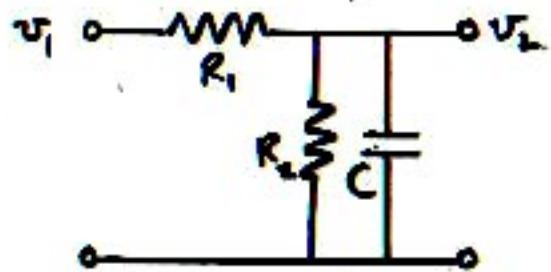


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**NORMAL AND INVERTED
POLES AND ZEROS**

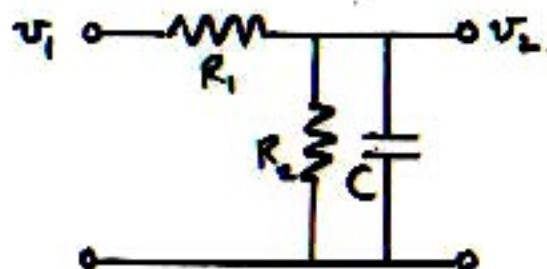
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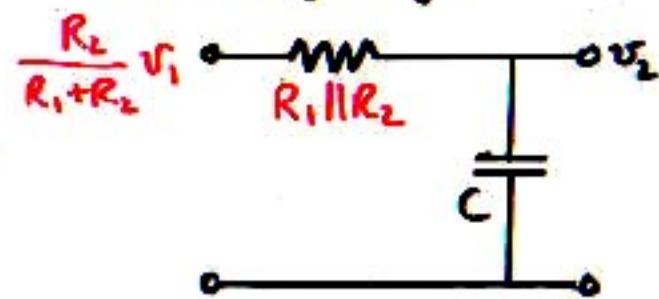
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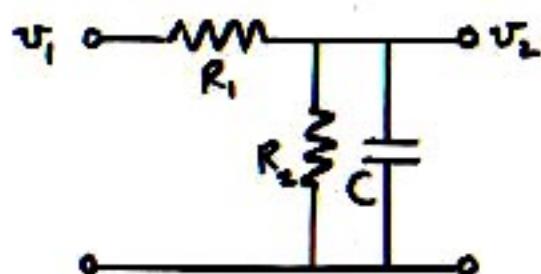
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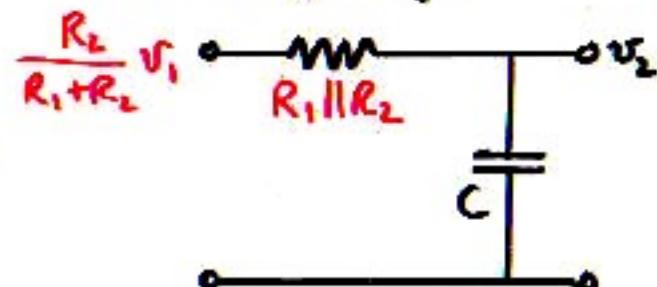
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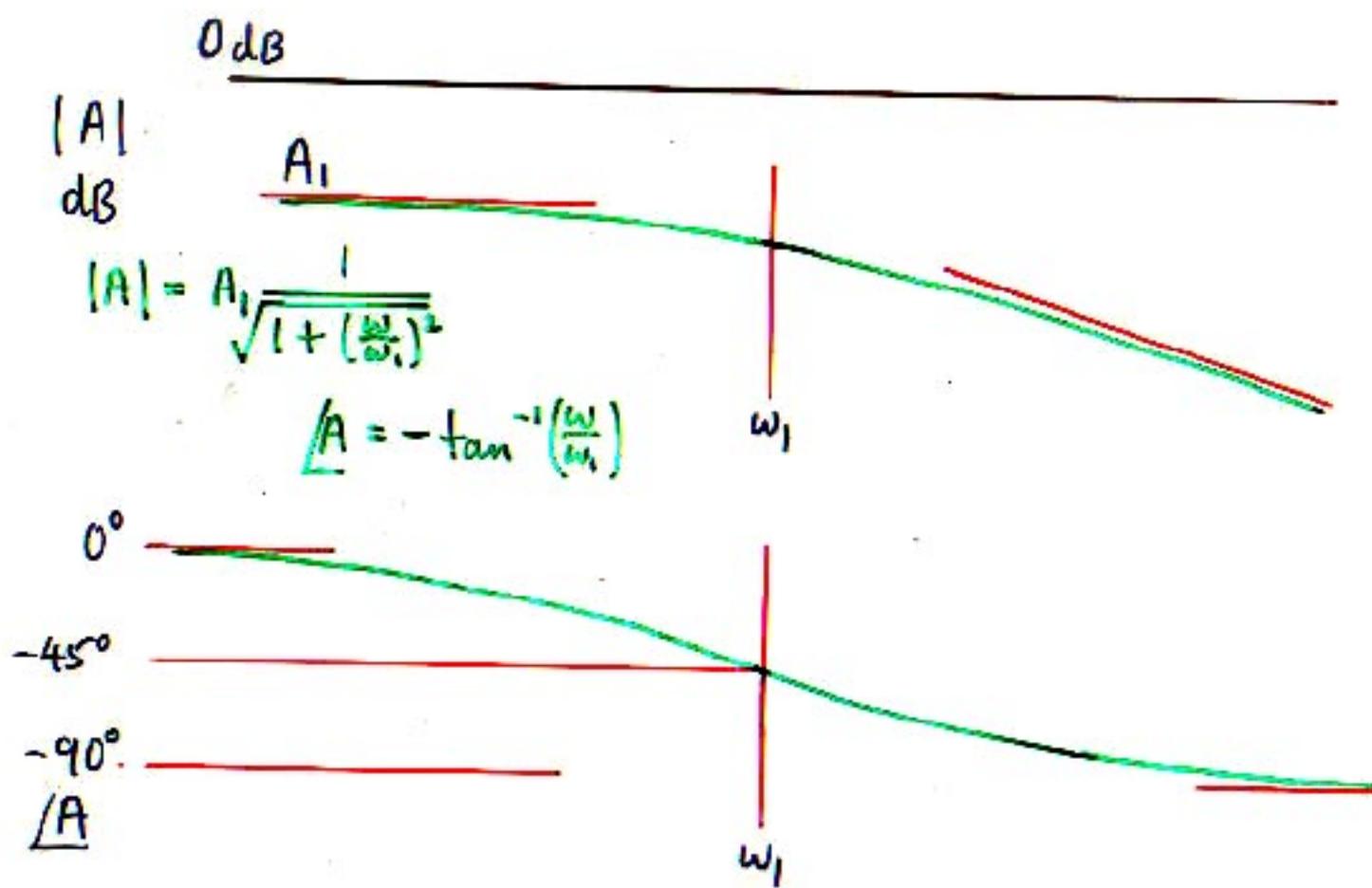
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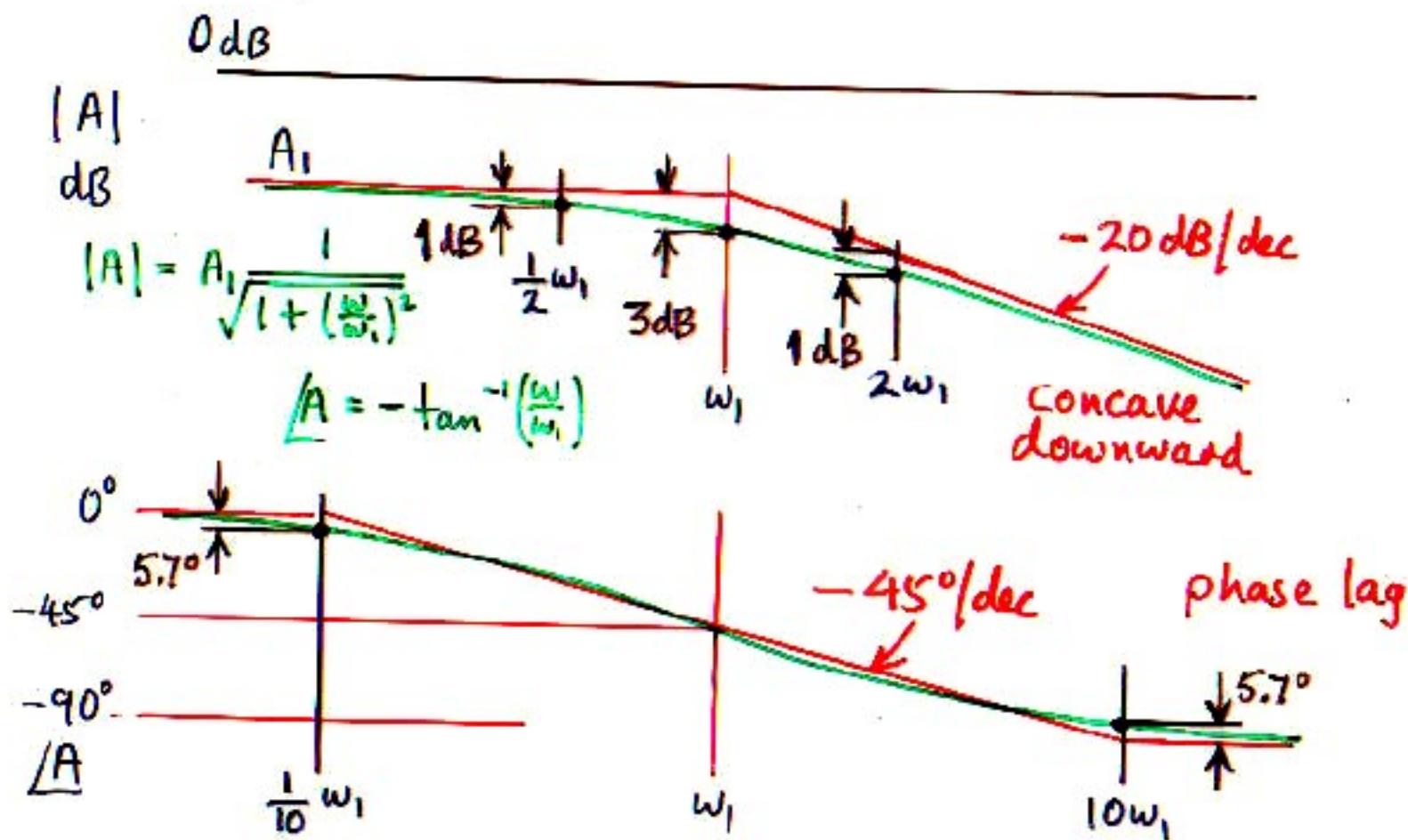
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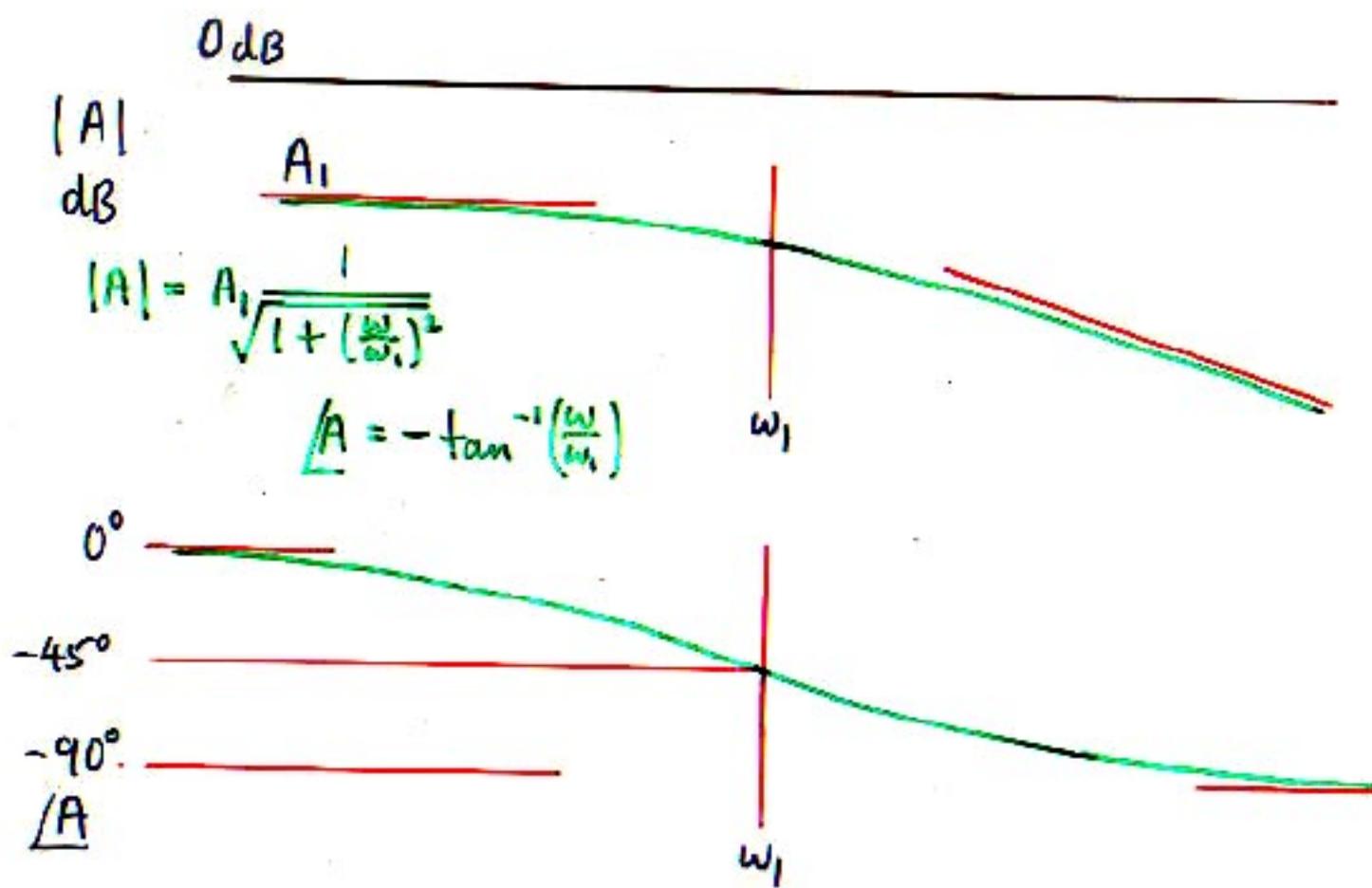
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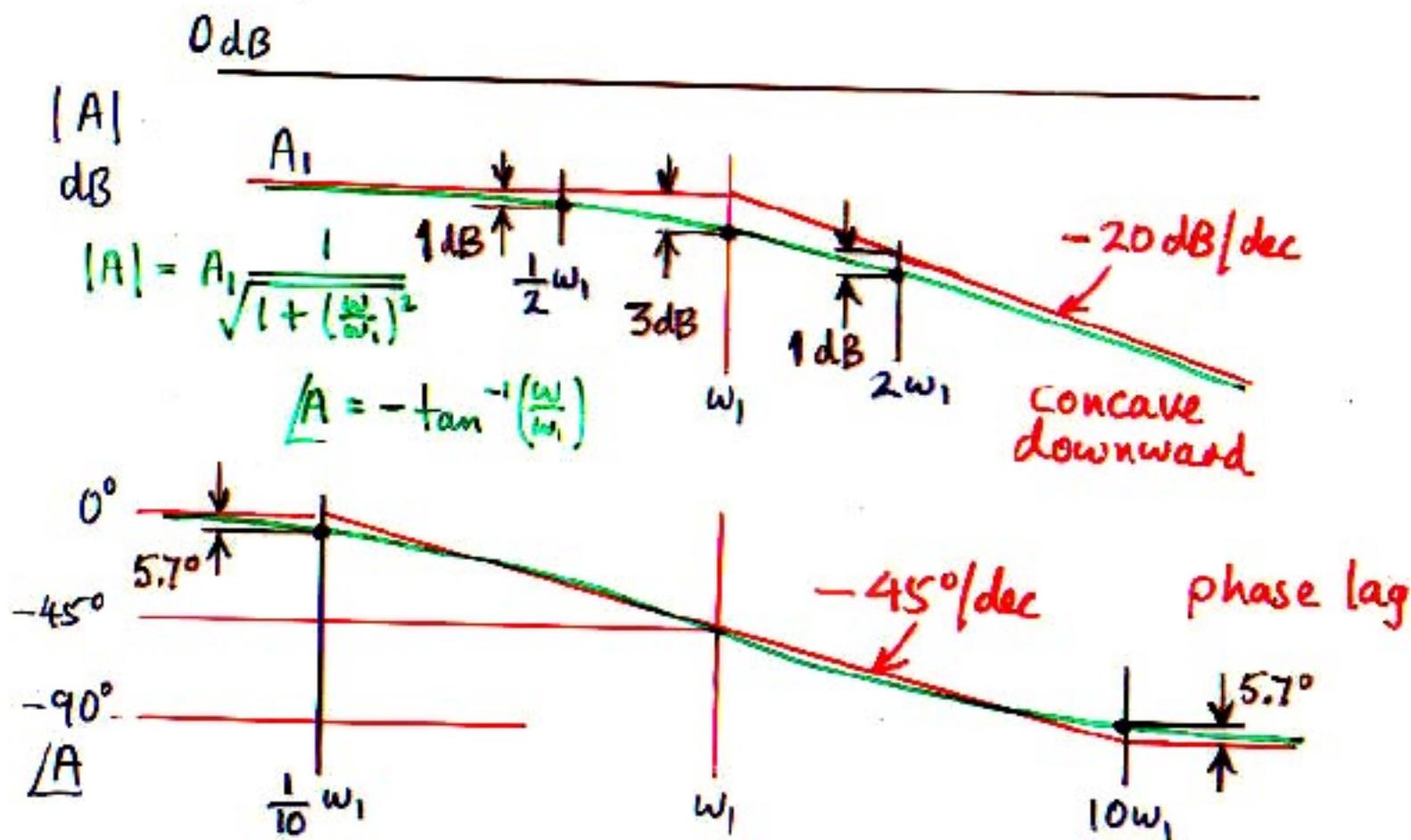
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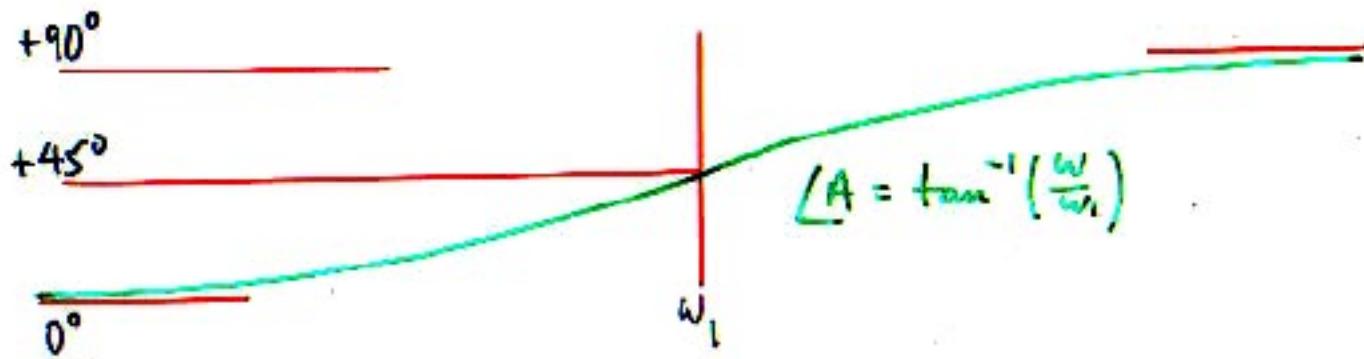
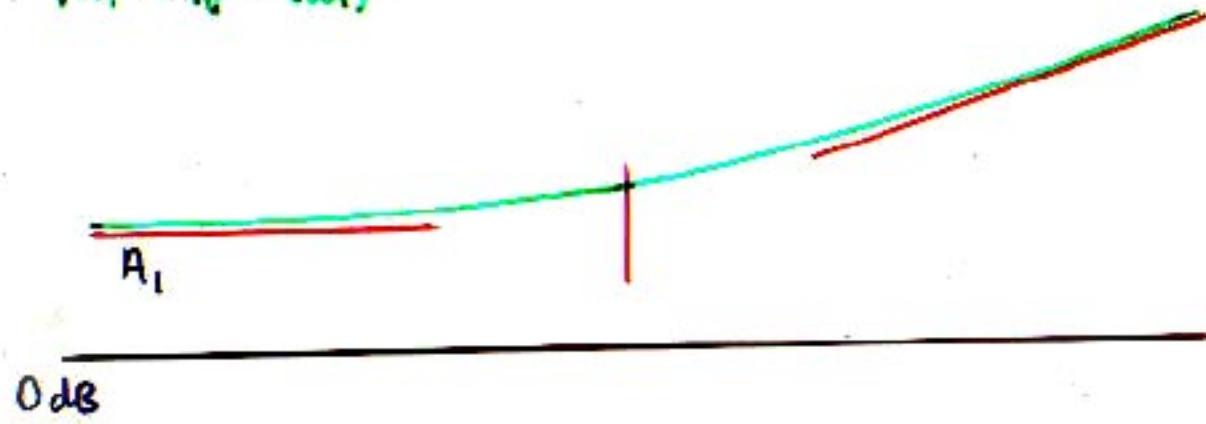


