
Fundamentals of Time-Interleaved ADCs

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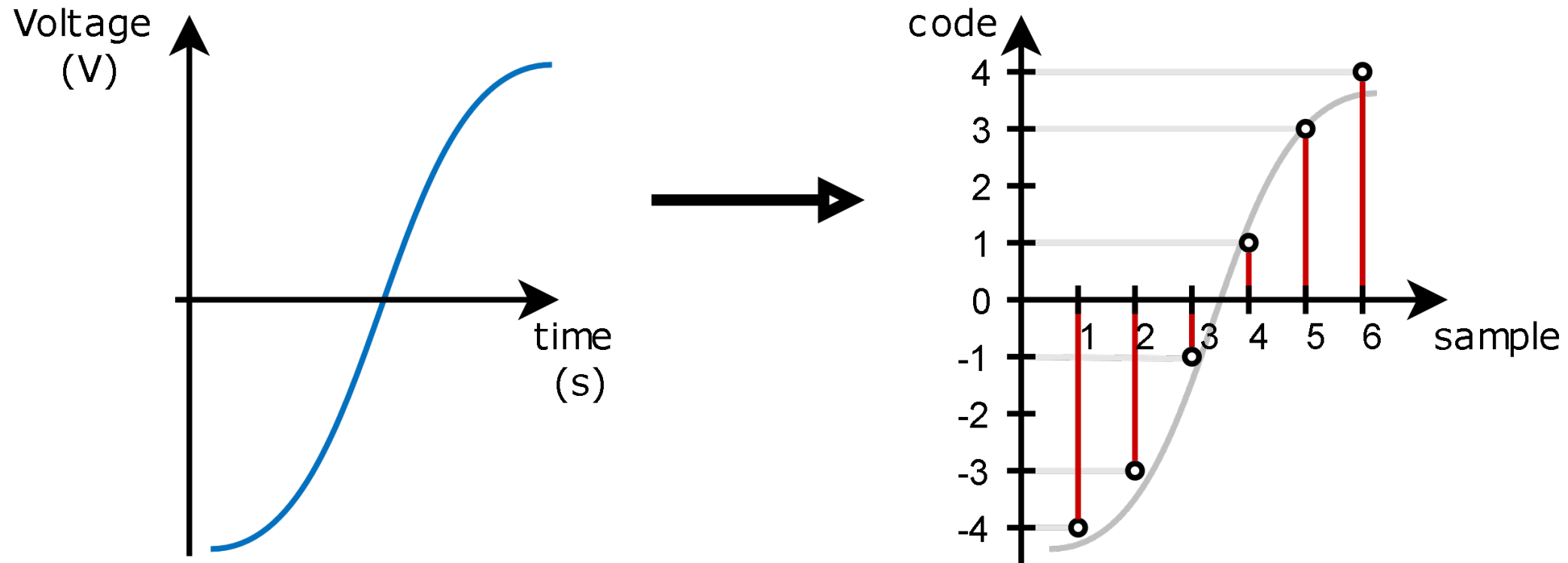
Abstract

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 - In recent years, time-interleaving analog-to-digital converters (ADCs) has become more popular, especially for high sample rate applications such as wireline communications
 - This tutorial will cover the fundamentals of time-interleaved sampling, including an introduction to aliasing and an explanation of how mismatch in time-interleaved architectures can cause aliasing artifacts to appear
 - Practical methods to implement time-interleaved ADCs and combat these mismatch-induced effects will also be presented
- Motivation for time-interleaving
 - ADC design is a tradeoff between speed, accuracy and power
 - Time-interleaving gives an extra degree of freedom
 - Allows us to design a high-accuracy ADC with faster speed
 - Allows us to design a high-speed ADC with lower power

Outline

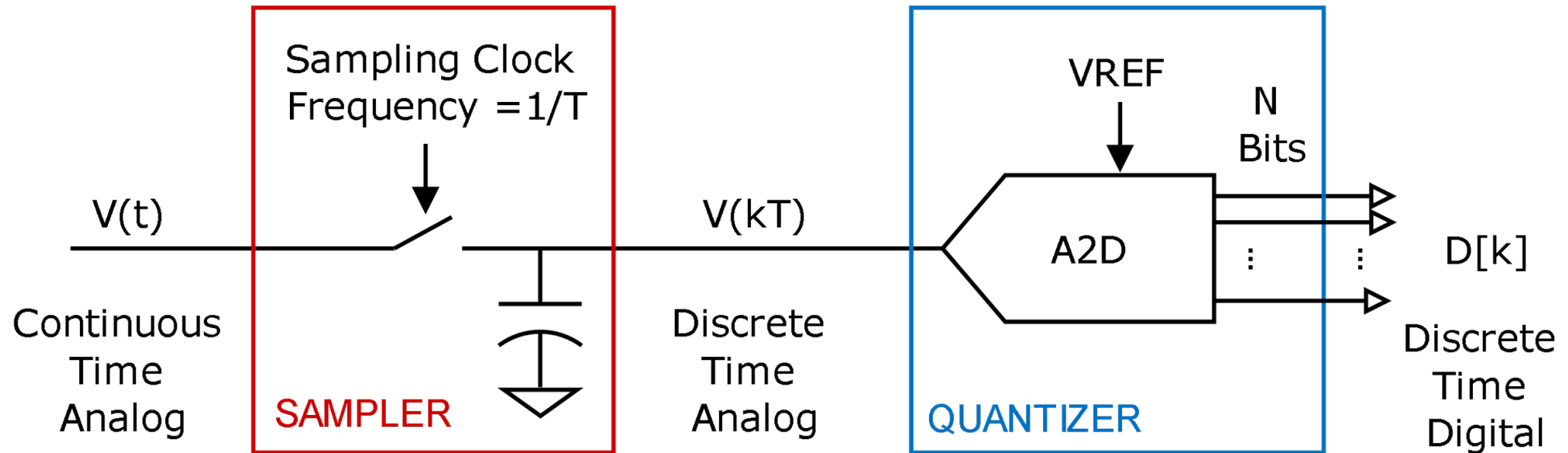
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What is an Analog-to-Digital Converter



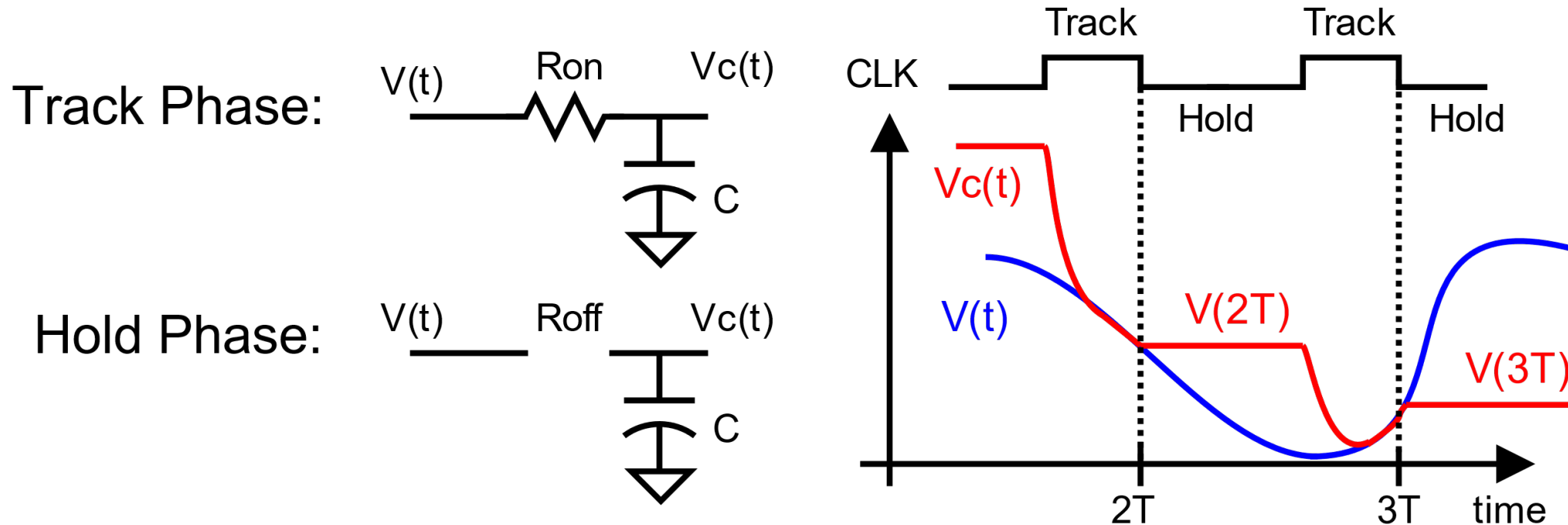
- Converts from an **Analog** signal to a **Digital** signal
 - Defined only at discrete points in time (**Sampled**)
 - Has only a discrete number of possible values (**Quantized**)

ADC Structure



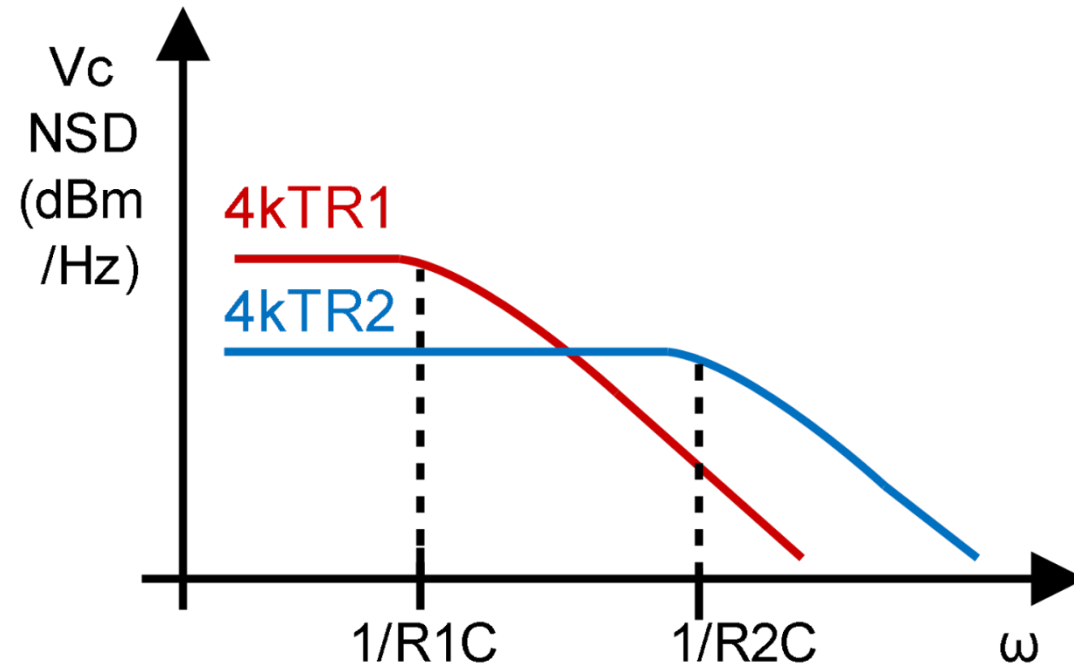
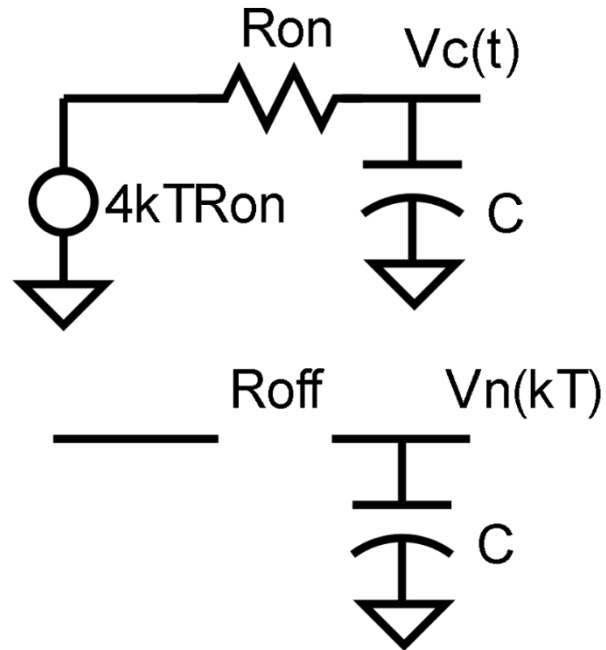
- Sampler (Track-and-Hold)
 - Samples the continuous signal $V(t)$ once per sample period T
 - Holds the voltage $V(kT)$ until the next sample time
- Quantizer
 - Converts held voltage $V(kT)$ to digital form $D[k]$
 - Calculates ratio of held voltage to reference voltage $V_{REF} \Rightarrow D[k] \approx V(kT)/V_{REF}$

Track-and-Hold Sampler (T/H)



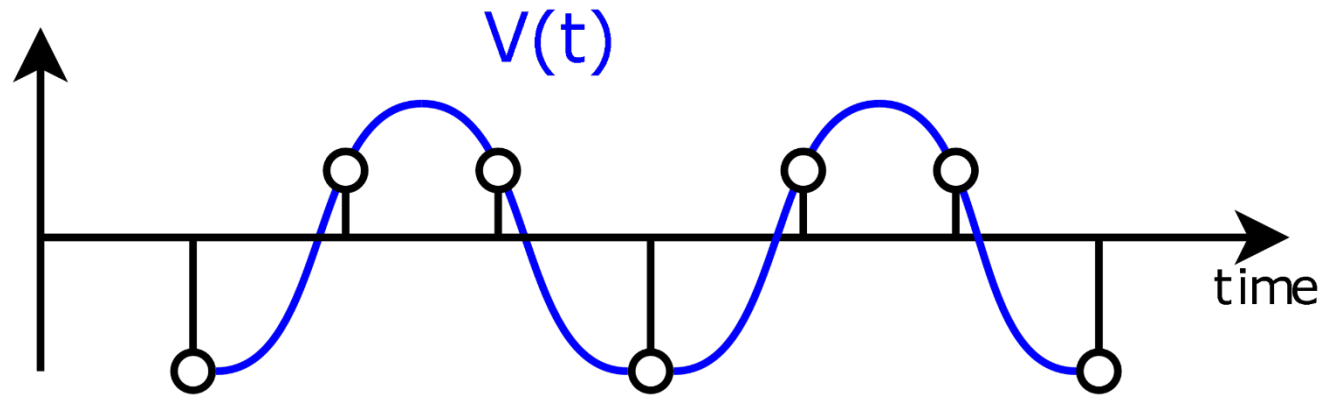
- Simple operation in principle
 - Close switch to **track** input – switch resistance is R_{on}
 - Open switch to **hold** sample – switch resistance is R_{off}
- Time constant = $R_{on}C \Rightarrow$ Fast if C is small and R_{on} is low

Sampling Noise of T/H



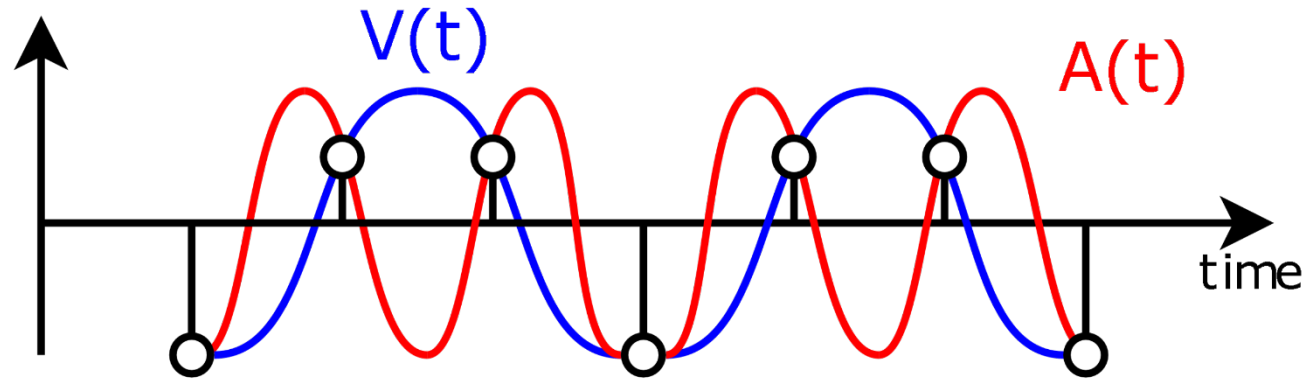
- Noise Spectral Density (NSD) of switch $R_{on} = 4kTR_{on}$
 - Large $R_{on}=R1 \Rightarrow$ Higher NSD, Lower integrating bandwidth $1/R1C$
 - Small $R_{on}=R2 \Rightarrow$ Lower NSD, Higher integrating bandwidth $1/R2C$
- RMS value of sampled noise $= \sqrt{kT/C}$ independent of R_{on}

Sampling Theory



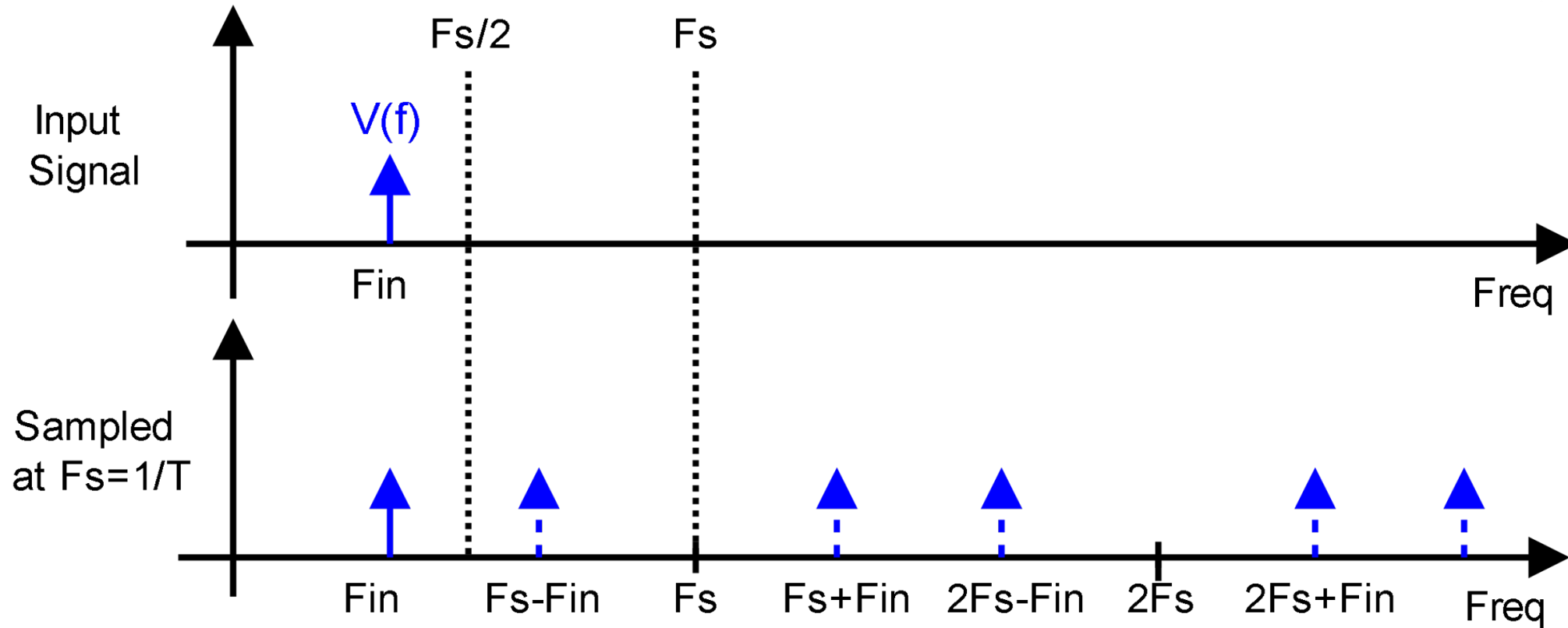
- Consider a signal $V(t)$ sampled uniformly at $F_s=1/T$
- Can we reconstruct $V(t)$ from just the samples $V(kT)$?
 - Nyquist theory says we can!
- But is this the only solution?

