

Lecture 2: Classical Control Theory & Design

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- Open- and closed-loop control laws
 - A.k.a. feedforward and feedback, respectively
 - Feedback accounts for disturbances/uncertainties to plant model

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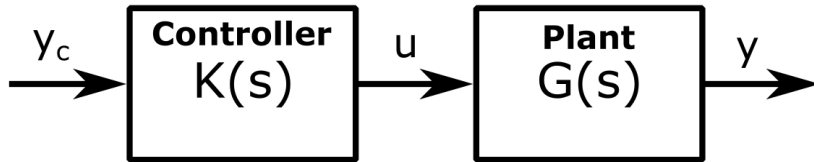
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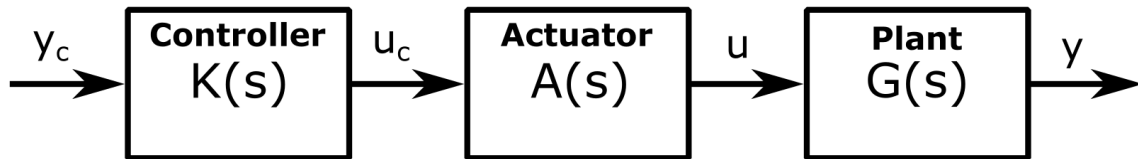
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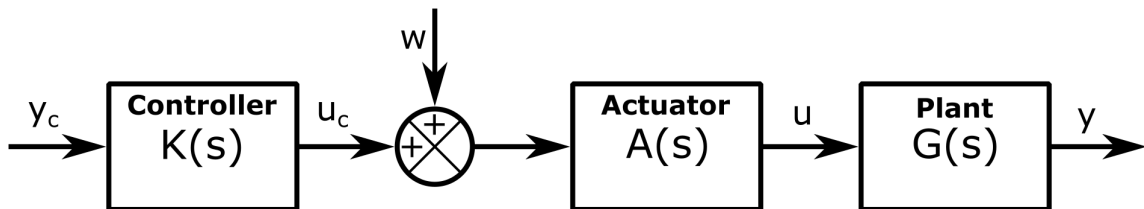
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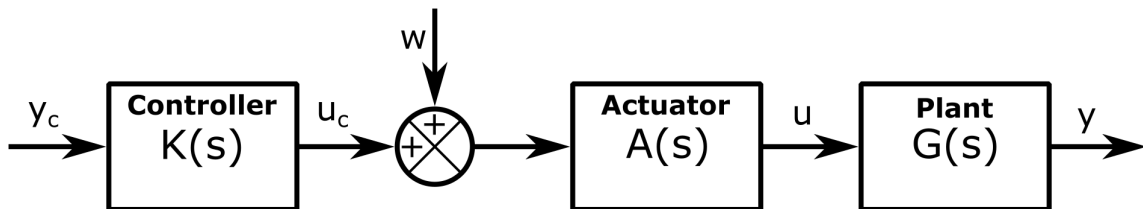
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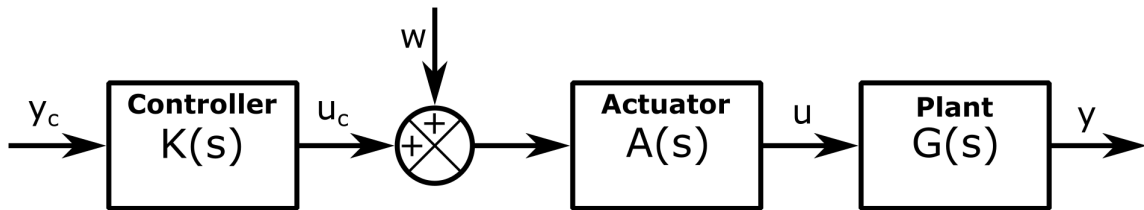
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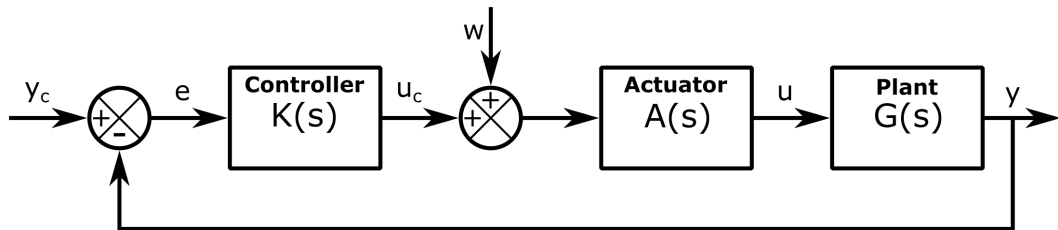
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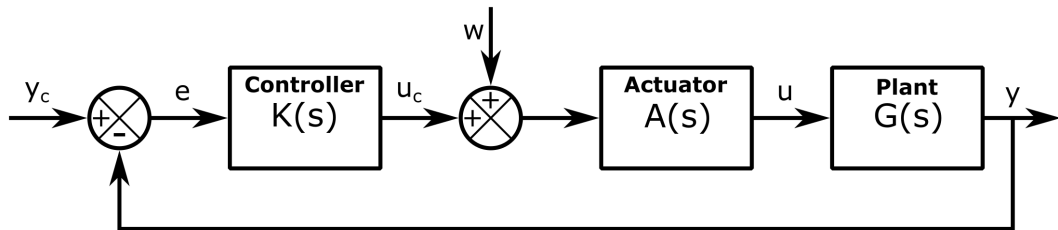
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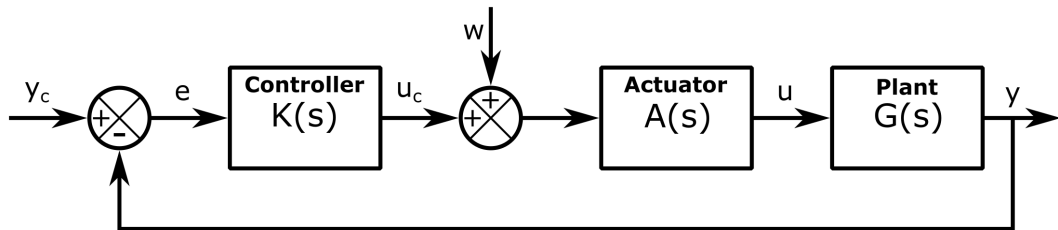
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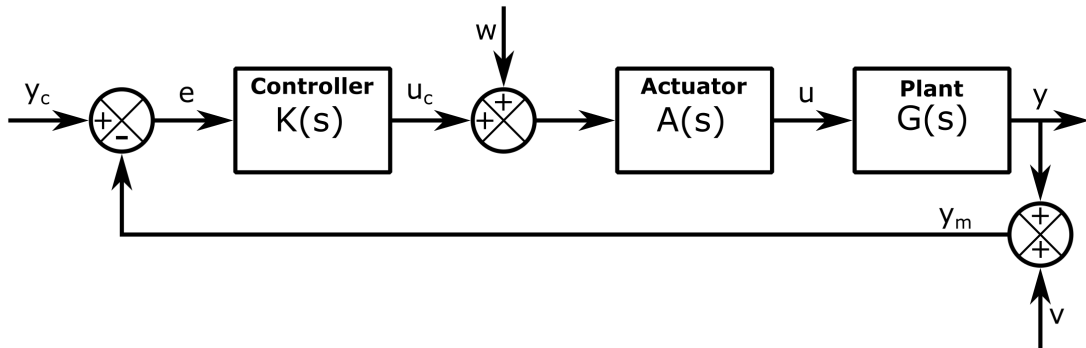
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 - Measures output of system using physical phenomena converted into a measured signal
 - Similar to input signal being actuated in real systems

