

2011

PROCESS CONTROL ENGINEERING

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 any *ten* of the following :

$10 \times 1 = 10$

- i) The function of reset action in a process controller is to
 - a) reduce rise time
 - b) reduce steady state error
 - c) reduce oscillation in the response
 - d) increase overall gain.
- ii) The basic limitation of *P* action controller only is
 - a) Very slow error correction
 - b) High overshoot
 - c) Non-zero offset
 - d) Instability of process.

- iii) For 100% error to the proportional controller, its o/p is 50%. The PB is
- a) 200% b) 100%
- c) 50% d) 150%.
- iv) C-C controller tuning technique is used for
- a) Open loop system b) Closed loop system
- c) Both of these d) None of these.
- v) If K_p and T_d denote the proportional gain and the derivative time constant respectively of a PD controller then the rate time τ_d is denoted by
- a) K_p/T_d b) T_d/K_p
- c) $K_p T_d$ d) $1/K_p T$.
- vi) The type of isolator generally used in I/O module of PLC is
- a) electrical b) electronics
- c) magnetic d) optical.
- vii) The proportional sensitivity is maximum in
- a) P controller b) I controller
- c) PD controller d) PID controller.
- viii) PLC supports
- a) C programming b) Java programming
- c) Ladder programming d) VB programming.

2. What is reset action ? Prove that $P.B = 100/K_c$, where symbols have their usual meaning. 1 + 4
3. Explain the ON-OFF controller characteristics without differential gap and with differential gap. Write their advantage and disadvantage. 3 + 2
4. What is pneumatic controller ? Describe with proper diagram the function of pneumatic relay in a pneumatic controller. 1 + 4
5. What do you mean by "Process Reaction Curve" ? How is it obtained for a particular process ? How the time constant of a first order process can be determined from the process reaction curve ? 1 + 1 + 3
6. What is gateway connectivity in DCS ? Describe the generic gateway in DCS. 1 + 4

GROUP – C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 15 = 45$

7. What is process resistance and process capacitance ? Discuss pneumatic P-I and P-D controller with a schematic diagram. Explain an electronic PD controller and derive its control equation from its circuit diagram. $2 + 8 + 5$
8. What do you mean by tuning of controller ? What are the basic criteria of tuning of controller ? Explain the open loop tuning technique of Cohen-Coon. What are the basic criteria of Ziegler-Nichols tuning method ? What is $1/4$ decay ratio ? $2 + 3 + 5 + 2 + 3$
9. What is PLC ? What are the advantages of PLC control system ? What are different data files available in PLC ? What is the function of I/O module in a PLC ? Describe the basic functional blocks of a PLC with suitable diagram. $2 + 3 + 2 + 3 + 5$
10. What is the necessity of control valve sizing ? What are the factors that should be known for selecting a valve ? A control valve regulates the liquid flow of a tank. The water level is controlled in the tank at a 50 feet by regulating the outflow. The measured inflow varies from 0 to 140 gallons per minute. Calculate C_v for the valve. What is valve cavitation ? What are the conditions to avoid cavitation ? $2 + 3 + 5 + 2 + 3$
11. Write short notes on any *three* of the following : 3×5
- a) Pneumatic actuator.
 - b) DDC.
 - c) PID controller.
 - d) DCS.
 - e) Boiler drum level control.
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