

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE - SEMESTER-VI EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2025

Subject Code:3161008

Date:28-05-2025

Subject Name:Sensors and Transducers

Time:10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks:70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

- Q.1** (a) How the performance of any sensor is measured? **03**
(b) Define following: 1 .Settling time 2.Fidelity 3. Hysteresis 4.Linerarity **04**
(c) List down different types calibration techniques for sensors. Explain any one of them. **07**
- Q.2** (a) Write advantages and disadvantages of Thermocouple. **03**
(b) What is thermistor and how it works? **04**
(c) Explain the principle of operations of RVDT with the help of neat sketch and characteristics. **07**
- OR**
- (c) Potentiometer can be used as motion sensor – Justify the statement. **07**
- Q.3** (a) List out applications of the RF beacons. **03**
(b) Define Hall effect and justify the applications of it. **04**
(c) What are the different types of magnetic sensors? On what principles do they work? Outline briefly. **07**
- OR**
- Q.3** (a) State the basic concept of an electrical resistance strain gauge. **03**
(b) Write down the advantages of magnetic sensors. **04**
(c) Show the constructional and functional details of photo conductive cell with the relevant laws and diagrams. **07**
- Q.4** (a) Explain the principle of ultrasonic Flow meter. **03**
(b) List the properties of piezoelectric crystals. **04**
(c) What is gyroscope? Explain the principle of operation and properties of it with relevant diagrams. **07**
- OR**
- Q.4** (a) What is meant by signal conditioning and why it is required? **03**
(b) List down the applications of attenuators, amplifiers and passive filters in signal conditioning. **04**
(c) Elaborate an Instrumentation amplifier with neat diagram and estimate its gain. **07**
- Q.5** (a) Compare MEMS sensors and Nano Sensors. **03**
(b) Explain the working principle of LASER sensor. **04**
(c) Draw and explain sample and hold circuit **07**
- OR**
- Q.5** (a) List down the features and applications of inclinometers. **03**
(b) Describe the operation of Weighted Resistor DAC. **04**
(c) Explain any one type of ADC with neat diagram. **07**

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Total Marks:70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
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	MARKS
Q.1 (a) Define: (1) Precision (2) Drift (3) Range/Span.	03
(b) Define: (1) Speed of Response (2) Fidelity (3) Lag (4) Dynamic Error.	04
(c) Write down types of Errors and explain any two errors in detail.	07
Q.2 (a) Write any three applications of LVDT.	03
(b) Write a short note on Thermocouple.	04
(c) Compare RTD and thermocouple in detail.	07
OR	
(c) Describe the construction and working of LVDT.	07
Q.3 (a) Write down limitations of Wheatstone bridge.	03
(b) Compare MEMS Sensors and Nano Sensors.	04
(c) Discuss working of Maxwell's bridge for measurement of inductance.	07
OR	
Q.3 (a) Write any three applications of sensors in drone.	03
(b) Write any two advantages and any two disadvantages of Hay's bridge.	04
(c) Explain the Kelvin double bridge method for measurement of low resistance.	07
Q.4 (a) Compare Magnetic and Ultrasonic flow meter.	03
(b) Explain Photo Conductive cell.	04
(c) Explain strain gauge. Give classification and describe any one in detail.	07
OR	
Q.4 (a) Write any three applications of fiber optic sensor.	03
(b) Explain LDR.	04
(c) Explain any one capacitive transducers.	07
Q.5 (a) Write down any three requirements of Instrumentation amplifier.	03
(b) Write short note on GPS.	04
(c) Provide a comprehensive explanation of Successive Approximation method for ADC.	07
OR	
Q.5 (a) Draw a Sample and Hold the circuit.	03
(b) Write a short note on Bluetooth.	04
(c) Compare weighted Resistor DAC and R-2R ladder DAC.	07

