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I/O Impedances Calculation

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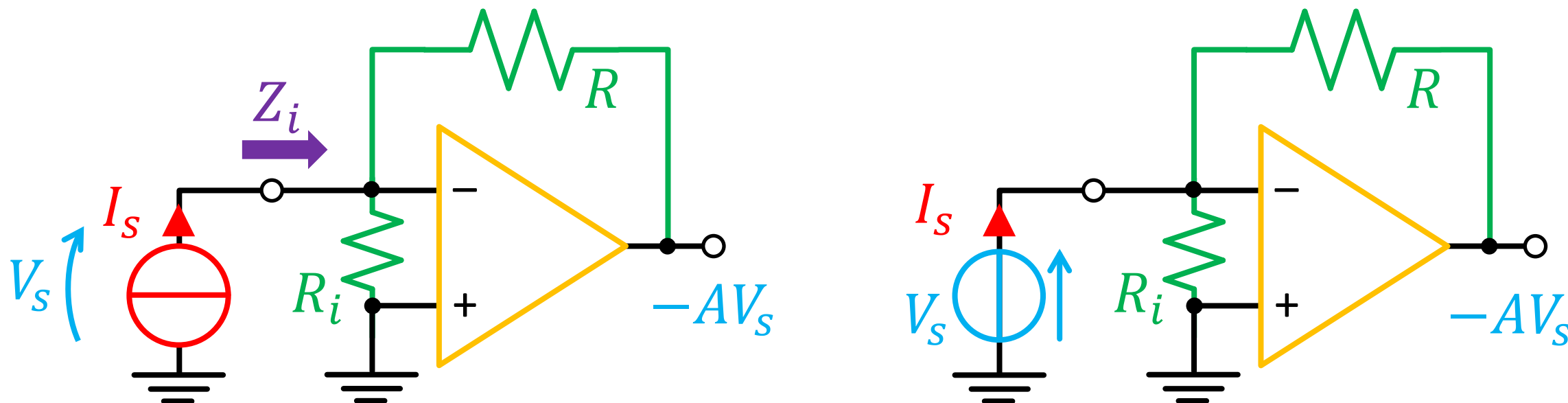


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Direct calculation (no feedback theory)

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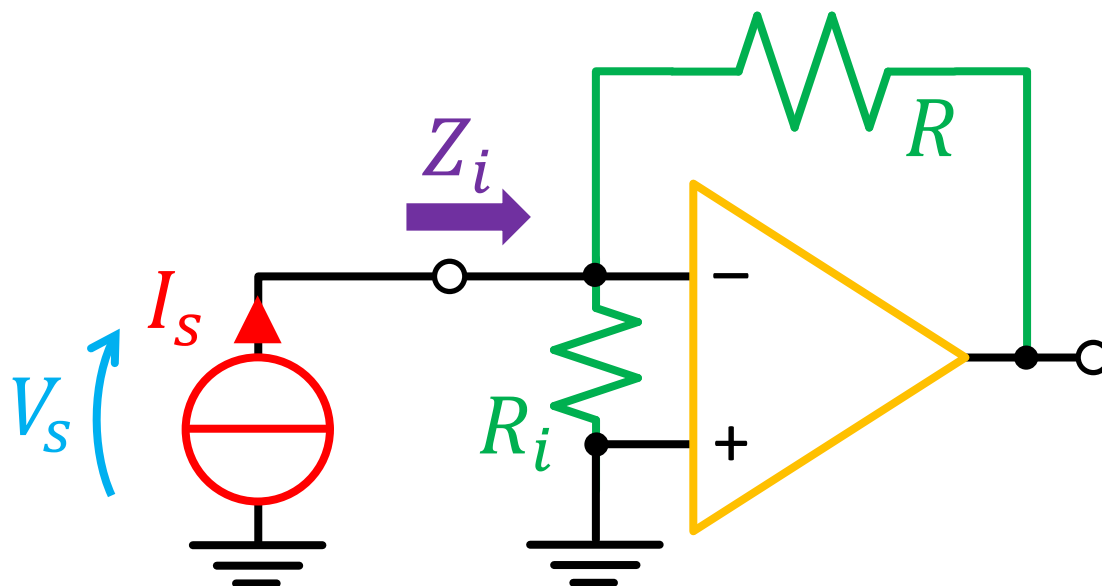


$$I_s = \frac{V_s}{R_i} + \frac{V_s(1 + A)}{R} \Rightarrow Z_{in} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_i} + \frac{1 + A}{R}} = \frac{RR_i}{R + R_i + AR_i}$$



Ideal case (current source)

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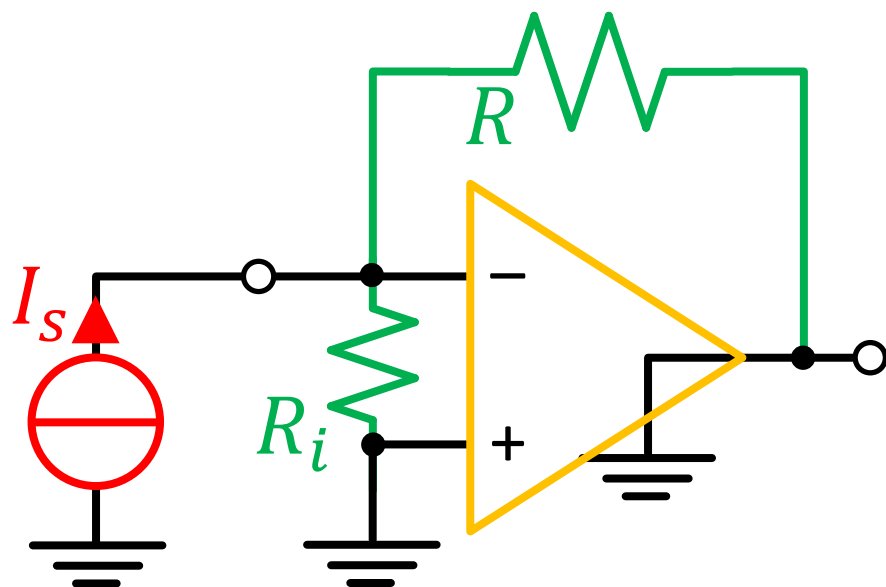


$$V_s = V^- = 0 \Rightarrow Z_{id} = \frac{V_s}{I_s} = 0 \Rightarrow Z_{in} = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 - G_{loop}}$$

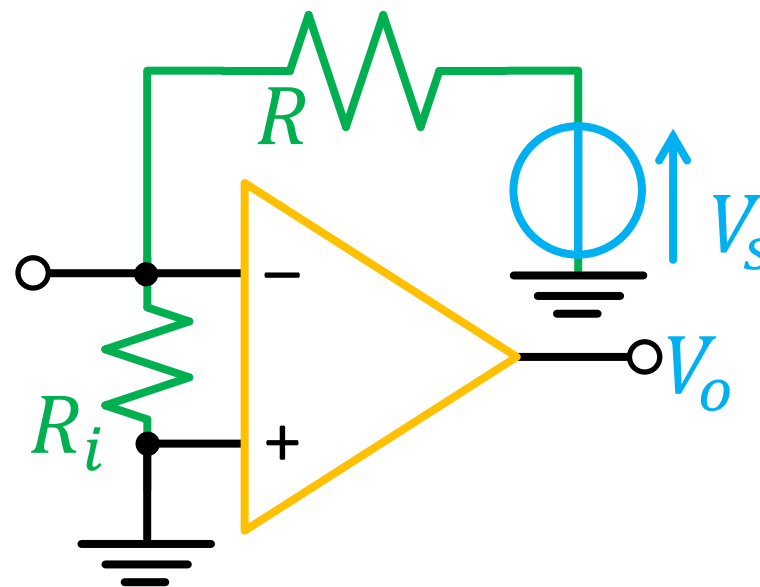


Z_{OL} and G_{loop}

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$$Z_{OL} = R_i \parallel R$$



$$G_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{R_i}{R + R_i}$$



Final result

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$$Z_{in} = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 - G_{loop}} = \frac{\frac{RR_i}{R + R_i}}{1 + \frac{AR_i}{R + R_i}} = \frac{RR_i}{R + R_i + AR_i}$$

