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CS/B. Tech (CT)/SEM-7/CHE (CT) -701/2011-12

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INSTRUMENTATION AND PROCESS CONTROL

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

GROUP – A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following : $10 \times 1 = 10$

i) Bourdon gauge is a

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| a) strain gauge | b) screw gauge |
| c) level gauge | d) pressure gauge. |

ii) Typical input to a thermocouple is

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| a) voltage | b) current |
| c) temperature | d) pressure. |

iii) Ramp input is expressed as

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| a) $x = x_0$ |
| b) $x = xt$ |
| c) $x = x_s \sin wt$ |
| d) none of these. |



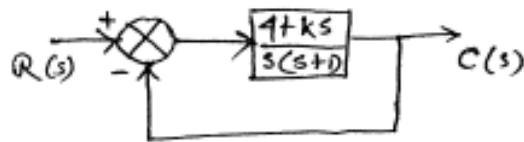
iv) Which of the following is a flow meter ?

- a) LVDT
- b) Pyrometer
- c) Rota-meter
- d) Potentiometer.

v) A transducer is

- a) signal processing unit
- b) sensor unit
- c) display unit
- d) amplification unit.

vi) The system shown in the figure is critically damped for



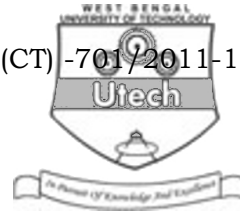
- a) $k = 0$
- b) $k = -1$
- c) $k = 3$.

vii) Improvement in accuracy in a PID controller is the effect of its

- a) P mode
- b) I mode
- c) D mode.

viii) A system will be stable if

- a) $GM = 0.5$ & $PM = 30^\circ$
- b) $GM = 5$ & $PM = -30^\circ$
- c) $GM = \infty$ & $PM = 30^\circ$



- ix) $\frac{1+s}{1+2s}$ is the transfer function of a
- phase-lag system
 - phase lead system
 - none of these.
- x) Transfer function of a system depends on
- input
 - frequency
 - both frequency & input.

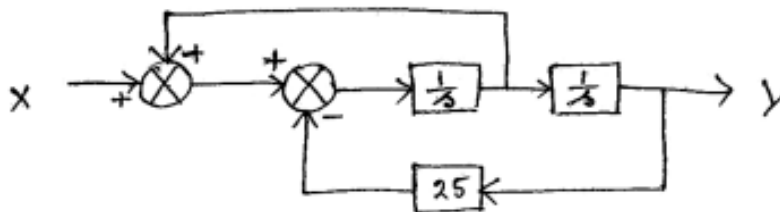
GROUP – B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Write short notes on any *three* of the following.

$3 \times 5 = 15$

2. Derive the transfer function y/x for the control system shown in figure below.



3. Determine the condition for stability for a negative feedback system with forward path gain

$$G(s) = \frac{k}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)} \text{ and}$$

feedback path gain

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$



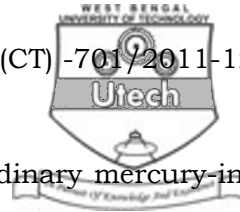
4. a) Define closed loop and open loop systems with an example for each.
- b) What are the differences between the two ? 3 + 2
5. a) Why a Linear Variable Differential Transformer (LVDT) is used ?
- b) Briefly describe its working principle. 1 + 4
6. a) How is a thermistor prepared ?
- b) What is its general range of measurement ?
- c) Why is the sensitivity of a thermistor low ? 3 + 1 + 1

GROUP – C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. 3 × 15 = 45

7. a) How can you measure vacuum with the help of a McLeod gauge ? Describe with a neat sketch.
- b) How can ultrasonic method be used for liquid level measurement ? 8 + 7
8. a) How does an electromagnetic flow-meter operate ?
- b) Describe the operating principle of a venturimeter. Compare its disadvantage/advantage with that of orificemeter. 6 + (6 + 3)



9. a) Derive the transfer function of an ordinary mercury-in-glass thermometer.
- b) A thermometer having first-order dynamics with a time constant of 10 sec is allowed to come to equilibrium in the room air at 75°F . Then it is placed in the 400°F oil bath for a length of time less than 1 sec, and quickly removed from the bath and re-exposed to the 75°F ambient conditions. It may be estimated that the heat transfer coefficient to the thermometer in air is one-fifth of that in the oil bath. If 10 sec after the thermometer is removed from the bath it reads 98°F , estimate the length of time that the thermometer was in the bath.

7 + 8

10. a) A mixing process is described as follows :
- a stream with solute concentration C_i (lb/volm) is fed to a perfectly stirred tank at a constant flow rate of q (volm/min). The perfectly mixed product is withdrawn

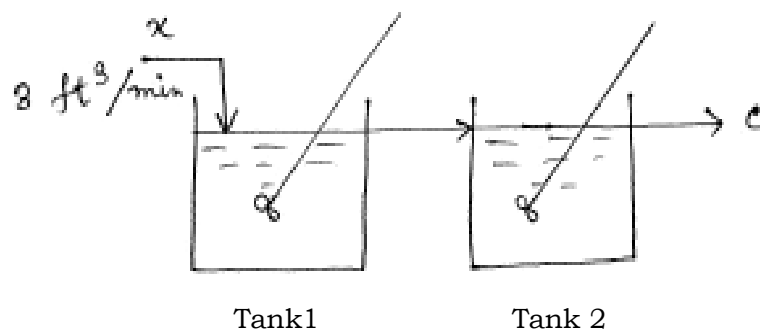


from the tank at the same flow rate of q (volm/min) at the same concentration as the material in the tank, C_o .

The total volume of solution in the tank is constant at V .

If C_i is increased suddenly from 0 to 2 lb/gal, at time $t = 0$, find the trace of the tank concentration versus time.

- b) In the two-tank mixing process shown in the following figure, x varies from 0 lb salt/ft³ to 1 lb salt/ft³ according to a step function. At what time does the salt concentration in tank 2 reach 0.6 lb salt/ft³ ? The hold-up volume of each tank is 6 ft³.





11. a) Derive the transfer function of two non-interactive first order liquid level systems connected in series.
- b) The liquid-level process shown in the figure below is operating at steady state when the following disturbance occurs : at time $t = 0$, 1 ft^3 water is added suddenly (unit impulse) to the tank; at $t = 1 \text{ min}$, 2 ft^3 of water is added suddenly to the tank. Sketch the response of the level in the tank versus time and determine the level at $t = 0.5 \text{ min}$, 1 min and 1.5 min .

