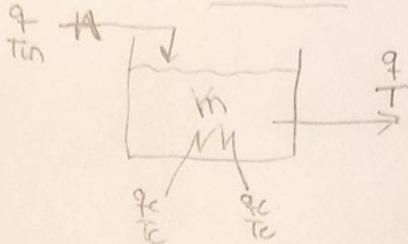


Exam 2020  
Solution - Problem 1

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(a) Energy balance, constant mass and  $c_p$ ,  $m = \rho V$

$$m c_p \frac{dT}{dt} = \dot{q}_p (T_{in} - T) + UA (T_c - T)$$

Note that since  $T_c$  is assumed constant we do not need the energy balance on the cold side.

(b) Steady state. Set  $\frac{dT}{dt} = 0$ . Get:

$$T = \frac{m c_p T_{in} + UA T_c}{\dot{q}_p + UA} = \frac{10 \cdot 10 \cdot 4.2 \cdot 50 + 42 \cdot 10}{10 \cdot 10 \cdot 4.2 + 42}$$

$$= \frac{50 + 10}{1 + 1} = \frac{60}{2} = \underline{\underline{30^\circ C}}$$

(c) Linearize

$$m c_p \frac{dT}{dt} = c_p (T_{in} - T) \delta \dot{q} + \dot{q}_p c_p (\Delta T_{in} - \Delta T) + UA (\Delta T_c - \Delta T)$$

$$= c_p (T_{in} - T) \delta \dot{q} + \dot{q}_p c_p \Delta T_{in} + UA \Delta T_c - (\dot{q}_p c_p + UA) \Delta T$$

$$\tau \frac{dT}{dt} = -\Delta T + k_3 \delta \dot{q} + k_1 \Delta T_{in} + k_2 \Delta T_c$$

where  $\tau = \frac{m c_p}{\dot{q}_p + UA} = \frac{5000 \cdot 4.2}{10 \cdot 4.2 + 42} = \frac{500}{2} = 250s$

$$k_1 = \frac{\dot{q}_p c_p}{\dot{q}_p + UA} = \frac{10 \cdot 4.2}{10 \cdot 4.2 + 42} = 0.5$$

$$k_2 = \frac{UA}{\dot{q}_p + UA} = 0.5$$

$$k_3 = \frac{c_p (T_{in} - T)}{\dot{q}_p + UA} = \frac{4.2 \cdot (50 - 30)}{10 \cdot 4.2 + 42} = \frac{50 - 30}{20} = 1 \frac{K}{kg/s}$$

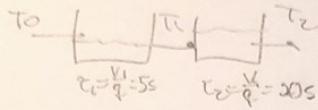
Conclusion

$$g_1 = \frac{0.5}{1s+1}, g_2 = \frac{0.5}{1s+1}, g_3 = \frac{1}{1s+1}, g_4 = 0$$

Note that  $q_c$  has no effect on  $T$  since  $T_c$  is assumed constant.

Comment: It may seem a bit strange that  $q_c$  has no effect. This will be the case if the boiling fluid which is used for cooling is only partially evaporated. Then increasing  $q_c$  will not increase the amount which is evaporated (and thus not change  $Q$ ); it will just lead to more to more excess liquid in the cold outstream. In practice, an increase in  $q_c$  may increase the  $U$ -value for heat transfer, but this neglected.

Problem 2

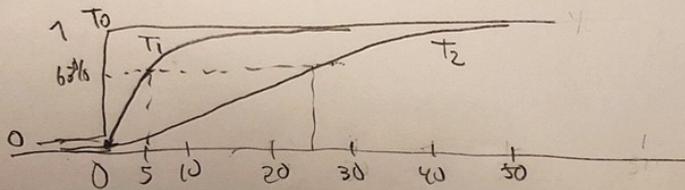


(a)  $T_1 = \left(\frac{1}{5s+1}\right) T_0$ ,  $T_2 = \left(\frac{1}{20s+1}\right) T_1$

