

SFWRENG3DX4 Tutorial Quiz 3 Wednesday: Transfer functions for Mechanical Systems

1. Linear Mechanical Systems (10 marks)

Consider the system show below:

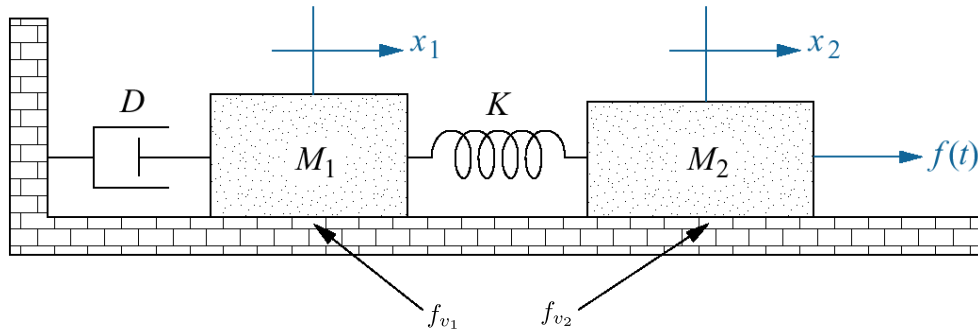
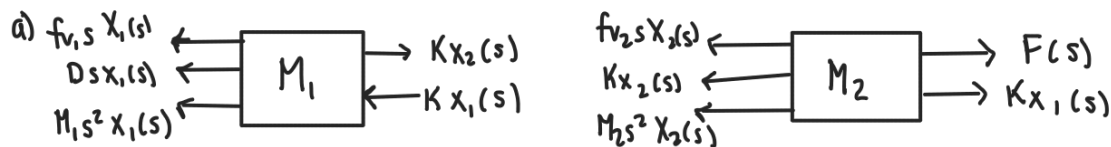


Figure 1: Linear Mechanical System

- (a) (5 marks) Draw the free body diagrams for the system shown in Fig. 1 and write down the equations of motion for the system in the Laplace domain.
- (b) (5 marks) Find the transfer function, $\frac{X_2(s)}{F(s)}$.



$$M_1: f_{v1}sX_1(s) + DsX_1(s) + M_1s^2X_1(s) = K(X_2(s) - X_1(s))$$

$$M_2: f_{v2}sX_2(s) + K(X_2(s) - X_1(s)) + M_2s^2X_2(s) = F(s)$$

b) $F(s) = f_{v2}sX_2(s) + K[X_2(s) - X_1(s)] + M_2s^2X_2(s)$

$$F(s) = X_2(s) \left[f_{v2}s + K \left[1 - \frac{X_1(s)}{X_2(s)} \right] + M_2s^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{X_2(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{\left[f_{v2}s + K \left[1 - \frac{X_1(s)}{X_2(s)} \right] + M_2s^2 \right]}$$