Aliasing



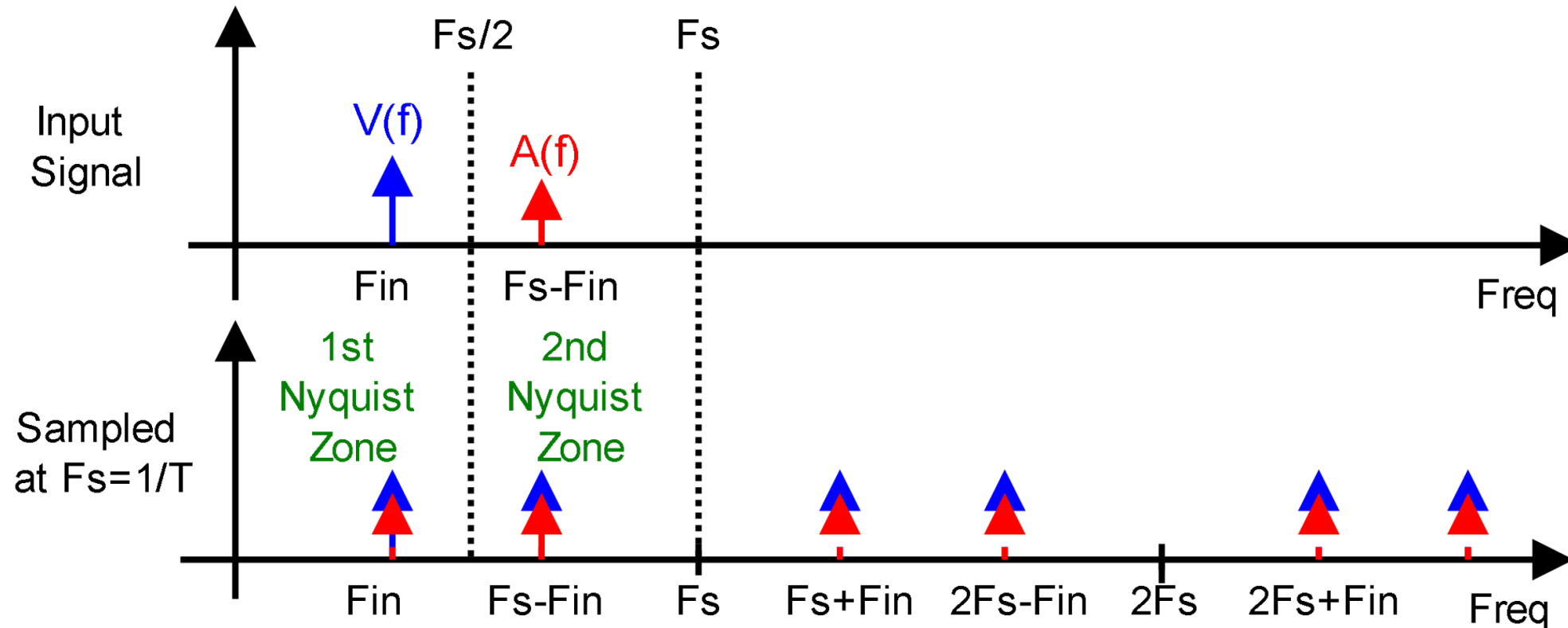
- No, $A(t)$ is also a solution!
- Set of samples $V(kT)$ coincide with both $V(t)$ and $A(t)$
 - $V(t)$ and $A(t)$ are both *Aliases* of each other
- No way to tell which was the original waveform
 - Need another piece of information

Aliasing in the Frequency Domain



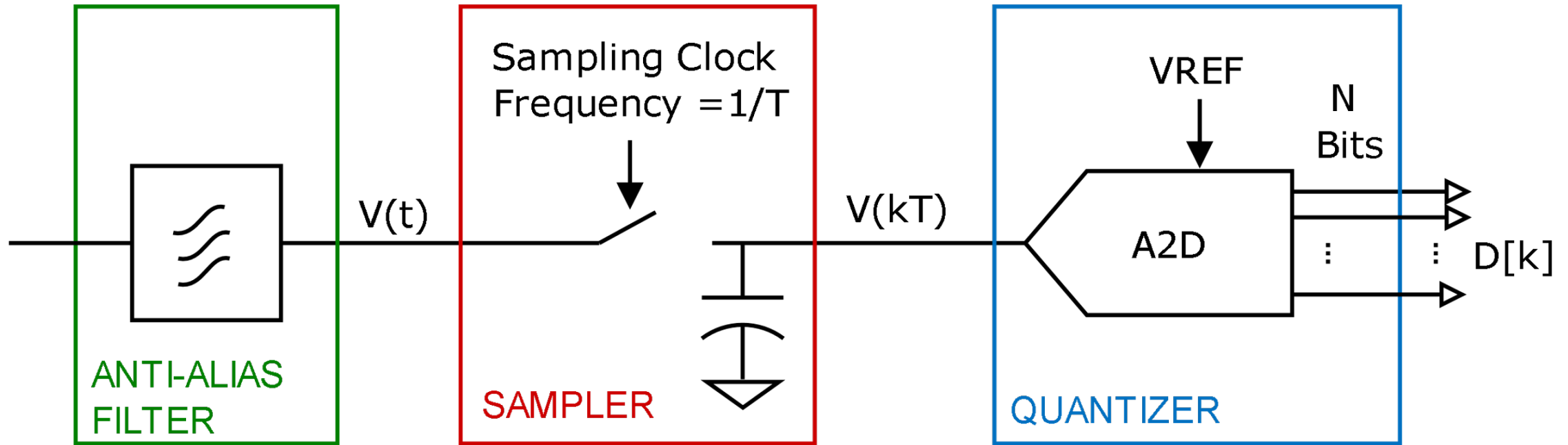
- Input signal $V(t)$ is a sinewave of frequency $F_{in} < F_s/2$
- Aliases Occur at $N \cdot F_s \pm F_{in}$ for every integer N

Aliasing in the Frequency Domain



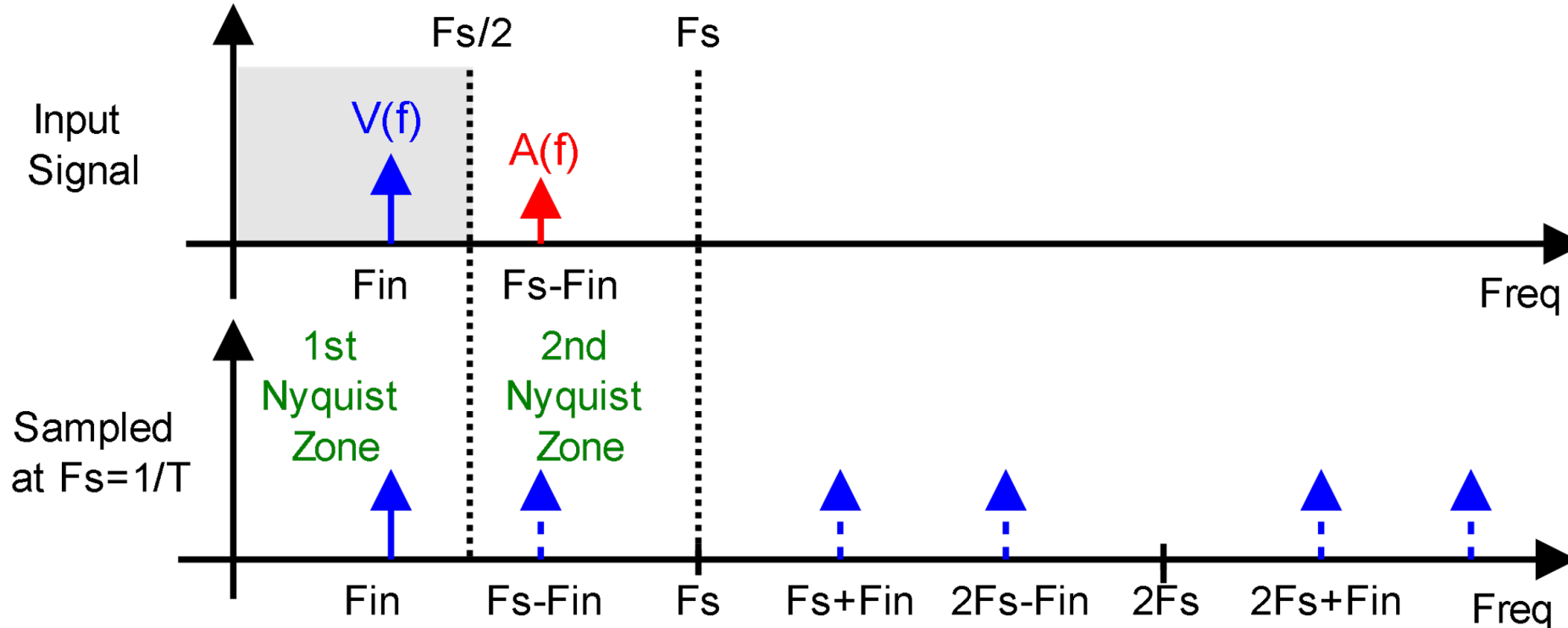
- What if input signal has component $A(f)$ at Frequency $F_s - F_{in}$?
- Aliases of $V(f)$ and $A(f)$ coincide – cannot distinguish

Anti-Alias Filter



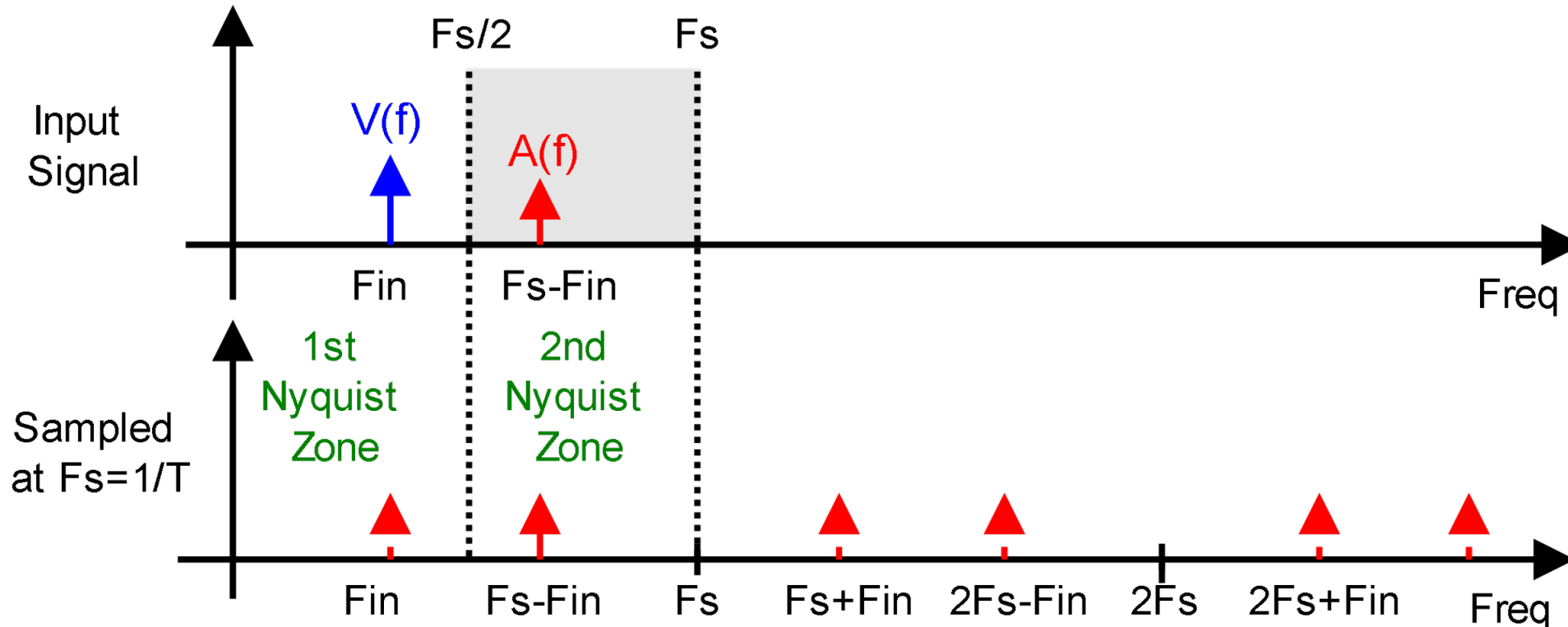
- Real ADC systems always include an anti-alias filter
 - Or some way the input signal is limited to a single Nyquist zone
- E.g. a passive filter on a board, or an active filter on-chip

Low-pass Anti-Aliasing Filter



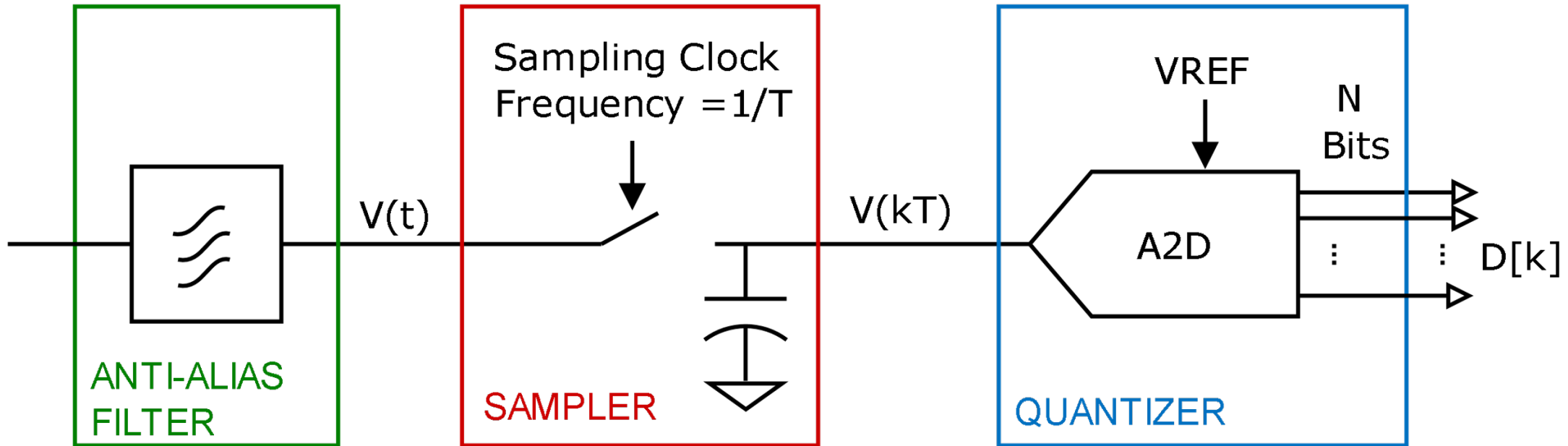
- Add a Low-pass Anti-Alias filter (AAF) before the sampler
 - Selects 1st Nyquist zone by suppressing all frequencies $> F_s/2$
- We can reconstruct the input signal $V(t)$ without $A(f)$

Band-pass Anti-Aliasing Filter



- But what if we wanted $A(f)$ not $V(f)$?
- Add a Band-pass Anti-Alias filter before the sampler
 - Selects 2nd Nyquist Zone by suppressing all frequencies $> F_s/2$ and $< F_s$

Quantizer



- Converts held voltage $V(kT)$ to N -bit digital code $D[k]$
 - Compare $V(kT)$ to V_{REF} so $D[k] \approx V(kT)/V_{REF}$
 - Quantizer Error $Q(kT) = D[k] \cdot V_{REF} - V(kT)$
- Many different architectures
 - Choice depends on requirements for resolution, power, speed, latency

Quantizer Resolution

□ Number of bits (N)

- Literally, the number of bits in the output code of the quantizer
- Measure of *precision*, not accuracy

□ Signal-to-Noise and Distortion Ratio (SNDR)

$$SNDR = \log_{10} \frac{\text{Signal Power}}{\text{Noise} + \text{Distortion Power}} = \log_{10} \frac{E[V^2(kT)]}{E[Q^2(kT)]}$$

- Measure of *accuracy* of the conversion

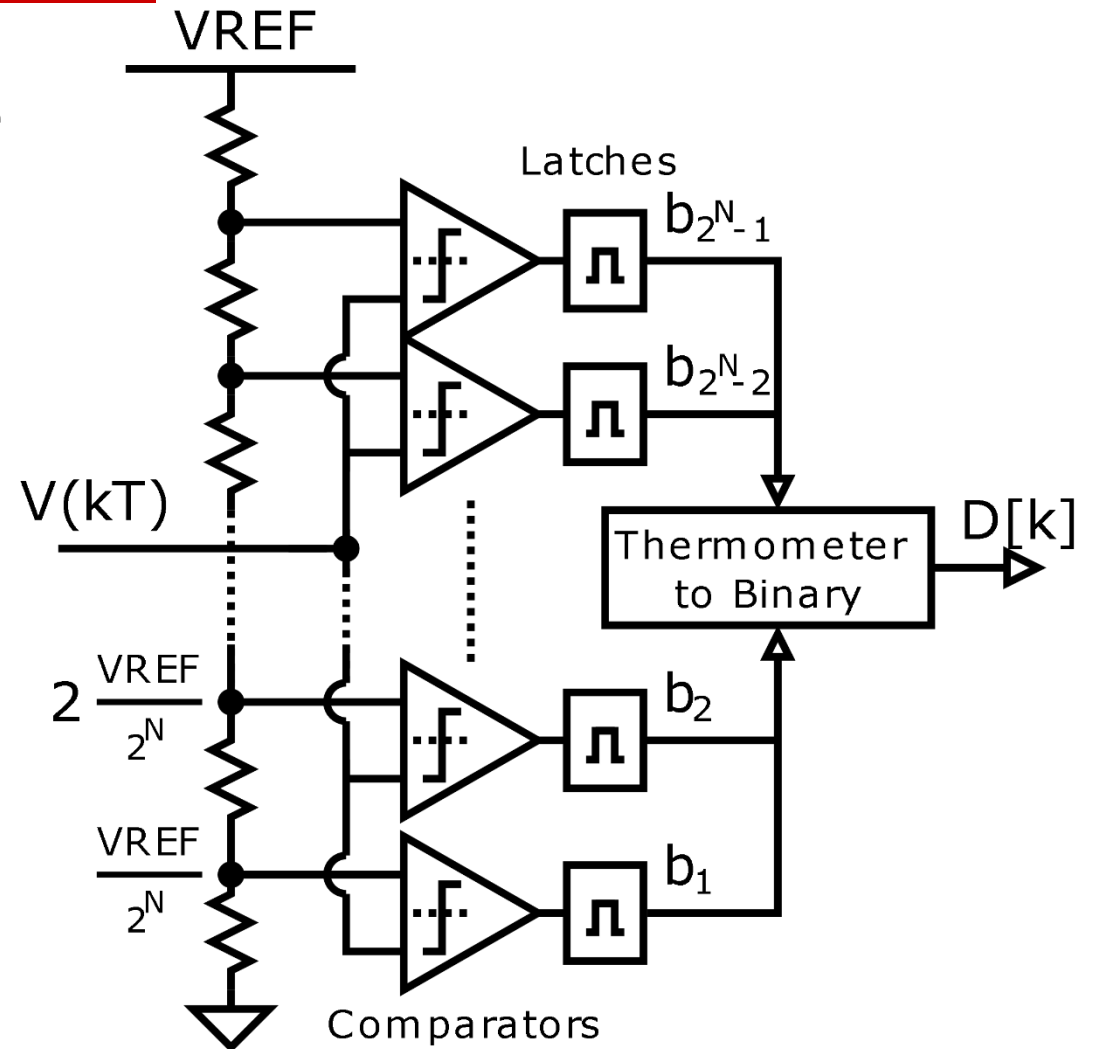
□ Effective Number of Bits (ENOB)

$$ENOB = \frac{SNDR - 1.76}{6.02}$$

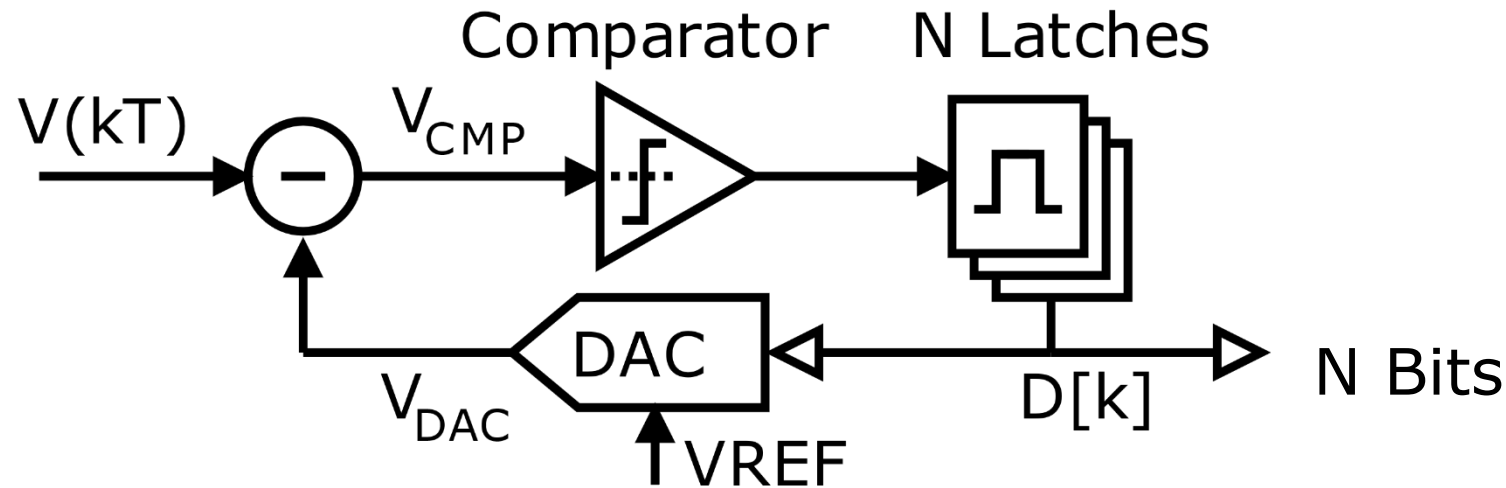
- ENOB is number of bits an *ideal* quantizer needs for this SNDR
- $ENOB \leq N$ for all non-ideal quantizers

Flash ADC

- Compares to $2^N - 1$ levels at once
 - Stores $2^N - 1$ decisions b_n in latches
 - Converts to N-bit binary code $D[k]$
- Single operation
 - Very fast
- Requires $2^N - 1$ comparators
 - 63 comparators for 6-bit ADC
 - 1023 comparators for 10-bit ADC
- Good for 4-6 bit resolution
- Too much power, area and input load for >7 bits

