Lecture 4

Operational Amplifiers



The Op. Amp (OA)

- When combined with resistors, <u>capacitors</u>, and inductors,
 OA can perform various functions:
 - amplification/scaling
 - sign changing
 - addition/subtraction/multiplication/division
 - integration
 - differentiation
 - analog filtering
 - nonlinear functions (exponential, log, sqrt)

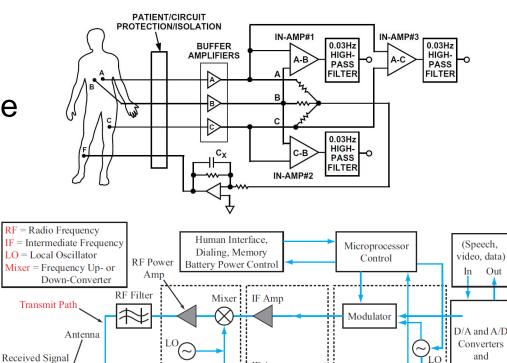




Where do You Use Op AMP?

- Signal generators
- Audio amplifiers
- Hearing aids
- Medical sensor interface
- Baseband receivers
- A/D converters
- Oscillators
- Voltage regulators
- Active filters





IF Amp

IF Block

RF Low Mixer

Noise Amp

RF Front-End

Filters

Baseband

Demodulator

Back-End

Receive Path

Transmitted Signal Diplexer/Filter

Antenna and Propagation



Brief History

- The Operational Amplifier (op amp) was invented in the 40's.
 - Bell Labs filed a patent in 1941.
- Many consider the first practical op amp to be the vacuum tube K2-W invented in 1952 by George Philbrick.
- Bob Widlar at Fairchild invented the uA702 op amp in 1963.
- Until uA741, released in 1968, op amps became relatively inexpensive and started on the road to ubiquity.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operational_amplifier

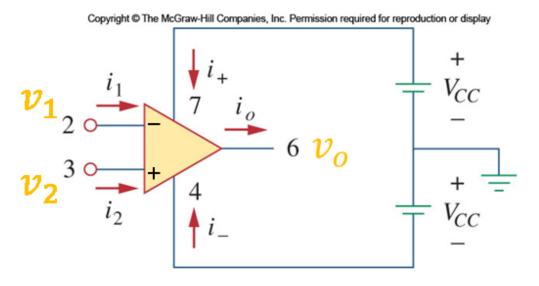


Input and Output

 The voltage output of an op-amp is proportional to the voltage difference between the noninverting and inverting inputs

$$v_o = Av_d = A(v_2 - v_1)$$

Here, A is called the open loop gain.



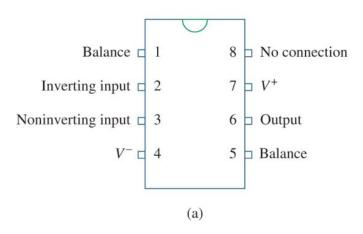
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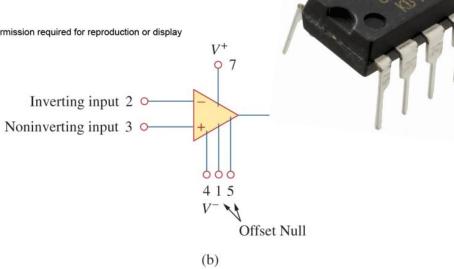
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Op Amp Terminals

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- Five important terminals
 - The inverting input
 - The noninverting input
 - The output
 - The positive (+) power supply
 - The negative (-) power supply

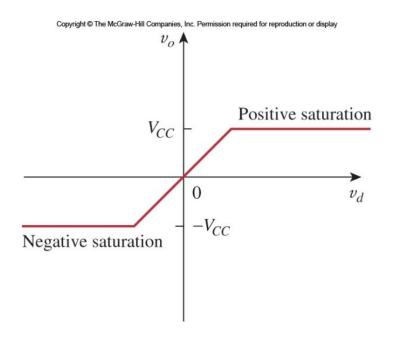
- The rest three terminals
 - 2 Offset Null (Balance)
 - May used in auxiliary circuit to compensate for performance degradation due to aging etc.
 - 1 No Connection (NC)
 - Unused, not connected to the amplifier circuit.

