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First Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, January 2011
Industrial Automation

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions.
2. Draw neat sketches, wherever necessary.

- 1 a. Define automation. Explain the various strategies for automation and production systems. (12 Marks)
- b. Describe the error detection and error recovery functions of advanced automation. (08 Marks)
- 2 a. Explain the ten principles of material handling. (10 Marks)
- b. Describe the principle used in self guided vehicle technology. (04 Marks)
- c. What are the reasons that justify the installation of automated storage systems for work in process? Discuss. (06 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain the types of bar code readers. (06 Marks)
- b. Write a note on radio frequency identification. (06 Marks)
- c. Describe the various conveyors driven by chains and cables. (08 Marks)
- 4 a. What is production flow analysis? Discuss the steps involved in PFA procedure. (10 Marks)
- b. What are the functions of a FMS computer control system? Explain. (10 Marks)
- 5 a. Explain the following mechanical structures used in CMM construction, with neat sketches :
i) Horizontal arm ; ii) Gantry type. (08 Marks)
- b. Write a note on the types of non contact, non-optical inspection techniques. (06 Marks)
- c. Discuss the applications of machine vision. (06 Marks)
- 6 a. Write a note on interlocks and interrupt systems. (06 Marks)
- b. Draw the block diagram of a DDC system and explain its features in comparison with an analog control system. (06 Marks)
- c. With help of a neat block diagram, explain the adaptive control system. (08 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain the analog input module, with the help of schematic block diagrams. (08 Marks)
- b. Describe the special software facilities required in RTUs that are not available in SCADA. (06 Marks)
- c. Discuss the polling process in SCADA. (06 Marks)
- 8 a. Explain control bailey micro – Z system, with help of a block diagram. (08 Marks)
- b. What is the necessity of modeling and simulating a plant for automation? What are the steps in building the mathematical model of a plant? Discuss. (06 Marks)
- c. Write a note on future perspectives in modeling and simulation and application examples for plant automation. (06 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.

