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1. What is the **order** of the following transfer function?

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$$G(s) = \frac{s - 10}{s^2 + 2s + 1}$$

- ☐ This is the first order transfer function
- ☒ This is the second order transfer function
- ☐ This is the third order transfer function
- ☐ This is the fifth order transfer function
- ☐ None of the above

✔ Correct

Correct! This transfer function contains a first order numerator and a second order denominator. The order of the function is the highest exponent in the transfer function, so that this is the second order transfer function.

2. What are the **poles and zeros** of the following transfer function?

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$$G(s) = \frac{s^2 + 3s - 10}{s^2 - s - 12}$$

- ☒ The poles are -3 and 4; the zeros are 2 and -5
- ☐ The poles are -4 and 3; the zeros are 5 and -2
- ☐ The poles are 2 and -5; the zeros are -3 and 4
- ☐ The poles are 5 and -2; the zeros are -4 and 3
- ☐ None of the above

✔ Correct

Correct! The zeros of a system are the roots of the numerator, and the poles of a system are the roots of its denominator.

3. What might be your action as a system control engineer if you need to **increase the overshoot** of a control loop system? (Select all that apply)

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- ☐ Decrease K_I
- ☒ Decrease K_D

✔ Correct

Correct! Decreasing derivative gain leads to an increase of overshoot.

- ☒ Increase K_I

✔ Correct

Correct! Increasing integral gain leads to an increase of the overshoot.

- ☐ Decrease K_P
- ☒ Increase K_P

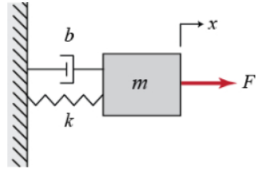
✔ Correct

Correct! Increasing proportional gain leads to an increase of the overshoot.

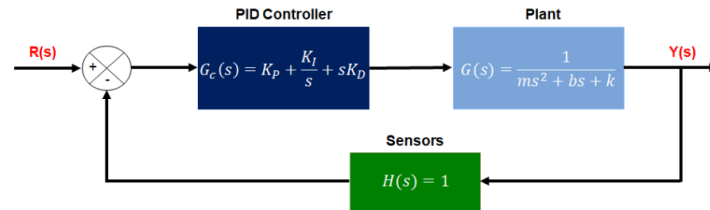
- ☐ Increase K_D

4. Recall the Mass-Spring-Damper System example from the video on PID Control. This system is shown in the figure below.

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As a system control engineer, you constructed the following closed loop transfer function to represent the Mass-Spring-Damper System. What is the **correct transfer function** for this closed loop?



☐ Transformation function 1

$$G(s) = \frac{K_D s^2 + sK_P + K_I}{K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s}$$

☐ Transformation function 2

$$G(s) = \frac{K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s}{K_D s^2 + sK_P + K_I}$$

☐ Transformation function 3

$$G(s) = \frac{ms^2 + bs + k + K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s}{K_P + \frac{K_I}{s} + K_D s}$$

☒ Transformation function 4

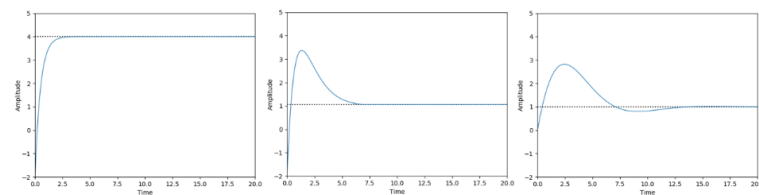
$$G(s) = \frac{K_D s^2 + sK_P + K_I}{ms^3 + (b + K_D)s^2 + (k + K_P)s + K_I}$$

☐ None of the above

✓ **Correct**
Correct!

5. You are given the step response of a few different PID controllers using the same gains for the same first order transfer function. **Determine a possible set of controllers** that generated these step responses:

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☐ 1st response by PI; 2nd response by PD; 3rd response by PID

☐ 1st response by PD; 2nd response by PI; 3rd response by PID

☐ 1st response by PI; 2nd response by PID; 3rd response by PD

☒ 1st response by PD; 2nd response by PID; 3rd response by PI

☐ None of the above

✓ Correct

Correct! Adding derivative control improves the step response in terms of overshoot and settling time, but slows down the rise time. Adding the integral term instead maintains a short rise time, and is able to reduce oscillation and overshoot, leading to a fast settling time as well. Adding both derivative and integral control terms brings the advantages of both these approaches.

6. What is the output of a typical output of a Longitudinal control module? (Select all that apply)

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☐ Reference velocity

☒ Throttle angle

✓ Correct

Correct! A longitudinal control module takes a reference velocity as an input and outputs throttle angle and brake pedal position.

☐ Steering angle

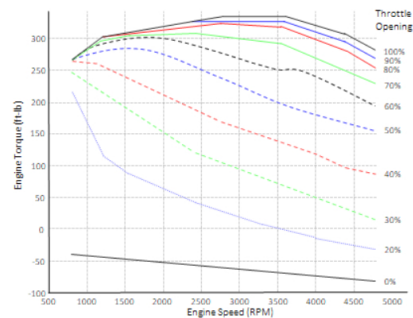
☒ Brake position

✓ Correct

Correct! A longitudinal control module takes reference velocity as an input and outputs throttle angle and brake pedal position.

