

* Operational Amplifiers

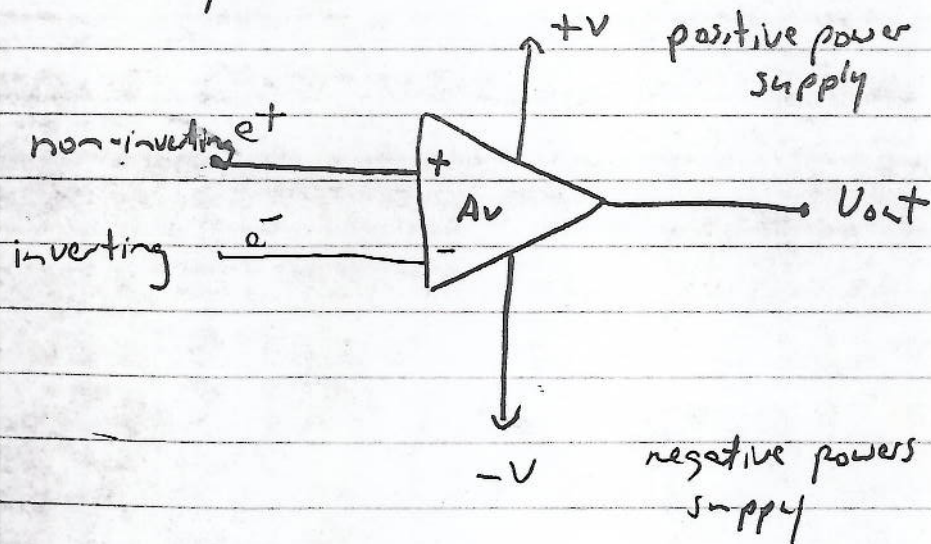
Some points:

integrated circuits

- many, many transistors
- black boxes, sort of
 - can't take high power
 - No big capacitors
- high input τ
- low output τ
- 2 inputs
- 1 output, high gain

Use feedback

Circuit symbol



key thing

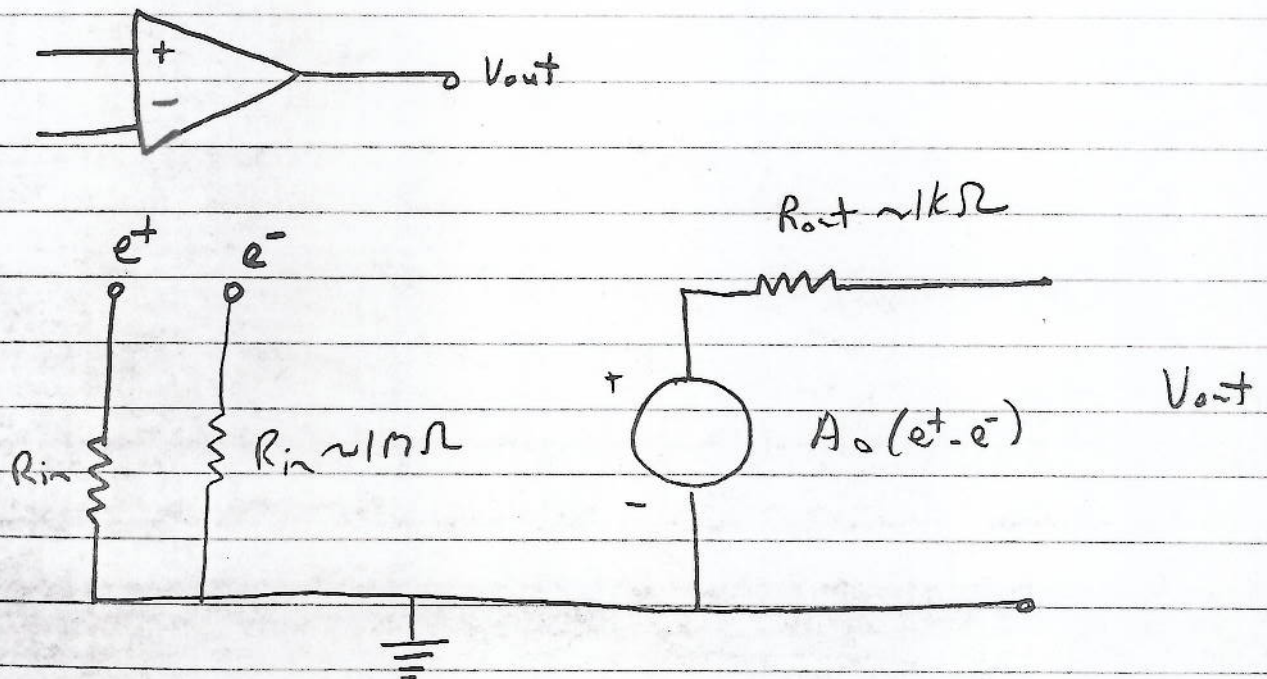
$$V_{out} = A_o (e^+ - e^-)$$

A_o : open loop voltage gain

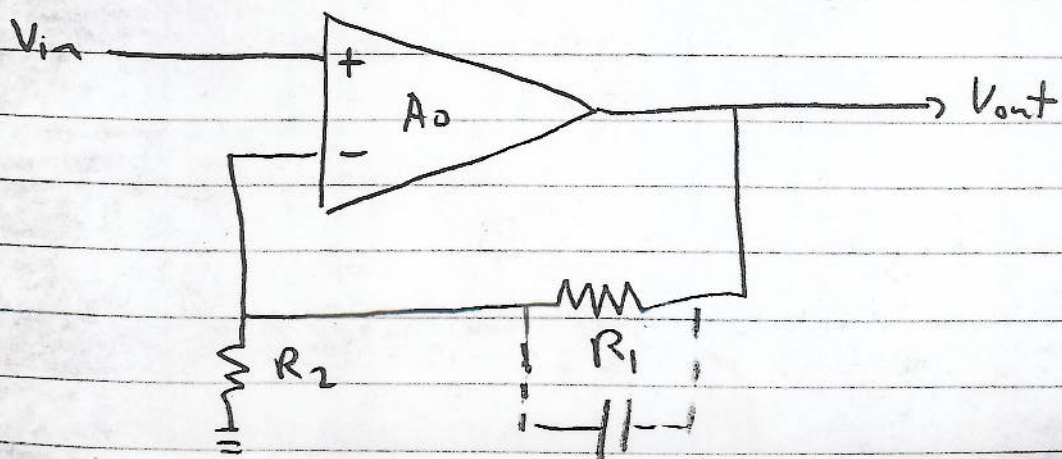
for ideal op amp, $A_o = \infty$ reality $\sim 10^5$

+ input, signal at output in phase
- input inverted

Equivalent circuit:



Example 1: Linear Amplification



R_1, R_2 form negative feedback network.

Derive "transfer characteristic" i.e. $\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}$

$$1) e^+ = V_{in}$$

$$2) e^- = V_{out} \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$3) V_{out} = A_o (e^+ - e^-) = A_o \left(V_{in} - V_{out} \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right)$$

$$V_{out} \left(1 + A_o \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) = A_o V_{in}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{A_o}{1 + A_o \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}}$$

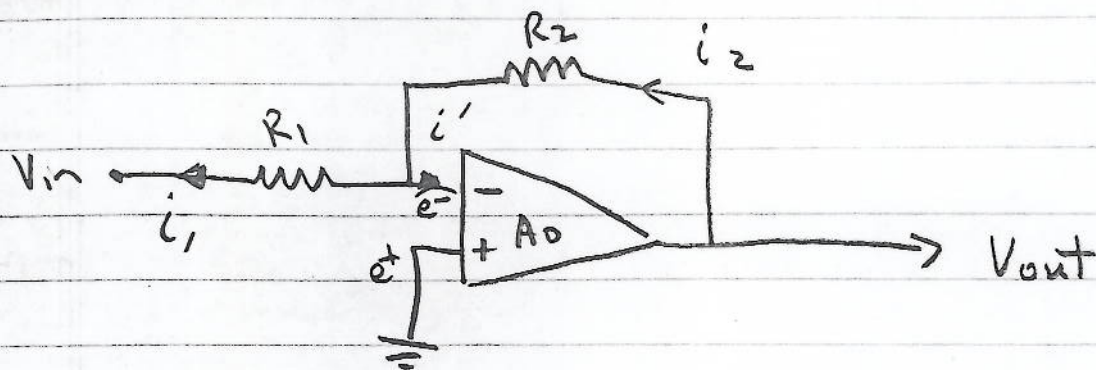
Take limit $A_o \rightarrow \infty$ (ideal opamp)

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_2} = 1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

(1) Indep of parameters of opamp

(2) Assumed $Z_{in} \rightarrow \infty$ (opamp draws no current)

Example 2: Inverting Linear Amplifier



Feed back through R_2

$$i_2 = i_1 + i'$$

$$\frac{V_{out} - e^-}{R_2} = \frac{e^- - V_{in}}{R_1} + i'$$

Always

$$V_{out} = A_0(e^+ - e^-)$$

$$e^+ = 0$$

$$V_{out} = -A_0 e^-$$

$i' \rightarrow 0$, eliminate e^-

$$V_{out} - e^- = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (e^- - V_{in})$$

$$e^- \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1} + 1 \right) = \frac{R_2}{R_1} V_{in} + V_{out}$$

$$V_{out} = -A_0 \frac{V_{in} \frac{R_2}{R_1} + V_{out}}{R_2/R_1 + 1}$$

$$\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1} + 1\right) V_{out} = -A_0 \left(V_{in} \frac{R_2}{R_1} + V_{out}\right)$$

$$V_{out} \left(1 + A_0 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) = -A_0 \frac{R_2}{R_1} V_{in}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = - \frac{A_0 R_2}{(A_0 + 1) R_1 + R_2}$$

For ideal (or even pretty good) op amp

$$(A_0 + 1) R_1 \gg R_2 \quad A_0 + 1 \approx A_0$$

$$A_v = - \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

↑
inverting

Two key rules for op amps:

1) Current into inputs is zero. High input z .
Op Amp current rule OACR

2) Voltage difference between inputs $e^+ - e^-$ is zero. Op Amp voltage rule OAVR or,

PVN - Principle of virtual null.

