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WITH LARGE UNCERTAINTY

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### Symbols

$a_{ij}, b_{ij}$	lower and upper bounds of $k_{ij}$ , (5)
$B_{ij}(\omega)$	bounds on $L_{ij0}(j\omega)$ , (4)
$B_{hij}$	UHF bounds on $L_{ij0}$ (2.1, Figs. 3,5)
$e_{ij}$	excess of poles over zeros of $P_{ij}$ (5)
$g_{ij}$	$= G_{ij}/s^{e_{ij}}$ (28)
hf	high frequencies
$k_{ij}$	hf gain factor of $P_{ij}$ (5)
$k_{ijx}$	max. $k_{ij}$ (28)
lf	low frequencies
$\lambda(B_{hij})$	length in db of $B_{hij}$ (8)
$L_{ij}$	$ij$ loop transmission function
$L_{ij0}$	nominal $L_{ij}$
$L_{ij}^A$	approximate $L_{ij0}$ by Design Perspective, Section 2.4
$L_{i0}(HF, IF)$	Section 2.4, Fig. 8
$M_{mik}$	$=  L_{ij0}(j\omega_{mik}) $ , Section 2.4
o	as sub indicates nominal values
$P_{ijx}$	$P_{ij}$ at $k_{ijx}$ (34)
$P_{ij}$	set $\{P_{ij}\}$ due to uncertainty
S	as sub indicates a single-loop design
T	closed loop transfer function (1a)
$T_{Nij}$	$= X/N_{ij}$ (6)
$T'$	$= L/(1+L)$ , 2 . . . . .
$T_d$	$C/D'$ (1b, Fig. 1)
$T(\cdot)_{ij}$	template of effective uncertainty $L_{ij}$ must cope with, Sec. 2
UHF	universal high-frequency, Section 2.1

$U(P_{ij})$	uncertainty due to $\{P_{ij}\}$
$\alpha_i$	trade-off factor between $L_i$ and $L_{i+1}$ (8)
$\gamma_i$	bound on $ T_d(j\omega) $ , (1b)
$\Delta_i$	Section 2.4
$\theta_{mij}$	phase margin assigned to $L_{ij}$ (5)
$\phi_1$	(8)
$\lambda_{ij}$	(11,12,15)
$\omega_{mij}$	at which $ L_{ij}(j\omega) $ is a maximum, $i > 1$ , Section 2.1
$\omega_{xij}$	at which $L_{ij0}$ turns corner of $B_{hij}$ , Section 2.1.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This paper presents quantitative synthesis techniques for the linear time invariant multiple-loop feedback structures of Figs. 1,2. The constrained part ("Plant" - darker lines) has internal variables which may be sensed and used in independent feedback loops. With each sensor there is associated a noise source with power spectrum  $N_i(s)N_i(-s)$ . Due to uncertainty it is only known that each  $P_{ij} \in$  a given set  $P_{ij}$ . "Quantitative" denotes "design to specifications" - to satisfy given closed-loop tolerances  $\forall P_{ij} \in P_{ij}$ . The problem is how to best divide this "feedback burden" among the loops. Since the principal "cost of feedback" is in the bandwidth of the feedback loops and resulting large sensitivity to sensor noise, this design freedom is used to decrease the loop bandwidths and sensor noise effects.

The above is a very complex nonlinear optimization problem, obviously not amenable to the theorem-proving approach of "modern" control theory. The approach taken here is to attain a deep understanding of the important conflicting factors and trade-offs, permitting great simplification. Based on this, simple transparent design techniques are developed which rapidly give the designer excellent overall design perspective. Plants with large uncertainty are emphasized because the advantage of multiple over single loop design is then very great.

Minimum-phase systems are assumed in this paper, but open-loop unstable plants are permitted (Horowitz and Sidi 1972, 1978). The tolerances on the system response to command inputs  $R$ , are then completely specified by the requirement (Figs. 1,2)

$$\left| \frac{C}{R}(j\omega) \right| \stackrel{\Delta}{=} |T(j\omega)| \in [A(\omega), B(\omega)] \quad , \quad \forall P_{ij} \in P_{ij} \quad (1a)$$

with  $A(\omega)$ ,  $B(\omega)$  the given upper and lower bounds on  $|T(j\omega)|$ . This paper concentrates on (1a) with disturbance attenuation considered by the requirement (Figs. 1,2)

$$|T_d| \triangleq \left| \frac{C}{D} T(j\omega) \right| \leq \gamma_1, \quad \forall P_{ij} \in P_{ij}. \quad (1b)$$

Plant modification. In Figs. 1,2 all the feedback loops are returned to the plant input  $X$ . This is denoted as "no plant modification", for the following reason. It is assumed that the "plant specialist" has designed the plant with the capacity to deliver  $C = TR$  in (1a) for a given set  $\{R\}$ . Feedback is needed because of the uncertainty, but the "feedback specialist" is not allowed to tamper with the plant. In Figs. 1,2 all internal plant variables are completely determined by  $C$  and the  $P_{ij}$ , so have safe values, if (1a) is satisfied. If feedback  $H_1$  from  $C$  to  $C_1$  in the insert in Fig. 1a is used, then  $C_2 = \frac{C(1+P_1H_1)}{P_1}$  a function of the feedback design and which may be unsafe (instead of  $C/P_1$ ), constituting "plant modification", which is forbidden. Some work has been done on the plant modification case for the cascade plant (Wang and Horowitz, 1978).

In this paper, synthesis is in the frequency domain, because of the simplicity and transparency thereby achievable. But it is emphasized that by means of tolerances of the (1a) type one can guarantee (Horowitz 1976, Krishnan and Cruickshanks 1977) that time-domain tolerances on the output of the form

$$a_i \leq \frac{d^{(i)}c}{dt^i} \leq b_i \quad (2)$$

can be satisfied for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  any finite number.



Previous work. Quantitative design in the above sense has been presented (Horowitz and Sidi 1972, 1973; Horowitz and Wang 1977) for Fig. 1a, and for a special case of Fig. 2a with  $m=2$ ,  $n_1=n$ ,  $n_2=1$ . This paper considerably sharpens the results and extends them to the much more general structures in Figs. 1b,2a.

## 2. BASIC FEATURES OF MULTIPLE-LOOP DESIGN

Some key features of multiple-loop design for plants with large uncertainty, are next explained. Consider first a single-loop design (with sub-S designations below) of the  $n$ -loop plant of Fig. 1a,  $P = P_1 P_2 \dots P_n$ , i.e.  $G_2 = G_3 = \dots = G_n = 0$ ,  $G_1 = G_S$  (Fig. 3).

$$T = \frac{F_S L_S}{1+L_S}, \quad L_S = G_S P, \quad L_{S0} = G_S P_0 \quad (3a-c)$$

where the sub-oh always indicates a fixed "nominal"  $L$  or  $P$ . Due to uncertainty when  $P \neq P_0$ ,

$$\Delta \ln |T| = \Delta \ln \left| \frac{L_S}{1+L_S} \right|, \quad \Delta \ln L_S = \Delta \ln P = \ln \frac{P}{P_0}. \quad (4a,b)$$

The complex number set  $\{P(j\omega)\}$  gives a region in the complex plane, denoted as the plant template  $T(P)$ . The bounds (1a,b) impose bounds  $B_S(\omega)$  on  $L_{S0}(j\omega)$  - see Fig. 3. Manipulation of  $T(P)$  on the logarithmic complex plane, Nichols chart, with its loci of constant  $T' \triangleq |L/(1+L)|$  is very convenient for understanding the relations between  $T(P)$ , (1a,b) and  $B(\omega)$ .

### 2.1 Design Example 1 (Fig. 3)

The above is illustrated by the following design problem with deliberately chosen great uncertainty, to emphasize the advantage of multiple-loop design. Parameter uncertainties are assumed independent in all the examples.

Plant and Tolerances:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= P_1 P_2 P_3, \quad P_1 = k_1 / (s^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n s + \omega_n^2), \\
 P_2 &= K_2 / (\tau_2 s + 1), \quad P_3 = K_3 / (\tau_3 s + 1), \\
 \zeta\omega_n &\in [-3, 5], \quad \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} \in [2, 10], \quad k_1 \in [4, 1250], \\
 \tau_2 &\in [1/3, 1], \quad K_2 \in [10, 33.3], \quad \tau_3 \in [0.05, 0.1], \\
 K_3 &\in [100, 158].
 \end{aligned}$$

The tolerances (1a) on  $|T(j\omega)|$  are shown in Fig. 19b, derived from original time-domain tolerances of Fig. 19a;  $\gamma_1 = 3$  db.

Bounds  $B_S(\omega)$  on  $L_{S0}(j\omega)$ . The manipulation mentioned after (4), gives the bounds  $B_S(\omega)$  in Fig. 3. At low frequencies (lf), (1a) dominates but sooner or later as  $\omega$  increases, (1b) dominates because of Bode's "equality of positive and negative feedback areas" (Bode 1945, Horowitz 1963). The latter dictates that in realistic specifications, at "large"  $\omega$ , it is essential that  $[\Delta \ln |T|]_{\max}$  (permitted by the specifications)  $>$   $[\Delta \ln |P|]_{\max}$ . Also, at high frequencies (hf)

$$P_{ij} \rightarrow \frac{k_{ij}}{s^{e_{ij}}}, \quad e_{ij} > 0, \quad k_{ij} \in [a_{ij}, b_{ij}]. \quad (5)$$

These two factors lead to the  $B(\omega)$  merging into a single "universal hf boundary" (UHFB)  $B_{HS}$  effective for  $\omega >$  some  $\omega_H$  value whose width  $2\theta_{mS}$  is determined by  $\gamma_1$  of (1b) — see Fig. 3.

Practical optimum design. In minimum-phase systems any  $L_{i0}$  problem with bounds  $B_i(\omega)$  and UHFB  $B_{Hi}$  as in Fig. 3, is solvable (Horowitz 1975) by an infinitude of satisfactory  $L_{i0}$ , permitting optimization. As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $L_{i0}(s) \rightarrow k_{i0}/s^{e_i}$ . The optimum has been defined as that, which for a fixed  $e_i$ , minimizes  $k_{i0}$ . It has been proven (Horowitz 1973, Horowitz and Sidi 1978) that a unique optimum  $L_{i0}$  exists in the limit, and which lies on its

$B_i(\omega)$  for each  $\omega \in [0, \infty)$ . However,  $L_{i0} \neq L_{i0,opt}$  may require a very high order transfer function, so there is trade-off between order of  $L_{i0}$  and the optimization.

Most important, is that in significant uncertainty problems (wherein there is great advantage in multiple-loop design), a sensibly optimum  $L_{i0}$  closely follows its uHFB  $B_{hi}$  along its right boundary, e.g.  $U_S V_S$  in Figs. 3,4 for  $L_{S0}$ , up to its "corner" frequency  $\omega_{xi}$ , at which  $L_{i0}$  turns the "corner" of its  $B_{hi}$ . Along the right vertical side ( $U_i V_i$ ) of  $B_{hi}$ , the average slope of  $|L_{i0}(j\omega)|$  is approximately  $-\frac{(180 - \theta_{mi})}{180} 40$  db per decade, where  $\theta_{mi}$ , the "phase margin", is defined in Figs. 3,5. For some interval  $(\omega_{xi}, \omega_{m,i+1})$ ,  $|L_{i0}(j\omega)|$  is fairly constant but  $\text{Arg } L_{i0}(j\omega)$  decreases rapidly towards its final value of  $-e_i 90^\circ$ , and  $|L_{i0}|$  to its final slope of  $-20e_i$  db per decade.

In significant hf uncertainty problems, all the sensibly optimum  $L_{i0}$  have the above properties in the hf region — see Figs. 3-5, 11a,b, 12, 15, etc. The great advantage of multiple-loop design is in this hf region. Therefore, several standard universal hf patterns have been prepared in Fig. 8 for various  $\theta_m$  values, based upon the experience of the authors. These enable fast estimates of  $L_{i0}$ , as explained in 2.4.

### 2.1.1 The Sensor Noise Problem

It is well known that feedback is ineffective for uncertainty and noise in the return path. The noise problem is especially crucial in highly uncertain systems, in its effect at the plant input  $X$ . In the single-loop design

$$T_{N_1} \triangleq \frac{-X}{N_1} = \frac{G_S}{1 + G_S P} = \frac{1/P}{L_S} = \frac{L_S}{P} = \frac{L_{S0}}{P_0} \quad (6)$$

in the hf range where  $|L_S(j\omega)| \ll 1$ . The difference between  $|L_{S0}|$  and  $|P_0|$  in Fig. 4 reveals at once the great amplification of  $N_1$  over an enormous band — see Fig. 6. Even if  $N_1$  rms is very small, such amplification may make  $|X_N|$  so large as to saturate elements near  $X$ , most of the time. This is a serious limitation which a multiple-loop design may greatly alleviate. Such fantastic sensor noise amplification likely makes a single-loop design impractical, but this is the price paid for coping with the extremely large uncertainty in this example. Note that in "modern state-variable" designs, sensor noise amplification is infinite, even in problems with no uncertainty. No wonder this serious practical problem is ignored in "modern control theory" (Horowitz and Shaked 1975).

## 2.2 Outer Loop Design in Multiple-Loop System

Multiple-loop design can help in the  $T_{N1}$  problem by having the inner loops handle the uncertainty in  $P_2, P_3$ . Replace the dashed portion in Figs. 1a,3 by  $P_{2e}$  etc., giving

$$\frac{C}{R} = T = \frac{FG_1P_1P_{2e}}{1+G_1P_1P_{2e}} \triangleq F \frac{L_1}{1+L_1}, \quad P_{2e} = \frac{P_2P_{3e}}{1+G_2P_2P_{3e}} \triangleq \frac{L_2}{G_2(1+L_2)}$$

$$P_{3e} = \frac{P_3}{1+G_3P_3} \triangleq \frac{L_3}{G_3(1+L_3)} \quad (n=3 \text{ here})$$

$$T_{N1} = \frac{-X}{N_1} = \frac{L_1/P_1P_2P_3}{1+L_1} \triangleq \frac{L_1}{P_1P_2P_3} = \frac{L_{10}}{P_0} \quad \text{in hf} \quad (7a-f)$$

$$T_{N2} = \frac{-X}{N_2} = \frac{L_2/P_2P_3}{(1+L_1)(1+L_2)} \triangleq \frac{L_2}{P_2P_3} = \frac{L_{20}}{P_{20}P_{30}} \quad \text{in hf}$$

$$T_{N3} = \frac{-X}{N_3} = \frac{L_3/P_3}{(1+L_1)(1+L_2)(1+L_3)} \triangleq \frac{L_3}{P_3} = \frac{L_{30}}{P_{30}} \quad \text{in hf}$$

The best that can be done for the outer loop  $L_1$  is to let  $L_2$  handle  $T(P_{\underline{e}})$ , so  $L_1$  need cope only with  $T(P_1)$ . The savings in hf are quickly seen. From (5),  $T(P_1) \rightarrow b_1/a_1 = 312.5 \ll T(P_1P_2P_3) \rightarrow b_1b_2b_3/a_1a_2a_3 \doteq 10^4$  in Ex. 1, a saving  $\phi_1$  of 30 db. The length of the UHFB  $B_{h1}(\omega)$  of  $L_{10}$ ,  $\ell(B_{h1}) = (\ell(B_{hS}) - 30)$  db. It is useful to allow a trade-off factor  $\alpha_1$  between  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{20}$ , making

$$\ell_{\text{eff}}(B_{h1}) = \ell(B_{hS}) - (\phi_1 - \alpha_1) \quad (8)$$

The assumption  $L_{10}(j\omega) \doteq L_{S0}(j\omega)$  in lf is later justified. If so, an excellent approximation of  $L_{10}$  (denoted by  $L_{10}^A$ , hardly distinguishable from the exact  $L_{10}$ ), is achieved by shifting in Figs. 3,4 the hf  $V_S W_S X_S$  part of  $L_{S0}$ , upwards by  $(\phi_1 - \alpha_1)$  db and in Fig. 4 also to the left until it merges with the upper part of  $L_{S0}$ . Since  $(T_{N1})_S \doteq L_{S0}/P_0$  while  $(T_{N1})_{2 \text{ or } 3 \text{ loop}} \doteq L_{10}/P_0$  in hf, it is seen that  $|(T_{N1})_S| < |(T_{N1})_{2,3}|$  in  $V_1 W_1$  in Fig. 4, vastly offset by  $|(T_{N1})_{2,3}| \ll |(T_{N1})_S|$  over a much wider range — see Fig. 6 and note the different scales. This fast approximation of  $L_{10}$  is part of "Design Perspective", presented later.

In the above,  $L_{10}$  was assumed  $\doteq L_{S0}$  in lf, as if there is no saving in lf by letting  $L_{10}$  handle  $T(P_1)$  instead of  $T(P_1P_2P_3)$ . It is next shown that the resulting saving is in fact quite small relative to that in hf. This is illustrated in Fig. 7a for  $T(P)$  a vertical 20 db line, with allowed  $\Delta|T|$  of 8 db,  $P_0 = P_{\min}$ . At  $\arg L_0 = -130^\circ$  the bound on  $L_0$  is -7.7 db with  $|T|_{\min} = -5.7$  db,  $|T|_{\max} = 2.3$  db. But it is easily seen that this  $L_0$  is satisfactory for uncertainty (of a vertical line template)  $> 20$  db, even semi-infinite. In fact, the template could even expand to include the entire region (shaded) between the loci of  $|T| = 2.3$  db and  $|T| = -5.7$  db. This property of "free uncertainty" is a vital feature of multiple-loop design,

which is highly transparent in the language of "frequency response". From examination of the  $|T'|$  loci on the Nichols chart, it is seen that this property is not as nice for  $\text{Arg } L_0 \in [0, -90^\circ]$  but still very good. For example, if  $\text{Arg } L_0 = -50^\circ$  with the same  $T(P)$  and allowed  $\Delta|T|$  as before,  $|L_0|_{\min} = 4.8$  db with  $|T'|_{\min} = -3$ db in Fig. 7a. If 5.3 db is used for  $|L_0|$  instead of 4.8 db, then it can handle semi-infinite gain uncertainty. In another example including uncertain poles and zeros giving  $T(P) \sim 75^\circ$  wide, the maximum increase in  $L_{\min}$  needed (with  $\text{Arg } L_0 > -90^\circ$ ) was only 3 db, despite a difference of 40 db in the two templates.

The few db savings achievable in lf by using  $T(P_1)$  instead of  $T(P_1 P_2 P_3)$ , may be important in some applications and would then be exploited. Since they are  $\ll$  hf savings achievable in this paper, they are ignored in all the designs in this paper, in order to simplify multiple-loop design. In all the examples, the outer loop  $L_{10}$  handles  $T(P)$  for  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$  defined in Fig. 3. In such cases  $L_{10} \doteq L_{S0}$  in lf is obviously justifiable. But even if  $T(P_1)$  is used in lf design of  $L_{10}$ , the error is small (Design Perspective, by assuming  $L_{10} \doteq L_{S0}$  in lf).

### 2.3 Inner Loop Design

$L_{10}$  has been designed in hf as if  $P_{2e}$  of (7b) has little uncertainty (essentially  $\alpha_1$ ). Since  $P_{2e} G_2 = L_2 / (1 + L_2)$ ,  $L_2 = G_2 P_2 P_3$  (if  $G_3 = 0$ ) with large  $T(P_2 P_3)$ , it would seem that  $|L_{2j}|$  must be  $\gg 1$  over a large bandwidth. This is not necessarily so, due to the feature of "free uncertainty" discussed above.

There is only one region in which there is little "free uncertainty" for  $P_{2e}$  — where  $L_{10}(j\omega)$  is underneath  $B_{h1}$ ,  $[\omega_{x1}, \omega_*]$  in Fig. 7b, necessitating

some  $\alpha_1$  overdesign. Suppose  $T(P_1) = DE$ , and  $T(P_1 P_{2e}) \sim DEE_1 D_1$  for one design of  $L_{20}$ , which is satisfactory. In a different  $L_{20}$  design  $T(P_1 P_{2e}) = DEE_2 \dots$ , which violates  $\gamma_1$  of (1b). Clearly, if  $\alpha_1 = 0$  there would be very little "free uncertainty" and  $|L_2|$  would have to be very large in this  $\omega$  range. In practice a few db for  $\alpha_1$  suffice (Horowitz and Sidi 1973).

The actual tolerable  $P_{2e}(j\omega)$  uncertainty, denoted by  $U_{tol.}(P_{2e})$ , is obtained in the above manner. From (7b), these are bounds on  $\Delta \ln[L_2/(1+L_2)]$ . Hence, the design of  $L_{20}$  to satisfy  $U_{tol.}(P_{2e})$  despite  $T(P_2 P_{3e})$  is similar to the design of  $L_{10}$  to satisfy (1a), despite  $T(P_1)$ . If  $L_3$  is not used,  $P_{3e} = P_3$  and  $T(P_2 P_3)$  is used. If  $L_3$  is used,  $P_{3e} = P_3/(1+L_3)$  and it is assumed  $L_3$  handles  $T(P_3)$ , just as it was assumed  $L_2$  handles  $T(P_{2e})$  in the design of  $L_1$ . The resulting bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  on  $L_{20}(j\omega)$  are shown in Fig. 5a for the case  $L_3$  is used, including a hand-calculated "practical optimum"  $L_{20}$ . Note the UHFB  $B_{h2}$  for  $L_{20}$  with its  $\gamma_2$ ,  $\theta_{m2}$  analogous to  $B_{h1}$  etc. of  $L_{10}$ , and  $\omega_{x2}$  of  $L_{20}$  cf.  $\omega_{x1}$  of  $L_{10}$ . In view of the similarity of these hf parameters of  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{20}$ , it is not surprising that the hf shape of  $L_{20}$  is very similar to that of  $L_{10}$ . The next step is to design  $L_3$ .  $U_{tol.}(P_{3e})$  is obtained in the same manner as  $U_{tol.}(P_{2e})$  above, giving bounds on  $\Delta \ln L_3/(1+L_3)$ , etc., leading to bounds  $B_3(\omega)$  on  $L_{30}(j\omega)$ , shown in Fig. 5b, and finally the design of  $L_{30}$ . It is especially useful that very fast approximate  $L_{20}^A(j\omega)$  may be derived from  $L_{10}(j\omega)$ , just as  $L_{10}^A(j\omega)$  could be derived from  $L_{S0}(j\omega)$ , and in general  $L_{10}^A$  from  $L_{i-1,0}^A$ .

2.4 Design Perspective: Fast Derivation of  $L_{10}^A(j\omega)$

The parameters needed are listed for any  $L_{10}^A(j\omega)$ .

$\theta_{mi}$  - the phase margin for  $L_{10}$ , related to  $\gamma_i$ , the maximum permitted value of  $|L_i/(1+L_i)| = |T_i|$ .

$\alpha_i$  - the overdesign or trade-off factor between  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{i+1,0}$ .

$B_{hi}$  - the UHFB of  $L_{10}$  whose length  $\ell(B_{hi})$  is determined by the hf uncertainty of  $P_i$ , its width by  $\theta_{mi}$ .

$\omega_{xi}$  - at which  $L_{10}$  turns the bottom corner of  $B_{hi}$  and which decisively influences  $L_{i+1,0}$ .

$\omega_{mi}$  - at which  $|L_{10}(j\omega)|$  has its maximum value ( $i > 1$ );  $\omega_{mi}$  is obtainable from  $L_{i-1,0}$ .

$M_i = |L_{10}(j\omega_{mi})|$ ,  $i > 1$ .

$\Delta_i = \text{Min}(B_{hi}) - \alpha_i$ , where  $\text{Min}(B_{hi})$  is the minimum magnitude of  $B_{hi}$ .

Figs. 8a-c present "universal" hf (UHFC)  $L_{10}$  and  $M_i$  characteristics obtained from a study of numerical examples and theoretical considerations (Horowitz and Sidi 1972; 1973). These curves are used to derive  $L_{10}^A$  from  $L_{i-1,0}^A$  for  $i > 1$ . UHFC  $L_{10}$  in Fig. 8a (only for  $\theta_{m1} = 50^\circ$ ), is used to obtain  $L_{10}^A$  from  $L_{S0}$ . In all of these  $e_i = 5$  is used.  $L_{10}(\text{IF})$  in Fig. 8a is used to make the transition from lf to hf.

Procedure for "Design Perspective"

1) Make a single-loop design  $L_{S0}$  to handle the entire problem, as in Figs. 3,4 for Example 1. Let the hf portion of  $L_{S0}$  be reasonably close to UHFC ( $L_{10}$ ) in Fig. 8a.

2) Let  $\phi_1$  be the hf uncertainty of  $P_2 P_3 \dots P_n$ . Obtain  $L_{10}$  by shifting the UHFC portion of  $L_{S0}$  upwards by  $(\phi_1 - \alpha_1)$  db as in Figs. 3,4.



3) The value of  $\omega_{m2}$  is at the arrow marked  $\omega_m$  on UHFC ( $L_{10}$ ) in Fig. 8a. The value of  $M_2 = |L_{20}(j\omega_{m2})|$  is available from Fig. 8c, which together determine Q on  $L_{20}^A$  in Fig. 4. Draw a horizontal line in Fig. 4 at  $\Delta_2$  magnitude. If  $L_3$  is not used, then  $U(P_2P_3)$  determines  $B_{h2}$  giving  $\Delta_2 = -36$  db. If  $L_3$  is used,  $U(P_2)$  determines  $B_{h2}$  giving  $\Delta_2 = -25$  db. Transparencies of Figs. 8a,b are assumed available. Place the transparency of  $L_{10}$ (IF) of Fig. 8a, on Fig. 4 so that the two Q points coincide. Find where  $L_{10}$ (IF) intersects the  $\Delta_2$  line, giving point C.

4) Pick the  $L_{10}$ (HF) curve in Fig. 8b according to the  $\theta_{m2}$  value used for  $L_{20}$ . Lay the transparency of this  $L_{10}$ (HF) on Fig. 4, such that the two C points coincide.  $L_{20}^A$  consists of  $L_{10}$ (IF) of Fig. 8a in the intermediate  $\omega$  range and of  $L_{10}$ (HF) of Fig. 8b in hf. Use the portion of  $L_{10}$ (HF) to the left of C to obtain a smooth curve for  $L_{20}^A$ .

5) Steps 3,4 are repeated in order to determine  $L_{30}$ . Use the arrow on the appropriate  $L_{10}$ (HF) of Fig. 8b, to locate  $\omega_{m3}$ . Use Fig. 8c to obtain  $M_3$ , giving a new Q in Fig. 4. Then lay  $L_{10}$ (IF) of Fig. 8a on Fig. 4, so that the Q's coincide, etc. A horizontal line of value  $\Delta_3$  is drawn, etc. The entire process is repeated until all the loops are exhausted.

The results in Fig. 4 and numerous others have shown excellent agreement between the  $L_{10}^A$  and the actual final detailed  $L_{10}$  designs. Of course, in designing  $L_{10}$  to satisfy its  $B_i(\omega)$ , one strives to achieve  $L_{10}^A$  knowing that it is a realistic practical optimum.