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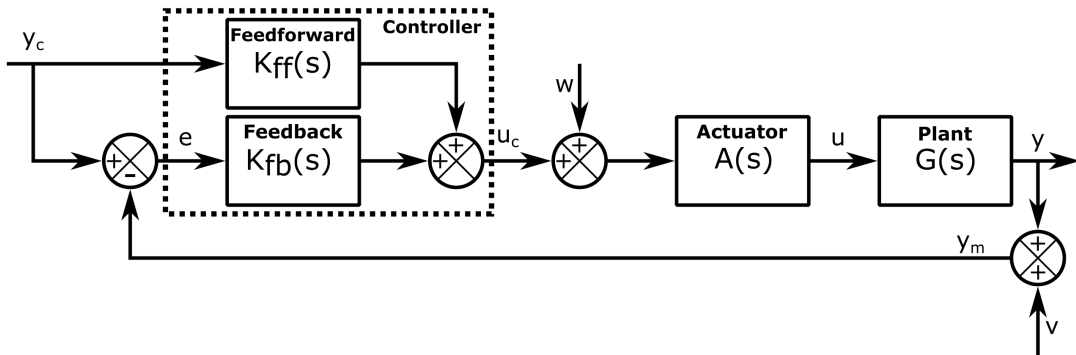
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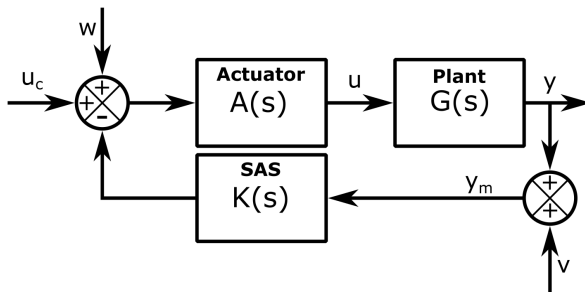


