

Given that, $R(s) = \frac{3}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{3s^3}$

$$\therefore r(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\{R(s)\} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left\{\frac{3}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{3s^3}\right\} = \frac{1}{3} - 2t + \frac{1}{3} \frac{t^2}{2!} = \frac{1}{3} - 2t + \frac{t^2}{6}$$

$$\dot{r}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} r(t) = -2 + \frac{1}{6} 2t = -2 + \frac{t}{3}$$

$$\ddot{r}(t) = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \dot{r}(t) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\dddot{r}(t) = \frac{d^3}{dt^3} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \ddot{r}(t) = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Error signal in time domain, } e(t) = \frac{1}{20} \frac{d}{dt} \ddot{r}(t) = \frac{1}{20} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{60}$$

$$\text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{60} = \frac{1}{60}$$

RESULT

- a) Position error constant, $K_p = \infty$
 Velocity error constant, $K_v = \infty$
 Acceleration error constant, $K_a = 20$

b) When, $R(s) = \frac{3}{s} - \frac{2}{s^2} + \frac{1}{3s^3}$, Steady state error, $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{60}$

EXAMPLE 3.12

For servomechanisms with open loop transfer function given below explain what type of input signal give rise to a constant steady state error and calculate their values.

(i) $G(s) = \frac{20(s+2)}{s(s+1)(s+3)}$; (ii) $G(s) = \frac{10}{(s+2)(s+3)}$; (iii) $G(s) = \frac{10}{s^2(s+1)(s+2)}$

SOLUTION

(i) $G(s) = \frac{20(s+2)}{s(s+1)(s+3)}$

Let us assume unity feedback system, $\therefore H(s)=1$

The open loop system has a pole at origin. Hence it is a type-1 system. In systems with type number-1, the velocity (ramp) input will give a constant steady state error.

The steady state error with unit velocity input, $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_v}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Velocity error constant, } K_v &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s G(s) H(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s G(s) \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{20(s+2)}{s(s+1)(s+3)} = \frac{20 \times 2}{1 \times 3} = \frac{40}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_v} = \frac{3}{40} = 0.075$$

$$(ii) G(s) = \frac{10}{(s+2)(s+3)}$$

Let us assume unity feedback system, $\therefore H(s)=1$.

The open loop system has no pole at origin. Hence it is a type-0 system. In systems with type number-0, the step input will give a constant steady state error.

The steady state error with unit step input, $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1+K_p}$

$$\text{Position error constant, } K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s)H(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{10}{(s+2)(s+3)} = \frac{10}{2 \times 3} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1+K_p} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{3}{3+5} = \frac{3}{8} = 0.375$$

$$(iii) G(s) = \frac{10}{s^2(s+1)(s+2)}$$

Let us assume unity feedback system, $\therefore H(s)=1$.

The open loop system has two poles at origin. Hence it is a type-2 system. In systems with type number-2, the acceleration (parabolic) input will give a constant steady state error.

The steady state error with unit acceleration input, $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_a}$

$$\text{Acceleration error constant, } K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s)H(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 \frac{10}{s^2(s+1)(s+2)} = \frac{10}{1 \times 2} = 5$$

$$\text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_a} = \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$$

RESULT

1. In system (i) with unit velocity input, Steady state error = 0.075
2. In system (ii) with unit step input, Steady state error = 0.375
3. In system (iii) with unit acceleration input, Steady state error = 0.2

EXAMPLE 3.13

The open loop transfer function of a servo system with unity feedback is $G(s) = 10/s(0.1s+1)$. Evaluate the static error constants of the system. Obtain the steady state error of the system. When subjected to an input given by the polynomial, $r(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2$.

SOLUTION

To find static error constant

For unity feedback system, $H(s) = 1$.

$\therefore$ Loop transfer function, $G(s)H(s) = G(s)$

The static error constants are K_p , K_v and K_a .

$$\text{Position error constant, } K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{10}{s(0.1s+1)} = \infty$$

$$\text{Velocity error constant, } K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{10}{s(0.1s+1)} = 10$$

$$\text{Acceleration error constant, } K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 \frac{10}{s(0.1s+1)} = 0$$

To find steady state error

Method - I

Steady state error for non-standard input is obtained using generalized error series, given below.

$$\text{The error signal, } e(t) = r(t)C_0 + \dot{r}(t)C_1 + \ddot{r}(t)\frac{C_2}{2!} + \dots + r^{(n)}(t)\frac{C_n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$\text{Given that, } r(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2$$

$$\therefore \dot{r}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2 \right) = a_1 + a_2 t$$

$$\ddot{r}(t) = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{d}{dt} r(t) \right) = \frac{d}{dt} (a_1 + a_2 t) = a_2$$

$$\dddot{r}(t) = \frac{d^3}{dt^3} r(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} r(t) \right) = \frac{d}{dt} (a_2) = 0$$

Derivatives of $r(t)$ is zero after 2nd derivative. Hence, let us evaluate three constants C_0, C_1 & C_2 .

