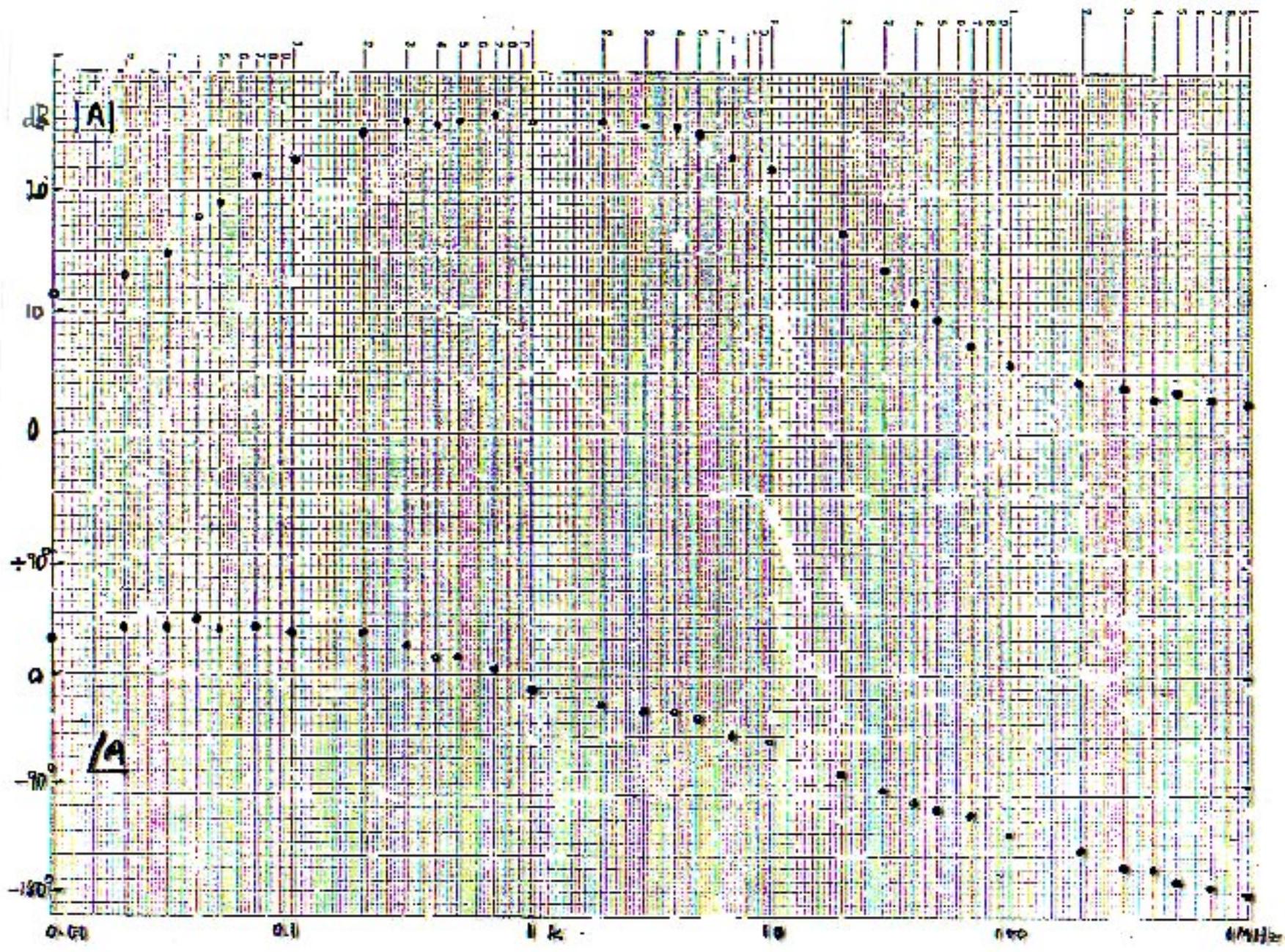


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**FINDING FACTORED POLE-ZERO
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Exercise

The accompanying graph shows experimental magnitude data for a certain gain function $A(s)$. Draw appropriate straight-line asymptotes through the data points and hence deduce numerical values for the mid frequency gain A_m and for the poles and zeros in the corresponding analytic expression for $A(s)$.



Reduction of Experimental Magnitude and Phase Data.

Objective: To find the best values of the (small number) of values for the flat gains and corner frequencies in the factored pole-zero expression that fit the (large number) of data points.

Method: Draw the best straight-line asymptotes that fit the data points over limited frequency ranges, subject to the constraints:

1. Asymptote slopes must be zero or multiples of $\pm 20\text{dB/dec}$ (magnitude) or $\pm 45^\circ/\text{dec}$ (phase), unless there are resonances.
2. Corner frequencies determined from magnitude and phase must be the same.

Useful consideration: the phase data give a more accurate value of a nearby corner frequency than do the magnitude data.

