

# Analog Filter Design

## Part. 4: Discrete Time Filters

- Sect. 4-b: Switched Capacitors Filters

# First SC circuits: simulations of resistances

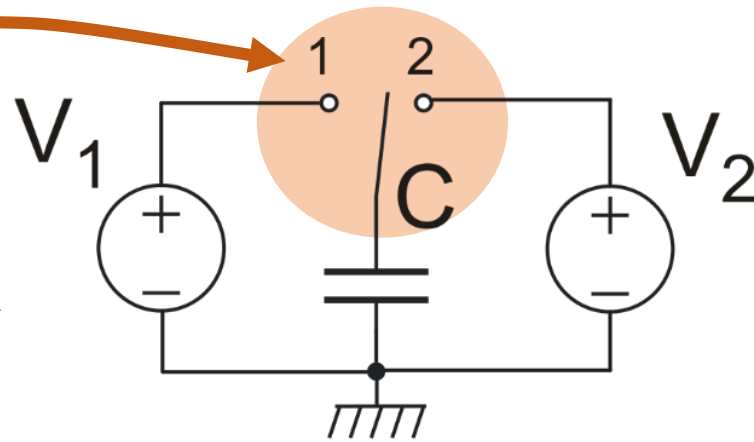
- In integrated RC active filters, the resistances may be the largest components, especially when low frequency singularities are required, as in audio analog processors.
- Singularities in RC filters are proportional to  $1/RC$  factors. Since R and C are marked by non-correlated process variations, the spread in filter characteristic frequencies can be very large (up to 20 %).
- Resistances simulated with switches and capacitors are given by expressions like:

$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{f_{ck} C}$$

where  $f_{ck}$  is the clock frequency. With the small capacitors available on chip it is possible to obtain very large resistors.

