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TITLE OF PAPER: LINEAR SYSTEMS

COURSE CODE: E352

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. There are FIVE questions in this paper. Answer Question 1 and any other TWO questions.**
- 2. Question one carries 50 marks while the other questions carry 25 marks each.**
- 3. A table of "Laplace Transforms of Selected Functions" and graphs of "Normalized Response of a Second Order System to a Unit Step Input" are attached.**

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (50 marks)

- (a) Write down a mathematical expression for an oscillatory signal whose amplitude increases linearly with time. (3 marks)
- (b) Write down an expression for a waveform whose phase is -60° at $t=0$ and whose amplitude decays exponentially with a time-constant of 1.5 s. (4 marks)
- (c) Write down the transfer function of a first-order system with a d.c. gain of 2 and a time-constant of 0.7 s. (4 marks)
- (d) Obtain a differential equation relating the output voltage $v_o(t)$ to the input voltage $v_i(t)$ in the circuit shown in Fig. 1.1. No other variables should appear in your expression, (6 marks)

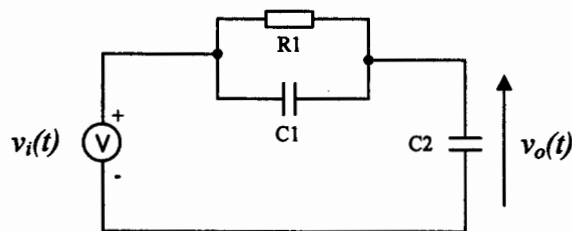


Fig. 1.1

- (e) The output $x(t)$ of a linear system with an input impulse input $\delta(t)$ is described by the equation:

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 8\frac{dx}{dt} + 15x = \delta(t)$$

with the initial conditions $\dot{x}(0) = x(0) = 0$. Solve for $x(t)$. (6 marks)

- (f) A causal signal $f(t)$ whose Laplace Transform is $F(s)$ is passed through a pure delay system with time delay T . The signal amplitude is not affected by the system. Write down an expression for the output signal in the time domain and derive the Laplace Transform of the output signal. (5 marks)

Question One (continued)

- (g) The input voltage v_{in} volts and angular speed $\Omega(t)$ of a motor are related by the equation:

$$\frac{d\Omega}{dt} + 0.2\Omega = v_{in}$$

The motor is initially at rest and a 50 V step voltage is applied. Find how long the motor takes to reach 90% of its final speed and in addition find its final speed in revolutions per minute. (9 marks)

- (h) The pole zero diagram of a system is shown in Fig.1.2. Find the transfer function of the system. (4 marks)

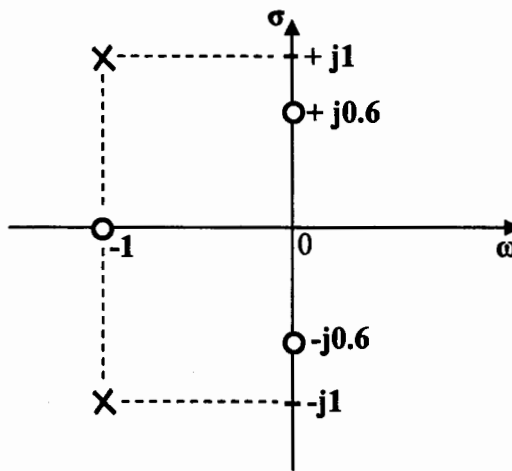


Fig. 1.2

- (i) Draw a block diagram of a system represented by the following equations:

$$X_1 - \frac{1}{20}X_4 = X_3 \text{ and } 40X_3 = X_4 \text{ and } X_2 = 10X_3 + 30X_4$$

where X_1 is the input and X_2 is the output.

Reduce your block diagram to get the gain, X_2/X_1 , of the system. (9 marks)

QUESTION TWO (25 marks)

- (a) The voltage $v(t)$ across, and the current $i(t)$ in a circuit component are given by:

$$v(t) = 3e^{-5t} \cos\left(4t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$i(t) = 6e^{-5t} \cos\left(4t - \frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

Find the impedance of the component and find its equivalent circuit in terms of lumped RLC elements. (11 marks)

- (b) Find the poles and zeros of the transfer function of the circuit shown in Fig. 2.1.

