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SECTION A [60 MARKS]

Carefully read each question and then circle the letter that bears the correct answer

1. If the load or torque angle of a 4-pole synchronous motor is 6° electrical, its value in mechanical degrees is 3°
 - a. True
 - b. False
2. For a concentrated winding the pitch factor (K_c) is equal to one.
 - a. True
 - b. False
3. A synchronous motor is doubly excited which means that the stator must be supplied from an AC source while the rotor is also supplied from an AC source.
 - a. True
 - b. False
4. In power systems, frequency is controlled by reactive power control.
 - a. True
 - b. False
5. When a squirrel cage induction motor is energized from a 3-phase system and is mechanically driven to synchronous speed it will deliver power to the system.
 - a. True
 - b. False
6. As power factor decreases the frequency remains constant and hence the speed of an alternator decreases.
 - a. True
 - b. False
7. In static excitation system, a portion of the AC from each phase of synchronous generator output is fed back to the armature windings as DC excitations, through a system of transformers and rectifiers.
 - a. True
 - b. False
8. Concentrated winding makes the waveform of the induced emf more sinusoidal in nature.
 - a. True
 - b. False
9. In an induction motor, maximum starting torque occurs when rotor resistance is equal to the rotor reactance.
 - a. True
 - b. False

23. In drawing the phasor diagram of the induction motor, the rotor resistive drop is drawn in phase with the rotor current and the reactive drop leading the resistive drop by 90°
- True
 - False
24. The open circuit test gives information on the current handling capability of the alternator.
- True
 - False
25. When an alternator is connected with a purely inductive load the current leads the terminal voltage.
- True
 - False
26. In the synchroscope method of synchronisation, clockwise rotation of the pointer indicates that, the frequency and therefore the speed of the incoming machine is too fast.
- True
 - False
27. Which of the following type of induction motor can be used to drive high inertia load?
- Slip ring type
 - Squirrel cage type
 - Single phase induction motor
 - Cylindrical rotor type
28. Which of the following motors will be used in electric clocks?
- DC shunt motor
 - DC series motor
 - AC induction motor
 - AC synchronous motor
29. Which of the following methods is used to start a synchronous motor?
- Damper winding
 - Damper winding with star-delta starter
 - Star-delta starter
 - Cylindrical rotor type
30. The power factor of a synchronous motor is better than that of induction motor because ____.
- Synchronous motor has large air gap
 - Mechanical load on the motor can be changed
 - Synchronous motor runs at synchronous speed
 - Stator supply is relieved of the responsibility of producing magnetic field
31. If the slip of a 3-phase induction motor increases, the current in its stator winding ____.
- increases
 - Remains same
 - Decreases
 - None of the above
32. A 3-phase 450 V, 2-pole, 60 Hz induction motor has 3% slip. The rotor speed will be ____.
- 3600 rpm
 - 3000 rpm
 - 2910 rpm
 - 3492 rpm
33. Which of the following methods is easily applicable to control the speed of the squirrel-cage induction motor?
- By changing the number of stator poles
 - Rotor rheostat control

- c. By operating two motors in cascade
- d. By injecting emf in the rotor
34. When rotor resistance of a three-phase induction motor become equal to its rotor reactance, its starting torque will be ____.
- a. Zero
- b. Maximum
- c. Unity
- d. Minimum
35. Direct on line starting of induction motors is usually restricted to ____.
- a. Low horsepower motors
- b. Variable speed motors
- c. High horsepower motors
- d. High speed motors
36. Slip of an induction motor is negative when ____.
- a. The rotor speed is equal to the synchronous speed
- b. Rotor speed is less than the synchronous speed
- c. Rotor speed is more than the synchronous speed
- d. None of the above
37. It is advisable to avoid line starting of induction motor and use starter because ____.
- a. It will run in reverse direction
- b. It will pick up very high speed and may go out of step
- c. Starting torque is very high
- d. Motor takes five to seven times its full load current
38. In an induction motor the ratio of the gross mechanical power (P_m) to the electromagnetic power (P_E) is equal to ____.
- a. $1 - \text{slip}$
- b. N_s/N_r
- c. slip
- d. $1/\text{slip}$
39. What will happen if the relative speed between the rotating flux of stator and rotor of the induction motor is zero?
- a. The slip of the motor will be 5%
- b. The rotor will run at very high speed
- c. The rotor will not run
- d. The torque produced will be very large
40. In a star-delta starter of an induction motor ____.
- a. Resistance is inserted in the stator
- b. Reduced voltage is applied to the stator
- c. Resistance is inserted in the rotor
- d. Applied voltage per stator phase is 57.7% of the line voltage.
41. The back emf in the stator of the synchronous motor depends on ____.
- a. Number of poles
- b. Flux density
- c. Rotor speed
- d. Rotor excitation
42. Hunting in synchronous motor cannot be due to ____.

