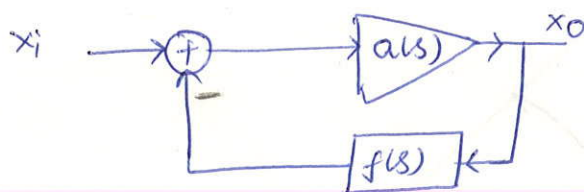


Gain & Phase Margin:

$$\Leftrightarrow A(s) = \frac{a(s)}{1 + \underbrace{a(s)f(s)}_{\equiv T(s)}}$$

Assume: No pole of  $a(s)$  is a zero of  $f(s)$  (vice-versa?)  
(True for analog dls, but not for DSP).

Nyquist criterion  $\Rightarrow$  2 special cases:

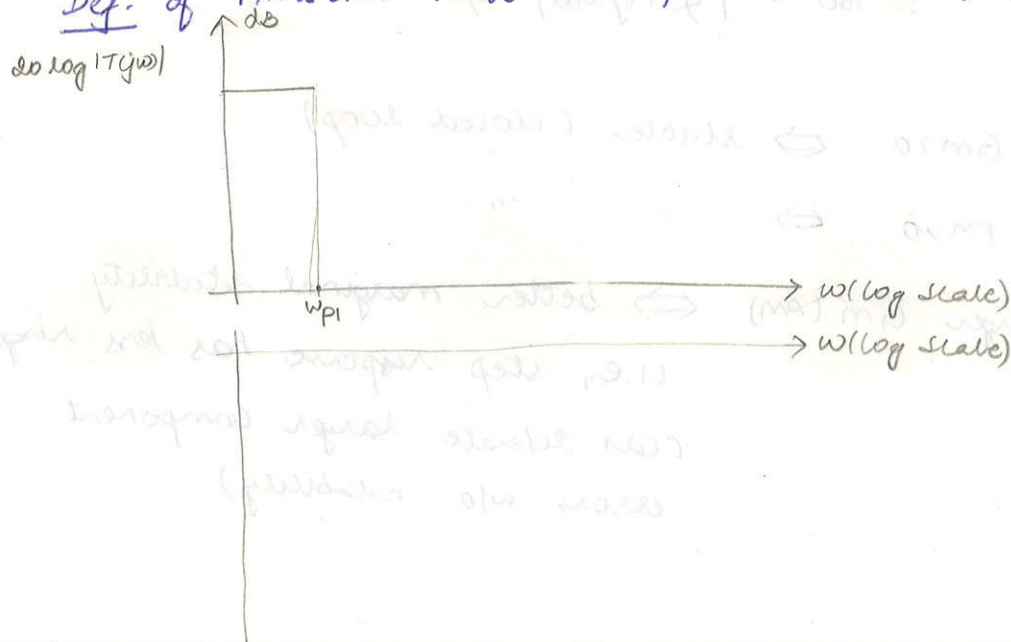
i) Suppose  $\angle T(0) = 0$ ,  $T(s)$  has no RHP poles, and  
 $|\angle T(j\omega)| = \pi$  has no more than one positive solution,  $\omega = \omega_\pi$  ①  
 Then  $A(s)$  is stable iff  $|T(j\omega_\pi)| < 1$  ②

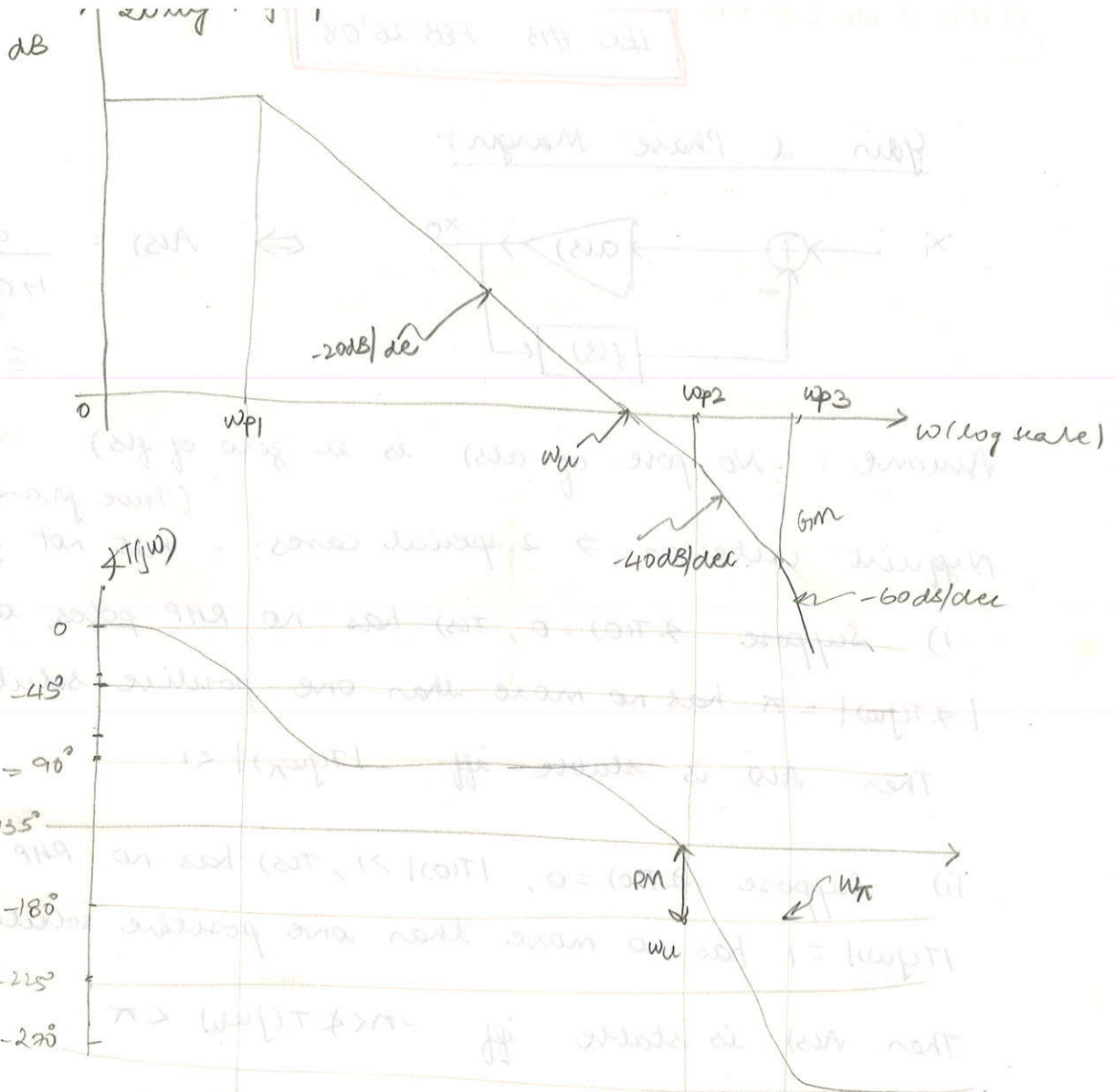
ii) Suppose  $\angle T(0) = 0$ ,  $|T(0)| > 1$ ,  $T(s)$  has no RHP poles, and  
 $|T(j\omega)| = 1$  has no more than one positive solution,  $\omega = \omega_u$  ②  
 Then  $A(s)$  is stable iff  $-\pi < \angle T(j\omega_u) < \pi$  ①  
 (unity gain)

i)  $\Rightarrow$  Basis of "gain margin" (GM) definition (soon)

ii)  $\rightarrow$  " " "phase margin" (PM) ab " " " " " "

Def. of PM & GM (via a 3-pole  $T(s)$  example)





Why are there not extensions of Barkhausen's criterion?

i.e.  $GM \equiv 20 \log \left| \frac{1}{T(jw_u)} \right|$  (positive as shown)

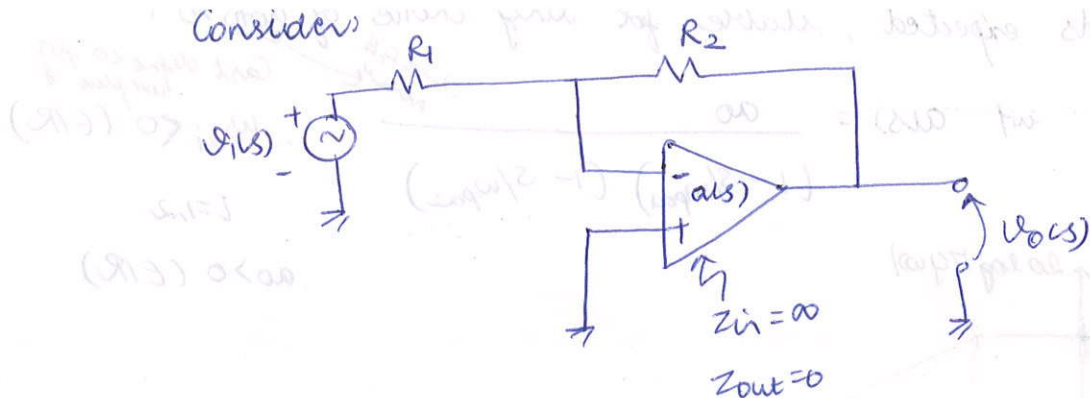
$PM \equiv 180^\circ - |\angle T(jw_u)|$  (positive as shown)

∴ ①,  $GM > 0 \Leftrightarrow$  stable (closed loop)

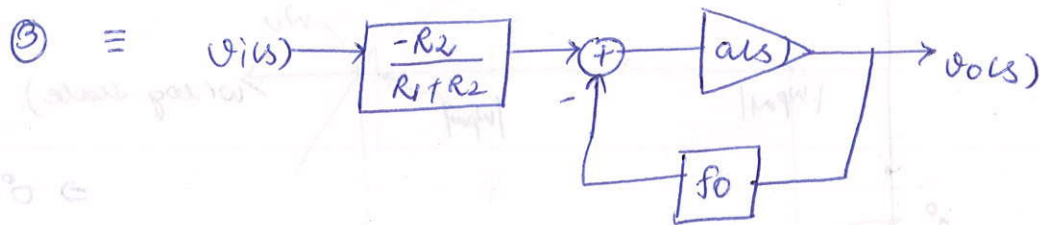
②,  $PM > 0 \Leftrightarrow$  " "

Also, larger  $GM (PM) \Leftrightarrow$  better marginal stability  
 (i.e., step response has less ringing)  
 (can tolerate larger component errors w/o instability)

Consider:



Previously found,



where  $f_o = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$  ( $0 < f_o < 1$ )

