

CSE 350

Digital Electronics and Pulse Techniques

Lab Report

Experiment No: 06

To Design & Simulate an Astable Multivibrator Circuit

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Objective:

The objective of this experiment is to analyze an astable multivibrator.

Equipment:

1. Trainer board
2. Transistor: 2(unit)
3. Resistors: 4(unit), $R_2 = R_3 = 4.7K$, $R_1 = R_4 = 1K$
4. Capacitor: 2(unit) = $4.7\mu F$

Circuit Diagram:

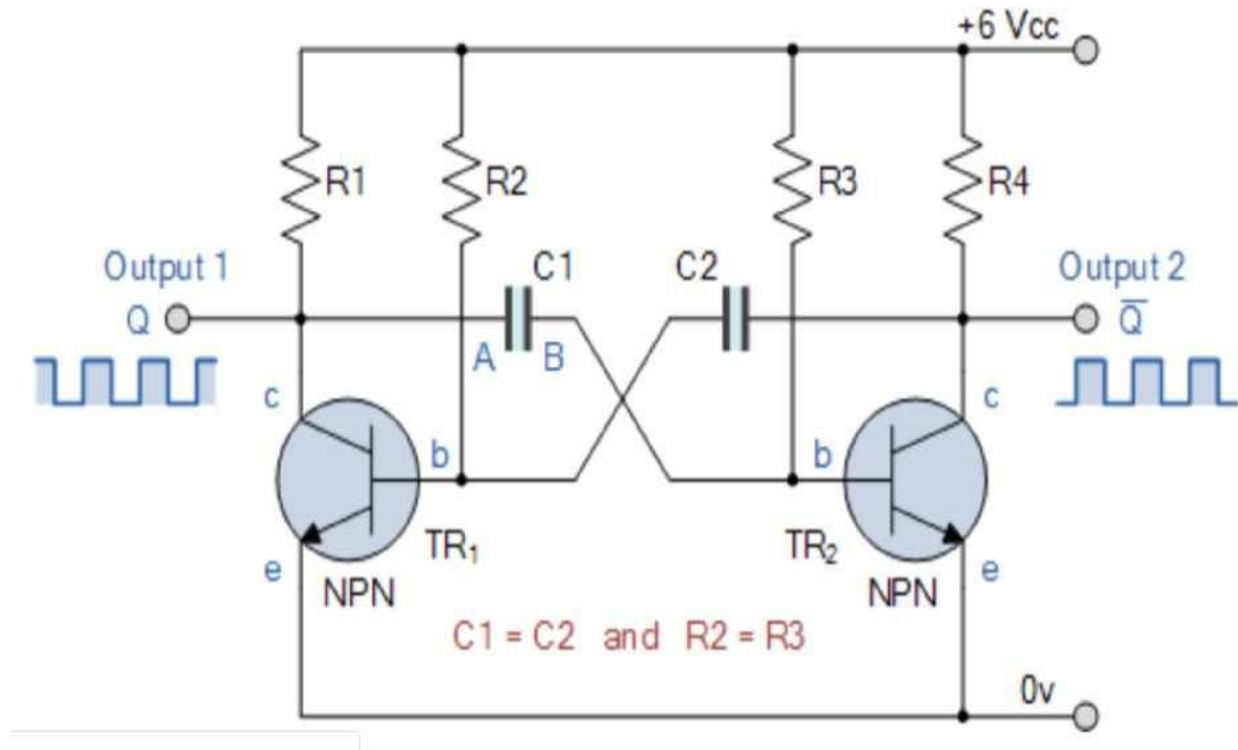
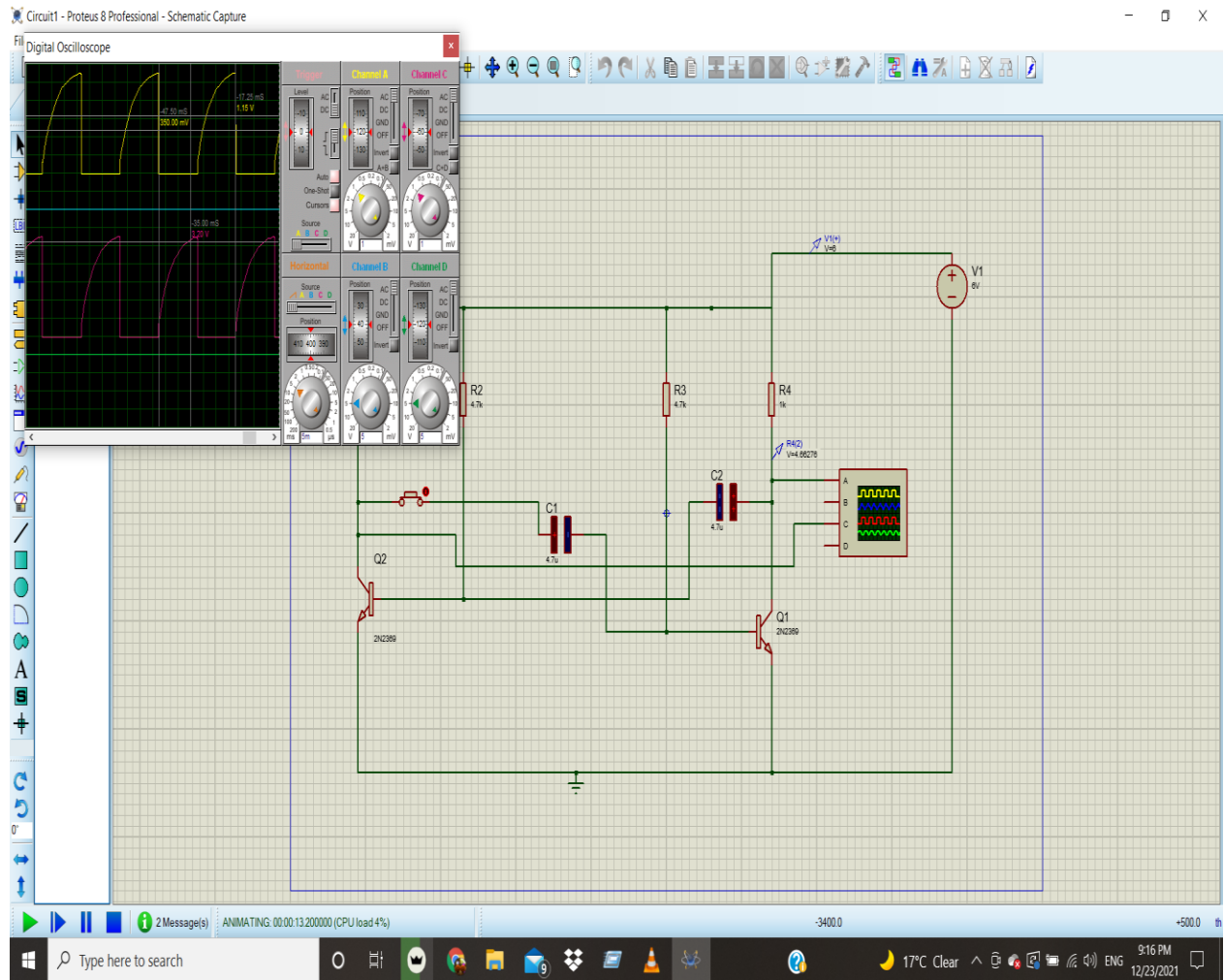


