



# ELEC 341: Systems and Control

## Lecture 5

### Modeling of DC motor, linearization, and time delay

# Course roadmap

## Modeling

- ✓ Laplace transform
- ✓ Transfer function
- Models for systems
  - ✓ • Electrical
  - • Electromechanical
  - ✓ • Mechanical
- Linearization, delay

## Analysis

- Stability
  - Routh-Hurwitz
  - Nyquist
- Time response
  - Transient
  - Steady state
- Frequency response
  - Bode plot

## Design

- Design specs
- Root locus
- Frequency domain
- PID & Lead-lag
- Design examples

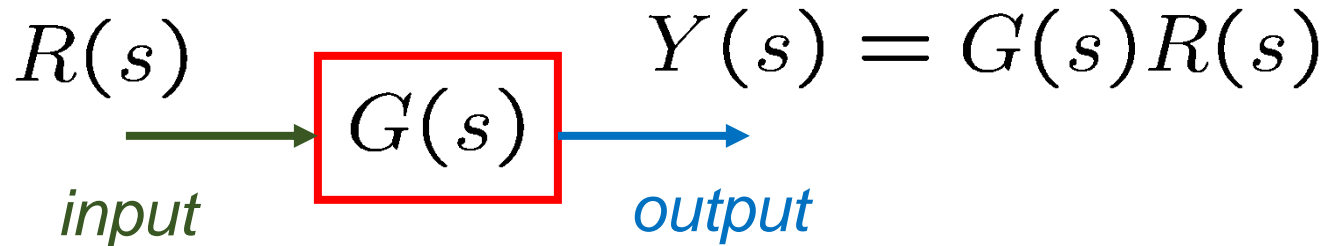
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# Transfer function (review)

- A **transfer function** is defined by

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

*Laplace transform of system output* (pointing to  $Y(s)$ )  
*Laplace transform of system input* (pointing to  $R(s)$ )



- Transfer function is a generalization of “gain” concept.

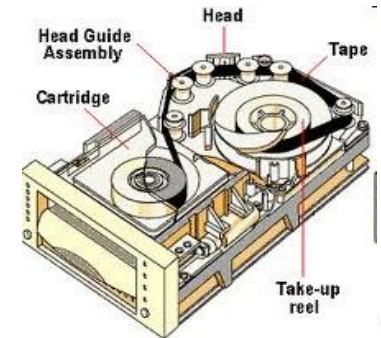
# DC motor

*An actuator, converting electrical energy into rotational mechanical energy.*

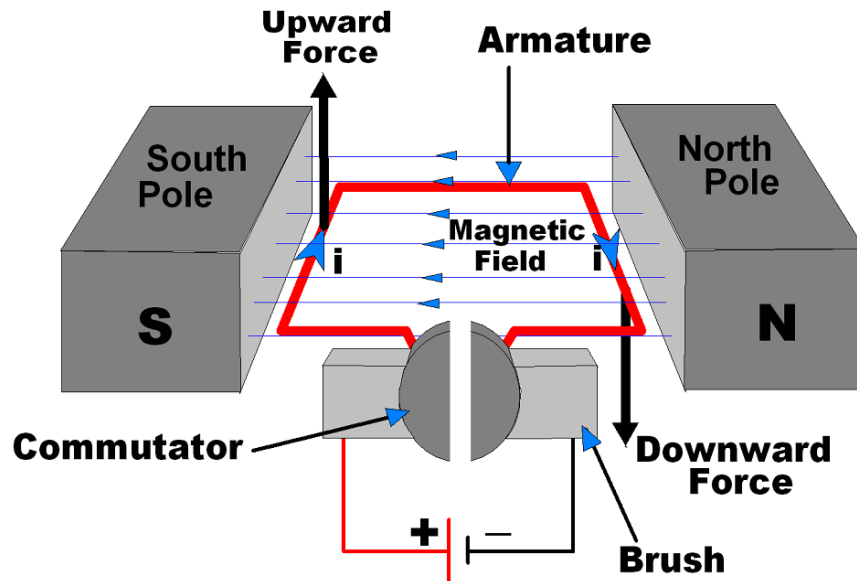


# Why DC motor?

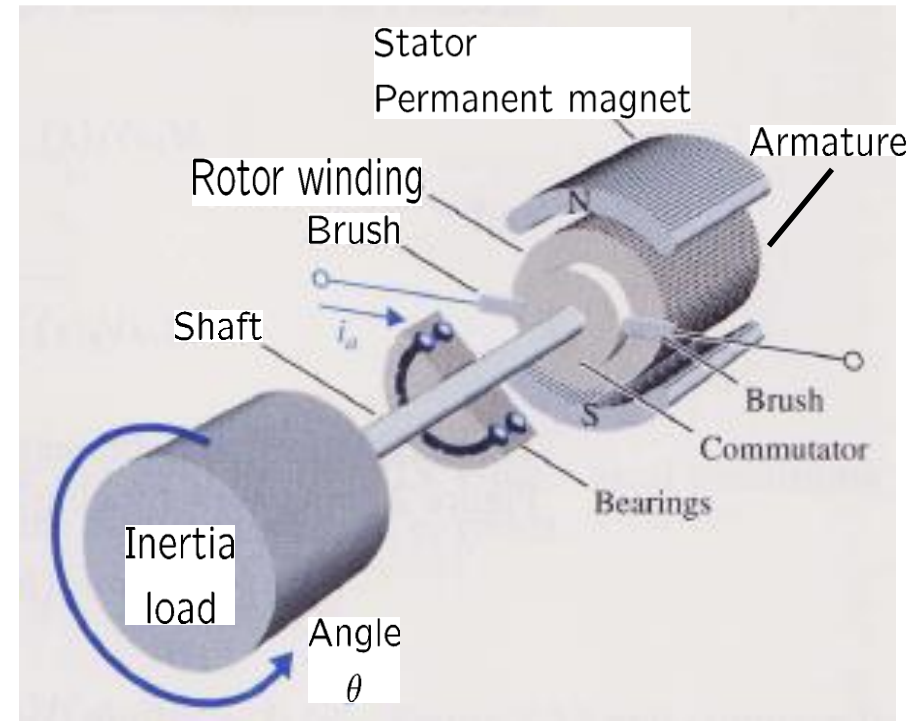
- Advantages
  - high torque
  - speed controllability
  - portability, etc.
- Widely used in control applications
  - Robots
  - Surgical tools
  - Tape drives
  - Printers
  - Machine tool industries
  - Radar tracking systems, etc.



