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Exam.	Back		
Level	BE	Full Marks	80
Programme	BEI	Pass Marks	32
Year / Part	II / I	Time	3 hrs.

Subject: - Instrumentation (EX 504)

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1. a) Define Measurement and Measurement System. [3]
- b) What are the characteristics of Bluetooth communication? [3]
2. a) A voltmeter whose accuracy is 2% of the full-scale reading is used on its 0-50V scale. It is used to measure a voltage of 15 V and 42V. Calculate the possible error of both readings. Comment on your answer. [3]
- b) Describe the measurement of inductance using Maxwell Bridge. [3]
3. What is the loading effect of the potentiometer? Show that the error will be maximum when the potentiometer slider is at potentiometer's midpoint. [5]
4. Draw and explain the block diagram of the closed-loop microprocessor-based instrumentation system. [8]
5. Assume that your group has decided to make microprocessor based instrumentation system for a cookies factory using an 8255 PPI card at base address 6000H in memory mapped I/Q mode for controlling purpose. You need to measure 3 temperature points and 1 pressure point.
 - a) List out collected documents and components. [4]
 - b) List out different signals you need to drive and or can be directly connected to your interfacing circuit. [4]
 - c) Draw minimum mapping circuit for above system. [1]
 - d) What are addresses captured by your card? Generate the control word for the system. [1]
 - e) Write a program module for measuring temperature and control if the temperature is not in the range. Assume suitable data if necessary. [1][1+1+2+1+3]
6. What do you understand by bit rate and baud rate? How can we exchange data between two Data terminal equipment using Rs232 serial interface? [2+6]
7. Describe the successive approximation method of analog to digital (A/D) conversion, taking an example of a 4-bit converter with a full range of 5V and input of 3.225V. [5]
8. What are the different noise coupling mechanism? How can you reduce the conductive noise coupling? [2+3]
9. Explain how we can avoid many failures that may occur on the circuit by using careful design, testable function and redundant architecture. [5]
10. What is trace density? How can you reduce crosstalk while routing signal traces in a PCB? [5]
11. A software company is planning to build new software useful for educational institutes to improve online teaching and learning activities. Which software development model do you suggest for them? Explain the procedure, advantages and limitations of the recommended software development model. [5]
12. Explain in details about ferrodynamic type frequency meter. [5]
13. Explain the existing instrumentation system of the industry involved in your case study. What was your recommendation for further improvement of the system? What are the advantages and limitations of the recommended system? [8]

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1. a) Explain different working environment of an instruments. [3]
- b) Sketch the block diagram of data acquisition system. [3]
2. a) Explain the measurement of capacitance using Schering Bridge. [4]
- b) A moving coil ammeter has a uniform scale with 50 divisions and gives full scale reading of 5A. The instrument can read upto one-fourth of the full scale division with a fair degree of certainty. Determine the resolution of instrument in mA. [4]
3. Describe loading effect in a potentiometer and discuss the methods to reduce loading effect in a potentiometer. Also prove that linearity and sensitivity are two conflicting requirements in a potentiometer. [8]
4. What are the benefits of microprocessor based system? [4]
5. The address captured by 8255 PPI are C0C0H to C0C3H. Sketch the interfacing circuit with 8085 microprocessor in memory mapped I/O for same. What will be the control words for following configurations of 8255 PPI? [2+2+2+1+1]
 - a) Port A: Mode 0 output
Port B: Mode 0 input
Port C: Mode 0 output
 - b) Port A: Mode 1 output
Port B: Mode 1 input
PC_{4,5}: Output
 - c) Port A: Bidirectional
Port B: Mode 1 output
 - d) Set PC₅ in BSR mode
6. a) Describe the functions of RS232C signals used in handshaking. [4]
- b) What is Enumeration in USB protocol? Describe different types of packets used in USB Protocol. [4]
7. Explain how do you interface a 10-bit DAC with 8085 in detail. [5]
8. Explain the different types of filtering mechanism used to reduce conductive noise coupling based on frequency. [5]
9. Explain reliability and fault tolerance in the context of circuit design. [5]
10. Explain the general rules to follow while doing the component placement. List out the factors that should be considered in routing the signal traces on printed circuit board (PCB). [3+2]
11. Explain about spiral model of software development life cycle in detail. [5]
12. Explain the construction and working principle of dynamometer type single phase power factor meter. [5]
13. Draw the complete block diagram of the industrial process control involved in your case study. What are the critical factors affecting the production you have noticed in the visited industry and what are the measures can you suggest for the same? Also mention advantages and disadvantages of suggested system. [8]

