## **Assignment two**

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## For the sensors in the table please answer he following questions

- 1-Type of the output signal Analogue or digital
- 2- Type of the signal voltage, current, position etc.
- 3-How it works for example gives output voltage proportional to speed
- 4-State if the sensor is active or passive and why

| Name of Sensor   | Analogue/Digital | Output Signal                      | Passive/Active  | How its woks   |
|------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1-Thermocouple   | Analogue         | Voltage                            | Passive (sensors, they don't require an external power source to operate).  | Work based on the Seebeck effect that generates a voltage in response to temperature differences between its two junctions.  |
| 2-Potentiometer  | Analogue         | Voltage or<br>Resistance<br>change | Passive (depending on whether they are used to sense a position) Active (actively provide a feedback signal to a control system) and don't require an external power source | Positioning of a slider varies the resistance in a potentiometer.  |
| 3-Encoder        | Digital          | Digital Pulses                     | Active (They may require an external power source for their operation, especially in the case of optical encoders with light sources).                                      | They are commonly used for measuring position or speed, and it converts angular motion or position of a shaft into an analog or digital code to identify position or motion. |
| 4-Tachogenerator | Analogue         | Voltage                            | Passive (They don't require an external power source for their basic function of generating a voltage signal in response to shaft rotation).                                | It generates a voltage proportional to the speed of rotation.  |

| 5-Pressure sensor  | Pressure sensors   | Voltage or      | Active (Some pressure           | It produces a voltage or current  |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                    | can have both      | Current.        | sensors require an external     | output proportional to the        |
|                    | analog and digital |                 | power source for signal         | applied pressure, and the         |
|                    | output.            |                 | conditioning and                | working principle depends on      |
|                    |                    |                 | amplification).                 | the type of pressure sensor.      |
|                    |                    |                 | Passive (Others, like simple    | Common types include              |
|                    |                    |                 | resistive or capacitive         | piezoelectric, capacitive,        |
|                    |                    |                 | pressure sensors, may be        | resistive, and optical pressure   |
|                    |                    |                 | considered passive as they      | sensors.                          |
|                    |                    |                 | directly respond to the         |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | applied pressure without        |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | needing an external power       |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | source.)                        |                                   |
| 6-Proximity sensor | Digital            | Digital signals | Active (Many proximity          | it detects infrared radiation     |
|                    |                    | (binary output  | sensors they require an         | and produces a signal based on    |
|                    |                    | signal)         | external power source to        | the intensity or presence of      |
|                    |                    |                 | generate the sensing field or   | infrared light and the working    |
|                    |                    |                 | signal).                        | principle of proximity sensors    |
|                    |                    |                 | Passive (Some photoelectric     | depends on the type. Common       |
|                    |                    |                 | sensors, for example, can be    | types include inductive,          |
|                    |                    |                 | considered passive as they      | capacitive, ultrasonic, infrared, |
|                    |                    |                 | rely on external light sources, | and photoelectric sensors.        |
|                    |                    |                 | and their basic detection       |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | function does not require       |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | additional power).              |                                   |
| 7-Infra red        | Analog (IR         | Analog IR       | Active: IR sensors that emit    | IR sensors work by detecting      |
|                    | sensors provide a  | sensors may     | their own infrared radiation    | infrared radiation emitted or     |
|                    | continuous range   | output a        | (e.g., infrared LEDs) and       | reflected by objects. Different   |
|                    | of output values)  | voltage signal. | measure the reflection or       | types of IR sensors include:      |
|                    | Digital (IR        | Digital IR      | absorption are considered       | Thermopile Sensors, Infrared      |
|                    | sensors provide    | sensors         | active.                         | Photodiodes or                    |
|                    | discrete output    | typically       | Passive: IR sensors that        | Phototransistors, and Infrared    |
|                    | states (e.g.,      | provide a       | detect existing infrared        | Reflective Sensors.               |
|                    | on/off)).          | binary output   | radiation without emitting      |                                   |
|                    |                    | signal.         | their own (e.g., thermopile     |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | sensors) are considered         |                                   |
|                    |                    |                 | passive.                        |                                   |