

**GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**

B.E. Sem-III Remedial Examination May 2011

**Subject code: 132401 Subject Name: Basic Power Systems Engineering****Date: 28-05-2011****Time: 10.30 am – 01.00 pm****Total Marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

- Q.1** (a) Why is there phase difference between voltage and current in a.c. circuit? Explain the concept of power factor. Also discuss the disadvantages of low power factor. **07**
- (b) Explain the causes of low power factor of the supply system and discuss power factor improvement. **07**

- Q.2** (a) Discuss various power factor improvement equipments used in power system. **07**
- (b) Pick up the correct words / figures from the brackets and fill in the blanks. **07**

I) The power factor of an a.c. circuit is given by \_\_\_\_\_ power divided by \_\_\_\_\_ power.

(active, reactive , apparent)

II) The lagging power factor is due to \_\_\_\_\_ power drawn by the circuit.

(active, reactive)

III) The major reason for low lagging power factor of supply system is due to the use of \_\_\_\_\_ motors.

(induction , synchronous)

IV) An over-excited synchronous motor on no load is known as \_\_\_\_\_ .

(condenser, synchronous condenser)

V)  $KVAR = \text{_____} \tan \Phi$ .

(KW, KVA)

VI) The smaller the lagging reactive power drawn by circuit, the \_\_\_\_\_ is its power factor.

(smaller, greater)

VII) The maximum value of power factor can be \_\_\_\_.

(1.1, 1, 0.9)

**OR**

- (b) A single phase motor connected to a 240 V, 50Hz supply takes 20 A at a power factor of 0.75 lagging. A capacitor is shunted across the motor terminals to improve the power factor to 0.9. Determine the capacitance of the capacitor to be used. **07**

- Q.3 (a)** Draw and explain the schematic diagram of hydro power plant. **07**
- (b)** Explain the following terms with respect to hydro power plant. **07**  
 I) Spill ways      II) Catchments area      III) Tunnels
- OR**
- Q.3 (a)** State the factors to be considered for the selection of thermal power plant. Draw the schematic diagram of thermal power plant. **07**
- (b)** Explain the following terms with respect to thermal power plant. **07**  
 I) feed water and steam cycle.  
 II) Cooling water cycle.
- Q.4 (a)** What is neutral grounding? What are the advantages of neutral grounding? **07**
- (b)** What is solid grounding? Enlist its advantages and disadvantages. **07**
- OR**
- Q.4 (a)** What is resistance grounding? What are its advantages and disadvantages? **07**
- (b)** Write the principle of HVDC transmission. Explain its operation & control technique with block diagram. **07**
- Q.5 (a)** Derive equation for inductance of single phase two wire line. **07**
- (b)** Explain transposition of transmission line. **07**
- OR**
- Q.5 (a)** Derive equation for capacitance for the three phase line with symmetrical spacing. **07**
- (b)** A three- phase three- wire system has its conductors arranged at the corners of an equilateral triangle of 2-m side. The diameter of each conductor is 2.5 cm. Calculate the capacitance of each conductor. **07**

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