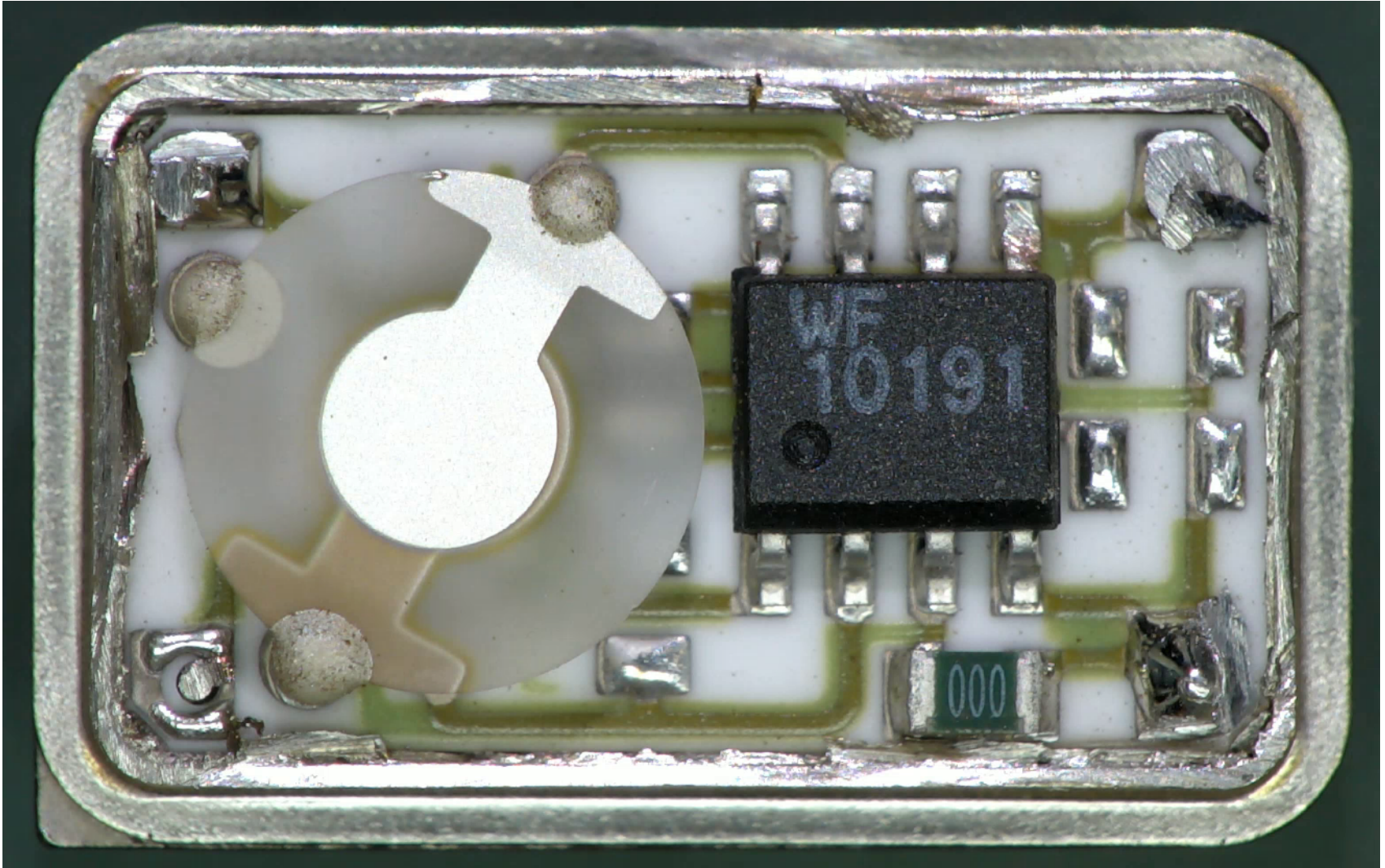


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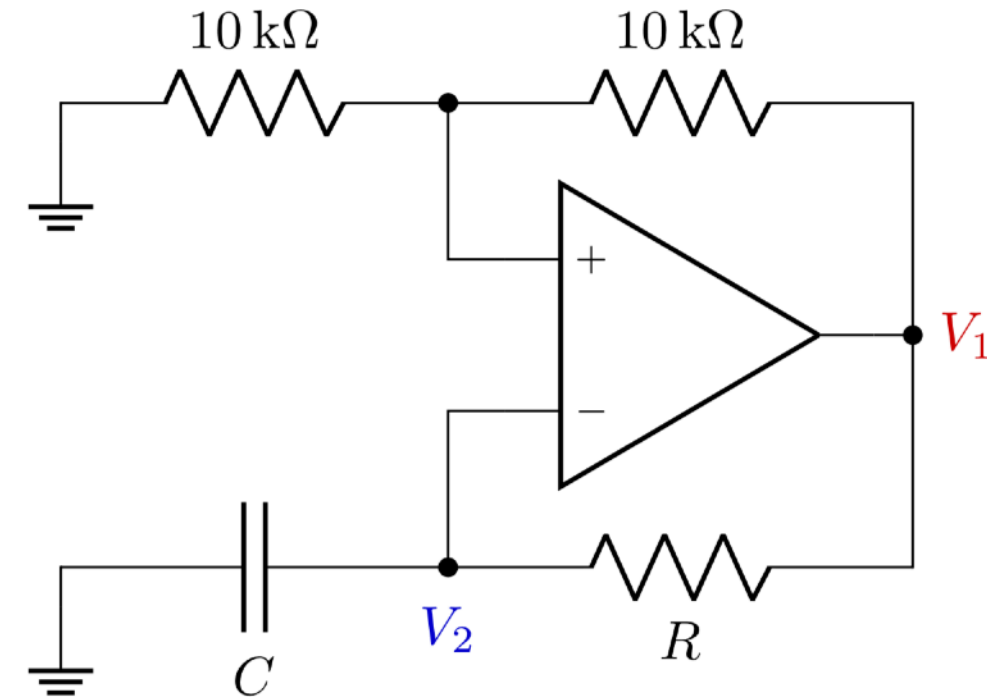
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More oscillators



# Review: Oscillator

We made an oscillator with an op-amp



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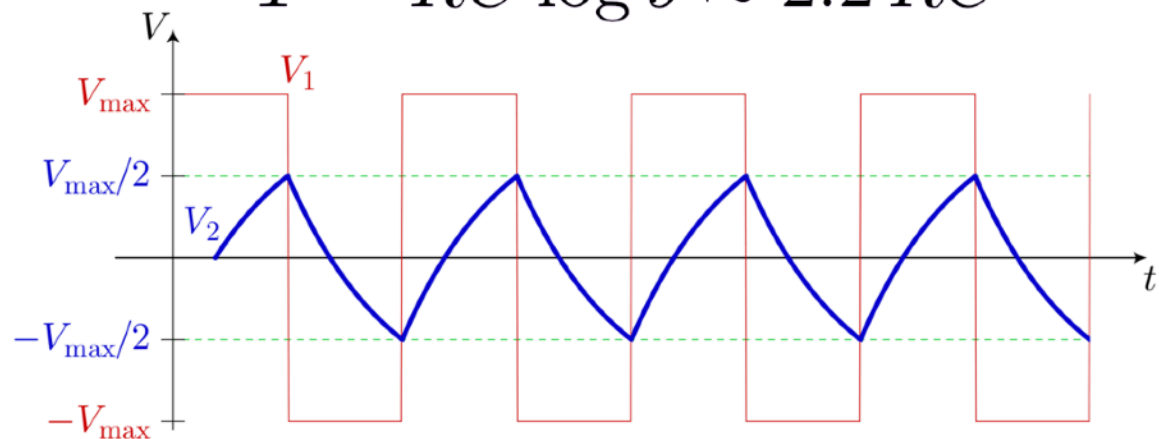
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where  $I = C \text{ d}V_2/\text{d}t$

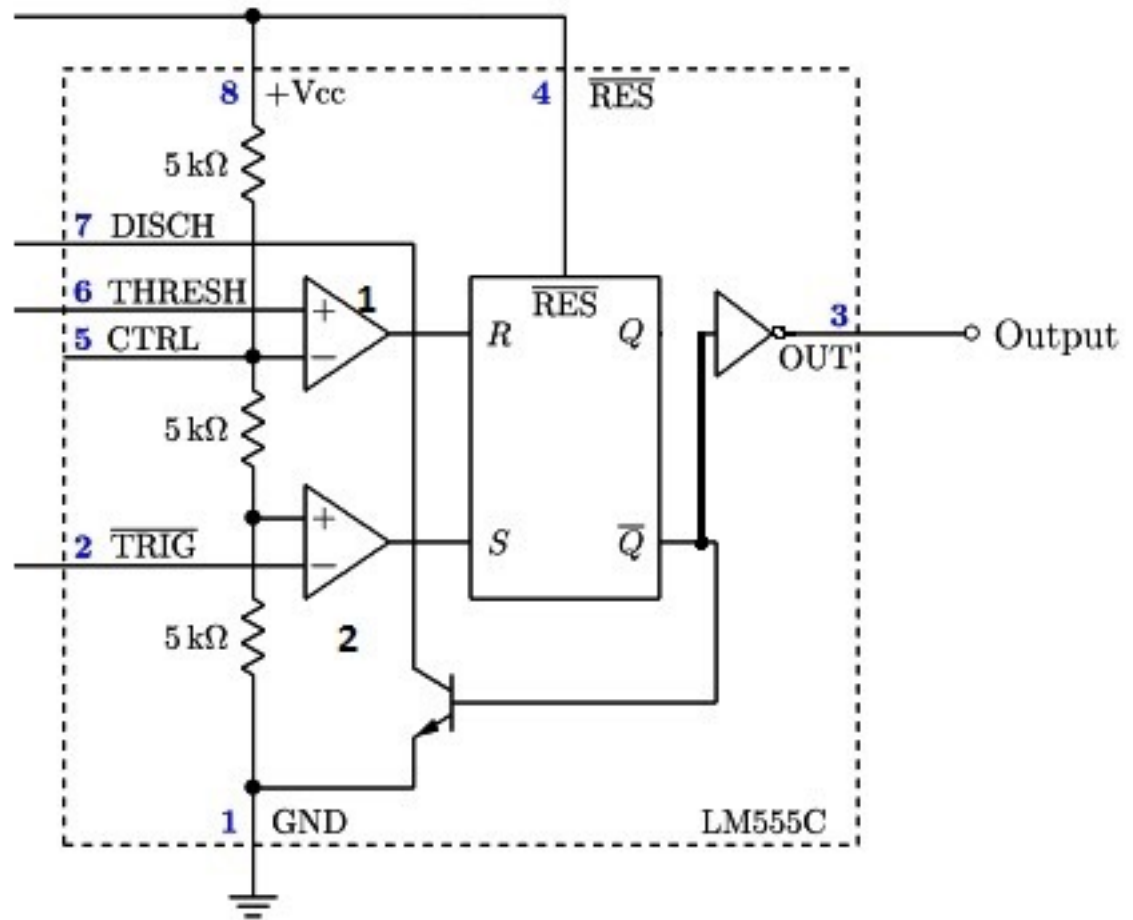
What is  $V_1$ ?