$\Rightarrow T_2 = \frac{1}{(20s+1)(5s+1)} T_0$

(b) Assume initially at steady state.  
Step response

$T_0 = 1$  ( $t \geq 0$ )  
 $T_1 = (1 - e^{-t/5})$  ( $t \geq 0$ )  
 $T_2 = 1 + \frac{1}{20-5} (5e^{-t/5} - 20e^{-t/20})$   
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{15} (5e^{-t/5} - 20e^{-t/20})$



(c) Sinusoidal response

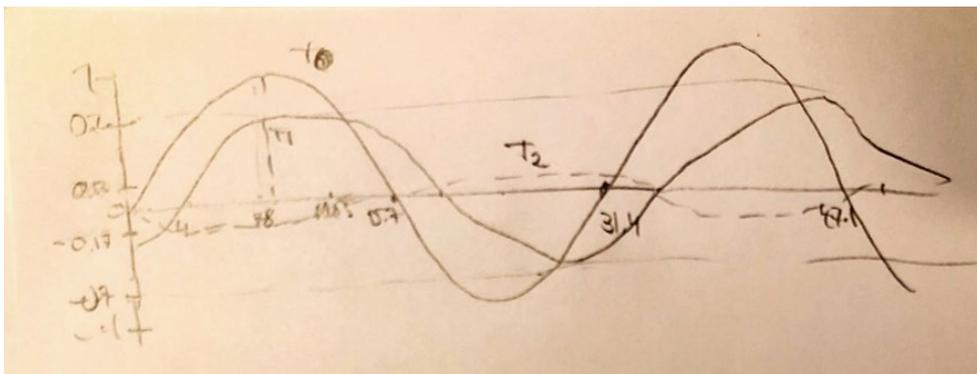
$T_0(t) = \sin(\omega t)$  where  $\omega = 0.2 \text{ rad/s}$   $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 31.4$   
 $T_1(t) = k_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi_1) = k_1 \sin(\omega(t - \Delta t_1))$   
 $T_2(t) = k_2 \sin(\omega(t - \Delta t_2))$

$k_1 = |g_1(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\omega\tau_1)^2 + 1}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.7$   
 $\phi_1 = \arctan(-\omega\tau_1) = \arctan(-1) = -45^\circ = -\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ rad}$

$\Delta t_1 = -\frac{\phi_1}{\omega} = \frac{\pi/4}{0.2} = \frac{\pi}{0.8} = 3.925 \text{ s}$

$k_2 = |g_2(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\omega\tau_2)^2 + 1}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(0.2 \cdot 20)^2 + 1}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{17}} = 0.177$

$\phi_2 = \arctan(-\omega\tau_2) - \arctan(\omega\tau_1) = -45^\circ - 76^\circ = -121^\circ \Rightarrow \Delta t_2 = -\phi_2/\omega = 10.65$



Problem 3 (15%).

**Solution:**

- (a)  $u = z$ ,  
 $y = T$ ,  
 $d = (F1, T2)$ ,  
 $y2 = (T1, T3, F2)$ .

Note that  $d$  is independent of  $u$ , whereas  $y2$  depends on  $u$ . We may use  $y2$  for cascade control and  $d$  for feedforward control.

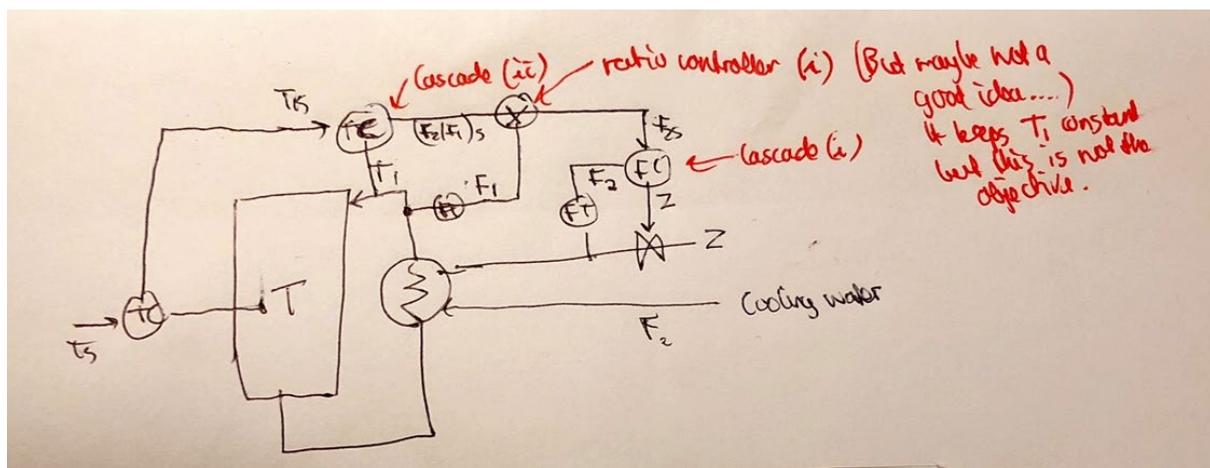
- (b) Cascade: (i) Flow slave controller based on  $y2 = F2$ . Helps for pressure disturbances and linearizes valve.  
(ii) Temperature slave controller based on  $T1$  or  $T3$ .  $T1$  seems best since it is closer to  $T$ . Helps because of delay for  $T$ .

