

# CONTROL SYSTEMS

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# QUESTION

The response of the system

$$G(s) = \frac{s - 2}{(s + 1)(s + 3)}, \quad (1)$$

to the unit step input  $u(t)$  is  $y(t)$ . The value of  $\frac{dy}{dt}$  at  $t=0^+$  is :

# SOLUTION

Input of the system,

$$x(t) = u(t) \quad (2)$$

Where  $u(t)$  is a unit step input. The Laplace transform  $x(t)$  is:

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st} dt \quad (3)$$

Therefore,

$$X(s) = \frac{1}{s} \quad (4)$$

# Solution

We know that,

$$Y(s) = X(s)H(s) \quad (5)$$

in Laplace domain. So,

$$Y(s) = \frac{s-2}{s(s+1)(s+3)} \quad (6)$$

By doing partial fractions,

$$\frac{s-2}{s(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s+1} + \frac{C}{s+3} \quad (7)$$

# SOLUTION

On solving,

$$A = \frac{-2}{3}, B = \frac{3}{2}, C = \frac{-5}{6} \quad (8)$$

From this,

$$Y(s) = \frac{-2}{3s} + \frac{3}{2(s+1)} + \frac{-5}{6(s+3)} \quad (9)$$

The inverse Laplace transform of  $Y(s)$  is:

$$y(t) = \left( \frac{-2}{3} + \frac{3}{2}e^{-t} + \frac{-5}{6}e^{-3t} \right) u(t) \quad (10)$$

On differentiating we get,

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = \frac{-3}{2}e^{-t} + \frac{5}{2}e^{-3t} \quad (11)$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{dy(0^+)}{dt} = \frac{-3}{2} + \frac{5}{2} = 1 \quad (12)$$

