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# LECTURE 6B

## Operational Amplifier

### Electromechanical Devices

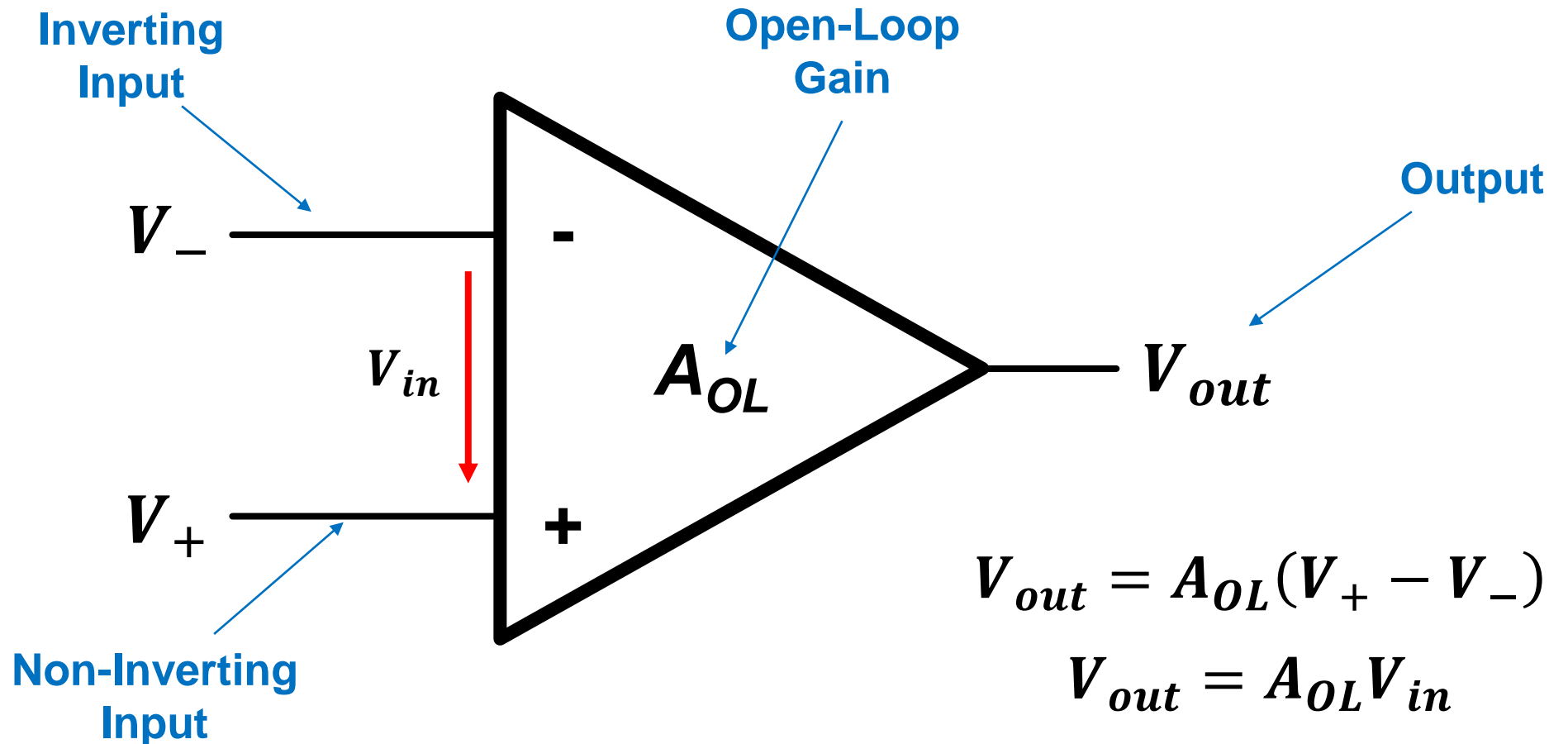
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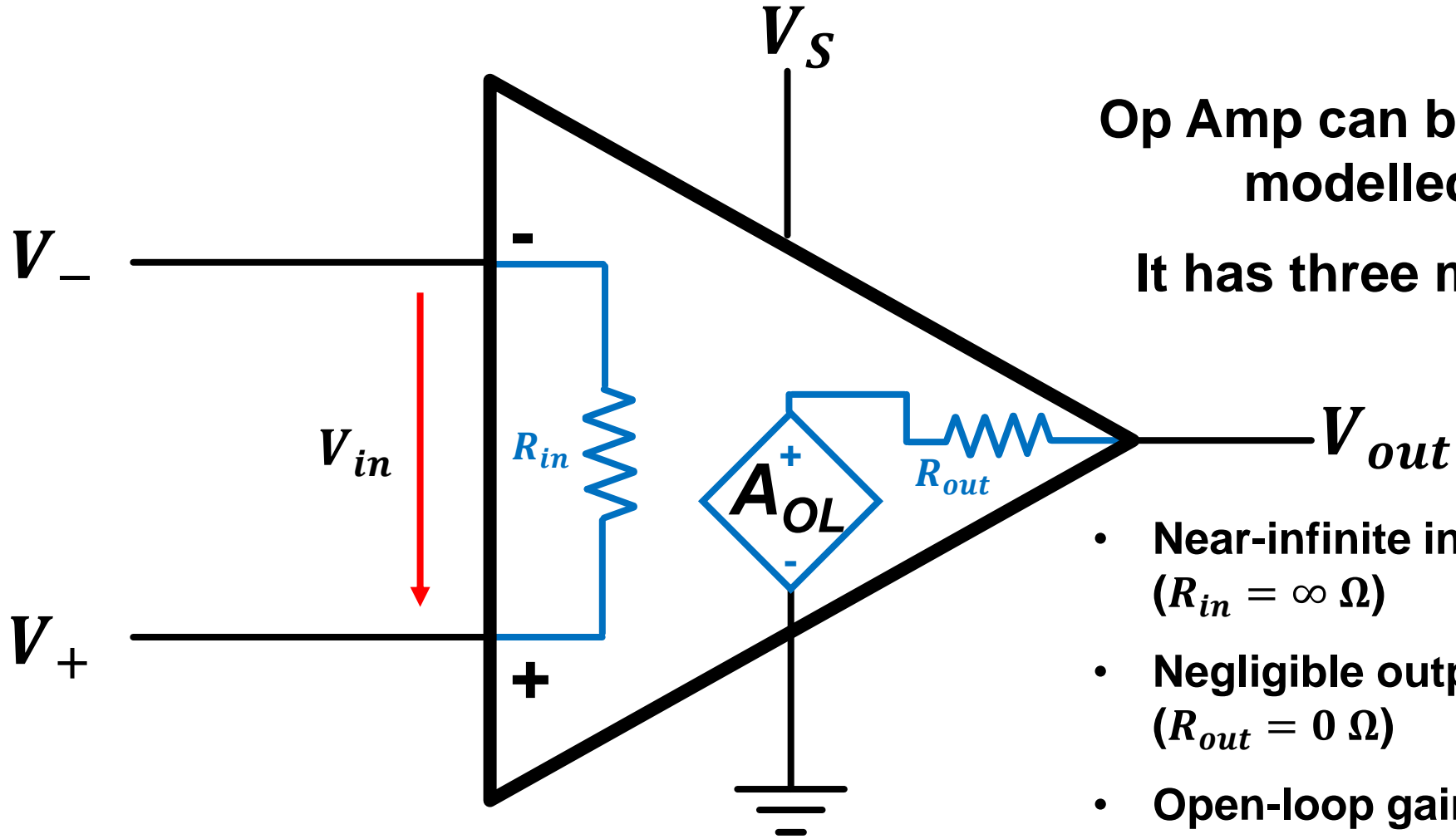
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## Amplifier intended for mathematical operations





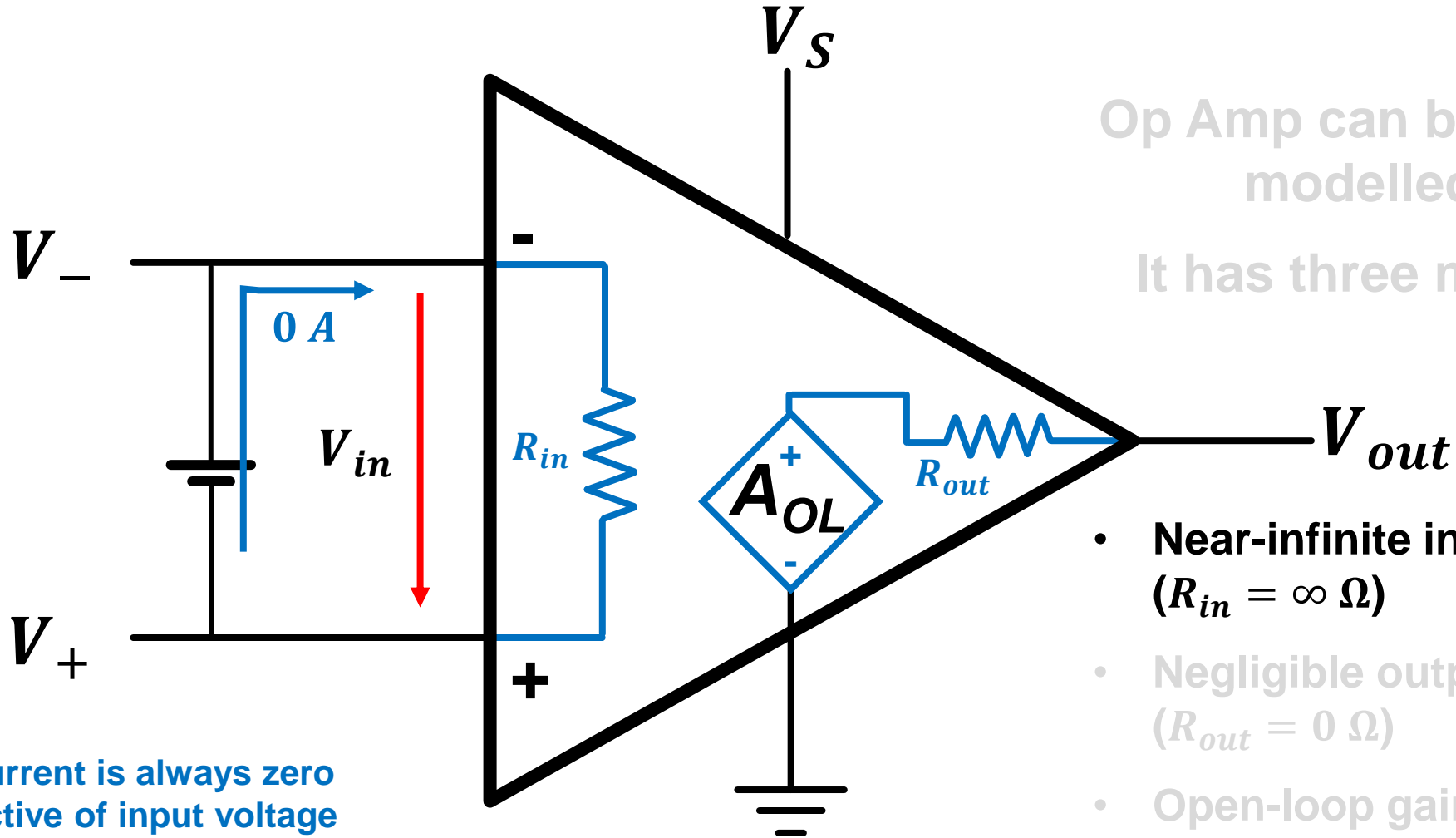
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# Operational Amplifier



