



FIG. 1: Magnetism in matter: Concentric spheres in a magnetic field $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{z}$.

Electrodynamics B (PHY 5347): Test on Homework April 20, 2017.

1. Magnetism in matter (25%).

Consider two concentric spheres with radii $a < b$ placed in a (formerly) constant magnetic field $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{z}$. The inner and outer regions are vacuum, while the region between the spheres is made of a material of permeability μ . See figure 1.

- (a) Write down the Maxwell equations and the boundary conditions of relevance for this problem.
- (b) Introduce a magnetic scalar potential and show the differential equations and boundary conditions that it satisfies.

2. Covariant retarded Green function (25%).

Show that the explicitly covariant expression

$$G_r(x - y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \theta(x^0 - y^0) \delta[(x - y)^2]$$

agrees with the retarded Green function

$$G_r(x - y) = \frac{\delta(\tau - \xi)}{4\pi \xi} = \frac{\delta(x^0 - y^0 - |\vec{x} - \vec{y}|)}{4\pi |\vec{x} - \vec{y}|}.$$

3. **Charge conjugation, parity and time reversal in electrodynamics (25%).**

- (a) State which of the following electrodynamic quantities are even (+) and which are odd (−) under operations of charge conjugation (C), parity (P), and time reversal (T): 1. The potential component A^0 , 2. The current density \vec{J} , 3. The potential components \vec{A} , 4. The electric field \vec{E} , 5. The magnetic field \vec{B} . State the results as (C, P, T) . Start from the assumption that the charge density ρ has $(C, P, T) = (-, +, +)$.
- (b) Express the following Lorentz scalars in terms of \vec{E} and \vec{B} :

$$F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{and} \quad {}^*F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} .$$

State their transformation behavior under (C, P, T) .

4. **TM waves in a rectangular wave guide (25%).**

Consider the propagation of TM waves in a rectangular wave guide with its cross section in the x - y -plane and of inner dimensions a, b . Assume perfectly conducting surfaces, e^{+ikz} for the axial dependence, and $e^{-i\omega t}$ for the time dependence.

- (a) Calculate E^z .
- (b) Write down the lowest cut-off frequency.