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COURSE NAME	:	INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL
COURSE CODE	:	BNR 20703
PROGRAMME	:	2 BND/2 BNF
EXAMINATION DATE	:	DECEMBER 2016 / JANUARY 2017
DURATION	:	2 HOURS 30 MINUTES
INSTRUCTION	:	ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS ONLY

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- Q1** (a) (i) Describe the differences between static and dynamic characteristics of measuring instruments.  
(ii) Briefly explain the differences between accuracy and precision in an instrument.
- (6 marks)
- (b) The expected value of the current through a resistor is 20 mA. However the measurement yields a current value of 18mA. Calculate:  
(i) absolute error;  
(ii) percentage of error;  
(iii) relative accuracy; and  
(iv) percentage of accuracy.
- (4 marks)
- (c) In a calibration test, 10 measurements using a digital voltmeter have been made of the battery voltage that is known to have a true voltage of 6.11 V. The results are shown in **TABLE Q1(c)**. Calculate:  
(i) arithmetic mean;  
(ii) deviation of each reading;  
(iii) average deviation;  
(iv) standard deviation; and  
(v) calculate the accuracy of the 3<sup>rd</sup> experiment.
- (10 marks)
- (d) Sketch the diagram and explain briefly the working principle of galvanometric chart recorder.
- (5 marks)

- Q2** (a) Briefly explain **FOUR** advantages of control systems.
- (4 marks)
- (b) For the following control systems, determine whether the system is an open loop or a closed loop system and state whether the system is a kinetic control or a process control:  
(i) air-conditioner;  
(ii) electric toaster;  
(iii) escalator; and  
(iv) a solar panel tracking the sun movement across the sky.
- (8 marks)

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- (c) A car equipped with cruise control system can maintain its speed according to a driver's set speed, despite of presence any disturbances (for example, different road condition, etc.):

- (i) explain whether this is an open loop or a closed loop control systems; and  
(ii) draw the corresponding block diagram describing its operation.

(7 marks)

- (d) For the following systems transfer function, categorize the system order, plot the poles on s-plane and sketch the output response.

$$(i) \quad G(s) = \frac{20}{s^2 + 14s + 100}$$

$$(ii) \quad G(s) = \frac{18}{s^2 + 9s + 9}$$

$$(iii) \quad G(s) = \frac{2}{s + 4} \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- Q3** (a) Briefly explain what is meant by a transfer function. (2 marks)
- (b) Determine the transfer function,  $G(s) = V_L(s)/V(s)$  for network shown in **FIGURE Q3(b)**. (7 marks)
- (c) Determine the transfer function,  $G(s) = \theta_2(s)/T(s)$ , for the translational mechanical system shown in **FIGURE Q3(c)**. (8 marks)
- (d) The motor, with torque-speed characteristics as shown in **FIGURE Q3(d)**, drives the load shown in the figure. Determine the transfer function,  $G(s) = \theta_2(s)/E_a(s)$ . Please note that the gears have inertia and the general transfer function of the motor is given by: (8 marks)

$$\frac{\theta_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{\frac{K_t}{R_a J_m}}{s \left( s + \frac{1}{J_m} \left( D_m + \frac{K_b K_t}{R_a} \right) \right)}$$

- Q4** (a) As an engineer, you are given two control systems to be analyzed. The systems are the air purifier system and the air conditioner system:

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- (i) determine the type of control strategy (open loop or closed loop) for each system;
- (ii) draw the functional block diagram; and
- (iii) compare the important characteristics in both systems.

(6 marks)

- (b) For precise control of a robot arm, a DC motor is required to rotate 1 radian from an initial position. Three DC motors (A, B and C) are tested and **FIGURE Q4(b)** shows their responses to step input:

- (i) analyze the performance of each motor in terms of time response specifications and stability. Your discussion should relate to the rotation of DC motor in practical; and
- (ii) hence, in your opinion which system gives the best performance and **WHY?**

(9 marks)

- (c) When the system shown in **FIGURE Q4(c)(i)** is subjected to a unit-step input, the system output response is as shown in **FIGURE Q4(c)(ii)**. Determine:

- (i) peak time,  $T_p$ , settling time,  $T_s$ , rise time,  $T_r$  ;
- (ii) percentage overshoot, %OS;
- (iii) damping ratio,  $\zeta$
- (iv) natural frequency,  $\omega_n$  ; and
- (v) The values of  $K$  and  $T$ .

(10 marks)

- Q5**
- (a) Identify **THREE** familiar forms that subsystems are normally connected in a block diagram? (3 marks)
  - (b) Derive the overall transfer function for the system shown in **FIGURE Q5(b)** using the block diagram reduction method. (10 marks)
  - (c) For the unity feedback system of **FIGURE Q5(c)** with

$$G(s) = \frac{K(s+2)}{s(s-1)(s+3)}$$

determine the range of K to ensure stability.

