

**III B.Tech II Semester Supplementary Examinations, Aug/Sep 2008**  
**PROCESS DYNAMICS AND CONTROL**  
**(Chemical Engineering)**

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Answer any FIVE Questions  
 All Questions carry equal marks

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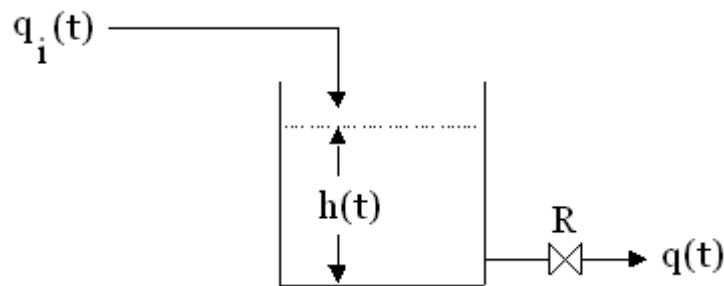


Figure 1

2. Assuming the flow in the manometer to be laminar and the steady-state friction for drag force in laminar flow to apply at each instant, determine a transfer function between the applied pressure  $P_1$  and the manometer reading  $h$ . It will simplify the calculations if, for inertial terms, the velocity profile is assumed to be flat. From transfer function, written in the standard second order form, list
- the steady state gain,
  - $\tau$  and
  - $\zeta$
- Comment on these parameters as they are related to the physical nature of the problem. [4+4+4+4]
3. (a) Give the advantages and disadvantages of pneumatic controllers with electronic controller.
- (b) Define proportional band and gain of a controller. How are they related. [8+8]
4. (a) Develop the block diagram of a generalized feed back control system with one disturbance, incorporating in each block the appropriate transfer function and on each stream the appropriate variable. [8]
- (b) Develop the closed loop responses for set point and load changes. [4+4]
5. (a) Discuss how Routh test used for determining the stability of a control system for a general polynomial characteristic equation

(b) Write about the draw backs of Routh test and how are they overcome. [10+6]

6. Sketch the root loci for the control system having the characteristics equation

$$1 + \frac{K}{(s+1)(s+2)(s+4)} = 0$$

Locate quantitatively all the poles, zeros, asymptotes, break away point and imaginary axis cutting points [16]

7. For the transfer function shown below, sketch the gain versus frequency portion of the asymptotic plot of the Bode diagram. Determine the actual value of gain and phase angle at  $\omega = 1$  Determine the phase angle as  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$

$$G(s) = \frac{2(0.1s + 1)}{s^2(10s + 1)}$$

Indicate very clearly the slopes of the asymptotic bode diagram of G(s) [16]

8. (a) Explain feedforward control using a neat schematic.  
(b) Present a comparative analysis of feedforward and feedback strategies [8+8]

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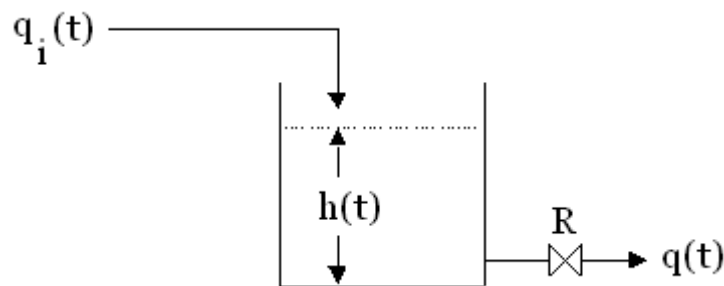


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2. An under damped second order system is represented by the transfer function  $\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{1}{\tau^2 s^2 + 2\zeta s + 1}$ . The input is subjected to a disturbance of the form  $X(t) = U(t)$  ( Unit step function ) Derive, the expression for the response  $Y(t)$ , and obtain the expression for overshoot. [10+6]
3. Develop the block diagram of closed loop reactor control system and derive the transfer functions of different components. Describe the system in detail. [16]
4. (a) Develop the block diagram of a generalized feed back control system with one disturbance, incorporating in each block the appropriate transfer function and on each stream the appropriate variable. [8]  
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5. (a) Discuss how Routh test used for determining the stability of a control system for a general polynomial characteristic equation  
 (b) Write about the draw backs of Routh test and how are they overcome. [10+6]
6. Discuss the rules for plotting root - locus diagrams in detail. [16]
7. Define the frequency response analysis. What means could you use to represent the results of the frequency response analysis for a dynamic system? [16]
8. Explain how dead time compensation can be made when the process contains large transportation lag. [16]

