

**BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING) FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER
SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM 2023
SUB: POWER SYSTEM PROTECTION AND SWITCHGEAR**

Time: Three hours

Full Marks: 100

(50 marks for each part)

Use a separate answer script for each part.

PART I

Figures in the margin indicate full marks

Group –A Answer any three questions from Group A		
1.	Explain the sensitivity property and selectivity property of a power system protective relay. Also briefly discuss 'Primary' and 'Back up' relay with respect to power system protective relaying.	(2+8) =10
2.	Discuss the special feature of the IDMTL relay for feeder protection. Explain the terms 'PS', 'PSM', and 'TMS'.	(6+4) =10
3.	Explain 3-step 3-zone distance protection. Briefly discuss the reactance relay and mho relay.	(5+5) =10
4.	With the help of a neat diagram explain how directional overcurrent relays protect ring main feeders. Discuss briefly the construction of directional type overcurrent relay.	(6+4) =10
5.	a) A 1 Amp IDMTL relay with its plug set at 50 % is carrying a fault current of 1000 A. The C.T. ratio is 200/1 Amp. Find the P.S.M of the relay. b) Why do the plug settings for an earth fault relay vary between 10% to around 70%? What are the advantages of using earth fault relays over overcurrent relays for the detection of phase-to-ground faults?	(2) (4+4)
Group –B Answer any two questions from Group B		
6.	Discuss why a biased differential relay is used in power system protection instead of an ordinary differential relay. Explain the operating principle of such a relay. Draw the characteristics curve also.	(4+6) =10
7.	With the necessary connection diagram and derivation explain how the current transformers on the two sides of a star-delta transformer should be connected to avoid spurious tripping. Also, explain why the harmonic restraint feature is necessary for transformer differential relays.	(6+4) =10
8.	Discuss how loss of excitation protection is carried out for an alternator. Also, explain how loss of synchronism protection is provided for an alternator.	(6+4) =10
9.	With the necessary trip circuit explain the Blocking scheme in Carrier Aided Distance Protection.	10
10.	Discuss about Buchholz relay for transformer protection.	10

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PART -II

Answer any Three

Marks

(Two marks reserved for well organized answers)

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| 1.(a) | Draw and discuss the concept of a typical switchgear. | (8) |
| (b) | With respect to the operation of a circuit breaker, briefly discuss
(i) contact erosion, (ii) opening speed, (iii) closing speed and (iv) making time | (8) |
| 2.(a) | Draw and discuss the external characteristic of the arc produced in the circuit breaker. | (10) |
| (b) | A circuit breaker has a critical arc length of 18cm and its speed of contact separation is 6m/sec. If the voltage drop per cm. of arc length is 650 volts, when interrupting 15kA, calculate the arc energy liberated in kW-s. | (6) |
| 3.(a) | In regard to an electric arc explain thermionic emission and field emission. Also explain how elastic collisions and non-elastic collisions help to maintain the electric arc. | (10) |
| (b) | State the opposing forces which the circuit breakers have to overcome during opening operation. | (6) |
| 4.(a) | Draw and explain the characteristic of sudden short circuit fault current for series R-L circuit. | (10) |
| (b) | Explain the terms 'restriking voltage' and 'RRRV'. | (6) |
| 5.(a) | Describe the effect of different operating conditions on active recovery voltage in a CB. | (10) |
| (b) | What are the advantages and disadvantages of oil circuit breakers? | (6) |