

Experiment 6

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1 Objective

Design and fabricate PWM and PPM Modulators using 555 timers.

2 Components and Equipment Required

IC-555 *DSO *Power supply (variable)*connecting wire *Breadboard *probes *Resistance *DSO *Function generator

3 Theory

3.1 Pulse Width Modulation

If the duration of pulse or pulse width is changed as per the samples of message signal the resulting modulation is known as pulse width modulation.

PWM generator can be design by using a sawtooth generator and comparator.

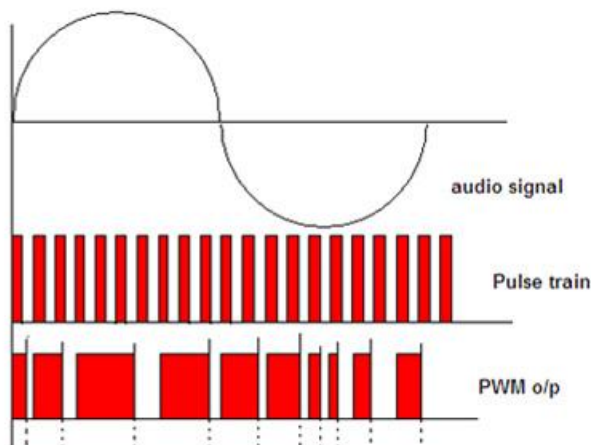
The sawtooth generator generates a sawtooth signal which is used as a sampling signal.

The comparator compare the amplitude of modulating signal and the amplitude of sampling signal i.e sawtooth signal.

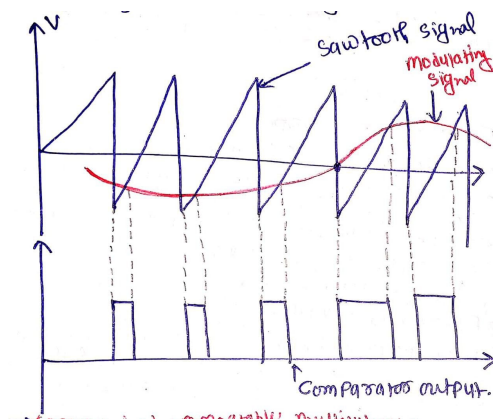
The output of comparator is high as long as amplitude of message signal is greater than that of the sawtooth signal.

Thus the duration for which the comparator output remains high is directly proportional to the amplitude of the modulating signal.

As result the comparator output is a PWM signal shown in below figure.



