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SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

SCE 318 CONTROL SYSTEMS II

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TIME: 2.00 P.M – 4.00 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS

- (i) This paper contains **FIVE (5)** questions.
- (ii) Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions.

Question One

1. (a) With reference to **Fig Q.1 (a)** explain

- i) the differentiate between reference input $R_1(s)$ and disturbance input $R_2(s)$

[2marks]

- ii) the importance of the control action $U(s)$

[2marks]

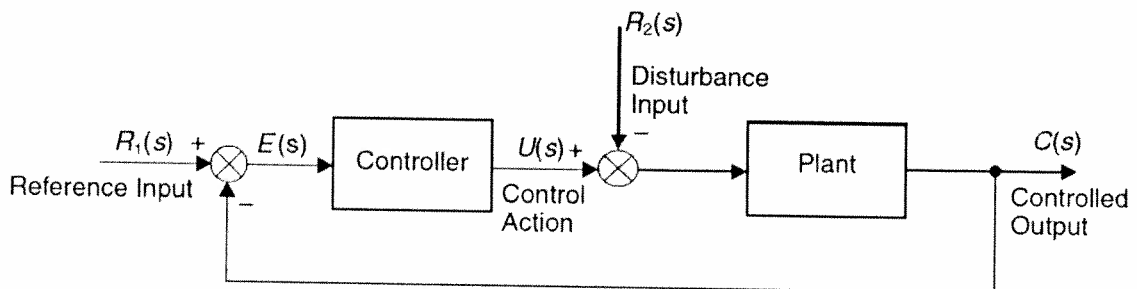


Fig Q.1 (a)

- (b) Given a proportional controller with a proportional gain constant K_1 and a plant with first order dynamics of the form $G(s) = \frac{K}{1 + Ts}$ in **Fig Q.1(a)** above, show that when $r_1(t)$ is a unit step and $r_2(t)$ is zero, the steady state response is given by;

[5marks]

$$c(t) = \left(\frac{K_1 K}{1 + K_1 K} \right) \Big|_{t \rightarrow \infty}$$

(c) In Q.1 (b) above explain the condition for the system to have zero steady state error

[2 marks]

(d) State and explain the two Ziegler – Nichols methods of tuning PID controllers

[4 marks]

(e) Draw a pole region to satisfy a design problem having the following two specifications

i) Overshoot $\leq 5\%$

ii) Settling time of $\leq 9s$

[4marks]

(f) Define rise time and explain how one would choose poles in s - plane to achieve the shortest rise time.

[3 marks]

(g) In relation to the concept of dominant pole, explain the effect of introducing a pole to a second order system as shown below

[4marks]

$$G_o(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1.2s + 1) \left(1 + \frac{s}{a}\right)}$$

(h) Consider the system $G_o(s) = \frac{k(s+4)}{s^2 + (k+1)s + 4k-2}$. Explain the condition for $G_o(s)$;

To be stable

[2marks]

To have zero position error

[2marks]

Question Two

2. (a) Derive the control law of a proportional plus integral (PI) controller [3marks]

(b) A block diagram for a liquid level process control system is shown in Fig Q.2 (b).

The system parameters are

$$A = 2m^2$$

$$R_f = 15s/m^2$$

$$K_1 = 1$$

$$H_1 = 1V/m$$

$$K_v = 0.1m^3/sV$$

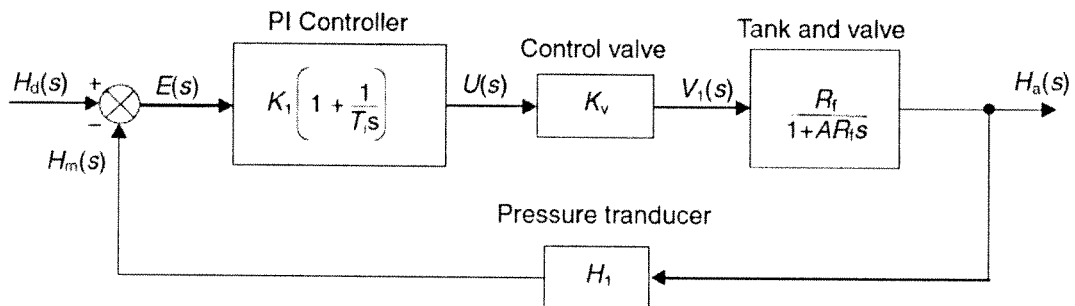


Fig Q.2 (b)

i) Find the values of the integral action time T_i and the damping ratio ξ when the undamped natural frequency ω_n is $0.1rad/s$.

[10marks]

- ii) Find an expression for the time response of the system when there is a step change of $h_d(t)$ from 0 to $4m$. Assume zero initial conditions. [7marks]

Question Three

3. (a) State the steps involved in the design using root locus method [4 marks]
 (b) Consider a plant with the transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{s+4}{(s+2)(s-1)}$$

Design (using the root locus of $1+kG(s)=0$ and the desired pole region) a system to meet the following specifications [16marks]