Argument

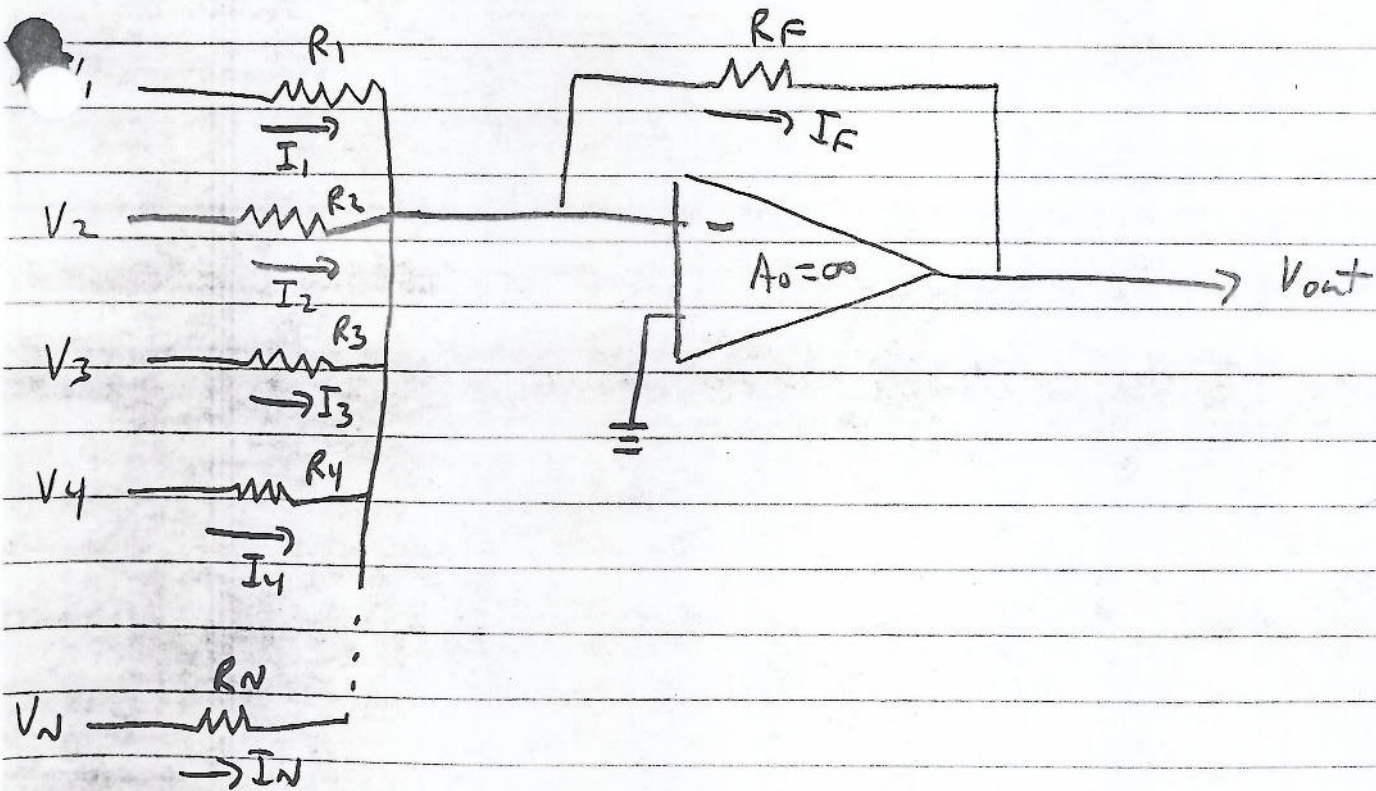
$$V_{out} = A_o (e^+ - e^-)$$

Power supplies to op amp $\sim \pm 15V$

V_{out} can't be ∞

If $A_o \rightarrow \infty$ $e^+ - e^- \rightarrow 0$

Example 3: Linear Summation with Gain



By P.V.N. $e^- = e^+ = 0$

So, each input voltage V_i contributes

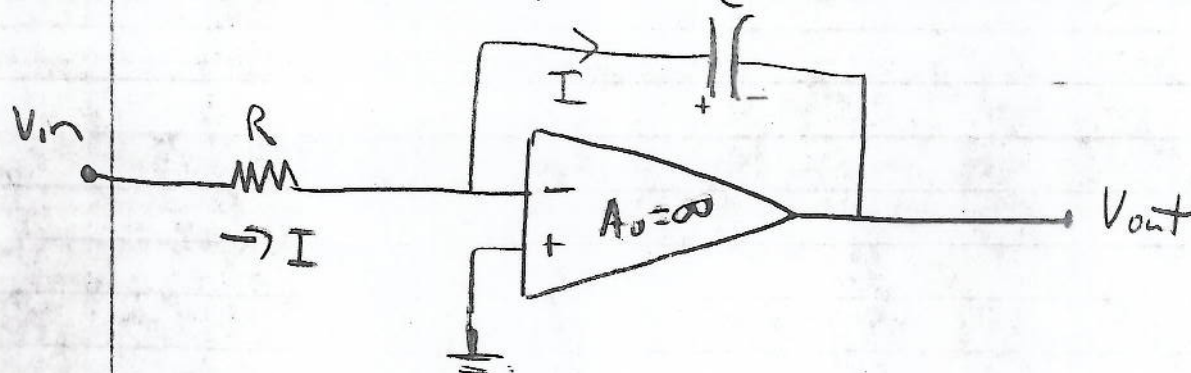
$$I_i = \frac{V_i}{R_i}$$

which goes through R_F

$$V_{out} = -R_F \sum_{i=1}^N I_i = -R_F \left(\frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{V_N}{R_N} \right)$$

Adds voltages, multiplied by $\text{const} - \frac{R_F}{R_i}$

Example 4: Op Amp Integrator



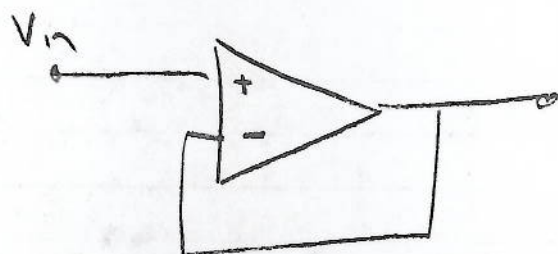
$$e^- = e^+ = 0 \quad I = V_{in}/R \quad C = Q/V$$

$$V_{out} = -V_c = -\frac{Q}{C} = -\frac{1}{C} \int I dt$$

If $V_c = 0$ @ $t = 0$

$$V_{out}(t) = -\frac{1}{Rc} \int_{t=0}^{+} V_{in} dt$$

Example 5: Voltage Follower



$$V_{out} = V_{in}$$

$$V_{in} = e^+ = e^- = V_{out}$$

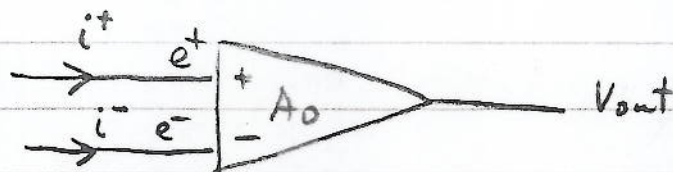
↑

PVN

gain = 1, but input impedance large

Better than emitter follower.

Op Amps: Key Points



(1) $i^+ = i^- = 0$ (ideal)

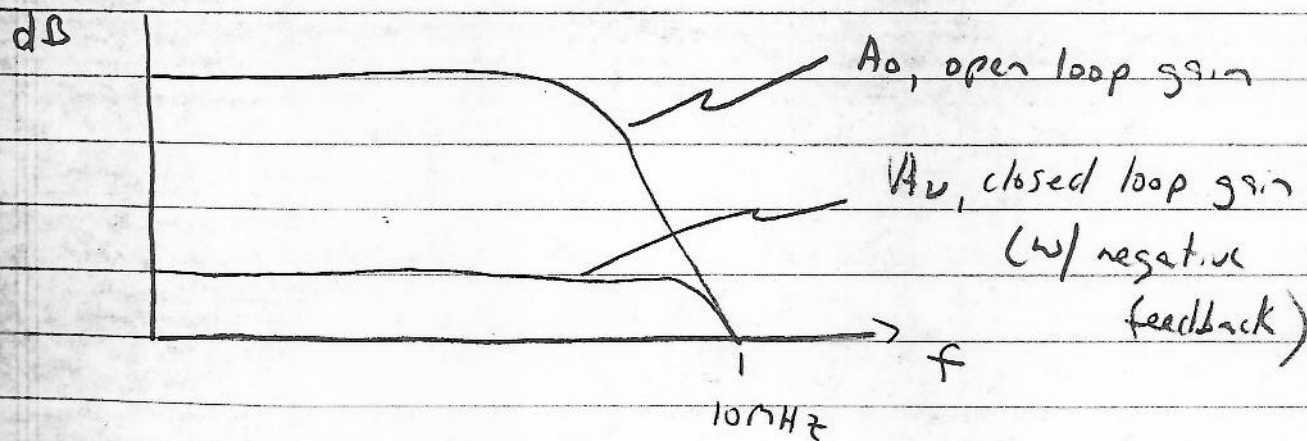
(2) $e^+ = e^-$ (ideal)

(3) $V_{out} = A_0 (e^+ - e^-)$ (ideal)

↑
 ∞

Real Op Amps

Gain & Bandwidth



$f \uparrow \quad A_0 \downarrow$ approximations break down

Slew rate

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{dQ}{dt} \frac{1}{C} = \frac{I}{C}$$

↑
some capacitance, either inside IC or load

For sine wave

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{d(V_0 \sin \omega t)}{dt} = \omega V_0 \cos \omega t$$

$$\left(\frac{dV}{dt}\right)_{\max} = \omega V_0$$

↑ ↑
frequency amplitude

Highest ωV_0 op amp can handle — slew rate

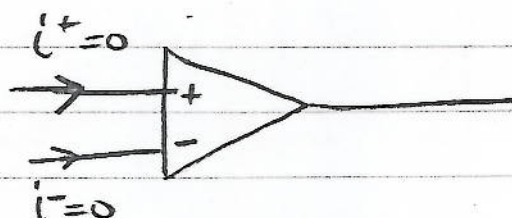
$$\text{S.R.} \sim 0.5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s} - 500 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$$

$$f = \frac{\text{S.R.}}{2\pi V_0}$$

If f higher $\rightarrow$ distortion

Input Bias Current

Ideal



Real

Input

BJT

i
10-100 nA

JFET

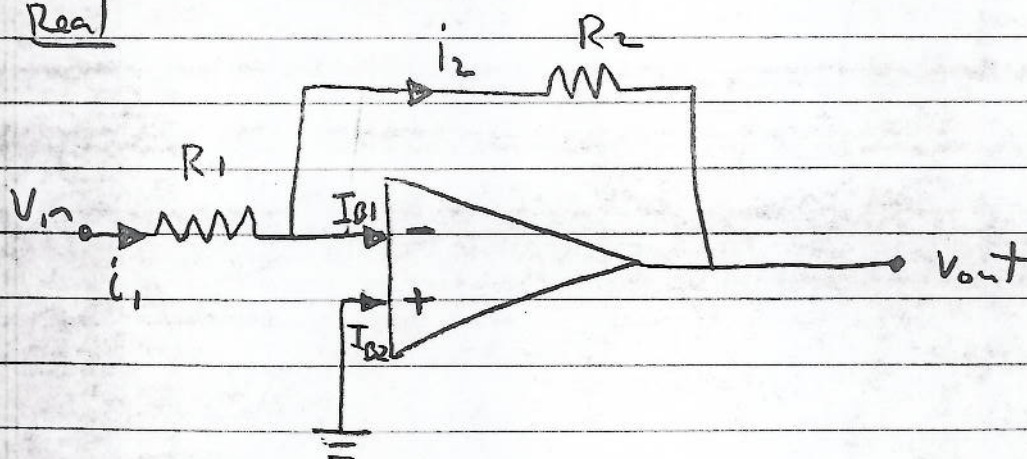
1-500 pA

MOSFET

1-10 pA

} needed to bias input transistor

Real



$$i_1 = I_{B1} + i_2$$

$$\frac{V_{in} - e^-}{R_1} = I_{B1} + \frac{e^- - V_{out}}{R_2}$$

$$e^+ = e^- = 0$$

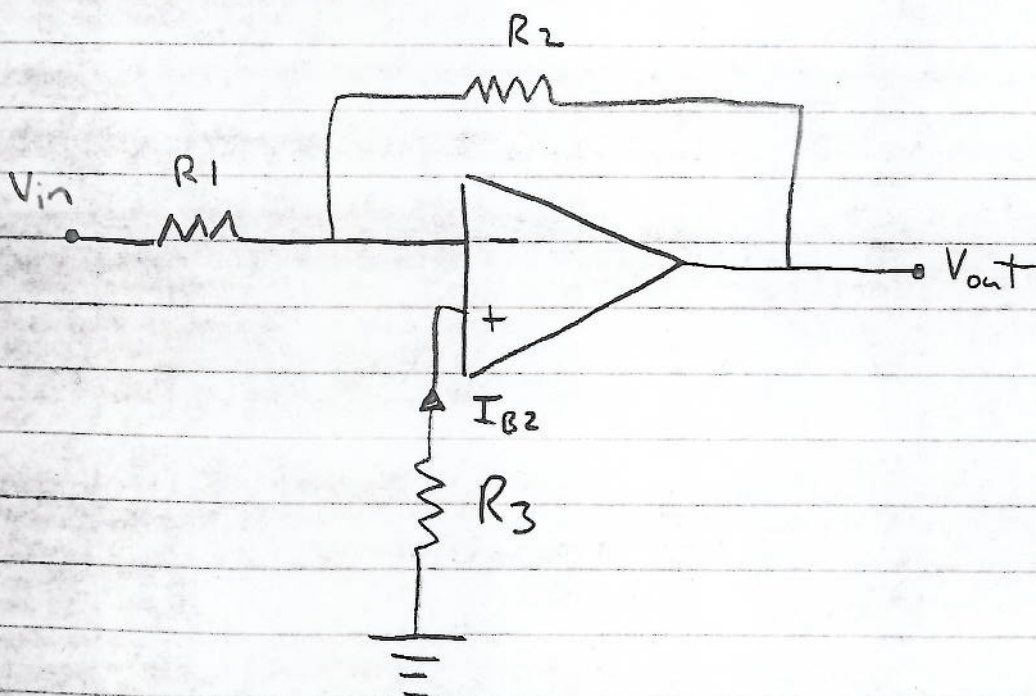
$$\frac{V_{in}}{R_1} = I_{B1} - \frac{V_{out}}{R_2}$$

$$V_{out} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} V_{in} + I_{B1} R_2$$

↑
new

$$V_{out} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} [V_{in} - I_{B1} R_1]$$

Either live with it or, trick:



$$e^+ = -I_{B2} R_3$$

Go back to

$$\frac{V_{in} - e^-}{R_1} = I_{B1} + \frac{e^- - V_{out}}{R_2}$$

e^+, e^- not longer zero

When $V_{in} = 0$ want $V_{out} = 0$

$$-\frac{e^-}{R_1} = I_{B1} + \frac{e^-}{R_2}$$

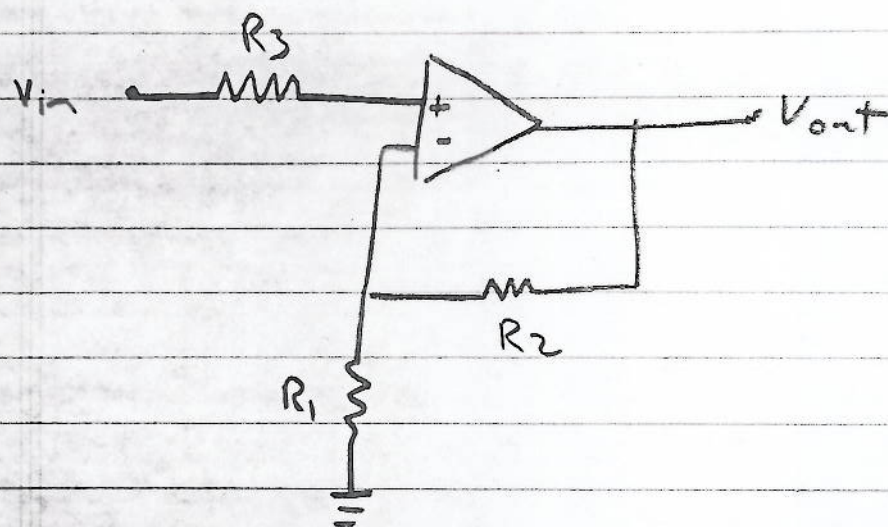
$$e^- \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) + I_{B1} R_2 = 0$$

