

Fifth Semester B.E. Deg

Time 3 hrs

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High Voltage Engineering

Max. Marks: 100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

2. Assume missing data suitably.

Module-1

- a. Mention the desired properties of gaseous dielectric for HV applications. Give any three examples of gaseous dielectric. (06 Marks)
 - b. Derive an expression for the current in the air gap, that is $I = I_0 e^{\alpha d}$, considering Townsend's first ionization coefficient. (08 Marks)
 - c. In an experiment in a certain gas, it was found that the steady state current is 5.5×10⁻⁸ A at 8 kV at a distance of 0.4 cm between the plane electrodes. Keeping the field constant and reducing the distance to 0.1 cm results in a current of 5.5×10⁻⁹ A. Calculate Townsend's primary ionization coefficient α.

OR

2 a. State and explain Paschen's law.

(06 Marks)

- b. Explain the following breakdown mechanism in solid:
 - (i) Streamer breakdown (ii) Electro mechanical breakdown.
- (14 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Explain the need for generation of very high voltages in the laboratory. (06 Marks)
 - b. Explain with a neat sketch, how cascade transformers generates high ac voltages (show 3 stages). (08 Marks)
 - Explain the principle of operation of a resonant transformer.

(06 Marks)

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- 4 a. With a neat sketch, explain the Marx circuit arrangement for multistage impulse generator.
 (08 Marks)
 - b. What is a Tesla coil? How are damped high frequency oscillations can be obtained using the Tesla coil? (06 Marks)
 - c. A cock craft Walton type voltage multiplier has eight stages with capacitances, all equal to $0.05~\mu F$. The supply transformer secondary voltage is 125~kV at a frequency of 150~Hz. If the load current to be supplied is 5~mA, find (i) Percentage ripple (ii) The regulation.

(06 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Explain the principle of operation of an electrostatic voltmeter for measurement of very high dc and ac voltages. (10 Marks)
 - b. With a schematic diagram, explain the principle of operation of a generating voltmeter. What are its advantages and limitations? (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Explain how Chubb and Fortescne circuit can be used to measure the peak value of ac voltages. (08 Marks)
 - b. Explain the factors influencing the sparkover voltages of sphere gaps. (06 Marks)
 - c. With a neat sketch, explain the working of Rogowski coil for high impulse current measurement. (06 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Explain different theories of charge formation in clouds. (10 Marks)
 - b. What is a surge arrestor? Explain its function as a shunt protective device, with a neat sketch. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Explain the following:
 - (i) Rod gaps used as protective devices.
 - (ii) Ground wires for protection of overhead lines.
 - b. Explain with suitable figures the principle and functioning of,
 - (i) Expulsion gaps
 - (ii) Protector tubes.



Module-5

- 9 a. Explain the method of measuring capacitance and tan delta using Schering bridge. (10 Marks)
 - b. Discuss the method of discharge detection using straight detector method. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. What are the various tests done on transformers? Explain in detail impulse testing of transformer. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain in detail the testing of, (i) Circuit breaker and (ii) Insulators. (10 Marks)