6) After each  $L_{10}$  is obtained, it is a good idea to sketch (as in Fig. 4) the effective P values to use for the sensor noise effect. From (7d-f), it is  $P_0$  for  $T_{N1}$ ,  $P_{20}^1 = P_{20}P_{30}$  for  $T_{N2}$ ,  $P_{30}$  for  $T_{N3}$ . Sketches of  $L_{50}/P_0$ ,  $L_{10}/P_0$ ,  $L_{20}/P_{20}P_{30}$ ,  $L_{30}/P_{30}$  give the  $T_{Ni}$  in hf.

If there is little  $N_1$  sensor noise amplification ( $|L_{S0}/P_0|$  not large over a large  $\omega$  range), there may be no point in using more feedback loops. After  $L_{10}^A$  has been obtained, it is easy to see the saving in sensor  $N_1$  noise effect by using  $L_2$ . Sketch  $P_{20}^i = P_{20} \dots P_{no}$  to see the hf  $N_2$  sensor noise effect ( $L_{20}/P_{20}^i$ ). Similarly  $L_{10}^i/P_{10}^i$ ,  $P_{10}^i = P_{10} \dots P_{no}$ , gives the hf  $N_1$  sensor noise effect. The fact that the design of  $L_{10}$  is insensitive to that of  $L_{1+j,0}$  ( $j > 1$ ), is central to this approach.

The designer has to decide which sensor noise points to use and the corresponding  $\alpha_i$  trade-off values. "Design Perspective" enables him to very quickly evaluate different loop trade-offs. For example in Fig. 6, the  $T_{N2}$  (3-loop) effect  $< T_{N2}$  (2-loop) certainly if  $N_2$  is white noise, but the improvement may not justify the cost of the additional sensor. If  $(N_2)_{rms}$  is very large, he may try larger  $\alpha_1$ , and quickly see the trade-off between  $T_{N1}$  and  $T_{N2}$ .

### 3. TWO-BRANCH CASCADE-PARALLEL PLANT

A special case of Fig. 2a, shown in Fig. 9, has been studied in detail (Horowitz and Wang 1977). Design Perspective, as simple as for the cascade plant, has since been developed. Also, the results are used in the more elaborate structure of Figs. 1b,2 so Design Perspective for this case is presented with minimum essential background. In Fig. 9,

$$P \triangleq P_{11}(P_{12} \dots P_{1n}) + P_{21} \triangleq P_{11}P_a + P_{21} \quad (9a,b)$$

$$\frac{C}{R} = T = \frac{FGP}{(1 + \sum_2^n G_{11}P_{11}) + GP} \triangleq \frac{FGP}{(D_1) + GP} = \frac{FGP/D_1}{1 + (GP/D_1)} \triangleq F \frac{L_1}{1+L_1}$$

$$T_{N1} = \frac{-X}{N_1} = \frac{G}{D_1 + GP} = \frac{L_1/P}{1+L_1} \triangleq \frac{L_1}{P} = \frac{L_{10}}{P_0} \quad \text{in hf} \quad (10)$$

For minimum-phase  $P$ , a single-loop design can satisfy (1a,b) but the sensor noise effect can be disastrous. The best the inner loops can do for the outer loop  $L_1$ , is to handle the uncertainty of  $P_a$  of (9a), denoted by  $U(P_a)$ . As in the cascade case, the great saving is in  $\omega > \omega_{x1}$ , so attention is focused at hf where (5) applies. Let  $P$  in which  $P_a$  is kept fixed be denoted by

$$P^1 = P_{11}P_{a0} + P_{21} \overset{\Delta}{=} \lambda_{11}P_{110}P_{a0} + P_{21}, \quad L^1 = \frac{GP^1}{D_{10}} \quad (11a,b)$$

where as always, the sub-oh indicates a fixed value chosen as nominal. The nominal  $P_{1i0}$  for  $i > 1$  appear in  $D_{10}$ .

In the notation of (5),  $e_{21} = \sum_1^n e_{11}$  is assumed. It was found (Horowitz and Wang 1977) that if  $b_{21}/a_{21} > b_{11}/a_{11}$ ,  $T_{\min}(P^1)$  is obtained by letting  $P_{a0} = a_a/s^e$  in (11a) ( $b_a$  for the opposite case). The universal hf  $B_{h1}$  for  $L_{10}$  then has length  $\ell(B_{h1}) = (a_a b_{11} + b_{21}) / (a_a a_{11} + a_{21})$ , so the savings achievable by using  $G_{12}$  in Fig. 9 is  $(b_a b_{11} + b_{21}) / (a_a b_{11} + b_{21})$ . The following example is used to describe the design procedure.

Design Example 2.  $P_{1j} = k_{1j}/s$ ,  $P_{21} = k_{21}/s^3$ ,  $a_{12} = 20$ ,  $a_{13} = 50$ ,  $a_{11} = 1$ ,  $a_{21} = 1000$ ,  $b_{11} = 60$ ,  $b_{12} = 800$ ,  $b_{13} = 500$ ,  $b_{21} = 200,000$ . This simple form for the  $P_{ij}$  is taken because of the design concentration on hf, where each plant section assumes this form. There is no need to re-demonstrate lf design.

Time domain bounds on the acceptable step response are shown in Fig. 10a, and their translation into bounds on  $|T(j\omega)|$  in Fig. 10b. Translation (recall (2)) is always possible, but good, economic translation is an engineering art. In practice, good results have been obtained with moderate effort — see Fig. 14 for design verification. Also,  $\gamma_1 = 2.3$  db  $\rightarrow$  24% overshoot in a second-order model.

Design Perspective for Outer Loop  $L_{10}$  . A single-loop design  $L_{S0}$  is first made - Fig. 12, with  $\lambda(B_{HS}) = 81.7$  db cf. 42.3 db for  $\lambda(B_{H1})$  in a multiple-loop design. Unlike the cascade case  $\alpha_1 = 0$  can and was used, although  $\alpha \neq 0$  may be used for trade-off between  $L_1$  and the first inner loop  $L_{12}$  . Hence,  $L_{10}^A$  is obtained by shifting the UHFC portion of  $L_{S0}$  upwards by  $\phi_1 = 81.7 - 42.3 = 39.4$  db - see Fig. 12 where all the Design Perspective  $L_{ij}^A$  are dashed curves. Find  $\omega_{m12}$  , at which  $|L_{120}(j\omega)|$  is maximum, by use of the arrow on UHFC in Fig. 8a, as explained previously. However, Fig. 8c cannot be used to give  $M_{ij}$  for reasons given below.

First Inner Loop Design. The first inner loop via  $G_{12}$  need handle  $T(P_{12})$  only, so replace  $P^1$  ,  $L_1^1$  by

$$P^2 = P_{11}P_{12}P_{130}\cdots P_{1n0} + P_{21} = \lambda_{11}\lambda_{12}P_{ao}P_{110} + P_{21} \quad (12)$$

$$L_1^2 = \frac{GP^2}{D_1^2} = \frac{GP^2}{(1 + G_{1n}P_{1n0} + \cdots + G_{13}P_{1n0}\cdots P_{130}) + G_{12}\lambda_{12}P_{ao}}$$

$$\triangleq \frac{GP^2}{D_{20}(1 + \lambda_{12}L_{120})} \quad , \quad L_{120} = \frac{G_{12}P_{ao}}{D_{20}} \quad (13a,b)$$

$$T_{N12} = \frac{-X}{N_{12}} = \frac{G_{12}/D_2 = L_{12}/P_a}{(1 + L_{12})(1 + L_1)} \triangleq \frac{L_{12}}{P_a} = \frac{L_{120}}{P_{ao}} \quad \text{at hf} \quad (14)$$

Note the difference between this and cascade design in Section 2. It is impossible here to treat each inner loop as a separate equivalent single-loop problem, which made cascade design conceptually so simple. Here, at every new inner loop stage, we must return to the outer loop and allow for more uncertainty in  $L_1$  . Thus, in the outer loop design  $P_a = P_{ao}$  is used with  $L_1^1$  ,  $P^1$  ,  $D_{10}$  notation. In the first inner loop design,  $P_{12} \triangleq \lambda_{12}P_{120}$  replaces  $P_{120}$  (in  $P_a$  ) with  $L_1^2$  ,  $P^2$  ,  $D_1^2$  ,  $D_{20}$  notation. In the next

stage  $P_{12}P_{13}$  replaces  $P_{120}P_{130}$  in  $P_a$ , giving  $\lambda_{12}\lambda_{13}P_{ao}$ , with  $L_1^3$ ,  $P^3$ ,  $D_1^3$ ,  $D_2^3$ ,  $D_{30}$  notation (see 15-17).

The first inner loop in (12,13) must be designed so that  $L_1^2$  satisfies the same specifications as  $L_1^1$ , although the latter dealt only with  $U(P_{21}, P_{11})$ , while the former must cope with  $P_{21}$ ,  $P_{11}$ ,  $P_{12}$  in (12,13). Despite the apparent great difference between this and cascade design philosophy, it was nevertheless found (Horowitz and Wang 1977) that the bounds  $B_{12}(\omega)$  on  $L_{120}$  and the nature of the practical optimum design of the inner loops  $L_{120}$ ,  $L_{130}$ , ... are very similar to those in cascade design, e.g. see Fig. 11b for  $B_{12}(\omega)$ ,  $L_{120}(j\omega)$ . Design Perspective has now been extended to this structure. The peak values of  $L_{1io}$  (at  $\omega_{mi}$ ) require different formulae than Fig. 8c, and are given in the Appendix. But Figs. 8a,b are useable with the  $Q_i$ ,  $M_i$ ,  $\Delta_i$ , etc. exactly as before. The  $L_{1io}^A$  in Fig. 12 were so obtained and agree very closely with the detailed design.

For the second inner loop,  $P^2$ ,  $L_1^2$ , etc. in (12,13) are replaced in an obvious manner by

$$P^3 = \lambda_{11}\lambda_{12}\lambda_{13}P_{ao}P_{110} + P_{21} \quad (15)$$

$$L_1^3 = \frac{GP^3}{D_1^3} = \frac{GP^3}{D_{30}[1 + \lambda_{13}L_{130} + \lambda_{12}L_{120}(1 + L_{130})]} \quad (16a,c)$$

$$D_{30} = 1 + \sum_4^n G_{1i}P_{1io}, \quad L_{130} = \frac{G_{13}P_{1no} \cdots P_{140}P_{130}}{D_{30}}$$

$$T_{N13} = \frac{L_{130}/P_{1n} \cdots P_{14}P_{13}}{(1+L_{13})(1+L_{12})(1+L_1)} \doteq \frac{L_{130}}{P_{1no} \cdots P_{130}} \quad \text{in hf} \quad (17)$$

Tremendous improvement in sensor noise effects are obtained by multiple-loop design — see Fig. 13. This is due to the large hf uncertainties deliberately assigned in Ex. 2 to emphasize this property. The step and

disturbance response for a large number of plant parameter values are shown in Figs. 14a,b. It is seen that the problem tolerances are well satisfied with the extremes right at the boundaries. This is highly satisfying, as it indicates hardly any overdesign. The very slight excursions in Fig. 14a are typical of a good economical translation of time domain into  $\omega$ -domain bounds - i.e. one with very little waste in bandwidth.

#### 4. THE GENERAL TRIANGULAR MULTIPLE-LOOP SYSTEM

Quantitative design for the general triangular feedback system of Fig. 1b, including Design Perspective, is next presented. The following notation is convenient.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n &= P_{nc} \quad , \quad P_{n-1} = P_n P_{n-1,b} + P_{n-1,c} \quad , \\
 P_{n-2} &= P_{n-1} P_{n-2,b} + P_{n-2,c} \quad , \quad P_{n-3} = P_{n-2} P_{n-3,b} + P_{n-3,c} \\
 \dots \quad P_3 &= P_4 P_{3b} + P_{3c} \quad , \quad P_2 = P_3 P_{2b} + P_{2c} \quad , \\
 P &= P_2 P_{1b} + P_{1c} \quad .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{18}$$

$$\frac{C}{R} = T = \frac{FP_1 G_1}{(1 + \sum_{i=2}^n P_i G_i) + PG_1} \triangleq \frac{FP_1 G_1}{D = D_1 + PG_1} = F \frac{L_1}{1+L_1}
 \tag{19a-c}$$

$$L_1 = \frac{PG_1}{D_1} \quad , \quad T_{N1} = \frac{-X}{M_1} = \frac{G_1}{D_1} = \frac{L_1/P}{1+L_1} \triangleq \frac{L_{10}}{P_0} \quad \text{in hf} \quad .$$

Hence to ease  $T_{N1}$ , as before let  $L_1$  handle  $T(P)$  for  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$ , at which  $L_{10}$  turns the corner of its  $B_{h1}$ , but with  $\ell(B_{h1})$  given by  $T(P^1)$  defined by (cf. (11))

$$P^1 = P_{20} P_{1b} + P_{1c} \quad , \quad \text{with} \quad L_1^1 \triangleq G_1 P^1 / D_{10} \quad .
 \tag{20}$$

Thus in hf at which (5) applies,  $L_{10}$  ignores  $U(P_2)$ , and  $L_{10}$  is designed precisely as in Section 3, including Design Perspective. The following design example is used.

Design Example 3. In Fig. 1b,  $n=4$  with

$$\begin{aligned} P_{4c} &= \frac{[1,40]10^3}{s} & P_{3b} &= \frac{[1,18]100}{s} & P_{3c} &= \frac{[1,60]10^5}{s^2} \\ P_{2b} &= \frac{[1,18]10}{s} & P_{2c} &= \frac{[2,120]10^6}{s^3} & & \\ P_{1b} &= \frac{[1,60]}{s} & P_{1c} &= \frac{[4,800]10^6}{s^4} & & \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

The numbers were deliberately chosen so that the outer loop and first inner loop designs are identical to those of Ex. 2. The tolerances (1a,b, Figs. 10a,b) are also the same. In the notation of (22),

$$\begin{aligned} P_4 &= P_{4c} = [1,40]10^3/s & P_3 &= P_4 P_{3b} + P_{3c} = [2,780]10^5/s^2 & , \\ P_3^0 &= P_4 P_{3b} + P_{3c} = [2,78]10^5/s^2 & P_2 &= P_3 P_{2b} + P_{2c} = [4,14160]10^6/s^3 & , \\ P_2^0 &= P_3 P_{2b} + P_{2c} = [4,156]10^6/s^3 & P &= P_2 P_{1b} + P_{1c} = [8,850400]10^6/s^4 & , \\ P^1 &= P_2 P_{1b} + P_{1c} = [8,1040]10^6/s^4 & & & \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

In case A first treated, only  $\theta_{m1}$  on  $L_1$  is specified. In case B,  $\theta_{mi} = 18^\circ$  ( $i > 1$ ) must be also satisfied  $\forall P_{ij} \in P_{ij}$ .

First Inner Loop.  $U(P_2)$  previously neglected is now considered, but only of

$$P_2^1 \triangleq P_3 P_{2b} + P_{2c} \triangleq \lambda_2^1 (P_3 P_{2b0} + P_{2c0}) = \lambda_2^1 P_{20} \quad (23)$$

giving the effective plant and loop (cf. 12-14)

$$P^2 = \lambda_2^1 P_{20} P_{1b} + P_{1c} \quad , \quad L_1^2 = \frac{P_i^2 G_1}{D_1^2} = \frac{P_i^2 G_1}{D_{20}(1 + \lambda_2^1 L_{20})} \quad (24a,b)$$

$$D_{20} = 1 + \sum_3^n P_{10} G_1, \quad L_{20} = \frac{P_{20} G_2}{D_{20}} \quad (24c-e)$$

$$T_{N20} = \frac{-X}{N_2} = \frac{G_2}{D_{20}(1+L_{10})(1+L_{20})} = \frac{L_{20}}{P_{20}} \text{ in hf.}$$

Bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  are found on  $L_{20}$  so that  $L_1^2$  satisfies  $B_{h1}$  even though  $U(P_{2b}, P_{2c})$  previously neglected, are now included. By comparing (23,24) with (12-14), it is clear that the exact design and Design Perspective are identical with Section 2. Here  $\lambda(B_{h2}) = (\lambda_2^1)_{\max} = [2(18) + 120]/(2+2) = 39$ , and  $\theta_{m2} = 18^\circ$  is used. The resulting bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  and  $L_{20}$  are shown in Figs. 15a, 16a.

Second Inner Loop.  $U(P_{3b}, P_{3c})$  are next included, giving the effective plant and loop functions, etc.

$$P^3 = \lambda_2^2 P_{20} P_{1b} + P_{1c}, \quad \lambda_2^2 = (\lambda_3^2 P_{30} P_{2b} + P_{2c}) / P_{20},$$

$$\lambda_3^2 = \frac{P_{40} P_{3b} + P_{3c}}{P_{30}}, \quad L^3 = \frac{P^3 G_1}{D_{30} [1 + \lambda_3^2 L_{30} + \lambda_2^2 L_{20} (1 + L_{30})]},$$

$$L_{30} = \frac{P_{30} G_3}{D_{30}}, \quad D_{30} = 1 + \sum_4^n P_{10} G_1, \quad T_{N30} = \frac{L_{30}}{P_{30}} \text{ at hf. (25a-g)}$$

Here  $(\lambda_2^2)_{\max} = [(39)(2)(18) + 120]/2 = 381$ . By comparing (25) with (15-17), it is seen that the exact and perspective designs here are precisely the same as in Section 3. It is also obvious how the third and higher inner loops may be formulated so that their designs are exactly the same as in Section 3. For later purposes, note that the effective first inner loop is now (cf. 24b)

$$L_2^3 = G_2 \frac{(\lambda_3^2 P_{30} P_{2b} + P_{2c})}{D_{30} (1 + \lambda_3^2 L_{30})} \quad (26)$$



The designs are shown in Figs. 15b, 16a. Note the excellent agreement between Design Perspective and the detailed designs. The tremendous improvement in sensor noise effects are seen in Fig. 16b.

Case B. In this case  $\theta_{mi}$ ,  $\forall i$  (not just  $i=1$  as in Case A) must be maintained  $\forall P_{ij} \in P_{ij}$ . The designs of  $L_{10}$ ,  $L_{20}$  are as in Case A, but the demand on  $L_{30}$  to maintain  $\theta_{m2}$  is usually more stringent than that due to  $\theta_{m1}$ . In general, the dominant requirement on  $L_{10}$  is  $\theta_{m,i-1}$  for  $i > 2$ , seen as follows.

The obligation on the second inner loop  $L_{30}$  begins at  $\omega_{x2}$ , at which  $L_{10}$  is very small and its angle close to its final value (e.g. here -94 db at  $\omega_{x2} = 1000$ ). The only real danger it offers is that  $1 + L_1^3 \neq 0$  at some parameter combination, leading to a vertical bound of length  $(\lambda_3^2)_{\max}$ , on the Nichols chart, at  $-180^\circ$ . However, the limitation on  $L_{30}$  to satisfy  $B_{h2}$  with its  $\theta_{m2}$  also begins at  $\omega_{x2}$  but  $|L_{20}(j\omega_{x2})| \gg |L_{10}(j\omega_{x2})|$  generally (-32 db here). When  $U(P_{3b}, P_{3c})$  are considered, the effective first inner loop is given by  $L_2^3$  in (26), which is identical in form to (13a) of Section 3. Thus, the obligation on  $L_{30}$  to maintain  $\theta_{m2}$  is precisely of the same nature as the obligation on the first inner loop to maintain  $\theta_{m1}$ , in the cascade-parallel problem of Section 3, and with the same technique of Design Perspective.

The above is true in general, i.e.  $\theta_{mi}$  dominates the design of  $L_{i+1,0}$  and the resulting constraint on the latter is identical to that on the first inner loop to maintain  $\theta_{m1}$  in Section 3. Thus, when  $T(P_{4b}, P_{4c})$  are considered,  $L_{30}$  of (25) is replaced by

$$L_3^4 = \frac{\lambda_4^3 P_{40} P_{3b} + P_{3c}}{D_{40} (1 + \lambda_4^3 L_{40})} \quad (27)$$

identical in form to (26), and with obvious expressions for  $\lambda_4^3$ ,  $D_{40}$ ,  $L_{40}$ .

Application of Case B to Ex. 3. The outer and first inner loop designs are the same as in Case A, inasmuch as  $\theta_{mi} = 18^\circ$  was deliberately used in the designs of all the inner loops  $L_{i0}$ , as seen in Fig. 16. The first change is in  $L_{30}$  for which  $\theta_{m2}$  of  $L_2$  now dominates, etc. The resulting designs and  $T_{Ni}$  effects are shown in Figs. 17a-d. As expected, the "feedback cost" for the  $L_{i0}$  (Case B) and  $T_{Ni}$  are greater in Case B, than in Case A for  $i \geq 3$ . Note the good agreement with Design Perspective for Case B based on  $\theta_{mi} = 18^\circ$ , in Fig. 17c.

#### 5. THE ELEMENTARY PARALLEL-CASCADE STRUCTURE

Quantitative synthesis is next developed for the structure in Fig. 2, consisting of  $m$  parallel branches, the  $i$ -th having  $n_i$  cascade sections,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . An elementary member of this class is shown in Fig. 18. Its solution is highly useful for the general case, so it is presented first. Several design philosophies are developed, enabling the designer to divide the feedback burden among the loops and see the trade-offs. The first step in all cases is the design of the outer-loop  $L_1$ . At one extreme, ( $\alpha_1 = 0$ ) it need handle only  $U(P_{11}, P_{21})$  of Fig. 18, but  $\alpha_1$  may be used for trade-off. As noted previously, the major gain is at hf so  $L_1$  is assumed to handle the entire  $T(P)$ ,  $P = P_{12}P_{11} + P_{22}P_{21}$  for  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$ . The value of  $\omega_{x1}$  is based on  $L_1$  hf uncertainty of  $(k_{120}k_{11} + k_{220}k_{21})$  where as in (5)  $P_{ij} \rightarrow k_{ij}/s^{e_{ij}}$  at hf,  $k_{ij} \in [a_{ij}, b_{ij}]$  and  $k_{120}$ ,  $k_{220}$  are fixed nominal values taken at  $a_{i2}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . This part is precisely the same as before, including Design Perspective.

The different approaches are for the design of the inner loop via  $G_{12}$ ,  $G_{22}$ . It is very useful to note that for  $\omega > \omega_{x1}$  the greatest problem of violating the  $\gamma_1$  constraint due to the  $U(P_{12}, F_{22})$  ignored in the  $L_{10}$  design, is at the top of the template — at point E in Fig. 7b, at which  $k_{11} = b_{11}$ ,  $k_{21} = b_{21}$ . Thus, at hf  $L_1 = \frac{g_1(k_{11}k_{12} + k_{21}k_{22})}{1 + P_{12}G_{12} + P_{22}G_{22}}$ , where  $e_{11} + e_{12} = e_{21} + e_{22} = e$  is assumed and  $G_1 \triangleq g_1 s^e$ .  $|L_1(k_{11}, k_{21})| \leq |L_1(b_{11}, b_{21})|$  while  $\text{Arg } L_1(k_{11}, k_{21}) = \text{Arg } L_1(b_{11}, b_{21})$ , so if  $G_{12}$ ,  $G_{22}$  are chosen such that  $L_1(b_{11}, b_{21})$  does not violate  $\gamma_1$ ,  $\forall P_{12} \in P_{12}$ ,  $P_{22} \in P_{22}$ , the design works for all  $k_{11}$ ,  $k_{21}$  values. Henceforth,  $L_1^i$ ,  $i > 1$  used in inner loop synthesis is always at  $k_{i1} = k_{i1x} = b_{i1} s^{e_{i1}}$  ( $G_{i2} \triangleq g_{i2} s^{e_{i2}}$ ).

$$L_1^2 = \frac{g_1(b_{11}k_{12} + b_{21}k_{22})}{1 + k_{12}g_{12} + k_{22}g_{22}} \quad (28a)$$

In the first design approach choose  $g_{12} = b_{11}g_2$ ,  $g_{22} = b_{21}g_2$ , and then

$$L_1^2 = \frac{g_1(b_{11}k_{12} + b_{21}k_{22})}{1 + (b_{11}k_{12} + b_{21}k_{22})g_2} \triangleq \frac{g_1 k_e}{1 + g_2 k_e} \quad (28b)$$

This corresponds precisely to a two-section cascade problem (Fig. 1a), with  $k_e$  of (28b) analogous to  $P_{2e}$  of (7a), and  $P_1$  of (7a) set at a fixed  $P_{1x}$  ( $k_1 = b_1$ ) and can therefore be ignored. The design technique and Design Perspective of Section 2, therefore apply here. This approach is convenient when the uncertainties and orders of magnitude of  $P_{12}$ ,  $P_{22}$  and of  $N_{12}$ ,  $N_{22}$  are similar. However, if they significantly differ, the following second approach is more flexible. Let

$$b_{21}g_{12} - b_{11}g_{22} = x(j\omega)b_{21} \quad (29)$$

Suppose  $T_{N22}$  is the big problem, so  $g_{22}$  design economy is sought. Design

$g_{22}$  first to handle  $U(k_{22})$  only (setting  $k_{12} = a_{12}$ ), by using (29) to eliminate  $g_{12}$  in (28a), giving

$$L_1^2 = \frac{g_1 b_{21} L_2^2}{g_{22} (1 + L_2^2)}, \quad L_2^2 = \frac{g_{22}}{b_{21}} \frac{k_{22e}}{(1 + x a_{12})}, \quad k_{22e} = b_{11} a_{12} + b_{21} k_{22} \quad (30a-c)$$

Thus,  $x(j\omega)$  is assumed to handle  $U(k_{12})$  leaving  $T(k_{22e})$  to  $g_{22}$ . From (30a), (34b) just as for (28b), the design of  $g_{22}$ , so that  $L_1^2$  does not violate  $\gamma_1$  despite  $T(k_{22e})$ , is precisely that of the first inner loop in a cascade structure (Section 2) with its Design Perspective. The factor  $\alpha_2$  is used as trade-off between  $g_{22}$  and  $x$  (i.e.  $g_{12}$ ). This gives bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  which  $L_2^2$  must satisfy over  $T(k_{22e})$ .

The final step is to consider  $U(k_{12})$  with  $a_{12}$  in (30b,c) replaced by  $k_{12}$ . The resulting new  $L_2$  is

$$L_2^3 = \frac{g_{22}}{b_{21}} \frac{(b_{11} k_{12} + b_{21} k_{22})}{1 + k_{12} x(j\omega)}, \quad L_x = k_{12} x \quad (31a,b)$$

which is precisely of the same form as  $L_1^2$  in (24a,b). Thus, the design of  $L_x = a_{12} x$  so that  $L_2^3$  satisfies the  $B_2(\omega)$  (derived with  $U(k_{12})$  ignored), is the same as the design of the first inner loop in Section 4, so that  $L_1^2$  satisfies  $B_1(\omega)$  derived by ignoring  $U(P_{2b}, P_{2c})$ .

Design Example 4. Fig. 18 with  $P_{12} = [1, 90]/s^2$ ,  $P_{11} = [1, 10]/s$ ,  $P_{22} = [.1, 2/s^2]$ ,  $P_{21} = [1, 10]/s$ . The time domain bounds are in Fig. 19a, and their derived "equivalent"  $\omega$ -domain bounds in Fig. 19b;  $\gamma_1 = 2.3$  db.

