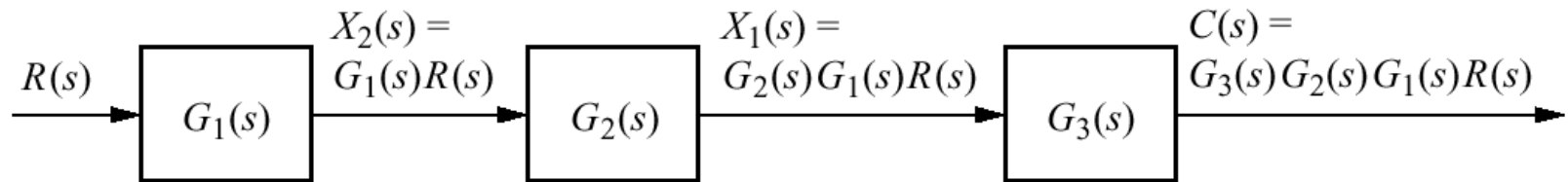


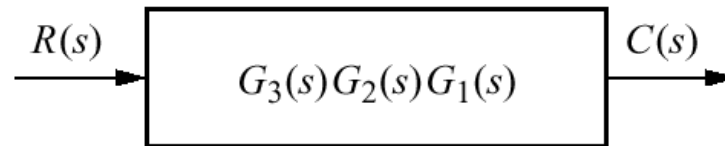
Lecture: Block Diagram Reduction and Mason's Rule

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Block-Diagram Reduction



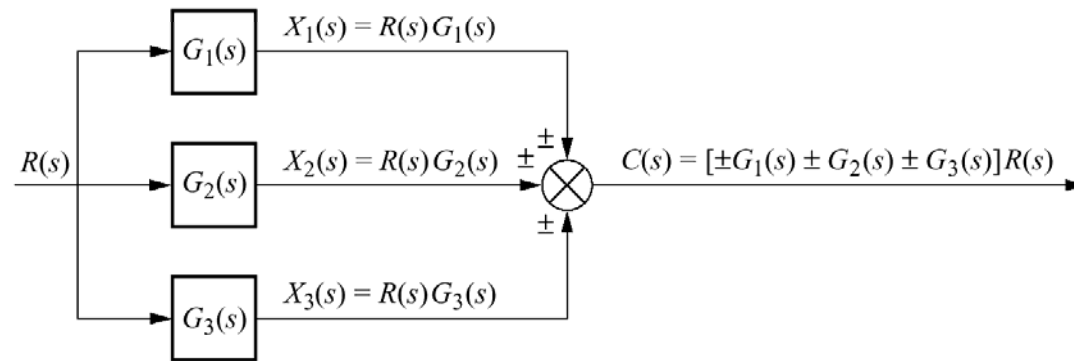
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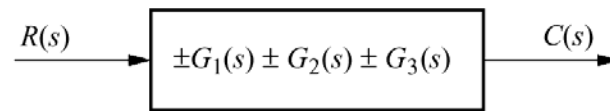
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- a). Cascaded subsystems;
- b). Equivalent transfer function.

