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**B.M.S. COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, AUTONOMOUS**  
**BENGALURU – 560004**

**SEMESTER END EXAMINATION – SEPT/OCT 2023**

**M.Sc in Mathematics – 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**

**MAGNETOHYDRODYNAMICS**

**Course Code: MM407T**

**Duration: 3 Hours**

**QP Code: 14007**

**Max marks: 70**

**Instructions:** 1) All questions carry equal marks.  
 2) Answer any FIVE full questions.

1. (a) State and explain Faraday's law of induction and show that  $\nabla \times E = \frac{-\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$ , where the quantities have their usual meaning.  
 (b) Derive Gauss law for dielectric materials in its standard form. (7+7)
  
2. (a) Prove that the tangential component of the electric field is continuous across the Interface.  
 (b) Using Ampere's law deduce Vector potential, Scalar potential and Lorentz force. (7+7)
  
3. (a) Derive the equation of conservation of momentum in its usual form  
 (b) Derive the magnetic induction equation in the form  $\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\vec{q} \times \vec{B}) + \frac{1}{R_m} \nabla^2 \vec{B}$ , where the quantities have their usual meaning. (7+7)
  
4. (a) Explain the concept of frozen-in-phenomenon. Establish this fact by providing the appropriate theorem.  
 (b) Show that the angular velocity of a perfectly conducting fluid body rotating steadily about the axis of symmetry in a magnetic field does not change along the magnetic field lines. (7+7)
  
5. (a) Define force free magnetic field. Then prove the following.

(i) 
$$\alpha = \frac{\vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B})}{|\vec{B}|^2}$$

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$$\alpha = \frac{\vec{B} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B})}{|\nabla \times \vec{B}|^2}$$

(b) State and prove Chandrashekar's theorem on force free magnetic field.

(6+8)

6. (a) In an infinitely conducting fluid moves parallel to the vertical z-axis of the Cartesian coordinate system  $(x, y, z)$  with velocity  $w$  and the magnetic field lines act in y-direction and all the variables are independent of  $x$  and  $y$  the show that  $H$  and  $\rho$  satisfies the following equations

$$\frac{Dh}{Dt} = -H \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}.$$

(b) Explain Bennet pinch and any two instabilities associated with it.

(7+7)

7. (a) Derive an Alfven wave equation in an incompressible perfectly conducting fluid in the presence of a suitable magnetic field.

(b) Derive equations of equi-partition of energy by Alfven's waves.

(7+7)

8. Obtain the velocity and temperature distributions for one-dimensional Hartmann flow. Discuss the effect of magnetic field on the same.

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