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Module Number: EE8236

Module Name: Electrical Systems in Buildings

[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries 10 marks]

[All the lecture notes and the hand written notes are allowed to use during the exam.]

[No text books are allowed.]

- Q1 a) Compare the Terra-Terra (TT) earthing system and the Terra-Neutral (TN) earthing system in terms of the earth loop impedance and the earth fault current. [1 Mark]
- b) Explain briefly why it is usually necessary to use a Residual Current Device (RCD) to protect against indirect contact in a TT system, but not in a TN earthing system. [1 Mark]
- c) Why does a Miniature Circuit Breaker (MCB) have both a bi-metallic trip element as well as an electromagnetic trip element? [2 Marks]
- d) It is found that a certain TN-C-S installation have following details,  
Transformer(Dy11) winding resistance referred to secondary side =  $0.001 \Omega$ /phase  
Phase conductors of main supply =  $35 \text{ mm}^2$  Cu/PVC/PVC  
Neutral conductors of main supply =  $35 \text{ mm}^2$  Cu/PVC/PVC  
Phase conductors within installation =  $25 \text{ mm}^2$  Cu/PVC/PVC  
Neutral conductors within installation =  $25 \text{ mm}^2$  Cu/PVC/PVC  
Source earth electrode resistance =  $2.5 \Omega$   
Distance from Main Distribution Board(MDB) to 3 Phase load = 20 m  
Distance from source to installation MDB = 50 m  
Main cable installation method = In conduit  
Cable installation method within installation = In conduit  
By considering the worst case, calculate the maximum possible earth fault current at the load terminals. State any assumptions you made. [2 Marks]
- e) Explain why you may not be able to barehanded pull to safety, a person undergoing an electric shock who is unable to let go by himself. What alternate method would you suggest? [2 Marks]

- f) List and describe the electrical instrument you use in the following situations.
- i) Need to check the live and neutral of 230 V/ AC copper conductors.
  - ii) Need to check the + and - of 24 V/DC copper conductors.
  - iii) Need to check a High Rupture Capacity (HRC) fuse.
  - iv) Need to check the insulation level of a single phase circuit.

[2 Marks]

Q2 a) A 400 V, 50 Hz, 3-phase circuit is to be run in 100 m long, 4C, Cu/PVC/XLPE/PVC cable on cable tray. The circuit, with a design load of 365 A at a power factor of 0.95 lagging, is to be protected against overload and short circuit. The maximum ambient temperature is 40°C. Determine the followings.

- i) The minimum cross-sectional area of the live conductor.
- ii) Voltage drop in the cable.
- iii) Cross-section of circuit protective conductor. State any assumptions you made.
- iv) Suitable circuit breaker capacity and type.

[4.5 Marks]

b) What are the factors you need to consider when selecting a cable for a task?

[1 Mark]

c) Some of the devices are omitted from protection against overload. Explain with two suitable examples.

[2 Marks]

d) Compare the followings.

- i) Earth Leakage Relay (ELR) vs RCD
- ii) Moulded Case Circuit Breaker (MCCB) vs MCB
- iii) Metal Halide lamp vs Light Emitting Diode (LED) lamp
- iv) E27 Holder vs B22 Holder
- v) Copper conductor vs Aluminium conductor

[2.5 Marks]

Q3 a) What do you understand by correlated colour temperature (CCT) of a light source? The CCT of a fluorescent lamp is specified as 6500 K. What colour of light do you expect from this lamp?

[1 Mark]

b) A Hospital building layout drawing is shown in Figure 1 and needs to be illuminated for required lux level using fluorescent light of an efficacy of 70 lm/W. It is known that 30% of the light produced is lost within the fixture and another 25% margin is to be allowed for loss due to aging.

- i) If fluorescent light fitting of rating 4 x 14 W are to be used, how many lamps do you need to obtain the recommended illumination?
- ii) Draw a suitable layout arrangement of the distribution of the lamps on the ceiling.

- iii) Calculate the maximum current required for each lamp fitting. Clearly mention the assumptions you made.
- iv) Select the suitable cables ( $>1\text{mm}^2$ ), switches, MCB, RCD and voltage drop.
- v) Draw a suitable line diagram considering light loads.
- vi) Prepare a rough cost estimate for the above work.

[9 Marks]

Q4 a) Draw a labeled typical setup of a Digital Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system. What are the advantages and the disadvantages of Digital CCTV system over the Analog CCTV system?

[1.5 Marks]

b) Briefly explain the purpose of a CCTV system with four suitable examples.

[1 Mark]

c) List the factors which need to be considered when buying CCTV cameras and describe the two most important aspects.

[1 Mark]

d) What are the steps and procedures you need to follow when designing a CCTV system?

[1 Mark]

e) What is the purpose of a Car Park Management System? List the main components of a Car Park Management System.

[1.5 Marks]

f) Describe the main functions of a PABX system and list the main components in a PABX system.

[1.5 Marks]

g) Briefly describe the followings.

