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EXAMINATION FOR
(Semester II : 2018/2010)

EE5801 – ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This paper contains **FOUR (4)** questions and comprises **NINE (9)** printed pages including this cover page.
2. Candidates are required to answer all **FOUR (4)** questions.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. This is a **CLOSED BOOK** examination with authorized materials only. Allowed to bring in one A4 size help sheet.”
5. Take:
 $\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$
 $\epsilon_0 = 8.852 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$
 $c : \text{velocity of light} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
 $\eta_0 : \text{free space intrinsic impedance} = 120\pi \ \Omega$
 $k = \text{Boltzmann's constant} = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$
6. Smith Charts are available on request.
7. All symbols not specifically defined in this examination paper carry their normally accepted meanings.

	Any Medium	Lossless Medium ($\sigma = 0$)	Low-loss Medium ($\epsilon''/\epsilon' \ll 1$)	Good Conductor ($\epsilon''/\epsilon' \gg 1$)	Units
$\alpha =$	$\omega \left[\frac{\mu\epsilon'}{2} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'}\right)^2} - 1 \right] \right]^{1/2}$	0	$\frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}}$	$\sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma}$	(Np/m)
$\beta =$	$\omega \left[\frac{\mu\epsilon'}{2} \left[\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'}\right)^2} + 1 \right] \right]^{1/2}$	$\omega \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$	$\omega \sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$	$\sqrt{\pi f \mu \sigma}$	(rad/m)
$\eta_c =$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon'}} \left(1 - j \frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'} \right)^{-1/2}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}}$	$(1 + j) \frac{\alpha}{\sigma}$	(Ω)
$u_p =$	ω/β	$1/\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$	$1/\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}$	$\sqrt{4\pi f/\mu\sigma}$	(m/s)
$\lambda =$	$2\pi/\beta = u_p/f$	u_p/f	u_p/f	u_p/f	(m)
Notes: $\epsilon' = \epsilon$; $\epsilon'' = \sigma/\omega$; in free space, $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$, $\mu = \mu_0$; in practice, a material is considered a low-loss medium if $\epsilon''/\epsilon' = \sigma/\omega\epsilon < 0.01$ and a good conducting medium if $\epsilon''/\epsilon' > 100$.					

- Q.1** (a) Discuss the respective merits and demerits of the three cable trays shown in Figs. Q1.1 – Q1.3. (10 marks)



Fig. Q1.1

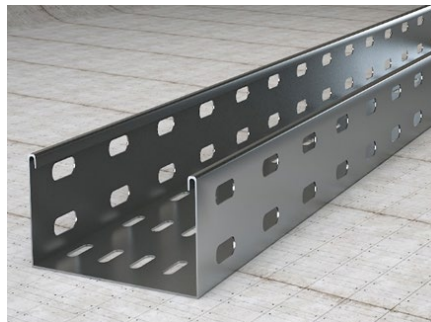


Fig. Q1.2



Fig. Q1.3

- (b) An airport Long Range Radar (LORAD) operating at 3 GHz carrier frequency is transmitting at 100 W via a 30 dB antenna. The transmitted square-wave modulated pulse has a pulse width of 1 μ s and Pulse Repetition Frequency (PRF) of 1 kHz. The antenna is revolving at a rate of 2 revolutions per second. What is the peak electric field due to this transmission at a distance of 1 km away?

(5 marks)

Explain why this peak electric field could not be measured using a field strength meter (Fig. Q1.4).

(5 marks)



Fig. Q1.4 Field strength meter

Explain why is this measurement also could not be easily accomplished with a spectrum analyzer (Fig. Q1.5).

(5 marks)



Fig. Q1.5 Spectrum analyzer

- Q.2**
- (a) Explain why grounding strip is better than grounding wire. Furthermore, why should grounding strip be as short as practicable?
(5 marks)
- (b) A switchgear is rated to switch 20kA within 50ms. If the circuit has a ground inductance of 5mH, what would be the value of the ground surge it generates?
(5 marks)
- (c) An antenna is transmitting 100W of power at 150MHz. The antenna gain is 15dB. What would be the peak electric field strength at a distance of 1km away from the antenna? Is it easy to estimate the peak electric strength at a distance of 1m away from the antenna? If so, what is the value? If not, explain why.
(5 marks)
- (d) What is the lowest resonant frequency of a metallic box having dimensions 2m x 1m x 3m?
(5 marks)
- (e) A rectangular hole of dimensions 0.5m x 0.1m is needed on a solid metallic shield box for ventilation purposes. Assuming that the box wall has thickness of 10mm, find the degradation in shielding efficiency due to the rectangular hole at 1GHz.
(5 marks)

- Q.3** (a) For a 25kV, 60Hz, 500A electric railway system, estimate the maximum distance between ground points such that the maximum voltage induced on a 2m height metal fence situated at 5m away from the traction current (Fig. Q3.1) is less than 200V.

