

1st MNTES exam – Semester 1
November 18th, 2022. Duration: 1.5 h

*No document allowed. No mobile phone, no electronic devices (like apple watch). Non-programmable calculator allowed. The proposed grading scale is only indicative.
It is also reminded that the general clarity and cleanness of your paper may also be taken into account.*

Exercise 1 (10 points)

An electromagnetic wave is defined by its electric field \vec{E} and its magnetic field \vec{B} . Let \vec{n} be the unit vector giving the direction along which the electromagnetic wave propagates.

The vectors are such that: $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$, $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$ and $\vec{B} = \frac{1}{V} \vec{n} \times \vec{E}$ where V is the velocity of the wave along the direction of the unit vector \vec{n} .

1. (a) Schematically represent \vec{E} , \vec{B} and \vec{n} at the same point. You do not need to care about the vector lengths, but you need to explain the directions.
- (b) Give the relation between the length of \vec{B} and that of \vec{E} .

In the following, we consider a direct orthonormal basis $(O; \vec{e}_x, \vec{e}_y, \vec{e}_z)$. A vector \vec{k} , collinear to vector \vec{n} with the same direction, is defined as $\vec{k} = 0.3\vec{e}_x + 0.4\vec{e}_y$. Moreover, in this basis, $\vec{E} = E_z\vec{e}_z$.

2. Give the coordinates of \vec{n} .
3. Deduce the coordinates of \vec{B} .
4. Give the angle between \vec{B} and (Ox) , then the angle between \vec{B} and (Oz) (up to an angle π).
5. Make a scheme with the vectors \vec{E} , \vec{B} and \vec{n} correctly placed in the basis $(O; \vec{e}_x, \vec{e}_y, \vec{e}_z)$.
6. Determine a Cartesian equation of the plane containing the vectors \vec{E} and \vec{B} , and containing the point $A(2, 1, 0)$.
7. The power P of the wave passing through a surface of area S and of normal vector \vec{u} can be computed using the following expression:

$$P = S \left(\vec{E} \times \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{B} \right) \cdot \vec{u} \quad \text{where } \mu_0 \text{ is a constant}$$

- (a) Find a unit vector \vec{u} in the xy -plane , for which the power P is nil.
- (b) For $\vec{u} = \vec{e}_x$, express P as a function of S , E_z , V and μ_0 .

Exercise 2 (5 points + 1 bonus point)

In this exercise, i is the complex number verifying $i^2 = -1$.

Let z_1 , z_2 and z be three complex numbers such that

$$z_1 = \sqrt{2} + i\sqrt{2} \quad ; \quad z_2 = -2i \quad ; \quad \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{z_1} + \frac{1}{z_2}$$

1. Write z_1 and z_2 in their exponential forms.
2. Give the Cartesian form of z and highlight its real and its imaginary parts.
3. Deduce the modulus of z (the result should be given as a reduced fraction).
4. Show that $z = \frac{e^{-i\frac{\pi}{8}}}{\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)}$, with sufficient detail in the calculations.
(Hint: you may factorize the complex number $e^{i\theta} + e^{i\varphi}$ by $e^{i\frac{\theta+\varphi}{2}}$).
5. (bonus) From the previous questions, deduce the exact value of $\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}\right)$.

Exercise 3 (5 points + 1 bonus point)

Using an orthonormal direct basis $(O; \vec{e}_x, \vec{e}_y, \vec{e}_z)$, let $\overrightarrow{OM}(t) = x(t)\vec{e}_x + y(t)\vec{e}_y + z(t)\vec{e}_z$ be the position vector of a point $M(t)$, defined as:

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = a \cos(\omega t) \\ y(t) = a \sin(\omega t) \\ z(t) = -bt^2 + ct \\ t \in [0, 2] \end{cases}$$

with $a = 2$ m, $\omega = 2\pi$ rad.s⁻¹, $b = 1$ m.s⁻² and $c = 2$ m.s⁻¹.

1. Express the cylindrical coordinates of point M as a function of t .
2. Graph the trajectory of M in the plane (xOy) , as well as its altitude $z(t)$.
3. Give the Cartesian coordinates of the velocity vector $\vec{v} = \frac{d\overrightarrow{OM}}{dt}$, then compute its value $\|\vec{v}\|$ at time $t = 0.5$ s.
Knowing that \vec{e}_z is directed upwards, does point M move upwards or downwards? Explain your answer.
4. (bonus) Determine the maximum distance between the origin O of the basis and point $M(t)$ for $t \in [0, 2]$.