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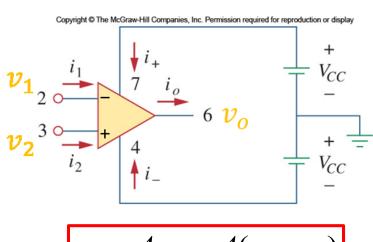


Output Voltage Saturation

Is the output voltage unlimited?



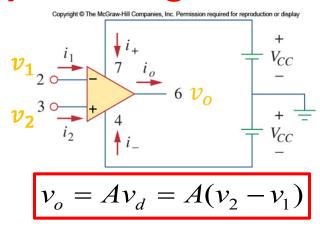
$$v_0 = \begin{cases} -V_{cc} & Av_d < -V_{cc} \\ Av_d & -V_{cc} \le Av_d \le +V_{cc} \\ +V_{cc} & Av_d > +V_{cc} \end{cases}$$

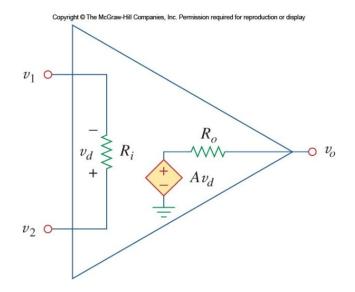


$$v_o = Av_d = A(v_2 - v_1)$$



Output Voltage





■ Ideally A is infinite. In real devices, it is still high: 10⁵ to 10⁸.

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TABLE 5.1

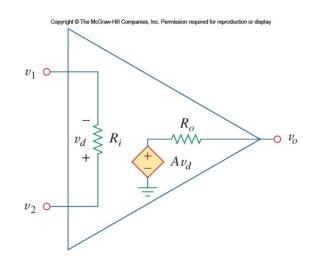
Typical ranges for op amp parameters.

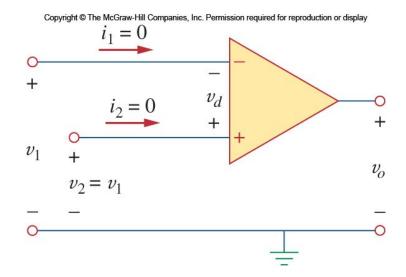
Parameter	Typical range	Ideal values
Open-loop gain, A	$10^5 \text{ to } 10^8$	∞
Input resistance, R_i	$10^{5} \text{ to } 10^{13} \Omega$	$\infty\Omega$
Output resistance, R_o	10 to 100Ω	$\Omega \Omega$
Supply voltage, V_{CC}	5 to 24 V	



Ideal Op Amp

- Attributes of ideal op-amp:
 - infinite open-loop gain, A = ∞
 - Implies that $v_2 = v_1$.
 - infinite resistance of the two inputs, $R_i = \infty$
 - Implies that $i_1 = i_2 = 0$.
 - zero output impedance, $R_o = 0$
 - Implies that output voltage is
 load independent.



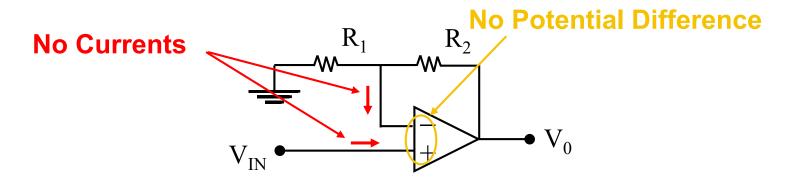


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Ideal Op-Amp Analysis – Golden Rules

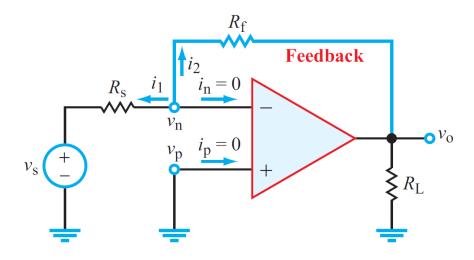
Assumption 1: The potential difference between the op-amp input terminals, $v_{(+)} - v_{(-)}$, equals zero.

