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[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries 10 marks]

- Q1. a) Armature winding is an essential feature of DC and AC machines. It comprises a set of coils embedded in the slots, uniformly spaced round the armature periphery.
- Define the following terms associated with armature windings.
Coil pitch
Pole pitch
 - Define the two terms *phase belt* and *phase spread* associated with AC armature windings.
- [2.0 Marks]
- b) A three-phase AC generator needs to be designed to generate 50 Hz, 9.0 kV (line-line rms) output voltage. The generator will be connected to a transformer via star (Y) connection. The armature of the machine consists of 24 slots. The rotor is made to produce a field with 4 poles and the strength of the field produced is 1.21 T/pole.
- Calculate the number of turns per phase required to generate the above voltage, if full pitch armature winding is chosen.
 - What type of armature winding arrangement can be used for this machine?
 - Draw the coil side placement table for all three phases and the winding diagram for phase-A for your proposed armature winding arrangement.
- [3.0 Marks]
- c) A separately excited dc motor's armature is connected to a three-phase full-controlled thyristor converter. The field circuit is also connected to a same type of converter. The ac input to both converters is three-phase, 400 V (line-line rms voltage), 50 Hz. The parameters of the separately excited dc motor are given below.
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| Rated torque = 80 Nm | The armature resistance = 0.25 Ω |
| Rated armature voltage = 550 V | Voltage constant = 1.2 V/(A rad/s) |
| Rated speed = 2000 rpm | Field circuit resistance = 245 Ω . |
- Assume that except copper losses all other losses in the motor are negligible and the converters are ideal. The armature and the field currents are continuous and ripple free.
- Draw a circuit diagram to illustrate the converters and the connections of the separately excited dc motor.

- ii) If the motor operates in the constant torque region, how do you control the firing angles of the two converters?
- iii) In the constant torque region with this connected converter system, calculate the maximum possible speed the motor can achieve with the rated torque?
- iv) It is required to run the motor at a speed higher than the speed in iii) with the same armature current. Explain how you can achieve it. Also, explain the consequences you will have to face.
- v) Using this converter system, in which quadrants of the speed-torque plane the motor can be operated? Justify your answer.

[5.0 Marks]

- Q2. a) i) Explain why it is not possible to get a balanced three phase output from a practical transformer with open-delta (V-V) connection even when a balanced three phase voltage is applied to the primary.
- ii) Three-phase delta (Δ)/star (Y) transformers with star (Y) on the LV side is used in distribution grids to supply the load. Explain the reason.
- iii) State the four conditions need to be satisfied to operate two three-phase transformers in parallel.

[4.0 Marks]

- b) A 500 kVA, single-phase transformer with $0.041 + j0.075$ pu impedance is connected in parallel with 350 kVA single-phase transformer with $0.032 + j0.066$ pu impedance. Per unit impedances have been calculated on a base voltage of 230 V. The open circuit voltage of these two transformers are 240 V and 235 V respectively.
- i) Draw the equivalent circuit (referred to the secondary sides of the transformers) of the two transformers working in parallel to supply the load.
- ii) Calculate the circulating current between two transformers during no-load operation.
- iii) Calculate the share of the load supplied by each transformer, when they supply a load with an impedance of $0.092 + j0.044 \Omega$.

[6.0 Marks]

- Q3. a) i) Draw the frequency vs active power characteristic and the voltage vs reactive power characteristic of a synchronous generator.
- ii) Consider a synchronous generator connected to a utility grid. Using the frequency and voltage characteristics drawn in i), explain how the active and reactive power supplied by the synchronous generator can be increased.
- iii) State the four conditions that needs to be satisfied for paralleling two synchronous generators.

[4.0 Marks]

b) Two synchronous generators G_1 and G_2 are connected in parallel and they supply a 10 MVA load at 0.97 power factor lagging. The frequency of this system is 50 Hz. The slopes of the frequency vs active power characteristics of generators G_1 and G_2 are 2.5 MW/Hz and 3.0 MW/Hz respectively. The no-load frequency of generator G_1 is 51.5 Hz.