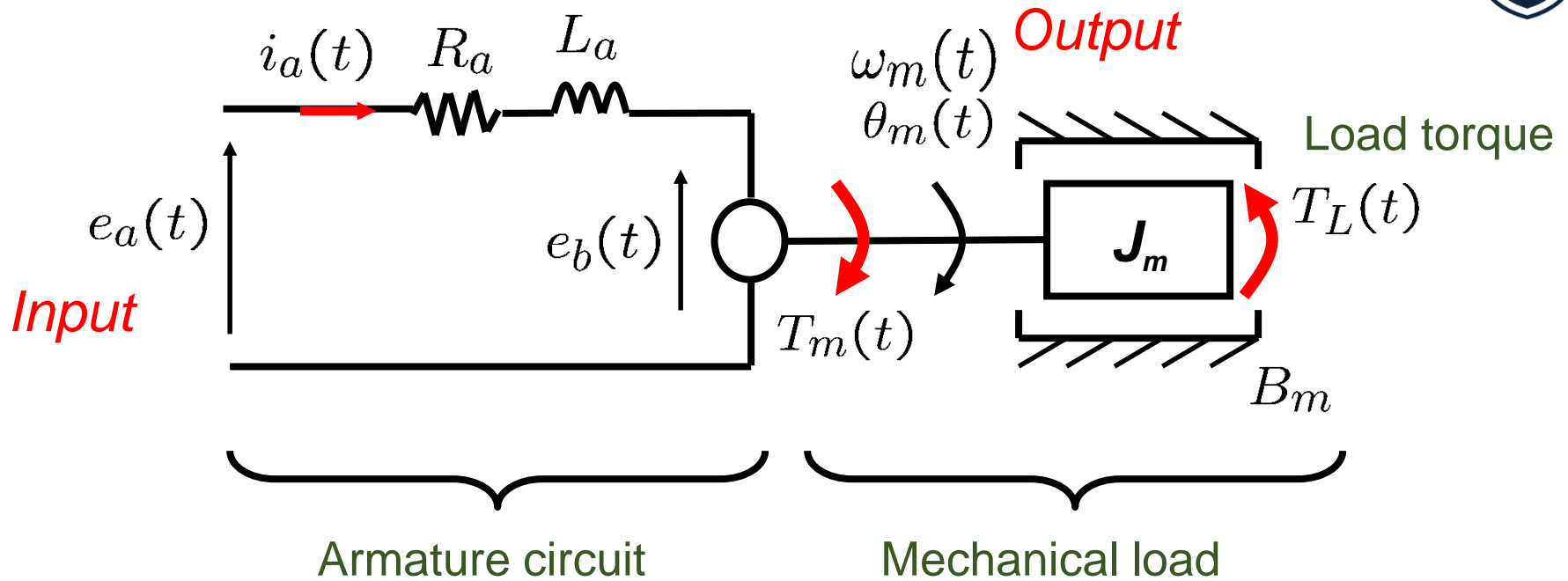
# How does DC motor work?



DC Motor Conceptual Diagram



# Model of DC motor



"a": armature

$e_a$  : applied voltage

$i_a$  : armature current

"b": back EMF

"m": mechanical

$\theta_m$  : angular position


$\omega_m$  : angular velocity


$J_m$  : total inertia

$B_m$  : viscous friction

# Modeling of DC motor: $t$ -domain

- Armature circuit 
$$e_a(t) = R_a i_a(t) + L_a \frac{di_a(t)}{dt} + e_b(t)$$
- Mechanical load 
$$J_m \dot{\omega}_m(t) = T_m(t) - B_m \omega_m(t) - T_L(t)$$

  
Driving torque

  
Load torque
- Connection between mechanical/electrical parts
  - Motor torque 
$$T_m(t) = K_i i_a(t)$$
  - Back EMF 
$$e_b(t) = K_b \omega_m(t)$$
- Angular position 
$$\omega_m(t) = \dot{\theta}_m(t)$$



# Modeling of DC motor: s-domain



- Armature circuit 
$$I_a(s) = \frac{1}{L_a s + R_a} (E_a(s) - E_b(s))$$
 ①

- Mechanical load 
$$\Omega_m(s) = \frac{1}{J_m s + B_m} (T_m(s) - T_L(s))$$
 ②

Note that  $\mathcal{L}\{\omega(t)\} = \Omega(s)$  and  $\mathcal{L}\{\theta(t)\} = \Theta(s)$ .

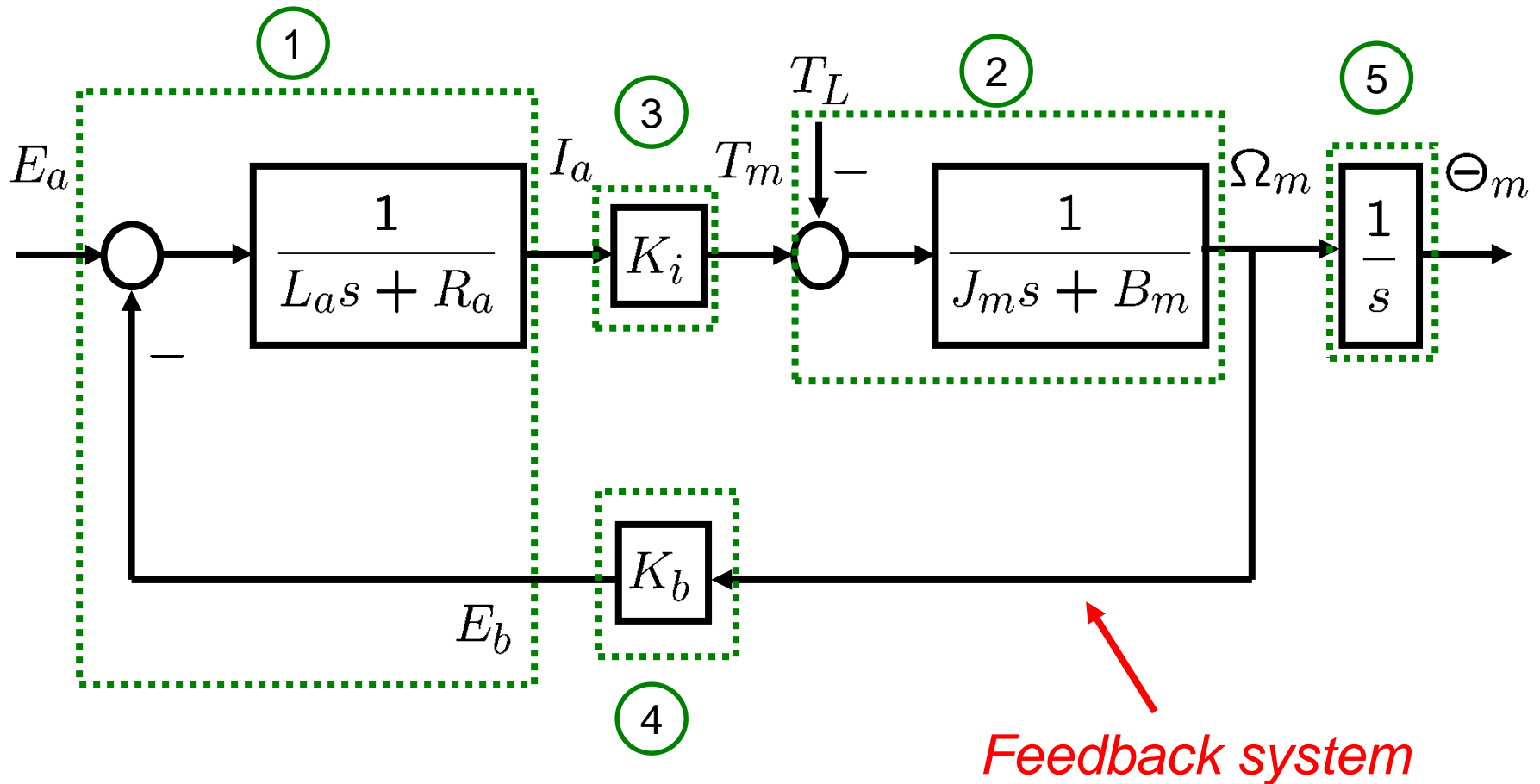
- Connection between mechanical/electrical parts

