

RF Instrumentation

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Science and PhD courses only

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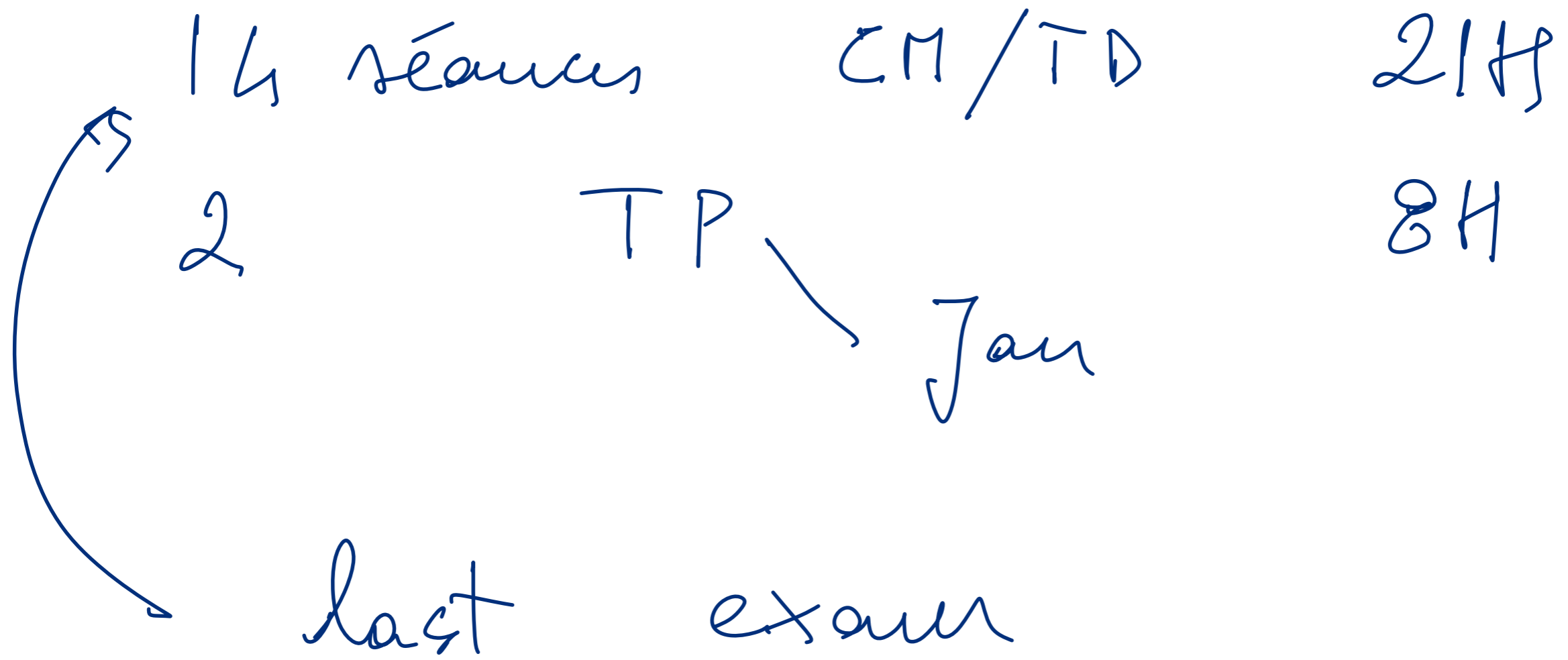
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PUBLICATIONS

Regular courses

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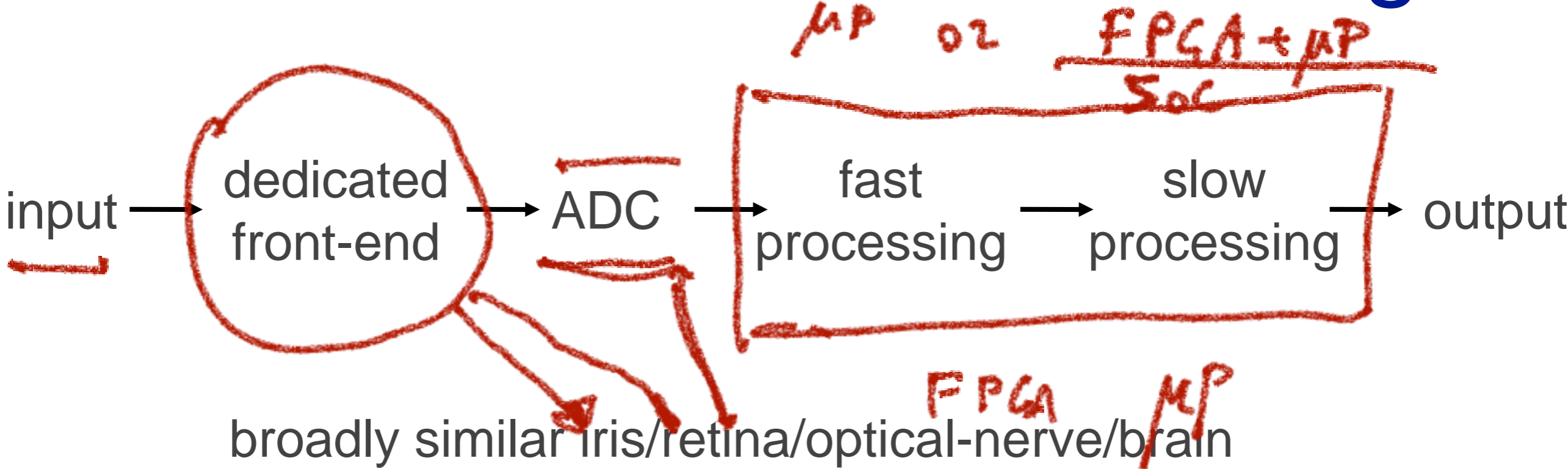
Digital Instruments

1.5 Hours

#1 Thursday, Sept 10, 2020

1.5 Hours

Where Are Instruments Going?



broadly similar iris/retina/optical-nerve/brain

FIXED POINT

Moore Law: describes exponentially growing technology

12-bit converters – from my memory (years may not be accurate)

- 1985-1990 15-20 MS/s
- 2005 250 MS/s
- 2018 12 GS/s

System on Chip
 FPGA + μP
 (ADC/DAC + FPGA + μP)

Dedicated Front-End

RF

ADC a few GHz

- fast
- low impedance
- 30 - 300 Ω
- 50 - 100 Ω

Charge C
Current I

guided propagation

$Z \sim \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon}}$

$\sqrt{\mu_0/\epsilon_0} = 377 \Omega$

$\mu \approx \mu_0$

$\epsilon > \epsilon_0$

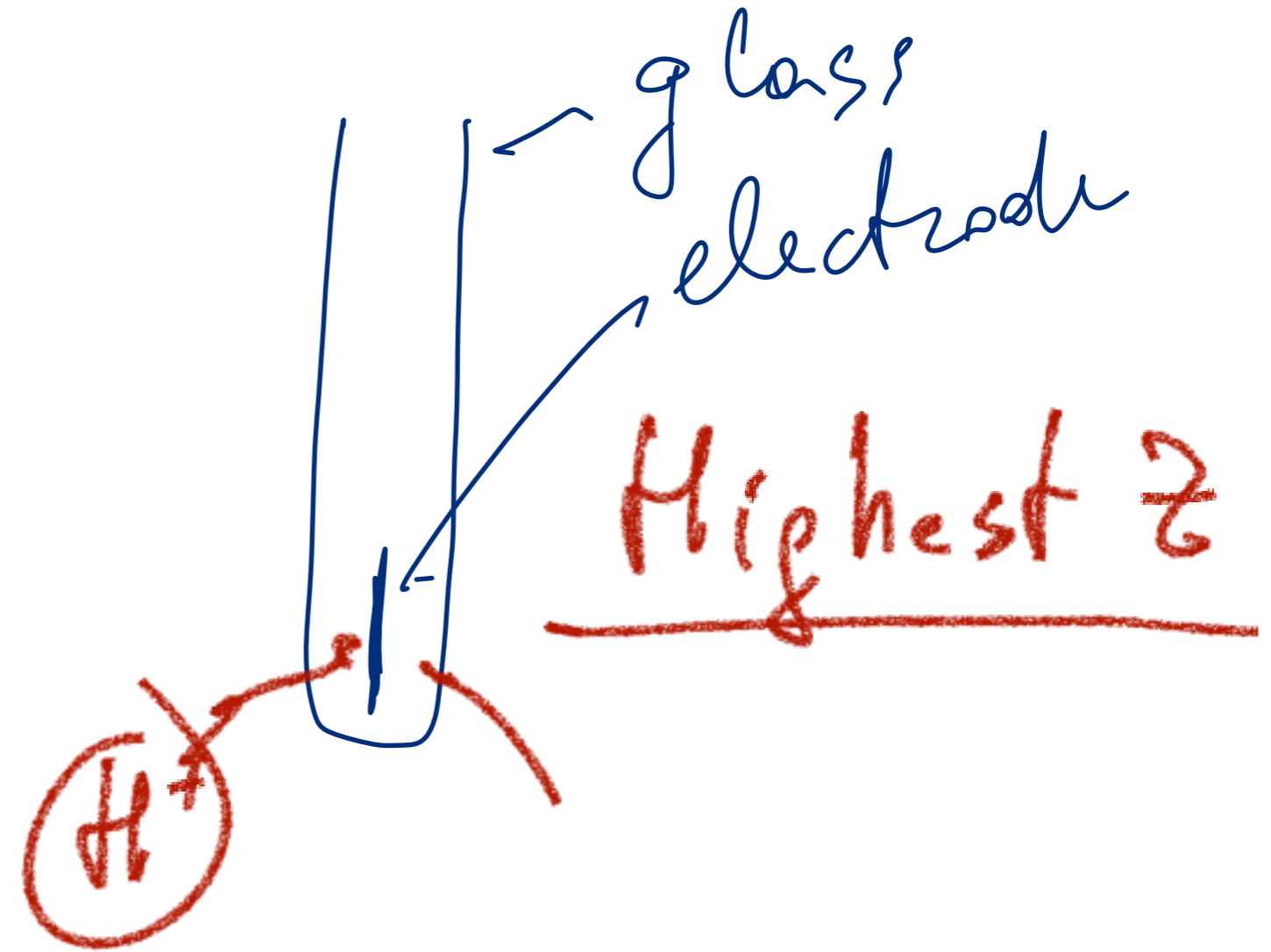
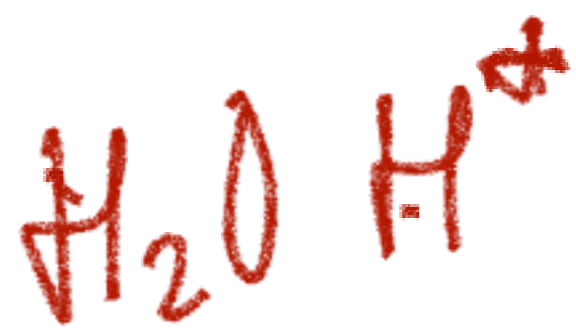
Dedicated Front-End

PH

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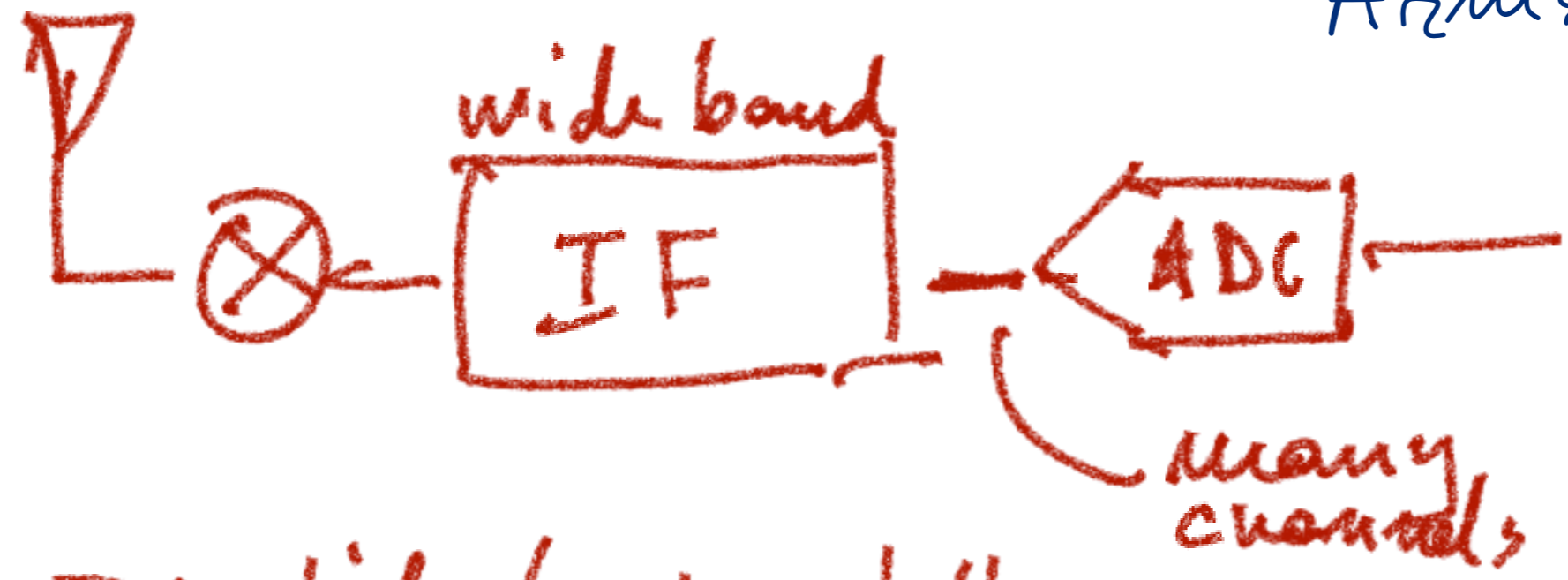
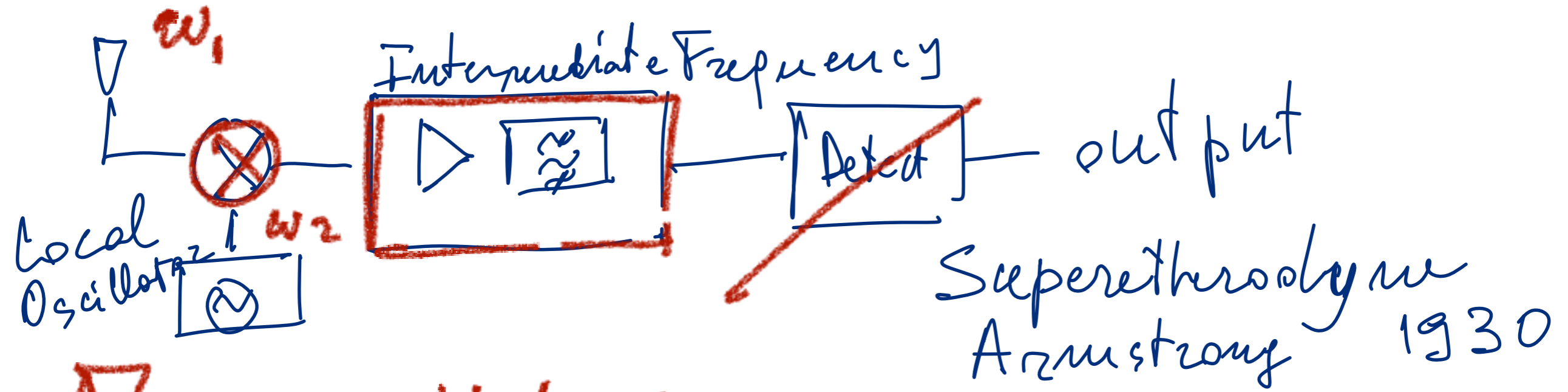
$\frac{\text{Protons}}{\text{mole}}$

Volume?



Where Are Telecom Going?

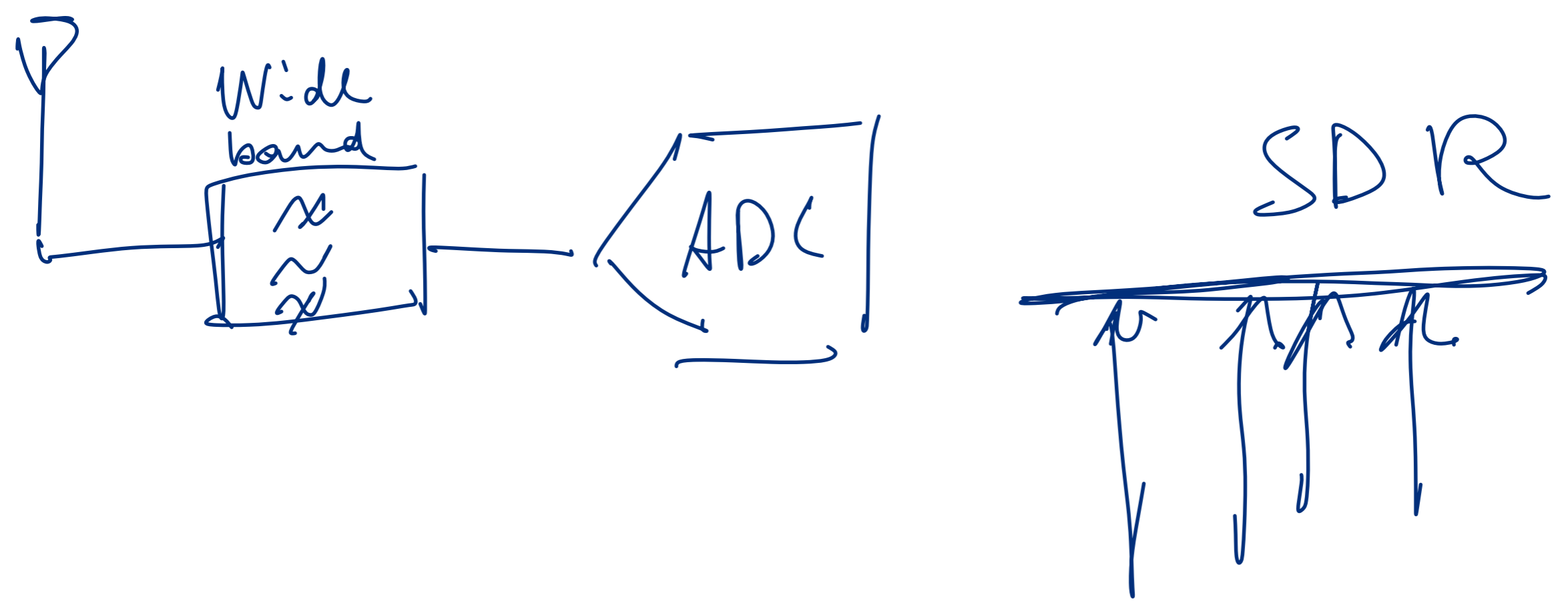
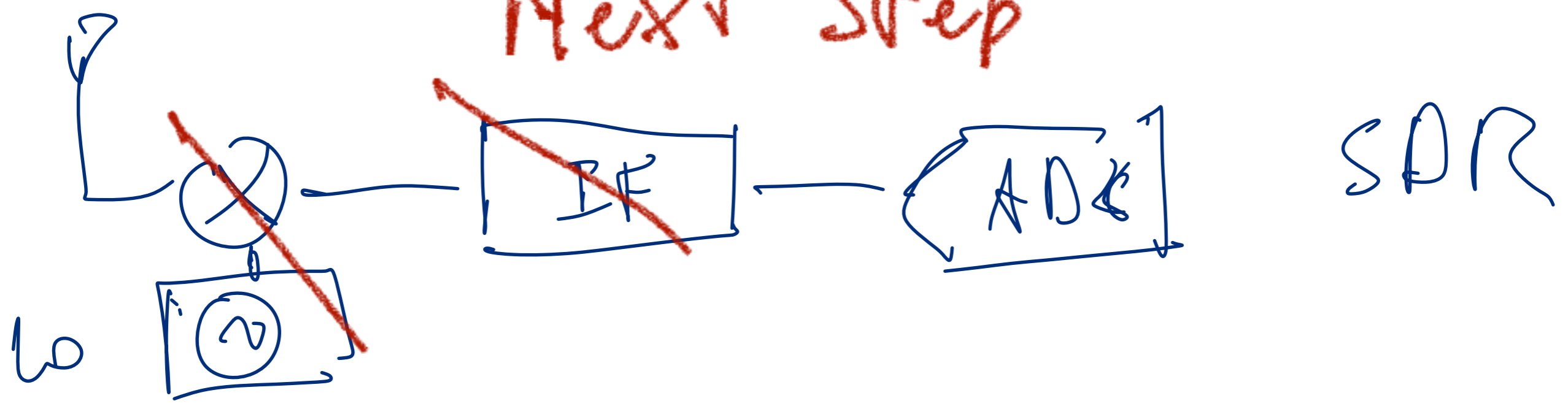
Need for down conversion progressively removed



Identify/extract the channels in software

SDR = Software Defined Radio
Jean Michel Friedt

Next Step



most figures are from

ANALOG-DIGITAL CONVERSION

Walt Kester

Editor



1138 pages
© AD, but free

RF Microelectronics

Second Edition



Behzad Razavi

Prentice Hall Communications Engineering and Emerging Technologies Series
Theodore S. Rappaport, Series Editor

Useful textbook
(950 pages)

Useful textbook
recent (2015)
1225 pages

*1 chapter
Analog meets Digital*

*for
experimentalists*



**THIRD
EDITION**

Useful textbook
elderly (2002) but great
1544 pages

German soul

Electronic Circuits

Handbook for Design
and Applications

U. Tietze
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EXTRAS ONLINE

 Springer

Conversion Basics

Analog to Digital Conversion

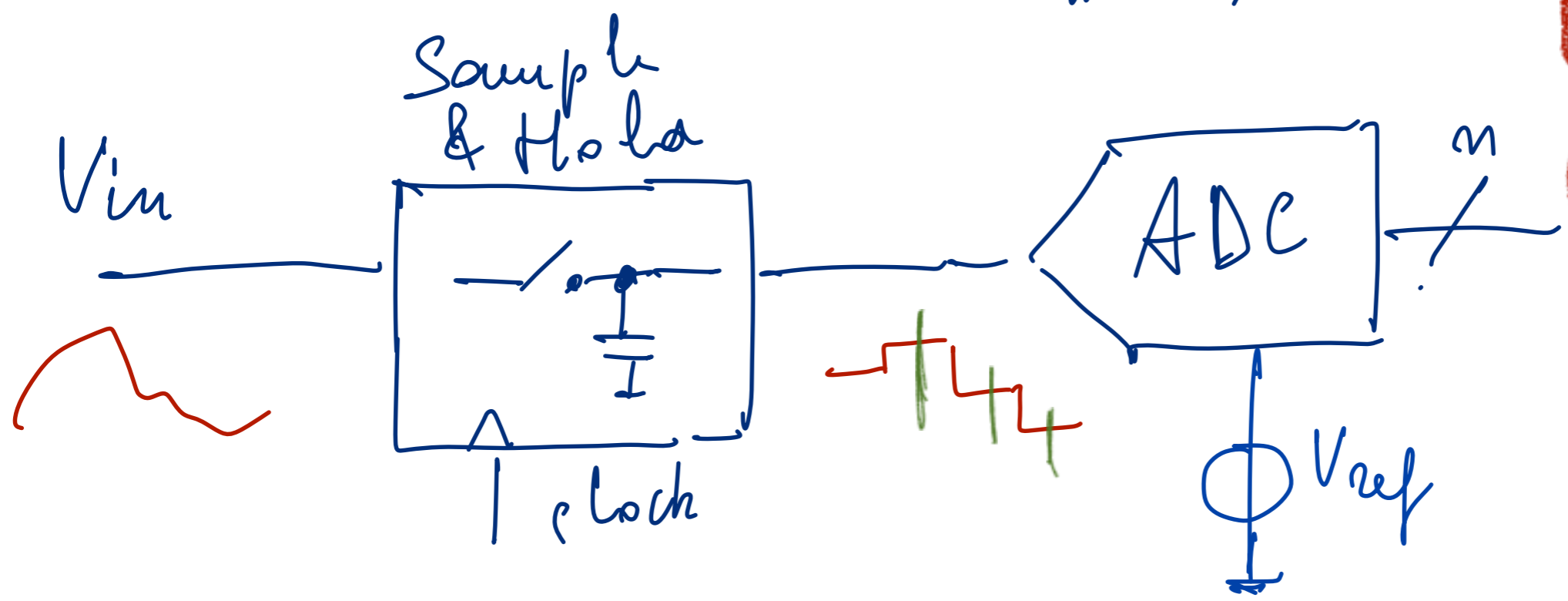
Basic scheme, with S/H, ADC, Href

$V_{in} \rightarrow N$

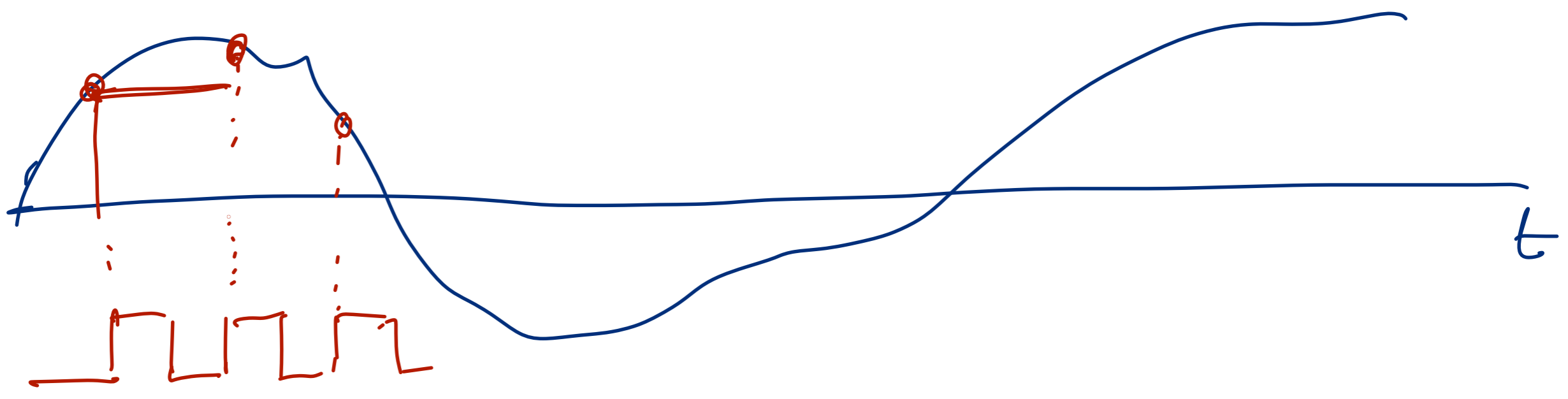
n bits

$$N \approx K \frac{V_{in}}{V_{ref}}$$

nint()