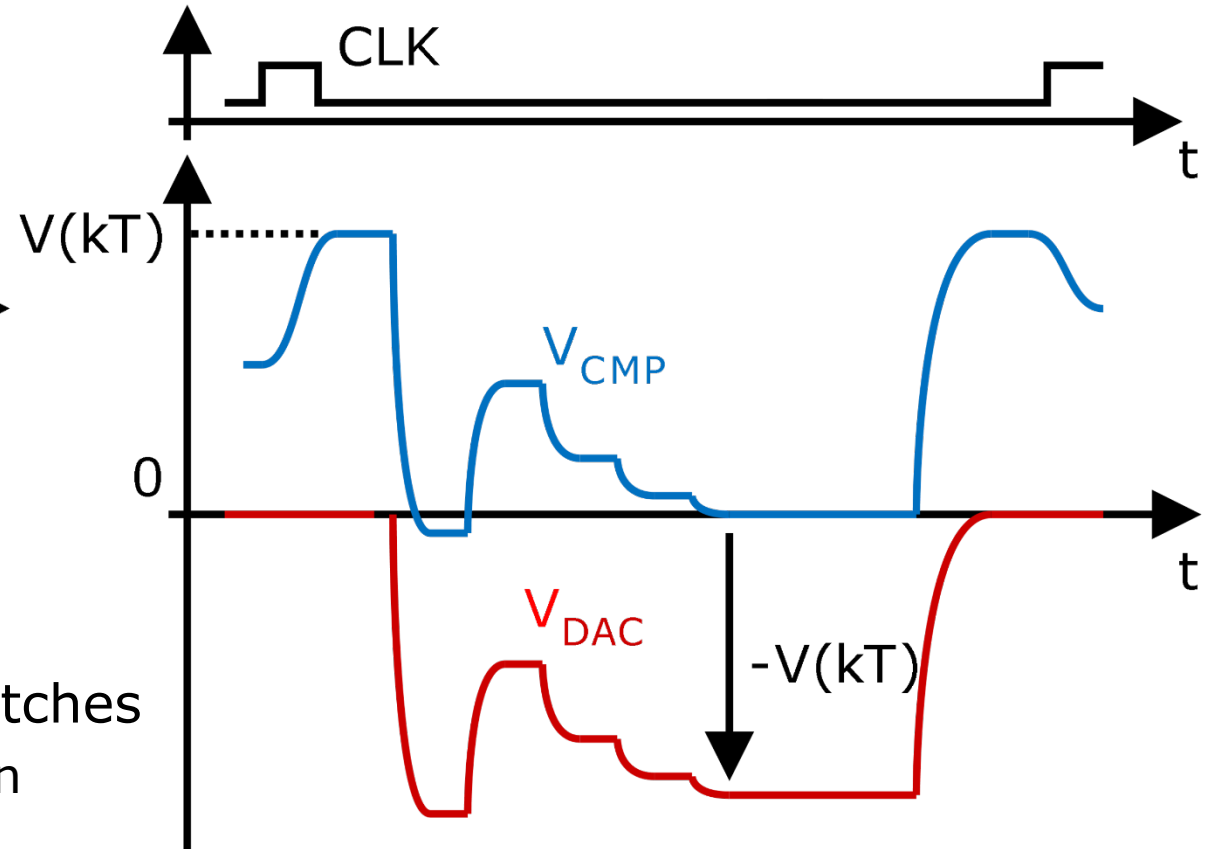
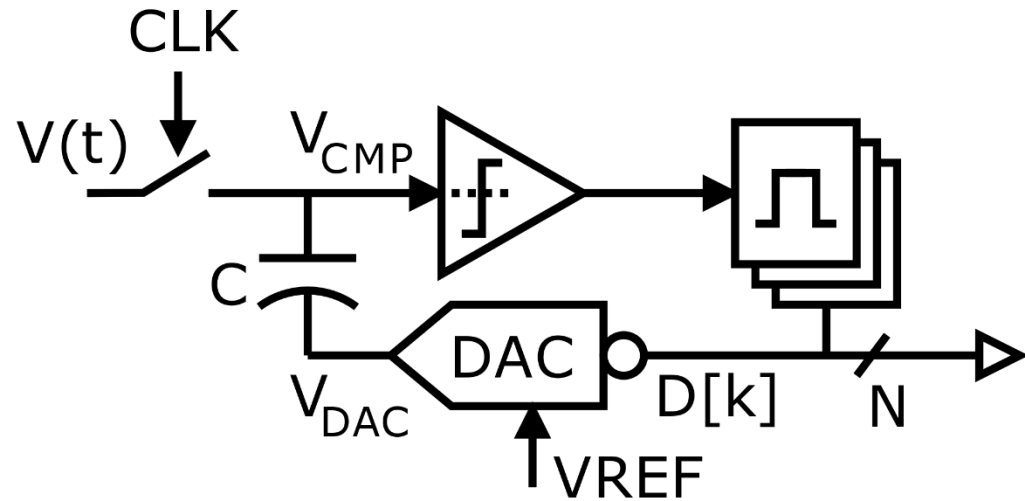


SAR (Successive Approximation Register)



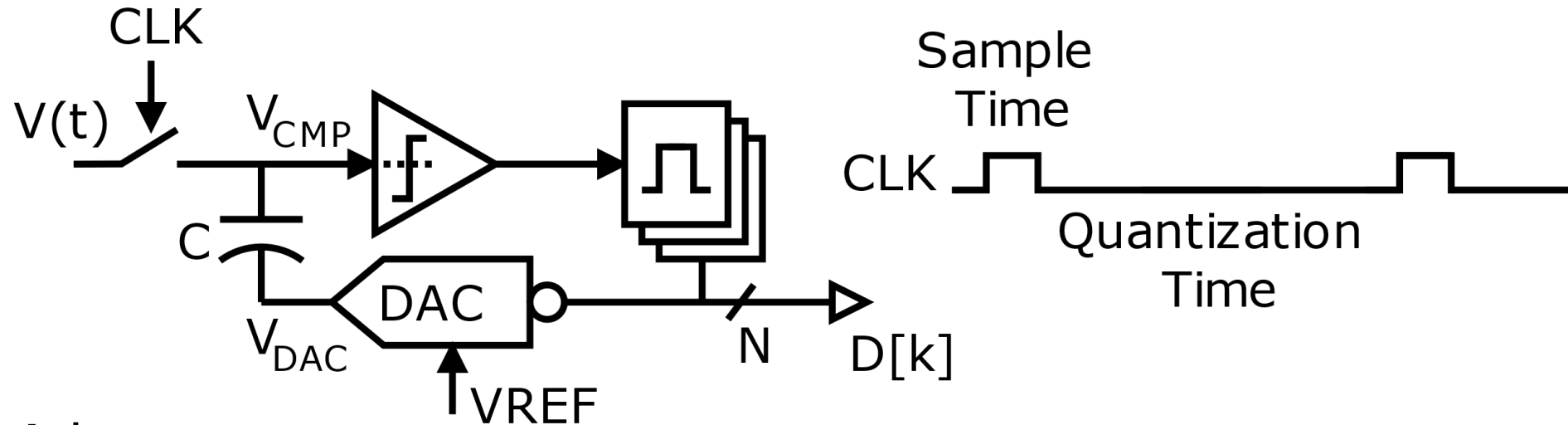
- Approximate $V(kT)$ with a DAC output V_{DAC}
- Use Successive Approximation algorithm
 - Comparator generates bits of $D[k]$ one at a time, starting with MSB
 - Successively drives $V_{CMP} \approx 0$ so $V_{DAC} \approx V(kT)$
- DAC output $V_{DAC} \approx D[k] \cdot V_{REF}$
 - $D[k] \approx V(kT)/V_{REF}$ at end of conversion

SAR ADC Implementation



- Initialize $D=0$ so $V_{DAC}=0$
- Sample $V(t)$ so $V(kT)$ stored on C
- Store comparator decisions D in latches
 - Forces $V_{CMP} \approx 0$ at end of conversion
 - $V_{CMP} \approx 0 \Rightarrow V_{DAC} \approx -V(kT)$
 - Invert $D[k] \Rightarrow D[k] \approx V(kT)/V_{REF}$

SAR ADC Properties



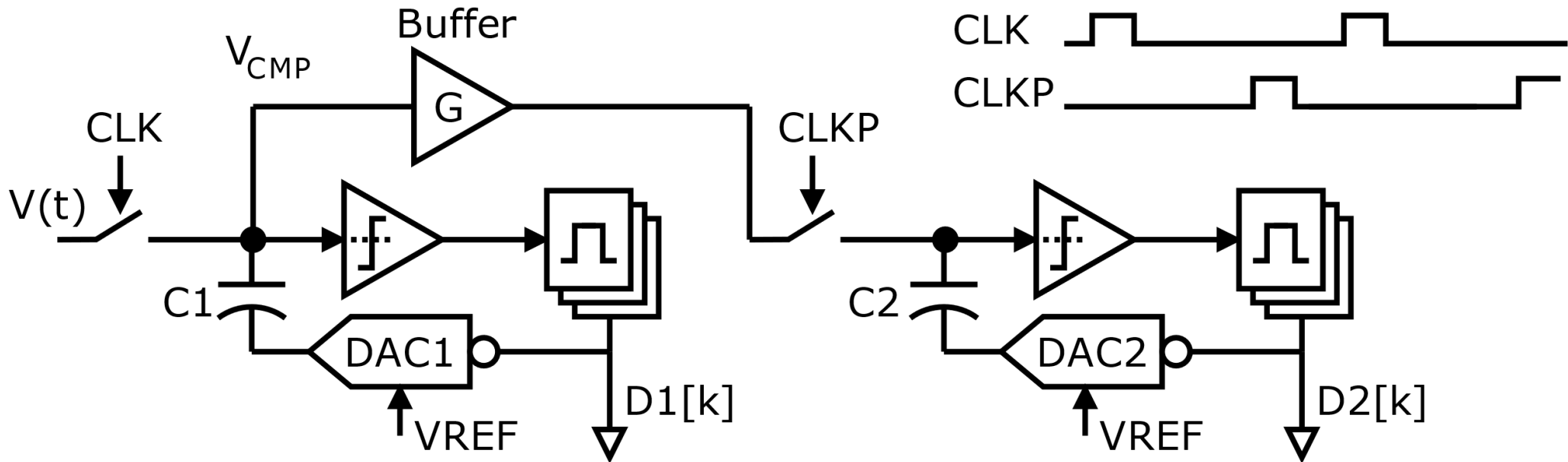
□ Advantages

- Small, low power, integrated T/H
- Scales well in modern CMOS processes

□ Disadvantages

- Takes many comparisons in series => slow
- Quantization time much longer than sample time

Pipelined SAR ADC

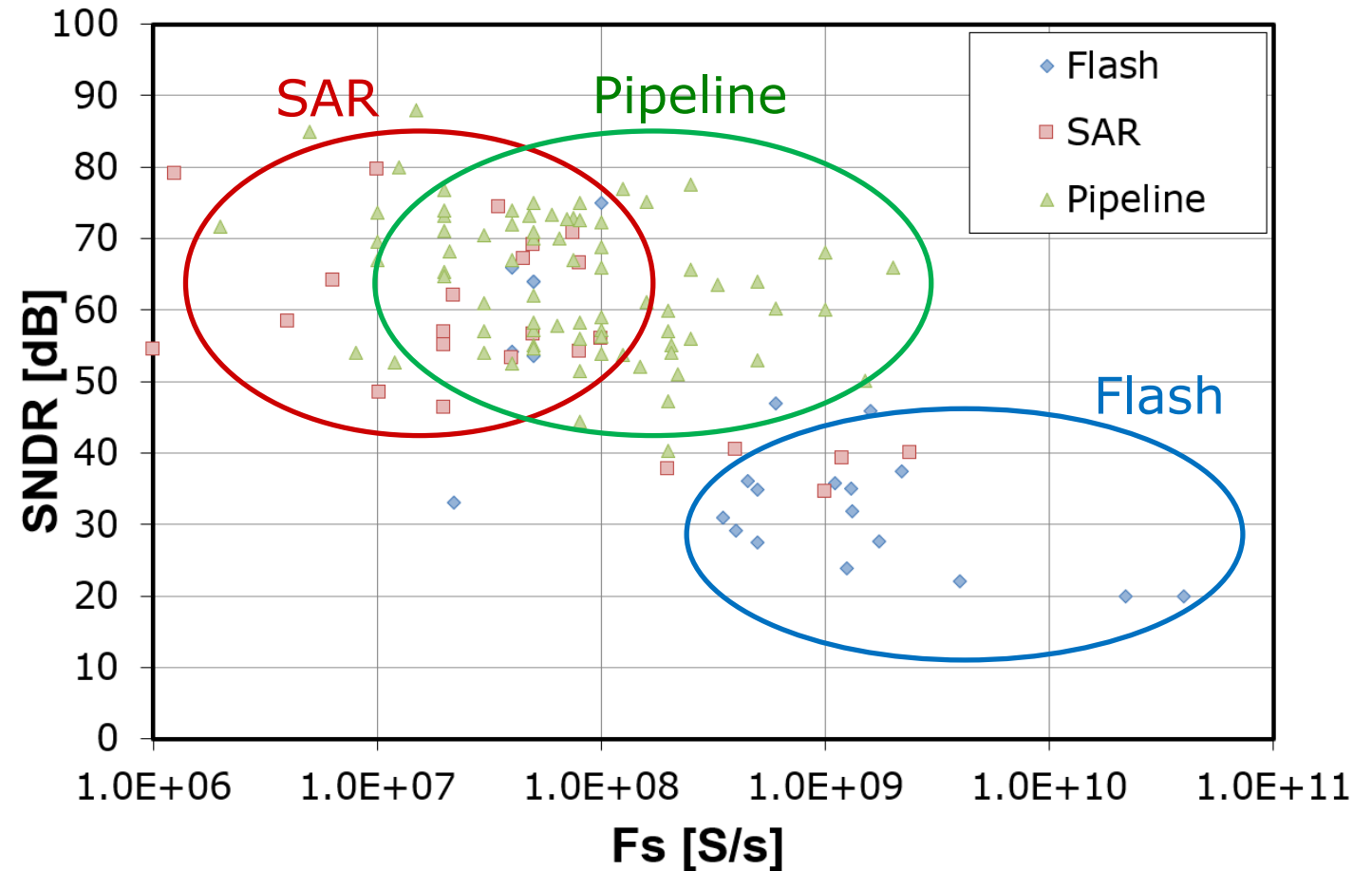


- SAR operation pipelined to improve speed
 - First stage computes MSBs $D1[k]$, second stage computes LSBs $D2[k]$
 - Intermediate V_{CMP} from first stage sampled by second stage
- Fewer comparisons needed in first stage => Faster
- Buffer and additional T/H needed => More power and area

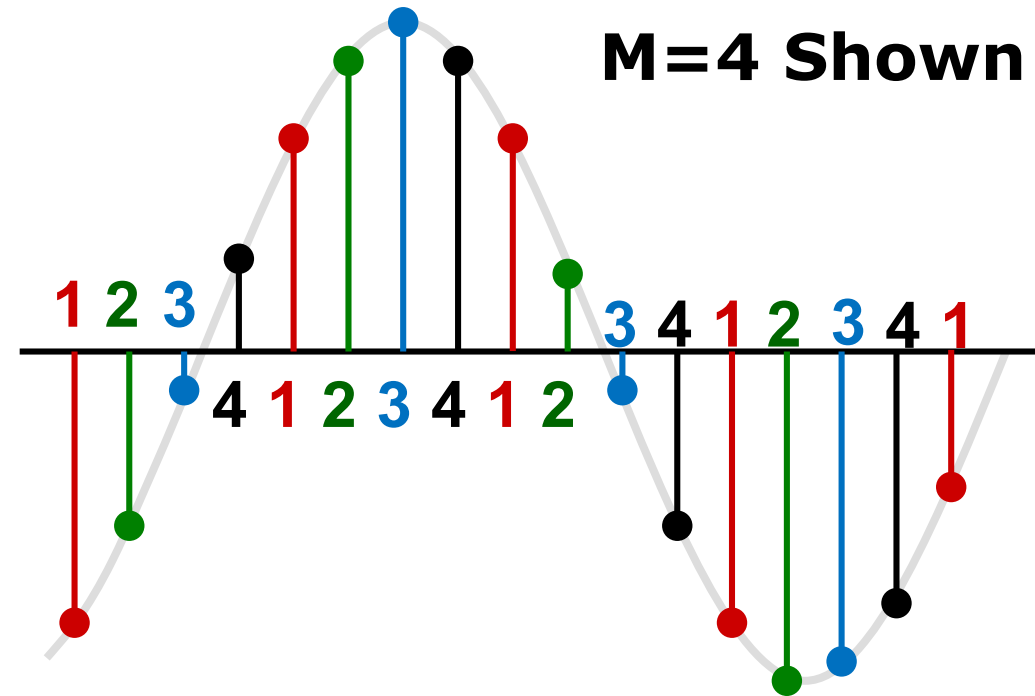
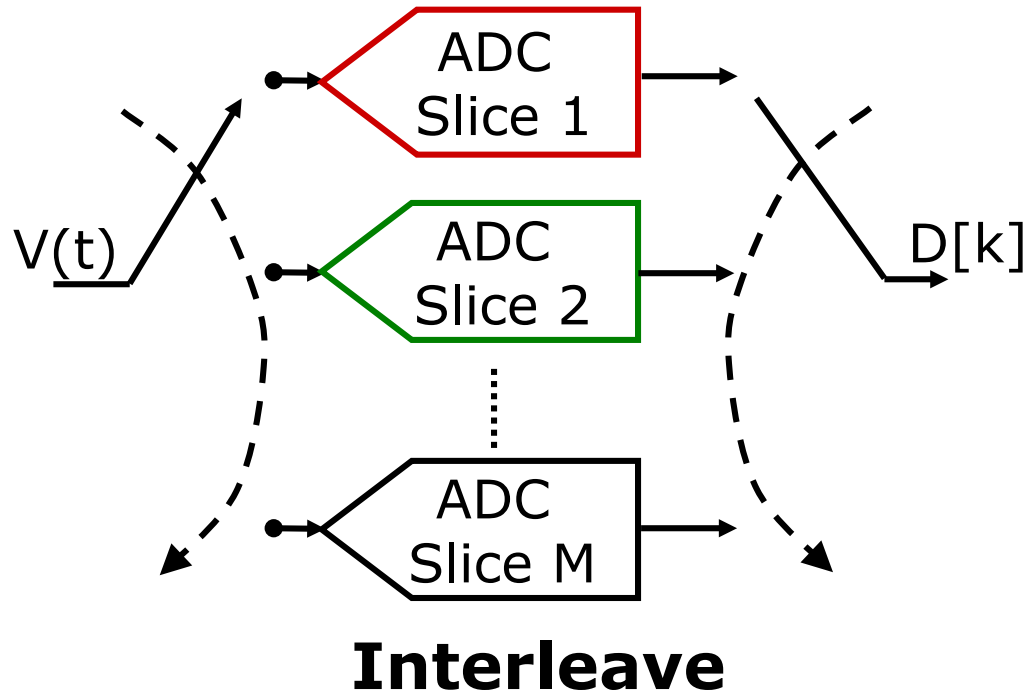
Performance Comparison SNDR vs. F_s

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- SAR
 - High SNDR
 - Low sample rate
- Pipeline
 - High SNDR
 - Mid Sample rate
- Flash
 - Low SNDR
 - High sample rate

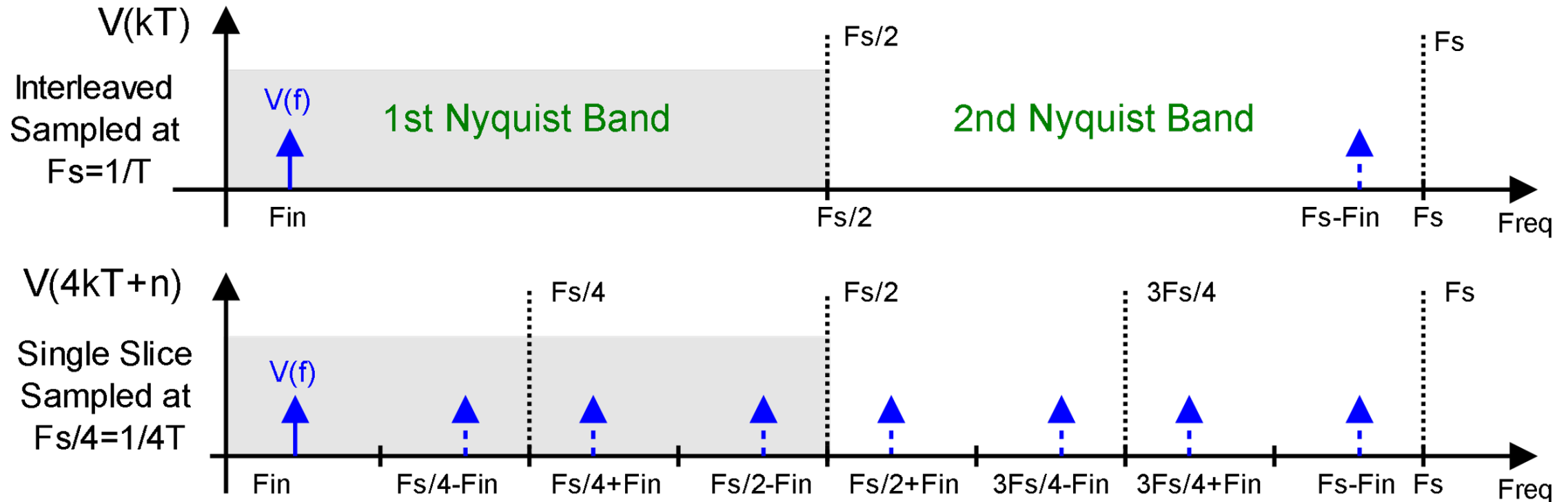


Time-Interleaved ADC [2]



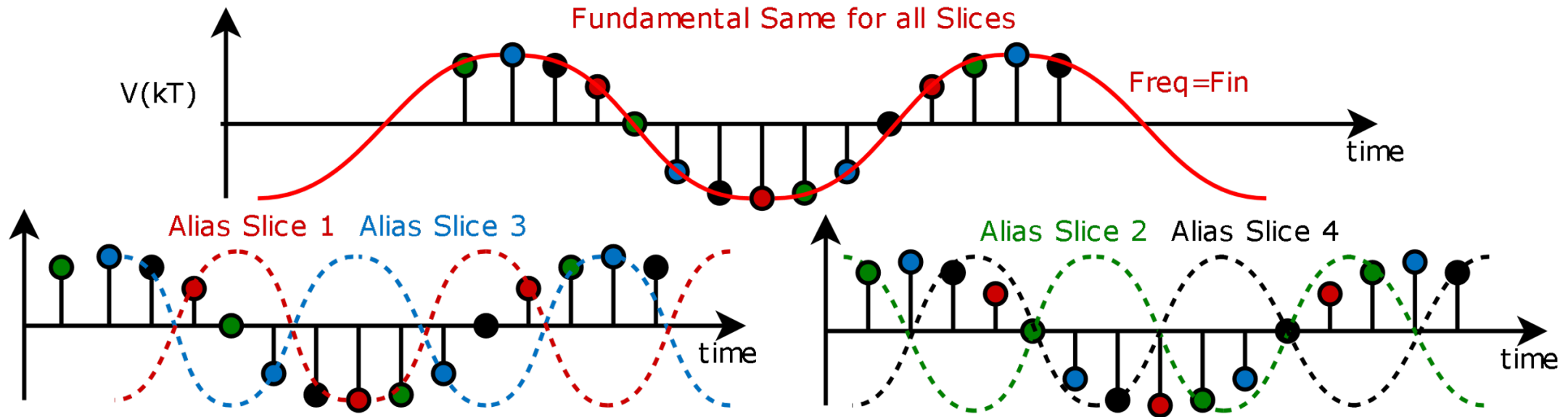
- Combine M identical ADC slices, to get $M \times F_s/M$ sampling.
- Interleave input samples in Analog Domain
- Interleave output samples in Digital Domain

