

HUMBER ENGINEERING

MENG 3510 – Control Systems
LECTURE 1

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Introduction to Control Systems

- What is Control Systems?
- Control Systems Configurations
 - Open-loop Control vs Closed-loop Control
- Basic Elements, Terminologies and Variables
- Control Systems Design Procedure
- Properties of Feedback Control Systems
- Review of Dynamic System Modeling

Control Systems

❑ What is a Control System?

- **Control System** is a set of devices/components to manage, command, or regulate the behavior of other systems to achieve the desired results.
 - Home Heating System
 - Road Traffic System
 - Industrial Robot
 - Laptop Cooling System
 - Manufacturing Process
 - Power Plant
 - Aircraft / Spacecraft Navigation System
 - Fuel Injection System in Automobile
 - Washing Machine
 - Stock Market
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Advantages of Control Systems

❑ Why do we need control system?

✓ More Convenient

- Intelligent laundry machine
- Emissions control system, ...



✓ More Efficient

- Lower cost
- Save time, money and energy, ...



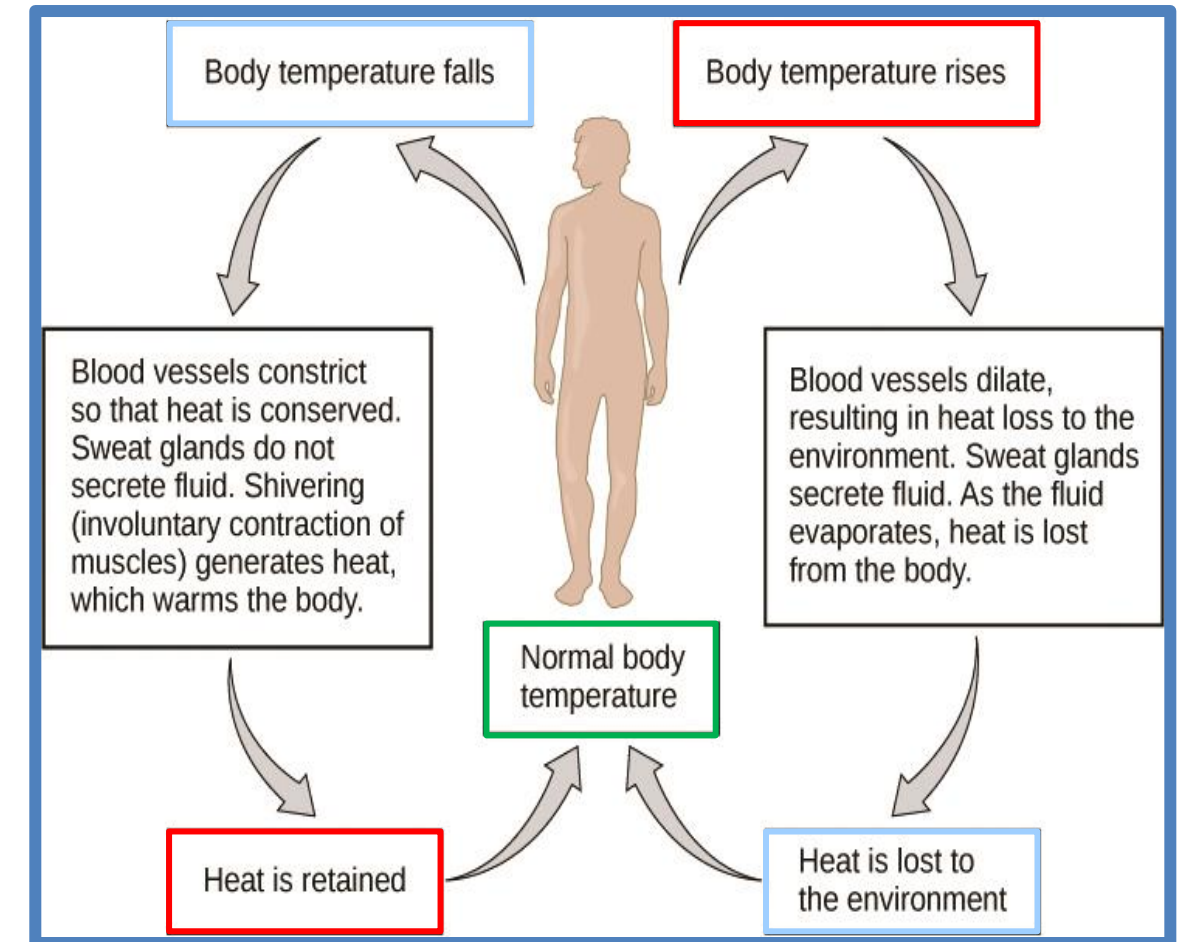
✓ Dangerous/Impossible Situations

- Working in the Space
- Hot/cold places
- Nanometer scale precision positioning, ...



✓ Exist in Nature

- Human body temperature control
- Heart rate control
- Blood insulin level control

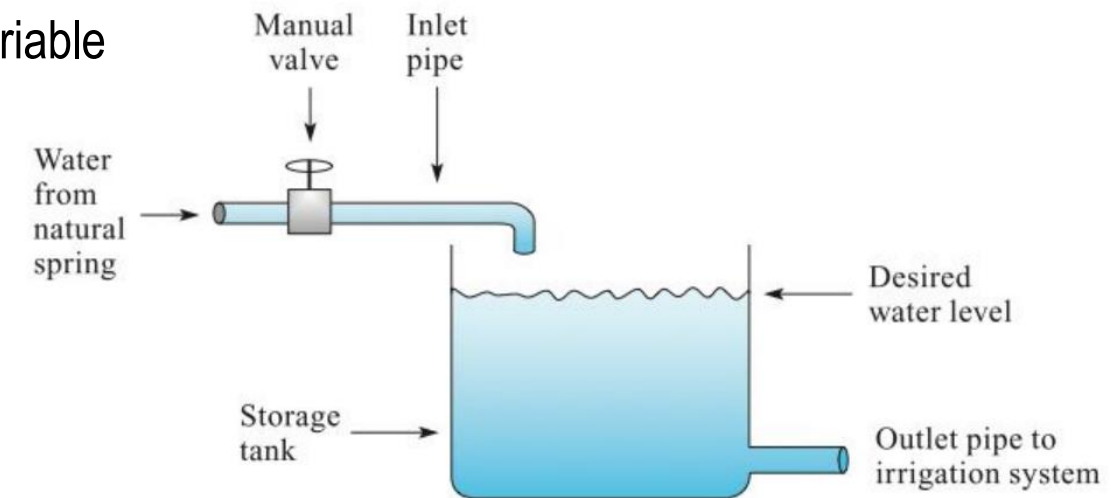


Control Systems Configuration

- Control systems are classified based on how they control the variables, either **open-loop** or **closed-loop**.

1) Open-loop Control is a control system without feedback measurement signal.

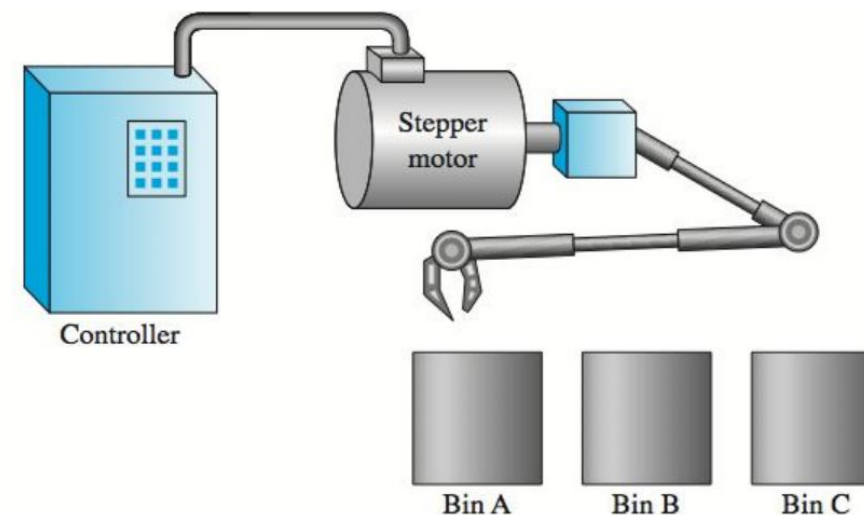
- The system is controlled only by command input
- Controller determines the control signal without any feedback from the controlled variable
- Sensitive** to disturbances and **unreliable**
- The system **cannot correct** any errors that it could make
- Required **calibration** and **accurate modeling** of the system
- Human operator** inspection may require
- Low cost** and **simple** in design and construction
- Applicable for tasks that are **predefined**, **repeatable**, **sequential**, and **not vary**



An Open-loop Reservoir System to Store Water for an Irrigation System

Example

- Firing a bullet
- Shooting a basketball
- Microwave oven
- TV remote control
- Laundry machine
- Time based toaster
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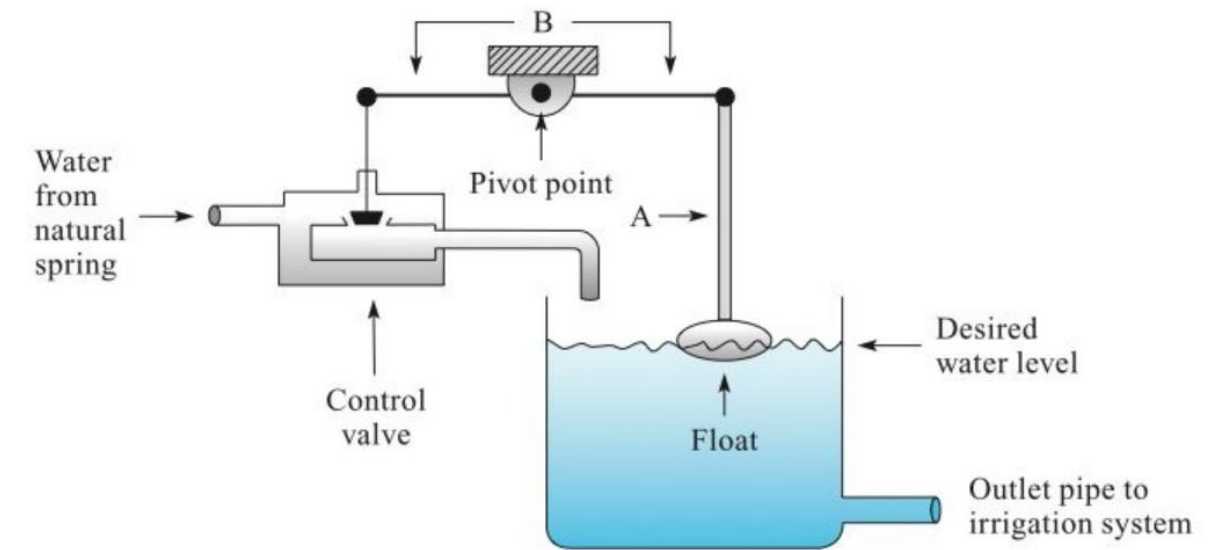
An Open-loop Pick-and-Place Application

Control Systems Configuration

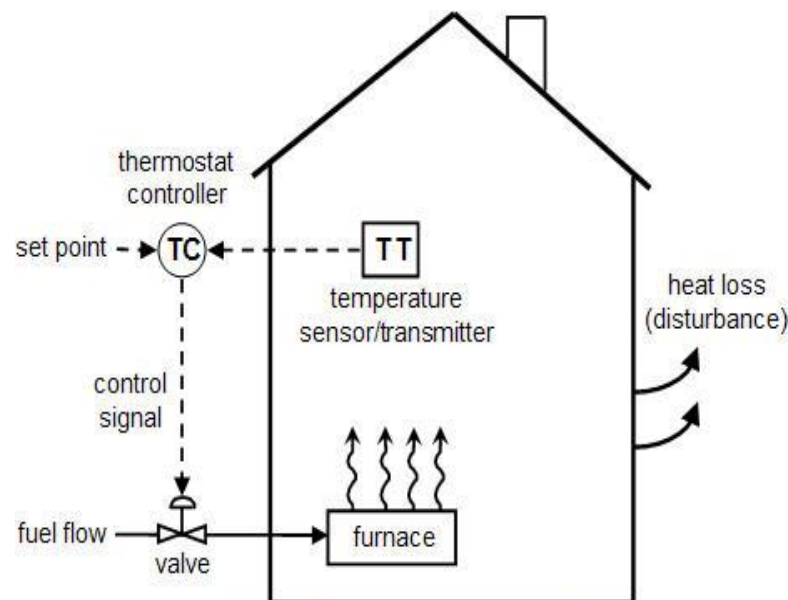
- Control systems are classified based on how they control the variables, either **open-loop** or **closed-loop**.

2) Closed-loop Control (Feedback Control) uses feedback measurements to regulate and control the system.

- Controller uses the **controlled variable** to help determine the control signal
- Compare** actual behavior with desired behavior by using **feedback**, make corrections based on the **error**
- Less sensitive** to the system parameters and **robust** to **disturbances**
- Provides **self-regulating** and **tracking** capability to the system
- Required **sensor** or **measurement device**, **additional hardware** and **cost**

