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- Differential Amplifiers: Amplifies input voltages between inverting and non-inverting terminals.
- High input impedance
- Low output impedance
- $V_{out} = A [V_{in(+)} - V_{in(-)}]$
- Ideally gain is infinity. In reality it's around  $10^6$
- So for even small difference in input voltage the output voltage saturates to the supply voltages. (~5V)
- Gain and frequency are inversely related
- Feedback (negative) is most of the time applied to inverting terminal to control the open loop voltage gain.

## ASSUMPTIONS:

1.  $V_{in(-)}$  and  $V_{in(+)}$  should always have the same voltage.
2. There is no input currents

# OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS: REAL WORLD COMPLICATIONS

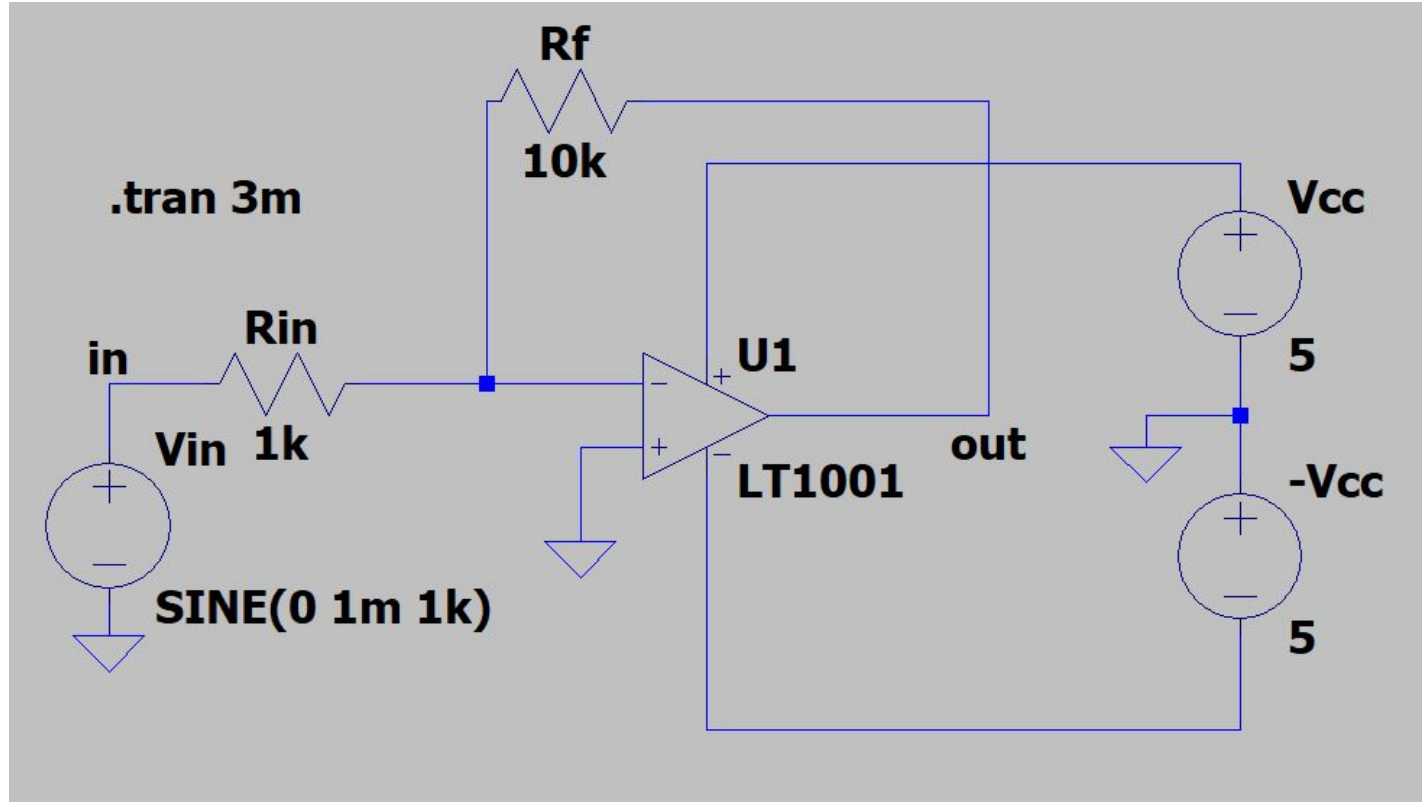
- **Rail to Rail amplifiers** -> swing is bound by supply voltages  $V(+)$  and  $V(-)$ . For higher voltage op amps there is a headroom above and below these bounds.
- **Offset Voltage:** Minute difference  $V_{in}(+)$  and  $V_{in}(-)$ .
- **Input bias current:** Current into terminals.
- **Slew Rate:** Rate at which voltage changes in a non instantaneous manner.
  - Slew rate =  $2\pi \cdot V_{peak} \cdot f_{max}$  (usually in V/us)
- **Bandwidth:** points beyond where op amp is not fast enough to reproduce signal, i.e. slew rate is not fast enough

