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Lecture 2

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❖ In today's lecture we try to cover following topics

- The starting voltage
- Basic principles of LC oscillators
- Hartley oscillator
- Colpitts oscillator
- Basic principles of RC oscillators
- Phase shift oscillator
- Wien bridge oscillator

❖ The starting voltage:-

- No external input is required in case of oscillators.
- The oscillator output supplies its own input under proper conditions.
- If no input is required, how oscillator starts?
- From where does the starting voltage come?
- We know that..... Every resistance has some free electrons. With normal room temperature, they start moving randomly in various directions.
- Such movement of free electron generate a voltage called noise voltage across the resistance & these voltages gets amplified.
- To do so, $A\beta$ is kept >1 at start. Such amplified voltage appears at the output terminals.
- The part of output is sufficient to drive the input of the amplifier circuit.
- The circuit then adjusts itself to get $A\beta = 1$ & with 360° phase shift, and we get sustained oscillations..

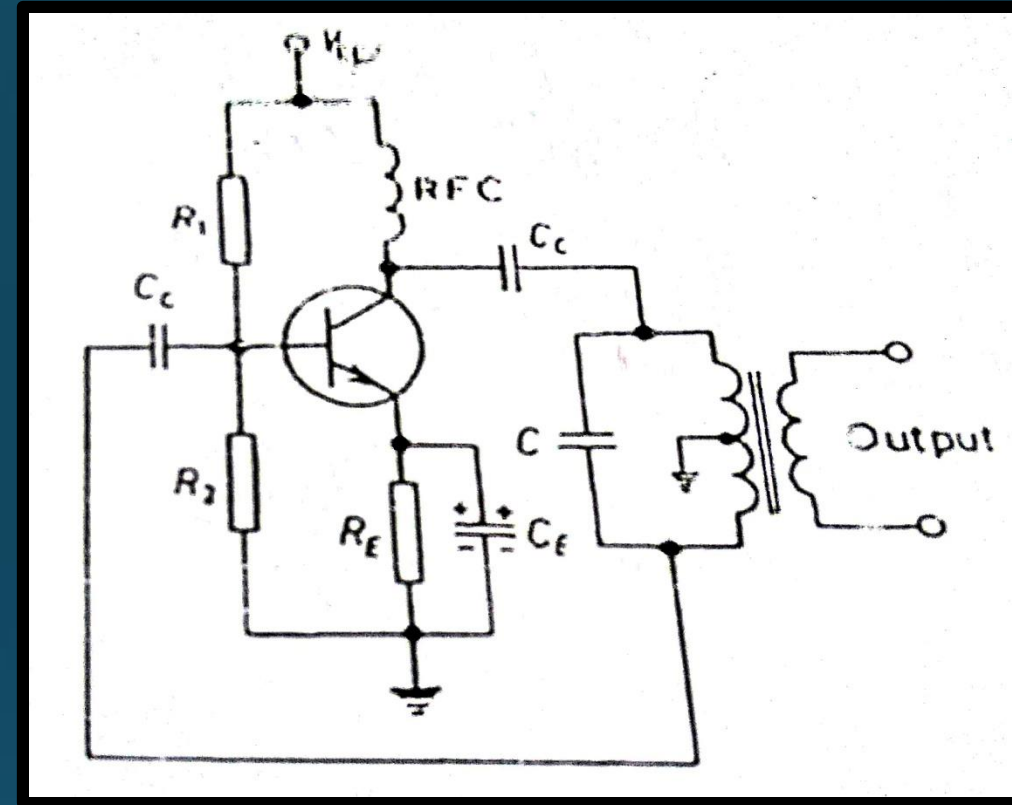
❖ Basic principles of LC oscillators

- LC oscillators are generally used to generate High frequency oscillations
- There are mainly two types of LC Oscillator
 - Hartley oscillator
 - Colpitts oscillator
- Every LC oscillator circuit contains **RFC (Radio Frequency Choke)**
- A RFC (Radio Frequency Choke) is a basic inductor used to choke radio frequencies..
 - This kind of inductor will allow DC current to pass through but block AC current in the radio frequency range..