V_{LSB}



End of lecture 1

#2 Thursday, Sept 17, 2020

1.5 Hours

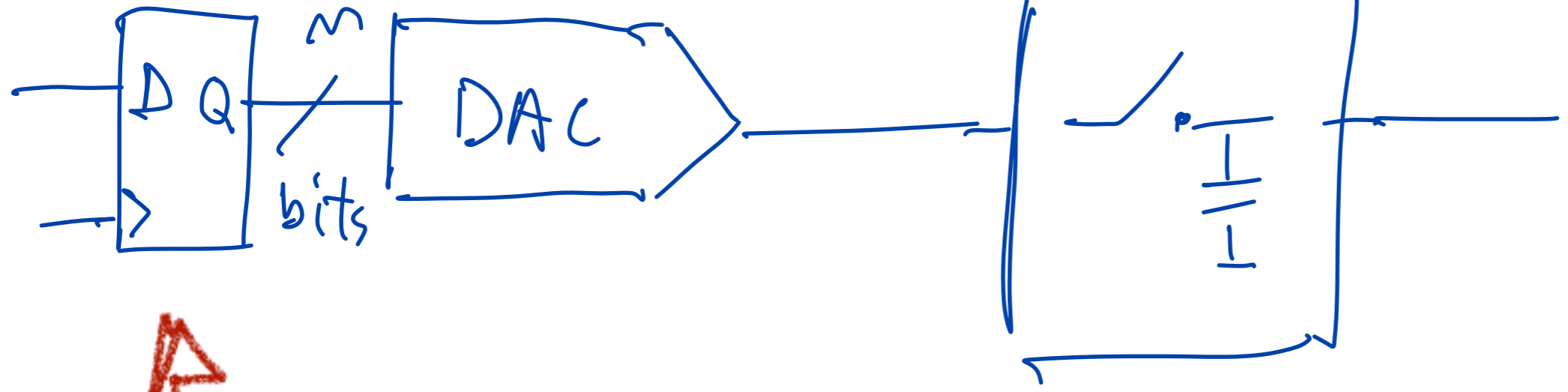
Digital to Analog Conversion

Basic scheme, with ADC, Vref, S/H,

both in/out must be stable

D-Type or latch

Sample & hold

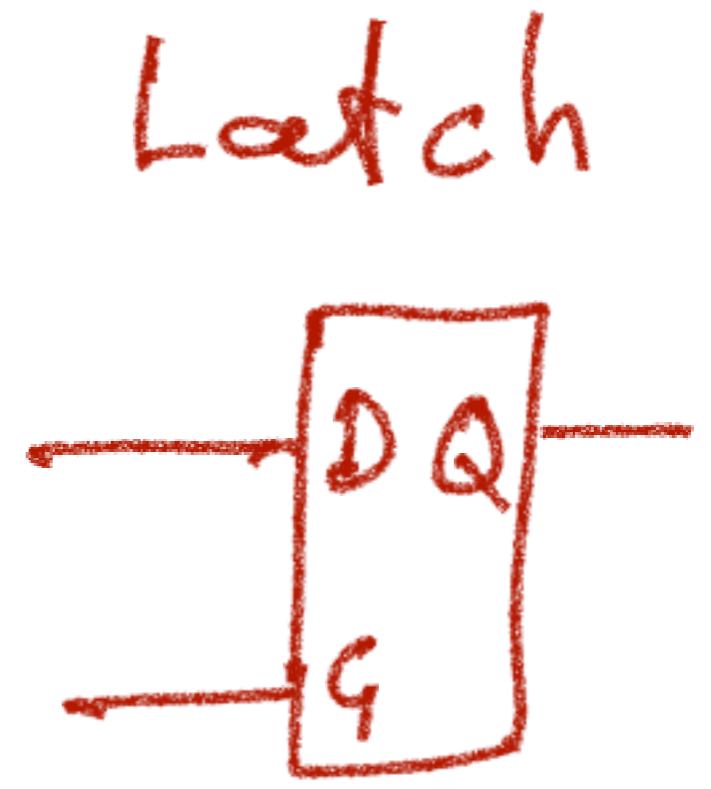
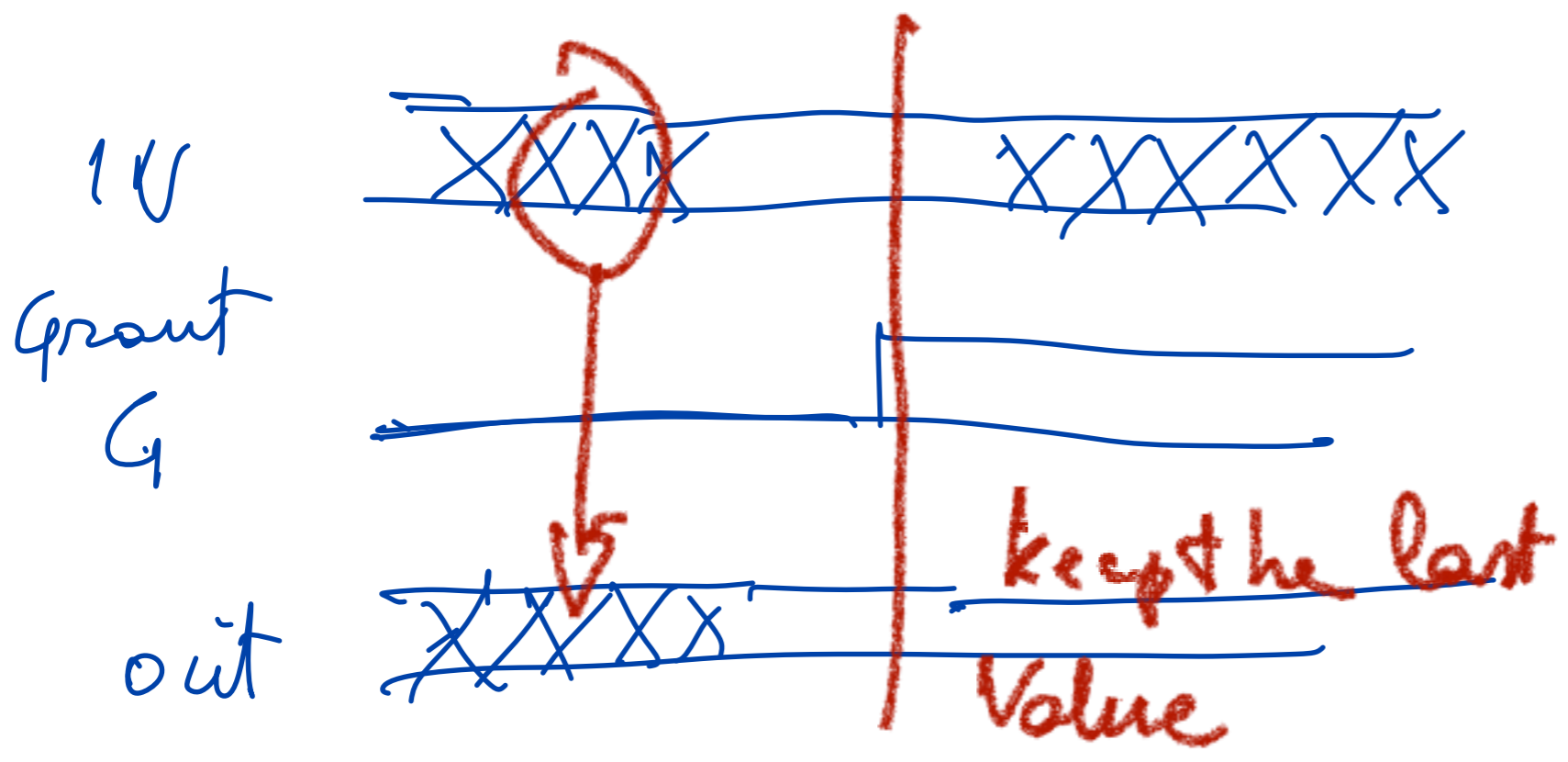
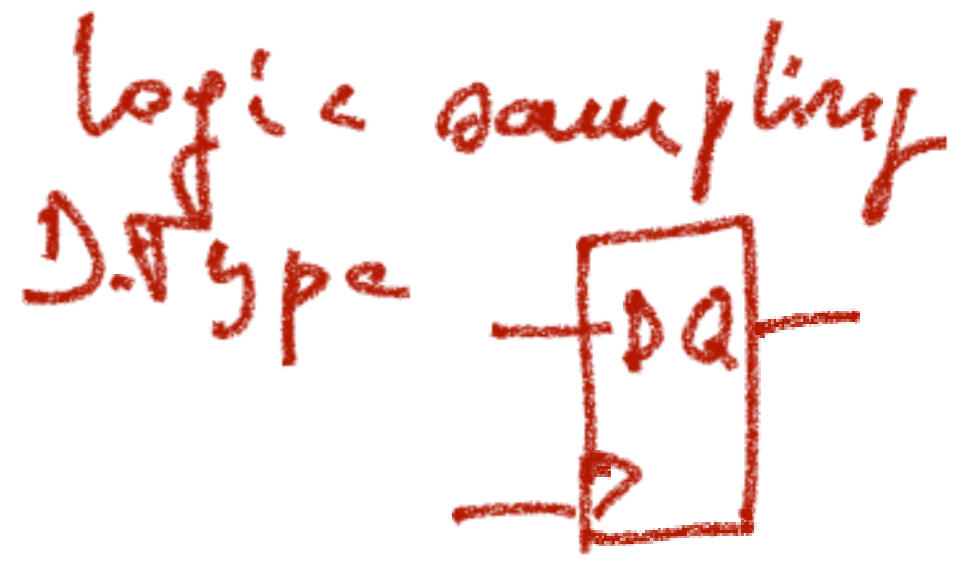
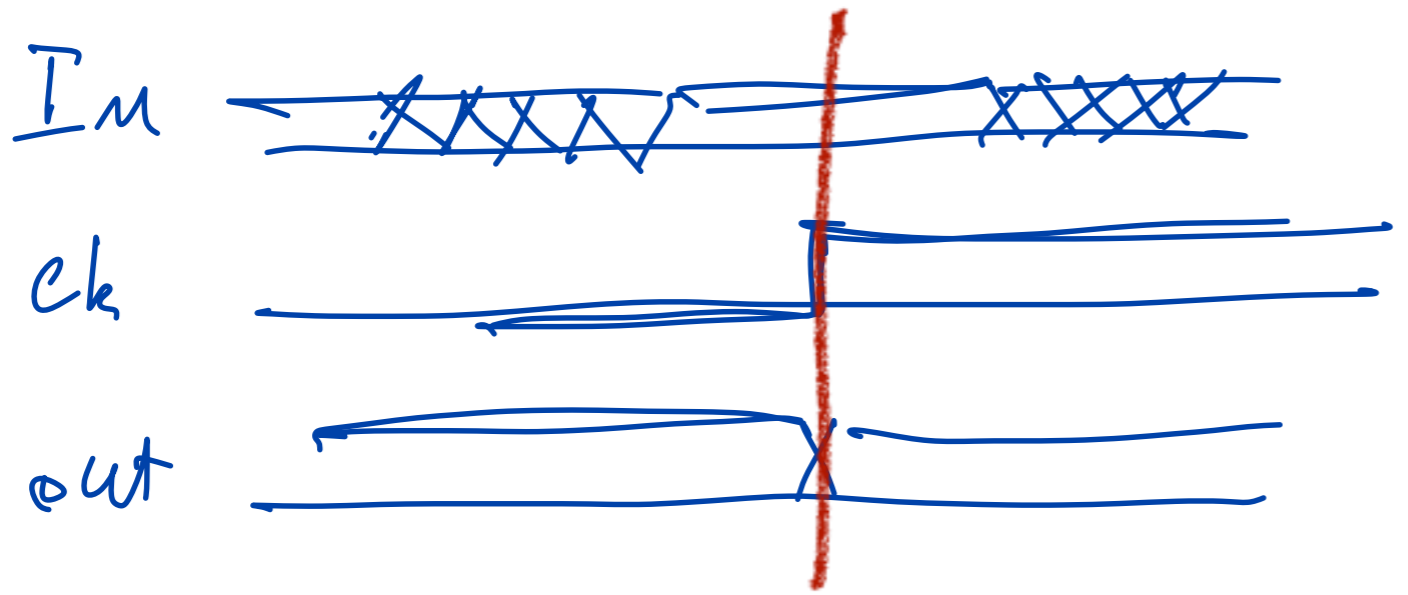


n bits

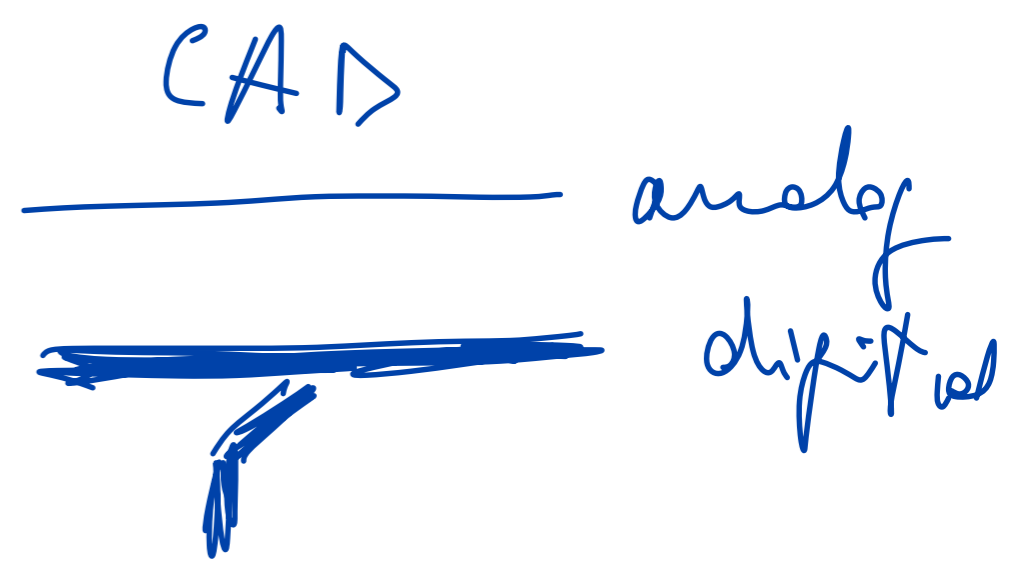
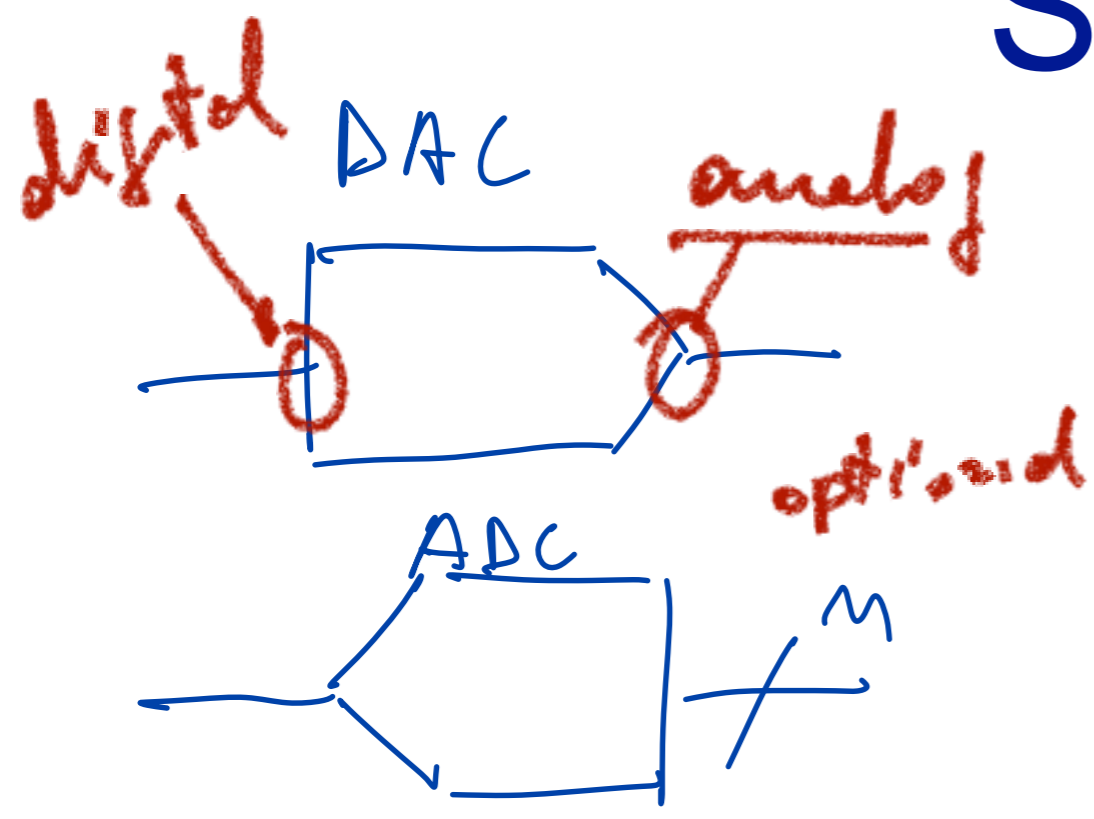
N values

$$N = 2^n$$

D-Type FF vs Latch

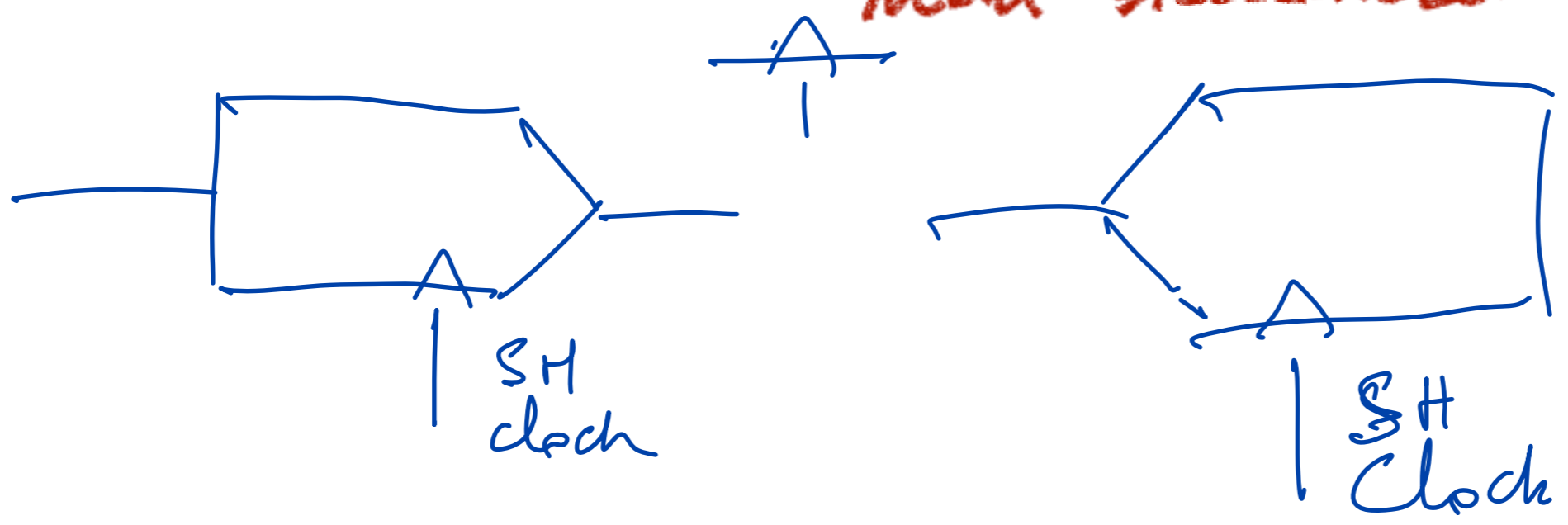


Symbols



Often latch and S/H inside
FF-D

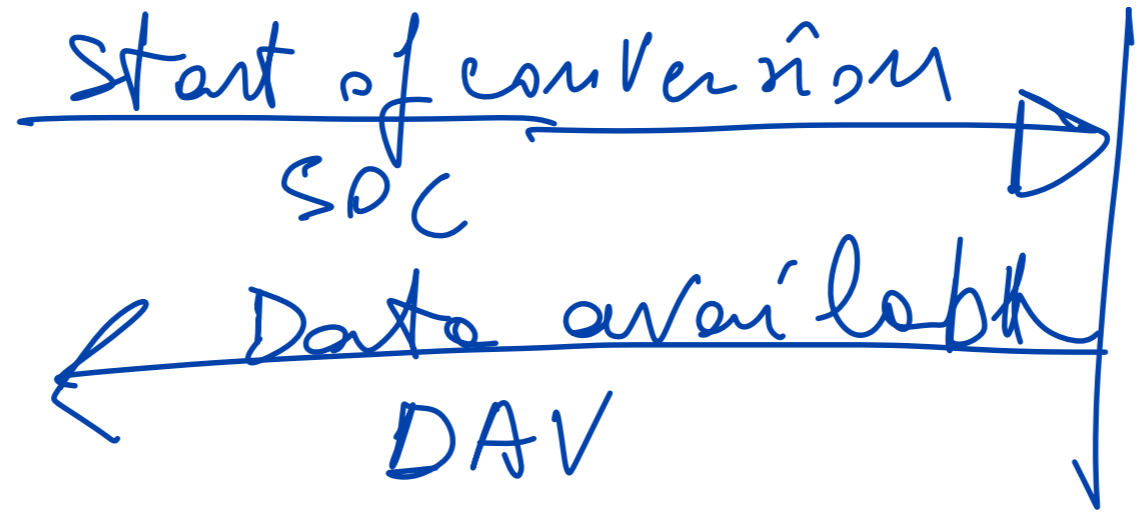
non-standard



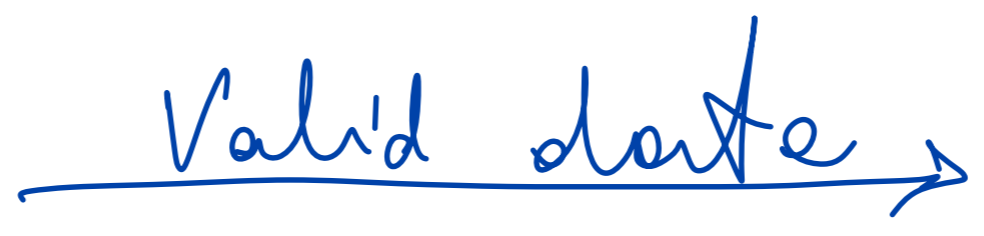
Timing and Protocol

Communication

ADC

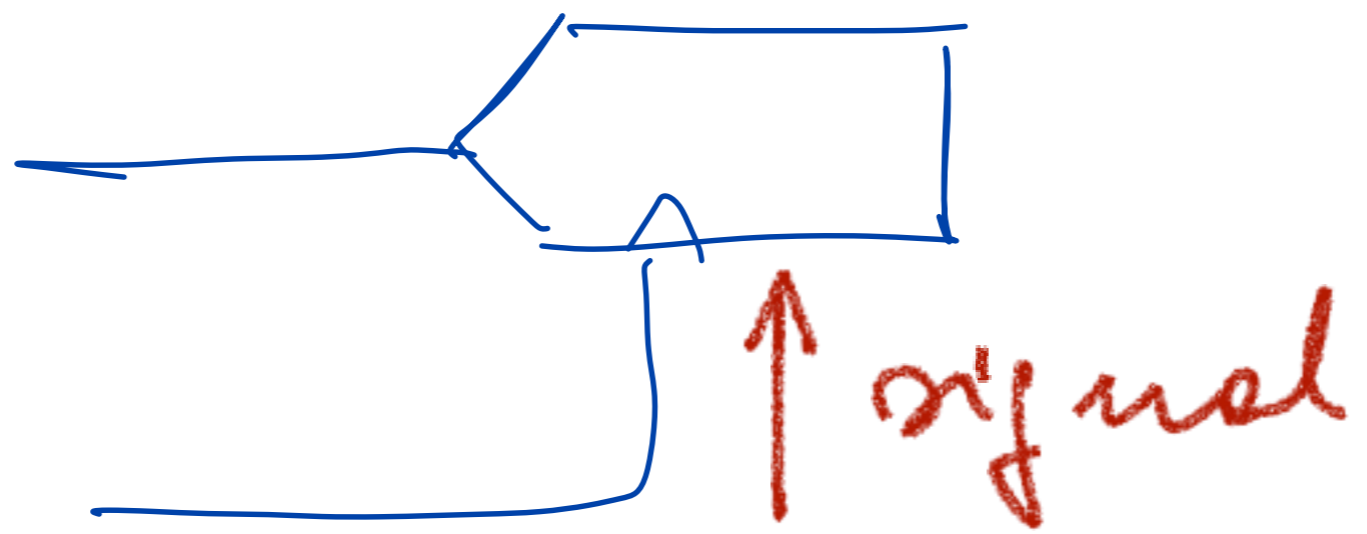
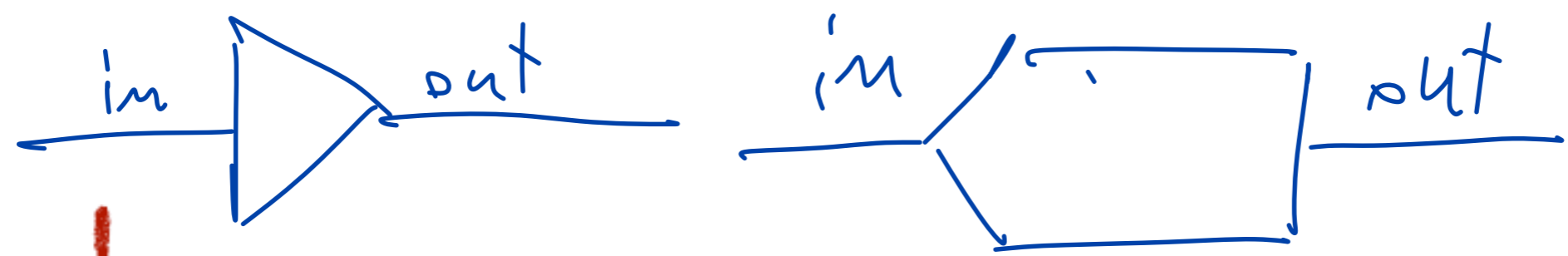