- Motor torque 
$$T_m(s) = K_i I_a(s)$$
 ③

- Back EMF 
$$E_b(s) = K_b \Omega_m(s)$$
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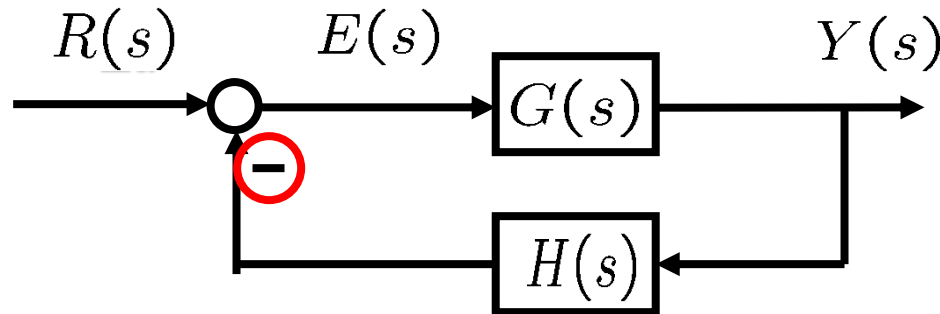
- Angular position 
$$\Theta_m(s) = \frac{1}{s} \Omega_m(s)$$
 ⑤

# DC motor: Block diagram



# Transfer function (TF) with feedback (Black's formula)

- **Negative** feedback system



$$E(s) = R(s) - H(s)G(s)E(s) \quad \Rightarrow \quad E(s) = \frac{1}{1 + G(s)H(s)} R(s)$$

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

**OLTF** = Open Loop Transfer Function

**CLTF** = Closed Loop Transfer Function

$$\left( \begin{array}{ll} G(s) & : \text{forward path TF} \\ G(s)H(s) & : \text{open-loop TF} \end{array} \right)$$



• **Black's Formula:** Closed-loop transfer function is given by:  $\frac{\text{Forward Gain}}{1 + \text{Loop Gain}} = \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)}$

# DC motor: Transfer functions

If  $T_L = 0$ , then 
$$\frac{\Omega_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{\frac{K_i}{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m)}}{1 + \frac{K_b K_i}{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m)}} = \frac{K_i}{\underbrace{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m) + K_b K_i}_{G_1(s)}}$$

If  $E_a = 0$ , then 
$$\frac{\Omega_m(s)}{T_L(s)} = -\frac{\frac{1}{J_m s + B_m}}{1 + \frac{K_b K_i}{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m)}} = -\frac{L_a s + R_a}{\underbrace{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m) + K_b K_i}_{G_2(s)}}$$

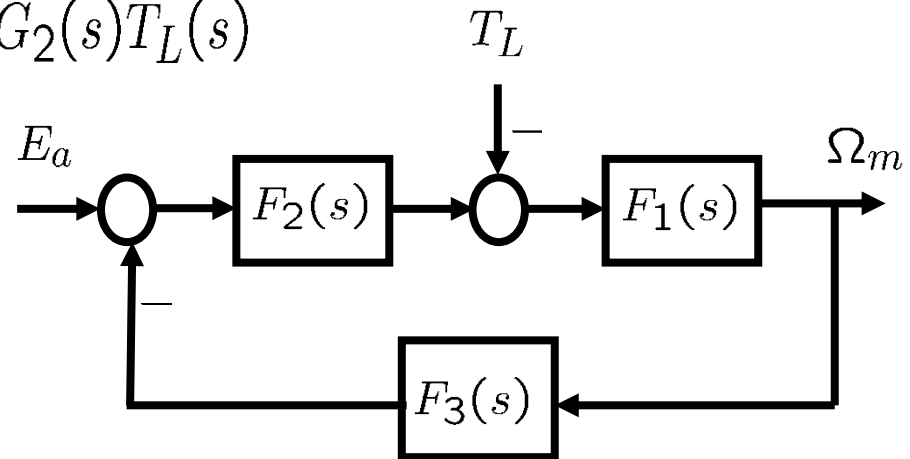
In general, when  $T_L \neq 0$  and  $E_a \neq 0$ , we can prove the following equation:


 $\Omega_m(s) = G_1(s)E_a(s) + G_2(s)T_L(s)$ 


$$\Theta_m(s) = \frac{1}{s}\Omega_m(s) = \frac{1}{s}(G_1(s)E_a(s) + G_2(s)T_L(s))$$

# DC motor: Derivation of TFs

- Why  $\Omega_m(s) = G_1(s)E_a(s) + G_2(s)T_L(s)$



$$\Omega_m(s) = F_1(s) [-T_L(s) + F_2(s) \{E_a(s) - F_3(s)\Omega_m(s)\}]$$

$$\rightarrow \{1 + F_1(s)F_2(s)F_3(s)\} \Omega_m(s) = F_1(s) \{-T_L(s) + F_2(s)E_a(s)\}$$

$$\rightarrow \Omega_m(s) = \frac{F_1(s)F_2(s)}{1 + F_1(s)F_2(s)F_3(s)} E_a(s) - \frac{F_1(s)}{1 + F_1(s)F_2(s)F_3(s)} T_L(s)$$

# DC motor: TFs (cont'd)

- Note:** For DC motors,  $L_a \ll R_a$ . Then, an approximated TF is obtained by setting  $L_a = 0$ .

$$\frac{\Omega_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{K_i}{(L_a s + R_a)(J_m s + B_m) + K_b K_i} \approx \frac{K_i}{R_a(J_m s + B_m) + K_b K_i}$$

$$= \frac{K}{Ts + 1} \quad \left( K = \frac{K_i}{R_a B_m + K_b K_i}, T = \frac{R_a J_m}{R_a B_m + K_b K_i} \right)$$

*2<sup>nd</sup> order system*  $\longrightarrow$  *1<sup>st</sup> order system*

$$\Theta_m(s) = \frac{1}{s} \Omega_m(s) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{\Theta_m(s)}{E_a(s)} = \frac{K}{s(Ts + 1)}}$$

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# Linear system

- A linear system satisfies the *Principle of Superposition*



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} r_1(t) \rightarrow y_1(t) \\ r_2(t) \rightarrow y_2(t) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha_1 r_1(t) + \alpha_2 r_2(t) \rightarrow \alpha_1 y_1(t) + \alpha_2 y_2(t)$$
$$\forall \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R} \quad (' \forall ' \text{ means 'for all'})$$

A nonlinear system does not satisfy the principle of superposition.



# Why linearization?

- Real systems are inherently nonlinear. (Linear systems do not exist!) Ex.  $f(t) = K.x(t)$ ,  $v(t) = R.i(t)$
- TF models are only for linear systems.
- Many control analysis/design techniques are available for linear systems.
- Nonlinear systems are difficult to deal with mathematically.
- Often we linearize nonlinear systems before analysis and design. How?

# Linearization


## Linear systems

- Easier to understand and obtain solutions
- Linear ordinary differential equations (ODEs),
  - Homogeneous solution and particular solution
  - Transient solution and steady state solution
  - Solution caused by initial values, and forced solution
- Add many simple solutions to get more complex ones (use superposition!)
- Easy to check the Stability (Laplace Transform)
- We will look at a systematic method called **Generalized Method for Linearization** for handling these types of control problems.