Aliasing in ADC Slice with M=4



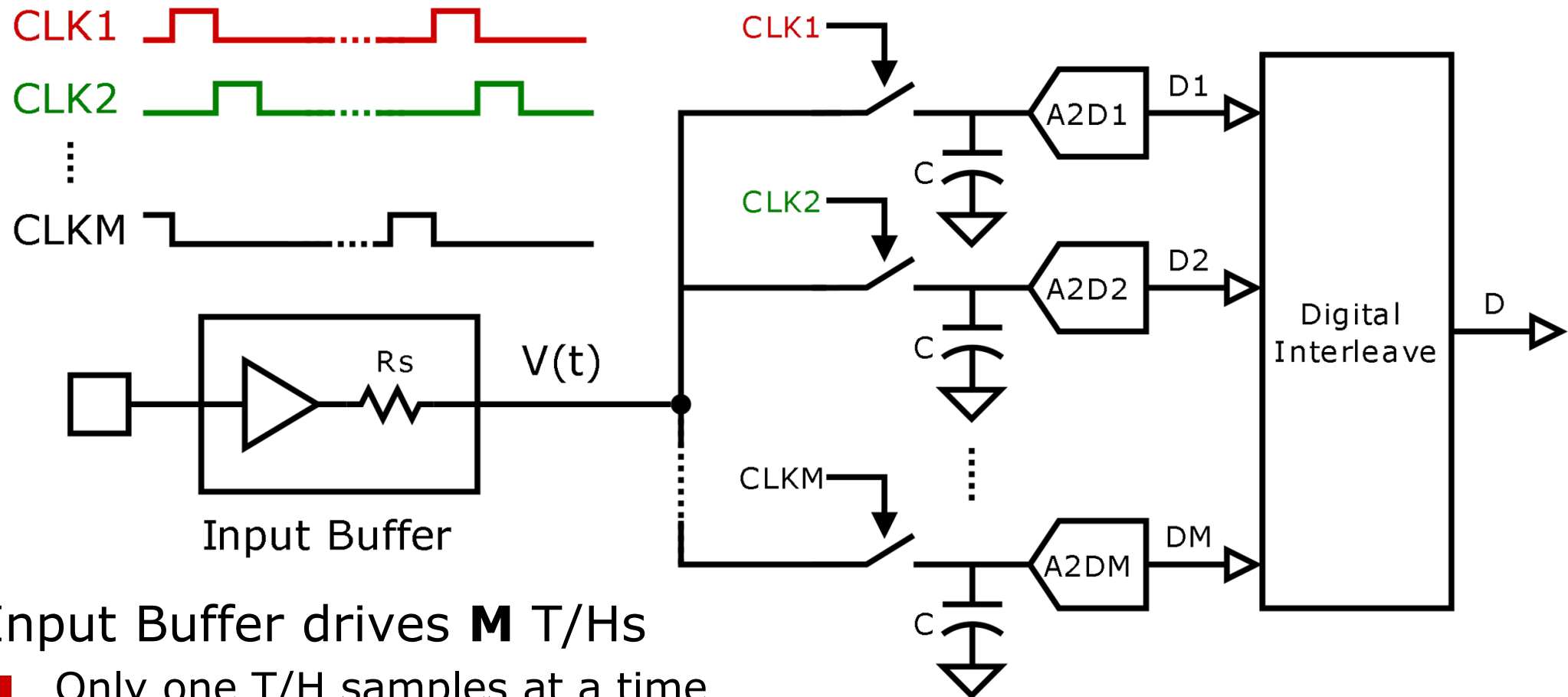
- ❑ Anti-Alias Filter (AAF) selects 1st Nyquist zone for full sample rate $F_s = 1/T$
- ❑ ADC slice n input $V(4kT+n)$ is $V(t)$ sampled at $F_s/4 = 1/4T$
- ❑ Aliases occur at $N \cdot F_s/4 \pm F_{in} \Rightarrow 3$ alias terms in 1st Nyquist band

Summing Interleaved Aliases



- Each ADC Slice samples the input signal at $\text{Freq} = F_{in}$
 - Fundamental at $\text{Freq} = F_{in}$ has same phase for all slices
- Since it samples at $F_s/4$, each ADC Slice also sees an alias at $\text{Freq} = F_s/4 - F_{in}$
- Alias has same frequency for each slice but **different phase**
 - Alias terms sum to zero if all slices match exactly

Time-Interleaved ADC Implementation

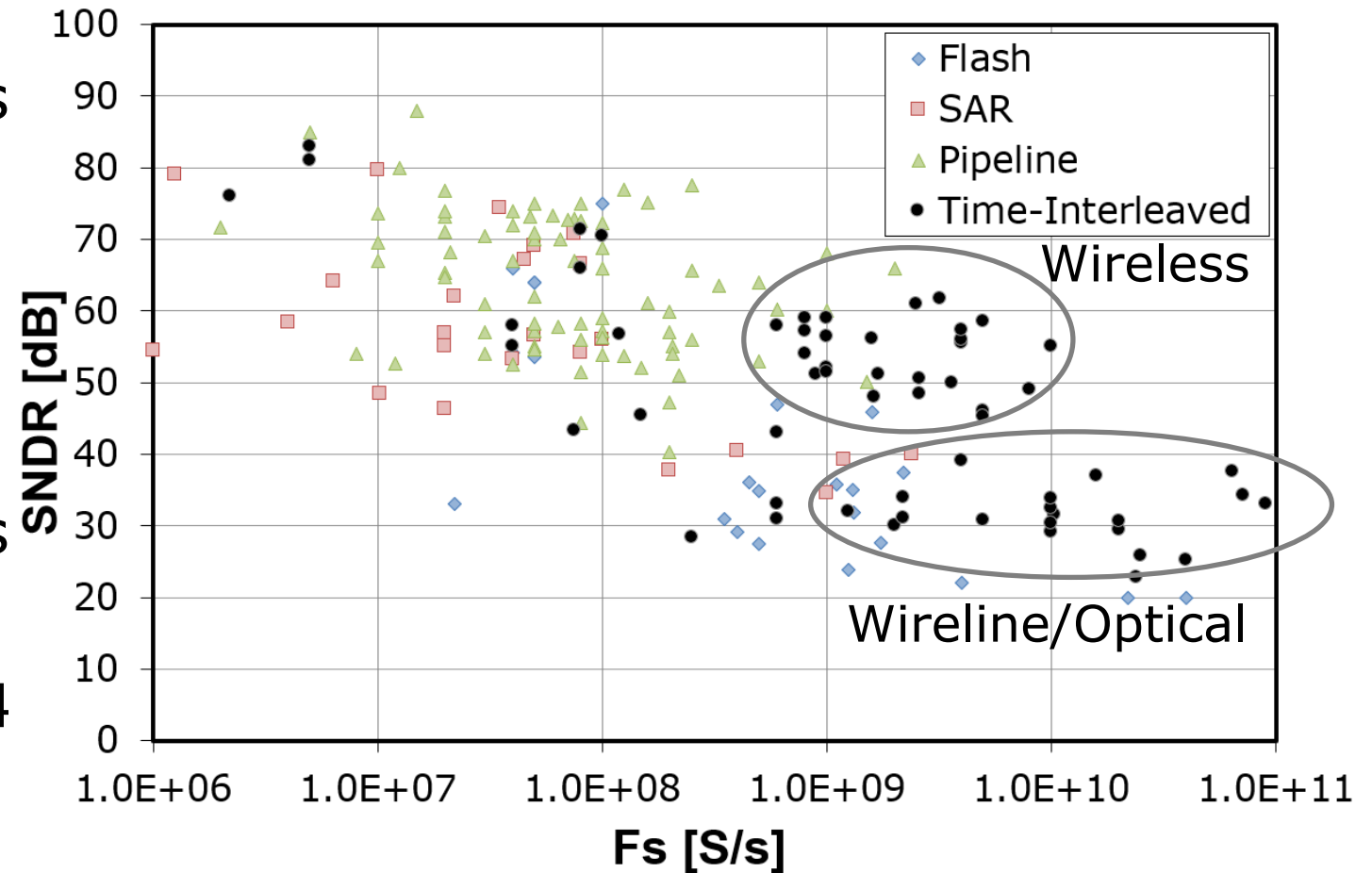


- Input Buffer drives M T/Hs
- Only one T/H samples at a time
- Re-interleave Quantizer outputs digitally

Time-Interleaved Applications

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- Wireless
 - $>10\text{b}$ at 1-10GS/s
 - Interleave $M < 10$
 - E.g. Base-station
 - 5GS/s 12-bit
- Wireline / Optical
 - $<7\text{b}$ at 1-100GS/s
 - Interleave $M > 20$
 - E.g. 56Gbps PAM4
 - 28GS/s 6-bit

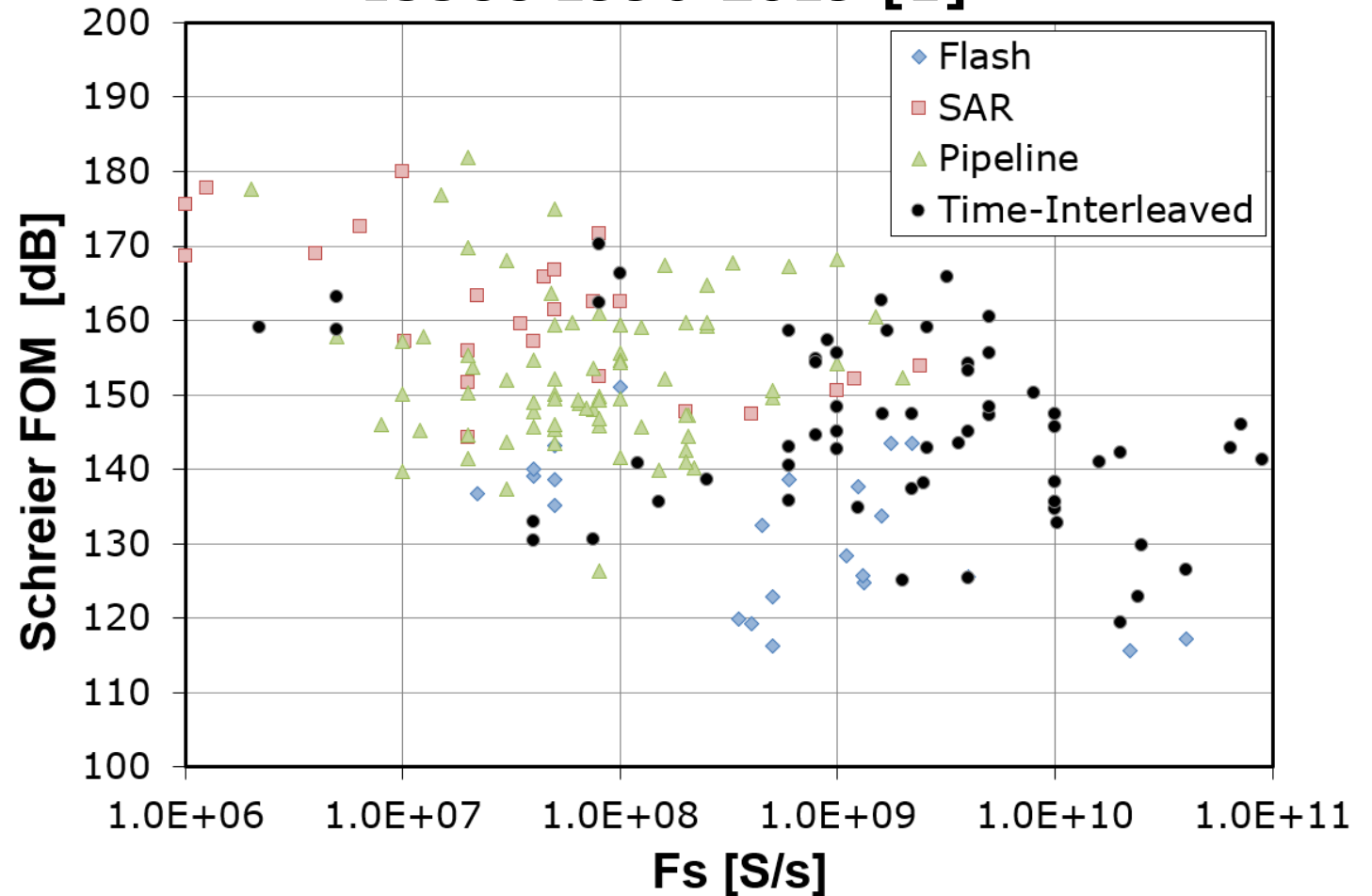


Why Interleave?

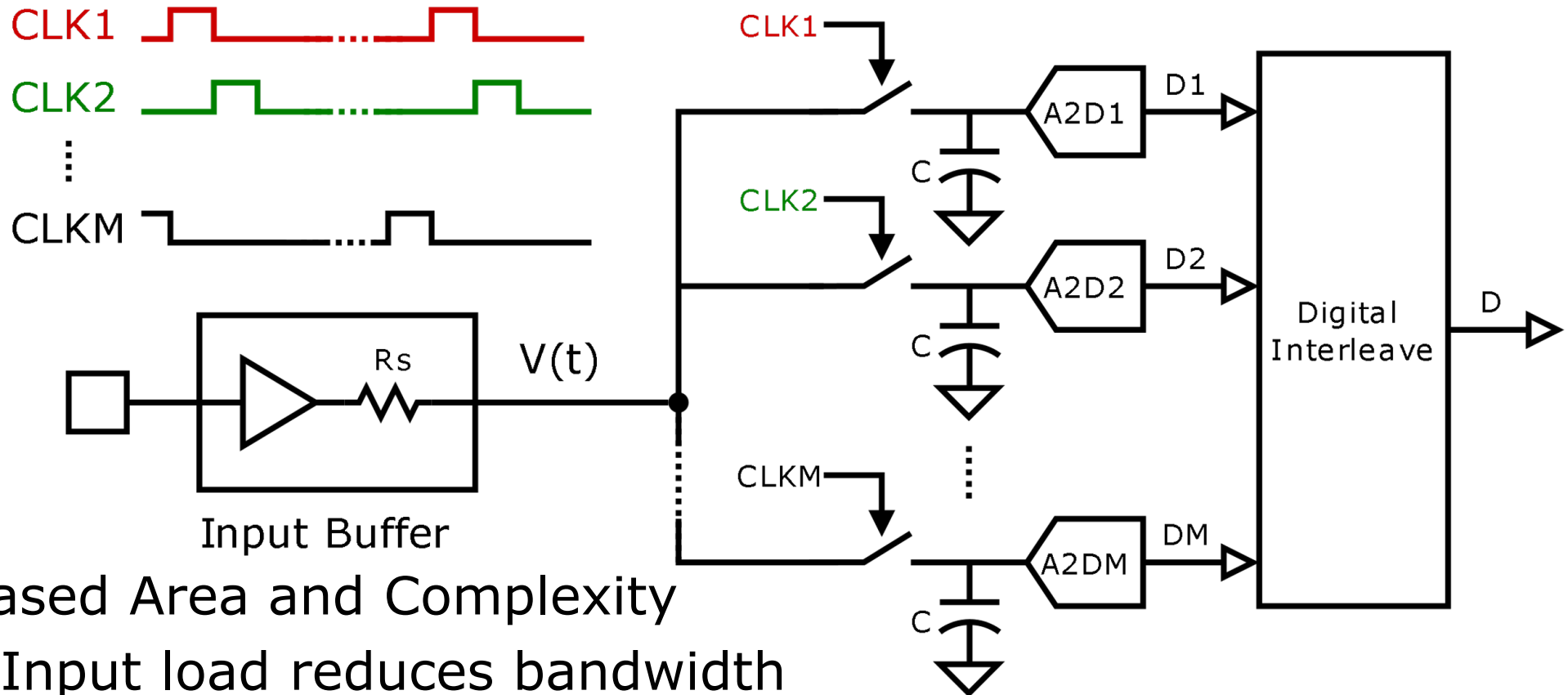
- Highest sample rate
- More power efficient at $F_s > 1\text{GS/s}$
 - Highest Schreier Figure of Merit FOM_S^*
- Interleaving M power efficient ADCs can be lower power than one fast ADC

* $FOM_S = \text{SNDR} + 10\log_{10}(P/\text{BW})$
 $P = \text{Power}$, $\text{BW} = \text{Bandwidth}$

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The Cost of Interleaving

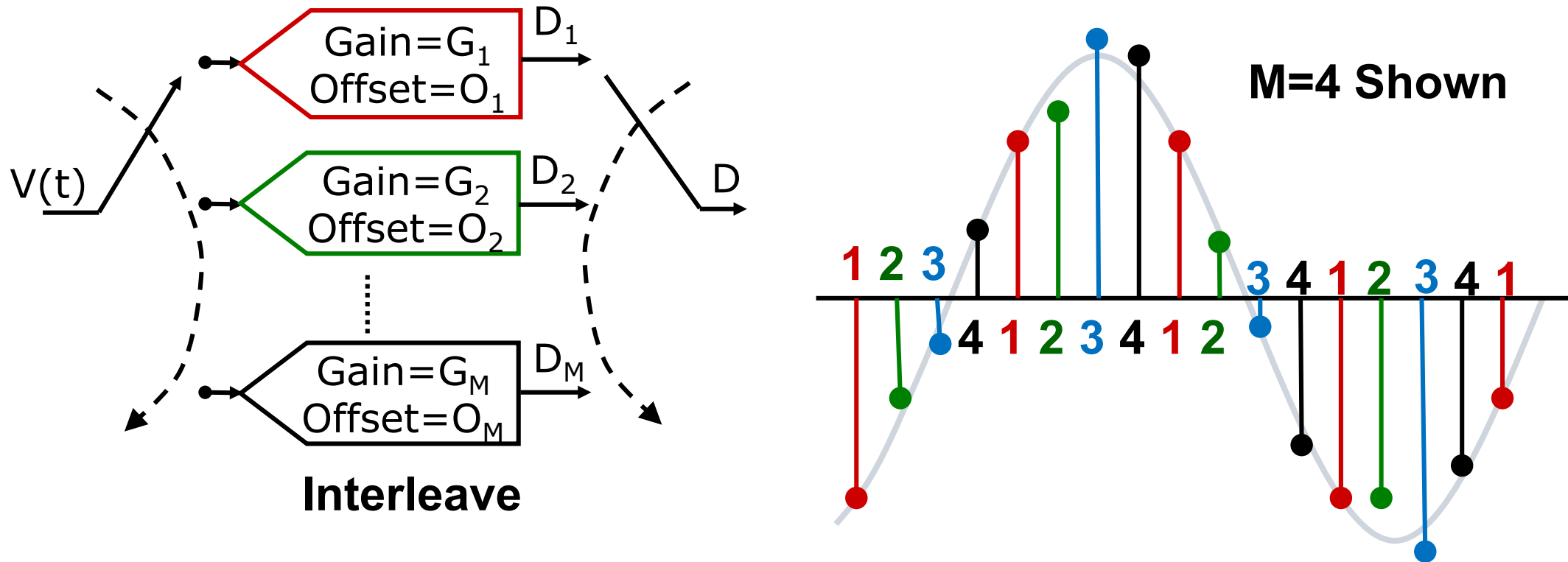


- ❑ Increased Area and Complexity
- ❑ More Input load reduces bandwidth
- ❑ New sources of error
 - Offset, Gain and timing Mismatch

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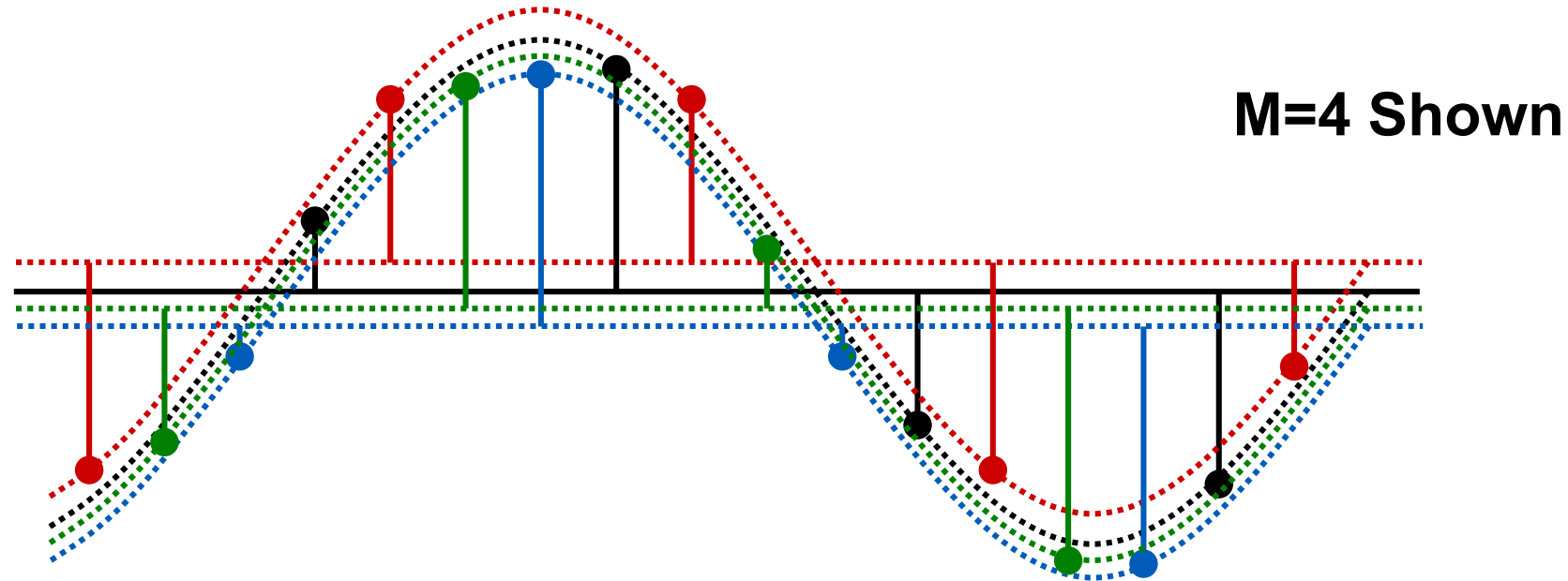
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Time-Interleaved ADC Mismatch



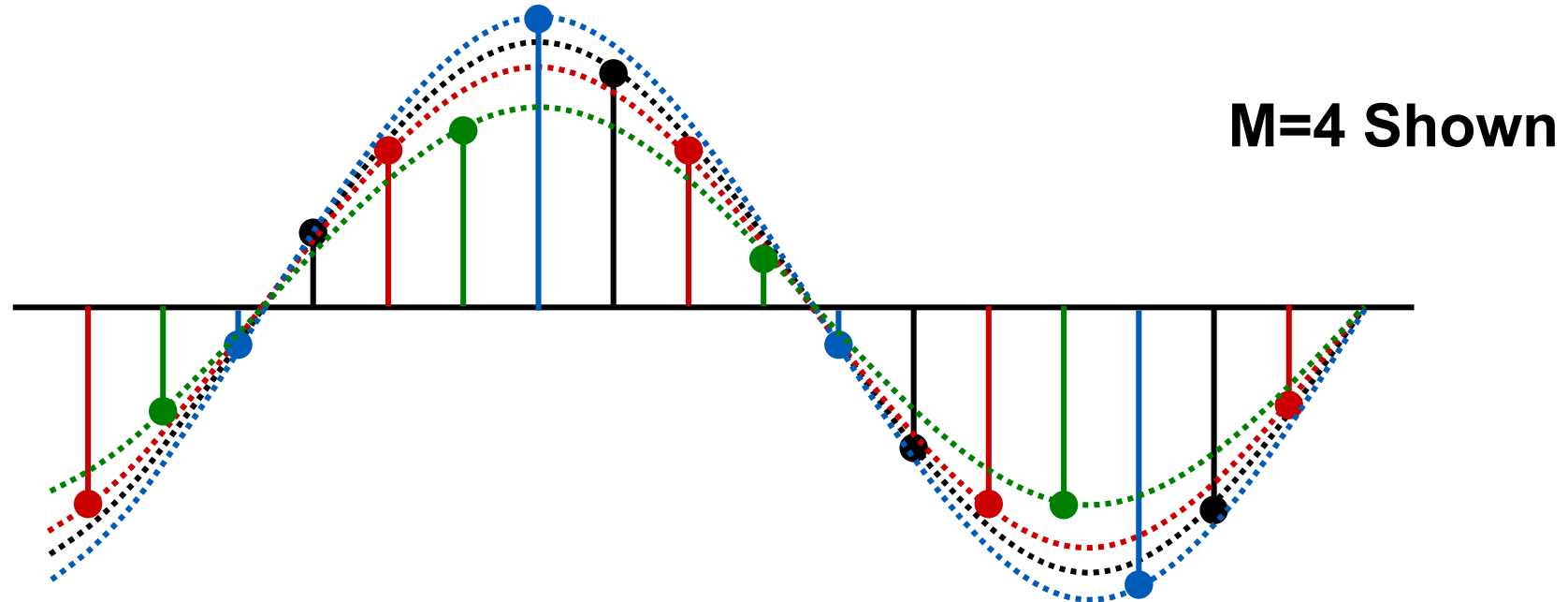
- ❑ Equivalent to a single fast ADC if ADC Slices are identical
- ❑ But what if the ADC Slices don't match?

