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Subject: Instrumentation

Answers are required to give answers in their own words as far as practicable.
ie figure in the margin indicates full marks.
Attempt all the questions

- 1 a) What are the basic blocks of generalized instrumentation system? Draw the various blocks and explain their function. 8
- b) Temperature was measured in a room, and the values obtained were 28.2, 16.5, 32.1, 29.7, 27.1, 19.0, 22.0, and 10.0 °C. Assuming that the random errors are present. Calculate 7
- a) Arithmetic mean
 b) Standard Deviation
 c) Probable error of reading
- 2 a) Explain Kelvin's bridge with its necessary diagram. 7
- b) Explain the construction and working of an Induction type Energy meter with necessary Diagram. 8
- 3 a) A meter having full scale deflection current of 2mA and internal resistance of 100 ohm is to be converted to 500V voltmeter. Calculate the required series resistance for the range extension of voltmeter. 7
- b) Briefly explain about the digital data acquisition system with block diagram. 8
- 4 a) Explain the basic characteristics of operational amplifier. Explain the working principle of instrumentation amplifier 8
 b) List out the various types of ADC. Briefly explain the working principle of Delta-Sigma ADC 7
- 5 a) What is wave analyzer? Explain frequency selective wave analyzer in detail. 8
 b) Why we need spectrum analyzer? Draw the block diagram of spectrum analyzer and explain each block. 7
- 6 a) Explain about Digital Storage Oscilloscope with necessary Diagram. 8
 b) Design an instrumentation system to measure the temperature of hot water inside the tank using RTD with digital read out. 7
7. Write Short notes on (Any Two) 2*5
- a) Nixie Tube
 b) Low Capacitive probes
 c) PMMC

Q no. 1 (a)

General block diagram and components of an instrumentation system are shown below

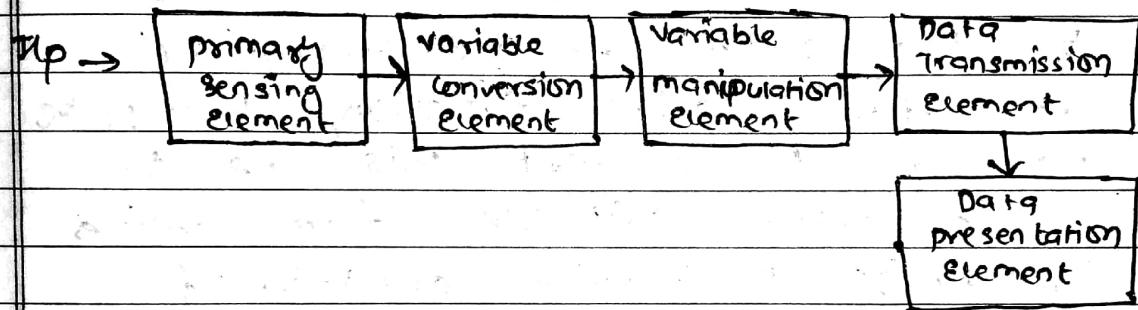
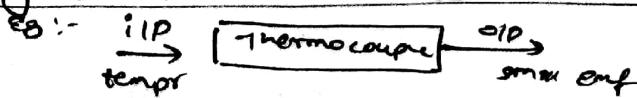


Fig :- functional component of an instrumentation system.

(a) primary sensing element :-

The first contact of the measurement is occurred in this section of the block diagram. The primary sensing unit has the signal sensors or the transducers. These transducers helps to convert the variable being measured to the suitable form of energy and the rest of measurement system capable to give a value to the input variable.



1) variable conversion element :-

The o/p of primary sensing element may be electrical signal of any form. It may be a voltage, current, a frequency or some other electrical parameter sometimes this o/p is not suited to the system. for the instrument to perform desire function it may be necessary to convert this o/p to some other suitable form while preserving information content. of original signal.

2) Data transmission element :-

The elements of an instrumentation system are actually physically separated. It becomes necessary to transmit data from one unit to another. The element that performs this function is called a data transmission element. Data transmission is done either through wire line or wireless transmission media.

3) Data presentation element :-

The information about the quantity under measurement has to be conveyed to the personnel handling the instrument or the system for monitoring, control or analysis purpose. The information conveyed must be in the form of display unit.

The function of element is to manipulate the signal presented to it preserving the original nature of signal. manipulation here means only a change in numerical value of signal. Signal amplification and attenuation task is performed in the variable manipulation element.