# BASIC CIRCUITS

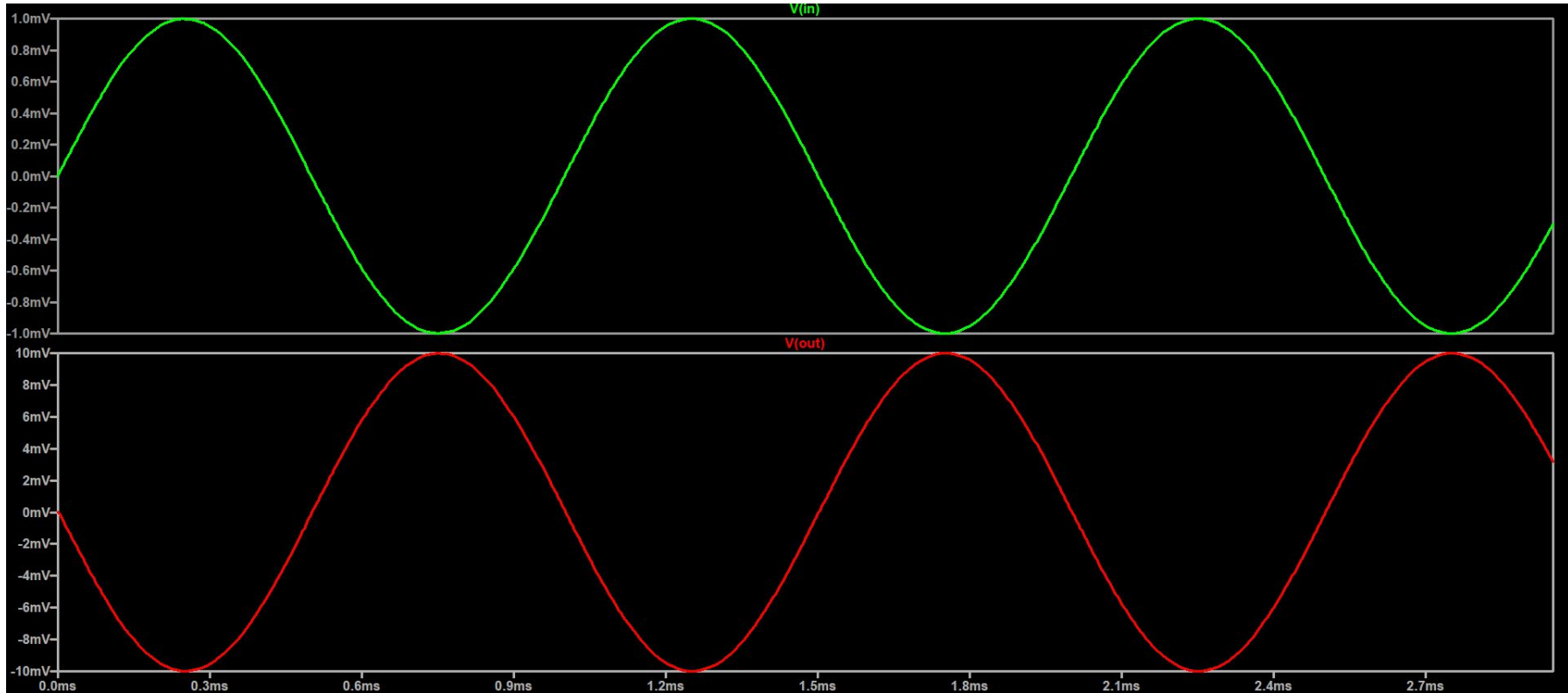
# INVERTING AMPLIFIER

$$G = -R_f / R_i =$$
$$10e3 / 1e3 = -10$$

Input impedance  
=  $R_i$