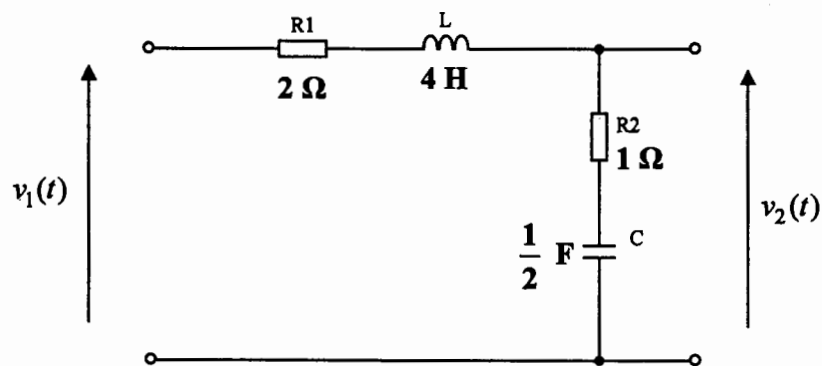


Fig. 2.1

QUESTION THREE (25 marks)

Fig. 3.1 represents a “times 10” oscilloscope probe. The capacitor C_1 is adjusted so that $R_1 C_1 = R_2 C_2$. V_1 is the voltage being measured and V_o is the voltage appearing at the oscilloscope input channel.

- (a) Obtain the transfer function $V_o(s)/V_1(s)$ of the probe, and show that the probe behaves like a first-order system. (15 marks)
- (b) Find the time constant. (5 marks)
- (c) Find the steady state gain and show that the displayed voltage V_o must be multiplied by 10 to get the value of the voltage being measured V_1 . (5 marks)

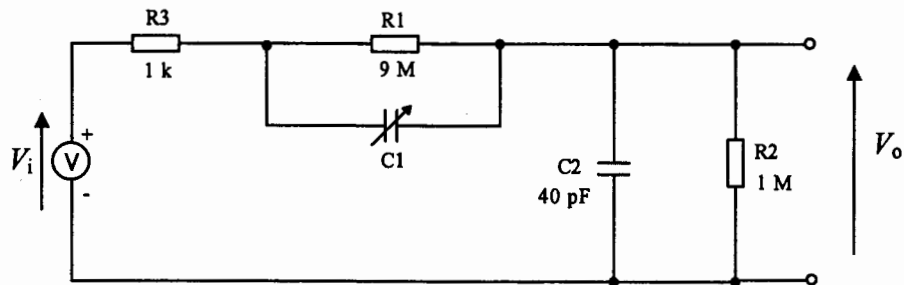


Fig.3.1

QUESTION FOUR (25 marks)

In the circuit shown in Fig. 4.1 the input is the voltage $v_1(t)$ and the output is the current $i_2(t)$. Choose state variables, and derive the state equation and the output equation, expressing your result in matrix form. (25 marks)

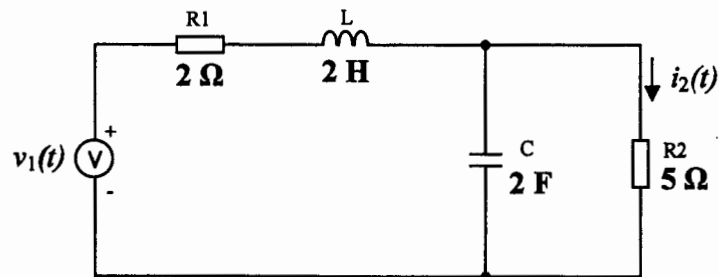


Fig. 4.1

QUESTION FIVE (25 marks)

A control system is represented by the block diagram in Fig.5.1

If the input is a step command of amplitude A ,

- Find the steady state value and the steady state error at the output of the system. (9 marks)
- Show that the system is oscillatory with damped oscillations. (4 marks)
- Find the frequency of the damped oscillations. (4 marks)
- Find the Percentage peak overshoot. (4 marks)
- Find the settling time to within 2% of the steady state value. (4 marks)

