CHAPTER-8

ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

One mark questions

- 1. Who has experimentally demonstrated the existence of electromagnetic waves? (K)
- 2. Name the scientist who argued that electric field changing with time gives rise to magnetic field.(K)
- 3. Which set of equations mathematically express all the basic laws of electromagnetism? (K)
- 4. Which is the most important prediction to emerge from Maxwell's equations?(K)
- 5. Whose work unified the domain of electricity, magnetism and light.(K)
- 6. What is displacement current?(K)
- 7. What modification was made by Maxwell in Ampere's circuital law?(U)
- 8. What is conduction current?(K)
- 9. Name the law associated with the following equation $\oint B \cdot dl = \mu_0 i_c + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d\varphi}{dt}$ (U)
- 10. What is the unit of displacement current?(K)
- 11. How electromagnetic waves are produced?(U)
- 12. Give an example for an accelerating charge.(K)
- 13. Name the Indian physicist who has worked in the field of production of electromagnetic wave.(K)
- 14. Mention the invention made by Indian physicist J.C.Bose in the field of electromagnetic waves. (K)
- 15. What is the angle between electric field vector and magnetic field vector of electromagnetic waves?(K)
- 16. What is the angle between electric field vector / magnetic field vector with the direction of propagation in an electromagnetic wave?(K)
- 17. What is the direction of magnetic field in a capacitor?(U)
- 18. What is the direction of electric field in a capacitor?(U)
- 19. Mention the expression for the speed of propagation of electromagnetic waves in free space in terms of permittivity and permeability of free space. (K)
- 20. Mention the expression for the speed of propagation of electromagnetic waves in a material medium.(K)
- 21. What is the source of an electromagnetic wave? (K)
- 22. Who proposed electromagnetic wave theory? (K)
- 23. Write the expression for the displacement current.(U)
- 24. What are electromagnetic waves?(K)
- 25. Name the hypothetical medium assumed for the propagation of transverse waves.(K)
- 26. Whose experiment demolished the hypothesis of ether?(K)
- 27. Is a material medium essential for the propagation of electromagnetic waves?(K)
- 28. Do electromagnetic waves carry energy and momentum?(U)
- 29. What is radiation pressure?(U)
- 30. Write the expression for momentum transferred by an electromagnetic wave if it is absorbed completely?(U)
- 31. Why do we feel warmth when exposed to sunlight?(U)
- 32. In which field the great technological importance of the property of electromagnetic waves carrying energy is used? (K)
- 33. What is an electromagnetic spectrum?(K)
- 34. What are electromagnetic waves?(K)

- 35. Arrange IR rays, Gamma rays, visible rays, X- rays in increasing order of wave length.(U)
- 36. Arrange Micro waves, Gamma rays, visible rays, X- rays in increasing order of frequency.(U)
- 37. Name the electromagnetic radiation having highest frequency in the electromagnetic spectrum. (U)
- 38. Name the electromagnetic radiation with highest Wave length.(U)
- 39. Name the electromagnetic radiation with lowest frequency. (U)
- 40. Name the electromagnetic radiation with lowest wave length.(U)
- 41. What is the wave length range of visible light?(K)
- 42. How are radio waves produced?(U)
- 43. Mention one application of radio waves.(K)
- 44. How are micro waves produced?(U)
- 45. Name the domestic application of micro waves.(K)
- 46. How are IR waves produced?(U)
- 47. Name a source of UV rays?(K)
- 48. What is the harmful effect of UV rays? (K)
- 49. Why one should not continuously get exposed to U-V radiation? (U)
- 50. Why, one cannot get tanned or sun burn through glass window?(U)
- 51. Why do welders wear special glass goggles or face masks while in their work?(A)
- 52. Expand LASIK.(U)
- 53. What is the role of ozone layer in the atmosphere?(A)
- 54. How are X- rays produced?(U)
- 55. Give one use of Gamma rays.(K)
- 56. Mention the application of X-rays. (K)
- 57. How are gamma rays produced?(U)

Two mark questions

- 1. Distinguish between conduction current and displacement current. (U)
- 2. What is displacement current? Write the expression for displacement current.(K)
- 3. After the discovery of displacement currents what was the generalisation made by Maxwell? (U)
- 4. State Ampere-Maxwell law. Write its mathematical form.(K)
- 5. What was Marconi's invention in electromagnetic waves? What for it is used now?(U)
- 6. Why it was not easy to demonstrate experimentally electromagnetic waves existence?(U)
- 7. Write the equations representing electric and magnetic fields of electromagnetic waves. (U)
- 8. Briefly explain, how does an accelerating charge act as a source of an electromagnetic wave? (U)
- 9. Write the expression for the speed of electromagnetic wave in (a) vacuum and (b)a material medium in terms of electric permittivity and magnetic permeability . (K)
- 10. Obtain the relation between wavelength, frequency ad speed of electromagnetic wave. (K)
- 11. Give any two uses of radio waves.(K)
- 12. Write any two uses of micro waves.(K)
- 13. Give any two uses of IR-waves(K)
- 14. Mention any two uses of UV waves.(K)
- 15. Explain briefly the inconsistency in Ampere's circuital law.(U)
- 16. State any two properties of displacement current.(K)

Three mark questions

- 1. Why Maxwell suggested about displacement current? (U)
- 2. What are the predictions of Maxwell from Maxwell's equations? (K)
- 3. Explain clearly how Maxwell was led to predict the existence of electromagnetic waves. (U)
- 4. What are the contributions of Hertz in the field of electromagnetic waves? (K)
- 5. Write any three properties of electromagnetic waves. (K)
- 6. Name the main parts of the electromagnetic spectrum giving their wavelength range or frequency range (U)
- 7. Mention Maxwell's equations. (U)
- 8. Write any three applications of IR rays.(K)
- 9. A plane electromagnetic wave of frequency 97.2 K Hz travels in free space along x-direction.
 Calculate the magnetic field at a point in space and time where the electric field is 9.6 Vm⁻¹ in y-axis.
 (A) [3.2X10⁻⁸ T]
- 10. Light from a source incident on a non-reflecting surface of area 25 cm² for about 20 minutes. If the energy flux of light is 20Wcm⁻² calculate the total momentum absorbed for complete absorption. (A) [2X10⁻³ Kgms⁻¹]

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