



Q1. (a) Consider a vector  $\vec{A} = xy\hat{x} + 2yz\hat{y} + 3xz\hat{z}$ . Show that, for this vector  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0$ .  
You need to show all the steps clearly.

(b) Consider a circular disc of radius  $R$  with surface charge density  $\sigma = kr$ , where  $k$  is a constant and  $r$  is the radial distance. Calculate the total charge inside the disc.

(c) We have a  $+q$  charge placed at the origin. Now we bring another  $+2q$  charge at the point  $(1, 2, 0)$ . Calculate the electrostatic work done in the process.

3+2+2

Sol:  
(a)

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ xy & 2yz & 3xz \end{vmatrix} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ Mark}$$

$$= \hat{x} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(3xz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(2yz) \right] - \hat{y} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(3xz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy) \right] + \hat{z} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(2yz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy) \right]$$

$\rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$

$$= -2y\hat{x} - 3z\hat{y} - x\hat{z}$$

$\rightarrow 2 \text{ Marks}$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-2y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(-3z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(-x) = 0$$

$\rightarrow 3 \text{ Marks}$

(b)

$$\sigma = kr$$

$$Q = \int \sigma da = \int \sigma r dr d\phi \quad (\text{or}) \quad \int \sigma 2\pi r dr \rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$$

$$= k \int_0^R r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \quad (\text{or}) \quad 2\pi k \int_0^R r^2 dr$$

$$= 2\pi k \frac{r^3}{3} \Big|_0^R$$

$$Q = 2\pi k \frac{R^3}{3}$$

$\rightarrow 2 \text{ Marks.}$



(C)  $(0,0,0)$   $(1,2,0)$

$$r = \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (2-0)^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

→ 0.5 Mark.

Potential at  $(1,2,0)$  due to  $+q$  at the origin

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{\sqrt{5}}$$

→ 1 Mark

Work done to bring  $+2q$  charge to the point  $(1,2,0)$

$$W = V \cdot 2q$$

$$W = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2q^2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

→ 2 Marks



Q2. A long cylinder of radius  $R$ , carries a charge density  $\rho = \frac{k}{s}$ , where  $k$  is a constant and  $s$  is the distance from the axis. Using Gauss's law,  
(a) find the electric field inside the cylinder, and  
(b) find the electric field outside the cylinder.

4+3

Sol.

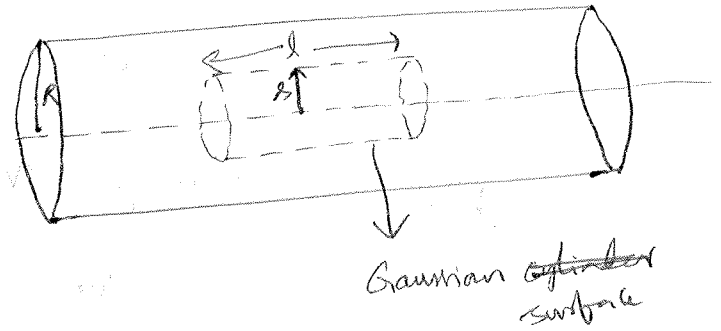
$$\rho = \frac{k}{s}$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{Q_{enc}}{\epsilon_0} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ Mark}$$

(a) Inside:  $Q_{enc} = \int \rho d\tau \rightarrow 1 \text{ mark}$

$$= k \int \frac{1}{s} ds d\phi dz$$

$$= k \int_0^R ds \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^l dz$$



$$\Rightarrow Q_{enc} = 2\pi k s l \rightarrow 1.5 \text{ mark}$$

$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} \rightarrow$  The edges of the Gaussian cylinder do not contribute to this integral.

$$\Rightarrow \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_S E da \rightarrow \vec{E} \text{ and } d\vec{a} \text{ are } \parallel \text{ on the Gaussian surface}$$

$$= E \int_S da$$

$E$  is constant on the Gaussian surface

$$= E 2\pi s l \rightarrow 3 \text{ Marks}$$

$$\Rightarrow E 2\pi s l = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} 2\pi k s l$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{k}{\epsilon_0} \hat{s}} \rightarrow 4 \text{ Marks}$$

(b) Outside:

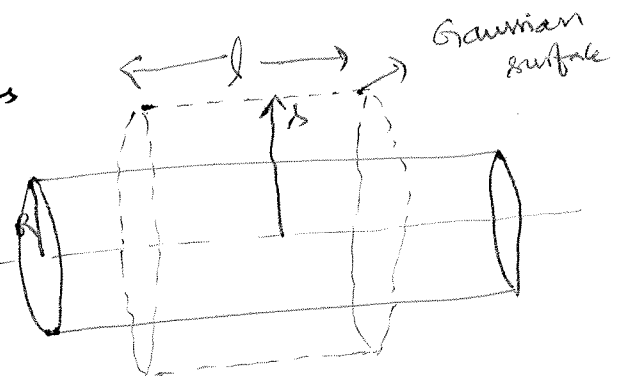
$$Q_{enc} = \int \rho d\tau = k \int_0^R \frac{1}{s} ds \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^l dz$$

$$= 2\pi k R l \rightarrow 1 \text{ mark}$$

$$\text{and } \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = E 2\pi s l$$

$$\Rightarrow E 2\pi s l = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} 2\pi k R l$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E} = \frac{k}{\epsilon_0} \frac{R}{s} \hat{s}} \rightarrow 3 \text{ Marks.}$$





