



AUDIO AMPLIFIER

ELECTRONIC WORKSHOP - 2 PROJECT

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AUDIO AMPLIFIER DESIGN

Audio amplifiers are widely-used electronic circuits designed to increase the power of an input audio signal, resulting in a louder auditory output. In addition to amplification, they also play a crucial role in refining the quality of the audio by effectively minimizing any unwanted noise present in the input signal.

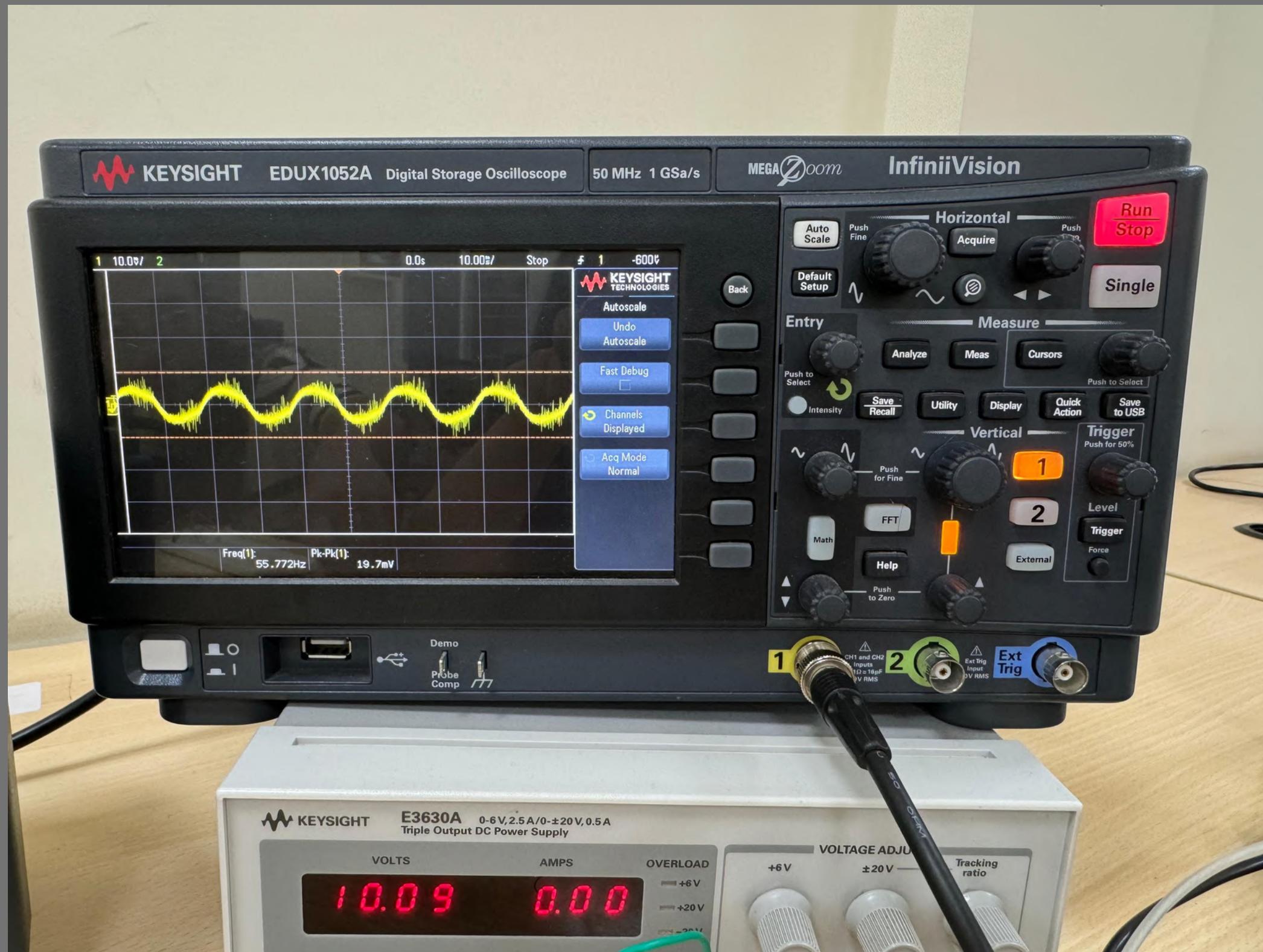
1.Pre-amp Stage

2.Gain Stage

3.Filter Stage

4.Power Amplifier Stage

TESTING MIC INPUT



19.7mVpp

Pre-Amp Stage

The preamplifier is a circuit designed to boost the strength of our input signal by a modest degree, preparing it for further amplification in the primary stage.

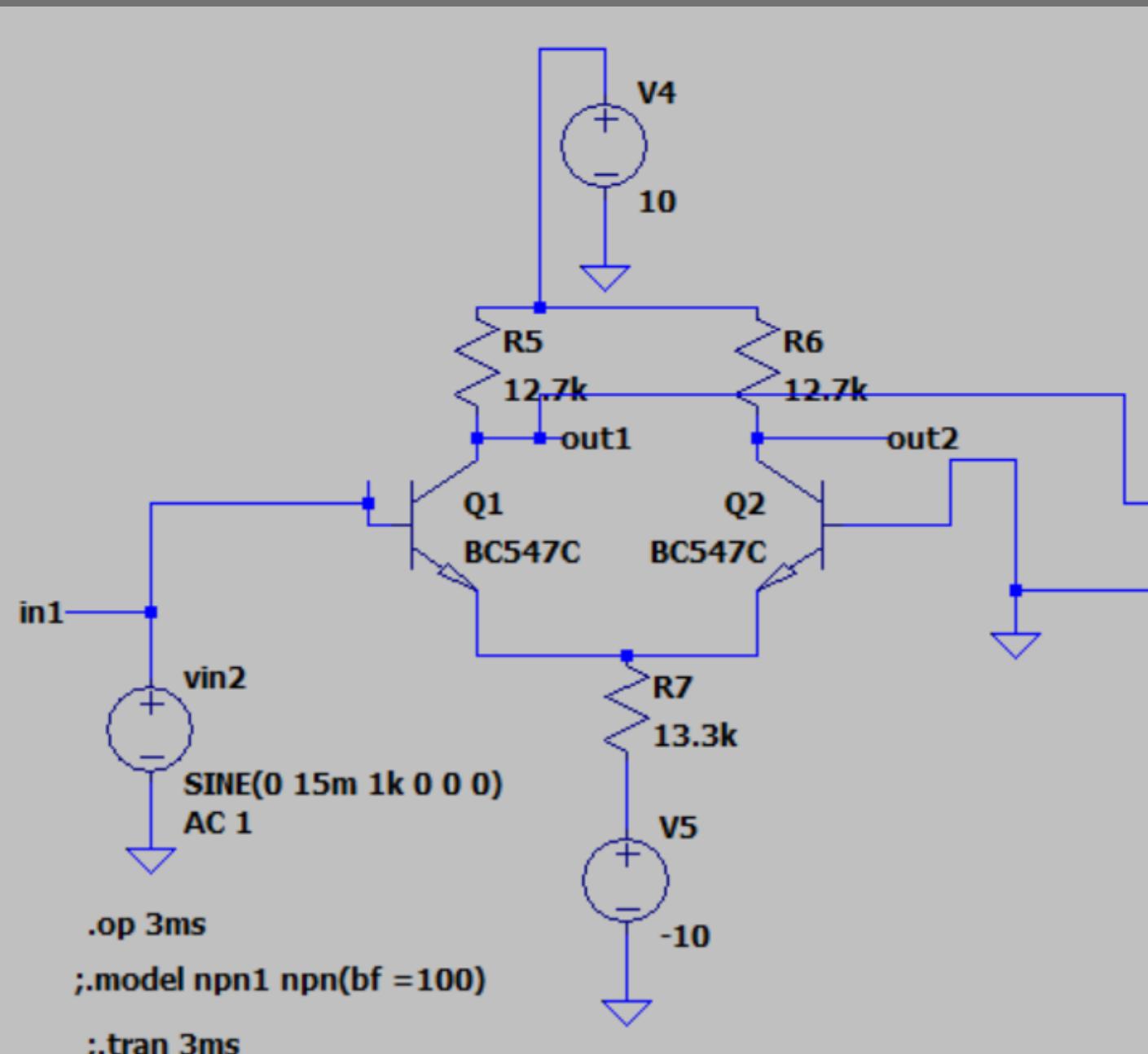
A (SISO) differential amplifier amplifies the difference between a single input signal and a fixed reference voltage, typically ground.

It rejects common-mode noise while providing amplification of the desired signal, making it useful in applications requiring precise signal amplification and noise rejection

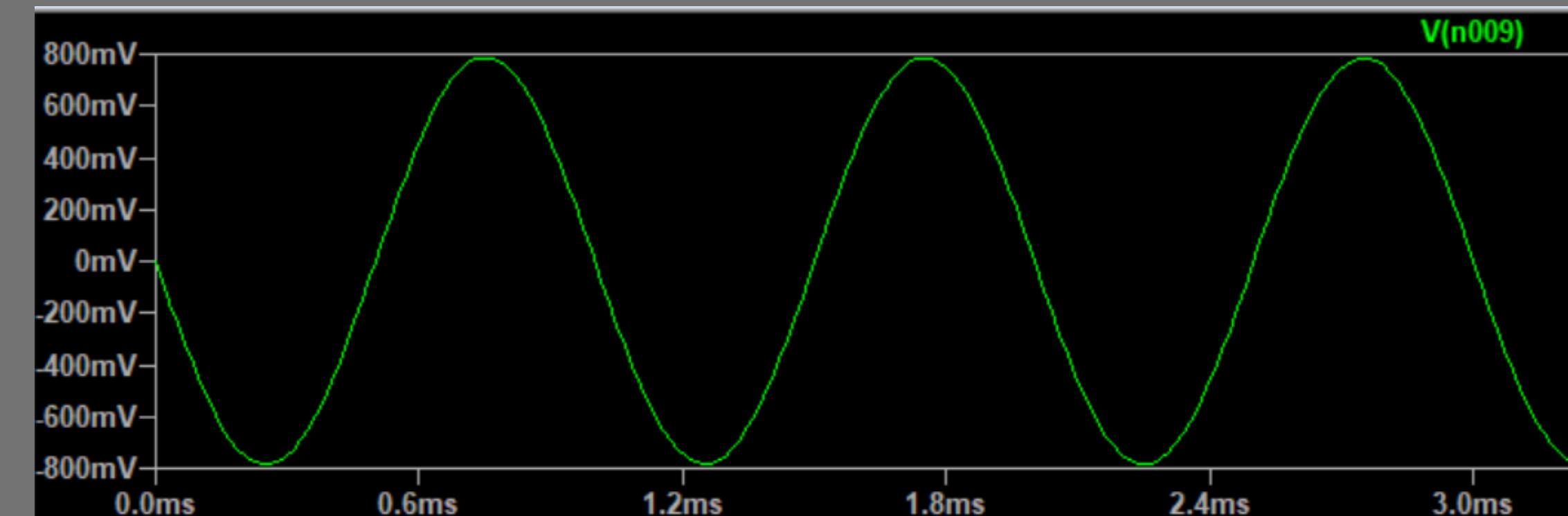
We have used BJT to design our differential amplifier as BJT's have higher gain range