(a) PWM Modulation

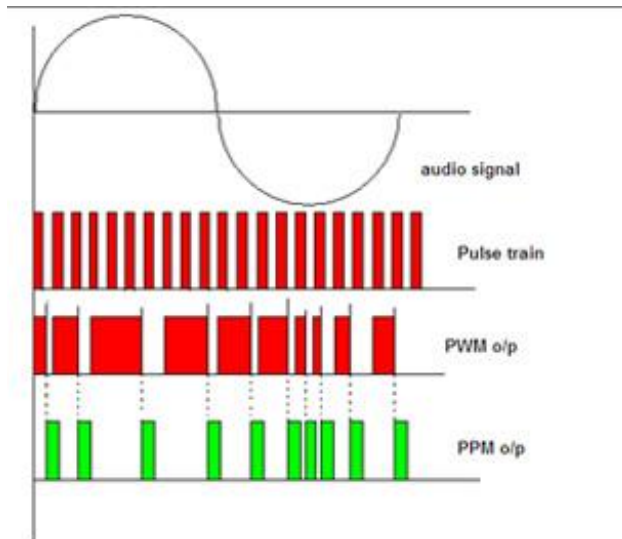


(b) When we take sawtooth signal

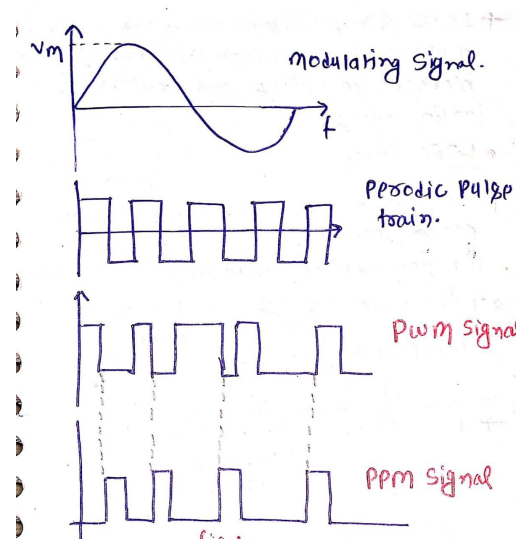
3.2 Pulse Position Modulation

In pulse position modulation scheme in which amplitude and width of the pulses are kept constant, while the position of each pulse, with reference to the position of reference pulse, changes.

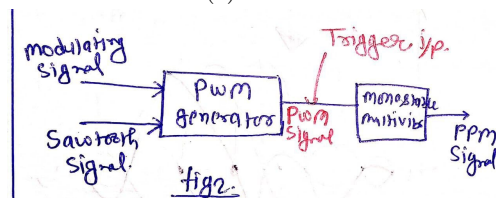
In PPM the amplitude and width of pulses are constant therefore transmitter handles constant power output, this is an advantage over PWM.



(a) PPM Modulation



(b)

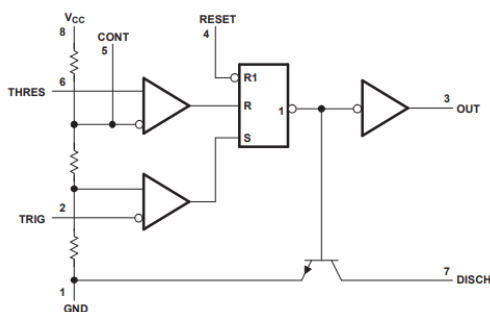


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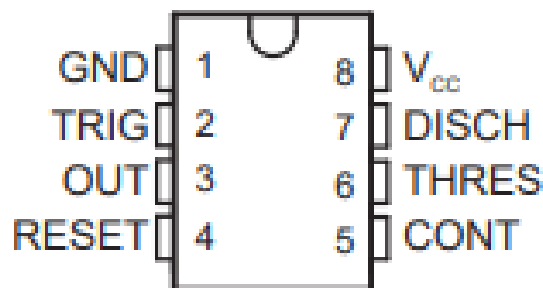
3.3 555 timer IC

This is an analog IC which is used in this experiment. The 555 timer IC is generally operated in three modes:

1. Astable Multivibrator
2. Monostable multivibrator
3. Bistable Multivibrators



(a) Block diagram of 555



(b) Pin diagram of 555

3.3.1 Astable Multivibrator

In an astable configuration, the timer continuously changes its output high to low and vice versa, which is achieved by charging and discharging of the capacitor connected to the THRES and TRIG pins of the timer. When

output is high the capacitor is charging because the transistor through which discharging has to occur is off, when the capacitor is charged to $V_{CC} (2/3)$ the output of the comparator connected to reset goes high and the output of 555 timer goes low and the transistor is turned on, due to which the capacitor starts discharging and when V_{CC} goes below $V_{CC}(1/3)$ the output again goes high and the capacitor again starts charging along with it. This process continues and we a square wave at the output of the timer. $T_H = 0.69(R_A + R_B)C$
 $T_L = 0.69R_B C$ Duty cycle $= R_A + R_B / R_A + 2R_B$