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flat gain ↑ ↙ *normal zero*

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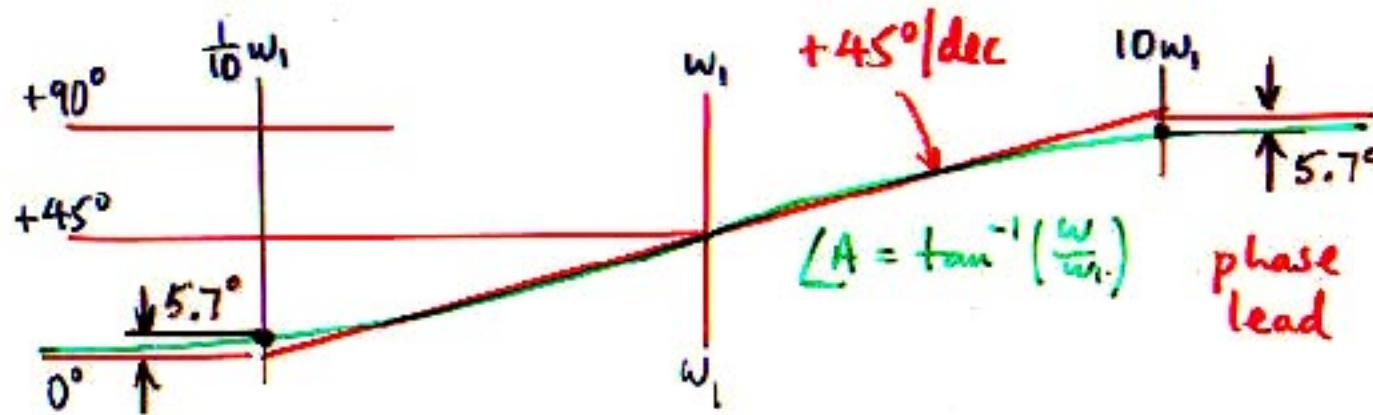
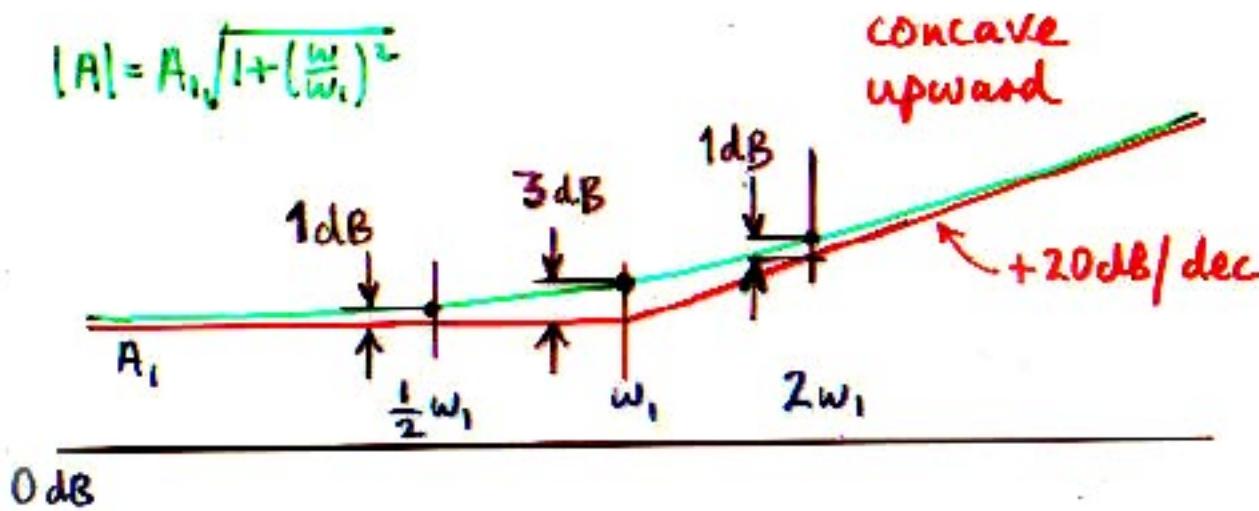


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Generalization: Property of Magnitude and Phase Graphs

A corner can be "seen" from further away on the phase graph than on the magnitude graph.

OR:

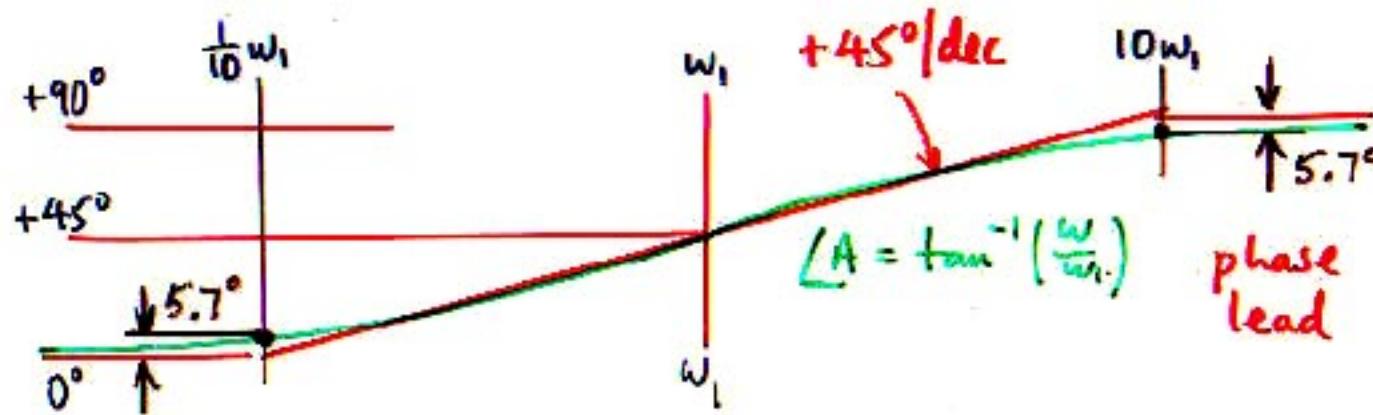
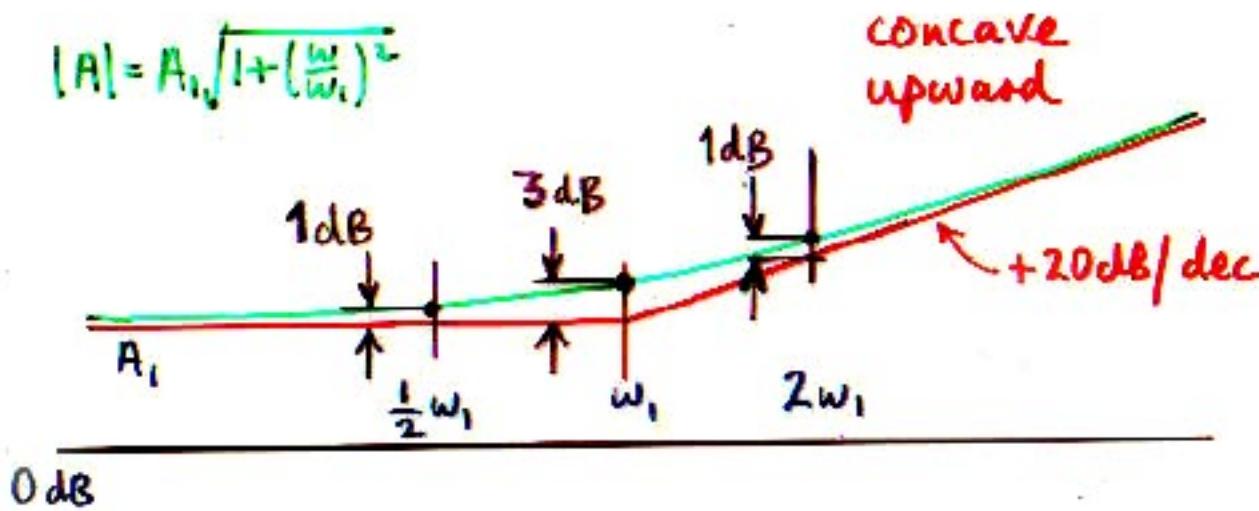
The phase gives a more accurate value of a nearby corner frequency than does the magnitude.

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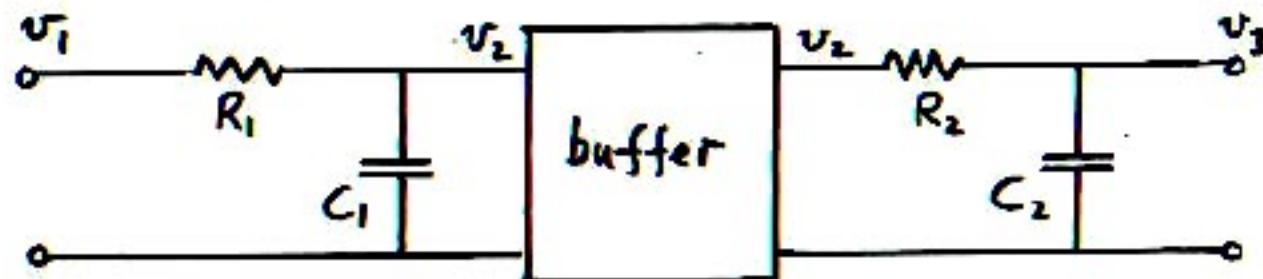
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Double-pole low-pass RC filters

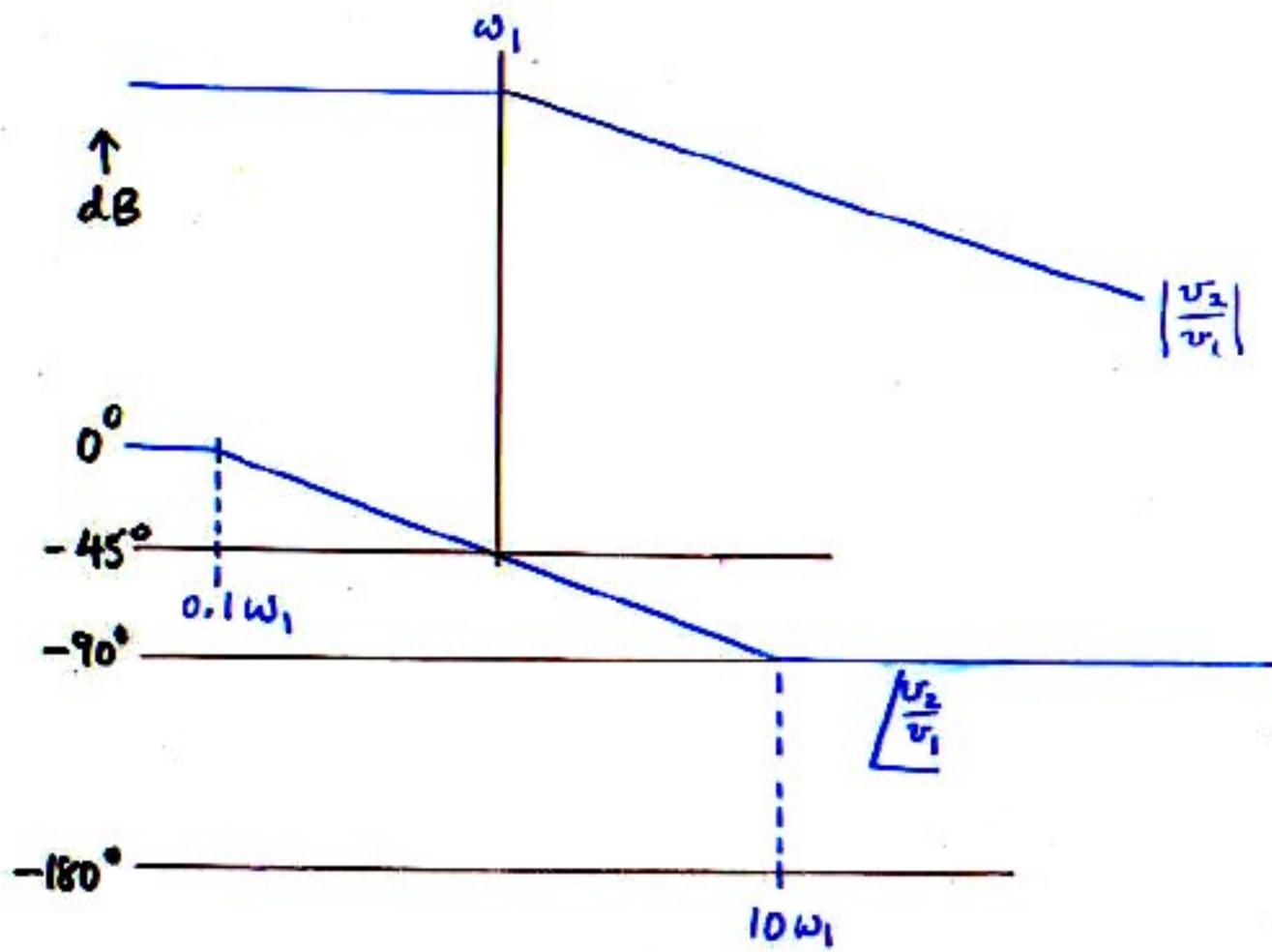


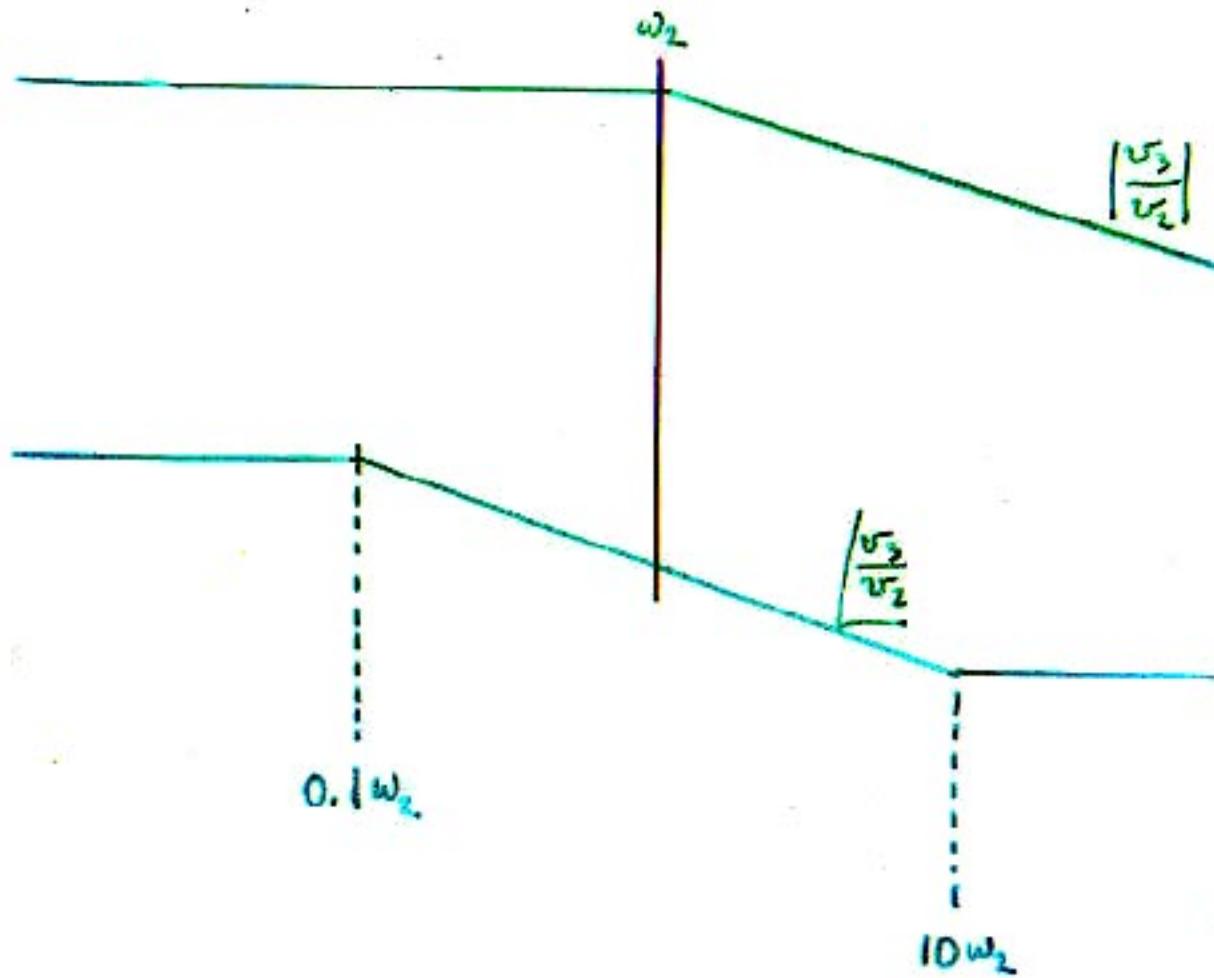
$$\frac{v_3}{v_1} = \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2})} \quad \text{where } \omega_1 \equiv \frac{1}{C_1 R_1} \quad \omega_2 \equiv \frac{1}{C_2 R_2}$$

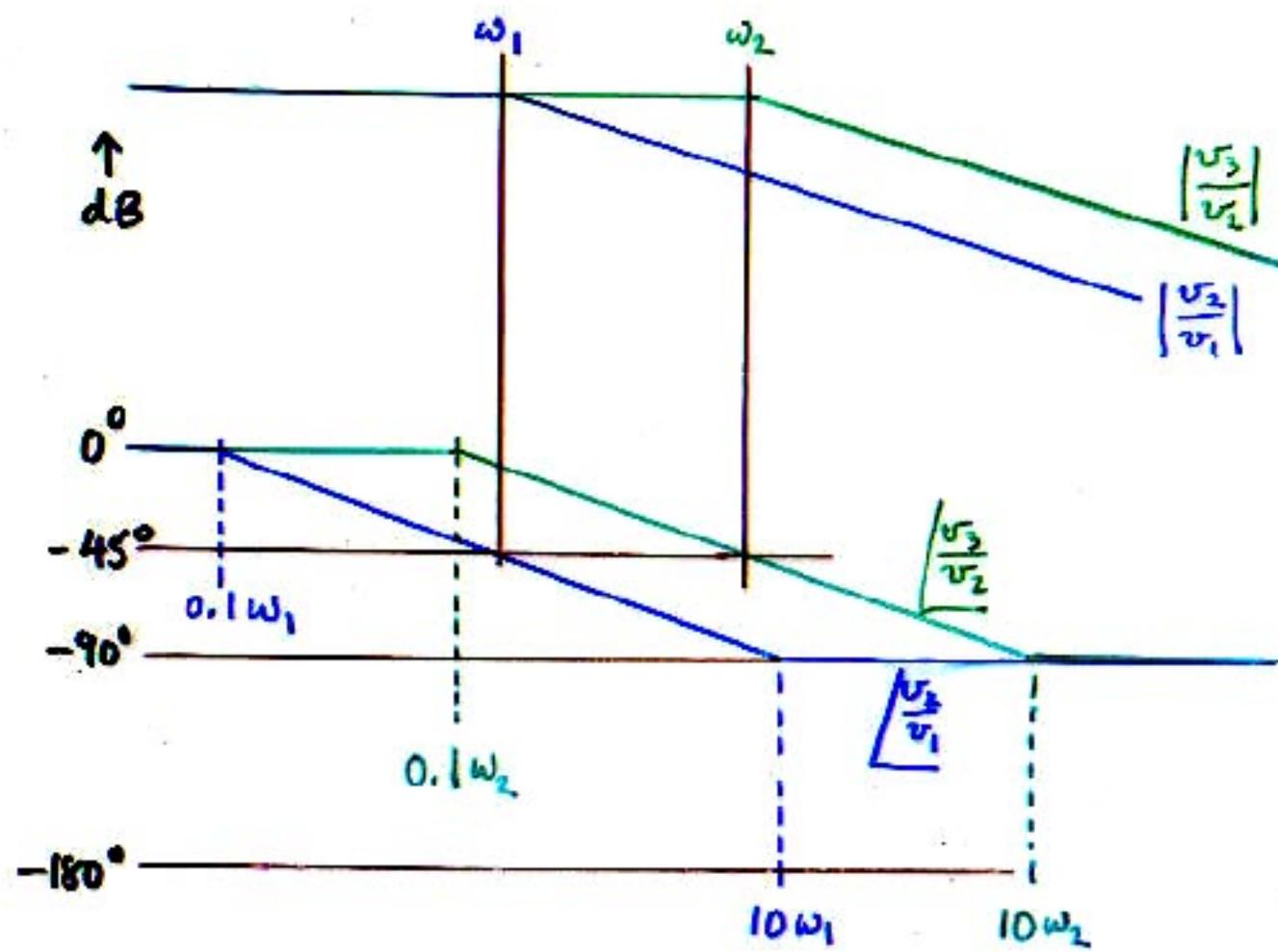
$$\left| \frac{v_3}{v_1} \right|_{dB} = -20 \log \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_1}\right)^2} - 20 \log \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_2}\right)^2}$$

