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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **five** Questions; Question ONE is compulsory. In addition attempt any Other TWO Questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- (a) A process plant consist of two tanks of capacitance C_1 and C_2 . If the flow rate into the top tank is Q_3 find the transfer function relating this flow to the level in the bottom tank. Each tank has a resistance R in its outlet pipe. **(10 marks)**
- (b) Derive the transfer function of the circuit of Fig. Q1(b). **(6mark)**

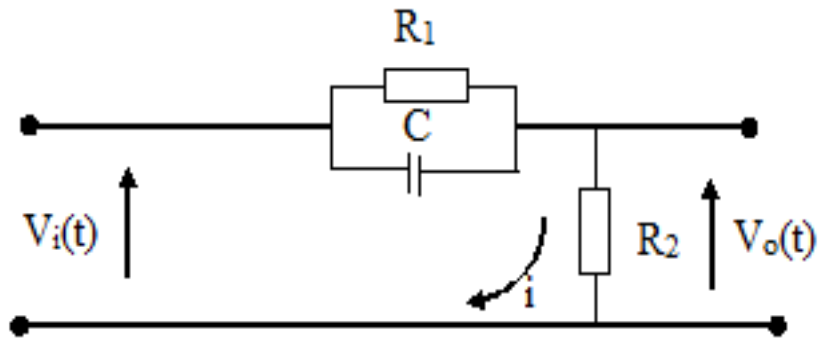


Fig. Q1(b)

- (c) A mechanical accelerometer is shown in Fig. Q1(c). The position x of the mass M with respect to the accelerometer case is proportional to the acceleration of the case. Determine the transfer function between the input acceleration and the output x .
(6 marks)

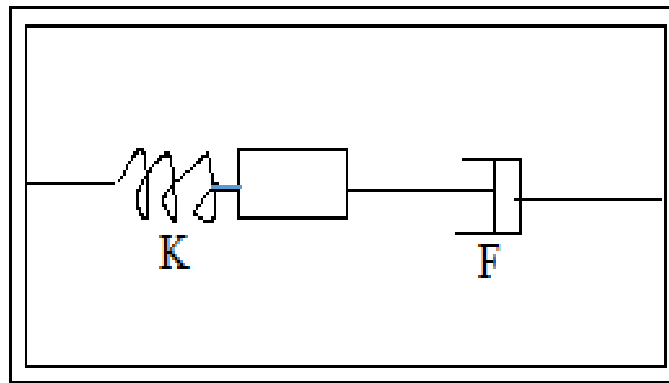
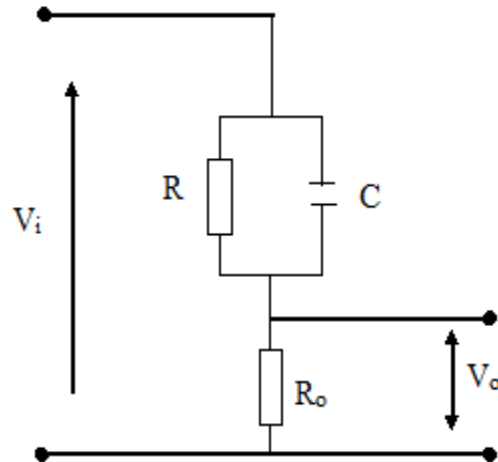


Fig. Q2(c)

- (d) The circuit of Fig. Q1(d) is used in an amplifier of a control system. Derive an expression for the transfer function of the circuit. If $V_i = 10 \sin 10t$ volts, $R = 50k\Omega$, $R_o = 5k\Omega$ and $C = 1F$ Calculate the output voltage in magnitude and in phase relative to V_i .