The generalized error constants are given by,

$$C_0 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} F(s) ; \quad C_1 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} F(s) ; \quad C_2 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d^2}{ds^2} F(s)$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{1+G(s)H(s)} = \frac{1}{1+G(s)} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{10}{s(0.1s+1)}} = \frac{s(0.1s+1)}{s(0.1s+1)+10} = \frac{0.1s^2+s}{0.1s^2+s+10}$$

$$C_0 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} F(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{0.1s^2+s}{0.1s^2+s+10} = 0$$

$$C_1 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} F(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{0.1s^2+s}{0.1s^2+s+10} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(0.1s^2+s+10)(0.2s+1) - (0.1s^2+s)(0.2s+1)}{(0.1s^2+s+10)^2} \right] = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{2s+10}{(0.1s^2+s+10)^2} = \frac{10}{10^2} = 0.1$$

$$C_2 = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d^2}{ds^2} F(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{d}{ds} F(s) \right] = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{2s+10}{(0.1s^2+s+10)^2} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{ds} \left[\frac{(0.1s^2+s+10)^2 \times 2 - (2s+10) \times 2(0.1s^2+s+10)(0.2s+1)}{(0.1s^2+s+10)^4} \right]$$

$$\therefore C_2 = \frac{10^2 \times 2 - 10 \times 2 \times 10 \times 1}{10^4} = 0$$

$$\text{Error signal, } e(t) = r(t)C_0 + \dot{r}(t)C_1 + \ddot{r}(t)\frac{C_2}{2!} = \dot{r}(t)C_1 + 0 + 0 = (a_1 + a_2 t) 0.1$$

$$\therefore \text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [(a_1 + a_2 t) 0.1] = \infty$$

Method - II

$$\text{The error signal in s-domain, } E(s) = \frac{R(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)}$$

$$\text{Given that, } r(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2; \quad G(s) = \frac{10}{s(0.1s + 1)}; \quad H(s) = 1$$

On taking Laplace transform of $r(t)$ we get $R(s)$,

$$\therefore R(s) = \frac{a_0}{s} + \frac{a_1}{s^2} + \frac{a_2}{2} \frac{2!}{s^3} = \frac{a_0}{s} + \frac{a_1}{s^2} + \frac{a_2}{s^3}$$

$$\therefore E(s) = \frac{R(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)} = \frac{\frac{a_0}{s} + \frac{a_1}{s^2} + \frac{a_2}{s^3}}{1 + \frac{10}{s(0.1s + 1)}} = \frac{\frac{a_0}{s} + \frac{a_1}{s^2} + \frac{a_2}{s^3}}{\frac{s(0.1s + 1) + 10}{s(0.1s + 1)}}$$

$$= \frac{a_0}{s} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right] + \frac{a_1}{s^2} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right] + \frac{a_2}{s^3} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right]$$

The steady state error e_{ss} can be obtained from final value theorem.

$$\text{Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s E(s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore e_{ss} &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left\{ \frac{a_0}{s} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right] + \frac{a_1}{s^2} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right] + \frac{a_2}{s^3} \left[\frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} \right] \right\} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{a_0 s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} + \frac{a_1(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} + \frac{a_2(0.1s + 1)}{s[s(0.1s + 1) + 10]} \right\} = 0 + \frac{a_1}{10} + \infty = \infty \end{aligned}$$

Method - III

$$\text{Error signal in s-domain, } E(s) = \frac{R(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)};$$

$$\therefore \frac{E(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + G(s)H(s)}$$

$$\text{Given that, } G(s) = \frac{10}{s(0.1s + 1)} \text{ and } H(s) = 1,$$

$$\therefore \frac{E(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{10}{s(0.1s + 1)}} = \frac{s(0.1s + 1)}{s(0.1s + 1) + 10} = \frac{0.1s^2 + s}{0.1s^2 + s + 10} = \frac{s + 0.1s^2}{10 + s + 0.1s^2} = \frac{s}{10} - \frac{s^3}{1000} + \dots$$

$$\therefore E(s) = \frac{s}{10} R(s) - \frac{s^3}{1000} R(s) + \dots$$

Dividing numerator polynomial by denominator polynomial.

