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**SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**

**BENG MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

**SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION 2023-24**

**THERMOFLUIDS AND CONTROL SYSTEMS**

**MODULE NO: AME5013**

Date: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Time: 2:00 – 4:00pm

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

There are SIX questions.

Answer ANY FOUR questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

Marks for parts of questions are shown in brackets.

This examination paper carries a total of 100 marks.

All working must be shown. A numerical solution to a question obtained by programming an electronic calculator will not be accepted.

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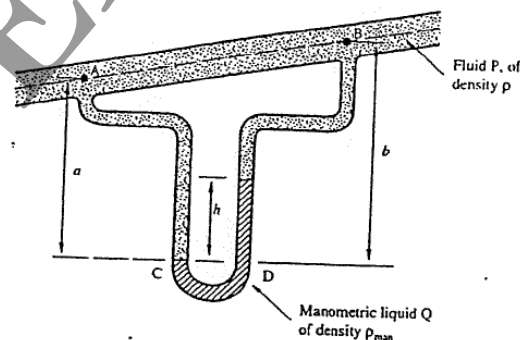
**QUESTION 1**

a) Briefly explain what you understand by volume flow rate and the continuity equation? [4 Marks]

b) What depth of oil, with a specific gravity of 0.8, will generate a pressure of  $120 \frac{kN}{m^2}$ ? What would be the equivalent depth of water to produce the same pressure? [8 Marks]

c) A U-tube manometer is set up as depicted in figure Q1c to gauge the pressure disparity between two points, A and B, in a water-conveying pipeline with a density of  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ . The density of the manometric liquid, Q, is  $13600 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , and point B is situated 0.3 m higher than point A. Determine the pressure difference when  $h = 0.7 \text{ m}$ . [13 Marks]

[Total: 25 Marks]



**Figure Q1(c):** U-Tube manometer connected to water-conveying pipeline

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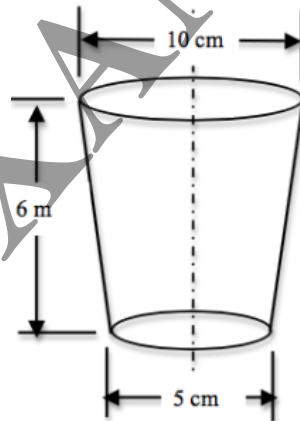
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**QUESTION 2**

a) Water (density =  $1000 \text{ kg / m}^3$ ) is in steady motion in a pipe inclined downwards, at the upper end A the pipe is 100 mm in diameter and the pressure as shown by a gauge is 55 kPa. At B which is 3m below A the diameter is 62.5 mm and pressure is 35 kPa. Determine the volume flow rate.

**[13 Marks]**

b) Water (density =  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ) is flowing down a vertical tapering pipe 6 m long as shown in Figure Q2(b). The diameters of the pipe at the top and the bottom sections are 10 cm and 5 cm respectively. If the discharge through the pipe is 100 litre/s. Find the difference of pressure between the top and bottom ends of the pipe.

**[12 Marks]****[Total: 25 Marks]**

**Figure Q2(b):** Vertical tapered pipe

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**QUESTION 3**

a) The area under the curve on a p-v diagram represents the work done during a polytropic process governed by the equation  $pv^n = c$ . Derive an equation for the work done during this polytropic process

**[15 Marks]**

b) During actual expansion and compression processes in piston-cylinder devices, gases have been observed to satisfy the relationship  $pv^n = c$ . Let's calculate the work done when a gas expands from a state of 100 kPa and 0.05 m<sup>3</sup> to a final volume of 0.3 m<sup>3</sup> for the case where n=1.2.

**[10 Marks]**

**[Total: 25 Marks]**

**QUESTION 4**

a) Compare and contrast first-order and second-order systems. Provide examples illustrating the differences between these two types of systems.

**[5 Marks]**

b) Explain how variations in system parameters such as damping ratio and natural frequency affect its dynamic behaviour and performance.

**[5 Marks]**

c) Define the following:

- I. Zero-order system
- II. First-order system
- III. Second-order system

Give examples of each of the systems above and write out the general form of a first and second-order system.

