

**AMIETE – ET (OLD SCHEME)**

Time: 3 Hours

**JUNE 2012**

Max. Marks: 100

*PLEASE WRITE YOUR ROLL NO. AT THE SPACE PROVIDED ON EACH PAGE IMMEDIATELY AFTER RECEIVING THE QUESTION PAPER.*

**NOTE: There are 9 Questions in all.**

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q.1 must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.
- The answer sheet for the Q.1 will be collected by the invigilator after 45 Minutes of the commencement of the examination.
- Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.
- Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.

**Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2×10)**

- a. An IGBT has three terminals called
- (A) Collector, emitter and gate
  - (B) Collector, emitter and base
  - (C) Drain, source and gate
  - (D) Drain, source and base.
- b. When a thyristor gets turned on, the gate drive
- (A) Should not be removed as it will turn-off the SCR
  - (B) May or may not be removed
  - (C) Should be removed
  - (D) Should be removed in order to avoid increased losses and higher junction Temperature
- c. The effect of source inductance on the performance of single-phase and three-phase full converters is to
- (A) Reduce the ripples in the load current.
  - (B) Make discontinuous current as continuous
  - (C) Reduce the output voltage
  - (D) Increase the load voltage
- d. In dc choppers, if T is the chopping period, then output voltage can be controlled by PWM by varying
- (A) T keeping  $T_{on}$  constant
  - (B)  $T_{on}$  keeping T constant
  - (C)  $T_{off}$  keeping T constant
  - (D) Both (B) and (C)

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- e. A single-phase CSI has capacitor C as the load. For a constant source current, the voltage across the capacitor is
- (A) Square wave (B) Triangular wave  
(C) Step function (D) Pulsed wave
- f. A load resistance of  $10\Omega$  is fed through a 1-phase voltage controller from a voltage source of  $200 \sin 314t$ . For a firing angle delay of  $90^\circ$ , the power to load delivered in kW is
- (A) 0.5 (B) 0.75  
(C) 1.0 (D) 2.0
- g. A cycloconverter is a
- (A) Frequency changer ( $f_c$ ) from higher to lower frequency with one state conversion  
(B)  $f_c$  from higher to lower frequency with two state conversion  
(C)  $f_c$  from lower to higher frequency with one state conversion  
(D) Either (A) or (C)
- h. A four quadrant operation requires
- (A) Two full converters in series  
(B) Two full converters connected back to back  
(C) Two full converters connected in parallel  
(D) Two semi-converters connected back to back
- i. In a 3-phase semi-converter, the three SCRs are triggered at an interval of
- (A)  $60^\circ$  (B)  $90^\circ$   
(C)  $120^\circ$  (D)  $180^\circ$
- j. In dc choppers, the waveforms for input and output voltages are respectively
- (A) Discontinuous, continuous (B) Both continuous.  
(C) Both discontinuous (D) Continuous, discontinuous

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Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.

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- Q.2** a. Snubber circuit for an SCR should primarily consist of capacitor only. But, in actual practice, a resistor is used in series with the capacitor. Discuss. (8)
- b. Explain resistance and resistance-capacitance firing circuits. How is it different from UJT firing circuit? (8)
- Q.3** a. Explain dual converter both in circulating and non circulating modes with circuit diagram and waveforms (8)
- b. A single phase voltage controller feeds power to a resistive load of 3 from 230 V, 50 Hz source. Calculate:

- (i) The maximum values of average and rms thyristor currents for any firing angle  $\alpha$ ,  
(ii) The minimum circuit turnoff time for any firing angle  $\alpha$ . (8)
- Q.4** a. Discuss the principle of step down chopper. Explain its working with RL load. (8)
- b. Explain the working of impulse commutated chopper with appropriate circuit diagram and waveforms. (8)
- Q.5** a. Distinguish clearly between voltage commutation and current commutation in thyristor circuits. Also discuss how the voltage across the commutating capacitor is reversed in a commutating circuit. (8)
- b. What are the advantages of voltage source inverter fed drives? (8)
- Q.6** a. Draw the waveforms of source voltage, gating signals, output voltage, source and output currents and voltage across one SCR for a single phase voltage controller feeding a resistive load. Explain the working with the help of these waveforms. (8)
- b. Draw and explain the three phases half wave converter (3-pulse) circuit with input and output voltage waveforms for firing angle 30 degree and R,L load. Also derive output voltage expression. (8)
- Q.7** a. A 3-phase VSI feeds three-phase star connected resistive load. Obtain the output phase and line voltage if three SCRs conduct at a time. (180 degree mode) (8)
- b. What is pulse width modulation in concern with inverter? List the various PWM techniques. How do these differ from each other? (8)
- Q.8** a. What is the principle of operation of cycloconverters? Explain the effect of load inductance on the performance of cycloconverters. (8)
- b. A 3-phase to single-phase cycloconverter employs 3-pulse positive and negative group converters. Each converter is supplied from delta/star transformer with per phase turns ratio of 2:1. The supply voltage is 400 V, 50 Hz. The RL load has  $R=2\Omega$  and at low output frequency,  $\omega L = 1.5 \Omega$ . In order to account for commutation overlap and thyristor turn-off time, the firing angle in the inversion mode should not exceed  $160^\circ$ . Compute  
(i) The value of the fundamental rms output voltage,  
(ii) Rms output current and  
(iii) Output power. (8)
- Q.9** Write short note on: (any **TWO**)  
(i) Chopper Circuit design.  
(ii) Voltage control of three-phase Inverter  
(iii) Industrial applications of DC and AC Drive. (8×2)