

## Ch 9 : Operational Amplifier & Oscillator

Operational amplifier (op-amp) is a circuit that performs such mathematical operations as addition, subtraction, integration & differentiation. It is made with different internal configurations in linear IC's. It is so named because it originally was designed to perform mathematical operation. Op-amp is also used in oscillators for freq oscillation. Op-amp is a complete amplifier, however external components (resistor, capacitor) etc can be connected to its terminals to change external characteristics.

An op-amp is a very high gain differential amplifier with high input impedance & low output impedance. Op-amp are typically used to provide voltage amplitude change, oscillators, filter, & many types of instrumentation circuits.

The block diagram of op-amp is,

Non-inverting

I/P

Input

Stage

Intermediate

Stage

Level

shifting

stage

O/P

Inverting I/P

O/P

Fig: Block diagram of op-amp.

I/P stage

It is a dual-i/p balanced op differential amplifier. The basic requirements of i/p stage are

- High voltage gain
- High i/p impedance
- Low O/P offset voltage
- High CMRR
- Low i/p bias current

The function of this stage is to amplify the difference b/w two i/p signals.

### Intermediate stage:

This is dual-ip, unbalanced op (i.e. single-ended output) differential amplifier. Its main function is to provide the additional voltage gain required. Practically it is the chain of cascaded amplifier called multistage amplifier.

### Level shifting stage:

All the stages are directly-coupled to each other. As the op-amp amplifies the dc signals also, the coupling capacitor are not used to cascade the stages. So, the dc level also increased, stage by stage. Such a high dc voltage level may drive the transistors into saturation & may cause the distortion in op. Thus, it is necessary to bring such a high dc voltage level to zero before op stage.

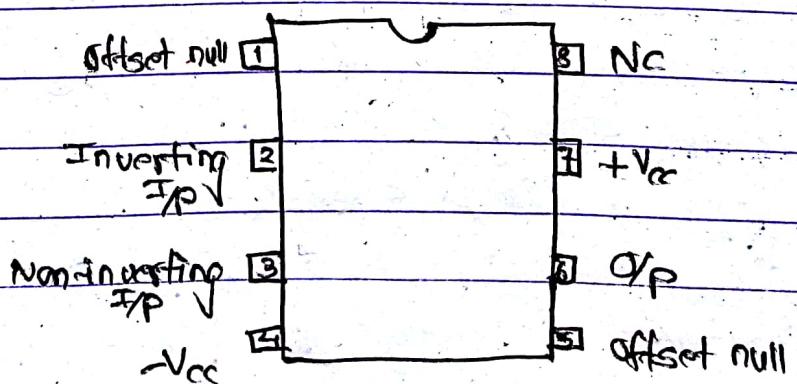
A level shifter brings the dc level to ground potential when no ip signal is applied. An emitter follower (i.e.) is used in level-shifting stage.

### Output stage:

The complementary-symmetry, push-pull amplifier is used in the final stage. The basic requirements of an op stages are:

- Low op impedance.
- Large ac op voltage swing.
- Large current supplying capability.

The pin DIP package of 741 op-amp is as given:



An op-amp is a (5 terminal) active element. Its circuit symbol & its associated terminals and ports are as shown below:

It has five terminals or

- \* 2 → Inverting input
- \* 3 → Non-inverting input
- \* 6 → O/p terminal
- \* 4 → Positive bias supply
- \* 7 → Negative bias supply.

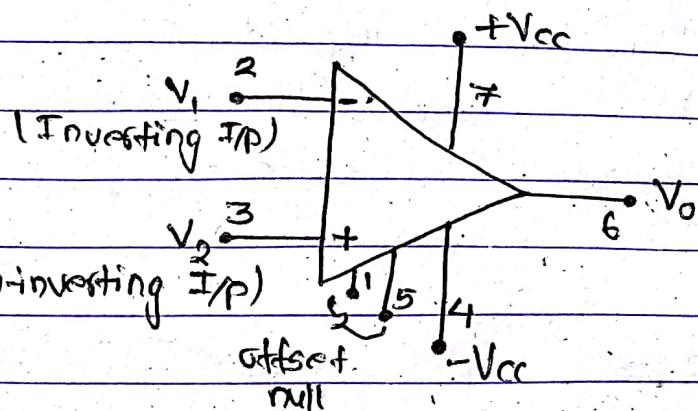


Fig: Symbol of 741 op-amp

$$\text{Here, } V_o = A(V_2 - V_1)$$

### Ideal Op-amp

An ideal op-amp is an op-amp that has perfect condition to allow it to function as an op-amp with 100% efficiency. An ideal op-amp is usually considered to have the following properties.

- i) Infinite open loop voltage gain,  $A_v = \infty$ .
- ii) Infinite input impedance,  $R_{in}$  or  $Z_{in} = \infty$ .
- iii) Zero output impedance,  $R_o = 0$ .
- iv) Infinite bandwidth,  $BW = \infty$ .
- v) Zero input offset voltage,  ~~$V_{ios} = 0$~~   $V_{ios} = 0 = V_{off(in/p)}$
- vi) Infinite common mode rejection ratio,  $C_{MRR} = \infty$
- vii) Infinite slew rate,  $SR = \infty$ .

### Practical or Non-ideal Op-Amp

The practical op-amps have little bit different characteristics than that of ideal op-amp. Practical op-amps have the

following properties.

- i) Open loop voltage gain is high.
- ii) Large i/p impedance.
- iii) Very low o/p impedance.
- iv) Finite bandwidth.
- v) Small offset voltage.
- vi) Finite CMRR.

## Basic Op-Amp Circuit

The basic op-amp ckt is shown in figure below. An i/p signal  $V_i$  is applied through resistor  $R_i$  to inverting i/p terminal.

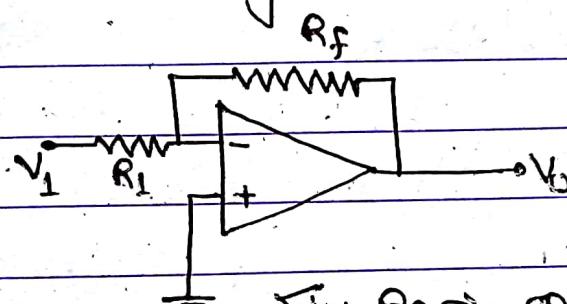


Fig: Basic op-amp ckt.

