

COURSE HANDOUT

INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

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UNIT-I SYLLABUS



- Definition
- Basic principles of Measurement
- Measurement systems
- Static performance characteristics
- Oynamic performance characteristics
- Sources of errors, classification, Elimination

INSTRUMENTATION



- The Instrumentation is the technology of making measurements and it implies the application of instruments for sensing, measurement, control and monitoring physical variables.
- Instrumentation is a multi disciplinary subject, its different aspects are based on the subject areas of physics, system dynamics, thermo-fluid mechanics and electrical principles.
- The division of engineering science which deals with measuring techniques, devices and their associated problems is called instrumentation.

MEASUREMENT



- Measurement is the act , or result of a quantitative comparison between a predetermined standard and a measurand (input).
- The Measurement of a given quantity is essentially an act or result of comparison between a quantity whose magnitude (amount) is unknown, with a similar quantity whose magnitude (amount) is known, the latter quantity being called a <u>Standard</u>.
- Quantities like pressure, temperature, displacement, fluid flow and associated parameters, acoustics and related parameters, and fundamental quantities like mass, length, and time are typical of those which are within the scope of mechanical measurements.

MEASUREMENT



- Measurement is the result of an opinion formed by one or more observers about their relative size or intensity of some physical quantity.
- The opinion is formed by the observer after comparing the object with a quantity of some kind chosen as a unit called standard.
- The result of measurement is expressed by a number representing the ratio of unknown quantity to the standard.



It is more appropriate to use the term Measurement of Mechanical Quantities rather than mechanical measurements.

- (i) All mechanical quantities are not measured by mechanical means.
- (ii)And, measurement of mechanical quantities, in modern technology, involves the use of electrical and electronic techniques.

MEASUREMENT PROCESS



Measurement is the act , or result of a quantitative comparison between a predetermined standard and a measurand.

The act of measurement process produces result.

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The basic requirements are:

- (i) The standard used for comparison purposes must be accurately defined and should, be commonly acceptable.
- (ii) The standard must be of the same character as the measurand (the unknown quantity or the quantity under measurement) and is prescribed and defined by a legal or recognized agency or organization like National Bureau of Standards (NBS) or the International Organization of Standards (ISO), the American National Standards institute (ANSI)
- (iii)The apparatus used and the method adopted for the purposes of comparison must be provable.



- 1. <u>Direct Methods.</u> The unknown quantity is directly compared against a standard. The result is expressed as a numerical number and a unit. The standard, in fact, is a physical embodiment of a unit.
- Direct methods are quite common for the measurement of physical quantities like length, mass and time.
- As direct measurement involve human factors are less accurate, less sensitive
- The direct methods may not always be possible, feasible and practicable.
- Hence direct methods are not preferred and are less commonly used.



2. Indirect Methods: The value of the physical parameter (measurand) is more generally determined by indirect comparison with secondary standards through calibration.

In direct method of measurement system consists of a transducing element which converts the quantity to be measured into an analogous signal. The analogous signal is then processed by some intermediate means and is then fed to the end devices which present the results of the measurement.



- **2. Indirect Methods of measurement.**
- Based upon the complexity of the measurement system the measurements are generally grouped into three categories.
- 2.1) primary measurements
- 2.2) secondary measurements
- 2.3) Tertiary measurements.



- A primary measurement is one that can be made by direct observation without involving any conversion (translation) of the measured quantity into length.
- The sought value of a physical parameter is determined by comparing it directly with reference standards.
- Typical examples of primary measurements are:
 - A. Determining the length of an object with a meter rod.
 - B. The matching of two colors, such as when judging the color of red hot metals .

- 2.2 Secondary Measurements. The indirect measurements involving one translation are called secondary measurement. involves only one translation.
- Ex: the conversion of pressure into displacement by means of bellows. Conversion of force into displacement by means of spring. Therefore, a secondary measurement requires.
- (i) An instrument which translates pressure changes into length changes. A length scale or a standard which is calibrated in length units equivalent to known changes in pressure.

Fig-1: Displacement bellow convert pressure in to displacement

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Fig-2: Spring convert force in to displacement



The indirect measurements involving two conversions are called tertiary measurements.

A typical example-1 of such a measurement is the measurement of temperature of an object by thermocouple.



2nd translation is from voltage to length.

Ex-1: For Tertiary measurements: the measurement or static pressure by bourdon tube pressure gauge.





Figure 2.1 Bourdon-tube pressure gage as the generalized measurement system.

When static pressure (input signal) is applied to bourdon tube, its free end deflects. The deflection which constitutes the secondary signal is very small and needs to be made larger for display and reading. This task is accomplished by arrangement of lever, quardrant, gear and pointer. The amplified displacement constitutes the teritiary signal and it is indicated by the movement of the pointer against graduated scale. .

1st translation is from pressure to small displacement.

2nd translation is from small displacement to larger displacement



PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF AN INSTRUMENTS : are classified as



- **1. STATIC CHARACTERISTICS**
- **2. DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS**
- **1. STATIC CHARACTERISTICS:**
- The characteristics which describe the performance of measuring instruments when subjected to low frequency inputs or DC inputs are referred to as static characteristics
- In some of applications the parameter of interest is more or less constant or varies very slowly with time. Measurement of such applications are called static measurement

STATIC CHARACTERISTICS OF AN INSTRUMENT : are as follows

- 1.1 Accuracy
- 1.2 Error
- 1.3 Reproducibility
- 1.4 Drift
- 1.5 Sensitivity
- 1.6 Dead Zone
- **1.7** Precision
- 1.8 Linearity
- 1.9 Threshold
- 1.10 Hysteresis
- 1.11 Resolution
- 1.12 Stability
- 1.13 Range and Span

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DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF INSTRUMENT



- The dynamic behavior of an instrument can be determined by applying some form of known and predetermined input to its primary element and study the output ie., movement of pointer)
- Generally the behavior is judged for 3 types of inputs.
- 1. Step change: In this case the input having changed remains constant.
- 2. Linear change: In this case the input changes linearly with time.
- 3. Sinusoidal change: In this case the magnitude of the input changes in accordance with a sinusoidal function of constant amplitude.



2. DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF INSTRUMENT



The dynamic characteristics of an instrument are as follows:

- 2.1 Speed of response
- 2.2 Measurement Lag
- 2.3 Fidelity
- 2.4 Dynamic error
- 2.5 Dynamic range
- 2.6 Band width
- 2.7 Setting time
- 2.8 Time constant.

FUNCTIONS OF INSTRUMENTS AND MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS



- There is another way in which instruments or measurement systems may be classified.
- This classification is based upon the functions they perform.
- The three main functions are explained below:
 - 1) Indicating Function.
 - 2) Recording Function.
 - **3)** Controlling Function.



(i) Monitoring of processes and operations.(ii) Control of processes and operations.(iii) and Experimental Engineering analysis.



- Generalized configuration and functional description of measuring instruments-Examples
- Sources of error,
- Classification & elimination of error



- Most measuring systems fall with in the framework of a general arrangement consisting of three phases or stages.
- Stage-1 : A detector transducing or sensor stage.
- Stage-2 : An intermediate stage : (Signal conditioning stage)
- Stage-3 : A terminating or Read out stage.



Fig: Block diagram of the Generalized Measuring System

INSTRUMENTS

Ex1: Tire gauge using for checking automobile tire pressure



- It consists of a cylinder and piston, a spring resisting piston movement, and stem with scale divisions.

- As air pressure bears against the piston, the resulting force compresses the spring until spring & air forces balance. The calibrated system which remains in place after the spring returns the piston, indicates the applied pressure.

-The piston-cylinder combination constitutes a force summing apparatus, sensing and transducing pressure to force.

- As a secondary transducer, the spring converts the force to a displacement. Finally the transduced input is transferred without signal conditioning to the scale & index for read out.

BOURDON PRESSURE GAUGE





Figure 2.1 Bourdon-tube pressure gage as the generalized measurement system.

AN INPUT-OUTPUT CONFIGURATIONS OF MEASURING INSTRUMENTS AND MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS.



A generalized configuration in instruments and measurement systems which brings out a significant input-output relationship present in them is shown in Figure. Input quantities are classified into three categories:

- (i) Desired inputs.
- (ii) Interfering inputs.
- (iii)Modifying inputs.

GENERALIZED INPUT-OUTPUT CONFIGURATION OF MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS. 39



Generalized input-output configuration of measurement systems.

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ERRORS

- Error = Reading of standard value measured value
- The accuracy and precision of an instrument depends upon its design, the material used and workmanship that goes into making the instrument.
- The choice of an instrument for a particular application depends upon the accuracy desired.
- If only a fair degree of accuracy is desired, it is not economical to use expensive meter and skill for the manufacture of the instruments.
- But an instrument used for an application requiring a high degree of accuracy has to use expensive and a highly skilled workmanship.

TYPES OF ERRORS



No measurement can be made with perfect accuracy, but it is important to find out what accuracy actually is and how different errors entered into the measurement.

Errors may arise from different sources and are usually classified as under.







1. Noise: it is defined as any signal that does not convey useful information . The noise or signal disturbances contribute to the uncertainty of measurement.

Noise may originate either

- At the primary sensing device
- In a communication channel
- In the indicating element of the system
- Noise can be reduced to a maximum level through filtering, careful selection of components, shielding and isolation of the entire measuring system.
- 2. Response time: measuring system can not immediately indicate the input signal applied to it. This factor contributes to uncertainty. (mercury thermometer)

FOR UNCERTAINTY OF MEASUREMENT) Contd..



- **3. Design limitations**: In the design of an instruments there are certain inevitable factors which lead to uncertainty of measurement.
- 4. Effects of friction in the instrument movement:
- 5. Effect of resolving power : The ability of observer to distinguish between nearly equal divisions.
- 6. Energy exchanged by interaction : when ever energy required for operating the measuring system is extracted from the measurand, the value of latter is altered to a grater or lesser extent.



- **7. Transmission:** In the transmission of information from primary sensing element to indicator.
- 8. Deterioration of measuring system: it is due to physical or chemical deterioration or other alterations in characteristics measuring elements.
- **9.** Ambient influences on measuring system: The changes in atmospheric temperature may alter the elastic constant of a spring, changes in resistance. Other factors like humidity, pressure.
- **10. Errors of observation and interpretation:** Mistakes in observing, interpreting, recording the data.
 - (Parallax errors, personal observer

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This unit covers

- MEASUREMENT OF DISPLACEMENT
- MEASUREMENT OF TEMPERATURE
- MEASUREMENT OF PRESSURE.



As per syllabus we focus on following.

- Theory and construction of various transducers to measure displacement.
- Piezo electric transducer
- Inductive transducer
- Capacitance transducer
- Resistance transducer
- Ionization transducer
- Photo Electric transducer
- Calibration procedure

TRANSDUCER



- A transducer is a device which senses the physical variable to be measured and converts into a suitable signal (voltage or current)
- A device to convert the quantity or phenomenon to be measured into a voltage or current, which can be observed on an oscilloscope, read on a meter or recorded on a chart
- Ex: Pressure transducer
 - Temperature transducers :(RTD, Thermistor, Thermocouple. Pyrometer)

TRANSDUCER



- Displacement transducers:

- 1)Variable resistance transducer, 2)LVDT
 3)Capacitive, 4) variable Reluctance displacement transducer,
- 5) piezoelectric transducer,
- 6) Hall effect displacement transducer,
- 7) photoelectric transducer, 8) lonization transducer, 9) LDR
TRANSDUCER



Examples of Displacement transducers:

- 1) Variable resistance transducer,
- 2) LVDT
- 3) Capacitive,
- 4) variable Reluctance displacement transducer,
- 5) piezoelectric transducer,
- 6) Hall effect displacement transducer,
- 7) photoelectric transducer,
- 8)Ionization transducer,
- 9) LDR

FACTORS ON WHICH TRASDUCER SELECTION DEPEND



- 1. Fundamental parameters : these include
- a) Type of measurand (input)
- b) Range of measurement
- c) Required precision , which includes
 - allowable non-linearity effects
 - allowable dead-zone effects
 - Frequency response
 - Resolution
- **2. Environment :** This includes conditions of
 - a) Ambient temperature
 - b) Corrosive or non-corrosive atmosphere
 - c) What shock and vibration to with stand

FACTORS ON WHICH TRASDUCER SELECTION DEPEND



- 3. Physical conditions: These are
 - a) Room or available space to mount the transducer.
 - b) Whether the measurement is static or dynamic.
 - c) How much energy can be extracted from the input to do measurement with out much loading.
- **4)Compatibility with next stage**: Transducer should be so chosen so as to meet the requirements of next stage.
 - a) Impedance matching.
 - b) Excitation voltage matching.
 - c) Sensitivity tolerance matching.

