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B. Tech  
PECH 5304

**Fifth Semester Examination – 2013**

**PROCESS INSTRUMENTATION**

**BRANCH : BIOTECH**

**QUESTION CODE : C-417**

**Full Marks – 70**

**Time : 3 Hours**

*Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any **five** from the rest.*

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

1. Answer the following questions : 2×10
- State the differences between “accuracy” and “precision”.
  - What is calibration of an instrument ?
  - Is it possible to read the liquid levels in a tank from the ground level if the tank is kept above or below the ground level in a float type level indicator ? State the reason.
  - Mention five types of inferential type of flow measurement systems.
  - What are the advantages and disadvantages of a “rotameter” ? List five points for each of them.
  - In MKS system how much is an atmospheric pressure ? If the gauge pressure of a reactor is  $10 \text{ kg/cm}^2$ , how much is the absolute pressure ?
  - Indicate various types of errors in a “manometer”.
  - What is a strain gauge ? How does the resistance change in it ?
  - Mention the melting point of ice and boiling point of water at a pressure of 760 mm of mercury in Centigrade and Fahrenheit scales. If the temperature of an oven is  $240^\circ\text{C}$ , calculate the temperature in  $^\circ\text{F}$ .
  - Differentiate between absorption spectroscopy and emission spectroscopy.

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2. (a) Define “repeatability”, “sensitivity”, “resolution” and “backlash” in an instrumentation system. 4
- (b) Draw the block diagram showing the functional elements of an instrumentation system and explain different functional elements. 6
3. (a) Enumerate the advantages and disadvantages of a radiation level detector. 4
- (b) Describe with neat sketch a capacitance level indicator and explain its working. 6
4. (a) What is a mass flow meter ? 2
- (b) What are the different considerations of choosing a flow meter ? 2
- (c) Describe, using a diagram, the working of a rotameter. 6
5. (a) How would you calibrate low pressure gauges ? 2
- (b) What is a pressure switch ? 2
- (c) Describe the basic principle and working of a strain gauge. 6
6. (a) Explain the working of a bimetallic strip. 4
- (b) State the differences between resistance thermometer and thermistor. 3
- (c) Why do you use compensating leads in a thermocouple ? 3
7. (a) What are the different sources of error in a radiation pyrometer ? 3
- (b) Which type of radiation is used in a radiation level detector ? 2
- (c) Explain a method of measurement of vacuum. 5
8. Write short notes on any **two** : 5×2
  - (a) Manometers
  - (b) Optical pyrometers
  - (c) Mass spectroscopy.

