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Lecture 2: Switched-Capacitor Circuits

Reference: Design of Analog CMOS Integrated Circuits by Behzad Razavi

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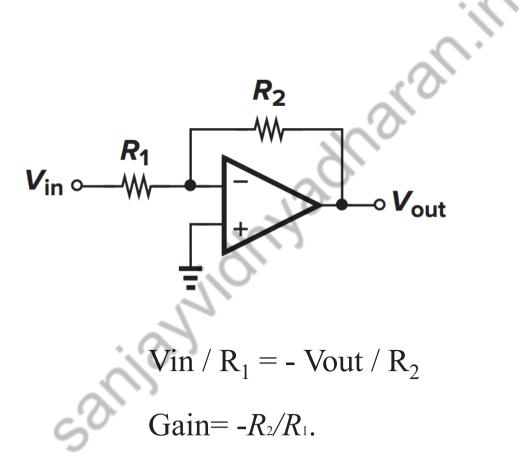
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1. General Considerations



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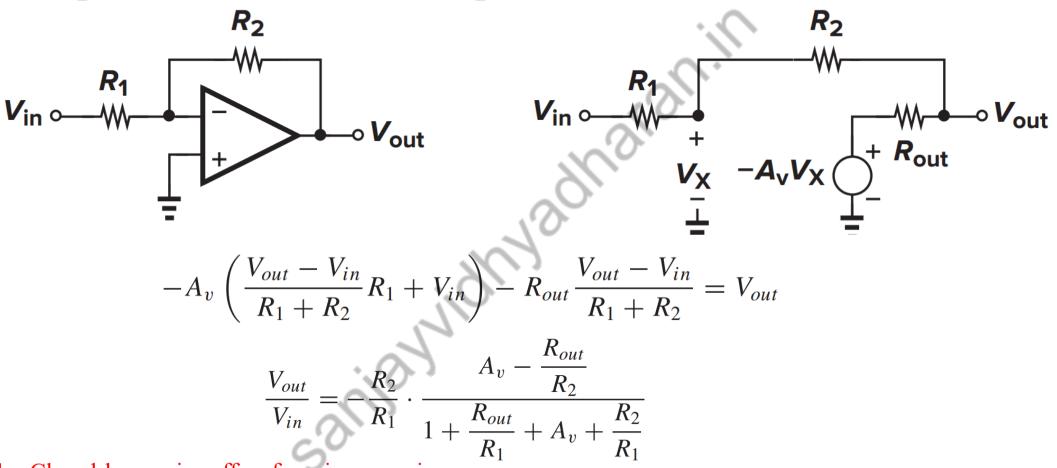
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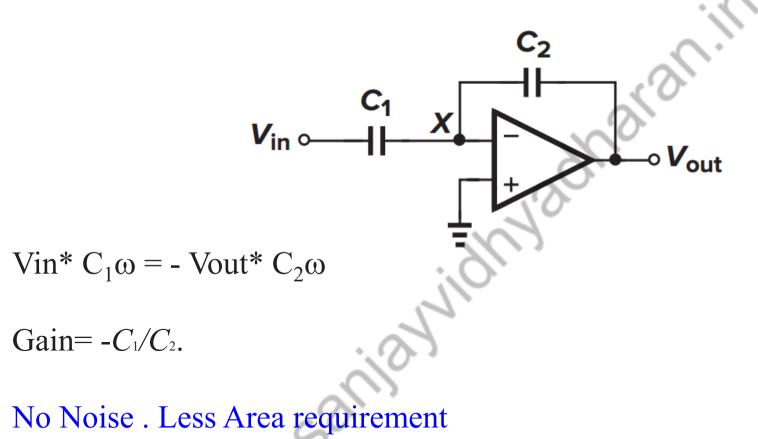
Simple Continuous Time Amplifier



- 1. Closed-loop gain suffers from inaccuracies
- Input resistance of the amplifier, approximately equal to R1, loads the preceding stage. R1 has to be low for High gain. While high R1 while introducing thermal noise.
- 3. $R_{out}/R_2 \ll A_v$

