
THE FIRST-ORDER DELTA-SIGMA MODULATOR

MOD 1

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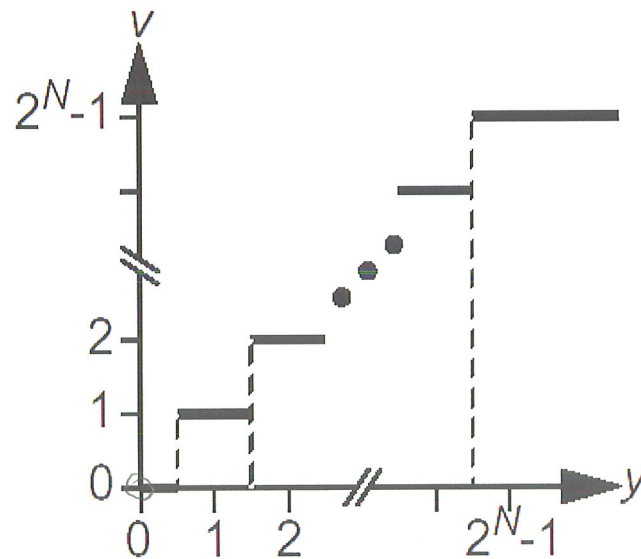
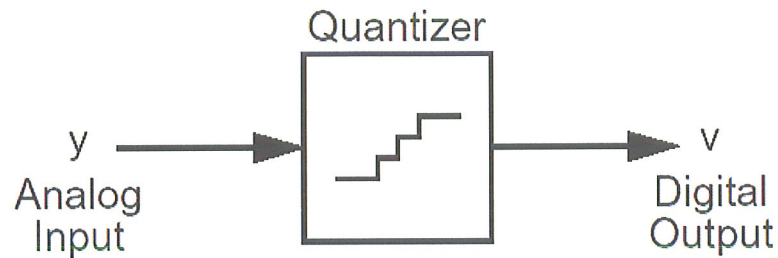
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- Binary quantization
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- Simulation of MOD1
- MOD1 under DC excitation
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- Decimation filters for MOD1

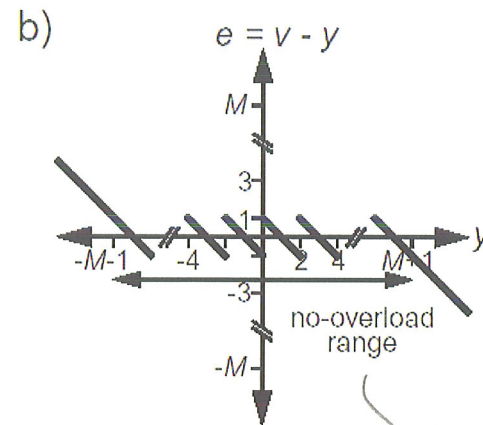
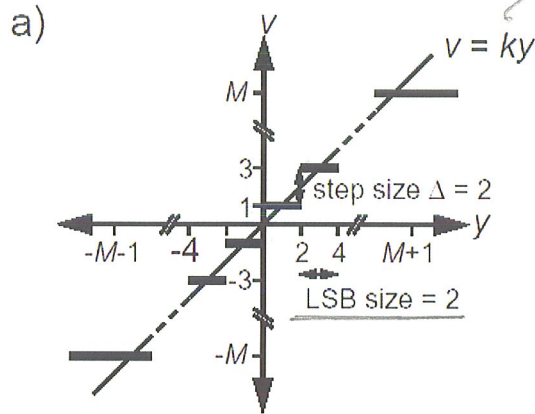
Quantizers and Quantization Noise (1)

- Unipolar N-bit quantizer:



Quantizers and Quantization Noise (2)

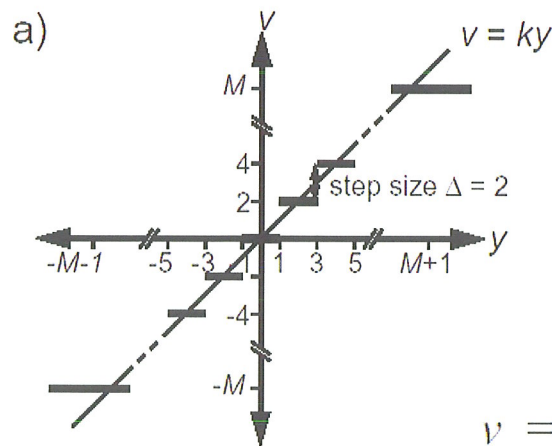
- M-step mid-rise quantizer:



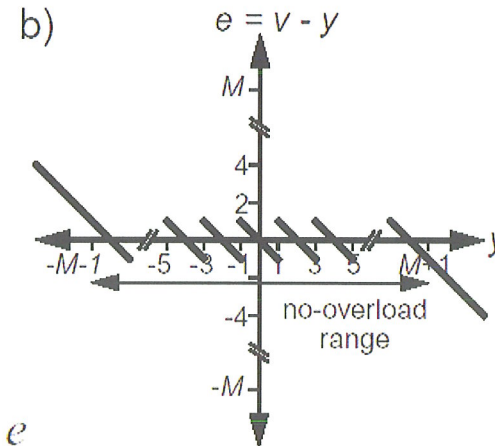
$$-(M+1) < y < M+1$$

$$|e| \leq 1$$

- M-step mid-tread quantizer:

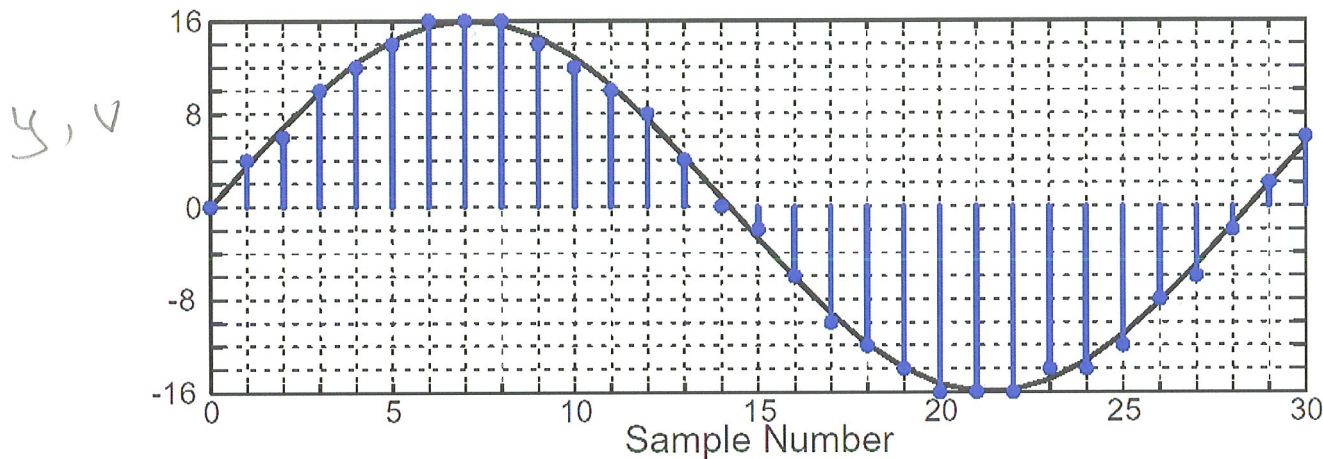


$$v = ky + e$$



Quantizers and Quantization Noise (3)

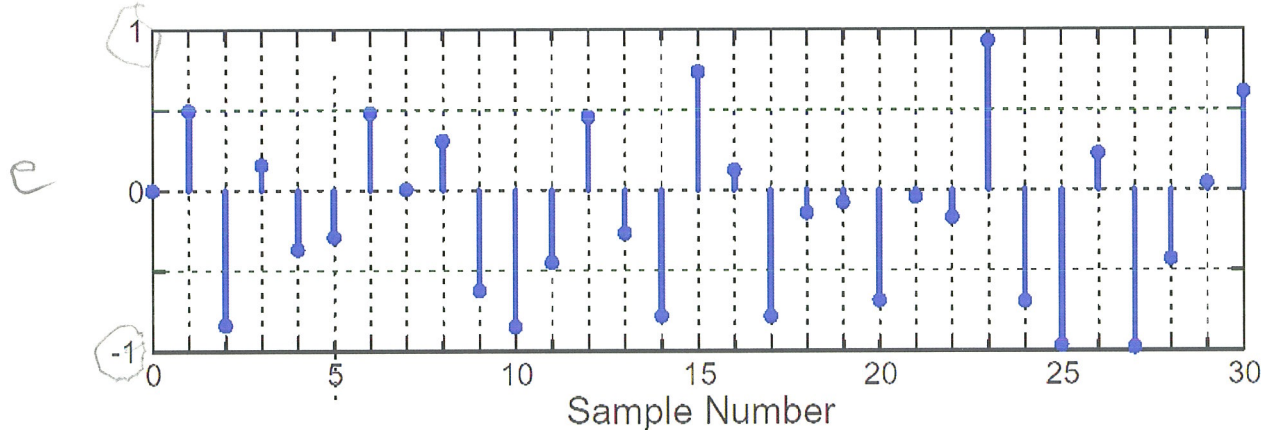
- Sampled signal:



16-step
quantization
used

RMS of noise
 $\Delta/\sqrt{12}$

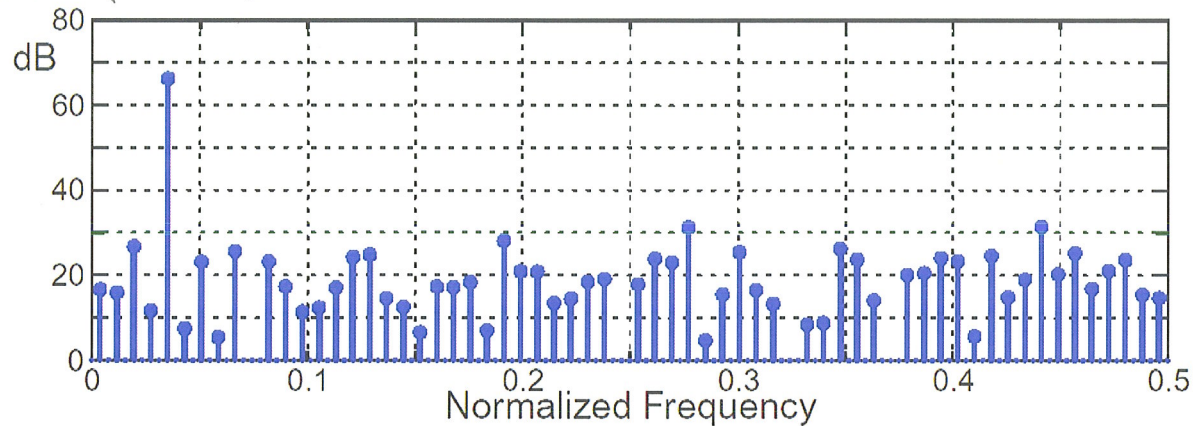
- Quantization error:



f/f_s
irrational!
large
input

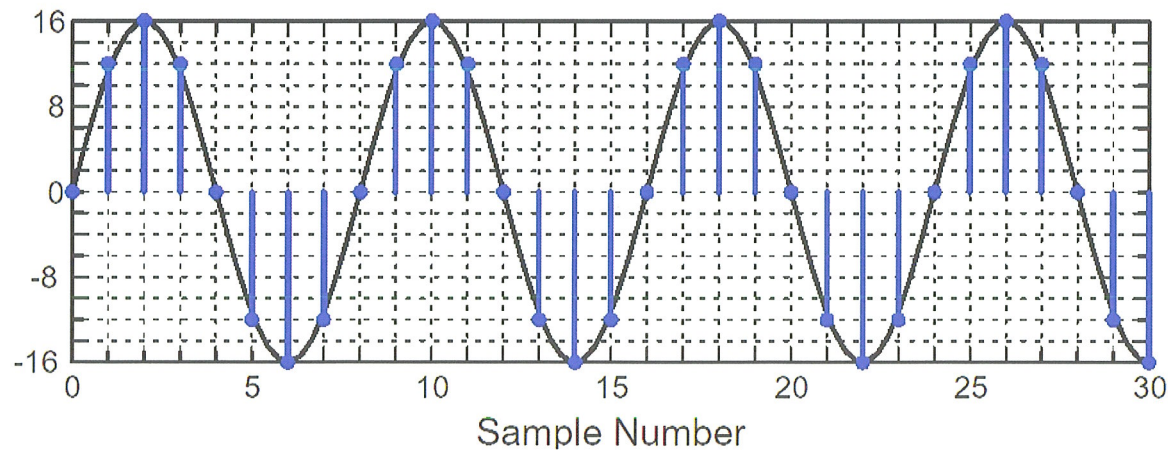
Quantizers and Quantization Noise (4)

- FFT: of $e(n)$



~ white

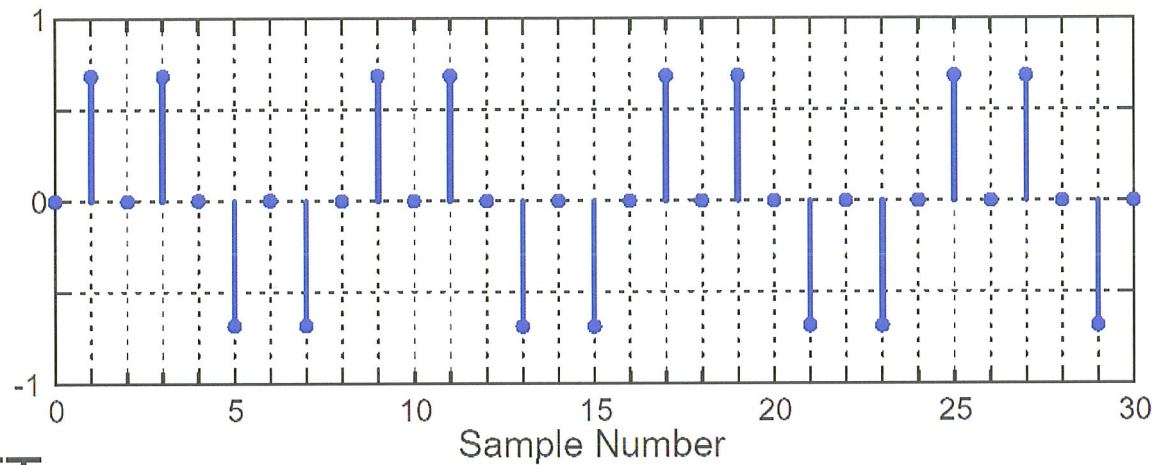
- Sampled signal ($f = f_s/8$):