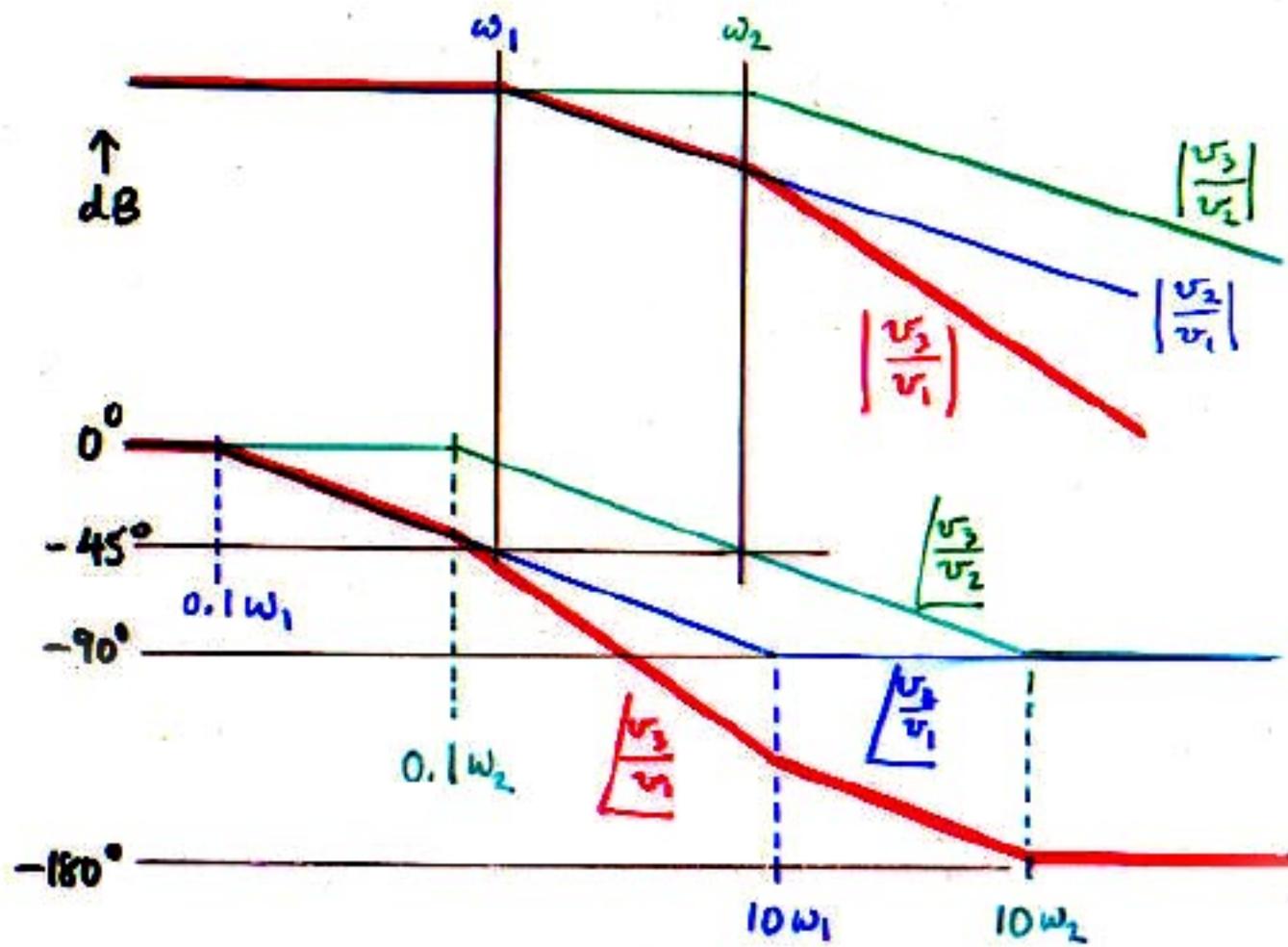
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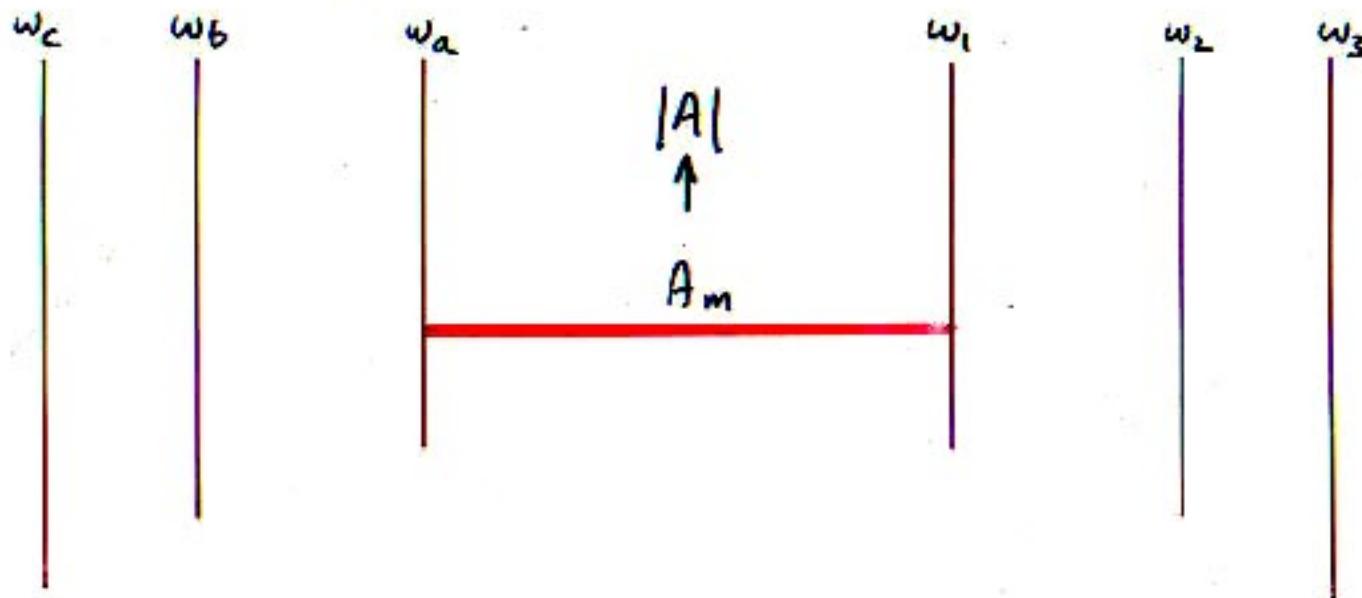