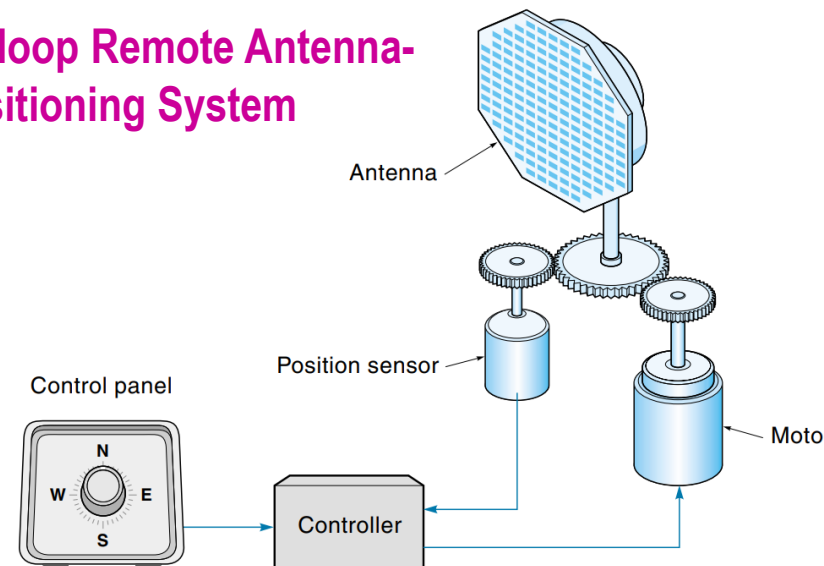


A Closed-loop System that uses a Linkage Mechanism as a Feedback Device



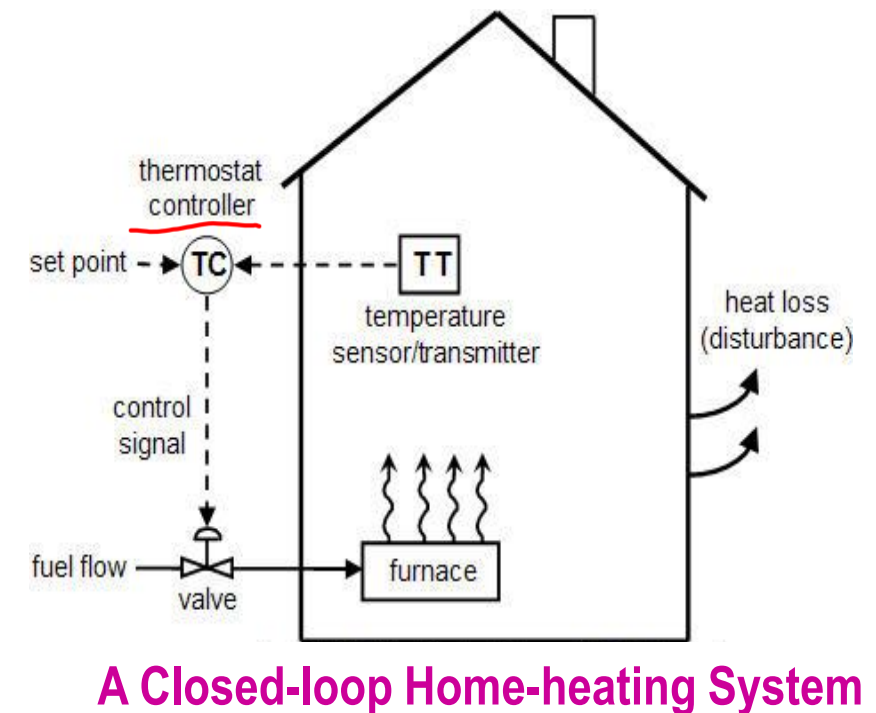
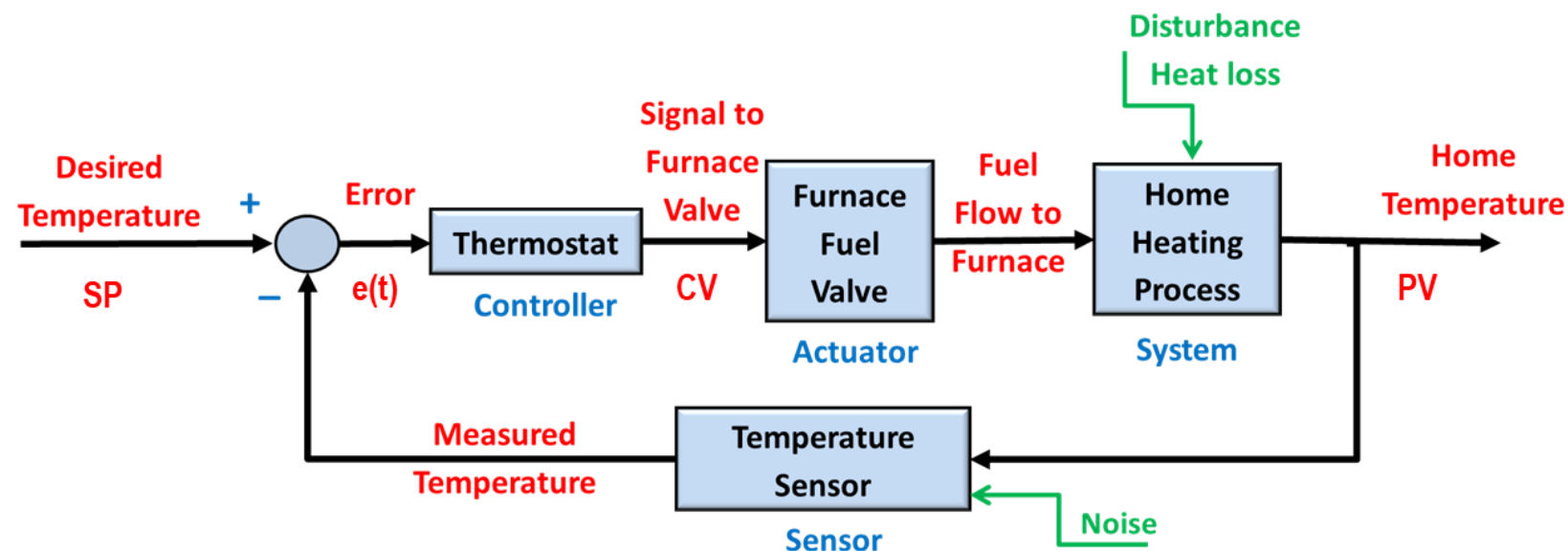
A Closed-loop Home-heating System

A Closed-loop Remote Antenna-Positioning System



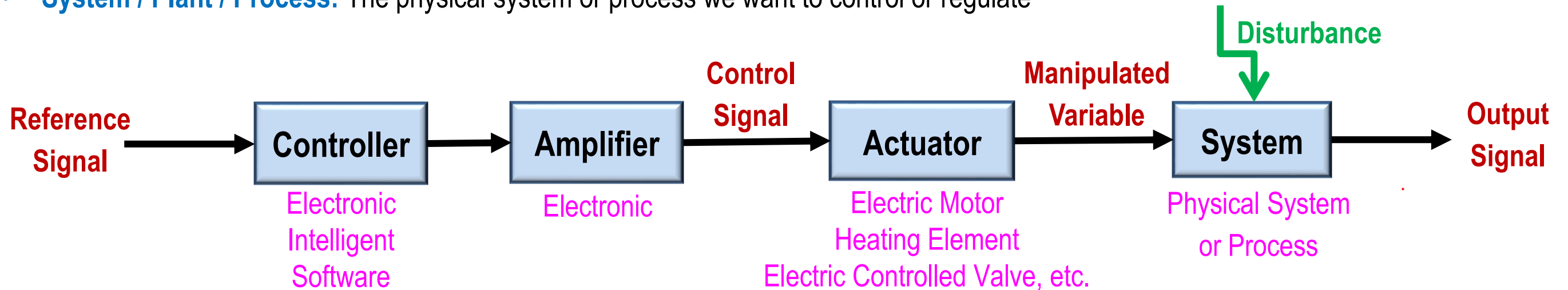
Block Diagram Representation

- **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.
- The **input–output relationship** represents the **cause-and-effect relationship** of the process, which in turn represents a processing of the input signal to provide a desired output signal.
- **Basic elements** of block diagram representation
 - **Rectangles** → Subsystems and Elements
 - **Arrows** → Input and Output of subsystems and Signal flow directions
 - **Circles** → Comparators to add or subtract signals



Basic Elements of an Open-loop Control System

- **Controller (The brain)**: The device that we use it to control the system behavior
- **Amplifier**: The device receives signals from the controller and converts them into power sufficient for the actuator to drive the load.
- **Actuator (Final Control Element / The muscle)**: The device that takes power and command from amplifier to derive the system.
- **System / Plant / Process**: The physical system or process we want to control or regulate

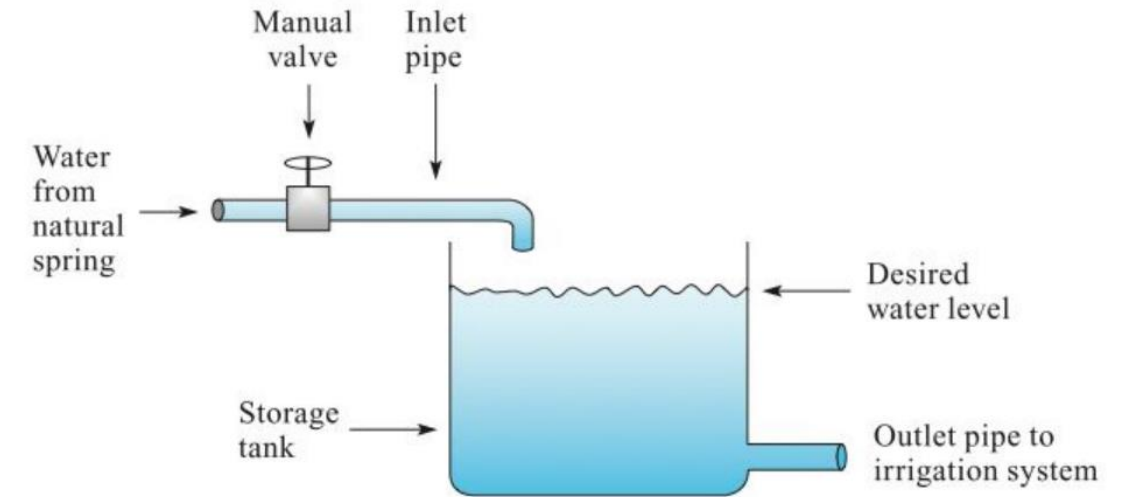
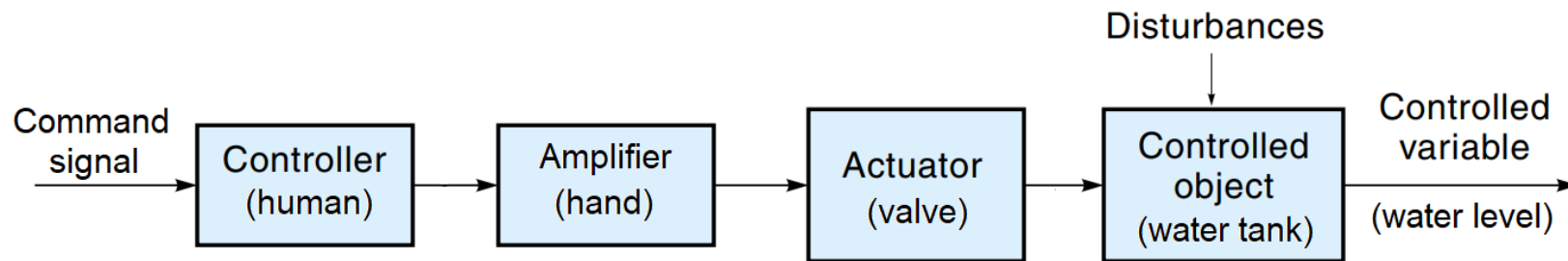


- **Reference Signal / Set Point**: Required set point or command signal to achieve the desired control objective
- **Control Signal / Control Variable**: The signal we use to control the system
- **Manipulated Variable**: The regulated signal by the actuator as the final control element
- **Output Signal / Process Variable / Controlled Variable**: The measured data or signal from the system to check its behavior
- **Disturbance**: Environmental perturbations that are harming the system

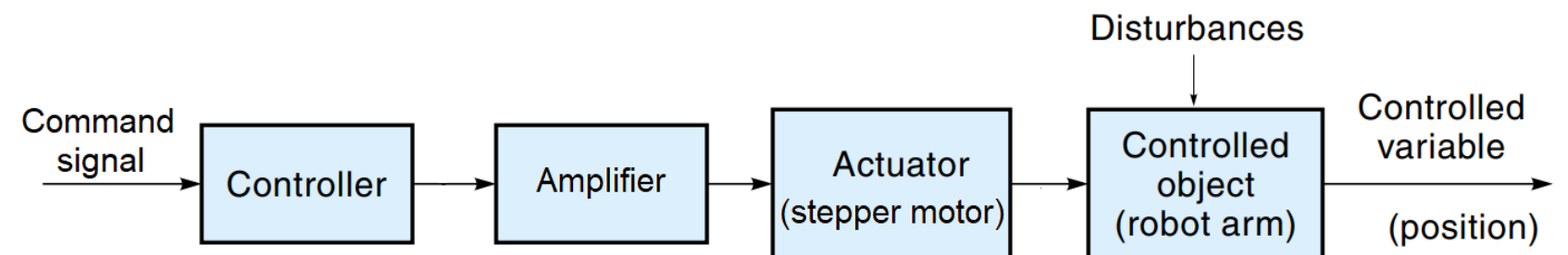
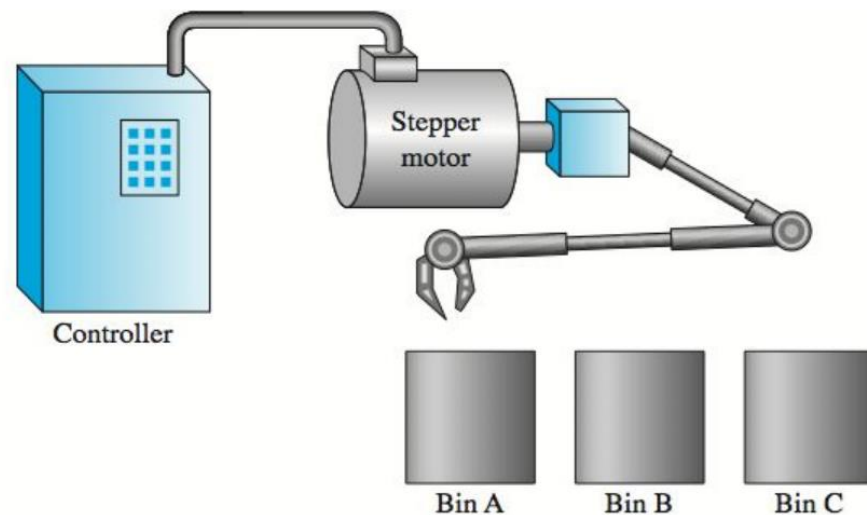
Basic Elements of an Open-loop Control System

Example

❑ An Open-loop Reservoir System to Store Water for an Irrigation System



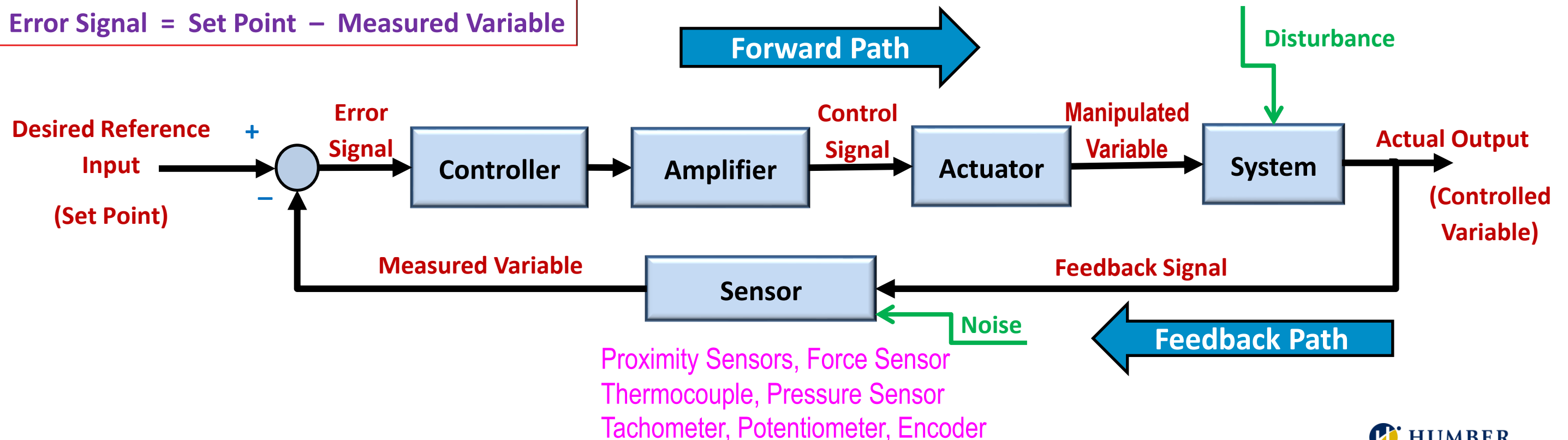
❑ An Open-loop Pick-and-Place Application



Basic Elements of a Closed-loop Control System

- In addition to the elements of the open-loop control system the following elements exist in a closed-loop control system:
 - **Sensor / Measurement Device (The eyes):** It provides the controller information about the controlled variable or measured output
 - **Feedback Signal:** The measure value of the actual output
 - **Measured Value:** With an accurate sensor, the measured output is a good approximation of the actual output of the system
 - **Error Detector:** This element compares the required value of the variable being controlled with the measured value and produces an error signal
 - **Error Signal:** Difference between the reference input and the measured output