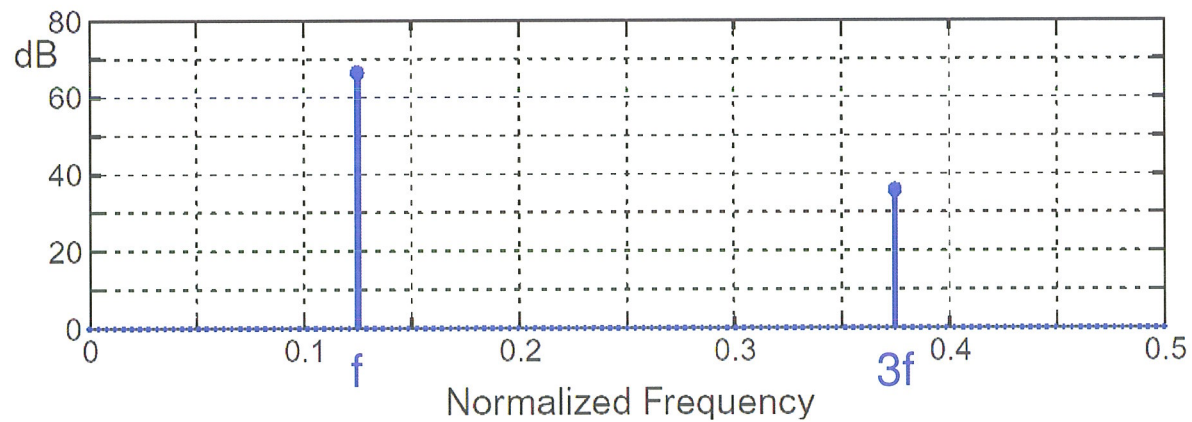
rational

Binary Quantization (1)

- Quantization error:

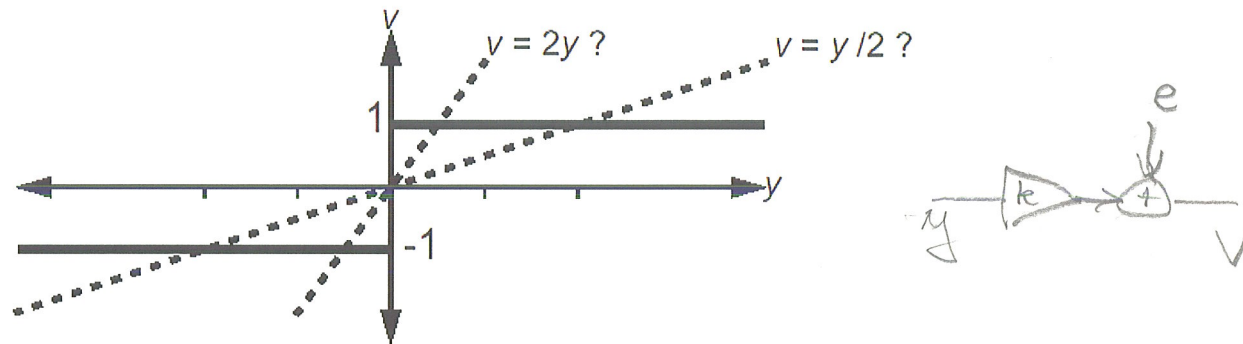


- FFT:



Binary Quantization (2)

- Modeling the gain:



- Minimize mean square error of e :
$$\sigma_e^2 = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^N e(n)^2$$

"Inner product"
"Scalar - " - "

$$\langle a, b \rangle \triangleq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^N a(n)b(n) = E[ab]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_e^2 &= \langle e, e \rangle \\ &= \langle v - ky, v - ky \rangle \\ &= \langle v, v \rangle - 2k \langle v, y \rangle + k^2 \langle y, y \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{opt.: } k = \frac{\langle v, y \rangle}{\langle y, y \rangle} = \frac{E[|y|]}{E[y^2]}$$

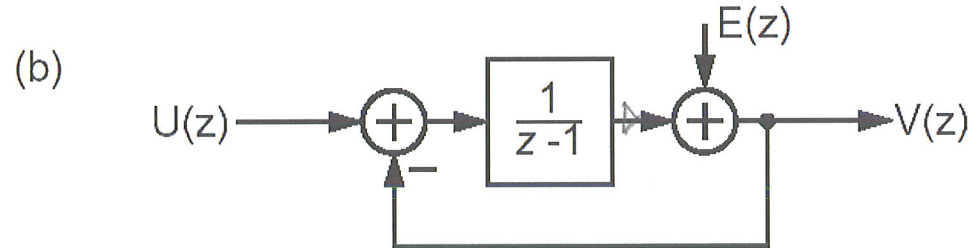
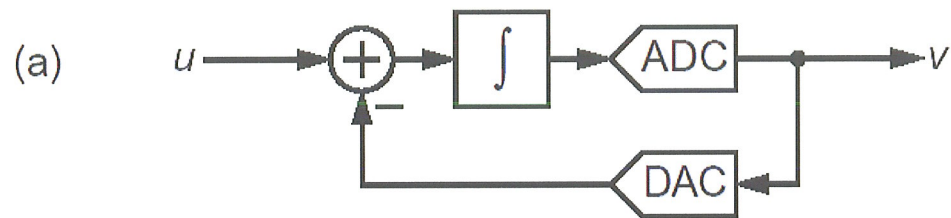
Decorrelation: $\langle y, e \rangle \stackrel{!}{=} 0$

