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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021**

(CBCSS)

Physics

PHY 1C 03—ELECTRODYNAMICS AND PLASMA PHYSICS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**General Instructions**

1. *In cases where choices are provided, students can attend all questions in each section.*
2. *The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.*
3. *The instruction if any, to attend a minimum number of questions from each sub section / sub part / sub division may be ignored.*
4. *There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.*

**Section A***(8 Short questions answerable within 7.5 minutes)**Answer all questions.**Each carry weightage 1.*

1. Explain the loss tangent of a medium. How do we define a good conductor in a time varying field?
2. Define reflection coefficient and transmission coefficient. Obtain the relation between them.
3. Explain the term skin depth. How does it vary with wavelength?
4. State the boundary conditions to be satisfied by  $H_z$  for TE waves in a rectangular waveguide.
5. Define the quality factor of a cavity resonator.
6. Express the field tensor in terms of four-vector potential.
7. What is meant by plasma frequency? Give the expression.
8. Explain the Krook collision term.

*(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)***Turn over**



## Section B

(4 essay questions answerable within 30 minutes)  
Answer any **two** questions.

Each carry weightage 5.

9. Derive the homogeneous electromagnetic wave equations in a source free region ?
10. Obtain the general transmission-line equations for arbitrary time dependence and for time-harmonic time dependence ?
11. Derive the general transformation rules for electromagnetic field.
12. Derive the fluid equation of motion in isotropic case.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

## Section C

(7 problems answerable within 15 minutes)

Answer any **four** questions.

Each carry weightage 3.

13. Obtain the boundary conditions between a lossless dielectric and a perfect conductor.
14. Prove that a uniform plane wave propagating in an arbitrary direction  $\hat{a}$ , is a TEM wave with perpendicular to H and that both E and H are normal to  $\hat{a}$ .
15. A narrow-band signal propagates in a lossy dielectric medium which has a loss tangent 0.12 at 5 kHz, the carrier frequency of the signal. The dielectric constant of the medium is 2. Calculate the phase and group velocity ?
16. A signal generator having an internal resistance  $1 \Omega$  and an open circuit voltage  $v(t) = 0.03 \cos(2\pi(10^6)t)$  is connected to a  $48 \Omega$  lossless transmission line. If the velocity of wave propagation on the line is  $10^8$  (m/s), find the instantaneous expressions for the voltage and current at an arbitrary location on the line. Find the average power transmitted to the load ?
17. Derive the continuity equation in tensor form.
18. Compute the Larmor radius for a solar proton streaming with velocity 240 km/s in a magnetic field of  $(5 \times 10^{-5})$  Tesla ? What does its value for a 1.1 keV  $\text{He}^+$  ion in the same field ?
19. Compute  $\lambda_D$  and  $N_D$  in a fusion reactor with capacity of ion concentration from  $10^{13}/\text{m}^3$  to  $10^{20}/\text{m}^3$  and at  $kT_e$  0.01 eV.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)