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Electronic Circuits and Applications

Lesson 12. Op-Amp Application (II)

Learning Contents

1. Active Filters
2. Precision Amplifier
3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

Learning Goals

1. Understand and design the active filter by using op-amp.
2. Design the precision rectifier for small signals
3. Understand and explain other practical amplifiers using Op-Amp

1. Active Filters

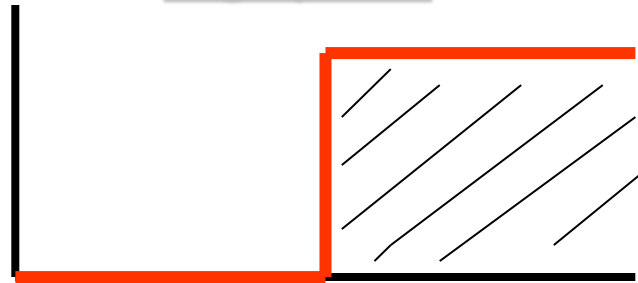
1.1. Basic Filter Response

Passive Filters: Ideal

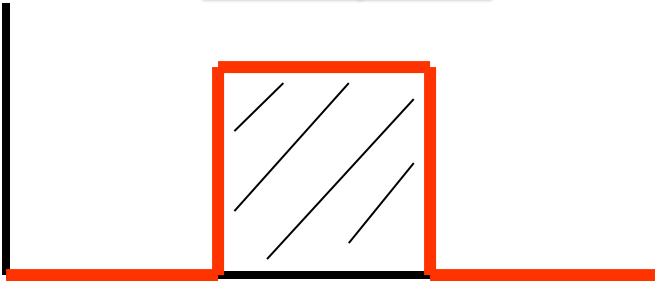
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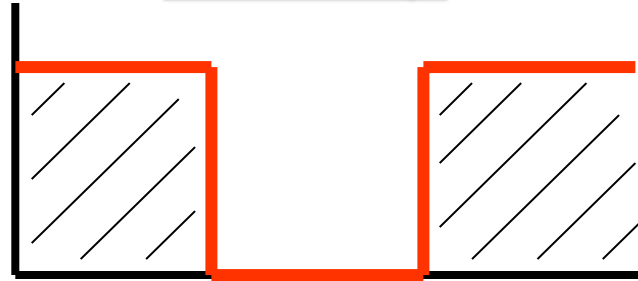
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1.2. Low-Pass Filter

1.3. High-Pass Filter

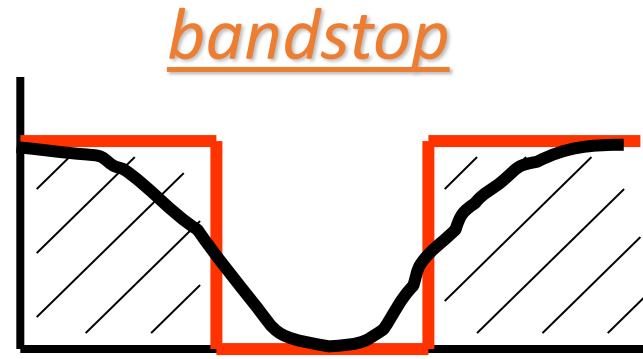
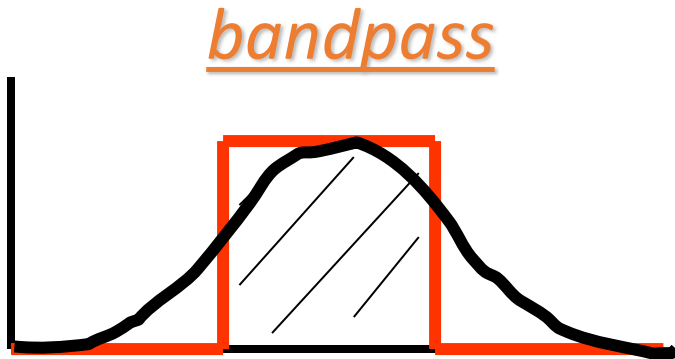
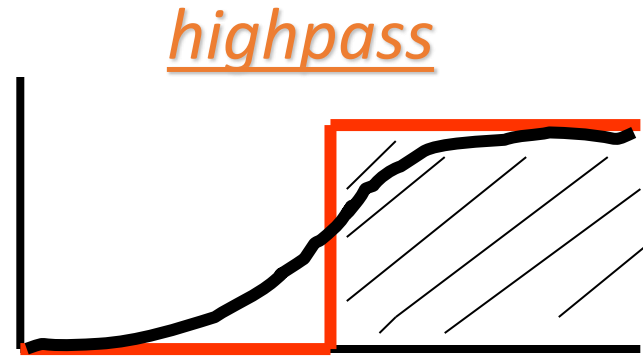
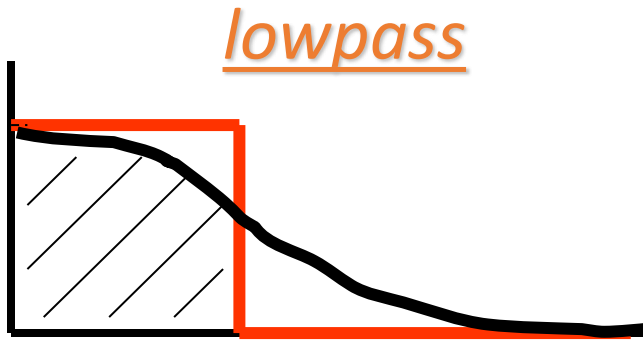
1.4. Band-Pass Filter

1.5. Band-Stop Filter

1. Active Filters

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Passive Filters: Realistic



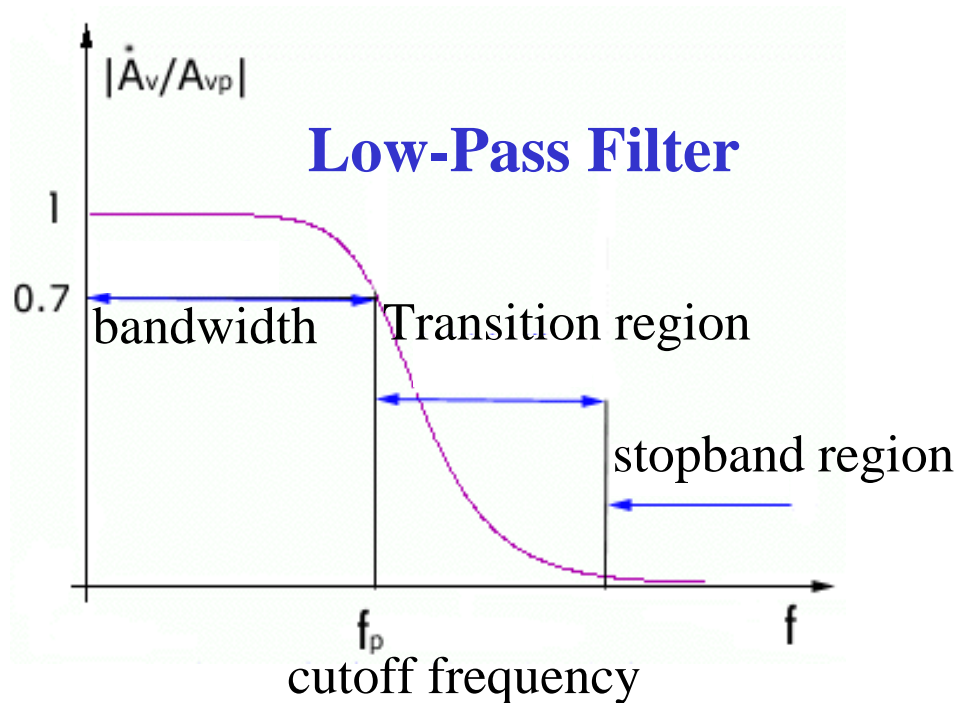
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$$\text{Voltage gain } A(s) = \frac{v_o(s)}{v_i(s)}$$

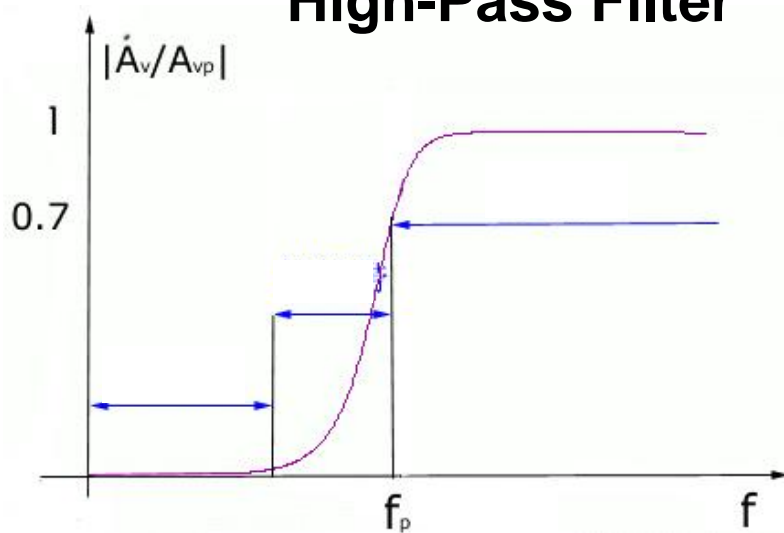
$$S = j\omega \quad \dot{A}(j\omega) = \frac{\dot{V}_o(j\omega)}{\dot{V}_i(j\omega)} = |A(j\omega)| \angle \varphi(j\omega)$$



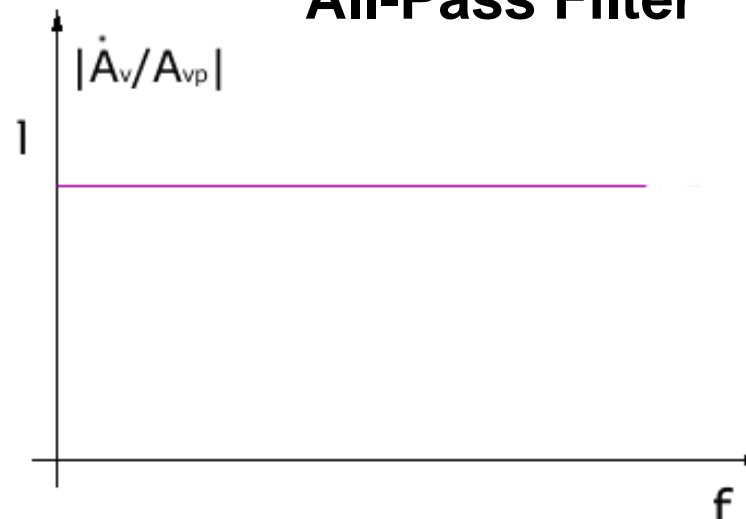
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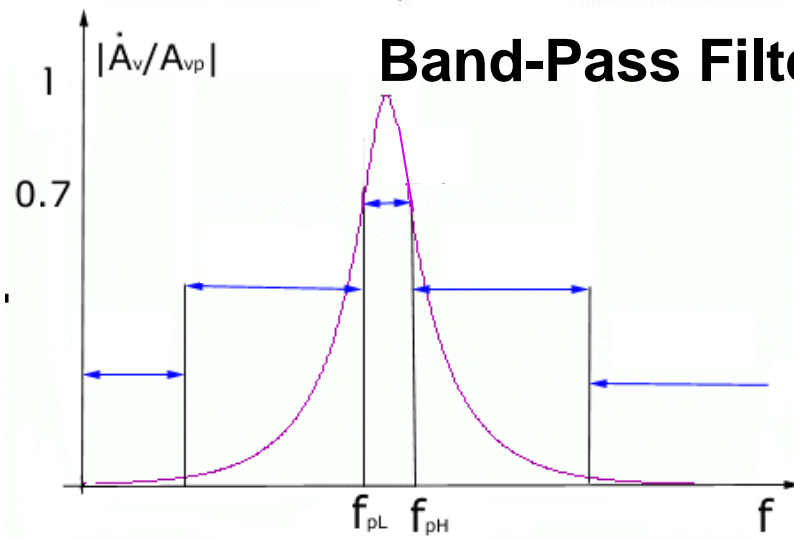
High-Pass Filter