(10 marks)

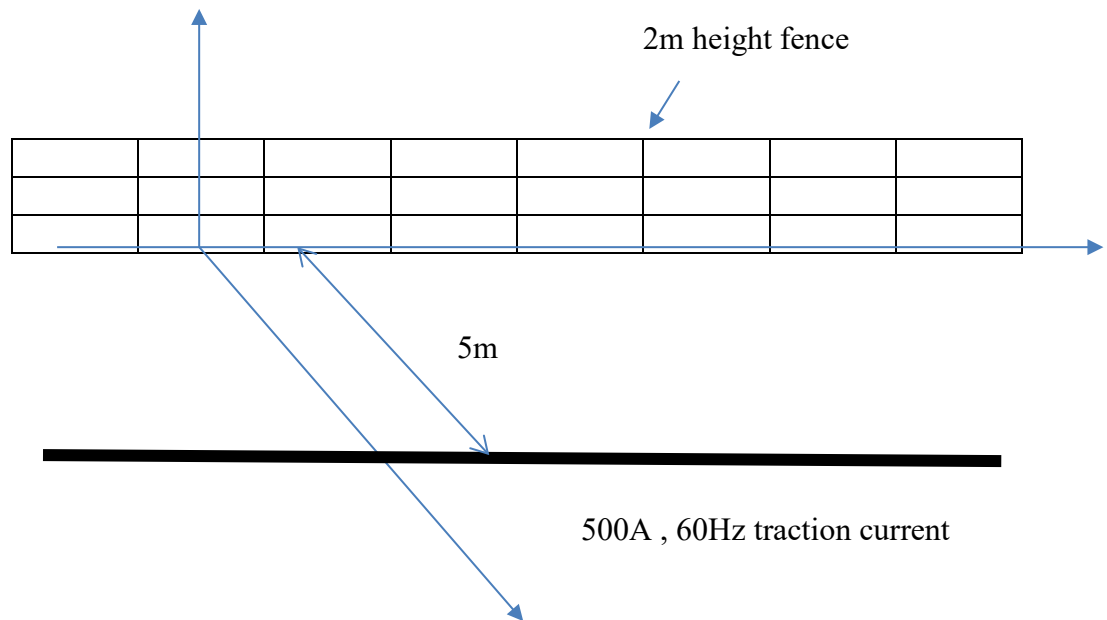


Fig. Q3.1

- (b) Find the capacitive couplings between a pair of power cable and a pair of unshielded untwisted signal cable separated at a distance of 5cm. The parameters and equations are given below. The length of cable run is 5km. You may also make use of information given in Fig. Q3.2. State all assumptions made.

(10 marks)

Power cable:
 Frequency: 50Hz
 Rating: 1kVA, 400V
 Source impedance = 40ohm
 Load impedance = 40ohm
 Radius of each wire = 2mm
 Separation between wires = 20mm

Signalling cable:
 Source impedance = 75ohm
 Load impedance = 600ohm
 Radius of each wire = 0.5mm
 Separation between wires = 5mm

Capacitive coupling:

$$V_v = V_c \frac{Z_v}{\frac{1}{j\omega C_{cv}\ell} + Z_v}, \quad \frac{1}{Z_v} = \frac{1}{Z_{v1}} + j\omega C_v \ell + \frac{1}{Z_{v2}}$$

