

Electrodynamics, Physics 322
Winter 2005

Final exam
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You have 120 minutes. End on the buzzer at 10.20. Answer all questions.

Write your name on every page and your ID on the first page.

Write all your working on these question sheets. Use this cover page for extra working (you might get credit for it.)

It is important to show your calculation or derivation. You won't get full marks just for stating the correct answer if you don't show how you get it.

Watch the blackboard for corrections or clarifications during the exam.

This is a **closed book** exam. **No notes allowed. No calculators!**

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energy density in monochromatic plane wave: $\langle u_{em} \rangle = \frac{\epsilon_0 E_0^2}{2}$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r A_r) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} A_\phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} A_z$$



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I. Maxwells and monopoles

1. [15] State Maxwell's equations.

2. [10] Show that Maxwell's equations guarantee conservation of electric charge.

3. [10] A magnetic monopole at point \mathbf{r}_1 has charge q_m , such that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 q_m \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_1)$. Find the total magnetic flux through a surface surrounding the monopole ("zero because they don't exist" is not a valid answer.)

4. [10] A ring of copper wire of resistance R is located near the origin. A magnetic monopole comes from somewhere far away, passes through the ring, and continues on its journey to somewhere else far away. Calculate the charge that flows around the ring during the transit of the monopole.

5. [5] What happens if instead the ring is superconducting, so that $R = 0$?

II. Plane waves.

6. [10] Show from Maxwell's equations that the electric and magnetic fields in free space obey a wave equation and deduce the wave speed c in terms of ϵ_0 and μ_0 .

7. [5] Show that ∇ can be replaced by $i\mathbf{k}$ when dealing with a monochromatic plane wave (MCPW) of wavevector \mathbf{k} in complex notation.

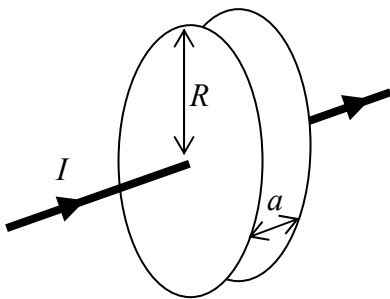
8. [10] Consider an MCPW whose electric field is given by $\mathbf{E} = \text{Re}\{E_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} \exp i(kz - \omega t)\}$. Using one of Maxwell's equations, find the magnetic field \mathbf{B} of the wave.

9. [15] Show that the \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} fields of this wave satisfy all the remaining Maxwell equations.

10. [10] A single mode in a laser cavity is a standing wave with electric field $\mathbf{E} = E_0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} e^{-i\omega t} \sin kz$. Find the pressure exerted on the laser mirrors.

III. A circular parallel-plate capacitor is connected in series with two thin straight wires as shown. The radius of the plates is R , and their separation is $a \ll R$, so that fringing effects and the electric field outside the capacitor may be neglected. A current I is passed along the wires, which lie along the z -axis.

11. [25] Find the electric and magnetic fields in the gap, as a function of the distance r ($< R$) from the axis and at time t . (Assume the charge Q is spread uniformly over the plates and is zero at $t = 0$.)



12. [10] Find the energy density u_{em} and the Poynting vector \mathbf{S} in the gap.
13. [10] Show from these that energy is conserved locally in the fields.
14. [10] Determine the total energy of the fields in the gap, as a function of time.
15. [15] Show that the total power flowing into the gap through an appropriately chosen surface is equal to the rate of increase of energy stored in the gap.

16. [5] Find the total momentum contained in the fields in the gap.

II. A paramagnetic ($\chi > 0$) metallic sphere with a net positive charge $+Q$ is moving past the end of a solenoid carrying current I , as sketched below.

17. [25] What electromagnetic forces act on the sphere, and in what directions do they each act? For each, indicate the relevant principle(s) and equations.

