# FUNCTION GENERATOR WITH OP-AMP

## **I. OBJECTIVES**

a) To determine the domains for the amplitude and frequency of the rectangular, triangular and sinusoidal generated signals.

#### **II. COMPONENTS AND INSTRUMENTATION**

We use the experimental assembly in Fig. 4. For the differential supply we need a dc voltage source. We will visualize the voltages in the circuit using a dual channel oscilloscope.

# **III. PREPARATION**

#### P1. Rectangular and triangular signal generator with Op-amp

• For the circuit in Fig. 1., what is the function of the U1A operational amplifier and the role of the  $Q_1Q_3$  group, connected at the output?

• What are the amplitudes of the voltages in the *OutD* and *Dreptunghi* points, if it is known that the  $Q_1Q_3$  group acts like two ZD 7V5, connected anode to anode, and J9 - J10 and J11 - J12 are not connected? Draw the two waveforms.

• For the circuit in Fig. 1., what is the function of the U1B operational amplifier together with the capacitors on the feedback (alternatively connected in the circuit)?

• Draw the voltages in the *Dreptunghi* and *Triunghi* points, for the capacitors alternatively connected in the circuit.

• What kind of adjustment does *Pot1* do, together with one of the capacitors  $C_1$ , or  $C_2$ ?

• Compute the minimum and maximum frequency of the rectangular voltage (*Dreptunghi* output) for each of the two capacitors (alternatively connected in the circuit).

• Compute the value of the fraction k of the *Pot1* potentiometer for  $C_1$  connected in the circuit for which the rectangular voltage has a frequency of 5KHz?

• Compute the value of the fraction k of the *Pot2* potentiometer for  $C_2$  connected in the circuit for which the rectangular voltage has a frequency of 10KHz?

#### **P2.** Sine wave generator with Op – amp

• What is the function of the circuit in Fig. 2. and the role of the first Op - amp (*U2A*)?

• What is the role of the *Pot2* potentiometer?

• Draw the voltages from the *Triunghi* (from the previous exercise) and *Sinus* points.

## P3. Amplitude adjustment circuit

• For the circuit in Fig. 3. specify the function of the U3B Op - amp. What kind of adjustment can be done using this circuit (pay attention to the *Pot3* potentiometer)?

• Compute the minimum and maximum values for the gain of the circuit.

• Compute the minimum and maximum values of the amplitudes of the rectangular, triangular and sinusoidal signals, from the *Out* terminal of the Op - amp (*U3B*) and the amplitudes of the output signals if k=0.5 (for *Pot3*).

# **IV. EXPLORATIONS AND RESULTS**

## 1. Rectangular and triangular signal generator with Op - amp

#### Exploration

• For the circuit in Fig.1. apply a differential voltage  $\pm 15$ V in the points *J1* and *J2*.

• Use the jumpers to connect J9 with J10 and visualize on the oscilloscope the voltages in the OutD and Dreptunghi, Dreptunghi and Triunghi points.

• Using the *Pot1* potentiometer, determine the minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the rectangular signal (*Dreptunghi* output).

• Adjust *Pot1* in order to obtain a signal with a frequency of 5KHz at the *Dreptunghi* output.

• Disconnect J9 from J10, connect J11 with J12 and determine once again, using Pot1, the minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the rectangular signal.

• Adjust *Pot1* in order to obtain a signal with a frequency of 10KHz at the *Dreptunghi* output.

• Disconnect *J11* from *J12*, reconnect *J9* with *J10* and determine once again, using *Pot1*, the minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the rectangular signal.

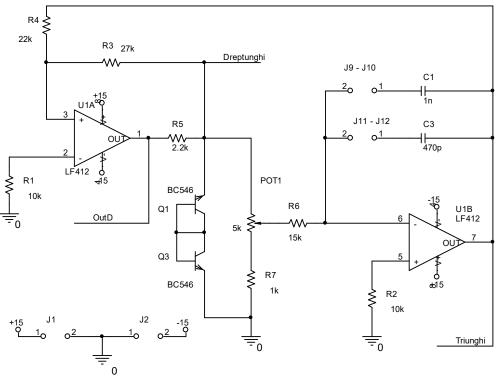


Fig. 1. Rectangular and triangular signal

## Results

• The voltages in *OutD* and *Dreptunghi* points.

• The voltages in Dreptunghi and Triunghi points.

• The minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the rectangular signal, for the  $C_1$  capacitor (J9 with J10).

• The minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the rectangular signal, for the  $C_2$  capacitor (J11 with J12).

• The value of the frequency of the rectangular signal, using the capacitor  $C_1$  for *Pot1* adjusted to obtain frequency of 10KHz using capacitor  $C_2$ .