- i) CAT 6 Cable
- ii) VoIP
- iii) Telephone jacks and outlets
- iv) Video balun
- v) PTZ camera

[2.5 Marks]

Q5 a) Why earthing or grounding is important in an electrical system of a building? Support your answer with suitable examples.

[2 Marks]

b) A class 1 type lightning protection system needs to be installed in a building. The drawings of the building are given in Figure 2 and Figure 3. Propose a suitable design to protect the building from lightning. Clearly mention the basics of lightning protection.

[2.5 Marks]

- c) Air conditioning process involves in maintaining and controlling of several parameters. List these parameters. [1.5 Marks]
- d) Do you think that DX-single split type air conditioner can achieve the ASHRAE standard? Justify your answer. [1.5 Marks]
- e) Explain a central air conditioning system in detail using clearly labeled sketches. [1.5 Marks]
- f) What are the advantages of Building Management System (BMS)? [1 Mark]

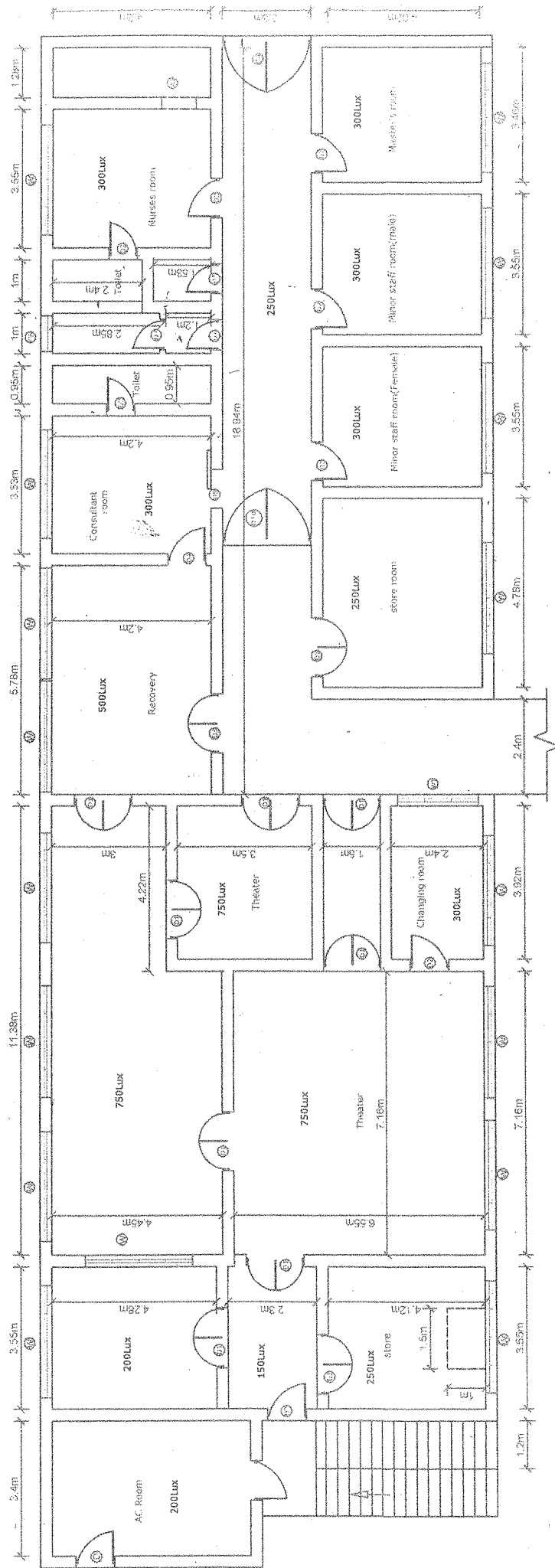
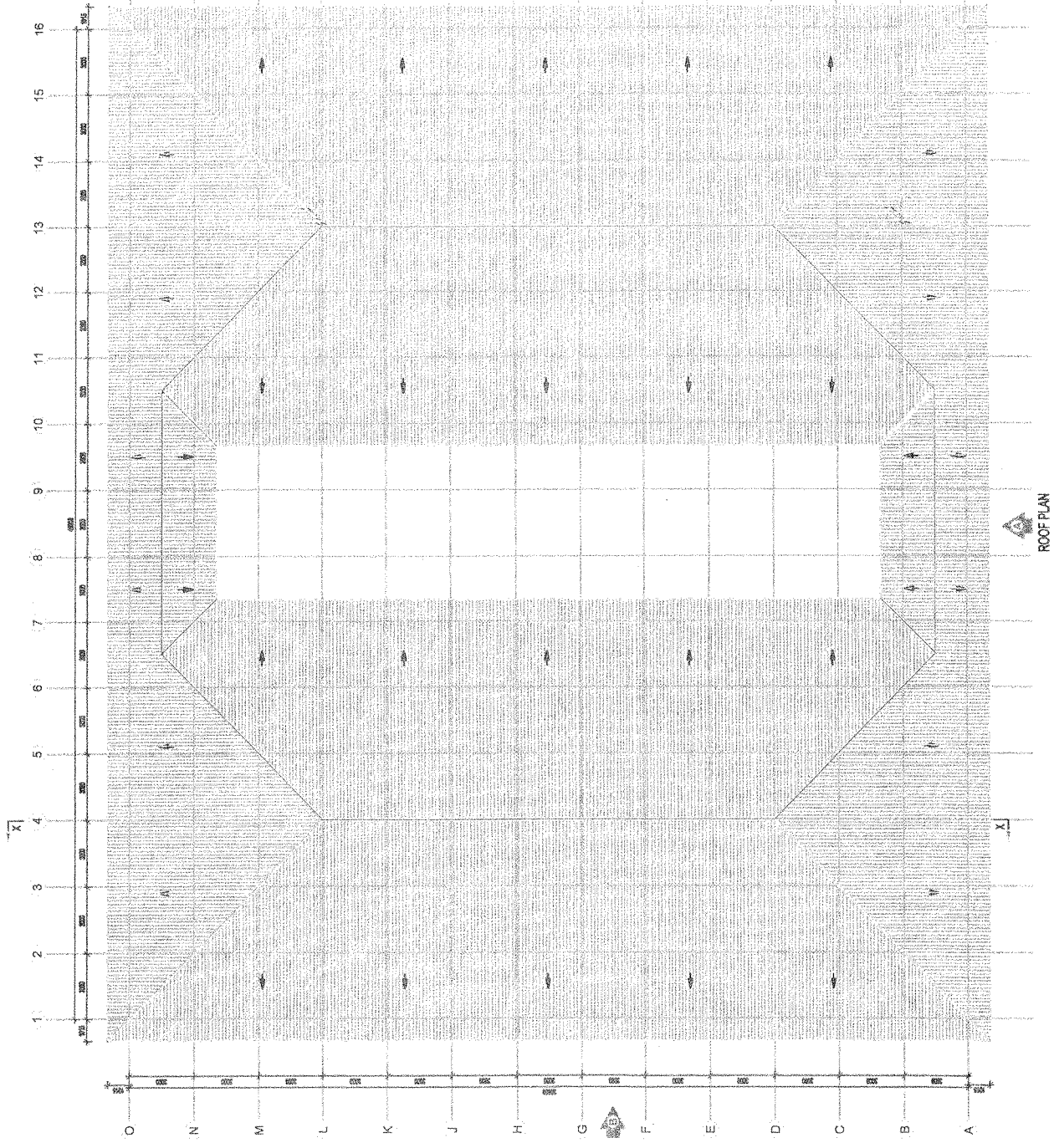