Ex 1 ③ w/ als) =  $\frac{a_o}{(1 - s/\omega_{pa})}$ ,  $\omega_{pa} < 0$  ( $\in \mathbb{R}$ )

one pole can't be complex

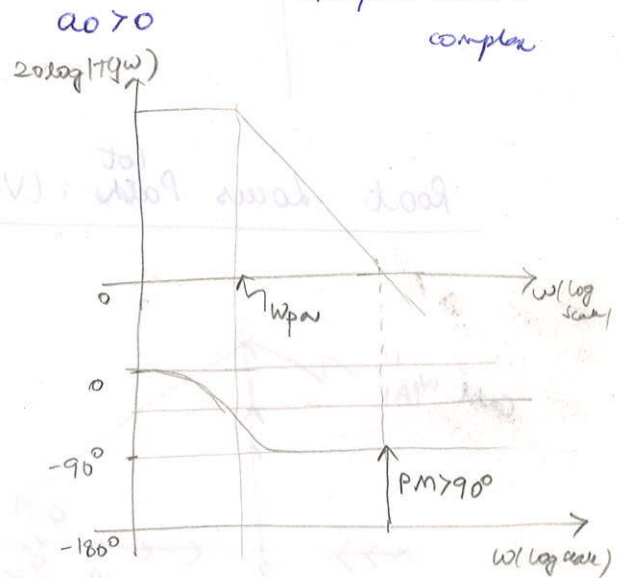
$\therefore T(j\omega) = \frac{a_o f_o}{(1 - j\omega/\omega_{pa})}$

depending on  $a_o f_o$ ,

$90^\circ < PM < 180^\circ$

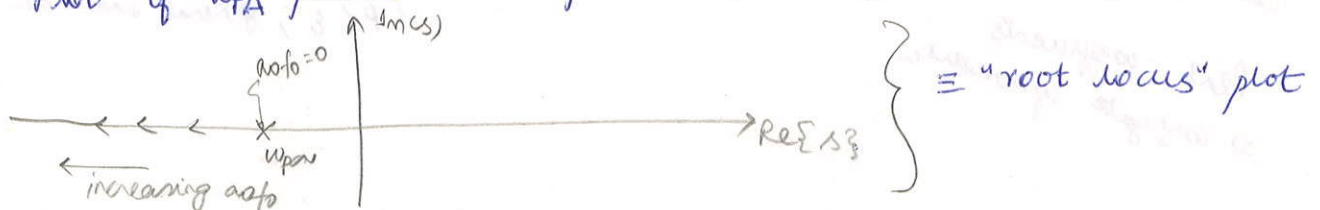
e.g. at  $PM = 180^\circ$   
 $a_o f_o \rightarrow 1$

at  $PM = 90^\circ$   
 $a_o f_o \rightarrow \infty$



Recall:  $A(s) \equiv \frac{V_o(s)}{V_i(s)} = A_o \frac{1}{1 - s/\omega_{pa}}$  where  $A_o \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\omega_{pa} = (1 + a_o f_o) \omega_{pa}$

Plot of  $\omega_{pa}$  position in s-plane as  $a_o f_o$  increases from 0 to  $\infty$

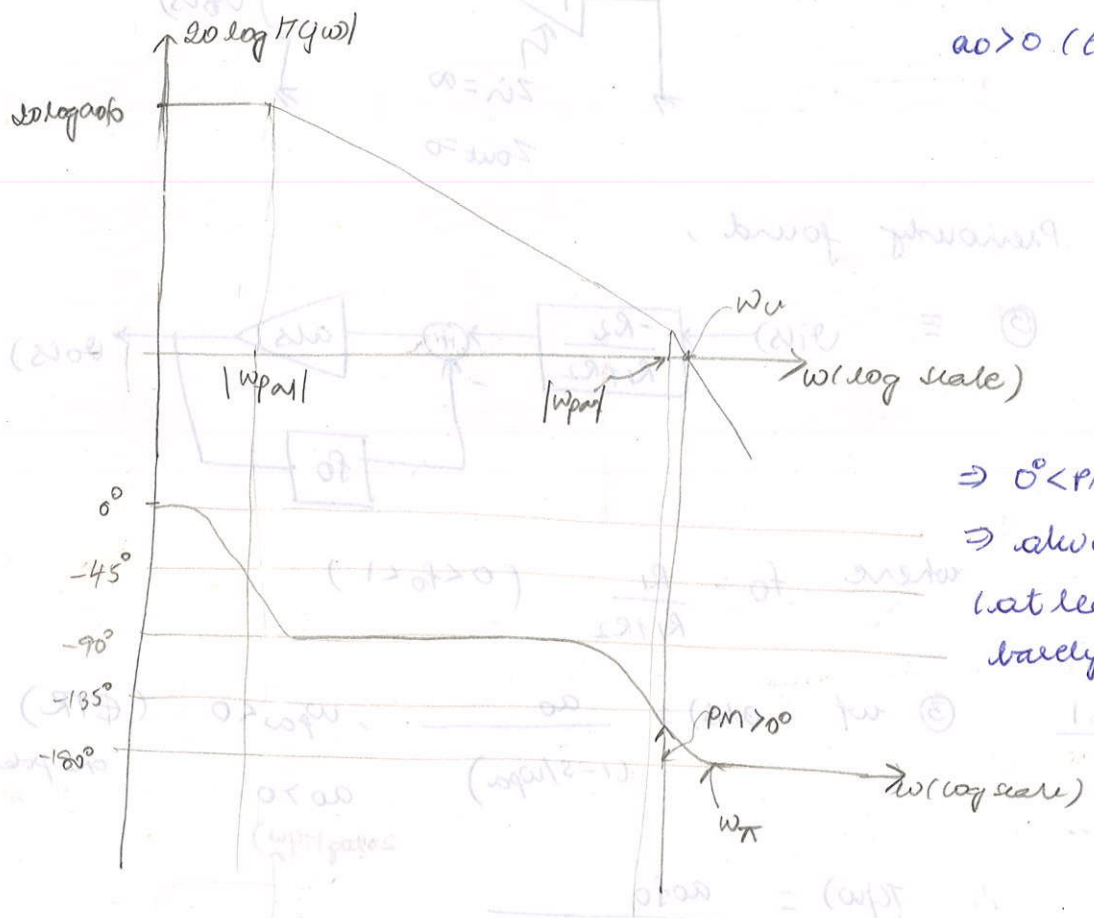




As expected, stable for any choice of  $\omega_{01}$  &  $\omega_{02}$

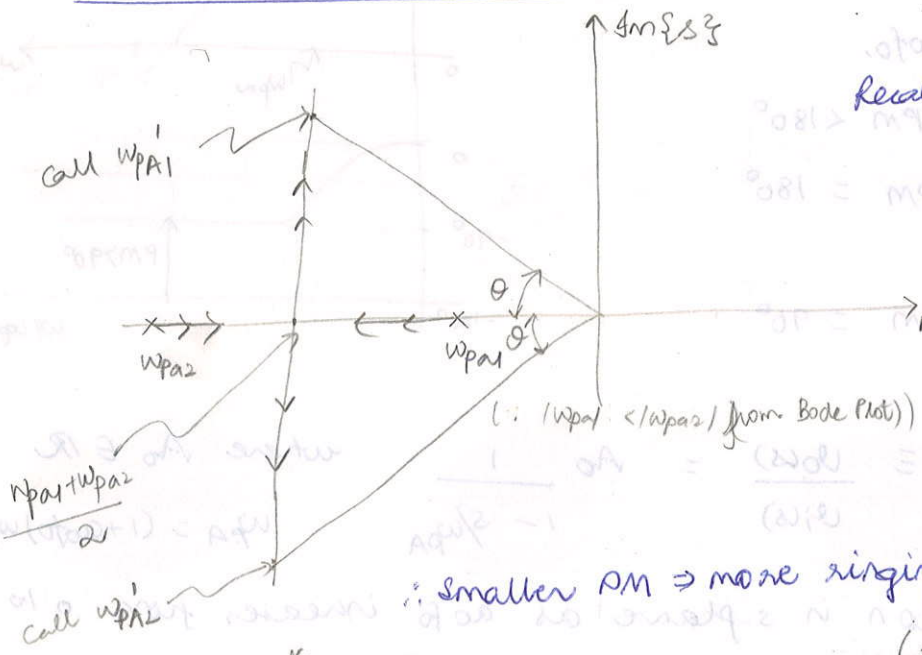
Ex 2 ③  $w(s) = \frac{a_0}{(1-s/\omega_{p1})(1-s/\omega_{p2})}$   $\omega_{p1} < 0$  (E/R)  
 $\omega_{p2} < 0$  (E/R)  
 $a_0 > 0$  (E/R)

e.g.  
What abt GM?



$\Rightarrow 0^\circ < PM < 180^\circ$   
 $\Rightarrow$  always stable (at least barely)

Root Locus Paths: (Verify) (Plot of  $\omega_{p1}$  &  $\omega_{p2}$ )



Result:  $\theta = \cos^{-1} \zeta$

where  $\zeta$  = damping ratio

$\therefore \zeta = \cos \theta$ , so  
 $\zeta \rightarrow 0$  as  $\theta \rightarrow 90^\circ$

(i.e. as  $a_0 \omega_0 \rightarrow \infty$ )

(i.e. as  $PM \rightarrow 0$ )

$\therefore$  Smaller PM  $\Rightarrow$  more ringing.

(P.F.E, general 2nd order system)

Real coefficients  
 $\Rightarrow$  conjugate symmetric.

