



1a) (15%) What are the electric flux density  $\vec{D}$ , electric field intensity  $\vec{E}$ , and voltage difference  $V_a \equiv V(-d/2) - V(d/2)$  between the conducting plates? What is the corresponding capacitance  $C_a$ ? (*Hint*: Use Gauss's law or the boundary condition  $D_{1n} - D_{2n} = \rho_s$ . Capacitance is defined as  $C \equiv Q/V$ .)

1b) (10%) Place a small <u>conducting</u> sphere (with radius  $b \ll d$ ) around (x, z) = (0,0) (Fig. 1b). Are the voltage difference  $V_c \equiv V(-d/2) - V(d/2)$  and the capacitance  $C_c$  in the presence of a conducting sphere <u>larger or smaller</u> than  $V_a$  and  $C_a$  calculated in Problem 1a, respectively? Justify your answer.  (15 %) Please give an explanation why the guided wave is confined in the rib region, as shown in the following figure. Consider the refractive indices n1 > n2 > n3.



3. (10%) A metallic planar waveguide is shown as follow. What is the frequency range so that only one TE guided mode exists? Suppose the metal is a perfect conductor.



- 4. (30%) The electric field intensity of a harmonic electromagnetic wave in vacuum is given by  $\vec{E} = \hat{x}E_0 \cos(\omega t - kz + \phi)$ , where  $\hat{x}$  is a unit vector along the *x* direction,  $E_0$  is a constant, *t* is a temporal variable, *z* is spatial variable, and  $\phi$  is the starting phase.
  - (1) Prove that the wavelength of this wave is  $2\pi/k$ . (2%)
  - (2) Prove that the frequency of this wave is  $2\pi/\omega$ . (2%)
  - (3) Prove that the phase velocity of this wave is  $\omega/k$ . (2%)
  - (4) Prove that the wavefront of this wave is a plane. (3%)
  - (5) Derive <u>from Maxwell's equations</u> the expression of the magnetic field intensity of this wave.(3%)
  - (6) Suppose the region  $z \ge 0$  is filled with a perfect conductor.
    - a. What is the expression of the reflected electric field intensity in the region  $z \le 0$ ? (3%)
    - b. What is the expression of the reflected magnetic field intensity in the region  $z \le 0$ ? (3%)

- c. What is the <u>total</u> time-averaged Poynting vector in the region  $z \le 0$ ? A quick answer from physical arguments is acceptable. (3%)
- (7) Suppose the region  $z \ge 0$  is filled with a lossless, nonmagnetic dielectric with a relative permittivity of  $\varepsilon_r > 1$ .
  - a. What is the expression of the reflected electric field intensity in the region  $z \le 0$ ? (3%)
  - b. What is the expression of the reflected magnetic field intensity in the region  $z \le 0$ ? (3%)
  - c. What is the <u>total</u> time-averaged Poynting vector in the region  $z \le 0$ ? A quick answer from physical arguments is acceptable. (3%)
- 5. (10%) (a) Do the boundary conditions derived for electrostatics and magnetostatics remain valid for time-varying fields? Please explain your reasoning. (b) Please use Maxwell's equations to derive the boundary conditions of  $\vec{B}$  for an interface between two media with permittivity  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$ . (No credit is given to a correct answer without any explanation or derivation.)
- (10%) (a) What is a transmission line? When should transmission line effects be considered? (b) For a lossless transmission line, λ=20.7 cm at 1 GHz, please find the relative permittivity ε<sub>r</sub> of the insulating material.