Q3. (a) A magnetic dipole placed at the origin has magnetic dipole moment  $\vec{m} = m_0 \hat{z}$ . Calculate the vector potential due to this dipole at the point (1,1,0).

(b) Calculate the magnetic field that gives rise to the vector potential  $\vec{A} = y^2 \hat{x} - x^2 \hat{y}$ . Find out the corresponding current density  $\vec{J}$ .

(c) Consider an infinitely long solenoid with circular cross-section of radius  $R$  having  $n$  turns per unit length and carrying a current  $I$ . A cylindrical rod of radius  $a < R$  and made of a material of magnetic susceptibility  $\chi_m$  is placed coaxial within the solenoid. Calculate the auxiliary field ( $\vec{H}$ ) inside the rod using Ampere's law and from the result calculate the values of bound surface and volume current densities.

2+2+3

Sol:

(a)  $\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{m} \times \vec{r}}{r^3}$  or  $\vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m_0 \sin \theta}{r^2} \hat{z} \times \hat{r}$   
 $\Rightarrow \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m_0}{r^2} \hat{\phi} \quad \because \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m_0}{r^2} \hat{z} \times \hat{r}$   $\rightarrow$  0.5 mark  
 $\Rightarrow \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m_0}{r^2} \hat{\phi}$   $\rightarrow$  1 mark

$\Rightarrow \vec{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{m_0}{2} \hat{\phi}$   $\rightarrow$  2 marks

(b)  $\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A}$  and  $\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$   
 $\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ y^2 & -x^2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{x}(0-0) - \hat{y}(0-0) + \hat{z}(-2x-2y)$   
 $= (-2x-2y) \hat{z}$   $\rightarrow$  1 mark

$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 0 & 0 & (-2x-2y) \end{vmatrix} = \hat{x}(-2) - \hat{y}(-2) + \hat{z}(0)$   
 $= -2\hat{x} + 2\hat{y}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{J} = \frac{2}{\mu_0} (-\hat{x} + \hat{y})$   $\rightarrow$  2 marks



$$(c) \oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = I_{\text{enc}} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ mark}$$

$$\Rightarrow Hl = nI$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{H} = nI \hat{z}} \rightarrow 1 \text{ mark}$$

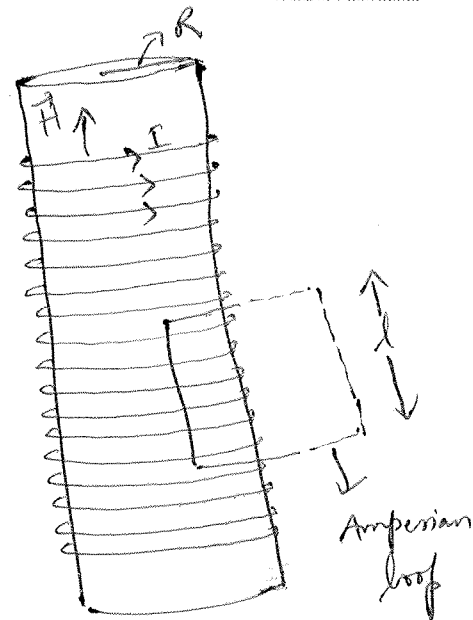
$$\vec{M} = \chi_m \vec{H}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{M} = \chi_m nI \hat{z}} \rightarrow 2 \text{ marks}$$

$$\vec{J}_b = \nabla \times \vec{M} = 0 \quad [\because \vec{M} \text{ is constant}] \rightarrow 2.5 \text{ marks}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{K}_b &= \vec{M} \times \hat{n} = \chi_m nI \hat{z} \times \hat{s} \\ &= \chi_m nI \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 3 \text{ marks.}$



$\hat{s} \rightarrow$  unit vector along radial direction  
or  
 $\hat{\phi}$



Q4: A thick and long cylindrical wire of radius  $R$  is carrying a current with volume current density  $\vec{J} = J_0(1 - \frac{s}{R})\hat{z}$ , where  $s$  is the distance from the axis of the cylinder and  $J_0$  is a constant.

- (a) Find the total current inside the whole cylindrical wire.  
 (b) Calculate the magnetic field outside the cylinder at a distance  $s$  from the axis of the cylinder ( $s > R$ ).  
 (c) Using the differential form of Ampere's law, find out the value of  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}$  at a point on the axis of the wire.