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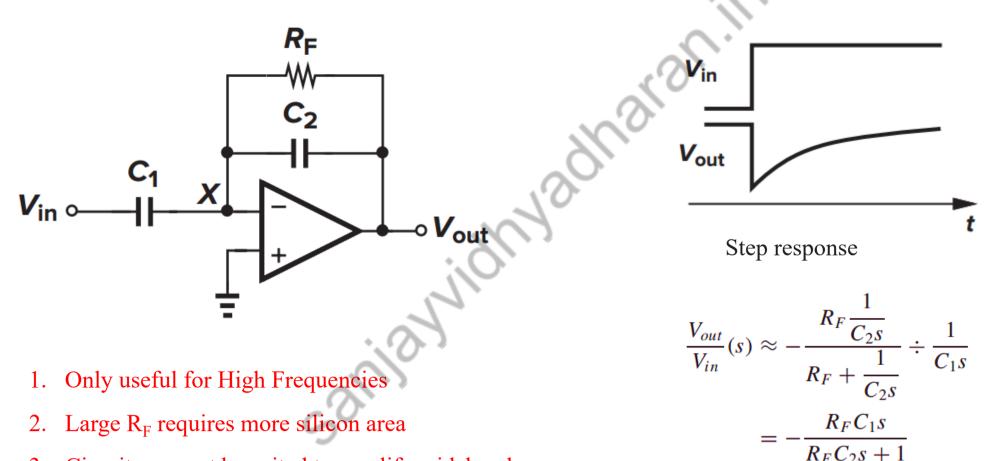
Simple continuous time amplifier with Capacitors



- 1. No DC feedback.
- 2. Can get Saturated due to offset

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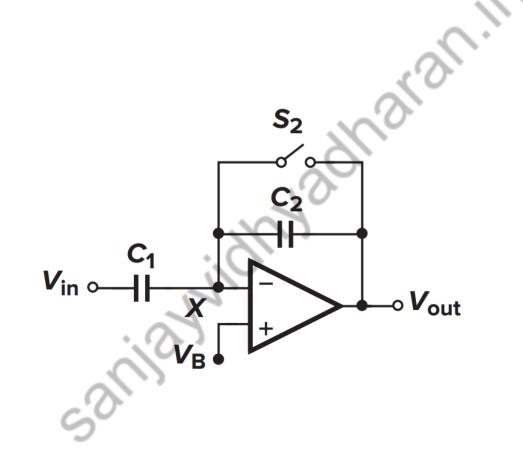


3. Circuit may not be suited to amplify wideband

 $V_{out}/V_{in} \approx -C_1/C_2$ only if $\omega \gg (R_F C_2)^{-1}$.



Use of feedback switch to define dc input level

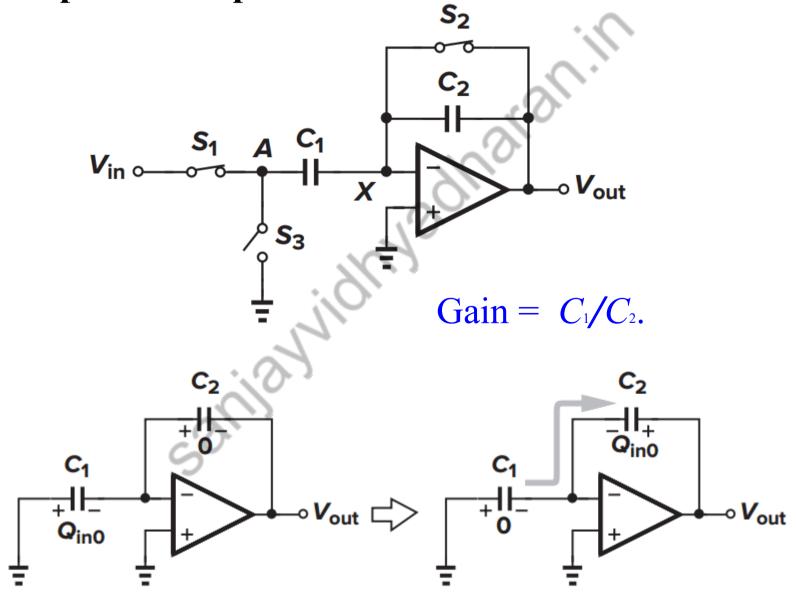


2. Switched Capacitance Amps



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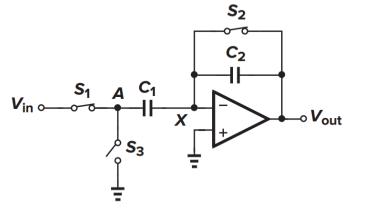
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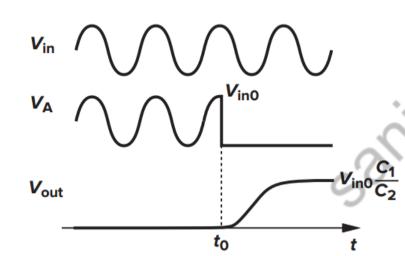