Input current is always zero irrespective of input voltage

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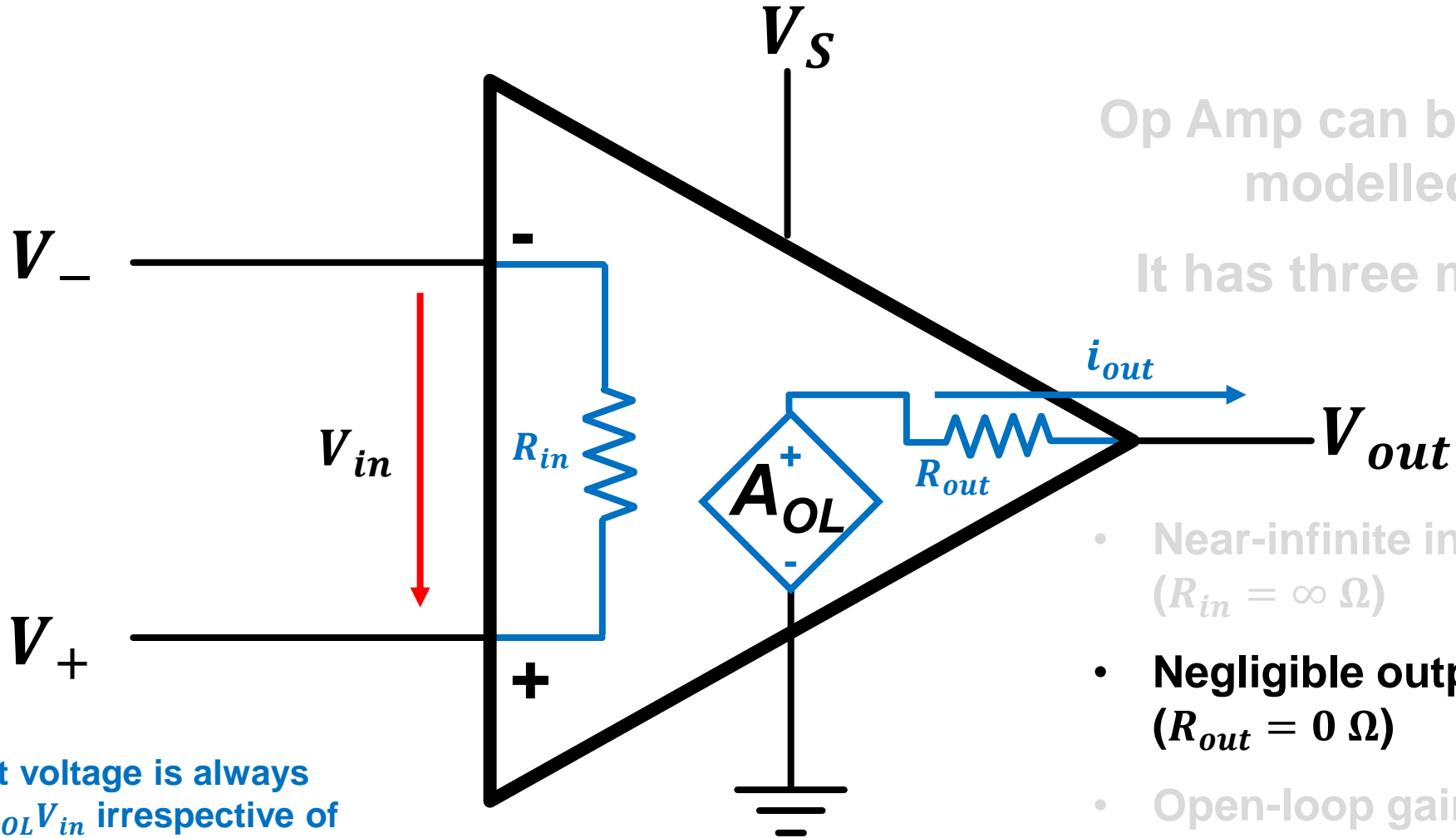
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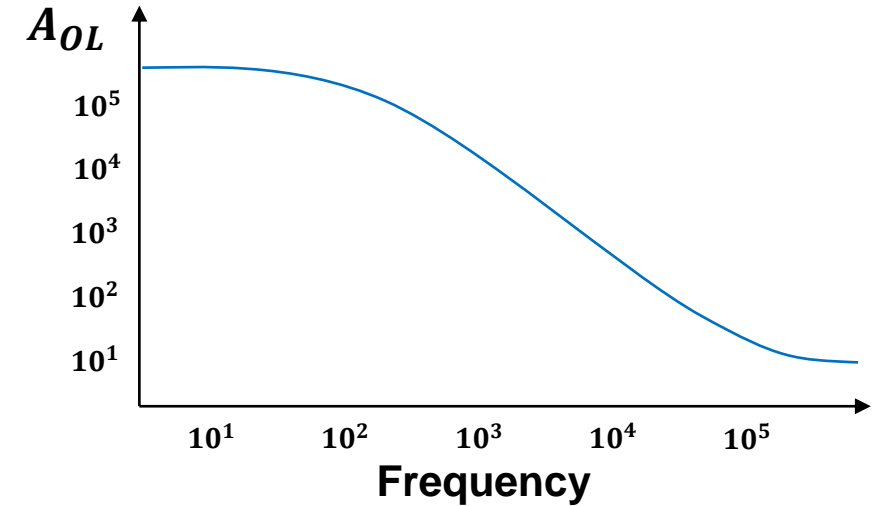
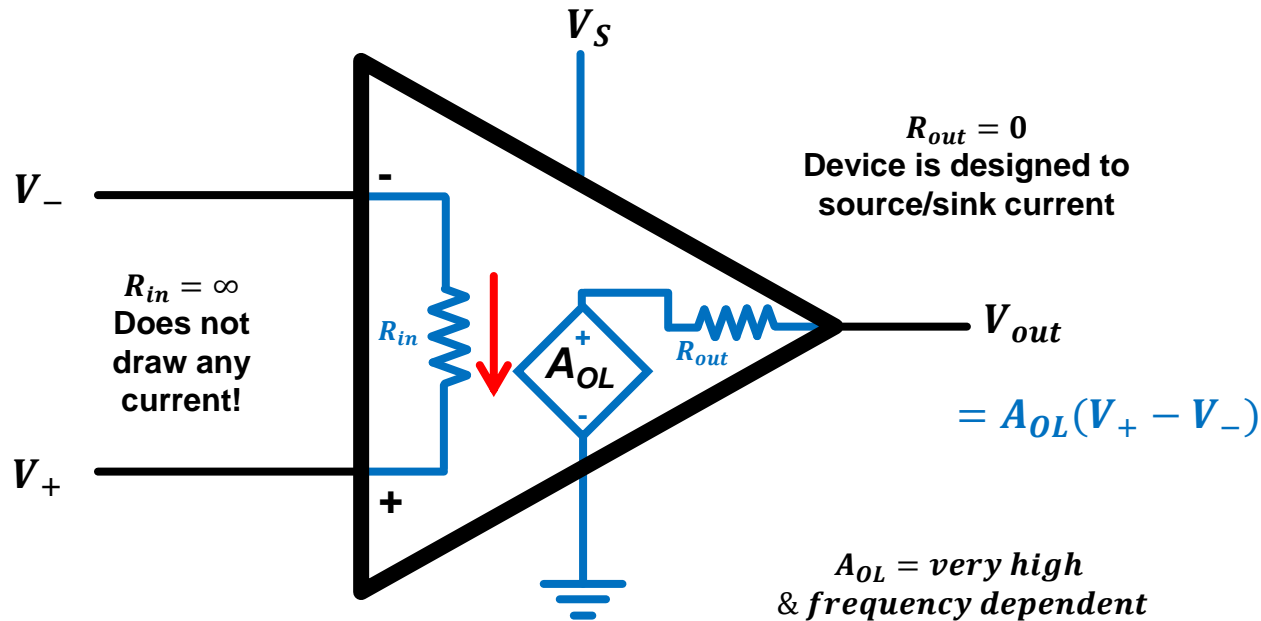


