

ECE 320 - Homework #5

555 Timers, Transistors used as a Switch, Schmitt Triggers. Due Monday, Sept 27th

Assume a 3904 transistor (NPN) and 3906 (PNP) (\$0.04 each)

$$\beta = 100 \quad \min(|V_{ce}|) = 0.2V \quad \max(I_c) = 200mA$$

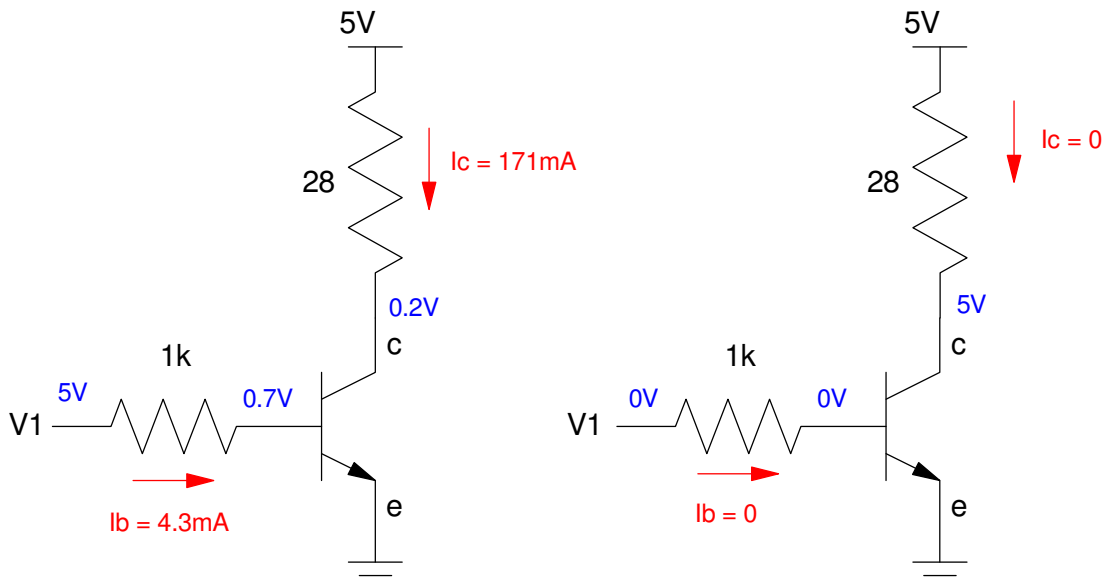
Assume a thermistor with

$$R = 1000 \exp\left(\frac{3905}{T+273} - \frac{3905}{298}\right) \Omega$$

Transistor Switch

1) For the circuit shown below

- Assume $V_1 = 5V$. Determine I_b , I_c , V_b , and V_c .
- Assume $V_1 = 0V$. Determine I_b , I_c , V_b , and V_c .

