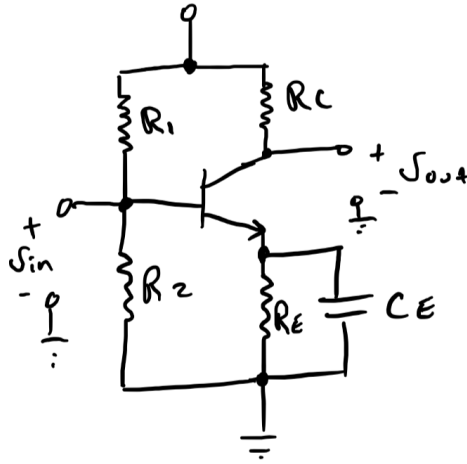
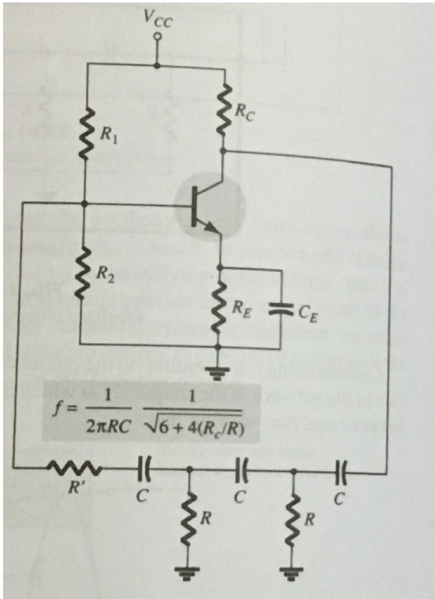


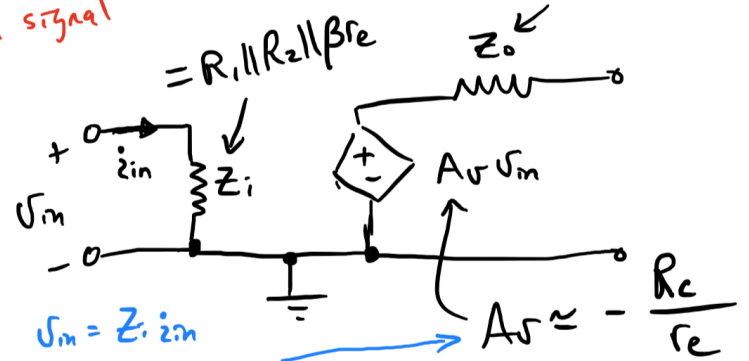
# Phase shift oscillator

First, recall CE amplifier:

$$r_e = \frac{V_T}{I_E} \approx \frac{V_T}{I_C} \approx R_c$$



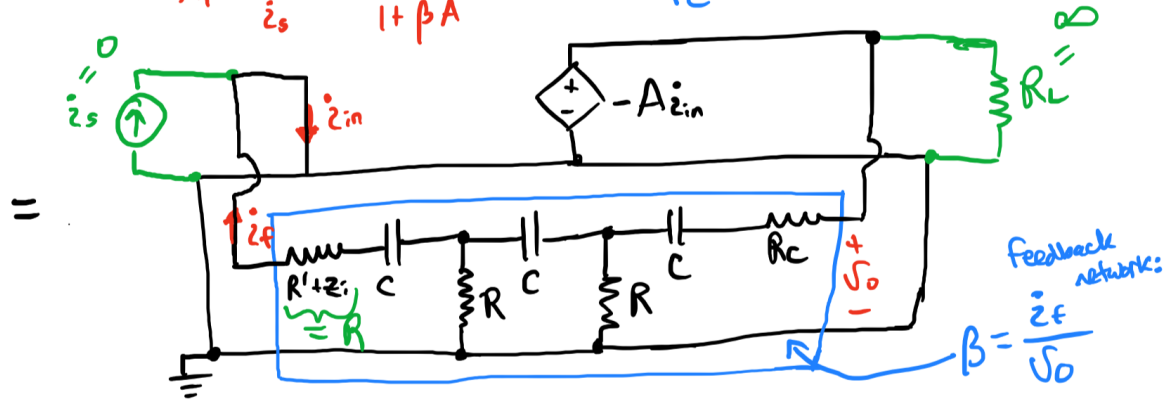
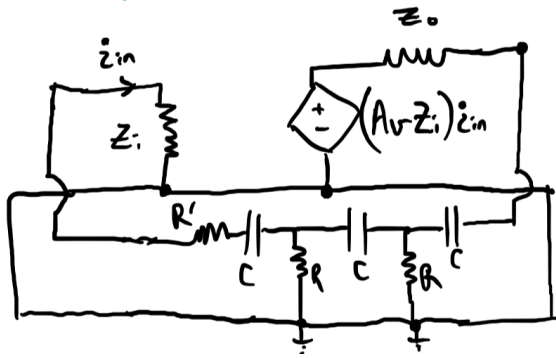
Small signal