For  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$ ,  $L_1$  handles the entire  $P$  uncertainty —  $[90(10) + 2(10)]/[1 + (.1)] = 836$ ; but for  $\omega > \omega_{x1}$ , only  $[10 + (.1)10]/[1 + (.1)] = 10$ . The detailed designs of the loops for  $x = 0$  and  $x \neq 0$ , the latter for different  $\alpha_{22}$  values (for trade-off between

$L_{22}$  and  $L_x$ ), are shown in Fig. 20a, together with the excellent approximations obtained very rapidly by Design Perspective. The sensor noise responses are compared in Fig. 20b, based on the equations (at hf)

$$T_{N22} \doteq \frac{L_{22}}{P_{12} \frac{b_{11}}{b_{21}} + P_{22}} \quad , \quad T_{N12} \doteq \frac{b_{11}}{b_{21}} T_{N22} + \frac{L_x}{P_{12}} \quad . \quad (32a,b)$$

It is clear from Fig. 20a,b how  $x$  and  $\alpha_{22}$  provide means of design trade-off. Of course, if  $T_{N12}$  is more serious than  $T_{N22}$ , then the  $G_{12}P_{12}$  loop may be designed first. The above notation can be retained by simply changing the numbering.

## 6. THE GENERAL PARALLEL-CASCADE STRUCTURE

The design theory of all the previous structures are used in the final structure of Fig. 2. The design (including Perspective) of the outer loop  $L_1$  is precisely as in all the preceding — to handle the entire  $T(P)$  for  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$  and only the  $P_{ij}$  for  $\omega \geq \omega_{x1}$ . It is very helpful to use a specific example.

Design Example 5. Fig. 2 with  $P_{ij} = k_{ij}/s$  for  $i=3,4$ ,  $j=1-3$ , and  $ij = 11,22$ .  $P_{12} = k_{12}A/s(s+A)$ ,  $P_{21} = k_{21}(s+Z)/Zs(s^2+Bs+C)$ .

Uncertainties (all independent):  $k_{11}, k_{21} \in [4,40]$  ;  $k_{12}, k_{22} \in [25,750]$ ,  $k_{31}, k_{41} \in [4,20]$  ;  $k_{32}, k_{42} \in [5,40]$  ;  $k_{33}, k_{43} \in [5,75]$  ;  $z, A \in [1,2]$  ;  $B \in [0,1]$  ,  $C \in [.04,1]$ .

Specifications: (1a) same as for Ex. 4, Figs. 20a,b;  $\gamma_1 = 2.3$  db.

Design. For  $\omega < \omega_{x1}$ ,  $L_1$  handles  $T(P)$  but for  $\omega > \omega_{x1}$ , it handles only  $U(P_{11})$ , with notation

$$L_1^1 = \frac{P_1^1 G_1}{1 + H_{30} + H_{20}} \quad , \quad H_3 = P_{33} G_{33} + P_{43} G_{43} \quad ,$$

$$H_2 = P_{43} P_{42} G_{42} + P_{33} P_{32} G_{32} + P_{22} G_{22} + P_{12} G_{12} \quad , \quad (33a-d)$$

$$P^1 = P_{430} P_{420} P_{41} + P_{330} P_{320} P_{31} + P_{220} P_{21} + P_{120} P_{11} \quad .$$

The next stage is the design of  $G_{i2}$  to handle  $U(P_{i2})$  ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$  letting  $P_{ij}$  (for  $j > 2$ ) =  $P_{ij0}$  and  $P_{i1} = P_{i1x}$  , the sub-x denoting maximum values, i.e. at  $k_{i1} = b_{i1}$  . If the first approach of Section 5 is used, take  $G_{i2} = P_{i1x} G_2$  , giving

$$L_1^2 = \frac{L_2^2 G_1 / G_2}{1 + L_2^2} \quad , \quad L_2^2 = \frac{G_2 P^2}{1 + H_{30}} \quad ,$$

$$P^2 = P^1 \quad (\text{at } P_{i1} = P_{i1x} \quad , \quad P_{ij} = P_{ij0} \quad \text{for } j > 2) \quad . \quad (34a-c)$$

As in (28b), this is analogous to the first inner loop problem in cascade design resulting in bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  on  $L_{20}^2$  , whose design determines all the  $G_{i2}$  . Other options for the design of the  $G_{i2}$  are considered later. Next, consider  $G_{33}$  ,  $G_{43}$  in  $H_3$  of (33b). The two methods of Section 5 are available. In the first,  $G_{i3} = P_{i2x} P_{i1x} G_3$  for  $i = 3, 4$  and all  $P_{ij} = P_{ijx}$  except for  $ij = 33, 43$  giving

$$L_1^3 = \frac{L_2^3 G_1 / G_2}{1 + L_2^3} \quad , \quad L_2^3 = \frac{G_2 (P_{34e} + P_{bx})}{1 + G_3 P_{34e}}$$

$$P_{34e} = P_{43} P_{42x} P_{41x} + P_{33} P_{32x} P_{31x} = \lambda_3 P_{34e0} \quad , \quad (35a-e)$$

$$P_{bx} = P_{22x} P_{21x} + P_{12x} P_{11x} \quad , \quad L_3 = G_3 P_{34e} \quad .$$

$L_{30} = G_3 P_{34e0}$  must be designed so that  $L_2^3$  satisfies  $B_2(\omega)$  previously obtained on  $L_{20}^2$  in which  $U(P_{43}, P_{33})$  was ignored. Consider Fig. 1b with its  $G_1 = G_2$  here, its  $G_2 = G_3$  here,  $P_{1b} = 1$  ,  $P_{1c} = P_{bx}$  ,  $P_{2c} = P_{34e}$

and all others zero. The design problem for  $G_2$  (there) so that  $U(P_{2c})$  ignored does not spoil the outer loop design, is exactly that of  $G_3$  here. Bode plots of the  $L_{i0}$  including Design Perspective are shown in Fig. 21a.  $L_{20}^*$  is  $L_{20}$  for the case the  $G_{i3} = 0$ . The extra cost is, of course, in bandwidth and in the sensor noise effect, as seen in Fig. 21b.

Suppose the second approach in Section 5 is used for  $G_{33}$ ,  $G_{43}$  with  $G_{33}$  to be economized. Let

$$G_{43}P_{32}P_{31x} - G_{33}P_{42x}P_{41x} = \gamma P_{32x}P_{31x} \quad (36)$$

$P_{43} = P_{430}$  and  $P_{ij} = P_{ijx}$  except  $ij = 33, 43$  giving the new

$$L_1^3 = \frac{L_2^3 G_1 / G_2}{1 + L_2^3}, \quad L_2^3 = \frac{G_2 (P_{3e}^3 + P_{bx}^3)}{(1 + L_{40})(1 + L_3^3)}, \quad (37a-e)$$

$$L_3^3 = \frac{G_{33} P_{3e}^3}{1 + L_{40}}, \quad P_{3e}^3 = P_{34e} \quad (\text{at } P_{43} = P_{430}), \quad L_{40} = \gamma P_{430}$$

The difference between this and (35) is that  $L_3^3$  need handle only  $U(P_{3e}) < U(P_{34e})$ , but otherwise the design philosophy is the same, giving bounds  $B_3(\omega)$  on  $L_{30}^3$ . The final step is to design  $\gamma(j\omega)$  to handle  $U(P_{43})$ . In (37), replace  $P_{430}$  by  $P_{43}$  and  $L_{40}$  must be designed so that  $L_3^4 = G_{33} P_{3e}^4 / (1 + L_{40})$  with  $P_{3e}^4 = P_{3e}^3$  (with  $P_{430}$  replaced by  $P_{43}$ ) satisfies  $B_3(\omega)$  despite  $U(P_{43})$ , previously ignored. This is again analogous to the first inner loop problem of Sections 3,4. Of course  $\alpha$  may be used to trade-off between  $G_{33}$  and  $G_{43}$ , as in Section 5, Figs. 21,22.

Other Design Options. Approach 1 was used in the design of the  $G_{i2}$ , but combinations of 1 and 2 are possible. For example, if  $G_{22}$  is to be economized while the other 3 are to be of the same order of magnitude, let

$$G_{12}P_{21x} - G_{22}P_{11x} = v(j\omega)P_{21x}, \quad G_{12}P_{11x} = G_{12}P_{11x} \quad \text{for } i = 3, 4. \quad (38a,b)$$

In the design of  $G_{22}$ , i.e. in  $P^2$  below, only  $U(P_{22})$  is considered as the  $P_{11}$  are all set at  $P_{11x}$ , and the balance of the  $P_{ij}$  are set at  $P_{ijo}$ . This gives (in place of 34a-c where  $U(\text{all } P_{i2})$  were considered),

$$L_1^2 = \frac{G_1 P_{21x} L_2^2 / G_{22}}{1 + L_2^2}, \quad L_2^2 = \frac{G_{22} P^2}{P_{21x} (1 + H_{30} + v P_{2b}^2)}, \quad (39a-c)$$

$$P_{2b}^2 = (P_{430} P_{420} P_{41x} + P_{330} P_{320} P_{31x} + P_{120} P_{11x}) / P_{11x}$$

The design of  $L_{20}^2$  is obviously of the same form as in (34a-c), giving the bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  on  $L_{20}^2$ , etc. The next step is to design  $v(j\omega)$  to handle  $U(P_{i2})$ ,  $i = 1, 3, 4$ . The  $P_{2io}$  for  $i = 1, 3, 4$  are replaced by  $P_{2i}$ ,  $P_{22}$  by  $P_{22x}$ , giving

$$L_2^3 = \frac{G_{22} P^3}{P_{21x} (1 + H_{30}) (1 + L_3^3)}, \quad L_3^3 = \frac{v P_{2b}^3}{1 + H_{30}}, \quad (40a-d)$$

$$P^3 = P_{2b}^3 + P_{21x} P_{22x}, \quad P_{2b}^3 = \lambda_3 P_{2b}^2 = P_{11x} P_{12} + P_{31x} P_{32} P_{330} + P_{41x} P_{42} P_{430}$$

The similarity between (35) and (40) is obvious, so the design philosophy for  $L_{30}^3$  is similar to that for  $L_{30}$  of (35), even though the latter deals with the  $G_{13}$ . The next step is the design of the  $G_{13}$ , whose options have already been discussed.

As there are four  $G_{i2}$ , there are several more options besides the above two. The most extreme is to apply the second approach of Section 5 to each, say in the order  $i = 2, 1, 3, 4$  by letting

$$P_{21x} G_{12} - P_{11x} G_{22} = \gamma_1 P_{21x}, \quad P_{11x} G_{32} - P_{31x} G_{12} = \gamma_3 P_{11x}, \quad (41a-c)$$

$$P_{31x} G_{42} - P_{41x} G_{32} = \gamma_4 P_{31x}$$

Just as in (39), only  $U(P_{22})$  is handled by  $L_2^2$ , as  $P^2$  here is the same as in (39). But in the next step, only  $U(P_{i2})$  is considered, so  $L_2^3$ ,  $P^3$



of (40a) are here replaced by

$$L_2^3 = \frac{G_{22}P^3 = G_{22}(P_{1e}^3 + P_{21x}P_{22x})}{P_{21x}(1+H_{30}+E_2^3)(1+L_3^3)},$$

$$E_2^3 = \gamma_4 P_{420}P_{430} + \gamma_3 P_m^3, \quad P_m^3 = P_{31x}P_{320}P_{330} + P_{41x}P_{420}P_{430} \quad (42a-d)$$

$$L_3^3 = \frac{\gamma_1 P_{1e}^3}{P_{11x}(1+H_{30}+E_2^3)} = \frac{\gamma_1 (P_{11x}P_{12} + P_{31x}P_{320}P_{330} + P_{41x}P_{420}P_{430})}{P_{11x}(1+H_{30}+E_2^3)}$$

The similarity of (42a) to (35b) is obvious, even though the elements involved are quite different. Hence the same design philosophy is applicable, giving bounds  $B_3(\omega)$  on  $L_{30}^3$  and its design.

Next,  $\gamma_3$  is designed to handle  $U(P_{32})$ , so  $P_{12}$  is replaced by  $P_{12x}$ ,  $P_{320}$  by  $P_{32}$ , and  $L_3^3$  in (42) is replaced by

$$L_3^4 = \frac{\gamma_1 P_{1e}^4 = \gamma_1 (P_m^4 + P_{11x}P_{12x})}{P_{11x}M_{30} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma_3 P_m^4}{M_{30}}\right)}, \quad P_m^4 = P_{31x}P_{32}P_{330} + P_{41x}P_{420}P_{430}$$

$$M_{30} = 1 + H_{30} + \gamma_4 P_{420}P_{30}, \quad L_4^4 = \frac{\gamma_3 P_m^4}{D_{30}} \quad (43a-d)$$

$L_{40}^4$  must be designed so that  $L_3^4$  satisfies  $B_3(\omega)$  previously obtained on  $L_{30}^3$ . By comparing (43a) with (35b), it is seen that the design philosophy for  $L_{30}^3$  there applies to  $L_{40}^4$  here, giving  $B_4(\omega)$  on  $L_{40}^4$ , etc. The next step is to design  $\gamma_4$  to handle  $U(P_{42})$ , so  $P_{420}$  is replaced by  $P_{42}$ ,  $P_{32}$  by  $P_{32x}$ , giving

$$L_4^5 = \frac{\gamma_3 (P_{41x}P_{42}P_{430} + P_{31x}P_{32x}P_{330})}{(1+H_{30})(1+L_5^5)}, \quad L_5^5 = \frac{\gamma_4 P_{42}P_{30}}{(1+H_{30})} \quad (44a,b)$$

$L_{50}^5$  must be designed so that  $L_4^5$  satisfies  $B_4(\omega)$  and the design philosophy is obviously again that for (35).

Design Simulation. Only the simplest design of Eqs. (33,35) resulting in the  $L_{10}$  of Fig. 21a was implemented. The simulation results are shown in Figs. 22a,b.

## 7. CONCLUSIONS

Frequency response and Quantitative design provide a deep comprehension of the trade-offs between design complexity, multiple-loop use and the resulting savings in loop bandwidths and sensor noise effects. Design Perspective gives very quick but accurate estimates of the loop transmission and sensor noise effects. The designer is thus able to decide, without the need for a detailed design, which sensors and loops to use and their trade-off values (the  $\alpha_{ij}$ ). The improvement in sensor noise effects can be enormous in plants with large uncertainty.

APPENDIX

Transfer Functions for the Numerical Examples. The orders of outer loop  $L_{10}$  functions are considerably larger than those of the inner loop  $L_{10}$ ,  $i > 1$ . Part of the reason is the larger uncertainty and need to satisfy  $B_i(\omega) \forall \omega$  including the lf range. The other is that the  $L_{10}$  were obtained by means of a computer program. If the time constants  $\tau_i$  i.e. in the form  $(1 + \tau_i s)$ , are given, the data is preceded by  $\tau_i = \dots$ . If the zeros or poles are given, the notation  $z_i =$ , or  $p_i =$ , is used. Complex pair data is given as  $(\zeta_i, \omega_{ni})$  for the factor  $[1 + (2\zeta s/\omega_n) + s^2/\omega_n^2]$ . The zero  $\omega$  gain factor is given by  $K$ , the  $\infty \omega$  gain factor by  $KI$ . The numerator data is always first terminating in a semicolon,

Example 1.

$L_{10}$ :  $K = 5$ ,  $\tau_i = 1.087, 1.05, .0576, .0384, .0074, .0028, (.7, 2200)$  ;  
 $K = 1$ ,  $\tau_i = \infty, 1.954, 1.89, .164, .0265, .026, .005, 2 \times .0004,$   
 $(.35, 2600), 2 \times (.35, 22000)$  .

$L_{20}$ :  $K = .5$ ,  $z_i = 1080, 8640, 13800$  ;  $p_i = 900, 19200, (.2, 1920), 2 \times (.3, 16000)$  .

$L_{30}$ :  $K = .645$ ,  $z = 45000$  ;  $(.3, 11250), (.15, 45000), (1, 180000)$  .

Example 2.

$L_{10}$ :  $KI = (1.6)10^{10}$ ,  $z_i = 1.96, 15.8, 39.5, (.707, 3.27), (.83, 4.71)$  ;  
 $p_i = 0, 2.16, (.84, 2.8), (.56, 5.0), (.65, 19.3), (.41, 392), (.41, 398)$  .

$L_{120}$ :  $K = .14$ ,  $z_i = 800, 2000$  ;  $p = 600, (.2, 340), 2 \times (.25, 2500)$  .

$L_{130}$ :  $K = .63$ ,  $z = 6000$  ;  $(.3, 1750), 2 \times (.3, 15000)$  .

$F$  :  $KI = (1.59)10^5$ ,  $z = 5.05$  ;  $(.66, 2.79), (.45, 321)$  .

Example 3.

Case A.

$$L_{20}: K = .168, z_1 = 180, 1440, 2286; p_1 = 150, 3200, (.2, 320), 2 \times (.3, 2680).$$

$$L_{30}: K = .068, z_1 = 7000, 14400, (.4, 2250); p = 23000, (.2, 2300),$$

$$(.2, 2300), (.3, 2250), 2 \times (.3, 14000).$$

$$L_{40}: K = .068, z_1 = 36540, 75200, (.4, 11740); p = 120000, (.2, 11745),$$

$$(.2, 12000), 2 \times (.3, 73000).$$

Case B.

$$L_{30}: K = .168, z_1 = 1260, 10000, 16000; p_1 = 1050, 22400, (.2, 2240),$$

$$2 \times (.3, 18760).$$

$$L_{40}: K = .168, z_1 = 8820, 70000, 112000; p_1 = 7350, 156800, (.2, 15680),$$

$$2 \times (.3, 130900).$$

Example 4.

$$L_{10}: KI = (.171)10^7, z = 8, (.84, 1.93); p_1 = 0, 5.6, (.72, 1.78), 2 \times (.45, 40.5).$$

$$F: KI = (.186)10^5, \text{ Numerator } \sum_0^4 a_i s^i: 947.3, 764, 217.4, 29.17, 1;$$

$$\text{ Denominator } \sum_0^7 b_i s^i: (.176)10^8, (.247)10^8, (.161)10^8, (.628)10^7,$$

$$(.101)10^7, 81820, 778, 1.$$

$$L_{220} (\alpha_{22} = 5): K = .645, z = 100; (.3, 25), (.15, 100), (.1, 400).$$

$$L_{220} (\alpha_{22} = 15): K = .6, z = 100; (.3, 27), 2 \times (.4, 250).$$

$$L_{220} (\alpha_{22} = 30): K = .6, z_1 = 210, 400; p = 420, (.3, 27), 2 \times (.4, 800).$$

$$L_{x0} (\alpha_{22} = 5): K = .07, z_1 = 450, 800; p = 1600, (.2, 100), 2 \times (.35, 900).$$

Example 5.

F : K = 1 , z = 8 ; p = 2,2,3 .

L<sub>50</sub>: K = 2.2 , z<sub>1</sub> = .5 , 30 , 100 , 4200 ; p<sub>i</sub> = 0 , 0 , 20 , 45 , 1000 , 2×(.25,2800) .

L<sub>10</sub>: K = 2.2 , z<sub>1</sub> = .5 , 30 , 100 ; p<sub>i</sub> = 0 , 0 , 20 , 45 , 2×(.35,115) .

L<sub>20</sub><sup>\*</sup>: K = .59 , z = 700 ; (.2,90) , 2×(.35,2000) .

L<sub>20</sub>: K = .59 , z = 500 ; (.2,90) , 2×(.35,1250) .

L<sub>30</sub>: K = .084 ; (.4,1000) , 2×(.1,3000) .

Design Perspective: Estimates of Peak Values  $|L_{ij0}(\omega_{mi})|$  for Noncascade Designs. (Fig. 9)

First inner loop L<sub>12</sub> .  $M_{12}(\text{db}) = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\mu^2 - v^2}{v^2 \lambda_{12x}^2 - \mu^2} \right) + 1.5$

where  $(\alpha_1)_{\text{db}} = 20 \log_{10} v$  ,  $\mu = \frac{\lambda_{12x} a_a b_{11} + b_{21}}{a_a b_{11} + b_{21}}$

$\lambda_{12x} = \max \lambda_{12} = b_{12}/a_{12}$  ,

e.g. in Ex. 2, Fig. 12,  $\lambda_{12x} = 40$  ,  $v = 1$  ,  $\mu = 10$  , gives  $M_{12} \approx -10 \text{ db}$  .

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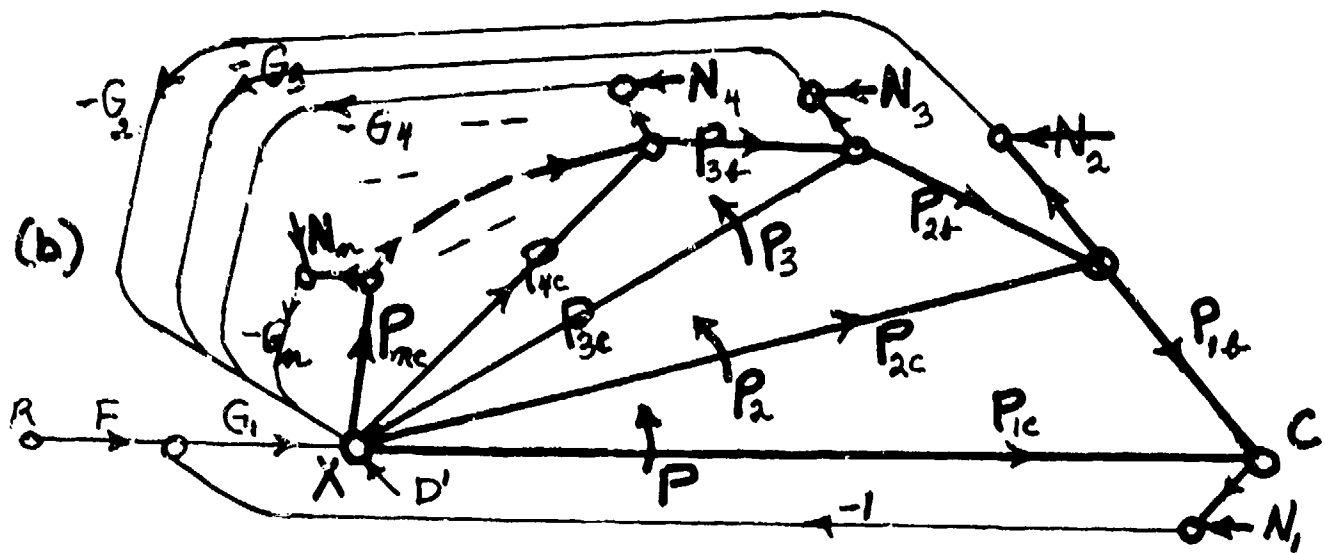
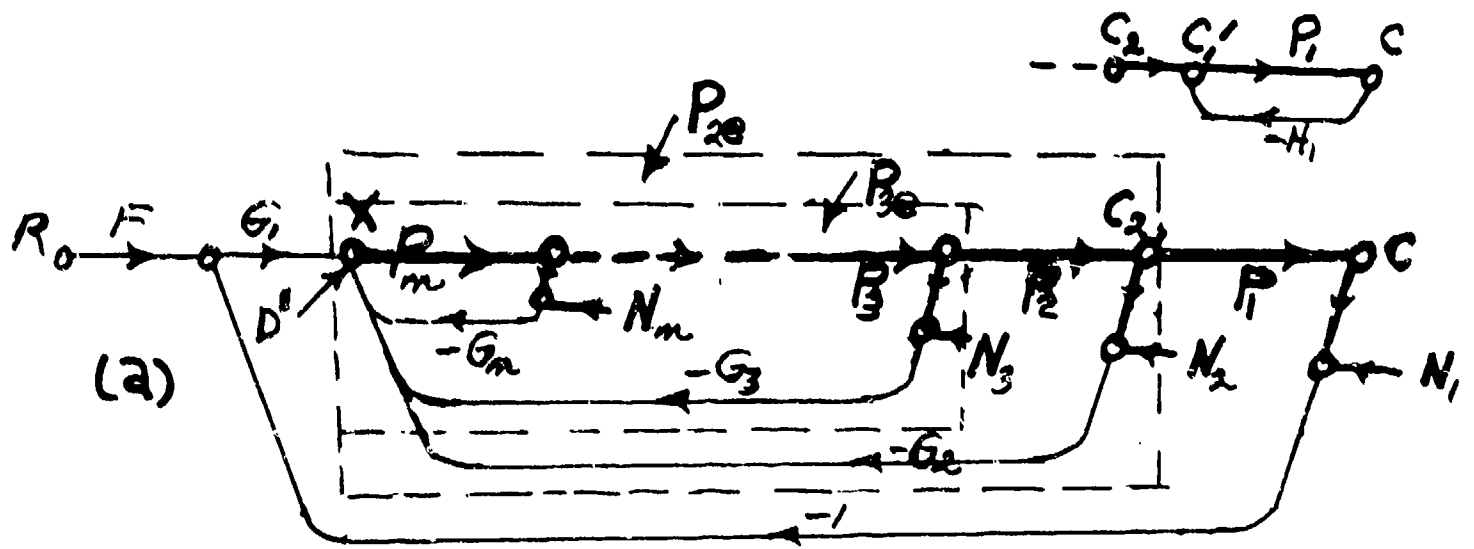


Figure 1. The general cascade and triangular multiple-loop feedback structures. Darker lines indicate constrained plant and sensor noise.

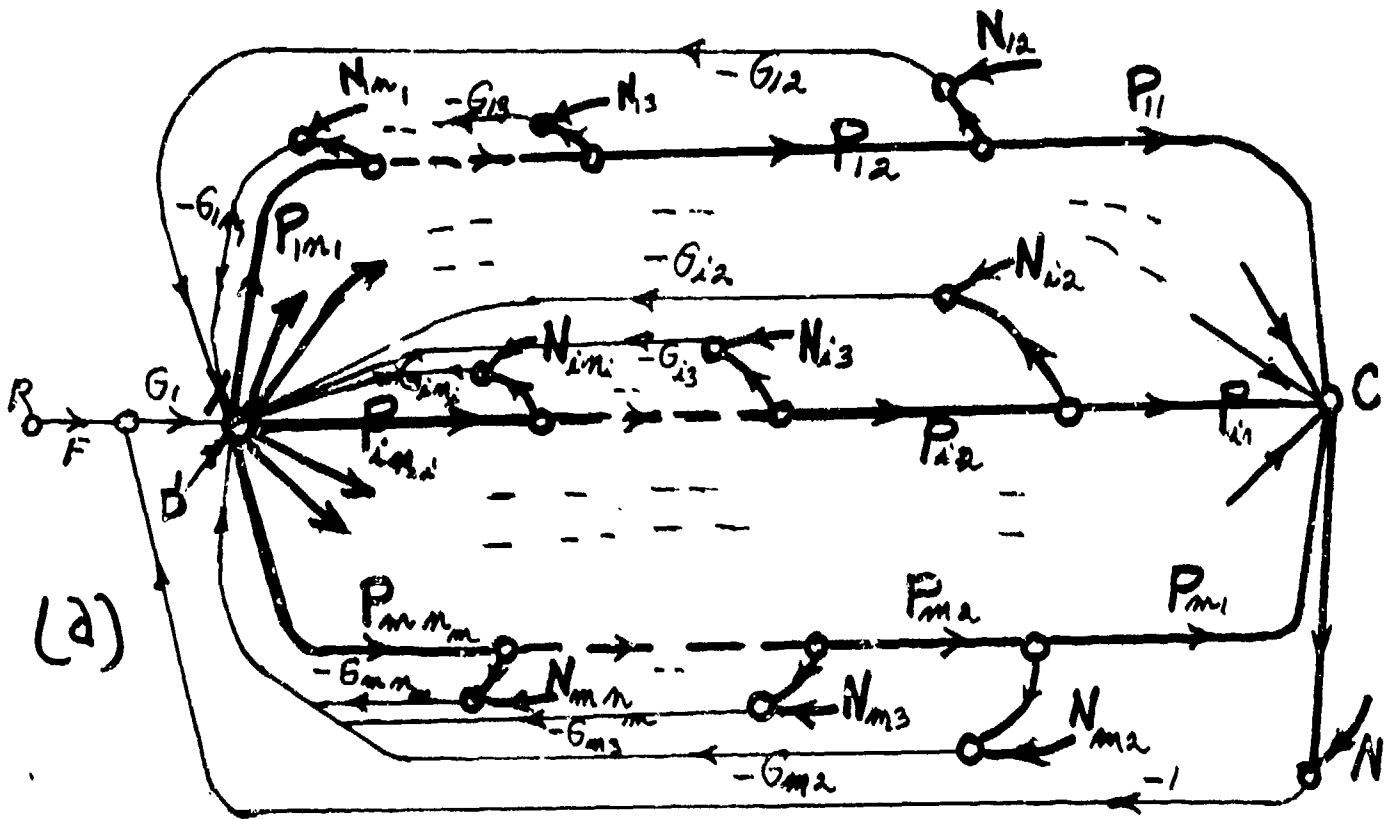


Figure 2a. The parallel-cascade structure.