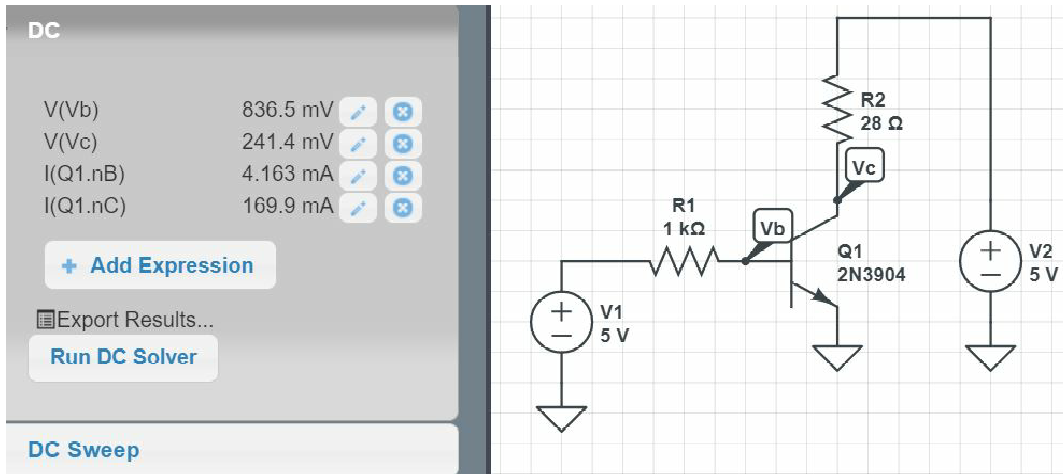


2) Using CircuitLab, determine $\{I_b, I_c, V_b, \text{ and } V_c\}$ for

- $V_1 = 0V$
- $V_1 = 5V$

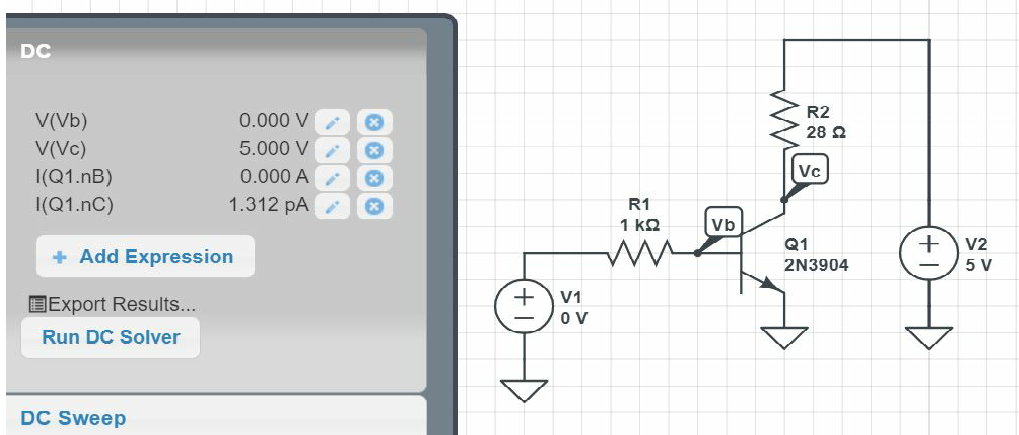
$V_1 = 5V$

- The transistor is saturated ($V_c = 0.241V$)
- $100 I_b > I_c$ (saturated)



$V_1 = 0V$

- The transistor is off (current = 0)



3) Simulate the circuit with the 555 timer in CircuitLab.

- What frequency should you hear at the speaker?

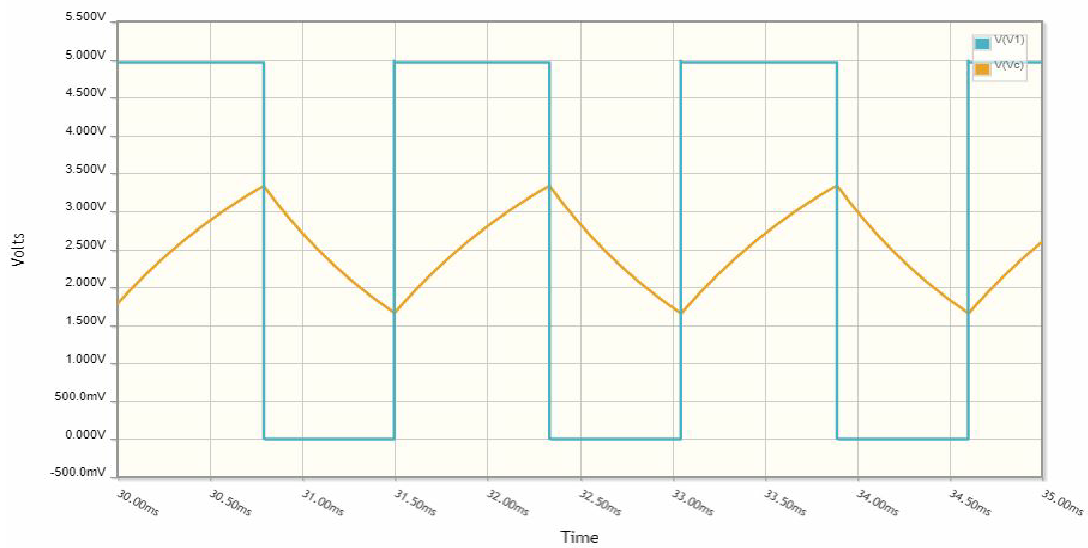
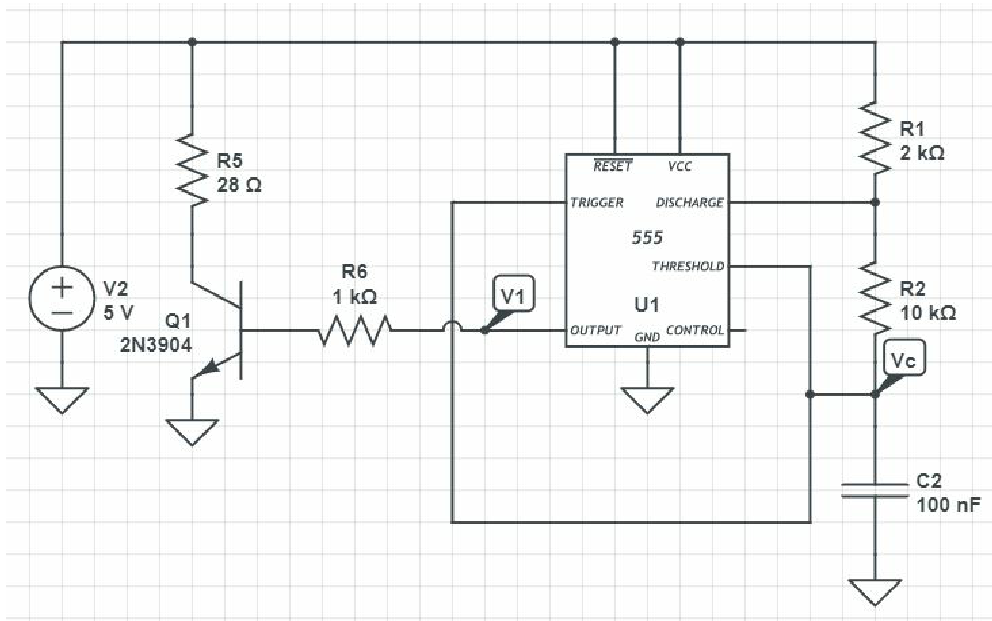
From CircuitLab,