$$\text{Error Signal} = \text{Set Point} - \text{Measured Variable}$$

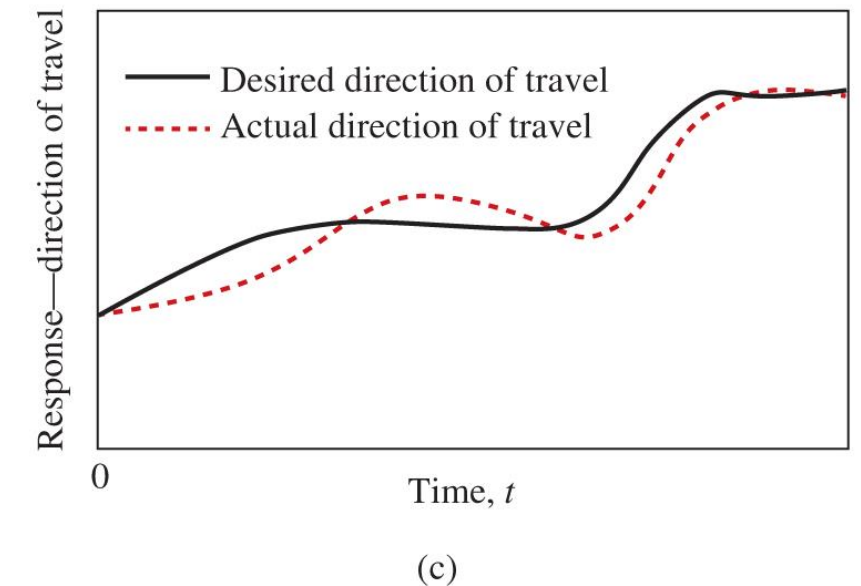
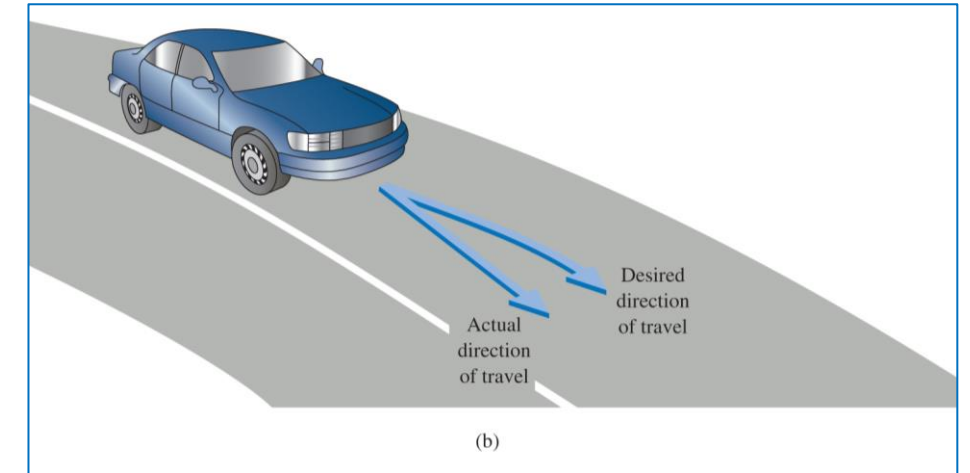
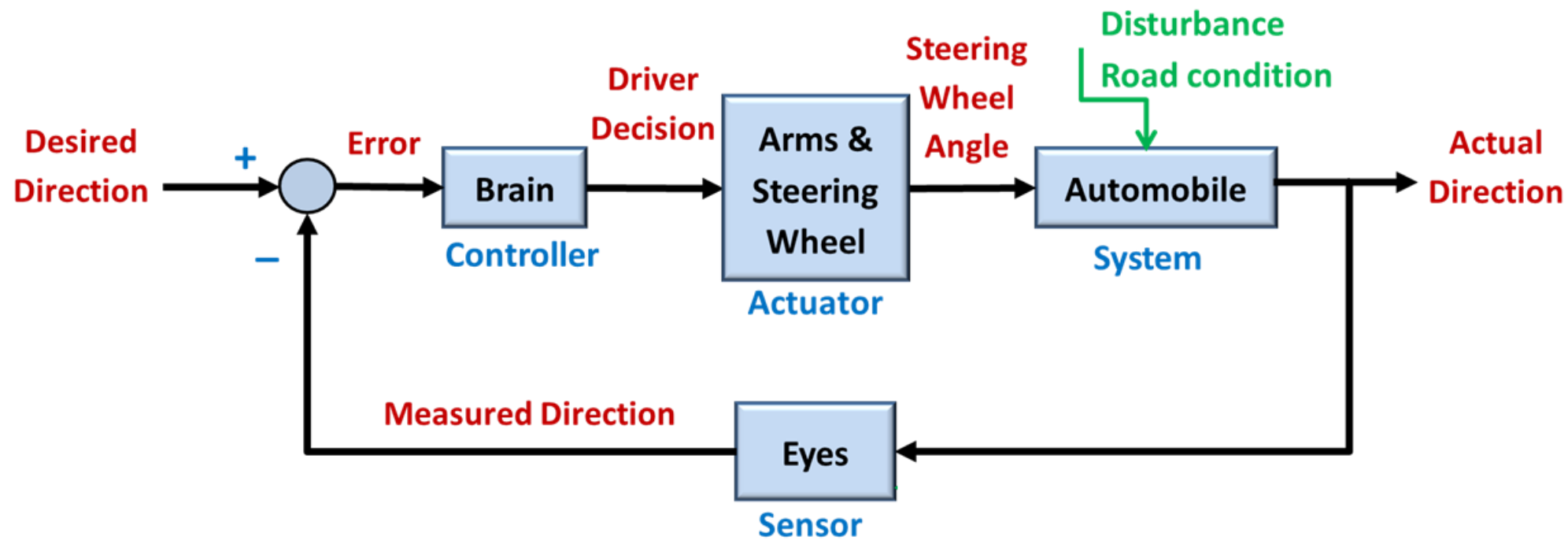


Basic Elements of a Closed-loop Control System

Example

❑ Automobile Navigation Control

- An operator monitors and adjusts the system
- This is a **human-in-the-loop** control



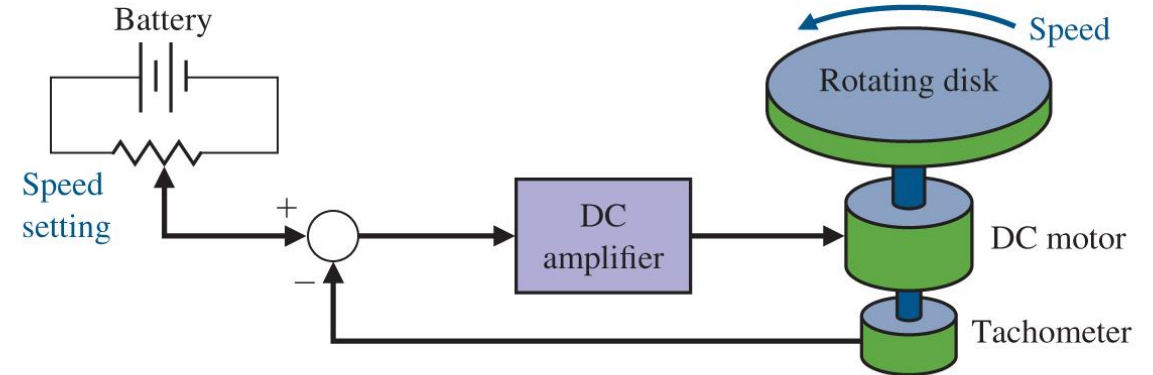
$$\text{Error Signal} = \text{Desired Direction} - \text{Measured Direction}$$

Basic Elements of a Closed-loop Control System

Example

❑ Rotating Disk Speed Control

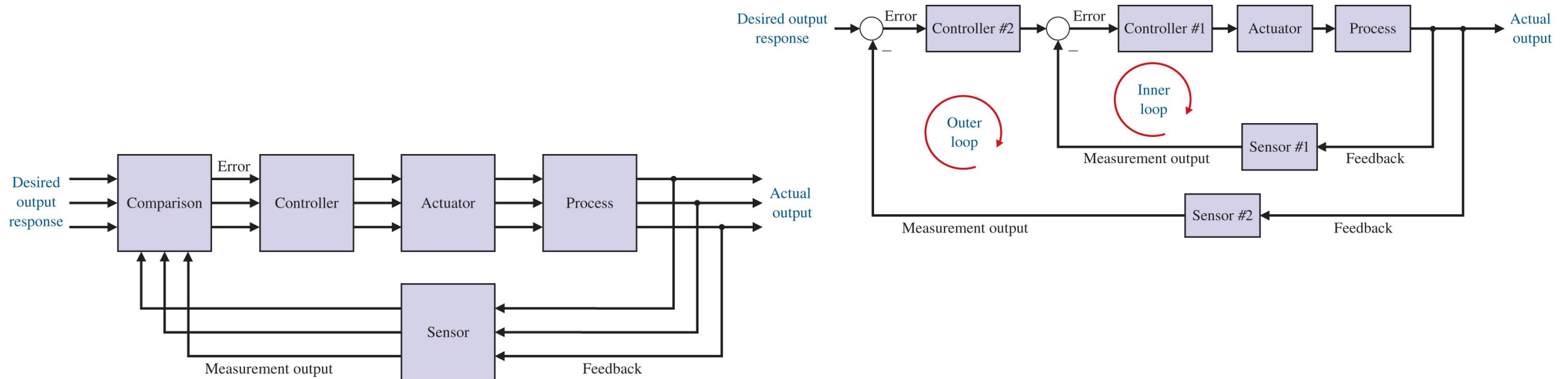
- This is an **automated** closed-loop control system
- The **goal** is to design a system for rotating disk speed control that will ensure that the **actual speed** of rotation is within a specified percentage of the **desired speed**.
- The **battery** source provides a voltage that is proportional to the **desired speed**.
- This voltage is **amplified** and applied to the motor.
- A **DC motor** is selected as the **actuator** because it provides a speed proportional to the applied motor voltage.
- To obtain a **feedback** system, we need to select a **sensor**.
- A **tachometer** can provide an output voltage proportional to the speed of fix shaft.



$$\text{Error Signal} = \text{Desired Speed} - \text{Tachometer Speed}$$

Multi-loop & Multivariable Feedback Control Systems

- In addition to the basic **single-loop**, **single-input** and **single-output** feedback control systems, there are several more complex configurations.
- Many feedback control systems contain more than one feedback loop.
- A common **multi-loop feedback control system** is a one with an **inner loop** and an **outer loop**.
- In this scenario, the inner loop has a controller and a sensor, and the outer loop has a controller and sensor



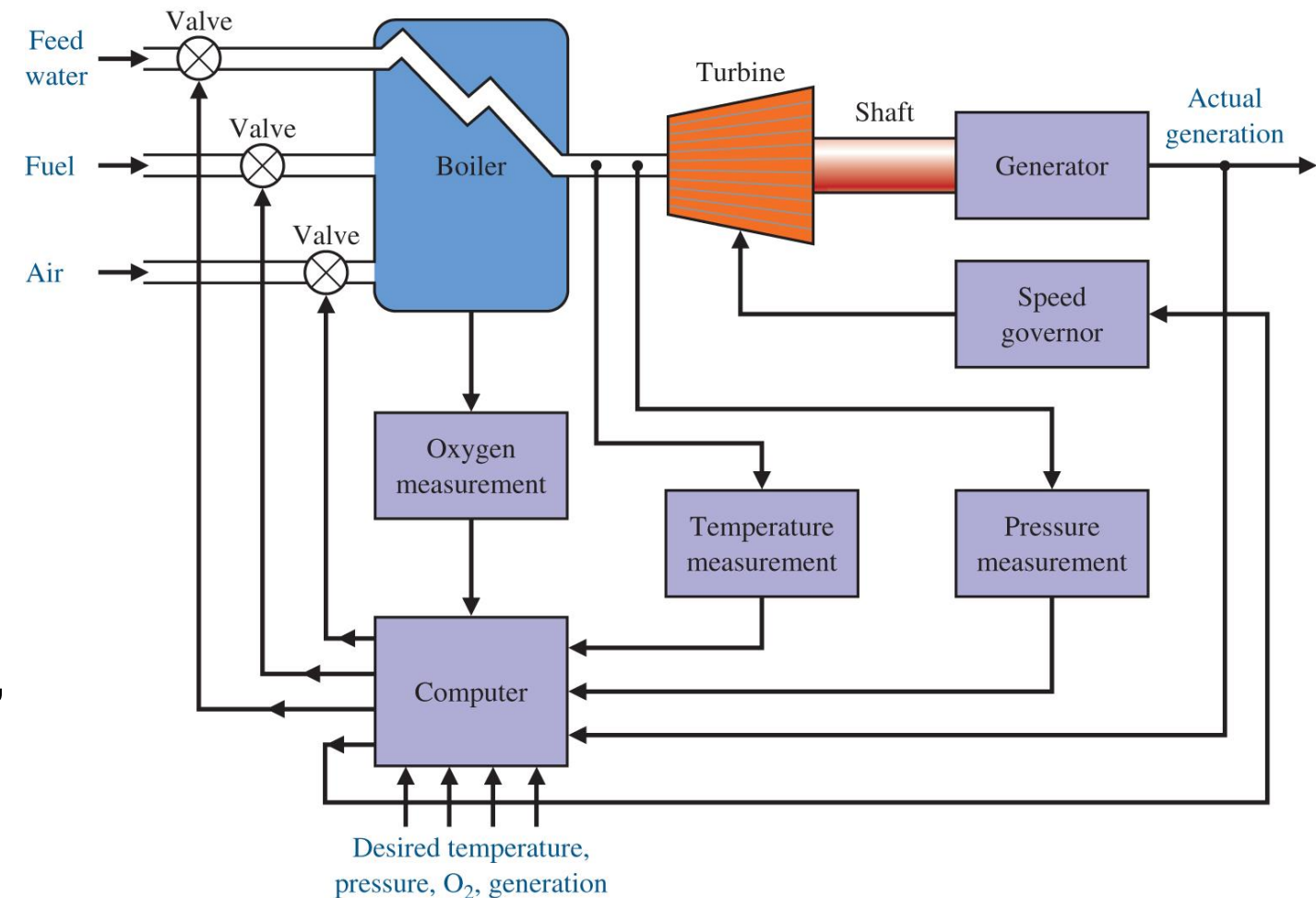
- In some cases, due to the increasing **complexity** of the system under control and the interest in achieving **optimum performance**, the interrelationship of many controlled variables must be considered in the control scheme by configuring a **multivariable control system**.

Multi-loop & Multivariable Feedback Control Systems

Example

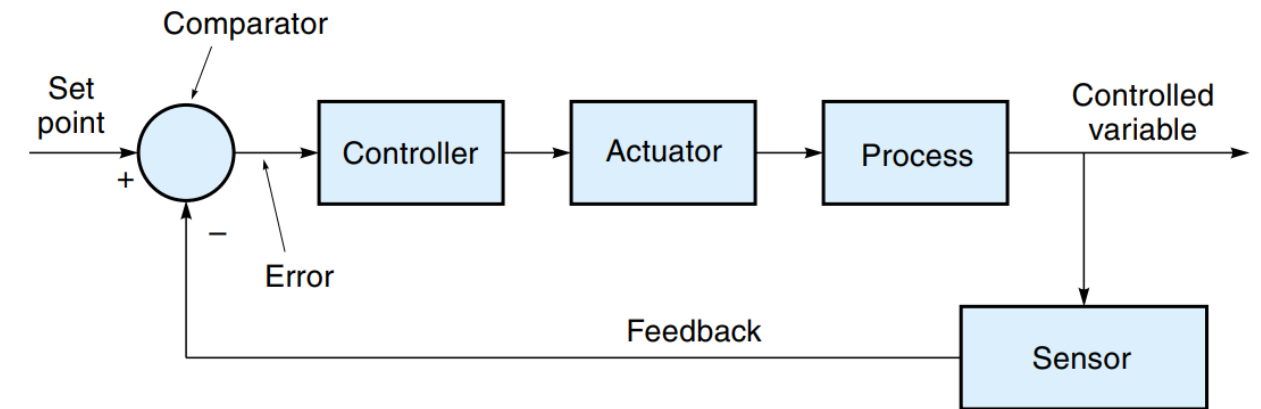
❑ Electric Power Industry

- This is a coordinated control system for a boiler–generator
- The electric power industry is primarily interested in energy conversion, control, and distribution.
- It is critical that computer control be increasingly applied to the power industry in order to improve the efficient use of energy resources.
- Also, the control of power plants for minimum waste emission has become increasingly important.
- A simplified model showing several of the important control variables of a large boiler–generator system.
- This is an example of the importance of measuring many variables, such as pressure and oxygen, to provide information to the computer for control calculation.

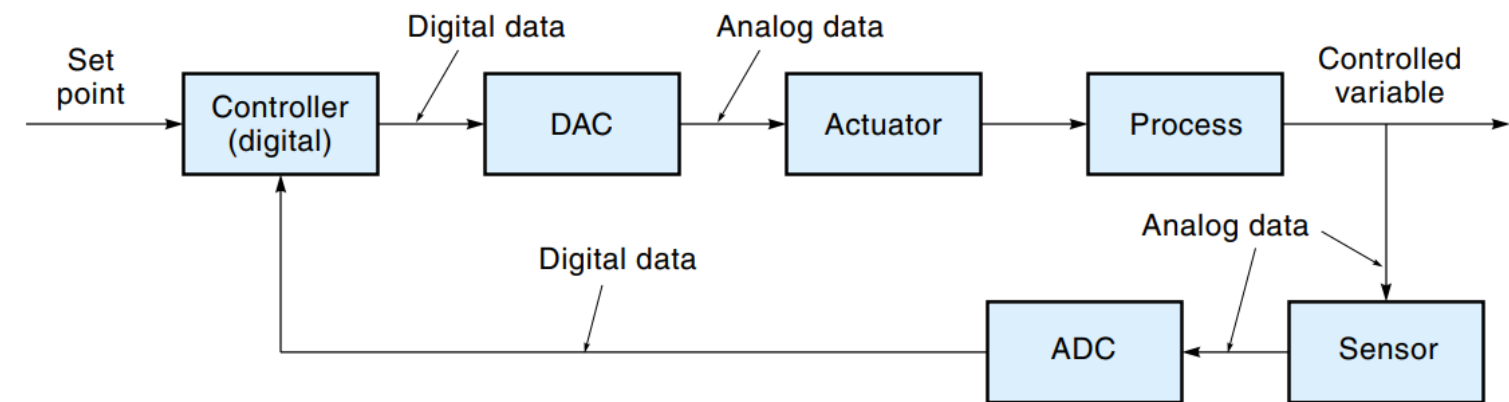


Analog & Digital Control Systems

- In an **analog control system**, the controller consists of traditional **analog** devices and circuits, that is, **linear amplifiers**.
- The first control systems were analog because it was the only available technology.
- In the analog control system, any change in either set point or feedback is sensed immediately, and the amplifiers adjust their output (to the actuator) accordingly.



- A **digital control system** uses **digital signals** and a **digital computer** to control a process.
- The measurement data are converted from **analog** form to **digital** form by means of the **analog-to-digital converter (ADC)**.
- After processing the inputs, the **digital computer** provides an output in **digital** form.
- This output is then converted to **analog** form by the **digital-to-analog converter (DAC)**.



