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**B.TECH**  
**PCEI4302**

**5<sup>th</sup> Semester Regular / Back Examination 2015-16**  
**INSTRUMENTATION DEVICES AND SYSTEMS – I**

**BRANCH(S): AEIE,EIE,IEE**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max marks: 70**

**Q.CODE: T372**

**Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.**  
**The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.**

Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)

- a) Define gauge factor of a strain gauge.
- b) Write the Laplace transform of unit step and sine wave functions.
- c) What is the importance of standards in calibration?
- d) On which principle a thermocouple works? Why cold junction compensation is necessary?
- e) How elasticity is used for pressure measurement in a bourden tube?
- f) Illustrate laminar flow and turbulent flow using suitable diagram.
- g) Write down the values of an instrumentation amplifier parameters.
- h) What is CMRR? Draw the equivalent circuit for an open loop amplifier.
- i) Differentiate between an operational amplifier and an instrumentation amplifier?
- j) Why bridge circuits are used in signal processing?

Q2 a) Differentiate between RTD and thermistors. What do you understand by PTC and NTC of the above? (5)

- b) The resistance  $R(\theta)$  of a thermistor at temperature  $\theta$  K is given by  $R(\theta) = \alpha \exp(\beta/\theta)$ . Given that the resistance at the ice point ( $\theta = 273$  K) is  $10\text{K}\Omega$  and the resistance at the steam point is  $1.0\text{K}\Omega$ , find the resistance at  $40^\circ\text{C}$ . ( $\beta=2946$  K and  $\alpha=1.86 \times 10^{-4}\text{K}\Omega$ ) (5)

- Q3 a) Draw the block diagram of a measurement system and explain different blocks. (5)
- b) Derive the expression for gauge factor of a strain gauge. (5)
- Q4 a) Describe the various measurements that can be done using capacitive sensing element. (5)
- b) A variable dielectric capacitive displacement sensor consists of two square metal plates, sides 10cm, separated by a gap of 2 mm. A sheet of dielectric material 2 mm thick and the same area as the plates can be slid between them to match the displacement. Calculate the capacitance of the sensor for a displacement of 2.0 and 5.0 cm. Dielectric constants of air and dielectric material are 1 and 4 respectively. (5)
- Q5 a) Starting with Thevenin voltage  $E_{Th}$  derive the relationship among the resistances in a balanced Wheatstone bridge. Draw the circuit. (5)
- b) Draw the operational amplifier circuits of inverting amplifier, non-inverting amplifier, differential amplifier and voltage follower. Write down the expression for  $V_{out}$  with respect to  $V_{in}$  for each. (5)
- Q6 a) Describe the working of a turbine flow meter using a suitable diagram. (5)
- b) List the general characteristics that should be borne in mind for selecting the most suitable differential pressure flow meters for a given application? (5)
- Q7 a) With the help of a suitable diagram explain the working of a Doppler shift flow meter. (5)
- b) How can you measure the velocity at a point in a fluid? Use suitable illustrations and expressions. (5)
- Q8 Write short notes on any two. (5 x 2)
- a) Errors in measurement system
- b) LVDT sensors
- c) Phase sensitive demodulators
- d) Electromagnetic flow meter