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1A. FETs AND BJTs ARE CCDs

Field-Effect Transistors and Bipolar Junction Transistors are Charge-Controlled Devices

Both can be represented by the same small-signal equivalent circuit model

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This is the model used throughout the TT DVD

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An Improved Formula expresses the closed-loop gain Gin terms of only two quantities, the Specification G_{∞} and the Loop Gain T







Goo is the gain conventionally calculated on the assumption of { infinite loop gain T infinite forward gain A zero error signal ve





For zero error signal
$$V_{\varepsilon} = 0$$
: $V_{b} = V_{a}$
 $Kv_{2} = v_{1}$
 $\frac{V_{2}}{v_{1}} = G_{00} = \frac{1}{K} = \frac{Z_{a} + Z_{b}}{Z_{a}}$

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For zero error signal
$$V_E = 0$$
: $i_b = i_a$
 $\frac{U_2}{U_b} = \frac{U_1}{Z_b}$
 $\frac{U_2}{U_b} = \frac{U_1}{Z_a}$

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Principal effect of feedback:

$$G \xrightarrow{T \to 0} A$$
 $G \xrightarrow{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{K}$
 $T \equiv AK$

Feedback $\underbrace{Transfers}_{G}$ sensitivity $\underbrace{from}_{G} A + \underbrace{to}_{G} K$:
 $G = \frac{A}{I+AK}$

 $In G = In A - In (I+AK)$
 $\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{\Delta A}{A} - \frac{K\Delta A + A\Delta K}{I+AK}$
 $= \frac{1}{I+T} \frac{\Delta A}{A} - \frac{T}{I+T} \frac{\Delta K}{K}$
 $= \frac{1}{I+T} \frac{\Delta A}{A} - \frac{T}{I+T} \frac{\Delta K}{K}$
 f
 $decreases$
 $for increasing T$

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Although the factored pole-zero forms for F and D could easily have been obtained analytically in this case, the above graphical procedure saves much algebra in more complicated cases because suitable approximations can be seen immediately. Notice that in finding F = 1+T and 1/D = 1 + 1/T a sum (or in general a

1/D = 1 + 1/T a sum (or in general a difference) is determined from the asymptotes on log scales. This is an example of the powerful technique of obing the algebra on the graph. Generalization: Doing the Algebra on the Graph

The log-log scales of dB vs. log freemency graphs permit determination of Not only: Exact combinations of products and quotients of constituent factors But also. Approximate combinations of sums and differences of constituent factors: which over is the larger dominates. This technique permits approximate analytic results to be obtained, in which algebraic approximations are replaced by graphical approximations.

Examples: Analytic determination from T of F=1+T and D=T/F.

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Determination of Feedback System Parameters - General

The method of Loop Gain T determination T by injection of a test signal into the closed loop can be generalized and, by inclusion of the Null Double Injection technique, also leads to determination of the Ideal Closed-Loop Gain Goo.

Basic relations:

$$G = \frac{A}{1+AK} = \frac{A}{1+T}$$
$$= \frac{1}{K} \frac{T}{1+T}$$
$$= G_{\infty} D$$













For single injection, up only (normal operation):

$$\frac{u_0}{u_1}\Big|_{u_2=0} = G = G_{\infty} \frac{T}{1+T} = \frac{closed-loop}{gain}$$







Note that A = TGos and K = 1/Gos: Consider a second driving signal uz injected into the forward path:



For single injection,
$$u_z$$
 only,
 $\frac{u_y}{u_x}\Big|_{u_i=0} = A_z K A_i = AK \equiv T$ loop gain

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For double injection, us and $u_{\overline{z}}$, adjusted to null $u_{\overline{y}}$: $\frac{u_0}{u_i}|_{u_y=0} = \frac{1}{K} \equiv G_{00}$ ideal closed-loop gain

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Generalization: The Feedback Theorem

The feedback path does several things: 1. Provides the feedback signal — ideal (desired) 2. Loads the output 3. Loads the input fromideal (undesired)

Conventional form of the theorem :

$$G = \frac{A}{1+T}$$
 where $T = AK$

Disadvantages: Breaking the feedback path at the input or the output disturbs the loading effects.

Recommended form of the theorem: G = Good where Goo = K D = I+T Advantages: 1. Gos and D are directly related to the important properties of the system: Goo, the Ideal Loop Gain, is the design Specification: D, the Discrepancy Factor, must be designed to be close to unity over the specified frequency range. 2. I can be found by injection of a test signal into the closed loop, without disturbance of the feedback path loading effects, and Goo can be found by Null Double Injection of both the input and a test signal. NOTE: It is never necessary to know A, the open-loop forward gain: A is always embedded in T, which is why the nonideal loading effects of the feedback path are automatically accounted for.

Implementation of injection of second signal for loop gain determination



Conditions to be satisfied by injection point: 1. Must be inside the feedback loop

2. Injected signal must add to the forward signal without affecting the impedance loading Two points satisfy these conditions

1. Inject a voltage in series with a controlled Voltage generator:



Two points satisfy these conditions

2. Inject a current in shunt with a controlled current generator:





For all calculations concerning loop gain, the input vollage Vs is zero.

Suitable injection points: Series voltage at point P Shunt current at point Q



If current injection is chosen, the gain from vi to the power stage output generator can be condensed into a single factor:

$$\frac{A_{10}}{1+\frac{s}{\omega_A}} \frac{R_a}{R_a+R_b} \frac{n}{R_E} v_i^* = \frac{nA_{10}}{R_E(1+\frac{s}{\omega_A})} v_i^*$$

where

 $A_{10}^{\prime} = A_{10} \frac{R_{a}}{R_{a} + R_{b}} = 8 dB \times \frac{17.7}{17.7 + 4.5} = 2.51 \times 0.80$

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is the loaded gain of the opamp.

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$$T = \frac{i_{y}}{i_{x}}\Big|_{U_{s}=0} = \frac{R_{L}}{R_{L}+R_{4}+R_{5}[R_{1}(1+\frac{w_{1}}{s})]} \frac{R_{s}}{R_{s}+R_{1}(1+\frac{w_{1}}{s})} \frac{R_{1}nA_{10}}{R_{e}(1+\frac{w_{1}}{\omega_{R}})}$$
where
$$\omega_{1} \equiv \frac{1}{CR_{1}} \qquad f_{1} = \frac{159}{2xL} = 40H_{2}$$

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This method requires additional algebraic force to find the corner frequencies. Therefore, choose Better Method:

First, find
$$T_m$$
:

$$T_m = \frac{iy}{ix} \Big|_{U_s=0} = \frac{R_L}{\mathcal{R}_s + \mathcal{R}_s +$$

Second, find corner frequencies due to C by use of
Extra Element Theorem.
Apply test signal
$$u_z$$
 in place of C.
To find $Z_n = R_n$:
Minput signal for $(u_s = 0)$
Adjust u_z in presence of i_x to null iy
"output" signal for T
Hence: $v_i = 0$, and $R_n = \infty$
To find $Z_d = Rd$:
Apply u_z with $i_x = 0$
Hence: $Rd = (R_d + R_d)(R_s + R_d)$













Calculation of
$$F = 1+T$$
 the Hard Way (by algebra):

$$F = 1+T = 1 + \frac{T_{m} \frac{5}{\omega_{L}}}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})} = \frac{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}}) + T_{m} \frac{5}{\omega_{L}}}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}$$

$$= \frac{1+(\frac{1+T_{m}}{\omega_{L}}+\frac{1}{\omega_{A}})s + (\frac{1}{\omega_{L}\omega_{A}})s^{2}}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}$$

$$= \frac{(1+(\frac{1+T_{m}}{\omega_{L}}+\frac{1}{\omega_{A}})s + (\frac{1}{(1+\frac{T_{m}}{\omega_{L}}}+\frac{1}{\omega_{A}})s)(1+(\frac{1}{(1+\frac{T_{m}}{\omega_{L}}}+\frac{1}{\omega_{A}})-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(\frac{1+T_{m}}{\omega_{L}}+\frac{1}{\omega_{A}})^{2}-\frac{4}{\omega_{A}}}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}$$

$$= \frac{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})} = \frac{\omega_{2}}{\omega_{2}}\frac{(1+\frac{\omega_{2}}{\omega_{L}})(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}{(1+\frac{5}{\omega_{A}})}$$

This result gives no insight into the interpretation of the two zeros was and war, or into the midband value $F_m = \frac{w_2}{w_2}$

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However, a much simpler result is obtaine if the approximate real root form is used.

Check the value of
$$Q^2 = ac/b^2$$
 for the numerator quadratic of F:

$$Q^2 = \frac{1}{\omega_2 \omega_A \left(\frac{1+T_m}{\omega_2} + \frac{1}{\omega_A}\right)^2} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_A \left(1+T_m\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_A (1+T_m)^2}\right)^2} <<<(0.5)^2$$

Hence, the approximate factorization for well-separated real roots can be adopted:

$$F \approx \frac{\left(1 + \left[\frac{1+T_{m}}{\omega_{L}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{A}}\right]s\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{L}\omega_{A}}\left[\frac{1+T_{m}}{\omega_{L}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{A}}\right]\right)}{(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{L}})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{A}})}$$
$$= \left(1 + T_{m} + \frac{w_{2}}{\omega_{A}}\right) \frac{\left(1 + \frac{w_{2}/(1 + T_{m})}{[1 + \frac{1}{[1 + (1 + T_{m})w_{A}}]s]}\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{[1 + (1 + T_{m})w_{A}}\right)}{(1 + \frac{w_{2}}{s})(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{A}})}$$

This is the same result obtained by Doing the Algebra on the Graph.

The algebraic factorization could not have been done at all if T had three or more poles.

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$$\frac{v_s}{R_s} = \frac{v_L}{R_f}$$

$$G_{100} = \frac{R_f}{R_s} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow -6dB$$

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Generalization: Two Conditions for Injection of a Test Signal into a Closed Loop

1. Must be inside the feedback loop

2. Injected signal must add to the forward signal without affecting the impedance loading

Condition 2 can be met by injection of a voltage in series with a dependent voltage source, or by injection of a current in parallel with a current source.