DAI



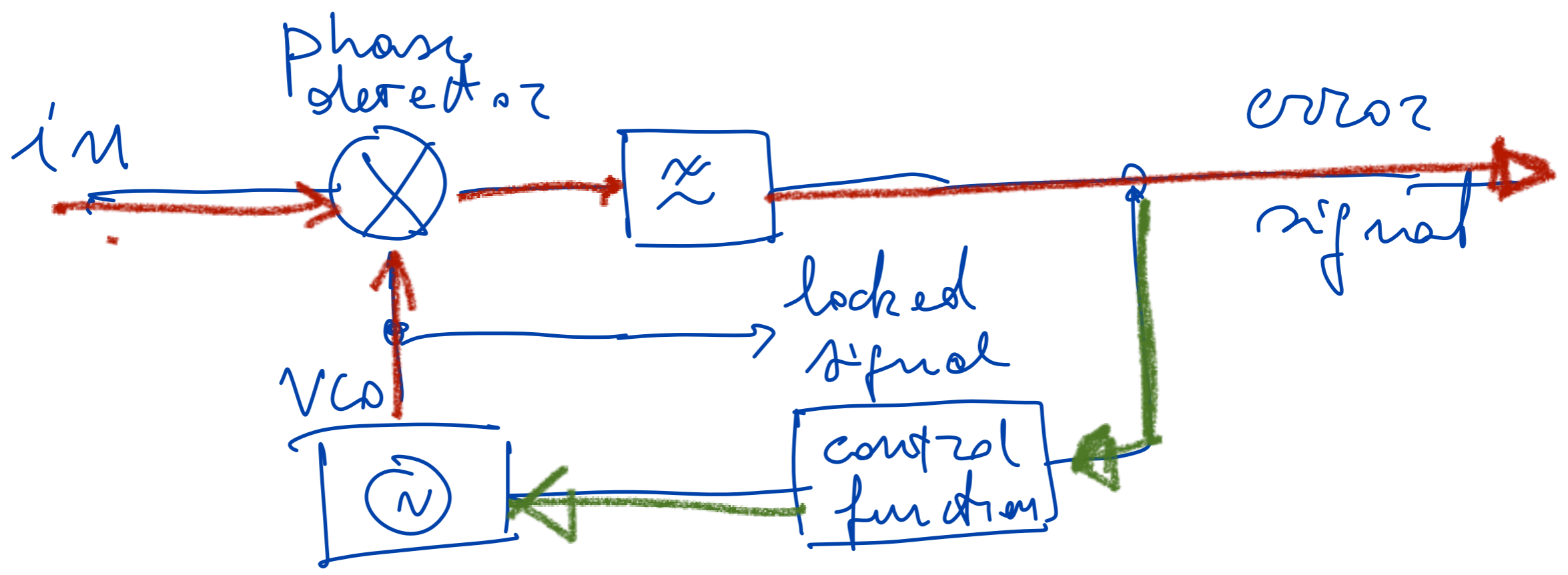
Drawing Rules

Make schematics clear



Feedback → change direction

PLL

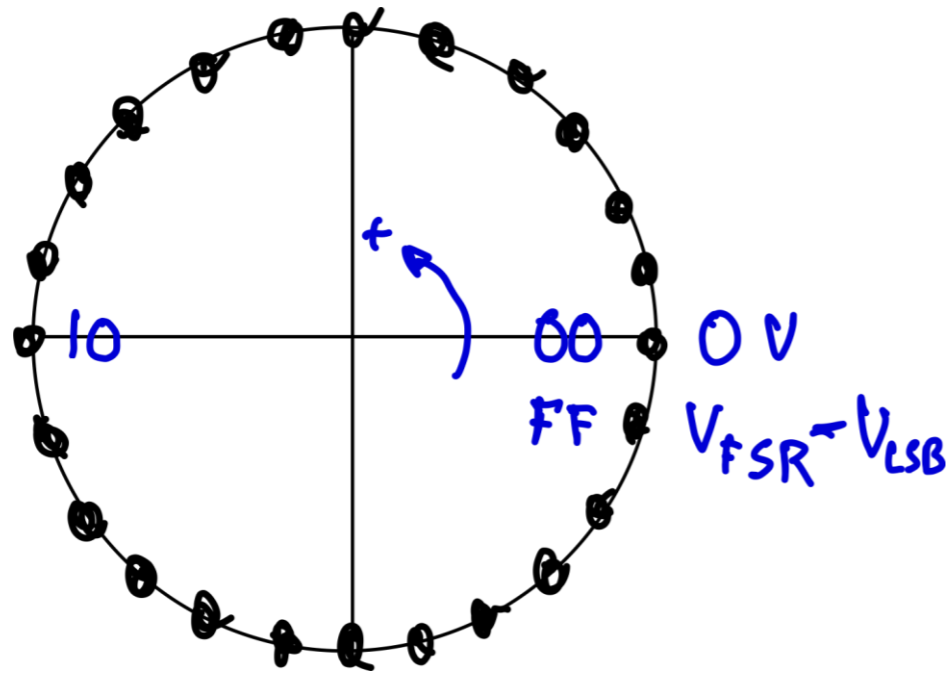


main path
feedback

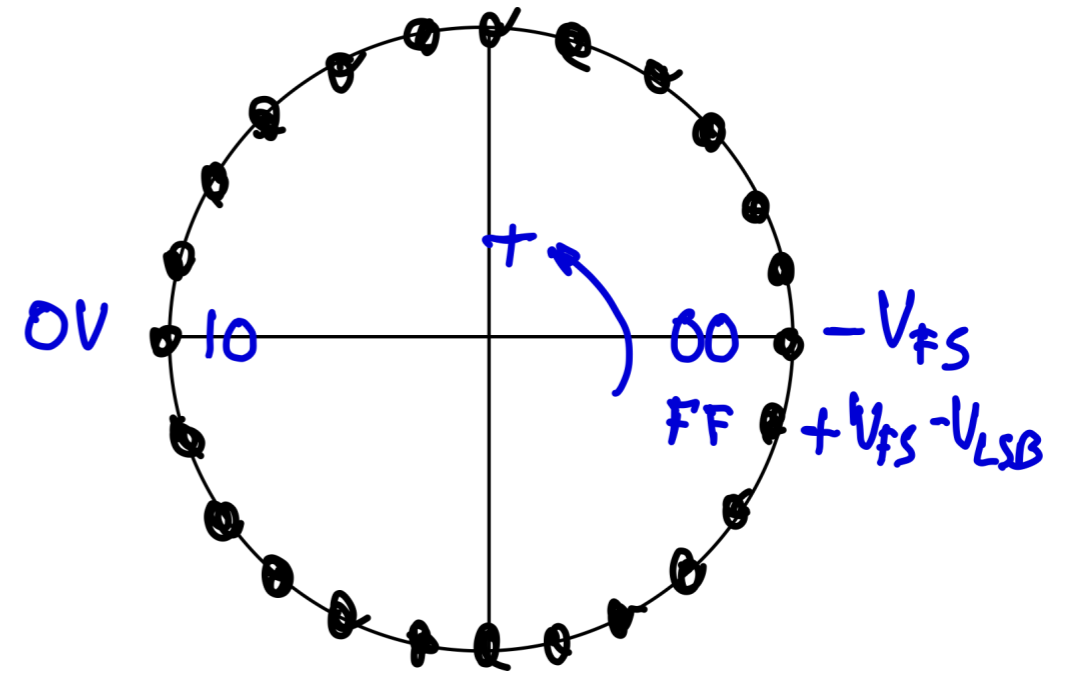
Horowitz & Hill

Binary Integer Numbers

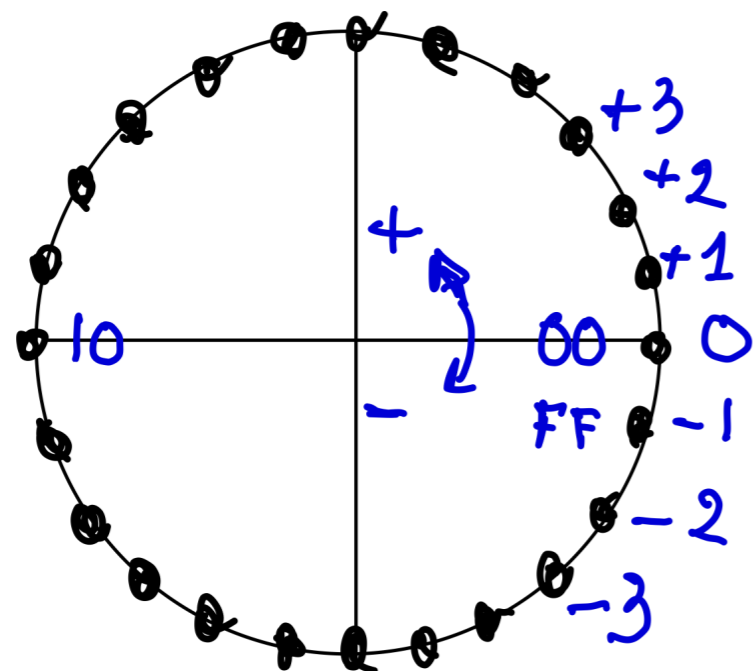
Integer
Computers & ADC/DAC



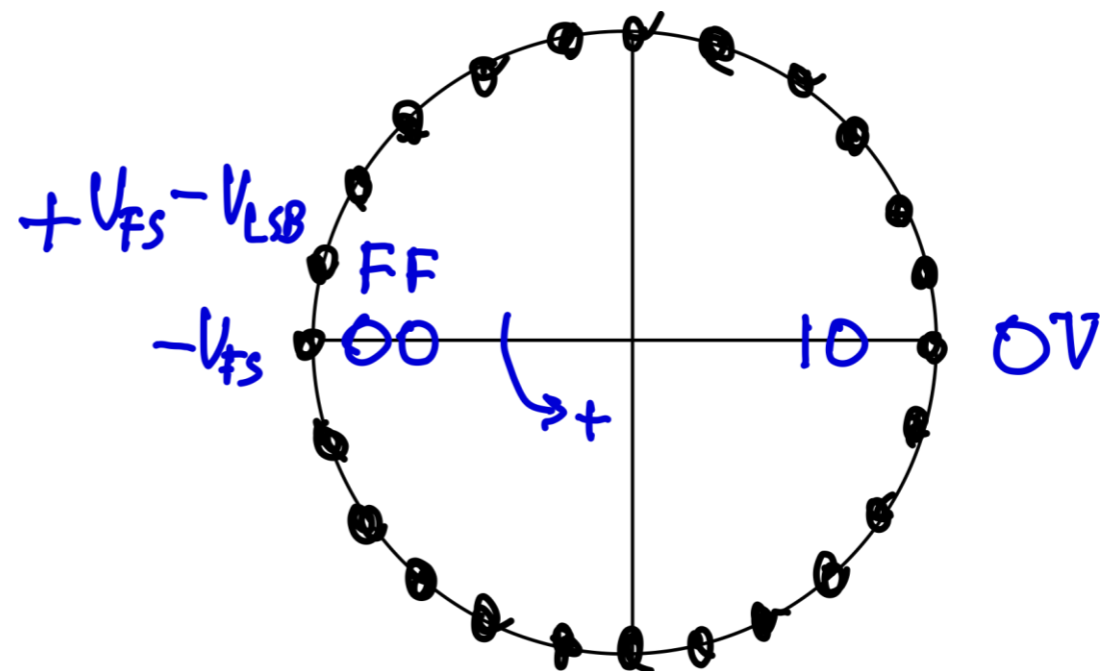
Offset binary
Computers & ADC/DAC



Two's complement integer
computers only

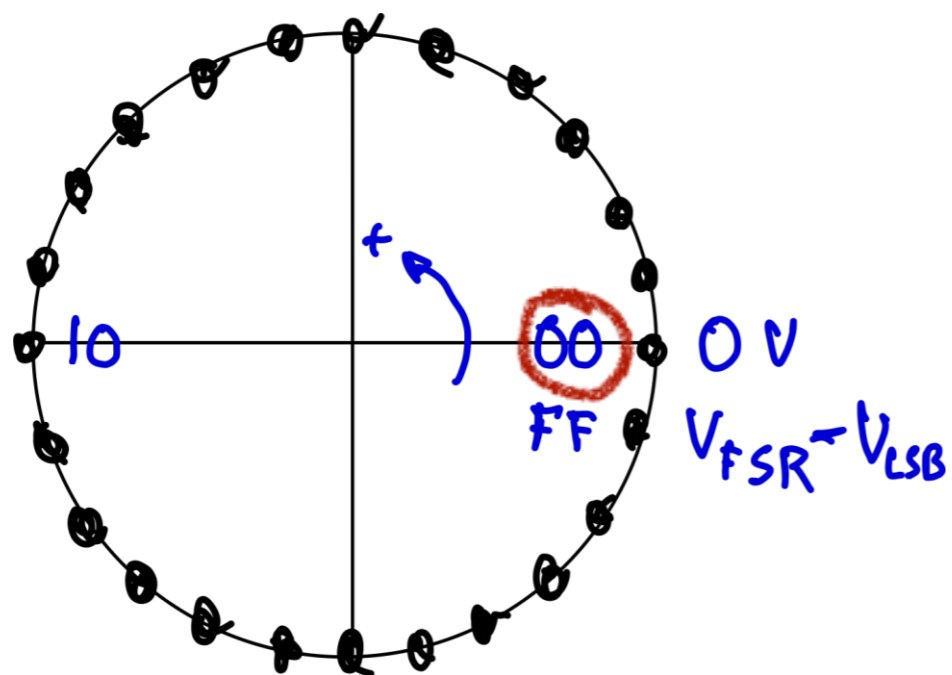


Same as above
The figure is rotated by π



Binary Integer Numbers

Integer
Computers & ADC/DAC



0 - - - -
8 bits 0 - FF
10 bits 0 3FF

Modulo 2^m

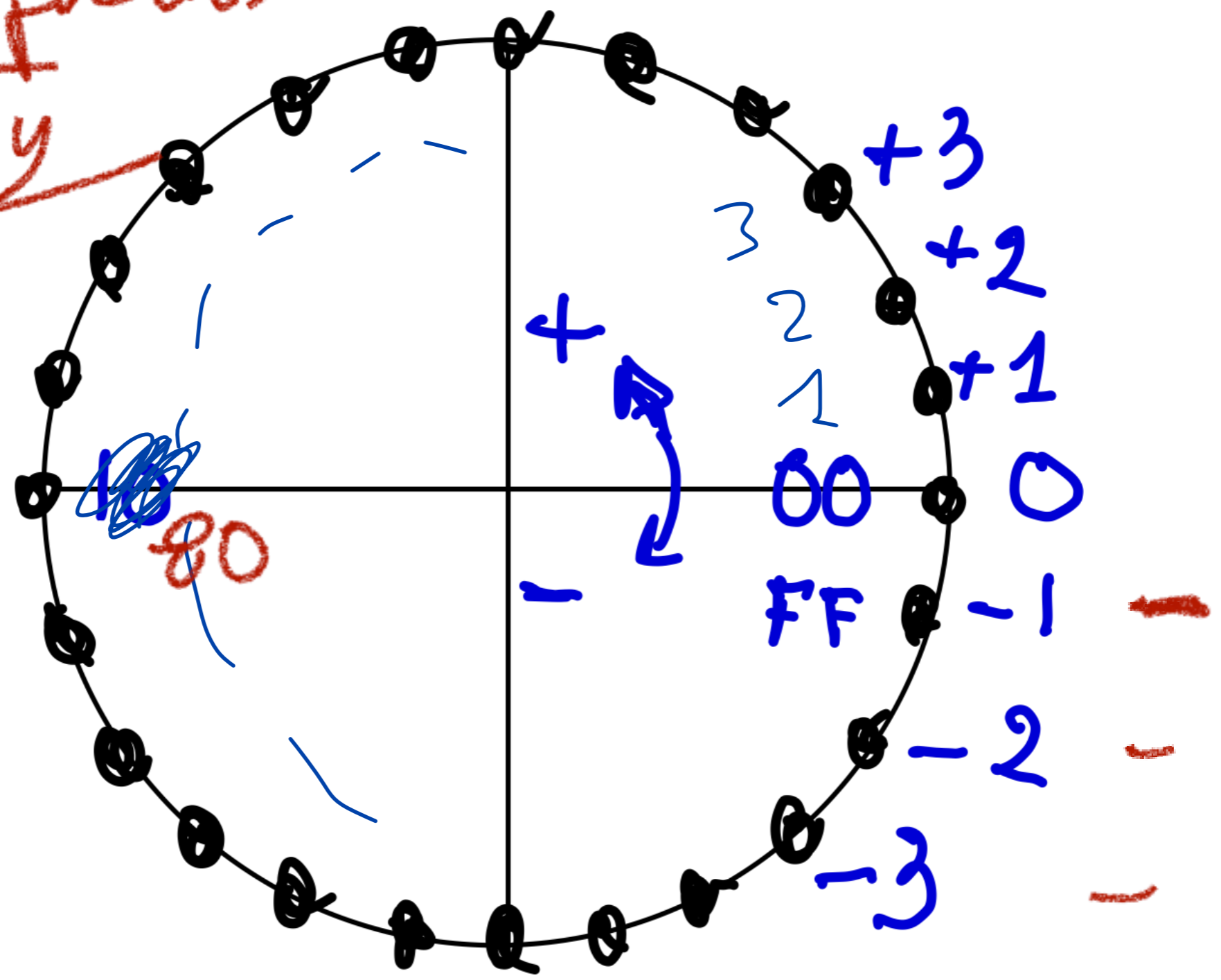
$$FF + 1 \pmod{2^8} = 0$$

$$FF + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2^8}$$

Good for
unipolar
converters

Binary Integer Numbers

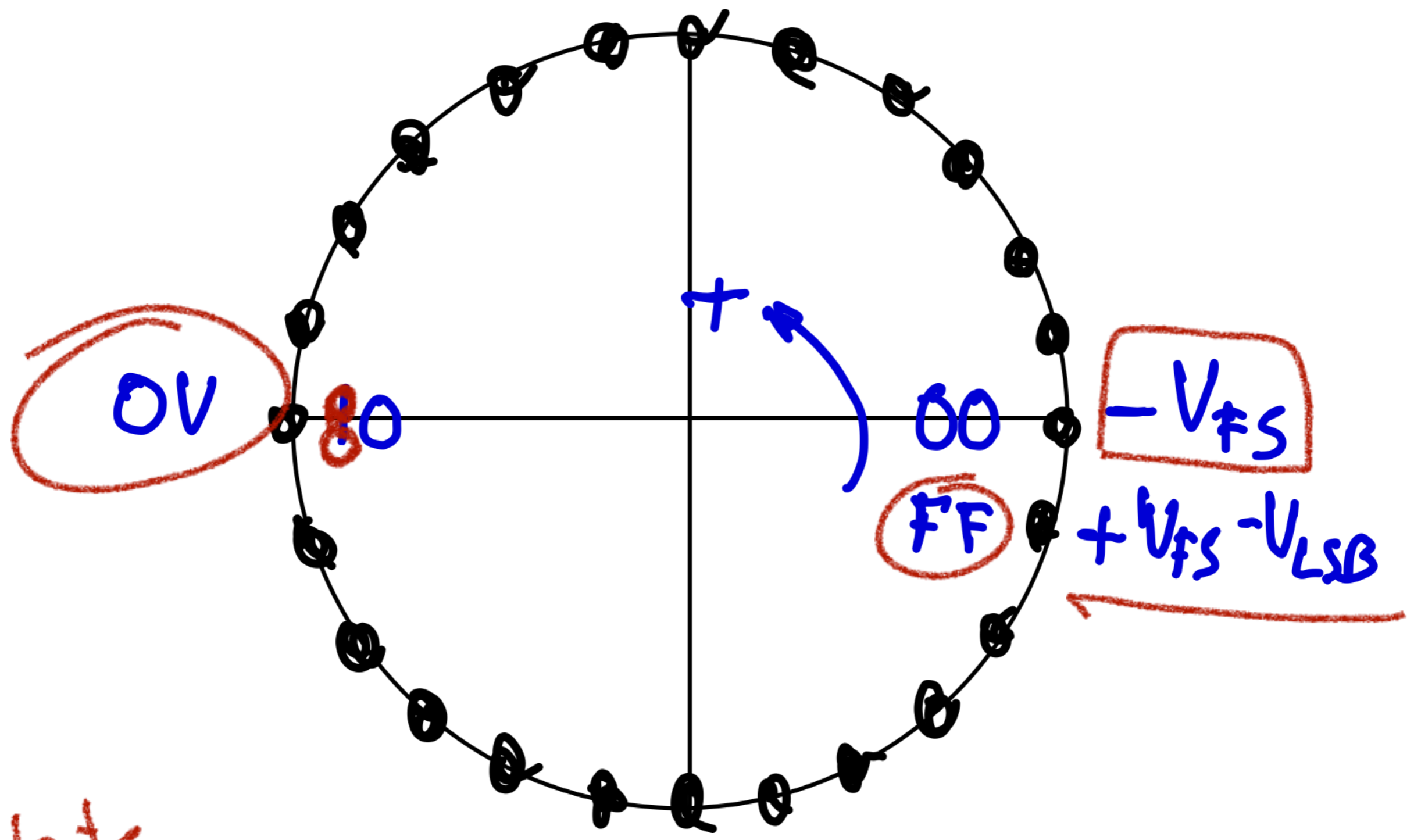
