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**Full Marks : 70**

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

1.
  - a) What are the basic elements of mechatronics ?
  - b) Describe with a suitable block diagram the disciplinary foundations of mechatronics.
  - c) Write down the benefits of semiconductor revolution in mechatronics. 4 + 5 + 5
2.
  - a) What do you understand by active and passive transducer in mechatronic systems ? Give examples.
  - b) Write short notes on any *two* of the following :
    - i) Strain gauge
    - ii) Ultrasonic sensor
    - iii) Capacitive sensor. ( 3 + 3 ) + ( 4 + 4 )



3. a) What is the role of actuator in mechatronic systems ?
- b) Describe the working principle of hydraulic actuators. What do you mean by single acting and double acting hydraulic cylinders ? What is air muscle ? How does the electromechanical actuator work ?
- c) The bottom diameter and piston diameter of a hydraulic cylinder are 5 mm and 3 mm respectively. The pressure at bottom side is 4 psi while pressure measured at head side of the cylinder is 2.5 psi. Calculate the pulling force.
4. Discuss about applications of microcomputer in mechatronics. Draw the basic block diagram of a micro-computer. Compare between microcontroller and microprocessor. Define application specific processes ( ASICS ).
5. a) Write in brief the basic differences between amplitude modulation and angle modulation.
- b) An electromechanical actuator is having vibration frequency range 5-50 kHz. Design a suitable circuit that will deactivate the actuator when vibration frequency goes beyond the said range.
- c) State the advantages of FFT compared to DFT.

1 + ( 4 + 2 + 1 + 3 ) + 3  
2 + 2 + 5 + 5  
5 + 5 + 4



6. Draw the circuit diagram of LVDT. Explain its working principle. What is the residual voltage of LVDT ? Write down the advantages and disadvantages of LVDT.  $4 + 4 + 2 + 4$
7. a) Describe proximity sensor. Classify them as per the working principle with definition.
- b) Briefly discuss process elements in lumped parameters systems. What is the difference between theoretical and experimental models ?
- c) Compare between sliding bearing and roller bearing. What are the applications of absorbers and dampers in mechanical systems ?  $(2 + 2) + (2 + 2) + (3 + 3)$
8. a) What do you mean by SMA ? Draw the stress-strain curve of SMA and explain its characteristics.
- b) Write short notes on any *three* of the following :
- i) Stepper motor
  - ii) Micro actuator
  - iii) Industrial robot
  - iv) Harmonic oscillator
  - v) Servomechanism in robotics manipulation.
- $(2 + 3) + (3 \times 3)$