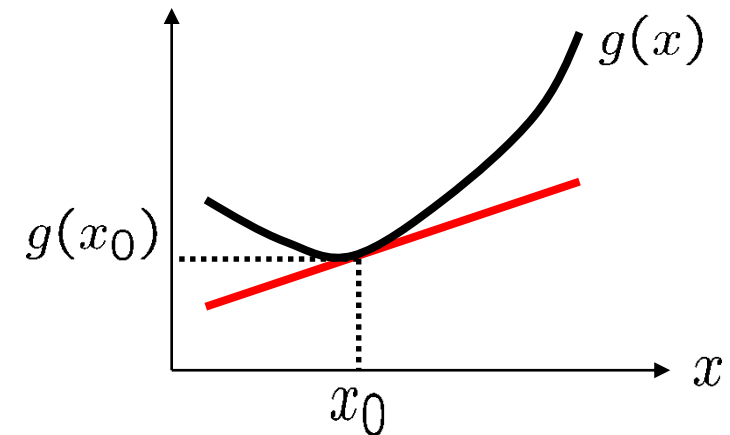
# Taylor series expansion

- **Taylor series expansion** of a smooth (i.e., infinitely differentiable) function  $g(x)$  around  $x = x_0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) = & \underbrace{g(x_0) + \left. \frac{dg(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} (x - x_0)}_{\text{red line}} \\
 & \underbrace{+ \left. \frac{d^2g(x)}{dx^2} \right|_{x=x_0} \frac{(x - x_0)^2}{2} + \dots}_{\text{green line}} \\
 & (\approx 0 \text{ if } x \approx x_0)
 \end{aligned}$$



$$g(x) \approx g(x_0) + \left. \frac{dg(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} (x - x_0)$$

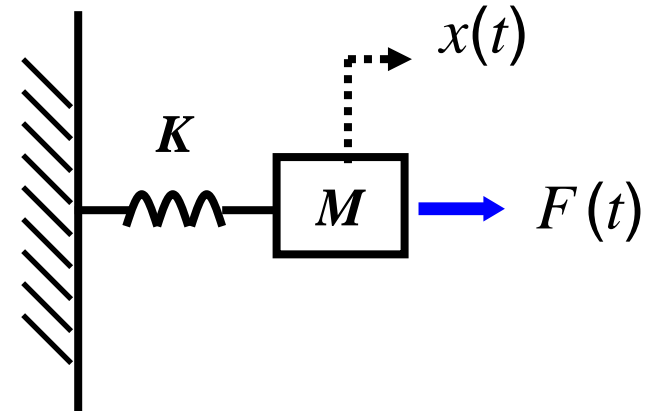


# Example 1: Nonlinear spring

- Linear spring

$$M\ddot{x}(t) = F(t) - Kx(t)$$

→  $\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + K}$

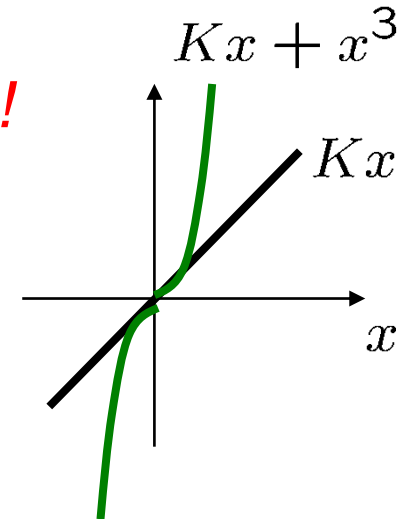


- Example of nonlinear spring

*Nonlinear term!*

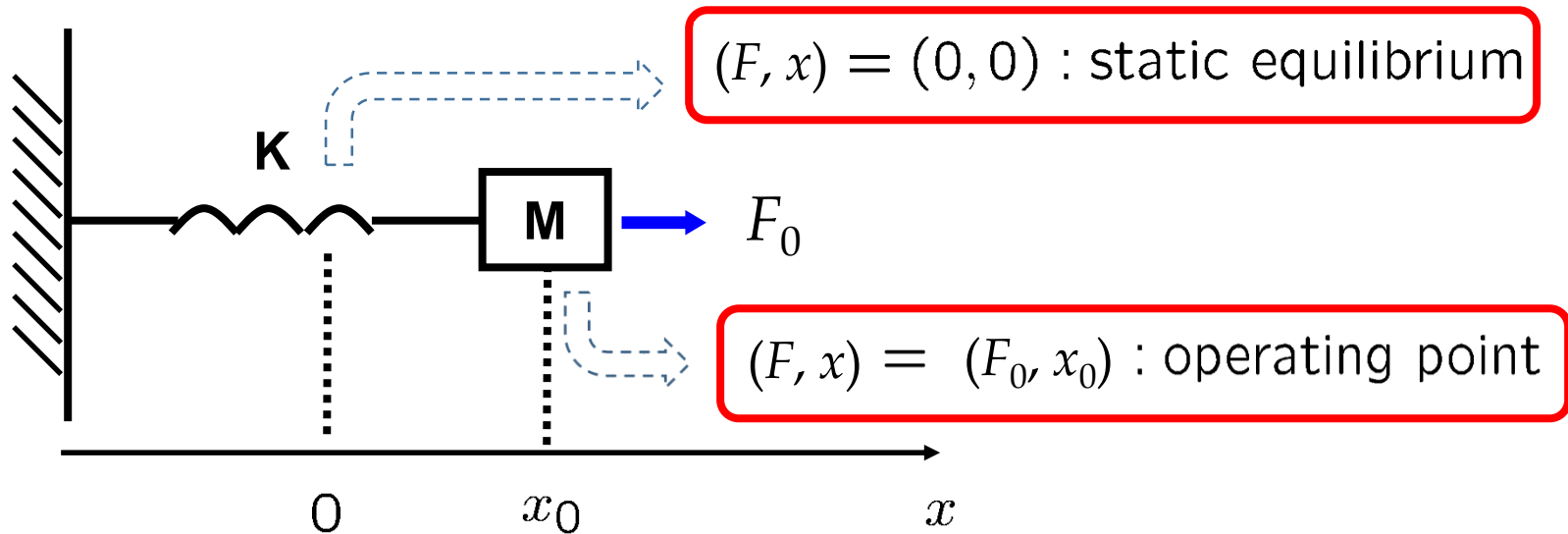
$$M\ddot{x}(t) = F(t) - Kx(t) - \underline{x^3(t)}$$

*We cannot represent  $\mathcal{L}\{x^3(t)\}$  in terms of  $X(s)$ .*



## Example 1 (cont'd): Specifying an operating point

- **Operating point:** The point around which the system is assumed to be operating.



- We linearize the nonlinear system around a specific operating point.

## Example 1 (cont'd): Linearization Procedure

**Step 1:** Identify input and output variables:

$$\begin{cases} F(t) = \text{input} \\ x(t) = \text{output} \end{cases}$$

**Step 2:** Express non-linear ODE in the form of  $f(\ddot{x}, \dot{x}, x, F) = 0$ .

**Step 3:** Find the Operating Point (OP) of  $(x_0, F_0)$ . That is, find  $F_0$  at the given  $x_0$ .

**Step 4:** Write the Taylor series expansion at  $(x_0, F_0)$ , i.e., at the OP.

**Step 5:** Change variables to perturbation variables in the Taylor series expansion.

**Step 6:** Re-write the Taylor series expansion as a linear ODE.

The linearized model is valid only around the specified operating point!

# Example 1 (cont'd)

Our aim is to linearize the ODE at  $x = x_0$ .

