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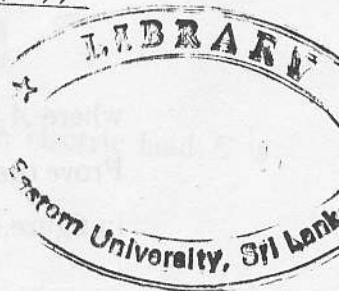
SECOND YEAR/SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

IN SCIENCE (2002/03 & 2002/03(A))

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MT 218 - FIELD THEORY

(REPEAT)



Answer all questions

Time: Two hours

1. State and prove Gauss's theorem.

- (a) Assuming that the total charge Q of an atomic nucleus is uniformly distributed within a sphere of radius ' a ', show that the potential at a distance r from the center ($r \leq a$) is ;

$$V = \left\{ 3 - \left(\frac{r}{a} \right)^2 \right\} \frac{Q}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a}$$

- (b) A charge q is uniformly distributed on a circle with equations $x^2 + z^2 = a^2$, $y = 0$. Show that the potential at a point $P(0, y, 0)$

is $\frac{q}{4\pi\epsilon_0\sqrt{a^2 + y^2}}$.

Prove also that the electric field at P is $\frac{qy\mathbf{j}}{4\pi\epsilon_0\sqrt{\{a^2 + y^2\}^3}}$

where \mathbf{j} is the unite vector along the Y axis.

2. Show by using separation of variable or otherwise, that the solution of the equation $\nabla^2 V = 0$, where V is the potential function in two dimensional rectangular co-ordinates is given by;

$$V = (A_1 \sinh \alpha x + A_2 \cosh \alpha x) (B_1 \sin \alpha y + B_2 \cos \alpha y)$$

where A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2 and α are arbitrary constants.

Prove that the potential distribution inside the rectangular region shown in figure, for the boundary conditions noted is given by;

$$V(x, y) = \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots,\infty} \frac{4V_0}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \frac{\sinh \frac{n\pi}{b}(a-x)}{\sinh \left(\frac{n\pi a}{b}\right)}$$

c - i $V = 0$ at $y = 0, y = b$ $0 \leq x \leq a$

c - ii $V = 0$ at $x = a$ $0 \leq y \leq b$

c - iii $V = V_0$ at $x = 0$ $0 \leq y \leq b$

$$\left(\text{Hint : } \int_0^b \sin \frac{n\pi y}{b} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} dy = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq m \\ \frac{b}{2} & \text{if } n = m, n \neq 0 \end{cases} \right)$$



3. (a) Define the term "electric dipole".

Prove that the electric potential V at a point P at a distance r from the dipole of moment \underline{P} is given by

$$V = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\{ \underline{P} \cdot \text{grad} \left(\frac{1}{r} \right) \right\}.$$

Hence prove that the force on a dipole in an electric field E is given by,

$$\underline{F} = (\underline{P} \cdot \nabla) \underline{E}$$

- (b) What is dielectric polarization ?

Show, with the usual notation that the potential due to a finite volume of dielectric is given by

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_s \frac{\underline{P} \cdot d\underline{s}}{r} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int_\tau \frac{-\text{div}\underline{P}}{r} d\tau$$

Interpret this result.

4. (a) Define the magnetic flux density \underline{B} and show that $\text{div}\underline{B} = 0$ in space.

By assuming the Ampere's law in integral form deduce the equation $\text{curl}\underline{B} = \mu_0 \underline{j}$ where \underline{j} is the current density.

- (b) Define the magnetic field strength \underline{H} in a magnetizable media and show that $\text{curl}\underline{H} = \underline{j}$.

If no currents are present and the magnetization is linearly proportional to \underline{H} , show that there exists a function ϕ such that $\nabla^2\phi = 0$.

(c) Prove that the magnetic field at a distance d from an infinitely long straight wire which carries current I , is given by $\frac{\mu_0}{2\pi} \left(\frac{I}{d} \right)$
 Where μ_0 is the magnetic permeability of vacuum.