Q no. 1 (b)

The data are

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= 28.2 & d_1 &= m_1 - \bar{x} = 5.125 & d_1^2 &= 26.265625 \\
 m_2 &= 26.5 & d_2 &= -6.575 & d_2^2 &= 43.290625 \\
 m_3 &= 32.1 & d_3 &= 9.025 & d_3^2 &= 81.450625 \\
 m_4 &= 29.7 & d_4 &= 6.625 & d_4^2 &= 43.890625 \\
 m_5 &= 27.1 & d_5 &= 4.025 & d_5^2 &= 16.200625 \\
 m_6 &= 29.0 & d_6 &= -4.075 & d_6^2 &= 16.605625 \\
 m_7 &= 26.0 & d_7 &= -1.075 & d_7^2 &= 1.155625 \\
 m_8 &= 10.0 & d_8 &= -13.075 & d_8^2 &= 170.955625
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum d_i^2 = 400.155625$$

(a) Arithmetic mean (\bar{x}) = $\frac{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_8}{8}$

$$= \frac{184.6}{8}$$

$$= 23.075$$

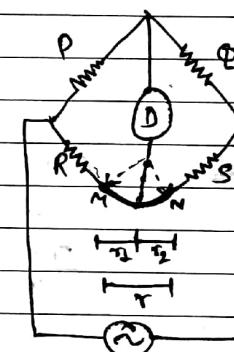
(b) S.D (S) = $\sqrt{\frac{d_1^2 + d_2^2 + \dots + d_8^2}{n-1}}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{400.155625}{7}} = 7.560759835$$

(c) probable error :- 0.6745σ
 $= 0.6745 \times 7.560$
 $= 5.0997$

Q no. 2 (a)

Kelvin bridge :- wheatstone bridge can be used for measuring few ohms to several kilo-ohms, but errors in result is measured in low resistance. This is bcz of wheatstone bridge is modified if kelvin's bridge is obtained.



Kelvin bridge is a modification of wheatstone bridge & can also be used to measure value of resistance below ($\sim 1\Omega$).

We know;

$$\frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{P}{Q} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

From Bridge Balanced condition,

$$Z_1 Z_4 = Z_2 Z_3$$

$$P(S+r_2) = Q(R+r_1)$$

$$P(S+r_2) = (R+r_1) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

We know;

$$\frac{r_1}{r_1 + r_2} = \frac{P}{P+Q} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1 + r_2} = \frac{Q}{P+Q} \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

also,

$$r_1 + r_2 = r$$

now (ii) & (iv) becoming

$$\frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{P}{Q}, \quad \text{if} \quad \frac{r_2}{r} = \frac{Q}{P+Q}$$

$$r = \left(\frac{P}{P+Q} \right)^{\gamma} \quad \& \quad r_2 = \left(\frac{Q}{P+Q} \right)^{\gamma}$$

now (i) becoming

$$\frac{P}{Q} \left(s + \left(\frac{Q}{P+Q} \right)^{\gamma} \right) = \left(R + \left(\frac{P}{P+Q} \right)^{\gamma} \right)$$

$$\frac{Ps + Q^{\gamma} r P}{Q(P+Q)^{\gamma}} = R + \frac{Pr}{P+Q}$$

$$R = \frac{Ps}{Q}$$

$$\therefore RQ = Ps$$

Ques. 2 (a)

Induction Type energy meter :-

→ Energy meters are integrating instruments, used to measure quantity of electric energy supplied to a circuit in given time. These are also known as kilowatt meter.

There are several types of energy-meter among those, the induction type meter are most common form of a.c. Energy meters. It is used in domestic and industrial application.

single phase induction Type Energy meter

→ The construction and working principle of operation principle of single phase Energy meter is

construction:-

The construction of energy meter consists of mainly four parts.

- (i) Driving system
- (ii) moving system
- (iii) Braking system
- (iv) Registering System.

(i) Driving system :-

The driving system of meter consists of two electromagnets. The core of these electromagnets are made of silicon-steel laminations. There are two coils wounded on the electromagnet.

(ii) moving system :-

moving system consists of an aluminium disk mounted on a light alloy shaft. The disc is placed between shunt and main magnets. The Φ (flux) produced by shunt magnet is proportional to voltage (V).

(iii) Braking system :-

Braking system is provided by a permanent magnet placed near the edge of aluminium disc.

(iv) Registering system :-

The Registering system keeps records of rotation of disc continuously. It consists of certain kind of gear mechanism. The gear assembly runs the pattern of odometer and numeric display is formulated.

