

# Answers to exercises

## 1. Measurement systems

### System functions

- 1.1. See page 3.
- 1.2. See page 4.
- 1.3. See page 4.

### System specifications

- 1.4. The factor  $\frac{1}{2}$  refers to half the power transfer; as the power is the square of the voltage or current, half the voltage transfer corresponds to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  of the power transfer.
- 1.5. See pages 10 and 11.
- 1.6.  $v_c = \frac{1}{2}(v_1 + v_2) = 10.2 \text{ V} \rightarrow v_{oc} = 50 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 10.2 = 0.51 \text{ V}$   
 $v_d = v_1 - v_2 = 0.2 \text{ V} \rightarrow v_{oc} = 50 \cdot 0.2 = 10 \text{ V}$   
(obviously, the gain for a common mode voltage  $v_c$  is factor CMRR smaller than that for a differential mode voltage  $v_d$ ; the polarity of  $v_{oc}$  is not known).  
 $v_o = v_{oc} \pm v_{od} = 10 \pm 0.51 \text{ V}$ . Hence,  $9.49 \leq v_o < 10.51 \text{ V}$ .
- 1.7.  $(dV_o/dt)_{\max}$  may not exceed the slew rate.  
(a)  $(dV_o/dt)_{\max} = \omega \hat{V}_o = 2\pi f \cdot 100 \cdot 0.1 = 20\pi f \leq 10 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s} = 10^7 \text{ s} \rightarrow f \leq 10^7/20\pi \approx 160 \text{ kHz}$ .  
(b)  $(dV_o/dt)_{\max} = 2\pi \cdot 10^6 \cdot \hat{V}_o = 2\pi \cdot 10^6 \cdot 100 \cdot \hat{V}_i \leq 10^7 \text{ V/s} \rightarrow \hat{V}_i \leq 10^7/(2\pi \cdot 10^8) \approx 16 \text{ mV}$ .
- 1.8.  $V_{\text{off}}(\max) = V_{\text{off}}(t = 20^\circ) + (\Delta T)_{\max} \cdot (\text{temperature coefficient})$ :  
 $V_{\text{off}}(\max) = 0.5 \text{ mV} + 60 \cdot 5\mu\text{V} = 0.8 \text{ mV}$ .
- 1.9.  $x_o(\text{linear}) = \alpha x_i \rightarrow \text{non-linearity} = x_o - x_o(\text{linear}) = \beta x_i^2$ .  
Relative non-linearity  $= \beta x_i / \alpha = 0.02 x_i$ . The maximum value is  $\pm 0.02 \cdot 10 = \pm 20\%$ .

## 2. Signals

### Periodical signals

2.1. (a)  $x_{pp} = E$ ;  $x_m = |x|_m = \frac{4}{6}E$ ;  $x_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x^2 dt = \frac{1}{6} \int_1^5 E^2 dt = \frac{4}{6}E^2 \rightarrow x_{rms} = E\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$

(b)  $x_{pp} = \frac{3}{2}E$ ;  $x_m = \frac{1}{6} \left[ 3 \cdot \frac{E}{2} - 2E \right] = -\frac{1}{12}E$ ;  $|x|_m = \frac{1}{6} \left[ 3 \cdot \frac{E}{2} + 2E \right] = \frac{7}{12}E$ ;  
 $x_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{6} \left( \int_1^4 \left( \frac{1}{2}E \right)^2 dt + \int_4^6 (-E)^2 dt \right) = \frac{1}{6} \left( 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4}E^2 + 2E^2 \right) = \frac{11}{24}E^2 \rightarrow x_{rms} = E\sqrt{\frac{11}{24}}$ .

(c)  $x_{pp} = E$ ;  $x_m = |x|_m = \frac{1}{6} \int_0^T x dt = \frac{1}{6} \cdot (\text{area } \Delta) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 2E = \frac{1}{3}E$ ;  
 for  $1 \leq t \leq 3$ :  $x = x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}E + \frac{1}{2}Et$ ; for  $3 \leq t \leq 5$ :  $x = x_2 = -\frac{5}{2}E - \frac{1}{2}Et$ ;  
 $x_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{6} \left( \int_1^3 x_1^2 dt + \int_3^5 x_2^2 dt \right) \rightarrow x_{rms} = \frac{1}{3}E\sqrt{2}$ .

2.2. The crest factor is  $x_p/x_{rms}$ ;  $x_p = A$ ;

$$x_{rms} = ((1/T) \int_0^T A^2 dt)^{1/2} = A\sqrt{\tau/T} \rightarrow \text{crest factor} = \sqrt{T/\tau}.$$

2.3.  $\sqrt{T/\tau} \leq 10 \rightarrow \tau \geq T/100$ .

2.4. Sine wave signal:  $x_p/x_{rms} \approx 1.41$ ;  $x_{rms}/|x|_m \approx 1.11$ .

(a)  $V_i = -1.5 \text{ V} \rightarrow V_{ind} = |-1.5| \cdot 1.11 = 1.665 \text{ V}$ .

(b) The input is a sine wave, so the indication is  $V_{ind} = V_{rms} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}\hat{V}_i = 1.06 \text{ V}$ .

(c)  $|V|_m = 1.5 \text{ V} \rightarrow V_{ind} = 1.11 \cdot 1.5 = 1.665 \text{ V}$ .

(d)  $|V|_m = 0.5 \cdot 1.5 \text{ V} \rightarrow V_{ind} = 1.11 \cdot 0.75 = 0.8325 \text{ V}$ .

2.5.  $v_s^2 + v_r^2 = v_{sr}^2$ ,  $v_r^2 = (0.75)^2$ ,  $v_{sr}^2 = (6.51)^2$ , hence  $v_s = \sqrt{(6.51)^2 - (0.75)^2} = 6.47 \text{ V}$ .

2.6. (a)  $a_0 = \text{average value} = \frac{1}{2}E$ ;  $a_n = 0$ . This applies to all odd functions.

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \sin n\omega_0 t dt, \quad x(t) = Et/T \text{ for } 0 < t < T;$$

$$\int_0^T t \sin n\omega_0 t dt = \left[ t \cdot \frac{-1}{n\omega_0} \cos n\omega_0 t \right]_0^T + \int_0^T \frac{1}{n\omega_0} \cos n\omega_0 t dt = \frac{-T}{n\omega_0} \cos n\omega_0 T + 0 = \frac{-T}{n\omega_0}$$

(because  $n\omega_0 T = 2\pi n$ ). So:  $b_n = \frac{2E}{T^2} \cdot \frac{-T}{n\omega_0} = \frac{-E}{n\pi}$ , hence

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2}E - \frac{E}{\pi} \left( \sin \omega t + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\omega t + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3\omega t + \dots \right).$$

(b) T equals half the period of the sine wave:  $x(t) = E \sin(\pi t/T)$  for  $0 < t < T$ .

$$\omega_0 = 2\pi/T = 2\omega.$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) dt = \frac{E}{T} \int_0^T \sin \frac{\pi}{T} t dt = \frac{E}{T} \left[ -\frac{T}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi}{T} t \right]_0^T = \frac{2E}{\pi}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \cos n\omega_0 t dt = \frac{2E}{T} \int_0^T \sin \frac{\pi}{T} t \cos \frac{2\pi n t}{T} dt \\ &= \frac{2E}{T} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \left( \sin \frac{\pi}{T} (1+2n)t + \sin \frac{\pi}{T} (1-2n)t \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{E}{T} \left[ -\frac{\cos(\pi/T)(1+2n)t}{(\pi/T)(1+2n)} - \frac{\cos(\pi/T)(1-2n)t}{(\pi/T)(1-2n)} \right]_0^T \\
&= -\frac{E}{\pi} \left( \frac{\cos(1+2n)\pi - 1}{1+2n} + \frac{\cos(1-2n)\pi - 1}{1-2n} \right) \\
&= -\frac{E}{\pi} \left( \frac{-2}{1+2n} + \frac{-2}{1-2n} \right) = \frac{4E}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1-4n^2}, \text{ for } n > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \sin n\omega_0 t dt = \frac{2E}{T} \int_0^T \sin \frac{\pi}{T} t \sin \frac{2\pi n}{T} t dt,$$

from which it follows that:  $b_n = 0$  (for all  $n$ ). This is true in the case of all even functions.

$$x(t) = \frac{2E}{\pi} - \frac{4E}{\pi} \left( \frac{1}{3} \cos 2\omega t + \frac{1}{15} \cos 4\omega t + \frac{1}{35} \cos 6\omega t + \dots \right), \quad (n\omega_0 = 2n\omega).$$

- 2.7. The spectral noise power is  $P = 4kT = 4 \cdot 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 290 = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-20} \text{ W/Hz}$ . The bandwidth  $B = 10 \text{ kHz}$ , so  $P \cdot B = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ W}$ . This equals  $V^2/R$ , with  $V$  the rms value of the noise voltage:  $V = \sqrt{P \cdot B \cdot R} = \sqrt{1.6 \cdot 10^{-16} \cdot 10^4} = 1.26 \mu\text{V}$ .

#### Aperiodical signals

$$\begin{aligned}
2.8. \quad a_0 &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) dt = \frac{E}{T} \int_0^{T/2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{T} t dt = \frac{E}{\pi}. \\
a_n &= \frac{2}{T} \int_0^{T/2} E \sin \frac{2\pi}{T} t \cos \frac{2\pi n}{T} t dt \\
&= \frac{2E}{T} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{T/2} \left( \sin \frac{2\pi}{T} (1+n)t + \sin \frac{2\pi}{T} (1-n)t \right) dt \\
&= \frac{E}{T} \left[ -\frac{\cos(2\pi/T)(1+n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1+n)} - \frac{\cos(2\pi/T)(1-n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1-n)} \right]_0^{T/2} \\
&= -\frac{E}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\cos \pi(1+n) - 1}{1+n} + \frac{\cos \pi(1-n) - 1}{1-n} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

With  $\cos \pi(1 \pm n) = -\cos n\pi$  this can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}
a_n &= \frac{E}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{1+n} + \frac{1}{1-n} \right) (\cos n\pi + 1) = \frac{E}{\pi} \frac{(\cos n\pi + 1)}{1-n^2}, \text{ for } n > 0, n \neq 1. \\
b_n &= \frac{2}{T} \int_0^{T/2} E \sin \frac{2\pi}{T} t \sin \frac{2\pi n}{T} t dt = -\frac{2}{T} \cdot \frac{E}{2} \int_0^{T/2} \left( \cos \frac{2\pi}{T} (1+n)t - \cos \frac{2\pi}{T} (1-n)t \right) dt \\
&= -\frac{E}{T} \left[ \frac{\sin(2\pi/T)(1+n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1+n)} - \frac{\sin(2\pi/T)(1-n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1-n)} \right]_0^{T/2}
\end{aligned}$$

Which is zero for all  $n, n \neq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
b_1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} \frac{E}{T} \left[ \frac{\sin(2\pi/T)(1-n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1-n)} - \frac{\sin(2\pi/T)(1+n)t}{(2\pi/T)(1+n)} \right]_0^{T/2} \\
&= \frac{E}{T} \left[ t - \frac{\sin(4\pi/T)t}{(4\pi/T)} \right]_0^{T/2} = \frac{1}{2} E.
\end{aligned}$$

From a similar calculation it follows that  $a_1 = 0$ .

With equations (2.8) we find:

$$|C_0| = \frac{E}{2\pi}; |C_1| = \frac{E}{4}; |C_n| = \frac{E}{2\pi} \frac{\cos \pi n + 1}{1-n^2} \text{ and } \arg C_n = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

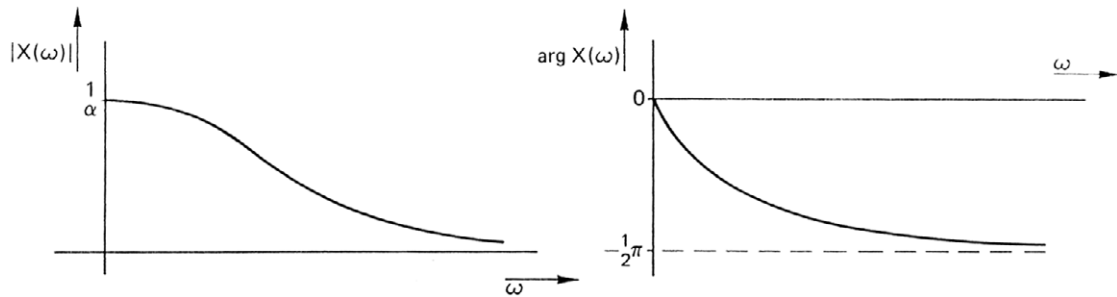
2.9. (a) Apply equation (2.15):

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} dt = \frac{1}{\alpha}, \text{ hence finite.}$$

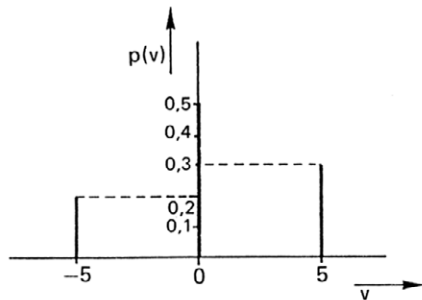
(b) From equation (2.10a) it follows that:

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\alpha + j\omega)t} dt = \frac{1}{\alpha + j\omega}.$$

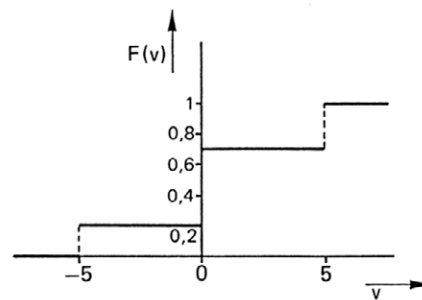
$$(c) |X(\omega)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}}; \arg X(\omega) = -\tan^{-1} \frac{\omega}{\alpha}.$$



2.10.



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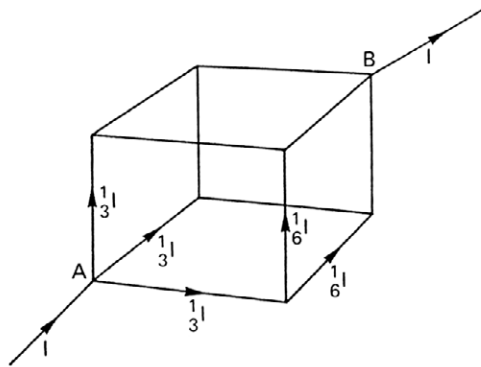
distribution function

$$\begin{aligned} 2.11. \quad E(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} yp(y)dy = \int_0^{\infty} xp(x)dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} dx^2 = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}}. \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Networks

#### Electric networks

- 3.1. a.  $R_2$  in series with  $R_3$ :  $800 \Omega$ ;  $R_1$  in parallel with  $800 \Omega$ :  $5600//800 = 1/(1/5600 + 1/800) = 700 \Omega$ , corresponding to a single resistance of  $700 \Omega$ .  
 b. Similar to (a): single selfinductance of  $3 \text{ mH}$ .  
 c.  $C_2$  in series with  $C_3$  is equivalent to a capacitance of  $235 \mu\text{F}$ .  $C_1$  in parallel to  $235 \mu\text{F}$  results in a single capacitance of  $236 \mu\text{F}$ .  
 d. A single voltage source of  $4.9 \text{ V}$ .  
 e. A single current source of  $1.2 - 125 \cdot 10^{-3} + (-500 \cdot 10^{-6}) = 1.0745 \text{ A}$ .  
 f. A single resistance of  $200 \Omega$ : first, combine  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , then  $(R_1 + R_2)$  parallel to  $R_3$ , then  $\{(R_1 + R_2)//R_3\}$  in series with  $R_4$ , and so on.
- 3.2. Due to symmetry, the current splits up into equal parts at each node.



The voltage drop  $V_{AB}$  (along an arbitrary shortest path from A to B) is:  
 $V_{AB} = R_{\text{edge}}(I/3 + I/6 + I/3) = (5/6)IR_{\text{edge}}$ ;  $R_{\text{cube}} = V_{AB}/I = (5/6)R_{\text{edge}} = 5/6 \Omega$ .

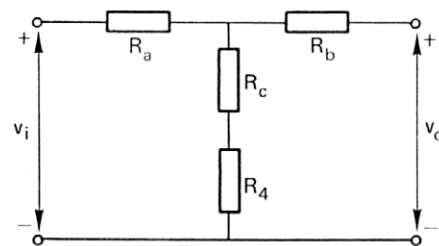
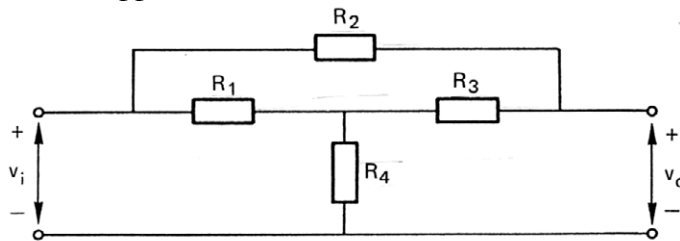
3.3. a.  $\frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1}{101} \approx 0.01$  (voltage divider).

b.  $\frac{i_o}{i_i} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1}{101} \approx 0.01$  (current divider).

c.  $\frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{R_4}{R_3 + R_4} \cdot \frac{R_2 // (R_3 + R_4)}{R_1 + R_2 // (R_3 + R_4)} = 0.45 \cdot \frac{36.12}{18 + 36.12} = 0.45 \cdot 0.67 = 0.3$ .

(Application of twice the voltage divider rule: once to resistances  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  and once to resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2 // (R_3 + R_4)$ ).

3.4. Application of the transformation formula to resistances  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ :



$$R_a = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ k}\Omega; R_b = R_c = R_a = 2/3 \text{ k}\Omega \text{ (because of symmetry);}$$

$$\frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{R_c + R_4}{R_a + R_c + R_4} = 0.8 \text{ (voltage divider).}$$

3.5. a.  $v_o + RC \frac{dv_o}{dt} = v_i$ . b.  $\frac{R}{L} v_o + \frac{dv_o}{dt} = \frac{dv_i}{dt}$ . c.  $v_o + LC \frac{d^2 v_o}{dt^2} = LC \frac{d^2 v_i}{dt^2}$ .

d.  $v_o + RC \frac{dv_o}{dt} = RC \frac{dv_i}{dt}$ . e.  $v_o + \frac{L}{R} \frac{dv_o}{dt} = v_i$ . f.  $v_o + LC \frac{d^2 v_o}{dt^2} = v_i$ .

3.6.  $I_c = C \frac{dV_c}{dt}$  therefore  $\Delta V_c = \frac{1}{C} I_c \Delta t + V_c(0) = \frac{I_c \Delta t}{C}$ .  $C = \frac{I_c \Delta t}{\Delta V_c} = \frac{10^{-6} \cdot 100}{20} = 5 \mu\text{F}$ .

### Generalized network elements

#### 3.7. Generalized capacitances

- thermal capacitance:  $q = C_{th} \frac{dT_{ab}}{dt}$  (see page 43)

- mass:  $F = C_{mech} \frac{dv_{ab}}{dt}$  (see page 44)

- moment of inertia (ratio between torque and angular acceleration):  $T_{ab} = J \frac{d\Omega_{ab}}{dt}$

*Generalized selfinductance*

- stiffness:  $v_{ab} = \frac{1}{K} \frac{dF}{dt}$  (see page 44)

*Generalized resistances*

- damping:  $v_{ab} = \frac{1}{b} F$  (see page 44)

- thermal resistance:  $T_{ab} = R_{th} q$ .

3.8. *I*-variables: force  $F$ ; heat flow  $q$  and mass flow;

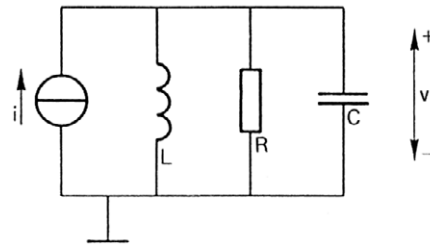
integrated *I*-variables: electric charge  $Q = \int I dt$  and heat (energy)  $\int q dt$ ;

*V*-variables: angular velocity  $\Omega$  and temperature difference  $T$ ;

integrated *V*-variable: angular displacement  $\varphi = \Omega dt$ .

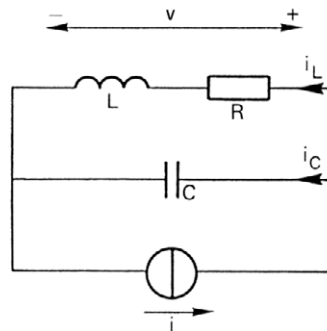
3.9. The equation of motion of the mechanical system is:  $F = k \int v dt + bv + m \frac{dv}{dt}$ .

The analog equation of the electrical system is:  $i = \frac{1}{L} \int v dt + \frac{1}{R} v + C \frac{dv}{dt}$ . The corresponding electronic network is given below:



The relation between  $F$  and  $x$  is:  $F = kx + b \frac{dx}{dt} + m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$ .

3.10.

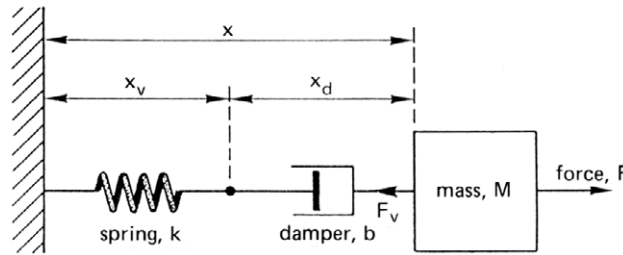


The electrical system is described according to the following differential equations:

$$v = \frac{1}{C} \int i_C dt, \quad u = i_L R + L \frac{di_L}{dt}, \quad i_C + i_L = i.$$

Eliminating  $i_C$  and  $i_L$  results in:  $LC \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dv}{dt} + v = L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri$ .

