

---

## Problem Set-5

PH11001 (Spring 2019-20)

*Electrodynamics, Electromagnetic waves.*

February 10, 2020

### 1. Flux through a given surface

- (a) Consider a tiny (point) dipole sitting at the origin, pointing towards the  $z$  axis. Consider the distance between the positive and negative charge  $d \ll 1$  units. The dipole moment of the dipole is given by  $\vec{p} = p\hat{k}$ . Its Electric field is given by

$$\vec{E}(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{3(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{r})\hat{r}}{r^3} - \frac{\vec{p}}{r^3} \right)$$

Find the flux of this electric field through the *hemisphere* given by  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ ,  $z \geq 0$ .

- (b) Consider spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ , which has the usual relation with cartesian coordinates  $(x, y, z)$ . Also  $(\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k})$  are unit vectors along  $x, y$  and  $z$  respectively. Now the magnetic field in a region is given by

$$\vec{B}(r, \theta, \phi) = B_0 \left( -\sin \phi \hat{i} + \cos \phi \hat{j} \right),$$

where  $B_0$  is a constant. Calculate the flux of this magnetic field through the  $x = 0$  plane (in the positive  $x$ -direction).

### 2. Faraday's law

A current configuration creates a time-dependent electric and magnetic field given, in cylindrical polar coordinates, by (consider spherical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ )

$$\vec{B} = \frac{e^{-t}}{r} \hat{k}$$

Now consider a moving loop of wire  $C(t)$  in this electric and magnetic field. This loop is a circular loop and it lies in the  $z = 0$  plane with its center at the origin, and it has a time varying radius  $R(t) = 1 + t$ . Find the induced EMF in this loop. Clearly explain the origin(s) of this EMF in the loop.

### 3. Electromagnetic waves

The Electric and magnetic field in a region is given by

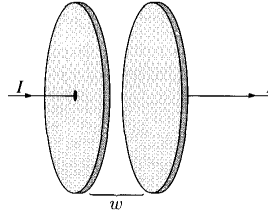
$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{i} \cos \left( \omega \left( t - \frac{z}{c} \right) \right), \quad \vec{B} = B_0 \hat{j} \cos \left( \omega \left( t - \frac{z}{c} \right) \right),$$

where  $E_0, B_0$  and  $\omega$  are constants and  $c$  is the speed of light in vacuum.

Calculate the divergence and curl of  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$  in the given region. From your answer, can you predict the charge density and current density in the given region?

#### 4. Poynting Vector

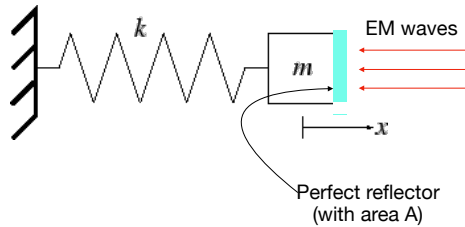
Consider a steady current  $I$  resulting in the charging of a circular parallel plate capacitor as shown below. The charge is zero at time  $t = 0$ , when the steady current starts flowing and a uniform surface charge density starts developing with the flow of the current. An external agency is responsible to maintain the steady current.



- Find the electric and magnetic fields in the gap, as a function of time. Ignore any edge effects (you can think of finding the electric and magnetic fields deep inside the gap away from the edges).
- Calculate the energy density and the Poynting vector inside the gap.

#### 5. Radiation pressure

Consider a situation as shown in the following figure. A perfect reflector is attached to the mass of a spring-mass system; a beam of plane electromagnetic waves is incident on the reflector and reflected away.



The beam of plane electromagnetic wave is incident on the mass  $m$  at time  $t=0$  and is kept on upto time  $t = \tau$ . At  $t = 0$ , the mass  $m$  is at rest and is located at the equilibrium position of the spring. The electric field in the beam of light is given by

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{k} \cos \left( \omega \left( t - \frac{x}{c} \right) \right)$$

Find the amplitude of oscillation after for time  $t > \tau$ .

Note that we should assume  $\omega \gg \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$  and the area  $A$  is big enough so that it can be considered as a macroscopic object where radiation pressure due to the beam can act.