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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR**

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**FOR THE DEGREE
OF**

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL
AND
COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING**

COURSE CODE: ECE 212

**COURSE TITLE: ELECTRIC CIRCUIT THEORY AND
ANALYSIS I**

DATE: 5TH DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 3: 00 PM – 5:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS.
QUESTION ONE CARRIES 30 MARKS AND ALL OTHERS 20 MARKS EACH.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION 1

[30marks]

- (a) Explain briefly the difference between linear and nonlinear resistors [4marks]
- (b) Differentiate the following types of elements, giving examples in each case [6marks]
 - i. Nonlinear and linear elements
 - ii. Unilateral and bilateral elements
 - iii. Distributed and lumped elements
- (c) State any **THREE** reasons why a sinusoidal waveform is the preferred in electrical engineering. [3marks]
- (d) In the series-parallel circuit given in Figure Q1(d), determine;
 - (i) the total resistance of the circuit. [3marks]
 - (ii) the total current flowing through the circuit. [1mark]

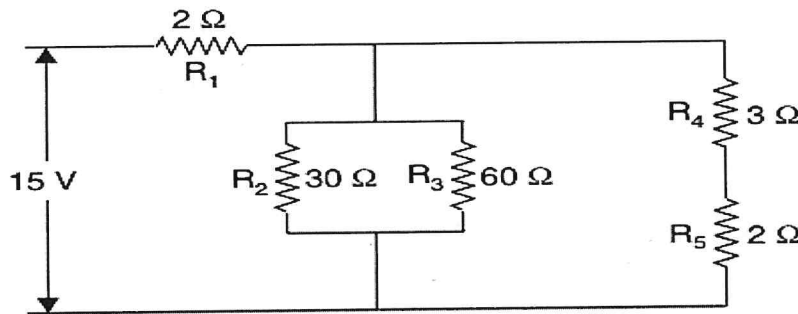


Figure Q1(d)

- (e) Solve the circuit of Figure Q1(e) using Mesh Current Analysis method. [4marks]

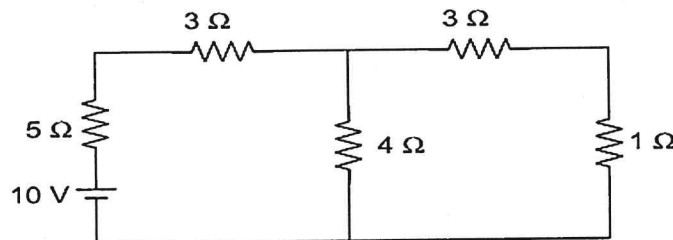


Figure Q1(e)

- (f) An alternating current i is given by; $i = 141.4 \sin 314t$. Determine;
 - (i) the maximum value [1mark]
 - (ii) frequency [1mark]
 - (iii) time period and [1mark]
 - (iv) the instantaneous value when t is 3 ms. [2marks]
- (g) State any **FOUR** limitations of Ohms law [4marks]

QUESTION 2

[20marks]

(a)(i) State Kirchoff's laws

[2mark]

(ii) Determine the current in each branch of the circuit using Kirchoff's law

[4marks]

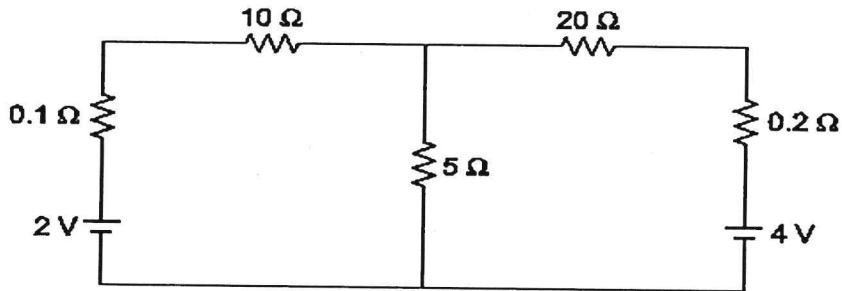


Figure Q2(a)

(b) Determine the value of current flowing through the 1Ω resistor using Superposition theorem.

