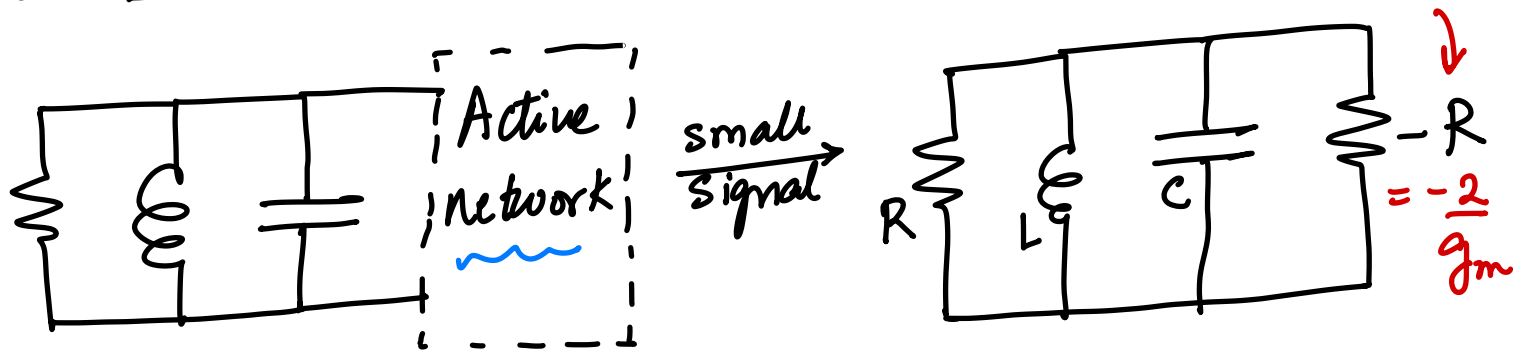




# LC Oscillators - Nonlinear model

Pre-req: MMIC 04, 09

## I) Linear Negative Resistance Model



Problems: Linear model  $\Rightarrow$  Cannot generate a "limit cycle!"

Limit cycles require 2<sup>nd</sup> order nonlinear system.  
But it is OK to study the startup condition.

## II) Nonlinear "Negative Resistance" Model

$$V = f_1(I) = IR \quad \leftarrow$$

$$I = f_2(V) = -\frac{V}{R} \Rightarrow f_2(x) = -\frac{x}{R} \quad \leftarrow$$

$\uparrow$  VCCS

$$I = f_3(V) \quad \text{where } f_3(x) \text{ is nonlinear.}$$

$I = V + 3$

>  $f_3 \rightarrow$  odd function  $f_3(-V) = -f_3(V) = -I$

>  $f_3 \rightarrow$  limiting behavior.

>  $f_3 \rightarrow$  approximately linear for small  $V$ .

$$f_3(x) \rightarrow -\frac{x}{R} \text{ when } x \rightarrow 0.$$

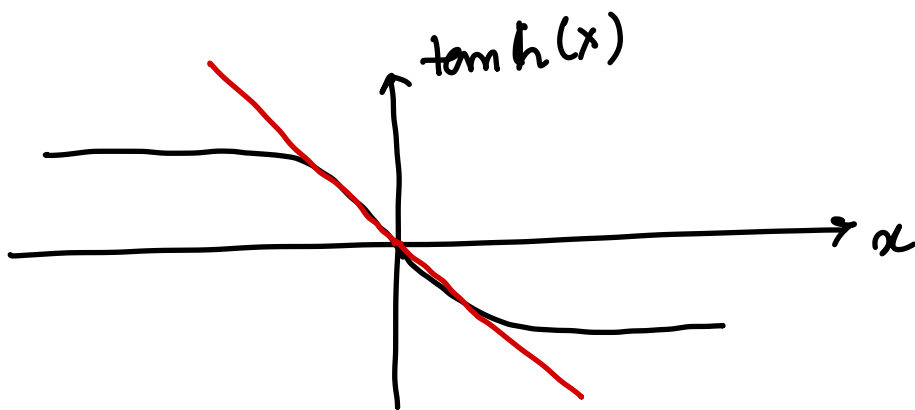
$$f_3(x) = \tanh\left(-\frac{x}{R}\right)$$

$$\tanh(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + O(7)$$

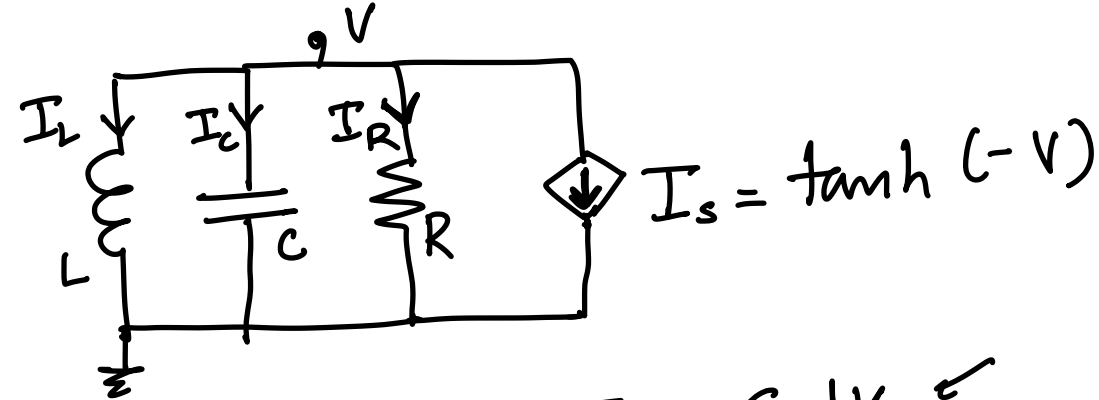
→ odd fn.

→ limiting

→  $\approx x$  for  $x \rightarrow 0$



Note: In reality  $f_3$  must be derived from the large signal  $I$ - $V$  characteristics of the active network.



$$V = I_R R$$

$$I_C = C \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$V = L \frac{dI_L}{dt}$$

$$I_s = \tanh(-V)$$

$$V = -L \frac{d}{dt} [I_C + I_s + I_R]$$

$$= -L \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \tanh(-V) + \frac{V}{R} + C \frac{dV}{dt} \right]$$

$$= L \left[ (1 - \tanh^2(V)) \frac{dV}{dt} - \frac{1}{R} \frac{dV}{dt} - C \frac{d^2V}{dt^2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{V}(LC) + \dot{V} \left[ \tanh^2(V) + \frac{1}{R} - 1 \right] L + V = 0$$

2<sup>nd</sup> order nonlinear diff. eqn.  $\Rightarrow$  limit cycle can exist.

$$\text{Let } x = V \quad \& \quad \dot{x} = \dot{V} = y$$

$$\dot{x} = y$$

$$\dot{y} = - \frac{x \left[ \tanh^2(x) + \frac{1}{R} - 1 \right]}{C} - \frac{x}{LC}$$