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# **MARKING GUIDELINE**

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**CONTROL SYSTEMS N6**

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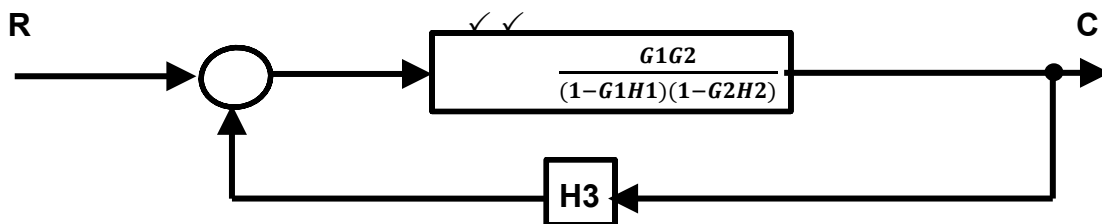
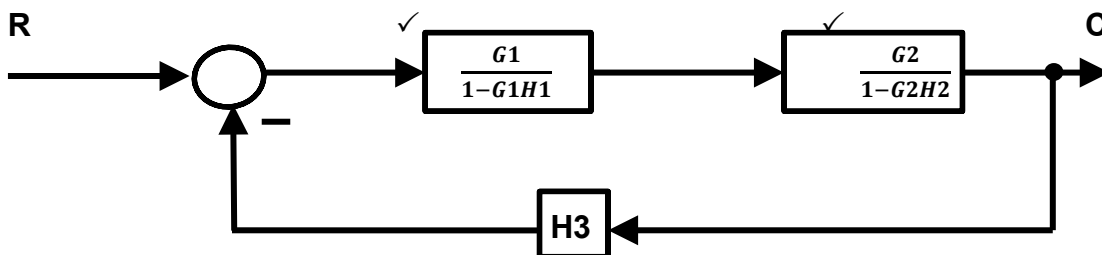
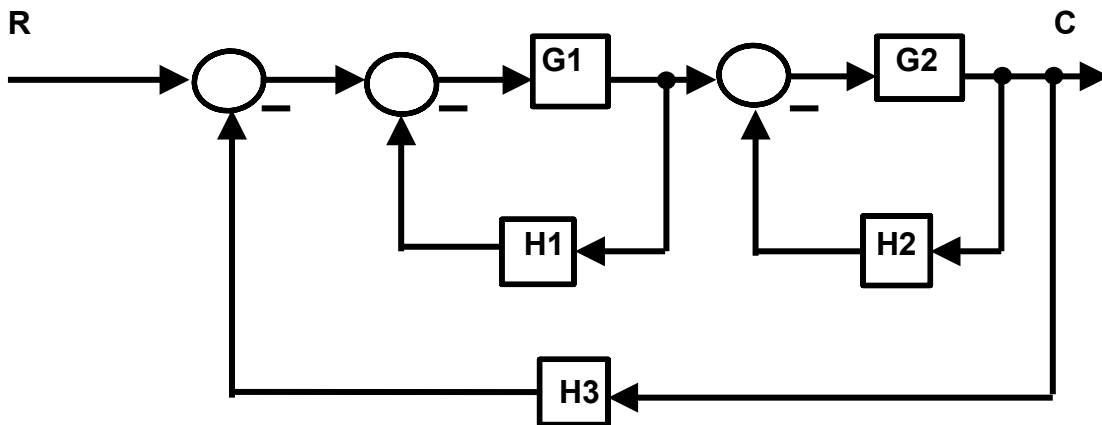
**This marking guideline consists of 7 pages and 1 diagram sheet.**

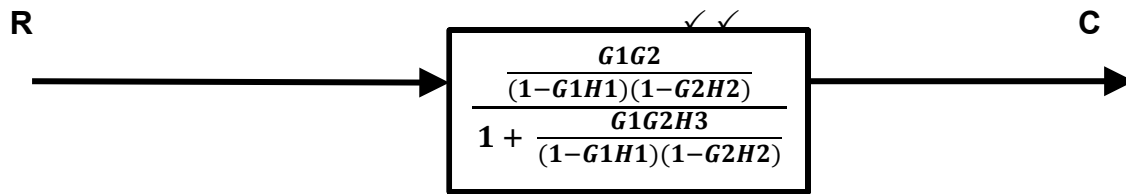
**QUESTION 1**

- 1.1 F
- 1.2 E
- 1.3 D
- 1.4 H
- 1.5 A
- 1.6 I
- 1.7 B
- 1.8 J
- 1.9 C
- 1.10 G

(10 × 1) [10]

**QUESTION 2**





$$\frac{C}{R} = \frac{\frac{G_1 G_2}{(1-G_1 H_1)(1-G_2 H_2)}}{1 + \frac{G_1 G_2 H_3}{(1-G_1 H_1)(1-G_2 H_2)}} \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

$$\frac{C}{R} = \frac{G_1 G_2}{(1-G_1 H_1)(1-G_2 H_2)} \times \frac{(1-G_1 H_1)(1-G_2 H_2)}{(1-G_1 H_1)(1-G_2 H_2) + G_1 G_2 H_3} \quad \checkmark$$

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[10]

