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Fifth Semester, B.E. - Electrical and Electronics Engineering

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Power Electronics

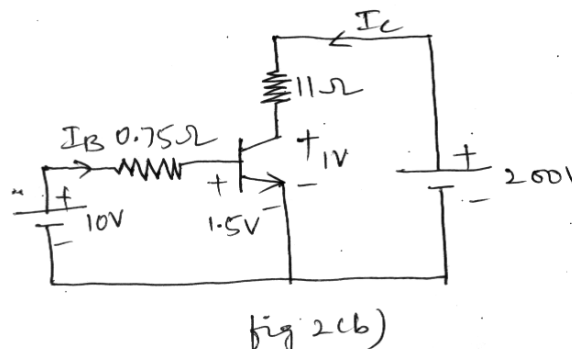
Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer **FIVE** full questions, selecting **ONE** full question from each unit.

UNIT - I

- 1 a. Explain the control characteristics of; 8
 (i) SCR (ii) GTO (iii) MCT (iv) IGBT.
- b. Sketch and explain the switching characteristics of power MOSFET. 8
- c. List any four applications of Power electronics. 4
- 2 a. Explain any four power electronic converter circuits with their circuit, input and output waveforms. 8
- b. For the transistor switch of fig 2(b);
 (i) Calculate forced Beta (β_f) of transistor
 (ii) If the manufacturer's specified β is in the range of 8 to 40, calculate the minimum Over Drive Factor (ODF)
 (iii) Obtain the power loss p_T of the transistor



- c. Suggest suitable remedial measures to reduce peripheral effects caused by power devices. 4

UNIT - II

- 3 a. Explain the various methods that are used to turn on thyristors. 8
- b. Calculate the required parameters for the snubber circuit to provide, $\frac{dv}{dt}$ protection to a SCR used in single phase bridge converter. The SCR has a minimum $\frac{dv}{dt}$ capability of 60 V/ μ s. The input line to line voltage has a peak value of 425 V and the source inductance is 0.2 mH. 6
- c. Explain anti saturation control of power BJT. 6
- 4 a. Explain the two transistor analogy of an SCR. Derive an expression for anode current of SCR. 6
- b. With a neat circuit diagram and waveform, explain RC firing circuit of SCR. 6
- c. Ten thyristors are used in a string to withstand a dc voltage of $V_S = 15$ kV. The maximum leakage current and recovery charge differences of thyristors are 10 mA and 150 μ C. Each SCR has a voltage sharing resistance of $R = 56$ k Ω and capacitance of $C_1 = 0.5$ μ F. 8

Determine;

- (i) Maximum steady state voltage sharing $V_{DS(MAX)}$
- (ii) The steady state voltage sharing derating factor
- (iii) Maximum transient voltage sharing $V_{DT(MAX)}$
- (iv) Transient voltage sharing derating factor.

UNIT - III

- 5 a. Explain resonant pulse commutation with a neat circuit and waveforms. 8
- b. With relevant circuit and waveforms, explain phase control and derive the expression for output voltage. 8
- c. Differentiate between Natural and Forced commutation. 4
- 6 a. Define commutation. What are the conditions for successful commutation? 6
- b. With relevant circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of single phase full wave controller with R-load. 8
- c. The complementary commutation circuit has load resistances of $R_1 = R_2 = R = 5 \Omega$, capacitance, $C = 10 \mu F$ and supply voltage, $V_S = 100 V$. Determine the circuit t_{off} time. 6

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Explain the principle of operation of step down chopper with R load. Also derive the expression for Average output voltage, $V_{0(av)}$ and $V_{0(rms)}$, rms output voltage. 8
- b. Explain the performance parameters of Inverters. 6
- c. A step down chopper with RL load has a load resistance of $R = 0.25 \Omega$, input voltage $V_S = 550 V$ and a battery voltage, $E = 0 V$. The average load current $I_a = 200 A$, and chopping frequency, $f = 250 Hz$. Using the average output voltage, calculate the load inductance L, which would limit the maximum load ripple current to 10% of I_a . 6
- 8 a. Briefly explain the classification of choppers. 8
- b. With relevant circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of three phase bridge Inverter for 120° mode of operation. 6
- c. List the different voltage control techniques of Inverters. Also explain Sinusoidal Pulse Width Modulation (SPWM) technique. 6

UNIT - V

- 9 a. With a neat circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of single phase semiconverter with inductive load. 8
- b. With a relevant circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of three phase Halfwave converter. 6
- c. The single phase full converter with RL load having $L = 6.5 mH$, $R = 0.5 \Omega$ and $E = 10 V$. The input voltage is $V_S = 120 V$ at (rms) 60 Hz. Determine;
 - (i) The load current I_{LO} at $\omega t = \alpha = 60^\circ$ 6
 - (ii) The average thyristor current I_A
 - (iii) The rms thyristor current I_R
 - (iv) The rms output current I_{rms} .
- 10 a. With relevant circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of 1ϕ dual converter. 8
- b. With relevant circuit and waveforms, explain the operation of single phase 'Half wave converter'. Also derive the expression for $V_{a(rms)}$. 8
- c. List the advantages of freewheeling diode. 4