PHYS 704 - Test 2.

- 1. [8 points] A current of amplitude 1 A and frequency 100 MHz flows through a circular loop of diameter 1 m. Find the total power radiated (in W) and the radiation resistance of the antenna (in ohms). What is the direction of the polarization of the radiation at a point in the plane of the loop but thousands of radii away?
- 2. [4 points] Radar is reflected off rain. Assume that a raindrop is a sphere of radius a, small compared to the wavelength of radar, and has a frequency-independent dielectric constant ε. What is the dependence of the radar echo intensity on the raindrop size a, the radar frequency ω, and the distance R of the rainfall region from the radar station (which radiates and then receives the echo). [Derivations and explanations can be kept to a minimum.]
- 3. [8 points] Use the Lorentz transformation to derive length contraction and time dilation. An explanation of what you are doing, in each reference frame, is critical. Correct equations without complete explanations will not receive significant credit.