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UNIT-I: OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER

OP-AMP BASICS AND CHARACTERISTICS

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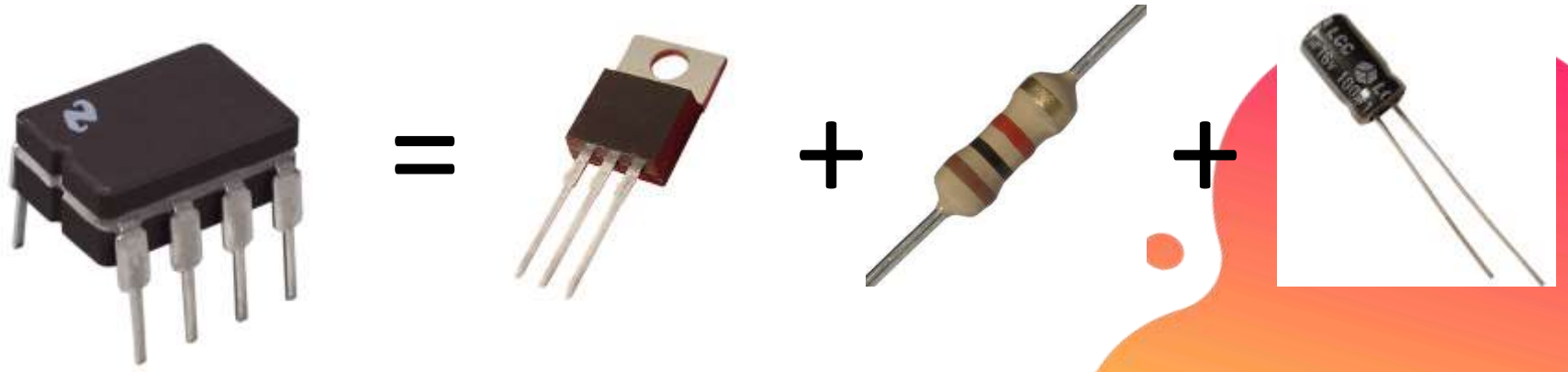
Basics of Op-Amp

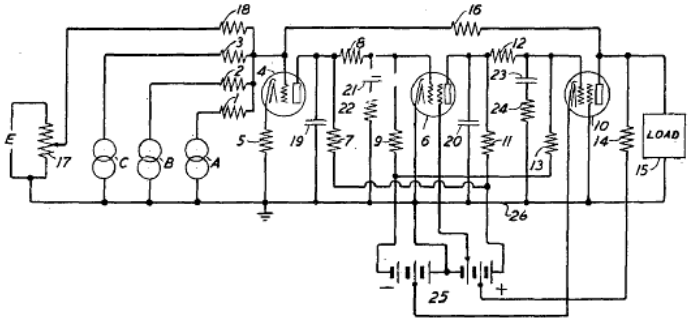
WHAT IS AN OP-AMP?

- An *Operational Amplifier* (known as an “Op-Amp”) is a device that is used to amplify a signal using an external power source
- Op-Amps are generally composed of:
  - Transistors, Resistors, Capacitors

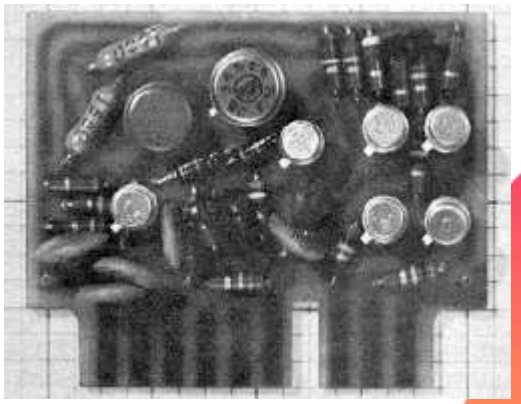


BRIEF HISTORY

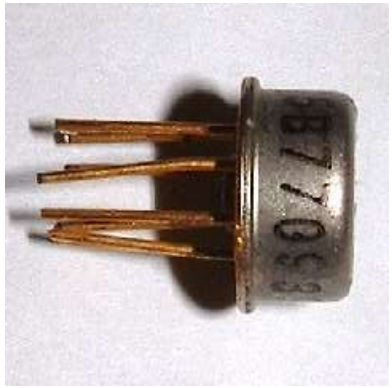
- First patent for Vacuum Tube Op-Amp (1946)



