

ANNA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, COIMBATORE  
B.E. / B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS : NOV / DEC 2011  
REGULATIONS : 2008  
THIRD SEMESTER  
080120013 - ELECTRICAL DRIVES AND CONTROLS  
(COMMON TO MECHANICAL / CHEMICAL / PRODUCTION ENGG.)

Time : 3 Hours

Max.Marks : 100

PART - A

(10 x 2 = 20 MARKS)

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

1. What are the basic elements of an electric drive?
2. Give some examples for pulsating loads.
3. Draw the speed-torque characteristics of a constant power load.
4. What is the significance of regenerative braking?
5. What is the difference between 3-point and 4-point starters?
6. Briefly explain how a dc shunt motor takes high starting current.
7. What are the applications of a dc series motor?
8. What are the commonly used power electronic devices for controlled rectifiers?
9. What is the significance of Volt/Hz. control?
10. Define firing angle of a power electronic switching device.

PART - B

(5 x 16 = 80 MARKS)

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

11. (a) Derive an expression for temperature rise of an electrical machine with time and hence plot heating curve.

(OR)

- (b) Describe the various aspects involved in selection of power rating for electric drives.

12. (a) Explain speed-torque characteristics of a drive in terms of four-quadrant operation.

(OR)

- (b) Explain the operation of different braking methods applied to dc motors.

13. (a) Explain the working of a 3-point starter.

(OR)

- (b) Describe in detail the various starting methods of 3-phase squirrel cage Induction motor.

14. (a) Explain field and armature control methods as applied to speed control of a dc shunt motor.

(OR)

- (b) Describe the working of chopper control of separately excited dc motor.

15. (a) Explain the working of slip-power recovery scheme of a slip-ring induction motor.

(OR)

- (b) Describe the working of a three-phase inverter fed three-phase induction motor.

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