# Switched Capacitor resistance: principle

Alternation between position 1 and 2 at the clock frequency  $f_{ck}$

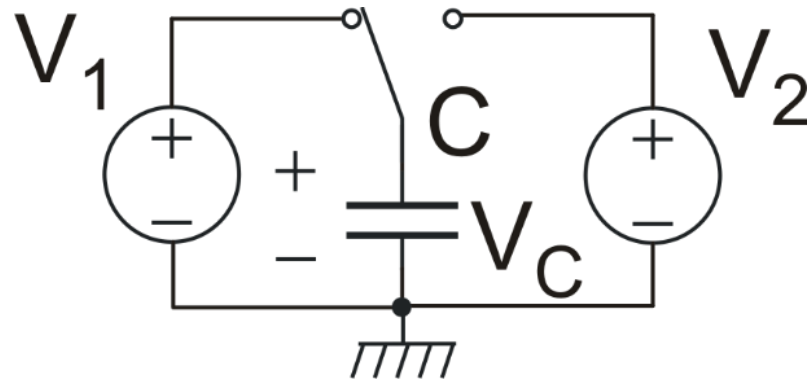


$$\Delta Q_C = C(V_C^{(final)} - V_C^{(initial)})$$

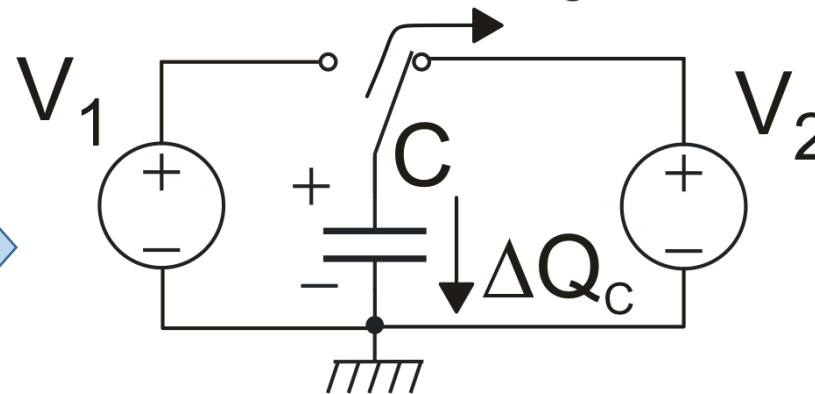
$$-\Delta Q_C = C(V_1 - V_2)$$

$$I_{eq} = -\Delta Q \cdot f_{CK} = Cf_{ck}(V_1 - V_2)$$

Phase 1

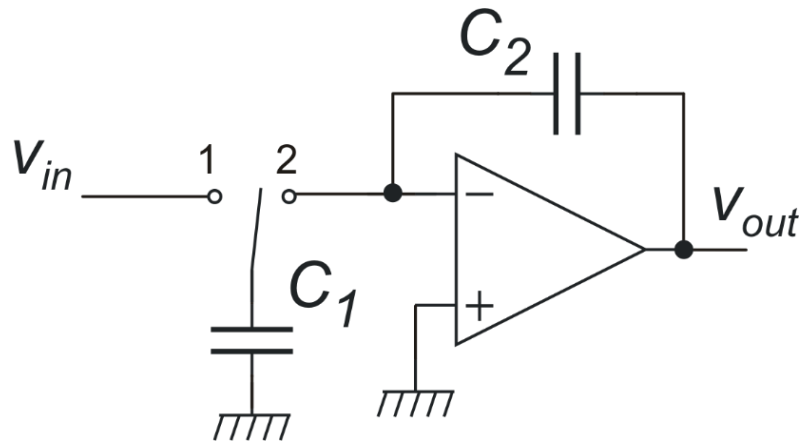


Phase 2

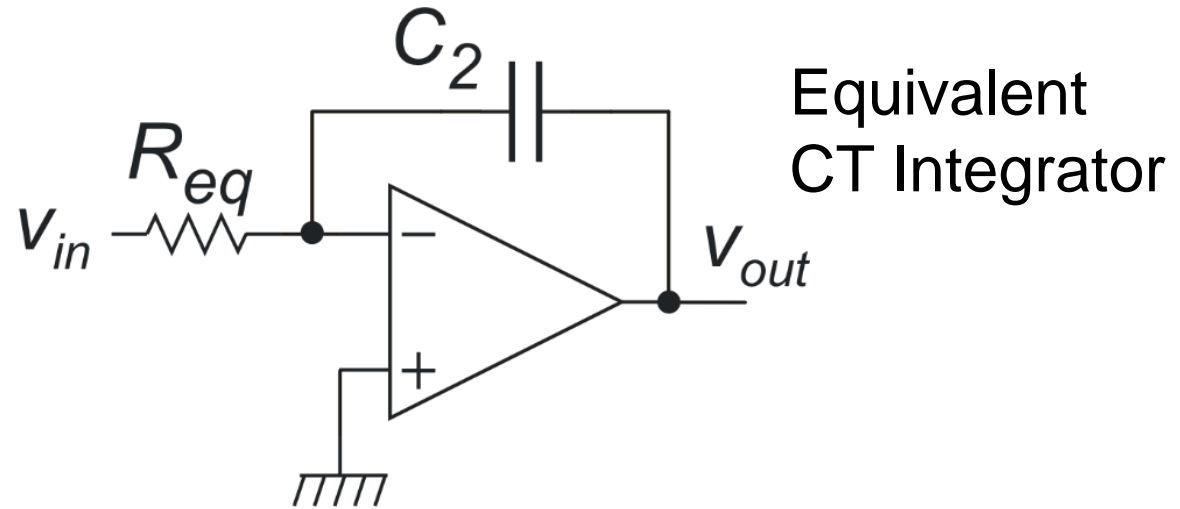


$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{f_{ck} C}$$

# Simple integrator based on SC resistor



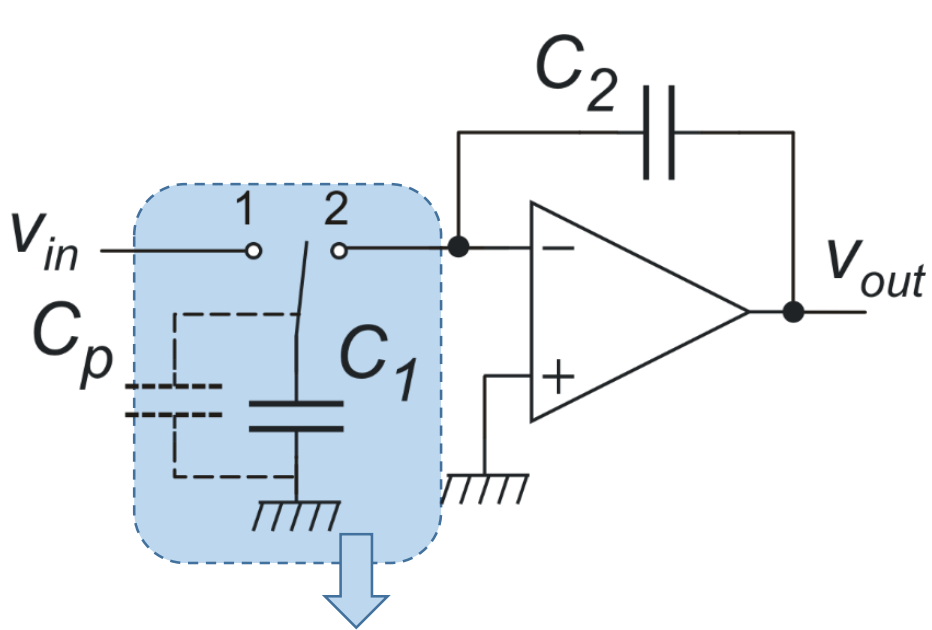
Simple SC integrator



$$V_{out} = -\frac{\omega_0}{s} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1}{R_{eq} C_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} f_{ck}$$

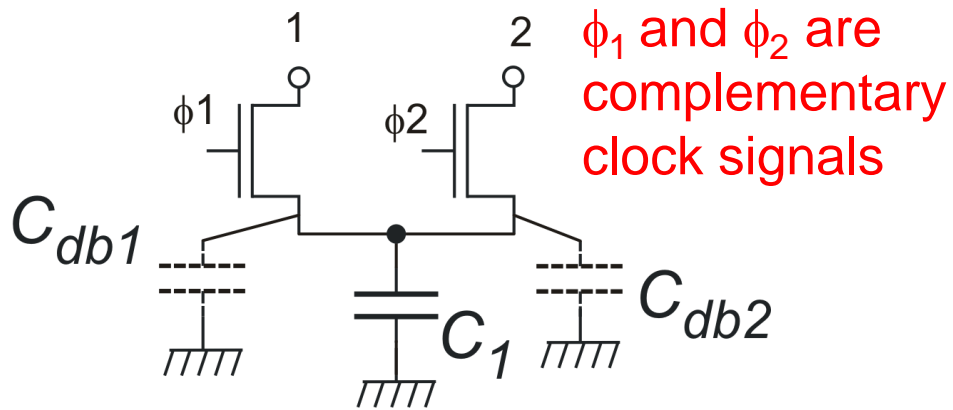
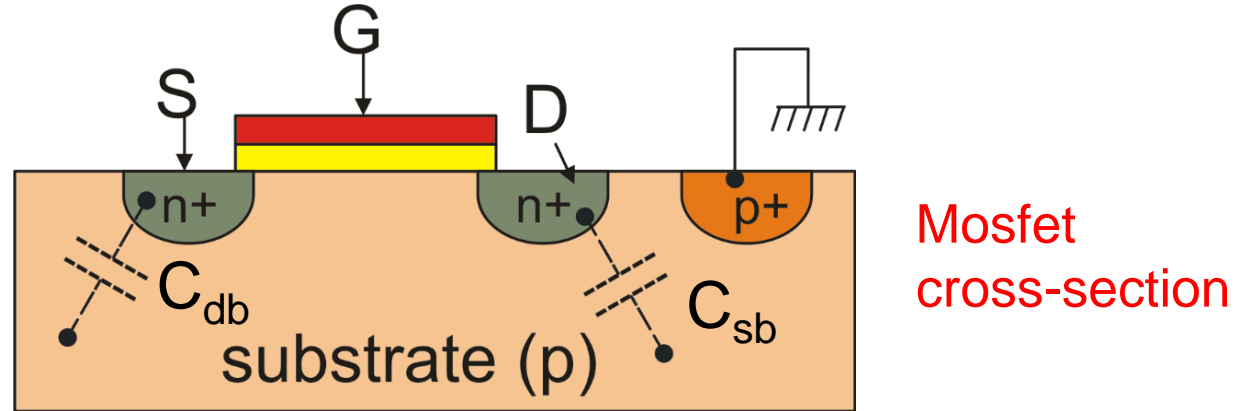
- Important: The unity gain angular frequency of the integrator ( $\omega_0$ ) depends only on capacitance ratios and the clock frequency. Ratios can be fabricated with high precision and accurate frequencies can be obtained from crystal oscillators
- **Filter with precise corner frequencies can be obtained.**

# Effect of parasitic capacitances



$$\omega'_0 = \frac{C_1 + C_p}{C_2} f_{ck}$$

Parasitic capacitance



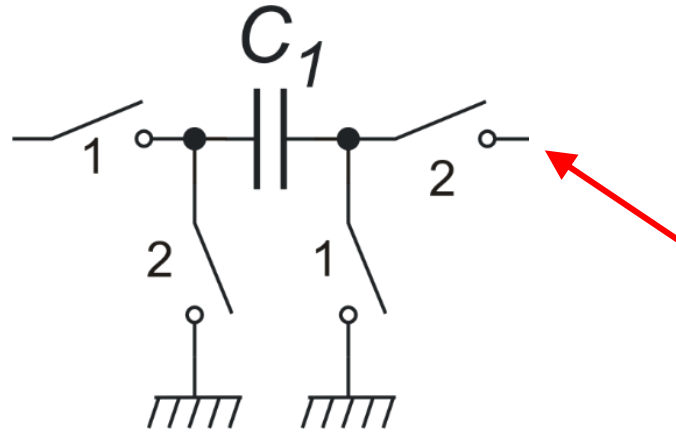
Parasitic capacitances are not well predictable and generally non linear

