

GLASGOW COLLEGE UESTC

Exam

Dynamics and Control (UESTC3001)

Date: 27th June 2021

Time: 09:30-11:30AM

Time: 2h

Attempt All Questions. Total 100 marks

- All questions bear equal marks [25 marks]
- Use one answer sheet for each of the questions in this exam.
- Show all work on the answer sheet.
- Make sure that your University of Glasgow and UESTC Student Identification Numbers are on all answer sheets.
- An electronic calculator may be used provided that it does not allow text storage or display, or graphical display.
- All graphs should be clearly labelled and sufficiently large so that all elements are easy to read.
- The numbers in square brackets in the right-hand margin indicate the marks allotted to the part of the question against which the mark is shown. These marks are for guidance only.

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Q1.

- a) Explain the primary reasons for using control systems in engineering applications. [4]

- b) The block diagram of a control system is shown in Figure Q1. Using block diagram reduction techniques, determine the closed-loop transfer function of the output $C(s)$ over the command $R(s)$.

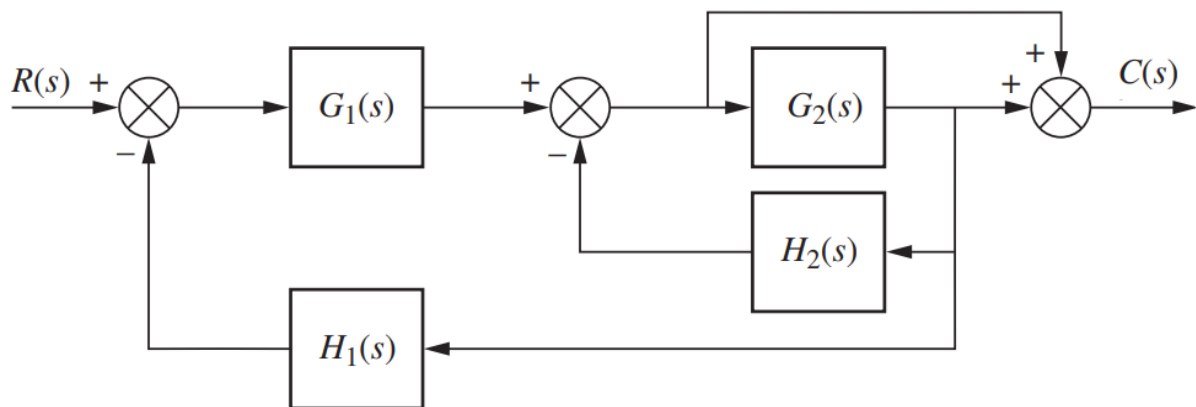


Figure Q1

- i) Redraw the simplified block diagram. [5 marks]
- ii) Reduce the block diagram to a single block using block reduction techniques. [8 marks]
- c) Given the transfer function below, use the Routh's criteria to determine the range of values of K for which the system remains stable.

$$\text{Transfer function} = \frac{s^3 + 3s^2 + s + 6}{s^4 + 12s^3 + s^2 + 4s + K}$$

[8 marks]

Q2.

In order to regulate the speed of a rotor ω , a control system has been designed. The equation linking the torque $T(t)$ and the angular speed $\omega(t)$ is given below:

$$T(t) = 0.1\dot{\omega}(t) + 5\omega(t)$$

The controller has a transfer function $G_c(s)$ which operates on the error between the measured voltage $v_m(t)$ representing the actual speed of the rotor $\omega(t)$ and the voltage $v_r(t)$ representing the required speed $\omega_r(t)$. The voltage $v_m(t)$ supplied by the sensor is proportional to the actual speed of the rotor $\omega(t)$.

$$v_m(t) = \frac{1}{2\alpha} \omega(t)$$

The cable linking the output of the sensor to the comparator is not shielded, thus a noise $N(t)$ is added to the measured voltage $v_m(t)$. The required voltage $v_r(t)$ is computed mathematically from the required speed $\omega_r(t)$ using the same relationship as the sensor. The controller (via an electric servo motor) supplies the driving torque $T(t)$.