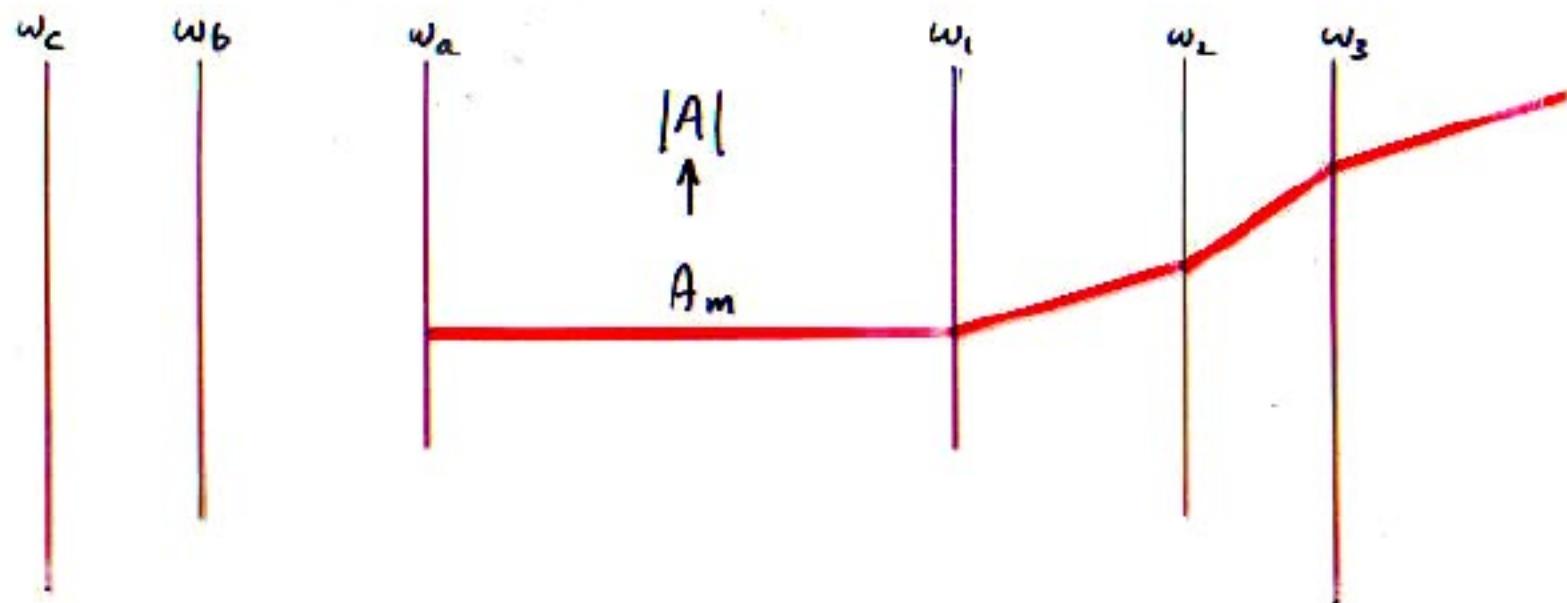


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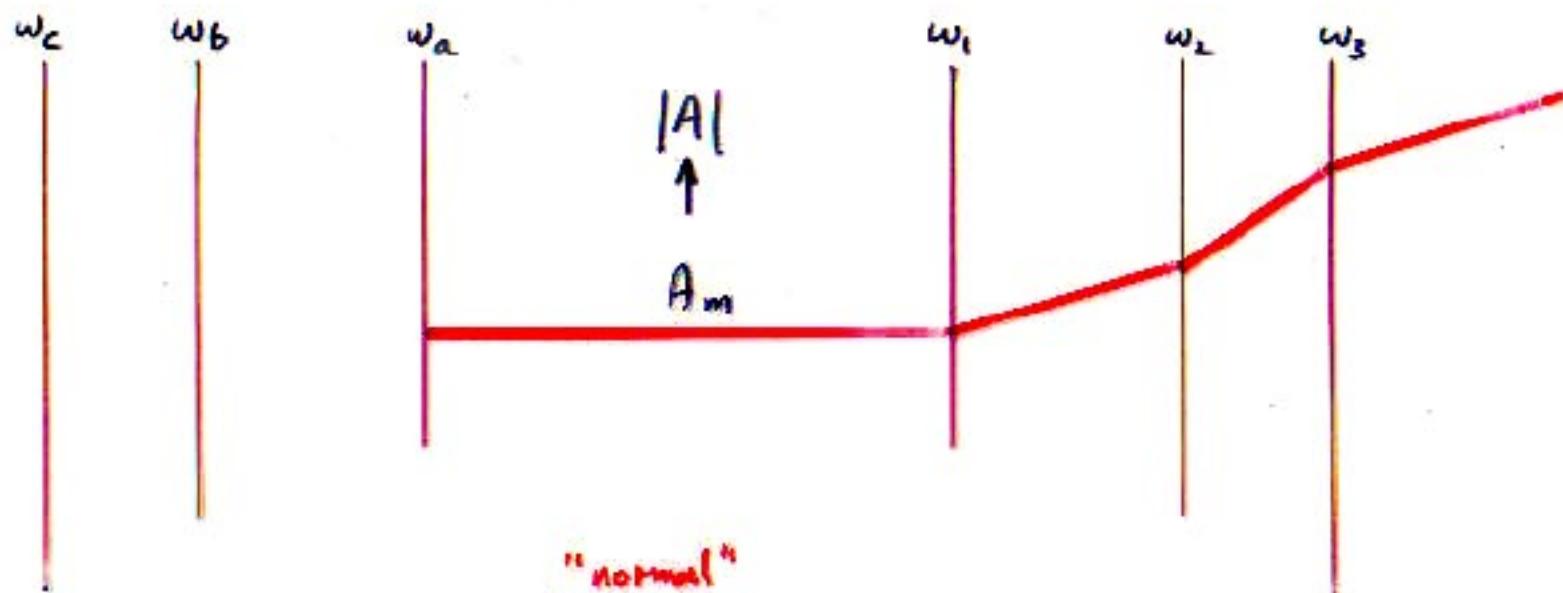
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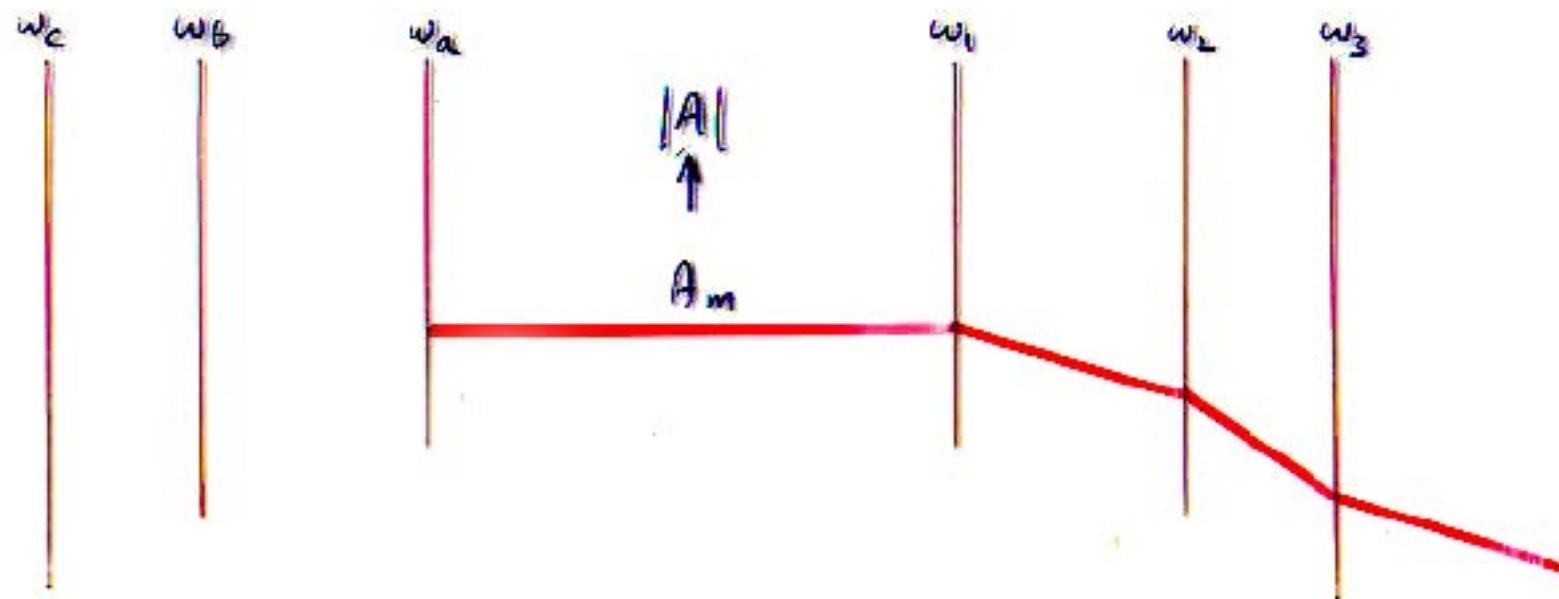
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"normal"
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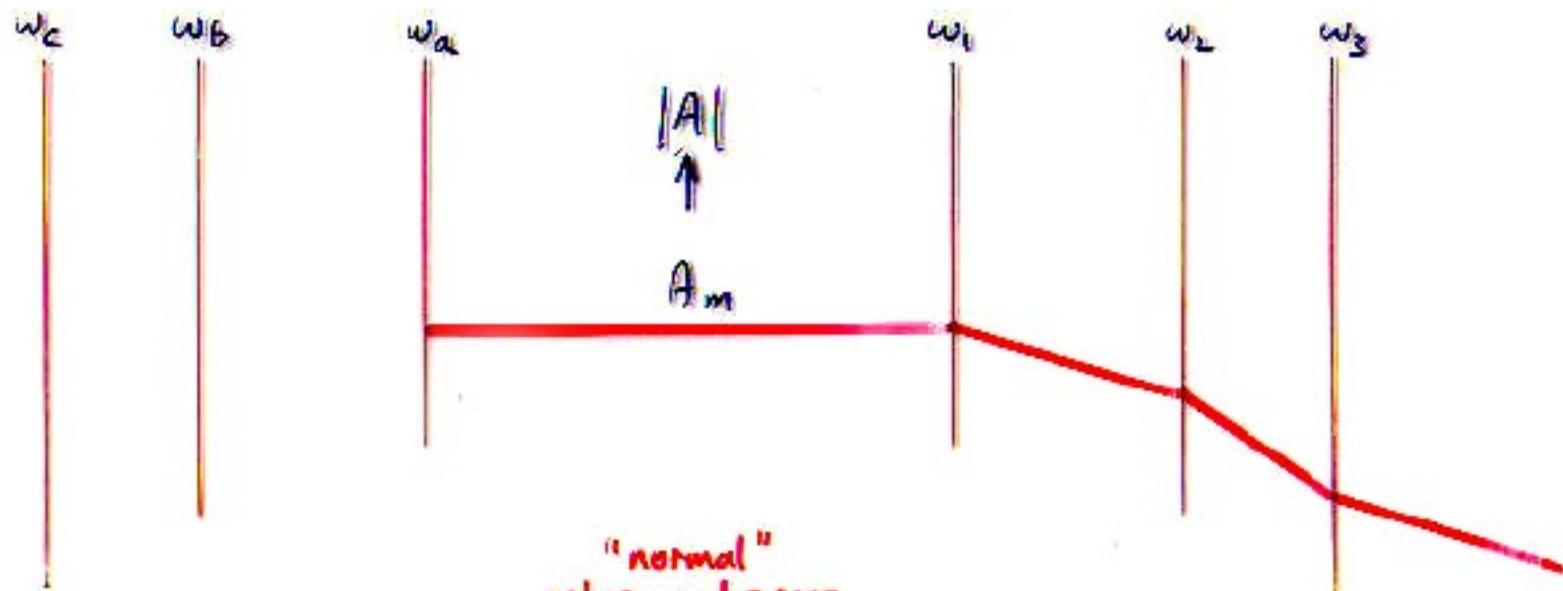
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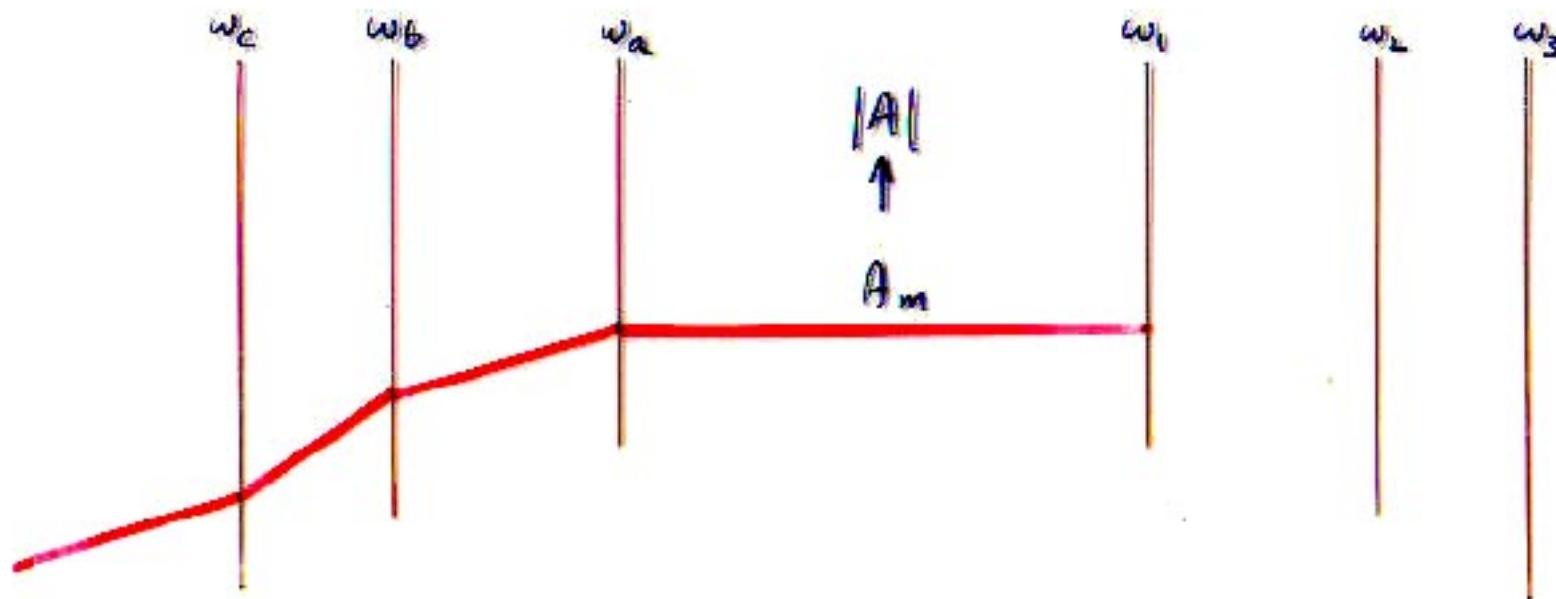
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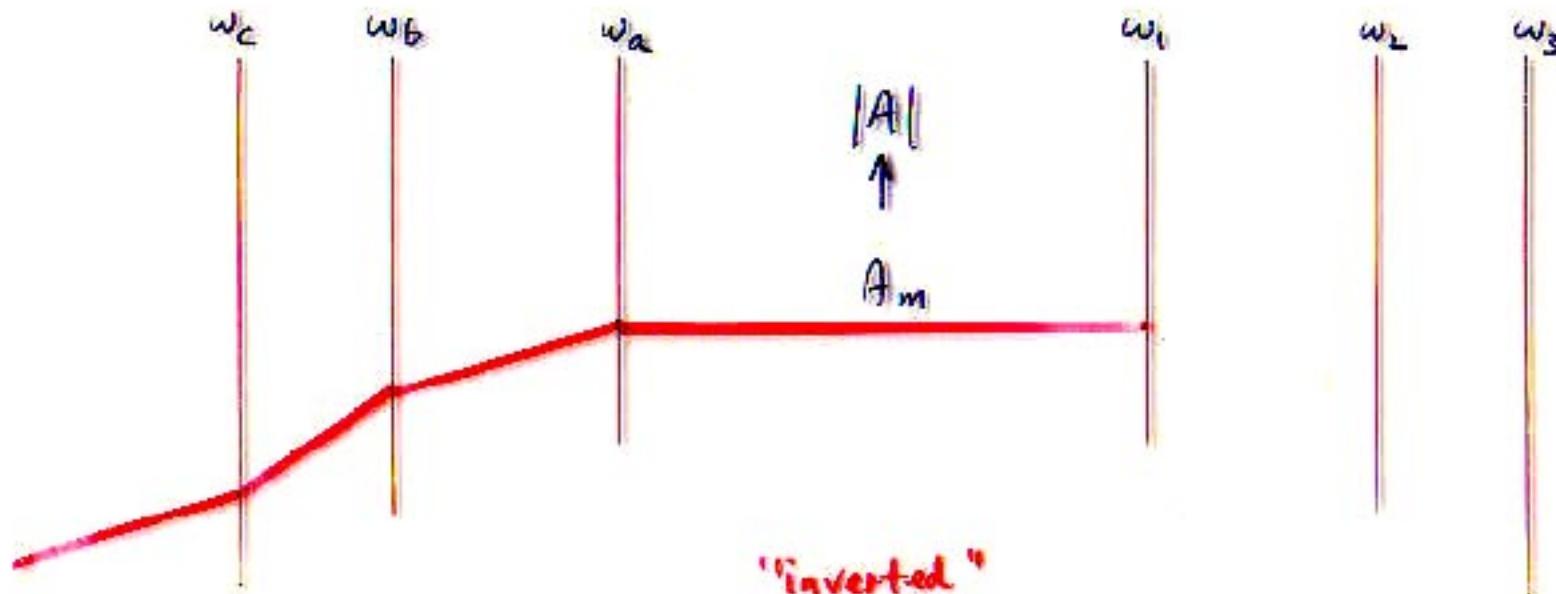
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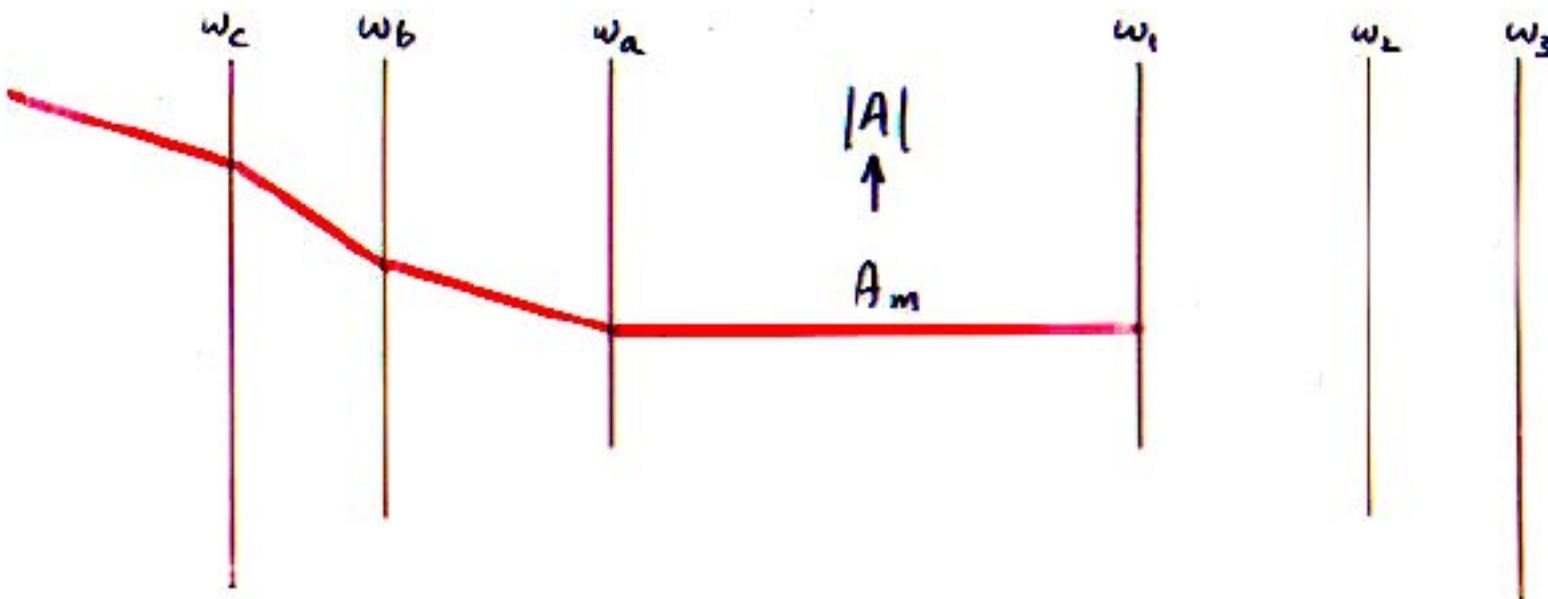
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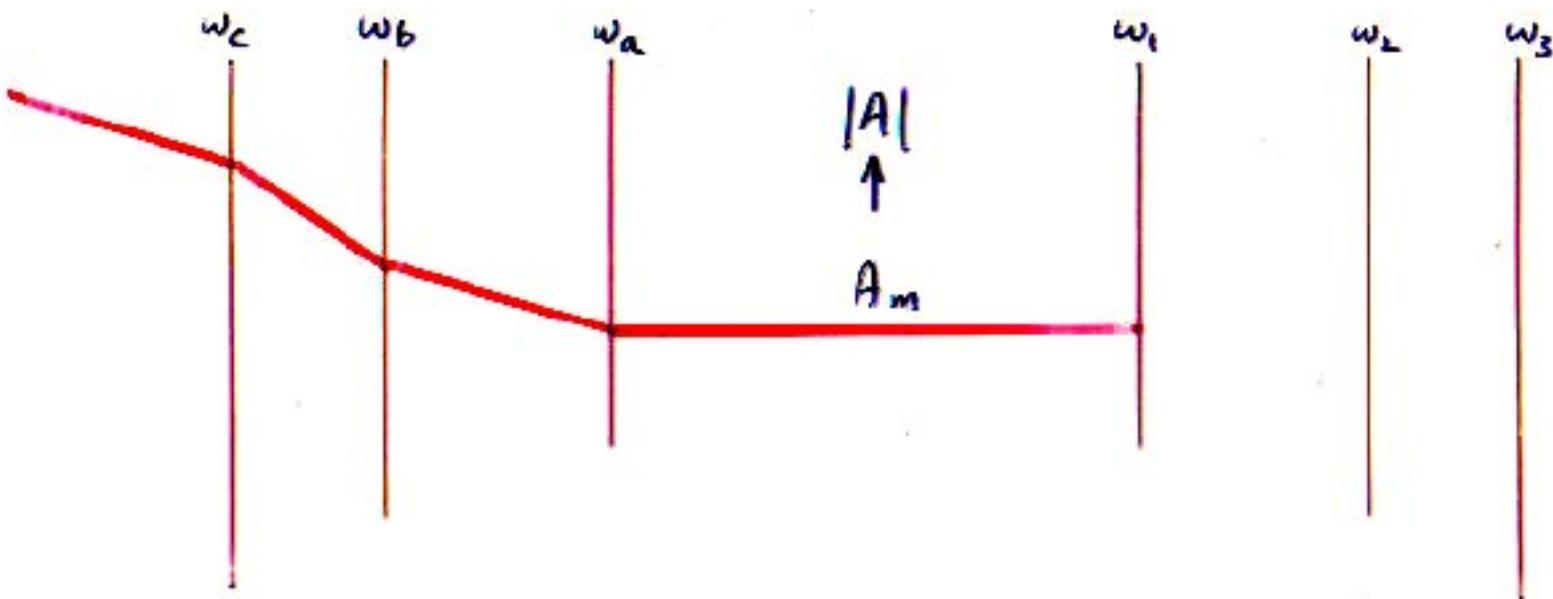
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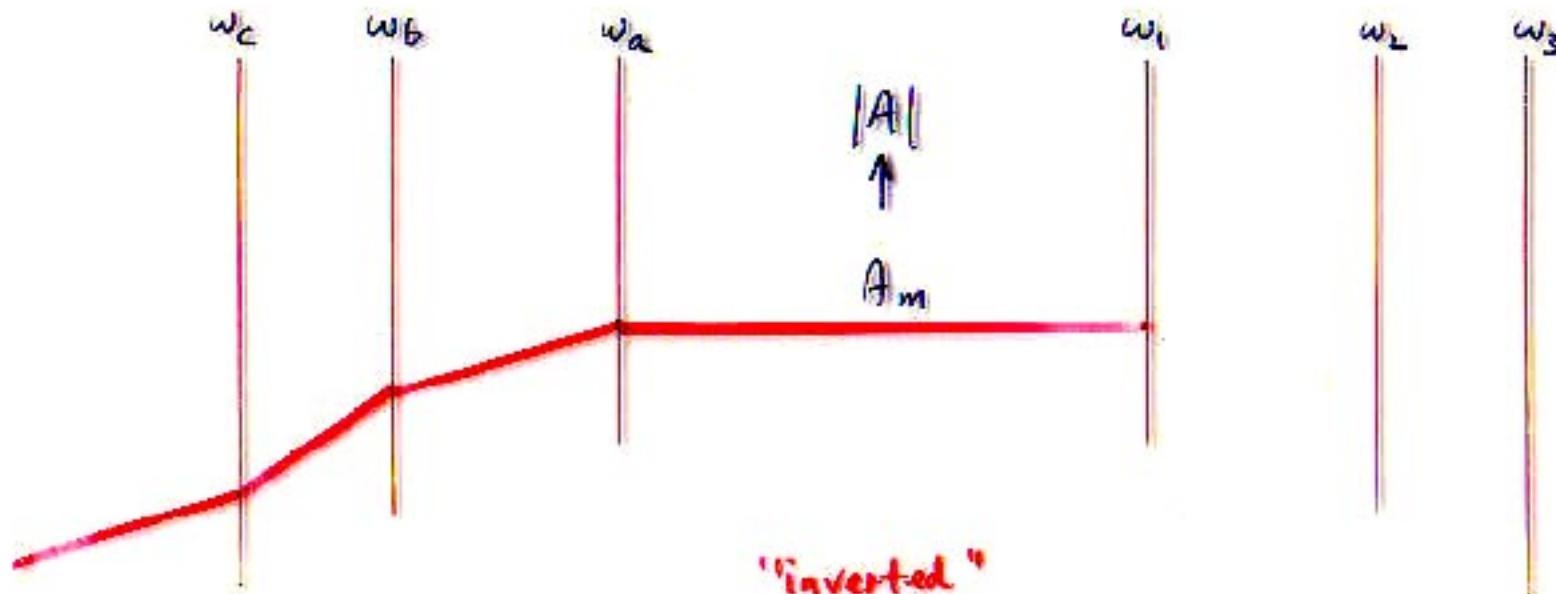
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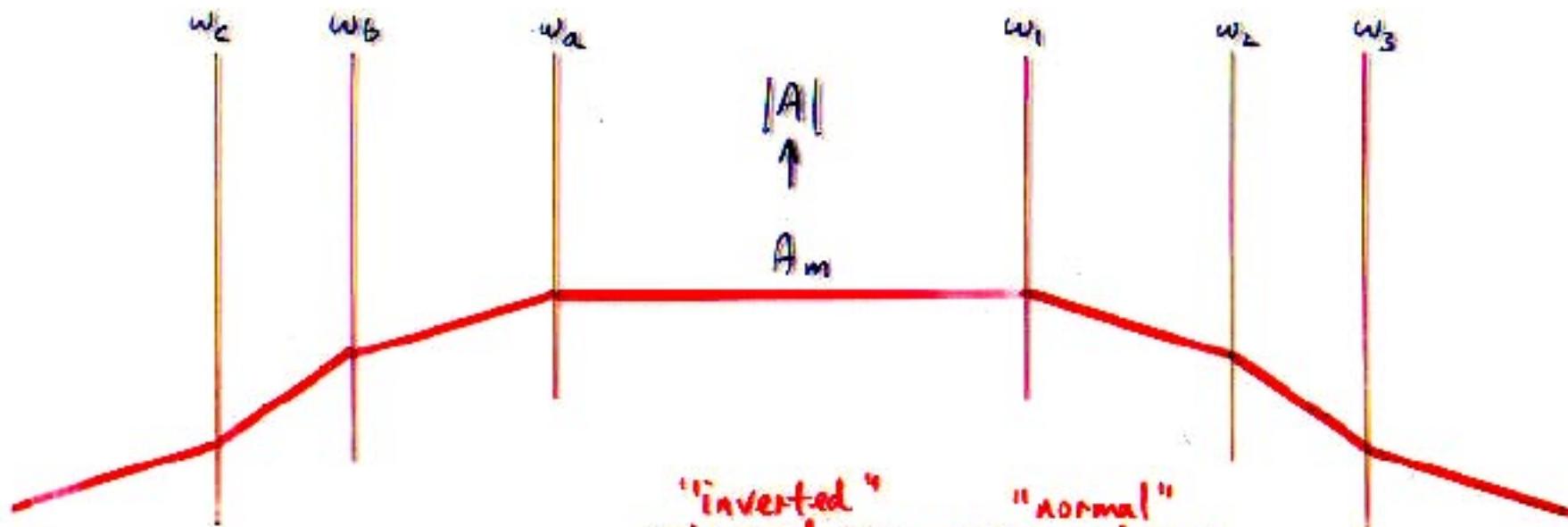
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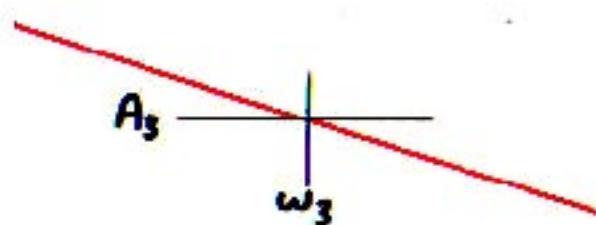
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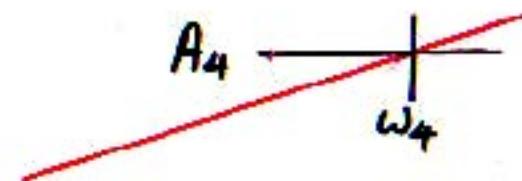
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If there is no "flat gain", use a reference value:



