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TITLE OF PAPER : **CONTROL SYSTEMS I**

COURSE NUMBER : **E430**

TIME ALLOWED : **THREE HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1 CARRIES 40 MARKS

QUESTION 2, 3, 4, AND 5 CARRY 20 MARKS EACH.

MARKS FOR DIFFERENT SECTIONS ARE SHOWN IN THE RIGHT-HAND MARGIN

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Partial Table of z- and s-Transforms

$f(t)$	$F(s)$	$F(z)$	$f(kT)$
1. $u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$\frac{z}{z-1}$	$u(kT)$
2. t	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$\frac{Tz}{(z-1)^2}$	kT
3. t^n	$\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}$	$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{da^n} \left[\frac{z}{z - e^{-aT}} \right]$	$(kT)^n$
4. e^{-at}	$\frac{1}{s+a}$	$\frac{z}{z - e^{-aT}}$	e^{-akT}
5. $t^n e^{-at}$	$\frac{n!}{(s+a)^{n+1}}$	$(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{da^n} \left[\frac{z}{z - e^{-aT}} \right]$	$(kT)^n e^{-akT}$
6. $\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\frac{z \sin \omega T}{z^2 - 2z \cos \omega T + 1}$	$\sin \omega kT$
7. $\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\frac{z(z - \cos \omega T)}{z^2 - 2z \cos \omega T + 1}$	$\cos \omega kT$
8. $e^{-at} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$\frac{ze^{-aT} \sin \omega T}{z^2 - 2ze^{-aT} \cos \omega T + e^{-2aT}}$	$e^{-akT} \sin \omega kT$
9. $e^{-at} \cos \omega t$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$\frac{z^2 - ze^{-aT} \cos \omega T}{z^2 - 2ze^{-aT} \cos \omega T + e^{-2aT}}$	$e^{-akT} \cos \omega kT$
10.		$\frac{z}{z+a}$	$a^k \cos k\pi$

z-Transform Theorems

Theorem	Name
1. $z\{af(t)\} = aF(z)$	Linearity theorem
2. $z\{f_1(t) + f_2(t)\} = F_1(z) + F_2(z)$	Linearity theorem
3. $z\{e^{-at} f(t)\} = F(e^{aT} z)$	Complex differentiation
4. $z\{f(t - nT)\} = z^{-n} F(z)$	Real translation
5. $z\{t f(t)\} = -Tz \frac{dF(z)}{dz}$	Complex differentiation
6. $f(0) \doteq \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} F(z)$	Initial value theorem
7. $f(\infty) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (1 - z^{-1})F(z)$	Final value theorem

Note: kT may be substituted for t in the table.

Question 1

A) A laser printer uses a laser beam to print copy rapidly for a computer. The laser is positioned by a control input, $r(t)$ which is the desired position of the laser beam.

$$Y(s) = \frac{5(s+100)}{s^2 + 60s + 500} R(s).$$

- (I) If $r(t)$ is a unit step input find the output $y(t)$. [6 marks]
(II) What is the final value of $y(t)$? [2 marks]
(III) What is the rise time of $y(t)$? [8 marks]

B) Use the input feed-forward format to determine a state space representation for a system with the transfer function

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{(s+10)^2}{s^4 + 12s^3 + 23s^2 + 34s + 40} \quad [12 \text{ marks}]$$

C) A feedback control system has a process transfer function $G(s) = \frac{K(s+40)}{s(s+10)}$

and a feedback transfer function $H(s) = \frac{1}{s+20}$

- (I) Determine the limiting value of gain K for a stable system. [6 marks]
(II) For the gain K that results in marginal stability system, determine the magnitude of the imaginary roots. [2 marks]
(III) Determine the steady state error. [4 marks]

Question 2

A unity feedback system has $GH(s) = \frac{K(s+10)}{(s+2)(s+5)}$

Find

- A) the breakaway points on the real axis and the gain K for this point, [6 marks]
B) the gain and the roots when two roots lie on the imaginary axis. [7 marks]
C) Sketch the root locus. [7 marks]

Question 3

Consider a system as shown below in Figure 3 with a zero-order hold, a plant

$$G_p(s) = \frac{1}{s(s+10)}$$

and $T=1$ seconds.

