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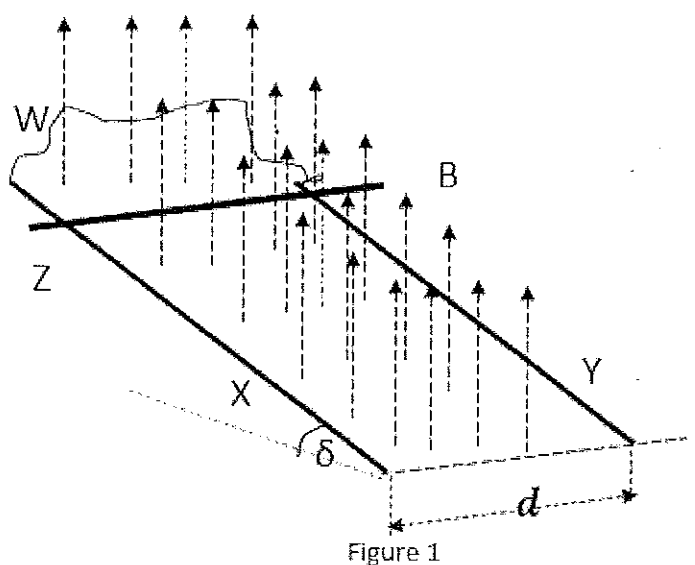
General Instructions

1. Read all instructions carefully before answering the questions.
 2. This question paper consists of **Six (6)** questions in **Six (6)** pages.
 3. Answer any **Five (5)** questions only, including **all** from Part A and **Two (2)** from Part B.
 4. Answer for each question should commence from a new page.
 5. Relevant charts / codes / values are provided.
 6. This is a Closed Book Examination.
 7. Answers should be in clear handwriting.
 8. Clearly indicate all formula and calculations for full marks.
 9. Do not use red colour pen.
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PART A - Answer all questions

Q1 [20 marks]

Two long parallel conductors, X and Y, having distance d between them are inclined at the angle δ to the horizontal. The conductors are connected by a conducting wire W at the top. This whole setup is inside a vertically upward magnetic field. Flux density of the field is B (Figure 1). An iron rod (Z) with resistance R and mass m is initially held on the parallel conductors at the top. When the rod is just released it starts to move downward with an acceleration and after a while it continues to move with a constant velocity u . The resistance of the conductors X, Y and wire W are negligible.



- a) What is the force influencing to move the rod with acceleration just after its release? [2]
- b) Briefly explain why the rod attains a constant speed. [4]
- c) Derive expression and determine the direction of
- induced emf in the rod [3]
 - current through the rod [2]
 - magnetic force acting on the rod [3]
- d) If $\delta = 10^\circ$; $m = 50 \text{ g}$; $d = 25 \text{ cm}$; $R = 5 \Omega$, calculate the required magnetic flux density B to move the rod at the constant speed u of 10 m/s . [consider $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$] [4]
- e) Now (with the rod moving at the constant velocity u), what would be the impact to the velocity, if
- magnetic flux density is doubled [1]
 - direction of the magnetic field is reversed [1]

Q2 [40 marks]

a)

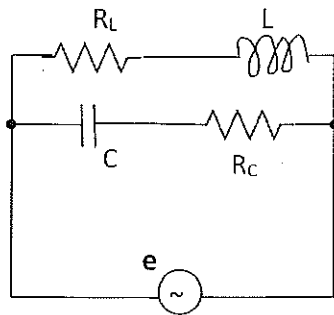


Figure 2a

In the Circuit of Figure 2a, it is given that $L = 150 \text{ mH}$, $C = 2.5 \mu\text{F}$, $R_L = 400 \Omega$, and $R_C = 200 \Omega$. The source delivers a sinusoidal output.

The current and voltage of the Capacitor, as measured with an ideal multimeter at AC setting, read 60 mA and 12 V respectively.

