

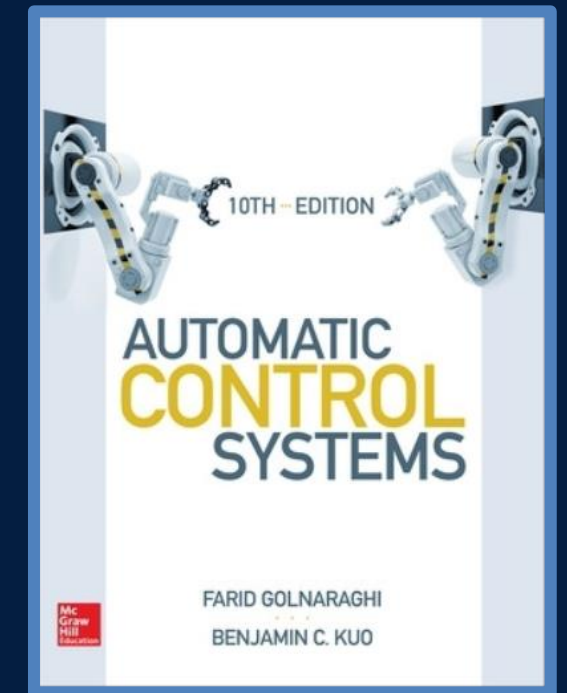
# HUMBER ENGINEERING

MENG 3510 – Control Systems  
LECTURE 3

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## Block Diagrams & Signal Flow Graphs

- Block Diagram Representation
  - Series, Parallel & Feedback Connections
- Block Diagram Reduction Techniques
  - Moving a Comparator
  - Moving a Branch Point
- Signal Flow Graph
  - Definitions of Signal Flow Graph Terms
  - Mason's Gain Formula
  - SFG & State-space Equations
- Case Study: Antenna Control System



### Chapter 4

# Block Diagram Models

- **Block diagram representation**, is usually used by control engineers to represent control systems because of its **simplicity** and **versatility** to show the **interconnection of the system components**.
- It provides a **graphical approach** to describe how components of a control system interact.

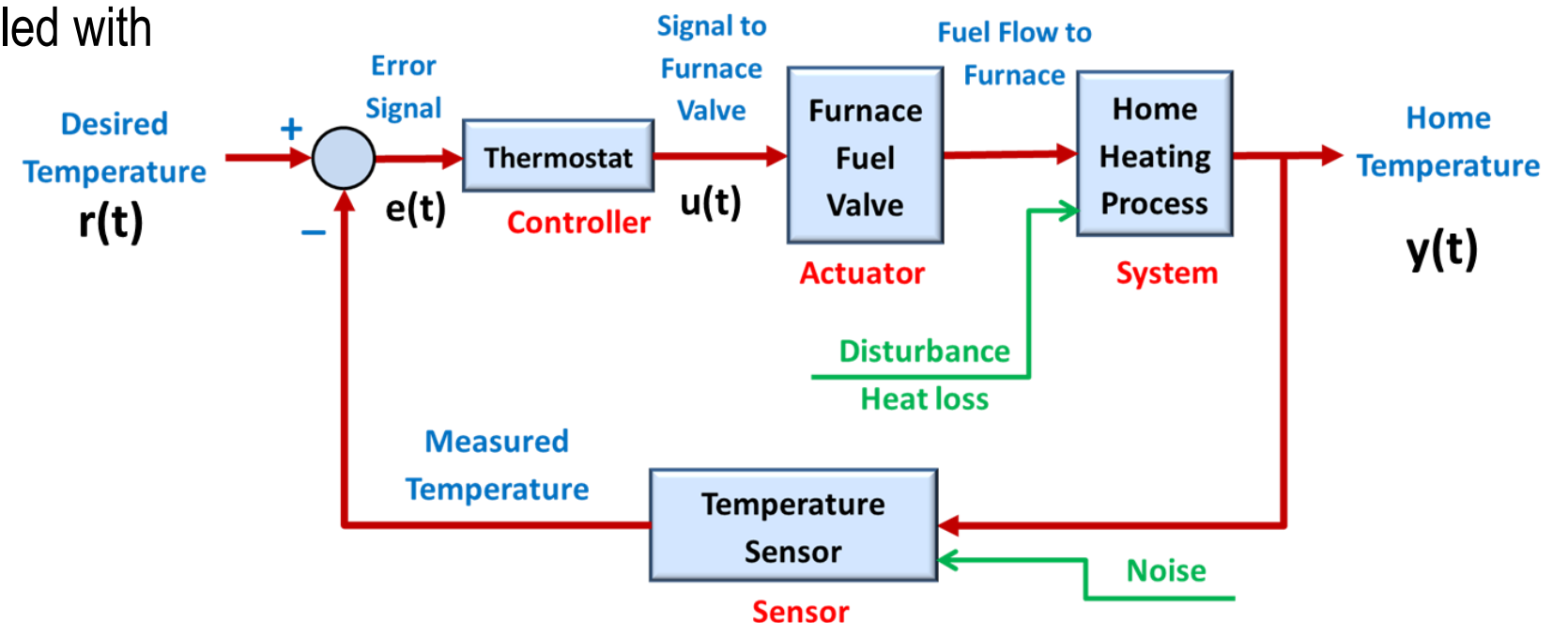
- **Basic elements** of block diagram representation

- **Rectangles** → Subsystems transfer functions:  $G(s)$ ,  $H(s)$ , ....
- **Arrows** → Signal flow directions :  $u(t)$ ,  $e(t)$ ,  $y(t)$  ...,  $U(s)$ ,  $E(s)$ ,  $Y(s)$ , ....
- **Circles** → Comparators to add or subtract signals

- Each subsystem is represented by a function block, labeled with the corresponding transfer function



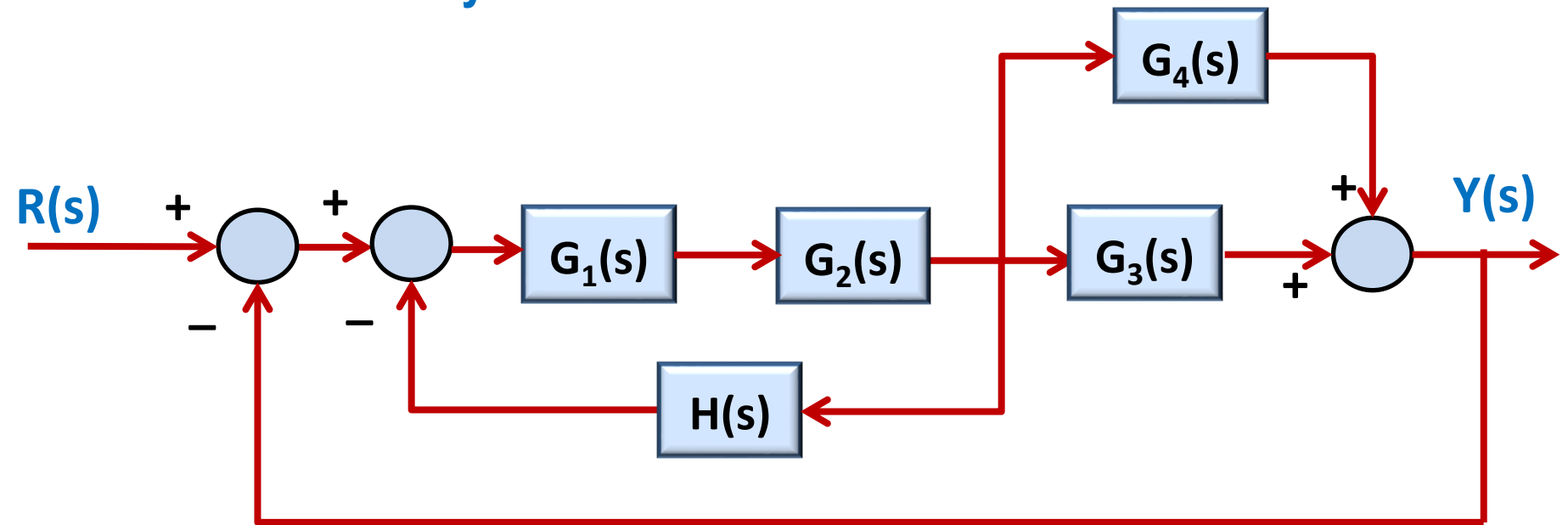
$$Y(s) = G(s)U(s)$$



# Block Diagram Models

- Control systems may consist of several **interconnected subsystems**.

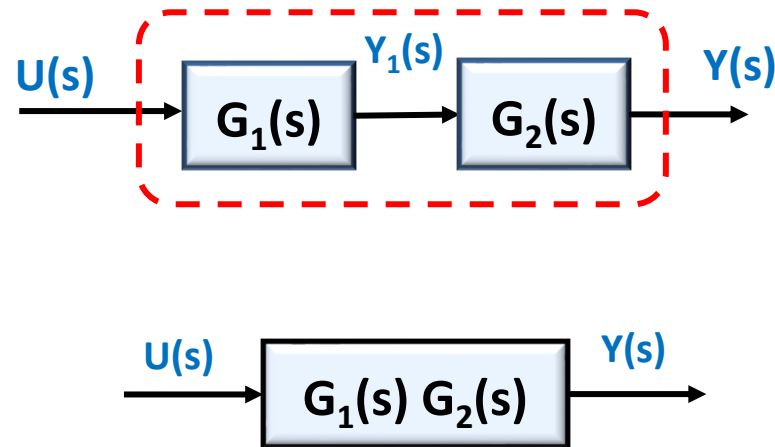
- **Series Connection**
- **Parallel Connection**
- **Feedback Connection**



- How to **simplify** a complicated block diagram and determine the overall transfer function?
- There are two general approaches:
  - ✓ **Applying block diagram reduction techniques**
  - ✓ **Mason's Formula based on Signal Flow Graphs**

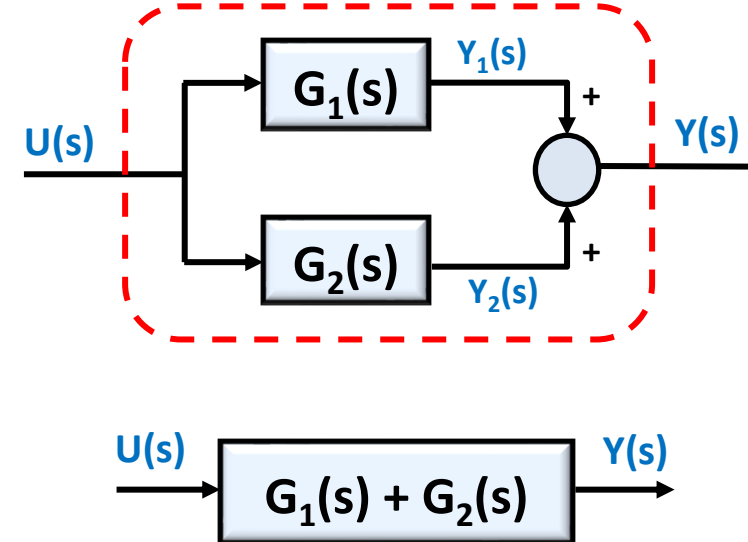
# Block Diagram Models

## Series Connection:



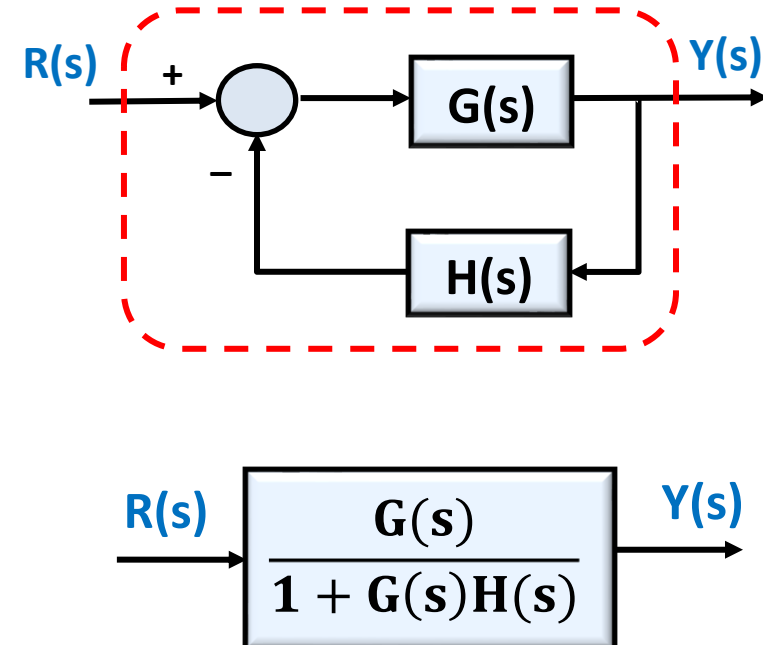
$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = G_1(s) G_2(s)$$

## Parallel Connection:



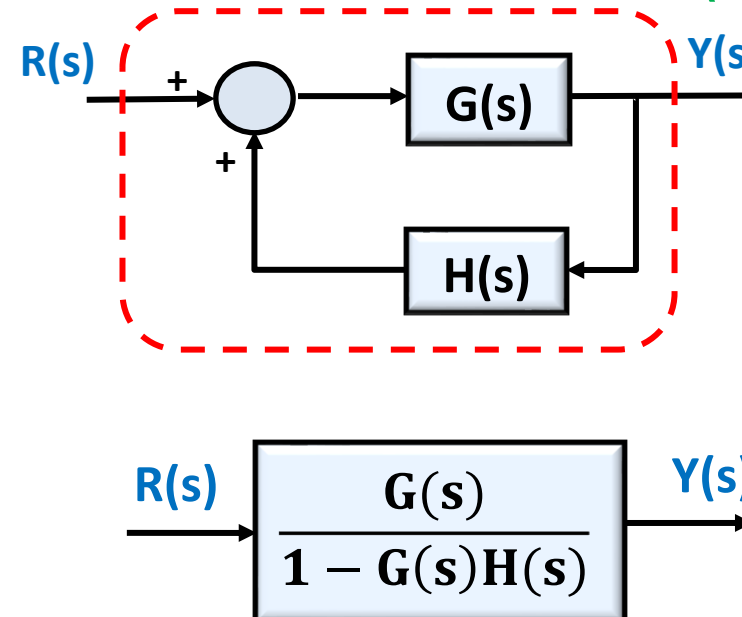
$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = G_1(s) + G_2(s)$$

## Feedback Connection (Negative Feedback):



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

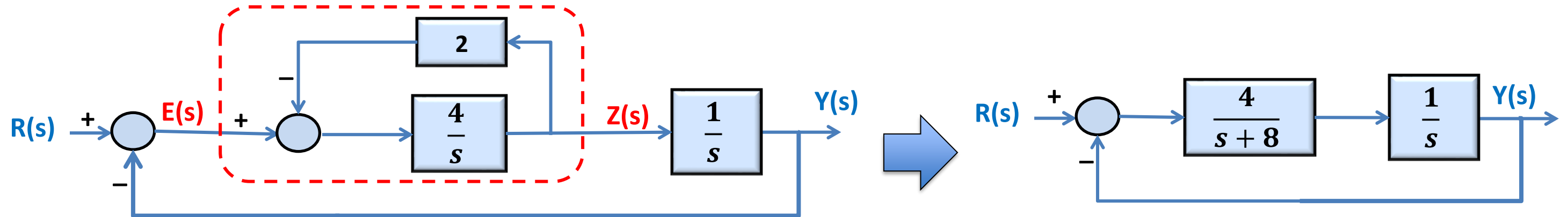
## Feedback Connection (Positive Feedback):



$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 - G(s)H(s)}$$

# Block Diagram Models

**Example 1** Find the closed-loop transfer function from  $Y(s)$  to  $R(s)$ .

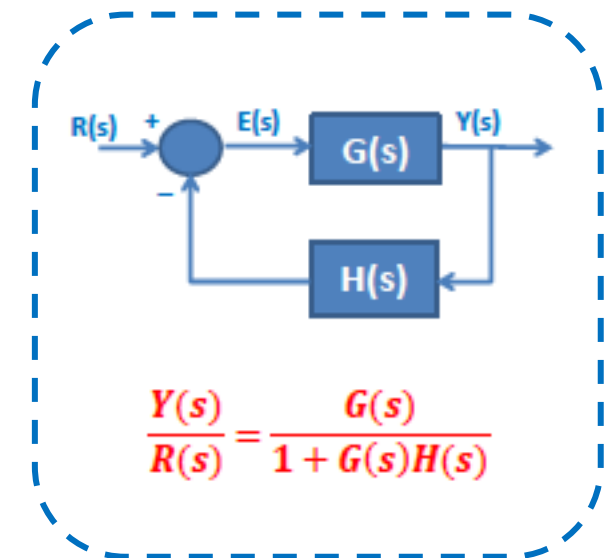


First determine the transfer function of internal feedback loop from  $Z(s)$  to  $E(s)$ :

$$\frac{Z(s)}{E(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)} = \frac{\frac{4}{s}}{1 + \left(\frac{4}{s}\right)(2)} = \frac{\frac{4}{s}}{1 + \frac{8}{s}} = \frac{\frac{4}{s}}{\frac{s+8}{s}} = \frac{4}{s+8}$$

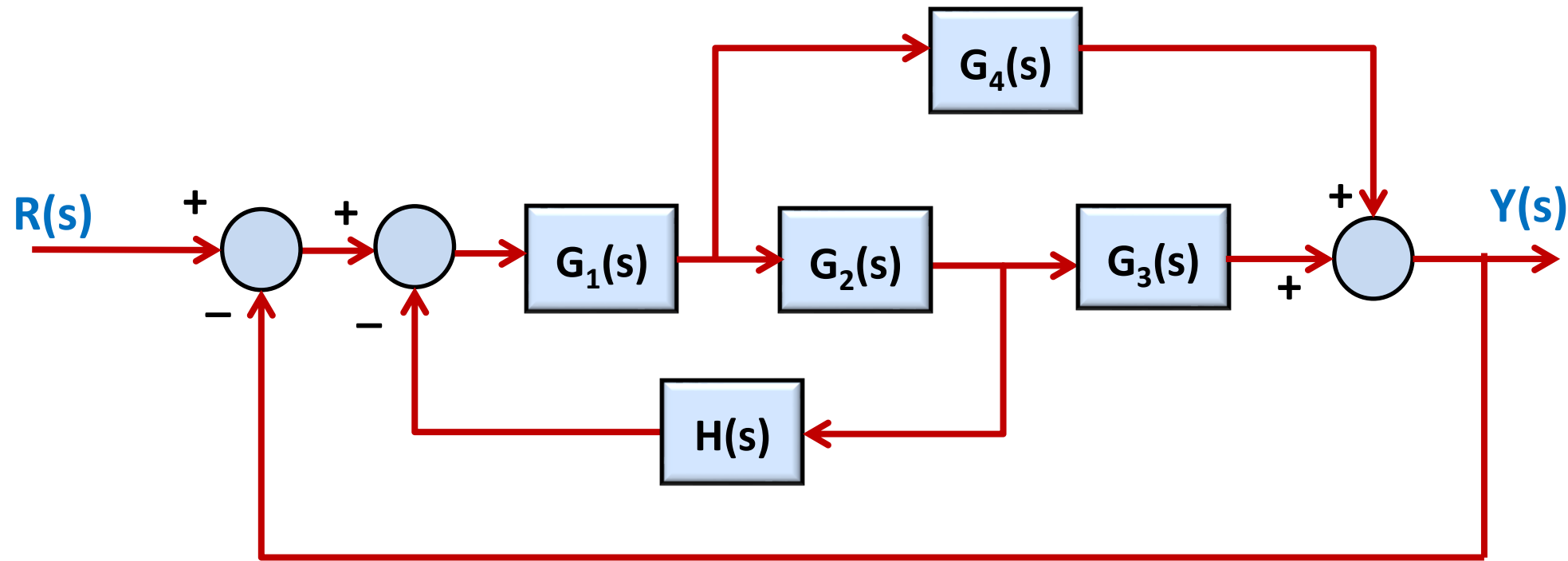
Thus, the overall transfer function from  $Y(s)$  to  $R(s)$  is:

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)H(s)} = \frac{\frac{4}{s(s+8)}}{1 + \frac{4}{s(s+8)}(1)} = \frac{\frac{4}{s(s+8)}}{\frac{s(s+8)+4}{s(s+8)}} = \frac{4}{s^2 + 8s + 4}$$



# Block Diagram Models

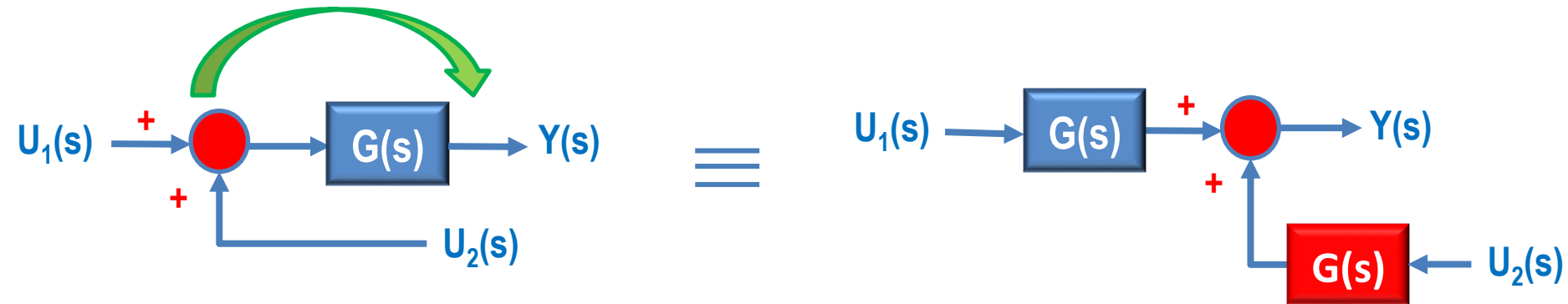
- In some cases, it is required to apply more **block diagram transformation techniques** to simplify the overall block diagram.



- There are some **block diagram transformation** techniques to simplify the topology of a block diagram.
  - ✓ **Moving a Comparator**
  - ✓ **Moving a Branch Point**

# Block Diagram Models

## □ Moving a Comparator Behind a Block



$$Y(s) = G(s)[U_1(s) + U_2(s)] = G(s)U_1(s) + G(s)U_2(s)$$

## □ Moving a Comparator Ahead of a Block

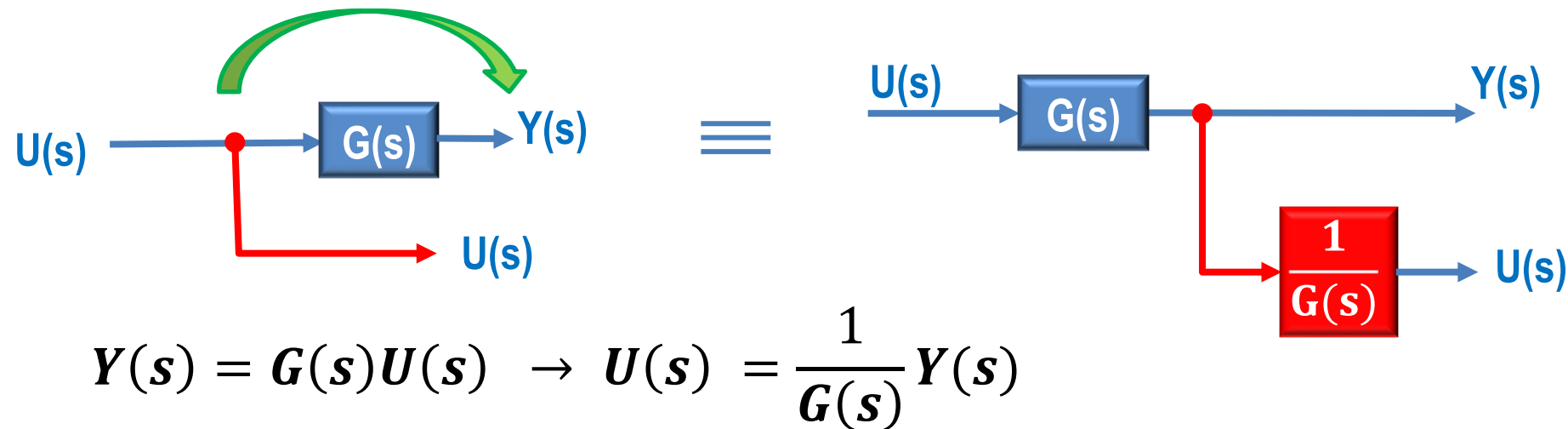


$$Y(s) = G(s)U_1(s) + U_2(s) = G(s)\left[U_1(s) + \frac{1}{G(s)}U_2(s)\right]$$

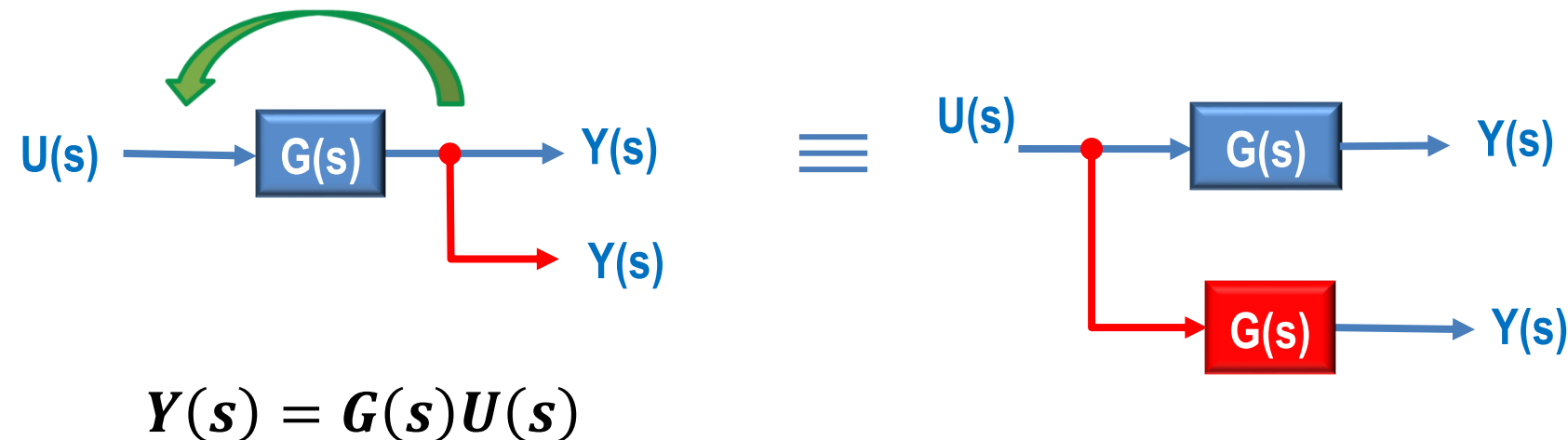


# Block Diagram Models

## □ Moving a Branch Behind a Block



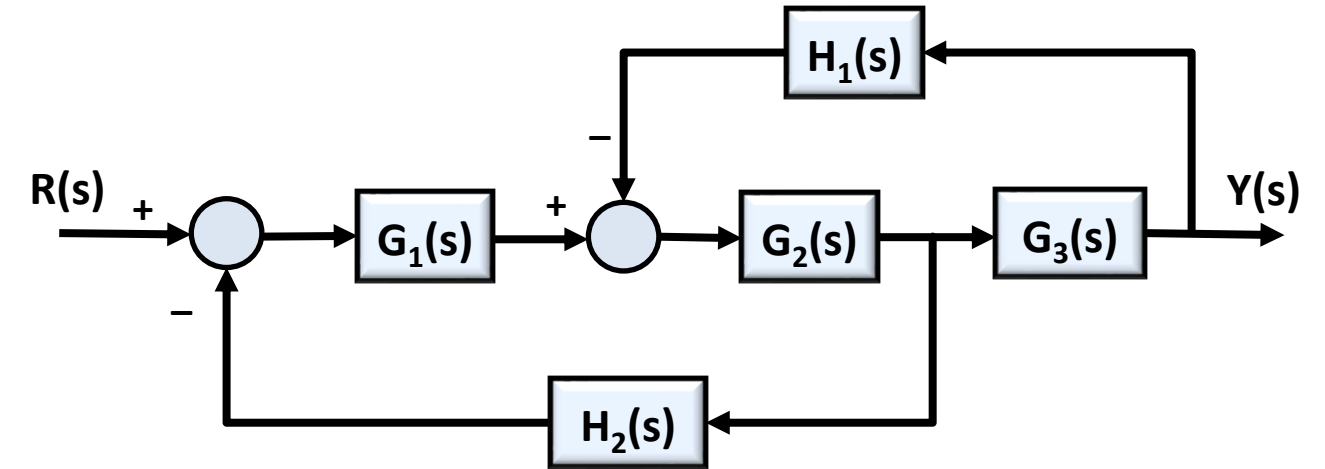
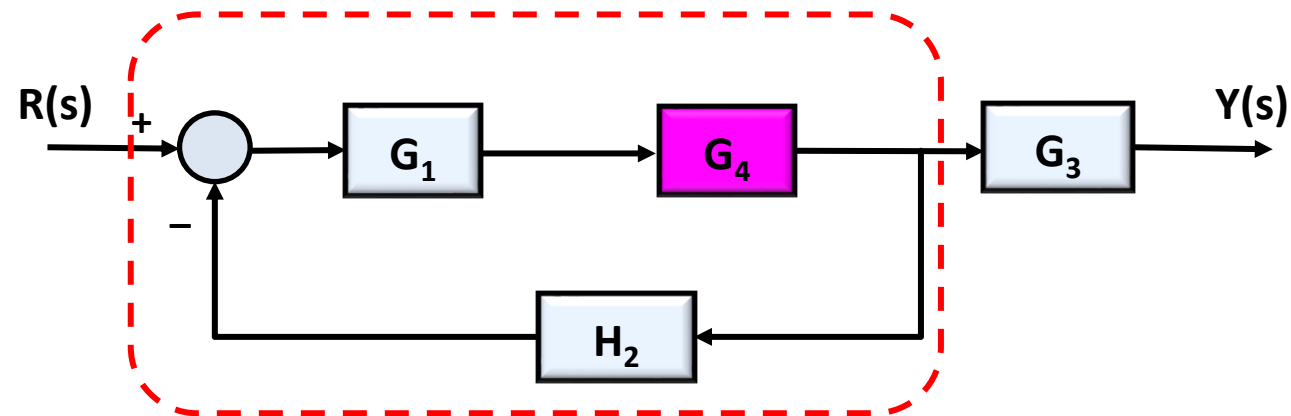
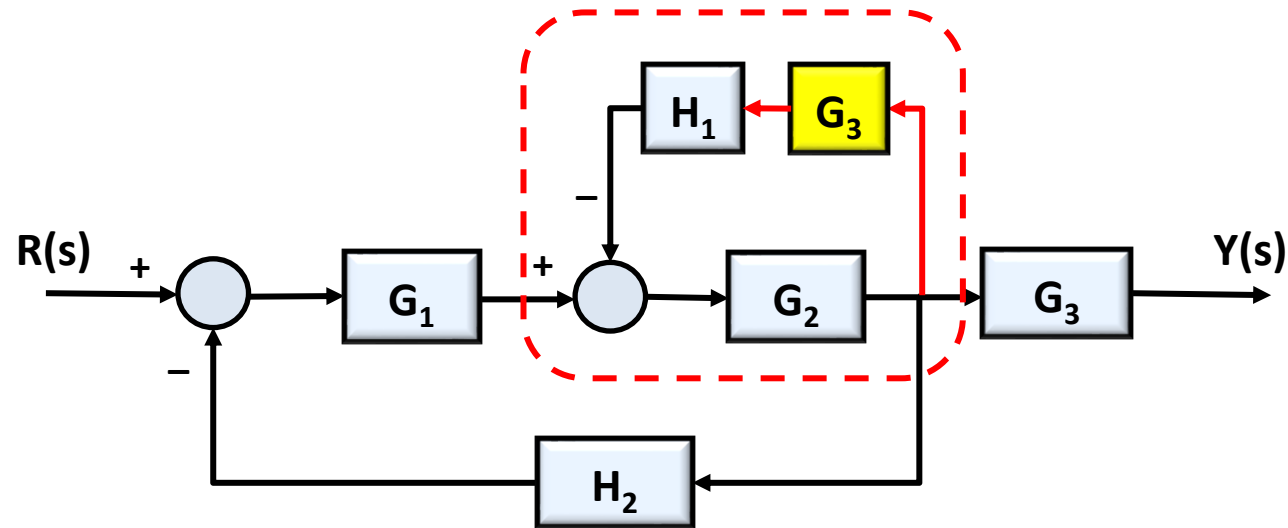
## □ Moving a Branch Ahead of a Block



# Block Diagram Models

## Example 2

Find the closed-loop transfer function utilizing the block diagram transformation techniques.



$$G_4 = \frac{G_2}{1 + G_2 G_3 H_1}$$

$$G_5 = \frac{G_1 G_4}{1 + G_1 G_4 H_2}$$

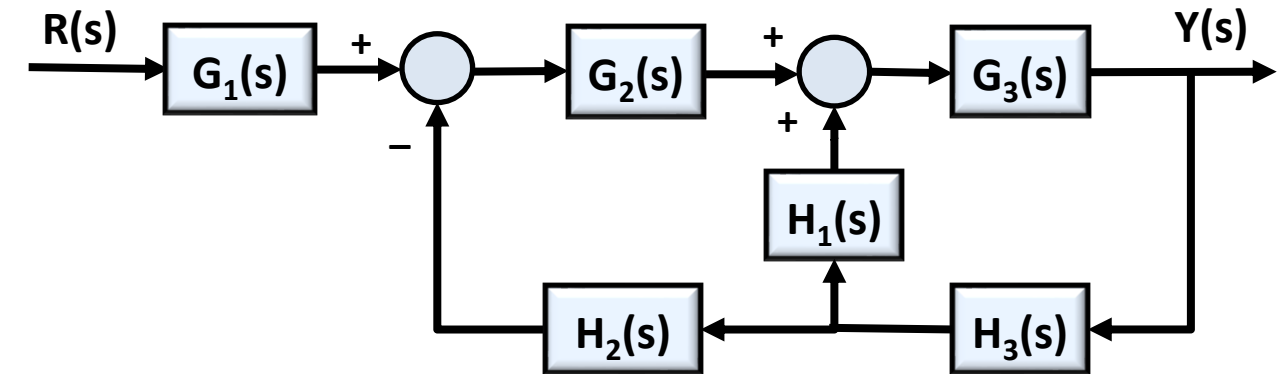
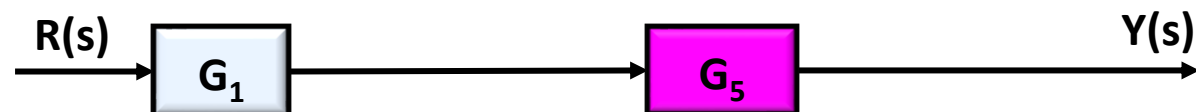
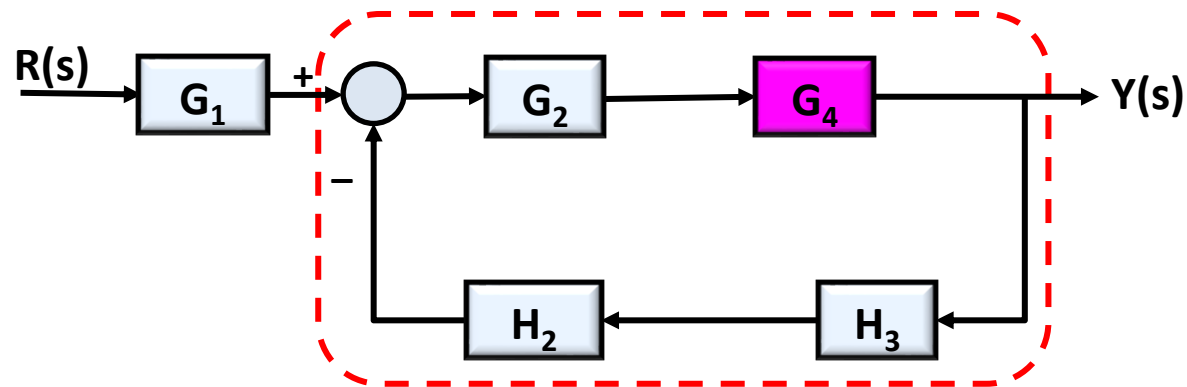
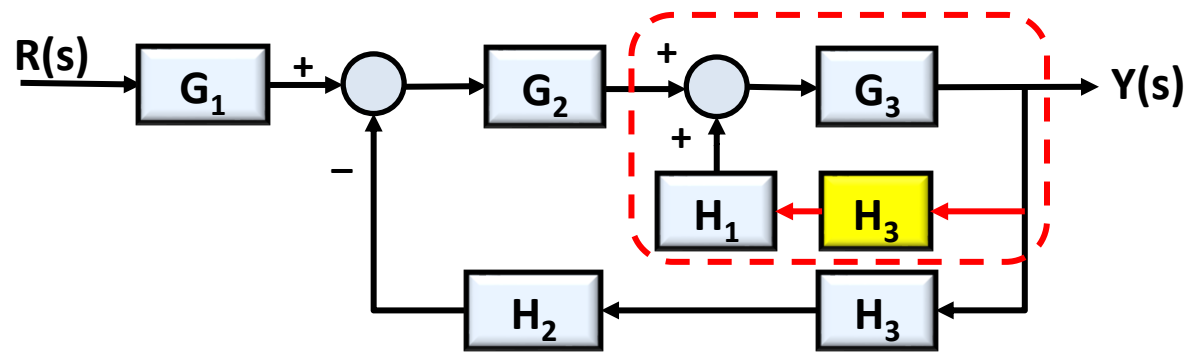
$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = G_5 G_3 = \frac{G_1 G_4 G_3}{1 + G_1 G_4 H_2} = \frac{G_1 \left( \frac{G_2}{1 + G_2 G_3 H_1} \right) G_3}{1 + G_1 \left( \frac{G_2}{1 + G_2 G_3 H_1} \right) H_2}$$