SIMULATION

CIRCUIT



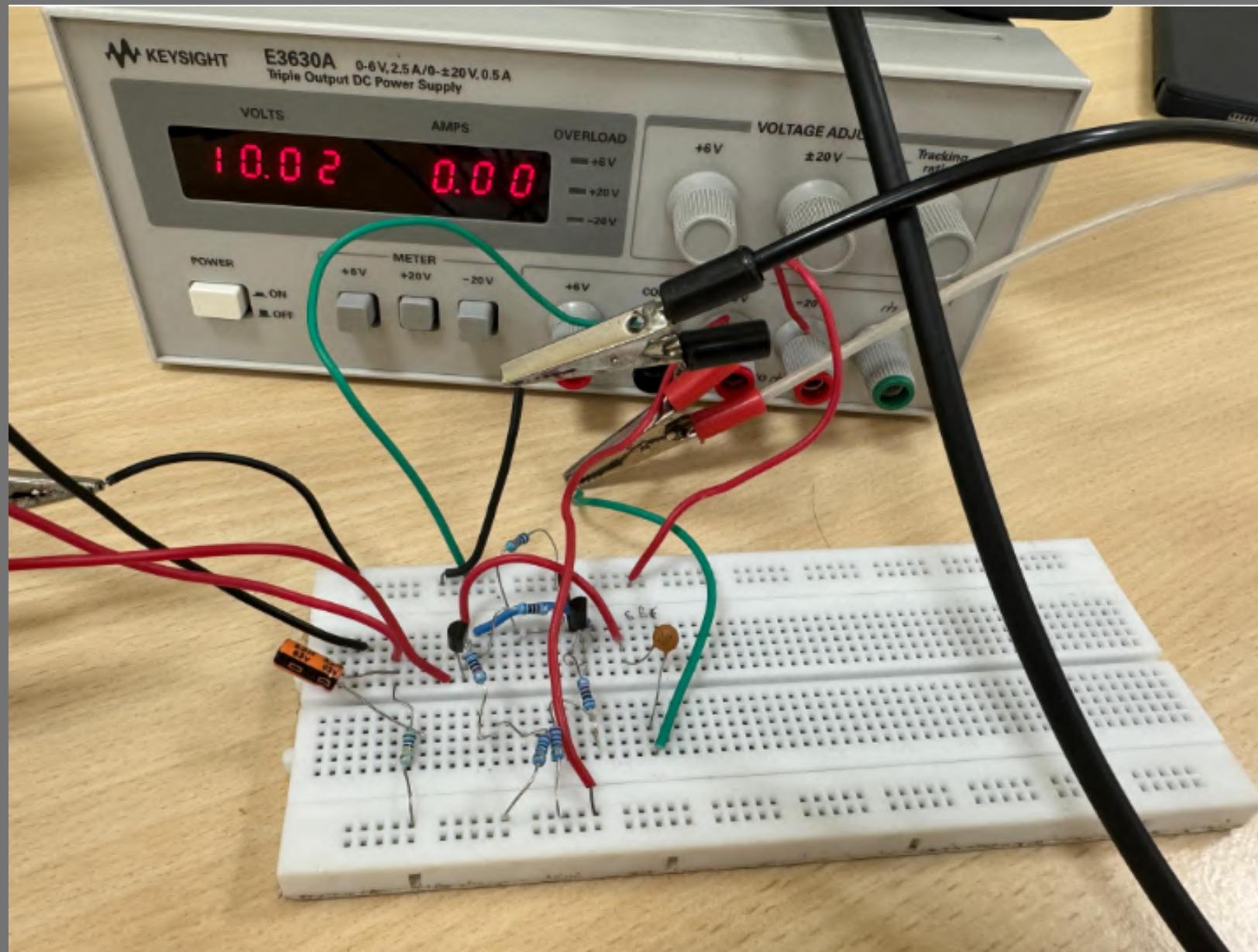
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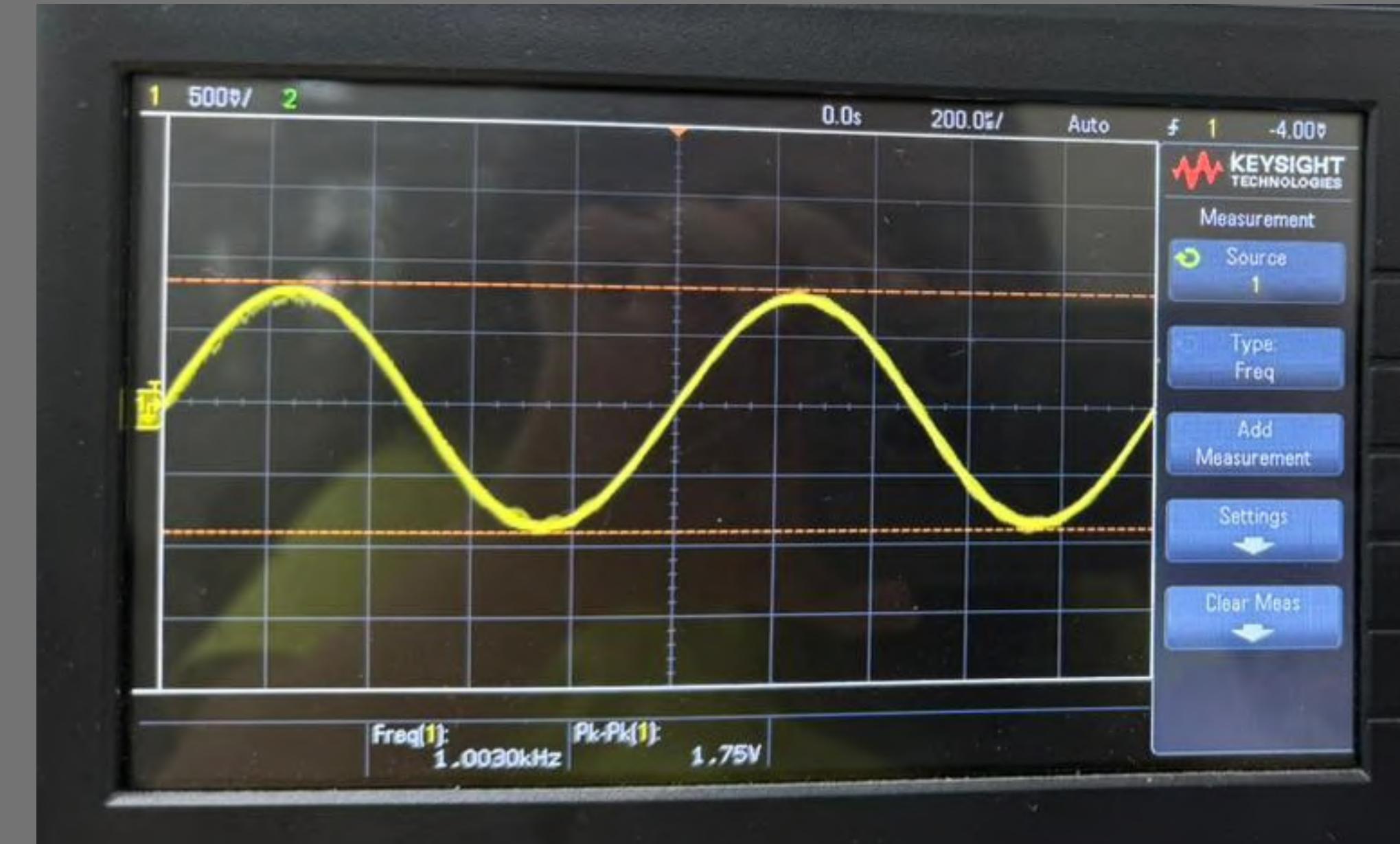
Input Voltage : 10mV
Output Voltage : 800 mV
Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 80$

