國立中央大學九十一學年度碩士班研究生入學試題卷

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You must show the steps clearly in order to earn credits.

- I. Find the center-of-mass of a quadrant of a thin elliptical section (四分之一導橢圓) of uniform mass density σ . Taking the long and short axes of the ellipse to be a and b, respectively. (10%)
- 2. Consider a pendulum consisting of a mass m suspended by a weightless string of length 1 in a resistless space.
 - (a) Obtain the Lagrangian of the system. (5%)
 - (b) Obtain the Lagrangian's equation of motion. (5%)
 - (c) The string was set at a small angle θ_0 apart from the vertical line. Determine its motion after setting free. (10%)
- 3. A problem on electrostatic potential.
 - (a) Obtain the Poisson's equation in free space for electrostatic potential Φ due to a charge distribution $\rho(\vec{r})$. (5%)
 - (b) Determine the Φ inside and outside a uniformly charged infinite cylinder of radius a_0 and volume charge density a, cy solving the Poisson's equation and taking the zero potential to be at the center of the cylinder. (10%)
- 4. Consider a simple media of permittivity α , permeability β , and conductivity σ .
 - (a) Describe the origin of displacement current. (5%)
 - (b) Write down the Maxwell's equations in the media. (5%)
 - (c) Obtain the vector wave equation for the \vec{E} field in regions where no free charges are present. (5%)
 - (d) Based on the equations obtained in (c), describe how a plane EM wave will propagate in (i) a non-conducting and (ii) a conducting media. Sketch the waveform. (10%)
- 5. General concept of thermodynamics
 - (a) Define isothermal process. (2%)
 - (b) Define adiabatic process. (2%)
 - (c) Give the zeroth law of thermodynamics. (2%)
 - (d) Give the first law of thermodynamics. (2%)
 - (e) Give the second law of thermodynamics. (2%)
- 6. Consider N identical, non-interacting harmonic oscillators of angular frequency ω.
 - (a) Write down the allowed energy level scheme and then obtain the number of microstates accessible for the system of energy E. (10%)
 - (b) Show that the temperature of the system can be expressed as

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{k_B}{\hbar \omega} \ln \left\{ \frac{E + \frac{1}{2} N \hbar \omega}{E - \frac{1}{2} N \hbar \omega} \right\}, \text{ where } k_B \text{ is the Boltzmann constant.}$$
 (10%)

Some useful vector identities:

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla V) = 0$$