Control System Design Procedure

1. Establishment of goals, variables to be controlled, and specifications

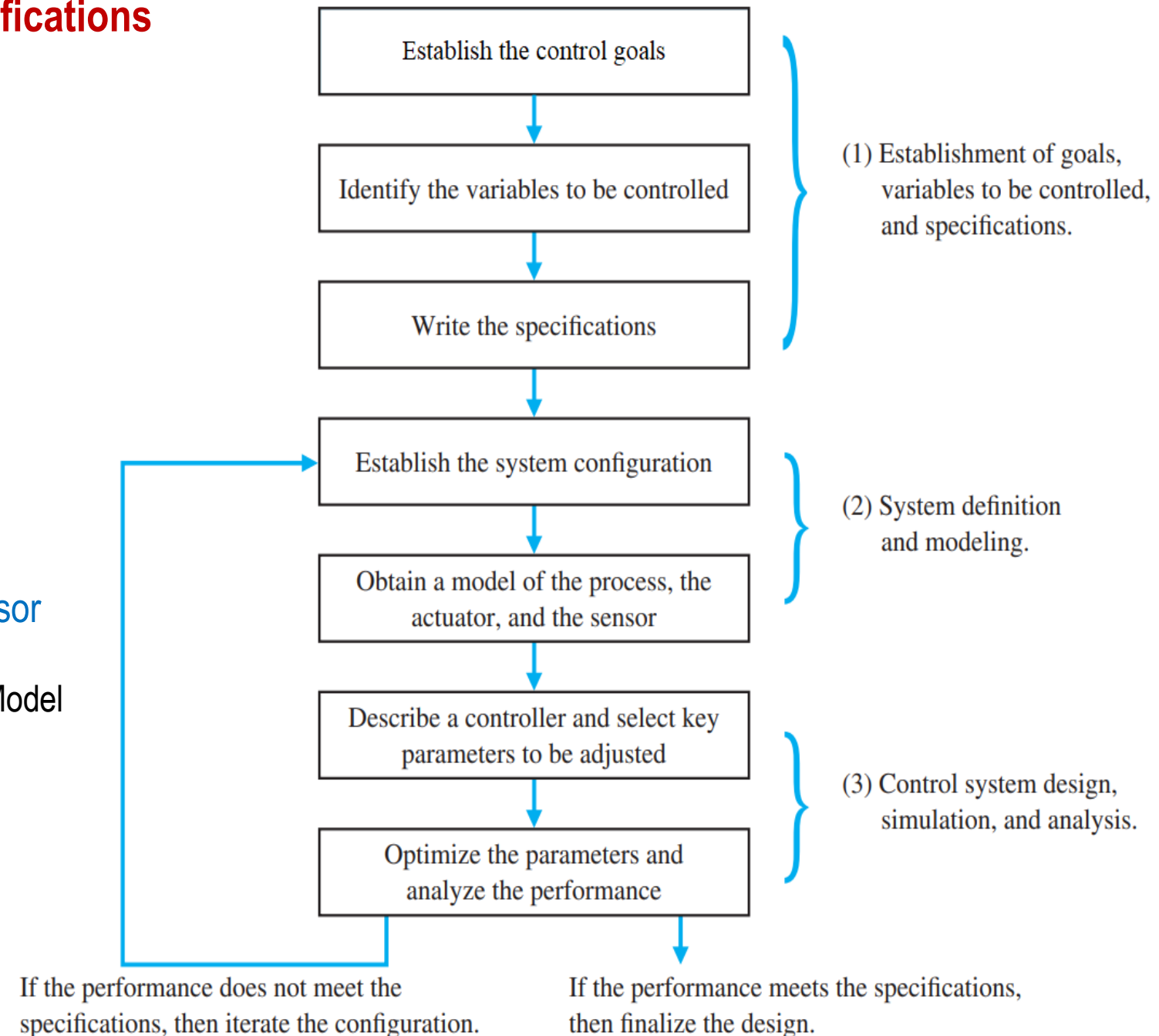
- Establish the control goals and objectives
 - Stability, Regulation, Tracking, Robustness, Cost & Efficiency, ...
- Identify the variables to be controlled
 - Input Signal, Output Signal, ...
- Write the desired performance specifications
 - Response time, Accuracy, ...

2. System definition and modeling

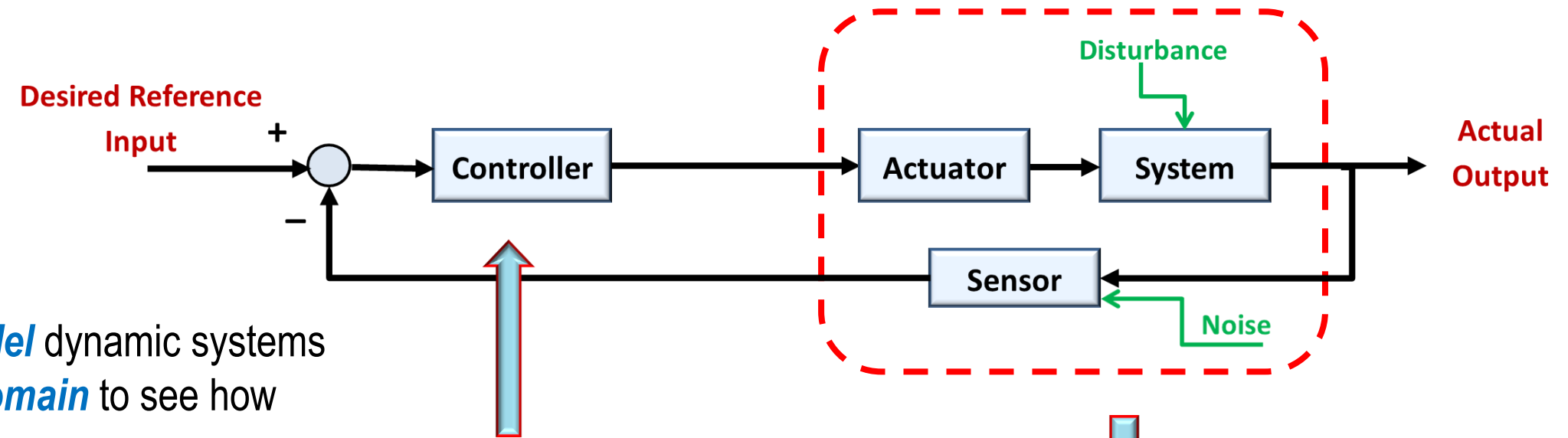
- Establish the system configuration
 - Open-loop, Closed-loop, Components, ...
- Obtain a model of the process/system, amplifier, actuator, and sensor
 - Mathematical techniques that involves differential equation solution, Empirical methods, Block diagram, Transfer function, State-space Model

3. Control system design, simulation, and analysis

- Analyze the system to check the characteristics
- Describe a controller and select key parameters to be adjusted
- Optimize the parameters and analyze the performance
- Compare the performance with the desired specifications including stability, transient response, steady-state response, ...



Control System Design Procedure



- In **MENG 3020**, you learned how to *model* dynamic systems and *simulate* their responses in *time domain* to see how does a given system respond.
- In **MENG 3510**, you will learn how to *design feedback control systems* to *improve* the response of a given system in three primary areas:
 - **Dynamic response**
 - **Steady-state error**
 - **Stability**

Implementing

Modeling

Controller
Design

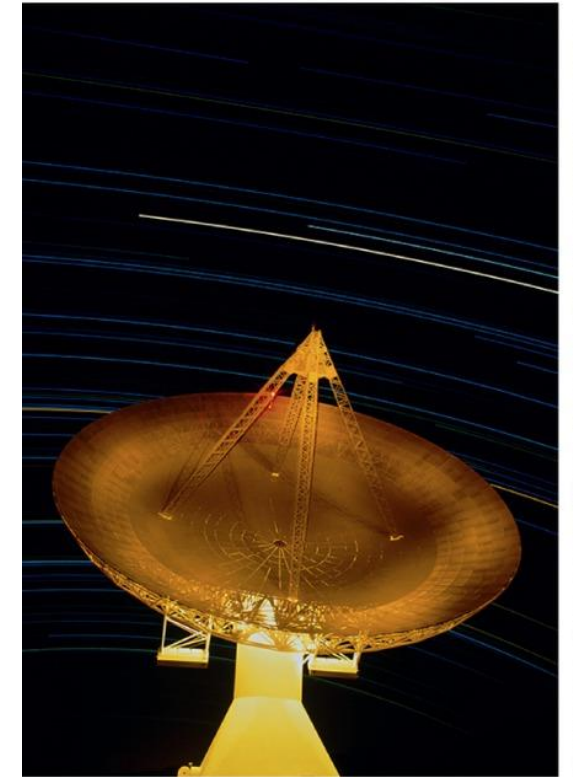
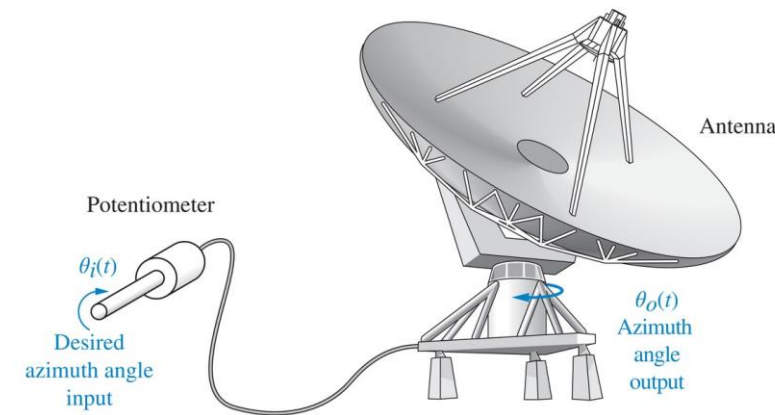
Analyzing

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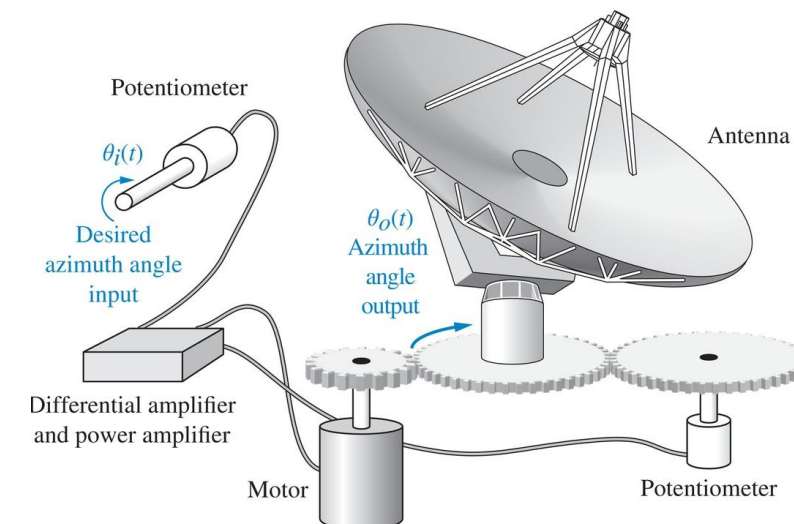
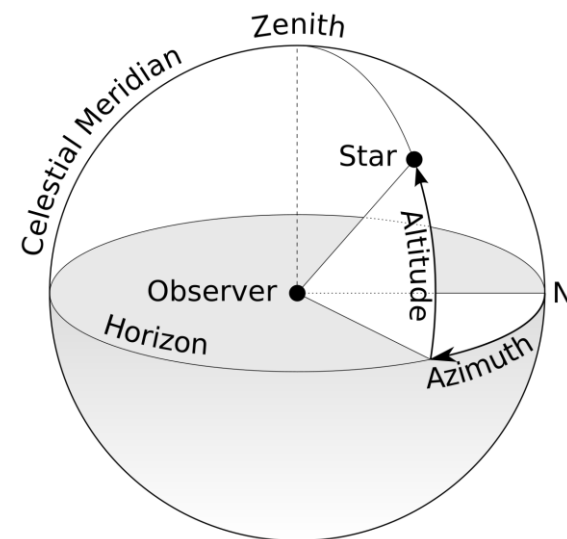
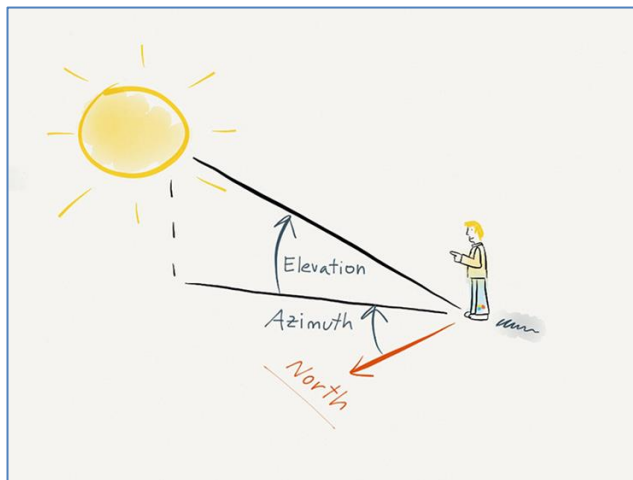
Review of Dynamic System Modeling

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- The **design** of a **feedback control system** requires first having a **model** of the **system** to be controlled.
- This sub-section provides a review of **dynamic system modeling** and **analysis** fundamentals.
- In this section, we will take a look at a simple **motor-driven antenna azimuth position control system** example to review dynamic system modeling fundamentals.
 - Create Schematic & Block diagram
 - Differential equation models
 - Transfer function models
 - State-variable models
 - System poles & Transient response



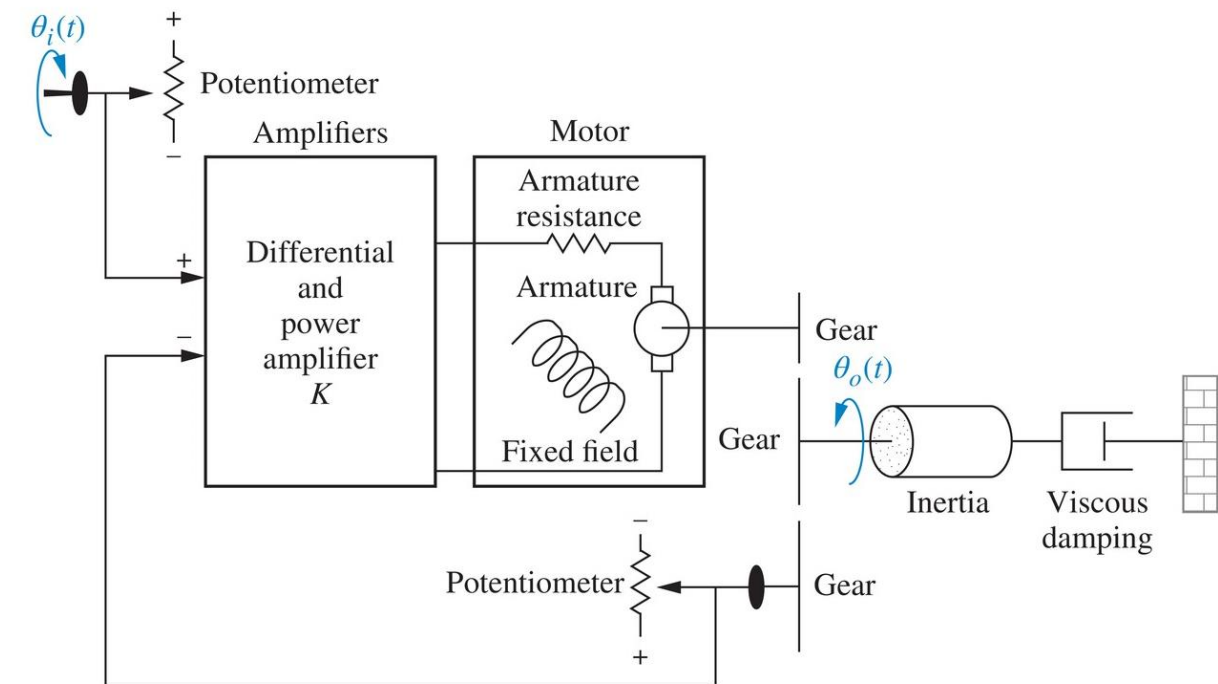
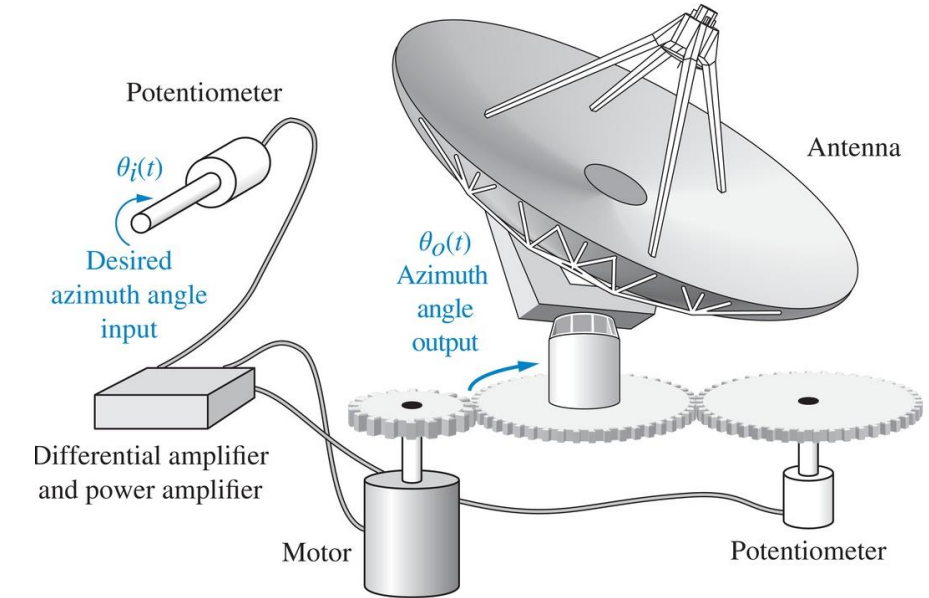
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Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Create Schematic & Block Diagram