HARDWARE

CIRCUIT

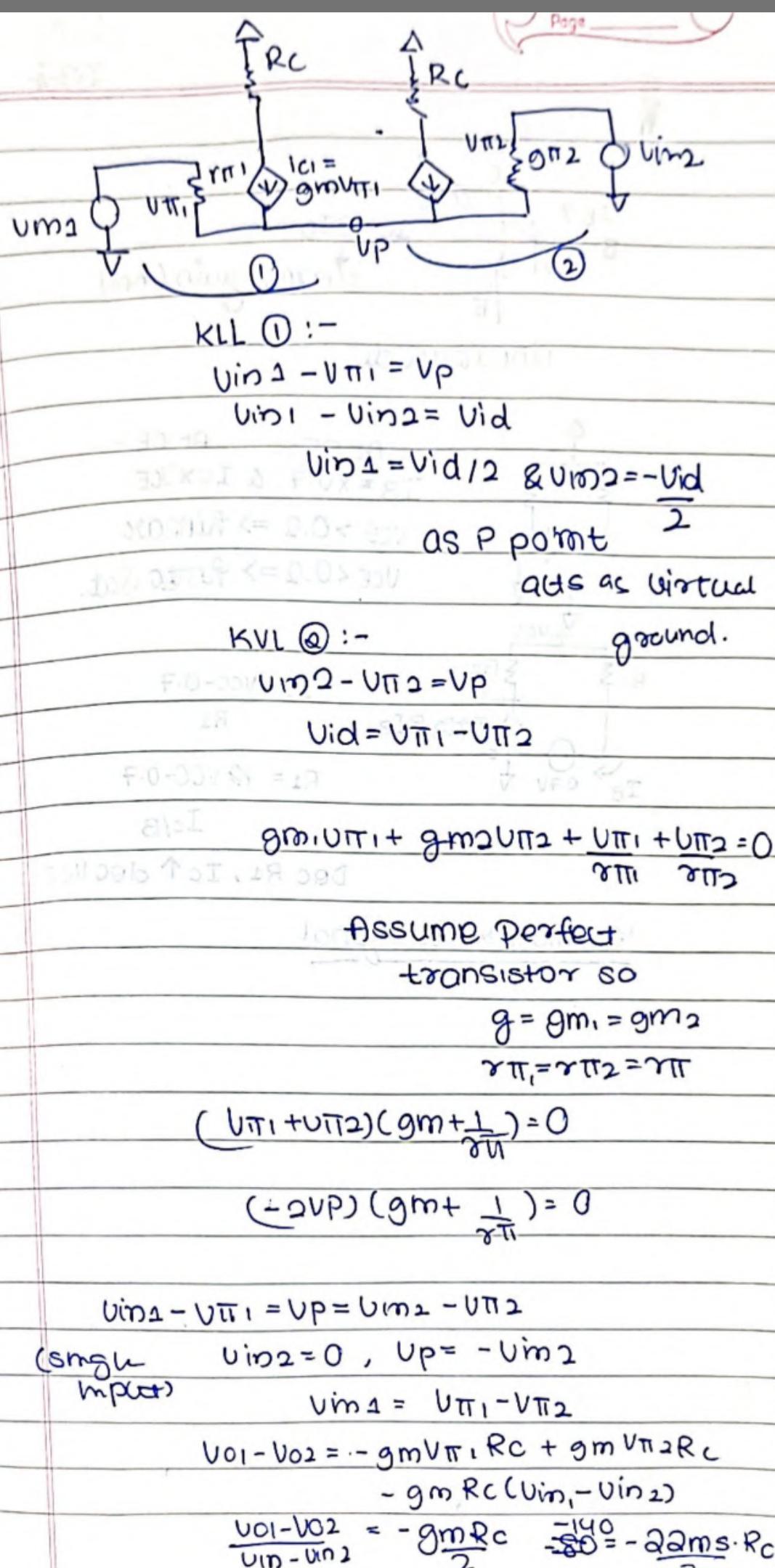


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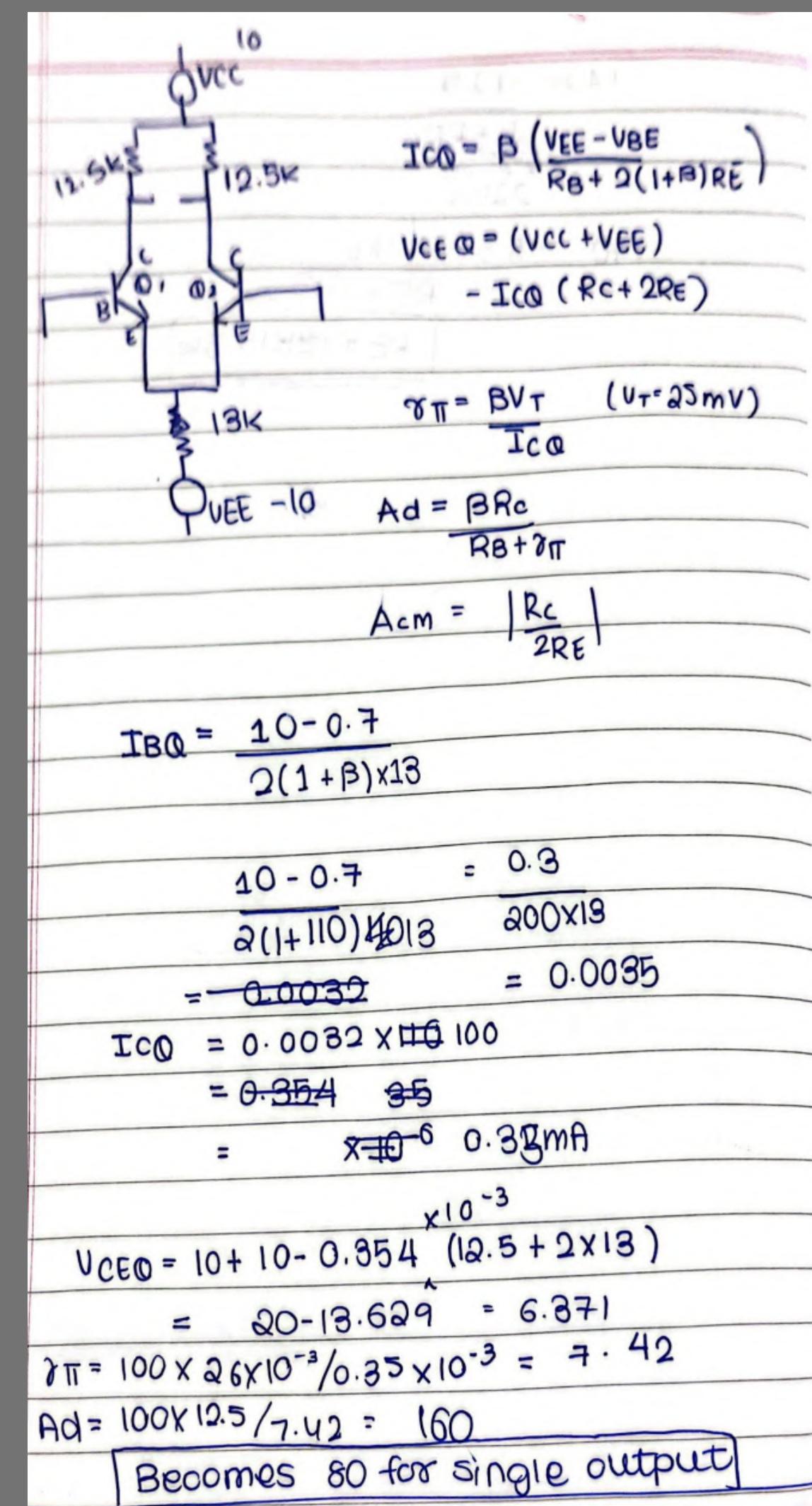


Input Voltage : 20mVpk Output Voltage : 1.75 pkV
Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 87.5$

CALCULATIONS



$$-140 = \frac{g_m R_c}{2} = \frac{Q_2 \cdot R_c}{2} \quad R_c = 12.72$$
 $A_{vd} = \frac{-R_c}{1/g_m + R_E} = -140 = \frac{-12.7}{1/22 + R_E}$
 $-140 = \frac{-12.7}{\frac{1}{22} + R_E}$
 $-140 = -6.3 - 140 R_E \quad R_E = 0.135$
 $R_E = 13.5 K$



GAIN STAGE

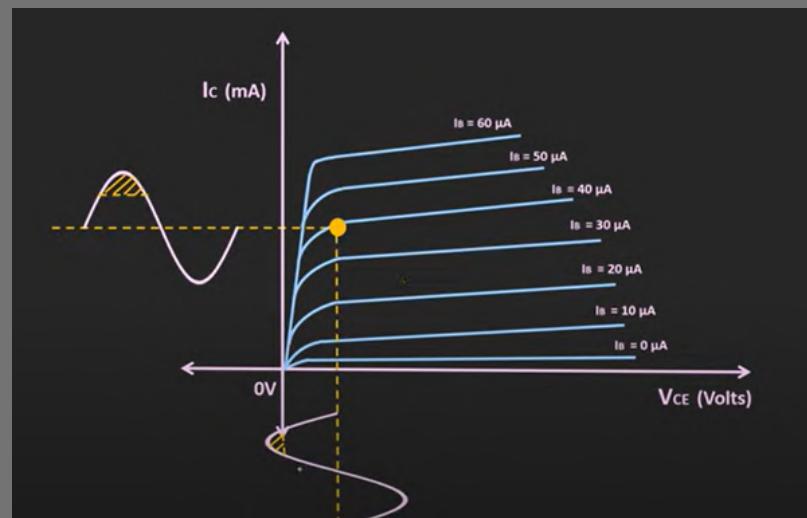
COMMON EMMITTER AMPLIFIER

A common emitter amplifier is a type of bipolar junction transistor (BJT) amplifier configuration that amplifies input voltage signals applied between the base and emitter terminals

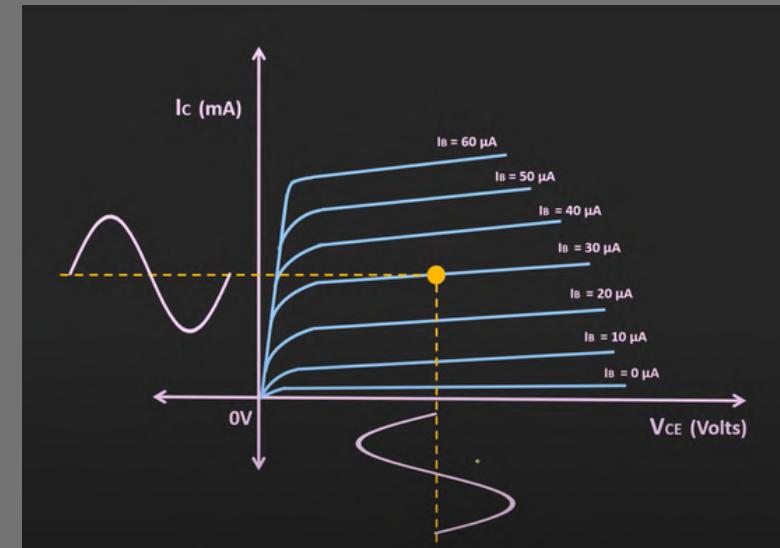
WHY CE COMPARED TO CS ?

We initially used CS amplifier (MOSFET) but operating area of mosfet is very small and hence finding the perfect operating point is difficult so we switched to bjt which has larger operating area

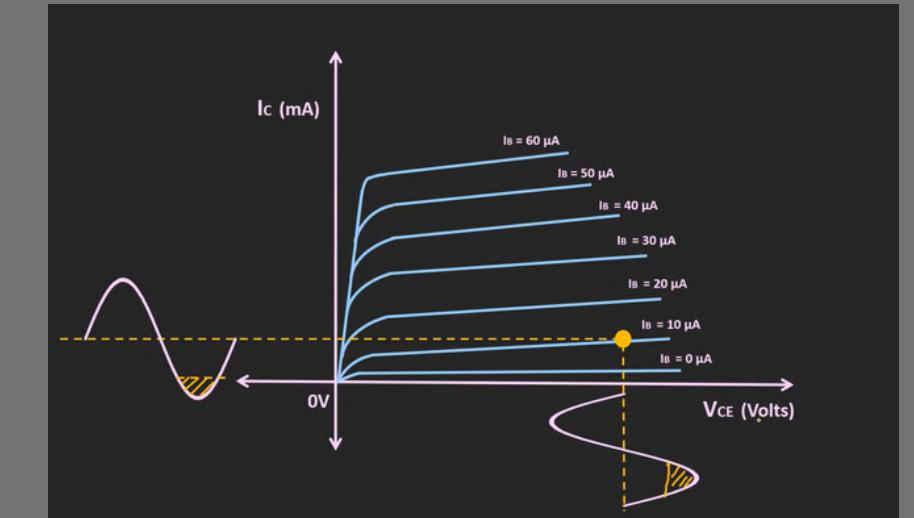
OPERATING REGION FOR MOSFET



TOWARDS LEFT - FALLING OUT OF
OPERATING REGION



IDEAL BIAS POINT



TOWARDS RIGHT - FALLING OUT OF
OPERATING REGION

GAIN STAGE

BUFFER BETWEEN STAGES

Adding a buffer between pre-amp and CE-amplifier
to do impedance matching between the 2 stages

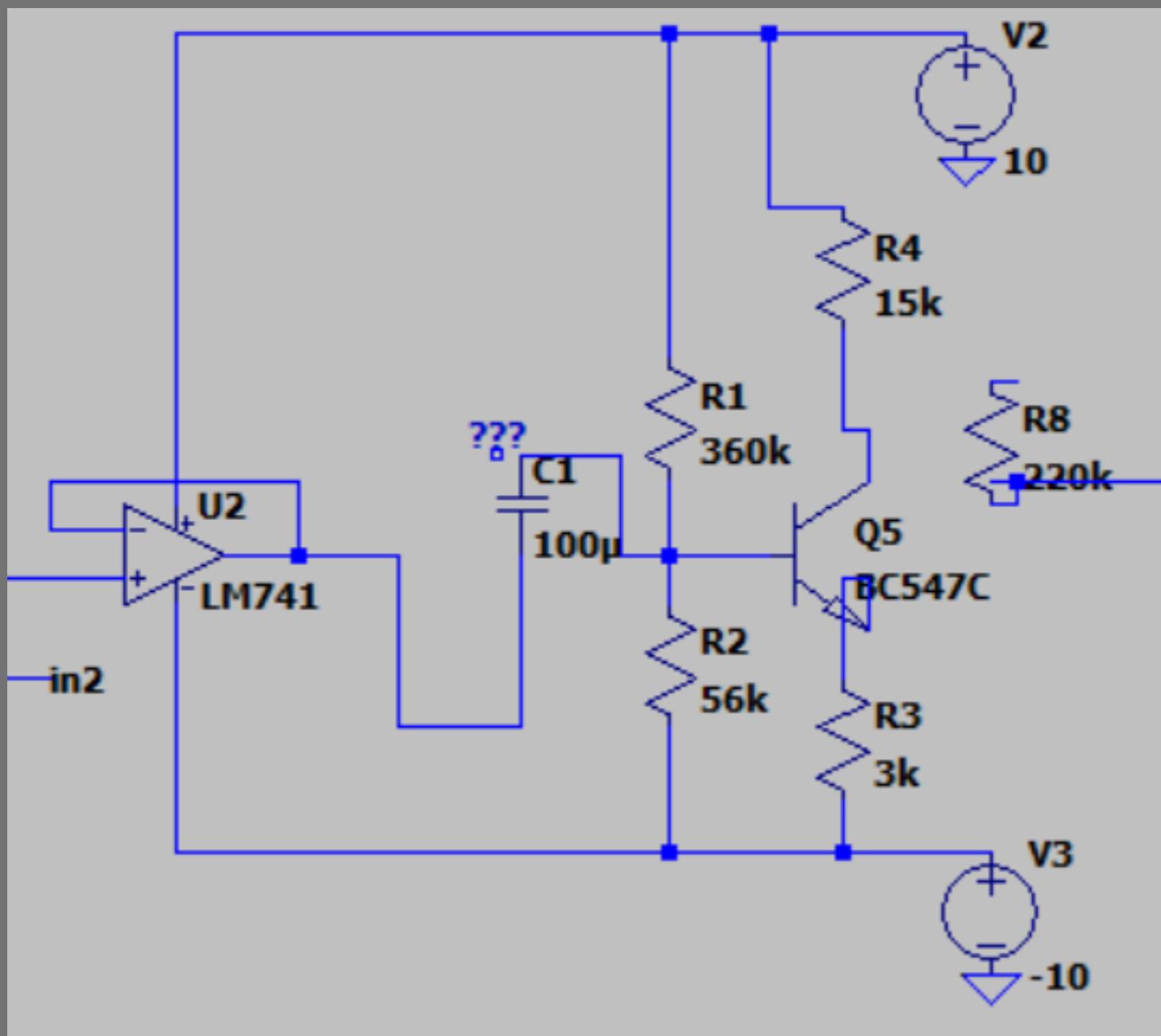
We used an opamp to create a buffer by configuring it in a
non-inverting unity gain configuration

In this setup, the op-amp operates with a feedback loop that
ensures the output voltage precisely matches the input
voltage