The selfinductance and the resistance are equivalent with a mechanical spring and damper, and are connected in series. The capacitance is equivalent to a mass. The current source supplies current to the capacitance which in turn is loaded with (supplies current to) the inductance and the resistance. Analogously, the force is applied to the mass, which is loaded by the spring and the damper.



The mechanical system is described according to the differential equations:

$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = F - F_v, \quad F_v = kx_v = b \frac{dx_d}{dt}, \quad x_v + x_d = x, \quad v = \frac{dx}{dt}.$$

Eliminating  $F_v$ ,  $x_v$  and  $x_d$  results in:  $\frac{m}{k} \frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{m}{b} \frac{dv}{dt} + v = \frac{1}{k} \frac{dF}{dt} + \frac{F}{b}$ , which is equivalent to the electrical system equation.

## 4. Mathematical tools

### Complex variables

4.1. Apply the rules for series and parallel impedances:

$$Z_s = Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots; \quad Y_p = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots \quad \text{or} \quad 1/Z_p = 1/Z_1 + 1/Z_2 + \dots$$

a.  $R \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R}{1 + j\omega RC}.$

b.  $R_2 \parallel \left( R_1 + \frac{1}{j\omega C} \right) = \frac{R_2(1 + j\omega R_1 C)}{1 + j\omega(R_1 + R_2)C}.$

c.  $\frac{1}{j\omega C_2} \parallel \left( R + \frac{1}{j\omega C_1} \right) = \frac{1 + j\omega R C_1}{j\omega(C_1 + C_2) - \omega^2 C_1 C_2 R}.$

d.  $R + j\omega L + \frac{1}{j\omega C}.$  This is a series resonance circuit, with  $Z = 0$  if  $R = 0$  and  $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}.$

e.  $\frac{1}{Y}; \quad Y = \frac{1}{R} + j\omega C + \frac{1}{j\omega L} \rightarrow Z = \frac{R}{1 + jR(\omega C - 1/\omega L)}.$  This is a parallel resonance circuit, with  $Y = 0$  if  $1/R = 0$  ( $R \rightarrow \infty$ ) and  $\omega = 1/\sqrt{LC}.$

f.  $(R + j\omega L) \parallel \frac{1}{j\omega C} = \frac{R + j\omega L}{1 + j\omega RC - \omega^2 LC}.$

4.2. Apply the voltage divider rule to each network:  $\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}.$

a.  $\frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC}.$

b.  $\frac{j\omega L}{R + j\omega L}.$

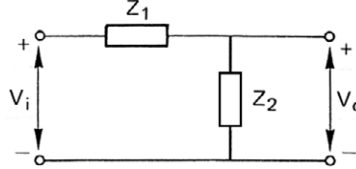
c.  $\frac{j\omega L}{j\omega L + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{-\omega^2 LC}{1 - \omega^2 LC}.$

d.  $\frac{j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC}.$

e.  $\frac{R}{R + j\omega L}$ .

f.  $\frac{1/j\omega C}{j\omega L + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{1}{1 - \omega^2 LC}$ .

4.3. Simplify the circuit to arrive at the next network:



$$Z_1 = \frac{R_1}{1 + j\omega R_1 C_1}, \quad Z_2 = \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega R_2 C_2},$$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = \frac{R_2(1 + j\omega R_1 C_1)}{R_1(1 + j\omega R_2 C_2) + R_2(1 + j\omega R_1 C_1)} =$$

$$= \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot \frac{1 + j\omega R_1 C_1}{1 + j\omega R_p(C_1 + C_2)}, \quad \text{where } R_p = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}.$$

The transfer does not depend on the frequency if  $R_1 C_1 = R_p(C_1 + C_2)$ , from which follows:  $R_1 C_1 = R_2 C_2$ .

4.4.  $V_a = \frac{R V_i}{R + j\omega L}, \quad V_b = \frac{V_i}{1 + j\omega RC},$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{V_a - V_b}{V_i} = \frac{R}{R + j\omega L} - \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega L/R} - \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC}.$$

$V_o/V_i = 0$ , irrespective of  $V_i$ , if  $L/R = RC$  or  $L = R^2 C$ .

*Laplace variables*

4.5. The rules for series and parallel impedances are also applicable in the Laplace domain.

a.  $R \parallel \frac{1}{pC} = \frac{R}{1 + pRC}.$

b.  $\left(R_1 + \frac{1}{pC}\right) \parallel R_2 = \frac{R_2(1 + pR_1 C)}{1 + p(R_1 + R_2)C}.$

c.  $\left(R_1 + \frac{1}{pC_1}\right) \parallel \frac{1}{pC_2} = \frac{1 + pRC_1}{p(C_1 + C_2) + p^2 C_1 C_2 R^2}.$

d.  $R + pL + \frac{1}{pC}.$

e.  $\left(\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{pL} + pC\right)^{-1}.$

f.  $(R + pL) \parallel \frac{1}{pC} = \frac{R + pL}{1 + pRC + p^2 LC}.$

4.6. Replace  $j\omega$  with  $p$  and  $-\omega^2$  with  $p^2$ .

a.  $\frac{1}{1 + pRC}$ ; no zeroes, pole  $p = -1/RC$ .

b.  $\frac{pL}{R + pL}$ ; zero  $p = 0$ , pole  $p = -R/L$ .



- c.  $\frac{p^2 LC}{1 + p^2 LC}$ ; double zero  $p = 0$ , two poles  $p = \frac{\pm j}{\sqrt{LC}}$ .
- d.  $\frac{pRC}{1 + pRC}$ ; zero  $p = 0$ , pole  $p = -1/RC$ .
- e.  $\frac{R}{R + pL}$ ; no zeroes, pole  $p = -R/L$ .
- f.  $\frac{1}{1 + p^2 LC}$ ; no zeroes, two poles  $p = \frac{\pm j}{\sqrt{LC}}$ .
- 4.7. a.  $\frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{pRC}{1 + pRC}$ ,  $V_i(p) = \frac{E}{p}$ ,  $V_o(p) = \frac{pRC}{1 + pRC} \cdot \frac{E}{p} = \frac{E}{p + 1/RC}$ .

Inverse transformation:  $v_o(t) = E \cdot e^{-t/RC}$ ,  $t > 0$ .

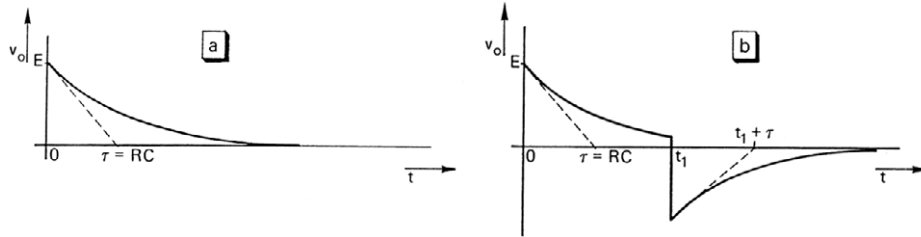
b. The input signal can be seen as being composed of a positive step voltage  $E$  at  $t = 0$  and a negative step voltage  $-E$  at  $t = t_1$ .

$$V_i(p) = \frac{E}{p} - e^{-pt_1} \frac{E}{p} \rightarrow V_o(p) = \frac{E}{p + 1/RC} - \frac{e^{-pt_1} E}{p + 1/RC} \rightarrow$$

$$v_o(t) = E e^{-t/RC}, \quad 0 \leq t < t_1,$$

$$v_o(t) = E e^{-t/RC} - E e^{-(t-t_1)/RC}, \quad t \geq t_1$$

The step at  $t = t_1$  equals  $-E$  volt.



- 4.8. The differential equation of the system can be deduced from:

$$v_i = iR + L \frac{di}{dt} + v_o \text{ and } i = C \frac{dv_o}{dt}: v_i = v_o + RC \frac{dv_o}{dt} + LC \frac{d^2 v_o}{dt^2}$$

Using rules (4.10) and (4.13), the Laplace equation is:

$$V_i = V_o + RC(pV_o - v_o(0)) + LC(p^2 V_o - pv_o(0) - v_o'(0)).$$

The signal's history ( $v_i$  for  $t < 0$ ) is not relevant to the course of  $v_o$  for  $t \geq 0$ , only the boundary conditions are relevant:

$$v_o(0) = 0, \quad v_o'(0) = \frac{i(0)}{C} \rightarrow v_o'(0) = \frac{i_o}{C}, \quad v_i = 0 \text{ for } t > 0.$$

$$\text{From this it follows that: } V_o(p) = \frac{i_o / C}{p^2 + pR/L + 1/LC}.$$

- a. For  $R_2 > 4L/C$  the denominator of the polynome can be factorized as

$$(p + a_1)(p + a_2), \text{ with } a_{1,2} = \frac{R}{2L} \pm \sqrt{\frac{R^2}{4L^2} - \frac{1}{LC}}, \text{ hence:}$$

$$V_o = \frac{i_o / C}{(p + a_1)(p + a_2)} = \frac{i_o}{C} \frac{1}{a_1 - a_2} \left( \frac{-1}{p + a_1} + \frac{1}{p + a_2} \right).$$

The inverse transformation results in:

$$v_o(t) = \frac{i_o}{C} \frac{1}{a_1 - a_2} (-e^{-a_1 t} + e^{-a_2 t}), \quad t > 0.$$

b. In the case of  $R^2 < 4L/C$  this factorization is not possible.  $V_o$  can be rewritten as:

$$V_o = \frac{i_o / C}{(p + a)^2 + \omega^2},$$

(one of the terms in Table 4.1, with  $a = R/2L$  and  $\omega = 1/LC - R^2/4L^2$ .)

Inverse transformation gives:

$$v_o(t) = \frac{i_o}{\omega C} e^{-at} \sin \omega t, \quad t > 0.$$

c. For  $R^2 = 4 \frac{L}{C}$ ,  $\omega^2 = 0$ , hence  $V_o = \frac{i_o / C}{(p + a)^2}$

Using the transformation  $1/p^2 \leftrightarrow t$  and Equation (4.8), this results in:

$$v_o(t) = \frac{i_o}{C} t e^{-at}, \quad t > 0.$$

Conclusion:

a.  $R = 400\Omega$ :  $v_o(t)$  is an exponentially decaying voltage.

b.  $R = 120\Omega$ :  $v_o(t)$  is a sinusoidal voltage with exponentially decaying amplitude.

c.  $R = 200\Omega$ :  $v_o(t)$  first increases with time, and then decreases exponentially down to zero.

## 5. Models

### System models

5.1. The source resistance is found by disregarding all sources; the source resistance is the equivalent resistance of the resultant two-pole network.

a.  $V_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = 6V$ ;  $R_s = R_3 + R_1 // R_2 = 10.025 k\Omega$ .

b.  $V_o = IR_1 = 90 V$ ;  $R_s = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 = 90\Omega$ .

c. Apply the principle of superposition with respect to the two current sources and the rule for the current divider. The result will be:

$$V_o = I_1 \left( \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} \right) + I_2 (R_2 // (R_1 + R_3)) \approx 34V + 50.4V = 84.4V;$$

$$R_s = R_2 // (R_1 + R_3) \approx 25.2 k\Omega.$$

5.2. CMRR(DC) = -90 dB,  $20 \log \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -90$ ,  $\frac{V_o}{V_i} = 10^{-4.5} \approx 32 \mu V/V$

$$\text{CMRR}(1 \text{ kHz}) = -80 \text{ dB}, \quad 20 \log \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -80, \quad \frac{V_o}{V_i} = 10^{-4} \approx 100 \mu V/V$$

$$\text{SVRR} = -110 \text{ dB}, \quad 20 \log \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -110, \quad \frac{V_o}{V_i} = 10^{-5.5} \approx 3.2 \mu V/V$$

5.3.  $I_m = \frac{R_s}{R_L + R_s} I_s \approx \left( 1 - \frac{R_L}{R_s} \right) I_s \rightarrow \text{relative error} \approx \frac{-R_L}{R_s} < 0.5\% \rightarrow R_L \leq 500 \Omega$ .

5.4. (a)  $V_s \approx 9.6 V$ ;  $\frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L} \cdot 9.6 = 8.0 V \rightarrow R_s = 2 k\Omega$

(b)  $V_o = \frac{R_i}{R_s + R_i} \cdot V_s \approx \left( 1 - \frac{R_s}{R_i} \right) V_s \rightarrow \text{the maximum relative error is } -\frac{R_s}{R_i} = -\frac{2 \cdot 10^3}{10^7} = -0.02\%$ .

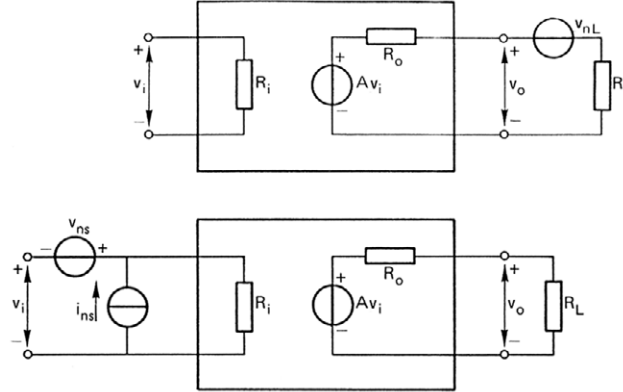
5.5. See Section 5.1.3.

$$5.6. \quad A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{AR_L}{R_o + R_L}; \quad i_o = \frac{Av_i}{R_o + R_L} = \frac{AR_i i_i}{R_o + R_L} \rightarrow A_i = \frac{i_o}{i_i} = \frac{AR_i}{R_o + R_L};$$

$$A_p = \frac{P_o}{P_i} = \frac{v_o i_o}{v_i i_i} = A_v A_i = \frac{A^2 R_i R_L}{(R_o + R_L)^2}.$$

### Signal models

5.7. The next two systems must be equivalent:



As a criterion for equivalence, take  $v_o$ :

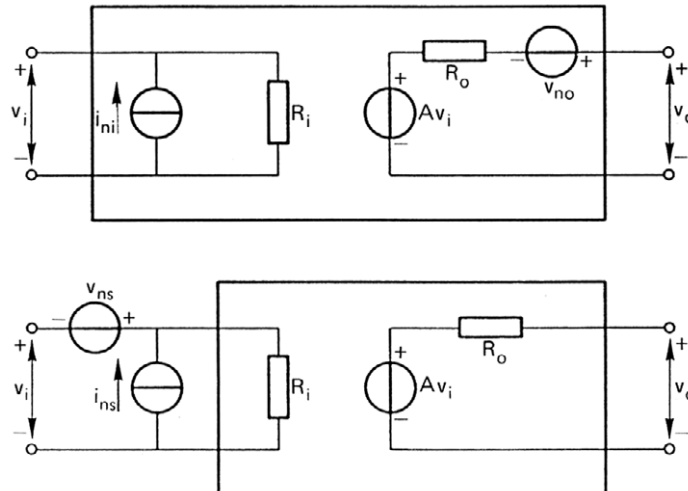
With short-circuited inputs:

$$v_o = v_{nL} \frac{R_o}{R_o + R_L} = Av_{ns} \frac{R_L}{R_o + R_L} \rightarrow v_{ns} = \frac{R_o v_{nL}}{R_L A}.$$

With open inputs:

$$v_o = v_{nL} \frac{R_o}{R_o + R_L} = Ai_{ns} R_i \frac{R_L}{R_o + R_L} \rightarrow i_{ns} = \frac{R_o v_{nL}}{R_L R_i A}.$$

5.8. In the preceding exercise, the equivalent noise sources depend on  $R_L$ , as part of the output voltage divider. In this exercise, all noise sources originate from the system itself, so the result does not depend on  $R_L$ . Therefore, we can put  $R_L \rightarrow \infty$  for the sake of simplicity.



Short-circuited input terminals:

$$v_o = v_{no} = Av_{ns} \rightarrow v_{ns} = \frac{v_{no}}{A}.$$

Open input terminals:

$$v_o^2 = (A i_{ni} R_i)^2 + v_{no}^2 = (A i_{ns} R_i)^2 \rightarrow i_{ns}^2 = i_{ni}^2 + \left( \frac{v_{no}}{A R_i} \right)^2.$$

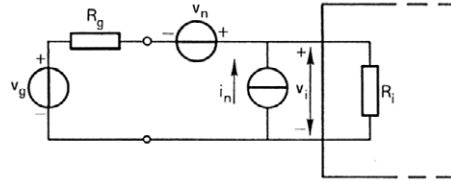
- 5.9. The output offset voltage is  $A(V_n + I_n R_g)$ . At 20 °C,  $V_n = 1$  mV and  $I_n = 10$  nA, hence  $V_{\text{off},o} = 10(10^{-3} + 10^{-8} \cdot 10^4) = 11$  mV.

The maximum offset occurs at  $T = 50$  °C. At that temperature, the offset is

$V_n = 1$  mV +  $30 \cdot 10$   $\mu$ V = 1.3 mV and  $I_n = 10$  nA  $\cdot 2^3 = 80$  nA, thus

$$V_{\text{off},o} = 10(1.3 \cdot 10^{-3} + 80 \cdot 10^{-9} \cdot 10^4) = 21$$
 mV.

- 5.10. Make a model of the system:



The signal power  $P_g$  towards the system is  $v_i^2 / R_i$ , hence

$$P_g = \left( \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_g} v_g \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{R_i}$$

Both  $v_n$  and  $i_n$  contribute to the noise power  $P_n$ :

$$P_n = \left( \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_g} v_n \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{R_i} + \left( \frac{R_g R_i}{R_g + R_i} i_n \right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{R_i}$$

$$S/R = \frac{P_g}{P_n} = \frac{v_g^2}{v_n^2 + R_g^2 i_n^2},$$

which is independent of  $R_i$ .

## 6. Frequency diagrams

### Bode plots

- 6.1. a.  $H = \frac{j\omega R_2 C}{1 + j\omega(R_1 + R_2)C}$ ;  $R_2 C = 0.5$  ms;  $(R_1 + R_2)C = 1$  ms

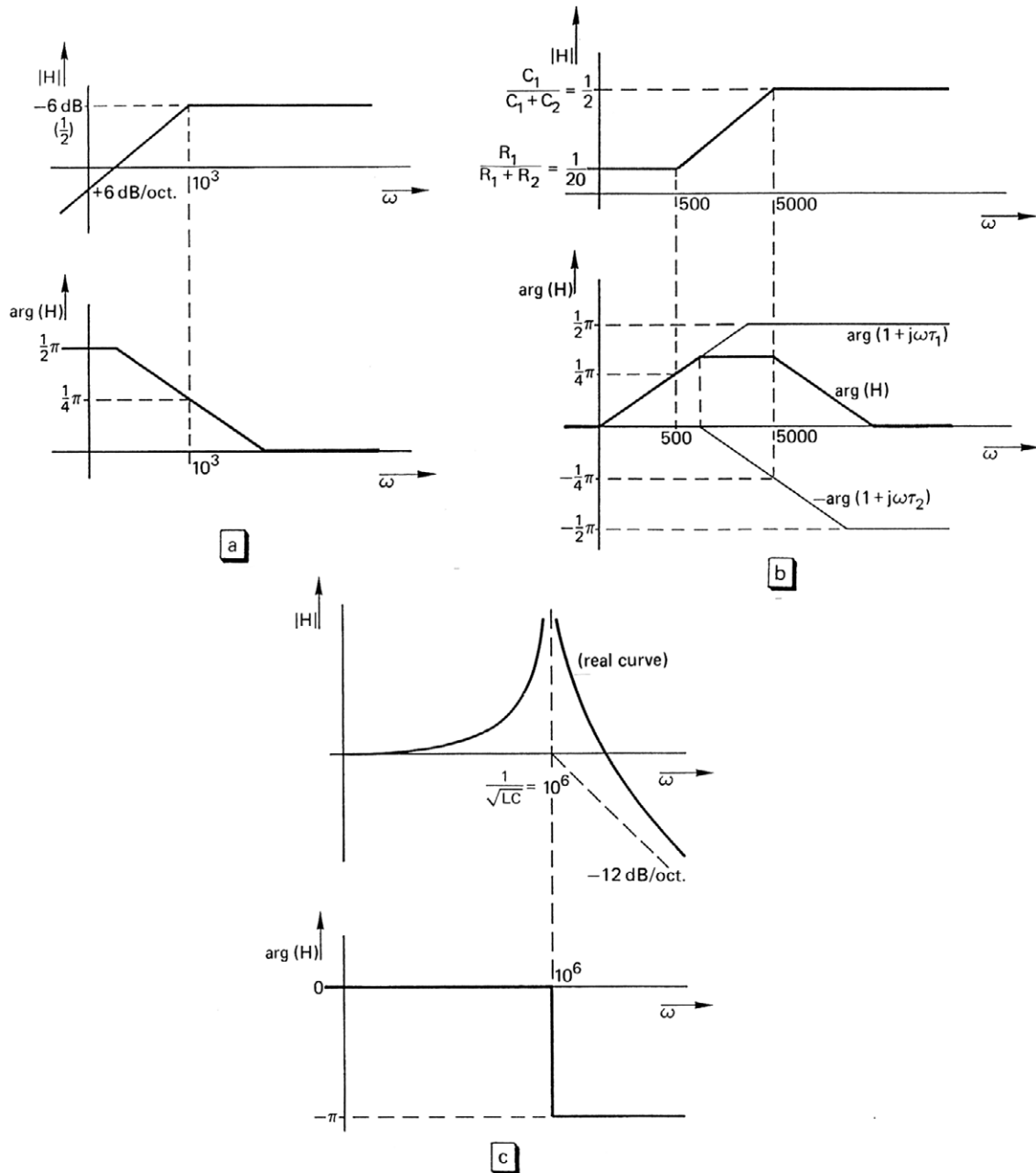
$\omega \rightarrow 0$	$H \rightarrow j\omega R_2 C$	$ H  \rightarrow \omega R_2 C$	$H$ is positive imaginary, so $\arg H = \pi/2$
$\omega \rightarrow \infty$	$H \rightarrow \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$ H  \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \equiv -6$ dB	$\arg H \rightarrow 0$ .
$\omega = \omega_k$	$H = \frac{jR_2 / (R_1 + R_2)}{1 + j}$	$ H  \models \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$	$\arg H = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Break point:  $\omega(R_1 + R_2)C = 1$ , or  $\omega_k = 10^3$  rad/s.