(6 marks)

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- (d) A unity feedback system of **FIGURE Q5(c)** has the following forward transfer function:

$$G(s) = \frac{1000(s + 8)}{(s + 7)(s + 9)}$$

- (i) evaluate system type  $K_p$ ,  $K_v$ , and  $K_a$ ; and  
(ii) use your answer in (i) to find the steady-state errors for the standard step, ramp, and parabolic inputs.

(6 marks)



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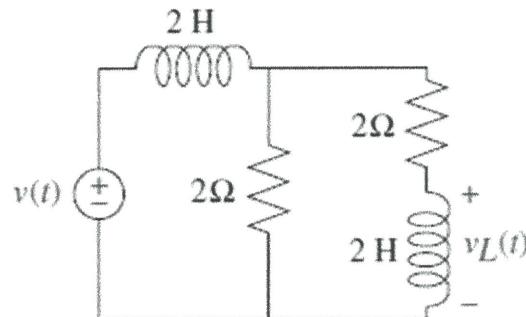
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No of measurement	Reading (V)
1	5.98
2	6.05
3	6.10
4	6.06
5	5.99
6	5.96
7	6.02
8	6.09
9	6.03
10	5.99

**TABLE Q1(c)****FIGURE Q3(b)****TERBUKA**

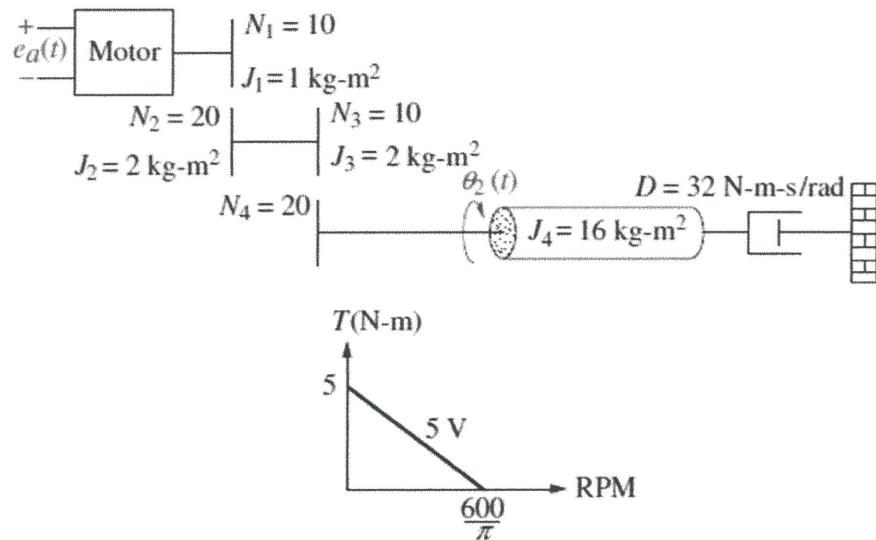
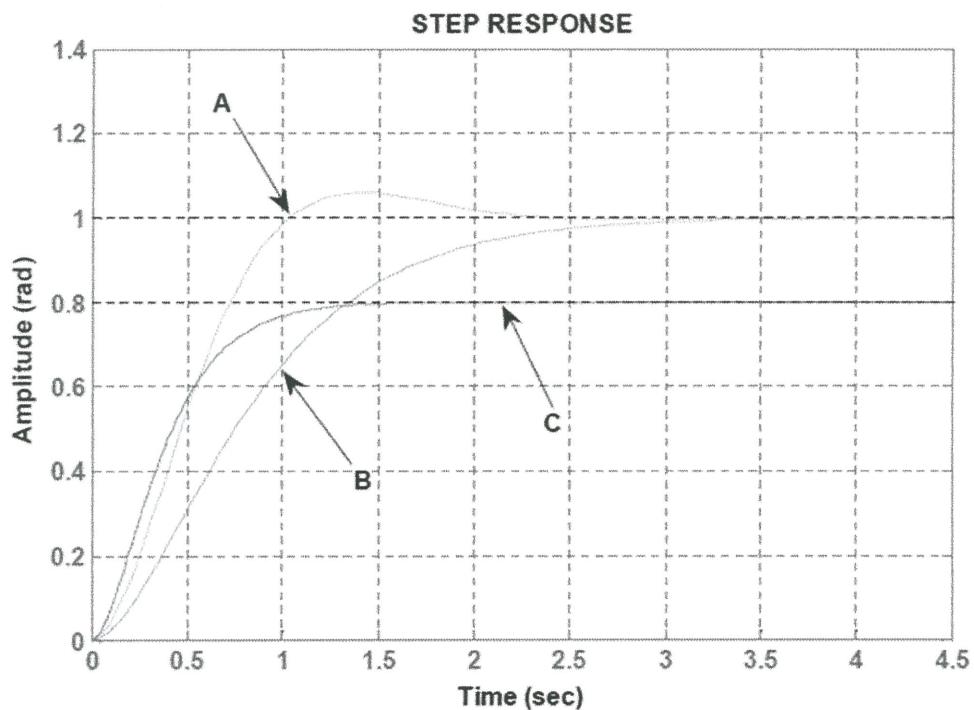
$T(t)$		$N_1 = 4$
$J_1 = 2 \text{ kg-m}^2$		$D_1 = 1 \text{ N-m-s/rad}$
$N_2 = 12$		$\theta_2(t)$
$D_2 = 2 \text{ N-m-s/rad}$		$N_3 = 4$
$N_4 = 16$		$K = 64 \text{ N-m/rad}$
$D_3 = 32 \text{ N-m-s/rad}$		

