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**COURSE : ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS**  
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**PROGRAMME : BEF / BEV**  
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**INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL FIVE QUESTIONS.**

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- Q1**
- (a) Explain the construction and principle of operation of a dynamometer type wattmeter. (5 marks)
- (b) Draw a neat sketch of the single-phase induction-type energy meter and explain its constructional details and working. (5 marks)
- (c) A three-phase 415 V motor load has a power factor of 0.7. The two wattmeters connected to measure power show the input to be 20 kW.
- (i) Find the reading on each wattmeter. (6 marks)
- (ii) Find the total reactive power consumed by the motor. (4 marks)
- Q2**
- (a) Write a short note on instrument transformers. (5 marks)
- (b) A current transformer has a rating of 50 VA, 400 A/5 A, 36 kV, 50 Hz. It is connected into an a.c. line having a line-to-neutral voltage of 14.4 kV. The ammeters, relays and connecting wires on the secondary side possess a total impedance (burden) of 1.2  $\Omega$ . If the transmission line current is 280 A, calculate:
- (i) The secondary current (3 marks)
- (ii) The voltage across the secondary terminals (3 marks)
- (iii) The voltage drop across the primary. (3 marks)
- (c) A potential transformer rated 14,400 V/115 V and a current transformer rated 75A/5A are used to measure the voltage and current in a transmission line. If the voltmeter indicates 111 V and the ammeter reads 3 A, calculate the voltage and current in the line. (6 marks)
- Q3**
- (a) Sketch a circuit diagram to show how a voltmeter and ammeter should be connected to measure a very low resistance. Explain briefly. (5 marks)
- (b) In the Wheatstone bridge circuit shown in **Figure Q3(a)**,  $R_T$  is a resistive temperature sensor, while  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , are standard resistors and  $R_3$  a variable resistor. Suppose the resistance  $R_T$  of the temperature sensor is related to the temperature  $T$ , in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , by the equation

$$R_T = (1500 + 25T) \text{ ohms}$$

The bridge is balanced by adjusting  $R_3$  until  $R_3 = 250 \Omega$ . What is the value of the temperature?

( 5 marks )

- (c) The insulation resistance of a metal-sheathed electric cable is to be measured using the circuit diagram shown in **Figure Q3(b)**. With a 15 kV supply and the guard wire not connected, the measured current is  $1.2 \mu\text{A}$ . The indicated current falls to  $0.045 \mu\text{A}$  when the guard is connected directly to the supply. Calculate the volume resistance and the surface leakage resistance of the cable.

( 10 marks )

- Q4** (a) **Figure Q4** shows the schematic circuit of a peak reading voltmeter that measures the peak value of the input voltage by measuring the rectified charging current  $I$  flowing through the standard capacitor  $C$ . If the input voltage waveform is sinusoidal and has a peak voltage of  $V_m$ , show that

$$V_m = \frac{I}{2fC}$$

where  $f$  is the frequency of the input voltage.

( 10 marks )

- (b) An electrostatic voltmeter has a capacitance of  $0.1 \mu\text{F}$  and full-scale deflection of 10 kV. Determine the capacitance of the capacitor connected in series which will make the full-scale deflection represent 60 kV.

( 10 marks )

- Q5** (a) Explain the four-point method of measuring earth resistivity. ( 5 marks )

- (b) It is decided to determine the resistivity of a plot of land at a depth of 450 cm using the 4-point method.

(i) Determine the distance between the electrodes. ( 3 marks )

(ii) If the meter readings are  $V = 30 \text{ V}$  and  $I = 2 \text{ A}$ , determine the resistivity  $\rho$ . ( 3 marks )

- (c) The Fall-of-Potential method was used to obtain earth resistance value of an earth electrode using the setup shown in **Figure Q5** and the readings obtained are as shown in **Table Q5**. Determine the earth resistance of the earth electrode.

( 9 marks )

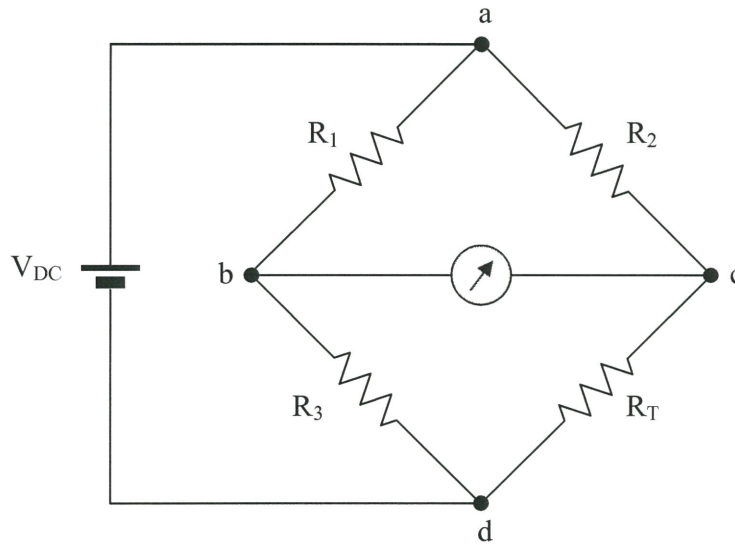
**Table Q5**

| <b>P rod distance from E rod</b> | <b>Resistance (<math>\Omega</math>)</b> |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 10 %                             | 71.5                                    |
| 20 %                             | 82.3                                    |
| 30 %                             | 83.2                                    |
| 40 %                             | 83.6                                    |
| 50 %                             | 83.7                                    |
| 60 %                             | 84.1                                    |
| 70 %                             | 84.6                                    |
| 80 %                             | 85.3                                    |
| 90 %                             | 94.8                                    |