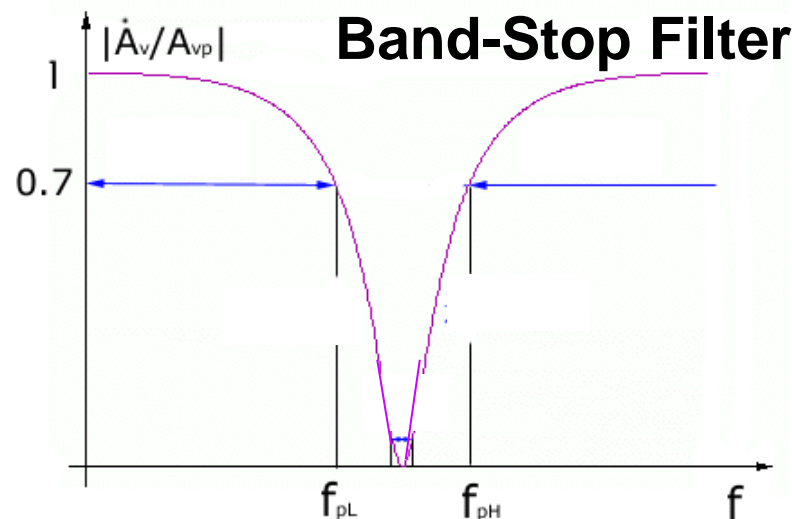
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Band-Pass Filter



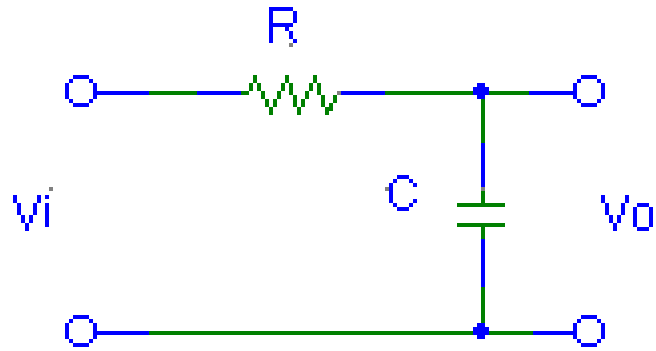
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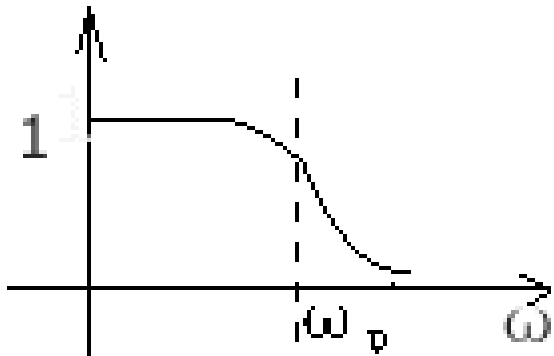
1. Active Filters

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Low-Pass Filter



$$A = \frac{\dot{V}_o}{\dot{V}_i} = \frac{1/j\omega c}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega c}} = \frac{1}{1 + j\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}} = \frac{1 - j\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}}{1 + \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^2}$$
$$(\omega_0 = \frac{1}{RC})$$

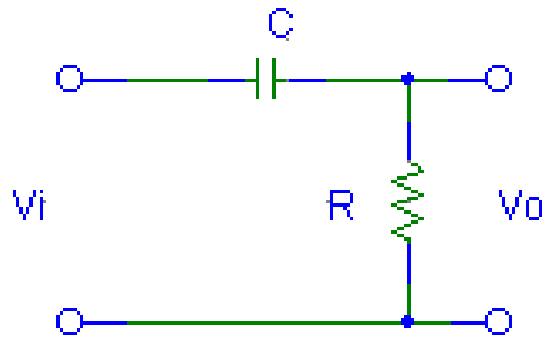


$$\varphi = -\tan^{-1} \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \xrightarrow{\omega=\omega_0} -45^\circ$$

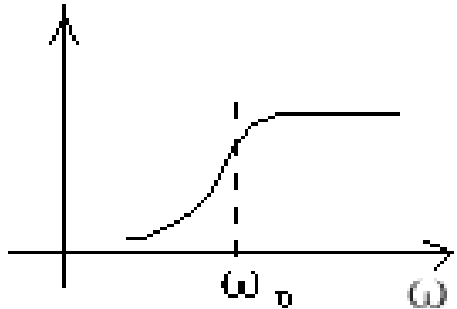
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High-Pass Filter

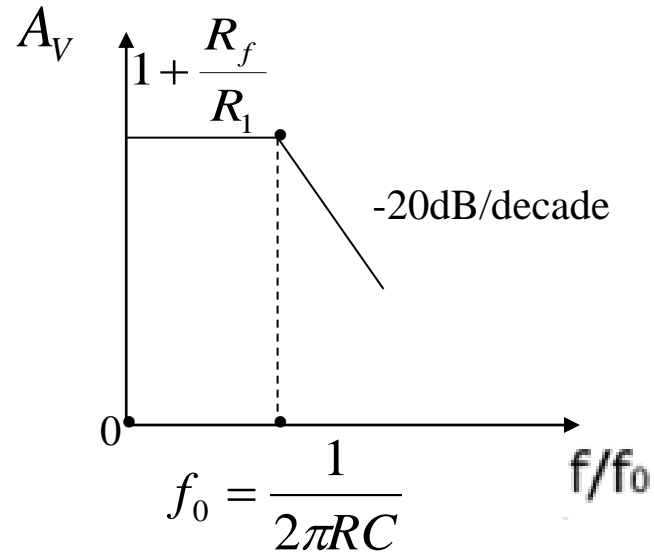
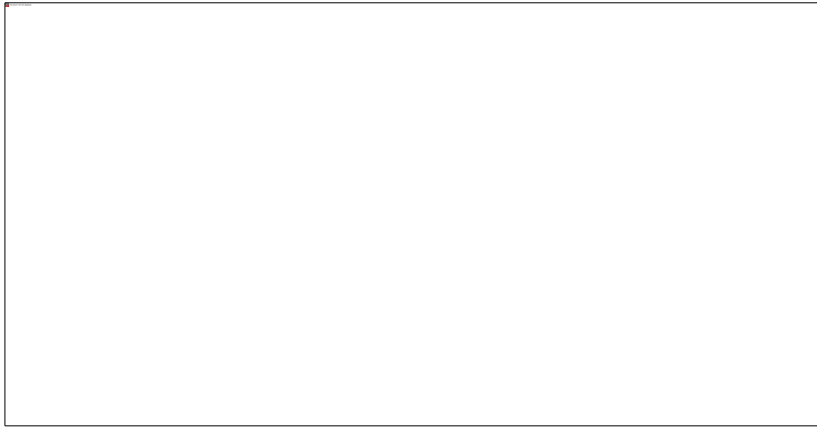


$$\dot{A} = \frac{\dot{V}_o}{\dot{V}_i} = \frac{R}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega C}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{j\omega R C}} = \frac{1}{1 - j\frac{\omega_o}{\omega}}$$



1. Active Filters

1.2. Low-Pass Filter



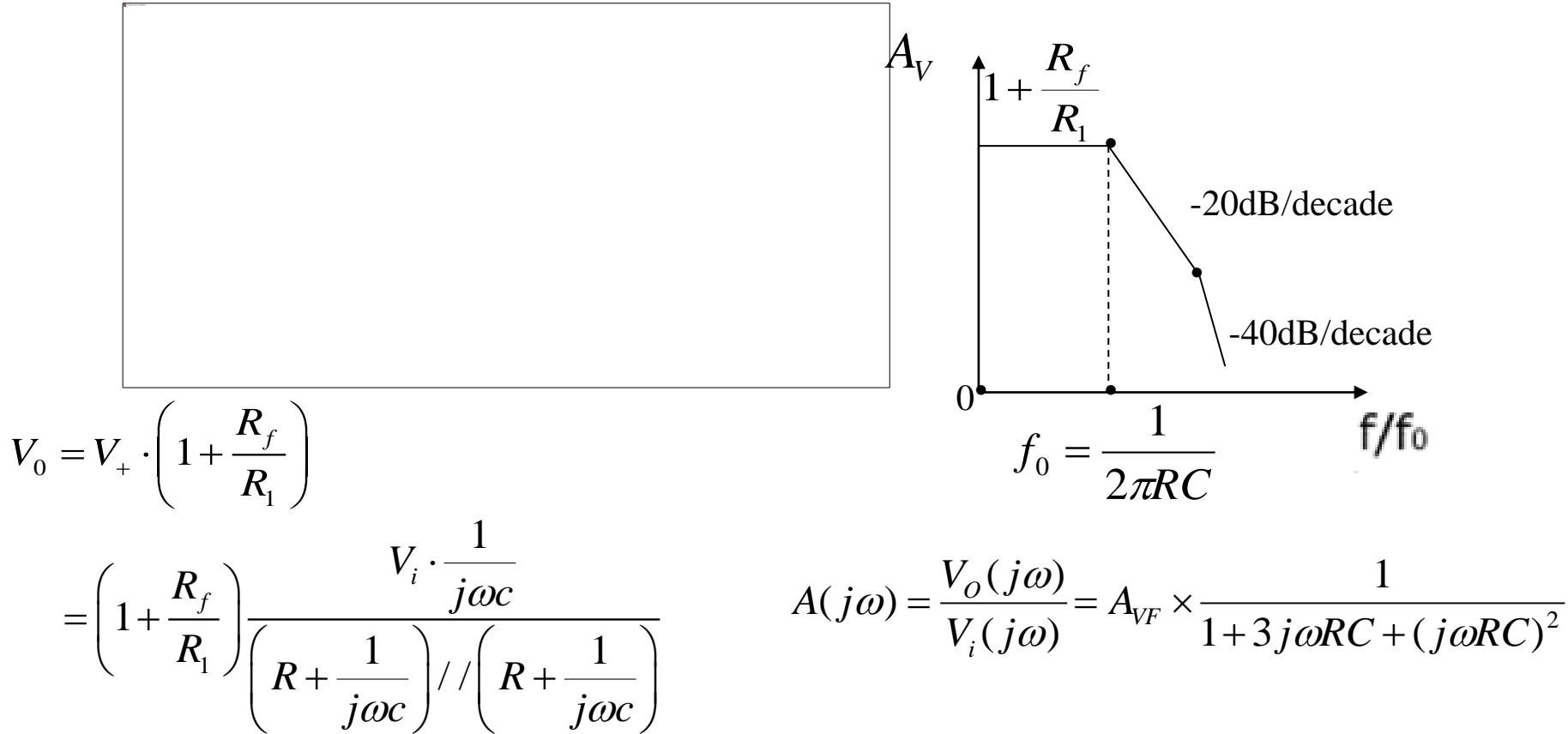
$$V_o = V_+ \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}\right) = \left(1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}\right) \frac{V_i \cdot \frac{1}{j\omega c}}{R + \frac{1}{j\omega c}}$$

$$A(j\omega) = \frac{V_o(j\omega)}{V_i(j\omega)} = \frac{1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}}{1 + j\omega cR} = \frac{A_{VF}}{1 + j\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}}$$

First-order (one-pole) Filter

1. Active Filters

1.2. Low-Pass Filter



Second-order (two-pole) Filter

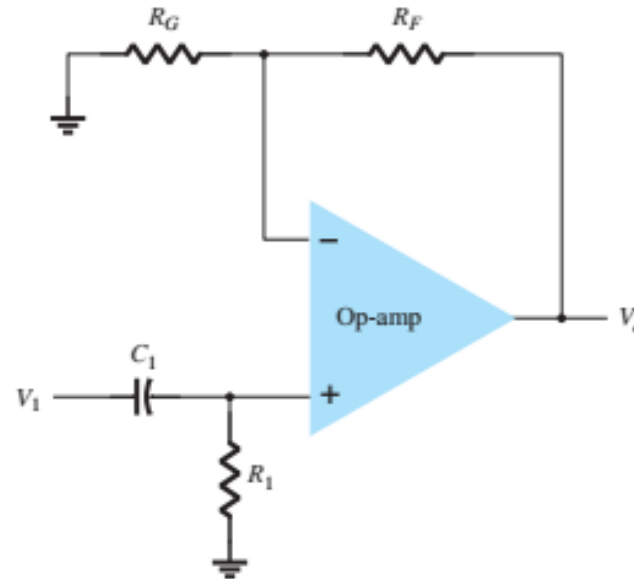
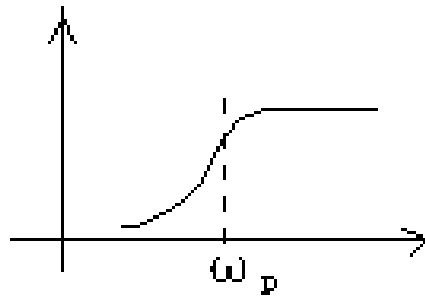
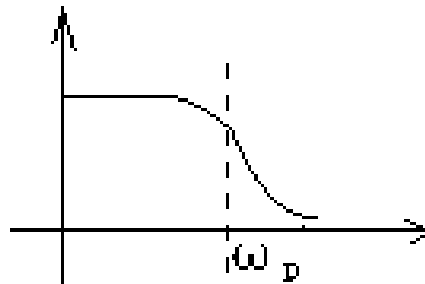
1. Active Filters