**[5 Marks]**

d) The step response of a 1<sup>st</sup> order system is given below as  $c(t) = 50(1 - e^{-0.5t})$ ,  $t \geq 0$

Find:

- (i) Time constant,  $\tau$
- (ii) D.C Gain, K
- (iii) Transfer function, G(s)

**[10 Marks]**

**[Total: 25 Marks]**

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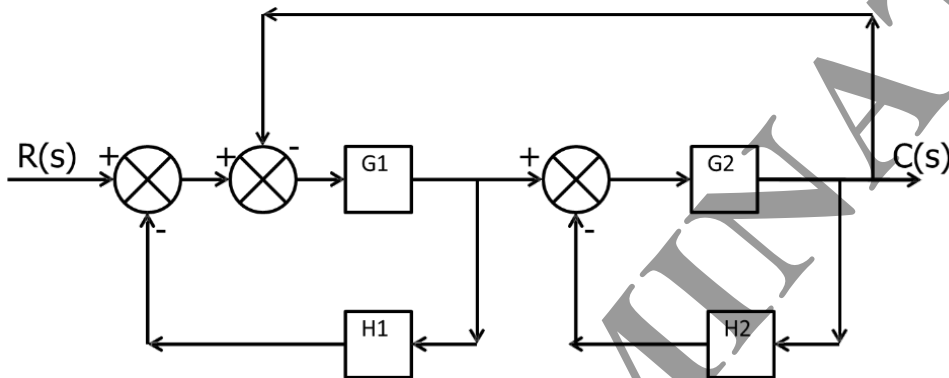
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**QUESTION 5**

a) Describe the fundamental components that make up any closed loop control system. Give examples of each of these components in real life systems.

[5 marks]

b) Simplify the block diagram below and write out the effective transfer function.



[10 marks]

c) Given that the closed loop Transfer Function of the control system of the Heat control unit in the boiler room in University of Bolton.

$$G(s) = \frac{2000}{20s^2 + 160s + 2000}$$

Find the following

- I. Peak time,  $T_p$
- II. %OS,
- III. Settling time,  $T_s$
- IV. Rise time,  $T_r$
- V. Determine the nature of the damping and draw the pole locations.

[10 marks]

[Total Marks: 25]

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**QUESTION 6**

a) Define the following;

- I. Stable system
- II. Unstable system
- III. Steady state error

**[5 marks]**b) Find the values of controller gain  $K_c$  that make the feedback control system of the following transfer function stable.

$$T(s) = \frac{K_c}{s^2 + 2s + 3 + K_c}$$

**[10 marks]**c) Consider a closed-loop control system with a transfer function  $G(s)$  given by:

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+2)}$$

Determine the steady-state error when the system is subjected to a unit step input ( $r(t)=1$ )**[10 marks]****[Total Marks: 25]****END OF QUESTIONS****FORMULA SHEET FOLLOWS ON NEXT PAGE**

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**Thermofluids Formula Sheet**

$$P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 + \rho g h_1 = P_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2 + \rho g h_2$$

$$p = \rho g h$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho v d}{\mu}$$

$$A_1 V_1 = A_2 V_2$$

$$SPG = \frac{\rho_{fluid}}{\rho_{water}}$$

$$Q = VA$$

$$P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$pv^n = c$$

$$P_{abs} = P_G + P_{atm}$$

$$W = \frac{P_1 V_1 - P_2 V_2}{n - 1}$$

$$W = P_1 V_1 \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$$

$$W = nRT \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$$

$$W = P(V_2 - V_1)$$

$$Q = C_d A \sqrt{2gh}$$

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{2(\rho_w - \rho_a)gh}{\rho_a}}$$

$$P_s = P_0 + \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2$$

$$W = \int P dv$$

$$F = \rho Q v$$

$$F = \rho Q (V_{fluid} - V_{plate})$$

$$F = \rho a v^2$$

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### Control Systems Formula Sheet

$$c(t) = K(1 - e^{-t/\tau}), \quad t \geq 0$$

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

The transient response has four distinct part identifiable

(a) Rise time,  $T_r = \frac{\pi - \theta}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}$

(b) Peak time,  $T_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}$

(c) Percentage maximum overshoot, %MP =  $e^{-(\zeta\pi/\sqrt{1-\zeta^2})} \times 100\%$

(d) Settling time (2% error),  $T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta\omega_n}$

□ Output of the first order system with a unit impulse input is

$$c(t) = K\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\right)e^{-(t/\tau)}$$

□ Output of the first order system with a unit step input is

$$c(t) = K[t - \tau(1 - e^{-(t/\tau)})]$$

□ Output of the first order system with a unit ramp input is

$$c(t) = K[1 - e^{-(t/\tau)}]$$

$$G(s) = \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{K}{\tau s + 1}$$

Steady state

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$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sE(s)$$

$$E(s) = \frac{1}{1 + G(s)} R(s)$$

$$E(s) = R(s) - C(s)$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sR(s)}{1 + G(s)}$$

According to the value of  $\zeta$ , a second-order system can be set into one of the four categories:

Overdamped - when the system has two real distinct poles ( $\zeta > 1$ ).

Underdamped - when the system has two complex conjugate poles ( $0 < \zeta < 1$ ).

Undamped - when the system has two imaginary poles ( $\zeta = 0$ ).

Critically damped - when the system has two real but equal poles ( $\zeta = 1$ ).

$$T.F. = \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s).H(s)}$$

**END OF FORMULA SHEET**

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