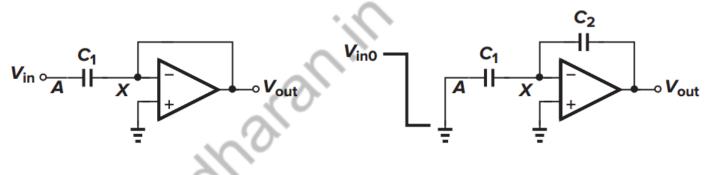
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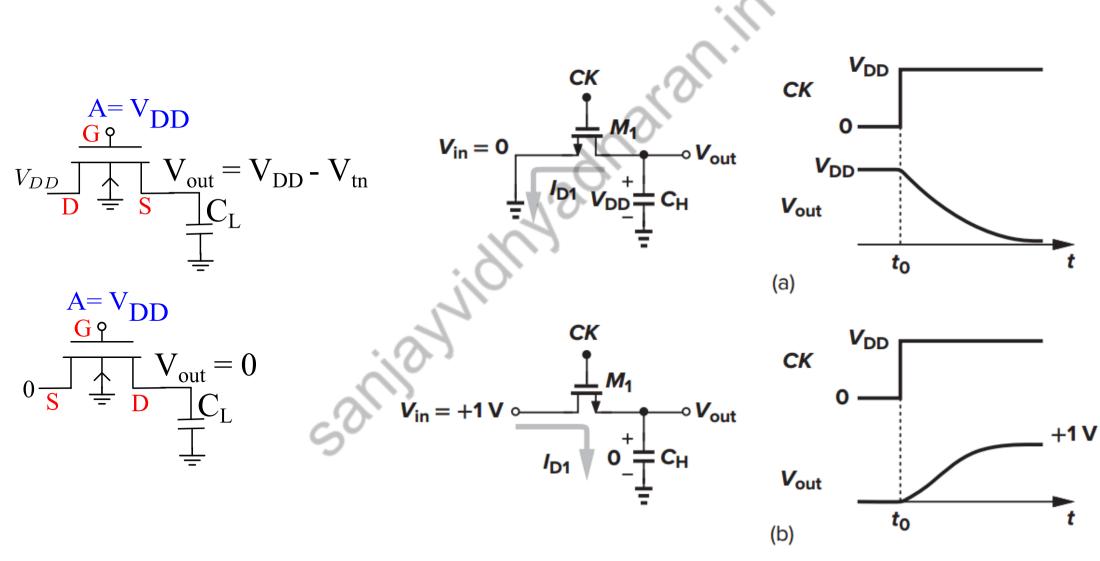
1. During sampling the input, output set to zero

2. After sampling, for t > t0, the circuit ignores the input voltage amplifying the sampled voltage

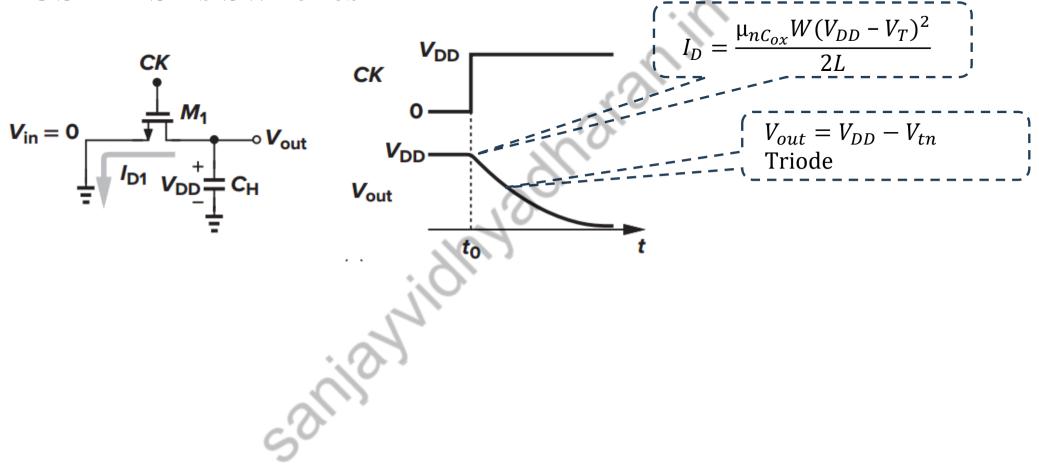
3. Note that S2 must turn on periodically to compensate for the leakage currents

