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Op Amp Non-Idealities

What is the relation between GB and $\omega_{\rm u}$?

Recall

$$A(s) = \frac{A_o \omega_{3dB}}{s + \omega_{3dB}} \bigg|_{s = j\omega} = \frac{A_o \omega_{3dB}}{j\omega + \omega_{3dB}} = \frac{GB}{j\omega + \omega_{3dB}}$$

$$|A(j\omega_u)| = 1$$
; yields $\omega_u^2 + \omega_{3dB}^2 = GB^2$

thus

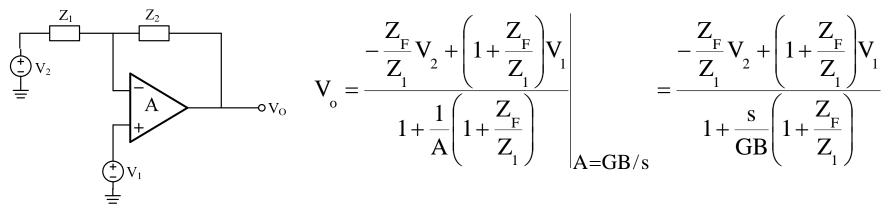
$$\omega_{\rm u} = \left\{ GB^2 - \omega_{\rm 3dB}^2 \right\}^{1/2} = \left\{ A_{\rm o}^2 - 1 \right\}^{1/2} \omega_{\rm 3dB}^2$$

In many cases $GB >> \omega_{3dB}^2$, therefore the unity gain frequency is approximated as:

$$\omega_{u} \cong GB$$

Let us look now the GB for the closed loop cases (inverter and non-inverting).

Gain Bandwidth Product and Unity Gain



For resistive components $Z_F = R_F$, $Z_1 = R_1$

The 3dB cut-off frequency is given by

$$\omega_{3dB} = \frac{GB}{1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}} = \beta GB \tag{1}$$

This can be written for the non-inverting and inverting case as

$$\omega_{3dB} = \frac{GB}{A_{NI}} = \beta GB \tag{2a}$$

$$\omega_{3dB} = \frac{GB}{1 + A_{I}} \tag{2b}$$

Where A_{NI} , A_{I} are the non-inverting and inverting ideal gains.

The corresponding closed loop gain-bandwidth product become

$$GB_{CL-non} = A_{NI}\omega_{3dB} = \frac{A_{NI}}{A_{NI}}GB = GB$$
(4)

$$GB_{CL-INV} = A_I \omega_{3dB} = A_I \frac{GB}{1+A_I} = \frac{A_I}{1+A_I} GB = (1-\beta)GB$$
 (5)

Observe that for equal closed loop gains, the closed loop gain-bandwidth product of the Non-inverting configuration is larger.

Let us calculate the unity gain frequency for both conguration.

Inverting

$$\left| \frac{-\frac{R_F}{R_1}}{1 + \frac{j\omega_u}{GB} \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1} \right)} \right| = 1 \Longrightarrow \pm \left(\frac{R_F}{R_1} \right)^2 = 1 + \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1} \right)^2 \frac{\omega^2}{GB^2}$$

Therefore

$$\omega_{u} = \frac{GB\sqrt{\left(\frac{R_{F}/R_{1}}{2}\right)^{2}-1}}{1+\frac{R_{F}}{R_{1}}} = GB\sqrt{1-2\beta}$$

Non-Inverting

$$\frac{1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1}}{1 + \frac{j\omega_u}{GB} \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1}\right)} = 1$$

$$yields$$

$$\omega_u = \frac{GB\sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1}\right)^2 - 1}}{1 + \frac{R_F}{R_1}} = GB\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$$

Note that for a gain of -2

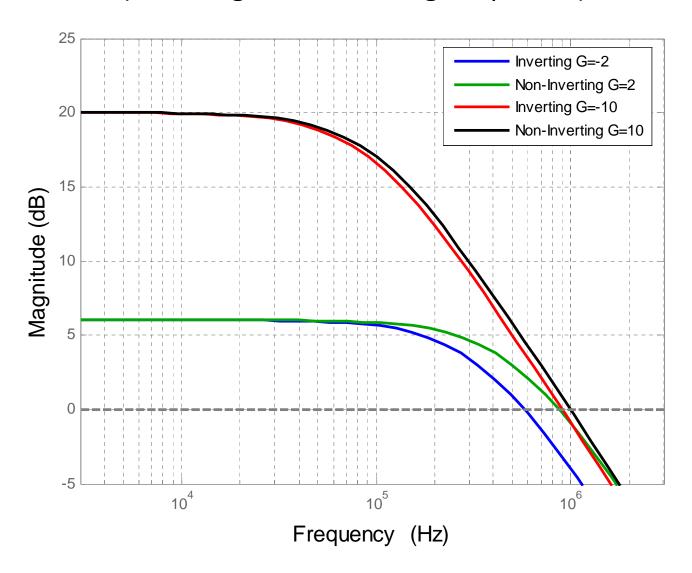
$$\omega_{3dB} = \frac{GB}{3}$$
 and $\omega_u = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}GB = 0.577GB$

And for a gain of +2

$$\omega_{_{3dB}}=\frac{GB}{2} \ \ \text{and} \ \omega_{_{u}}=\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}GB=0.866GB$$

UGF versus Gain

(Inverting/Non-Inverting Amplifiers)



Comparison of the Results

Topology	Gain	GBW	UGF	% Error
Inverting	2	667kHz	577kHz	15.6
Non-inverting	2	1MHz	866kHz	15.5
Inverting	10	909kHz	905kHz	0.4
Non-inverting	10	1MHz	995kHz	0.5