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INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL

MODULE NO: EEE5011

Date: Monday 20th May 2019

Time: 10:00am – 12:30pm

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

There are **FIVE** questions.

Answer **ANY FOUR** questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

Marks for parts of questions are shown in brackets.

CANDIDATES REQUIRE :

Formula Sheet (attached)

Q1.

(a) A robot control system has the transfer function as:

$$G(s) = \frac{12}{2s + 4}$$

And the system is subject to a unit step input

(i) Calculate the time taken for the system to reach 75% of its final position. **[4 marks]**

(ii) Calculate the percentage of the system's position after 1.3 seconds, and determine its position value at that time (1.3 seconds). **[6 marks]**

(b) Figure Q1 (b) is a block diagram for a servo control system.

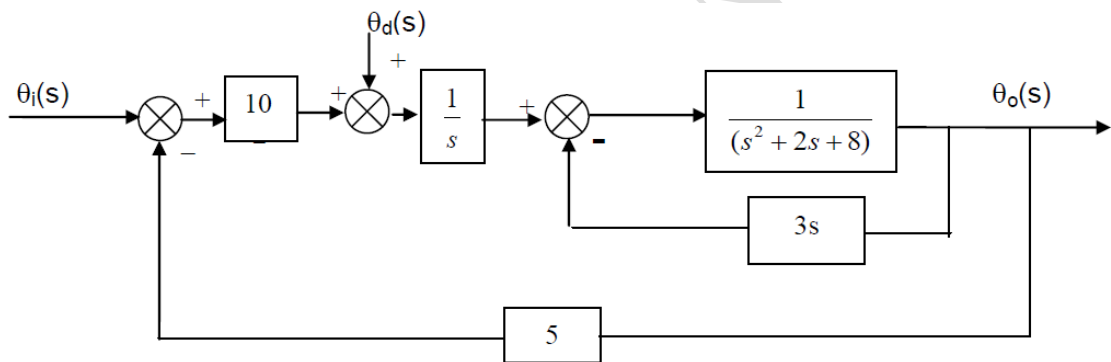


Figure Q1 (b) A Servo Control System.

(i) Determine the output $\theta_o(s)$ of the servo control system. **[9 marks]**

(ii) If the system input $\theta_i(s)$ is a unit step input and the disturbance $\theta_d(s)$ is zero, determine the steady-state error. **[6 marks]**

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Q2

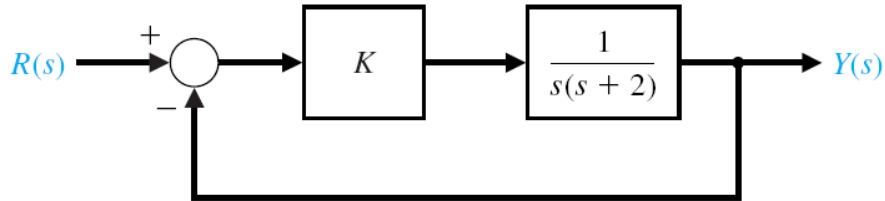


Figure Q2 (a) A car suspension system Control System.

(a) A block diagram of car suspension system is shown as in Figure Q2 (a), where, $K=9$, $Y(s)$ is the output and $R(s)$ is the input.

- (i) Find the differential equation of this system. **[6 marks]**
- (ii) Find the damping factor. **[2 marks]**
- (iii) Find the damped frequency. **[2 marks]**
- (iv) Find the subsidence ratio. **[2 marks]**

(b) Apply Routh-Hurwitz stability criterion to determine the range of values of K for a human-arm control system with the transfer function of $T(s)$ which will result in a stable response.

$$T(s) = \frac{\theta_o(s)}{\theta_i(s)} = \frac{s+1}{2s^3 + 5s^2 + 8s + K}$$

[7 marks]

(c) If the above system input $\theta_i(s)$ is a unit step and K is 10, determine the steady-state error. **[6 marks]**

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Q3

(a) A RLC circuit is shown in Figure 3(a) below.

where

C is the Capacitance, L is the Inductance,

R is Resistance, $i(t)$ is the current and $v(t)$ is voltage.