1. *Vout* settles to $Vin \cdot C_1/C_2$, the current through C_2 approaches zero. That is, the feedback capacitor does not reduce the open-loop gain of the amplifier if the output voltage is given enough time to settle. On the other hand, R_2 loads the amplifier continuously.

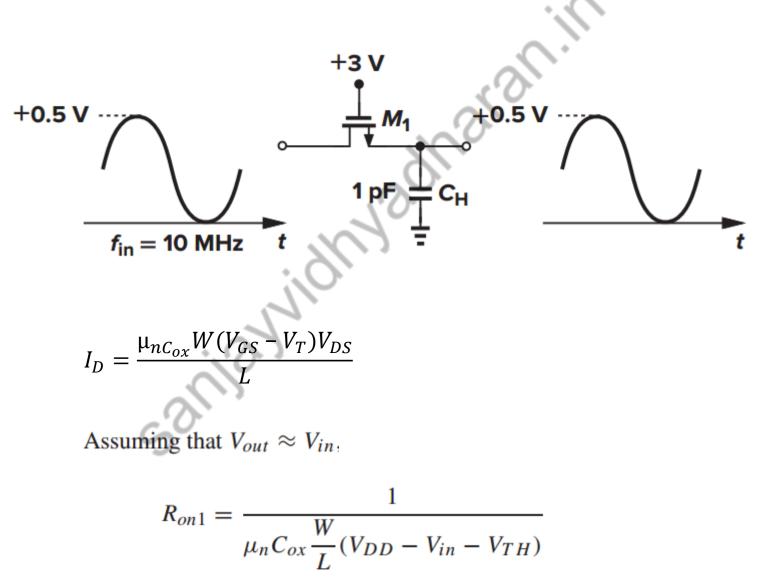
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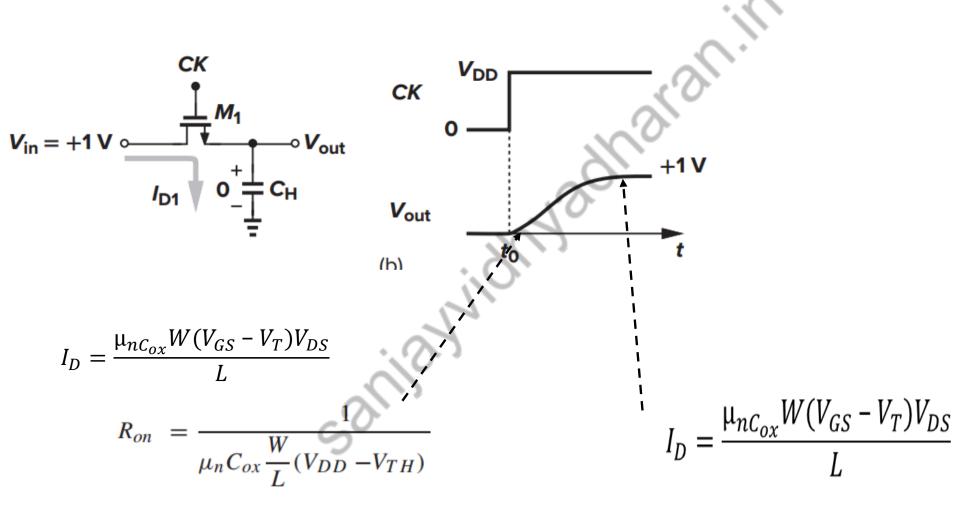
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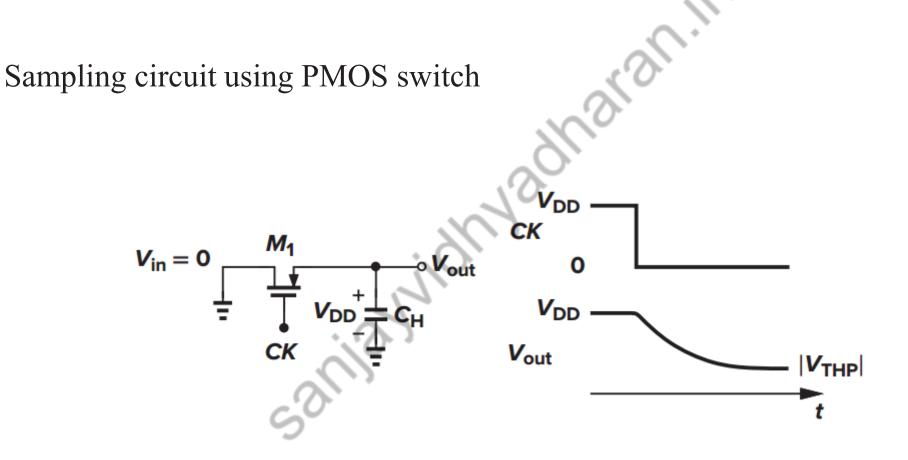