Block-Diagram Reduction



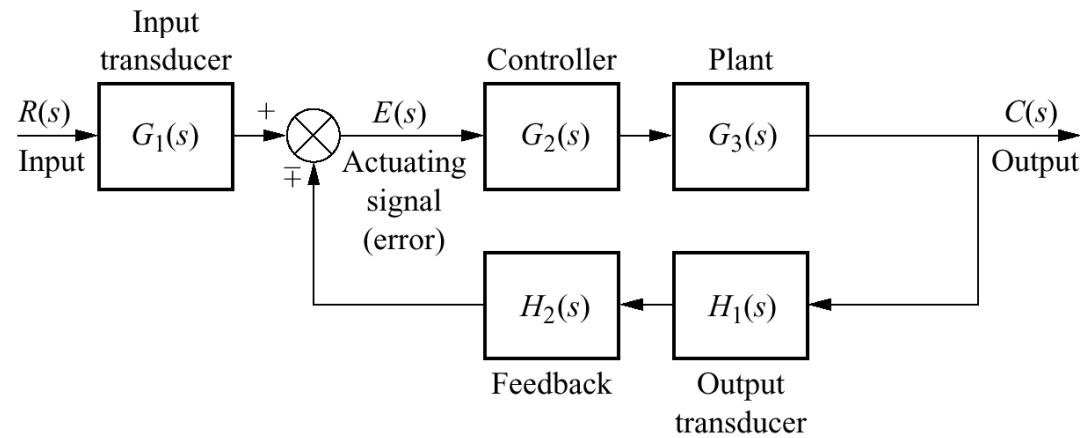
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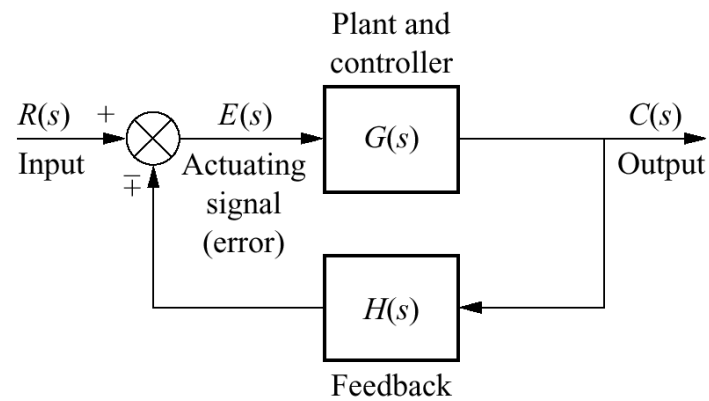
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- a. Parallel subsystems;
- b. Equivalent transfer function.

Feedback Control System and Simplified Model

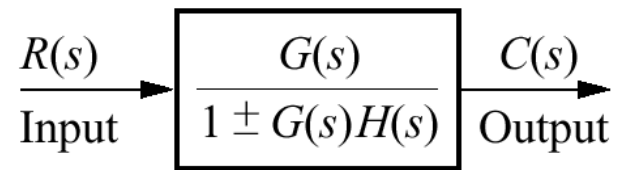


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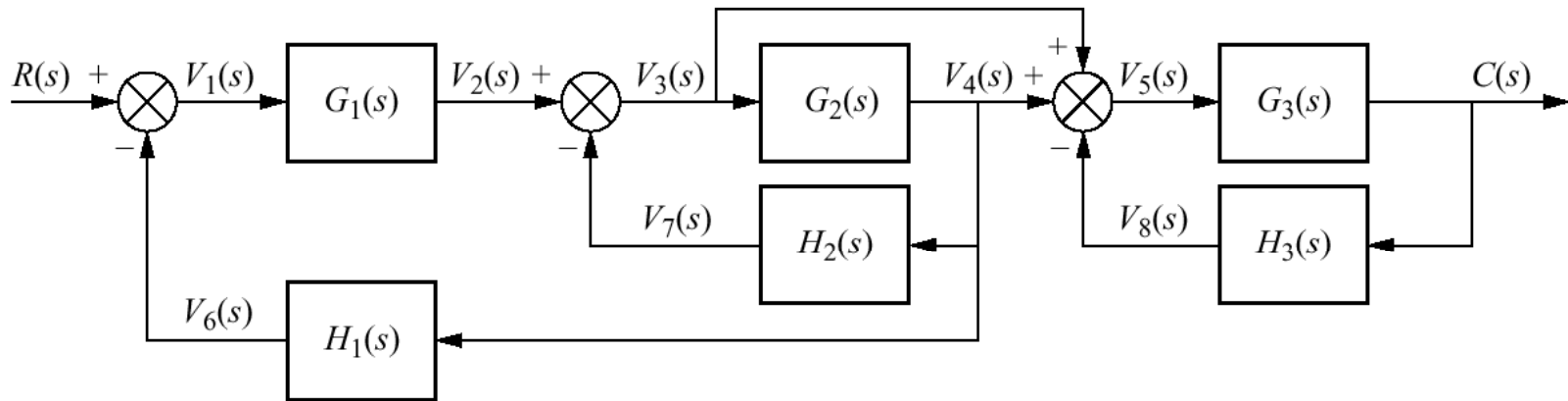
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Equivalent Transfer Function