## Step 1:

Identify input and output variables:

$$\begin{cases} F(t) = \text{input} \\ x(t) = \text{output} \end{cases}$$

## Step 2:

Express non-linear ODE in the form of  $f(\ddot{x}, \dot{x}, x, F) = 0$ , (in this case,  $f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = 0$ ):

$$M\ddot{x}(t) = F(t) - K \cdot x(t) - x^3(t) \quad \longrightarrow \quad f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = M\ddot{x} + K \cdot x + x^3 - F(t) = 0$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad M\ddot{x} + K \cdot x + x^3 - F(t) = 0$$

## Step 3:

Find the operating point  $(x_0, F_0)$ . That is, find  $F_0$ , which is the operating value of  $F$  at  $x = x_0$ :

$$x(t) = x_0, \quad \dot{x}(t) = 0, \quad \ddot{x}(t) = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad M\cancel{\ddot{x}}_0 + K \cdot x_0 + x_0^3 - F_0 = 0$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad F_0 = K \cdot x_0 + x_0^3$$

## Example 1 (cont'd)

### Step 4:

Write the Taylor series expansion at  $(x_0, F_0)$ , i.e., at the Operating Point (OP):

$$f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = f(\ddot{x}_0, x_0, F_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{x}} \right|_{OP} (\ddot{x} - \ddot{x}_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{OP} (x - x_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial F} \right|_{OP} (F - F_0)$$

### Step 5:

Change variables to perturbation variables in the Taylor series expansion:

$$\begin{cases} \delta x = x - x_0 \\ \delta F = F - F_0 \\ \delta \ddot{x} = \ddot{x} - \ddot{x}_0 \end{cases}$$

$$f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = f(\ddot{x}, x_0, F_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{x}} \right|_{OP} \delta \ddot{x} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{OP} \delta x + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial F} \right|_{OP} \delta F$$



## Example 1 (cont'd)

### Step 6:

Re-write the Taylor series expansion as a linear ODE:

$$f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = M\ddot{x} + K \cdot x + x^3 - F(t) \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{x}} \right|_{OP} = M \quad \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{OP} = K + 3x_0^2 = K^* \quad \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial F} \right|_{OP} = -1 \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$f(\ddot{x}, x, F) = \overset{0}{f(\ddot{x}_0, x_0, F_0)} + M\delta\ddot{x} + K^* \cdot \delta x + (-1)\delta F$$

We know that  $f(\ddot{x}, x, F)$  is also equal to 0:  $\longrightarrow$

$$M\delta\ddot{x} + K^* \cdot \delta x = \delta F$$

*Linear!*

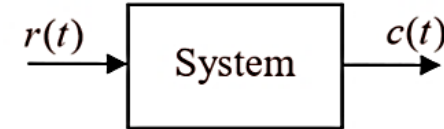
Note that if we take the Laplace transform of the above linear ODE, we obtain:

$$\frac{\tilde{X}(s)}{\tilde{F}(s)} = \frac{1}{Ms^2 + K^*}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}\{\delta x(t)\} = \tilde{X}(s)$  and  $\mathcal{L}\{\delta F(t)\} = \tilde{F}(s)$ .

# Linearization (General Method)

## The Six Steps of Linearization



- 1) Identify the system model's input  $r(t)$  and output  $c(t)$ .
- 2) Express Model in the form  $f(r, \dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \dots, c, \dot{c}, \ddot{c}, \dots) = 0$ .
- 3) Define an equilibrium operating point where all input and output derivatives are zero ( $\dot{r} = \ddot{r} = \dots = \dot{c} = \ddot{c} = \dots = 0$ ) and the operating point  $(r_o, c_o)$  satisfies the original model such that  $f(r, \dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \dots, c, \dot{c}, \ddot{c}, \dots) = f(r_o, 0, 0, \dots, c_o, 0, 0, \dots) = 0$  at the input/output values  $(r, c) = (r_o, c_o)$ .
- 4) Perform a Taylor Series expansion about the operating point  $(r_o, c_o)$  retaining only 1<sup>st</sup> derivative terms.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(r, \dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \dots, c, \dot{c}, \ddot{c}, \dots) &\cong f(r_o, 0, 0, \dots, c_o, 0, 0, \dots) \\
 &+ \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (r - r_o) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{r}} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (\dot{r} - \dot{r}_o) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{r}} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (\ddot{r} - \ddot{r}_o) + \dots \\
 &+ \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (c - c_o) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{c}} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (\dot{c} - \dot{c}_o) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{c}} \right|_{(r_o, c_o)} (\ddot{c} - \ddot{c}_o) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

# Linearization (General Method)

- 5) Change variables from original input  $r(t)$  and output  $c(t)$  to deviations about the defined operating point. These new variables are the differences required in the Taylor expansion.

**Note:**

"~" is the same as " $\delta$ "

$$\tilde{r} = (r - r_o), \dot{\tilde{r}} = (\dot{r} - \dot{r}_o), \ddot{\tilde{r}} = (\ddot{r} - \ddot{r}_o), \text{ etc.}$$

$$\tilde{c} = (c - c_o), \dot{\tilde{c}} = (\dot{c} - \dot{c}_o), \ddot{\tilde{c}} = (\ddot{c} - \ddot{c}_o), \text{ etc.}$$

with  $f(r_o, 0, 0, \dots, c_o, 0, 0, \dots) = 0$  from step 3 yields

$$\begin{aligned} f(\tilde{r}, \dot{\tilde{r}}, \ddot{\tilde{r}}, \dots, \tilde{c}, \dot{\tilde{c}}, \ddot{\tilde{c}}, \dots) \cong & 0 + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \tilde{r} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{r}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \dot{\tilde{r}} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{r}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \ddot{\tilde{r}} + \dots \\ & + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \tilde{c} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{c}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \dot{\tilde{c}} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{c}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \ddot{\tilde{c}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Note: Each of the terms in square brackets evaluates as a constant.

- 6) Rewrite the function defined in 5) in the standard ordinary differential equation form.

$$\left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{c}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \ddot{\tilde{c}} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{c}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \dot{\tilde{c}} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \tilde{c} = - \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ddot{r}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \ddot{\tilde{r}} - \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{r}} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \dot{\tilde{r}} - \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right]_{(r_o, c_o)} \tilde{r}$$

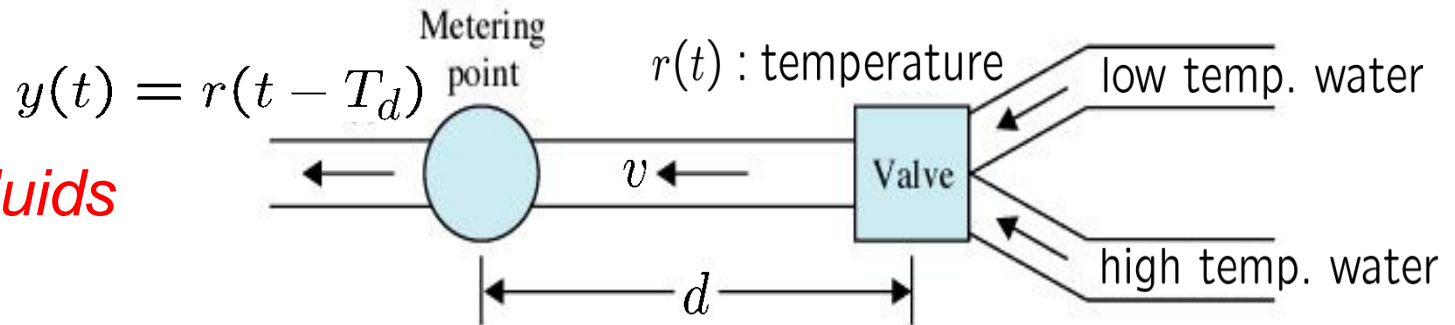
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## The Six Linearization Steps Summarized:

- 1) Identify input and output variables.
- 2) Express non-linear differential equation in the form  $f(r, \dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \dots, c, \dot{c}, \ddot{c}, \dots) = 0$
- 3) Find the equilibrium operating point  $(r, c) = (r_o, c_o)$ , i.e., find  $r_o$  at the given  $c_o$ .
- 4) Perform Taylor expansion neglect derivatives above first order.
- 5) Change variables:  $\tilde{r} = (r - r_o)$ ,  $\dot{\tilde{r}} = (\dot{r} - \dot{r}_o)$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\tilde{c} = (c - c_o)$ ,  $\dot{\tilde{c}} = (\dot{c} - \dot{c}_o)$ ,  $\dots$
- 6) Rewrite result as a linear ODE in standard form.