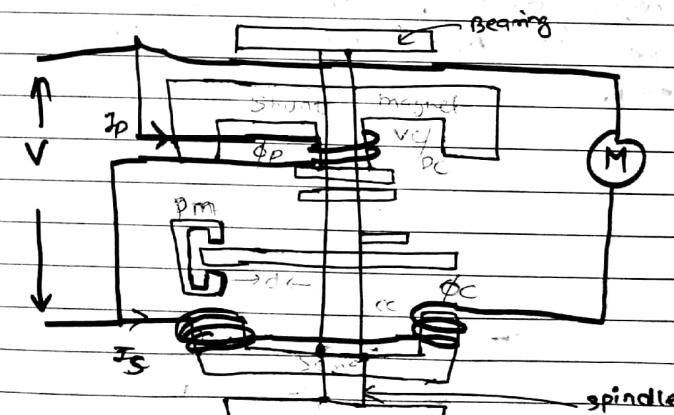


Fig :- 1 ϕ Energy met.

Working :

for operation, the supply voltage is applied across pressure coil which is highly inductive a having large no. of turns. The current produces flux, (Φ_P), n_y , I_p current I_s produces flux (Φ_e)
Since, Φ_C & Φ_P are alternating in nature, the induced emf is generated. The produced emf makes eddy current which flux through coil, due to which torque is produced and disc rotates,

Qno. 3(a)

A meter having full scale deflection current of $2mA$ & internal resistance 100Ω is to be converted to a $500V$ voltmeter. Calculate reqd series resistance for the range extension of voltmeter.

Ans:

$$I_g = 2mA = 2 \times 10^{-3} A$$

$$R_g = 100\Omega$$

$$\therefore V_g = I_g \times R_g = 2 \times 10^{-3} \times 100 \\ = 0.2V$$

$$\frac{V}{V_g} = 1 + \frac{R}{R_g}$$

$$\frac{V}{0.2} = 1 + \frac{R}{100}$$

$$100 \times \left(\frac{500}{0.2} - 1 \right) = R$$

$$100 \times \left(\frac{500}{0.2} - 1 \right) = R$$

$$\therefore R = 249999\Omega$$

$$\approx 250k\Omega$$

Ques 6(b)

Data acquisition system is the system which collects, stores and distributes the information.

Digital data acquisition system!

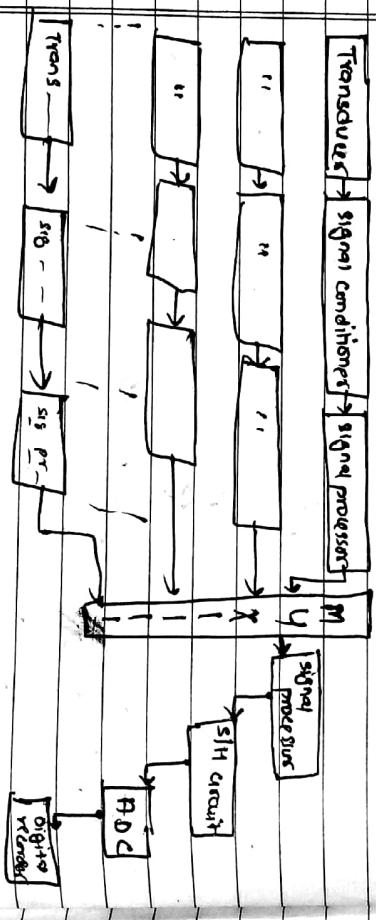


Fig: Block-diagram of multichannel digital DAS.

According to the Block diagram, the transducer converts the physical phenomena to electrical signal. Signal conditioner performs conversion of input signal from transducers to suitable form of signal.

- If the strength of signal is very low, the signal processor processes and amplifies the signal, which helps to drive the circuit easily.
- The signal is then passed to MUX (multiplex).
- A MUX is a device in which multiple input is inputted to which gives single output.
- The output of MUX could be of low strength so a signal processor is used to amplify the respective signal.
- The signal is then passed to SM circuit.
- SM circuit samples and holds the signal.
- The sampled signal is passed to ADC [Analog to Digital converter].
- Then the signal is stored in binary recorder.

Qno. 4(a)

Operational Amplifier is a device made up of three circuits :-

- Differential Amplifier
- Voltage Amplifier
- Push-pull Amplifier.

Used for amplifying AC and DC both signals.