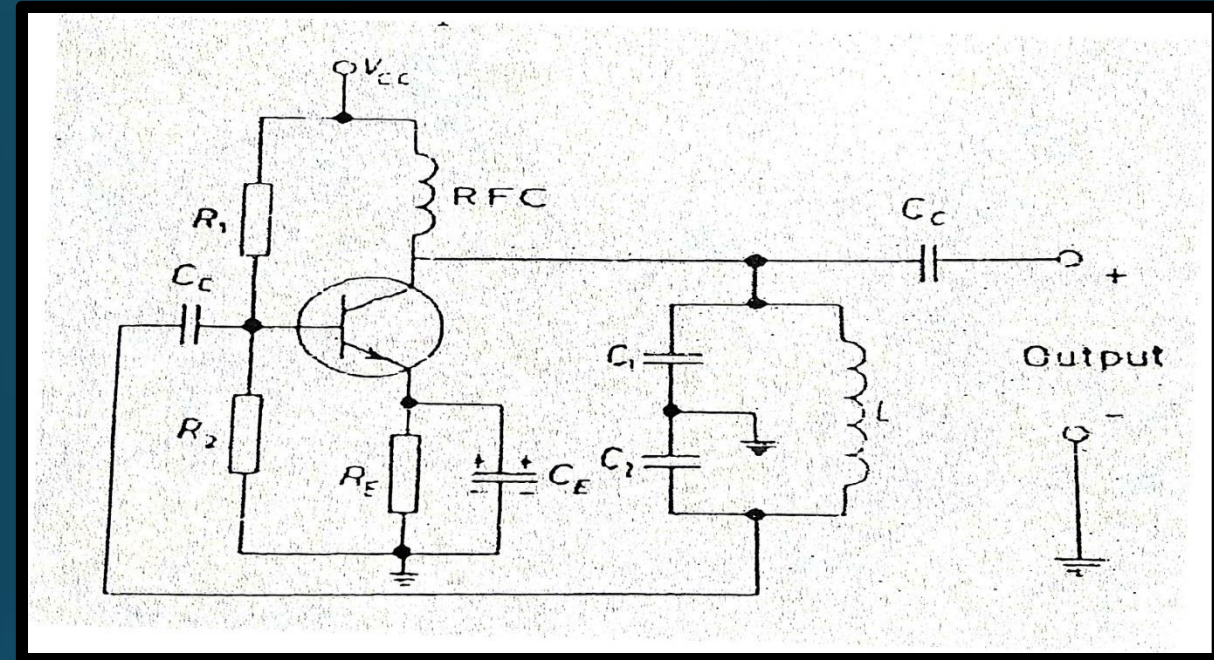
❖ Hartley Oscillator

- The Hartley oscillator circuit is shown in the fig .
- In this circuit the coil becomes an integral part of the tank circuit
- It uses a split tank inductor.
- The Radio Frequency Choke (RFC) permits an easy flow of dc current
- It offers high impedance to high frequency currents.
- The coupling capacitor C_c does not permit the dc current to go to the tank circuit
- The radio-frequency energy developed across the RFC capacitively coupled to the tank circuit through the capacitor C_c .



❖ Colpits Oscillator

- The Colpitts oscillator circuit is shown in the figure .
- It is widely used in commercial signal generators above 1 MHz
- It uses a split tank capacitor C as shown in the figure.
- The Radio Frequency Choke (RFC) permits an easy flow of dc current.
- It offers high impedance to high frequency currents.
- The voltage developed across the capacitor C₂ provides the regenerative feedback required for the sustained oscillations



- The values of L , C_1 , and C_2 determine the frequency of oscillation. The frequency of oscillations is given by the equation

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

- Where C_1 and C_2 are in series and hence

$$C = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

❖ Basic principles of RC oscillators:-

- RC oscillators are generally used to generate low frequency oscillations
- There are mainly two types of RC Oscillator: Phase Shift Oscillator and Wein Bridge Oscillator
- A single stage amplifier shifts the phase of the input signal by 180°
- So if the output is directly fed back to the input then a negative feedback occurs which decreases the net output voltage
- However for producing oscillations a positive feedback is required. This occurs only if the feedback signal is in phase with input signal

- This can be achieved in two different ways.
- One way is to give the input signal a phase shift of 180° prior to feeding it back to the input. This makes the total phase shift 360° . This technique is used in the phase shift oscillator.
- Another way is to use two stages of amplifiers. Each stage produces a phase shift of 180° and hence the total phase shift will be 360° . The technique is used in Wein Bridge oscillator.

