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M.TECH. (INDUSTRIAL AUTOMATION AND ROBOTICS)

END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, DEC 2018

SUBJECT: DIGITAL MANUFACTURING [MTE 5135]

REVISED CREDIT SYSTEM

Time: 3 Hours

MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to Candidates:

❖ Answer **ALL Five** questions.

- 1A.** Explain generative process planning methodologies. **3**
- 1B.** Describe the Deep reactive ion etching (DRIE) process. How can DRIE achieve perfect vertical etching? **3**
- 1C.** List out the various activities of a manufacturing plant which can be carried out through computer control. Discuss the main elements of CIM systems. **4**
- 2A.** Describe any four actuation techniques for micro devices. Provide any one major advantages of each of these techniques. **3**
- 2B.** Discuss Computer aided Quality control. List objectives and benefits. **3**
- 2C.** Explain the relevance and benefits of Networking in manufacturing, how does it help in design activity where a large number of engineers are involved. **4**
- 3A.** A vehicle suspension producing company is about to rent a robot for miscellaneous operations. The products in its assembly line arrive at the rate of 4 per hour. Non-processing of products i.e. idle time in system incur a loss of Rs: 16/hr. Two alternatives for robots is given and you as chief engineer have been tasked for choosing one for the company. **3**

Details of robots are as follows:

ROBOT 1

Charges: Rs: 6/hr

Service rate: 4/hr

ROBOT 2

Charges: Rs: 10/hr

Service rate: 6/hr

Which robot would you hire? Assume an 8-hr working day and incoming of product rate following Poisson's distribution.

3B.	Discuss on the use of Polymers in MEMS.	3
3C.	“Concurrent Engineering is essentially an innovation system, but one must be clear about the process of framing it”. Describe the system and process.	4
4a.	List out the drawbacks of sequential engineering in handling design change requests.	3
4b.	Discuss the requirements for the next generation manufacturing systems with Distributed Intelligence as a point of reference.	3
4c.	Briefly explain the Low Pressure Chemical Vapor Deposition process.	4
5A.	“Information Technology plays a crucial role in Implementing Concurrent Engineering”. Validate the statement and state the different variety of tools it can offer	3
5B.	Explain the Micro actuation. Describe various methods employed for actuation.	3
5C.	Discuss the following:	
	1. Design for Manufacturability with cost reduction as point of reference,	4
	2. Agent Based Manufacturing	