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PART-A

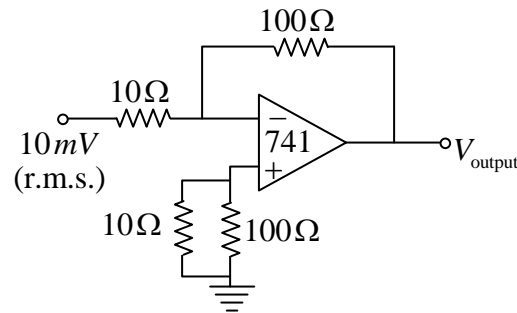
- A1. Consider the Lagrangian, $L = \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 x^2 + \alpha \log x$, where α and ω are positive constants. Let $x > 0$.
- (a) Find the equilibrium value of x .
- (b) Write down the Lagrangian for small oscillations about the equilibrium.
- (c) Work out the frequency of normal mode.
- A2. Show that $u(x, y) = \sin x \cosh y + 2 \cos x \sinh y$ satisfies Laplace's equation in two dimensions. If u is taken to be the real part of a complex analytic function $f(z) = u + iv$ that vanishes at $z = 0$ then find $f(z)$.
- A3. The wave function of a particle of mass m , moving in a one-dimensional box lying between $x = 0$ and $x = L$, is given at an instant by $\psi(x) = Cx(L - x)$, where C is normalization constant. If you measure the energy of the particle at this instant, what is the probability that the particle will be found in its ground state?
- A4. The equation of state for an ideal gas is given by $p = nk_B T$, where $n = \frac{N}{V}$ is the number of particles per unit volume.
- (a) Find the entropy, S , of the ideal gas as a function of p and V (up to an undetermined constant).
- (b) Show that the pressure of a gas is given by $p = n \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = -f$, where $f = \frac{F}{V}$ is the free energy per unit volume. Does it require the gas to be ideal?
- A5. Aluminium has three valence electrons per atom, an atomic weight of 0.02698 kg/mol and a density of 2700 kg/m^3 and a conductivity of $3.54 \times 10^7 \text{ S/m}$. Assume that all three valence electrons of every atom participate in electrical conduction.
- (a) Calculate the carrier concentration, n .
- (b) Calculate the mobility, μ in aluminium.

- A6. For scalar potential, $\phi=0$, and vector potential $A = A_0 \sin(kx - \omega t) \hat{y}$, find the corresponding electric field, E , and magnetic field, B . Here A_0 , ω and k are constants.
 (b) Under what condition, will all the four Maxwell's equations be satisfied for these E and B ?

PART - B

- B1. Using dimensional analysis, show that $\frac{e^2}{\hbar}$ is the quantum unit of electrical conductance
- B2. Calculate the density of states, $D(\varepsilon)$, for the free particle dispersion, $\varepsilon_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m}$ in two dimensions. Sketch $D(\varepsilon)$ vs. ε
- B3. What is the difference between coherence length, ξ and penetration depth, λ of a superconductor? Which of the two is bigger in a type -1 superconductor?
- B4. In its rest frame, a muon (mass = 106 MeV) has a lifetime of 2.2×10^{-6} sec. what is the lifetime in the laboratory frame if the muon has a kinetic energy of 500 MeV ?
- B5. A collection of free spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles at temperature, T , is placed in a magnetic field of 2 Wb/m^2 . If the number of spins parallel to the magnetic field is twice as large as the number of antiparallel spins, then what is the temperature, T ?
- B6. Find the general solution of the ordinary differential equation, $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + x = t^2$. Find also the solution with the initial condition $x(0) = 0$ and $\frac{dx}{dt}(0) = 0$
- B7. For a diatomic molecule of identical atoms with atomic mass $40 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$, and bond length of $2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$, calculate (using rigid rotator model) the frequency of rotational transition from the angular momentum state $J = 1$ and $J = 2$.

- B8. In the circuit given below, what is the peak output voltage?



- B9. The Doppler width of the orange line of krypton at $\lambda = 6058 \text{ \AA}$ is $\Delta\lambda = 0.0055 \text{ \AA}$. What is the bandwidth, $\Delta\nu$, of this line?
- B10. A spin $-\frac{1}{2}$ particle is given to be in the normalized eigenstate, $|\uparrow\rangle$, of the operator \hat{S}_z such that $\hat{S}_z|\uparrow\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2}|\uparrow\rangle$. Calculate the uncertainty, $\langle \hat{S}_x^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{S}_x \rangle^2$, of the measurement of \hat{S}_x in this state.