

IV B.Tech I Semester Regular Examinations, November 2008
ELECTRONIC MEASUREMENTS AND INSTRUMENTATION
(Electronics & Communication Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Answer any FIVE Questions
All Questions carry equal marks

1. (a) Explain the terms :
 - i. Significant figures
 - ii. Conformity.(b) How are random errors analyzed? Explain them with examples.
(c) Explain about true RMS voltmeter. [6+5+5]
2. (a) What is meant by arbitrary waveform? Discuss with a neat block diagram the working of a arbitrary waveform generator.
(b) Distinguish between a random pattern and video pattern generators. Discuss about important features of both. [8+8]
3. (a) Explain with the help of block diagram the working of a spectrum analyzer.
(b) Explain the different applications of spectrum analyzer. [8+8]
4. (a) Explain the working of a post deflection acceleration oscilloscope using a scan expansion mesh.
(b) Briefly summarize the characteristics of commonly used phosphors. [10+6]
5. (a) Draw the block diagram of a digital storage oscilloscope and explain its operation.
(b) What are the advantages of an active probe? [10+6]
6. (a) Explain the FM recording method.
(b) What are the important features of a Kit type LCR bridge? [8+8]
7. (a) Define a strain gauge? Mention merits & demerits of strain gauge.
(b) Derive the expression for the gauge factor (K) of a bonded resistance wire strain gauge? [8+8]
8. (a) Explain how an electrical transducer can be used to find the unknown pressure of a liquid?
(b) Briefly explain the principle and operation of piezoelectric accelerometer?[8+8]

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1. (a) Explain the functioning of a potentiometer type digital voltmeter.
(b) A $3\frac{1}{2}$ digit of DVM has an accuracy of ± 0.5 percent of reading ± 1 digit.
 - i. What is the possible error in volt, when the instrument is reading 5.00 V on the 10 V range?
 - ii. What is the possible error in volt, when reading 0.1 V on the 10 V range?
[8+8]
2. (a) With respect to construction and circuit configuration, explain how a square wave generator differs from sine wave generator.
(b) With a neat block diagram discuss about an AF sine wave generator. [8+8]
3. (a) What is the difference between a wave analyzer and harmonic distortion analyzer?
(b) Explain with the help of block diagram the working of a harmonic distortion analyzer?
[8+8]
4. (a) With a neat circuit diagram, explain the function of associated circuits that are used for CRT operation.
(b) Explain how the light is emitted on the screen of a CRO. [10+6]
5. (a) Draw the circuit of active probe using FET. Explain its operation and limitations.
(b) What is meant by variable persistence?
[10+6]
6. (a) Discuss the "Direct-connection" technique of using Q-meter.
(b) A coil with a resistance of 5Ω is connected to the terminals of the basic Q-meter. Resonance occurs at an oscillator frequency of 4 MHz and resonating capacitance of 80 pF . Calculate the percentage of error introduced by the insertion resistance, $R_{sh}=0.01\Omega$.
[8+8]
7. (a) Compare thin film RTD and wire wound RTD.
(b) Explain the working of a magnetic flowmeter with a neat diagram. [8+8]
8. (a) Define pressure? What are different methods of pressure measurement?
(b) Define the following terms:
 - i. Gauge pressure

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- ii. Absolute pressure
- iii. Differential pressure.

[8+8]

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1. (a) List out some important features like, operating and performance characteristics of digital voltmeters.
(b) With the help of a neat block diagram explain the principle of operation of a ramp type digital voltmeter. List out its advantages and disadvantages. [8+8]
2. (a) With neat diagrams, discuss about fixed and variable AF oscillators.
(b) Describe the following terms related to signal generators:
 - i. Random Noise
 - ii. Arbitrary waveform
 - iii. sweep generator. [10+6]
3. (a) Explain with a neat block diagram, the working principle of a distortion analyzer.
(b) Explain about the following terms:
 - i. Distortion in a waveform
 - ii. Distortion in a communication signal. [8+8]
4. Explain the function of each of the following CRO controls.
 - (a) Focus
 - (b) Z-Axis Modulation
 - (c) Astigmatism.
 - (d) Trigger and Calibrator. [4+4+4+4]
5. (a) Discuss the following display modes of dual-trace CRO
 - i. A and B chopped
 - ii. A and B alternate.
(b) Explain the working principles of a current probe. [8+8]
6. (a) With a schematic diagram explain the operation of pulse duration modulation (PDM) recording system.
(b) What are the important features of a Kit type LCR bridge? [10+6]
7. Briefly explain the different types of resistance thermometers? Also give their applications. [16]

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8. (a) Write about calibration of pressure measuring instrument?
(b) What is piezo electric effect? How pressure is measured by using piezoelectric pressure transducer? [8+8]

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1. (a) Define voltmeter sensitivity. What is the loading effect of a DC voltmeter? Explain with an example.
- (b) In the circuit shown in figure 1b, two resistors R_1 and R_2 are connected to a 100V dc source. If the voltage across R_2 is to be measured by voltmeters having.

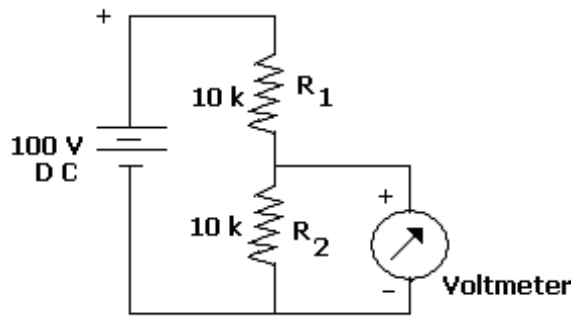


Figure 1b

- i. a sensitivity of $1000 \Omega/V$ and
 - ii. a sensitivity of $20,000 \Omega/V$, then find which voltmeter will read the accurate value of voltage across R_2 . Both the meters are used on the 50V range.
2. (a) What are the precautionary measures to be taken in a signal generator application?
 - (b) Discuss in detail about RF signal generators operation. [8+8]
 3. (a) Distinguish between spectrum analyzer and harmonic distortion analyzer.
 - (b) Describe a signature analyzer and explain usage in locating faults in digital circuits. [8+8]
 4. (a) Draw the neat diagrams of both vertical and horizontal deflection systems and explain briefly about their working.
 - (b) Draw the block diagram of a dual beam oscilloscope and explain its working. [10+6]
 5. (a) A high impedance probe with 9 M ohm resistance and 4 pf capacitance is connected to an oscilloscope with an input resistance of 1 M ohm. When the probe was connected, the effective capacitance is decreased to 3.6 pf. Find
 - i. the capacitance of the oscilloscope

- ii. the attenuation of the probe.
- (b) write the differences between digital storage oscilloscope and conventional storage oscilloscope. [8+8]
- 6. (a) Describe the method used to measure the high impedance components using Q meter.
- (b) Draw the circuit of a Wien bridge and derive an expression for the frequency. [8+8]
- 7. (a) What is a RTD and where is it used?
- (b) What is the difference between photo-emissive, photo-conductive and photo-voltaic transducers? [6+10]
- 8. Briefly explain the working principles and measurement of force by any two non-electric techniques? [16]
