

# Instrumentation and Controls

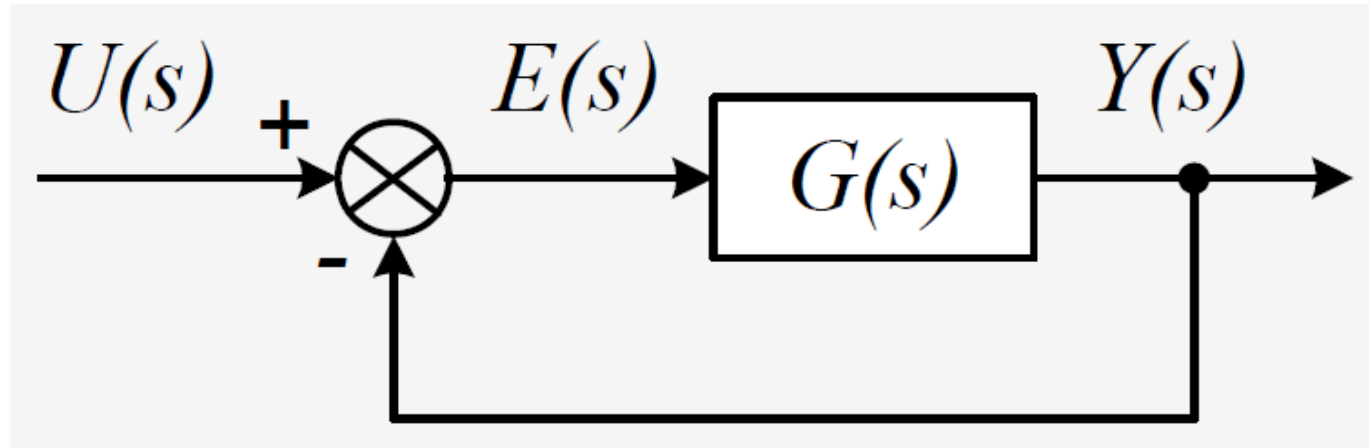
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## Lecture 16

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# Unity negative feedback systems



- Unity feedback:
  - The TF of the feedback path is  $1$ .
  - The output is directly feedback into the comparison unit.

$G(s)$  forward path TF       $U(s)$  input signal

$Y(s)$  output signal       $E(s)$  error signal

## Unity negative feedback system error

- The closed-loop TF is:  $T(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)}$

- The error signal is:

$$\begin{aligned} E(s) &= U(s) - Y(s) = U(s) - T(s)U(s) \\ &= [1 - T(s)]U(s) = \left[ 1 - \frac{G(s)}{1 + G(s)} \right] U(s) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + G(s)} U(s) \end{aligned}$$

# Unity negative feedback system steady state error

- The steady state error can be found by using the Final Value Theorem:

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sE(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sU(s)}{1 + G(s)}$$

- Note:
  - This theorem is only valid when  $e_{ss}$  exists.
  - If the closed-loop TF  $T(s)$  is stable, the steady state error  $e_{ss}$  exists.
  - $e_{ss}$  is evaluated using test signals.

## Unity negative feedback system steady state error for unit step input

$$u(t) = 1 \quad U(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sU(s)}{1 + G(s)} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{1 + G(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s)}$$

- In order to have zero steady-state error for unit step input, we must have:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \infty$

- The ***position error constant***:  $K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s)$ 
  - The dc gain of the forward path (open-loop) TF.

$$e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1 + K_p}$$

## Unity negative feedback system steady state error for unit ramp input

$$u(t) = t \quad U(s) = \frac{1}{s^2}$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sU(s)}{1 + G(s)} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s + sG(s)} = \frac{1}{\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s)}$$

- In order to have zero steady-state error for ramp input, we must have:

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s) = \infty$$

- The *velocity error constant*:  $K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s)$

$$e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_v}$$

## Unity negative feedback system steady state

error for unit parabolic input

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2; \quad U(s) = \frac{1}{s^3}$$

$$e_{ss} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{sU(s)}{1 + G(s)} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^2 + s^2 G(s)} = \frac{1}{\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s)}$$

- In order to have zero steady-state error for parabolic input, we must have:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s) = \infty$

- The **acceleration error constant**  $K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s)$

$$e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_a}$$

## Steady state errors of unity negative feedback systems

Input $u(t)$	$e_{ss}$
Unit Step $1$	$\frac{1}{1 + K_p}$
Unit Ramp $t$	$\frac{1}{K_v}$
Parabolic $\frac{1}{2}t^2$	$\frac{1}{K_a}$

$$K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s)$$

$$K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s)$$

$$K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s)$$



## Error constant and steady state error (1)

Forward path TF  $G(s) = \frac{K(s + z_1) \cdots (s + z_m)}{s^N (s + p_1) \cdots (s + p_Q)}$

$$K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^N} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{K(s + z_1) \cdots (s + z_m)}{(s + p_1) \cdots (s + p_Q)}$$

$$= \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^N} = \begin{cases} \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} & N = 0 \\ \infty & N \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

For unit step input  $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1 + K_p}$

## Error constant and steady state error (2)

$$K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^{N-1}} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{K(s+z_1)\cdots(s+z_m)}{(s+p_1)\cdots(s+p_Q)}$$

$$= \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^{N-1}} = \begin{cases} 0 & N = 0 \\ \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} & N = 1 \\ \infty & N > 1 \end{cases}$$

For unit ramp  
input

$$e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_v} = \begin{cases} \infty & N = 0 \\ \frac{p_1 \cdots p_Q}{Kz_1 \cdots z_m} & N = 1 \\ 0 & N > 1 \end{cases}$$