- First Commercial Op-Amp available (1953)



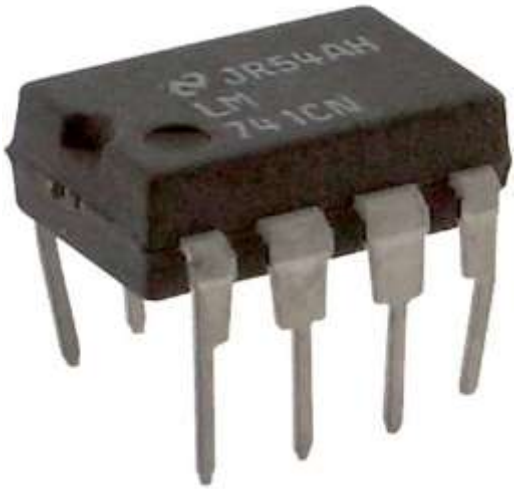
- First discrete IC Op-Amps (1961)



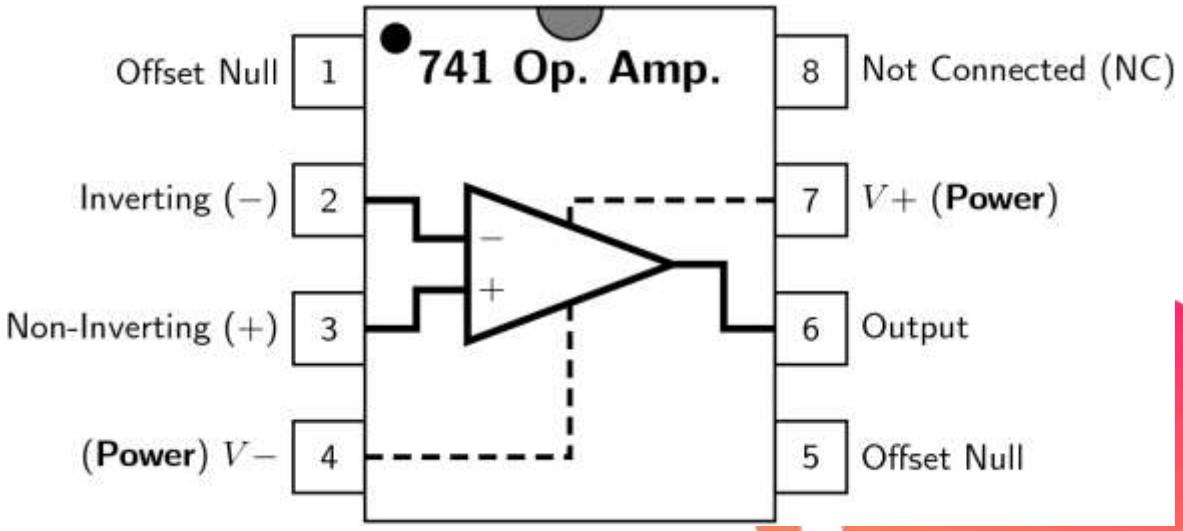
- First commercially successful Monolithic Op-Amps (1965)

IC741 – PIN DETAILS

- Leading to the advent of the modern IC which is still used even today (1967 – present)



Fairchild µA741



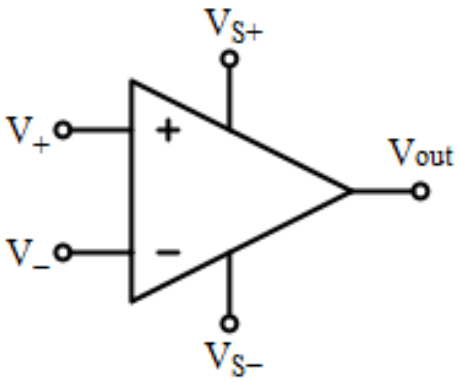
Electrical Schematic of µA741

AN IDEAL OP-AMP

- Infinite voltage gain
- Infinite input impedance
- Zero output impedance
- Infinite bandwidth
- Zero input offset voltage (i.e., exactly zero out if zero in).

