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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

EMM 416: CONTROL ENGINEERING I

DATE: 9/11/2020

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

Make your answers Exact and concise

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) A second order system has an un-damped natural frequency of 100rad/s and a damping factor of 0.3 . The value of the coefficient of the second time derivative is 5m . If the static sensitivity is 10 , write down the response for a force excitation shown in Figure Q 1a) in terms of the *Duhamel's Integral* for the periods $0 < t < t_1$, $t_1 < t < t_2$ and $t > t_2$

(4 marks)

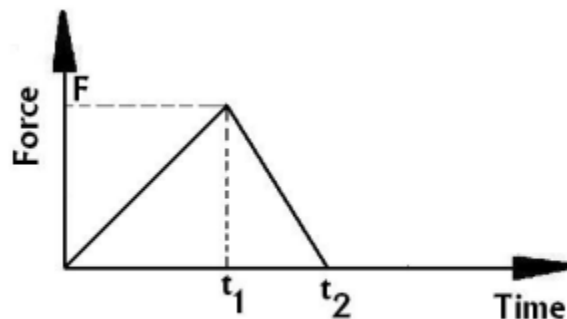


Figure Q 1a)

- b) A second-order system has a damping factor of 0.3 (underdamped system) and an undamped natural frequency of 10 rad/s. Keeping the damping factor the same, if the undamped natural frequency is changed to 20 rad/s, locate the new poles of the system
(5 marks)

- c) Using *Ruoth-Hurwitz Stability Criterion*, determine the range of K for which the system described below is stable (3 marks)

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+2)(s+4)}; H(s) = 1$$

- d) Determine the overall transfer function of the system shown in Figure Q 1 d) using Masons-Gain Formula (4 marks)

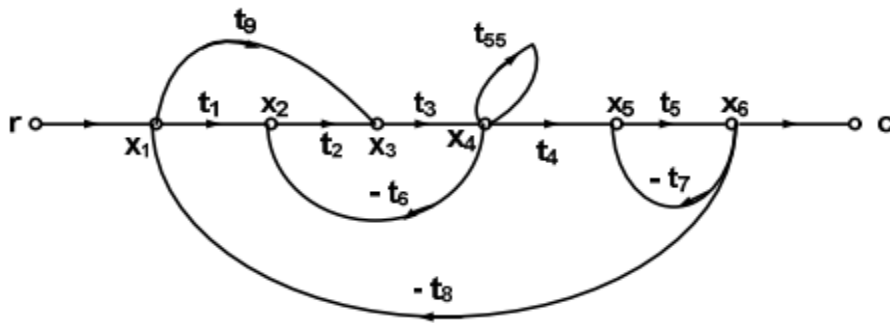


Figure Q 1 d)