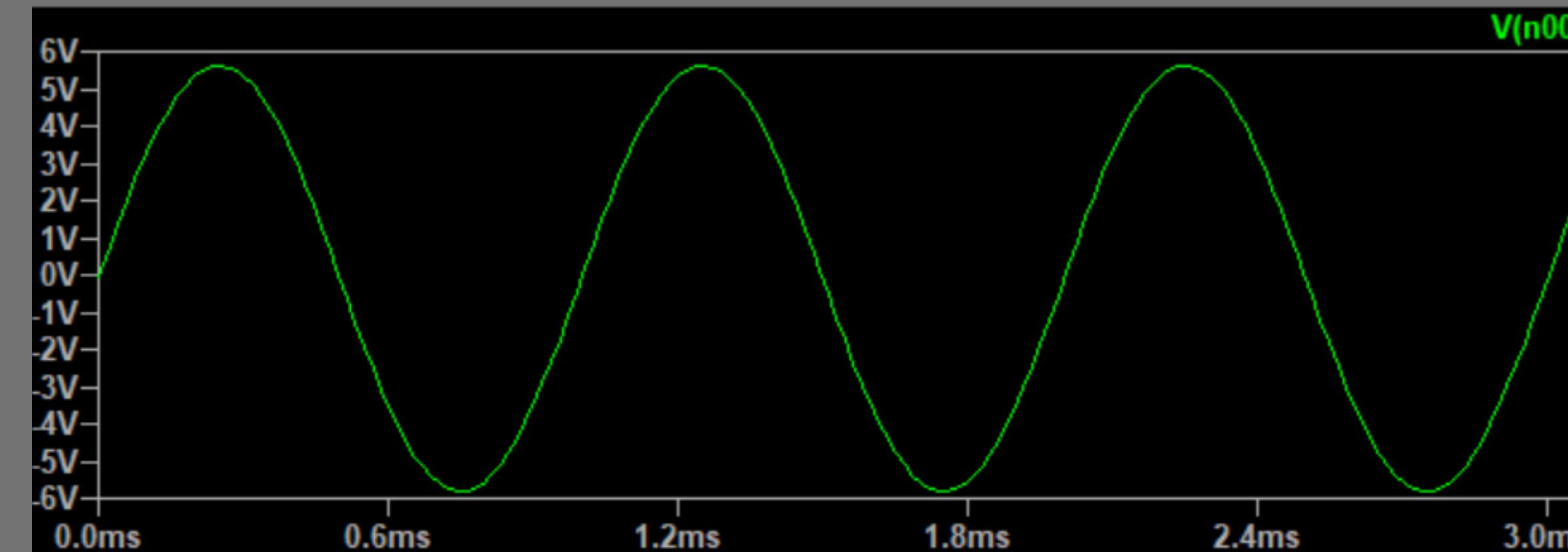
The ideal opamp has infinite input impedance and 0 output
impedance

SIMULATION

CIRCUIT



RESULT AFTER 2 STAGES



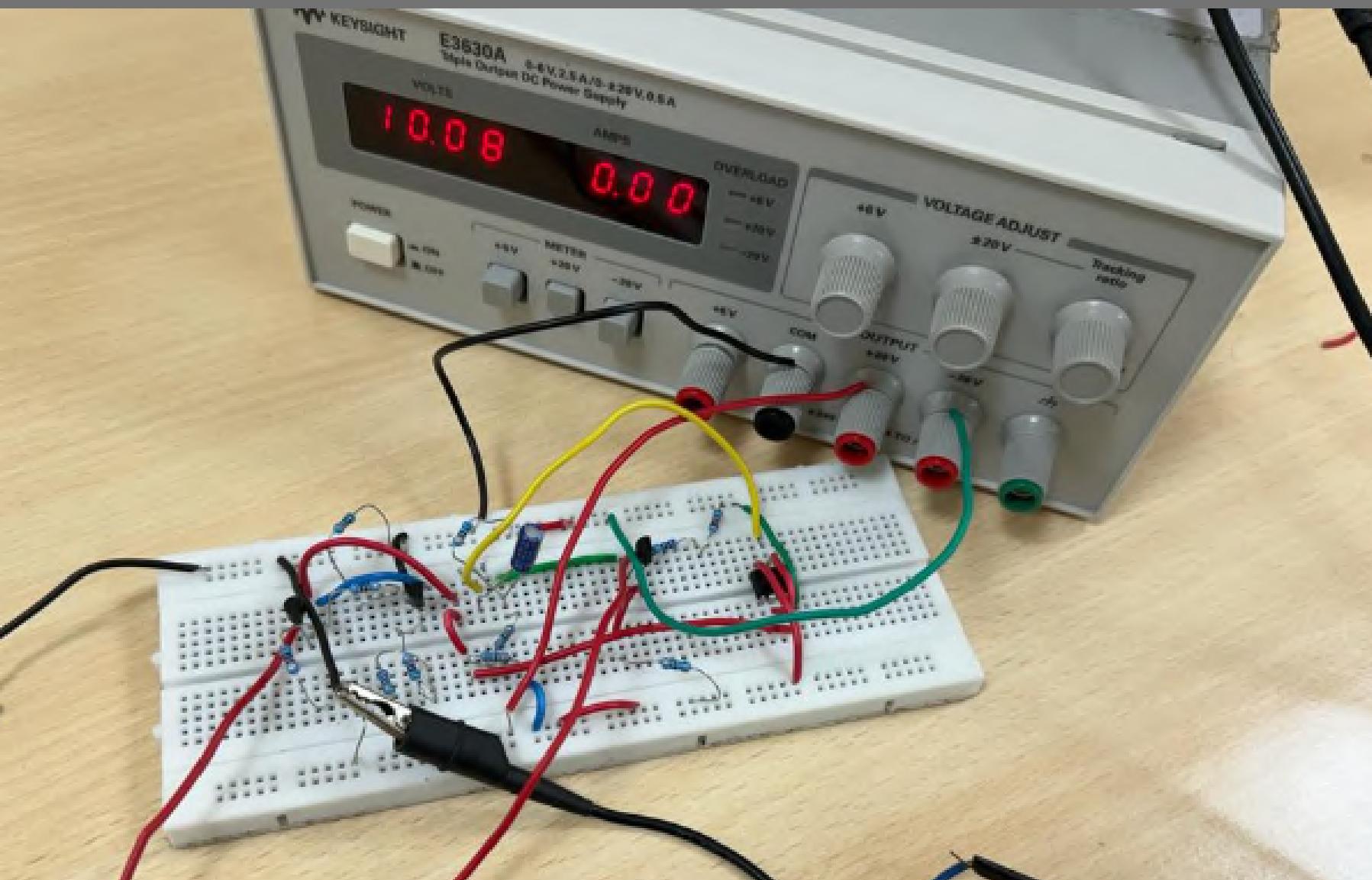
Input Voltage : 15mV

Output Voltage : 6V

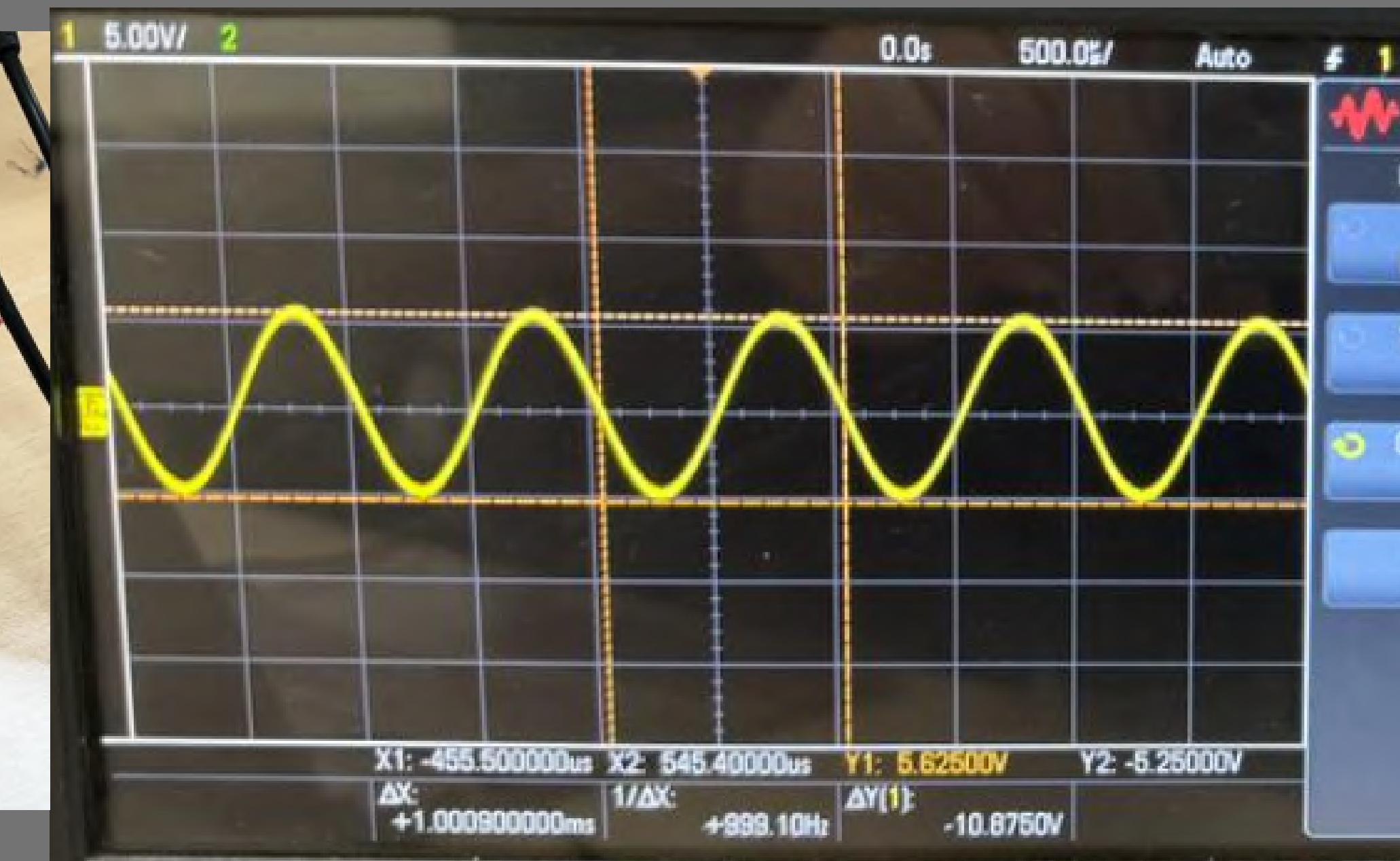
Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 400$

HARDWARE

CIRCUIT



RESULT



Input Voltage : 30mVpp Output Voltage : 10.8 Vpp
Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 360$

FILTER STAGE

BAND-PASS FILTER

To ensure our amplifier outputs signals only within the audible frequency range while suppressing any frequencies outside this range, we'll implement an active bandpass filter

This stage helps us eliminate the unwanted noise added in the previous stage of the system and improves the overall tone.

Achieving this involves combining a high-pass filter and a low-pass filter in series, with an op-amp inserted between them to serve as a buffer.