1.3. High-Pass Filter

- Transfer functions:
$$A_L = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} \xrightarrow{SRC \rightarrow \frac{1}{SRC}} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{SRC}} = A_H$$

- Circuit: $R \leftrightarrow C$

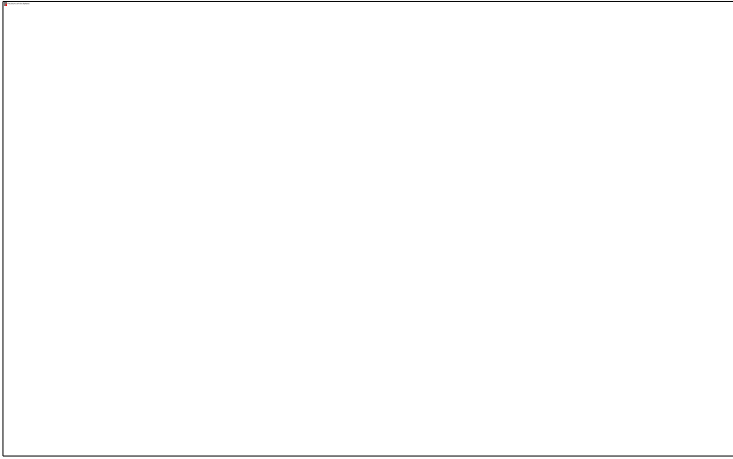
- Frequency domain



The Non-Inverting First-order High-Pass Filter

1. Active Filters

1.3. High-Pass Filter



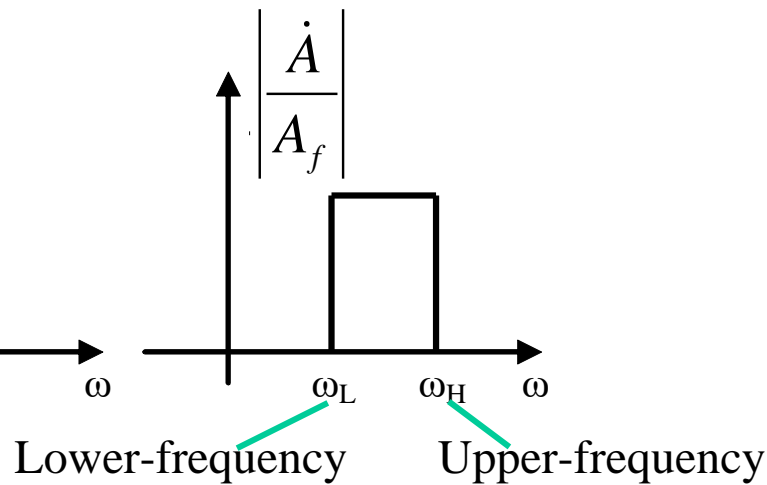
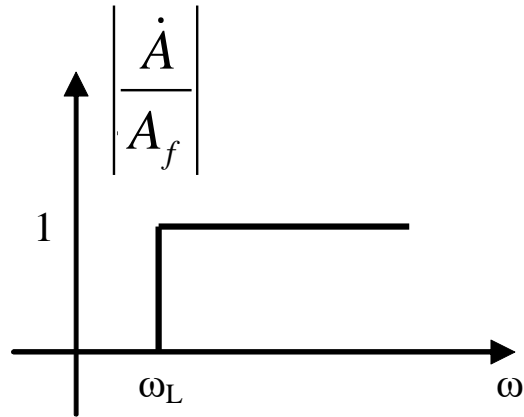
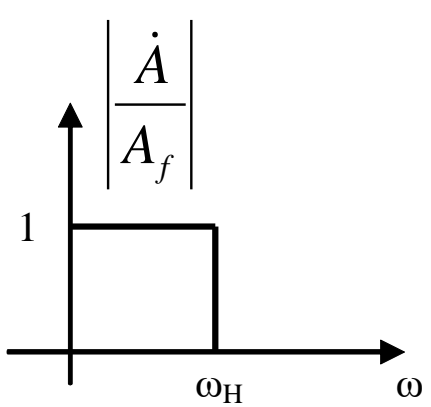
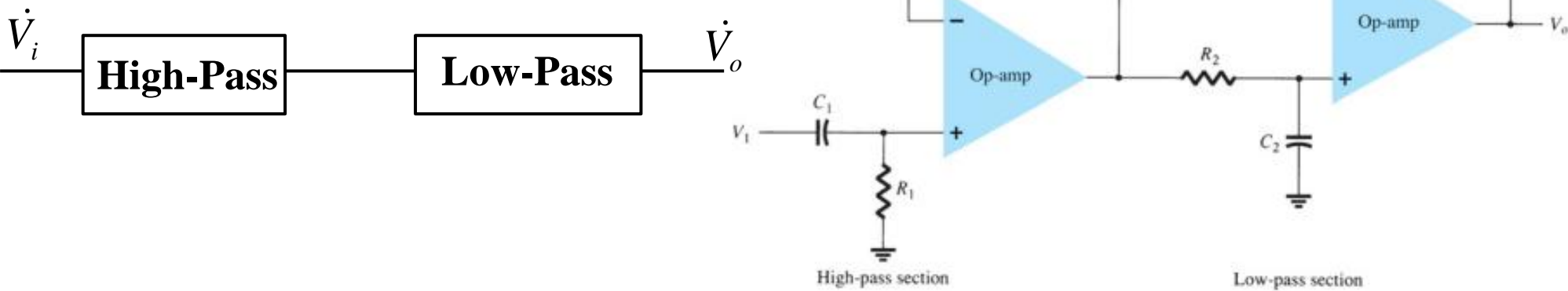
$$-\frac{v_o}{R_f} = \frac{v_i}{R_1 + Z_C}$$

$$A = \frac{\dot{V}_o}{\dot{V}_i} = \frac{-V_i \cdot \frac{R_f}{R_1 + Z_C}}{V_i} = -R_f \cdot \frac{1}{R_1 + \frac{1}{j\omega c}}$$
$$\Rightarrow = -\frac{R_f}{R_1} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + 1/j\omega R_1 C} = A_{VF} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - j\frac{\omega_o}{\omega}}$$

The Inverting First-order High-Pass Filter

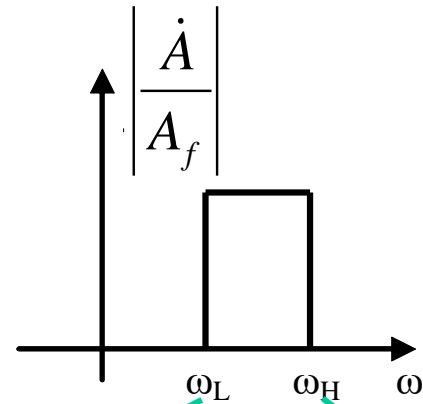
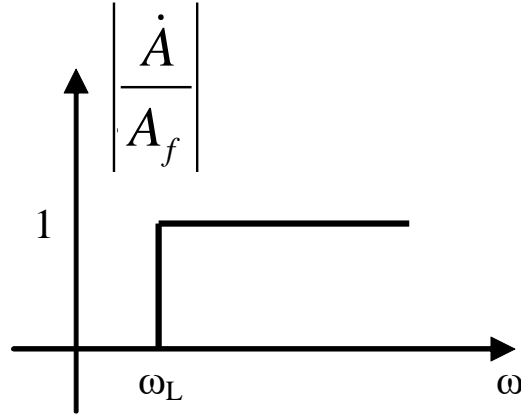
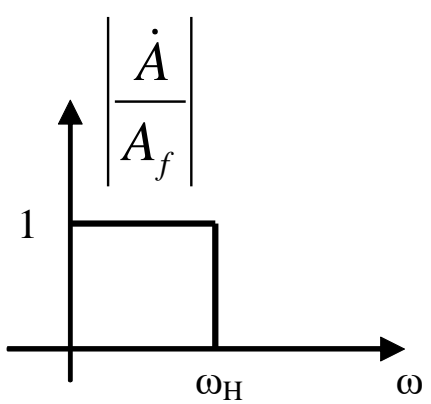
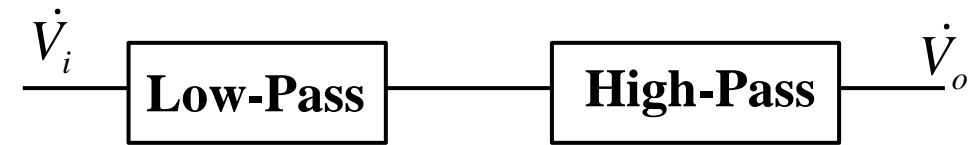
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1.4. Band-Pass Filter



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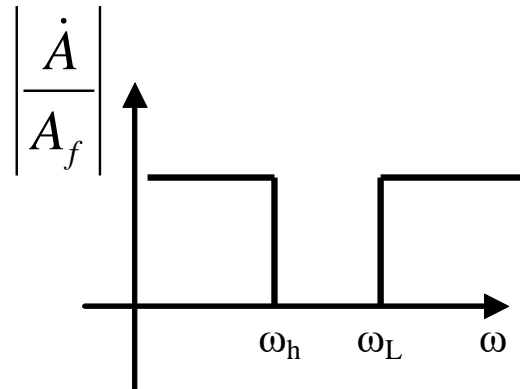
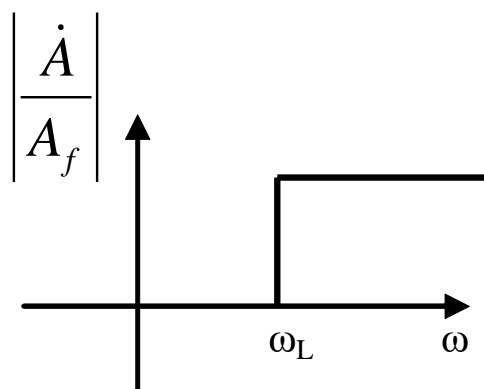
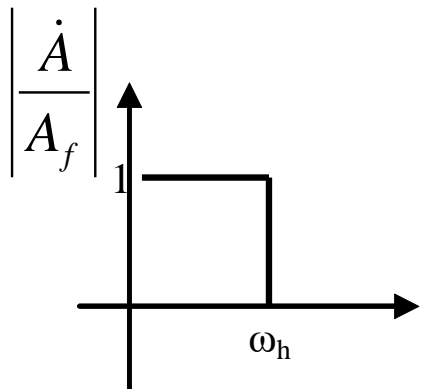
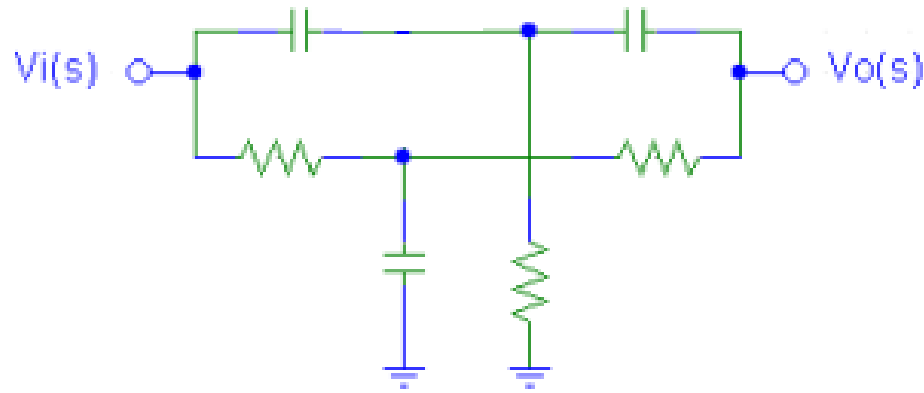
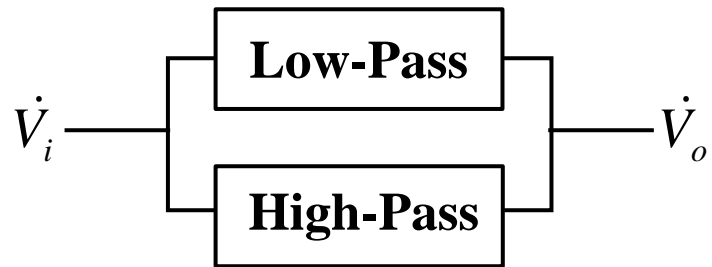