- The period is 1.6ms
- The frequency is 625Hz

The calculated frequency is

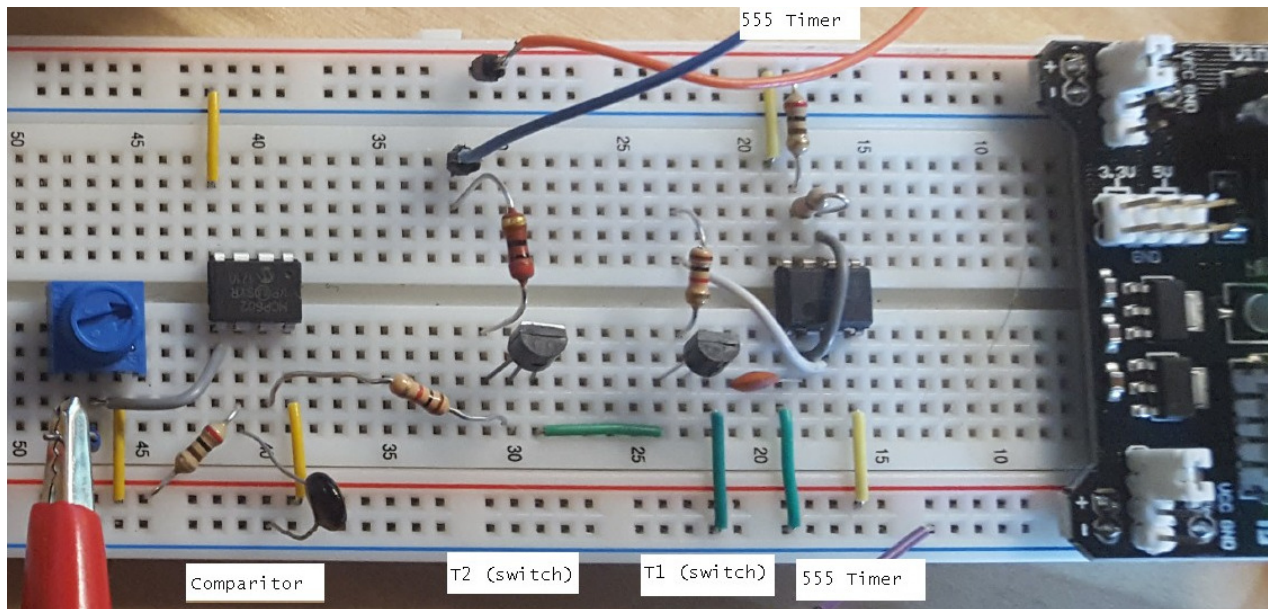
$$T = (R_1 + 2R_2) \cdot C \cdot \ln(2) = 1.525ms$$

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = 656Hz$$



4) Build this circuit with your lab kits and verify

- The frequency at V1
- That the transistor is off when $V1 = 0V$ (connect the 1k resistor to ground rather than the 555 timer)
- That the transistor is saturated when $V1 = 5V$ (connect the 1k resistor to +5V)
- That the speaker is loud and annoying (the transistor acts as an amplifier)



Frequency at V1:

- Expected: 656Hz
- Actual: 667.2Hz

Voltage when $V1 = 0V$:

- $V_c = 4.93V$

Voltage when $V1 = 5V$:

- $V_c = 334mV$

Comparator

Add an electronic switch to turn the speaker on and off

5) Design a comparator (shown in blue - don't add the red resistors (they are for a Schmitt trigger)) to

- Turn on the speaker ($V_2 = 5V$) when $T > 30C$, and
- Turn off the speaker ($V_2 = 0V$) when $T < 30C$

At $30C$, using a $1k$ resistor for a voltage divider...

