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Subject: CONTROL ENGINEERING  
Max. Marks: 100

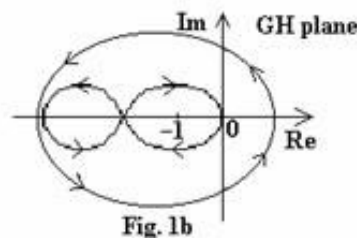
NOTE: There are 9 Questions in all.

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q. 1. must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.
- Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.
- Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.

Q.1 Choose the correct or best alternative in the following: (2x10)

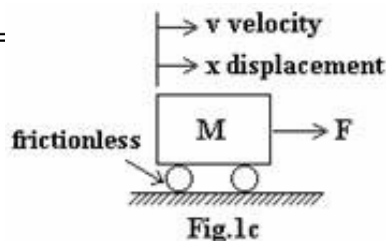
- a. A second-order system with damping ratio of 0.4 acting on a unit-step input will produce a maximum overshoot of about
- (A) 25% (B) 45%  
(C) 65% (D) 85%
- b. The number of counter clockwise encirclements (N) of the critical point  $(-1+j0)$  in the signal-flow graph shown in Fig. 1b is

- (A) 3 (B) 2  
(C) 0 (D) 1



- c. A mass M initially at rest acted upon by a force F(t) as shown in Fig. 1c is described by

- (A)  $M \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = F$  (B)  $M \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F$   
(C)  $M \frac{dx}{dt} = F$  (D)  $Mv = F$



- d. The transfer function of a dead-time element is

- (A)  $\tau_D s$  (B)  $\frac{s}{\tau_D}$   
(C)  $e^{-\frac{\tau_D}{s}}$  (D)  $e^{-s\tau_D}$

- e. A synchro transmitter-receiver pair is most widely used in feedback control systems as

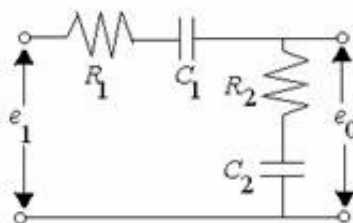
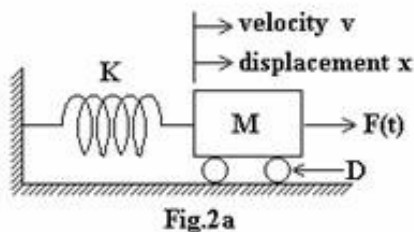
- (A) frequency detector (B) error detector  
(C) modulator (D) amplifier

- f. The transfer function from  $\theta(t)$  to  $e(t)$  for a tachogenerator of sensitivity  $K_t$  has the form  $\frac{E(s)}{\theta(s)} =$
- (A)  $K_t$  (B)  $\frac{s}{K_t}$   
 (C)  $\frac{K_t}{s}$  (D)  $sK_t$
- g. The LVDT is primarily used for the measurement of
- (A) displacement (B) velocity  
 (C) acceleration (D) humidity
- h. Consider the function  $F(s) = \frac{5}{s(s^2 + s + 2)}$ , where  $F(s)$  is the Laplace transform of  $f(t)$ .  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t)$  is equal to
- (A) 5. (B)  $\frac{5}{2}$ .  
 (C) zero. (D) infinity.
- i. Routh-Hurwitz criterion applied to the characteristic equation  $s^3 + 2s^2 + 3s + 6 = 0$  shows that the system is
- (A) absolutely stable (B) unstable  
 (C) marginally stable (D) conditionally stable
- j. A system for which the steady state error is a finite constant for a unit step input is of type
- (A) 1 (B) 2  
 (C) 0 (D) 1 or 2

**Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.**

**Each question carries 16 marks.**

- Q.2** a. Consider the mechanical system of Fig.2a. Obtain the transfer function  $G(s) = \frac{X(s)}{F(s)}$ , assuming zero initial conditions. Draw the corresponding electric network using the force-voltage analogy.
- (8)



- b. Obtain the transfer-function model as the overall block-diagram for the electric network of Fig.2b and also its mechanical equivalent. (8)

- Q.3 a. By block-diagram reduction technique, obtain the overall transfer function for Fig.3a. (8)

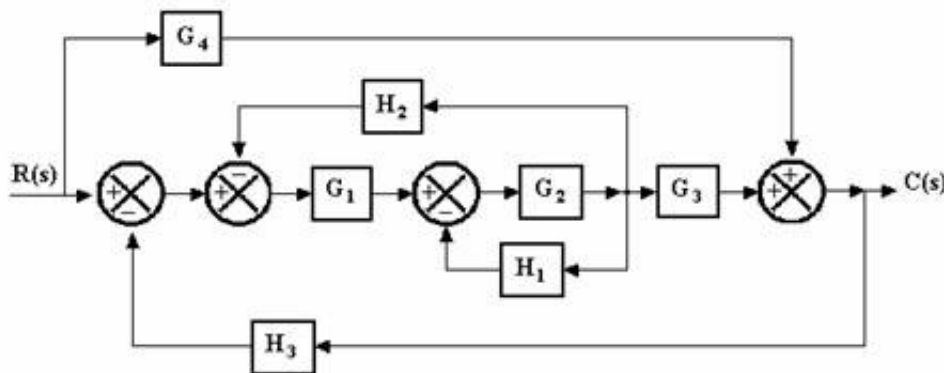


Fig.3a

- b. Draw the equivalent signal-flow graph for the block-diagram of Fig.3b, and then apply Mason's general gain rule to get the overall transfer function. (8)