1/ (2 π R C) to decide upper and lower bound frequency

Transfer Function :

$$\text{Bandpass: } H(s) = \frac{Ks}{s^2 + bs + a}$$

$$H(j\omega) = \frac{K}{j\omega + b + \frac{a}{j\omega}} = \frac{K}{j\omega + b - \frac{ja}{\omega}}$$

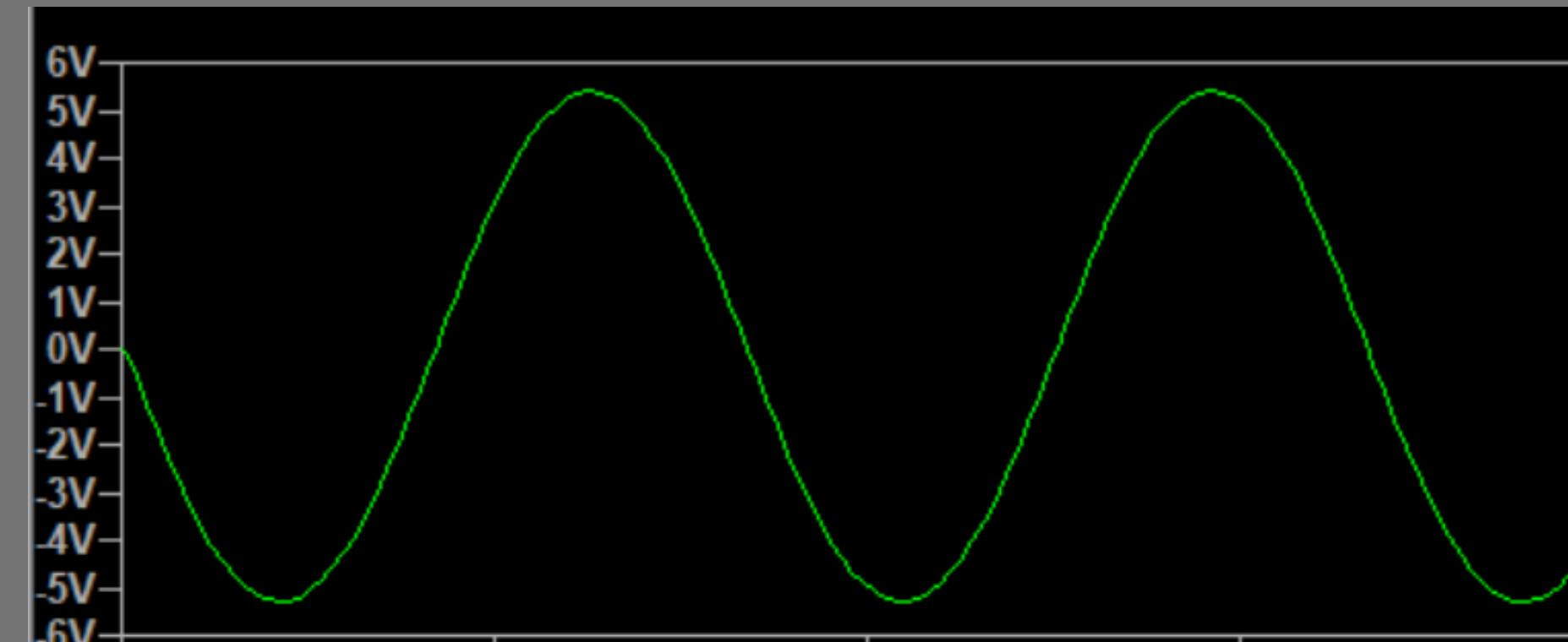
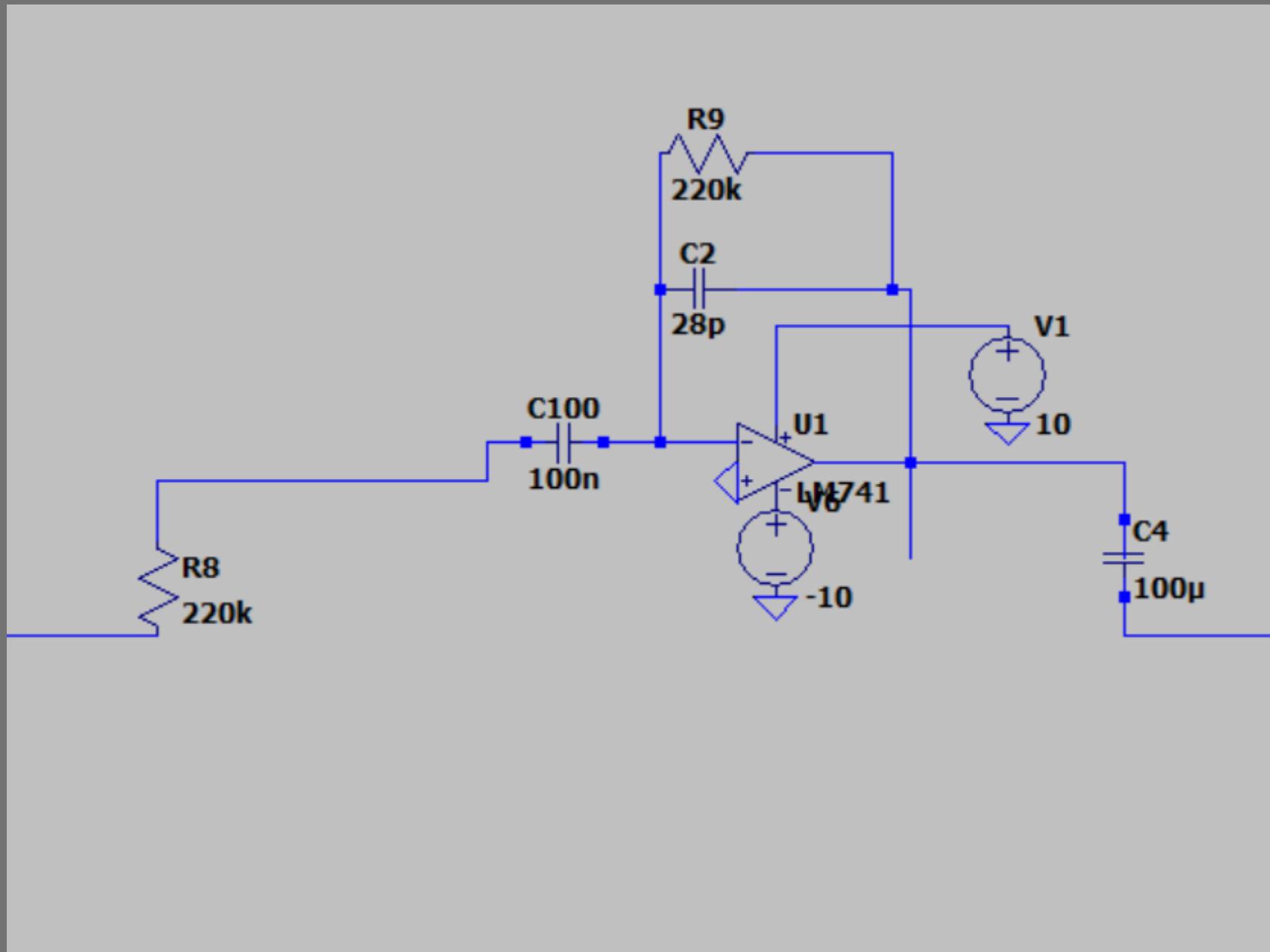
At $\omega = 0$ and $\omega = \infty$, equation reduces to 0

when $\omega = a/\omega$ or $\omega_2 = a$, $H = K/b$, this describes a filter that attenuates low and high frequencies and passes midband frequencies

CIRCUIT

SIMULATION

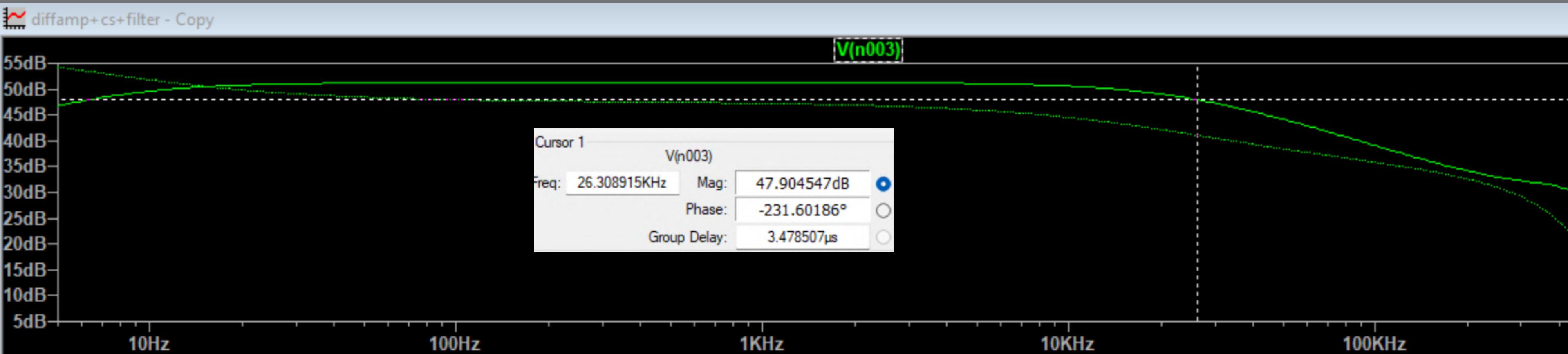
RESULT AFTER 3 STAGES



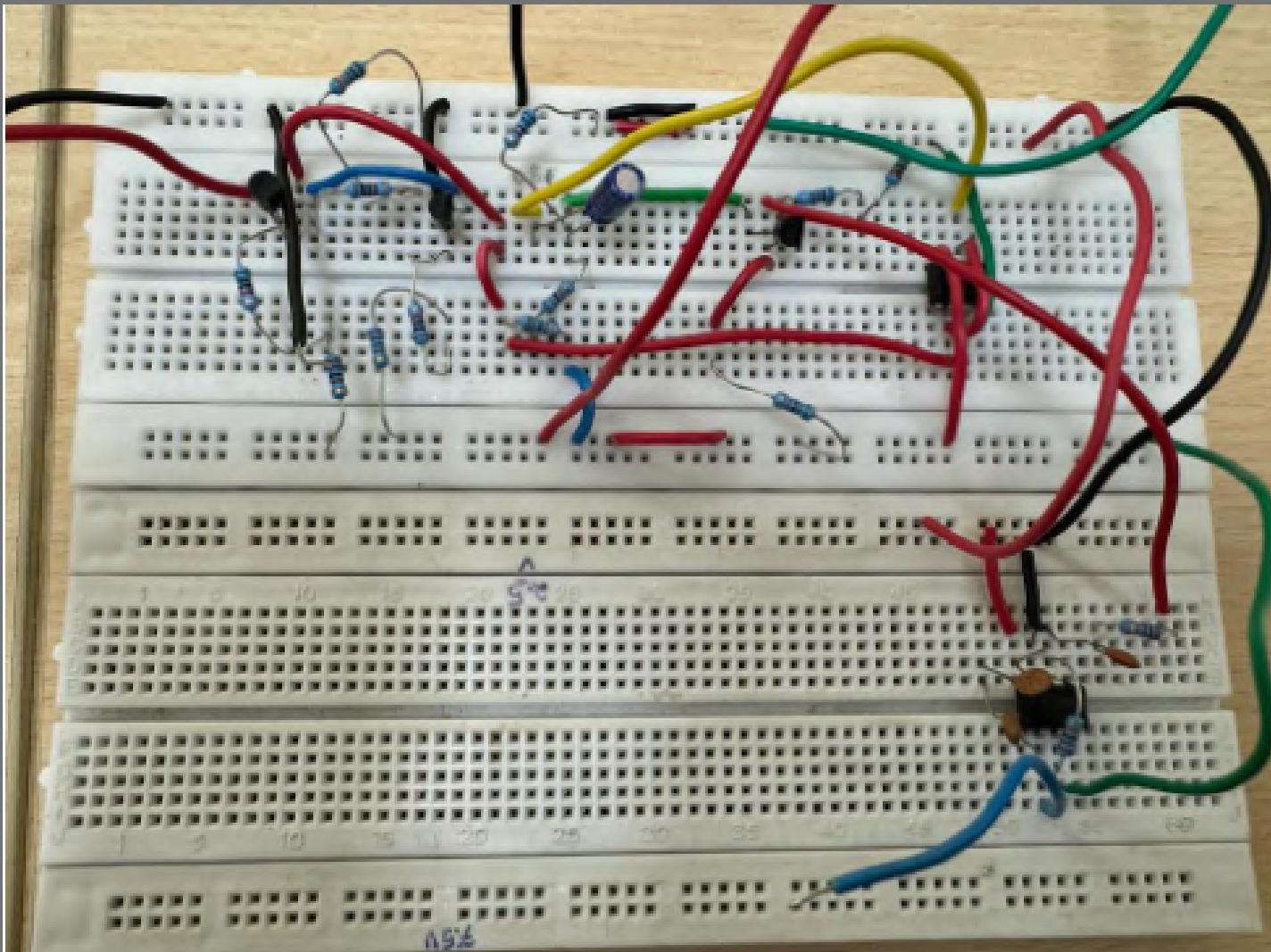
Input Voltage : 15mV
Output Voltage : 5.5V
Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 366$