$I_{B1} \approx I_{B2}$

$$I_{B2} R_3 \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) = I_{B2} R_2$$

$$R_3 = \frac{R_2}{1 + R_2/R_1} = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

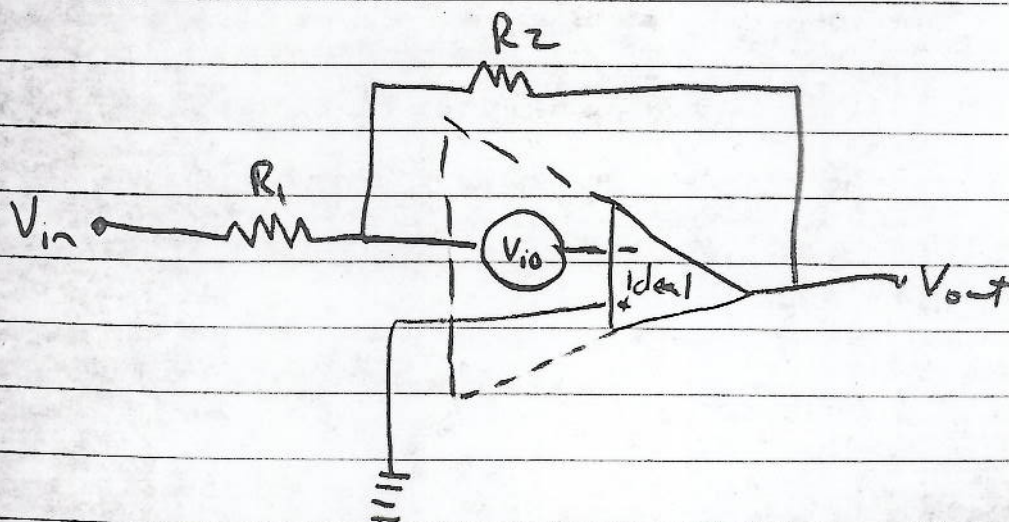
For noninverting



Similar argument $R_3 = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$

Input Offset Voltage

Two inputs $\rightarrow$ different B-E characteristics



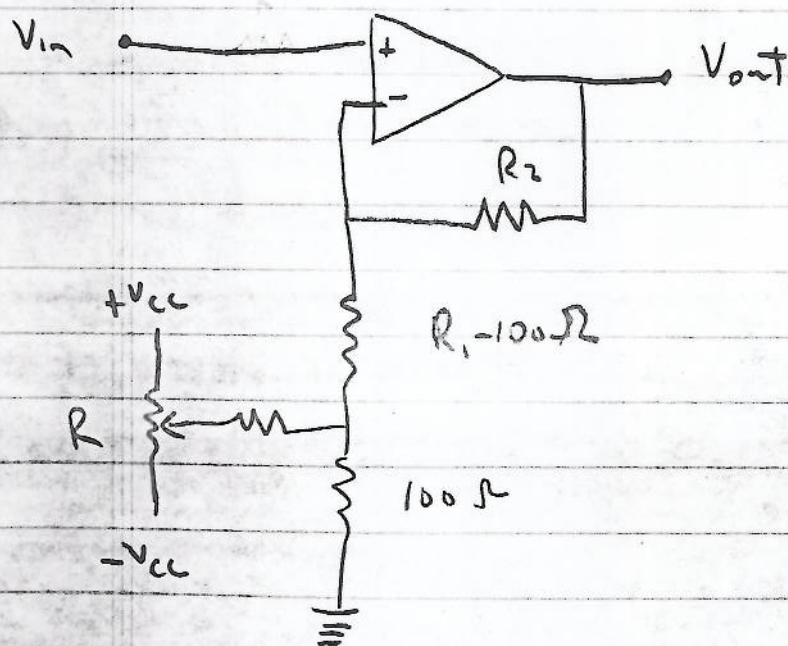
ICBST

$$V_{out} = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{io} \quad \leftarrow \sim 1mV$$

$\uparrow$ w/ no input $\uparrow$ big

The fix

noninverting offset null circuit



adjust R so

$$V_{out} = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{in}$$

Total noninverting

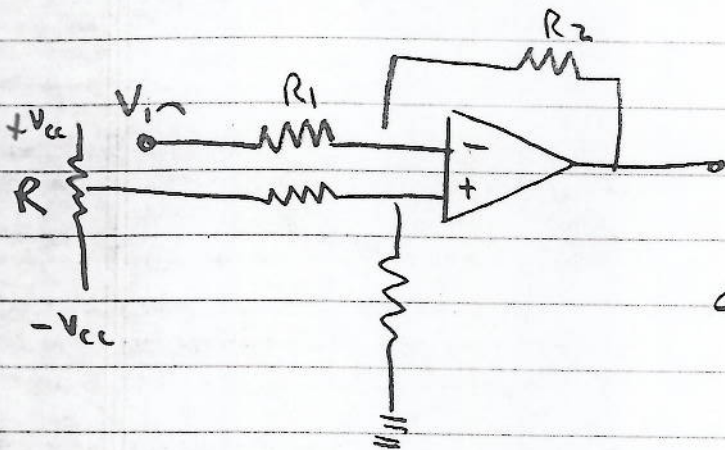
$$V_{out} = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{in} \pm \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{io} + I_B R_2$$

 $\uparrow$
good
guy

 $\uparrow$
input offset,
bad guy,
eliminated w/ null circuit

 $\uparrow$
input bias current,
bad guy, fix
w/ "R3"

The fix: inverting offset null circuit



adjust R so

$$V_{out} = -\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{in}$$

Total inverting

$$V_{out} = -\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{in} \pm \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{io} + I_B R_2$$

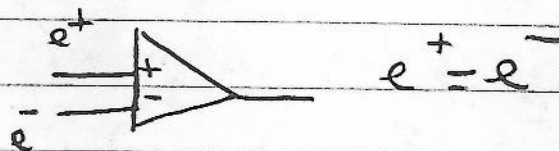
↑
usual
stuff

↑
input
offset

↑
input
bias
current

Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)

Ideally



$$V_{out} = A_o (e^+ - e^-)$$

↑ differential gain

for real op amp

$$e^+ = e^- \rightarrow \text{small } V_{out}$$

$\rightarrow A_{cm}$ common mode gain

$$A_{cm} = 0 \text{ ideal}$$

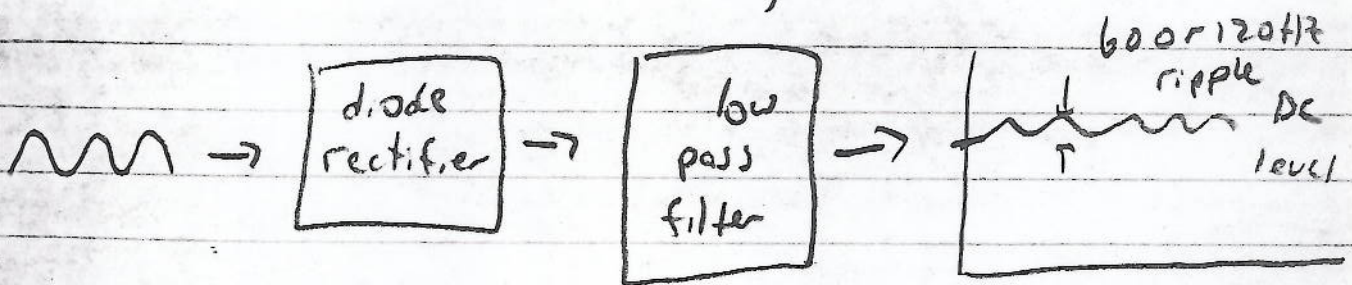
Common mode rejection ratio

$$CMRR = \frac{A_{diff} \leftarrow \text{differential}}{A_{cm} \leftarrow \text{common mode}}$$

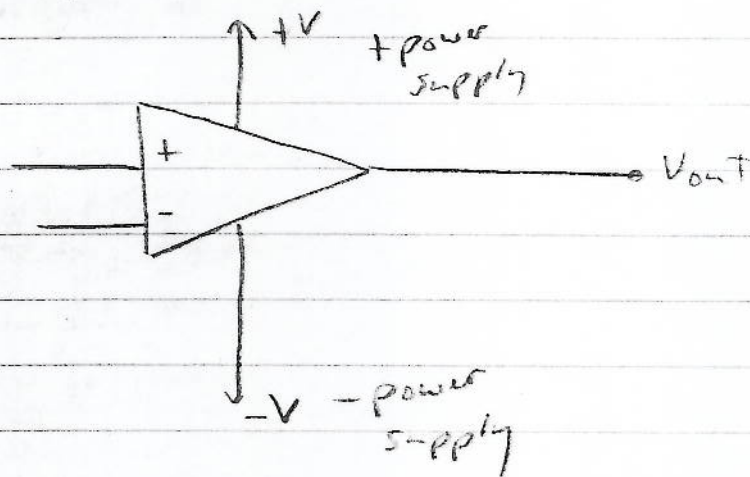
$$\text{ideal: } = \frac{\infty}{0}$$

Power Supply Rejection Ratio

Remember our D.C. power supply



Op Amp



Ripple in power supply affects output
 $\rightarrow$ effective change in V_{io}

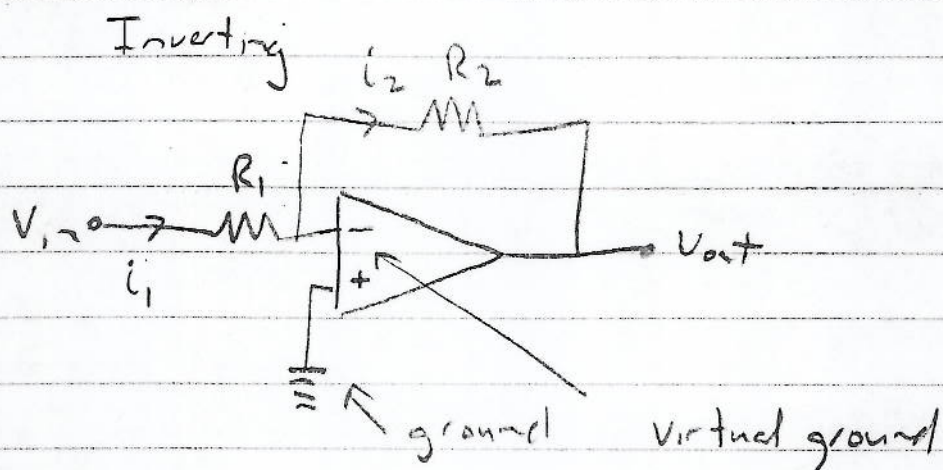
$$PSRR = \frac{\Delta V_{io}}{\Delta V_{cc}}$$

ideal = 0 or $-\infty$ dB

Applications

Rule 1: No currents into inputs

Rule 2: Magically $e^+ = e^-$
 PVN



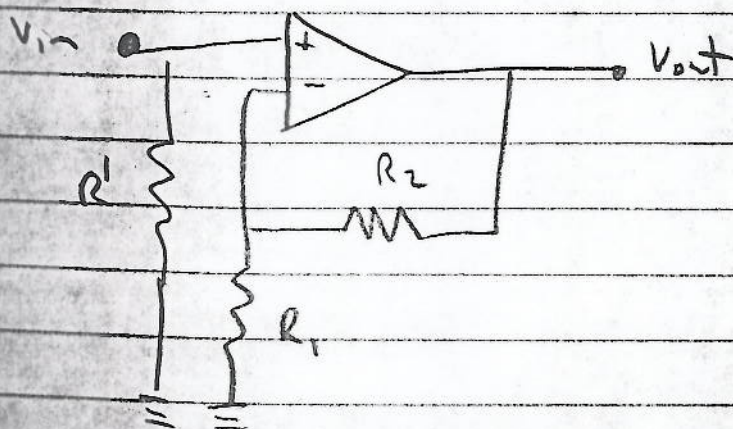
Input R is R_1

$$i_1 = i_2$$

$$\frac{V_{in}}{R_1} = -\frac{V_{out}}{R_2}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

Non Inverting



What is B ?