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G_1 G_2 G_3}{1 + G_2 G_3 H_1 + G_1 G_2 H_2}$$

# Block Diagram Models

## Example 3

Find the closed-loop transfer function utilizing the block diagram transformation techniques.



$$G_4 = \frac{G_3}{1 - G_3 H_1 H_3}$$

$$G_5 = \frac{G_2 G_4}{1 + G_2 G_4 H_2 H_3}$$

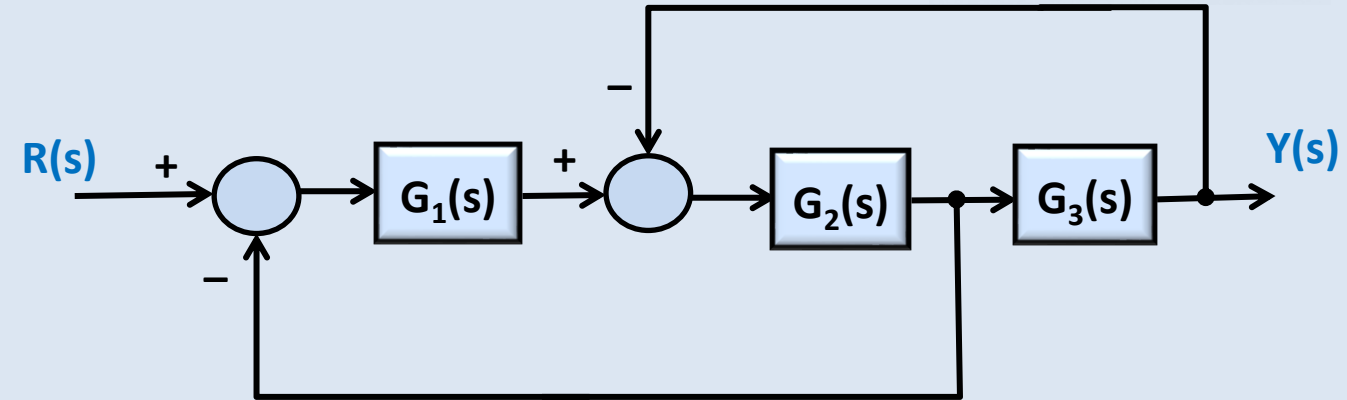
$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = G_1 G_5 = \frac{G_1 G_2 G_4}{1 + G_2 G_4 H_2 H_3} = \frac{G_1 G_2 \left( \frac{G_3}{1 - G_3 H_1 H_3} \right)}{1 + G_2 \left( \frac{G_3}{1 - G_3 H_1 H_3} \right) H_2 H_3}$$

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{G_1 G_2 G_3}{1 - G_3 H_1 H_3 + G_2 G_3 H_2 H_3}$$

# Quick Review

1) Find the overall closed-loop transfer function from  $Y(s)$  to  $R(s)$ .

$$G_1(s) = 10, \quad G_2(s) = \frac{1}{s+2}, \quad G_3(s) = \frac{s+2}{s+10}$$



a)  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{10(s+2)}{s^2+12s+20}$

b)  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{10(s+2)}{s^2+23s+122}$

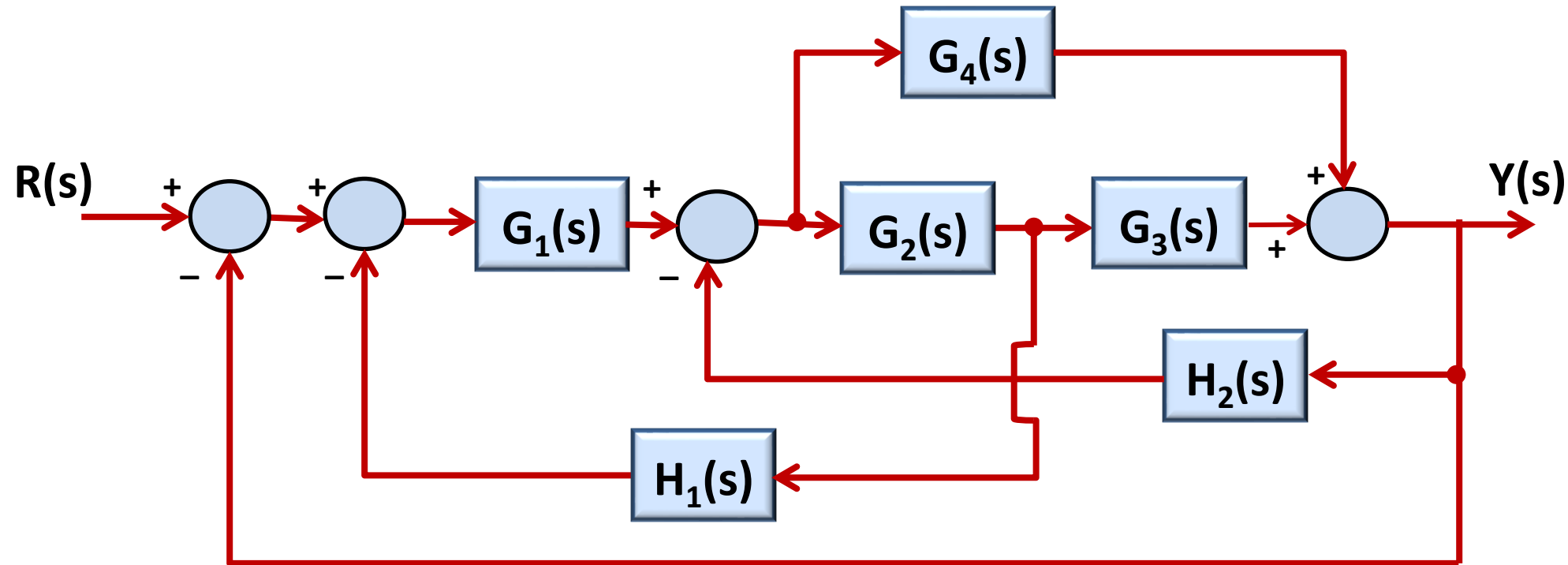
c)  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{5(s+10)}{s^2+5s+22}$

d)  $\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{5(s+10)}{s^2+4s+100}$



# Signal-Flow Graphs

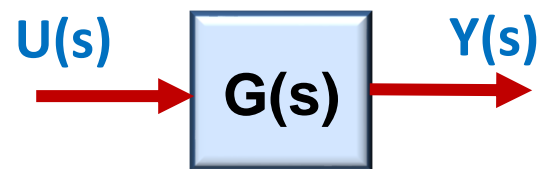
- Block diagram reduction technique can be quite time-consuming for very complicated systems



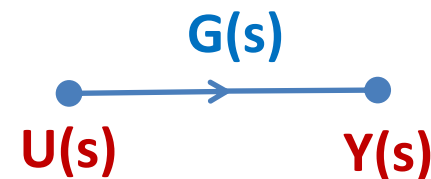
- **Mason's Gain Formula** is a systematic way to compute transfer function from any input to any output in the diagram
- The method is algorithmic and based on **Signal-Flow Graphs (SFG)**

# Signal-Flow Graphs

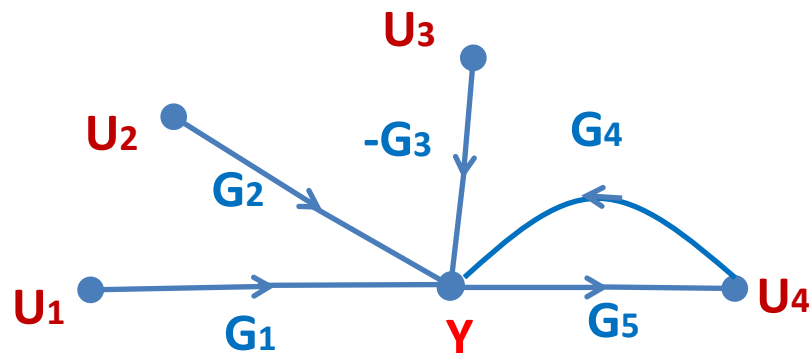
- **Signal-Flow Graph (SFG)** is an alternative graphical approach to show the interconnection of a control system.
- **Basic elements of SFG:**
  - **Nodes** → Signals:  $U(s)$ ,  $Y(s)$ ,  $E(s)$  ....
  - **Branches** → Connects nodes. It has a gain and shows direction of signal flow
  - **Transmittance** → Gain between two nodes (Transfer functions):  $G(s)$ ,  $H(s)$ , ...



$$Y(s) = G(s)U(s)$$



- **SGF Algebra:** The value of the variable in a node is equal to the sum of all signals **entering** the node.



$$Y = U_1 G_1 + U_2 G_2 - U_3 G_3 + U_4 G_4$$

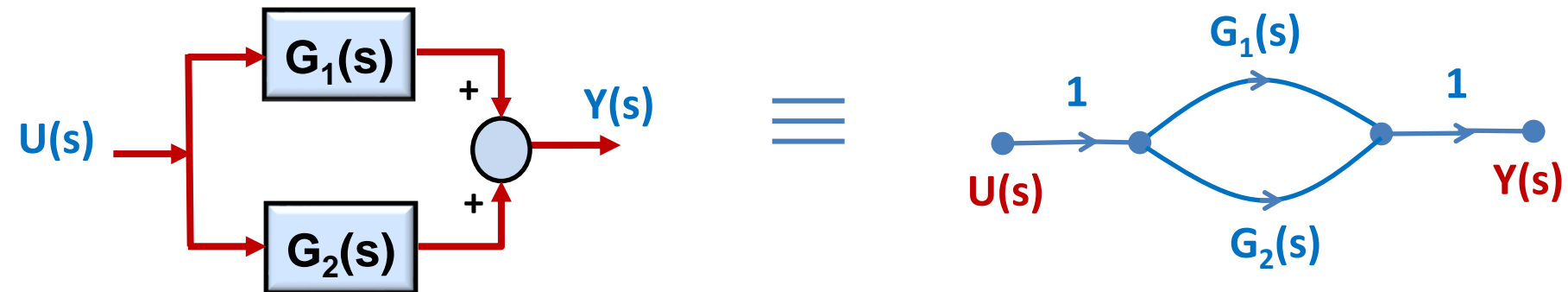
$$U_4 = Y G_5$$

# Signal-Flow Graphs

## □ Series Connection



## □ Parallel Connection



## □ Feedback Connection



# Signal-Flow Graphs

## Example 4

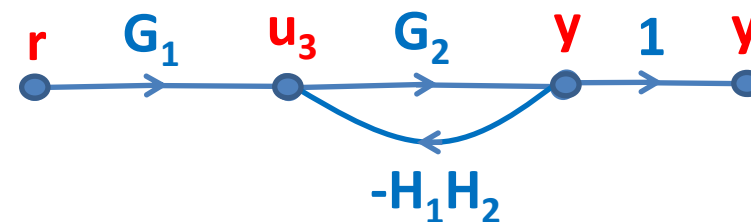
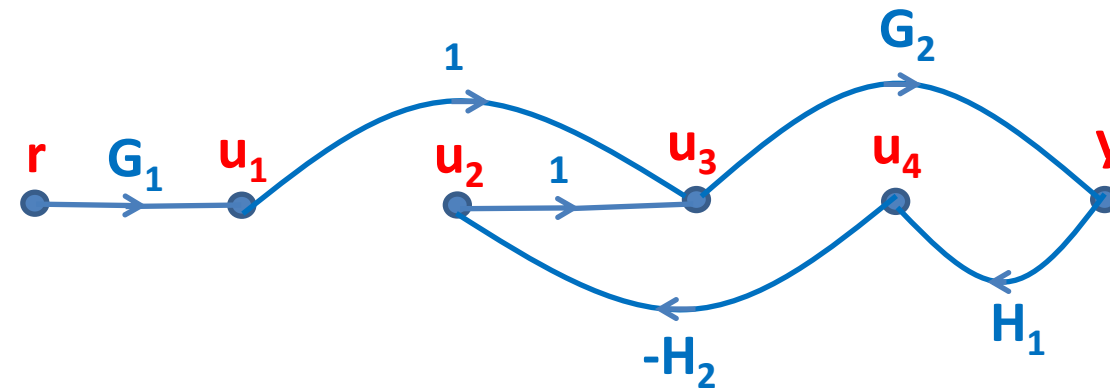
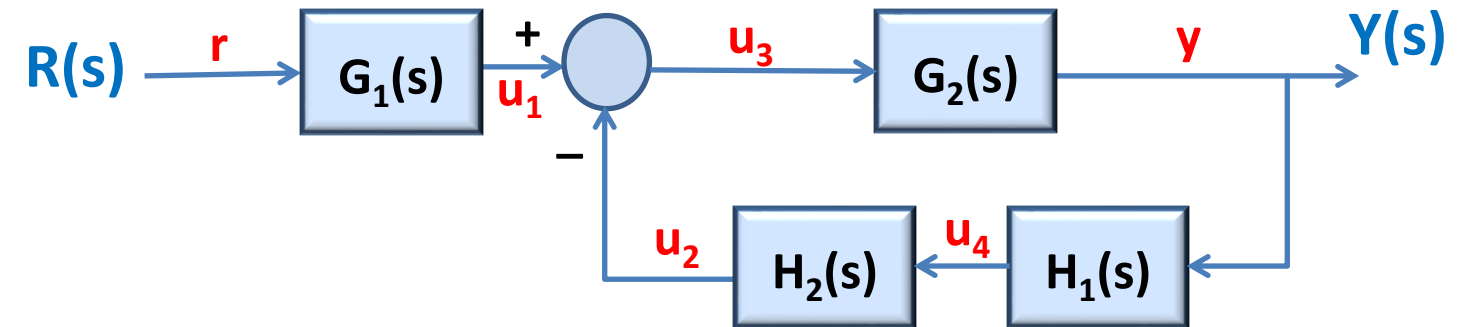
Draw Signal Flow Graph (SGF) of the following block diagram.

**Step 1:** Label all systems inputs-outputs

**Step 2:** Place all the nodes of SFG

**Step 3:** Draw the branches of SFG

**Step 4:** Simplify the SFG

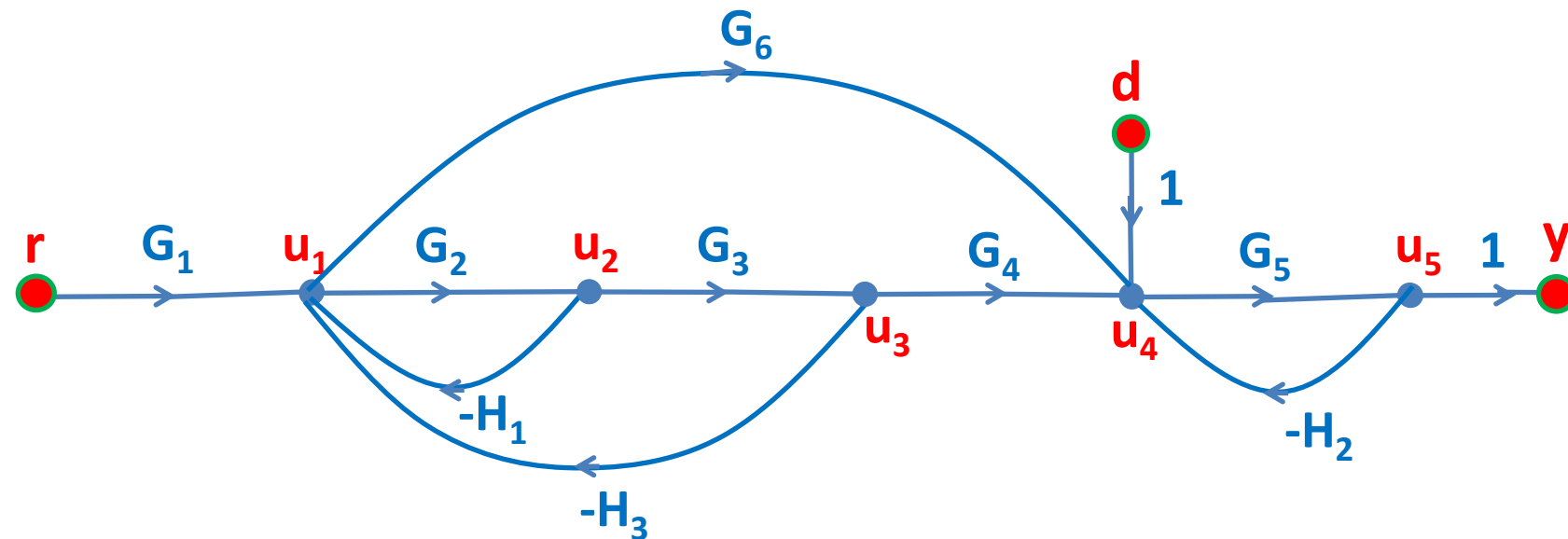




# Signal-Flow Graphs

## □ Definitions of SFG Terms

- The following terms are useful for the purpose of identification and execution of the SFG algebra.
  - **Input Node (Source)** → A node that has only **outgoing** branches.
  - **Output Node (Sink)** → A node that has only **incoming** branches.

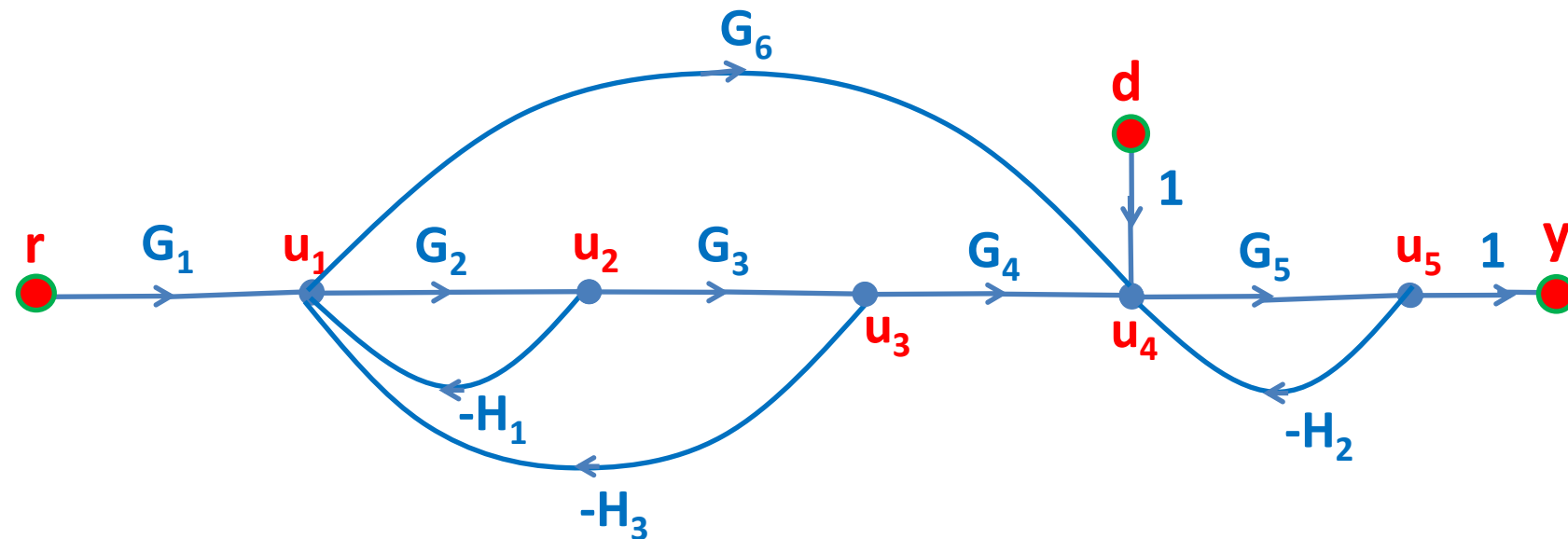


- Input nodes:  $r, d$
- Output node:  $y$

# Signal-Flow Graphs

## □ Definitions of SFG Terms

- The following terms are useful for the purpose of identification and execution of the SFG algebra.
  - **Forward Path** → A path from an **input-node (source)** and to an **output-node (sink)** that does not cross any nodes more than once. The path must be in the **same direction** of branches.
  - **Forward Path Gain** → **Product** of the **branch gains** of a forward path.