- i. Calculate the frequency, and currents and voltages of the other 3 passive components. *Consider the current through the Capacitor as reference.* [12]
- ii. Calculate the supply voltage, and express it in the time domain (in the form $e(t) = E_m \sin(\omega t \pm \phi)$). [2]
- iii. Calculate the power dissipated from the circuit, and its power factor. [4]
- iv. Draw a phasor diagram for the circuit, using the above values, taking the current through the Capacitor as reference. [12]

Draw the phasor diagram (approximately) to scale on a separate page. They should match the values from i. Draw the reference horizontal to right.

b)

- i. Describe the main characteristic of a circuit at resonance. [3]

You are provided an inductor $L = 100 \text{ mH}$, a capacitor $C = 10 \mu\text{F}$, a resistor $R = 200 \Omega$, a source providing frequency $e(t) = 34 \sin(\omega t) \text{ V}$, and a set of ideal AC ammeters ($A_1 \dots A_5$) connected as shown in Figure 2b.

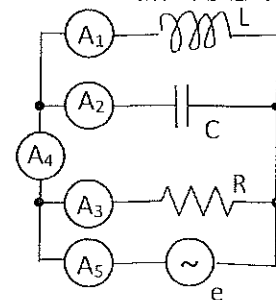


Figure 2b

When the reading of ammeter A_1 is 240 mA , find

- ii. ω iii. A_2 reading iv. A_3 reading v. A_4 reading vi. A_5 reading
- vii. Draw to scale the phasor diagram for the circuit, using the source voltage as reference. [7]

Q3 [10 marks]

A transistor amplifier circuit is shown in Figure 3a. The output characteristics of the transistor and the DC load line for the amplifier are shown in Figure 3b.

Q is the operating point (biasing point of the amplifier).

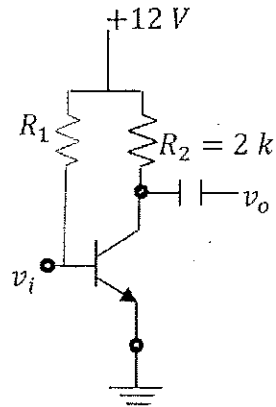


Figure 3a

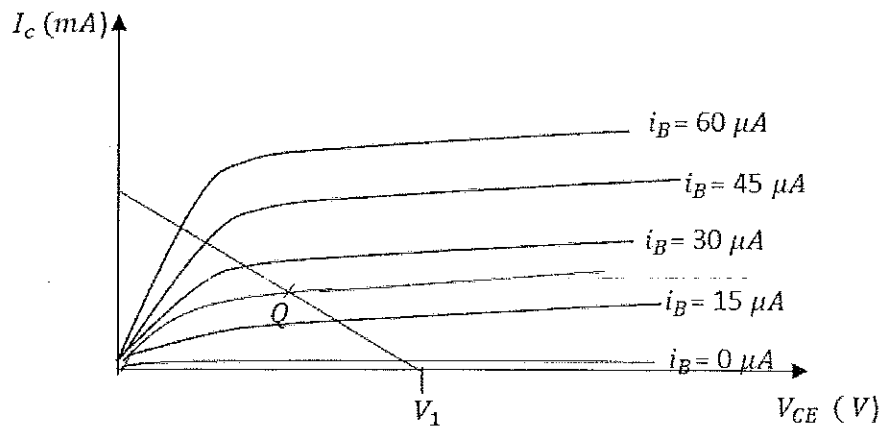


Figure 3b

- i. Find the value of V_1 . [3]
- ii. When $v_i = 0$, find
 - a. the base current [2]
 - b. the collector-emitter voltage [2]
 - c. the collector current [3]

Part B – Answer any two Questions

Q4 [15 marks]

- a) The earth has a net electric charge that causes a field at points near its surface of about 150 N/C and directed in toward the centre of the earth.
- What magnitude and sign of charge would a 60 kg human have to acquire to overcome his or her weight by the force exerted (generated) by the earth's electric field? [3]
 - What would be the force of repulsion between two people each with the charge calculated in part i. and separated by a distance of 100 m ? [3]

Consider $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$; $k = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$

- b) The capacitors in Fig. 4 are initially uncharged and are connected, as in the diagram, with switch S open. The capacitors are of values $C_1 = 3 \mu\text{F}$ and $C_2 = 6 \mu\text{F}$. A potential difference of $V_{ab} = 210 \text{ V}$ is applied between a and b .