Offset Mismatch



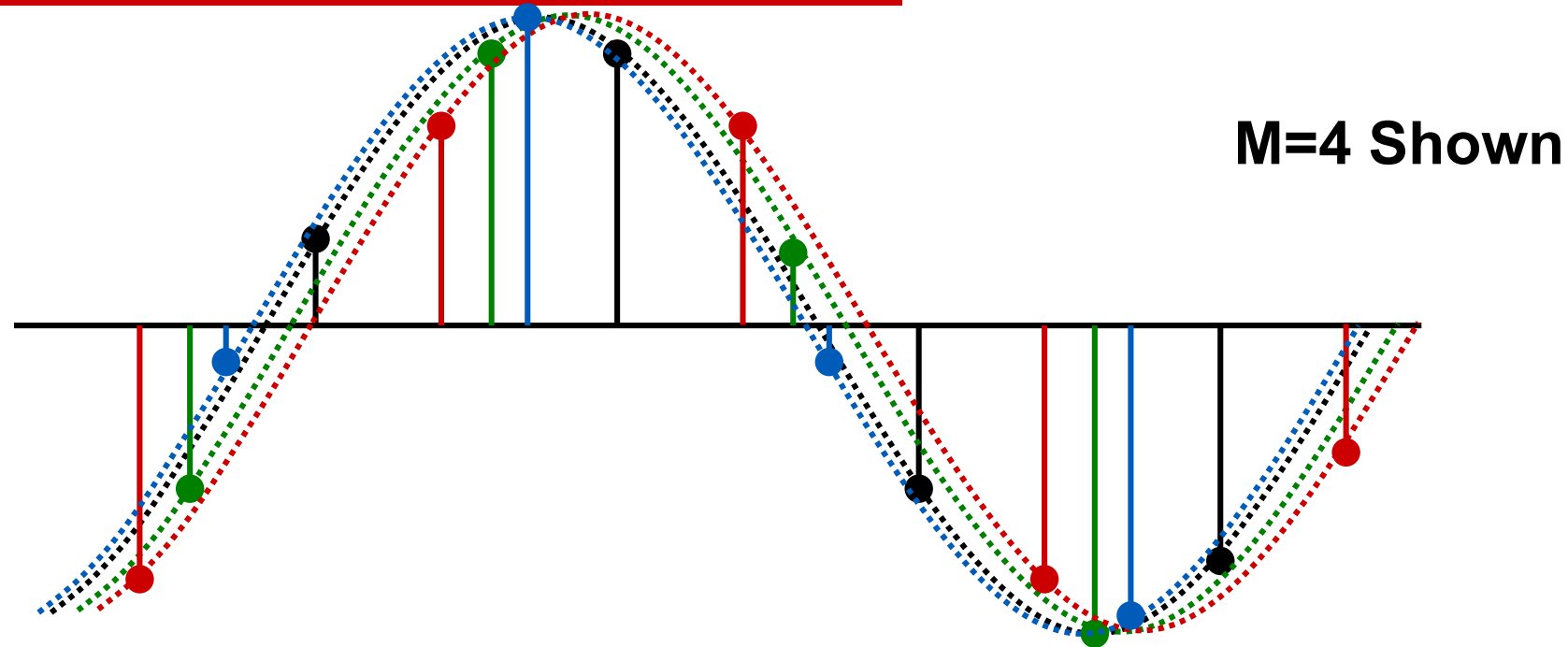
- ❑ ADC slices have different offsets due to mismatch
- ❑ Looks like an added periodic offset with period M
- ❑ Always the same regardless of input amplitude or frequency

Gain Mismatch



- ❑ ADC Slices have different Gains due to mismatch
- ❑ Looks like amplitude is modulated by a waveform with period M
- ❑ Error is larger for large input signal amplitudes

Timing Mismatch



- ❑ ADC Slices do not sample T apart due to timing mismatch
- ❑ Looks like phase is modulated by a waveform with period M
- ❑ Error depends on signal slope when sampling
 - Larger error for large amplitudes and/or high frequencies

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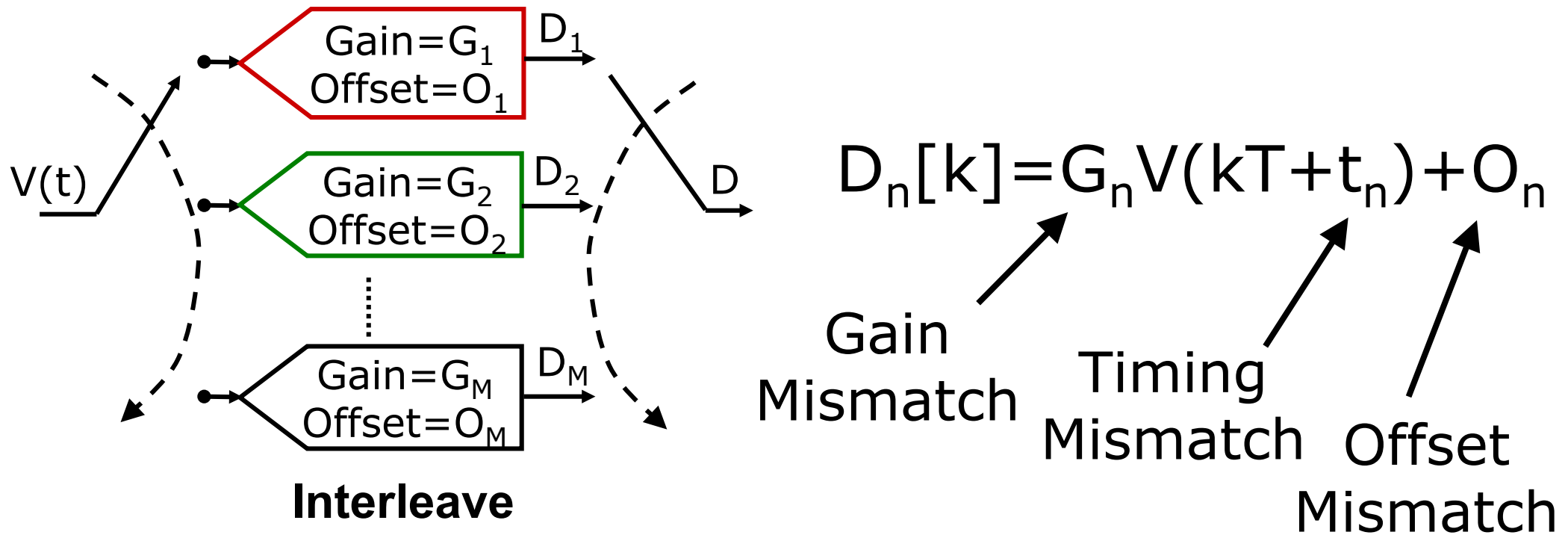
Interim Q+A Session (5 minutes)

Please ask questions that you
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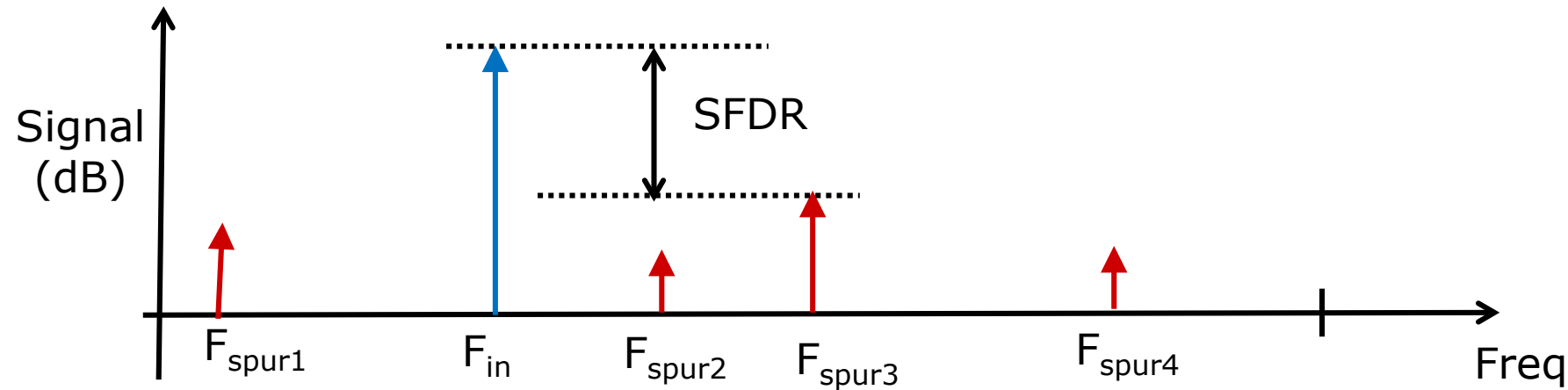
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Frequency Spectrum of Interleave Errors



- ❑ Output $D[k]$ interleaved from M slice outputs $D_n[k]$
- ❑ $D_n[k]$ may mismatch in gain G_n , offset O_n and timing t_n
- ❑ How do these errors look in the frequency domain?

Frequency Spectrum of Interleave Errors



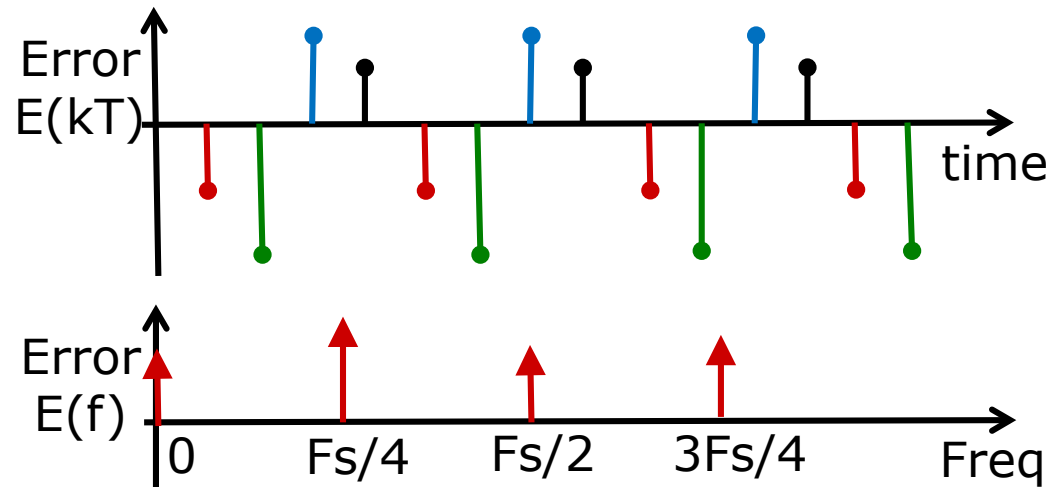
- ADC mismatch errors usually considered as noise
 - Limits Signal-to-Noise-and-Distortion Ratio (SNDR) of ADC
- But mismatch errors are concentrated at specific frequencies
 - Call these errors “spurs”
 - Limits Spurious-Free Dynamic Range (SFDR) of ADC
 - Important for Wireless applications

Offset Mismatch Errors

Sample	1	2	3	4	5
ADC 1	$G \cdot V(T) + O_1$				$G \cdot V(5T) + O_1$
ADC 2		$G \cdot V(2T) + O_2$			
ADC 3			$G \cdot V(3T) + O_3$		
ADC 4				$G \cdot V(4T) + O_4$	
D[k]	$G \cdot V(T) + O_1$	$G \cdot V(2T) + O_2$	$G \cdot V(3T) + O_3$	$G \cdot V(4T) + O_4$	$G \cdot V(5T) + O_1$
E(kT)=error	O_1	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_1

- ❑ Assume all ADCs have the same gain G
- ❑ Each ADC has a different offset O_1, O_2, O_3 , etc.
- ❑ Error E(kT) is sequence $O_1, O_2, \dots, O_M, O_1, O_2, \dots$
 - Repetitive sequence with period MT
- ❑ How does this error look in the frequency domain?

Frequency Spectrum of Offset Mismatch



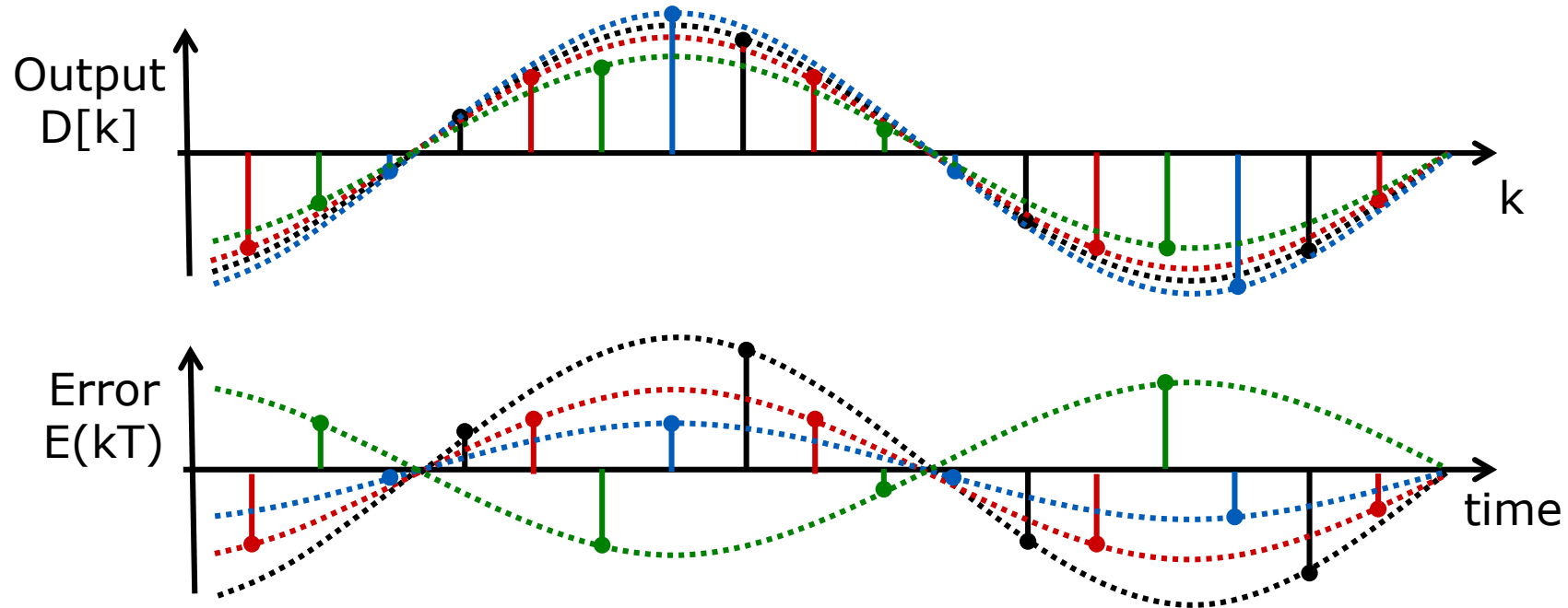
- Error is periodic sequence in time with period MT
- Fourier series representation
 - Tones at every integer multiples of F_s/M
 - Amplitude and phase of spurs depend on offset mismatch
 - Spurs are independent of input signal

Gain Mismatch Errors

Sample	1	2	3	4	5
ADC 1	$G_1 \cdot V(T)$				$G_1 \cdot V(5T)$
ADC 2		$G_2 \cdot V(2T)$			
ADC 3			$G_3 \cdot V(3T)$		
ADC 4				$G_4 \cdot V(4T)$	
D[k]	$G_1 \cdot V(T)$	$G_2 \cdot V(2T)$	$G_3 \cdot V(3T)$	$G_4 \cdot V(4T)$	$G_1 \cdot V(5T)$
E(kT)	$\Delta G_1 \cdot V(T)$	$\Delta G_2 \cdot V(2T)$	$\Delta G_3 \cdot V(3T)$	$\Delta G_4 \cdot V(4T)$	$\Delta G_1 \cdot V(5T)$

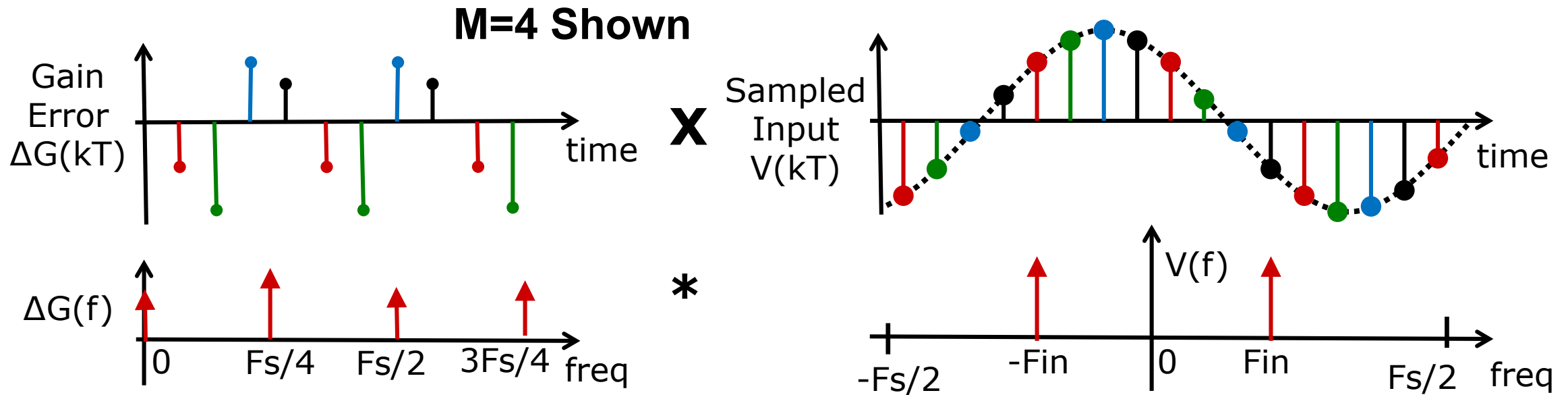
- Each ADC slice has a different gain $G_1, G_2, G_3,$ etc.
 - Average gain is $G_{AVG} = (G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_M) / M$
- Slice n gain mismatch is $\Delta G_n = (G_n - G_{AVG})$
- Error E(kT) is ΔG_n multiplied by input sample V(kT)

Envelope of Gain Mismatch Errors



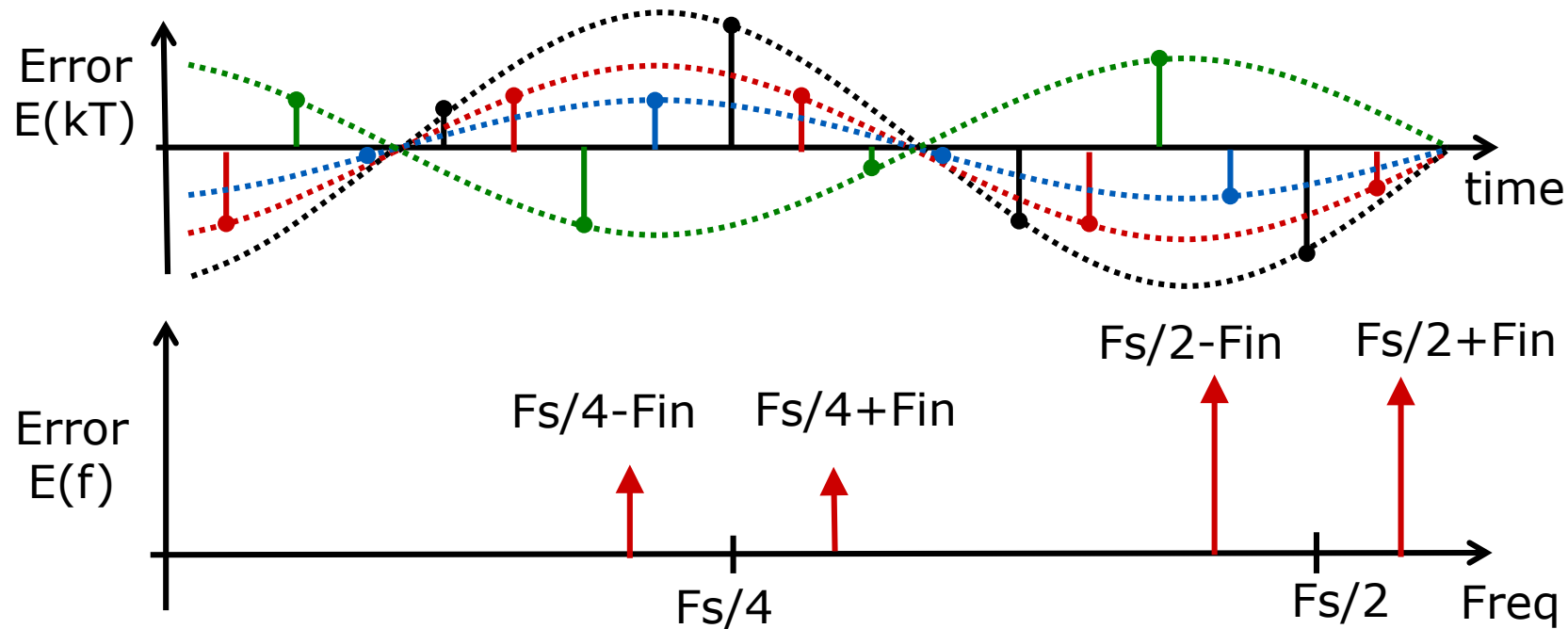
- Output $D[k]$ consists of M interleaved signals
 - Each has *envelope* of input $V(t)$, but different Gain G_n
- Error $E(kT)$ consists of M interleaved signals
 - Each has *envelope* of input $V(t)$, but different Gain $\Delta G_n = (G_n - G_{AVG})$

