

**ME 180 Digital Control/Dynamic System**  
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**Problem Set #1**

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## 1 Problem P2.9(b)

### Description

For each of the following transfer functions, write the corresponding differential equation.

Section (b)

$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{15}{(s+10)(s+11)}$$

### Solution

Rewrite the transfer function  $G(s) = X(s)/F(s)$  as  $F(s) = [1/G(s)]X(s)$ , which is:

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{15}(s^2 + 21s + 110)X(s)$$

Then:

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{15}s^2X(s) + \frac{7}{5}sX(s) + \frac{22}{3}X(s)$$

Take the inver laplace transform on both sides and ignore the initial value(set to zero):

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{15} \frac{d^2}{dt^2}x(t) + \frac{7}{5} \frac{d}{dt}x(t) + \frac{22}{3}x(t)$$

## 2 Problem P2.19(a)

### Description

Find the transfer function,  $G(s) = V_o(s)/V_i(s)$ , for each network shown in Figure. Solve the problem using mesh analysis.

Section (a) Circuit

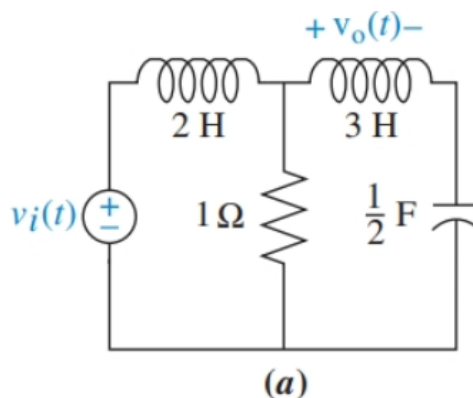
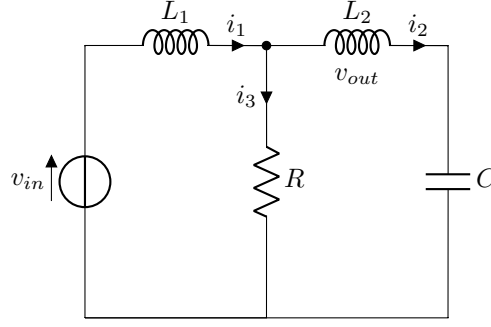


Figure 1: P2.19(a)

### Solution

The mesh equations are:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} I_1(s)(sL_1 + R) & - I_2(s)R & = V_{in} \\ -I_1(s)R & + I_2(s)(R + sL_2 + \frac{1}{sC}) & = 0 \end{array}$$



Then solve  $I_2(s)$  from the equation:

$$I_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} sL_1 + R & V_{in} \\ -R & 0 \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} sL_1 + R & -R \\ -R & R + sL_2 + \frac{1}{sC} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{sRC}{s^3(L_1L_2C) + s^2(L_1 + L_2)RC + sL_1 + R} V_{in}(s)$$

Then we can get:

$$V_{out}(s) = I_2(s)(sL_2) = \frac{s^2L_2RC}{s^3(L_1L_2C) + s^2(L_1 + L_2)RC + sL_1 + R} V_{in}(s)$$

Substitute the variables with the value above, then the transfer function is:

$$T(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{3s^2}{6s^3 + 5s^2 + 4s + 2}$$

### 3 Problem P2.25

#### Description

Find the transfer function,  $G(s) = X_2(s)/F(s)$ , for the translational mechanical network shown in Figure P2.25.

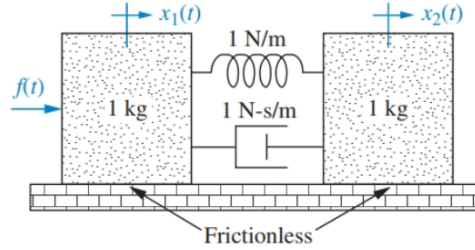


Figure 2: P2.25

#### Solution

According to the text, we could obtain the dynamics of this mechanical system:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1(s)(m_1s^2 + \zeta s + k) - X_2(s)(\zeta s + k) &= F(s) \\ -X_1(s)(\zeta s + k) + X_2(s)(m_2s^2 + \zeta s + k) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Substitute with the value above

$$\begin{aligned} X_1(s)(s^2 + s + 1) - X_2(s)(s + 1) &= F(s) \\ -X_1(s)(s + 1) + X_2(s)(s^2 + s + 1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which could be solved by Cramer's Rule,

$$X_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} s^2 + s + 1 & F(s) \\ -(s + 1) & 0 \end{bmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} s^2 + s + 1 & s + 1 \\ -(s + 1) & s^2 + s + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{s + 1}{(s^2 + 2s + 2)s^2} F(s)$$