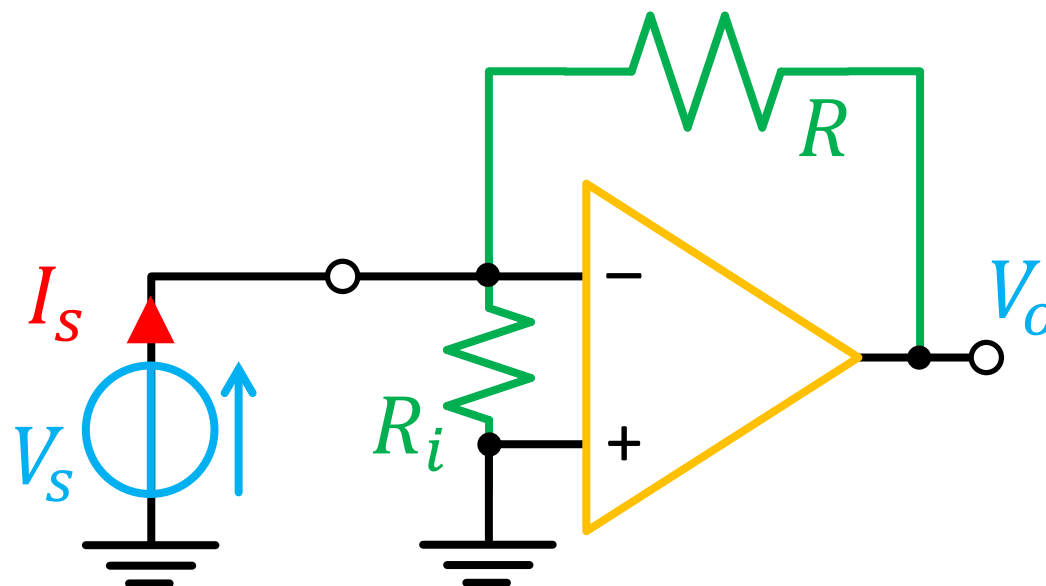
Side note: another way to look at the circuit is to consider R_i in parallel to the rest. The remaining circuit has $Z_{OL} = R$ and $G_{loop} = -A$, so that

$$Z_{in} = R_i \parallel \frac{R}{1 + A} = \frac{RR_i}{R + R_i + AR_i}$$



Ideal case (voltage source)

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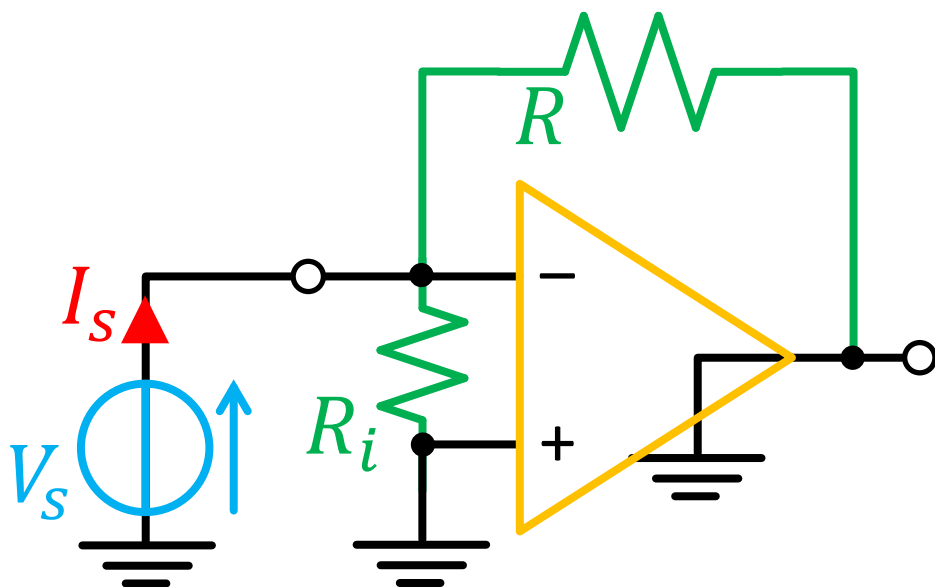


$$V_o = -\infty \Rightarrow I_s = \infty \Rightarrow Z_{id} = \frac{V_s}{I_s} = 0 \Rightarrow Z_{in} = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 - G_{loop}}$$

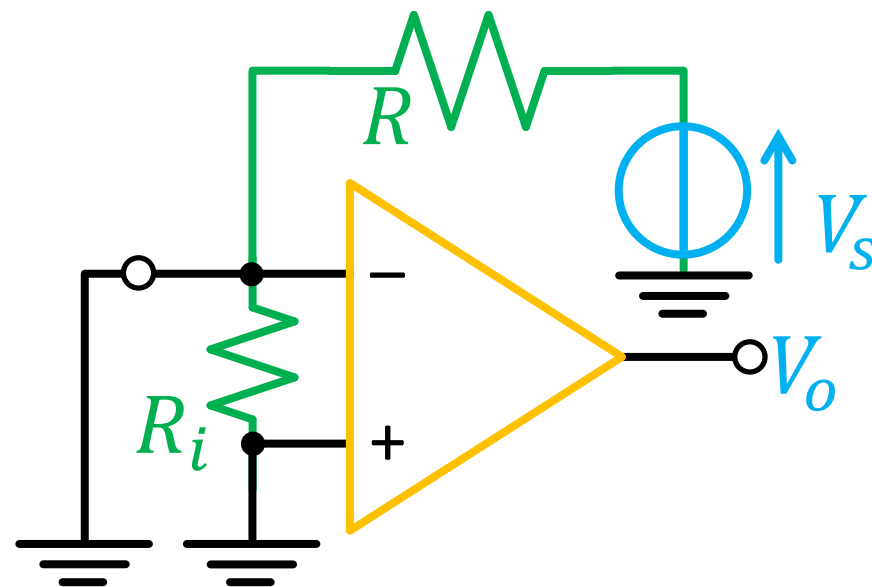


Z_{OL} and G_{loop}

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$$Z_{OL} = R_i \parallel R$$



$$G_{loop} = 0 (?)$$

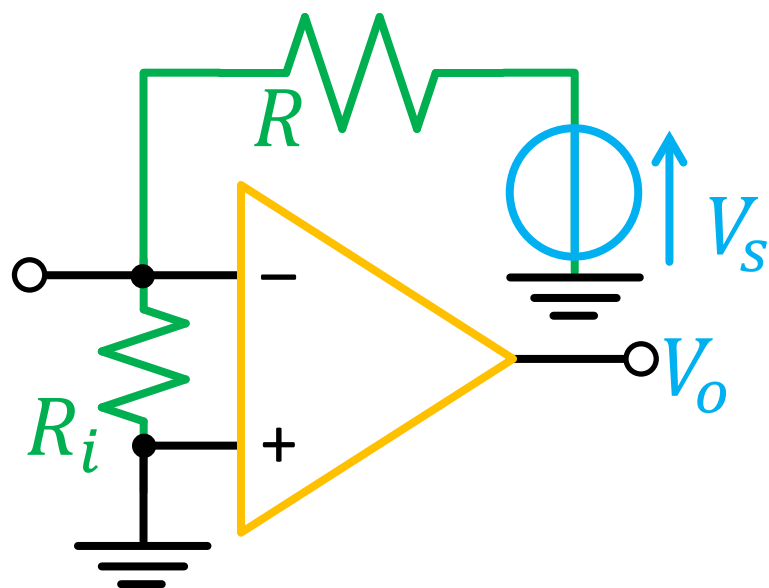


- Feedback circuit theory works **if the loop is not broken**, i.e., if $G_{loop} \neq 0$
- If you use the «wrong» source, you break the loop and end up with ∞ in voltages and/or currents, i.e., with inconsistencies in the equations in the ideal case (e.g., biasing a virtual ground or forcing currents through an infinite impedance)
- Practically
 - **Low Z (e.g., virtual ground, inv. input of OAs and OA output) $\Rightarrow$ current source**
 - **High Z (e.g., non inv. input of OAs) $\Rightarrow$ voltage source**

