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

Semester End Examination; Dec - 2016/Jan - 2017

Power Electronics

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

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

ii) Assume missing data if any.

UNIT - I

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| 1 a. | List the major types of power electronic circuits and mention in each case, the type of input supply given and the output we get. | 8 |
| | b. Mention two applications of each power electronic converter. | 6 |
| | c. What are the peripheral effects of power electronic equipment? | 6 |
| 2 a. | With neat wave forms, explain the switching characteristics of Power B.J.T. | 8 |
| | b. List the merits, demerits and applications of MOSFETs. | 9 |
| | c. Compare BJT and IGBT. | 3 |

UNIT - II

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| 3 a. | What is $\frac{di}{dt}$ and $\frac{dv}{dt}$? How power electronic devices are protected against $\frac{di}{dt}$ and $\frac{dv}{dt}$? | 8 |
| | b. What is isolation? Why isolation is necessary in power electronic circuits? Explain in brief. | 5 |
| | c. Explain the typical gate drive circuit for MOSFET. | 7 |
| 4 a. | Using two transistor analogy explain the principle of switching on of an SCR. | 8 |
| | b. A SCR is connected in series with a 0.5 H inductor and 20 Ω resistance. A 100 V DC voltage is applied to this circuit. If the latching current of the SCR is 4 mA, find the maximum width of the gate triggering pulse required to properly turn - ON the SCR. | 5 |
| | c. Briefly explain the necessity of series and parallel connection of thyristors. | 7 |

UNIT - III

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| 5 a. | Distinguish between natural commutation and forced commutation for SCR with illustrative examples. | 10 |
| | b. Explain with the help of a circuit and relevant wave forms, the commutation of SCR using an LC circuit. | 10 |
| 6 a. | What is AC voltage controller? Explain two types of AC voltage control. | 5 |
| | b. Derive an expression for R.M.S. and average value of output voltage for 1- ϕ half wave controller. | 10 |
| | c. What are the advantages and disadvantages of ON-OFF control used in AC voltage controllers? | 5 |

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Derive an expression for average and r.m.s. value of the load voltage for the step down chopper having inductive load. 10
- b. A chopper circuit drives an inductive load from 200 V DC supply. Given the load resistance as 4Ω , the average load current as 30 A and operating frequency is 400 Hz. Compute the ON period and OFF period of the chopper. Also determine the duty cycle of the chopper. 10
- 8 a. Explain the operation of a 1- ϕ full wave bridge inverter. 10
- b. Explain 120° mode of 3- ϕ inverters with the help of wave forms. 10

UNIT - V

- 9 a. Derive an expression for average value of o/p voltage for 1- ϕ half wave controlled rectifier for RL load and freewheeling diode. 10
- b. A 1- ϕ half wave converter is operated from a 120 V, 50 Hz supply and the load resistance $R = 10 \Omega$. If the average output voltage is 25% of the maximum possible average o/p voltage, calculate: 10
- i) Delay angle α
- ii) Average of r.m.s. output currents
- iii) Average and r.m.s. thyristor currents.
- 10 a. What is a dual converter? Draw the power circuit arrangement of a 1 ϕ dual converter. What are the applications of dual converters? 10
- b. Derive the expression for average o/p voltage of 3 ϕ half wave converter for highly inductive load. 6
- c. What are the advantages of 3- ϕ rectifiers over single phase rectifier circuits? 4

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