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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 (Compulsory 30 marks)

- a) The motor of the Figure Q1a is functioning under a constant field current. The parameters of the motor are:

$$R_a = 0.5 \, \Omega, \quad L_a = 0.05 \, \text{H}, \quad k_\omega = 2 \, \text{V/r/s}, \quad k_t = 5 \, \text{N} \cdot \text{m/A}, \quad B = 1 \, \text{N} \cdot \text{m/r/s}$$

$$\text{and } J = 45 \, \text{N} \cdot \text{m/r/s}^2$$

- (i) Draw the block diagram and the SFG of the system.
- (ii) Determine the transfer function $G(s) = \Omega(s)/V_i(s)$.
- (iii) If $V_i(t) = 200u(t)$ V, compute the steady-state angular velocity of the motor
- (iv) Determine the new steady-state velocity of the motor if a load torque $T'(t) = 40 \, \text{Nm}$ is applied on the axis of the motor.

[25 marks]

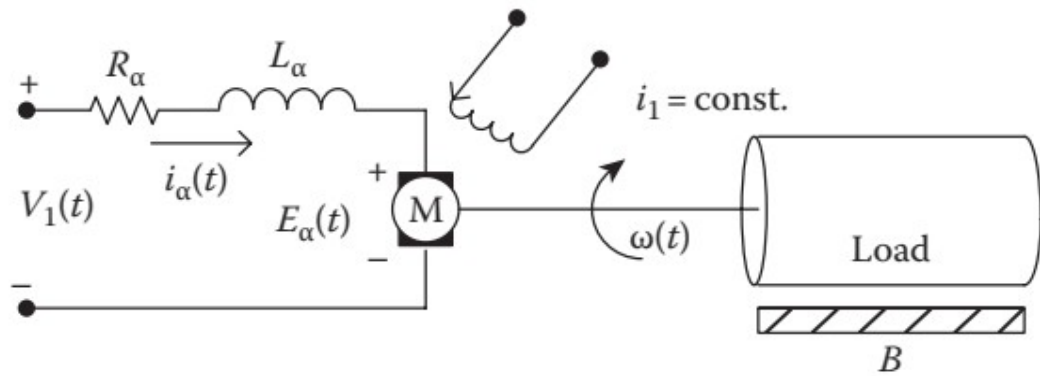


Figure Q1a

- b) For a system with an open loop transfer function given by

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

- Determine the stability when the value of $K = 2$
- Find the critical values of K for stability

[5 marks]

Question TWO

- a) Compute the transfer function of the depicted block diagram of Figure Q2a

- By reduction
- By plotting the relevant SFG and applying Mason's gain formula

[10 marks]

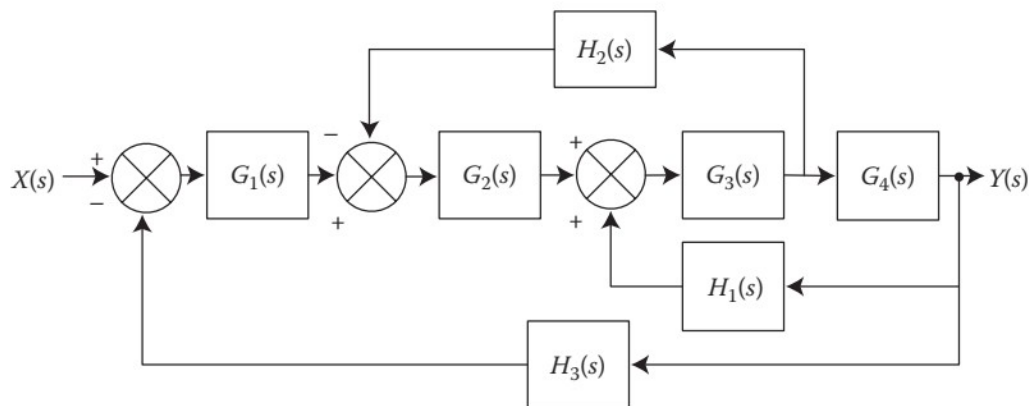


Figure Q2a

- b) The equations that describe an automatic control system are

- Plot the SFG of the system.
- Compute the transfer function $G(s) = X_5(s)/X_1(s)$ of the system by applying Mason's Gain formula.

[10 marks]

$$x_2 = x_1 t_{12} - x_2 t_{22} - x_4 t_{42} - x_3 t_{32}$$

$$x_3 = x_2 t_{23} - x_3 t_{33} - x_4 t_{43}$$

$$x_4 = x_2 t_{24} + x_3 t_{34} - x_4 t_{44}$$

$$x_5 = x_4 t_{45}$$

Question THREE

- a) Figure Q3a is a positional control system with a velocity feedback. Determine the response of the system for a unit step input.

[16 marks]

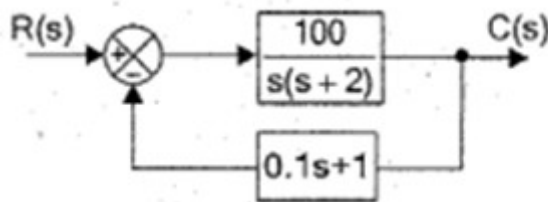


Figure Q3a

- b) State any **two advantages** and **two disadvantages** of open loop control systems

[4 marks]

Question FOUR

- a) Given a closed-loop control system with negative feedback and having

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

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{1+0.5s}$$

- Write down an expression for the open loop transfer function.
- Sketch the Nyquist diagram and
- Determine (I) phase margin
(II) gain margin

[14 marks]

- b) State any **three advantages** and **three disadvantages** of closed loop systems

[6 marks]

Question FIVE

- a) Determine the transfer function $\frac{X_1(s)}{F(s)}$ of the mechanical translational system of figure Q5a.

[14 marks]

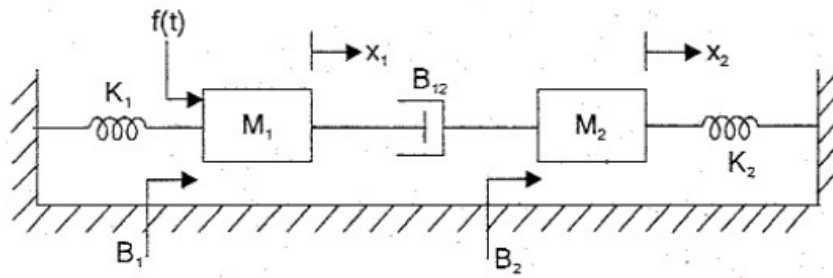


Figure Q5a

b) With the aid of diagrams explain the following test signals

- (i) Unit step function
- (ii) Unit impulse function
- (iii) Parabolic function

[6 marks]

c)