Consider the steps described in parts (a) to (d) below, then draw the block diagram in (e):

- (a) Identify all the variables as a function of the complex variable s that are a part of the system. [2]
 - (b) Translate the transfer function for torque and output angular speed from time domain to the s -domain. [2]
 - (c) Translate the transfer function for the measured speed and the output angular speed from the time domain to the s -domain. [2]
 - (d) Draw the relations linking the variables to each other based on the description in the text. [6]
 - (e) Draw the block diagram of the system described above. [7]
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- (f) A proportional + integral + derivative controller is used with constant proportional and integral gain, K_p and K_i . What is the effect of increasing the derivative gain on the system response (natural frequency, frequency, oscillation and damping) to a unit step input for a first-order system? [6]

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Q3. Consider the control system shown in Figure Q3.

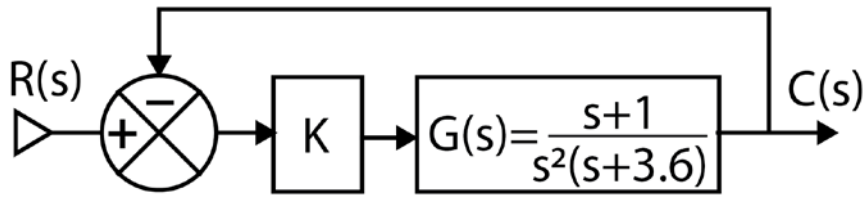


Figure Q3

- (a) Using the plant transfer function $G(s) = \frac{s+1}{s^2(s+3.6)}$ in a closed-loop system with unit negative feedback with a controller gain of K , explain what is meant by root-locus analysis of a system $KG(s)$? Explain the relevance of the Characteristic Equation of the system when considering such analysis. [6]
- (b) Before sketching the root-locus diagram for the open loop feedback system with the plant transfer function $G(s)$ given above in Figure Q3, considering a unit negative feedback loop with a controller gain of $K > 0$.

Show all calculations, including the following:

- i) The values of the poles and zeros and the order of the open loop system [3]
- ii) The intersection point and angle of the asymptotes [4]
- iii) The breakaway point [5]
- iv) Investigate if there are any points where root locus branches cross the imaginary axis. [3]
- v) Sketch of the root loci for this system. [4]

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Q4.

- a) Consider the open-loop transfer function of a process given by:

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s-5)(s+100)}$$

Answer the following questions for $K = 300$ (you are expected to fully justify your answers).

- (i) Sketch the Nyquist plot for G . As part of this question show clearly the calculations for both the gain and phase of the system at the key frequencies. [10]

(Hint to draw the Nyquist plot: You may need to consider the real part of the transfer function and its limit when ω tends to 0 to trace the sketch accurately.)

- (ii) Calculate the gain and phase margins. You must show your calculations and reasoning. [8]

Hint: The following factorisation may be useful

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^6 + 10025\omega^4 + 2.5 \cdot 10^5\omega^2 - 9 \cdot 10^4 \\ = (\omega + 0.5958)(\omega - 0.5958)(\omega^2 + 10^4)(\omega^2 + 25.356)\end{aligned}$$

- (iii) Based on your work in (i) and (ii), conclude on the stability of the closed loop system. [2]

- b) A closed-loop system has the following characteristic equation:

$$s^4 + 8s^3 + 8s^2 + (K+1)s + Ka = 0$$

where K is a gain term.

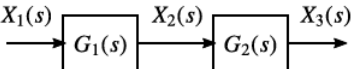
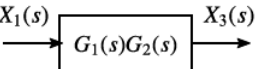
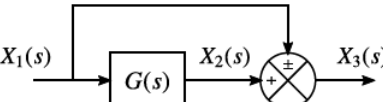
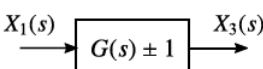
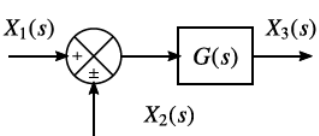
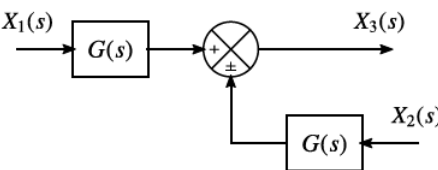
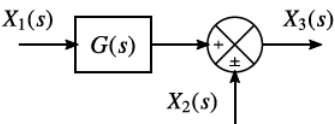
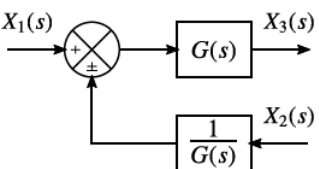
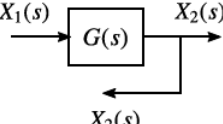
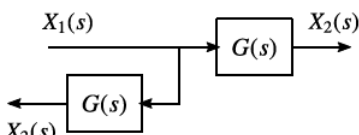
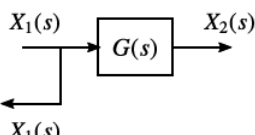
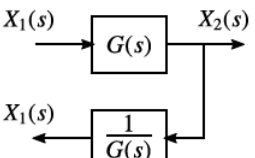
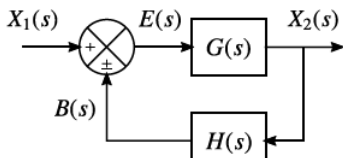
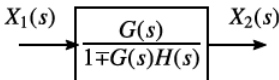
Using Routh-Hurwitz, find the conditions that K and a must meet for the closed-loop to be stable. [5]

