

B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOV / DEC 2025

Third Semester

Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering
20EIPC302 - SENSORS AND TRANSDUCERS

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

PART - A (MCQ) (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

	<i>Marks</i>	<i>K- Level</i>	<i>CO</i>
1. Identify which of the following one is a passive transducer. (a) Thermocouple (b) Strain Gauge (c) Photodiode (d) Piezoelectric sensor	1	K1	CO1
2. Static calibration of a transducer involves: (a) Testing the dynamic response (b) Comparing the output with a known input (c) Analyzing the phase shift (d) Measuring temperature variations	1	K2	CO1
3. Interpret a measurement system with an accuracy of $\pm 1\%$ (a) The error is 1% of the full-scale value (b) The resolution is 1% (c) The precision is 1% (d) The instrument measures 1% more than the actual value	1	K2	CO2
4. Which static characteristic affects both accuracy and resolution in a measurement system? (a) Sensitivity (b) Linearity (c) Precision (d) Range	1	K1	CO2
5. In an RTD, the relationship between temperature and resistance is typically: (a) Exponential (b) Logarithmic (c) Linear over a specific temperature range (d) Non-linear across the entire range	1	K2	CO3
6. Potentiometers are typically limited in high-frequency applications due to: (a) Low resistance changes (b) Slow response to rapid input changes (c) Non-linear behavior (d) Limited mechanical durability	1	K1	CO3
7. The type of output signal of LVDT is (a) Digital (b) Linear analog (c) Non-linear analog (d) Pulse-modulated	1	K1	CO4
8. Variable reluctance transducers are primarily used to measure: (a) Displacement and vibration (b) Temperature and humidity (c) Pressure in gaseous systems (d) Light intensity	1	K1	CO4
9. The Hall Effect is based on the production of voltage when: (a) A magnetic field is applied perpendicular to an electric current (b) Mechanical stress is applied to a material (c) Light strikes a semiconductor (d) Heat is applied to a crystal	1	K2	CO5
10. Digital transducers are typically used in: (a) Systems requiring continuous analog signals (b) Systems requiring high-precision digital data output (c) Low-cost, low-precision applications (d) Systems where real-time analog output is needed	1	K1	CO5

PART - B (12 × 2 = 24 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

11. Define Passive Transducer.	2	K1	CO1
12. Distinguish the relationship between calibration and accuracy.	2	K2	CO1
13. What is an analog transducer?	2	K1	CO2
14. Interpret Threshold voltage.	2	K2	CO2
15. List the applications of thermistors.	2	K1	CO3

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| 16. Define young's modulus. | 2 | K2 | CO3 |
| 17. Will the temperature coefficient of resistance affect the accuracy of a piezo-resistive sensor or not. Justify your answer. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 18. Discuss the applications of LVDT. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 19. Discuss the synchros functions in angular displacement measurement. | 2 | K2 | CO5 |
| 20. List the applications of a capacitive proximity sensor. | 2 | K1 | CO5 |
| 21. Write the applications of fiber optic sensors in industrial settings. | 2 | K1 | CO6 |
| 22. Infer the detection of magnetic field using hall effect. | 2 | K2 | CO6 |

PART - C (6 × 11 = 66 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 23. a) Illustrate the different type of errors in measurement systems. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Elucidate the principle of functional elements of measurement system. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| 24. a) Discuss the importance of Linearity and Sensitivity in design of measurement system. | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Describe the zero order and first order system with example. | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| 25. a) Elucidate the construction, working, characteristics and applications of strain gauges. | 11 | K3 | CO3 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Compare the construction and working principles of a hot-wire anemometer and a piezo-resistive sensor in terms of sensitivity and response time. | 11 | K3 | CO3 |
| 26. a) Identify the principle of following transducer and mention its medical applications
(i) Thermocouple
(ii) LVDT | 11 | K3 | CO4 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Identify the role of signal conditioning in capacitive sensors and its importance in practical applications. | 11 | K3 | CO4 |
| 27. a) Develop an integration system of MEMS & nano sensors to act as wearable health monitoring system. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Illustrate an integrated sensor system using Hall Effect transducers and fiber optic sensors to monitor both mechanical stress and environmental pollution in a smart city infrastructure. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| 28. a) Explain about the Digital Transducers in detail note. | 11 | K2 | CO6 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Describe the working of smart sensor with a neat block diagram. | 11 | K2 | CO6 |