# First SPICE Exercise

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# 1 Audio amplifier

# 1.1 Voltage gain and frequency domain - Ideal op. amp.

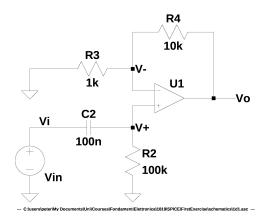


Figure 1: Audio amplifier - Ideal op. amp.

By the analysis of the figure 1's circuit, It's possible to calculate the node  $V_+$  voltage from the ratio of the voltage divider formed by  $R_2$  and  $C_2$ , infact the node  $V_+$  voltage is the same voltage of the resistance  $R_2$  (equation 1).

$$V_{+}(s) = V_{in}(s) \frac{R_2}{R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_2}} = V_{in}(s) \frac{R_2}{R_2 + \frac{1}{sC_2}} \frac{sC_2}{sC_2} = V_{in}(s) \frac{sC_2R_2}{1 + sC_2R_2}$$
(1)

The negative feedback produces the virtual short circuit effect, so the  $V_-$  and the  $V_+$  voltages have virtually the same value (equation 2), and, because of the fact that the ideal operational amplifier  $U_1$  isn't absorbe current from the  $V_-$  and the  $V_+$  nodes, the current of  $I_{R_4}$  is the same current of  $I_{R_3}$  (equation 3). The current  $I_{R_3}$  is calculated by the Ohm law (equation 4).

$$V_{-} = V_{+} \tag{2}$$

$$I_{R_4} = I_{R_3} (3)$$

$$I_{R_3} = \frac{V_-}{R_3} = \frac{V_+}{R_3} \tag{4}$$

By combining the past considerations it's possible to define the output voltage  $V_o$  relating to the voltage input  $V_{in}$  (equation 5).

$$V_{o}(s) = V_{+}(s) + R_{4}I_{R_{4}} = V_{+}(s) + R_{4}I_{R_{3}} = V_{+}(s) + R_{4} \cdot \frac{V_{+}(s)}{R_{3}} = V_{+}(s) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_{4}}{R_{3}}\right) = V_{in}(s) \frac{sC_{2}R_{2}}{1 + sC_{2}R_{2}} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_{4}}{R_{3}}\right) = V_{in}(s) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_{4}}{R_{3}}\right) = V_{in}$$

Consequently of the equation 5, the transfer funtion  $V_o(s)/V_{in}(s)$  is descripted by the equation 6.

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{sC_2R_2}{1 + sC_2R_2} \left(1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}\right) \tag{6}$$

Defining K as in the equation 7 and  $\omega_1$  as in the equation 8, the transfer function  $V_o(s)/V_{in}(s)$  became in the Bode form (equation 9).

$$K = C_2 R_2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}\right) \tag{7}$$

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{C_2 R_2} \tag{8}$$

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = K \frac{s}{1 + s \frac{1}{\omega_i}} \tag{9}$$

Finally it's possible to calculate the frequency domain by the analysis of the transfer function's Bode form (equations 10 and 11).

$$K|_{dB} = 20\log_{10}|K| = \log_{10}\left|C_2R_2\cdot\left(1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}\right)\right| = -19.1722dB$$
 (10)

$$\log_{10}|\omega_1| = \log_{10}\left|\frac{1}{C_2R_2}\right| = 2.0000\tag{11}$$

## 1.2 Voltage output waveform - LT1028 op. amp.

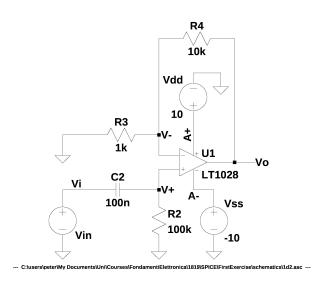


Figure 2: Audio amplifier - LT1028 op. amp.

From now it's considered the circuit of the figure 2.

In order to simulate the waveform output voltage with a sinusoidal voltage input  $V_{in}$  with an amplitude of 10mV and the frequencies of 1Hz, 10Hz and 10kHz, it's possible to use a SPICE transient analysis.

### 1.2.1 Netlist

It's presented the netlist for the SPICE analysis requested.

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XU1 V+ V- A+ A- Vo LT1028
* Capacitances
C2 Vi V+ 100n
* Generators
Vin Vi 0 DC 0 AC 1 sin (0 10mV {F} 0 0 0)
Vdd A+ 0 DC 10
Vss A- 0 DC -10
* Resistances
R2 V+ 0 100k
R3 V- 0 1k
R4 Vo V- 10k
* Analysis
.step param F list 1Hz 10Hz 100Hz
. tran 0 250m 0 1m uic
.END
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#### 1.2.2 Graph

This graph is the output of the last netlist presented. There are three curves, one for every frequency analyzed (1Hz, 10Hz and 10kHz).

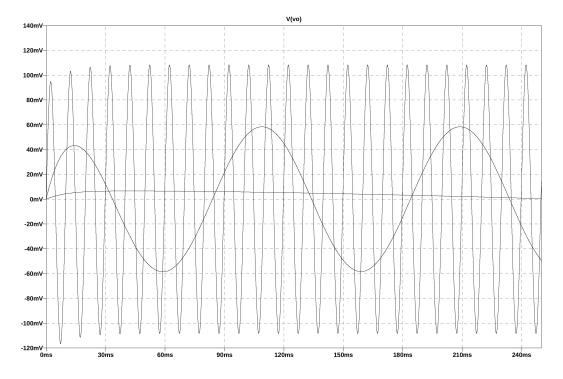


Figure 3: Audio Amplifier - Voltage output waveform

# 1.3 Bode plot - LT1028 op. amp.

The Bode plot could be generated with a SPICE small signal AC analysis.

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Audio Amplifier - Bode diagram
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#### 1.3.2 Graph

The Bode plot generated could be visible in the figure 4. The continuos line represents the module of the transfer function and the dashed line represents the phase.

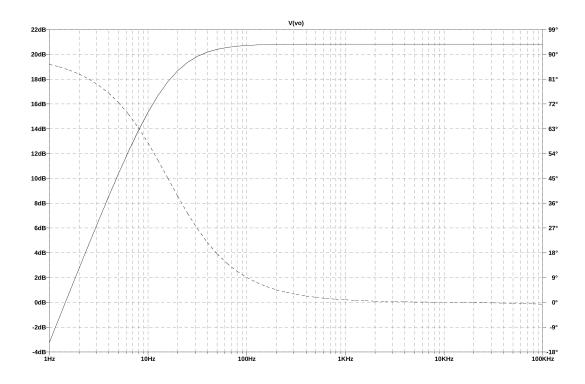


Figure 4: Audio Amplifier - Bode plot

# 1.4 Saturation - LT1028 op. amp.