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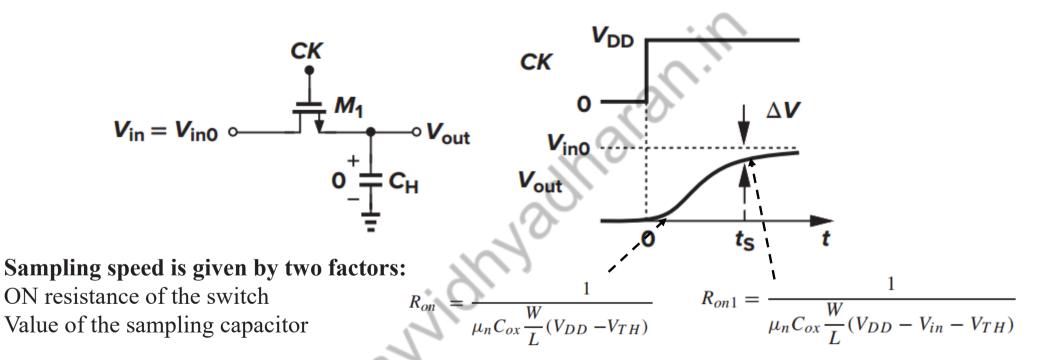


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Speed Considerations



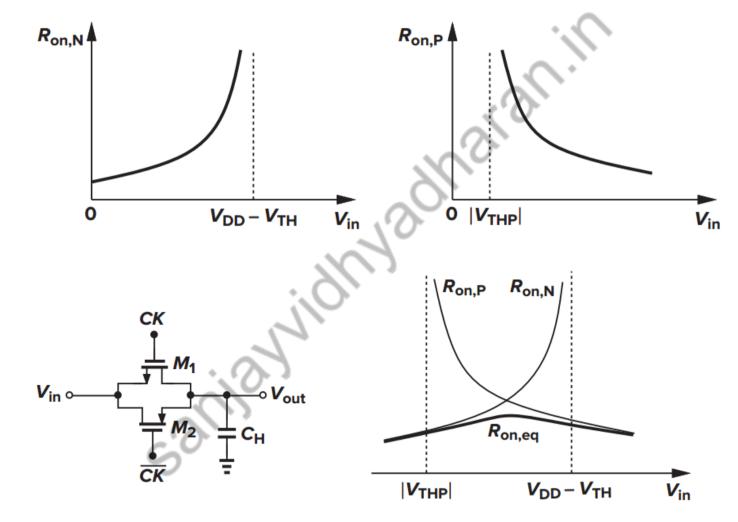
Ron also depends on the input level For example, if we restrict the variation of Ron to a range of 4 to 1, then the maximum input level is given by

$$\frac{1}{\mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{DD} - V_{in,max} - V_{TH})} = \frac{4}{\mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{DD} - V_{TH})}$$

This value falls around $V_{DD}/2$, translating to severe swing limitations. Device threshold voltage directly limits the voltage swings.