Assumption 2: The currents flowing into the op-amp's two input terminals both equal zero.



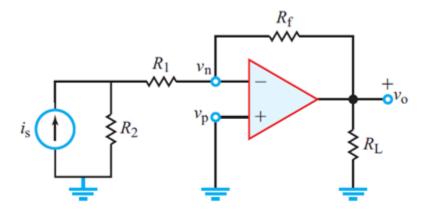


Inverting Amplifier





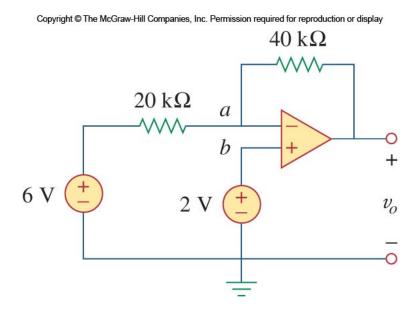
Example





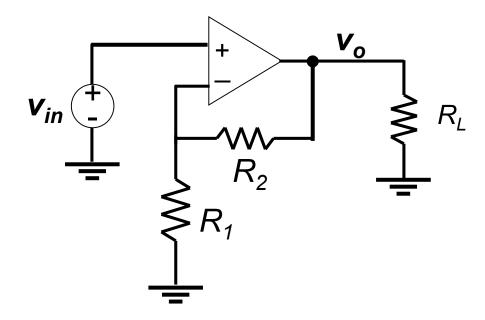
Practice

• Determine v_o in the circuit shown below



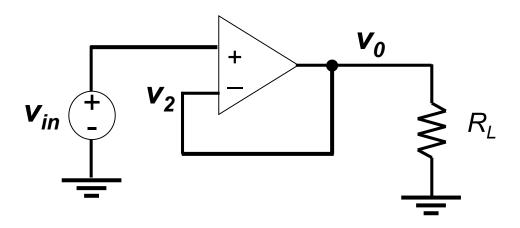


Non-Inverting Amplifier





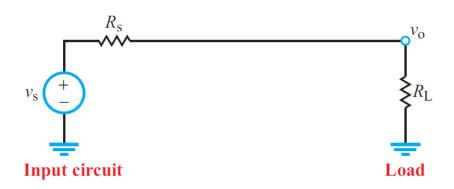
Application: Voltage Follower

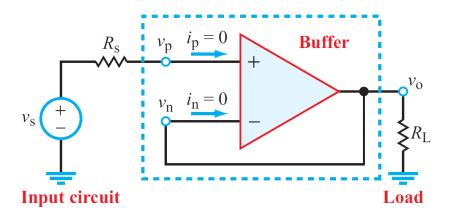


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Application of Voltage Follower



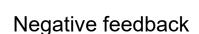


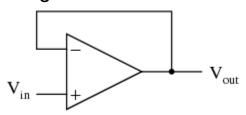
"Buffer" sections of Circuit

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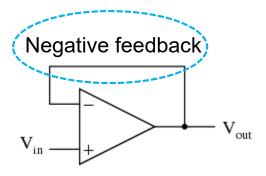
Negative Feedback





 A self-stabilizing system (also true for any dynamic system in general), giving the op-amp the capacity to work in its linear (active) mode.

How Negative Feedback Works?

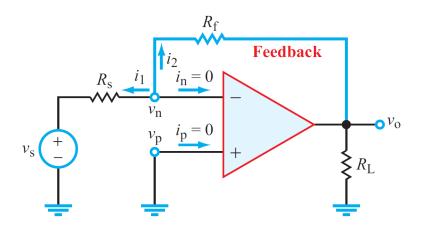


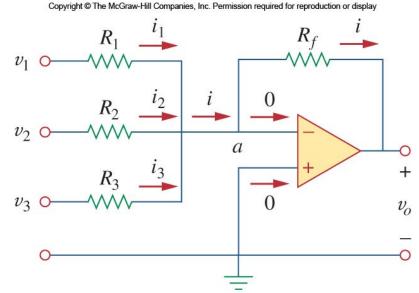
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V_{in} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{voltage difference} \uparrow \Rightarrow V_{out} \uparrow
\Rightarrow \text{voltage difference} \downarrow \Rightarrow V_{out} \downarrow
\Rightarrow \cdots
\Rightarrow V_{out} \rightarrow V_{in} \text{ but small difference exists}
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Summing Amplifier

 Aside from <u>amplification</u>, the op-amp can be made to do <u>addition</u> very readily.

