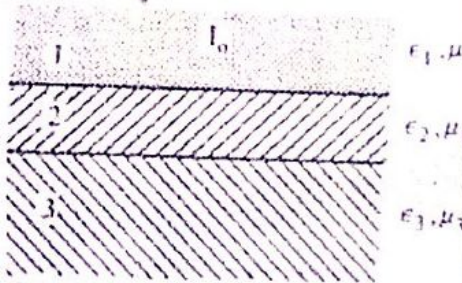


Attempt all questions. The required physical constants are given at the end of the question paper.

1. A plane electromagnetic wave is incident on a conductor.

- (a) For this EM wave in conductor ( $\tau = \epsilon/\sigma$  small,  $\sigma$  large), show that the free charge dissipates with characteristic time  $\tau$ . (2)
- (b) Write the Maxwell's equation inside the conductor (1/2 + 1/2 + 1)
- (c) The dielectric constant and permeability of this conductor are of the same value as of free space (i.e.,  $\epsilon_0, \mu_0$ ) and a plane EM wave  $\vec{E}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{E}_0 \exp[i(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)]$  is incident normally on this conductor. Frequency and conductivity of the conductor are such that within the conductor the conduction current and displacement current are equal. What is the expression for  $\sigma$  (in terms of  $\omega$  &  $\epsilon_0$ ) in this conductor? Justify your answer. (3)
- (d) If under the above condition in (c) the complex index of refraction can be written as  $n = (1/c) \sqrt{\{\epsilon_0 - (4\pi\sigma/\omega) i\} \mu_0}$ . Arrive at an expression of reflection coefficient for this problem. (3)

2. Given the 3 media shown, an incident plane EM wave of Intensity  $I_0$  enters normal to the interface from medium 1. (5)



- (a) Find the intensity of the wave transmitted into medium 3. Medium 3 extends indefinitely downward.
- (b) Find the intensity of the wave in medium 1 which returns in the direction opposite to the incoming wave.

Kindly use ONLY the parameters (for the media) given / shown in the problem for arriving at your answer. **MARKS WILL NOT BE GIVEN IF YOU EXPRESS YOUR ANSWER IN ANY OTHER PARAMETERS NOT SHOWN / USED IN THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM**

3. (a) The signal from a TV station contains pulses of full width  $\sim 10^{-6}$  sec. Is it feasible to transmit TV signals in AM broadcasting band, answer with reasoning? The AM band-width is  $0.5 \times 10^6$  Hz to  $1.5 \times 10^6$  Hz (2)
- (b) A particle confined in a box cannot have ZERO kinetic energy. Show this from uncertainty principle (2)
- (c) Suppose we have a wave function that looks like this- (3)



How will you represent  $d\psi/dx$  graphically? Show specifically what will happen at  $x=L$ . What will be  $d^2\psi/dx^2$  at  $x=L$ .

4. In magnetic materials there exist spin waves of frequency  $\omega = Ak^2$ , where  $A$  is a constant and  $k$  is the wave-vector (magnitude of propagation vector) of a given spin wave. Find the phase velocity  $v_p$  and group velocity  $v_g$  for these waves as a function of  $\omega$  (NO MARKS WILL BE GIVEN IF THE RESULTS ARE EXPRESSED OTHERWISE). (3)
- What is the physical interpretation of this result?

Physical Constants :

$$k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

$$m^* = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ Kg}$$

$$h = 6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$$

$$N_A = 6.023 \times 10^{23} \text{ mole}^{-1}$$

$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$