[4marks]

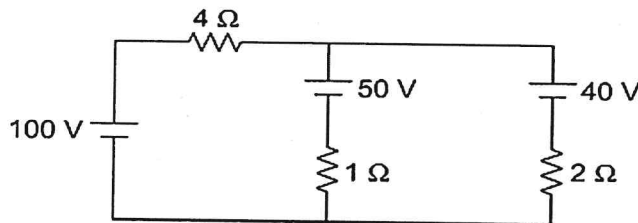


Figure Q2(b)

(c) Determine the currents through the resistance R_3 and R_4 using Node Voltage Analysis. [6marks]

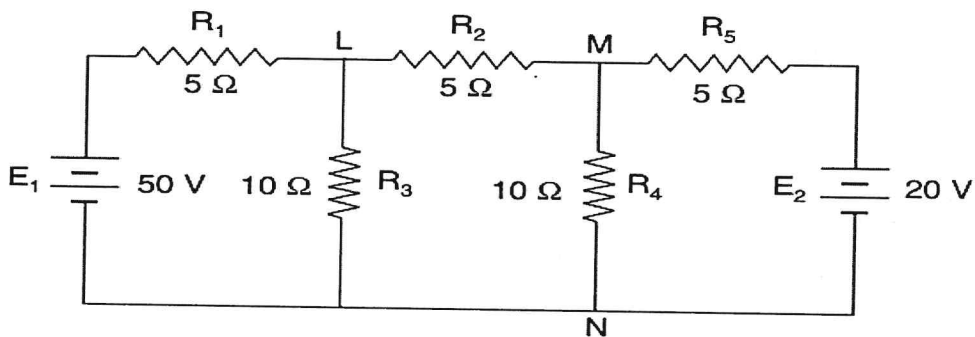


Figure Q2(c)

(d) Using Thevenin's theorem, find the current in the 6Ω resistor;

[4marks]

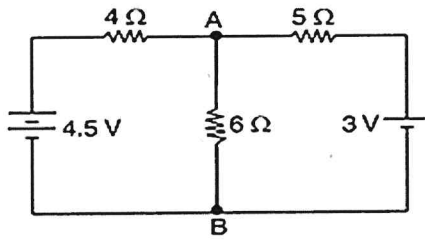


Figure Q2(d)

QUESTION 3

(20marks)

(a) For the circuit shown in FigQ3(a), two impedances consist of resistance of 15Ω and series connected inductance of 0.04 H and resistance of 10Ω , inductance of 0.01 H and a capacitance of $100\ \mu\text{F}$, all in series are connected in series and are connected to a 230 V , 50 Hz a.c. source. Determine;

- (i) current drawn [3marks]
- (ii) voltage across each impedance [2marks]
- (iii) total p.f [1mark]

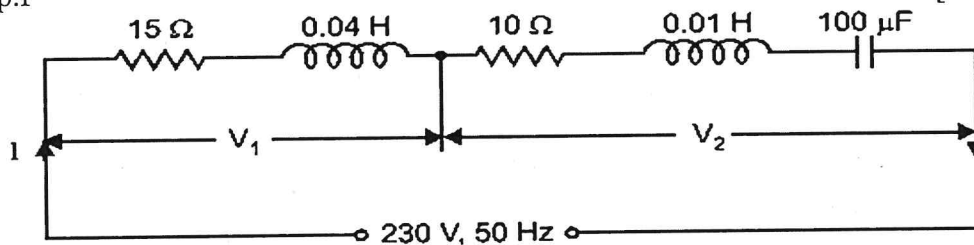


Figure Q3(a)

(b) A 230V , 50 Hz a.c. supply is applied to a coil of 0.06H inductance and 2.5Ω resistance connected in series with a $6.8\ \mu\text{F}$ capacitor. Determine;

- (i) impedance [3marks]
- (ii) current [1mark]
- (iii) phase angle between current and voltage [1mark]

(c) State the THREE advantages of a.c. compared to a d.c system [3marks]

(d) A coil consists of 2000 turns of copper wire having a cross-sectional area of 0.8 mm^2 . The mean length per turn is 80 cm and the resistivity of copper is $0.02\ \mu\Omega\text{-m}$. Find the resistance of the coil and power absorbed by the coil when connected across 110 V d.c. supply.