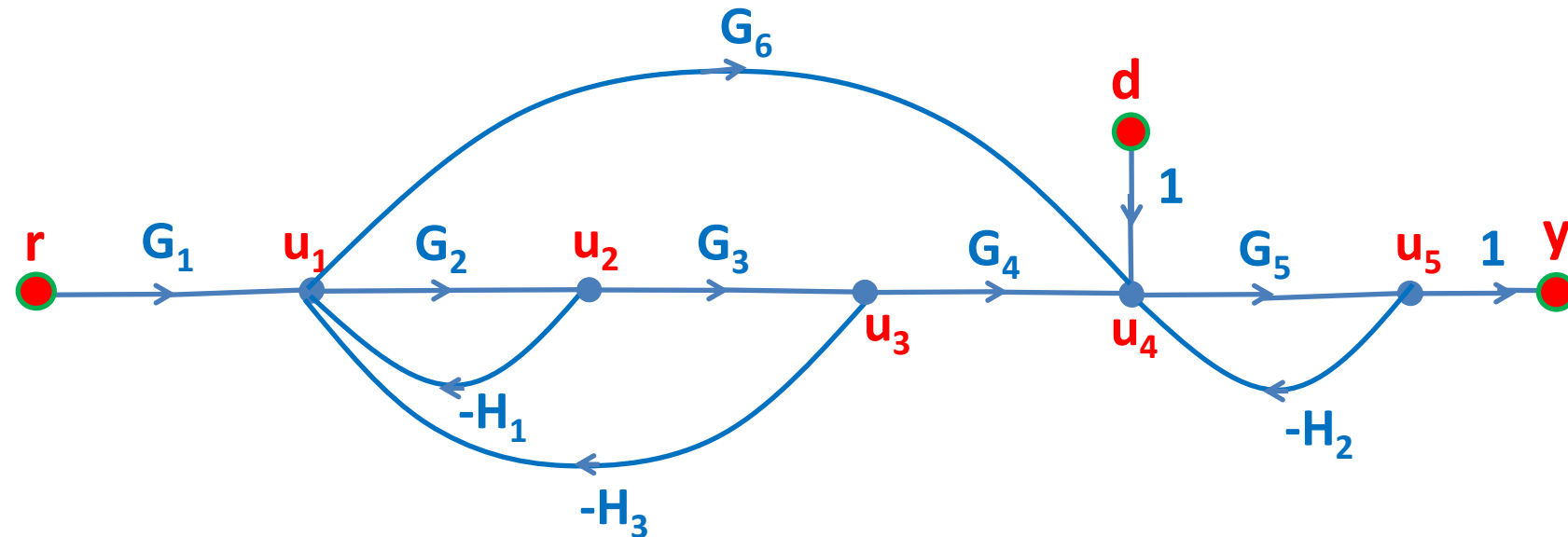


- Forward paths gain from  $r$  to  $y$ :  $G_1 G_2 G_3 G_4 G_5$ ,  $G_1 G_6 G_5$
- Forward path gain from  $d$  to  $y$ :  $G_5$

# Signal-Flow Graphs

## □ Definitions of SFG Terms

- The following terms are useful for the purpose of identification and execution of the SFG algebra.
  - **Loop** → A path that **originates** and **terminates** on the **same node**, and along which no other node is encountered more than once. The path must be in the **same direction** of branches.
  - **Loop Gain** → Product of the **branch gains** (transmittances) of a loop.
  - **Non-touching Loops** → Loops with no common node.

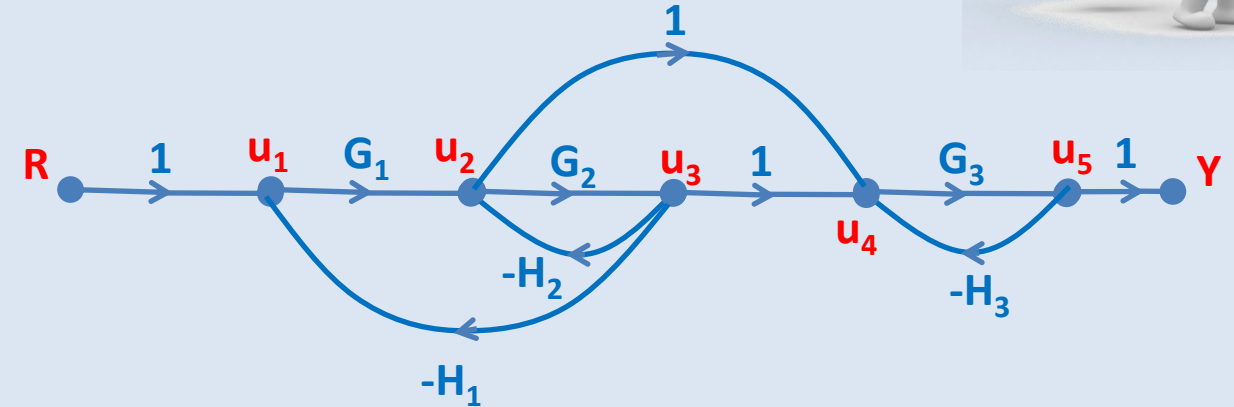


- Loop gains:  $-G_2H_1$  ,  $-G_5H_2$  ,  $-G_2G_3H_3$
- Non-touching loops:  $(-G_2H_1$  and  $-G_5H_2)$  ,  $(-G_2G_3H_3$  and  $-G_5H_2)$

# Quick Review

1) Given the SFG determine the following terms:

- Input Node:
- Output Node:
- Number of Forward Paths:
- Forward Path Gains:
- Number of Loops:
- Loop Gains:
- Non-touching Loops:



# Mason's Gain Formula

- **Mason's Gain Formula** is a systematic method based on SFG to determine the overall transfer function or gain between input node and output node without applying the block diagram reduction techniques.

$$M = \frac{Y_{out}}{Y_{in}} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

$M$  : Transfer function or Gain

$Y_{in}$  : Input node variable/signal

$Y_{out}$  : Output node variable/signal

$N$  : Total number of forward paths between  $Y_{in}$  and  $Y_{out}$

$M_k$  : Gain of the  $k$ th forward path between  $Y_{in}$  and  $Y_{out}$

$\Delta$  : Determinant of SFG

$\Delta_k$  : Cofactor of path  $M_k$

**$\Delta$  and  $\Delta_k$  are determined as below:**

$\Delta = 1 -$  (sum of all loop gains)

+ (sum of products of all combinations of two non-touching loops)

- (sum of products of all combinations of three non-touching loops)

+ (sum of products of all combinations of four non-touching loops)

- .....

$\Delta_k$  = the  $\Delta$  of the SFG non-touching with the forward path  $M_k$  when  $M_k$  has been removed

# Mason's Gain Formula

## □ Steps to Calculate Mason's Gain Formula

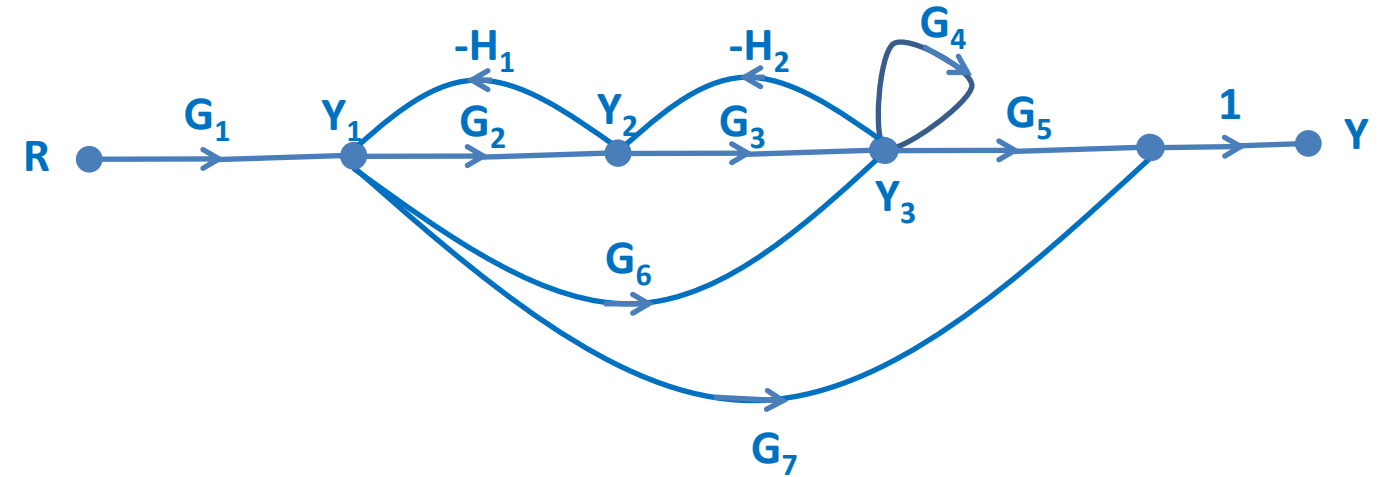
$$M = \frac{Y_{out}}{Y_{in}} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

- 1) Determine **input node** and **output node** of the SFG  $\rightarrow Y_{in}$  and  $Y_{out}$
- 2) Calculate all **forward path gains** from the input node to output node  $\rightarrow M_k$  and  $N$
- 3) Calculate all **loop gains** of the SFG (if any)  $\rightarrow L_i$
- 4) Calculate all **non-touching loops** of the SFG (if any)  $\rightarrow L_{ij}$
- 5) Calculate **determinant** of the SFG  $\rightarrow \Delta$
- 6) Calculate **cofactors** of path  $M_k \rightarrow \Delta_k$

# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG



$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

$R$  : Input node

$Y$  : Output node

$N$  : Total number of forward paths between  $R$  and  $Y$

$M_k$  : Gain of the  $k$ th forward path between  $R$  and  $Y$

$\Delta$  : Determinant of SFG

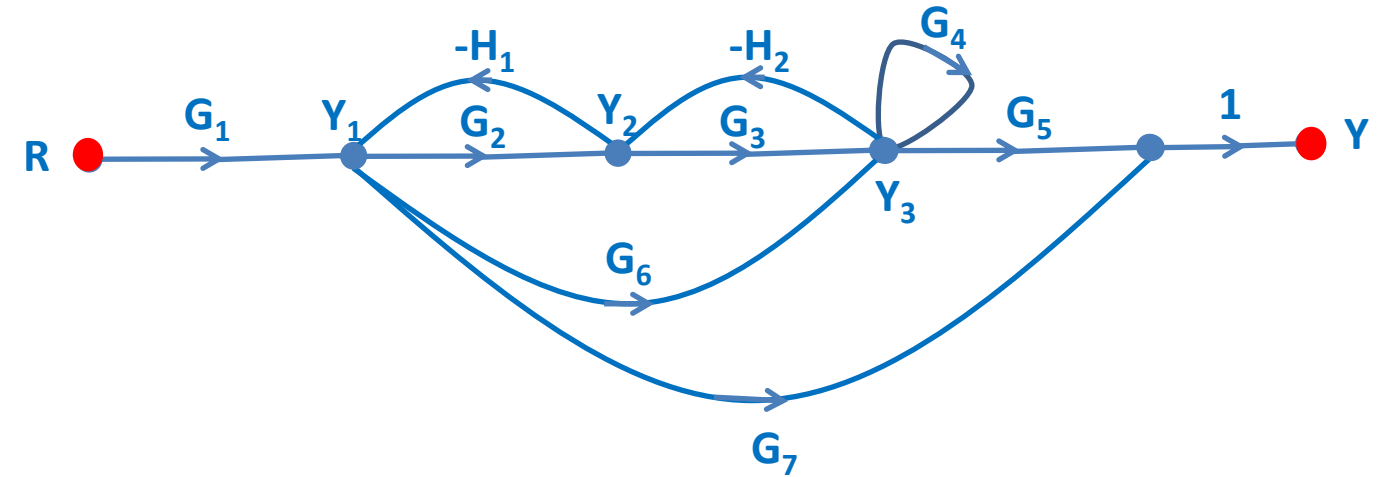
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# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$



**Step 1:** Determine the input node and output node

$R$  : Input node

$Y$  : Output node

**Step 2:** Calculate all forward path gains between  $R$  and  $Y$

$N$  : Total number of forward paths between  $R$  and  $Y$

$M_k$  : Gain of the  $k$ th forward path between  $R$  and  $Y$



# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG

**Step 2:** Calculate all forward path gains between  $R$  and  $Y$

There are three forward paths, so  $N = 3$

$$M_1 = G_1 G_2 G_3 G_5$$

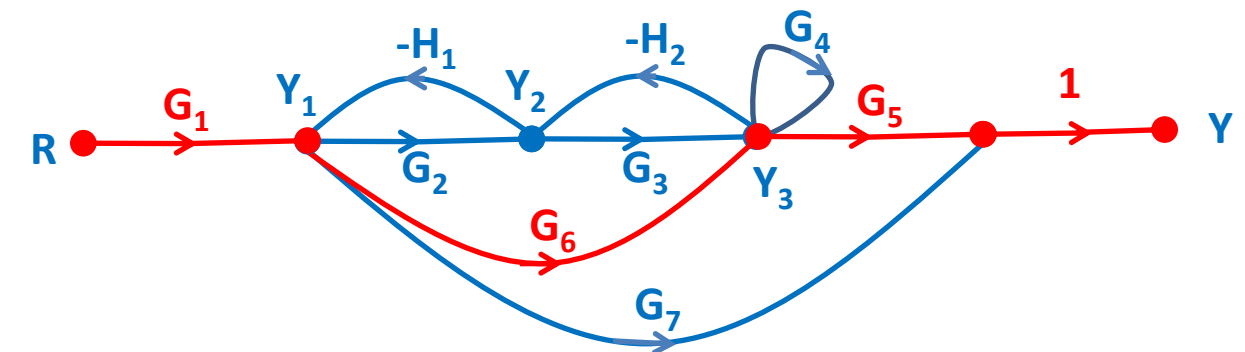
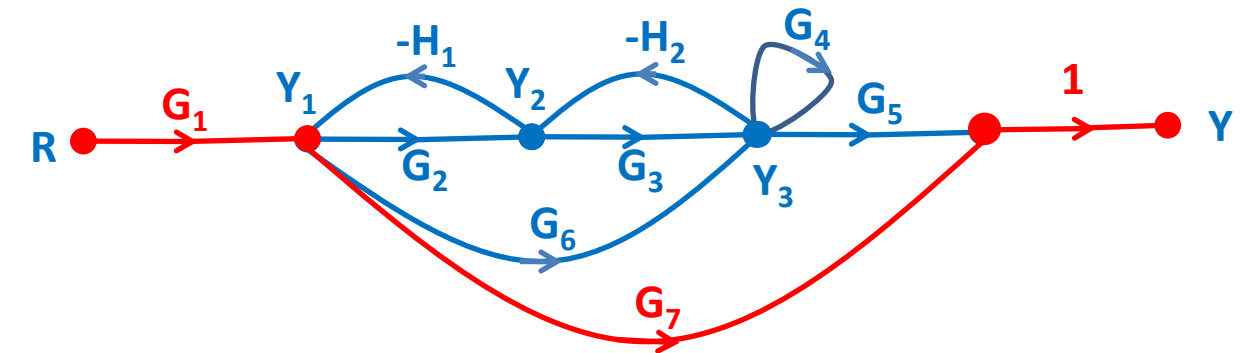
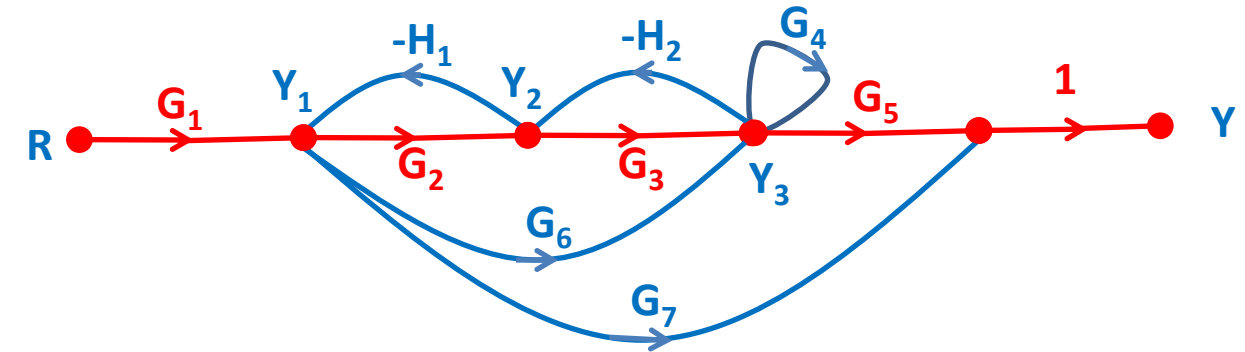
$$M_2 = G_1 G_7$$

$$M_3 = G_1 G_6 G_5$$

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^3 M_k \Delta_k$$



$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{M_1 \Delta_1 + M_2 \Delta_2 + M_3 \Delta_3}{\Delta}$$

