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WITH ANSWER GUIDE

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6077AC Electrical Systems Safety – Capstone Assessment

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27 Pages in this Question Booklet

TOTAL MARKS AVAILABLE =100

Aids to be supplied by college:

- None.

Aids to be supplied by student:

- Australian/New Zealand Wiring Rules AS/NZS 3000:2007 (incorporating amendment 1).
- AS/NZS 3008:1.1 Electrical Installations – Selection of Cables, Part 1.1:1998.
- Service and Installation Rules of NSW, October 2007 (incorporating amendment 1).
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Section	Possible Marks	Achieved Marks
A	20	
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Aids permitted where indicated:

Standard Dictionaries	Bilingual Dictionaries	Technical Dictionaries	Programmable Calculators	Non-programmable Calculators	Electronic Devices
No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No

SECTION A – (20 Marks)

Instructions: Select the best answer for the following statements and place an 'X' in the appropriate box on the Answer Sheet on Page 25 of this Question Booklet.

QUESTION 1. (1 Mark)

The route of an underground cable:

- (a) Must be marked at the entry or exit from a structure
- (b) Need not be identified if 500 mm deep
- (c) Must be marked on a plan stored at the originating switchboard
- (d) Must be made known to the customer

QUESTION 2. (1 Mark)

The conductor that connects the main earthing terminal, connection or bar to the earth electrode or to the earthing system of the source of supply is known as?

- (a) Main neutral conductor
- (b) Neutral conductor
- (c) Main earth bonding conductor
- (d) Main earth conductor

QUESTION 3. (1 Mark)

Where is the point of supply in an electrical installation?

- (a) Where the service mains cross the property boundary
- (b) Where the consumers mains enter the building
- (c) The junction of the consumers mains with the conductors of an electricity distribution system; or output terminals of an electricity generating system within the building
- (d) The junction of the consumers mains with the conductors of any outgoing circuits including all final sub-circuits and sub-mains

QUESTION 4. (1 Mark)

What is the most common method of fault protection?

- (a) Automatic disconnection of the supply
- (b) Use of class II equipment or equivalent insulation
- (c) Electrical separation of the system, in accordance with clause 1.5.5.5 AS/NZS 3000/2007
- (d) Limit the fault current that can pass through a body to a value lower than the shock current

SECTION A – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 5. (1 Mark)

What are the limits for touch voltage?

- (a) 12 Vac or 32 Vdc
- (b) 32 Vac or 50 Vdc
- (c) 50 Vac or 120 V ripple-free dc
- (d) 50 Vac or 500 V ripple-free dc

QUESTION 6. (1 Mark)

When the maximum demand is determined by measurement, the demand shall be determined:

- (a) Over any 15 minute period
- (b) Over any 15 minute period when the highest demand is recorded
- (c) By the highest indication of an ammeter connected to the supply
- (d) By the current setting of a fixed setting circuit-breaker, or by the load setting of an adjustable circuit-breaker

QUESTION 7. (1 Mark)

A main switch that is used to isolate a portion of an electrical installation supplying the lighting and power circuits shall be marked:

- (a) Main switch
- (b) Main switch final sub-circuits
- (c) Main switch (power and light)
- (d) Main switch (domestic portion)

QUESTION 8. (1 Mark)

What is the maximum mounting height for a main switch?

- (a) 1.2 m
- (b) 1.8 m
- (c) 2.0 m
- (d) 2.5 m

SECTION A – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 9. (1 Mark)

How are isolation devices required to be identified?

- (a) They shall be marked to indicate the circuits that they isolate
- (b) They shall be legibly and permanently identified
- (c) They shall be labelled to indicate the type of equipment they isolate
- (d) They shall be marked legibly and permanently indicating the circuits that they isolate

QUESTION 10. (1 Mark)

How must a socket outlet be marked if it is used to supply a fixed hotplate unit, which is installed in a cupboard in a domestic installation and not protected by an RCD?

- (a) Hotplates only 'Not RCD Protected'
- (b) Range
- (c) Hotplates
- (d) Does not require marking

QUESTION 11. (1 Mark)

When cables are installed in a ceiling space of a new domestic residence, what would be the installation conditions for selecting the cables if the cables are lying flat on the ceiling material?

- (a) On a surface
- (b) On a surface partially surrounded by thermal insulation
- (c) On a surface fully surrounded by thermal insulation
- (d) Enclosed

QUESTION 12. (1 Mark)

The value of current used for the calculation of voltage drop on a circuit need not exceed:

- (a) The total connected load supplied through the circuit
- (b) The maximum demand of the circuit
- (c) The current rating of the circuit protective device
- (d) All of the above

SECTION A – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 13. (1 Mark)

What type of insulation must be used to replace removed or damaged insulation when joining cables?

- (a) Reinforced insulation
- (b) PVC tape
- (c) Insulation which is not inferior to that which was removed
- (d) Encapsulated in resin

QUESTION 14. (1 Mark)

How much conductor insulation may be removed when making a termination at a socket outlet mounted on a hollow wall?

- (a) 100 mm
- (b) Only as much as necessary
- (c) 50 mm
- (d) 30 mm

QUESTION 15. (1 Mark)

Structural steelwork associated with a particular electrical installation is required to connect to the earth. What are the requirements for the conductor that connect the steelwork to the earth bar?

- (a) 4 mm² bonding conductor not exceeding 0.5 ohms
- (b) 2.5 mm² protective earth conductor not exceeding 0.5 ohms
- (c) Appropriate size protective earth conductor not exceeding 0.5 ohms
- (d) Appropriate size bonding conductor not exceeding 0.5 ohms

QUESTION 16. (1 Mark)

The minimum depth of cover required over a category B external underground wiring system is:

- (a) Directly below 75 mm concrete
- (b) 300 mm below 75 mm concrete
- (c) 500 mm below 75 mm concrete
- (d) 50 mm below 75 mm concrete

SECTION A – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 17. (1 Mark)

What minimum clearance is required between a clothes line and a catenary cable used to supply a backyard garage?

- (a) 1.2 m
- (b) 2.0 m
- (c) 2.7 m
- (d) 3.0 m

QUESTION 18. (1 Mark)

What is the maximum length of unprotected interconnecting cables for an electricity converter?

- (a) 3 m
- (b) 10 m
- (c) 15 m
- (d) 30 m

QUESTION 19. (1 Mark)

Where double insulation is maintained between the point of supply and the load terminals of the protective devices for the sub-mains and final sub-circuits, the size of the main earth may be determined by:

- (a) The largest active conductor of the largest outgoing sub-main or final sub-circuit
- (b) The consumers mains
- (c) The maximum permissible fault current
- (d) 4 mm²

QUESTION 20. (1 Mark)

An insulation resistance tester should operate at what voltage for 230 V wiring?

- (a) 500 V
- (b) 450 – 550 V
- (c) 450 – 600 V
- (d) 460 V

(END OF SECTION A)

SECTION B – (30 Marks)

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QUESTION 1. (2 Marks)

A timber batten is required to provide mechanical protection for an unarmoured sheathed cable in a roof space passes where it passes over a joist in an accessible location. What size timber batten should be placed beside the cable if the cable height is 20 mm?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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When determining the maximum demand of a final sub-circuit in a domestic installation, what is the demand of a hotplate and an oven having a combined load of 12.6 kW?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

SECTION B – (Cont'd)

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Where the open circuit position is not readily distinguishable, how must circuit-breakers be orientated when mounted in the same row?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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Which standard should be used for the guidance on the selection, installation and control of a photo-voltaic array?

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SECTION B – (Cont'd)

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When performing an insulation resistance test on a circuit containing surge diverters, what voltage may be used if the device is likely to be damaged? What is the minimum acceptable reading?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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When using an ohmmeter to measure fault loop impedance and supply is not available, which conductors should be connected together and where?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

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In wet conditions, how long could a touch voltage of 70 volts be sustained by a person?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

QUESTION 12. (2 Marks)

What is the maximum conductor length, connecting surge protective devices?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

SECTION B – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 13. (2 Marks)

What is the minimum size of bare copper cable used as earth electrode?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

QUESTION 14. (2 Marks)

What is the maximum rating of a three-phase induction motor that is not required to have over-temperature protection?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

QUESTION 15. (2 Marks)

Where conductors or cables are required to pass through a conduit, what are the requirements for the ends of the conduit?

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference:)

(END OF SECTION B)

SECTION C – (35 Marks)

Instructions: This section involves calculations. Show all necessary working in the space provided. Marks will be awarded accordingly. **Answers are to be highlighted or underlined.** Answer the following questions clearly in the space provided in this Question Booklet.

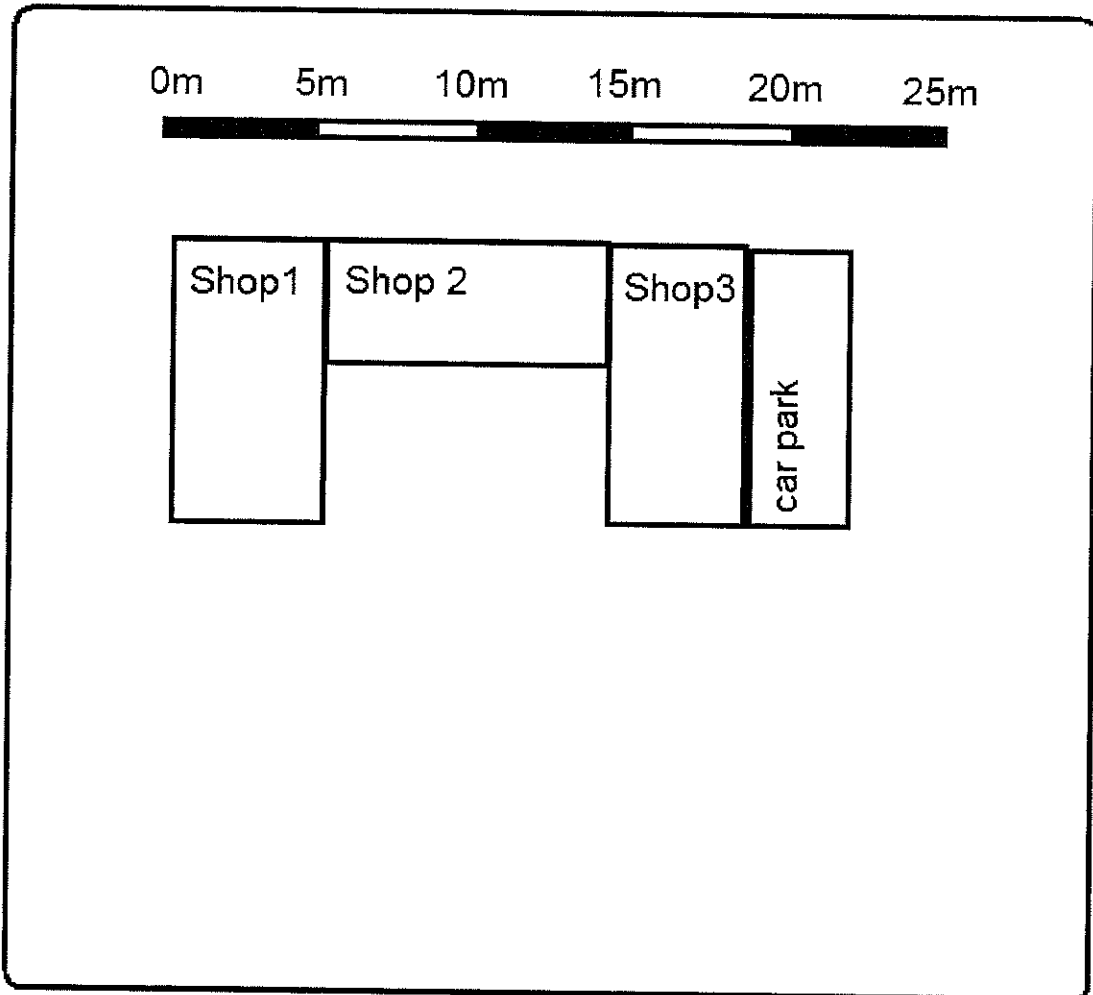


Figure 1

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SECTION C – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 1. (4 Marks)

The small shopping village of Figure 1 is supplied by overhead aerial service mains to a point of attachment at the rear of Shop 1. The main switchboard is located directly below the point of attachment with the consumers mains being three-phase, SDI V75 cables, having a route length of 6 metres and run through a cavity wall. (Shops 1 and 3 do not have air conditioning.)