A practical amplifier is not ideal, and the gain does depend on Zs and ZL:



However, on appropriate connection of feedback can make a nonideal amplifier approach more closely the properties of any one of the ideal amplifiers.

Feedback causes the closed-loop gain & to approach the reciprocal feedback ratio 1/K = Go. Thus Go must be designed to have the same current or voltage transfer properties as the desired ideal amplifier.





Ideal feedback path must "sense" ontput voltage and convert it to a fedback voltage. Voltage summing is done in series.

where

$$A = \frac{v_L}{v_S} |_{K=1/G_{\infty}} = 0$$

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Outside output impedance is reduced by the factor I+T.

Inside output impedance is reduced by the factor I+T|======, which is larger than I+T.

Outside and inside output impedances Zof and Zof can each be found directly from the loop gain T. They are almost equal (for large T), hence both are much smaller than ZL.



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Outside input impedance is increased by the factor I+T. Inside input impedance is increased by the factor I+Tlz=>0, which is larger than I+T.

Outside and inside input impedances Zif and Zif can each be found directly from the loop gain T. They are almost equal (for large T), hence both are much larger than Zs.
Bottom Line :

The input and output impedances of a feedback amplifier can be found from a bnowledge solely of the loop gain, which further emphasizes the fact that the loop gain T is the single central, important property of a feedback amplifier.



Generalization: Effect of Feedback on Impedances 1. Output impedance is (decreased) by (voltage) feedback from the output. Input impedance is (increased) by (series) feedback to the input. 2. The "outside" impedances are changed by a factor (1+T) The "inside" impedances are changed by a (arger factor. 2. Alternatively the input of the series of the serie

3. Alternatively, the input and output impedances can be found solely from the loop gain T. Stability If the open-loop gain A is stable, the closedloop gain $G = \frac{A}{I+T}$ is stable if I+T has no roots in the right halfplane (Thp). By complex variable theory, this implies that a polar plot of I+T must not encircle the origin; or, equivalently, that a polar plot of T must not encircle the (-1,0) point (Nyquist Stability Criterion).

Simple cases of the Nyquist plot of loop gain T:





Always stable

2-pole response



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How much phase margin is necessary? Determine the effect of the phase margin by on the closed loop gain G. Since G = Good, the chascrepancy factor D = T/(I+T) is the parameter of interest. Consider the relation between D and T.



factor also has one pole.







If we is much higher than we, obviously D has the same second pole.

Investigate what happens to D if w, is close to, or even below, wo:

$$D = \frac{T}{1+T} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{s}{\omega_0}\left(1+\frac{s}{\omega_2}\right)} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{\omega_1}\left(\frac{s}{\omega_c}\right)+\left(\frac{s}{\omega_c}\right)^2}$$

where
$$\omega_c \equiv \sqrt{\omega_0 \omega_2} \qquad Q \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\omega_0}{\omega_2}}$$

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Hence: discrepancy factor D peaks if second pole is not sufficiently far above wo, and D is characterized by the Q-factor of its quadratic, which is related to w_2 (and w_0) by $Q = \sqrt{\frac{w_0}{w_2}}$.

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Now, investigate what happens to the phase margin ϕ_M if ω_2 is close to, or even below, ω_0 : that is, investigate the relation between Q and ϕ_M .



Now, investigate what happens to the phase margin \$m if we is close to, or even below, wo: that is, investigate the relation between Q and \$m.

$$T = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\omega_0}(1+Q^2\frac{1}{\omega_0})}}$$
The crossover frequency we is obtained by setting $|T|=1$

$$I = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0}\right)^2 \left[1+Q^4\left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0}\right)^2\right]}$$

$$Q^4 \left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0}\right)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0}\right)^2 = -\frac{c}{b} \frac{1}{F} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+4Q^4}}}}$$

$$\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_0} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{1+4Q^4}}}$$

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The phase margin
$$\phi_{M}$$
 is found from $\angle T$ evaluated at
the crossover frequency w_{M} :
 $\phi_{M} \equiv 180^{\circ} + \angle T \rceil_{WM}$
 $= 180 + (-90^{\circ} - tan^{-1} \frac{w_{M}}{w_{0}/Q^{2}})$
which leads to
 $\phi_{M} = tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4Q^{4}}}{2Q^{4}}}$

By inversion:

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{\cos \phi_m}}{\sin \phi_m}$$



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A phase margin on less than 76° causes complex roots in D, and therefore in the closed-loop gain G. In the frequency domain, this results in peaked high-frequency response; in the time domain, it results in transient overshoot. For constant Goo, G & D and the response to a step input is

$$D(t) = \int_{-1}^{-1} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q}(\frac{1}{\omega_{e}}) + (\frac{1}{\omega_{e}})^{2}}$$

$$Q>0.5 = \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{1 - 1/4Q^{2}}} e^{-\frac{\omega_{e}t}{2Q}} \sin\left[\sqrt{1 - 1/4Q^{2}} + \sin^{-1}\sqrt{1 - 1/4Q^{2}}\right]$$



Exercise 10.1

Find the discrepancy factor *D* for a switching regulator loop gain *T*.

Exercise Consider a loop gain that approaches extrapolated crossover frequency we at a double slope, - 40d Bples, and has a zero at w2: T. Wn Express the discrepancy factor D = T/(1+T) in normalized form, and identify a Q.

Exercise

Consider a loop gain that approaches extrapolated crossover frequency wo at a double slope, -40dB/dec, and has a zero .at w2:



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Consider a loop gain that approaches extrapolated crossover frequency we at a double slope, -40dB/dec, and has a zero .at wz:



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Exercise Solution $T = \left(\frac{\omega_0}{s}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right)$ $\frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{s}{\omega_{0}}\right)^{2}\frac{1}{1+s/\omega_{2}}} = \frac{1+\frac{s}{\omega_{2}}}{1+\frac{s}{\omega_{2}}+\left(\frac{s}{\omega_{0}}\right)^{2}}$ where $Q = \frac{\omega_{2}}{\omega_{0}}$ $D = \frac{T}{l+T} = \frac{1}{l+T}$ 1+ 2 500 $= \overline{1 + \frac{1}{Q} \left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right) + \left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right)^2}$ Qcco.s: () w D


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Generalization: How Much Phase Margin is Needed? Depends on two considerations:

- 1. Effect of phase margin of on closed-loop response via the Discrepancy Factor D. Too small a of causes peaking in D.
- 2. The sensitivity of \$m to variations (worst-case). Avoid making \$m strongly dependent on highly variable parameters.

11. NDI AND THE GFT:

Null Double Injection and the General Feedback Theorem

How to identify and include nonidealities in a third quantity, the Null Loop Gain T_n

Conventional block diagram:



where $T \equiv AK$ is the loop gain

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Block diagram approach for closed-loop gain *H*:



The block diagram says: if A = 0, then H = 0

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But, this isn't true in an actual circuit model:



The formula is wrong because it is based on an incomplete model:



Two deficiencies:

1. Requires an ideal injection point

2. Ignores nonidealities

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http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 11. NDI & the GFT In contrast, the Dissection Theorem, which is a formula in similar format, is not based on a model.

On the contrary, the block diagram is a *result* of the formula, not its *origin*, and contains no assumptions or approximations.



Dissection Theorem (DT)



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There are many reasons why the Dissection Theorem is useful.

The *minimum* benefit of the DT is that it embodies the "Divide and Conquer" approach, because one complicated calculation is replaced by three calculations, two of which are ndi calculations and are therefore *simpler* and *easier* than si calculations. Not only does the DT implement the Design & Conquer objective, but the DT is itself a Low Entropy Expression, and *much greater* benefits accrue if the second level TFs have useful physical interpretations.

Thus, the second level TFs themselves contain the useful design-oriented information and you may never need to actually substitute them into the theorem.

For example, if $T, T_n >> 1$, $H \approx H^{u_y}$

How to determine the physical interpretations of the second level TFs?

What kind of signal (voltage or current) is injected, and where it is injected, defines an "injection configuration."

Therefore, the key decision in applying the DT is choosing a test signal injection point so that at least one of the second level TFs has the physical interpretation you want it to have.

Specific injection configurations for the DT lead to the: Extra Element Theorem (EET) Chain Theorem (CT) General Feedback Theorem (GFT)

Dissection Theorem (DT)



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What test signal injection configuration makes the DT represent a feedback system?

We want H^{u_y} to represent the ideal closed-loop gain, and so the test signal u_z must be injected at the error signal summing point. At the same time, u_x is the signal going forward around the feedback loop, so *T* represents the loop gain: Test signal injection at the error signal summing point:



Test signal injection at the error signal summing point:



It is seen that the closed-loop gain *H* is the weighted sum of two components:

closed-loop gain when $T = \infty$: (the "ideal closed-loop gain") closed-loop gain when T = 0: $H_0 \equiv H^{u_x}$ $H_0 \equiv H^{u_x}$ $H_0 \equiv H^{u_x}$

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With these new definitions, the DT morphs into the General Feedback Theorem (GFT):



The augmented feedback block diagram:

This is the same block diagram that represents the conventional model, plus the H_0 block, and the corresponding null loop gain T_n , which represent *nonidealities* not accounted for in the conventional model.



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the feedback path "in the wrong direction.

The GFT Approach:



Inject a test signal u_z at error summing point. The GFT gives all the second-level TFs directly in terms of the circuit elements. As already seen, the GFT can be expressed as the weighted sum of two components:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty} \frac{T}{1 + T} + H_0 \frac{1}{1 + T}$$

It is useful to define the weighting factors as "discrepancy factors" *D* and *D*₀ :

$$D \equiv \frac{T}{1+T} \qquad \qquad D_0 \equiv \frac{1}{1+T}$$

Also define a "null discrepancy factor" $D_n \equiv 1 + \frac{1}{T_n}$

$$H = H_{\infty}DD_n = H_{\infty}D + H_0D_0$$

When T >> 1, $D \to 1$ and $D_0 \to 1/T$ When $T_n >> 1$, $D_n \to 1$

When $T \ll 1$, $D \rightarrow T$ and $D_0 \rightarrow 1$ When $T_n \ll 1$, $D_n \rightarrow 1/T_n$

Different versions of the GFT:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty} \frac{T}{1 + T} + H_0 \frac{1}{1 + T}$$
$$H = H_{\infty} DD_n = H_{\infty} D + H_0 D_0$$

Thus, the direct forward transmisson nonideality H_0 appears either: as a multiplier term, indirectly via T_n or D_n , or as an additive term, directly The job of a *designer*, as distinct from that of an *analyst*, is to construct hardware that meets specifications within certain tolerances.

