

TRANSDUCERS & SENSORS
(ELEC 4111)

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to answer Group A and any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.

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

Group - A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) Change in output of sensor with change in input is
 - (a) Threshold
 - (b) Slew rate
 - (c) Sensitivity
 - (d) None of the mentioned
 - (ii) Thermocouple generate output voltage according to input
 - (a) Circuit parameters
 - (b) Humidity
 - (c) Temperature
 - (d) Voltage
 - (iii) LVDT has
 - (a) one primary coils and two secondary coils
 - (b) one primary coil and one secondary coil
 - (c) Two primary coils and one secondary coil
 - (d) Two primary coils and two secondary coils
 - (iv) Platinum is used for industrial applications because _____
 - (a) it is cheap
 - (b) it is available readily
 - (c) it is a noble metal
 - (d) it gives accurate measurements
 - (v) Most metallic conductors have a
 - (a) neutral temperature coefficient of resistance
 - (b) negative temperature coefficient of resistance
 - (c) positive temperature coefficient of resistance
 - (d) zero temperature coefficient of resistance
 - (vi) Hall sensor is used to measure the following
 - (a) position of shaft
 - (b) angular velocity
 - (c) strength of magnetic field
 - (d) all of the above
 - (vii) Which transducer measures changes in acceleration, pressure, strain and temperature?
 - (a) photoelectric sensor
 - (b) capacitive sensor
 - (c) piezoelectric sensor
 - (d) inductive sensor

- (viii) Due to variation of venturimeter constant, venturimeters are not suitable for
(a) low velocity (b) high velocity
(c) low pressure (d) high pressure
- (ix) Main advantage of fibre optic cable over co-axial cable is
(a) Easy handling (b) Less weight
(c) Easy testing (d) Low loss
- (x) MEMS stand for
(a) micro electromechanical system (b) macro electromechanical system
(c) micro electromagnetic system (d) macro electromagnetic system

Group - B

2. (a) Why is a solid dielectric medium used for variable distance capacitive type sensors? [(CO3) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]
(b) Describe the operation of an LVDT for measuring displacement. [(CO2) (Understand/LOCQ)]
(c) Calculate gauge factor of a strain gauge, if the value of the resistance is 100 ohm which changes by 10 Ω for 14000 micro strains. [(CO1) (Apply/IOCQ)]
4 + 5 + 3 = 12

3. (a) Describe the function of a resistive potentiometer as a sensor. [(CO2) (Remember/LOCQ)]
(b) Derive the Gauge factor of a strain gauge. [(CO2) (Analyse/IOCQ)]
(c) "Semiconductor Strain Gauge has some disadvantage over metal Strain Gauge" Justify the statement. [(CO4) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]
5 + 4 + 3 = 12

Group - C

4. (a) List the advantages and disadvantages of Ultrasonic Flow meters. Mention its application. [(CO4) (Remember/LOCQ)]
(b) What is an Electromagnetic flowmeter and explain how is it different from other obstruction type flow meters? [(CO2) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]
(c) Analyse how the direction of flow is measured by Hotwire anemometer? [(CO1) (Analyse/IOCQ)]
4 + 3 + 5 = 12
5. (a) Draw and explain the two possible methods of working of Hotwire anemometer. [(CO2) (Analyze/IOCQ)]
(b) What is 'Hall coefficient' and state the factors on which it depends? [(CO3) (Remember/LOCQ)]

- (c) The magnetic field applied to an electromagnetic flowmeter is not constant, but time varying. Justify. [(CO3) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]

5 + 4 + 3 = 12

Group - D

6. (a) Discuss why the reference junction is needed in thermocouples. [(CO3) (Create/HOCQ)]

- (b) How does a thermistor differ from a thermocouple as a temperature sensor? [(CO1) (Understand/LOCQ)]

- (c) With a neat circuit diagram explain the function of 3- wire RTD. [(CO2) (Analyse/IOCQ)]

3 + 4 + 5 = 12

7. (a) Justify why 3-wire RTD is preferred over 2- wire RTD. [(CO3) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]

- (b) How does conductivity change in a metal or in a semiconductor with change in temperature? [(CO3) (Analyze/IOCQ)]

- (c) If at 25 °C, a platinum wire has a resistance of 100Ω, what length would be required for a wire of diameter 0.005cm? The resistivity is 10.6μ Ω-cm. What would be the resistance at 500°C.? Consider for platinum $\alpha = 0.00397/^\circ\text{C}$.

[(CO1)(Analyze/IOCQ)]

3 + 4 + 5 = 12

Group - E

8. (a) Explain how a fibre optic sensor may be used to measure temperature. [(CO2) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]

- (b) Draw and explain the function of remote sensing configuration for air pollution [(CO2) (Analyse/IOCQ)]

- (c) List the advantages of smart sensors over conventional sensors. List the application of smart sensors. [(CO4) (Remember/LOCQ)]

3 + 5 + 4 = 12

9. (a) List the techniques available for tomography and discuss the merits of each. [(CO3) (Remember/LOCQ)]

- (b) Briefly discuss Biosensor structure. [(CO3) (Analyze/IOCQ)]

- (c) Explain what is meant by 'ultrasonic' or 'ultrasound' scanning. [(CO2) (Evaluate/HOCQ)]

4 + 5 + 3 = 12

Cognition Level	LOCQ	IOCQ	HOCQ
Percentage distribution	31.25%	42.70%	26.04%

Course Outcome (CO):

After the completion of the course students will be able to

- Relate the concepts for converting a physical parameter into an electrical quantity
- Explain the working principles, characteristics of sensors and transducers used for measuring physical quantities
- Understand the operational conditions, range and limitations of sensors and transducers
- Select the best fit sensors and their use in medical and other applications

*LOCQ: Lower Order Cognitive Question; IOCQ: Intermediate Order Cognitive Question;
HOCQ: Higher Order Cognitive Question

Department & Section	Submission Link
EE	https://classroom.google.com/c/NDA0OTI4NTYzMzE0/a/NDYzMDE0MDMxNjk1/details