## Error constant and steady state error (3)

$$K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^{N-2}} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{K(s+z_1)\cdots(s+z_m)}{(s+p_1)\cdots(s+p_Q)}$$

$$= \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s^{N-2}} = \begin{cases} 0 & N = 0, 1 \\ \frac{Kz_1 \cdots z_m}{p_1 \cdots p_Q} & N = 2 \\ \infty & N > 2 \end{cases}$$

For unit  
parabolic input

$$e_{ss} = \frac{1}{K_a} = \begin{cases} \infty & N = 0, 1 \\ \frac{p_1 \cdots p_Q}{Kz_1 \cdots z_m} & N = 2 \\ 0 & N > 2 \end{cases}$$

## System Type Number

$$G(s) = \frac{K(s + z_1) \cdots (s + z_m)}{s^N (s + p_1) \cdots (s + p_Q)} = \left(\frac{1}{s}\right)^N \frac{K(s + z_1) \cdots (s + z_m)}{(s + p_1) \cdots (s + p_Q)}$$

- The number of *integration* in the forward path (open-loop) TF is important in determining steady state errors!

$N$ : *system type number*

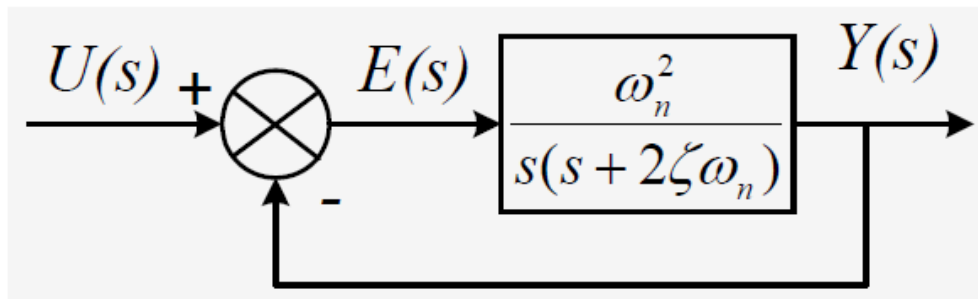
$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s + 1} \quad \text{Type 0 system}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s(s + 1)} \quad \text{Type 1 system}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{K}{s^2(s + 1)} \quad \text{Type 2 system}$$

## Steady State Errors of 2<sup>nd</sup> Order System

$$G(s) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{s(s + 2\zeta\omega_n)}$$



- One integration in open-loop TF: *Type 1 system!*

Steady state errors:

input signal	steady state error
unit step	0
unit ramp	$2\zeta/\omega_n$
unit parabolic	$\infty$

$$K_p = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} G(s) = \infty$$

$$K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s) = \frac{\omega_n}{2\zeta}$$

$$K_a = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^2 G(s) = 0$$

## Design Example

- A motor-driven optical tracking system has the unity negative feedback configuration with the forward TF as

$$G(s) = \frac{12K_o}{s(s+10)}$$

- The desired tracking performance is that the steady-state error is less than  $0.01 \text{ rad}$  with an input signal that is changing at a *constant rate* of angular variation of  $0.06 \text{ rad/s}$ .
  - Find the range for  $K_o$ .

$$u(t) = 0.06t \text{ rad/s} \quad e_{ss} < 0.01 \text{ rad}$$

$$\text{ramp input} \quad |y(\infty) - u(\infty)| < 0.01 \text{ rad}$$

## Design Example: Solution

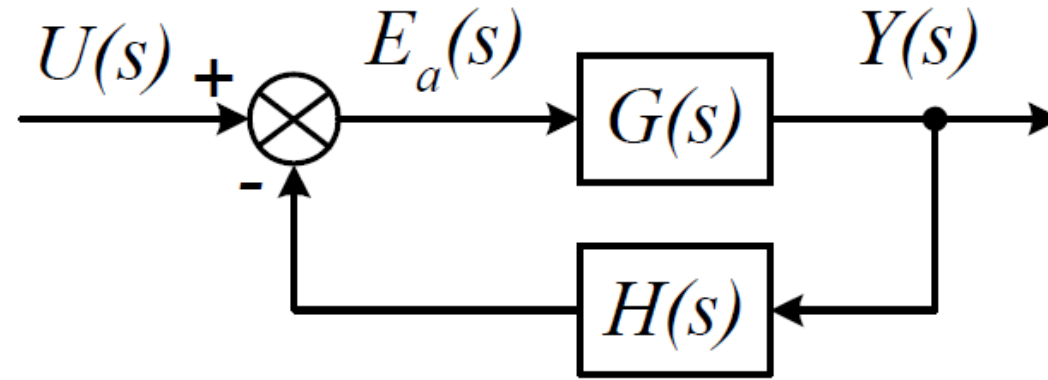
$$u(t) = 0.06t \text{ rad / s} \quad e_{ss} = 0.06 \frac{1}{K_v} \quad G(s) = \frac{12K_o}{s(s+10)}$$

$$K_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} sG(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \frac{12K_o}{s(s+10)} = 1.2K_o$$

$$e_{ss} = \frac{0.06}{1.2K_o} < 0.01 \Rightarrow \frac{6}{1.2K_o} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{K_o} < 1 \Rightarrow K_o > 5$$

# Steady state errors for nonunity feedback systems (1)



- Note:  $E_a(s)$  is NOT error signal!

$$\text{Error: } E(s) = U(s) - Y(s)$$

- **Method:** Directly use the error definition and the final value theorem to find the steady state error.