

# **ELEN90055 Control Systems**

## **Worksheet 4**

Semester 2

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### **Instructions**

This worksheet covers *step response transients*. Solutions to starred problems will be provided after the practice class.

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1\*. A certain servo system has dynamics dominated by a pair of complex poles and no finite zeros. The time domain specifications are

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Rise time: } & t_r \leq 0.6 \text{ sec.} \\ \text{Overshoot: } & M_p \leq 17\% \\ \text{Settling time: } & t_s \leq 9.2 \text{ sec.}\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Sketch the region in the complex  $s$ -plane for which the poles could be placed such that all specifications are met.
- (b) Indicate the specific locations that will have the smallest rise time, an overshoot of  $M_p \leq 17\%$  and also meet the settling time specification exactly ( $t_s = 9.2 \text{ sec}$ ).

2\*. (Question 9, Control system final exam 2017):

Suppose you want to achieve an overshoot of no more than 10% and a rise time of at most 2 sec. Assume that there are no finite zeros in the transfer function. Sketch the region of the complex plane where all the dominant poles of the closed-loop transfer function should be located.

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3\*. (Question 9, Control system final exam 2016):

Suppose that you designed two controllers for a given plant and they both yield a stable closed-loop system. The first controller gives you rise time  $t_r = 0.5 \text{ sec}$  and settling time  $t_s = 10 \text{ sec}$ . The second controller gives you the rise time  $t_r = 1 \text{ sec}$  and settling time  $t_s = 4 \text{ sec}$ . Which controller gives you a faster response for the closed-loop system?

4. (Question 5, Control system final exam 2016):

Suppose that you have found that the characteristic polynomial of a closed-loop system takes the following form:

$$s^3 + (k_p + 3)s^2 + 4k_p s + 15$$

where  $k_p > 0$  is a controller parameter that you can tune. Explain how you can use the Routh-Hurwitz criterion to check if the settling time (5% of the final value) is smaller than 2 sec (you do not need to complete all calculations - just explain the steps you would use).