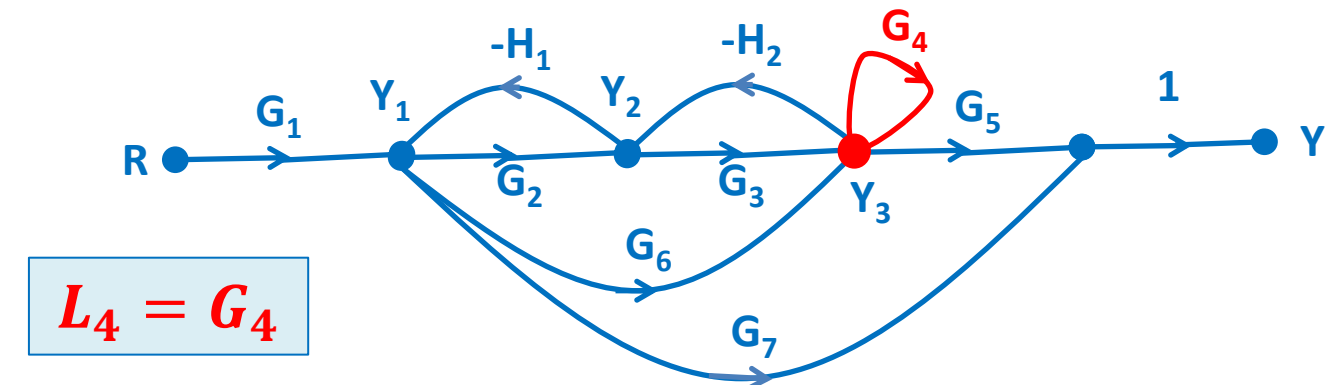
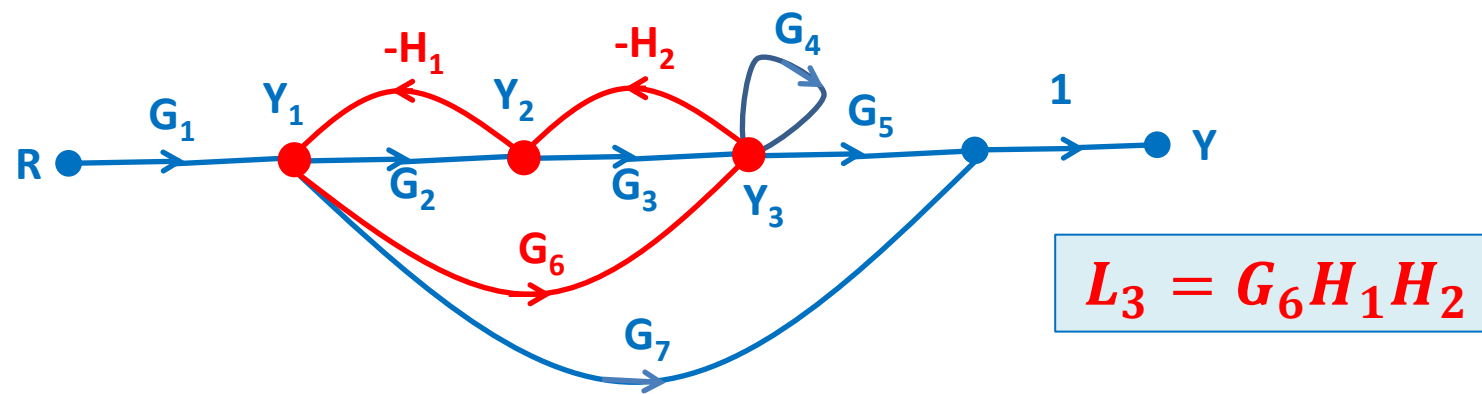
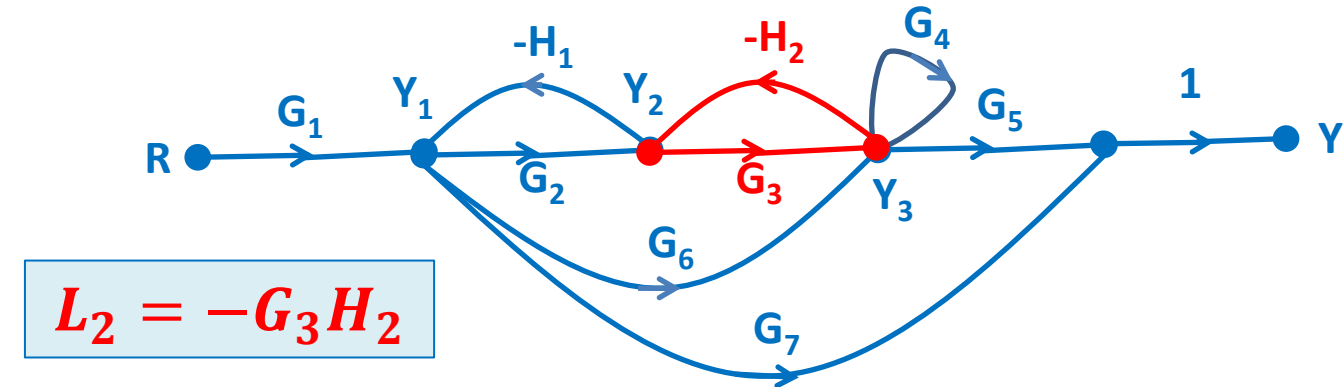
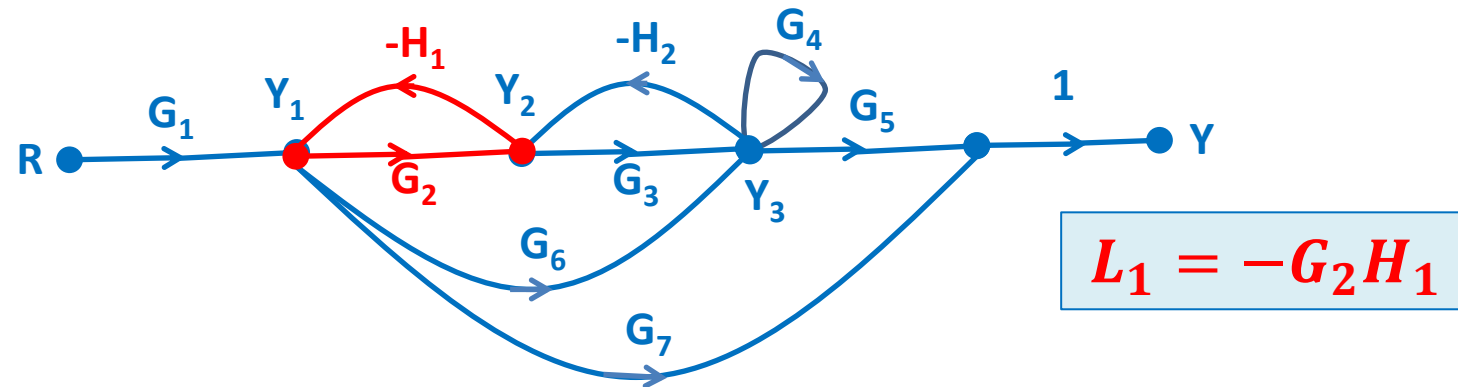


# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG

**Step 3:** Calculate all loop gains



**Step 4:** Determine the non-touching loops

Non-touching loops

$$L_1 = -G_2H_1 \quad L_4 = G_4$$

# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG

**Step 5:** Calculate determinant of the SFG  $\rightarrow \Delta$

$$\Delta = 1 - (\text{sum of all loop gains})$$

+ (sum of products of all combinations of two non-touching loops)

- (sum of products of all combinations of three non-touching loops)

+ (sum of products of all combinations of four non-touching loops)

- .....

All loop gains

$$L_1 = -G_2H_1$$

$$L_3 = G_6H_1H_2$$

$$L_2 = -G_3H_2$$

$$L_4 = G_4$$

Non-touching loops

$$L_1 = -G_2H_1$$

$$L_4 = G_4$$

$$\Delta = 1 - (L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + L_4) + (L_1L_4)$$

$$\Delta = 1 - (-G_2H_1 - G_3H_2 + G_6H_1H_2 + G_4) + (-G_4G_2H_1)$$

# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

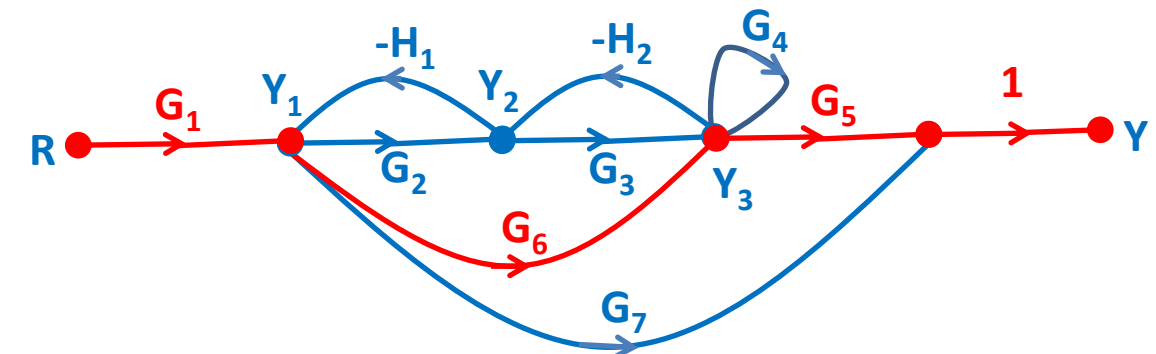
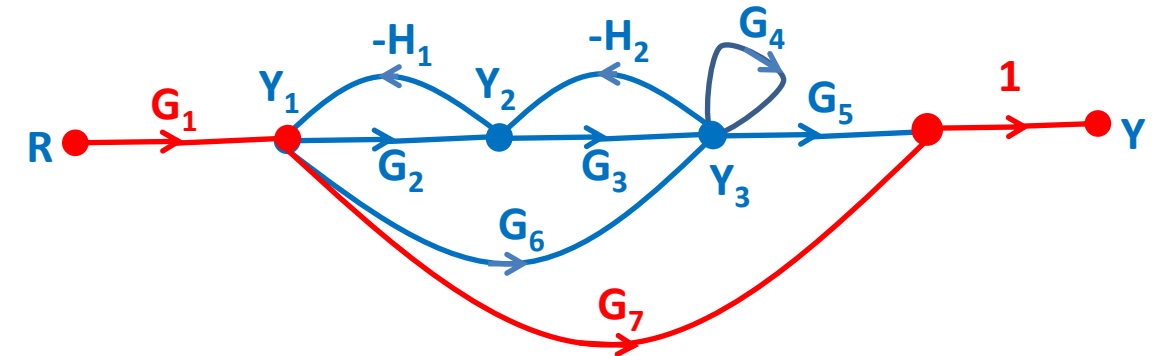
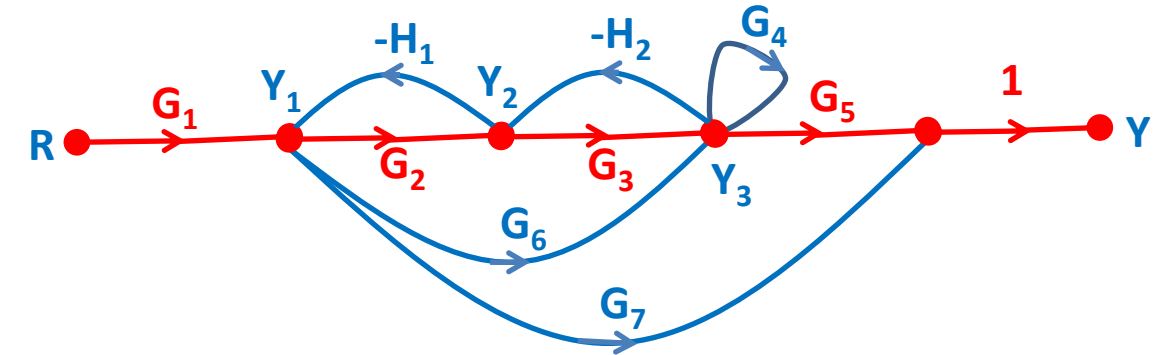
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# Mason's Gain Formula

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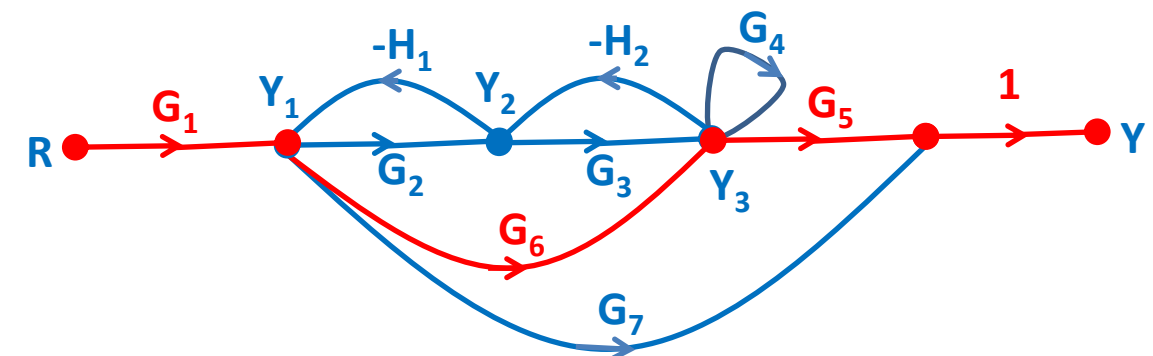
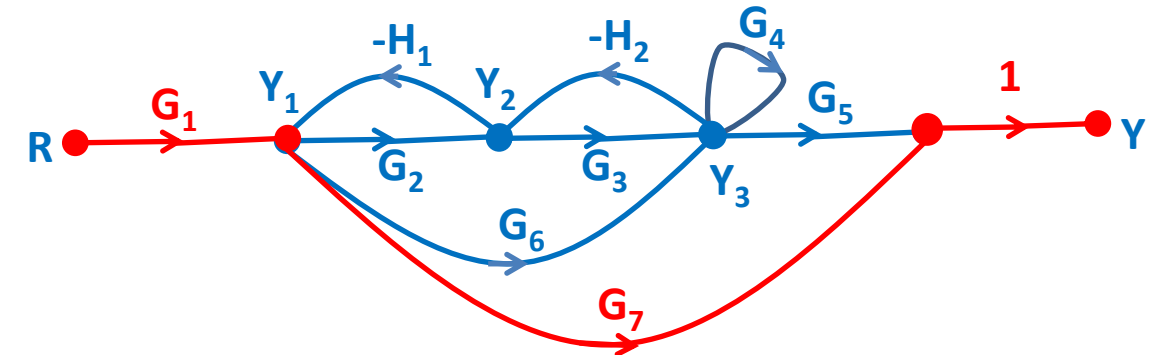
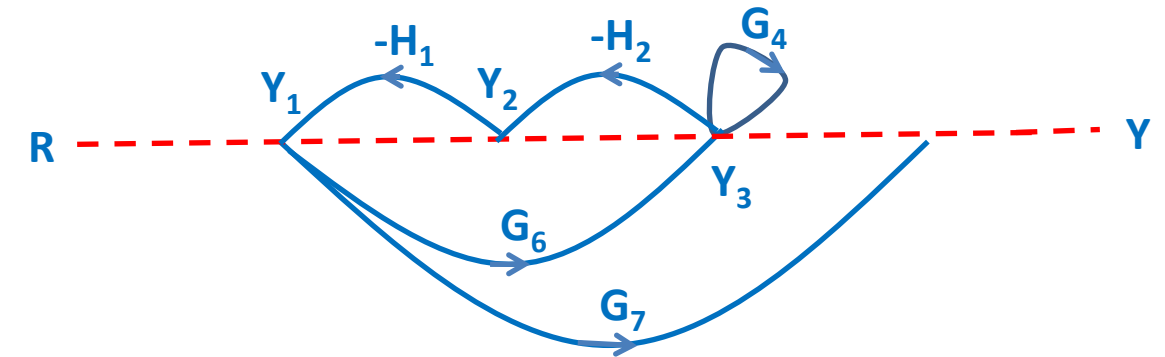
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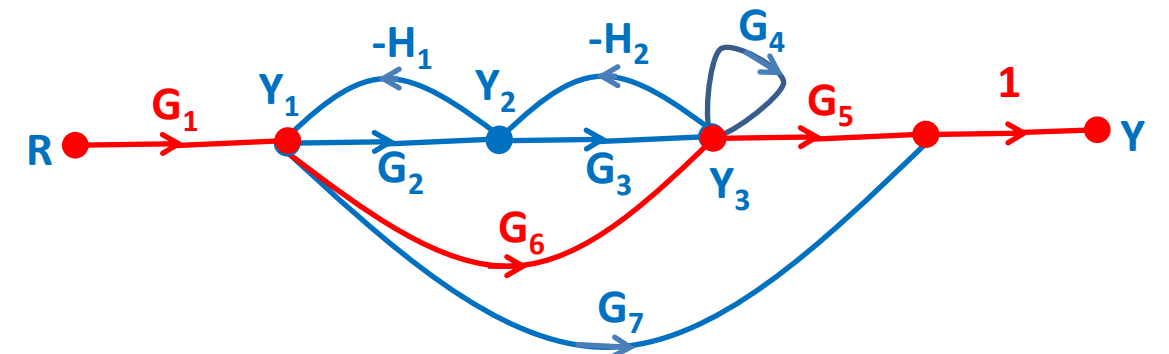
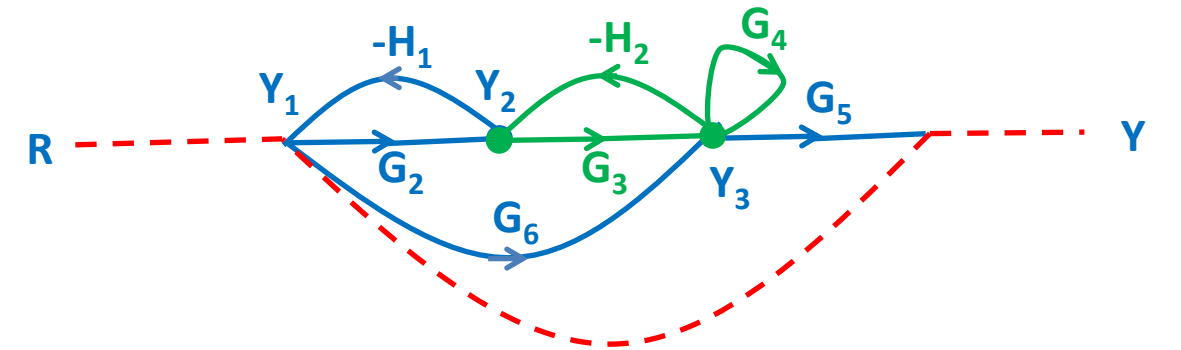
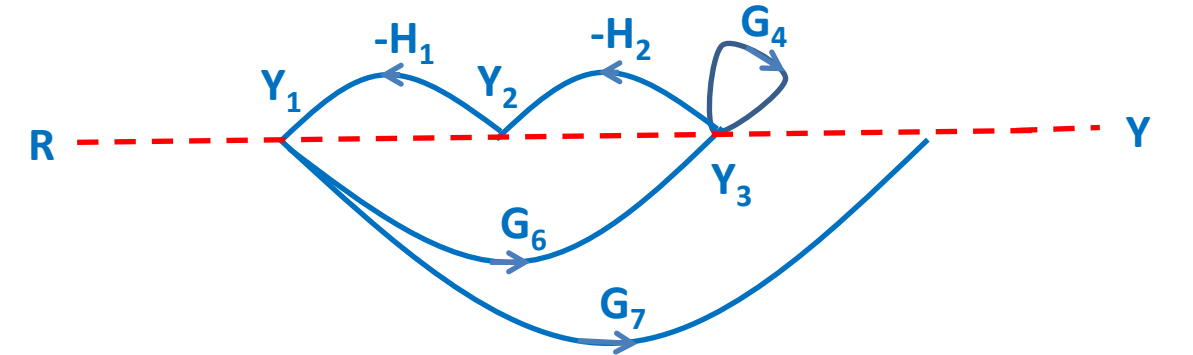
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$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{M_1 \Delta_1 + M_2 \Delta_2 + M_3 \Delta_3}{\Delta}$$



