

Musical Instrument: Electronically Resonated Metal

ECE 445

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Introduction

- A new musical instrument
 - Produces a unique sound
 - Easy to learn and play

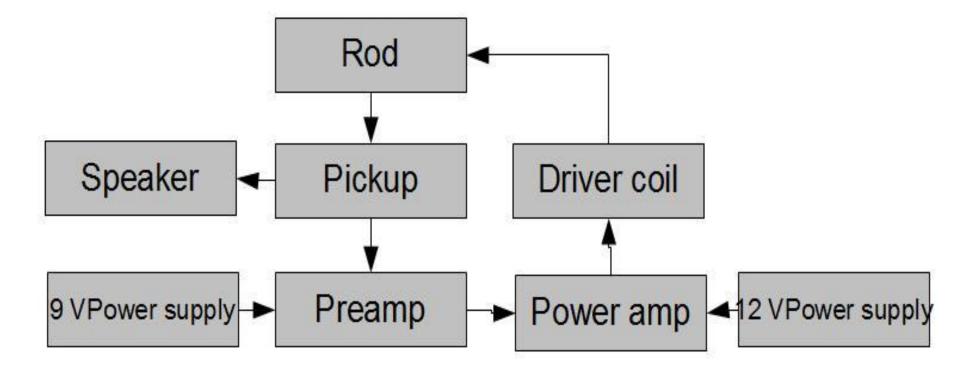


Objectives

- High output current from amplifier
- Sustain vibrations in the rod

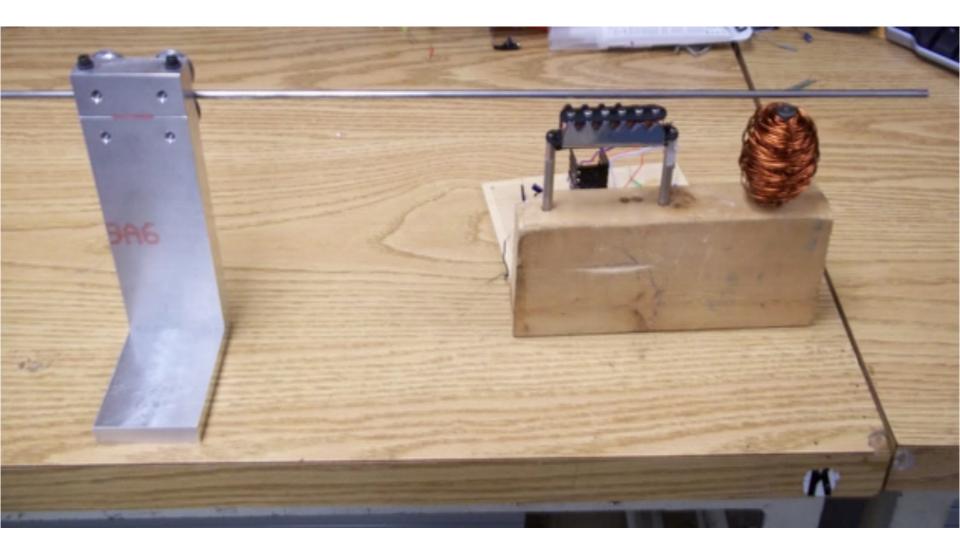


Block Diagram





Instrument Layout





Rod

- magnetic
- frequencies given by:

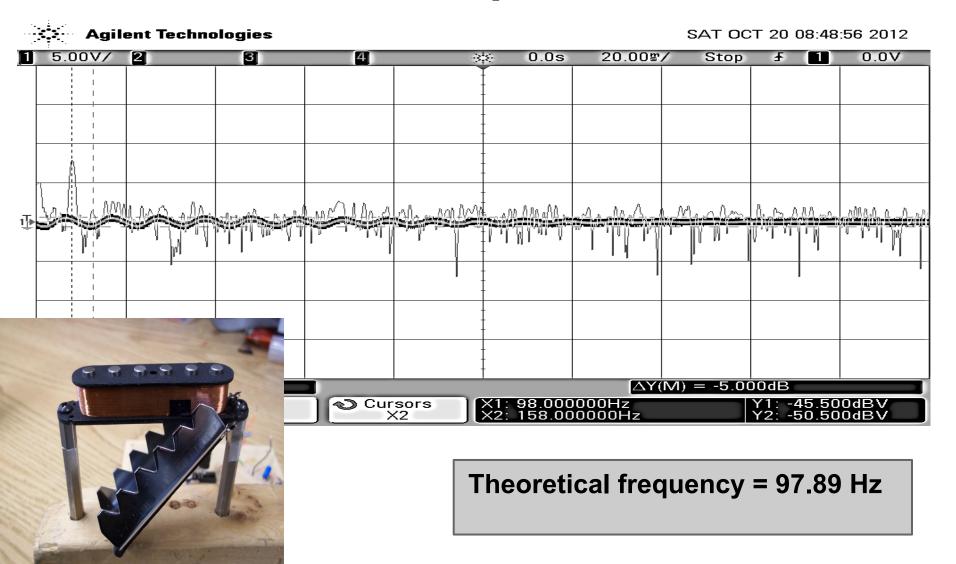
$$f=(1.194^2~,~2.988^2,~5^2,~7^2)rac{\pi\kappa c}{8L^2}$$