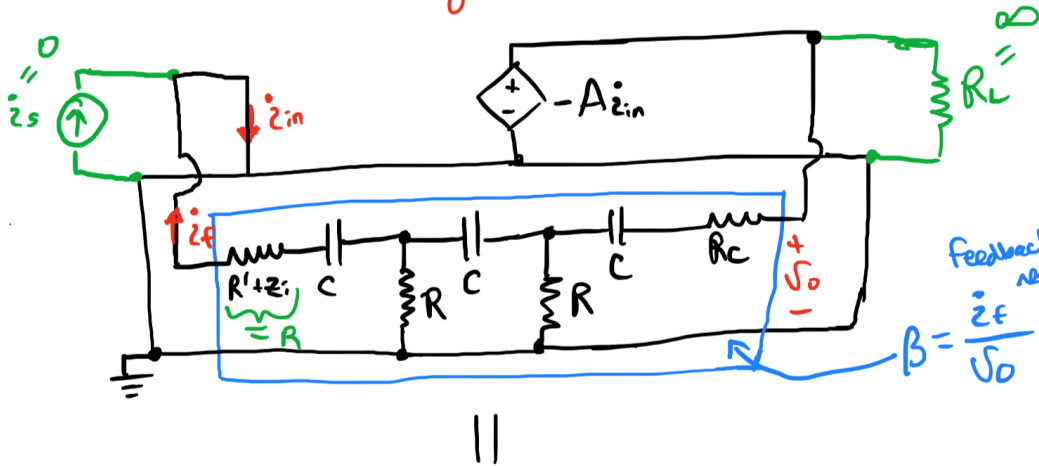
$$A_f = \frac{V_o}{i_s} = \frac{A}{1 + \beta A}$$

$$\equiv A = \frac{R_c}{r_e} (R_1 || R_2 || \beta r_e)$$

Eq. Small signal circuit:



Summary:



$$Z_i = R_i = R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta r_e \approx \beta r_e$$

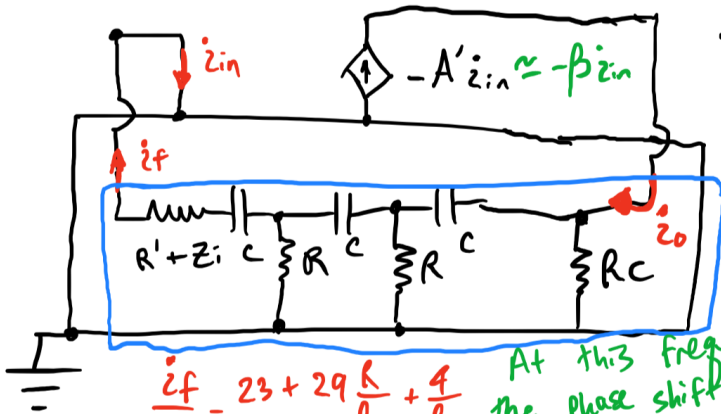
$$A = \frac{R_c}{r_e} R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta r_e \approx \beta R_c$$

for  $\beta r_e \ll R_1, R_2$

Feedback network:

$$\beta = \frac{z_f}{z_o}$$

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$$A' = \frac{A}{R_c} = \frac{R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta r_e}{r_e} \approx \beta \quad (\beta r_e \ll R_1, R_2)$$

$$Z_i = R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta r_e$$

$$R' + Z_i = R$$

Design Equations:

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi RC \sqrt{6 + 4(R_c/R)}}$$

$$\beta > 23 + 29 \frac{R}{R_c} + \frac{4}{R_c}$$

this is current attenuation at design frequency.