$$T = RC \log 9 \approx 2.2 RC$$



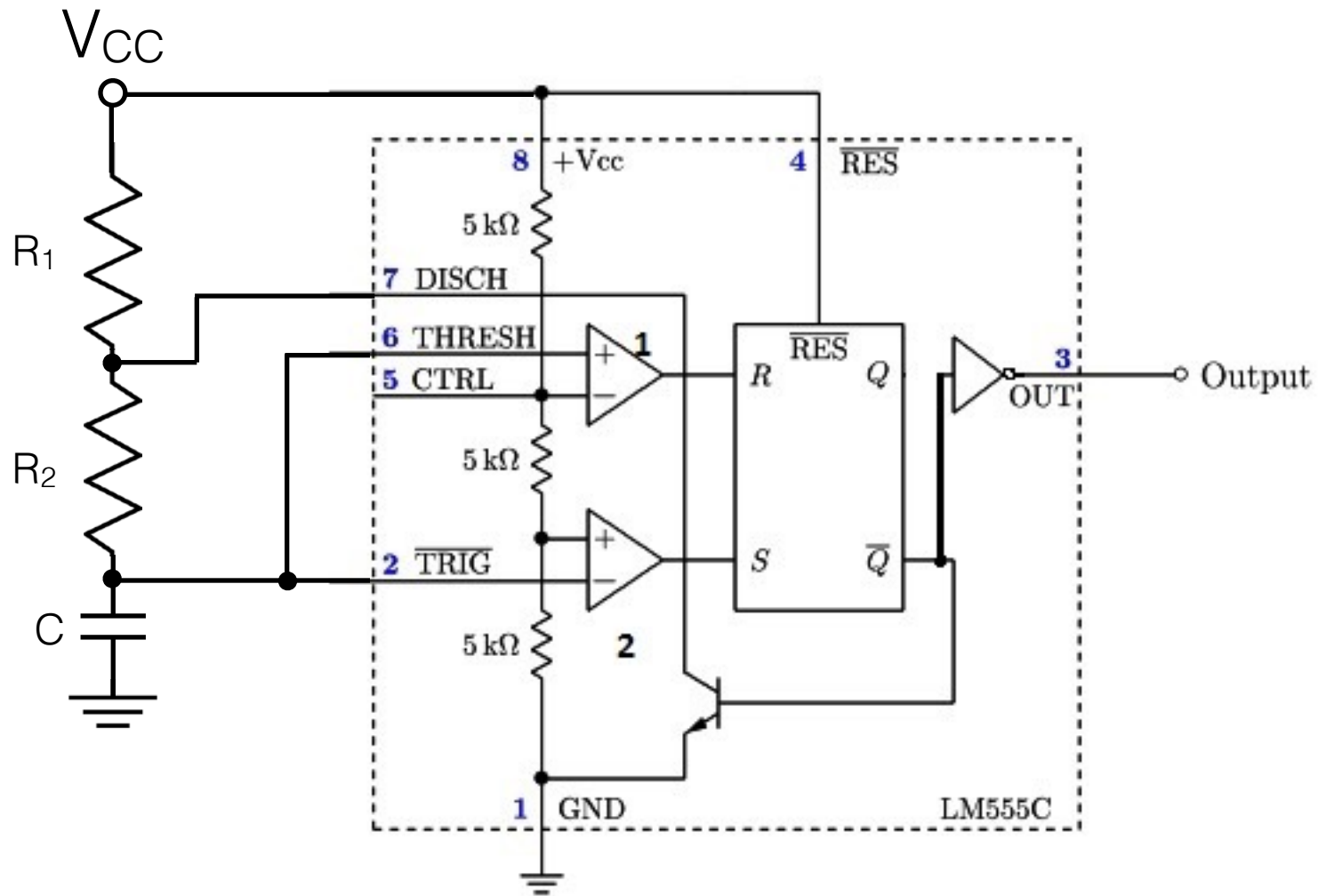
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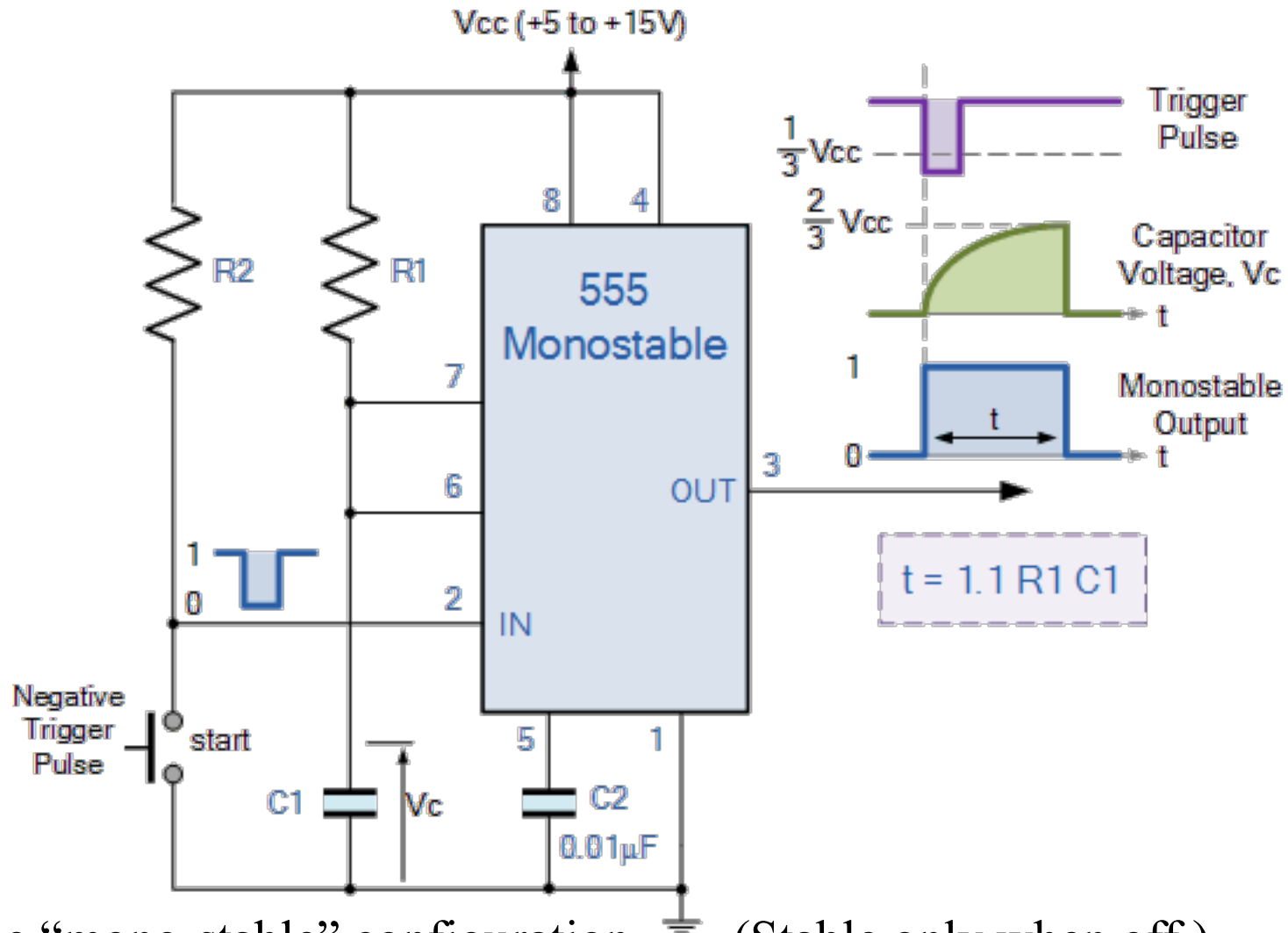
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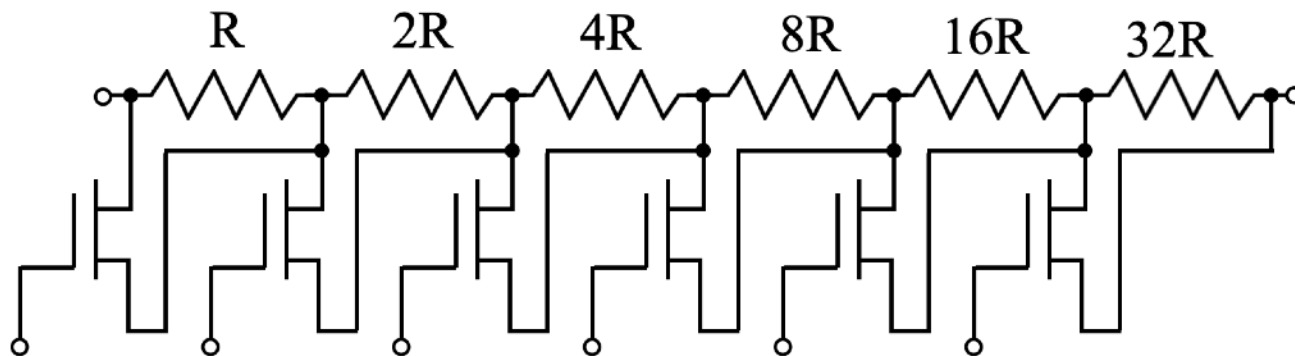
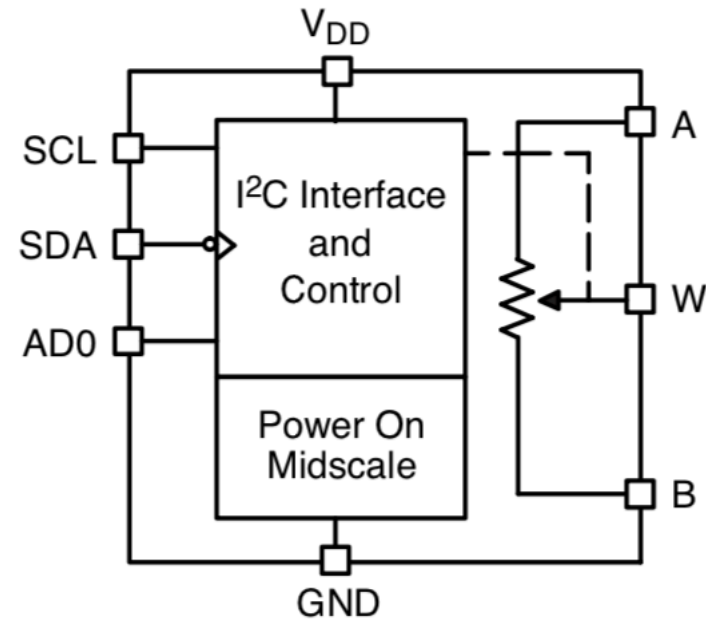
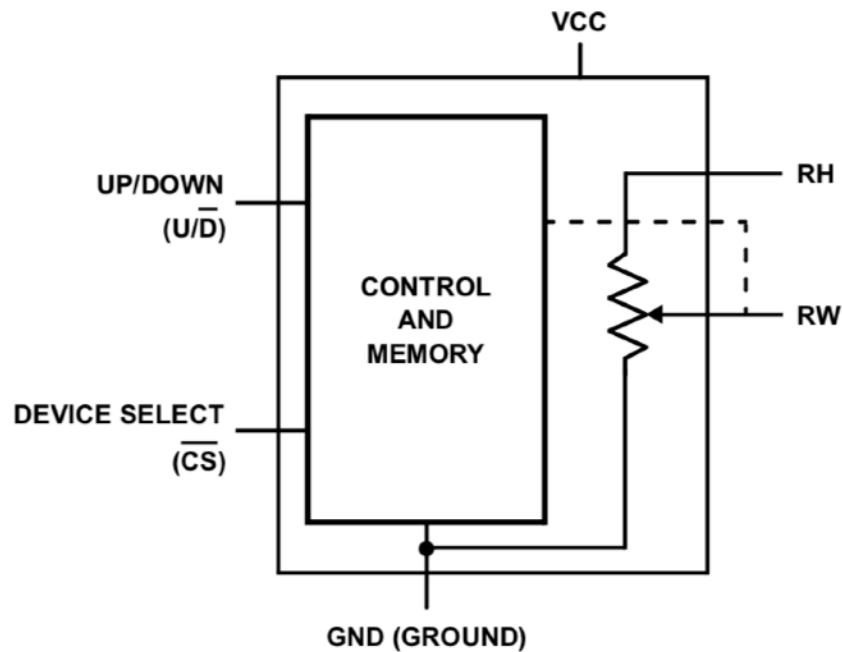
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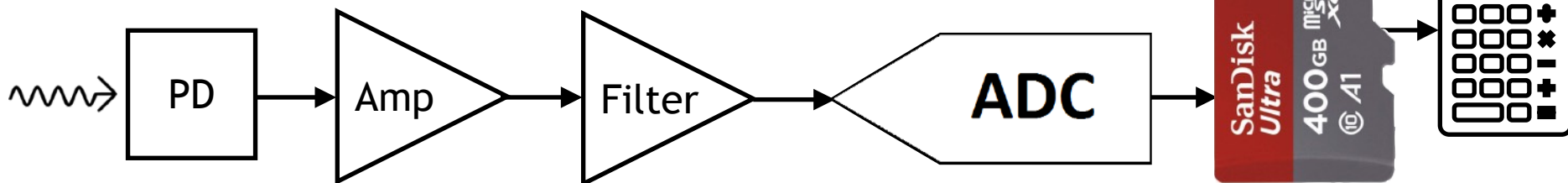
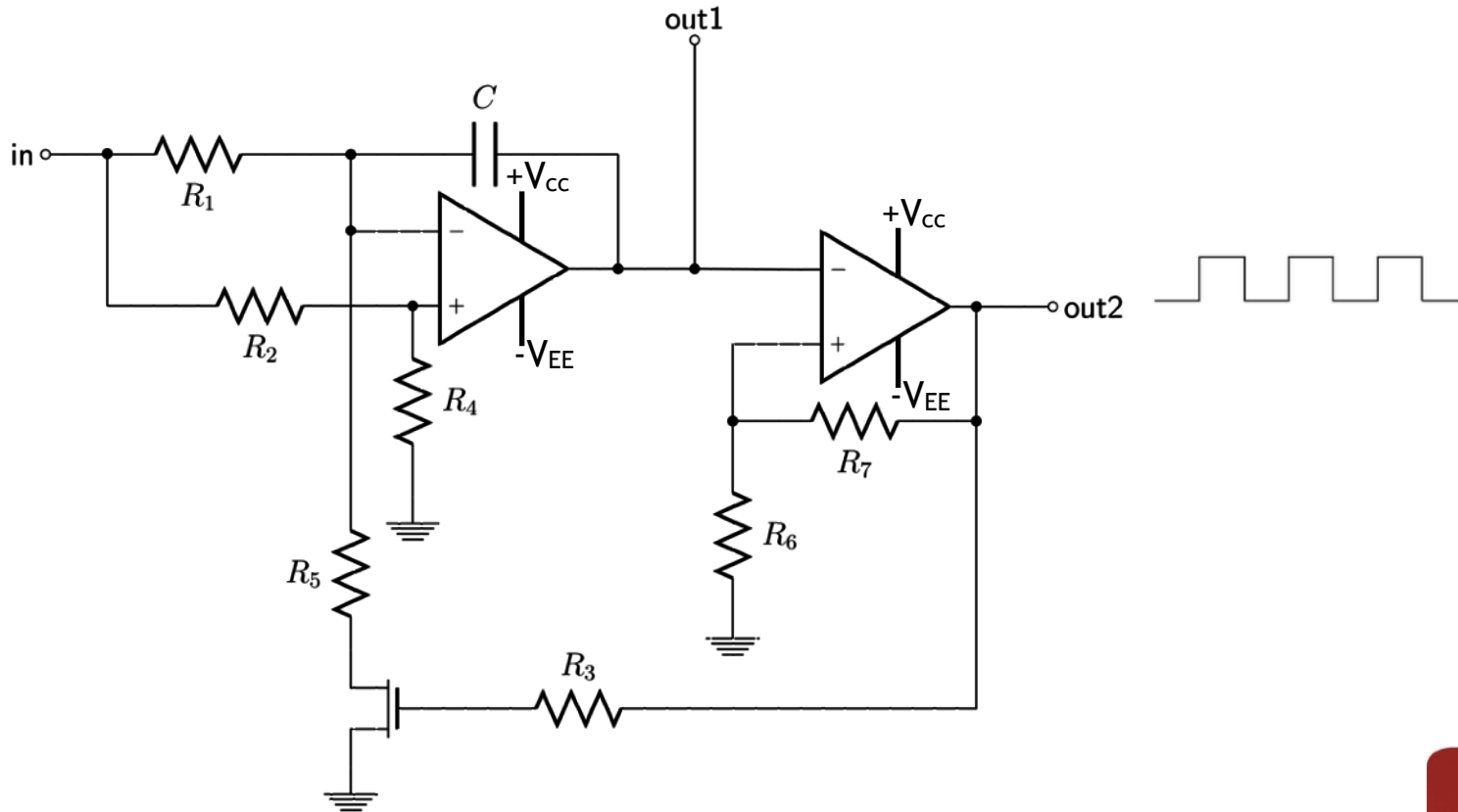
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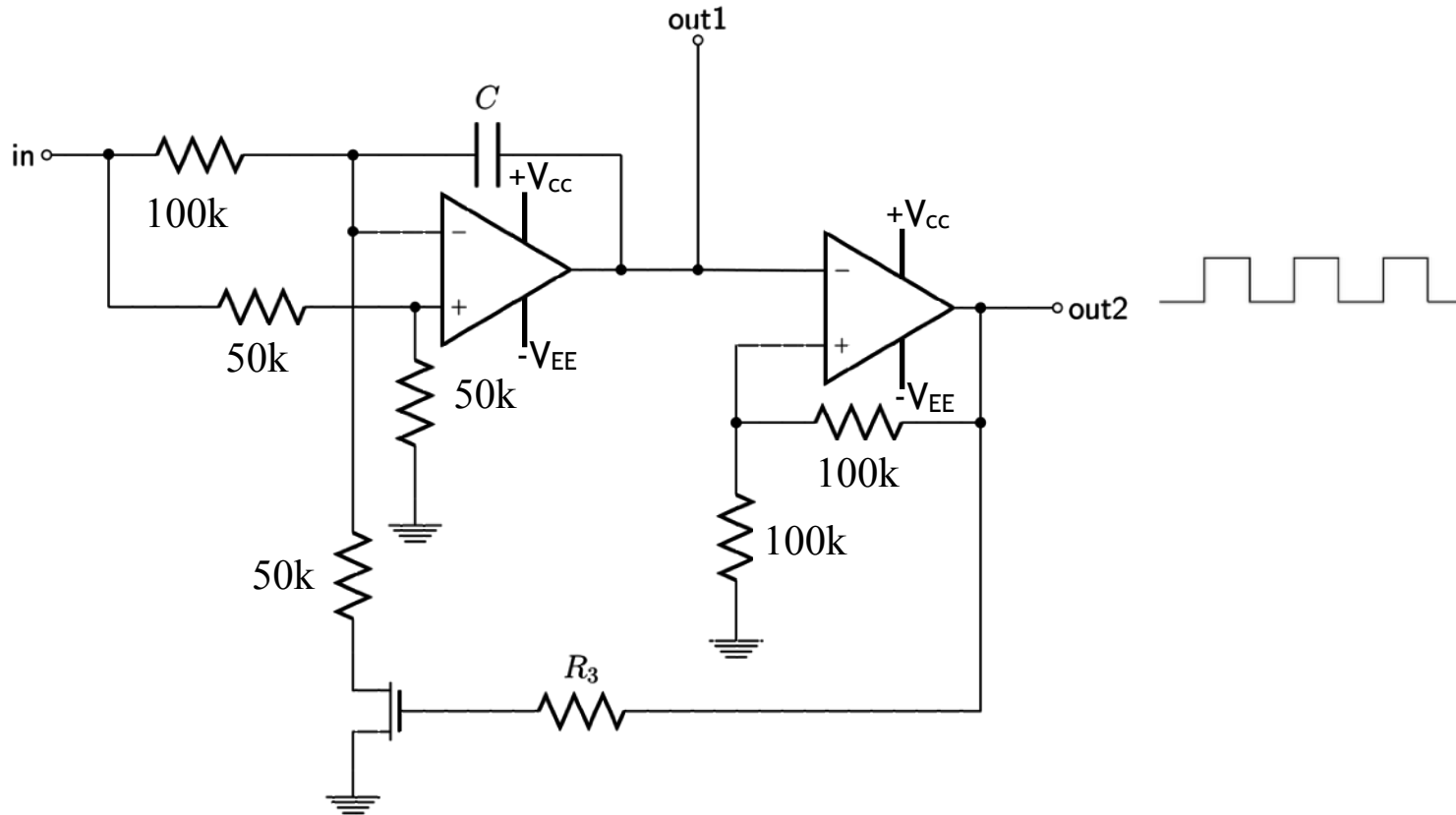
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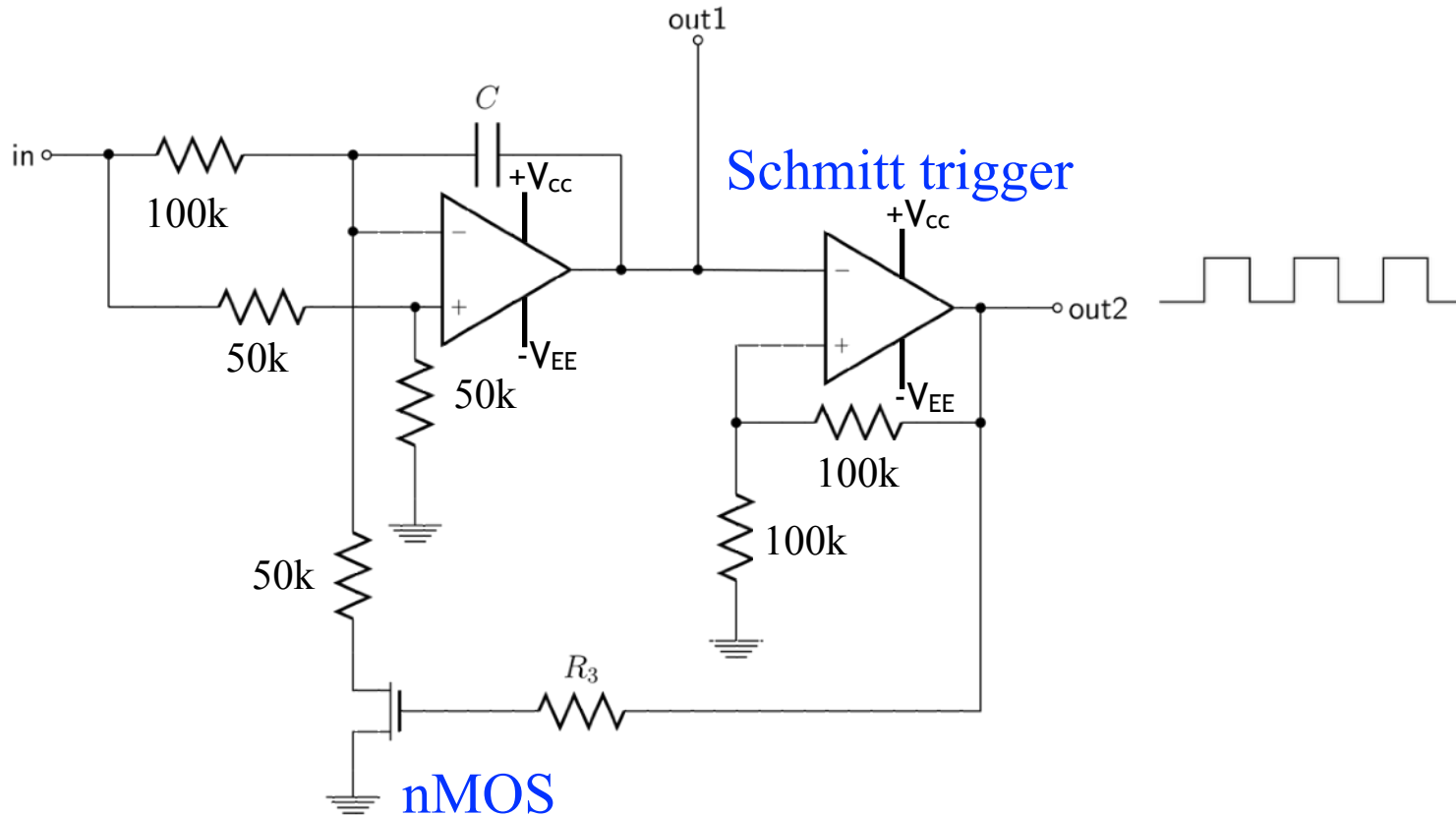




