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**ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS AND  
ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD THEORY**

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Time: 3 hours

**THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL****DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING  
(POWER OPTION)****MODULE III****ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS AND ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD THEORY****3 hours****INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

*Answer booklet;*

*Mathematical table;*

*Non-programmable scientific calculator;*

*Drawing instruments.*

*This paper consists of TWO sections; A and B.*

*Answer THREE questions from section A and TWO questions from section B.*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are as indicated.*

*Candidates should answer the questions in English.*

Take:  $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12}$  F/m

$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  H/m

**This paper consists of 8 printed pages.**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that  
all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**



## SECTION A: ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

*Answer THREE questions from this section.*

1. (a) State **three** methods of reducing the system transfer reactance for improvement of steady-state stability. (3 marks)
- (b) Derive the swing equation of a synchronous generator. (6 marks)
- (c) The ABCD constants of a nominal  $\pi$  network representing a three phase transmission line are:

$$A = D = 0.94 \angle 0.8^\circ, \quad B = 66 \angle 72^\circ \Omega, \quad C = 0.002 \angle 91^\circ \text{ siemens.}$$

Given that both sending-end and receiving end voltages are kept constant at 132 KV, determine the steady-state stability limit with:

- (i) the ABCD constants as indicated;
  - (ii) both series resistance and shunt admittance neglected. (11 marks)
2. (a) Explain the operation of a synchronous phase modifier as used in transmission lines. (4 marks)
  - (b) With the aid of a labelled circuit and phasor diagram, of a nominal- $\pi$ -network, show that the sending voltage is given by:
 
$$V_s = \left( 1 + \frac{YZ}{2} \right) V_r + I_r Z \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$
  - (c) A transmission line has a span of 280 m between level supports. The conductor has an effective diameter of 2.04 cm and weighs 0.875 kg/m. Its ultimate strength is 8080 kg. The conductor has an ice coating of radial thickness 1.3 cm and is subjected to a wind pressure of 4.01 gm/cm<sup>2</sup> of projected area. If the factor of safety is 2, determine the vertical sag. (10 marks)
3. (a) Distinguish between symmetrical and unsymmetrical faults. (4 marks)



(b) The line currents of a 3-phase system supplying unbalanced load are:

$$I_R = (120 + j60)A$$

$$I_Y = (120 - j120)A$$

$$I_B = (-150 + j100)A$$

Determine the following symmetrical components:

(i)  $I_{R0}$ ;

(ii)  $I_{R1}$ ;

(iii)  $I_{R2}$ .

(8 marks)

(c) **Figure 1** shows an unloaded three-phase system with a single-line to ground fault at point F. The system neutral is solidly grounded. Show that the fault current:

$$I_R = \frac{3 E_R}{Z_0 + Z_1 + Z_2 + 3 Z_f}$$

Where:

$Z_f$  = fault impedance.

$Z_0$  = zero sequence impedance.

$Z_1$  = positive sequence impedance.

$Z_2$  = Negative sequence impedance.

(8 marks)

