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ECI 2202: MEASUREMENT & FAULT DIAGNOSIS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
SERIES: OCTOBER 2014
TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Answer any **THREE** questions

All questions carry equal marks

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

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Question One

- a) Explain the following terms as used in measurements:
- (i) Primary fundamental units
 - (ii) Auxiliary fundamental units
 - (iii) Derived units
- (6 marks)**
- b) (i) Derive the dimensional of force in terms of fundamental units
(ii) Express coulombs law of the force exerted between two charges Q1 and Q2 distance d apart and hence derive the dimensional equations of charge. **(8 marks)**
- c) With the aid of a diagram, explain how magnetic density is measured by hall effect method. **(6 marks)**

Question Two

- a) (i) State FIVE sources of instruments errors.
(ii) Explain the classification of indicating instruments. **(8 marks)**
- b) Define the following:
- (i) Precision
 - (ii) Accuracy
- c) (I) Explain the following in instruments.
- (i) Shunt
 - (ii) Multiplier
- (II) Determine the ammeter modification to provide the range 0 – 5A, for a basic meter movement with an internal resistance of 730Ω and full scale deflection current 5mA **(8 marks)**

Question Three

- a) Explain the following errors and the methods of minimizing them:
- (i) Gross errors
 - (ii) Systematic errors
 - (iii) Random errors
- (10 marks)**
- b) Explain the half split method of fault diagnosis. **(4 marks)**
- c) Explain the phases of corrective maintenance. **(6 marks)**

Question Four

- a) With the aid of a diagram explain the measurement of resistance by the substitution method and explain why the accuracy of the meter does not affect the result. **(8 marks)**
- b) (i) List THREE detectors used for a.c bridges.

(ii) Figure 1 shows the arms of an Maxwell's bridge at balance. $R_2 = R_3 = 100 \Omega$. Determine the resistance and inductance of the coil. **(12 marks)**

Question Five

a) Explain the following failures:

- (i) Catastrophic
- (ii) Degradation
- (iii) Inherent weakness

(6 marks)

b) Explain the following:

- (i) MTBF
- (ii) Reliability
- (iii) Maintainability
- (iv) Availability

(6 marks)

c) An electronic equipment has MTBF of 500 hours. Determine the probability of failure for this equipment in 100 hours of life. **(6 marks)**