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M.E. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOV 2016

Third Semester

Structural Engineering

15PSE302 – EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES AND INSTRUMENTATION

(Regulation 2015)

Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (5 x 1 = 5 Marks)

1. A _____ may be defined as any instrument or device that is employed to measure the linear deformation over a gauge length.
(a) Hydraulic jack (b) Strain Gauge
(c) Combined lever (d) Dial Indicator
2. _____ are instruments used to record and measure earthquakes.
(a) Seismometer (b) Seismograph
(c) Seismogram (d) Accelerograph
3. _____ is the deliberate destruction of structures and materials by means of explosives, mechanical devices, fire, chemical agents.
(a) Demolition (b) Galvanizing
(c) Stress Relaxation (d) Routing
4. SBR _____
(a) Signal to Background Ratio (b) Signal to Blank Ratio
(c) Signaling to Blurred Responding (d) Simultaneous to Broadcasting Reference
5. A technique used to determine a structures vibration characteristics
(a) Similitude (b) Finite element method
(c) Modal analysis (d) Oriented analysis

PART B - (5 x 3 = 15 Marks)

6. Distinguish between isoclinics and isochromatics.
7. Define the term harmonic frequency?
8. Define flow meter.
9. What is Geometric similitude.
10. What is rebound hammer?

PART C - (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)

11. (a) Explain briefly working principle of optical strain gauge. (16)

Or

- (b) Enumerate and explain the types of pressure measuring devices with neat sketch. (16)

12. (a) Explain briefly about the Cathode Rays Oscilloscope. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain the working principle of seismogram with a neat sketch. (16)

13. (a) Explain the effect of stressed model in a plane polari scope in dark-field setup. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain direct model study and in direct model study. (16)

14. (a) Write short notes on (i) Brittlecoating (ii) Impactecho. (16)

Or

- (b) Discuss the potential mapping on RCC structures by using Half-cell potential measurements. (16)

15. (a) Explain the load testing of towers. (16)

Or

- (b) Explain the components of wind tunnel and its uses in structural analysis. (16)