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Seventh Semester, B.E. - Electrical and Electronics Engineering Semester End Examination; Dec. - 2014 High Voltage Engineering

Time: 3 hrs Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO full questions from each part.

PART - A

1. a.	Explain the need for generate high voltages in the laboratory. Mention important applications	10
	of high voltages and also advantages.	10
b.	Explain the breakdown in non uniform fields and Paschen's law.	10
2 a.	Explain thermal breakdown in solids.	7
b.	Explain bubble's theory as applied to liquid dielectric breakdown.	7
c.	Discuss time lags of breakdown.	6
3 a.	What are special features of high voltage testing transformer?	4
b.	Explain the working of cascade connection of transformers for HVAC generation.	8
c.	Explain the working of a Tesla coil with equivalent circuit and output waveform.	8
4 a.	With a neat diagram describe the principle of operation of a Van de Graff generator	8
b.	Derive expressions for average ripple, voltage drop and regulation in a voltage multiplies	0
	circuit for HVDC generation.	8
c.	Why Tesla coils have poor energy efficiency. A Tesla coil has - primary side capacitance of	
	$2~\mu F.$ secondary side capacitance of 1nF and output voltage of 31.6 kV. Find the energy	4
	efficiency of the coil.	
	PART - B	
5 a.	Define lightning and switching impulse voltages. Draw the waveforms.	4
b.	What is the principle of impulse voltage generation? Explain the working of a multistage	10
	impulse voltage generator.	10
c.	A 12 stage impulse generator has 0.126 μF capacitors. The wave front and wave tail resistors	
	are 800 Ω and 5000 Ω respectively. Find the front and tail times of the impulse wave if load	6
	capacitor is 1000 pF.	
6. a	Explain standard sphere gap measurements for HVAC and factors affecting the	10
	measurements.	10
b.	What is a potential divider? Explain capacitance divider for HVAC measurements.	10

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7. a.	What is Corana? Explain dielectric loss and loss angle measurement using scheming bridge.	10
b.	Explain tests on Transformers and circuit breaker.	10
8.	Write short notes on:	
	(i) Breakdown in electronegative gases	
	(ii) Trigation gap for impulse generator triggering.	20
	(iii) Construction and working of electrostatic voltmeter.	
	(iv) Discharge detection methods.	

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