## Physics 712 Chapter 6 Problems

- 1. A wire along the z-axis has a current that turns on suddenly at t = 0, so the current density is  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x},t) = I\hat{\mathbf{z}}\delta(x)\delta(y)\theta(t)$ , where  $\theta(t)$  is the Heaviside function, with  $\theta(t<0)=0$  and  $\theta(t>0)=1$ . There is no charge density,  $\rho(\mathbf{x},t)=0$ .
  - (a) Working in Lorentz gauge, find A(x,t) in cylindrical coordinates.
  - (b) Find the electric and magnetic fields  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x},t)$  and  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x},t)$ .
- 2. For question 1, find the total energy flux per unit length flowing out of a cylinder of radius *a* centered on the *z*-axis as a function of time.
- 3. An oscillating point dipole with dipole moment  $\mathbf{p} = p\hat{\mathbf{z}}\sin(\omega t)$  at the origin results in scalar and vector potentials (in Lorentz gauge) at large r of approximately

$$\Phi = \frac{p\omega\cos\theta}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 rc}\cos(\omega t - \omega r/c), \quad \mathbf{A} = \frac{\mu_0 p\omega}{4\pi r}\cos(\omega t - \omega r/c)(\hat{\mathbf{r}}\cos\theta - \hat{\mathbf{\theta}}\sin\theta).$$

- (a) Find the leading order terms at large r for the electric and magnetic fields (these will be terms of order  $r^{-1}$ ). As a check, **E** should be entirely in the  $\hat{\theta}$  direction and **B** in the  $\hat{\phi}$  direction.
- (b) Find the total power flowing out of a sphere of radius r centered on the origin at large r.
- 4. Consider a cylinder of arbitrary cross-sectional shape, such as a square, circle, or other similar shape. This cylinder will be infinitely long in the *z*-direction. It will have a surface current *K*, with units A/m, running around it in a counter-clockwise direction as viewed from above.
  - (a) In which direction(s) can you translate this cylinder and leave it unchanged? What can you conclude about the resulting magnetic field?
  - (b) Across which plane can you reflect this current and leave it unchanged? Based on this, which components of the magnetic field must vanish?
- 5. Consider an infinite plane of surface current in the plane z = 0 flowing in the direction  $\mathbf{K} = K\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ , where K has units of A/m.
  - (a) Which direction(s) can you translate this current and leave it unchanged? What conclusions can you draw about the **B**-field?
  - (b) By reflecting this problem across the y = 0 plane, which of the components of **B** can you conclude must vanish?
  - (c) By reflecting this problem across the z = 0 plane, show that you can relate the field above the plane to the field below the plane.
  - (d) Using an appropriate Ampere loop, find  ${\bf B}$  everywhere.