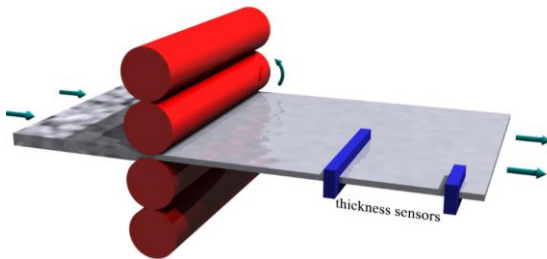
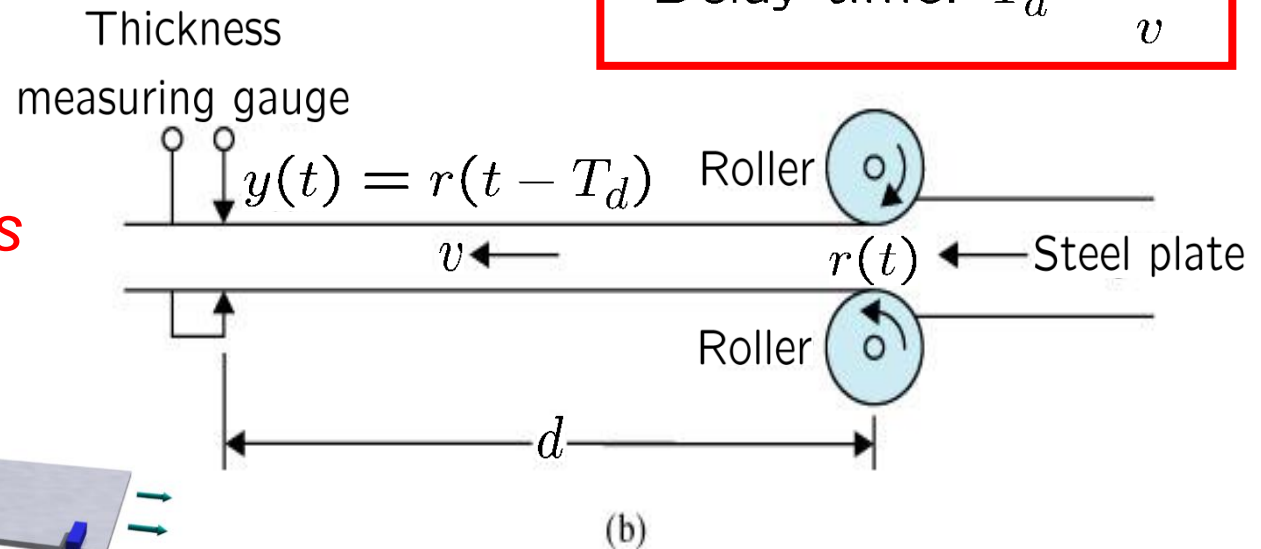
# Time-delay example

*Mixing fluids*



$$\text{Delay time: } T_d = \frac{d}{v}$$

*Steel thickness control*



# Time-delay transfer function

- TF derivation

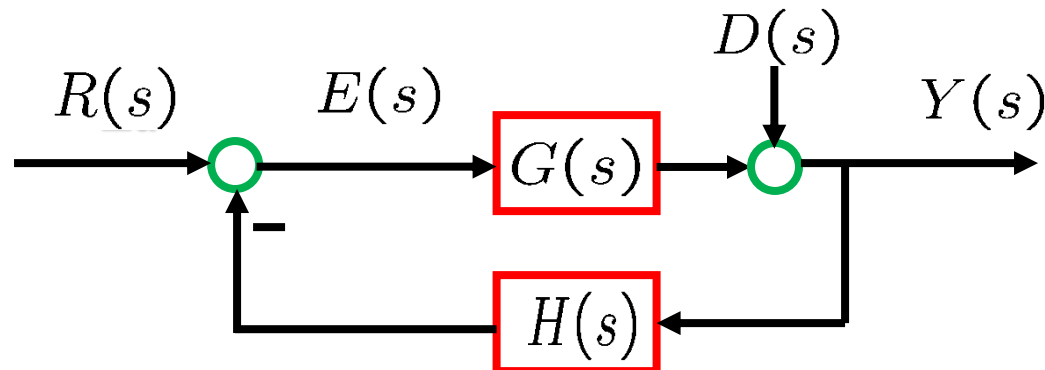
$$y(t) = r(t - T_d) \quad (T_d: \text{delay time})$$

$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow Y(s) = e^{-T_d s} R(s) \rightarrow \frac{Y(s)}{R(s)} = e^{-T_d s}$$

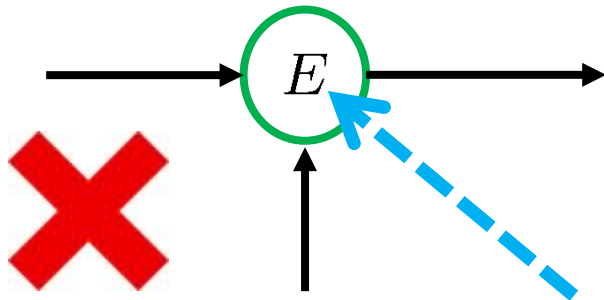
- The more the time delay is, the more difficult to control! (You will learn this fact theoretically later.)
- Imagine that you are controlling the temperature of your shower with a very long hose. You will either get **burned** or **frozen**!

# Block diagram

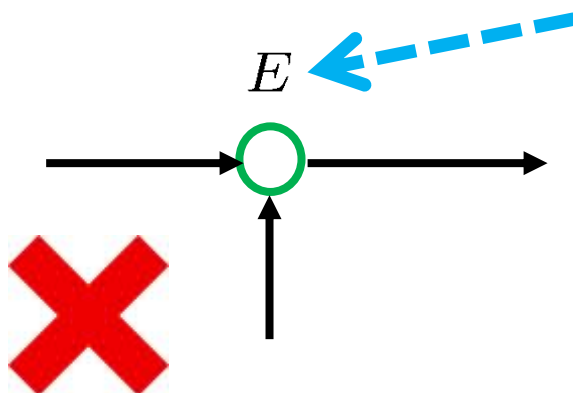
- Represents relations among signals and systems
- Very useful in representing control systems
- Also useful in computer simulations (Simulink)
- Elements
  - **Block**: transfer function (“gain” block)
  - **Arrow**: signal
  - **Node**: summation (or subtraction) of signals