➡ Inaccuracy of the corner frequencies

➡ Distortion

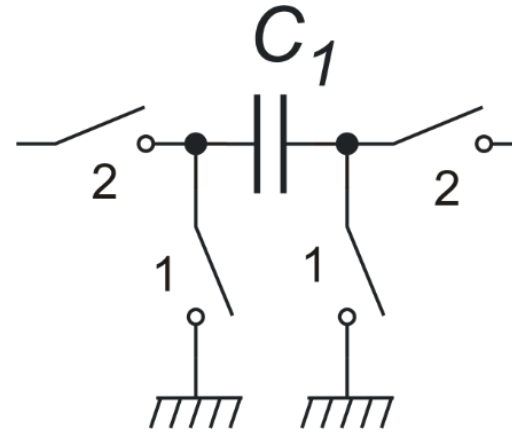
# Parasitic Insensitive (PI) SC integrator

## ➤ Parasitic Insensitive SC resistors

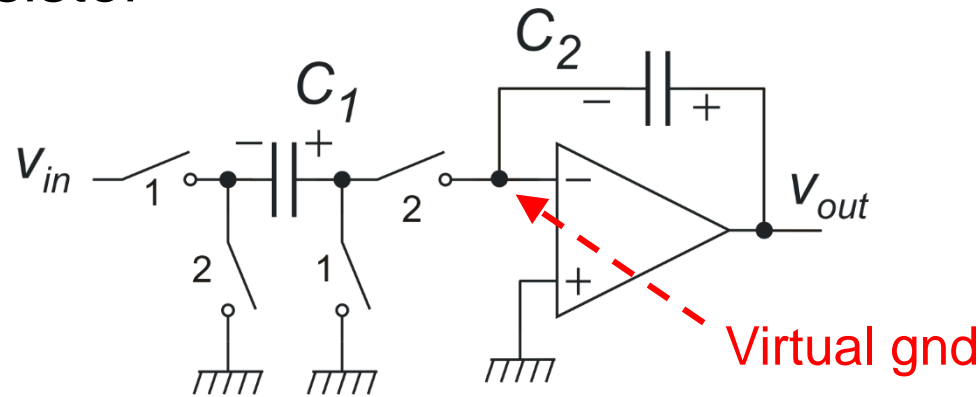


Negative SC resistor

This side should be virtual gnd!



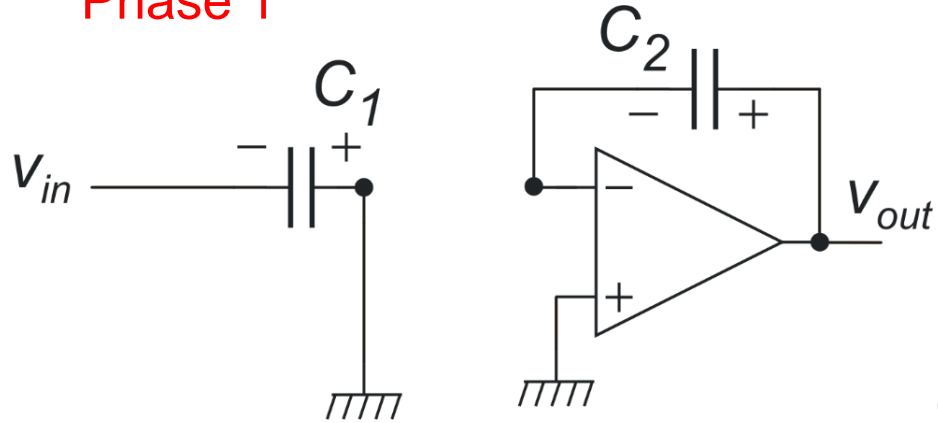
Positive SC resistor



Example: Integrator with negative SC Res.

# Parasitic Insensitive (PI) SC integrator: negative resistor

Phase 1

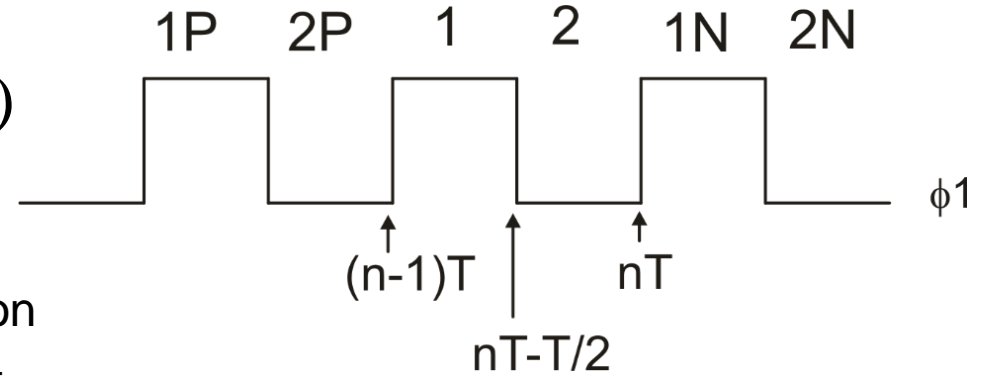


$$V_{C1}^{(1)} = -v_{in}^{(1)}$$

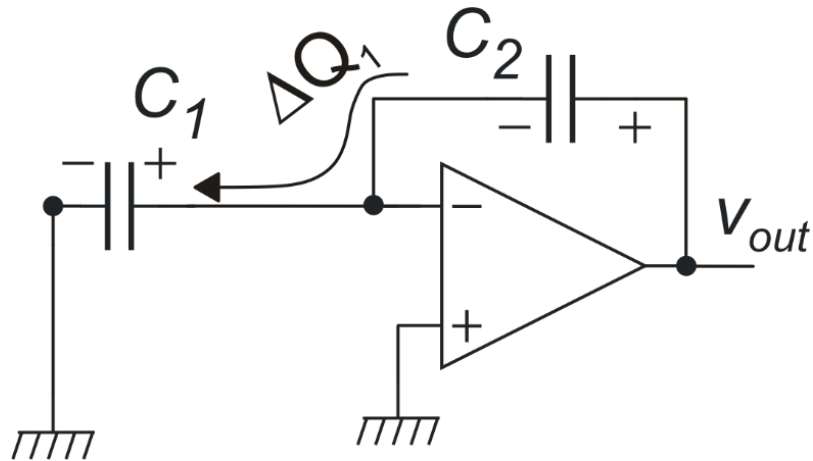
$$V_{C2}^{(1)} = V_{C2}^{(2P)} \quad (\text{hold})$$

In the 1->2 phase transition  $C_1$  is disconnected from  $v_{in}$ , so that  $v_{in}$  is sampled just across the transition.