## Virtual Ground Concept

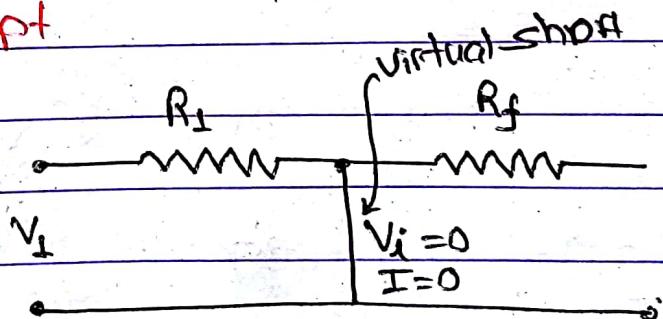
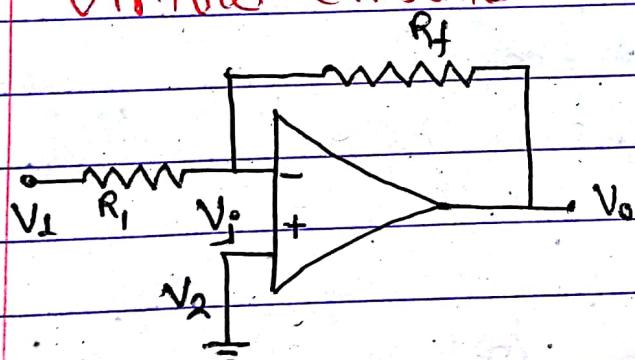


Fig: Virtual ground.

Fig: Inverting op-amp

For a op-amp, as given in above fig,

$$V_o = A V_i$$

$$\text{or, } V_i = \frac{V_o}{A}$$

For an ideal op-amp, it has infinite voltage gain.  
i.e.  $A = \infty$ ,

$$\text{So, } V_i = \frac{V_o}{A} = \frac{V_o}{\infty} = 0$$

$$\text{Also, } V_i = V_1 - V_2$$

$$\text{or, } V_1 - V_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V_1 = V_2$$

Thus, we can say that there is a virtually short circuit between the two input terminals in the sense that their voltages are same. However, no current flows from the terminals to the ground. The current flows through a resistor  $R_1$  to  $R_f$ .

The very large voltage gain forces the voltage at inverting & non-inverting inputs to be approximately equal.

### Op-Amp Parameters

1) Differential mode gain ( $A_d$ )

$$V_o = A_d (V_1 - V_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow A_d = \frac{V_o}{V_1 - V_2} = \frac{V_o}{V_2}$$

2) Common mode gain ( $A_{cm}$ ).

If  $V_1 = V_2$ , then,  $V_1 - V_2 = 0$  i.e.  $V_o = 0$

$$V_{cm} = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2}$$

$$V_o = A_{cm} * V_{cm}$$

Now, total o/p,  $V_o = A_d V_i + A_{cm} * V_{cm}$

[ For ideal,  $A_d \approx \infty$  &  $A_{cm} = 0$  ]

### 3) Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)

When the same i/p signal are applied to the both i/p's, common mode operation results. A significant feature of a differential connection is that the signals that are opposite at i/p's are highly amplified whereas those signals that are common to the two i/p's are only slightly amplified. An op-amp amplify the difference signal while rejecting the common signal at the two i/p. This operating feature is referred to as common mode rejection.

The common mode rejection ratio is defined as the ratio of differential gain to common gain.

i.e.  $A_{d1}$

$$S = \frac{|A_{d1}|}{|A_{cm}|}$$

Ideally,  $S = \infty$ . This means that the common signals like noises are perfectly rejected by the amplifier.

Here,

$$\text{common mode gain, } A_{cm} = \frac{V_o}{V_{cm}} = \frac{V_o}{\left(\frac{V_1 + V_2}{2}\right)}$$

Differential mode gain,

$$A_d = \frac{V_o}{V_1 - V_2}$$

Now, Total o/p of any differential amplifier can be expressed

as,

$$V_o = A_d V_i + A_{cm} V_{cm}$$

$$\text{where, } V_i = V_1 - V_2$$

$$V_{cm} = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2}$$

For ideal case,  $A_d = \infty$ ,  $A_{cm} = 0$ ,  $V_i = \text{very small}$ .

#### 4) Slow rate(SR):

The slow rate of an op-amp is measured of how fast the o/p voltage can change & is measured in volt per us (V/us). If the slow rate of an op-amp is 0.5V/us, it means that the o/p from the amplifier can change by 0.5V every us.

The slow rate(SR) is defined as the maximum rate at which the o/p voltage can change, no matter how large an i/p signal is applied.

$$\text{i.e. } SR = \left| \frac{dV_{out}}{dt} \right|_{\text{max}}$$

Since frequency is a function of time, slow rate can be used to determine the maximum operating freq of an op-amp.

$$f_{\text{max}} = \frac{\text{slew rate}}{2\pi * V_p}$$

Where,  $V_p$  = peak o/p voltage.

#### 5) Input offset voltage

Input offset voltage is defined as that voltage which is to be applied both the i/p terminals to make  $V_o=0$  i.e to remove offset voltage.

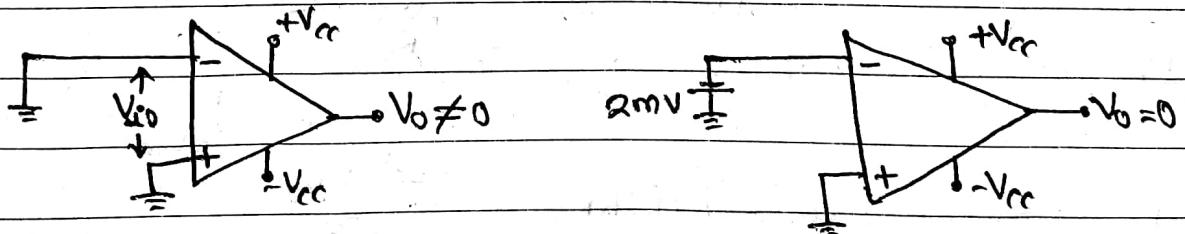
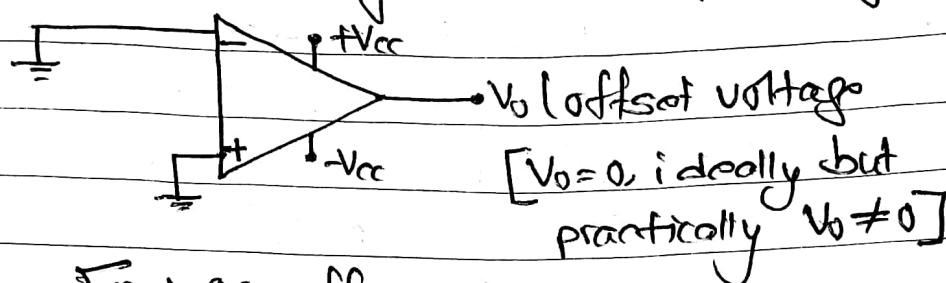


Fig: Input offset voltage.

#### 5) Output offset voltage

The o/p offset voltage is the dc voltage ( $+V_o$  or  $-V_o$ ) present at the o/p terminal when the two i/p terminals are grounded.

