



PROGRAM : NATIONAL DIPLOMA
ENGINEERING: ELECTRICAL

SUBJECT : **Process Instruments 3**

CODE : **PRI 3221**

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TOTAL MARKS : 100

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INSTRUCTIONS : ONLY ONE POCKET CALCULATOR PER CANDIDATE
MAY BE USED. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS ON
THE QUESTION PAPER

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1**[20 marks]**

A level sensor has an output of 0V-10V. During calibration the following readings were noted:

SITUATION	SENSOR OUTPUT
Tank empty (0 Litre)	1V
4000 Litre	5V
Tank full (8000 Litre)	9V

- 1.1 **Draw** a linearization graph (similar to the Unitronics PLC) indicating the sensor voltage on the horizontal axis and the tank volume on the vertical axis. Clearly indicate the values of the 3 calibration points. (10)
- 1.2 **Calculate** the span of the sensor. (3)
- 1.3 **What** is the ZERO-OFFSET value? (2)
- 1.4 **Calculate** the gain of the sensor system (The slope of the graph). (5)

QUESTION 2**[8 marks]**

- 2.1 With the use of a graph, discuss OPTIMISING CONTROL. (4)
- 2.2 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the Ultimate Method? (4)

QUESTION 3**[15 marks]**

- 3.1 Design a PLC program which performs the following functions. (15)

TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING SEQUENCE OF EVENTS using Visilogic.

- The application is flow measurement of a magnetic flow sensor
- The system needs to be switched on by the power-up bit (SB2)
- Input to the PLC is provided by the analogue 3 input (MI 2)
- The input is a 12 bit input
- Flow rate is from 2 m³/s to 20 m³/s. Save the calibrated value in MI 4
- The system needs to verify the flow rate every 10 seconds. Be careful in your selection here
 - Separately for this linearization block, state the following values
 - X1, X2, Y1, Y2, X, Y
- At the user's request, the power can be cut to the system at any time. For this switch 2 (I 2) must be switched OFF.

QUESTION 4**[48 marks]**

- 4.1 Explain with the use of sketch what feed-forward control is. (4)
- 4.2 Design a circuit illustrating Derivative control using a comparator. (5)

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- 4.3 Compare the 10Base-5 and 1000Base-TX network protocol by completing the following table: (6)

Name	Access	Topology	Data Rate
10Base-5			
1000Base-TX			

- 4.4 Draw the Ring and Star network topologies. (6)
- 4.5 Sketch the Profibus DP and Profibus PA terminators. (8)
- 4.6 With the use of graphs only, explain how noise can be perfectly cancelled out? (3)
- 4.7 List six (6) PROFIsafe safety monitoring features. (6)
- 4.8 Discuss five (5) disadvantages of the 4-20 mA Analogue Communication Protocol. (5)
- 4.9 Discuss in your own words five (5) advantages of the Digital Communication Protocol. (5)

QUESTION 5

[9 marks]

- 5.1 In a boiler water exists in most of the phases of matter. **Draw** a detailed diagram that **explain** the phase / heat / temperature relationship of water. **Indicate** the different latent heat regions clearly. (4)
- 5.2 Show, with a sketch, how **COLUMN PRESSURE CONTROL WITH VAPOUR DISTILLATE PLUS INERTS PRESENT** is achieved? (5)

TOTAL of the Paper = [100]