Clock at frequency  $f_{ck}$



Phase 2



$$V_{C1}^{(2)} = 0$$

$$V_{C2}^{(2)} = V_{C2}^{(2P)} + \frac{\Delta Q_{C1}}{C_2}$$

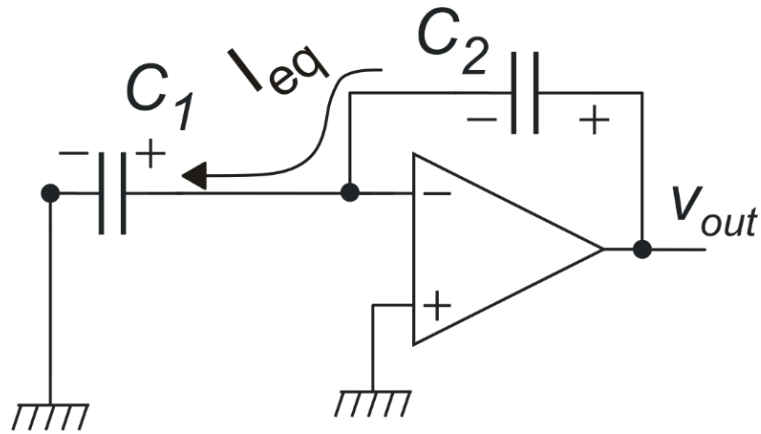
$$\Delta Q_{C1} = C_1 (V_{C1}^{(2)} - V_{C1}^{(1)}) = v_{in}^{(1)} C_1$$

$$V_{out}^{(2)} = V_{out}^{(2P)} + \frac{C_1}{C_2} v_{in}^{(1)}$$

$$V_{out} = V_{C2}$$

# Negative resistor: equivalent currents

Phase 2

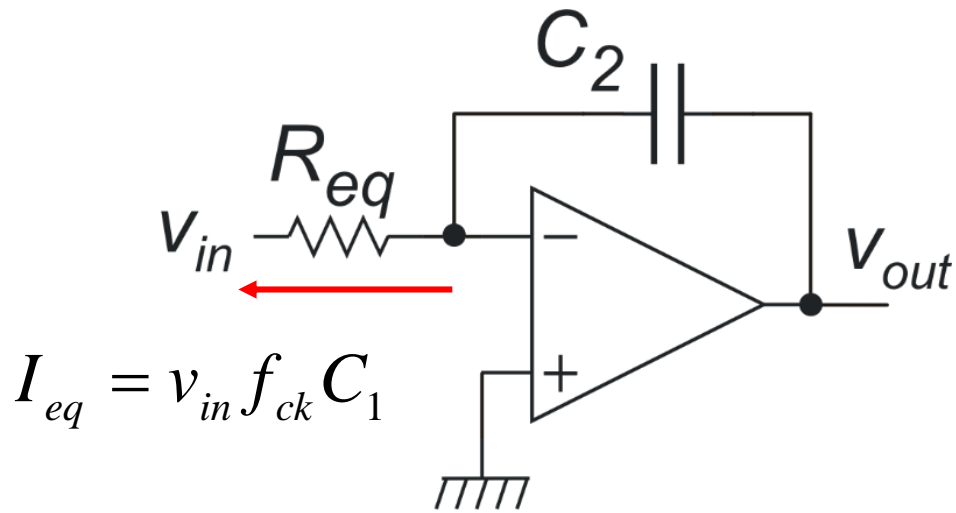


$$\Delta Q_{C_1} = v_{in}^{(1)} C_1$$

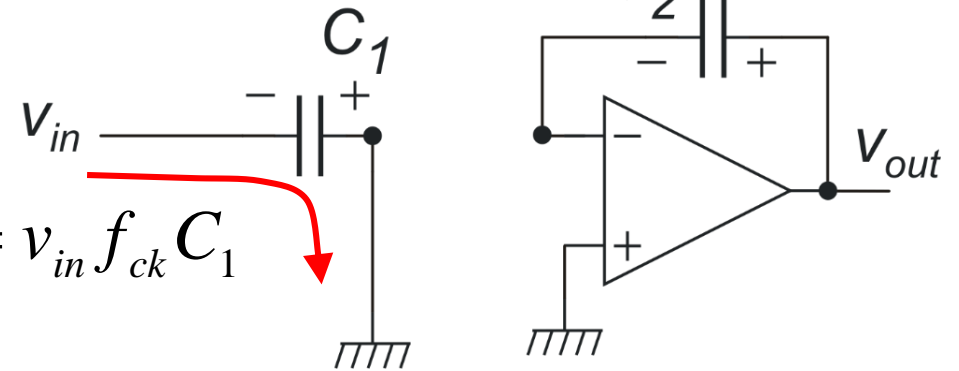
$$I_{eq} = f_{CK} \Delta Q_{C_1} = v_{in} f_{ck} C_1$$

$$R_{eq} = -\frac{1}{f_{ck} C_1} < 0$$

In terms of charge delivered to the amplifier



$$I_{eq} = v_{in} f_{ck} C_1$$



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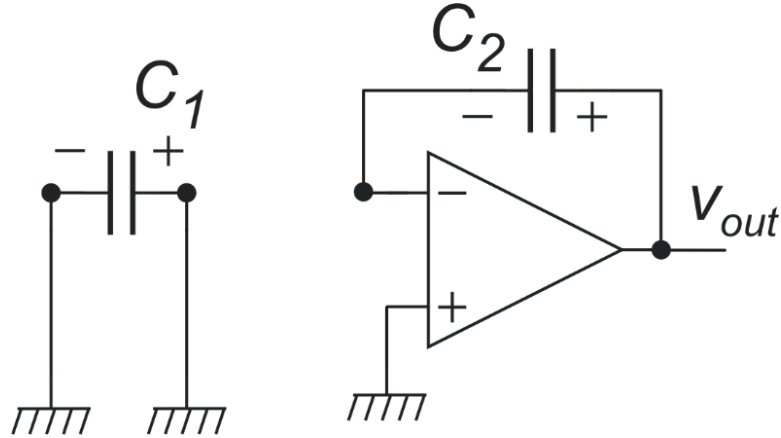
$$R_{eq} = \frac{1}{f_{ck} C_1} > 0$$