SIMULATION

BODE PLOT

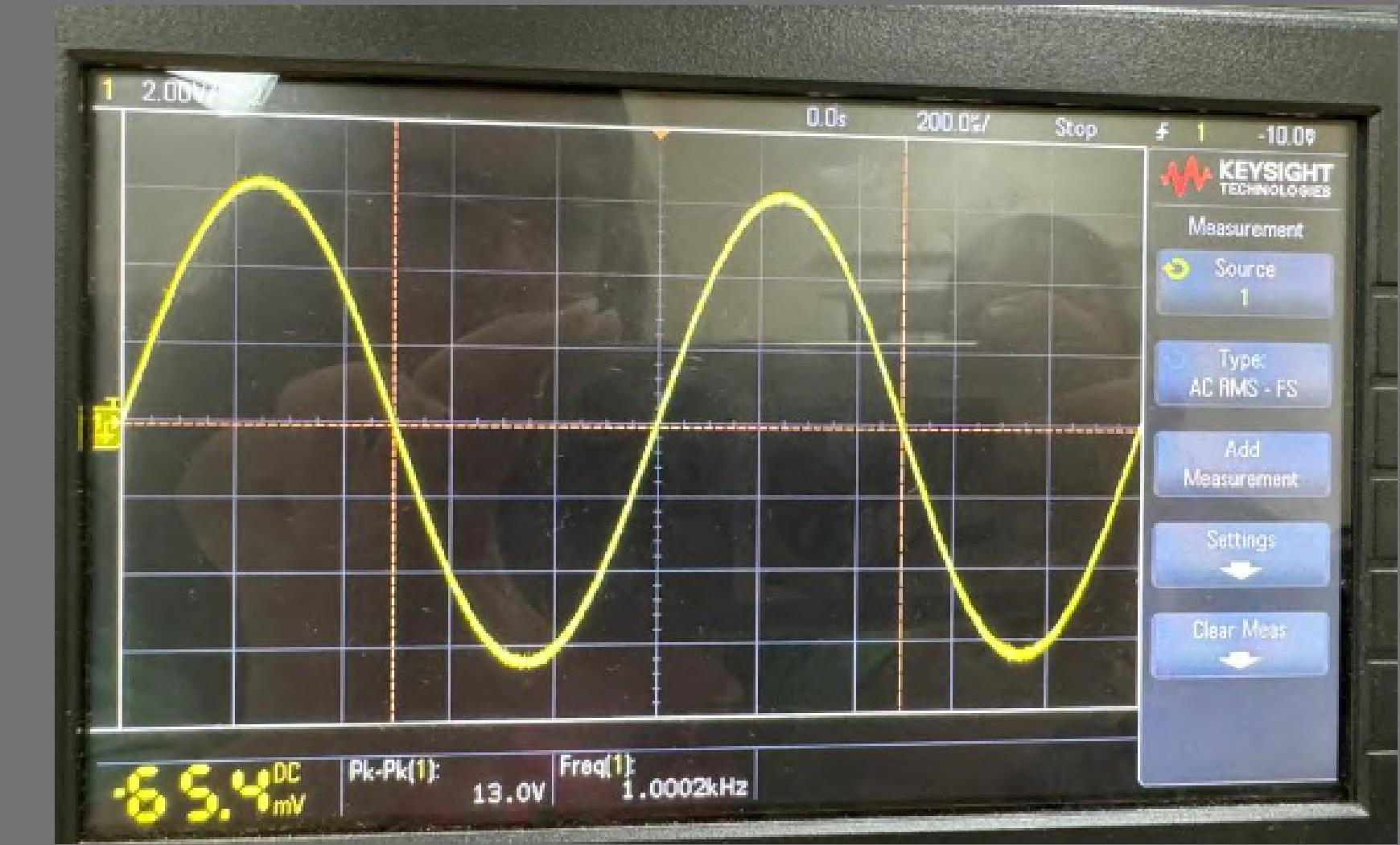


CIRCUIT



HARDWARE

RESULT AFTER 3 STAGES (VDD=12V)



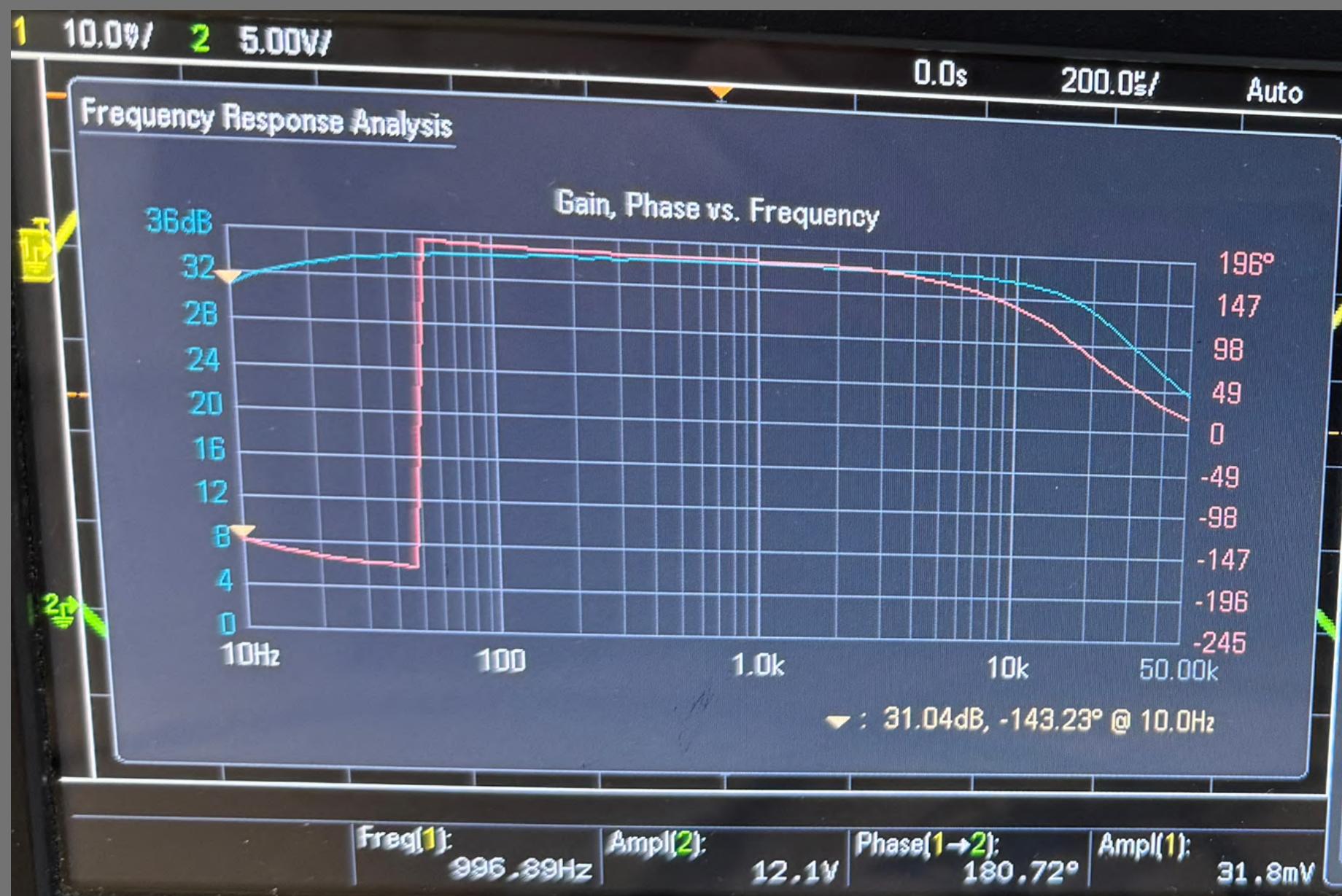
Input Voltage : 30 mVpp

Output Voltage : 13Vpp

Gain : $V(\text{out}) / V(\text{in}) = 433$

SIMULATION

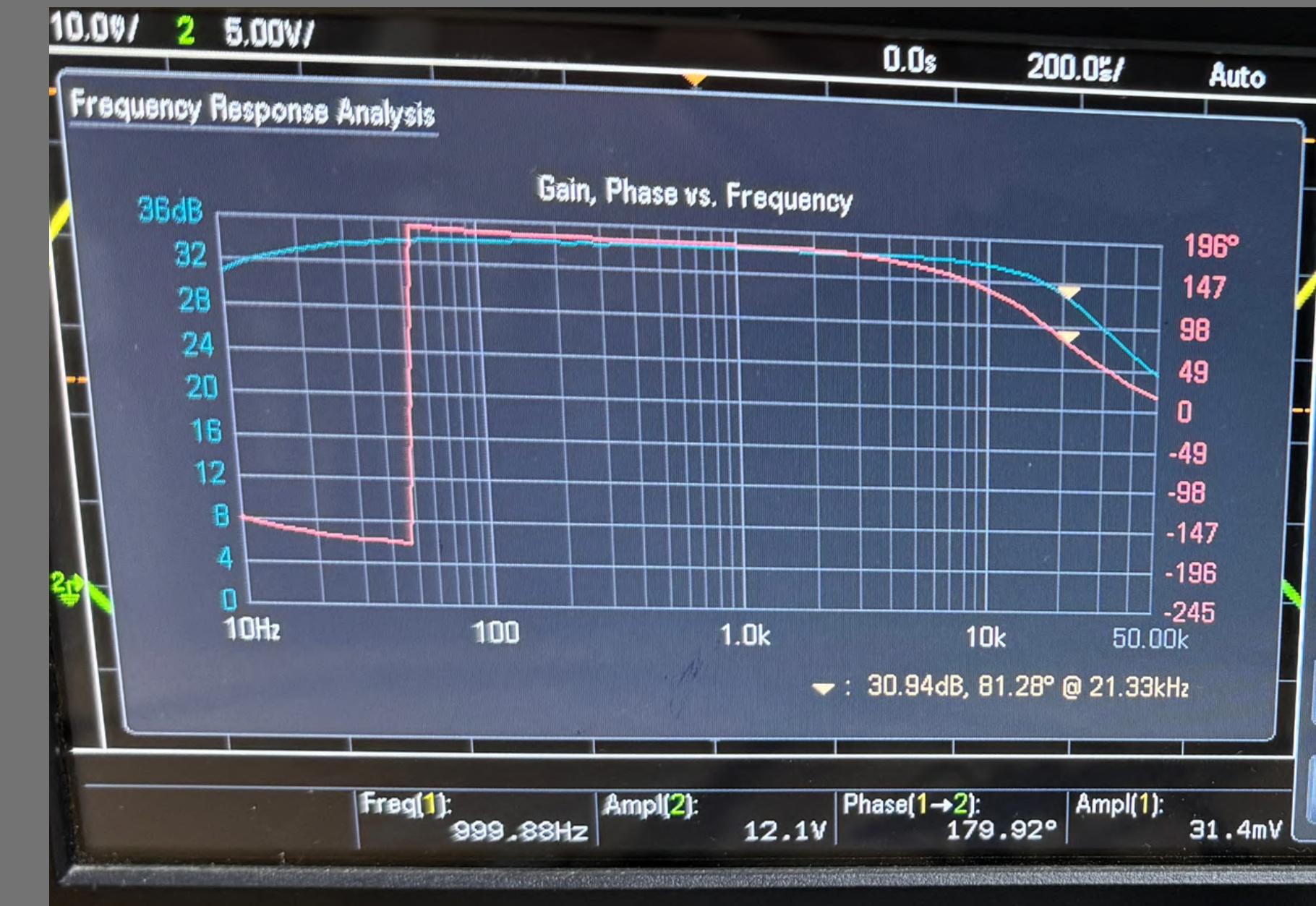
BODE PLOT



$$f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$$

$$1 / (2 * 3.14 * 220k * 100n) = 7.23\text{Hz}$$

$$1 / (2 * 3.14 * 220k * 28p) = 25\text{kHz}$$



POWER AMPLIFIER STAGE

The power amplifier, fed by both the pre-amplifier and filter stage, primarily serves to boost the power level of a weaker audio signal. We use Class AB power amplifier