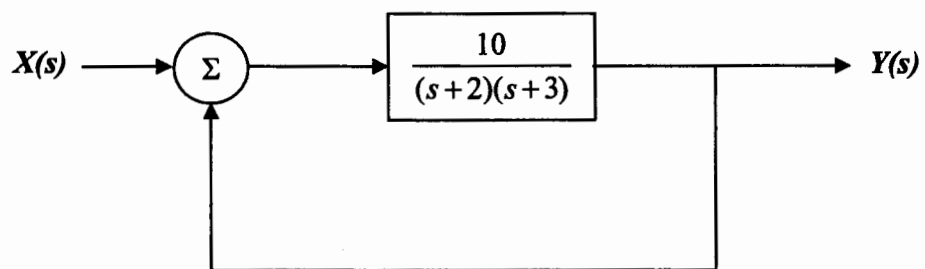
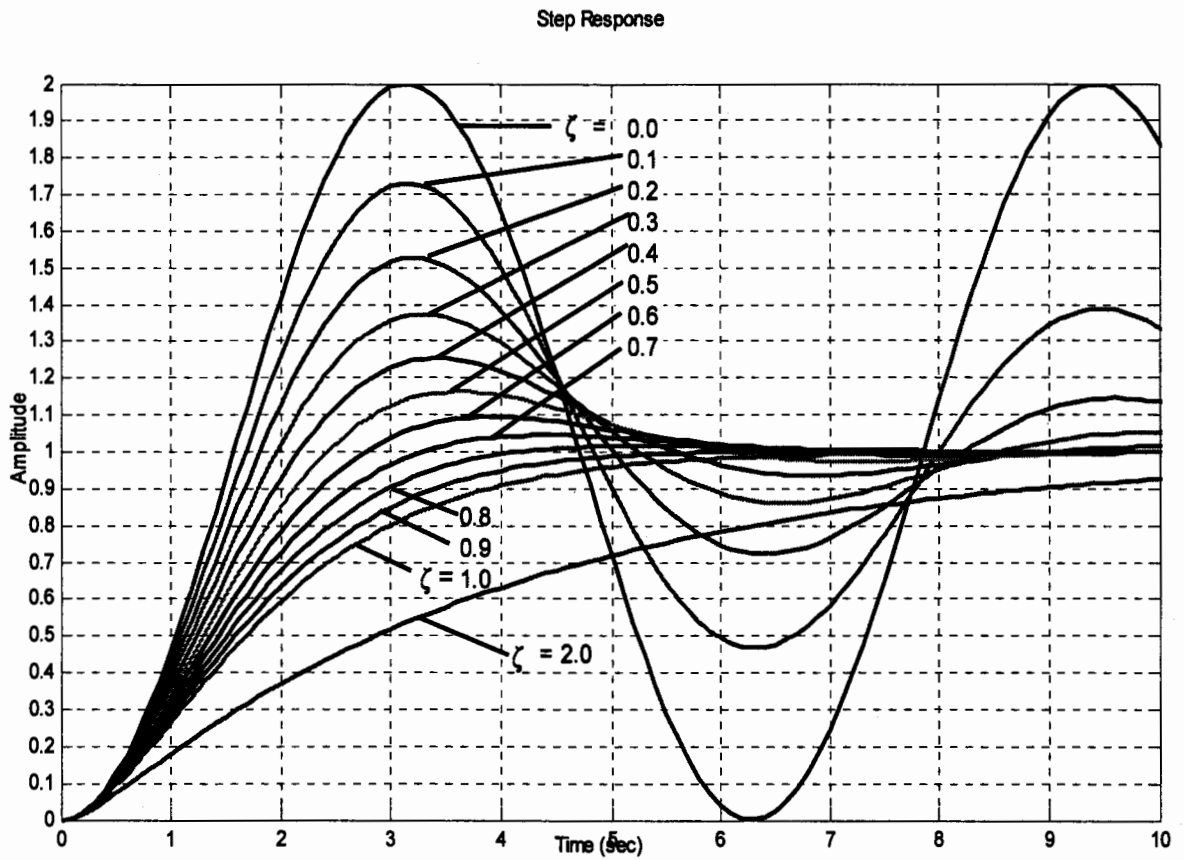


Fig. 5.1

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NORMALIZED RESPONSE OF A SECOND ORDER SYSTEM TO A UNIT STEP INPUT**STANDARD FORM OF A SECOND-ORDER SYSTEM**

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\zeta\omega_n \frac{dy}{dt} + \omega_n^2 y = k\omega_n^2$$

TABLE OF LAPLACE TRANSFORMS OF SELECTED FUNCTIONS

$f(t), t > 0$	$F(s)$
$\delta(t)$	1
$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
$e^{-\alpha t}$	$\frac{1}{s + \alpha}$
$\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
t	$\frac{1}{s^2}$
$\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{at} f(t)$	$F(s - a)$
$\frac{t}{2\omega} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{s}{(s^2 + \omega^2)^2}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega^2}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \cos \omega t$	$\frac{(s + \alpha)}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega^2}$