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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Feb./Mar. 2022 High Voltage Engineering

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Define Townsend's first and second ionization coefficient. Derive an expression for current growth in gas discharge considering secondary emission. (08 Marks)
- b. Explain Paschen's law with breakdown voltage Pd curve. (04 Marks)
- c. In an experiment in a certain gas as it was found that the steady state current is 5.5×10^{-8} A at 8KV at a distance of 0.4cm between the plane electrode. Keeping the field constant and reducing the distance to 0.1cm result in a current of 5.5×10^{-9} A calculate Townsend's primary ionization coefficient α . (04 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. What is meant by corona discharge? Explain the break down in electronegative gases. (04 Marks)
- b. Explain any two theories that explain breakdown mechanism in commercial liquid. (08 Marks)
- c. Write the breakdown mechanism in solid dielectric by electromechanical breakdown concept. (04 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Explain with neat figure how cascade transformer generate high AC voltage. (06 Marks)
- b. Explain the principle of operation of a resonant transformer. (06 Marks)
- c. A Cockcroft Walton-type voltage multiplier has 8 stage with capacitance all equal to $0.05 \mu\text{F}$ the supply transformer secondary voltage is 125KV at a frequency of 150Hz. If the load current to be supplied is 5mA find : i) the parentage ripple ii) regulation iii) optimum number of stages for minimum regulation. (04 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Explain the Marx circuit arrangement for multistage impulse generator. (10 Marks)
- b. An impulse generator has 8 stage with each condenser rated for 0.16 pf and 125KV. The load capacitor available is 1000pf. Find the series resistance and damping resistance needed to produce 1.2/50 μsec impulse wave what is maximum output voltage of generator if the charging voltage is 120KV. (06 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Explain with neat diagram how high voltage can be measured using electrostatic voltmeter. (06 Marks)
- b. Describe in detail how peak AC voltage is measured using Chubb and Fortescue circuit. (05 Marks)
- c. Explain the factors that influence the measurement using sphere gap. (05 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Explain the method of high voltage DC measurement by using high ohmic series resistance with microammeter. (05 Marks)
b. With neat diagram, explain principle of generating voltmeter. (06 Marks)
c. Write short note on mixed RC potential divider. (05 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. What is meant by insulation coordination? How are the protective device chosen for optimal insulation level in power system? (08 Marks)
b. Explain the following :
i) Surge arrestors
ii) Characteristics of switching surges. (08 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. What are the natural causes for overvoltage lightning phenomenon. (08 Marks)
b. Explain power frequency overvoltage in power system. (08 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Describe the method of measuring capacitance and $\tan \delta$ using HV Schering bridge. (08 Marks)
b. Explain the method of balanced detection for locating partial discharge in electrical equipment. (08 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Explain in detail the testing of circuit breaker and insulators. (08 Marks)
b. What are the test on transform and explain in detail impulse test of transformer. (08 Marks)