If you are designing a feedback amplifier, you effectively proceed through four steps:

Design Step #1



Design Step #2



Design Step #2 cont.



Design Step #3



Design Step #4



Design Step #4 cont.





Calculation of the second level TFs H_{∞} , T, H_0 , T_n by injection of a test signal u_z .

Ultimately, we want to calculate the second-level TFs directly from the circuit model, but first we'll do it from the block diagram.

We want to do this by *signal injection*, without disturbing the circuit configuration and therefore without disturbing the circuit determinant.

Normally, we inject a single signal and calculate a TF whose input is that signal. This is single injection (si).

However, a powerful analytic technique is to inject two signals, mutually adjust them to null some dependent signal, and calculate a TF whose input is one or the other of the two injected signals. This is *null double injection* (ndi).

Consider the second-level TF H_{∞} , the ideal closedloop gain. The actual closed-loop gain H falls short of H_{∞} because the error signal, which is the difference between the input signal u_i and the fedback signal Ku_{∂} , isonot zero when the upped and the fedback signal 11. NDI & the GFT 30





Normal closed-loop operation


Inject a test signal u_z that adds to the error signal: the output u_o increases and the error signal u_y decreases



















Test Signal Injection Configuration

In order for the *definitions* of the four second-level TFs H_{∞} , T, H_0 , T_n to have the *interpretations* shown, it is necessary that the Test Signal Injection Configuration satisfy the conditions adopted in the preceding derivation:

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1. The test signal must be injected so that u_y is the error signal. This makes H_∞ equal to the Ideal Closed Loop Gain 1/K, the reciprocal of the feedback ratio.

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2. The test signal must be injected inside the major loop, but outside any minor loops. This makes *T* represent the Principal Loop Gain.

The GFT Approach:



Inject a test signal u_z at error summing point. The GFT gives all the second-level TFs directly in terms of the circuit elements.

Nonidealities:

- 1. Reverse transmission through the feedback path
- 2. Reverse transmission through the forward path
- 3. If both paths have reverse transmission, there is a nonzero reverse loop gain

All nonidealities are automatically accounted for by the GFT

Are u_x, u_y, u_z voltages or currents?



Inverting Opamp



We want to get
$$H_{\infty} = \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$
, so inject e_z to add to the error voltage at P1:

Ideal voltage injection point



An ideal voltage injection point is where v_y comes from an ideal (zero impedance) voltage generator, *or* where v_x looks into an infinite impedance.



$$H^{v_y} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} = 10 \Longrightarrow 20 \text{ dB}$$

$$T = \frac{v_y}{v_x}\Big|_{e_i = 0} \equiv T_v$$





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 $T_{nv}(0) = g_m(0)R_2 = 1100 \Rightarrow 60.8 \text{ dB}$

The redundancy relation

$$\frac{T_{nv}(0)}{T_{v}(0)} = \frac{H^{v_{y}}}{H^{v_{x}}} = 12.0$$

is verified.

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http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 11. NDI & the GFT Note that T_n is a simpler result from a shorter calculation than is H_0 , which is usually the case.

Therefore, it may be preferable to use the second of the two versions of *H* :

First version:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{T}{1+T} + H_0 \frac{1}{1+T} H = H_{\infty} D + H_0 D_0$$

Second version:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}}$$

$$=H_{\infty}DD_{n}$$

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Intusoft ICAP/4 Circuit Simulator with GFT Template



The GFT Template calculates all the second-level TFs H_{∞} , T, H_0 , T_n and inserts them into any version of the first-level TF H, for comparison with the directly calculated H (the "normal" closed-loop gain with no injected test signal).

All TFs can be displayed as magnitude and phase Bode plots.

The results for the above circuit were those usedpreviously to illustrate the four Feedback AmplifierDesign Steps.http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com5711. NDI & the GFT57

Check that *H* is what was expected



Check that *H*[calculated] is same as *H*[direct simulation]



A third version of *H* can be found by forcing the result

to be of the form $H = H_{\infty} \frac{1}{1+1/T_p}$:

$$H = H_{\infty}DD_{n} = H_{\infty}\frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_{n}}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty}\frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_{n}}}{1 + \frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_{n}}}$$

$$= H_{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{T_n}{1 + T_n} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_n}\right)} = H_{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{T_p}} = H_{\infty} D_p$$

where
$$T_p \equiv \frac{D_n}{\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_n}}$$

is a "pseudo loop gain"

is a "pseudo discrepancy factor"

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and

 $D_{p} \equiv \frac{T_{p}}{1 + T_{p}}$ is a "pseudo distinct of the second state of the second

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Ideal current injection point



An ideal current injection point is where i_y comes from an ideal (infinite impedance) current generator, *or* where i_x looks into a zero impedance.

Results are exactly the same as for the ideal voltageinjection point.http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com
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12. DNTI AND THE 2EET:

Double Null Triple Injection and the Two Extra Element Theorem

A short and easy way to find the poles and zeros of a circuit containing two reactances

Benefits of the EET:

1. It is very easy to use.

2. It saves a lot of work.

3. The result is automatically in Low-Entropy form.

Bottom Line:

Two contexts in which the EET is particularly useful:

- 1. A transfer function has already been analyzed, and later an extra element is to be added to the model: the EET avoids the analysis having to be restarted from scratch, since only the two dpi's have to be calculated (on the original model) in order to evaluate the required correction factor upon the already known transfer function.
- 2. A transfer function is to be analyzed for the first time: if one element is designated as "extra," the analysis can be performed on the simpler model in the absence of the designated element, and the result modified by the EET correction factor upon restoration of the "extra" element.

The Extra Element Theorem (EET) can be used successively to add one element after another. For example, a first extra element Z, gives (for reference gain with all extra elements infinite):

$$A|_{z_1} = A_{\text{ref}} \frac{1 + \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1}}{1 + \frac{z_{d_1}}{z_1}}$$

Then, a second extra element Z, can be added:

$$A|_{z_1, z_2} = A_{ref} \frac{1 + \frac{z_{r_1}}{z_1}}{1 + \frac{z_{d_1}}{z_1}} \frac{1 + \frac{z_{r_2}}{z_2}}{1 + \frac{z_{d_2}}{z_2}}$$

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It would be useful to have a theorem that would give Alzi, zi in terms of Aref when both extra elements Zi and Zi are added simultaneously, in which the dpi's for each extra element would be calculated in the absence of the other extra element.

Obviously, in the special case that each dpi is independent of the other extra element (no interaction between the extra elements), the result should be the same is obtained by adding each element independently of the other. (Example: addition of the two coupling capacitances C, and C3 to the common-emilter-emilterfollower amplifier pair.) In the case in which there is interaction between the two extra elements, a generalized Two Extra Element Theorem (ZEET) is needed. (Example: addition of the coupling capacitance (1 and the emitter bypass capacitance (2 to the common-emitter stage.) The Two Extra Element Theorem can be obtained by successive application of the Extra Element Theorem. The derivation, not given here, leads to the following results.

The gain A of a system in the presence of two elements Z, and Z. can be calculated as a correction factor upon the gain when the two elements have cortain "reference" values.

If the reference values are
$$Z_1 = \infty$$
 and $Z_2 = \infty$,
the result is:



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The Zn's and Zd's are the driving point impedances "seen" by the "extra elements" Z1 and Z2, calculated under various conditions as follows:



Single injection



Single injection



Null double injection



Null double injection

There are four Zn's and one redundancy constraint. The result can be expressed in terms of any three of the Zn's.

The same statement holds for the four Za's.

For the 2EET in the above form, the reference gain is $A|_{z_1=\infty}^2$. The Theorem can be expressed in terms of any three other reference gains,

 $A|_{z_1=0}$, $A|_{z_1=\infty}$, $A|_{z_1=0}$ $z_2=0$, $A|_{z_1=0}$, $A|_{z_2=\infty}$ as follows:

$$A = A \Big|_{\substack{z_1 = 0 \\ z_2 = 0}} \frac{1 + \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + K_n \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}}}{1 + \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + K_d \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}}}{\frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}}}$$

$$A = A \Big|_{\substack{z_1 = 0 \\ z_1 = 0}} \frac{1 + \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1}}{1 + \frac{z_{d_1}}{z_1}} + \frac{z_{2}}{z_{n_2}} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1} \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_1} - \frac{z_2}{z_{n_2}} \frac{z_2}{z_{n_2}}}{\frac{z_2}{z_1} + \frac{z_{2}}{z_1}} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1} \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_1} - \frac{z_2}{z_{n_2}}}{\frac{z_2}{z_1} + \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1}} \frac{z_2}{z_1} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{z_{n_1}}{z_1} \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_1} \frac{z_2}{z_1} \frac{z_2}{z_1}}{z_1}$$

$$A = A \Big|_{\substack{z_1 = 0 \\ z_2 = \infty}} \frac{\left| + \frac{z_1}{z_{n_1}} + \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_2} + \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_2} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{z_1}{z_{n_1}} \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_{n_2}} + \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_2} + \frac{z_{n_2}}{z_$$

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Interaction Parameter
$$K_n \equiv \frac{Z_{n1}|_{Z_1=0}}{Z_{n1}|_{Z_2=0}} = \frac{Z_{n2}|_{Z_1=0}}{Z_{n2}|_{Z_1=0}}$$

= 1 if no interaction

Interaction Parameter
$$K_d = \frac{2d_1|_{z_1=0}}{2d_1|_{z_2=\infty}} = \frac{2d_2|_{z_1=0}}{2d_2|_{z_2=\infty}}$$

= 1 if no interaction

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Then, if
$$K_n = 1$$
 and $K_d(=1)$, the 2EET factors exactly.
For example, for the version in which the reference
gain is $A|_{z_1=\infty}^{z_1=\infty}$:
 $A = A|_{z_1=\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{Z_{n_1}|_{z_2=\infty}}{Z_1} + \frac{Z_{n_2}|_{z_1=\infty}}{Z_1} + \frac{Z_{n_2}|_{z_1=\infty}}{Z_2} + K_n \frac{Z_{n_1}|_{z_2=\infty}}{Z_1} \frac{Z_{n_2}|_{z_1=\infty}}{Z_2}$

This result is the same as would be obtained by applying the single EET successively for each extra element.