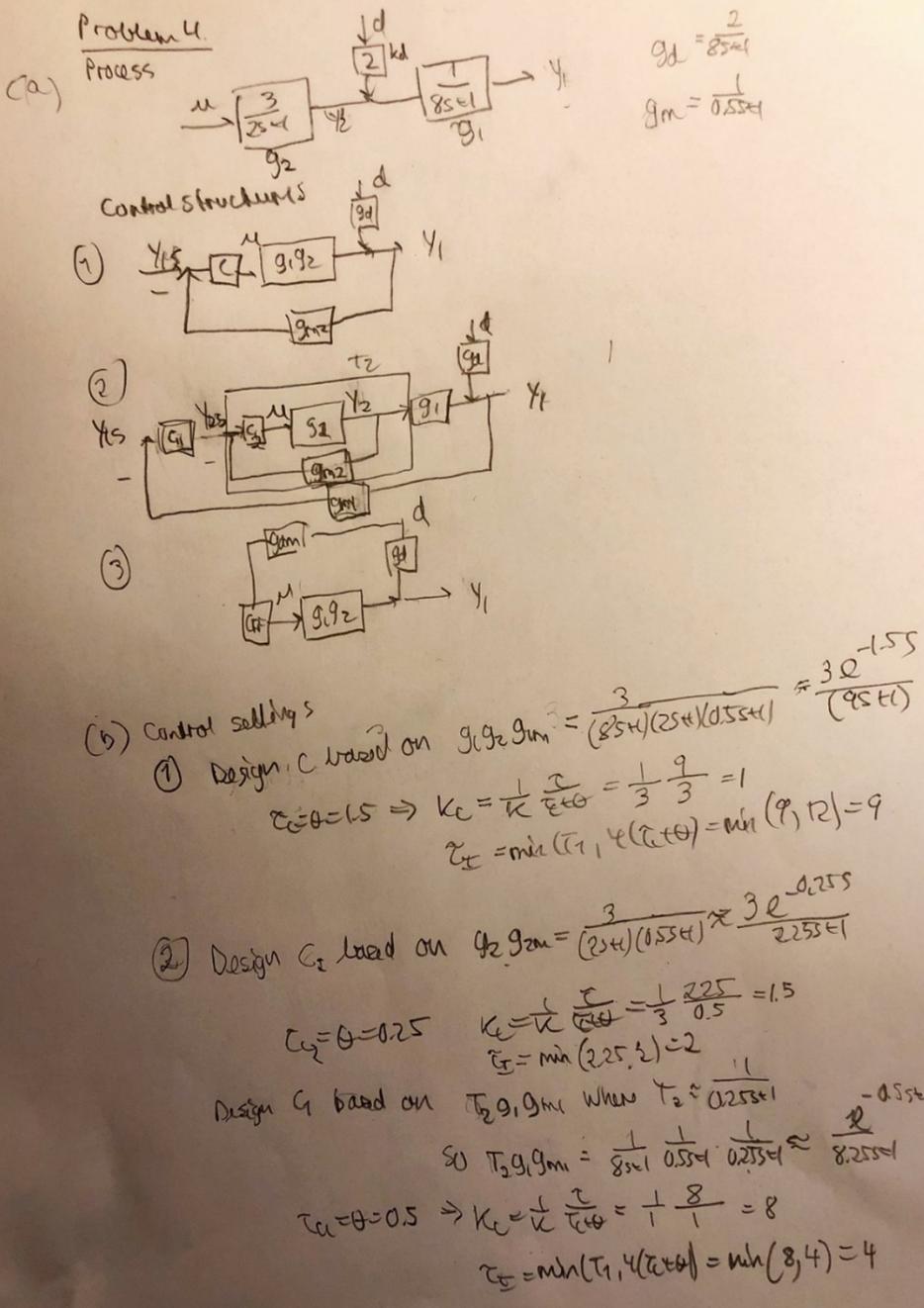
**Feedforward:**

- (i) Ratio control from  $F1$  to  $F2$  (as a setpoint to the flow controller for  $F2$ ).

(BUT: This ratio control is probably not a good idea. It may help to keep  $T1$  constant, but what we want to keep constant is  $T$ . From the energy balance, the cooling of the tank is given by  $Q = F1 \cdot cp1 \cdot (T - T1)$ , so to keep  $Q$  (and thus  $T$ ) constant we want  $T1$  to increase when  $F1$  increases, so  $T1$  should not remain constant for this disturbance.

- (ii) Feedforward control from  $T2$  to  $z$  (seems a bit difficult).





Comments on cascade. 1) Design of  $C_1$ : Will also get full score if use  $T_2 \approx \exp(-0.25s)/(0.25s+1)$ . But note that the measurement  $G_{2m}$  is not in the direct path from  $y_2$  to  $y_1$ .

2) The simulations (you can try!) for the cascade show OK responses, but there are some potential problems. First, the inner "slave" loop should not be tuned so tight that it may cause instability, so one should probably select  $\tau_{c2}$  larger than  $\theta_2 = 0.25$  to get better robustness. Second, I normally recommend a factor of at least 5 between  $\tau_{c1}$  for the slave and master loops (to avoid interactions between the slave and the master loops), and here we only have a factor 2. So, also  $\tau_{c1}$  should be larger in practice. Maybe  $\tau_{c2} = 0.5$  and  $\tau_{c1} = 2$  would work well, but then there will be little or no benefit compared to structure 1 with no cascade (which has  $\tau_{c1} = 1.5$ ).

③ Design  $C_{FF}$ .

