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### EE 2415: ELECTRICAL MACHINES V

Year IV Semester II SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

**SERIES:** FEBRUARY 2013

**TIME:** 2 HOURS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- You should have the following for this examination:
  - Answer booklet
  - Scientific calculator
  - Drawing instrument
- This paper consists of **FIVE** questions
- Answer any **THREE**
- All questions carry equal marks

***This paper consists of Three printed pages.***

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#### **QUESTION 1**

- a) i) Explain a position selsyn is and why is it known as synchros?  
ii) Name the **FOUR** different types of synchros  
iii) Describe the principle of operation of the transmitter receiver selsyn. **(12 marks)**
- b) i) Explain the direction of rotation of a universal motor can be reversed  
ii) Explain single phase motors are usually set on rubber spring mounts.  
iii) A universal motor when connected to a 250V, 50Hz supply and loaded to take 0.8A runs at 1700 rpm at a pt of 0.87 lagging. Determine what speed will it run when connected to a dc supply at the same voltage and taking the same current. The resistance of the motor is 300 $\Omega$ . **(8 marks)**

## QUESTION 2

- a) Explain shunt motors can't operate satisfactorily on ac supply? (4 marks)
- b) Explain the principle of operation of a schrage motor. (8 marks)
- c) i) Describe how the linear induction motor operates.
- ii) An overhead crane in a factory is driven horizontally by means of 2 similar linear induction motors whose "rotor" are two I-beams on which the crane rolls. The 3-phase, 4-pole linear stators which are mounted on opposite sides of the crane have a pole pitch of 60mm and are energized by a variable-frequency electronic source when one of the motors was tested, it yielded the following results stator frequency = 25 Hz: Power to stator = 6kW;
- d) Stator copper iron losses = 1.2kW ; crane speed = 2.4m/s. calculate:
- i) Synchronous speed and slip
  - ii) Power input to the rotor
  - iii) Copper losses in the rotor
  - iv) Gross mechanical power developed
  - v) Thrust
- (8 marks)**

## QUESTION 3

- a) Answer the following in brief:
- i) How the sparks due to transformer emit in ac series motor is reduced
  - ii) How the direction of rotation of a repulsion-start induction motor is reversed
  - iii) Where repulsion-induction motors are used
  - iv) Why torque is not developed in a repulsion motor when brushes are placed directly in line with the stator pole centres
  - v) Why torque is not developed by a repulsion motor when brushes are placed in quadrature with the stator field axis.
  - vi) Why a centrifugal switch is provided in a repulsion-start induction motor.
- (12 marks)**
- b) Explain a single phase reluctance motor operates.
- (8 marks)**

#### QUESTION 4

- a) Explain a commutator frequency changer operate. **(6 marks)**
- b) What will happen to a schrage motor it:
- i) The brush pairs are together on the same commutator segment (i.e are electrically connected via the commutator).
  - ii) The brushes are parted in one direction
  - iii) Movement of brushes is reversed and they are parted in opposite directions. **(6 marks)**
- c) i) Discuss the modifications necessary to operate a d.c series motor satisfactorily on a single phase a.c supply.
- ii) Explain why the speed regulation of a series motor is greater when fed from ac mains than dc mains. **(8 marks)**

#### QUESTION 5

- a) Explain what a rotary converter is. **(4 marks)**
- b) A 3-phase, 250Kw rotary converter develops 250V on the commutator and is supplied from a 2200V, 3-phase system through 3 single-phase transformers,  $\Delta$  -connected on the hv side and Y-connected on the lv side. The converter operates on full load at a pf of 0.9 lag and with 91% efficiency. Determine the voltage and current rating on both sides of the transformers, neglecting all losses. **(16 marks)**