# Mason's Gain Formula

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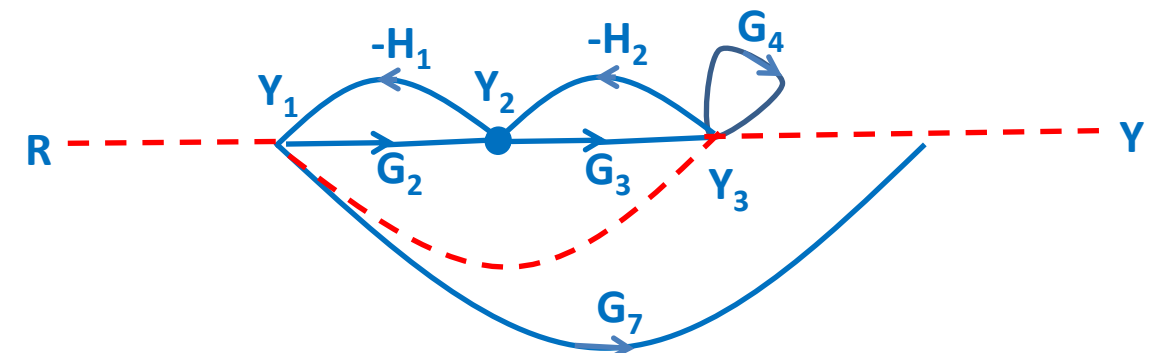
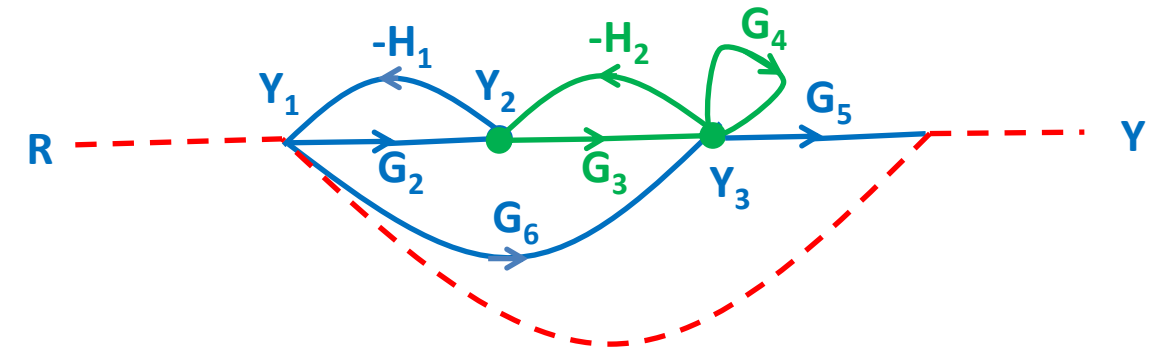
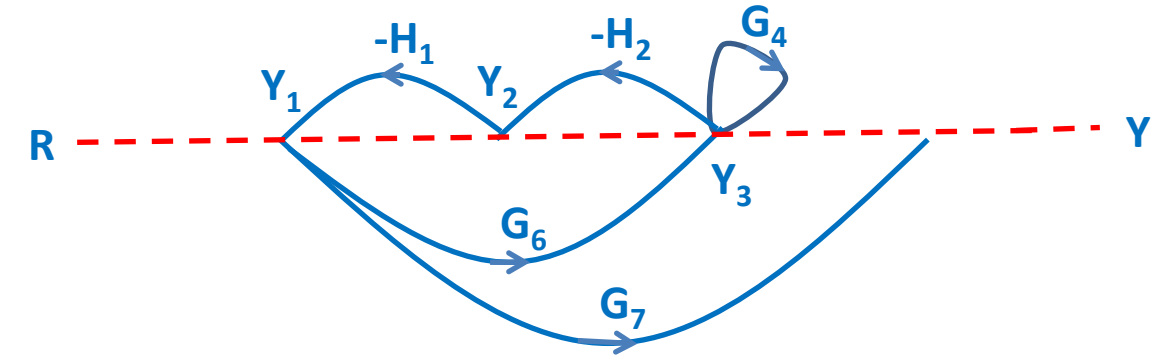
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# Mason's Gain Formula

## Example 5

Find the system transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG

**Step 7:** Calculate the overall transfer function

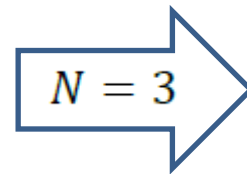
$$\begin{aligned} M_1 &= G_1 G_2 G_3 G_5 \\ M_2 &= G_1 G_7 \\ M_3 &= G_1 G_6 G_5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &= -G_2 H_1 \\ L_2 &= -G_3 H_2 \\ L_3 &= G_6 H_1 H_2 \\ L_4 &= G_4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1 &= 1 \\ \Delta_2 &= 1 + G_3 H_2 - G_4 \\ \Delta_3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta = 1 - (L_1 + L_2 + L_3 + L_4) + (L_1 L_4)$$

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$



$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^3 M_k \Delta_k = \frac{M_1 \Delta_1 + M_2 \Delta_2 + M_3 \Delta_3}{\Delta}$$

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{G_1 G_2 G_3 G_5 + G_1 G_7 (1 + G_3 H_2 - G_4) + G_1 G_6 G_5}{1 - (-G_1 H_1 - G_3 H_2 + G_6 H_1 H_2 + G_4) + (-G_4 G_2 H_1)}$$



# Quick Review

Determine the transfer function from  $Y$  to  $R$  for the following SFG.

**Step 1:** Determine the input node and output node

**Step 2:** Calculate all forward path gains between  $R$  and  $Y$

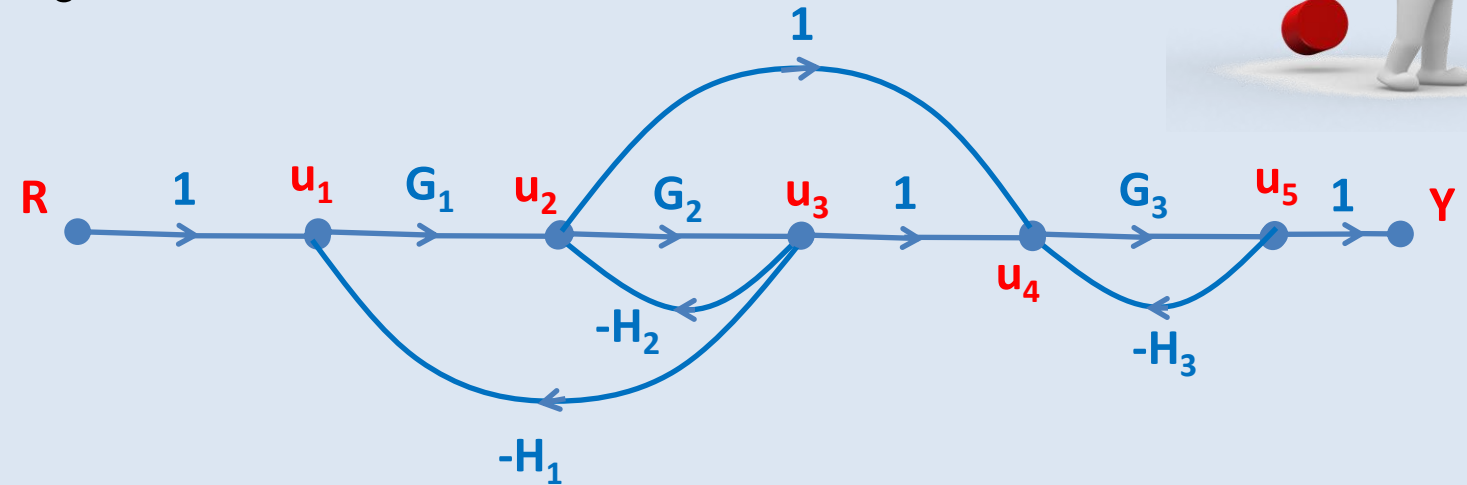
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**Step 5:** Calculate determinant of the SFG

**Step 6:** Calculate the cofactors of each forward path

**Step 7:** Calculate the overall transfer function



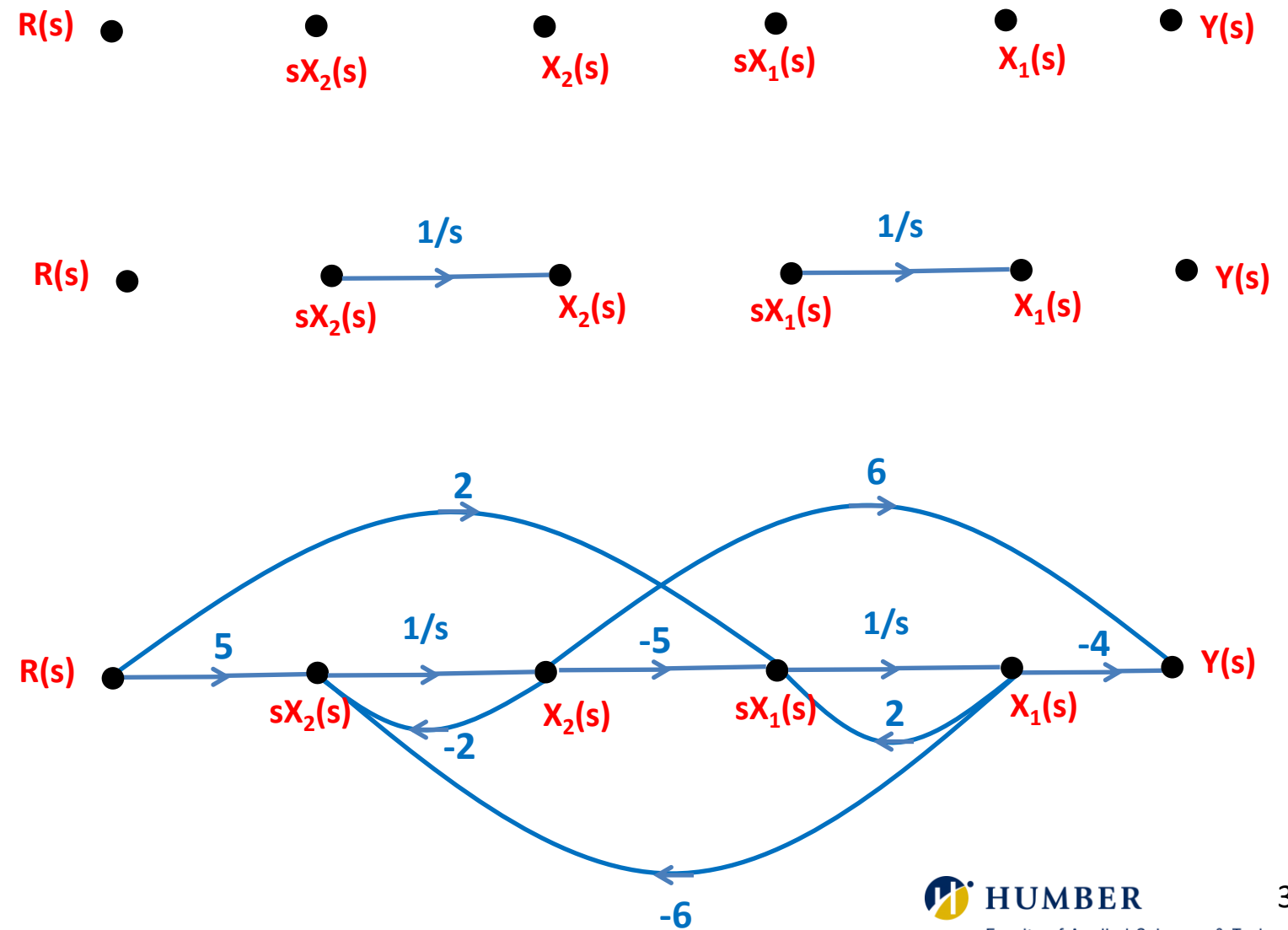
$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

- **State Diagram**, is an extension of the SFG to portray state equations and differential equations.
- A **state diagram** is constructed following all the rules of the SFG using the **Laplace-transformed state equations**.
- The basic elements of a state diagram are similar to the conventional SFG, except for the integration operation.
- Consider the following state and output equations:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = 2x_1 - 5x_2 + 2r \\ \dot{x}_2 = -6x_1 - 2x_2 + 5r \\ y = -4x_1 + 6x_2 \end{cases}$$

- 1) First identify the following nodes:
  - Input node and output node,
  - One node for each state variable
  - One node for derivative of state variables
- 2) Next connect the state variables and their derivatives with the defining **integration**  $1/s$ .
- 3) Then using the state and output equations, feed to each node the indicated signals.



# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

## Example 6

Draw a signal-flow graph for the following state and output equations.

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -6 & -16 & -8 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = [6 \quad 8 \quad 2] \mathbf{x}(t)$$

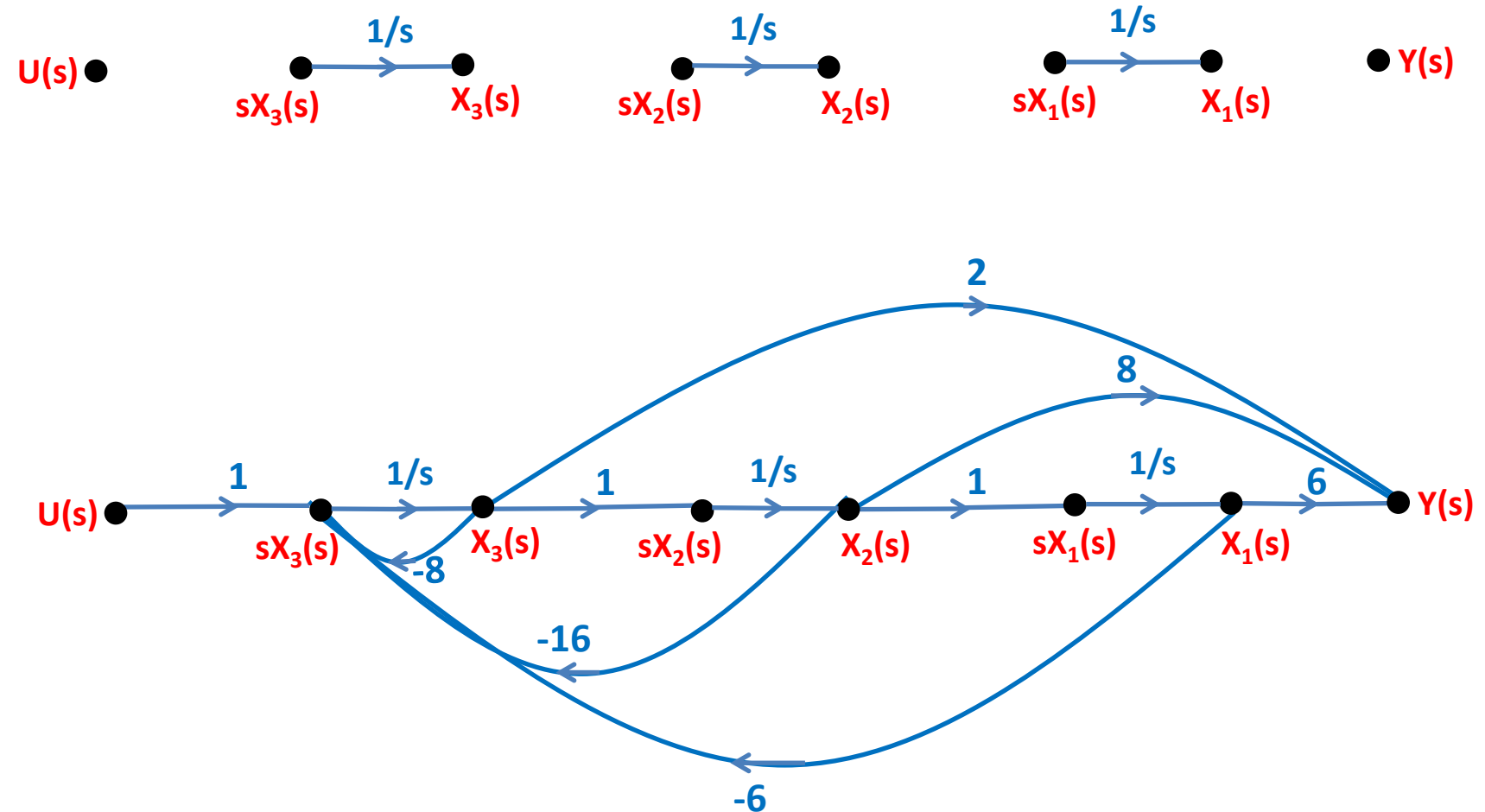
First rewrite the state and output equations.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 = -6x_1 - 16x_2 - 8x_3 + u \\ y = 6x_1 + 8x_2 + 2x_3 \end{cases}$$

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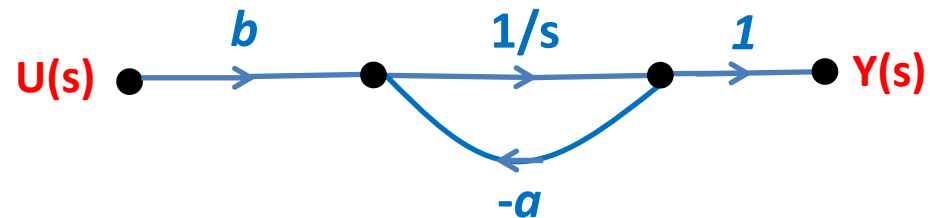


# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

- SFG and the state-space representation can be derived directly from the [transfer function](#) model, which is helpful to find SFG of simple control system block diagrams.

