

M.Sc. 2nd Semester Examination, 2012

PHYSICS

PAPER—PHS-203 (A + B)

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

Use separate scripts for Gr. -A & B

GROUP – A

[Marks : 20]

Answer all questions

1. Answer any five questions from the following : 2 × 5

(a) Write and discuss essential quantities which are used to describe the characteristics of plasma.

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- (b) Explain with schematic diagram the experimental aspect of linear pinch effect.
- (c) What are the advantages of r.f. probe method over double probe method.
- (d) Compare bremsstrahlung radiation loss with that due to cyclotron radiation loss.
- (e) Indicate the origin of the plasma instabilities and mention their types.
- (f) Diagrammatically explain :

KINK and SAUSAGE instability in a plasma.

- (g) Mentioning the conditions for quasi-equilibrium pinch, express and discuss Bennett's pinch relation.
- (h) Discuss the term "plasma 'propulsion system'".

2. Answer any *one* bit :

- (a) Deduce the dispersion relation in plasma medium and show that when wavelength is large the oscillations propagate as sound waves.

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- (b) What is thermo nuclear fusion reaction ? Discuss cylindrical configuration for a hypothetical controlled fusion reactor. For fusion plasma let $n = 10^{16}/\text{cm}^3$ at temperature 10 KeV. Find debye length. What are the essential elements for MHD generator ? 2 + 4 + 2 + 2

GROUP – B

[Marks : 20]

Answer all questions

1. Answer any five bits : 2 × 5

- (a) Prove that

$$\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\vec{V} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

for a uniform magnetic field.

- (b) Show that field vectors are gauge invariant.

- (c) Show that in a good conductor \vec{H} lags behind \vec{E} by $\pi/4$.

- (d) What is the ratio of the skin depth in copper at 1 kHz to that at 100 MHz.
- (e) Show that electric charge is invariant under L. while the charge density is variant.
- (f) Show that frequency of an electromagnetic wave remains unchanged by reflection and refraction.
- (g) Using equation of continuity and Ohm's law show that charge resides on the surface of a good conductor.
- (h) Find the expression for transverse current density, when vector field potential $\vec{A} = \hat{i}x^4 + \hat{k}z^2t^2$.

2. Answer any *one* of the following :

- (a) Derive the expression of total power radiated by an accelerated charge particle at high velocity. Discuss the result with example when velocity and acceleration of the particle are perpendicular to each other.

(b) (i) Lienard radiation formula is,

$$P = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{2e^2}{3c} \gamma^6 \left\{ \dot{\beta}^2 - \left(\vec{\beta} \times \dot{\vec{\beta}} \right)^2 \right\}$$

where notations have their usual meanings, using this, find expressions for radiated power for 'bremsstrahlung'.

(ii) The intensity of X-rays scattered by an electron at a distance from it and making an angle ϕ with the original direction is given by

$$I_e = \left[\frac{e^2}{4\pi \epsilon_0 mc^2} \right]^2 \cdot \frac{I \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos^2 \phi)}{r^2}$$

where I = incident intensity.

using this equation, calculate intensity of scattered radiation I_s in terms of I_e for an electron (A) when they scatter independently; (B) when all of them act as a scattering centre.

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