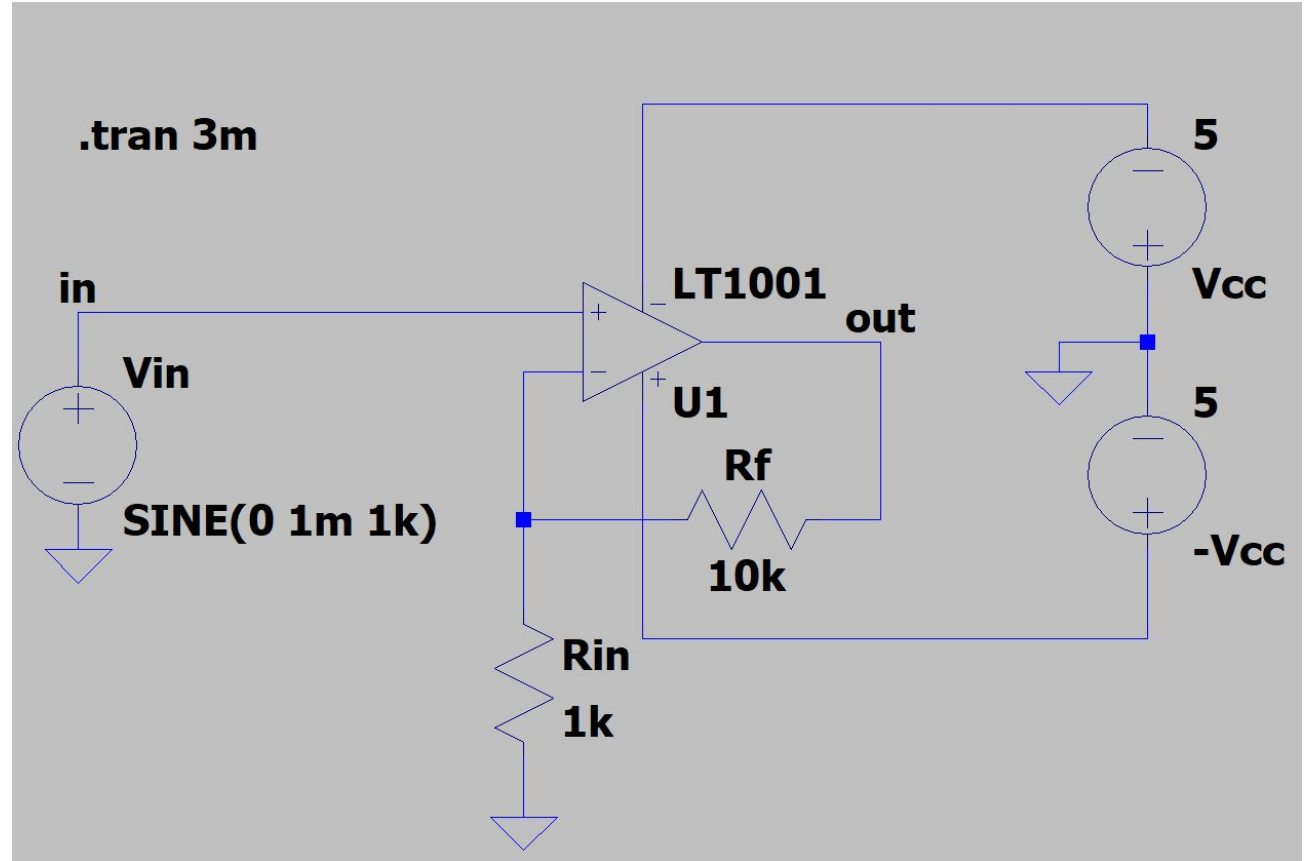
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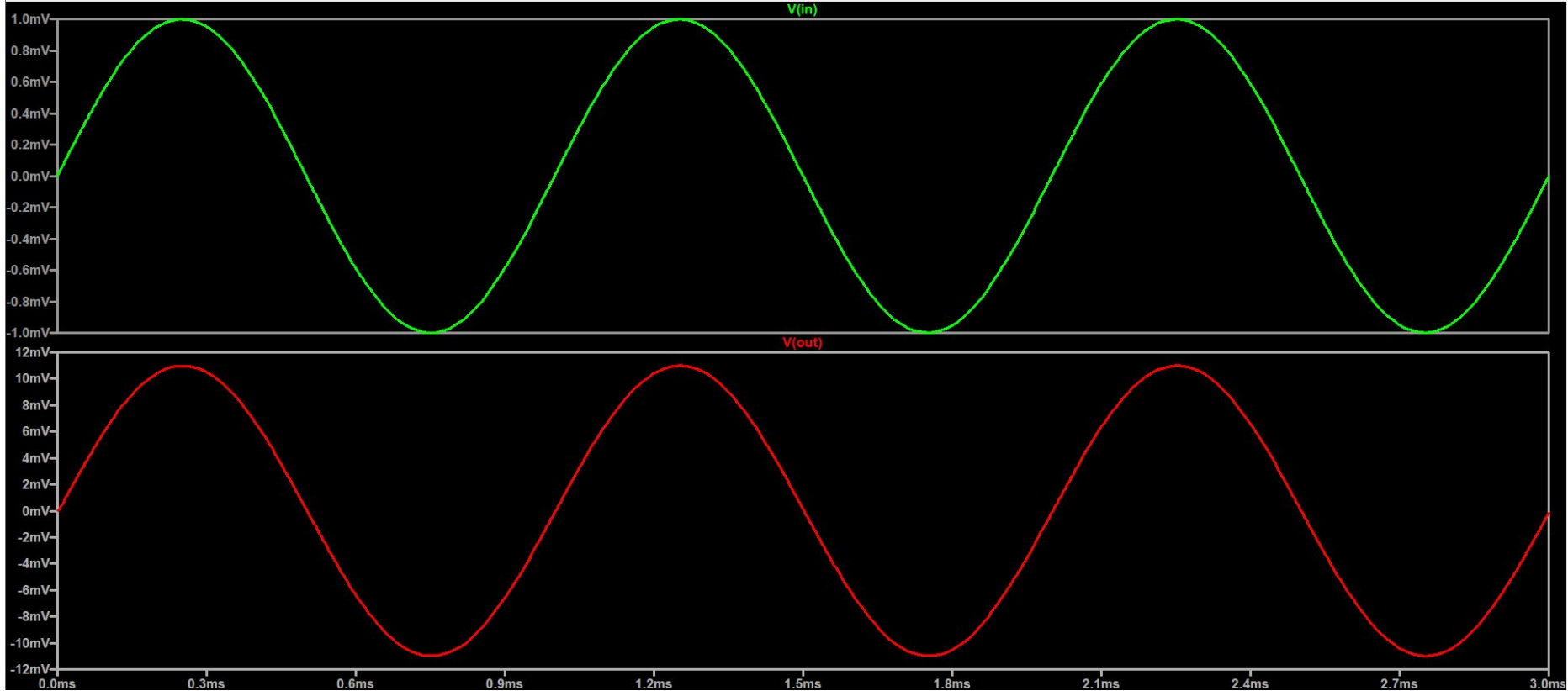
# NON-INVERTING AMPLIFIER