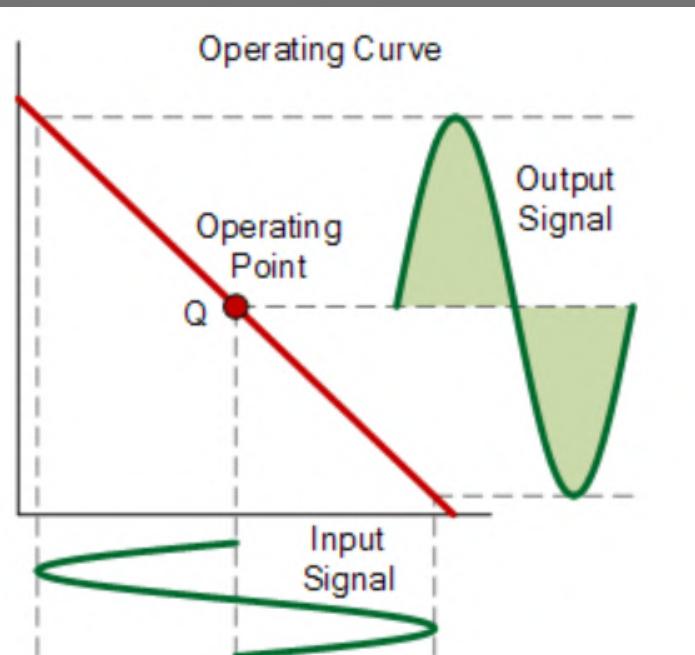
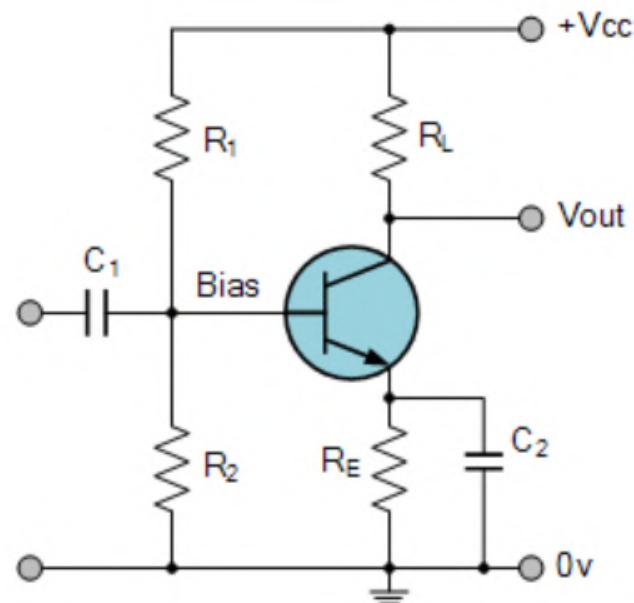
WHY CLASS AB IS USED ?

Class-A Amplifier: output transistors conduct throughout the entire cycle of the input signal. This results in low distortion but low efficiency as the transistors are always conducting, even when there is no signal.

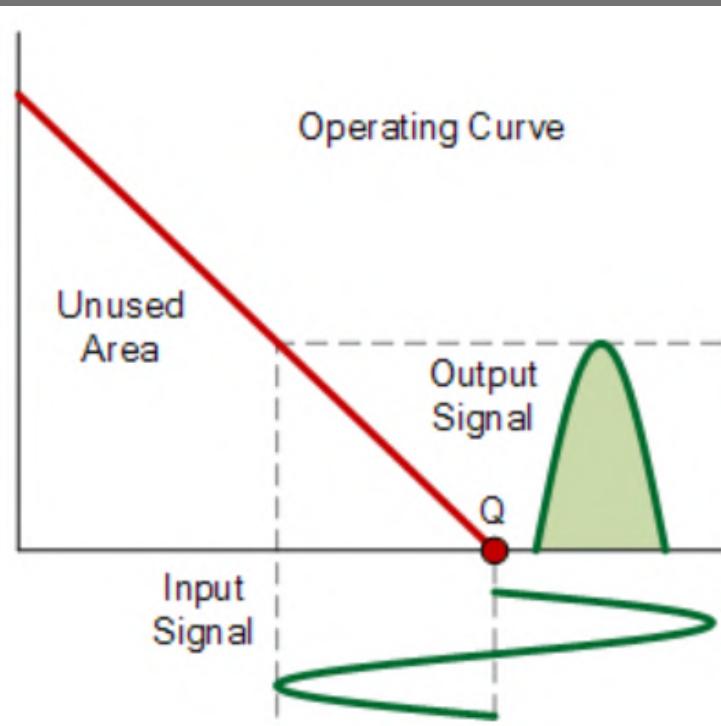
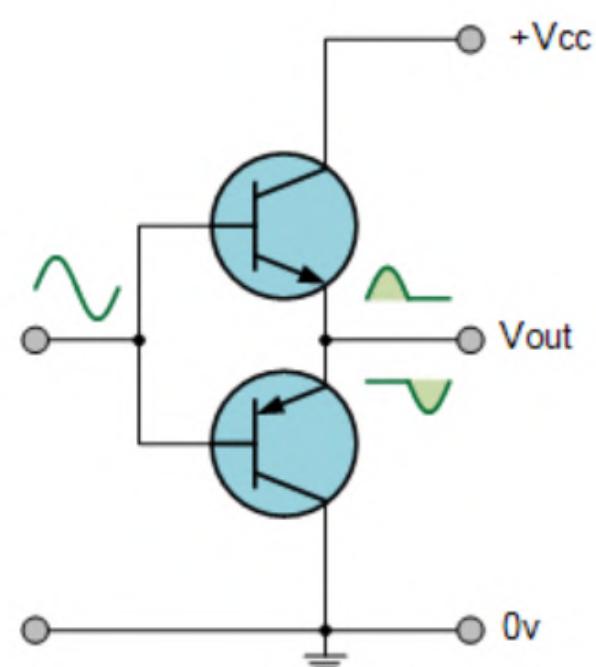
Class-B Amplifier: divides the input signal cycle between two transistors. While this improves efficiency, it introduces crossover distortion at the transition points, where one transistor turns off and the other turns on.

Class-AB Amplifier: combines features of both Class-A and Class-B amplifiers. They operate with both output transistors conducting slightly, reducing crossover distortion compared to Class-B amplifiers while offering better efficiency than Class-A amplifiers. This balanced approach results in improved linearity and efficiency, making Class-AB the best choice.

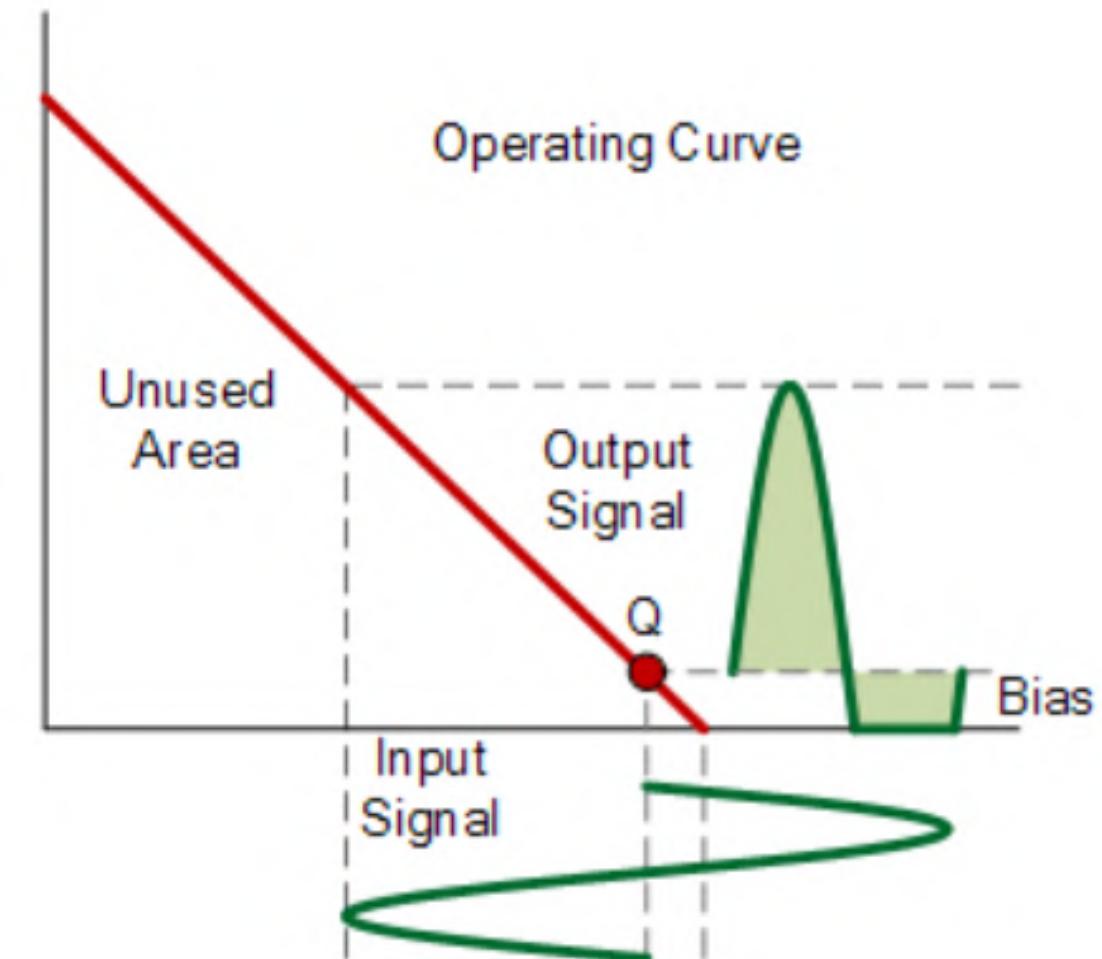
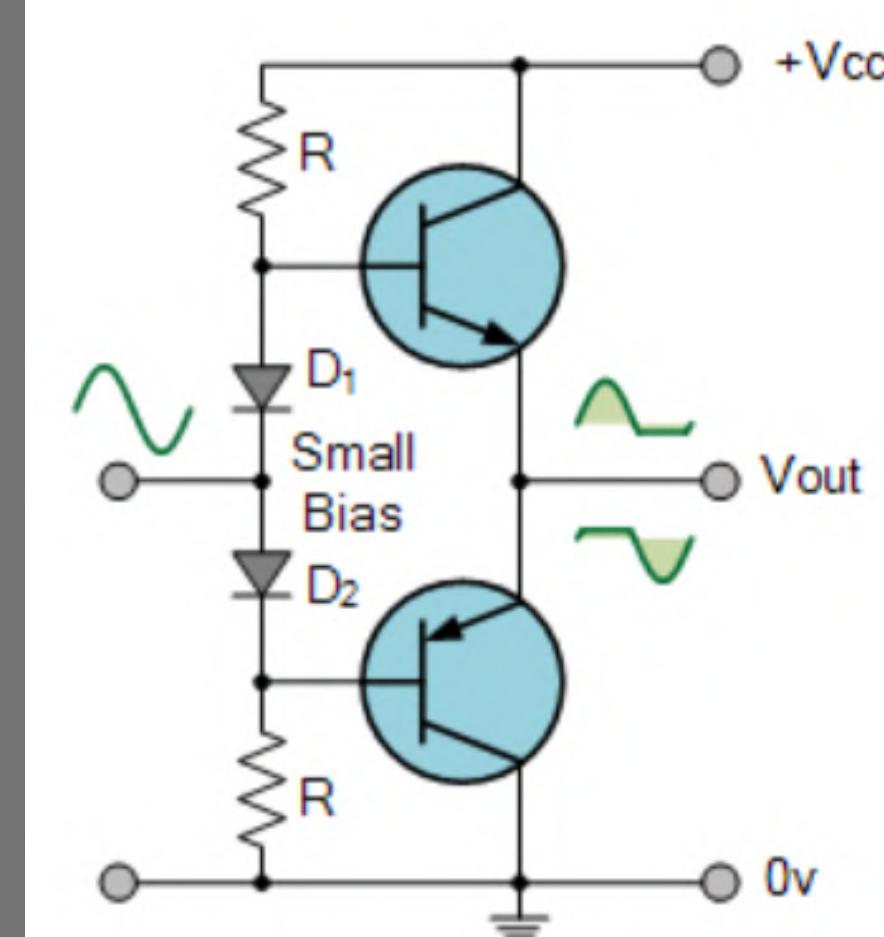
Class A