- a. Windage friction
b. Variable load
- c. Variable frequency
d. Variable supply voltage
43. In a synchronous motor, the maximum power developed depends on all the following except ____.
- a. Rotor excitation
b. Maximum value of load angle
- c. Direction of rotation
d. Supply voltage
44. A synchronous motor can be used as a synchronous capacitor or condenser when it is ____.
- a. Under-loaded
b. Over-loaded
- c. Under-excited
d. Over-excited
45. Power factor of a synchronous motor is unity when ____.
- a. The armature current is maximum
b. The armature current is zero
- c. The armature current is minimum
d. None of the above
46. The maximum constant torque under which a synchronous motor will pull into synchronism at rated rotor supply voltage and frequency is known as ____.
- a. Pull-up torque
b. Pull-out torque
- c. Pull-in torque
d. None of the above
47. For inverted V-curves for a synchronous motor the graph is drawn between ____.
- a. Armature current and power factor
b. Terminal voltage and load factor
- c. Field current and armature current
d. Power factor and field current
48. The induced emf in a synchronous motor working on lagging power factor will be
- a. More than the supply voltage
b. Slightly than the supply voltage
- c. Equal to the supply voltage
d. Less than the supply voltage
49. A 3-phase synchronous motor is running clockwise. If the direction of the field current is reversed the motor will ____.
- a. Stop
b. Run in the same direction
- c. Run in the reverse direction
d. Burn its windings

Questions 50 to 54 refer to the following data:

A 3-phase, 100 hp, 60 Hz, 480 V, 4-pole, wye-connected, cylindrical rotor synchronous motor has an armature resistance of 0.15Ω and a synchronous reactance of 2Ω per phase, respectively. At the rated load and a leading power factor of 0.8, the motor efficiency is 0.95. Determine the following:

50. The motor input power (P_m).
- a. 74.60 kW
b. 746 W
- c. 78.53 kW
d. 75.00 kW
51. Armature current (I_a).

- a. 112 A
- b. 195 A
- c. 129A
- d. 118 A

52. Back emf or the internal generated voltage (E_b).

- a. 451 V
- b. 516 V
- c. 172 V
- d. 277 V

53. Maximum power developed ($P_{in \text{ max}}$).

- a. 187.478 kW
- b. 100.688 kW
- c. 62.49 kW
- d. 108.24 kW

54. Maximum or pull-out torque ($T_g \text{ max}$).

- a. 994.98 Nm
- b. 331.53 Nm
- c. 1.24 Nm
- d. 994.61 N

Questions 55 to 58 refer to the following data:

A 3-phase, star-connected alternator is rated at 1800 kVA, 14000 V. The armature effective resistance and synchronous reactance are 1.6Ω and 35Ω respectively per phase. The alternator was loaded with 1300 kW at power factors of (a) 0.8 leading, (b) 0.7 lagging (c) unity. Determine the following parameters.

55. The armature current or the line current.

- a. 132.65 A
- b. 76.59 A
- c. 53.61 A
- d. 67.01 A

56. Voltage regulation for a leading power factor.

- a. -12.97 V
- b. -10.98 V
- c. -17.33 V
- d. -14.18 V

57. Voltage regulation for a lagging power factor.

- a. 23.16
- b. 26.64
- c. 18.32
- d. 47.89

58. Voltage regulation for a unity power factor.

- a. 6.78
- b. 5.40
- c. 3.69
- d. 17.6

59. If an alternator winding has a fractional pitch of $5/6$, the angle of short pitch is ____.

- a. 180
- b. 150
- c. 30
- d. 60

60. A 500 kW, 3-phase, 440 volts, 50 Hz, A.C. induction motor has a speed of 960 rpm on full load. The machine has 6 poles. The slip of the machine will be ____.

- a. 0.01
- b. 0.03
- c. 0.02
- d. 0.04

Section B [40 MARKS]

Answer all questions

Q1.

- a. A 12 MVA, 400V, 50 Hz, 3-phase delta-connected alternator is driven at 50 rps, there are 2 coil sides per slots and 16 turns per coil. The armature has 24 slots on its periphery. The pole pitch is 1 slot less than the full pitch. Calculate:
 - i. The winding factor and comment on your answer.
 - ii. The flux per pole.
 - iii. The full load current per conductor.

- b. With the aid of a well labelled diagram, briefly explain the autotransformer starting of the 3-phase induction motor in not more than 6 lines.

- c.
 - i. What is synchronous condenser?
 - ii. With the aid of a well labelled power flow and phasor diagrams explain the concept or power factor improvement by synchronous condenser method.

- d. State four (4) advantages of parallel operation of alternators.

- e. Draw the phasor diagram for an alternator whose armature terminals is connected with a capacitive load.

[25 Marks]

Q2.

- a. State the main difference between constant losses and variable losses and give two (2) examples each of these losses.

- b. The rotor resistance and reactance per phase of a 3-phase, 50 Hz, 440 V induction motor having 2-pole star connected stator winding are 0.2Ω and 1.5Ω respectively. If full-load slip is 5% and stator to rotor ratio is 4:1, Calculate:
 - i. Total mechanical power developed in kW.
 - ii. Total torque developed.
 - iii. The speed at maximum torque, and
 - iv. Maximum torque.

[15 Marks]

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