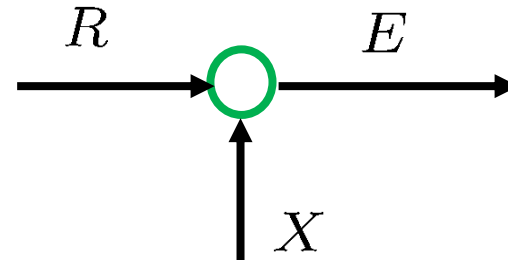
# Typical mistakes



*Unclear which signal is "E"*

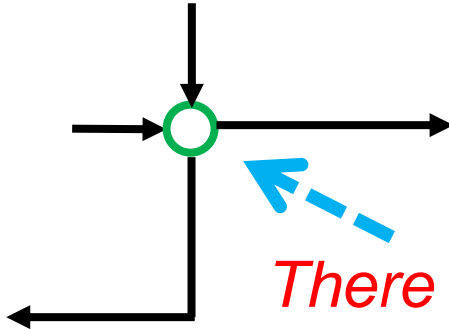


*Signal must be indicated on an arrow.*



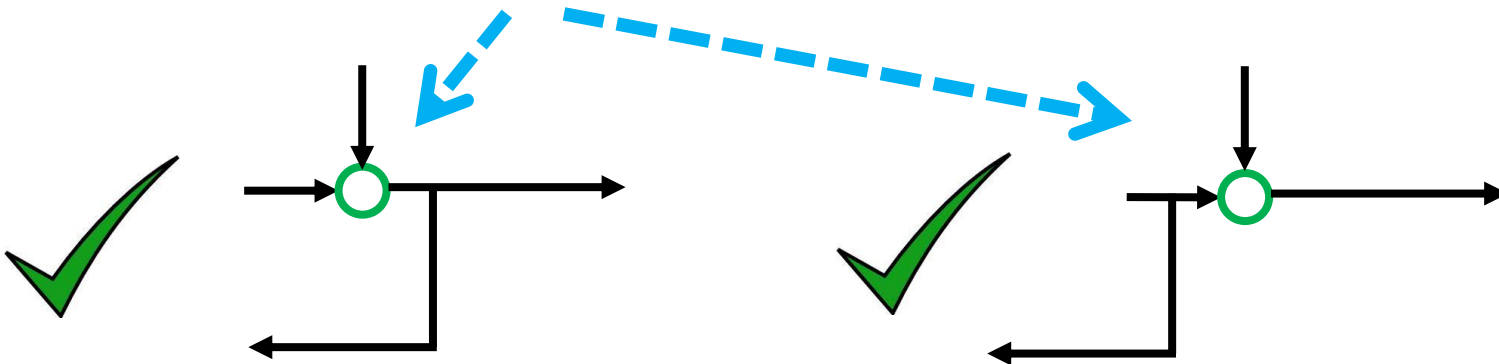


# Typical mistakes (cont'd)



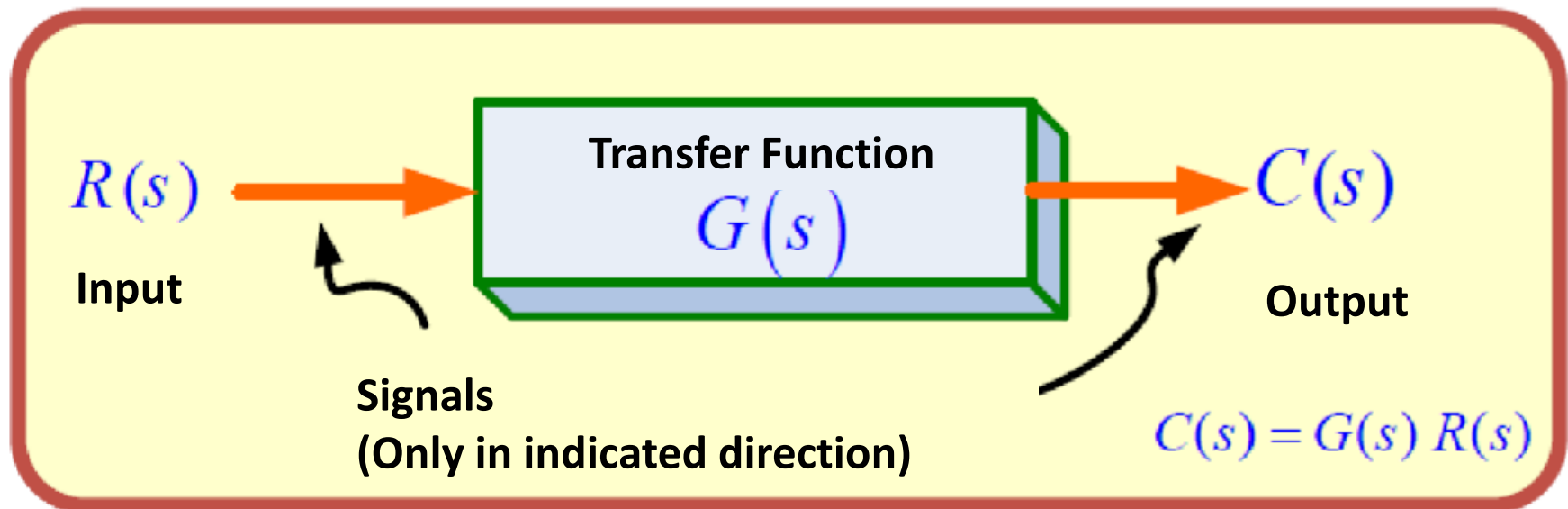
*There must be only one output from a node.*