$\langle y, e \rangle = \langle y, v - ky \rangle = \langle y, v \rangle - k \langle y, y \rangle$
same result

Check it for sine wave!

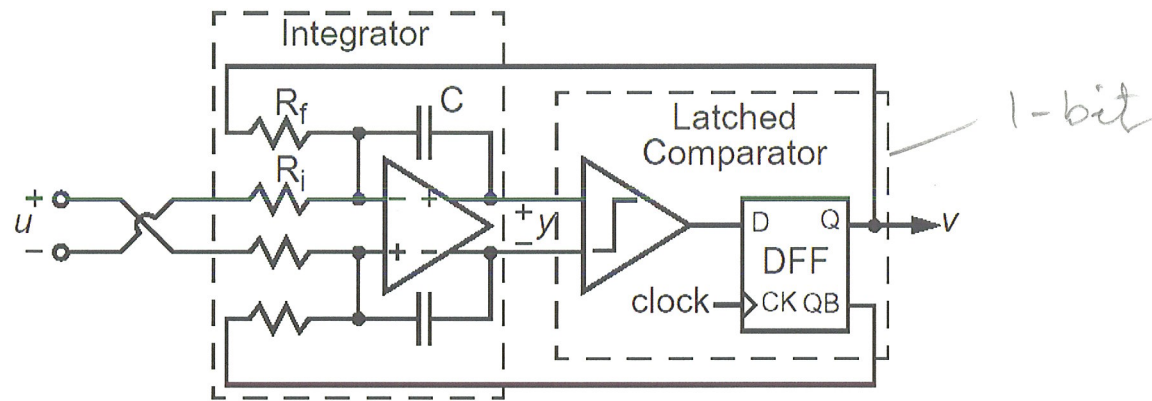
MOD1 as an ADC (1)

- Linear modeling:

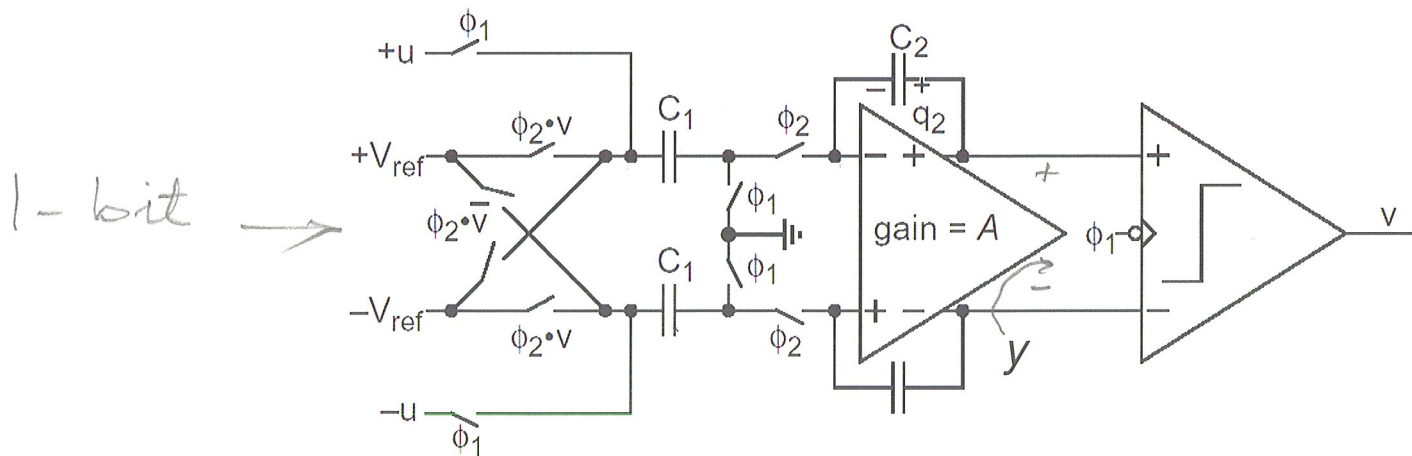


MOD1 as an ADC (2)

- Continuous-time implementation:

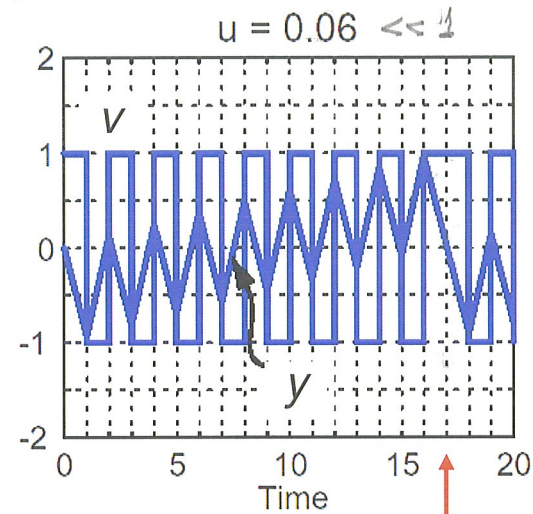
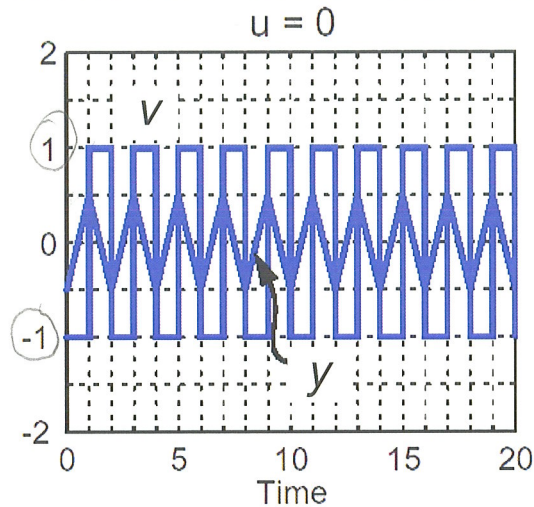


- Discrete-time switched-capacitor implementation:



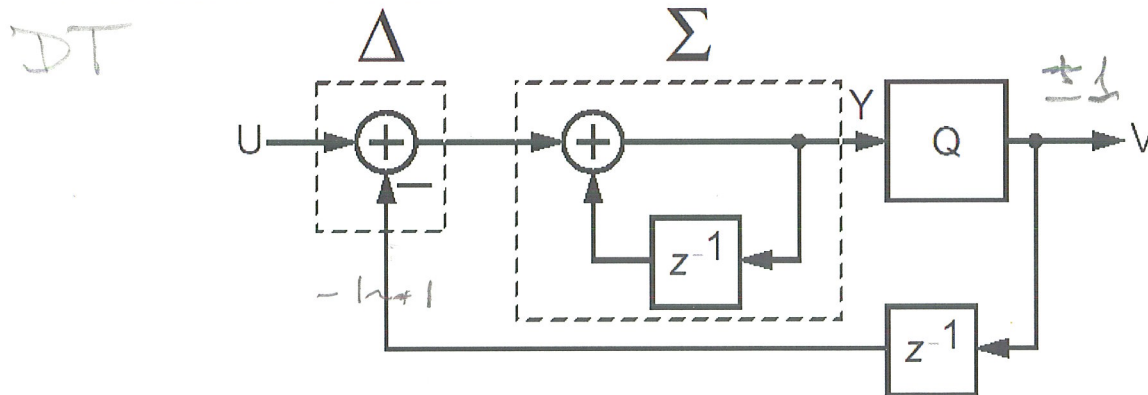
MOD1 as an ADC (3)

- Continuous-time waveforms:



$V(t) \rightarrow 1$

- Z-domain model:



change in
v pattern

MOD1 as an ADC (4)

- Stable operation:

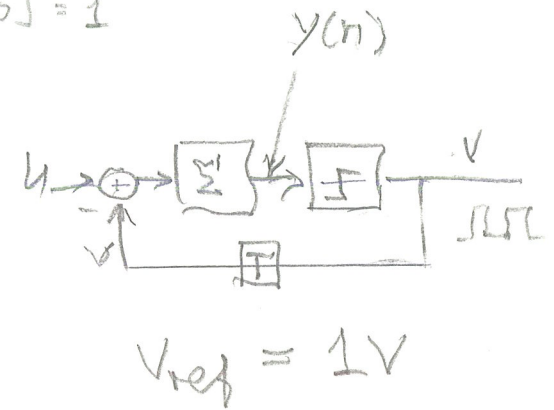
$$v(n) = \text{sgn}[y(n)]. \quad \text{equ}[0] = 1$$