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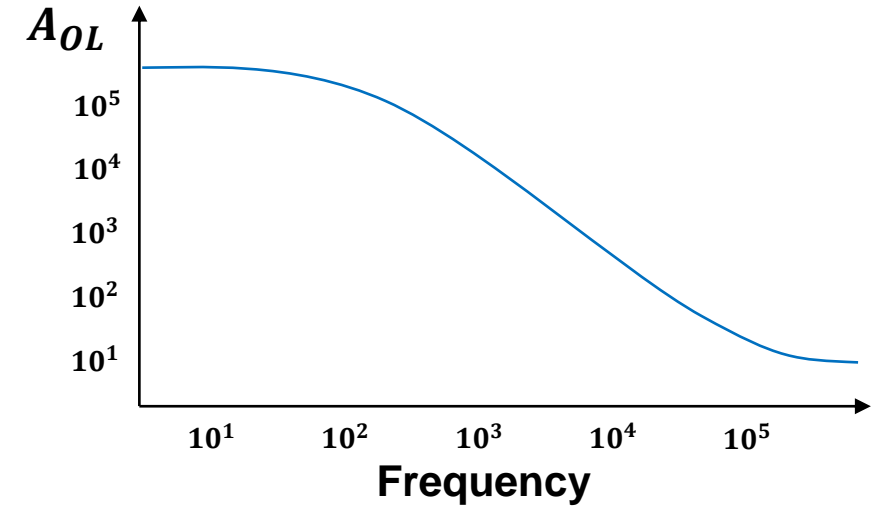
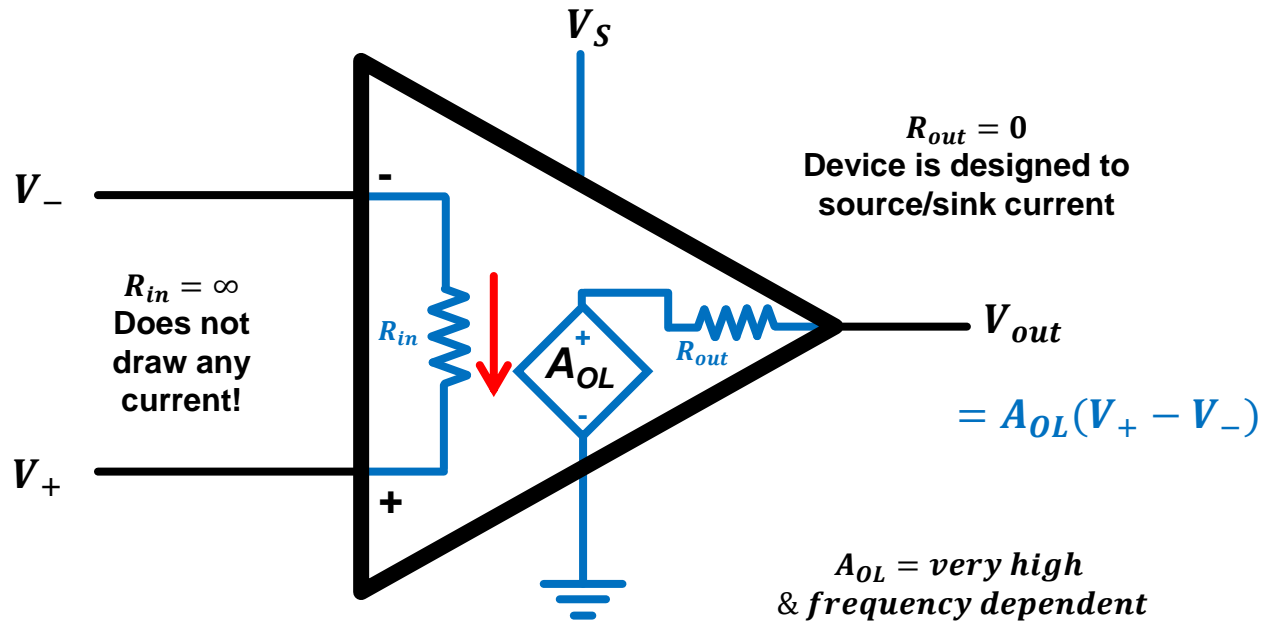
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Output voltage is always  $V_{out} = A_{OL}V_{in}$  irrespective of output current



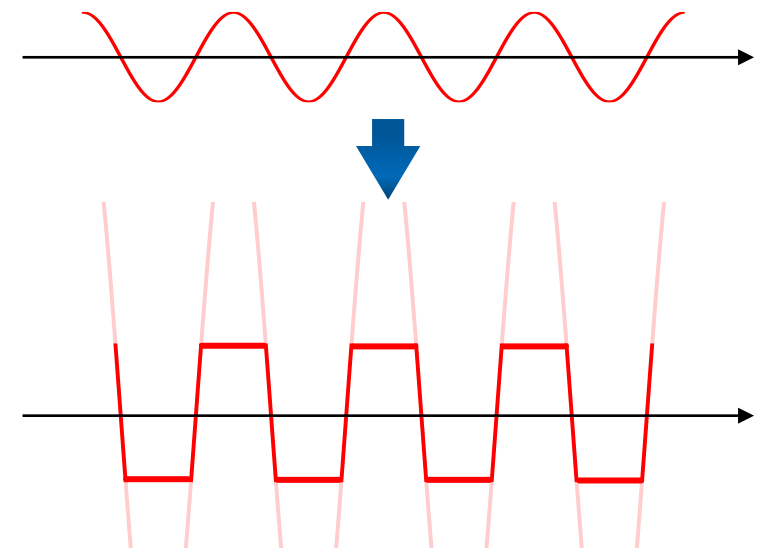
**Open Loop gain is highly dependent on the frequency of input voltage**

**Almost never you see signal processing of a single frequency signal – operating the op-amp open-loop is not a good idea**



The other problem is the gain is so high (order of 1 million) that unless the input voltage is of the order of microvolts, output voltage will get clipped

Op amps are low voltage devices – they would be running of 5V most likely







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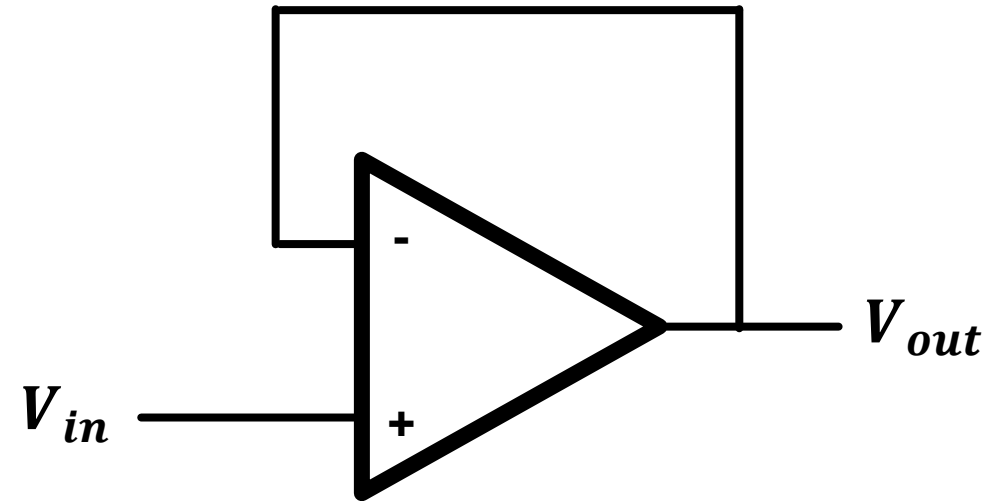
**It is quite clear we cannot effectively use the op amp in open loop configuration**

**One smart way to deal with the issue is to offer up the output voltage (with all its issues) as feedback into the inverting input**

**This way you can eliminate the effect of  $A_{OL}$  to a partial extent**

**If we directly feed back output to its inverting input, we have a**

## **Voltage Follower**





# Voltage Follower

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-)$$

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_{in} - V_{out})$$

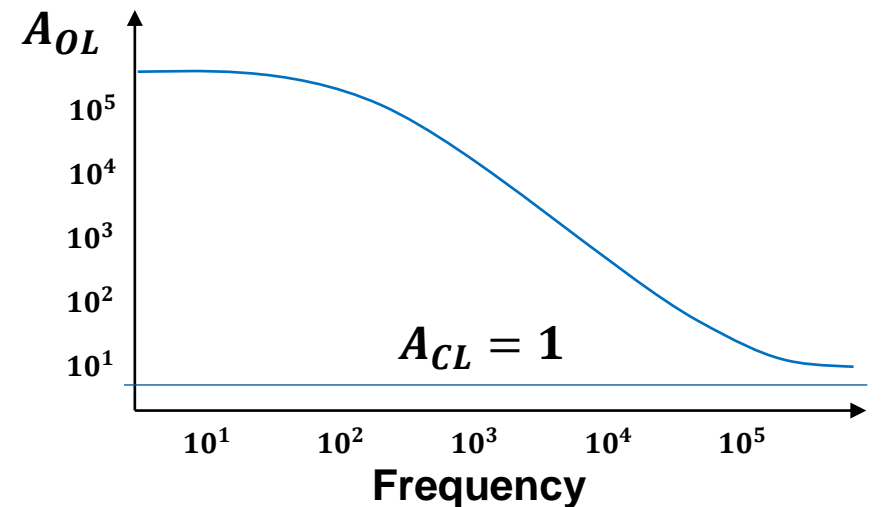
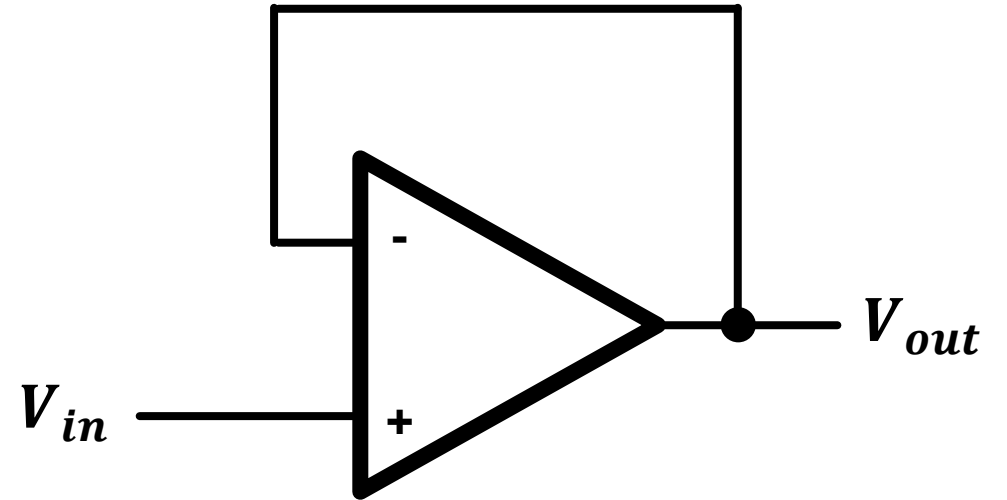
$$V_{out}(1 + A_{OL}) = A_{OL}V_{in}$$

