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Partly his text, partly mine.

In a 33 :

$C1 = C103 = 29\text{nF}$

$C2 = C102 = 10\text{nF}$

$R1 = R305 = 120\text{K}$

$R2 = R109 = 8\text{K}$

Starting by calculating the network impedance we can then find relationships between the component values needed to give the time constants, $T1 = 3180\mu\text{s}$, $T2 = 318\mu\text{s}$, and $T3 = 75\mu\text{s}$.

The calculation is rather long, so I have put it on a separate page, [RIAA calculation](#).

The result is:

$$C2 \cdot R2 + C1 \cdot R2 = T2$$

$$R1 \cdot C1 + R2 \cdot C2 + R2 \cdot C1 = T1 + T3$$

$$R1 \cdot R2 \cdot C1 \cdot C2 = T1 \cdot T3$$

C in μF and R in Ω , T in μs

Assume:

$$C1 \cdot R1 = X$$

$$C2 \cdot R2 = Y$$

$$C1 \cdot R2 = Z$$

Then:

$$Y + Z = T2$$

$$X + Y + Z = T1 + T3$$

$$X \cdot Y = T1 \cdot T3$$

Substitute 1 and 3 in 2 gives a solution for Y, Y is 57.194, X = 2780.012 and Z = 392.806

Y/Z gives the $C2/C1$ ratio = 0.1456

So choose $C1 = 33\text{nF}$, $C2$ will be 4.8nF

$R2 = 11\text{K}$

$R1 = 84.242\text{K}$

This is for the 78RPM time constants! $T1 = 3180\mu\text{s}$, $T2 = 450\mu\text{s}$ and $T3 = 50\mu\text{s}$

With some small tweaking in the simulator and making the signal generator a inverse 78RPM generator, the response is very flat.

But I also tested the 78RPM generator in a normal RIAA input, there is a slight bass lift and a treble droop. This can be corrected with about 10% bass minus and 25 a 30% treble lift in the 33 simulator. So the response in a 33 can be more or less accurate with the tone controls, but I have a large collection of 78's from my father, they are in very good nick, but no way you want them played with a treble lift! So a 0dB correct 78RPM curve maybe useful for archive applications, with heavy filtering afterwards, but for listening it is a dreadful idea. The tone controls in a 33 can solve the treble droop, but you don't want that!