- 2 (a) Based on floor area, calculate the **maximum demand** and minimum size of the unprotected **consumers mains**. Each shop has a floor area of 50 m² and the car park is 35 m².

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- 1 (b) Calculate the size of the main earth.

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- 1 (c) What are the requirements for the location and marking of the main earth?

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SECTION C - (Cont'd)

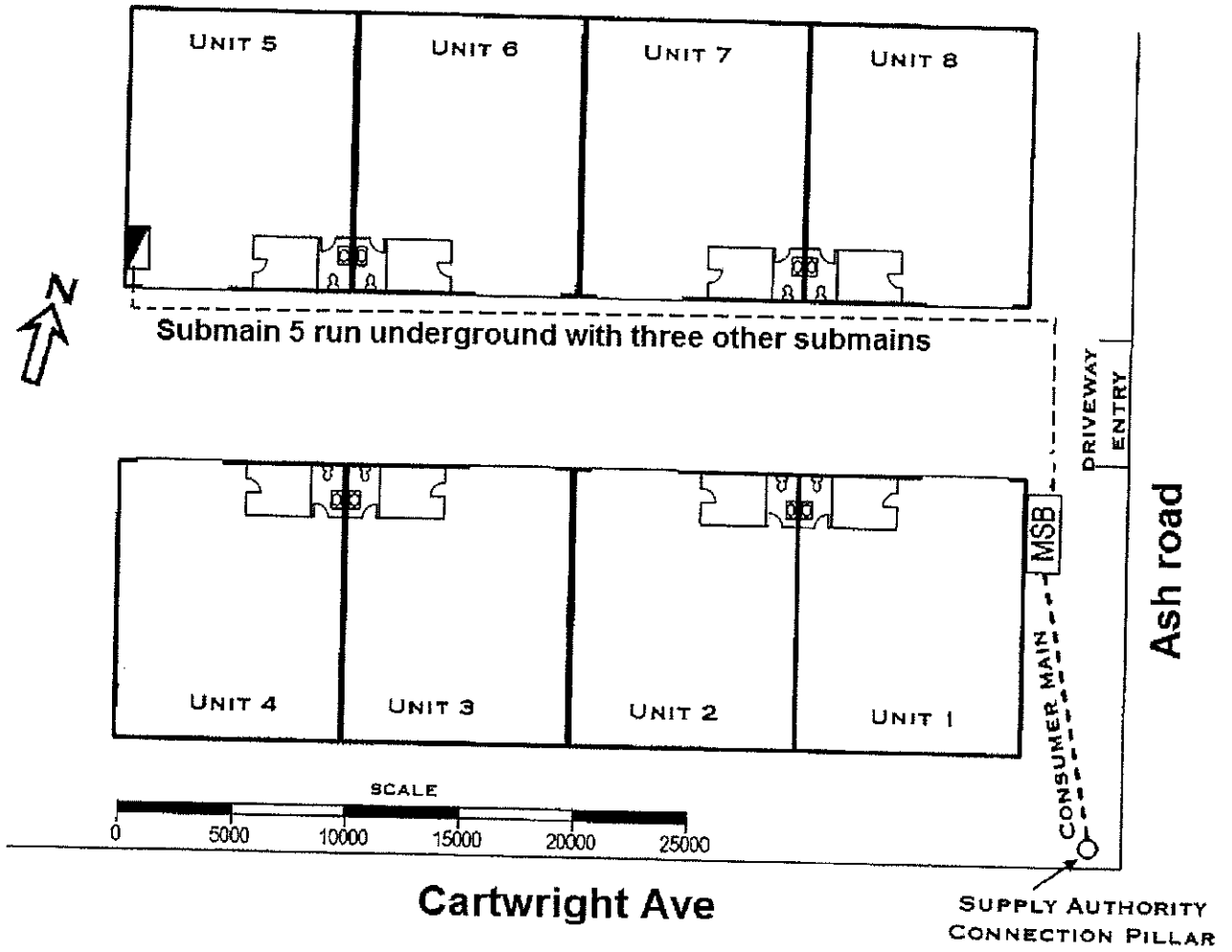


Figure 2

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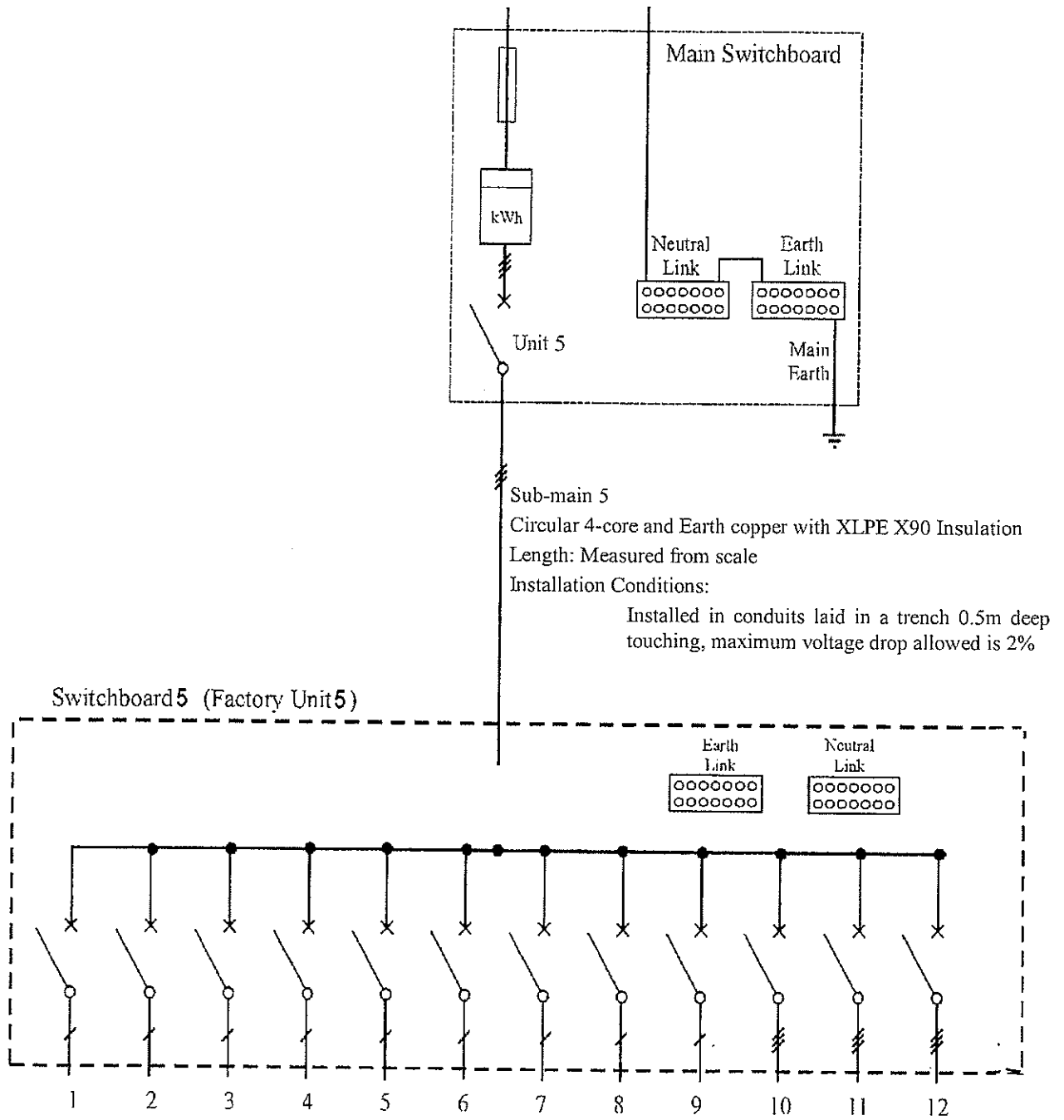


Figure 3

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SECTION C – (Cont'd)

Table 1

Circuit	Description	Quantity	Fitting Rating
1	Fluorescent lighting office	12	0.7 A
2	Fluorescent lighting factory	14	0.7 A
3	Air extraction fan	1	1.5 hp 8 A
4	Single-phase socket outlet – office	12 double	10 A
5	Single-phase socket outlet – factory	10 double	10 A
6	Single-phase socket outlet – factory	3	15 A
7	Single-phase socket outlet – factory	1	25 A
8	Three-phase socket outlet – factory	1	40 A
9	Drill press	1	12.5 A
10	Compressor	1	20 A
11	6 kW Air conditioner	1	6 A / phase
12	6 kW Instantaneous HWS	1	6 kW

QUESTION 2. (4 Marks)

- 2 (a) If sub-main 5 supplying factory Unit 5 in Figure 2 has a maximum demand of 53 A, determine the minimum conductor size based on current carrying capacity when installed as shown in Figure 2 and Figure 3.

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- 2 (b) If the sub-main to factory Unit 1 in Figure 2 was installed close to the roof where the ambient air temperature could reach 55°C, what de-rating factor would apply to the cable?

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SECTION C – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 3. (3 Marks)

The three-phase, 230/400 V consumer main to the block of factory units consists of SDI cables having circular copper conductors. The active conductors are 150 mm². The supply authority nominates the fault level at the point of supply 25 kA. The soil resistivity is very low. The cable route length may be measured off the plan to the edge of the main switchboard. Calculate the theoretical fault current active to earth at the main switchboard.

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QUESTION 4. (6 Marks)

Calculate the maximum demand of the three-phase sub-main to Unit 5 shown in Figure 3 using the information provided in Table 1.

Load Group	Load Description	Qty	Calculation	Demand A Phase	Demand B Phase	Demand C Phase

The maximum demand of Unit 5 is A per phase.