Requirements and Verification Testing:

shortest: 19 cm > 78, 488, 1368, 2682 Hz longest: 90 cm > 3.478, 21.78, 61, 119.5 Hz



Pickup Coil



Mode

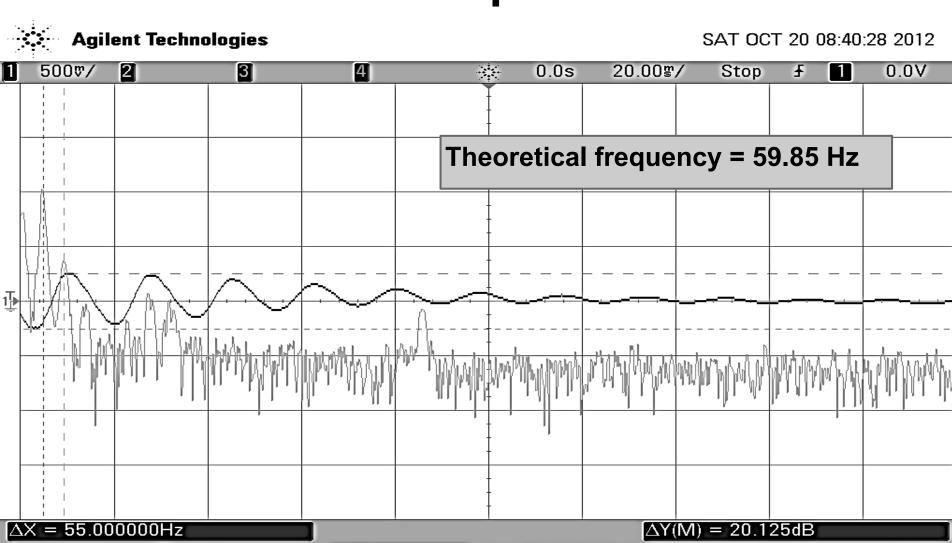
Manual



Y1: -78.125dBV

Y2: -58.000dBV

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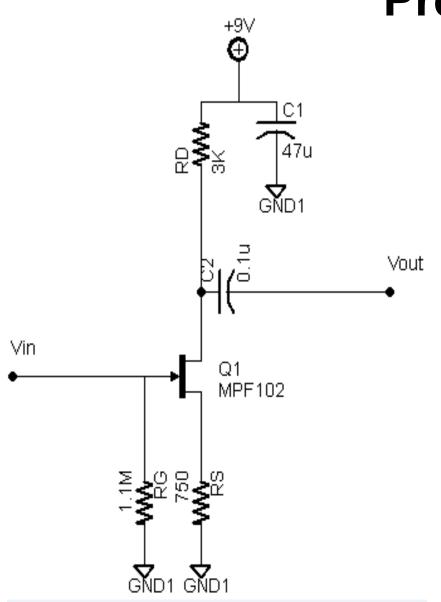
Cursors X2

Source

Math



Preamp



- Common Source with Source Degeneration
- Transconductance: 2000 uS<Gm<7500uS



Preamp: Requirements and Verification

Common Source with Source Degeneration Amplifier:

$$Midband \; Gain = -gm \frac{RD||RL}{1+gmRs}$$

Requirement:

Preamp must amplify the signal at least 1.2 V/V

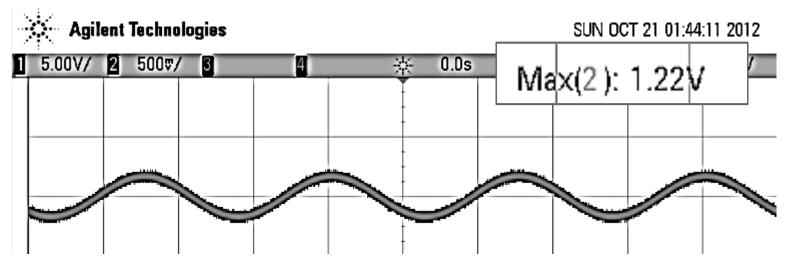
Verification:

Vin from signal generator
Display Vout on the Oscilloscope
Calculate Midband Gain

Results: Test Passed



Preamp: Results



Input Voltage: 1V p-p Frequency 39.4 Hz

Output Voltage: 1.22 V p-p

Frequency 39.4 Hz

Mid Band Gain: 1.22 V/V



Preamp: Performance Testing

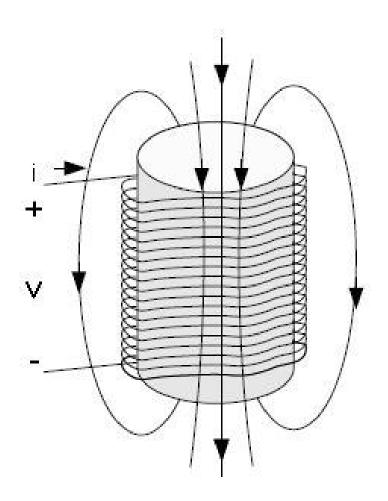
Room Temperature by Location	MidBand Gain of Preamp
Very Warm (> 25 degree Celsius)	1.5 V/V
~25 degrees Celsius	2.5 V/V
Chilly (< 25 degrees Celsius)	3.3 V/V

Results:

No Consistency in Mid Band Gain for the preamp Why?



Driver Coil



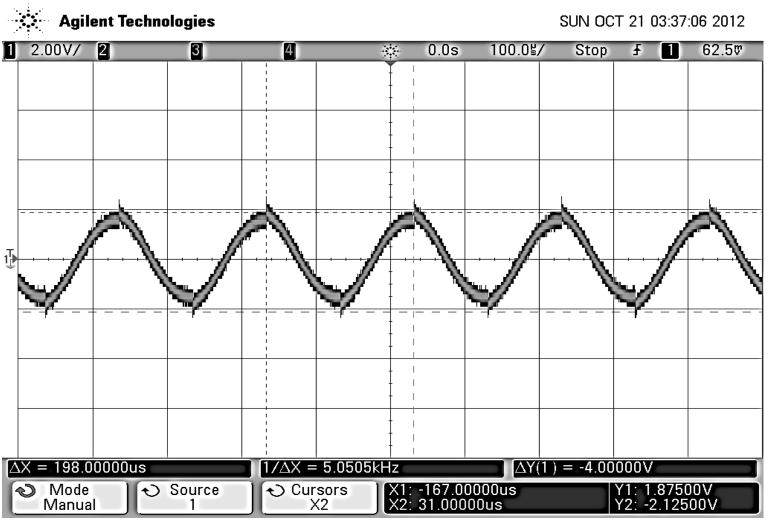
$$\mu_{~iron}\,=\,125~H/m$$

$$N = rac{Bl}{i \mu_{~o} \mu_{~iron}}$$

Max Magnetic Field B = 1.6 T Length I = 4 cm Current i = 7 A Min Number of Turns N = 58.2

