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Electromagnetic Theory I

PART –I (Closed book)

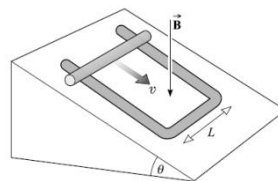
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Max Mark: 20×3 = 60M

Q1. Q1. A point charge q and mass m is released from rest at a distance of $4R$ from the center of a conducting sphere of radius R , which is grounded to the earth by a wire. [Assume the sphere is static and ignore gravity]

- (a) What is the magnitude and direction of the force on the point charge?
- (b) What is the kinetic energy of the point charge when it reaches a distance $2R$ from the center of the sphere?
- (c) How much charge flows through the wire when the point charge reaches $2R$?
- (d) What is the energy gain or loss when it reaches $2R$?

[15M]



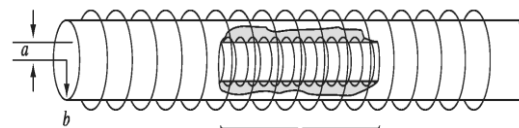
Q2. A metal bar of length L , mass M and resistance R slide without friction of a rectangular circuit composed of resistance wires on a inclined plane. There is a uniform vertical magnetic field \mathbf{B} . Find the terminal velocity of the bar (*i.e.*, the constant velocity it attains).

[15M]

Q3. (a) Two long coaxial solenoids each carry current I , in opposite directions as shown in the figure. The inner solenoid (radius a) has n_1 turns per unit length, and the outer one (radius b) has n_2 . Find \mathbf{B} in: (i) inside the inner solenoid, (ii) between them, and (iii) outside both.



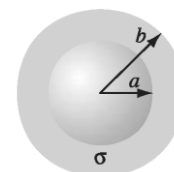
(b) A short solenoid (length l and radius a , with n_1 turns per unit length) lies on the axis of a very long solenoid (radius b , n_2 turns per unit length) as shown in Fig. Current I flows in the short solenoid. What is the flux ϕ through the long solenoid?



[10+10=20M]

Q4. Two concentric metal spherical shells of radii a and b , respectively, are separated by weakly conducting material of conductivity σ . What is the resistance between the shells?

[10M]



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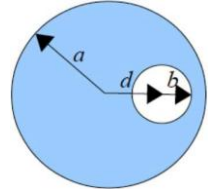
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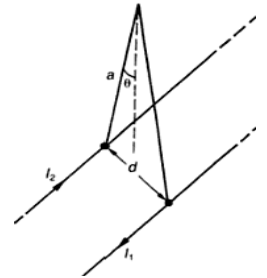
Q1. (a) A cylindrical conductor of radius a has a hole of radius b bored parallel to, and centered a distance d from, the cylinder axis ($d + b < a$). The figure is showing the top view of the cylinder. The current density J_0 is uniform throughout the remaining metal of the cylinder and is parallel to the axis. Use Ampere's law to find the magnitude and direction of the magnetic-flux density in the hole.

[16M]

(Hint: Assume uniform current density J_0 is flowing everywhere in the cylinder plus a uniform current density J_0 flowing in the negative z direction in the hole region. This method is called "superposition" method.)



Q2. Two long parallel conducting wires carry currents $I_1 = 1 A$ and $I_2 = 2 A$ in opposite directions. They hang horizontally from pylon by pairs of insulating cables, each of length $a = 1 m$, and are a distance d ($\ll a$) apart. The wires have mass m per unit length and the cable makes an angle θ to the vertical (see figure).



(a) Find the angle θ between the pylon and wire. [Assume $\tan\theta = \sin\theta$ as $d \ll a$]

(b) Calculate the magnetic field \mathbf{B} at a point midway between the wires.

[10+6= 16M]

Q3. (a) A square loop of side $a = 1 cm$ is placed at a distance $d = 5 cm$ from a thin and long wire carrying a current $I = 5A$. Calculate the mutual inductance of the system.

(b) Consider a magnetic field given by $\mathbf{B} = B_0(t) (\mathbf{k})$ for $s < a$ and $\mathbf{B} = 0$ for $s > a$. Calculate the induced electric field \mathbf{E} for both (i) $s < a$ and (ii) $s > a$.

(c) If the vector potential is given as $\mathbf{A} = A_0 r \sin\theta \phi$, find the volume current density \mathbf{J}

[9+10+9= 28M]