Frequency Spectrum of Gain Mismatch



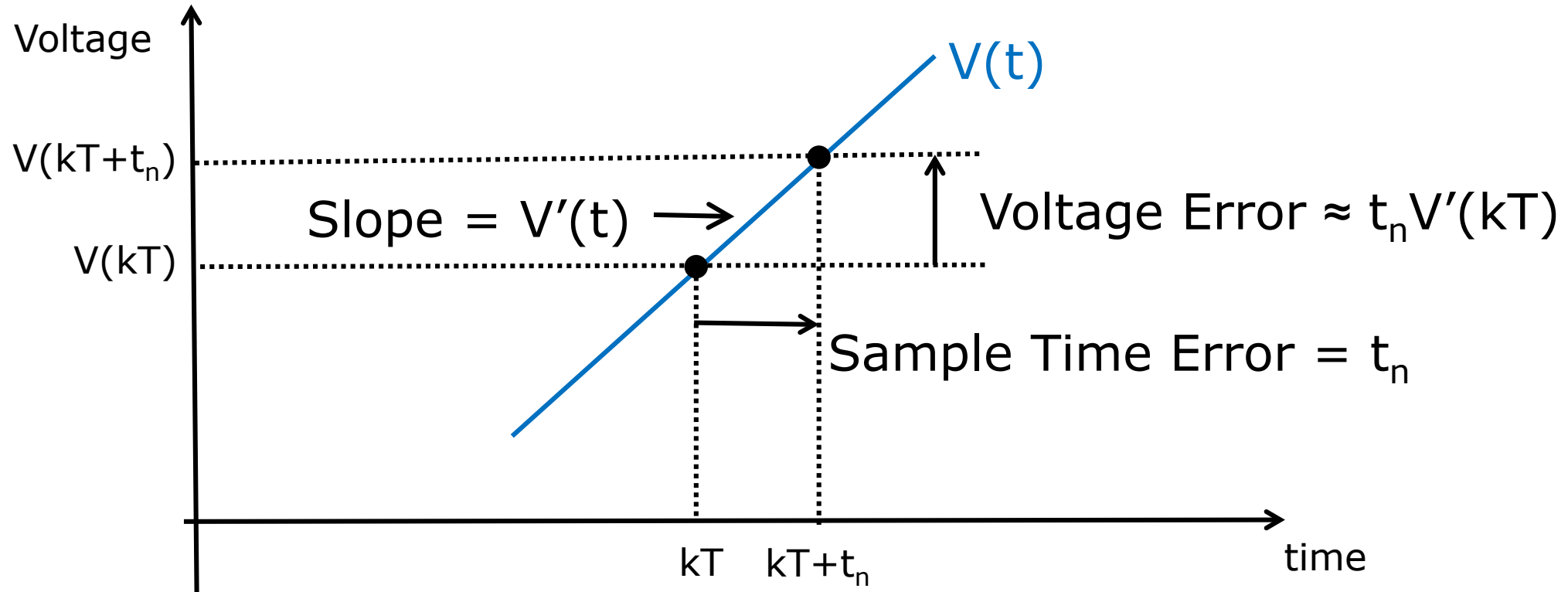
- Gain Error $\Delta G(kT)$ is periodic sequence in time with period MT
 - Fourier series representation $\Delta G(f)$ has tones at every integer $N \cdot F_s/M$
- Multiply $\Delta G(kT)$ by sampled input signal $V(kT)$ with spectrum $V(f)$
 - Just like mixing or amplitude modulation
- Multiplication in time domain equivalent to *convolution* in frequency domain

Frequency Spectrum of Gain Mismatch



- $E(f)$ has a scaled copy of input signal at every $N \cdot F_s/M \pm F_{in}$
 - Amplitude and phase of spurs depends on gain mismatch
- Overall amplitude of $E(f)$ increases with amplitude of input $V(f)$

Sample Time Error



□ Voltage error is slice timing error t_n multiplied by slope of $V(t)$:

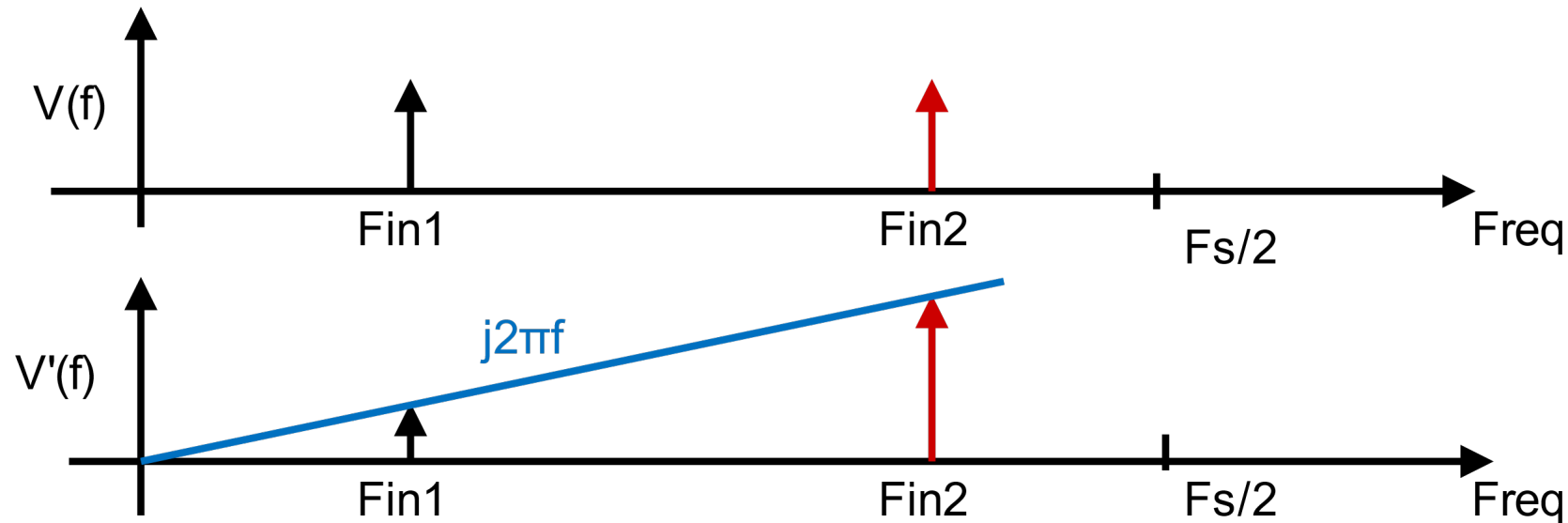
$$V'(kT) = \frac{dV}{dt} \text{ at } t = kT$$

Timing Mismatch Errors

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ADC 2		$G \cdot V(2T+t_2)$			
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D[k]	$G \cdot V(T+t_1)$	$G \cdot V(2T+t_2)$	$G \cdot V(3T+t_3)$	$G \cdot V(4T+t_4)$	$G \cdot V(5T+t_1)$
E(kT)	$G \cdot t_1 \cdot V'(T)$	$G \cdot t_2 \cdot V'(2T)$	$G \cdot t_3 \cdot V'(3T)$	$G \cdot t_4 \cdot V'(4T)$	$G \cdot t_1 \cdot V'(5T)$

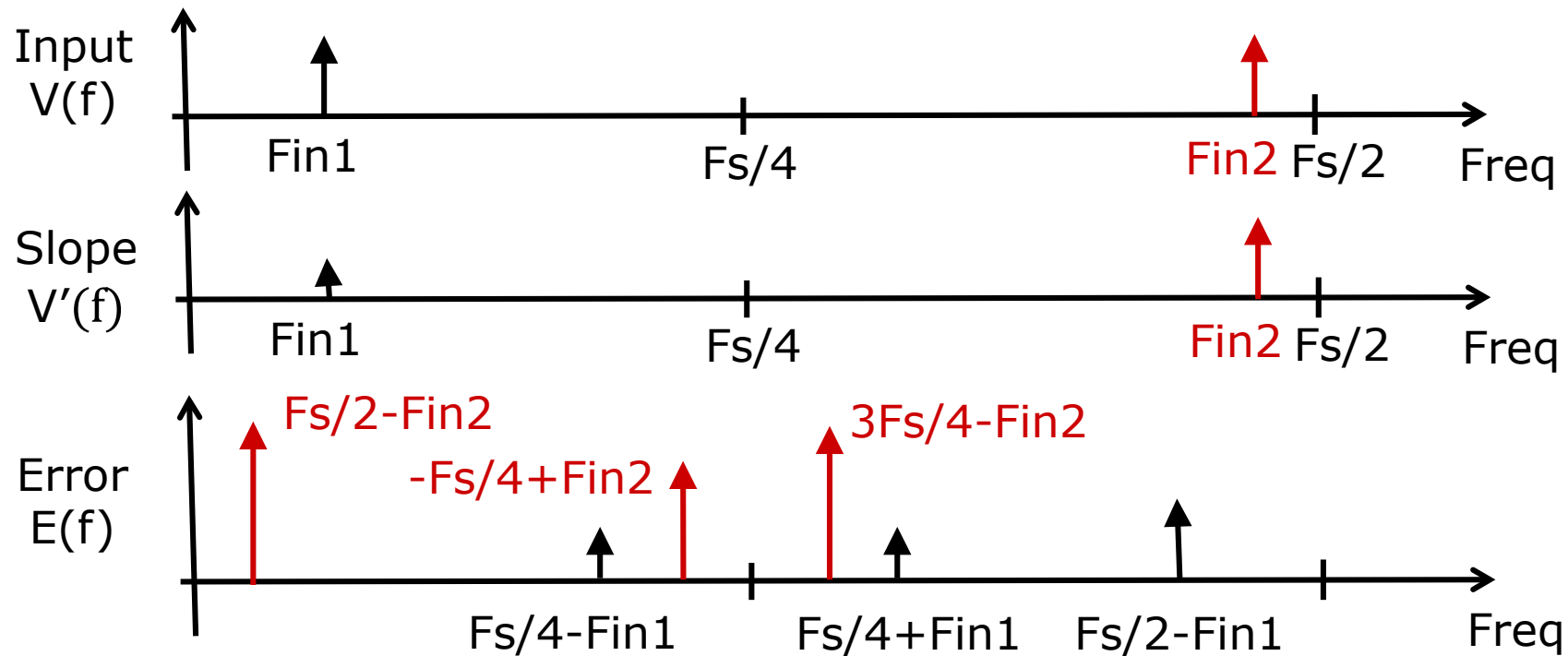
- ❑ Each ADC slice has a different timing error t_1, t_2, t_3 , etc.
- ❑ Error $E(kT)$ is slice timing error t_n multiplied by slope $V'(t)$
- ❑ Timing mismatch similar to gain mismatch
 - Multiplied by slope $V'(t)$ instead of $V(t)$

Frequency Response of Slope Operation



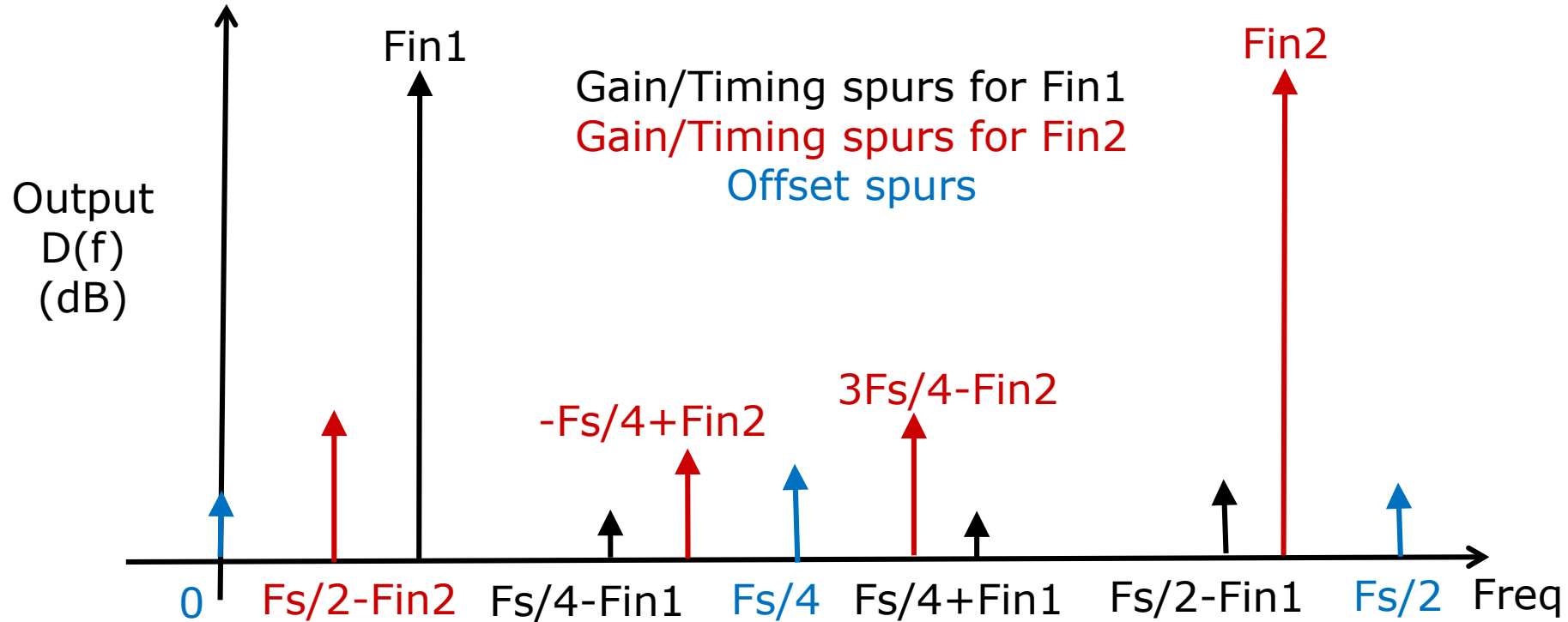
- Consider signal $V(f)$ with two frequency components at $Fin1$ and $Fin2$
- Fourier transform : $V'(kT) = dV/dt \Rightarrow V'(f) = j2\pi fV(f)$
- High-pass response attenuates $Fin1$ relative to $Fin2$

Frequency Spectrum of Timing Mismatch



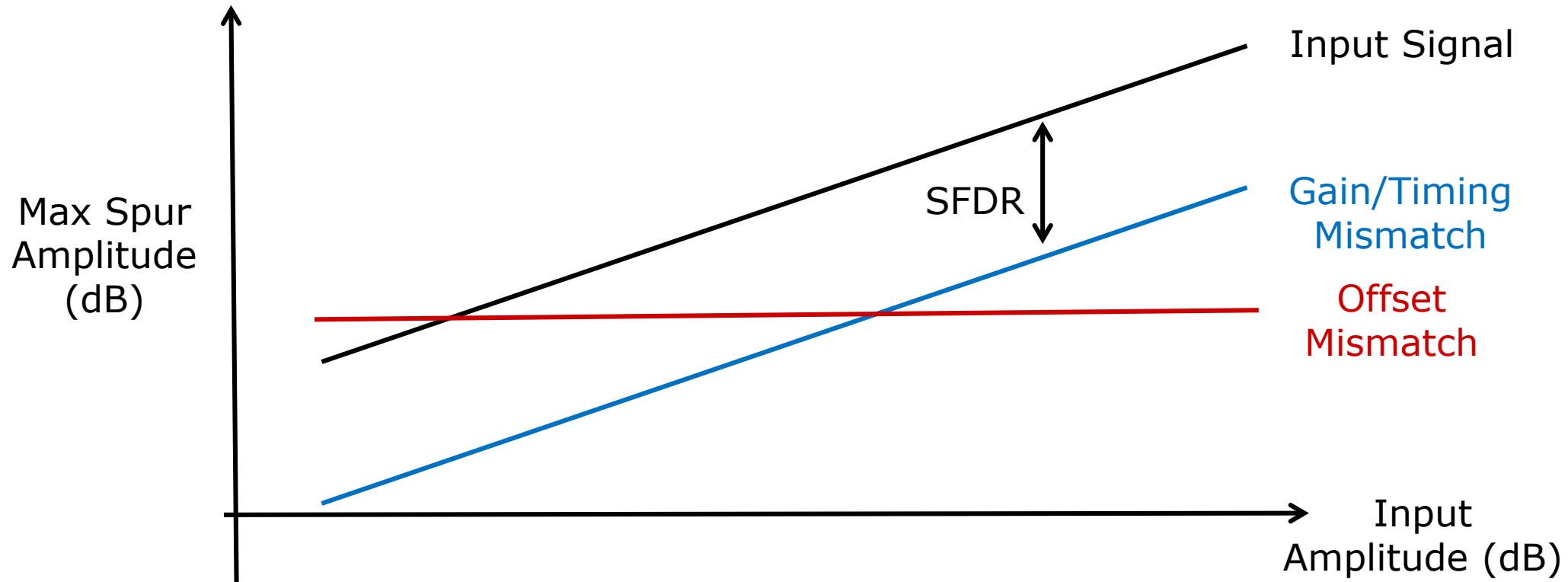
- Timing error like gain error with envelope of $V'(t)$ instead of $V(t)$
 - No component at F_{in1} or F_{in2} as average timing mismatch is zero.
- $E(f)$ has scaled alias of $V'(f)$ at every $N \cdot F_s/M \pm F_{in1}$ and $N \cdot F_s/M \pm F_{in2}$
 - Amplitude of spurs increases with frequency and amplitude of input $V(f)$

ADC Output Spectrum with M=4



- Overall spectrum of ADC output code $D(kT)$ is $D(f)$
 - Offset spurs at $N \cdot F_s/M \Rightarrow$ independent of input signal
 - Gain/Timing spurs at $N \cdot F_s/M \pm F_{in}$

SFDR vs. Input Amplitude



- Offset mismatch limits SFDR at small input amplitude
- Gain and Timing mismatch limits SFDR at large input amplitude
 - Mostly gain mismatch at low frequencies, timing mismatch at high frequencies

Summary So Far

- Time-interleaved ADCs popular for $>1\text{GS/s}$
 - Highest sample rate
 - More power efficient
- Mismatch spurs limit performance
 - Offset spurs at fixed amplitude and frequency
 - Gain/Timing spurs at alias frequencies of interleave rate
- How do we implement a time-interleaved ADC to minimize these effects?