[4marks]

QUESTION 4

(20marks)

(a) (i) The current in a 2H inductor varies at a rate of 2A/s . Find the voltage across the inductor and the energy stored in the magnetic field after 2 s . [3marks]

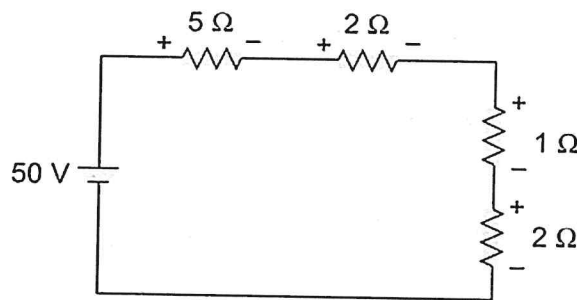
(ii) A capacitor having a capacitance $2 \mu\text{F}$ is charged to a voltage of 1000 V . Calculate the stored energy in joules. [3marks]

(b) A residential flat has the following average electrical consumptions per day:

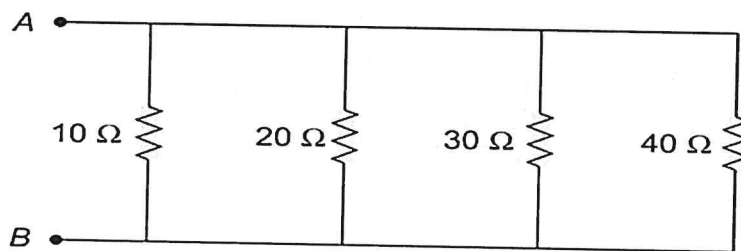
- (i) 4 tube lights of 40 watts working for 5 hours per day;
- (ii) 2 filament lamps of 60 watts working for 8 hours per day;
- (iii) 1 water heater rated 2 kW working for 1 hour per day;
- (iv) 1 water pump of 0.5 kW rating working for 3 hours per day.

Assuming the month has 30 days, determine the cost of energy per month if 1 kWh of energy (i.e., 1 unit of energy) costs Kshs. 3.50 [6marks]

(c) Determine the total amount of power in the series circuit [4marks]



(d) Determine the parallel resistance between points A and B of the circuit shown [4marks]



QUESTION 5

[20marks]

(a) Define the following terms as applied in ac circuit theory [3marks]

- i. Period
- ii. Amplitude
- iii. Frequency

(b) A coil has a resistance of 5Ω and an inductance of 31.8 mH . Determine the current taken by the coil and power factor when connected to 200 V , 50 Hz supply. [4marks]

(c) A capacitance of $20 \mu\text{F}$ and a resistance of 100 ohms are connected in series across 120 V , 60 Hz mains. Determine the current and power factor. [4marks]

(d) A resistance 12Ω , an inductance of 0.15 H and a capacitance of $100 \mu\text{F}$ are connected in series across a 100 V , 50 Hz supply. Determine the current and power factor of the circuit. [5marks]

(e) Given a circuit in Figure Q5(e), determine the circuit current using Kirchhoff's law [4marks]

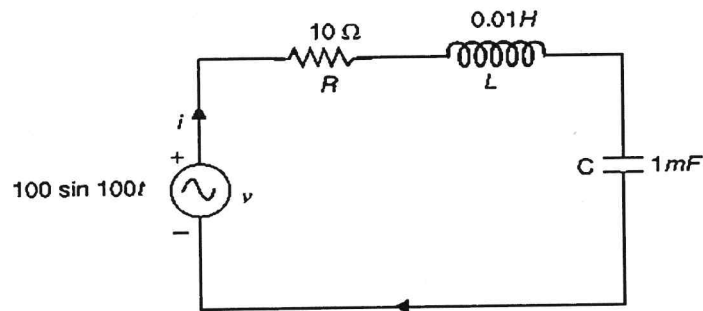


Figure Q5(e)