

ECE 615 - Lecture 21

Multistage Modulators: S. far \rightarrow single-loop $\Delta\Sigma$ modulator

* $OSR \uparrow \rightarrow SNR \uparrow$ ($ENOB \uparrow$)

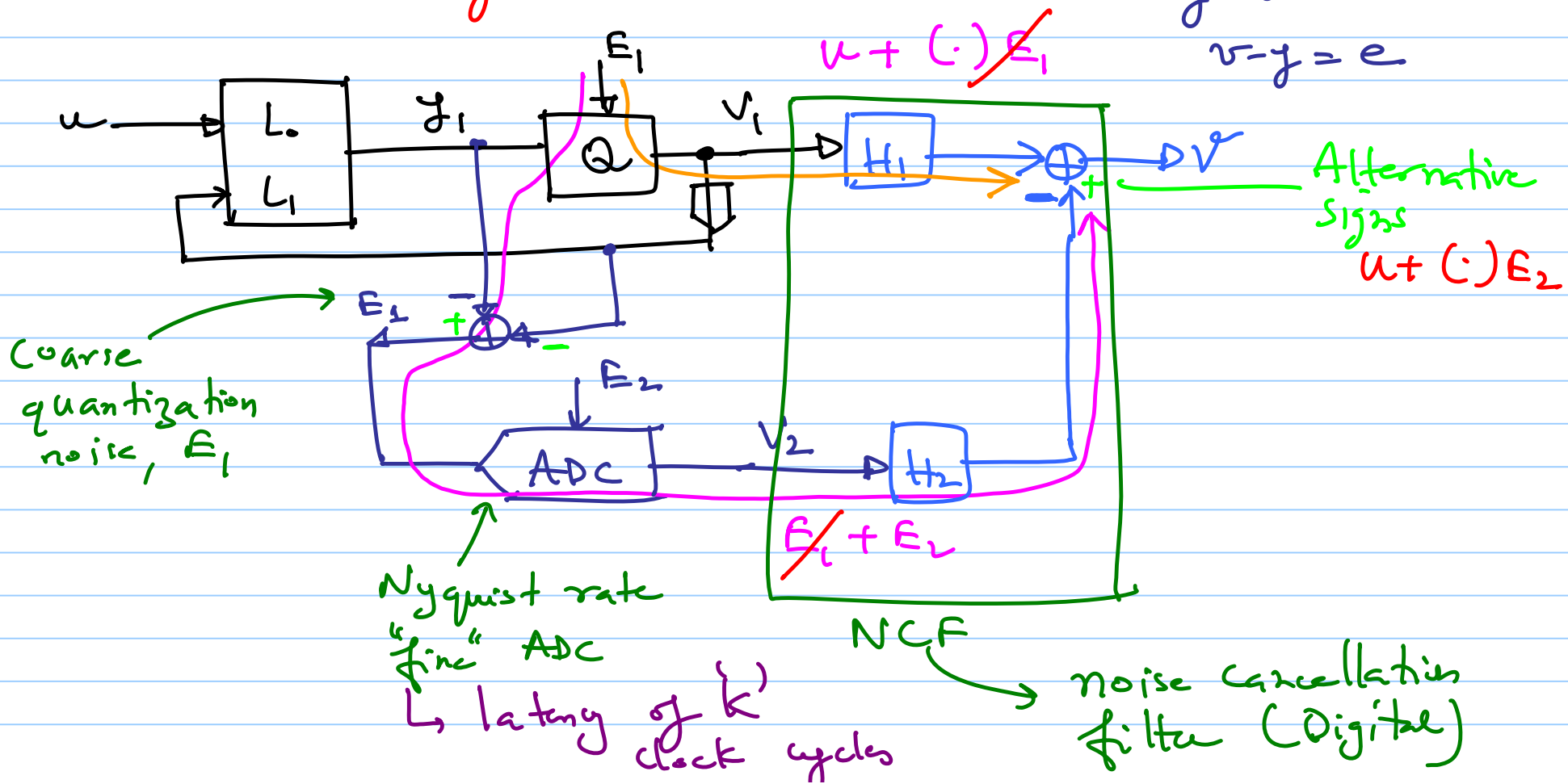


Ex. $BW = 80 \text{ MHz}$ (802.11ac)

can't increase OSR much further : $f_s = 640 \text{ MHz}$ in 65-nm CMOS
 $OSR = 4$

what if order \uparrow $MSA \downarrow$ due to stability issues.