Lower-frequency

Upper-frequency

1. Active Filters

1.5. Band-Stop Filter



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The Non-Inverting Band-Stop Filter

2. Precision Rectifier

2.1. Rectifier using Diodes

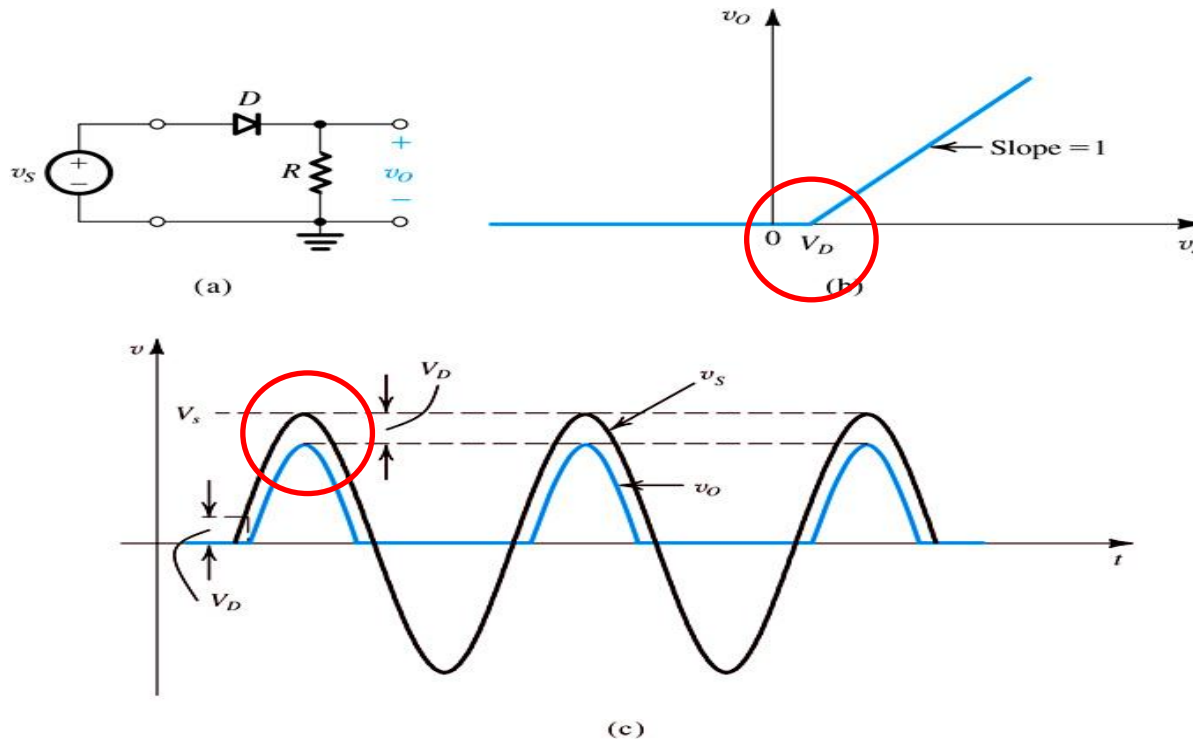
2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

2. Precision Rectifier

2.1. Rectifier using Diodes

- Rectifier circuits are used in the design of power supply circuits.
- In such applications, the voltage being rectified are usually much greater than the diode voltage drop, rendering the exact value of the diode drop unimportant to the proper operation of the rectifier.

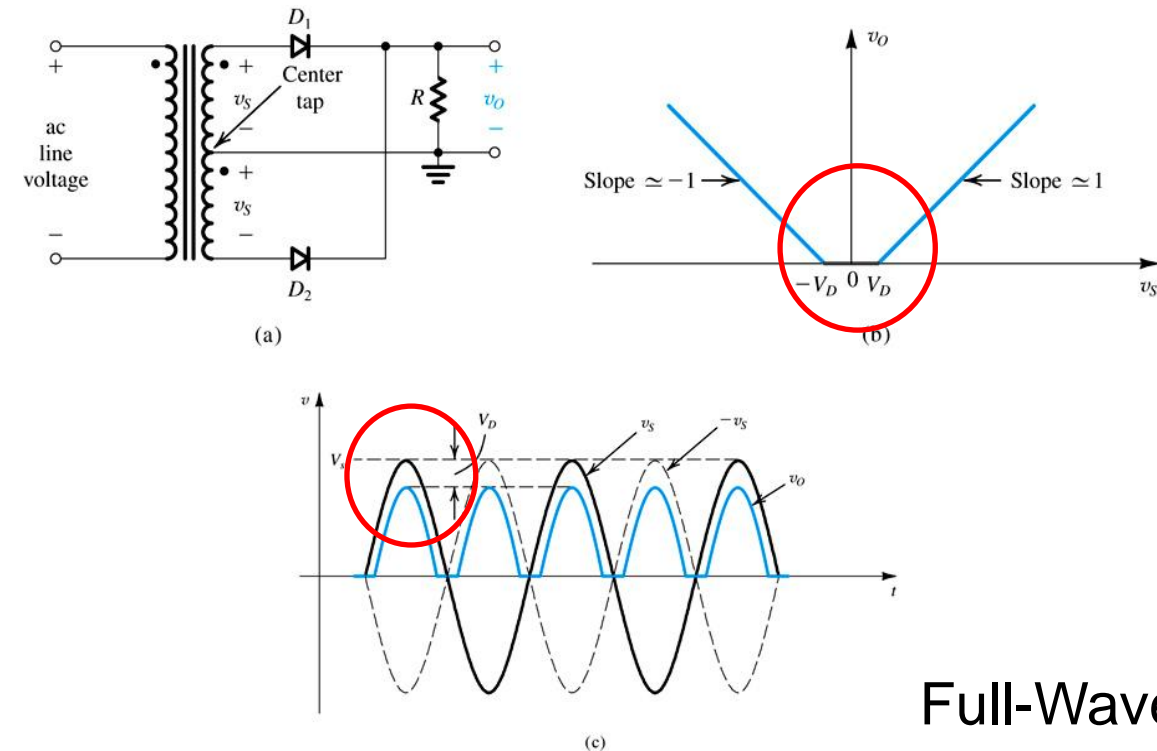


Half-Wave Rectifier

2. Precision Rectifier

2.1. Rectifier using Diodes

In some applications, the signal to be rectified can be of very small amplitude, say 0.1 V, making it impossible to employ the conventional rectifier circuits. Also the need arises for very precise transfer characteristics.

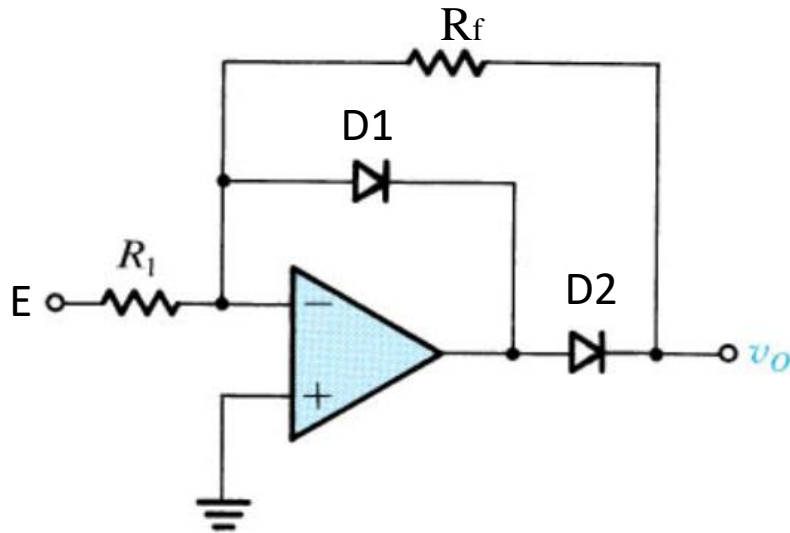


Full-Wave Rectifier

2. Precision Rectifier

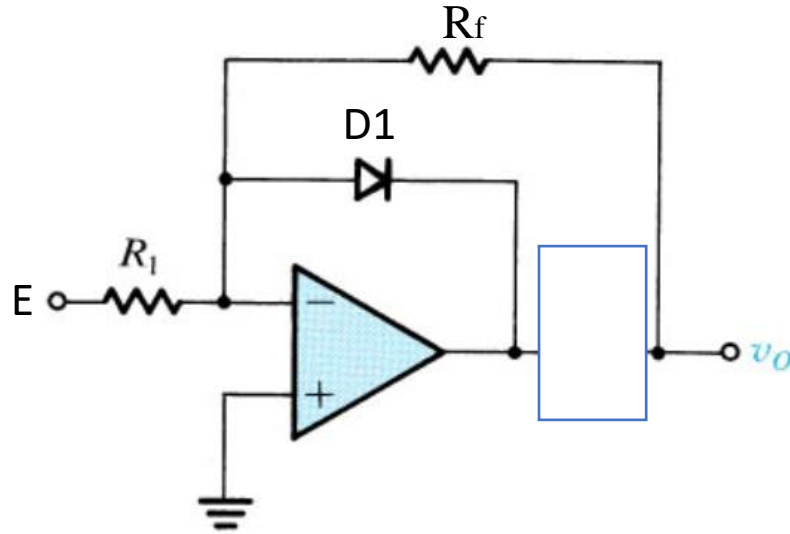
2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

- The inverting amplifier is converted into an ideal (linear precision) half-wave rectifier by adding two diodes.



2. Precision Rectifier

2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

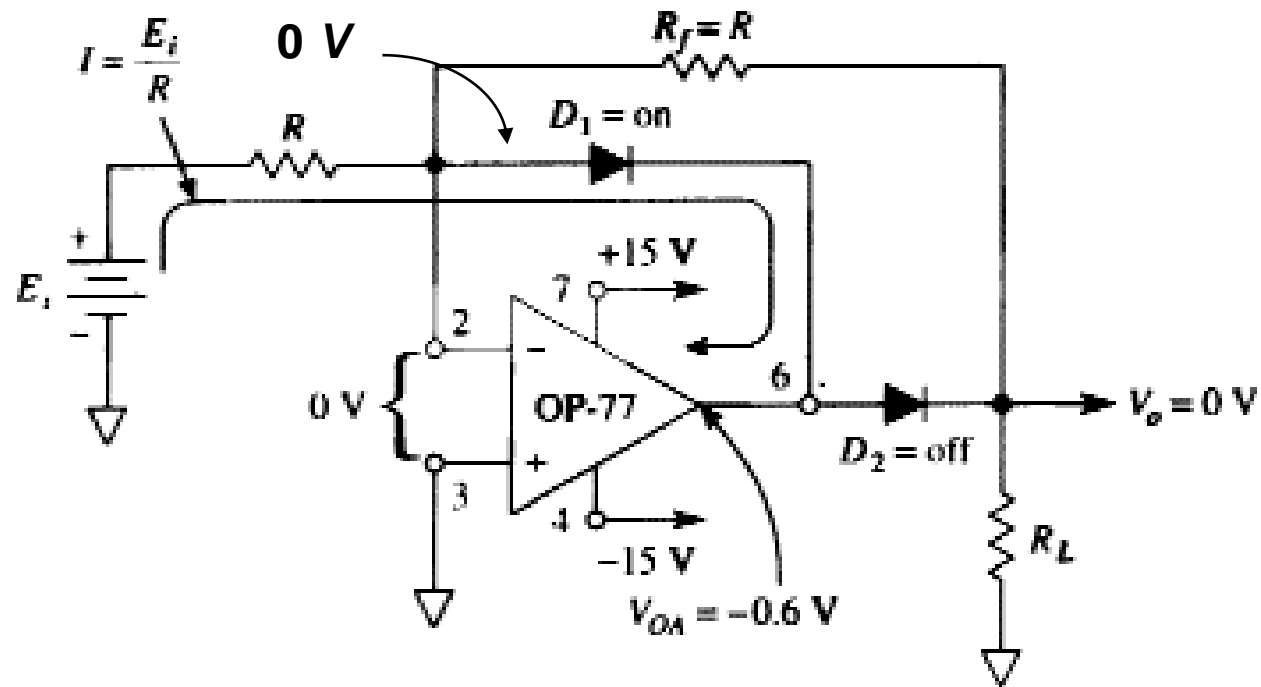


- When E is positive, diode $D1$ conducts,
=> op amp's output voltage, V_{OA} , to go negative.
- This forces diode $D2$ to be reverse biased.
 - V_o equals zero because input current I flows through $D1$.
 - No current flows through R_f and therefore $V_o = 0$.