Marks

SECTION C – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 5. (2 Marks)

If the maximum demand of the sub-main to Unit 5 in Figure 2 was 110 A, what would be the minimum size of the active, neutral and earth conductors, based on current carrying capacity, for a V90 multi-core cable having copper conductors, installed in an underground duct together with three other sub-mains, when protected by a 120 A type 'D' circuit-breaker?

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Size based on current carrying capacity

QUESTION 6. (3 Marks)

If the maximum demand of Unit 5 in Figure 2 was 85 A, and the sub-main supplying Unit 5 is X90 multi-core cables having 50 mm² circular copper conductors, would the voltage drop be within the specified limit of 2.0% if the length of the sub-main is 50 metres?

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2 Actual voltage drop

1 Within 2.0% limit

QUESTION 7. (3 Marks)

If the sub-main cable to Unit 5 in Figure 2 was protected by an 85 A type 'D' circuit-breaker, calculate the tripping time for circuit-breaker if the source impedance at the MSB is 0.015 ohms.

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2 Tripping time

1 Is the time within the maximum allowed tripping time for a sub-main?

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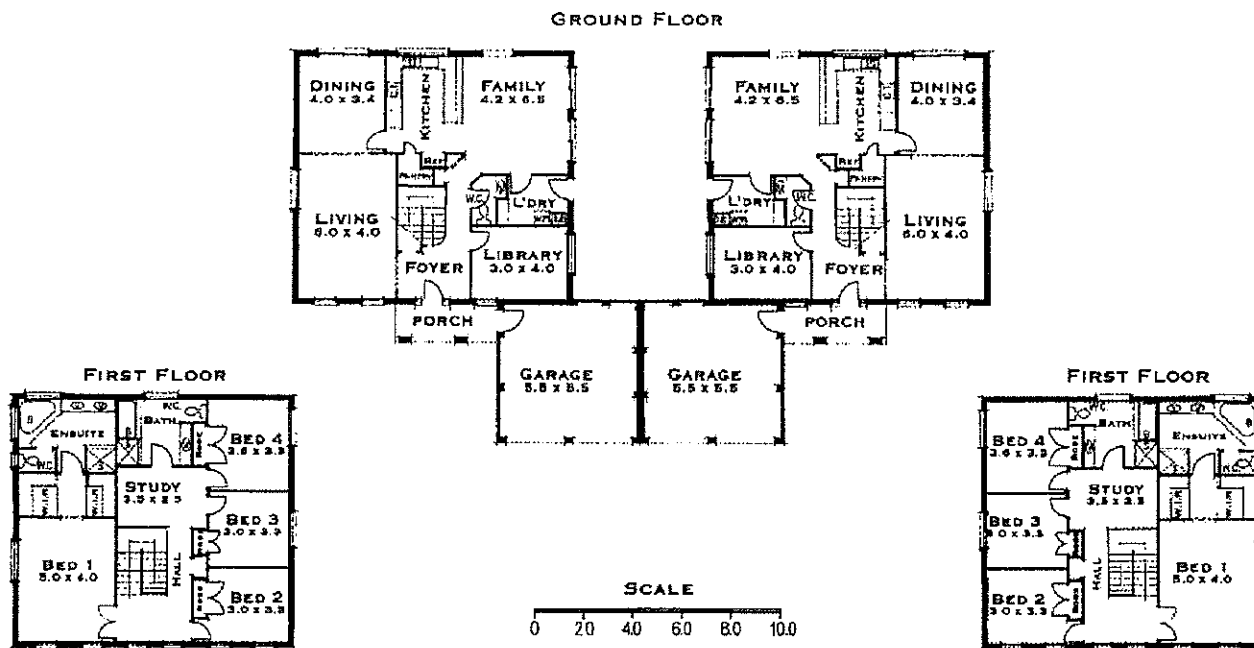


Figure 4

QUESTION 8. (5 Marks)

Calculate the maximum demand for one of the above duplex dwellings with the following load.

Table 2

Circuit	Description	Quantity	Load
1	Low voltage down lights	20	50 W
2	Low voltage down lights	20	50 W
3	Compact fluorescents	10	15 W
4	Single-phase socket outlets	16 double	10 A
5	Single-phase socket outlets	20 double	10 A
6	Single-phase socket outlets	1	15 A
7	Single-phase cook top (20 A SO)	1	7.8 kW
8	Single-phase oven/grill (20 A SO)	1	5.6 kW
9	Security system and smoke alarm	1	0.5 A
10	Single-phase air conditioner	1	12.6 A
11	Solar booster element (controlled load)	1	3.6 kW

SECTION C – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 8. (Cont'd)

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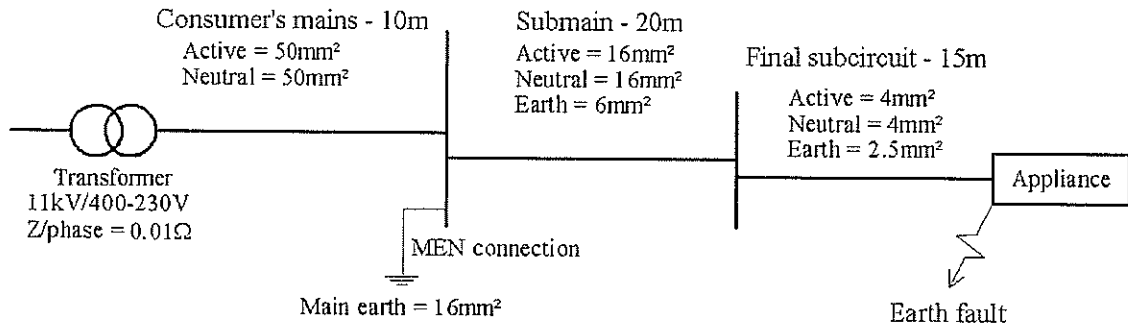
Maximum demand

SECTION C – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 9. (5 Marks)

The diagram below shows a single line diagram representing a supply transformer, consumer mains XLPE X90 to a main switchboard, sub-main XLPE X90 to a distribution board, and a final sub-circuit V75 to an appliance. An earth fault of zero impedance occurs at the appliance. Calculate the total fault loop impedance.

(Note: Assume the fault current returns to the supply via the consumers main's neutral.)



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(END OF SECTION C)

SECTION D – (15 Marks)

Instructions: The questions in this section require some simple drawing. Ensure that the drawing is neat and legible. The use of pencil on the drawing is acceptable in this section only.

Figure 5 shows the time-current characteristic curves for type 'C' and type 'D' thermal-magnetic circuit-breakers of a particular manufacturer. Use this information to answer Question 1 and Question 2 of this section.

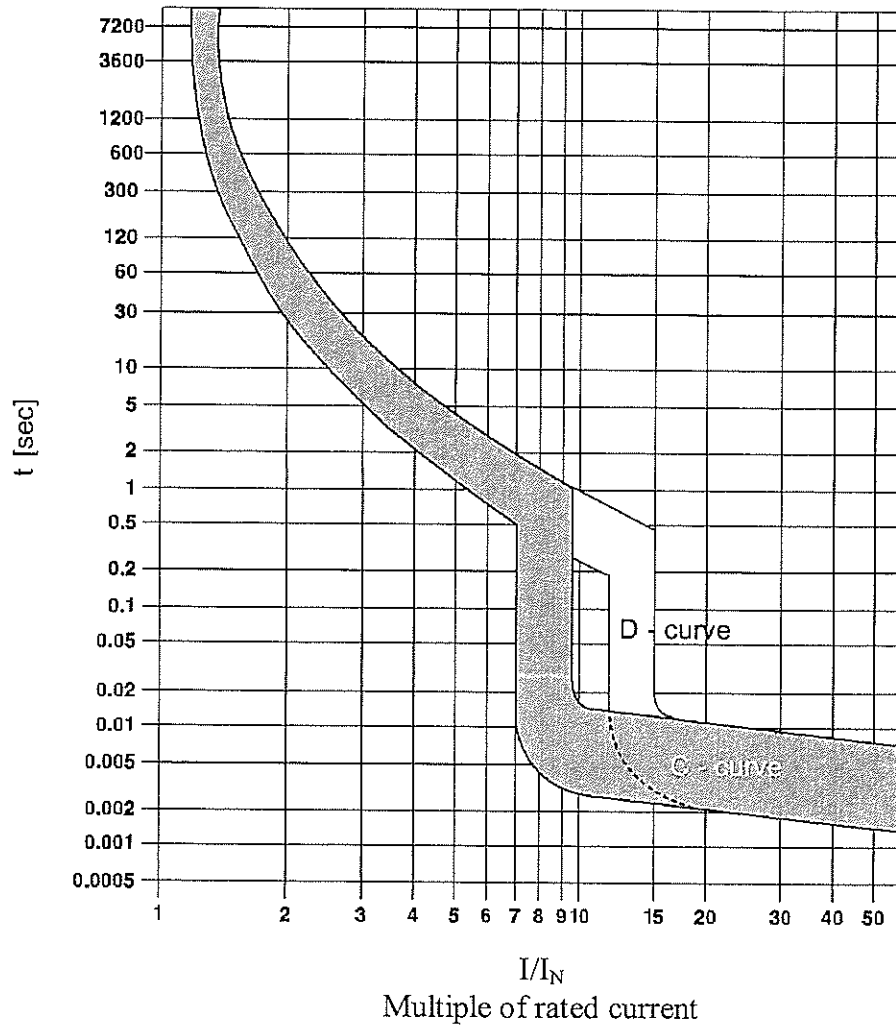


Figure 5

SECTION D – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 1. (3 Marks)

A three-phase motor with an earthed metallic frame is to be permanently installed in a fixed position and connected via an isolation switch. The final sub-circuit to the motor is to be protected by a 40 Amp type 'D' thermal-magnetic circuit-breaker. Using the characteristic curve shown in Figure 5, determine the value of current required to **ensure** the protective device operates within the specified time required by AS3000, in order to protect against indirect contact.

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QUESTION 2. (2 Marks)

A circuit is to be protected by a 50 Amp type 'C' circuit-breaker. Using the circuit-breaker characteristic curve of Figure 5, determine the approximate minimum and maximum operating times for a fault current of 200 Amps.

Minimum seconds

Maximum seconds

QUESTION 3. (5 Marks)

The diagram on Page 23 represents a portion of a single domestic electrical installation. For simplification, only a small selection of equipment has been shown.