- $R = 805$ Ohms
- $V_2 = 2.231V$

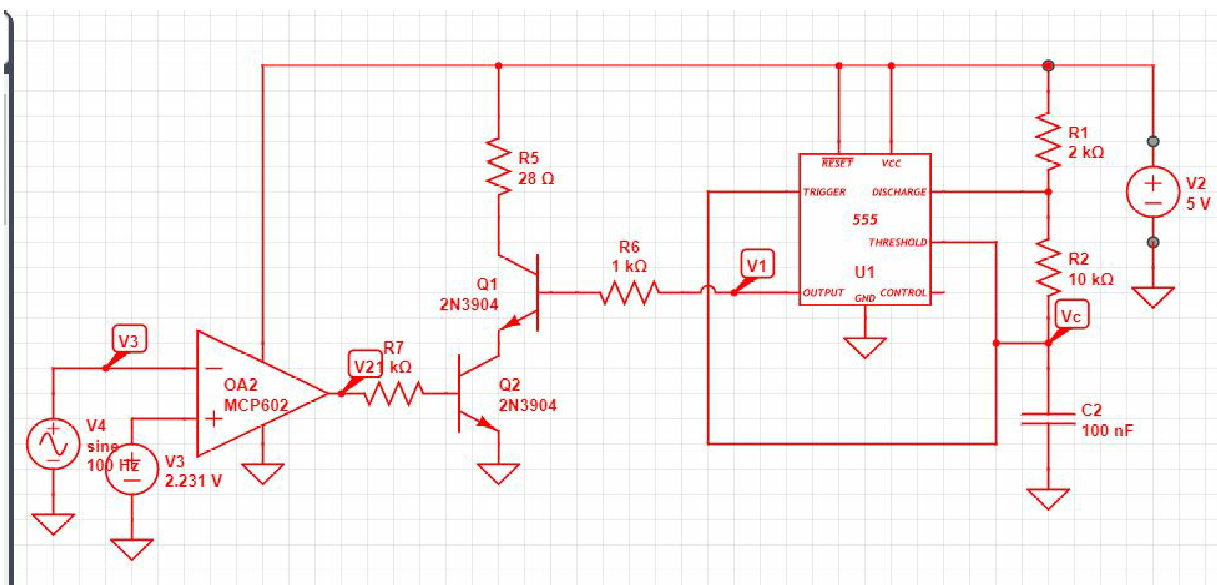
Switch on and off at $2.231V$

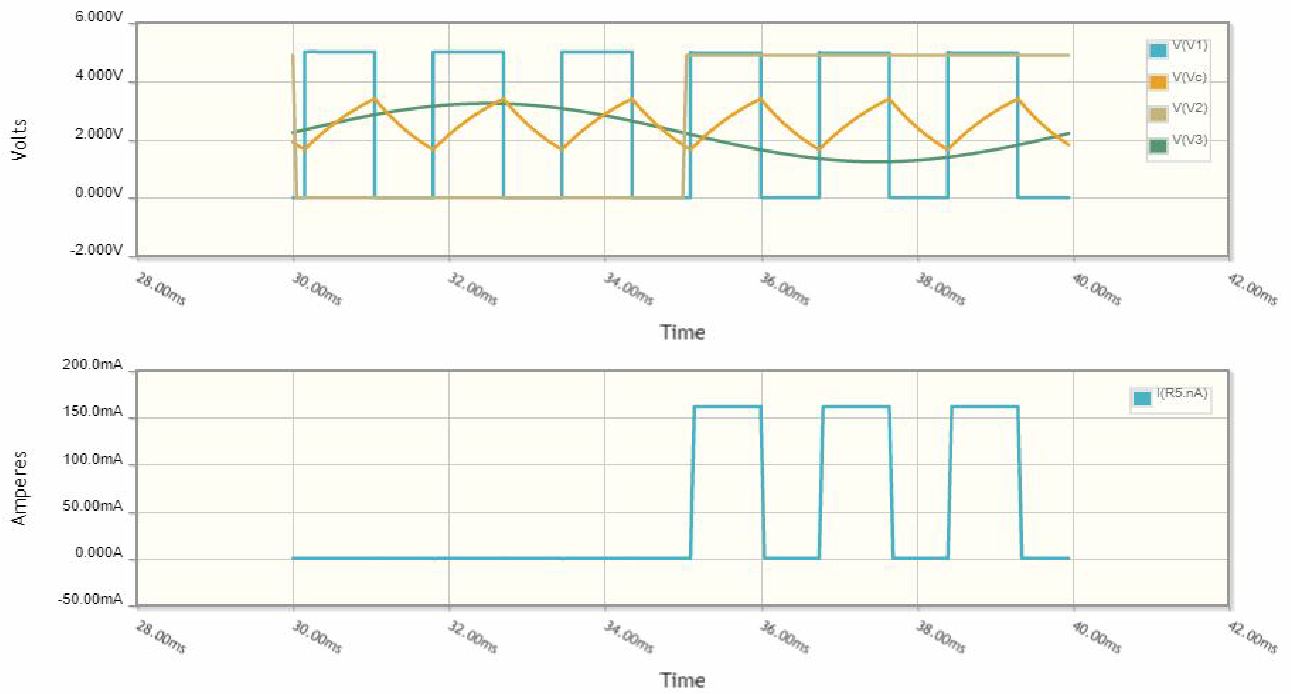
Connect to the minus input so that when $T > 30C$