Ideally, the offset voltage = 0. Practically, there exists a small op voltage even though both the ips are grounded.

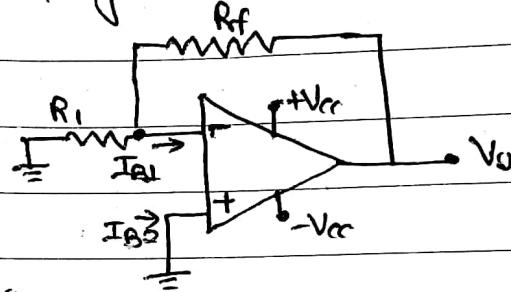


$V_0$ : op offset voltage.

### 7) Input Bias Current

The ip bias current is

$$I_B = \frac{I_{B1} + I_{B2}}{2}$$



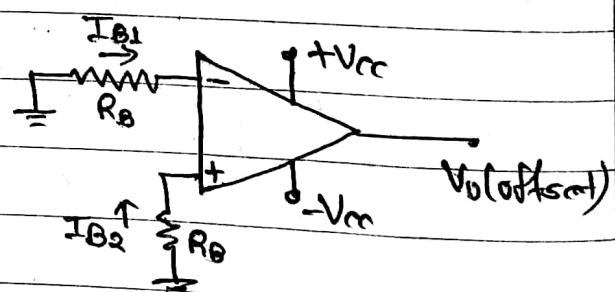
The ip bias current is very very small ( $\sim nA$ ). Although the input bias current is very small, it may cause significant op offset voltage.

### 8) Input offset current

The ip offset current is defined as the algebraic difference between the two ip bias currents  $I_{B1}$  &  $I_{B2}$ , i.e.

$$I_{in(offset)} = |I_{B2} - I_{B1}|$$

The maxm ip offset current is  $20nA(DC)$  for opamp 741.



### 9) Power supply rejection ratio(PSRR):

$$PSRR = \frac{\text{change in ip offset voltage}}{\text{change in supply voltage}}$$

$$= \frac{\Delta V_{ios}}{\Delta V_{cc}} \quad \text{for a fixed } V_{EE}$$

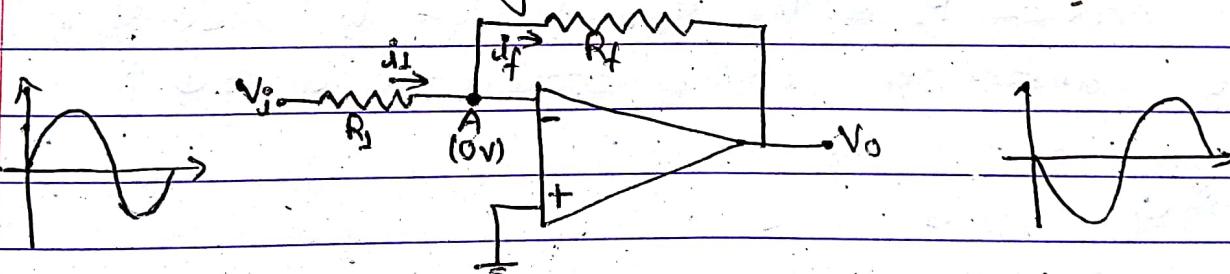
$V_{ios}$ : ip offset current.

$$\text{or, PSRR} = \frac{\Delta V_{ios}}{\Delta V_{EE}} \quad \text{for a fixed } V_{cc}.$$

## Inverting Amplifier

An op-amp can be operated as an inverting amplifier as shown in fig. below. An i/p signal  $V_i$  is applied through i/p resistor  $R_i$  to the inverting (-ve) i/p. The o/p is fed back to the same inverting i/p through a feedback resistor  $R_f$ . The non-inverting (+ve) i/p is grounded. Since the i/p signal is applied to the inverting i/p, the o/p will be inverted (i.e.  $180^\circ$  out of phase) as compared to the i/p. Hence, the name inverting amplifier.

- \* An op-amp has an infinite i/p impedance. This means that there is zero current at the inverting i/p. If there is zero current through the i/p impedance, then there must be no voltage drop both the inverting & non-inverting i/p's. This means the voltage at the inverting point or i/p is zero, because either (non-inverting) i/p is grounded. The 0V (zero volt) at the inverting i/p terminal (point A) is referred to as virtual ground.



From the figure,  $i_1 = \frac{V_i - V_A}{R_i} = \frac{V_i}{R_i} = \frac{\text{Voltage drop at } R_i}{R_i}$

$$\& i_f = \frac{V_A - V_o}{R_f} = -\frac{V_o}{R_f}$$

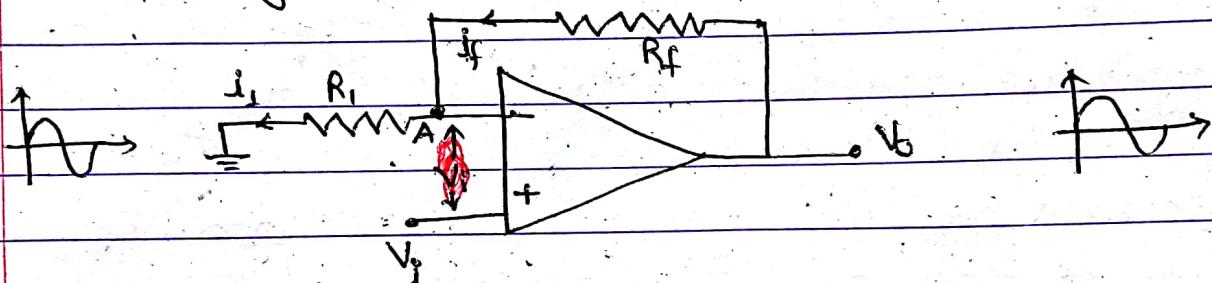
Applying KCL at node A,

$$i_1 = i_f$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_i}{R_i} = -\frac{V_o}{R_f} \Rightarrow \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -\frac{R_f}{R_i}, \text{ which is } \\ \text{voltage gain of inverting amplifier.}$$

## Non Inverting Amplifier

When an ip signal is applied to non-inverting terminal of an op-amp, then such op-amp can be used as a non-inverting op-amp. Its o/p signal will be the same polarity as ip signal as shown in fig below. The op is also fed back to ip through the feedback ckt formed by feedback resistor  $R_f$  &  $R_i$ . The resistor  $R_f$  &  $R_i$  form a voltage divider at the inverting point. Here  $R_i$  is grounded & ip signal is applied to non-inverting input, the op will be non-inverted i.e. o/p signal will be in phase with ip signal. Hence the name non-inverting amplifier.



Because of virtual short between the two op-amp terminal, voltage across  $R_i$  is the input voltage  $V_i$ . Also  $V_o$  is applied across the series combination of  $R_i$  &  $R_f$ .