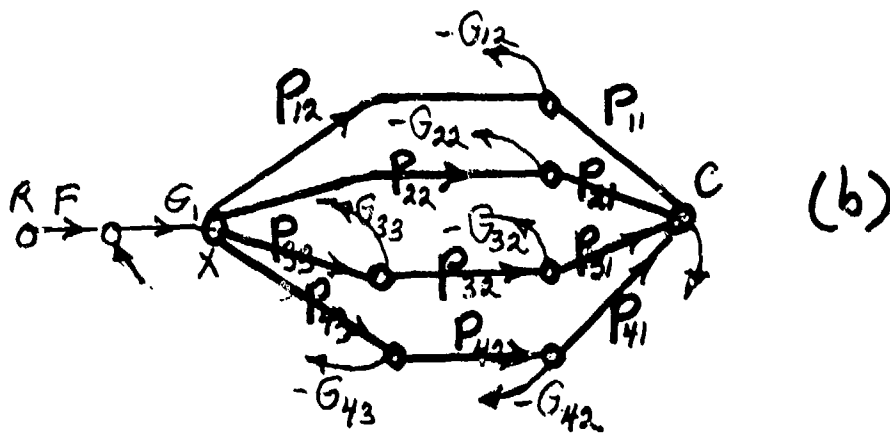


Figure 2b. Structure for Example 5.



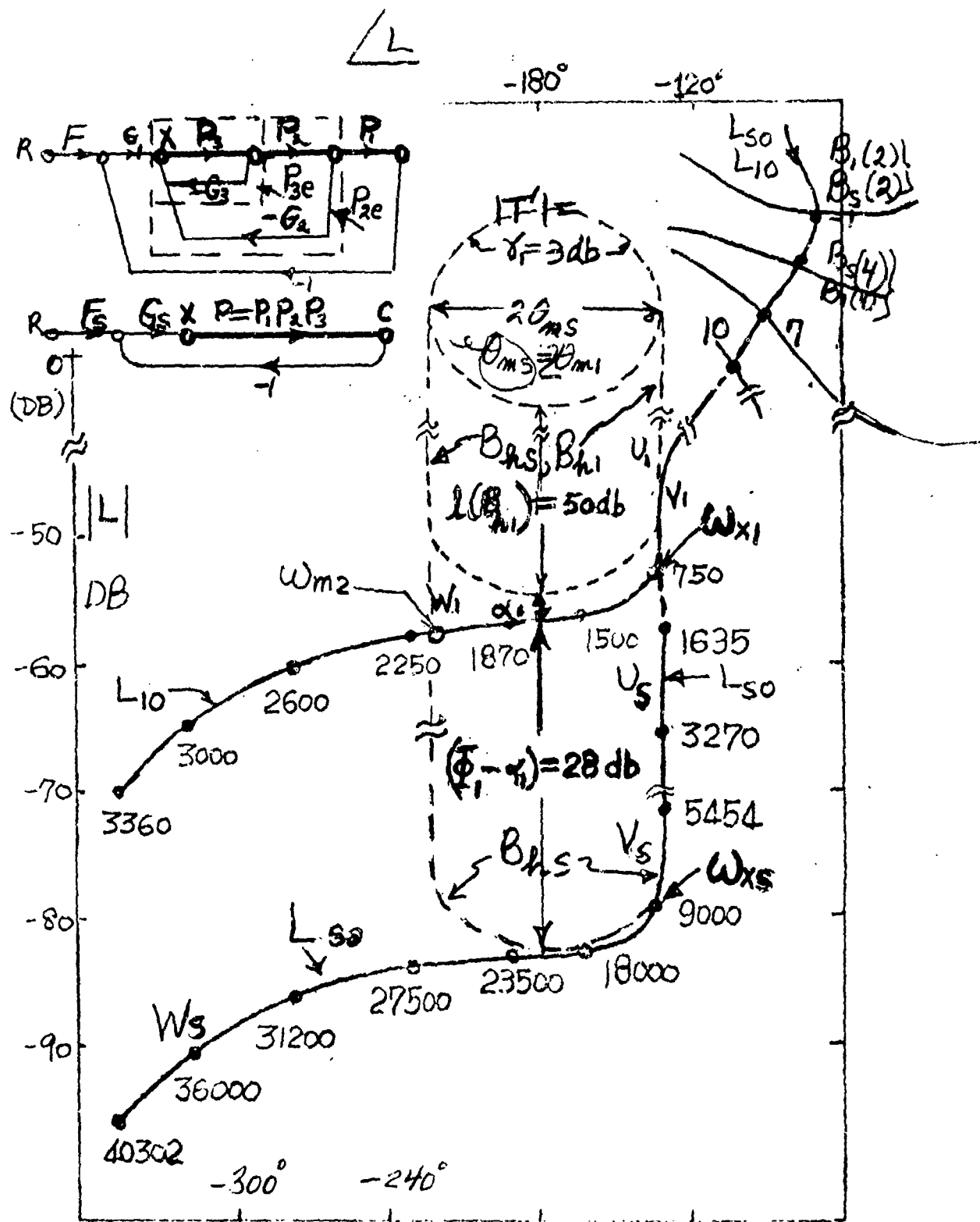


Figure 3. Example 1. Bounds  $B_s(\omega)$ ,  $B_1(\omega)$  on  $L_{50}$ ,  $L_{10}$  and designs on Nichols chart.

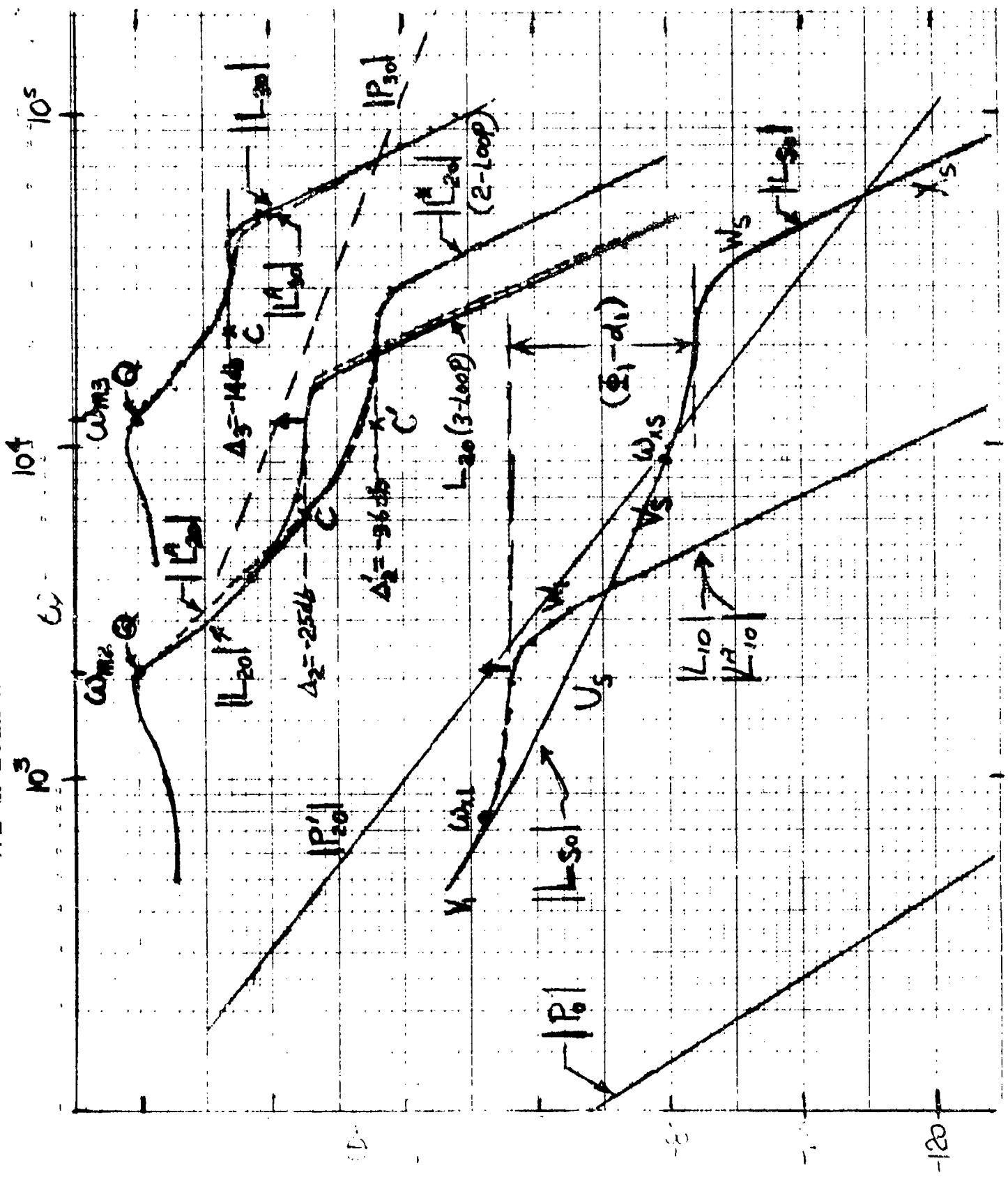


Figure 4. Example 1. Comparison of Design Perspective (dashed) and exact designs.

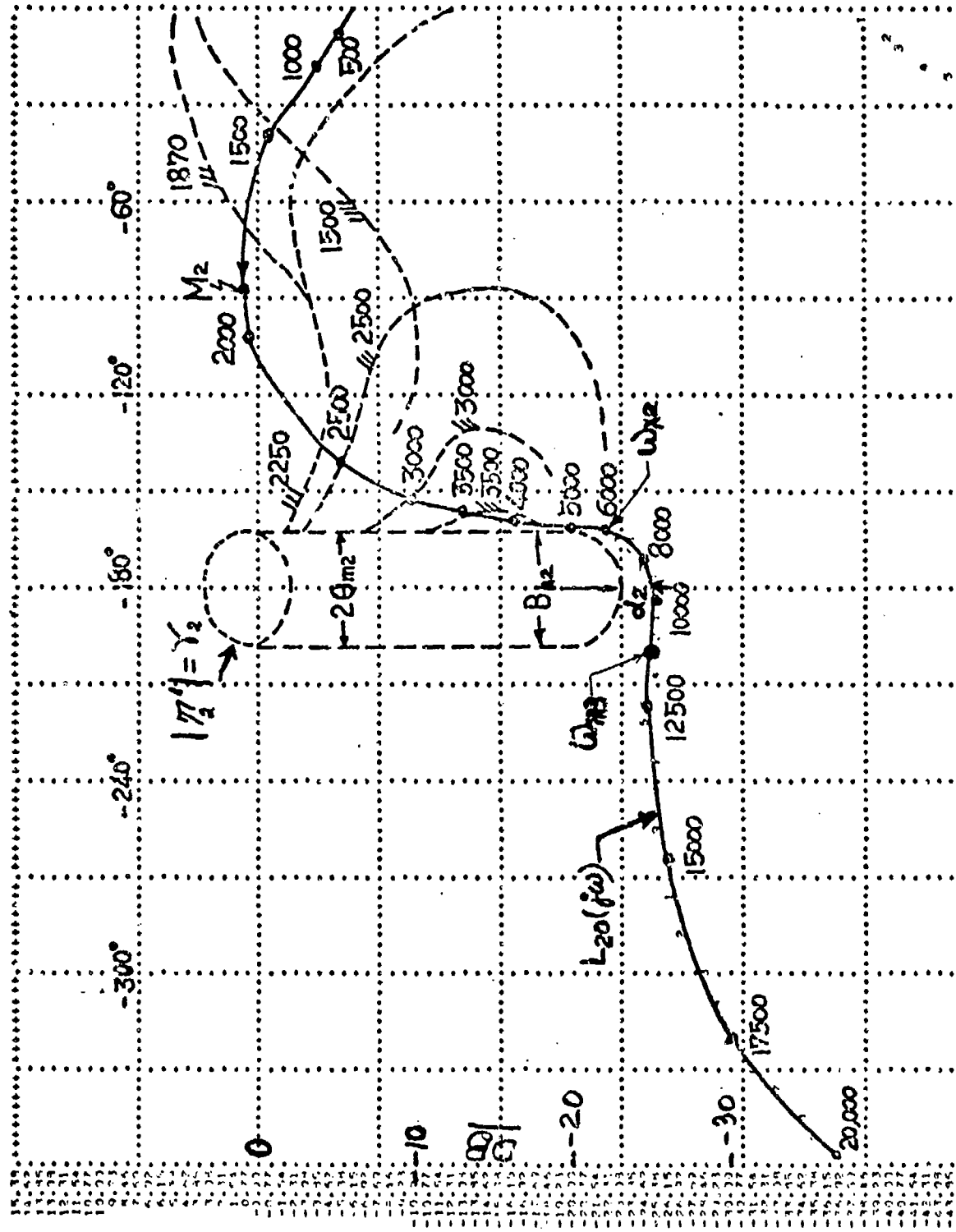


Figure 5a. Example 1. Bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  on  $L_{20}$  and exact design on Nichols chart.

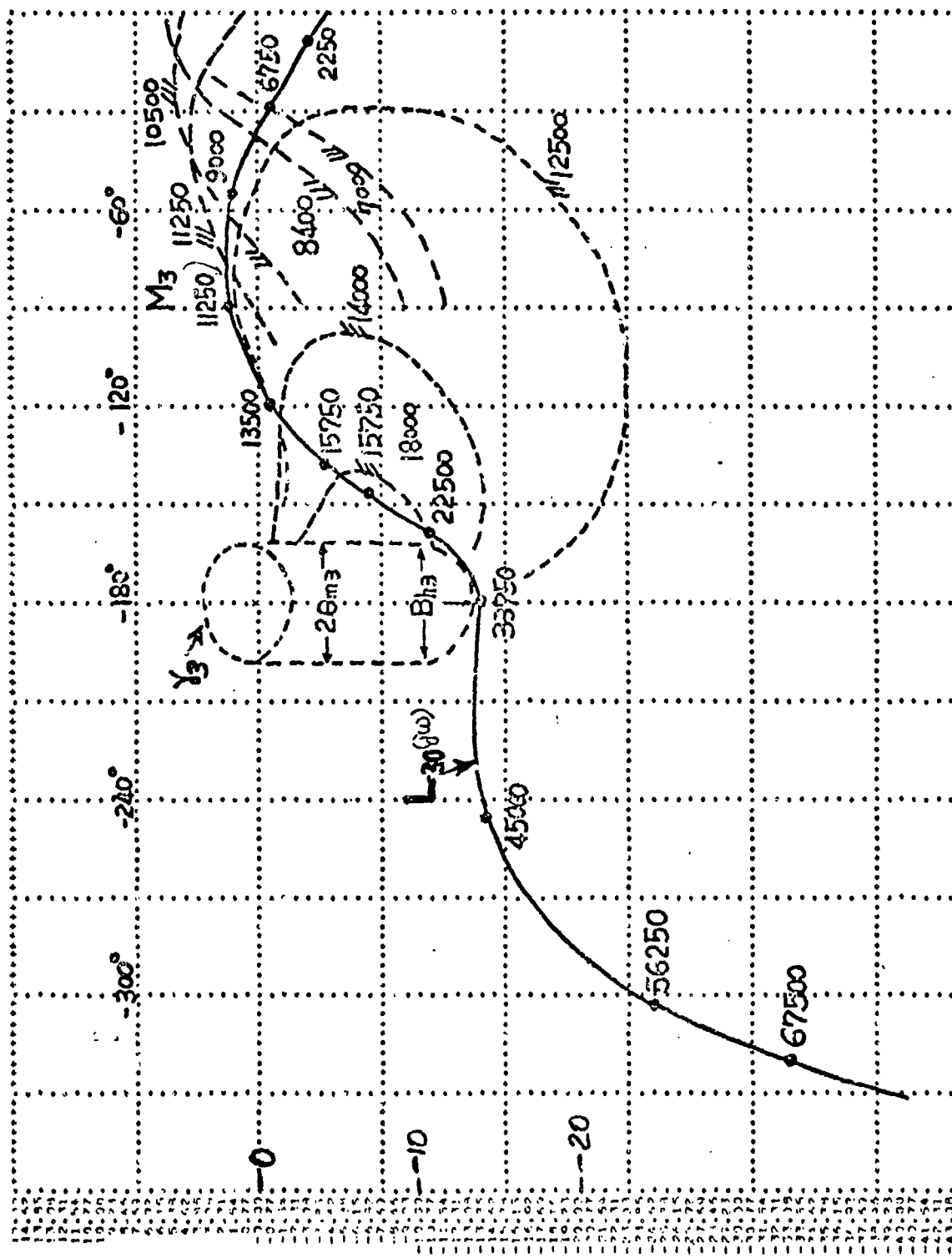


Figure 5b. Example 1. Bounds  $B_3(\omega)$  on  $L_{30}$  and exact design on Nichols chart.

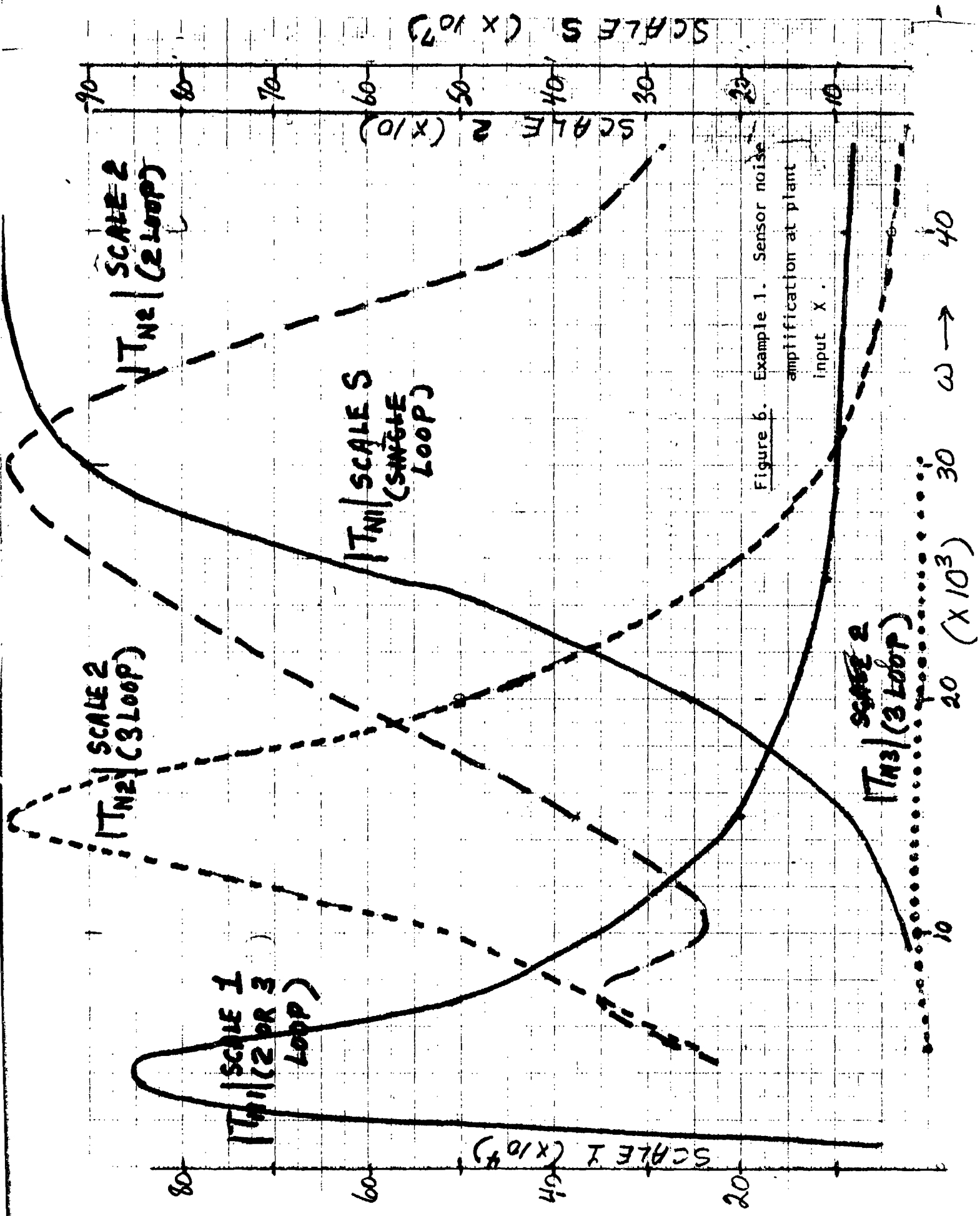


Figure 6. Example 1. Sensor noise amplification at plant input  $x$ .

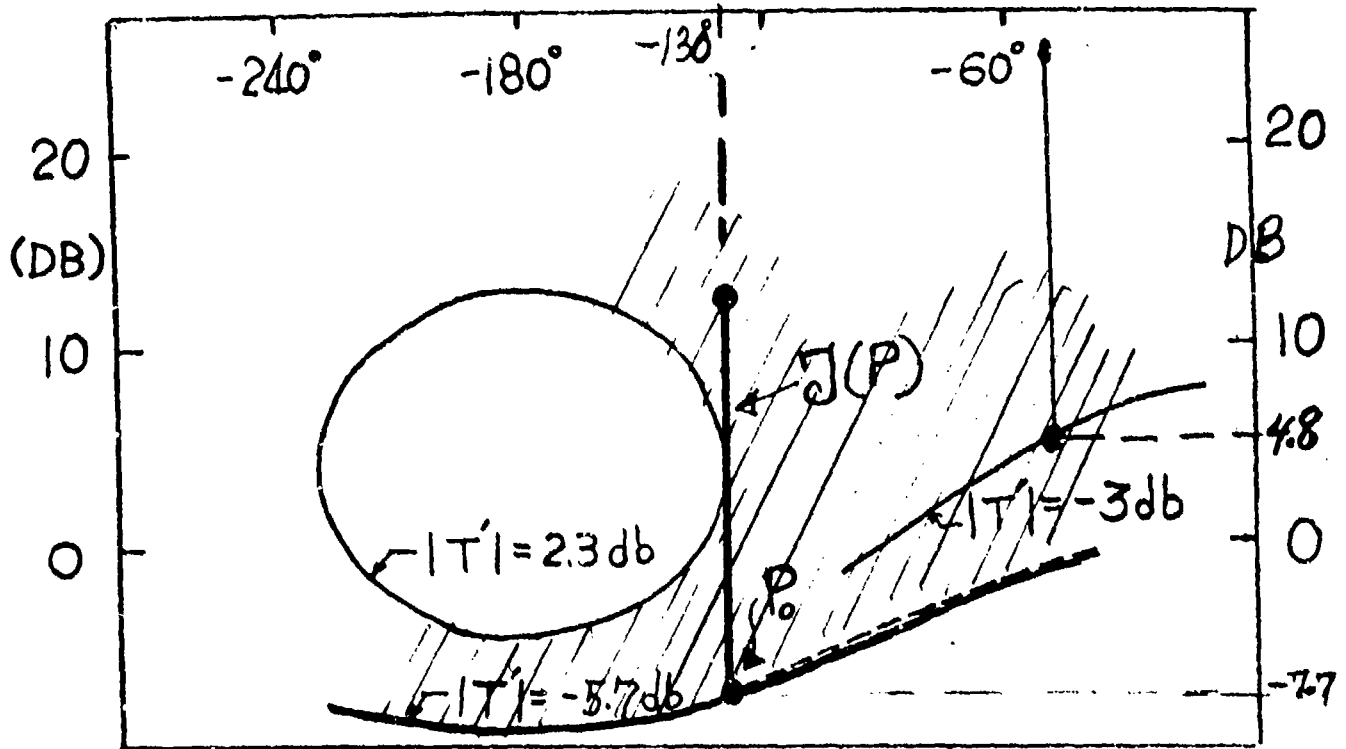


Figure 7a. The minor saving at low frequencies due to multiple-loop design.

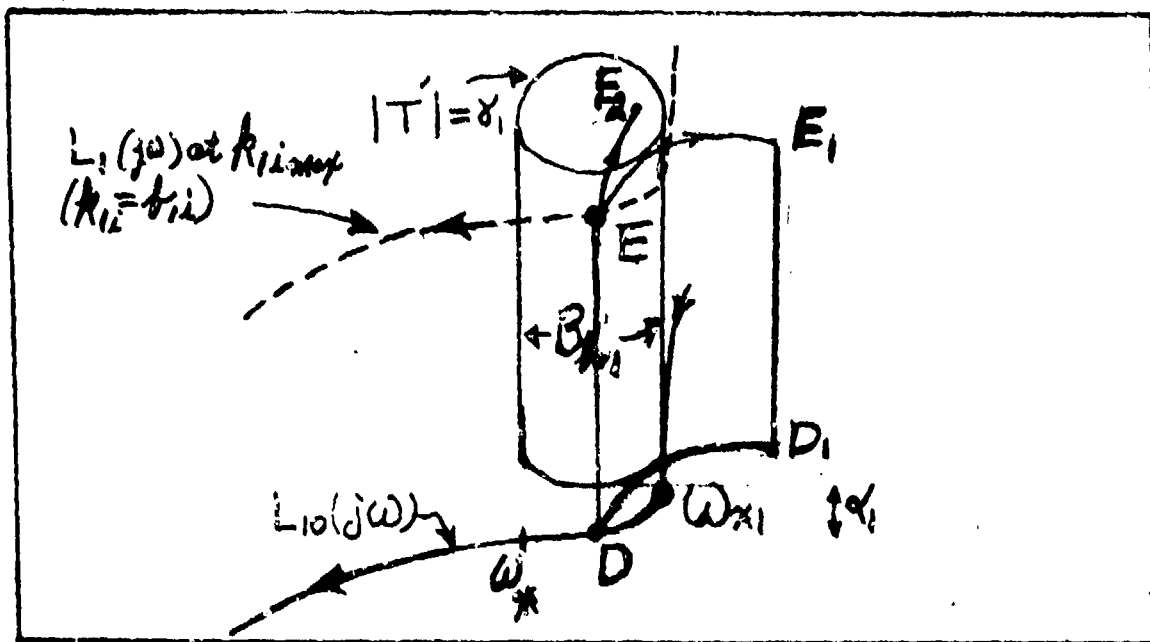


Figure 7b. Need for overdiseign of outer loop in  $(\omega_{x1}, \omega_x)$  - cascade structure.