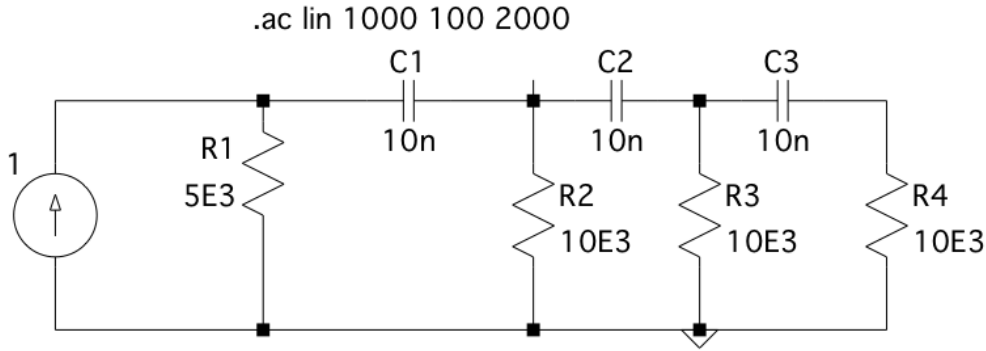
At this frequency the phase shift of feedback network is 180°

$$\frac{z_f}{z_o} = 23 + 29 \frac{R}{R_c} + \frac{4}{R_c}$$

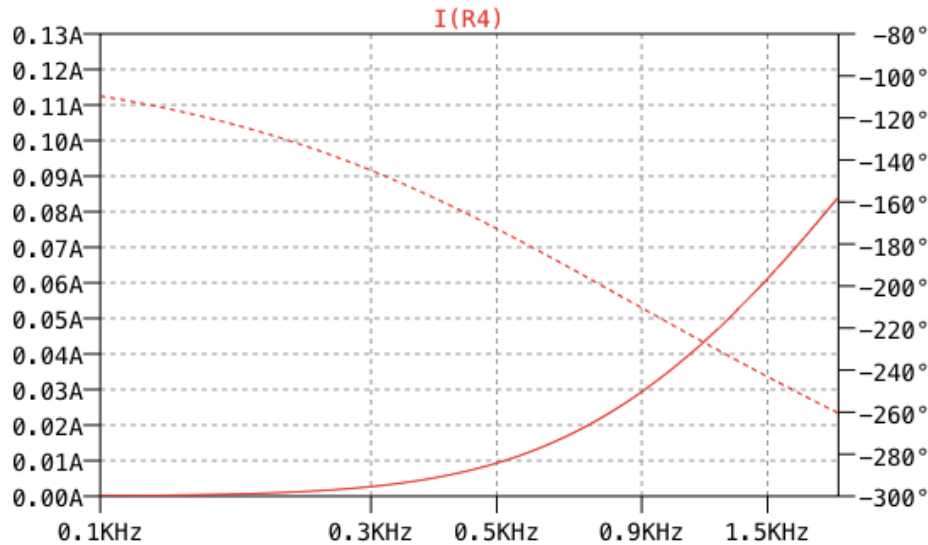
at  $f_0$ .

# RC phase shift oscillator

Example of feedback network:



