

**Sixth Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, Dec.2024/Jan.2025**  
**Power Electronics**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

*Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.*

**Module-1**

- 1 a. Define power electronics. List the applications of power electronics. (06 Marks)
- b. With necessary waveforms, explain the switching characteristics of power MOSFET. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain the peripheral effects of power electronics equipment. (08 Marks)

**OR**

- 2 a. How devices are protected against  $\frac{di}{dt}$  and  $\frac{dv}{dt}$ ? (06 Marks)
- b. Explain isolation of gate and base drives using pulse transformers. (06 Marks)
- c. What is Power converter? List different types of power converters and mention their functions. (08 Marks)

**Module-2**

- 3 a. Derive an expression for anode current in terms of the common base current gain of the transistor (two transistor analogy). (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the turn-on characteristics of SCR with neat diagrams. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 4 a. Define commutation. Compare natural and forced commutation. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain with the help of circuit diagram and relevant waveforms the impulse commutation of SCR. (10 Marks)

**Module-3**

- 5 a. Explain with circuit diagram single phase AC voltage controllers with resistive load. (10 Marks)
- b. What is an AC voltage controller? With the help of circuit diagram and waveforms explain the principle of ON-OFF control. (10 Marks)

**OR**

- 6 a. Explain single-phase semiconverter with circuit, waveform and relevant expressions. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain Three-phase half wave converter circuit with resistive load waveforms. (10 Marks)

**Module-4**

- 7 a. What is chopper? Explain the principle of step up chopper with RL load. (10 Marks)
- b. Describe the principle of a step down chopper of resistive load. With the help of schematic and waveform. Write an expression for the output voltage. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. With neat circuit diagram, explain four quadrant operation of a chopper. (10 Marks)  
b. Explain the working principle of impulse commutated thyristor chopper with necessary circuit diagram and waveforms. (10 Marks)

**Module-5**

- 9 a. Explain the principle of operation of single phase half-bridge inverter with resistive load. (10 Marks)  
b. With the help of neat diagram and waveforms explain an operation of 180° mode of three phase inverter. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Write a note on performance parameters of a inverter:  
i) Harmonic factor of  $n^{\text{th}}$  harmonic  
ii) Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)  
iii) Distortion Factor (DF) (10 Marks)  
b. Explain sinusoidal pulse width modulations with relevant waveforms. (10 Marks)

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