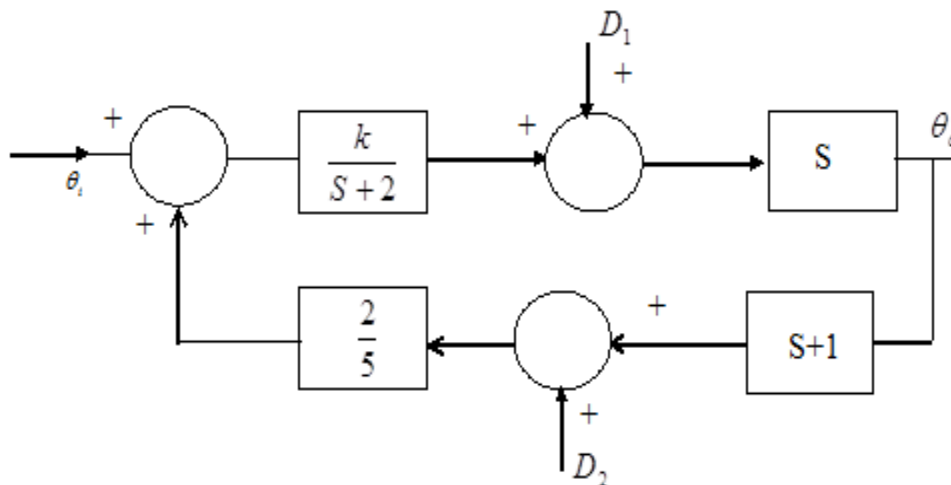


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Fig Q1(d)

Question TWO

- (a) Determine the output θ_o for the system of Fig. Q2(a) using block diagram reduction methods and hence the transfer function. (10 marks)



- (b) Fig. Q2(b) is a block diagram of a multi loop control system. Determine the transfer function (10 marks)

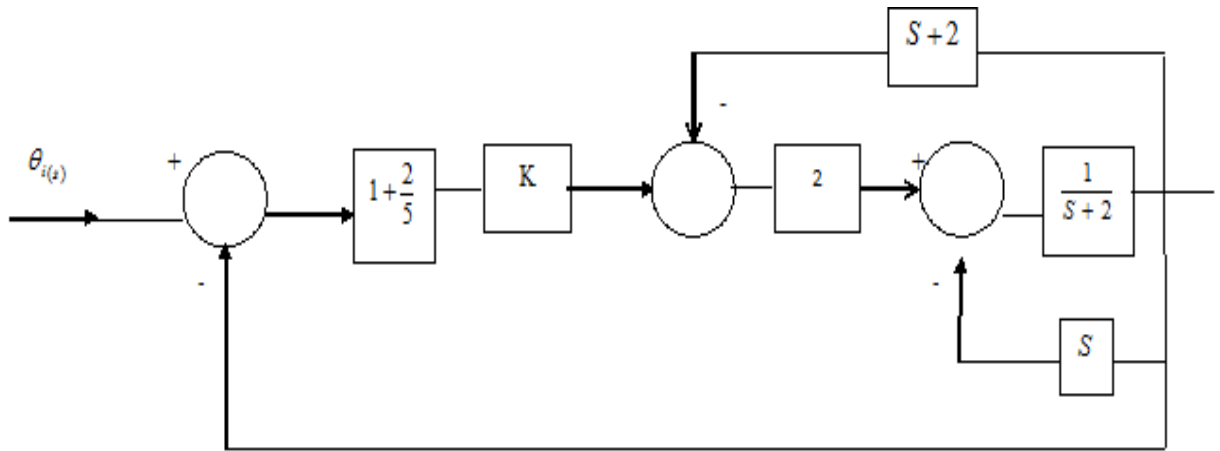


Fig. Q2(b)

Question THREE

- (a) Obtain the signal flow graph for the block diagram of Fig. Q3(a) and obtain the closed-loop transfer function by using Mason's rule. **(10 marks)**

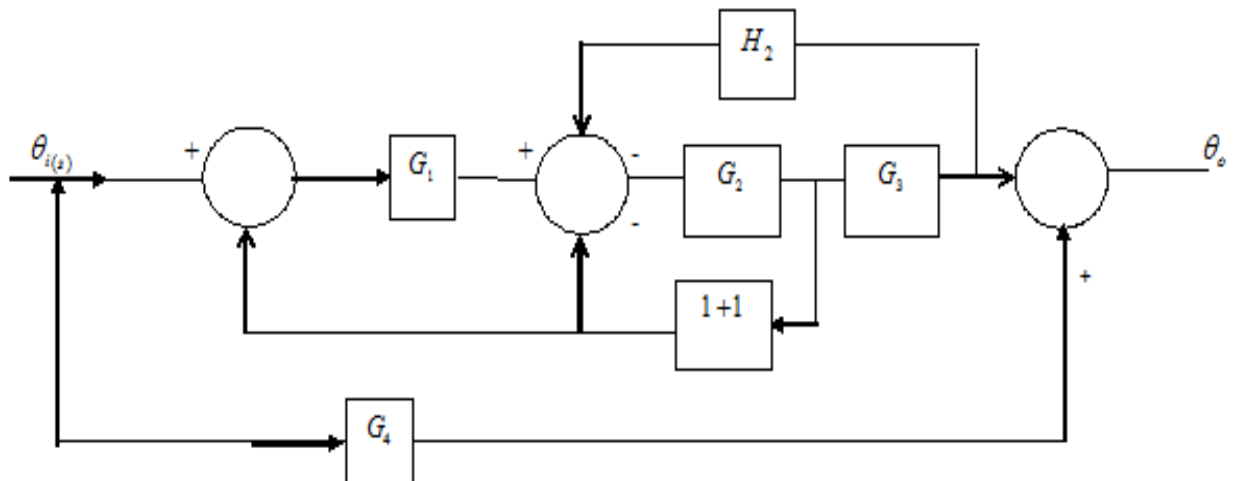


Fig. Q3(a)

