

Assignment 1 - Modelling

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Coursework description: The aim of this assignment is to assess the student's ability to model systems using block diagram techniques, analyse systems using the Laplace transform method, use MATLAB to simulate system behaviour and understand the system.

Deadline: 17th March @ 5 p.m. to ECS Submission system

Work will be marked and returned by 5pm 3.04.21

This piece of coursework is regarded as major.

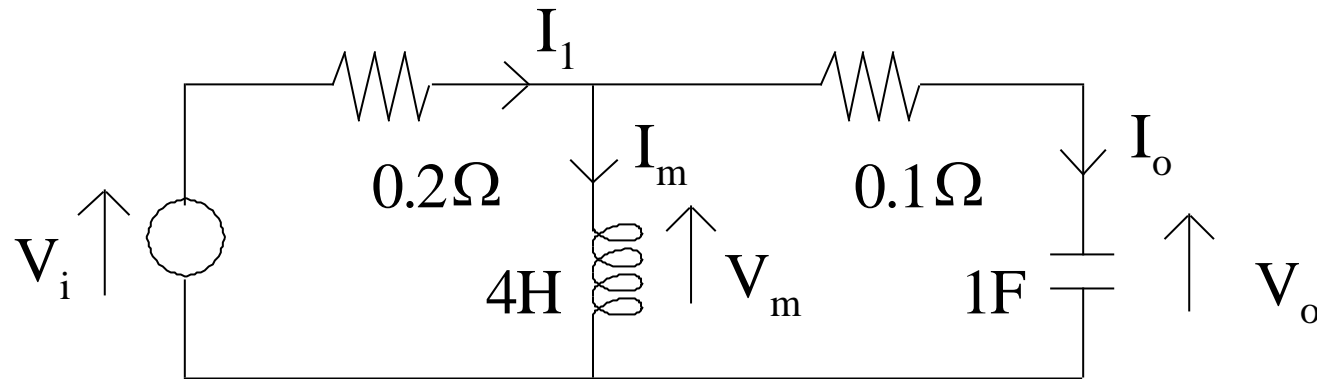
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This work takes ~6 sides of A4 and ~10Hrs to complete - do not leave it to the last minute!

Model of an electronic system



Derive the block diagram of the above circuit, reorganise it and then use the loop reduction method to find V_o/V_i . Use the inverse transfer function to find $V_o(t)$ for a unit step input.

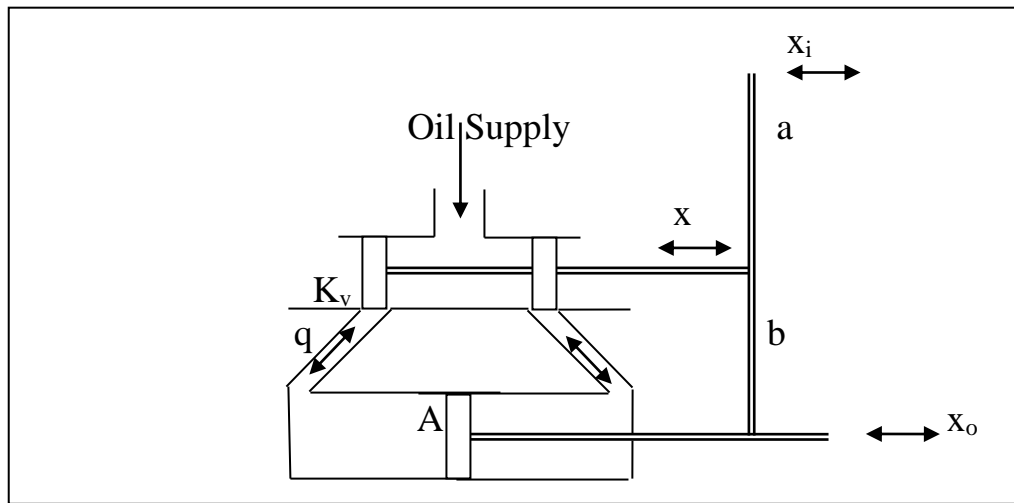
Hint: the following equations may be useful:

$$V_i - V_m = 0.2I_1 \quad I_m = I_1 - I_o \quad V_m = 4s I_m \quad V_m - V_o = 0.1I_o \quad V_o = \frac{1}{s} I_o$$

[You may *verify* the transfer function by another method, e.g. a two port network.]

Use MATLAB to plot V_o if V_i is a unit step voltage both numerically and theoretically. **Compare the time responses.**

Task 2 : Model of a hydraulic system



Hydraulic systems are used where large forces are required to be controlled from small input signals. The input displacement (x_i) and output displacement (x_o) combine to give the displacement of the spool (x).

Prove the following relationship:

$$x = \left(\frac{b}{a+b} \right) x_i - \left(\frac{a}{a+b} \right) x_o$$

The flow rate q is proportional to the displacement of the spool, with constant K_v . Consider the relationship between the flow rate, area of piston (A) and the output displacement. The system contents are $a = 4$ cm, $b = 12$ cm, $A = 10$ cm² and $K_v = 20$ cm³/s/cm.

Determine the transfer function of the system relating output to input displacement.

[440 Students only: Examine the dynamic response to a step input of 0.5 cm and a sinusoidal input of amplitude 1 and frequency 2 rads/s]

Appendix 1 - Useful Laplace transforms

Time domain	Laplace domain		Time domain	Laplace domain
K	$\frac{K}{s}$		$K*\sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{K*\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$K*t$	$\frac{K}{s^2}$		$K*\cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{K*s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$K*t^n$	$\frac{K*n!}{s^{n+1}} \{ \text{for } n>1 \}$		$K*e^{-at}*\sin(\omega t)$	$\frac{K*\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
Ke^{-at}	$\frac{K}{s+a}$		$K*e^{-at}*\cos(\omega t)$	$\frac{K*(s+a)}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$
$K*t*e^{-at}$	$\frac{K}{(s+a)^2}$			