- b.  $H = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot \frac{1 + j\omega\tau_1}{1 + j\omega\tau_2}$ ;  $\tau_1 = R_1 C_1 = 2$  ms;

$$\tau_2 = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \cdot (C_1 + C_2) \approx 0.2$$
 ms;  $\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \approx \frac{1}{20}$ ; (see Exercise 4.3).

The Bode plot can be composed of the diagrams of  $R_2/(R_1 + R_2)$  (frequency independent),  $1 + j\omega\tau_1$  and  $1/(1 + j\omega\tau_2)$ .



c.  $H = \frac{1}{1 - \omega^2 LC}$ ; see also Exercise 3.5f.

$\omega \rightarrow 0$ ;  $H \rightarrow 1$   $|H| \rightarrow 1$   $\arg H \rightarrow 0$ .

$\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ;  $H \rightarrow \frac{-1}{\omega^2 LC}$   $|H| \rightarrow \frac{1}{\omega^2 LC}$   $\arg H \rightarrow -\pi$ .

$\omega \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$ ;  $H \rightarrow \infty$ , phase indeterminate.

6.2.  $H = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC - \omega^2 LC} = \frac{1}{1 + j2z\omega / \omega_0 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}$

$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 10^7$  rad/s

$$\frac{2z}{\omega_0} = RC \rightarrow z = 0.5$$

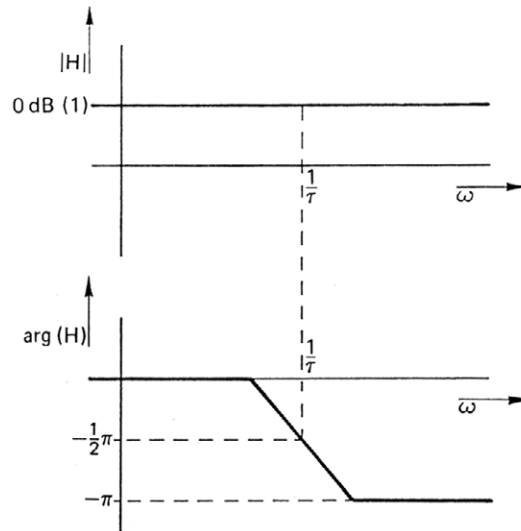
$$\omega_m = \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - 2z^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 \cdot 10^7} \text{ rad/s (see Section 6.1.2)}$$

$$|H(\omega_m)| = \frac{1}{2z\sqrt{1-z^2}} = \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{3} \text{ (see Section 6.1.2)}$$

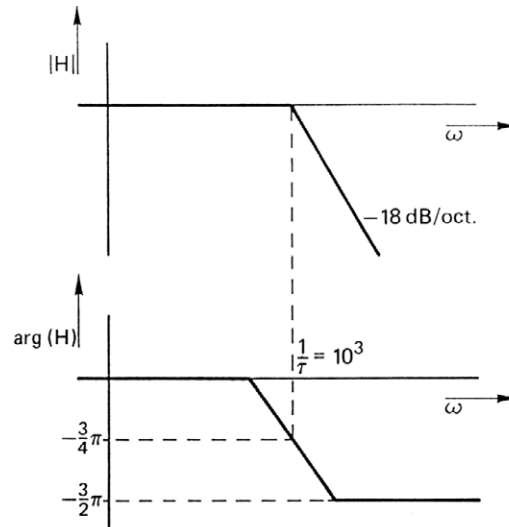
$$|H(\omega_m)| = \frac{1}{2z} = 1.$$

6.3.  $|H| = 1$ ;  $\arg H = -2 \tan^{-1} \omega\tau$ ;  $\tau = RC$ .

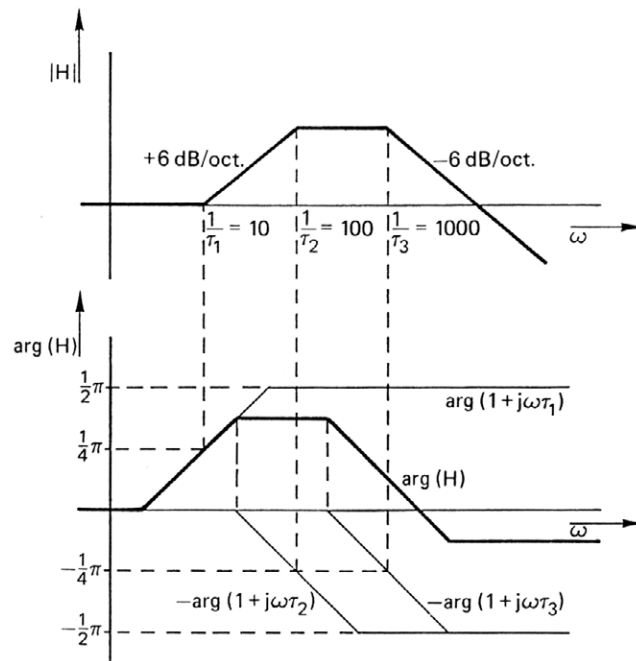
$\omega = 0$ :  $\arg H = 0$ ;  $\omega = 1/\tau$ :  $\arg H = -\pi/2$ ;  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ :  $\arg H = -\pi$  (see the figure below)



6.4. Summing three Bode plots representing the function  $1/(1 + j\omega\tau)$ .



6.5. Summing the Bode plots for the functions  $H_1 = 1 + j\omega\tau_1$ ,  $H_2 = 1 + j\omega\tau_2$ , and  $H_3 = 1 + j\omega\tau_3$ .



### Polar plots

- 6.6. a. The polar plot is a circle, with starting point 0 and ending point  $R_2/(R_1 + R_2)$  (both on the real axis).

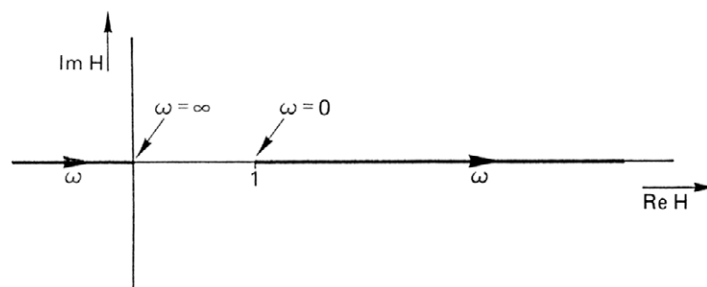
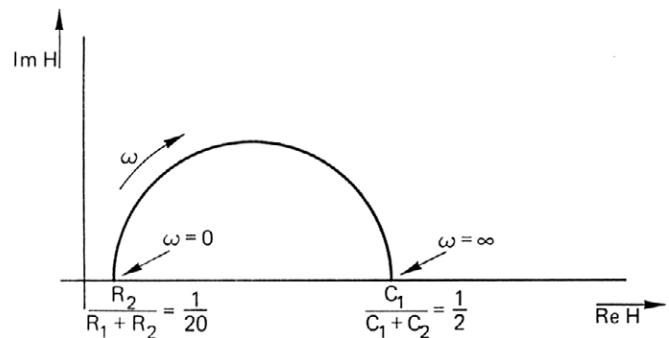
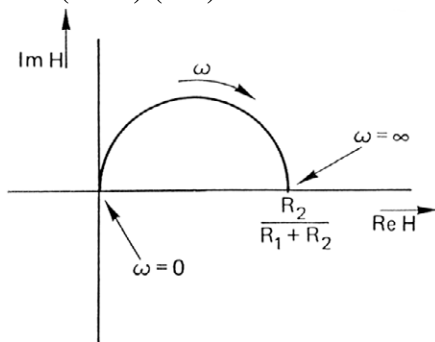
The tangent at the starting point makes an angle  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot (1 - 0) \cdot \pi$ , so that the semi-circle lies in the upper part of the complex plane.

- b. The polar plot is a circle. The starting point is  $R_2/(R_1 + R_2) \approx \frac{1}{20}$  and the ending point is  $R_2/(R_1 + R_2) \cdot (\tau_1/\tau_2) \approx \frac{1}{2} = C_1/(C_1 + C_2)$

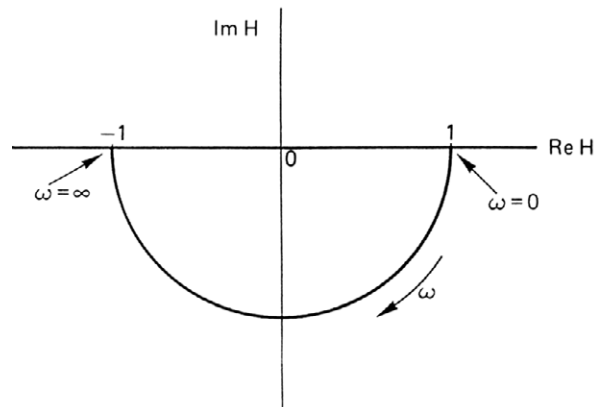
As the polar plot turns clockwise, it describes of a semi-circle in the upper half plane.

If  $R_2/(R_1 + R_2) > C_1/(C_1 + C_2)$ , the semi-circle lies in the lower half plane.

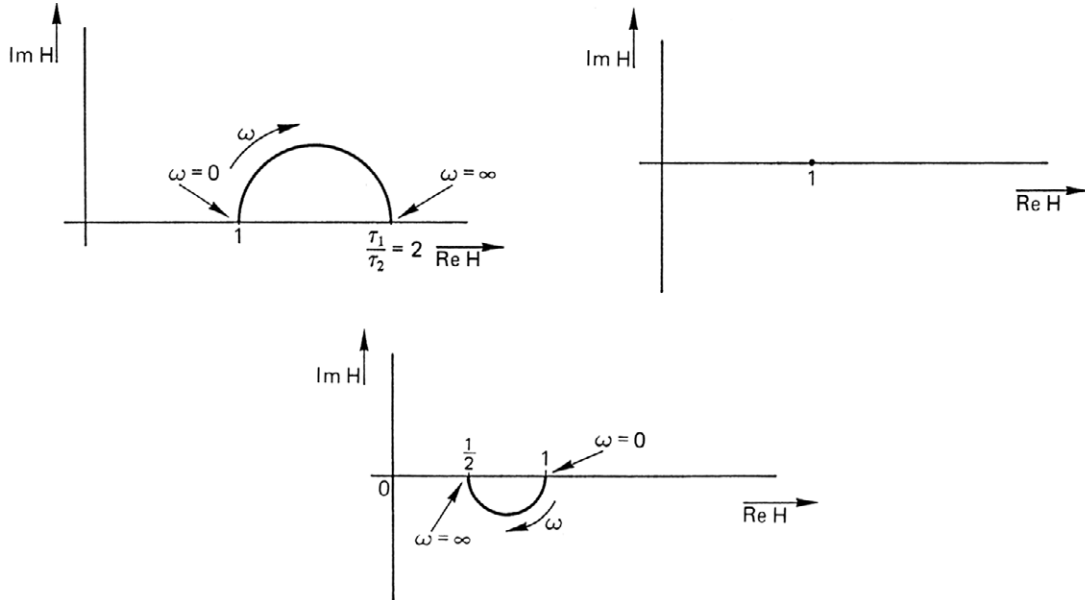
- c. The function is real for all  $\omega$ , so the polar plot lies on the real axis. The starting point is 1, the ending point is 0, and the tangent at the ending point makes an angle of  $\pi + (0 - 2) \cdot (\pi/2) = 0$ .



- 6.7. The network is called an all-pass network because the transfer is the same for all frequencies and it is equal to 1; the polar plot lies on the unity circle. The starting point is 1, the ending point is  $-1$  and the polar plot turns in a clockwise direction.



- 6.8. The polar plot is a semi-circle, with starting point 1 and ending point  $\tau_1/\tau_2$  (2, 1 and  $1/2$ , respectively).



## 7. Passive electronic components

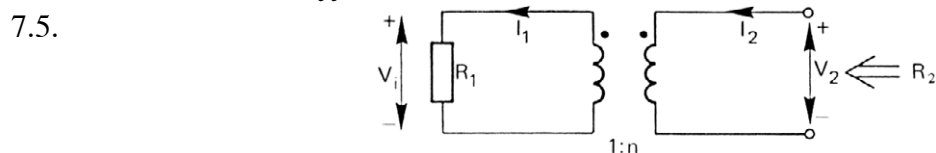
*Passive circuit components*

7.1.  $i = C \frac{dv}{dt}$ ;  $q = Cv$ .

- 7.2.  $\delta$  is a measure of the dielectric losses in a capacitor;  $\tan \delta = I_R/I_C = 1/\omega RC$ . (see Section 7.1.2).

7.3.  $v = L \frac{di}{dt}$ ;  $\Phi = Li$ .

7.4.  $B = \mu_0 \mu_r H$ ;  $\Phi = \iint \vec{B} d\vec{A}$ ;  $[B] = T = V \text{ s/m}^2$ ;  $[H] = A/m$ ;  $[\Phi] = \text{Wb} = V \text{ s}$ .



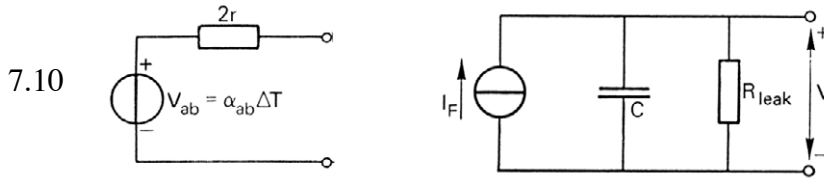


$$R_2 = \frac{V_2}{I_2}; R_1 = \frac{V_1}{I_1}.$$

$$\frac{V_2}{V_1} = n, \quad \frac{I_2}{I_1} = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow R_2 = n^2 \frac{V_1}{I_1} = n^2 R_1.$$

### Sensor components

- 7.6. The absolute error is  $R_0 \beta T^2$ ; its maximum value (at  $T = 100^\circ\text{C}$ ) is  $-0.58 \Omega$ . For  $T = 100^\circ\text{C}$  is, in the case of a linear characteristic,  $R = 100(1 + 3.9 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 10^2) = 139 \Omega$ . The non-linearity error is  $-0.58/139 \cdot 100\% = -0.42\%$ , or  $-0.58/0.39 = -1.49^\circ\text{C}$  (see Exercise 1.9).
- 7.7. For a Pt-100,  $0.39 \Omega$  is equivalent to 1 K, so  $0.039 \Omega$  is equivalent to 0.1 K. The resistance of each wire is  $r$ , so the wire resistance per sensor is  $2r$ :  $2r < 0.039 \Omega$ , or  $r < 20 \text{ m}\Omega$ .
- 7.8. The sensitivity of the thermocouple is  $40 \mu\text{V/K}$  (see Table 7.3):  $0.5 \text{ K} \leftrightarrow 20 \mu\text{V}$  and this is just the maximum allowable uncertainty in the offset voltage.
- 7.9. The common-mode voltage is  $\frac{1}{2}v_i$ , the differential-mode voltage is  $(\Delta R/R)v_i$ , hence the smallest voltage that has to be measured is  $10^{-6}v_i$ . The maximum allowable output voltage due to a common-mode voltage is equal to the output voltage produced by an input differential voltage of  $10^{-6}v_i$ . So:  $\text{CMRR} > \frac{1}{2}v_i/10^{-6}v_i = 5 \cdot 10^5$ .



$I_F$  is proportional to the derivative of the force on the sensor. The charge produced is  $Q = S_q F$ , and  $S_q$  is the force sensitivity;  $I_F = dQ/dt$ .

- 7.11 The slider of the potentiometer divides resistance  $R$  into two parts:  $\alpha R$  and  $(1 - \alpha)R$ .

The voltage transfer is:

$$\frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{R_L // \alpha R}{R_L // \alpha R + (1 - \alpha)R} = \frac{\alpha}{1 + (1 - \alpha)\alpha R / R_L} \approx \alpha \left( 1 - (1 - \alpha)\alpha \frac{R}{R_L} \right)$$

The term  $(1 - \alpha)\alpha R/R_L$  causes non-linearity (with respect to the transfer  $v_o/v_i = \alpha$ ).

This term has a maximum for  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ ; which is why the non-linearity is approximately  $R/4R_L = 800/(4 \cdot 10^3) = 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ .

## 8. Passive filters

### First and second order RC-filters

- 8.1.  $|H| = 1/\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}$ ,  $\arg H = -\tan^{-1} \omega \tau$ ,  $\tau = 10^{-3} \text{ s}$ .

a.  $\omega^2 \tau^2 = 0.01 \rightarrow |H| = 1 \quad \arg H = -0.10 \text{ rad};$

b.  $\omega^2 \tau^2 = 1 \rightarrow |H| = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \quad (-3 \text{ dB frequency or break point}),$   
 $\arg H = -0.79 \text{ rad}.$

c.  $\omega^2 \tau^2 = 100 \rightarrow |H| \approx \frac{1}{10} \quad \arg H = -1.47 \text{ rad}.$

- 8.2.  $|H| = \omega\tau / \sqrt{1 + \omega^2\tau^2}$ , with  $\tau = 0.1$  s.
- For  $\omega^2\tau^2 \gg 1$   $|H| \approx 1$ ;  $\omega \gg 1/\tau$ ; or  $\omega \gg 10$  rad/s;
  - $|H| \approx 0.1$  for  $\omega\tau = 0.1$ , or  $\omega = 1$  rad/s;
  - $|H| \approx 0.01$  for  $\omega\tau = 0.01$ , or  $\omega = 0.1$  rad/s.
- 8.3. The modulus of the transfer is  $|H| = 1 / \sqrt{1 + \omega^2\tau^2}$ .  
 For the measurement signal, this must be at least 0.97 (namely 3% less than 1).  
 Hence:  $1 + \omega^2\tau^2 \leq (1/0.97)^2$ , or  $\omega\tau \leq 0.25$ .  
 The largest attenuation occurs at the highest signal frequency (1 Hz =  $2\pi$  rad/s), so  $\tau \leq 0.25/2\pi$  s.  
 The interference signal should be attenuated by at least a factor of 100, so  $\omega\tau \geq 100$  ( $\omega$  is the frequency of the interference signal):  

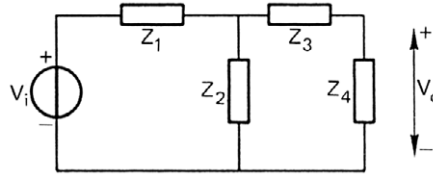
$$\tau \geq \frac{100}{2\pi \cdot 2\text{kHz}} = \frac{0.05}{2\pi} \text{ s.}$$
 The limits for the time constants are:  

$$\frac{0.05}{2\pi} \leq \tau \leq \frac{0.25}{2\pi} \text{ s.}$$
- 8.4. The third-harmonic distortion of a triangular signal is 1/9. The slope of a low-pass order  $n$  filter is  $2^n$  per octave (a factor of 2 in frequency), or  $3^n$  for a factor of 3 in frequency.
- The attenuation of the third-harmonic relative to the fundamental is 3 (for a first-order filter), so  $d_3$  (the third-harmonic distortion) after filtering equals  $\frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{27} \approx 3.7\%$ ;
  - The attenuation is  $(\frac{1}{3})^2$ :  $d_3 = \frac{1}{9} \cdot (\frac{1}{3})^2 = \frac{1}{81} \approx 1.23\%$ ;
  - The attenuation is  $(\frac{1}{3})^3$ :  $d_3 = \frac{1}{9} \cdot (\frac{1}{3})^3 = \frac{1}{243} \approx 0.41\%$ .
- 8.5. The frequency ratio between the measurement signal and the interference signal is 5. A low-pass order  $n$  filter attenuates the signal with the highest frequency by a factor of  $5^n$  more than the signal with the lower frequency (see also Exercise 8.4). Requirement  $5^n \geq 100$ , so  $n \geq 3$ .

### Filters of higher order

- 8.6. The order can be found by counting the number of reactive elements (self-inductances, capacitances) of the circuit in its most simple form. The filter type is found by the determination of the transfer for  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  and  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ .
- Fourth-order low-pass filter;
  - third-order band-pass filter;
  - third-order high-pass filter.
- 8.7.  $|H| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\frac{1}{2})^{2n}}}$ .
- $|H| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{16}}} \approx 0.970 \approx -0.263\text{dB}$ ;
  - $|H| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{64}}} \approx 0.992 \approx -0.070\text{dB}$ .