Seen by the source  $v_{in}$



# Parasitic Insensitive (PI) SC integrator: positive resistor

Phase 1



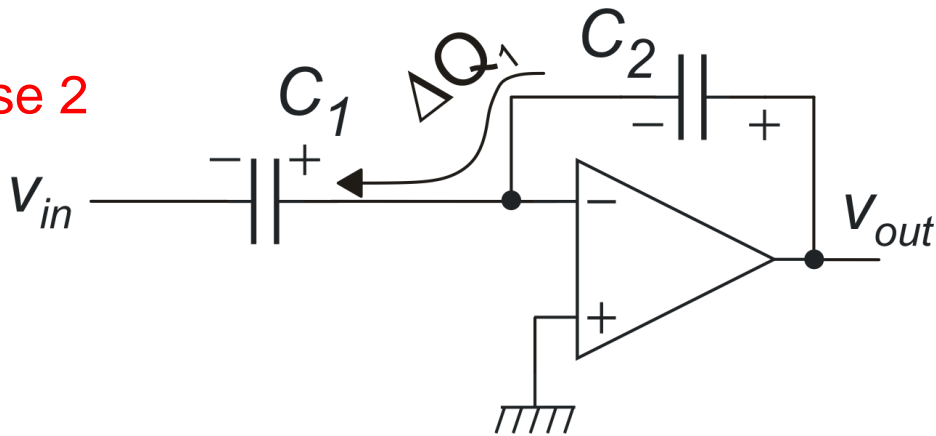
$$V_{C1}^{(1)} = 0$$

$$V_{C2}^{(1)} = V_{C2}^{(2P)} \text{ (hold)}$$

Note:  $V_{out}$  is sampled at the end of phase 2, when  $C_1$  is disconnected from  $v_{in}$ . In this same instant, together with  $V_{out}$ , we sample also  $v_{in}$

$$V_{out}^{(2)} = V_{out}^{(2P)} - \frac{C_1}{C_2} v_{in}^{(2)}$$

Phase 2



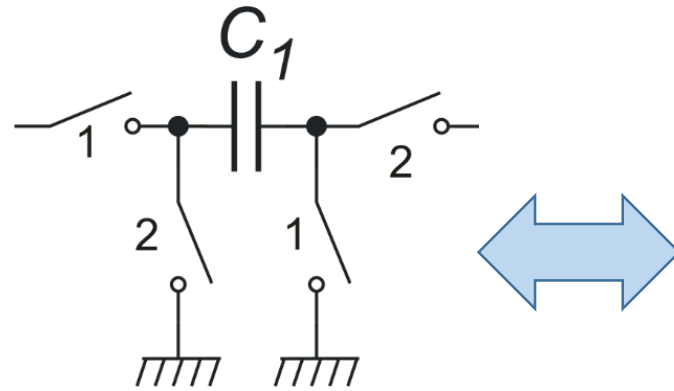
$$V_{C1}^{(2)} = -v_{in}^{(2)}$$

$$V_{C2}^{(2)} = V_{C2}^{(2P)} + \frac{\Delta Q_{C1}}{C_2}$$

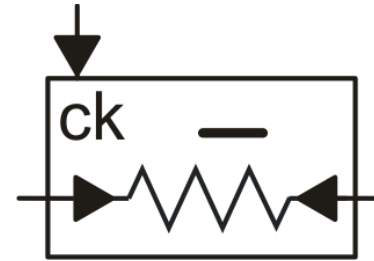
$$\Delta Q_{C1} = C_1 (V_{C1}^{(2)} - V_{C1}^{(1)}) = -v_{in}^{(2)} C_1$$

# PI-SC resistors: symbols used in this course

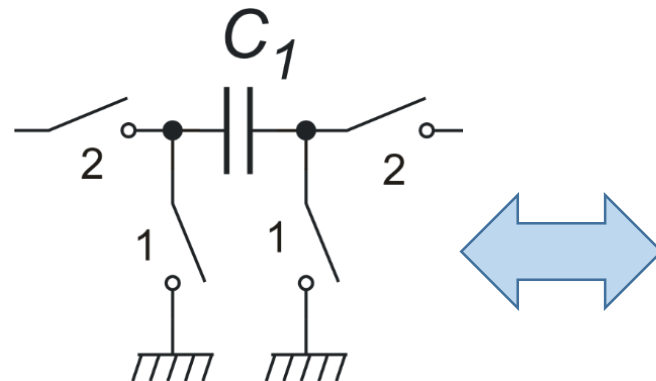
Negative resistor



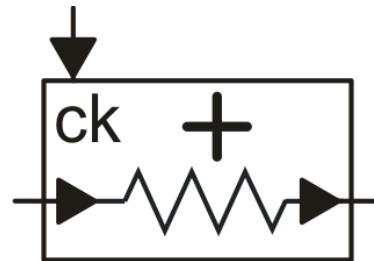
Clock at frequency  $f_{ck}$



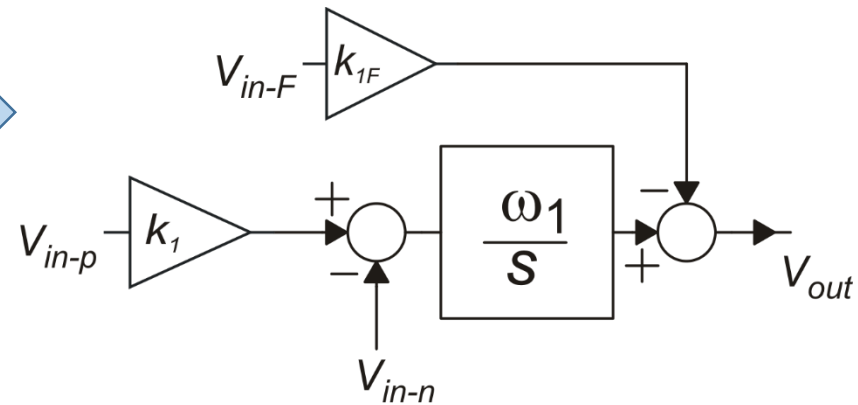
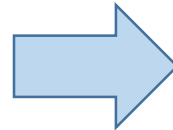
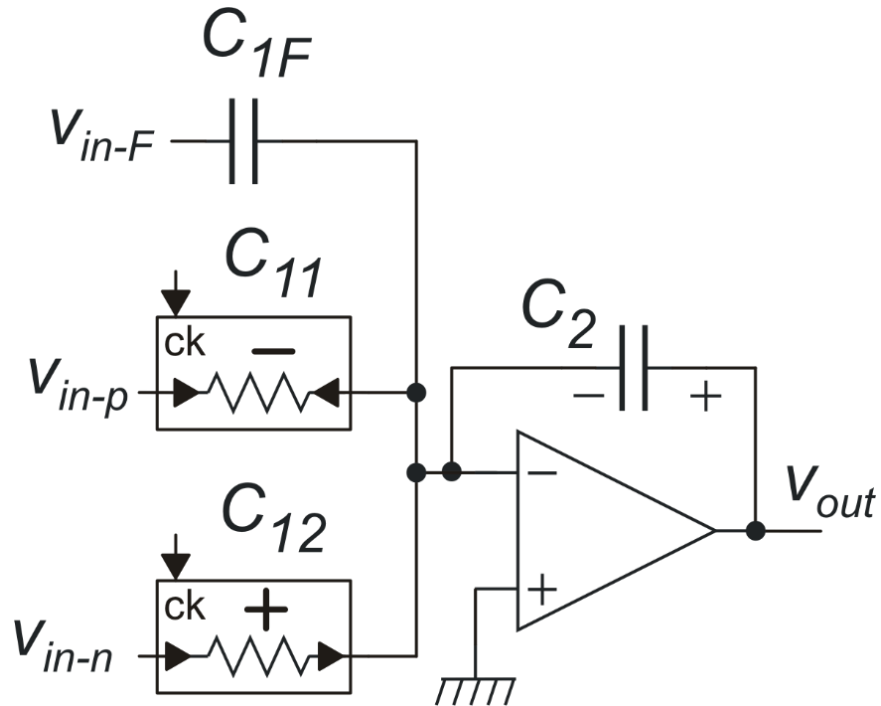
Positive resistor



