

1. A current density due to flow of free charges is given by  $\mathbf{J} = -(5x \mathbf{a}_x + 2y \mathbf{a}_y + z^2 \mathbf{a}_z)$ .
  - (1) By using surface integrals directly, find the **displacement current** emanating from the closed surface of the cubic box bounded by the planes  $x = \pm 1, y = \pm 1, z = \pm 1$ . (5%)
  - (2) Redo (1) by using an appropriate volume integral. (5%)
  
2. As shown in Fig. 1, a system with two parallel square conducting plates, each having an area  $S$ , is to be analyzed. The space between two parallel square conducting plates is filled with two different lossy dielectrics, of which the thicknesses  $d_1, d_2 \ll S^{1/2} = l$  (the length) so that the fringe effect can be neglected. A battery of dc voltage  $V$  is applied across the plates.
  - (1) Find the steady current densities in both dielectrics (5%)
  - (2) Find the surface charge densities on the interfaces. Please explain briefly their origin. (5%)
  - (3) Find the resistance of the system. (5%)
  
3. As shown in Fig. 1, the dielectric 1 is lossless, i.e.,  $\sigma_1 = 0$ .
  - (1) Find the potential on the interface between dielectrics 1 & 2, i.e.,  $x = d_2$ . (5%)
  - (2) Find the electric force  $F_e$  for the dielectric 1 ( $\epsilon_1, \mu_1$ ) in the situation shown as the dashed square in Fig. 1. (5%)
  
4. As shown in Fig. 1, the dielectrics 1 and 2 are lossless, i.e.,  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 0$ .
  - (1) Please find the capacitance of the system. (5%)
  - (2) If the voltage source  $V$  is changed to a current source  $I$  and short-circuited at the other end, please find the external inductance (i.e., contribution from the flux in the gap)  $L_e$  of the system. (5%)
  - (3) Continued from (2), if both conducting plates are of finite ( $\epsilon, \sigma, \mu$ ) and thickness  $d$  ( $d \ll S^{1/2} = l$ ), please find the internal inductance  $L_i$  (i.e., contribution from the flux in the conductor) of the system. (5%)

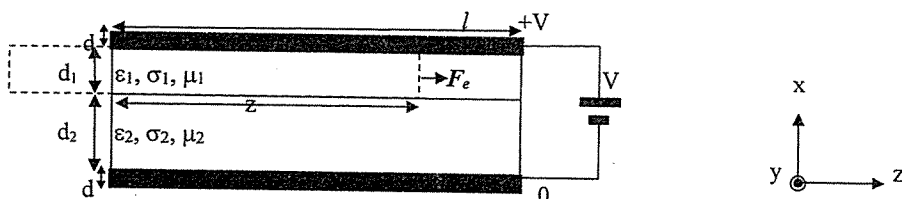


Fig. 1 The system diagram for Problems 2-4

5. Consider an electromagnetic wave,  $(\vec{E}, \vec{H})$ , propagation in free space. Let  $\vec{E} = (E_x, E_y, E_z)$  and  $\vec{H} = (H_x, H_y, H_z)$ , where  $E_z = 0$ .
  - (1) If the field dependences on time,  $t$ , and  $z$  are  $e^{j\omega t}$  and  $e^{-j\beta_z z}$ , respectively, please find the ratios of  $\eta_{xy} = E_x / H_y$  and  $\eta_{yx} = E_y / H_x$ . (Hint: Use Maxwell's equations  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial \vec{H}}{\partial t}$  and  $\nabla \times \vec{H} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$ ) (5%)
  - (2) In (1), show  $\eta_{xy} = -\eta_{yx} \cong 377$  when  $\beta_z \rightarrow \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$ . ( $Z_0 \cong 377 \Omega$  is the intrinsic impedance of free space.) (5%)
  - (3) In (1), if the dependences on  $x$  and  $y$  are  $e^{-j\beta_x x}$  and  $e^{-j\beta_y y}$ , respectively, please show  $\beta_x^2 + \beta_y^2 + \beta_z^2 = \omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_0$ . (5%)