❖ Phase Shift Oscillator

❖ The circuit diagram of a phase shift oscillator is shown in the figure

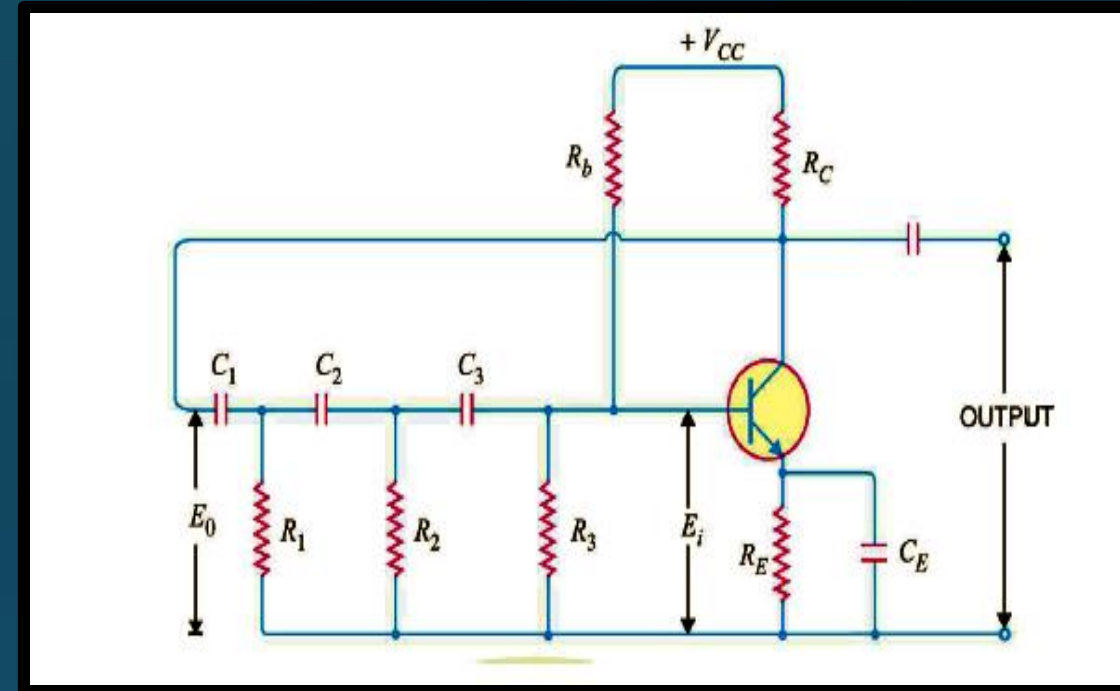
➤ Here the combination $R_E C_E$ provides a self-bias for the amplifier

➤ The phase of the signal at input gets reversed (180° out of phase) when it is amplified by the amplifier

➤ The output of amplifier passes through a feedback network consisting of **three** identical RC networks

➤ Each RC network provides a phase shift of 60° , thus making the total phase shift to be 180°