Applying KVL at point A,

$$i_1 + i_f = 0$$

$$\text{or, } i_1 = -i_f$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_A}{R_i} = \frac{V_o - V_A}{R_f} \quad \text{or, } \frac{V_i}{R_i} = \frac{V_o - V_i}{R_f}$$

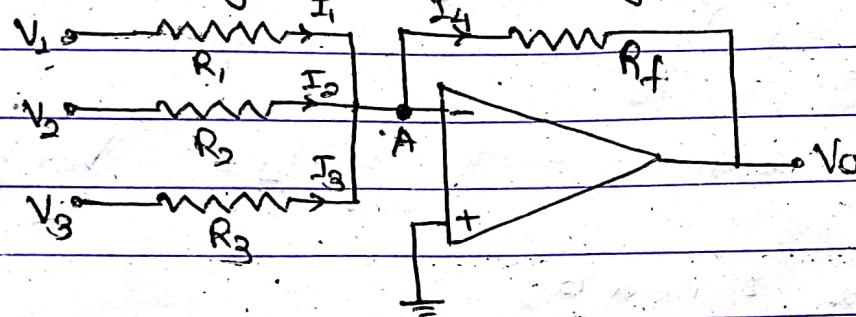
$$\text{or, } \frac{V_o}{R_f} = V_i \left( \frac{1}{R_i} + \frac{1}{R_f} \right)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \left( \frac{R_f}{R_i} + 1 \right)$$

$\therefore A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \left( 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_i} \right)$ , which is voltage gain of non-inverting op-amp.

## Adder or Summing Amplifier

A summing amplifier is an inverted op-amp that can accept two or more i/p's. The adder or summer ckt provides an o/p voltage proportional to or equal to the algebraic sum of two or more i/p voltages each multiplied by a constant gain factor.



Applying KCL at node A,

$$I_1 + I_2 + I_3 = I_4$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_1 - V_A}{R_1} + \frac{V_2 - V_A}{R_2} + \frac{V_3 - V_A}{R_3} = -\frac{V_A - V_0}{R_f}$$

Since  $V_A = 0$  Volt, due to virtual ground,

$$\frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} + \frac{V_3}{R_3} = \frac{-V_0}{R_f}$$

$$\text{or, } V_0 = - \left[ \frac{R_f}{R_1} V_1 + \frac{R_f}{R_2} V_2 + \frac{R_f}{R_3} V_3 \right]$$

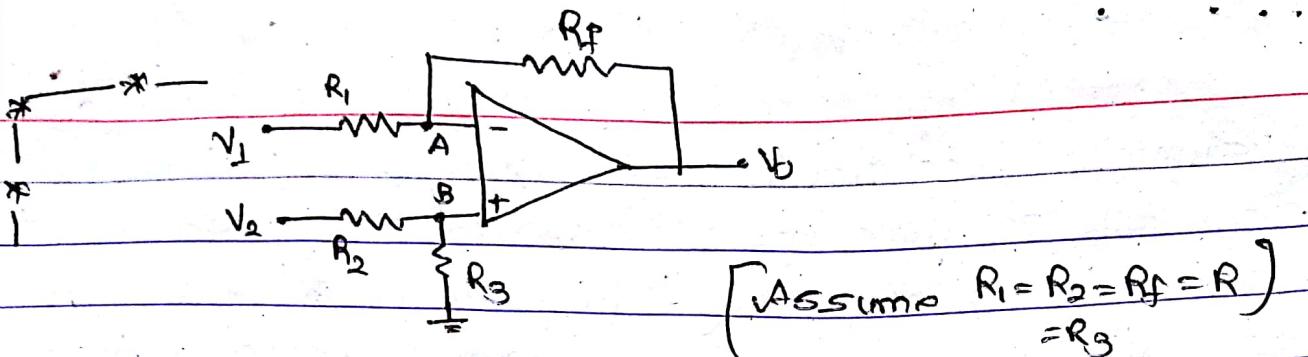
$$\text{If } R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R$$

$$\text{Then, } V_0 = - \frac{R_f}{R} (V_1 + V_2 + V_3)$$

Thus, the o/p voltage is proportional to the algebraic sum of the i/p voltages.

## Subtractor or Difference Amplifier

The subtractor or difference amplifier provides an o/p proportional to or equal to the difference of two i/p signals.



Applying KVL at node A,

$$\frac{V_A - V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_A - V_0}{R_f} = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 2V_A - V_1 = V_0 \Rightarrow V_A = \frac{V_0 + V_1}{2}$$

Applying KVL at node B,

$$\frac{V_B - V_2}{R_2} + \frac{V_B}{R} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2V_B = V_2$$

$$\text{or, } V_B = \frac{V_2}{2}$$

By virtual ground concept,

$$V_A = V_B$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_0 + V_1}{2} = \frac{V_2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_0 = V_2 - V_1$$

Thus, the circuit is called subtractor circuit.

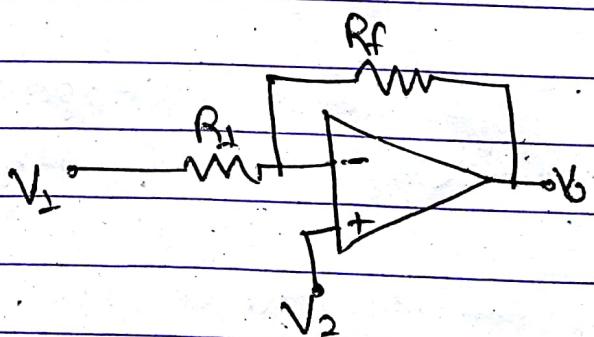
OR

According to superposition theorem,

$$V_0 = V_{01} + V_{02}$$

where,  $V_{01}$  = O/P reduced by  $V_1$  alone

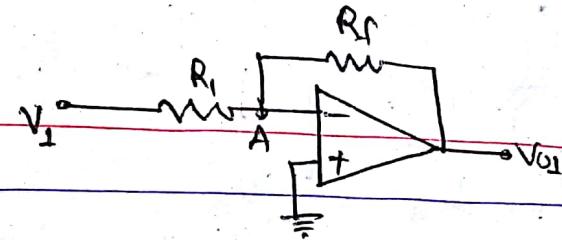
$V_{02}$  = " " by  $V_2$  alone



Considering  $V_1$  alone,

Here,

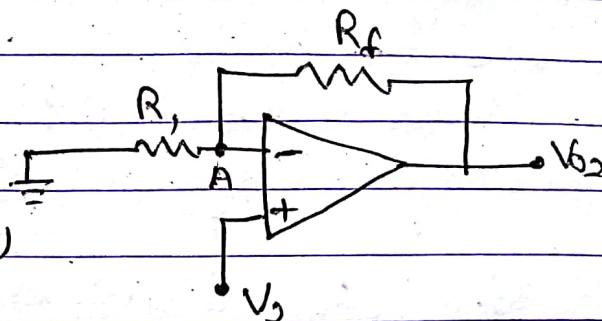
$$V_{o1} = -\frac{R_f}{R_1} V_1 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$