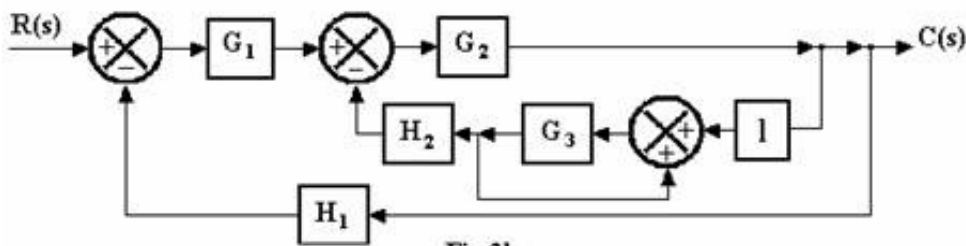


Fig.3b

- Q.4 a. The characteristic equation of a control system is given as  $s^4 + ks^3 + s^2 + s + 1 = 0$ . Determine the range of 'k' for stability using Routh-Hurwitz criterion. (8)

- b. The closed-loop transfer-function of a second order system is given by

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 2\xi\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$$

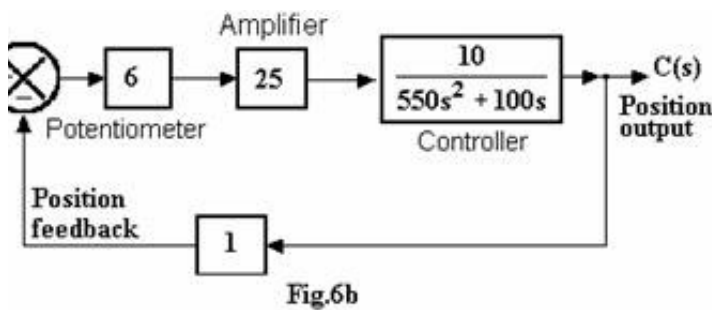
, where  $\omega_n$  is the undamped natural frequency and  $\xi$  the damping ratio. Show that for a unit step input  $r(t)=u(t)$ , the output  $c(t)$  may be represented as the sum of steady-state and transient response. (8)

- Q.5** a. The open-loop transfer function of a system is  $G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s+2)}$ . Sketch the root-locus on a graph-sheet and indicate the points for  $K=0,1,2$ . Find the damping ratio  $\xi$  for  $K=2$ . Is the system stable for  $K=2$ ? **(8)**
- b. For a feedback control system with open-loop transfer function  $G(s)$  and feedback  $H(s)$ , derive the expression for steady-state error  $e_{ss}$ . Obtain  $e_{ss}$  in terms of position error constant  $K_p$ , velocity error constant  $K_v$  and acceleration error constant  $K_a$ , respectively, for input  $r(t)=u(t)$ ,  $t$   $u(t)$  and  $t^2/2$ . **(8)**

- Q.6** a. Using Nyquist Criterion, determine whether the closed-loop system is stable:

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

- b. The block-diagram of a remote position control of a ship's rudder is given in Fig.6b. Write the overall transfer-function and determine the damping ratio  $\xi$  and the natural frequency  $\omega_n$  of the system. **(6)**



- Q.7** a. A control system  $G(s)H(s) = \frac{K(1+0.1s)}{s(1+0.2s)(1+s)}$  has unity feedback. Draw the Bode plots on a semilog graph sheet and determine:
- gain crossover frequency and phase-margin
  - phase crossover frequency and gain margin
- (10)**
- b. Fig.7b shows the Bode asymptote plot. Determine the open-loop transfer function  $G(s)$  of the system. **(6)**

**Q.8 a.** Describe the P performance (8)

b. Obtain the tra

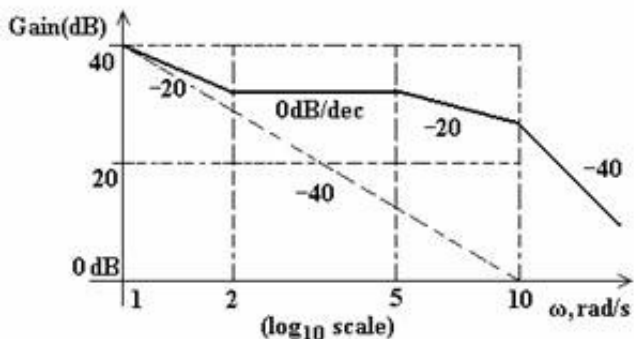


Fig. 7b

time constant  $\tau = 1/\omega_1$  and  $\tau = 1/\omega_2$ . Draw the pole-zero plot of the transfer function. (8)

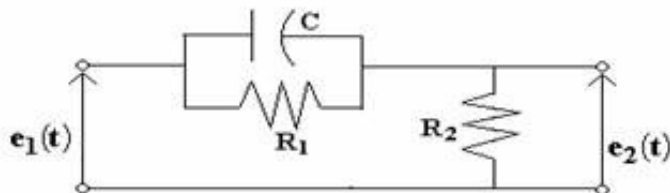


Fig.8b

**Q.9** Write short note on any **TWO**:-

- (i) Synchronous transmitter
- (ii) Controller tuning
- (iii) Digital computer as compensation devices.

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