$$V_{out} = \frac{A_{OL}}{1 + A_{OL}} V_{in}$$

Safe to assume  $A_{OL} \gg 1$

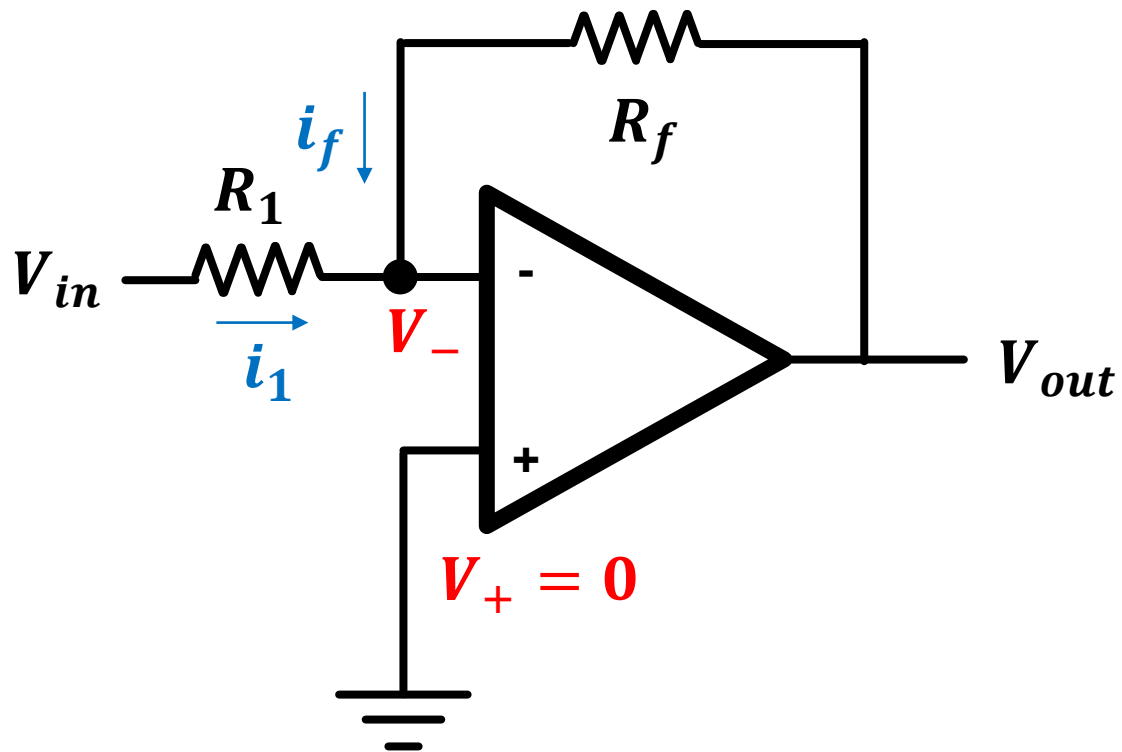
$$V_{out} = \frac{A_{OL}}{A_{OL}} V_{in}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = A_{CL} = 1$$





# Inverting Amplifier



$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-)$$

$$i_f = -i_1$$

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(0 - V_-)$$

$$V_{out} = -A_{OL}V_-$$

$$V_{in} - V_- = i_1 R_1 \quad \text{and} \quad V_{out} - V_- = i_f R_f$$

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

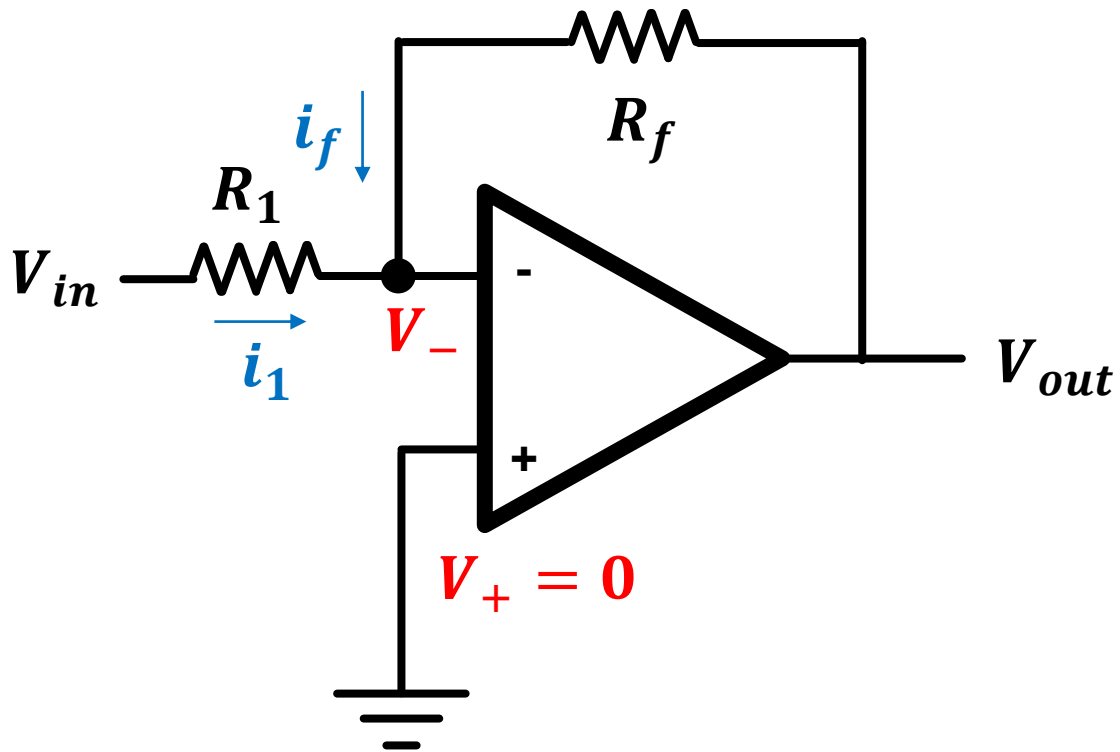
$$V_{in} R_f - V_- R_f = V_- R_1 - V_{out} R_1$$

$$V_{in} R_f + V_{out} R_1 = V_- R_1 + V_- R_f$$

$$V_{in} R_f + V_{out} R_1 = V_- (R_1 + R_f)$$



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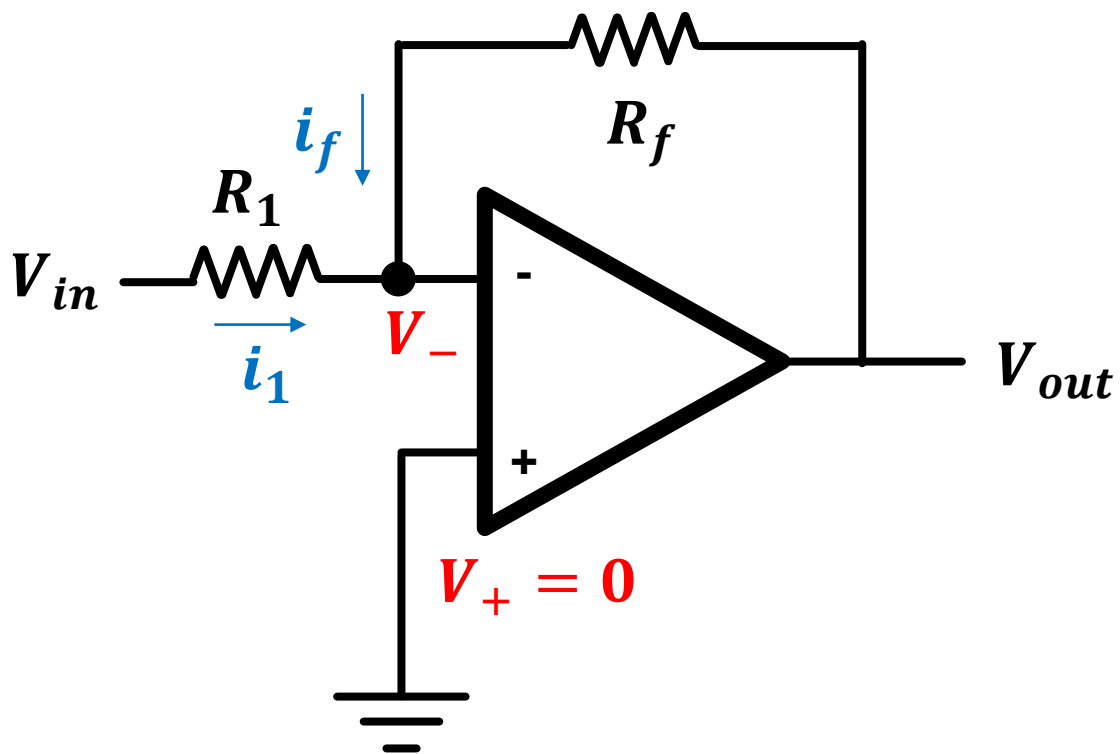
$$V_{out} = -A_{OL} \frac{V_{in}R_f + V_{out}R_1}{R_1 + R_f}$$

$$V_{out} \left( 1 + \frac{A_{OL}R_1}{R_1 + R_f} \right) = -A_{OL} \frac{V_{in}R_f}{R_1 + R_f}$$

$$V_{out} \left( \frac{A_{OL}R_1 + R_1 + R_f}{R_1 + R_f} \right) = -A_{OL}V_{in} \frac{R_f}{R_1 + R_f}$$



# Inverting Amplifier



$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \left( \frac{A_{OL}R_1 + R_1 + R_f}{R_1 + R_f} \right) = -A_{OL} \frac{R_f}{R_1 + R_f}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -A_{OL} \frac{R_f}{A_{OL}R_1 + R_1 + R_f}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{-1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{A_{OL}}\right) \frac{R_1}{R_f} + \left(\frac{1}{A_{OL}}\right) \frac{R_f}{R_f}}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{-1}{(1 + 0) \frac{R_1}{R_f} + (0)1}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = A_{CL} = -\frac{R_f}{R_1}$$



# Non-Inverting Amplifier

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-)$$

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_{in} - V_-)$$

$$V_- = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_f} V_{out}$$

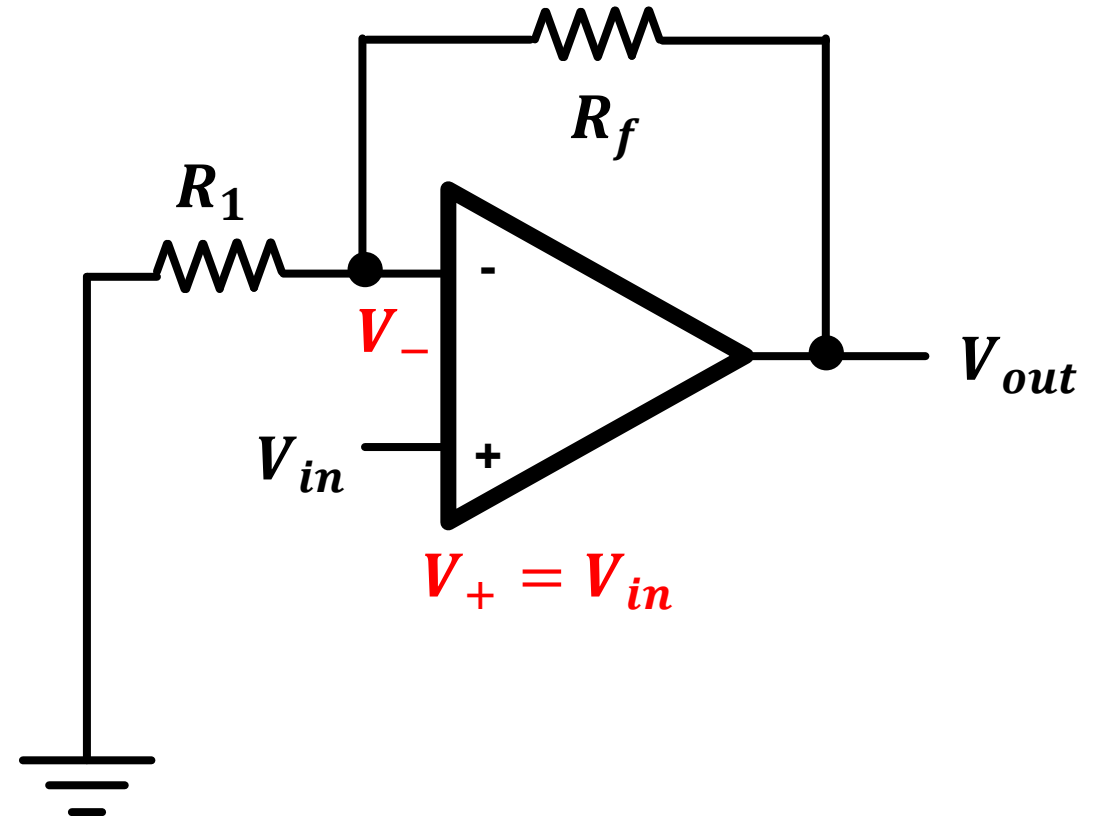
$$V_{out} = A_{OL} \left( V_{in} - \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_f} V_{out} \right)$$

