Stability

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- 1.1. An op amp designed to have a low-frequency gain of 10⁵ and a high-frequency response dominated by a single pole at 100 rad/s, acquires, through a manufacturing error, a pair of additional poles at 10,000 rad/s.
 - a) At what frequency does the total phase shift reach 180°?
 - b) At this frequency, for what value of H, assumed to be frequency independent, does the loop gain reach a value of unity?
 - c) What is the corresponding value of closed-loop gain at low frequencies?

Solution:

$$G(s) = \frac{G_0}{1 + \frac{s}{p}} \tag{1.1.1}$$

Considering manufacturing error

$$G(s) = \frac{G_0}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{p}\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{p_{error}}\right)}$$
(1.1.2)

 $G_0 = \text{Low Frequency Gain} = 10^5$

$$p = 100$$
 (1.1.4)

(1.1.3)

$$p_{error} = 10^4$$
 (1.1.5)

$$G(s) = \frac{10^5}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{100}\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{10^4}\right)^2}$$
 (1.1.6)

$$\Delta G(j\omega) = -\tan^{-1}\frac{\omega}{100} - 2\tan^{-1}\frac{\omega}{10^4} \quad (1.1.7)$$

1.2. Calculating the frequency at which the total phase shift reach 180°

At
$$\omega_{180}$$
, $\angle G(j\omega_{180}) = -180^{\circ}$

Also $\omega_{180} >> 100$

$$180^{\circ} = 90^{\circ} + 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega_{180}}{10^4} \right) \quad (1.2.1)$$

$$\tan^{-1}\frac{\omega_{180}}{10^4} = 45^{\circ} \tag{1.2.2}$$

$$\frac{\omega_{180}}{10^4} = \tan 45^\circ = 1 \tag{1.2.3}$$

$$\omega_{180} = 10^4 rad/s \tag{1.2.4}$$

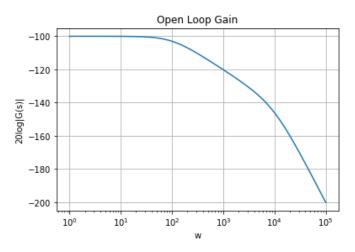


Fig. 1.2: Open Loop Gain

1.3. Calculating feedback factor H for which loop gain at ω_{180} is unity

Loop Gain =
$$G(s)H = 1$$
 (1.3.1)

$$\frac{10^5 H}{\sqrt{1^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_{180}}{10^2}\right)^2} \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{\omega_{180}}{10^4}\right)^2}} = 1 \quad (1.3.2)$$

$$H = 0.002 \quad (1.3.3)$$

1.4. Calculating the closed loop gain at low frequency Let T(s) be the closed loop Transfer Function.

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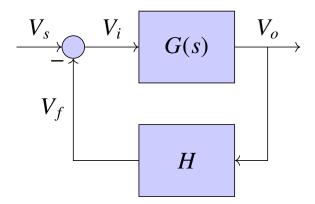
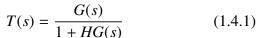


Fig. 1.4: Closed loop circuit



$$T(s) = \frac{G(s)}{1 + HG(s)}$$

$$T(s) = \frac{10^5}{1 + H10^5 + \frac{s}{100}}$$
(1.4.1)

$$|T(s)| = \frac{10^5}{\sqrt{(200)^2 + \left(\frac{s}{100}\right)^2}}$$
(1.4.3)

At low frequencies

$$|T(s)| = 500V/V$$
 (1.4.4)

Parameter	Value
ω_{180}	$10^4 rad/s$
Н	0.002
H(0)	500V/V

TABLE 1.4: Obtained Parameters

The following code performs all the calculations of above equations

The following code plots the open loop gains, closed loop gains and step response to the system

1.5. Designing the circuit for transfer function T(s)

1) Designing G(s)

Let us assume Op-Amp to be ideal. So this means $V_1 = 0$ Applying KCL at node V_1

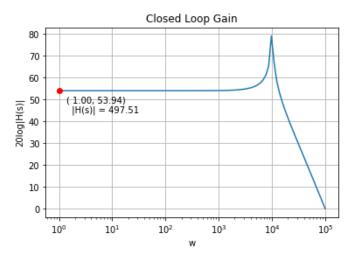


Fig. 1.4: Closed Loop Gain

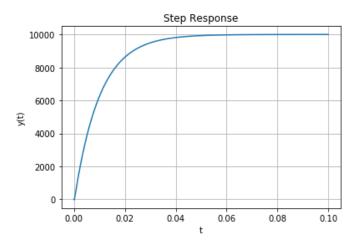


Fig. 1.4: Step Response

$$I_{in} = I_{C_1} + I_{R_2} (1.5.1)$$

$$\frac{V_{in}}{R_1} = \frac{V_{o1}}{R_2} + C_1 \frac{dV_{out}}{dt}$$
 (1.5.2)