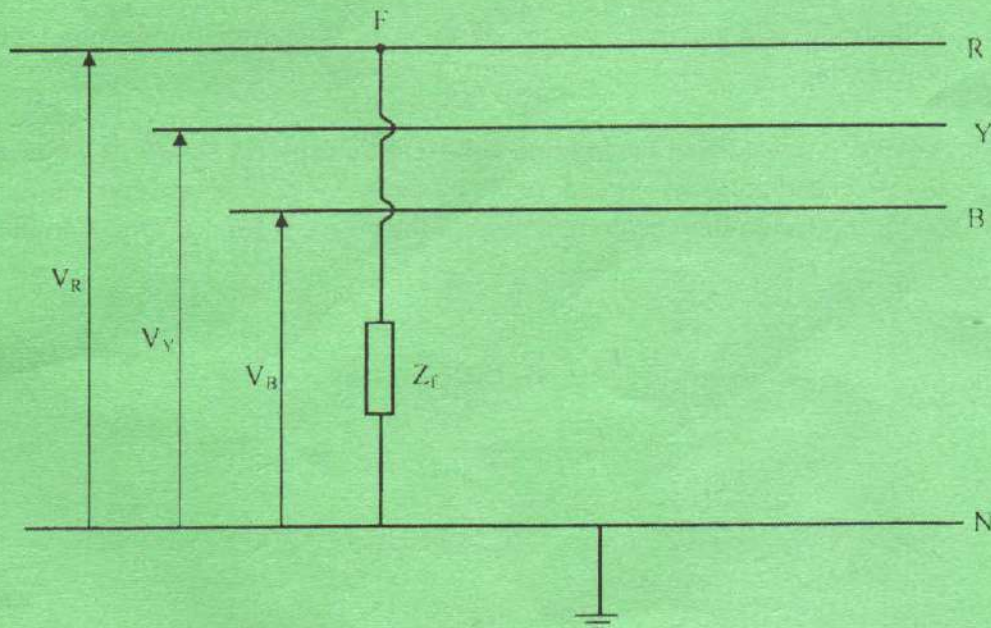


Fig. 1



4. (a) Explain **three** functions of spark gaps of a valve-type surge arrester. (6 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a labelled typical voltage surge waveform, describe the  $\frac{1}{60}$  voltage surge. (4 marks)
- (c) A 100 km long, 3-phase, 50 Hz transmission line has the following line constants:

Resistance/phase/km =  $0.2 \Omega$

Inductance/phase/km = 2 mH

Capacitance (line to neutral)  
per km =  $0.015 \mu F$ .

If the line supplies a star-connected load of 50 MW at 132 KV, 0.8 power factor lagging, use the nominal - T- method to determine the sending end:

- (i) voltage;  
(ii) current.

(10 marks)

5. (a) With reference to protective relays, explain the following terms:
- (i) pick-up current;
- (ii) plug-setting multiplier;
- (iii) current setting. (6 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a labelled diagram, describe the operation of induction type directional power relay. (8 marks)
- (c) A 3-phase transformer having line-voltage ratio of  $415 V/11 kV$  is connected in star-delta and protective transformers on the 415 V side have a current ratio of  $600/6$  A. Determine the current ratio of the protective transformers on the 11 kV side. (6 marks)



## SECTION B: ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD THEORY

Answer *TWO* questions from this section.

6. (a) (i) State **two** properties of electromagnetic waves.
- (ii) Explain the reason for using three dimensional co-ordinate system in the analysis of electromagnetic fields. (4 marks)
- (b) (i) State Stoke's theorem.
- (ii) **Figure 2** shows a diagram of an elemental electric charge located in space. Using cylindrical co-ordinate system, write the expressions for the surface area for the element.