**QUESTION 3**

- 3.1 28 dB (1)
- 3.2 - 255° (1)
- 3.3 8 rad/s (1)
- 3.4 - 52 dB per decade or - 25 dB per octave (1)
- 3.5 65 r/s (1)
- 3.6 55 r/s (1)
- 3.7 - 12 dB (1)
- 3.8 - 22° (1)
- 3.9 The gain and phase margins are negative, thus indicating an unstable system. (2)

(10 × 1) [10]

**QUESTION 4**

- 4.1 See attached diagram on DIAGRAM SHEET 1. (6)
- 4.2 4.2.1 Gain margin = 7 dB
- 4.2.2 Phase margin = 20° (2 × 1) (2)
- 4.3 Additional gain: 10dB – 7dB = 3 dB ✓  
Factor:  $10^{\frac{3}{20}} = 1,413$  ✓ (2)
- [10]**

**QUESTION 5**

- 5.1 Open-loop poles = 0 ; - 2 ; - 8 ✓ Zeros = - 4 ✓ (2)
- 5.2 Yes. The segment of locus is bounded by two poles which cause a breakaway point. ✓✓ (2)
- 5.3 
$$S_c = \frac{\sum Poles - \sum Zeros}{N_p - N_z}$$

$$= \frac{(0-2-8)-(-4)}{3-1} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{-6}{2}$$

$$S_c = -3 \checkmark$$
 (2)
- 5.4 
$$\psi = \frac{(2K + 1)180}{N_p - N_z}$$

$$= \frac{(2K+1)180}{2} \text{ if } K = 0, 1, 2, 3, \infty \quad \checkmark$$

$$\psi = 90^\circ \text{ when } K = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\psi = 270^\circ \text{ when } K = 1$$
 (2)
- 5.5 The system is stable as the loci angles are in a straight line. (2)
- [10]**

**QUESTION 6**

6.1      6.1.1       $T_A = 10 \sin 4t = A \sin \omega t \checkmark$

$$T_{A(s)} = \frac{A\omega}{s^2 + \omega^2} \checkmark \quad (2)$$

6.1.2       $\frac{\text{Output}}{\text{Input}} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 4\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2}$

$$\frac{\text{Output}}{T_A} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s^2 + 4\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \checkmark$$

$$\text{Output}_s = \frac{T_A \omega_n^2}{s^2 + 4\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2} \checkmark$$

$$\text{Output}_s = \frac{A\omega\omega_n^2}{(s^2 + \omega^2)(s^2 + 4\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2)} \checkmark \quad (3)$$

6.2       $f(x) = 2 \frac{dx}{dt} - 7x$

$$f(x) = 2sx - 7x \checkmark$$

$$f(x) = X(s)(2s - 7) \checkmark \quad (2)$$

6.3       $F(s) = \frac{100}{s(s + 4)(s + 5)}$

$$F(t) = \frac{100}{4 \times 5} \left[ 1 + \frac{4e^{-5t} - 5e^{-4t}}{5-4} \right] \checkmark \checkmark$$

$$F(t) = 5 [1 + 4e^{-5t} - 5e^{-4t}] \checkmark \quad (3)$$

**[10]**

**QUESTION 7**

7.1      It converts one form of energy into another, e.g. mechanical energy into electrical energy or vice versa. (2)

- 7.2
  - Light-dependent resistor
  - Light-dependent diode
  - Light-dependent transistor or thyristor (Any 2 × 1) (2)

- 7.3
  - The d.c. output voltage must be proportional to the r.m.s. value of the a.c. signal.
  - The polarity of the d.c. output must be phase-sensitive. (2)

- 7.4
- The output-input relationship is not precisely linear.
  - Wear produced by sliding action reduces the life of potentiometers.
- (2)
- 7.5 Is used for the remote position control of artillery guns and radar turrets.
- (2)
- [10]**

**QUESTION 8**

- 8.1
- The system must be designed to operate safely.
  - It must be efficient.
  - It must be functional.
- (3)
- 8.2
- A – Pump
  - B – Reservoir/Tank
  - C – Input
  - D – Differential lever
  - E – Output
  - F – Actuator/Cylinder
  - G – Servo-valve
- (7)
- [10]**

**QUESTION 9**

- 9.1
- It tends to overshoot, producing oscillations.
  - It produces instability.
- (2)
- 9.2
- It can operate at very high temperatures.
  - It exhausts air into the atmosphere.
  - It is highly compressible.
  - It is much faster.
  - It is suitable for fire-risk areas.
  - Operating costs are cheaper.
  - It is clean.
  - It is easily available.
- (Any 5 × 1) (5)
- 9.3 Derivative control is used to speed up the response time of the corrective action before the error gets too large.
- (2)
- 9.4 Hunting – It is an increase in the gain of a system and causes the response to oscillate.
- (1)
- [10]**

**QUESTION 10**

- 10.1
- Square wave
  - Triangular wave
  - Saw-tooth wave
- (3)
- 10.2
- Analog meter – The display uses a pointer needle on a scale.  
Oscilloscope – The display is in the form of a trace.
- (2)
- 10.3
- If a sinusoidal current is passed through the system, the voltage is also sinusoidal.
  - It gives much more useful information when used to test circuits.
  - It helps us to predict how a circuit will respond to various frequencies.
- (3)
- 10.4
- It is used as a time base in oscilloscopes.
  - It is used in radar indicators.
- (2)

**[10]****TOTAL: 100**

DIAGRAM SHEET 1

QUESTION 4.1