- R goes to zero
- V_2 goes to zero
- $V_p > V_m$ (and $Y = 0V$)

6) Simulate the comparator in CircuitLab to verify the on / off temperature (or resistance or voltage)

- use a voltage source (V_4) to simulate the voltage at the voltage divider)





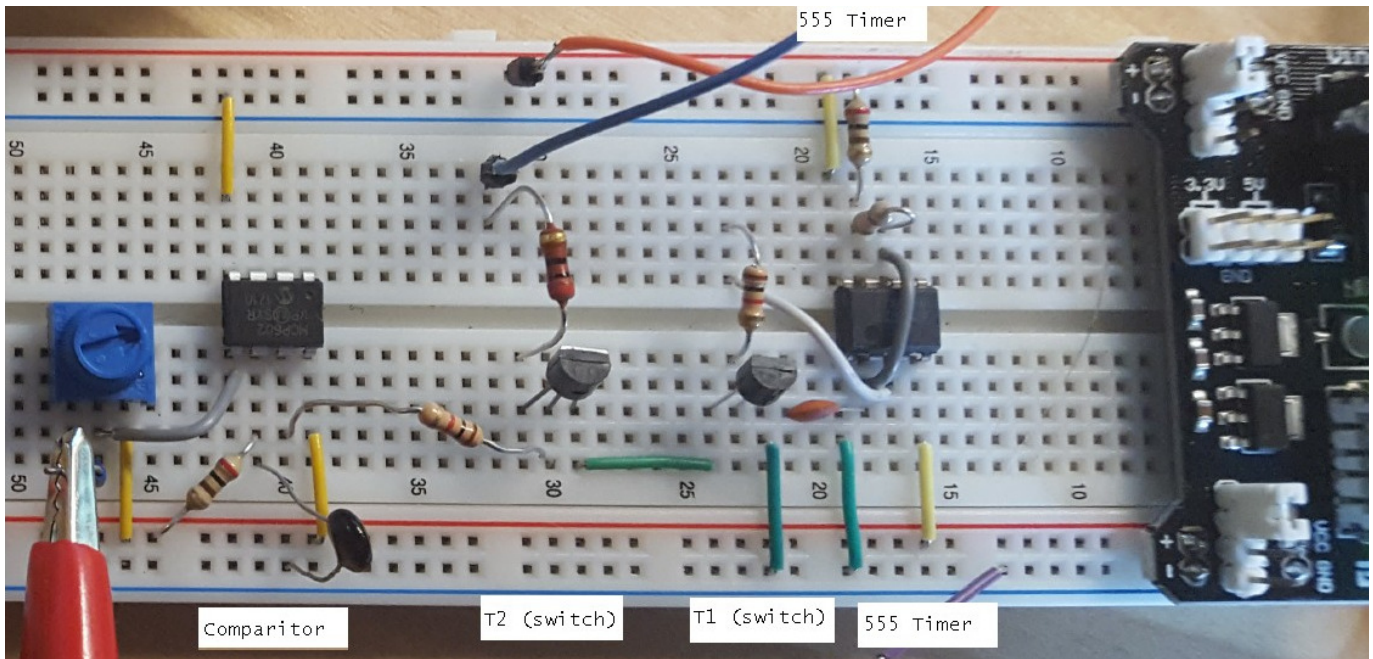
When V3 goes above 2.31V ($< 30C$),

- V2 goes to 0V (brown curve)
- I(speaker) = 0 (bottom curve)