On taking inverse Laplace transform,

$$e(t) = \frac{1}{10} \dot{r} - \frac{1}{1000} \ddot{r}(t) + \dots$$

Given that, $r(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2$

$$\therefore \dot{r} = \frac{d}{dt} r(t) = a_1 + a_2 t$$

$$\ddot{r}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \dot{r}(t) = a_2$$

$$\ddot{\ddot{r}}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \ddot{r}(t) = 0$$

$\therefore$ Error signal in time domain, $e(t) = \frac{1}{10} \dot{r}(t) - \frac{1}{1000} \ddot{r}(t) = \frac{1}{10} (a_1 + a_2 t)$

Steady state error,

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{10} (a_1 + a_2 t) = \infty$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{s}{10} - \frac{s^3}{1000} \\ 10 + s + 0.1s^2 \overline{) s + 0.1s^2} \\ \underline{(-) s + \frac{s^2}{10} + \frac{s^3}{100}} \\ -\frac{s^3}{100} \\ \underline{(+)} \frac{s^3}{100} - \frac{s^4}{1000} - \frac{s^5}{10000} \\ \underline{(+)} \frac{s^4}{1000} + \frac{s^5}{10000} \end{array}$$

RESULT

1. Position error constant, $K_p = \infty$
2. Velocity error constant, $K_v = 10$
3. Acceleration error constant, $K_a = 0$
4. When input, $r(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + \frac{a_2}{2} t^2$, Steady state error, $e_{ss} = \infty$

EXAMPLE 3.14

Consider a unity feedback system with a closed loop transfer function $\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{Ks+b}{s^2+as+b}$. Determine open loop transfer function $G(s)$. Show that steady state error with unit ramp input is given by $\frac{(a-K)}{b}$.

SOLUTION

For unity feedback system, $H(s)=1$

The closed loop transfer function, $M(s) = \frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1+G(s)H(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1+G(s)}$

$$\therefore \frac{G(s)}{1+G(s)} = M(s)$$

On cross multiplication of the above equation we get,

$$G(s) = M(s)[1+G(s)] = M(s) + M(s)G(s)$$

$$\therefore G(s) - M(s)G(s) = M(s) \Rightarrow G(s)[1 - M(s)] = M(s) \Rightarrow M(s) = \frac{Ks+b}{s^2+as+b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Open loop transfer function, } G(s) &= \frac{M(s)}{1 - M(s)} = \frac{\frac{Ks+b}{s^2+as+b}}{1 - \frac{Ks+b}{s^2+as+b}} = \frac{Ks+b}{(s^2+as+b) - (Ks+b)} \\ &= \frac{Ks+b}{s^2+as+b-Ks-b} = \frac{Ks+b}{s^2+(a-K)s} = \frac{Ks+b}{s[s+(a-K)]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Velocity error constant, } K_V = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s G(s)H(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{Ks+b}{s[s+(a-K)]} = \frac{b}{a-K}$$

$$\text{With velocity input, Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_V} = \frac{a-K}{b}$$

RESULT

$$\text{Open loop transfer function, } G(s) = \frac{Ks+b}{s[s+(a-K)]}$$

$$\text{With velocity input, Steady state error, } e_{ss} = \frac{a-K}{b}$$

EXAMPLE 3.15

A unity feedback system has the forward transfer function $G(s) = \frac{K_1(2s+1)}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}$. When the input $r(t) = 1+6t$, determine the minimum value of K_1 so that the steady error is less than 0.1.

SOLUTION

Given that, input $r(t) = 1+6t$

On taking laplace transform of $r(t)$ we get $R(s)$.

$$\therefore R(s) = \mathcal{L}\{r(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{1+6t\} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{6}{s^2}$$

The error signal in s-domain $E(s)$ is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E(s) &= \frac{R(s)}{1+G(s)H(s)} = \frac{\frac{1}{s} + \frac{6}{s^2}}{1 + \frac{K_1(2s+1)}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{s} + \frac{6}{s^2}}{\frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} \right] + \frac{6}{s^2} \left[\frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Here $H(s)=1$

The steady state error e_{ss} can be obtained from final value theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} e_{ss} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s E(s) \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left\{ \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} \right] + \frac{6}{s^2} \left[\frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} \right] \right\} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} + \frac{6(5s+1)(1+s)^2}{s(5s+1)(1+s)^2 + K_1(2s+1)} \right\} = 0 + \frac{6}{K_1} = \frac{6}{K_1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Given that, } e_{ss} < 0.1, \quad \therefore 0.1 = \frac{6}{K_1} \quad \text{or} \quad K_1 = \frac{6}{0.1} = 60$$

RESULT

For steady state error, $e_{ss} < 0.1$, the value of K_1 should be greater than 60.