# 2. Sine wave generator with Op – amp

## Exploration

• Disconnect all the jumpers from the circuit.

• For the circuit in Fig. 2 supply the points J1 and J2 with differential voltage  $\pm 15$ V.

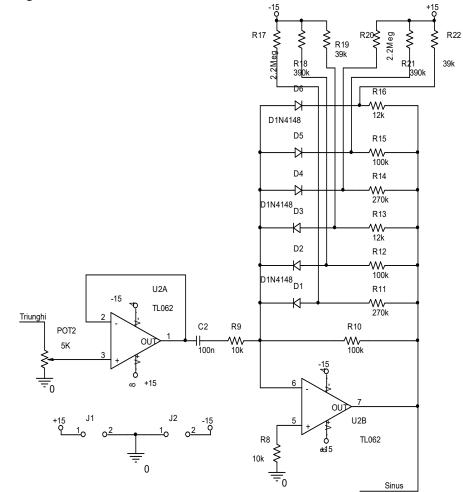


Fig. 2. Sine wave generator

• Use the jumpers to connect J9 with J10 and visualize on the oscilloscope the voltages in the *Triunghi* and *Sinus* points.

• Modify the value of the *Pot2* potentiometer until the voltage at the *Sinus* output is a sine wave and determine its amplitude, from the oscilloscope.

• Using the *Pot1* potentiometer, determine the minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the sine wave (*Sinus* output).

• Disconnect J9 from J10, connect J11 with J12 and determine once again, using Pot1, the minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the sine wave.

## Results

- The voltages in the Triunghi si Sinus points.
- The amplitude value of the sine wave (*Sinus* output).

• The minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the sine wave for the capacitor  $C_1$  (J9 with J10).

• The minimum and maximum values of the frequency of the sine wave for the capacitor  $C_2$  (J11 with J12).

## 3. Amplitude adjustment circuit

#### Exploration

• Disconnect all the jumpers from the circuit.

• For the circuit in Fig. 3. supply the points J1 and J2 with differential voltage  $\pm 15$ V.

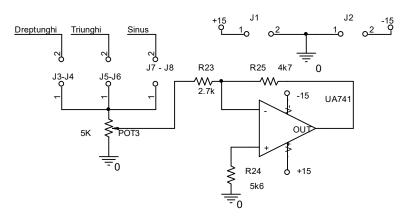


Fig. 3. Amplitude adjustment circuit

• Use the jumpers to connect J9 with J10.

• To modify the amplitude of the rectangular signal, connect *J3* with *J4*. Visualize the signal from the *Dreptunghi* and *Out* points.

• Modify *Pot3* (from minimum to maximum) the minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage (*Out*).

• Check if for *Pot3* set at half, you get a value of the amplitude of the output voltage  $V_{Out}$  inside the interval you determined.

• To modify the amplitude of the triangular signal, disconnect J3 from J4 and connect J5 with J6. Visualize the signal from the Triunghi and Out points.

• Modify *Pot3* (from minimum to maximum) the minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage (*Out*).

• Check if for *Pot3* set at half, you get a value of the amplitude of the output voltage *V*<sub>Out</sub> inside the interval you determined.

• To modify the amplitude of the sinusoidal signal, disconnect J5 from J6 and connect J7 with J8. Visualize the signal from the Sinus and Out points.

• Modify *Pot3* (from minimum to maximum) the minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage (*Out*).

• Check if for *Pot3* set at half, you get a value of the amplitude of the output voltage  $V_{Out}$  inside the interval you determined.

#### Results

- The voltages in the *Dreptunghi* and *Out* points.
- The minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage *V*<sub>Out</sub>.
- The value of the amplitude of *V*<sub>Out</sub> for *Pot3* set at half.
- The voltages in the *Triunghi* and *Out* points.
- The minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage *V*<sub>Out</sub>.
- The value of the amplitude of *V*<sub>Out</sub> for *Pot3* set at half.
- The voltages in the *Triunghi* and *Out* points.
- The minimum and maximum values of the amplitude of the output voltage *V*<sub>Out</sub>.
- The value of the amplitude of *V*<sub>Out</sub> for *Pot3* set at half.

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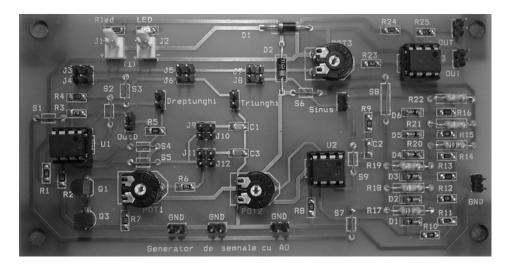


Fig. 4. Experimental assembly