

Poles and Zeros

All the network functions we discussed are clearly the ratio of polynomials of "s" and have the general form:

$$N(s) = \frac{A(s)}{B(s)} = \frac{a_0 s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}{b_0 s^m + b_1 s^{m-1} + \dots + b_{m-1} s + b_m}$$

Suppose $A(s) = 0$ has n roots z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n and $B(s) = 0$ has m roots p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m .

$$\text{Then, } N(s) = \frac{a_0 (s - z_1)(s - z_2) \dots (s - z_n)}{b_0 (s - p_1)(s - p_2) \dots (s - p_m)}$$

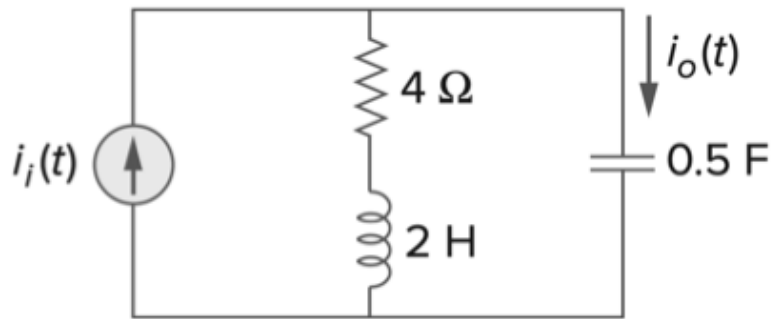
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Further, $N(s) \rightarrow \infty$ for $s = p_i$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$). Such complex frequencies are known as the poles of the network function.

Note: A network function having real and complex poles and zeros is stable if the real parts of the poles are negative (poles in LHP).

Q. Calculate the current gain $\frac{I_o(s)}{I_i(s)}$ of the circuit :

What are its poles and zeros ?



$$A. \quad I_o(s) = \frac{4 + 2s}{4 + 2s + \frac{2}{s}} \cdot I_i(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{I_o(s)}{I_i(s)} = \frac{s^2 + 2s}{s^2 + 2s + 1}$$

Zeros : $s^2 + 2s = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 = 0, z_2 = -2$

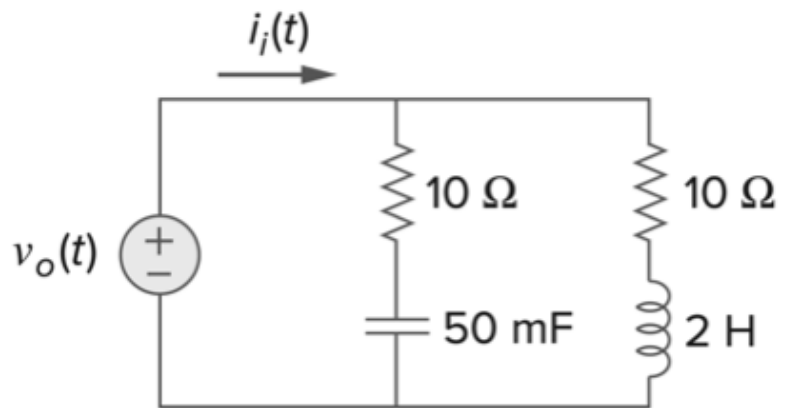
Poles : $s^2 + 2s + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow p_1 = p_2 = -1$

Both the poles are in the LHP. Hence, the network function is stable.

Q. Calculate the transfer function $\frac{V_o(s)}{I_i(s)}$

of the circuit :

What are its poles
and zeros ?