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Data Sheet: Important Laplace Transform Pairs

Function $f(t)$	Laplace Transform $F(s)$
Unit step function $u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$
e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{s+a}$
te^{-at}	$\frac{1}{(s+a)^2}$
$\frac{1}{a}[1 - e^{-at}]$	$\frac{1}{s(s+a)}$
$\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{-at} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{-at} \cos \omega t$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
Unit impulse function $\delta(t)$	1

Data sheet 2: Rules for block diagram reduction

Rule	Original	Equivalent
1. Cascaded blocks		
2. Summing two signals		
3. Moving a summing point behind a block		
4. Moving a summing point ahead of a block		
5. Moving a branch point ahead of a block		
6. Moving a branch point behind a block		
7. Eliminating a feedback loop		

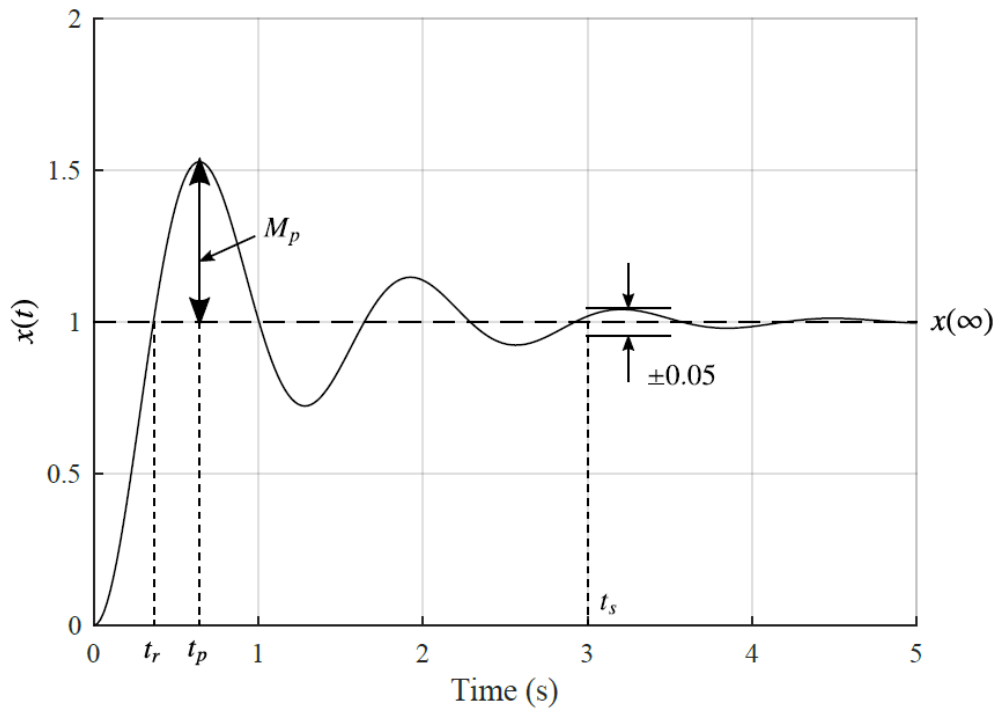
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Datasheet 3: Second order systems

The general form of the second-order system is

$$\ddot{x}(t) + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{x}(t) + \omega_n^2x(t) = Ku(t), \quad \frac{X(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{K}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_ns + \omega_n^2}$$

where ζ is the **damping ratio** and ω_n is the **natural frequency**, as stated previously.