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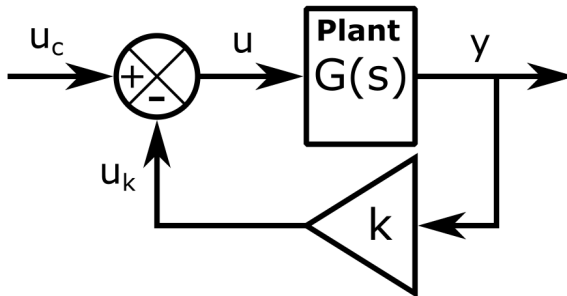


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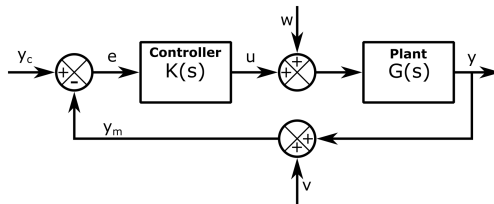
- Classical stability augmentation system design method: root locus method as **proportional SAS (P-SAS)**:

$$K_{P-SAS}(s) = \frac{u_k(s)}{y(s)} = k \quad (3)$$

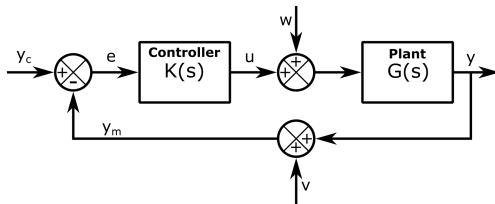
- $k > 0$: negative feedback gain



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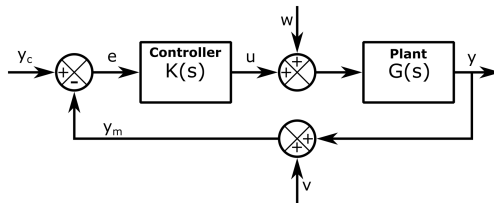


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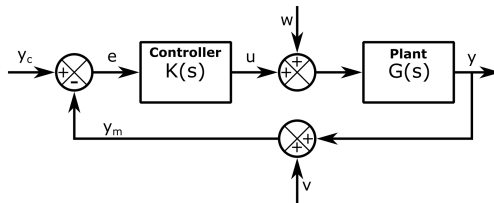
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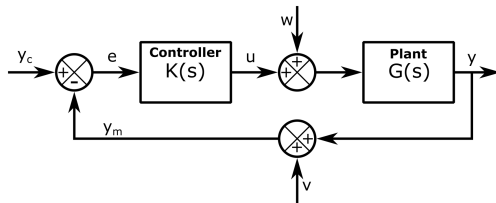
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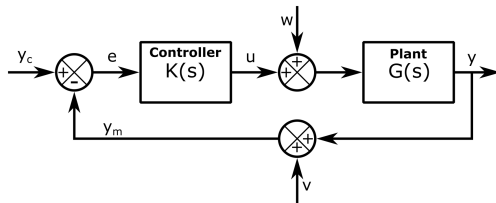
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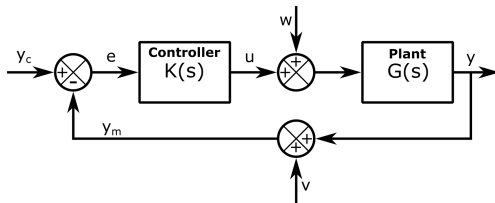
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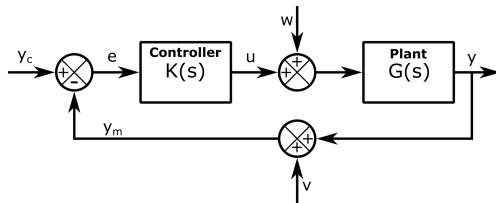
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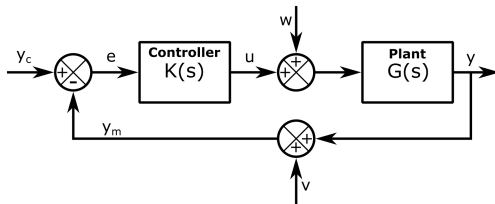
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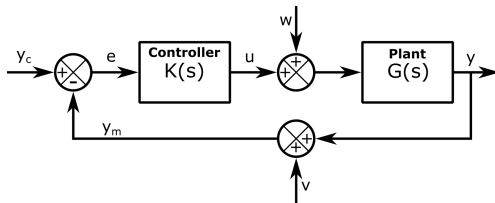
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 - Depends on number of zeros relative to number of poles
 - Behavior: **root locus plot** of system poles and zeros as k varies from 0 to ∞