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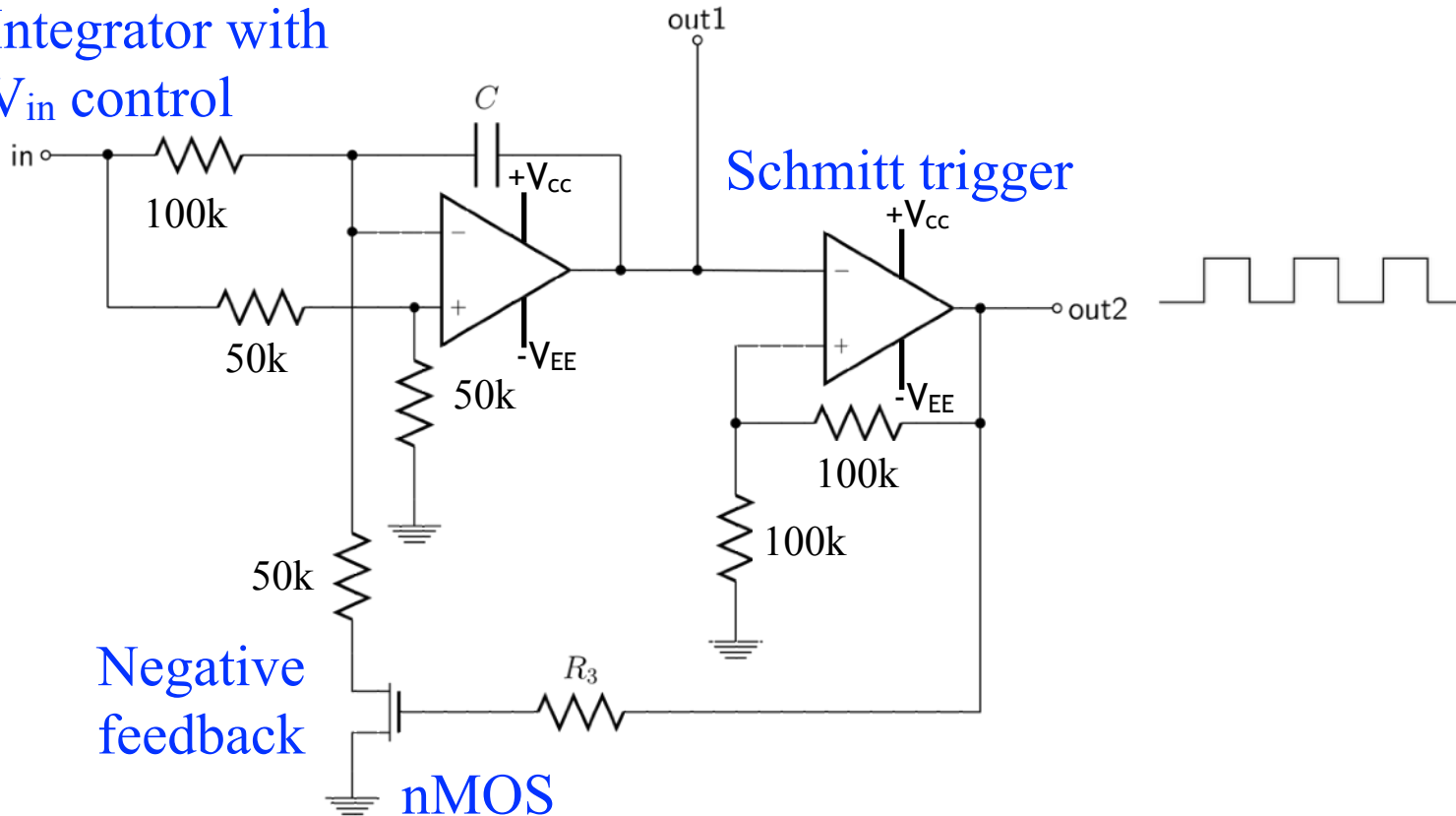
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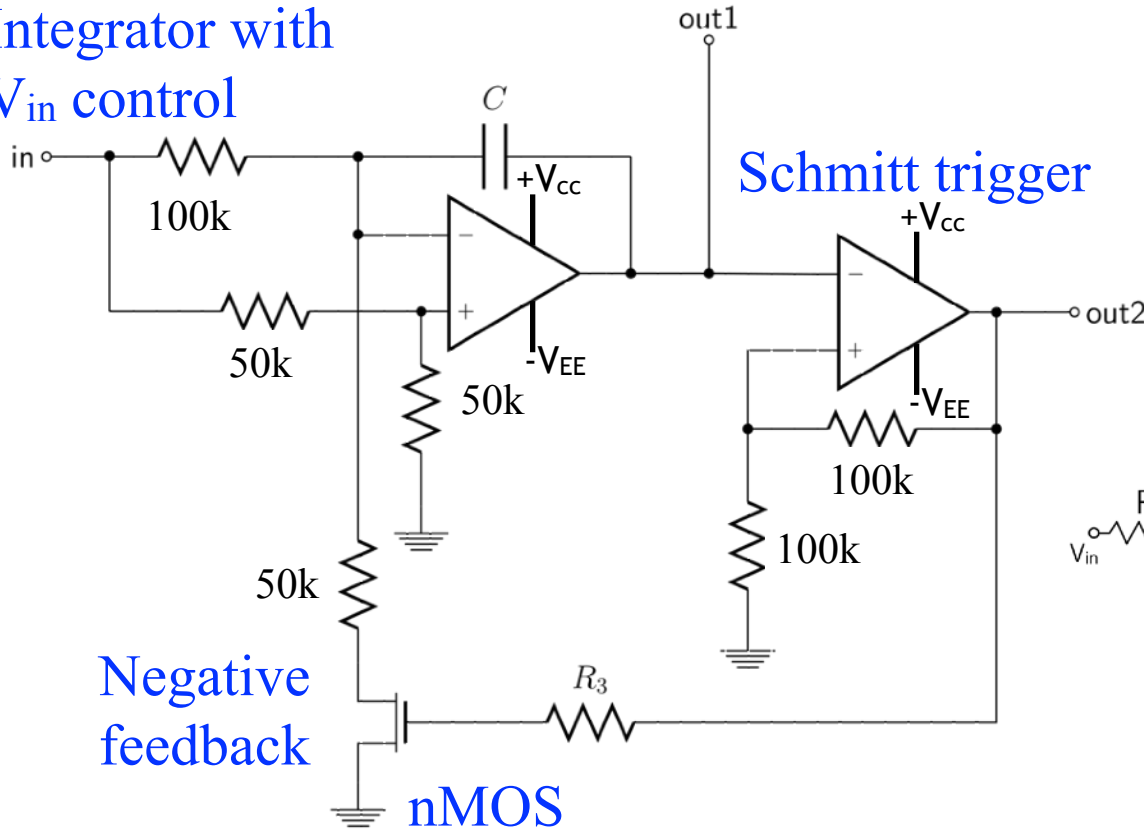


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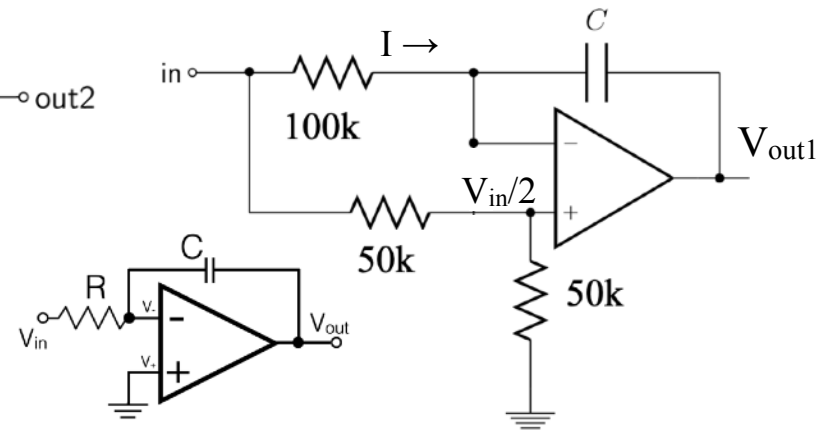