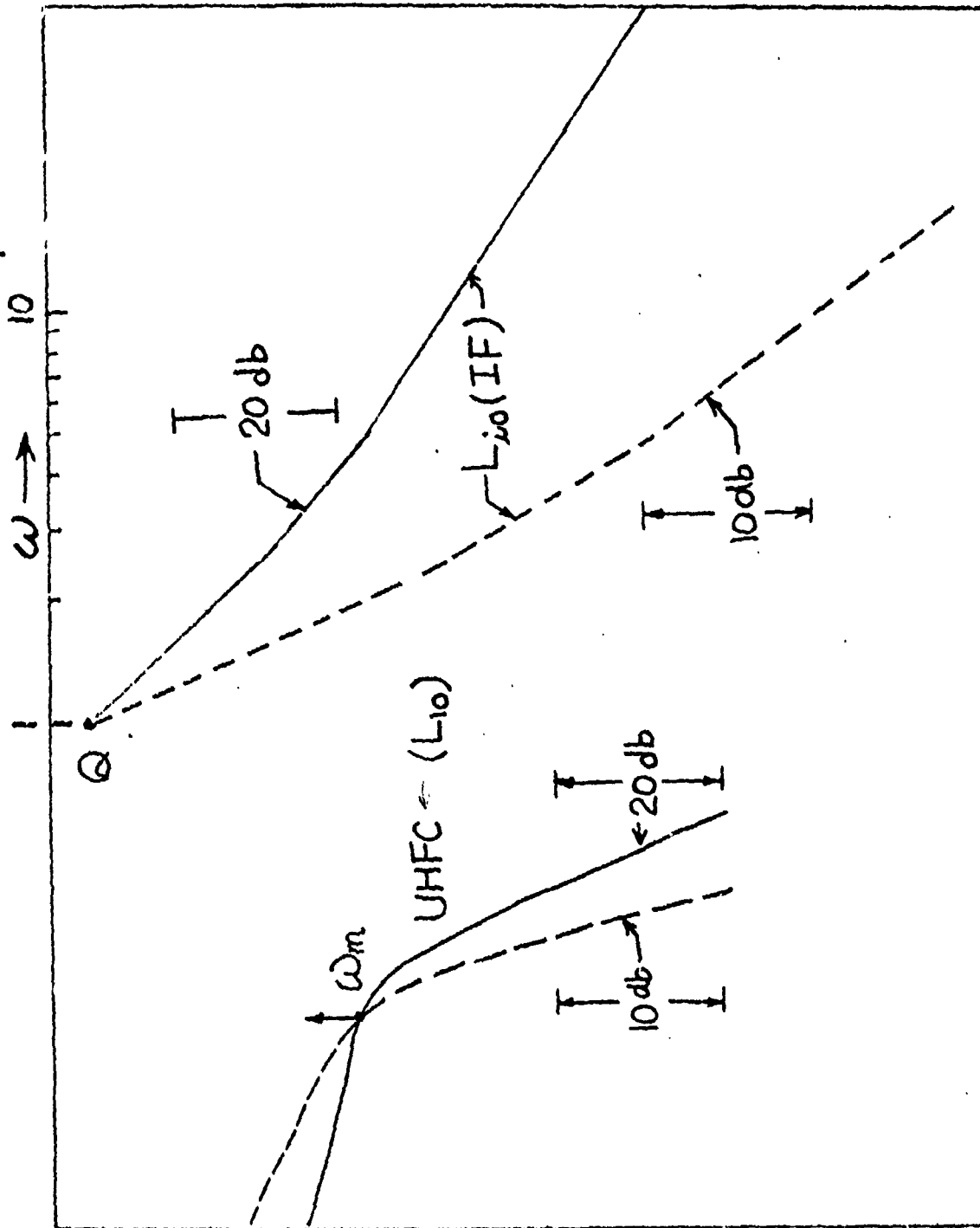


Figure 8a. Design Perspective: Universal outer loop high frequency (UHFC) and intermediate frequency (IF) characteristics.

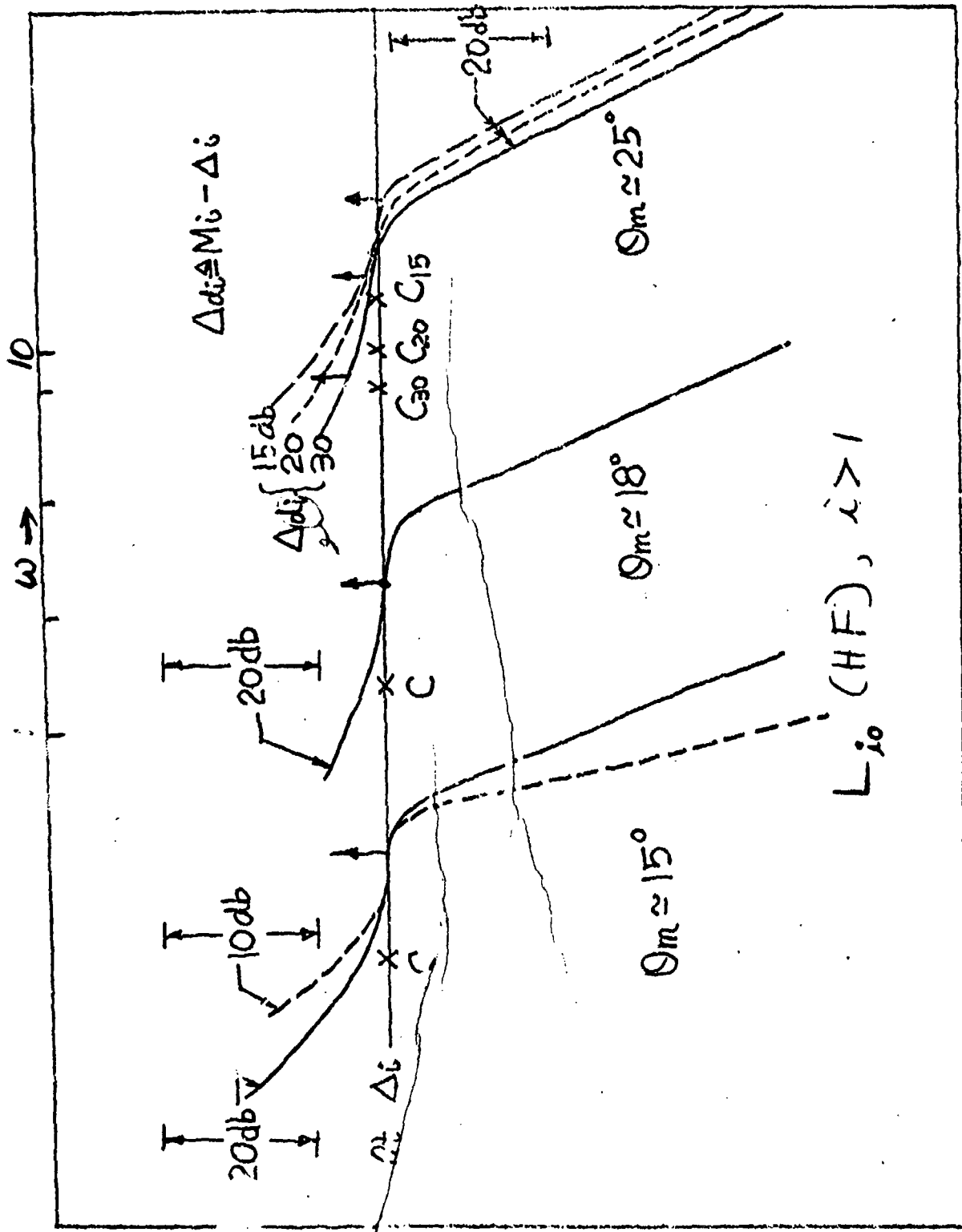


Figure 8b. UHFC for inner loop.



$M_i$  peak value (db)

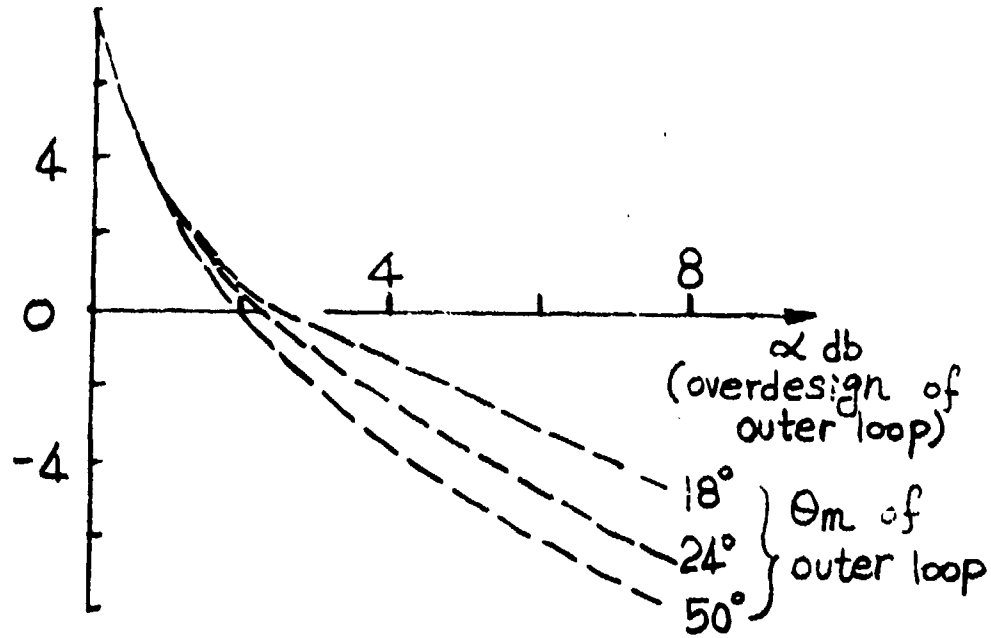


Figure 8c. Peak values  $M_i$  of  $|L_{i0}(j\omega)|$  (at  $\omega_{mi}$ ) - Cascade structure.

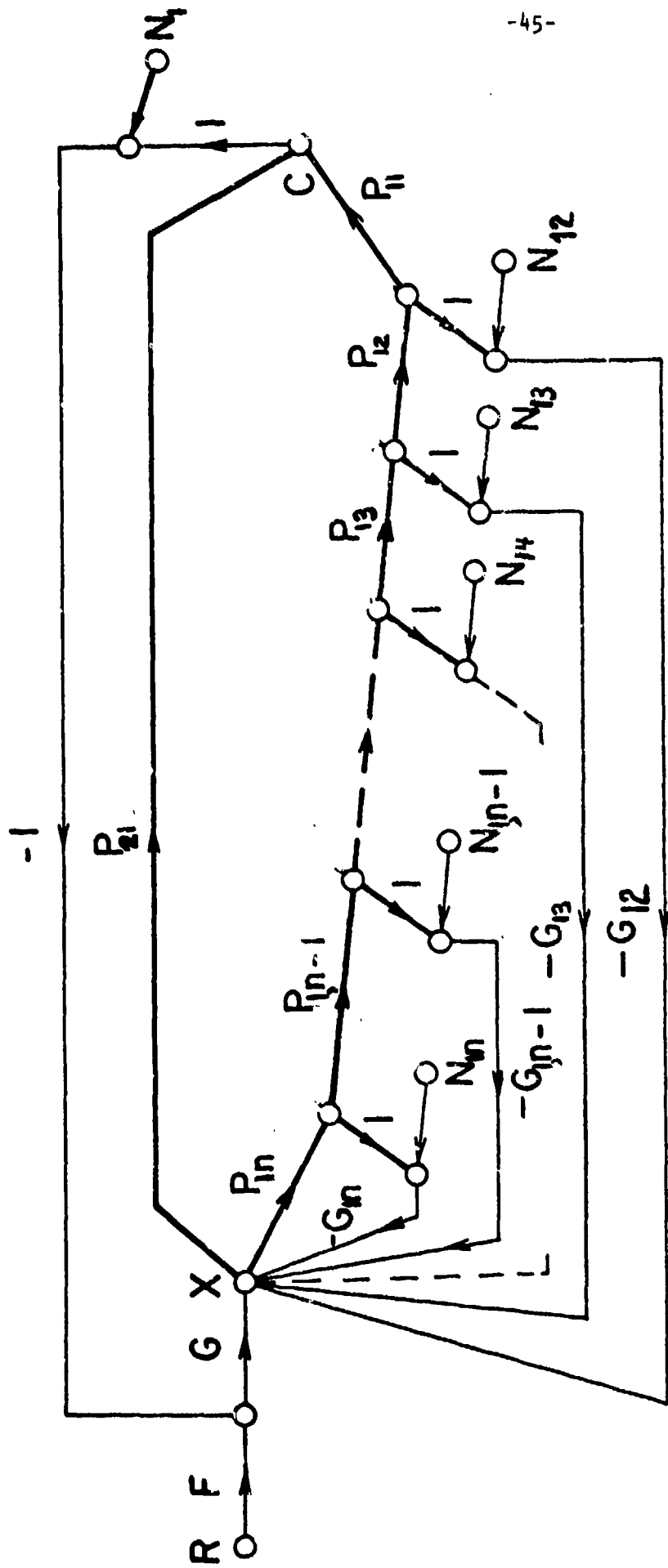


Figure 9. Example 2. Special case of Figure 1b. ( $P_a = P_{11}P_{12}\dots P_{1n}$ )

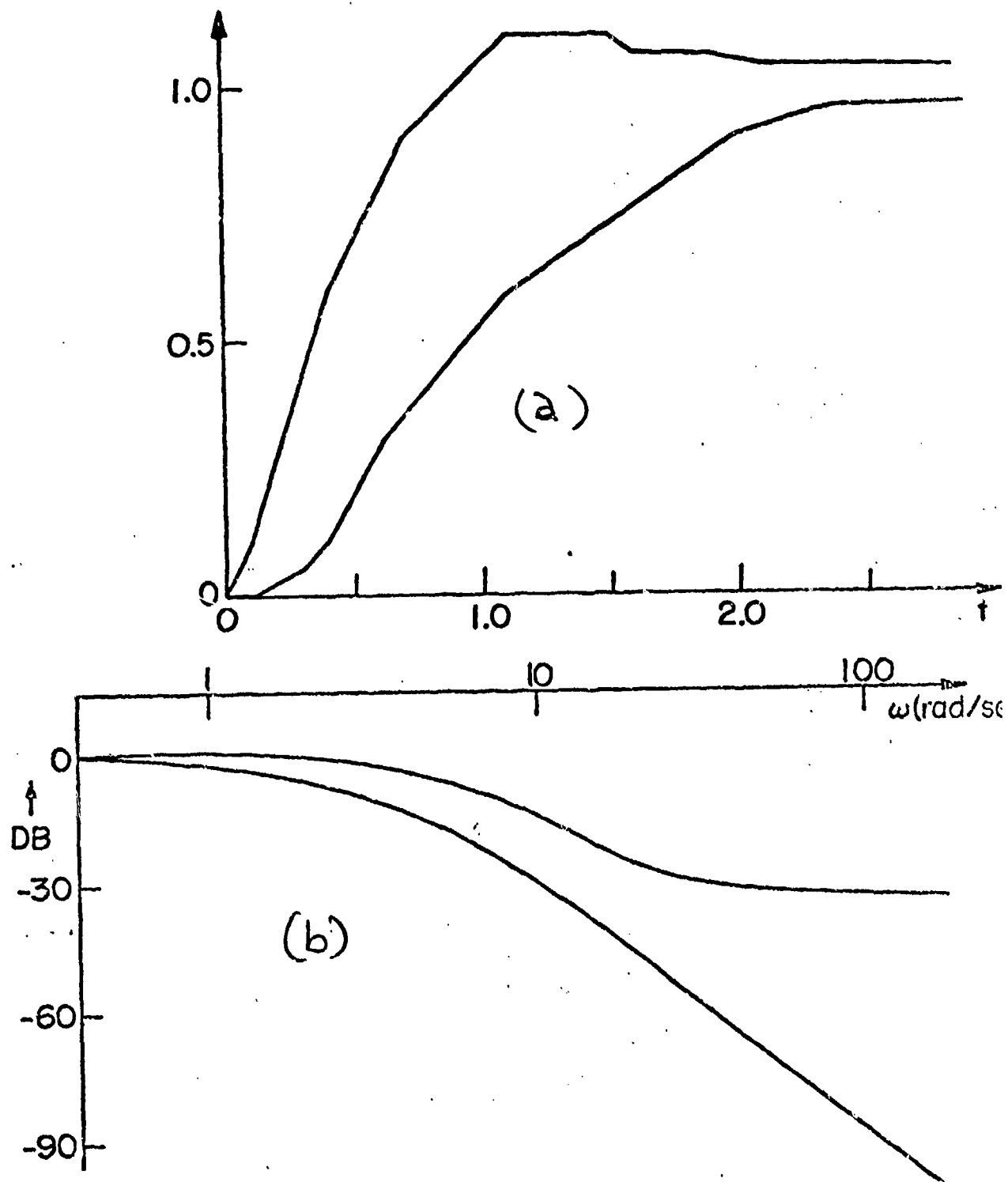


Figure 10a. Example 2. Specified time-domain tolerances on step response.

Figure 10b. Derived "equivalent"  $\omega$ -domain tolerances.

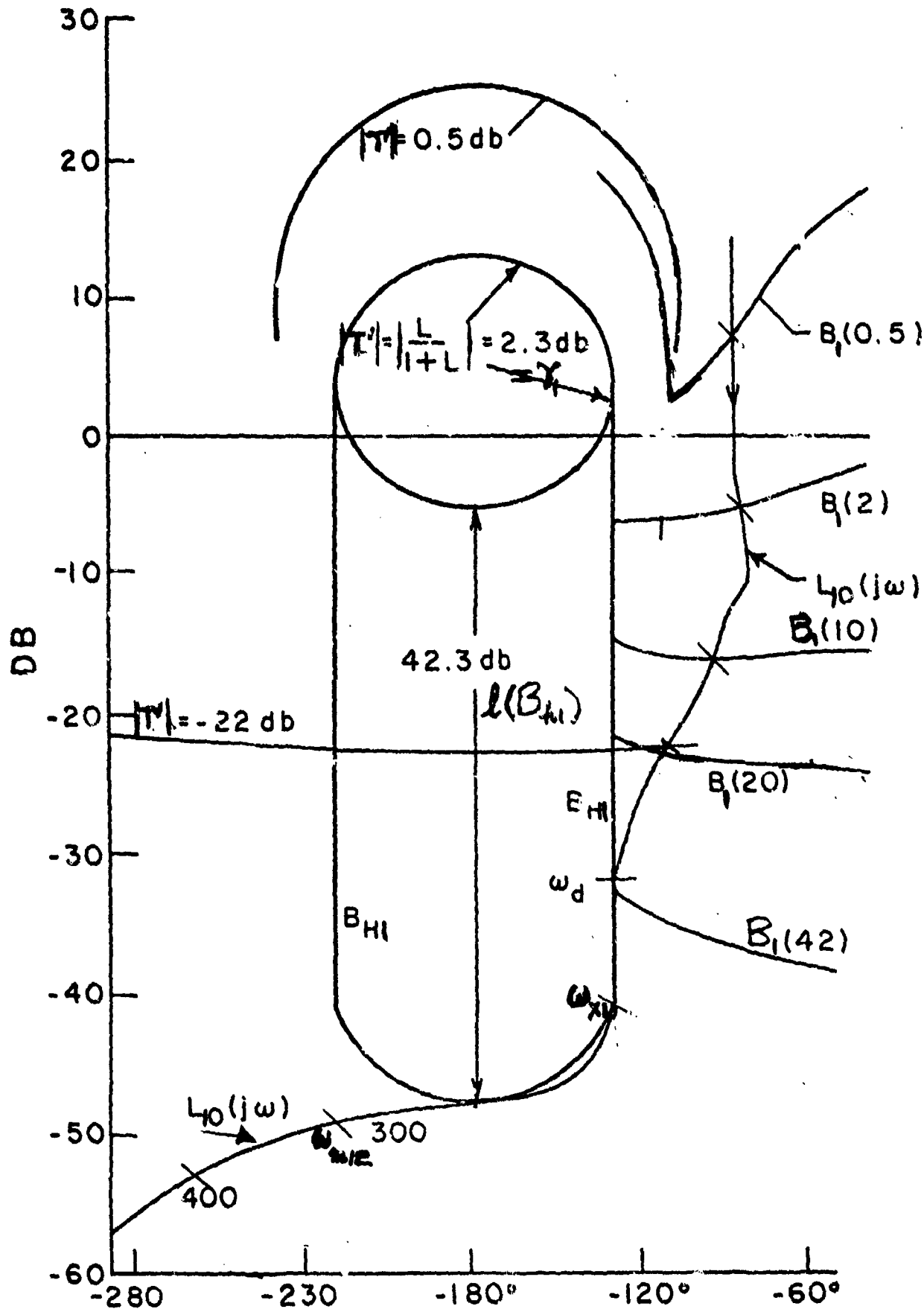


Figure 11a. Example 2. Bounds  $B_1(\omega)$  on  $L_{10}$  on Nichols chart.

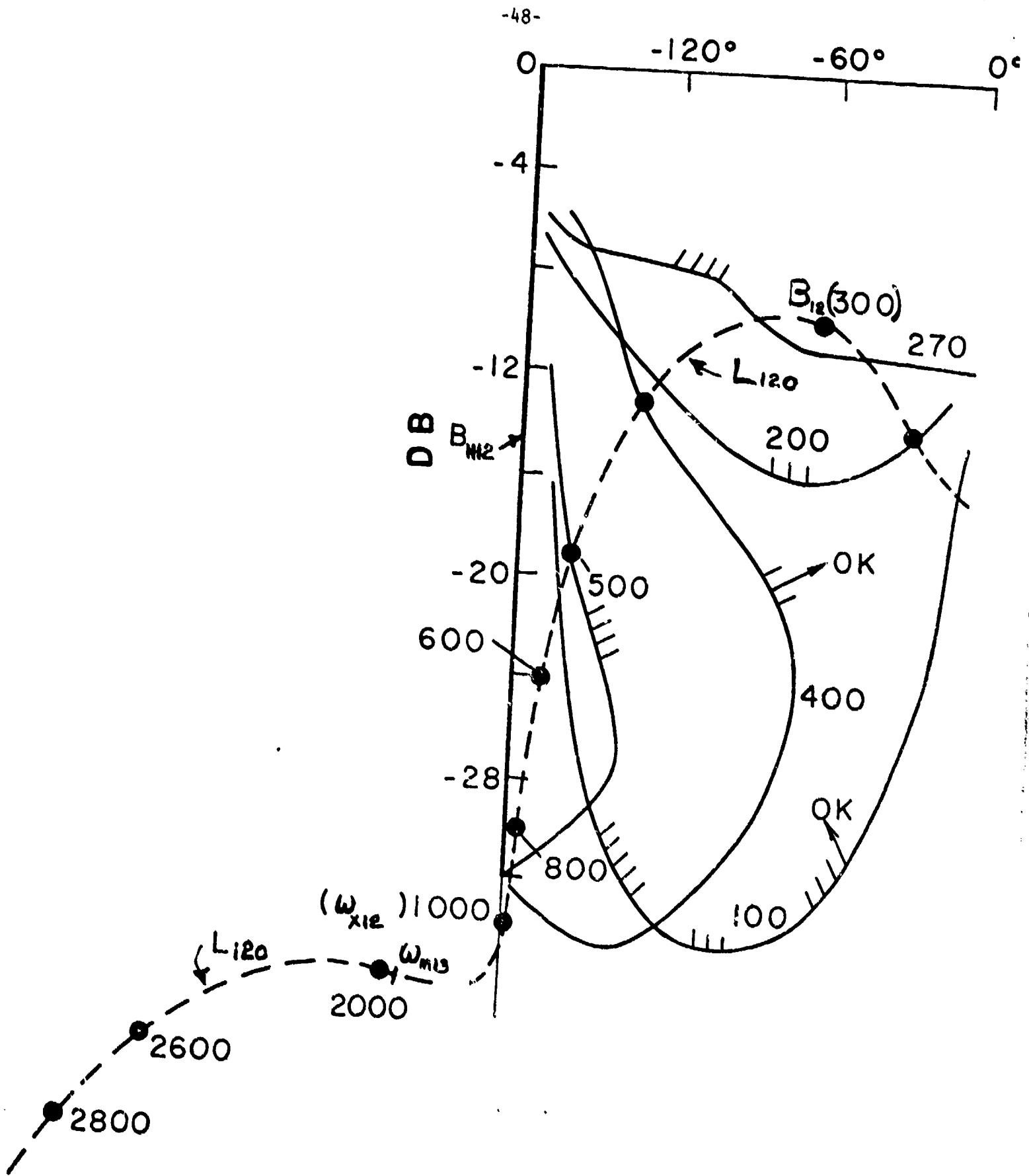


Figure 11b. Example 2. Bounds  $B_{12}(\omega)$  on  $L_{120}$

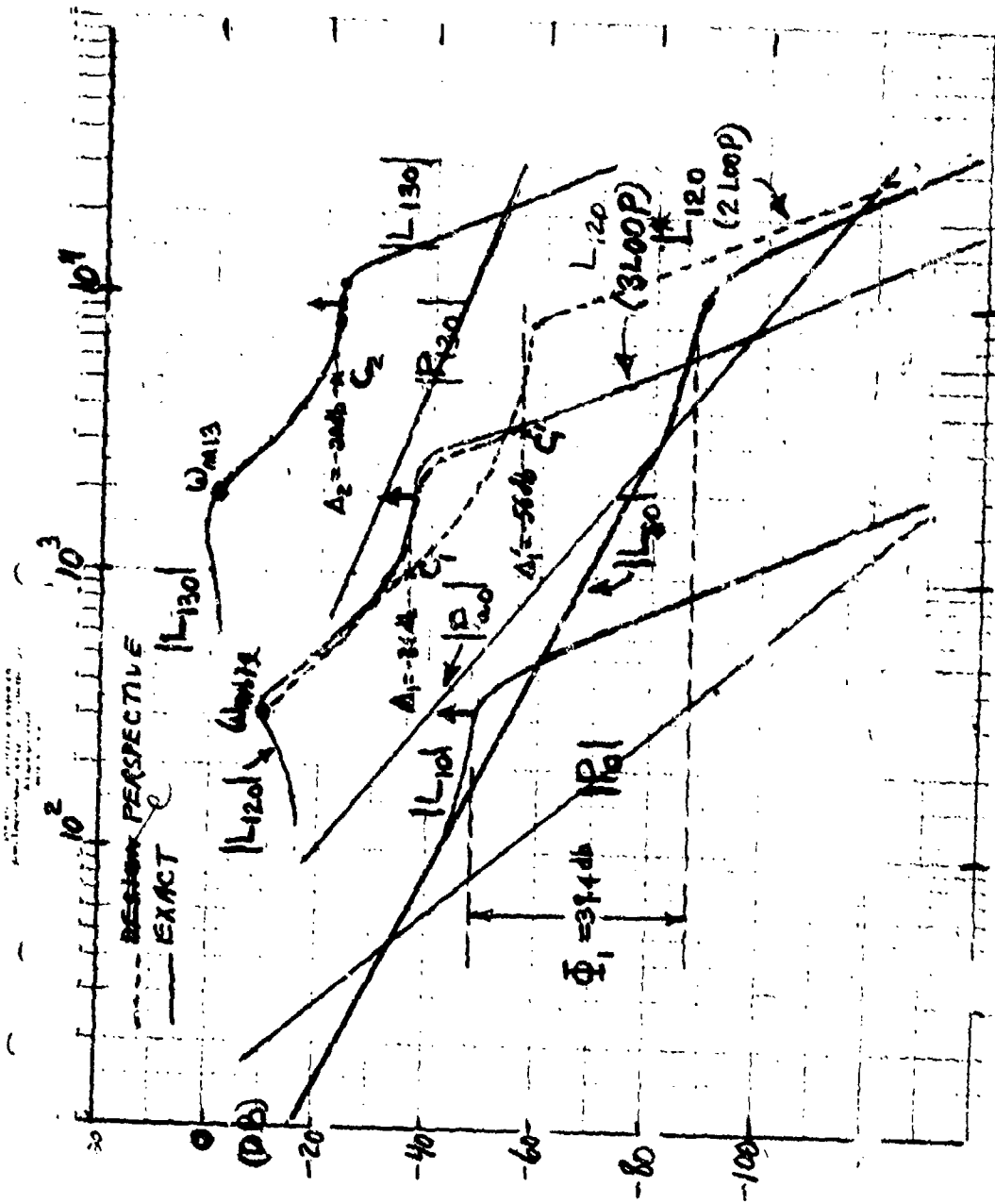


Figure 12. Example 2. Design perspective (dashed) and exact design.

