



**B.E DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: MAY 2018**

(Regulation 2015)

Sixth Semester

**MECHATRONICS**

U15MCE204: Micro Electro Mechanical System

**COURSE OUTCOMES**

- CO1:** Explain the evolution of micro and smart system.  
**CO2:** Illustrate about various sensors and actuating system.  
**CO3:** Classify the Micro machining techniques in MEMS.  
**CO4:** Evaluate a proper scaling method.  
**CO5:** Determine packaging techniques in MEMS and smart system.  
**CO6:** Discuss various applications of MEMS.

**Time: Three Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer all the Questions:-  
PART A (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)**

1. Match the items in List I with List II:

CO2 [K<sub>2</sub>]

List I		List II	
A. Acoustic sensors		i. input photon energy by light	
B. Biomedical sensors		ii. chemical compositions	
C. Biosensors		iii. biomolecules	
D. Optical sensors		iv. medical diagnosis	

- |    | A   | B  | C   | D  |
|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| a) | ii  | i  | iii | iv |
| b) | iii | iv | ii  | i  |
| c) | ii  | iv | iii | i  |
| d) | iii | i  | ii  | iv |

2. A major problem in microchannel flow is

CO2 [K<sub>2</sub>]

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| a) friction effect       | b) capillary effect   |
| c) pressure distribution | d) force distribution |



8. Bulk manufacturing involves primarily CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]
- a) adding portions of material from the substrate      b) subtracting portions of material from the substrate
- c) dividing portions of material from the substrate      d) both adding and subtracting portions of material from the substrate
9. Assertion (A): Silicon dioxide is used as an electric insulator as well as for etching masks for silicon and sacrificial layers in surface micromachining. CO6 [K<sub>2</sub>]  
Reason (R): The least expensive way to produce silicon dioxide film on the silicon substrate.
- a) Both A and R are Individually true and R is the correct explanation of A      b) Both A and R are Individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- c) A is true but R is false      d) A is false but R is true
10. Common light sources used in photolithographic process have wavelengths in the range of CO3 [K<sub>2</sub>]
- a) 100 to 300 nm      b) 500 to 700 nm
- c) 300 to 500 nm      d) 700 to 900 nm

**PART B (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**  
**(Answer not more than 40 words)**

11. List out the components of a microsystem. CO1 [K<sub>2</sub>]
12. What are the two types of scaling laws that are applicable to the design of microsystems? CO4 [K<sub>2</sub>]
13. Why silicon is used as a substrate material for MEMS? CO6 [K<sub>2</sub>]
14. What are the uses of micro accelerometers? CO2 [K<sub>2</sub>]
15. Differentiate between positive resists and negative resists. CO3 [K<sub>2</sub>]
16. Name some parameters that affect the rate of chemical vapor deposition. CO3 [K<sub>2</sub>]
17. Give one advantage and one disadvantage of using surface micromachining. CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]
18. Write a note on "Plasma etching". CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]
19. What are the design constraints to be considered for micro systems? CO1 [K<sub>2</sub>]
20. Define piezoelectric effect. CO2 [K<sub>1</sub>]

**Answer any FIVE Questions:-**  
**PART C (5 x 14 = 70 Marks)**  
**(Answer not more than 300 words)**

**Q.No. 21 is Compulsory**

21. Discuss in detail about the steps involved in the photolithography process for fabrication of micro devices. CO3 [K<sub>2</sub>]

22. (i) Summarize the steps involved in LIGA process with a neat sketch. (7) CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]  
(ii) Explain any three applications of MEMS in automotive industry. (7) CO6 [K<sub>2</sub>]
23. (i) Describe how the scaling of power supply systems in MEMS can be affected by the increase in resistivity? (7) CO4 [K<sub>3</sub>]  
(ii) Explain the working of micro grippers with a neat sketch. (7) CO2 [K<sub>2</sub>]
24. Explain the use of silicon compounds and polymers in the manufacture of MEMS devices. CO3 [K<sub>2</sub>]
25. Discuss in detail about the different methods of actuating motions of micro devices. CO2 [K<sub>2</sub>]
26. (i) Compare Microsystems and Microelectronics with examples. (7) CO1 [K<sub>2</sub>]  
(ii) With the help of block diagram, describe the components needed to develop an intelligent microsystems. (7) CO1 [K<sub>2</sub>]
27. What are the general considerations in microsystem packaging design? Explain the three levels of microsystem packaging with a neat sketch. CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]

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