**FIGURE Q3(c)**

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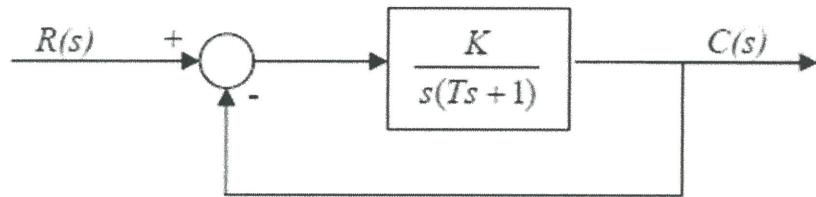
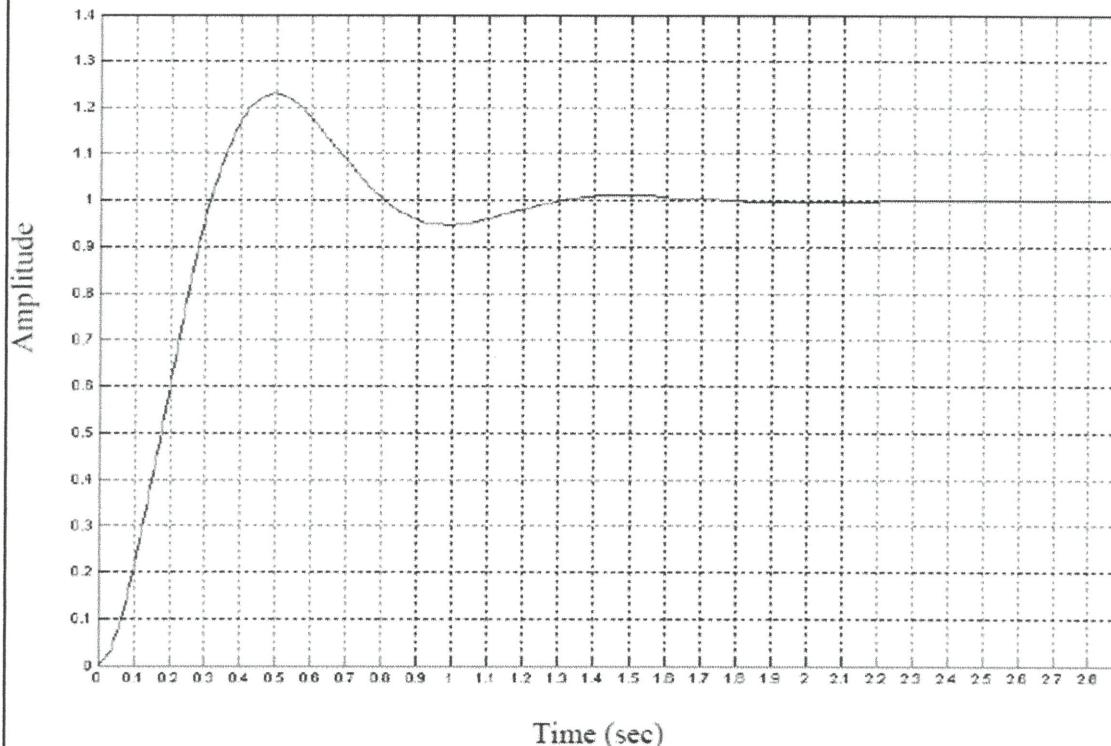
**FIGURE Q3(d)****FIGURE Q4(b)**