Initial condition:

$$y(-1) = 0$$

$$y(n) = y(n-1) + u(n) - v(n-1)$$

$$y(N) - y(0) = \sum_{n=0}^N [u(n) - v(n-1)].$$



If $y(n)$ is bounded,

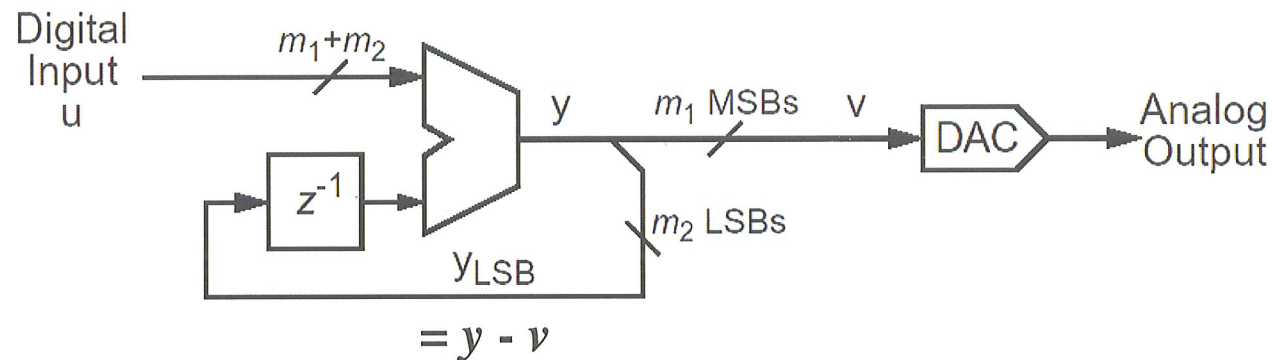
$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{y(N) - y(0)}{N} = 0$$

$$\bar{u} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} u(n) = \bar{v} \quad !$$

Perfectly accurate for $N \rightarrow \infty$, for $H(0) \rightarrow \infty$

MOD1 as a DAC

- Error feedback structure: → recycled error!



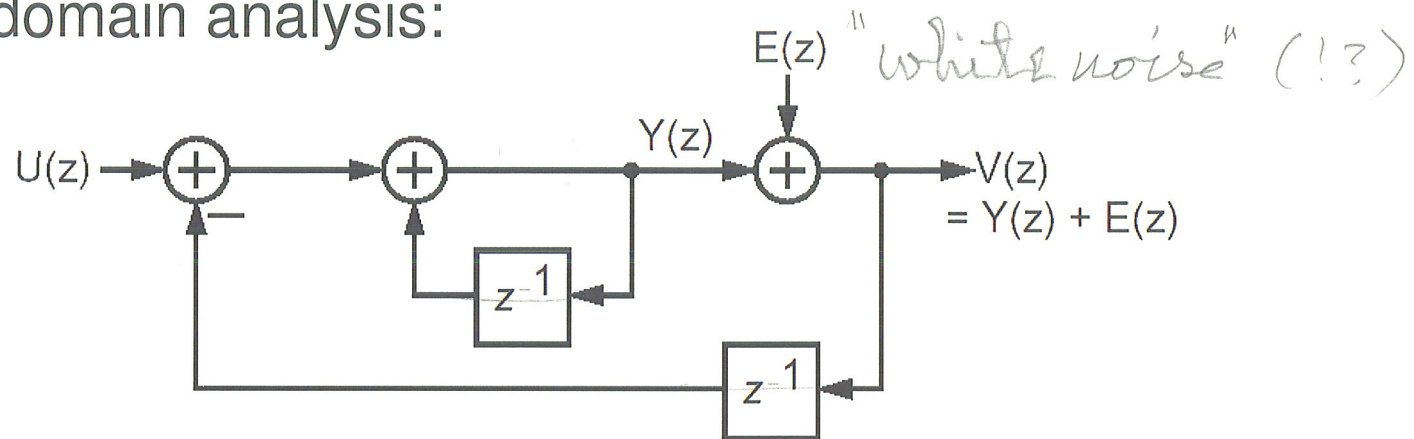
$$y(n) = u(n) + y_{LSB}(n-1)$$

$$y(n) = u(n) + y(n-1) - v(n-1)$$

Same as for $\Delta\Sigma$ loop → another option for DAC.
(For ADC, impractical!)

MOD1 Linear Model (1)

- Z-domain analysis:



$$Y(z) = z^{-1} Y(z) + U(z) - z^{-1} V(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(z) &= Y(z) + E(z) = z^{-1} Y(z) + U(z) - z^{-1} V(z) + E(z) \\ &= U(z) + E(z) - z^{-1} (V(z) - Y(z)) \\ &= U(z) + E(z) - z^{-1} E(z) \\ &= U(z) + (1 - z^{-1}) E(z). \end{aligned}$$

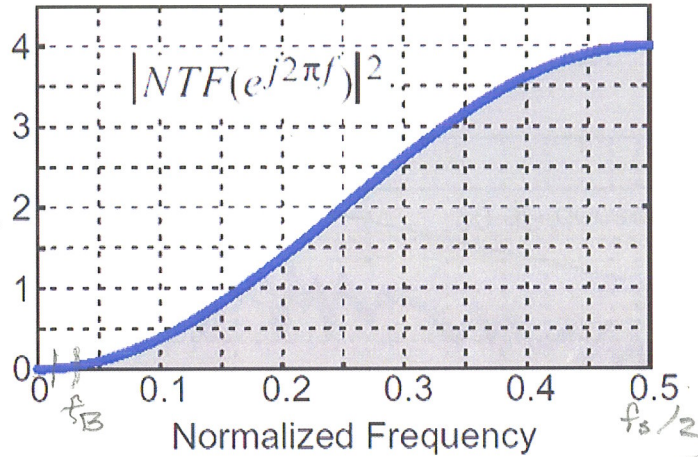
$$V(z) = STF(z)U(z) + NTF(z)E(z)$$

MOD1 Linear Model (2)

