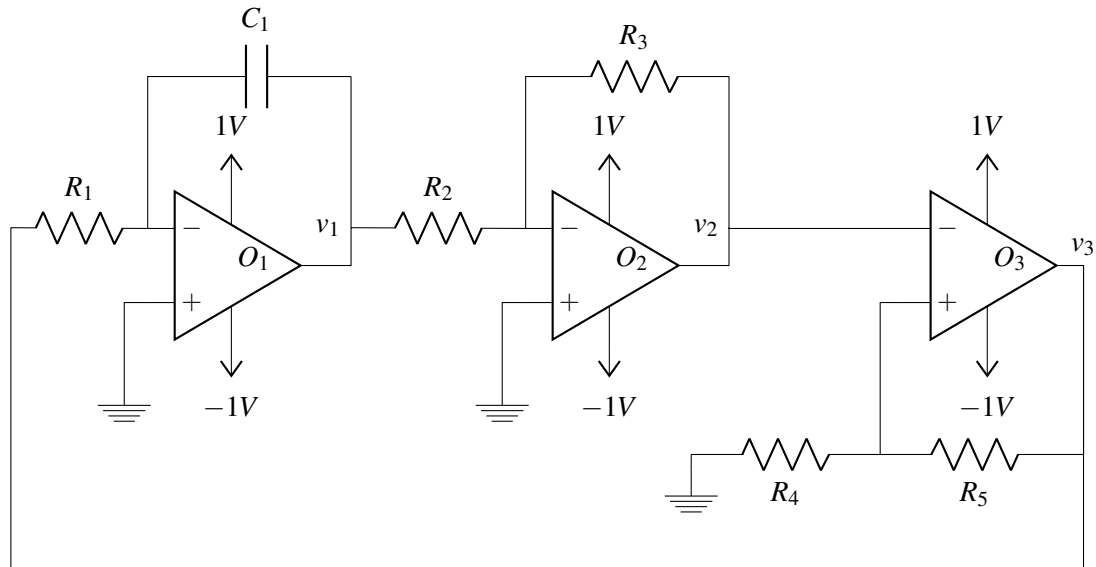


### 1. Timer Circuits

In this problem, we will walk through the timer circuit, shown below, similar to the one seen in lecture. The circuit is shown below. All resistors have value  $1k\Omega$  and  $C_1 = 1\mu F$ .



- Find the current through the capacitor  $C_1$  in terms of the voltage  $V_3$  and the resistor  $R_1$ .
- Suppose at time  $t = 0$ ,  $C_1$  is uncharged. Find the voltage  $v_1$  in terms of  $t$ ,  $v_3$ , and  $R_1$ . What is the maximum  $|v_1|$  could be?
- How is  $v_2$  related to  $v_1$ ? What is the voltage  $v_2$ ?

Opamp  $O_3$  is not connected in negative feedback. We can however analyze it's behavior by considering it to be a comparator. Let's independently analyze the circuit in the two possible outputs of the comparator.

- Assume the output of the comparator  $V_3$  has railed to the top rail. With this value of  $v_3$ , what is  $v_2$  as a function of time? What is the voltage at the positive input of opamp  $O_3$ ? At what time will the two inputs of the comparator be equal?
- Now assume the reverse occurs, the input of the comparator has railed to the top rail. Repeat part d) with this value of  $v_3$ .
- What is the  $v_3$  as a function of time? Draw a graph of  $v_3$  and  $v_2$ . This circuit is periodic, find it's period and frequency.
- Suppose we changed the value of  $C_1$  to be  $2\mu F$ ? What is the new period? Suppose we change  $R_5$  to be  $2k\Omega$ . What is the new period? What if we change  $R_5$  to be  $0\Omega$ ? Will this circuit still operate?