- e) An open loop transfer function for a control system is given by

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K}{s^2(s+1)}$$

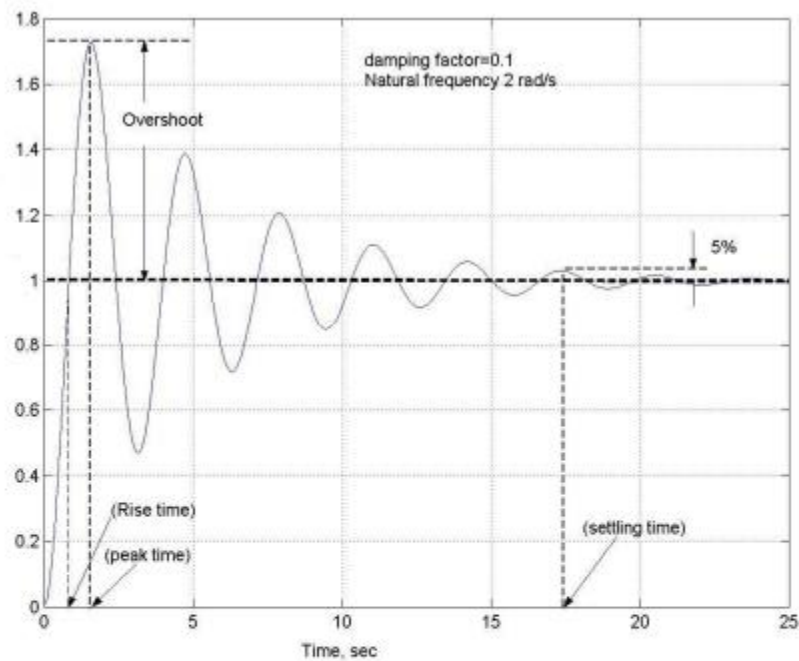
Determine and draw the following

- Root Locus for the feedback system (9 marks)
- Polar plot and compute gain margin, phase margin & absolute stability at gain K (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Figure Q 2 a) shows the second order time response specifications for a step-input for an underdamped scenario. Define and derive the expressions for the following time-domain specifications
- Delay time (1 mark)
 - Rise time (1 mark)
 - Peak time (2 marks)

- iv. Peak overshoot (2 marks)
- v. Settling time (1 mark)



$$y(t) = \frac{Kx_i}{m\omega_n^2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{e^{-\zeta\omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin(\omega_d t + \varphi) \right\}$$

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

Figure Q 2a)

- b) Consider the system shown in Figure Q2bi). To improve the performance of the system a feedback is added to this system, which results in Figure Q 2bii).
- i. Determine the natural frequency and the damping ratio for the system in Figure Q 2bi) (2 marks)
 - ii. Determine the value of K so that the damping ratio of the new system is 0.4 (4 marks)
 - iii. Using Routh-Hurwitz Criterion, determine the range of K for the stability of the system (2 marks)
 - iv. Compare the overshoot, rise time, peak time and settling time and the nominal value of the systems shown in Figures Q2bi) and 2bii) (5 marks)

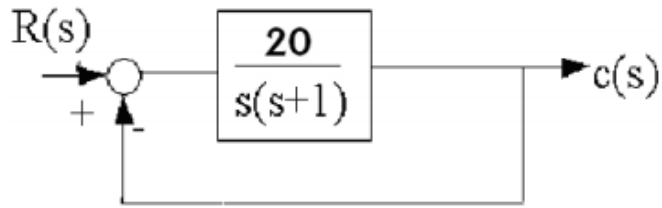


Figure Q 2bi)

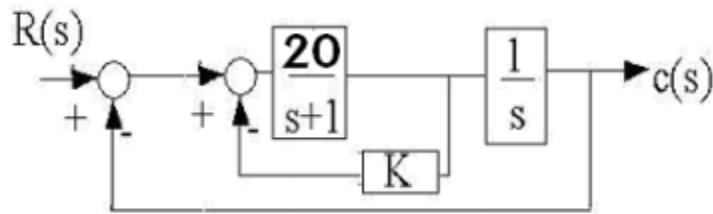


Figure Q 2bii)

QUESTION THREE (20MARKS)

- a) Determine and draw the root-locus of the feedback system whose open loop transfer function is given by (8 marks)

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(s^2 + 10s + 100)}{s^4 + 20s^3 + 100s^2 + 500s + 1500}; H(s) = 1$$

- b) Determine the following from the Root-Locus in a) above
- Phase Margin and damping coefficient at which the system will be stable as well as have a maximum overshoot of 5% (2 marks)
 - The gain margin at the point in bi) above (2 marks)
 - The steady state error for a unit step excitation at the point in bi) above (2 marks)
- c) Using Routh-Hurwitz Criterion, determine the range of K for the stability of the system a) above (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) A closed loop control system is represented by the Block Diagram shown in Figure Q 4a).
- Derive the transfer function by Block Reduction Method (4 marks)
 - Verify the results in 4ai) above using the Signal Flow Graph Approach (4 marks)