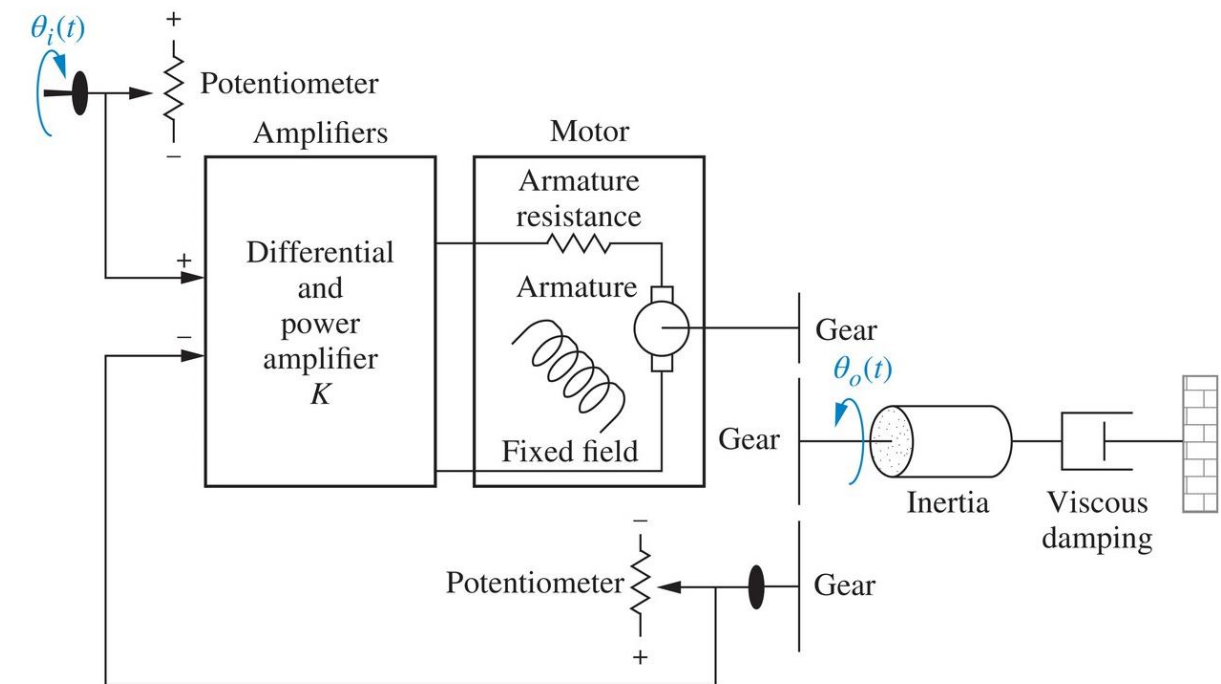
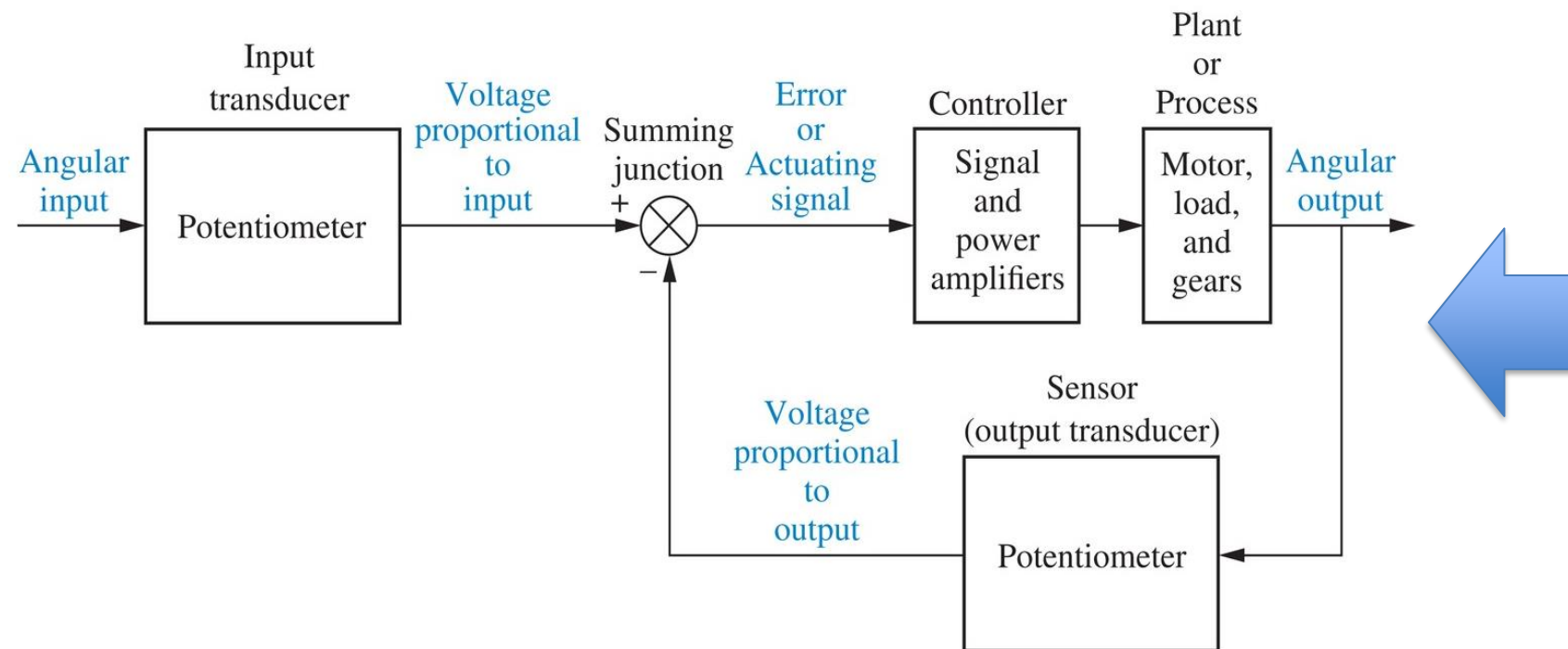
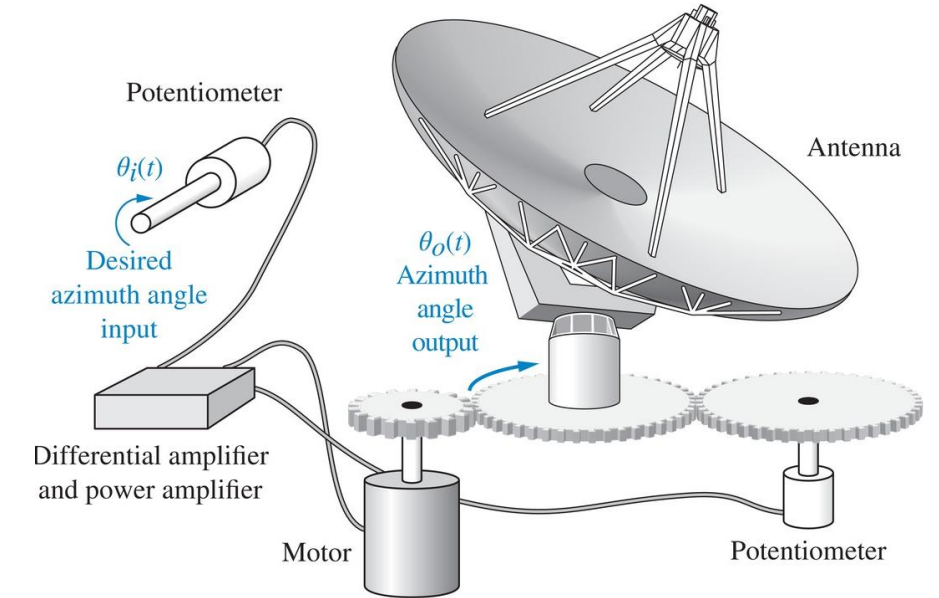
- Transform the physical system into a **schematic diagram** by making some **simplifying assumptions**.
- We must make **approximations** about the system and **neglect certain phenomena**, or else the schematic will be unwieldy, making it difficult to extract a useful mathematical model during the next phase of the analysis and design sequence.
- Potentiometers**: Assume that the mechanical effects, **friction** and **inertia**, are negligible and that the voltage across a potentiometer changes instantaneously as the potentiometer shaft turns.
- Amplifiers**: Assume that the dynamics of the differential amplifier is **rapid** compared to the response time of the power amplifier and the motor. Thus, we model it as a **pure gain**.
- DC Motor**: Assume that the effect of **armature inductance** is negligible for DC motor.
- Load**: The load consists of a rotating mass and bearing friction. Thus, the model consists of **inertia** and **viscous damping**.



Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Create Schematic & Block Diagram

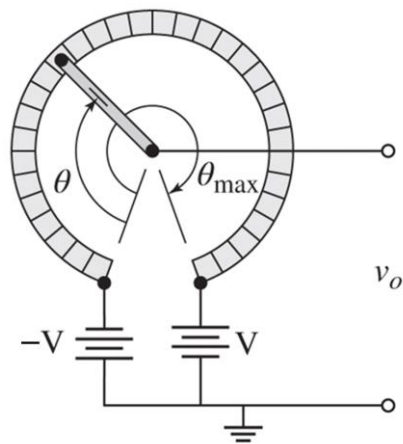
- We can translate a qualitative description of the system into a **functional block diagram** that describes the **component** parts or **subsystems** of the system and shows their interconnection and input-output.



Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Develop a Mathematical Model

- Define the **input-output** and find a **transfer function** model for each subsystem.
- Input Potentiometer & Output Potentiometer:**
 - Since the input and output potentiometers are configured in the same way, their transfer functions will be the same.
 - We **neglect** the mechanical dynamics for the potentiometers and simply find the relationship between the output voltage and the input angular displacement.

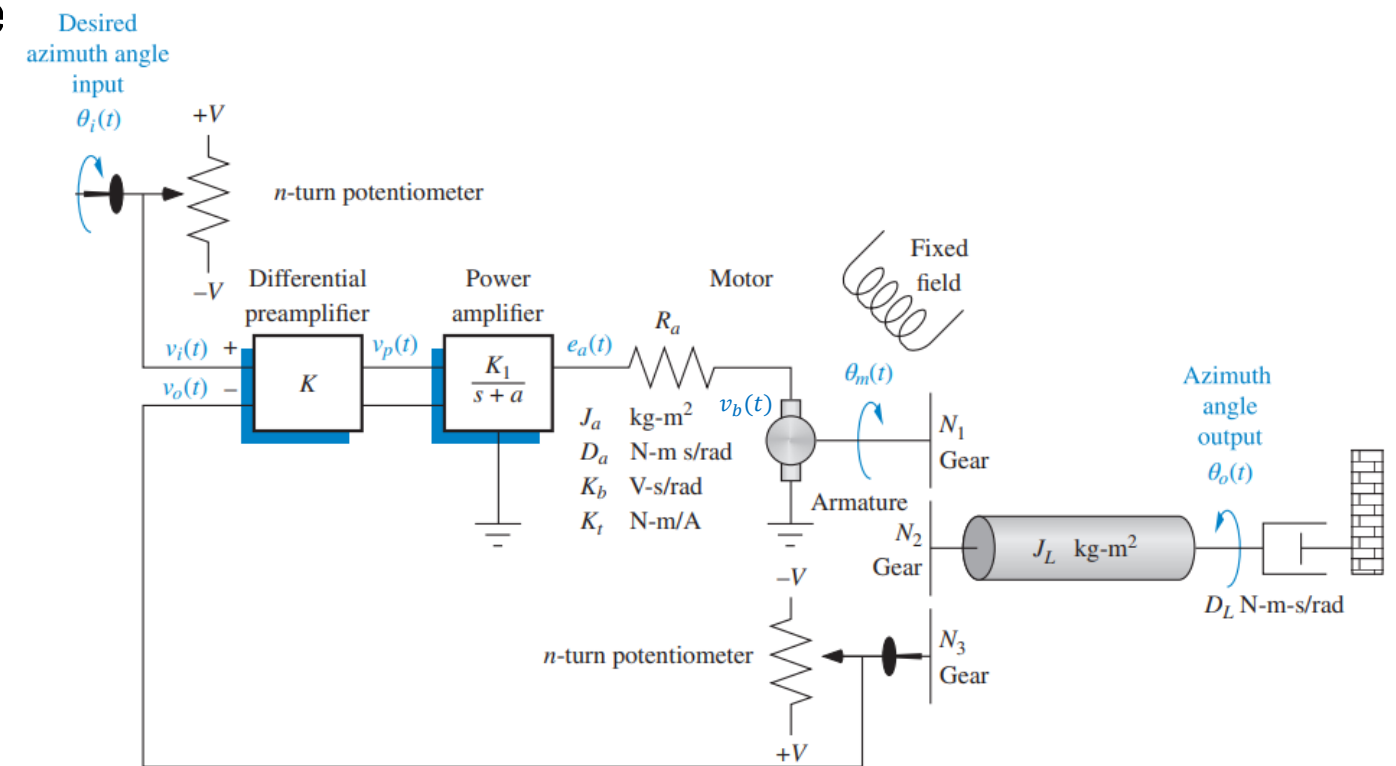
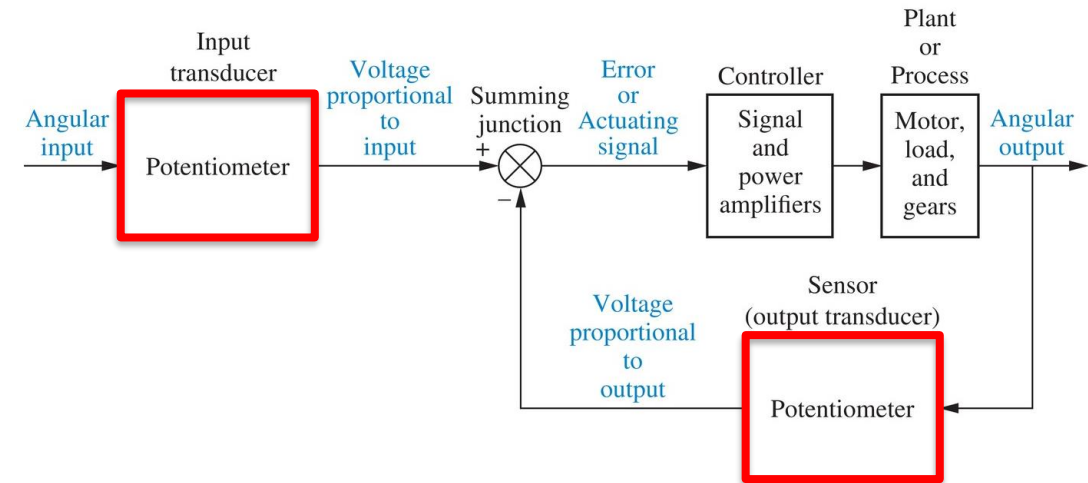


$$\frac{v_o(t)}{\theta(t)} = \frac{2V}{\theta_{max}} = \frac{2V}{2\pi} = \frac{V}{\pi} = K_{pot}$$

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{\theta(s)} = K_{pot}$$

- Assume $V = 10V$:

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{\theta(s)} = \frac{10}{\pi} = 0.318$$



Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Develop a Mathematical Model

- Define the **input-output** and find a **transfer function** model for each subsystem.
- Signal & Power Amplifiers:**
 - First, we assume that **saturation** is never reached.
 - Second, the dynamics of the **differential preamplifier** are neglected, since its speed of response is typically much greater than that of the power amplifier.