Clock at frequency  $f_{ck}$



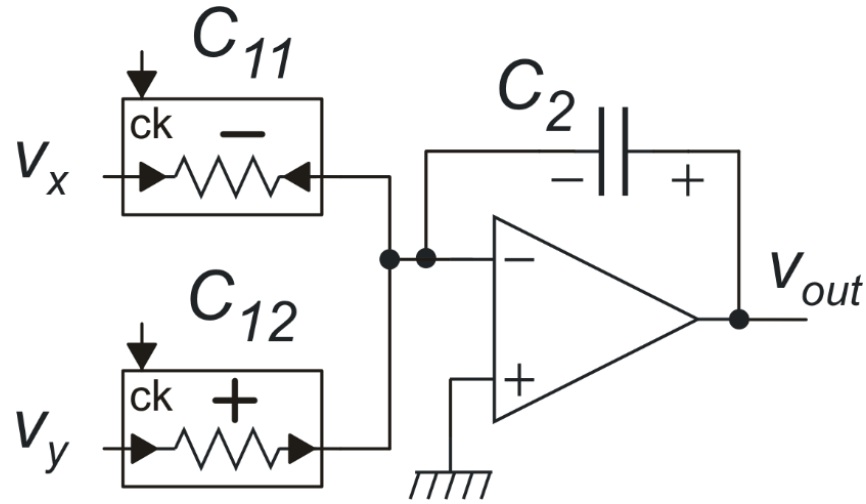
# Example 1: versatile integrator



$$\omega_1 = f \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} \quad k_1 = \frac{C_{11}}{C_{12}} \quad k_{1F} = \frac{C_{1F}}{C_2}$$

Note this approximation is valid just when the equivalent resistance model is valid  
i.e. for  $f \ll f_{ck} = f_s$

# Discrete time nature of SC filters: Integrator



$$V_{out}^{(2)} = V_{out}^{(2P)} + \frac{C_1}{C_2} v_{in}^{(1)} \quad \text{negative res. non-inverting}$$

$$V_{out}^{(2)} = V_{out}^{(2P)} - \frac{C_1}{C_2} v_{in}^{(2)} \quad \text{positive res. inverting}$$

$$V_{out}(nT) = V_{out}[(n-1)T] - \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} v_y(nT) + \frac{C_{11}}{C_2} v_x\left(nT - \frac{T}{2}\right)$$

defining

$$v_{xD}(t) \equiv v_x\left(t - \frac{T}{2}\right)$$

$$V_{out}(n) = V_{out}(n-1) - \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} v_y(n) + \frac{C_{11}}{C_2} v_{xD}(n)$$

# Discrete time nature of SC filters: Integrator

$$V_{out}(n) = V_{out}(n-1) - \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} v_y(n) + \frac{C_{11}}{C_2} v_{xD}(n)$$

$$V_{out}(z) = z^{-1}V_{out}(z) - \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} V_y(z) + \frac{C_{11}}{C_2} V_{xD}(z)$$

$$V_{out}(z) = \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} \frac{C_{12}}{C_2} V_y(z) + \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} \frac{C_{11}}{C_2} V_{xD}(z)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z-1}$$

Backward Euler DT integrator  
(non-delayed integrator)

Compare with:

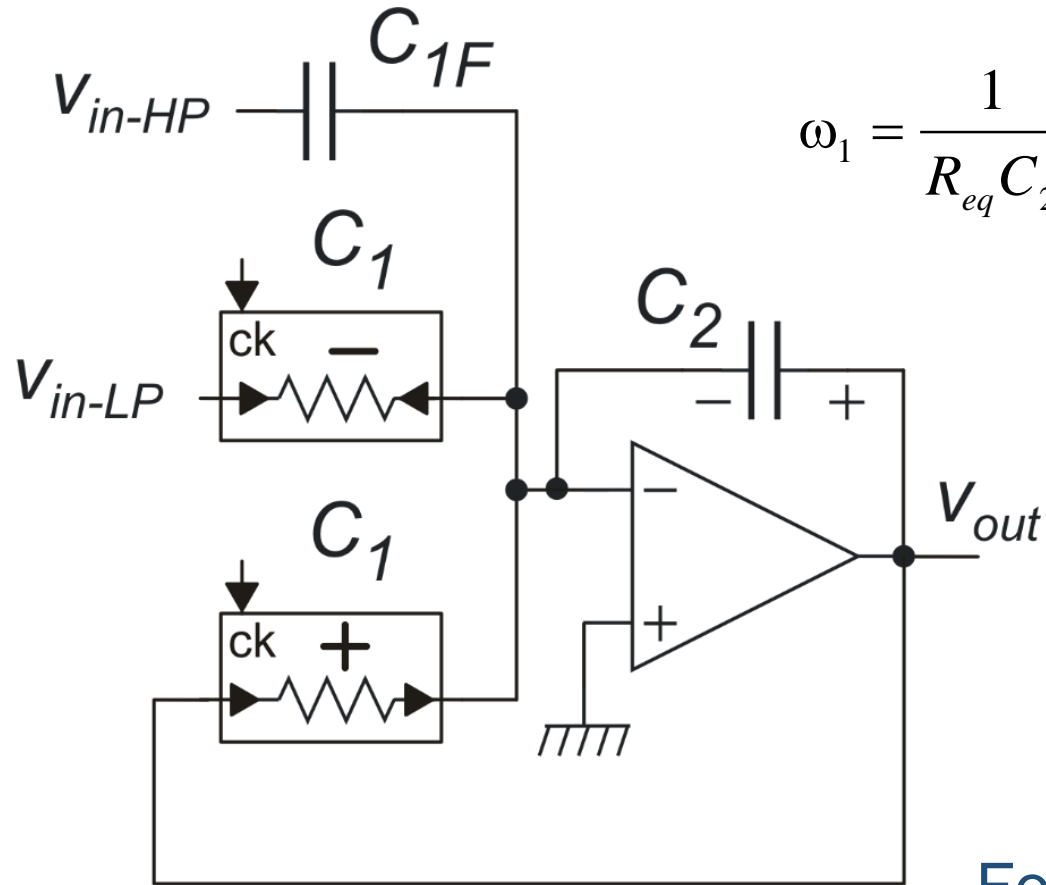
$$H(z) = \frac{z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}} = \frac{1}{z-1}$$

