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# Control Systems

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Abstract—This manual is an introduction to control systems based on GATE problems.Links to sample Python codes are available in the text.

Download python codes using

svn co https://github.com/gadepall/school/trunk/control/codes

### 1 Mason's Gain Formula

1.1. The Block diagram of a system is illustrated in the figure shown, where X(s) is the input and Y(s) is the output. Draw the equivalent signal flow graph.

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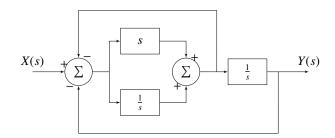


Fig. 1.1.1: Block Diagram

**Solution:** The signal flow graph of the block diagram in Fig. 1.1.1 is available in Fig. 1.1.2

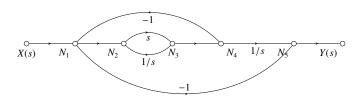


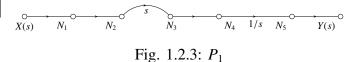
Fig. 1.1.2: Signal Flow Graph

1.2. Draw all the forward paths in Fig. 1.1.2 and compute the respective gains.

**Solution:** The forward paths are available in Figs. 1.2.3 and 1.2.4. The respective gains are

$$P_1 = s\left(\frac{1}{s}\right) = 1\tag{1.2.1}$$

$$P_2 = (1/s)(1/s) = 1/s^2$$
 (1.2.2)



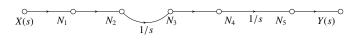


Fig. 1.2.4: P<sub>2</sub>

1.3. Draw all the loops in Fig. 1.1.2 and calculate the respective gains.

**Solution:** The loops are available in Figs. 1.3.5-1.3.8 and the corresponding gains are

$$L_1 = (-1)(s) = -s \tag{1.3.1}$$

$$L_2 = s\left(\frac{1}{s}\right)(-1) = -1$$
 (1.3.2)

$$L_3 = \left(\frac{1}{s}\right)(-1) = -\frac{1}{s} \tag{1.3.3}$$

$$L_4 = \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) (-1) = -\frac{1}{s^2} \tag{1.3.4}$$

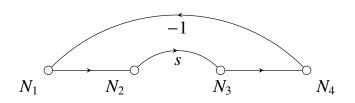


Fig. 1.3.5:  $L_1$ 

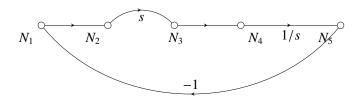


Fig. 1.3.6: L<sub>2</sub>

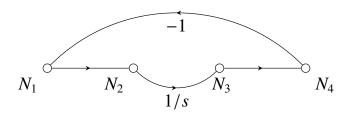


Fig. 1.3.7: L<sub>3</sub>

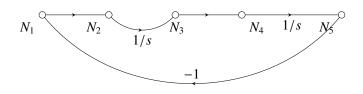


Fig. 1.3.8: L<sub>4</sub>

1.4. State Mason's Gain formula and explain the parameters through a table.

Solution: According to Mason's Gain Formula,

$$T = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} \tag{1.4.1}$$

$$=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} P_i \Delta_i}{\Delta} \tag{1.4.2}$$

where the parameters are described in Table 1.4

Variable	Description			
$P_i$	ith forward path			
$L_{j}$	<i>j</i> th loop			
Δ	$1 - \sum_{L_i} + \sum_{L_i \cap L_j = \phi} L_i L_j - \sum_{L_i \cap L_j \cap L_k = \phi} L_i L_j L_k + \dots$			
$\Delta_i$	$1 - \sum_{L_k \cap P_i = \phi} L_k + \sum_{L_k \cap L_j \cap P_i = \phi} L_k L_j - \dots$			

TABLE 1.4

1.5. List the parameters in Table 1.4 for Fig. 1.1.2. **Solution:** The parameters are available in Table 1.5

Path	Value	Parameter	Value	Remarks
$P_1$	1	$\Delta_1$	1	All loops
				intersect
				with $P_1$
$P_2$	$\frac{1}{s^2}$	$\Delta_2$	1	All loops
				intersect
				with $P_2$
$L_1$	-s			
$L_2$	-1			
$L_3$	$-\frac{1}{s}$	Δ	$1-\sum_i L_i$	All loops
	_			intersect
$L_4$	$-\frac{1}{a^2}$			

TABLE 1.5

1.6. Find the transfer function using Mason's Gain Formula.

**Solution:** From (1.4.2) and 1.5,

$$T(s) = \frac{P_1 \Delta_1 + P_2 \Delta_2}{\Delta} \tag{1.6.1}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{s^2}}{1 - (-s - 1 - \frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{s^2})}$$
 (1.6.2)

$$=\frac{s^2+1}{s^3+2s^2+s+1} \tag{1.6.3}$$

after simplification.

1.7. Write a program to compute Mason's gain formula, given the branch nodes and gains for

each path.

**Solution:** The following code computes Masons Gain

codes/MasonsGain.py

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