- (b) (i) State the advantages of signal flow graphs over block diagrams.
(ii) Describe the function of nodes and branches.

- (iii) Draw a block diagram for the signal flow graph shown in Fig. Q3(b) and find the transfer function between θ_o and θ_i (10 marks)

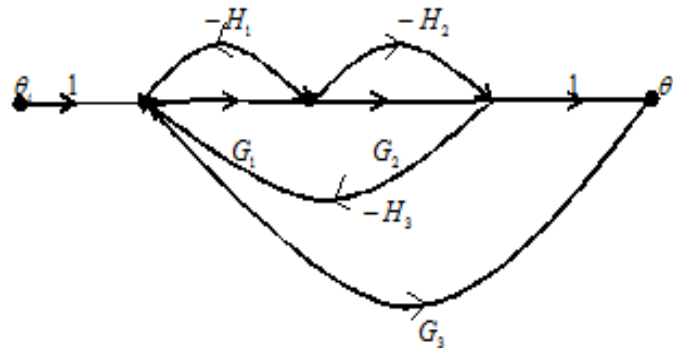


Fig. Q3(b)

Question FOUR

- (a) Fig. Q4a(i) shows a mechanical vibratory system. When 8.9N of force is applied to the system, the mass oscillates as shown in Fig. Q4a(ii). Determine M, F and K of the system for this response curve. (10 marks)

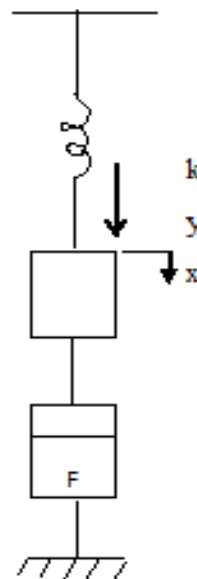


Fig Q 4a(i)

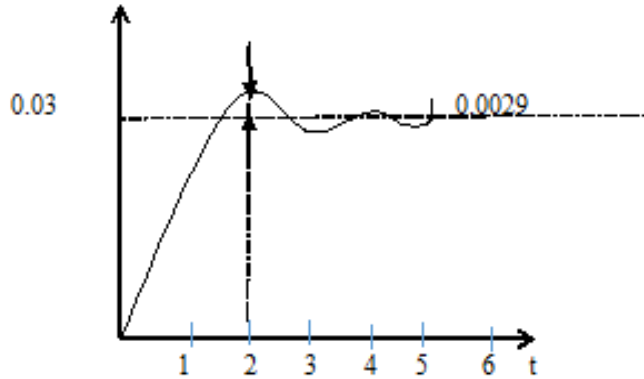


Fig. Q4a(ii)

(b) A servo mechanism, designed to control the angular position of a rotatable mass, is stabilized by means of acceleration feedback. The moment of inertia of the system is $10^{-4} Nm$ and the motor torque T_m is given by $T_m = 4 \times 10^{-3} [\theta_e + Ks^2 \theta_o] N_m$.

- (i) Draw the block diagram of the system and develop the control equation.
- (ii) Determine the value of k in order that the damping is critical.
- (iii) Calculate the steady-state error for an input signal of $1.26 \text{ rad } S^{-1}$.

(10 marks)

Question FIVE

(a) The open-loop transfer function of a control system is given by:

$$G(s) = \frac{7}{s(1+0.5s)(1+0.167s)}$$

Plot the bode diagram and determine the gain and phase margins and error constant. A lag network having a transfer function $(1+s\alpha T)/(1+sT)$ ($\alpha < 1$) is to be introduced as a series compensator to give a gain margin of at least 15dB and a phase margin of 45° . Find suitable values of α and T .

(14 marks)

(b) The open loop transfer functions for two systems are:

(i) $\frac{K_1}{s^2(1+0.1s)}$

(ii) $\frac{K_2}{(1+s)(1+0.1s)}$

Using Routh's array determine values of K for which the system is stable.

(6 marks)