Standard (forward) Euler DT integrator  
(delayed form)

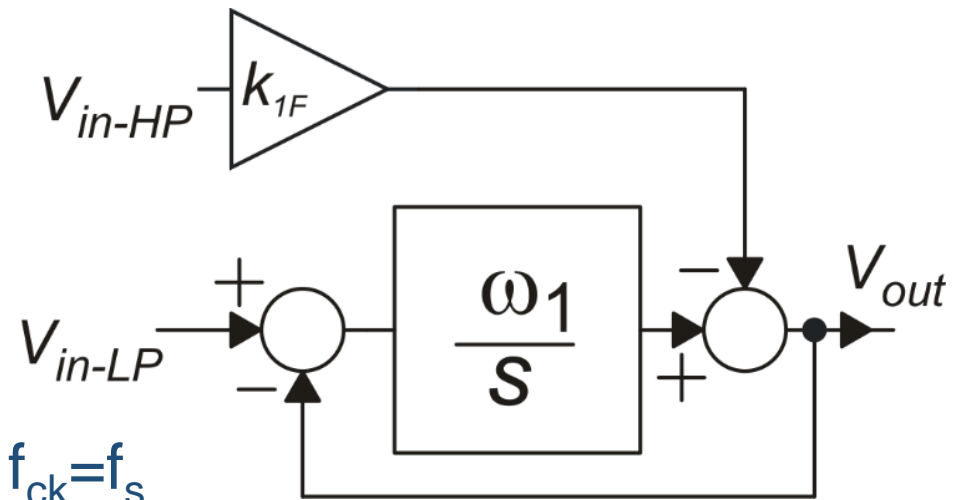
# Example 2 First order filter

$$V_{out} = \frac{\omega_1}{s + \omega_1} V_{in-LP} - \frac{sk_{1F}}{s + \omega_1} V_{in-HP}$$

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{R_{eq} C_2} = f_{ck} \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

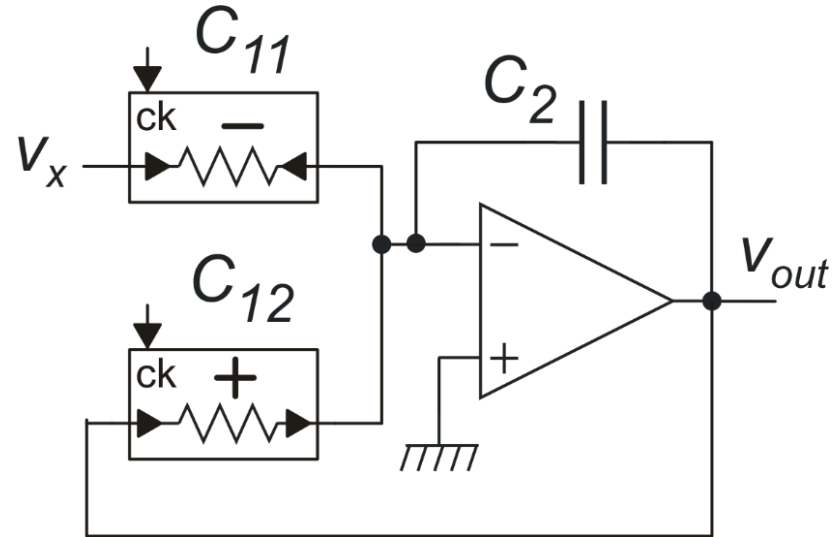


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For  $f \ll f_{ck} = f_s$

# First order filter: discrete time nature



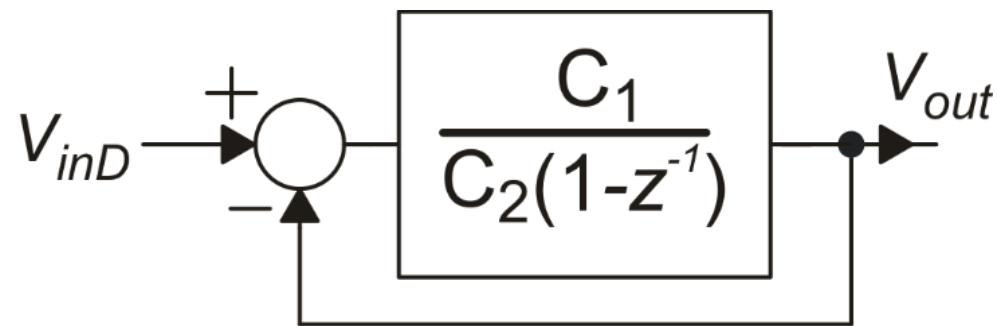
$$V_{out}(z) = \frac{k_C}{1 - z^{-1}} v_{inD}(z) - \frac{k_C}{1 - z^{-1}} V_{out}(z)$$

$$V_{out}(z) = \frac{k_C}{(1 + k_C) - z^{-1}} v_{inD}(z)$$

$$z_p = \frac{1}{1 + k_C}$$

$$0 < z_p < 1$$

always stable !



Step response  $V_{out}(n) = (1 - z_p^n) u(n)$

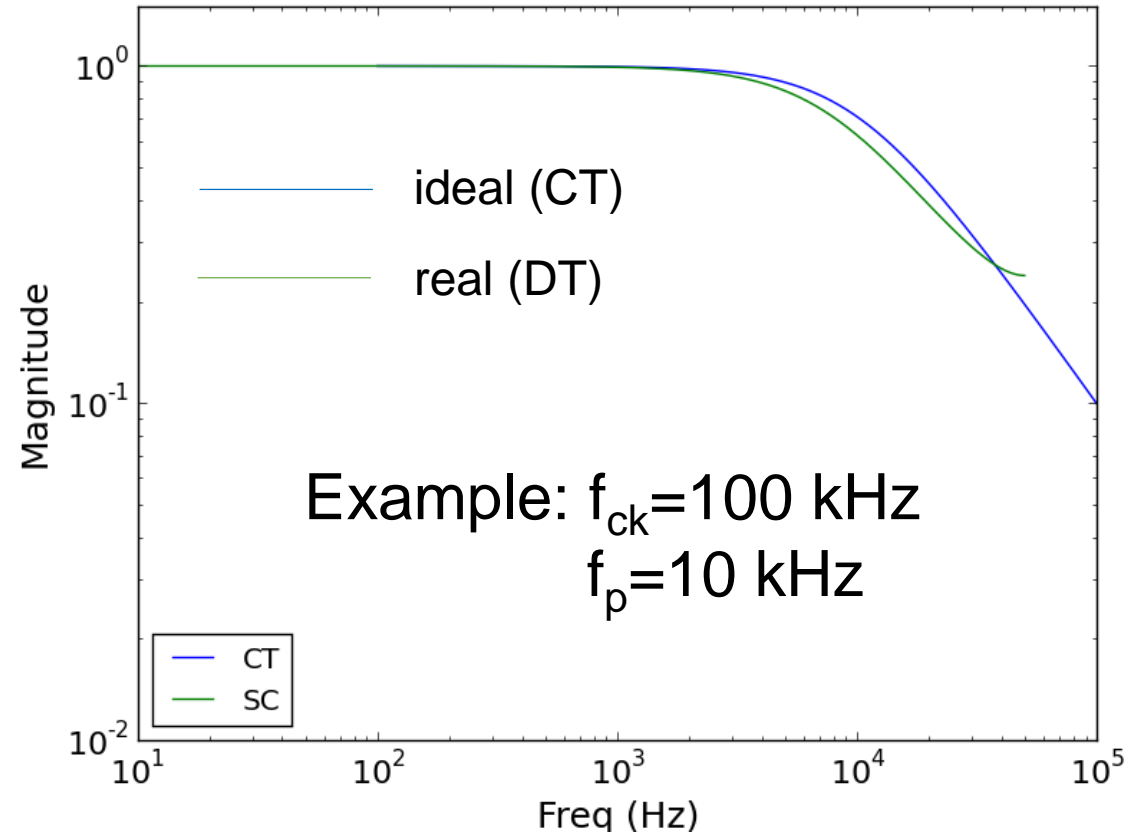
always monotonic !