Ex 3

(3)

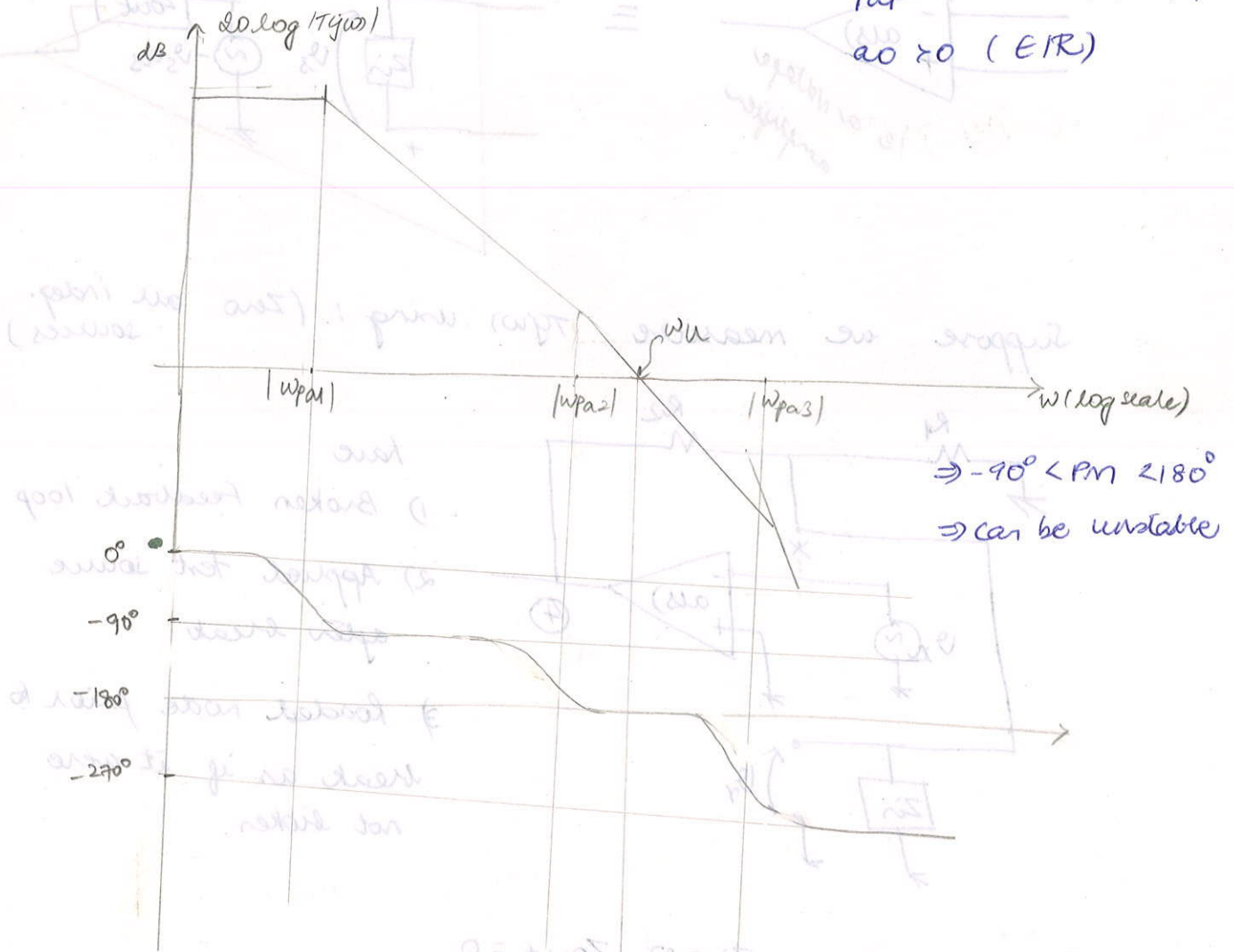
with

als)

$$(1 - s/\omega_{pa1}) (1 - s/\omega_{pa2}) (1 - s/\omega_{pa3})$$

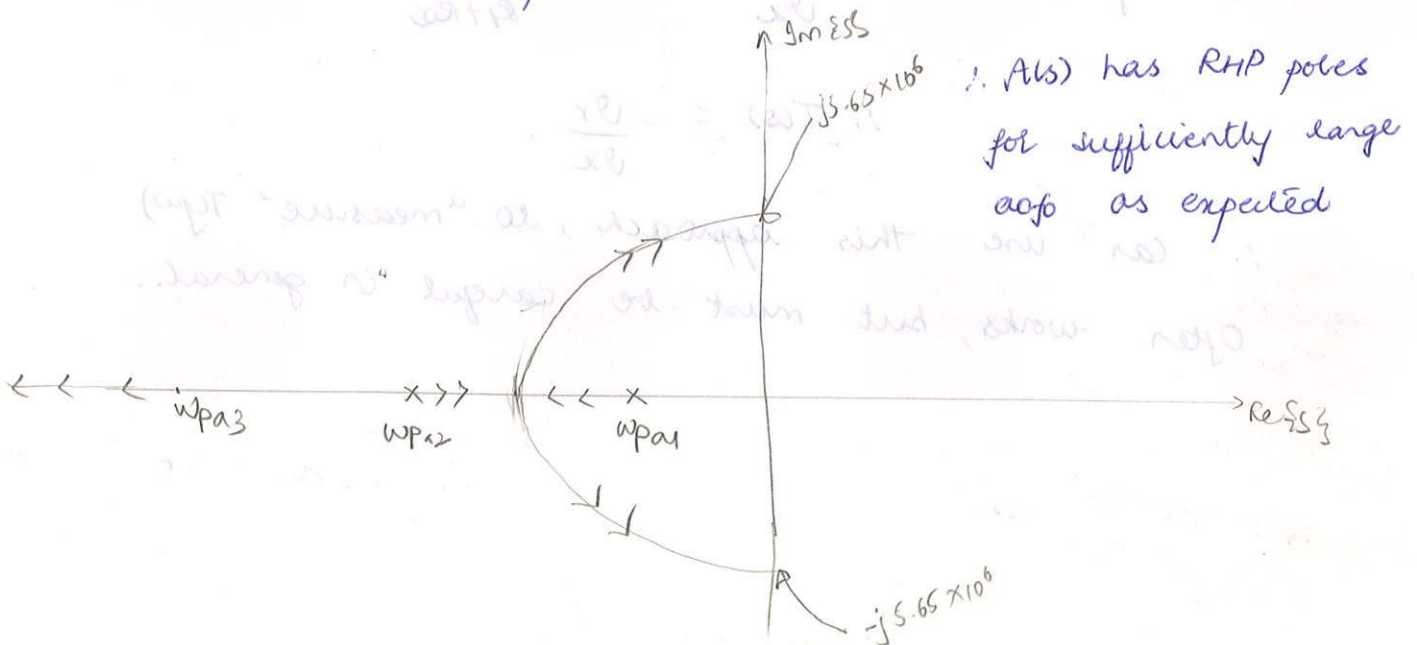
$$\omega_{pai} < 0 \quad (i=1,2,3)$$

$$a_0 > 0 \quad (i=1,2,3)$$



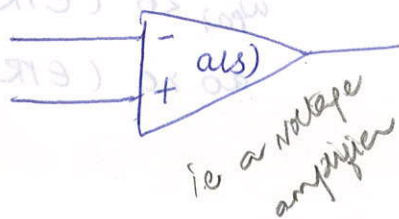
eg suppose  $\omega_{pa1} = -10^6$  rad/s,  $\omega_{pa2} = -2 \cdot 10^6$  rad/s,  $\omega_{pa3} = -10^7$  rad/s

Then the root locus plot is

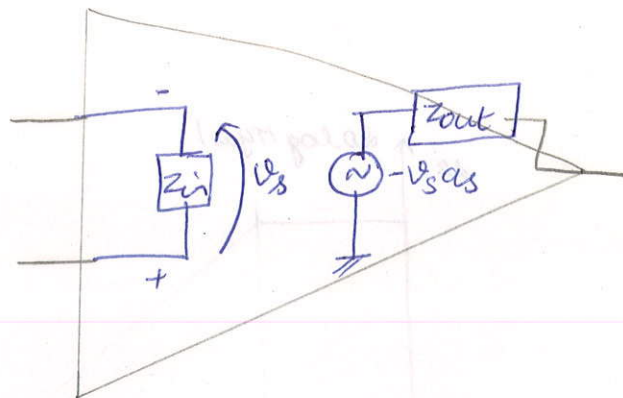


# Using SPICE to Estimate $T(j\omega)$

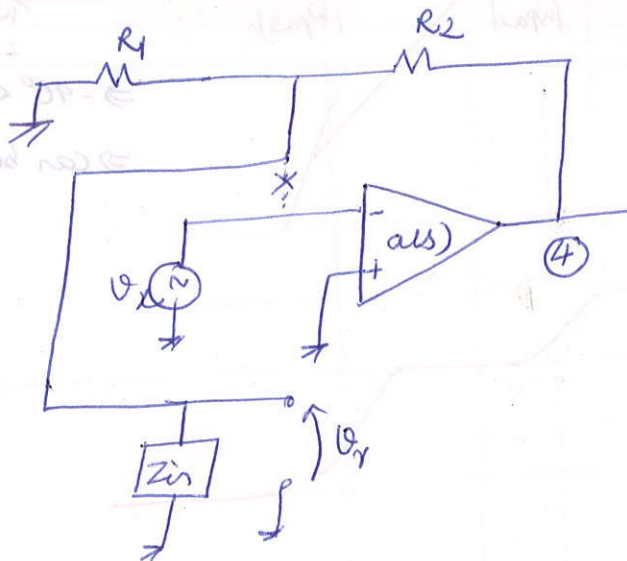
Ex 4 Consider ③ with



$\equiv$



Suppose we measure  $T(j\omega)$  using: (Zero all indep. sources)



have

- 1) Broken Feedback loop
- 2) Applied test source after break
- 3) Loaded node prior to break as if it were not broken.

First suppose  $Z_{in} = \infty$ ,  $Z_{out} = 0$

$$\text{Inspection} \Rightarrow \frac{V_r}{V_x} = -als \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} = -als f_0 = -T(s)$$

$$\therefore T(s) = -\frac{V_r}{V_x}$$

$\therefore$  can use this approach to "measure"  $T(j\omega)$   
Often works, but must be careful in general.



Suppose  $Z_{in} \neq \infty$ ,  $Z_{out} \neq 0$

$$A.G.R. \Rightarrow A(s) = A_0 \frac{T}{1+T} + A_0 \cdot \frac{1}{1+T}$$

Before  $A_0 = 0$  because  $Z_{out} = 0$

Now  $A_0 \neq 0$

We still get  $T_{gw}$  using (4) but analysis will miss any poles contributed by  $A_0(s)$ .

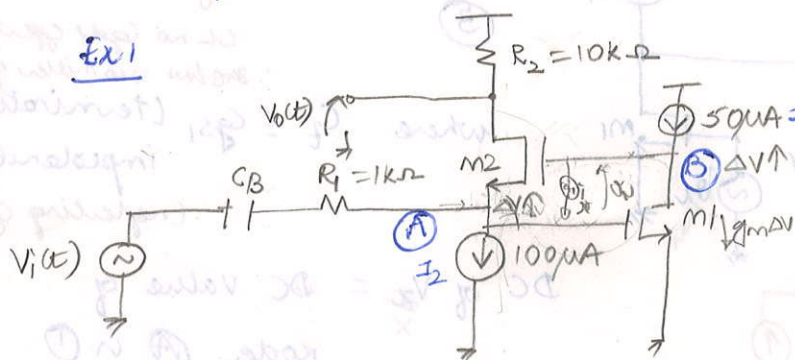
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$M_2$ : source follower.