Figure 1: Astable multivibrator circuit.

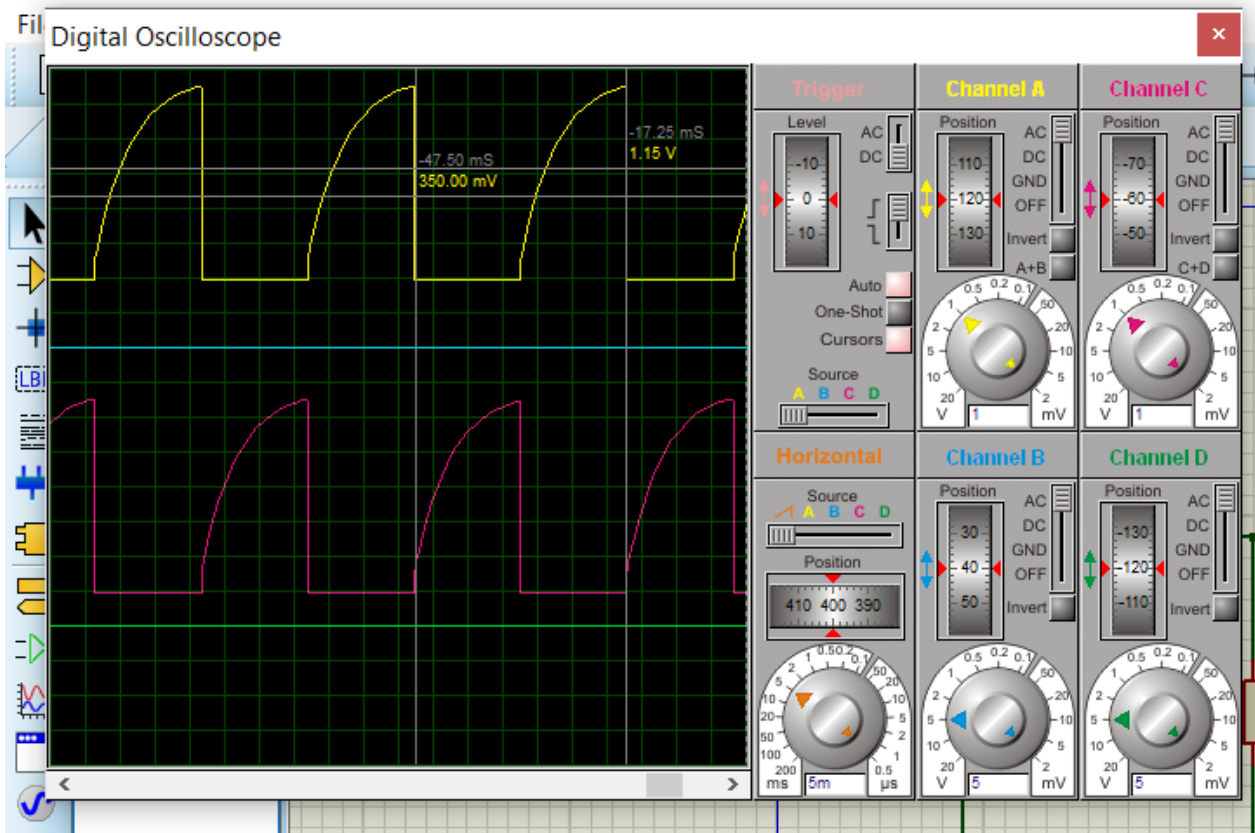
Circuit:

Circuit 01



Digital Oscilloscope

Circuit1 - Proteus 8 Professional - Schematic Capture



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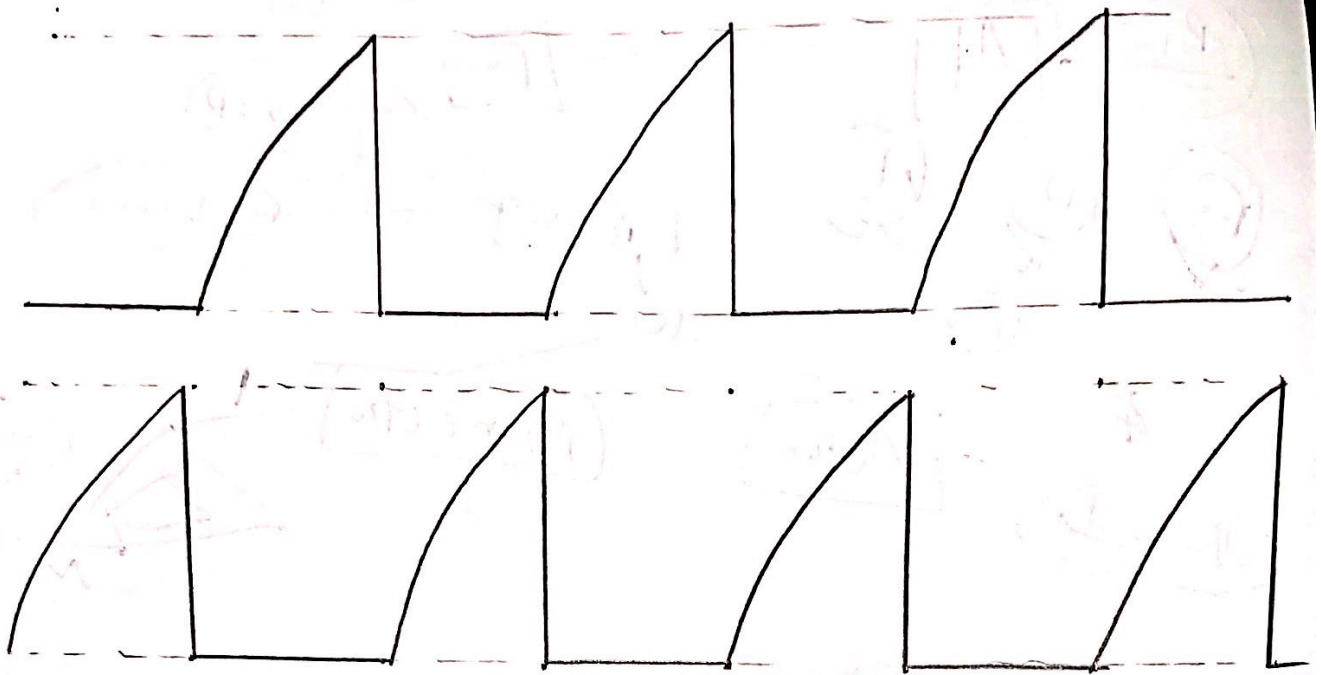


Figure: Output waves forms in the proteus simulation

- ② Yes, there are deviations in the experiment output wave shape from the desired wave. In this experiment, we observe that the output wave is not exactly square. It happened due to the changing characteristics of capacitor which is cross-coupled circuit. In here, the discharging time constant of the capacitor is smaller than the charging time constant. In terms of charging, the value of the resistance is large and it needs some time to change. But in terms of discharging, the value of base resistor is too low, so it needs less amount of time than charging. So, for any time frame, $\text{discharging time constant} < \text{charging time constant}$. That's why we did not get our output as desired wave.

③ We know, theoretically,

$$T = t_1 + t_2$$

$$\text{So, } t_1 = 0.69 \times R_3 \times C_1$$

$$= 0.69 \times 4.7 \times 10^3 \times 4.7 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 0.0152421$$

$$\text{Again, } t_2 = 0.69 \times R_2 \times C_2$$

$$= 0.69 \times 4.7 \times 10^3 \times 4.7 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 0.0152421$$

$$\text{So, } T = t_1 + t_2 = 0.030482 \text{ ms}$$

from experiment,

$$T = T_2 - T_1 = (47.5 - 17.25) \text{ ms}$$

$$~~(30.25 - 32.5) \text{ ms}~~$$

$$= 30.25 \text{ ms}$$

$$= 0.03025 \text{ s}$$

So, we can say that although there's a slight difference of 0.02 ms, the values are close to the theoretical time. So, the values are almost similar.