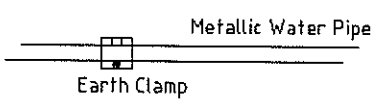
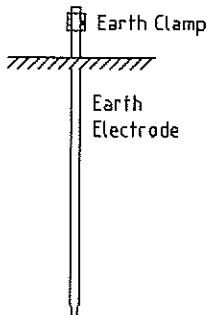
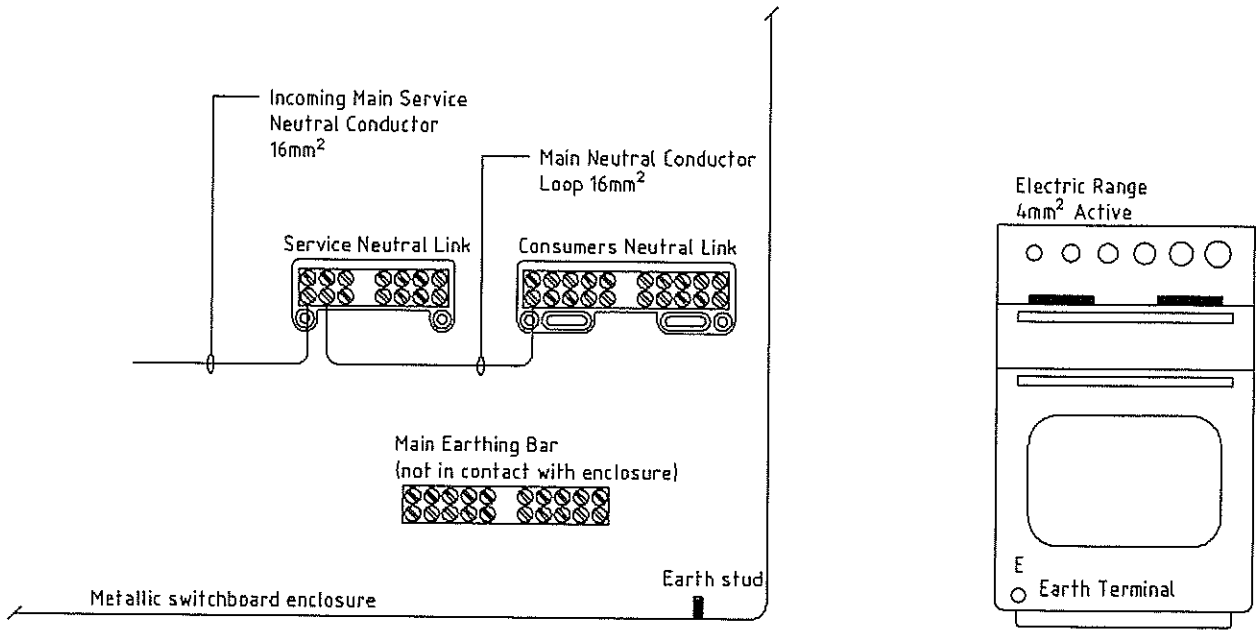
The unprotected consumer mains entering the main switchboard consist of 16 mm² active and neutral conductors. The consumer mains are single insulated within the metallic enclosure.

On the diagram (Page 23), neatly draw in all necessary earthing and equipotential bonding conductors required to complete an MEN system of earthing.

The incoming water service is electrically continuous between the building interior and the ground.

Based on the given information, determine the minimum size of all earthing conductors, which is to be shown alongside each conductor (active and neutral conductors need not be shown).

SECTION D – (Cont'd)



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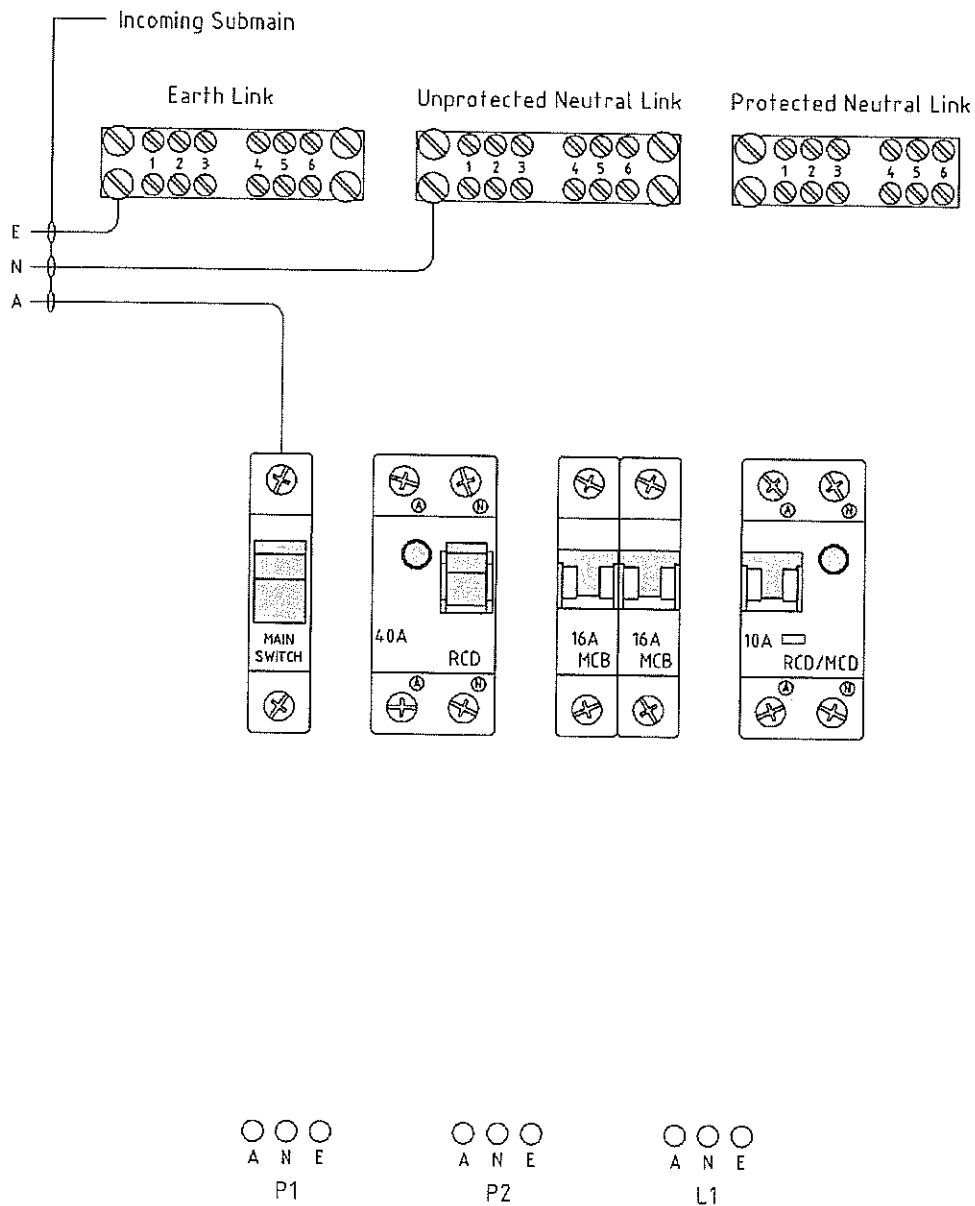
QUESTION 4. (5 Marks)

The diagram below represents selected items contained within a domestic electrical distribution board.

Neatly draw in all **active**, **neutral** and **earth** conductors necessary for the safe and proper operation of the circuits.

Power circuits P1 and P2 will be individually protected by their own 16 A MCB. Both circuits (P1 and P2) will also have additional protection by a common 40 A two-pole RCD.

Lighting circuit L1 is to be protected by a 10 A combination RCD/MCB.



(END OF SECTION D)



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ANSWER SHEET – SECTION A (Multiple Choice Questions)

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- Place an 'X' in the box of your choice. If you make a mistake, circle your answer (X) and choose again.
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_____ > 40mm _____

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Fig H1 or App. H5.1(b))

QUESTION 2. (2 Marks)

When determining the maximum demand of a final sub-circuit in a domestic installation, what is the demand of a hotplate and oven having a combined load of 12.6kW

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(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Table C4_)

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When selecting an isolating switch for a motor and the motor manufacturer has not provided any specific information as to the starting current, the locked rotor or stall current shall be taken as-

___ 8 times full load current for ac motors _____
___ 4 times full load current for dc motors _____

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: _4.13.1.2(i)(ii)_)

QUESTION 4. (2 Marks)

What distance is required between a combustible structural member and a halogen lamp?

_____ 200mm _____

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: _Figure 4.7_)

QUESTION 5. (2 Marks)

Where the open circuit position is not readily distinguishable, how must circuit-breakers be orientated when mounted in the same row?

_____ orientated in one general direction

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number __2.9.3.4__)

QUESTION 6. (2 Marks)

Is additional circuit protection required for exhaust fans and ceiling sweep fans located in residential installations?

_____ Yes RCD protection required (AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number

2.6.3.1 (b) note. With Amendment 1)

OR

_____ No (AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number __2.6.3.1(b) note. Without Amendment 1)

QUESTION 7. (2 Marks)

The operating characteristics of a protective device protecting a conductor against overload shall satisfy what two conditions?

_____ $I_B \leq I_N \leq I_Z$ and $I_2 \leq 1.45 \times I_Z$

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number __2.5.3.1__ OR App. B3.2.1)

QUESTION 8. (2 Marks)

Which standard should be used for the guidance on the selection, installation and control of a photo-voltaic array?

_____ AS/NZS5033 _____

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number 7.3.2(d) OR App A)

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When performing a insulation resistance test on a circuit containing surge diverters, what voltage may be used if the device is likely to be damaged when using the 500V setting?
What is the minimum acceptable reading?

250V and not less than 1 meg ohm

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number 8.3.6 Ex 1(ii))

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When using an ohmmeter to measure fault loop impedance and supply is not available, which conductors should be connected together and where?

active and earth at the origin of the particular circuit

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number 8.3.9.3(a)(i))

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300 msec to 340 msec

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number figure B4)

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QUESTION 12. (2 Marks)

What is the maximum length conductor connecting surge protective devices?

less than one meter ~~phase and neutral~~

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number F1.2.5 and F1.2.2(b))

QUESTION 13. (2 Marks)

What is the minimum size of bare copper cable used as earth electrode?

25mm² (AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number T5.2 Based on Amendment 1)

OR 35 mm² (AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number T5.2 Without Amendment 1)

QUESTION 14. (2 Marks)

What is the maximum rating of a three phase induction motor that is not required to have over-temperature protection?

2250 W

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number 4.13.3.1(b))

QUESTION 15. (2 Marks)

Where conductors or cables are required to pass through a conduit what are the requirements for the ends of the conduit?

_____ have sharp edges removed _____

(AS/NZS 3000:2007 Reference: Clause number _3.10.3.5(a) and (b)_)

Alternate Answer

Installed in a manner that will
prevent water from entering

3.10.2.3 a)

SECTION C – (35 Marks)

INSTRUCTIONS: This section involves calculations. Show all necessary working in the space provided, marks will be awarded accordingly. Answers are to be highlighted or underlined.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer the following questions in the spaces provided.

INSTRUCTIONS: Clearly write your answers in the space provided.