FACTORS ON WHICH TRASDUCER SELECTION DEPEND



5) General requirements:

a) Ruggedness to withstand over loads

- b) Linearity
- c) Repeatability
- d) Stability and reliability
- e) Good dynamic response
- f) Convenient instrumentation.



Transducers are classified as follows:

1. Active and passive transducer and Passive transducer.

Active Transducer : The transducer which do not require any external excitation energy to provide their output are known as active transducer. Example: Piezo electric transducer Photo voltaic cell Thermocouple Moving coil generator



1b) Passive transducer: The transducers which require an external excitation energy to provide their output are known as passive transducers.

Examples: - Resistance transducer

- Capacitive transducer
- Inductive transducer
- Hall-effect transducer
- -Photo emissive cell
- (Photo electric type transducer)



- 2) On the basis of transduction principle used: the input variable to the transducer is being converted into resistance, capacitance or inductance value.
- 2a) Resistive transducers:
 - **Resistance thermometer, Potentiometer device,**
 - Resistance strain gauge, Thermistor,
 - Photo conductive cell
- **2b) Capacitive transducers:** Dielectric gauge, capacitor microphone, Variable capacitance pressure gauge
- **2c) Inductive transducers:** Differential transformer type transducer (LVDT, RVDT), Reluctance type transducer,



3) Primary and secondary transducers:

3a) Primary transducer: is the first element in a measurement system and it senses the physical parameters (like temperature, pressure, displacement, force etc.) and converts them into a mechanical parameter (usually displacement)

These are mechanical type and electrical type

- Ex: -pressure sensing elements (diaphragm, bellows, bourdon tube)
- solid rod expansion thermometers (Bimetallic strip)
- The cylindrical column of a load cell which converts displacement in to strain



3) Primary and secondary transducers:

3b) Secondary transducer: A transducer which is used as the second element of a measurement system, to convert the mechanical output of primary transducer into an electrical quantity is known as secondary transducer. Generally these are electrical type transducers.

Example: -strain gauge

-LVDT (Linear variable differential transformer).



4) Analog and Digital transducers:

4a) Analog transducer: it is a transducer which produces an output in analog form or a form which is a continuous function of time.

Example: -Thermistor

- Thermocouple
- Strain gauge
- LVDT

4b) Digital transducer: It is a transducer which produces an output in digital form or in the form of pulses.

Example: Turbine flow meter.



5) Transducers and Inverse Transducers:

- 5a) Transducer (Input transducers): a measuring device which measures and converts non-electrical quantity into electrical quantity is known as transducer. Such transducers are usually used in the input stage of a system and hence they are also known as input transducers
- **Example: potentio meter**
 - Thermo couple
 - LVDT
 - Moving coil generator



5) Transducers and Inverse Transducers:

5b) Inverse Transducer (output transducers): A measuring device which measures and converts an electrical quantity into non-electrical quantity is known as inverse transducer. Such transducers are usually placed at the output stage of a measurement system and hence they are also known as output transducers. Inverse transducers are used in feedback measuring systems like servo-mechanism etc.

Example: - Piezo electrical crystal

-Data indicating and recording instruments (Analog ammeter, Volt meter, pen recorders etc.)

ELECTRICAL TRANSDUCERS FOR LINEAR DISPLACEMENT MEASUREMENT

1a)Variable resistance transducer (Potentio meter)

- 2a) Variable inductance transducer LVDT(Linear Variable Differential Transducer)
- 3) Variable reluctance displacement transducer.
- 4a) linear Variable capacitance transducer
- 5) Piezo electric transducer
- 6) Light dependent Resistance (LDR)
- 7) Ionization transducer

DISPLACEMENT MEASUREMENT

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- **1b)Angular potentiometric displacement transducer**
- 2b) Variable inductance transducer RVDT

(Rotary variable differential transformer)

- **3b) Angular variable capacitance transducer**
- 4) Hall-effect angular displacement transducer
- 5) Synchro's and Resolver's

1a) VARIABLE RESISTANCE TRANSDUCER (Potentiometer)



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1B) ANGULAR-POTENTIOMETRIC DISPLACEMENT TRANSDUCER



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2B) VARIABLE INDUCTANCE TRANSDUCER (Ex. LINEAR VARIABLE DIFFERENTIAL TRANSFORMEF LVDT)





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3) VARIABLE RELUCTANCE DISPLACEMENT TRANSDUCER





4A) CAPACITIVE TRANSDUCER USING THE EFFECT OF VARIATION OF OVERLAPPING AREA OF PLATES.



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The capacitive transducer working on the principle of change in capacitance due to variation of dielectric constant w.r.t linear displacement is shown in figure. it contains two fixed plates .





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5. PIEZO-ELECTRIC TRANSDUCER









TO MEASURE DISPLACEMENT





LIGHT DEPENDENT RESITOR (LDR):





Hall effect: relates to the generation of transverse voltage difference on a conductor which carries current and is subjected to magnetic field in perpendicular direction





HALL-EFFECT DISPLACEMENT TRANSDUCER





1A). LIQUID-IN-GLASS THERMOMETER





1b) GAS THERMOMETER





1c) VAPOUR PRESSURE THERMOMETER





SPIRAL SHAPED BIMETALLIC STRIP THERMOMETER





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SOLID ROD THERMOMETER





PLATINUM RESISTANCE THERMOMETER/RTD







Thermistors are made in different sizes and forms (shapes) such as beads, discs, rods and probes as shown in fig.