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1. (a) What is a transfer function? How is it useful in solving problems of process dynamics? How do you represent the transfer function by a block diagram?  
 (b) A temperature sensing device can be modeled as a first order system with a time constant of 6 sec. It is suddenly subjected to a step input change of 25<sup>0</sup> C to 150<sup>0</sup> C. What temperature will be indicated after 10 sec. [8+8]
2. Two non-interacting tanks are connected in series. The transfer function relating the level,  $h_2$  in the second tank to the inflow,  $q$  to the first tank is given by the following transfer function,

$$\frac{H_2(s)}{Q(s)} = \frac{R_2}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$$

The time constants are  $\tau_1=0.5$  seconds and  $\tau_2=1$  seconds, and the resistance to out flow  $R_2 = 1$ . Sketch the response of the level in tank 2 if a unit step change is made in inlet flow rate to tank 1. [16]

3. The transfer function of PD controller in industry is given by  $\frac{P}{\epsilon} = K_c \frac{\tau_D s + 1}{(\tau_D/\beta)s + 1}$  where  $\beta$  is a constant. If a unit step change in error is introduced into the controller show that  $P(t) = K_c(1 + Ae^{-\beta t/\tau_D})$ , where A is a function of  $\beta$ . [16]
4. (a) Develop the block diagram of a generalized feed back control system with one disturbance, incorporating in each block the appropriate transfer function and on each stream the appropriate variable. [8]  
 (b) Develop the closed loop responses for set point and load changes. [4+4]
5. (a) Discuss the theorems of the Routh test  
 (b) For characteristic equation  $s^4 + 6s^3 + 11s^2 + 36s + 120 = 0$ , determine the stability using Routh Criterion. [8+8]
6. Discuss the rules for plotting root - locus diagrams in detail. [16]
7. Write briefly on the following.  
 (a) Gain and phase margins  
 (b) Frequency response for process control. [8+8]
8. (a) Explain ratio control in detail with a neat schematic diagram.  
 (b) Quote some commonly encountered examples from chemical industry where ratio control can be used. [8+8]

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1. (a) What is a first order system ? What are its characteristic parameters ? Define the time constant and rise time for a first order system.
- (b) An isothermal, constant hold up, constant through put CSTR with a first order irreversible reaction is described by

$$\frac{dC_A}{dt} + \left( \frac{F}{V} + k \right) C_A = \frac{F}{V} C_{Ao}$$

Assuming F, V, and k as constants, derive an expression for the solution of reactant concentration  $C_A$  for a step change in feed concentration  $C_{Ao}$ . [8+8]

2. Define and discuss the following terms:

- (a) Quadratic lag
- (b) Dead time
- (c) Period of oscillation
- (d) Natural period of oscillation. [4+4+4+4]

3. Discuss the working principle & mechanism of pneumatic PID controller with the help of a neat schematic diagram [16]

4. (a) Develop the block diagram of a generalized feed back control system with one disturbance, incorporating in each block the appropriate transfer function and on each stream the appropriate variable. [8]

- (b) Develop the closed loop responses for set point and load changes. [4+4]

5. For the control system whose characteristic equation is  $s^4 + 4s^3 + 6s^2 + 4s + (1 + K) = 0$

- (a) Determine the value of K above which the system is unstable.
- (b) Determine the value of K for which two of the roots are on the imaginary axis, and determine the value of these imaginary roots and the remaining two roots. [8+8]

6. Determine the stability of the following two systems given their characteristic equations

$$S^4 + 5S^3 + 3S^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$10S^3 + 17S^2 + 8S + 1 + K_c = 0$$

Using Root Locus method.

[8+8]

7. Plot the Bode diagram for the open loop transfer function of a control system given below which represents the PD control of three tanks in series; with transportation lag in the measuring element.

$$G(s) = \frac{10(0.5s + 1)e^{-s/10}}{(s + 1)^2(0.1s + 1)}$$

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