Schmitt trigger

Negative feedback

nMOS

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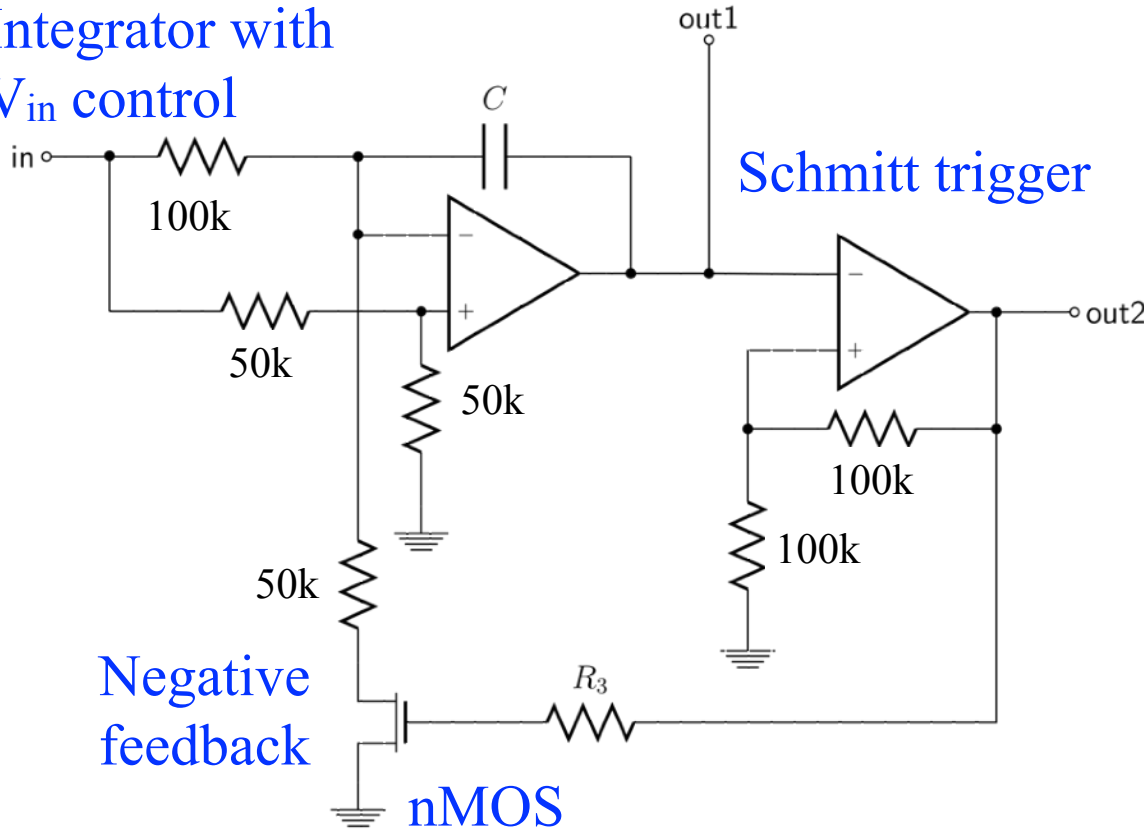
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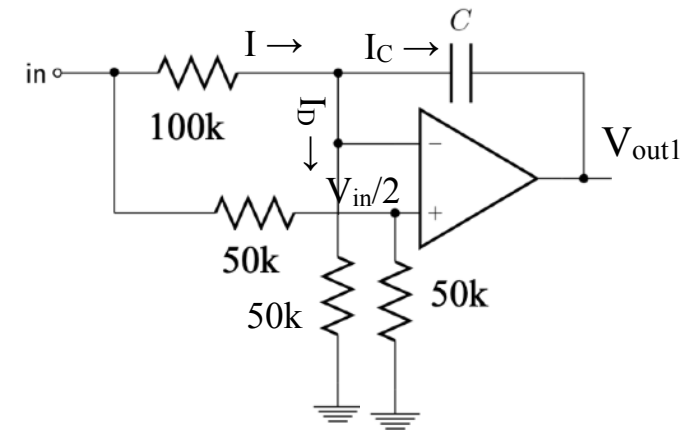
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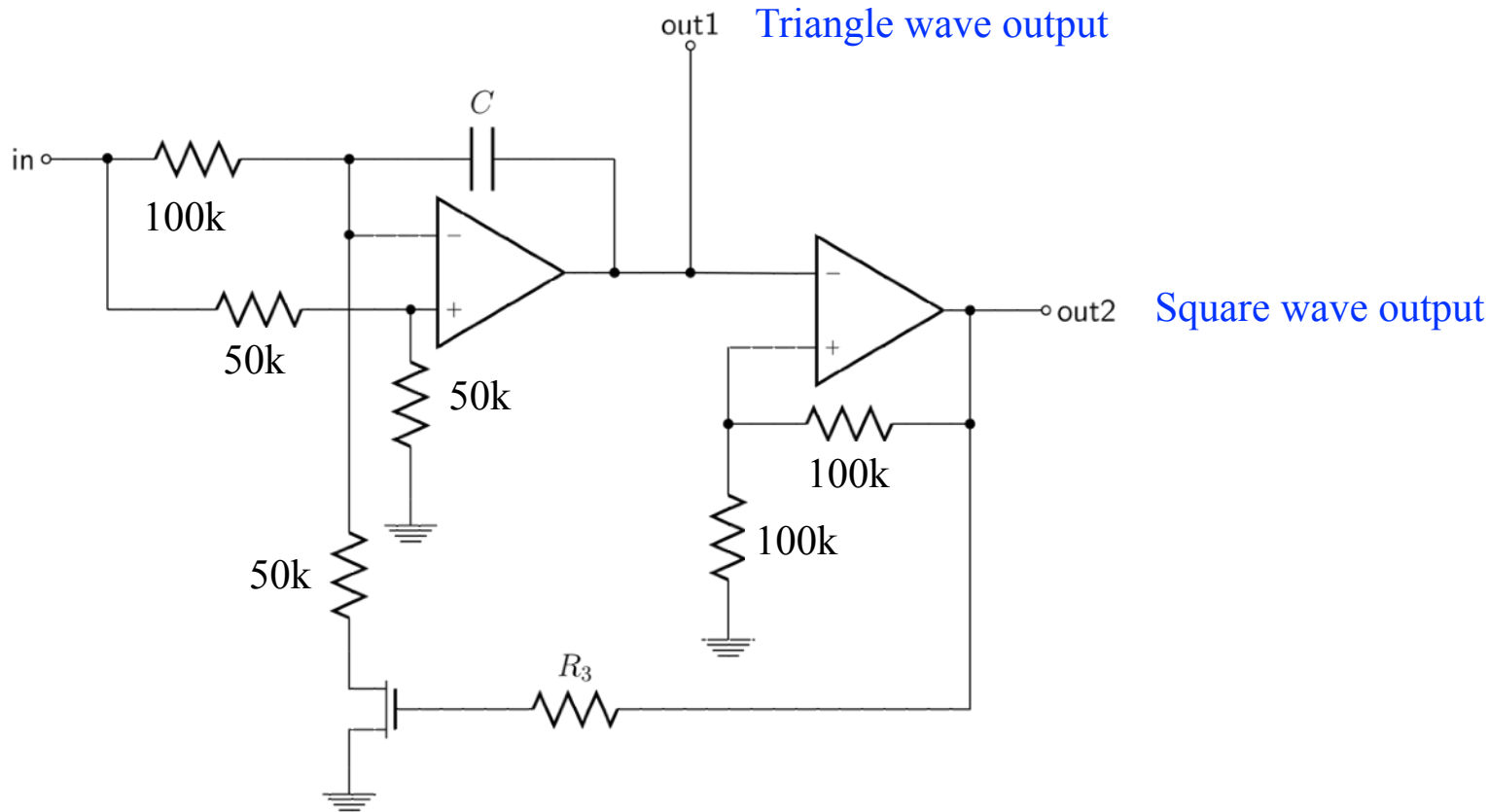
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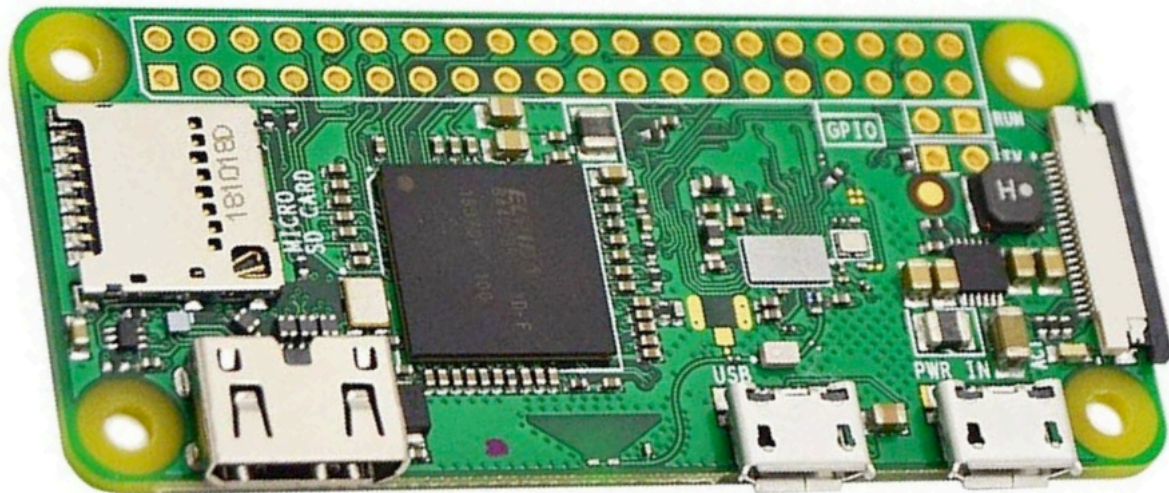
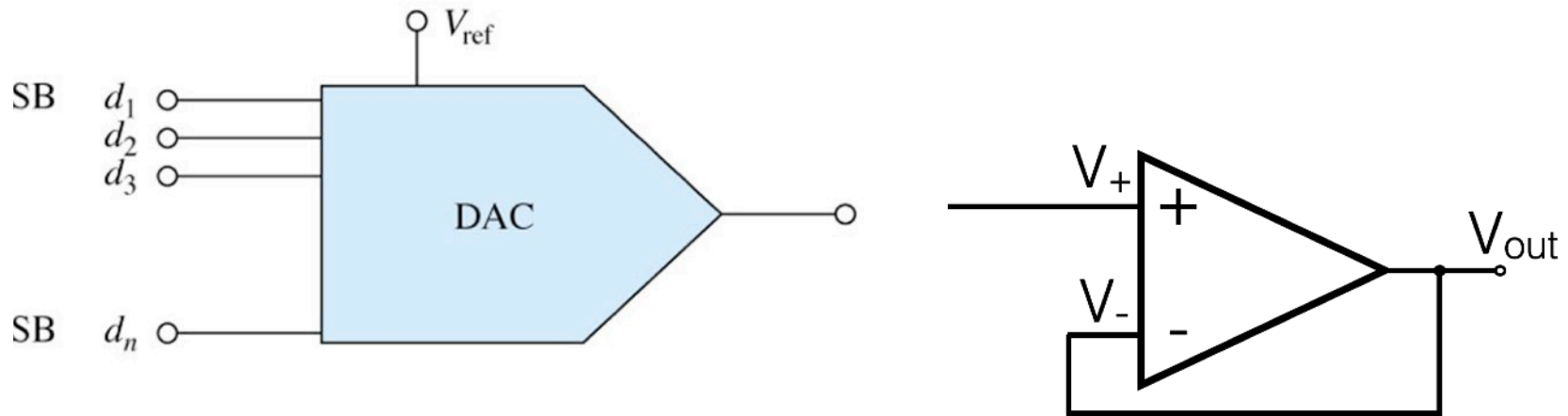
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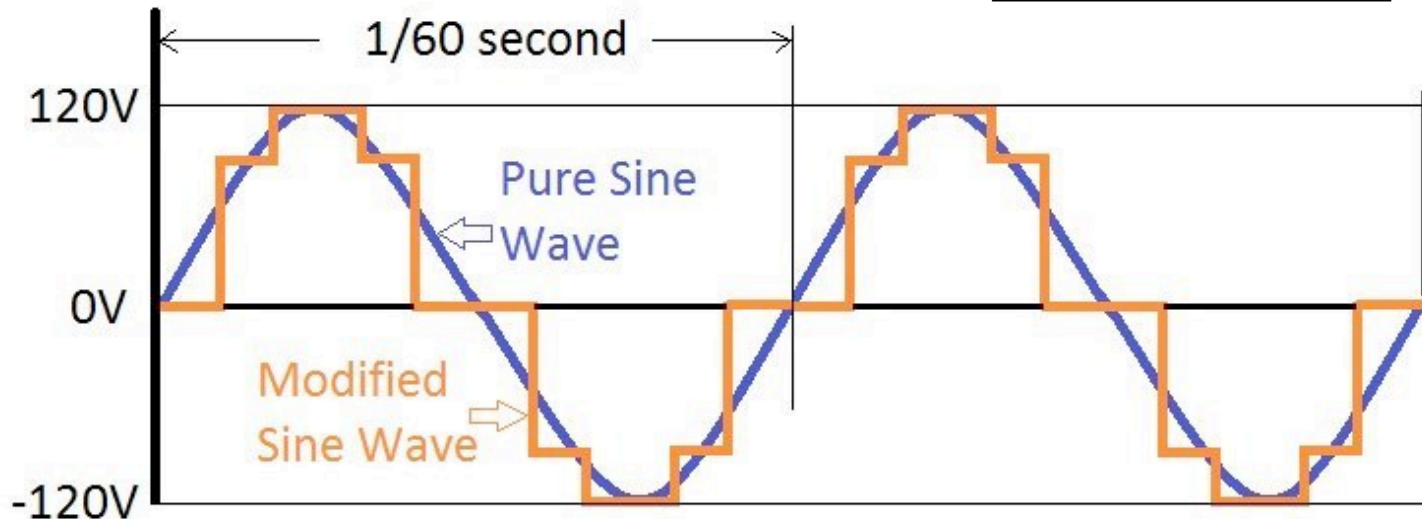
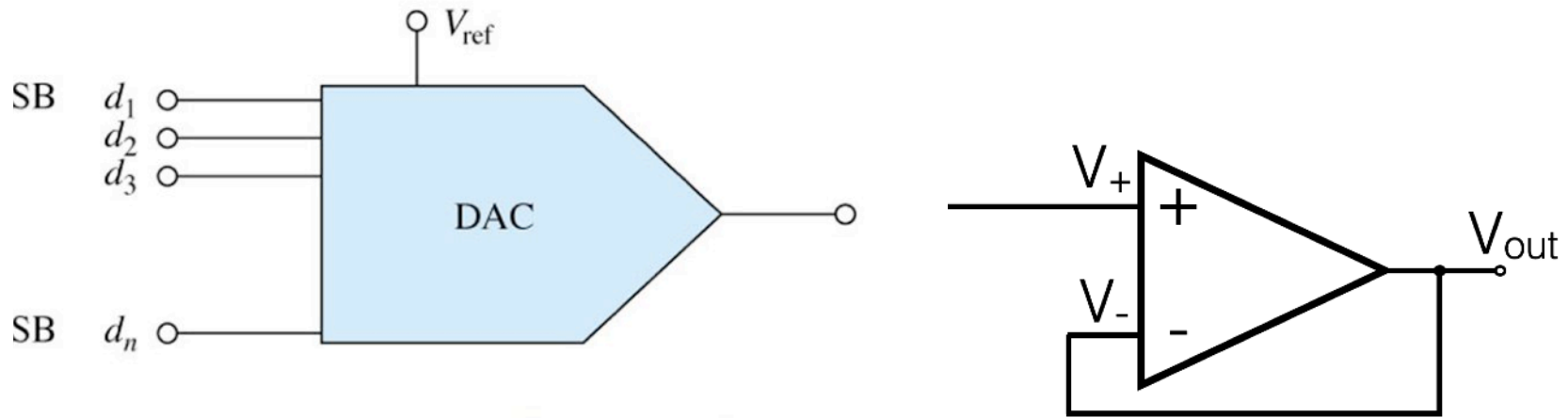
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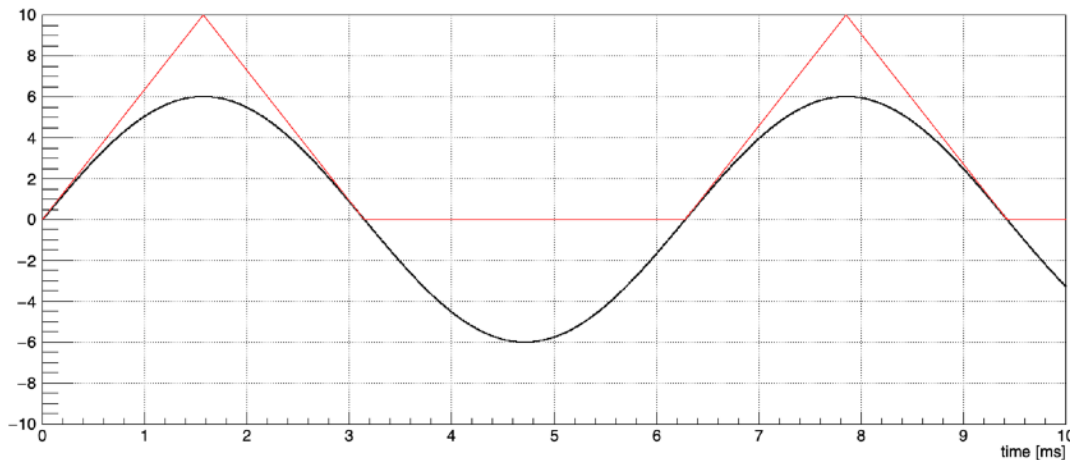
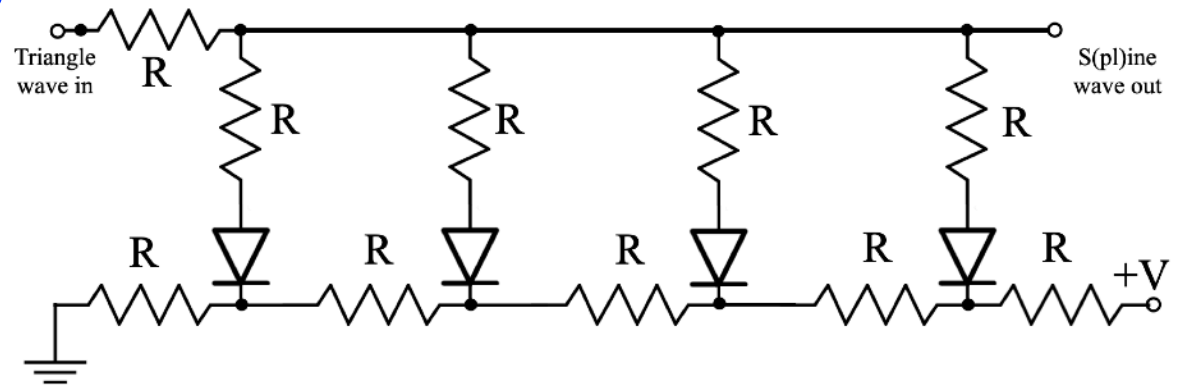
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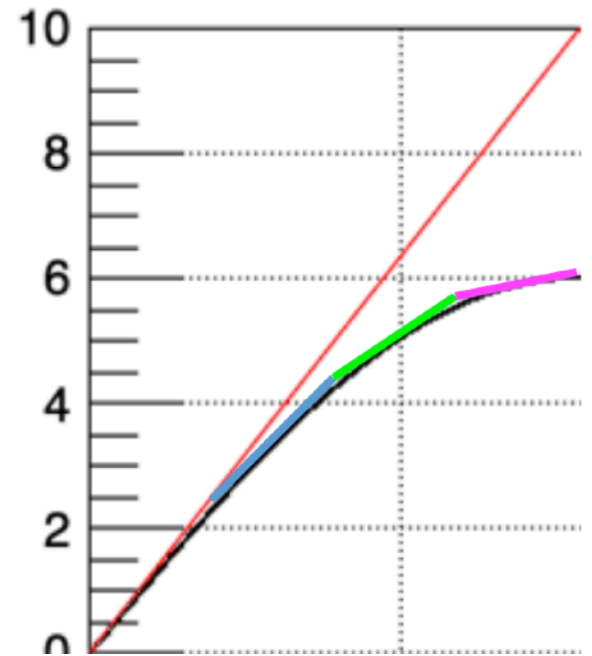
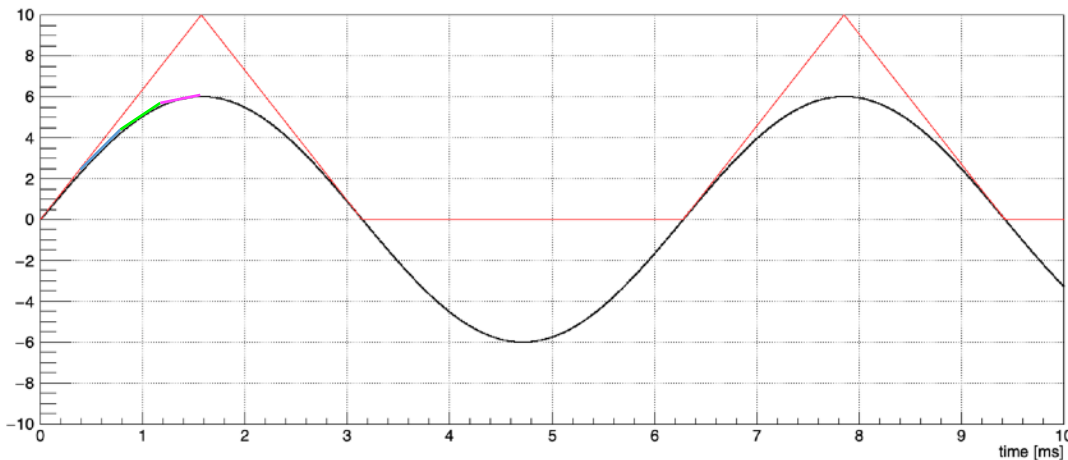
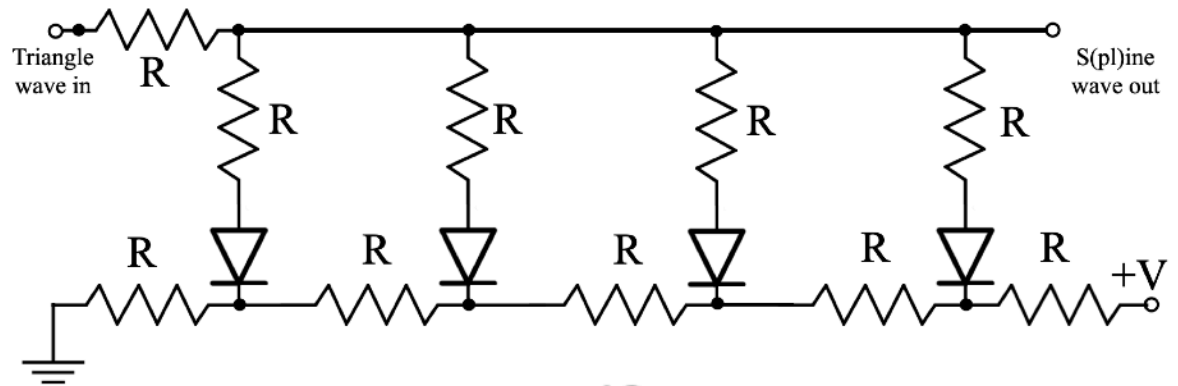
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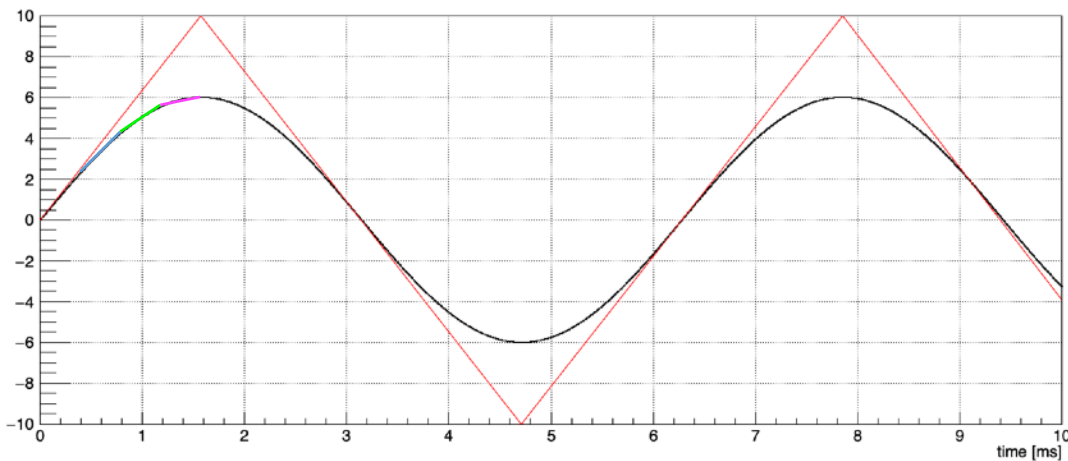
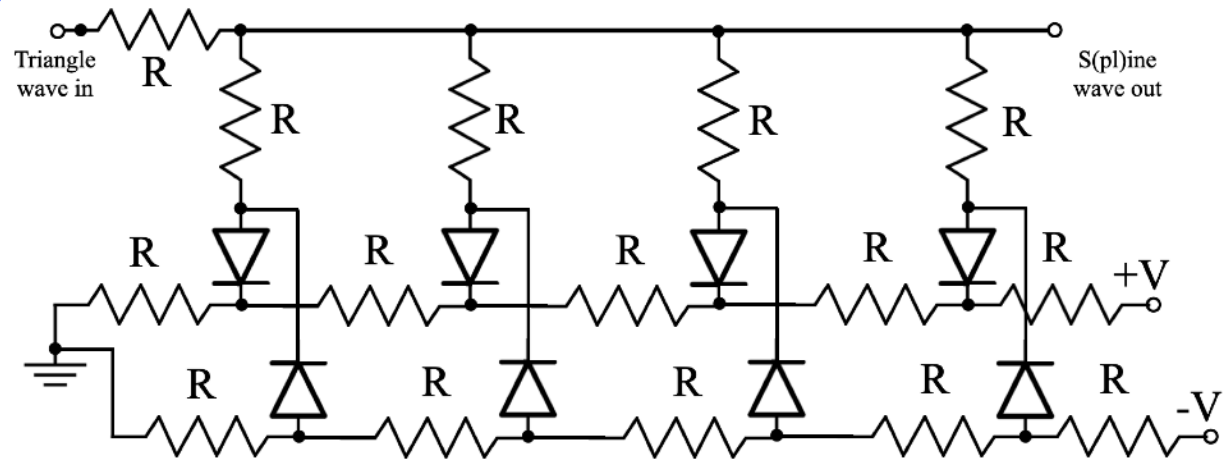
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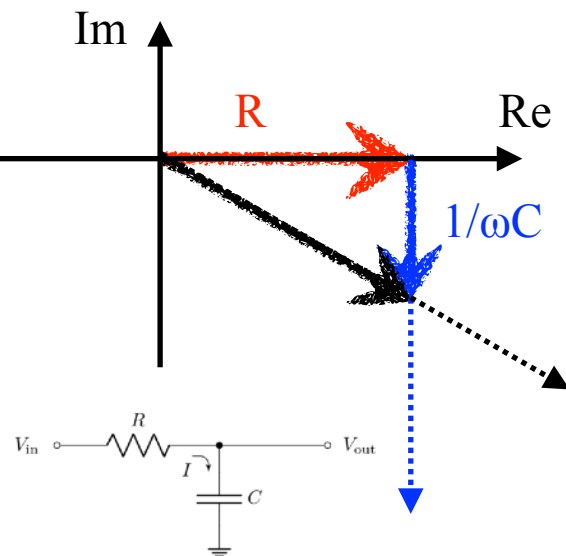
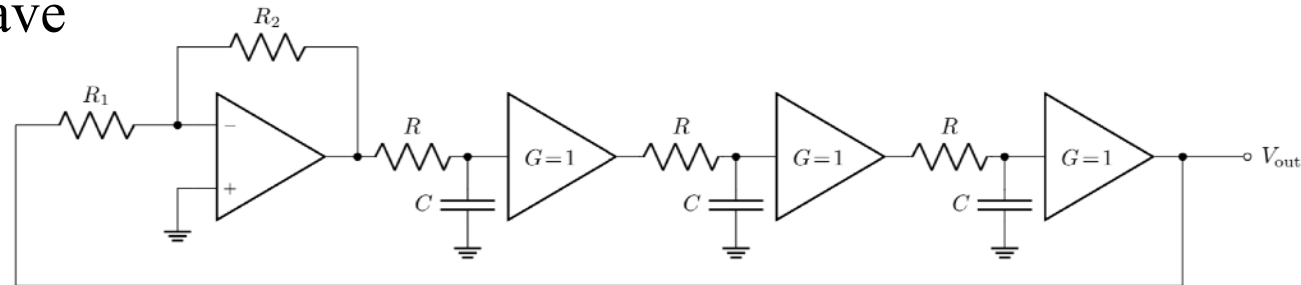
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So net effect is  $180^\circ$  so another inverter.  
Positive feedback at the resonant  $\omega$ .