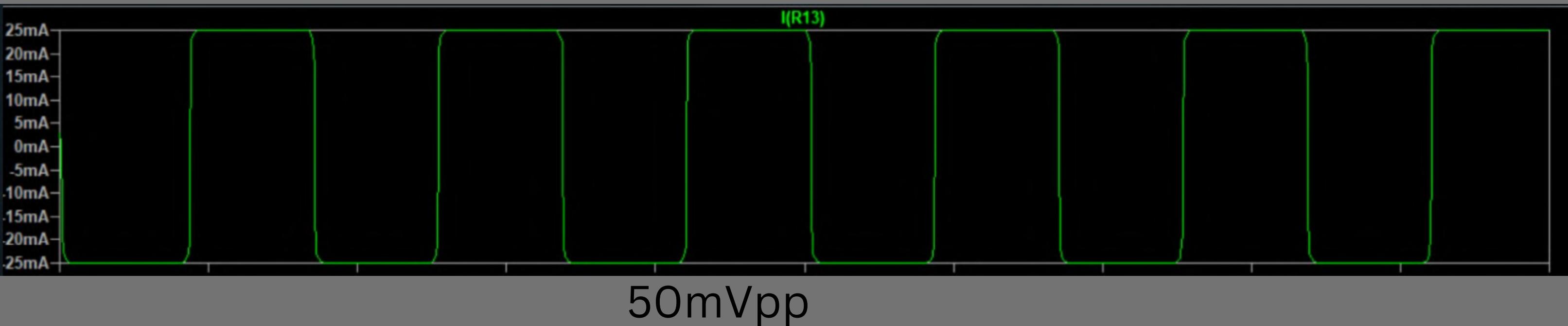
Class B



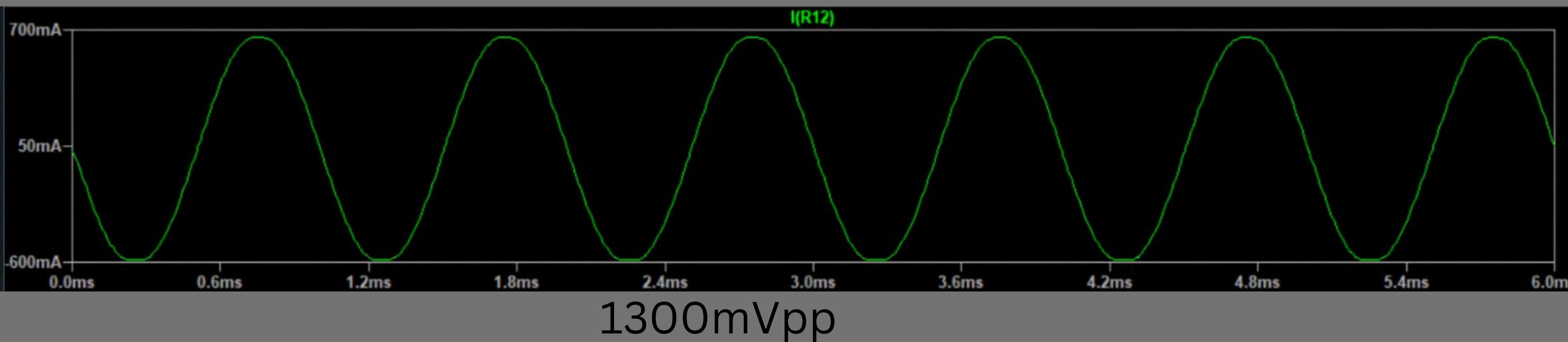
Class AB



Current before Power Amplifier



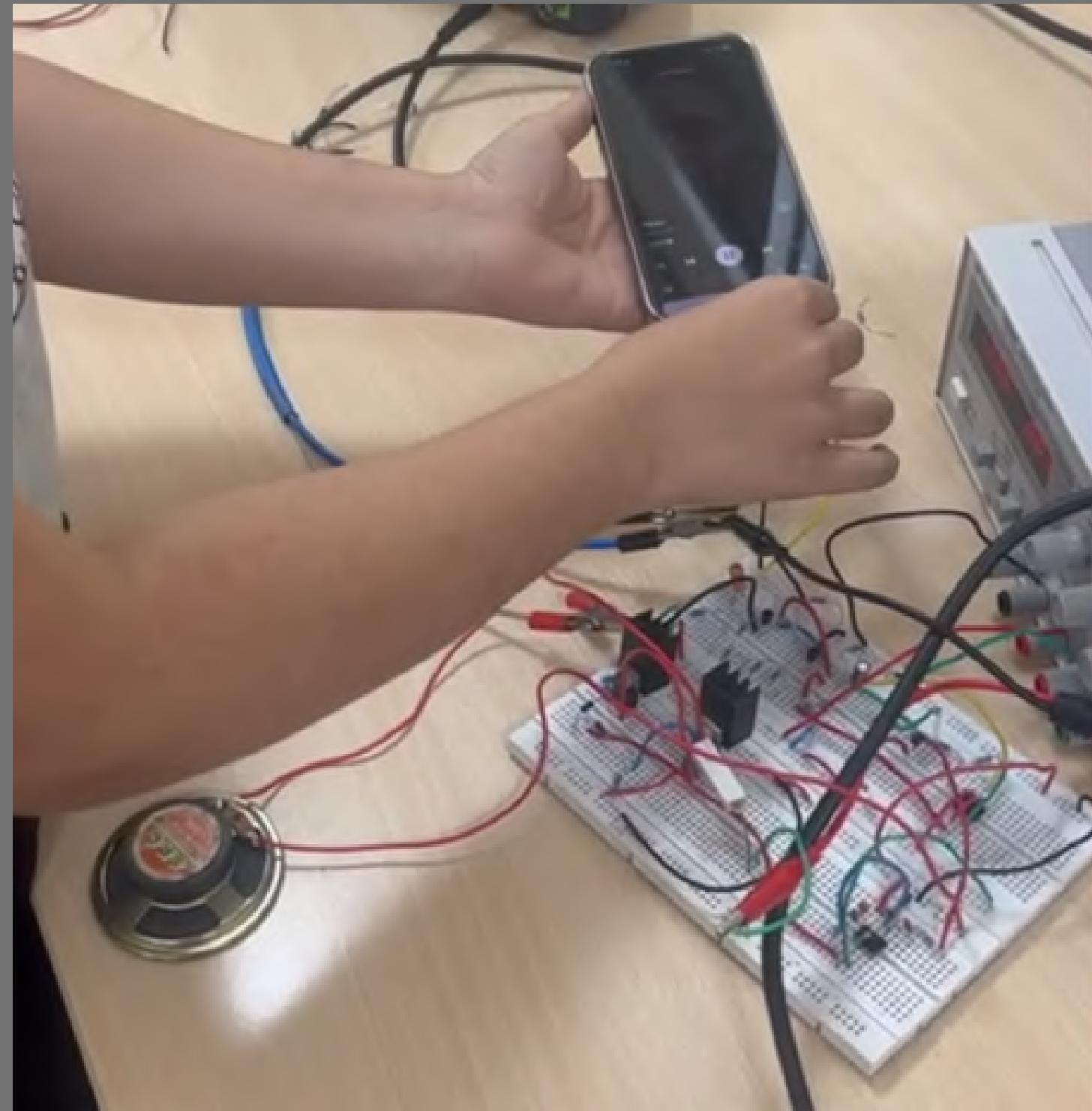
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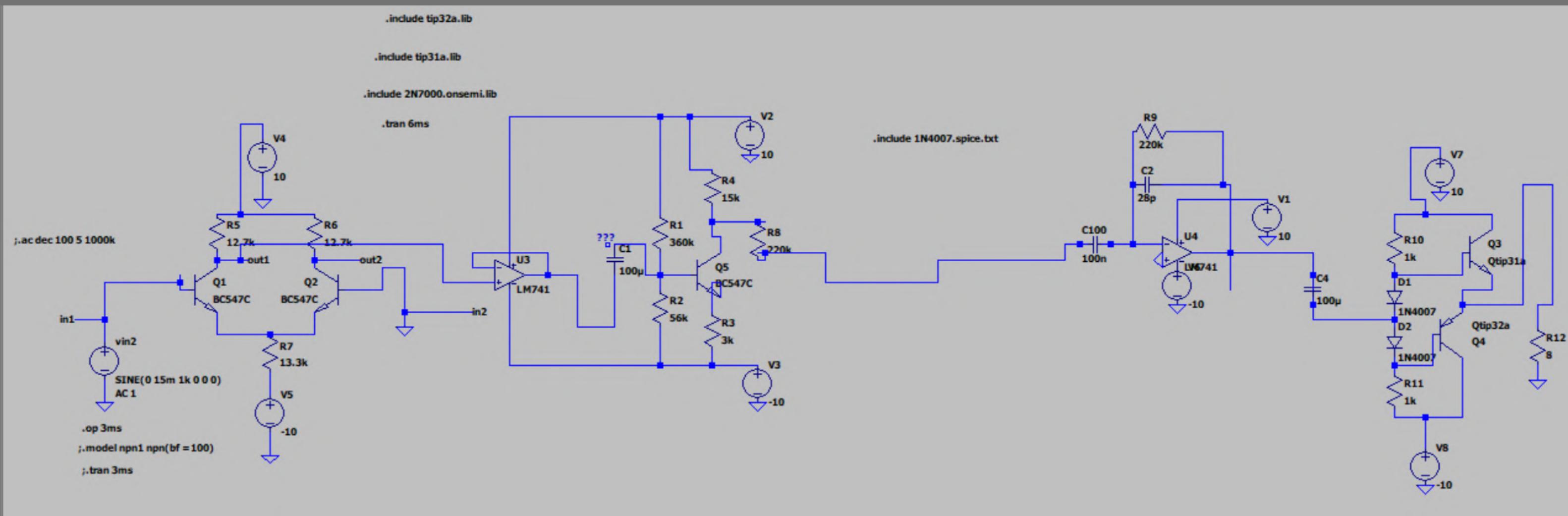
Therefore , Current gets amplified after using power amplifier

Final Circuit

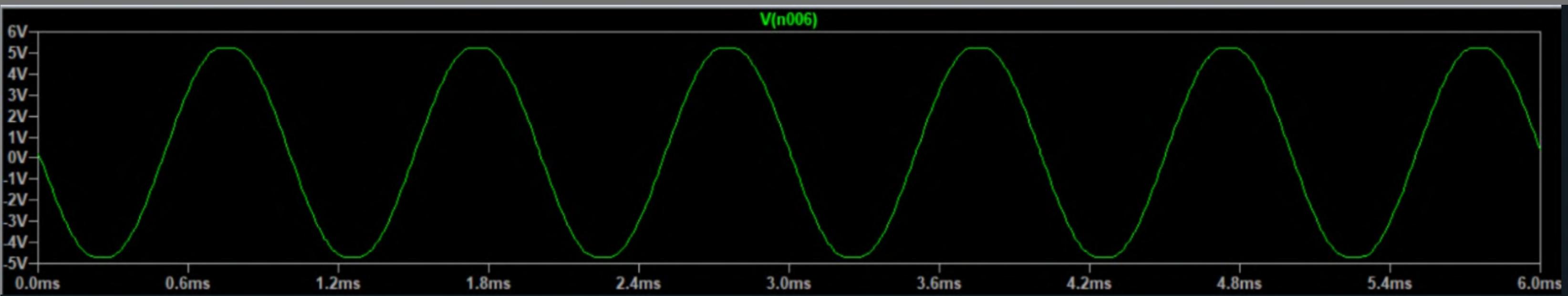
The power amp output is then used and a load resistance is applied so that excessive current doesn't flow through the Q-tips. We get the final circuit and a total gain of about 430 .



Simulation



Result



11Vpp

Hardware Results

link to working of our circuit :

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Z2dTJs6QuSHeNsl6QInivUGPlxvtooMz/view?usp=drivesdk>

We get an amplified audio
and we can properly
amplify music