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B. Tech
PCEL 4301

Fifth Semester Examination – 2013

POWER ELECTRONICS

BRANCH : ELECTRICAL, EEE

QUESTION CODE : C-411

Full Marks – 70

Time : 3 Hours

*Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any **five** from the rest.
The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

1. Answer the following questions : 2×10
- (a) What is Baker's clamp ? Where and why is it used ?
- (b) Why is 'dv/dt' rating important for a power semiconductor switch ? What is the protection against it ?
- (c) Draw the source current waveform for a single-phase semiconverter feeding R-L load under the assumption that the load current is continuous and ripple free having a value of 20 A and for a firing angle of 30° . Find the rms value of thyristor current.
- (d) What is the advantage of PWM rectifier over phase control rectifier ?
- (e) How can the ripple in the output voltage be minimized for Buck converter ?
- (f) What are the advantages of soft switched converter over hard switched converter ?
- (g) What are the advantages of Space Vector Modulation over SPWM control of inverter ?
- (h) What are the benefits of Cuk converter over the Buck Boost converter ?
- (i) What is the advantage of bipolar switching over unipolar switching in SPWM inverters ?
- (j) How is zero voltage switching realized in case of resonant inverter.

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2. (a) Draw and explain the switching behavior of power MOSFET. 5
- (b) A MOSFET is switching a 20 A inductive load from a 100 V d.c. source. The fall time of the device is 0.5 μ s. Calculate the shunt snubber capacitance value. 5
3. (a) For a varying load current that has a maximum value of 10 A, design a proportional base drive circuit for a BJT. 5
- (b) What are the base drive techniques to increase the switching speed of BJTs? What is antisaturation control of BJTs? 5
4. A single-phase semiconverter feed power to RLE load. For discontinuous load current, draw the output voltage, load current, source current and free wheeling diode current waveforms as a function of time when (i) extinction angle $\beta > \pi$, (ii) $\beta < \pi$ with $V_m \sin \beta < E$. 10
5. (a) A single phase semiconverter, connected to 230 V, 50 Hz source, is feeding a load $R = 10 \Omega$ in series with large inductance that makes the load current ripple free. At firing angle of 60° , calculate the input reactive power, input power factor, total harmonic distortion and rectification efficiency. 5
- (b) A single phase voltage controller feeds power to a resistive load of 3Ω from 230 V, 50 Hz source. Calculate the maximum values of average and rms thyristor currents for any firing angle α . 5
6. (a) For a Buck-Boost converter the input d.c. voltage is 14 V. The duty cycle is 0.6 with switching frequency of 25 kHz. The inductance $L = 180 \mu$ H and filter capacitance $C = 220 \mu$ F. If the average load current is 1.5 A, compute 5
- (i) The average output voltage
- (ii) The peak to peak output voltage ripple
- (iii) The peak to peak current in the inductor
- (iv) The peak current of the device.
- (b) Explain the working of Cuk converter with power circuit diagram and relevant waveforms. 5

7. (a) With relevant circuit diagram and waveforms, explain the zero current switching resonant inverter. 5
- (b) With neat power circuit diagram, explain the working principle of three-phase VSI operating in 120° conduction mode. Draw phase voltage waveforms assuming three-phase resistive load connected in star. 5
8. Write short notes on any **two**: 5×2
- (a) Three-phase PWM rectifier
 - (b) Single-phase cycloconverter
 - (c) Three-phase VSI with 120° conduction mode
 - (d) VAR compensator.

