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**B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL / MAY 2023**

Third Semester

**Mechanical and Automation Engineering**  
**20MUPW301 - SENSORS IN AUTOMATION**  
(Regulations 2020)

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

**PART - A (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

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| 1. Draw the functional block diagram of a measurement system.   | 2,K2,CO1                      |
| 2. Compare accuracy and precision.  | 2,K2,CO1                      |
| 3. Mention the applications of Bluetooth.   | 2,K1,CO2                      |
| 4. List out the applications of accelerometer.  | 2,K1,CO2                      |
| 5. Calculate the gauge factor of a strain gauge, if the value of resistance is 152 ohms, which changes by 5 ohms for 5000 micro strain. | 2,K2,CO3                      |
| 6. State the difference between hydraulic and pneumatic load cell.  | 2,K2,CO3                      |
| 7. Mention the materials used for thermistors.  | 2,K1,CO4                      |
| 8. What is piezo electric effect?   | 2,K1,CO5                      |
| 9. Define environmental monitoring.   | 2,K1,CO6                      |
| 10. List out the types of data acquisition system.  | 2,K1,CO6                      |

**PART - B (5 × 13 = 65 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

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| 11. a) Explain the selection criteria for the transducers.  | 13,K2,CO1 |
| <b>OR</b>   |           |
| b) Describe the functional elements of an instrument with its block diagram.  | 13,K2,CO1 |
| 12. a) Explain the working principle of Potentiometer and its types. Also state its advantages, disadvantages and applications. | 13,K2,CO2 |
| <b>OR</b>   |           |
| b) Explain Ultrasonic sensor with neat schematic and state its advantages and disadvantages.                                    | 13,K2,CO2 |
| 13. a) Explain strain gauge load cell with its advantages and applications.   | 13,K2,CO3 |
| <b>OR</b>   |           |
| b) Describe the basic principle of hall effect sensor and show how can it be used as a magnetic field sensor?                   | 13,K2,CO3 |

*K1 – Remember; K2 – Understand; K3 – Apply; K4 – Analyze; K5 – Evaluate; K6 – Create*

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14. a) Explain the working principle of pressure diaphragm and bellows with neat sketch. 13,K2,CO4

**OR**

b) Explain the construction, principle, working of thermistor and state its advantages and disadvantages. 13,K2,CO4

15. a) How is optical fibre used for stress sensing? Describe any microbend sensor and discuss its operation. 13,K2,CO5

**OR**

b) Illustrate with a neat sketch, the constructional and operation of smart sensor and outline its interface standard. 13,K2,CO5

**PART - C (1 × 15 = 15 Marks)**

16. a) Discuss the functions of Single Channel and Multi Channel Data Acquisition System with block diagram. 15,K2,CO6

**OR**

b) Discuss the importance of Environmental monitoring and explain the sensors involved in monitoring. 15,K2,CO6