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

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

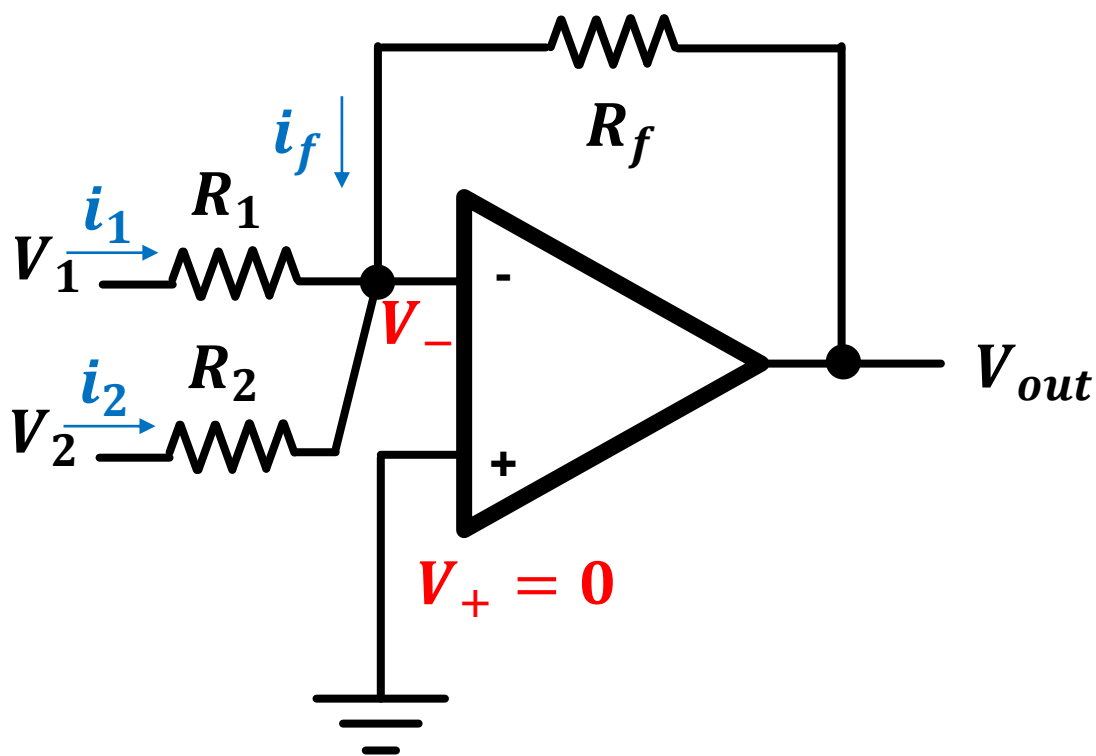
$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \left( 0 + \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_f} \right) = 1$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = A_{CL} = 1 + \frac{R_f}{R_1}$$





# Summing Amplifier



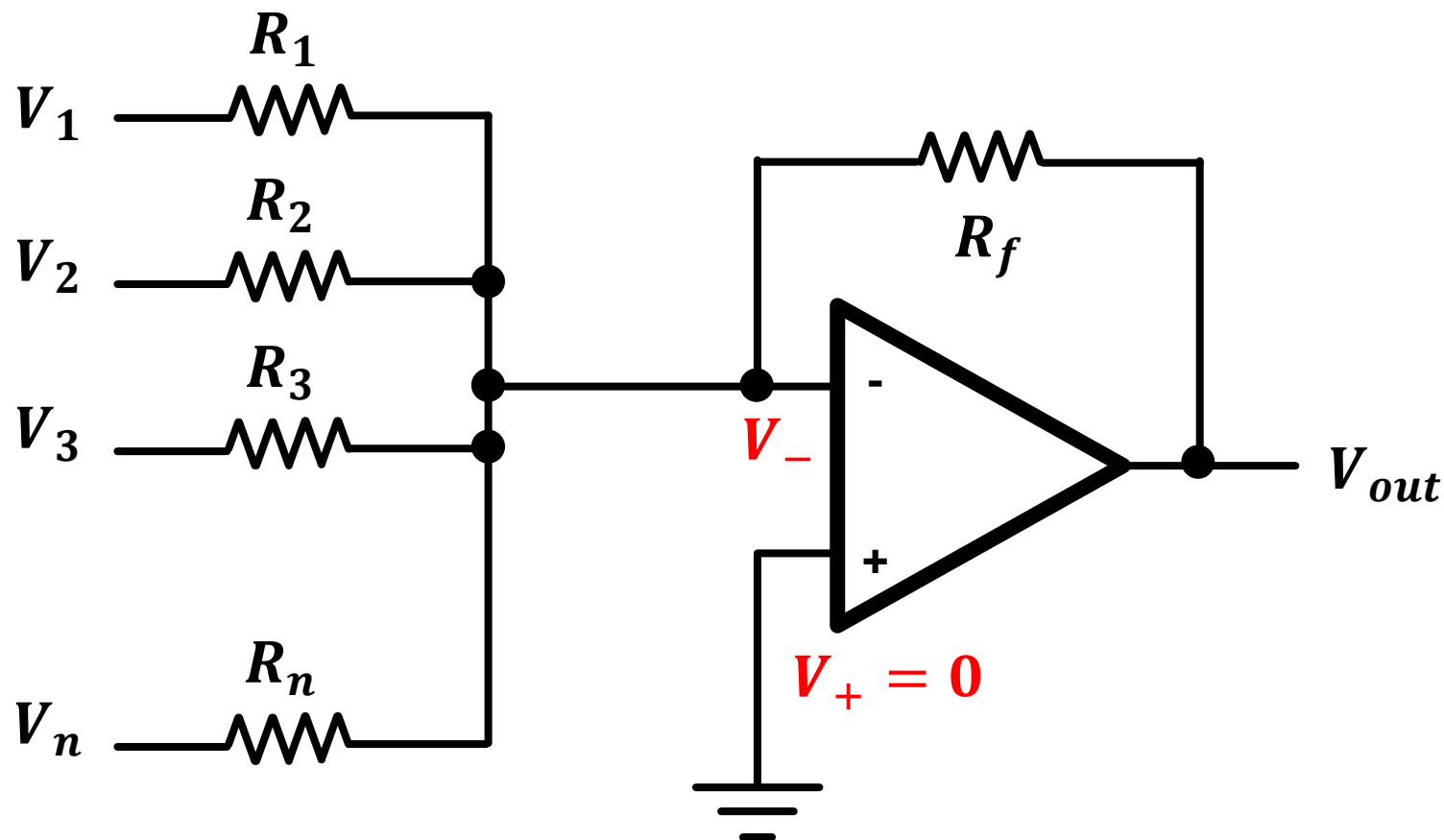
- $V_1 - V_- = i_1 R_1$
- $V_2 - V_- = i_2 R_2$
- $V_{out} - V_- = i_f R_f$
- $-A_{OL} V_- = V_{out}$

- $i_1 + i_2 = -i_f$
- $\frac{V_1 - V_-}{R_1} + \frac{V_2 - V_-}{R_2} = \frac{V_- - V_{out}}{R_f}$
- $\frac{V_1 + \frac{V_{out}}{A_{OL}}}{R_1} + \frac{V_2 + \frac{V_{out}}{A_{OL}}}{R_2} = \frac{-\frac{V_{out}}{A_{OL}} - V_{out}}{R_f}$
- $\frac{V_1 + 0}{R_1} + \frac{V_2 + 0}{R_2} = \frac{0 - V_{out}}{R_f}$

$$V_{out} = \frac{-R_f}{R_1} V_1 + \frac{-R_f}{R_2} V_2$$



# Summing Amplifier



Remember superposition principle – we discussed this when we were solving for the R-2R Ladder circuit

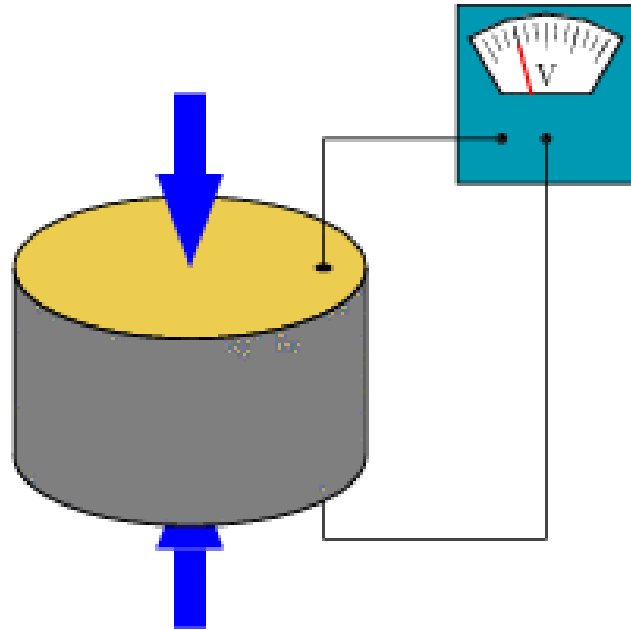
Each input branch is effectively an individual and independent Inverting Amplifier circuit

Output voltage is essentially the sum of each input branch

$$V_{out} = -R_f \left( \frac{V_1}{R_1} + \frac{V_2}{R_2} + \dots + \frac{V_n}{R_n} \right)$$



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**Piezoelectricity** is the electric charge that gets accumulated in some materials upon application of **mechanical stress**

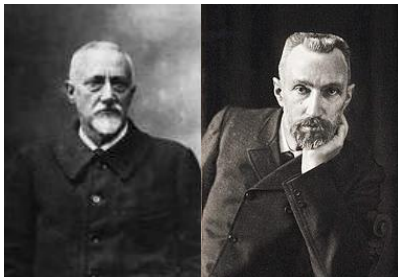
Words derived from *Piezein* (meaning 'to squeeze') and *Elektron* (electricity)

$$Q \propto F$$

This relation is of extreme importance!

