Benha University Faculty of Engineering at Shoubra Electrical Engineering Department



3rd year Electrical power High Voltage Engineering (1) Sheet (1A), 2015

- 1- **Define** the meaning of the electric field and **discuss** the various types of electric field according to the electrode configuration.
- 2- **Mention** the various methods for electric field computation and discuss the importance of electric field computation.
- 3- **Mention** the different applications in which electric field computation is important.
- 4- Consider two concentric spheres form a capacitor as apart from GIS; the inner and outer radii are r and R respectively, the potential upon the inner sphere is V.
 - a) **State** the expression for the electric field and the potential at any radius x and then draw them with radius x.
 - b) **Derive** the expressions for the maximum value and minimum value of electric field.
 - c) Derive the field enhancement factor.
 - d) **Derive** the inner radius of the inner sphere at which Emax has a minimum value.
 - e) **Derive** the capacitance of the concentric sphere.
- 5- Consider a pair of coaxial cylindrical electrodes as apart from GIS, the potential upon the inner electrode is V, the inner electrode radius is r where the outer radius of the enclosure is R, the length of the cylinder is L.
 - a) **State** the expression for the electric field and the potential at any radius x and then draw them with radius x.
 - b) **Derive** the expressions for the maximum value and minimum value of electric field.
 - c) **Derive** the field enhancement factor.
 - d) **Derive** the optimal radius of the inner electrode at which Emax has a minimum value.
 - e) **Derive** the capacitance of the coaxial cylindrical electrodes.



- 1. A beam of ions is injected into a gas. The beam has an initial density n_o ions/cm³. **Find** the density of the remaining ions at a distance equal to (a) the mean free path, (b) five times the mean free path.
- 2. In an experiment to measure α for a certain gas, it was found that the steady state current is 5.5 x 10⁻⁸ A at 8 kV at a distance of 0.4 cm between the plane electrodes. Keeping the field constant and reducing the distance to 0.1 cm results in a current of 5.5 x 10⁻⁹ A. Calculate:
 - a) Townsend's primary ionization coefficient α .
 - b) The number of electrons emitted from the cathode per second.
 - c) The electrode spacing that would result an electron avalanche of 10^2 .
- 3. In an experiment in a certain gas it was found that the current between two Parallel plates were 1.22, 1.82 and 2.22 of the initiating photocurrent at distances 0.005, 0.01504 and 0.019 m respectively. E/P and P were maintained constant at 160 V/cm.torr, 0.1 torr respectively. Calculate:
 - a) Townsend's primary ionization coefficient α .
 - b) The secondary ionization coefficient γ .
 - c) The ionization efficiency.
 - d)The distance and the voltage at which transition to self sustained (breakdown) take place.
- 4. The following table gives two sets of experimental results for studying Townsend's mechanism. E is kept constant in each set. **Determine** the values of Townsend's first and second ionization coefficients for each set.

I set 30 kV/cm	II set kV/cm					
Gap distance (mm)	Observed current A					
	I set	II set				
0.5	1.5 × 10 ⁻¹³	6.5 × 10 ⁻¹⁴				
1.0	5 × 10 ⁻¹³	2.0 × 10 ⁻¹³				
1.5	8.5 × 10 ⁻¹³	4 × 10 ⁻¹³				
2.0	1.5 × 10 ⁻¹²	8 × 10 ⁻¹³				
2.5	5.6 × 10 ⁻¹²	1.2 × 10 ⁻¹²				
3.0	1.4 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	6.5 × 10 ⁻¹²				
3.5	1.4 × 10 ⁻¹⁰	6.5 × 10 ⁻¹¹				
4.0	1.5 × 10 ⁻⁹	4.0 × 10 ⁻¹⁰				
5.0	7.0×10^{-7}	1.2 × 10 ⁻⁸				

The minimum current observed is 6×10^{-14} A



3rd year Electrical power High Voltage Engineering (1) Sheet (2A), 2015

5. The following table gives two sets of experimental results for studying Townsend's mechanism. E is kept constant in each set. **Determine** the values of Townsend's first and second ionization coefficients for each set.