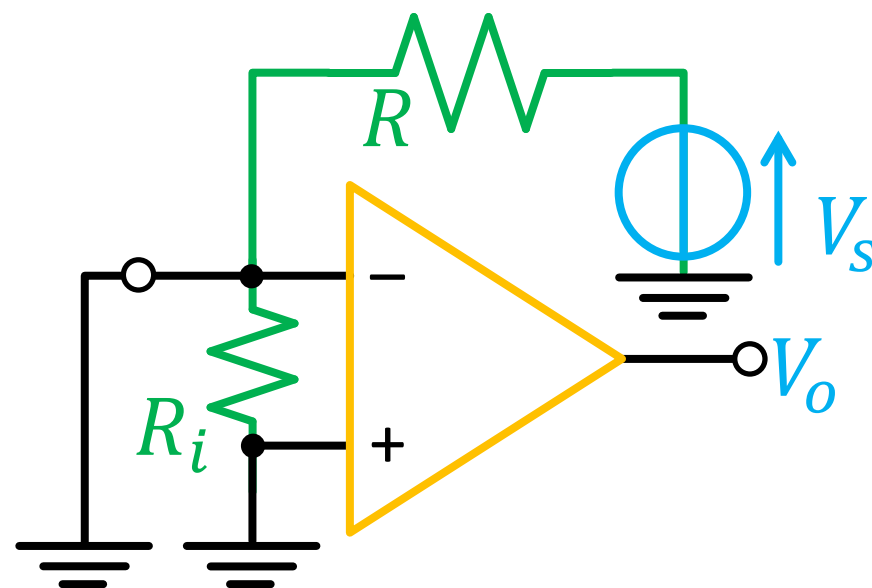


Blackman's formula

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$$G_{loop}^{oc} \neq 0$$



$$G_{loop}^{sc} = 0$$

$$Z = Z_{OL} \frac{1 - G_{loop}^{sc}}{1 - G_{loop}^{oc}}$$

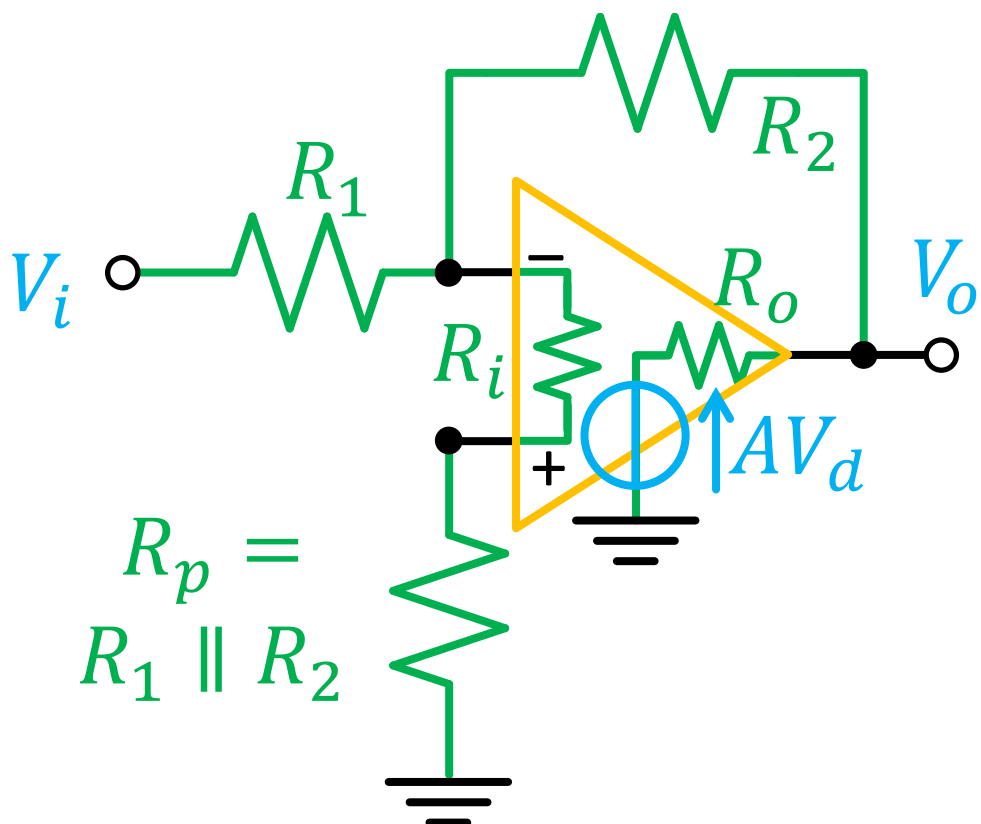


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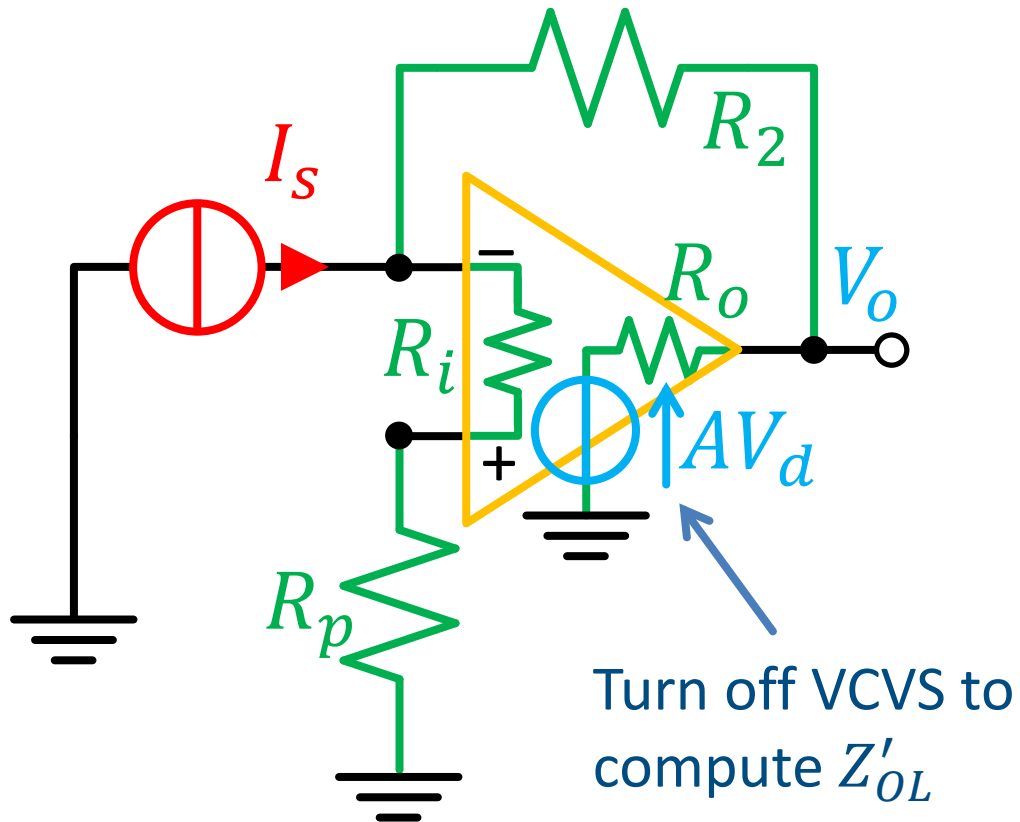
Inverting amplifier

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- $R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $R_2 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$
- $R_i = 2 \text{ M}\Omega$
- $R_o = 75 \Omega$
- $A_0 = 106 \text{ dB}$
- $GBWP = 1 \text{ MHz}$