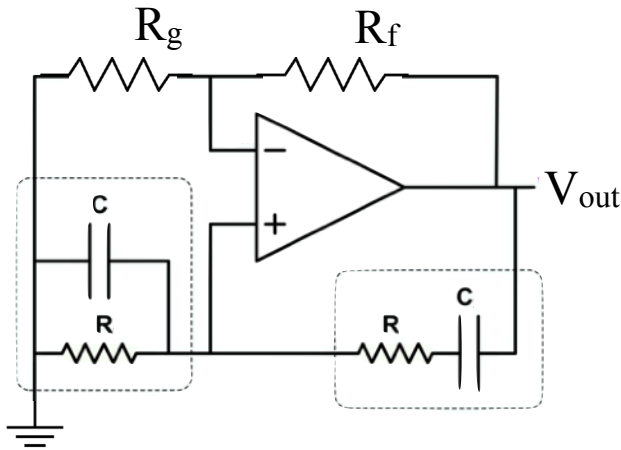
Lose a factor of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega RC)^2}} = 1/2$  at each step.

So  $R_2/R_1 = 8$  to get stable oscillation.

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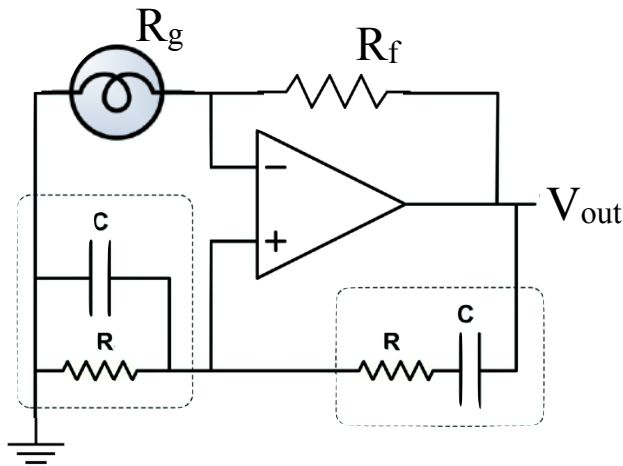
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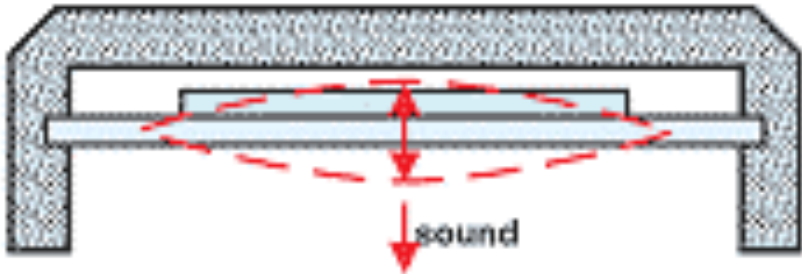
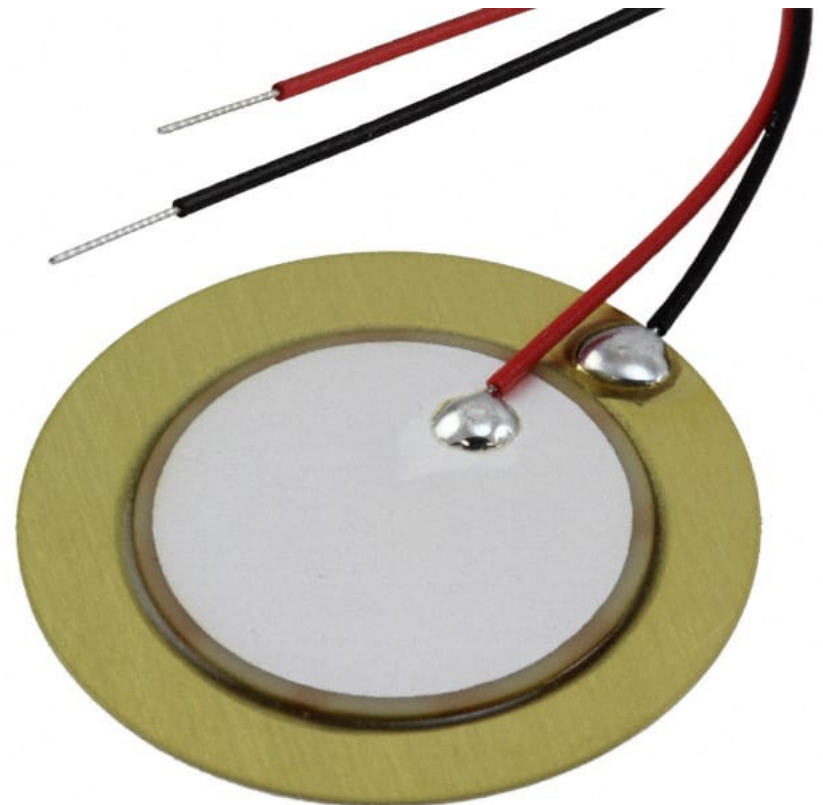
If  $V_{out}$  gets too big, more current flows through  $R_g$ , which increases  $R_g$ , which decreases the gain and hence decreases  $V_{out}$ . Negative feedback.