Figure 1



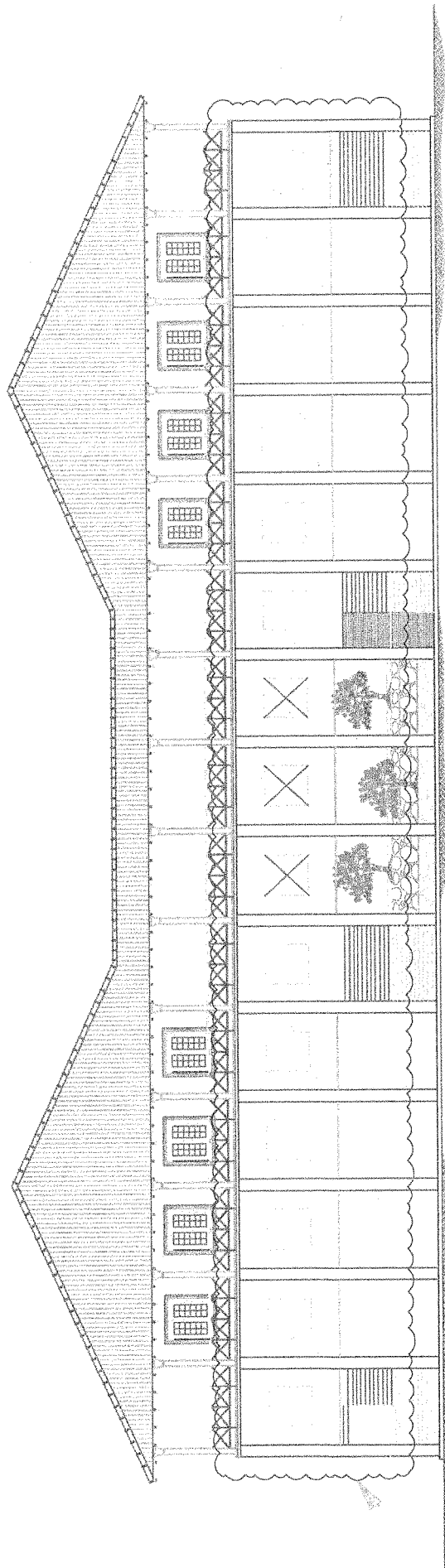


ROOF PLAN

Figure 2







ELEVATION - A

Figure 3