Current input, current output

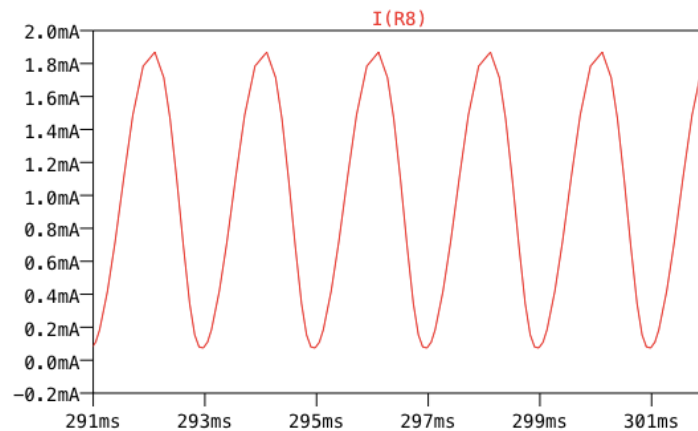
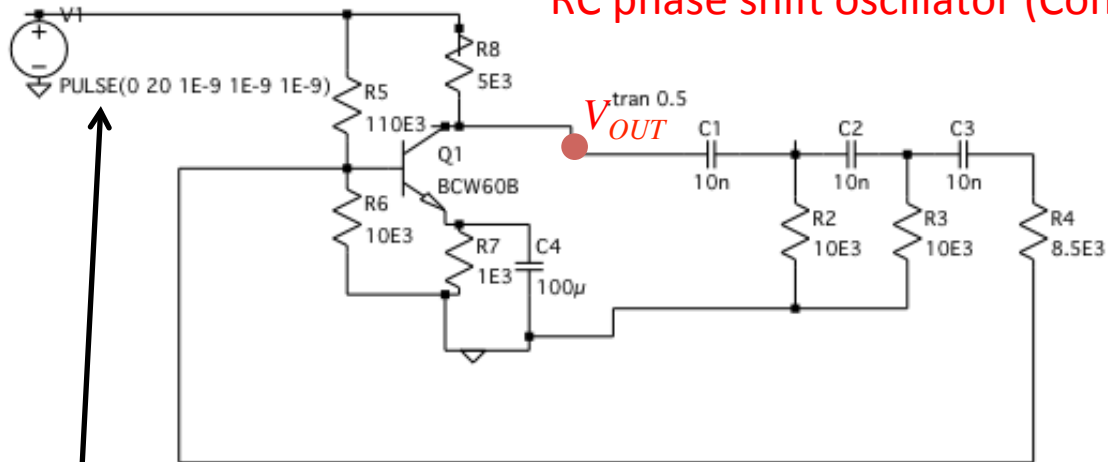


Design equations:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi RC} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6 + 4(R_C/R)}} = 503.3 \text{ Hz}$$

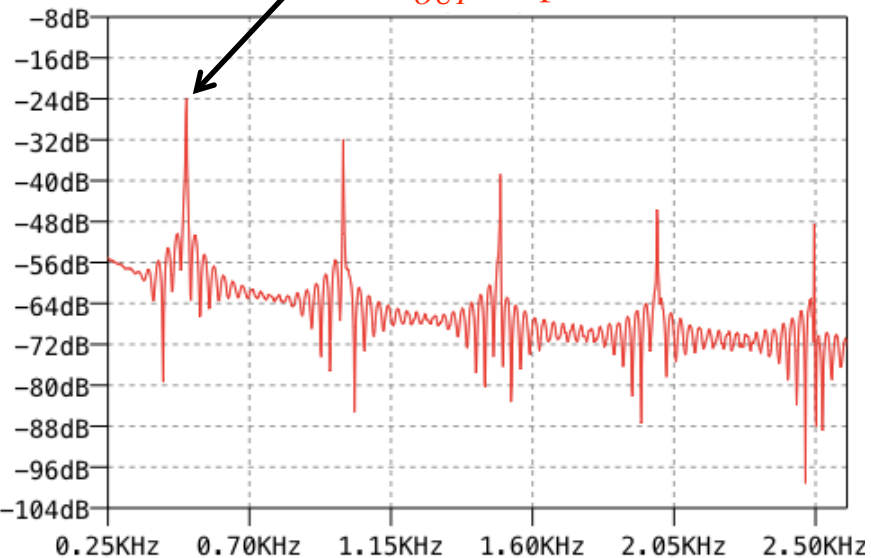
$$\beta_{AC} > 23 + 29 \frac{R}{R_C} + 4 \frac{R_C}{R} = 83 = \frac{1}{0.012}$$