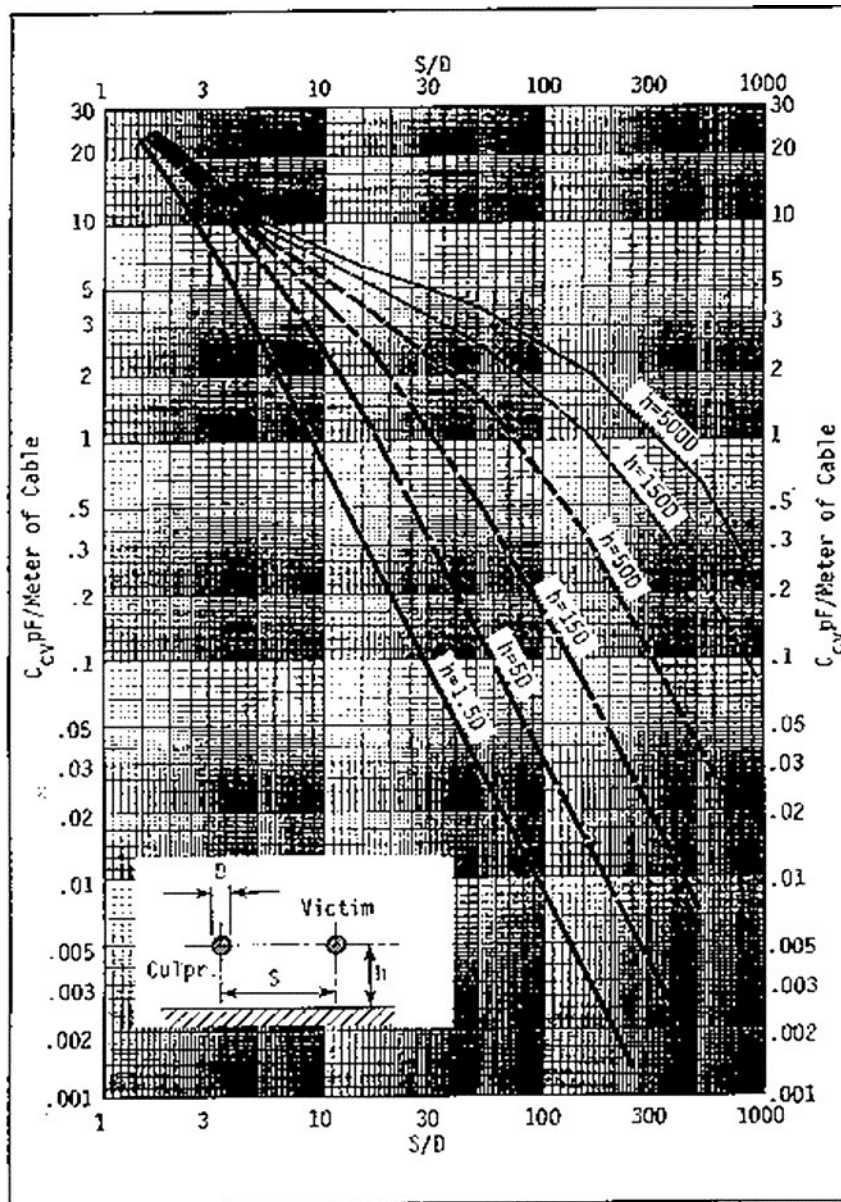


Fig. Q3.2

If the signaling circuit is operating on TTL (Fig. Q3.3), is the current cable arrangement acceptable? Assuming that the culprit voltage may rise when there is a lightning ground surge, what would be the maximum culprit voltage the circuit can tolerate?

(5 marks)

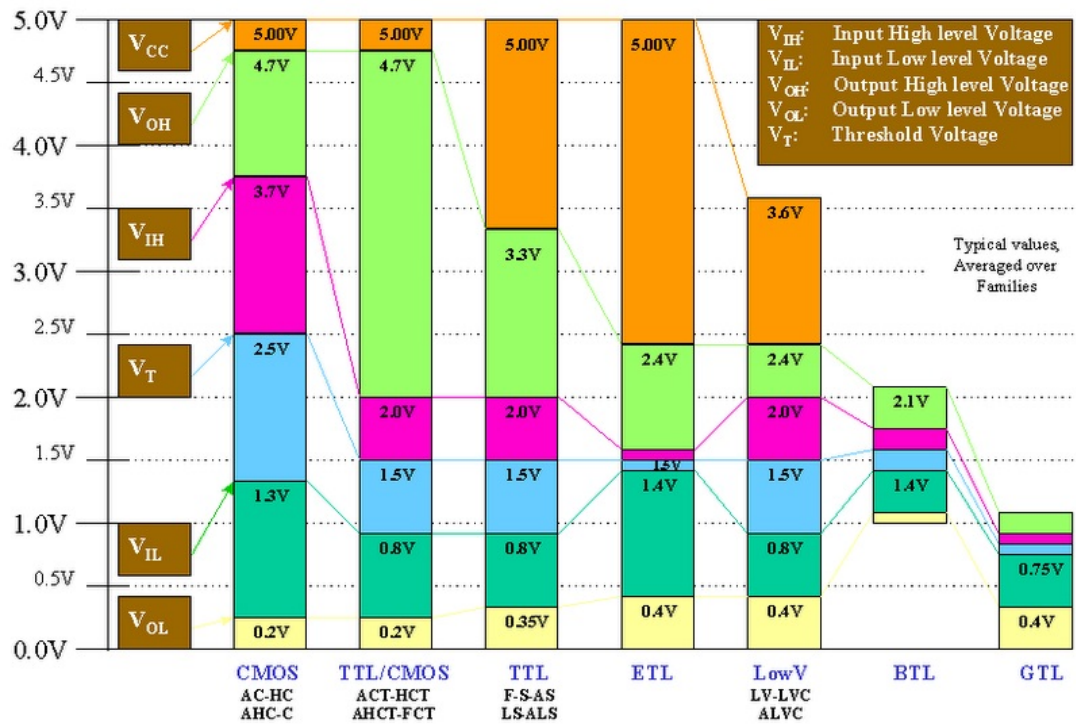


Fig. Q3.3

- Q.4 (a) Explain why the plunger shown in Fig. Q4.1 must be of non-conductive material.