This allows us to measure force in terms of electricity

Let us see how we do this



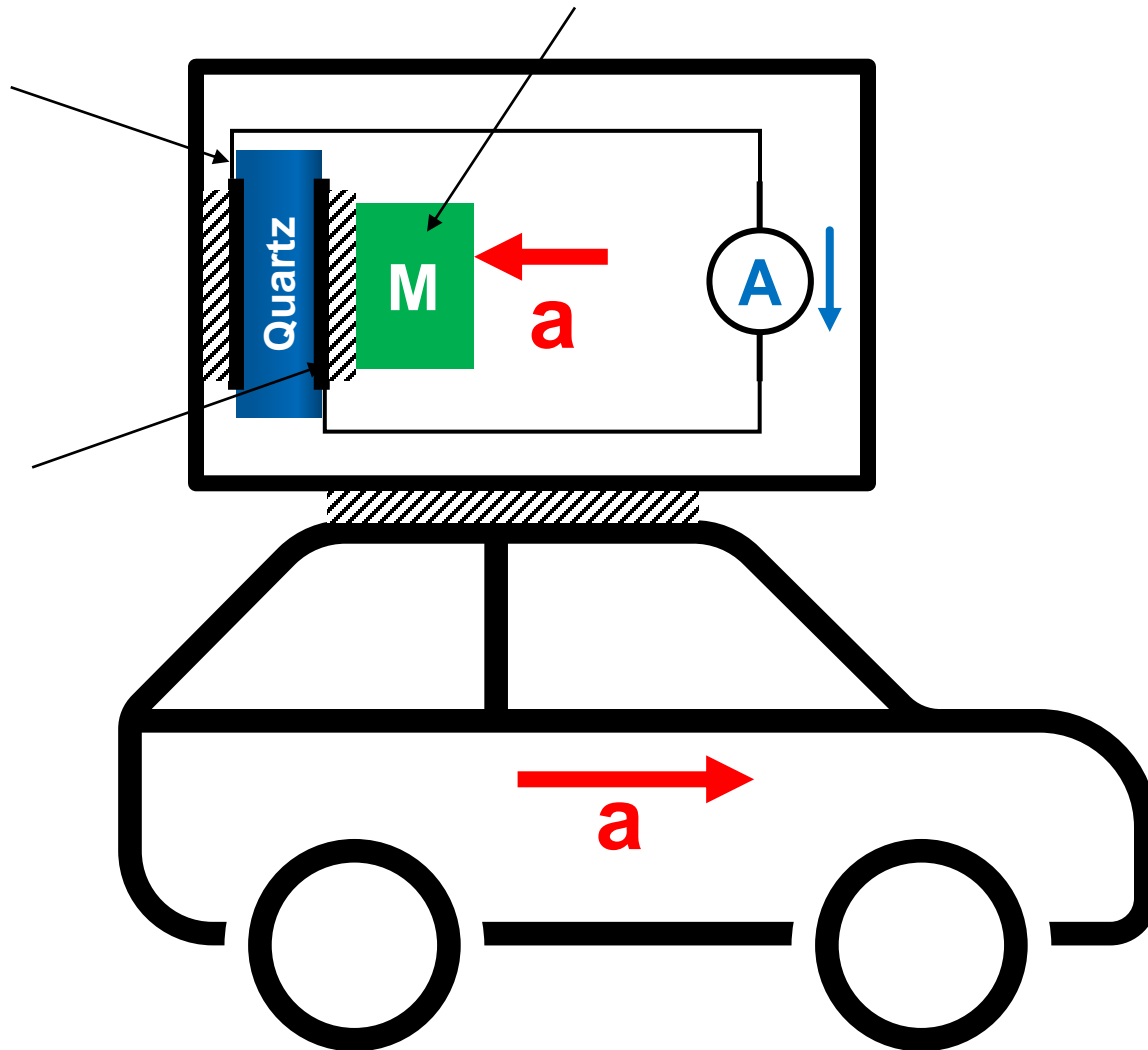
*Jacques & Pierre Curie*, French physicist brothers discovered piezoelectricity in 1880. Pierre is the same guy who won the Nobel prize with wife Marie Sklodowska-Curie for radiation

# Piezoelectric effect of Quartz

Quartz crystal (or any other piezo device) rigidly attached on one face

Other face of quartz rigidly attached to the suspended mass

A very well known mass suspended freely



Let us find a relation between acceleration and current

$$Q \propto F$$

$$Q = k_1 F$$

$$Q = k_1 M a$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to time

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = k_1 M \frac{da}{dt}$$

We know current is rate of movement of charge

$$i = k_1 M \frac{da}{dt}$$

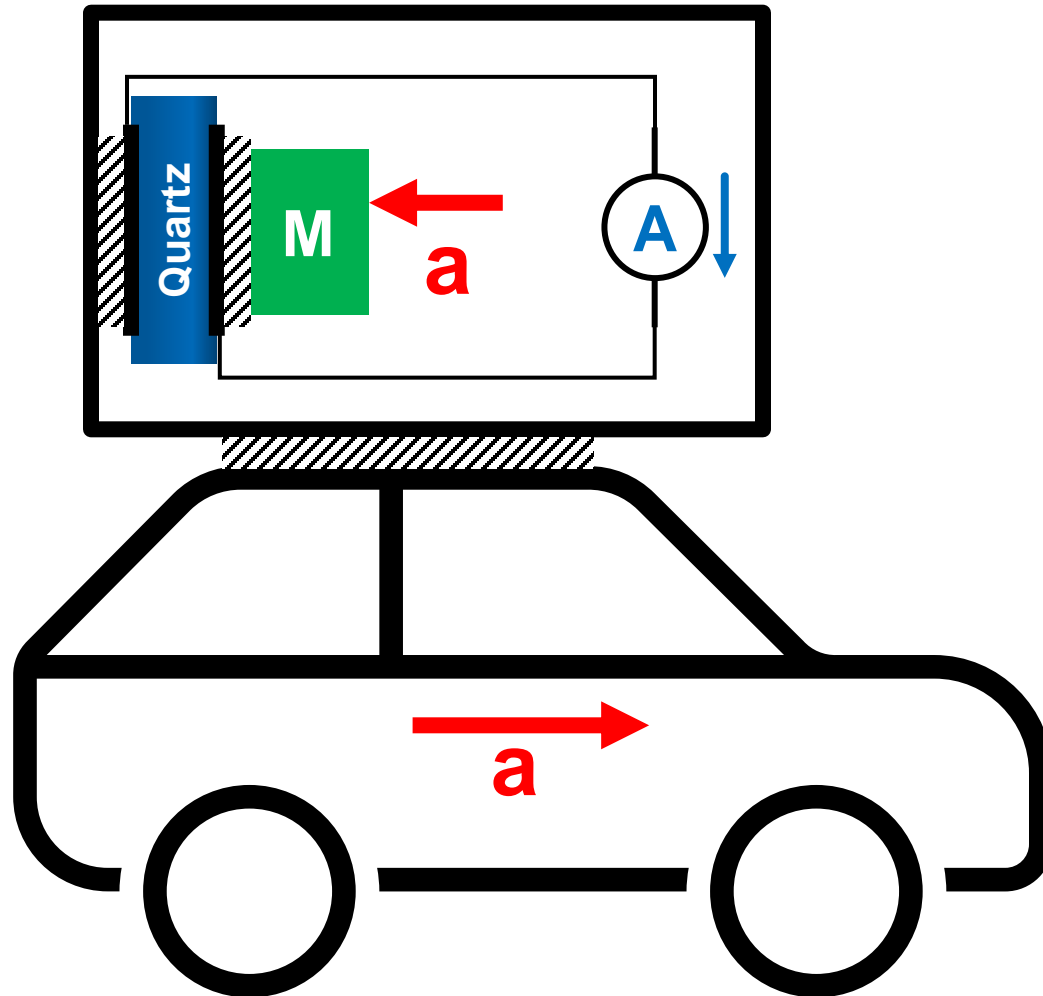


How do we get acceleration signal?

We need to integrate the current signal

One way is to convert this to a digital signal and process it in a computer – but this is too much effort!

Let us try an analog way!



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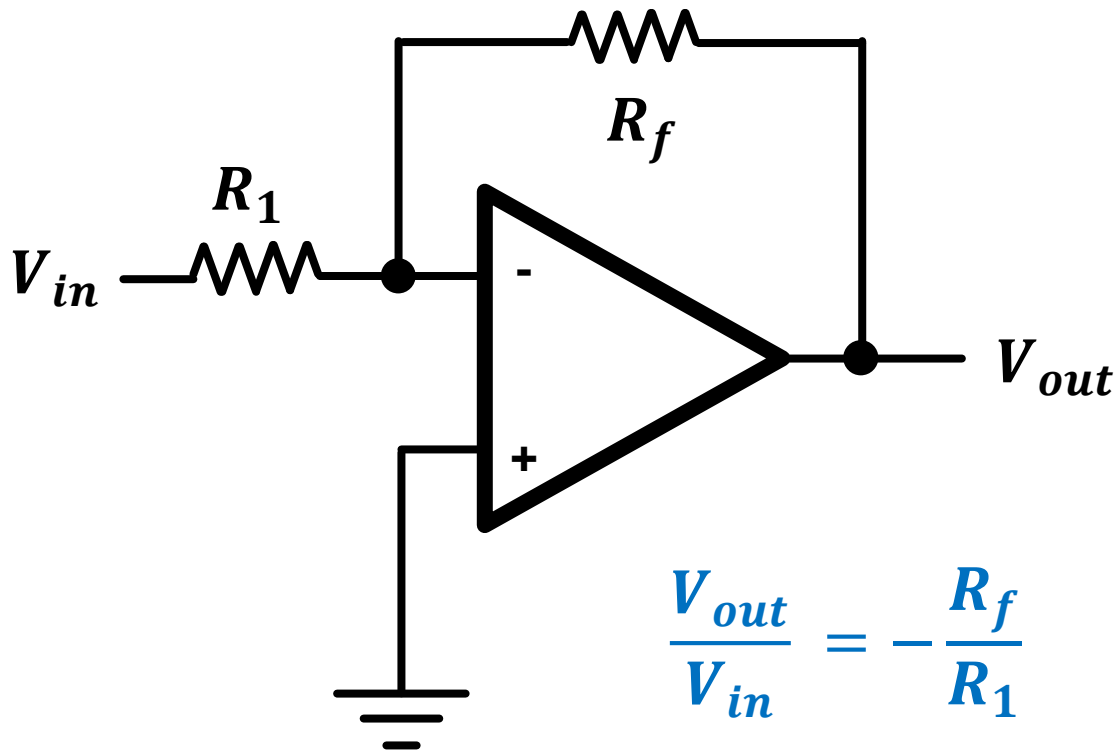
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## Recall the Inverting Amplifier



What if we use an energy storing element (like capacitor/inductor) in place of the resistive element in feedback path?

