

9210-115
Level 6 Graduate Diploma in Engineering
Electrical machines and drives

Sample Paper

You should have the following for this examination

- one answer book
- non-programmable calculator
- pen, pencil, drawing instruments

No additional data is attached

General instructions

- This examination paper is of **three hours** duration.
- This paper consists of **nine** questions.
- Answer any **five** questions.
- All questions carry equal marks. The maximum marks for each section within a question are shown.
- A non-programmable electronic calculator may be used but candidates **must** show sufficient steps to justify their answers.
- Drawings should be clear, in good proportion and in pencil. Do **not** use red ink.

- 1 a) i) Sketch the vector diagram for the terminal voltage of a cylindrical rotor synchronous machine. (4 marks)
(Assume that the armature resistance is negligible.)
- ii) Derive expressions for the active power and the reactive power developed in a three-phase cylindrical rotor synchronous machine with negligible armature resistance. (4 marks)
- b) Two generators G_X and G_Y are supplying a load of 5 MW with a power factor of 0.8 lagging. The two generators G_X and G_Y are operating on no load at 51.5 Hz and 51 Hz respectively with an equal slope of 1 MW/Hz.
- i) Calculate the power supplied by each generator and the operating frequency of the system. (6 marks)
- ii) If the load is increased by 1 MW, what would be the power produced by each generator? Calculate the operating frequency. (6 marks)
- 2 a) Describe the control of active and reactive power of a synchronous generator connected to an infinite bus. (6 marks)
- b) The technical specifications of a Y connected three phase synchronous generator are given below.
Voltage: 480 V.
Frequency: 50 Hz.
Rated Power: 50 kVA at 0.8 lagging.
per phase synchronous reactance: 1 Ω .
Total losses: 2.5 kW.
Assume that the generator is connected to a turbine of 47 kW.
- i) Construct the operating chart. (4 marks)
- ii) The synchronous generator is supplying a line current of 50 A at 0.8 lagging power factor. Calculate the active and reactive power supplied by the generator. (6 marks)
- iii) What is the maximum reactive power the generator can deliver when supplying 30 kW of real power? (4 marks)
- 3 a) Explain the difference between squirrel cage and wound rotor induction motors. (2 marks)
- b) Explain what is meant by slip of an induction motor. (2 marks)
- c) i) Sketch the approximate per phase equivalent circuit of a three-phase induction motor. State the assumptions made. (6 marks)
- ii) Results of no-load and locked rotor tests for a 220 V, 50 Hz, three-phase star connected class B induction motor are given below.
No load test at 50 Hz
Applied voltage = 220 V, Line current = 24.0 A, Power input = 1400 W.
Locked rotor test at 12.5 Hz
Applied voltage = 24.6 V, Line current = 64.5 A, Power input = 2400 W
Per phase stator resistance is 0.12 Ω .
For class B machines,
Assume the ratio x_1 / x_2 as 0.4: 0.6.
Determine the parameters of the approximate equivalent circuit. (10 marks)

- 4 a) Explain the speed control of an induction motor by varying frequency and pole pair number. (4 marks)
- b) Derive an expression for the electromagnetic torque developed in terms of voltage, impedances, synchronous speed and slip. (6 marks)
- c) A 480 V, 20 kW, 60 Hz, 4 pole, star connected wound rotor induction motor has the following per phase parameters referred to the stator circuit.
- stator resistance = 0.75 Ω .
 stator leakage reactance = 1.25 Ω .
 rotor resistance = 0.35 Ω .
 rotor reactance = 0.45 Ω .
 magnetizing reactance = 25.5 Ω .
- i) Determine the starting torque of the motor. (4 marks)
- ii) What is the speed and slip at which maximum torque occurs? (4 marks)
- iii) Calculate the maximum torque of the motor. (2 marks)
- 5 a) Explain how voltage is built up in a shunt DC generator. (4 marks)
- b) i) Draw the equivalent circuit of a DC series generator and sketch the terminal voltage characteristics. (4 marks)
- ii) Explain the operation of a DC series generator and how it can be used for a constant current application. (4 marks)
- c) A 60 kW, 260 V separately excited DC generator has an armature resistance of 0.025 Ω . The generator delivers rated load at rated terminal voltage.
- i) Find the armature current and the generated armature voltage at rated load. (4 marks)
- ii) If the terminal voltage is maintained at 260 V but the output is reduced to 30 kW, find the corresponding armature voltage. (4 marks)
- 6 a) Identify **two** major problems caused by the armature reaction of a DC machine and explain how armature reaction affects the performance of the machine. (4 marks)
- b) Derive an expression for torque-speed characteristics of a DC shunt Motor. (4 marks)
- c) A 5 kW, 230 V, DC shunt motor has an armature resistance of 0.3 Ω . Field resistance is 160 Ω . The motor draws a line current of 4 A on load at a speed of 1200 rpm. The full load armature current is 30 A.
- i) Determine the armature current at no load condition. (2 marks)
- ii) Calculate the power developed by the armature at no load condition. (5 marks)
- iii) Find the speed of the motor at full load condition. (5 marks)
- 7 a) Explain the difference between mechanical and electrical angle of a rotating electrical machine. (4 marks)
- b) i) Derive expressions for the power output of a separately excited DC motor. (4 marks)
- ii) A 200 V, 15 kW, DC shunt motor draws an armature current of 85 A at full load. The armature and field resistances are 0.2 Ω and 200 Ω respectively. Find the rotational losses and motor efficiency at full load. (8 marks)
- c) Explain the operation of a 6/4 pole (6 stator pole and 4 rotor poles), 3phase variable reluctance stepper motor in both full step and half step modes. (4 marks)

- 8 a) i) Sketch the circuit diagram of a three-phase thyristor full bridge converter. (2 marks)
 ii) Explain the operation of a three-phase thyristor full bridge converter when the firing angle is 20° . (6 marks)
- b) The speed of a 100 kW, 600 V, 1800 rpm, separately excited DC motor is controlled by a three phase thyristor full converter. The converter is connected to a three-phase, 460 V, 60 Hz supply. The motor parameters are given below. Assume that the converter and the power supply are ideal.
- Rated armature current = 175 A.
 Armature resistance = 0.09Ω .
 Armature inductance = 6.50 mH.
 Motor constant ' $K\Phi$ ' = 0.35 V/rpm.
- i) Determine the no-load speed at firing angle of 20° . Assume that the armature current under no-load conditions is 15% of the rated current and is continuous. (6 marks)
 ii) Calculate the firing angle to obtain the rated speed of 1800 rpm at rated motor current. (6 marks)
- 9 a) Explain the closed loop control of electric motors. (4 marks)
 b) i) Sketch circuit diagrams of single-phase full bridge thyristor converter. (3 marks)
 ii) Derive an expression for average output voltage of a single phase thyristor full bridge converter in terms of the ac supply voltage and firing angle for the controller input. (4 marks)
 iii) A single-phase full bridge converter is used to control the speed of a DC motor by changing the supply voltage. The converter is connected to a 230 V, 50 Hz supply. Calculate the supply voltage when the firing angle is 30° . (5 marks)
 c) Sketch the schematic circuit diagram for induction motor control incorporating a rectifier-thyristor inverter unit to provide regenerative feedback for slip power-recovery and explain its basic operation. (4 marks)