# First order LP filter: frequency response

$$z^{-1} = e^{-j\omega T} \cong 1 - j\omega T$$

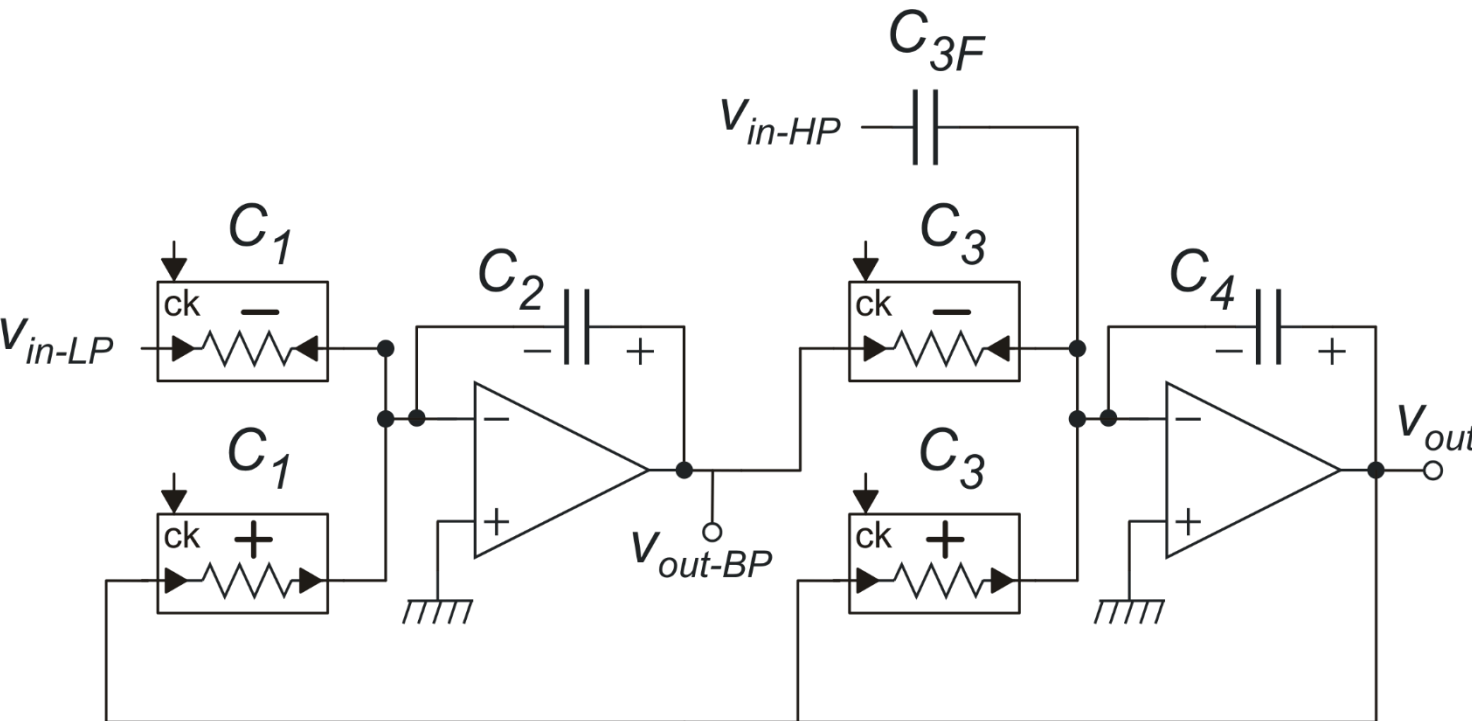
$$H(e^{j\omega T}) \cong \frac{k_C}{k_C + j\omega T} e^{-j\omega T/2}$$

$$\omega_p = \frac{k_C}{T} = f_{ck} \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$



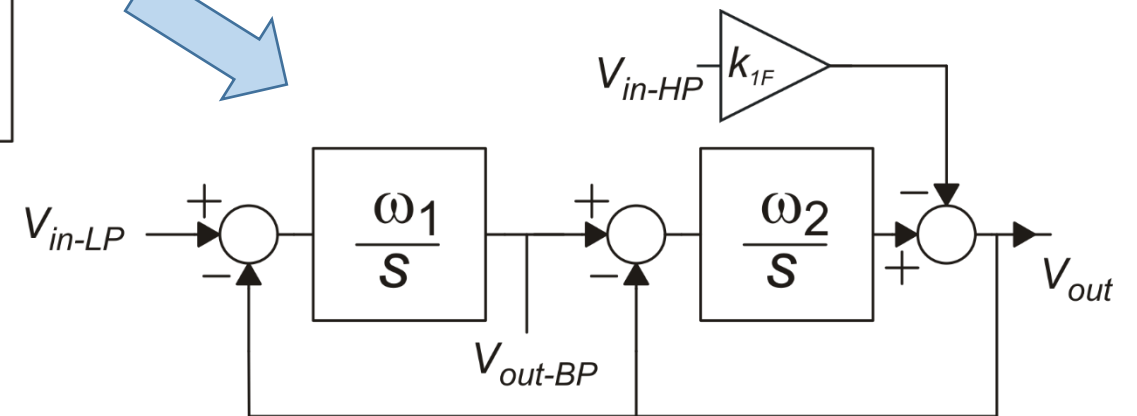


# Example 3: Universal SC Biquad Filter



$$\omega_P = \sqrt{\omega_1 \omega_2} \quad Q_P = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}}$$

Approximation for  
 $f \ll f_{ck} = f_s$



$$\omega_1 = f_{ck} \frac{C_1}{C_2} \quad \omega_2 = f_{ck} \frac{C_3}{C_4} \quad k_{1F} = \frac{C_{3F}}{C_4}$$