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$\left| \frac{x}{N_1} \right|^2$  (SINGLE LOOP SCALE 2)

SCALE 2

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$\left| \frac{x}{N_{12}} \right|^{*2}$  (2 LOOP)

$\left| \frac{x}{N_1} \right|^2$  (2 OR 3 LOOP)

$\left| \frac{x}{N_{12}} \right|^2$  (3 LOOP)

$\left| \frac{x}{N_{12}} \right|^2$

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12,000

8000

4000

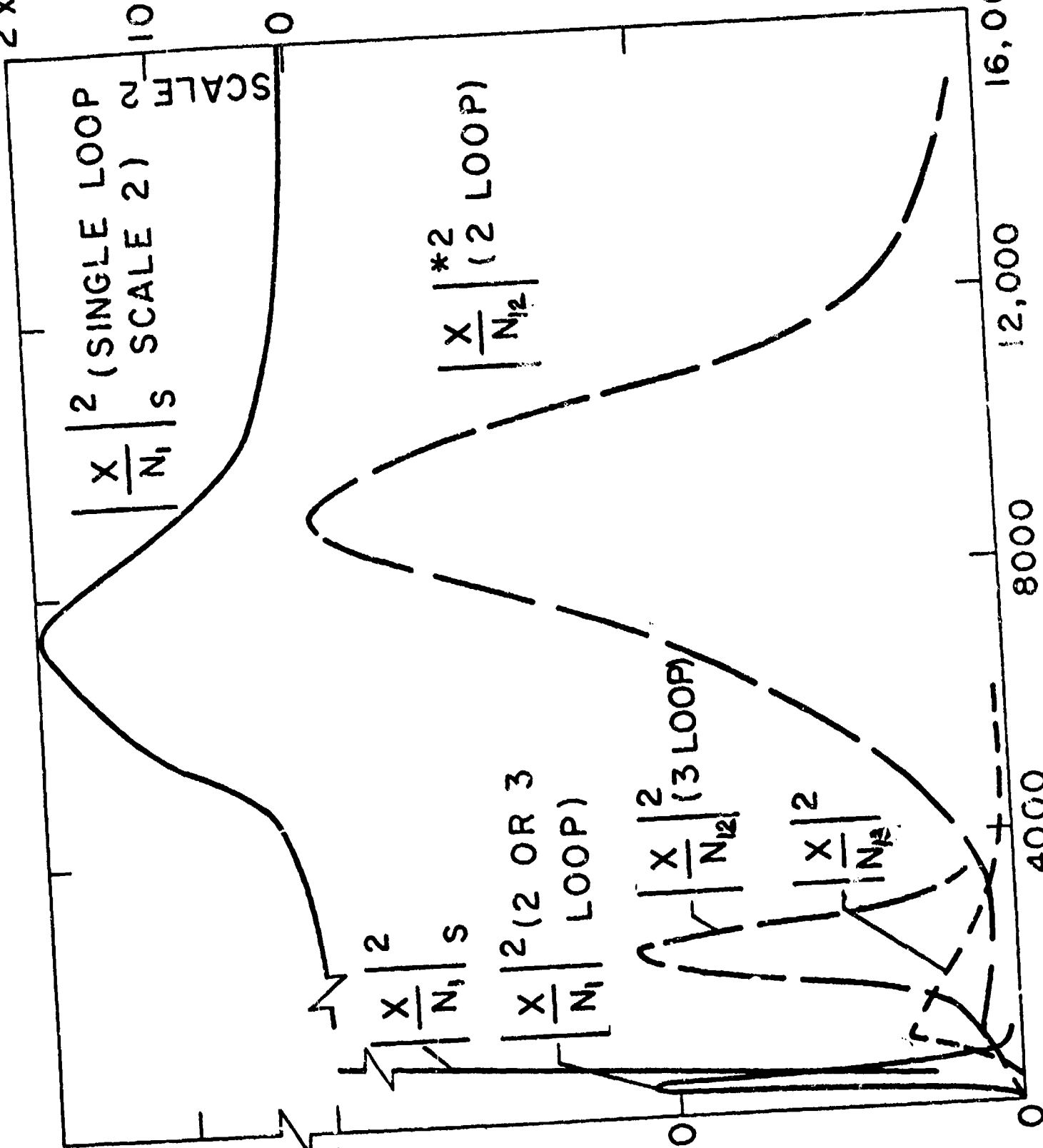
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(a)

Plot of  $\left| \frac{x}{N_1} \right|^2$  and  $\left| \frac{x}{N_{12}} \right|^2$  versus  $\omega$



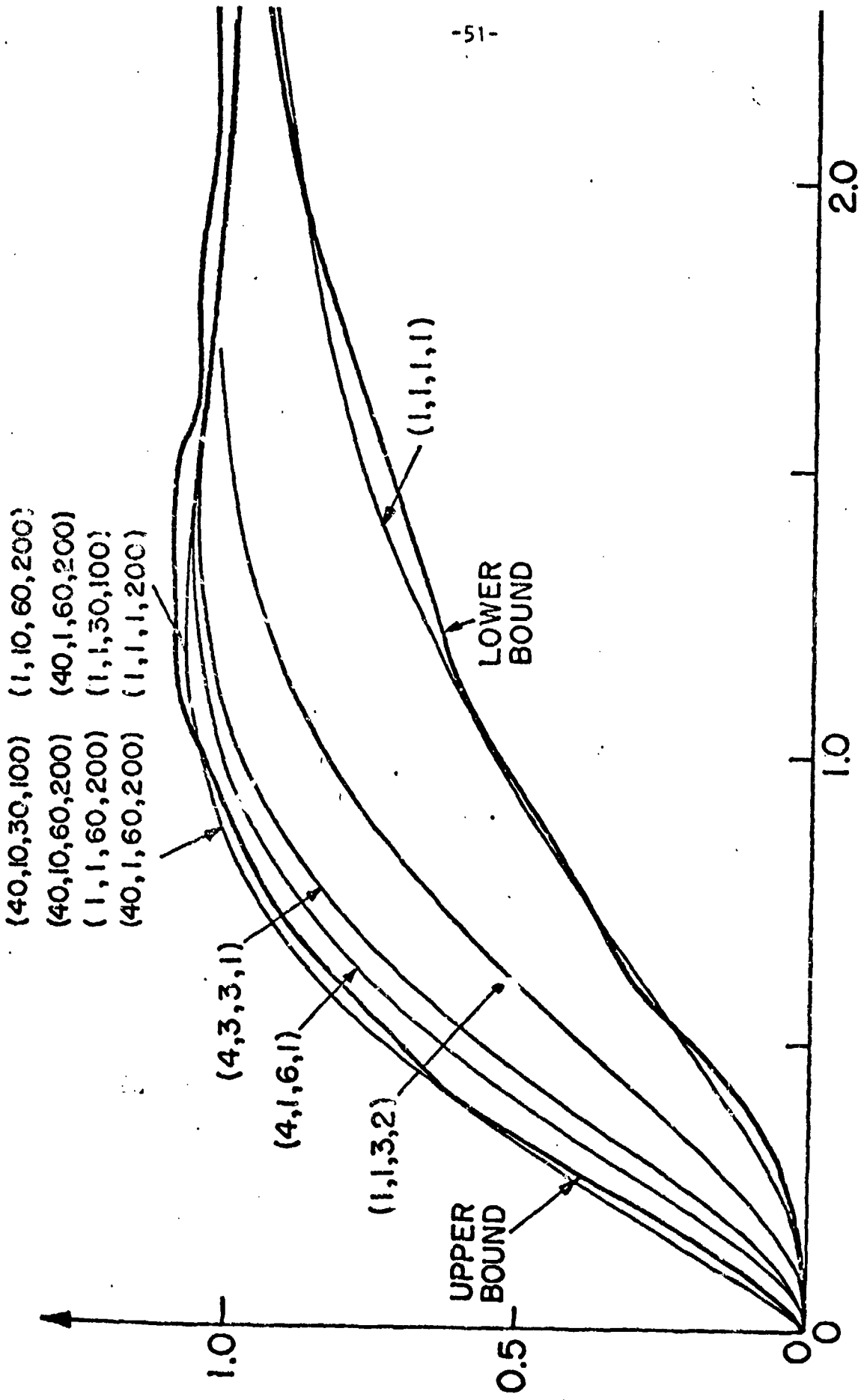


Figure 14a. Example 2. Design simulation results for various parameter combinations. Step response.



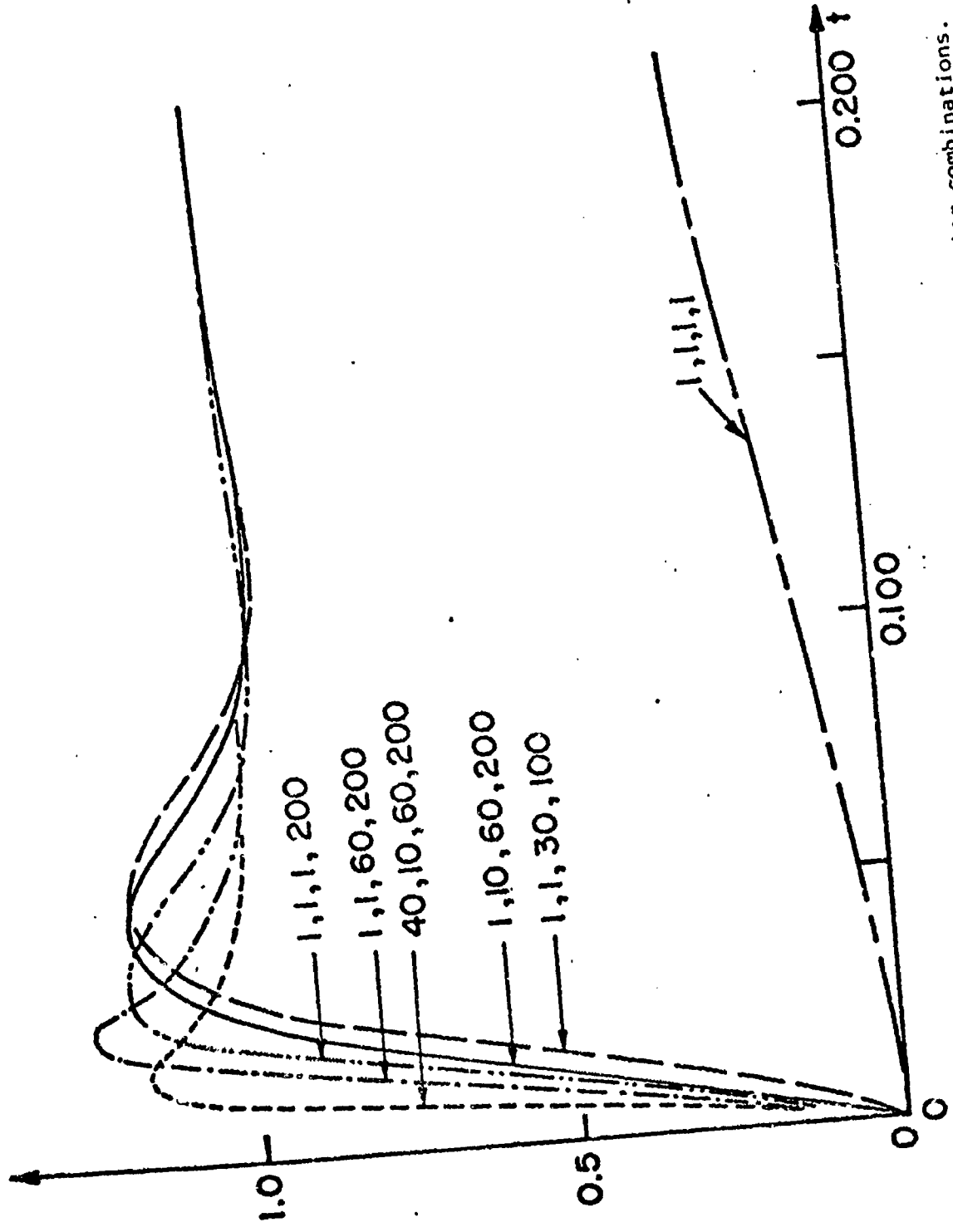


Figure 14b. Example 2. Design simulation results for various parameter combinations. Disturbance response.

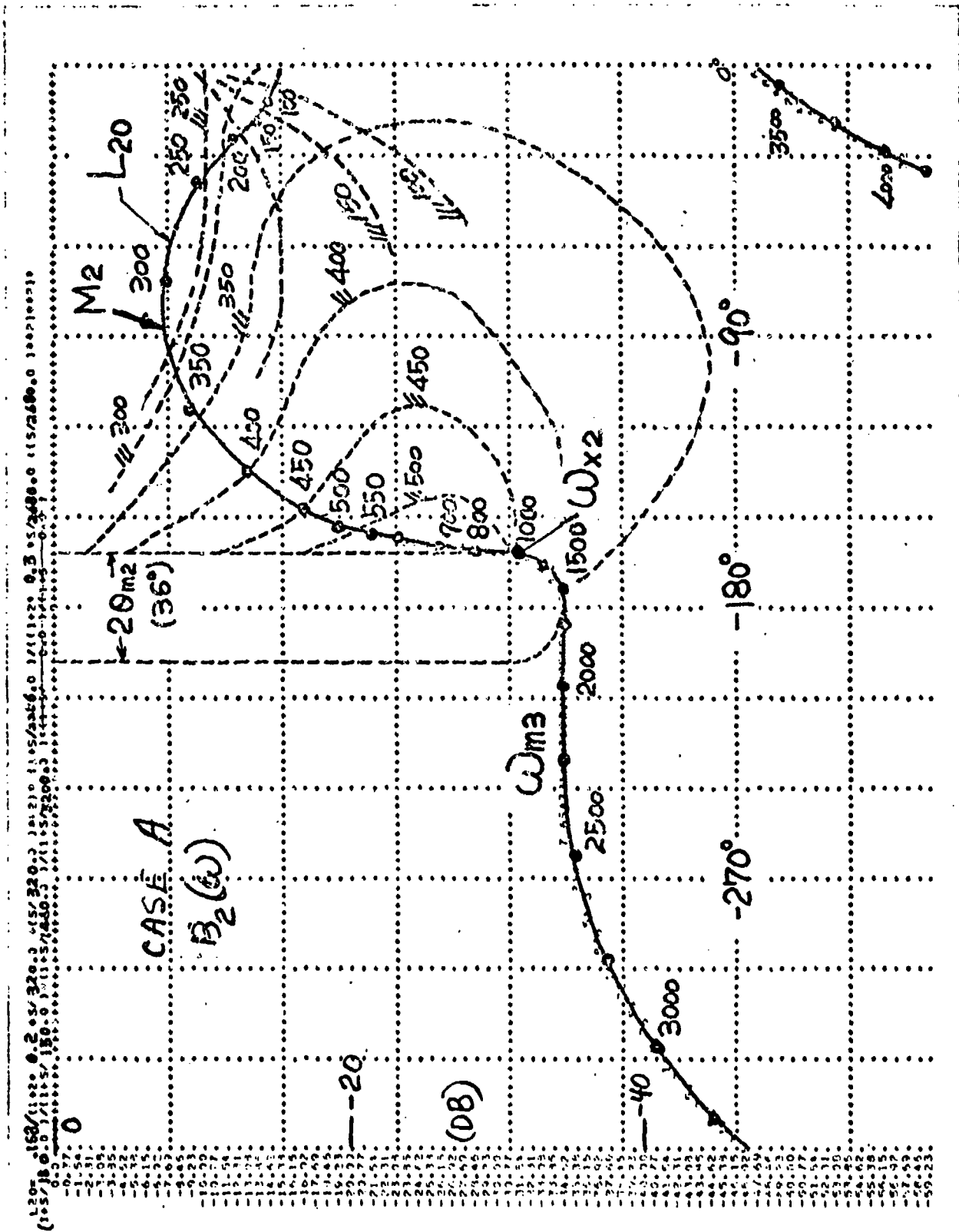


Figure 15a. Example 3. Case A. Bounds  $B_2(\omega)$  on Nichols chart.

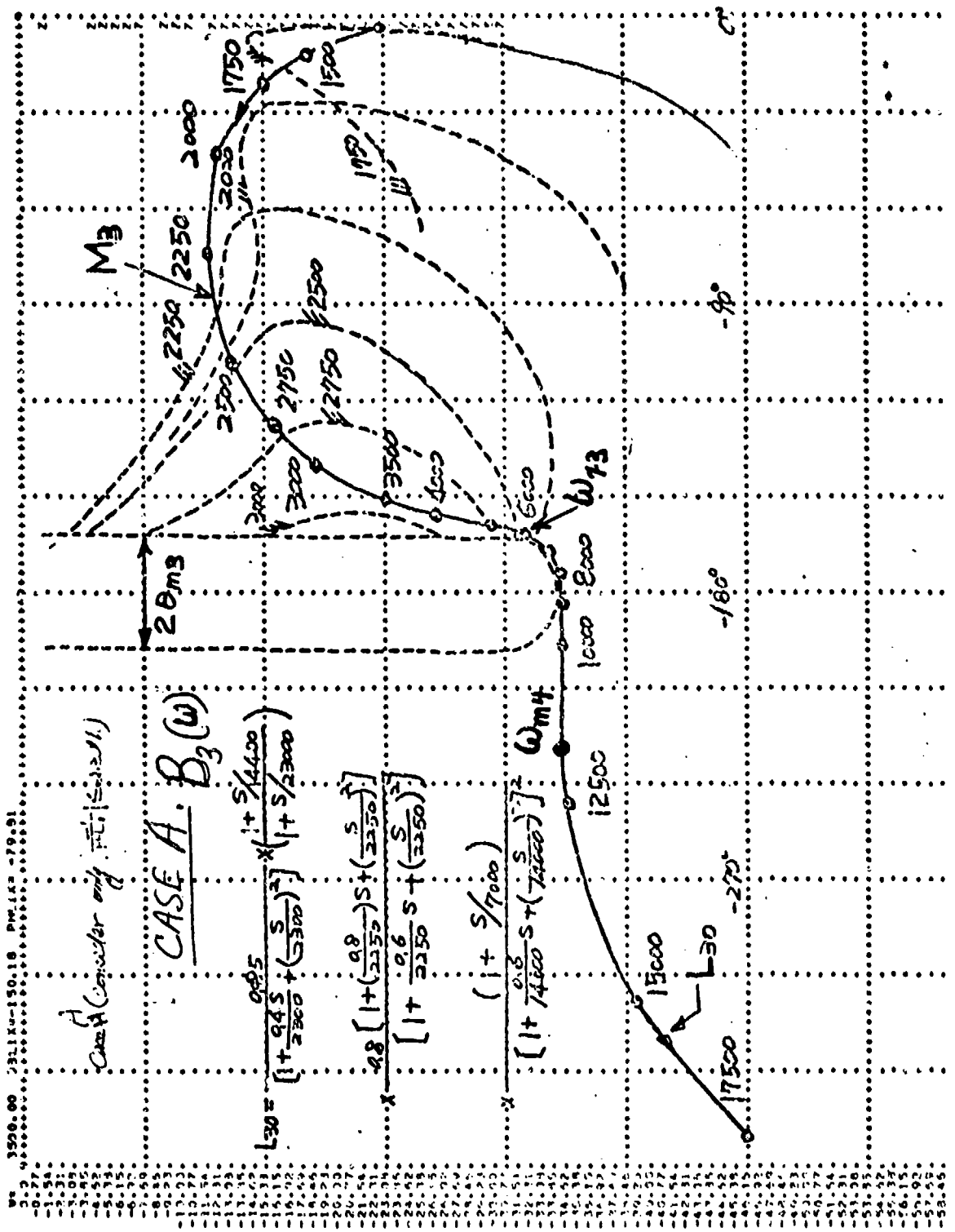


Figure 15b. Example 3. Case A. Bounds  $B_3(\omega)$  on Nichols chart.

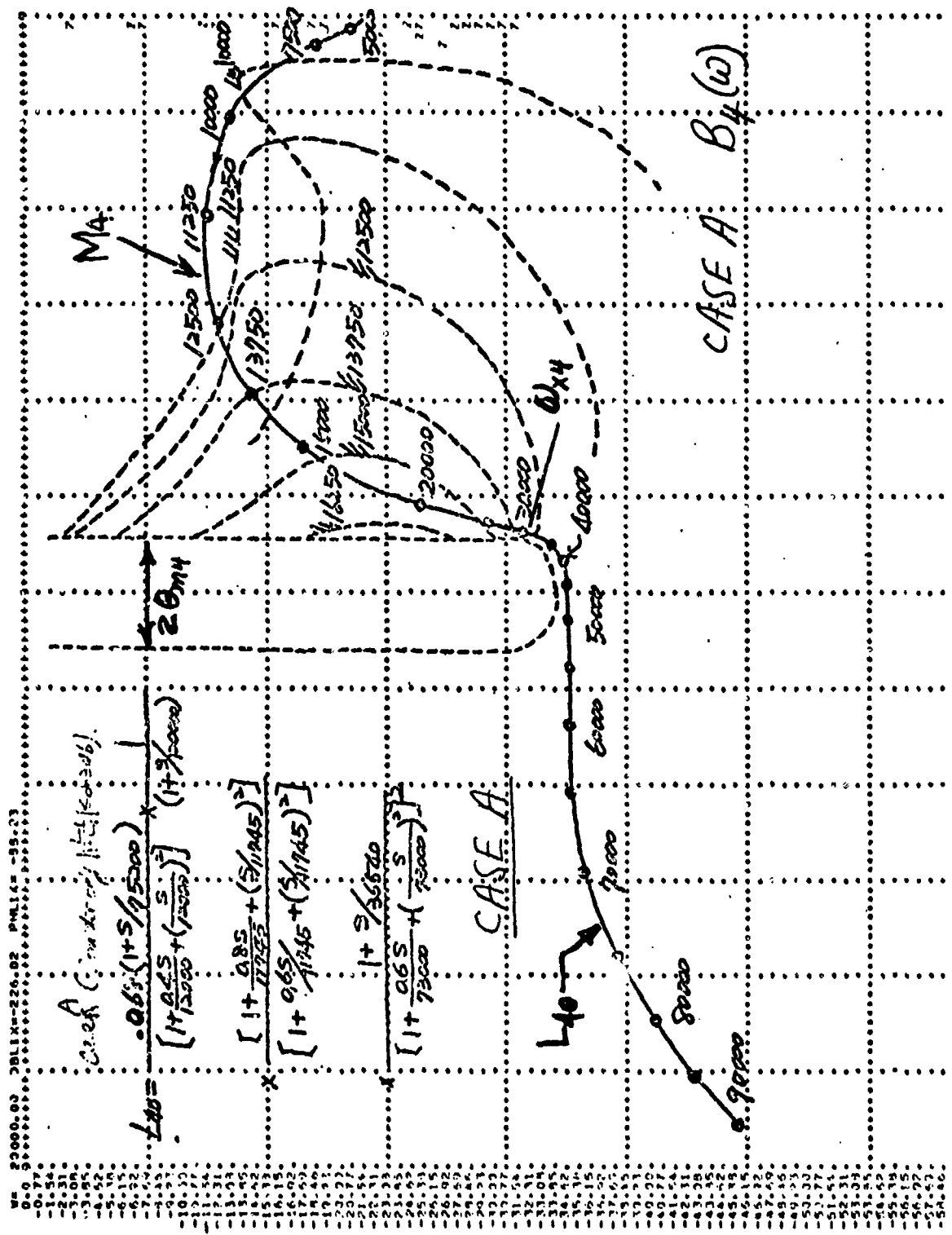
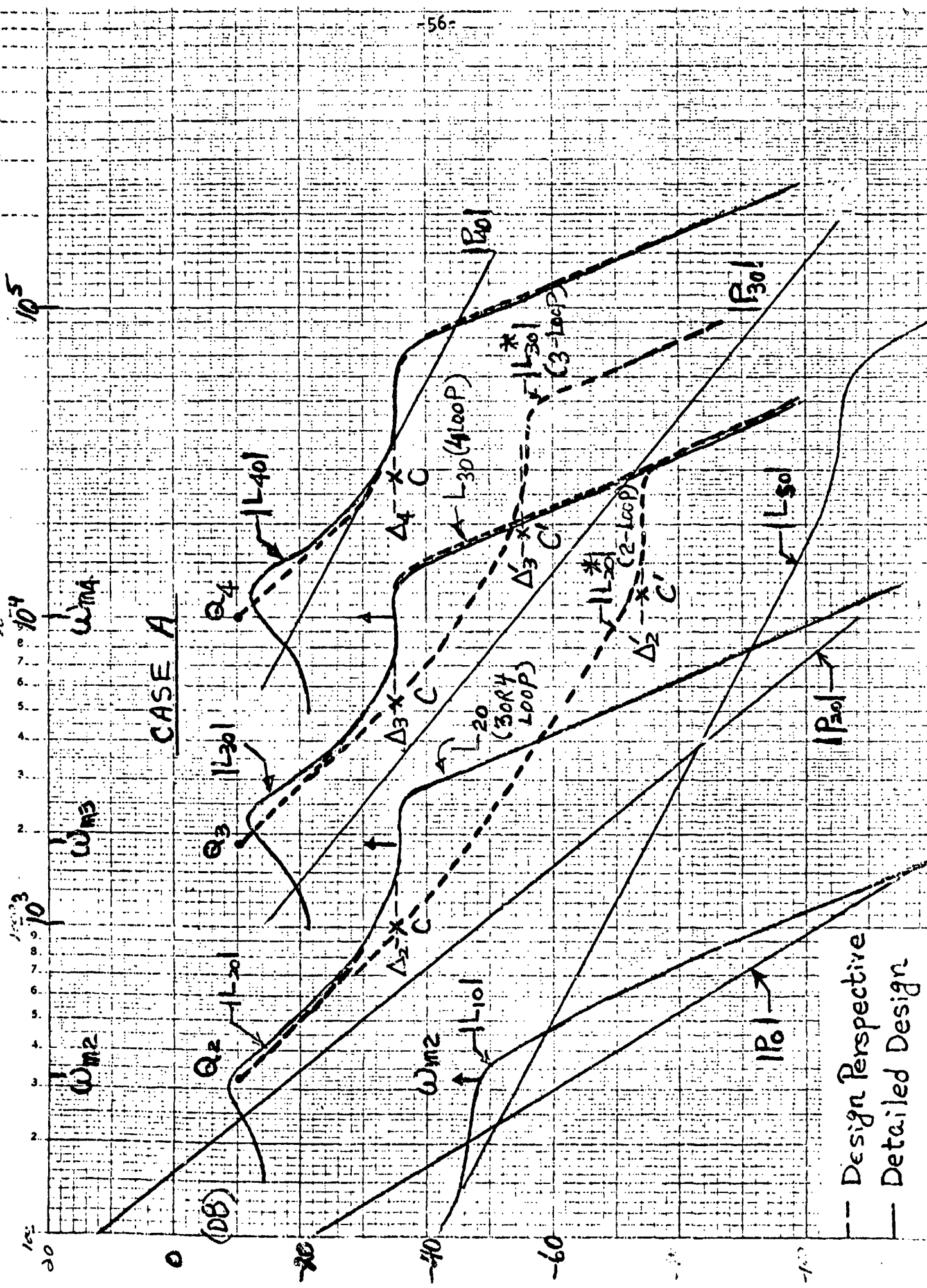
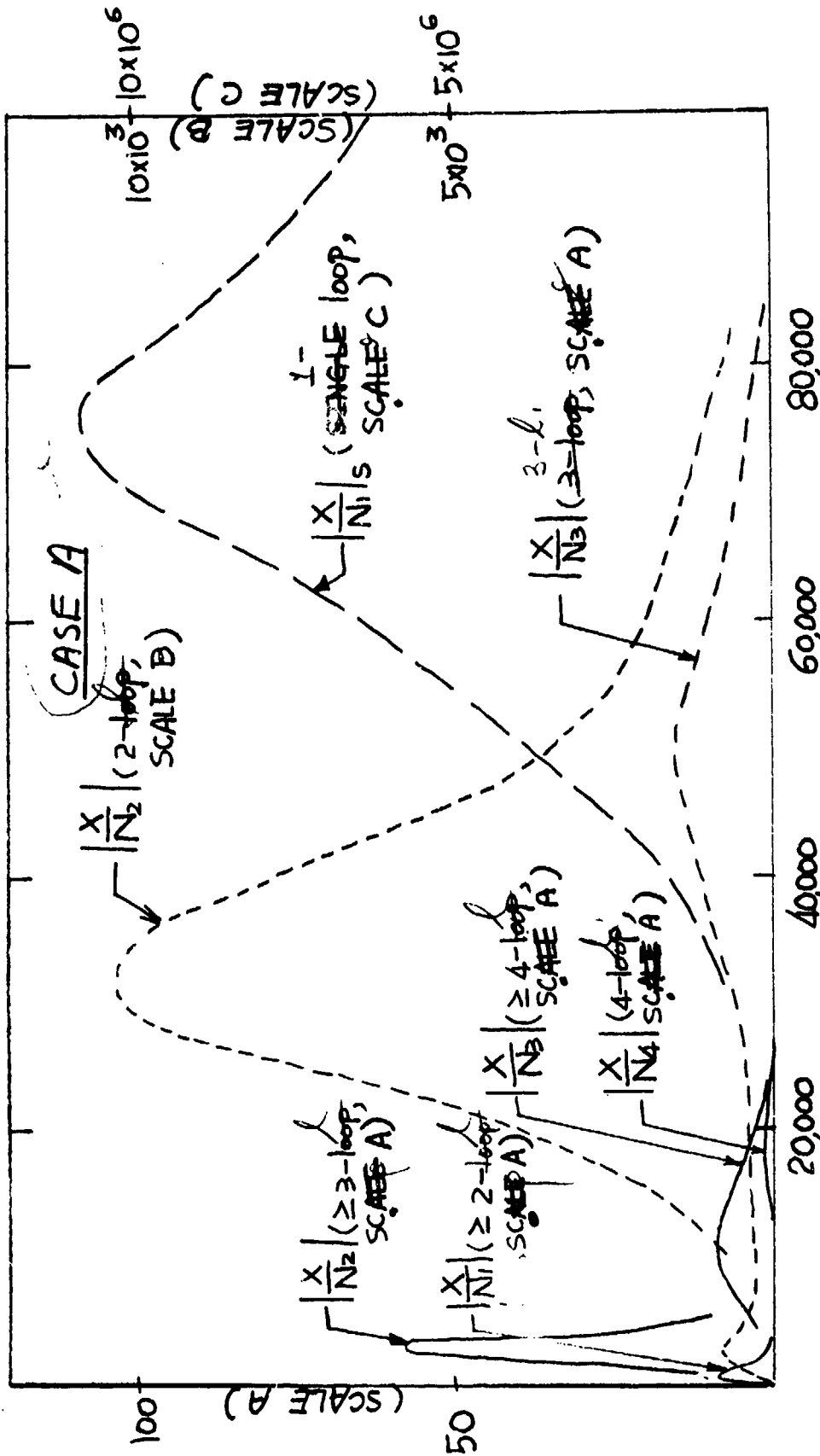


