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

Semester End Examination; Jan. / Feb. - 2021

High Voltage Engineering

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

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

UNIT - I

- 1 a. Discuss the need for generation of high voltages in laboratory and mention the applications of high voltages in laboratory. 8
- b. Derive an expression for growth of current in gaseous medium under uniform field condition assuming both Townsend's first and second ionization process to be in progress. 8
- c. Discuss the time lag of breakdown in gas discharge. 4
- 2 a. Explain Streamer's theory of breakdown in gas medium under uniform field conditions. 8
- b. Explain Bubbles theory of breakdown in liquid dielectrics. 6
- c. Explain breakdown due to internal discharges in solid dielectrics. 6

UNIT - II

- 3 a. Explain with neat sketch, three stage cascade connection of transformer for producing HVAC. 10
- b. Derive an expression for ripple voltage and regulation using Cockroft-Walton voltage multiplier circuit. 10
- 4 a. What is Tesla coil? How is damped high frequency oscillations obtained from a Tesla coil? 8
- b. A ten stage Cockroft-Walton circuit has all capacitors of $0.06 \mu\text{F}$. The secondary voltage of the supply transformer is 100 kV at a frequency of 150 Hz. If the load current is 1 mA, determine; 8
- i) Voltage drop
- ii) Ripple voltage
- iii) Optimum number of stages
- c. Mention the advantages of Resonant transformers. 4

UNIT - III

- 5 a. Define; i) Standard lightning impulse voltage wave 10
- ii) Standard switching impulse voltage wave
- b. With a neat sketch, explain the working of four stage Marx's impulse generator circuit and also explain the components of multistage impulse generator. 10
- 6 a. An impulse generator has eight stages with each condenser rated for $0.16 \mu\text{F}$ and at 125 kV. The load capacitance available is 1000 pF. Find the series resistance and damping resistance needed to produce $1.2/50 \mu\text{s}$ impulse wave. What is the maximum output voltage of the generator, if the charging voltage is 120 kV? 7

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- b. Explain Trigatron gap method for triggering an impulse generator. 6
- c. Describe the method of generation of impulse currents. Derive the related mathematical formulae. How are the capacitors arranged in such circuits? 7

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. With a neat sketch, explain the construction and working principle of an electro static voltmeter employed for measurement of high AC voltages. 10
- b. List the chief sources of errors in potential dividers for impulse voltage measurements. Describe the method of measurement of impulse voltages using potential dividers. 10
- 8 a. Explain the working principle of series capacitor peak voltmeter based on Chubb-Frotschue method. 8
- b. Explain the various factors that affect spark over voltage of sphere gap. 8
- c. A generating voltmeter has to be designed so that it can have a range from 20 to 200 kV DC. If the indicating meter reads a minimum current of $2 \mu\text{A}$ and maximum current of $25 \mu\text{A}$, what should be the capacitance of generating voltmeter? Assume driving motor Synchronous speed as 1500 rpm. 4

UNIT - V

- 9 a. Briefly explain the factors affecting the discharge detection. 5
- b. What are the partial discharges? Explain the straight detection method principle for discharge detection. 10
- c. A Schering bridge was used to measure the capacitance and loss angle of a HV bushing. At balance, the observations were; 5
- The value of the standard condenser = 100 pF , $R_3 = 3180 \Omega$, $C_3 = 0.00125 \text{ Micro F}$ and $R_4 = 636 \Omega$. What are the values of capacitance and tan delta of the bushing?
- 10 a. Explain the high voltage Schering bridge used for capacitance and loss tangent measurements. 10
- b. Discuss the various tests conducted on insulators. 10

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