$|A|$



$$A = A_3 \frac{1}{\frac{s}{\omega_3}} = A_3 \frac{\omega_3}{s}$$

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$\angle A$

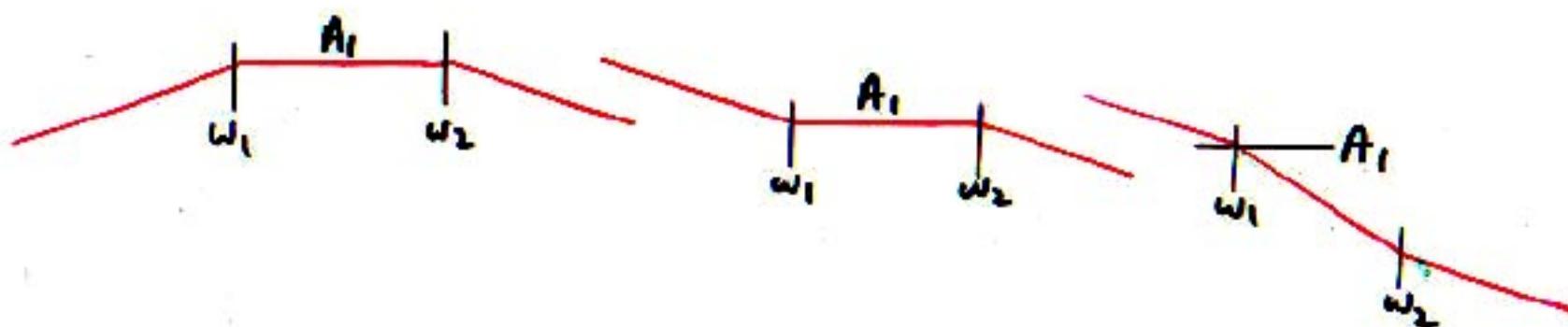
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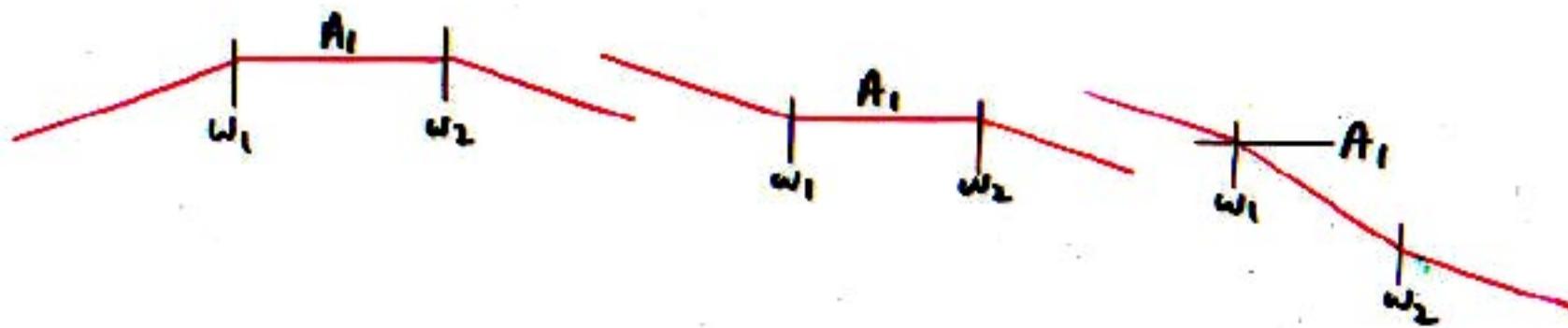
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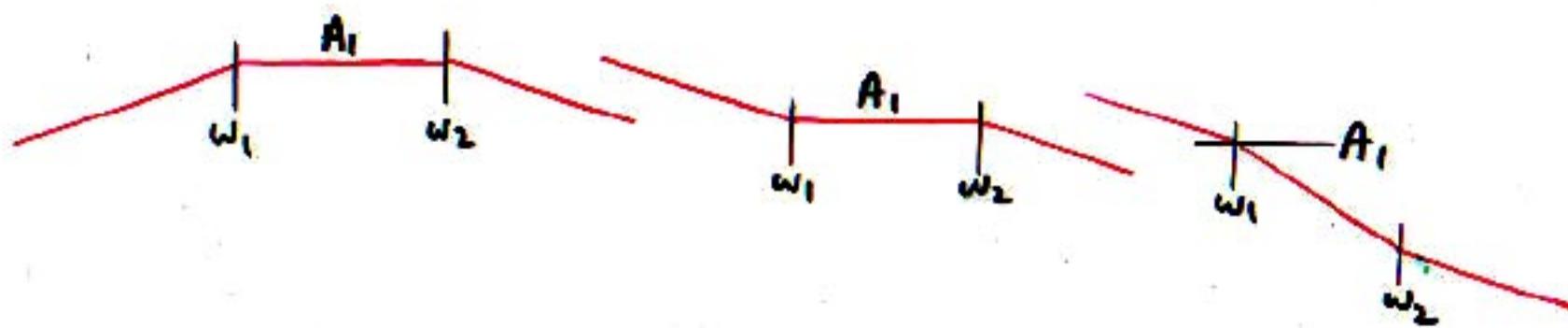
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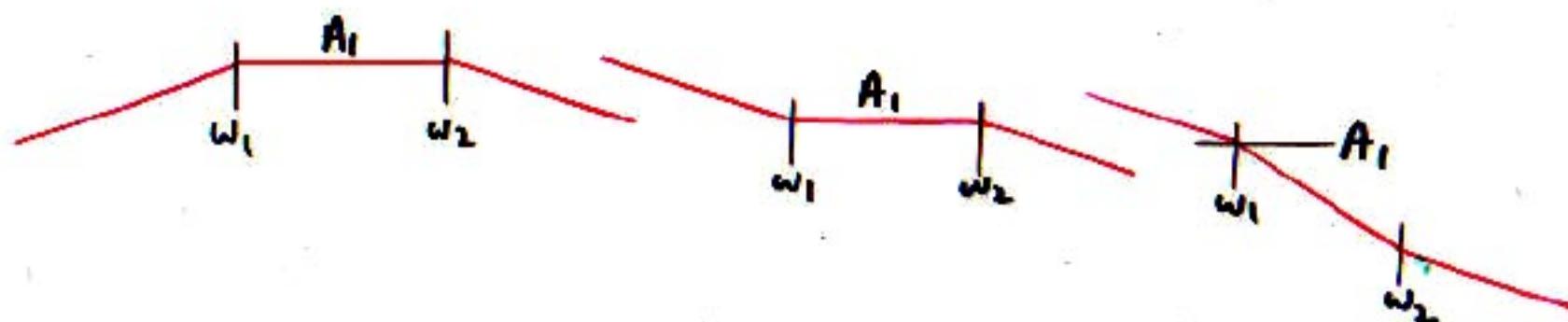


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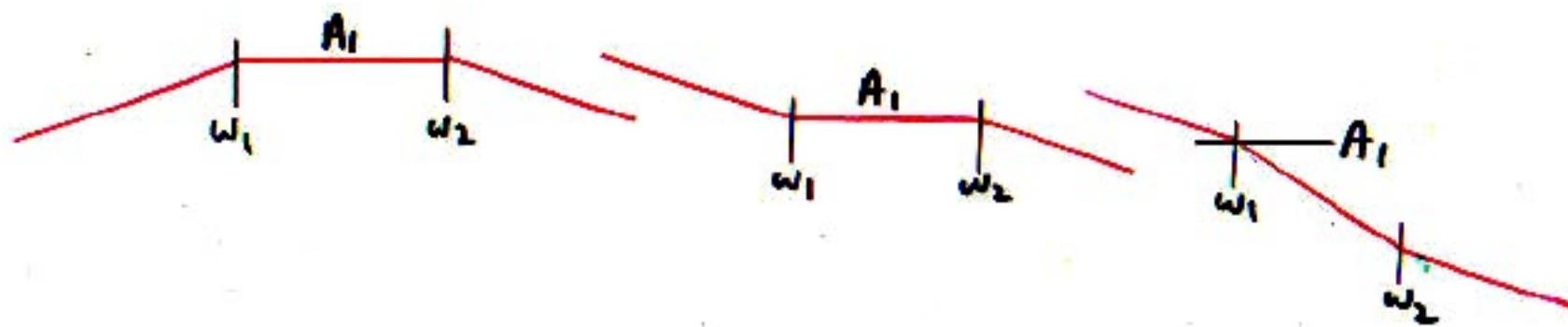
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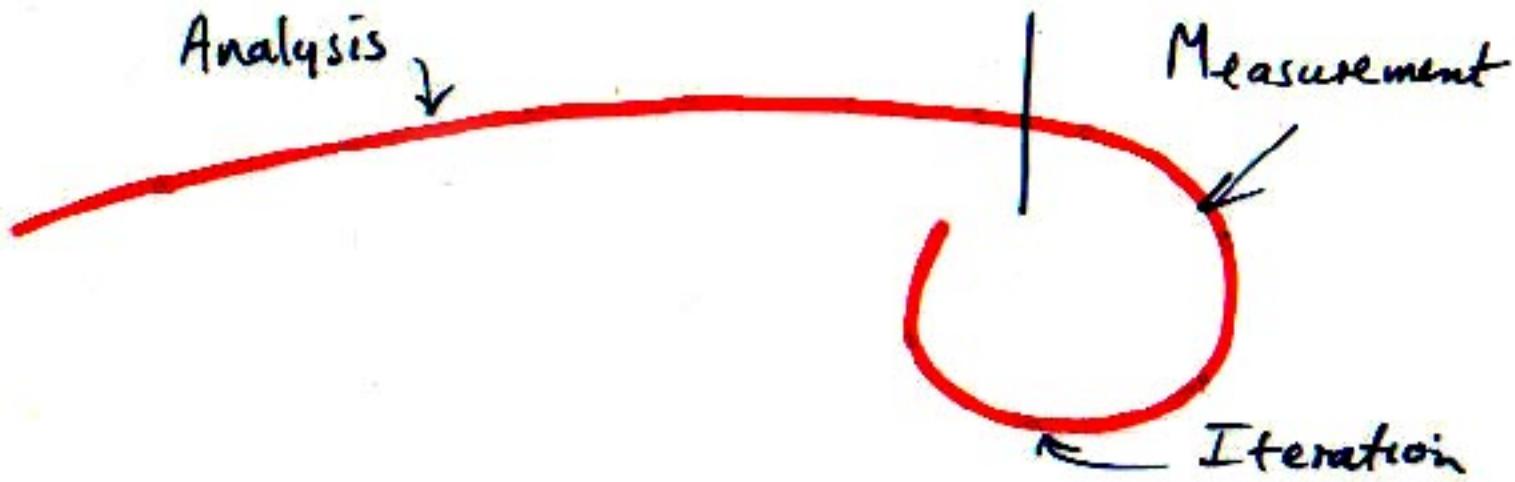
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DESIGN-ORIENTED ANALYSIS



Techniques of Design-Oriented Analysis

Lowering the Entropy of an expression

Doing the algebra on the circuit diagram.

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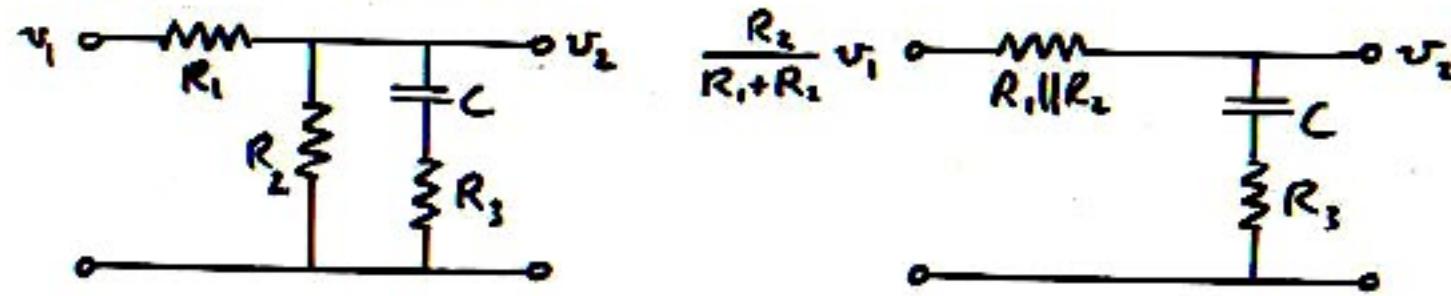
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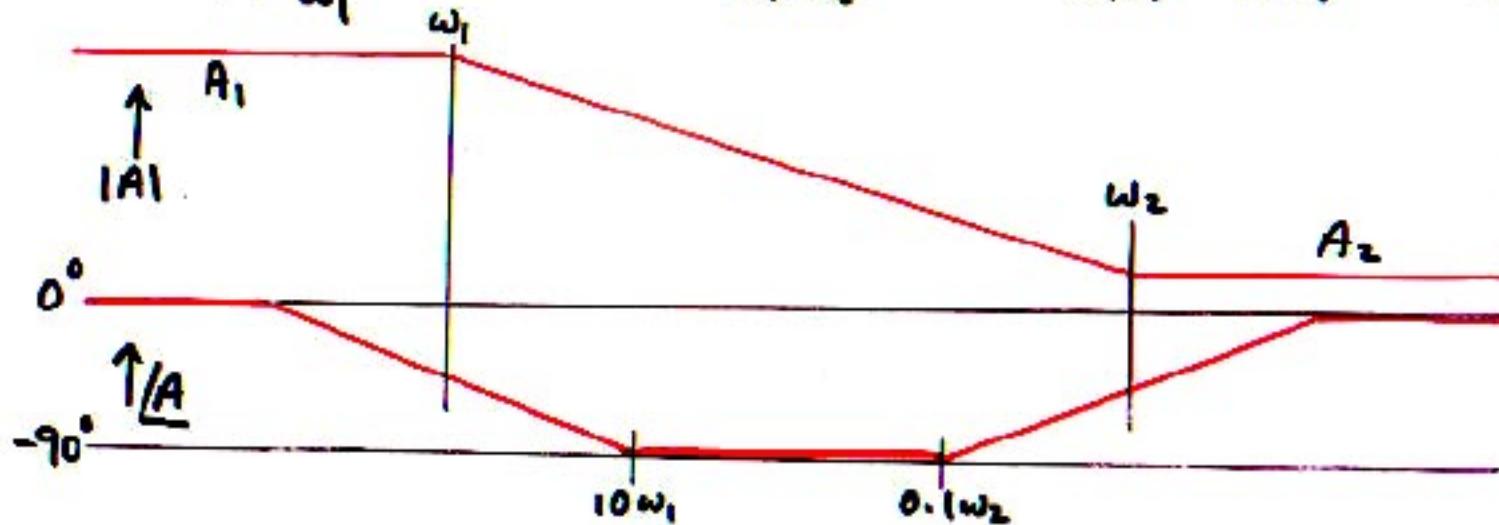
The Extra Element Theorem (EET)

Lag-lead network



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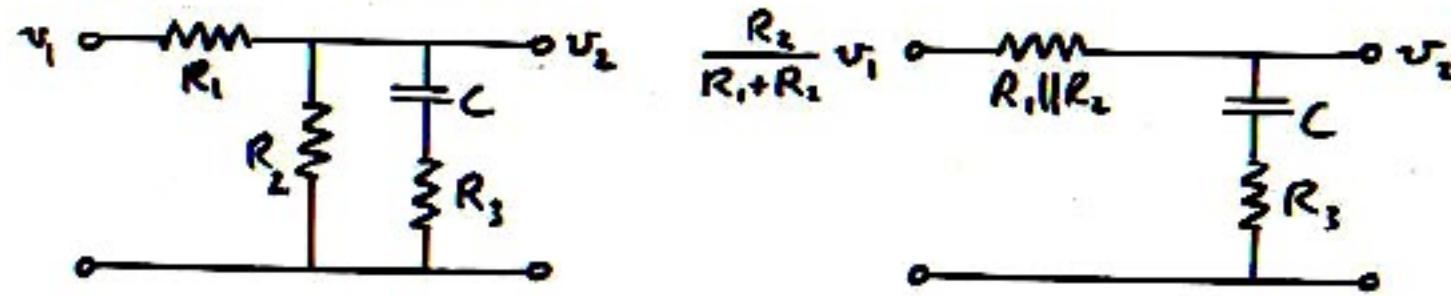
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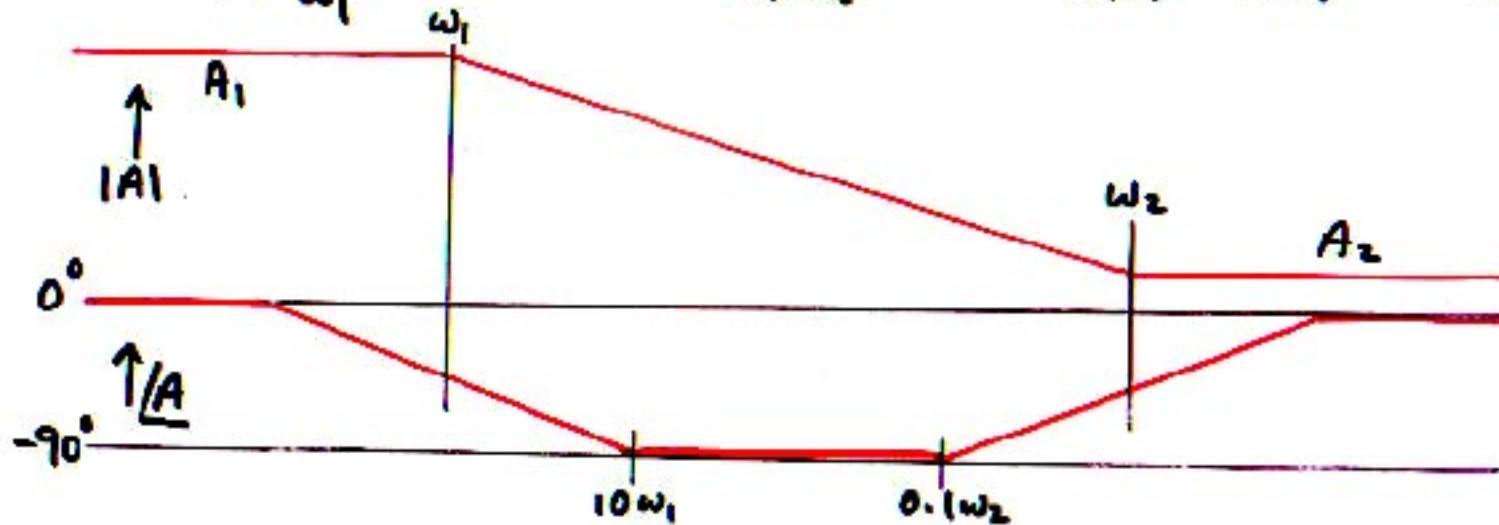
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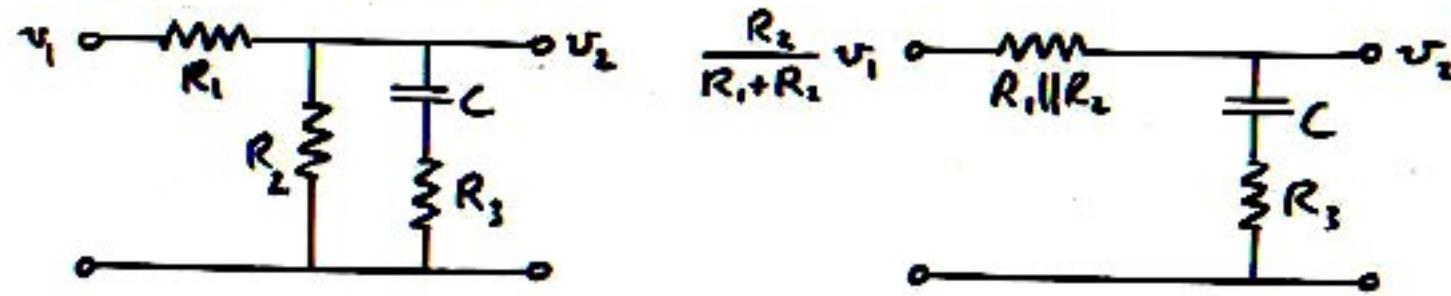
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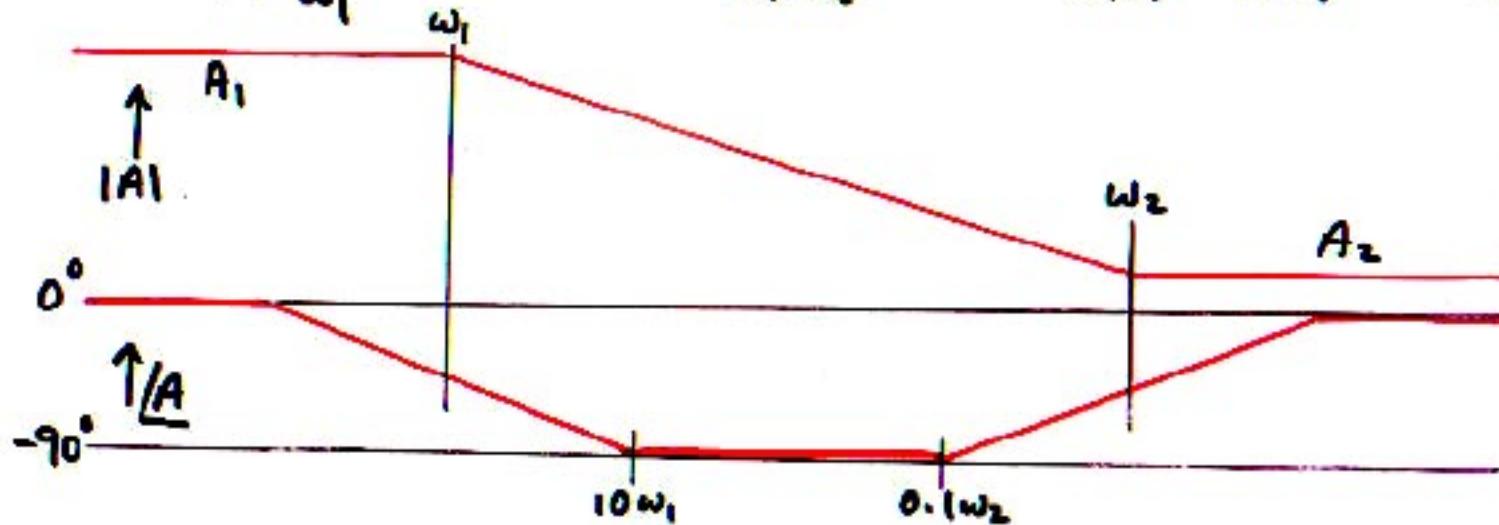
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Result:

$$\frac{A_2}{A_1} = \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}$$

For the lag-lead network:

$$A_2 = A_1 \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \frac{CR_3}{C(R_3 + R_1 || R_2)}$$

which is obvious from the reduced model.