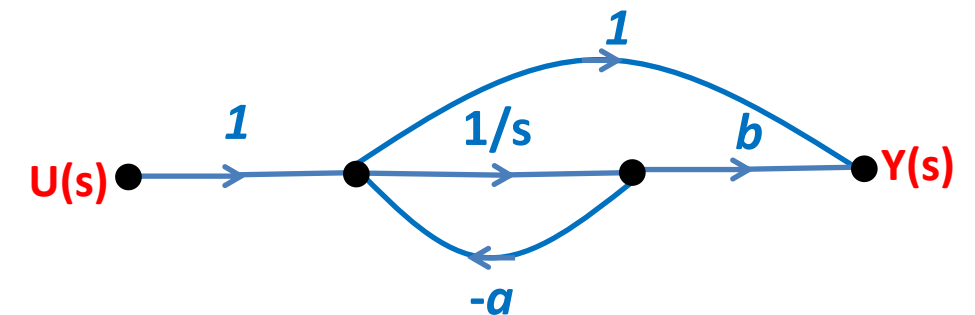
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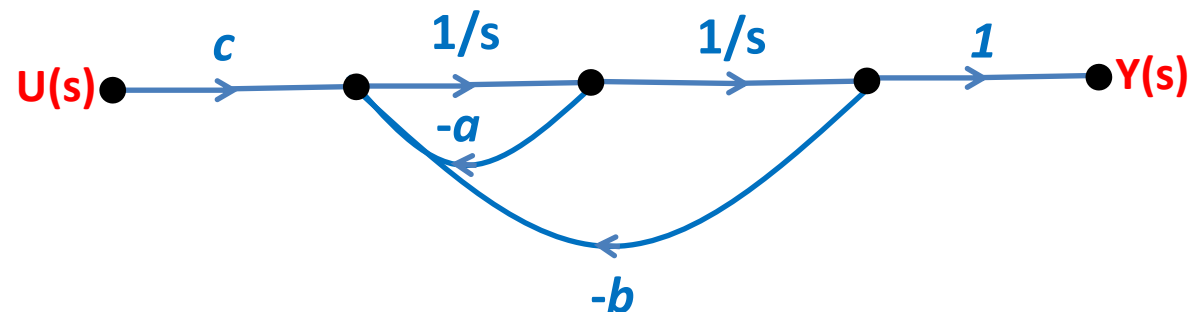
## □ First-order Transfer Function with a single Zero:

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s + b}{s + a}$$



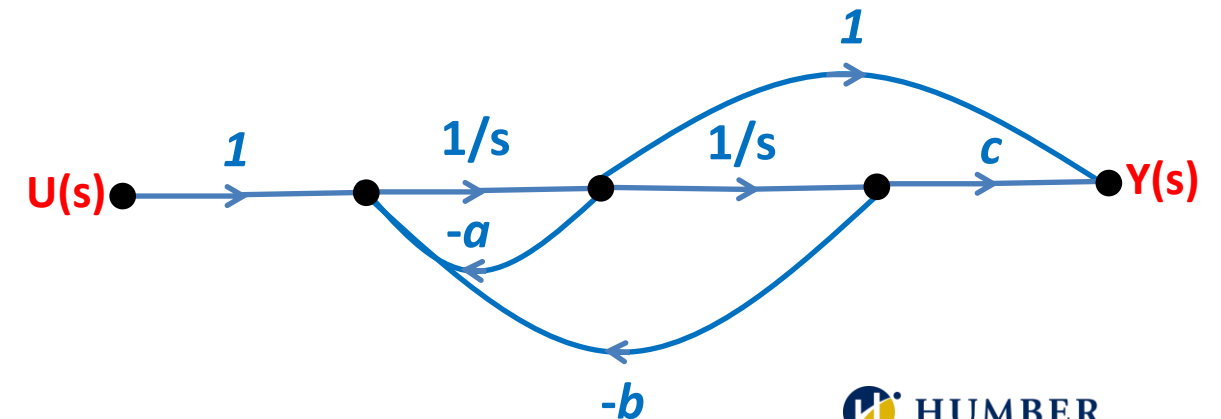
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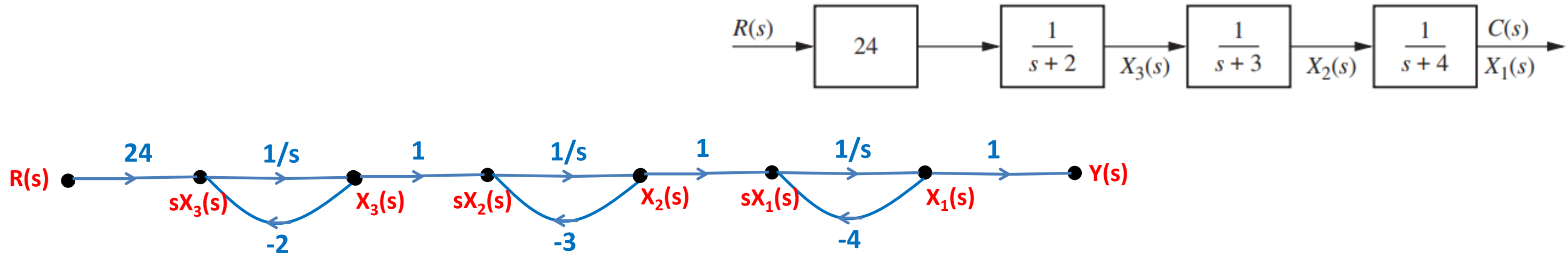
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# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

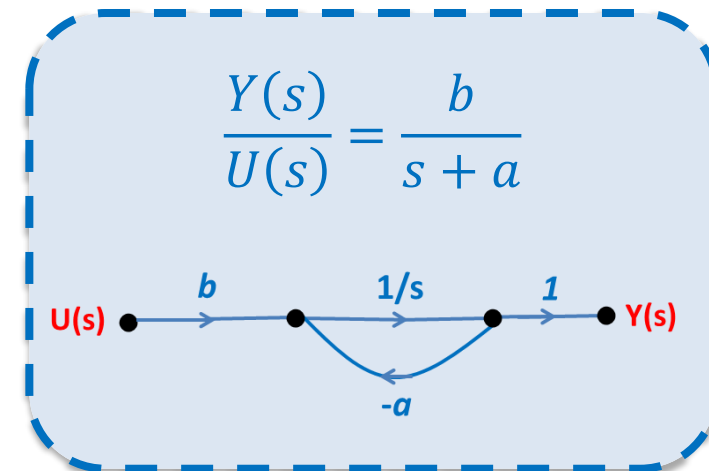
## Example 7

Draw a signal-flow graph for the following cascade system. Given the state variables as  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  derive a state-space representation from the SFG.



Defining the state variables as  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ .

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -4x_1 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -3x_2 + x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 = -2x_3 + 24r \\ y = x_1 \end{cases} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) &= [1 \quad 0 \quad 0] \mathbf{x}(t) \end{aligned}$$



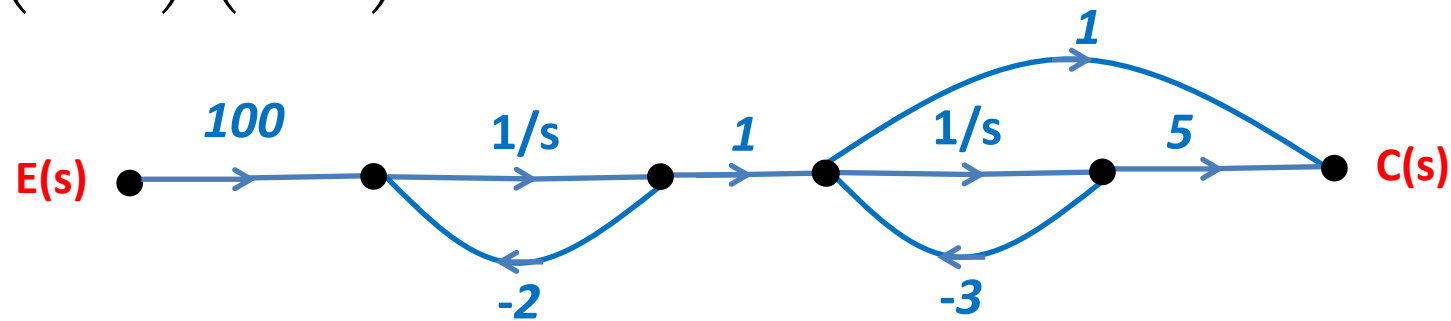
# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

## Example 8

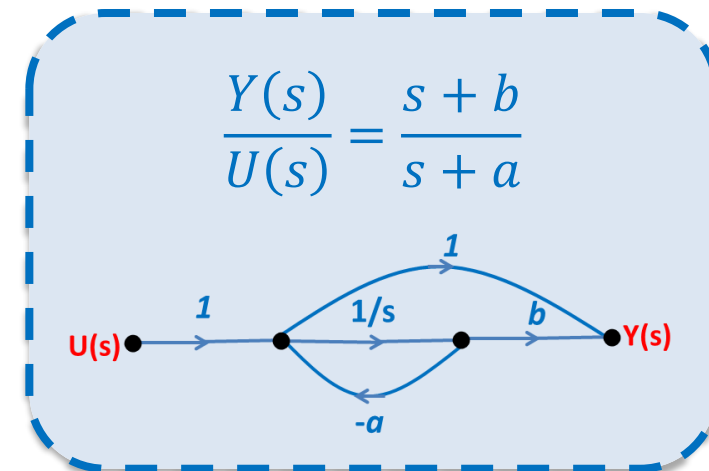
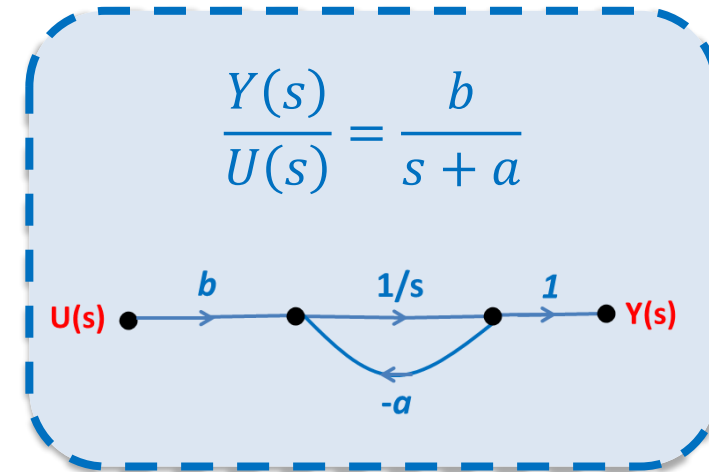
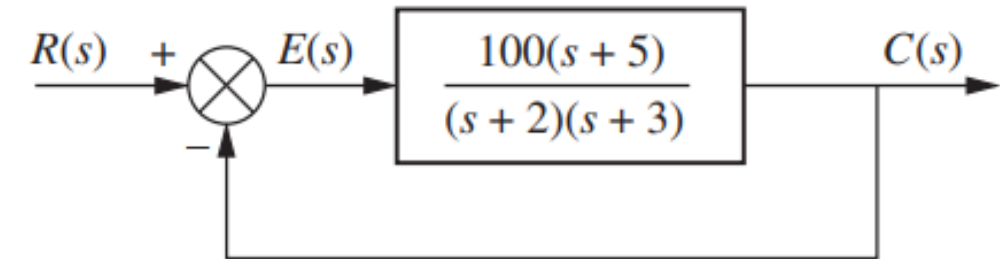
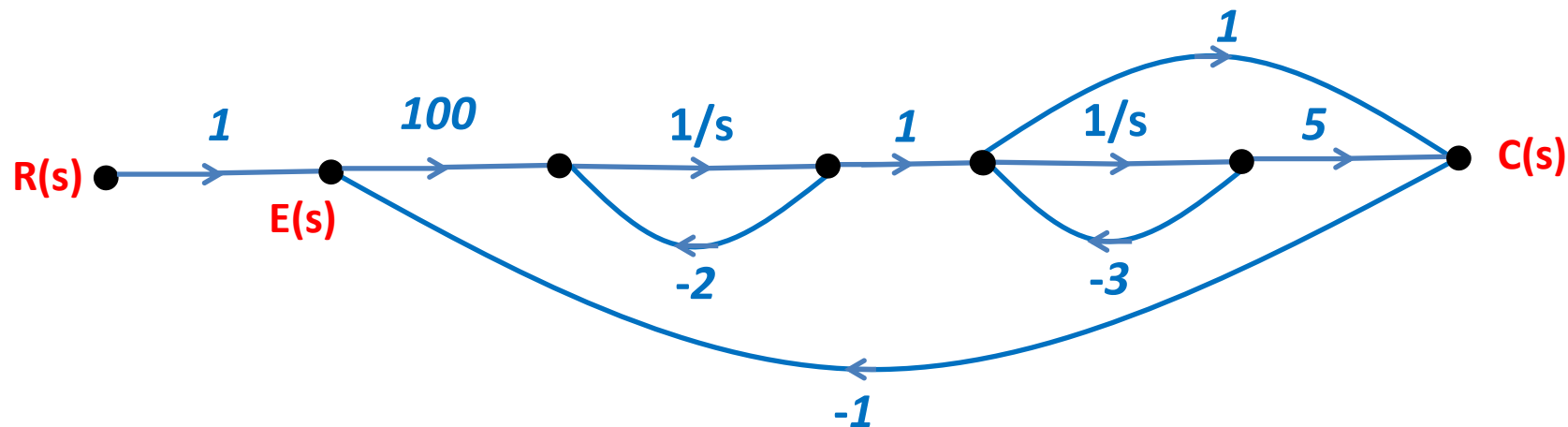
Draw a signal-flow graph for the following feedback control system.  
Define appropriate state variables and derive a state-space model.

First, model the forward path transfer function in cascade form.

$$\frac{C(s)}{E(s)} = \left( \frac{100}{s+2} \right) \left( \frac{s+5}{s+3} \right)$$



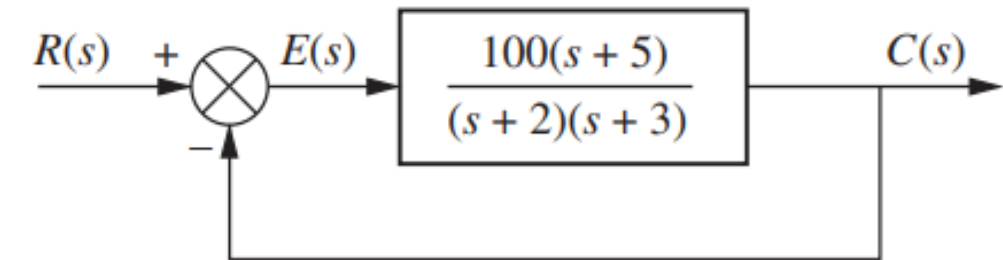
Next add the feedback and input paths to complete the SFG.



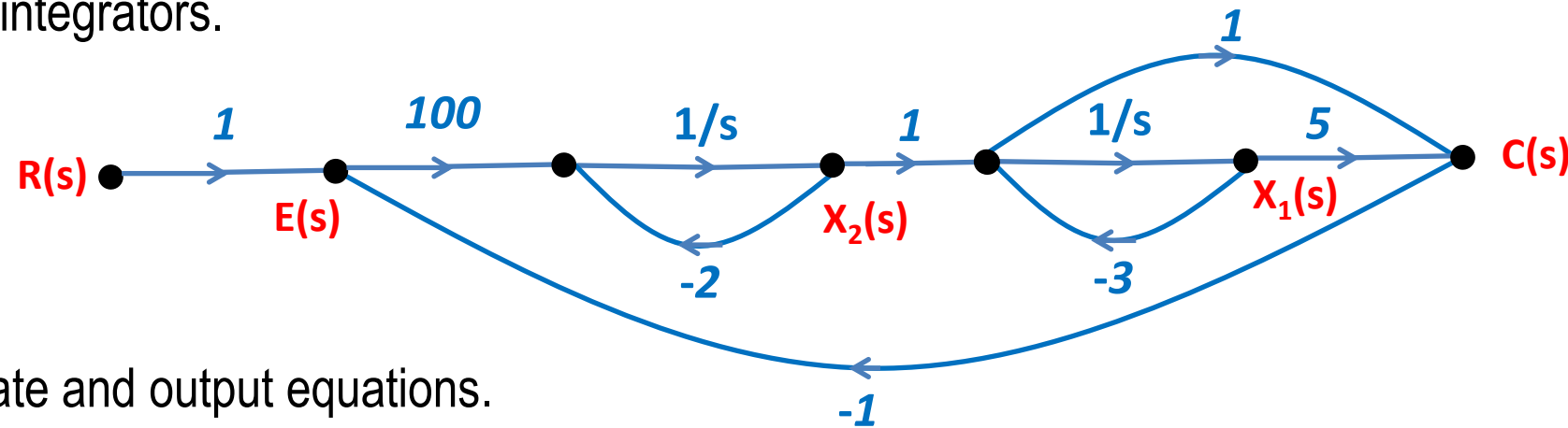
# Signal-Flow Graphs & State-Space Equations

## Example 8

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Define appropriate state variables and derive a state-space model.



To find the state-space model from SFG, first, define the state variables as the output node of the integrators.



Next, derive the state and output equations.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -3x_1 + x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -2x_2 + 100(r - c) \rightarrow \dot{x}_2 = -2x_2 + 100(r - 2x_1 - x_2) = -200x_1 - 102x_2 + 100r \\ y = c \rightarrow y = 5x_1 + (x_2 - 3x_1) = 2x_1 + x_2 \end{cases}$$

State-space model in vector-matrix form.

