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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2011
High Voltage Engineering

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.
 2. Assume suitable any missing data.

PART – A

- 1 a. What are the advantages of high voltage transmission? (06 Marks)
- b. Derive the criterion for breakdown in electronegative gases. (08 Marks)
- c. Mention the important applications of high voltages. (06 Marks)
- 2 a. Explain the various theories that explain break down in commercial liquid dielectrics. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the mechanism of electromechanical and thermal breakdown in solid dielectrics. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain the scheme for cascade connection of transformer for producing very high voltages. (10 Marks)
- b. What is a Tesla coil? How are the damped high frequency oscillations obtained from a tesla coil. (10 Marks)
- 4 a. Give the expression for ripple and regulation in voltage multiplier circuits. (10 Marks)
- b. A ten stage Cockraft - Walton circuit has all capacitors of $0.06 \mu\text{F}$. The secondary voltage of the supply transformer is 10kV at a frequency of 150 Hz . If the load current is 1 mA , determine i) Voltage regulation ; ii) The ripple ; iii) The optimum number of stages for maximum o/p voltage ; iv) The maximum o/p voltage. (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. Describe the construction, principle of operation of a multistage mark impulse generator. (10 Marks)
- b. What is trigatron gap? Explain its function and operation. (06 Marks)
- c. A 10 stage impulse generator has $0.250 \mu\text{F}$ condenser. The wave front and wave tail resistance are 75Ω and 2600Ω respectively with the load capacitance 2.5 nF . Determine the wave front and wave tail time of the impulse wave. (04 Marks)
- 6 a. Explain the principle and construction of an electrostatic voltmeter for very high voltages. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain how a sphere gap can be used to measure the peak value of voltages. What are the factors and parameters that influence such voltage measurement? (10 Marks)
- 7 a. With a neat sketch, explain the function of klydonograph. (08 Marks)
- b. What is mixed potential divider? How it is used for impulse voltage measurement. (08 Marks)
- 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 the capacitance of generating voltmeter. Assume driving motor has a syn speed of 1500 rpm . (04 Marks)
- 8 a. Discuss the method of balanced detection for locating partial discharges in electrical equipment. (08 Marks)
- b. A Schering bridge was used to measure the capacitance and loss angle of an H.V. bushing. At balance, the observations were : the value of standard condenser = loop F, $R_3 = 3180 \Omega$, $C_3 = 0.00125 \mu\text{F}$ and $R_4 = 636 \Omega$. What are the values of capacitance and $\tan \delta$ of the bushing? (04 Marks)
- c. What are the different tests are conducted on bushings, explain briefly. (08 Marks)