When V3 goes below 2.31V

- V2 goes to 5v (brown)
- I(speaker) turns on (bottom curve)

7) Build this circuit and verify it's on and off temperature (or voltage or resistance. Replace R with a potentiometer for test purposes)



$V_p = 2.00V$ (set with a potentiometer)

- Turns on at 1.99V
- Turns off at 2.08V

Schmitt Trigger

Add an electronic switch to turn the speaker on and off

- 8) Design a Schmitt Trigger (modify section in blue) to
- Turn on the speaker ($V_2 = 5V$) when $T > 35C$, and
 - Turn off the speaker ($V_2 = 0V$) when $T < 30C$

At 30C

- $R = 805 \text{ Ohms}$
- $V_4 = 2.231V$
- $V_2 = 0V$ (off)

at 35C

- $R = 653 \text{ Ohms}$
- $V_4 = 1.976V$
- $V_2 = 5V$ (on)

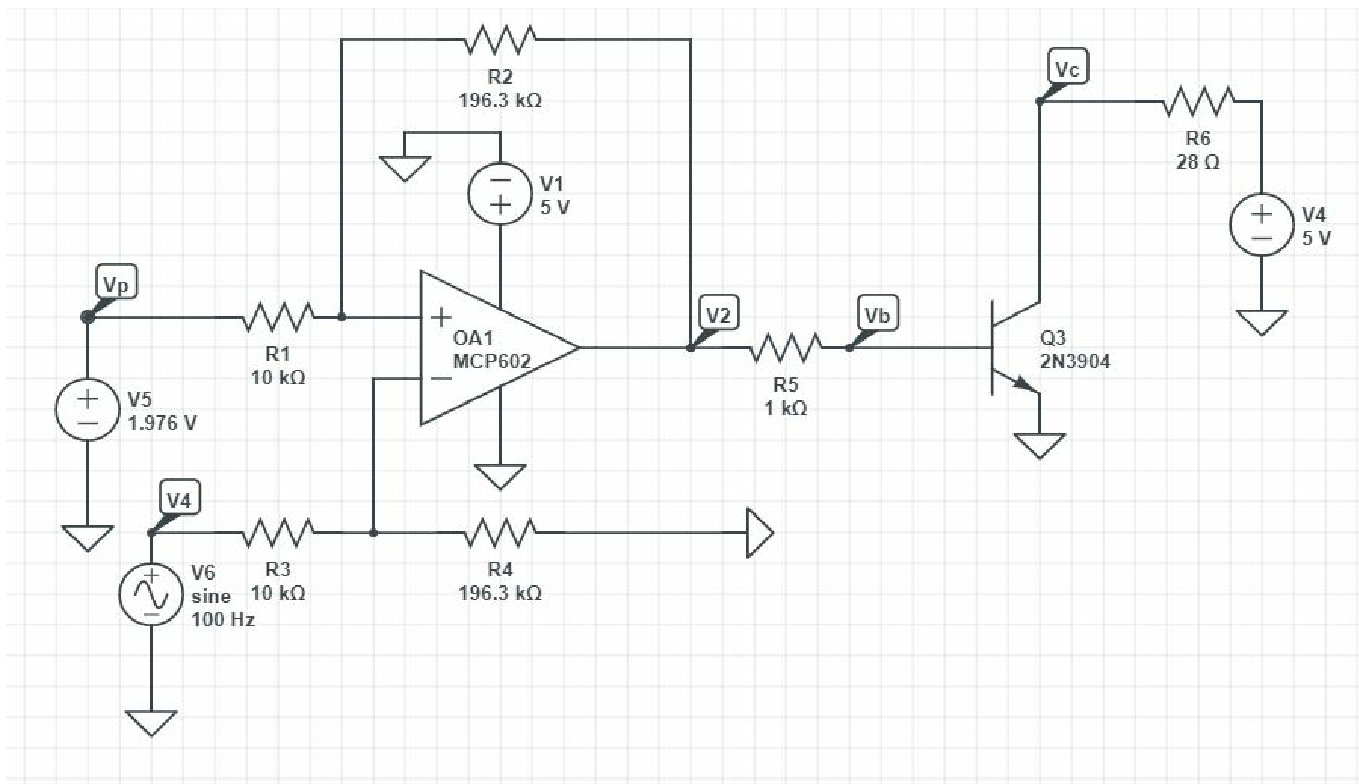
The Schmitt Trigger turns on at 1.976V. Make this the offset

