

Unit 1: Electrical Power Generation

1. Write a short note on the generation of electrical energy
2. Discuss the different sources of energy available in nature
3. What is a steam power station? Discuss its advantages and disadvantages
4. Draw the schematic diagram of a modern steam power station and explain its operation.
5. Explain the important components of a steam power station.
6. What factors are taken into account while selecting the site for a steam power station?
7. Discuss the merits and demerits of a hydro-electric plant.
8. Draw a neat schematic diagram of a hydro-electric plant and explain the functions of various components.
9. Draw the schematic diagram of a nuclear power station and discuss its operation.
10. Discuss the factors for the choice of site for a nuclear power plant.
11. Write a note on major electrical equipments in generating stations
12. What is an excitation system on an AC alternator

Unit 2: Electrical Design of Overhead Transmission Line

1. What do you understand by the constants of an overhead transmission line?
2. Derive an expression for the loop inductance of a single phase line.
3. Derive an expression for the inductance per phase for a 3-phase overhead transmission line when conductors are symmetrically placed
4. Derive an expression for the inductance per phase for a 3-phase overhead transmission line when conductors are unsymmetrically placed but the line is completely transposed
5. What is corona? What are the factors which affect corona?
6. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of corona.
7. Describe the various methods for reducing corona effect in an overhead transmission line.
8. Define a) Skin Effect b) Proximity Effect c) Ferranti Effect
9. Derive an expression for the capacitance of a single phase overhead transmission line.

10. A single phase transmission line has two parallel conductors 3 m apart, the radius of each conductor being 1 cm. Calculate the loop inductance per km length of the line if the material of the conductor is
- (i) copper (ii) steel with relative permeability of 100.
11. A 200 km, 3-phase transmission line has its conductors placed at the corners of an equilateral triangle of 2.5 m side. The radius of each conductor is 1 cm. Calculate
- i) line to neutral capacitance of the line,
 ii) charging current per phase if the line is maintained at 66 kV, 50 Hz.

Unit 3: Mechanical Design of Transmission Lines

1. Name the important components of an overhead transmission line.
2. Discuss the various conductor materials used for overhead lines. What are their relative advantages and disadvantages?
3. Discuss the various types of line supports.
4. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of (i) pin-type insulators (ii) suspension type insulators.
5. Define and explain string efficiency. Explain various methods of improving string efficiency.
6. What is a sag in overhead lines?
7. Deduce an approximate expression for sag in overhead lines when
 - a. supports are at equal levels
 - b. supports are at unequal levels.
8. A 132 kV transmission line has the following data:
 Wt. of conductor = 680 kg/km ; Length of span = 260
 m Ultimate strength = 3100 kg ; Safety factor = 2
 Calculate the height above ground at which the conductor should be supported. Ground clearance required is 10 meters.

9. In a 33 kV overhead line, there are three units in the string of insulators. If the capacitance between each insulator pin and earth is 11% of self-capacitance of each insulator, find (i) the distribution of voltage over 3 insulators and (ii) string efficiency.
10. Each line of a 3-phase system is suspended by a string of 3 similar insulators. If the voltage across the line units is 17.5 kV, calculate the line to neutral voltage. Assume that the shunt capacitance between each insulator and earth is $1/8$ th of the capacitance of the insulator itself. Also find the string efficiency.

Unit 4: Performance of Transmission Lines

1. Give the classification and Representation of transmission lines.
2. Deduce an expression for voltage regulation of a short transmission line, giving the vector diagram.
3. Show how regulation and transmission efficiency are determined for medium lines using end condenser method. Illustrate your answer with suitable vector diagrams.
4. Show how regulation and transmission efficiency are determined for medium lines using nominal T method. Illustrate your answer with suitable vector diagrams.
5. Show how regulation and transmission efficiency are determined for medium lines using nominal π method. Illustrate your answer with suitable vector diagrams.
6. Using rigorous method, derive expressions for sending end voltage and current for a long transmission line.
7. What do you understand by generalized circuit constants of a transmission line? What is their importance?
8. Evaluate the generalized circuit constants for
 - a. short transmission line
 - b. medium line—nominal T method
 - c. medium line—nominal π method
9. What is the maximum length in km for a 1-phase transmission line having copper conductor of 0.775 cm^2 cross-section over which 200 kW at unity power factor and at

3300V are to be delivered ? The efficiency of transmission is 90%. Take specific resistance as $1.725 \mu\Omega \text{cm}$.

10. A (medium) single phase transmission line 100 km long has the following constants: Resistance/km = 0.25Ω Reactance/km = 0.8Ω Susceptance/km = 14×10^{-6} siemen; Receiving end line voltage = 66,000 V. Assuming that the total capacitance of the line is localized at the receiving end alone, determine (i) the sending end current (ii) the sending end voltage (iii) regulation and (iv) supply power factor. The line is delivering 15,000 kW at 0.8 power factor lagging. Draw the phasor diagram to illustrate your calculations.
11. A 3-phase, 50-Hz overhead transmission line 100 km long has the following constants: Resistance/km/phase = 0.1Ω
Inductive reactance/km/phase = 0.2Ω
Capacitive susceptance/km/phase = 0.04×10^{-4} siemen
Determine (i) the sending end current (ii) sending end voltage (iii) sending end power factor and (iv) transmission efficiency when supplying a balanced load of 10,000 kW at 66 kV, p.f. 0.8 lagging. Use nominal T method.
12. A 3-phase, 50 Hz, 150 km line has a resistance, inductive reactance and capacitive shunt admittance of 0.1Ω , 0.5Ω and 3×10^{-6} S per km per phase. If the line delivers 50 MW at 110 kV and 0.8 p.f. lagging, determine the sending end voltage and current. Assume an nominal π circuit for the line.
13. Find the following for a single circuit transmission line delivering a load of 50 MVA at 110 kV and p.f. 0.8 lagging:
(i) sending end voltage (ii) sending end current (iii) sending end power (iv) efficiency of transmission. Given $A = D = 0.98 \angle 3^\circ$; $B = 110 \angle 75^\circ \text{ ohm}$; $C = 0.0005 \angle 80^\circ \text{ siemen}$.

Unit 5: AC & DC Distribution

1. Define and explain the terms: feeder, distributor and service mains.

2. Explain the following systems of distribution:
 - a. Radial system
 - b. Ring main system
 - c. Interconnected system
3. Discuss briefly the design considerations in a distribution system.
4. With a neat diagram, explain the complete a.c. system for distribution of electrical energy.
5. Describe briefly the different types of d.c. distributors.
6. Explain a 3-wire d.c. system of distribution of electrical power.
7. Derive an expression for the voltage drop for a uniformly loaded distributor fed at one end.
8. Describe briefly how you will solve a.c. distribution problems?
9. Write a short note on ground detector
10. Explain three phase unbalanced load in detail
11. What are the advantages of 3-wire distribution over 2-wire distribution?