$$\text{Ideal } y_1 = g_d \cdot d + g_1 g_2 \cdot C_{FF} \cdot g_{dm} \cdot d$$

$$\text{Ideal } y_1 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$C_{FF, \text{ideal}} = -\frac{g_d}{g_1 g_2 g_{dm}} = -\frac{2}{8s+1} \cdot \frac{(8s+1)(2s+1)}{3} \cdot (0.5s+1)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{3} (2s+1)(0.5s+1)$$

This is not realizable. The simplest is to choose

$$C_{FF} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

(c) It is not so obvious which is the best because the disturbance  $d$  is not inside the inner loop.

- However, we see that we can make  $\tau_c = 0.5$  with cascade control, whereas  $\tau_c = 1.5$  without, so we can speed up the response with cascade (when using PI).

- An alternative would be to use a PID-controller for  $C$  (structure 1)

We have

$$g_1 g_2 g_{im} \approx \frac{3e^{-0.25s}}{(8s+1)(2.25s+1)}$$

So we could then choose  $\tau_c = 0.25$  (PID) which would be even faster than cascade control (two PI's).

- Feedforward control <sup>(if chosen)</sup> should be combined with feedback

## Problem 5

### Solution.

Yes, the system is stable since it satisfied the Bode stability criterion: For closed-loop stability the Loop gain  $|L|$  must be less than 1 (it is about 0.32 in this case) at the frequency  $\omega_{180}$  where the phase shift around the loop (in  $L$ ) is  $-180$  degrees.

At frequency  $\omega_{180}$ :  $GM=1/0.32 = 3.12$ ,

At frequency  $\omega_c$ :  $PM = -133 + 180 = 47$  degrees = 0.82 rad

$\omega_c = 0.73$  rad/s,  $DM = PM/\omega_c = 0.82/0.73 = 1.12$  s