WORKING OF THERMISTOR ...contd.



Fig: Measurement of temp using thermistor

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WORKING OF THERMISTOR

Here the change of resistance is displayed by the output device and the displayed signal gives the measurement of the temperature of the process when calibrated. The resistance temperature characteristics of thermistor are illustrated in figure



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DISTIGUISH BETWEEN RTD & THERMISTOR

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RTD

- 1. RTD are made of pure metals
- 2. It has +ve temp. Coefficient
- 3. RTD has low accuracy
- Used for greater temp range up ³) to 600^o C ⁴)
- 5. RTD allow smaller cable lengths
- 6. Slow output response
- 7. Used in industrial installation application
- 8. Good stability
- 9. These are expensive
- 10. Low amount of heating

THERMISTOR

- 1) Thermistors are made up of ceramic or polymer materials.
 - It has -ve temp. coefficient
 - Thermistors have good accuracy Used for lower temp range up to 130^o C
 - It allows larger cable length
 - Fast output response
 - Used in home appliances
- 8) Less stable than RTD
- 9) These are in expensive
- **10)** High amount of self heating


If a circuit is formed including thermocouple as shown in figure. A minimum of two conductors will be necessary resulting in two junctions P, Q.

If we disregard the Thomson effect, the net emf will be result of the difference between the two Peltier e.m.f's occuring at the two junctions.





As shown in fig(a), if the third metal 'C' is introduced and if the new junctions 'r' and 's' are both held at temperature T_3 , the net potential for the circuit will remain unchanged.

This of course permits insertion of a measuridevice or circuit with out upsetting the temperature function of the thermocouple circuit.





APPLICATION OF LAW OF LAW OF INTERMEDIATE METALS



As shown in fig(b), if the third metal 'C' may be introduced at either a measuring or reference junction, so long as couples P_1 and P_2 are maintained at the same temperature T_1 .

this makes possible the use of joining metals, such as soft or hard solder in fabricating the thermocouples.

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If a simple thermocouple circuit develops an emf e_1 when its junctions are at temperatures $T_{1 \text{ and }} T_{2,}$ and an emf e_2 when its junctions are temperatures $T_{2 \text{ and }} T_{3.}$ it will develop an emf ($e_{1+} e_2$), when its junctions are at temperatures $T_{1 \text{ and }} T_{3.}$



THERMOCOUPLE PRINCIPLE & THEORY





When two metals which are made up of two different materials are joined together to form two junctions. One junction senses the desired or unknown temperature, this junction is called hot or measuring junction. The second junction will be usually be maintained at a known or fixed temperature and is called cold or reference junction.

When the measuring junction is heated up with respect to other junction, the emf developed at the junction is proportional to the applied temperature and the junction temperature is known as thermocouple.

CONSTRUCTION & WORKING OF THERMOCOUPLE



The thermocouple hot Junction will be exposed to the process or media where the temperature has to be measured. The thermocouple cold junction will be maintained at a constant reference temperature.





COMMON METHODS FOR SEPARATING THERMOCOUPLE WIRES

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Fig. 10.27. Element with double-bore Elemet with asbestos insulators insulation Element with bead insulator Bare element



TOTAL RADIATION PYROMETER (MIRROR TYPE)



INFRARED PYROMETER





OPTICAL PYROMETER





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- 1) Atmospheric pressure (P_{at}) : this is the pressure exerted by the envelope of air surrounding the earth surface.
- $P_{at} P_{vp} = pgh$

P_{vp} = mercury vapour pressure

h= mercury level

Pat = Atmospheric presure

p = density of mercury

Since mercury has a low vapour pre

 $P_{at} = pgh$



PRESSURE MEASUREMENT TERMS



- 2) Absolute Pressure (P_{ab}) : It is defined as the algebraic sum of atmospheric pressure and gauge pressure.
- P_{abs} = P_{atm} + P_{gauge} (for positive gauge pressure)
- P_{abs} = P_{atm} + (- P_{gauge}) = P_{atm} - P_{gauge} (for negative gauge pressure)
- **3) Gauge Pressure (P**gauge): The pressure above atmospheric pressure is called gauge pressure.
- When the unknown pressure is more than atmospheric pressure, the pressure recorded by the instrument is called gauge pressure





4. Vacuum Pressure: The pressure below atmospheric pressure is called vacuum pressure or negative pressure.



Fig: Relation between Pressure terms:



Gravitational transducers : 1. a) A dead weight tester/gauge b) Manometers **B. 1) well type manometer** B. 2) U type manometer (differential manometer) **B**.3) Barometer **B.4) Inclined manometer B.5) Micro manometer.** 2. Elastic transducers :2.1) Bourdon pressure gauge 2.2) Elastic diaphragm gauges - Flat type diaphragm gauge - Corrugated type diaphragm gauge 2.3) Bellow gauges



- 3. Strain gauge Pressure cell :
 - Pinehed tube
 - Cylindrical tube pressure cell
 - Flattened tube pressure cell
- 4. Mcleod gauge

- 5. Thermal conductivity gauges :
 - Thermocouple gauge
 - Pirani gauge
- 6. Ionization gauges:
- 7. Electrical resistance pressure gauge:



DEAD-WEIGHT TYPE TESTER OR GAUGE (PISTON GAUGE)



- **B. 1) Well type manometer**
- B. 2) U type manometer (differential manometer)
- **B**.3) Barometer
- **B.4) Inclined manometer**
- **B.5) Micro manometer.**

WELL TYPE MANOMETER:

It consists of a well and a tube . The area of the well is much larger than the area of the tube. So when pressure P_a is applied on well, and pressure P_b is applied in a monometer. The pressure difference will be indicated by the height of the liquid column in the tube.