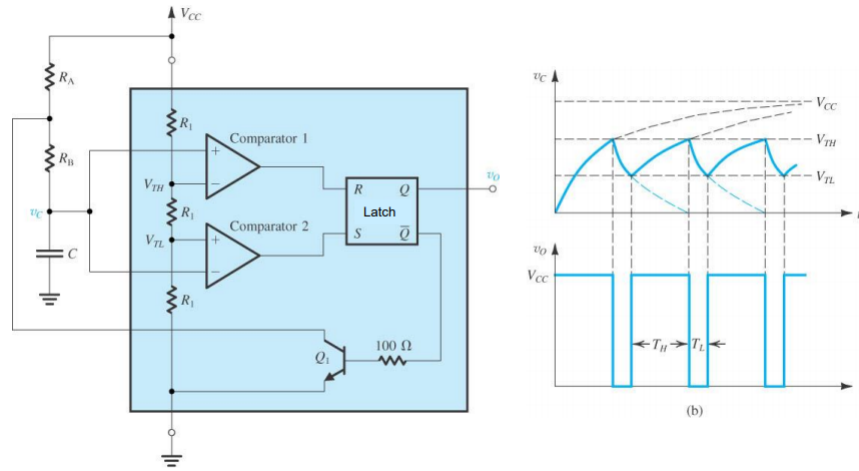


Figure 4: Astable Mode

3.3.2 Monostable multivibrator

This circuit diagram shows how a 555 timer IC is configured to function as a basic mono-stable multi-vibrator. A mono-stable multi-vibrator is a timing circuit that changes state once triggered, but returns to its original state after a certain time delay. It got its name from the fact that only one of its output states is stable. It is also known as a 'one-shot'.

In this circuit, a negative pulse applied at pin 2 triggers an internal flip-flop that turns off pin 7's discharge transistor, allowing C1 to charge up through R1. At the same time, the flip-flop brings the output (pin 3) level to 'high'. When capacitor C1 is charged up to about $2/3 V_{CC}$, the flip-flop is triggered once again, this time making the pin 3 output 'low' and turning on pin 7's discharge transistor, which discharges C1 to ground. This circuit, in effect, produces a pulse at pin 3 whose width t is just the product of $R1$ and $C1$, i.e., $t = R1C1$

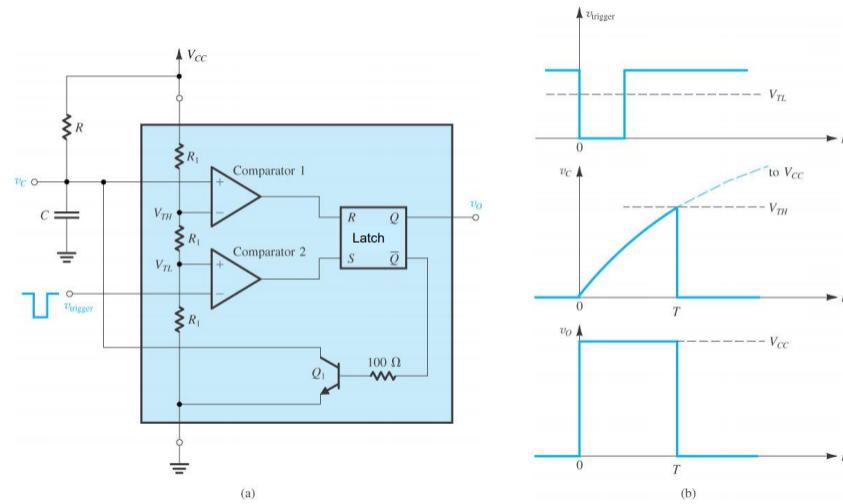


Figure 5: Monostable Mode

3.4 Circuit for PWM/PPM Modulation

In the circuit there are two stages of 555 timers. One is acting as MONO-STABLE MULTI-VIBRATOR while the second one is acting as an ASTABLE MULTI-VIBRATOR. The input signal is applied to a-stable stage and its output is connected to the input of mono-stable stage which at its output gives us, pulse position modulated signal. The input signal is applied to the control terminal of the a-stable multi-vibrator when the input signal amplitude varies the control terminal voltage changes and the switching voltage of the a-stable multi-vibrator changes accordingly and the width of the output pulse of the a-stable multi-vibrator changes and the time when the mono-stable is triggered varies with the width of the output of the Astable multi-vibrator and the position of the output pulses