$$G = 1 + R_f / R_i =$$
$$1 + 10e3 / 1e3 =$$
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Input impedance is high  
equal to op amp  
impedance



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# VOLTAGE FOLLOWER / BUFFER

$R_i = \text{infinity}$

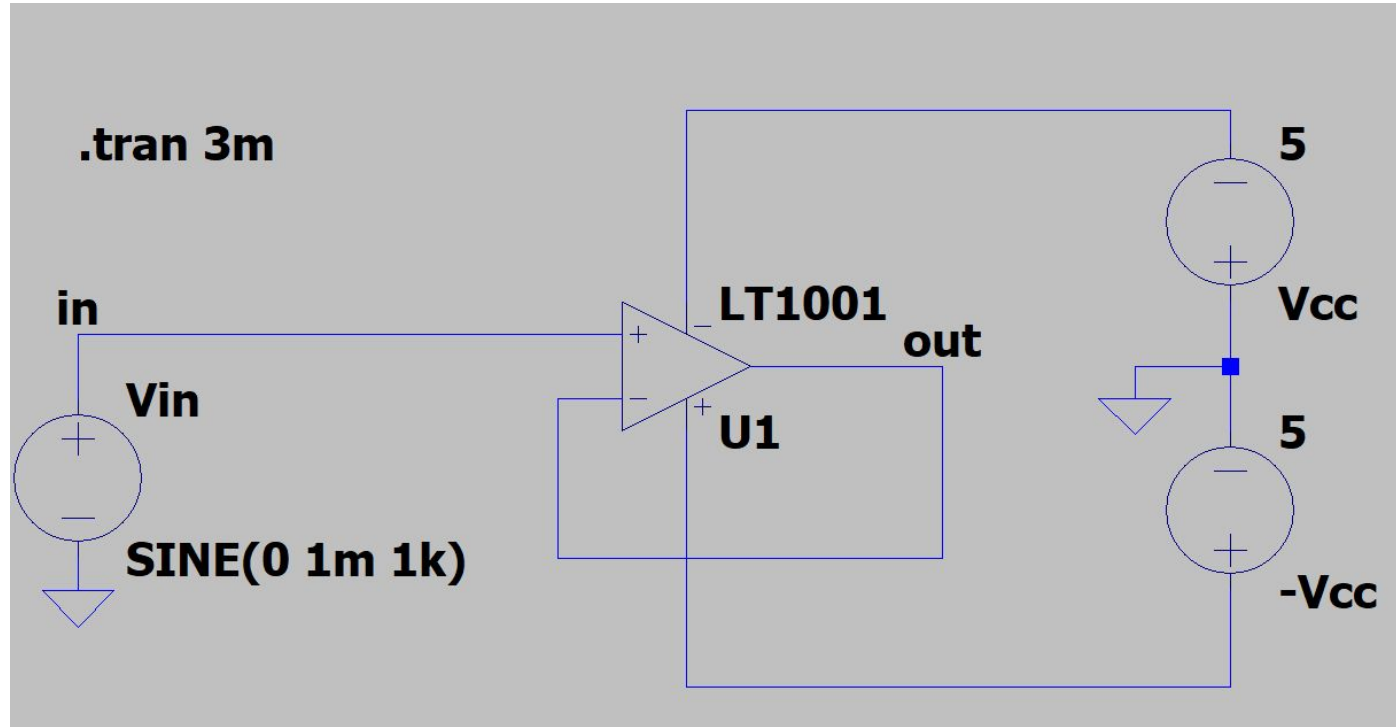
$R_f = 0$

Gain = 1

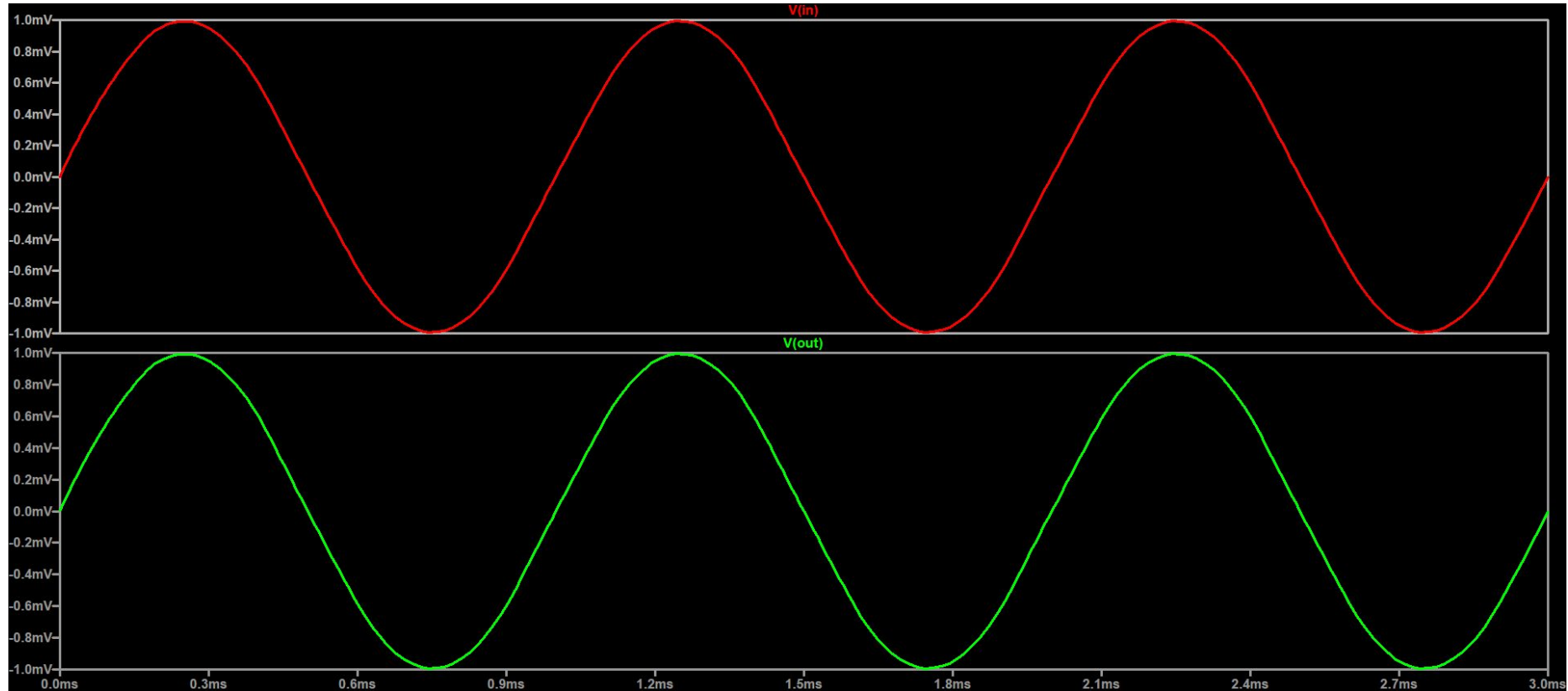
Output voltage follows  
input voltage.