Using SPICE to estimate  $T_{gw}$ :

Ex 1



$$M_1: W/L = 15\mu m / 1\mu m$$

$$M_2: W/L = 20\mu m / 1\mu m$$

$C_B$  = large DC blocking cap. (assume  $C_B \approx \infty$ )

Observations

(i) (A) is a low impedance node: (freqs low enough that loop can respond)  
inside loop bandwidth  $\Rightarrow$  (A) = almost virtual grd. (H/W)

even w/ feedback disabled, impedance of (A)  $\approx 1k\Omega \parallel \frac{1}{g_{m2}}$

(ii) similar reasoning  $\Rightarrow$  driving point resistance b/w (A) & (B) is relatively small. ( $\approx \frac{1}{g_{m1}}$ ) (V<sub>in</sub> is relatively small w/  $g_{m1}$ )

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  Reasonable to neglect  $C_{gd1}, C_{gs2}$  (2) (Pole contributed by  $C_{gd1}, C_{gs2}$  non-dominant)

Apply A.G.R. w/  $g_{m1} \parallel g_{s1} \equiv$  reg. source.

$$\therefore A(s) = A_0(s) \frac{T(s)}{1+T(s)} + A_0(s) \frac{1}{1+T(s)}$$

(but w/ high imp. gain correction) by  $M_2$

gain of the C.A. amp. formed

$$1/g_{m2} \approx 1k\Omega, \text{ so } A_{OL}(0) \approx 5$$

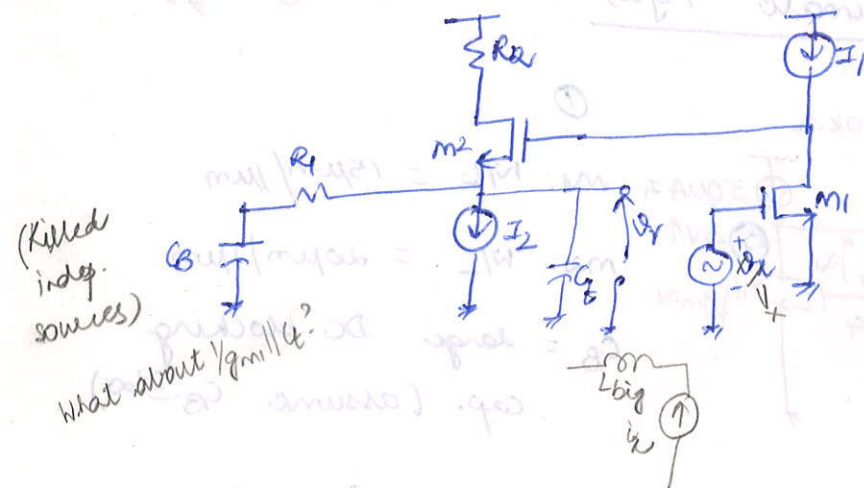
(Remember divider b/w  $R_d$  &  $1/g_{m2}$ ; all i/p current flows through  $R_d$ )

The point:  $T(s)$  does not give whole stability "picture" because  $A_{OL}(s)$  might have marginal stability.

Good Approach: 1) Measure  $T(s)$  to estimate degree of stability

2) If simulations show more ringing than expected  ~~$A_{OL}(s)$~~ , consider  $A_{OL}(s)$

②  $\Rightarrow$  Can "measure"  $T(j\omega)$  using:



③

$C_{gd}$  needed in 2  
CL no  $C_{gd}$  effect  
no Miller effect  
where  $C_t \equiv C_{gs}$  (termination impedance) (neglecting  $C_{gd}$ )

DC of  $V_x =$  DC value of node A in ①

$\Rightarrow$  have "broken" feedback loop & applied test signal

$$\textcircled{3} \Rightarrow T(j\omega) = \frac{-V_r(j\omega)}{V_x(j\omega)}$$

(Same  $T(j\omega)$  as in A.G.R. if ② holds - verify)

$\Rightarrow$  simple test to find PM, GM or Nyquist plot.

Simulations  $\Rightarrow$  PM  $\approx 90^\circ$

(We have started F.B. loop; 1xtn for amp, 1xtn for feedback)

In general, this always works but must:

i) Bias the i/p node (following break point) as in closed loop ckt.

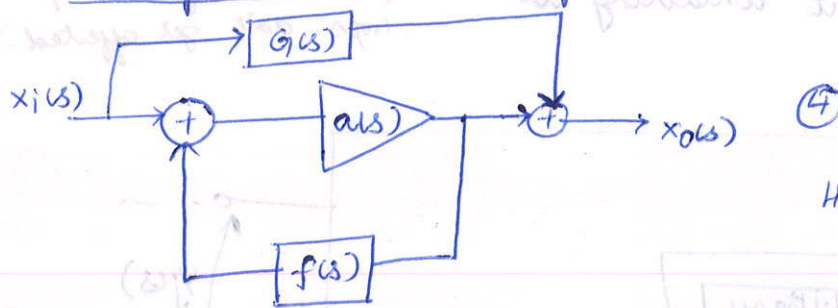
ii) Terminate op node prior to break point as in closed loop ckt.

inject a current pulse  
to analyse stability



HW 6  $\Rightarrow$  Method of avoiding need to terminate o/p node.

## Theory Behind Breaking Feedback loops:



(A.G.R. : ckt  $\rightarrow$  BD tool)

$$H(s) \equiv \frac{x_o(s)}{x_i(s)} = \frac{a(s)}{1 + a(s)f(s)} + G(s)$$

Call  $A(s)$

But  $G(s)$  and  $A(s)$  } • have poles in (general)  
• affect stability

In circuits, after } •  $A(s) \Rightarrow$  desired behavior  
(dominant behavior)  
•  $G(s) \Rightarrow$  parasitic signal path  
(indicated by A.G.R.) (non-dominant)

∴ Feedback loop in ④  $\Rightarrow A(s)$

Knowing  $A(s) \Rightarrow$  insight into how  $a(s)f(s)$  can be modified to improve performance.

But

Knowing  $T(j\omega) \Rightarrow$

(via Nyq. criterion, GM/PM etc.)

Can "break" any point of feedback loop in ④ and "measure"  $T(j\omega)$  via simulation. (In ckt. design usually have ckt. not BDs)

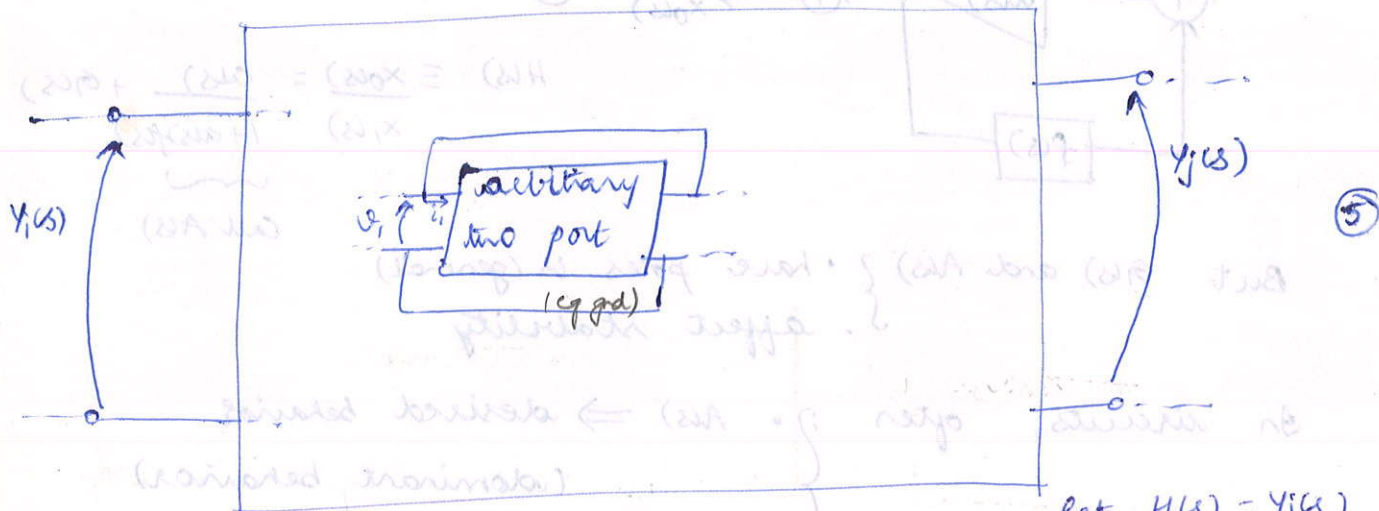
The Problem: Usually have circuit, not a BD. to analyze.

Previously have used AGR for specific ckt. to justify measuring  $T(j\omega)$  directly from circuit  $\rightarrow$  which ckt.?

(i.e. without first converting into a B.D.)

Does this work in general?

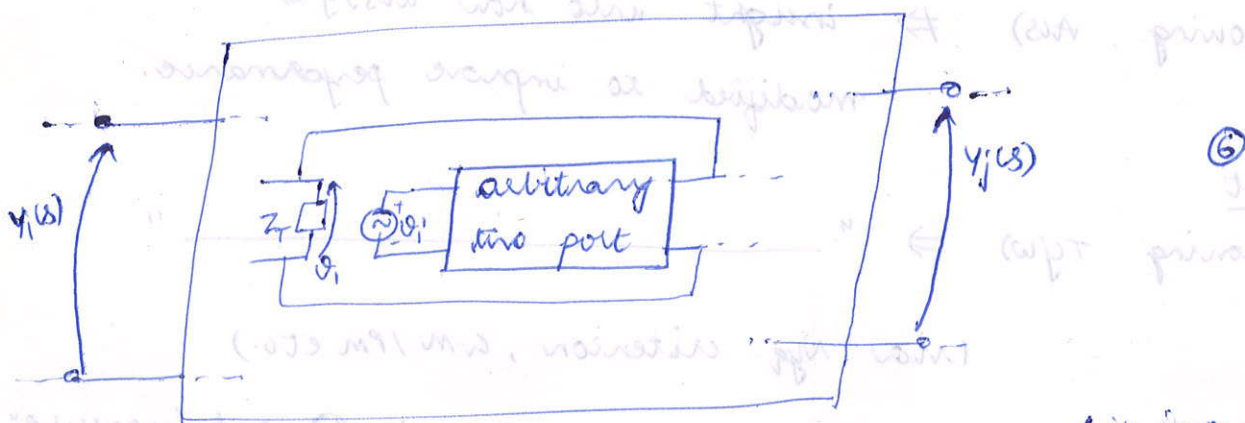
Arbitrary LTI circuit containing a feedback loop:



$$\text{Let } H(s) = \frac{Y_1(s)}{Y(s)}$$

Note: Can redraw ⑤ such that  $Y_1(s) = \text{current}$  and/or  $Y(s) = \text{current}$