- Signal Amplifier:**

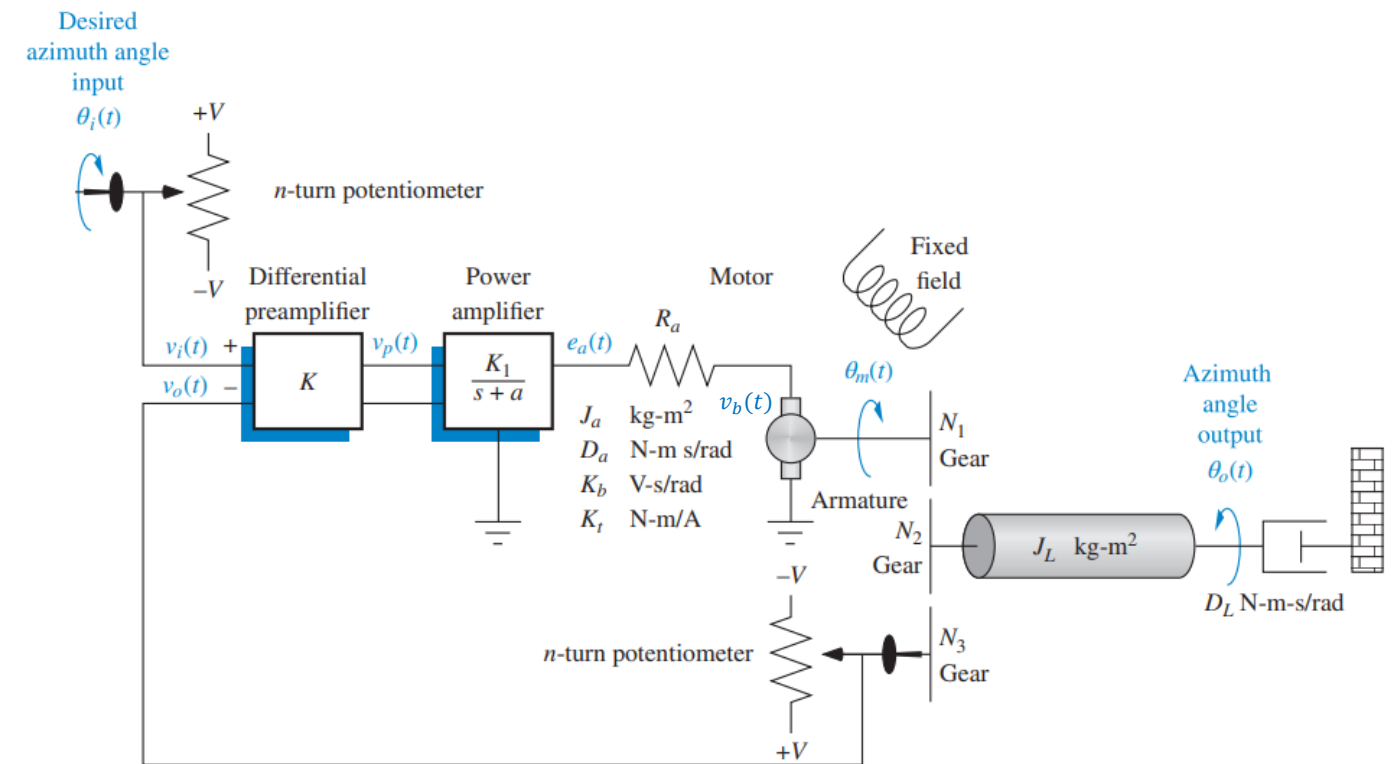
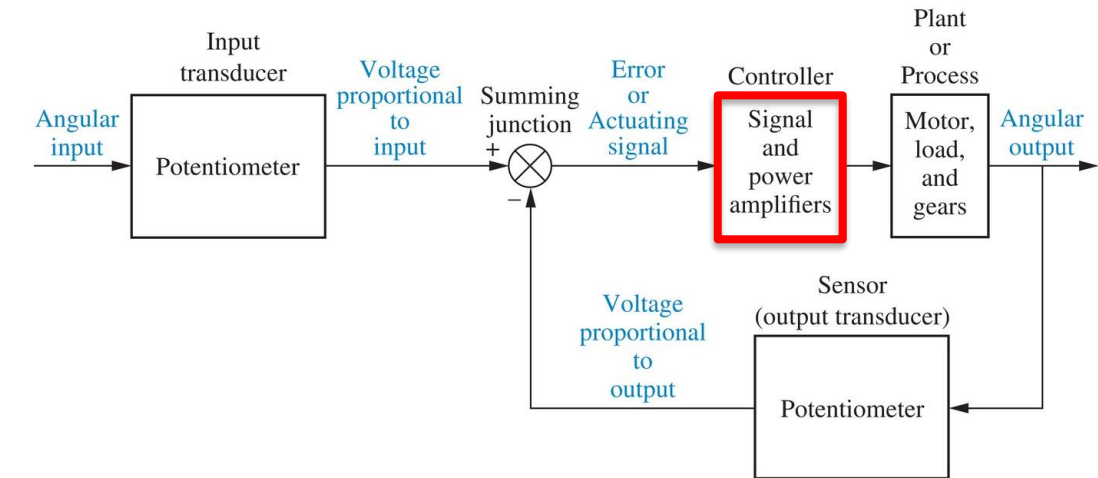
$$\frac{V_p(s)}{V_e(s)} = K$$

- Power Amplifier:**

$$\frac{E_a(s)}{V_p(s)} = \frac{K_1}{s + a}$$

- Assume $K_1 = 100$, $a = 100$:

$$\frac{E_a(s)}{V_p(s)} = \frac{100}{s + 100}$$



Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Develop a Mathematical Model

- Define the **input-output** and find a **transfer function** model for each subsystem.
- DC Motor & Load:**
 - Differential equation of **electrical** and **mechanical** subsystems:

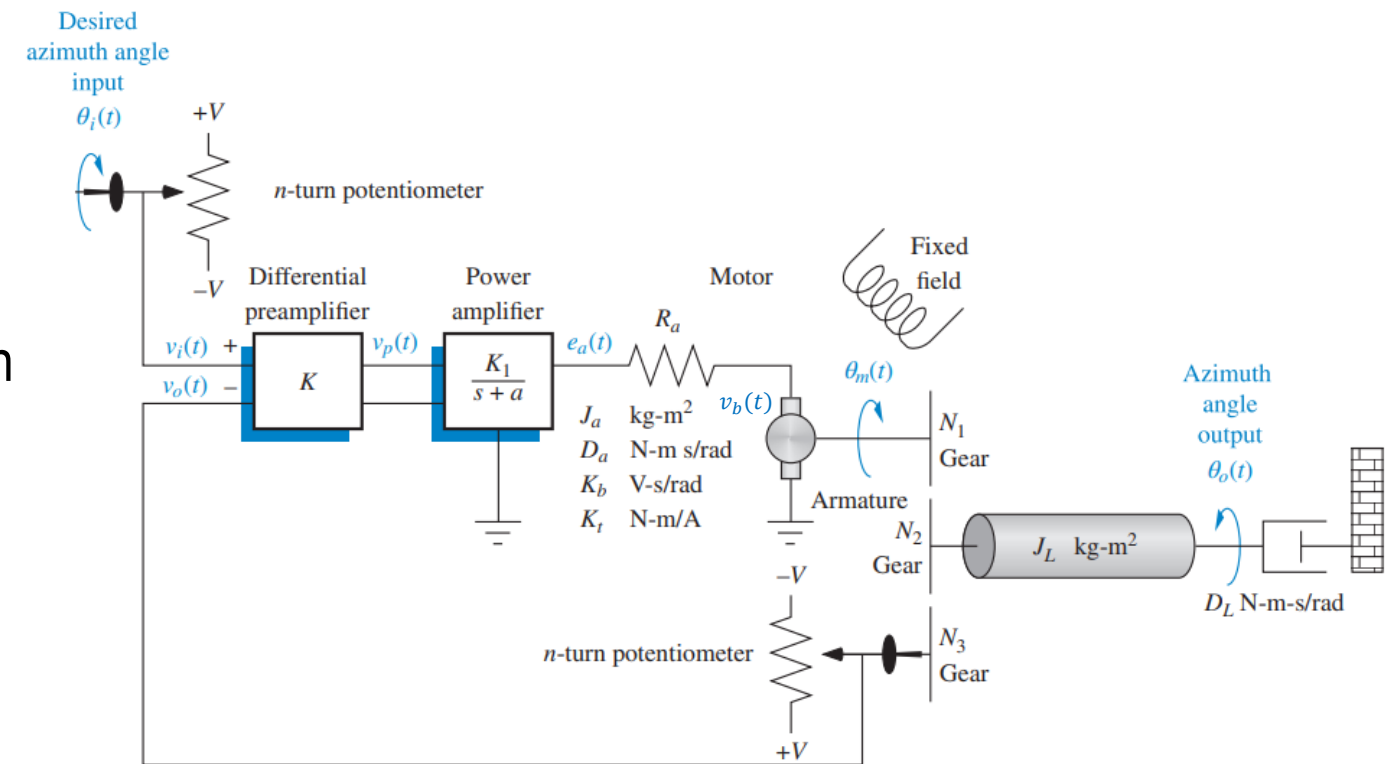
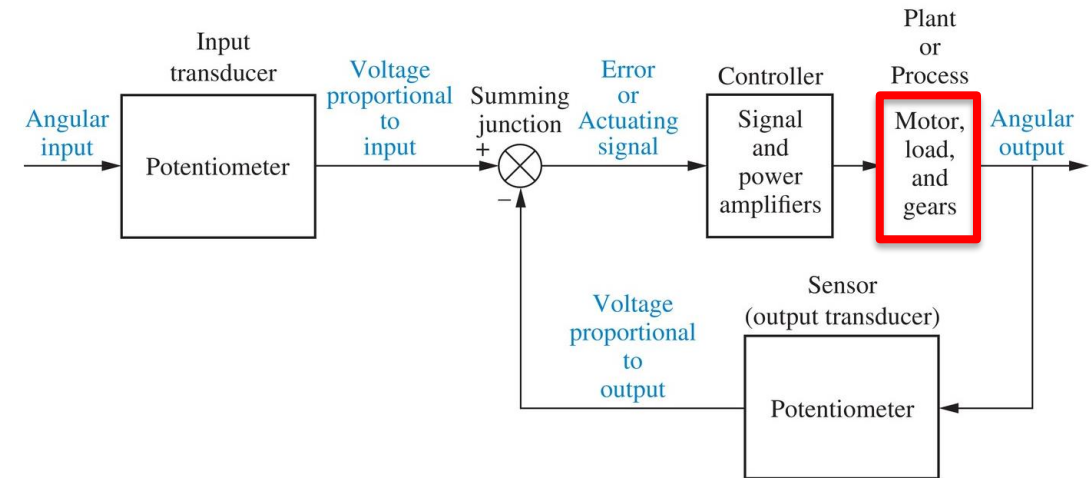
$$\begin{cases} R_a i_a(t) + v_b(t) = e_a(t) \\ v_b(t) = k_b \dot{\theta}_m(t) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \tau_m(t) = J_m \ddot{\theta}_m(t) + D_m \dot{\theta}_m(t) \\ \tau_m(t) = k_t i_a(t) \end{cases}$$

- The **equivalent inertia** and the **equivalent viscous damping** in the motor-side are obtained by applying the gear ratio,

$$J_m = J_a + J_L \left(\frac{1}{N} \right)^2$$

$$D_m = D_a + D_L \left(\frac{1}{N} \right)^2$$



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□ Develop a Mathematical Model

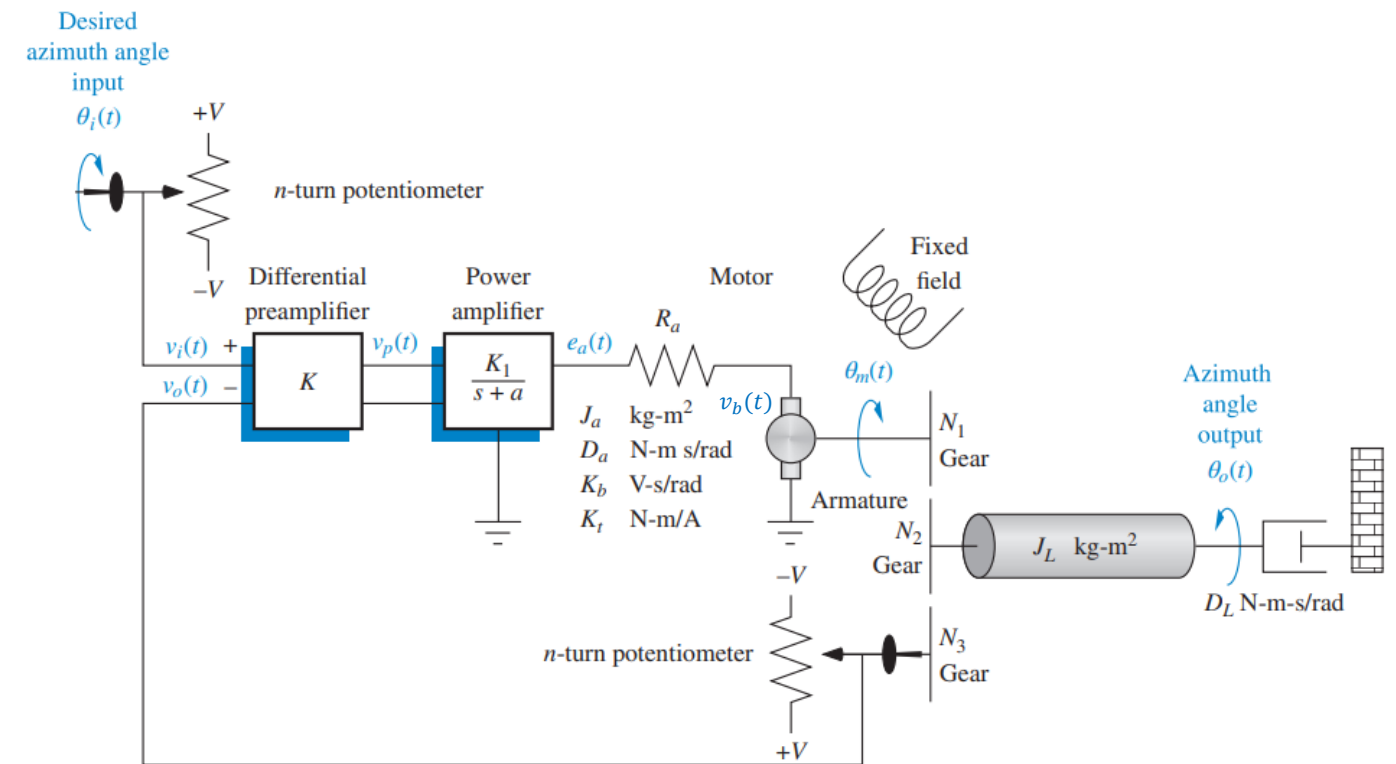
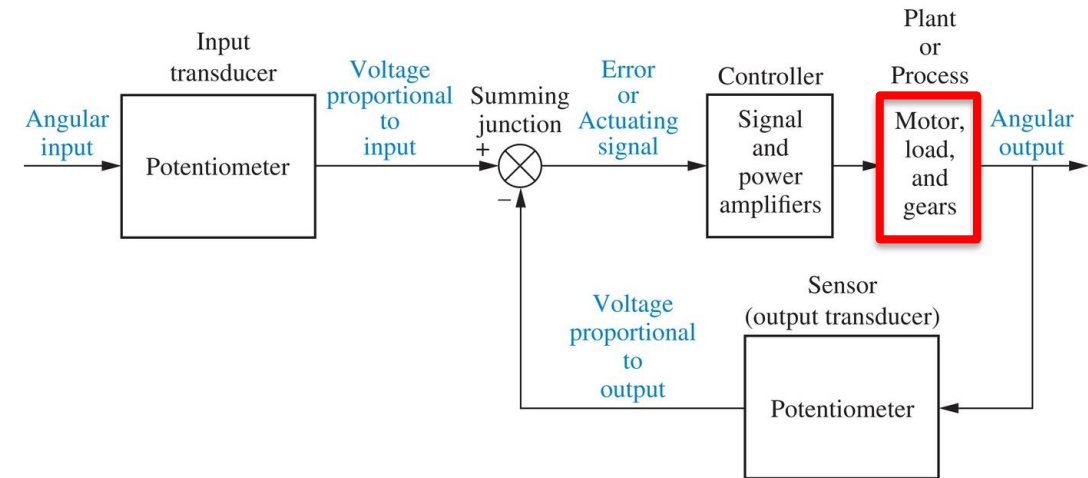
- Define the **input-output** and find a **transfer function** model for each subsystem.
- DC Motor & Load:**
 - Taking **Laplace** transform and combining the equations, we can find the transfer function model of the motor-load subsystem:

$$\begin{cases} R_a I_a(s) + V_b(s) = E_a(s) \\ V_b(s) = k_b s \theta_m(s) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} T_m(s) = J_m s^2 \theta_m(s) + D_m s \theta_m(s) \\ T_m(s) = k_t I_a(s) \end{cases}$$