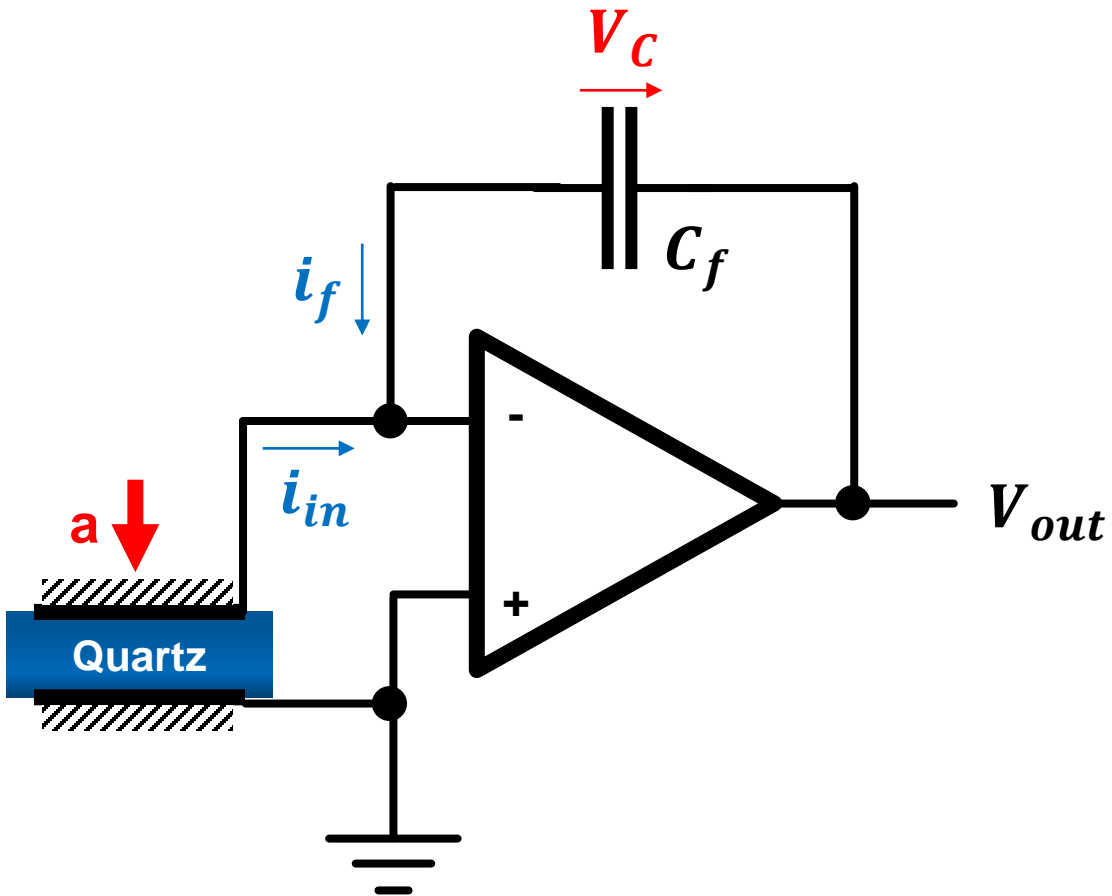
We know that we need to integrate the current signal – this is done by a capacitor

Recalling the Capacitor equation:

$$Q = CV$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = i = C \frac{dV}{dt}$$

Let us replace the  $V_{in}$  and  $R_1$  at the inverting input with the piezoelectric element, and  $R_f$  with a capacitor:



Let us solve the circuit again like we did for inverting amplifier:

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-)$$

$$V_{out} = A_{OL}(0 - V_-)$$

$$V_{out} = -A_{OL}V_-$$

But we can calculate  $V_-$  from the current:

$$V_- = V_{out} - V_C$$

As input resistance of op amp is  $\infty$ :

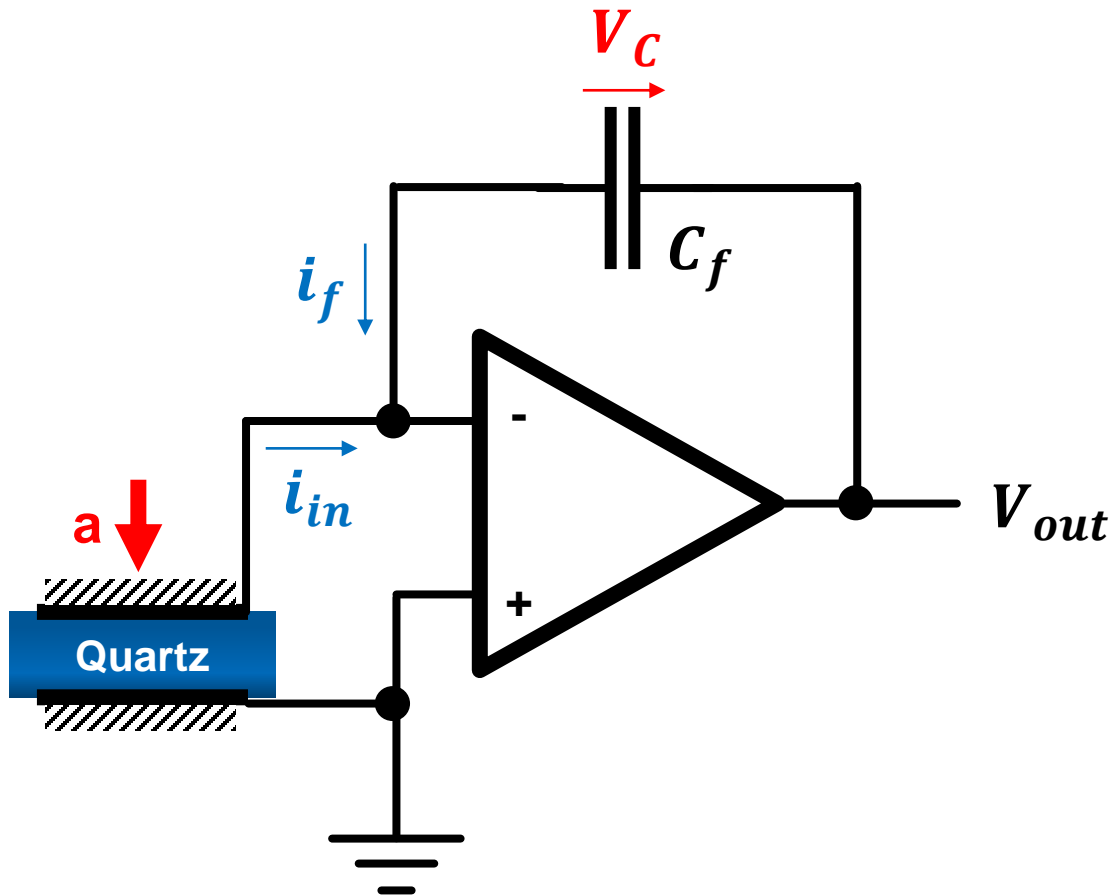
$$i_f = -i_{in} = -k_1 M \frac{da}{dt}$$

From the capacitor equation:

$$i_f = C_f \frac{dV_C}{dt} = -k_1 M \frac{da}{dt}$$



# Integrating Amplifier



- $V_{out} = -A_{OL}V_-$

- $V_- = V_{out} - V_C$

$$i_f = C_f \frac{dV_C}{dt} = -k_1 M \frac{da}{dt}$$

Integrating both sides w/r/t time:

$$C_f V_C = -k_1 M a$$

$$V_C = -\frac{k_1 M}{C_f} a$$

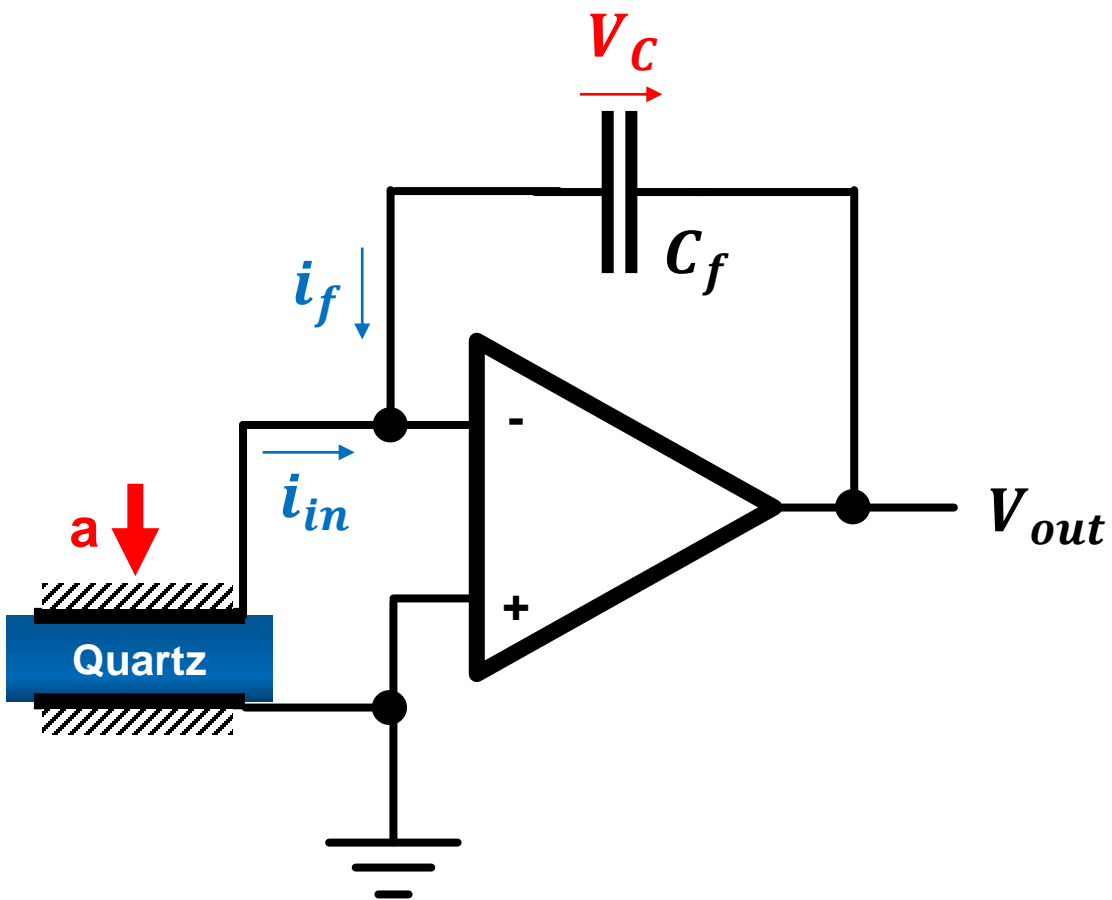
Applying this relation to resolve for output

$$V_{out} = -A_{OL}(V_{out} - V_C)$$

$$V_C = -V_{out} \frac{(1 + A_{OL})}{A_{OL}}$$



# Integrating Amplifier



$$V_C = -V_{out} \frac{(1 + A_{OL})}{A_{OL}}$$

As  $A_{OL} \gg 1$ :