$$\frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{1}{B} = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

$$e^+ = e^-$$

$$V_{in} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} V_{out}$$

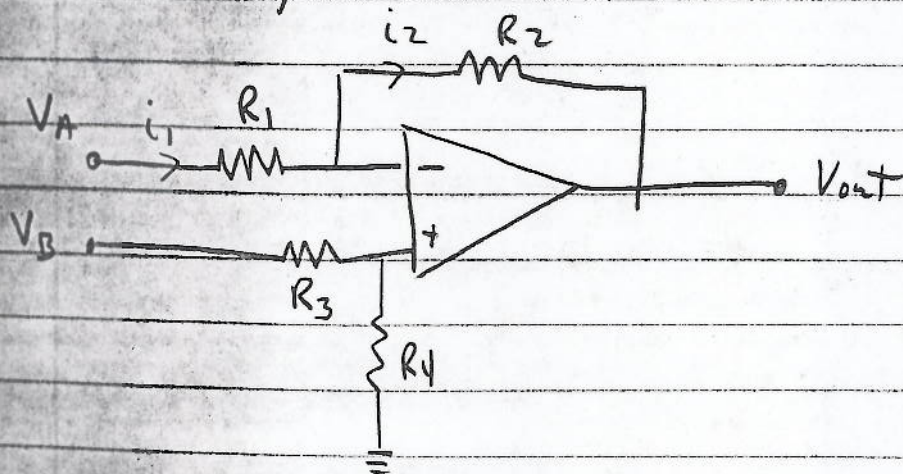
PVN

The Differential Amplifier

$$V_{out} = A_2 (V_B - V_A)$$

Good if

- Two wires have same pickup - twisted pairs
- High DC levels



$$i_1 = i_2$$

$$\frac{V_A - e^-}{R_1} = \frac{e^- - V_{out}}{R_2}$$

$$e^+ = \frac{R_4}{R_3 + R_4} V_B$$

Eliminate $e^+ = e^-$

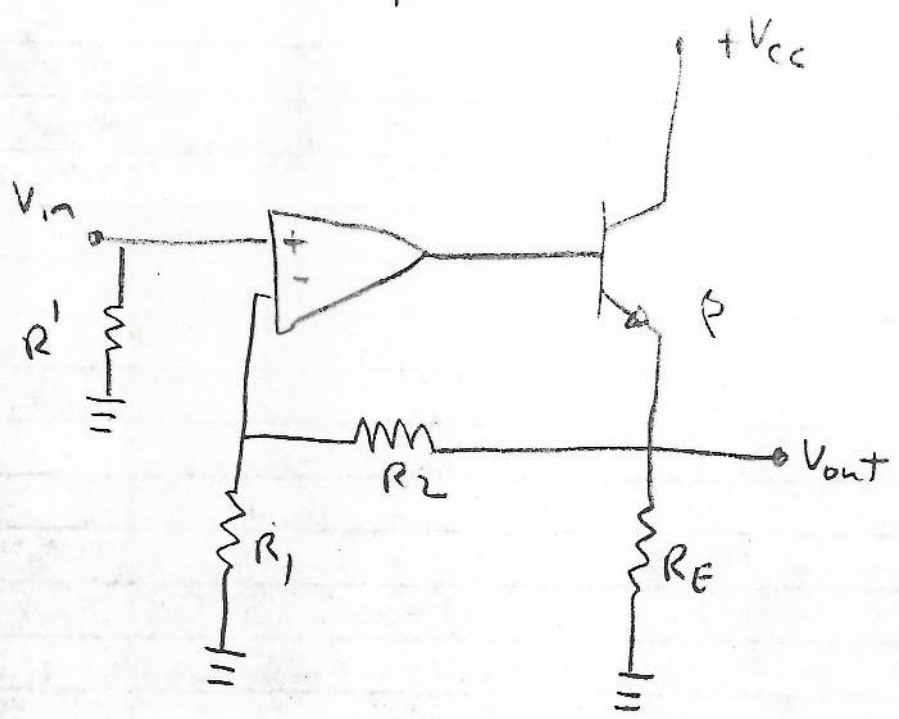
$$V_{out} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} \frac{1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}}{1 + \frac{R_3}{R_4}} (V_B - V_A)$$

$$\text{If } R_1/R_2 = R_3/R_4$$

$$V_{out} = \frac{R_2}{R_1} (V_B - V_A)$$

Op Amp Power Booster

- Op Amp current limit $\sim 20mA$
- Want to boost power



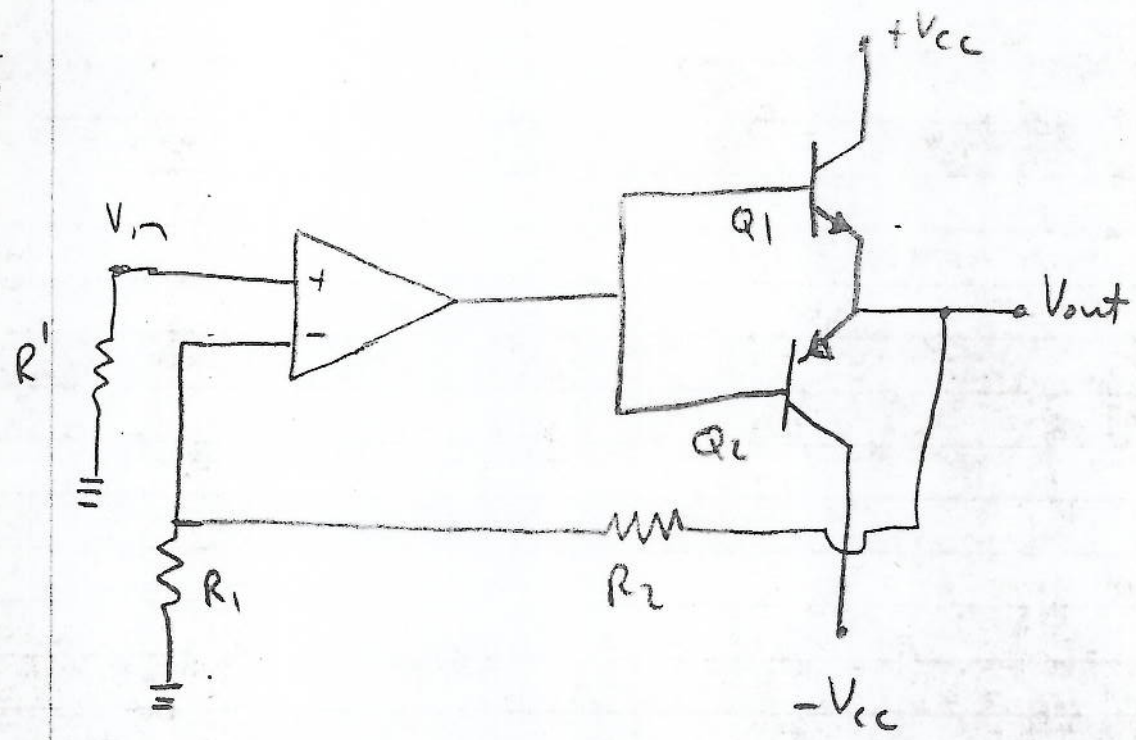
Only works for $+V_{in}$

For $-$ swings, replace

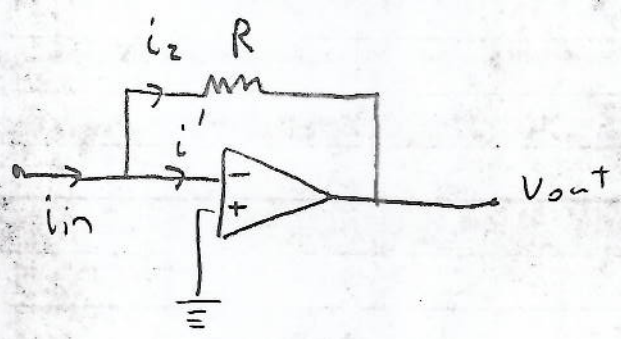


or Push-Pull

skipped



Current-to-Voltage Converter



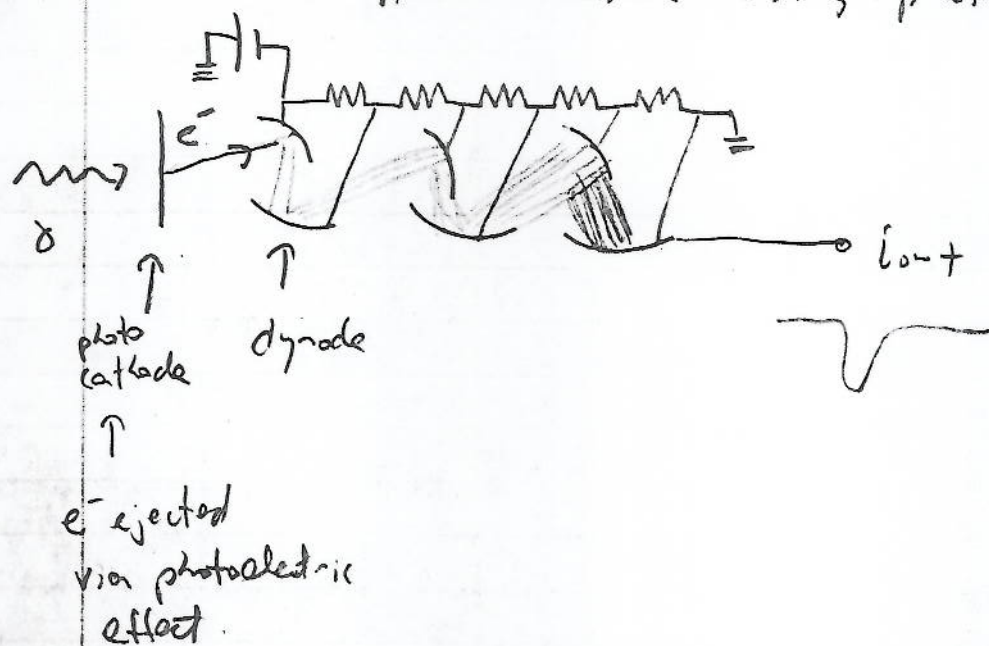
$$i_2 = \frac{e^- - V_{out}}{R} = -\frac{V_{out}}{R}$$

$$i_2 = i_{in}$$

$$V_{out} = -i_{in} R$$

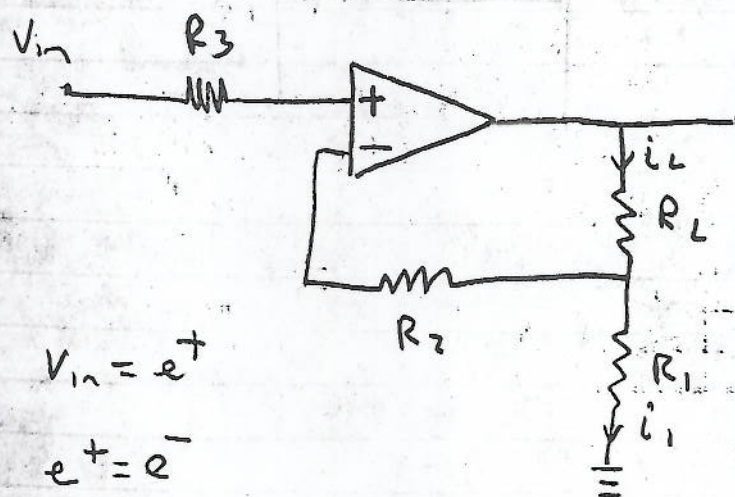
i_{in} converted to voltage

For example Photomultiplier tube PMT
How to measure a single photon



→ send i_{out} to i-to-v converter

V-to-I converter



$$V_{in} = e^+ = e^-$$

$$V_{R_2} = 0$$

$$e^- = i_1 R_1$$

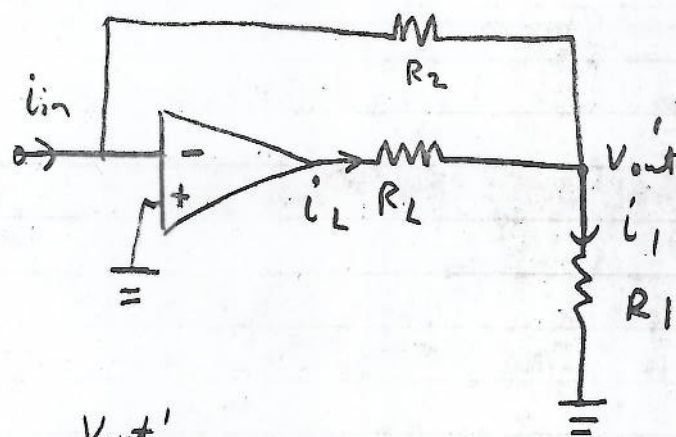
$$i_1 = i_L$$

$$V_{in} = i_L R_1$$

$$i_L = \frac{V_{in}}{R_1}$$

: No current drawn from source
Floating load
Indep of R_L

Current-to-Current Converter



$$i_{in} = - \frac{V_{out'}}{R_2}$$

$$i_{in} + i_L = i_1 = \frac{V_{out'}}{R_1}$$

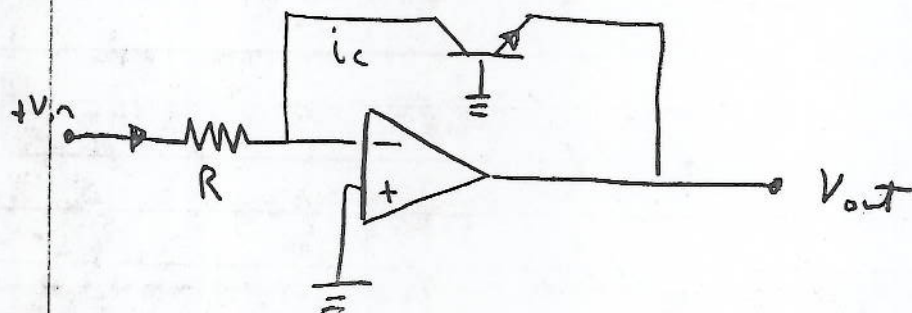
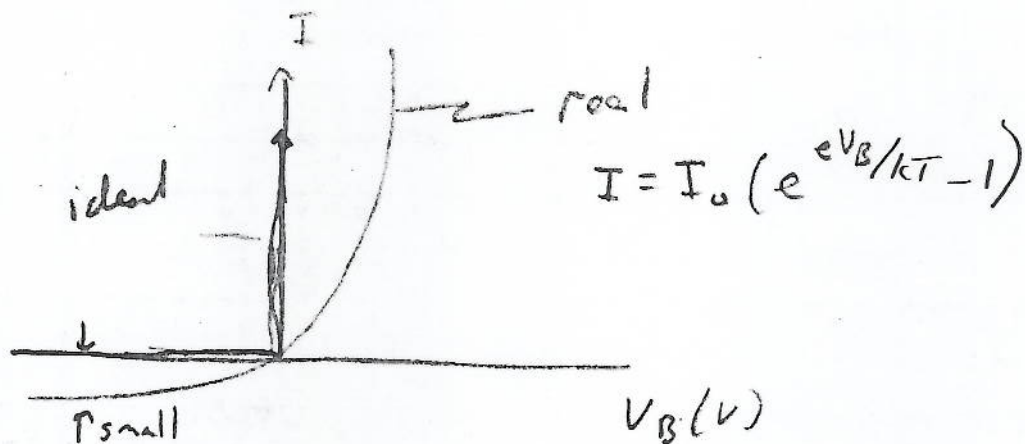
$$i_{in} + i_L = \frac{-i_{in} R_2}{R_1} \rightarrow$$