Finite fields
Cyclotomic



1 byte

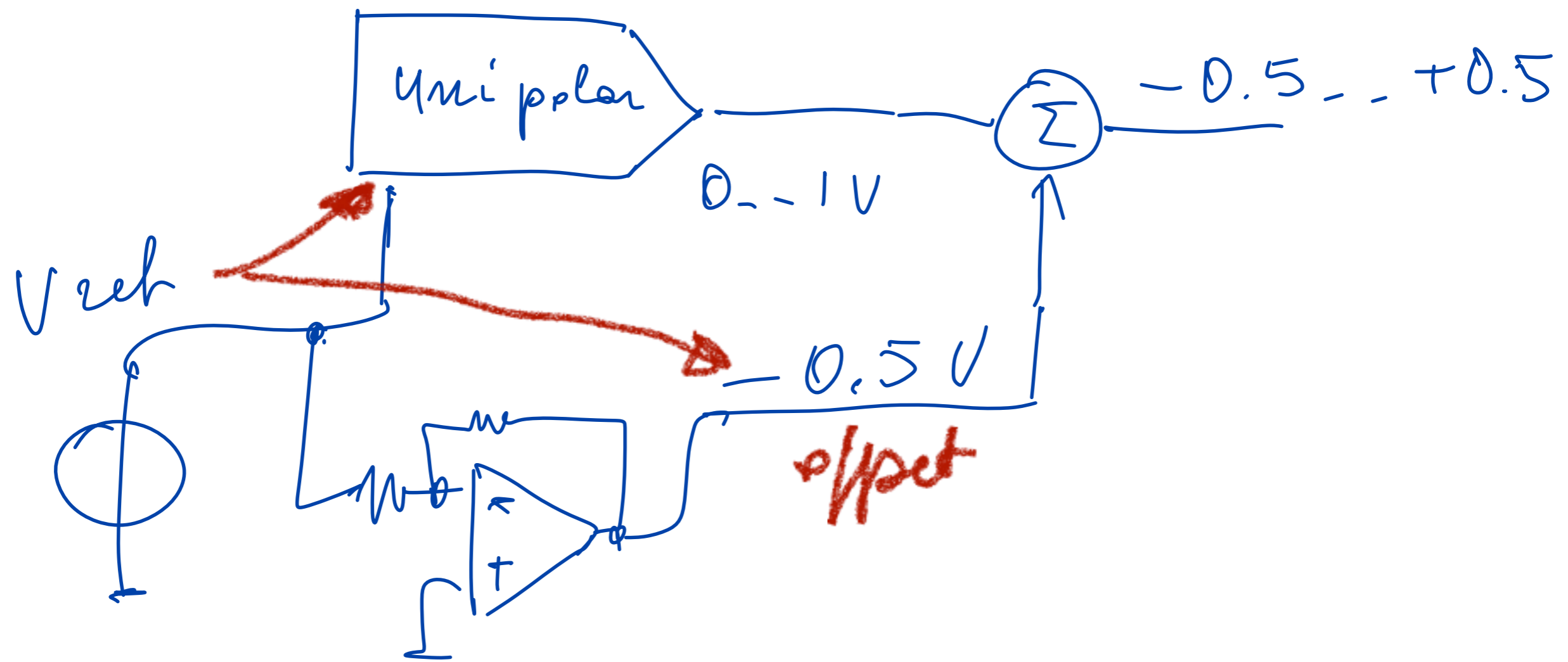
Binary Integer Numbers

Offset binary
Computers & ADC/DAC



8 bits

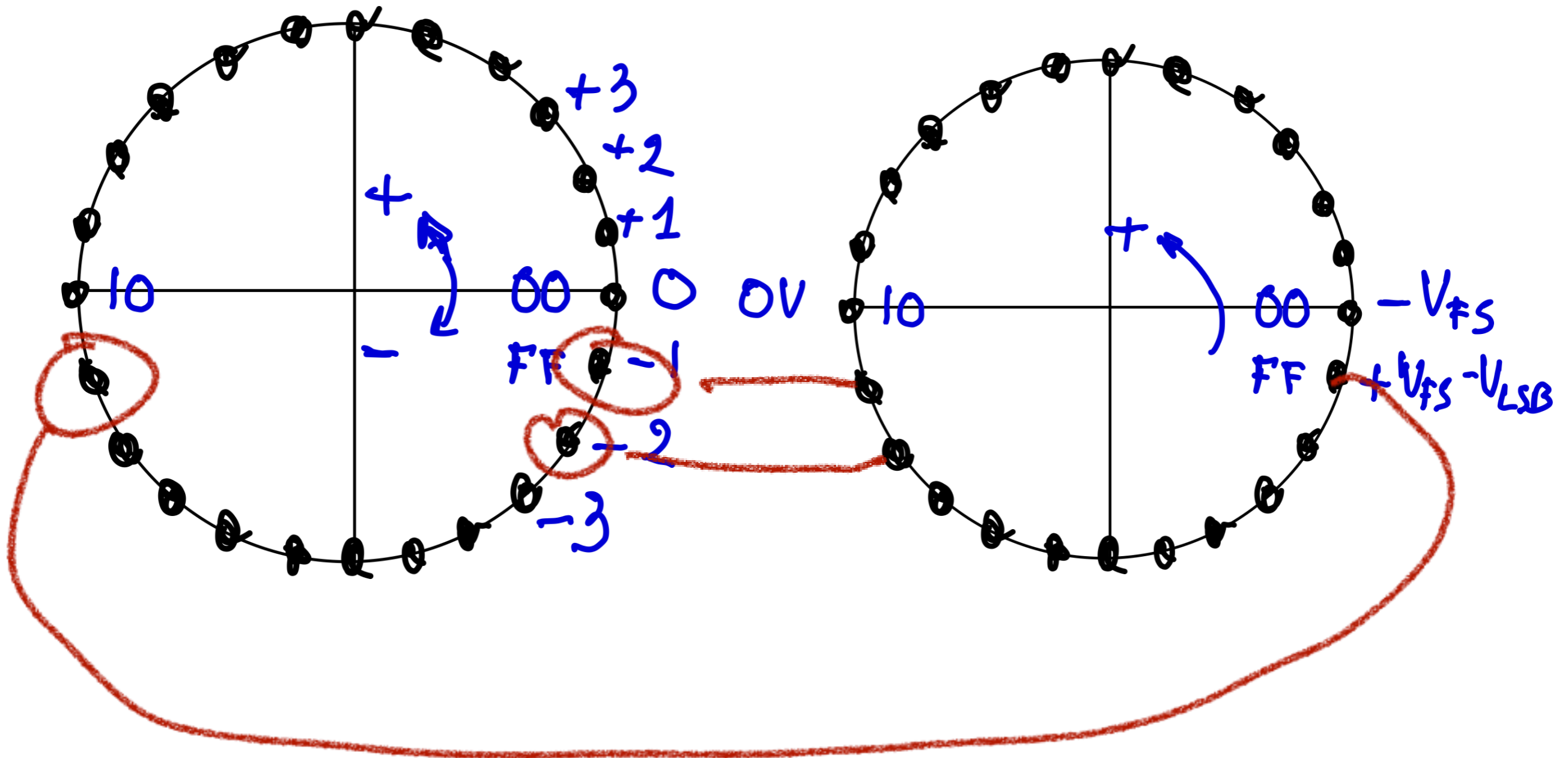
V_{ref} errors or fluctuations
impact on the range,
not on the zero value.



Binary Integer Numbers

Offset binary
Computers & ADC/DAC

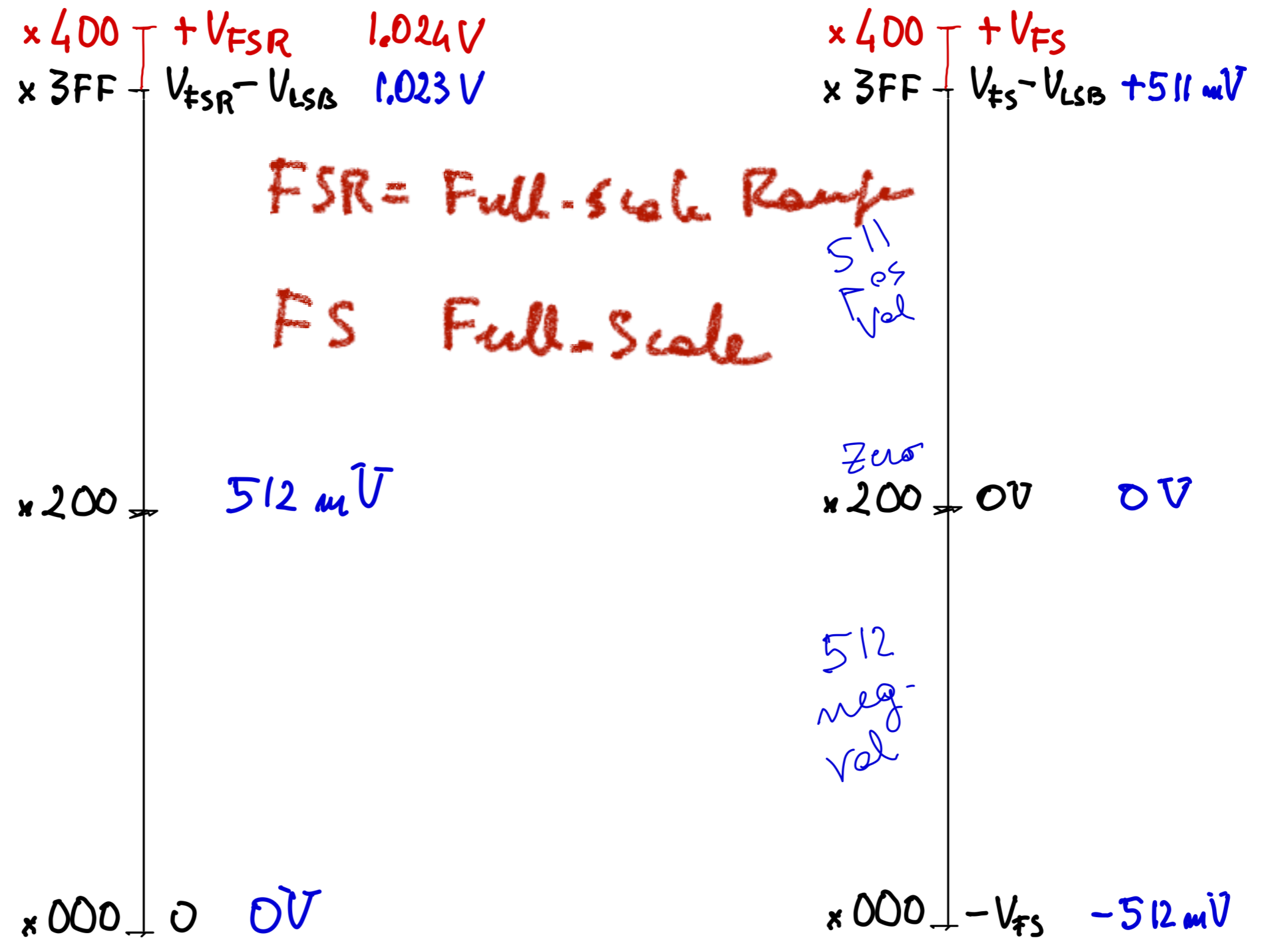
Two's complement integer
computers only



V_{FS}, V_{FSR}, and Actual Range

Example — 10 bit conversion

0. . . 1023



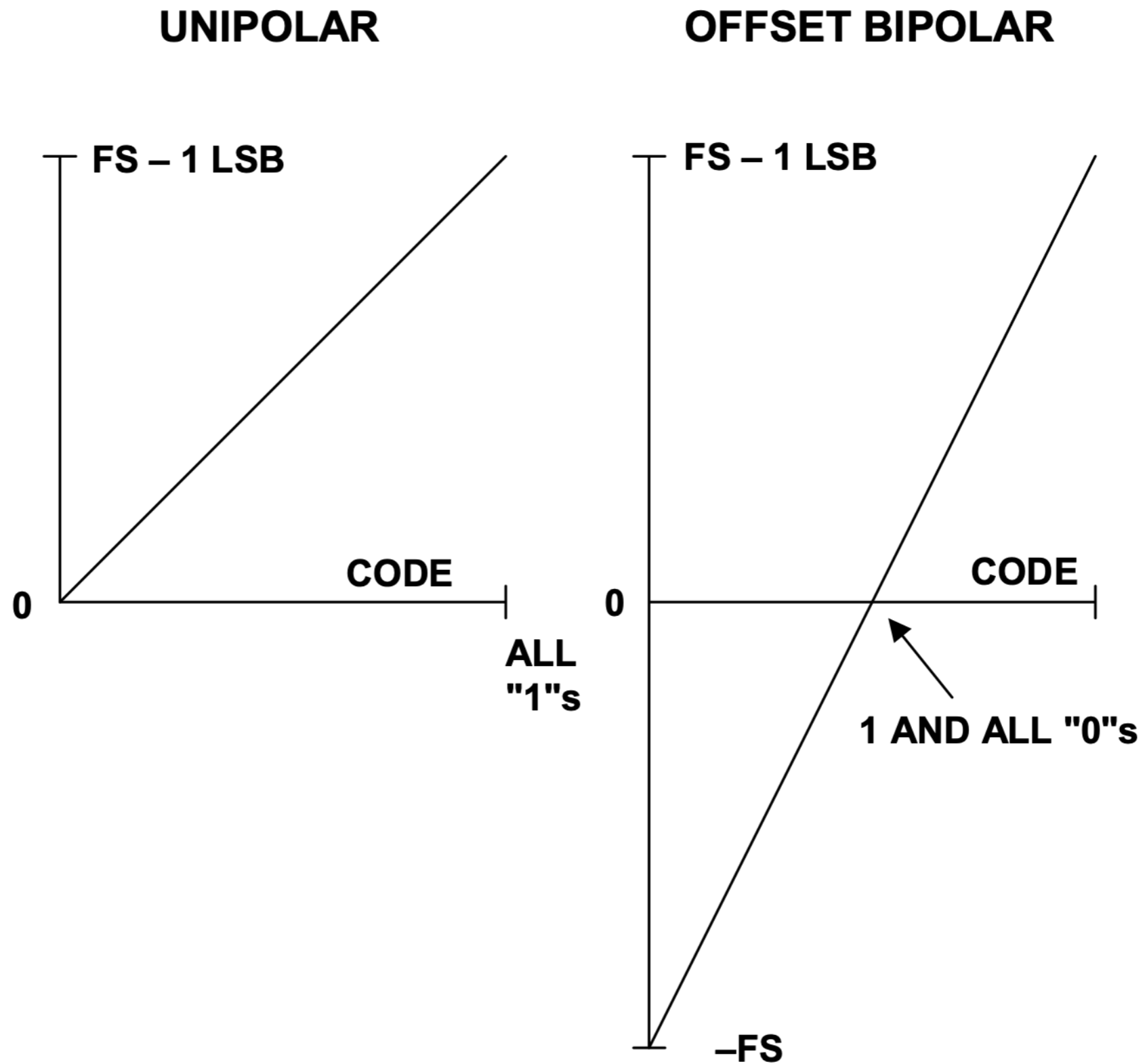
Example - hand-held
digital voltmeter

20V range $\rightarrow \pm 20V$

$$V_{FS} = 20V$$

$$V_{FSR} = 40V$$

Conversion, Summary



Knuth Floor and Ceil Parentheses ³⁵



$[x]$ $[x]$ $[x]$

$\lfloor x \rfloor$ floor

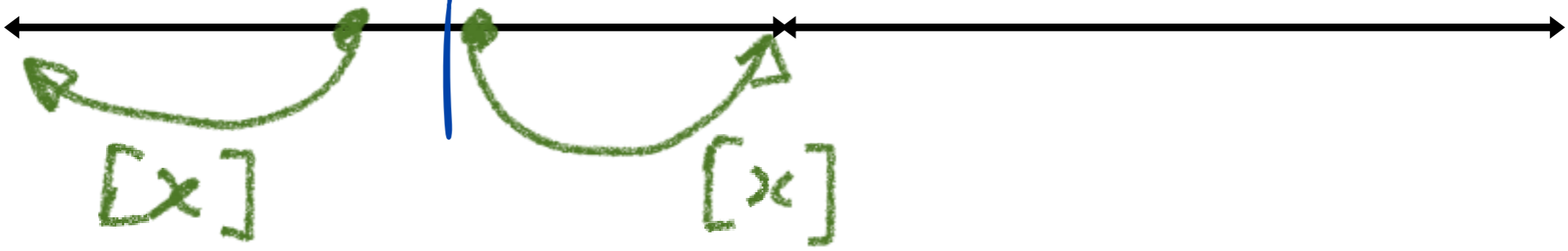
$\lceil x \rceil$ ceil

The Art of Programming
(3 Vol. / Genres)