1. Compute input and output impedances



$$Z_{in} = R_1 + Z'$$

$$Z'_{id} = 0 \text{ (virtual ground)}$$

 $\Leftrightarrow$ $\Rightarrow$

$$Z' = \frac{Z'_{OL}}{1 - G'_{loop}}$$

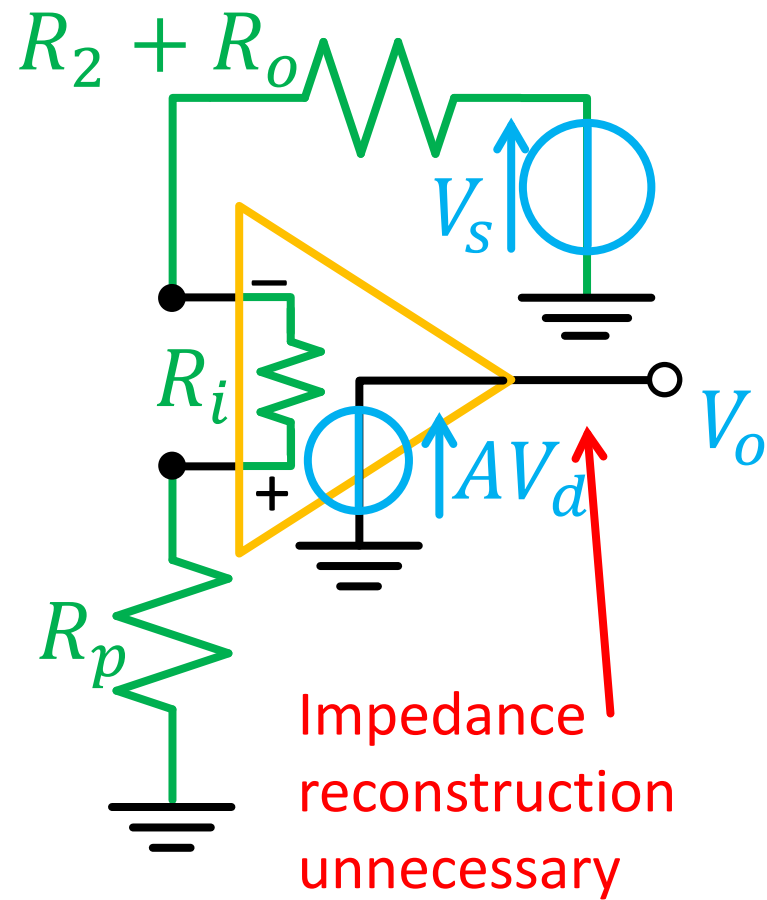
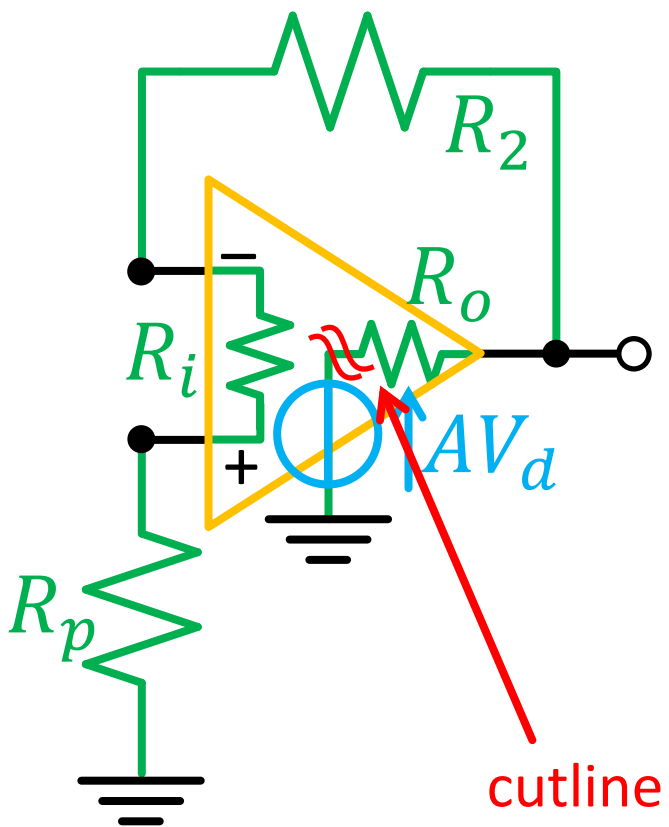
A **current source** must be used as test signal

$$\begin{aligned} Z'_{OL} &= (R_i + R_p) \parallel (R_2 + R_o) \\ &= 95.2 \text{ k}\Omega \end{aligned}$$



G'_{loop}

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$$G'_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_p + R_2 + R_o} = -0.95 A(s)$$

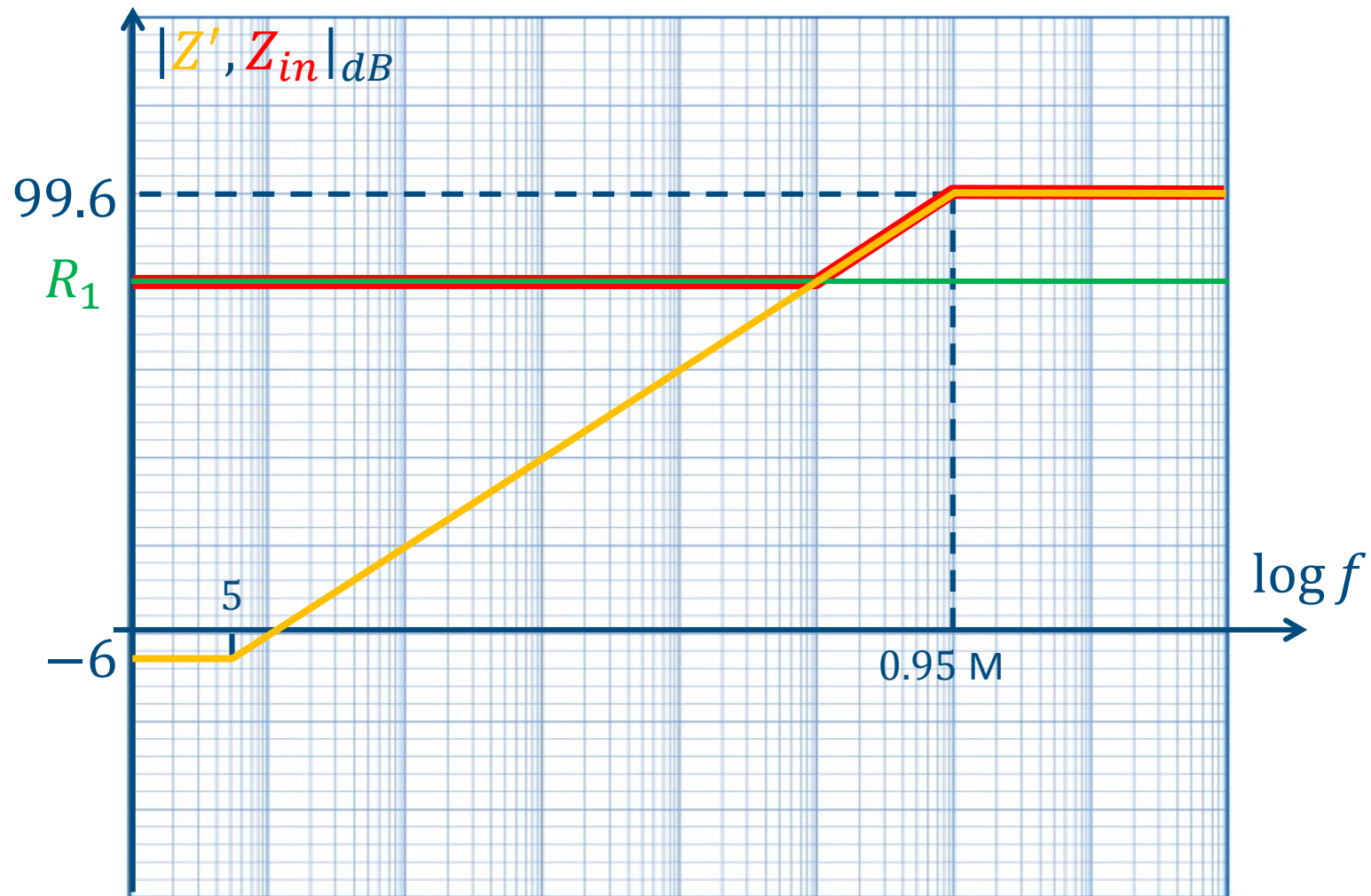
- Under DC condition, $A(s) = A_0 = 2 \times 10^5 \Rightarrow |G'_{loop}| = 1.9 \times 10^5 \Rightarrow Z' = 0.5 \Omega \Rightarrow Z_{in} = R_1 + Z' = R_1 = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$
- At higher frequencies

$$Z' = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 + \frac{1.9 \times 10^5}{1 + s\tau}} \approx Z_{OL} \frac{1 + s\tau}{1.9 \times 10^5 + s\tau}$$