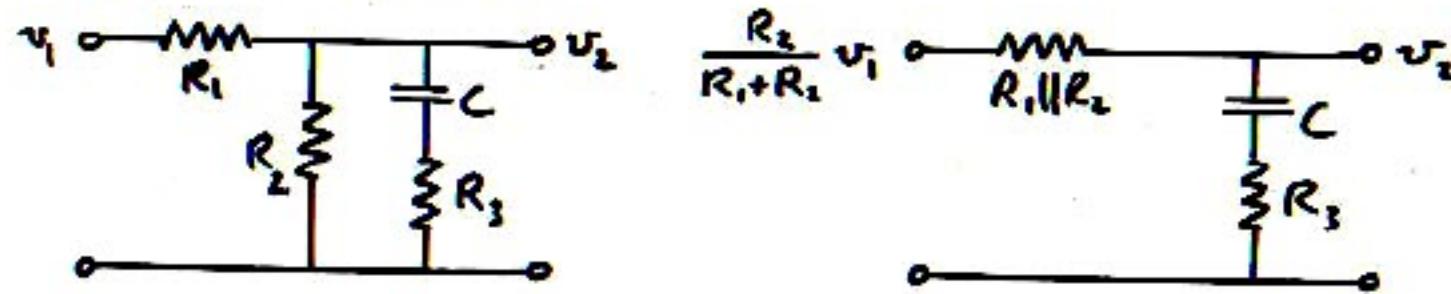
Generalization: Gain-Bandwidth Trade-Off

For a single-slope ($\pm 20\text{dB/dec}$)

Ratio of flat gains = Ratio of corner frequencies
that separate them

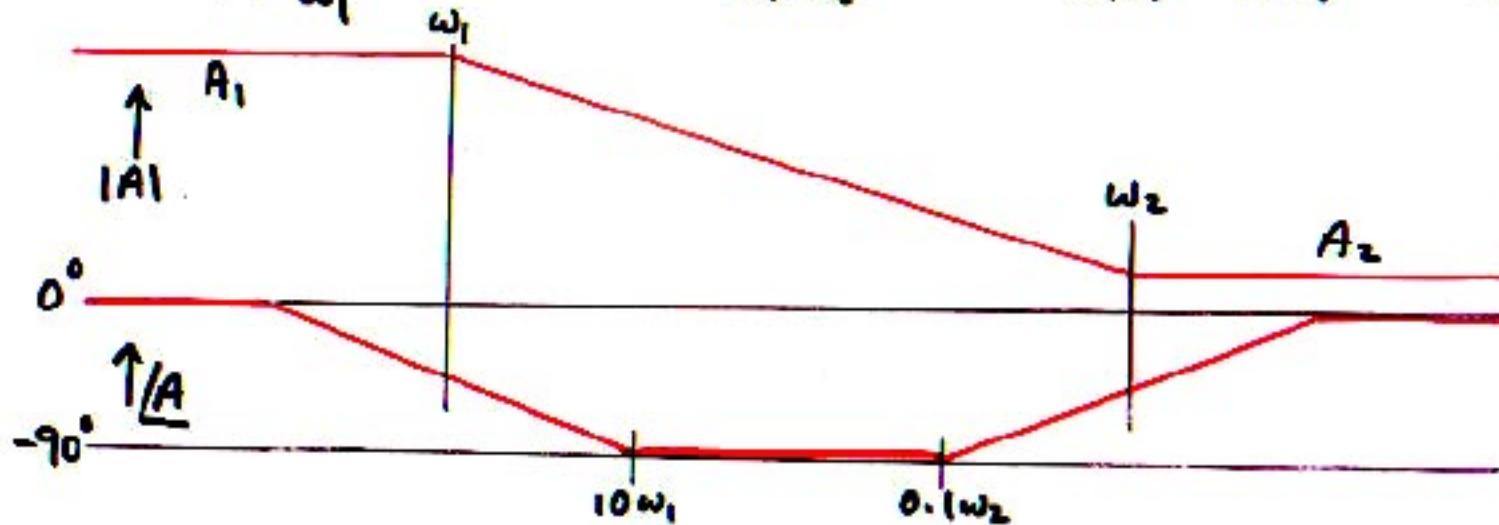
This is a form of gain-bandwidth trade-off.

Lag-lead network



$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = A = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{sC} + R_3}{\frac{1}{sC} + R_3 + R_1 \parallel R_2}$$

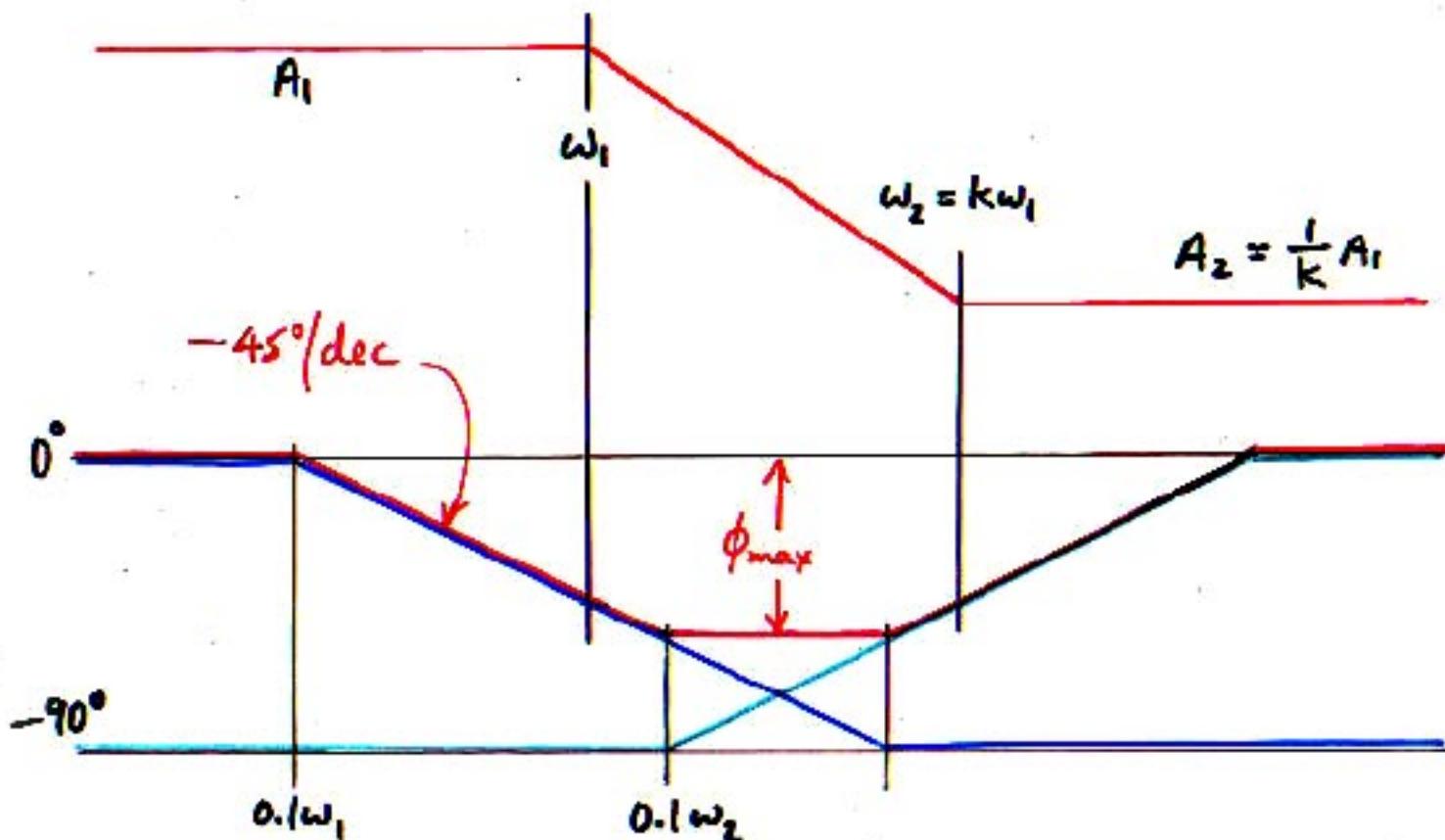
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If $\omega_2 > 100\omega_1$, phase asymptotes do not overlap and the phase lag reaches 90° before returning to zero.

If $\omega_2 < 100\omega_1$, the phase asymptotes do overlap, and the phase lag reaches a maximum, less than 90° , which is a function of the ratio of the flat gains.

Find the maximum phase lag ϕ_{\max} as a function of the gain ratio $k \equiv A_1/A_2 = \omega_2/\omega_1$



$$\phi_{\max} = -45^\circ \log \frac{0.1\omega_2}{0.1\omega_1} = -45^\circ \log k \quad (k < 100)$$

Relationships to conventional forms:



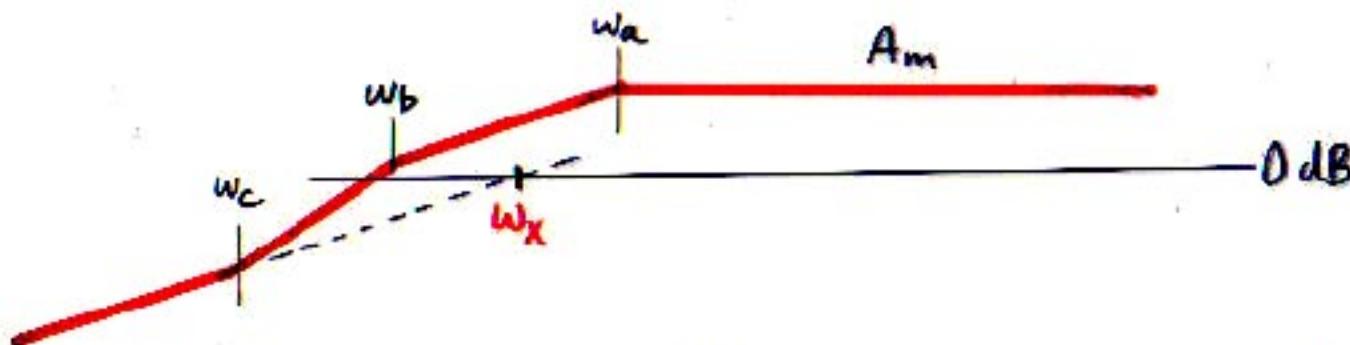
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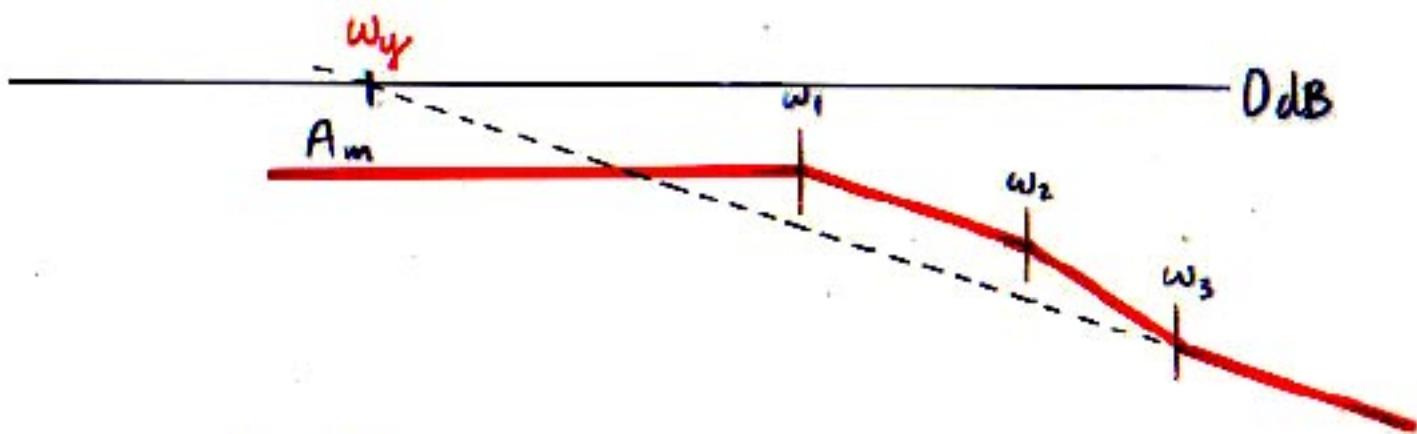


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More than one flat gain



$$A = A_1 \frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}} = A_1 \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1} \frac{1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s}}{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s}} = A_2 \frac{1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s}}{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s}}$$

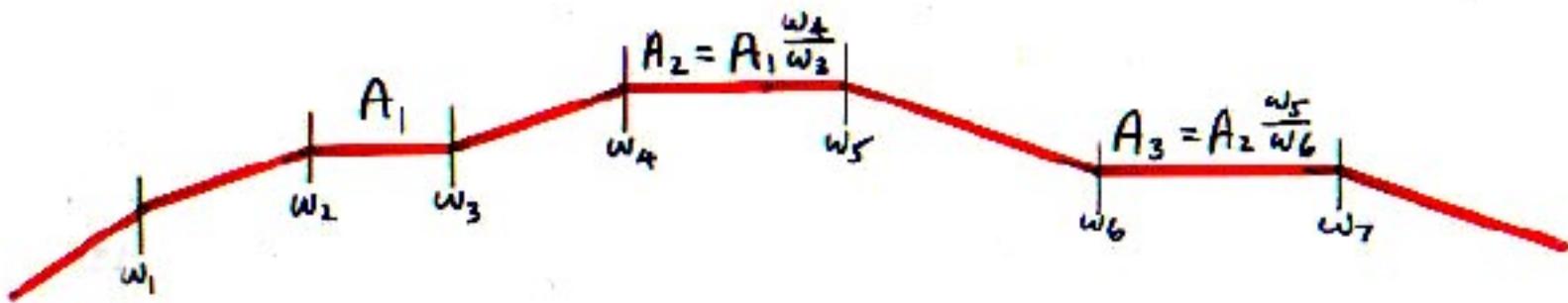
Hence: "gain-bandwidth tradeoff"

$$\frac{A_2}{A_1} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$$

Either flat gain can be used as "reference" gain.

Any flat gain can be used as "reference" gain A_{ref} .

With respect to A_{ref} , poles and zeros above A_{ref} are normal, those below A_{ref} are inverted.



$$A = A_1 \frac{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_6})}{(1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s})(1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_4})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_5})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_7})}$$

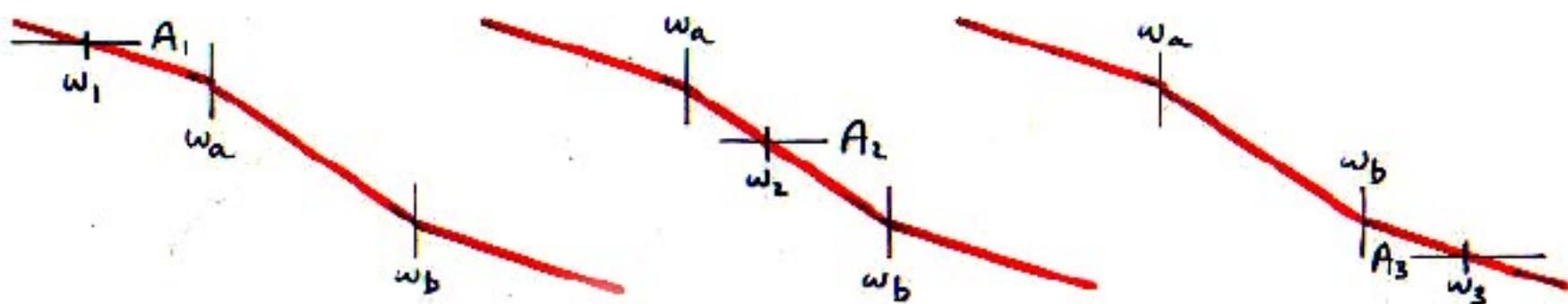
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$$A = A_3 \frac{(1 + \frac{\omega_6}{s})(1 + \frac{\omega_3}{s})}{(1 + \frac{\omega_7}{s})(1 + \frac{\omega_4}{s})(1 + \frac{\omega_5}{s})(1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_7})}$$

Exercise:

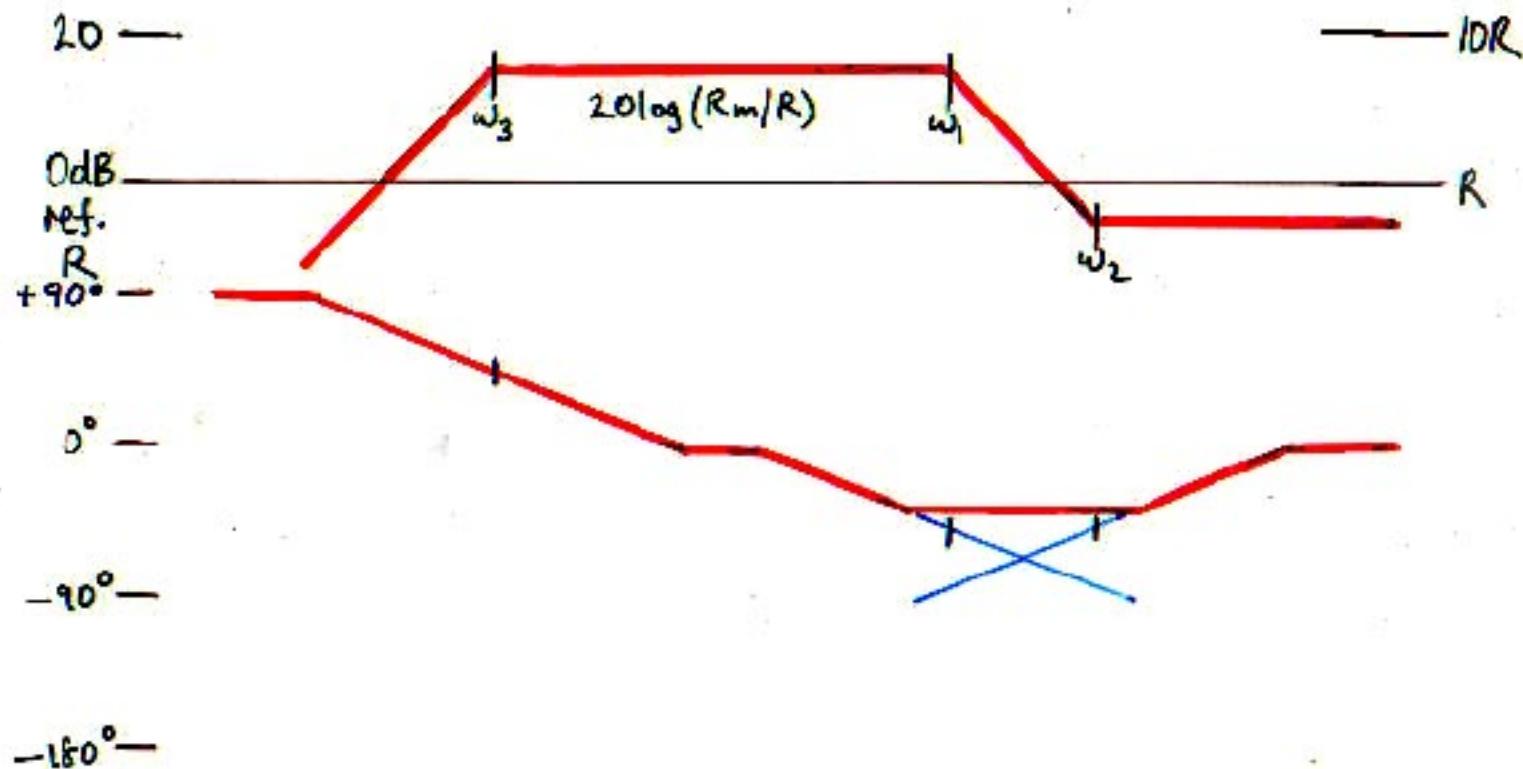
No flat gain

Identify the gain at any chosen frequency as "reference" gain

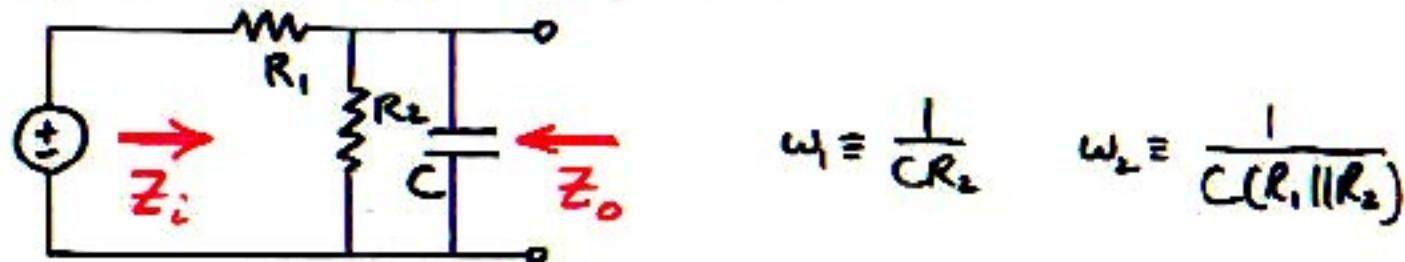


Impedance asymptotes

$$Z = R_m \frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\omega_3}{s}}$$