$\lfloor x \rfloor$

$[x]$

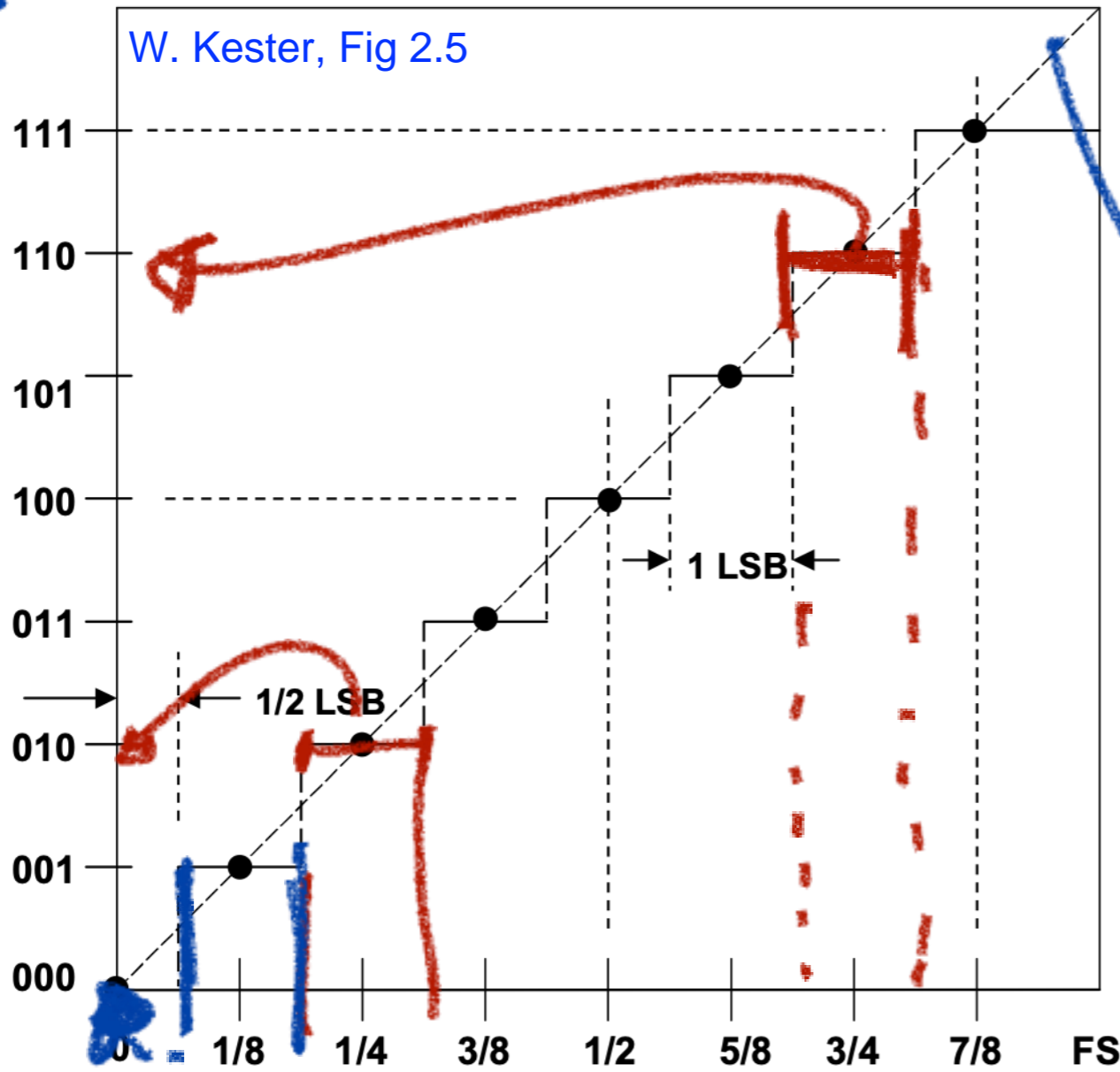
nearest integer



Example: 3-bit ADC

FSR

W. Kester, Fig 2.5



LSB
Least Significant Bit

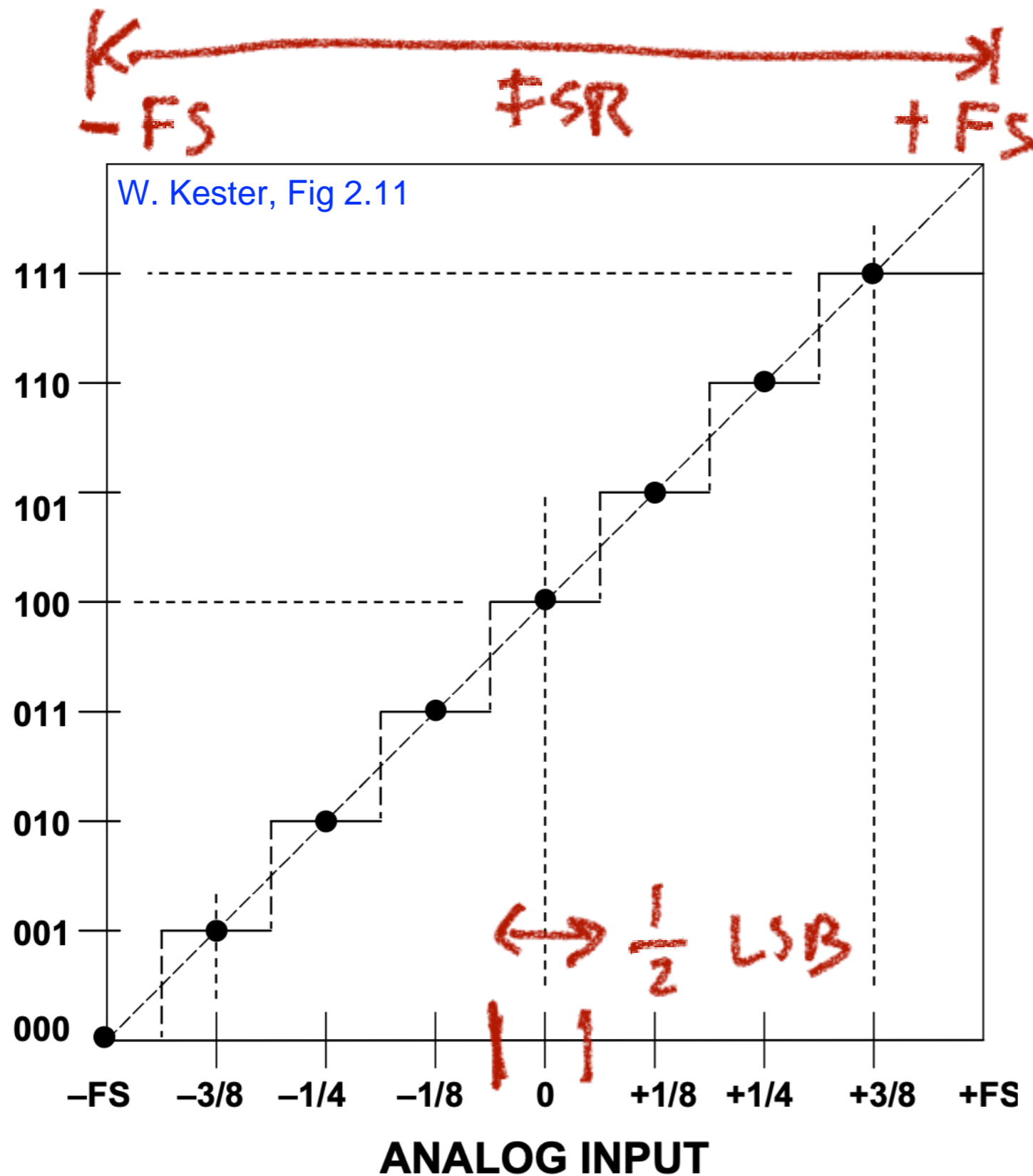
$\frac{3}{2}$ LSB

ANALOG INPUT

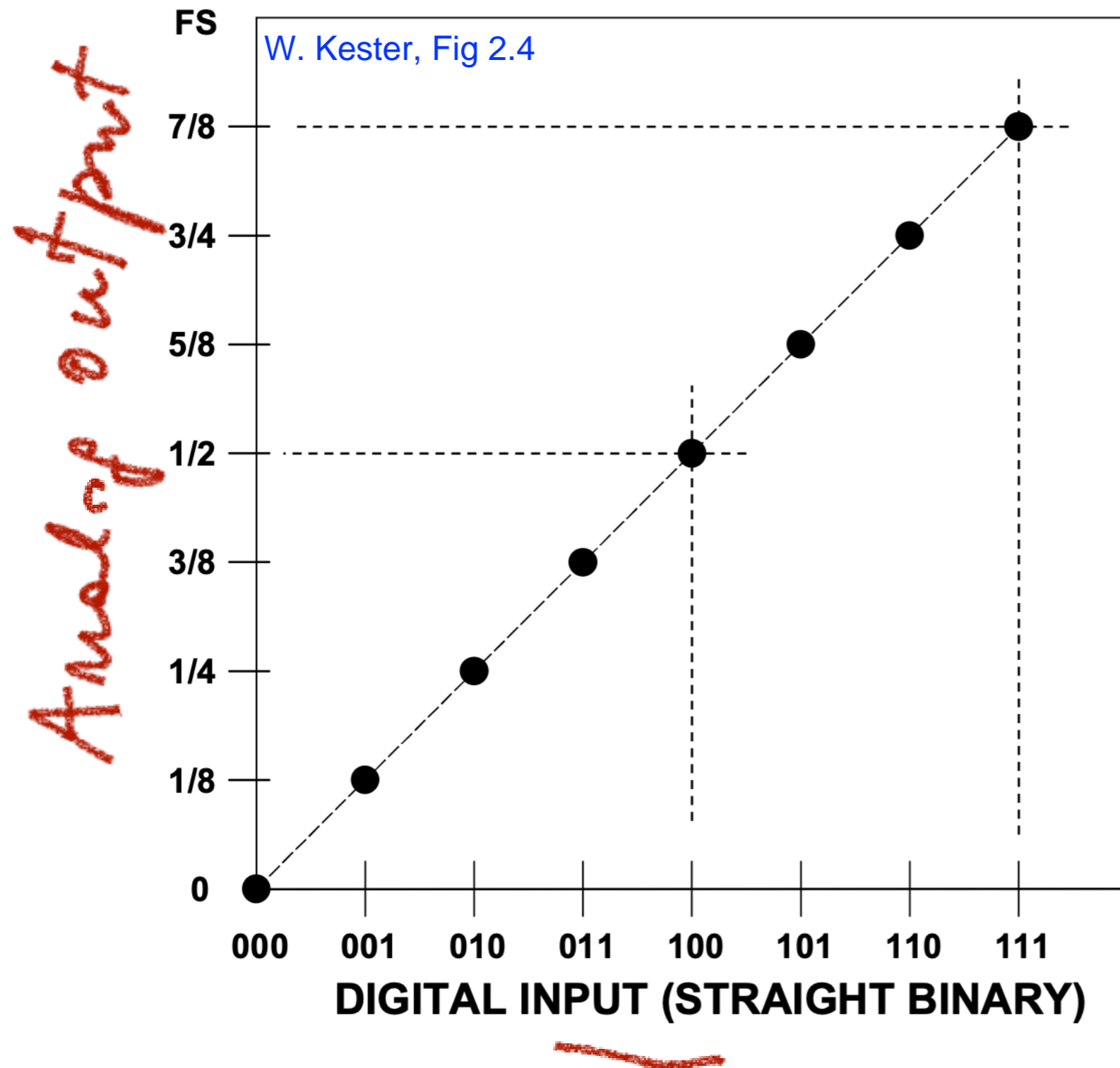
$\pm \frac{1}{2}$ LSB

Bipolar Input – Example

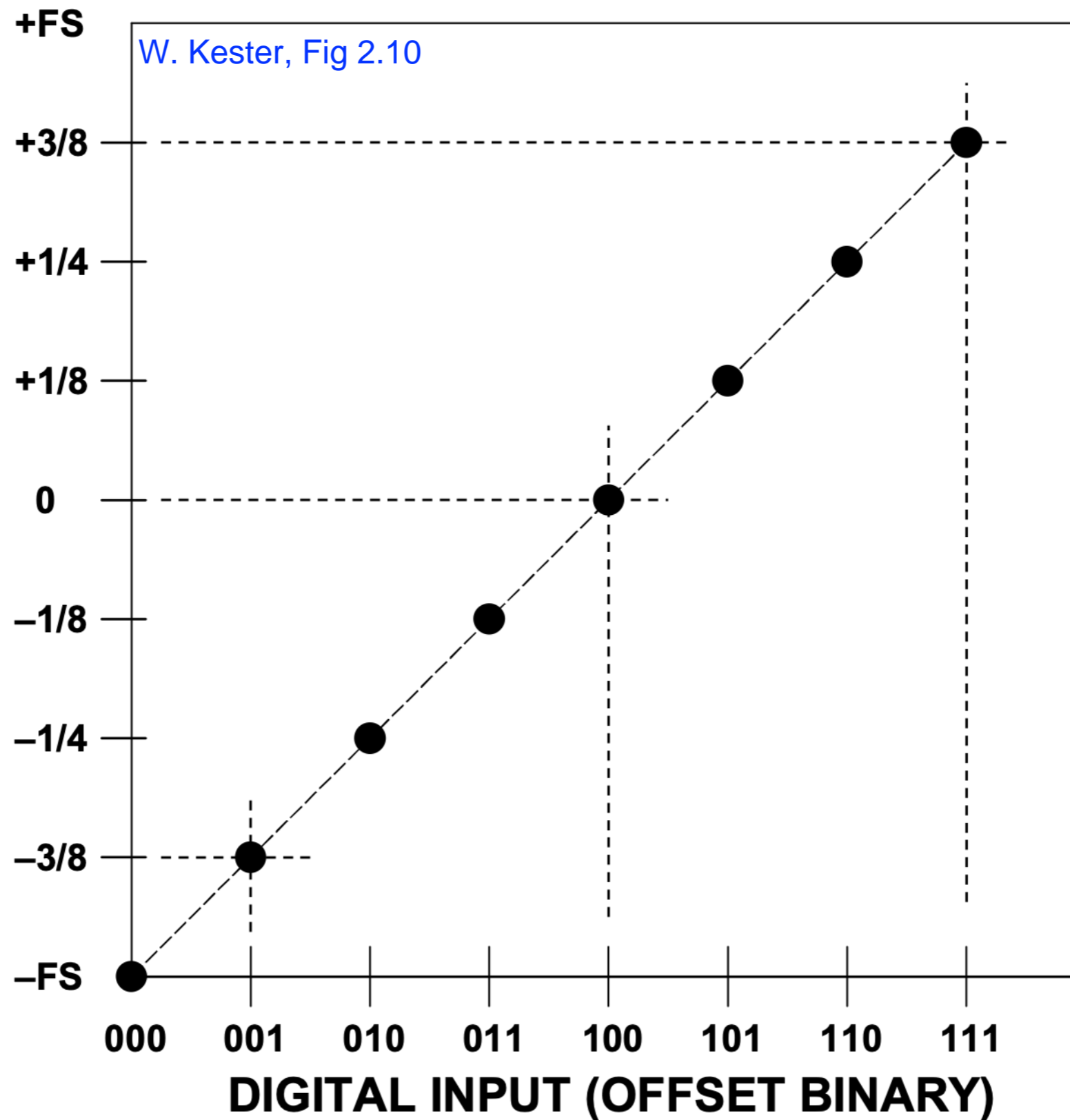
V_{FS} VS V_{FSR}



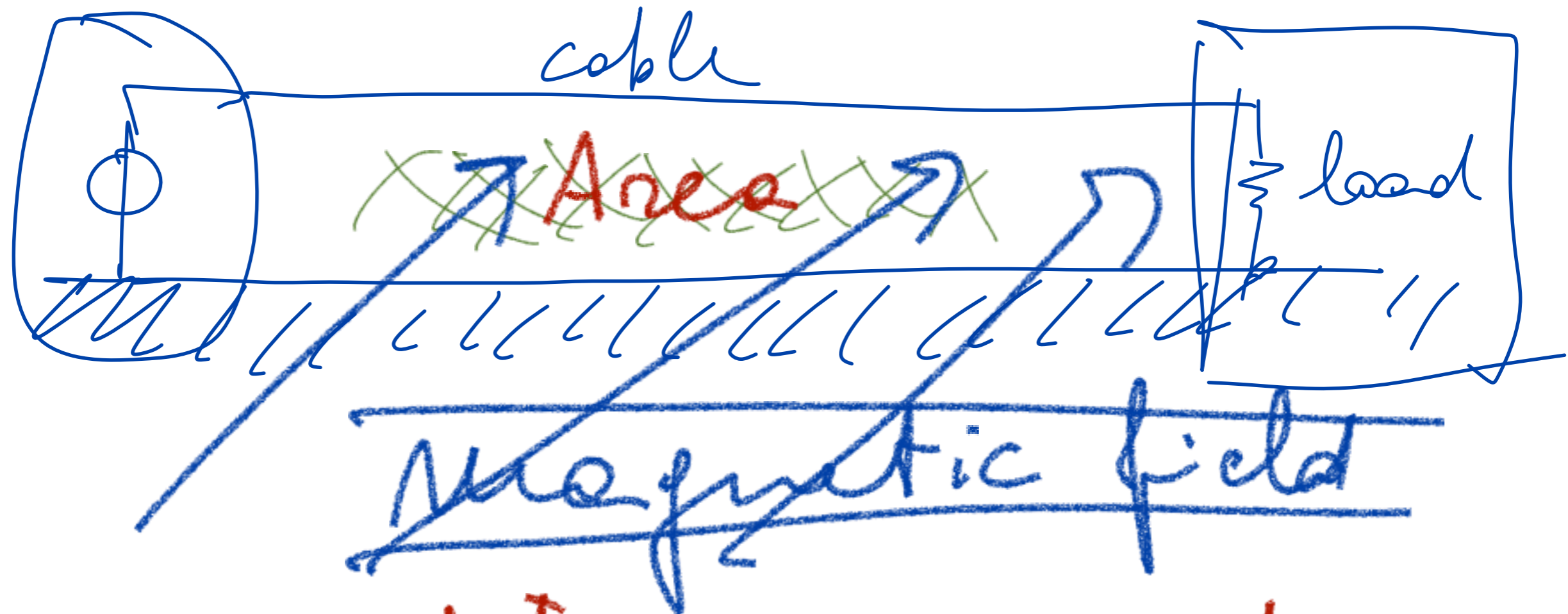
Example: 3-bit DAC



Bipolar Conversion



Unbalanced Signal

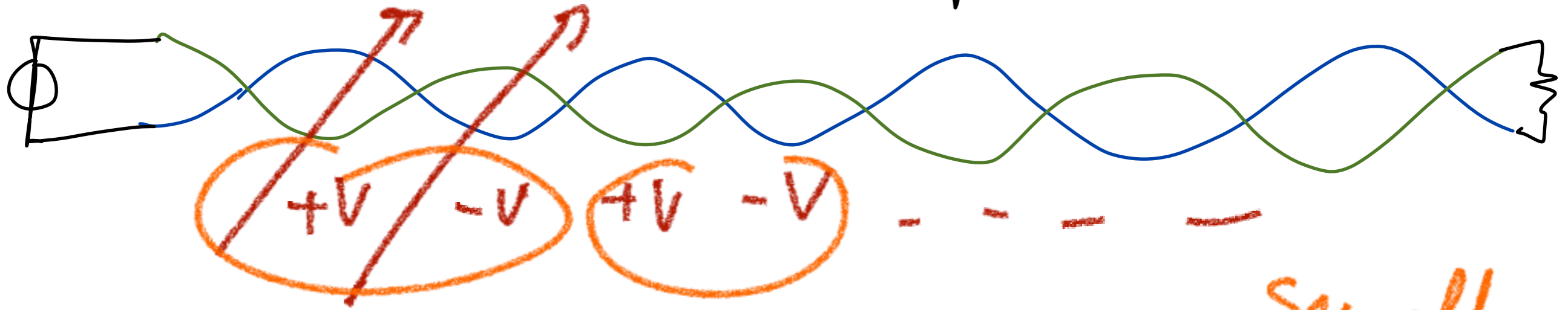


$$V = \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$

magnetic
electromotive
force

Balanced (Differential) Signal

Twisted pair



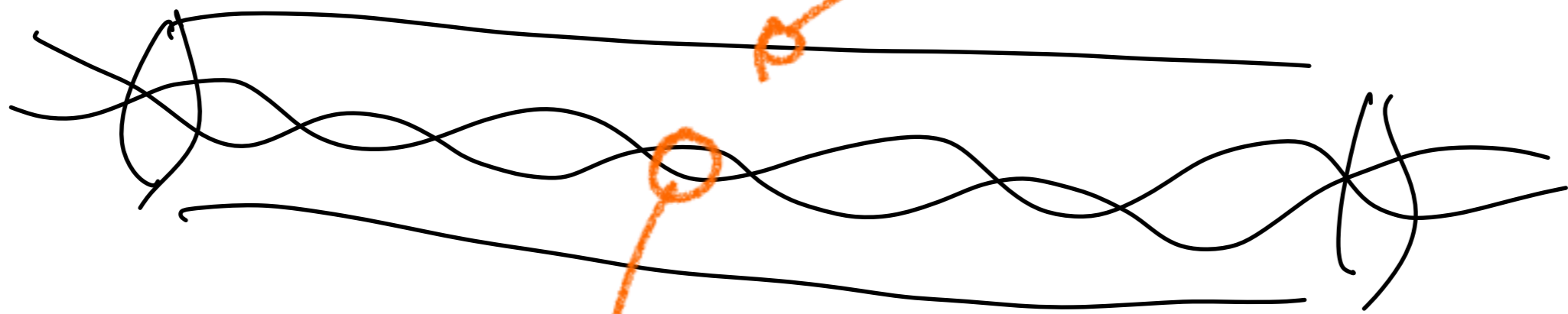
0

0

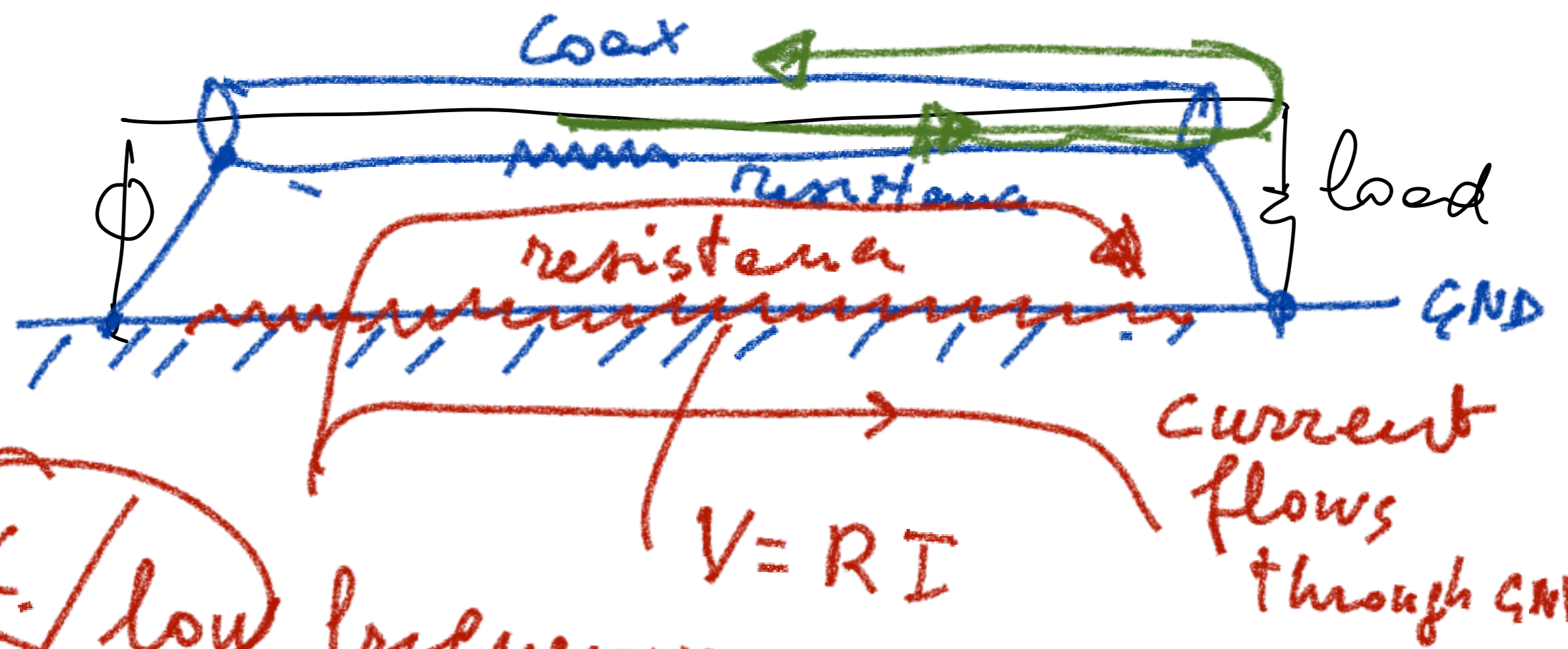
Small
any uncertainty

Twisted

Coax

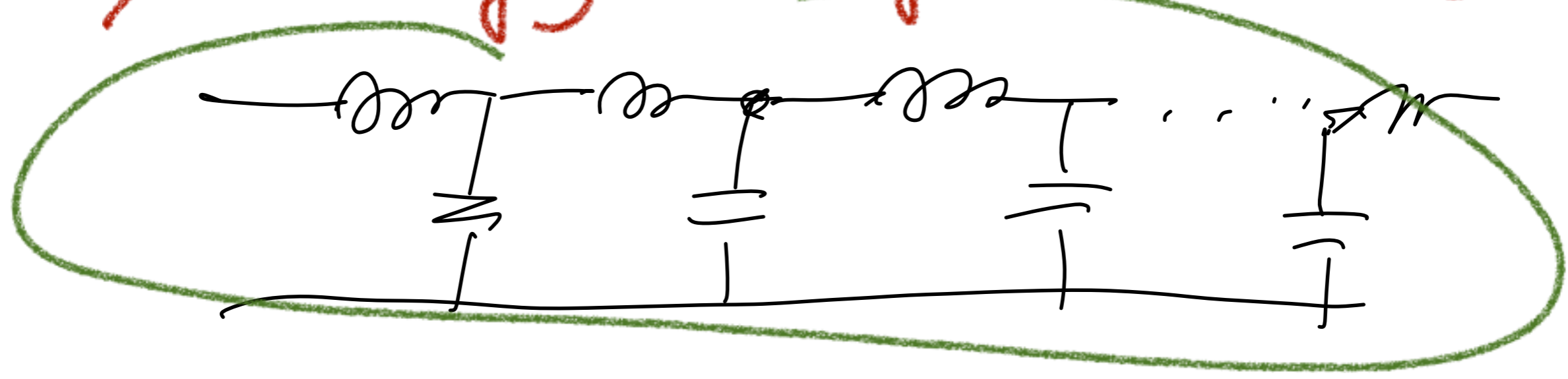


Twisted pair



DC / low frequency

AC / energy confinement

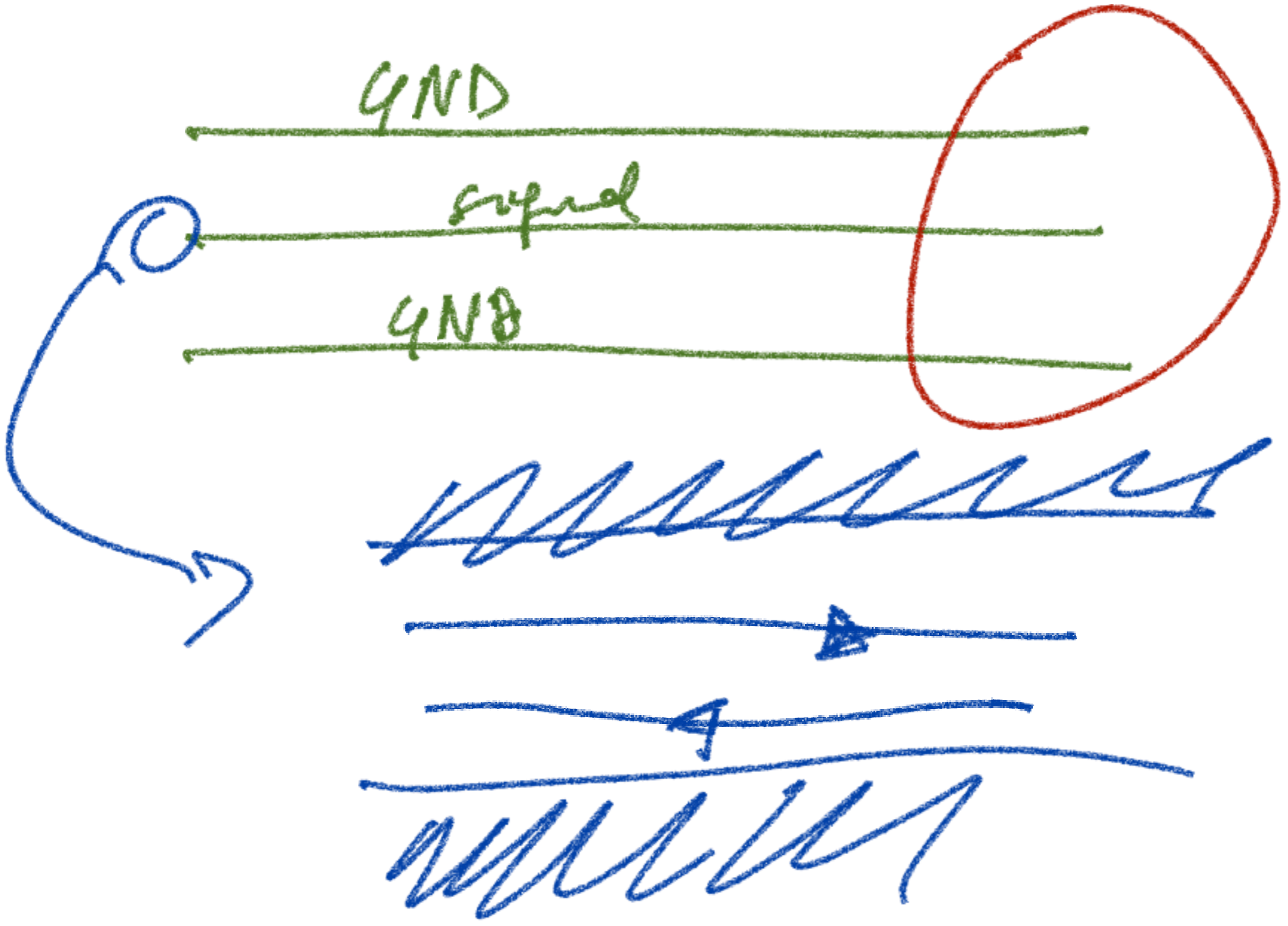


Cutoff frequency

RG 58	8-10 kHz
Twimax	2 kHz
Twisted pair	...