2. Precision Rectifier

2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

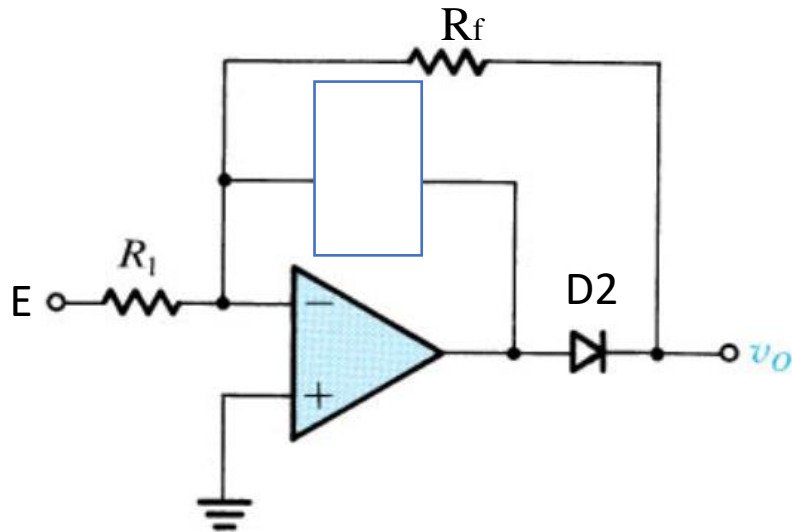
Positive Input: D1 on; D2 off



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2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

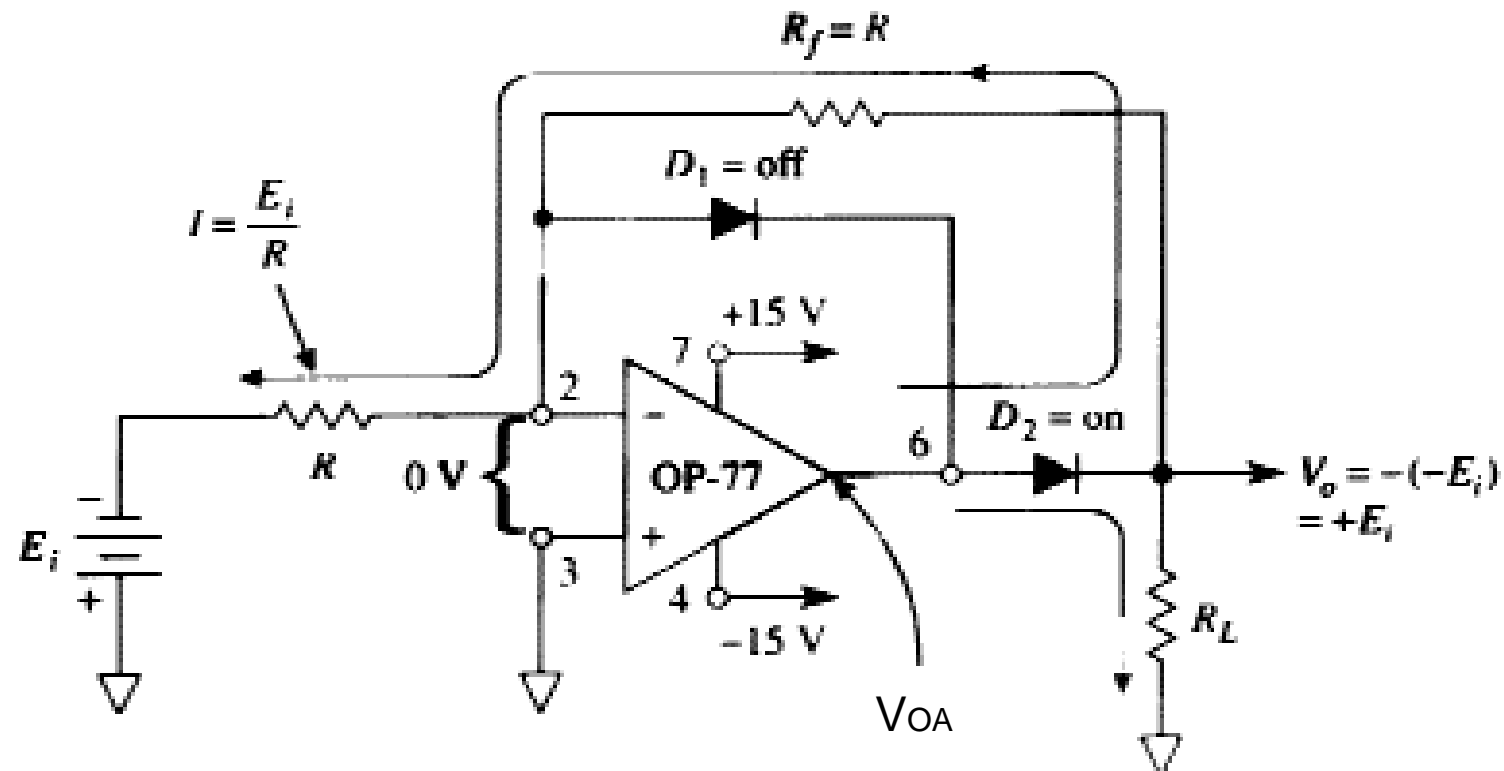
- The negative input E , forces the op amp output **VOA** to go positive.
- This causes D2 to conduct. Since the (—) input is at ground potential, diode $D1$ is reverse biased.
- The circuit then acts like an inverter, since $R_f = R_i$, and $V_o = -E > 0$.



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2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

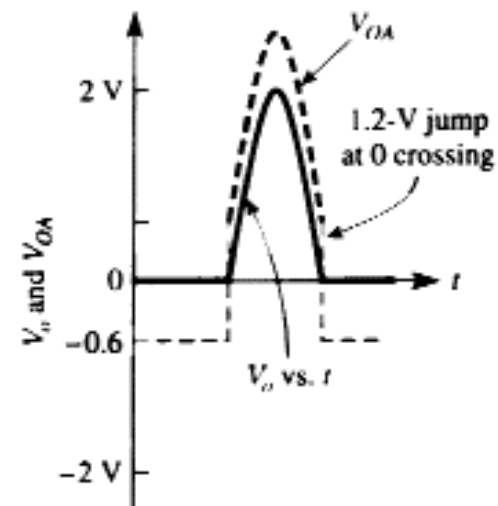
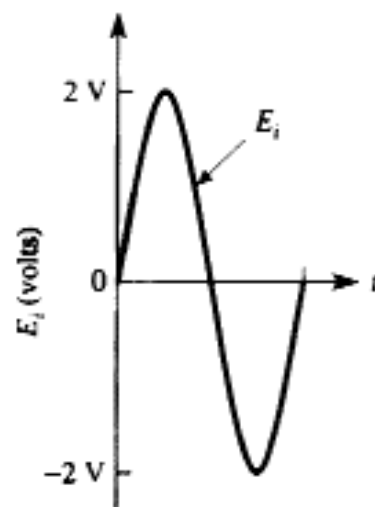
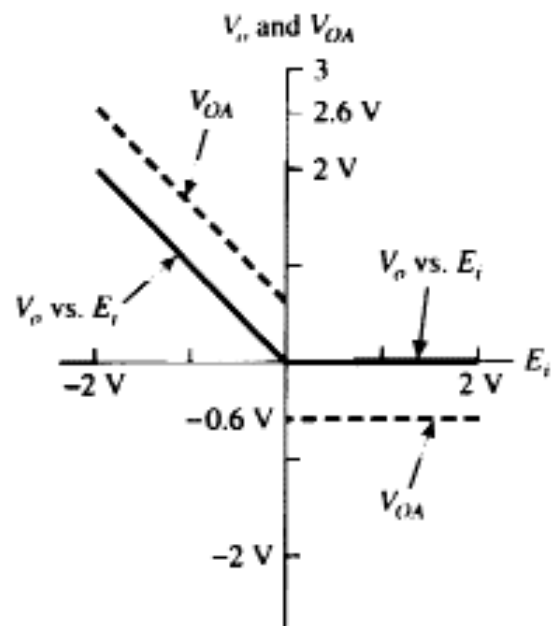
Negative Input: D1 off; D2 on



2. Precision Rectifier

2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

- Circuit operation is summarized by the following waveshapes.
- V_o can only go positive in a linear response to negative inputs.

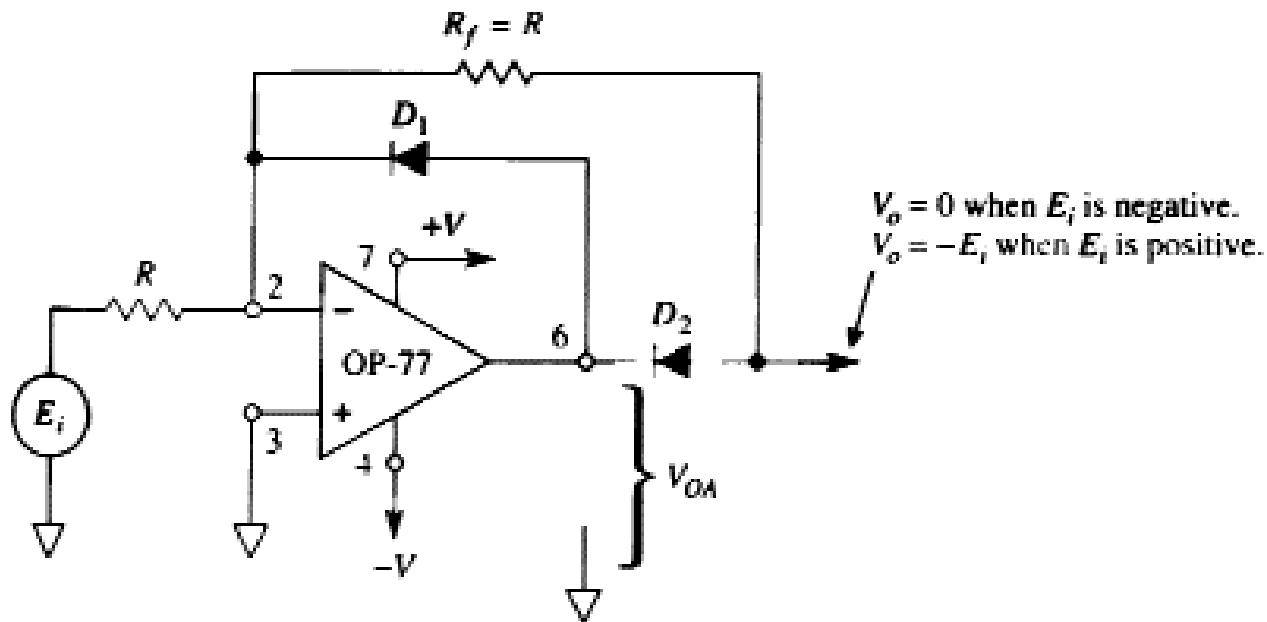


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2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

- Positive input signal rectifier ?