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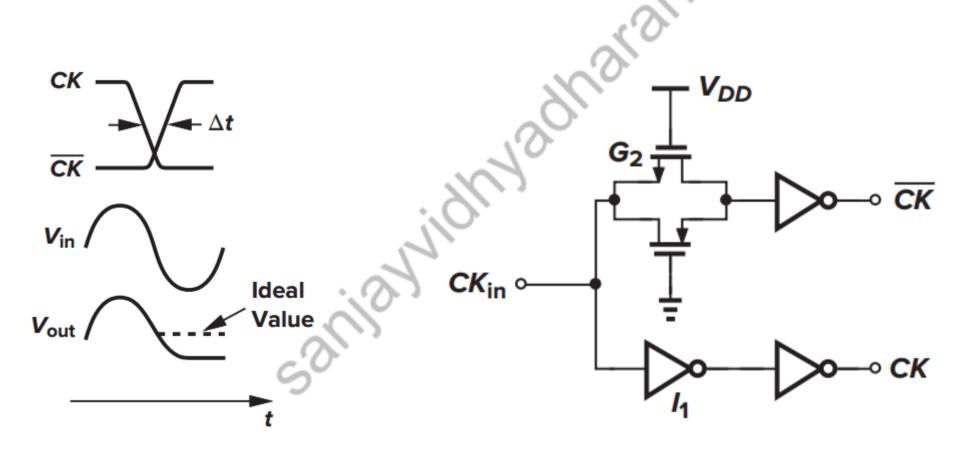


if $\mu_n C_{ox}(W/L)_N = \mu_p C_{ox}(W/L)_P$, then $R_{on,eq}$ is independent of the input level.

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Precision Considerations

Distortion generated if complementary switches do not turn off simultaneously.