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http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 12. DNTI & the 2EET Both the Extra Element Theorem and the Two Extra Element Theorem can be used to advantage to reduce the work in analysis of a system, by identification of one or more elements as "extra." The advantage is especially great when the extra elements are reactances and the circuit is purely resistive when the extra elements have their reference values: the Zn's and Zd's are then resistive, and the correction factor gives the corner frequencies directly.



Identify L and C as "extra elements", with reference values $Z_1 = 0$ and $Z_2 = \infty$, so that the reference transfer function is the lowfrequency value $H_0 = H|_{Z_1 = 0}^{Z_1 = 0}$

All the dpi's are resistances.





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$$\operatorname{Rd}_{l}|_{Z_{1}=0} = \operatorname{Ro}\left(\frac{1}{Q_{e}} + \frac{\overline{Q_{e}}Q_{L}}{\frac{1}{Q_{e}}+Q_{L}}\right) = \operatorname{Ro}\left(\frac{1}{Q_{e}} + \frac{1}{Q_{e}}\frac{1}{1+1/Q_{e}Q_{L}}\right)$$













When a driving point impedance is indeterminate, replace the extra element by an arbitrary impedance. Hence:

$$R_{n2}\Big|_{\overline{z}_1 \to \infty} = \frac{R_0}{Q_c}$$

N.



 $K_{n} = \frac{R_{n1}|_{z_{2}=0}}{R_{n1}|_{z_{2}=0}} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} = ? \qquad K_{n} = \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_{1}=0}}{R_{n2}|_{z_{1}=0}} = \frac{R_{o}/Q_{c}}{R_{o}/Q_{c}} = 1$ $K_{d} = \frac{R_{d1}|_{z_{2}=0}}{R_{d1}|_{z_{2}=0}} = \frac{\frac{1}{Q_{a}} + \frac{1}{Q_{c}}\frac{1}{1+1/Q_{c}Q_{L}}}{Q_{L}\left(1 + \frac{1}{Q_{e}Q_{L}}\right)} \qquad These are$ $K_{d} = \frac{R_{d2}|_{z_{1}=0}}{R_{d2}|_{z_{1}=0}} = \frac{\frac{1}{Q_{c}} + \frac{1}{Q_{c}}\frac{1}{1+1/Q_{e}Q_{L}}}{Q_{L}\left(1 + \frac{1}{Q_{c}Q_{L}}\right)} \qquad These are$

Interaction parameters:



$$H = H \Big|_{\substack{z_1 = 0 \ z_2 = \infty}} + \frac{\frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} + \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_2 = \infty}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}} \frac{R_n|_{z_1 = 0}}{R_n|_{$$

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$$H = H \Big|_{\substack{z_1 = 0 \\ z_2 = \infty}} \frac{1 + \frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} + \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2}}{Z_2}}{\frac{1}{K_n} \frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2}}{Z_2} + \frac{1}{K_n} \frac{Z_1}{R_{n1}|_{z_2 = \infty}} \frac{R_{n2}|_{z_1 = 0}}{Z_2}}{Z_2}}{Z_2}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\varphi_{e}} \varphi_{e}} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\varphi_{e}} \left(\frac{s}{w_{o}}\right)}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{\varphi_{e}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\varphi_{e}} \varphi_{e}\right)^{2} + \frac{1}{\varphi_{e}} + \frac{1}{\varphi_{e}}$$

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1CE with C_t and C_d Use the 2EET to add C_t and C_d



R_S and R_B are already absorbed into a Thevenin equivalent

$$A_{vm} \equiv \frac{R_B}{R_S + R_B} \frac{\alpha R_L}{r_m + \frac{R_S \|R_B}{1 + \beta}} = 62 \Longrightarrow 36 dB$$

For *C*_t alone, results are already known:



For *C_d* alone:



These results are obtainable by inspection; no algebra is required.



With the corner frequencies for C_t and C_d separately now known, only K_n and K_d remain to be found.

Since C_d does not contribute a zero, K_n is irrelevant, and

For C_t and C_d :



$$A_{v} = A_{vm} \frac{1 - \frac{s}{\omega_{z}}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p1}} + \frac{s}{\omega_{p2}} + K_{d} \frac{s}{\omega_{p1}} \frac{s}{\omega_{p2}}}$$

where

$$K_{d} = \frac{R_{d1}^{Z_{2}=0}}{R_{d1}^{Z_{2}=\infty}} = \frac{R_{L}}{mR_{L}} = \frac{1}{m} \quad \text{or} \quad K_{d} = \frac{R_{d2}^{Z_{1}=0}}{R_{d2}^{Z_{1}=\infty}} = \frac{R_{S} \|R_{B}\| r_{m} \|R_{L}}{R_{S} \|R_{B}\| (1+\beta)r_{m}} = \frac{1}{m}$$

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For C_t and C_d :



$$A_{v} = A_{vm} \frac{1 - \frac{s}{\omega_{z}}}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{\omega_{p1}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{p2}}\right)s + \left(\frac{1}{m\omega_{p1}\omega_{p2}}\right)s^{2}}$$

The *Q* of the quadratic is

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{m\omega_{p1}\omega_{p2}}}}{\frac{1}{\omega_{p1}} + \frac{1}{\omega_{p2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \frac{\sqrt{\omega_{p1}\omega_{p2}}}{\omega_{p1} + \omega_{p2}}$$

In general, $Q_{\text{max}} = \frac{0.5}{\sqrt{m}}$, and since $m \ge 1$ the quadratic always has real roots. v.0.1 3/07 $_{\text{N}}^{\text{v.0.1 3/07}}$, $\frac{12. \text{ DNTI \& the 2EET}}{39}$ For C_t and C_d :



Here, m = 62 so the real root approximation is extremely good, and the result can be written

$$A_{v} = A_{vm} \frac{1 - \frac{s}{\omega_{z}}}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_{p1} \| \omega_{p2}}\right) \left(1 + \frac{s}{m(\omega_{p1} + \omega_{p2})}\right)}$$
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$$\frac{1 - \frac{s}{\omega_{z}}}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{m(\omega_{p1} + \omega_{p2})}\right)}$$
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For C_t and C_d :



The Extra Element Theorem (EET):

$$A|_{z} = A|_{z=\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{2\pi}{2}}{1 + \frac{2\pi}{2}} = A|_{z=0} \frac{1 + \frac{2}{2\pi}}{1 + \frac{2}{2d}}$$
The EET can be extended to the Two Extra Element
Theorem (2EET):

$$A|_{z_{1},z_{2}} = A|_{z_{1}=\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{2\pi}{21} + \frac{2\pi 2}{22} + K_{n} \frac{2\pi 2}{21} \cdot \frac{2\pi 2}{22}}{1 + \frac{2\pi}{21} + \frac{2\pi}{22} + K_{n} \frac{2\pi 2}{21} \cdot \frac{2\pi 2}{22}}$$
and its
dual forms.
and, ultimately, to the N Extra Element

Theorem (NEET).

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The N Extra Element Theorem

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It's Really NEET!

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"Basic" NEET Version, for N = 3 and All Ref States Short

$$H = H_{\rm ref} \, \frac{N \omega m}{D e n o m} \tag{30a}$$

where

$$Num = 1 + \left[\left(\frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} \right) + \frac{Z_3}{Z_{n3}} \right] \\ + \left[\left\{ \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} \right\} + \left(\frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_3}{Z_{n3}^{(1)}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} \frac{Z_3}{Z_{n3}^{(2)}} \right) \right] \\ + \left[\left\{ \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} \frac{Z_3}{Z_{n3}^{(1,2)}} \right\} \right]$$
(30b)

Denom = [same as Num with sub d instead of sub n].

NEET Version for $N \ge 4$, EE3 Ref State Open

$$Num = 1 + \left[\left(\frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} + \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}} \right) + \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}} + \cdots \right] \\ + \left[\left\{ \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} + \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(1)}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(2)}} \right\} \\ + \left(\frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(1)}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(2)}} + \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(3)}} \right) + \cdots \right] \\ + \left[\left\langle \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(1,2)}} \right\rangle + \left\{ \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(1,2)}} \\ + \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(1)}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(1,3)}} + \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(2)}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(2,3)}} \right\} + \cdots \right] \\ (80a) \\ + \left[\left\langle \frac{Z_1}{Z_{n1}} \frac{Z_2}{Z_{n2}^{(1)}} \frac{Y_3}{Y_{n3}^{(1,2)}} \frac{Z_4}{Z_{n4}^{(1,2,3)}} \right\rangle + \cdots \right] + \cdots \right] \\ Denom = [\text{same as Num with sub d instead of sub n]. (80b)$$

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Double Null Triple Injection and the Two General Feedback Theorem

Why two injected test signals are needed in the general case

The GFT with a single injected test signal, as a special case of the Dissection Theorem, incorporates all nonidealities, but still requires an ideal test signal injection point.

Why does a nonideal test signal injection point give "wrong" answers?

Consider the example circuit already discussed:

Ideal voltage injection point



An ideal voltage injection point is where v_y comes from an ideal (zero impedance) voltage generator, *or* where v_x looks into an infinite impedance.

