Simple OTA VCR



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FIGURE 8. Voltage Controlled Resistor, Single-Ended

Up until the LM13600/LM13700, it was not as convenient for customers to have full flexibility over all voltage to current relationships inside their circuits. The flexiblity really required the use of external transistors. Even with the LM3080, there still was time now and again when an external buffer was needed.



The voltage controlled resistor example shows how OTAs allowed a response current to an applied input voltage to be electronically controllable. In this application, IABC is defined to go from 1mA to zero over 10 msec.



At 1mA, the equivalent resistance looks to be around 100 Ohms and it increases as IABC drops in level. In this case the buffer is simulated to have zero offset. The DataSheet shows the buffers being used with a DC blocking cap.