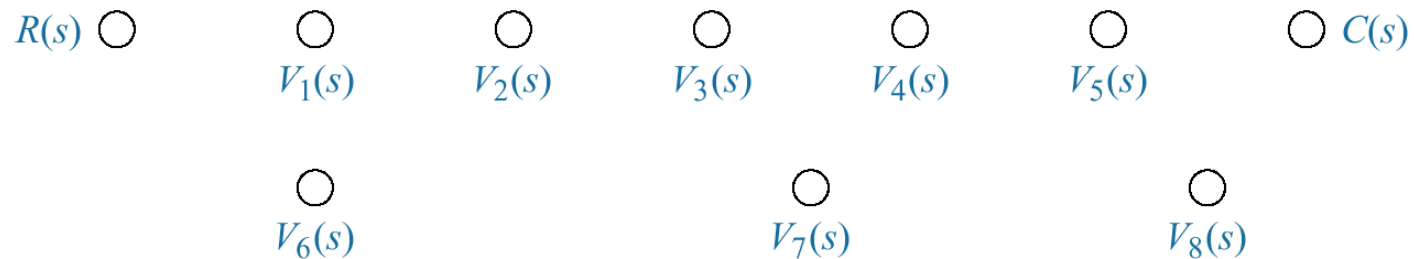


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Convert a block diagram to a signal-flow graph

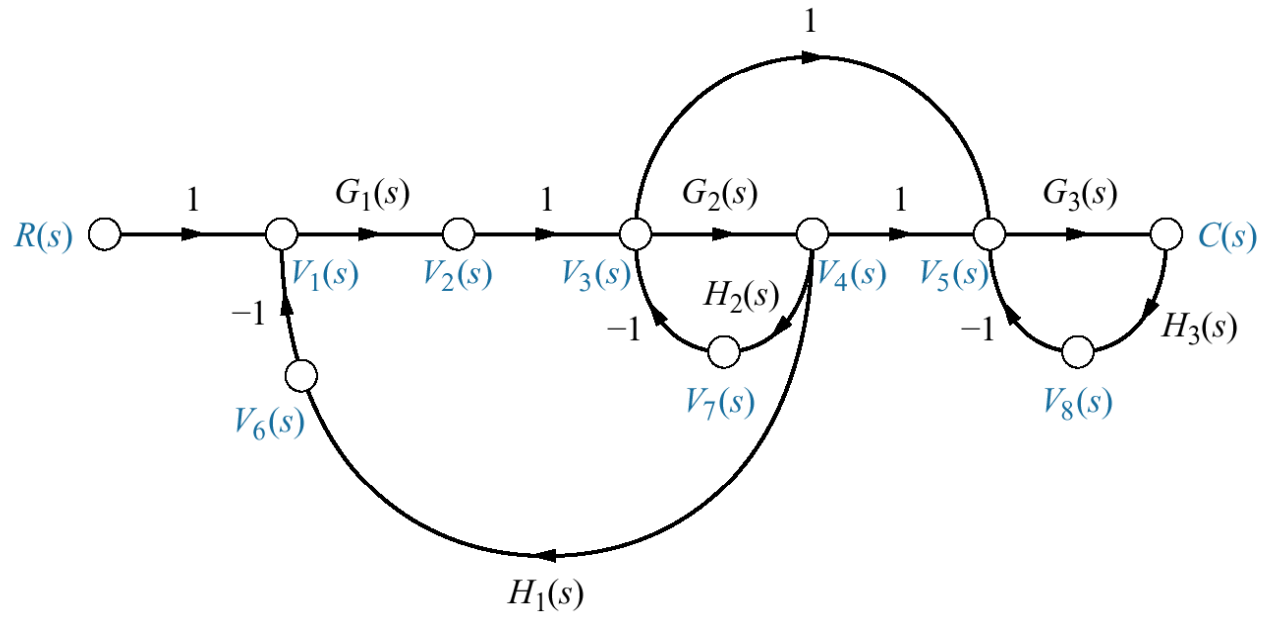


Step 1: signal nodes:



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Step 2: Signal-flow graph



Step 3: Simplified signal-flow graph

