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Open Book

Attempt all questions.

**Q.1** The signal for a DC servo motor is a PWM signal at 50 Hz. The duty cycle of the signal indicates the desired position of the motor. When the on (5V) period of the PWM signal varies from 1 ms to 2 ms the motor moves from  $-90^\circ$  to  $90^\circ$  linearly. Design a signal conditioning circuit that convert the 50-Hz PWM signal (1-2 ms on period) to analog signal (0-5 V) whose noise at 50 Hz is attenuated for 3.01 dB. (25)

**Solution**

1. LPF circuit is used to convert PWM signal to DC signal.

A low pass filter with attenuation rate of 3.01 db at 50 Hz is used to convert PWM signal to dc signal.

$$\frac{E_0}{E_i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega RC)^2}}$$

$$0.5 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (50 \times 2\pi RC)^2}}$$

$$RC = 0.0055$$

Select  $R = 1k\Omega, C = C = 5.5\mu F$ .

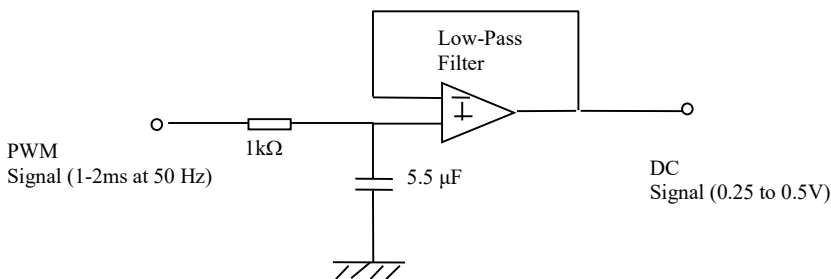
Determine the average of the PWM signal when the on period varies from 1 ms to 2 ms.

The average when the on period is 1 ms is determined as

$$V_{1ms} = \frac{\text{on period}}{\text{whole period}} V = \frac{0.001s}{1/(50Hz)} \times 5 = 0.25 V$$

The average when the on period is 2 ms is determined as

$$V_{2ms} = \frac{\text{on period}}{\text{whole period}} V = \frac{0.002s}{1/(50Hz)} \times 5 = 0.5 V$$



2. Differential amplifier circuit or summing circuit is used to convert dc (0.25-0.5 V) to (0-5 V)

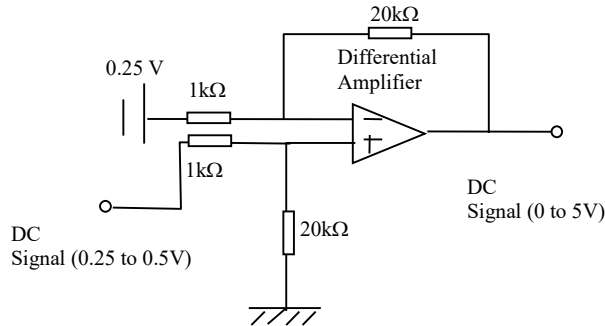
The required gain is determined.

$$G = \frac{\text{Change of output}}{\text{Change of input}} = \frac{5}{0.25} = 20$$

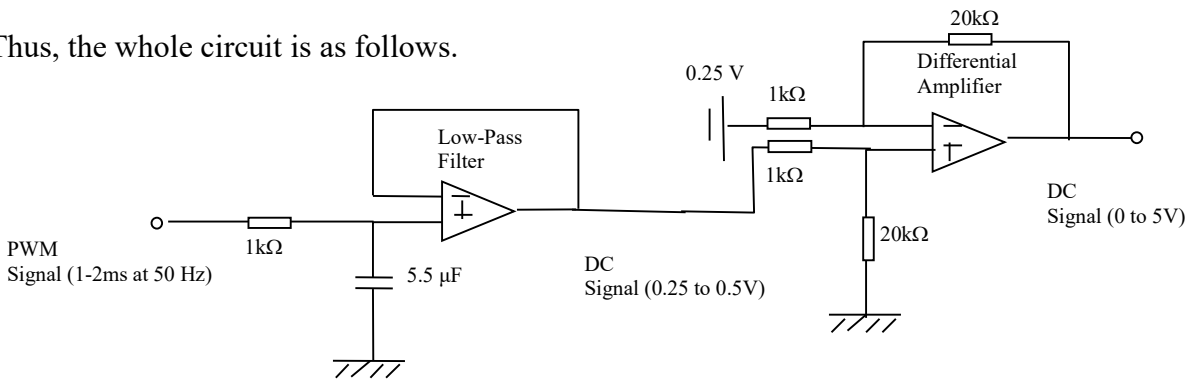
$$\frac{R_f}{R_1} = \frac{R_3}{R_2} = 20$$

Select  $R_1 = R_2 = 1k\Omega, R_f = R_3 = 20k\Omega$ .