- The **transfer function** model is:

$$\frac{\theta_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{\frac{k_t}{R_a J_m}}{s \left(s + \frac{1}{J_m} \left(D_m + \frac{k_t k_b}{R_a} \right) \right)} = \frac{K_m}{s(s + a_m)}$$



Review of Dynamic System Modeling

□ Develop a Mathematical Model

- Define the **input-output** and find a **transfer function** model for each subsystem.
- DC Motor & Load:**
 - Assume the following values for the system parameters:

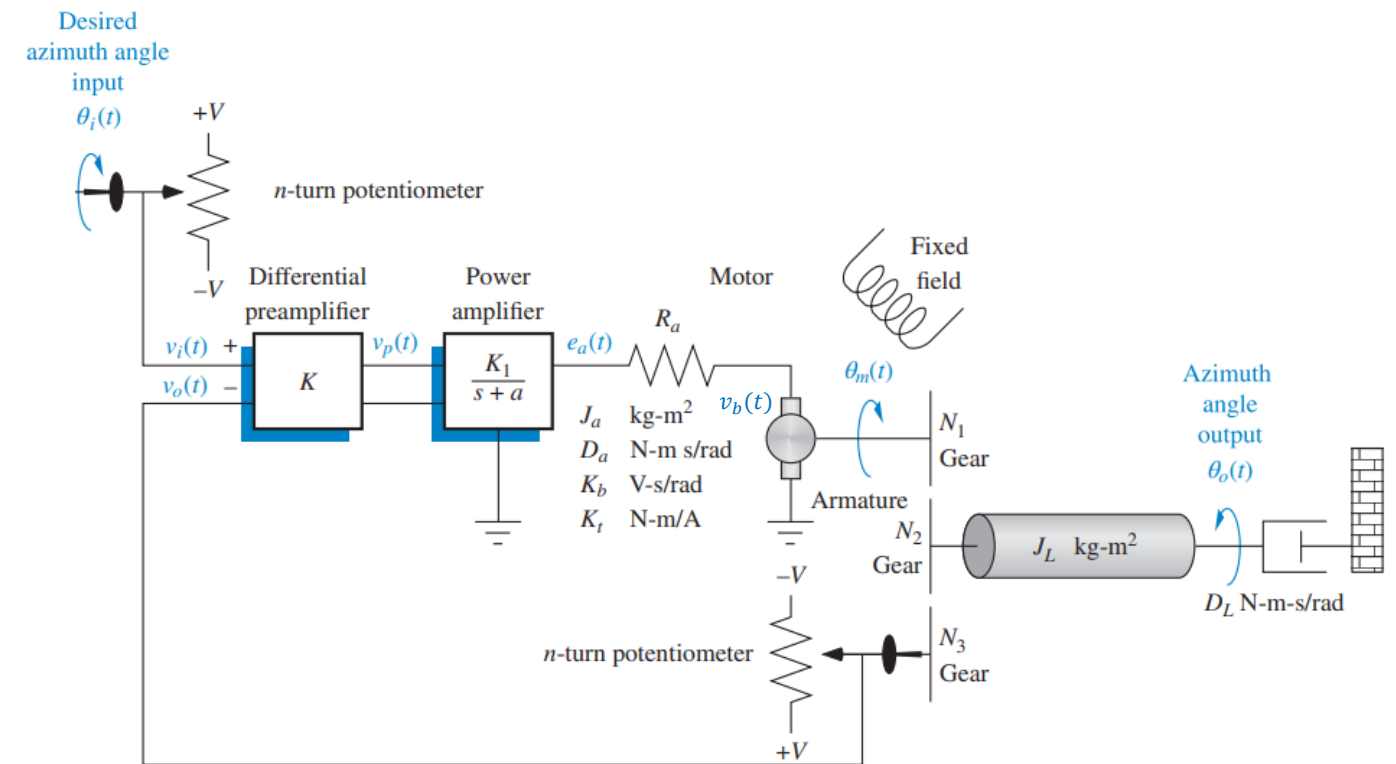
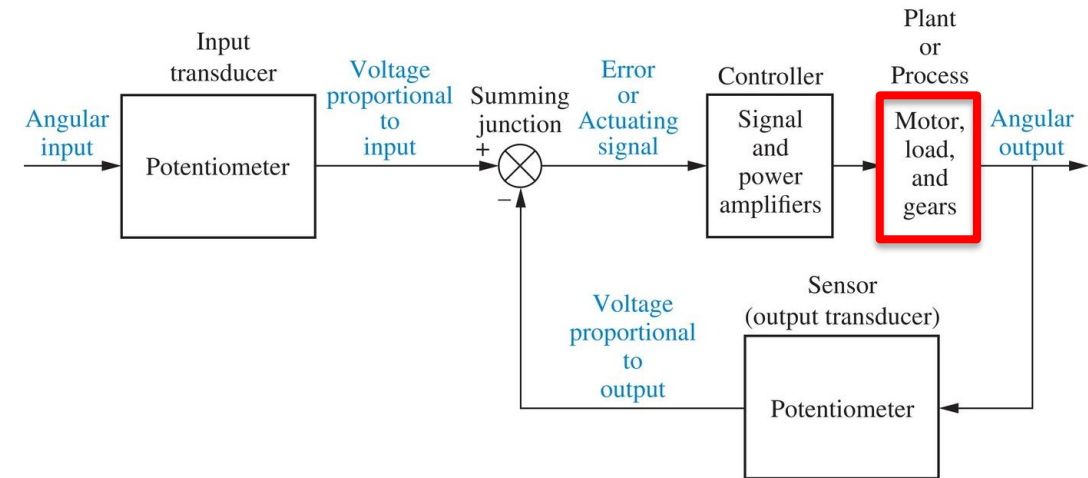
$$\begin{array}{lll} R_a = 8 & k_b = 0.5 & N = 10 \\ J_a = 0.02 & k_t = 0.5 & J_L = 1 \\ D_a = 0.01 & & D_L = 1 \end{array}$$

$$J_m = J_a + J_L \left(\frac{1}{N} \right)^2 = 0.02 + 0.01 = 0.03$$

$$D_m = D_a + D_L \left(\frac{1}{N} \right)^2 = 0.01 + 0.01 = 0.02$$

- The **transfer function** model of DC motor & load is:

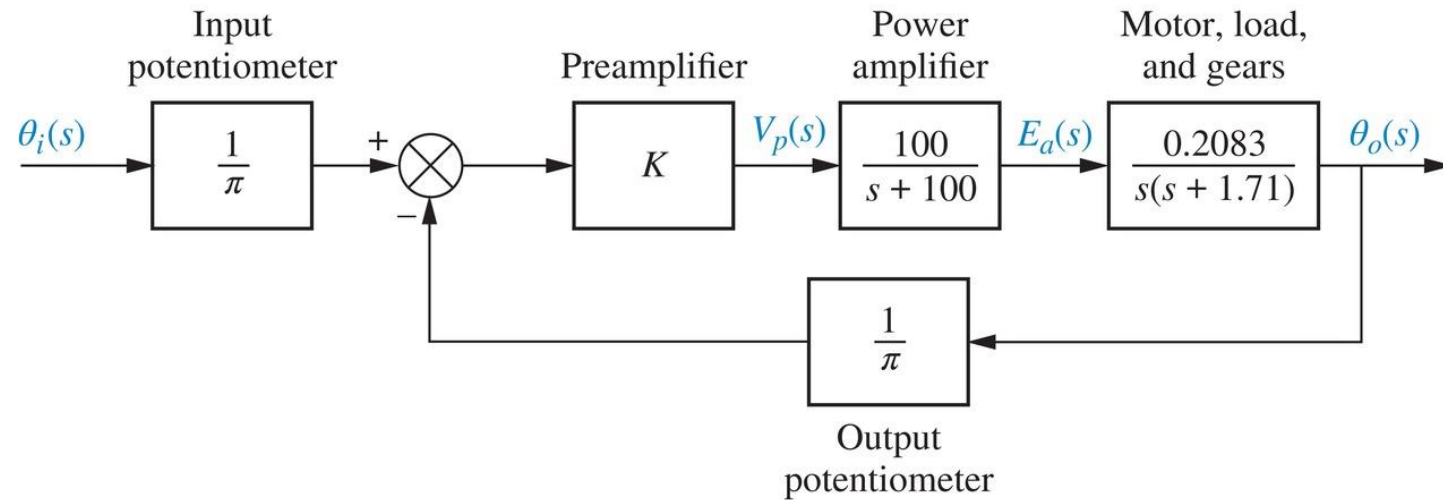
$$\frac{\theta_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{\frac{k_t}{R_a J_m}}{s \left(s + \frac{1}{J_m} \left(D_m + \frac{k_t k_b}{R_a} \right) \right)} = \frac{2.083}{s(s + 1.71)}$$



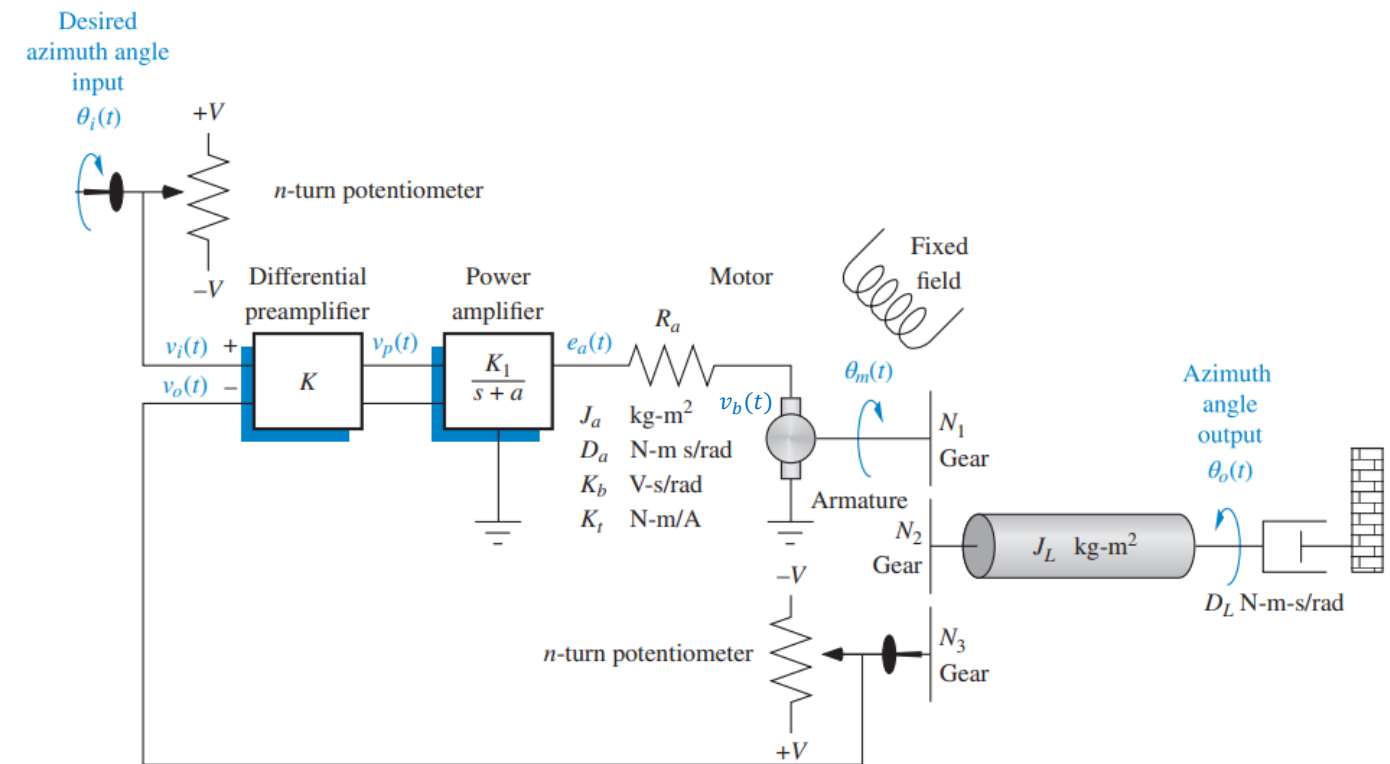
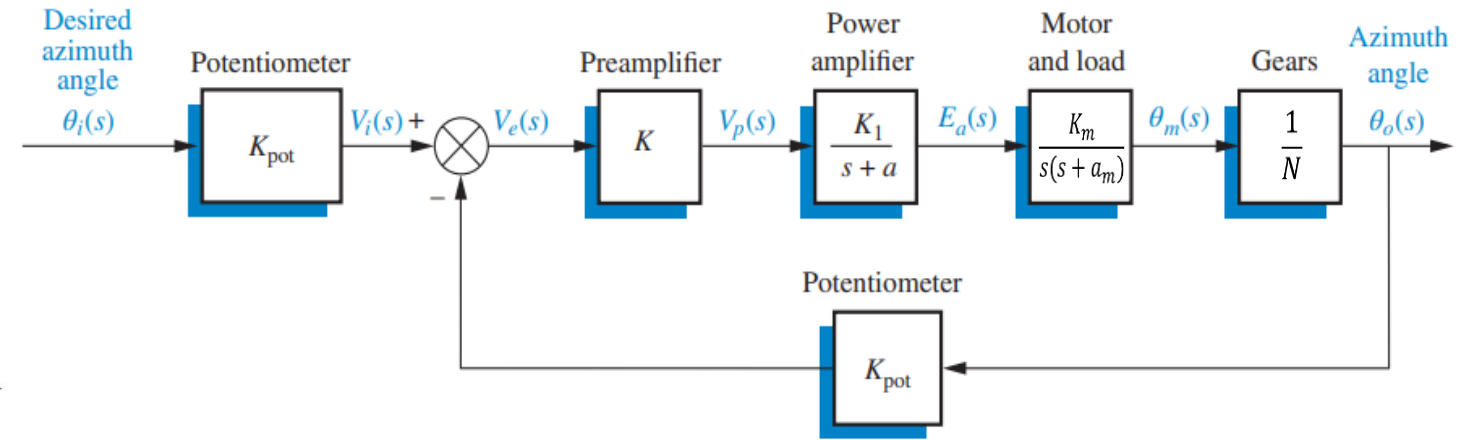
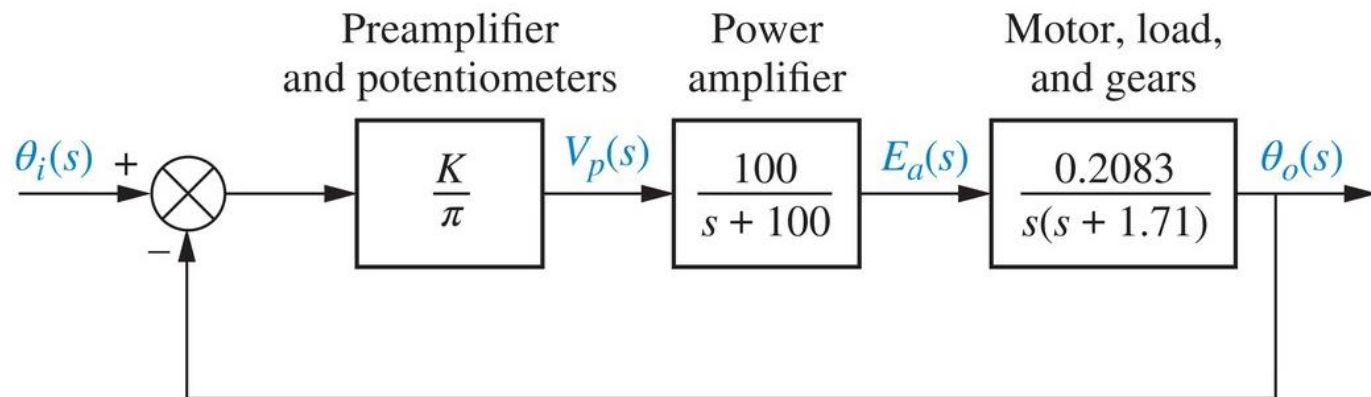
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□ Develop a Mathematical Model

- The results are summarized in the following block diagram.