Printed Circuit Board





Electromagnetic Compatibility

Where to learn

- Jasper Goedbloed, Electromagnetic Compatibility, Prentice Hall 1990 (Philips)
- Henry W. Ott, Electromagnetic Compatibility, Wiley 2009
- Clayton R. Paul, Electromagnetic Compatibility, Wiley 2006
- Reinaldo Perez, ed., Handbook of Electromagnetic Compatibility, Academic Press 1995 (JPL)

Genesis Library

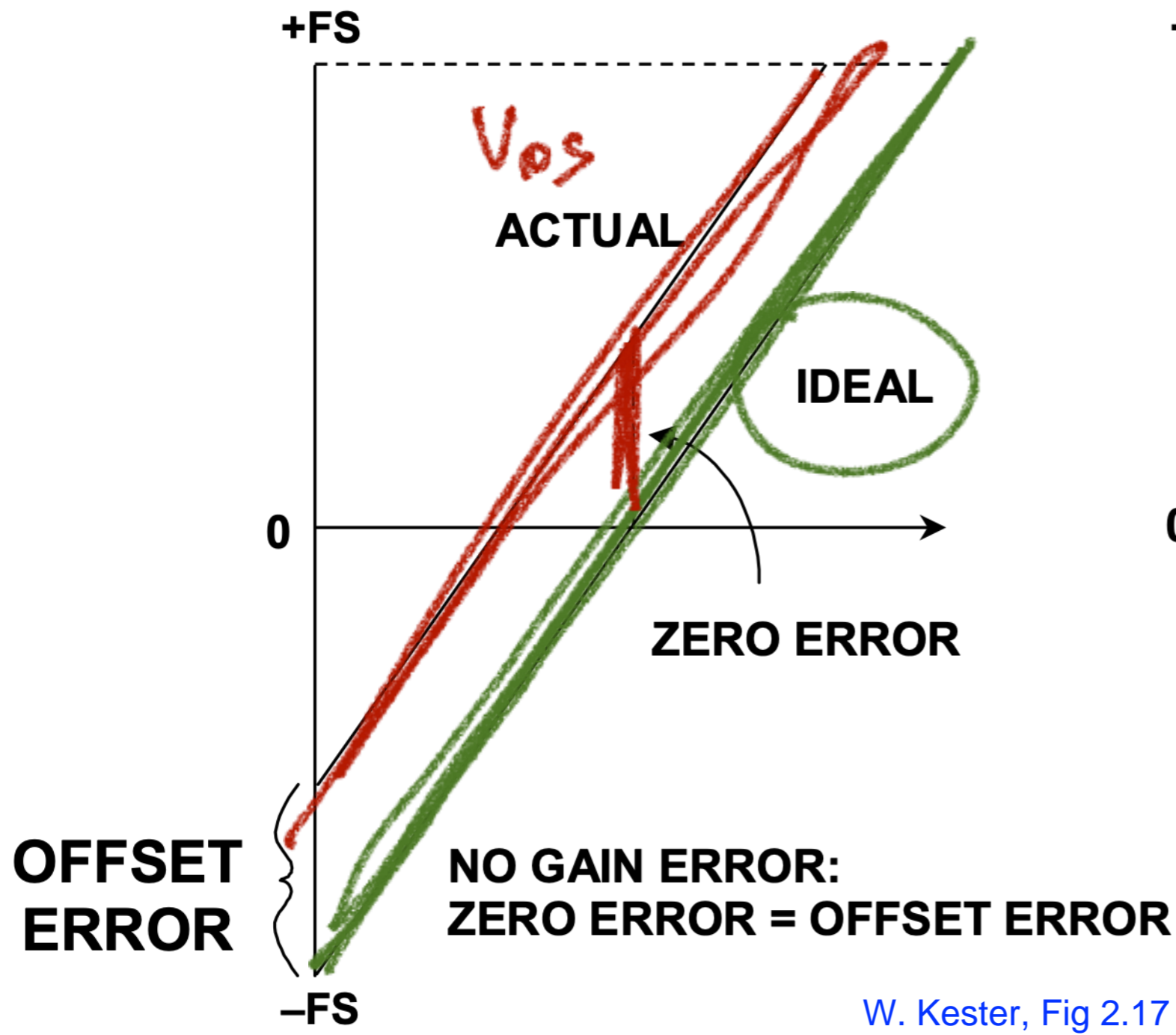
End of lecture
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#3, Tuesday, Sept 22

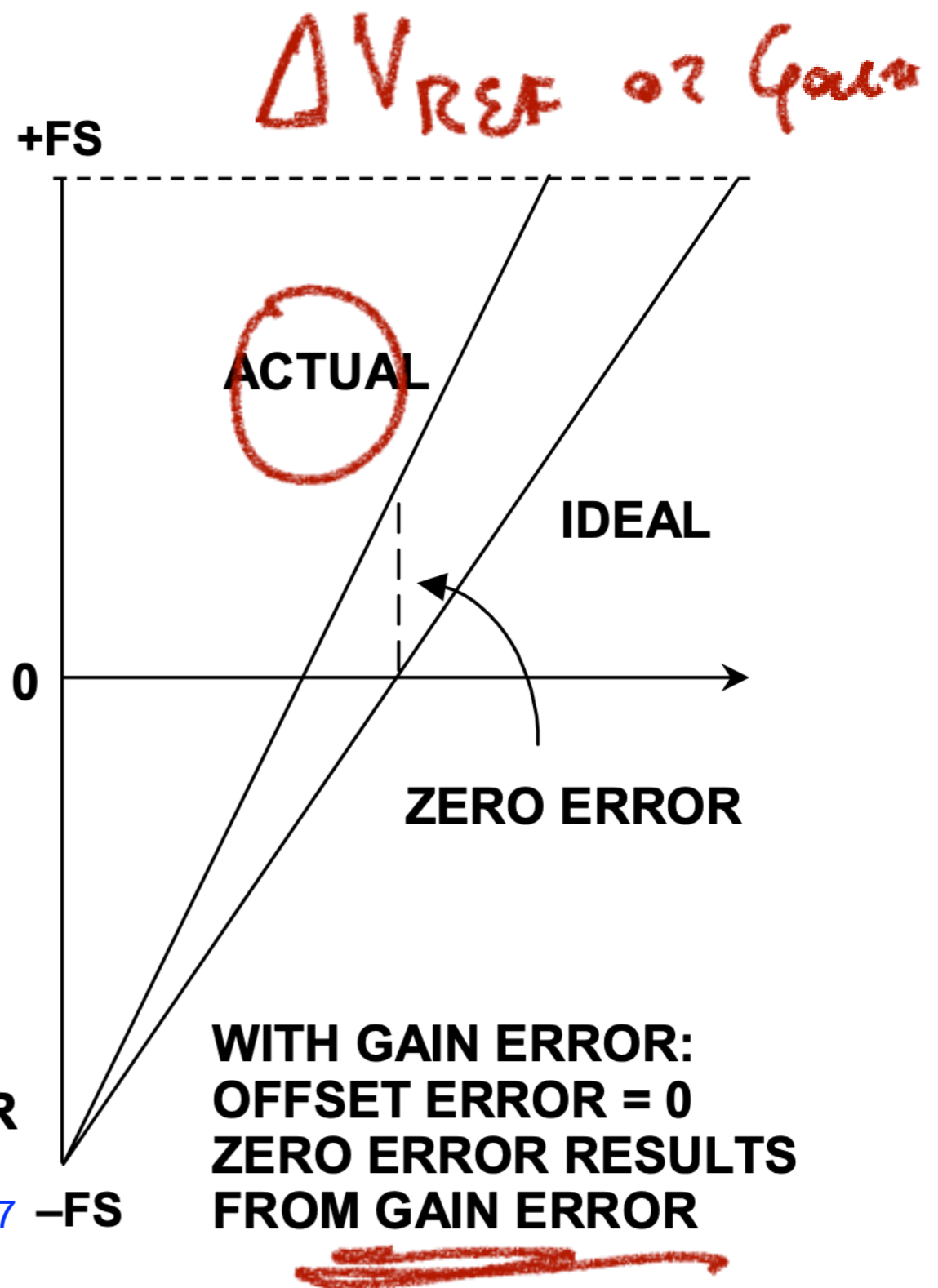
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Conversion Errors and Uncertainty

Offset and Gain

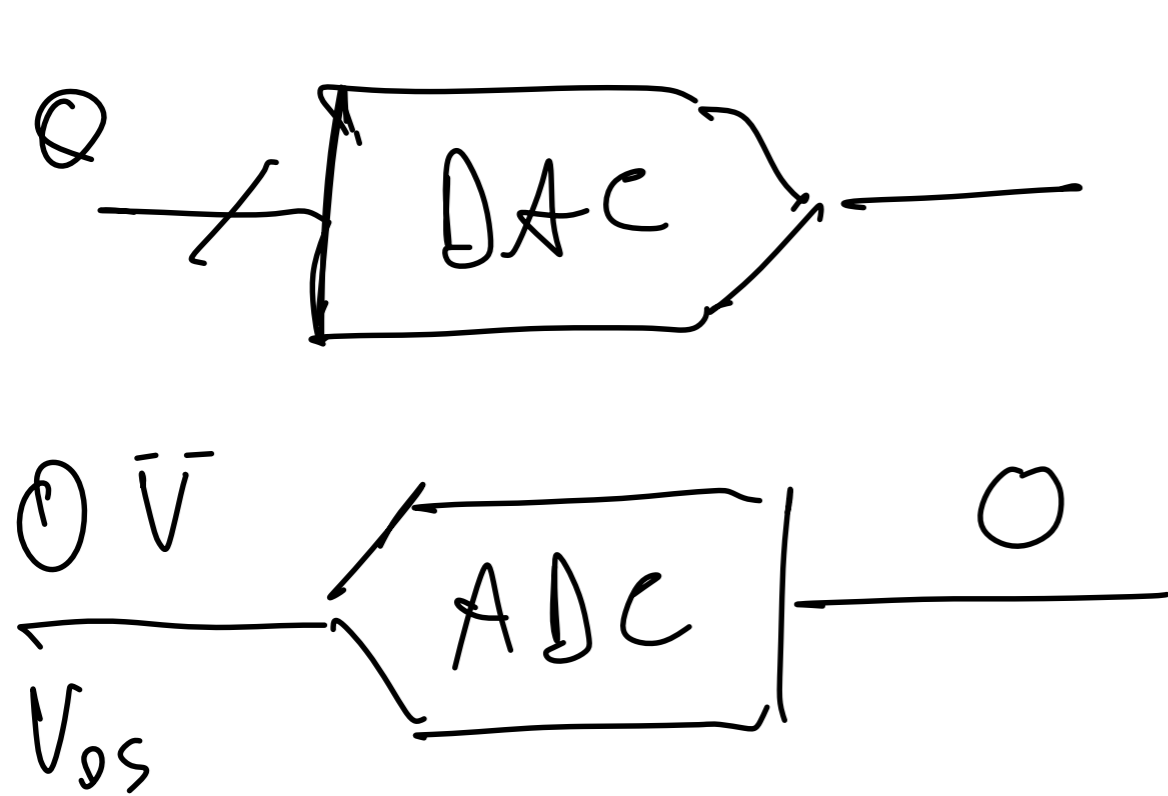


W. Kester, Fig 2.17



Gain Error and V_{REF}

Example: Flash DAC



$$0 \bar{V} \rightarrow +V_{OS}$$

Offset
Uncertainty

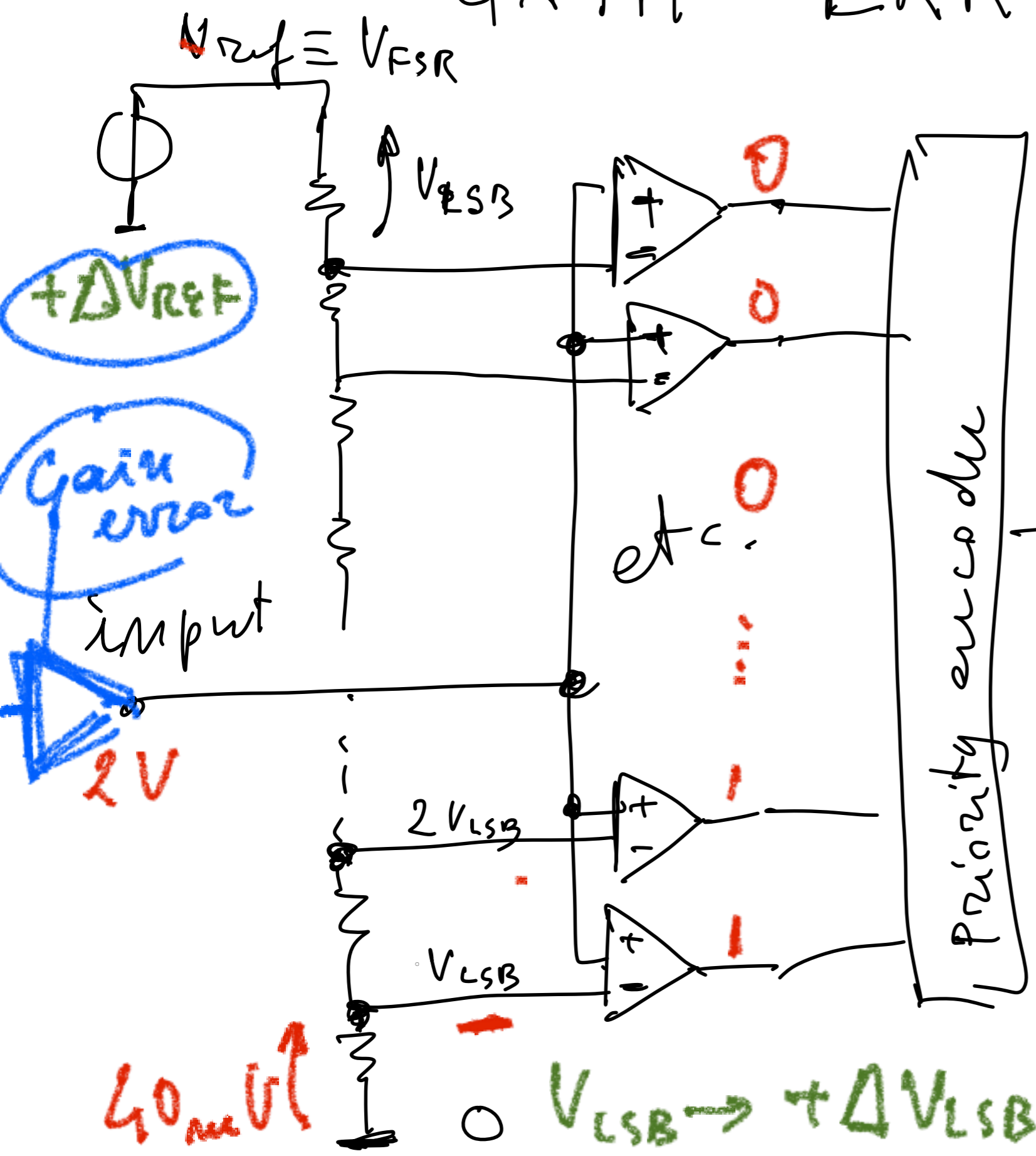
$$V_{OS} = 10 \mu V$$

$$|V_{OS, true}| \leq 10 \mu V$$

10.24V

GAIN ERROR

8 bits



Flash converter

$N =$
no. of outputs
equal to 1

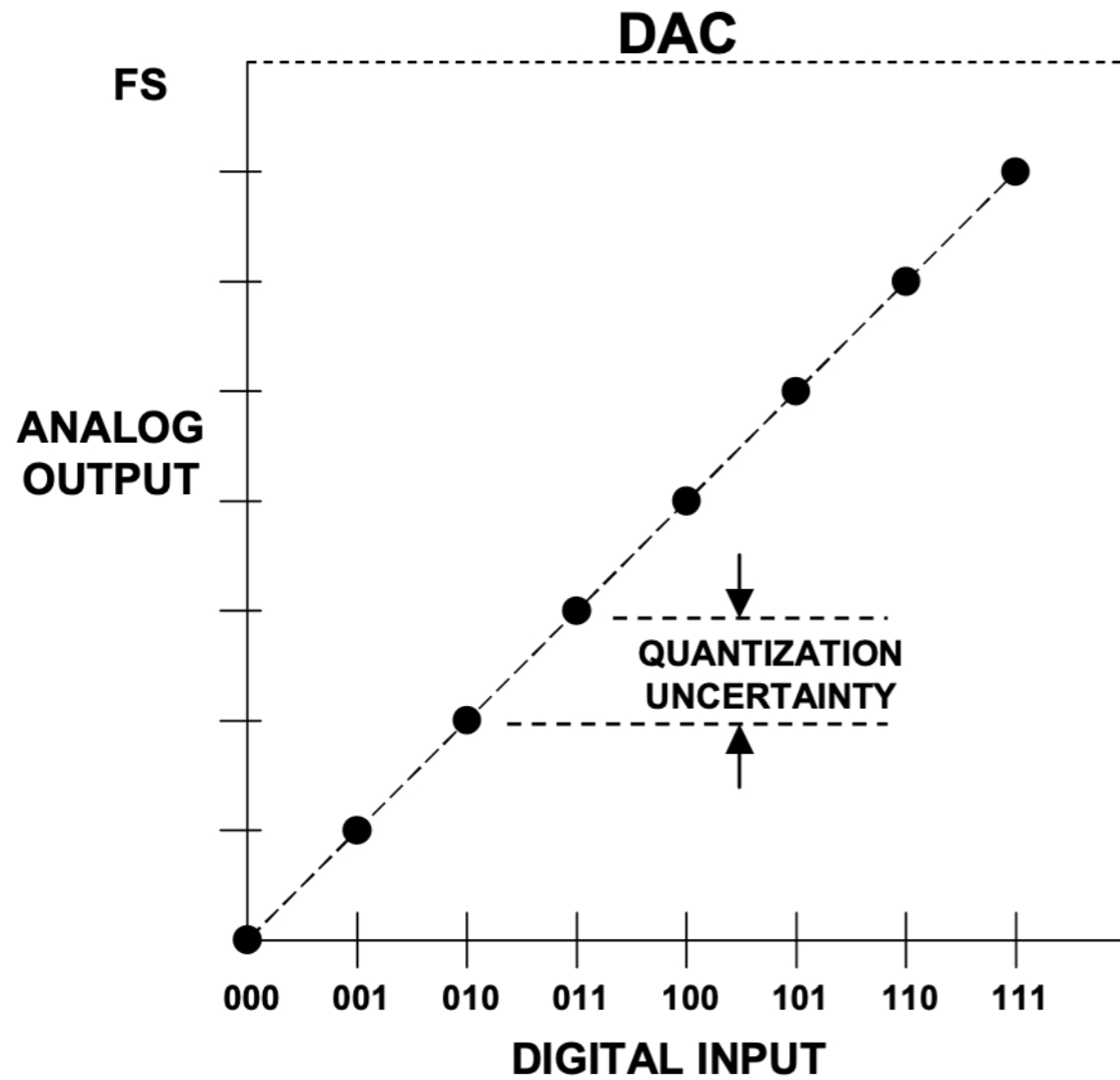
late 1980s
8 bits
2-3 μs

Gain Error and Offset

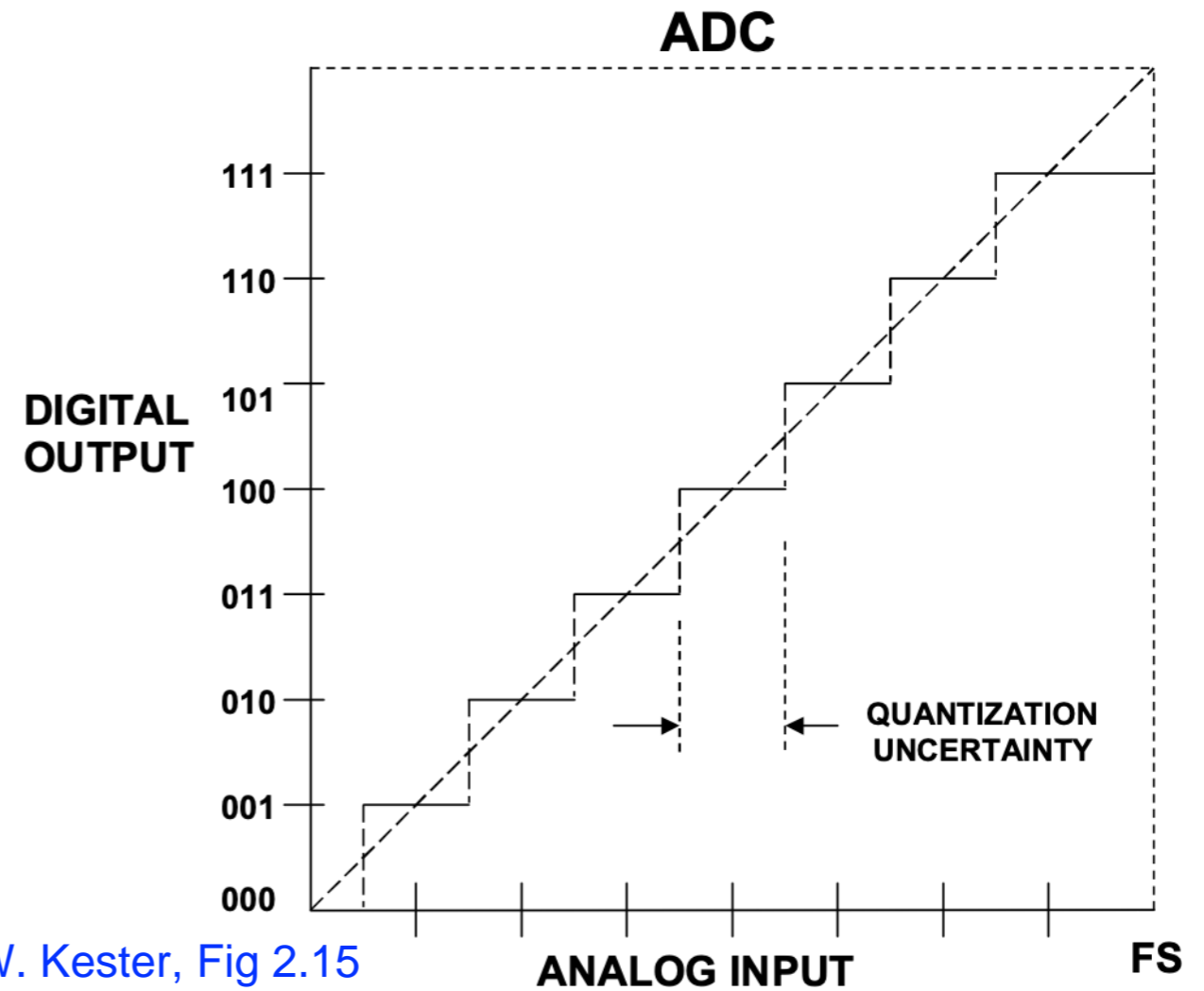
Example: Bipolar Flash DAC

Quantization Uncertainty

n bits \rightarrow 2^N levels



W. Kester, Fig 2.15

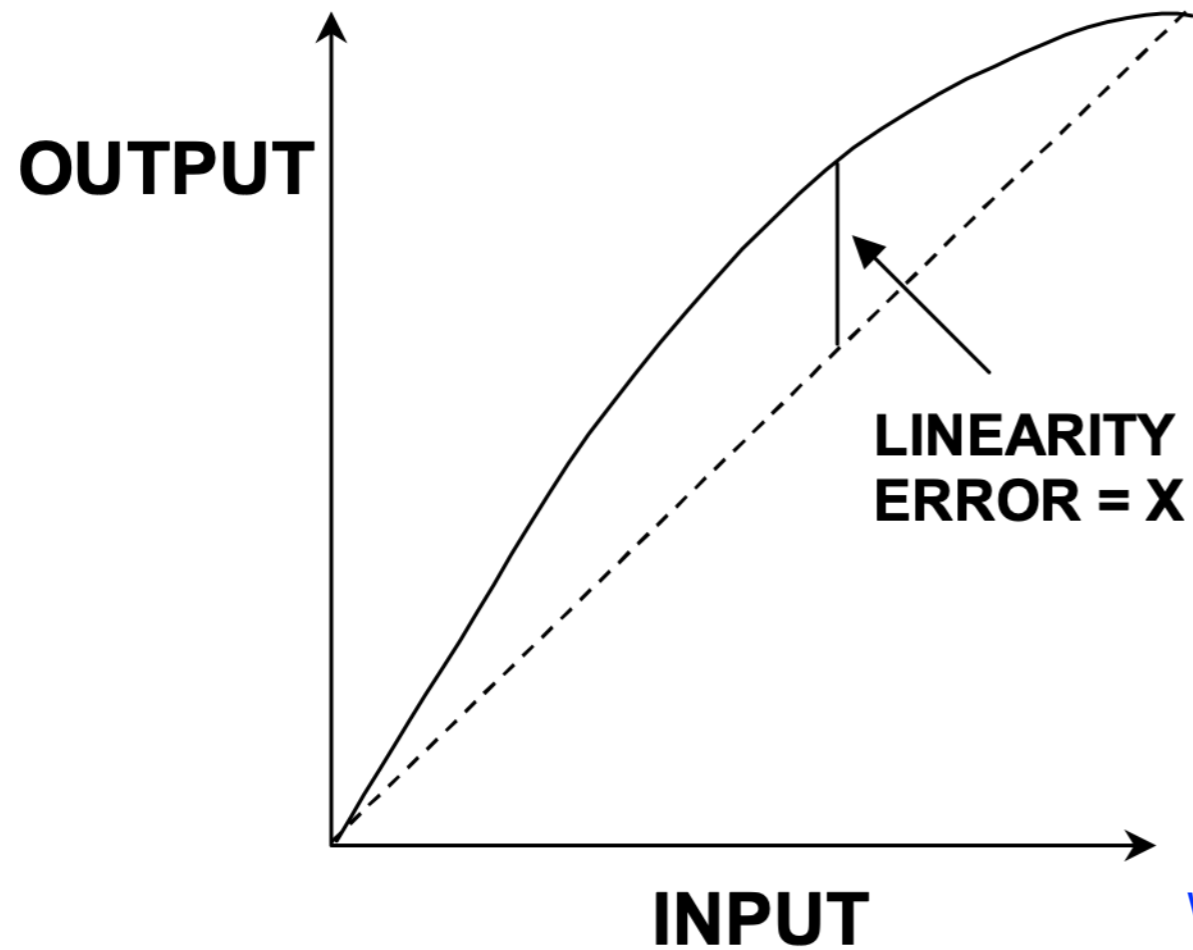


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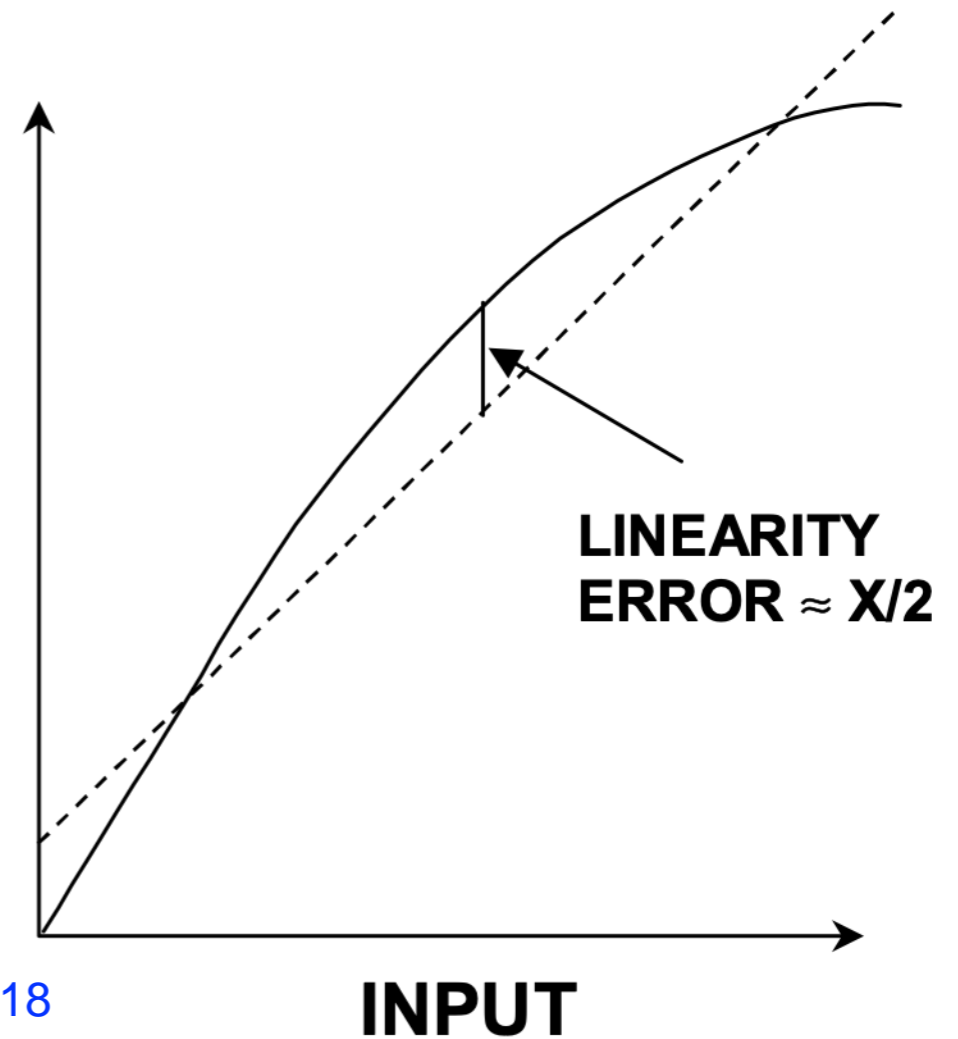
Integral Nonlinearity