# RC phase shift oscillator (Continued)

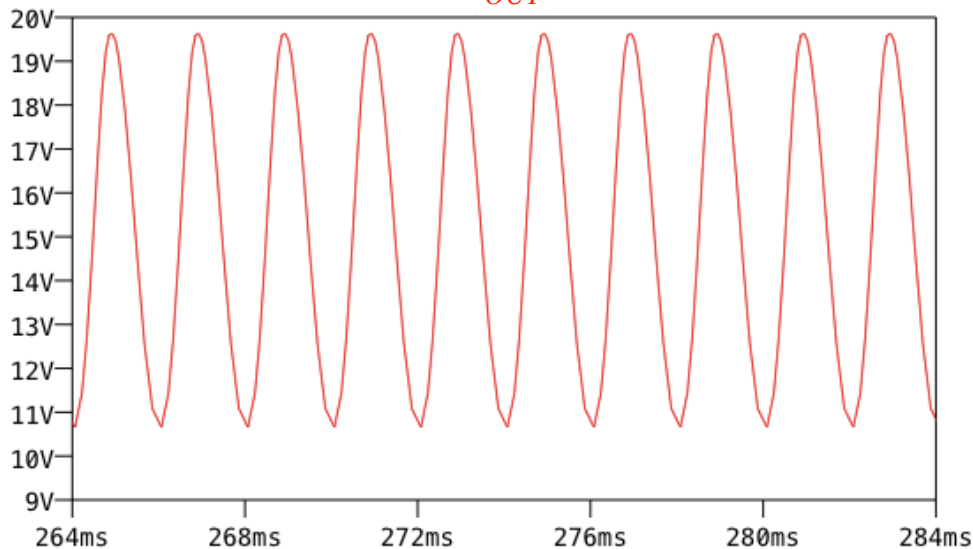


DC is pulse (turns on at startup) to “encourage” transients and oscillation.

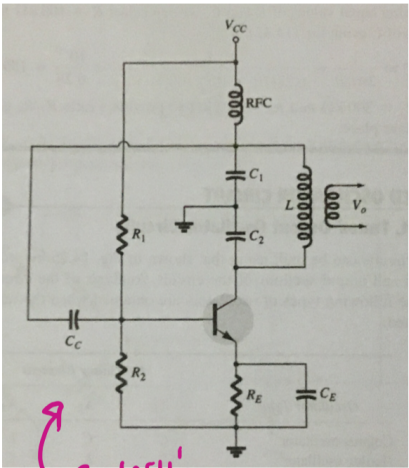
~500 Hz  $V_{OUT}$  - Spectrum



$V_{OUT}$

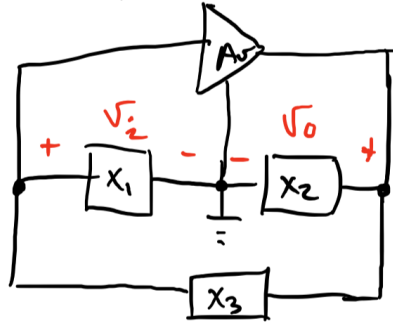


# Colpitts Oscillator

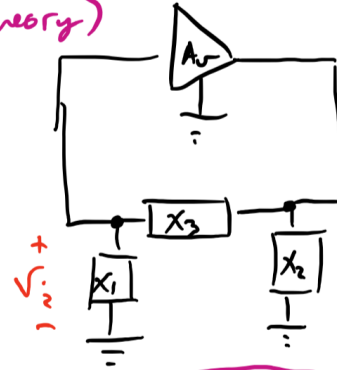


Colpitt's

General resonant circuit oscillator:  
(some theory)



$X_1 \rightarrow C$   
 $X_2 \rightarrow C$   
 $X_3 \rightarrow L$



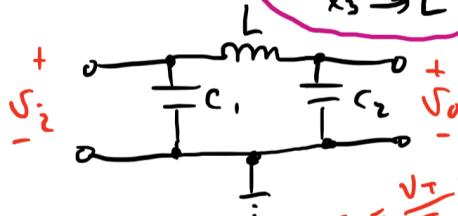
"it can be shown":  
phase condition that  
must be met for  
oscillation:

$$X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 0$$

- For  $180^\circ$  phase shift:  
 $X_1, X_2$  same sign

- For  $0^\circ$  phase shift  
 $X_1, X_2$  opposite sign

- For oscillation  
 $|A| > X_2/X_1$

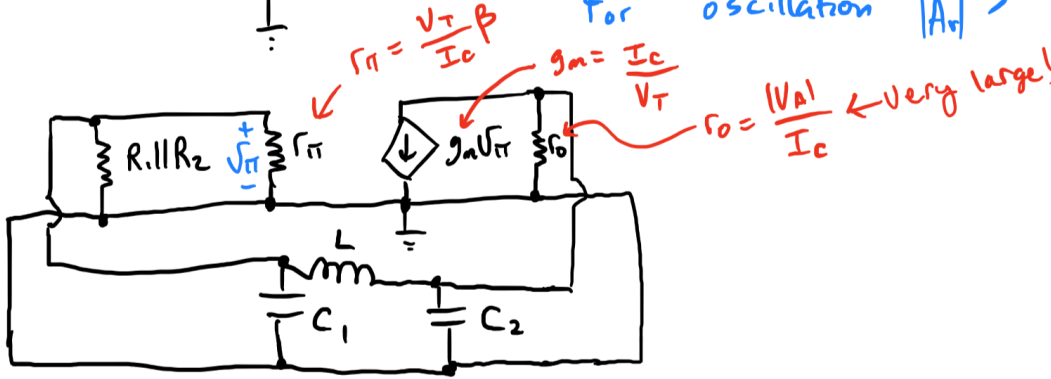


$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L C_{eq}}}$$

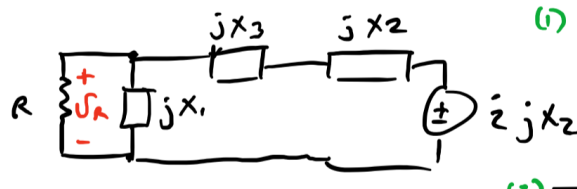
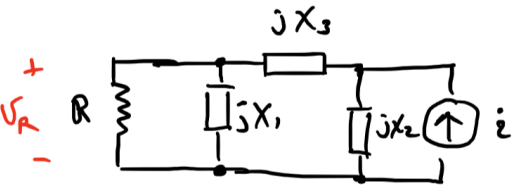
$$C_{eq} = C_1 \parallel C_2 = \frac{C_1 C_2}{C_1 + C_2}$$

for oscillation  $|A| > \frac{C_1}{C_2}$

AC equivalent:



$$r_o = \frac{|A|}{I_c} \leftarrow \text{very large!}$$



(1)  $V_R = \frac{R \parallel jX_1}{R \parallel jX_1 + jX_3 + jX_2} \dot{i}$

(2)  $\rightarrow \frac{V_R}{\dot{i}} = \frac{(R \parallel jX_1)(jX_2)}{R \parallel jX_1 + jX_3 + jX_2}$

(3)  $\frac{V_R}{\dot{i}} = \frac{-RX_1X_2}{R + jX_1} = \frac{-RX_1X_2}{jRX_1 + jX_3 + jX_2} = \frac{-RX_1X_2}{jR(X_1 + X_3 + X_2) - X_1(X_2 + X_3)}$  (4)

From (4):  
Oscillation condition:

$X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 0$  (resonance)  
 $X_1 + X_3 = -X_2$  (5)  $\dot{i} = g_m V_R$

at resonance  $\rightarrow \frac{V_R}{\dot{i}} = \frac{RX_2}{X_2 + X_3} = \frac{RX_2}{-X_1} = -\frac{RX_2}{X_1}$  from (5)

$\rightarrow \frac{V_R}{\dot{i}} = -1 = -R \frac{X_2}{X_1} \rightarrow \dot{i} = \frac{V_R X_2}{R X_1}$

$g_m = \frac{X_2}{R X_1}$  (labeled  $I_c/V_T$ )

for oscillation  
In reality  $g_m > \frac{X_2}{R X_1}$

Now I see why you may want  $C_1$  &  $C_2$  to match to  $\beta$ .