Can redraw ⑤ as:



where  $V_1' = \alpha V_1$  w/  $\alpha \equiv 1$ ,  $Z_t(s) = \frac{V_1(s)}{i_1(s)}$  (i/p imp. of 2-port; depends on loading of  $Y_1(s)$  &  $Y(s)$  ports)

Now suppose  $V_1'(s)$  is replaced by an indep. source  $V_x$

$$\text{LTI system} \Rightarrow V_1 = G(s) Y_1(s) + D(s) V_x(s)$$

Feedback loop "enabled"  $\Leftrightarrow D(s) \neq 0$

⑦

(eg,  $V_1 \equiv Y_1 \Rightarrow \text{isolated}$ )





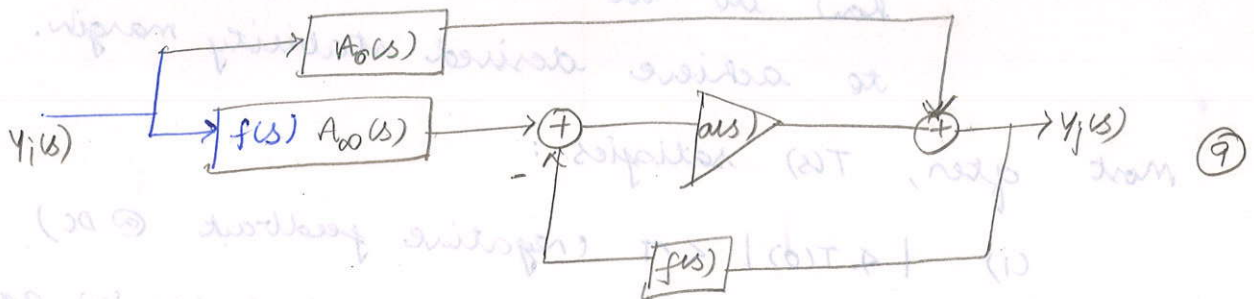
provided  $\alpha \neq 0$ , can apply A.G.R.

Recall A.G.R.  $\Rightarrow H(s) = A_{\infty}(s) \frac{T(s)}{1+T(s)} + A_0(s) \frac{1}{1+T(s)}$  (8)

where  $T(s) = -\frac{V_1(s)}{V_2(s)}$  for  $V_1(s) = 0$  &  $V_1'(s)$  replaced by  $V_2(s)$

$A_0(s) = \frac{Y_f(s)}{Y_i(s)}$  w/  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $A_{\infty}(s) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Y_f(s)}{Y_i(s)}$

$\therefore$  Block Diagram of (8):



where  $a(s), f(s)$  are any functions such that  $a(s)f(s) = T(s)$

### Observations:

- 1)  $T(s)$  in (8) same as that found by breaking feedback loop in (6), terminating breaking w/  $Z_f(s)$ , and injecting  $V_x$  (or  $i_x$ ) @ i/p of broken loop.

$\Rightarrow$  method always works provided (4) holds.

- 2) Can use Nyquist criterion (or PM, GM) to assess relative stability of FB loop in (8).

(If F.B. loop has marginal stability, (4) i.e. (5), also has marginal stability)



Note: For the version of the Nyquist plot

critereon presented previously, must have atleast as many poles as zeros.  
 (In DSP, Nyquist plot is not directly used).

Compensation: (Act of making more stable)

The problem: Given an amplifier and feedback network, how do we add or adjust components to achieve desired stability margin.

most often,  $T(s)$  satisfies:

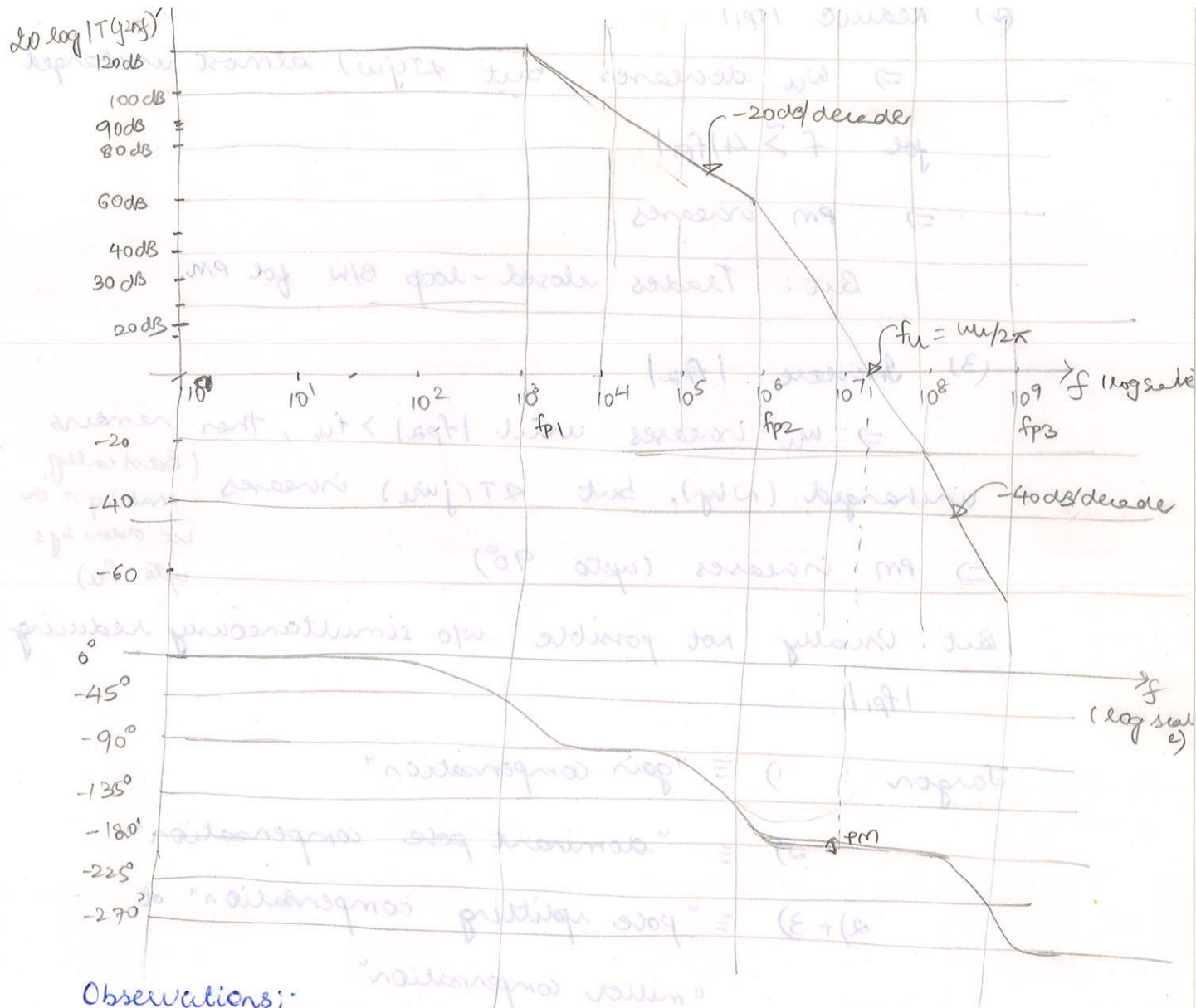
- (i)  $|4T(0)| < 1$  (negative feedback @ DC)
- (ii)  $T(s)$  has no R.H.P. poles (includes  $j\omega$  axis)
- (iii)  $|T(j\omega)| = 1$  has one positive solution,  $\omega = \omega_u$

(PLL doesn't satisfy above)

①  $\Rightarrow$  PM, GM valid indicators of stability margin.

Ex1  $T(s) = \frac{T_0}{(1-s/\omega_{p1})(1-s/\omega_{p2})(1-s/\omega_{p3})}$  ②

wt  $T_0 = 10^6$ ,  $f_{p1} = \frac{\omega_{p1}}{2\pi} = 10^3 \text{ Hz}$   
 $f_{p2} = 10^6 \text{ Hz}$ ;  $f_{p3} = 10^9 \text{ Hz}$



### Observations:

- (i) Both  $|T(jw)|$  and  $|T(jw)|$  decrease monotonically.
- (ii)  $PM \geq 40^\circ$  requires  $|fp2| > fu$ 
  1. Only 3 ways (compensation methods) to increase PM given  $T(s)$  has form of ②.
    - (a) Reduce  $T_o$  (moves  $f_u$  to left)
      - $\Rightarrow w_u$  decreases, but  $|T(jw)|$  unchanged  $\Rightarrow PM$  increases.
  - But: Trades closed loop accuracy for PM (feedback benefits require a large  $T_o$ )

(2) Reduce  $|T_{PI}|$

$\Rightarrow w_u$  decreases, but  $|T(jw)|$  almost unchanged  
for  $f \gg 4|f_{PI}|$

$\Rightarrow$  PM increases

But: Trades closed-loop B/W for PM.

(3) Increase  $|f_{PI}|$

$\Rightarrow w_u$  increases until  $|f_{PI}| > f_u$ , then remains  
unchanged (why), but  $|T(jw_u)|$  increases (Basically making it a  
1st order sys upto  $f_u$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  PM increases (upto  $90^\circ$ )

But: Usually not possible w/o simultaneously reducing  
 $|f_{PI}|$ .