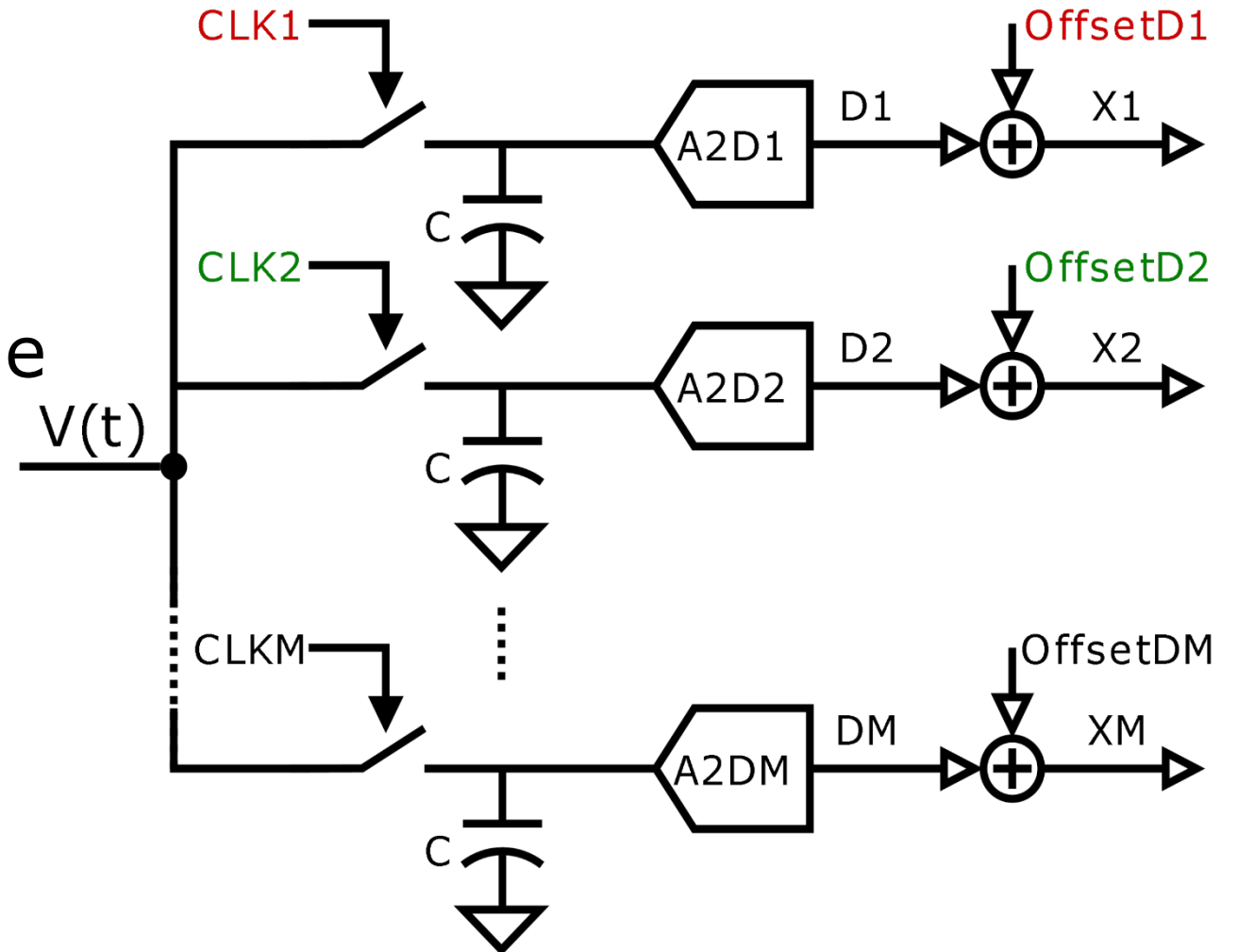
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Correcting Offset Mismatch - Digital

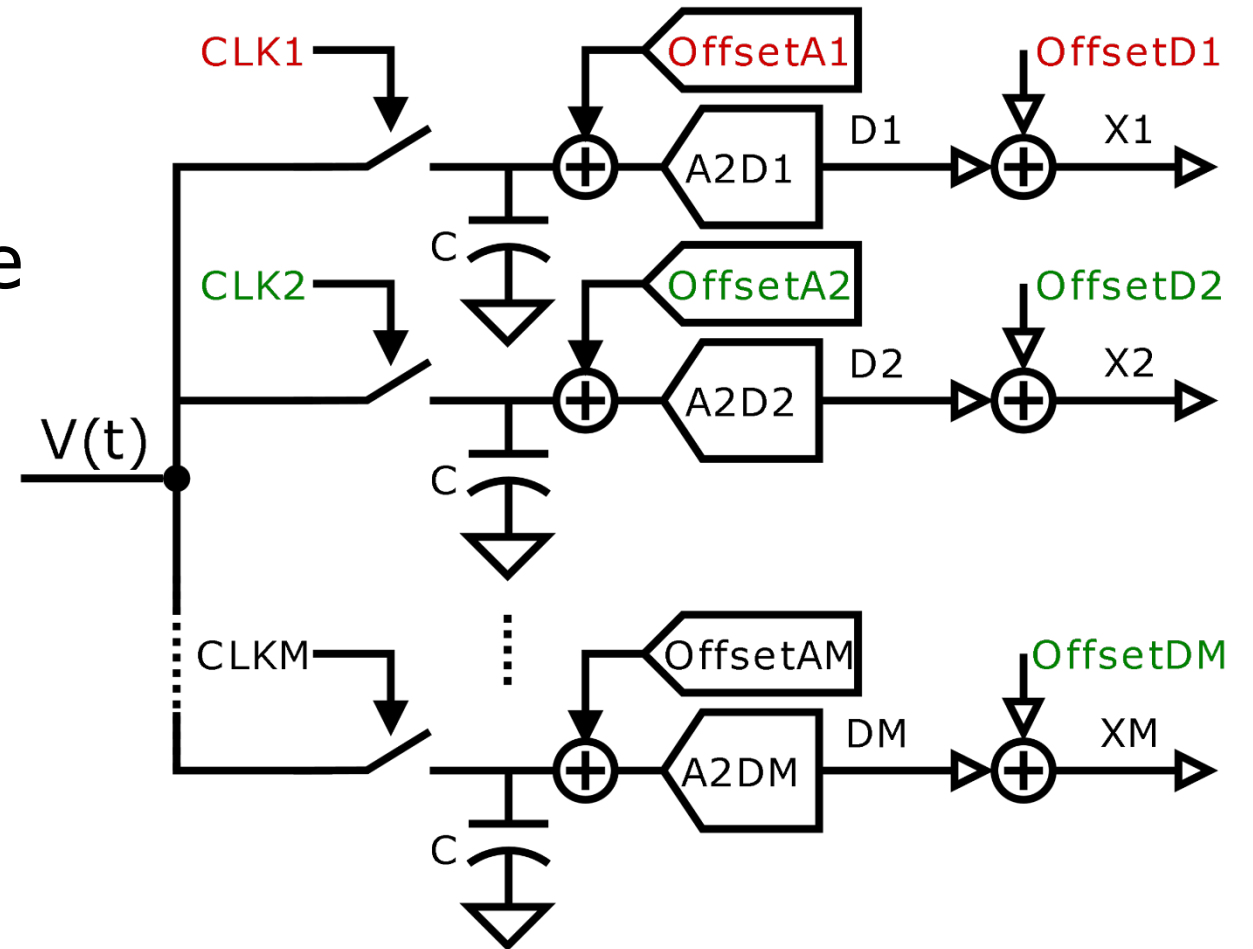
- Digital Correction
 - Add offset digitally
- ✓ Unlimited precision
- ✗ Reduces full scale range
 - ADC Clipping occurs before correction

$$\text{OffsetD}_n = -G_n O_n$$



Correcting Offset Mismatch - Analog

- ❑ Analog Correction
 - Inject offset using DAC
- ✓ Maintains full scale range
- ✗ Limited precision
- ❑ Usually combine both Analog and Digital
 - Analog Coarse
 - Digital Fine

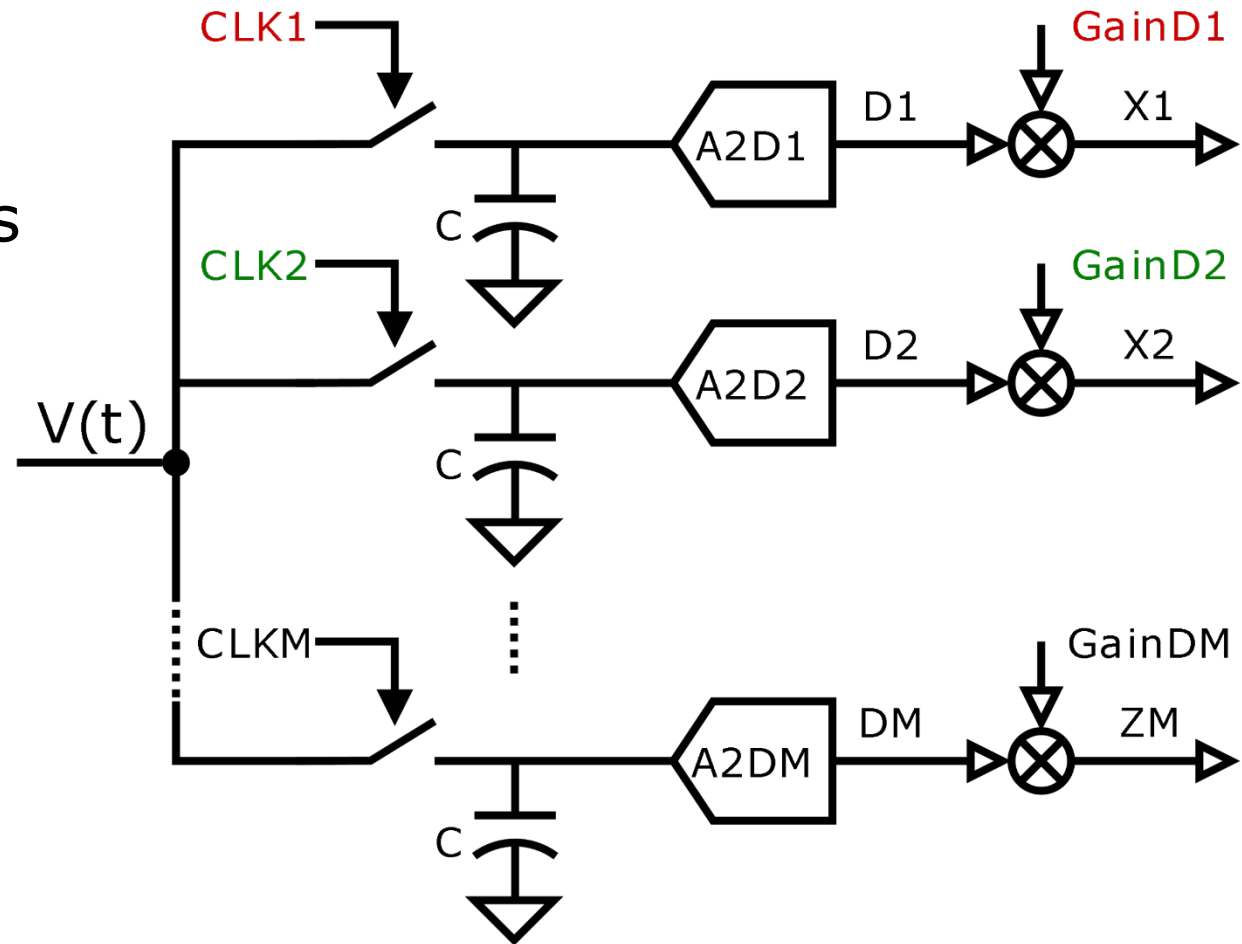


$$OffsetA_n + OffsetD_n / G_n = -O_n$$

Correcting Gain Mismatch - Digital

- Digital Correction
 - Use Digital Multipliers
- ✓ Unlimited precision
- ✗ Multipliers can be expensive

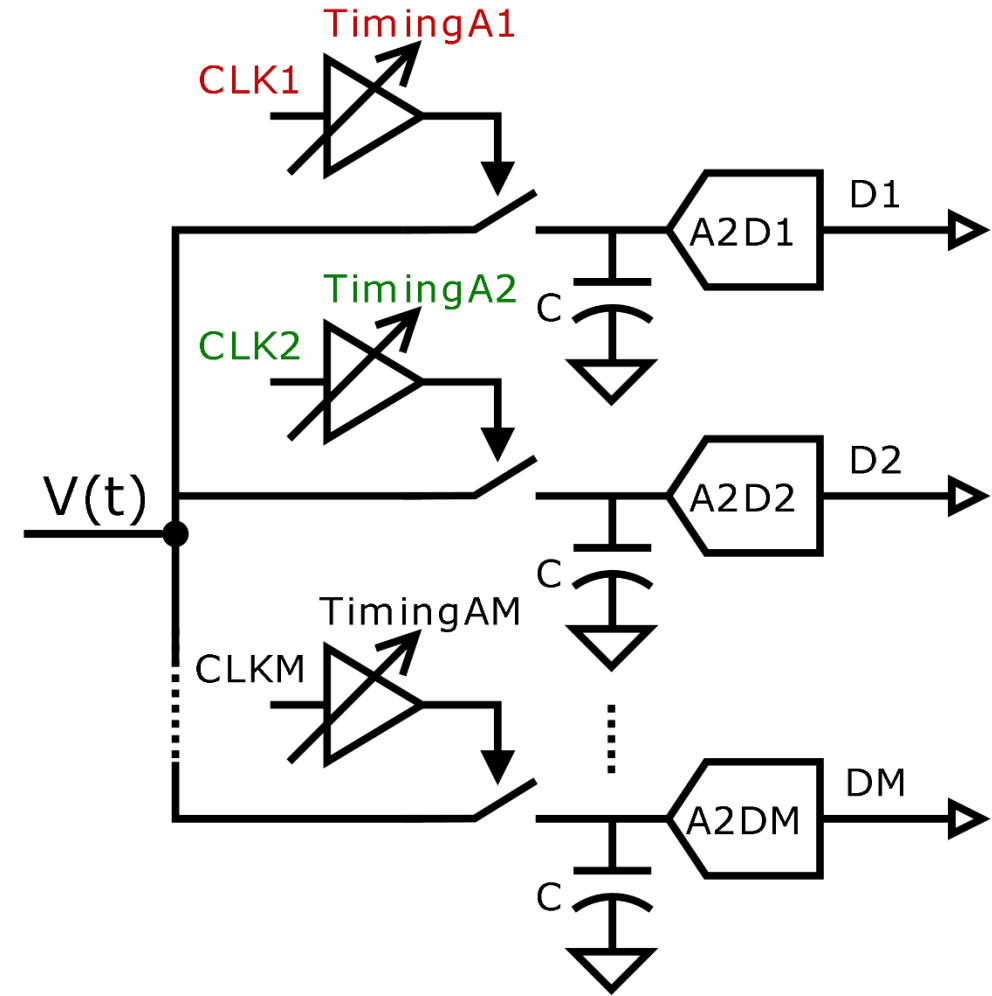
$$\text{GainDn} = G_{\text{AVG}}/G_n$$



Correcting Timing Mismatch - Analog

- Analog Correction
 - Adjustable Delay CLK Buffer
- ✓ Low cost implementation
- ✓ Can be very precise
- ✗ Extra delay in sampling clock
 - Increases random delay variation (jitter)

$$\text{TimingAn} = -t_n$$

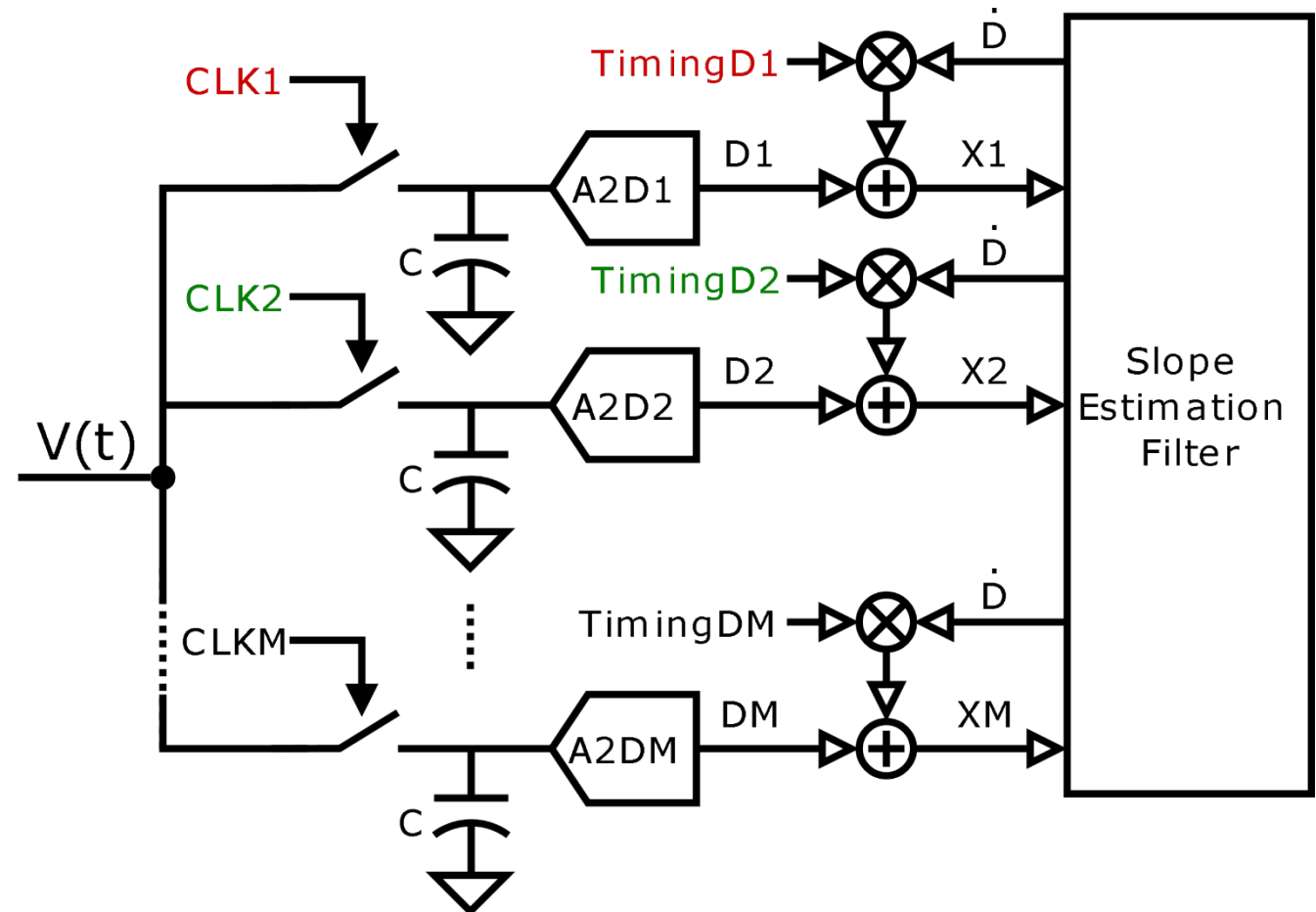


Correcting Timing Mismatch - Digital

□ Digital Correction

- Estimate Slope \dot{D}
- ✓ Simple clock path
- Lowest jitter
- ✗ Expensive DSP
- ✗ Only works in one Nyquist band
- ✗ Limited to $\sim 90\%$ of Nyquist frequency

$$\text{TimingD}_n = -t_n$$



Measuring Mismatch Errors

- How do we measure mismatch errors so they can be corrected?
 - Complex topic with a lot of active research (See Ref. [c])

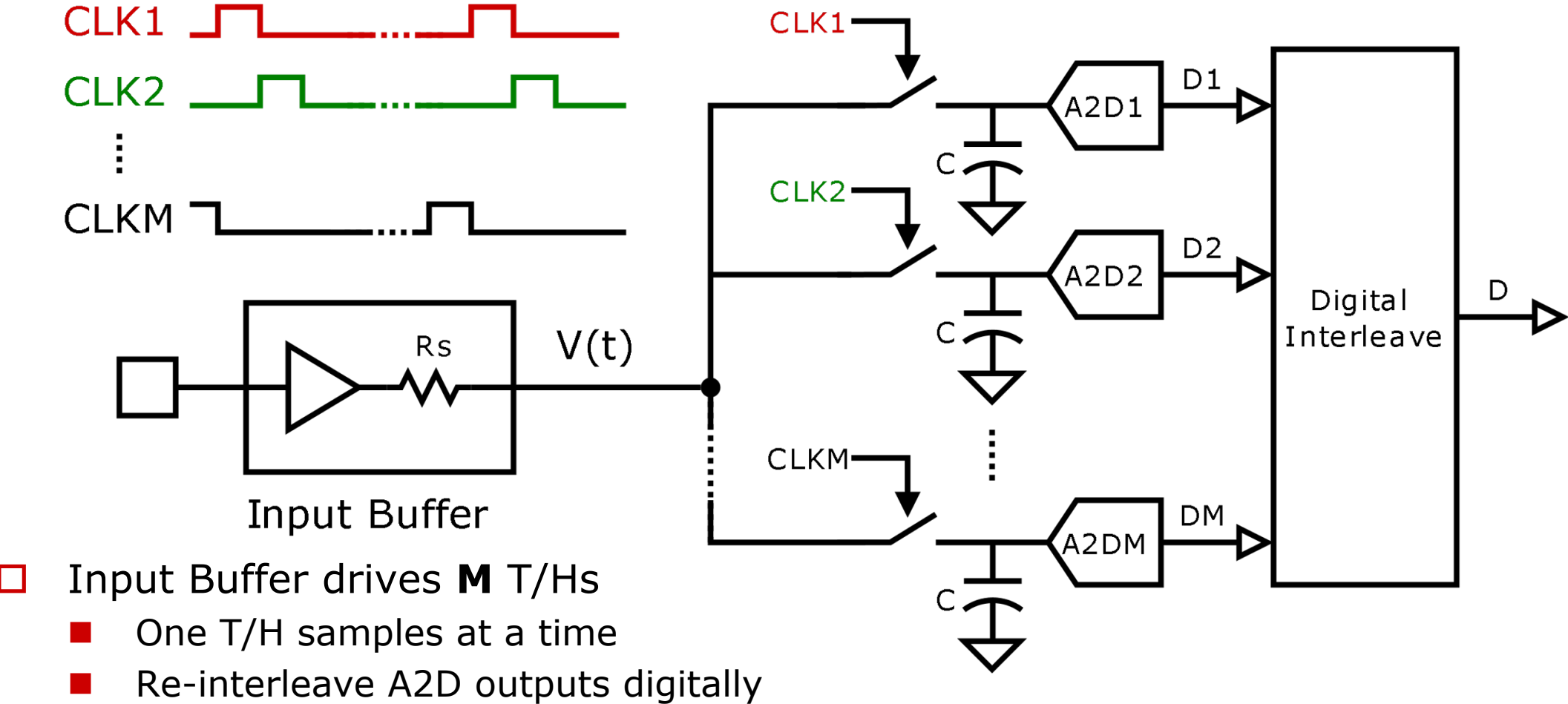
- Foreground/Offline
 - Apply known input signal $V(t)$ e.g. sinewave of known frequency.
 - Analyze output of ADC Slices for differences in offset, gain, phase.
 - Must interrupt operation to re-calibrate for temperature, supply drift etc.

- Background/Online
 - Works while ADC is converting normal signal
 - Allows tracking temperature, supply changes etc.
 - Many methods analyze statistics of ADC outputs
 - Not always robust for all input signals
 - What if the input signal looks like a mismatch error?

