Lab 10: Oscillators

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Lorentz Model of the atom



Nucleus + electron cloud

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Electric-field induces a dipole moment

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Atoms driven on resonance:



Laser-Cooled Cesium Atoms



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- Excitation & Amplification
- Feedback
 - Oscillation

Driven oscillations: Pendulum example





FEEDBACK: Sending a portion of the output back to the input

Negative feedback



Stabilizes the output of an amplifier

FEEDBACK: Sending a portion of the output back to the input

Positive feedback



Runaway amplification – Oscillation

Stable oscillations using the inverting input

1) Net gain is 1.

2) Phase-shift between input-output is 0.



Single RC filter provides phase shift but not enough for oscillation

Need –180°



Bode plots of Magnitude and Phase for single RC low-pass filter



3-Stage RC network provides adequate feedback phase-shift for oscillations



Bode plots of Magnitude and Phase for 3-stage RC low-pass filter



Oscillation frequency

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Phase-shift oscillator



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Better approach: Buffer amplifiers



Buffered phase-shift oscillator



Phase-shift oscillator is just one of many ways to build electronic oscillators

Feedback oscillators: Phase-shift Wien bridge Resonant LC (artificial atom!!!)

Negative resistance oscillators Used in microwave electronics

Relaxation oscillators

Voltage-controlled oscillators