

Reverse Classroom: Op Amps Quiz 1

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1 Using an Op Amp in Open Loop Mode

We can model an operational amplifier as follows:

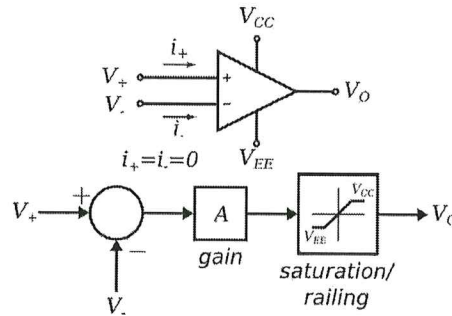


Figure 1: Model of an Operational Amplifier

The op amp has an output voltage that proportional to the difference between the inputs: $V_O = A(V_+ - V_-)$. The “open loop gain” (A) is usually a fairly large value.

However, V_O cannot be more than V_{CC} or less than V_{EE} . That is, the output is constrained by the power supply rails. When the output is limited by the supply voltages, we often say the op amp is “saturated” or “railing.”

1.1 Design

Assume you have the following circuit:

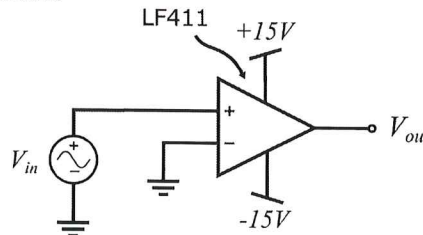


Figure 2: An Operational Amplifier Circuit

The LF411 op amp has a typical open loop gain of 200,000. What is the maximum peak-to-peak input voltage V_{in} you can apply in this circuit without causing the output voltage V_{out} to be clipped?

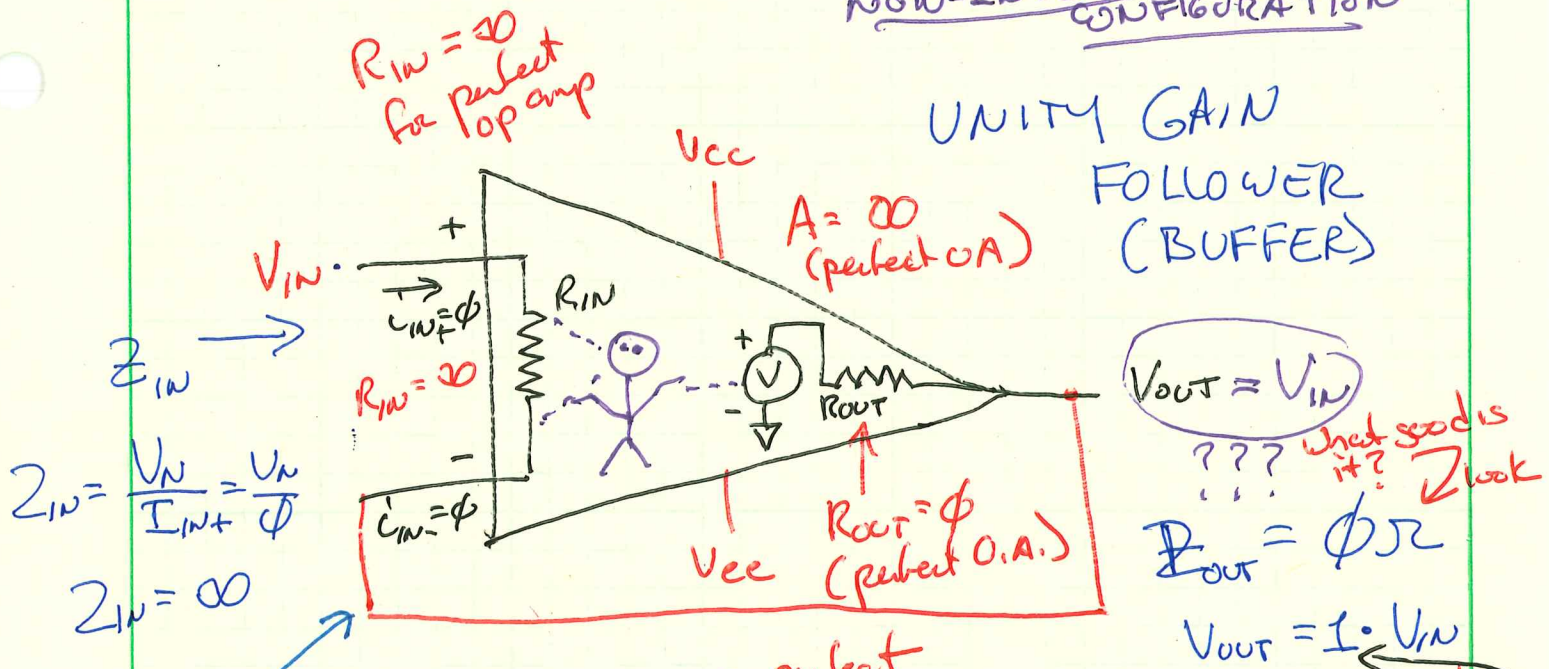
$$+15 \text{ to } -15 \Rightarrow \frac{30 \text{ V PP}}{200,000} = 150 \mu\text{V Peak to Peak}$$

