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### Problem 1. (5 points)

Find the *step response* of the system

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

$$s^2 + 3s + 2 = 0 \rightarrow s_1 = -1, s_2 = -2$$

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

Step response

$$Y(s) = \cancel{H(s)} H(s) \frac{1}{s}$$

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

$$= \frac{C_1}{s} + \frac{C_2}{s+1} + \frac{C_3}{s+2}$$

$$C_1 = s Y(s) \big|_{s=0} = 1$$

$$C_2 = (s+1) Y(s) \big|_{s=-1} = -2$$

$$C_3 = (s+2) Y(s) \big|_{s=-2} = \cancel{2} \frac{4 - 2 + 1}{\cancel{-2}(-2+1)} = 3$$

So

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

$$\rightarrow y(t) = [1 - 2e^{-t} + 3e^{-2t}] \mathbb{1}(t)$$

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### Problem 2. (4 points)

Find the impulse response of the system

$$H(s) = e^{-2s} \frac{s+1}{(s+1)^2 + 9}$$

Denote  $G(s) = \frac{s}{s^2+9}$ . Recall  $g(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s)\} = \cos 3t$ .

We have

$$H(s) = e^{-2s} G(s+1)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\{G(s+1)\} = e^{-t} \cos 3t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{H(s)\} &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{e^{-2s} G(s+1)\} \\ &= e^{-(t-2)} \cos 3(t-2) \mathbb{1}_{(t-2)} \end{aligned}$$

Since the impulse response of  $H(s)$  is  $h(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{H(s)\}$ , the impulse response is

$$h(t) = e^{-(t-2)} \cos 3(t-2) \mathbb{1}_{(t-2)}$$

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### Problem 3. (5 points)

Let the persistent forcing signal  $u(t) = (1 - \cos t)1(t)$  drive the system

$$Y(s) = \frac{s^2 + 1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} U(s).$$

Does this system, despite persistent forcing, reach a steady state? If so, what is  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) &= y(\infty) \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sY(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{s^2 + 1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} \underbrace{\mathcal{L}\{(1 - \cos t)1(t)\}}_{U(s)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{1(t)\} - \mathcal{L}\{\cos t \cdot 1(t)\} \\ &= \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)s} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} y(\infty) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \cancel{s} \frac{s^2 + 1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)\cancel{s}} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 3} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

In summary, despite persistent forcing, the system does reach a steady state  
 $y(\infty) = 1/3$ .

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### Problem 4. (7 points)

Consider the system

$$H(s) = \frac{16000}{21} \frac{ks + 21}{(s + 20)(s^2 + 40s + 800)}$$

- (a) For  $k = 1$  estimate its overshoot and peak time.  
(b) Is there anything you can say about the case  $k = 0$ ?

a) For  $k = 1$ ,

$$H(s) = \frac{16000}{21} \frac{s + 21}{(s + 20)(s^2 + 40s + 800)}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{s + 21}{s + 20} \approx 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(s) &\approx \frac{16000}{21} \frac{1}{s^2 + 40s + 800} \\ &\approx \frac{800}{s^2 + 40s + 800} \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega_n^2 = 800 \rightarrow \omega_n = 20\sqrt{2}$$

$$2\zeta\omega_n = 40 \rightarrow \zeta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$t_p = \frac{\pi}{\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} = 0.157$$

$$M_p = e^{-\pi\zeta/\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} = 0.043$$

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(6) For  $k=0$

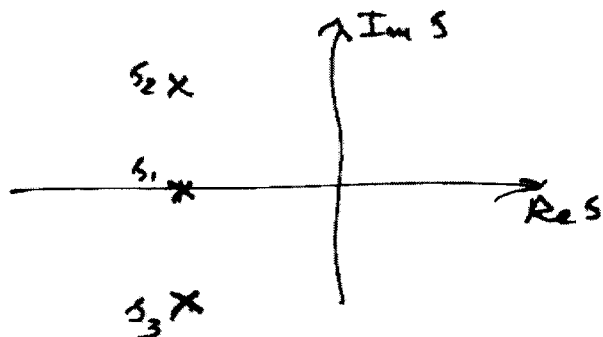
$$\begin{aligned} H(s) &= \frac{16000}{2s} \frac{2s}{(s+20)(s^2+40s+800)} \\ &= \frac{16000}{(s+20)(\underbrace{s^2+40s+400}_{=(s+20)^2} + 400)} \\ &= \frac{16000}{(s+20)[(s+20)^2 + 20^2]} \end{aligned}$$