L-0 Cascade of $\Delta\Sigma$ Modulator



* L^{th} -order $\Delta\Sigma\text{M}$ in the 1st stage followed by
 (0th-order) ADC as the 2nd stage \Rightarrow Nyquist rate ADC
 s. pipelined or SAR ADC

\hookrightarrow L-O cascade

\Rightarrow combine V_1 & V_2 to cancel out E_1

$\Rightarrow H_1(z) = z^{-k} \Rightarrow$ matches the latency of the 2nd-stage

$\Rightarrow H_2(z) \Rightarrow ??$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(z) &= H_1(z) V_1(z) - H_2(z) V_2(z) \\
 &= \underbrace{z^{-k}}_{H_1} (STF_1 \cdot U + NTF_1(z) \cdot E_1) - H_2(z) \cdot \overbrace{z^{-k}}^{\text{delay of ADC}_2} (E_1 + E_2) \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \because V_2 = E_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= z^{-k} STF_1 \cdot U + \underbrace{\left(z^{-k} NTF_1(z) - z^{-k} H_2(z) \right)}_{=0} E_1 - H_2(z) \cdot z^{-k} \cdot E_2$$

$$H_2(z) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} NTF_1(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow V(z) = \underbrace{z^{-k} \cdot STF_1(z)} \cdot U(z) - \underbrace{z^{-k} NTF_1(z)} \cdot E_2(z)$$

$$NTF(z) = NTF_1(z) \cdot z^{-k}$$

↳ PSD of $E_2(z)$ is much smaller than that of $E_1(z)$

↳ Significant gain in SNR (ideally)

for perfect "noise cancellation"