Considering  $V_2$  alone,

Here,

$$V_{o2} = \left(1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}\right) V_2 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$



Applying KCL at node A;

$$\frac{V_A - 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_A - V_{o2}}{R_f} = 0$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_2}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_f} - \frac{V_{o2}}{R_f} = 0 \quad (\because V_A = V_2, \text{ virtual ground})$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_{o2}}{R_f} = V_2 \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_f} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{o2} = \left( 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1} \right) V_2$$

From eqn (i) & (ii), by superposition theorem,

$$V_o = V_{o1} + V_{o2}$$

$$= -\frac{R_f}{R_1} V_1 + \left( 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1} \right) V_2$$

$$= -\frac{R_f}{R_1} V_1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1} V_2$$

$$\left[ \because \frac{R_f}{R_1} \gg 1, 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1} \approx \frac{R_f}{R_1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{R_f}{R_1} (V_2 - V_1)$$

$$\therefore V_o = \frac{R_f}{R_1} (V_2 - V_1)$$

The op voltage is proportional to difference of i/p voltages.

## Differentiator

The function of the differentiator is to provide an o/p which is proportional to the rate of change of i/p voltage.

$$\text{As we know, current } (i) = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Also, } Q = CV$$

$$\text{So, } i_1 = \frac{d(CV_{in})}{dt} = C \frac{dV_{in}}{dt} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

And from figure,

$$j_2 = \frac{V_A - V_o}{R_f} = \frac{-V_o}{R_f} \quad [V_A = 0, \text{ virtual ground}]$$

Apply KCL at node A,

$$j_1 = j_2$$

$$\text{or, } C \frac{dV_{in}}{dt} = \frac{-V_o}{R_f}$$

$$\text{or, } V_o = -R_f C \frac{dV_{in}}{dt}$$

Thus, o/p voltage is proportional to the derivative of the i/p voltage with having scale factor as  $-R_f C$ .

## Integrator

An integrator provides an o/p voltage which is proportional to the integral of input voltage.

From ckt diagram,

$$j_1 = \frac{V_{in} - V_A}{R} = \frac{V_{in}}{R}$$

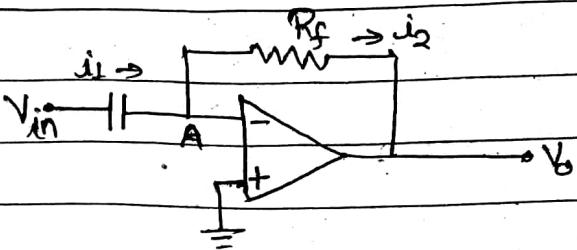


Fig: Opamp as differentiator

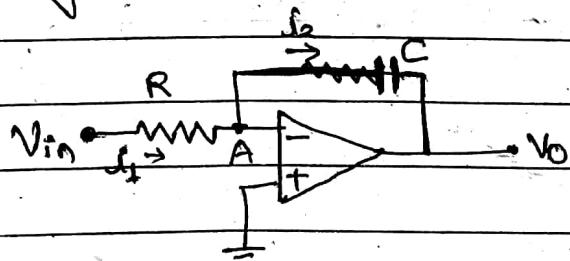


Fig: Op-amp as integrator

$$\text{and, } i_2 = C \frac{dV_o}{dt} = -C \frac{dV_o}{dt}$$

$$[ \because V_A - V_B = V_C \Rightarrow V_C = -V_B ]$$

Applying KCL at node A,

$$i_1 = i_2$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{V_{in}}{R} = -C \frac{dV_o}{dt}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dV_o}{dt} = \frac{-V_{in}}{RC}$$

On integrating both sides,

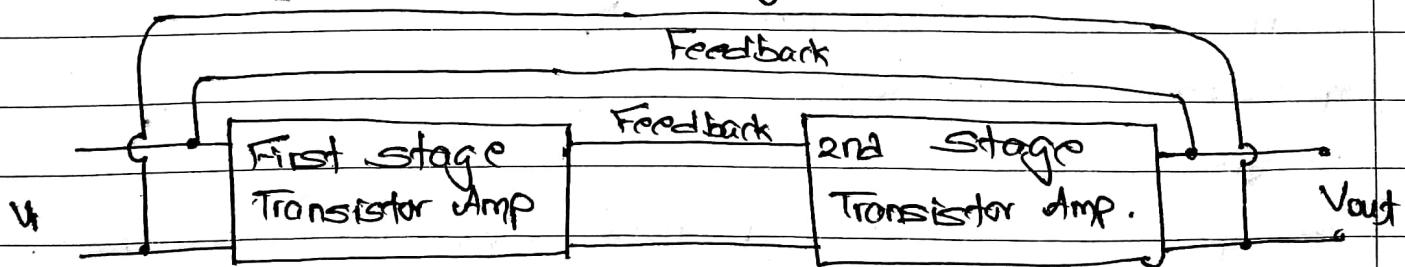
$$V_o = -\frac{1}{RC} \int_0^t V_{in} dt$$

This eqn shows that o/p is integral of ip with inversion & scale multiplier of  $1/RC$ .

## Multivibrators

An electronic circuit that generates square wave or other non-sinusoidal such as rectangular, triangular waves is known as multivibrators.

It is basically two-stage amplifier with o/p of one feedback to ip of other as shown in fig. below.



Depending upon the manner in which the two stages interchanges their states, multivibrators are classified as,

- 1) Astable or free-running multivibrator
- 2) Mono-stable or one-shot "
- 3) Bi-stable or flip-flop "

## Astable Multivibrator | Square Wave Generator

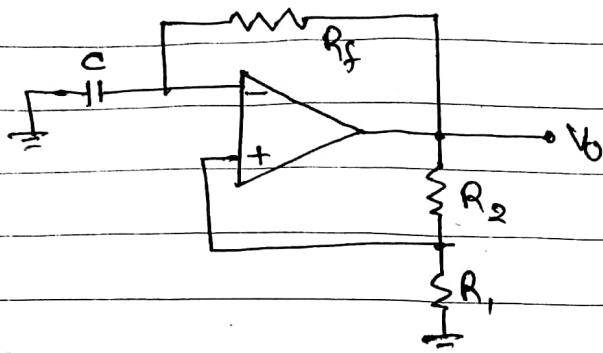


Fig: Square wave generator.