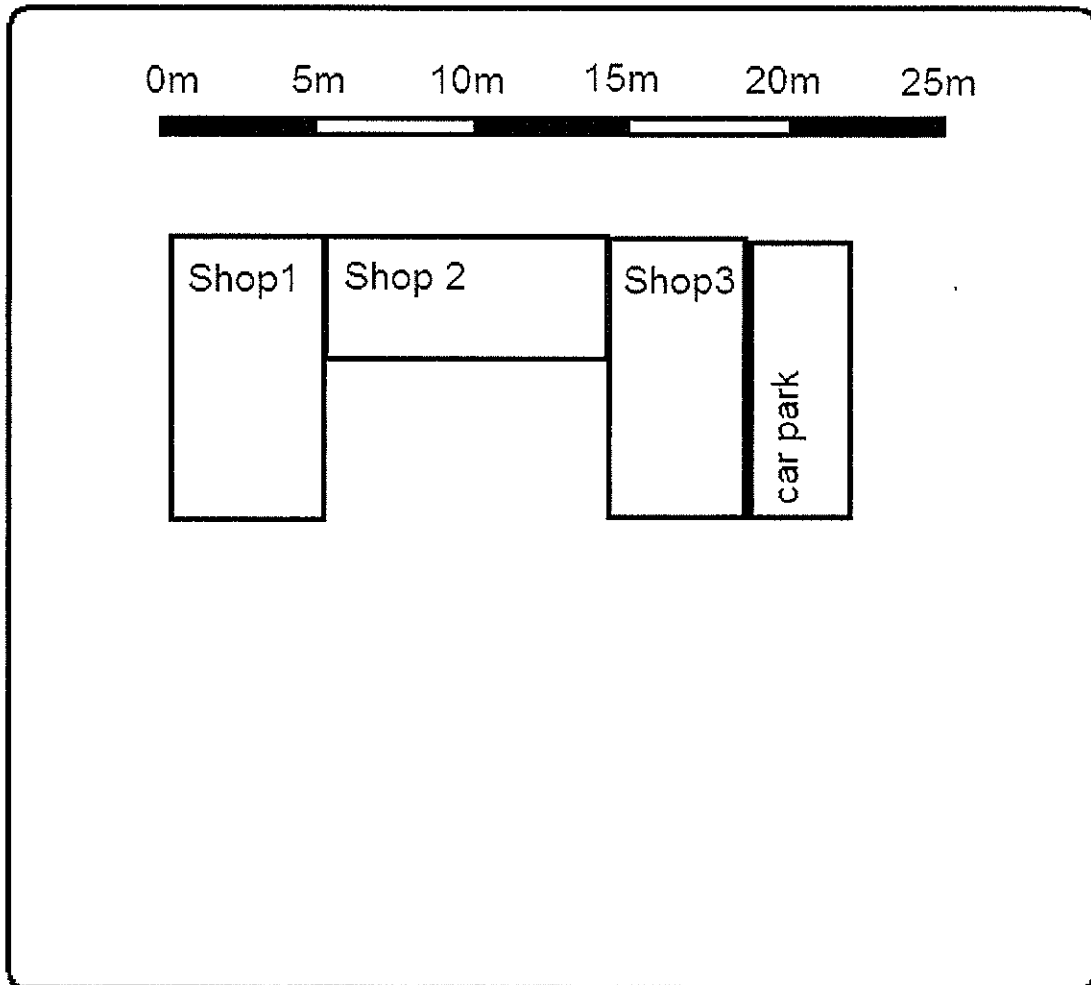


Figure 1

QUESTION 1. (4 Marks)

The small shopping village of **Error! Reference source not found.** is supplied by overhead aerial service mains to a point of attachment at the rear of shop 1. The main switchboard is located directly below the point of attachment with the consumers mains being 3-phase, SDI V75 cables, having a route length of 6 metres and run through a cavity wall. (Shops 1 and 3 do not have air conditioning) (2 marks)

(a) Based on floor area, calculate the **maximum demand** and minimum size of the unprotected **consumers mains**. Each shop has a floor area of 50m² and the car park is 35m². (2marks)

Reference: Table C3

Each shop 50m² Shop 1,3 VA = 2 x 50 x 70 = 7000VA (light & power)

Shop 2 VA = 50 x 100 = 5000VA (light, power & aircond)

Car Park = 35 x 5 = 175VA (open air carpark)

Total VA = 12,175VA

Per phase = 4058VA $\left(\frac{12175}{3} \right)$

Maximum demand = 4058/230 = 17.6A

Minimum size 16mm² NSW Service Rules

(b) Calculate the size of the main earth (1mark)

T5.1 6mm²

(c) What are the requirements for the location and marking of the main earth? (1marks)

Accessible, protected from mechanical damage, protected against corrosion and labelled, **“WARNING: MAIN ELECTRICAL EARTHING CONDUCTOR-DO NOT DISCONNECT”**