- i) Calculate the active power outputs of each generator.
- ii) Calculate the system frequency when only the active power of the load drops by 40%.

[2.0 Marks]

c) A 3.0 kV(line-line rms), star (Y) connected cylindrical rotor synchronous machine is rated at 100 kVA, 0.7 power factor lagging. The synchronous reactance of this generator is 7.86 Ω /phase. The generator is connected to a turbine capable of supplying 100 kW of active power. The armature induced voltage of this machine is limited to 1820 V.

- i) Draw the capability curve of this generator.
- ii) Find the maximum amount of reactive power that can be supplied at 80 kW of active power output.

[2.5 Marks]

d) A three-phase, 400 V(line-line rms), star (Y) connected, salient pole synchronous generator supplies a 12 A current with a phase angle of 30° lagging. The direct and quadrature axis synchronous reactances of this machine are $X_d = 9.2 \Omega$, $X_q = 4.8 \Omega$, armature resistance is negligible.

- i) Draw the phasor diagram for the above salient pole generator and calculate the direct axis and quadrature axis currents.
- ii) Calculate the no-load voltage of this salient pole generator.

[1.5 Marks]

Q4. a) i) State three constructional differences between a universal motor and a series DC motor.

ii) Briefly explain the operation of a brushless DC motor.

iii) A hybrid stepper motor has a stator with 5-phases and a rotor with 60 teeth. Calculate the step angle and the pulse rate required to obtain a rotor speed of 2000 rpm.

iv) A 230 V, 50 Hz capacitor-start single-phase induction motor has a main winding with an impedance of $4+j8 \Omega$ and a starting winding with an impedance of $10+j2.5 \Omega$ at the start. Determine the value of capacitance to be connected in series with the starting winding to obtain maximum starting torque.

[4.0 Marks]

b) i) Write four characteristics of an ODWF cooling system used in a power transformer.

- ii) Briefly explain the information you can obtain from service factor, letter code, design letter, insulation class and time rating given in a NEMA standard motor nameplate.

[3.0 Marks]

- c) In a transformer, the temperature rise is 20 °C after 1 hour and 35 °C after 2 hours, starting from cold conditions. The transformer is disconnected when it reaches to its final steady state temperature. Then its temperature falls from the final steady value to 45 °C within 1.0 hour. If the ambient temperature remains constant at 28 °C, Calculate the followings;

- i) The heating time constant
- ii) The final steady temperature the transformer reached due to heating
- iii) The cooling time constant
- iv) The time it will take to cool down to 50 °C after disconnection

[3.0 Marks]

- Q5. a) i) Using torque equation for a three-phase induction motor explain why it is necessary to maintain the rated air-gap flux in a three-phase induction motor during its operation.
- ii) Explain how the rated air-gap flux in a three-phase induction motor is maintained using stator supplied voltage and frequency. State any assumptions you make.
- iii) What is meant by voltage boost? Explain why it is necessary.

[2.5 Marks]

- b) i) Using the general torque equation, air-gap flux equation and the rotor current equation for a three-phase induction motor, show that when maintaining a constant air-gap flux in a three-phase induction motor, the torque T_{em} can be expressed as

$$T_{em} = K(\omega_s - \omega_r)$$

where, K - motor dependent constant, ω_s - synchronous speed and ω_r - rotor speed. Clearly state the assumptions you make.

- ii) A three-phase, star(Y) connected, four-pole, 5 kW, 50 Hz, 400 V (line-line, rms) squirrel-cage induction motor is driving a fan, which has quadratic load characteristics. The motor is supplied by a voltage source inverter with v/f control strategy. At 50 Hz, the fan runs at 1470 rpm delivering rated power. If the fan is to be rotated at 735 rpm,
- I. find the stator frequency required,
 - II. find the stator line-line voltage required and,
- draw the torque-speed characteristics showing the operating point. Also, in the same plot indicate the operating point at 50 Hz operation.

[7.5 Marks]