$$i_L = -i_{in} \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)$$

both ends
 R_1 above
ground

The Logarithmic Amplifier : $V_{out} \propto \log V_{in}$

Recall our p-n junction diode



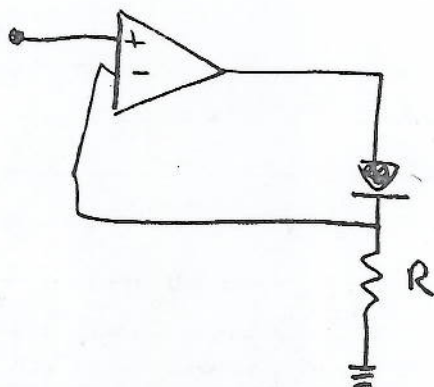
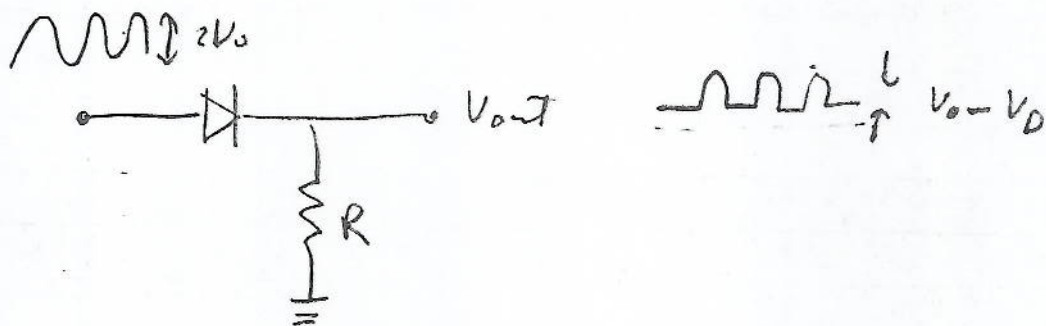
$$i_c = \frac{V_{in}}{R} \approx I_0 e^{eV_{out}/kT}$$

$$V_{BE} = -V_{out}$$

$$\frac{V_{in}}{R} = I_0 e^{-eV_{out}/kT}$$

$$V_{out} = -\frac{kT}{e} \ln\left(\frac{i_{in}}{I_0}\right)$$

Making a diode closer to ideal

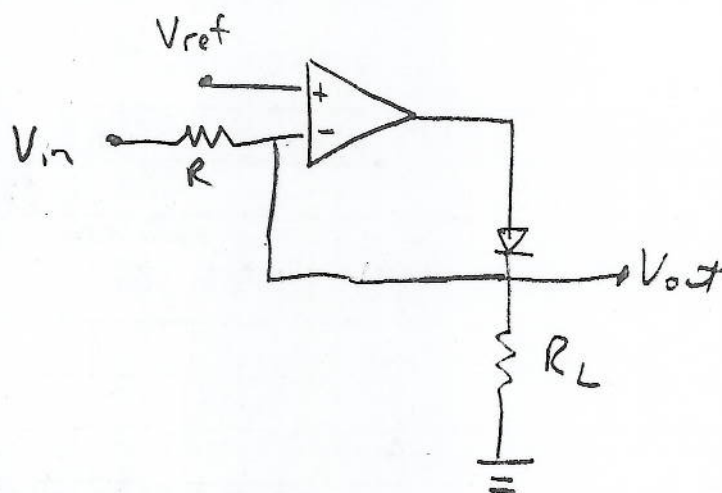


e^+ goes + by a little $V_{out} = A_0(e^+ - e^-)$

V_{out} goes + by a lot
 $\rightarrow$ diode turns on

e^+ goes - by a little

V_{out} goes -
 $\rightarrow$ diode off

Diode Clamp

If $V_{in} < V_{ref}$

$$V_{out} = A_o(e^+ - e^-)$$

Op amp $\rightarrow +$, diode on

$$V_{out} = V_{ref} \quad \text{clamped}$$

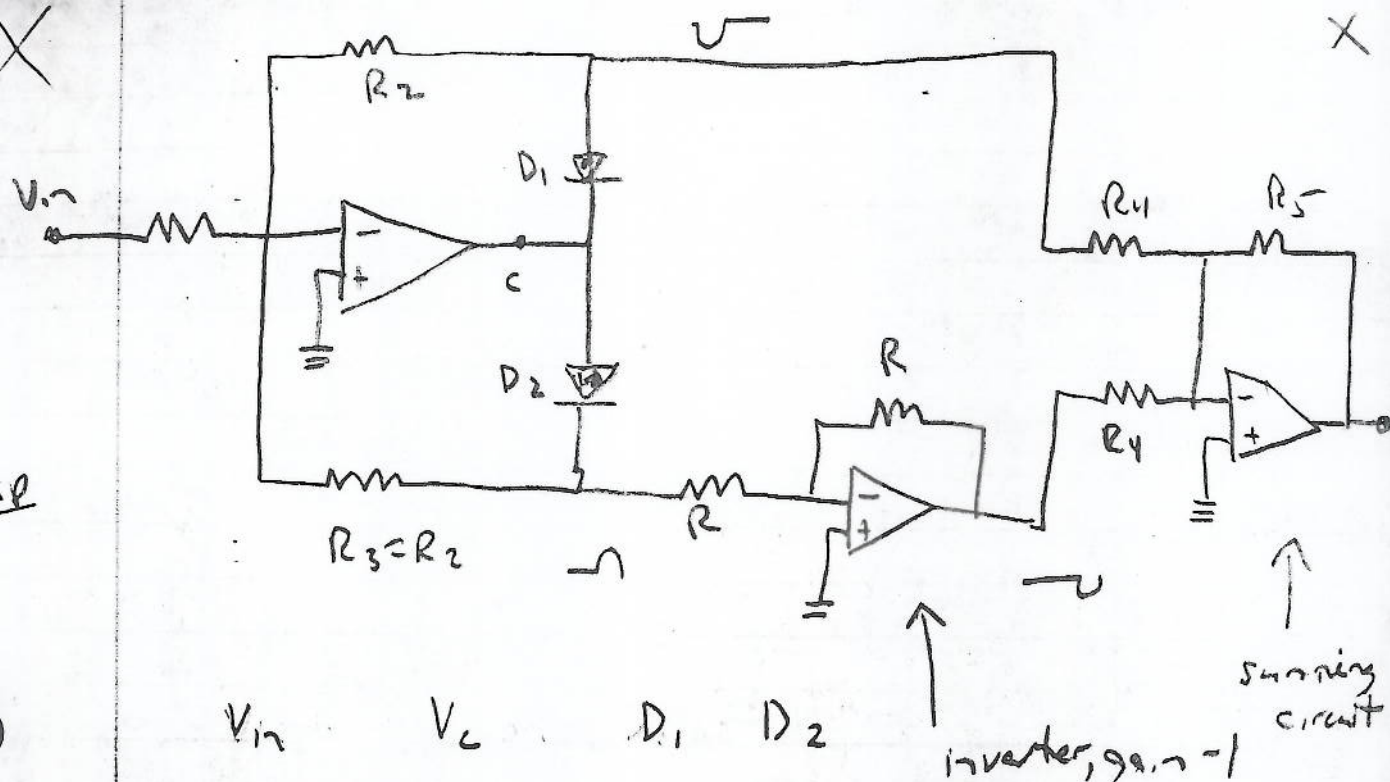
If $V_{in} > V_{ref}$

op amp $\rightarrow -$, diode off

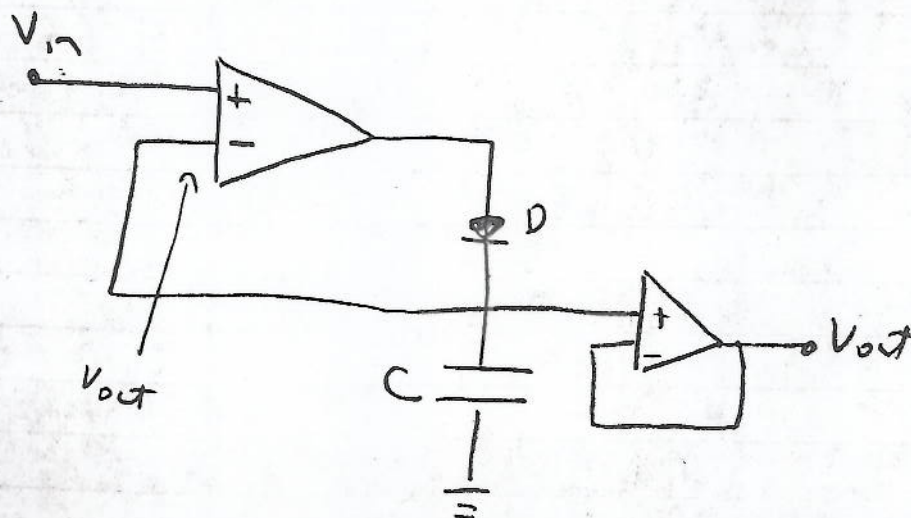
$$V_{out} = \frac{R_L V_{in}}{R + R_L}$$

$$R \ll R_L \quad V_{out} = V_{in}$$

Full wave rectifier



Peak detector



If $V_{in} > V_{out}$
D turns on

C charged to new voltage

If V_{in} gets even bigger

C charged to new bigger voltage

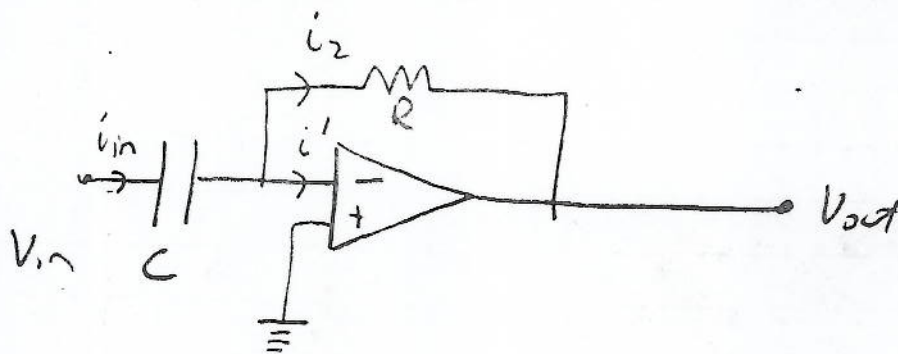
If $V_{in} < V_{out}$

D off

C sits there still holding biggest voltage

The graph illustrates the behavior of a voltage follower or a similar circuit. The vertical axis represents the ratio of input voltage to output voltage, V_{in}/V_{out} , and the horizontal axis represents time, t . The output voltage V_{out} is shown as a step function that increases whenever the input voltage V_{in} is greater than the current output voltage. The input voltage V_{in} is shown as a jagged line that fluctuates around the V_{out} steps. When V_{in} is less than V_{out} , V_{out} remains constant, illustrating the 'hold' state of a voltage follower or a similar circuit.