(5 marks)

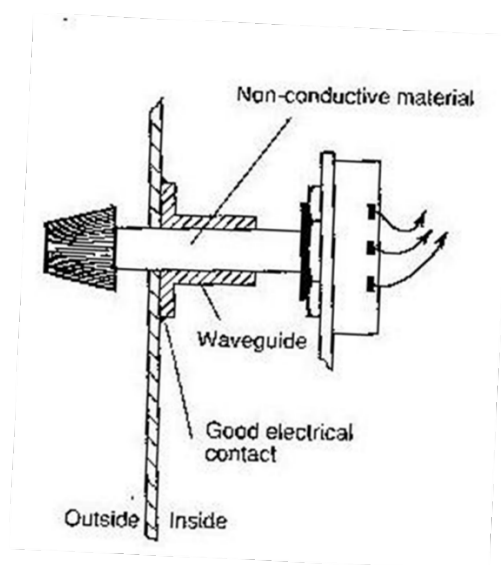


Fig. Q4.1

- (b) The shielding efficiency of a solid shielding material arranged as in Fig. Q4.2 is given as: $\tau_1 \tau_2 e^{-\gamma t} / (1 - e^{-2\gamma t} \Gamma_2^2)$, where τ_1 is the transmission coefficient at the first interface (between material 1 and material 2), τ_2 is the transmission coefficient at the second interface (between material 2 and material 3), Γ_2 is the reflection coefficient at the second interface, t is the thickness of material 2, and γ is the complex propagation constant of material 2.

Material 1 is air. However, the source is a 1MHz low-impedance source located 1m away from the interface. The wave impedance of a low-impedance source is given as: $240\pi^2(r/\lambda_0)e^{-j\pi/2}$ ohm, where r is the distance of the source to the interface, λ_0 is the free space wavelength of the source.

Material 2 is a conductive material with $\epsilon = \epsilon_0$, $\sigma = 100\text{S/m}$.

Material 3 is air.

Find the required thickness t of material 2 in order to achieve a 20dB shielding efficiency.

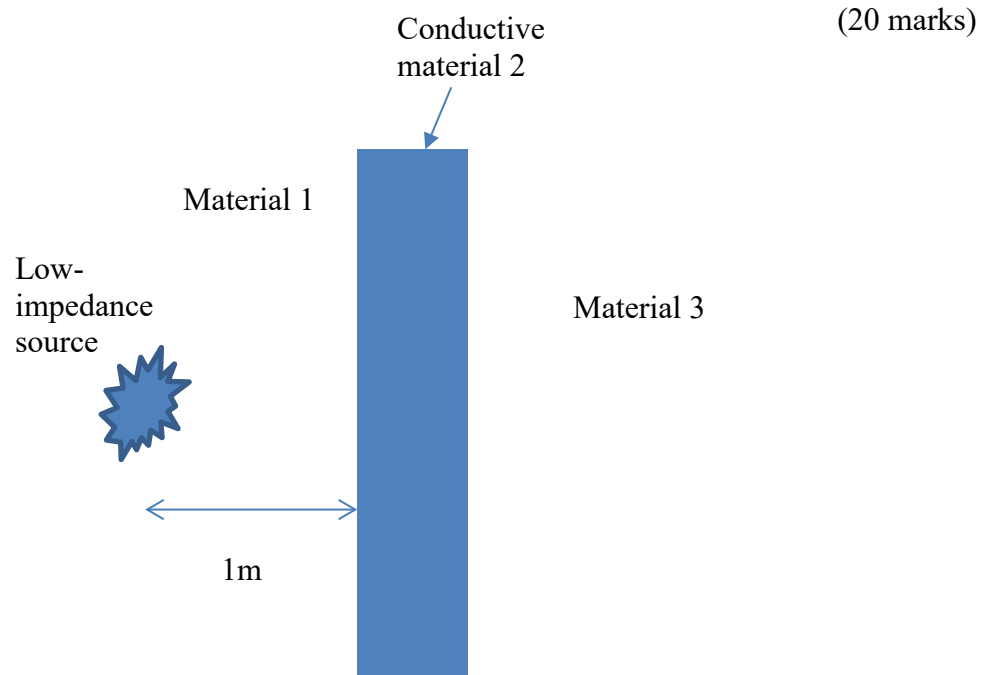


Fig. Q4.2

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