In Laplace domain

$$\frac{V_{in}(s)}{R_1} = \frac{V_{o1}(s)}{R_2} + C_1 s V_{out}(s)$$
 (1.5.3)

$$\frac{V_{o1}}{V_{in}} = \frac{R_2/R_1}{1 + sR_2C_1} \tag{1.5.4}$$

$$\frac{V_{o1}}{V_{in}} = \frac{10^5}{1 + \frac{s}{100}} \tag{1.5.5}$$

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1} = 10^5 \tag{1.5.6}$$

$$R_2C_1 = \frac{1}{100} \tag{1.5.7}$$

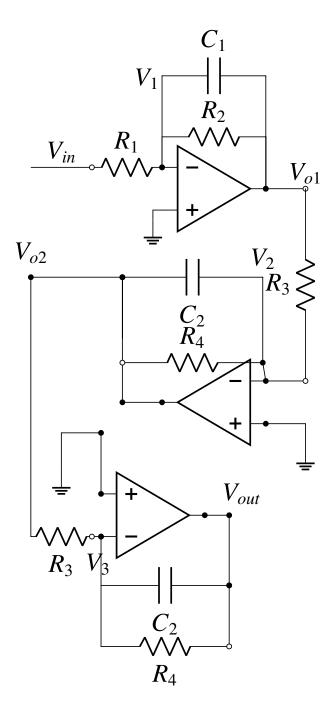


Fig. 1.5: Open Loop design

As shown in 1.5 for the two identical poles at 10000 rad/sec we place similar op amp circuits twice.

Solving the circuit for second pole

$$\frac{V_{o1}(s)}{R_3} = \frac{V_{o2}(s)}{R_4} + C_2 s V_{out}(s)$$
 (1.5.8)

$$\frac{\dot{V}_{o2}}{V_{o1}} = \frac{R_4/R_3}{1 + sR_4C_2} \tag{1.5.9}$$

$$\frac{V_{o2}}{V_{o1}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{10000}} \tag{1.5.10}$$

$$\frac{R_4}{R_3} = 1 \tag{1.5.11}$$

$$R_4 C_2 = \frac{1}{10000} \tag{1.5.12}$$

2) Designing H(s) = H

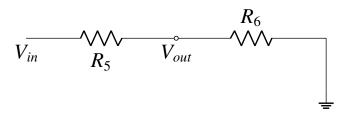


Fig. 1.5: Loop Gain

$$V_{out} = V_{in} \left(\frac{R_6}{R_5 + R_6} \right) \tag{1.5.13}$$

$$\frac{R_6}{R_5 + R_6} = 0.002 \tag{1.5.14}$$

$$R_6 = 0.002R_5 \tag{1.5.15}$$

3) Closed loop design

Figure 1.5 is the final closed loop design for transfer function T(s)

Parameter	Value
R_1	R
R_2	$10^5 R$
C_1	$10^{-7}/R$
R_3	R'
R_4	R'
C_2	$10^{-4}/R'$
R_5	R''
R_6	0.002R''

TABLE 1.5: Circuit Parameters

The table 1.5 provides the parameters for our circuit design.

The arbitrary parameters can be selected based on practical availability.

1.6. Verification of closed loop circuit design through SPICE

A SPICE simulation of circuit 1.5 is done by providing a DC input(Unit Step Input).

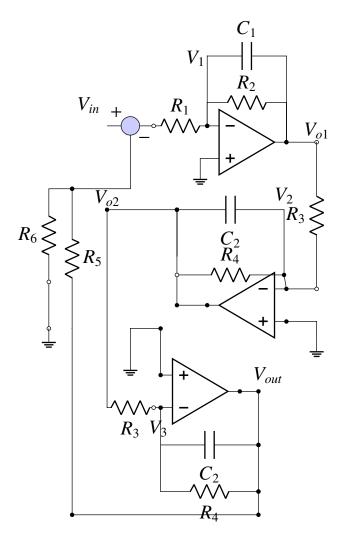


Fig. 1.5: Closed Loop Circuit

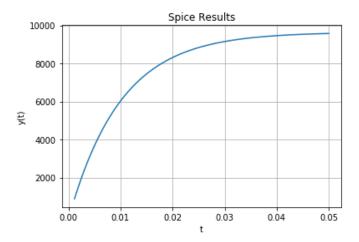


Fig. 1.6: SPICE simulation of circuit 1.5

The obtained plot (figure 1.6) is similar to the Step response of the feedback system in figure 1.4. Hence we verify our design is correct.

The following code plots the SPICE simulation results from SPICE plot txt file and spice .net file

codes/spice/plotter.py

codes/spice/spice.net

For instructions to run the spice simulation please refer

codes/spice/readme.md