- A) (I) Let $D(Z) = K$ and determine the transfer function $G(s)D(z)$. [6 marks]
(II) Calculate the maximum value of K for a stable system. [8 marks]

- B) Determine $D(z)$ from $G_c(s) = 100 \frac{s+50}{s+100}$ when $T=0.01$ seconds [6 marks]

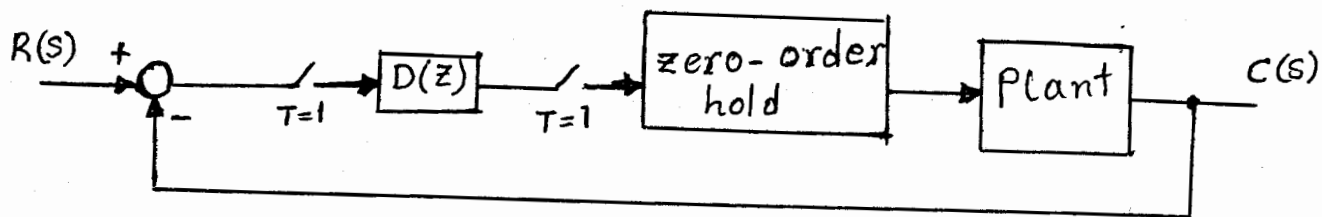
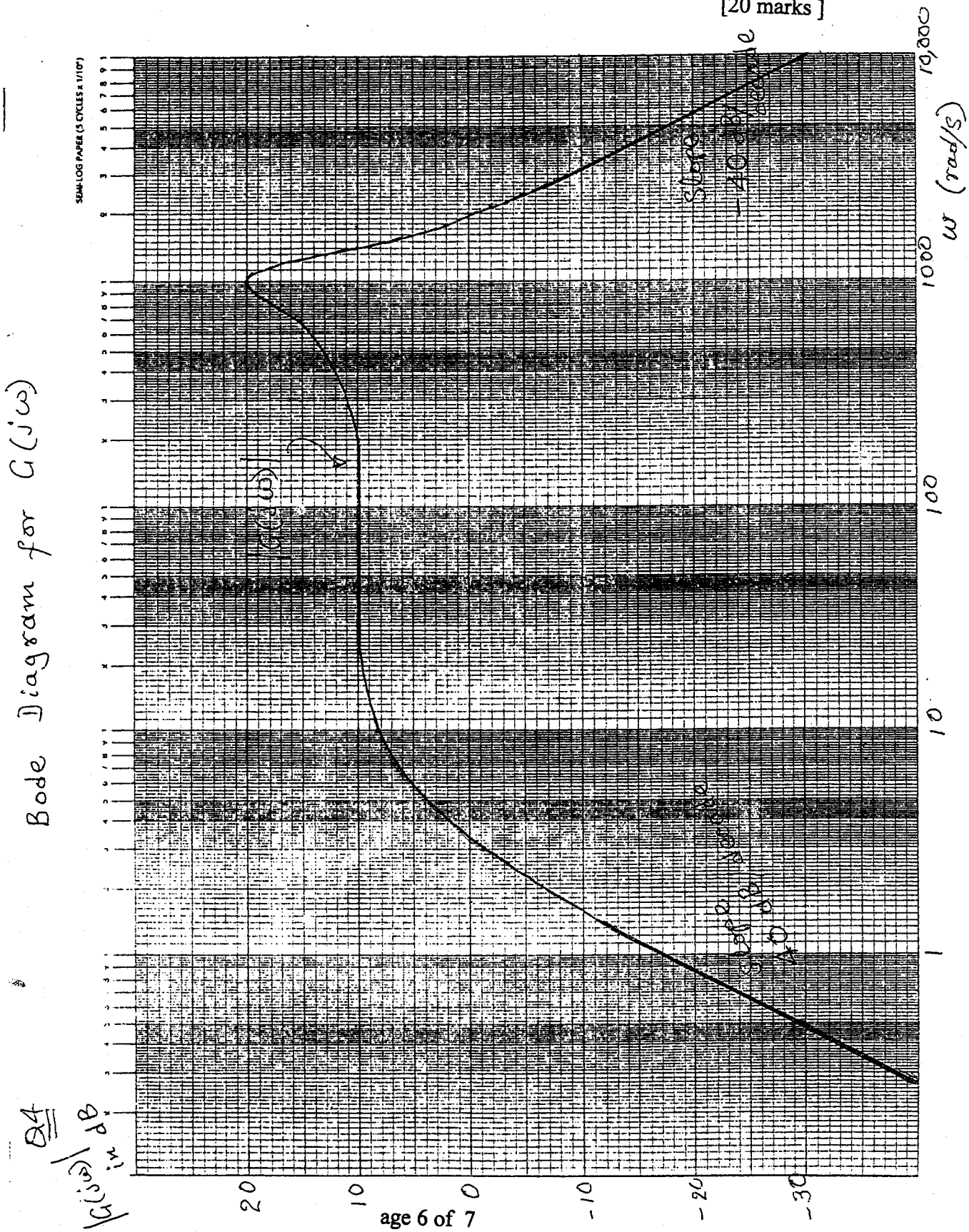


Figure 3

Question 4

Determine the transfer function $G(s)$, bandwidth and gain cross-over frequency from the Bode diagram shown below. [20 marks]



Question 5

- A) When is phase-lag compensation not applicable? [3 marks]
- B) What are the two disadvantages of phase-lead compensation? [6 marks]
- C) Why are pneumatic controllers popular in industry? [3 marks]
- D) Write down the equation for a PID controller and define all the necessary terms and constants [8 marks]