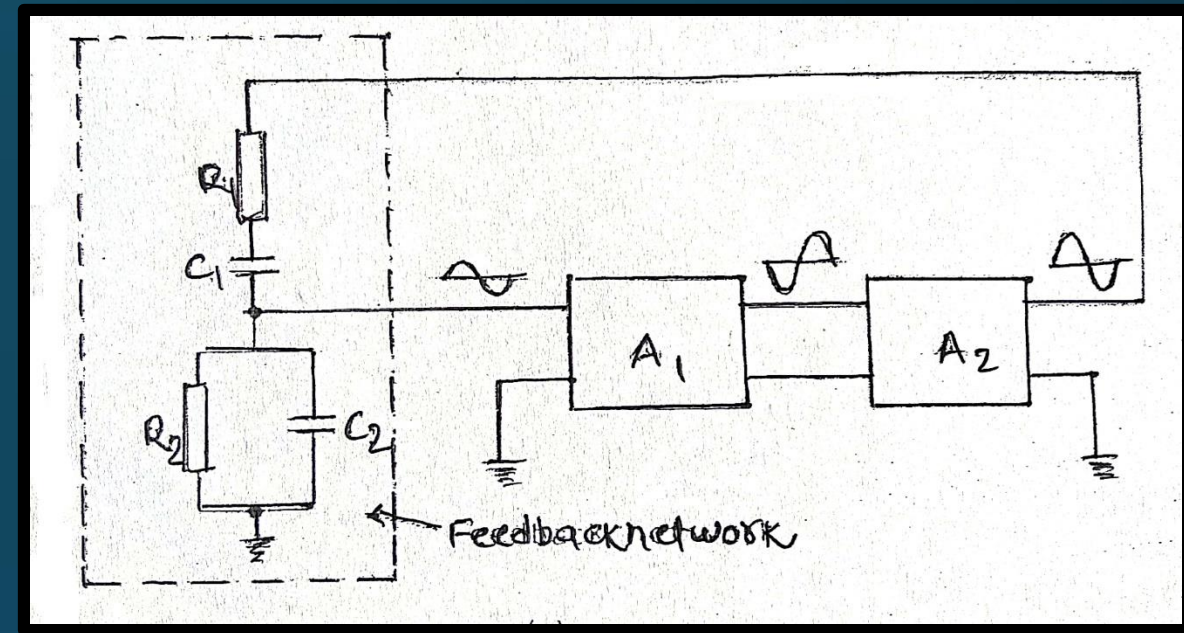
➤ This output will now be in phase with the input signal.



- If the Barkhausen Condition $A\beta = 1$ is satisfied, the oscillations will be sustained
- The frequency at which the RC network provides a phase shift of exactly 180° is given by $f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi RC\sqrt{6}}$
- At this frequency the feedback factor of the RC network is $\beta = \frac{1}{29}$
- Then in order to satisfy the Barkhausen condition to produce the sustained oscillations, the gain A of the amplifier must be greater than 29,
- only then the oscillations will start

