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This examination paper consists of 6 pages

**Time Allowed: 3 hours**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Special Requirements: Table of Laplace and Z Transform pairs**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. The question paper comprises of section **A** and section **B**.
2. Section **A** carries a total of 60 marks, and each question from section **B** carries 20 marks.
3. Answer **ALL** questions in section **A** and **any TWO** questions from section **B**.
4. Show your steps clearly in any calculation.
5. Start the answers for each question on a fresh page.

## SECTION A (Answer all questions).

### Question A1

For the following dynamic system:

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & \alpha \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \bar{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0] \bar{x}$$

where  $\alpha = 0$ ,

- a) determine the transfer function  $\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)}$  of the system [9 marks]  
b) what are the eigenvalues of the system? [3 marks]

### Question A2

For the following dynamic system,

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{A}\bar{x} + \bar{B}u$$

$$y = \bar{C}\bar{x}$$

$$\text{where } \bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{C} = [1 \quad 2]$$

- a) Determine the transition matrix  $\bar{\Phi}(t)$  for the system. [7 marks]  
b) If the states  $\bar{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , determine the time response of the output  $y(t)$  [3 marks]

### Question A3

For the following dynamic system determine the matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{k}}$  for a state feedback system with poles at  $s = -4, -6$

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \bar{C} = [1 \quad 0] \quad [9 \text{ marks}]$$

### Question A4

In the system shown in figure QA4,  $D(z) = \frac{3-3z^{-1}+z^{-2}}{1-z^{-1}}$ ,  $G(s) = \frac{e^{-s}}{s+1}$  and  $H(s) = \frac{1}{s}$ . Determine the transfer function for the system. [13 marks]

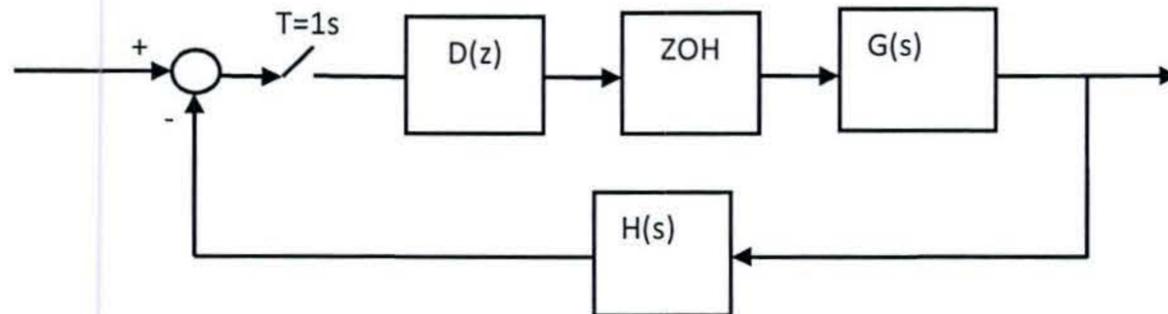


Figure QA4

### Question A5

The transfer function of a discrete system is  $G(z) = \frac{z^2-2z+2}{z^3+2.1z^2+1.6z-0.4}$ . Investigate the stability of the system. [8 marks]

### Question A6

In a unity feedback sampled-data system, the Z transfer function of the process preceded by a ZOH is given  $G(z) = \frac{1.264}{z^2(z-0.368)}$ . The digital control algorithm is  $u(k) = 2e(k) - 0.6u(k-1) - 0.4u(k-2)$ .

Find

- the steady state error for a step input
- the steady state error for a ramp input

[8 marks]

## SECTION B (Answer any two questions only).

### Question B1

For the following dynamic system,  $\dot{x} = \bar{A}x + \bar{B}u$  and  $y = \bar{C}x$ , where  $\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\bar{C} = [1 \ 0]$ ,

Determine a suitable state-feedback vector  $\bar{k}$  and forward path gain  $K$  to ensure closed-loop poles at  $s = -1 \pm j$  and steady-state gain equal to 5. [20 marks]

### Question B2

For the sampled data system in figure QB2,  $T = 0.5$  seconds and  $D(z)$  is a **PI** controller, i.e.  $D(z) = k \frac{z-\lambda}{(z-1)}$  with  $k$  and  $\lambda$  are to be determined to give 8 samples per damped oscillation and dominant poles with a damping ratio  $\zeta = 0.5$ .