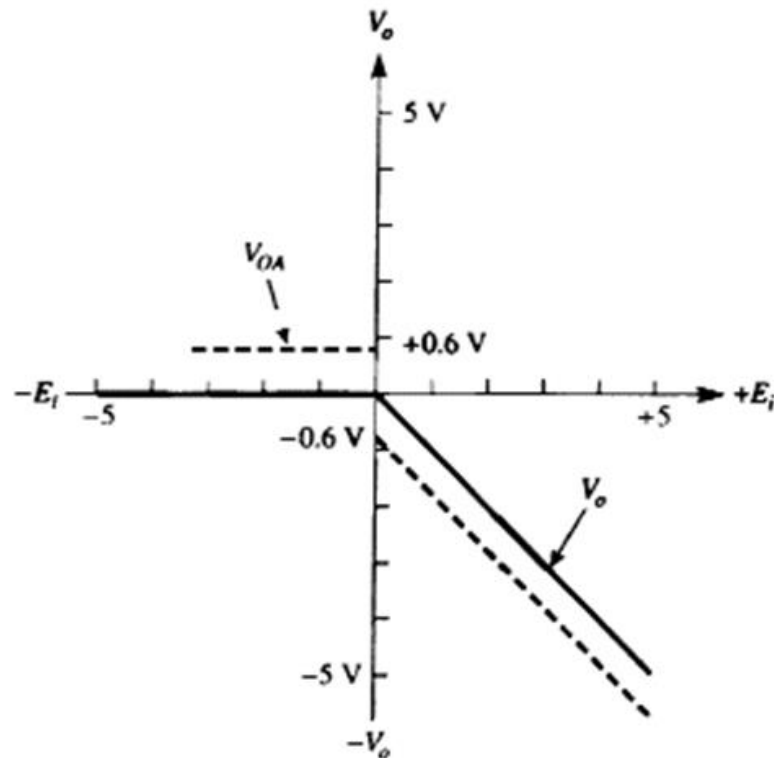
The diodes can be reversed. Now only positive input signals are transmitted and inverted.



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2.2. Precision Half-Wave Rectifier

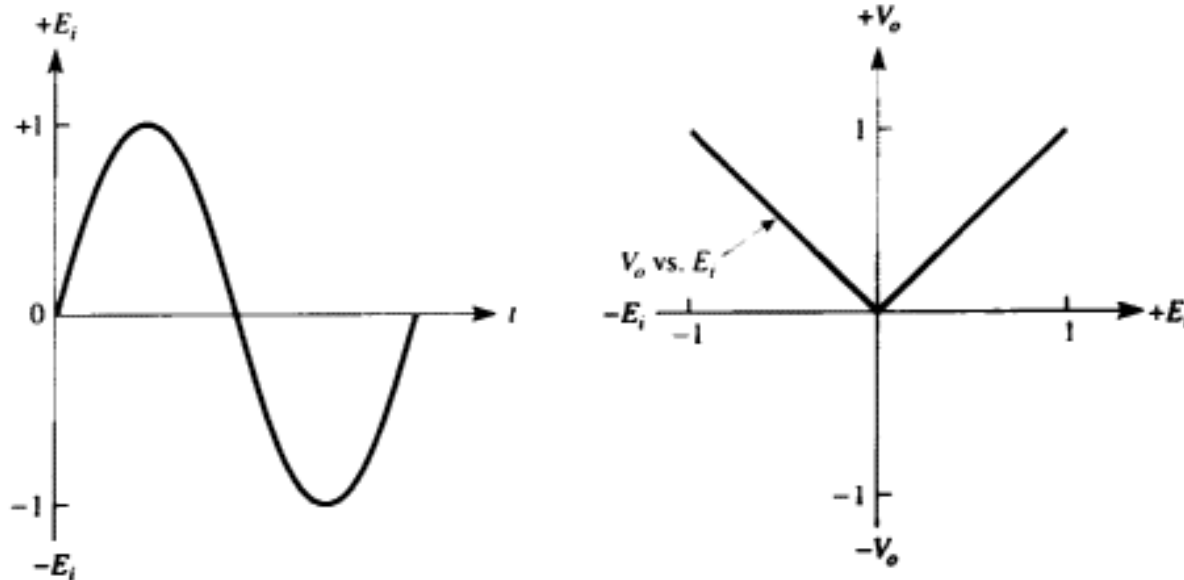
- The output voltage V_o equals 0 V for all negative inputs.
 - Circuit operation is summarized by the plot of V_o and V_{OA} versus E .



2. Precision Rectifier

2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

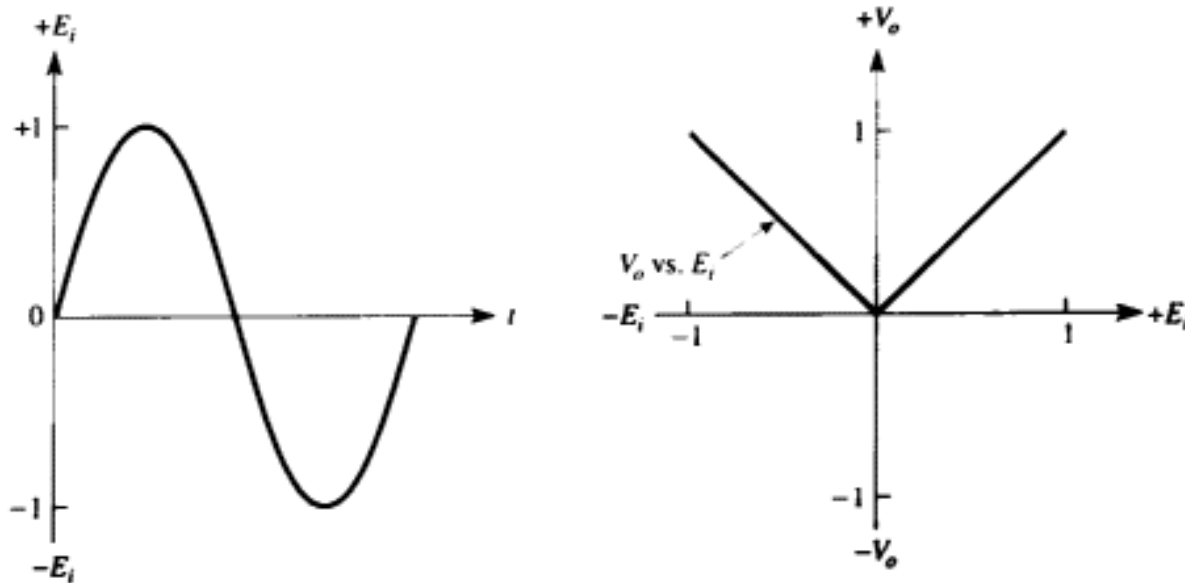
- The precision full-wave rectifier (PFWR) transmits one polarity of the input signal and inverts the other.
- Both half-cycles of an alternating voltage are transmitted but are converted to a single polarity of the circuits output.



2. Precision Rectifier

2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

- The PFWR can rectify input voltages with millivolt amplitudes
- => useful to prepare signals for multiplication, averaging, or demodulation
- The precision rectifier is also called an **absolute-value** circuit.
- The absolute value of a number (or voltage) is equal to its magnitude regardless of sign.

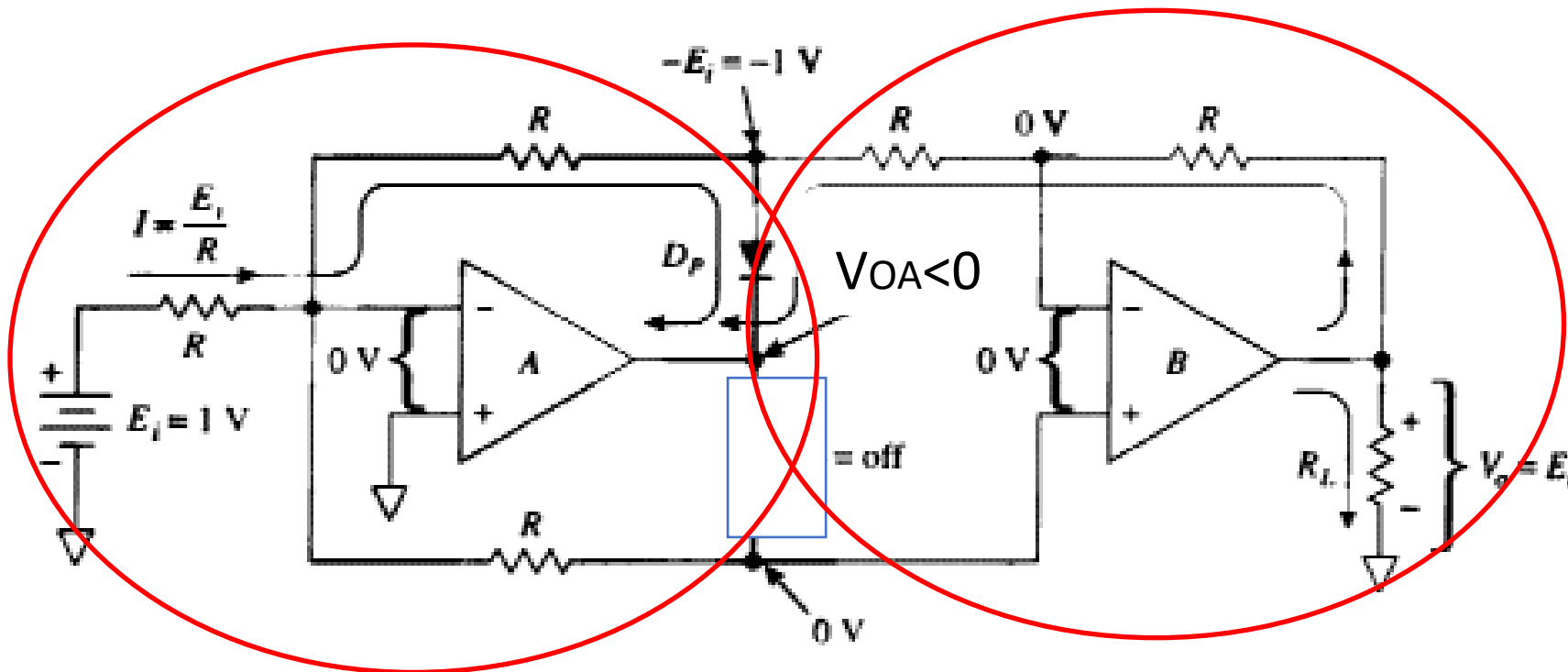


2. Precision Rectifier

2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

- Uses two op amps, two diodes, and five equal resistors.
- This circuit has an input resistance equal to R . (Disadvantage)

Positive Input : D_P on; D_N off

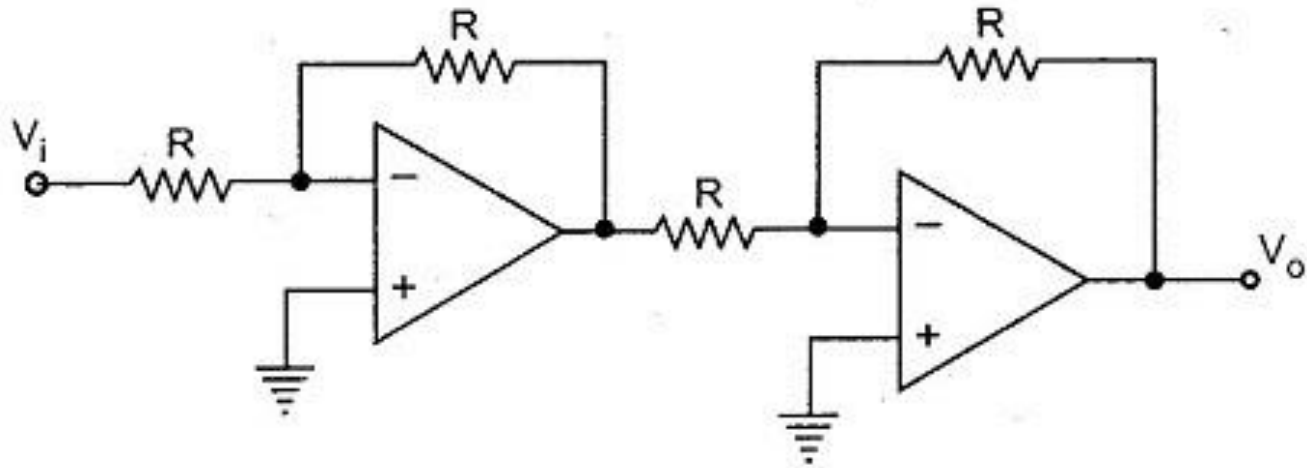


(a) For positive inputs D_P conducts; op amps A and B act as inverting amplifiers.