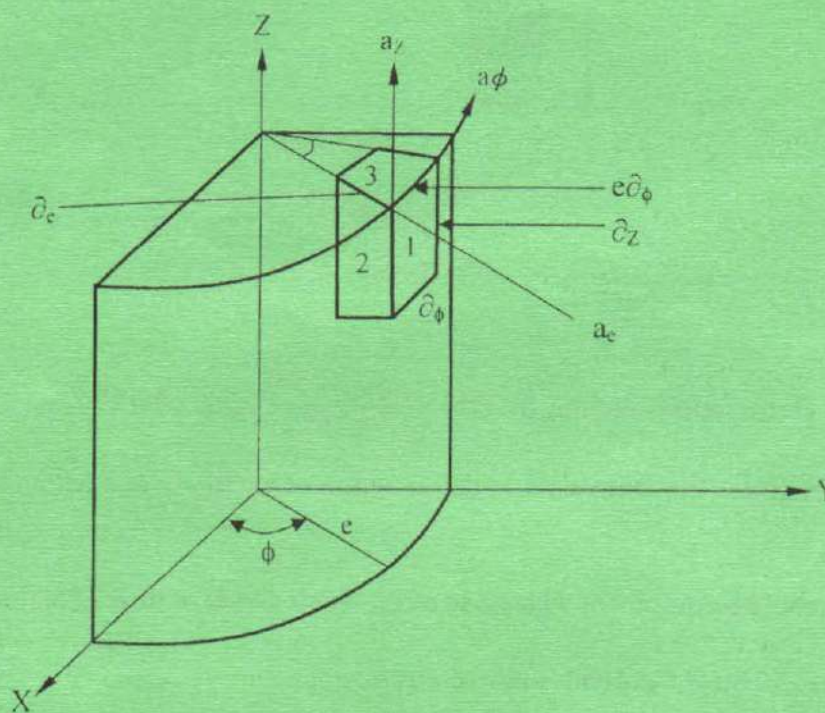


Fig. 2



- (iii) **Figure 3** shows a line charge distribution in which a cylindrical charge tube oriented along the  $Z$  axis has a line charge density  $\rho_l = 2Z$ .  $Z$  is the distance from bottom end of the tube.

Determine the total charge contained.

(10 marks)

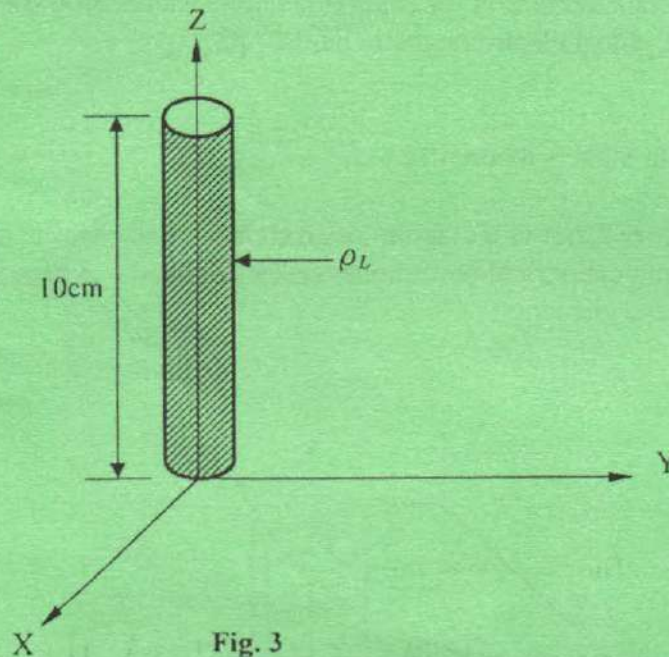


Fig. 3

- (c) A vector field is defined by  $\hat{G} = \frac{2x}{(1+y^2)}\hat{a}_x + (y+Z+11)\hat{a}_y + (5x-Z^2)\hat{a}_z$

Determine the unit vector in the direction of vector  $\hat{G}$  at a point  $(1, 2, -3)$ .

(6 marks)

7. (a) State **two** equipment which use electrostatic fields in their operation. (2 marks)

- (b) (i) State Coulomb's law of electrostatics.

- (ii) A point charge  $Q_1 = 2 \mu C$  is located at  $P_1(3, 7, -4)$  in free space and a second point charge  $Q_2 = -5 \mu C$  is at a point  $P_2(2, 4, -1)$ . Determine the total electric field strength at a point  $(12, 15, 18)$  due to both charges.

(10 marks)

- (c) (i) Distinguish between convection and conduction currents in electromagnetic fields study.

- (ii) State the Maxwell's equations for time varying fields in integral form.

