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## DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

**COURSE NAME : 23EET206 CONTROL SYSTEMS AND  
INSTRUMENTATION**

II YEAR ECE /III SEMESTER

Unit 1- Control System Modelling

Topic 2 : Transfer Function



# TRANSFER FUNCTION

The transfer function of a control system is defined as the ratio of the Laplace transform of the output variable to Laplace transform of the input variable assuming all **initial conditions** to be **zero**.



$$\text{Transfer function} = \frac{\text{Laplace transform of output variable}}{\text{Laplace transform of input variable}}$$



$$T(S) = \frac{C(S)}{R(S)} = G(S)$$

T(S) = Transfer function of the system.

C(S) = output.

R(S) = Reference output.

G(S) = Gain

Negative Feedback TF=G/1+GH

Positive Feedback TF=G/1-GH



# METHODS OF OBTAINING A TRANSFER FUNCTION

**Block Diagram Method:** It is not convenient to derive a complete transfer function for a complex control system. Therefore the transfer function of each element of a control system is represented by a block diagram. Block diagram reduction techniques are applied to obtain the desired transfer function.

**Signal Flow Graphs:** The modified form of a block diagram is a signal flow graph. Block diagrams visually outline a control system, while signal flow graphs provide a more compact representation.



# POLES AND ZEROS

$$T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}$$

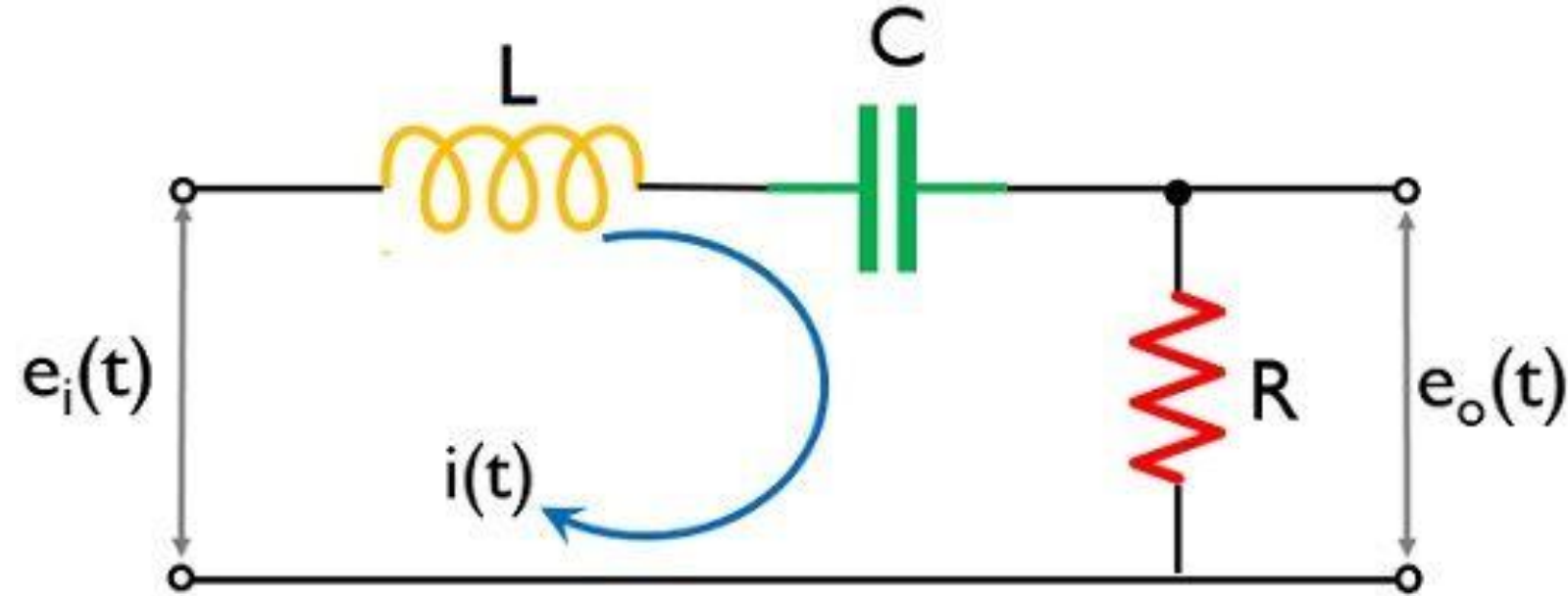
$$T(s) = \frac{a_0 s^m + a_1 s^{m-1} + \dots + a_m}{b_0 s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_n}$$

$$T(s) = \frac{K(s - s_a)(s - s_b) \dots (s - s_m)}{(s - s_1)(s - s_2) \dots (s - s_n)}$$

- $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_n$  are the roots of Poles of the System
- $s_a, s_b, s_c, \dots, s_m$  are the roots of Zeros of the System



# TRANSFER FUNCTION OF AN ELECTRIC CIRCUIT - EXAMPLE



Element	Time domain expression for voltage	Laplace domain expression for voltage	Laplace domain behaviour
Resistance R	$i(t) * R$	$I(s) R$	R
Capacitance C	$\frac{1}{C} \int i(t) dt$	$\frac{1}{sC} I(s)$	$\frac{1}{sC}$
Inductance L	$L \frac{d i(t)}{dt}$	$sL I(s)$	sL



# TRANSFER FUNCTION OF AN ELECTRIC CIRCUIT - EXAMPLE

Let  $e_i(t)$  and  $e_o(t)$  be the input applied and output of the circuit respectively.

On applying KVL in the above circuit,

$$e_i(t) = L \frac{di(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \int i(t) dt + i(t)R \quad \text{----- eq 1}$$

$$e_o(t) = i(t)R \quad \text{----- eq 2}$$

$$E_i(s) = sL I(s) + \frac{1}{C} \frac{I(s)}{s} + R I(s) \quad \text{----- eq 3}$$

$$E_o(s) = R I(s) \quad \text{----- eq 4}$$

$$E_i(s) = I(s) \left[ sL + R + \frac{1}{sC} \right] \quad \text{----- eq 5}$$

$$I(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{R}$$



# TRANSFER FUNCTION OF AN ELECTRIC CIRCUIT - EXAMPLE

$$E_i(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{R} \left[ sL + R + \frac{1}{sC} \right]$$

$$E_i(s) = \frac{E_o(s)}{R} \left[ \frac{s^2 LC + sRC + 1}{sC} \right]$$

$$\frac{E_i(s)}{E_o(s)} = \frac{s^2 LC + sRC + 1}{sRC}$$

$$\frac{E_o(s)}{E_i(s)} = \frac{sRC}{s^2 LC + sRC + 1}$$



# ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF TRANSFER FUNCTION

## Advantages

- The complex time-domain equations can be converted into simple algebraic form using Laplace transform.
- It provides the mathematical model of the overall system along with each system component.
- For a known transfer function, the output response is easy to determine for any reference input.
- It helps to determine important parameters of the system like poles, zeros, etc.
- The stability of the system can be easily analyzed using the transfer function.
- It helps to relate output with input.

## Disadvantages

- It is not applicable to non-linear systems.
- The initial conditions are not considered as the effects generated by them are neglected.





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