

Electrical Discharge and Plasma

- a. Course Code:EPE-818
- b. Title: Electrical Discharge and Plasma
- c. Credit Hours: For each course=03
- d. Objectives (Repetition: Same as educational objectives)

The objectives of “**Electrical Discharge and Plasma**” course are:

- To gain knowledge of basic processes in low-temperature weakly ionized discharge plasma
- To understand the fundamental properties of DC, RF, corona, and spark type of electric discharges in gases.
- To learn different simulation techniques for discharge plasma simulations
- To learn the use of “Multi-physics Software” for plasma discharge simulations
- To learn and analyze plasma discharge generation techniques for conducting research and development in electrical and other industries.

- e. Outcomes

By the end of this course students will be able for following.

- Understand the core concepts of weakly ionized low-temperature plasma discharges
 - Understand the series of different physical processes behind complete breakdown of different high voltage gaseous insulation
 - Develop and design simulation models for plasma discharges through different numerical simulation techniques and Multiphysics software
- f. Contents with suggested contact hours

The details of the content and contact hours

Sr. No.	Topics	Book	Contact Hours
1	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject of electrical discharge • History of electrical discharge research • Classification of electrical discharges • Subject of low temperature plasma • Interconnection of electrical discharge and plasma 	Y.P.R	3
2	Elementary processes Electrical Discharge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charged particles in plasma and electrical discharge • Motion of charged particles in electric and magnetic field • Collision interaction of charged particles • Ionization and deionization processes 	MA	9
3	High Voltage Discharge Plasma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC discharges • Pulsed DC discharges • Dielectric barrier discharge • High pressure discharges 	DX	6
4	Spark and corona discharges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General concepts • Electron avalanches • Streamer discharge • Streamer initiation and propagation • Streamer in electronegative gases • Spark channel • Corona discharges 	Y.P.R	9

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leader discharges 		
5	Capacitively coupled Radio-Frequency Discharges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RF and microwave discharges • Capacitively coupled discharges • Inductively coupled discharges • Microwave discharges 	Y.P.R	6
6	Plasma Discharge Modelling and Numerical Simulation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theoretical foundation of plasma modelling • Fluid simulation Technique • Particle simulation technique • Hybrid simulation technique • Limitation in plasma modelling and numerical simulation 	DX	6
7	Gas discharge plasma and their applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical power industry (SF₆ alternatives, CO₂ decomposition etc.) • Non-electrical industry (material, processing, medical treatment, water treatment, pollution treatment, waste management) 	MA	6
Total			45

g. Details of lab work, and workshop practice (if applicable). N/A

h. Recommended Reading (including Textbooks and Reference books with dates).

S.	Title	Author(s)	Year	Codes	Remarks
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No.			Published		
1	Plasma Physics and Engineering	A. Fridman and L. Kennedy	2011	A.F	Textbook
2	Gas Discharge and Gas Insulation	D. Xiao	2015	DX	Reference book
3	Gas Discharge Physics	Yu. P. Raizer	1997	Y.P	Text book
4	Fundamentals of Plasma Discharges and Materials Processing	M.A. Lieberman and A. Lichtenberg	2005	MA	Reference book

i. Assessments

Mid-term, Final Exam and quizzes, assignment etc.