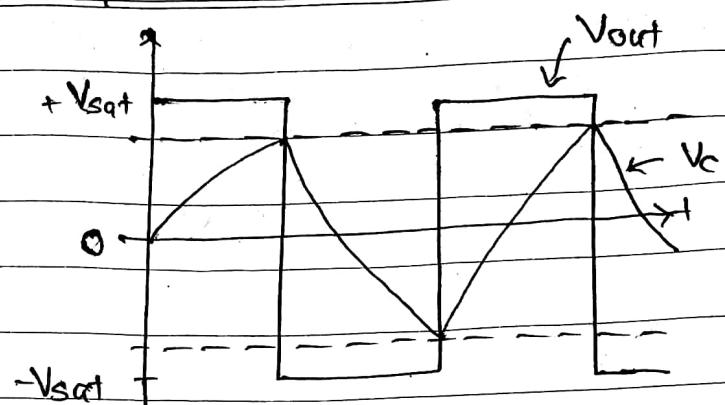


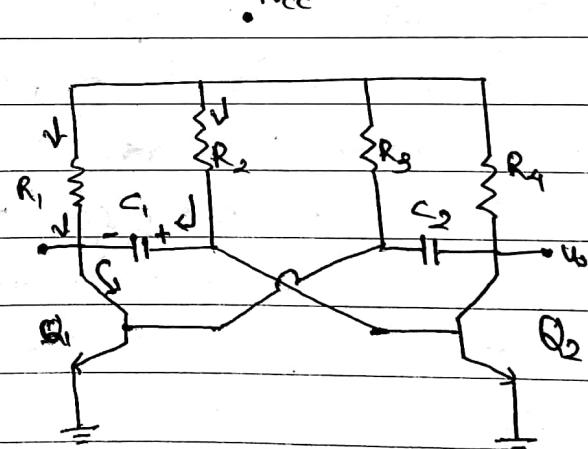
Fig: O/p waveform.

- At first, let o/p is  $+V_{sat}$ ,
- At the instant of turning ON, capacitor starts to charge through  $R$ . It slowly develops the voltage  $V_c$  across the capacitor which is also the voltage connected to an inverting terminal.

⇒ An astable multivibrator is also known as free-running multivibrator. It is called free running because it has no stable state i.e. it alternates betn two different o/p voltage levels during the time it is ON.

The o/p remains at each voltage level for a definite period of time (if you look at this o/p on oscilloscope). You would see continuous square or rectangular waveform. The astable multivibrator is said to oscillate.

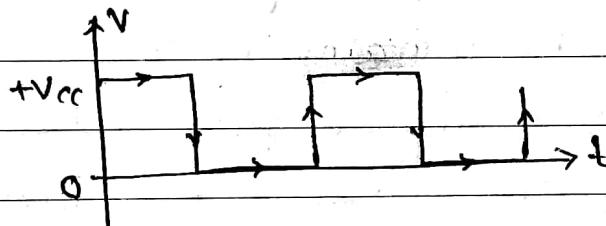
To understand why the astable multivibrator is said to oscillate. Assume that  $Q_1$  saturates and  $Q_2$  is cutoff



when circuit is energized. The capacitor  $C_1$  gets charged as polarity shown in figure. As capacitor gets sufficiently charged then Base of next transistor  $Q_2$  will be true and  $Q_2$  turns ON as well as collector of  $Q_2$  will drop to zero (0) volt and  $Q_1$  turns off & collector of  $Q_1$  becomes  $V_{cc}$ .

Now  $C_2$  starts to charge and when sufficient voltage is build up in  $C_2$ , then  $C_2$  turns the  $Q_1$  and  $Q_1$  turns ON and  $Q_2$  turns OFF. In this way when  $Q_1$  turns ON  $C_1$  will force  $Q_2$  to turn OFF and vice-versa.

So  $\text{v}_o$  from collector of any transistor is changed from  $V_{cc}$  to 0.



## Moving stable Multivibrator

Here,  $Q_1$  &  $Q_2$  are connected as shown in figure. It is called monostable because o/p remains stable during one cycle. Two transistors  $Q_1$  &  $Q_2$  are similar & matched to each other.

The value of  $R_5$  &  $-V_{BB}$  are chosen such as to reverse bias  $Q_1$  & keep it at cutoff. The collector supply  $V_{CC}$  &  $R_2$  forward biased  $Q_2$  & keep it at saturation, so o/p at A,  $V_O = 0$ . This state is stable & it remains in this state.

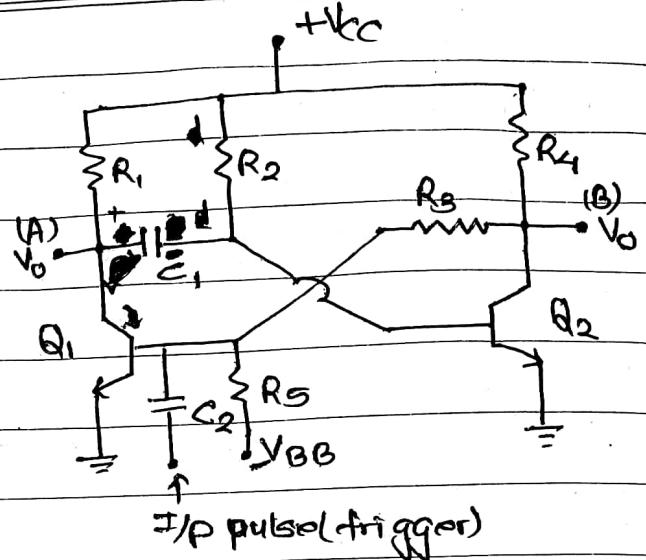
To change the state, trigger pulse should be applied through the capacitor  $C_2$ . When the trigger pulse is of sufficient amplitude, it will make  $Q_1$  conduct and into saturation. So o/p at A,  $V_O = 0$ . Now the capacitor  $C_1$  charges in a direction as shown in figure. But capacitor  $C_1$  provides -ve to the transistor  $Q_2$  & transistor remains in cutoff.

But this state doesn't remain for long, as capacitor  $C_2$  starts to discharge and within small time base of  $Q_1$  becomes negative (-ve) and  $Q_1$  becomes cutoff and initial state is retained.

Generally,

stable state :  $Q_2 = \text{ON}$  &  $Q_1 = \text{OFF}$

As trigger is applied :  $Q_1 = \text{ON}$  &  $Q_2 = \text{OFF}$ . But this state doesn't remain long & return to stable state.



## Barkhausen Criteria for Oscillation

The closed loop gain of the feedback amplifier is,

$$A_f = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{A}{1 - AB}$$

where, A = gain of an Amplifier

& B = feedback ratio (factor)

When  $AB = 1$ ,

$$A_f = \frac{A}{1 - 1} = \frac{A}{0} = \infty$$

This means o/p may appear with very small i/p,  
ideally no i/p can also produce an output.