(6 marks)



- (d) **Figure 4** shows a parallel plate capacitor connected to an alternating generator of voltage  $V$  volts. Redraw the circuit and indicate displacement current  $I_d$  and the capacitor current  $I_c$ . (2 marks)

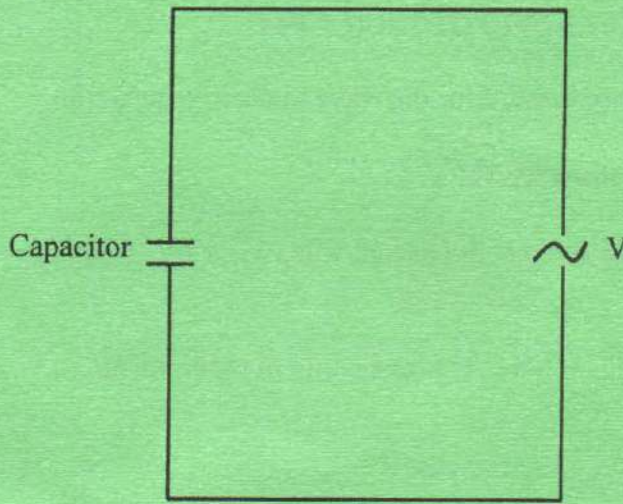


Fig. 4

8. (a) (i) State the Biot Savarts law.
- (ii) **Figure 5** shows a cylindrical Gaussian surface for magnetostatic field at the interface between two different dielectrics of permittivities  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  respectively. Using Gauss law, show that the normal component of the magnetic flux density ( $B$ ) is continuous across the boundary. (6 marks)

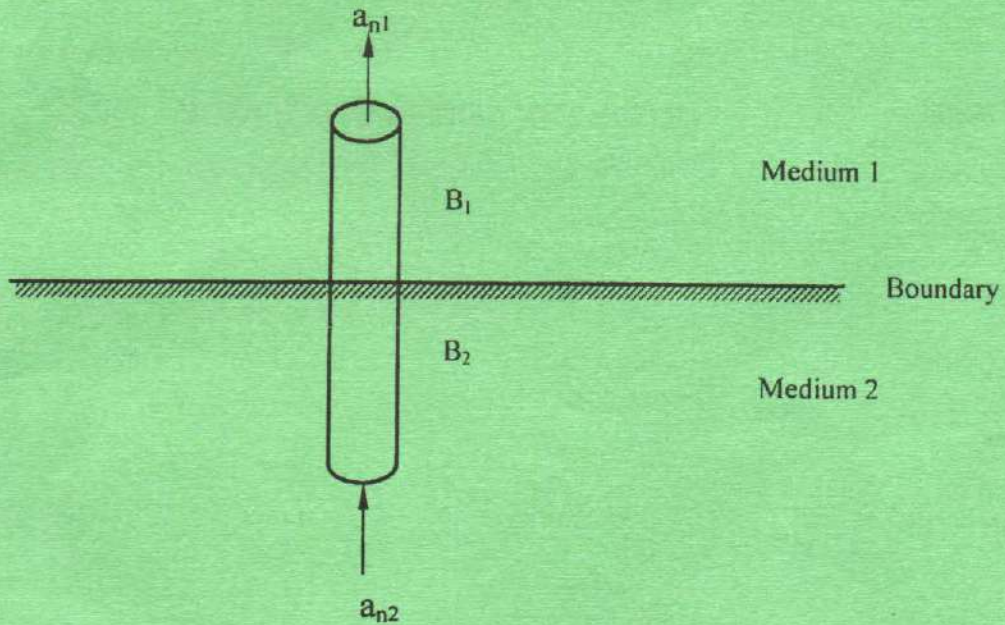


Fig.5



(b) (i) Define 'uniform plane wave' as used in electromagnetic fields.

(ii) The equation of a wave in a lossless medium is described by:

$$E_y(x, t) = C_1 \cos(\omega t - \beta x) + C_2 \cos(\omega t + \beta x).$$

(I) Obtain the expression for the wave in positive direction.

(II) Determine the wave velocity.

(III) Describe the wave at the instant when  $C_1 = C_2$ .

(6 marks)

(c) A  $9.4 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$  uniform plane wave is propagating in space where  $\mu_r = 2$  and  $\epsilon_r = 3$ . Determine the:

(i) velocity of propagation;

(ii) phase constant;

(iii) intrinsic impedance.

(8 marks)

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