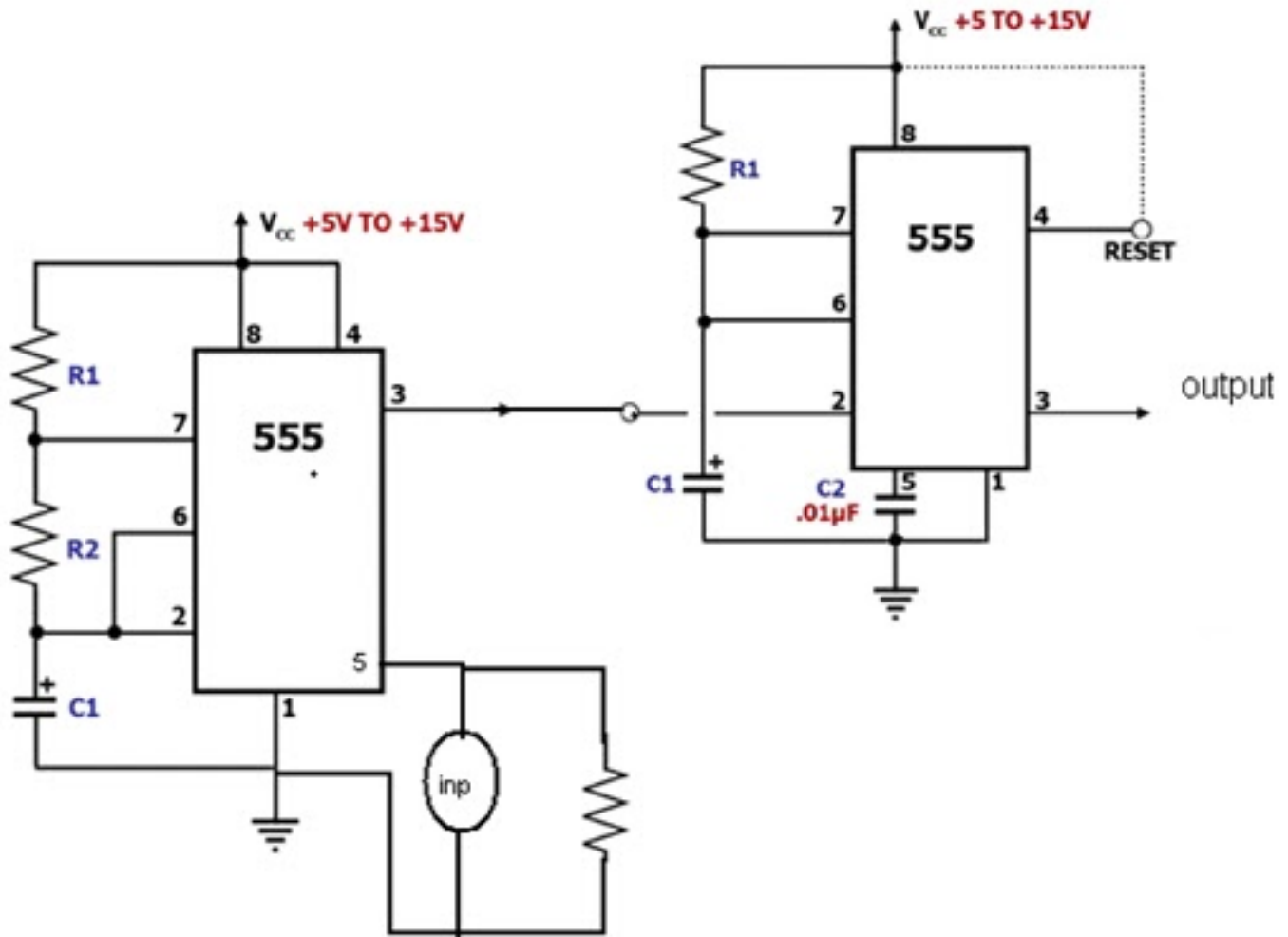


Figure 6: Generation of PWM/PPM

4 Observation/Results

We take

$R1=10K\Omega$

$R2=10K\Omega$

$C=0.01\mu F$

$VDD=5V$.

