



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

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**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE**

SCE 322: TRANSMISSION LINES AND WAVE GUIDES

DATE: Thursday 19th April 2012

TIME: 2.00p.m – 4.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (i) There are **Five** questions.
 - (ii) Question No.1 is **Compulsory** and carries **30 Marks**.
 - (iii) Select any **other Two** questions, each of which carries 20 Marks.
 - (iv) Define all symbols used.
 - (v) Marks will be awarded for procedure, methodologies used and not necessarily on the final answer.
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- Q1. (a) (i) Name the types of lines used in Transmission. (3 MARKS)
- (ii) Describe what a *Wave Guide* is and give the types of modes of propagation used. (3 MARKS)
- (ii) Given a receiving end impedance is $Z_R = 420 + j45 \Omega$ on a line whose characteristic impedance, Z_0 , is $100 + j0 \Omega$, derive the normalised receiving end impedance. (4 MARKS)
- (b) (i) Explain what Voltage Standing Wave Ratio (VSWR) is. (4 MARKS)
- (ii) For a typical Transmission Line, define:-
- 1. Reflection Coefficient, K. (2 MARKS)
 - 2. Transfer Impedance. (2 MARKS)
- (iii) What are MASERS and LASERS? (2 MARKS)

- (c) (i) Write the expression for the cut off frequency of TE mode propagated between parallel plates of length a and b equivalent to sides of a rectangular Wave Guide. (5 MARKS)
- (ii) With the aid of a suitable schematic diagram, explain how impedance matching on a Transmission Line is achieved using a Stub. (5 MARKS)
- Q2. Consider a 100Km telephone line which has $Z_0 = 685 - j92 \Omega$, $\alpha = 0.00497$ per km, $\beta = 0.0352$ radians per km at 1,000Hz. If the Line is terminated at $Z_R = 2000 + j0 \Omega$:-
- (i) Obtain the normalised receiving end impedance and indicate its location on the Smith Chart. (5 MARKS)
- (ii) Derive the receiving end and sending end reflection coefficient. (5 MARKS)
- (iii) Determine the normalised sending end impedance. (5 MARKS)
- (iv) Find the receiving end impedance of the Line. (5 MARKS)
- Q3. (a) (i) Distinguish between Transfer Impedance and Characteristic Impedance for a given Transmission Line. (4 MARKS)
- (ii) Show that a Transmission Line terminated at its Characteristic Impedance has no reflection. (6 MARKS)
- (b) (i) Define microwaves and show why special structures are necessary for their transmission. (7 MARKS)
- (ii) Using suitable schematic diagrams describe three methods of coupling energy in a wave guide. (3 MARKS)
- Q4. (a) Discuss the Electromagnetic Wave Theory. (8 MARKS)
- (b) Give the physical interpretation of the following Maxwell's equations:-
- (i) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, (ii) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = \rho$ (12 MARKS)
- Q5. (a) The transverse magnetic mode (TM_{mm}) is a the longitudinal field with $H_z = 0$ and E_z component given by:-
- $$E_z = E_0 \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{b}\right) e^{j(\omega t - \beta z)}$$
- Derive the following components:- E_z , E_y , H_x , and H_y . (14 MARKS)
- (b) Give Maxwell's equations for a conducting medium. (6 MARKS)

The Complete Smith Chart

Black Magic Design



