

**Fourth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June / July 08**  
**Power Electronics**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note : Answer any FIVE full questions.**

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  - a. List the major type of power electronic circuits and mention in each case the type of input supply given and the output obtained. (08 Marks)
  - b. What are the peripheral effects of power electronic components and equipments? How to eliminate them? (06 Marks)
  - c. Explain control characteristics of GTO, MCT, SITH with the help of waveforms and circuit diagrams (06 Marks)
- 2
  - a. Explain the terms over drive factor (ODF) and forced beta ( $\beta_f$ ) for a power transistor in switching application. (04 Marks)
  - b. Name and explain various switching limits in case of power BJTS. With a circuit diagram, explain antisaturation control of BJT. Mention the improvement and drawback of this arrangement. (08 Marks)
  - c. Explain different methods of providing gate and base drive isolation. (08 Marks)
- 3
  - a. Using two transistor model, explain how a small gate current can turn ON a SCR when blocking forward voltage? (06 Marks)
  - b. Brief the working principle of a VJT relaxation oscillator with the help of a circuit diagram and show period of oscillation  $T \approx RC \log_e \left( \frac{1}{1-\eta} \right)$ . (06 Marks)
  - c. The input voltage of fig.Q3(c) is  $V_s = 200V$  with load resistance of  $R = 5\Omega$ . The load and stray inductances are negligible. The thyristor is operated at a frequency of  $f_s = 2 \text{ kHz}$ . If the required  $\frac{dv}{dt} = 100V/\mu\text{sec}$  and the discharge current is to be limited to 100A, determine i) the value of  $R_s$  and  $C_s$ , ii) the snubber loss and iii) the power rating of the snubber resistor. (08 Marks)

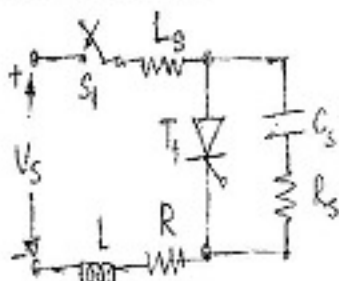


Fig. Q3(c)

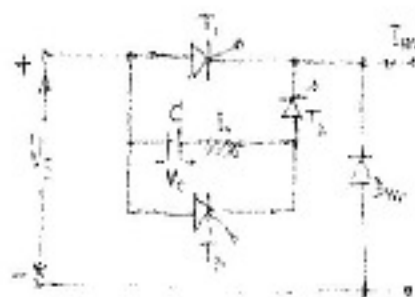


Fig. 4(c)

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  - a. What is commutation? Distinguish between turn-off time made available by the commutation circuit and turn-off time of the device. (04 Marks)
  - b. Explain the working of an auxiliary commutation circuit to turn off a thyristor with the help of a circuit diagram and relevant waveforms. (08 Marks)
  - c. The resonant pulse commutation circuit in Fig.4(c) has a capacitance  $C = 30 \mu\text{F}$  and inductance  $L = 4\mu\text{H}$ . The initial capacitor voltage is  $V_0 = 200V$ . Determine the circuit turn off time ' $t_{off}$ ' if the load current  $I_m$  is i) 250 A ii) 50A. (08 Marks)
- 5
  - a. Discuss the working principle of a  $1\phi$ , Full wave controller with RL load, with the help of a circuit diagram and waveforms. Derive the expression  $\text{Sin}(\beta - \theta) = \text{Sin}(\alpha - \theta) \exp\left(\frac{R}{L} \cdot \frac{(\alpha - \beta)}{\omega}\right)$  with usual notations. (08 Marks)

- b. An ac voltage controller in Fig.5(b) has a resistive load of  $R = 10\Omega$  and the rms input voltage is  $V_s = 120V$ , 60Hz. The thyristor switch is on for  $n = 25$  cycles and is off for  $m = 75$  cycles. Determine the i) rms output voltage ' $V_o$ ' ii) input power factor PF and iii) average and rms current of thyristors. (06 Marks)

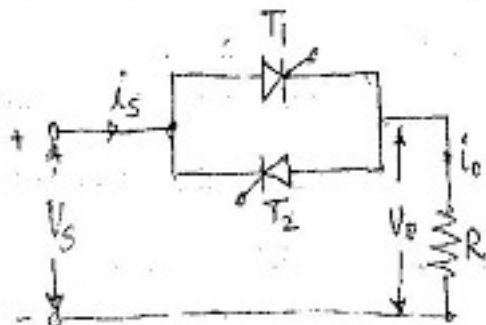


Fig 5(b)

