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INSTRUCTION : ANSWER **ALL** QUESTIONS

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- Q1** (a) A buck converter has the following parameters:  $V_s = 24$  V,  $D = 0.7$ ,  $L = 150$   $\mu$ H,  $C = 200$   $\mu$ F and  $R = 20$   $\Omega$ . The switching frequency is 25 kHz.
- (i) Sketch and label the equivalent circuit of a buck converter. (2 marks)
  - (ii) Calculate the output voltage. (1 marks)
  - (iii) Analyze the maximum and minimum of the inductor ripple currents by identifying each of them. (6 marks)
  - (iv) Determine the output voltage ripple by referring the output voltage. (2 marks)
  - (v) Compare the waveforms of inductor voltage, inductor current and capacitor current for the given buck converter circuit by sketching them in the same y-axis. (2 marks)
- (b) A continuous-current mode boost converter has an output ripple voltage less than 0.5 % when the input voltage is 14 V and the output voltage is 40 V. The load is a resistance of 50  $\Omega$  and the inductor has an inductance  $L = 120$   $\mu$ H. The switching frequency is 25 kHz. From the changes parameters:
- (i) Determine the new duty ratio. (1 mark)
  - (ii) Analyze the new maximum and minimum inductor currents which give a continuous current mode condition. (4 marks)
  - (iii) Specify the suitable value of capacitor. (2 marks)

Assume ideal components for this design.

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- Q2** (a) In some applications, non-isolated dc-dc converters will give disadvantage due to no isolation between main supply and converter circuit. By considering a transformer, the isolation between main supply and converter circuit can be realized. By analyzing non-isolated and isolated DC-DC converters characteristics, compare the significant parameters between non-isolated and isolated DC-DC converter in terms of the isolation and boost ratio parameters. (4 marks)

- (b) Design a flyback converter to produce an output voltage of 42 V from a 5 V source. The transformer turn ratio  $N_1 / N_2$  is 3, the magnetizing inductance is 500  $\mu\text{H}$ , the output capacitor is 200  $\mu\text{F}$  and the load R is 5  $\Omega$ . Consider a switching frequency is 40 kHz for this design. Assume ideal components for this design.
- (i) Sketch and label the equivalent circuit of typical flyback converter that includes the magnetizing inductance. (2 marks)
- (ii) Determine the required duty ratio  $D$ . (2 marks)
- (iii) Analyze the average, maximum, and minimum values for the current in  $L_m$  by identifying all of them. (10 marks)
- (iv) Calculate the output voltage ripple. (2 marks)

**Q3** (a) Answer briefly the following questions pertaining to AC voltage controllers.

- (i) Explain what an AC voltage controller is. (2 marks)
- (ii) List **two (2)** industrial applications of ac voltage controllers. (2 marks)
- (b) Explain the working of a single-phase ac voltage controller feeding a resistive load with appropriate voltage and current waveforms to support the answer. (6 marks)
- (c) A 3-phase, 60 horsepower, 415 V four-pole induction motor driving a centrifugal pump is started and controlled using a three-phase ac voltage controller. Power factor of the motor at full-load output is 0.87 and the efficiency is 82 percent. The motor current is sinusoidal and the controller and motor are connected in delta. Calculate:
- (i) The rms current rating of the thyristors. (3 marks)
- (ii) The peak voltage rating of the thyristor. (3 marks)
- (iii) The control range of the firing angle  $\alpha$ . (4 marks)

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- Q4** (a) Using a table, provide **two (2)** differences between single phase half wave converter and single phase full wave converter of DC drives. (4 marks)
- (b) Induction motor can be divided into single phase and three phase induction motor.
- (i) Explain in detail the working principle of induction motor. (7 marks)
- (ii) Explain why the single phase induction motor is not self-starting whereas the three phase induction motor is self-starting. (4 marks)
- (c) Draw the equivalent circuit of a cage induction motor together with its characteristics. (5 marks)
- Q5** (a) Referring to the High Voltage DC (HVDC) system and the Flexible AC Transmission Systems (FACTS):
- (i) Describe the salient features of a typical HVDC system. (2 marks)
- (ii) List **three (3)** main advantages of HVDC transmission. (2 marks)
- (iii) Define what is FACTS. (2 marks)
- (iv) Explain why the TCI is preferred over the thyristor-switched capacitor (TSC) when it is desired to have a reactive compensator with continuous control of the current. (4 marks)
- (b) An inductive load supplied from a single-phase ac supply of 240 V, 50 Hz has current ranging from  $(4 + j4)$  to  $(12 - j11)$  A. Design a thyristor-controlled inductor to be installed in parallel with the load to make the power factor unity throughout the current range. (10 marks)

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