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3<sup>rd</sup> Year Elective course Renewable energy systems Time allowed: 3 hrs. Prof.Dr. M.Adel El-Sayes

رجاء: عدم إستعمال القلم الرصاص في الاجابه و إلا تعتبر مسوده

Answer all the following questions:

Q.1:

a. On the I-V curve of a silicon solar cell, demonstrate that the curve is divided into three sections.

b. Show the experimental circuit used in executing the P-V curve of the solar cell.c. If the energy density in Langleys is 1.6, and if the strength of the sunlight is 1 sun, estimate the time continuity of the sunlight.

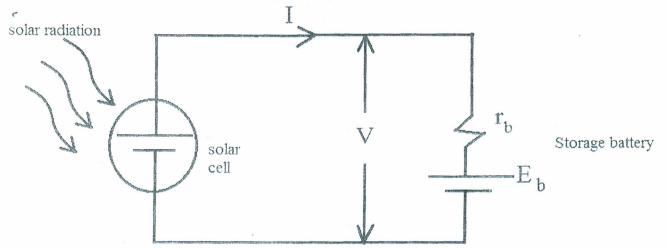
d. Calculate the rooftop area covered with solar cells to produce an average daily electrical energy of 5 KWh. (peak sun hours= 5, %  $\eta_{conversion} = 16\%$ )

<u>Q.2:</u>

a. For the solar cell's c/c's described in the following table, complete the missing data.

R	R1=∞	R2=10 Ω	R3=8 Ω	R4=2 Ω	R5=0 Ω
V	V1=??	V2=30 V	V3=??	V4=10 V	V5=??
I	I1=??	I2=??	I3=1 A	I4=??	I5=??

b. For the storage battery charged by the solar cell, show the operating point of the circuit (V, I). Compute how the  $r_b$  and  $E_b$  are selected to make the solar cell to operate at the operating maximum power point.



c. A solar cell is rated 800mA, 0.45V at 25°C. The solar cell area is  $25cm^2$ . Calculate:

- 1. Output power and load resistance at 25°C.
- 2. Output power and load resistance at 50°C and 70°C.
- 3. The percentage reduction in the output power due to the increase in the temperature rise.

<u>Q.3:</u>

a. Show the I-V curve of the solar cell:

1. At different solar radiation levels.

2. At different ambient temperature.

b. An 8cm square solar cell has a rating at 25°C of 1500 mA and 0.45V in a full sun, what is the cell's efficiency at: 25°C, 50°C, and 70°C.

c. Show how the cell described in the above (in Q3.b) can be modified so that it supplies the followings:

a. I= 375 mA, V=1.8 V.

b. I=750mA, V=0.9V.

## <u>Q.4:</u>

a. Remember the temperature coefficients of the cell:  $\Delta Max.p/\Delta T$ ,  $\Delta V_{o.c.}/\Delta T$ , and  $\Delta I_{S.C.}/\Delta T$ , demonstrate the construction and theoretical efficiencies of the silicon solar cells.

b. Illustrate the schematic figures showing the followings:

1. Pure silicon crystals.

2. N-type silicon materials.

3. P-type silicon material.

4. Barrier formation.

5. P-N Junction silicon solar cell.

c. Demonstrate how the solar cell converts directly the solar energy into electrical energy.

d. Draw the schematic figure of a silicon solar cell showing their different layers.

## <u>Q.5:</u>

a. A silicon solar cells are rated at 0.4V and 1.1A, how many solar cells are required to produce 3.3A at 2.4V, also, show the used series-parallel combination.

b. Demonstrate the concentrator cells used for achieving a magnification factor of 16. c. A solar module in rated 5.2V, 35W. It is used to power 28V supply requiring 20A of current. Find:

a. The number of modules needed.

b. Their connection.

c. The required value of load resistance to achieve the rated power.