Test voltage injection on the other side of R_i :



This is a nonideal voltage injection point, and the results for T_v are quite different:

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Reason for the difference in T_v :



Consider $T_v(\omega \rightarrow \infty)$: opamp gain goes to zero

$$v_{y} = [R_{1} || (R_{2} + R_{L})]i_{y} \approx R_{1}i_{y}$$

$$v_{x} = R_{i}i_{y}$$
so
$$T_{v} = \frac{v_{y}}{v_{x}} = \frac{R_{1}}{R_{i}} \neq 0$$
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$$V_{v} = \frac{v_{y}}{v_{x}} = \frac{R_{1}}{R_{i}} \neq 0$$
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A nonideal injection point gives a u_y / u_x that depends not only on *T*, but also on the impedance ratio (looking forward and backward) from the injection point. A nonideal injection point gives a u_y / u_x that depends not only on *T*, but also on the impedance ratio (looking forward and backward) from the injection point.

A nonideal injection point also gives a H^{u_y} that is different from the desired H_∞ :



Reason for the difference in H^{v_y} :



but depends also on the opamp gain.

An extension of the Basic Feedback Theorem is needed:

To set up $H_{\infty} = 1/K$, the reciprocal of the feedback ratio, both the error voltage v_y and the error current i_y must be nulled.

In the preceding example with injected test voltage e_z , the desired result $H_{\infty} = 1/K$ was obtained because nulled error voltage automatically implied nulled error current:



$$H^{v_y} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} = 10 \Longrightarrow 20 \text{ dB}$$

http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 13. DNTI & the @GFT In a realistic circuit model, the injection point is not ideal and the X terminal looks into a 2-port model that exhibits noninfinite input impedance and nonzero reverse transmission:



When v_y is nulled, the error current is *not* nulled, and H_∞ is not equal to R_2 / R_1 .

A nonideal voltage injection point implies that when v_y is nulled, i_y is not nulled.

A nonideal current injection point implies that when i_y is nulled, v_y is not nulled. **The 2GFT: The Final Solution**

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty} DD_n$$

To make H_{∞} equal 1/K:

What is needed is a way to null simultaneously both the error voltage v_y and the error current i_y . The answer is obvious:

Since

One signal can be nulled by mutual adjustment of two independent sources (ndi, null double injection)

Two signals can be nulled by mutual adjustment of three independent sources (dnti, double null triple injection).

Therefore:

In the presence of the input signal e_i , inject both voltage and current test signals so that both the error voltage v_y and the error current i_y can be nulled.



When v_y and i_y are both nulled, H_∞ is again equal to R_2 / R_1 , the reciprocal of the feedback ratio *K*.

The format of the GFT remains the same:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}}$$

where now $H_{\infty} = H^{i_y v_y}$, and T and T_n contain both voltage and current loop gains.

Since the GFT and the EET are special cases of the Dissection Theorem for a single injected test signal, and the 2EET is a special case of the 2DT, it is to be expected that the 2GFT for two injected test signals would have the same format as the 2EET with impedance ratios replaced by return ratios. http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 13. DNTI & the @GFT

The 2GFT tells how to find *T* when both current and voltage loop gains are present.



where K_d and K_n are interaction parameters:

$$K_{d} \equiv \frac{T_{i}^{v_{y}}}{T_{i}^{v_{x}}} = \frac{T_{v}^{i_{y}}}{T_{v}^{i_{x}}} \qquad \qquad K_{n} \equiv \frac{T_{ni}^{v_{y}}}{T_{ni}^{v_{x}}} = \frac{T_{nv}^{i_{y}}}{T_{nv}^{i_{x}}}$$

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$$H_{\infty} \equiv H^{i_y v_y} \equiv \frac{u_o}{u_i}\Big|_{i_y, v_y=0} = \text{ideal closed-loop gain}$$

 $H^{i_y v_y}$ is a double null triple injection (dnti) calculation, which is even simpler and shorter than an ndi calculation.

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 $T_i^{v_y} \equiv \frac{i_y}{i_x}\Big|_{v_y=0}$ = short-circuit current loop gain

 $T_i^{v_y}$ is a null double injection (ndi) calculation, which is simpler and shorter than an si calculation.

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 $T_i^{v_x}$ is a null double injection (ndi) calculation.



$$T_v^{i_y} \equiv \frac{v_y}{v_x}\Big|_{i_y=0}$$
 = open-circuit voltage loop gain
 $T_v^{i_y}$ is a null double injection (ndi) calculation.



$$\frac{1}{T_v^{i_x}} \equiv \frac{v_x}{v_y} \bigg|_{i_x=0} = \text{open-circuit reverse voltage loop gain}$$
$$T_v^{i_x} \text{ is a null double injection (ndi) calculation.}$$










Definitions:



Definitions:



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Summary so far:



in which the second level TF *T*, the total loop gain, can be written in terms of the newly defined third level TFs:

$$T_{i}^{v_{y}} \equiv \frac{i_{y}}{i_{x}} \bigg|_{v_{y}=0} = \text{short-circuit forward current loop gain} \equiv T_{ifwd}^{sc}$$

$$T_{v}^{i_{y}} \equiv \frac{v_{y}}{v_{x}} \bigg|_{i_{y}=0} = \text{open-circuit forward voltage loop gain} \equiv T_{vfwd}^{oc}$$

$$\frac{1}{T_{i}^{v_{x}}} \equiv \frac{i_{x}}{i_{y}} \bigg|_{v_{x}=0} = \text{short-circuit reverse current loop gain} \equiv T_{irev}^{sc}$$

$$\frac{1}{T_{0}^{i_{x}}} \equiv \frac{v_{x}}{v_{y}} \bigg|_{i_{x}=0} = \text{open-circuit reverse voltage loop gain} \equiv T_{vrev}^{oc}$$

$$\frac{1}{3. \text{ DNTI & the @GFT}} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}} + K_d \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}}$$

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and the redundant interaction parameter K_d is

$$K_d = \frac{T_i^{v_y}}{T_i^{v_x}} = \frac{T_v^{i_y}}{T_v^{i_x}} \qquad \text{or} \qquad K_d = T_{ifwd}^{sc} T_{irev}^{sc} = T_{vfwd}^{oc} T_{vrev}^{oc}$$

In words, the redundancy relation says that

 $K_d = \frac{\text{product of short-circuit forward}}{\text{and reverse current loop gains}} = \frac{\text{product of open-circuit forward}}{\text{and reverse voltage loop gains}}$

The expression for *T* discloses that nonzero reverse loop gain enters only through K_d .

In the absence of reverse loop gain, T reduces to the forward loop gain T_{fwd} given by

$$\frac{1}{T_{fwd}} = \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}} \qquad \text{or} \qquad T_{fwd} = T_{ifwd}^{sc} \left\| T_{vfwd}^{oc} \right\|$$

In words, T_{fwd} is the parallel combination of the short-circuit forward current gain and the open circuit forward voltage gain, and is therefore dominated by whichever one is smaller.

Now that reverse current and voltage loop gains have been identified, a reverse loop gain T_{rev} can be defined:

$$\frac{1}{T_{rev}} = \frac{1}{T_{i\ rev}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{v\ rev}^{oc}} \qquad \text{or} \qquad T_{rev} = T_{i\ rev}^{sc} \left\| T_{v\ rev}^{oc} \right\|$$

From the redundancy relation $K_d \equiv T_{ifwd}^{sc} T_{irev}^{sc} = T_{vfwd}^{oc} T_{vrev}^{oc}$, T_{rev} can be written in terms of K_d as

$$T_{rev} = \frac{K_d}{T_{ifwd}^{sc} + T_{vfwd}^{oc}}$$

or

$$K_{d} \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}} = T_{rev} \left(\frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}} \right)$$

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Finally, by substitution for K_d in terms of T_{rev} , the total loop gain T

$$\frac{1}{T} \equiv \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}} + K_d \frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}}$$

becomes

$$\frac{1}{T} = \left(\frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}}\right) + T_{rev}\left(\frac{1}{T_{ifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{vfwd}^{oc}}\right) = \frac{1 + T_{rev}}{T_{fwd}}$$

or

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1 + T_{rev}}{T_{fwd}}$$

or

$$T = \frac{T_{fwd}}{1 + T_{rev}}$$

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A 1975 paper* showed how the loop gain could be found by combining the current and voltage loop gains obtained by simultaneous injection of current and voltage test signals at a nonideal injection point. That result is actually $T_{fwd} = T_{ifwd}^{sc} ||T_{vfwd}^{oc}||$ obtained above.

However, the 1975 paper was based on a model that excluded nonzero reverse loop gain, and so the exact 2GFT result can be considered an extension of the previous limited result.

In summary, the total loop gain *T* given by the 2GFT is

$$T = \frac{T_{fwd}}{1 + T_{rev}}$$

where $T_{fwd} = T_{ifwd}^{sc} \| T_{vfwd}^{oc}$ and $T_{rev} = T_{irev}^{sc} \| T_{vrev}^{oc}$

* R.D.Middlebrook, "Measurement of loop gain in feedback systems," Int. J. Electronics, 1975, vol. 38, No. 4, pp. 485 – 512. v.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 13. DNTI & the @GFT

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The 2GFT also tells how to find T_n when both current and voltage loop gains are present.



where K_d and K_n are interaction parameters:

$$K_{d} \equiv \frac{T_{i}^{v_{y}}}{T_{i}^{v_{x}}} = \frac{T_{v}^{i_{y}}}{T_{v}^{i_{x}}} \qquad \qquad K_{n} \equiv \frac{T_{ni}^{v_{y}}}{T_{ni}^{v_{x}}} = \frac{T_{nv}^{i_{y}}}{T_{nv}^{i_{x}}}$$

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The four T_n 's are defined in the same way as the four T's, except that the input u_i is restored and the output u_o is also nulled.



The four T_n 's are double null triple injection (dnti) calculations, as is $H^{i_y v_y}$ which are even simpler and shorter than ndi calculations.