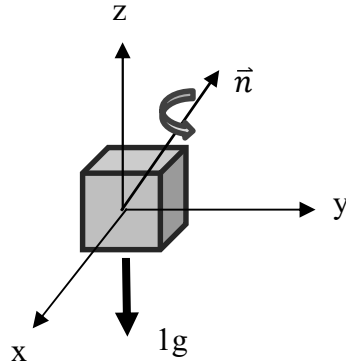
A constant voltage of 0.25 V is provided to the inverting input pin.



Thus, the whole circuit is as follows.



**Q.2** A 3-axis accelerometer is used to determine the attitude of an object rotating freely at the sea level. Assume the accelerometers are identical in all axis, the seismic mass deflects 1 mm from the acceleration of  $1g$  ( $9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ). Determine the deflections of seismic mass in all axes of the accelerometer when the object rotates around a normal vector  $\vec{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k$  for  $90^\circ$  as shown in the figure below. (25)



**Solution**

Determine new coordinate of  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$  from the old coordinate of  $(x, y, z) = (i, j, k)$ .

The new coordinate can be determined by any methods; for examples, using vector consideration, using Rodrigues formula, using Quaternion formula, etc.

By Rodrigues formula,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x} &= (1 - \cos(\theta))(x \cdot \vec{n})\vec{n} + \cos(\theta)x + \sin(\theta)(\vec{n} \times x) \\ \hat{x} &= (1 - \cos(90^\circ)) \left( i \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + \cos(90^\circ)i \\ &\quad + \sin(90^\circ) \left( \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \times i \right) \\ \hat{x} &= (1) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + (0)i + (1) \left( 0j - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}k \right) \\ \hat{x} &= (0.5i + 0.5j - 0.707k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the deflection of seismic mass along x axis from gravity acceleration is 0.707 mm.

$$\hat{y} = (1 - \cos(\theta))(y \cdot \vec{n})\vec{n} + \cos(\theta)y + \sin(\theta)(\vec{n} \times y)$$

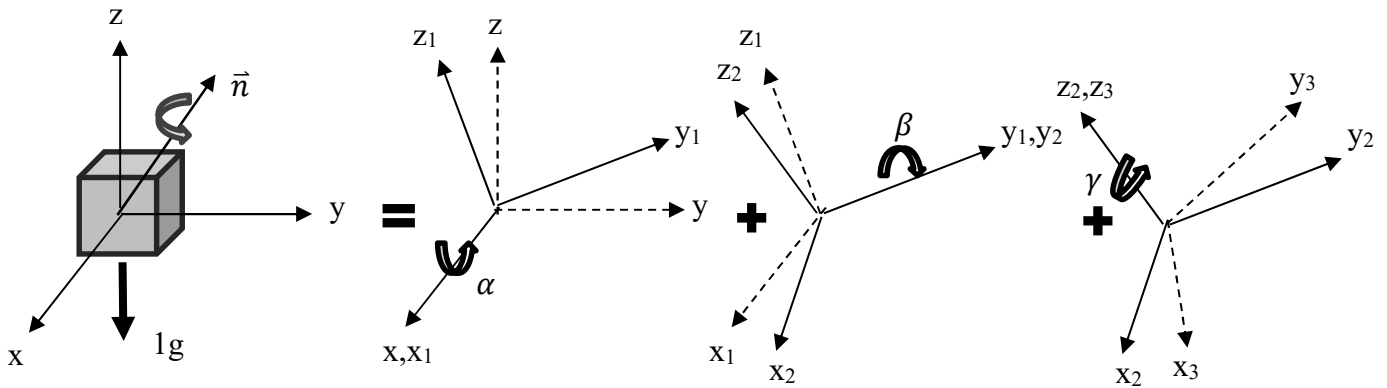
$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y} &= (1 - \cos(90^\circ)) \left( j \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + \cos(90^\circ)j \\ &\quad + \sin(90^\circ) \left( \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \times j \right) \\ \dot{y} &= (1) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + (0)j + (1) \left( 0i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}k \right) \\ \dot{y} &= (0.5i + 0.5j + 0.707k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the deflection of seismic mass along y axis from gravity acceleration is -0.707 mm.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{z} &= (1 - \cos(\theta))(z \cdot \vec{n})\vec{n} + \cos(\theta)z + \sin(\theta)(\vec{n} \times z) \\ \dot{z} &= (1 - \cos(90^\circ)) \left( k \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + \cos(90^\circ)k \\ &\quad + \sin(90^\circ) \left( \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) \times k \right) \\ \dot{z} &= (1)(0) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k \right) + (0)k + (1) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j \right) \\ \dot{z} &= (0.707i - 0.707j + 0k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the deflection of seismic mass along z axis from gravity acceleration is 0 mm.