Now complete Lab 6 through part 6L.2

not very useful
since we may have
larger signals (and
 A is not well
controlled)

NON-INVERTING CONFIGURATION

UNITY GAIN
FOLLOWER
(BUFFER)



Golden Rules for perfect Op Amps

- 1) if there is negative feedback
 - 2) if 1) is true the op amp will try to keep the V_- input $= V_+$ input
- add negative feedback "close the loop" to make op amp useful
- check to make sure this is true first!
- expected closed loop gain

$$V_{CC} \leq V_{OUT} \leq V_{CC}$$

$$V_{CC} \leq V_+ \text{ and } V_- \leq V_{CC}$$

Actual (non perfect) Op amp

$$V_+ = V_{IN}$$

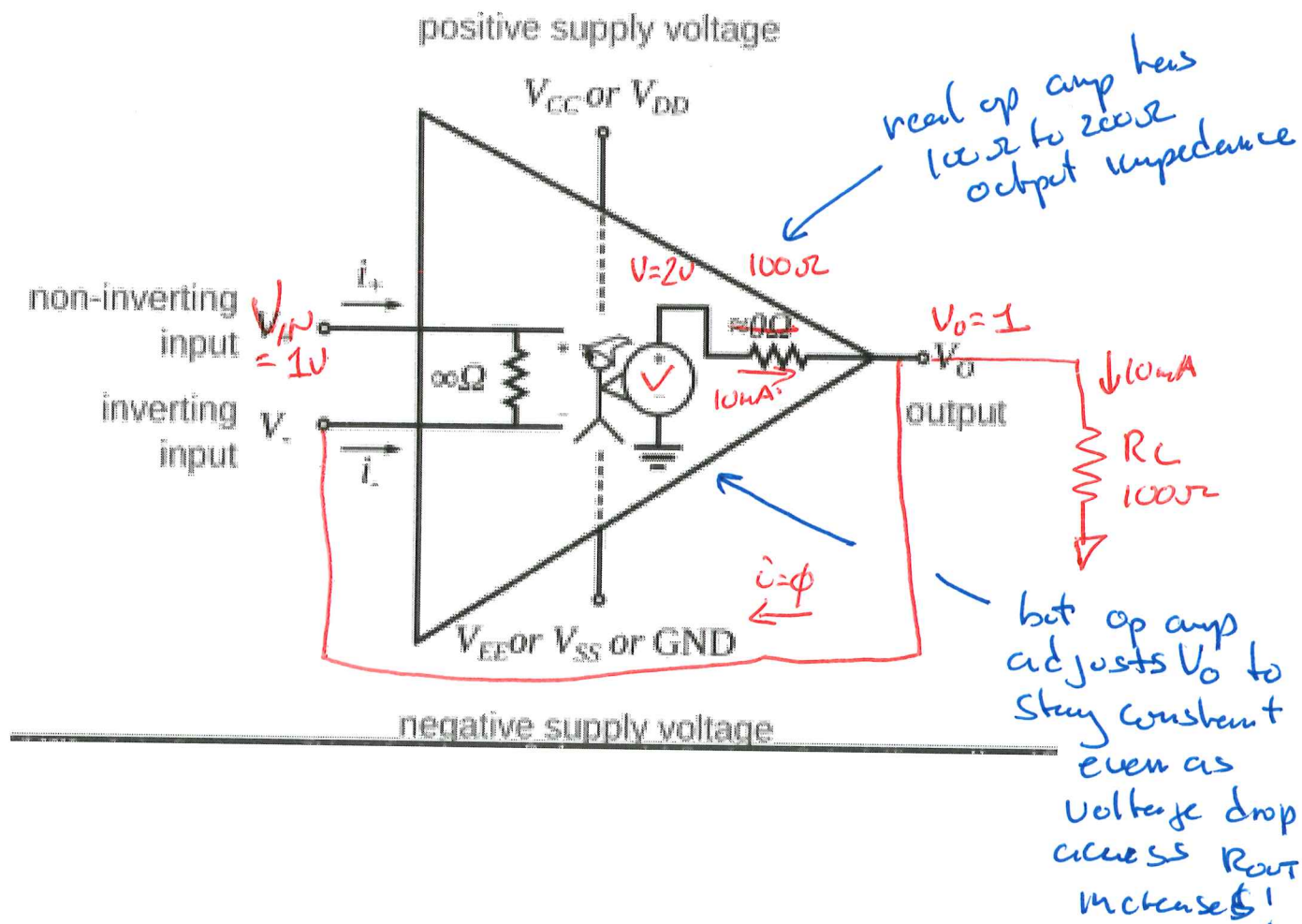
$$V_- = V_{OUT} = A(V_+ - V_-)$$

$$V_{OUT} = A(V_{IN} - V_{OUT})$$

$$V_{OUT} (1 + A) = A V_{IN}$$

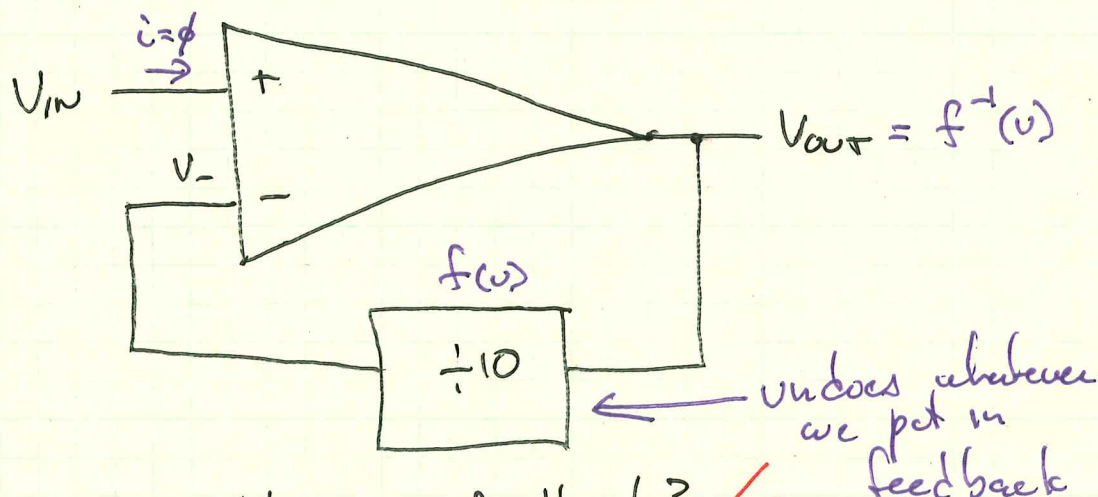
$$\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = \frac{A}{1 + A} = \frac{200,000}{200,001} = 0.999995$$

