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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

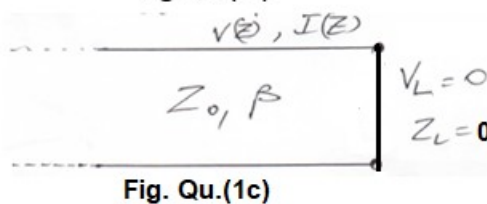
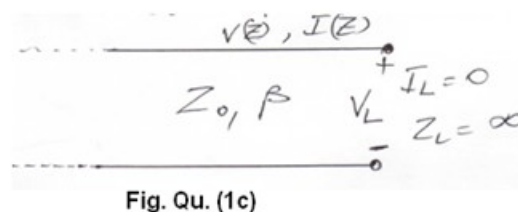
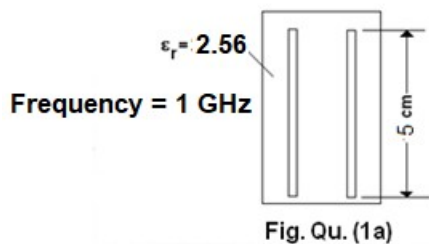
-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt **Question ONE** and **ANY other TWO** questions.

$$1. \quad \epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{36\pi} \times 10^{-9} \text{ F/m}; \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H/m}$$

Question ONE (Compulsory 30 marks)

- (a) Consider a pair of lines 5 cm in length etched on a glass-epoxy board (Fig. Qu. (1a)).
- (i) Determine the delay and phase shift digital signals propagating along the lines will experience.
Assume the signal is propagating in the conductor only.
- (ii) Explain the consequence of this delay with regard to signal integrity. (10 marks)



- (b) At the load end of a terminated transmission line having a characteristic impedance of 100Ω , the reflection coefficient $\Gamma_L = 0.560 + j0.215$. Determine the load impedance using:
- (i) Analytical method (ii) A Smith chart. (10 Marks)
- (c) Consider the open-circuited & short-circuited lines shown in Fig. Qu. (1c). Show that a section of an open-circuited transmission line behaves like a capacitor and a section of a short-circuited transmission line behaves like an inductor and determine the values for each given a frequency of 2GHz . (10 marks)
- (d) A correctly terminated transmission line of length 20 km has an input of 8 V_{RMS} at 3 kHz and produces an output across the terminating load of 2 V_{RMS} lagging by 100° and a velocity factor of 0.9 . Determine the following:
- (i) Attenuation coefficient (α) (ii) Phase angle coefficient (β) (4 marks)

Question TWO

Consider the transmission line in figure (Qu.2a). Given: $V_g = 15\text{ V RMS}$; $Z_0 = 50\Omega$; $Z_g = 50\Omega$.

$Z_L = 100 + j50$ and the length $l = 0.3\lambda$. Determine:

- (i) Reflection coefficient at the load
(ii) Reflection coefficient along the line
(iii) Incident voltage V_0 (20 marks)

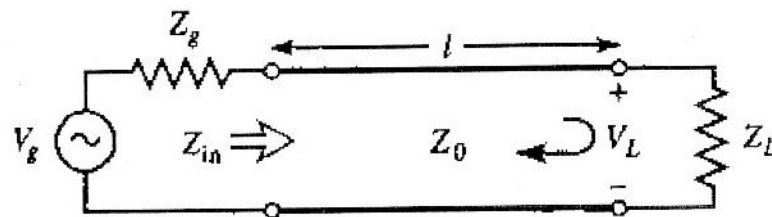


Figure (Qu.2a)

Question THREE

- (a) (i) Describe how the presence of standing waves affect voltage and current along a transmission line.
(ii) Describe the consequence of standing waves in the following situations:
- I Transmitting applications
 - II Receiving applications
 - III Data transmission
- (7 marks)

- (b) The transmission line circuit of figure (Qu.3b) has $V_g = 15 \text{ V RMS}$; $Z_0 = 75 \Omega$; $Z_g = 75 \Omega$; $Z_L = 100 - j40$ and the length $l = 0.7$. Compute the power delivered to the load using two different techniques:

- (i) Find $|\Gamma|$ and compute $P_L = \left(\frac{V_g}{2}\right)^2 \frac{1}{Z_0} (1 - |\Gamma|^2)$
- (ii) Find Z_{in} and compute $P_L = \left| \frac{V_g}{Z_g + Z_{in}} \right|^2 \Re(Z_L)$
- (iii) Find V_L and compute $P_L = \left| \frac{V_L}{Z_L} \right|^2 \Re(Z_L)$ (13 marks)

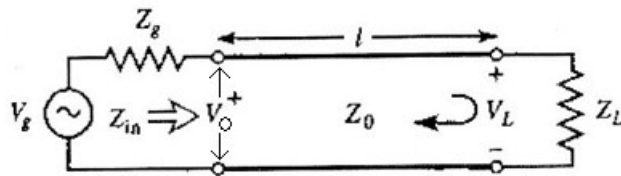


Figure Qu.(3b)

Question FOUR

- (a) With the aid of a Smith chart design a parallel short-circuited stub to match a load impedance $Z_L = 22.5 - j41.25 \Omega$ to a transmission line with characteristic impedance $Z_0 = 75$, a velocity factor of 0.9 and a frequency of 1 GHz. (10 marks)
- (b) Validate the solution in (a) analytically. (10 marks)

Question FIVE

- (a) With the aid of a Smith chart design a quarter-wave transformer to match a load impedance $Z_L = 22.5 - j41.25 \Omega$ to a transmission line with characteristic impedance $Z_0 = 75$, a velocity factor of 0.9 and a frequency of 1 GHz. (10 marks)
- (b) Motivating all your steps derive the following transmission line equations:

$$\hat{V}(Z) = V_0^+ e^{-\gamma Z} + V_0^- e^{+\gamma Z} \quad \hat{I}(Z) = I_0^+ e^{-\gamma Z} - I_0^- e^{+\gamma Z} \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$