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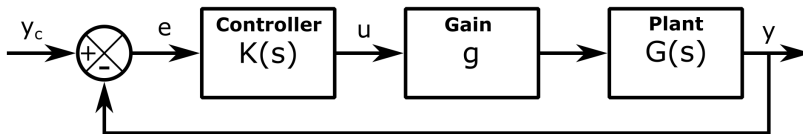
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- As $1 + L(s)$ still affected by pole-zero cancellations: **stable feedback control system** if and only if
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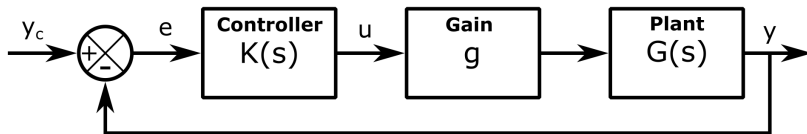
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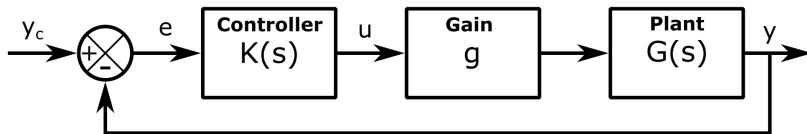
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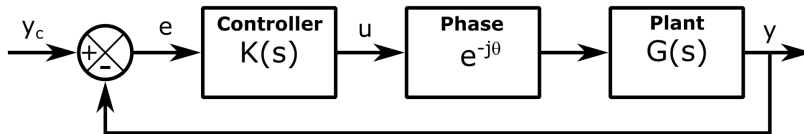
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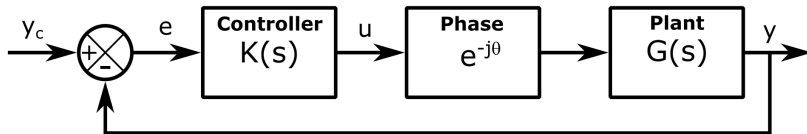
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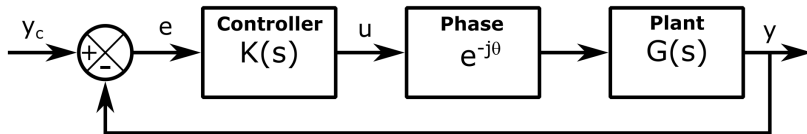
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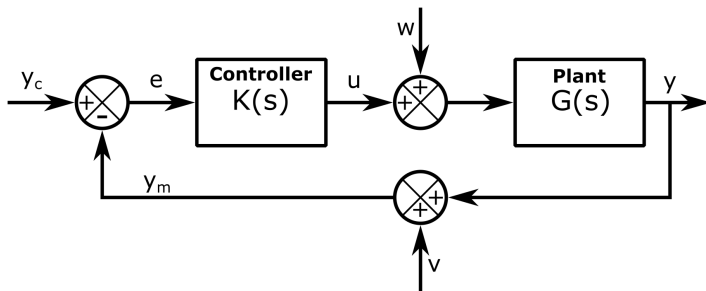
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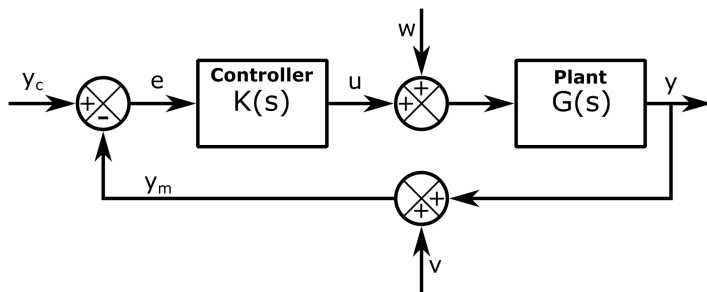
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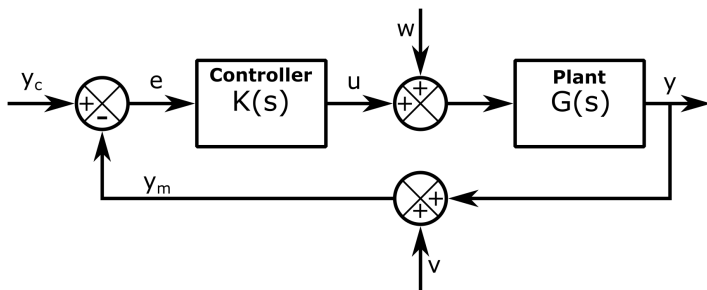