Op Amp Differentiator



$$i_{in} = i_2 + i_1$$

$$\therefore \frac{dQ}{dt} = i_{in} = \frac{-V_{out}}{R}$$

$$Q = CV_{in}$$

$$\frac{d(CV_{in})}{dt} = -\frac{V_{out}}{R}$$

$$V_{out} = -RC \frac{dV_{in}}{dt}$$

No restrictions on RC

Op Amp Comparators

Recall

$$V_{out} = A_o (e^+ - e^-)$$

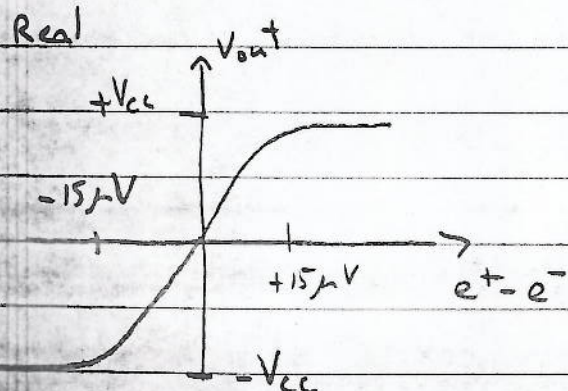
$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 voltages at
 terminals

$$A_o \sim 10^5 - 10^6$$

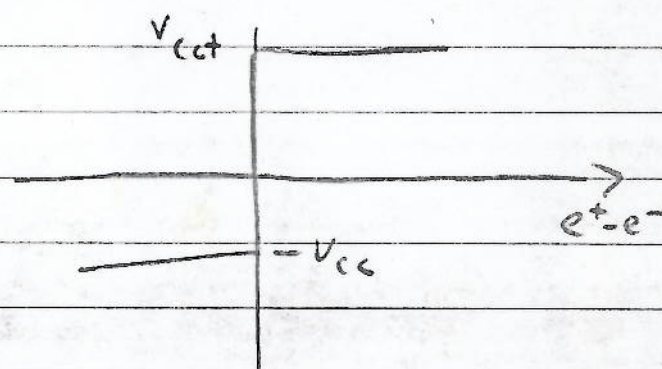
$$V_{outmax} \sim 13V$$

If $e^+ - e^- > \frac{15V}{10^6} \approx 15\mu V$, opamp output pinned

Real

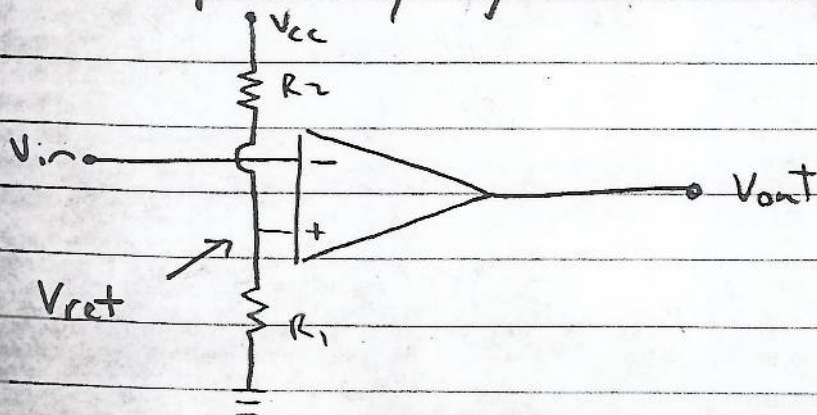


ideal

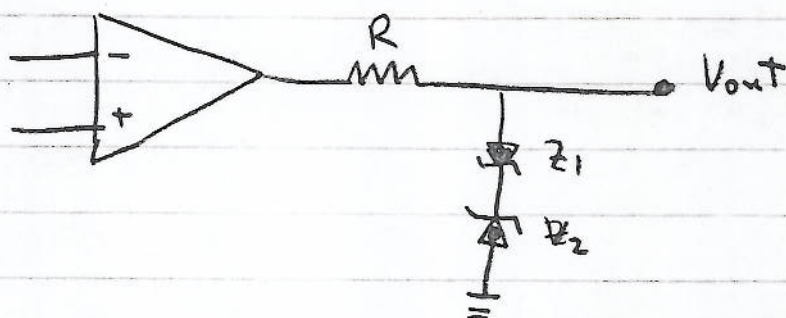


Comparator $\rightarrow$ tells which input is bigger
 slow rates $1-5V/\mu s$ and 10^4 p

Can compare any signal to a reference voltage



Can clip output

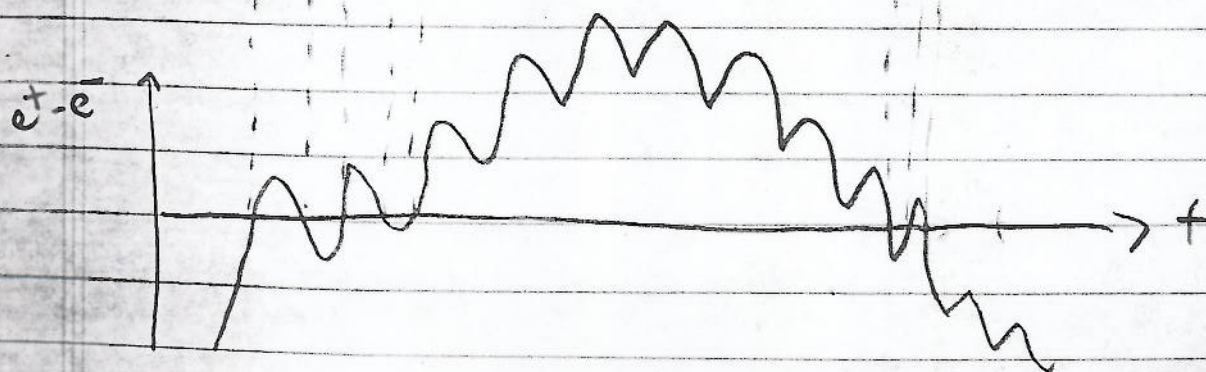
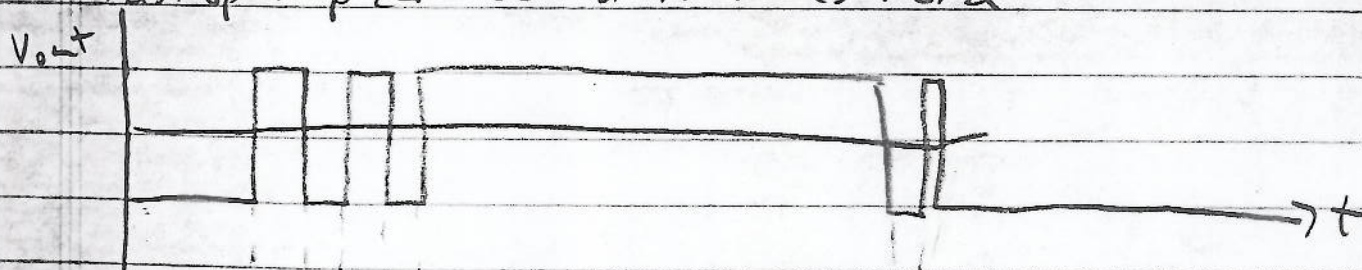


$$-(V_D + V_{Z1}) < V_{out} < V_D + V_{Z2}$$

Slew rates:

ordinary op amp	1-5 V/ μ sec
specialty fast	500-1000 V/ μ sec

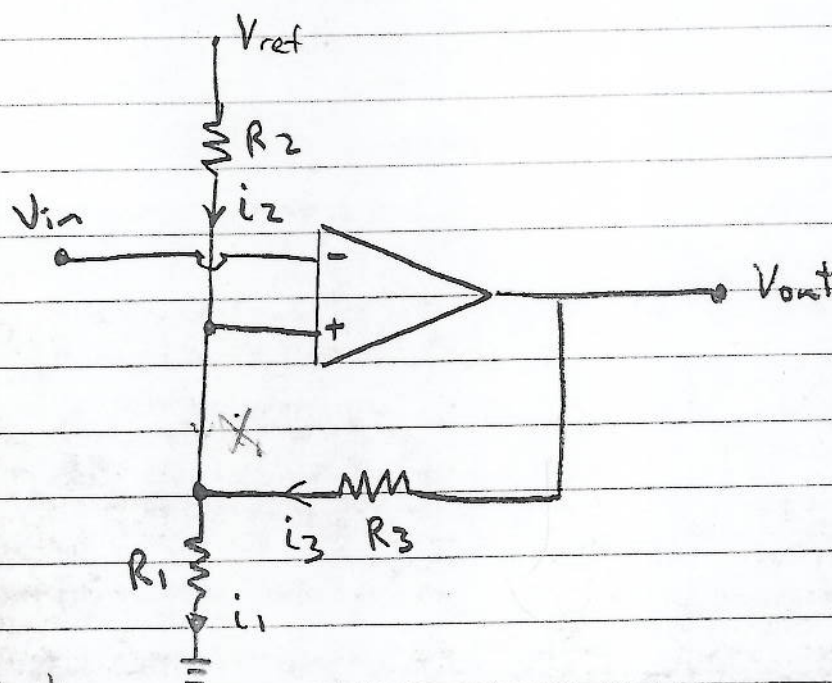
Fast op amp can be bad if there's noise



Trick to solve this:

The Schmitt Trigger

exhibits hysteresis



$V_{thresh} = V_{ref} = e^+$, depends on V_{out}

Whether or not comparator flips depends upon previous history.

$$i_2 + i_3 = i_1$$

$$\frac{V_{ref} - e^+}{R_2} + \frac{V_{out} - e^+}{R_3} = \frac{e^+}{R_1}$$

$$\frac{V_{ref}}{R_2} + \frac{V_{out}}{R_3} = e^+ \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \right) = \frac{e^+}{R_{123}}$$

$$e^+ = \frac{R_{123}}{R_2} V_{ref} + \frac{R_{123}}{R_3} V_{out}$$

• Threshold depends on V_{out}

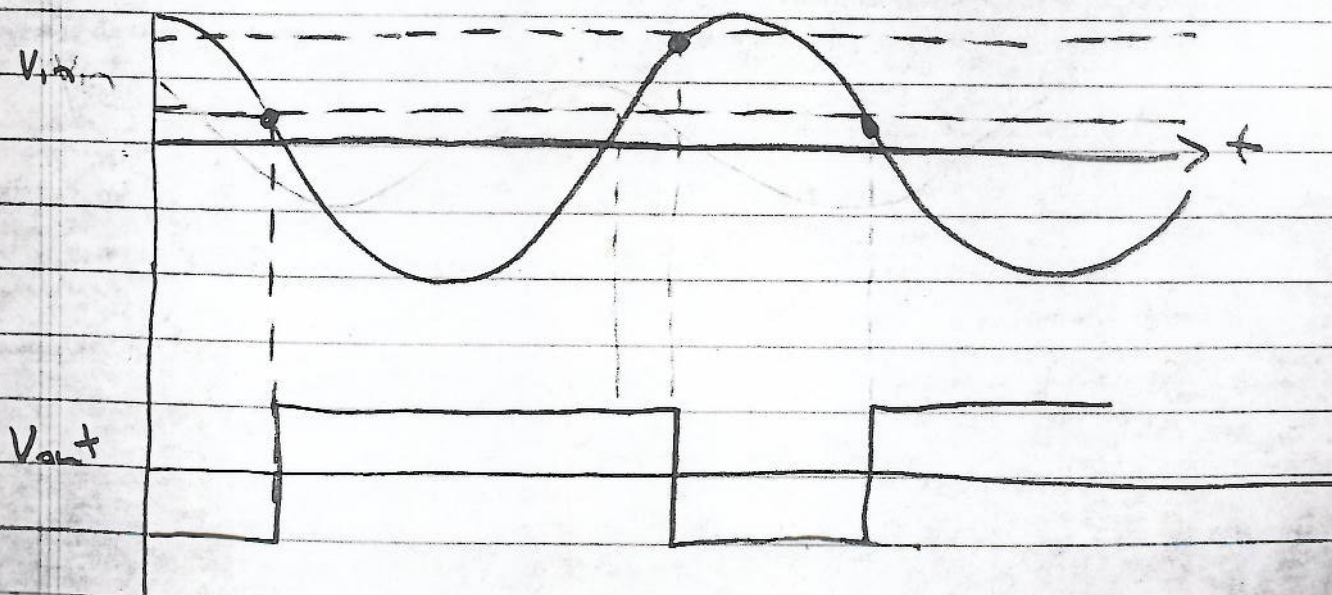
V_{out} high

$$e^+ = \frac{R_{123}}{R_2} V_{ref} + \frac{R_{123}}{R_3} V_{CC}$$

V_{out} low

$$e^+ = \frac{R_{123}}{R_2} V_{ref} - \frac{R_{123}}{R_3} V_{CC}$$

$$\Delta \text{ threshold} = \frac{2 R_{123}}{R_3} V_{CC}$$



Two kinds

- (1) Peak sensing - maximum voltage digitized
- (2) charge sensitive - total integrated current digitized

Best technique: successive approximations

→ compare incoming pulse to a bunch of reference voltages

Example:

Suppose ADC accepts 0-10V input
Let's give it an 8V signal

(1) Compare input to 5V

bigger → set 1st bit to 1

(2) Compare to $5V + \frac{1}{2}5V = 7.5V$

bigger → set 2nd bit to 1

(3) Compare to $5V + \frac{1}{2}5V + \frac{1}{4}5V = 8.75V$

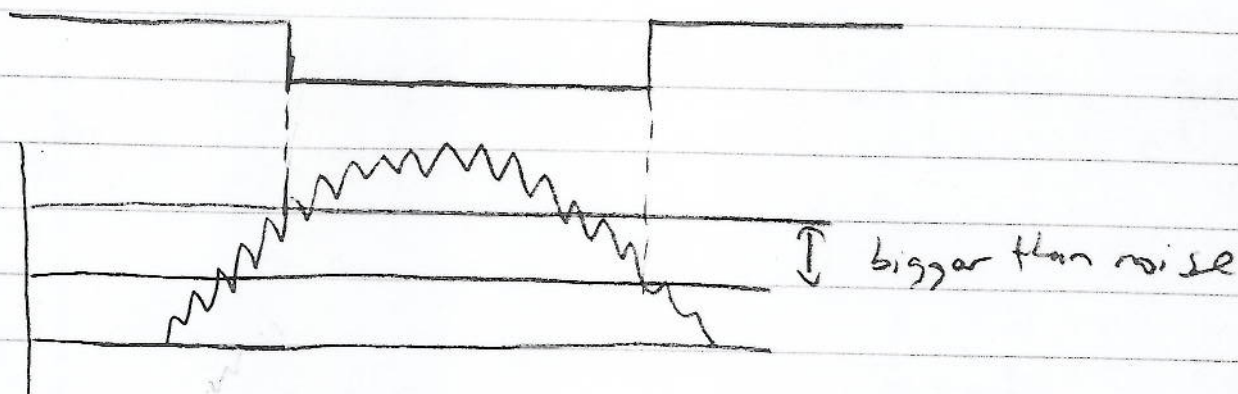
smaller → set 3rd bit to 0

(4) Compare to $5V + \frac{1}{2}5V + \frac{1}{4}5V - \frac{1}{8}5V$

→ etc

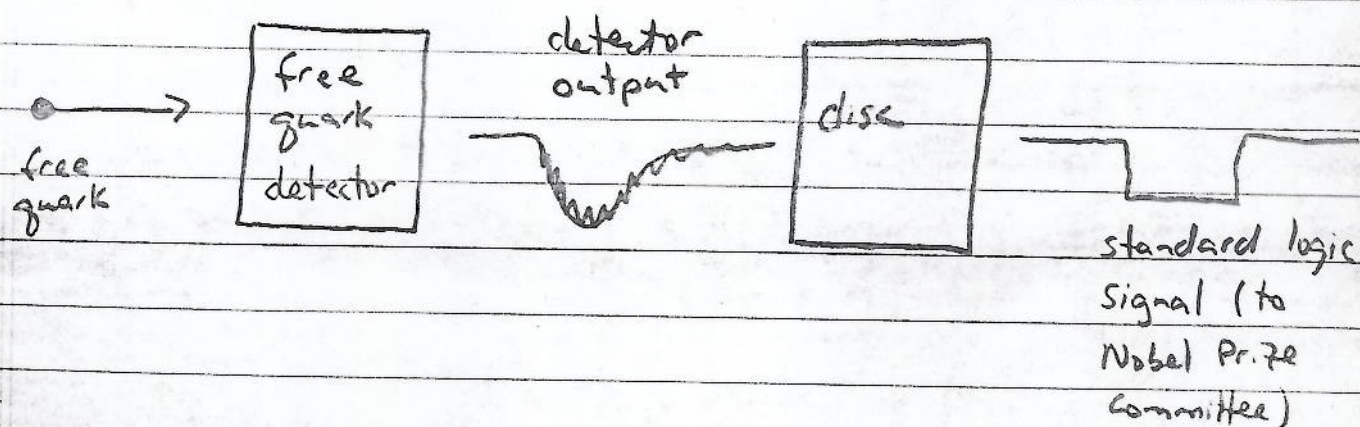
Do until required accuracy (bits) is obtained.

So what?
noise



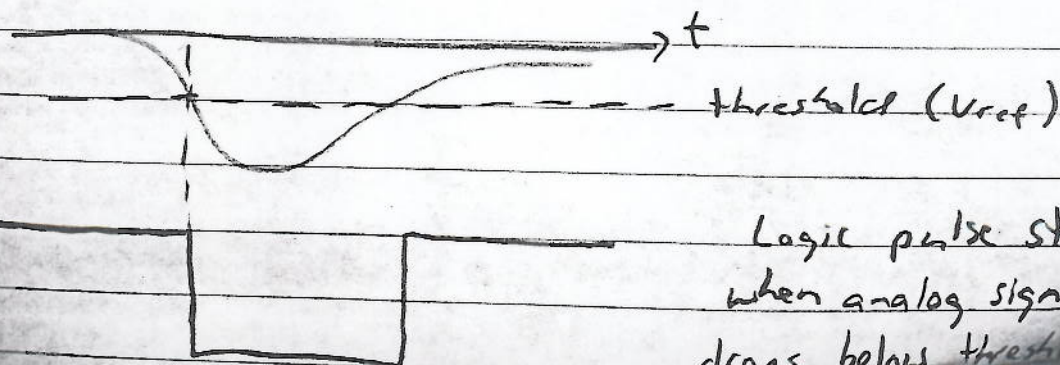
Comparator Examples

Discriminators

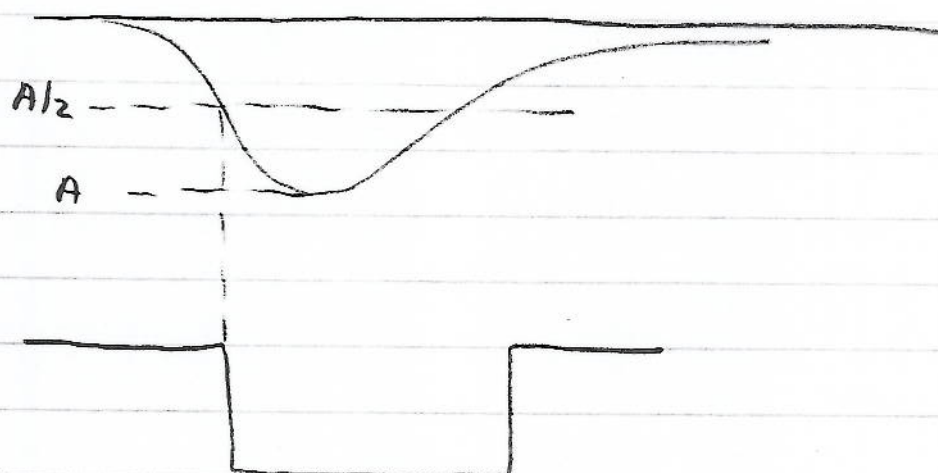


Two kinds of discrimination

(1) leading edge



Constant Fraction Discriminator



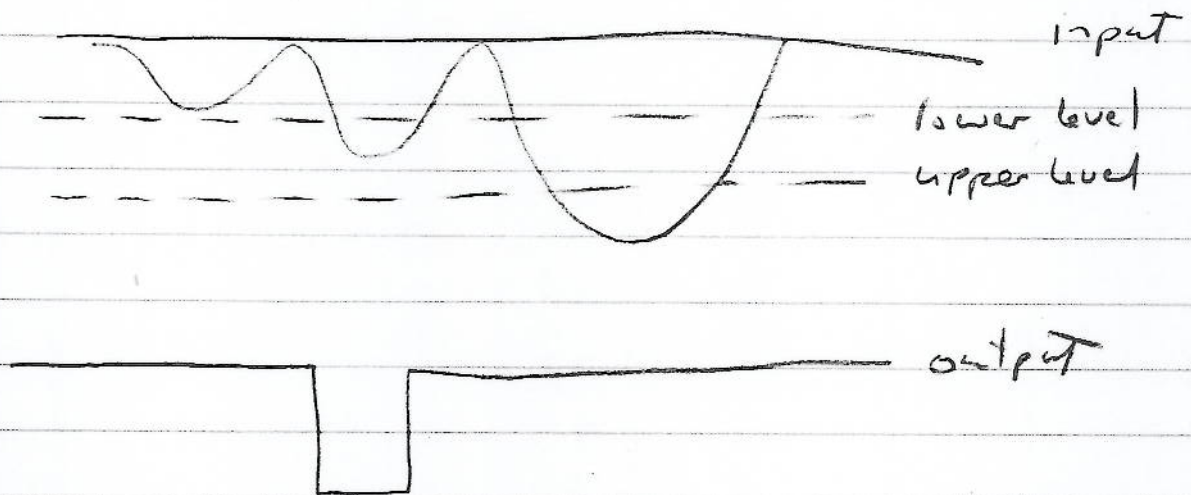
Logic pulse starts when analog pulse drops below some preset fraction of its amplitude

- ② Single - Channel Analyzer (Differential Discriminator)
- sorts incoming analog signals according to amplitudes

Discriminator - one threshold

SCA - two thresholds

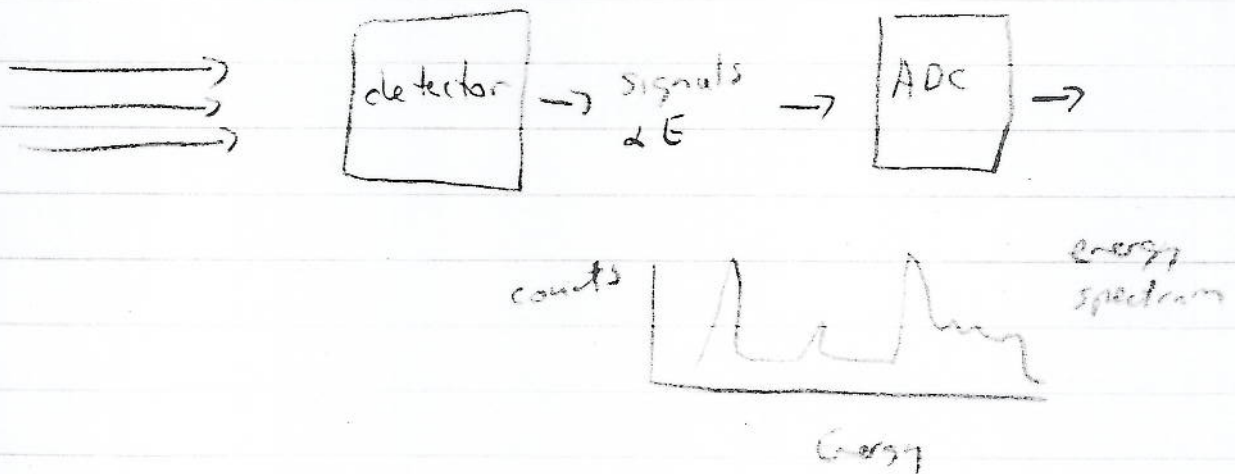
→ window



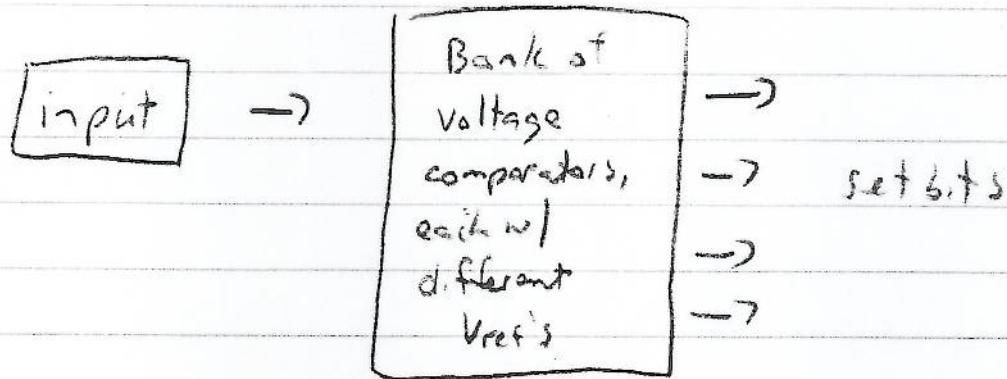
Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC or A/D)