Pressure difference =
$$P_d = P_a - P_{b=} p h g$$

- **P**= density of fluid
- h= net column height
- g = local gravity acceleration
- The height becomes a measure of he applied pressure when calibrated.

The accuracy of the instrument is low.



BAROMETER



A barometer is a single leg instrument in which one end of the liquid column is kept at zero absolute pressure.

 $P_{at} - P_{vp=} p gh$

P_{vp=} mercury vapour pressure_, P_{at =} atmospheric pressure

h= height of liquid column g = local gravity acceleration

Mercury has a low vapour pressure and thus can be neglected in comparison to P_{at}

 $P_{at} - 0_{=} pgh => P_{at}_{=} pgh$

- Then the height of the liquid column is a measure of the absolute pressure.
- To achieve high accuracy, the zero level of the well is set at the zero level of the scale before taking each reading.





In this type, the tube is tilted with respect to gravity. This increases the sensitivity of the manometer as a grater motion of liquid is possible along the tube for a given change in vertical height .(as the inclined tube will have more graduations per unit vertical height. The inclination of tube is around 10 degrees.



U-TUBE MANOMETER (DIFFERENTIAL MANOMETER)

- U tube manometer is the mos simple and most commonly used manometer for measuremen differential pressure between two points.
- A U-tube manometer consists of two vertical columns as shown in figure The manometer tube is filled with a liquid (usually mercury)
- Before application of pressure the liquid in the two columns is at same level, because both the columns are subjected to atmospheric pressure at ideal state.



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DIFFERENT DIAPHRAGMS



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SECONDARY TRANSDUCERS USED WITH DIAPHRAGM PRESSURE PICKUP

A) USE OF RESISTANCE STRAIN GAUGE WITH FLAT DIAPHRAGMS:

Principle: a obvious approach is to simply apply gauges directly to a diaphragm surface and calibrate the measured strain in terms of pressure.

 In this set up one gauge is subjected to tension while the other gauge senses compression. When pressure is applied to the side opposite the gauges, the central gauge is subjected to tension while the outer gauge senses compression. The two gauges are used in adjacent bridge arms, thereby adding individual outputs and simultaneously providing temperature compensation.

SECONDARY TRANSDUCERS/PICKUP USED WITH DIAPHRAGM PRESSURE



B) USE OF INDUCTIVE TYPE TRANSDUCER WITH FLAT DIAPHRAGMS:

- Variable inductance is used as a form of secondary transducer used with a diaphragm.
- .in inductive type of secondary transducer the flexing of the diaphragm is utilized to change the relative induction of two coils placed in the magnetic field.
- The device consists of two E-shaped magnetic pieces placed equally around a diaphragm. Two coils are wounded around these E-shaped pieces.



DIAPHRAGM PRESSURE GAUGE

- The fig. illustrates the principle of operation of a diaphragm pressure gauge.
- Because of pressure differential, the diaphragm deflects.
- The mechanical linkages arrangement shows the deflection of indicator on the pressure scale and corresponding pressure is measured.







ii) PRESSURE MEASUREMENT WITH BELLOWS:

- Bellows, the pressure measuring elements are formed by the series combination of capsules. The working principle of bellow is same that of diaphragms; ie the applied displacement is converted into proportionate mechanical displacement.
- The materials used to construct bellows are brryllium copper, brass, monel, stainless steel and nickel.
- When ever the pressure to be measured is applied to the sealed end of bellow, suffers displacement. The generated displacement can be known by attaching a pointer scale arrangement to the sealed end by transmitting the displacement to the secondary transducer.



III) BOURDON TUBES

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The bourdon tubes are available in different shapes such as spiral, helical, twisted and C shaped. However all the tubes have non-circular crosssection. The materials used in the construction of bourdon tubes are brass, steel and rubber.





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THE ARRANGEMENT OF BELLOW TYPE PRESSURE GAUGE FOR INDICATING GAUGE PRESSURE.



- Pressure is applied to one side of the bellows and the resulting deflection is counter balanced by a spring.
- By suitable linkages, the bellows displacement is magnified and the gauge pressure is indicated by a pointer on the scale.
- Therefore, the value of applied pressure is directly read from the calibrated scale.



THE ARRANGEMENT OF BELLOW TYPE PRESSURE GAUGE FOR INDICATING DIFFENENTIAL PRESSURE.



Fig. 8.33 Bellows pressure gauge

Fig. 8.34 Differential bellows gauge

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ELASTIC DIAPHRAGAM TYPE PRESSURE GAUGE





WORKING OF BOURDON GAUGE







FLATTENED TUBE PRESSURE CELL

how can a strain gauge be used to measure pressure with the help of flattened tube pressure cell

Flattened tube pressure cell is a type of strain gauge pressure cell A stain gauge pressure cell works on the principle that any container will undergo strain (change in its dimensions), when it is subjected to internal pressure. As strain is proportional to the applied pressure, the measure of strain provides the measure of the applied pressure. Pressure cell is shown in figure.



MCLEOD GAUGE





IIA) THE PIRANI-TYPE THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY GAUGE FOR LOW PRESSURE MEASUREMENT




IIB) THERMOCOUPLE TYPE CONDUCTIVITY GAUGE



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IIB) THERMOCOUPLE TYPE CONDUCTIVITY GAUGE



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UNIT-IIIA MEASUREMENT OF LEVEL



SYLLABUS:

DIRECT METHODS:

INDIRECT METHODS:

Capacitive , ultrasonic, magnetic,

bubbler level, Cryogenic fuel level indicator



- In the modern manufacturing industries which uses many solvents, chemicals, steam and other liquids
- Power plants use vast amount of water , the accurate measurement of liquid is very essential.