Input impedance is  
equal to op amp gain.

So it acts as buffer,  
i.e. separating input and  
output circuits with high  
impedance but with  
same voltage.

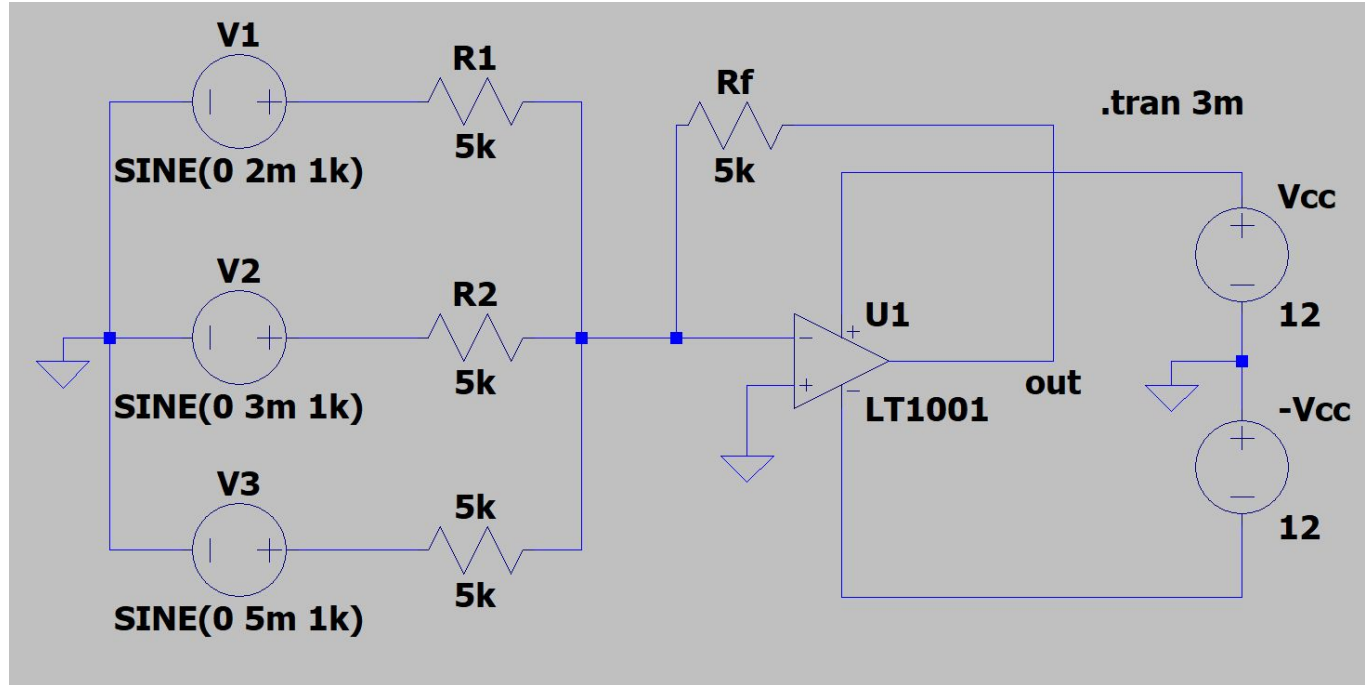


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# SUMMING AMPLIFIER

$$\begin{aligned}V_{out} &= -R_f[V_1/R_1 + V_2/R_2 + V_3/R_3] \\&= 5k[2m/5k + 3m/5k + 5m/5k] \\&= 10mV\end{aligned}$$



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