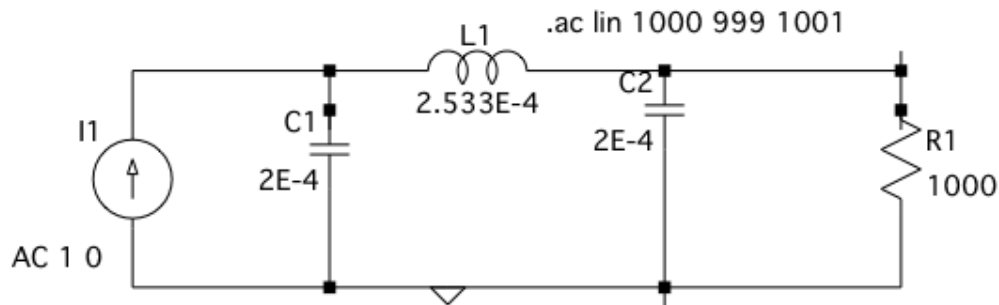
$\therefore$  For oscillation to occur:

$X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 0$   
 $X_1 + X_3 = -X_2$  and  $g_m > \frac{X_2}{R X_1}$

for  $jX_1 = \frac{-j}{\omega C_1}$   
 $jX_2 = \frac{-j}{\omega C_2}$   
 $jX_3 = j\omega L$

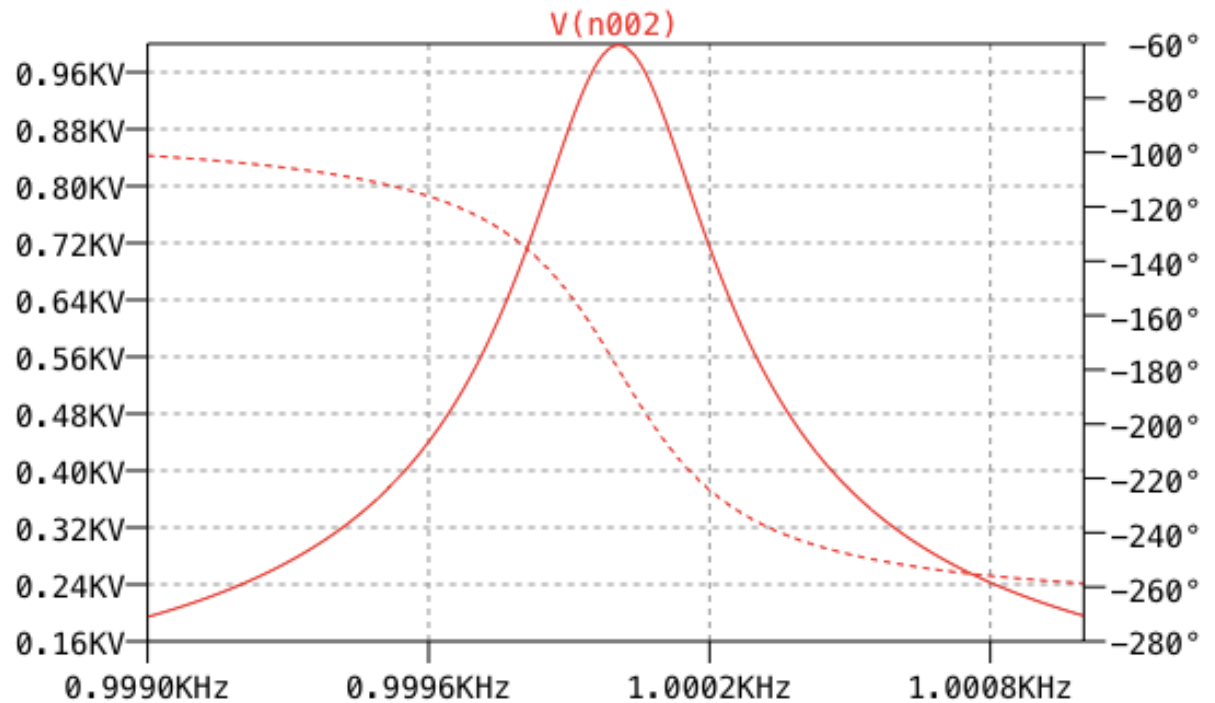
Design Equations  
 $f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L C_{eq}}}$ ,  $C_{eq} = C_1 \parallel C_2$   
 $R \approx \beta r_c = \beta V_T / I_C$   
 $g_m > \frac{C_1}{R C_2} \rightarrow \beta > \frac{C_1}{C_2}$

# Colpitts oscillator (Example of feedback network)



$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L(C_1 \parallel C_2)}} = 1 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\frac{V_R}{I_{in}} = R \frac{C_2}{C_1} = 1000 \ \Omega$$



# Colpitts oscillator simulations

