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B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2012.

Seventh Semester

Mechanical Engineering

ME 2401/ME 71/ME 1402 – MECHATRONICS

(Common to Production Engineering)

(Regulation 2008)

(Common to PTME 2401 – Mechatronics for B.E.(Part-Time) Fifth Semester  
Mechanical Engineering – Regulation 2009)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

1. Give an example for a transducer and state its transduction principle.
2. State the advantage of capacitive type proximity sensor.
3. Name the control components in a hydraulic actuation system.
4. What is a servo motor?
5. Define fluid inertance.
6. What are the features of an operational amplifier?
7. What is a PLC?
8. What is an 'internal relay' in a PLC?
9. List the drawbacks of traditional design approach.
10. What is the role of opto-isolator in robot control?

PART B — (5 × 16 = 80 marks)

11. (a) (i) List and define the dynamic characteristics of sensors.  
(ii) With an example explain the various functional units of a measurement system. (8+8)

Or

- (b) Suggest a sensor whose output is an electrical signal for the following and explain them in detail (8+8)
- (i) Vacuum pressure measurement in the range of  $10^{-2}$  to  $10^{-6}$  torr  
(ii) Velocity of hot gas in a conduit.
12. (a) (i) Using a simple circuit explain the basic components required for a hydraulic actuation system.  
(ii) List the types of bearings and brief about each. (8+8)

Or

- (b) With the help of proper control circuits explain the speed control of AC and DC motors. (16)
13. (a) Explain the model building using the basic building blocks for a  
(i) Automobile suspension system  
(ii) Electrical motor. (8+8)

Or

- (b) Discuss in detail about PI and PD mode electronic controllers. (8+8)
14. (a) Explain the configuration of a PLC. List the considerations in selecting a PLC. (12+4)

Or

- (b) Using simple programs explain the data handling operations in a PLC. (16)

15. (a) Explain the various stages in mechatronics design approach and state how it differs from the traditional approach. (16)

Or

- (b) Detail about the various functional components in a Wireless surveillance balloon system. (16)
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