Example: Flash DAC

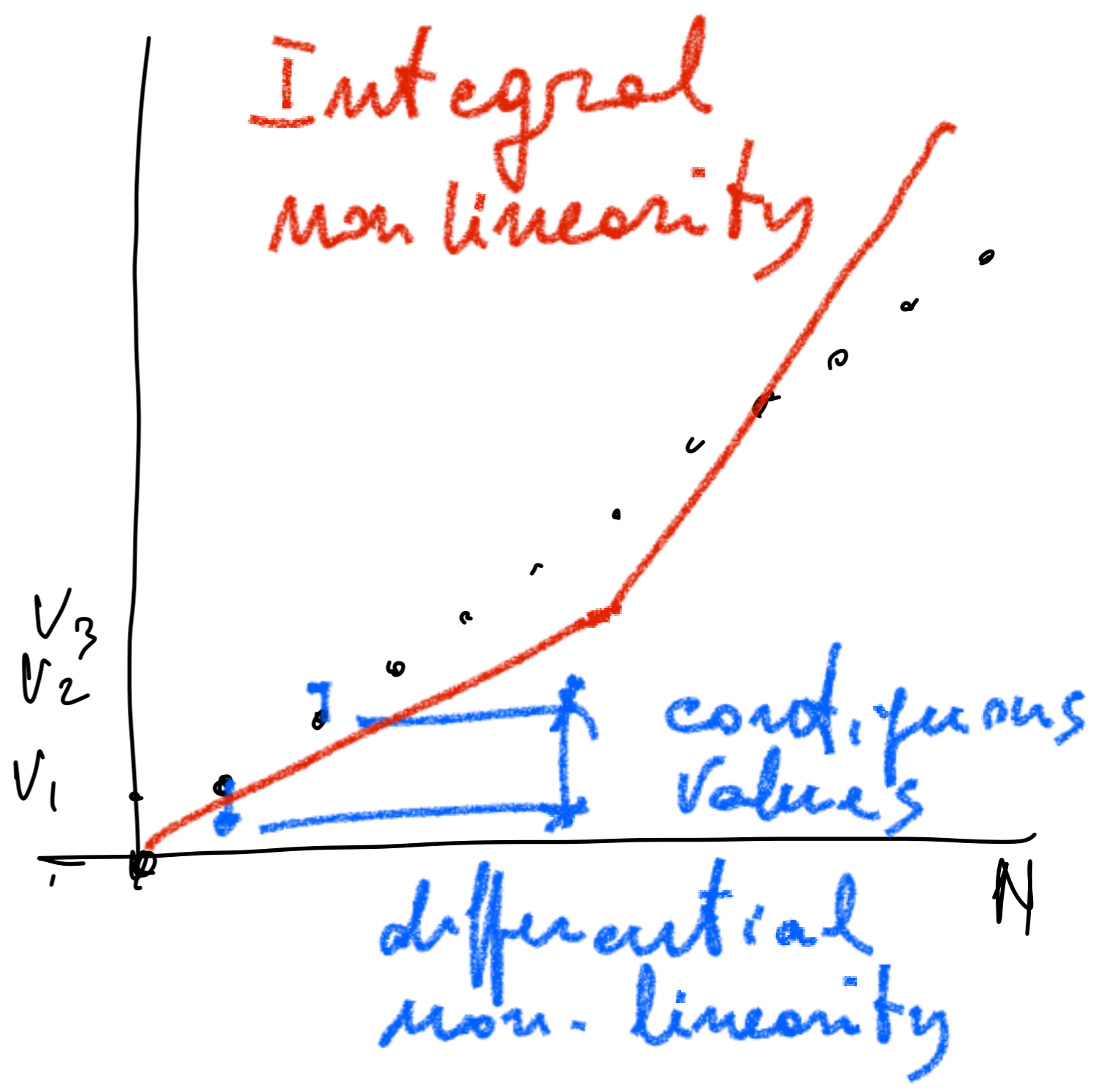
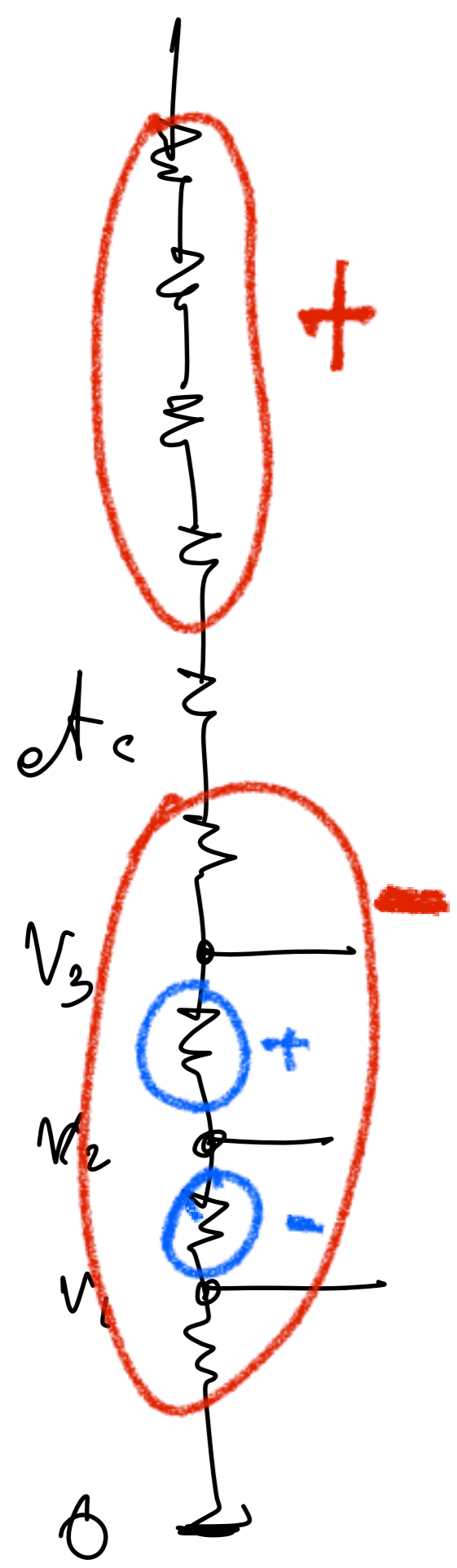
END POINT METHOD



BEST STRAIGHT LINE METHOD

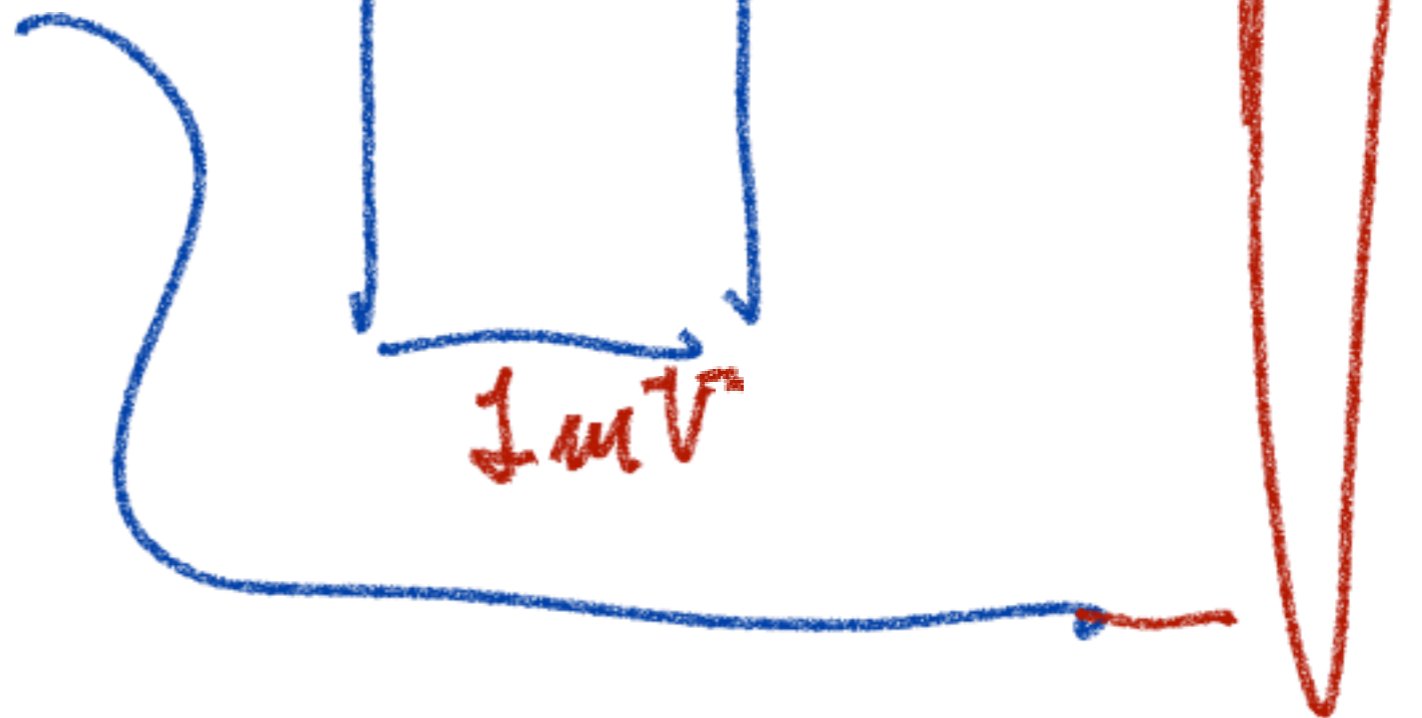
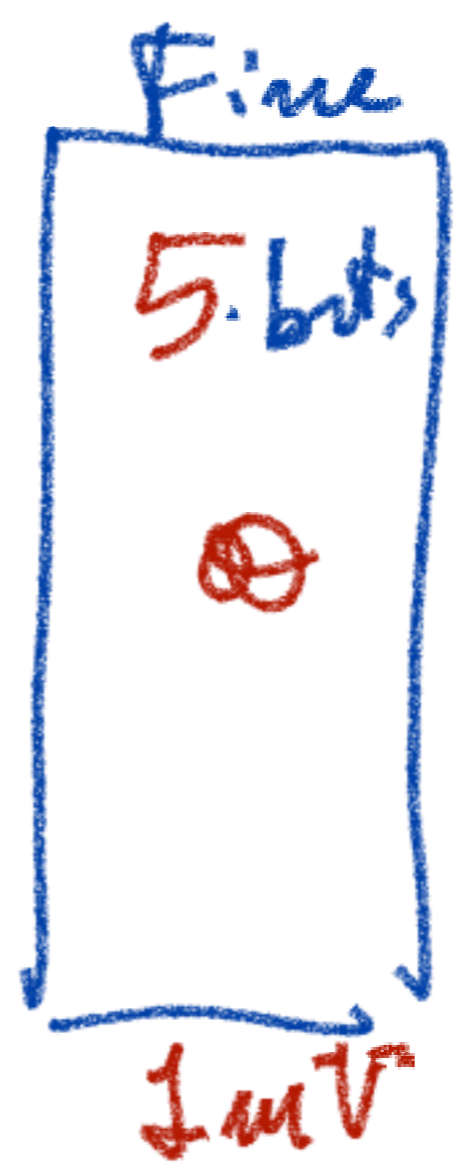