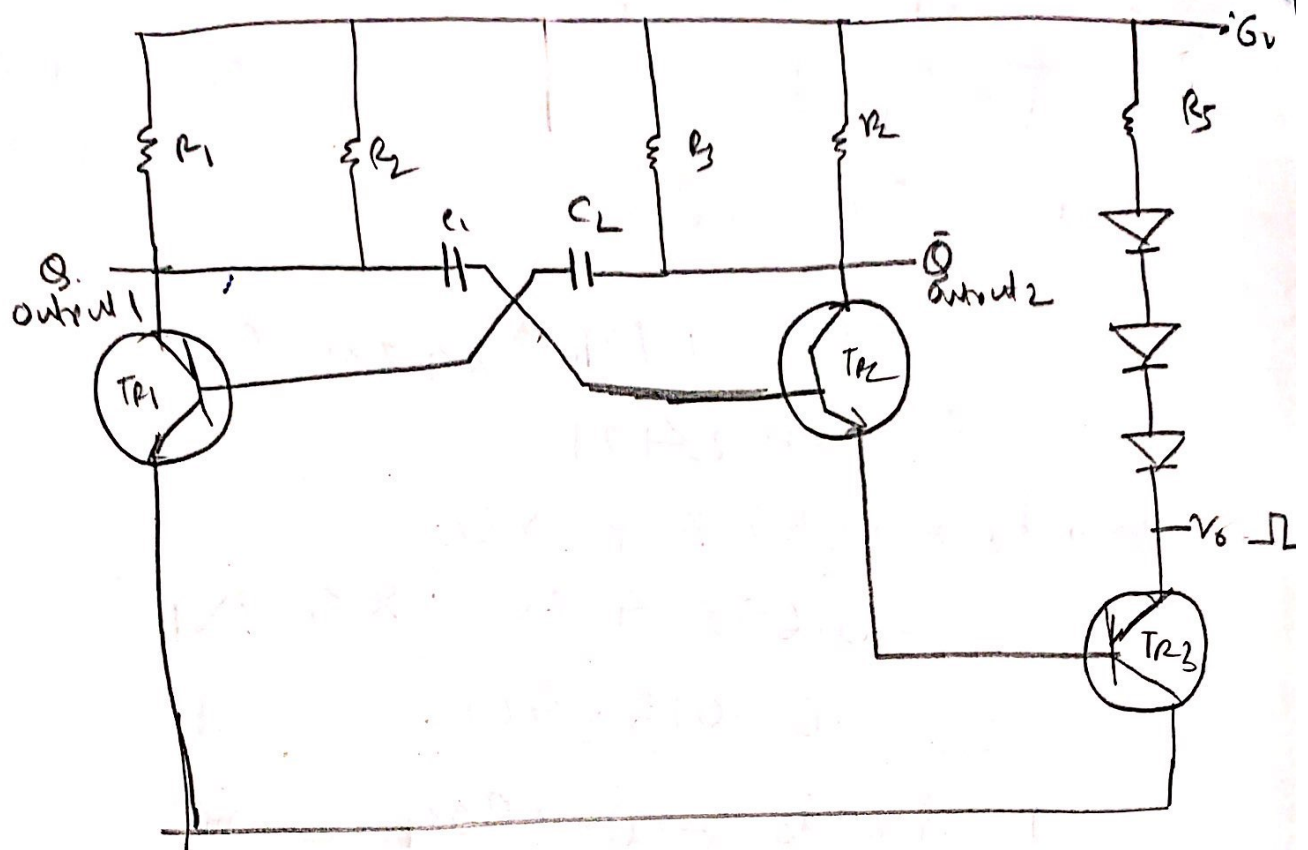
Here,

$$C_1 = C_2 = 4.7 \mu\text{F}$$

$$R_2 = R_3 = 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega$$

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Yes, it is possible to use a multi vibrator to create variable frequency wave generation.

From V_0 , we get a almost perfect square wave curve. TR_2 is connected to TR_1 , so, when TR_2 is in cutoff mode, TR_3 will also be in cutoff mode. When TR_3 is in saturation, TR_2 will also be in saturation mode.

In the given astable multivibrator, we get square wave output pulse because of changing characteristics of the capacitor in the cross-coupled circuit. But here, there is no capacitor connected with TR_3 . So, here we use an additional transistor TR_3 .

to switch Light Emitting Diodes, relays on to produce a sound from a sound Transducer.

So, we can say that, it will generate almost square wave.

⑨ We know, $t_1 = 0.0152421$
 $t_2 = 0.0152421$
 $T = 0.0304842 \text{ ms}$
 $= 30.482 \text{ ms}$

And, Duty cycle, $D = \frac{t_1}{T} \times 100\%$
 So, if we fix the value of capacitor and change the value of R_3 , then,

① R_3 increases \rightarrow duty cycle increases

② R_3 decreases \rightarrow duty cycle decreases

So, $D \propto t_1$ and $t_1 \propto R_2$ and $t_1 \propto C_1$.

So, by changing the value of R_3 and C_1 we can change the duty cycle of the circuit.