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First Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, February 2013
Industrial Automation

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

- 1 a. Explain briefly the ten strategies for automation and production systems. (10 Marks)
b. Explain briefly the various levels of automation in manufacturing. (10 Marks)
- 2 a. Enumerate the principles of material handling to improve the performance of material handling systems. (10 Marks)
b. Which are three types of automated guided vehicles (AGVs) write a note on applications of AGVs? (05 Marks)
c. Explain imbedded guide wires technology for AGVs. (05 Marks)
- 3 a. Discuss about bar code technologies used in automated data capturing system. (06 Marks)
b. Describe the following ADC technologies: i) Magnetic stripes; ii) Optical character recognition. (06 Marks)
c. Explain the importance of computer control system used in coordinating and controlling the manufacturing system. (08 Marks)
- 4 a. Explain briefly, the philosophy of "Group technology". (03 Marks)
b. What is flexible manufacturing system (FMS)? Mention the benefits of FMS. (07 Marks)
c. Explain the objectives of cellular manufacturing. (10 Marks)
- 5 a. Explain the construction and operation of a coordinate measuring machine (CMM). (10 Marks)
b. Explain any two optical inspection techniques. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. Distinguish between continuous and discrete control system. (06 Marks)
b. With the help of block diagrams, distinguish between direct digital control and analog control. (10 Marks)
c. What are the benefits of distributed control system? (04 Marks)
- 7 a. With the help of block diagram, explain operation of analog input module without local intelligence and digital input module without local intelligence. (10 Marks)
b. Explain in brief the basic function carried out by SCADA system with a block diagram. (10 Marks)
- 8 a. What are the functional requirements of a distributed process control system? (06 Marks)
b. Why do we need the system modeling? (08 Marks)
c. Discuss the future trends of model building and simulation of system. (06 Marks)

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