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1. a) Define analog and digital signals. Differentiate between analog and digital systems. [1+3]
b) What is a data logger? What are its applications? [2]
2. a) Distinguish between static and dynamic characteristics of a measurement system. Describe various parameters used to study these characteristics. [4]
b) Explain quality factor in Maxwell's bridge? Why is it not suitable to use a Maxwell bridge for measuring the inductance of a large quality factor ($Q > 10$)? [4]
3. a) Explain the working principle of LVDT for the measurement of displacement.
b) A capacitive transducer is made up of two concentric cylindrical electrodes. The outer diameter of inner electrode is 5 mm and the dielectric medium is air. The inner diameter of outer electrode is 5.1 mm. Calculate the dielectric stress when a voltage of 120V is applied across the electrode. Is it within the safe limit? The length of electrode is 20mm. Calculate the change in capacitance if electrode is moved through a distance of 2 mm. The breakdown strength of air is 4 kV/mm. [4]
4. Design an interface arrangement for 8085 microprocessor to map output ports in address space 85 H and input ports in address space 89 H. [4]
5. A dairy factory uses an 8255 PPI card at base address 5000 H.
 - a) Explain how port address is changed with the change in address lines of 8085 connected with 8255. [2]
 - b) How do you initialize a control word for 8255? [2]
 - c) Write a program to read data from port B and display at port A and also, data from port C_U to C_L. [4]
6. a) Describe the various error detection techniques used in data communication.
b) Discuss the types of data packets used in USB protocol. [4]
7. How can you interface 10 bit DAC with 8085? Explain. [5]
8. What is the general principle of grounding? Explain the capacitive noise coupling mechanisms in electronic circuits. [1+4]
9. During circuit design process, what are some general technical dilemmas faced by engineers? Explain how an engineer can arrive at an optimal solution given the requirements of a customer. [5]
10. Define impedance matching and ground bounce? What are the different ways of reducing crosstalk when routing signal traces on a PCB? [2+3]
11. Explain spiral software development model with its advantages and disadvantages. [5]
12. Explain the constructional detail and working principle of electrical resonance type frequency meter. [5]
13. Discuss the current control system and methodology of the instrumentation system involved in your case study with necessary block diagram. What are the suggestions and recommendations you would provide to enhance the current system. Explain with necessary reasons why your recommendations should be implemented. [8]

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1. Sketch the block diagram of generalized measurement system. [3]
2. a) If Voltmeter having accuracy of 1% and full scale range of 100v is used to measure (i) 80 v and (ii) 12 v. How accurate will the reading be? Comment your answer. [4]
 - b) Explain the method used to measure inductance of coil with circuit diagram. [4]
3. Explain in detail about Optical Pyrometer with its advantages and limitations. [8]
4. Draw and explain the block diagram of microprocessor based instrumentation system. [4]
5. The addresses captured by 8255A PPI are D0D0H to D0D3H. What are the addresses captured by the card? Sketch the interfacing circuit with 8085 microprocessor in memory mapped I/O. Write the control word for following configuration. [1+2+2+1+2]
 - a) Port A: Mode 1 input
 - Port B: Mode 1 input
 - Port C_{6, 7}: output
 - b) Set PC2 in BSR mode
 - c) Port A: Bidirectional Port
 - Port B: Mode 1 I/P
6. What are errors in serial data transmission? Explain error detection techniques in serial transmission. Explain USB-OTG in brief. [3+3+2]
7. Explain the operation of Flash type ADC with suitable example. [5]
8. Explain the Bluetooth network topology. [3]
9. Explain the various corrective strategies for different energy coupling mechanisms. [5]
10. What are the factors that describe reliability of an electronic system? Describe the working principle of decoupling capacitors in short. [3+2]
11. Write about the factors we should consider while doing component placement. How do you reduce crosstalk when routing signal traces on PCB? [3+2]
12. Explain the process of software development using Spiral model. [5]
13. Explain in detail about Induction type single-phase Energy meter. [5]
14. Explain the existing system involved in your case study with necessary block diagram. Recommend the changes that you deem necessary in the visited industry during your case study. [8]

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1. a) What are the essential components of Data Acquisition System? Explain it with the help of a block diagram. [4]
- b) What are the reasons to prefer pneumatic systems over hydraulic and electrical system? [2]
2. Obtain the balanced equation of an ac bridge and explain with diagram how Schering bridge can be used to measure unknown capacitance. [8]
3. What do you mean by piezoelectric effect? What are the different types of piezoelectric materials? Explain piezoelectric sensors in detail. [8]
4. Explain the types of microprocessor –based instrumentation system. [4]
5. Interface a printer and a keyboard in mode 1. Port A is designed as output for printer with status check I/O and port B is designed as input for keyboard with interrupt I/O.
 - a) Draw the mapping circuit in I/O mapped I/O. [2]
 - b) What are the port addresses captured by the PPI card. [2]
 - c) Generate required control words. [1]
 - d) Write initializing instructions and subroutines to read characters from keyboard and to send them to the printer. [3]
6. What are the errors in data communication? Compare and contrast Rs 232, Rs 422, and Rs 423 interfaces. [3+5]
7. Explain the working principle of successive approximation type of ADC. [5]
8. What do you understand by decoupling capacitor? Explain the capacitive shielding mechanism. [2+3]
9. What is fault tolerant system? Explain how careful design, testable functions and redundant architecture can avoid many failures in electronic circuits. [1+4]
10. Poor circuit layout and signal propagating principle may cause many problems in the circuit operation, manufacturing ease and probability of design errors. What factors will you consider while routing the signal traces on PCB. [5]
11. How does prototyping model overcomes the short comings of waterfall model? Explain. [5]
12. What is wattmeter? Explain the working principle of induction wattmeter with diagram. [5]
13. Explain the existing system involved in your case study with the necessary block diagram. What was your recommendation over the existing system in terms of cost, manpower and plant automation? [8]