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15ME745

Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Aug./Sept.2020 Smart Materials and MEMS

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Make a comparison between Open and Closed loop smart structures with examples. (08 Marks)
- b. State the reason for considering shape memory alloys as smart materials. (02 Marks)
- c. List the characteristics of shape memory alloys. (06 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Analyse the influence of stress on characteristic temperature of shape memory alloys using mathematical expressions. (08 Marks)
- b. Justify how do you achieve increased frequency of response through multiplexing of embedded NiTiNOL actuators. (08 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Identify Electro Rheological and Magneto Rheological (ER and MR) effects in smart fluids. (04 Marks)
- b. Elaborate on the mechanisms and properties of ER and MR fluids. (08 Marks)
- c. Describe the operations of clutches working on the principle of ER/MR effect. (04 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Explain the basic principle governing the operation of optical fibre. (04 Marks)
- b. With a sketch describe the operation of Extrinsic-Fabry-Perot sensors. (06 Marks)
- c. Write a note on the application of optical fibre in crack detection. (06 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Derive necessary equations to analyse parallel damped vibration absorbers. (10 Marks)
- b. Summarize the strategies and limitations involved in control of structures. (06 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Discuss the characteristics of Natural structures quoting relevant examples. (08 Marks)
- b. Quoting three analogs from natural systems, explain the principles of Biometric sensors. (08 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. State the important characteristics of MEMS. (06 Marks)
- b. Bring out the principles of following microfabrication techniques:
(i) Thermal oxidation (ii) Thin film deposit. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. List the properties and applications of Piezoelectric materials. (08 Marks)
- b. Make a comparison between major sensing and actuating methods. (08 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

Module-5

- 9 a. Briefly discuss about the polymers used in MEMS. (08 Marks)
b. Summarize the important considerations made in the selection of materials for channels and valves. (08 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Conduct a case study to analyse design considerations in case of (i) Microphone (08 Marks)
(ii) BP sensor. (08 Marks)
b. List the primary concerns in developing MEMS and explain any two in detail. (08 Marks)