If  $V_{out}$  gets too small, less current flows through  $R_g$ , which decreases  $R_g$ , which increases the gain and hence increases  $V_{out}$ . Negative feedback.

Equilibrium at just the right gain to oscillate at  $\omega=1/RC$ .

# Piezo-buzzer

The buzzer you will use in lab this week is not a speaker. It is just a mechanical resonator, with thin ceramic and metal disks. The ceramic deforms due to the electric field of an applied voltage. Small ceramic deformations cause larger vibrations in the metal disk. Small ceramic deformations cause larger vibrations in the metal disk.



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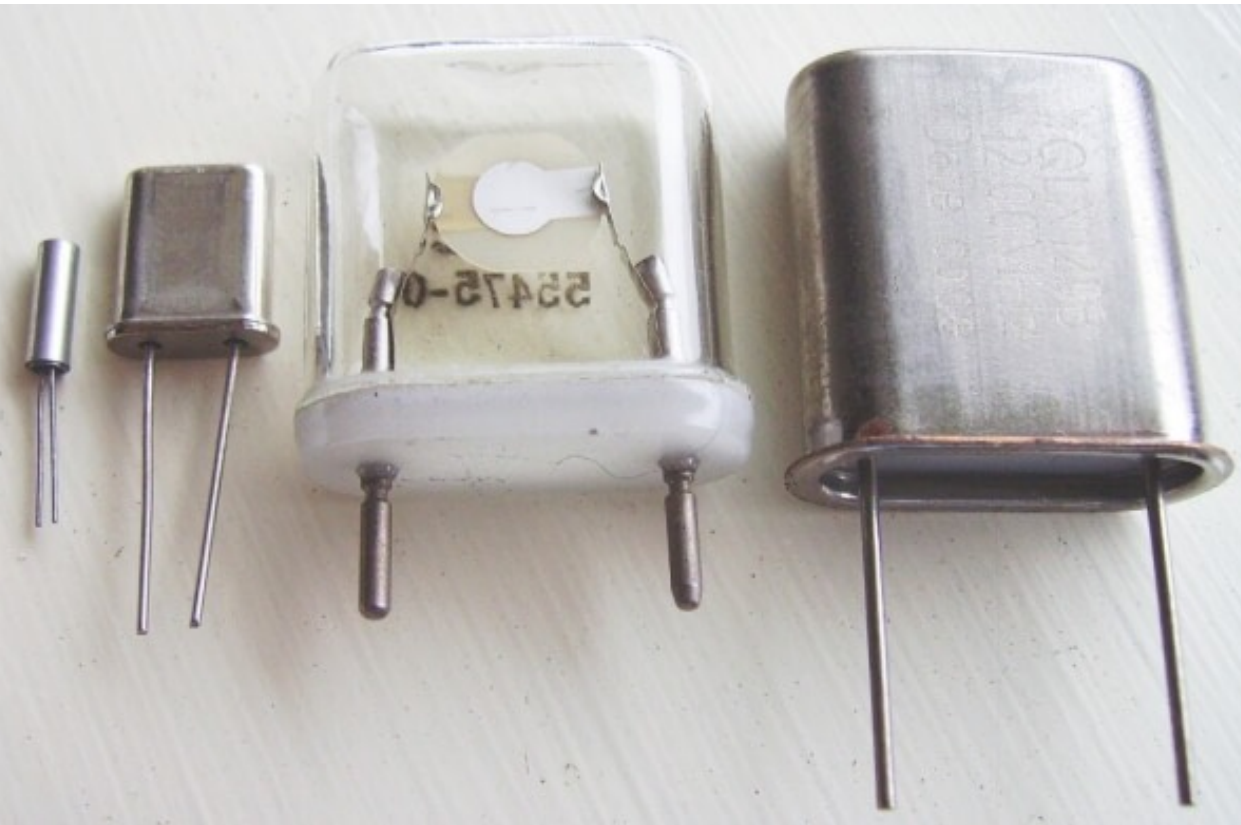




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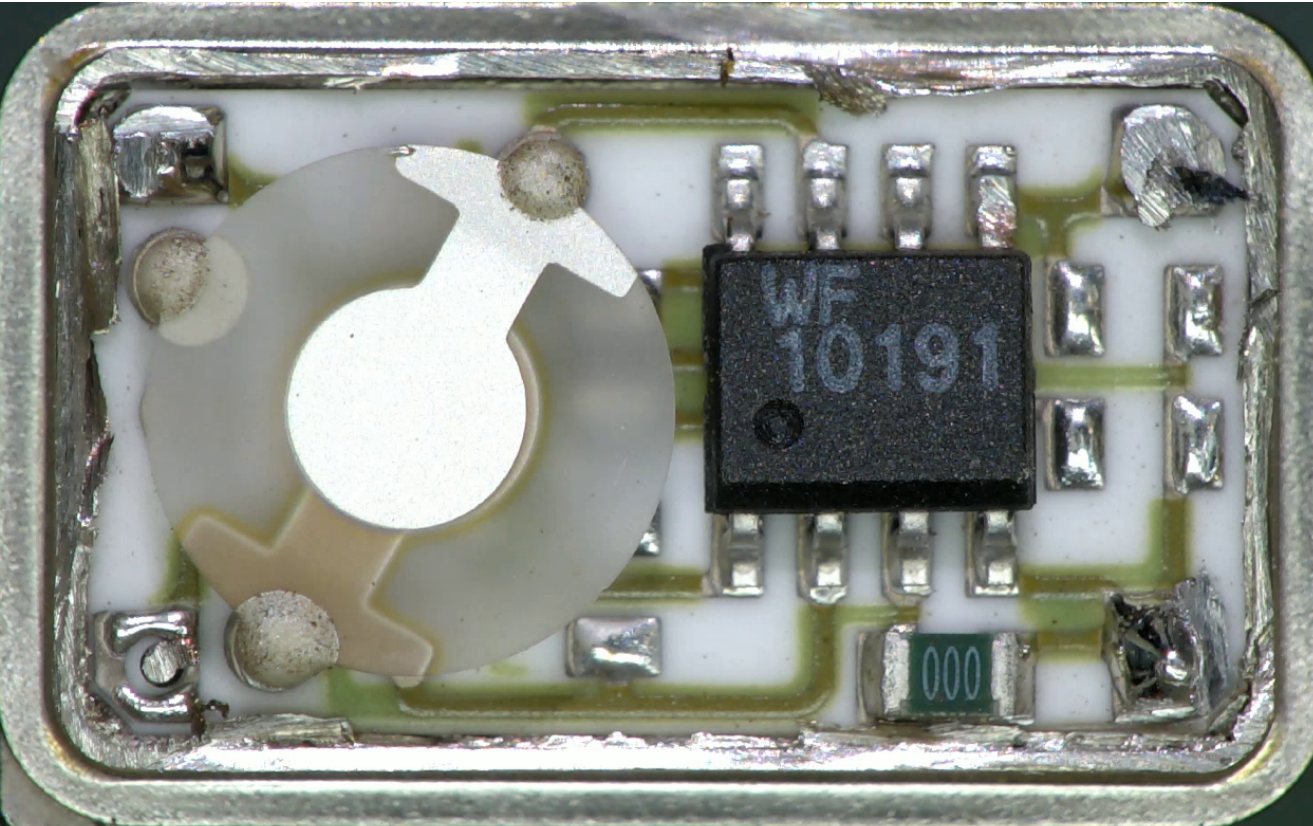
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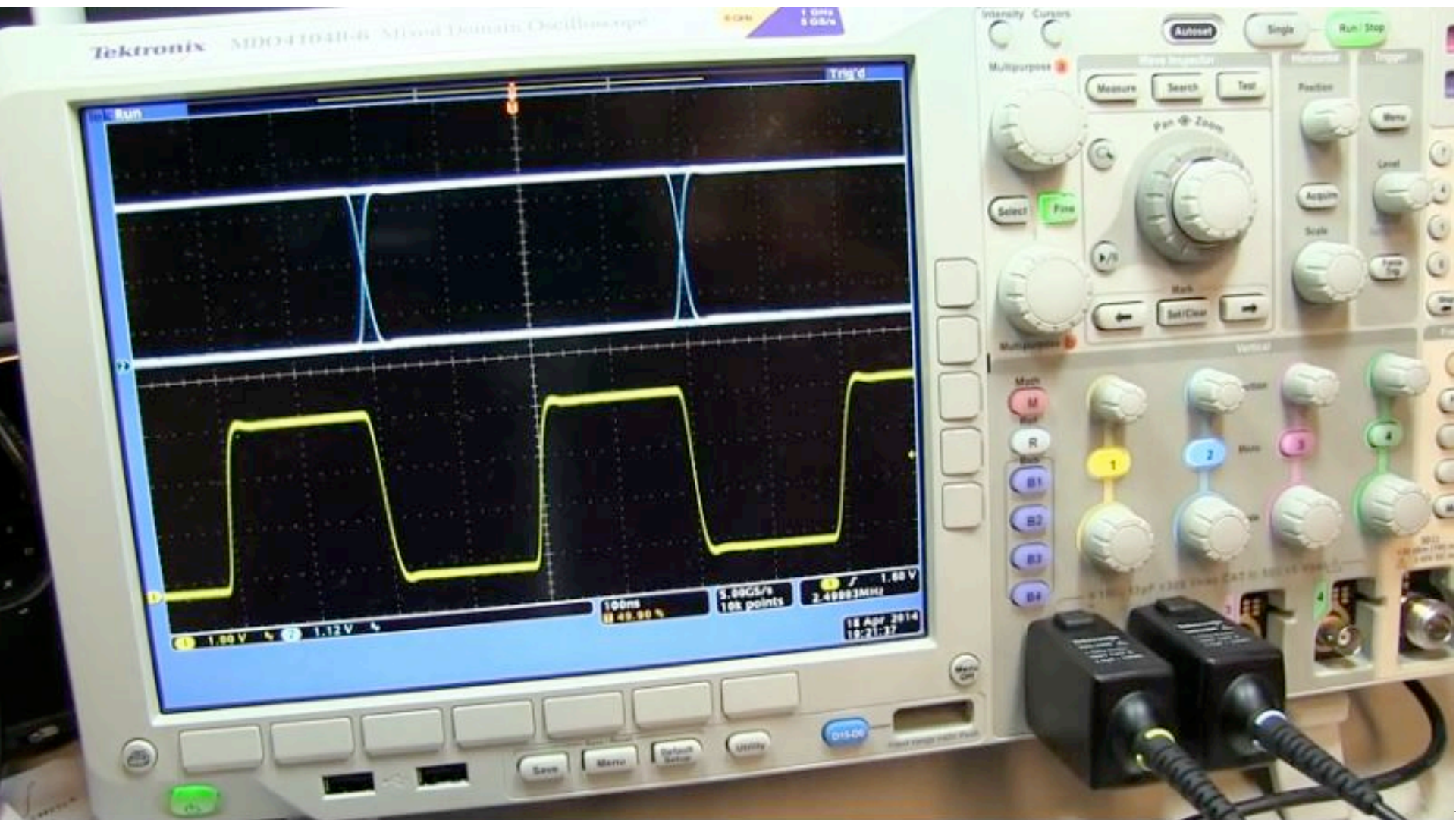
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High Q oscillators so can get low drift. Temperature compensation helps.