- 8.8. The transfer function of a network with the structure as shown below is:



$$H = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{Z_2 Z_4}{Z_1 Z_2 + (Z_1 + Z_2)(Z_3 + Z_4)}.$$

Application of this formula to the given network results in:

$$H = \left[ \frac{R_g}{R_L} + 1 + j\omega \left( R_g C_1 + R_g C_2 + \frac{L}{R_L} \right) + (j\omega)^2 \left( LC_2 + LC_1 \frac{R_g}{R_L} \right) + (j\omega)^2 R_g C_1 C_2 L \right]^{-1}$$

Substitution of the numerical values produces:

$$H = \frac{1}{2 + 4j\omega + 4(j\omega)^2 + 2(j\omega)^3}, \text{ so}$$

$$|H| = \frac{1}{[(2 - 4\omega^2)^2 + \omega^2(4 - 2\omega^2)^2]^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1 + \omega^6}}$$

As  $|H|$  can be written as  $(1 + \omega^{2n})^{-1/2}$ , with  $n = 3$ , this is an order 3 Butterworth filter.

$$8.9. \quad H = \frac{1}{1 + j\omega L/R - \omega^2 LC}; \quad |H|^2 = \frac{1}{1 - 2\omega^2 LC + \omega^4 L^2 C^2 + \omega^2 L^2 / R^2}.$$

This is a Butterworth filter if the term with  $\omega^2$  is zero, hence  $L = 2R^2 C$ .

In that case,

$$|H|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + 2\omega^4 L^2 C^2} = \frac{1}{1 + (\omega/\omega_c)^{2n}}, \text{ where } \omega_c = 1/\sqrt{LC} \text{ and } n = 2;$$

$$C = \frac{1}{\omega_c^2 L} = 10^{-7} \text{ F}; \quad R = \sqrt{\frac{L}{2C}} = 50\sqrt{2} \, \Omega$$

## 9. PN diodes

*Properties of pn diodes*

$$9.1. \quad I = I_o(e^{qV/kT} - 1) \approx I_o e^{qV/kT}$$

$$9.2. \quad r_d = kT/qI, \quad g \text{ (conductance)} = 1/r_d. \text{ Using the rule of thumb of: } r_d = 25 \, \Omega \text{ at } I = 1 \text{ mA and } T = 300 \text{ K, it follows that:}$$

$$\text{at } I = 1 \text{ mA; } r_d = 25 \, \Omega, \quad g = 40 \text{ mA/V}$$

$$\text{at } I = \frac{1}{2} \text{ mA; } r_d = 50 \, \Omega, \quad g = 20 \text{ mA/V}$$

$$\text{at } I = 1 \, \mu\text{A; } r_d = 25 \text{ k}\Omega, \quad g = 40 \, \mu\text{A/V}$$

$$9.3. \quad \text{The temperature coefficient is about } -2.5 \text{ mV/K: a temperature increase of } 10 \text{ K lowers the diode voltage by } 25 \text{ mV.}$$

$$9.4. \quad V = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{I}{I_o} = kT \frac{\log I / I_o}{\log e} \approx \frac{0.025}{0.434} \log \frac{I}{I_o} = 0.058 \log \frac{I}{I_o}.$$

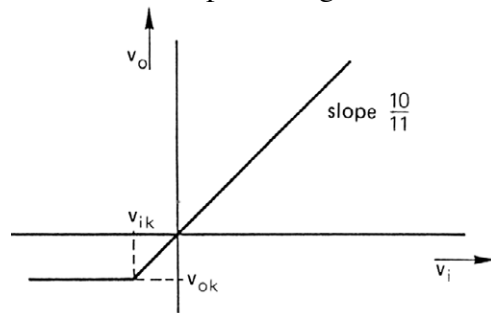
Tenfold I results in a voltage increase of about 58 mV.

$$9.5. \quad \text{At } 0.1 \text{ mA, } r_s \text{ can be neglected with respect to } r_d, \text{ but not however at } 10 \text{ mA. Using the result of Exercise 9.4, the diode voltage } V \text{ would be } 600 + 58 + 58 = 716 \text{ mV, if } r_s \text{ is zero. The measured value is } 735 \text{ mV, so there is a voltage of } 19 \text{ mV over } r_s. \text{ Hence: } r_s = 19 \text{ mV}/10 \text{ mA} = 1.9 \, \Omega. \text{ At } 0.1 \text{ mA, } r_d \text{ is about } 250 \, \Omega, \text{ so the assumption that } r_s \ll r_d \text{ appears to be valid.}$$

## Circuits with pn-diodes

- 9.6. The output voltage is limited either to  $V_k$  or to the Zener voltage  $V_z$ . The input voltage is derived from the output voltage.

a.



$$v_{ok} = -0.5 \text{ V};$$

$$v_o = (1000/1100)v_i \text{ as long as the diode is forward biased;}$$

$$v_{ik} = (11/10)v_{ok} = -0.55 \text{ V}.$$

b. The same shape;  $v_{ok} = 5.5 - 0.5 = 5.0 \text{ V};$

$$v_{ik} = (11/10)v_{ok} = 5.5 \text{ V};$$

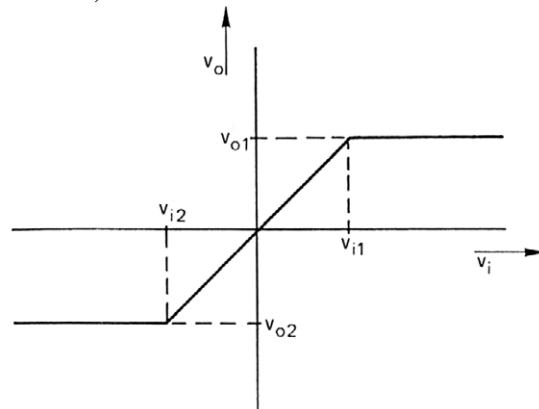
$$v_{ol} = 5.5 \text{ V};$$

$$v_{il} = (11/10)v_{ol} = 6.05 \text{ V};$$

$$v_{o2} = -0.5 \text{ V};$$

$$v_{i2} = -0.55 \text{ V};$$

c.



d. The same shape;  $v_{o1} = v_{z1} + v_{k2} = 6.5 \text{ V};$

$$v_{i1} = 7.15 \text{ V};$$

$$v_{o2} = -v_{z2} - v_{k1} = -10.5 \text{ V};$$

$$v_{i2} = -11.55 \text{ V};$$

- 9.7. The circuit is sensitive to the negative peak value. For any input voltage,  $v_o - v_i \leq V_k$ . The output voltage is  $v_o = v_{i,\min} + V_k$ , with values  $-5.4 \text{ V}$ ,  $-0.9 \text{ V}$  and  $0 \text{ V}$ , respectively (in the latter case, the diode remains reverse biased).

- 9.8. The ripple voltage  $\Delta v$  satisfies the equation  $\Delta v / (\hat{v}_i - V_k) \approx T / \tau$  (see Eq. (9.2)). For relatively large signal amplitude,  $V_k$  can be ignored in comparison with to the amplitude, hence:  $\frac{\Delta v}{\hat{v}_i} \approx \frac{T}{\tau} = 1\%$ ;  $\tau = 100T = 100 \cdot 0.2 \text{ ms} = 20 \text{ ms}$ ;  $R = \frac{\tau}{C} = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$

- 9.9. The capacitance values are not of relevance here.

a.  $v_o$  is a sine wave with an amplitude of  $5 \text{ V}$ . The clamping level is  $-0.6 \text{ V}$  for the negative peaks, hence  $v_{o,\text{av}} = -0.6 + 5 = 4.4 \text{ V}$ .

b. The same as (a); the clamping level is  $+5.4 - 0.6 = 4.8 \text{ V}$ , hence  $v_{o,\text{av}} = 9.8 \text{ V}$ .

- c.  $C_1$  and  $D_1$  form a clamping circuit,  $C_2$  and  $D_2$  a peak detector for negative peak values. The output voltage of the clamping part is a sine wave with amplitude 5 V, the positive peaks of which are clamped at +0.6 V. Its negative peak is  $0.6 - 10 = -9.4$  V, so:  $V_o = -9.4 + 0.6 = -8.8$  V.
- 9.10 For a proper operation the capacitor must be able to charge, so the diode should (at least once) be forward biased. This happens as soon as  $\hat{v}_i > V + V_k$ , so for any value of  $\hat{v}_i$  the voltage  $V$  must satisfy  $V < \hat{v}_i - V_k$ . The clamping level is  $V + V_k$  and there is no condition for the minimum value of  $V$ .
- 9.11 The bridge (without a capacitor) acts as a double-sided rectifier, not as a peak detector.
- a. The output is a double-sided rectified sine wave.  
 $\hat{v}_i = 10\sqrt{2}$  V;  $\hat{v}_o = \hat{v}_i - 2V_k \approx 10\sqrt{2} - 1.2 \approx 12.9$  V.  
 This is equal to the ripple voltage
- b.  $V_o = |\hat{v}_i| - 2V_k \approx 8.8$  V.  
 This is a DC voltage, so there is no ripple.
- c. Just as in (b), the current flows through both other diodes.
- 9.12 When loaded with a capacitor, the bridge acts as a peak detector.
- a.  $V_{o,m} \approx \hat{v}_i - 2V_k = 10\sqrt{2} - 1.2 \approx 12.9$  V.  
 $\Delta v = (\hat{v}_i - 2V_k) \cdot (T/\tau)$  with  $T = 10$  ms (double frequency) and  $\tau = RC = 30$  ms. Hence:  
 $\Delta v \approx (10/30) \cdot 12.9 = 4.3$  V.
- b. At a DC input voltage, the capacitor is charged up to  $V_i - 2V_k$ ; the output voltage is 8.8 V (without ripple).
- c. Just as in (b).
- 9.13 The current through the Zener diode should be more than zero, to guarantee a proper Zener voltage. Hence:
- $$I_{R1} \geq I_{RL} \rightarrow \frac{18 - 5.6}{R_1} \geq \frac{5.6}{R_L} \rightarrow R_L \geq \frac{5.6 \cdot 1800}{18 - 5.6} = 813 \Omega.$$

## 10. Bipolar transistors

### Properties of bipolar transistors

- 10.1.  $I_C = I_0(e^{qV_{BE}/kT} - 1) \approx I_0 e^{qV_{BE}/kT}$ .  
 The base-emitter junction must be forward biased, the collector-base junction must be reverse biased if it is to operate properly as a linear amplifying device. For an npn transistor:  $V_{BE} \approx 0.6$  V and  $V_{BC} \leq 0$  V.
- 10.2.  $I_E = I_B + I_C$  and  $I_C = \beta I_B$ , hence  $I_E = (1 + \beta)I_B = 800 \mu A \rightarrow$   
 $I_B = \frac{800 \mu A}{1 + 200} \approx 4 \mu A$ ;  $I_C = I_E - I_B = 796 \mu A$ .
- 10.3. The Early effect in a bipolar transistor accounts for the effect of  $V_C$  on  $I_C$ ; ideally, this effect is zero.
- 10.4.  $V_B = \frac{10}{10 + 15} \cdot 25 = 10$  V  $\rightarrow V_E = 10 - 0.6 = 9.4$  V;  
 $I_E = \frac{9.4}{4700 \Omega} = 2$  mA;  $I_C \approx I_E = 2$  mA;  
 $V_o = 25$  V  $- 2$  mA  $\cdot 5600 \Omega = 13.8$  V.

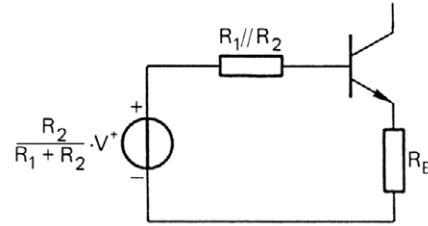
$$\begin{aligned}
10.5. \quad V_E(T_1) &= -0.6 \text{ V} \rightarrow I_{E1} = \frac{-0.6 \text{ V} - (-10 \text{ V})}{4700 \Omega} = 2 \text{ mA}, I_{C1} \approx I_{E1} = 2 \text{ mA}; \\
V_E(T_2) &= +0.6 \text{ V} \rightarrow I_T = \frac{10 \text{ V} - 0.6 \text{ V}}{1880 \Omega} = 5 \text{ mA}; \\
I_T &= I_{C1} + I_{E2} \text{ (Kirchhoff's law)} \rightarrow I_{E2} = 5 - 2 = 3 \text{ mA}, I_{C2} \approx I_{E2} = 3 \text{ mA}; \\
V_o &= -10 \text{ V} + 3 \text{ mA} \cdot 2 \text{ k}\Omega = -4 \text{ V}.
\end{aligned}$$

*Circuits with bipolar transistors*

$$\begin{aligned}
10.6. \quad r_e &= 25/I_E \Omega, \text{ with } I_E \text{ the emitter current in mA.} \\
\text{a. } V_B &= V^+ + \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} (V^+ - V^-) = -20 + \frac{40}{11} = -16.36 \text{ V}; \\
V_E &= V_B - 0.6 = -16.96 \text{ V}; \\
I_E &= \frac{V_E - V^-}{R_E} = \frac{-16.96 + 20}{5600} = 0.65 \text{ mA} \rightarrow r_e = \frac{25}{0.65} = 38.5 \Omega. \\
\text{b. } V_B &= V^+ \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = 7.5 \text{ V}; V_E = 6.9 \text{ V}; \\
I_E &= \frac{V_E}{R_E} = 6.9 \text{ mA} \rightarrow r_e = 3.6 \Omega. \\
\text{c. For } T_1: \\
V_B &= \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V^+ + \frac{47}{147} \cdot 7.5 = 2.4 \text{ V}; V_E = 1.8 \text{ V}; \\
I_E &= \frac{V_E}{R_4} = 0.1 \text{ mA} \rightarrow r_{e1} = 250 \Omega. \\
\text{For } T_2: V_B &= V^+ - I_{C1} R_3 = 7.5 - 0.1 \cdot 22 = 5.3 \text{ V}; \\
V_E &= V_B + 0.6 = 5.9 \text{ V}; \\
I_E &= \frac{V^+ - V_B}{R_5} = \frac{1.6}{1500} \approx 1 \text{ mA} \rightarrow r_{e2} \approx 25 \Omega. \\
10.7. \quad \text{a. CE-stage: } A &= -\frac{R_C}{R_E} = -\frac{33\text{k}}{5.6\text{k}} = -5.9. \\
\text{b. Emitter follower: } A &\approx 1. \\
\text{c. This is a two-stage voltage amplifier with decoupled emitter resistances. As } \beta &\rightarrow \infty, \\
\text{the base current through } T_2 \text{ is zero; the first stage is not loaded by the second stage. In} & \\
\text{that case: } A &= A_1 \cdot A_2. \\
A_1 &= -\frac{R_3}{r_{e1}} = -88; A_2 = -\frac{R_6}{r_{e2}} = -108 \rightarrow A = +9504. \\
10.8. \quad \text{The transfer of an emitter follower with } \beta &\rightarrow \infty \text{ is } \frac{R_E}{r_e + R_E} \approx 1 - \frac{r_e}{R_E}. \\
\text{The relative deviation from 1 is thus } -\frac{r_e}{R_E} &= -\frac{3.6}{1000} = -0.36\%. \\
10.9. \quad \text{The transfer of an emitter follower with } \beta &\gg 1 \text{ is} \\
\frac{\beta R_E}{r_b + \beta(r_e + R_E)} &\approx 1 - \frac{r_e}{R_E} - \frac{r_b}{\beta R_E} \\
\text{The relative deviation from 1 is thus } -\frac{r_e}{R_E} - \frac{r_b}{\beta R_E} &= -0.46\%.
\end{aligned}$$

- 10.10. The input resistance is  $R_1 // R_2 // [r_b + (1 + \beta)(r_c + R_E)] \approx R_1 // R_2 // \beta R_E = 100 \text{ k}\Omega // 100 \text{ k}\Omega // 100 \text{ k}\Omega = (100/3) \text{ k}\Omega$ .
- 10.11. In Exercise 10.7, the transfer is  $A = A_1 \cdot A_2$ , with  $A_1 = -(R_3/r_{e1})$ . The input resistance  $r_{i2}$  of the second stage thus becomes parallel to  $R_3$ ; so replace  $R_3$  in the formulas with  $R_3 // r_{i2}$ . The input resistance is approximately  $r_{i2} = \beta r_{e2} = 2500 \Omega$ , so  $R_3 // r_{i2} \approx 2240 \Omega$ . This is almost a factor of 10 smaller than the value previously calculated.
- 10.12. First, find  $V_B$ , then  $I_E$ . As  $\beta$  is not infinite, the base current cannot be ignored. A Thévenin equivalent of the input circuit is depicted below (see Figure 5.2a).

$$V_B = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V^+ - (R_1 // R_2) I_B$$



Obviously, the base current affects the transistor bias. If the second term is small, it can be ignored; not however in this example:

$$V_B = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V^+ - (R_1 // R_2) \frac{I_E}{\beta} = V_E + 0.6; V_E = I_E R_E;$$

$$I_E \left( R_E + \frac{R_1 // R_2}{\beta} \right) = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V^+ - 0.6 \rightarrow I_E = \frac{7.5 - 0.6}{1000 + 500} = 4.6 \text{ mA}, r_e = 5.43 \Omega.$$

Usually the designer ensures that with  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  the bias is independent of the base current.

## 11. Field-effect transistors

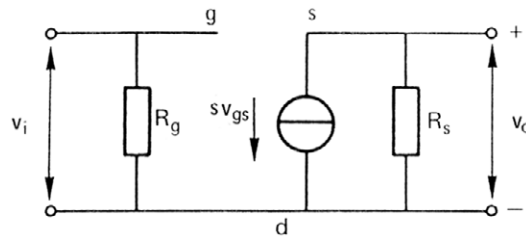
### Properties of field-effect transistors

- 11.1. The gate-source voltage at  $V_{DS} = 0$ , for which the channel is non-conducting (see Section 11.1.1).
- 11.2. In this region there are (virtually) no free charge carriers (see Section 9.1.1).
- 11.3. The gate current of a JFET consists of the reverse currents of the reverse biased junctions (gate-source and gate-drain). In a MOSFET, the gate is completely isolated from the rest of the device by an oxide layer, so  $I_G$  is almost zero (smaller than  $10^{-12}$  A).
- 11.4.  $V_G = 0$ ;  $V_{GS} = -4 \text{ V} \rightarrow V_S = 4 \text{ V}$ ;  
 $I_S = \frac{V_S}{R_S} = \frac{4}{1500}$ ;  $I_D = I_S$  (as  $I_G = 0$ );  
 $V_D = V^+ - I_D R_D = 20 - \frac{4 \cdot 3300}{1500} = 11.2 \text{ V}$ .
- 11.5. The maximum resistance of the network ( $10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) is obtained for  $R_{FET} \rightarrow \infty$  so for  $V_{GS} < V_P$ :  $R = R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ .  
The lowest resistance ( $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) is obtained for  $V_{GS} = 0$ ,  $R_{FET} = 800 \Omega$ :  
 $R = R_1 // (R_2 + R_{FET}) = 1 \text{ k}\Omega \rightarrow R_2 = 311 \Omega$ .

- 11.6. To avoid that pn-junctions at the source and drain contacts may affect the signal behaviour of the transistor (see Section 11.1.2).
- 11.7. The names refer to the type of charge carriers that are responsible for the conduction in the material. In a bipolar transistor these are both holes and electrons; in an n-channel FET only electrons and in a p-channel FET only holes.

### Circuits with field-effect transistors

- 11.8.  $I_D = \frac{5}{3} V_{GS} + 5$  ( $I_D$  in mA).
- 11.9.  $V_G = 0$ , thus  $V_{GS} = -V_S$ ;  $I_D = I_S = V_S/R_S$ ;  
substitution in the equation of Exercise 11.8 results in:  $I_D = \frac{5}{6}$  mA.
- 11.10. Similar to Exercise 11.9:  $I_D = 2.5$  mA;  $V_D = V^+ - I_D R_D = 10 - 2.5 \cdot 1.8 = 5.5$  V.
- 11.11.



The power supply voltage has no effect on the calculation of the signal properties.

- voltage transfer (at  $i_o = 0$ ):

$$v_o = g v_{gs} R_S = g(v_i - v_o) R_S = g(v_i - v_o) R_S \rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{g R_S}{1 + g R_S} = \frac{4}{1 + 4} = 0.8;$$

- input resistance (at  $i_o = 0$ ):  $\frac{v_i}{i_i} = r_i = R_G = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$ ;

- output resistance (at  $v_i = 0$ ):

$$v_o = (i_o + g v_{gs}) R_S = (i_o - g v_o) R_S \rightarrow \frac{v_o}{v_i} = r_o = \frac{R_S}{1 + g R_S} = 400 \Omega.$$

- 11.12. a.  $T_1$  is connected as a source follower. The total source resistance is  $R$  in series with the output resistance of  $T_2$  (at the drain). The latter is infinite (current source character) so the voltage transfer of the source follower is 1: the AC voltages at the source of  $T_1$  and the drain of  $T_2$  are both equal to  $v_i$ . The DC (average) value of  $v_o$  is  $V_{GS}(T_1) + I_D R$  lower than that of  $v_i$ .

b.  $V_{GS}(T_2) = 0 \rightarrow I_D(T_2) = 2 \text{ mA}$ ;

$I_D(T_1) = I_D(T_2) = 2 \text{ mA} \rightarrow V_{GS}(T_1) = 0$ .