The poles are

$$s_1 = -20$$

$$s_2 = -20 + j20$$

$$s_3 = -20 - j20$$



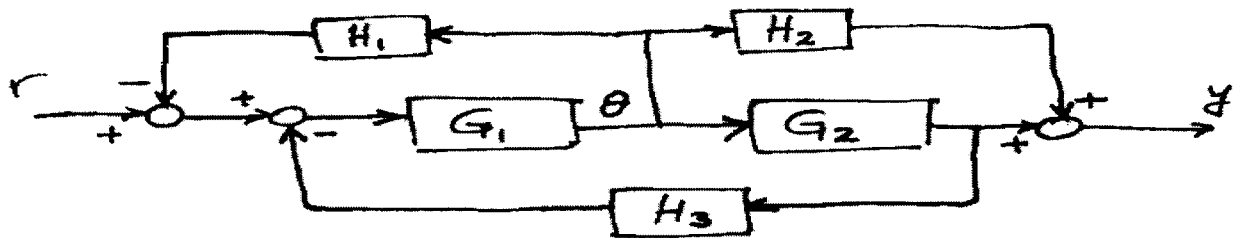
No dominant poles  $\rightarrow$  we cannot say anything about  $t_p$  and  $M_p$ .

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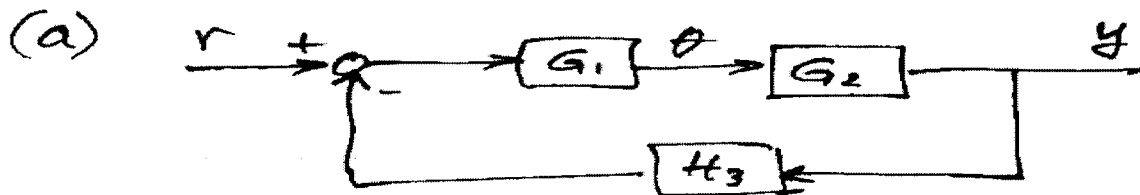
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## Problem 5. (9 points)

Consider the system



- (a) For  $H_1 = H_2 = 0$ , what is the transfer function from  $r$  to  $\theta$ ?  
 (b) For general  $H_1 \neq 0, H_2 \neq 0$ , what is the transfer function from  $r$  to  $y$ ?



$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{G_1 G_2}{1 + H_3 G_1 G_2}$$

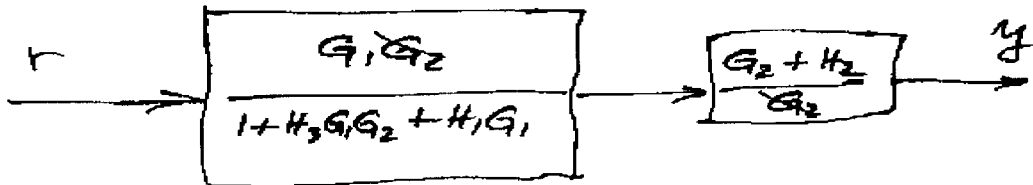
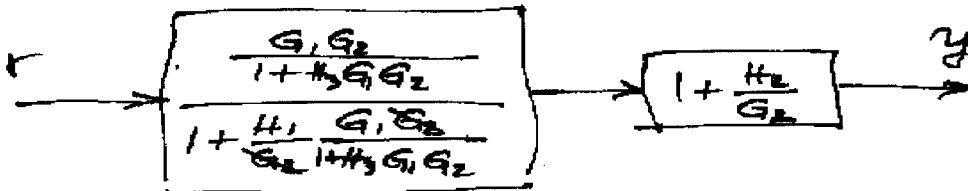
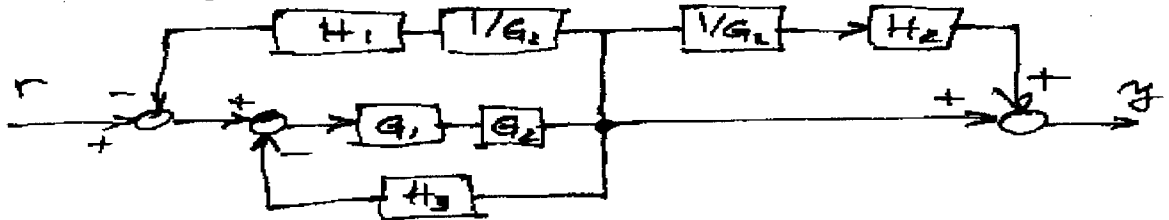
Since  $Y = G_2 \theta$ ,

$$\frac{\theta}{R} = \frac{G_1}{1 + H_3 G_1 G_2}$$

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(b) The system can be redrawn as



$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{G_1(G_2 + H_2)}{1 + H_3 G_1 G_2 + H_1 G_1}$$