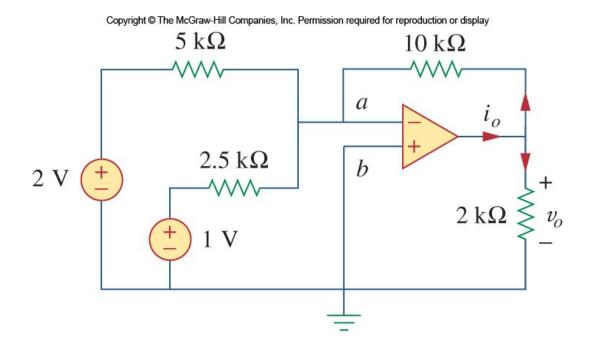






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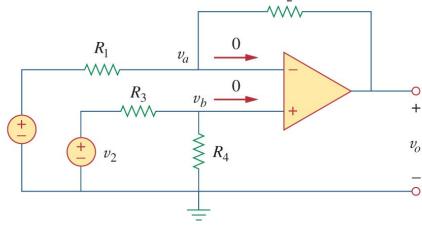
• Find v_o and i_o in the circuit shown below



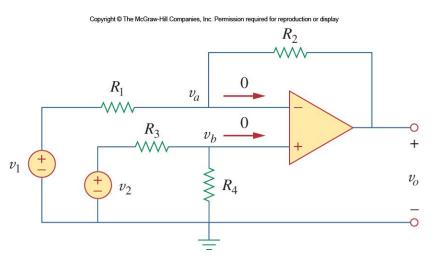


Difference Amplifier





Common Mode Rejection



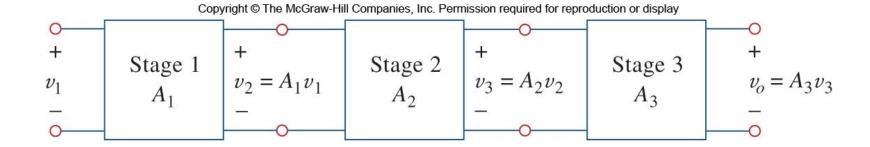
$$v_o = \frac{R_2 (1 + R_1 / R_2)}{R_1 (1 + R_3 / R_4)} v_2 - \frac{R_2}{R_1} v_1$$

- It is important that <u>a difference amplifier rejects any signal</u> that is common to the two inputs.
 - Which implies that when $v_1 = v_2$, $v_0 = 0$.

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Cascaded Op Amps

- This head to tail configuration is called "cascading".
 - Each amplifier is then called a "stage".



 The gain of a series of amplifiers is the product of the individual gains:

$$A = A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3$$

Example

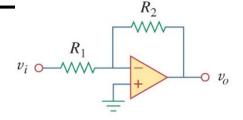
Design a circuit that performs the operation

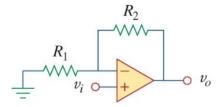
$$v_0 = 4v_1 + 7v_2$$
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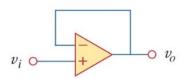
Op amp circuit

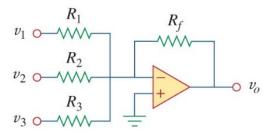
Name/output-input relationship

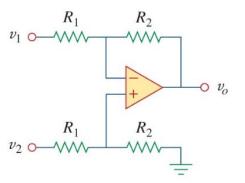
Summary











Inverting amplifier

$$v_o = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} v_i$$

Noninverting amplifier

$$v_o = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) v_i$$

Voltage follower

$$v_o = v_i$$

Summer

$$v_o = -\left(\frac{R_f}{R_1}v_1 + \frac{R_f}{R_2}v_2 + \frac{R_f}{R_3}v_3\right)$$

Difference amplifier

$$v_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (v_2 - v_1)$$