Figure 15c. Example 3. Case A. Bounds  $B_4(w)$  on Nichols chart.



--- Design Perspective  
— Detailed Design



Example 16b. Example 3. Case A. Sensor noise amplification at plant input  $X$ .



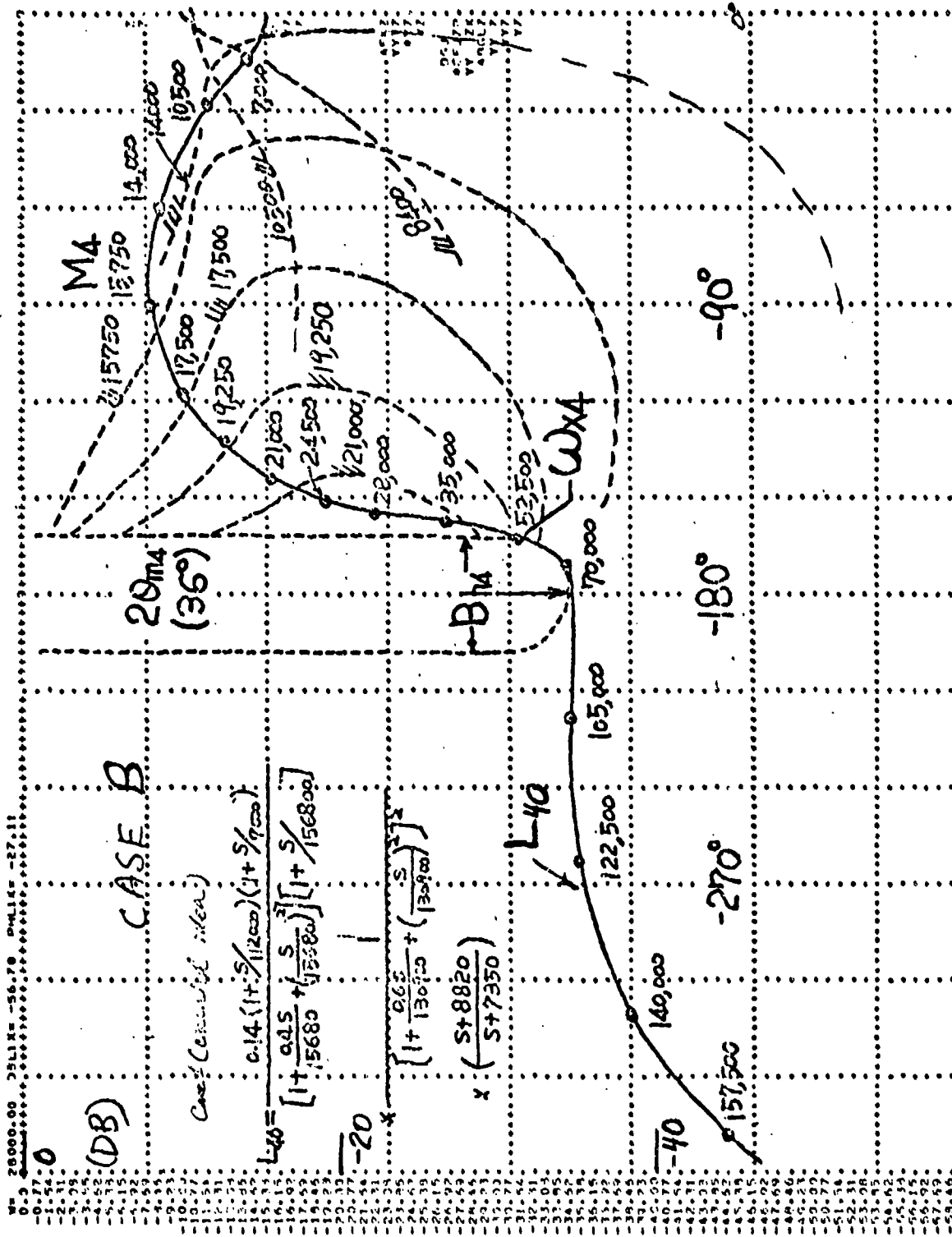


Figure 17b. Example 3. Case B.  $B_4(\omega)$ .



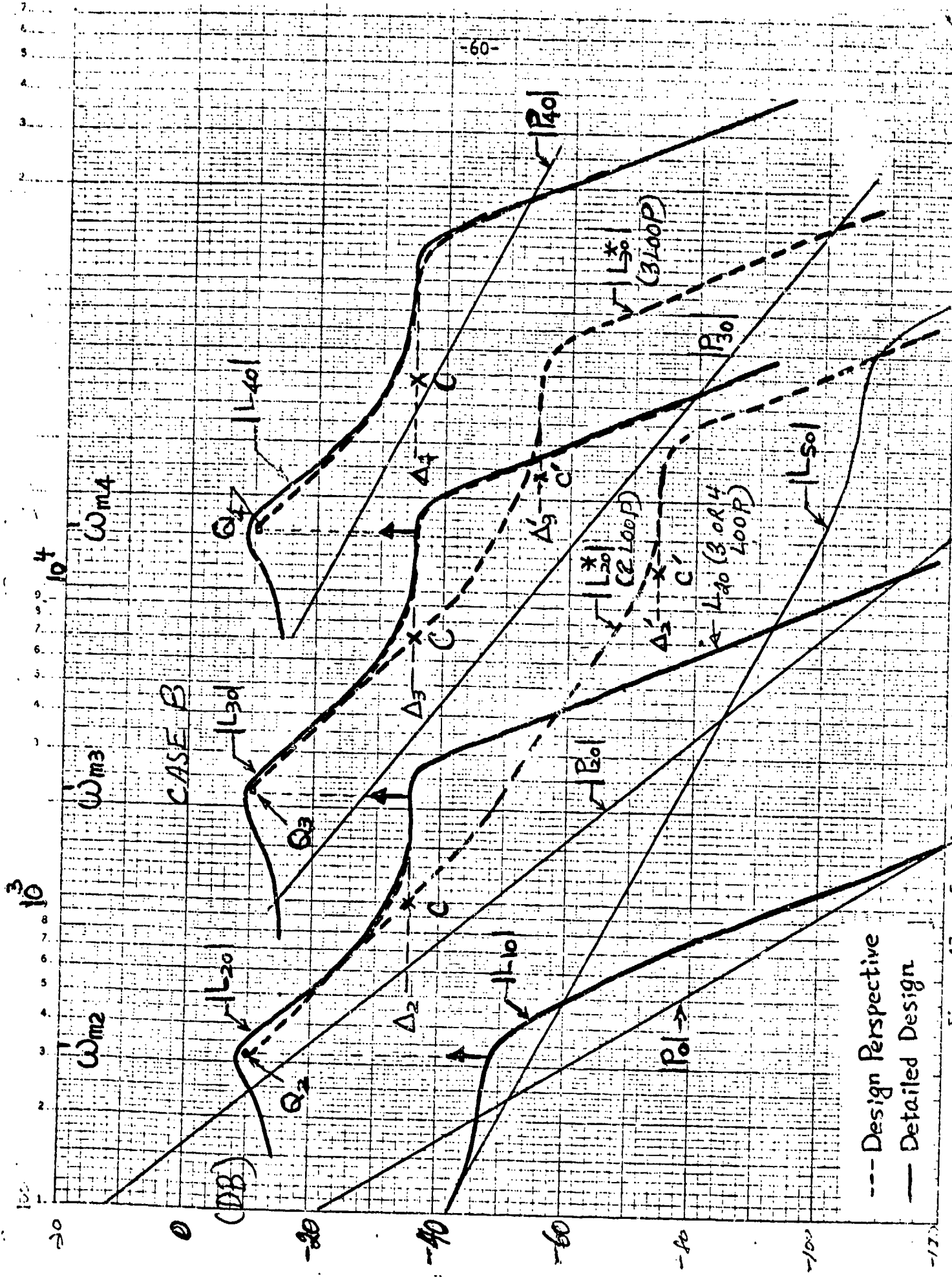


Figure 17c. Example 3. Case B. Design Perspective (dashed) and exact design.

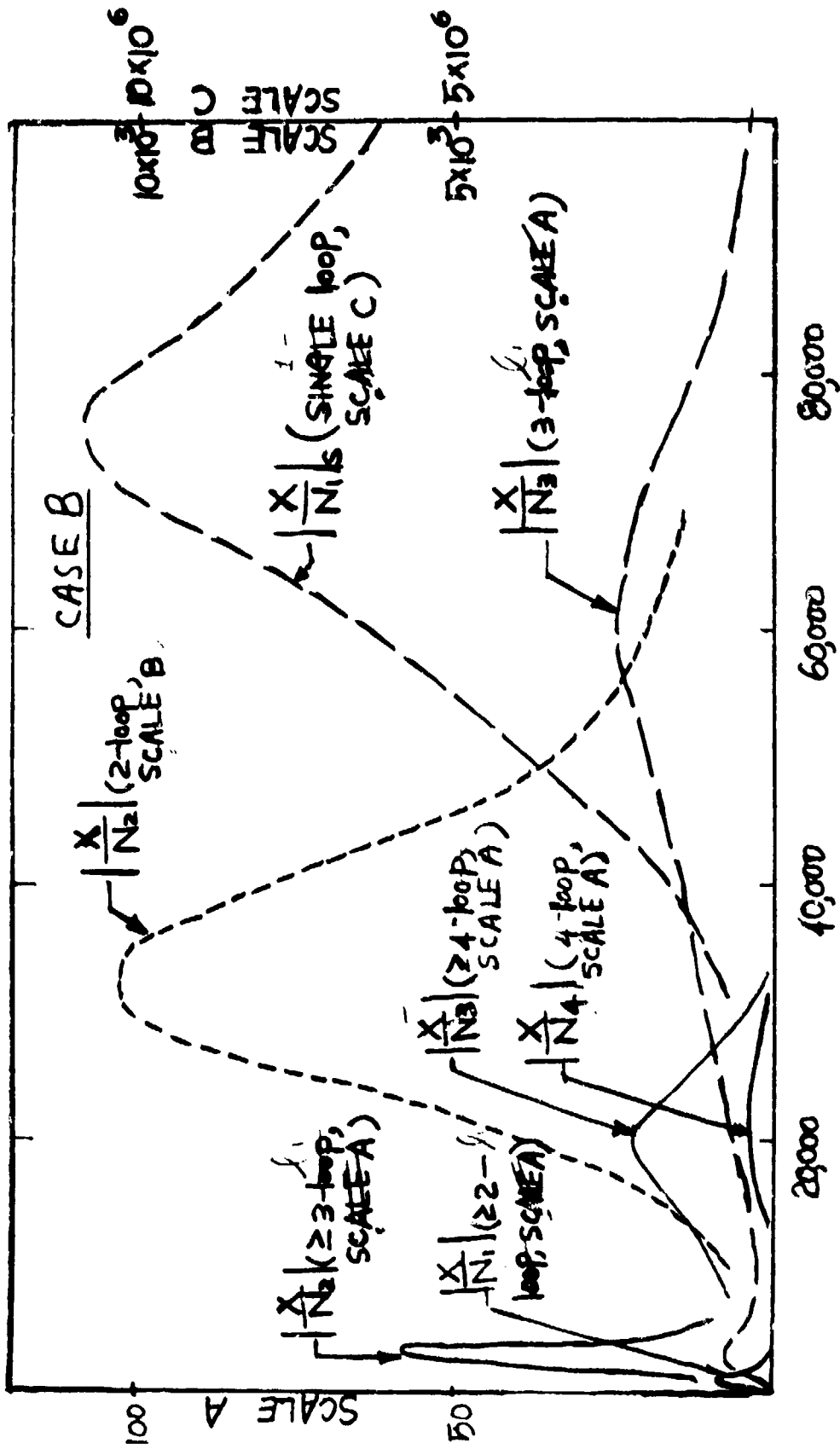


Figure 17d. Example 3. Case B. Sensor noise amplification at plant input  $X$ .

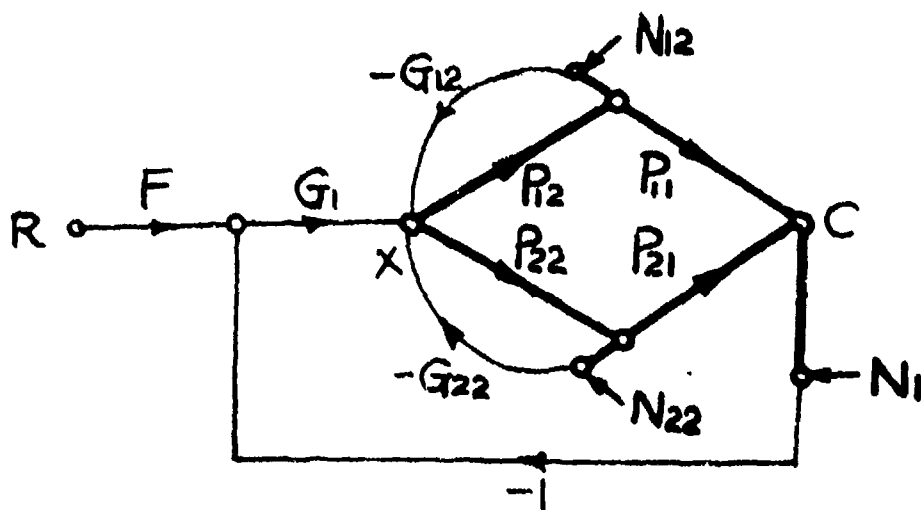


Figure 18. The elementary parallel-cascade structure.

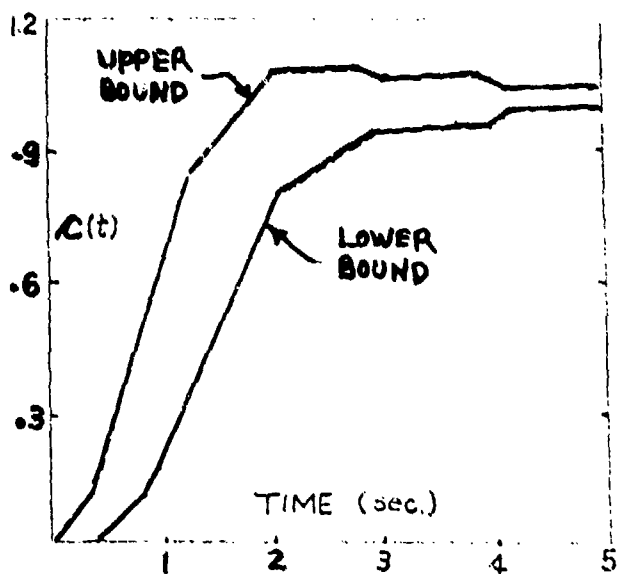


Figure 19a. Specified time domain bounds on step response.

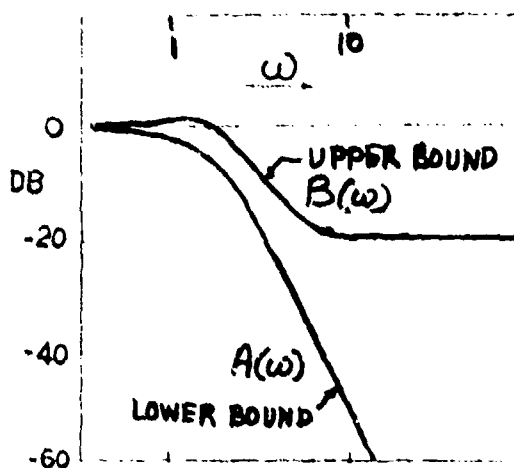


Figure 19b. "Equivalent" frequency-domain bounds.

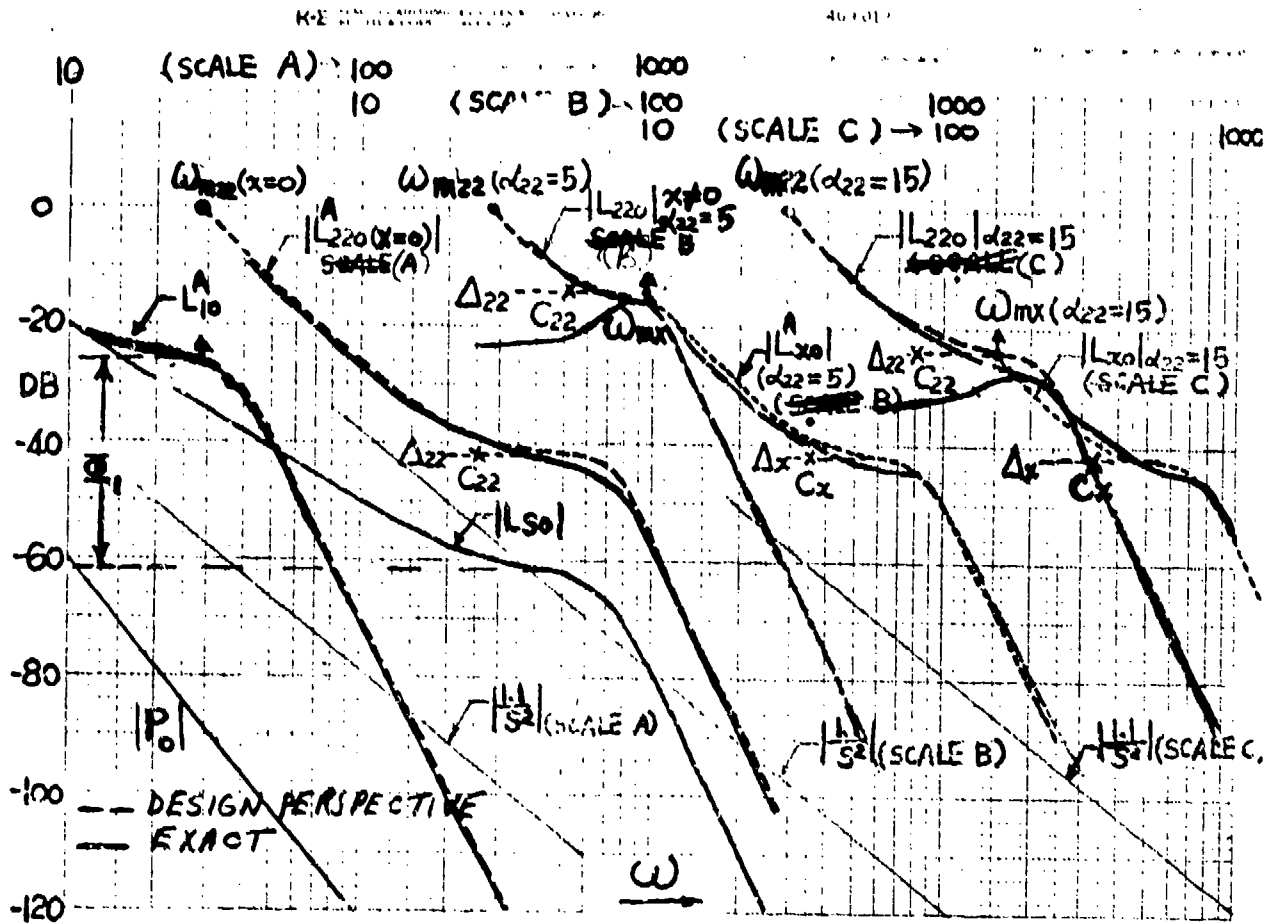


Figure 20a. Example 4. Design Perspective (dashed) and exact design.