Set 1:									
Gap distance (mm)	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Applied voltage	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000	10000
V (volts)									
Observed current 1(A)	10-13	3×10^{-13}	6×10^{-13}	10 ⁻¹²	4×10^{-12}	10-11	10 ⁻¹⁰	10-9	5 x 10 ⁻⁷
Set 2:									
V (volts)	500	.1000	1500	2000	2500	3000	3500	4000	4500
<i>I</i> (A)	5 × 10 ⁻¹⁴	1.5×10^{-13}	3×10^{-13}	6×10^{-13}	10 ⁻¹²	5×10^{-12}	5 × 10 ⁻¹¹	3×10^{-10}	10 ⁻⁸
- 1 -1									7-

The minimum current observed when 150 V was applied was 5×10^{-14} A.

- 6. If an electron starts at a distance of 0.5 mm in a field where $\alpha = b$ -ax cm-1, where X is measured from the cathode surface in cm, **Specify** the type of this field and give the reason, **Also Find** the distance it must travel to produce an avalanche of 10^2 electrons where $a=10*10^3$ and $b=3.5*10^3$.
- 7. **Repeat** the above problem if an electron starts at x=5mm.
- 8. For the field given in problem No.6, **Determine** the minimum distance from the anode, from which an electron start an avalanche having a total no of electrons of 10^2 .
- 9. For the field given in problem No.6, If $\alpha-\eta=a-b\sqrt{X}$ cm⁻¹, **Determine** the thickness of ionization zone.



3rd year Electrical power High Voltage Engineering (1) Sheet (3A), 2015

- 1. Calculate the number of electrons formed in an electron avalanche which has traveled a distance of 1.5cm in the uniform field gap between two parallel plates provided that in air at the given field the values of the ionization and the attachment coefficient are α =7.4, μ =5, η =2.4 The electron avalanche has started by an electron flash of 100 electrons.
- 2. Calculate the value of secondary ionization coefficient that fulfills Towensed criterion of breakdown in a uniform gap of 2 cm width, which stressed by a uniform field corresponding to $\alpha=8$.
- 3. **State** Townsend criterion of breakdown in gases. In a certain gas at low pressure, if the first ionization coefficient (cm⁻¹) is related to E (volt/cm) by the expression $\alpha = (E/200)^{4.35}*10^{-6}$ and if the second Townsend coefficient has a value of 10^{-4} , **Calculate** the electrode spacing necessary to produce breakdown and the breakdown voltage assuming that E is constant at 8 kV/cm.
- 4. If the breakdown voltage of two parallel plates separated by a gap of 0.1cm is 4500V, **Calculate** the total secondary coefficient of ionization $^{\gamma}$ if the gap is air at a pressure 760 torr and temperature of 25 ° C. Take A=15cm⁻¹ and B=365.
- 5. If the voltage of two parallel plates separated by air gap of 0.002 m is 9 Kv just before the transition to self sustaining current. **Calculate** The total secondary ionization coefficient γ at NTP (P=1 atm. = 101.3 Kpa). The A and B values are 11253.7 (m.Kpa)⁻¹, 273840 (v/m.Kpa) respectively.
- 6. For a certain gas the first Townsend coefficient of ionization is given by the standard equation with A=15 (cm)⁻¹ and B=365. If the secondary ionization coefficient is equal to 10⁻⁴, **Calculate** the minimum breakdown voltage and the minimum value of the pressure distance product.
- 7. For a certain gas, if A=15 (cm.torr)⁻¹ and B=365 (v/cm.torr). E/P is kept constant to be 350 V/cm.torr and P is kept constant to be 5 torr. **Calculate**:
 - a) The First Townsend's ionization coefficient α
 - b) The mean free path λ .
 - c) The ionization potential.
 - d)The maximum ionization efficiency.
 - e) If $\gamma=10^{-4}$ calculate the minimum breakdown voltage and the corresponding value of the pressure-distance product.

Benha University Faculty of Engineering at Shoubra Electrical Engineering Department



3rd year Electrical power High Voltage Engineering (1) Sheet (3A), 2015

- 8. For the current growth equation of Townsend's Criterion for breakdown in Gases with second ionization process;
 - a) Mention the Townsend's Criterion for breakdown in Gases?
 - b) What are the drawbacks of Townsend's Criterion for breakdown in Gases?
 - c) **Define** Townsend's first and second ionization coefficients?
 - d)Mention the condition for breakdown in a Townsend discharge?
 - e) **Define** Paschen's law for breakdown in Gases?
 - f) **Mention** how you account the breakdown voltage as a function in "p x d"?
 - g)**Mention** how you account the minimum voltage for breakdown under a given "p x d" condition?
- 9. Write a short notes on each of the following:
 - a) Photo ionization Process.

b) Photoemission Process.

c) Electron attachment.

d) Self sustained discharge.

e) Electronegative gases.