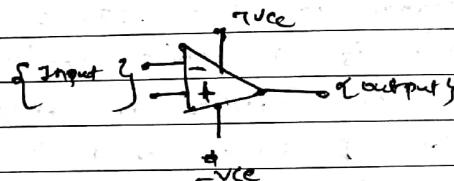


Fig:- op-amp (symbol)

Basic characteristics of operational Amplifiers

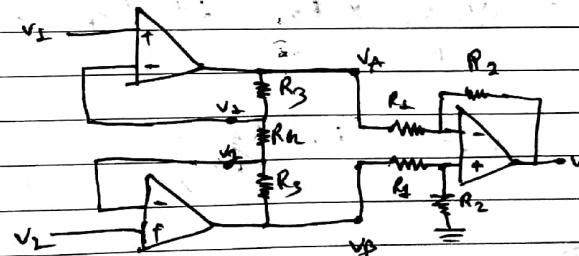
- 1) Infinite Bandwidth so that any frequency signal from 0 to ∞ can be amplified without attenuation.
- 2) Infinite slew rate so that o/p voltage changes occurs simultaneously with i/p voltage change.
- 3) Infinite common mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR) so that o/p common mode noise is zero.
- 4) Infinite input impedance.
- 5) Infinite open loop voltage gain.
- 6) Zero output impedance & (7) zero output resistance.

(Instrumentation Amplifier)

→ Instrumentation Amplifier is a dedicated differential Amplifier with extremely high input impedance.

Instrumentation Amplifier is superior than other because

- ① Selectable gain with high gain accuracy
- ② High CMRR.
- ③ Low drift errors
- ④ Low O/p impedance.



from Differential Amplifier

$$V_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (V_A - V_B) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

since current across R_{in} ;

$$I_{in} = \frac{V_s - V_2}{R_{in}} \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

Since, the Amplifier is ideal so, no current passes through terminals, so

$$I_{in} = \frac{V_A - V_B}{R_{in} + 2R_3}$$

$$\therefore (V_A - V_B) = I_{in} \times (R_{in} + 2R_3) \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

from (12) & (11)

$$(V_A - V_B) = (V_s - V_2) \times R_{in} \left(1 + \frac{2R_3}{R_{in}} \right)$$

$$V_A - V_B = (V_s - V_2) \left(1 + \frac{2R_3}{R_{in}} \right)$$

now (1) becomes

$$V_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (V_A - V_B)$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{R_2}{R_1} \left(1 + \frac{2R_3}{R_{in}} \right) (V_s - V_2)}$$

gain of gain of
2nd 1st
stage stage

$\therefore O/P = \text{total gain} \times \text{input difference}$

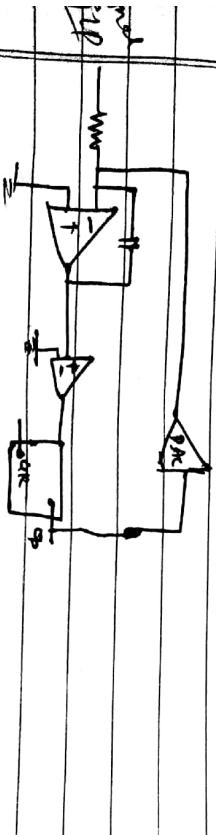
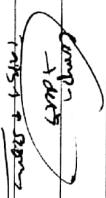
Qno. 4(b)

ADC (Analog to digital converter) are
devices | circuits which converts
analog R/P signal to binary digits
ie Binary equivalent of it.

There are following types of ADC

- (A) Flash type ADC
- (B) Dual slope ADC
- (C) Successive Approximation Type ADC
- (D) Counter Type ADC
- (E) Delta-sigma ADC.

Delta sigma ADC :-



Delta sigma ADC is type of analog to
digital data converter commonly used in applications
where high precision is required,
such as audio processing, instrumentation

& some sensor application

- (F) oversampling
- (G) delta modulation
- (H) digital filtering
- (I) decimation

Ques 5 (G)wave Analyzer :-

The electronic instrument used to Analyze wave is called wave analyzer. It is also ~~is~~ called signal analyzer. It is mainly design to measure the relative amplitude of signal.

frequency selective wave analyzer :-

The wave analyzer used for analyzing the signals of (20Hz to 20kHz) Audible frequency range.

