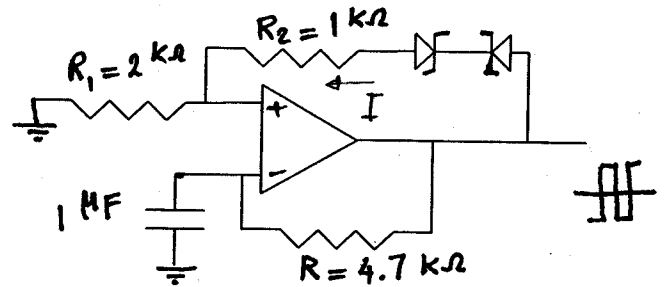


3-20 points) In the square-wave generator circuit, the zener voltage in the reverse mode is 3[V] and in forward mode is 0.7[V]. The amplitude of the generated square wave is 10[V]. Find the frequency of oscillation.



Solution :

$$I = \frac{V_+ - (V_Z + 0.7)}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{10 - 3.7}{1 + 2} = 2.1 \text{ mA}$$

$$V_+ = I \times R_1 = 2.1 \times 2 = 4.2 \text{ [V]}$$

So V_+ switches between 4.2 and -4.2 [V]

$$\beta = \frac{4.2}{10} = 0.42$$

$$T = 2RC \ln \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} = 2 \times 4.7 \times 1 \times 10^{-3} \ln \frac{1 + 0.42}{1 - 0.42}$$

$$T = 8.42 \text{ ms}$$

$$f = 118 \text{ Hz}$$