

Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani
First Semester 2023-2024 (Comprehensive Examination)
ECE F314: Electromagnetic Field & Microwave Engineering
Part-A (Closed Book)

Duration: 90 minutes

Total Marks: 50

Note to Students:

Please write the answers in the answer sheet provided with proper units and signs. Marks will be deducted for improper signs and units.

1. On the **Smith chart**, the distance between **normalized input impedance** and its **inverted impedance** is [1]
2. If the **spacing for the antenna array** element increases, the **directivity** will (increase/decrease/no effect). [1]
3. The numerical values for **S₂₄** and **S₃₁** elements of **Directional-coupler's** S-matrix are and, respectively. [2]
4. In an **8-cavity** cylindrical magnetron, the number of spokes generated for **π mode** and **π/2** modes are and, respectively. [2]
5. A transmission line has a characteristic impedance of **60 Ω**. It is terminated in a purely resistive load. The minimum and maximum voltage upon it is **6 and 9 μV**, respectively. Calculate the value of load impedance. [2]
6. Can the **reflected and transmitted E field** be greater than the incident E field on the media interface? Give your answer with a valid explanation. [2]
7. Write **Maxwell's equation derived from Ampere's Circuital Law** (differential and integral form) in a **lossless/non-conducting medium** for time-varying fields. [2]
8. A **10 GHz** aircraft uses a narrow beam scanning antenna mounted behind a dielectric radome. Assuming that the random shape is planar over the narrow extent of the radar beam, find its thickness such that the **radome appears to be transparent** to the radar beam. Given that the radome is made of a **lossless dielectric material with μ_r =1 and ε_r =4**. The mechanical integrity requires the radome thickness to be **greater than 1 inch**. [2]
9. One night, a **red LED** is dropped into a freshwater lake containing water with a refractive index of **1.33**. A cameraman from a boat directly above the LED wants to take a few photographs from the air. If the light coming out of the **LED is TM polarized**, is there any angle **θ** for which almost all light from the LED emitted at that angle reaches the camera? [2]
10. Describe **completely the nature of the polarization** of the waves. [2]
 - a) $\vec{E} = \hat{a}_x E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t) - \hat{a}_y E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t)$
 - b) $\vec{E} = \hat{a}_x E_0 \cos(kz - \omega t) + \hat{a}_y E_0 \cos\left(kz - \omega t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
11. In a **parallel plate waveguide**, the electromagnetic energy travels through the multiple reflections of the plane wave. One such waveguide with a width of **50 cm** supports the EM waves at **1GHz**. At what angles does the plane wave have sustained propagations? [2]

12. A tunnel is modeled as an **air-filled metallic rectangular waveguide** with dimensions **a = 8m** and **b = 16 m**. Determine whether the tunnel will pass (a) a **1.5MHz AM broadcast signal** and (b) a **120 MHz FM broadcast signal**. [2]
13. A GaAs Gunn diode has an active **region of 5 μm**. If the electron drift velocity is **0.5 X 10⁵ m/s**, calculate the **natural frequency and threshold voltage** if the critical electric field is **3kV/cm**. [2]
14. The **effective area of** a parabolic dish antenna is approximately **equal to its physical aperture**. If the directivity of a dish antenna is **30 dB at 3 GHz**, its **effective area** is [2]
15. The power radiated by a lossless antenna is **10 watts**. The directional characteristics of the antenna are represented by the radiation intensity of;

$$P(\theta, \Phi) = B_0 \cos^2 \theta \text{ where } 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ and } 0 \leq \Phi \leq 2\pi$$

The value of **B₀** is [2]