The required voltage drop is 3 V, which is equal to the voltage drop across  $R$ :  $I_D R = 3$ , so  $R = 1500 \Omega$ .

c. The maximum peak voltage depends on the  $V_{DS}$ - $I_D$  characteristic of the FET (Figure 11.2c); but in any case, all pn-junctions must remain reverse biased. From the characteristic it follows:

for  $T_1$ :  $V_{DS} > 0$ ;  $V_{S\max} = V_{G\max} = 10 \text{ V} \rightarrow \hat{v}_{\max} < 3 \text{ V}$ ;

for  $T_2$ :  $V_{D\min}(T_2) = V_{S\min}(T_1) - 3 = 0 \text{ V} \rightarrow \hat{v}_{\max} < 4 \text{ V}$ ;

$V_{GS}(T_1)$  and  $V_{GS}(T_2)$  are 0 V.  $V_{DG}(T_1) = 3 \text{ V}$  and  $V_{DG}(T_2) = 4 \text{ V}$ , hence all pn-junctions are reverse biased. The condition for  $T_2$  is always fulfilled if (for  $T_1$ )  $\hat{v}_{\max} < 3 \text{ V}$ .

From Figure 11.2c it appears that with this large value of the input voltage  $T_1$  operates in the pinch-off region and is no longer linear. For this reason, the input voltage should be kept lower than the value calculated before.



## 12. Operational amplifiers

### Amplifier circuits with ideal operational amplifiers

- 12.1. A virtual ground is a point that is at ground potential without being connected to ground. At proper feedback, the voltage between the two inputs of an operational amplifier is zero. At grounded positive terminal the negative terminal is virtually grounded. In a non-inverting configuration, none of the input terminals is grounded.

- 12.2. a. Superposition of the separate contributions of  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  to the output voltage:

$$V_o = -\frac{R_3}{R_1} V_1 - \frac{R_3}{R_2} V_2 = -15 \cdot 2 - 12.2 \cdot (-3) = +6.6 \text{ V}.$$

- b. In the ideal case (equal resistances)  $V_o = 0$ . In the general case,

$$V_o = \frac{R_1 R_4 - R_2 R_3}{R_1 (R_3 + R_4)} V_i \text{ (see Figure 12.5);}$$

with  $R_{1,2,3,4} = R(1 \pm \varepsilon)$ , the maximum output voltage is

$$V_o \approx \frac{4\varepsilon}{2} V_i = 2 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot 10 = 60 \text{ mV}$$

- c.  $V_o = -\infty$  (in a real situation: limited by the negative power supply voltage).

- d. Superposition of the separate contributions of  $V_i$  and  $I_i$  to the output:

$$V_o = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} V_i + R_2 I_i = -1 \cdot 0.6 + 15 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 40 \cdot 10^{-6} = 0.$$

- e. The current through the negative input is zero, so the voltage across  $R_3$  is zero too. The voltage at the negative input is  $V_o$ ; the circuit behaves as a buffer amplifier. As the output impedance is zero, the load resistor  $R_4$  does not affect the transfer.

$$V_o = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_i = \frac{120}{300} \cdot 5 = 2 \text{ V}.$$

- f.  $V_3 = -(R_1/R_1) V_1$  (inverting amplifier);  $V_o = V_5$  (buffer amplifier);

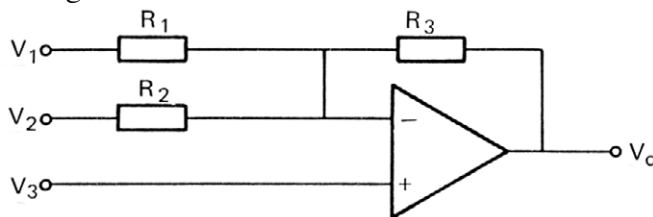
$$V_5 = \frac{R_3}{R_2 + R_3} V_3 + \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_3} V_4 \text{ (superposition).}$$

Substitution of the numerical values:

$$V_3 = -\frac{18}{0.6} \cdot 0.3 = -9 \text{ V}; V_o = \frac{18}{40} \cdot (-9) + \frac{22}{40} \cdot 1 = -4.05 + 0.55 = -3.5 \text{ V}.$$

- 12.3.  $R_i = R_1 > 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ ; take  $R_1 = 5.6 \text{ k}\Omega$  (see Section 7.1.1).  $R_2/R_1 = 50$ , so  $R_2 = 280 \text{ k}\Omega$  (for instance two resistances of  $560 \text{ k}\Omega$  in parallel).

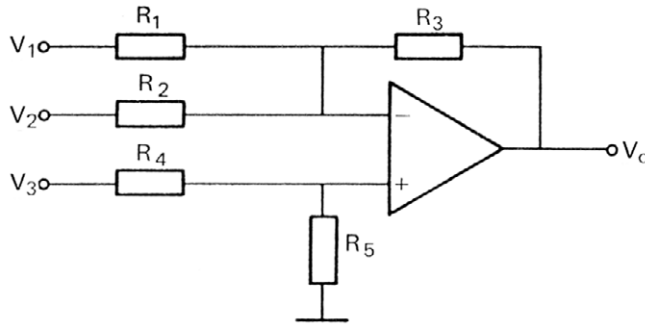
- 12.4. The circuit must have two inverting and one non-inverting input. Examine the next configuration.



In this circuit:

$$V_o = -\frac{R_3}{R_1} V_1 - \frac{R_3}{R_2} V_2 + \left(1 + \frac{R_3}{R_1 // R_2}\right) V_3, \text{ with the conditions: } R_3/R_1 = 10, R_3/R_2 = 5 \text{ and } R_3 = R_1 // R_2.$$

There is no solution: the  $V_o/V_3$  gain is always larger than the other two gain factors  $V_o/V_1$  and  $V_o/V_2$ . The voltage  $V_3$  should first be attenuated, for instance with the voltage divider with resistances  $R_4$  and  $R_5$ .



$$\text{Now: } V_o = -\frac{R_3}{R_1} V_1 - \frac{R_3}{R_2} V_2 + \left(1 + \frac{R_3}{R_1 // R_2}\right) \left(\frac{R_5}{R_4 + R_5}\right) V_3.$$

We have several options. Take, for instance,  $R_3 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ ; then  $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_2 = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Furthermore:  $R_1 // R_2 = 20/3 \text{ k}\Omega$ , so  $1 + R_3/(R_1 // R_2) = 16$ . The attenuation of the voltage divider must be 8, and that can be achieved by (for instance) choosing  $R_3 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 70 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

- 12.5. Let the two resistances be  $R_{b1}$  and  $R_{b2}$ . The common-mode transfer remains 1: the voltage drop across  $R_a$  is still zero, hence the voltage drop across  $R_{b1}$  and  $R_{b2}$  is zero too. If the differential amplifier is perfect then, the common-mode transfer will be zero.

The differential mode transfer is found with:

$$V_1' = V_1 + \frac{R_{b1}}{R_a} V_d \text{ and } V_2' = V_2 - \frac{R_{b2}}{R_a} V_d, \text{ from which follows:}$$

$$V_1' - V_2' = V_1 - V_2 + \frac{R_{b1} + R_{b2}}{R_a} V_d = \left(1 + \frac{R_{b1} + R_{b2}}{R_a}\right) V_d,$$

Conclusion: unequal values for  $R_{b1}$  and  $R_{b2}$  do not affect the CMRR; the resistance values determine the transfer for differential voltages.

### Non-ideal operational amplifiers

- 12.6. Put a voltage source  $V_{\text{off}}$  in series with the non-inverting input of the operational amplifier. Then:

$$V_o = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{\text{off}} = \left(1 + \frac{10}{2.2}\right) \cdot 0.4 = 2.22 \text{ mV}.$$

- 12.7. Without  $R_3$  the output voltage will be  $V_o = R_2 I_{\text{bias}} = 10^4 \cdot 10^{-8} = 0.1 \text{ mV}$ .

$$R_3 = R_1 // R_2 = 10 \cdot 2.2 / 12.2 = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega. \text{ So } V_o = I_{\text{off}} R_2 = 0.01 \text{ mV}.$$

- 12.8. As the inverting input-terminal is virtually grounded,  $R_i = V_i / I_i = R_1 = 2200 \Omega$ . The amplifier has ideal properties, so  $R_o = 0$ .
- 12.9. At unity feedback, the gain is 1; the bandwidth  $f_t = 1.5 \text{ MHz}$ . The gain is  $A = 10/2.2$ , so the bandwidth is equal to  $1.5 \cdot 10^6 \cdot 2.2/10 = 330 \text{ kHz}$ .
- 12.10. The input resistance has the value of  $R_1$ . Take  $R_1 = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The required gain is  $-R_2/R_1 = -30$ , so  $R_2 = 360 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The voltage on the slider of  $R_3$  may vary from  $-15$  to  $+15 \text{ V}$ ; the compensation voltage at the output should vary from  $+1.2$  to  $-1.2 \text{ V}$ , so the transfer (for the compensation voltage) must be  $-15/1.2 = -12.5$ . As the resistance of the potentiometer depends on the position of the slider, so too does the transfer. For

the slider at the extreme ends of the potentiometer, the transfer is  $-R_2/R_4$ , so  $R_4 = 12.5 \cdot 12 = 150 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Take for instance a potentiometer of  $100 \text{ k}\Omega$ ; the value is not critical, it mainly determines the current that must be supplied by the power source.

### 13. Frequency-selective transfer functions with operational amplifiers

*Circuits for time-domain operations*

13.1.  $v_o = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^{10} (V_{\text{off}} / R + I_{\text{bias}}) dt + V_{\text{off}} \approx 10^6 (10^{-4} / 10^4 + 10^{-8}) \cdot 10 = 0.2 \text{ V}.$

13.2. If both bias currents are equal, the contribution of  $I_{\text{bias}}$  to the output will be eliminated, hence:

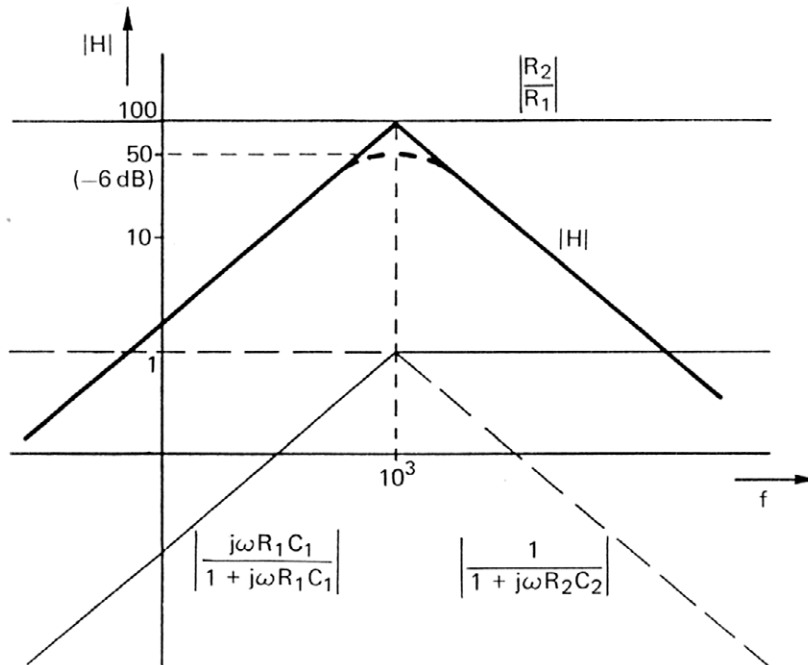
$$v_o = \frac{1}{C} \int_0^{10} (V_{\text{off}} / R) dt = 0.1 \text{ V}.$$

13.3. The output voltage reaches the end value  $v_o = (1 + R_o/R)V_{\text{off}} = 10.1 \text{ mV}.$

13.3. a. The complex transfer function is:

$$H = -\frac{Z_2}{Z_1} = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} \cdot \frac{j\omega R_1 C_1}{1 + j\omega R_1 C_1} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + j\omega R_2 C_2}.$$

The amplitude characteristic is the sum of the next three curves:  $R_2/R_1$  (frequency-independent transfer 100);  $j\omega R_1 C_1 / (1 + j\omega R_1 C_1)$  (a first-order high-pass characteristic with break point at  $f = 1/2\pi R_1 C_1 \approx 10^3$ ) and  $1/(1 + j\omega R_2 C_2)$  (first-order low-pass characteristic with break point at  $f = 1/2\pi R_2 C_2 = 10^3$ ).



(The deviation from the asymptotic approximation at the break point is  $-3\text{dB}$  for the last two curves, so it is  $-6 \text{ dB}$  (or a factor of 2) for the total transfer, see dashed curve).

b. The phase shift follows from the argument of the transfer function (we disregard the inversion minus sign):

$$\arg H = \frac{\pi}{2} - \tan^{-1} \omega R_1 C_1 - \tan^{-1} \omega R_2 C_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2 \tan^{-1} (10^{-3} f).$$

The deviation from  $90^\circ$  is  $2\arctan(10^{-3}f)$ ; this is more than  $10^\circ$  for  $f \geq 87$  Hz.

- 13.5. The input resistance has value  $R_1$ , so take  $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The gain in the P-region (the region of high frequency, where  $C$  can be viewed as a short-circuit) is  $-R_2/R_1$ , so  $R_2 = 20 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

The break point between the I- and P-region is at  $\omega_k = 1/R_2C$ . As  $f_k > 100$  Hz,  $1/2\pi R_2C > 100$  or  $C < 80 \text{ nF}$ . Since near the break point the deviation from the integrating character is rather great, we will take for instance  $C = 10 \text{ nF}$ .

### Circuits with high frequency-selectivity

- 13.6. Rewrite the transfer function as

$$H = \frac{a_0 + a_1j\omega + a_2(j\omega)^2}{1 + j\omega/Q\omega_0 - \omega^2/\omega_0^2}.$$

$$H = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1 + 2j\omega\tau - \omega^2\tau^2}{1 + j\omega\tau/12 - \omega^2\tau^2}, \text{ from which follows:}$$

$$\omega_0 = 1/\tau = 10^3 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\omega\tau/12 = \omega/Q\omega_0 = \omega\tau/Q \text{ so } Q=12;$$

$$|H(\omega \rightarrow \infty)| = \frac{1}{3}; |H(\omega \rightarrow 0)| = \frac{1}{3}; |H(\omega_0)| = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2j\omega\tau}{j\omega\tau/12} = 8..$$

13.7. 
$$H = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2} = \frac{j\omega R_2 C_1}{1 + j\omega(R_2 C_1 + R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_2) - \omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2} = \frac{j\omega\tau}{1 + 3j\omega\tau - \omega^2\tau^2}.$$

Compared with the general expression this results in:

$$\omega_0 = 1/\tau = 100 \text{ rad/s or } f_0 = 100/2\pi \approx 15.9 \text{ Hz.}$$

$$3\omega\tau = \omega/Q\omega_0 = \omega\tau/Q, \text{ or } Q = 1/3.$$

- 13.8. Replace all the resistors with capacitors and vice versa. The new transfer function then becomes:

$$H = \frac{-\omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}{1 + j\omega R_1 (C_1 + C_2) - \omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2}.$$

$$|H|^2 = \frac{(\omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2)^2}{(1 - \omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2)^2 + \omega^2 R_1^2 (C_1 + C_2)^2}.$$

The condition for a Butterworth filter is:

$$-2R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2 + R_1^2 (C_1 + C_2)^2 = 0, \text{ or } R_2/R_1 = (C_1 + C_2)^2/2C_1 C_2..$$

Take  $C_1 = C_2 = C$ , hence  $R_2 = 2R_1$ .

- 13.9. The output voltage of the differential amplifier is denoted as  $V_x$ , that of the upper integrator  $V_y$ , so that:

$$V_o = -\frac{1}{j\omega R_1 C_1} V_x; V_y = -\frac{1}{j\omega R_2 C_2} V_o;$$

$$V_x = -\frac{R_4}{R_3} V_y + \left(1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}\right) \frac{R_6}{R_5 + R_6} V_i + \left(1 + \frac{R_4}{R_3}\right) \frac{R_5}{R_5 + R_6} V_o,$$

Elimination of  $V_x$  and  $V_y$  results in:

$$\frac{V_o}{V_i} = -\frac{(1 + R_3/R_4)R_6}{R_5 + R_6} \cdot j\omega R_2 C_2$$

$$\times \left( 1 + j\omega R_2 C_2 \frac{(1 + R_3/R_4) \cdot R_5}{R_5 + R_6} - \omega^2 R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2 R_3 / R_4 \right)^{-1}$$

so  $\omega_0 = 1/\sqrt{R_1 R_2 C_1 C_2 R_3 / R_4}$  and  $Q = \frac{R_5 + R_6}{(1 + R_3/R_4)R_5} \sqrt{R_1 C_1 R_3 / R_2 C_2 R_4}$ .

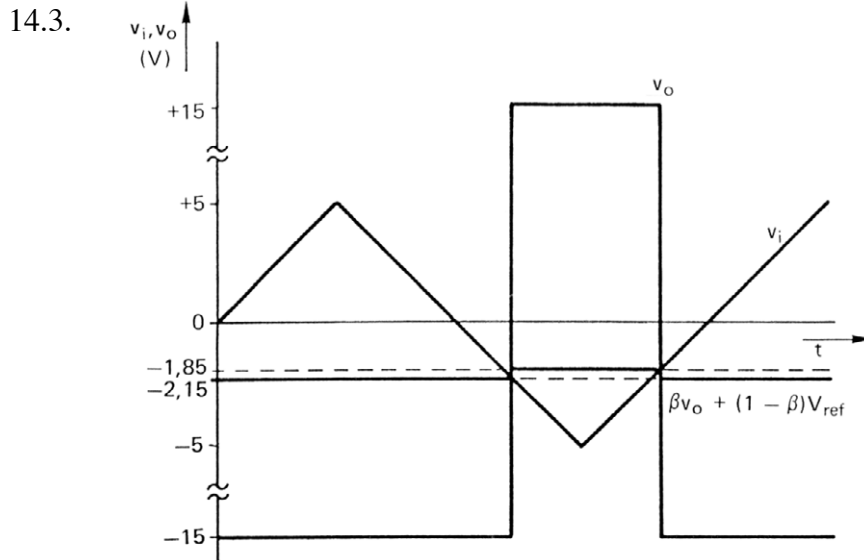
$Q$  can be adjusted independently of  $\omega_0$  by  $R_5$  and/or  $R_6$ . To vary  $\omega_0$  independently of  $Q$ , the condition  $R_1 C_1 = R_2 C_2$  must be fulfilled. If further, for the sake of simplicity,  $R_1 = R_2 = R$ ,  $C_1 = C_2 = C$  and  $R_3 = R_4$ , then  $\omega_0 = 1/RC$  and  $Q = (R_5 + R_6)/2R_5$ .

## 14. Non-linear signal processing with operational amplifiers

### Non-linear transfer functions

- 14.1. Error due to inaccuracy in  $V_R$ :  $\pm 2$  mV;  
 error due to loading: about  $-R_b/(R_i + R_b) = -1/17 \approx -6\%$ ;  
 absolute error due to voltage offset:  $\pm 2$  mV  $\pm (70 \cdot 8 \mu\text{V}) = \pm 2.56$  mV.  
 absolute error due to input current:  $\pm I_b R_b = \pm 5$  mV.
- 14.2. The switching levels are determined by the two possible voltages at the plus-terminal of the operational amplifier; these are:  

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V \pm \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} E \approx V \pm \frac{R_1}{R_2} E = -2 \pm 0.01 \cdot 15.$$
  
 $E$  is the absolute value of the power supply voltage. The switching levels are  $-1.85$  and  $-2.15$  V; the hysteresis is  $0.3$  V.



- 14.4. The break point in the transfer characteristic occurs at value  $v_i$  where the current through  $D_1$  (or  $D_2$ ) is zero. This current equals:

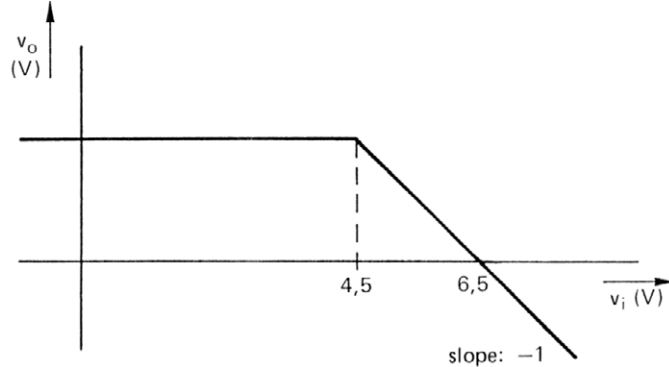
$$\frac{V_{ref,1} - V_{ref,2}}{R_3} + \frac{v_i - V_{ref,2}}{R_1},$$

so the break point occurs at  $v_i = V_{ref,2} = -\frac{R_1}{R_3} (V_{ref,1} - V_{ref,2})$

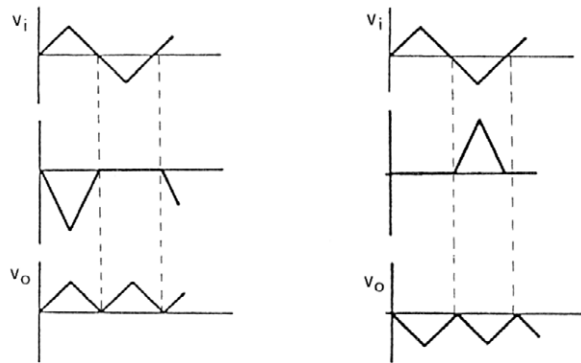
The corresponding output voltage is just equal to  $V_{\text{ref},2}$ . The output voltage in the linear region ( $D_2$  is forward biased) amounts to

$$-\frac{R_2}{R_3} V_{\text{ref},1} - \frac{R_2}{R_1} v_i + \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1 // R_3}\right) V_{\text{ref},2}$$

The characteristic is given below.