4.1 when 555 timer operated in astable mode

in this we did not give message signal this is simple square waveform generating. The frequency of square waveform is 5.3Khz

Duty cycle=65.14 percent



Figure 7: Square waveform

4.2 PWM

When we give input message signal at Pin-2 in Astable mode ,we get pwm output.we see when amplitude is high the duty cycle is high but when amplitude is low duty cycle is low.

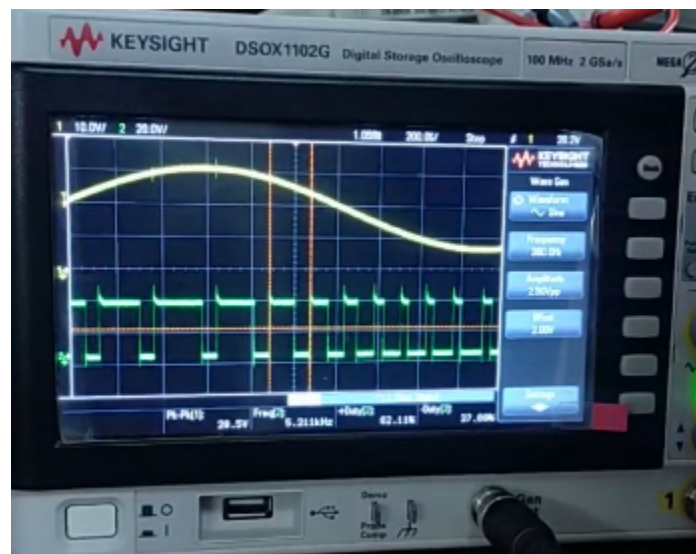
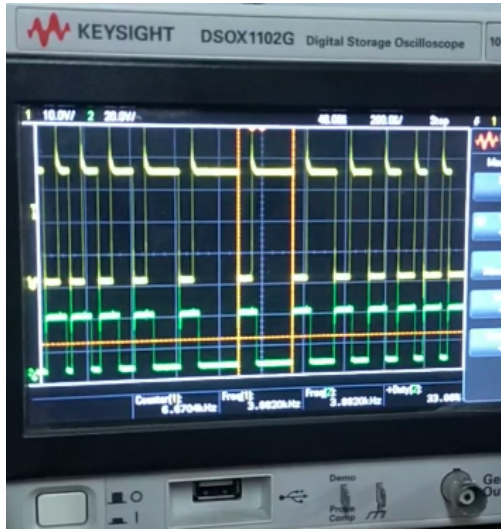


Figure 8: PWM output

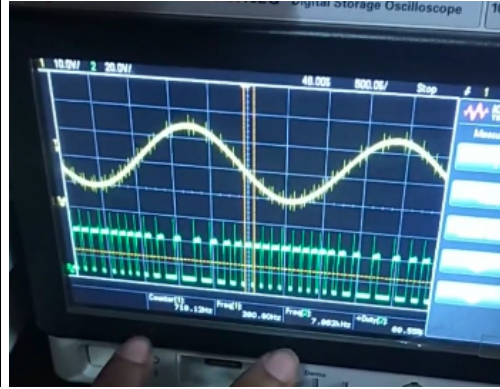
4.3 PPM

After generating of PWM we give this PWM in Monostable mode of 555 timer at pin-2.so we get output Pulse position modulation shown in below figure.

when their is falling edge in pwm signal we get ppm pulse at output.



(a) PPM OUTPUT-1



(b) PPM OUTPUT-2

5 Conclusion/Sources of error

WE get First PWM modulated signal after that we gave this PWM signal into Monostable mode of 555 timer so we get final PPM modulated signal.. also when we calculate duty cycle theoretically by $D = R1 + R2 / R1 + 2R2$ we get Duty cycle 63.33 percent but practically we get duty cycle in astable mode of 555 timer is 65.14 percent.