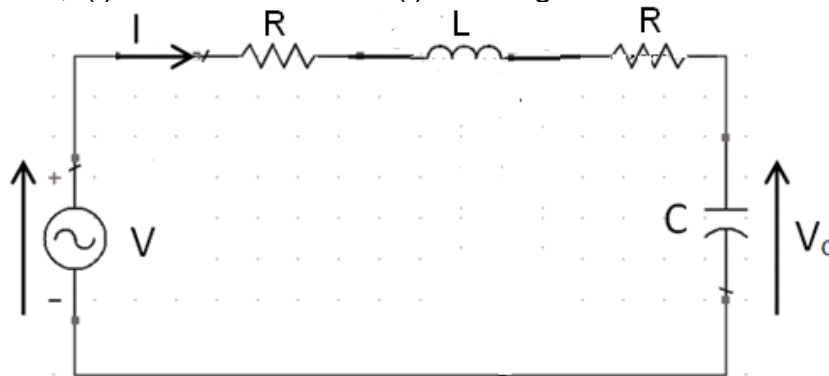


Figure 3(a): RLC electrical circuit

- (i) Develop a differential equation for the RLC electrical circuit shown in Figure 3(a) above.

[8 marks]

- (ii) Determine the Laplace transforms of the differential equations obtained from (i) above. Assume that the system is subjected to a unit step input, the initial conditions of the system are zeros (i.e. at time = 0, x , x' , x'' are all zeros).

[2 marks]

- (iii) Determine the transfer function $G(s) = V_c(s)/V(s)$

[2 marks]

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(b) A suspension system for a scooter is shown in Figure 3(b) where

$f(t)$ is the input force
 $y_1(t)$ and $y_2(t)$ represents the output displacements.
 k_1 and k_2 are the spring stiffness constants.
 c_1 and c_2 are the viscous damping coefficient.

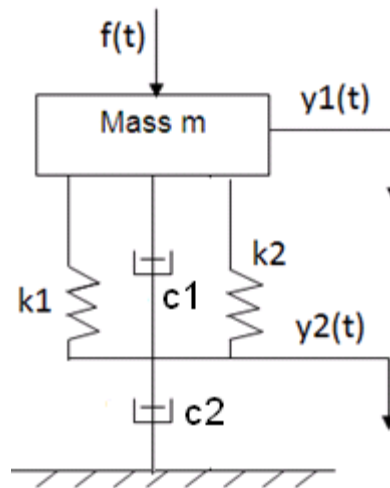


Figure 3(b) A suspension System

- (i) Develop the differential equations for the suspension system [3 marks]
- (ii) Determine the Laplace transforms of the differential equations obtained from (i) above. Assume that the system is subjected to a unit step input, $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(0) = 0$. [6 marks]
- (iii) Determine the transfer function $G(s) = Y_1(s)/F(s)$ [4 marks]

Total 25 marks

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Q4

Figure Q4 shows a mechatronic control system, in which the

$$G_p(s) = \frac{2}{10s^2 + 3s}$$

and a controller $G_c(s)$ is applied into the system.

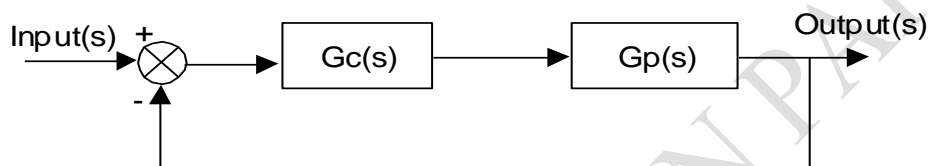


Figure Q4 A Mechatronic Control System

- (a) If a PI controller is used ($K_d = 0$), determine the integral gain K_i causing the system's steady state error to be less than 0.05. The input of the system is a unit parabolic input function ($\theta_i = \frac{1}{s^3}$).

[5 marks]

- (b) Use K_i obtained from Question (a) above, design a PID controller that will meet the system design specifications:

Settling time $t_s < 5$ seconds and
 Percentage Overshoot $PO < 10\%$.