**Q.3** If 3 single-axis rate-integrating gyros are used to measure rotations around the Euler coordinate of (x, y, z) or (roll ( $\alpha$ ), pitch ( $\beta$ ), and yaw ( $\gamma$ )) of the object in **Q.2**. Assume all the gyros are identical, the gyro deflects  $1^\circ$  from the angular displacement of  $10^\circ$ . Determine the deflections of the gyros in successive rotations of roll, pitch, and yaw when the object rotates around a normal vector  $\vec{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j + 0k$  for  $90^\circ$  as shown in the figure below. (25)



**Solution**

Rotation matrices are determined.

$$R_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ 0 & \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_y = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta) & 0 & \sin(\beta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\beta) & 0 & \cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_z = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\gamma) & -\sin(\gamma) & 0 \\ \sin(\gamma) & \cos(\gamma) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotations in three axis.

$$R = R_x R_y R_z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ 0 & \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta) & 0 & \sin(\beta) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin(\beta) & 0 & \cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\gamma) & -\sin(\gamma) & 0 \\ \sin(\gamma) & \cos(\gamma) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta)\cos(\gamma) & -\cos(\beta)\sin(\gamma) & \sin(\beta) \\ -\sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) & \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) & -\sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) \\ -\cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) & \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) & \cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\dot{x} \quad \dot{y} \quad \dot{z}] = R$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.707 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.707 \\ -0.707 & 0.707 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\beta)\cos(\gamma) & -\cos(\beta)\sin(\gamma) & \sin(\beta) \\ -\sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) & \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma) + \cos(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) & -\sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) \\ -\cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\sin(\gamma) & \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma) + \sin(\alpha)\cos(\gamma) & \cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta) \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider element (1,3),

$$0.707 = \sin(\beta)$$

$$\beta = 45^\circ$$

Thus the gyro used to detect pitch angle deflects 4.5°.

Divide element (2,3) by element (3,3),

$$\frac{-0.707}{0} = -\tan(\alpha)$$

$$\alpha = 90^\circ$$

Thus the gyro used to detect roll angle deflects 9°.

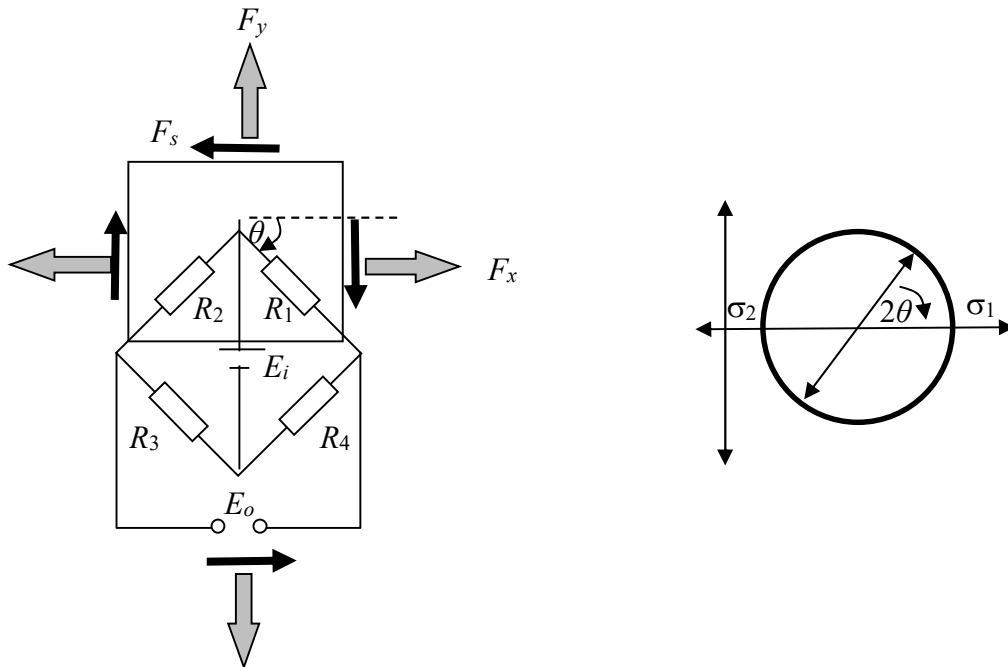
Divide element (1,2) by element (1,1),

$$\frac{0.5}{0.5} = -\tan(\gamma)$$

$$\gamma = -45^\circ$$

Thus the gyro used to detect yaw angle deflects -4.5°.

