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General Instructions

1. Read all instructions carefully before answering the questions.
 2. This question paper consists of **eight (8)** questions in **Five (5)** pages.
 3. Write the answers for the **Section A** and **Section B** in separate answer books.
 4. Answer **Q1**, which is **compulsory** and **FOUR** other questions, selecting at least **ONE** from **SECTION A** and **TWO (2)** from **SECTION B**. Answer for each question should commence from a new page.
 5. Relevant charts/codes are provided.
 6. This is a **Closed Book Test (CBT)**.
 7. Answers should be in clear handwriting and do not use Red colour pen.
 8. Clearly state your assumptions, if any.
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SECTION A

- Q1** An automatic depth control of a Submarine in the deep sea is shown in Figure Q1. Suppose the submarine's Captain needs to hover (float) at a desired depth and sets the desired depth as a voltage from a calibrated potentiometer;

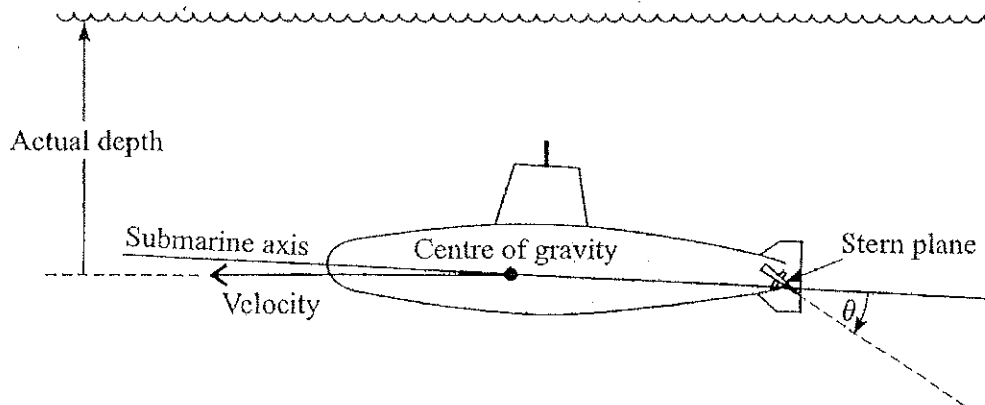


Figure Q1

- Explain briefly, how the system output can be measured and the type of transducer to be used. [03]
 - What is the Actuator of the system? [02]
 - Propose and explain the operation of this control system. [06]
 - Draw a complete block diagram, identifying each block with its function. [04]
 - Let $G_i(s)$'s and $H_i(s)$'s are the transfer functions (where $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$) for the *forward* and *feedback* path blocks in (d), respectively. Find the closed loop transfer function of the system. [05]
- Q2** A feed forward transfer function of a unity feedback system is given by

$$\frac{5000}{s(s + 75)}$$

- For a unit step input, find the [10]
 - Expected percent overshoot
 - Settling time of the system
- If $u(t)$ is a unit step function, find the steady state error for an input of [06]
 - $5u(t)$
 - $5t \times u(t)$
- Explain briefly, how the overshoot and settling time are influenced on the stability of a control system. [04]

Q3 Figure Q3 shows the block diagram of a feedback control system.