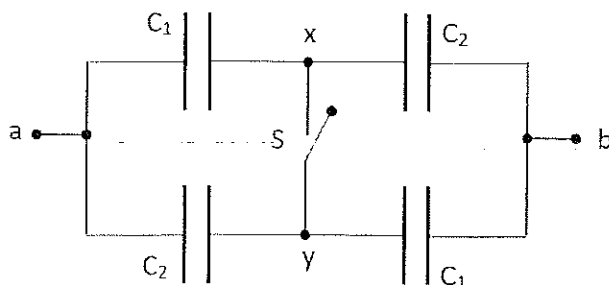


Figure 4

- What is the potential difference V_{xy} ? [3]
- What is the potential difference across each capacitor after switch S is closed? [3]
- How much charge flowed through the switch when it was closed? [3]

Q5 [15 marks]

A moving coil type indicating instrument requires $100 \mu\text{A}$ DC current for the full-scale deflection. The resistance of the instrument is 1000Ω .

- i. If the instrument is required to be used as an ammeter in the following measuring ranges, calculate the shunt resistances you need for each case.
 - a. 1 mA DC full scale deviation [3]
 - b. 50 mA DC full scale deviation [3]
- ii. If the instrument is required to be used as a voltmeter of 50 V DC (full scale) range, calculate the series resistance you need to connect. [3]
- iii. If the voltmeter prepared in 'ii' is used to measure the voltage between the points A and B in the circuit shown in Figure 5, calculate the voltage reading. Assume that the voltage source is ideal. [5]

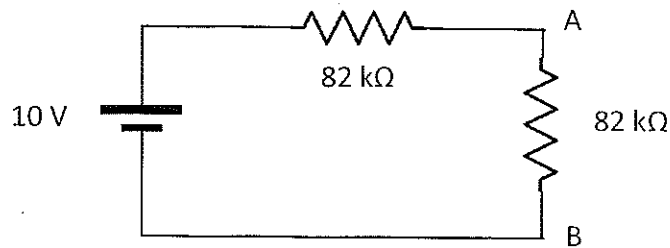


Figure 5

- iv. Calculate the percentage error of the meter reading you have calculated in 'iii'. [1]

Q6 [15 marks]

- a) While giving **three reasons** briefly explain why the electrical energy is superior to all other forms of energy. [3]
- b) What are the differences between conventional and non-conventional energy sources? Briefly explain **two types** of conventional energy sources which are more usable in the electrical power industry including their energy conversion process. [4]
- c) Is it convenient to increase the transmission voltage as high as possible? Justify your answer. [2]
- d) A 2-wire DC distributor cable AB is 2 km long and supplies loads of 100 A , 150 A , 200 A and 50 A situated 500 m , 1000 m , 1600 m and 2000 m from the feeding point A as in Figure 6. Each conductor has a resistance of 0.01Ω per 1000 m . Calculate the power distribution at each load point (B, C, D, E) if a voltage of 300 V is maintained at point A. [6]

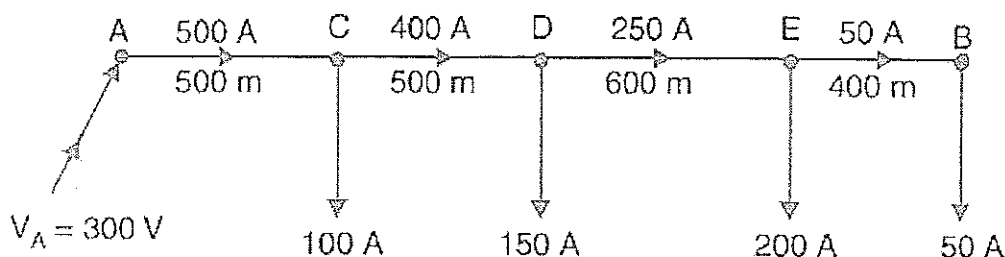


Figure 6