pretty close to perfect O.A.



How large open loop gain
of op amp makes actual
output $\approx$ of op amp negligible

How about this circuit?



is there neg feedback? ✓ yes

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

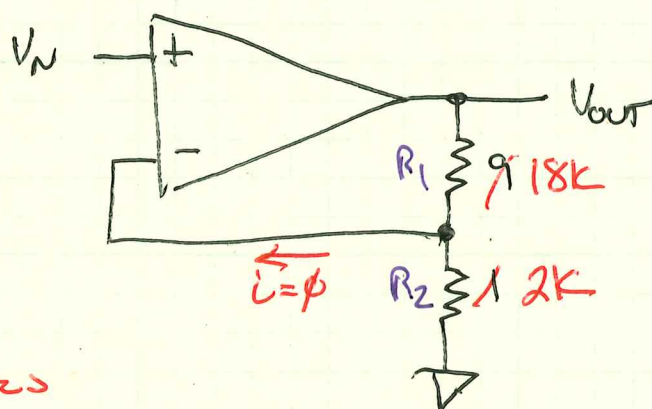
$$V_- = \frac{V_{out}}{10}$$

$$V_{in} = \frac{V_{out}}{10}$$

non inverting
gain of 10
amplifier

$$\text{Gain} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = 10$$

op amp must undo what ever the feedback does so $V_- = V_+$



since no current flows into V_-
 $\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{out} = V_-$

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

$$\text{Gain} = \left(1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}\right)$$

in general
keep resistors

$$\geq 1k$$

$$\leq 10M\Omega$$

so don't have to
worry about
imperfections

closed loop gain is 1
for non-inverting configuration