Targon : 1)  $\equiv$  "gain compensation"

2)  $\equiv$  "dominant pole compensation"

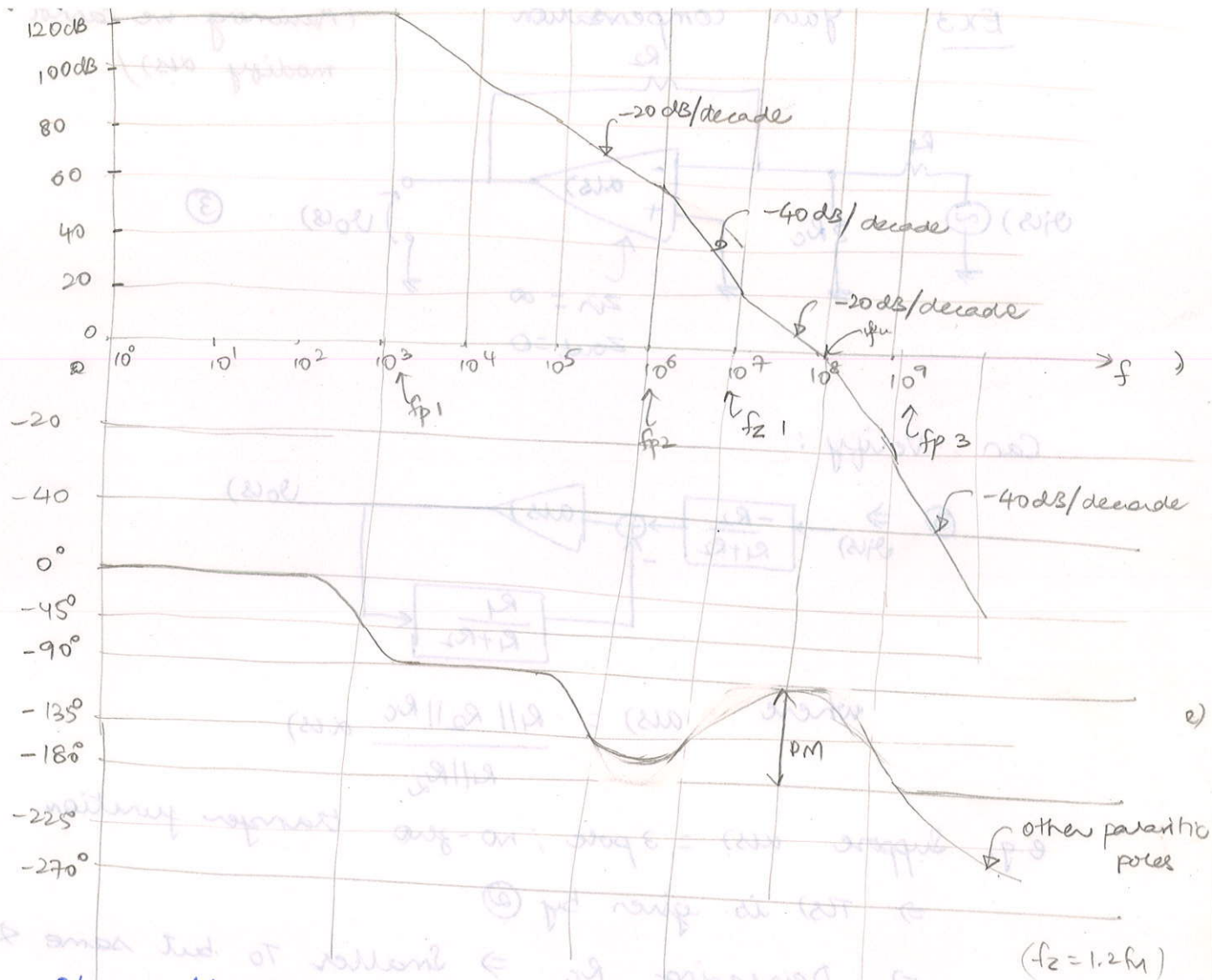
2) + 3)  $\equiv$  "pole splitting compensation" or  
"miller compensation"

Ex2 Suppose we can add a LHP zero to the  $T(s)$  given

by @ e.g. let  $T(s) = \underbrace{T(s)}_{\text{same } T(s) \text{ as in ex1}} (1 - s/w_{z1})$

$$f_{z1} = \frac{w_{z1}}{2\pi} = -10^7 \text{ Hz}$$



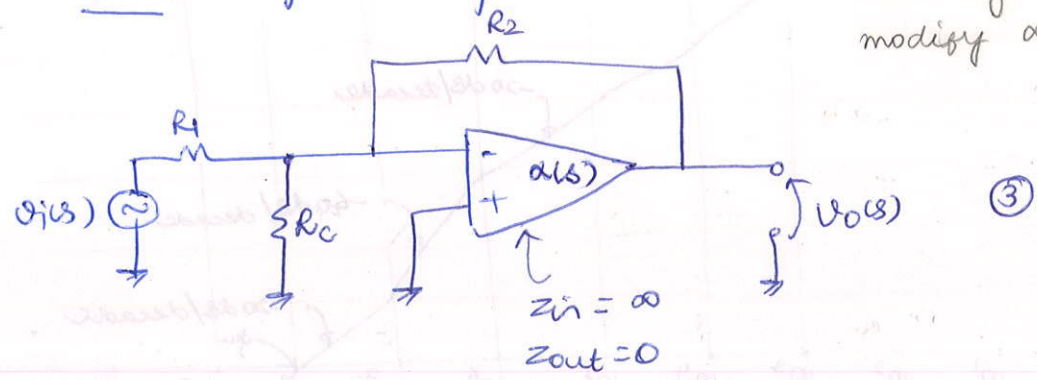


### Observations:

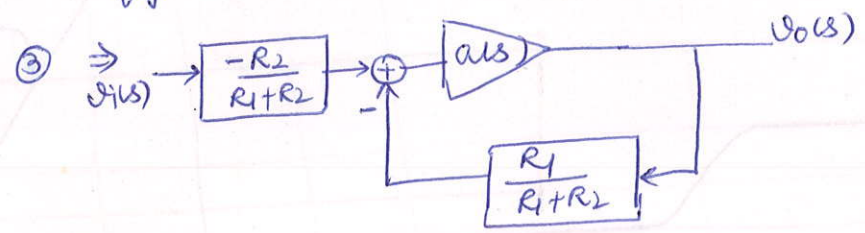
- (i) LHP zero added positive phase shift w/o significantly changing  $f_u$ 
    - ⇒ Increased PM
    - ⇒ Adding a LHP zero  $\equiv$  compensation strategy called "lead compensation"
  - (ii) A RHP zero would have decreased PM
- lead compensation used in 2-stage CMOS op-amps (soon)

### Ex3 gain compensation

(Assuming we cannot modify  $\alpha(s)$ )



Can Verify:



where 
$$\alpha(s) = \frac{R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel R_c}{R_1 \parallel R_2} \alpha(s)$$

e.g. Suppose  $\alpha(s) = 3 \text{ pole}$ , no-zero transfer function.

$\Rightarrow T(s)$  is given by (2)

$\Rightarrow$  Decreasing  $R_c \Rightarrow$  Smaller  $T_o$  but same  $\angle \pi \gamma \omega$  as before.

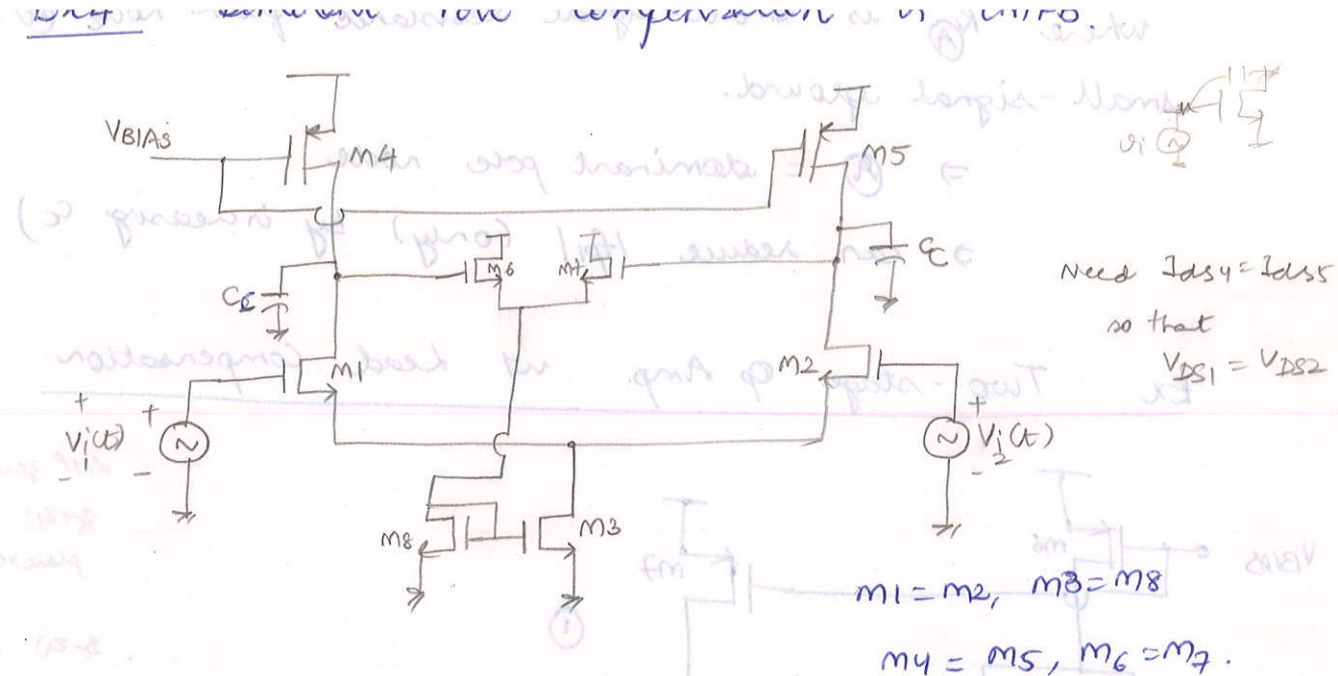
e.g. Suppose w/  $R_c = \infty$ ,  $T(s) =$  same as Ex 1

Then  $PM \cong 4^\circ$  (Very poor relative stability)

e.g. suppose  $R_1 = R_2$ , and  $R_c = \frac{R_1}{1000}$ . Then,

$PM \cong 35^\circ$ . But went from  $T_o = 70 \text{ dB}$  to  $T_o = 66 \text{ dB}$





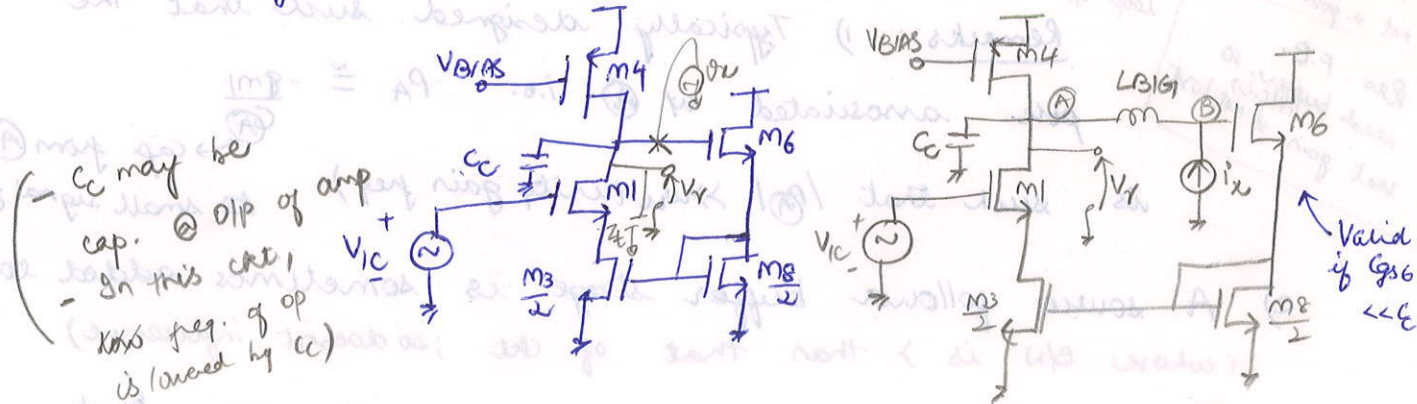
Exercise: Consider how  $C_c$  implements dominant pole comp.