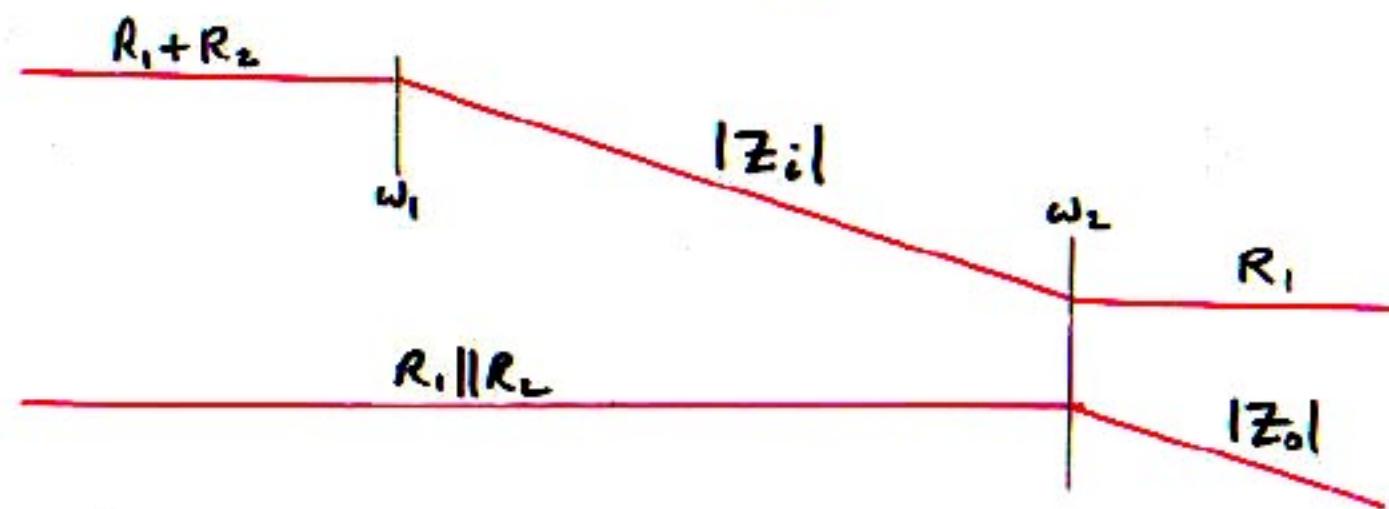
Input and output impedances



$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{CR_2} \quad \omega_2 = \frac{1}{C(R_1 \parallel R_2)}$$

$$Z_i = R_1 + \frac{R_2}{1+sCR_2} = (R_1 + R_2) \frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}} = R_1 \frac{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s}}{1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s}}$$

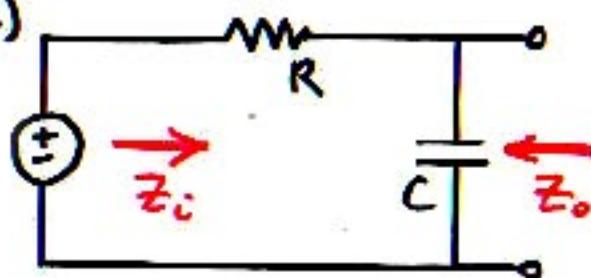
$$Z_o = R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \frac{1}{sC} = R_1 \parallel R_2 \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}}$$



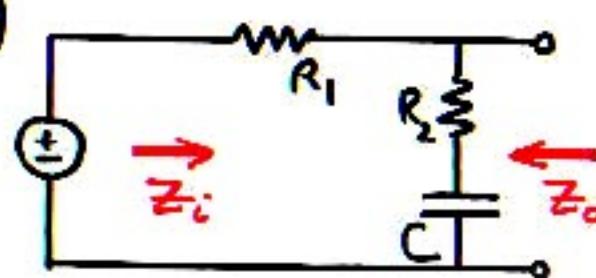
Exercise

Find the input and output impedances Z_i and Z_o in factored pole-zero form, and sketch the magnitude and phase asymptotes, for each of the two networks:

(a)

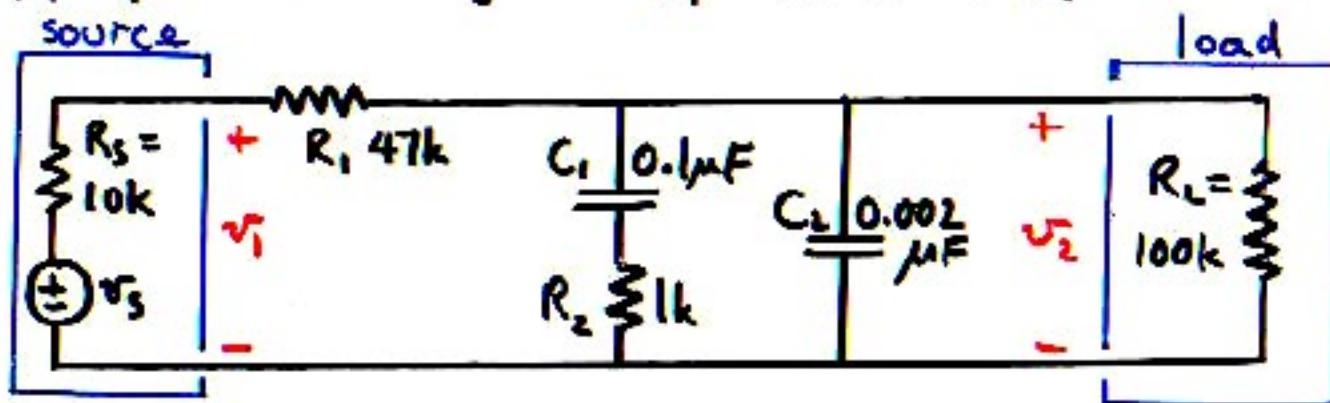


(b)



Example

Analyze the following circuit for the gain response v_2/v_1 , using the given values to justify appropriate analytic approximations:



Express the result in the factored pole-zero form

$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = A = A_0 \frac{\prod (1 + s/\omega_x)}{\prod (1 + s/\omega_y)}$$

Sketch $|A|$ and $\angle A$ showing the straight-line asymptotes, and label salient features with both analytic expressions and numerical values.

$$A = \frac{\frac{\left(\frac{R_L}{1+sC_2R_L}\right)\left(R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1}\right)}{\frac{R_L}{1+sC_2R_L} + R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1}}}{\frac{\left(\frac{R_L}{1+sC_2R_L}\right)\left(R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1}\right)}{\frac{R_L}{1+sC_2R_L} + R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1}} + R_1}$$

↓
a lot of algebra

$$= \frac{R_L + sC_1R_2R_L}{[R_1 + R_L] + s[C_1(R_1R_2 + R_LR_2 + R_1R_L) + C_2R_1R_L] + s^2[C_1C_2R_1R_2R_L]}$$

This is a high-entropy expression. To lower the entropy, write the polynomials in s with a leading term of unity:

$$A = \frac{R_L}{R_1 + R_L} \frac{1 + sC_1 R_2}{1 + s[C_1 \left(\frac{R_1 R_2 + R_L R_2 + R_1 R_L}{R_1 + R_L} \right) + C_2 \left(\frac{R_1 R_L}{R_1 + R_L} \right)] + s^2 [C_1 C_2 \left(\frac{R_1 R_2 R_L}{R_1 + R_L} \right)]}$$

Now, recognize series/
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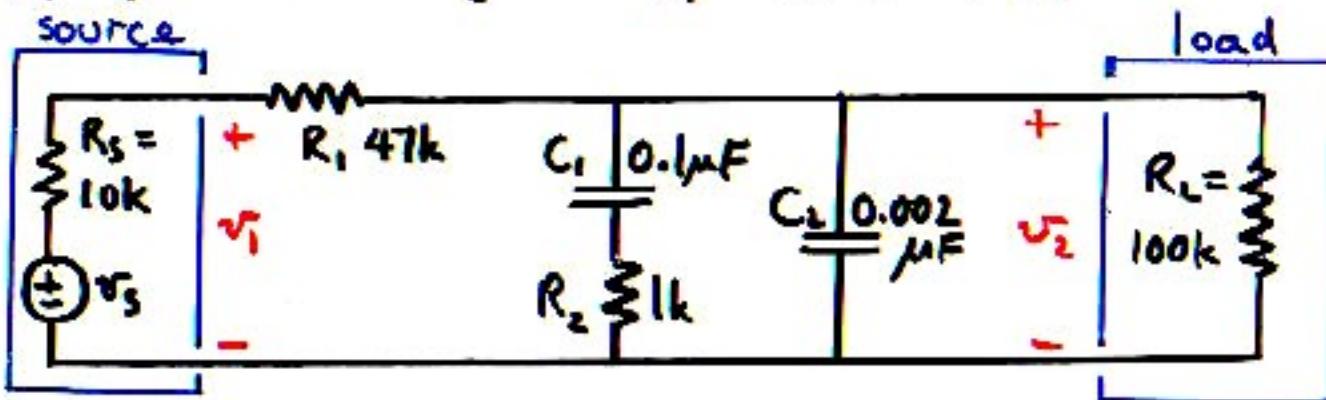
$$\left(R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L \right) \quad \left(R_1 \parallel R_L \right) \quad R_2(R_1 \parallel R_L)$$

The same result, including the series/parallel resistance grouping, could have been obtained with less algebra by elimination, first, of one of the loops of the original circuit.

Circuit with R_1 and R_L absorbed into a Thvenin equivalent:

Example

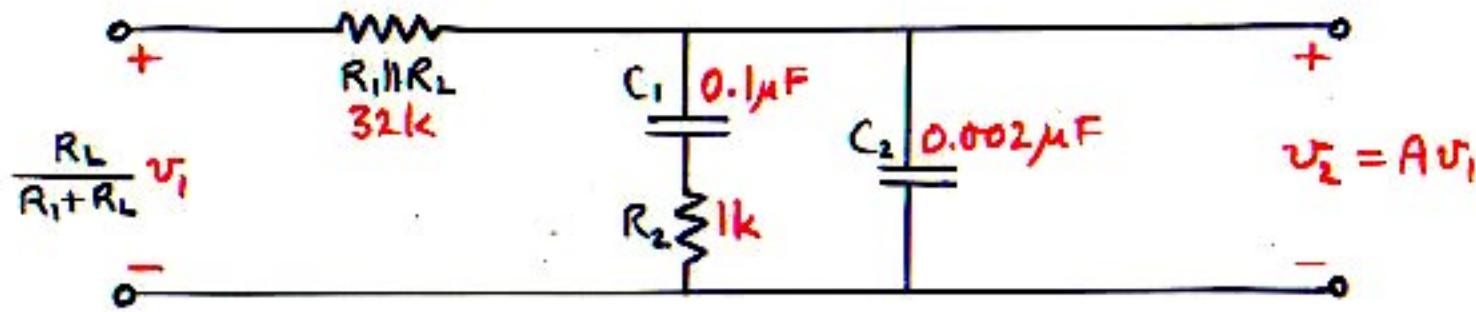
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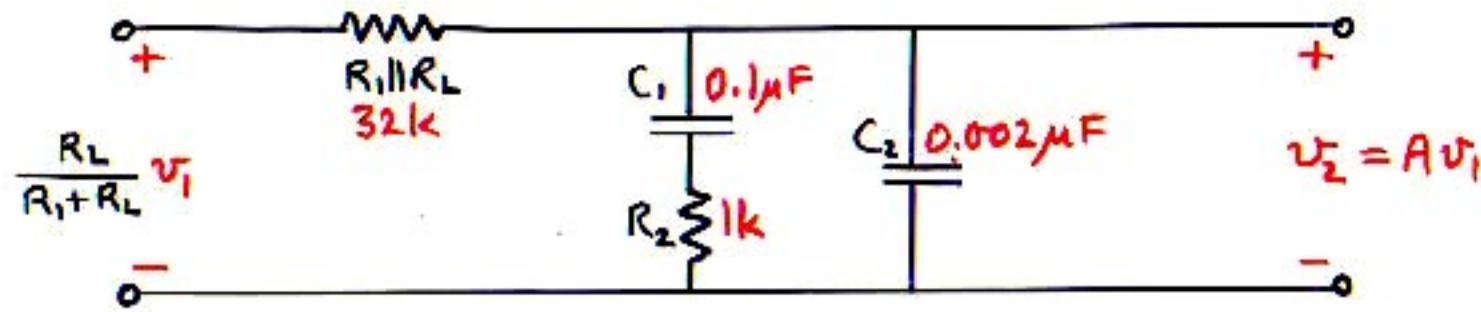


$$A = \frac{\frac{1}{sC_2} \left(R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1} \right)}{R_2 + \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} \right)} \cdot \frac{R_L}{R_1 + R_L}$$

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less ↓ algebra

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Use of numerical values to justify analytic approximation ↑

$$= A_0 \frac{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2})}{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3})}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{\omega_{1,3}} = \frac{C_1(R_2 + R_1//R_L) \pm \sqrt{C_1^2(R_2 + R_1//R_L)^2 - 4C_1C_2R_2(R_1//R_L)}}{2}$$

$\downarrow 3.3 \times 10^{-3}$ $\downarrow 10 \times 10^{-6}$ $\downarrow 0.026 \times 10^{-6}$

This is useless for design, and in any case
is inaccurate numerically.

Generalization: Use of Numerical Values to Justify Analytic Approximations

Use numbers to justify leaving out a term, but continue the analysis with the symbols.

This way, the analysis result can be used for design, because the numbers can be changed so that the answer has the desired value.
(The approximation must be checked to ensure that it is not invalidated by the new numbers.)

Improved formulas for quadratic roots

$$ax^2 + bx + c = a \left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} \right)$$

$$= a(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Disadvantages of the conventional form

1. Complicated algebraic expressions in terms of element values:

$$\frac{1}{w_{1,3}} = \frac{C_1(R_2 + R_1 || R_L) \pm \sqrt{C_1^2(R_2 + R_1 || R_L)^2 - 4C_1 C_2 R_2(R_1 || R_L)}}{2}$$

2. Computationally inaccurate when $4ac \ll b^2$:

$$\frac{1}{w_{1,3}} = 10^{-3} \frac{3.3 \pm \sqrt{3.3^2 - 0.026}}{2}$$

↑
small difference of large numbers, for one root

Disadvantages of the conventional form:

2. Small difference of large numbers, in some cases:

$$z^2 + bz + 1 = 0; \quad b = 45,000$$

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HPISC: works with 10 digits, last one rounded.

Is z_{1a} or z_{1b} the correct answer? Or is neither correct?

Try a third algorithm: successive approximation

$$z^2 + bz + 1 = 0$$

$$bz_1 = -(1+z_1^2)$$

$$z_1 = -\frac{1}{b}(1+z_1^2)$$

Since $b \gg 1$, then $z_1 \ll 1$, so:

$$z_1 \approx -\frac{1}{b}\left(1+\frac{1}{b^2}\right) = -\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{b^3}$$

$$= -2.222,222,222, \times 10^{-5}$$
$$-0.000,000,001,097,393,690 \times 10^{-5}$$

So, the correct answer is

$z_1 = -2.222,222,222 \times 10^{-5}$ correct to 9 significant figures.

Note that:

$$\frac{z_{1a}}{z_1} - 1 = \frac{-2,000,000,000}{-2.222,222,222} - 1 = -10\%$$

$$\frac{z_{1b}}{z_1} - 1 = \frac{-2,250,000,000}{-2.222,222,222} - 1 = +1.25\%$$

b	\hat{z}_{1a} error	\hat{z}_{1b} error
42,000	5.00%	5.84%
43,000	7.50%	1.70%
44,000	10.0%	6.48%
45,000	-10.0%	1.25%
46,000	-8.00%	5.60%
47,000	-6.00%	-5.99%
48,000	-4.00%	3.68%
49,000	-2.00%	8.05%
50,000	0%	0%
51,000	2.00%	4.04%

Conclusions:

- (a) The correct result was obtained with use of an algebraic approximation, whereas the incorrect results were obtained without an algebraic approximation.
- (b) The numerical error introduced depends on the algebraic format. (Small difference of large numbers)

Hence, need a better algebraic format for the roots of a quadratic.

Better method:

$$x_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = -\frac{b}{a} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \right] = -\frac{b}{a} F$$

where

$$F \equiv \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2}, \quad Q^2 \equiv \frac{ac}{b^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = -\frac{b}{a} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \right] \\ &= -\frac{b}{a} \frac{\left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \right] \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \right]}{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \right]} = -\frac{b}{a} \frac{\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}(1 - 4Q^2)}{F} \\ &= -\frac{b}{a} \frac{Q^2}{F} = -\frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F} \end{aligned}$$

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Crucial step: Large numbers are subtracted exactly, leaving the small difference in analytic form.

Hence, both roots can be computed with equal accuracy:

$$x_1 = -\frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F} \quad x_2 = -\frac{b}{a} F$$

Rewrite the two roots:

$$x_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

x_2 is acceptable for all values; x_1 is unacceptable for $4ac < b^2$.

Rewrite x_2 :

$$x_2 = -\frac{b}{a} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4ac}{b^2}} \right]$$

Now, instead of using the formula for x_1 directly, use the property of the quadratic that $x_1 x_2 = \frac{c}{a}$:

$$x_1 = \frac{c}{a} \frac{1}{x_2} = -\frac{c}{a} \frac{a}{b} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4ac}{b^2}}}$$

Thus, the improved formulas for the quadratic roots are:

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Improved formulas for quadratic roots

$$\begin{aligned} ax^2 + bx + c &= a \left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} \right) \quad \leftarrow \\ &= a(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \quad \rightarrow \\ x_{1,2} &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite the two roots:

$$x_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

x_2 is acceptable for all values; x_1 is unacceptable for $4ac < b^2$.

Rewrite x_2 :

$$x_2 = -\frac{b}{a} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4ac}{b^2}} \right]$$

Now, instead of using the formula for x_1 directly, use the property of the quadratic that $x_1 x_2 = \frac{c}{a}$:

$$x_1 = \frac{c}{a} \frac{1}{x_2} = -\frac{c}{a} \frac{a}{b} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4ac}{b^2}}}$$

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More elegant form:

$$x_1 = -\frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F} \quad \frac{x_1}{x_2} = \frac{Q^2}{F^2} \quad x_2 = -\frac{b}{a} F$$

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This is exact for all values.

If $Q > 0.5$, F is complex \Rightarrow complex roots

If $Q < 0.5$, F is real \Rightarrow real roots

If $Q \approx 0.5$, $F \approx 1$

Note how simple the analytic roots, and therefore
the quadratic factorization, become if $F \approx 1$.

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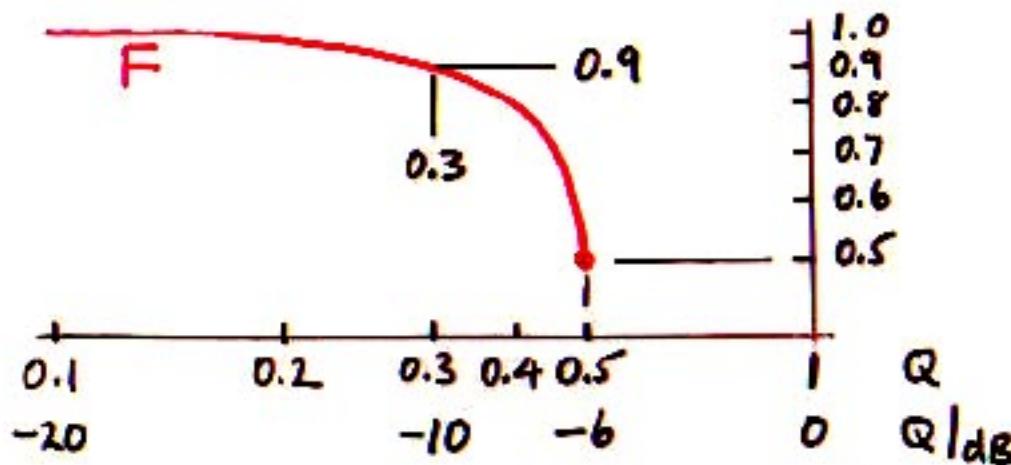
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$F \rightarrow 1$ very rapidly as Q drops below 0.5:



$F \approx 1$ with 10% error for $Q \leq 0.3$

General result:

$$\begin{aligned} ax^2 + bx + c &= a\left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a}\right) \\ &= a(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \\ &= a\left(x + \frac{c}{b}F\right)\left(x + \frac{b}{a}F\right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$= a\left(x + \frac{c}{b} - \frac{1}{F}\right)\left(x + \frac{b}{a}F\right)$$

Good approximation
for real roots, $Q = \sqrt{\frac{ac}{b^2}} \leq 0.5$:
 $F \approx 1$

$$\stackrel{F=1}{\approx} a\left(x + \frac{c}{b}\right)\left(x + \frac{b}{a}\right)$$

where

$$F \equiv \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 - \frac{4ac}{b^2}}$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{c}{b} - \frac{1}{F} \approx -\frac{c}{b}$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{b}{a}F \approx -\frac{b}{a}$$

Alternative format:

$$\begin{aligned} ax^2 + bx + c &= c \left(1 + \frac{b}{c}x + \frac{a}{c}x^2\right) \\ &= c \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_2}\right) \\ &= c \left(1 + \frac{b}{c}Fx\right) \left(1 + \frac{a}{b} \frac{1}{F}x\right) \end{aligned}$$

where

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where

$$F = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-4Q^2}$$

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Generalization: Improved Formulas for Roots of a Quadratic

$$F \equiv \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 - 4Q^2}$$

$$Q^2 \equiv \frac{ac}{b^2}$$

$$Q^2 \equiv \frac{a_2}{a_1^2}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = a(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F}$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{b}{a} F$$

$$1 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 = \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{x_2}\right)$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{1}{a_1 F}$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{a_1}{a_2} F$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = a\left(x + \frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F}\right)\left(x + \frac{b}{a} F\right)$$

$$1 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 = (1 + a_1 F x)(1 + \frac{a_2}{a_1} \frac{1}{F} x)$$

For real roots, $Q \leq 0.5$ and $F \approx 1$:

$$x_1 \approx -\frac{c}{b}$$

$$\frac{x_1}{x_2} \approx Q^2$$

$$x_1 \approx -\frac{1}{a_1}$$

$$x_2 \approx -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$x_2 \approx -\frac{a_1}{a_2}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c \approx a\left(x + \frac{c}{b}\right)\left(x + \frac{b}{a}\right)$$

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Advantages over the conventional formulas

1. Both roots can be computed with equal accuracy
(avoids small difference of large numbers).
2. For real roots, to a very good approximation,
there is no $\sqrt{\quad}$ anywhere in the results,
and each root is a simple ratio of
coefficients of the original quadratic.