Determine K_P and K_d .

[10 marks]

- (c) If a velocity feedback is introduced into the system of the Figure Q4 and the G_c is a Proportional controller ($K_i = K_d = 0$):

- (i) Draw a block diagram with the velocity feedback and determine the transfer function for the whole system.

[5 marks]

- (ii) Determine the velocity gain K_v for the natural angular frequency ω_n is 1.6 rads/s, and the damping ratio ζ' is about 0.8, when the system subjects to a unit step input.

[5 marks]

Total 25 marks

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Q5.

(a) Describe briefly the function of each one of the following in a generalized medical instrumentation system:

- (i) Sensor
- (ii) Transducer
- (iii) Signal conditioning circuit

[6 marks]

(b) What are the four types of biomedical measurands ?

[4 marks]

(c) The DC Wheatstone Bridge is used in medical sensor applications. Describe its operation with the aid of the circuit diagram. Also derive a formula for measured unknown resistance of the bridge.

[15 marks]

Total 25 marks

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FORMULA SHEET

Block Diagram Algebra

Rule	Original Diagram	Equivalent Diagram
1. Moving a summing point beyond a block		
2. Moving a summing point in front a block		
3. Moving a takeoff point to front of a block		
4. Moving a takeoff point to beyond a block		

Blocks with feedback loop

$$G(s) = \frac{Go(s)}{1 + Go(s)H(s)} \text{ (for a negative feedback)}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{Go(s)}{1 - Go(s)H(s)} \text{ (for a positive feedback)}$$

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Steady-State Errors

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s(1 - G_o(s))\theta_i(s)] \text{ (for an open-loop system)}$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s \frac{1}{1 + G_o(s)} \theta_i(s)] \text{ (for the closed-loop system with a unity feedback)}$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [s \frac{1}{1 + \frac{G_1(s)}{1 + G_1(s)[H(s) - 1]}} \theta_i(s)] \text{ (if the feedback } H(s) \neq 1)$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} [-s \cdot \frac{G_2(s)}{1 + G_2(G_1(s) + 1)} \cdot \theta_d] \text{ (if the system subjects to a disturbance input)}$$

Laplace Transforms

A unit impulse function	1
A unit step function	$\frac{1}{s}$
A unit ramp function	$\frac{1}{s^2}$

First order Systems

$$G(s) = \frac{\theta_o}{\theta_i} = \frac{G_{ss}(s)}{\tau s + 1}$$

$$\tau \left(\frac{d\theta_o}{dt} \right) + \theta_o = G_{ss} \theta_i$$

$$\theta_o = G_{ss} (1 - e^{-t/\tau}) \text{ (for a unit step input)}$$

$$\theta_o(t) = G_{ss} [t - \tau(1 - e^{-(t/\tau)})] \text{ (for a unit ramp input)}$$

$$\theta_o(t) = G_{ss} \left(\frac{1}{\tau} \right) e^{-(t/\tau)} \text{ (for an impulse input)}$$

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First order System (non-zero initial condition)

$$\theta_{o(\text{total})}(t) = \theta_{o(\text{final})} + \theta_{o(\text{initial})}(t)$$

Where $\theta_{o(\text{initial})}(t) = \theta_o(0) [e^{-(t/\tau)}]$

Second order Systems

$$\frac{d^2\theta_o}{dt^2} + 2\zeta\omega_n \frac{d\theta_o}{dt} + \omega_n^2\theta_o = b_o\omega_n^2\theta_i$$

$$G(s) = \frac{\theta_o(s)}{\theta_i(s)} = \frac{b_o\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

$$\omega_{dtr} = 1/2\pi \quad \omega_{dtp} = \pi$$

$$\text{Percentage Overshoot (P.O)} = \exp\left(\frac{-\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right) \times 100\%$$

$$\text{For 2\% settling time: } t_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

$$\text{For 5\% settling time: } t_s = \frac{3}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

$$\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$$

$$\text{Subsidence ratio: } = e^{\left(\frac{-2\zeta\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right)}$$

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