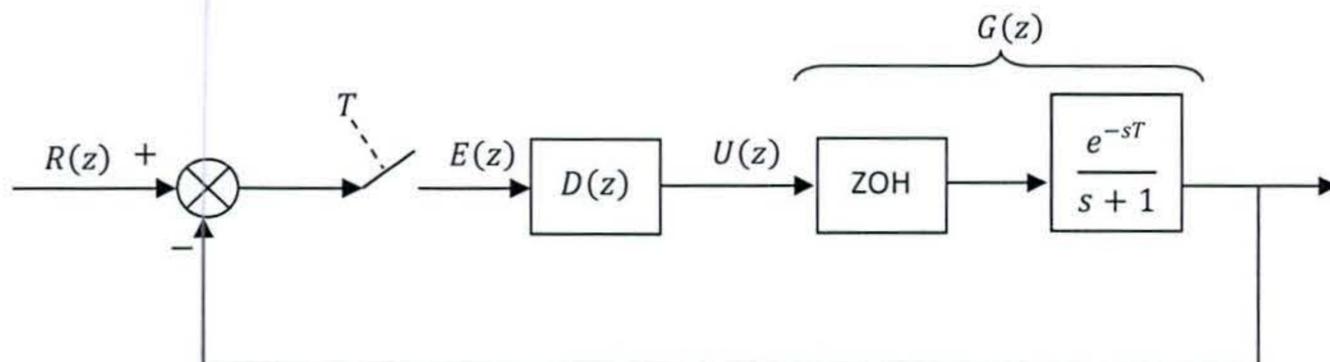


Figure QB2

Design the controller  $D(z)$

[20 marks]

### Question B3

The system shown in Figure QB3 is to have dominant poles with a damping ratio of 0.5 and a settling time of 2 seconds.

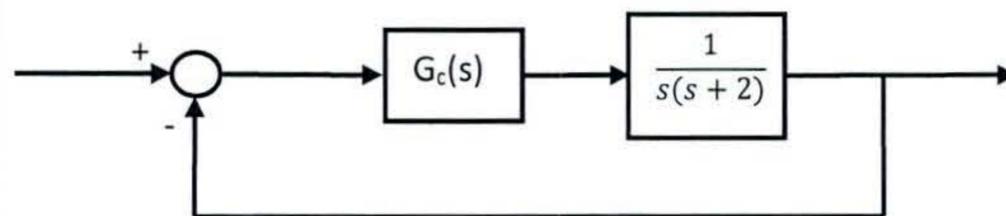


Figure QB3

- What are the values of  $\omega_n$  and  $\omega_d$ ? [6 marks]
- To turn this system into a discrete one, choose a sampling period which will sample 10 times each damped period and give the corresponding ZOH approximation. [5 marks]
- A suitable controller is then given by  $G_c(s) = \frac{20(s+2)}{s+7}$ . Turn this into an equivalent digital algorithm using a suitable transform method. [7 marks]
- What are the advantages of Transform methods in designing discrete controllers? [2 marks]

# Appendix A: List of Formulae

State space TF:  $G(s) = \frac{\bar{c} \text{adj}[s\bar{I} - \bar{A}] \bar{B}}{\det[s\bar{I} - \bar{A}]}$

Ackerman's Formulae:  $\bar{k} = [0 \quad \dots \quad 1] \bar{Q}^{-1} \Delta_d(\bar{A})$

Settling time:  $T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta \omega_n}$