So, Barkhausen criteria for oscillations are as  
given below:

- 1) Loop gain must be unity, i.e.  $AB = 1$
- 2) There must be +ve feedback i.e. i/p and feedback  
should be in same phase (Total phase shift must  
be  $0^\circ$  or  $360^\circ$ ).

## Oscillator

An electronic device that generates oscillations of  
desired frequency is known as oscillator. A transistor  
amplifier with proper positive feedback can acts as  
an oscillator i.e. it can generate oscillations without any  
external signal source.

# 1) Wein Bridge Oscillator

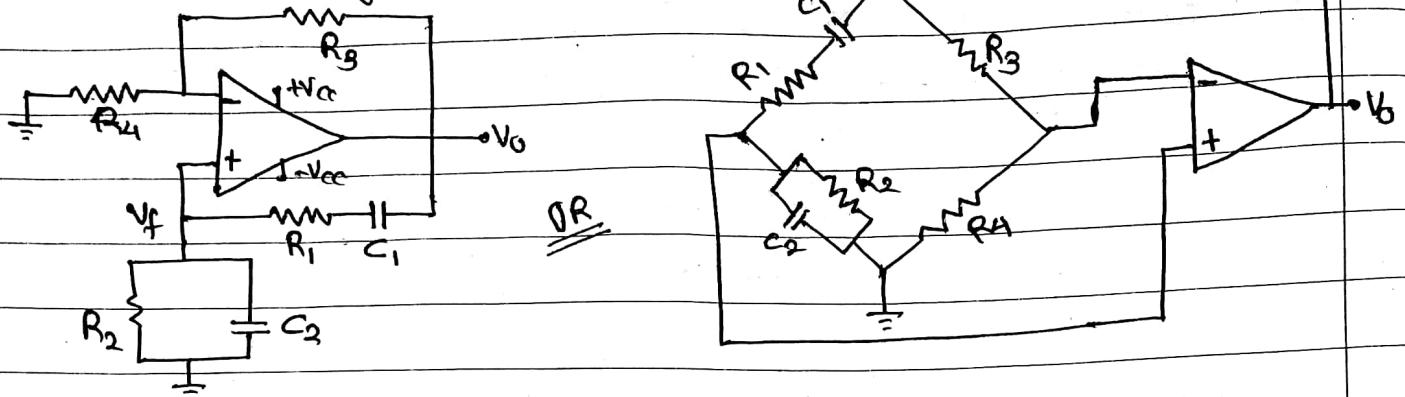


Fig: Wein Bridge oscillator

Here, the feedback signal  $V_f$  is connected to the non-inverting i/p terminal so the op-amp works as a non-inverting amplifier.

Here,

$$Z_1 = R_1 - j\omega C_1$$

$$Z_3 = R_3$$

$$Z_4 = R_4$$

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{R_2} + j\omega C_2$$

Neglecting the effect of op-amp i/p & o/p impedance,  
At balanced condition,

$$Z_1 \cdot Z_4 = Z_2 \cdot Z_3$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{(R_1 - j\omega C_1) \times R_4}{Z_2} = R_3$$

$$\text{or, } R_3 = \left( \frac{R_1 - j}{\omega C_1} \right) \times R_4 \times \left( \frac{1}{R_2} + j\omega C_2 \right)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{R_3}{R_4} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} + j\omega R_1 C_2 - \frac{j}{\omega R_2 C_1} + \frac{C_2}{C_1}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{R_3}{R_4} + \frac{j}{\omega R_2 C_1} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} + \frac{C_2}{C_1} + j \omega R_1 C_2$$

On equating real & imaginary parts,

$$\frac{R_3}{R_4} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} + \frac{C_2}{C_1} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\& \frac{j}{\omega R_2 C_1} = j \omega R_1 C_2 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\text{or, } \omega^2 = \frac{1}{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}$$

$$\text{or, } f = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}}$$

If  $R_1 = R_2 = R$  &  $C_1 = C_2 = C$

Then,

$$\text{frequency of oscillation, } f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

Now from eqn (i)

$$\frac{R_3}{R_4} = 1+1 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow R_3 = 2R_4$$

Thus the ratio of  $R_3$  to  $R_4$  greater than 2 will provide sufficient loop gain for the circuit to oscillate at the frequency calculated above.

## 2) RC Phase Shift Oscillator

It consists of a negative gain operational amplifier & 3 section of RC  $\eta/\omega$  that produces  $180^\circ$  phase shift. The phase shift  $\eta/\omega$  is connected from op-amp o/p back to its inverting terminal.

As inverting op-amp provides  $180^\circ$  phase shift and  $3 \text{RC } \eta/\omega$  provides  $180^\circ$  phase shift, the total phase shift becomes  $360^\circ$ , which is one of criteria for oscillation.

If all resistor R & capacitors C in the phaseshift oscillators are equal in value, then freq of oscillation is given by,

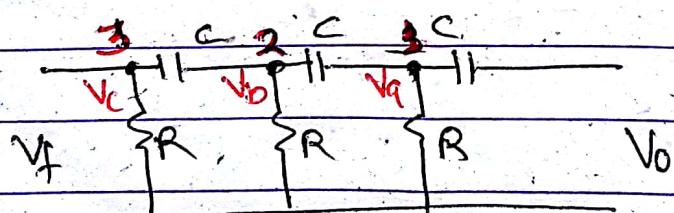
$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi RC \sqrt{2} N}$$

Where, R = resistance in  $\Omega$

C = capacitance in F

N = no. of RC stages

$f_o$  = o/p freq in Hz



Applying KCL at nodes 1, 2 & 3,

$$\frac{V_f - V_b}{jX_C} + \frac{V_b}{R} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{V_b - V_f}{-jX_c} + \frac{V_b}{R} + \frac{V_b - V_f}{-jX_c} = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

&

$$\frac{V_a - V_0}{-jX_c} + \frac{V_a}{R} + \frac{V_a - V_b}{-jX_c} = 0 \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

On solving eqn (i), (ii) & (iii),

$$\frac{V_f}{V_b} = \beta = \frac{R^3}{(R^3 - 5RX_c^2) + j(X_c^3 - 6R^2X_c)}$$

$\beta$  must be pure real for  $\pm 180^\circ$  phase shift.

$$\text{i.e. } X_c^3 - 6R^2X_c = 0$$

$$\text{or, } X_c^2 = 6R^2$$

$$\text{or, } \left(\frac{1}{2\pi f C}\right)^2 = 6R^2$$

$$\text{or, } f = \frac{1}{2\pi CR\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{2\pi RC\sqrt{6}} \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

Thus for oscillation,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \frac{R^3}{(R^3 - 5RX_c^2)} = \frac{R^3}{R^3 - 5R \times (6R^2)} \\ &= \frac{R^3}{-29R^3} = -\frac{1}{29} \end{aligned}$$

Since for oscillation,

$$AB = 1 \quad \text{or, } A(-\frac{1}{29}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -29$$

$$\text{Also we have, } A = -R_f/R$$

$$\text{or, } -29 = -R_f/R$$

$$\Rightarrow R_f = 29R$$

### 3) Tuned LC Oscillator

LC oscillator uses inductance capacitance ckt as their oscillator ckt. LC oscillators are very popular for generation of high freq opamp. There is large variety of LC oscillator such as Hartley, colpitts oscillator.