$$H_{2d}(z) = NTF_{1a}(z)$$

digital ← switched capacitor analog

end up with

$$E_1 (NTF_{1a} - H_{2d})$$

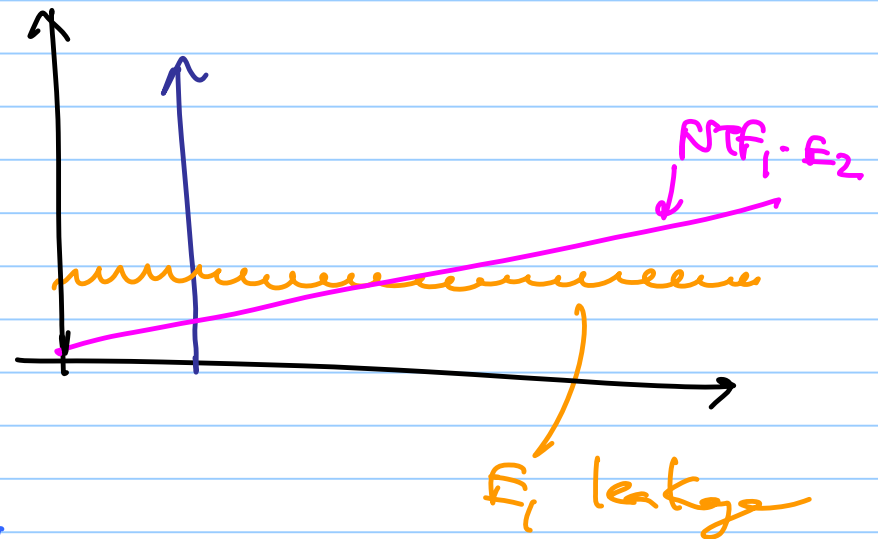
↳ coarse quantization noise leakage

changes b'coz of opamp non-idealities

Ideal



Realistic

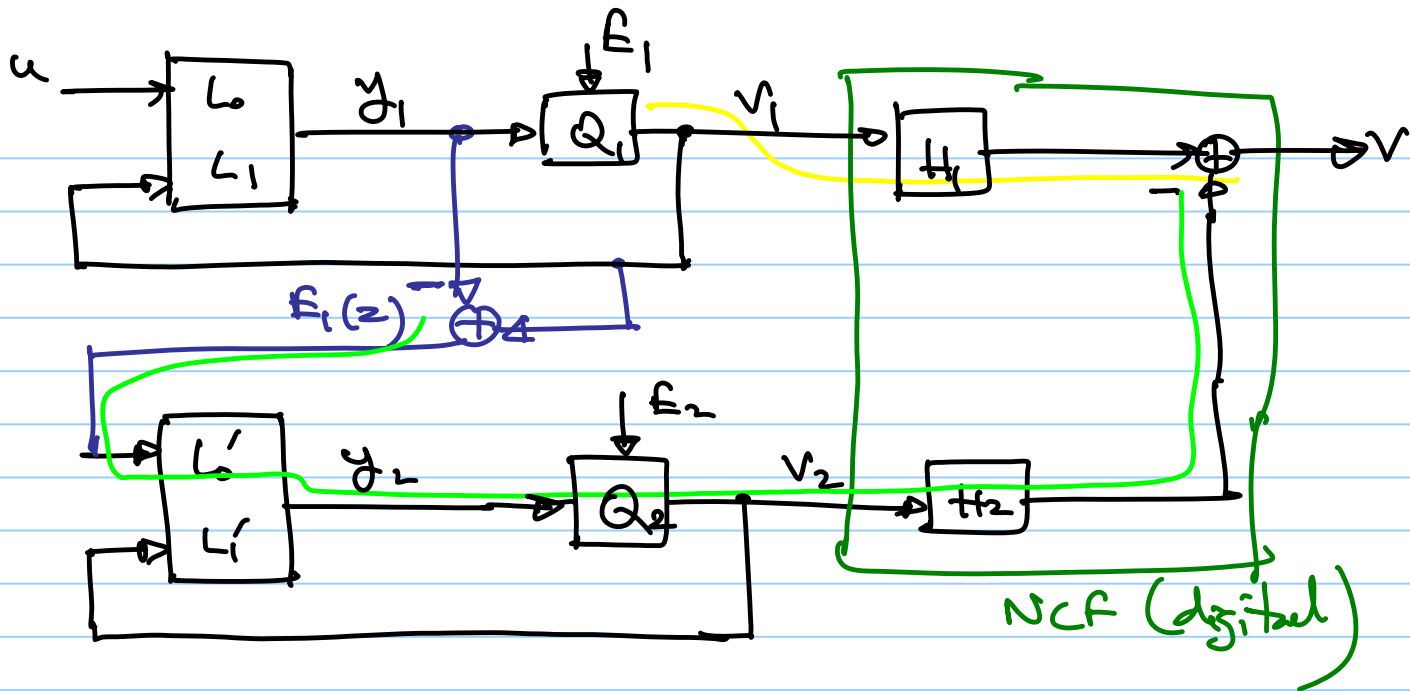


Eventually a trade-off between
power consumption & quantization noise leakage

Cascaded $\Delta\Sigma$ Modulator (MASH)

"Multistage Age Noise Straping" modulator = MASH

= second stage in the cascade is another $\Delta\Sigma$ Modulator



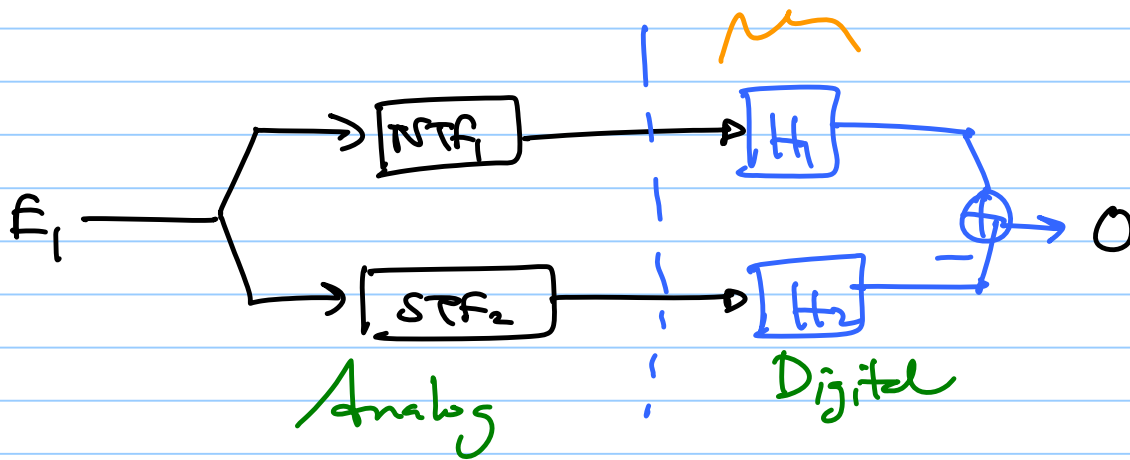
$$V(z) = H_1 V_1 - H_2 V_2$$

$$= H_1 (STF_1 \cdot u + NTF_1 \cdot E_1) - H_2 (STF_2 \cdot E_1 + NTF_2 \cdot E_2)$$

$$= (H_1 \cdot STF_1 \cdot U - \underbrace{H_2 \cdot NTF_2}_{\text{red}} \cdot E_2) + \underbrace{(H_1 \cdot NTF_1 - H_2 \cdot STF_2)}_{\text{cancel } E_1(z)} \cdot E_1$$

for E_1 cancellation

$$H_1 \cdot NTF_1 \stackrel{\Delta}{=} H_2 \cdot STF_2$$



$$H_1 \stackrel{\Delta}{=} STF_2$$

$$H_2 \stackrel{\Delta}{=} NTF_1$$

$$NTF_{\text{MASH}} = NTF_1 \cdot NTF_2$$

2-1 \rightarrow 3rd ^{MASH} _{order} noise shaping

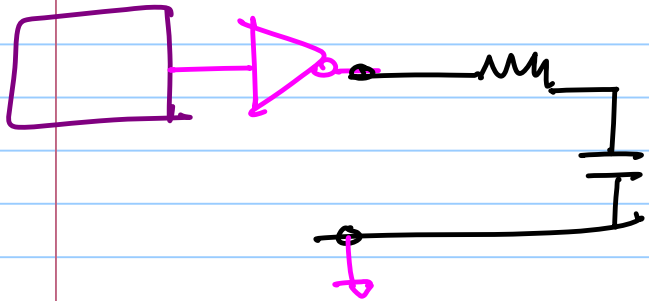
2-2 \rightarrow 4

2-2-1 \rightarrow 5

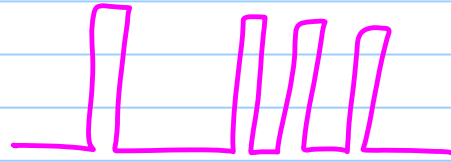
~~2-2-2~~ \rightarrow diminishing returns

1-1 \rightarrow first stage \rightarrow avoid 1st order Modulator

1-bit $\Delta\Sigma$ modulator



6-bit resolution



PWM

