

2056
B.E. (Electronics and Communication Engineering)
Eighth Semester
EC-814: MEMS and Microsystems

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Unit.

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1. Answer the following:-

- a) Differentiate between sensors and actuators in MEMS.
- b) What is bulk micromachining?
- c) Define aspect ratio in microfabrication.
- d) What are smart materials? Give their applications.
- e) Give the significance of thin films in MEMS devices? (5x2)

UNIT - I

- 2. (a) Explain thermal actuation in MEMS devices and compare it with electrostatic actuation.
(b) Discuss the impact of scaling on mechanical stress and heat dissipation in microdevices. (2x5)
- 3. (a) Describe different wafer-level packaging techniques used in MEMS.
(b) Explain the working principle and applications of infrared (IR) sensors. (2x5)
- 4. (a) Discuss different types of bonding techniques (anodic, fusion, adhesive) used in MEMS fabrication.
(b) Explain the principle, construction, and applications of ultrasonic sensors. (2x5)

UNIT - II

- 5. (a) Differentiate between dry etching and wet etching with suitable examples.
(b) Explain the importance of simulation and modeling in microsystem design. (2x5)
- 6. Write a note on:
(a) Design for manufacturability (DFM) in MEMS fabrication.
(b) Surface micromachining process and its applications. (2x5)
- 7. (a) Explain the concept of thin film deposition and describe any one deposition technique.
(b) Discuss the importance of packaging in MEMS devices and its challenges. (2x5)

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