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Maximum: 75 Marks

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2015

Fourth Semester

Faculty of Science

Branch II Physics-A-Pure Physics

Paper XVI-Special Paper IV (A) ELECTRONICS—ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTATION

(Prior to 2012 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

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Part A

Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. Explain the working of a shunt type ohmmeter.
- 2. Compare the sensitivity of a.c. voltmeter with that of a d.c. voltmeter.
- 3. Explain the sampling time base used in sampling oscilloscopes.
- 4. Explain the features of cathode ray tube.
- 5. Write the specification of X-Y recorder.
- 6. What are the applications of Wheatstone Bridge?
- 7. What are the advantages of digital transducers?
- 8. Describe the term real time analyzers.
- 9. Explain with Wienbridge method of harmonic distortion analyzer.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 10. Explain with a diagram the working of transistor voltmeter. What are the drawbacks of transistor voltmeters?
- 11. Explain how a multimeter can be used as a voltmeter and ammeter.
- 12. Explain the principle of operation of strip chart recorders with a block diagram.
- 13. Explain different types of bridges. What are the advantages of bridges.
- 14. Explain the operation of a digital Fourier analyzer.

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

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Part C

Answer all questions. Each question carries 12 marks.

15. (a) What is a differential voltmeter? What are the different modes of operation of d.c. standard differential voltmeter?

Or

- (b) Explain true RMS voltmeter. What are the considerations in selecting an analog voltmeter.
- 16. (a) Explain with the block diagram of digital storage oscilloscope. Explain the different modes of operation.

Or

- (b) Explain the working of a strip chart recorder. Compare strip chart recorder with circular chart recorder.
- 17. (a) What is a strain gauge? Define the gauge factor of a resistance strain gauge. What are the important precautions to be taken while using metallic wire strain gauges?

Or

- (b) What are the common detectors used for AC bridges? Discuss the balancing condition of AC bridges.
- 18. (a) Explain the harmonic distortion analyzers. What are the causes of harmonic distortions.

Or

(b) Explain basic wave analyzer with a diagram. Explain the working of a frequency selective wave analyzer.

 $(4 \times 12 = 48 \text{ marks})$