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Recall: diff pair w/ CMFB diagram

CM  $\frac{1}{2}$  ckt. and  $T(s)$  measurement config.:-

C.M. large signal  $\frac{1}{2}$  ckt.:-



( $L_{big} \Rightarrow$  DC voltage at two terminals of  $L_{big}$  are the same but  $L_{big}$  blocks non-zero freq. components)

Note: Transimpedance from node A to all other nodes is small.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-1}{C_c R_A} = \text{pole of } T(s) \quad (C_c \text{ has little effect on other poles of } T(s))$$

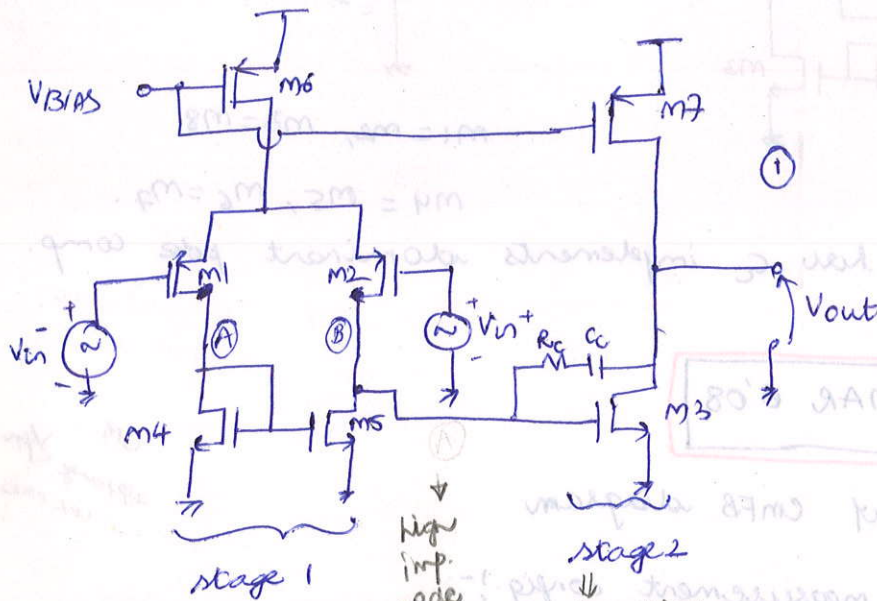


where  $R_A$  is small-signal resistance from node (A) to small-signal ground.

$\Rightarrow$  (A) = dominant pole node

$\Rightarrow$  can reduce  $|f_{p1}|$  (only) by increasing  $C_c$

## Ex Two-stage Op Amp w/ Lead Compensation



LHP zero

$\omega_{LHP} \approx \omega_{p1}$

phase  $> 0$

$\omega_{LHP} \approx \omega_{p1}$

phase  $\approx 180^\circ$

Compensates  
w/ initial gain  
not a good idea

Res. F.B.  
need buffer, so  
that gain is not lost

Compensation within  
loop b/w.

$\Rightarrow$  Good timing  
 $\Rightarrow$  Good SNR.

Remarks: 1) Typically designed such that the

pole associated w/ (A) i.e.  $P_A \approx -g_{m1}$

is, such that  $|P_A| \gg \omega_{unity\ gain\ freq.}$

(A)  $\rightarrow$  cap from (A)  
to small signal gnd.

2) A source follower buffer stage is sometimes added to (1)  
(whose B/W is  $>$  than that of ckt; so doesn't influence)

3) Could replace PMOSs by NMOSs & vice versa but  
PMOSs have better  $1/f$  noise performance, so (1)

was shown has better  $1/f$  noise (why?)

Wnoise should be lower in 1st stage.

First consider - w/  $R_C = 0$

Using previous results & remark ①:

① has 2 significant poles  $p_1$  &  $p_2$  and 1 significant zero  $z_1$ , given by

$$p_1 \approx - \frac{1}{R_1 C_1} \quad \text{② where } R_1 = r_{ds2} \parallel r_{as5}$$

$$g_{m3} R_2 C_2$$

$$R_2 = r_{ds3} \parallel r_{as7}$$

and  $C_c \gg C_{gd}$  is assumed.

$$p_2 \approx - \frac{g_{m3} C_c}{C_{d3} C_{gs3}' + C_c (C_{d3} + C_{gs3}')} \quad \text{③ where } C_{d3} = \text{total cap. from o/p to ground}$$

$$C_{d3} C_{gs3}' + C_c (C_{d3} + C_{gs3}')$$

from  $m_3, m_7$  & any load

$$\approx - \frac{g_{m3}}{C_{d3}} \quad \text{(often)}$$

$$z_1 \approx \frac{g_{m3}}{C_c} \quad \text{④}$$

$\therefore p_1$  = dominant pole (sets open-loop B/W)

$p_2$  = non-dominant pole (w/  $p_1$  sets open-loop phase shift @ unity gain freq.)

$z_1$  = RHP zero (adds negative phase shift - just like a LHP pole)

e.g.  $g_{m3} = 1.10^{-3} \Omega^{-1}$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = 100k\Omega$ ,  $A_{v01} = 70$  (=DC gain of stage 1)

$$C_{d3} = C_{gs3}' = 350fF, \quad C_c = 1pF \quad \text{⑤}$$

$$\text{②} - \text{⑤} \Rightarrow p_1 = -100 \times 10^3 \text{ rad/s} \quad (-16 \text{ kHz})$$

$$p_2 = -1.2 \times 10^9 \text{ rad/s} \quad (-191 \text{ MHz})$$

$$z_1 = 10^9 \text{ rad/s} \quad (+159 \text{ MHz})$$



$$A_{v_{o2}} (\equiv \text{DC gain of stage 2}) = -g_{m3} R_{L2} = -100$$

$$A_v(s) \approx \frac{7000 (1 - s/10^9)}{(1 + s/10^5) (1 + s/1.2 \times 10^9)}$$

$$\omega_{u2} = \omega_u \approx 7.1 \times 10^8 \text{ rad/s} \quad (113 \text{ MHz}) \quad (\text{Verify})$$

$$\angle A_v(j\omega_u) = \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{7.1 \times 10^8}{10^5} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{7.1 \times 10^8}{10^5} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{7.1 \times 10^8}{1.2 \times 10^9} \right)$$

$$\approx \underbrace{-35.4^\circ}_{\text{Zero}} - \underbrace{90^\circ}_{\text{dom. pole.}} - \underbrace{30.6^\circ}_{\text{non-dom pole}} = -156^\circ$$

If  $f(s) = 1$ , then  $\pi(s) = A_v(s)$ , so  $\text{PM} = 180^\circ - |-156^\circ| = 24^\circ$   
(low Phase margin)

If  $f(s) = 0.1$  say,  
then we may get good P.M.

Optimal Phase margin: ?

Note:- 1) Increasing  $C_c$  reduces negative phase shift from  $p_2$  to  $\omega_u$   
but increases " " " from  $z_1$  to  $\omega_u$ .

(because  $\omega_u$  decreases but so does  $z_1$ )

2) Situation is actually worse than calculated because of pole @ (A).

Heuristics: 1) As  $\omega$  increases, feed-forward path through  $C_c$  begins to dominate gain path - i.e. polarity. through  $m_3$ . 2) Gain path through  $m_3$  has  $180^\circ$  phase shift.) but the feedforward path through  $C_c$  has phase  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ .

(This prob. is due to zero)

$\Rightarrow$  As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ , have positive feedback.



Now consider w/  $R_C > 0$ . (What is range of  $R_C$  negd. that is used by hand?)

Can show,  $R_C \neq 0 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{have } z_1 \approx \frac{1}{C_C (\frac{1}{g_{m3}} - R_C)} \\ \text{have a 3rd pole, } p_3 \end{array} \right. \quad (6)$

Usually: 1)  $|p_3| \gg |p_1|, |p_2|, |z_1|$ , so can ignore  $p_3$   
 2)  $p_1, p_2$  are hardly affected by  $R_C$ . (7)

(6)  $\Rightarrow R_C > \frac{1}{g_{m3}} \Rightarrow z_1$  "moves" to LHP  
 $\Rightarrow z_1$  contributes positive phase shift

Fact: (7) breaks down for very large  $R_C$

Typical rule of thumb: Choose  $R_C$  such that  $|z_1| \approx 1.2 \omega_u$  (8)

(6) & (8)  $\Rightarrow 1.2 \omega_u \approx \left| \frac{1}{C_C (\frac{1}{g_{m3}} - R_C)} \right|$

$\therefore R_C = \frac{1}{g_{m3}} + \frac{1}{1.2 \omega_u C_C} \quad (9) \quad (\text{for } R_C > 1/g_{m3})$