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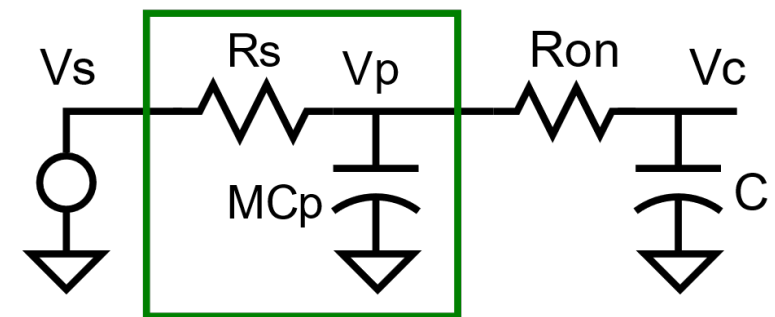
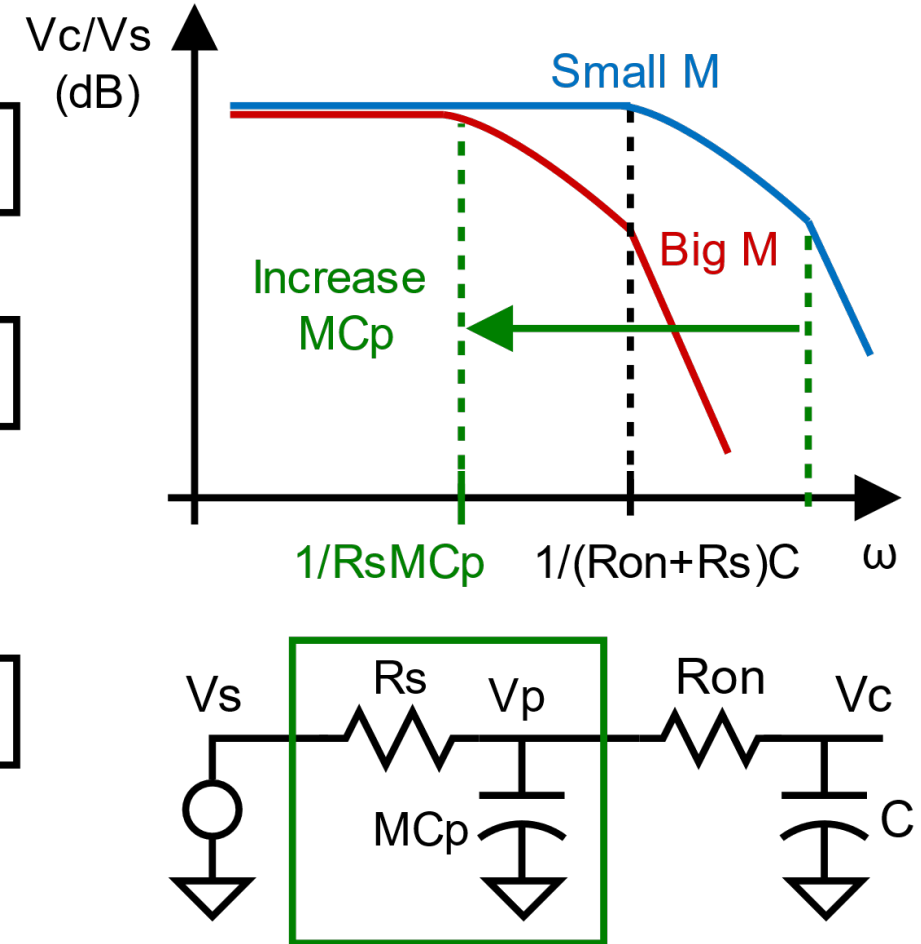
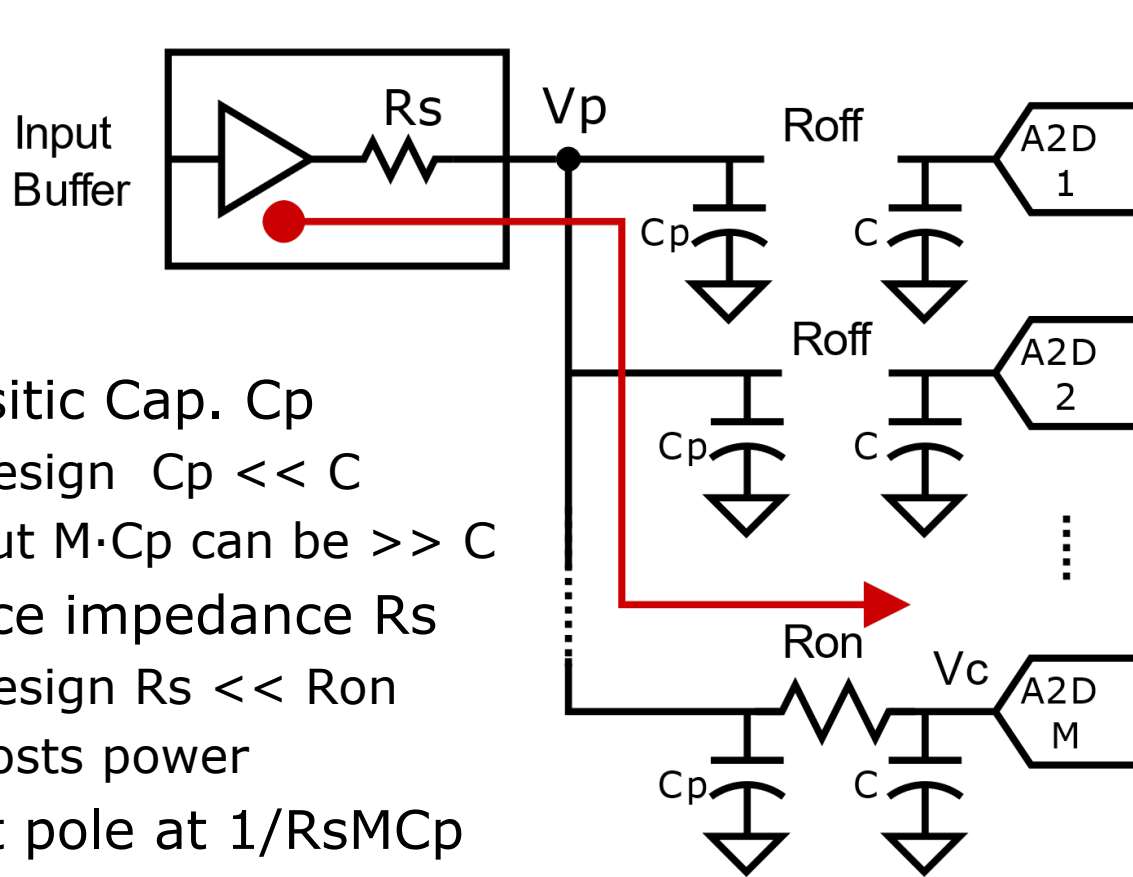
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Time-Interleaved ADC Architecture

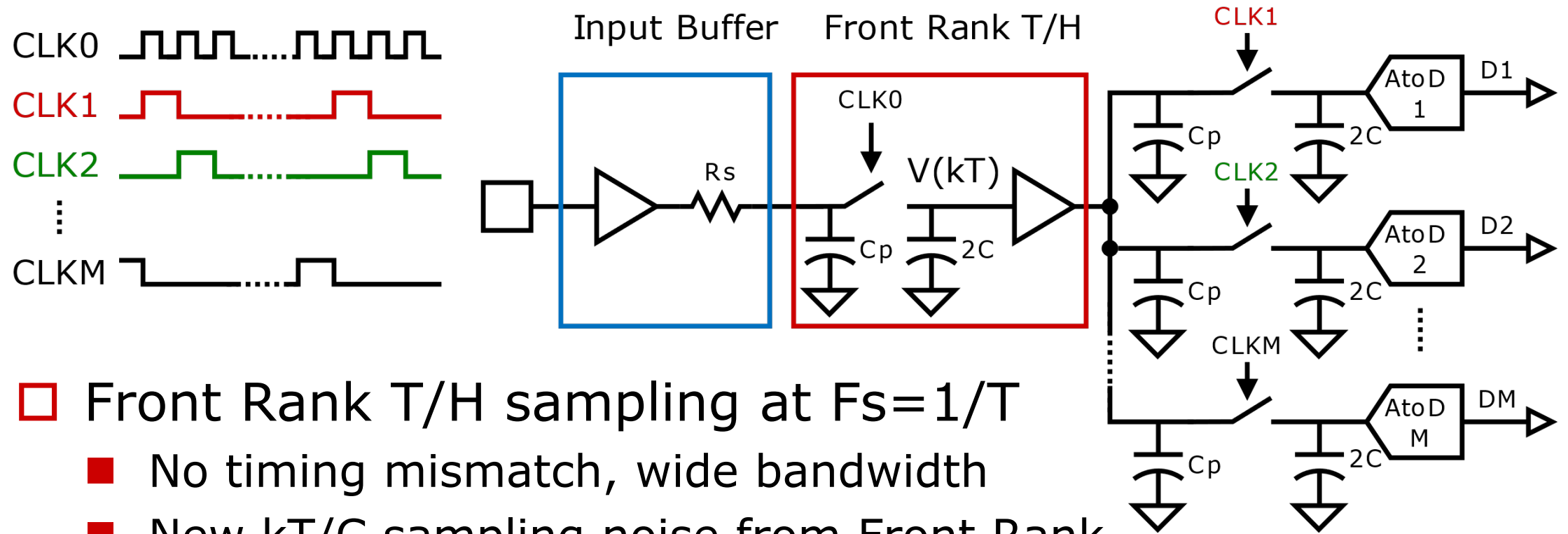


Sampling Bandwidth

- Parasitic Cap. C_p
 - Design $C_p \ll C$
 - But $M \cdot C_p$ can be $\gg C$
- Source impedance R_s
 - Design $R_s \ll R_{on}$
 - Costs power
- Input pole at $1/R_s M C_p$
 - Can limit Bandwidth!

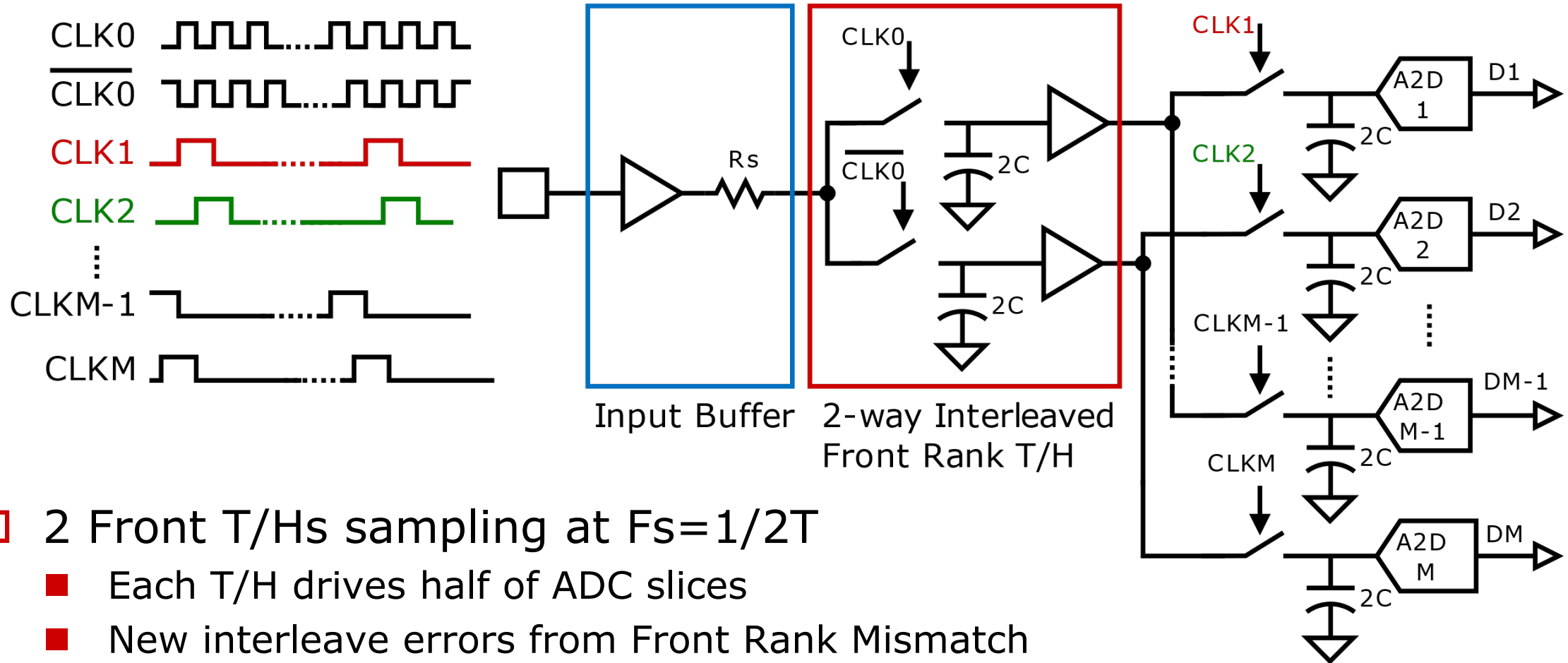


Front Rank T/H [3]



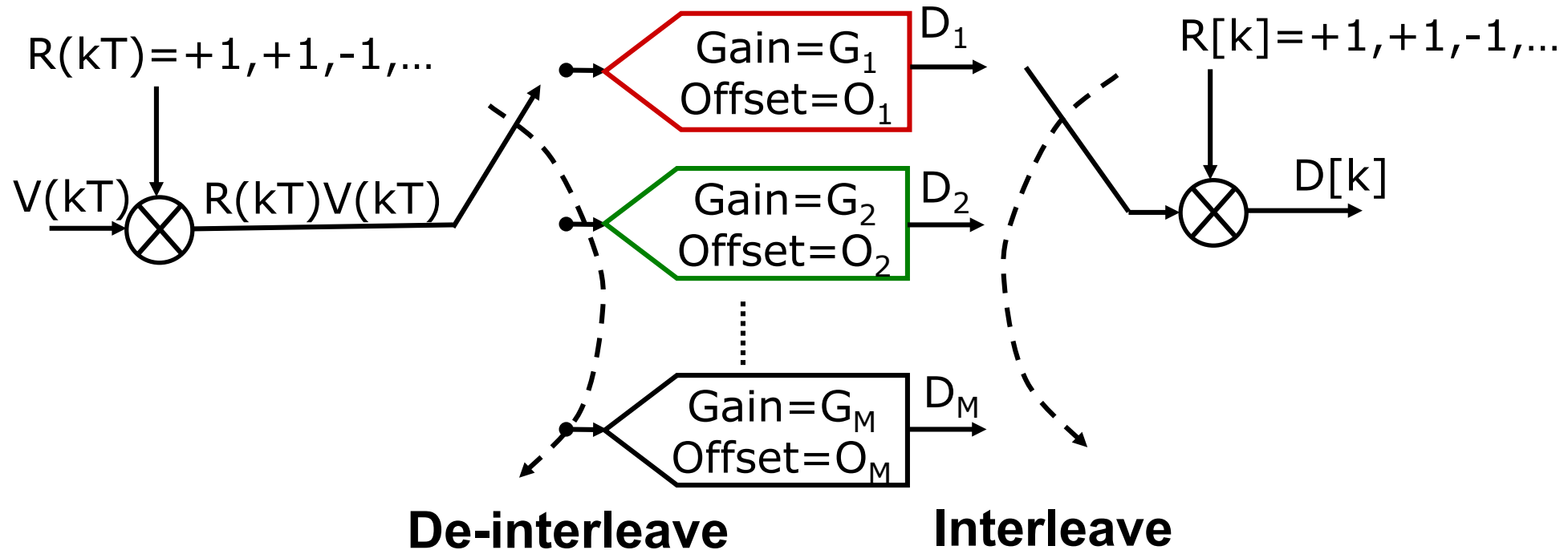
- Front Rank T/H sampling at $F_s = 1/T$
 - No timing mismatch, wide bandwidth
 - New kT/C sampling noise from Front Rank
 - E.g. ADC slice $C \Rightarrow 2C$ to keep total kT/C noise the same
 - T/H still drives M slices \Rightarrow Lots of extra power!

2-way Interleaved Front Rank T/H



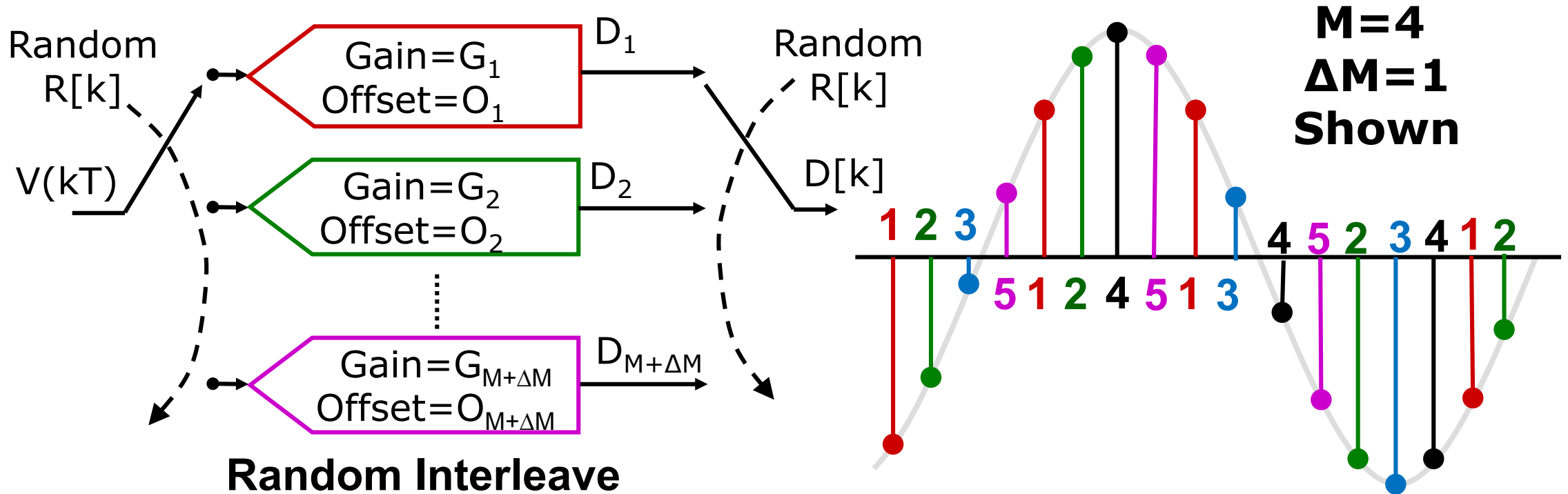
- 2 Front T/Hs sampling at $F_s = 1/2T$
 - Each T/H drives half of ADC slices
 - New interleave errors from Front Rank Mismatch
 - Can extend Front Rank interleaving to 4 or more

Random Chopping [5]



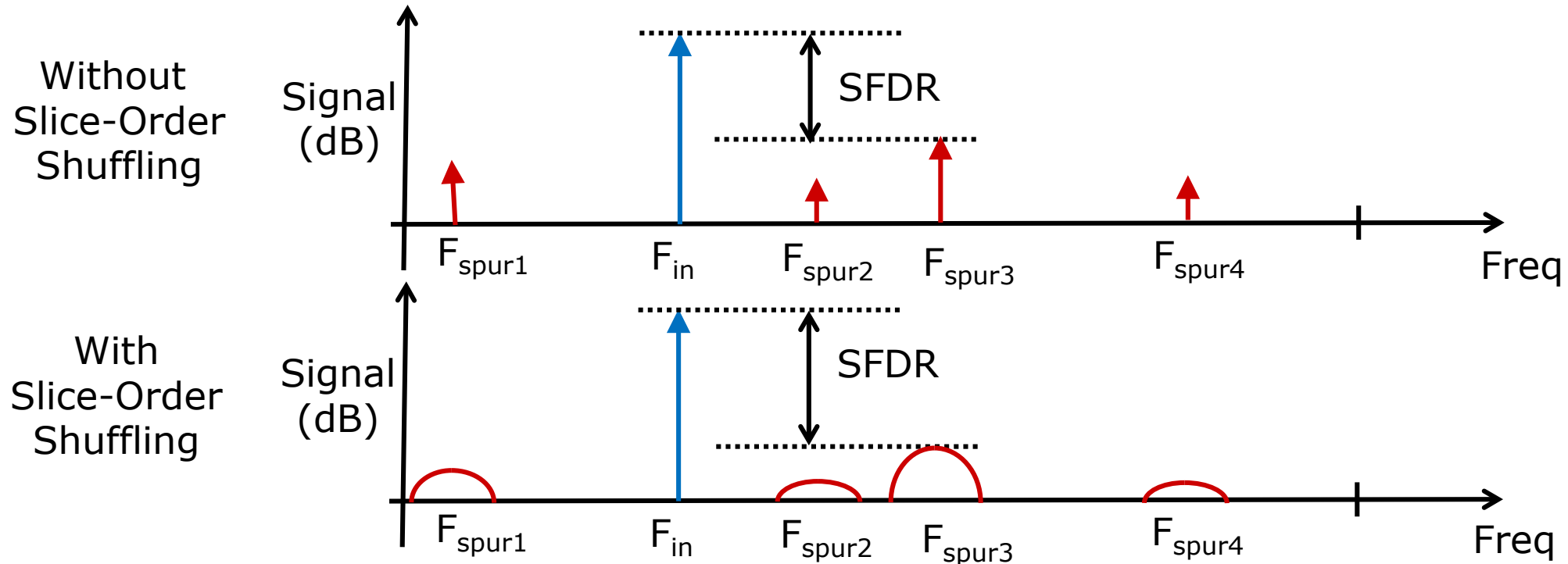
- Multiply $V(kT)$ by pseudo-random sequence $R = +/-1$ to randomize sign
- Multiply ADC output by same sequence R to restore sign ($R^2=1$)
 - Randomizes sign of offset O_n in $D[k] \Rightarrow$ No longer periodic \Rightarrow No spurs
 - Gain/Timing mismatch unaffected

Random Slice-Order Shuffling [6]



- Interleave $M+\Delta M$ ADC slices, each with MT conversion time
 - $1+\Delta M$ ADC slices available at some sample times => Extra slices needed
 - Randomize which slice is used based on pseudo-random sequence $R[k]$
 - Interleave data using same sequence $R[k]$ to get correct sample order $D[k]$

Random Slice-Order Shuffling



- Randomizing slice order spreads out spurs in Frequency
 - Improves SFDR for offset, gain and timing mismatch spurs
 - Larger $\Delta M \Rightarrow$ More ADC choices \Rightarrow More spur reduction
- Adds a lot of complexity to clock path implementation

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Summary

- Time-Interleaved ADCs are attractive for high sample rate applications
- Mismatch in ADC slices limits SNDR performance
 - Concentration of errors as spurs also limits SFDR
- Correction techniques exist to address these errors
- Front-rank T/H improve bandwidth and reduces timing mismatch errors
- Randomization techniques can spread mismatch errors in frequency to improve SFDR

ISSCC 2020 – Papers of Interest

Suggested papers based on Advance Program:

□ Session 16

- Paper 16.1 is an 18GS/s 12-bit ADC
 - 8-way time-interleaved pipelined ADCs
 - 2-way time-interleaved front-rank T/H with optional randomization
- Paper 16.2 is a 10GS/s 8-bit ADC
 - 4-way time-interleaved time-domain ADCs

□ Session 6

- Paper 6.1 is a 112Gb/s PAM-4 Wireline Transceiver
 - Uses a 36-Way time-interleaved 56GS/s SAR ADC

Further Reading

- Other tutorials and overviews:
 - a) B. Murmann, "A/D converter circuit and architecture design for high-speed data communication," Proceedings of the IEEE 2013 Custom Integrated Circuits Conference, San Jose, CA, 2013, pp. 1-78
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 - c) K. C. Dyer et al., "Calibration and Dynamic Matching in Data Converters: Part 2: Time-Interleaved Analog-to-Digital Converters and Background-Calibration Challenges," in IEEE Solid-State Circuits Magazine, vol. 10, no. 3, pp. 61-70, Summer 2018
- These tutorials provide good overviews of this topic
 - References b) and c) also provide a comprehensive list of primary references

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