A. $\frac{V_o(s)}{I_i(s)}$ is simply the input impedance
of this circuit.

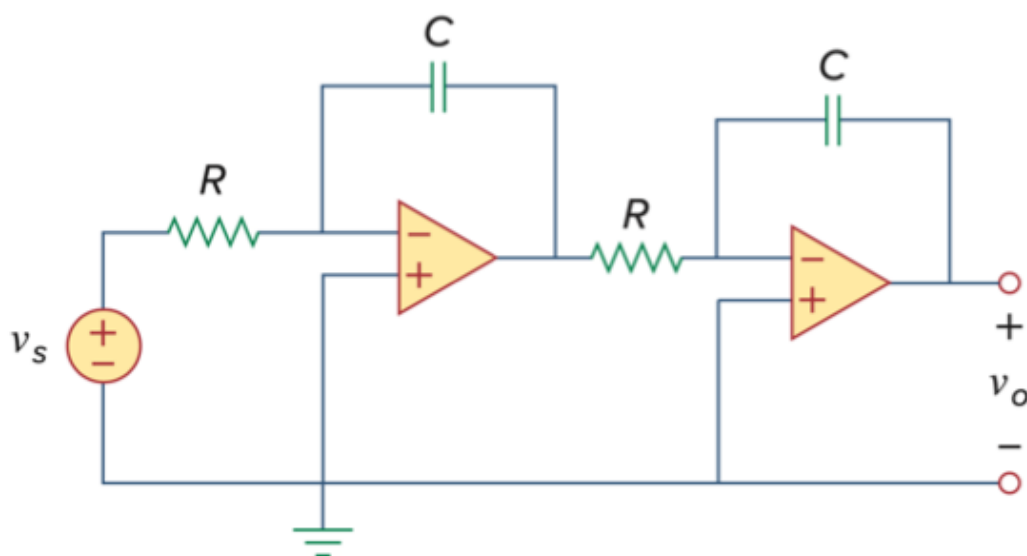
$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_o(s)}{I_i(s)} = \frac{(10 + 2s)\left(10 + \frac{20}{s}\right)}{10 + 2s + 10 + \frac{20}{s}} = \frac{10s^2 + 70s + 100}{s^2 + 10s + 10}$$

Zeros : $10s^2 + 70s + 100 = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 = -2, z_2 = -5$

Poles : $s^2 + 10s + 10 = 0 \Rightarrow p_1 = -5 + \sqrt{15}$
 $p_2 = -5 - \sqrt{15}$

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Q. Is this op amp circuit stable?



$$A. \quad \frac{V_s(s)}{R} = - \frac{V_{o1}(s)}{\frac{1}{Cs}}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{V_{o1}(s)}{R} = - \frac{V_o(s)}{\frac{1}{Cs}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_o(s)}{V_s(s)} = \frac{1}{s^2 R^2 C^2} \quad (\text{unstable as repeated poles on the imaginary axis})$$

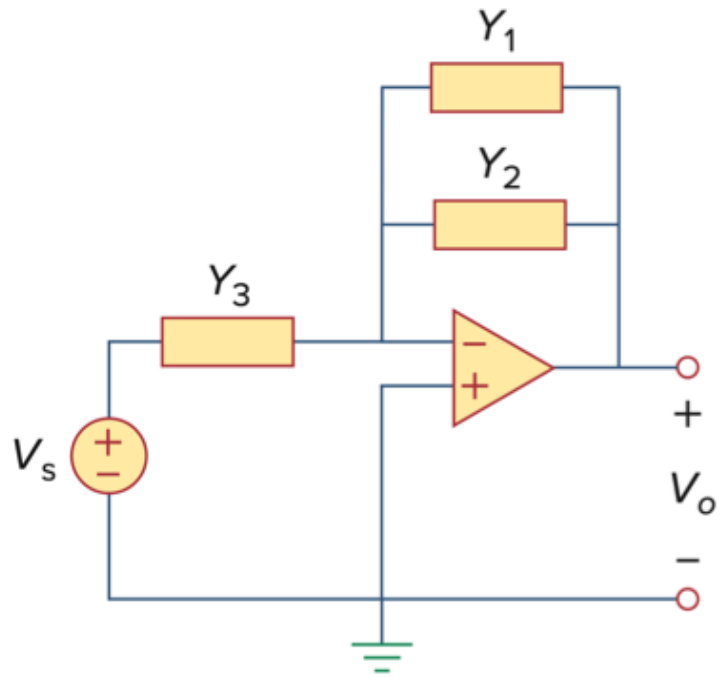
$$\text{Also, } \frac{V_o(s)}{V_s(s)} \Leftrightarrow \frac{t u(t)}{R^2 C^2} \quad (\text{unstable})$$

Q. Let $Y_1 = sC_1$, $Y_2 = \frac{1}{R_1}$, $Y_3 = sC_2$.

Choose $R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$,

determine C_1 & C_2 such

that
$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_s(s)} = \frac{-s}{s+10}.$$



A.
$$\frac{V_s(s)}{\frac{1}{C_2 s}} = -V_o(s) \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_1 s}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_o(s)}{V_s(s)} = \frac{-s \left(\frac{C_2}{C_1} \right)}{s + \frac{1}{R_1 C_1}} = \frac{-s}{s+10}$$

Hence, $C_1 = C_2$ and $\frac{1}{10^3 C_1} = 10$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = C_2 = 100 \mu\text{F}$$