Bode plot

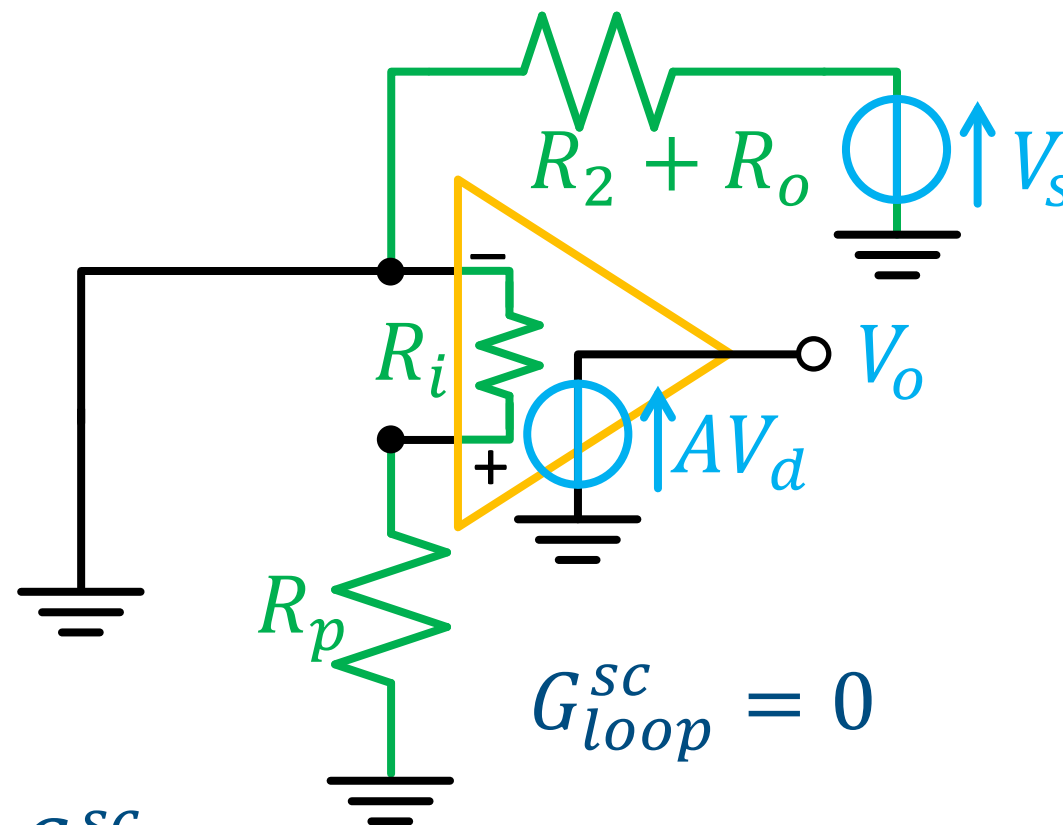
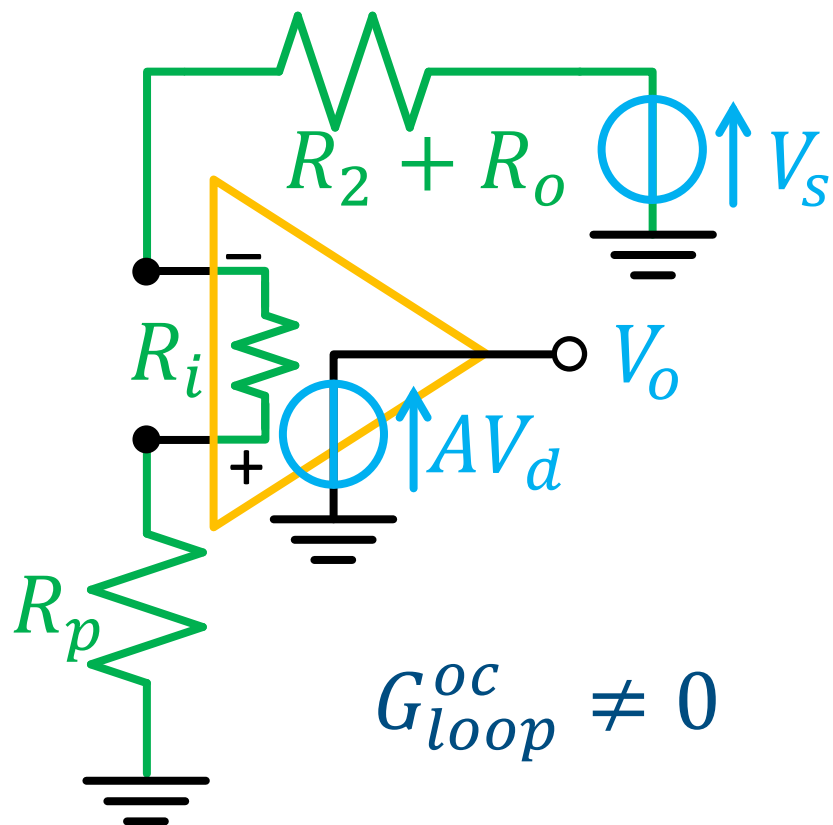
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Blackman's formula

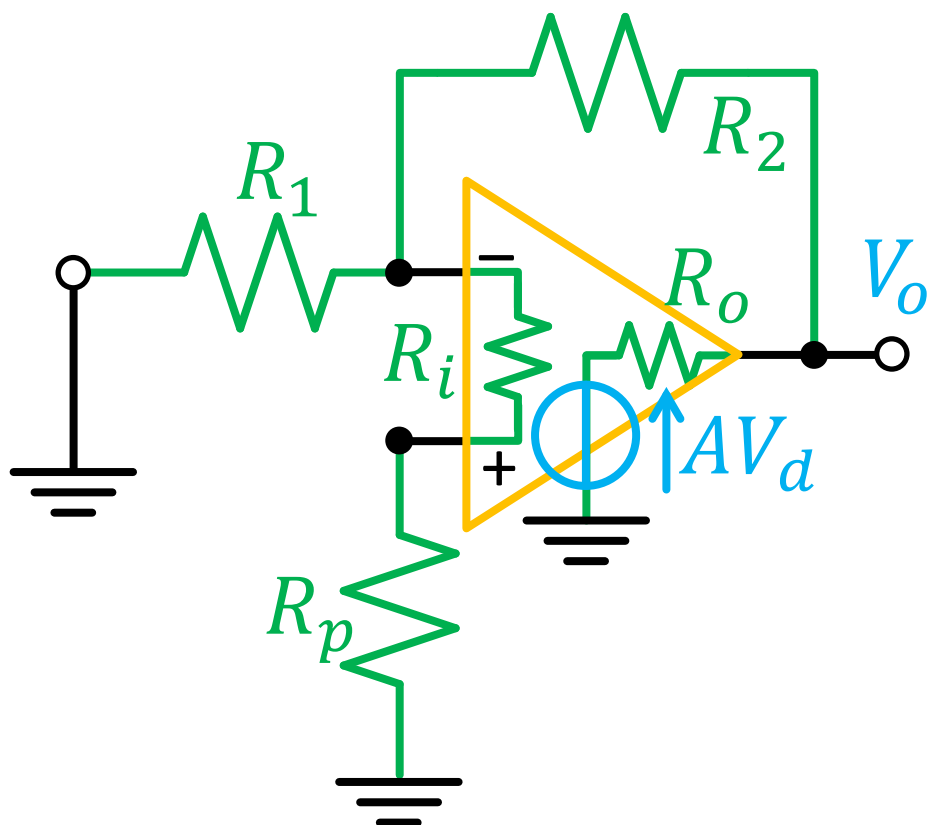
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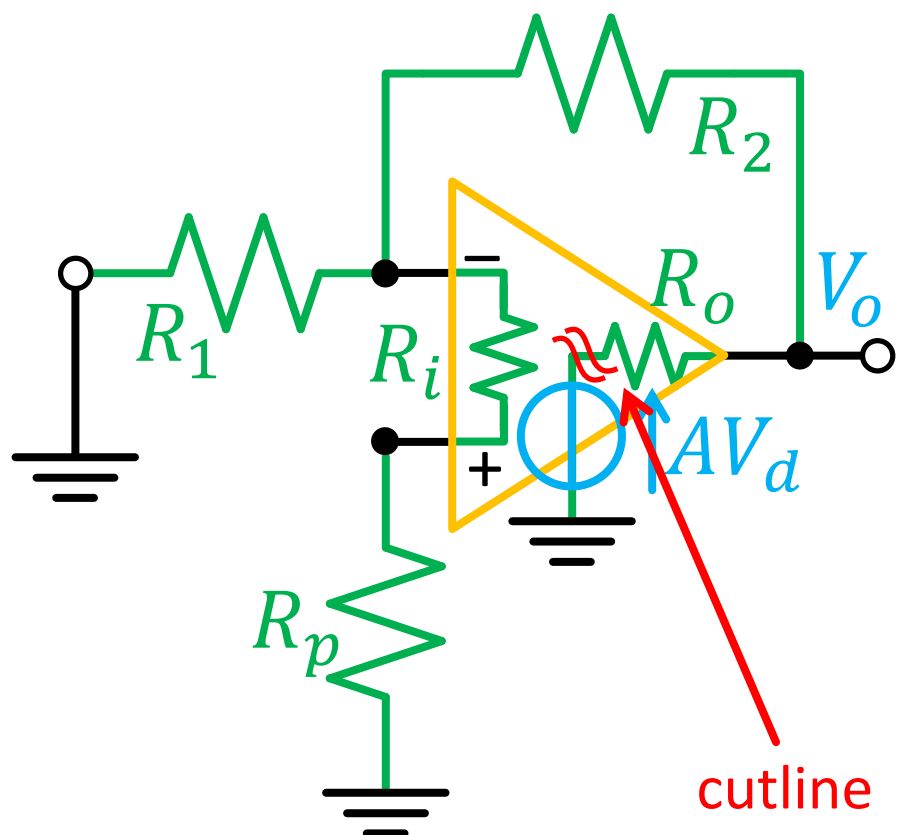
$$Z_{id} = 0$$