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		MARKS
Q.1	(a) Define: (1) Sensitivity (2) Precision (3) Accuracy.	03
	(b) Write short note on Limiting Errors.	04
	(c) A 0-150 V voltmeter has a guaranteed accuracy of 1% of full scale reading. The voltage measured by this instrument is 75 V. Calculate the limiting error in percent. Comment upon the result.	07
Q.2	(a) How a thermistor differs from a thermocouple as a temperature sensor?	03
	(b) Write advantages and disadvantages of Thermistor.	04
	(c) Explain the construction and working principle of potentiometer. Evaluate its application as motion sensor.	07
	OR	
	(c) Explain working of LVDT with advantages and disadvantages.	07
Q.3	(a) Write down the characteristics of Strain Guage.	03
	(b) State advantages of Fiber Optic Sensor and its applications.	04
	(c) Explain the working of Piezoelectric Sensors. List the advantages and disadvantages of Piezoelectric Sensors.	07
	OR	
Q.3	(a) Explain Magneto Resistive Effect.	03
	(b) Define dark resistance and list out various materials used for the construction of LDR.	04
	(c) State the working principle of Optic Fiber sensor. With example explain optic fiber sensor configuration.	07
Q.4	(a) Draw an Inverting Amplifier using Op-Amp and derive formula for its gain.	03
	(b) Write down any four requirements of an Instrumentation Amplifier.	04
	(c) Explain the Kelvin Double bridge method for measurement of Low resistance.	07
	OR	
Q.4	(a) Write down applications of attenuators.	03
	(b) Suggest suitable detectors for AC bridges for the following frequency ranges. (1) 250 Hz to 4 KHz (2) Below 200 Hz (3) 10 Hz to 100 KHz.	04
	(c) Discuss working of Maxwell's Bridge for measurement of Inductance. For what range of Q- factor of the coil, the bridge is suitable?	07
Q.5	(a) Define Resolution and Quantization terms in context of A/D Converters.	03
	(b) A control valve has a linear variation of opening as the input votage varies from 0 to 10 V. A microcomputer outputs an 8-bit output word to control valve opening using an 8 bit D/A converter to generate the valve voltage.	04

- (1) find the reference voltage required to obtain full value opening (10 V)
(2) find percentage of valve opening for a 1 bit change in the input word.
- (c)** An analog transducer with a 0-10 V input is able to distinguish a change of 10 mV in its input signal. (1) calculate its resolution (2) Calculate the number of bits of an A/D converter so that the digital output has almost the same resolution as the transducer. The A/D converter uses a binary code. Calculate also (3) the quantization error and (4) the number of decision levels. **07**

OR

- Q.5** **(a)** Give three comparisons between Weighted Resistor DAC and R-2R ladder DAC. **03**
- (b)** Draw a Sample and Hold Circuit. **04**
- (c)** Explain Successive Approximation Type A/D Converter with suitable block diagram. **07**

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| Q.1 | (a) Define: (1) Sensitivity (2) Repeatability (3) Hysteresis. | 03 |
| | (b) What is meant by two wire and three wire sensors? Give example for each type. | 04 |
| | (c) Discuss about types of errors in measurement system and explain how they are corrected? | 07 |
| Q.2 | (a) Discuss why thermocouples require a reference junction. | 03 |
| | (b) Differentiate the characteristics of RTD and Thermistor. | 04 |
| | (c) Explain construction and working principle of potentiometer. Evaluate its application as motion sensor. | 07 |
| OR | | |
| | (c) Summarize the construction, principle, working of thermistor and its resistance temperature characteristic. | 07 |
| Q.3 | (a) Define Gauge Factor of Strain Gauge. | 03 |
| | (b) Define Dark Resistance and list out some materials used for construction of LDR. | 04 |
| | (c) Define Piezo Electric effect. Draw the equivalent circuit of a Piezoelectric crystal and derive the transfer function of Piezo Electric transducer. | 07 |
| OR | | |
| Q.3 | (a) How can optical fiber be used for stress sensing? | 03 |
| | (b) What is meant by Tactile Sensor? | 04 |
| | (c) Explain the principle, construction, working and applications of Ultrasonic Flow Meter with neat sketches. | 07 |
| Q.4 | (a) Write limitations of Wheatstone Bridge. | 03 |
| | (b) Show the block diagram of Smart Sensor Architecture. | 04 |
| | (c) Draw Maxwell's Bridge circuit and derive the expression for the unknown element at balance. | 07 |
| OR | | |
| Q.4 | (a) Write advantages of AC Bridges. | 03 |
| | (b) Compare MEMS Sensors and Nano Sensors. | 04 |
| | (c) Draw Wein's Bridge Circuit and derive expression for the unknown element at balance. | 07 |
| Q.5 | (a) A 10 bit ADC has a full scale of 10.230 V. When digital output is (11 1111 1111) ₂ , the quantization error of ADC in millivolts is _____ . | 03 |
| | (b) Compare Weighted Resistor DAC and R-2R Ladder DAC. | 04 |
| | (c) With a neat circuit diagram, explain construction and working of 3 bit R-2R ladder DAC. | 07 |

OR

- Q.5** (a) An 8-bit Unipolar DAC has a full scale voltage range from 0V to 7.68 V. If the digital input code is $(10010110)_2$, then the analog output is _____. **03**
- (b) Explain Single Channel Data Acquisition System with suitable block diagram. **04**
- (c) Explain operation of Successive Approximation ADC. **07**