- Frequency-domain analysis: $|NTF(e^{j2\pi f})|^2 = [2 \sin(\pi f)]^2 \approx (2\pi f)^2$

$NTF = 1 - z^{-1}$

$0 - f_B$
 $OSR = f_s / (2f_B) \gg 1$
 $f_B = 1 / (2 \cdot OSR)$



$z \rightarrow e^{j\omega T}$
 $f \ll f_s \equiv 1$
 $T \equiv 1$

white PSD of $e(n)$

Mean square of q_o : $\sigma_{q_o}^2 \approx \int_0^{1/(2 \cdot OSR)} [2\pi f]^2 S_e(f) df = \frac{\pi^2}{9(OSR)^3}$ (for $OSR \gg 1$)

(inband shaped quant. noise)

power

FS sine wave

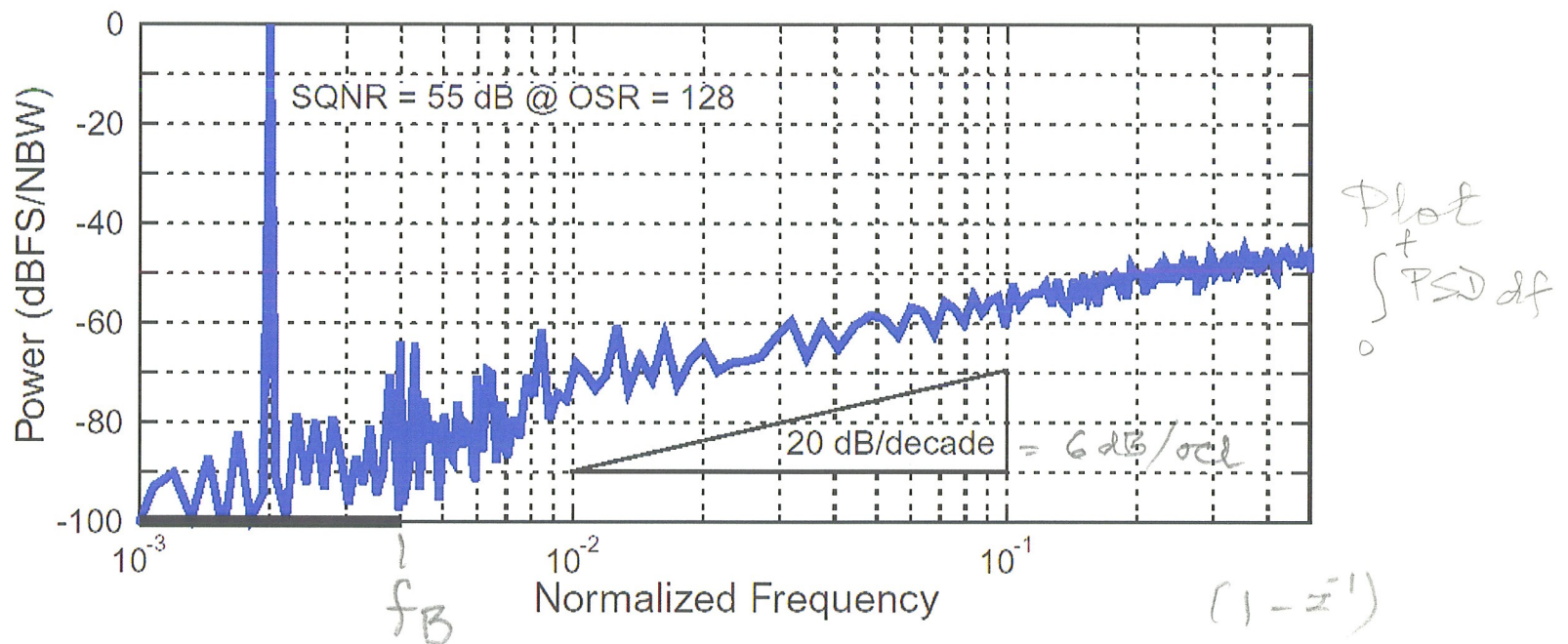
of levels in Q

$$SQNR = \frac{\sigma_u^2}{\sigma_{q_o}^2} = \frac{9M^2(OSR)^3}{2\pi^2}$$

Signal-to-quantization noise ratio

Simulation of MOD1 (1)

- Output spectrum for full-scale sine-wave input:



Looks ok, but SQNR 5 dB less than the formulaic.