Homework 6 - Solutions

Note: This homework is worth a total of 45 points.

1. STEADY STATE ERROR ANALYSIS OF A UNITY FEEDBACK SYSTEM (5 POINTS) For the unity feedback system shown below, where



- (a) What is the expected percent overshoot for a unit step input?
- (b) What is the settling time for a unit step input?
- (c) What is the steady-state error for an input of 5u(t)?
- (d) What is the steady-state error for an input of 5tu(t)?
- (e) What is the steady-state error for an input of $5t^2u(t)$?

Solution: The closed-loop transfer function is given by:

$$T(s) = \frac{5000}{s^2 + 75s + 5000}$$

(a) From T(s), we can check that $\omega_n = \sqrt{5000}$ and $2\zeta\omega_n = 75$. Thus, $\zeta = 0.53$ and %OS is given by,

%OS =
$$e^{-\zeta \pi / \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} \times 100 = 14.01\%$$

- (b) $T_s = \frac{4}{\zeta \omega_n} = 0.107$ sec.
- (c) Error is given by:

$$E(s) = R(s) - C(s) = R(s) - \frac{R(s)C(s)}{R(s)} = R(s)(1 - T(s))$$
$$E(s) = R(s) \left(1 - \frac{5000}{s^2 + 75s + 5000}\right)$$

Now,

$$e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} sE(s) = s\frac{5}{s} \left(1 - \frac{5000}{s^2 + 75s + 5000} \right) = 0$$

(d) Using E(s) from above, the steady state error for a ramp input is given by:

$$e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} sE(s) = s\frac{5}{s^2} \left(1 - \frac{5000}{s^2 + 75s + 5000}\right) = 0.075$$

(e) Using E(s) from above, the steady state error for a parabolic input is given by:

$$e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} sE(s) = s\frac{5}{s^3} \left(1 - \frac{5000}{s^2 + 75s + 5000}\right) = \infty$$

2. STEADY STATE ERROR ANALYSIS OF A UNITY FEEDBACK SYSTEM (3 POINTS) Consider the unity feedback system shown in Problem 1. If G(s) is given as follows, find the value of α to yield a $K_v = 25000$.

$$G(s) = \frac{100500(s+5)(s+14)(s+23)}{s(s+27)(s+\alpha)(s+33)}$$

Solution: We know that $K_v = \lim_{s \to 0} sG(s)$, where G(s) is the open-loop transfer function. Thus,

$$K_v = \lim_{s \to 0} sG(s) = \lim_{s \to 0} s \frac{100500(s+5)(s+14)(s+23)}{s(s+27)(s+\alpha)(s+33)} = \frac{100500(5)(14)(23)}{27(\alpha)(33)} = 25000$$
$$\therefore \alpha = 7.26$$

3. Steady State Error Analysis (5 points)

For the system shown below,

- (a) Find K_p, K_v and K_a .
- (b) Find the steady-state error for an input of 50u(t), 50tu(t) and $50t^2u(t)$.
- (c) State the system type.



Solution: Let $G_e(s)$ be the equivalent open-loop transfer function, then

$$G_e(s) = \frac{\frac{5}{s(s+1)(s+2)}}{1 + \frac{5(s+3)}{s(s+1)(s+2)}} = \frac{5}{s^3 + 3s^2 + 7s + 15}$$

(a) Now, K_p, K_v and K_a can be calculated as follows

$$K_p = \lim_{s \to 0} G_e(s) = 0.33$$
$$K_v = \lim_{s \to 0} sG_e(s) = 0$$
$$K_a = \lim_{s \to 0} s^2 G_e(s) = 0$$

- (b) Using the values of K_p, K_v and K_a , we can find the steady-state errors as follows For $r(t) = 50u(t), e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \frac{50}{1 + K_p} = 37.5$ For $r(t) = 50tu(t), e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \frac{50}{K_v} = \infty$ For $r(t) = 50t^2u(t), e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \frac{50}{K_a} = \infty$
- (c) Since there are no pure integrations in the open-loop transfer function, the system is **Type 0**.

4. Steady State Error Analysis (5 points)

Given the system shown below, find the following

- (a) The closed-loop transfer function
- (b) The system type
- (c) The steady-state error for an input of 5u(t)
- (d) The steady-state error for an input of 5tu(t)
- (e) Discuss the validity of your answers to Parts c and d.