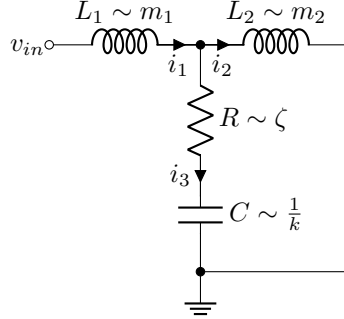
Thus the transfer function is:

$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{s + 1}{(s^2 + 2s + 2)s^2}$$

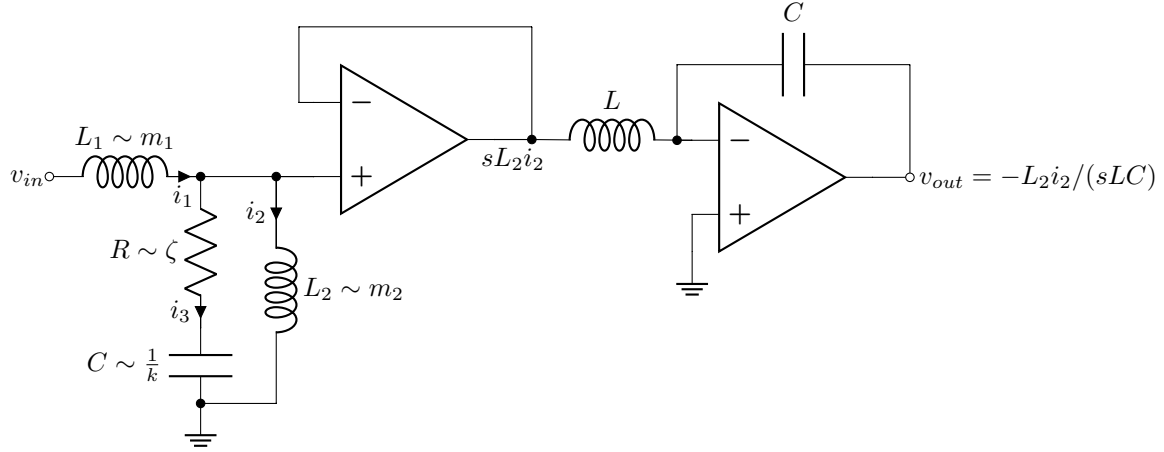
**Bonus:** the equivalent circuit dynamics should be like:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{s}I_1(s)(L_1s^2 + Rs + \frac{1}{C}) - \frac{1}{s}I_2(s)(Rs + \frac{1}{C}) &= V_{in}(s) \\ -\frac{1}{s}I_1(s)(Rs + \frac{1}{C}) + \frac{1}{s}I_2(s)(L_2s^2 + Rs + \frac{1}{C}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the schematic of the equivalent circuit is:



while the input should be  $V_{in}(s)$ , the output should be  $\frac{1}{s}I_2(s)$ . To obtain the output, consider using a AMP integrator:



Then pick  $LC = L_2$ , we can obtain the  $I(s)/s$  presented in the form of voltage.

## 4 Problem P2.35

### Description

For the rotational mechanical system with gears shown in Figure P2.20, find the transfer function,  $G(s) = \theta_3(s)/T(s)$ . The gears have inertia and bearing friction as shown. [ **notes of instructor:** Do not solve the TF. Instead, determine apparent inertia at  $\theta_3$  ]

### Solution

The transfer function of the this gear system should have a form of:

$$(\gamma_1\gamma_2)T(s) = (J_{eq}s^2 + D_{eq}s + K_{eq})\Theta_3(s)$$

where  $\gamma_1 = \frac{N_1}{N_2}$ ,  $\gamma_2 = \frac{N_3}{N_4}$ , are the gear ratio. And  $J_{eq}$ ,  $D_{eq}$ ,  $K_{eq}$  represent the equivalent impedance. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{eq} &= J_5 + J_4 + \gamma_2^2[J_3 + J_2 + \gamma_1^2(J_1)] \\ &= J_5 + J_4 + \gamma_2^2(J_3 + J_2) + \gamma_2^2\gamma_1^2J_1 \\ &= J_5 + J_4 + \left(\frac{N_3}{N_4}\right)^2(J_3 + J_2) + \left(\frac{N_3}{N_4}\right)^2\left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right)^2J_1 \end{aligned}$$

## 5 Problem P2.54

### Description

Consider the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^3x}{dt^3} + 10\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 20\frac{dx}{dt} + 15x = f(x)$$

where  $f$  is the input and is a function of the output,  $x$ . If  $f(x) = 3e^{-5x}$ , linearize the differential equation for  $x$  near 0. [ **notes instructor:** linearize at  $x = 1$  instead of  $x = 0$  ]

### Solution

the component  $f(x) = 3e^{-5x}$  is a nonlinear component in terms of  $x(t)$ , thus

1. determine the operating point, which corresponds to  $x_0 = 1$ :

$$f_0 = f(1) = 3e^{-5}$$

2. determine the slope in terms of  $x$  at the operating point :

$$m = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_0} = (-15)e^{-5x} \Big|_{x=x_0} = -15e^{-5}$$

3. change of variables, using the local linearized function  $\delta f = f_0 + m\delta x$  to approximate the original nonlinear function  $f$ ,

$$\delta f = 3e^{-5} + (-15)e^{-5}\delta x, \quad \delta x = x - x_0$$

The local linearized differential equation in terms of  $\delta x$  at operating point  $x_0 = 1$  is:

$$\frac{d^3}{dt^3}\delta x + 10\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\delta x + 20\frac{d}{dt}\delta x + 15\delta x = 3e^{-5} + (-15)e^{-5}\delta x$$

## 6 Problem P5.13

### Description

For the system shown in Figure P5.13, find the poles of the closed-loop transfer function,  $T(s) = C(s)/R(s)$ . [ **notes of instructor:** obtain the transfer function ]

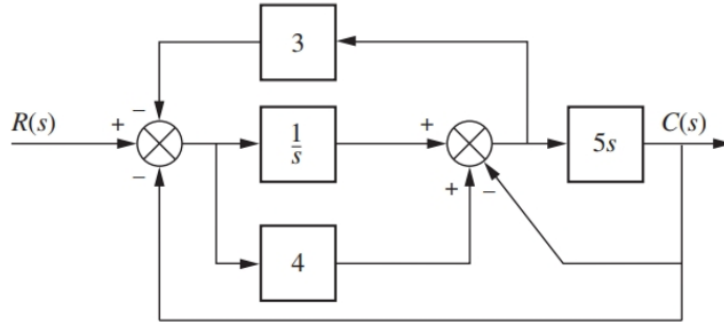


Figure 3: P5.13

### Solution

First, get the input  $X(s)$  of the  $1/s$  block:

$$X(s) = R(s) - \frac{3C(s)}{5s} - C(s)$$

Then calculate the equation of the second nodes:

$$\frac{C(s)}{5s} = \left(\frac{1}{s} + 4\right)X(s) - C(s)$$

Substitute the  $X(s)$  in the second equation by the first equation:

$$\frac{C(s)}{5s} = \left(\frac{1}{s} + 4\right)\left(R(s) - \frac{3C(s)}{5s} - C(s)\right) - C(s)$$

Then

$$(25s^2 + 22s + 3)C(s) = (20s^2 + 5s)R(s)$$

$$G(s) = \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{20s^2 + 5s}{25s^2 + 22s + 3}$$