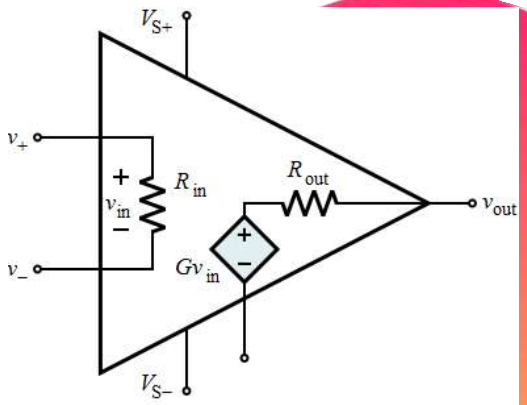
IDEAL VERSUS REAL OP-AMPS

Parameter	Ideal Op-Amp	Real Op-Amp
Voltage Gain	∞	10^5 - 10^9
Gain Bandwidth (Hz)	∞	1-20 MHz
Input Resistance (Ri)	∞	10^6 - 10^{12} Ω
Output Resistance (Ro)	0	100 - 1000 Ω



Ideal

Real



BASICS OF AN OP-AMP

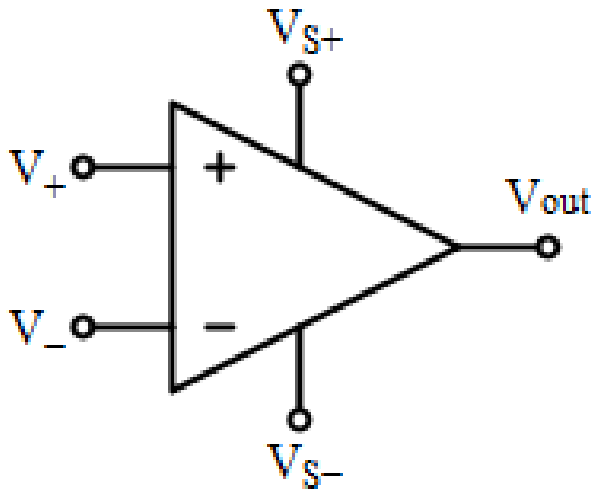
- An op-amp amplifies the difference of the inputs V_+ and V_- (known as the differential input voltage)
- This is the equation for an *open loop* gain amplifier:

$$V_{out}=K(V_+-V_-)$$

- K is typically very large – at around 10,000 or more for IC Op-Amps
- This equation is the basis for all the types of amps we will be discussing

BASICS OF AN OP-AMP

A traditional Op-Amp:



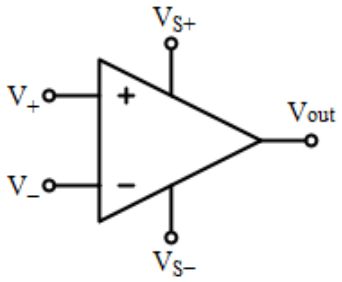
V_+ : non-inverting input
V_- : inverting input
V_{out} : output
V_{s+} : positive power supply
V_{s-} : negative power supply