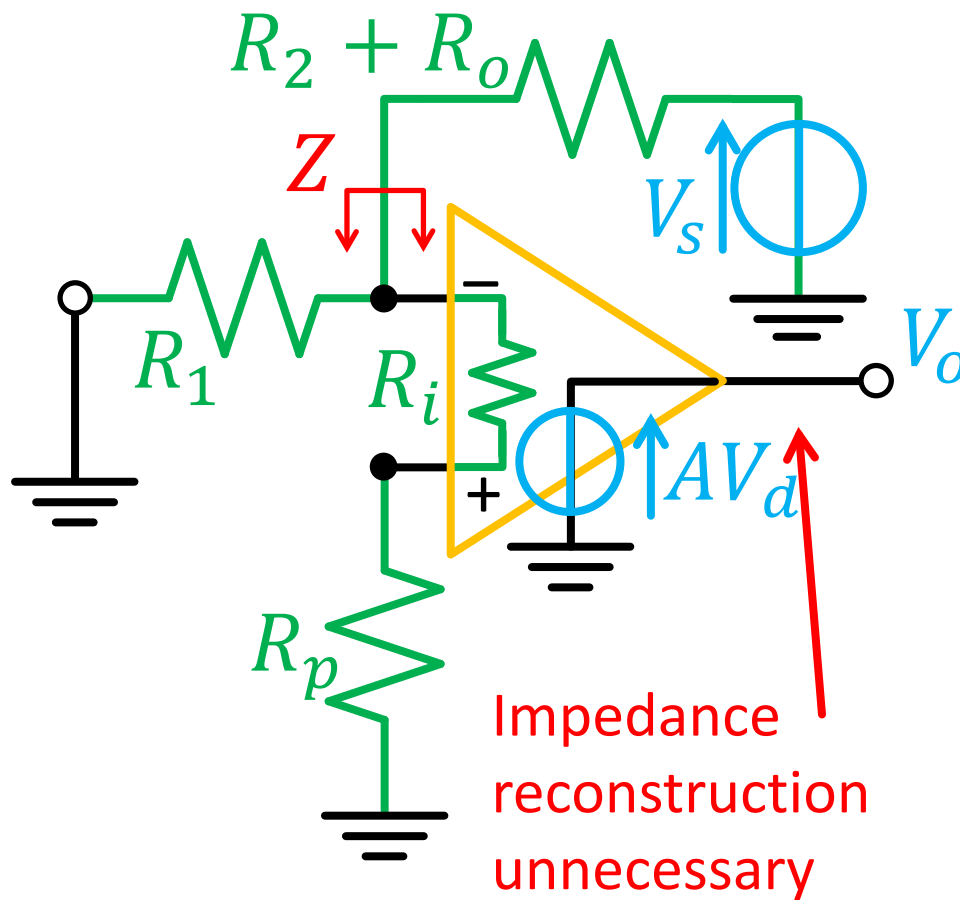
$$Z_{out} = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 - G_{loop}}$$

A **current source** must be used as test signal

$$Z_{OL} = \left((R_i + R_p) \parallel R_1 + R_2 \right) \parallel R_o$$
$$\approx R_o = 75 \, \Omega$$



cutline



Impedance
reconstruction
unnecessary



$$G_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{Z}{Z + R_2 + R_o} \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_p} = -0.09 A(s)$$

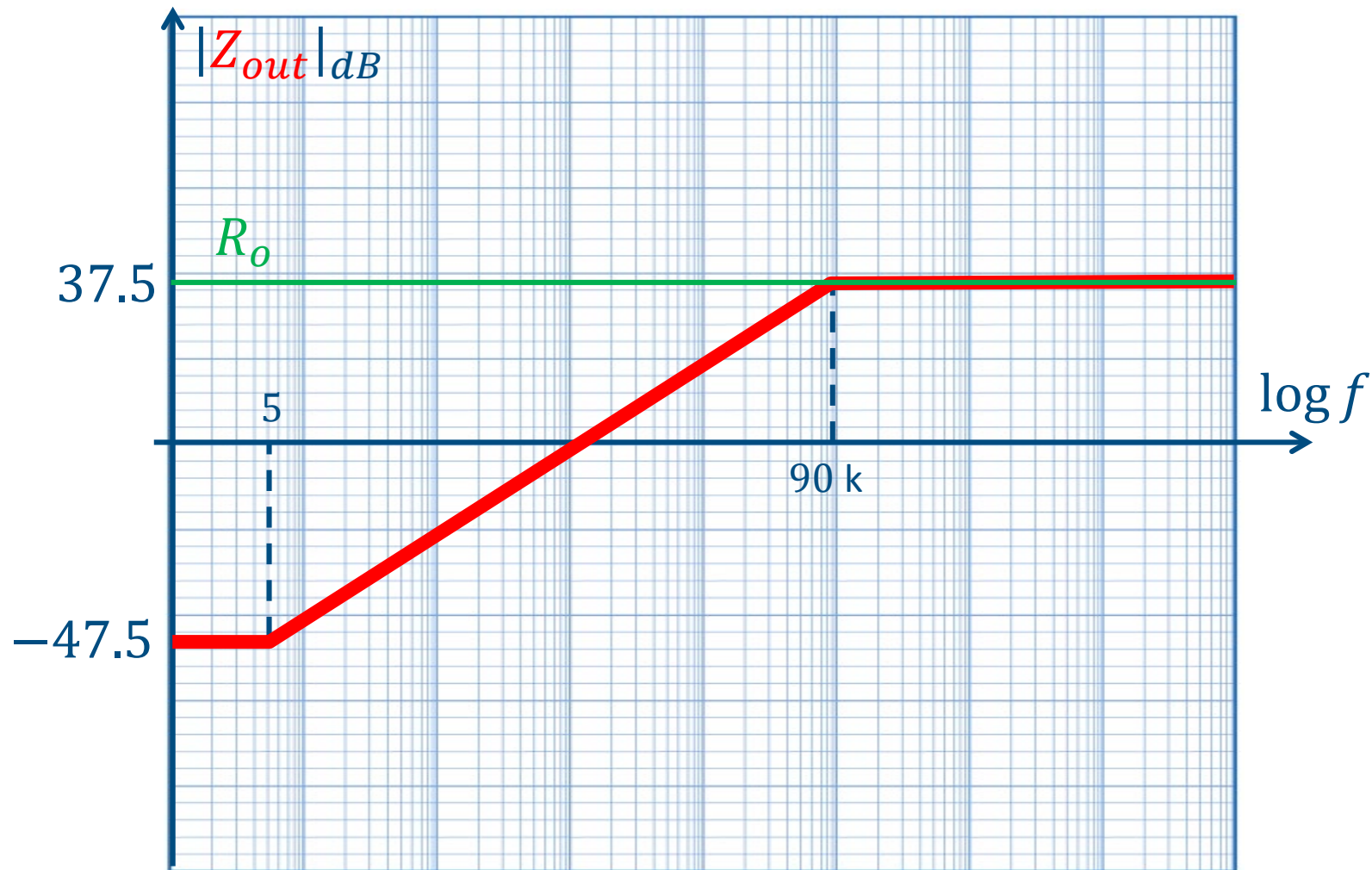
- Under DC condition, $A(s) = A_0 = 2 \times 10^5 \Rightarrow G'_{loop} = 1.8 \times 10^4$
and $Z_{out} = 4.2 \text{ m}\Omega$
- At high frequencies

$$Z_{out} = \frac{Z_{OL}}{1 + \frac{1.8 \times 10^4}{1 + s\tau}} \approx Z_{OL} \frac{1 + s\tau}{1.8 \times 10^4 + s\tau}$$