- f) Non self sustained discharge.
- g) The various factors which affect breakdown of gases.
- 10. **Why** is the breakdown strength higher in electronegative gases compared to that in other gases?
- 11. **Mention** the Townsend's criterion for breakdown in electronegative gases?
- 12. **Explain** with drawing the streamer theory of breakdown in gases?

Benha University Faculty of Engineering at Shoubra Electrical Engineering Department



3rd year Electrical power High Voltage Engineering (1) Sheet (4A), 2015

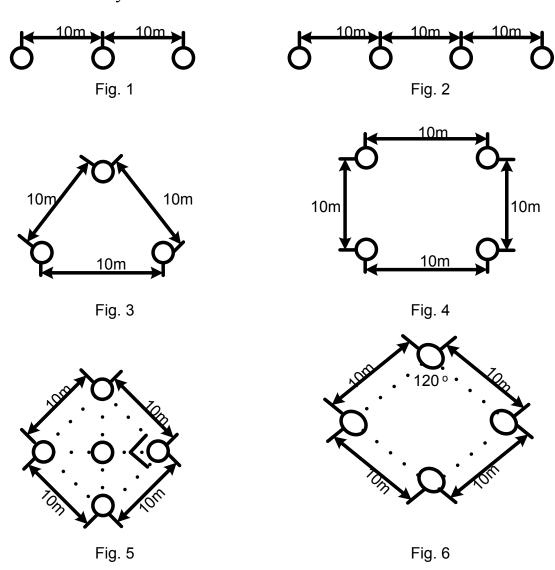
- 1) Transformer oil having a dielectric constant of 2.2 and a dielectric strength of 25 kV/mm, is used as an insulation of spacing 8 mm. **Determine** the maximum applicable voltage. A barrier of thickness 3 mm of transformer board with a dielectric strength of 50 kV/mm, dielectric constant of 4.4 is used in this space to increase the strength. **Does** the transformer board serve this purpose in this case?
- 2) In an experiment for determining the breakdown strength of transformer oil, the following observations were made. **Determine** the power law dependence between the gap spacing and the applied voltage of the oil.

Gap spacing (mm): 4 6 10 12 Voltage at breakdown(kV): 90 140 210 255

- 3) A solid specimen of dielectric has a dielectric constant of 4.2, and $\tan \delta$ as 0.001 at a frequency of 50 Hz. If it is subjected to an alternating field of 50 kV/cm, **Calculate** the heat generated in the specimen due to the dielectric loss.
- 4) A solid dielectric specimen of dielectric constant of 4.0, has an internal void of thickness 1 mm. The specimen is 1 cm thick and is subjected to a voltage of 80 kV (rms). If the void is filled with air and if the breakdown strength of air can be taken as 30 k V (peak)/cm, **Find** the voltage at which an internal discharge can occur.
- 5) **What** is "thermal breakdown" in solid dielectrics, and how is it practically more significant than other mechanisms?
- 6) **Explain** the different mechanisms by which breakdown occurs in solid dielectrics in practice. Then discuss how does the "internal discharge" phenomena lead to breakdown in solid dielectrics?
- 7) **What** are the demerits of liquids with solid impurities?
- 8) **Mention** the different recommendations and requirements which required during testing transformer oil for dielectric strength, and then **mention** the accepted value of dielectric strength for transformer oil?
- 9) **Mention** the different factors which affecting on the BDV for insulating Gases, liquids, and solids?



- 1)Compute the ground resistance for a hemisphere of 0.5, 1 and 2m diameter, at distances 2m, 10m and 100m from the center of the sphere. **Present** the results in both tabular and graphical formats and for different soil composition.
- **2)**Calculate the ground resistance and the overlapping coefficient for the grounding system shown below in each figure, given that the earth resistivity $\rho=100 \ \Omega$.m, the length of the driven rod is 8 m, and its diameter is 6 cm. **Discuss** your results.



3) If the earth resistance of a driven rod is 5 Ω , and its diameter is 5 cm, Calculate the length of the driven rod, given that the earth resistivity $\rho=100~\Omega$.m.