7. Based on the engine map in the figure below, **determine the throttle angle** needed to produce 250 ft-lb of torque given that the current engine speed is 3500 RPM.

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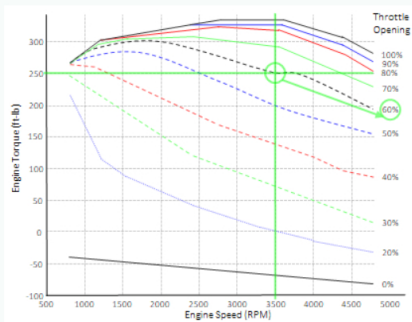


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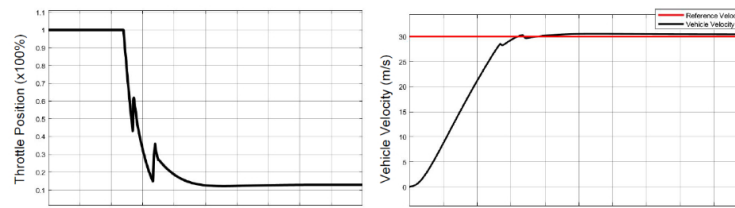
✓ Correct

Correct!



8. The results of a simulation of the control response to a step change in desired speed of a dynamic vehicle model with a PID controller are shown in the figures below. There are two spikes on these figures: one spike is between 2 and 3 seconds, another spike is between 3 and 4 seconds. **What is the reason of these spikes?**

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- ☐ Engine-transmission torque loss
- ☐ Tire slip
- ☒ Nonlinear engine map
- ☐ High level controller simplification: changing the integral to a summation over fixed length time steps in the Integral term
- ☐ None of the above

✓ Correct

Correct! These artefacts are caused by the engine map nonlinearities.

9. What type of **control system** is shown in the figure below?

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- ☐ Feedback control
- ☒ Feedforward control
- ☐ Feedback-feedforward control
- ☐ None of the above

✓ Correct

reference signal is directly fed into the feedforward controller, which generates the inputs to the plant.

10. What types of inaccuracies are corrected by a feedback controller?

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- ☒ Disturbances

✓ Correct

Correct! The feedback controller corrects for errors that result from disturbances.

- ☐ Nonlinear engine map
- ☒ Errors in the plant model

✓ Correct

Correct! The feedback controller corrects for errors that result from inaccuracies in the plant model.

- ☐ High level controller simplification: changing the integral to a summation over fixed length time steps in the Integral term

11. What assumptions are essential for creation of a **longitudinal feedforward input**? (Select all that apply)

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- ☒ The vehicle is at steady state

✓ Correct

Correct! Modelling feedforward block requires converting the entire longitudinal dynamics model into a fixed lookup table or reference map, that maps the reference velocity to the corresponding actuator signals assuming the vehicle is at steady state.

- ☐ The plant system is linear
- ☐ Torque from the engine passes directly to the transmission without loss
- ☐ The tire slip angle and ratio are negligible

12. What are the sources of the load torque considered for a **longitudinal feedforward look-up table computation**? (Select all that apply)

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- ☒ Gravitational resistance

✓

Correct! Gravitational resistance is a force acting opposite to the relative motion, so that it is a part of the load torque acting on the vehicle.

- ☐ Cornering force

- ☐ Sliding resistance
- ☐ Static friction
- ☒ Rolling resistance

✓ Correct

Correct! Rolling resistance is a force acting opposite to the relative motion, so that it is a part of the load torque acting on the vehicle.

- ☒ Aerodynamic resistance

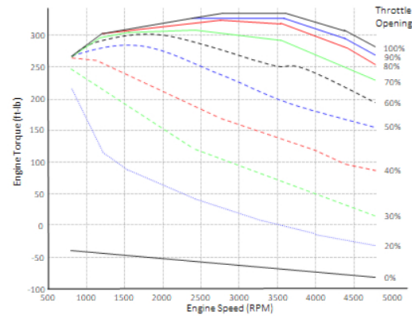
✓ Correct

Correct! Aerodynamic resistance is a force acting opposite to the relative motion, so that it is a part of the load torque acting on the vehicle.

13. A vehicle is being operated on a highway with the reference velocity of 126 km/h (35 m/s) in gear 4 and it overcomes the total load torque of 300 ft-lb. This vehicle specification includes effective wheel radius of 0.35 m and 4th gear ratio of 2. **What throttle angle** is required for maintaining the the current speed of the vehicle?

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Please use the below engine map for your computation.



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✓ Correct

Correct!

$$\omega_w = \frac{V_{ref}}{r_{eff}} = \frac{35[m/s]}{0.35[m]} = 100[1/s] = 100[hertz]$$

$$\omega_e = \frac{\omega_w}{GR} = \frac{100[hertz]}{2} = 50[hertz]$$

$$\omega_e = 50[1/s] \cdot 60[s/min] = 3000RPM$$

An intersection of $\omega_e = 3000[RPM]$ and $T_{engine} = 300[ft-lb]$ falls on the green line on the chart, where the green line defines the throttle angle of 70%.