- A) DIRECT METHODS: which uses the varying level of the liquid as a means of obtaining the measurement. The response of the device
- indicates the changes in liquid level directly.
- A1) sight glass level gauge
- A2) Bob and tape method
- A3) hook type level gauge
- A4) Float level indicator
- A5) float and shaft liquid level gauge
- A6) Displacer type liquid level measuring instrument
 - Torque tube displacer
 - Spring balance displacer



B) INDIRECT METHODS

- In indirect methods of level measurement methods, uses a variable (resistance, capacitance, inductance, buoyancy force, hydrostatic pressure) that changes with the liquid level to actuate measuring mechanism.
- Thus the change occurred in these parameters gives the measure of liquid level.
- **B1)** Capacitive type level indicator.
- **B2)** Float operated potentiometer(Electrical resistance
- **B3)** Ultrasonic level measurement instrument.
- **B4)** Bubbler (Purge) type level indicator
- **B5) Magnetic type level indicator**
- **B6)** Radioactive method for level measurement.
- **B7) cryogenic fuel level indicator.**

DIRECT METHODS A1) SIGHT GLASS LEVEL GAUGE







A2) BOB AND TAPE METHOD





A3) HOOK TYPE LEVEL GAUGE









A5) FLOAT & SHAFT LEVEL GAUGE





A6) DISPLACER TYPE LIQUID LEVEL MEASURING





A6) DISPLACER TYPE LIQUID LEVEL MEASURING

II) SPRING BALANCE DISPLACER



DIRECT METHOD OF LEVEL MEASUREMENT

B1) CAPACITIVE TYPE LEVEL INDICATOR.



B2) FLOAT OPERATED POTENTIOMETER (ELECTRICAL RESISTANCE) LEVEL INDICATOR

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B3) ULTRASONIC LEVEL MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENT





B4) BUBBLER (PURGE) TYPE LEVEL INDICATOR





B5) MAGNETIC TYPE LEVEL INDICATOR





B6) RADIOACTIVE (NUCLEAR RADIATION) METHOD FOR MEASUREMENT OF LEVEL



B8) CRYOGENIC FLUEL LEVEL INDICATOR





MEASUREMENT OF FLOW

Syllabus:

- Rotameter
- Magnetic flow meter
- Oltrasonic flow meter
- Turbine flow meter
- Intermediate A second secon
- Laser Doppler Anemometer (LDA)





- 1) Rotameter (Variable area flow meter)
- 2) Magnetic flow meter
- 3) Turbine flow meter
- 4) Hot wire anemometer (Thermal method_
- 5) Ultrasonic flow meter
- 6) Laser Doppler Anemometer (LDA)

1. ROTAMETER





2. MAGNETIC FLOW METER







3. TURBINE FLOW METER ...contd.



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HOT WIRE ANEMOMETER





4.1) CONSTANT CURRENT METHOD OF HOT WIRE ANEMOMETER



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4.2) CONSTANT TEMPERATURE METHOD OF HOT WIRE ANEMOMETER







5) WORKING OF LASER DOPPLER ANEMOMETER





6. ULTRASONIC FLOW METER







6) ULTRASONIC FLOW METER

1. TRAVEL TIME DIFFERENCE METHOD





2. FREQUENCY DIFFERENCE METHOD







2. FREQUENCY DIFFERENCE METHOD


END OF MID-1 SYLLABUS



MEASUREMENT OF SPEED:

- In this we study
- Mechanical Tachometers
- Electrical tachometers
 - Stroboscope,
 - Noncontact type of tachometer

TACHOMETER:



 TACHOMETER: An instrument used to measure angular velocity of shaft by registering, the number of rotations during the period of contact, or by indicating directly the number of rotations per minute.



MECHANICAL TACHOMETRS

- 1. Hand speed indicator
 - i. revolution counter & timer
 - ii. Tachoscope tachometer
 - iii. Hand speed indicator
- 2. Centrifugal force tachometer
- 3. Vibrating read tachometer
- 4. slipping clutch tachometer



- 1 Drag cup tachometer(eddy current)
- 2 Tacho generators
 - i. DC tachometer generator
 - ii. Ac tachometer generator
- **3. Commutated capacitor tachometer**
- 4. Contactless tachometer (non-contact type)
 - i. Inductive pickup tachometer
 - ii. capacitive type pickup tachometer
 - iii. Photo electric tachometer
 - iv. Stroboscope

1.1 REVOLUTION COUNTER





1.2 TACHOSCOPE





1.3 HAND SPEED INDICATOR





2 CENTRIFUGAL FORCE TACHOMETER (FLY BALL TACHOMETER)



3 VABRATING REED TACHOMETER:





4. SLIPPING CLUTCH TACHOMETER





2.1 DRAG CUP TACHOMETER (EDDY CURRENT TACHOMETER)



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2.2 TACHO GENERATOR



2.2.1 AC TACHOMETER GENERATOR





2.2 DC TACHOMETER GENERATOR



2.3 COMMUTATED CAPACITOR TACHOMETER





CONTACTLESS TACHOMETER (NON-CONTACT TYPE) TACHMETER 2.4.1 INDUCTIVE PICKUP TACHOMETER





CONTACTLESS TACHOMETER (NON-CONTACT TYPE) TACHMETER









2.4.3.1 PHOTO ELECTRIC PICK-UP TACHOMETER





2.4.3 PHOTO ELECTRIC TACHOMETER

2.4.3.2 ROTATING PHOTO-ELECTRIC TACHOMETER



MECHANICAL DISK-TYPE STROBOSCOPE





ELECTRICAL STROBOSCOPE



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VIBRATION



- Vibration: vibration refers to the repeated cyclic oscillations of a system. The oscillatory motions may be simple harmonic (sinsusoidal) or complex (nonsinusoidal).
- vibration: if the displacement –time variation is of a generally continuous form with some degree of repetitive nature, it is thought of being a vibration.