Solutions:

(a) For the inner loop:

$$G_1(s) = \frac{\frac{1}{s^2(s+1)}}{1 + \frac{1}{s^3(s+1)}} = \frac{s}{s^4 + s^3 + 1}$$

The equivalent open-loop transfer function $G_e(s)$ is then given by

$$G_e(s) = \frac{1}{s^2(s+3)}G_1(s) = \frac{1}{s(s^5+4s^4+3s^3+s+3)}$$
$$T(s) = \frac{G_e(s)}{1+G_e(s)} = \frac{1}{s^6+4s^5+3s^4+s^2+3s+1}$$

- (b) From inspection of $G_e(s)$, we can say that $K_p = \infty, K_v = \text{constant}$ and $K_a = 0$. Thus the system is **Type 1**.
- (c) Since the system is type 1, for r(t) = 5u(t), $e_{ss} = e(\infty) = 0$.
- (d) From $G_e(s)$, $K_v = \lim_{s \to 0} sG_e(s) = 1/3$. Therefore, $e_{ss} = 5/K_v = 15$.
- (e) Poles of closed-loop transfer function $T(s): -3.02, -1.32, 0.34 \pm j0.77, -0.35$. Since we have a

pair of complex poles in the RHP, the closed-loop system is unstable. Thus, our solutions for parts (c) and (d) are **meaningless**.

- 5. Steady State Error Analysis (10 points)
 - For each of the systems shown below, find the following
 - (a) The system type
 - (b) The appropriate static error constant
 - (c) The input waveform to yield a constant error
 - (d) The steady-state error for a unit input of the waveform found in Part c
 - (e) The steady-state value of the actuating signal.



Solutions:

System 1

Let G(s) be the feedforward transfer function and H(s) be the feedback transfer function. Then, the equivalent open-loop transfer function with unity feedback loop, $G_e(s)$ is given by:

$$G_e(s) = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s) - G(s)} = \frac{10(s+10)}{11s^2 + 132s + 300}$$

- (a) Since there are no pure integrators in $G_e(s)$, the system is **Type 0**.
- (b) K_p in type 0 systems is constant.

$$K_p = \lim_{s \to 0} G_e(s) = 0.33$$

(c) Type 0 systems require a **step input** for a constant error.

(d) For
$$r(t) = u(t), e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \frac{1}{1 + K_p} = 0.75$$

(e) Let $e_a(t)$ be the actuation signal. Then,

$$e_a(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{sR(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)} = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{10(s+10)(s+4)}{s(s+2)}} = 0$$

System 2

Let G(s) be the feedforward transfer function and H(s) be the feedback transfer function. Then, the equivalent open-loop transfer function with unity feedback loop, $G_e(s)$ is given by:

$$G_e(s) = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s) - G(s)} = \frac{10(s+10)}{s(11s+102)}$$

- (a) Since there is one pure integrator in $G_e(s)$, the system is **Type 1**.
- (b) K_v in type 1 systems is constant.

$$K_v = \lim_{s \to 0} sG_e(s) = 0.98$$

(c) Type 0 systems require a **ramp input** for a constant error.

(d) For
$$r(t) = tu(t), e_{ss} = e(\infty) = \frac{1}{K_v} = 1.02$$

(e) Let $e_a(t)$ be the actuation signal. Then,

$$e_a(\infty) = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{sR(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)} = \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{s\frac{1}{s^2}}{1 + \frac{10(s+10)(s+1)}{s(s+2)}} = \frac{1}{50}$$

6. Sensitivity Of Steady State Error (3 points)

For the system shown below, find the sensitivity of the steady-state error for changes in K_1 and in K_2 , when $K_1 = 100$ and $K_2 = 0.1$. Assume step inputs for both the input and the disturbance.



$$e(\infty) = 1 - \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{\frac{K_1 K_2}{s+2}}{1 + \frac{K_1 K_2 (s+1)}{s+2}} - \lim_{s \to 0} \frac{\frac{K_2}{s+2}}{1 + \frac{K_1 K_2 (s+1)}{s+2}} = \frac{2 - K_2}{2 + K_1 K_2}$$

Sensitivity to K_1 :

$$S_{e:K_1} = \frac{K_1}{e} \frac{\partial e}{\partial K_1} = -\frac{K_1 K_2}{2 + K_1 K_2} = -\frac{(100)(0.1)}{2 + (100)(0.1)} = -0.833$$

Sensitivity to K_2 :

$$S_{e:K_2} = \frac{K_2}{e} \frac{\partial e}{\partial K_2} = \frac{2K_2(1+K_1)}{(K_2-2)(2+K_1K_2)} = \frac{2(0.1)(1+100)}{(0.1-2)(2+10)} = -0.89$$

7. ROOT LOCI INSPECTION (8 POINTS)

For each of the root loci shown below, tell whether or not the sketch can be a root locus. If the sketch cannot be a root locus, explain why. Give **all** reasons.



Solutions:

- (a) No. Root Locus is always symmetric about the real axis.
- (b) No. Root Locus is always to the left of an odd number of poles or zeros on the real axis.
- (c) No. Root Locus is always to the left of an odd number of poles or zeros on the real axis.
- (d) Yes.
- (e) No. Root Locus is always symmetric about the real axis. Root Locus is always to the left of an odd number of poles or zeros on the real axis.
- (f) Yes.

- (g) No. Root Locus is always symmetric about the real axis.
- (h) Yes.
- 8. Sketching Root Loci (6 points)

Sketch the general shape of the root locus for each of the open-loop pole-zero plots shown below. Please print out this page and attach it with your solutions to other problems.





Solutions:

