

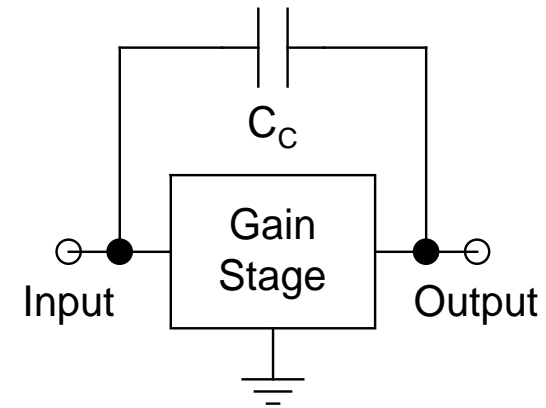
Normal Line: Open-loop system
Red Line: Compensated system for unconditional stability
Blue Line: Compensated system with conditional stability
 (till a feedback of 40 dB)

- ❖ Note that in order to achieve *unconditional stability* of the system, the *bandwidth* has *reduced drastically* from *1 Mrad/sec* to only *10 rad/sec*!
- ❖ *This is the most severe limitation of the DPC technique*
- *For conditional stability:*
 - ❖ The *previous compensation scheme* ensured *system stability* for ω all the way *up to unity* (corresponding to the *amount of feedback* of *100 dB*, i.e., the *entire output is fed back to the input*)
 - ❖ In some cases, it may be an *overkill*, if it is known *a priori* that the *entire output* will *NOT* be *fed back* to the *input*, *rather only a part of it*
 - ❖ This is what is known as *conditional stability*
 - ❖ Suppose that the *maximum amount of feedback* that the system would have is *40 dB*

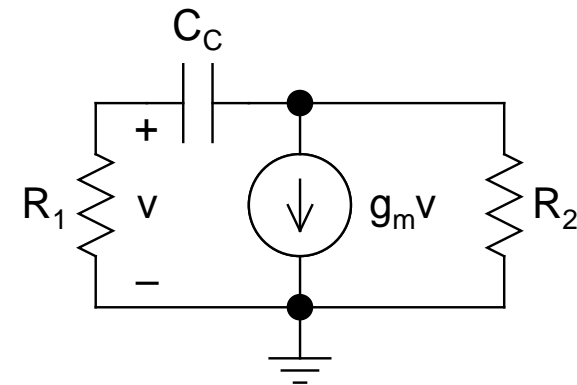
- ❖ For this system to be *stable*, the *DP frequency need not be at ω_d , but at a higher value*
- ❖ To construct the *compensation characteristic* of this system, draw a *horizontal line* AA', corresponding to the *amount of feedback* (*40 dB in our example $\Rightarrow A_f = 60$ dB*)
- ❖ From the *intersection point* (B) of this *line* with the *first pole* (ω_1), *go back 2 decades* ($40/20$), to get the *new dominant pole* ω_{d1} at *10 krad/sec* (shown by the *blue line*)
- ❖ This *compensation scheme protects the system from any stability issues only till a maximum feedback of 40 dB, by ensuring* that *from 0 to 40 dB of feedback, no other pole will be encountered, apart from ω_{d1}*
- ❖ Note the *tremendous bandwidth improvement* of *1000 times* (*from 10 rad/sec for unconditional stability to 10 krad/sec for conditional stability till a feedback of 40 dB*)

➤ **Technique:**

- **Simplest way:** Attach a capacitor between the input and output of the gain stage (similar to Miller Capacitor)
- This capacitor is labeled as the **Compensation Capacitor** (C_C)



Schematic



Equivalent Circuit

- *By inspection*, the equivalent circuit can be identified as a *Three-Legged Creature*:

$$\Rightarrow R_C^0 = R_1 + R_2 + g_m R_1 R_2$$

$R_1 =$ *Effective total resistance on the left of C_C*

$R_2 =$ *Effective total resistance on the right of C_C*

$g_m =$ *Transconductance of the gain stage*

- Thus:

$$\omega_d = 1 / (R_C^0 C_C)$$

- *From a knowledge of ω_d , we can find C_C*

- *Pole Zero Compensation (PZC):*
 - In the *DPC technique*, we observed a *drastic reduction* in *bandwidth* after *compensation*
 - *PZC technique alleviates this problem to some extent*
 - *Novelty of this technique:*
 - *It adds both a pole and a zero to the open-loop transfer function, with the added zero canceling the first pole of the uncompensated system*

- Consider a *three-pole uncompensated transfer function*:

$$A(s)\big|_{\text{uncompensated}} = \frac{A_0}{(1 + s/\omega_1)(1 + s/\omega_2)(1 + s/\omega_3)}$$

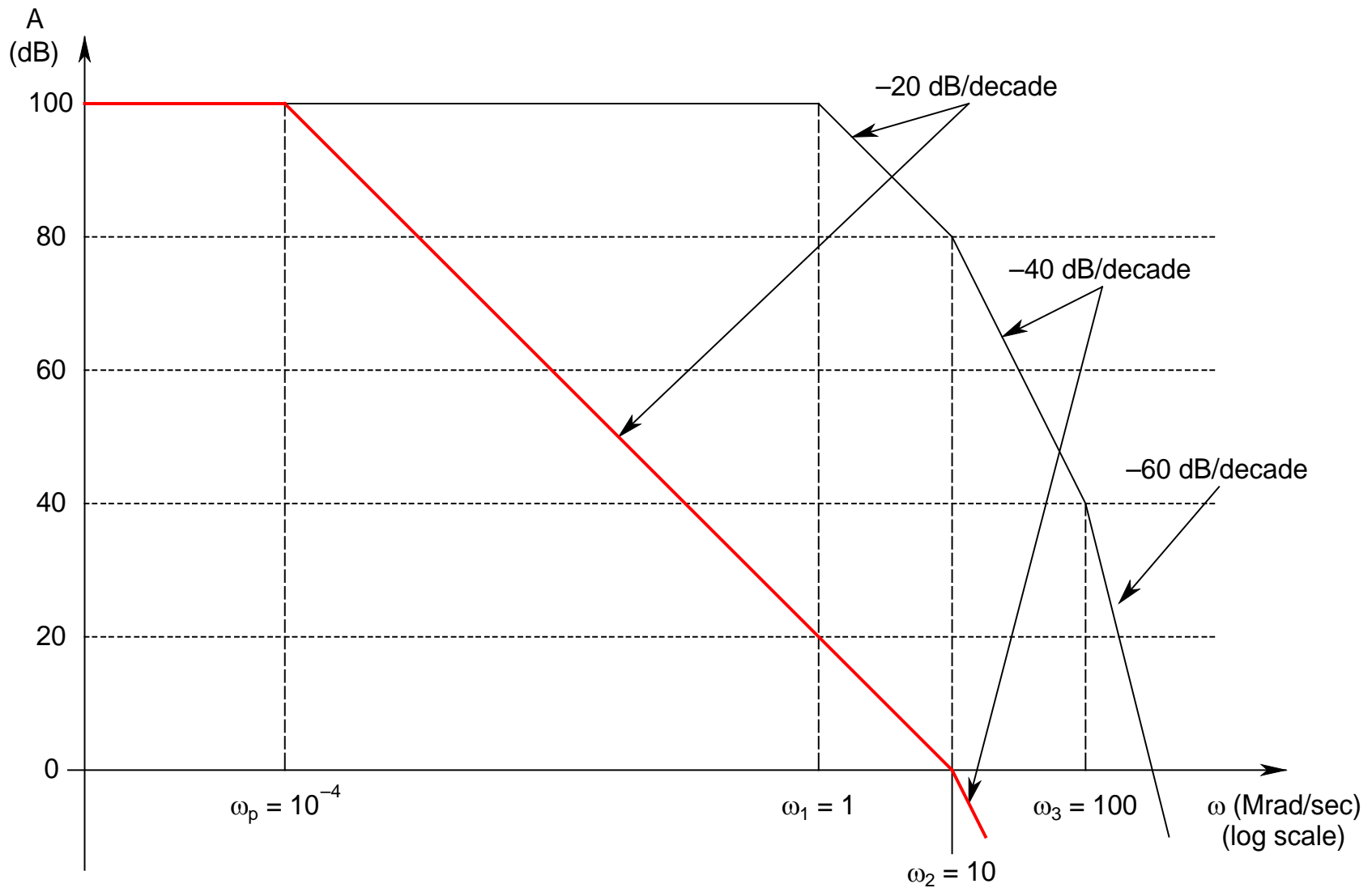
A_0 : *Low-Frequency Gain*

$\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$: *Pole Frequencies* ($\omega_3 > \omega_2 > \omega_1$)