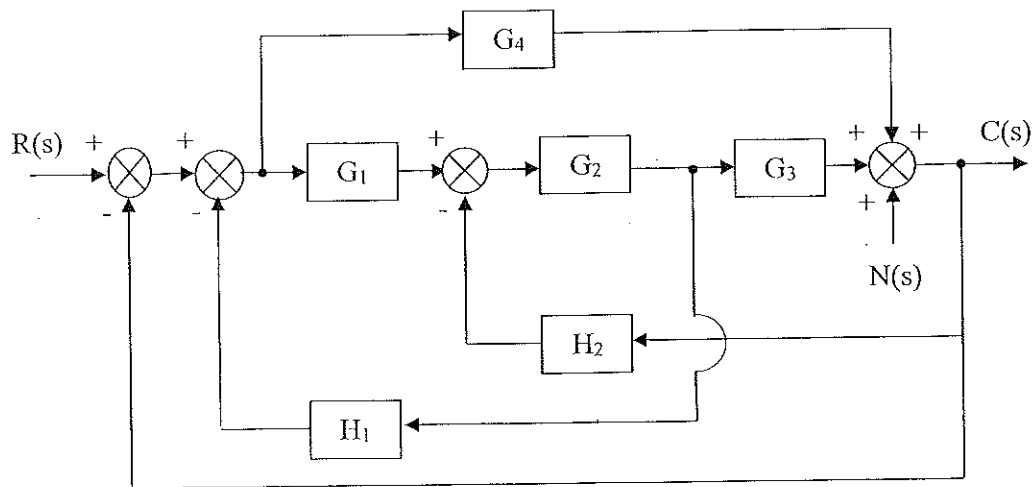


Figure Q3

(a) Draw the signal flow graph (SFG) for the given system. [12]

(b) Apply the SFG gain formula to find the transfer functions. [04]

i) $\left. \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} \right|_{N=0}$

ii) $\left. \frac{C(s)}{N(s)} \right|_{R=0}$

(c) Express the output $C(s)$ in terms of $R(s)$ and $N(s)$ when both inputs are applied simultaneously. [04]

Q4

(a) A feedback control system is shown in Figure Q4.

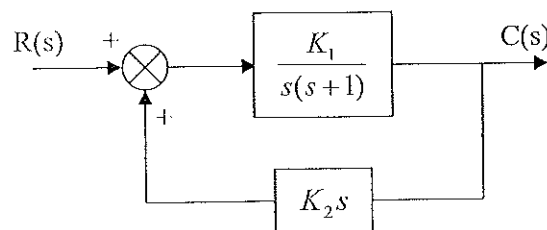


Figure Q4

i) Explain briefly, what is meant by *sensitivity* of a system. [02]

ii) Determine the sensitivity of the system to variations in each of the parameters K_1 and K_2 separately. [04]

(b) An open loop transfer function of a unity feedback system is given by

$$G(s) = \frac{(s + 2)}{0.25s(s + 1)(s + 4)}$$

i) What is the *Type* of this system? [02]

ii) For the system, find the following error constants: [06]

I Acceleration II Velocity III Position

iii) For the system, find the steady state errors for the following unit inputs: [06]

I Parabolic II Ramp III Step

SECTION B

Q5

(a) Determine the Z transformation of "Zero- order Hold".

$$G_h(s) = \frac{1 - e^{-Ts}}{s}$$

[06]

(b) Consider the sampled data system shown in figure Q5. If sampling time "*T*" is 0.5 sec.

i. Find the Z domain transfer function of the system.

[08]

ii. Hence find the stability of the system.

[06]

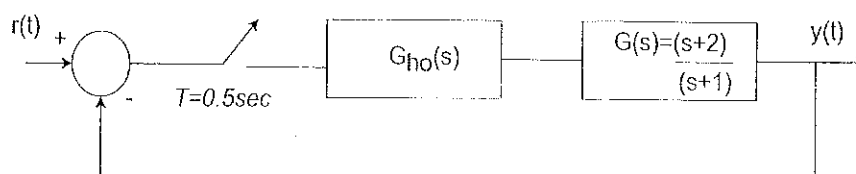


Figure Q5

Q6.

- (a) A feedback system has an open loop transfer function of

$$G(s)H(s) = \frac{K e^{-s}}{s(s^2 + 5s + 9)}$$

Determine, by using the Routh criterion, the maximum value of K for the closed loop system to be stable.

[06]

- (b) A feedback control system has a open-loop transfer function

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

Find the root locus as K is varied from 0 to ∞ .

[12]

- (c) Hence find the range of K to keep the system stable.

[02]

Q7.

- (a) Define following terms.

- i. Phase margin
- ii. Gain margin
- iii. Phase crossover point
- iv. Gain crossover point

[08]

- (b) Sketch the asymptotic bode plot for a unity feedback system characterized by loop transfer function

$$G(s) = \frac{K(1 + 0.1s)}{s^2(1 + 0.001s)}$$

Show that the system is continuously stable. Find the range of values for which the system is stable.

[12]

Q8.

- (a) State three compensators used in control system engineering. Write the transfer functions each compensator and label the parameters.

[08]

- (b) Briefly explain the how PID controller parameters effect to the rise time, overshoot, settling time and steady state error.

[12]

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