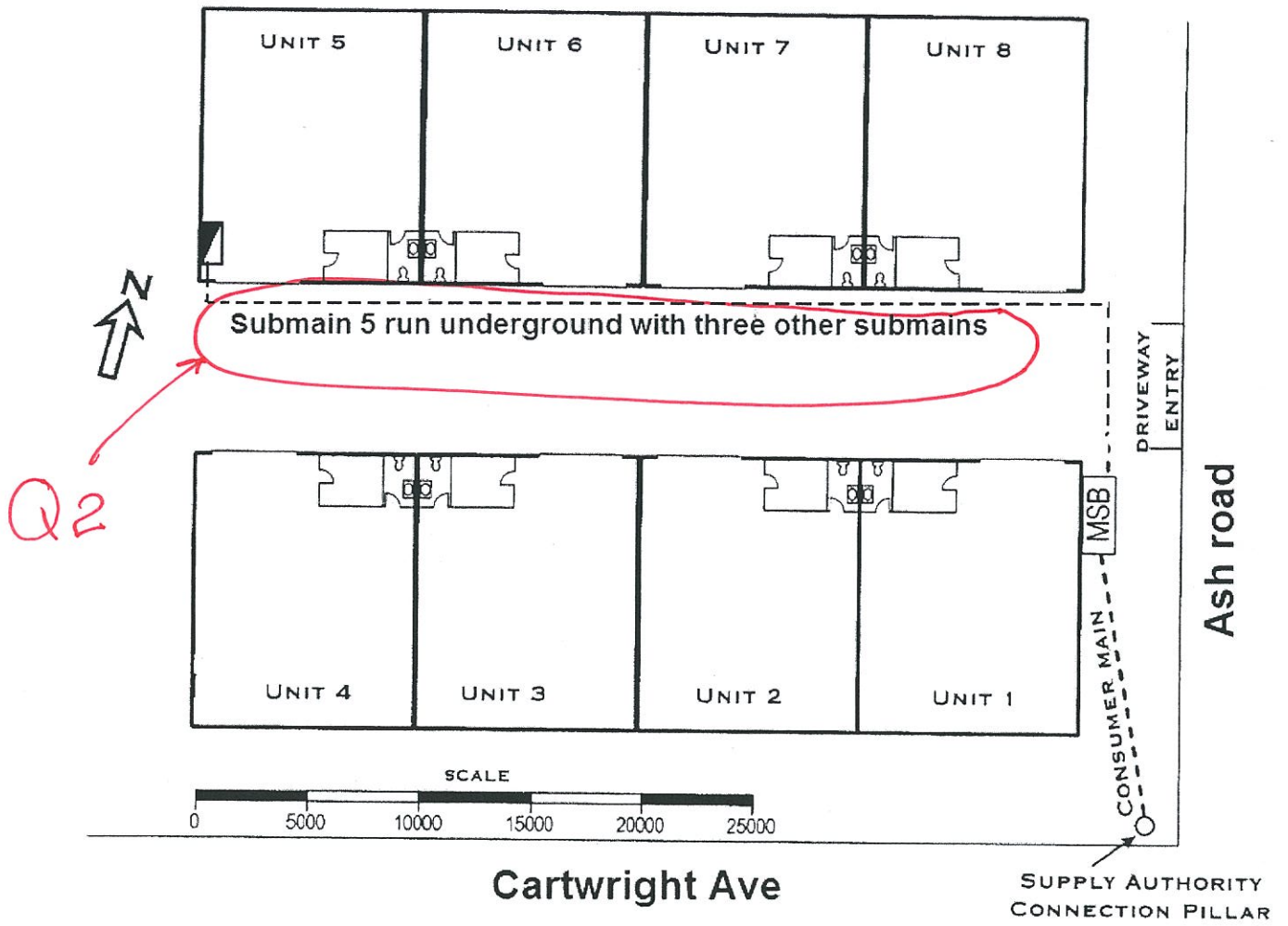


Figure 2

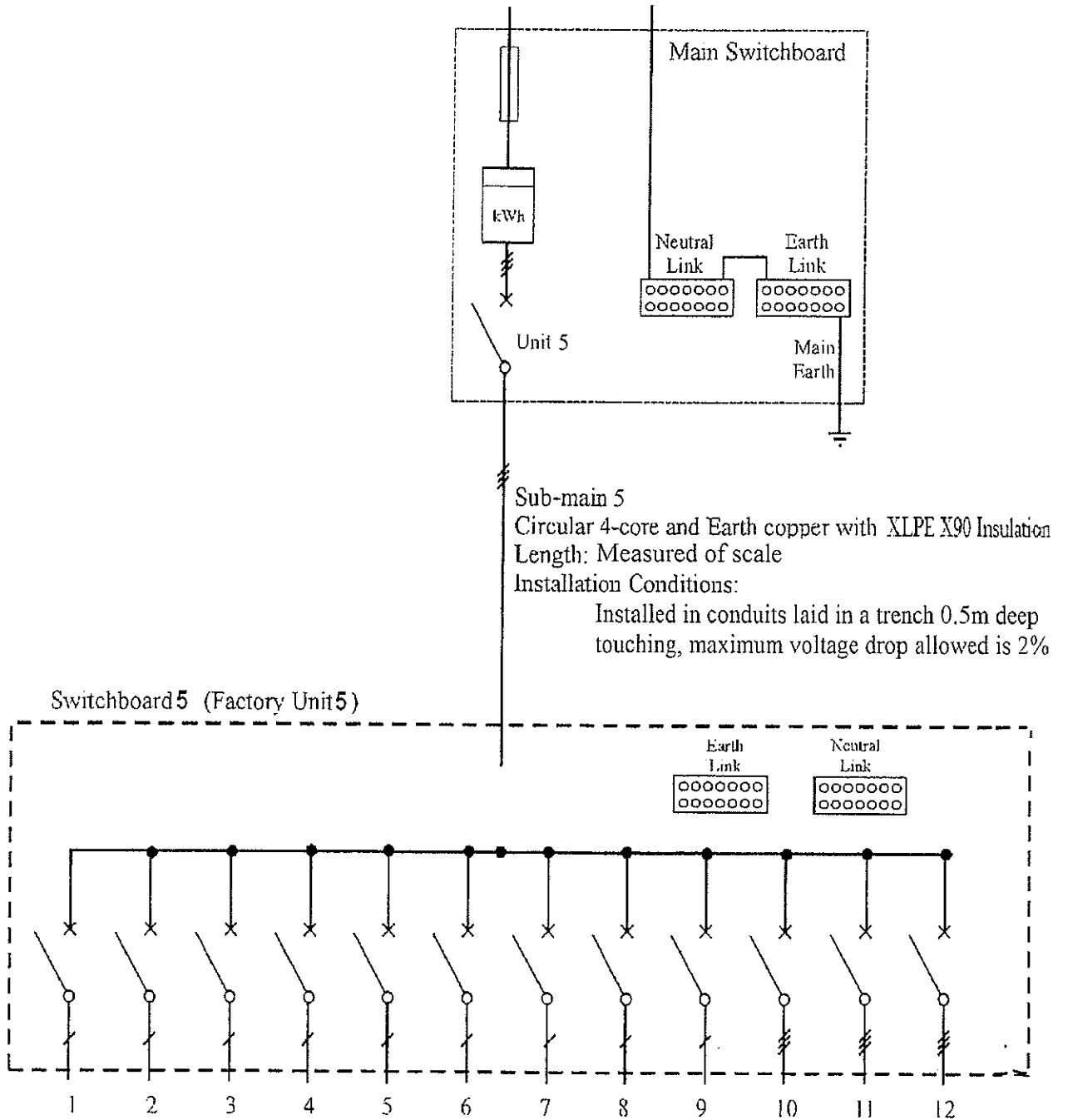


Figure 3

Circuit	Description	Quantity	Fitting rating
1	Fluorescent lighting office	12	0.7A
2	Fluorescent lighting factory	14	0.7A
3	Air extraction fan	1	1.5hp 8A
4	Single phase SO office	12 double	10A
5	Single phase SO factory	10 double	10A
6	Single phase SO factory	3	15A
7	Single phase SO factory	1	25A
8	Three phase SO factory	1	40A
9	Drill press	1	12.5A
10	Compressor	1	20A
11	6KW Air conditioner	1	6A/phase
12	6KW Instantaneous HWS	1	6KW

Table 1

could be 1 ϕ or 3 ϕ
could be 1 ϕ or 3 ϕ

QUESTION 2. (4 Marks)

(a) If sub-main 5 supplying factory unit 5 in **Error! Reference source not found.** has a maximum demand of 53A, determine the minimum conductor size based on current carrying capacity when installed as shown in **Error! Reference source not found.** and **Error! Reference source not found.** (2marks)

T26(2) 4ccts touching 0.79 $53/0.79=67A$, T13 col 14 = $16mm^2 @ 83A$

other references T₂₍₄₎ Item 4 → T₁₃ Col 14 → T₂₄₍₂₎

Note: no derating used T₁₃ Col 14 → $10mm^2$ at 64A (1 mark)

(b) If the sub-main to factory unit 1 in **Error! Reference source not found.** was installed close to the roof where the ambient air temperature could reach 55°C, what de-rating factor would apply to the cable? (2marks)

T27(1) de-rating factor = ~~0.88~~

0.81

Insulation
XLPE x 90
2
55°C

QUESTION 3. (3 Marks)

The three-phase 230/400V consumer main to the block of factory units consists of SDI cables having circular copper conductors. The active conductors are 150mm². The supply Authority nominates the fault level at the point of supply 25kA. The soil resistivity is very low. The cable route length may be measured off the plan to the edge of the main switchboard. Calculate the theoretical fault current active to earth at the main switchboard.

Ref T34 (90°C)

Z_{source} = V/I = 230/25,000 = 0.0092ohms

Z_{cm} = 0.16x13m/1000 = 0.0028ohms

OR

Z_{cm} at 75°C

Z_{cm} = 0.153 x $\frac{12}{1000}$ = 0.00183Ω

Z_{total} = 0.0092 + 0.0028 = 0.012ohms

I_{fault} = V/Z = 230/0.012 = 19.2kA

I_{fault} = 19.2kA

Z_T = 0.0092 + 0.00183

QUESTION 4. (6 Marks)

I_{fault} = $\frac{230}{Z_T}$ = 20.8kA

Calculate the maximum demand of the three-phase sub-main to unit five.

Load group	Load description	Qty	Calculation	Demand A phase	Demand B phase	Demand C phase
A	lights	12	12x 0.7=8.4A	8.4		
A	lights	14	14x0.7=9.8A			9.8
D	Exhaust fan	1	8Ax0.5			4 or 8
Bi	10A SO	24	(1000+100x23)/230=	14.3		
Bi	10A SO	20	(1000+750x19)/230=		66.3	
Biii	15A SO	3	3x15x0.75			33.75
Biii	25A SO	1	25x0.75	18.75		
Biii	40A SO	1		40	40	40
D	Drill	1	12.5x0.75	9.4 or 3φ	9.4	9.4
D	Compressor	1	20 Note: could be 1φ	20 or φ	20	20 or φ
C	Air cond	1	6x0.75	4.5	4.5	4.5
C	HWS	1	6000/(3x230) Note: could be 1φ	8.7	8.7	8.7
			Total	124	140	121

Ref: Tcz Col 3

or 26.1 on 1 phase

The maximum demand of unit 5 is 140A A per phase (Note to marker- subtract 1 mark for each incorrect load group).

QUESTION 5. (2 Marks)

If the maximum demand of the sub-main to unit 5 in **Error! Reference source not found.** was 110A, what would be the minimum size of the active, neutral and earth conductors, based on current carrying capacity, for a V90 multi-core cable having copper conductors, installed in an underground duct together with three other sub-mains, when protected by a 120A type D circuit breaker? Derating table ~~26.2=0.79~~, required CCC = $120/0.79=152A$ Table 9 = $50mm^2$ ~~T22 = 0.65~~

Size based on current carrying capacity = ~~50mm²~~ (Note to marker- No part marks for this question). 120/0.65 = 184A 95mm² @ 210A.

Ref T₂(4) T₁₂ Col 16 → T₂₂

QUESTION 6. (3 Marks)

If the maximum demand of unit 5 in **Error! Reference source not found.** was 85A, and the sub-main supplying unit 5 is X90 multi-core cables having 50mm² circular copper conductors, would the voltage drop be within the specified limit of 2.0% if the length of the sub-main is 50 metres?

$$V_d = V_c L I / 1000$$
$$= 0.868 \times 50 \times 85 / 1000 = 3.7V$$

ref: T42
0.868 mV/Am

T42 X90 mV/Am = 0.868 ~~2% x 230 = 4.6V~~ 2% x 400V = 8V

Actual voltage drop 3.7V (2marks). (Note to marker- No part marks for this part of the question).

Within 2% limit 3.7 ≤ 4.6V yes within limit (1mark)

QUESTION 7. (3 Marks)

If the sub-main cable to unit 5 in **Error! Reference source not found.** was protected by an 85A Type D circuit breaker, calculate the tripping time for circuit breaker if the source impedance at the MSB is 0.015ohms.

V90 copper cables 50m long resistance = $50 \times 0.471 / 1000 = 0.023ohms$

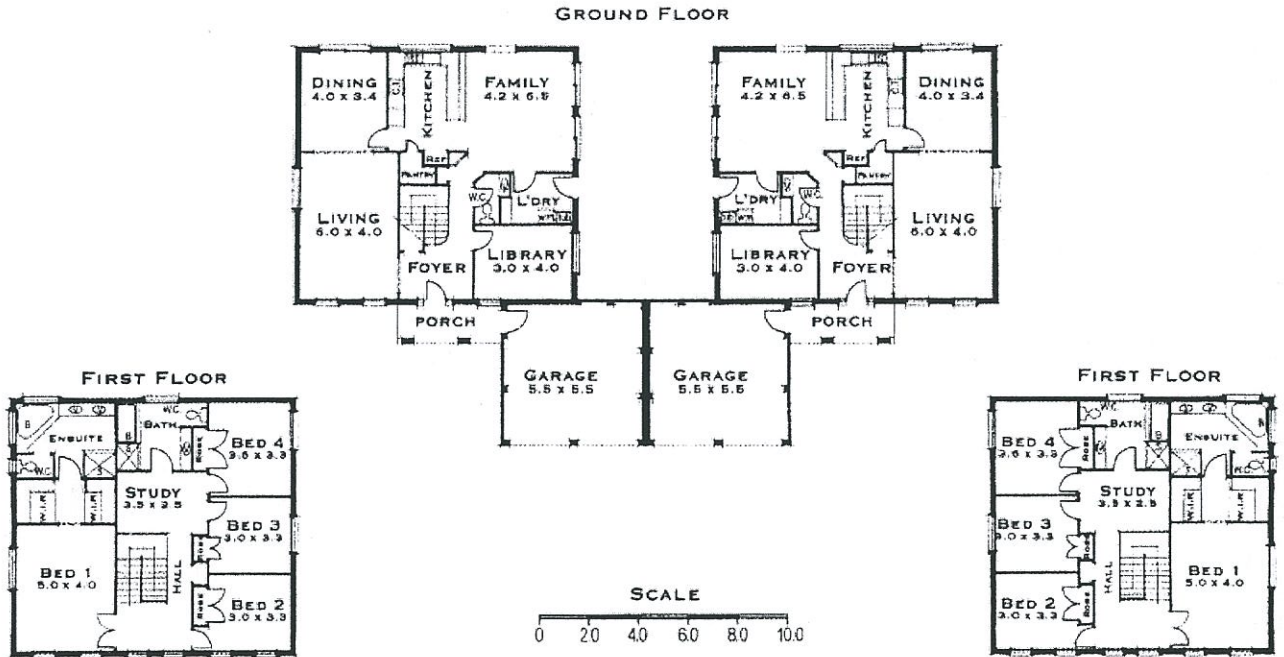
$Z_{total} = 0.015 + 0.023 = 0.038ohms$ $I_{sc} = V/Z_t = 230/0.038 = 6kA$

T52 Max temp =250deg T51, K = 131 I= 12.5x85=1065.25A

$T=K^2S^2/I^2 = 131^250^2/6000^2= 1.21\text{sec}$

Tripping time 1.21sec (2marks)

Is the time within the maximum allowed tripping time for a sub-main? Yes (1mark)



QUESTION 8 (5marks)

Calculate the maximum demand for one of the above duplex dwellings with the following load.