- *After adding the network for PZC*, the *compensated transfer function* will be:

$$A(s)\big|_{\text{compensated}} = \frac{A_0 (1 + s/\omega_z)}{(1 + s/\omega_p)(1 + s/\omega_1)(1 + s/\omega_2)(1 + s/\omega_3)}$$

- ω_z : *added zero*, and ω_p : *added pole*
- *By design*, ω_z is made equal to ω_1
 \Rightarrow *They cancel each other*
 - Thus, the *compensated transfer function* still has *three poles*, but the *first pole gets shifted from ω_1 to ω_p*
 - *The procedure for finding ω_p is the same as that for the DPC technique*
 - We take the *same example* as that considered for the *DPC technique*
 - Refer to the next slide



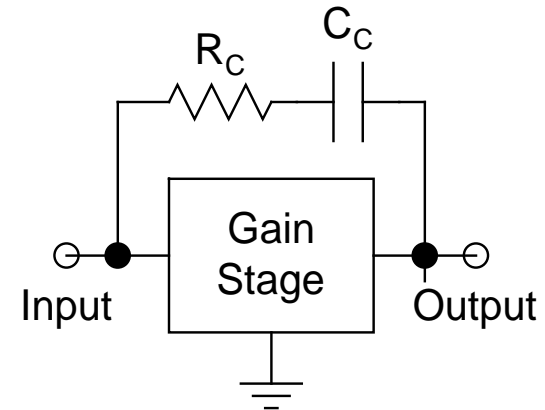
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- Here, the *added zero* (ω_z) *cancels* the *first pole* (ω_1)
- Thus, we now *start from* ω_2 and *go back 5 decades* to find ω_p , which comes out to be *100 rad/sec* (refer to the *red line*)
- The *compensated system* will be *unconditionally stable* with *PM of 45°* (*since ω_3 is ten times away from ω_2*)
- The *increase in bandwidth*, *as compared to DPC*, is *10 times* (*from 10 rad/sec to 100 rad/sec: equal to the ratio of ω_2 and ω_1*)

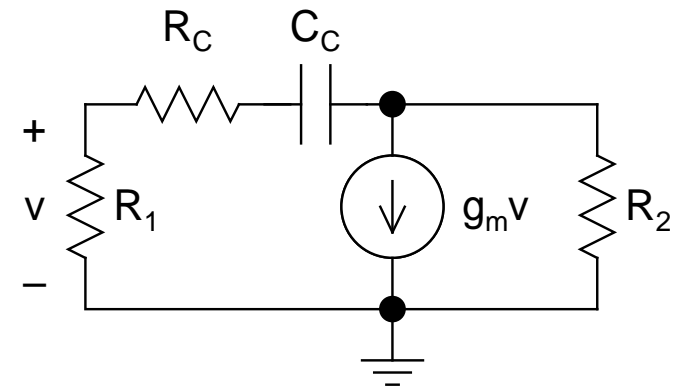
➤ **Technique:**

- *Just attach a resistor R_C with the compensation capacitor C_C*
- *Put this R_C - C_C network between the input and output of the gain stage*
- Show that the **transfer function** of the **compensated system** is of the form:

$$A(s) \Big|_{\text{compensated}} \propto \frac{1 + s(R_C - 1/g_m)C_C}{1 + s(R_C + R_2)C_C}$$



Schematic



Equivalent Circuit

- Here

$$\omega_z = 1/[(R_C - 1/g_m)C_C]$$

$$\omega_p = 1/[(R_C + R_2)C_C]$$

- *Choose R_C and C_C such that*
 - ❖ *ω_z is equal to ω_1 (the first pole of the uncompensated system)*
 - ❖ *ω_p is as found from the example given*