



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

EED 310: ELEMENTS OF POWER SYTSEMS

DATE: 18/8/2021

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question One And Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following terms with reference to Faults
- i) Zero sequence
 - ii) negative sequence
 - iii) a' operator (6 marks)
- b) List the assumptions made in analysis of asymmetrical faults (4 marks)
- c) Explain the following terms with reference to protection
- i) Back up protection
 - ii) primary protection (4 marks)
- d) In a 3-Phase, 4-wire system the currents in the RYB are
 I_R equals 100 at 80° A I_Y Equals 90 at 30° A I_B equals 120 at 120° A
Calculate all the positive and negative sequence currents in the R-line (8 marks)

e) Explain with reference to surge apparatus the following terms

i) Wave Tail

ii) Wave front (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) With reference to Three phase fault studies, explain the terms;

i. Unbalanced Faults

ii. Symmetrical Faults (4 marks)

b) Derive an expression for Positive sequence voltages in three phase faults (6 marks)

c) The sequence voltages in the red phase are

$$E_{R0} \text{ equals } 220 -j100V \quad E_{R1} \text{ equals } 70-j80V \quad E_{R2} \text{ equals } 30-j20V$$

Calculate E_r, E_y, E_b (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain with the aid of diagrams the operation of

i) Peterson coil

ii arcing horn

iii earth wire

iv Valve type arrester

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) List the major causes and effects of electrical surges in power systems (6 marks)

b) Derive the expression for surge impedance in surges. (6 marks)

c) A overhead line having an inductance of 1.8mH/km and a capacitance of 20μF/km is connected in series with an underground cable with an inductance of 0.180mH/km and capacitance of 0.45μF/km.

Calculate the values of transmitted and reflected waves of voltage and current at the line /cable junction caused by a 100Kv surge voltage towards the junction from the line end.

(8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) List any Five advantages of neutral earthing in power systems (5 marks)
- b) Explain the reasons for limiting phase to ground fault current by resistance grounding (6 marks)
- c) List any Four methods of neutral earthing (4 marks)
- d) A 500Kv,50Hz network has capacitance to neutral of $2\mu\text{F}$ per phase. Calculate the reactance of an arc-suppression coil suitable for the system to limit arcing ground faults. (5 marks)