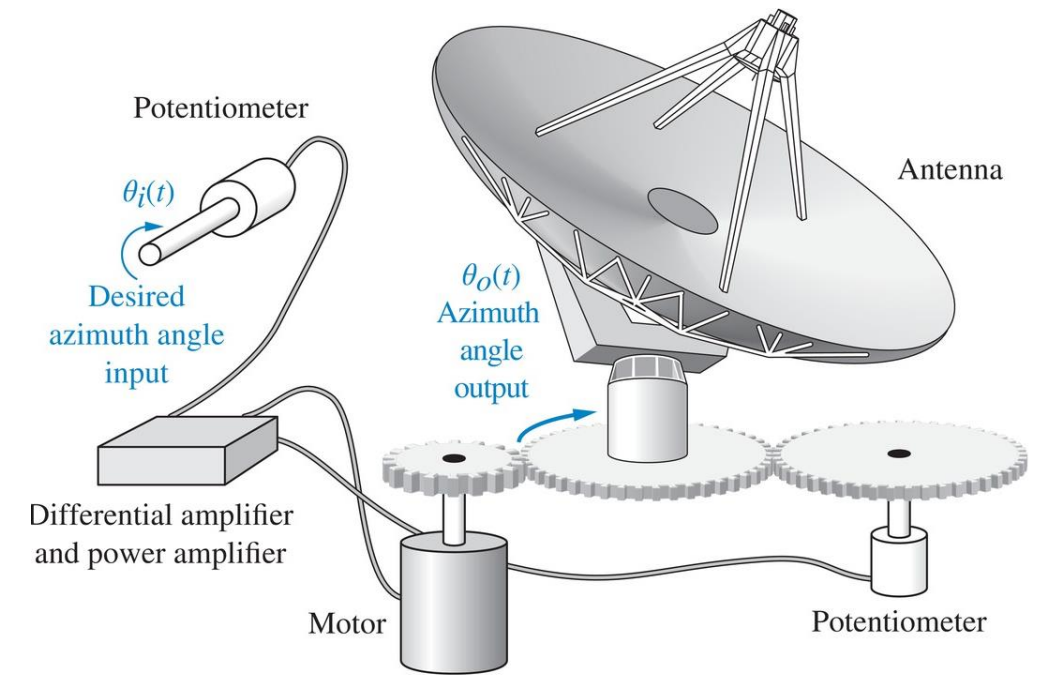
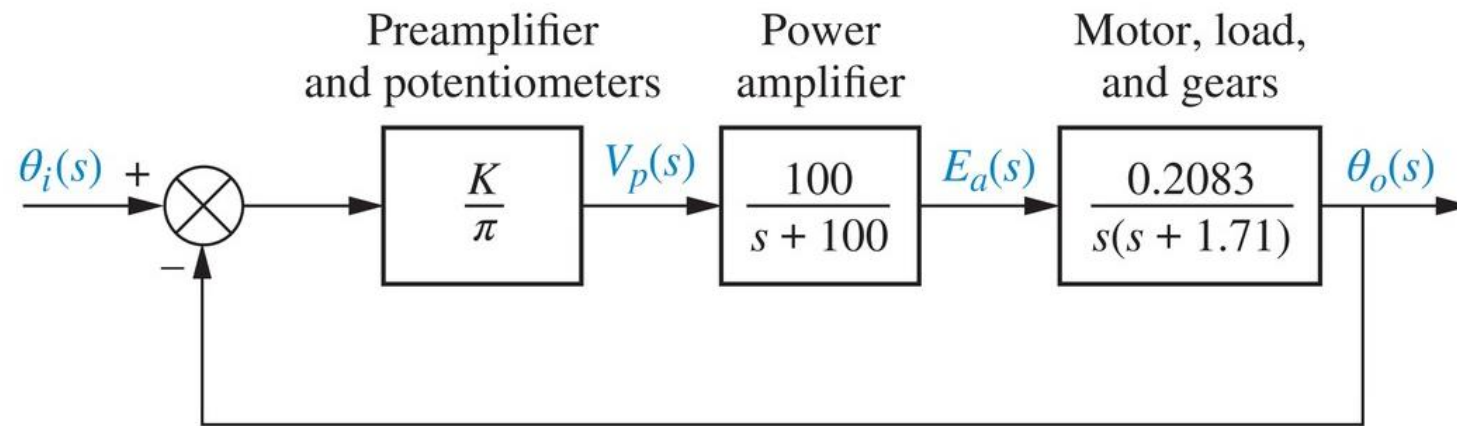
$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ -200 & -102 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix} r(t)$$

$$y(t) = [2 \quad 1] \mathbf{x}(t)$$



# Case Study: Antenna Control System

- Consider the *motor-driven antenna azimuth position control system* example from Lecture 1.
- We determined the block diagram of the control system as below:



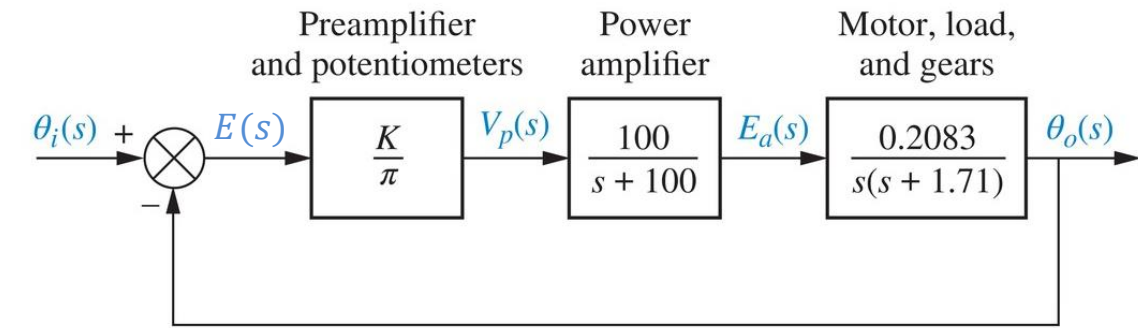
- In this part, we will represent the SFG of overall closed-loop system and find the state-space representation of the closed-loop system.
- We also evaluate the overall transfer function model by applying Mason's gain formula.



# Case Study: Antenna Control System

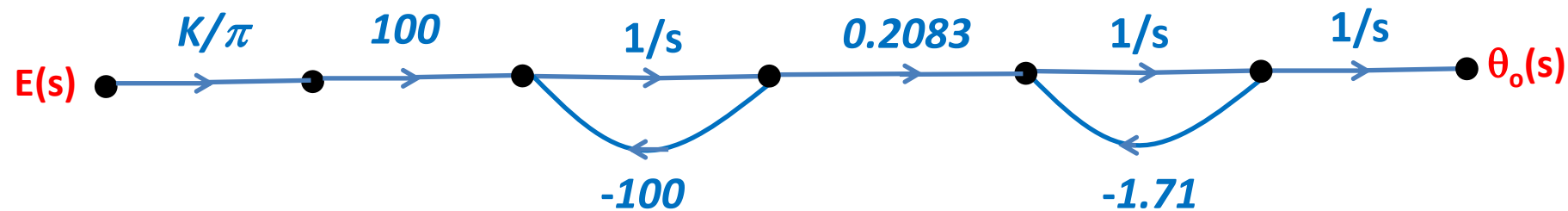
For the antenna azimuth position control system with the given simplified unity-feedback block diagram model:

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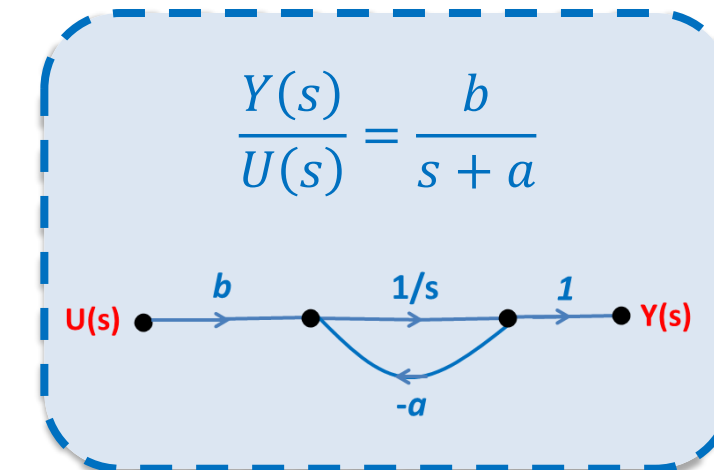
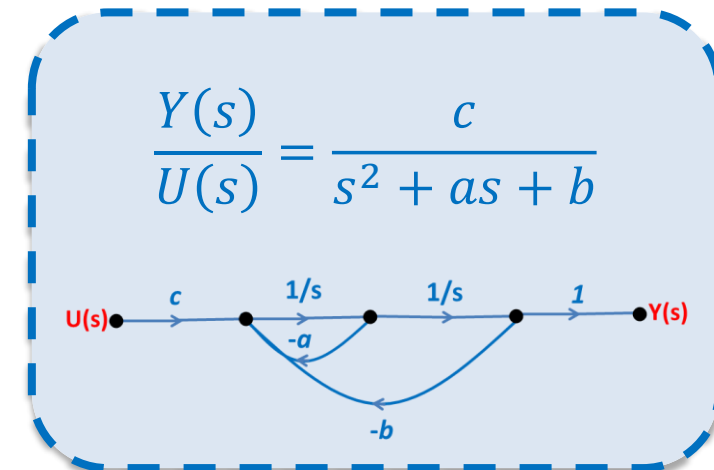
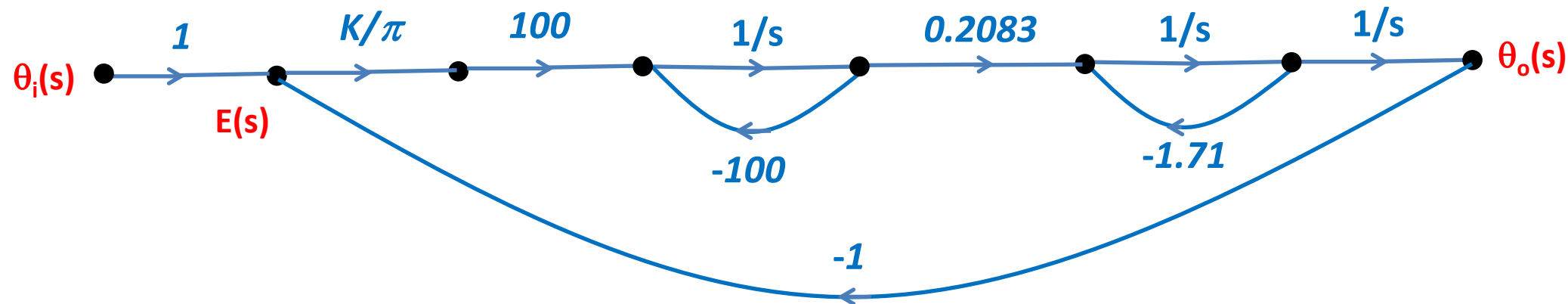


First, model the forward path transfer function in cascade form.

$$\frac{\theta_o(s)}{E(s)} = \left(\frac{K}{\pi}\right) \left(\frac{100}{s+100}\right) \left(\frac{0.2083}{s(s+1.71)}\right)$$



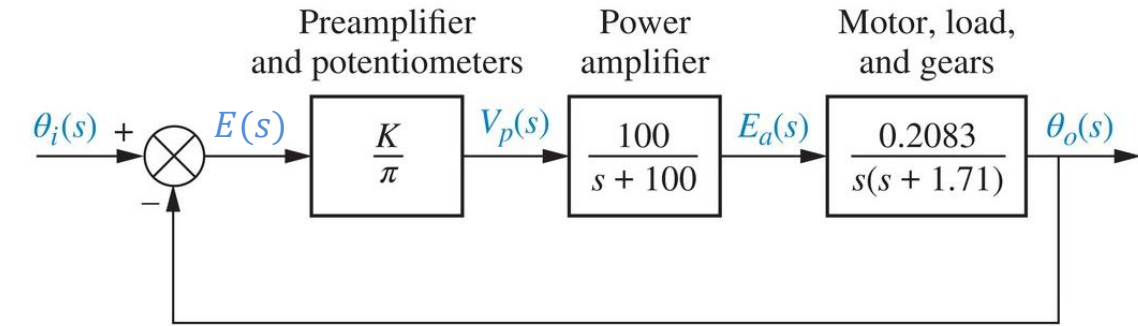
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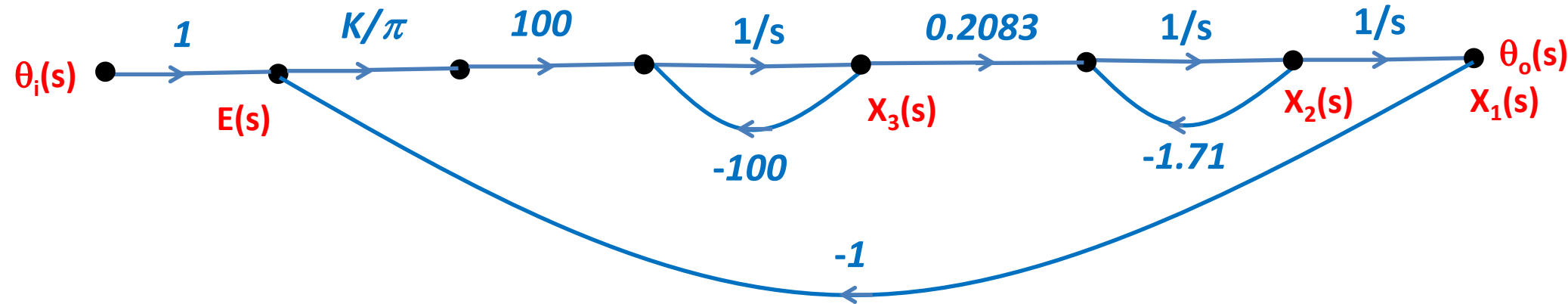
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To find the state equations, first, define the state variables as the **outputs of the integrators**, then write the state equations by inspection of the SFG.



$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -1.71x_2 + 0.2083x_3 \\ \dot{x}_3 = -100x_3 + \frac{100K}{\pi}(\theta_i - \theta_o) = -100x_3 + 31.83K\theta_i - 31.83Kx_1 \\ y = \theta_o \rightarrow y = x_1 \end{cases}$$

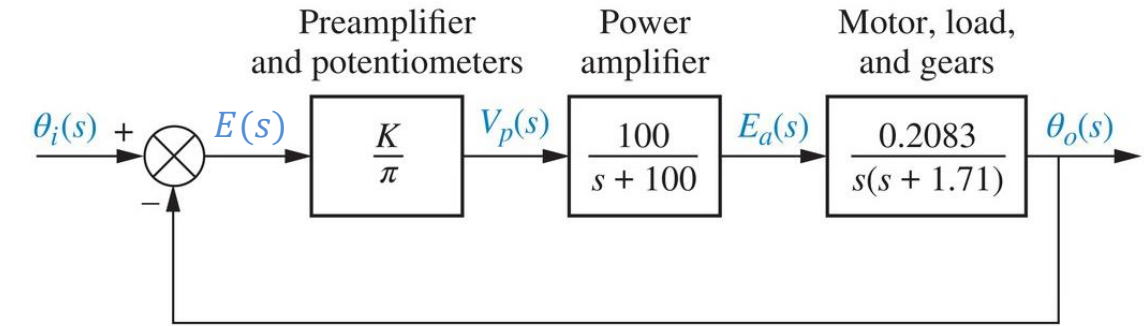
$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.71 & 0.2083 \\ -31.83K & 0 & -100 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -31.83K \end{bmatrix} \theta_i(t)$$

$$y(t) = [1 \quad 0 \quad 0] \mathbf{x}(t)$$

# Case Study: Antenna Control System

For the antenna azimuth position control system with the given simplified unity-feedback block diagram model:

b) Use the signal-flow graph found in part (a) along with Mason's gain formula to find the closed-loop transfer function.



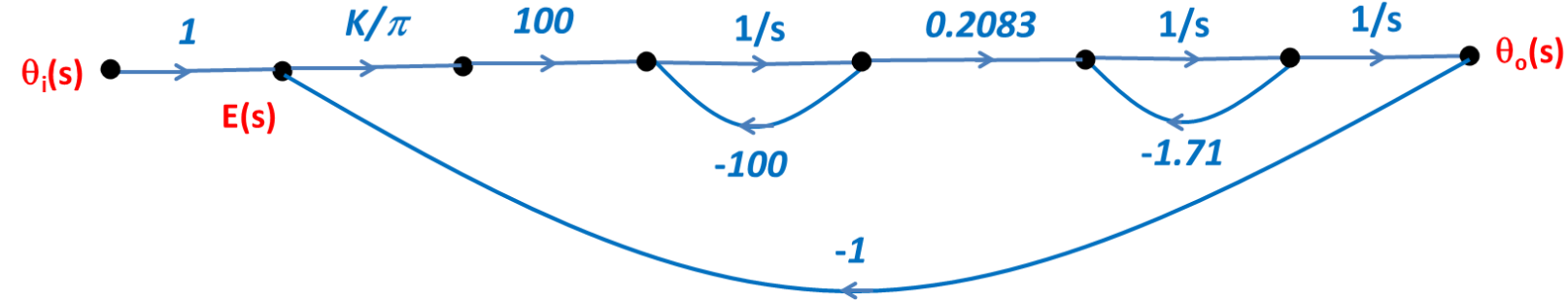
**Step 1:** Determine the input node and output node

Input Node:  $\theta_i$

Output Node:  $\theta_o$

**Step 2:** Calculate all forward path gains between input and output

$$M_1 = \left(\frac{K}{\pi}\right) (100) \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) (0.2083) \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) \left(\frac{1}{s}\right) = \frac{6.63K}{s^3}$$



**Step 3:** Calculate all loop gains

$$L_1 = -\frac{100}{s}, \quad L_2 = -\frac{1.71}{s}, \quad L_3 = -\frac{6.63K}{s^3}$$

**Step 4:** Determine the non-touching loops

$L_1$  and  $L_2$  are non-touching loops

**Step 5:** Calculate determinant of the SFG

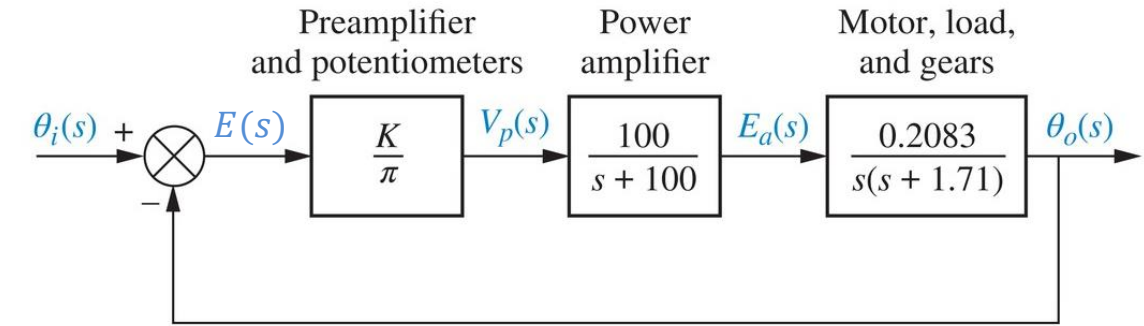
$$\Delta = 1 - (L_1 + L_2 + L_3) + (L_1 L_2) = 1 + \frac{100}{s} + \frac{1.71}{s} + \frac{6.63K}{s^3} + \frac{171}{s^2} = \frac{s^3 + 101.71s^2 + 171s + 6.63K}{s^3}$$

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

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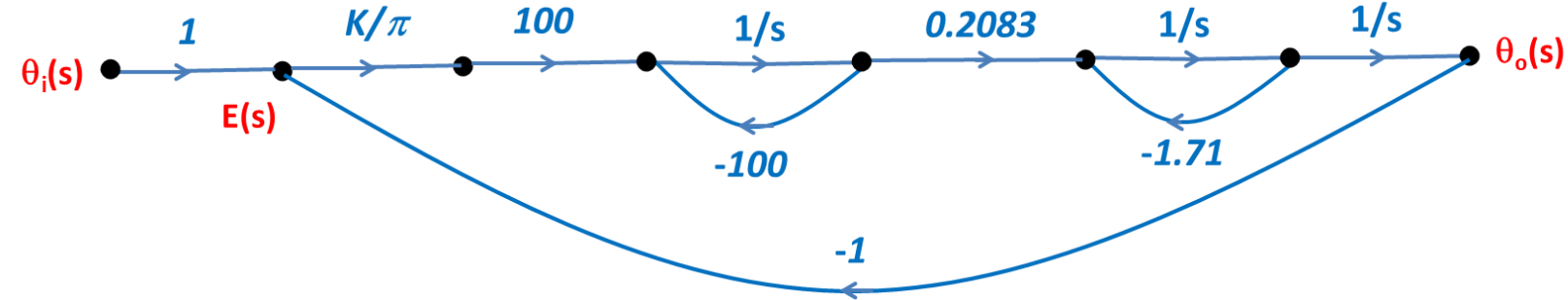
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**Step 6:** Calculate the cofactors of each forward path

$$\Delta_1 = 1$$

**Step 7:** Calculate the overall transfer function



$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{M_1 \Delta_1}{\Delta}$$

$$\frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = \frac{M_1 \Delta_1}{\Delta} = \frac{\left(\frac{6.63K}{s^3}\right)(1)}{\frac{s^3 + 101.71s^2 + 171s + 6.63K}{s^3}} = \frac{6.63K}{s^3 + 101.71s^2 + 171s + 6.63K}$$

$$\frac{Y}{R} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \sum_{k=1}^N M_k \Delta_k$$

# THANK YOU