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[Two Hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries 5 marks]

All notations have their usual meaning.

Use the Smith Chart to answer Q3.

Q1 a) A distortionless line is the one in which the attenuation constant ( $\alpha$ ) is frequency independent while the phase constant ( $\beta$ ) is linearly dependent on the frequency of the transmission line. i.e.,  $\frac{R}{L} = \frac{G}{C}$ .

i) Show that  $\alpha = \sqrt{RG}$  and  $\beta = \omega\sqrt{LC}$ .

ii) Find the expressions for characteristic impedance ( $Z_0$ ) of the transmission line and phase velocity ( $u$ ).

[2 Marks]

b) A distortionless line has  $Z_0 = 60 \Omega$ ,  $\alpha = 20 \text{ mNp/m}$  and  $u = 0.6c$ , where  $c$  is the speed of light in a vacuum. Find the line parameters ( $R, L, G, C$ ) and the wavelength of transmission line at 100 MHz.

[3 Marks]

Q2 a) For a transmission line, the primary constants are  $R = 0.25 \Omega$ ,  $G = 0$ ,  $L = 0.3 \mu\text{H/m}$  and  $C = 15 \text{ pF/m}$ . Determine the

i) phase and attenuation constants of the transmission line at 1 GHz and

ii) the characteristic impedance.

[2 Marks]

b) A  $300 \Omega$  loss-less transmission line is connected to a load has maximum and minimum currents of 20 A and 12 A respectively. What is the power delivered to the load?

Hint: The amount of power delivered to the load is given by

$$P_L = \frac{|V^+|^2}{2Z_0} [1 - |\Gamma_L|^2].$$

[3 Marks]

Q3 a) "A graphical representation of a transmission line helps in pictorial visualization of some basic concepts". Explain how the same Smith Chart is used to deal both impedances and admittances of a transmission line.

[1 Mark]

b) An antenna with an impedance  $(40 + j30)$  is to be matched to a  $100 \Omega$  lossless line with a short circuited stub which is added in parallel to the main transmission line. Determine

- i) the required stub admittance,
- ii) the distance between the stub and the antenna and
- iii) the stub length.

[4 Marks]

Q4 a) Is it possible to use any value of  $n$  and  $m$  in order to define a Transverse-Magnetic ( $TM_{nm}$ ) mode of a rectangular waveguide? Explain clearly.

[1.5 Marks]

b) A  $2.0 \times 3.0 \text{ cm}^2$  waveguide is filled using a dielectric material with a relative permittivity of  $\epsilon_r = 4$ . If the waveguide is operated at 20 GHz and  $TM_{11}$  mode, determine

- i) the cut-off frequency,
- ii) the phase constant and
- iii) the phase velocity.

[3.5 Marks]