3+2+2

Sol:

(a)

$$I = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ mark}$$

$$= J_0 \int \left(1 - \frac{s}{R}\right) s ds d\phi \quad \text{or} \quad J_0 \int \left(1 - \frac{s}{R}\right) 2\pi s ds \rightarrow 1 \text{ mark}$$

$$= J_0 \int_0^R \left(1 - \frac{s}{R}\right) ds \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$

$$= 2\pi J_0 \left( \frac{s^2}{2} - \frac{s^3}{3R} \right) \Big|_0^R$$

$$I = 2\pi J_0 \left( \frac{R^2}{2} - \frac{R^3}{3R} \right)$$

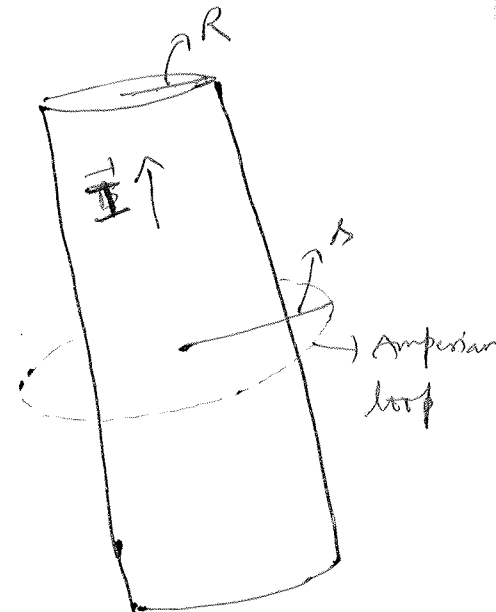
$\rightarrow 3 \text{ marks}$

$$\Rightarrow I = 2\pi J_0 \frac{R^2}{6} = \frac{\pi}{3} J_0 R^2$$

(b)  $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_0 I_{enc} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ mark}$

$$\Rightarrow B 2\pi s = \mu_0 \frac{\pi}{3} J_0 R^2 \rightarrow 1 \text{ mark}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0 J_0 R^2}{6s} \hat{\phi} \rightarrow 2 \text{ marks}$$



(c)  $\vec{J} = J_0 \left(1 - \frac{s}{R}\right) \hat{z}$

on the axis of the wire  $s=0 \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ marks}$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J} = J_0 \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} = \mu_0 J_0 \hat{z} \rightarrow 2 \text{ marks.}$$



Q5: Consider a thick spherical shell made of a linear dielectric material with inner radius  $R_1$  and outer radius  $R_2$ . In the region  $R_1 < r < R_2$ , the displacement vector is given by  $\vec{D} = \frac{2}{r^2} \hat{r}$ .

(a) Find out the free charge density inside the shell.

(b) If the dielectric constant of the materials is 2, find the permittivity of the material and electric field  $\vec{E}$  inside the shell?

(c) Consider a point charge  $Q$  placed at the center of a solid dielectric sphere of radius  $R$  and dielectric constant  $K$ . Obtain the bound surface charge density on the surface of the sphere.

2+2+3

Sol:

(a)  $\vec{D} = \frac{2}{r^2} \hat{r}$

$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{D} = \rho_f \rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{r^2} \hat{r} \right) = \rho_f$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{0 = \rho_f} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Marks}$

(b)  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$  and dielectric constant  $\epsilon_r = 2$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon = 2\epsilon_0 \rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$

$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0} \frac{2}{r^2} \hat{r} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$

$(R_1 < r < R_2) \rightarrow 2 \text{ Marks}$

$r < R_1$   
 $\vec{E} = 0 = \vec{D}$  (No free charge enclosed)  
(\* Both should be considered an correct answer.)

$\vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_r} \vec{E}_{vac} = \frac{1}{K} \vec{E}_{vac} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ Mark}$

(c)  $\oint \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{r} = Q_{fenc} \rightarrow 0.5 \text{ Mark}$

$\Rightarrow D 4\pi r^2 = Q$

$\Rightarrow \vec{D} = \frac{Q}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r}$

and  $\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{D}}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_r} \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$

$\Rightarrow \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi \epsilon} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \mid \text{Here } \epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_r$   
 $\epsilon_r = K$   
 $\rightarrow 1 \text{ Mark}$

$\vec{P} = \epsilon_0 \chi_e \vec{E} = \epsilon_0 (K-1) \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon r^2} \hat{r} = \epsilon_0 (K-1) \frac{Q}{4\pi \epsilon_0 K} \frac{\hat{r}}{r^2}$

$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{(K-1)}{K} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Marks}$

$\sigma_b = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{n} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{(K-1)}{K} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} \Big|_{r=R}$

$= \boxed{\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{(K-1)}{K} \frac{Q}{R^2}}$

$\rightarrow 3 \text{ Marks}$