V_2 goes up when V_4 goes down. Connect to the minus input

The gain needed is

$$\text{gain} = \left(\frac{5V-0V}{2.231V-1.976V} \right) = 19.63$$

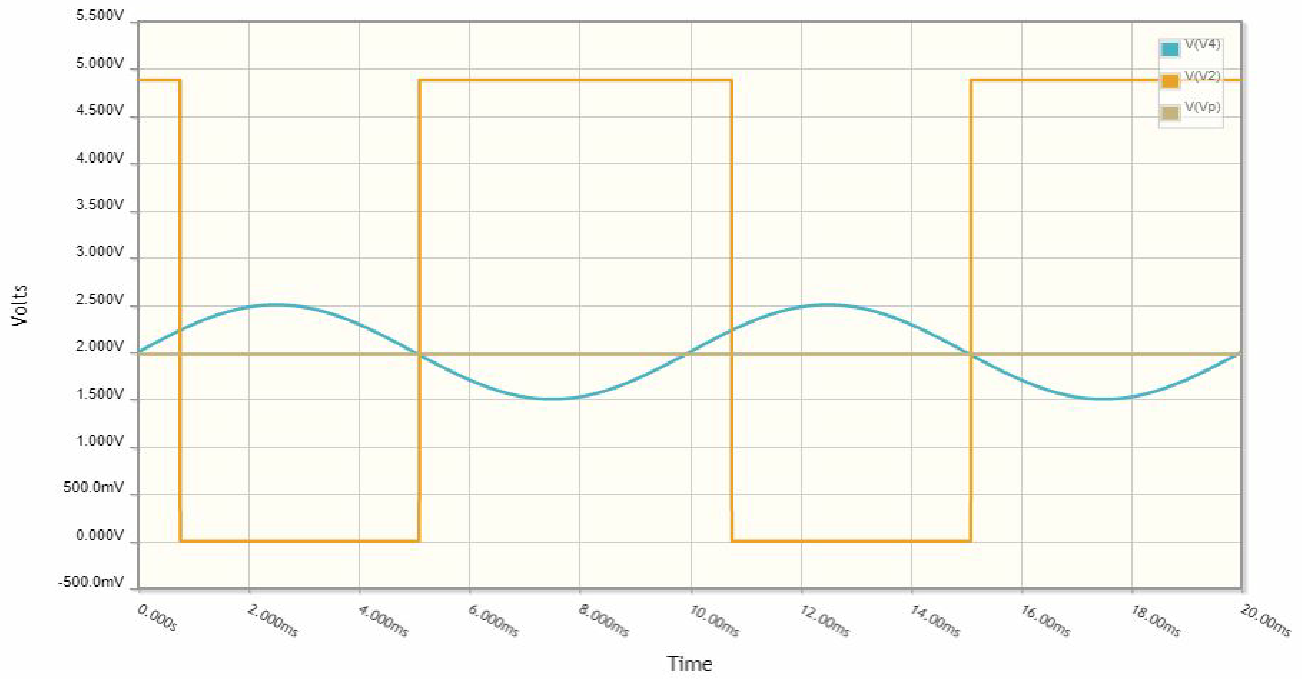
Pick resistors in a 19.63 : 1 ratio



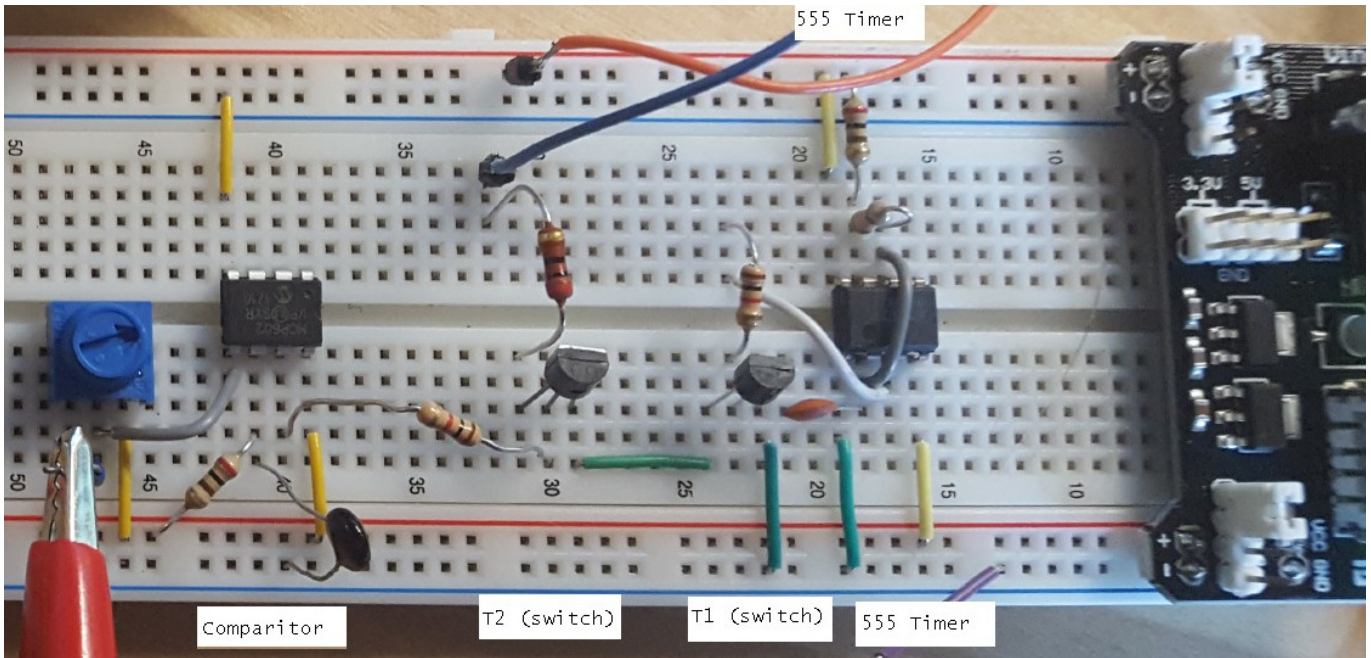
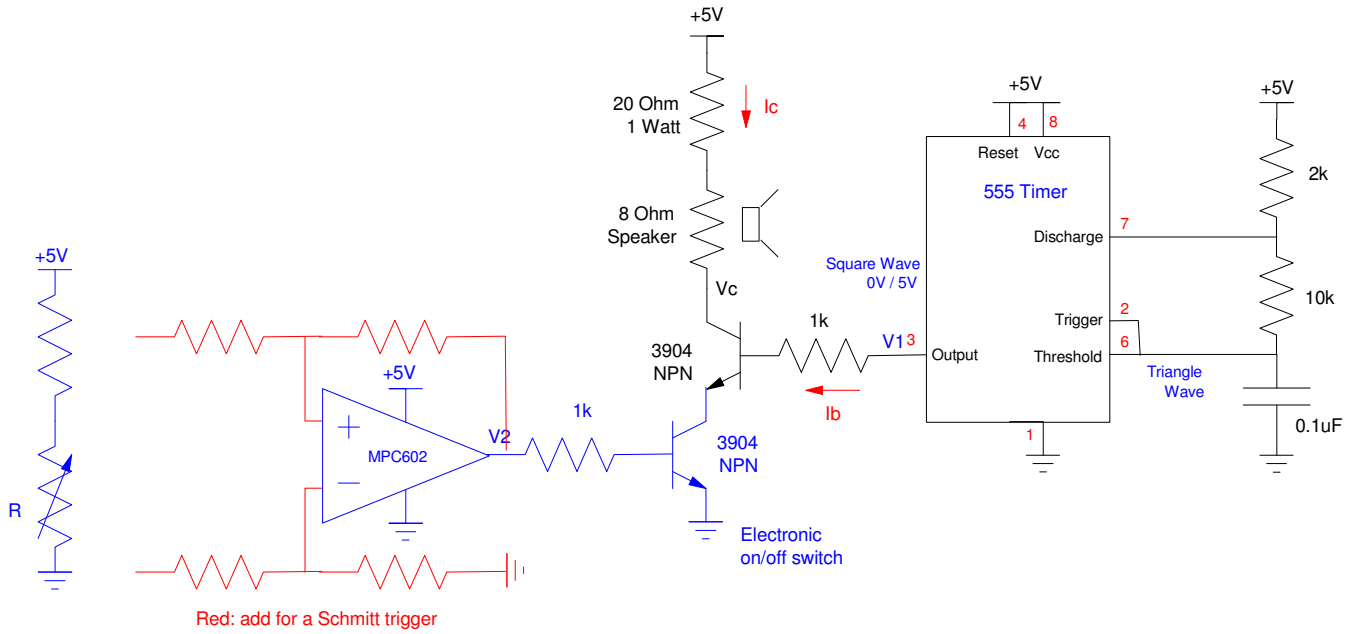
9) Simulate the comparator in CircuitLab to verify the on / off temperature (or resistance or voltage)

- V2 goes high (speaker on) when V4 < 1.976V
- V2 goes low (speaker off) when V4 > 2.231V

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10) Build this circuit and verify it's on and off temperature (or voltage or resistance. Replace R with a potentiometer for test purposes)



Vp set to 2.00V with a potentiometer

- Turns on at 1.98V
- Turns off at 2.26V