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6. Consider a section of parallel-plate waveguide with perfect conducting plates located at  $x=0$  and  $x=a$ . The medium inside the waveguide is air.
- (1) If  $a = 5$  cm, please find the cutoff frequencies and their associated cutoff wavelengths for the lowest **three** TE modes. (5%)
  - (2) In practical applications, the waveguide is operated at the lowest fundamental mode, please find the **frequency bandwidth** for this waveguide. (3%)
  - (3) Now consider a second section of parallel-plate waveguide of the same size ( $a = 5$ ) with the medium changed to dielectric materials of  $\epsilon_r = 2.25$ . This section and the one in (a) are connected as shown in Fig. 2 below. Again the fundamental mode operation is assumed. Please find the **frequency bandwidth**. (5%)
  - (4) In Fig. 2, what is the requirement of **dielectric constant**  $\epsilon_r$  if the reduction of bandwidth is less than 30%? Please explain your argument. (5%)
  - (5) Find the guide **characteristic impedances**,  $\eta_{g1}$  and  $\eta_{g2}$ , for these two waveguides. Please also find the **reflection and transmission coefficients** at the junction. (5%)

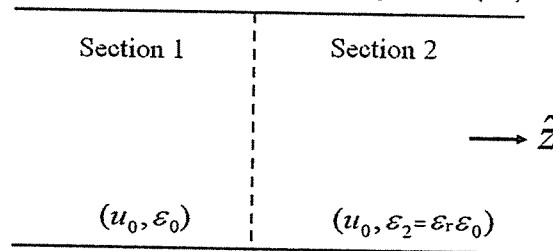


Fig. 2: The transmission lines diagram for problem 6.

7. Consider a transmission line with a characteristic impedance,  $Z_0$ , which is terminated by an arbitrary load,  $Z_L$  as illustrated in Fig. 3. The propagation constant is  $\beta$ . One considers the wave propagation voltage,  $V(d)$  and current  $I(d)$  along the transmission line. The voltage reflection coefficient at  $d=0$  is  $\Gamma_L$ . In particular,  $V(d)$  can be expressed as  $V(d) = V^+(e^{j\beta d} + \Gamma_L e^{-j\beta d})$ .
- (1) Find the corresponding **current distribution**,  $I(d)$ , and find the **separation distance** between the two maximums of  $I(d)$  in terms of wavelength  $\lambda$  in the formed standing wave pattern? What is the **period** of standing wave pattern? (Note:  $\beta = 2\pi / \lambda$ ) (4%)
  - (2) In (1), please find **separation distance** between the adjacent maximums of  $V(d)$  and  $I(d)$ ? Explain your argument. (4%)
  - (3) Express the **SWR (standing wave ratio)** in terms of  $\Gamma_L$ . In practical application, -10dB reflection coefficient ( $|\Gamma_L| = 0.316$ ) is used as a threshold to justify the bandwidth of RF system. Please find the corresponding **SWR**. If  $\text{SWR} = 1.5$  is considered as the new threshold, what is the corresponding **reflection coefficient**  $|\Gamma_L|$ ? (4%)

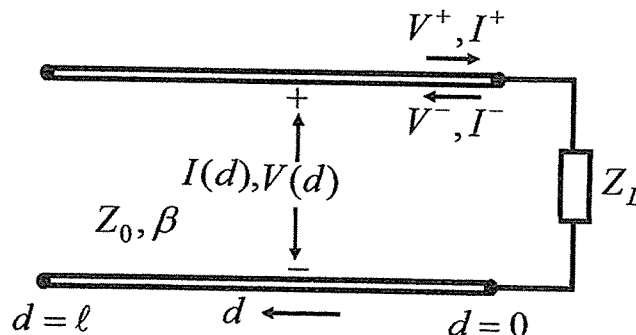


Fig. 3: The circuit of transmission line for Problem 7.

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