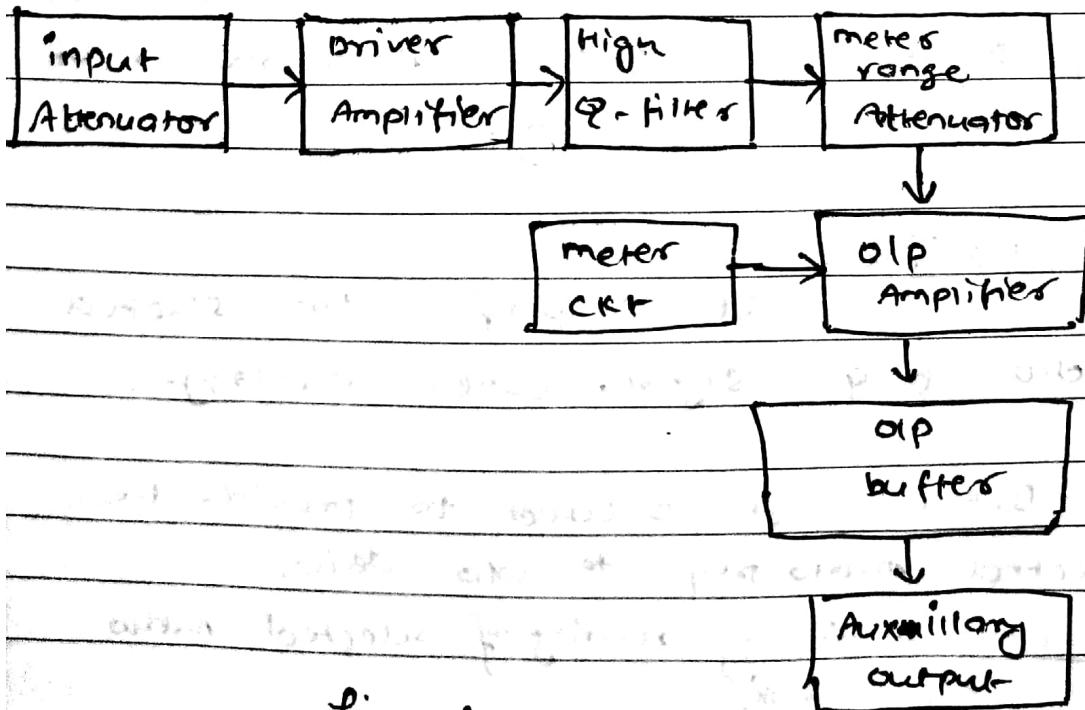


fig:- freq-selective wave Analyzer.

end 5(b)

① Input Attenuator :- The audio frequency signal is to be analyzed in IP Attenuator. If the signal amplitude is too large then it can be attenuated by input attenuator.

② Driver Amplifier :- It amplifies the received signal whenever necessary.

③ High - Q filter :- It is used to select desired frequency and reject unwanted frequency. It consists of two RC section & two filter amplifiers & all these are cascaded with each other.

④ Meter range Attenuator :- It selects audio freq. signal as input of Attenuate where Q.P. whenever necessary.

⑤ Q.P. Amplifiers :- It amplifies the selected audio freq. signal, when necessary.

⑥ Q.P. Buffer :- It is used to provide the selected audio freq. to Q.P. device.

⑦ Meter set :- displays reading of selected audio freq. signal.

Spectrum Analyzer :- The electronic instrument used for analyzing and display waves in frequency domain is called spectrum analyzer.

frequency Analysis :- We need spectrum analyzer.

- nation of frequency . This is used in field lines telecommunication.

Signal Troubleshooting :-

specrum analyzer helps to identify and trouble issue in signals such as interference noise etc. It helps to maintain quality of reliability of communication system.

③ Bandwidth Analyzer :-

They are used to determine the bandwidth of signal accuracy.

(Performance of various circuits)

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- (e) Radio frequency (RF) Analysis:- They help to analyze RF signal, which is crucial for designing & troubleshooting various communication radar & more.

(f) Research & development

- (g) Security & monitoring :- To detect un authorized interfering signal & protect communication network.

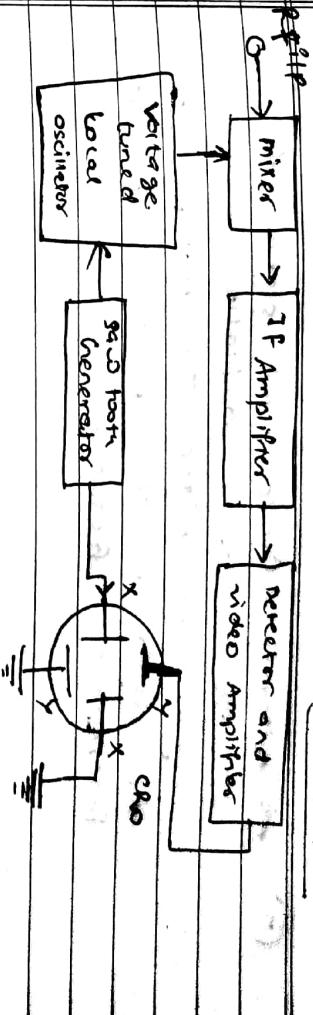


Fig:- Block diagram of Spectrum Analyzer.