Useful format of quadratic $1+a_1s+a_2s^2$

Define: $Q \equiv \frac{\sqrt{a_2}}{a_1}$

If $Q > 0.5$ (F complex), roots are complex.

Leave in quadratic form:

$$1+a_1s+a_2s^2 = 1 + \frac{a_1}{\sqrt{a_2}} (\sqrt{a_2}s) + (\sqrt{a_2}s)^2$$

$\frac{1}{Q} \nearrow$ \nwarrow normalized frequency

If $Q < 0.5$ ($F \approx 1$), roots are real.

Factor into two real roots: \nearrow real corner frequencies

$$\begin{aligned} 1+a_1s+a_2s^2 &\approx (1+a_1s)\left(1+\frac{a_2}{a_1}s\right) \\ &= \left[1 + \frac{a_1}{\sqrt{a_2}} (\sqrt{a_2}s)\right] \left[1 + \frac{\sqrt{a_2}}{a_1} (\sqrt{a_2}s)\right] \\ &\quad \frac{1}{Q} \nearrow \quad Q \nearrow \quad \nwarrow \text{normalized frequency} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise:

Find, both analytically and numerically, the Q and hence the roots ω_1 and ω_3 of the quadratic:

$$1 + C_1 [R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L] s + [C_1 C_2 R_2 (R_1 \parallel R_L)] s^2$$

where $C_1 = 0.1 \mu F$, $C_2 = 0.002 \mu F$, $R_1 = 47k$, $R_2 = 1k$, $R_L = 100k$. Express the analytic results in terms of series/parallel element combinations, and express the numerical results in Hz or kHz.

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$$Q^2 = \frac{a_2}{a_1^2} = \frac{C_1 C_2 R_2 (R_1 || R_L)}{C_1^2 (R_2 + R_1 || R_L)^2} = \frac{C_2}{C_1} \frac{R_2 || R_1 || R_L}{\cancel{R_2} + \cancel{R_1 || R_L}} \approx \frac{C_2}{C_1} \frac{R_2}{R_1 || R_L} = \frac{1}{50} \frac{1}{47 || 100} = \frac{1}{1,600}$$

Hence, $F = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 - 4Q^2} \approx 1$, so the roots are real: ($F = 0.9994$) $Q = \frac{1}{40} \ll 0.5$

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{a_1} = \frac{1}{C_1 (R_2 + R_1 || R_L)} \quad f_1 = \frac{159}{0.1 (1 + \frac{47 || 100}{32})} \text{ Hz} = 48 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_3 &= \frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{C_1 (R_2 + R_1 || R_L)}{C_1 C_2 R_2 (R_1 || R_L)} \\ &= \frac{1}{C_2 (R_2 || R_1 || R_L)} \quad f_3 = \frac{159}{0.002 (\underbrace{1 || 32}_{0.97})} \text{ Hz} = 82 \text{ kHz} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$A \approx \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_1} \frac{1 + sC_1R_2}{[1 + C_1(R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L)s][1 + C_2(R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel R_L)s]}$$
$$= A_0 \frac{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}\right)}$$

where

$$A_0 = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_1}$$

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where

$$A_0 = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_1} = \frac{100}{100+47} = 0.68 \Rightarrow -3.4 \text{ dB}$$

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$$\omega_2 = \frac{1}{C_1R_2} \quad f_2 = \frac{159}{0.1 \times 1} = 1.6 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\omega_3 = \frac{1}{C_2(R_1||R_2||R_L)} \quad f_3 = \frac{159}{0.002(47||1||100)} = 82 \text{ kHz}$$

The conventional quadratic formula for the two poles w_1 and w_3 is much higher entropy (gives much less useful information) than does the modified formula.

Conventional:

$$\frac{1}{w_{1,3}} = \frac{C_1(R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L) \pm \sqrt{C_1^2(R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L)^2 - 4 C_1 C_2 R_2(R_1 \parallel R_L)}}{2}$$

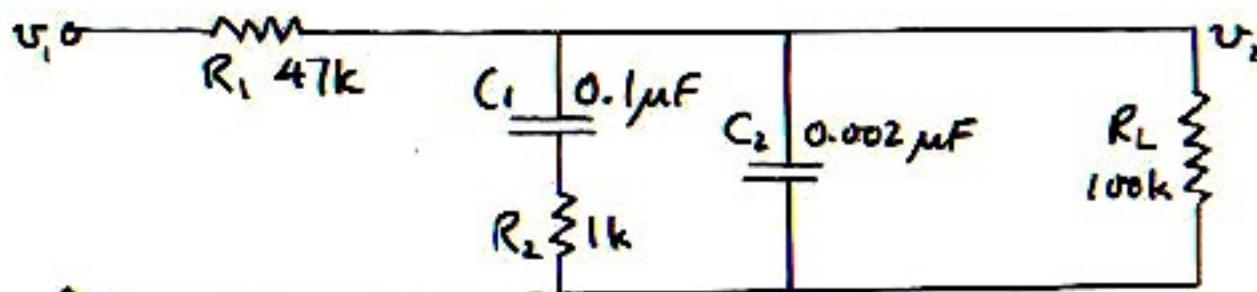
Modified:

$$w_1 = \frac{1}{C_1(R_2 + R_1 \parallel R_L)} \quad w_3 = \frac{1}{C_2(R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel R_L)}$$

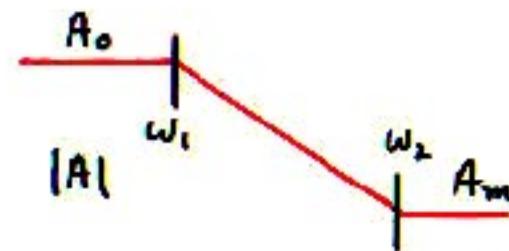
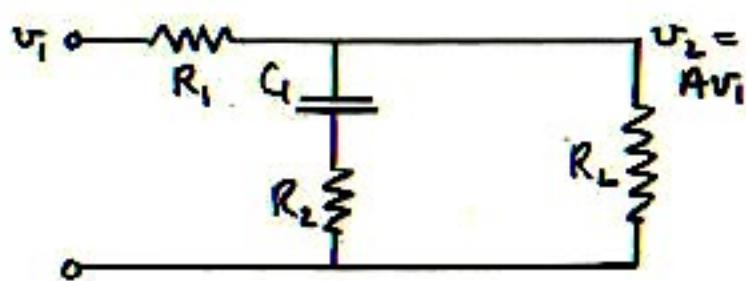
Note, in particular, (when the two roots are real and well-separated) that the modified formula is much lower entropy and not only gives both roots with equal numerical accuracy, but also exposes the fact that C_1 affects only w_1 and C_2 affects only w_3 — which is useful information for design purposes.

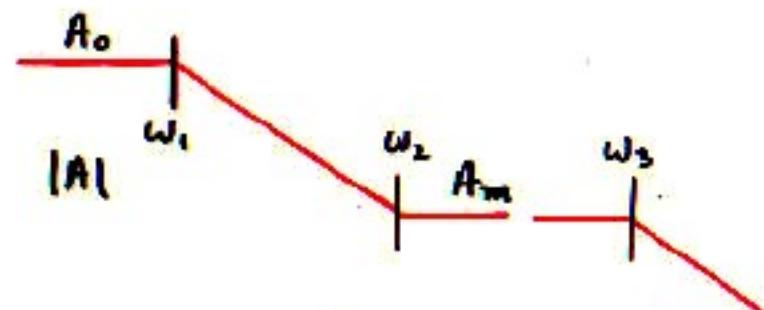
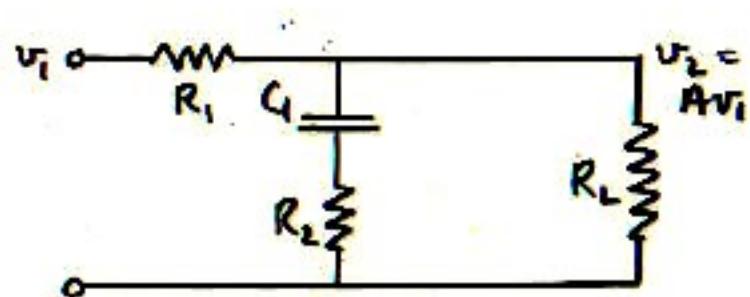
A still better solution

Look at the original circuit and consider response as frequency increases:

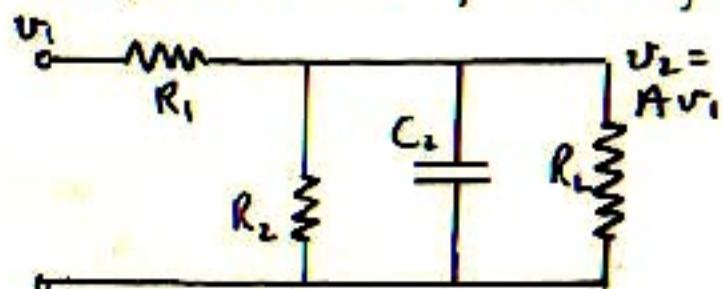


At low frequencies, both capacitances are open, so have flat response. As frequency increases, the reactance of C_1 , the larger capacitance, comes down causing a pole. When the reactance of C_1 drops below R_2 , the response flattens causing a zero. However, at this frequency the reactance of C_2 is still 50 times higher than R_2 , so C_2 has negligible effect.

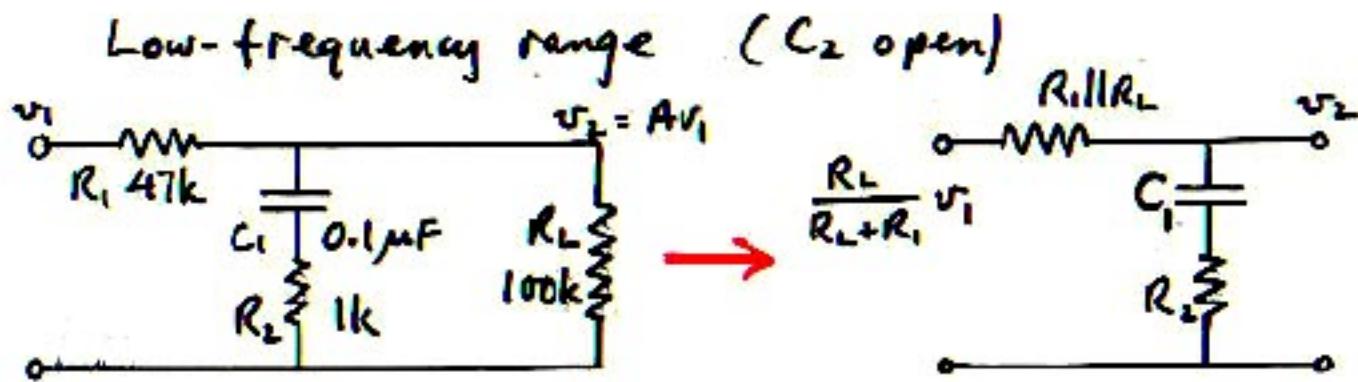




At still higher frequencies, the reactance of C_2 drops below R_2 , causing a second pole



Hence, the solution can be obtained in two parts, each containing only one reactance (one pole).



$$A = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_1} \frac{R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1}}{R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_1} + R_2 || R_L} = A_0 \frac{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}}{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}} = A_m \frac{1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s}}{1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s}}$$

where

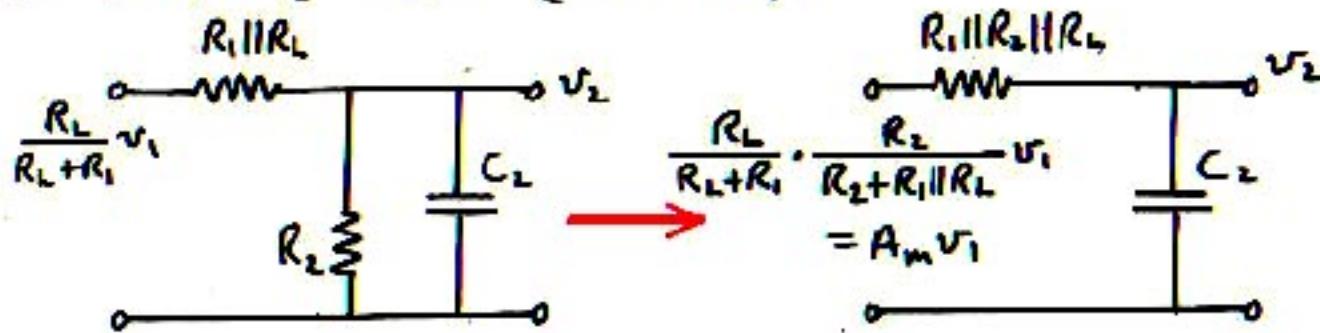
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$$A_m = A_0 \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_1} \cdot \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_2 || R_L} = 0.68 \frac{0.048}{1.6} = 0.02 \Rightarrow -34 \text{ dB}$$

High-frequency range (C_1 short)

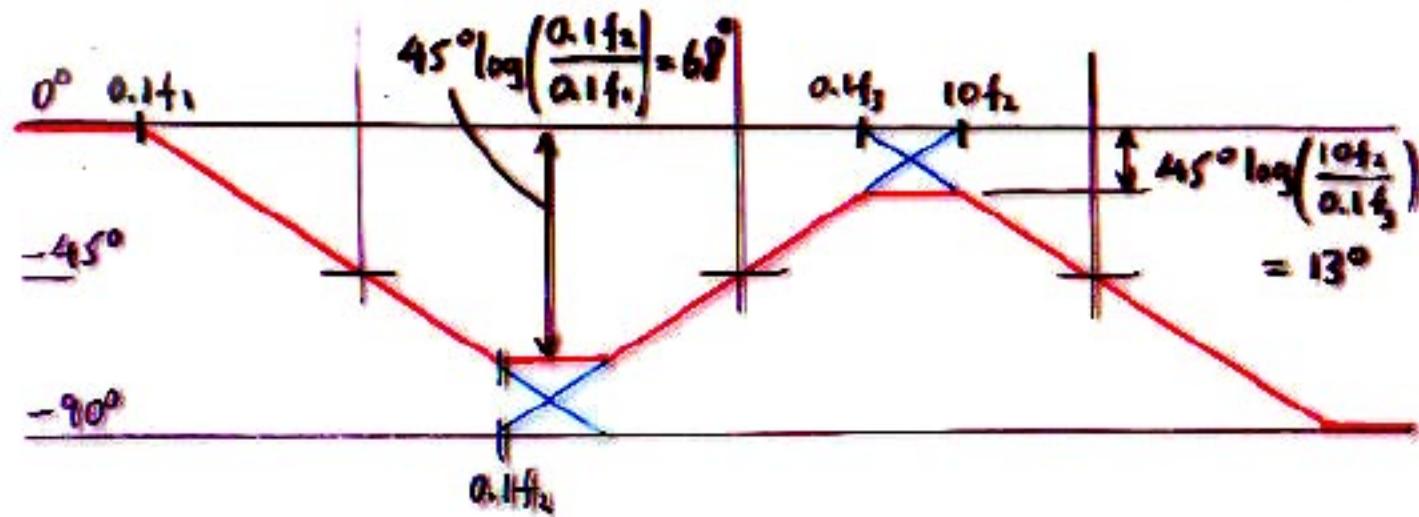
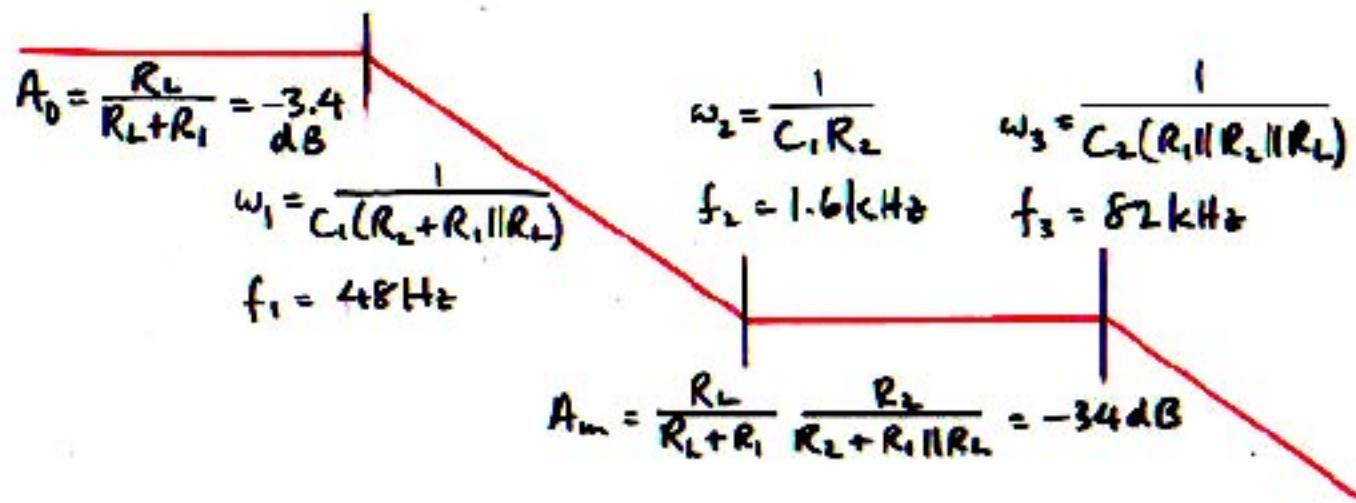


$$A = A_m \frac{1}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3}} \quad \text{where} \quad \omega_3 = \frac{1}{C_2 (R_1 || R_L || R_L)}$$

$$f_3 = \frac{159}{0.002(47 || 1 || 100)} = 82 \text{ kHz}$$

Hence, overall response is

$$A = A_0 \frac{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3}\right)} = A_m \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\omega_2}{s}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{\omega_1}{s}\right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3}\right)}$$



$$= A_0 \frac{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2})}{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3})}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{\omega_{1,3}} = \frac{C_1(R_2 + R_1//R_L) \pm \sqrt{C_1^2(R_2 + R_1//R_L)^2 - 4C_1C_2R_2(R_1//R_L)}}{2}$$

This is useless for design, and in any case
is inaccurate numerically.

Generalization: Presentation of Results

Sketch magnitude and phase by straight-line asymptotes, and label salient features (flat gains, corner frequencies, Q's, etc.) with both analytic expressions and numerical values.

This is a compact summary so that both the analytic and numerical results can be interpreted at a glance, which is especially useful for reports, design reviews, etc. so that managers can easily and quickly see and understand the results obtained by others.

For design, the element values that must be changed to give different numerical results can easily be seen.