Circuit	Description	Quantity	Rating
1	Low voltage down lights	20	50W
2	Low voltage down lights	20	50W
3	Compact fluorescents	10	15W
4	Single phase socket outlets	16 double	10A
5	Single phase socket outlets	20 double	10A
6	Single phase socket outlets	1	15A
7	Single phase cook top (20A SO)	1	7.8KW
8	Single phase oven/grill (20A SO)	1	5.6kW
9	Security system and smoke alarm	1	0.5A

10	Single phase air conditioner	1	12.6A
11	Solar booster element (controlled load)	1	3.6KW

Ref. Table C1 Col 2

Load group	Load description	Qty	Calculation	Demand
Ai	lights	52	3+2+2	7
Bi	10A SO	72	10+5+5+5	25
Bii	15A SO	1	10	10
C	cooking	2	$(7.8+5.6kW) \times 0.5 / 230$	29.1
D	Air Cond	1	12.6x0.75	9.45
F	HW booster	1	3600/230	15.65

Maximum demand 96.2A

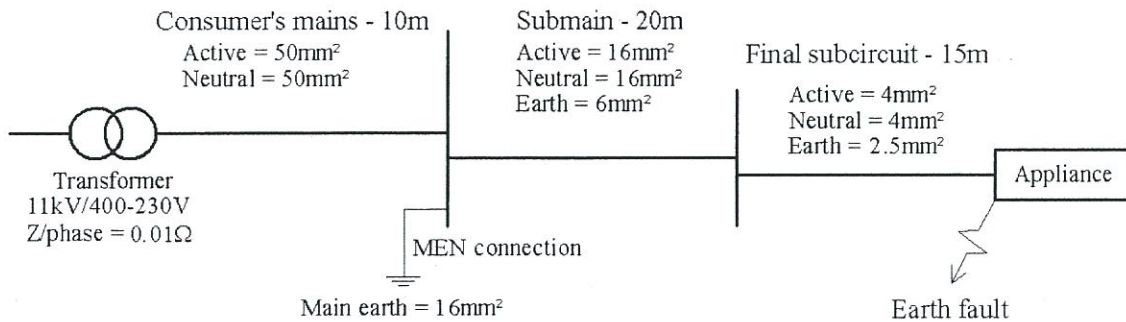
(Note to marker- subtract 1 mark for each incorrect load group).

(5 marks)

QUESTION 9 (5marks)

The diagram below shows a single line diagram representing a supply transformer, consumer mains XLPE X90 to a main switchboard, sub-main XLPE X90 to a distribution board, and a final sub-circuit V75 to an appliance. An earth fault of zero impedance occurs at the appliance. Calculate the total fault loop impedance.

(assume the fault current returns to the supply via the consumers main's neutral)



T35

$$Z_s = 0.01 \Omega \quad Z_{cm} = 0.494 \times 0.01 \times 2 = 0.00988 \Omega, \quad Z_{sm} = 1.47 \times 0.02 + 3.93 \times 0.02 = 0.108 \Omega$$

$$Z_{fsc} = 5.61 \times 0.015 + 9.01 \times 0.015 = 0.2193 \Omega \quad Z_{total} = 0.37618 \Omega = \boxed{0.34718 \Omega}$$

$$I_{fault} = \frac{V}{Z_t} = \frac{230}{0.37618} = 611.4A \quad \text{Question doesn't ask for } I_{FAULT} \text{ (Fault current)}$$

Alternate Answer * Assume CM's are single core use Table 34 90°

Assume SM and fsc are multicore ref T35

$$Z_s = 0.01 \Omega$$

$$Z_{cm} X_{90} = \frac{10}{1000} \times 0.494 \times 2 = 0.00988 \Omega$$

$$Z_{SM} X_{90} = \frac{20}{1000} \times 1.47 = 0.0294 \Omega$$

$$Z_{SM} X_{90} = \frac{20}{1000} \times 3.93 = 0.0786 \Omega$$

$$Z_{fsc} V_{75} = \frac{15}{1000} \times 5.61 = 0.08415 \Omega$$

$$Z_{fsc} V_{75} = \frac{15}{1000} \times 9.01 = 0.13515 \Omega$$

$$Z_{TOTAL} = \boxed{0.34718 \Omega}$$

SECTION D – (15 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: The question in this section requires some simple drawing. Ensure that the drawing is neat and legible. The use of pencil on the drawing is acceptable in this section only.

Figure 5 shows the time-current characteristic curves for type ‘C’ and type ‘D’ thermal-magnetic circuit breakers of a particular manufacturer. Use this information to answer questions 1 and 2 of this section.

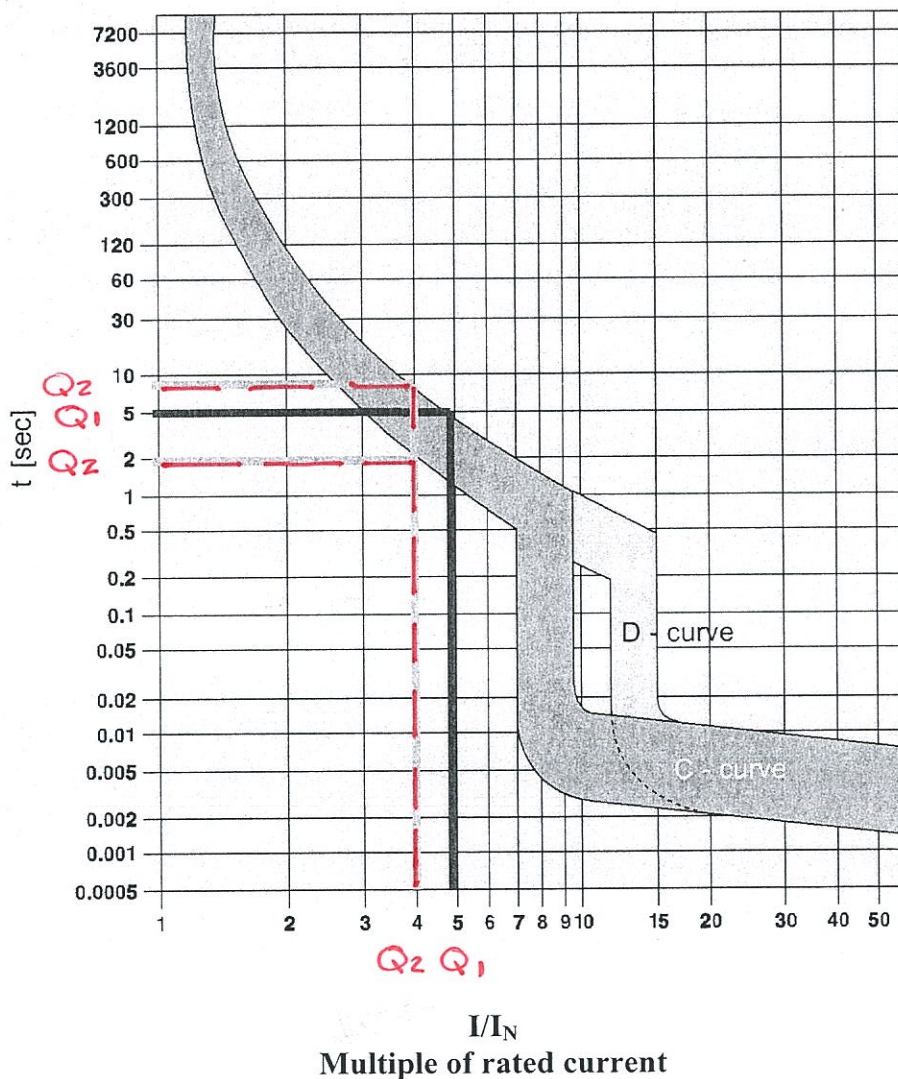


Figure 5

SECTION D – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 1. (3 Marks)

A three phase motor with an earthed metallic frame is to be permanently installed in a fixed position and connected via an isolation switch. The final sub-circuit to the motor is to be protected by a 40 Amp type 'D' thermal-magnetic circuit breaker. Using the characteristic curve shown in Figure 1, determine the value of current required to **ensure** the protective device operates within the specified time required by AS3000, in order to protect against indirect contact.

From graph $I/I_N = 5 \therefore I = 5I_N$

$$5 \times 40A = 200A$$

Note: fixed equipment
trip time = 5secs.

QUESTION 2. (2 Marks)

A circuit is to be protected by a 50 Amp type 'C' circuit breaker. Using the circuit breaker characteristic curve of Figure 1, determine the approximate minimum and maximum operating times for a fault current of 200 Amps.

Minimum 2 seconds

Maximum 8 seconds

$$\frac{I}{I_N} = \frac{200}{50} = 4 \frac{I}{I_N}$$

SECTION D – (Cont'd)

QUESTION 3. (5 Marks)

The following diagram represents the main switchboard of a domestic installation. For simplification, only a small selection of equipment has been shown.

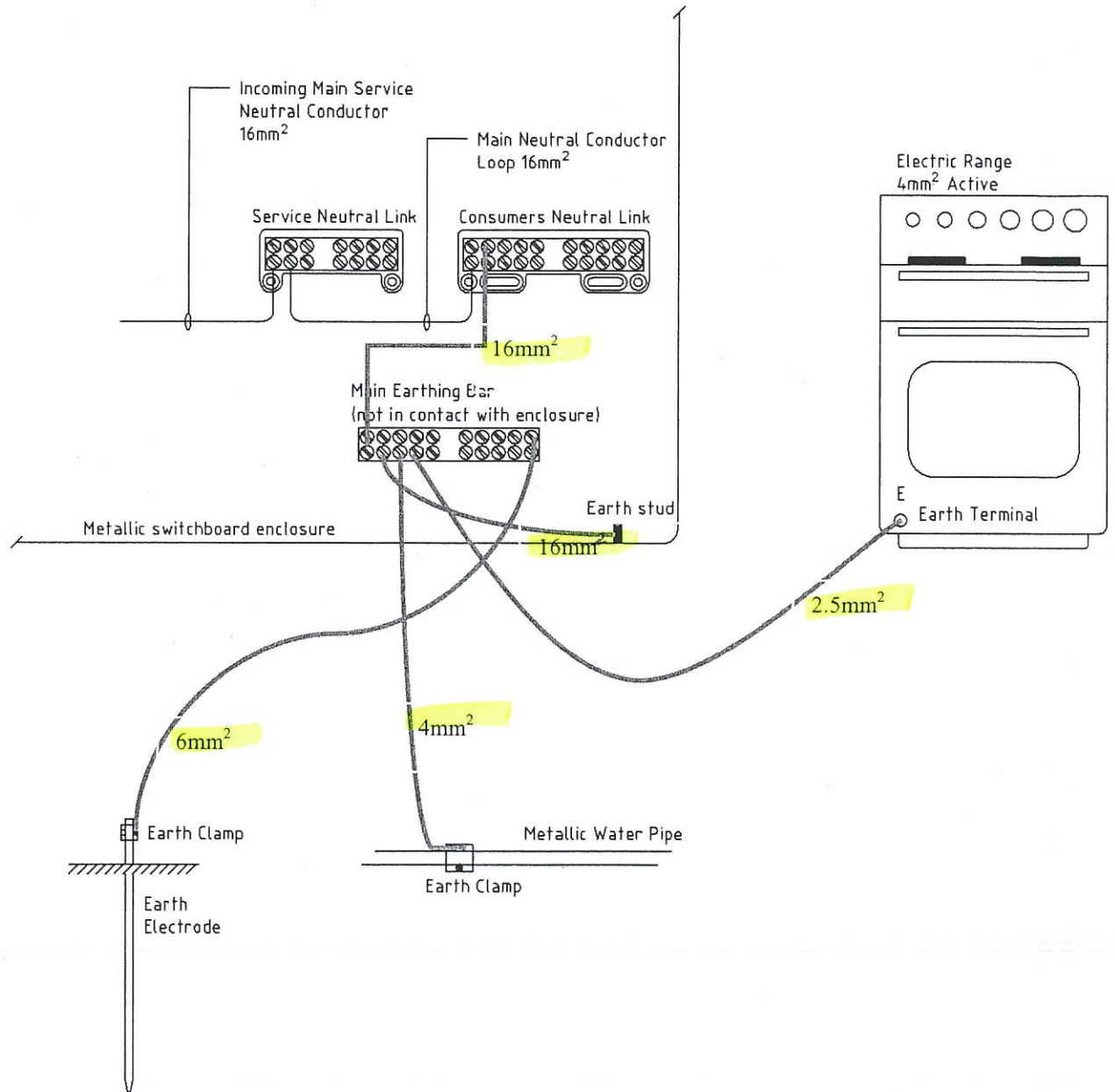
The unprotected consumer mains entering the main switchboard consist of 16mm² active and neutral conductors. The consumer mains are single insulated within the metallic enclosure.