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Since the structure of the null loop gain T_n is exactly the same as that of the loop gain T, the discussion for T can simply be repeated for T_n with the extra modifier "null", as follows: v.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 13. DNTI & the @GFT Discussion of the total **null** loop gain T_n :

The 2GFT:
$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}}$$
$$\frac{1}{T_n} = \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}} + K_n \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}}$$

in which the second level TF T_n , the total null loop gain, can be written in terms of the newly defined third level TFs:



$$\frac{1}{T_n} = \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}} + K_n \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc} T_{nvfwd}^{oc}}$$

and the redundant interaction parameter K_n is

$$K_n \equiv \frac{T_{ni}^{v_y}}{T_{ni}^{v_x}} = \frac{T_{nv}^{i_y}}{T_{nv}^{i_x}} \qquad \text{or} \qquad K_n = T_{nifwd}^{sc} T_{nirev}^{sc} = T_{nvfwd}^{oc} T_{nvrev}^{oc}$$

In words, the redundancy relation says that

 $K_n = \frac{\text{product of short-circuit forward}}{\text{and reverse null current loop gains}} = \frac{\text{product of open-circuit forward}}{\text{reverse null voltage loop gains}}$

The expression for T_n discloses that nonzero reverse null loop gain enters only through K_n .

In the absence of reverse null loop gain, T_n reduces to the forward null loop gain $T_{n fwd}$ given by

$$\frac{1}{T_{n\,fwd}} = \frac{1}{T_{ni\,fwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nv\,fwd}^{oc}} \quad \text{or} \quad T_{n\,fwd} = T_{ni\,fwd}^{sc} \left\| T_{nv\,fwd}^{oc} \right\|$$

In words, T_{nfwd} is the parallel combination of the short-circuit forward null current loop gain and the open circuit forward null voltage loop gain, and is therefore dominated by whichever one is smaller. Now that reverse current and voltage null loop gains have been identified, a reverse null loop gain $T_{n rev}$ can be defined:

$$\frac{1}{T_{n\,rev}} = \frac{1}{T_{ni\,rev}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nv\,rev}^{oc}} \qquad \text{or} \qquad T_{n\,rev} = T_{ni\,rev}^{sc} \left\| T_{nv\,rev}^{oc} \right\|$$

From the redundancy relation $K_n = T_{ni\,fwd}^{sc} T_{ni\,rev}^{sc} = T_{nv\,fwd}^{oc} T_{nv\,rev}^{oc}$, $T_{n\,rev}$ can be written in terms of K_n as

$$T_{n \, rev} = \frac{K_n}{T_{ni \, fwd}^{sc} + T_{nv \, fwd}^{oc}}$$

or

$$K_n \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}} = T_{n\,rev} \left(\frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}} \right)$$

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Finally, by substitution for K_n in terms of $T_{n rev}$, the total null loop gain T_n

$$\frac{1}{T_n} = \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}} + K_n \frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc} T_{nvfwd}^{oc}}$$

becomes

$$\frac{1}{T_n} = \left(\frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}}\right) + T_{n\,rev}\left(\frac{1}{T_{nifwd}^{sc}} + \frac{1}{T_{nvfwd}^{oc}}\right) = \frac{1 + T_{n\,rev}}{T_{nfwd}}$$

or

$$\frac{1}{T_n} = \frac{1 + T_{n \, rev}}{T_{n \, fwd}}$$

or

$$T_n = \frac{T_{n\,fwd}}{1 + T_{n\,rev}}$$

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In summary, the 2GFT in terms of the newly defined TFs is

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} \quad \text{where}$$

$$H_{\infty} = H^{i_y v_y}$$

$$T = \frac{T_{fwd}}{1 + T_{rev}} \quad \text{in which } T_{fwd} = T_{ifwd}^{sc} \left\| T_{vfwd}^{oc} \right\| \text{ and } T_{rev} = T_{irev}^{sc} \left\| T_{vrev}^{oc} \right\|$$

$$T_n = \frac{T_{nfwd}}{1 + T_{nrev}} \quad \text{in which } T_{nfwd} = T_{nifwd}^{sc} \left\| T_{nvfwd}^{oc} \right\| \text{ and } T_{nrev} = T_{nirev}^{sc} \left\| T_{nvrev}^{oc} \right\|$$

Reminder:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{T}{1+T} + H_0 \frac{1}{1+T} = H_{\infty} \frac{1+\frac{1}{T_n}}{1+\frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty} DD_n$$

Redundancy Relation: $\frac{H_{\infty}}{H_0} = \frac{T_n}{T}$

In order for the *definitions* of the four second-level TFs to have the following *interpretations*

$$H_{\infty}$$
 = ideal closed loop gain

 H_0 = direct forward transmission

$$T_n =$$
 null loop gain

it is necessary that the **Test Signal Injection Configuration** satisfy two conditions:

1. The test signal u_z (e_z and/or j_z) must be injected so that $u_y(i_y$ and/or v_y) is the error signal.

2. The test signal must be injected inside the major loop, but outside any minor loops.

Inverting Opamp with nonideal injection point



Inject both a test voltage and a test current

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}}$$

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$$H^{i_y v_y} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} = 10 \Longrightarrow 20 \text{ dB}$$



$$T_{i\,fwd}^{sc} = R_i g_m(s) \frac{\kappa_L}{R_L + R_2}$$



$$T_{v\,fwd}^{oc} = g_m(s) \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_2 + R_1} R_1$$



 $v_x = 0$, and because there is no reverse current loop gain, $i_x = 0$ so $T_{i \ rev}^{sc} = 0$.

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 $i_x = 0$, and because there is no reverse voltage loop gain, $v_x = 0$ so $T_{v \ rev}^{oc} = 0$.

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Finally, $T = \frac{T_{fwd}}{1 + T_{rev}} \quad \text{where} \quad T_{rev} = T_{i \ rev}^{SC} \left\| T_{v \ rev}^{OC} = 0,\right.$ so $T = T_{fwd} = T_{i \ fwd}^{SC} \left\| T_{v \ fwd}^{OC} \right\|$ $T(0) = g_m(0) \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_2 + R_1} \left\| R_i \right\| (R_1 \| R_i) = 92 \Rightarrow 39.2 \text{ dB}$

which is the same as $T_v(0)$ obtained from single voltage injection at the ideal voltage injection point P1.



no current in R_2 or R_L , so $i_x = 0$ and $T^{SC}_{i,c-1} = \infty$

$$T_{nifwd}^{sc} = 0$$

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$$T_{nvfwd}^{oc} = g_m(s)R_2$$

 $T_{ni}^{sc}_{rev}$ and $T_{nv}^{oc}_{rev}$ are both zero for the same reason that $T_{i rev}^{sc}$ and $T_{v rev}^{oc}$ are zero: there is no reverse current or voltage loop gain. V.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 13. DNTI & the @GFT 59 Finally,

$$T_n = \frac{T_n fwd}{1 + T_n rev} \text{ where } \quad T_n rev = T_{ni}^{sc} rev \left\| T_{nv}^{oc} rev \right\| = 0$$

so
$$T_n = T_{n f w d} = T_{n i f w d}^{sc} \left\| T_{n v f w d}^{oc} \right\|$$

However,
$$T_{nifwd}^{sc} = \infty$$
, so $T_n = T_{nv fwd}^{oc}$

$$T_n = g_m(s)R_2$$

which is the same as T_{nv} obtained from single voltage injection at the ideal voltage injection point P1. v.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 60 13. DNTI & the @GFT

Intusoft ICAP/4 Circuit Simulator with GFT Template

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An *injection configuration* is defined by *which* test signals are adopted, and *where* they are injected.

Different injection configurations produce different sets of second-level TFs, but each set combines to give the *same* first-level TF *H*.

Therefore, the choice of Test Signal Injection Configuration is crucial in making the second-level TFs H_{∞} , *T*, *T_n* have the desired interpretations.

Basic Inverting Opamp

Identify error voltage v_y and error current i_y :



$$H_{\infty} \equiv \text{ideal closed-loop gain} = H^{i_y v_y} = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1}$$

(Requirement 1)

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Identify v_x drive to the forward path, and hence where e_z is to be injected (Requirement 2):



When v_y is nulled, is i_y automatically nulled?
If not, identify i_x drive to the forward path, and hence where j_z is to be injected:



Basic Noninverting Opamp

Identify error voltage v_y and error current i_y :



$$H_{\infty} \equiv \text{ideal closed-loop gain} = H^{i_y v_y} = \frac{Z_1 + Z_2}{Z_1}$$

(Requirement 1)

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Identify v_x drive to the forward path, and hence where e_z is to be injected (Requirement 2):



When v_y is nulled, is i_y automatically nulled?

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If not, identify i_x drive to the forward path, and hence where j_z is to be injected:



Despite the apparently different layouts, both the Inv and Noninv configurations are the same, except that the reference node for the output voltage is different:





The principal loop gain *T* is the *same* for both; The amplifier CM gain affects $T_{n\text{Noninv}}$, but does not affect $H_{\infty\text{Noninv}}$, $H_{\infty\text{Inv}}$, $T_{n\text{Inv}}$, or *T*.

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History of the conventional approach

The GFT: The Final Solution approach

Analysis History: Replace the boxes with arrowheads:



Spotlight the loop gain:



Development chronology:

- **1**. Disconnect the feedback path, calculate *A* and *K* separately: ignores loading
- 2. Inject test signal where there is no loading (ideal injection point)
- 3. Inject coupled test signals (nonideal injection point)

Result: reverse transmission is ignored v.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com

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Alternative: set up the forward and feedback paths



This requires four different sets of 2-port parameters for the four feedback connections, and it's still not clear how to account for reverse loop gain. v.0.2 8/07 http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 77 13. DNTI & the @GFT

Disadvantage:

The model itself is inaccurate, in three of the four connections, because common-mode gain is ignored.

Greater Disadvantage:

Essentially useless for design, because the circuit elements are buried inside the 2-port parameters, which are themselves buried in expressions for closed-loop gain and loop gain.