14.5.



Left: signals in the circuit of Figure 14.8. Right: signals in the case of reversed diodes.

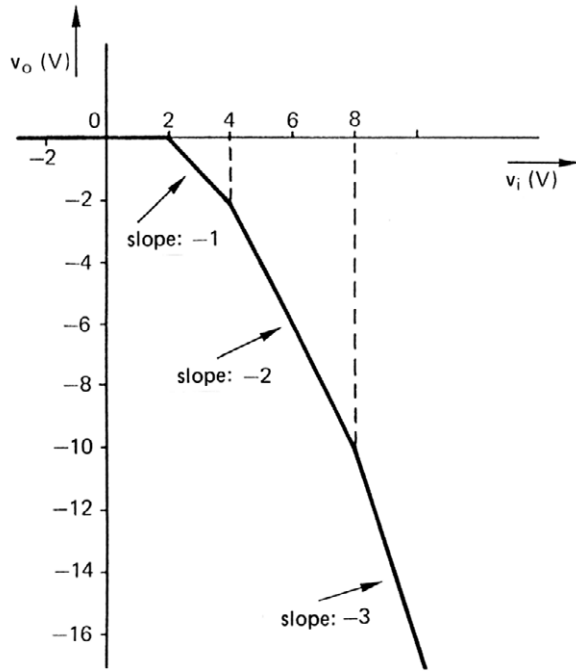
14.5. The break points occur for those values of  $v_i$  where the diodes just become forward biased; the conditions are:

$$\frac{770}{770 + 2310} V_i = 0.5 \text{ V}; \quad \frac{330}{330 + 2310} V_i = 0.5 \text{ V} \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{154}{154 + 2310} V_i = 0.5 \text{ V, or: } 2 \text{ V, } 4 \text{ V and } 8 \text{ V.}$$

The slope for each separate section equals  $-1$ , because they amount to  $-R_7/R_1$ ,  $-R_7/R_3$  and  $-R_7/R_5$ , respectively.

The output voltage at the break points is:  $0 \text{ V}$ ;  $0 + (-1) \cdot 2 = -2 \text{ V}$  and  $-2 + (-2) \cdot 4 = -10 \text{ V}$ . The transfer looks like this:



### Non-linear arithmetic operations

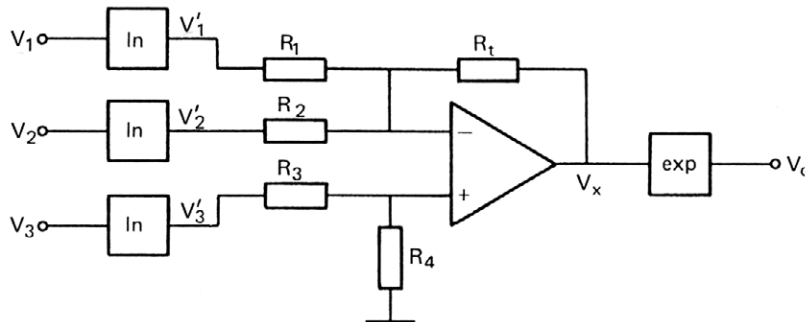
14.7.  $v_{o2} = K_E \cdot \exp(v_{i2}/V_E) = K_E \cdot \exp(v_{o1}/V_E) = K_E \cdot \exp[K_L \ln(v_{i1}/V_L)/V_E] = K_E \cdot \exp[\ln(v_{i1}/V_L)^{K_L/V_E}]$ ;  $v_{o2} = v_{i1}$  if  $K_L = V_E$  and  $K_E = V_L$ .

14.8. a.  $v_o = V_x = v_y$ ;  $v_i = K v_x v_y$ , hence  $v_i = K v_o^2$  or  $v_o = \sqrt{v_i/K} = \sqrt{v_i}$ .

b. Both input voltages of the operational amplifier are zero, so:  $-v_i/R_1 = (v_o/R_3) + K v_o^2/R_2$ .

14.9.  $v_o = -10^{v_q/10} = -10^{-A v_p/10} = -10^{A \log(v_i/10)/10} = -(v_i/10)^{A/10} = -\sqrt{v_i/10}$

14.10. The weighted addition of  $\ln v_1$  and  $\ln v_2$ , the subtraction of  $\ln v_3$ , followed by exponential conversion:



$$V_x = -\frac{R_t}{R_1} v'_1 - \frac{R_t}{R_2} v'_2 + \left(1 + \frac{R_t}{R_1 // R_2}\right) \frac{R_4}{R_3 + R_4} v'_3 \text{ with } v'_{1,2,3} = \ln(v_{1,2,3})$$

The resistance values must satisfy  $R_t/R_1 = 1/3$  and  $R_t/R_2 = 2/3$ , from which follows:  $R_t/(R_1 // R_2) = 1$ , hence  $R_4/(R_3 + R_4) = 1/2$ , or  $R_3 = R_4$ .

14.11. If the bias currents are zero, then  $v_o = \log 1 = 0$ . With non-zero bias currents:

$$\log \frac{10^{-5} \pm 10^{-9}}{10^{-4} \pm 10^{-9}} \pm \log 0.1 + \log(1 \pm 10^{-4}) + \log(1 \pm 10^{-5});$$

For  $I_1 = 10 \mu\text{A}$  and  $I_2 = 100 \mu\text{A}$  the output voltage at zero bias currents is  $\log 0.1 = -1$  V. With bias currents this is:

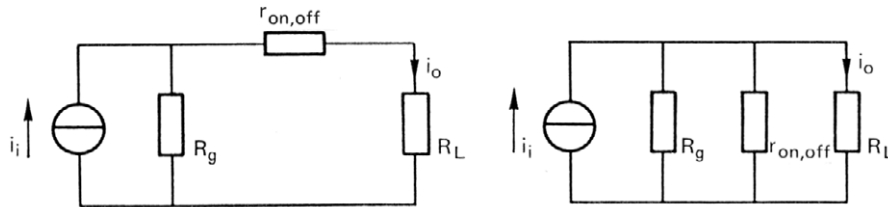
$$\log \frac{10^{-5} \pm 10^{-9}}{10^{-4} \pm 10^{-9}} \approx \log 0.1 + \log(1 \pm 10^{-4}) + \log(1 \pm 10^{-5});$$

the error is thus about  $\pm 47.8 \mu\text{V}$ .

## 15. Electronic switching circuits

### Electronic switches

- 15.1. In the on-state,  $v_o/v_i = R_L/(R_L + R_g + r_{on}) \approx 1 - R_g/R_L - r_{on}/R_L$ .  
 $R_g/R_L = 0.02\%$ , so the error due to  $r_{on}$  must be less than  $0.08\%$ . Hence,  $r_{on}/R_L < 8 \cdot 10^{-4}$  thus  $r_{on} < 40 \Omega$ .  
 In the off-state,  $v_o/v_i = R_L/(R_L + R_g + r_{off}) \approx R_L/r_{off}$ ; this must be less than  $10^{-3}$ , so  $r_{off} > 50 \text{ M}\Omega$ .
- 15.2. In the on-state (switch off),  $v_o/v_i = R_L/(R_g R_L/r_{off} + R_g + R_L) \approx 1 - R_g/r_{off} - R_g/R_L$ ; the error due to the switch must be less than  $0.08\%$ , so  $r_{off} > 12.5 \text{ k}\Omega$ .  
 In the off-state (switch on),  $v_o/v_i = r_{on}/(R_g r_{on}/R_L + r_{on} + R_g) \approx 1 - r_{on}/R_g$ ; this must be less than  $10^{-3}$ , hence  $r_{on} < 0.01 \Omega$ .
- 15.3. In the on-state,  $v_o/v_i \approx 1 - R_L/r_{off} - r_{on}/r_{off} - r_{on}/R_L - R_g/R_L$ .  $R_g/R_L$  contributes  $0.02\%$  to the error, so  $0.08\%$  remains for the error terms  $R_g/r_{off}$ ,  $r_{off}/r_{on}$  and  $r_{on}/R_L$ . As  $r_{off} \gg r_{on}$ , the condition is  $R_g/r_{off} + r_{on}/R_L < 0.08\%$ . Equal partitioning of these errors over  $r_{on}$  and  $r_{off}$  results in  $R_g/r_{off} < 4 \cdot 10^{-4}$  and  $r_{on}/R_L < 4 \cdot 10^{-4}$ , so  $r_{off} > 25 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $r_{on} < 20 \Omega$ .  
 In the off-state,  $v_o/v_i \approx r_{on}/r_{off}$ , from which follows:  $r_{off} > 10^3 r_{on}$ ; this requirement is fulfilled with the conditions found before.
- 15.4. Equivalent circuits for the series and shunt switches:



$$i_o / i_i = R_g / (R_g + R_L + r_{on/off}); \quad i_o / i_i = (R_g // r_{on/off}) / (R_g // r_{on/off} + R_L);$$

For the series-shunt configuration:

$$i_o / i_i = \left( 1 + \frac{r_{s1}}{R_g} + \frac{R_L}{r_{s2}} + \frac{r_{s1} R_L}{r_{s2} R_g} + \frac{R_L}{R_g} \right)^{-1},$$

with  $r_{s1} = r_{on}$ ,  $r_{s2} = r_{off}$  or vice versa.

Assuming  $R_g \gg R_L$  and  $r_{off} \gg r_{on}$ , the next table can be derived:

	$r_{on}$	$r_{off}$
series	$\ll R_g$	$\gg R_g$
shunt	$\ll R_L$	$\gg R_L$
series/shunt	$\ll R_g$	$\gg R_L$

- 15.5.  $r_{on} = 2r_d/2r_d = r_d$ . At  $1 \text{ mA}$ ,  $r_d = 25 \Omega$ , so at  $5 \text{ mA}$  this is  $5 \Omega$ .
- 15.6. When the first circuit is the on-state,  $r_{on}$  is in series with the source resistance and  $V_{off}$  is in series with the offset voltage of the operational amplifier. The switch increases



the offset ( $V_{\text{off}} + I_{\text{bias}}r_{\text{on}}$ ) of the system and it increases the load error (relative load error  $-r_{\text{on}}/R_i$ ). In the second circuit, the offset  $V_{\text{off}}$  of the switch is reduced to  $V_{\text{off}}/A$  at the system output point, and the operational amplifier's gain is  $A$ . The on-resistance of the switch only contributes with  $r_{\text{on}}/A$  to the output resistance of the circuit. In view of these parameters, it is the second circuit that is preferred to the first one.

- 15.7. For  $i_s = 0$ ,  $v_{\text{gs}} = 0$  (no current through  $R$ ) so the FET conducts, irrespective of the resistance  $R$ .

For  $i_s = 2 \text{ mA}$ ,  $v_{\text{gs}} = -i_s R$ ; this must be less than  $-6 \text{ V}$ , so  $R > 3 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

- 15.8. To keep the circuit in the on-state, the current through  $R$  must be zero irrespective of  $v_i$ . This is achieved if the diode is reverse biased, so  $v_s > v_{i,\text{max}} - V_d$ , or  $v_s > 3 - 0.6 = 2.4 \text{ V}$ .

In the off-state, for each value of  $v_i$ ,  $v_{\text{gs}}$  must be less than the lowest pinch-off voltage, hence  $v_{\text{gs}} < -6 \text{ V}$ . This occurs when the diode is forward biased, so  $v_s < v_{i,\text{min}} + v_{\text{gs}} - V_d$ , or  $v_s < -3 - 6 - 0.6 = -9.6 \text{ V}$ .

### Circuits with electronic switches

- 15.9. In the on-state,  $r_{\text{on1}}$  is in series with  $R_1$  and  $r_{\text{on2}}$  is in series with  $R_2$ . Furthermore,  $r_{\text{on1}} = r_{\text{on}} \pm \Delta r_{\text{on1}}$ ,  $r_{\text{on2}} = r_{\text{on}} \pm \Delta r_{\text{on2}}$  and  $\Delta r \ll r_{\text{on}}$ .

The differential gain is  $A_v \approx R/(R + r_{\text{on1}})$

The common-mode gain is

$$A_c = \frac{v_{\text{oc}}}{v_{\text{ic}}} = -\frac{R_3}{R_1 + r_{\text{on1}}} + \frac{R_4}{R_2 + R_4 + r_{\text{on2}}} \left( 1 + \frac{R_3}{R_1 + r_{\text{on1}}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{R}{R + r_{\text{on1}}} \left( \frac{r_{\text{on1}} - r_{\text{on2}}}{2R + r_{\text{on2}}} \right) \approx \frac{R}{R + r_{\text{on1}}} \cdot \frac{\pm \Delta r_{\text{on1}} \pm \Delta r_{\text{on2}}}{2R + r_{\text{on2}}}.$$

The CMRR is  $\left| \frac{A_v}{A_g} \right| = \left| \frac{2R + r_{\text{on2}}}{\pm 2\Delta r} \right| = \pm 5050$ .

- 15.10. In the track mode the output voltage at  $v_i = 0$  equals

$$v_o = |V_{\text{off}}| + I_{\text{bias}}(r_{\text{on}} + R_g) = 250 \mu\text{V}.$$

The value of  $C_H$  is not relevant here.

- 15.11.  $dv_o/dt = I/C_H = 1 \text{ V/s}$ .  $T = 1/f = 10 \text{ ms}$ .

After 1 period (10 ms)  $v_o = 8 \text{ V} + 10 \text{ mV}$ ; after 100 periods (1 s)  $v_o = 8 + 1 = 9 \text{ V}$ .

## 16. Signal generation

### Sine wave oscillators

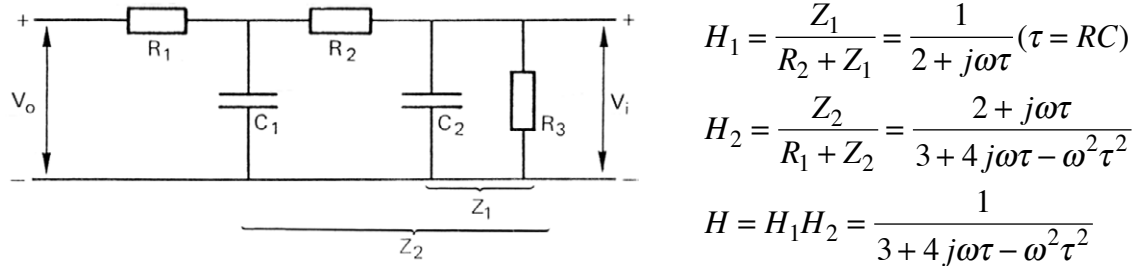
- 16.1. There are three reasons.

a. To start the oscillation: first,  $\alpha$  must be negative to let the amplitude increase up to the required value; then,  $\alpha$  should return to zero.

b. To determine the amplitude: the solution of the differential equation does not depend on the amplitude; it can only be varied by controlling the damping factor  $\alpha$ .

c. To stabilize the amplitude; factor  $\alpha$  is subject to drift, so the amplitude will change even when  $\alpha$  is very close to zero.

- 16.2. Each electronic system generates noise; the noise with frequencies close to the oscillation frequency will be amplified for  $\alpha < 0$ , so the oscillation starts on the system noise.
- 16.3. a. The transfer function of two low-pass RC networks in series and the latter be loaded with  $R_3$  (the input resistance of the integrator) can be deduced from the next figure, where  $v_i$  is the input voltage of the integrator. The transfer is found by applying two times the voltage divider rule (see also Exercise 3.3).



The transfer of the integrator is  $-1/j\omega RC_i$ . The product of both transfers must be 1, hence:  $1/(3 + 4j\omega\tau - \omega^2\tau^2) \cdot (-1/j\omega RC_i) = 1$ . The imaginary part of the left-hand side of this equation is zero, which results in  $\omega^2\tau^2 = 3$  or  $f = \sqrt{3}/2\pi\tau$ . The real part is 1, so  $4\omega^2\tau RC_i = 1$ . This results, together with the expression of  $\omega\tau$  found before, in the condition  $C_i = C/12$ .

b. The voltage at the inverting input terminal of the operational amplifier is  $\beta_1 v_o$ , with  $\beta_1 = R_1/(R_1 + R_2)$ ; the voltage at the non-inverting input is  $\beta_2(\omega)v_o$ , with  $\beta_2(\omega) = j\omega\tau/(1 + 3j\omega\tau - \omega^2\tau^2)$  (see figure 8.10a). Both voltages are equal, so  $\beta_1 = \beta_2(\omega)$ . As  $\beta_1$  is real, the imaginary part of  $\beta_2$  must be zero, hence  $\omega^2\tau^2 = 1$ . So  $\beta_2 = 1/3$ , which is also the value of  $\beta_1$ . Conclusion:  $R_2 = 2R_1$ ;  $\omega = 1/\tau = 1/RC$ .

c. The transfer function of both RC-sections is found to be  $H = (1 - j\omega RC)/(1 + j\omega RC)$ . The oscillation condition is

$$\left( \frac{1 - j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC} \right)^2 \left( -\frac{R_1}{R_2} \right) = 1.$$

$$\text{or: } R_1(1 + 2j\omega RC - \omega^2 R^2 C^2) = -R_2(1 - 2j\omega RC - \omega^2 R^2 C^2)$$

From this it follows that:  $R_1 = R_2$  (constant amplitude);

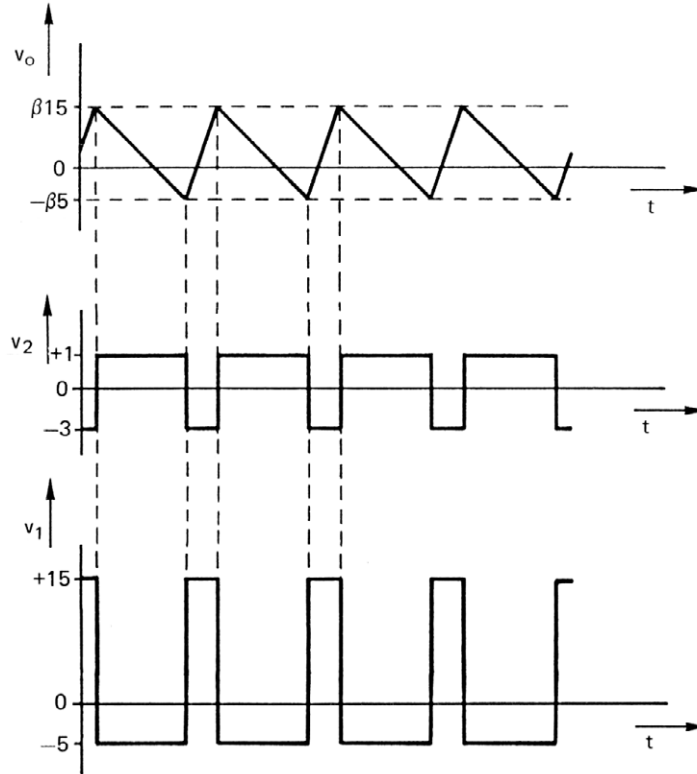
$\omega RC = 1$  (oscillation frequency  $f = 1/2\pi RC$ ).

- 16.4. From the oscillation condition it follows that:  $R_4 = 2R_3$  (see Eq. (16.6), so  $R_{th}(T) = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ .  $R_{th}(T)$  is the resistance value of the NTC when heated up to temperature  $T$ . If  $T_0 = 273 \text{ K}$ , the thermistor has a resistance value of  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$  at  $T = 311 \text{ K}$ . The temperature rise which is  $11 \text{ K}$ , is caused by the dissipated power of  $\Delta T/100 = 100 \text{ mW} = v^2/R_{th}$   
 $\rightarrow \hat{v} = \sqrt{R_{th} \cdot 110 \cdot 10^{-3}} / \sqrt{2}$  so the output amplitude is  $14.8 \text{ V}$ .

### Voltage generators

- 16.5. The amplitude of  $v_2$  remains the same, as does the slope of  $v_o$ . The voltage  $v_o$  increases (or decreases) up to (or down to) the switching levels of the Schmitt-trigger. At increasing  $R_1$ , the hysteresis increases too, so the frequency of the output decreases and the amplitude increases.

- 16.6. During the upgoing part of  $v_o$ ,  $v_2$  is negative hence  $v_1$  is positive ( $v_1 = V^+ = 15$  V); during the downgoing part  $v_1$  is negative ( $v_1 = V^- = -5$  V). The slope is  $-v_2/R_5C = +(R_4/R_3)v_1/R_5C$ . The duty cycle is found from the ratio between the charge and the discharge time intervals, so it is the ratio between the slope values. This is 3; the duty cycle of  $v_1$  is  $1:4 = 25\%$ , that of  $v_2$  (the inverse of  $v_1$ ) is  $75\%$ .



- 16.7. Amplitude: the positive peak is  $\beta V^+ = 7.5$  V; the negative peak is  $\beta V^- = -2.5$  V, which means that there is a peak value of 10 V.

Average value: the mean of the peak values, so  $v_{o,m} = \frac{1}{2}(\beta V^+ + \beta V^-) = 2.5$  V.

Frequency: the upgoing slope is  $3/R_5C = 3 \cdot 10^3$  V/s. The time period of this part is  $10(V)/3 \cdot 10^3 (V/s) = 10/3$  ms. The time interval of the downgoing part is three times as much, so  $40/3$  ms. The frequency is  $3/40$  kHz = 74 Hz.

