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**M.E. / M.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOV / DEC 2023**

First Semester

**M.E. - Power Electronics and Drives**

**20PPEPC101 - ADVANCED POWER SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES**

(Regulations 2020)

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

**PART - A (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

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| 1. Explain the softness factor of a diode.   | <i>2,K2,CO1</i>               |
| 2. Schottky diode has no turn on transient and has little turn off transient. Interpret on this statement. | <i>2,K2,CO1</i>               |
| 3. Illustrate how the secondary breakdown is avoided in BJT.   | <i>2,K2,CO2</i>               |
| 4. Interpret the preference of vertical structure type construction in power transistors.                  | <i>2,K2,CO2</i>               |
| 5. Explain the applications of IGBT.   | <i>2,K2,CO3</i>               |
| 6. Explain the limitations of MOSFET and the need for isolation of power semiconductor devices.            | <i>2,K2,CO3</i>               |
| 7. Compare BJT and MCT in terms of gate circuit.   | <i>2,K2,CO4</i>               |
| 8. Interpret how the gate of a thyristor is protected against over voltage and over current.               | <i>2,K2,CO4</i>               |
| 9. Explain latch-up mode of an IGBT.   | <i>2,K2,CO5</i>               |
| 10. Show how the heat sink selection is made for a particular rating of a fast recovery power diode.       | <i>2,K2,CO5</i>               |

**PART - B (5 × 13 = 65 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

11. a) Explain the device selection strategy based on the power rating of the load. *13,K2,CO1*
- OR**
- b) Demonstrate in detail the EMI impact due to switching of the power semiconductor devices. *13,K2,CO1*
12. a) Explain the VI characteristics of a NPN Power transistor and discuss quasi saturation effect. *13,K2,CO2*
- OR**
- b) Explain the operation of MCT. Discuss its advantages over other devices. *13,K2,CO2*

13. a) Demonstrate the steady state and dynamic state models of MOSFET with suitable diagrams. *13,K2,CO3*

**OR**

- b) Outline the MOSFET circuit model during cut off mode, saturation and ohmic mode of operation. *13,K2,CO3*

14. a) Explain various cooling methods used for power devices and for power converter modules in detail. *13,K2,CO4*

**OR**

- b) Identify the protection method employed to protect SCR from transient and over currents. *13,K3,CO4*

15. a) Explain how to calculate the average power loss in a semiconductor switch. *13,K2,CO5*

**OR**

- b) Show how the heat sink selection is made for a particular rating of a fast recovery power diode. *13,K2,CO5*

**PART - C (1 × 15 = 15 Marks)**

16. a) (i) Explain how the gate gets triggered with high  $dv/dt$ . *7,K2,CO4*  
(ii) Explain the features of different types of heat sink. *8,K2,CO5*

**OR**

- b) (i) Explain how snubbers are designed for IGBT protection. *7,K2,CO4*  
(ii) Explain the significance of intelligent power modules. *8,K2,CO5*