

**B.Tech. - VIEP - ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
(BTELVI)**

00553 **Term-End Examination**
December, 2016

BIEE-024 : POWER ELECTRONICS

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Attempt any seven questions. All questions carry equal marks. Missing data may be suitably assumed. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.

1. (a) Draw and explain the characteristics of Power MOSFET. 5
(b) What are the differences between BJTs and IGBTs ? 5

2. What is reverse recovery charge (Q_{RR}) of the power semiconductor diode ? The reverse recovery time of a diode is $t_{rr} = 3 \mu s$ and the rate of fall of the diode current is $di/dt = 30 A/\mu s$. Determine
(a) the storage charge Q_{RR} , and
(b) the peak reverse current I_{RR} . 4+6

3. (a) Draw and explain the I - V characteristics of a thyristor. 5
(b) Explain di/dt protection of a thyristor. 5

4. (a) Explain the principle of a single-phase thyristor converter with a resistive load. 5
- (b) Why is the power factor of semi-converters better than that of full converters ? Differentiate between semi-converters and full converters. 5
5. In a single-phase full converter, the reduction in the output voltage due to the effect of source inductance is 3 volts. The load current I_o is continuous and ripple-free equal to 100 Amp. Find the value of source inductance L_S and overlap angle μ , if the supply voltage is 230 V, 50 Hz and $\alpha = \pi/6$. 10
6. (a) Explain the working of cycloconverters. What are the advantages and disadvantages of cycloconverters ? 5
- (b) Explain the operation of a step-down chopper with necessary circuit diagram and waveforms. 5
7. Discuss the operation of a single-phase half bridge inverter with necessary circuit diagram and waveforms. The single-phase half bridge inverter using transistors has a resistive load of 2 Ω . The DC supply is 24 V. Calculate : 10
- (a) RMS output voltage at fundamental frequency
- (b) Output power
- (c) Average and peak load current

8. What are the various techniques of harmonic reduction in PWM (Pulse Width Modulation) inverters? 10
9. (a) Explain the need of commutation in a thyristor circuit. Describe any one type of commutation technique. 5
- (b) Discuss the operation of switching mode regulators with necessary diagrams and waveforms. 5
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : $2 \times 5 = 10$
- (a) Impulse Commutation
- (b) Series and Parallel Operation of Thyristors
- (c) Dual Converters
- (d) Effect of Source Inductance in Converters
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