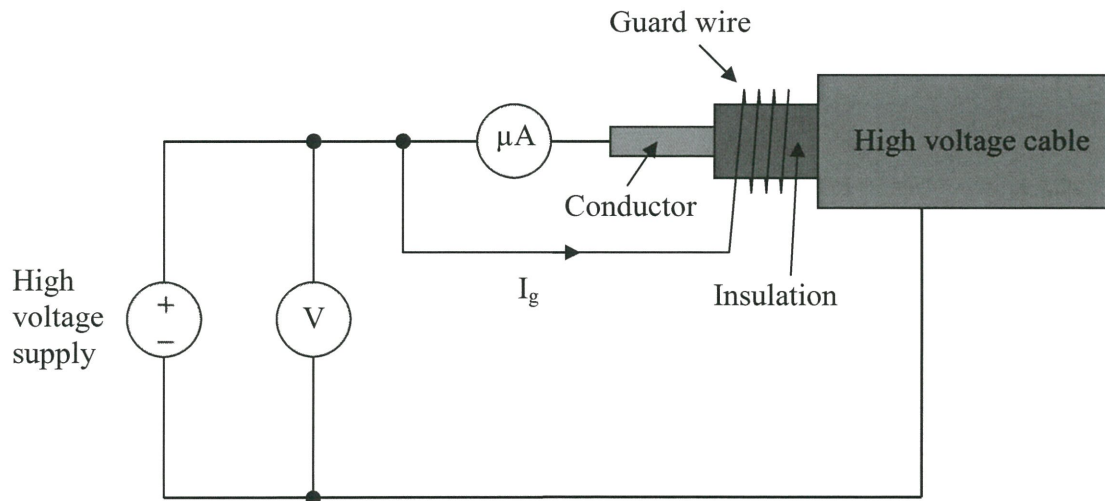
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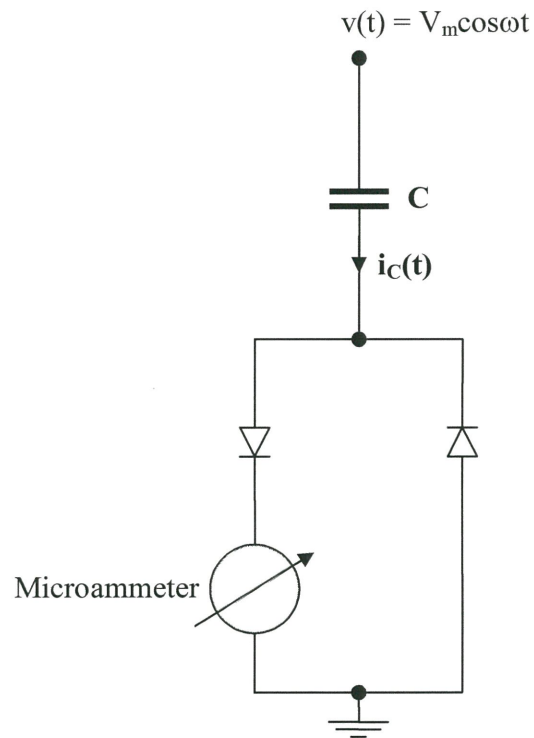
**FIGURE Q3(a)**



**Figure Q3(b)**

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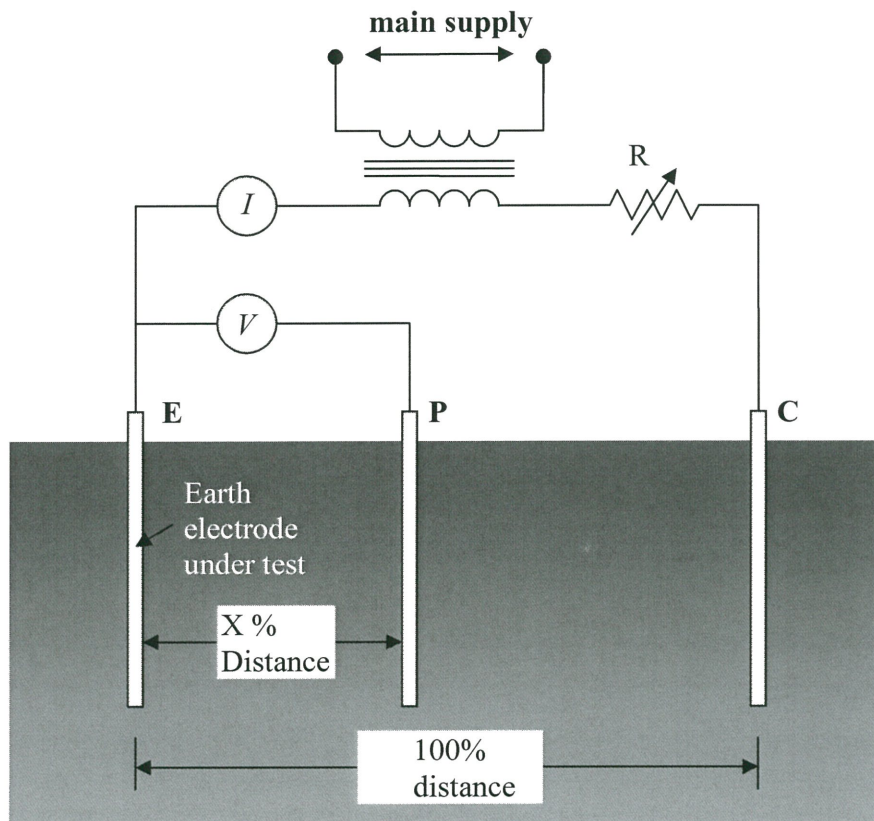
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**Figure Q4**

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**Figure Q5**