**Q.4** 4 identical strain gages; 2 gages,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , attached to a cubic block of a material and 2 gages,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$ , floated as shown below, are used to determine the principal normal stresses when a two axial forces,  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$  and shearing force,  $F_s$  are applied to the block as shown in the figure below. It's Mohr's circle is also shown in the same figure. Assume each side the cubic block has length of 10 cm and made of the material with Young's modulus,  $E$ , 200 GPa and Poisson's ratio,  $\nu$ , 0.25. The 4 identical strain gages, each has the nominal resistance,  $R$ , 120  $\Omega$  with gage factor,  $S_g$ , of 2.  $E_i$  is 5 V. If axial forces ( $F_x$ ,  $F_y$ ) and shearing force ( $F_s$ ) have the magnitude of 800,000, 400,000, and 200,000 N respectively are applied to the block, determine the alignment angle,  $\theta$ , of strain gage  $R_1$  that can detect the principal normal stress,  $\sigma_1$ . Strain gage  $R_2$  is always aligned 90° relative to strain gage  $R_1$  and used to detect  $\sigma_2$ . What is the voltage output reading? (25)



**Solution**

Axial stress along x-axis,

$$\sigma_x = \frac{F_x}{A_x} = \frac{800,000}{0.01} = 80,000,000 \text{ Pa} = 80 \text{ MPa}$$

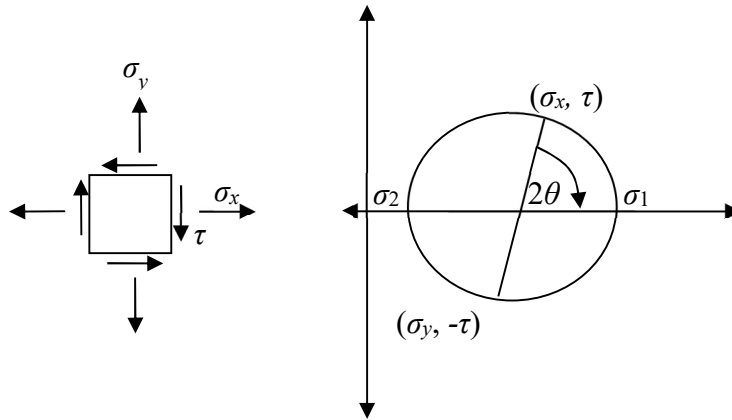
Axial stress along y-axis,

$$\sigma_y = \frac{F_y}{A_y} = \frac{400,000}{0.01} = 40,000,000 \text{ Pa} = 40 \text{ MPa}$$

Shearing stress,

$$\tau = \frac{F_s}{A_s} = \frac{200,000}{0.01} = 20,000,000 \text{ Pa} = 20 \text{ MPa}$$

Cross section and Mohr's circle,



Center of the Mohr's circle,

$$\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} = 60 \text{ MPa}$$

Radius of the Mohr's circle,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{20^2 + 20^2} &= 28.28 \text{ MPa} \\ \sigma_1 &= 60 + 28.28 = 88.28 \text{ MPa} \\ \sigma_2 &= 60 - 28.28 = 31.72 \text{ MPa} \\ 2\theta &= \text{atan}\left(\frac{20}{20}\right) = 45^\circ \end{aligned}$$

The alignment of strain gage  $R_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= 22.5^\circ \\ \frac{\Delta R_1}{R_1} &= \frac{\sigma_1 - \nu\sigma_2}{E} S_g \\ \frac{\Delta R_2}{R_2} &= \frac{\sigma_2 - \nu\sigma_1}{E} S_g \\ E_0 &= \frac{r}{(1+r)^2} \left[ \frac{\Delta R_1}{R_1} - \frac{\Delta R_2}{R_2} \right] E_i \end{aligned}$$

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{4} [88.28 - 0.25 \times 31.72 - 31.72 + 0.25 \times 88.28] \frac{2 \times 5}{200,000} = 0.88 \text{ mV}$$