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2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

Two consecutive inverting op-amp

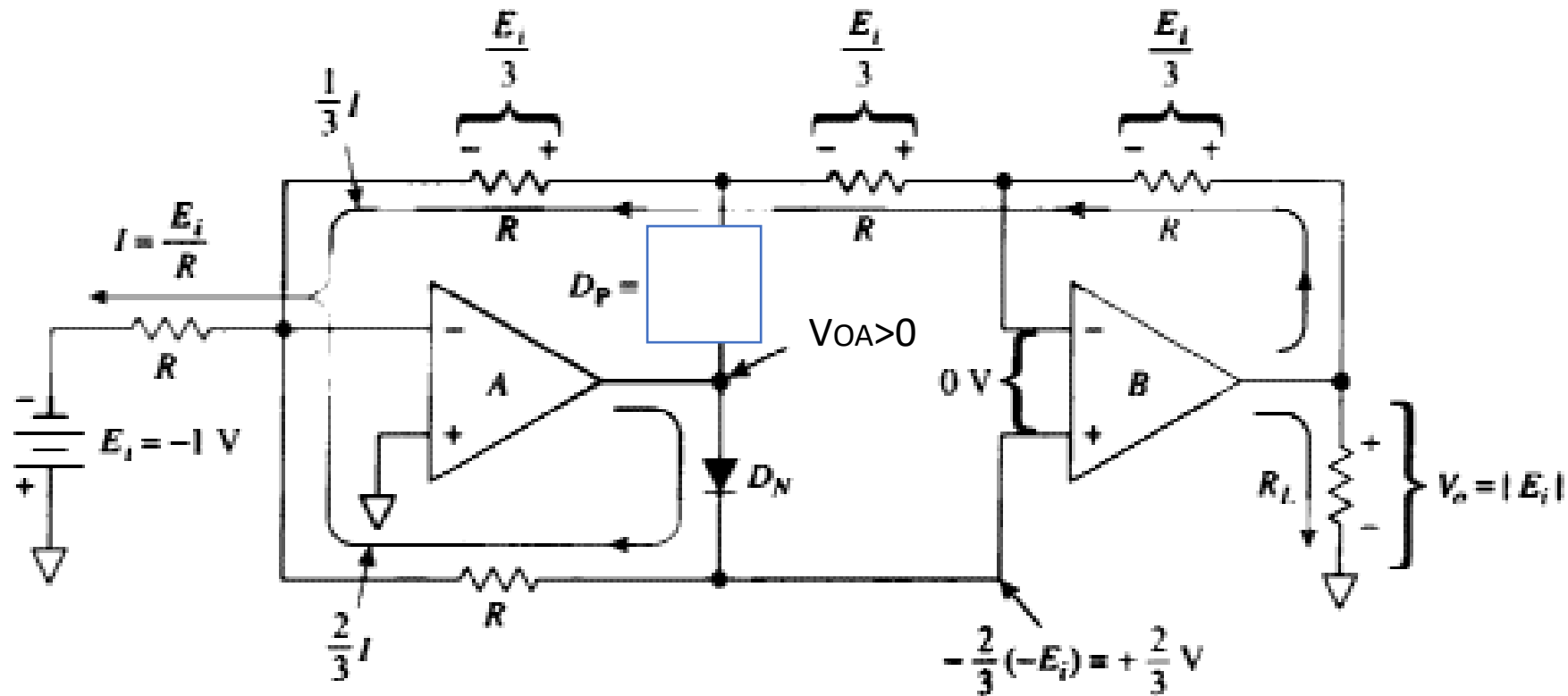


$$V_o = V_i = +E$$

2. Precision Rectifier

2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier

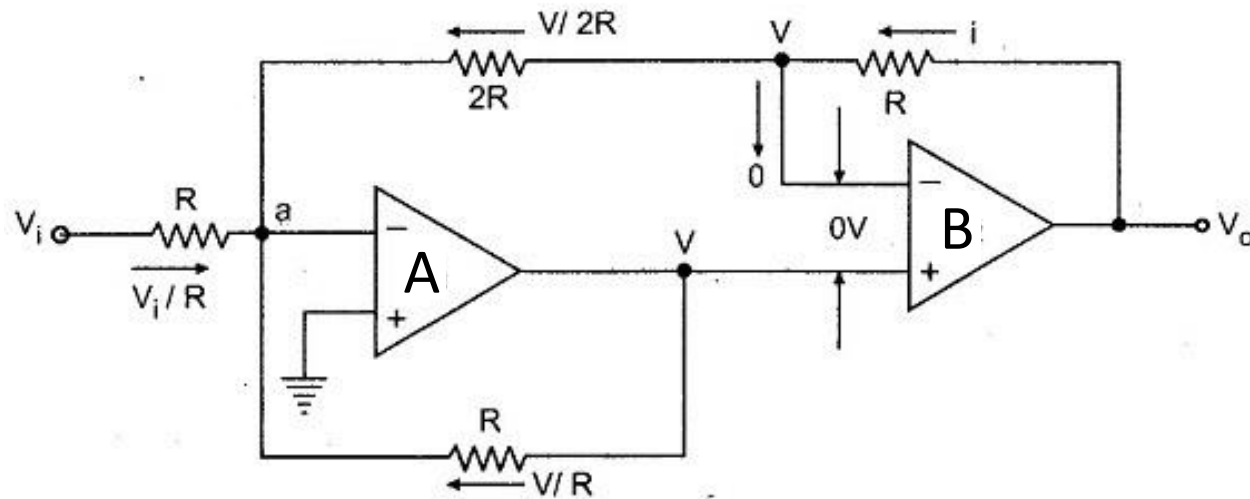
Negative Input : D_P on; D_N off



(b) For negative inputs, D_N conducts.

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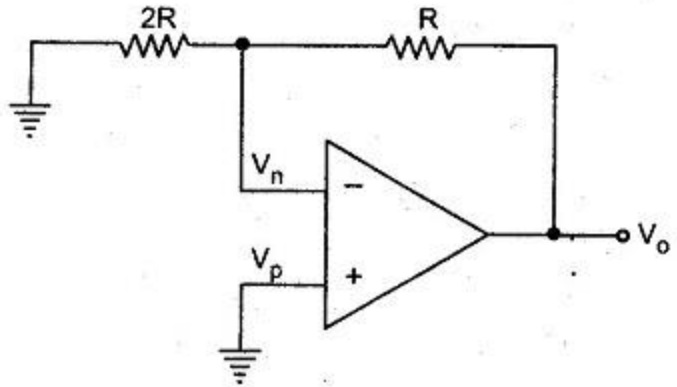
$$\frac{V_i}{R} + \frac{V}{2R} + \frac{V}{R} = 0$$

$$\frac{3V}{2R} = -\frac{V_i}{R}$$

$$V = -\frac{2V_i}{3}$$

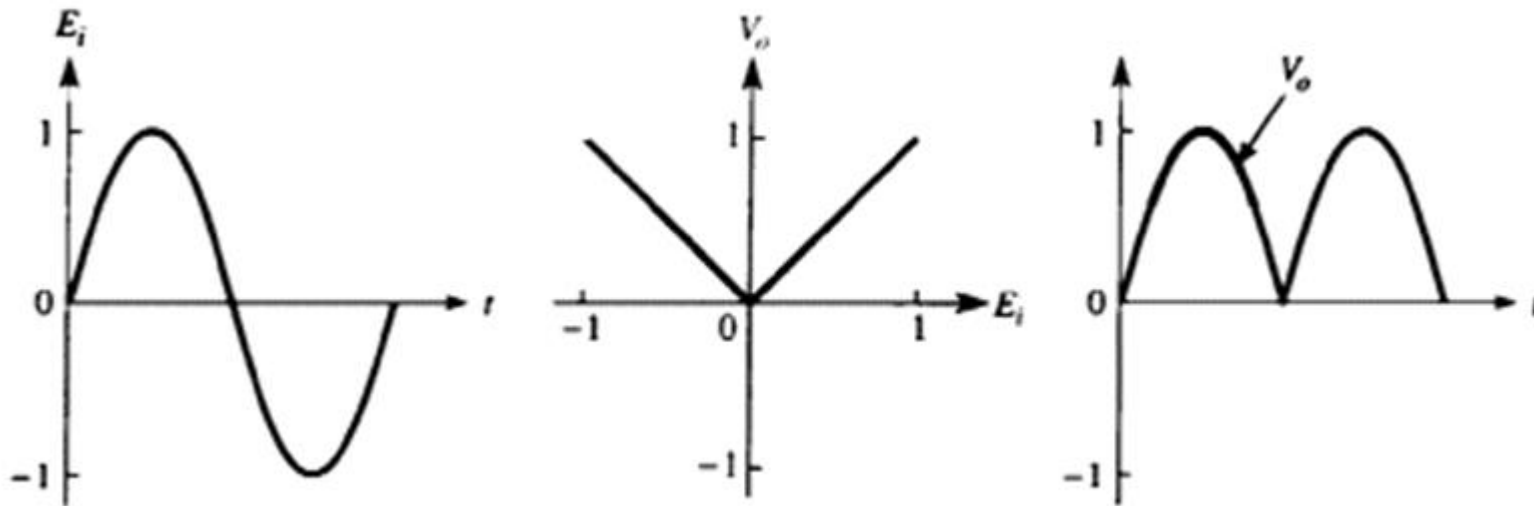
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2.3. Precision Full-Wave Rectifier



$$V_P = V_N = V = -\frac{2V_i}{3}$$

$$V_o = \left(1 + \frac{R}{2R}\right) V_p = -V_i = |E|$$



3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

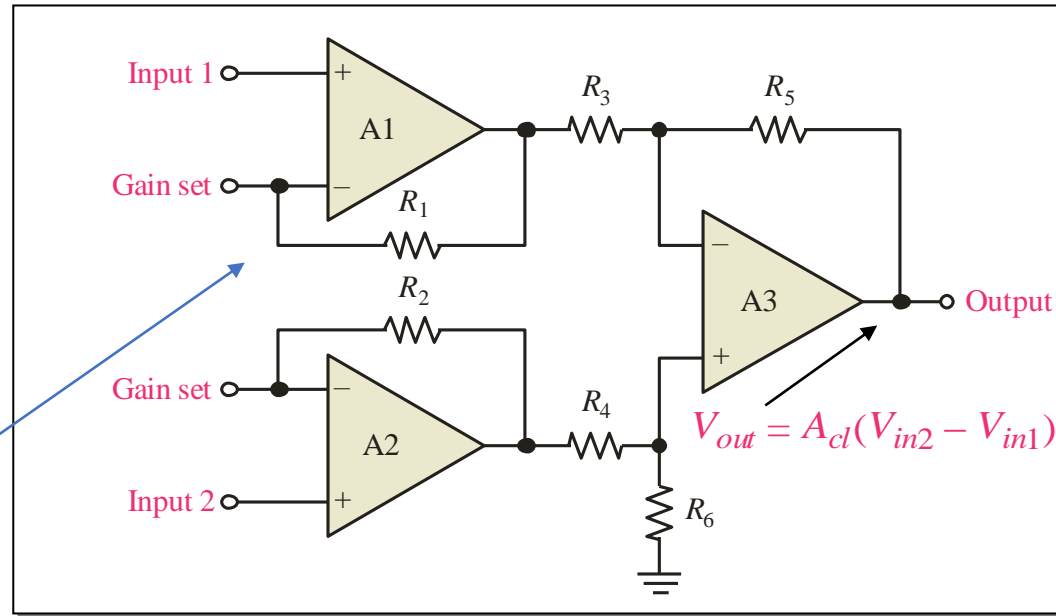
3.1. Instrumentation Amplifier

3.2. Operational Transconductance Amplifier (OTA)

3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

3.1. Instrumentation Amplifier

- An **instrumentation amplifier** (IA) amplifies the voltage difference between its terminals. It is optimized for small differential signals that may be riding on a large common mode voltages.



- The gain is set by a single resistor that is supplied by the user .