On the following diagram, neatly draw in all necessary earthing and equipotential bonding conductors required to complete an M.E.N system of earthing.

The incoming water service is electrically continuous between the building interior and the ground.

Based on the given information, determine the minimum size of all earthing conductors, which is to be shown alongside each conductor (active and neutral conductors need not be shown).

SECTION D – (Cont'd)



(Note to marker- Subtract 1 mark for each incorrect connection or cable size).

SECTION D – (Cont'd)

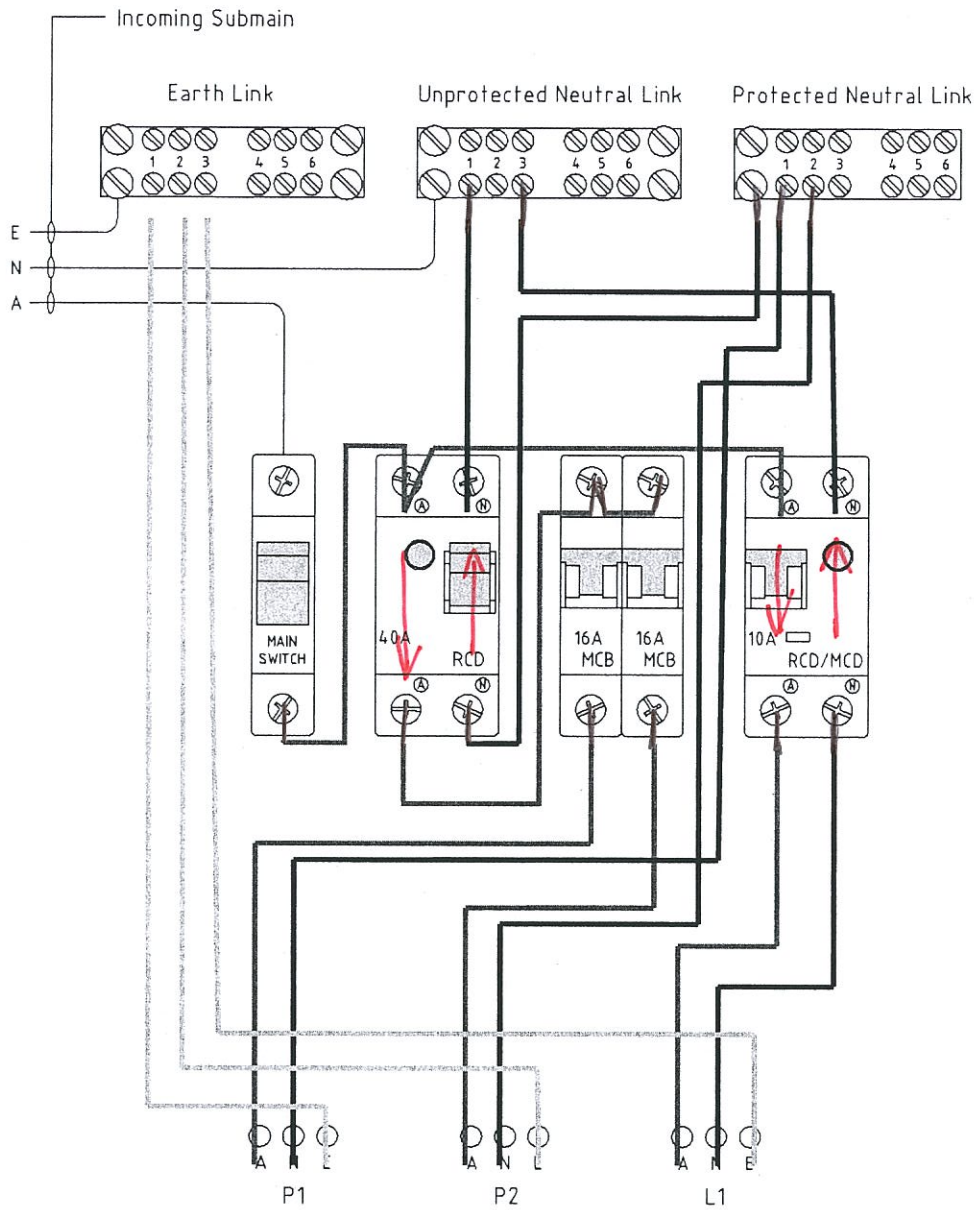
QUESTION 4. (5 Marks)

The following diagram represents selected items contained within a domestic electrical distribution board.

Neatly draw in all **active**, **neutral** and **earth** conductors necessary for the safe and proper operation of the circuits.

Power circuits P1 and P2 will be individually protected by their own 16A MCB. Both circuits (P1 & P2) will also have additional protection by a common 40A 2 pole RCD.

Lighting circuit L1 is to be protected by a 10A combination RCD/MCB.



(Note to marker- Subtract 1 mark for each incorrect connection).

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ANSWER SHEET – Section A (Multi-choice Questions)

Module - 6077AC

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Instructions:

- Enter your name and college on this sheet.
- Place an X in box of your choice. If you make a mistake- circle your answer (X) and choose again.
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2 answers

Question	a	b	c	d
1			X	
2				X
3			X	X
4	X			
5			X	
6		X		
7			X	X
8			X	
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Reference AS/NZS 3000
 2.4.4.1 NSWS&IR
 1.4.65 AS/NZS 3000
 1.4.75 AS/NZS 3000
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 5.4.6.3 AS/NZS 3000
 Table 3.6 AS/NZS 3000
 Table 3.8 AS/NZS 3000
 4.12.5.1 AS/NZS 3000
 5.3.3.2(a) AS/NZS 3000
 8.3.6.1 AS/NZS 3000
 500V + 20% - 10%

Total Marks Section A: /20

Note: The symbols used on this sheet follow AS1046 pt 1. There are alternate recognised symbols in use. The list does not contain every equation used in the course. Transposition of equations will be necessary to solve problems

$Q = It$	$v = \frac{s}{t}$	$a = \frac{\Delta v}{t}$
$F = ma$	$W = Fs$	$W = mgh$
$W = Pt$	$\eta\% = \frac{\text{output}}{\text{input}} \times \frac{100}{1}$	$I = \frac{V}{R}$
$P = VI$	$P = I^2 R$	$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$
$R_2 = \frac{R_1 A_1 l_2}{A_2 l_1}$	$R_h = R_c(1 + \alpha \Delta t)$	$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$
$R_T = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$	$V_T = V_1 + V_2 + V_3$	$\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$
$I_T = I_1 + I_2 + I_3$	$V_2 = V_T \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$	$I_2 = I_T \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$
$R_x = \frac{R_A R}{R_B}$	$C = \frac{Q}{V}$	$\tau = RC$
$\frac{1}{C_T} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$	$C_T = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$	$C = \frac{A \epsilon_o \epsilon_r}{d}$
$F_m = IN$	$H = \frac{F_m}{l}$	$B = \frac{\Phi}{A}$
$\Phi = \frac{F_m}{S}$	$S = \frac{l}{\mu_o \mu_r A}$	$V = N \frac{\Delta \Phi}{\Delta t}$
$e = Blv$	$L = \frac{\mu_o \mu_r AN^2}{l}$	$L = N \frac{\Delta \Phi}{\Delta I}$
$V = L \frac{\Delta I}{\Delta t}$	$\tau = \frac{L}{R}$	$F = Bil$
$T = Fr$	$E_g = \frac{\Phi Z n P}{60 a}$	$P = \frac{2 \pi n T}{60}$
$t = \frac{1}{f}$	$f = \frac{np}{120}$	$V = 0.707 V_{\max}$
$I = 0.707 I_{\max}$	$V_{\text{ave}} = 0.637 V_{\max}$	$I_{\text{ave}} = 0.637 I_{\max}$
$v = V_{\max} \sin \phi$	$i = I_{\max} \sin \phi$	$I = \frac{V}{Z}$
$Z = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$	$X_L = 2\pi f L$	$X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi f C}$
$\cos \phi = \frac{P}{S}$	$\cos \phi = \frac{R}{Z}$	$S = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$
$S = VI$	$P = VI \cos \phi$	$Q = VI \sin \phi$

$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

$$V_L = \sqrt{3}V_P$$

$$I_L = \sqrt{3}I_P$$

$$S = \sqrt{3}V_L I_L$$

$$P = \sqrt{3}V_L I_L \cos \phi$$

$$Q = \sqrt{3}V_L I_L \sin \phi$$

$$\tan \phi = \sqrt{3} \left(\frac{W_2 - W_1}{W_2 + W_1} \right)$$

$$Q = mC\Delta t$$

$$V' = 4.44\Phi fN$$

$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$$

$$N_{syn} = \frac{120f}{p}$$

$$s\% = \frac{(n_{syn} - n)}{n_{syn}} \times \frac{100}{1}$$

$$f_r = \frac{s\% \times f}{100}$$

$$V_{reg} \% = \frac{(V_{NL} - V_{FL})}{V_{FL}} \times \frac{100}{1}$$

$$V_{reg} \% = \frac{(V_{NL} - V_{FL})}{V_{NL}} \times \frac{100}{1}$$

$$T = \frac{\Phi ZIP}{2\pi a}$$

$$I_{ST} = \frac{1}{3} \times I_{DOL}$$

$$T_{ST} = \frac{1}{3} \times T_{DOL}$$

$$I_{ST} = \frac{V_{ST}}{V} \times I_{DOL}$$

$$T_{ST} = \left(\frac{V_{ST}}{V} \right)^2 \times T_{DOL}$$

$$I_{motor\ st} = \frac{\%TAP}{100} \times I_{DOL}$$

$$I_{line\ st} = \left(\frac{\%TAP}{100} \right)^2 \times I_{DOL}$$

$$E = \frac{\Phi_v}{A}$$

$$E = \frac{I}{d^2}$$

$$\eta_v = \frac{\Phi_v}{P}$$

$$V_L = 0.45V_{ac}$$

$$V_L = 0.9V_{ac}$$

$$V_L = 1.17V_{phase}$$

$$V_L = 1.35V_{line}$$

$$PRV = \sqrt{2}V_{ac}$$

$$PRV = 2\sqrt{2}V_{ac}$$

$$PRV = 2.45V_{ac}$$

$$V_{ripple} = \sqrt{2}V_{ac}$$

$$V_{ripple} = 0.707V_{phase}$$

$$V_{ripple} = 0.1895V_{line}$$