- The block diagram can be simplified as,



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□ System Poles & Transient Response

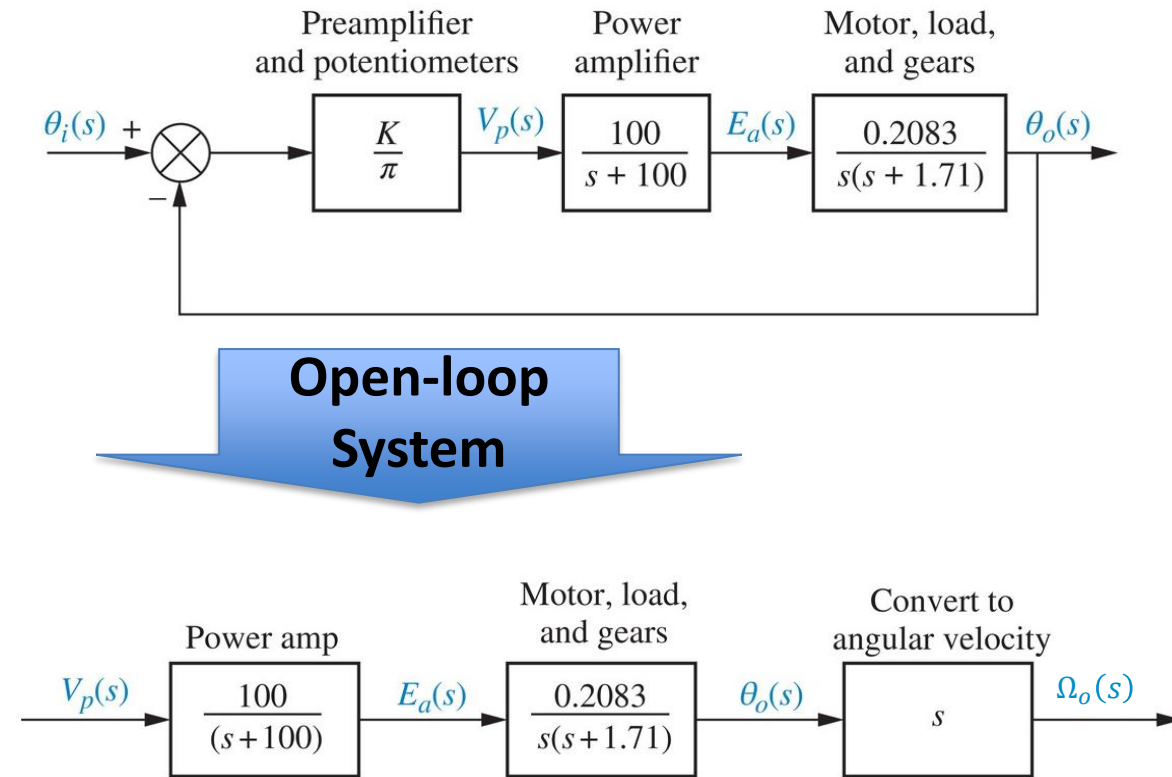
- We know the importance of the **poles** of a system in determining the **transient response**.
- The **goal** is to analyze the **open-loop system** for **angular velocity** output.
- The overall **open-loop transfer function** is:

$$\frac{\Omega_o(s)}{V_p(s)} = \frac{20.83}{(s + 100)(s + 1.71)}$$

- The **open-loop poles** are at: $s = -100$ and $s = -1.71$
- Since the system has two **negative real poles**, the system is **overdamped**.
- We can also find the **damping ratio** and the **undamped natural frequency**.

$$\frac{\Omega_o(s)}{V_p(s)} = \frac{20.83}{s^2 + 101.71s + 171}$$

$$\begin{cases} \omega_n^2 = 171 & \rightarrow \omega_n = \sqrt{171} = 13.08 \text{ rad/s} \\ 2\zeta\omega_n = 101.71 & \rightarrow \zeta = 3.89 > 1 \quad \text{Overdamped} \end{cases}$$



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□ System Poles & Transient Response

- We can derive the **open-loop angular velocity response** of the load to a **step-voltage input** to the power amplifier, using transfer functions.
- Multiply the open-loop transfer function by a step input $1/s$

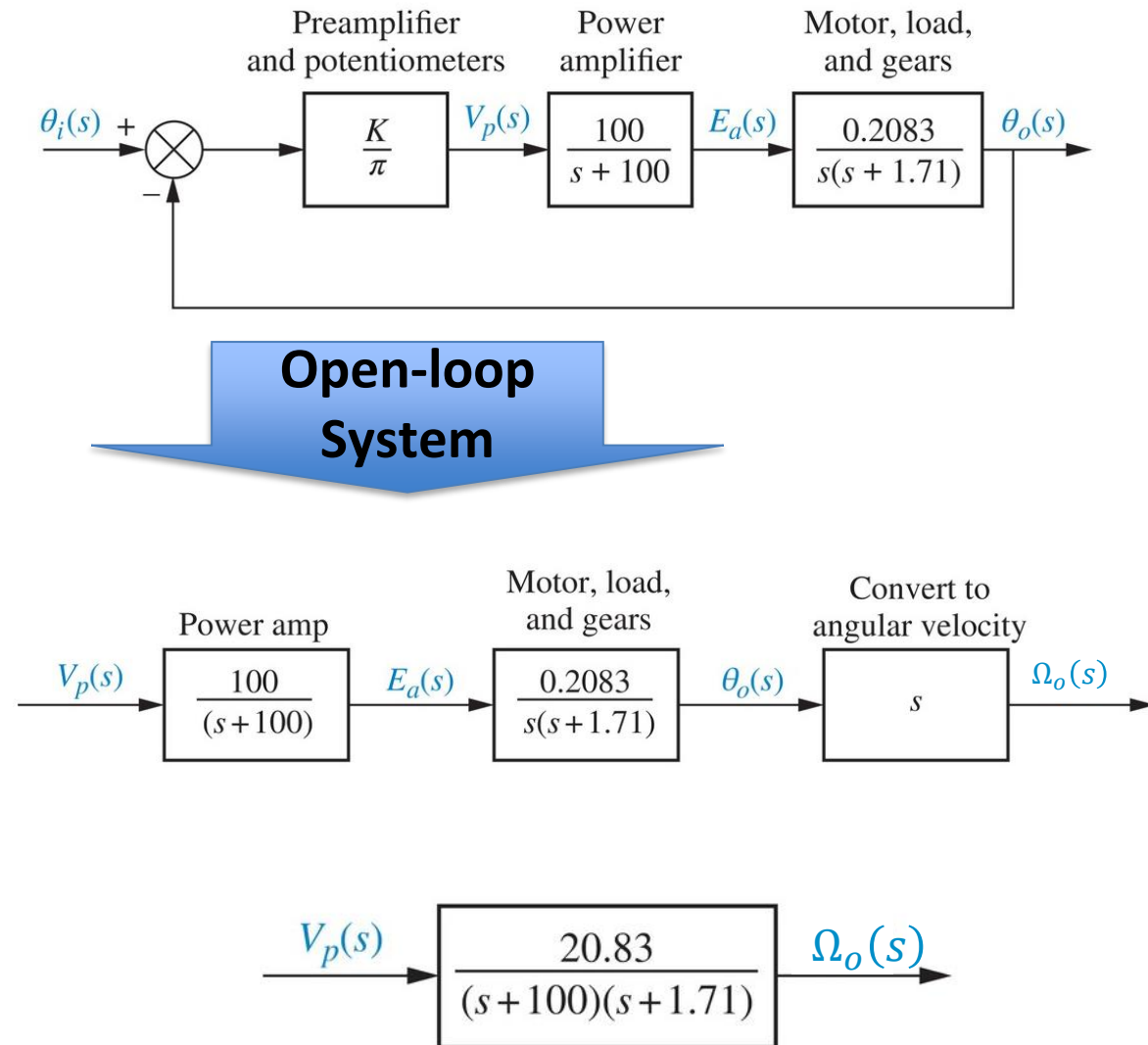
$$\Omega_o(s) = \frac{20.83}{s(s + 100)(s + 1.71)}$$

- Expanding into **partial fractions**, we have

$$\Omega_o(s) = \frac{0.122}{s} + \frac{2.12 \times 10^{-3}}{s + 100} - \frac{0.124}{s + 1.71}$$

- Transforming to the time domain yields the **step response**:

$$\omega_o(s) = 0.122 + (2.12 \times 10^{-3})e^{-100t} - 0.124e^{-1.71t}$$



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□ State-space Model

- We can derive the **state-space model** of the open-loop system from its transfer function model.

$$\frac{\Omega_o(s)}{V_p(s)} = \frac{20.83}{s^2 + 101.71s + 171}$$

- Cross-multiplying and taking the inverse Laplace transform with **zero initial conditions**, we have

$$s^2\Omega_o(s) + 101.71s\Omega_o(s) + 171\Omega_o(s) = 20.83V_p(s)$$

$$\ddot{\omega}_o(t) + 101.71\dot{\omega}_o(t) + 171\omega_o(t) = 20.83v_p(t)$$

- Define the **state variables** as below and find the **state equations** and **output equation**:

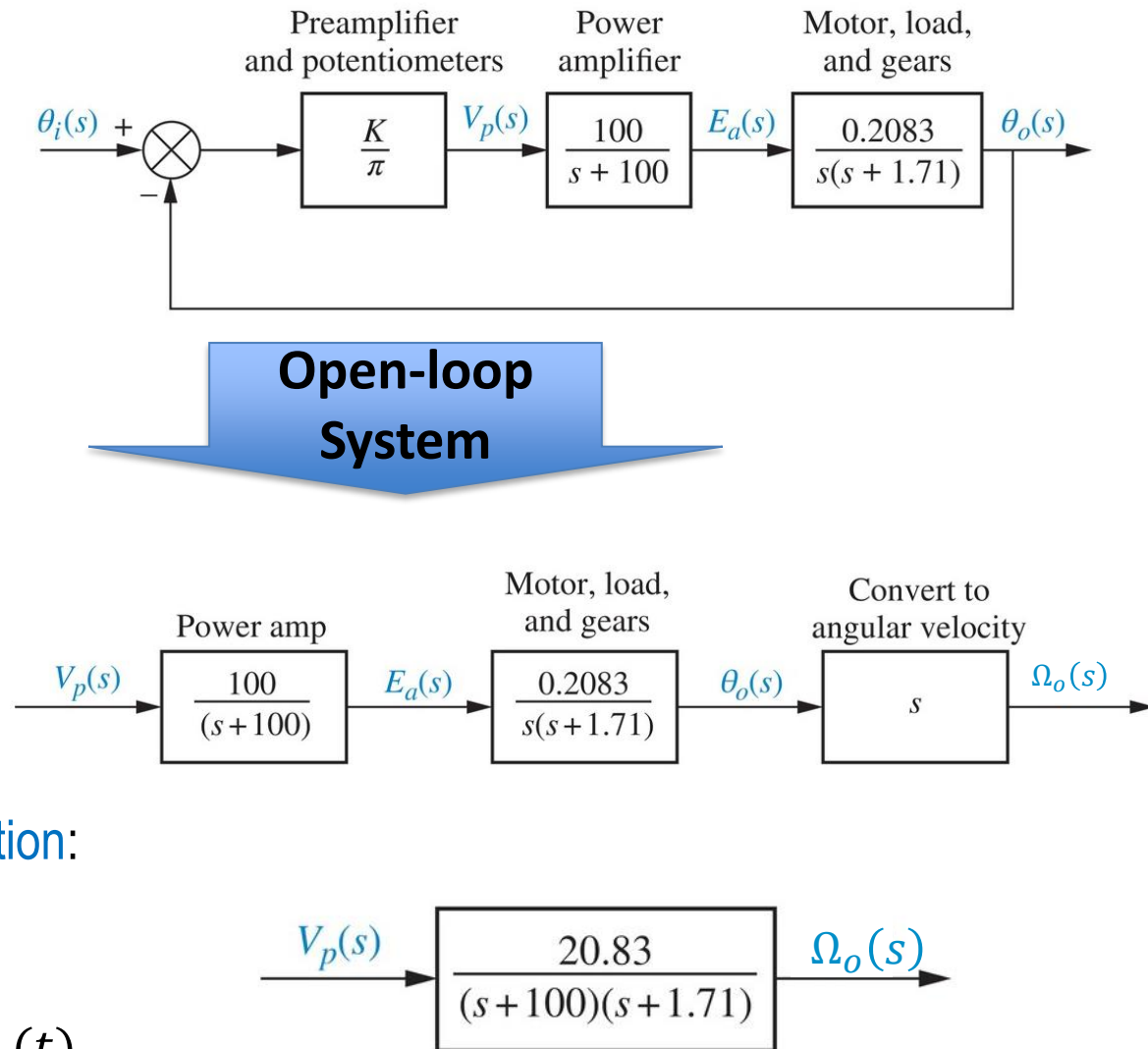
$$q_1 = \omega_o(t) \rightarrow \dot{q}_1 = \dot{\omega}_o(t) \rightarrow \dot{q}_1 = q_2 \quad \text{Eqn. (1)}$$

$$q_2 = \dot{\omega}_o(t) \rightarrow \dot{q}_2 = \ddot{\omega}_o(t) \rightarrow \dot{q}_2 = -101.71\dot{\omega}_o(t) - 171\omega_o(t) + 20.83v_p(t)$$

$$\dot{q}_2 = -101.71q_2 - 171q_1 + 20.83v_p(t) \quad \text{Eqn. (2)}$$

State Equations $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{q}_1 = q_2 \\ \dot{q}_2 = -101.71q_2 - 171q_1 + 20.83v_p(t) \end{array} \right.$

Output Equation $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y(t) = q_1 \end{array} \right.$



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□ State-space Model

- The **state-space model** of the open-loop system in the matrix-vector form is:

$$\text{State Equations} \begin{cases} \dot{q}_1 = q_2 \\ \dot{q}_2 = -101.71q_2 - 171q_1 + 20.83v_p(t) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Output Equation} \begin{cases} y(t) = q_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t)$$

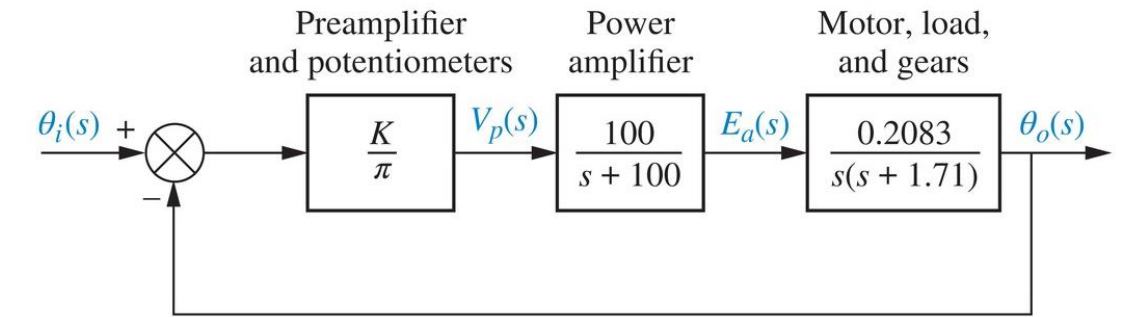
State Equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1(t) \\ \dot{q}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -171 & -101.71 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1(t) \\ q_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 20.83 \end{bmatrix} v_p(t)$$

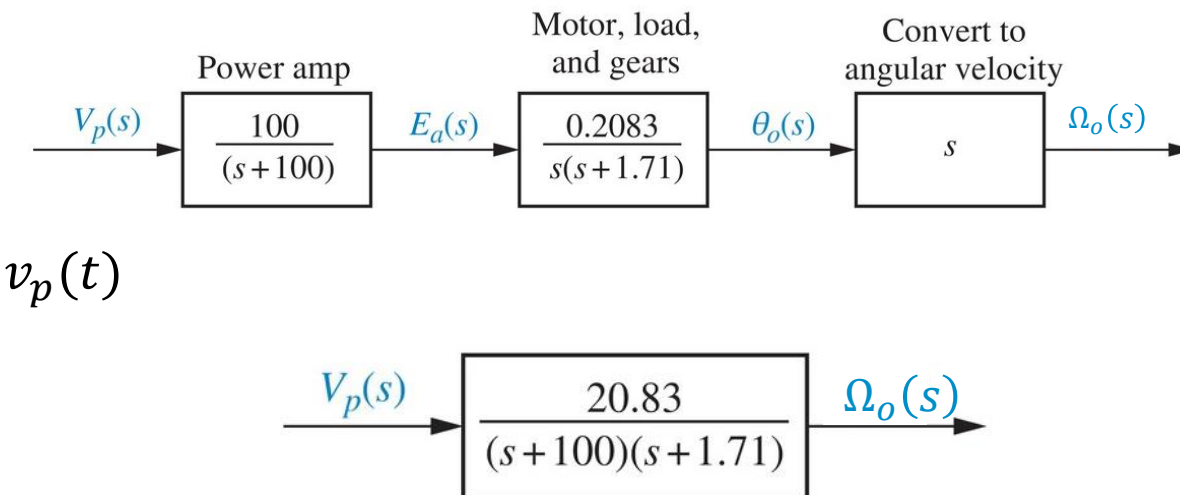
$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{q}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t)$$

Output Equation

$$y(t) = [1 \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} q_1(t) \\ q_2(t) \end{bmatrix} + [0]v_p(t)$$



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THANK YOU