16. Find the **angular frequency** of the cylindrical magnetron, which has a magnetic flux density of **0.34 Wb/m²** and **inner and outer radius of 0.15m and 0.45m**, respectively. [2]
17. A resonator needs to be designed for the resonance frequency of **20 GHz** for **TE₁₀₁** mode. The resonator is formed by the segment of a rectangular waveguide with dimensions **20 mm** and **b = 10mm**. The resonator is filled with a medium of **dielectric constant = 4**. [3]
18. Write down the **S matrix for magic Tee**, assuming **Port 1 and Port 2** represent the **E and H** arms, respectively. [3]
19. Write an expression in Cartesian coordinates for a harmonic plane wave of **amplitude A** and **angular frequency ω** propagating in free space in the direction of vector **k**, which in turn lies on a **line drawn from the origin to a point (4,2,1)**. [3]
20. The **magnetic field** associated with a uniform EM wave in free space is given by

$$\vec{H} = \hat{a}_y H_0 \cos(6\pi * 10^7 t - 0.2\pi z)$$

Find the **time-average power flow** across a surface of **area 1m²** in the **z = 0 plane**. [3]

21. Below is the **S matrix** for an **ideal 2 port Isolator** and a **lossy transmission line**, respectively. What are the values of **p, q, r, s** and **t, u, v** and **w**? [4]

$$S_{\text{isolator}} = \begin{bmatrix} p & q \\ r & s \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_{\text{trans-line}} = \begin{bmatrix} t & u \\ v & w \end{bmatrix}$$

22. A **two-cavity Klystron amplifier** has the following parameters:
 DC voltage for acceleration of electron = **1000 V**, **f = 3GHz**, **gap spacing in either cavity = 1mm**, and **spacing between the two cavities = 4cm**. Calculate the **transit angle in the gap** and between the **cavities**. [4]

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1. A uniform plane wave of frequency **50 MHz** is propagating in a material medium, and it is found that the waves get attenuated by a factor of **1/e** after propagating through a distance of **28.65 m** in the medium. It is also found that the field undergoes a phase change of **2π** after propagating through a distance of **111.2 m**. The ratio of the amplitudes of electric to magnetic field at a point in the medium is **59.4**. Find the **complex propagation constant, complex intrinsic impedance, conductivity, permittivity, and permeability** of the medium. [5]

2. A uniform plane wave having an electric field

$$\vec{E}_{inc} = E_0(\mathbf{a}_x - \mathbf{a}_z)\cos[6\pi * 10^8 t - \sqrt{2}\pi(x + z)]$$

Is incident on the interface between free space and a dielectric medium at an angle of incidence of **45°** with $\epsilon=1.5 \epsilon_0$ and $\mu=\mu_0$. Find the magnitude and complete expression for the transmitted wave. [6]

3. An air-filled **a x b (a=2.5b)** rectangular waveguide to be constructed to operate at **3 GHz** in the dominant mode. We desire the frequency to be at least **20%** higher than the operating frequency of the dominant mode and also at least **20%** lower than the next higher-order mode. [6]

a) Give the typical design for dimensions **a and b**.

b) Calculate **phase constant, phase velocity, and guide wavelength** at the operating frequency.

4. A rectangular waveguide with dimensions **a = 4 cm and b = 2 cm** is filled with air and operates at **18GHz**. The electric field inside the waveguide is characterized by

$$\vec{E}_z = 20 \sin(50\pi x) \sin(100\pi y) e^{-j\beta z}$$

What **mode** is propagating inside the waveguide? Find its **cut-off frequency and phase velocity**. Draw the **field pattern** for the propagating mode in the waveguide. [7]

5. Consider a transmission line of characteristic impedance **Z₀ = 50Ω** terminated by a load impedance **Z_L = 30-j40 Ω**. It is desired to solve the double stub (short-circuited) matching problem using the Smith chart, assuming the **Z₀** for both stubs to be **50 Ω**. The first stub is to be located at the load, and the distance between both stubs is equal to **3λ/8**. [8]

6. The maximum radar cross-section of a resonant linear **λ/2 dipole** is approximately **0.85λ²**. For a monostatic system (i.e., transmitter and receiver at the same location), find the **received power (in W)** if the transmitted power is **100 W**, the distance of the dipole from the transmitting and receiving antennas is **100 m**, the gain of the transmitting and receiving antennas is **15 dB** each, and the frequency of operation is **3 GHz**. Assume a polarization loss factor of **-1 dB**. [8]