WHAT THE GFT DOES:

Defines and calculates the Principal Loop Gain

Identifies and calculates nonidealities

The GFT Approach: the Final Solution



Inject coupled test signals at error summing point. The GFT gives all the second-level TFs directly in terms of the circuit elements. **HOW THE GFT DOES IT:** $H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}}$

The Test Signal Injection Configuration is chosen to meet the following criteria:

1. The test signal(s) must be injected at the error summing point. This makes H_{∞} equal to the Ideal Closed-Loop Gain 1/*K*, the reciprocal of the feedback ratio.

2. The test signal(s) must be injected inside the major loop, but outside any minor loops. This makes T represent the Principal Loop Gain. http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com

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1 plus 2 makes the Null Loop Gain T_n represent all the nonidealities, including:

forward transmission through the feedback path reverse transmission through the forward path

If *T_n*>>1, the nonidealities are negligible.

Injection of both voltage and current test signals at a nonideal point includes, as special cases, injection of only one test signal at an ideal point, so you don't have to know in advance whether or not the injection point is ideal.

Benefit:

Results include reverse transmission in both forward and feedback paths, and thus include reverse loop gain. Approximations are easily made, if desired. Benefit:

All four second level TFs H_{∞} , T, T_n , H_0 are produced, either numerically by Intusoft ICAP/4 GFT Template, or symbolically by ndi and dnti analysis. Benefit:

The second-level TFs combine in the GFT to produce the first-level result, the closed-loop TF *H*:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{T}{1+T} + H_0 \frac{1}{1+T}$$

This result fits the block diagram:



Greater Benefit:

Thus, the block diagram, with unidirectional blocks, is a *result* of simple and straightforward *exact* calculation, *not an initial assumption*.

Greatest Benefit:

The second-level TFs H_{∞} , T, T_n , H_0 are obtained directly in terms of the circuit elements, which makes it possible for the results to be used backwards for design. This is the principal objective of **Design-Oriented Analysis: the Only Kind of Analysis Worth Doing.**

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14. A 2CE/S FEEDBACK AMPLIFIER

A 2-stage Common-Emitter/-Source Amplifier



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An ideal test current injection point is at the output of the first stage:





With C₂: "right" answer

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In the presence of C_2 , the selected test current injection point is no longer "ideal", and in fact there is no ideal injection point for either a test current or a test voltage

A 1975^{*} paper showed that *successive* injection, at a nonideal point, of current and voltage test signals to give T_i and T_v could be combined to give the correct result for T:

$$\frac{1}{1+T} = \frac{1}{1+T_i} + \frac{1}{1+T_v} \text{ or } T = \frac{T_i T_v - 1}{2+T_i + T_v}$$

^{*}R.D.Middlebrook, "Measurement of loop gain in feedback systems," Int. J. Electronics, 1975, vol. 38, No. 4, pp. 485–512.⁸ The same paper also showed that *simultaneous* injection of current and voltage test signals, adjusted to give the short-circuit current loop gain T_i^{vy} and open-circuit voltage loop gain T_v^{iy} could be combined to give the correct result

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{T_i^{v_y}} + \frac{1}{T_v^{i_y}}$$

The advantage of this method is that the ndi calculations

of $T_i^{v_y}$ and $T_v^{i_y}$ are symbolically simpler and easier than the si calculations of T_i and T_v . Nevertheless, the conclusions of that paper were incomplete, because the nonidealities were still ignored.

The 2GFT includes the nonidealities, and gives the correct answer for *T* :





But, there is another problem:



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Why?

The test signal configuration meets the first criterion, that the test signal must be inside the loop, but it does not meet the second: the test signal must be able to null the error signal.

Therefore, choose a test signal configuration that meets the second criterion as well:

- v_y must be the error voltage, and
- i_y must be the error current.

Coupled injection must be used, since v_y and i_y do not null simultaneously with only single injection. 14. 2CE/S Feedback Amp



Check that H_{∞} is the expected 1/K = 20 dB:



T and *H* are still the same

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The component $H_{\infty}D$ of $H = H_{\infty}D + H_0D_0$:



The component H_0D_0 of $H = H_\infty D + H_0D_0$:



Both components of $H = H_{\infty}D + H_0D_0$:



The first-level TF H can be a current gain, transadmittance, transimpedance, or a voltage gain.

As applied to an output impedance Z_o , which is a self-impedance, the GFT becomes

$$Z_{0} = Z_{0\infty} \frac{T}{1+T} + Z_{00} \frac{1}{1+T}$$

The "output" is v_o as for voltage gain, but the "input" is now a current j_i driven into the output.



For voltage feedback, as in this example, $Z_{o\infty}$ is always zero, so

$$Z_0 = Z_{o0} \frac{1}{1+T}$$

which is the familiar result that the closed-loop output impedance is the open-loop value divided by the feedback factor.



EXAMPLE

15. A REALISTIC IC FEEDBACK AMPLIFIER

Example 1: Noninverting Amplifier with nonflat H_{∞}





plus a dominant pole due to C_c .



The expectations are borne out:



The discrepancy factor *D* should be flat at 0dB at low frequencies, with a dominant pole at the *T* crossover frequency, beyond which T = D:



The null discrepancy factor D_n would be 0dB at all frequencies,



Assembled results:

The closed-loop gain *H* follows H_{∞} up to *T* crossover, then falls with *D*. However, *H* levels off above T_n crossover:



The nonideality is negligible.

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phase margin is lowered



To retain about the same crossover frequency of 5.6MHz, C_c has been lowered from 20pF to 10pF.



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The expectations are borne out:



Beyond *T* crossover, D = T and therefore is also more complicated:



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The T_n crossover is drastically lowered from 16GHz to 82MHz:



Even though D_n is approximately 0dB at both low and high frequencies, it undergoes a complete phase reversal

The major effect of the additional nonidealities is to cause \underline{H} to fall off much more rapidly,



The transient response is therefore strongly degraded.

Step response:



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Add step response with *C_c* only:



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16. A DESIGN SOLUTION TO DARLINGTON FOLLOWER INSTABILITY

Example 3: Darlington Emitter/Source Follower

The Darlington Follower is known to be unstable for certain values of load capacitance.

The Design Problem is to select a damping resistance so that the Follower is not only stable, but has a maximum peaking , regardless of the load capacitance.



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$$I_{s} = \frac{i}{1 + \frac{1}{sC_{1}r_{1}}} \qquad 0 \qquad i_{1} = \frac{1}{sC_{1}r_{1}} \quad \vec{i}_{s} \quad \vec{i}_$$

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A detailed analysis can be done with the DT/CT





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Nulled i_y means that the A_{v1} box is unloaded, so the input voltage to the A_{v2} box is the open-circuit (oc) output voltage of the A_{v1} box. Thus $A_{v12}^{i_y} = A_{v1}^{oc}A_{v2}$ Also, $T_i = Z_{i2} / Z_{o1}$, v.0.1 3/07 so the DT becomes://www.potential.com Z_{o1}^{oc} 15 16. Darlington Follower Instability Z_{o1}



$$A_{v1}^{oc} = 1, \quad A_{v2} = 1, \quad \text{so}$$

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$$H = A_{v12} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{T_{i}}} = D \quad \text{where} \quad T = T_i = \frac{Z_{i2}}{Z_{o1}}$$
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We can figure out a lot about T before doing a simulation.

Z_{o1} has two poles, because it has two capacitances.

By "mental frequency sweep,"

$$Z_{o1}(0) = r_2, \qquad Z_{o1}(\infty) = R_s$$

Since Z_{o1} is flat at zero and infinite frequency, Z_{o1} must have two zeros as well as two poles.

Also,
$$Z_{i2} = \frac{1}{sC_L}$$

Therefore, $T = \frac{Z_{i2}}{Z_{off} \text{ttp://www.RDMiddlebrook.com}}$ v.0.1 3/07 $T = \frac{Z_{i2}}{Z_{off} \text{ttp://www.RDMiddlebrook.com}}$ 16. Darlington Follower Instability

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For design, C_L is to be considered a variable.

Examine the effect of C_L upon $T = 1/sC_LZ_{o1}$.

Since C_L is not inside Z_{o1} , increasing C_L does not change the shape of either |T| or T; |T| decreases in inverse proportion to C_L , but T does not change at all.

The decrease of |T| results in lowered loop gain crossover frequency:

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There is a range of C_L for which the phase margin ϕ_M is negative, and the Follower is unstable. 16. Darlington Follower Instability 21

A design strategy is to add sufficient damping resistance R_d to Z_{o1} so that the maximum phase lag is less than 180° by some desired phase margin.



Damping resistance *R*_d added

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Expanded scale:



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17. THE INPUT FILTER PROBLEM OF A SWITCHED-MODE REGULATOR

A different application of the EET is useful in design of the input filter for a switching regulator. "The Input Filter Problem" was discussed in a 1976 paper:

R.D.Middlebrook, "Input Filter Considerations in Design and Application of Switching Regulators," IEEE Industry Applications Society Annual Meeting, 1976 Record, pp. 366 - 382.

Problem:

How to design an input filter for a switched-mode regulator without significantly disturbing its properties.

Conclusion:

The output impedance Z_s of the input filter should be much less than certain line input impedances of the regulator.

The design-oriented inequalities can easily be established by use of the Extra Element Theorem.



Zn, Zd are dpi's (driving point impedances) seen by a test signal ut applied in place of Zs:

Objective To find conditions on the input filter so that properties of the regulator are unaffected. Approach Use the Extra Element Theorem (EET) $\frac{u_o}{u_i} = \frac{u_o}{u_i} \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{c_s}{z_n}}{1 + \frac{2s}{z_d}}$ u_o same tranfer function any transfer function with $Z_s = 0$. of a linear system, e.g. gain, loop gain, output impedance

Zd = Zop seen by ut with ui = 0 (single injection)

Objective To find conditions on the input filter so that properties of the regulator are unaffected. Approach Use the Extra Element Theorem (EET) $u_0=0$ $\frac{u_0}{u_i}=\frac{u_0}{u_i}\Big|_{z_s=0}^{\infty}\frac{1+\frac{z_s}{z_n}}{1+\frac{z_s}{z_n}}$

ui any transfer function same transfer function ui of a linear system, with $Z_s = 0$. e.g. gain, loop gain, output impedance

Zn = Zop seen by ut in presence of ui adjusted to make up=0 (null double injection)

Objective To find conditions on the input filter so that properties of the regulator are unaffected. Approach Use the Extra Element Theorem (EET) $\frac{u_o}{u_i} = \frac{u_o}{u_i} \left| \begin{array}{c} \frac{1+\frac{z_s}{z_n}}{1+\frac{z_s}{z_d}} \right|$ any transfer function same transer function with Zs = 0. of a linear system, e.g. gain, loop gain, output impedance Note that, even for a given element Zs, Zn but not Zd are different for different transfer functions of the same system (different ui's and uo's).



