

2025 END OF SEMESTER EXAMS – APPLIED ELECTRICITY 2

SECTION B
ESSAY (1 HOUR)
[50 marks]

Answer **five** questions only from this section. Write your answer in **ink** in your answer booklet. **All** questions carry equal marks.

1. A resistor with resistance of 30Ω , an inductor of inductive reactance 80Ω , and a capacitor of capacitive reactance 40Ω are connected in series with a $240\text{V}, 50\text{Hz}$ a.c. supply.
- a. Draw a circuit diagram of the arrangement. [4 marks]
 - b. Calculate the: i. total reactance ii. Impedance iii. Current [6 marks]

2. The table E below shows the values of a voltage wave over half a cycle.

Time (milliseconds)	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
Voltage (volts)	0	2	4	6	8	10	8	6	4	2	0

- a. using a graph sheet, plot a graph of voltage (vertical axis) against time (horizontal axis). [6 marks]
 - b. From the graph plotted in (a) determine
 - i. average value [2 marks]
 - ii. root-mean-square value of the voltage [2 marks]
3. a. Define power factor in terms of electrical power. [2 marks]
- b. State four effects of low power factor in an electrical installation. [8 marks]
4. A load consists of three star-connected coils each having 9Ω resistance and 12Ω reactance. It is connected to a three-phase $440\text{V}, 50\text{Hz}$ supply. Calculate
- a. Line current
 - b. Power factor
 - c. Total power (in kw) [10 marks]
5. The no-load current of a transformer is 5.0A AT 0.3 power factor when supplied at $230\text{V}, 50\text{Hz}$. The number of turns on the primary winding is 200 , calculate the
- a. Core loss [5 marks]
 - b. Magnetizing current [5 marks]
6. a. with the aid of a circuit diagram, explain the principle of operation of a single-phase transformer.
- b. sketch the diagram of the following:
- i. Shell-type transformer
 - ii. Core-type transformer [10 marks]