- (h) Saw tooth generator :- Saw tooth signals. They supply a ramp voltage.

(i) Voltage tuned local oscillator:-

- (j) Horizontal plate of CRO (x):- The signal from saw tooth generator is also passed to horizontal plate of CRO.

(5) ~~mixer~~ since oscillator passes RF signal to mixer m.

Tuned (or) mixed. The mixer
signals to mixer. The producer produce
the signal. The producer produce
intermediate frequency.

⑤ If amplifier is not in this frequency range which is

is given to the Amplifier.

⑥ Becker's video mapping: The

Amplified signal is passed to video amplifier of detector to vertical plates of

If we give during of
Amplitude vs Frequency

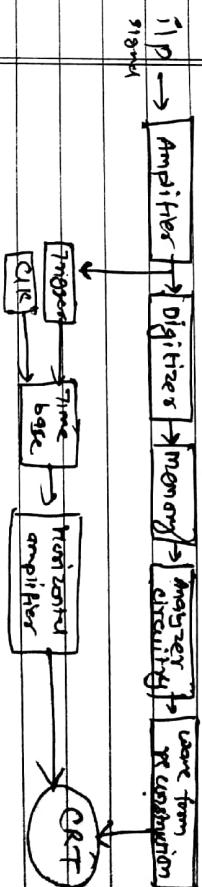


fig :- Digital storage oscilloscope (DSO)

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① Amplifier :- The input signal is attenuated if amplified with input amplifier.

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②
Digitizer :- The old type of Amplifier goes to
Digitizer : The digitizer changes the
Analog signal into digital with ADC circuit

memory is the A/D converted to parallel in memory of memory stores it.

6⑥

Design an instrumentation system to measure the temper of hot water inside a tank using R TD with digital op.

→ Designing an instrumentation system to measure the temper of hot water inside a tank using R TD (Resistances Temperature Detector) with digital reader involves several components of consideration.

Components.

- ① R TD sensors :- choose appropriate R TD sensor with required temperature range of accuracy.
- ② signal conditioning circuit :- wherein need a signal conditioning circuit to convert resistance change of R TD into a measurable voltage - this includes applying a Wheatstone bridge.
- ③ Data acquisition system :- DAS connects with R TD & performs analog to digital conversion (ADC).
- ④ display - Implementing a digital reader display such as LCD, LED displaying to show temper measurement.
- ⑤ power supply : provides a stable power supply for system component.

② Nixie tube

- A Nixie tube or cold cathode display is an electronic device used for displaying numerals or other information using gas discharge. Nixie tubes are display device that uses paper or metal wire carrying. They are neon gas filled tube with cathode shaped like numerical or symbols. Tube is filled with a gas with low pressure mostly neon & small amount of argon, & specific voltage is applied in a penning manner. When voltage is applied a specific cathode light up, giving corresponding character. Nixie tube have a vintage aesthetic of ~~the~~ emits a warm orange glow they are often used in retro street exec for other decorative applications.
- ③ IAD capacitive probe :-
low capacitance probe
are specialized sensor used in various applications to measure capacitance with minimal impact on electronics circuit being measured.

- System design steps:-
- ① mount the RTD sensor in tank so that it's immersed in hot water.
 - ② connect RTD sensor to signal conditioning circuit. The circuit provide excitation voltage & convert it into voltage signal.
 - ③ connect A/D of signal conditioning system device.
 - ④ to start acquisition system device.
 - ⑤ consider features like program PAG to calculate measures (calibration) of output to write accurate test the system for future run & update logic.
 - ⑥ alarm for temper & remote monitoring if needed calibration of error detector for accurate temp.

These probes are designed to have very low capacitance. Hence, capacitive coupling is essential in applications where the capacitance of measurement.

- ① High frequency measurement
- ② Impedance matching
- ③ Differential probe
- ④ Minimizing loading effect

These probes comes in different design of with various features, so choosing the right one depends on factor like freq. range, voltage level & nature of signal.