Can sort signals by size w/ many SCA's w/
different windows

particles of
different
energies



Flash ADC

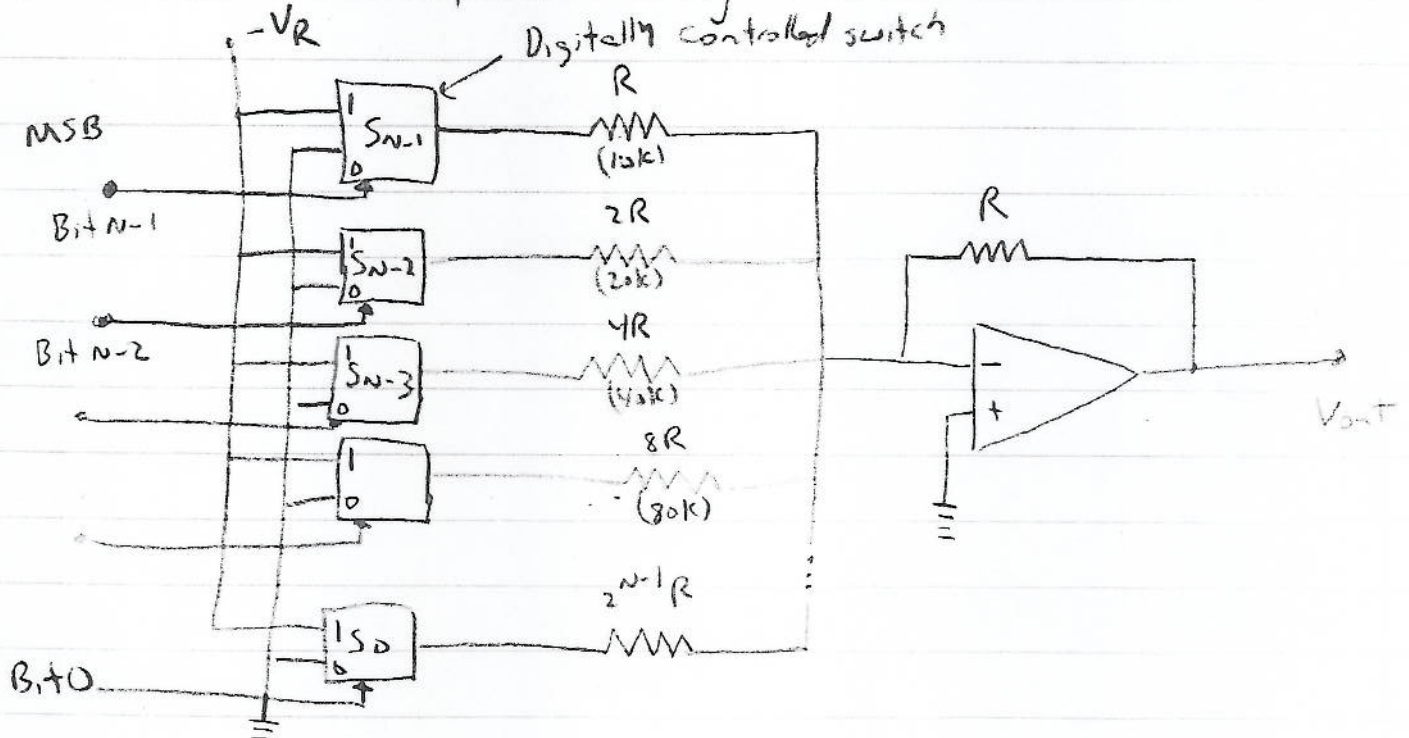


very fast, conversion time $\sim 1 \mu\text{sec}$

Digital-to-Analog Converters (DAC or D/A)

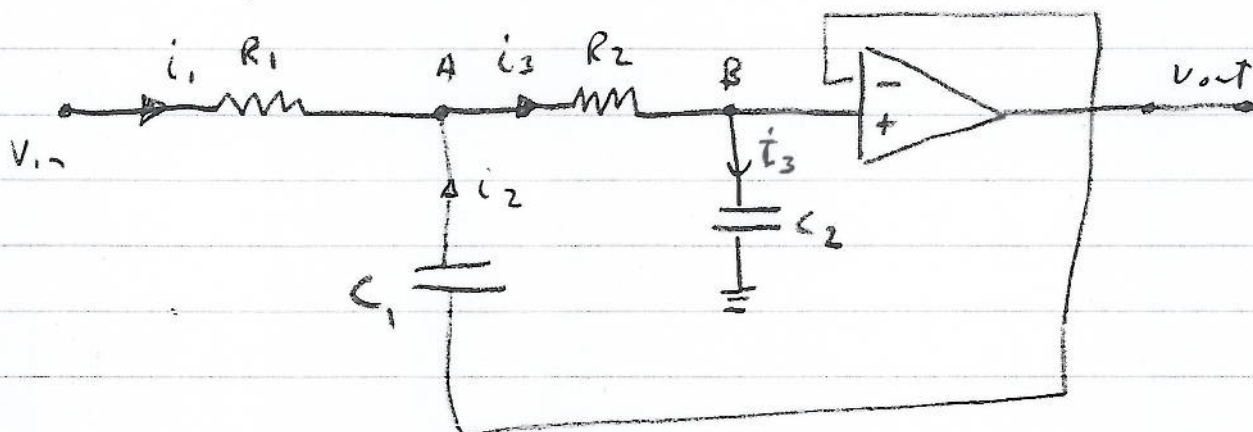
Drive servo-mechanism, etc

Recall our totally cool summing circuit



- (1) Binary word passed through network of parallel branches, one branch for each bit
- (2) Electronic switch
 V_r if bit is 1
 0 if bit is 0
- (3) Each branch has resistance weighted by inverse of significance of bit
 $R, 2R, 4R, \text{etc}$
- (4) Currents from each branch summed
 → analog output

Sallen Key Active Filter (low pass)



$$i_1 + i_2 = i_3$$

$$i_1 = \frac{V_{in} - V_A}{R_1}$$

$$i_2 = \frac{V_{out} - V_A}{\frac{1}{j\omega C_1}} = j\omega C_1 (V_{out} - V_A)$$

$$i_3 = \frac{V_A}{R_2 + \frac{1}{j\omega C_2}}$$

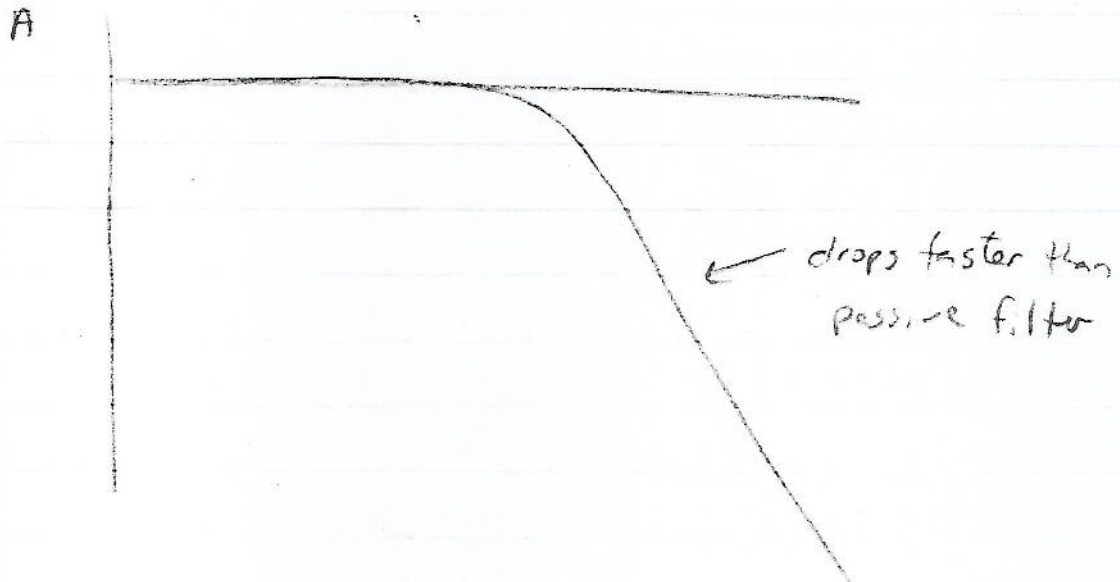
$$V_B = V_{out}$$

$$i_3 = \frac{V_B}{\frac{1}{j\omega C_2}} = V_{out} j\omega C_2$$

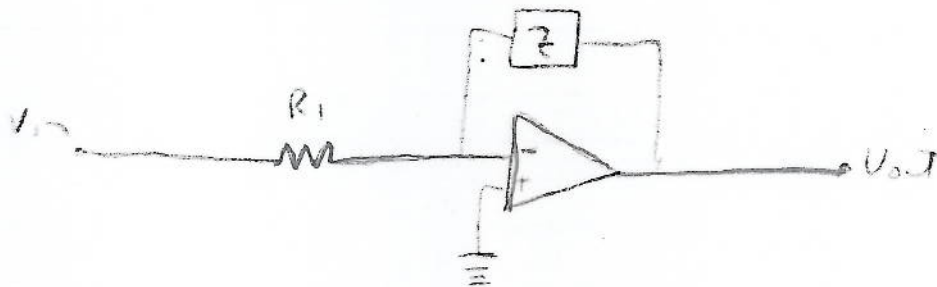
5 eqn, 6 unknowns

$i_1, i_2, i_3, V_{in}, V_{out}, V_A$

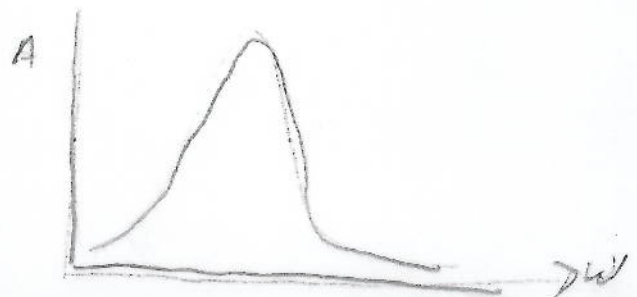
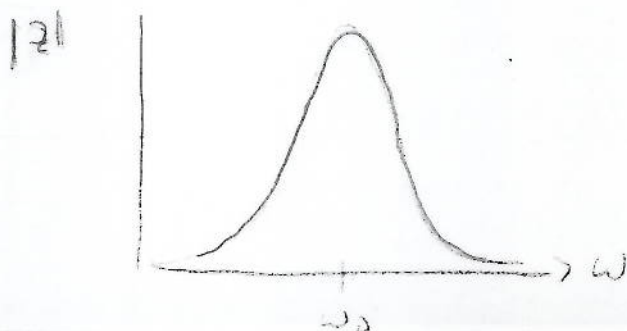
$$A = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{1}{1 - \omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2 + j\omega (R_1 + R_2) C_2}$$



Active Bandpass Filters

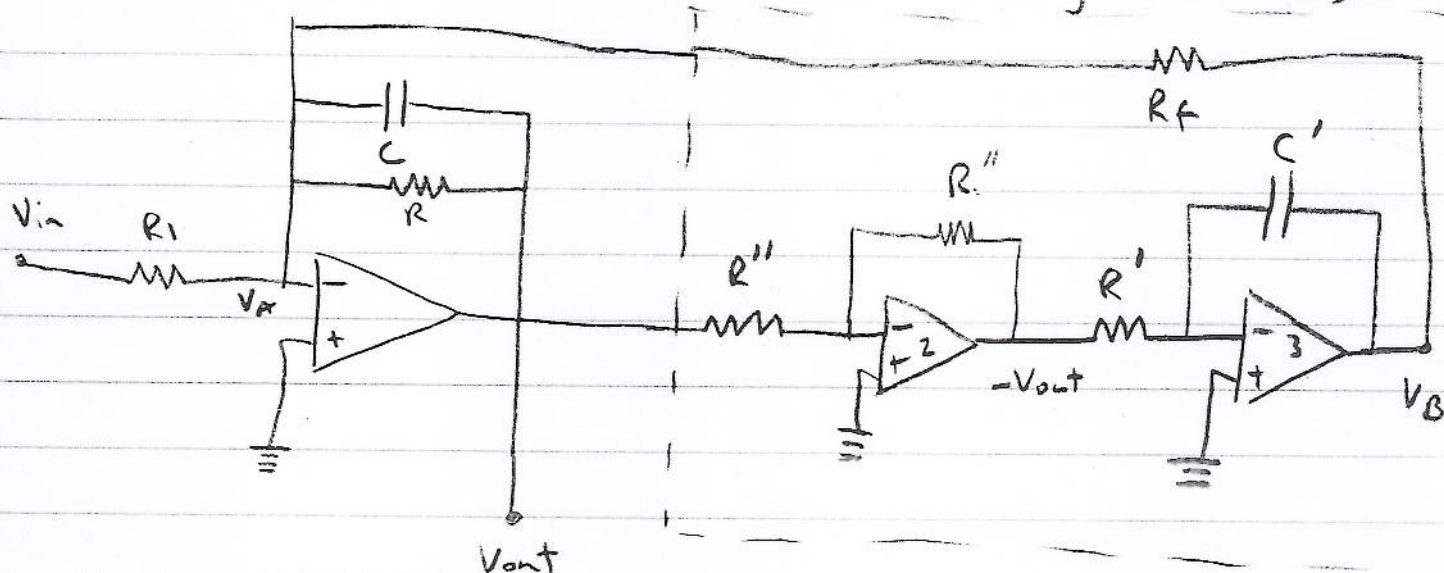


V_{in}, R_1 specify current through Z
 $V_{out} = I Z$



Active inductor

(How to make an inductor without using an inductor)



$$V_B = -\frac{1}{R'C'} \int (-V_{out}) dt$$

$$\frac{dV_B}{dt} = \frac{1}{R'C'} V_{out}$$

$$i_f = \frac{V_B - V_{in}}{R_f} = \frac{V_B}{R_f}$$

$$R_f \frac{di_f}{dt} = \frac{1}{R'C'} V_{out}$$

$$V_{out} = R_f R' C' \frac{di_f}{dt}$$

$$\text{like } V_{out} = L_{eff} \frac{di_f}{dt}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} I = \frac{-V_{out}}{R'} ; V_B = \frac{Q}{C'} \\ V_B = \frac{1}{R'C'} \int -V_{out} dt \end{array} \right.$$

$$L_{eff} = R_f R' C'$$

So resonant f is

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_{eff} C}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R_f R' C' C}}$$