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**COURSE CODE: SPB 9433**

**COURSE TITLE: ELECTRODYNAMICS**

**EXAM VENUE: STREAM: EDUCATION SCIENCE**

**DATE: EXAM SESSION:**

**TIME: 3:00HRS**

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Answer question one (1) (Compulsory) in Section A and ANY other two (2) questions in Section B.**
  - 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
  - 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**
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## Take

- $m_p = 1.673 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
- $m_n = 1.675 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
- $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
- charge on a proton:  $q_p = +e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
- charge on an electron:  $q_e = -e = -1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
- charge is quantized:  $q = \pm ne \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- Permittivity of free space,  $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ Fm}^{-1}$

### QUESTION 1 (30 MARKS)

- a. Define the term Electric Dipole [2mks]
- b. Show that the divergence theorem converts the surface integral in to volume integral [4mks]
- b. The average intensity of direct sunlight is around 1600 W/m<sup>2</sup>. What is the average force on a fully absorbing surface of area 2.00 m<sup>2</sup>? [4mks]
- c. State and prove the **First Uniqueness Theorem** [4mks]
- d.
- i. Define Lorentz force [2mks]
- ii. Show that Lorentz force is given by  $\underline{F} = \underline{F}_e + \underline{F}_m = q(\underline{E} + \underline{v} \times \underline{B})$  [6mks]
- e. Use the Ampere-Maxwell law to find the magnetic field between the circular plates of a parallel plate capacitor of radius R. Ignore the fringing field) [4mks]
- f. State and prove the boundary conditions of electrostatics at the interface of dielectric [4mks]

## QUESTION 2 (20 MARKS)

- a. In an electromagnetic wave, the electric field of amplitude 1.6 V/m oscillates with a frequency of  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  Hz . Calculate the energy density of the wave [4mks]
- b. Define the intensity of an EM wave and by defining all the terms, show that it is given as  $I = C\epsilon_0 E_m^2$  [6mks]
- c. How do the total intensity of an EM wave in a) above differ from the average intensity? Give its expression [6mks]
- d. A signal received from a radio station has station has  $E_m = 0.0240$  V/m. What is the average intensity at that point? [4mks]

## QUESTION 3 (20 MARKS)

- a. Derive the Maxwell's equations for electromagnetic waves travelling in a medium [4mks]
- b. Derive the expression between the permittivity of free space, the permeability of free space and the velocity of an electromagnetic wave [4mks]
- c. The electric field of an electromagnetic wave in a vacuum is given by;

$$\begin{cases} E_x = 0 \\ E_y = 0 \\ E_z = 24 \sin\left(5\pi \times 10^8 t + \frac{4\pi}{5}\right) \end{cases}$$

Where E is in V/m, t is in seconds and x in meters

Determine

- i. The frequency [4mks]
- ii. The wavelength [4mks]
- iii. The direction of the propagation of the wave [2mks]
- iv. The direction of the magnetic field [2mks]

### QUESTION 4 (20 MARKS)

- a. For the Stoke's Theorem, show that  $\oint_s \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l} = \oint_s \text{curl} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{s}$  [5mks]
- b. Derive an expression for electric field due to a dipole [5mks]
- c. Two concentric metal spherical shells, of radius a and b, respectively, are separated by weakly conducting material of conductivity  $\sigma$
- i. If they are maintained at a potential difference V, what current flows from one to the other? [5mks]
- ii. What is the resistance between the shells? [5mks]

### QUESTION 5 (15 MARKS)

- a. Define displacement current and give its expression [4mks]
- b. State and derive the four fundamental equations of electromagnetism in intergral form [10mks]
- c. The electrostatics and magnetostatics are described by the below Maxwell's equations in differential form

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho - \text{Gauss's Law}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 - \text{Gauss's Law}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} - \text{Faraday's Law}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} - \text{Ampere's Law}$$

By defining all the terms, show how Maxwell modified Ampere's law to  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 (\vec{J}_f + \vec{J}_b + \vec{J}_p) + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \mu_0 \left( \vec{J}_f + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{X} \vec{M} + \frac{\partial \vec{P}}{\partial t} \right) + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$  for charges in matter

[6mks]