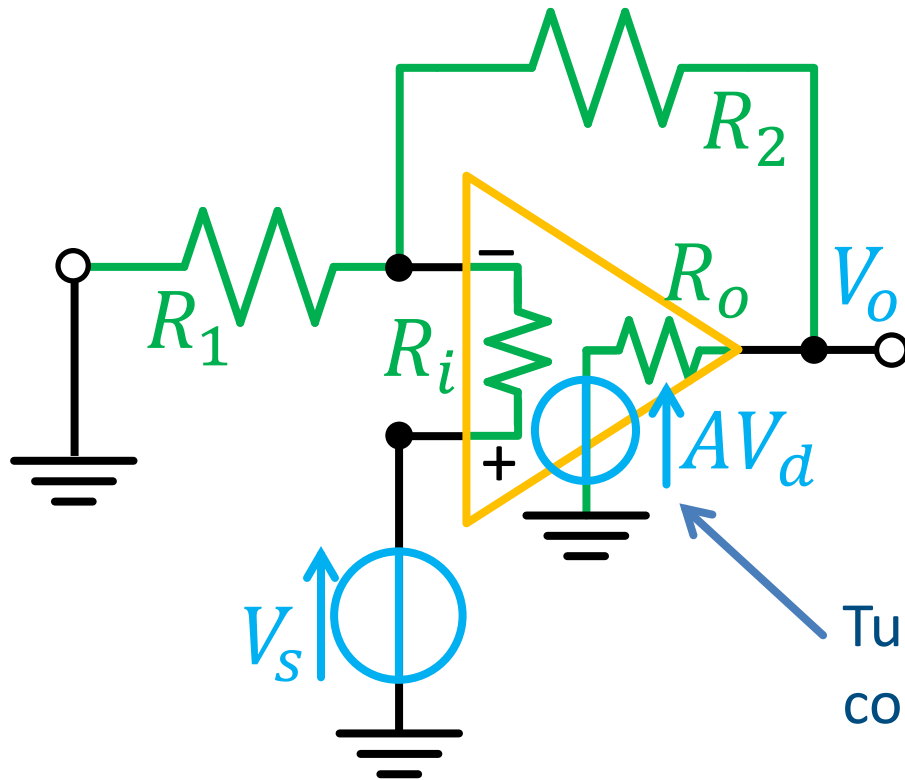
Bode plot

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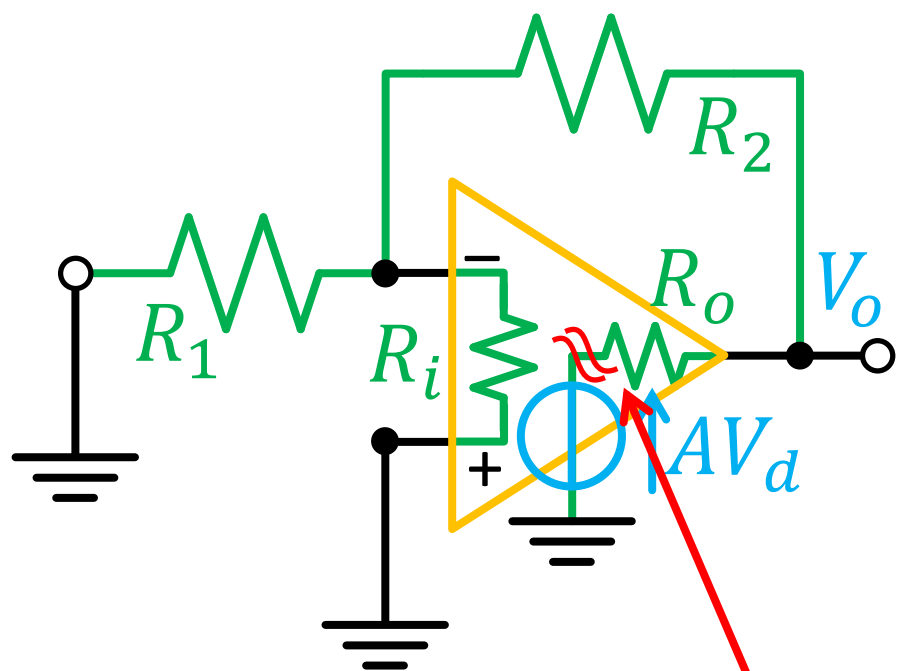
$$Z'_{id} = \infty \quad (V_d = 0)$$

 $\nLeftrightarrow$ $\Rightarrow$

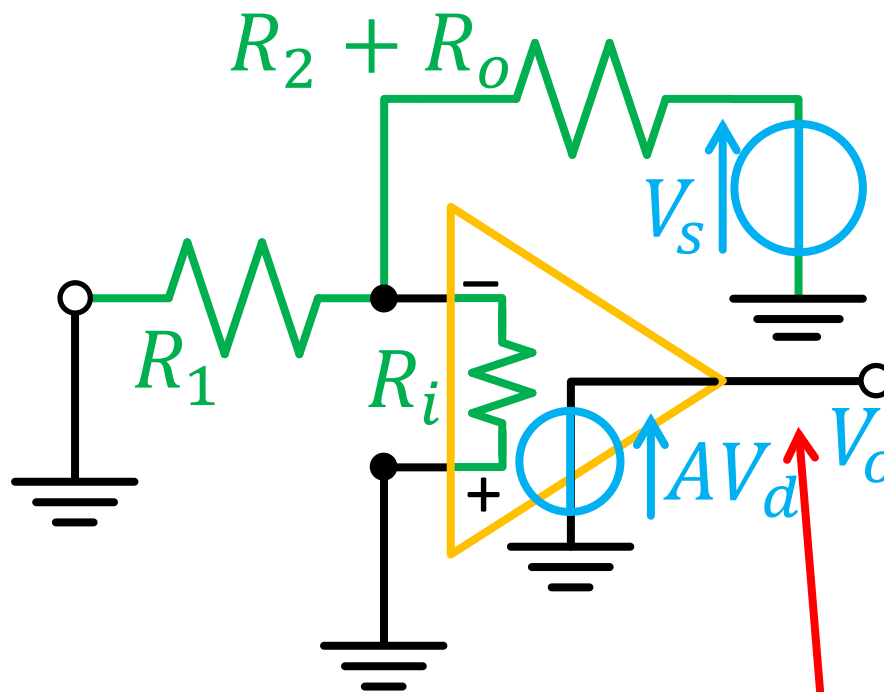
$$Z' = Z'_{OL}(1 - G'_{loop})$$

A **voltage source**
must be used as
test signal

$$Z'_{OL} = R_i + R_1 \parallel (R_2 + R_o) \approx R_i = 2 \text{ M}\Omega$$



cutline



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$$G'_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{R_1 \parallel R_i}{R_1 \parallel R_i + R_2 + R_o} = -0.09 A(s)$$

- At low frequencies, $A(s) = A_0 = 2 \times 10^5 \Rightarrow G'_{loop} = 1.8 \times 10^4$
and $Z' = 3.6 \times 10^{10} \Omega = 36 \text{ G}\Omega \Rightarrow Z_{in} = R_p + Z' = Z'$
- At high frequencies

$$Z_{in} \approx Z_{OL} \left(1 + \frac{1.8 \times 10^4}{1 + s\tau} \right) \approx Z_{OL} \frac{1.8 \times 10^4 + s\tau}{1 + s\tau}$$



Bode plot

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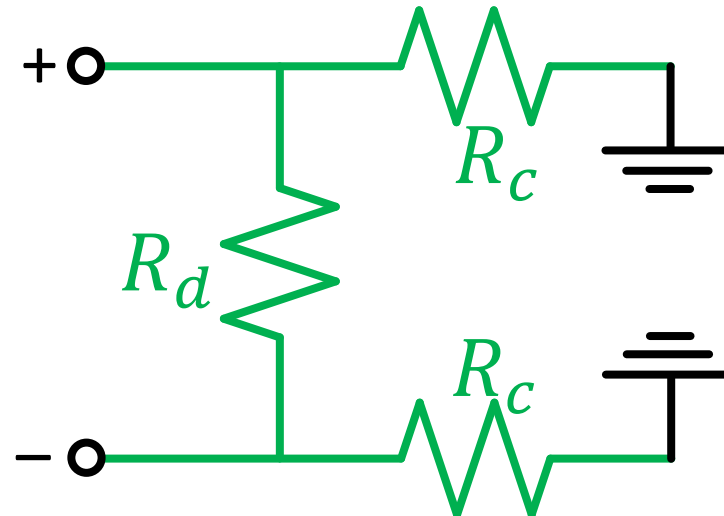