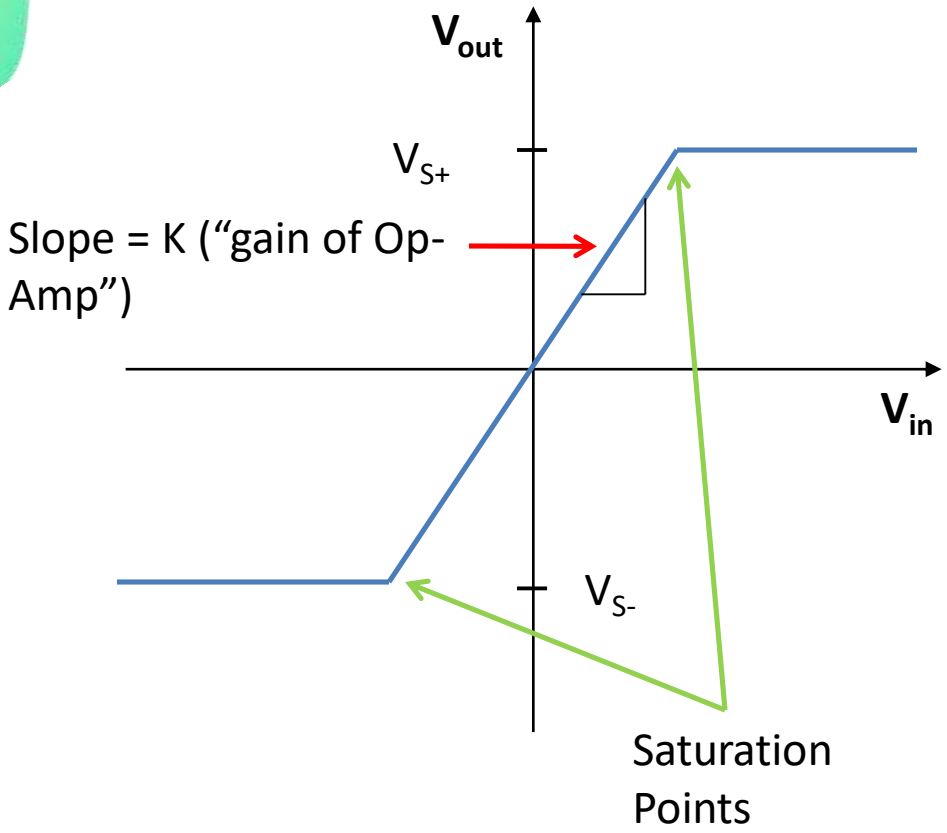
$$V_{out} = K (V_+ - V_-)$$

- The difference between the two inputs voltages (V_+ and V_-) multiplied by the gain (K, "amplification factor") of the Op-Amp gives you the output voltage
- The output voltage can only be as high as the <u>difference</u> between the power supply (V_{S+} / V_{S-})and ground (0 Volts)

Saturation

Saturation is caused by increasing/decreasing the input voltage to cause the output voltage to equal the power supply's voltage*



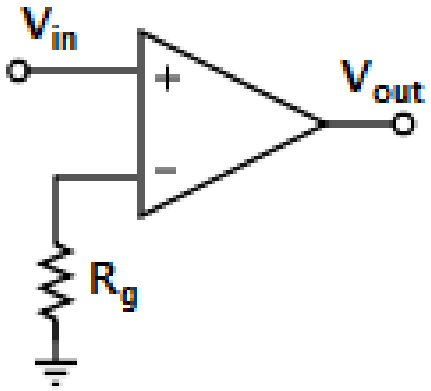


The slope is normally much steeper than it is shown here. Potentially just a few milli-volts (mV) of change in the difference between V_+ and V_- could cause the op-amp to reach the saturation level

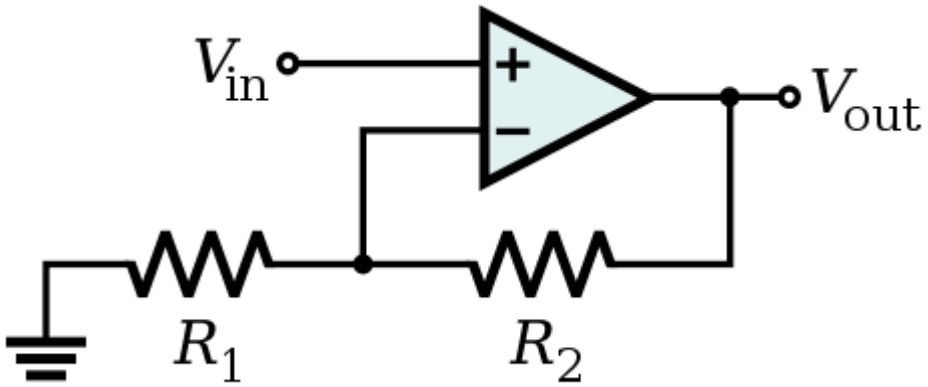
* Note that saturation level of traditional Op-Amp is 80% of supply voltage with exception of CMOS op-amp which has a saturation at the power supply's voltage

Open Loop vs Closed Loop

- A closed loop op-amp has feedback from the output to the input, an open loop op-amp does not



Open Loop



Closed Loop

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