- temperature. For example a 10° c increase in temperature of a ball bearing is said to Abnormal vibrations in machine cause accelerated wear. Even a small in-significant increase in the level of vibration causes a sharp increase in bearing wear as result of raising reduce the service life of bearing by half.
- Vibrations in peripheral machine parts can cause permanent damage attributable to fatigue in welds and bolted joints.
- Increased vibrations levels in a machine will lead to operational difficulties sooner



- Imbalance of machine
- Resonances : occurs when the speed of machinery equals to its natural frequency of vibration. This can be eliminated by decreasing or increasing the mass or the spring constant.
- Misalignment.
- Mechanical & electrical asymmetry
- Use of wrong ball bearing

FOR LINEAR MOTION:

- Oisplacement = S= f(t)
- Velocity = V = ds/dt
- Acceleration = a= dv/dt = d²t/ dt²

linear jerk = da/dt

FOR ANGULAR MOTION:

- Angular displacement = Θ = g(t)
- Angular velocity = $\Omega = d \Theta/dt$
- Angular acceleration = $\alpha = d\Omega/dt = d^{2t}/dt^2$
 - Angular Jerk = $d\alpha/dt$





- Vibrometer: A vibrometer is a device used for measurement of vibrations.
- Accelerometer: A accelerometer is a device used for measurement of acceleration.



ELEMENTARY VIBROMETERS:

1. Vibration wedge:



ELEMENTARY VIBROMETERS



ii. Cantilever or Reed type vibrometer:





i. Acceleration level indicator:



ELEMENTARY ACCELEROMETERS





TYPES OF ACCELEROMETERS USED FOR MEASUREMENT

- i. Piezo- ellectric type accelerometer ii. Seismic type accelerometer
- I. Piezo ellectric type accelerometer:





SIESMIC ACCELEROMETER (DISPLACEMENT SENSING)



TRANSDUCERS USED FOR MEASUREMENT OF SEISMIC INSTRUMENTS OUTPUT



- I. Strain gauge accelerometer
- **II.** Variable resistance vibration sensor
- **III.** Piezo-electric accelerometer'
- IV. LVDT accelerometer
- v. Capacitive vibration sensor
- **VI.** Inductive vibration sensor

I. STRAIN GAUGE ACCELEROMETER









II. PIEZO-ELECTRIC ACCELEROMETER






III. LVDT ACCELEROMETER



iv. CAPACITY SENSOR (CAPACITY ACCELEROMETER)



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iv. CAPACITY SENSOR (CAPACITY ACCELEROMETER)







V. VARIABLE INDUCTION TYPE ACCELEROMETER



UNIT-IV



STRESS & STRAIN MEASUREMENTS:

Various types of stress and strain measurements electrical strain gauge - gauge factor - method of usage of resistance strain gauge for bending, compressive and tensile strains - usage for measuring torque, Strain gauge Rosettes.

Strain gauge



- A strain gauge is a strain transducer, ie., device for measuring dimensional changes on the surface of a structural member under test.
- **Importance of strain measurement:**
- **1.** As a means of determining maxi. stress values
- To avoid the use of large factor of safety in the design of aircraft, automatic control equipment due to mass/inertia considerations.
- 3. For experimental verification of strain in complex physical systems.



I: Mechanical Strain gauges (Extensometers)

II. Electrical strain gauges: mechanical strain gauges are replaced with electrical strain gauges. Te capability to measure dynamic conditions at very frequncies.

III. photo-elastic



While designing any strain gauge the following points are need to be considered for an accurate measure of strain

- i. Extremely small size and negligible mass
- ii. Simple and easy attachment to the specimen under test
- iii. High speed of response.
- iv. High sensitivity in the direction of measured strain.
- v. Capability to indicate static, dynamic strain.
- vi. In sensitive to ambient conditions (temp, humidity, vibration)
- vii. Inexpensive.
- viii. Availability in various types & sizes.
- All above are fulfilled by the bonded resistance strain gauges.



- Applications: used to measure force, pressure, acceleration, torque.
- Measurement at remote location is possible.
- Used in control engineering applications.
- Advantages:
- it has all the requirements shown above.
- i. smallExtremely small size and negligible mass
- ii. Simple and easy attachment to the specimen under test
- iii. High speed of response.
- iv. High sensitivity in the direction of measured strain.
- v. Capability to indicate static, dynamic strain.



1. Grid type strain gauge





FOIL TYPE STRAIN GAUGE



SEMICONDUCTOR GAUGE OR PIEZO-RESISTIVE GAUGES



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Selection and installation factors for bonded metallic strain gauges (Factors influencing metallic gauge characteristics and application)

- 1. Grid material & construction.
- 2. Backing material
- 3. Bonding material
- 4. Gauge protection.
- 5. Gauge configuration



STRAIN GAUGE BRIDGE CIRCUIT FOR STRAIN MEASUREMENT 1) balanced (null) condition :how to measure strain





QUARTER BRIDGE (finding strain using one strain gauge)





b. Half bridge (when two gauges are used for strain measurement)





Full bridge (when four gauges are used for strain measurement)



STRAIN GAUGE TORSION METER







MULTIPLE-GRID ROSSETS





MEASUREMENT OF HUMIDITY

- measurement of humidity.
- moisture content in the gases
- sling psychrometer
- absorption psychrometer
- o dew point meter



Importance of humidity measurement & control

- If for human comforts.
- Requirement of low humidity to prevent withering of food products and spoilage of dried eggs or dried milk.
- Requirement of low humidity to prevent dry-out and cracking of leather, mildewing of canvas and leather
- Protection of cargoes on ships from condensation damage.
- Requisite moisture conditions for drying process.



PSYCHROMETRIC CHARTS



CLASSIFICATION OF INSTRUMENTS USED TO MEASURE MOISTURE AND HUMIDITY

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- **1. Sling psychrometer**
- 2. Gravimetric hygrometer
- **3. Absorption hygrometer**
 - a. Mechanical humidity sensing absorption hygrometer
 - **b.** Electrical humidity sensing absorption hygrometer
- 4. Resistive hygrometers
- 5. Capacitive hygrometers
- 6. Microwave refracto meter
- 7. Crystal hygrometer
- 8. Aluminum oxide hygrometer



RECORDING TYPE WET AND DRY BULB PSYCHROMETER



ABSORPTION HYGROMETER



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ELECTRICAL HUMIDITY SENSING ABSORPTION HYGROMETER





DEW POINT METER(INDUSTRIAL TYPE)



ELECTRICAL METHOD FOR MOISTURE DETERMINATION









- MEASUREMENT OF FORCE, TORQUE AND POWER
- ELASTIC FORCE METERS, LOAD CELLS, TORSION METERS, DYNAMOMETERS

- Scales and balances: Balancing the force against a known gravitational force on standard mass.
- Hydraulic and pneumatic load cells: translating the force to fluid pressure and then measuring the resulting pressure.
- Proving ring : Applying the force to some elastic member and then measuring the resulting deflection.
- Applying the force to known mass and then measuring the resulting acceleration.
- Selancing the force against a magnetic force developed by interaction of a magnet and current carrying coil.