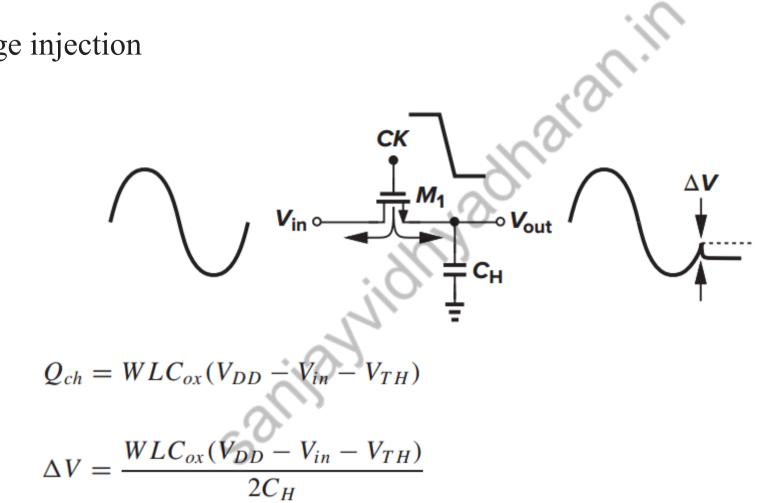


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Charge injection



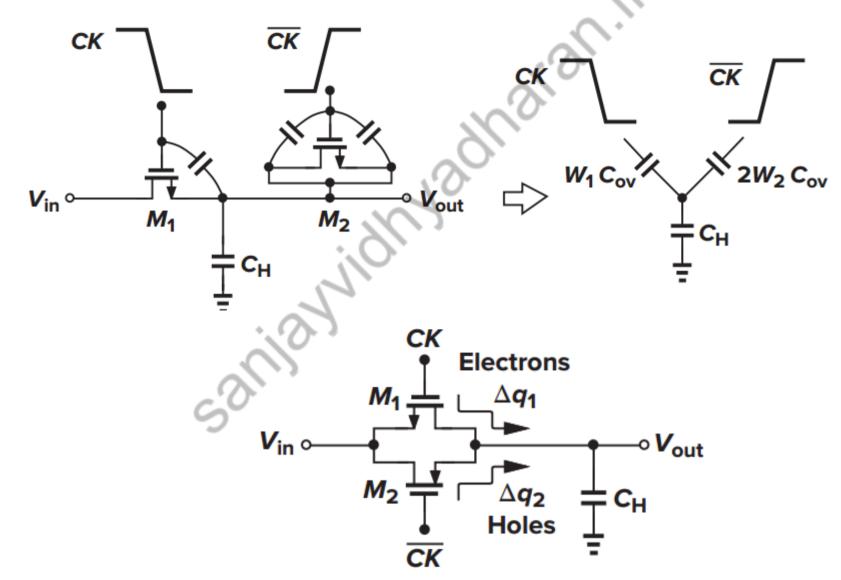
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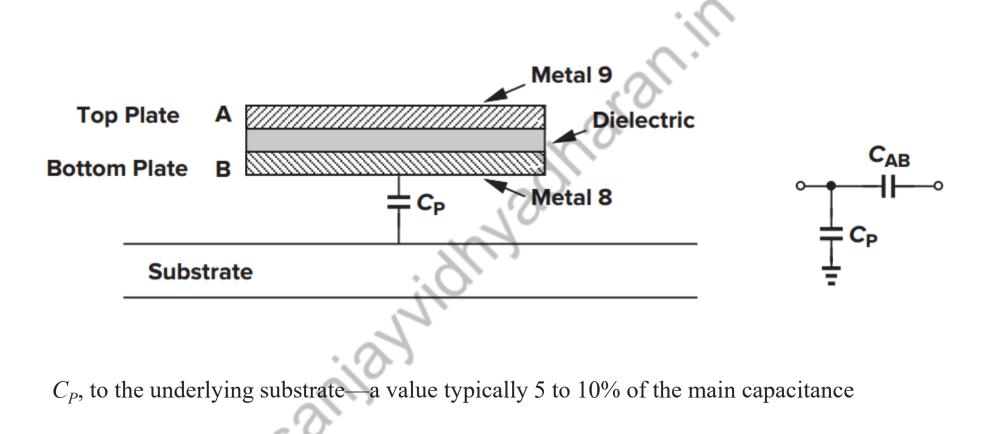
Clock feedthrough



4. Implementing Capacitors

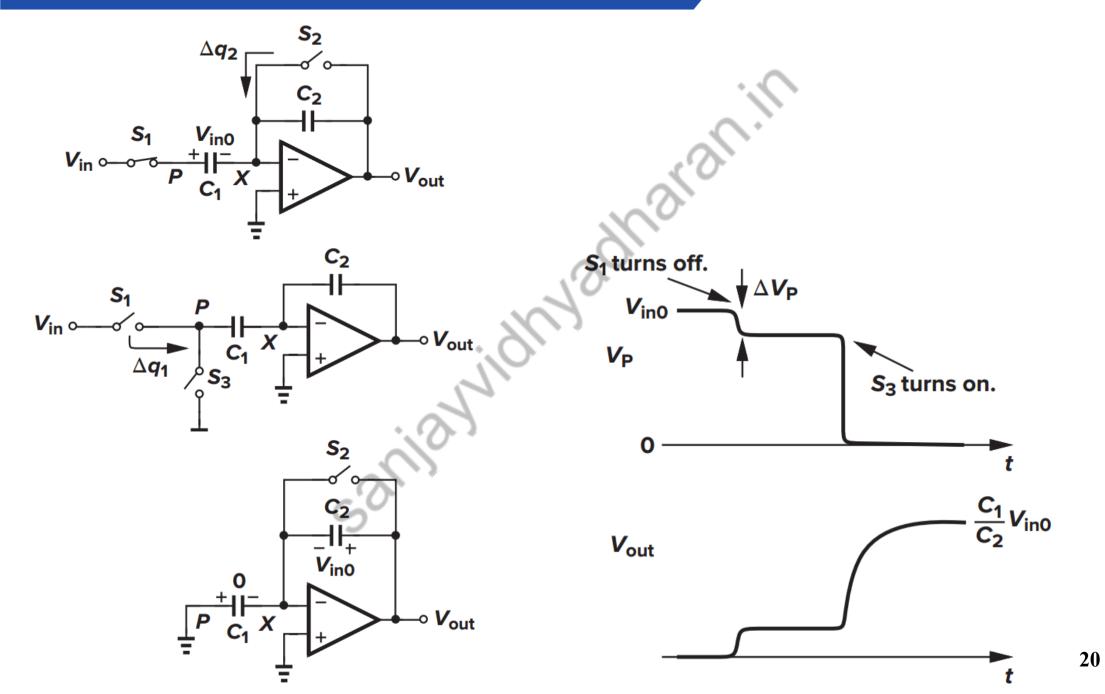


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5. Switched Capacitance Amp

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Precision Multiply-by-Two Circuit

Switched Capacitance Amp suffers from speed and precision degradation due to the low feedback factor