*Both are fine, but they have different meanings!*

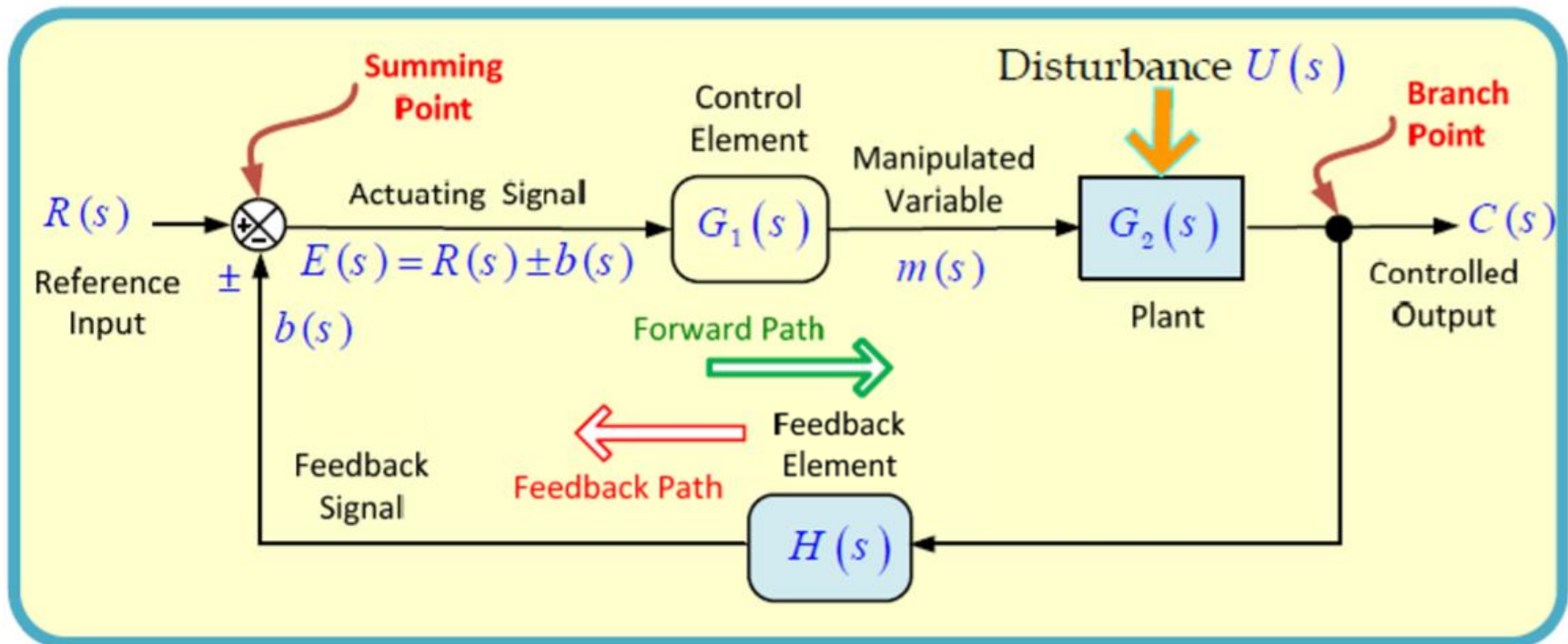


# Block diagram

## Block Diagram Reduction



# Block diagram

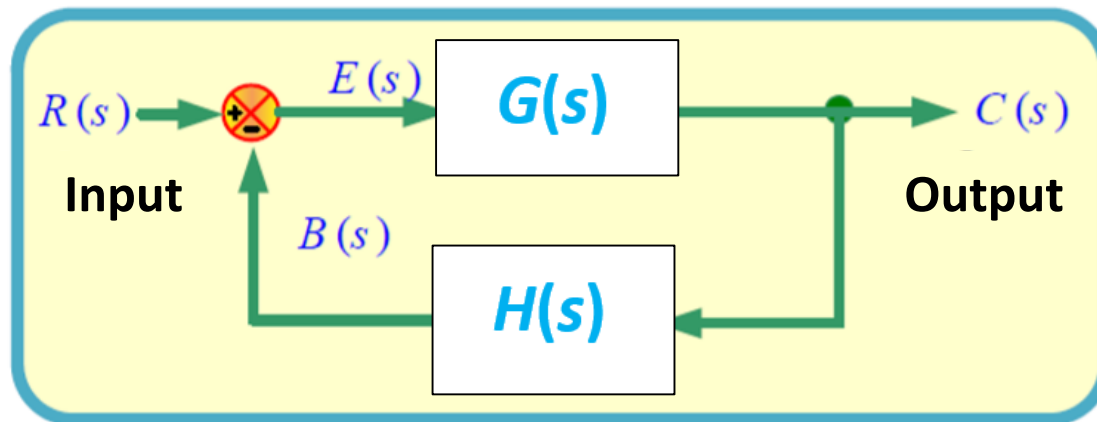


# Block diagram

## Definitions

- $G(s)$   $\equiv$  Direct transfer function = Forward transfer function.
- $H(s)$   $\equiv$  Feedback transfer function.
- $G(s)H(s)$   $\equiv$  Open-loop transfer function.
- $C(s)/R(s)$   $\equiv$  Closed-loop transfer function = Control ratio
- $C(s)/E(s)$   $\equiv$  Feed-forward transfer function.

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

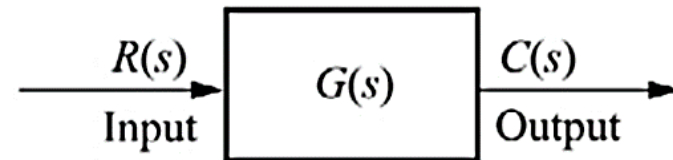


Block diagram of a closed-loop system with a feedback element

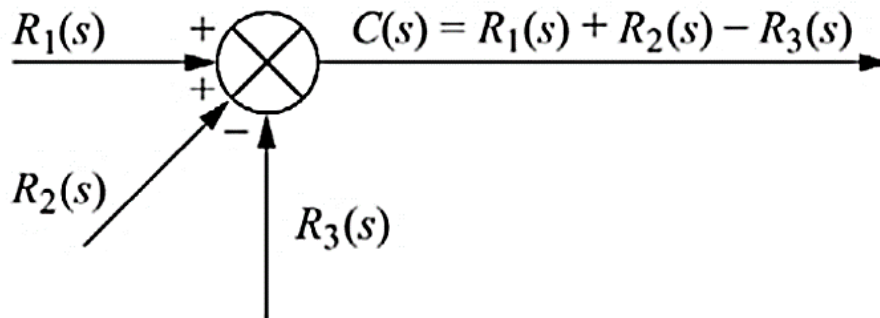
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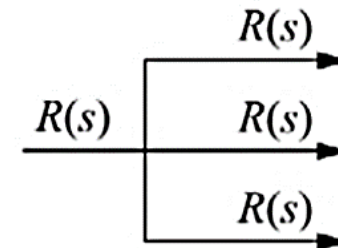
Signals  
(a)



System  
(b)



Summing junction  
(c)



Pickoff point  
(d)

# Block diagram

## Basic rules with block diagram transformation

Manipulation

Original Block Diagram

Equivalent Block Diagram

Equation

1

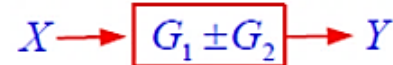
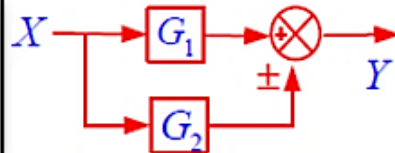
Combining blocks in cascade



$$Y = (G_1 G_2) X$$

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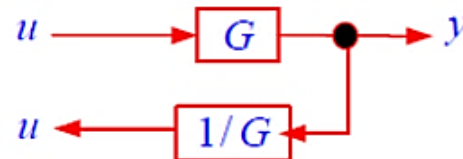
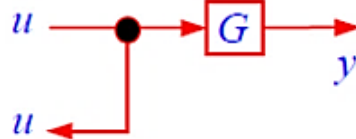
Combining blocks in parallel; or eliminating a forward loop



$$Y = (G_1 \pm G_2) X$$

3

Moving a pickoff point after a block



$$y = G u$$

$$u = \frac{1}{G} y$$



# Block diagram

## Manipulation

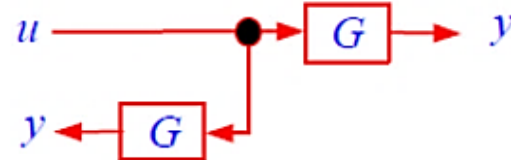
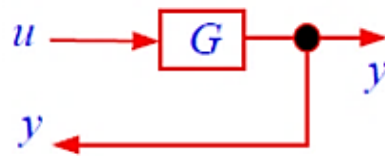
## Original Block Diagram

## Equivalent Block Diagram

## Equation

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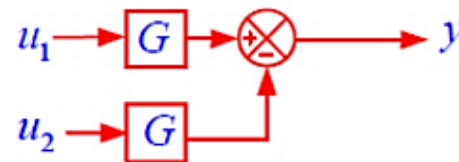
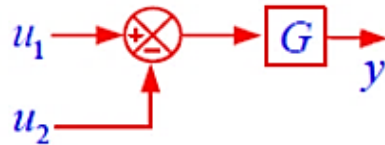
Moving a pickoff point before a block



$$y = Gu$$

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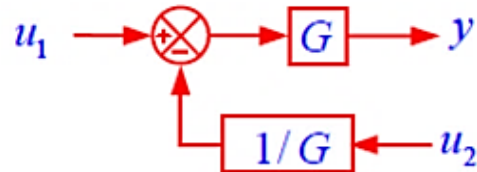
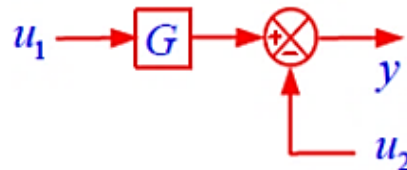
Moving a summing point after a block



$$y = G(u_1 - u_2)$$

6

Moving a summing point before a block



$$y = Gu_1 - u_2$$

# Summary

- Modeling of DC motor, nonlinear systems, delay time.
- **Main message up to this point:** *“Many systems can be represented as transfer functions!”*
- Next
  - **Stability** of linear control systems, which is one of the most important topics in feedback control.