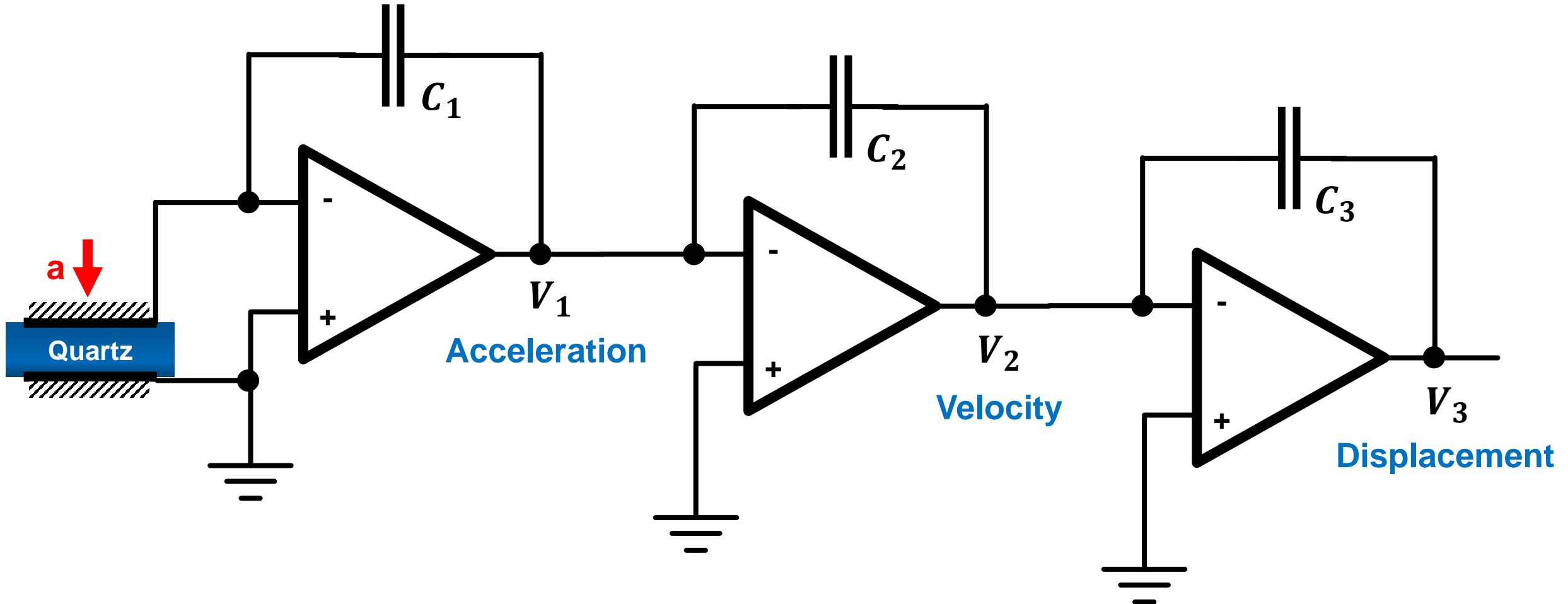
$$V_C = -V_{out} \frac{A_{OL}}{A_{OL}}$$

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$$-\frac{k_1 M}{C_f} a = -V_{out}$$

$$V_{out} = \frac{k_1 M}{C_f} a$$

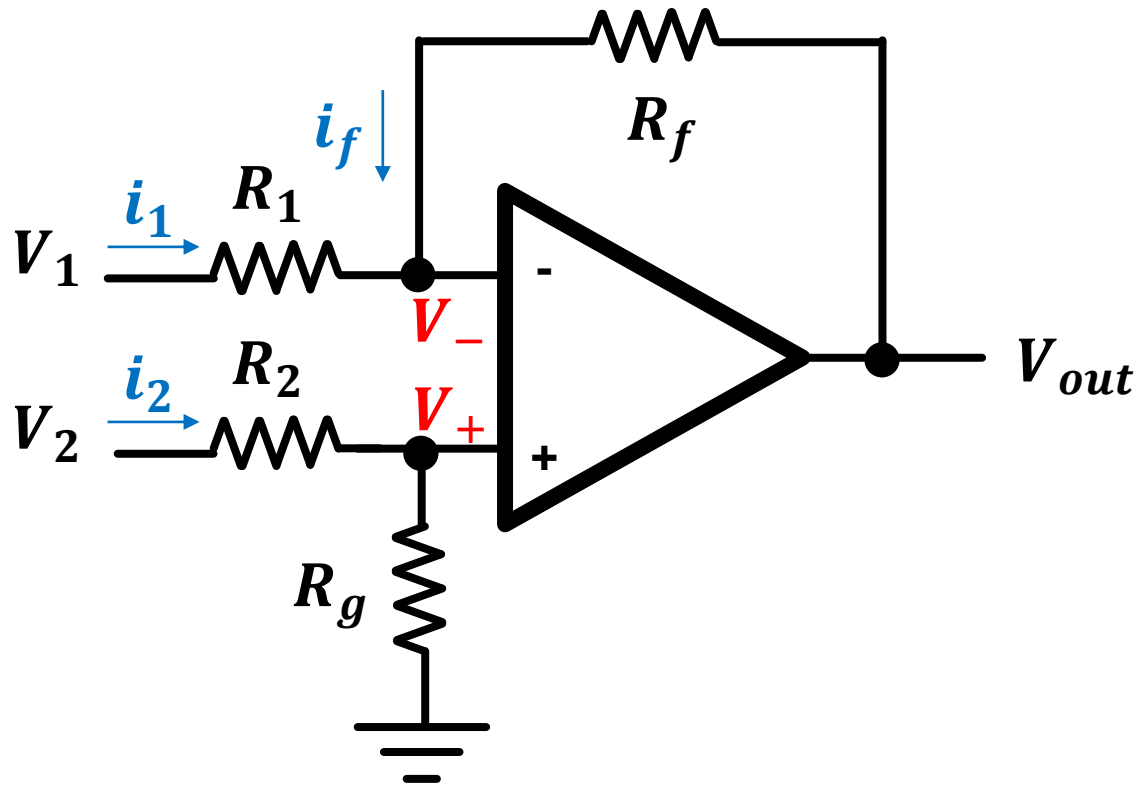
We can stack multiple integrators to get velocity and displacement







# Differencing Amplifier



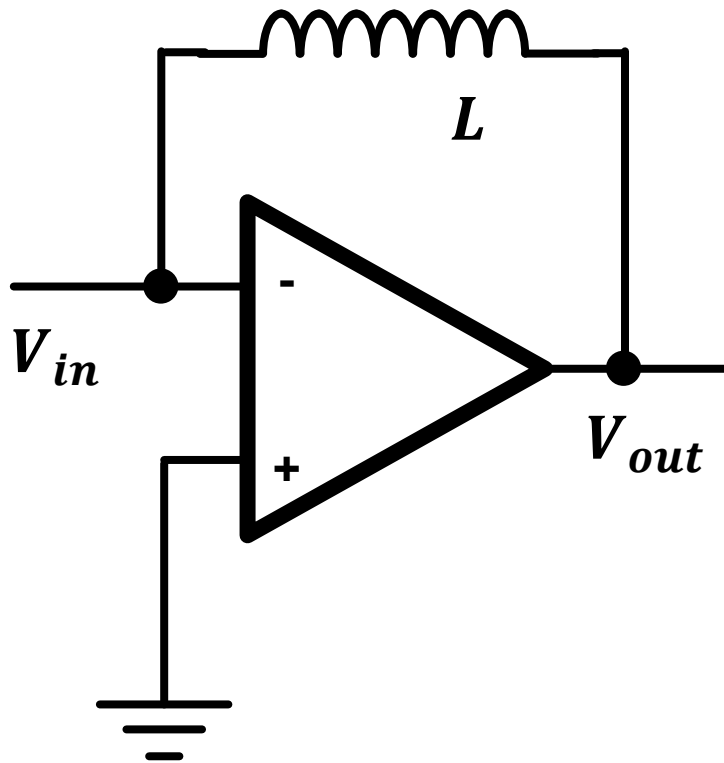
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- $V_+ = \frac{R_g}{R_2 + R_g} V_2$
- $A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-) = V_{out}$

- $i_1 = -i_f$
- $\frac{V_1 - V_-}{R_1} = -\frac{V_- - V_{out}}{R_f}$
- $V_- = \frac{V_1 R_f + V_{out} R_1}{R_f + R_1}$
- $A_{OL}(V_+ - V_-) = V_{out}$
- $A_{OL}\left(\frac{R_g}{R_2 + R_g} V_2 - \frac{V_1 R_f + V_{out} R_1}{R_f + R_1}\right) = V_{out}$

$$V_{out} \left( \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_f} \right) = V_2 \left( \frac{R_g}{R_2 + R_g} \right) - V_1 \left( \frac{R_f}{R_1 + R_f} \right)$$



# Differencing Amplifier



**You have learnt how to do integration operation using a capacitor in the feedback circuit**

**What would happen if you replace the capacitor with an inductor?**

**Recall that capacitor and inductor do exactly opposite things**

**Does this mean you can do derivative operation using op amp in this configuration?**

**Try solving this circuit on your own**



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