## Signal flow graphs

## Signal Flow Graph Representation

- Similar to block diagram representation
- Notational differences
- A network of directed branches connected at nodes

- Example representation of a difference equation


## Example



## Determination of System Function



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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{aph}_{1}[n]=w_{4}[n]-x[n] \\
& w_{2}[n]=\alpha w_{1}[n] \\
& w_{3}[n]=x[n]+[n] \\
& w_{4}[n]=w_{3}[n-1] \\
& y[n]=w_{2}[n]+w_{4}[n]
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
W_{1}(z) & =W_{4}(z)-X(z) \\
W_{2}(z) & =\alpha W_{1}(z) \\
W_{3}(z) & =W_{2}(z)+X(z) \quad W_{2}(z)=\frac{\alpha X(z)\left(z^{-1}-1\right)}{1-\alpha z^{-1}} \\
W_{4}(z) & =W_{3}(z) z^{-1} \\
Y(z) & =W_{2}(z)+W_{4}(z)=\frac{X(z) z^{-1}(1-\alpha)}{1-\alpha z^{-1}} \quad H(z)=\frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}=\frac{z^{-1}-\alpha}{1-\alpha z^{-1}} \\
& \mathrm{Y}[\mathrm{n}]=\alpha^{n-1} u[n-1]-\alpha^{n+1}
\end{aligned}
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