3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

3.1. Instrumentation Amplifier

- Very high CMRR
- Fixed, precision, internal gain
- Always used as difference amp

We have

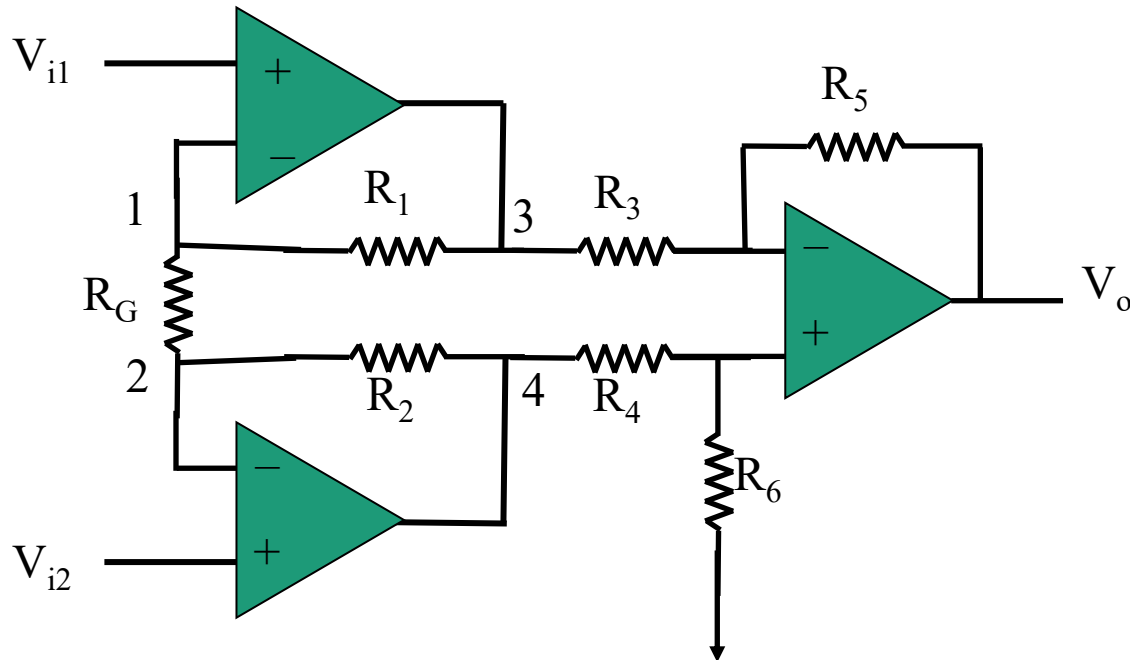
$$V_{out} = (V_4 - V_3)$$

Current between point 3 and 4

$$I = \frac{(V_3 - V_4)}{2R + R_G}$$

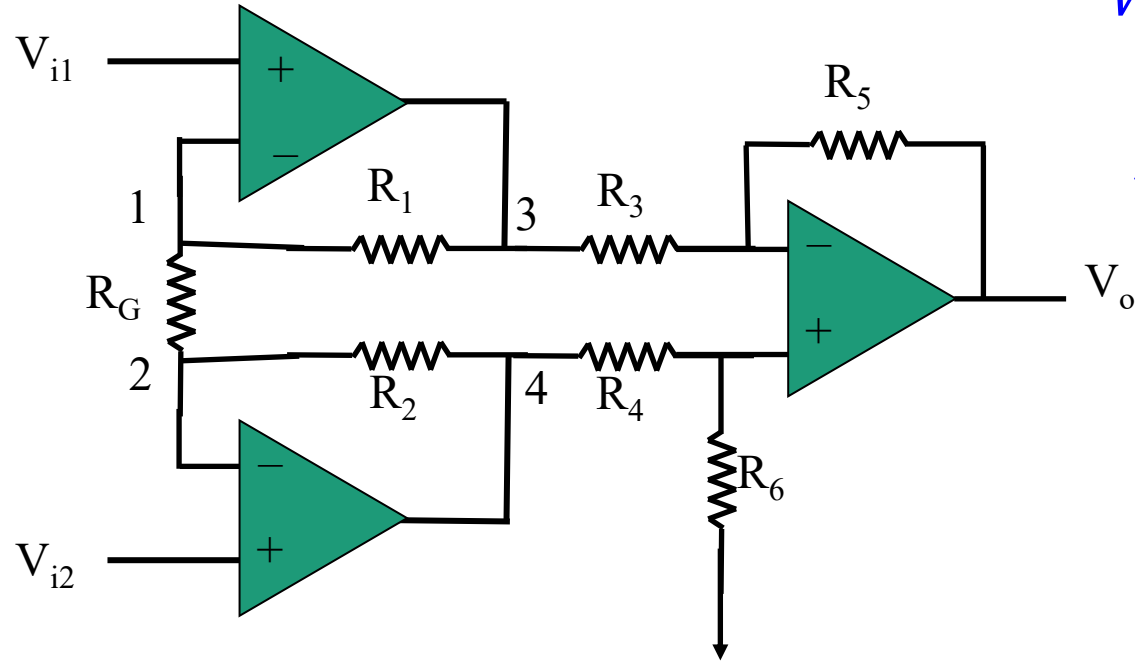
In other hand,

$$I = \frac{V_1 - V_2}{R_G}$$



3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

3.1. Instrumentation Amplifier



$$V_3 - V_4 = (V_1 - V_2) \left(\frac{2R}{R_G} + 1 \right)$$

$$V_{out} = (V_2 - V_1) \left(\frac{2R}{R_G} + 1 \right)$$

Note that $V_1 = V_{i1}$, $V_2 = V_{i2}$

$$A_v = \frac{2R}{R_G} + 1$$

$$R_G = \frac{2R}{A_v - 1}$$

3. Practical Amplifiers using Op-Amp

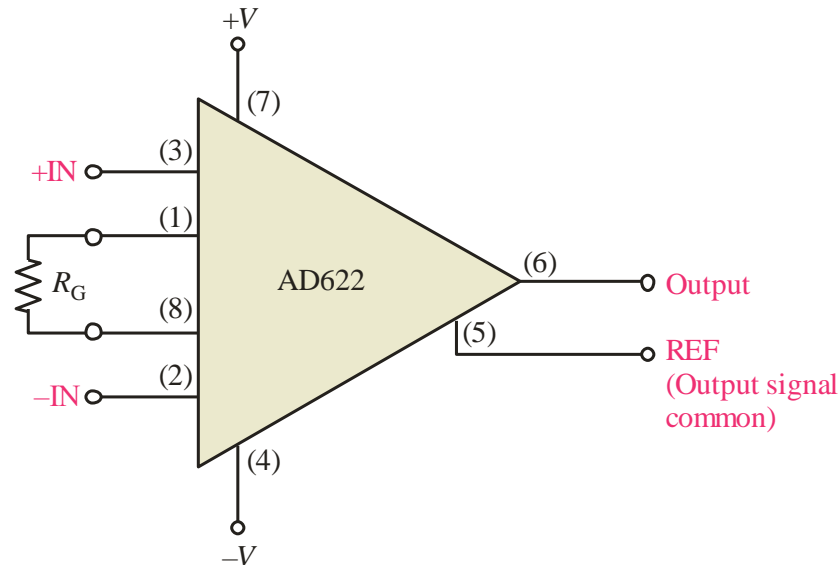
3.1. Instrumentation Amplifier

- An IA that is based on the three op-amp design is the AD622. The formula for choosing R_G is:

$$R_G = \frac{50.5 \text{ k}\Omega}{A_v - 1}$$

- Example: What value of R_G will set the gain to 35?
- Solution:

$$R_G = \frac{50.5 \text{ k}\Omega}{A_v - 1} = \frac{50.5 \text{ k}\Omega}{35 - 1}$$
$$= 1.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$



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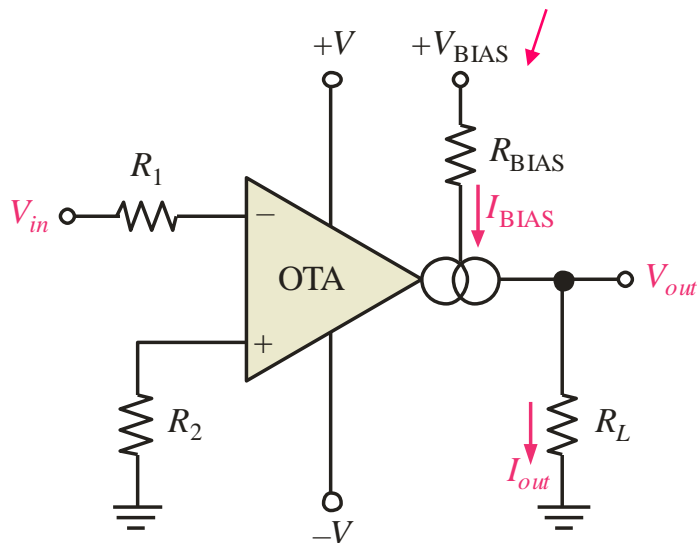
3.2. Operational Transconductance Amplifier

- The **operational transconductance amplifier (OTA)** is a voltage-to-current amplifier.

- As in the case of FETs, the conductance and the gain of an amplifier are:

$$g_m = \frac{I_{out}}{V_{in}} \quad A_v = g_m R_L$$

The gain is controlled by V_{BIAS} in this circuit.

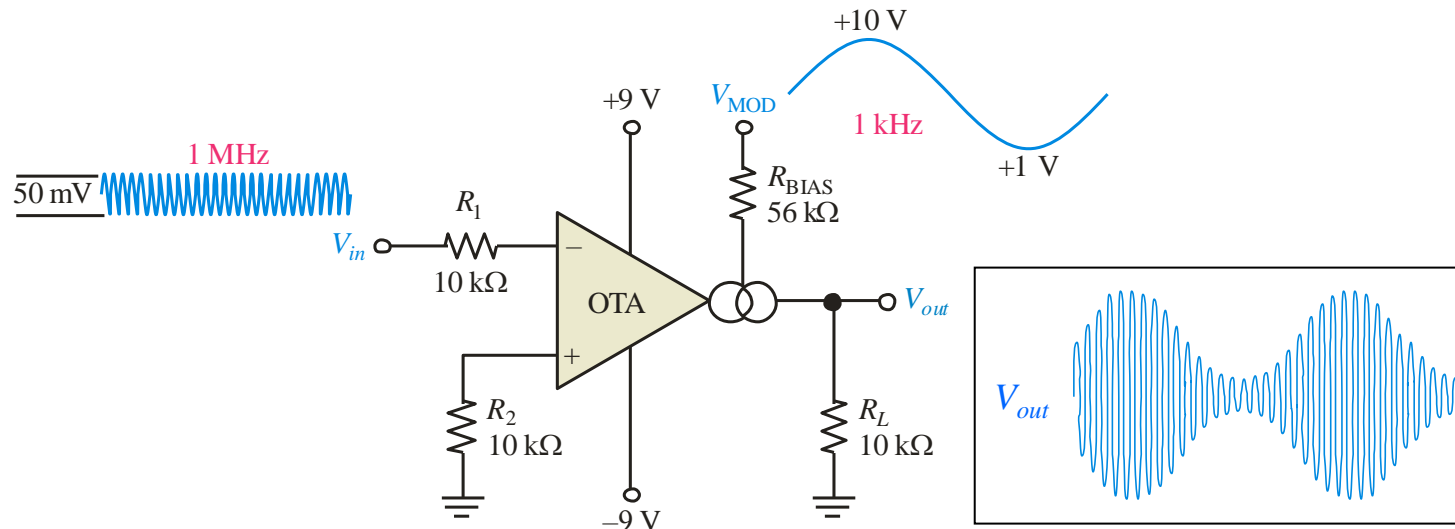


- Unlike FETs, the OTA has a g_m that can be “programmed” by the amount of bias current.
- Variable Gain Amplifier
(changed electronically by varying a dc voltage)

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3.2. Operational Transconductance Amplifier

- Applications for OTAs include voltage controlled low-pass or high-pass filters, voltage-controlled waveform generators and amplifiers, modulators, comparators, and Schmitt triggers.
- In this example from the text, an amplitude modulator is shown.



Quiz 1.

Quiz Number	1	Quiz Type	OX	Example Select
Question	An application where an isolation amplifier is particularly useful is when			
Example	A. the input signal has very large dynamic range B. control of the frequency response is necessary C. voltages could present a hazard D. all of the above			
Answer	C			
Feedback				

Quiz 2.

Quiz Number	2	Quiz Type	OX	Example Select
Question	A circuit that is useful for signal compression is a			
Example	A. instrumentation amplifier B. OTA C. logarithmic amplifier D. antilog amplifier			
Answer	C			
Feedback				

Summary

1. **Active Filter:** An amplifier used for amplifying small signals riding on large common-mode voltages.
2. **Precision Half-Wave Rectifier:** An inverting amplifier adding two diodes in both path.
3. **Precision Full-Wave Rectifier:** Uses two op amps, two diodes, and five equal resistors, can rectify input voltages with millivolt amplitudes.
4. **Instrumentation amplifier:** An amplifier used for amplifying small signals riding on large common-mode voltages.
5. **Isolation amplifier:** An amplifier with electrically isolated internal stages.
6. **Transconductance:** In an electronic device, the ratio of the output current to the input voltage.
7. **Operational transconductance Amplifier:** A voltage-to-current amplifier.

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Lesson 13: Linear Source

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