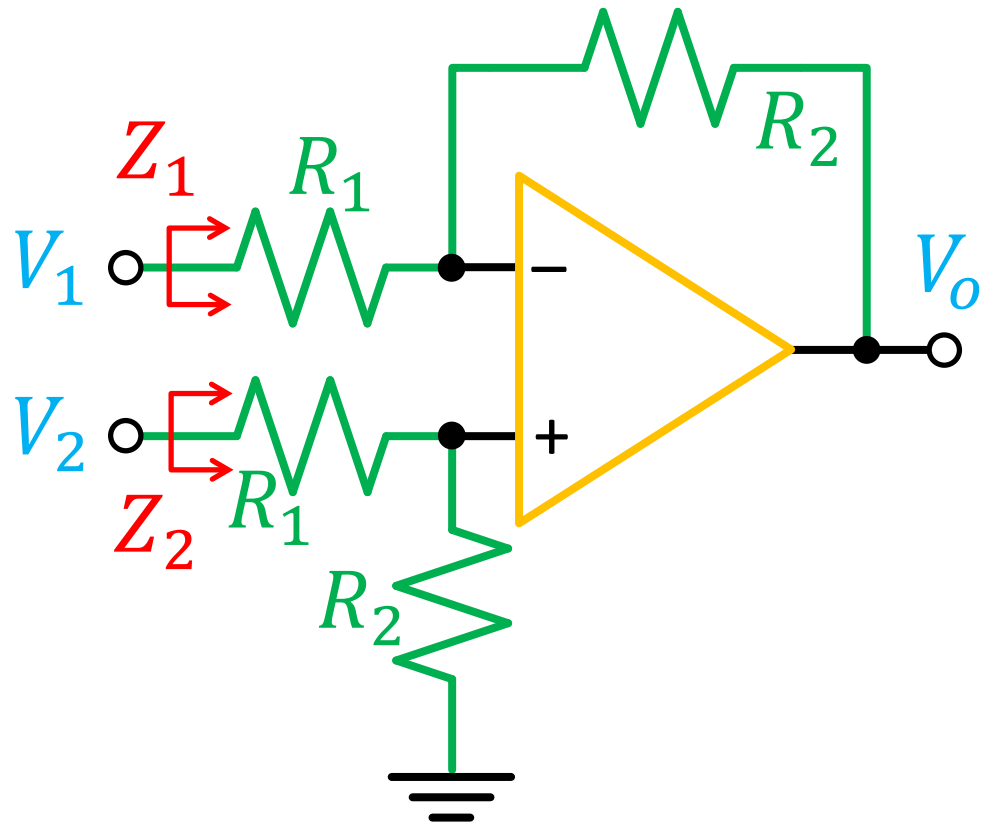


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- In the general case it is not possible to provide a purely passive equivalent of the amplifier inputs
- If the amplifier is symmetric (or antisymmetric), the input can usually be represented by a pi network



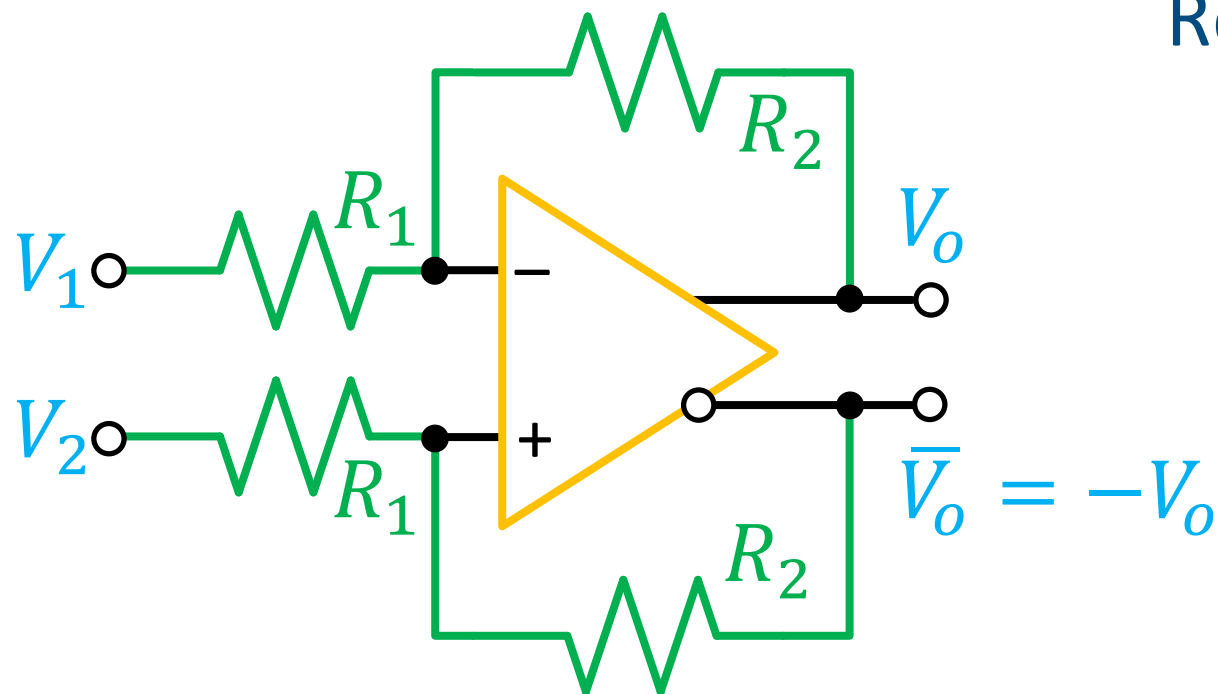


- The circuit is non-symmetric
- $Z_2 = R_1 + R_2$
- Z_1 cannot be broken down into a common- and differential-mode resistance
- Sometimes a differential input resistance is defined, related to a floating differential input voltage



Fully-differential amplifier (FDA)

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Results are

$$V_o = \frac{R_2}{2R_1} (V_2 - V_1)$$

$$R_c = R_1 + R_2$$

$$R_d = \frac{2R_1}{R_2} (R_1 + R_2)$$



1. Find the relation between the differential impedance defined as in slide #31 and the resistances of the pi network
2. Derive the results for gain and impedances of the FDA



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- The calculation of Z_{in} (NI input) was conducted after removal of R_p , placed in series (slide #25)
- However, R_p does not affect $Z_{id} = \infty$, and can be left in the loop
- Calculations for the two cases are shown in the following (hint: results do not change)
- An analogous case is that of impedances in parallel to a node where $Z_{id} = 0$. They can be either removed or left



R_p outside the loop

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$$Z'_{OL} = R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2 \quad G'_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{R_1 \parallel R_i}{R_1 \parallel R_i + R_2}$$

$$Z_{in} = R_p + (R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2) \left(1 + A(s) \frac{R_1 \parallel R_i}{R_1 \parallel R_i + R_2} \right) =$$

$$R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2 +$$

$$A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{\cancel{R_1 R_i + R_2 (R_1 + R_i)}} \frac{\cancel{R_i (R_1 + R_2) + R_1 R_2}}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$Z_{in} = R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2 + A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{R_1 + R_2}$$



R_p inside the loop

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$$Z_{OL} = R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2$$

$$G_{loop} = -A(s) \frac{R_1 \parallel (R_i + R_p)}{R_1 \parallel (R_i + R_p) + R_2} \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_p} = -A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{R_1 (R_i + R_p) + R_2 (R_1 + R_i + R_p)}$$

$$Z_{in} = (R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2) \left(1 + A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{R_1 (R_i + R_p) + R_2 (R_1 + R_i + R_p)} \right) =$$
$$R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2 +$$

$$A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{R_1 (R_i + R_p) + R_2 (R_1 + R_i + R_p)} \frac{(R_p + R_i)(R_1 + R_2) + R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$Z_{in} = R_p + R_i + R_1 \parallel R_2 + A(s) \frac{R_1 R_i}{R_1 + R_2}$$