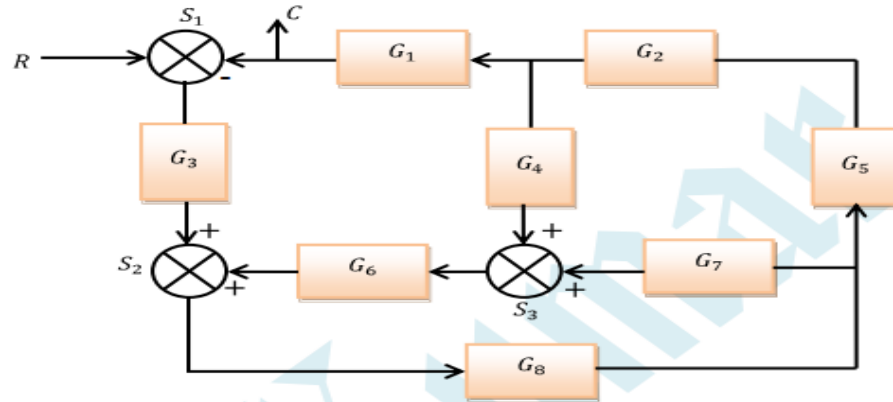


Figure Q4a)

- b) A closed loop control system is represented by the Block Diagram shown in Figure Q 4 b).
- Derive the transfer function by Block Reduction Method (4 marks)
 - Verify the results in 4bi) above using the Signal Flow Graph Approach (4 marks)

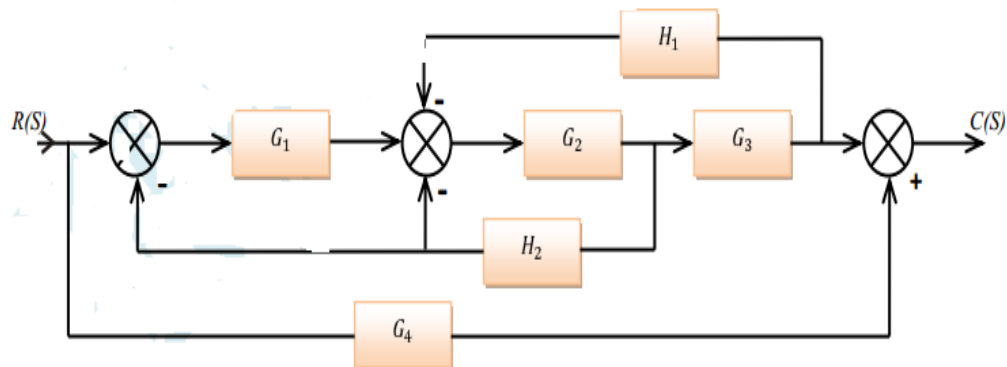


Figure Q4b)

- c) Determine the restrictions on K for which the system represented by the SFG in Figure Q4c) is stable (4 marks)

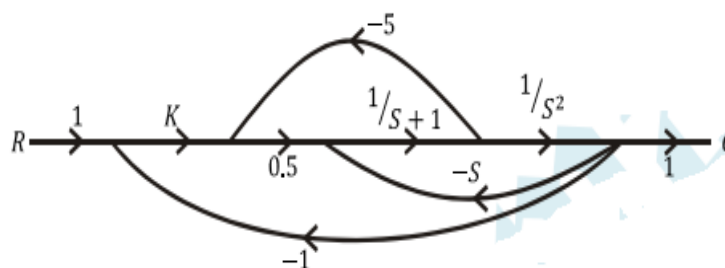


FIGURE Q4C)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Draw the Bode Magnitude and Phase Plot of the open loop transfer function given by (9 marks)

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{1}{s^4 + 5s^3 + 8s^2 + 6s}$$

Determine the gain margin and phase margin (2 marks)

- b) Determine the closed-loop magnitude ratio and bandwidth of the feedback system whose forward transfer function is given by

$$G(s) = \frac{10}{s(s+2)(s+40)} \text{ and } H(s) = 1$$

Using the following methods

- i) Direct Computation (5 marks)
ii) M and N circles (4 marks)