Characteristics of an underdamped second-order system in response to a step input.

Characteristics of the Response of an Underdamped 2nd Order System to a Step Input

Rise Time
$$t_r = \frac{1}{\omega_d} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}{\zeta} \right)$$

Peak Time
$$t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_d}$$

Maximum Overshoot
$$M_p = x(\infty)e^{-\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}}\right)} \quad \text{or} \quad M_p = 100e^{-\zeta\omega_n t_p} \%$$

Settling Time
$$t_s = \frac{3}{\zeta\omega_n}$$

Damped natural Frequency
$$\omega_d = \omega_n\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}$$

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Datasheet 4: Root Locus

Root Locus Analysis

Properties of the Open Loop Transfer Function

The characteristic equation of a system may be written in the form: $1 + F(s) = 0$ where $F(s)$ is the open loop transfer function. This gives the magnitude condition that

$$|F(s)| = 1$$

and given that the open loop transfer function takes the form:

$$F(s) = \frac{K(s - z_1)(s - z_2) \cdots (s - z_v)}{s^n(s - p_1)(s - p_2) \cdots (s - p_u)}$$

we can write

$$K = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n+u} |s - p_j|}{\prod_{i=1}^v |s - z_i|}$$

Sketching a Root Locus

Angle of Asymptotes: $\phi = \frac{(2m+1) \times 180}{P - Z}$ degrees for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots (P - Z - 1)$

The intersection point: $\sigma_A = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^P \text{Re}(p_j) - \sum_{i=1}^Z \text{Re}(z_i)}{P - Z}$

Breakaway Point: $\frac{dK}{ds} = 0$

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Departure Angle from a Complex Pole, ϕ_d , is given by:

$$\phi_d = 180^\circ - \sum \text{angles of vectors to the complex pole from all other poles} \\ + \sum \text{angles of vectors to the complex pole from all zeros.}$$

Arrival Angle to a Complex Zero, ϕ_a , is given by:

$$\phi_a = 180^\circ - \sum \text{angles of vectors to the complex zero from all other zeros} \\ + \sum \text{angles of vectors to the complex zero from all poles}$$

Newton-Raphson Method: For a function $A(s) = 0$, successive estimates of a root may be obtained from:

$$s_{i+1} = s_i - \frac{A(s_i)}{A'(s_i)}$$

Datasheet 5: Frequency Response Analysis

General theory

For a system with closed loop transfer function: $G(s) = \frac{X(s)}{Y(s)}$

a periodic input $y(t) = Y \sin \omega t$

yields a steady state response $x(t)_{ss} = Y|G(i\omega)| \sin(\omega t + \phi)$

where $|G(i\omega)|$ = the gain of the system,

and $\phi = \angle G(i\omega)$ = the phase of the system.

Elements of the Bode plot

Factor	$G(s)$	$G(i\omega)$	$ G(i\omega) _{dB}$	$\angle G(i\omega)$ rad
Gain	K	K	$20 \log_{10} K$	0
Poles at Origin	$\frac{1}{s^n}$	$\frac{1}{i^n \omega^n}$	$-20n \log_{10} \omega$	$-n \frac{\pi}{2}$
Zeros at Origin	s^n	$i^n \omega^n$	$20n \log_{10} \omega$	$n \frac{\pi}{2}$
Pole	$\frac{1}{1 + \tau s}$	$\frac{1}{1 + i\omega\tau}$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: -20 \log_{10}(\tau\omega)$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: -\frac{\pi}{2}$
Zero	$1 + \tau s$	$1 + i\omega\tau$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: 20 \log_{10}(\tau\omega)$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: \frac{\pi}{2}$
Quadratic Poles	$\frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$	$\frac{\omega_n^2}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2) + 2\zeta\omega_n \omega i}$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: -40 \log_{10}(\tau\omega)$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: -\pi$
Quadratic Zeros	$s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2$	$(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2) + 2\zeta\omega_n \omega i$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: 40 \log_{10}(\tau\omega)$	$\omega \rightarrow 0: 0$ $\omega \rightarrow \infty: \pi$

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Properties of the Bode Plot

For quadratic poles: Resonant Frequency, ω_r :

$$\omega_r = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - 2\zeta^2}$$

Resonant Peak, M_r

$$M_r = \frac{1}{2\zeta \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}}$$