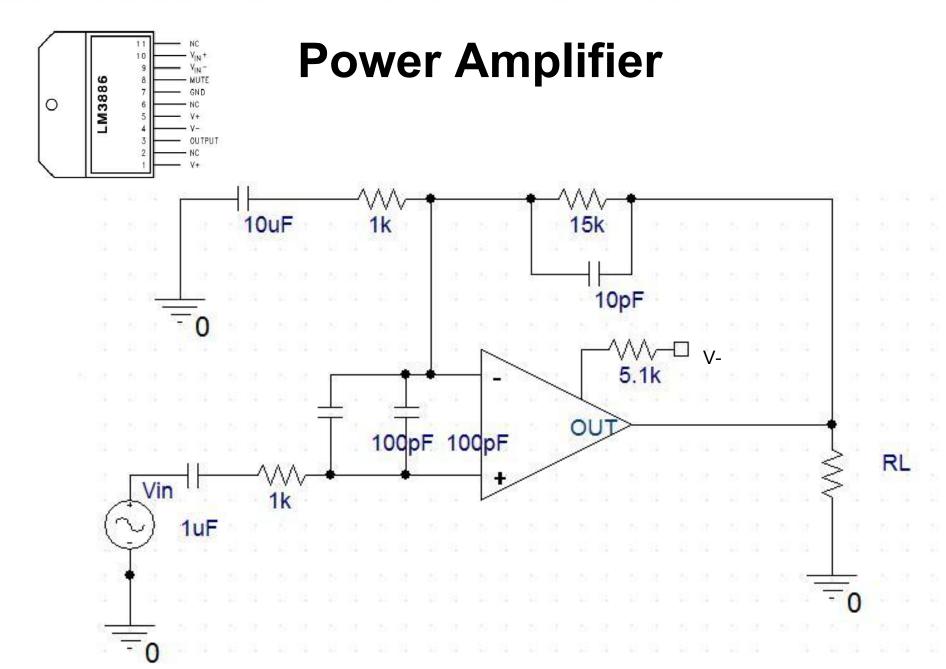


Driver Coil



function generator set to 5.02 kHz



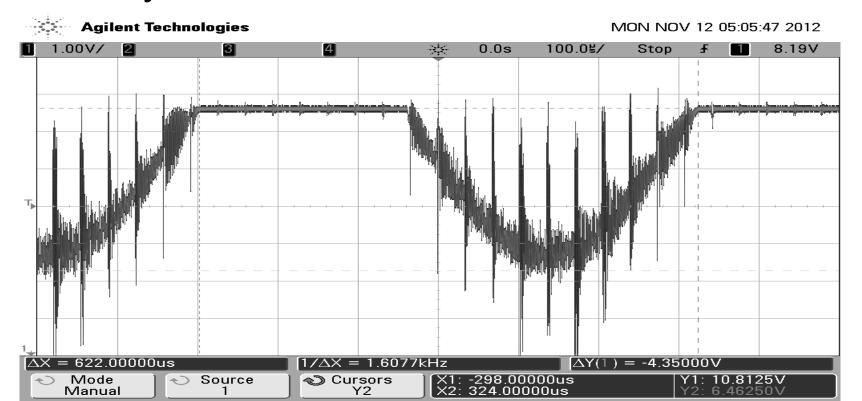




Power Amplifier

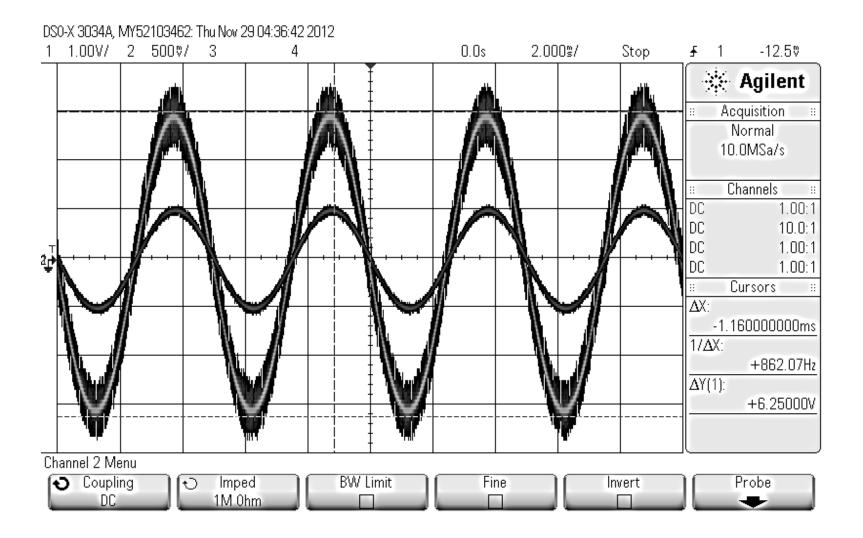
Problems encountered:

- overheating
- voltage clipping at output
- noisy



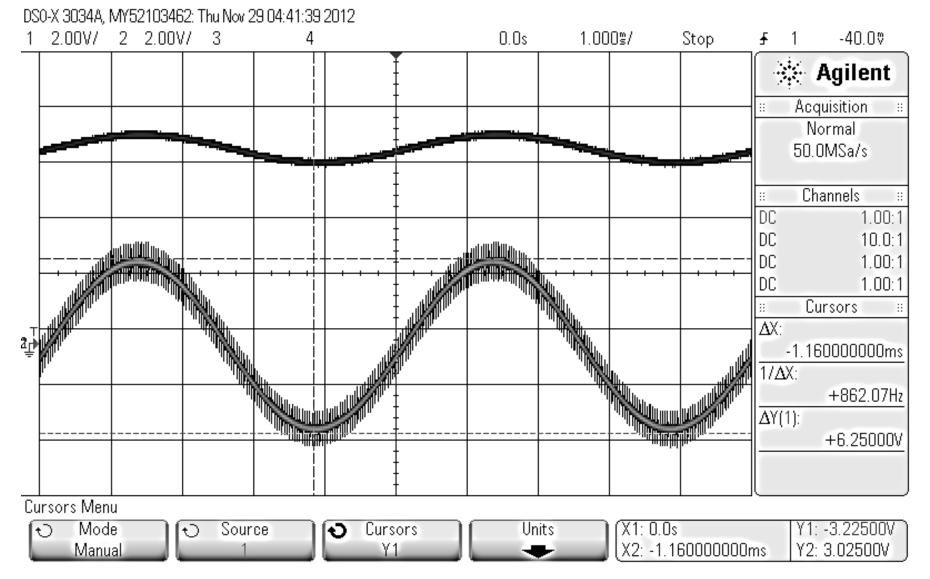
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Ethical Issues

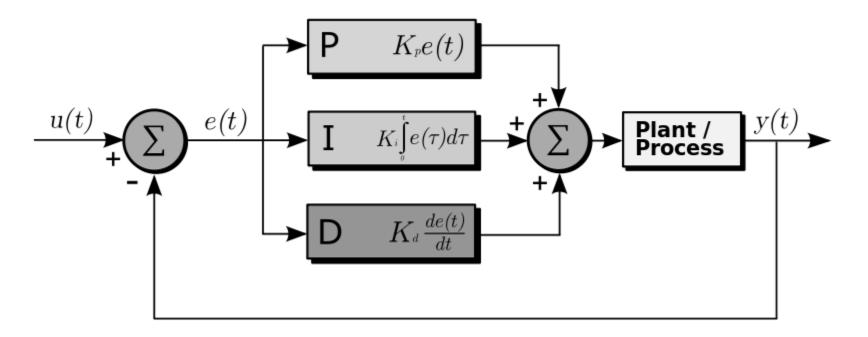
- Safety
 - high current output

Consistency



Recommendations for Further Work

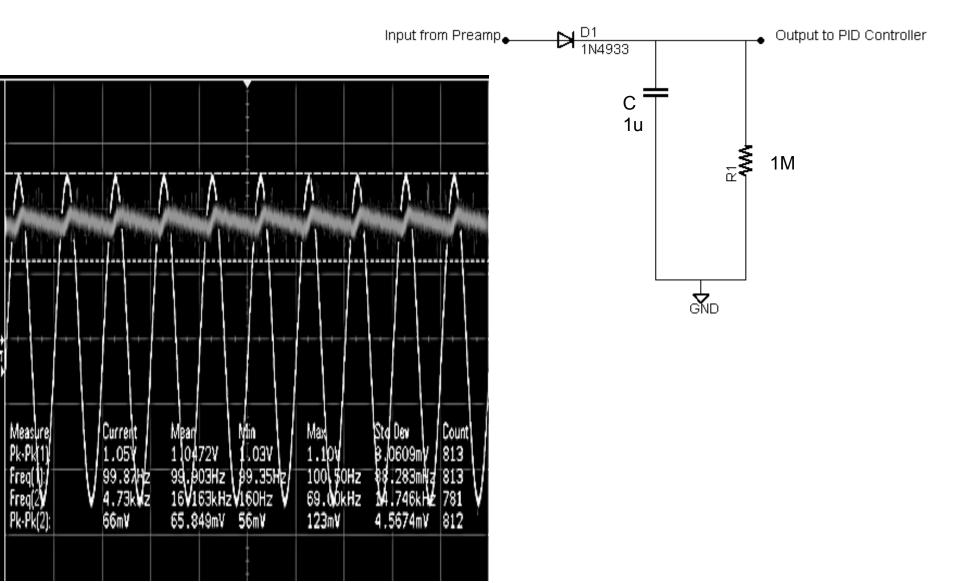
- High pass filters
- PID controller



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Other Tests(Peak Detector)





Questions?