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Electric circuit theory I

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

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TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates You should have the following for this examination *-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID* This paper consists of five Questions;. Attempt any THREE Questions. Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- (a) State:
 - (i) Three effects of an electric current
 - (ii) Four factors affecting the resistance of a conductor
- (b) For the series-parallel arrangement shown below.

Determine

(i) the supply current,

- (ii) the current flowing through each resistor
- (iii) the p.d. across each resistor.



Fig 1

(6 marks)

(7 marks)

(7 marks)

(c) A coil of copper wire has a resistance of 100 when its temperature is 0°C. Determine its resistance at 70°C if the temperature coefficient of resistance of copper at 0°C is 0.0043/°C

Question TWO

- (a) By reference to an atom explain
 - (i) Flow of current
 - (ii) Conductors
 - (iii) Insulators

(b) Explain the following

- (i) Electric cell
- (ii) Polarization
- (iii) Local action

(6marks)

(6 marks)

- (c) (i) Distinguish between primary and secondary cells
 - (ii) Four cells, each with an internal resistance of 0.40Ω and an e.m.f. of 2.5V are connected in series to a load of 38.40 Ω .
 - (a) Determine the current flowing in the circuit and the p.d. at the battery terminals.
 - b) If the cells are connected in parallel instead of in series, determine the current flowing and the p.d. at the battery terminals.

(8 marks)

Question THREE

(a) State:

- (i) Three effects of an electric current
- (ii) Four factors affecting the resistance of a conductor

(7 marks)

(b) Using kirchoffs laws determine the current flowing inn all parts of the circuit



(13 marks)

Question FOUR

(a) State

- (i) Superposition theorem
- (ii) Thevenin's theorem

(5 marks)

(b) Determinet the current in the 3Ω resistor using the venins theorem in fig 3



Question FIVE

(a) State Norton's theorem

eorem (3 marks)

(b) Using Norton's theorem determine the current flowing through the 8Ω resistor of Fig 4



marks)

(c) Convert the circuit network below into an equivalent delta given $Z1 = 0.6\Omega$



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