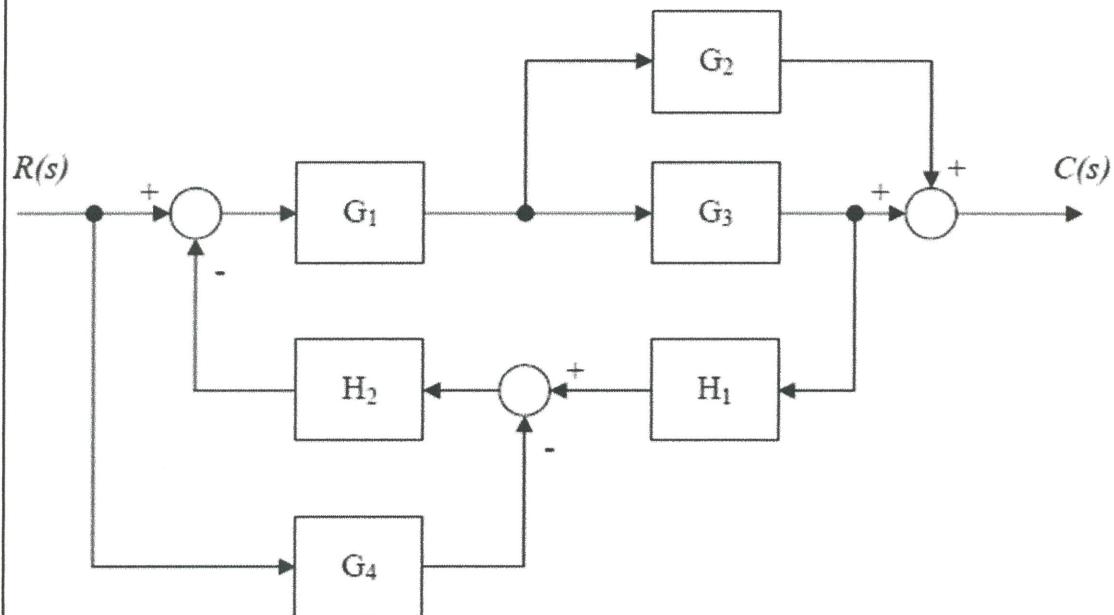
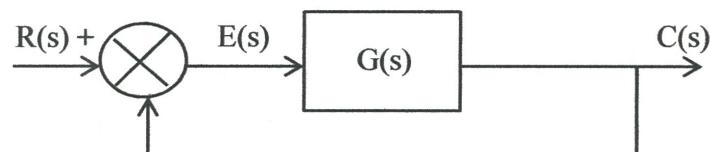
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**FIGURE Q4(c)(i)****FIGURE Q4(c)(ii)****TERBUKA**

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**Laplace Transform Table**

<b>Item no.</b>	<b><math>f(t)</math></b>	<b><math>F(s)</math></b>
1.	$\delta(t)$	1
2.	$u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s}$
3.	$tu(t)$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$
4.	$t^n u(t)$	$\frac{n!}{s^n + 1}$
5.	$e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{s + a}$
6.	$\sin \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2}$
7.	$\cos \omega t u(t)$	$\frac{s}{s^2 + \omega^2}$

**Laplace Transform Theorem**

<b>Item no.</b>	<b>Theorem</b>	<b>Name</b>
1.	$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = F(s) = \int_{0-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st}dt$	Definition
2.	$\mathcal{L}[kf(t)] = kF(s)$	Linearity theorem
3.	$\mathcal{L}[f_1(t) + f_2(t)] = F_1(s) + F_2(s)$	Linearity theorem
4.	$\mathcal{L}[e^{-at}f(t)] = F(s + a)$	Frequency shift theorem
5.	$\mathcal{L}[f(t - T)] = e^{-sT}F(s)$	Time shift theorem
6.	$\mathcal{L}[f(at)] = \frac{1}{a}F\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$	Scaling theorem
7.	$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{df}{dt}\right] = sF(s) - f(0-)$	Differentiation theorem
8.	$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{d^2f}{dt^2}\right] = s^2F(s) - sf(0-) - f'(0-)$	Differentiation theorem
9.	$\mathcal{L}\left[\frac{d^n f}{dt^n}\right] = s^n F(s) - \sum_{k=1}^n s^{n-k} f^{k-1}(0-)$	Differentiation theorem
10.	$\mathcal{L}\left[\int_{0-}^t f(\tau)d\tau\right] = \frac{F(s)}{s}$	Integration theorem
11.	$f(\infty) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sF(s)$	Final value theorem <sup>1</sup>
12.	$f(0+) = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} sF(s)$	Initial value theorem <sup>2</sup>

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