❖ Wein Bridge Oscillator

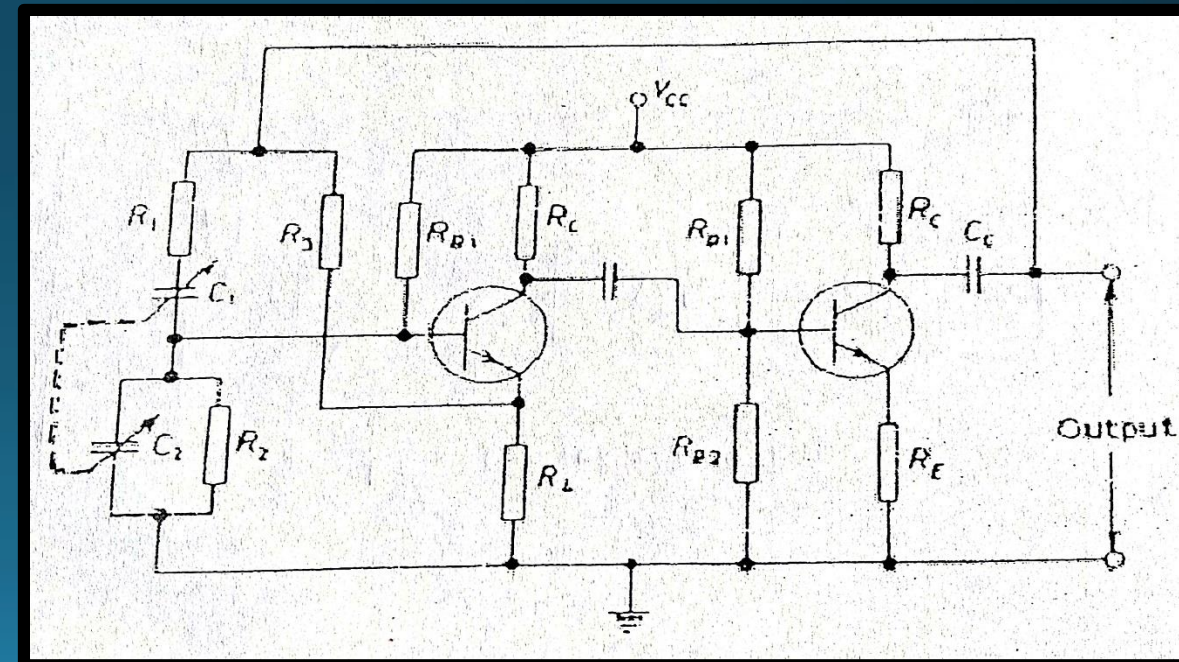
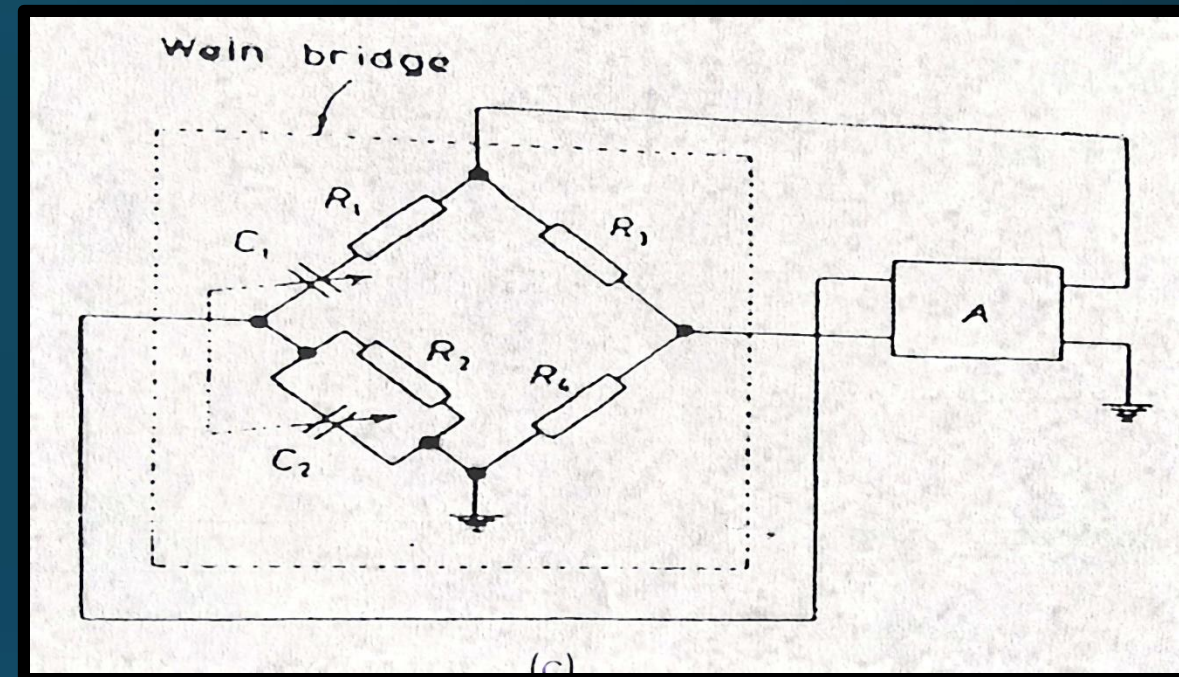
- A Wein bridge oscillator is used to generate low frequencies in the range of 10 Hz to 1 MHz
- It consists of two stages of RC coupled amplifier and a feedback network. The circuit diagram of such an oscillator is shown in fig.




- As shown in fig, A_1 and A_2 are two amplifier stages. The output of second stage goes to the feedback network
- Voltage across C_2 R_2 is fed to the input of the first stage. The net phase shift of the two amplifiers is zero

- The sustained oscillations are produced at the frequency $f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{R_1C_1R_2C_2}}$

- This is possible if we have $\beta = 1/3$ So the amplifier must have a gain A of at least 3 as per the Barkhausen condition
- In order to achieve this some negative feedback is added The modified circuit in form of **Bridge** is shown in figure >>>>>>>>>
- The circuit of figure is called Wein Bridge circuit. Hereby varying the two capacitors C_1 and C_2 , we can vary the frequency
- The practical circuit of Wein bridge oscillator using transistor is shown in figure >>>>>>>>>



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- ❖ IN THIS WAY OUR UNIT(III) OF PAPER US03CPHY22 COMPLIT ...
 - ❖ NEXT LECTURE WE START NEW UNIT
 - ❖ MAKE PROPER NOTES....



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