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**ECEN 4413**  
**Automatic Control Systems**  
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**Midterm Exam #1**

**Choose any four out of five problems.**  
*Please specify which four listed below to be graded:*

1) \_\_\_\_\_; 2) \_\_\_\_\_; 3) \_\_\_\_\_; 4) \_\_\_\_\_;

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**Problem 1:**

Given a system described by the transfer function

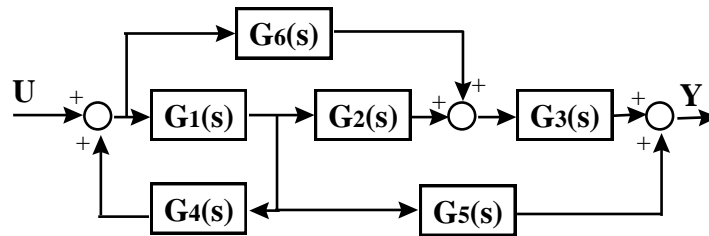
$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} = \frac{2s + 3}{s^2 + 4s + 13}$$

with initial conditions and input:  $y(0) = 3$ ,  $\left. \frac{dy(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -2$ ,  $x(t) = e^{-4t} u(t)$ , where  $y(t)$  is the output response and  $x(t)$  is the input signal. Find  $y(t)$  and steady-state output.

**Problem 2:**

Using the block diagram reduction technique, find the closed-loop transfer function,

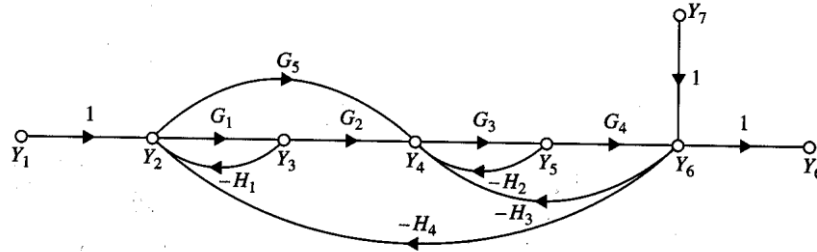
$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)}$$



**Problem 3:**

Apply the gain formula to the SFG shown below to find the transfer functions of

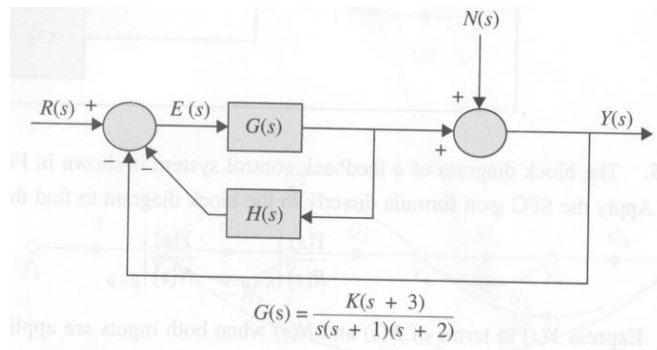
$$\left. \frac{Y_6}{Y_1} \right|_{Y_7=0} \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{Y_6}{Y_7} \right|_{Y_1=0} .$$



**Problem 4:**

Figure below shows the block diagram of a dc-motor control system (note the dc-motor is represented by  $G(s) = \frac{K(s+3)}{s(s+1)(s+2)}$ ). The signal  $N(s)$  denotes the frictional torque at the motor shaft.

- a) Find the transfer function  $H(s)$  so that the output  $Y(s)$  is not affected by the disturbance torque  $N(s)$ .
- b) With  $H(s)$  as determined in part a), find the value of  $K$  so that the steady-state value of  $e(t)$  is equal to 0.1 when the input is a unit-ramp function,  $r(t) = tu(t)$  and  $N(s) = 0$ .



**Problem 5:**

Figure below shows the block diagram of a control system with conditional feedback. The transfer function,  $G_p(s)$ , denotes the controlled process, and  $G_c(s)$  and  $H(s)$  are the controller transfer functions.

- a) Derive the transfer functions  $\left. \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} \right|_{N=0}$  and  $\left. \frac{Y(s)}{N(s)} \right|_{R=0}$ . Find  $\left. \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} \right|_{N=0}$  when

$$G_c(s) = G_p(s).$$

- b) Let

$$G_p(s) = G_c(s) = \frac{100}{(s+1)(s+5)}.$$

Find the output response  $y(t)$  when  $N(s) = 0$  and  $r(t) = u_s(t)$  (i.e., unit step function).

- c) With  $G_p(s)$  and  $G_c(s)$  as given in part b), select  $H(s)$  among the following choices such that when  $n(t) = u_s(t)$  and  $r(t) = 0$ , the steady-state value of  $y(t)$  is equal to zero. (There may be more than one answer.)

$$H(s) = \frac{10}{s(s+1)} \qquad H(s) = \frac{10}{(s+1)(s+2)}$$

$$H(s) = \frac{10(s+1)}{s+2} \qquad H(s) = \frac{K}{s^n} \text{ (} n = \text{positive integer) Select } n.$$

Keep in mind that the poles of the closed-loop transfer function must all be in the left-half s-plane in order for the final-value theorem to be valid.