#### i) Hartley Oscillator

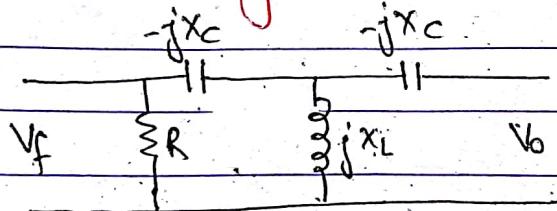
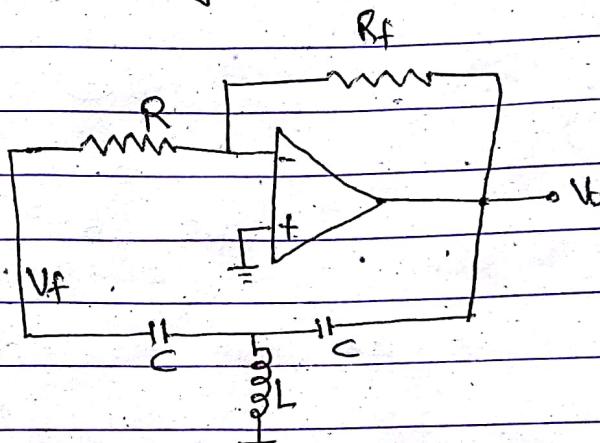


Fig: Feedback Network



An OP-amp Hartley oscillator is shown in figure. The inverting op-amp provides  $180^\circ$  phase shift. In order to get total phase shift of  $360^\circ$ , the LC ckt provides extra  $180^\circ$  phase shift. Hence feedback is inductive.

Now, applying KCL at node 1 & node 2, we get

$$\frac{V_f}{V_o} = \beta = \frac{-R_1 X_C X_L}{(R_1 X_C^2 - R_1 X_C X_L) + j(2 X_L X_C^2 - X_C^3)} \quad (i)$$

Now the value of  $\beta$  must be pure real no. for  $180^\circ$  phase shift i.e.

$$2 X_L X_C - X_C^3 = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 2 X_L = X_C$$

$$\text{or, } 2 \omega_L = \frac{1}{\omega_C}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = \frac{1}{2LC}$$

$$\text{or, } f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} \quad (ii)$$

$$\beta = \frac{-R_1 X_C X_L}{R_1 X_C^2 - R_1 X_C X_L} = \frac{-R_1 X_C \cdot X_C/2}{R_1 X_C^2 - R_1 X_C \cdot \frac{X_C}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{-R_1 X_C^2/2}{R_1 X_C^2/2} = -1$$

Since for oscillation  $\beta A$  must be unity.

$$\text{i.e. } A\beta = 1$$

$$\text{or, } A = -1$$

$$\text{or, } -\frac{R_f}{R} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow R_f = R$$

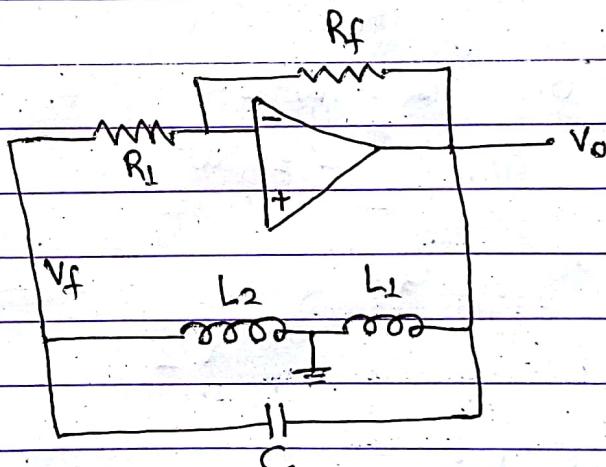
Also,

Here,

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_{eq}C}}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{eq} &= L_1 + L_2 + 2M \\ &= L_1 + L_2 \end{aligned}$$



[ $\therefore M$  = mutual inductance, if  $M$  is not given  $= 0$   
else  $M$  = given]

## ii) Colpitts Oscillator

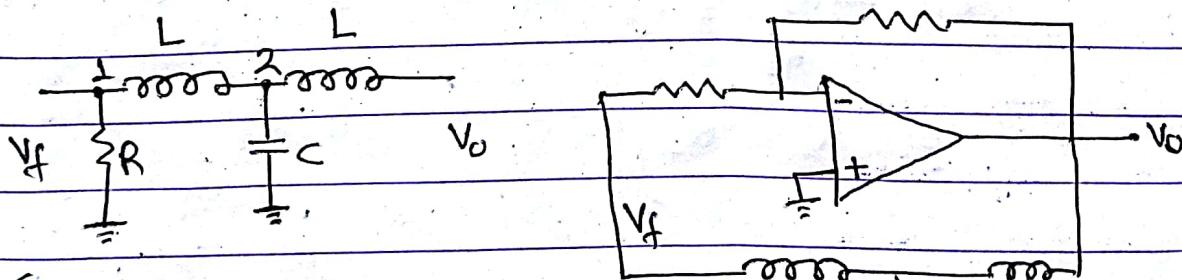


Fig: Feedback n/w

Fig: Colpitts Oscillator

An op-amp Colpitts oscillator is shown in figure. The inverting op-amp provides  $180^\circ$  phase shift. In order to get total phase shift of  $360^\circ$ , the LC ckt provides  $180^\circ$  phase shift. Here the feedback ckt is capacitive.

Now applying KCL at node 1 & node 3 & solving

$$\frac{V_f}{V_o} = \beta = \frac{1}{(1 - \omega^2 LC) + j(\frac{2\omega L - \omega^3 L^2 C}{R_L})} \quad \text{(i)}$$

For  $180^\circ$  phase shift,  $\beta$  must be pure real no. i.e.

$$2\omega L - \omega^3 L^2 C = 0$$

$$R_L$$

$$\text{or, } 2 = \omega^2 LC \quad \text{(ii)}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{2}{LC} = \omega^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\frac{LC}{2}}} \quad \text{(iii)}$$

Now,

$$\beta = \frac{1}{1 - \omega^2 LC} = \frac{1}{1 - 2} = -1$$

$$\therefore \beta = -1$$

Since  $AB$  must be unity for oscillation.

$$AB = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -1$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{-R_f}{R_1} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow R_f = R_1$$

Also,

Here,

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{L C_{eq}}}$$

Where,

$$C_{eq} = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