Damped frequency:  $\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$

Position of dominant poles:  $|z| = e^{-\left(\frac{2\pi\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \times \frac{\omega_d}{\omega_s}\right)}$  and  $\angle z = \pm 2\pi \frac{\omega_d}{\omega_s}$

ZOH approximation:  $= \frac{1+Ts}{1-Ts}$

Bilinear Method:  $D(z) = G_c(s) \Big|_{s=\frac{2(1-z^{-1})}{T(1+z^{-1})}}$

Backward Difference Method:  $D(z) = G_c(s) \Big|_{s=\frac{1-z^{-1}}{T}}$

**Appendix B: Table of Laplace and z-Transform Pairs**

$f(t)$	$F(s)$	$f(k) = f(kT)$	$F(z)$
1. impulse, $\delta(t)$	1	$\delta(k)$	1
2. unit step, $u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$	$u(k) = 1$	$\frac{z}{z-1} = \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}$
3. shifted impulse, $\delta(t - nT)$	$e^{-nsT}$	$\delta(kT - nT)$	$z^{-n}$
4. unit ramp, $t$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$kT$	$\frac{Tz}{(z-1)^2}$
5. parabola, $t^2$	$\frac{2}{s^3}$	$(kT)^2$	$\frac{T^2 z(z+1)}{(z-1)^3}$
6. exponential, $e^{\pm at}$	$\frac{1}{s \mp a}$	$e^{\pm akT}$	$\frac{z}{z - e^{\pm aT}} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{\pm aT} z^{-1}}$
7. $e^{-at} f(t)$	$F(s+a)$	$e^{-akT} f(kT)$	$F(z e^{aT})$
8.		$c^k$	$\frac{z}{z-c} = \frac{1}{1-cz^{-1}}$
9. $t f(t)$	$-\frac{dF(s)}{ds}$	$kT f(kT)$	$-Tz \frac{dF(z)}{dz}$
10. $\frac{1}{t} f(t)$	$\int_s^\infty F(s') ds'$	$\frac{1}{kT} f(kT)$	$-\frac{1}{T} \int \frac{F(z)}{z} dz$
11. $\sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\sin \omega kT$	$\frac{z \sin \omega T}{z^2 - 2z \cos \omega T + 1}$
12. $\cos \omega t$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$	$\cos \omega kT$	$\frac{z(z - \cos \omega T)}{z^2 - 2z \cos \omega T + 1}$
13. $e^{-at} \sin \omega t$	$\frac{\omega}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$e^{-akT} \sin \omega kT$	$\frac{ze^{-akT} \sin \omega T}{[z - e^{(-a+j\omega)T}][z - e^{(-a-j\omega)T}]}$
14. $e^{-at} \cos \omega t$	$\frac{s+a}{(s+a)^2 + \omega^2}$	$e^{-akT} \cos \omega kT$	$\frac{z(z - e^{-akT} \cos \omega T)}{[z - e^{(-a+j\omega)T}][z - e^{(-a-j\omega)T}]}$
15. $\frac{e^{-at} - e^{-bt}}{b-a}$	$\frac{1}{(s+a)(s+b)}$		
16. $\frac{\omega}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} e^{-\zeta\omega t} \sin[\omega\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}t]$	$\frac{\omega^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta\omega s + \omega^2}$		
17. time advance, $f(t+T)$	$F(s) e^{sT}$	$f(kT + T)$	$z[F(z) - f(0)]$
18. double time advance, $f(t+2T)$	$F(s) e^{2sT}$	$f(kT + 2T)$	$z^2[F(z) - f(0)] - zF(T)$
19. general time advance, $f(t+nT)$	$F(s) e^{nsT}$	$f(kT + nT)$	$z^n F(z) - z^n f(0) - z^{-1} f(T) \dots - z f(nT - T)$
20. general time retard, $f(t-nT)$	$F(s) e^{-nsT}$	$f(kT - nT)$	$z^{-n} F(z)$ , one sided

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