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COURSE NAME : POWER QUALITY  
COURSE CODE : BNE 32603  
PROGRAMME CODE : BNE  
EXAMINATION DATE : JUNE / JULY 2018  
DURATION : 3 HOURS  
INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF FIVE (5) PAGES

- Q1**
- (a) Summarize any **FIVE (5)** Power Quality (PQ) problems along with their respective voltage and time periods, causes/sources and effects. (10 marks)
- (b) List **THREE (3)** problems with conductors and connectors, as well as the possible causes of the problems to occur. (6 marks)
- (c) Many power quality variations that occur within customer facilities are related to wiring and grounding problems. Suggest **TWO (2)** grounding solutions for sensitive equipment. (4 marks)
- Q2**
- (a) **Figure Q2(a)** shows the problem occurred from an electrical equipment.
- (i) State and describe the problem. (2 marks)
- (ii) With a proper diagram, illustrate the circuit on how the problem mention in **Q2a(i)** occurs. (2 marks)
- (b) Calculate the percent voltage unbalance using maximum deviation method, if the voltage measurements carried out between the different phases of a three-phases supply gave the following readings:
- $$\begin{aligned} R-Y &= 479 \text{ V} \\ Y-B &= 472 \text{ V} \\ B-R &= 450 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$
- (6 marks)
- (c) List **TWO (2)** harmonic current sources in the AC line. Explain the functionality of each harmonic current sources and draw the respective circuit diagram. (6 marks)
- (d) Classify **FOUR (4)** indicators that are used to quantify and evaluate the harmonic distortion in current and voltage waveforms. (4 marks)
- Q3**
- (a) Three equipments used for PQ monitoring are general-purpose spectrum analyzer, special-purpose power system harmonic analyzers and simple meters. Compare the function of these three devices in monitoring and analysing harmonics problems in power system. (6 marks)

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- (b) PQ industry recognizes that PQ standards are critical to the viability/possibility of the industry.
- (i) Suggest suitable standard codes and names for voltage sag, surge, fluctuation and harmonic. (4 marks)
  - (ii) Draw and explain the Computer and Business Equipment Manufacturers' Association (CBEMA) curve in PQ. (4 marks)
  - (iii) Describe how an American standard is different from an International standard. (6 marks)
- Q4** (a) Briefly discuss what are the linear loads and non-linear loads used in harmonic studies. (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss how current distortion due to nonlinear loads can cause voltage distortion in an electrical distribution system. (2 marks)
- (c) With the help of formula, explain why twelve pulses rectifier have low current harmonics compared to six pulses rectifier. (4 marks)
- (d) **Figure Q4(d)** shows the single line diagram of a small industrial plant where a variable speed drive rated 100 HP, 415 V, 50 Hz is supplied by a transformer rated at 500 kVA. The line current drawn by the load is given by the expression:
- $$i = 100\cos(\omega t - 30.37^\circ) + 20\cos(5\omega t + 28.08^\circ) + 14\cos(7\omega t - 32.66^\circ) + 8\cos(11\omega t + 25.78^\circ) + 6\cos(13\omega t - 34.78^\circ).$$
- Predict the percentage of load voltage harmonic at the point of common coupling if 5.65 % impedance is applied to the diagram. (12 marks)
- Q5** (a) Passive filters are composed of only passive components. Differentiate between low-pass filter and high-pass filter. Please add diagram to support your answers. (4 marks)
- (b) Discuss how active filters overcome the drawbacks of passive filters in controlling harmonics. (4 marks)

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- (c) Design a simple 7<sup>th</sup> harmonic notch filter for a 415 V, three phases, 50 Hz system where harmonics are produced due to a five converted supply loads. The power factor correction approach indicates a need for a 56 kVAR shunt capacitor. (7 marks)
- (d) Furnish a neat flow chart to show a case study follow up from a consumer complaint until an economical solution established by a PQ technologist. (5 marks)

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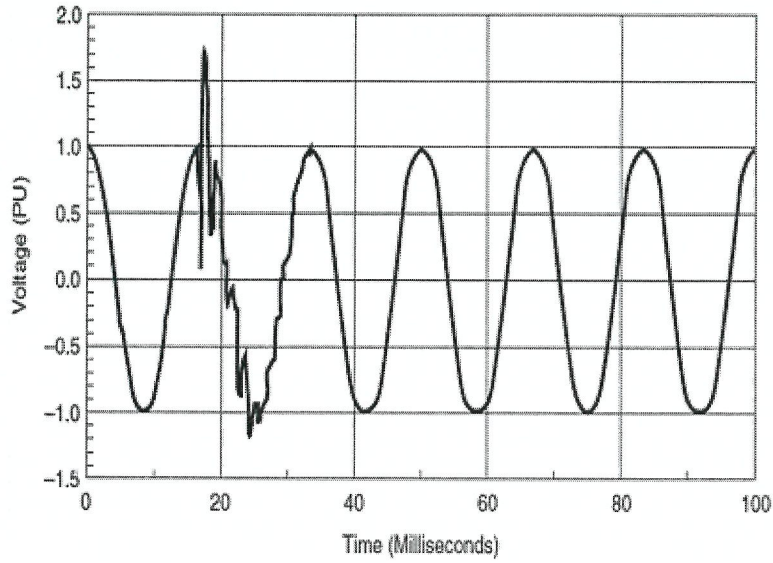


Figure Q2(a)

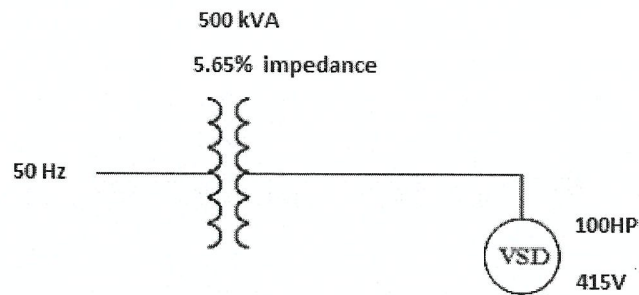


Figure Q4(d)

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