The EET for one extra element Z_s is

$$\frac{u_o}{u_i} = \frac{u_o}{u_i} \bigg|_{Z_s = 0} \frac{1 + \frac{Z_s}{Z_n}}{1 + \frac{Z_s}{Z_d}}$$

This is the same as the GFT for one injected test signal:

$$H = H_{\infty} \frac{1 + \frac{1}{T_n}}{1 + \frac{1}{T}} = H_{\infty} DD_n$$

where $H = \text{loopgain}[\text{with } Z_s]$ and $H_{\infty} = \text{loopgain}[Z_s = 0]$. Z_d and Z_n can be found from T and T_n by test voltage e_z injection at a source resistance $Z_s = R_s = 1\Omega$. Then, $Z_d = T$ and $Z_n = T_n$ v.0.1 3/07







Values as in 1976 Paper Fig. 17, Filter B

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18. CURRENT-PROGRAMMED SWITCHED-MODE REGULATOR



The power stage has an internal current loop and a voltage feedforward loop. STEP 1

Strategy: absorb both loops into an equivalent power stage model, by Doing Some Algebra on the Circuit Diagram (Ch.2)



$$v(P) = -E_2 v_i + v_c - E_1 R_f v_c$$

split the voltage and current modulation generators into three: http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 18. Current-Programmed Switcher



Since the voltage generator $A_c E_1 R_f i$ is proportional to the current through it, it can be replaced by a resistance $A_c E_1 R_f$. Also, since the current generator $A_c E_2 v_i / R_L$ is proportional to the voltage Dv_i across it, it can be replaced by a (negative) resistance $-DR_L / A_c E_2$.





STEP 2

Normalize the element values in the filter (Ch. 5):

$$\omega_{0} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$
 $f_{o} = 11.2kHz$ $R_{o} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}} = 70.7m$

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The voltage transfer function *H* for this triple-damped RLC filter was obtained in Ch. 12:

$$H = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}} \qquad \frac{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{Q_e (1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L})} + \frac{1}{Q_e} + \frac{1}{Q_e} + \frac{1}{Q_e} + \frac{1}{Q_e} + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}\right) \left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right) + \frac{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}} \left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right)^2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}} \left(\frac{s}{\omega_0}\right) \qquad \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L} \left[1 + \frac{\frac{1}{Q_e} + \frac{1}{Q_L} + \frac{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}}{Q_L}}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}} \left(\frac{s}{\omega_o} \right) + \frac{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_e}}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}} \left(\frac{s}{\omega_o} \right)^2$$

For $Q_e Q_c >> 1$, $Q_e Q_L >> 1$, the result reduces to that previously obtained by extrapolation of the result for $Q_c = \infty$:

$$H \approx \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\varphi_e} \left(\frac{\xi_e}{\omega_o}\right)}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{\varphi_e} + \frac{1}{\varphi_e} + \frac{1}{\varphi_e}\right) \left(\frac{\xi_e}{\omega_o}\right) + \left(\frac{\xi_e}{\omega_o}\right)^2}$$

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 $Q_c Q_L$

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The result therefore becomes

$$H = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L} + \frac{1}{Q_L} + \frac{1}{Q_e Q_L} + \frac{1$$

The Q_t of the denominator quadratic is (Ch. 4)

$$Q_{t} \equiv \frac{\sqrt{ac}}{b} = \sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{1}{Q_{e}Q_{L}}\right)} \left(Q_{e} \| Q_{L}\right) = 0.400, \ Q_{t} = -7.96 dB$$

 $\omega_{b} \dot{O} \neq \Im \left(O + \frac{1}{Q_{e} Q_{L}} \right) \omega_{o},$

The power stage control-to-output voltage gain is $v_o / v_c |_{v_i=0} = A_c H$ where $A_c = 16.86$.

Insertion of numbers gives

$$A_{c}H = 17.77dB \frac{1 + \frac{s/2\pi}{792kHz}}{1 + \frac{1}{0.400} \left(\frac{s/2\pi}{16.5kHz}\right) + \left(\frac{s/2\pi}{16.5kHz}\right)^{2}}$$
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$$A_{c}H(0) \qquad 8dB + 16.5kHz, 9.80dB$$
-40.0

-40.0

-40.0

-40.0

-120

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The flat gain that sets the loop gain crossover occurs when C_1 is short, and C_4 open, so take this gain as reference (Ch. 3). The two poles are obviously well separated, so the gain can be written by inspection as

$$A = A_{em} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{sC_1R_3} + 1\right)\left(1 + sC_4R_3\right)}$$

here

where

$$A_{em} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} G1R_3 = 0.563 \Longrightarrow -5.0dB$$

With substitution of numbers,

$$\frac{A}{\sqrt{2.0.7}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3/07}} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{10.6kHz}{s/2\pi} + 1\right) \left(1 + \frac{s/2tp://www.RDMiddlebrook.com}{1.068/16x}\right)}$$
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STEP 4



Since three poles close together determine the crossover frequency f_c , there is no point in trying to predict its value. Instead, the simulation shows it to be $f_c = 28kHz$. From the predicted corner frequencies of T, T can then be calculated as:

$$\underline{/T} = -90^{\circ} + \tan^{-1}\frac{28}{10.6} - \left(180^{\circ} + \tan^{-1}\frac{\frac{1}{0.4}\frac{28}{16.5}}{1 - \left(\frac{28}{16.5}\right)^2}\right) + \tan^{-1}\frac{28}{792} - \tan^{-1}\frac{28}{1060}$$

 $= -90^{\circ} + 70^{\circ} - (180^{\circ} - 66^{\circ}) + 2^{\circ} - 2^{\circ}$

 $= -134^{\circ}$





STEP 5: Closed-loop gain G

The closed-loop gain $G = G_{\infty}D$ where $G_{\infty} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1} = 2 = 6.02 dB$ is the ideal closed-loop

gain, and $D = \frac{T}{1+T}$ is the discrepancy factor (Ch. 10).

Since *D* is a unique function of *T*, *D* can be evaluated at the loop gain crossover frequency in terms of the phase margin φ_M .

In polar form,

$$T = |T|e^{j \angle T}, \quad |D| = \left|\frac{T}{1+T}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{T}}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{|T|}}e^{-j \angle T}\right|$$

If the phase margin is φ_M , then $-\angle T = (\pi - \varphi_M)$ at the crossover frequency where |T| = 1. Substitute in |D|:

$$\begin{aligned} |D|_{f_c} &= \left| \frac{1}{1 + e^{j(\pi - \varphi_M)}} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{1 + e^{-j\varphi_M}} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{1 - (\cos \varphi_M - j \sin \varphi_M)} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \cos \varphi_M)^2 + \sin^2 \varphi_M}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1 - \cos \varphi_M)}} = \frac{1}{2\sin \frac{\varphi_M}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

In the LM3495, $G_{\infty} = 2 = 6.02 dB$ and $\varphi_{M} = 46^{\circ}$ at the crossover frequency $f_{c} = 28 kHz$. Hence, $|D|_{28kHz} = 1.28 \Rightarrow 2.10 dB$. These results are in agreement with the simulation using the $V_{0.1}^{+} = 3.07$ http://www.RDMiddlebrook.com 15 Intusoft ICAP/4 GFT Template_{18}. Current-Programmed Switcher



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Model for simulation using the Intusoft ICAP/4 GFT Template. (No input filter)



Output voltage response to a 1v step in reference voltage



STEP 6: Check for nonidealities The ICAP/4 simulation also delivers the null loop gain T_n :



Since $T_n >> 1$ at all frequencies of interest, the nonidealities are negligible.

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STEP 7: Output Impedance

As seen in Ch. 7, for a ladder network such as



the output impedance is

$$Z_o = Z_1 H$$

Here,



and *H* is already known, so

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Closed loop output impedance Z_{of}

$$Z_{of} = \frac{Z_o}{1+T}$$

Since *T* is already known, 1 + T and $\frac{1}{1+T}$ can be found by the methods of Ch. 6.









The power stage line-to-output voltage gain is $v_o / v_i \Big|_{v_c=0} = Dv_i \Big(1 - \frac{A_c E_2}{D} \Big) H = 0.157 DH v_i$

Insertion of numbers gives

$$v_o / v_i \Big|_{v_c = 0} = -42.85 dB \frac{1 + \frac{s/2\pi}{792kHz}}{1 + \frac{1}{0.400} \left(\frac{s/2\pi}{16.5kHz}\right) + \left(\frac{s/2\pi}{16.5kHz}\right)^2}$$





 Z_{i2} = input impedance of the filter, which is already known.

Since β >1, the result can be written

$$Z_{i} = -\frac{1}{D^{2}} \left[\frac{DR_{L}}{A_{c}E_{2}} \left\| \frac{Z_{i2}}{(\beta - 1)\left(1 - \frac{A_{c}E_{2}}{D}\right)} \right]$$

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Since $Z_{i2}(\infty) = \infty$,

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$$Z_i(\infty) = -\frac{1}{0.1^2} \left[0.237 \| \infty \right] = -100 \left[0.237 \right] = -23.7 \Rightarrow 27.49 \, dB$$

Conclusion: the current-programming loop makes the filter input impedance look high, and/the (megative) line input impedance/is/ continueted by the term due to the line feedforgeard. 18. Current-Programmed Switcher

Input impedance Z_i by the ICAP/4 GFT Template:



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The result is in agreement with that predicted by the modified model.