1. Position error $\leq 10\%$
2. Overshoot $\leq 5\%$
3. Settling time ≤ 4.5 sec
4. Rise time as small as possible

Question Four

4. (a) Differentiate between a *minimum phase* transfer function and a *non minimum phase* transfer function [4marks]
 (b) Derive the control law of a proportional plus integral plus derivative (PID) controller [3marks]
 (c) Derive the frequency response of a second order system [5marks]
 (d) Plot bode gain and bode phase plot of the transfer function below [8 marks]

$$G(s) = \frac{50s+100}{s(s^2+4s+100)}$$

Question Five

5. (a) Explain the following
- i) The concept of state [2 marks]
 - ii) State variables [1 marks]
 - iii) State space [1 marks]
 - iv) Phase plane [1 marks]
- (b) For the *RLC* network shown in **Fig Q.5 (b)** write down the state equations when the state variable are;
- i) $v_2(t)$ and $\dot{v}_2$ [4 marks]
 - ii) $v_2(t)$ and $i(t)$ [4 marks]

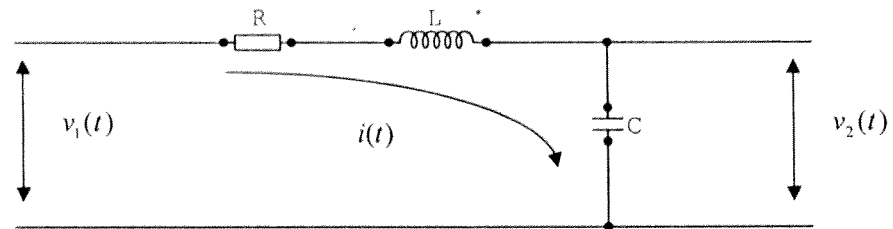


Fig Q.5(b)

(c) For the two mass system shown in Fig Q.5 (c) find the state and the output equation when the state variables are the position and velocity of each mass [7 marks]

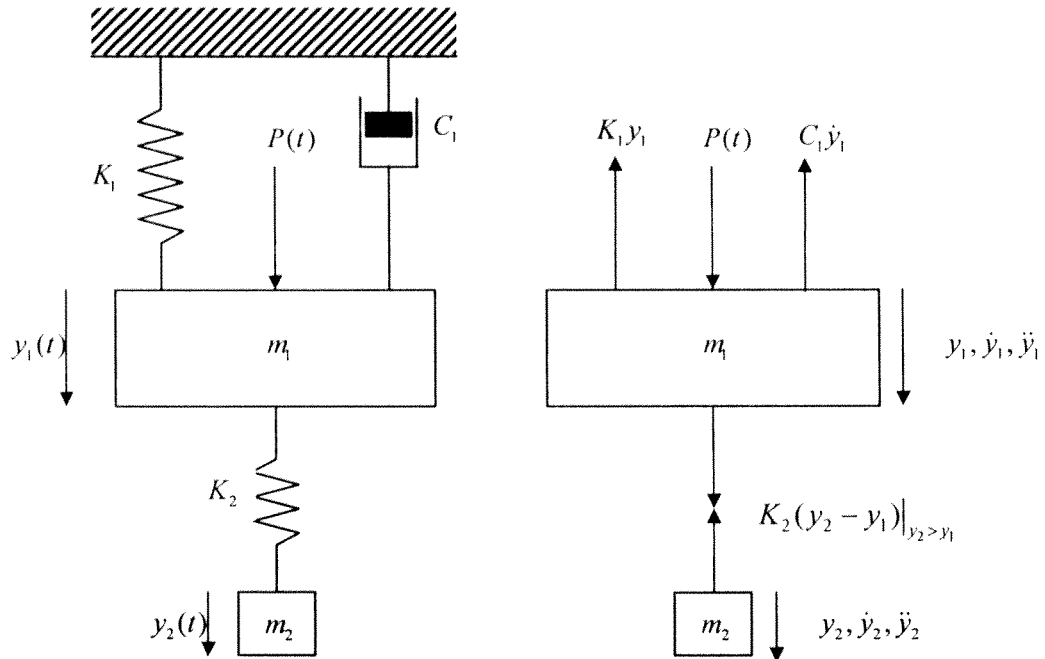


Fig Q.5 (c)

Table 1 Block diagram transform theorems

Transformation	Equation	Block diagram	Equivalent block diagram
1. Combining blocks in cascade	$Y = (G_1 G_2)X$		
2. Combining blocks in parallel; or eliminating a forward loop	$Y = G_1 X \pm G_2 X$		
3. Removing a block from a forward path	$Y = G_1 X \pm G_2 X$		
4. Eliminating a feedback loop	$Y = G_1(X \pm G_2 Y)$		
5. Removing a block from a feedback loop	$Y = G_1(X \pm G_2 Y)$		
6. Rearranging summing points	$Z = W \pm X \pm Y$		
7. Moving a summing point ahead of a block	$Z = GX \pm Y$		
8. Moving a summing point beyond a block	$Z = G(X \pm Y)$		
9. Moving a take-off point ahead of a block	$Y = GX$		
10. Moving a take-off point beyond a block	$Y = GX$		

Time function $f(t)$		Laplace transform $\mathcal{L}[f(t)]$	$F(s)$
1	unit impulse $\delta(t)$	1	
2	unit step 1	$1/s$	
3	unit ramp t	$1/s^2$	
4	t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$	
5	e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{(s + a)}$	
6	$1 - e^{-at}$	$\frac{a}{s(s + a)}$	
7	$\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	
8	$\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	
9	$e^{-at} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s + a)^2 + \omega^2}$	
10	$e^{-at} (\cos \omega t - \frac{a}{\omega} \sin \omega t)$	$\frac{s}{(s + a)^2 + \omega^2}$	