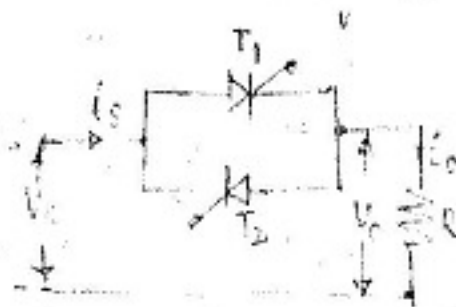


Fig.5(c)

- c. A 1  $\phi$ , Full wave ac voltage controller in fig.5(c) has a resistive load of  $R = 10\Omega$  and the input voltage is  $V_s = 120V$ (rms), 60Hz. The delay angles of thyristors  $T_1, T_2$  are equal :  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha = \pi/2$ . Determine i) the rms output voltage ' $V_o$ ' ii) the input power factor PF, iii) the average current of thyristors  $I_A$ , and iv) the rms current of thyristor ' $I_R$ '. (06 Marks)

- a. Explain the working principle of 1  $\phi$ , semi converter with RL load using circuit diagram and relevant waveforms. Derive expressions for load currents during time interval  $0 < \omega t < 2\pi$  while evaluating it at  $\omega t = \alpha$  and  $\omega t = \pi$ . (14 Marks)
- b. The single phase dual converter in fig.6(b) is operated from a 120V, 60Hz supply and the load resistance is  $R = 10\Omega$ . The circulating inductance  $L_c = 40\text{ mH}$ ; delay angles are  $\alpha_1 = 60^\circ$  and  $\alpha_2 = 120^\circ$ . Calculate the peak circulating current and the peak current of converter 1. (06 Marks)

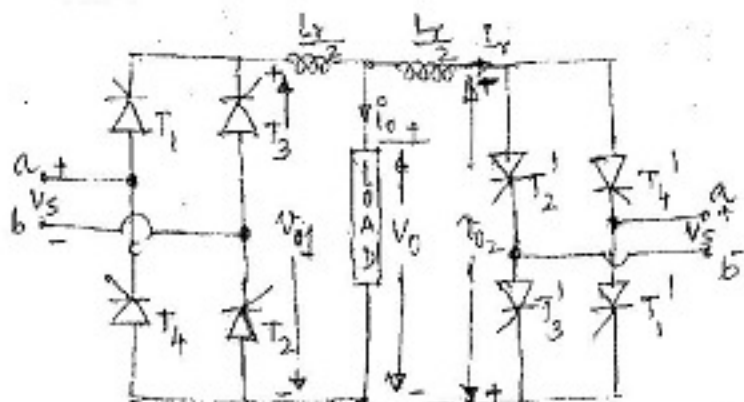


Fig.6(b)

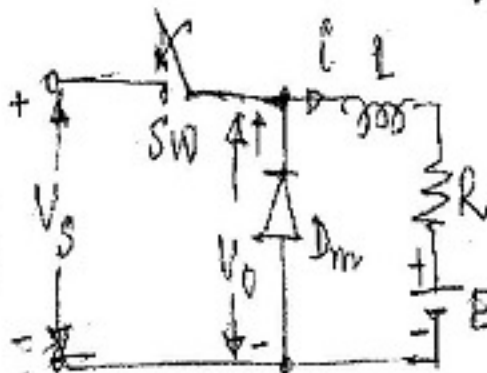


Fig.7(b)

- a. Describe the operation of step-down chopper with RL load. Derive an expression for maximum ripple of continuous current. (10 Marks)
- b. The chopper in fig.7(b) has a load resistance  $R = 0.25\Omega$ , input voltage  $V_s = 550V$ , and battery voltage  $E = 0V$ . The average load current  $I_a = 200A$ , and chopping frequency  $f = 250\text{ Hz}$ . Use the average output voltage to calculate the load inductance ' $L$ ' which would limit the maximum load ripple current to 10% of  $I_a$ . (10 Marks)
- a. Explain the principle of operation of 1  $\phi$ , inverter with the help of circuit diagram and waveform. (10 Marks)
- b. What are the advantages of a current source inverter? (04 Marks)
- c. A single phase full bridge inverter using transistor switches has a resistive load of  $R = 10\Omega$  and the dc input voltage is 220V. Calculate i) the rms output voltage at the fundamental frequency ii) the output power and iii) the average and peak values of transistor current. (06 Marks)

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