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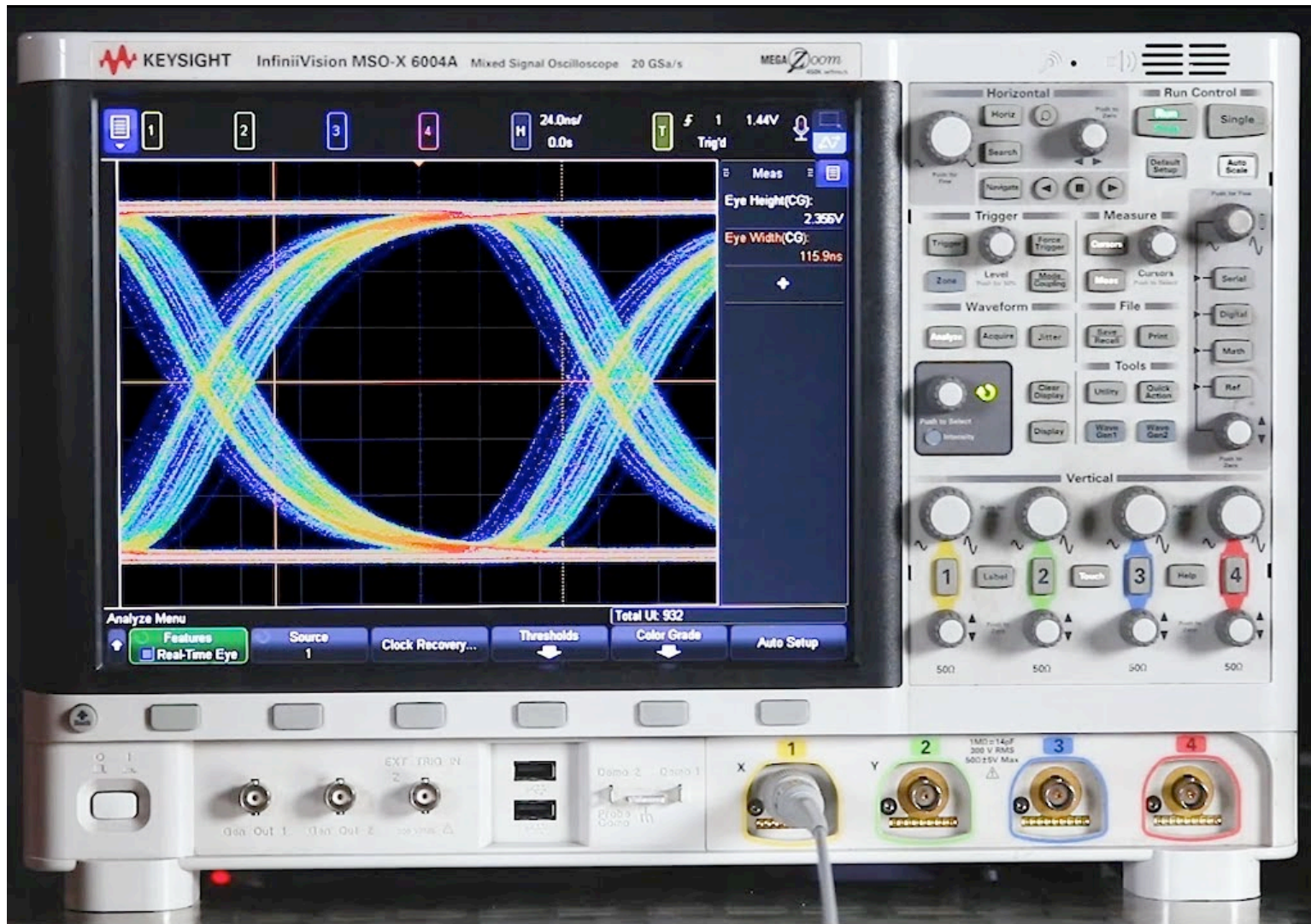
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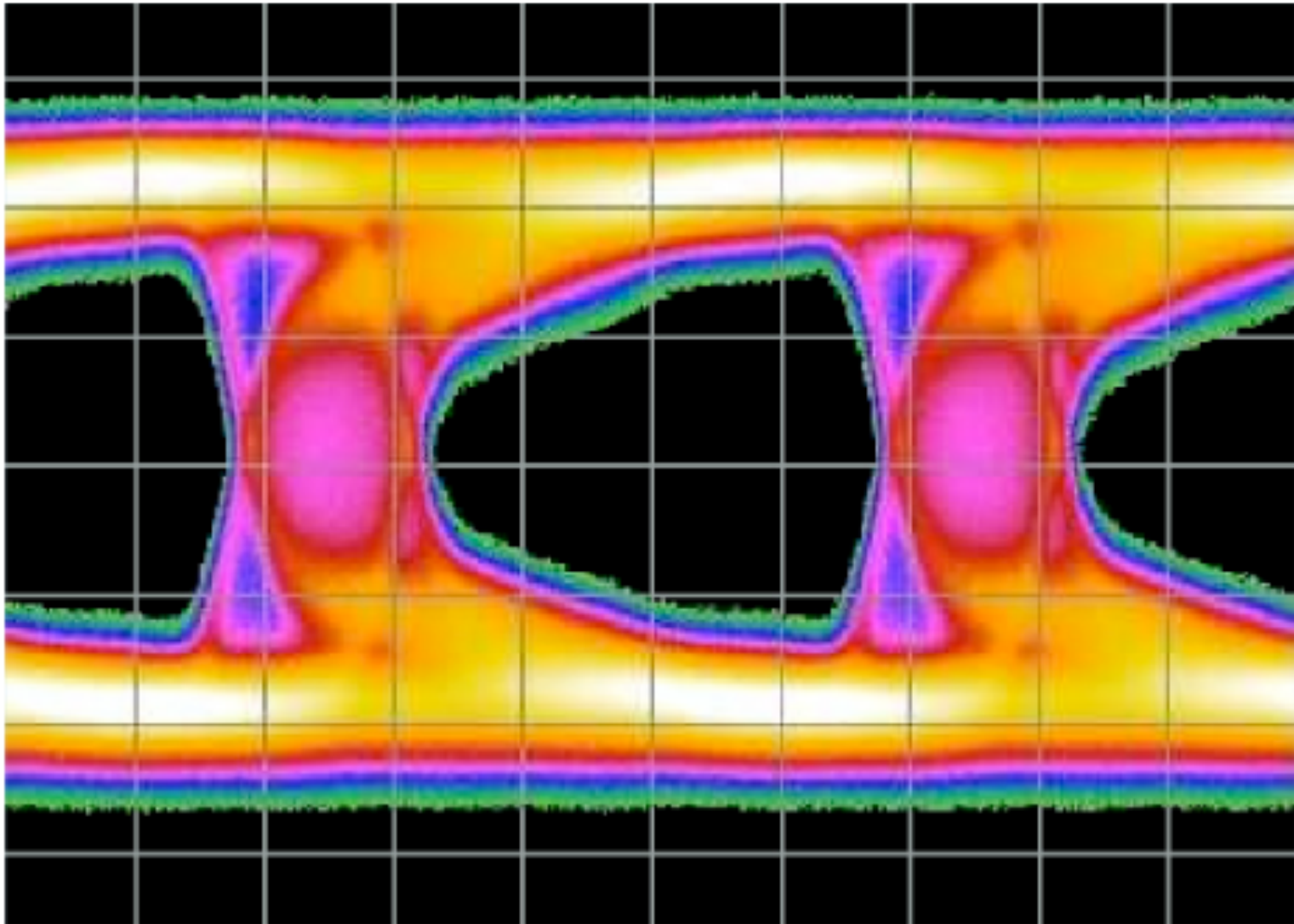
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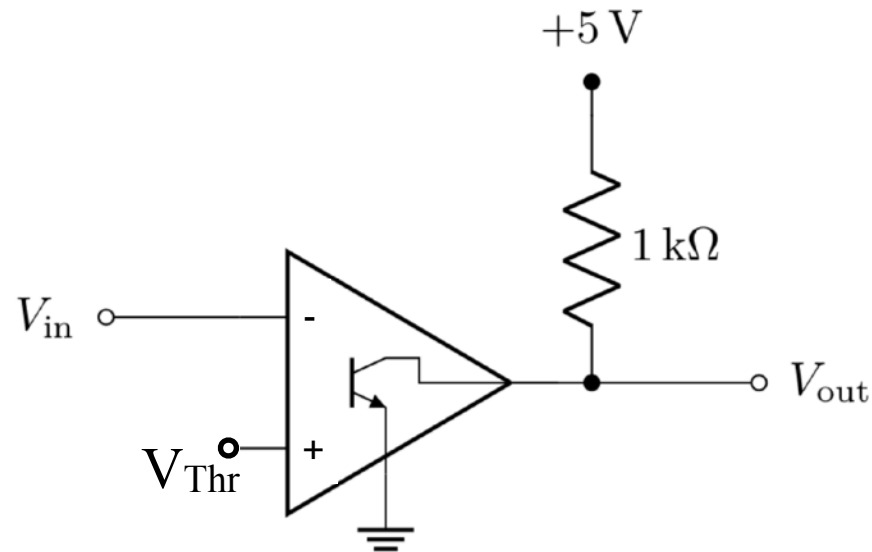
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Simplified Schematic

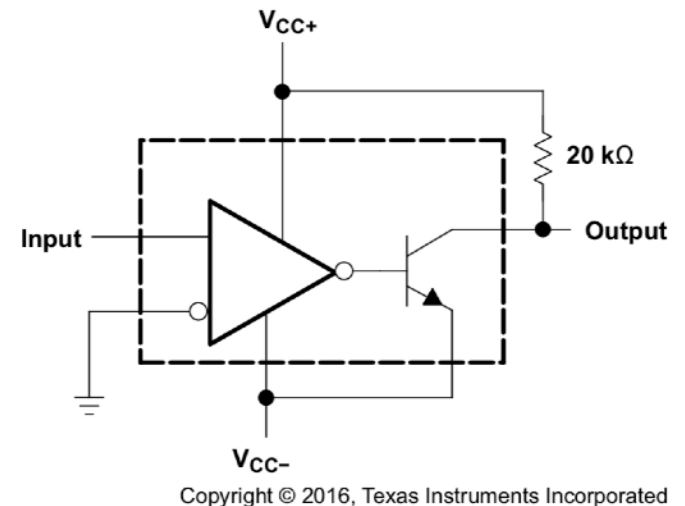
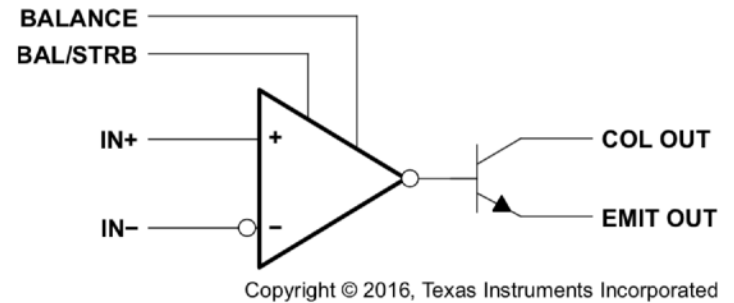
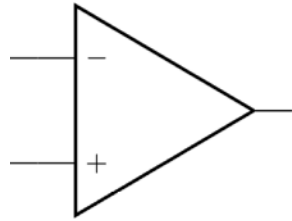


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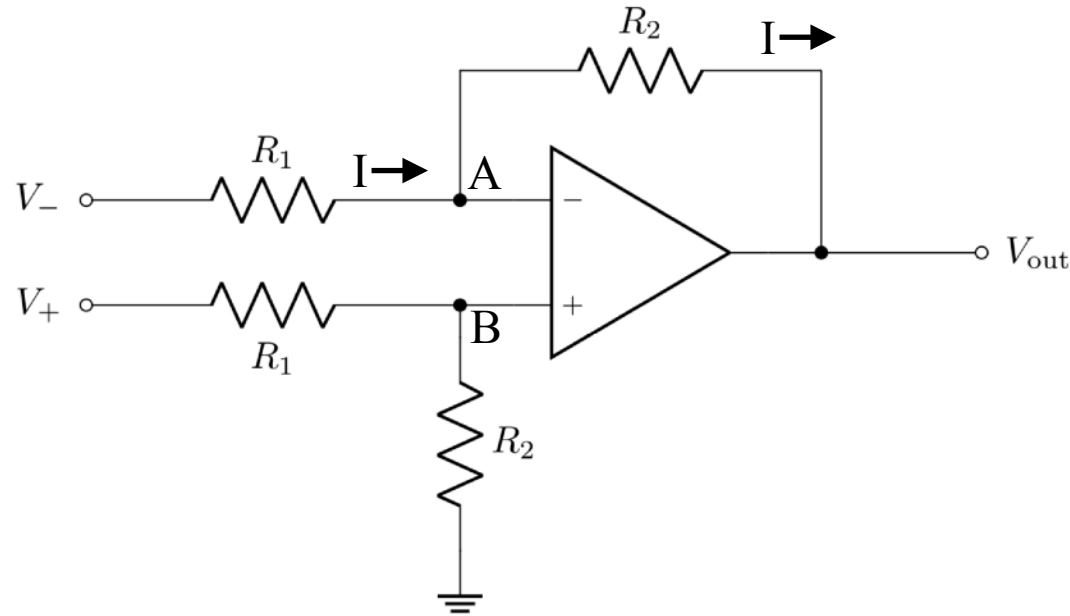
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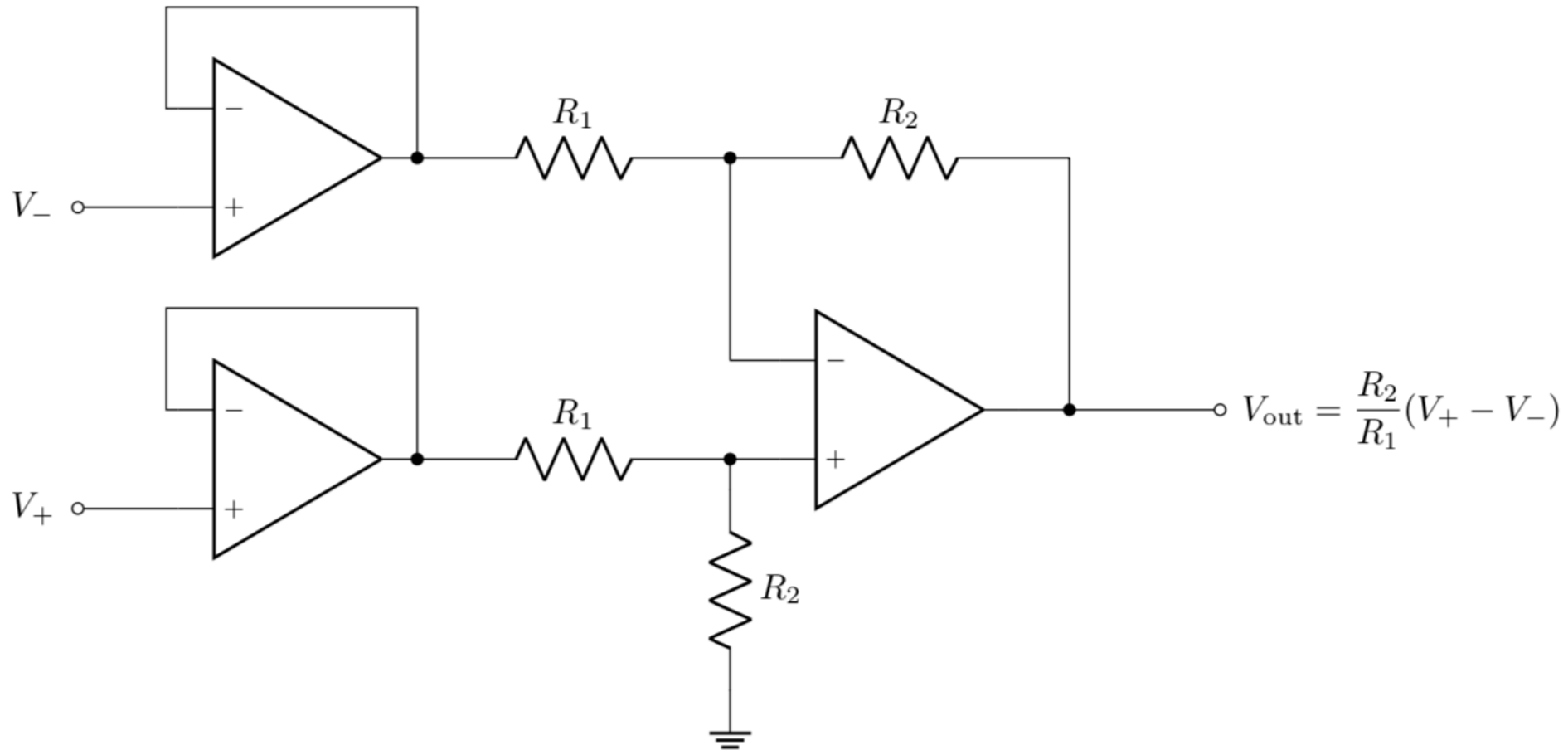
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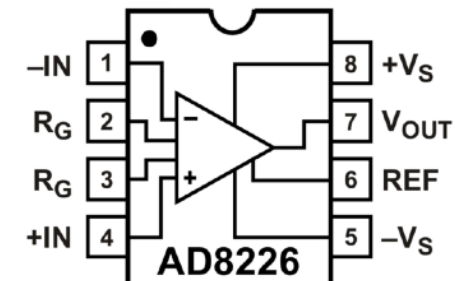
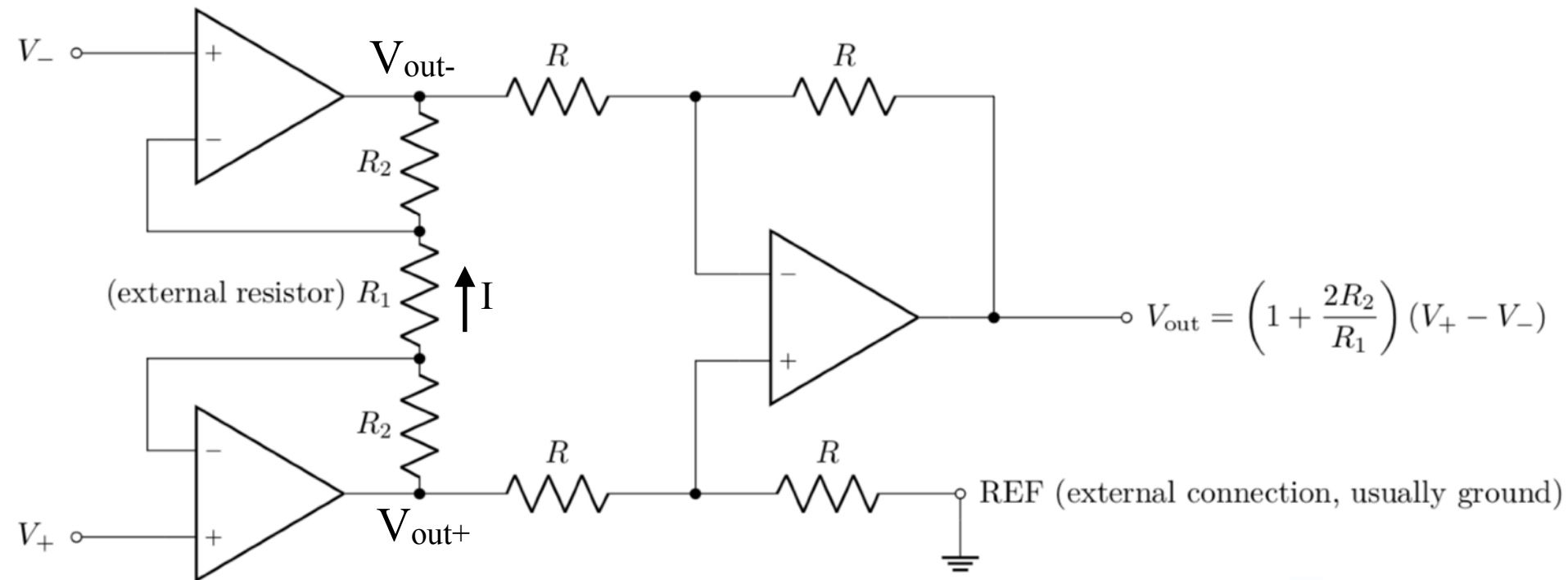
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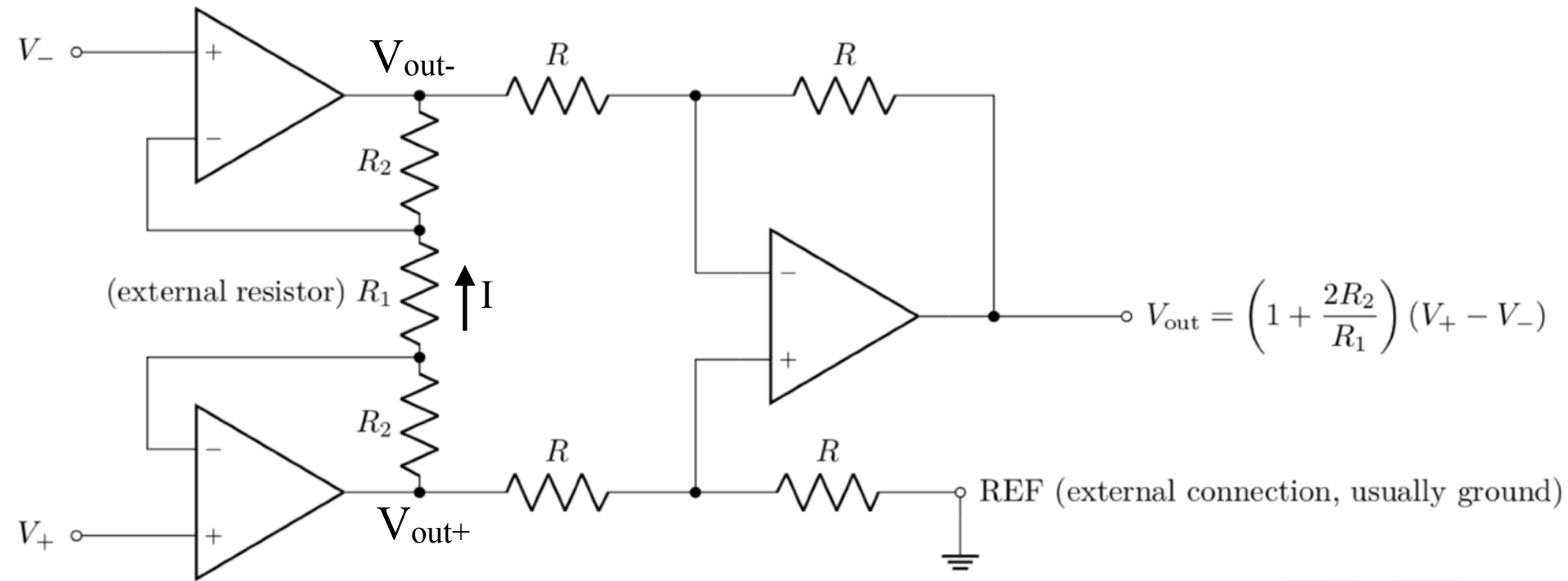
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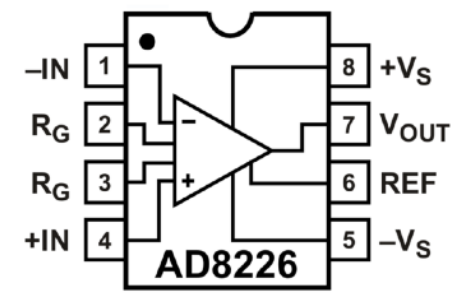
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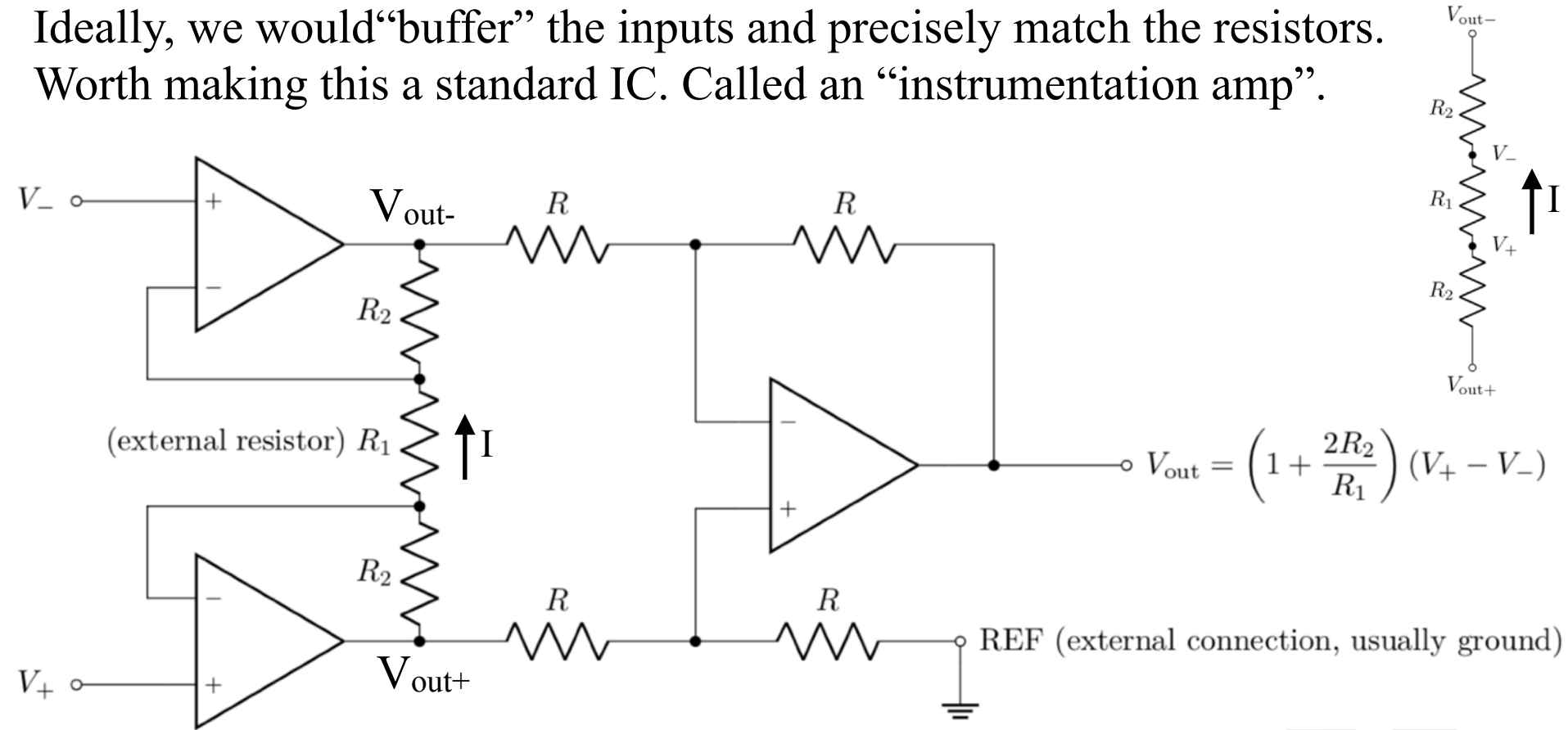
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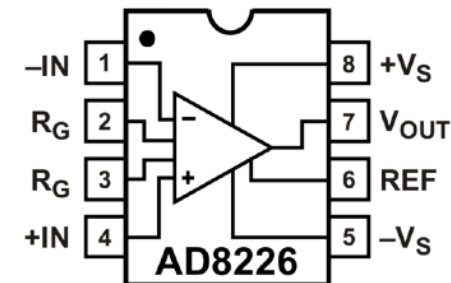