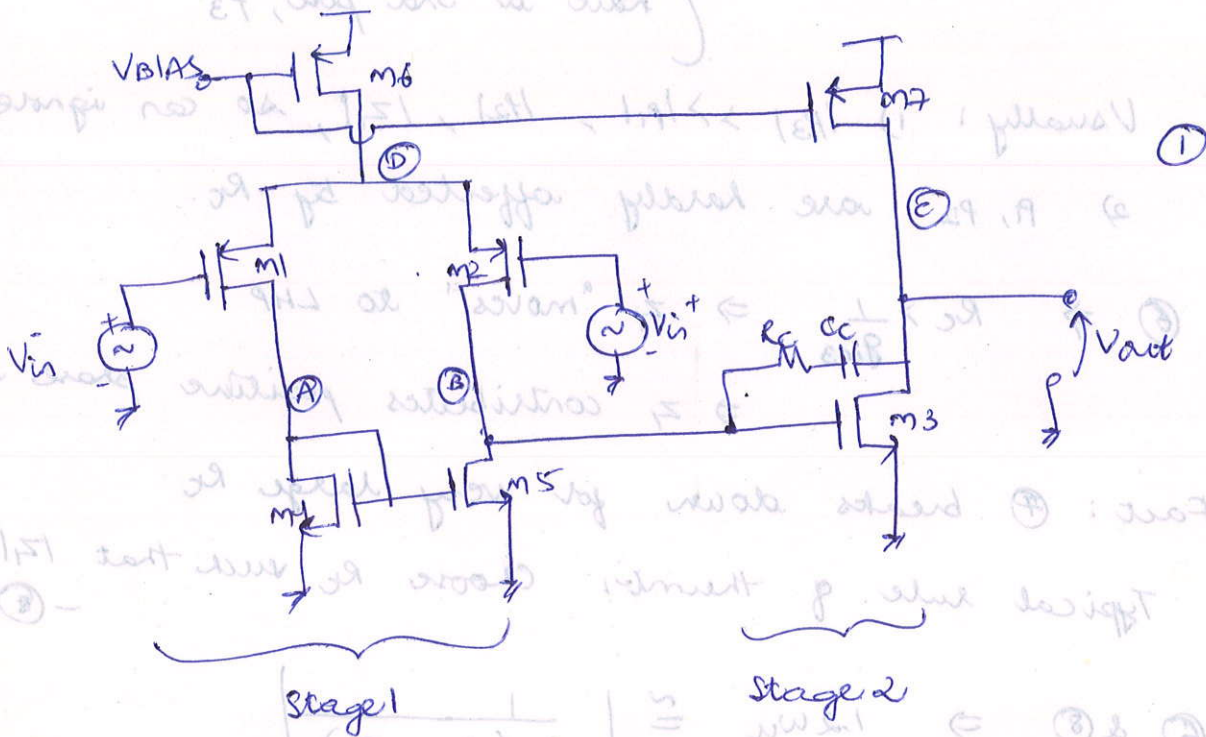
e.g. Using (5) & (9)  $\Rightarrow R_C = 2.17 \text{ k}\Omega$

Now  $\angle A_v(j\omega_u) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\omega_u}{1.2 \omega_u} \right) - 90^\circ - 30.6^\circ \approx -80.8^\circ$

$\therefore$  New PM for  $f_{LS} = 1$   $\therefore \text{PM} \approx 99.2^\circ$

$\Rightarrow$  Can afford to reduce  $C_C$  ( $\Rightarrow$  increases BW) to reduce PM (typ. want PM  $> 65^\circ$ )

Two stage op-amp. (contd.) :- (back in vogue)  
high gain w/o stacking)



1) common-mode rejection of stage ①

⇒ usually can neglect pole associated w/ node ① when considering DM behavior of op amp.

(Non-linearity of  $M1$  &  $M2$ ;  $r_{ds}$ ,  $m1$  &  $m2$  cause deviation from this, where  $D$  no longer acts as virtual gnd.)

2) Usually designed  $\phi$  such that pole associated w/ ①:

$$\text{i.e. } \phi_A \cong -\frac{g_{m4}}{\phi_A}$$

is ST.  $|\phi_A| \gg \omega_u$

Then  $m2$ ,  $m5$ ,  $m3$ ,  $m7$ ,  $R_f$ ,  $C_c$  determine  $\phi_m$  when

① is used in F.B. system.



3) Previously found:

$$A_v(j\omega) = \frac{v_{out}(j\omega)}{v_{in}^+(j\omega) - v_{in}^-(j\omega)}$$

$$\approx \frac{(g_{m1}R_1)(g_{m3}R_2)(1-j\omega/\omega_{z1})}{(1-j\omega/\omega_{p1})(1-j\omega/\omega_{p2})}$$

where  $R_1 = r_{ds2} || r_{ds5}$ ,  $R_2 = r_{ds3} || r_{ds7}$

$$p_1 \approx -\frac{1}{g_{m3}R_1R_2C_c} \quad (\text{dominant pole}) \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

Figure dominant pole using ZTC

$$p_2 \approx -\frac{g_{m3}}{C_{ds3} + C_{gs3}} \quad (\text{first non-dom pole}) \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

$$z_1 \approx \frac{1}{C_c \left( \frac{1}{g_{m3}} - R_c \right)} \quad (\text{dom zero}) \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

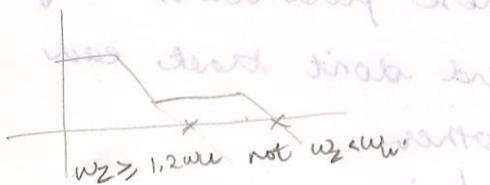
Note:  $\textcircled{4} - \textcircled{6}$  hold for typical design parameters.

4)  $p_1 \Rightarrow$  3dB BW and introduces  $-90^\circ$  phase

doesn't have effect on P.M.

@  $\omega_u$

$p_2, z_1 \Rightarrow$  PM (i.e. PM varies with  $p_2, z_1$ ; not with  $p_1$ )



assumes  $|p_2|, |z_1| \gg 10|p_1|$  (generally true)

5)  $R_c$  chosen s.t.  $z_1$  is LHP  $\Rightarrow$  introduces positive phase shift @  $\omega_u$ .

Targan: PM of an open-loop op-amp. (= PM of op-amp w/ unity gain F.B. to worst case)

$$\approx 180^\circ + \angle A_v(j\omega_u)$$

Why? When connected as a voltage follower, i.e.  $f=1$ , (hardest non-attenuating config. to compensate) loop gain  $\approx T(j\omega) = A_v(j\omega)$

Usually,  $|P_{21}|, |Z_1| > \omega_u$

same order of magnitude.

$$\therefore \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow |A_{\omega} y_{\omega u}| \approx \left| g_{m1} g_{m3} R_1 R_2 \frac{1}{1 - j \frac{\omega u}{P_1}} \right|$$

$$\approx g_{m1} g_{m3} R_1 R_2 \left| \frac{P_1}{j \omega u} \right|$$

$$\therefore \textcircled{4} \Rightarrow \approx \left| \frac{g_{m1}}{C_c j \omega u} \right|$$

$$\therefore |A_{\omega} y_{\omega u}| = 1 \Rightarrow \omega u \approx \frac{g_{m1}}{C_c} \quad \textcircled{7}$$

$$PM = 180^\circ - \tan^{-1} \frac{\omega u}{Z_1} + \tan^{-1} \frac{\omega u}{P_2} - 90^\circ \quad \textcircled{8}$$

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one has to increase PM

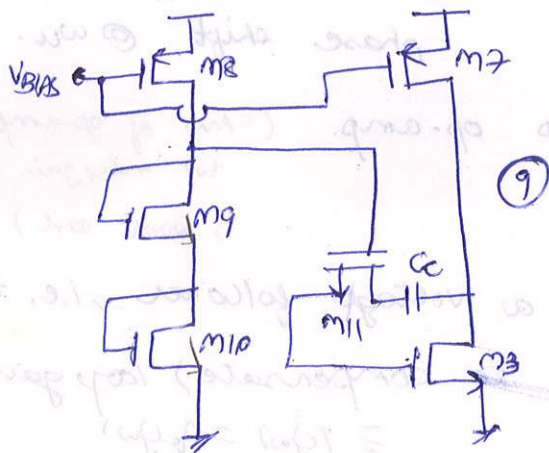
$\therefore \omega u \approx -\tan^{-1} \frac{\omega u}{Z_1}$  by A.

Problem: How to maintain constant PM across temp. / process / supply voltage variations?

$\textcircled{5} - \textcircled{8} \Rightarrow PM$  depends on  $g_{m1}, g_{m3}, C_{d3}, C_{gs}, C_c, R_c$

These parameters vary and don't track each other.

A solution: Replace stage 2 of  $\textcircled{1}$  by:



$$\omega_1 \frac{W_7/L_7}{W_3/L_3} = \frac{W_8/L_8}{W_{10}/L_{10}} \quad \textcircled{10}$$

$m_{11}$  biased by  $m_8 - m_{10} \approx R_c$

$m_{11}$  has no DC current

$\Rightarrow m_{11}$  is in triode



$$\Rightarrow R_c \cong \frac{\mu_n \text{cox} (W_1/L_1) (V_{DS1} - V_{TN})}{V_{eff11}}$$

$$g_{m3} = \mu_n \text{cox} (W_3/L_3) V_{eff3}$$

$$\therefore R_c g_{m3} = \frac{(W_3/L_3) V_{eff3}}{(W_1/L_1) V_{eff11}} \quad (11)$$

$$(5) \Rightarrow Z_1 = \frac{g_{m3}}{C_c \left[ 1 - \left[ \frac{W_3/L_3}{W_1/L_1} \frac{V_{eff3}}{V_{eff11}} \right] \right]} \quad (12)$$

$$(7) \& (12) \Rightarrow \frac{W_1}{Z_1} = \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m3}} \left[ 1 - \frac{W_3/L_3}{W_1/L_1} \frac{V_{eff3}}{V_{eff11}} \right]$$

$$(5), (6), (7) \Rightarrow \frac{W_1}{R_2} = \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m3}} \frac{C_{d3} + C_{gs3}}{C_c}$$

$$\frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m3}} = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu_p \text{cox} (W_1/L_1) I_{D1}}{2\mu_n \text{cox} (W_3/L_3) I_{D3}}}$$

- Facts :
- 1)  $\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \cong \text{const.}$  for a given process
  - 2)  $\frac{I_{D1}}{I_{D3}} \cong \text{const.}$  because derived from a common bias network.  $\Rightarrow \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m3}} \cong \text{const.}$
  - 3)  $\frac{C_{d3} + C_{gs3}}{C_c} \neq \text{const.}$  - but does not vary much over process & temp because dominated by oxide cap.

$\therefore PM \cong \text{const.}$  provided  $V_{eff3}/V_{eff11} \cong \text{const.}$

(10)  $\Rightarrow V_{eff10} = V_{eff3}$

$$V_{eff9} = V_{eff11}$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{eff3}}{V_{eff11}} = \frac{V_{eff10}}{V_{eff9}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2I_{D10}}{\mu_{nCOX}(W_{10}/L_{10})}}}{\sqrt{\frac{2I_{D9}}{\mu_{nCOX}(W_9/L_9)}}}$$

$$\left[ \frac{\frac{I_{D10}}{W_{10}/L_{10}}}{\frac{I_{D9}}{W_9/L_9}} - 1 \right] = \sqrt{\frac{W_{10}/L_{10}}{W_9/L_9}} = \text{ratio of like quantities.}$$

$\therefore PM \cong \text{indep. of process \& temp.}$

$$\left[ \frac{\frac{I_{D10}}{W_{10}/L_{10}}}{\frac{I_{D9}}{W_9/L_9}} - 1 \right] \frac{I_{MB}}{I_{MB}} = \frac{W_{10}}{W_9}$$

$$\frac{I_{D10} + I_{D9}}{I_{D9}} \frac{I_{MB}}{I_{MB}} = \frac{W_{10}}{W_9}$$

$$\frac{I_{D10} (W_{10}/L_{10})}{I_{D9} (W_9/L_9)} = \frac{I_{MB}}{I_{MB}}$$

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