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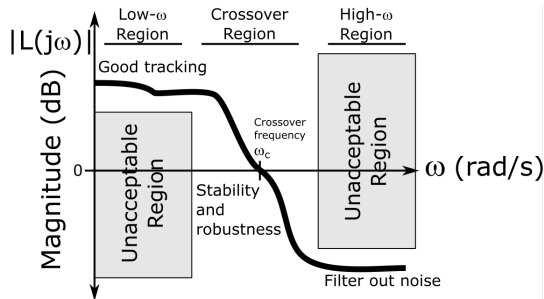
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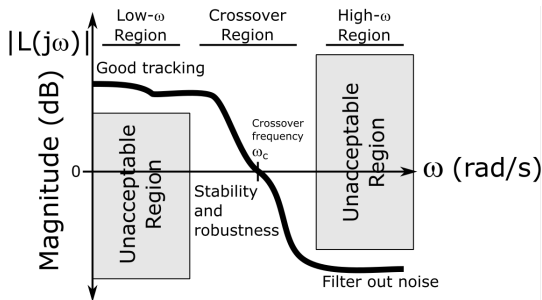
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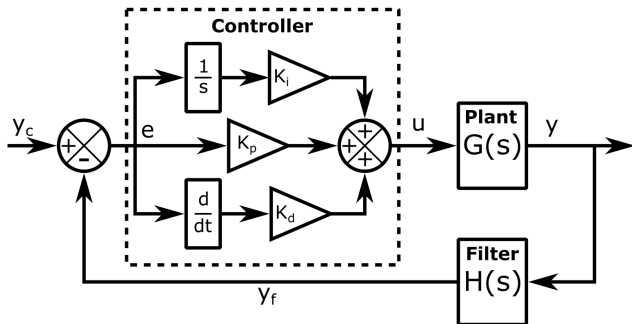
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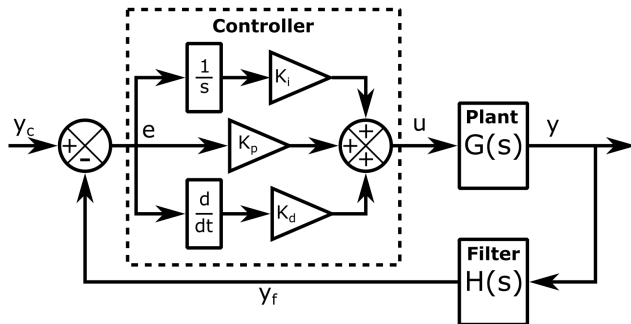
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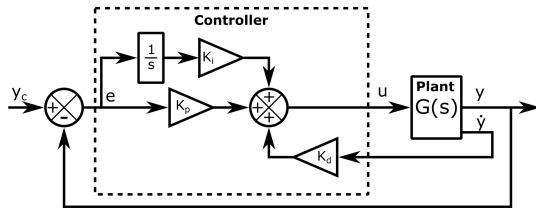
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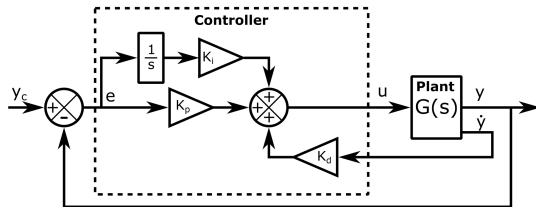
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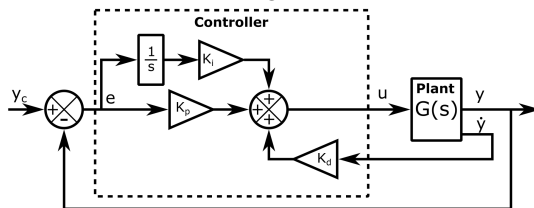
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