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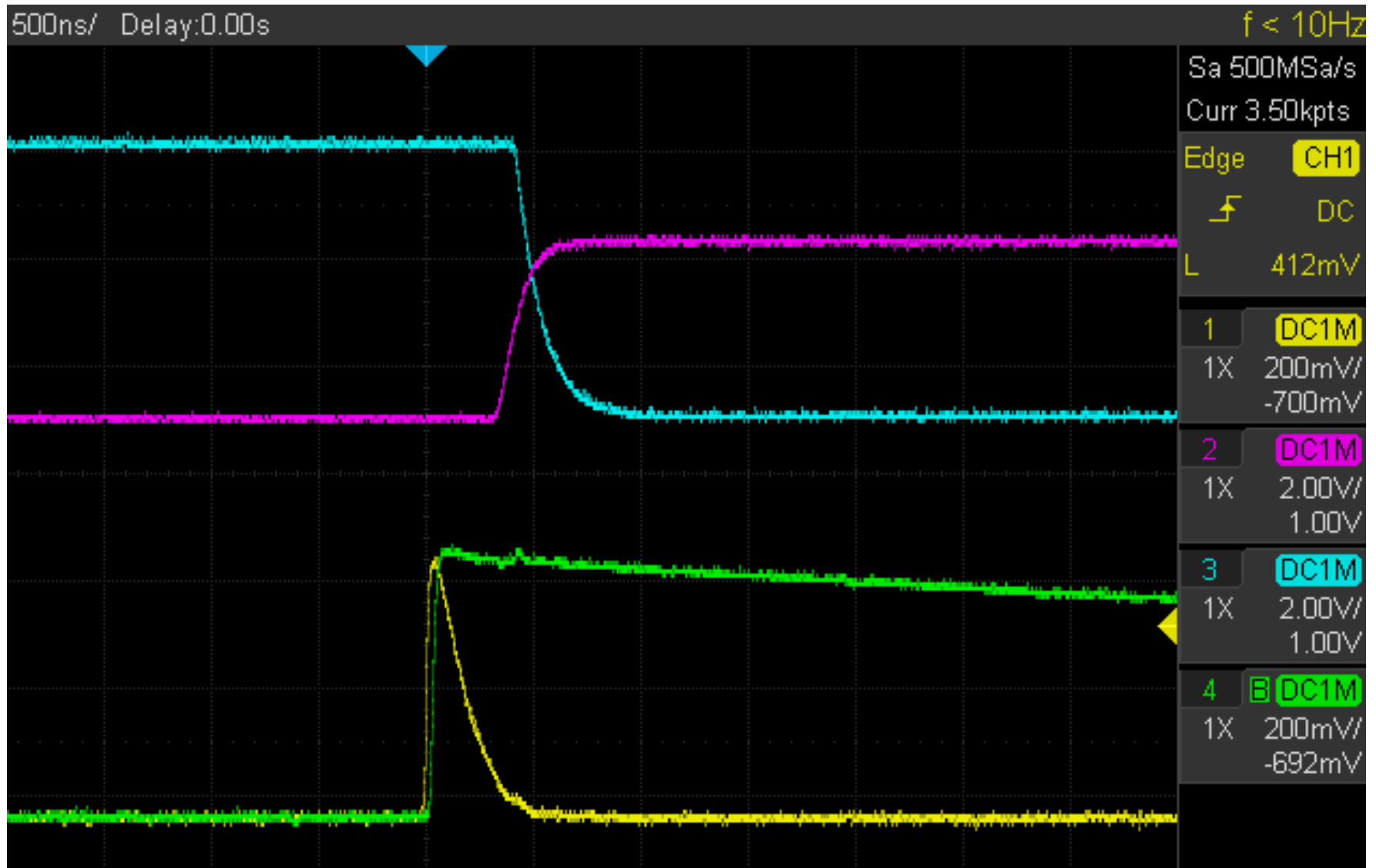
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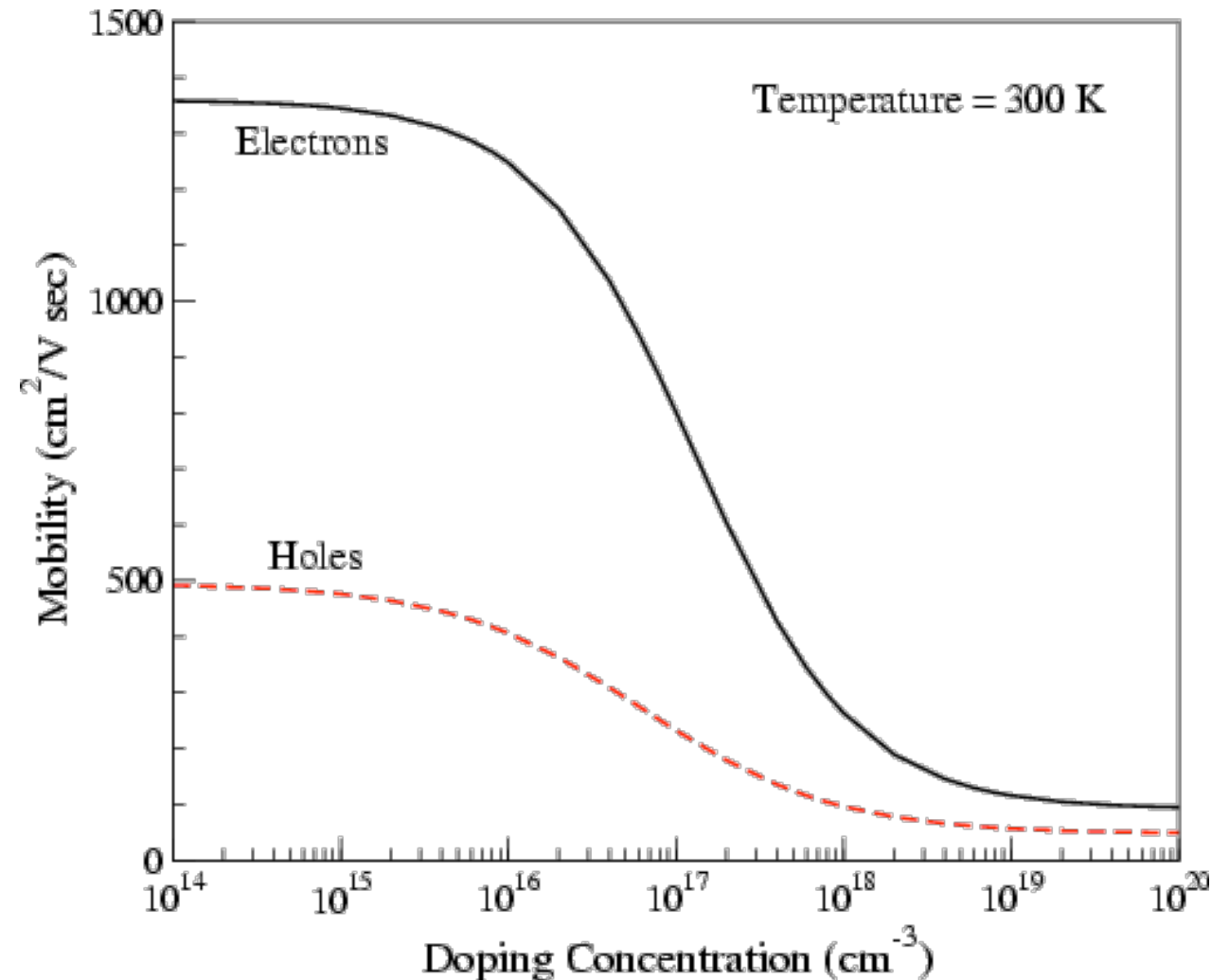
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