- 16.8.  $V_{ref1}$  is negative; when the switch is on,  $v_o$  increases linearly in time up to a positive value that is determined by the upper switching level of the Schmitt-trigger. This level amounts to

$$V_{ref2} = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} + v_s \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2};$$

for the upper level,  $v_s = V^+ = 18$  V, hence the peak value of the ramp voltage is  $v_t = 7 \cdot (12/15.9) + 18 \cdot (3.9/15.9) \approx 9.7$  V. The lower switching level is 2.3 V. The slope is  $V_{ref1}/RC$ ; after 1 ms, the peak value should be reached, hence  $(V_{ref1}/RC) \cdot 10^{-3} = 9.7$ , thus  $R = 10.3$  k $\Omega$ .

- 16.9. When the switch goes on,  $v_o$  is equal to the voltage at the negative input terminal of the operational amplifier, which is zero (virtually grounded). For an average ramp voltage equal to zero, the non-inverting input of the operational amplifier should be connected to a voltage source the value of which is equal to the average value of the current situation, hence  $-\frac{1}{2}v_t = -4.85$  V.

- 16.10. Due to the turn-on delay time of the switch,  $v_o$  continues rising during 2 ms after having reached the upper switching level of the Schmitt-trigger, with the same slope  $V_{\text{refl}}/RC = 1000$  V/s. The peak of 9.7 V is reached after 9.7 ms; the switch goes on after 11.7 ms, corresponding to a frequency of 85.5 Hz. The amplitude is  $1000 \cdot 11.7 \cdot 10^{-3} =$  thus 11.7 V.
- 16.11. Take a positive reference voltage  $V_{\text{refl}}$ , combined with a voltage source in series with the non-inverting input terminal of the operational amplifier that acts as an integrator; the latter should have a value that exceeds the negative switching level of the Schmitt-trigger. The switch control circuit should turn on the switch at a voltage  $v_s = V^+ = 18$  V, and turn it off for lower values.
- 16.12. Except for the first period after switching on the circuit,  $v_c$  satisfies the equations (see section 8.1.1):

$$\text{upgoing part:} \quad v = (V^+ - \beta V^-)(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) + \beta V^- \quad (1)$$

$$\text{downgoing part:} \quad v = (\beta V^+ - V^-)e^{-t/\tau} + V^- \quad (2)$$

Here, the switching occurs at  $t = 0$ . Equation (1) is valid up to  $v_c = \beta V^+$ ; if one assumes that this happens at  $t = \tau_1$ , then:  $\beta V^+ = (V^+ - \beta V^-)(1 - e^{-\tau_1/\tau}) + \beta V^-$ , from which follows:

$$-e^{-\tau_1/\tau} = \frac{\beta V^+ - V^+}{V^+ - \beta V^-}, \text{ or: } \tau_1 = \tau \ln \frac{V^+ - \beta V^-}{V^+ - \beta V^+}.$$

Similarly, in the case of the downgoing voltage:

$$\tau_2 = \tau \ln \frac{\beta V^+ - V^-}{\beta V^- - V^-}.$$

The duty cycle is  $\tau_1/(\tau_1 + \tau_2)$ , hence, for a duty cycle of 50%,  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$ . Thus  $V^+ = V^-$ , independent of  $\beta$ .

## 17. Modulation

### *Amplitude modulation and demodulation*

- 17.1. See Section 17.1.2 and Figure 17.4; see also Figure 17.1(f)
- 17.2. The frequency spectrum of a symmetrical triangular wave contains the fundamental frequency and its odd harmonics, so  $(2n + 1) \cdot 100$  Hz ( $n$  is an integer). Modulation produces sum- and difference frequencies of the carrier frequency (5 kHz) and the input signal, which is why the modulated signal is composed of components with frequencies 4900 and 5100 Hz, 4700 and 5300 Hz, 4500 and 5500 Hz and so on.
- 17.3. The signal bands may not overlap. The bandwidth of one modulated signal is the width over the two side bands, so  $2 \cdot 500 = 1000$  Hz per channel. The system bandwidth should be  $12 \cdot 1000 = 12$  kHz.
- 17.4. Assume  $v_i = \hat{v}_i \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$ . The bridge output voltage is  $v_o = v_i(\Delta R/R)$ , so  $\hat{v}_o = \hat{v}_i(\Delta R/R)$ . After amplification by a factor  $A$  and multiplication with the synchronous signal  $v_s = \hat{v}_s \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$ , the result is signal  $A\hat{v}_o \cos(\omega t + \varphi)\hat{v}_s \cos(\omega t + \varphi) = A(\Delta R/R)\hat{v}_i\hat{v}_s[\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2(\omega t + \varphi))]$   
The DC component is  $\frac{1}{2} A\hat{v}_i\hat{v}_s(\Delta R/R) = 2$  V. For  $\Delta R/R = -10^{-5}$ , this is  $-2$  V.

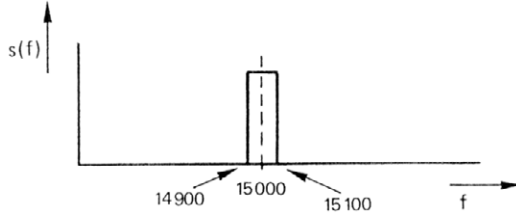
- 17.5. The amplified output signal  $A\hat{v}_o$  is multiplied by  $s(t)$ . Only the term  $\cos \omega t$  produces a DC voltage (difference frequency zero). This part of the product equals

$$A\hat{v}_o \cos \omega t \cdot \frac{4}{\pi} \cos \omega t = A \frac{4}{\pi} \hat{v}_o \left[ \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\omega t) \right]$$

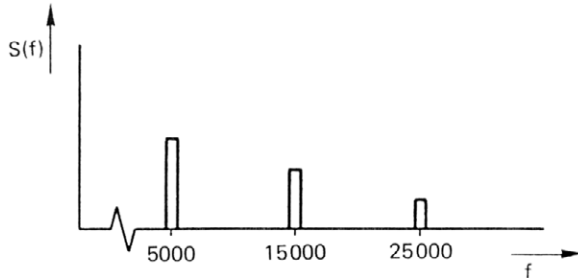
The DC component is  $(2/\pi)A\hat{v}_i(\Delta R/R) = 2/\pi$  V, or  $-2/\pi$  V.

*Systems based on synchronous detection*

- 17.6. All components multiplied by the reference signal of 15 kHz and resulting in a frequency below 100 Hz contribute to the output signal. These are components within the frequency band of 14900 to 15100 Hz.



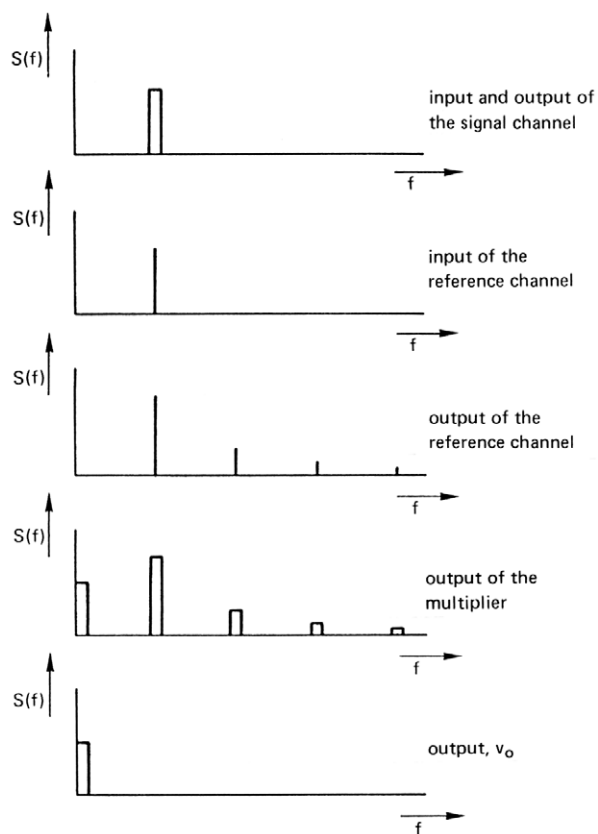
- 17.7. The quality factor of a bandpass filter is defined as the ratio between the resonance frequency and the bandwidth (Section 13.2.1). According to this definition, the quality factor of the synchronous detector amounts to  $15000/200 = 75$ .
- 17.8.  $s(t)$  contains the fundamental frequency  $1/T = 5$  kHz and odd harmonics. All components in  $v_p$  multiplied by  $s(t)$  and resulting in a frequency below 200 Hz contribute to the output signal. These are components within the frequency bands 4800–5200 Hz, 14800–15200 Hz, 24800–25200 Hz, and so on.



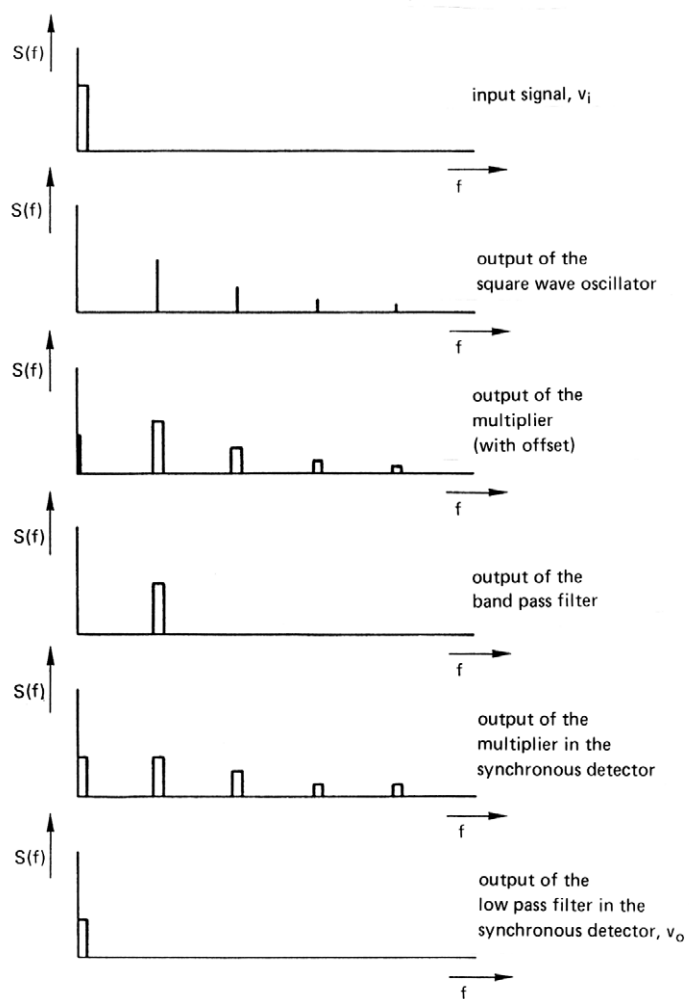
As the amplitude of the components in  $s(t)$  is inversely proportional to the frequency, the height of the bands is also inversely proportional to the frequency.

- 17.9. At constant VCO frequency, the input signal of  $H$  equals  $v_i = \hat{v}_i \cos \omega t$ , and the output signal is  $|H|\hat{v}_i \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$ , with  $\varphi = \arg H$ . Synchronous detection with  $v_i$  produces the y-signal  $v_y = \frac{1}{2}|H|\hat{v}_i^2 \cos \varphi$ ; synchronous detection with a  $\pi/2$  rad shifted input signal ( $v_i \sin \omega t$ ) produces the x-signal  $v_x = \frac{1}{2}|H|\hat{v}_i^2 \sin \varphi$ . As  $|H| \cos \varphi = \operatorname{Re}(H)$  and  $|H| \sin \varphi = \operatorname{Im}(H)$ , the screen shows the value of  $H$  at frequency  $\omega$  in the complex plane. When the frequency of the VCO is controlled by a ramp generator, the spot on the screen describes the polar plot of  $H$  (see section 6.2). A periodic ramp results in a continuous, stable picture on the screen.
- 17.10. There are no requirements for the reference voltage, because the comparator produces a fixed output amplitude. If the comparator is omitted, the output of the synchronous detector depends on the amplitude of  $V_{\text{ref}}$ . This should have an accurate, stable value.

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17.12.



## 18. Digital-to-analogue and analogue-to-digital conversion

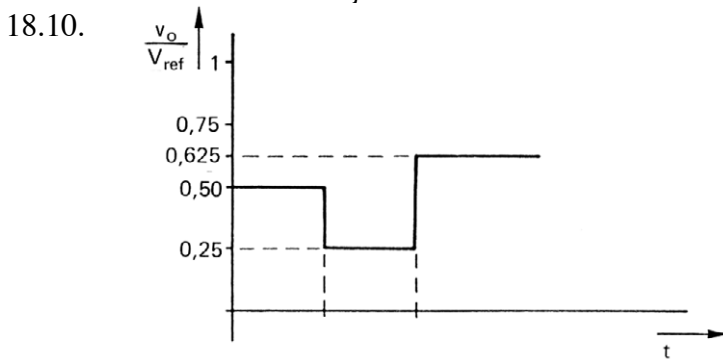
### Parallel converters

18.1	binary	1010111	101111111	100000001	10001111	100010001	1101111	1001001
	octal	127	577	401	217	421	157	111
	decimal	87	383	257	143	273	111	73
	hexadecimal	57	17F	101	8F	111	6F	49

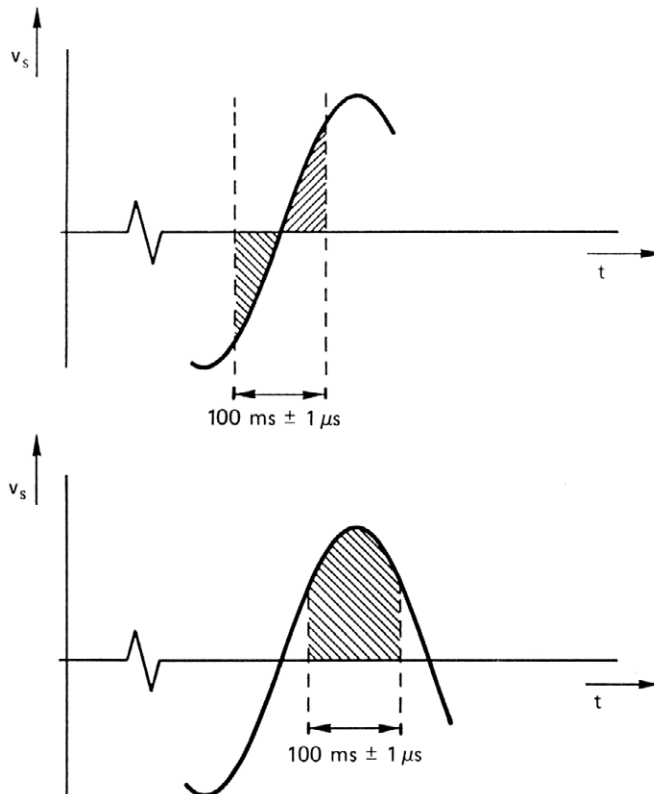
- 18.2. The MSB is equivalent to 5 V; each next bit is half the preceding bit, so  $v_o = 5 + 2.5 + 1.25 + 0.625 + 0.3125 = 9.6875$  V.
- 18.3.  $1 \text{ LSB} = 1/2^{12} \approx 250 \text{ ppm}$  ( $= 250 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ). Over a temperature range of  $80^\circ$  the inaccuracy amounts to  $80 \cdot 2 = 160 \text{ ppm}$ , corresponds to  $160/250 = 0.64 \text{ LSB}$ .
- 18.4. See Section 18.1.2.
- 18.5. Electronic switches have well-defined and stable on and off states; other electronic parameters are much less stable.
- 18.6. The acquisition time for 1 bit is about  $1/f = 5 \mu\text{s}$ ; a 10-bit word requires  $50 \mu\text{s}$ .
- 18.7.  $v_o = G V_{\text{ref}}$ ;  $V_{\text{ref}}$  is the factor by which  $G$  (the input voltage of the DAC) is multiplied.
- 18.8. The two diodes connected in anti-parallel limit the input voltage of the operational amplifier to  $+0.6$  and  $-0.6$  V, and protect the input circuit against overvoltage.

### Special converters

- 18.9. One bit requires  $1 \mu\text{s}$ ; ignoring other delay times in the circuit, the conversion time of a 14-bit word is  $14 \mu\text{s}$ .



- 18.11. The output code in the ideal case is 001 (MSB = 0; LSB = 1). The input voltages of the three comparators are  $v_i = 0.630$  V,  $v'_i = 1.260$  V and  $v''_i = 2.520$  V. These voltages are compared with  $\frac{1}{2} V_{\text{ref}} = 2.500$  V.
- a. The comparators are accurate up to  $\pm 6$  mV; in all cases the input voltage difference is more than 6 mV (minimum 20 mV), hence the code is correct.
- b.  $v'_i = 2(v_i + V_{\text{off}})$ ;  $v''_i = 2(v'_i + V_{\text{off}}) = 4v_i + 6V_{\text{off}}$ ;  $v''_i$  can be between  $(2520 + 36)$  mV and  $(2520 - 36)$  mV. In the last case the LSB can have the incorrect value of 0.
- c.  $v'_i = (2 \pm 0.01)v_i$ ;  $v''_i = (2 \pm 0.01)v'_i \approx (4 \pm 0.04)v_i$ .  $v''_i$  lies between  $(2520 + 25.2)$  mV and  $(2520 - 25.2)$  mV. In the latter case the LSB can have the incorrect value of 0. Apparently, the error depends on the value of  $v_i$ .
- 18.12. During the integration of both  $v_i$  and  $V_{\text{ref}}$  the frequency remains the same; the only requirement is a stable frequency during the conversion time.
- 18.13. The integration period is not exactly a multiple (here 5) of the interference signal period. There are two extreme cases:



The second situation shows the largest hatched area; the error equals one of these areas ( $10^{-6} \text{ Vs}$ ) so  $\pm 10^{-5}$  (a constant input signal of 1 V that is integrated during 100 ms results in an indication of just 1 V).

## 19. Digital electronics

### Digital components

- 19.1.
- $x + xy = x$  (absorption law)
  - $\bar{x} + xy = (\bar{x} + x)(\bar{x} + y)$  (distributive law)  
 $= 1 \cdot (\bar{x} + y) = \bar{x} + y$  (negation law and modulus law)
  - $\bar{x} + \bar{x}\bar{y} = \bar{x} + (\bar{x} + \bar{y})$  (De Morgan's theorem)  
 $= \bar{x} + \bar{y}$  (law of equality)
  - $x \cdot (x \oplus y) = x \cdot (x\bar{y} + \bar{x}y)$  (can be proved with a truth table)  
 $= x\bar{y} + x\bar{x}y$  (distributive law)  
 $= x\bar{y} + 0 \cdot y$  (law of equality and negation law)  
 $= x\bar{y}$  (modulus law)
  - $x \cdot (y + z) + x \cdot \bar{y} \cdot \bar{z} = \overline{x \cdot (y + z) + x \cdot (y + z)}$  (De Morgan's theorem)  
 $= x \cdot (y + z + y + z)$  (distributive law)  
 $= x \cdot 1 = x$  (negation law and modulus law).
- 19.2.
- | $a$ | $b$ | $a \oplus b$ | $ab(a \oplus b)$ |
|-----|-----|--------------|------------------|
| 0   | 0   | 0            | 0                |
| 0   | 1   | 1            | 0                |
| 1   | 0   | 0            | 0                |
| 1   | 1   | 0            | 0                |
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$a$	$b$	$c$	$u = a + \bar{b} + \bar{c}$	$v = \bar{a} + \bar{b} + c$	$w = b + c$	$uvw$
0	0	0	1	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

- 19.3.  $u = 1$  only if  $a = 1$  and  $b = 0$ ;  $v = 0$  only if  $\bar{v} = 1$ , thus if  $b = 1$  and  $a = 0$ ;  $w = 1$  only if  $\bar{w} = 0$ , thus if  $a = b = c = 0$ . Furthermore,  $y = 0$  only if  $v = w = 0$ , and  $x = 1$  only if  $u = y = 1$ .

$a$	$b$	$c$	$u$	$v$	$w$	$y$	$x$
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0

- 19.4. From the truth table it appears that this flipflop only has a set and reset function. So the input combination  $j = k = 1$  of the JK-flipflop must be made impossible. This can be achieved, for instance, by making  $k$  the inverse of  $j$ , using a NOT-gate:  $D = J = \bar{K}$  ( $D$  is the input).

### Logic circuits

- 19.5. For  $e = 1$  at least one of the inputs of each AND gate is 0, so all outputs are 0;  $y = 0$  irrespective of the other input values (indicated by – in the table).

The AND gates act as switches for  $d_n$ . The output is 0 for  $d_n = 0$  and 1 if  $d_n$  and the other four inputs are 1. This is only true for  $e = 1$  and just one combination of  $s_0$ ,  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ , which is different for each gate.

$e$	$s_2$	$s_1$	$s_0$	$y$
1	–	–	–	0
0	0	0	0	$d_0$
0	0	0	1	$d_1$
0	0	1	0	$d_2$
0	0	1	1	$d_3$
0	1	0	0	$d_4$
0	1	0	1	$d_5$
0	1	1	0	$d_6$
0	1	1	1	$d_7$

- 19.6. The number of gates connected in series increases with increasing numbers of bits, so that the total delay time increases, in particular for the MSB. Further, the signals are subject to different delay times, so the outputs make several transitions before reaching the steady state.
- 19.7.  $FF_0$  is in the toggle mode ( $J = K = 1$ ).  $FF_1$  is in the toggle mode if  $a_0 = 0$ . The modes of  $FF_2$  are listed in the table below.

$a_0$	$a_1$	$J \quad K$		$q$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_2$	decimal value
0	0	0	0	(hold)	1	1	0	3
0	1	0	1	(reset)	0	0	1	4
1	0	0	0	(hold)	1	0	1	5
1	1	1	0	(set)	0	1	1	6
					1	1	0	3
					0	0	1	4
					1	0	1	5
					.	.	.	.
					.	.	.	.
					.	.	.	.