1a) Equal arm beam balance:





1b) Un-equal arm beam balance:





1c) Pendulum scale:





Elastic force meters:



PROVING RING





Mechanical Load Cell



4a. Hydraulic load cell:


MECHANICAL LOAD CELL



4b. Pneumatic load cell:



MECHANICAL LOAD CELL



4c. Strain gauge load cell:



- 1) Gravimetric method
- 2) Torque measurement of rotating machines
- 3) Mechanical torsion meter
- 4) Optical torsion meter
- 5) Electrical torsion meter
- 6) Strain gauge torsion meter

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1) Gravimetric method:





2) Torque measurement of rotating machines



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3) Mechanical torsion meter



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4) Optical torsion meter:





5) Electrical torsion meter





6) Strain gauge torsion meter:



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- i. Absorption dynamometers
- ii. Transmission dynamometers
- iii. Driving dynamometers



- The device in which the energy is converted into heat by friction whilst being measured. The heat is dissipated to the surroundings where it generally serves no useful purpose. Absorption dynamometers are used when the test-machine is a power generator such as an engine, turbine and an electric motor.
- Examples of absorption dynamometers are
- Ia. Mechanical brakes
- a.1 block type prony brake
- a.2 band type prony brake
- a.3 rope brake
- Ib. Hydraulic or fluid friction brake
- 1c. Eddy current dynamometers

Mechanical brakes



• a.1. block type prony brake



Mechanical brakes



• a.2: Band type prony brake :



Mechanical brakes



a.3: Rope brake dynamometer:



Hydraulic or fluid friction Dynamometer





Eddy current dynamometer



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ELECTRIC MOTOR-GENERATOR DYNAMOMETER



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ELEMNTS OF CONTROL SYSTEMS

 Introduction, importance, Classification-open and closed systems, Servomechanisms- Examples with block diagrams-Temperature, speed and position control systems

SYSTEM



An assemblage of devices and components connected or related by some form of regular interaction or interdependence to form an organised whole and perform specified tasks. The system produces an output corresponding to a given input.

SOME EXAMPLES OF SYSTEM



- Thermometer and the mass-spring damper system can be classified as systems.
- The thermometer has the input x= θ (temperature) and the output y = I (length of the mercury column in the capillary).
- In the mass spring arrangement, the force and the position of the mass constitute the input t and output from the system, respectively.

CONTROL SYSTEMS- EXAMPLE



A THERMAL SYSTEM





i) open loop system

(Unmonitored control system)



ii) closed loop system

CLASSIFICATION OF CONTROL SYSTEM ..contd.



2. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM

(Monitored control system)





EX.: The control of the thermal system





- The closed loop systems listed above involve a continuous manual control by human operators and are classified as manual feed back or manual closedloop systems.
- Manually controlled system.

MANUAL CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM (MANUAL FEED BACK SYSTEM)



Ex.: Manually controlled thermal system.





- Automatic control system: A close-loop system operating without human is called as automatic control system.
- The automatic systems are the one controlled automatically (ie., not manually). One among the automatic control systems is the feedback controlled thermal system. In this the human operator has been replaced by an automatic controller.

AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEM - EXAMPLES



Ex.: THERMAL SYSTEM : automatic feedback control





- Process, Plant, Controlled system (g₂): a body , process or machine of which a particular quantity or condition is to be controlled, eg., a furnace , reactor or a spacecraft, etc.
- Controlled variable (c): the quality or condition (temperature, level, flow rate etc)characterising a process whose value is held constant by controller or is changed according to certain law.
- Controlled medium: the process material in the controlled system or flowing through it in which the variable is to be controlled.
- Command: an input that is established or varied by some means external to and independent of the feedback control system.
- Manipulated variable (m): the quality or condition that is varies as a function of the actuating signal so as to change the value of the control element (g₁).
- Actuating signal (e): an algebraic sum of the reference input 'r' and the primary feedback 'b'. The actuating signal is also called the error or control action.



- Primary feed-back signal (b): a function f the controlled output 'c', which is compared with the reference input to obtain the actuating signal.
- Error-detector: an element that detects the feedback: essentially it is a summing point which gives the algebraic summation of two or more signals. The direction of flow of information is indicated by arrows and the algebraic nature of summation by plus or minus sign.

CONTROL SYSTEMS TERMINOLOGY .. Contd.



- **Disturbance (u):** an undesirable variable applied to the system which tends affect adversely the value of the variable being controlled. The process disturbance may be due to changes in set point, supply, demand, environmental and other associated variables.
- Feed-back element (h): an element of the feed-back control system that establishes a functional relationship between the controlled variable 'c' and the feedback signal 'b'.
- Control element (g₁): an element that is required to generate the appropriate control signal (manipulated variable) 'm' applied to the plant.
- Forward and backward paths: the transmission path from the actuating signal 'e' to to the controlled output 'c' constitutes the forward path. The backward path is the transmission path from the controlled output 'c' to the primary feed-back signal 'b'.

NEGATIVE FEEDBACK SIGNAL



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POSITIVE FEEDBACK SYSTEM



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• A servomechanism: is an automatic control system in which the controlled variable is mechanical position (displacement, or a time derivative f displacement such as velocity and acceleration. The output is designed to follow a continuously changing input or desired variable (demand signal). The servomechanisms are inherently fast acting (small lag with response time in the order of time milliseconds) and usually employ electric or hydraulic actuation.

POSITION CONTROL SYSTEM WITH SERVOMECHANISM:



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