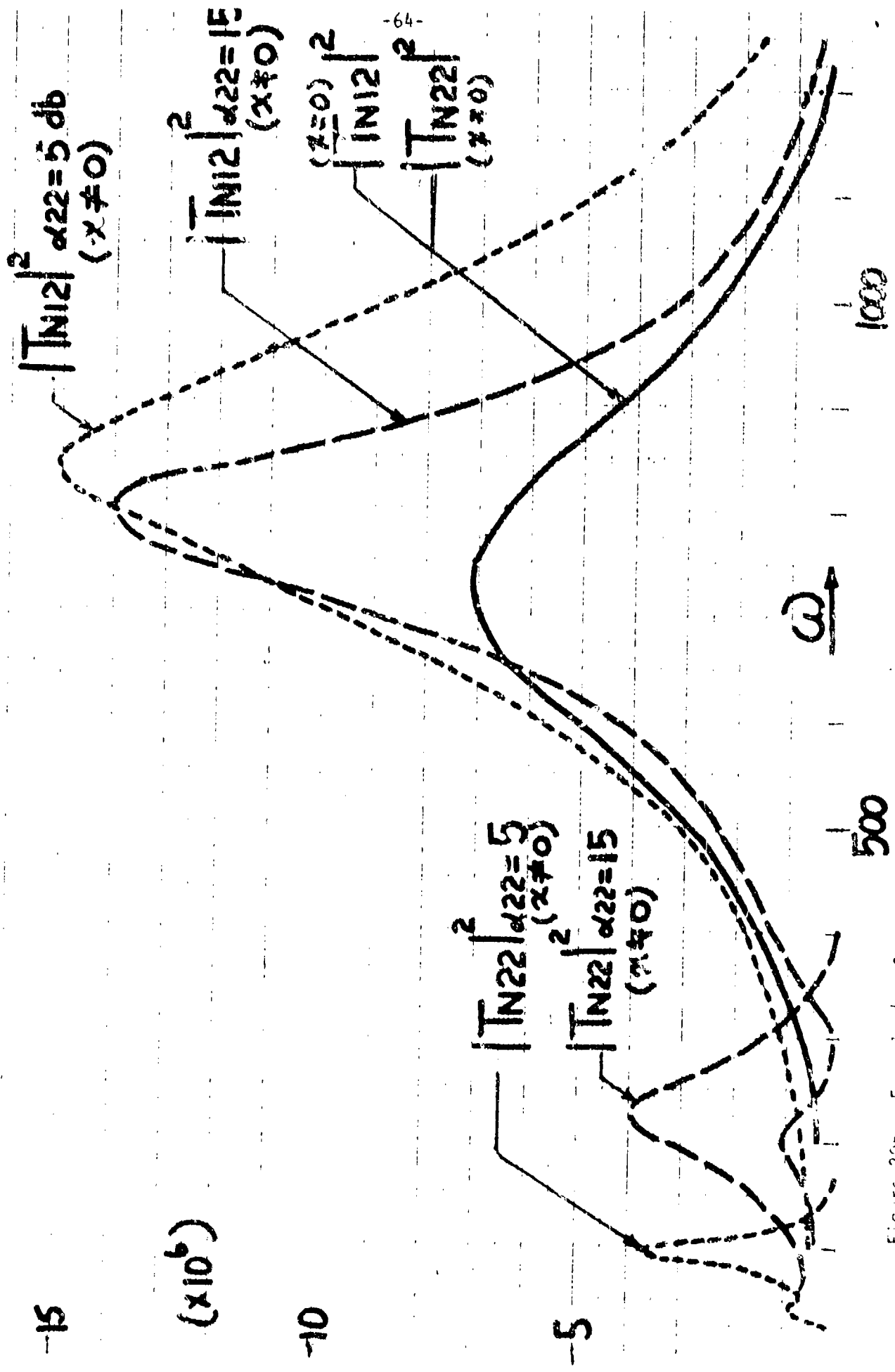


Figure 20- Example 4. Sensor noise amplification vs.  $\omega$  for  $\alpha_{22} = 5$  db

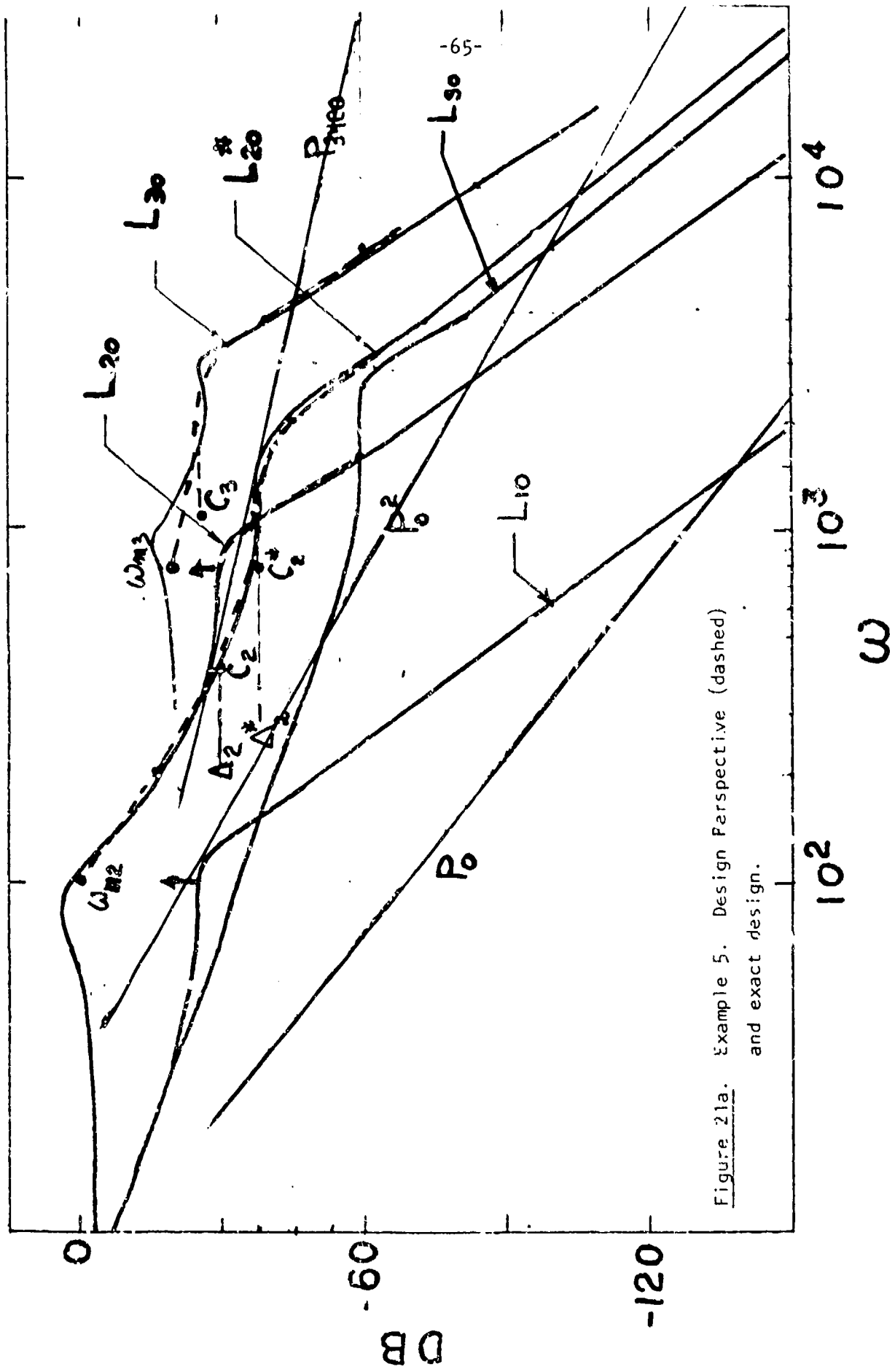


Figure 21a. Example 5. Design Perspective (dashed) and exact design.

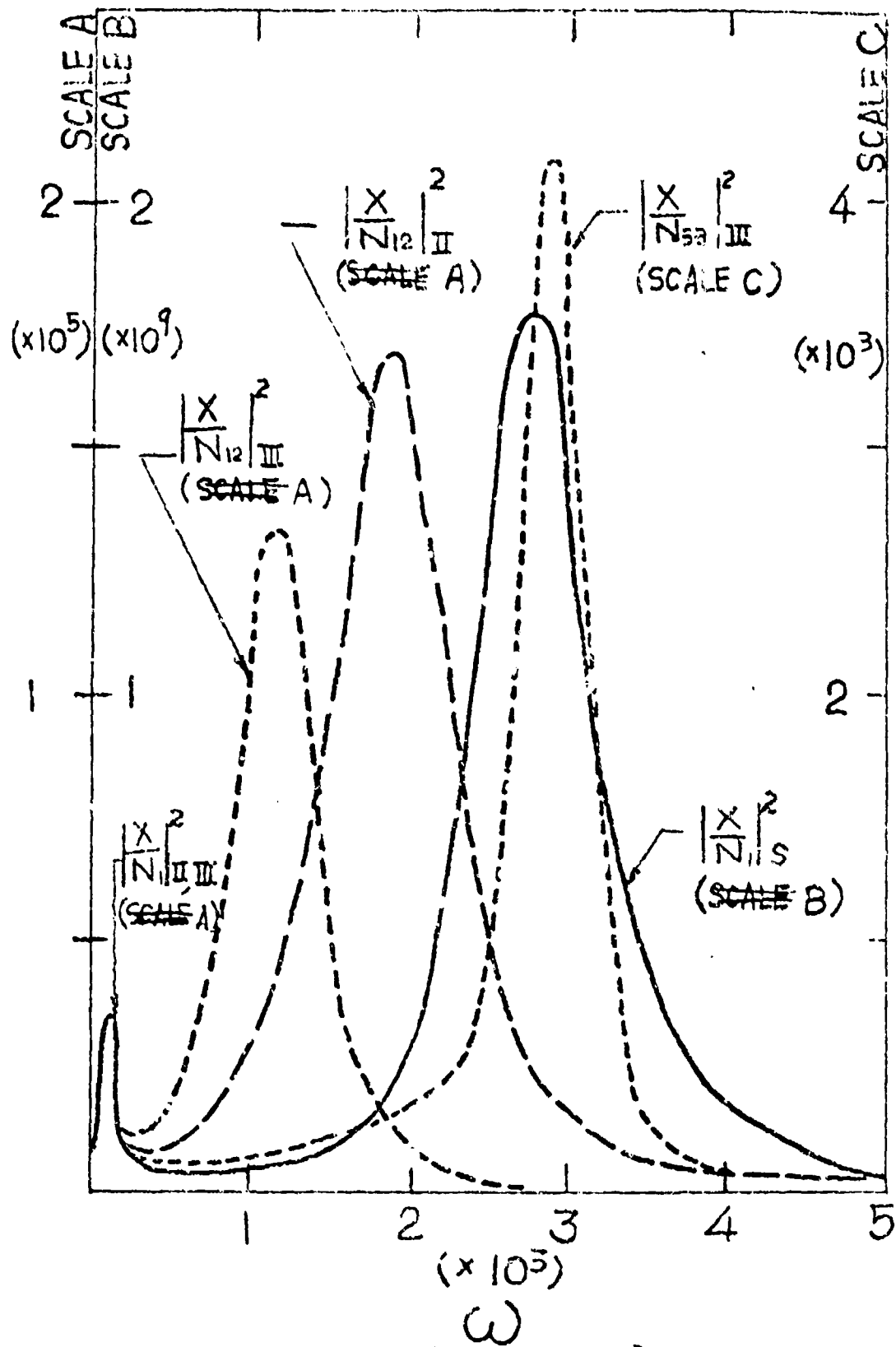


Figure 2:b. Example 5. Sensor noise amplification at plant input X.





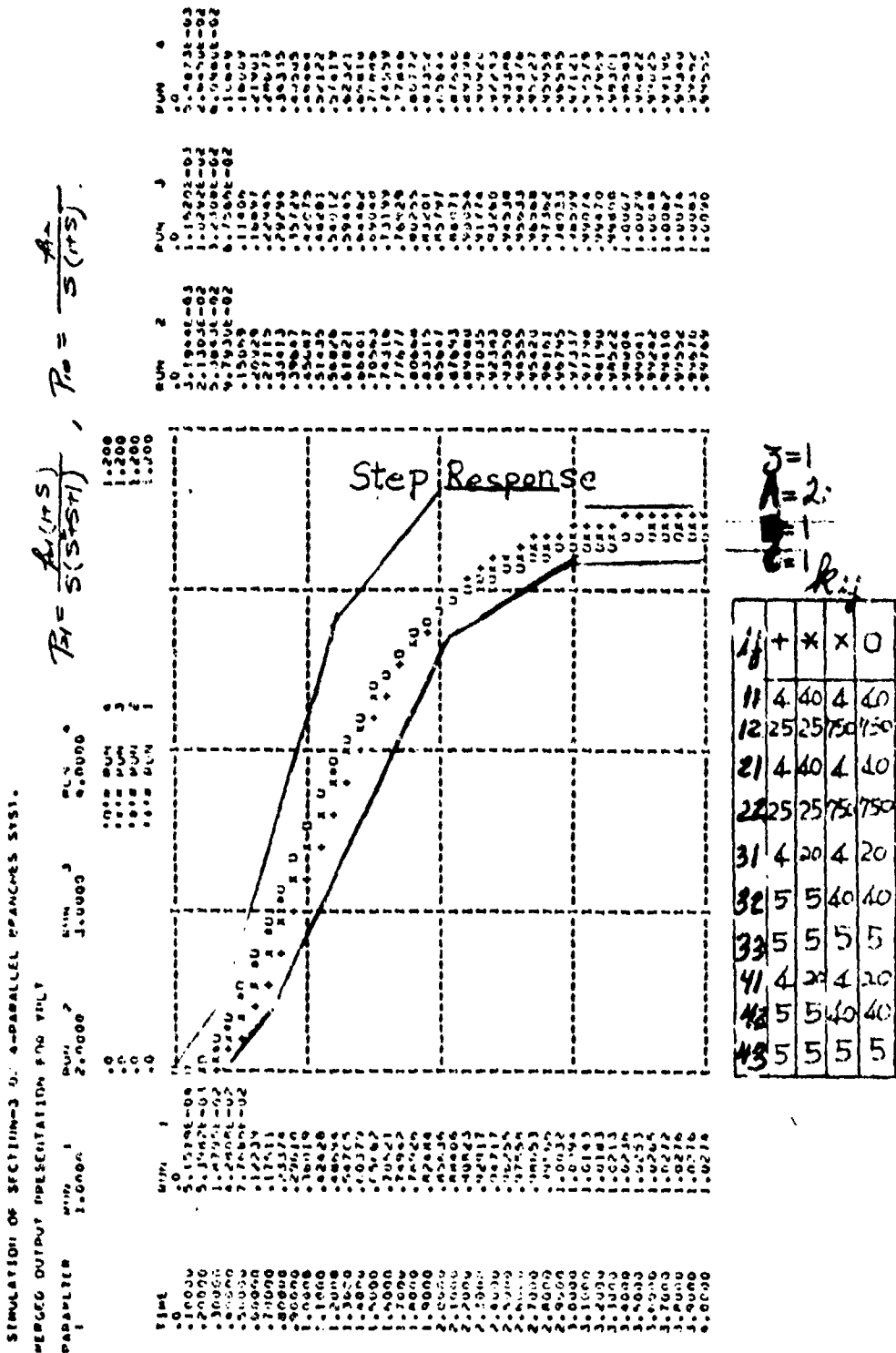


Figure 22a Simulation results - step response.

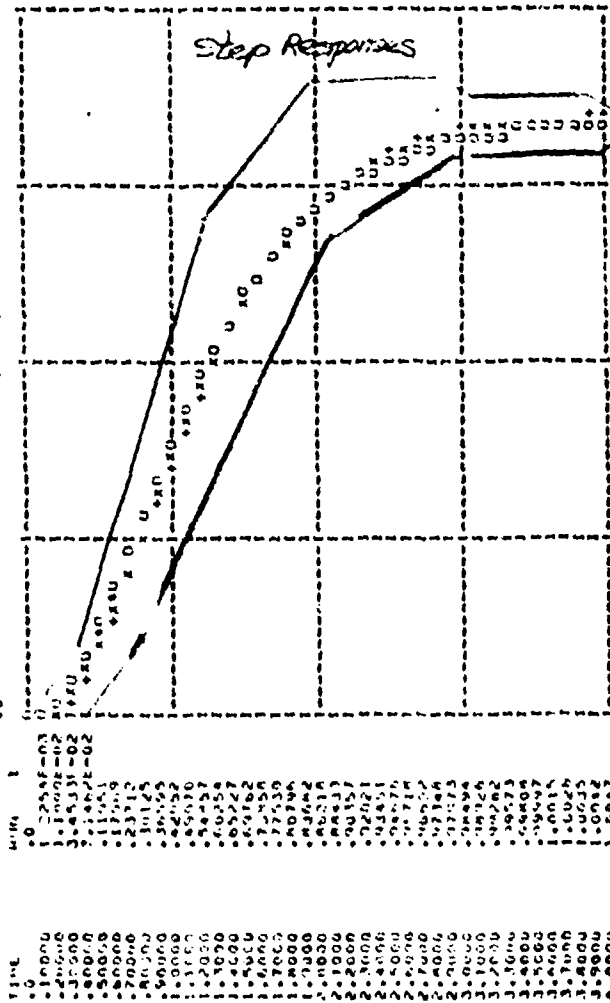
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SIMULATION OF SECTION-3 OF 4-PARALLEL BRANCHES SYST.

MERGED OUTPUT PRESENTATION FOR TILT

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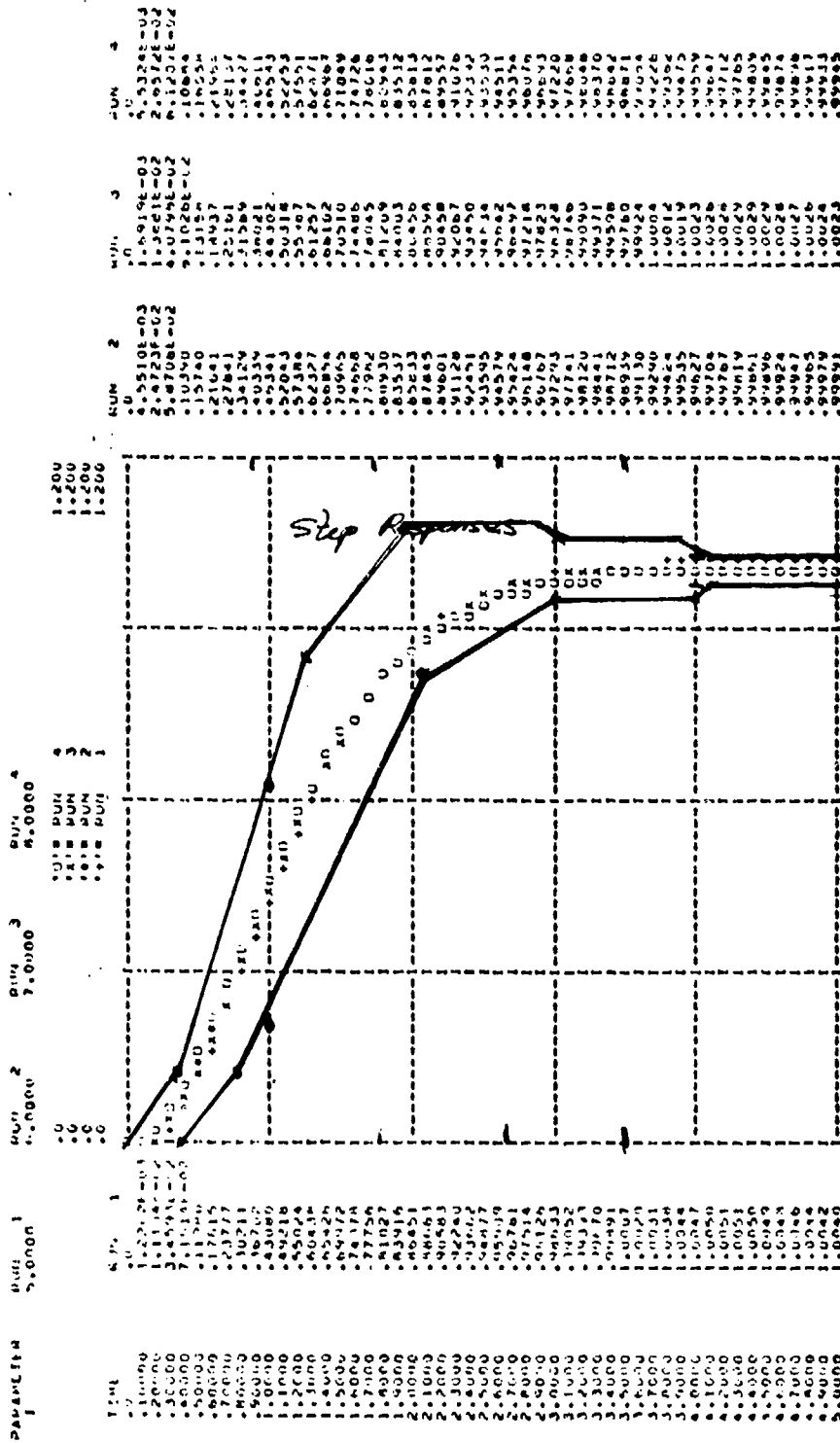
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$\bar{J} = 2$   
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 $B = 1$   
 $C = 1$

$i_j$	+	*	X	O
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12	25	25	75	75
21	4	40	4	40
22	25	25	75	75
31	4	20	4	20
32	5	5	40	40
33	75	75	75	75
41	4	20	4	20
42	5	5	40	40
43	75	75	75	75

Figure 22a Simulation results - step response.

1. SIMULATION OF SECTION-3 OF PARALLEL URBANICUS S-51.  
 MERGED OUTPUT INFORMATION FOR TPL



$\beta = 2$   
 $A = 1$   
 $B = 0$   
 $C = .04 \text{ Kij}$

$i_j$	$\ast$	$X$	$O$
11	4	40	4 40
12	25	25	75 750
21	4	40	4 40
22	25	25	75 750
31	4	20	4 20
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43	75	75	75 75

Figure 220 simulation results - step response.

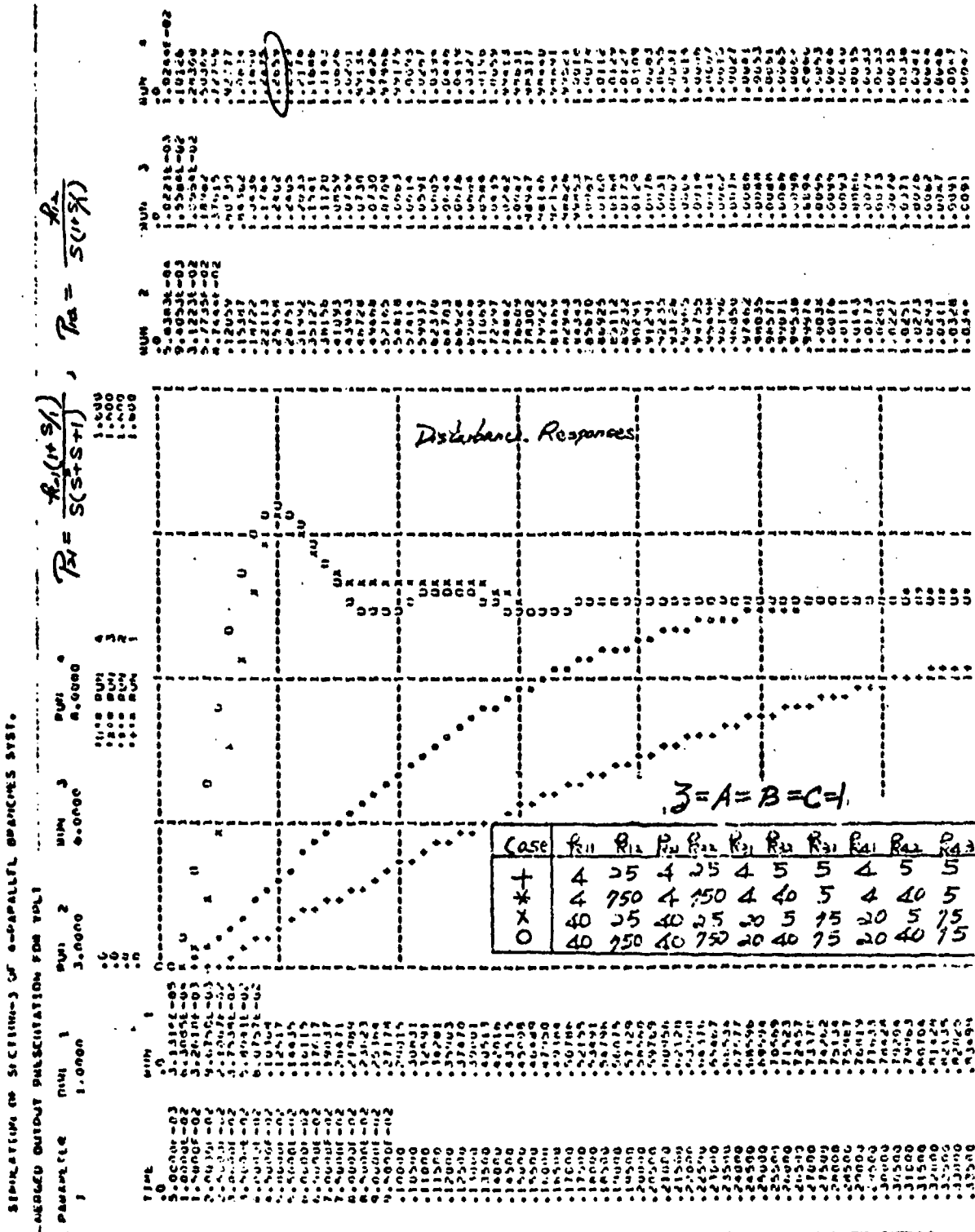


Figure 22b Simulation results - disturbance response.

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SIMULATION IN SECTION-3 OF 4-PARALLEL NUMERICALS TEST.

MERGED OUTPUT PRELIMINATION FOR TABLE

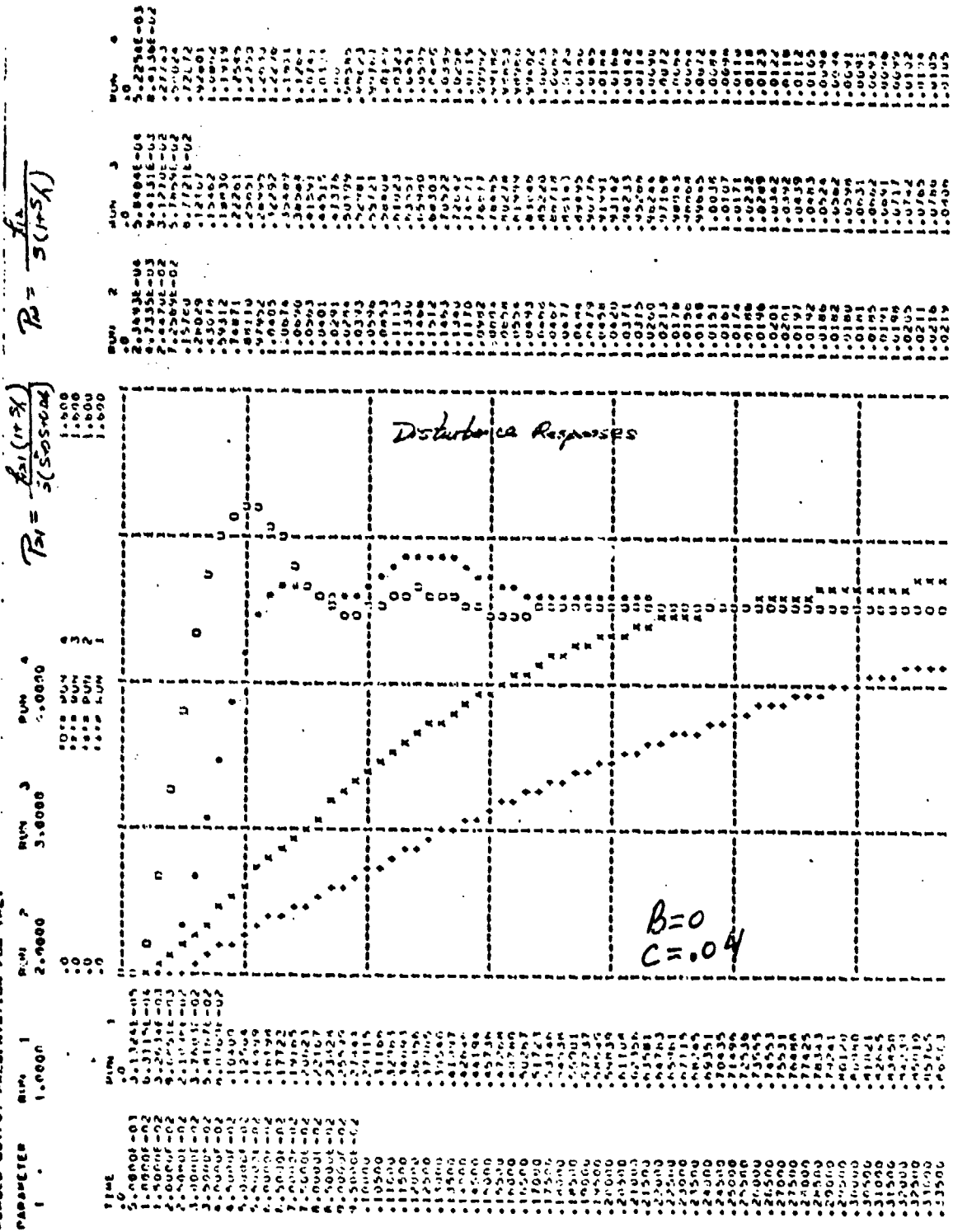


Figure 22 b Simulation results - disturbance response (same parameter set as Figure ).