The flipflops are of the master-slave type, so the values of  $J$  and  $K$  at the start of the clock pulse determine the output at the end of the clock pulse.

## 20. Measurement instruments

### *Electronic measurement instruments*

- 20.1. The three meters are calibrated for the rms value of sine wave voltages. The correcting factor of meter B is  $\pi\sqrt{2}/4 \approx 1.11$  (see also Section 2.1.2). Meter C indicates the peak value of a sine wave, when not corrected for rms values. The correction factor is thus  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}$ .
- Sine wave: all meters indicate the correct value:  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \cdot 10 = 7.07$  V.
  - Square wave: the rms value, the mean of the modulus and the mean of the clamped voltage are all equal to the peak value; the indication of the meters is therefore: A: 10 V; B:  $1.11 \cdot 10 = 11.1$  V; C:  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \cdot 10 = 7.07$  V.
  - Triangle: A triangular voltage whose peak value is  $\hat{v}$  has an rms value of  $(1/3)\sqrt{3} \cdot \hat{v}$ ; the mean of its modulus is  $\frac{1}{2}\hat{v}$  and the mean of the clamped voltage is equal to the peak value. The indicated values are thus: A:  $(1/3)\sqrt{3} \cdot 10 = 5.77$  V; B:  $1.11 \cdot 5 = 5.55$  V and C:  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \cdot 10 = 7.07$  V.
- 20.2. In the two-wire mode, the resistances of the wires are included in the measured value  $R + 2r$ , with  $r$  the resistance of a single wire. For small values of  $R$ , the error would be unacceptably large. In the four-wire mode, a current is applied to the resistance through one pair of wires, whereas the voltage is measured via two other wires. The current through these latter wires is zero, so their resistance is not relevant; neither is the resistance of the first pair of wires, because the voltage is measured across the leads of the resistor.

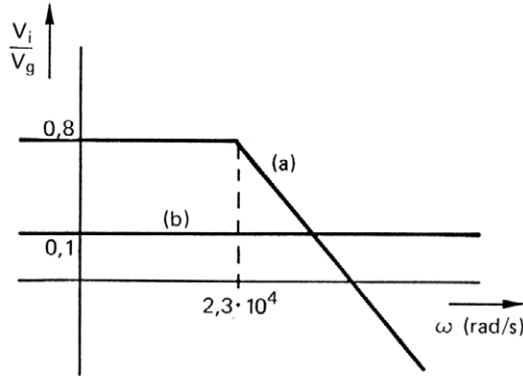
20.3. See Section 20.1.2. When a large time base period is chosen, the images appear clearly one after another.

20.4. The transfer of the circuit in Figure 20.6a is:

$$\frac{v_i}{v_g} = \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_g} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + j\omega R_p C_s},$$

where  $R_p = R_i // R_g = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $C_s = C_i + C_k = 216 \text{ pF}$ .

At low frequencies, the transfer is  $1/1.25 = 0.8$ . The break point of the characteristic is  $\omega_k = 1/R_p C_s = 2.3 \cdot 10^4 \text{ rad/s}$ , corresponding with  $3661 \text{ Hz}$ .



The transfer of the circuit depicted in Figure 20.6b is, under the condition  $R_g \ll R$ :

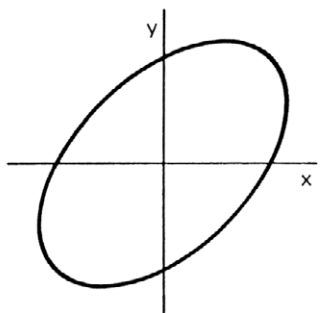
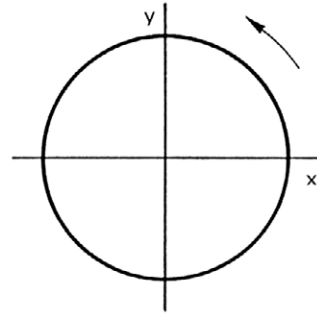
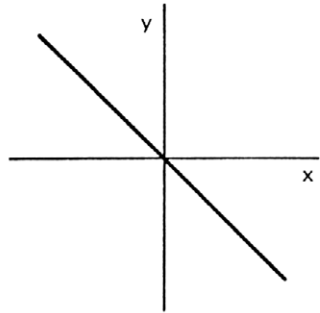
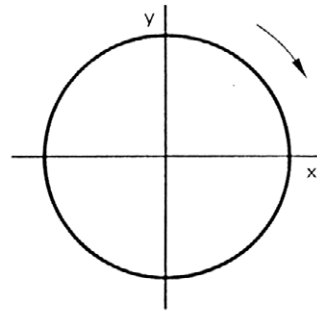
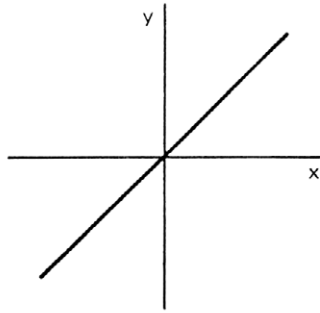
$$\frac{v_i}{v_g} = \frac{R_i}{R_i + R} \cdot \frac{1 + j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega R'_p C'_s},$$

with  $R'_p = R_i // R = 0.9 \text{ M}\Omega$  and  $C'_s = C_k + C_i + C = 240 \text{ pF}$ .

Apparently,  $RC = R'_p C'_s$ , so the transfer does not depend on the frequency, and it equals  $R_i/(R_i + R) = 0.1$ .

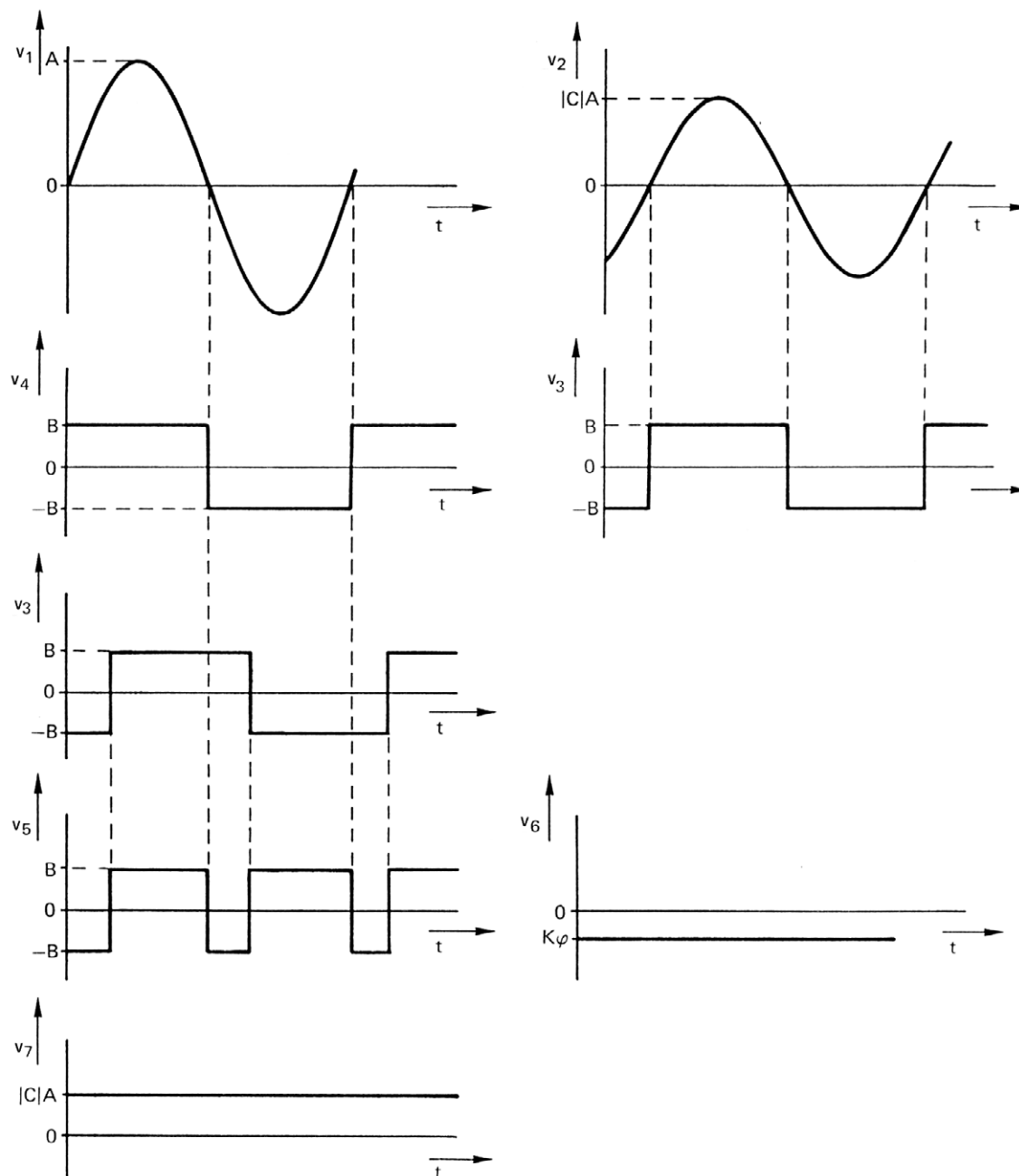
20.5. Without the attenuator the signal transfer is frequency dependent, corresponding with a low-pass characteristic. This results in the first of the three pictures (see also figure 8.3). The transfer is compensated by a network with a high-pass characteristic (with adjustable capacitance). Too high capacitance results in overcompensation, depicted in the middle of the figure. Only at correct compensation, the transfer is independent of the frequency; this will correspond to the rightmost picture.

20.6.



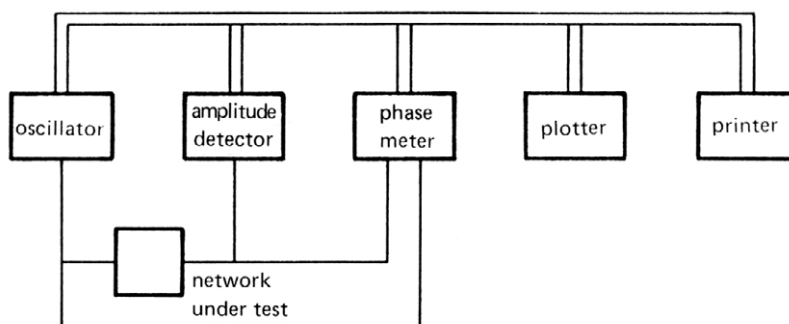
- 20.7. Logical circuits produce binary signals (0 or 1; high or low). A synchronous noise signal produces a random value (0 or 1) after each clock pulse. There are also noise generators with random transition time.

20.8.



## Computer-based measurement instruments

20.9.



a.

- b. Four decades, spread over 40 cm with a resolution of 0.4 mm means 1000 steps for a factor of  $10^4$ , or  $\sqrt[1000]{10^4} \approx 1.01$  for each step.
- c. 20 cm with a resolution of 0.4 mm means 500 steps; for 40 dB: 0.08 dB per step.

- d. 500 steps to cover  $2\pi$  rad:  $2\pi/500 = 0.0126$  rad =  $0.72^\circ$  per step.
- 20.10. See Section 20.2.1.2.
- 20.11. See Figure 20.14.
- 20.10. See Section 20.2.3.

## 21. Measurement errors

### *Types of measurement errors*

- 21.1. a. The absolute error is  $0.01 \cdot (788 + 742) = 15.3$  mV.  
The relative error is  $\frac{15.3}{788 - 742} = \frac{15.3}{46} = 33.3\%$
- b. The differential voltage is 46 mV; the relative error is 1%; the absolute error is 1% of 46 mV, which is 0.46 mV.
- 21.2. a. The first measurement value shows a deviation of a factor of 10, probably due to a reading mistake. This value will be disregarded. As the measurement is performed repeatedly with the same instrument, systematic errors cannot be recognized. Obviously there are random errors.
- b. The best estimation is the mean (of the four remaining values):  $I_m = 24.86/4 = 6.215$  mA. A better notation is 6.2 mA, according to the fluctuations.
- c. The random error can be lowered by a larger number of measurements. Systematic errors cannot be reduced by this method.
- d. The best estimation of the current value is 6.25 mA, the middle of the tolerance band. The difference between this and the best estimation from the first series of measurements is 0.035 mA. Apparently, the first measurement is subject to a systematic error of about 0.04 mA.
- 21.3.  $v_o = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} \cdot v_i = -\frac{100}{3.9} \cdot 0.2 = -5.128$  V.  
The additive error due to  $V_{\text{off}}$  and  $I_{\text{bias}}$  is:  
$$\Delta v_o = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) V_{\text{off}} + I_{\text{bias}} R_2 = 40 \text{ mV} + 10 \text{ mV} = 50 \text{ mV}.$$
The multiplicative error due to tolerances of  $v_i$ ,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  amounts to:  
$$\frac{\Delta v_o}{v_o} = \frac{\Delta R_1}{R_1} + \frac{\Delta R_2}{R_2} + \frac{\Delta v_i}{v_i} = 0.5 + 0.5 + 0.2 = 1.2\%.$$
The maximum error is  $50 + 0.012 \cdot 5.13 \cdot 10^3 = 112$  mV. The output voltage has a value somewhere between  $-5.242$  and  $-5.018$  V. The correct indication of the output voltage is  $-5.13 \pm 0.11$  V.
- 21.4. a. The measured (nominal) resistance is  $R = V_o/I_1 = 75 \Omega$ .  
The multiplicative error is:  $\Delta R/R = \Delta v_o/v_o + \Delta I/I = 0.5 + 0.5 = \pm 1\% \equiv 0.75 \Omega$ , with  $\Delta v_o/v_o$  the relative error in  $v_o$ .  
The total resistance of the two connection wires is between 0 and 6  $\Omega$ , denoted as  $3 \pm 3 \Omega$ .  
The additive error is  $\pm(\Delta V_o/I_1) + 2(r \pm \Delta r) = \pm 0.5 + (3 \pm 3) = 3 \pm 3.5 \Omega$ , where  $\Delta V_o$  is the absolute error in  $V_o$ . In total:  $R = 75 - 3 \pm 4.25 = 72 \pm 4.25 \Omega$ .
- b.  $V_o = I_1(R + r_1) - I_2 r_3$ ; assuming that  $I_1 r_1 = I_2 r_3$ ,  $V_o$  equals  $I_1 R$ , so the (nominal) resistance is  $R = V_o/I_1 = 70 \Omega$ .

The multiplicative error is (as in a.):  $\pm 1\% \equiv \pm 0.7 \Omega$ .

The additive error is:

$$\frac{\Delta V_o}{I_1} + \frac{\Delta(I_1 r_1 - I_2 r_3)}{I_1} = \frac{\Delta V_o}{I_1} + \frac{2(I\Delta r + r\Delta I)}{I}$$

$$\approx \frac{\Delta V_o}{I_1} \pm 2\Delta r = \pm 0.5 \pm 2 = \pm 2.5 \Omega$$

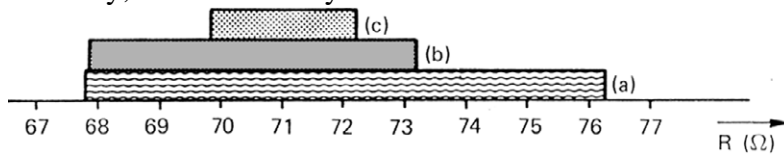
Thus  $R = 70 \Omega \pm 3.2 \Omega$ .

c. Nominal value:  $V_o = I_1 R$ , thus  $R = V_o/I_1 = 71 \Omega$ .

Multiplicative error (as in a.):  $\pm 1\% \equiv \pm 0.71 \Omega$ .

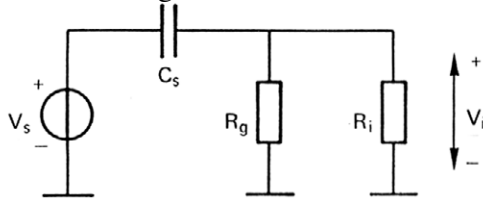
Additive error:  $\pm \Delta V_o/I_1 \equiv \pm 0.5 \Omega$ , so  $R = 71 \Omega \pm 1.2 \Omega$ .

The three measurement methods for the same resistance value have ascending accuracy, as illustrated by the tolerance bands below.



### Measurement interference

21.5. The transfer from the error source to the input of the measurement system can be deduced using the circuit model shown below.



Applying the rules for the complex variables we find:

$$V_i = \frac{R_p}{1/j\omega C_s + R_p} V_s = \frac{j\omega R_p C_s}{1 + j\omega R_p C_s} V_s, \text{ with } R_p = R_g // R_i$$

In all cases,  $\omega R_p C_s \ll 1$  ( $\omega = 2\pi f \approx 314$ ;  $R_p < 10^7$  and  $C_s < 10^{-13}$ ) so:  $V_i = j\omega R_p C_s V_s$ .

The rms value of the input voltage due to  $V_s$  becomes:  $V_i = 2\pi f R_p C_s V_s$ . As the peak values are identical to the amplitudes (mean value is zero) the peak value of the input voltage is  $\hat{v}_i = 2\pi f R_p C_s \hat{v}_s$ .

The input voltage due to the signal source  $V_g$  is

$$\frac{R_i}{R_i + R_g} V_g = 0.99 V_g.$$

The signal-to-noise ratio is the ratio between the rms values of the input voltages due to  $V_g$  and  $V_s$ , respectively.

a. In the case of a disconnected signal source,  $R_p = R_i$ . So the peak value of  $V_i$  is:  $\hat{v}_i = 2\pi \cdot 50 \cdot 10^7 \cdot 10^{-13} \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot 220 \text{ mV} \approx 97.7 \text{ mV}$ .

b. For a connected signal source,  $R_p = R_g // R_i = 99 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The rms value and the peak value of  $V_i$  (due to  $V_s$ ) are found to be:  $2\pi \cdot 50 \cdot 99 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 10^{-13} \cdot 220 = 0.68 \text{ mV}$  and  $0.97 \text{ mV}$ , respectively.

The signal-to-noise ratio becomes:  $\frac{0.99 \cdot 100 \cdot 10^{-3}}{0.68 \cdot 10^{-3}} = 146$ .

c. The capacitance is reduced to  $0.01C_s = 10^{-15}$  F, resulting in an input voltage with rms value of  $2\pi \cdot 50 \cdot 10^7 \cdot 10^{-15} \cdot 220 = 0.69$  mV and a peak value of 0.98 mV.

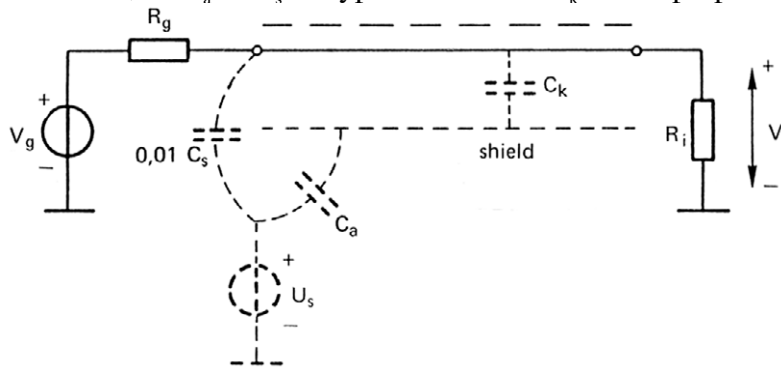
d. Similar to b., the rms value and the peak value of the input voltage (due to  $V_s$ ) are found to be:

$2\pi \cdot 50 \cdot 99 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 10^{-15} \cdot 220 = 6.84$   $\mu$ V and  $9.68$   $\mu$ V, respectively. The corresponding signal-to-noise ratio is

$$\frac{0.99 \cdot 100 \cdot 10^{-3}}{6.84 \cdot 10^{-6}} = 14\,469.$$

e. The next figure shows a model of the situation: a capacitance between the error voltage source and the signal conductor (here  $0.01C_s$ ); a capacitance between the error voltage source and the shield ( $C_a$ ) and a capacitance between the shield and the signal conductor (the cable capacitance  $C_k$ ).

Usually, the dimensions of the shield are much greater than those of the signal conductor, so  $C_a \gg C_s$ . A typical value for  $C_k$  is 100 pF per meter of cable length.



When the shield is grounded,  $C_a$  has no effect: error injection only occurs via  $0.01C_s$ .  $C_k$  is parallel to  $R_i$ , resulting in a low-pass signal transfer  $V_i/V_g$  (see also Figure 20.6), with a break point at 16.1 kHz (for  $C_k = 100$  pF). If this is not acceptable, a buffer amplifier can be connected near to the signal source, or active guarding can be applied.

When the shield is not grounded, the total capacitance between the error voltage source and the signal conductor is  $0.01C_s // (C_a \text{ in series with } C_k)$  or:

$$0.01C_s + \frac{C_a C_k}{C_a + C_k}$$

Usually,  $C_a$  is much larger than  $C_s$ , so the capacitance between the error voltage source and the signal conductor is much larger compared to a non-shielded conductor. Hence, the error voltage of a floating shield is larger than when there is no shield at all.

- 21.6. a. The mains filter behaves as a low-pass filter for signals between the conductors and the ground as well as for signals between the conductors. All frequency components above 50 Hz should be filtered out.
- b. Because of the symmetry of the configuration, the voltage between the instrument case and the ground is just half the voltage of that between the two mains connections, hence 110 V.