W. Kester, Fig 2.18

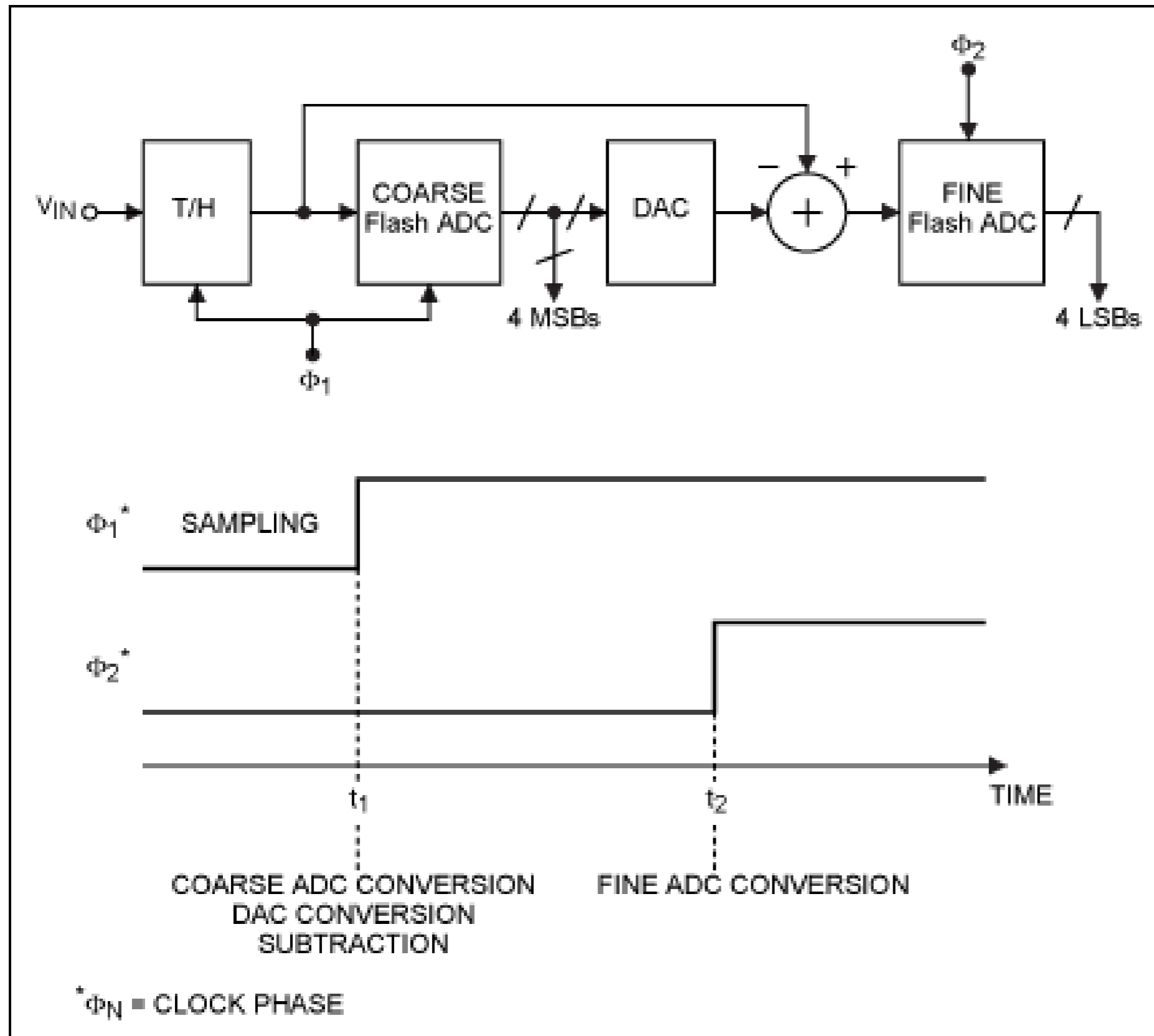


Two-stage Flash

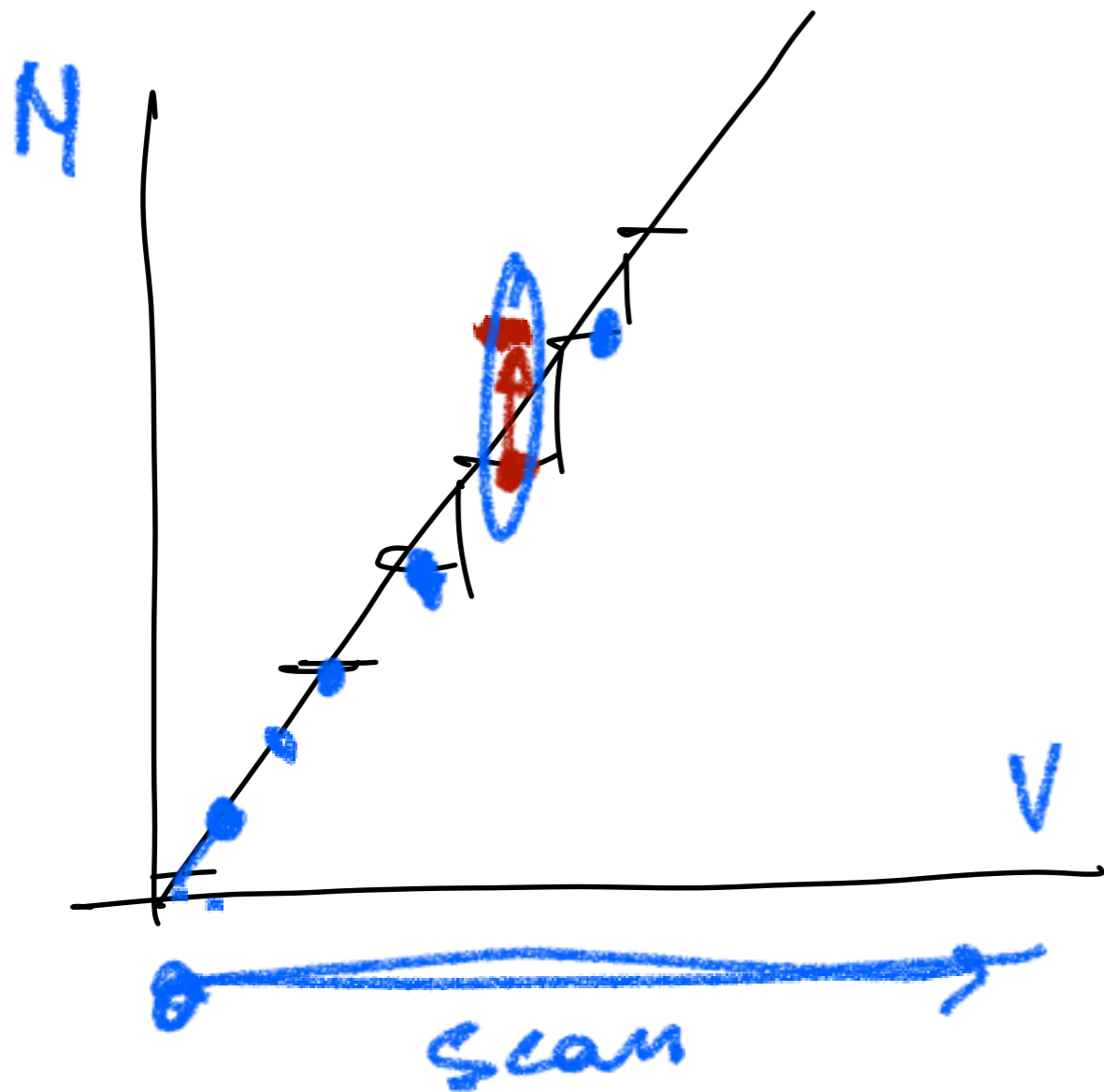
10 bits
1.024 V⁻
V_{LSB} = 1 mV



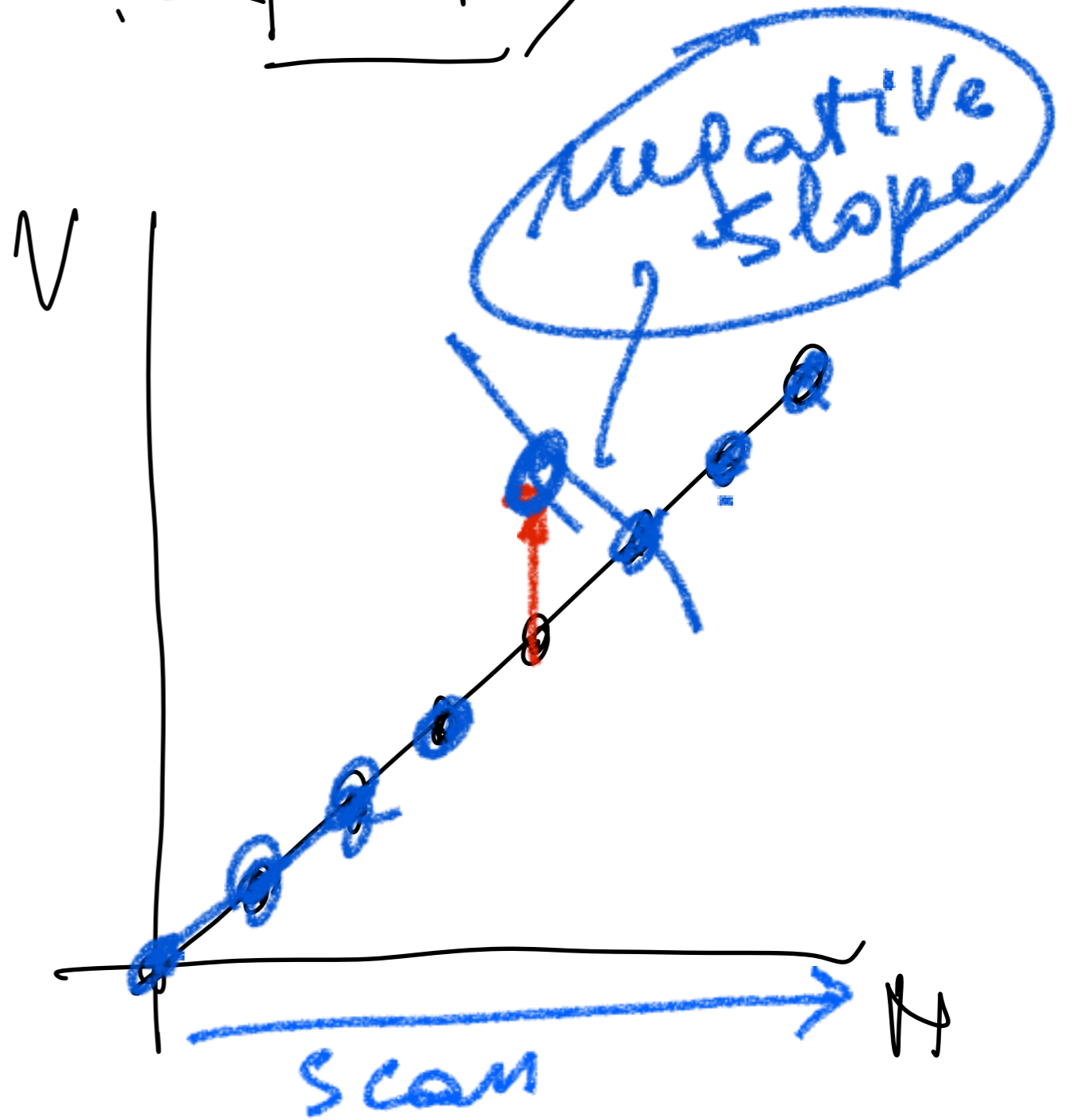
Two-Stage (Subranging) Flash ADC



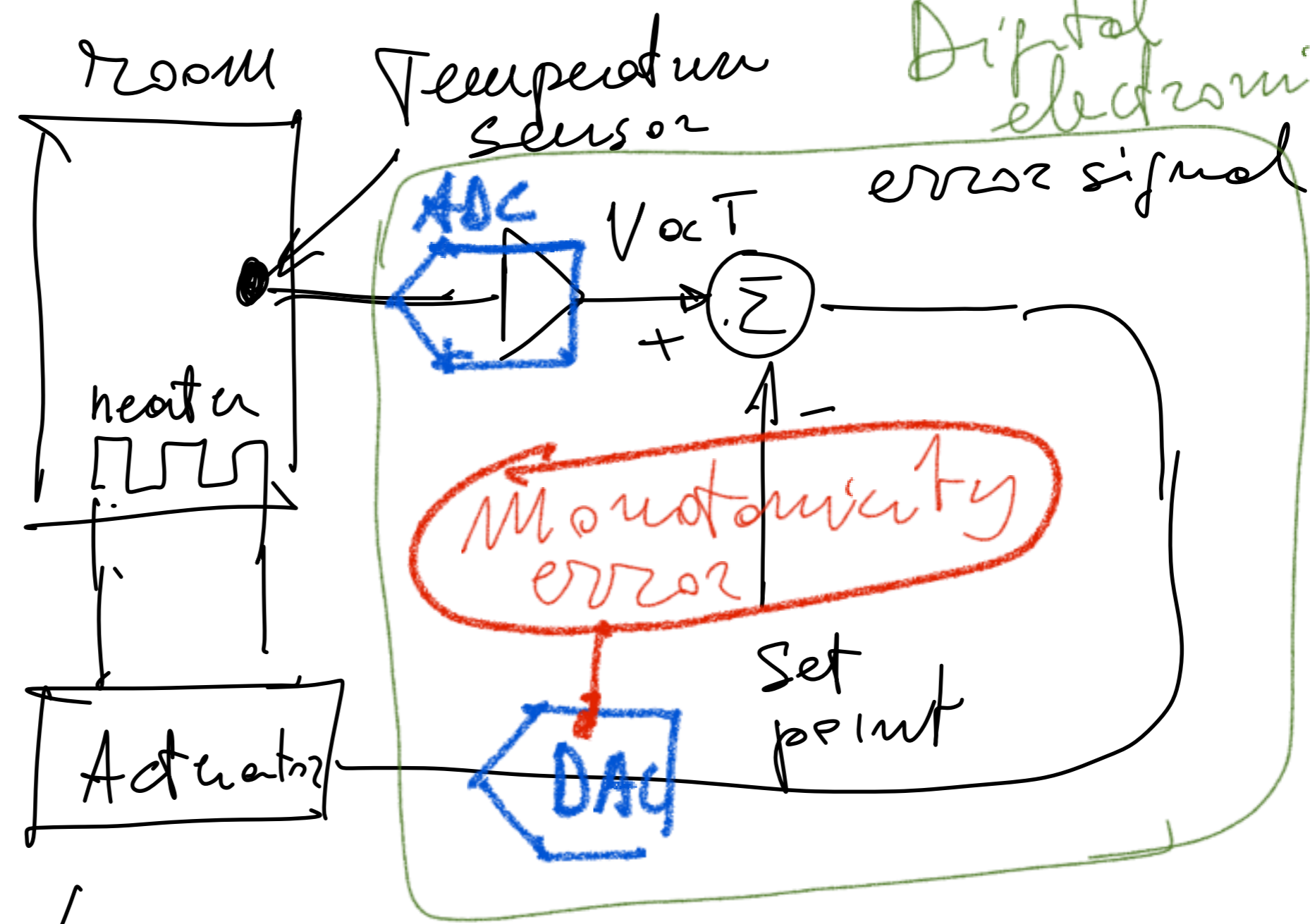
Missing Codes



Monotonicity error

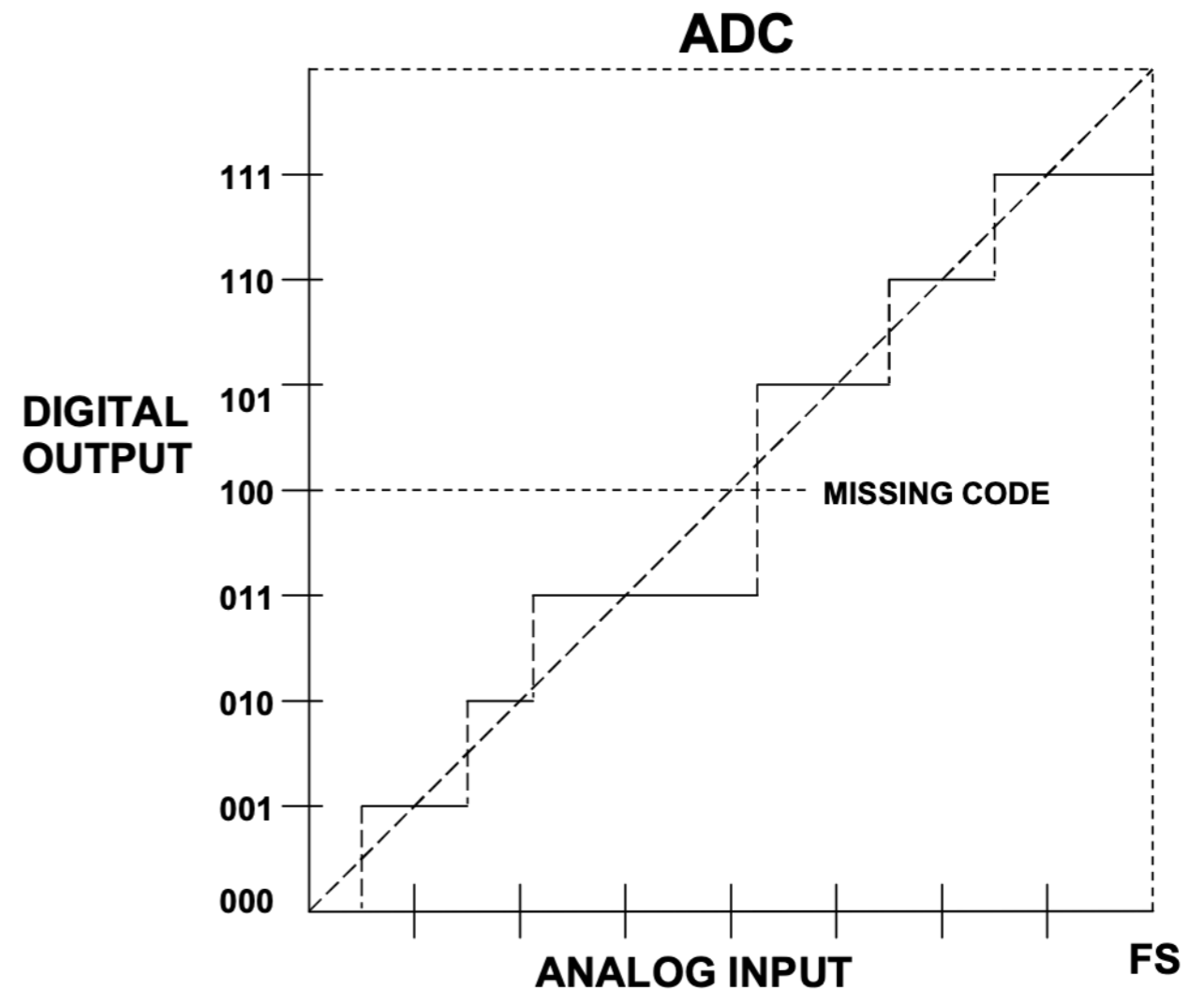
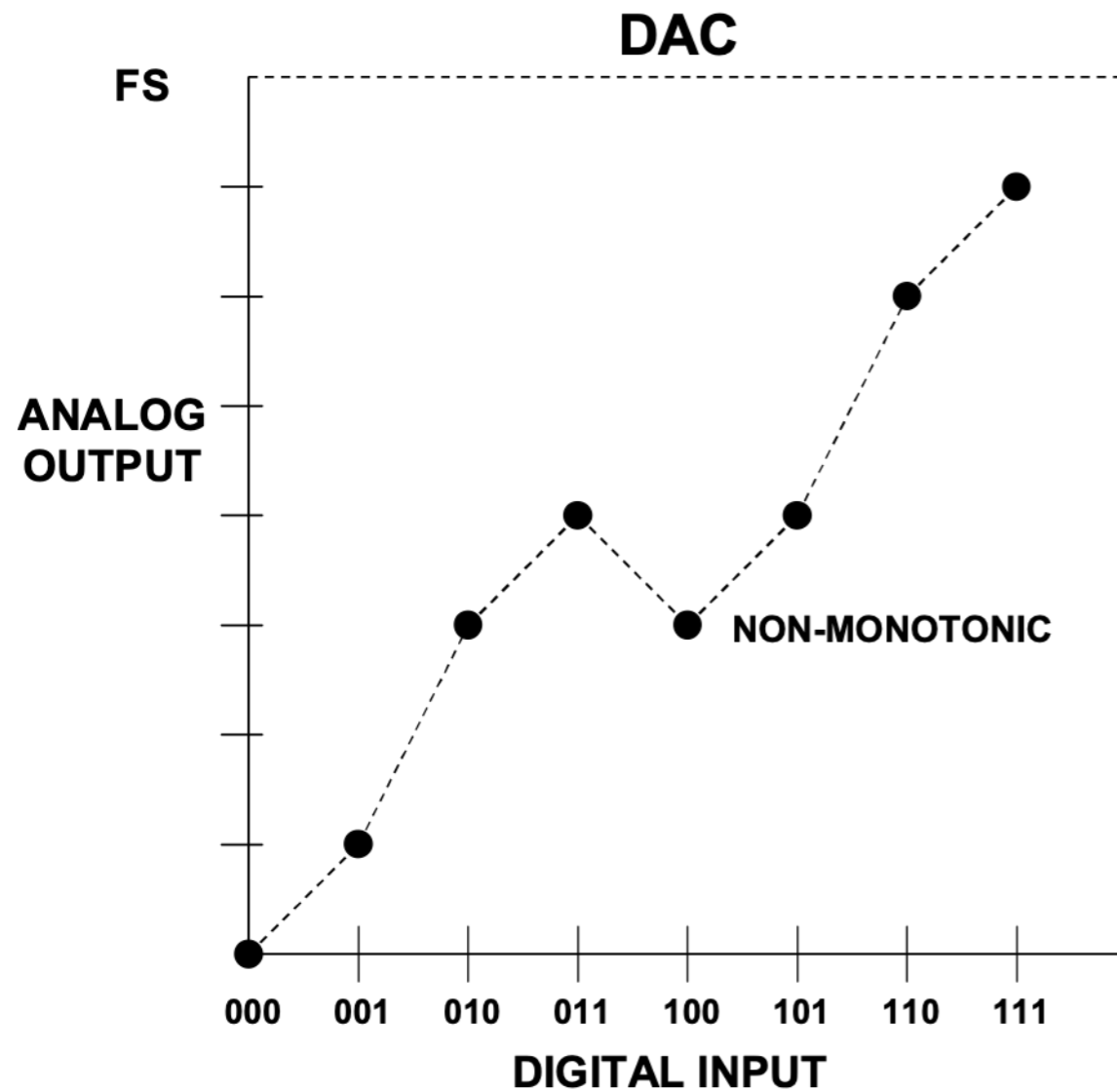


Digital electronics



The loop gain changes sign

Differential Nonlinearity



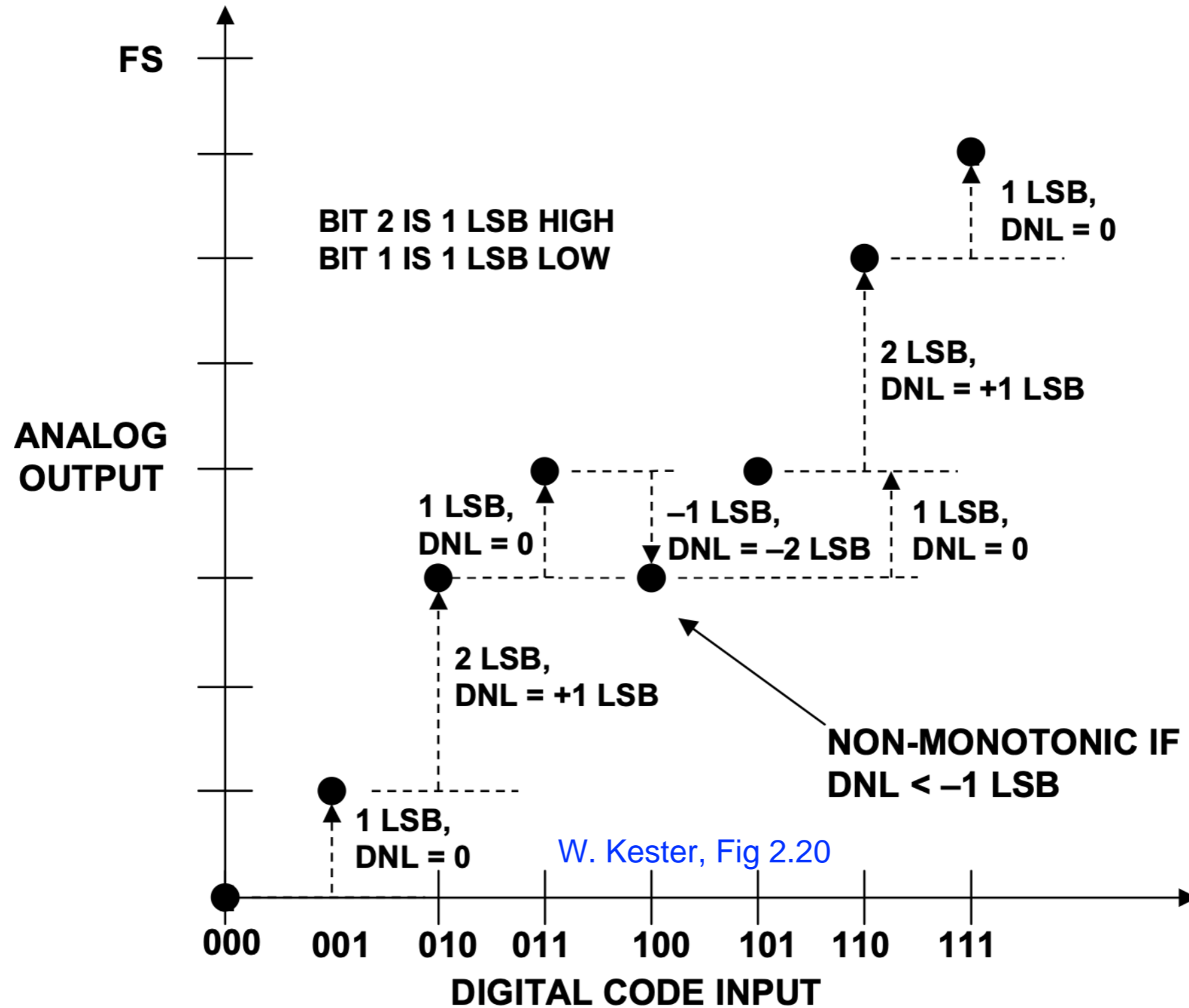
W. Kester, Fig 2.19

Monotonicity

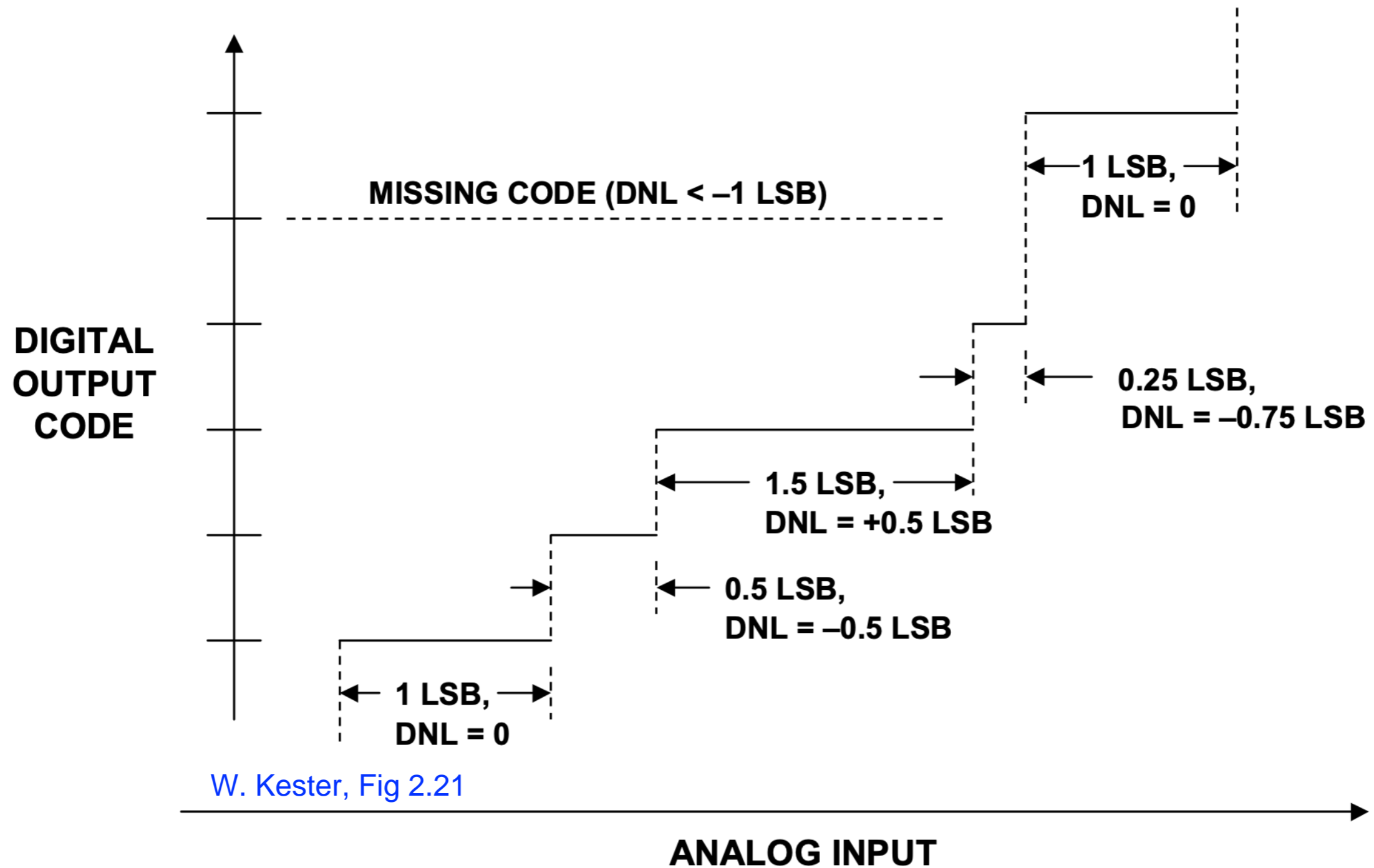
Control folks are obsessed by monotonicity

~~Old-fashioned controls~~

DAC Differential Nonlinearity



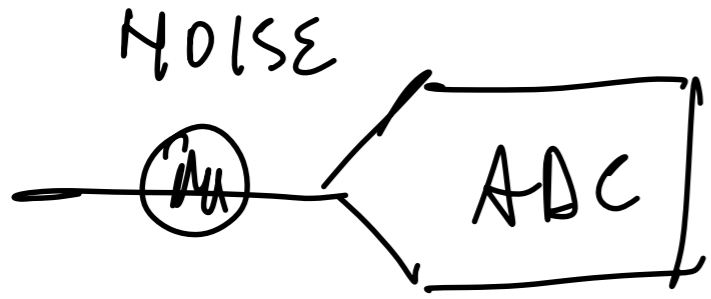
ADC Differential Nonlinearity



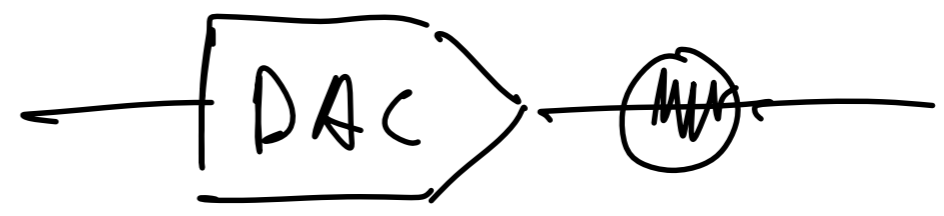
W. Kester, Fig 2.21

Code Transition and Noise

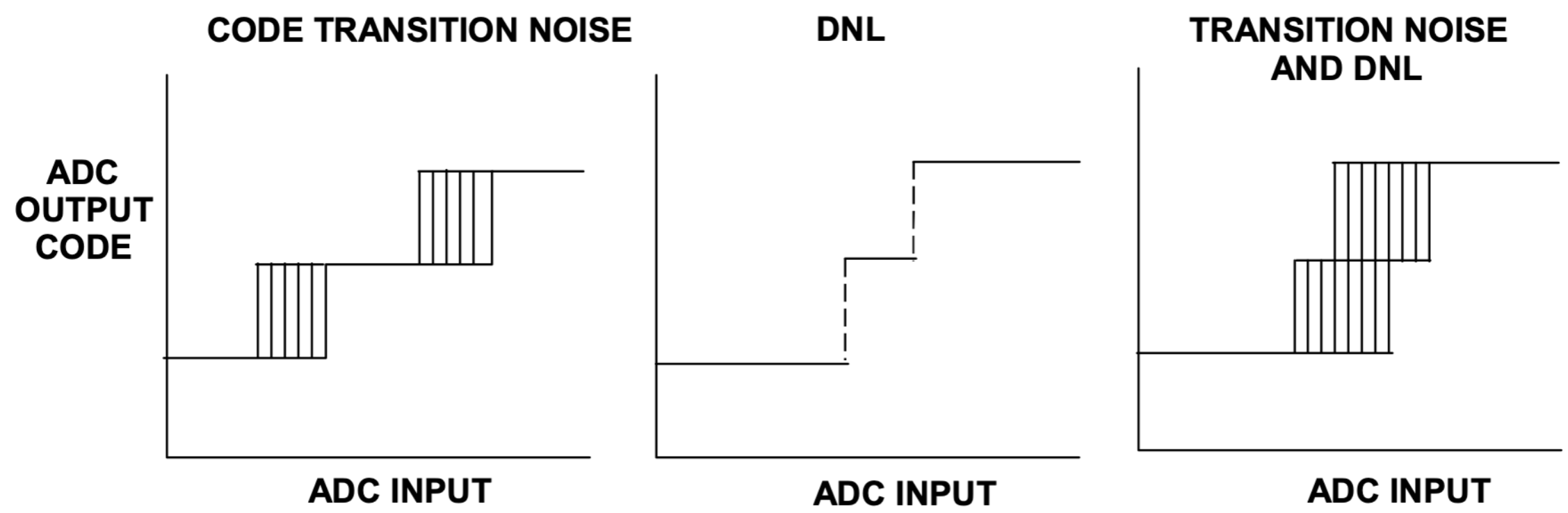
ENOB



Noise also affects V_{ref} and clock.



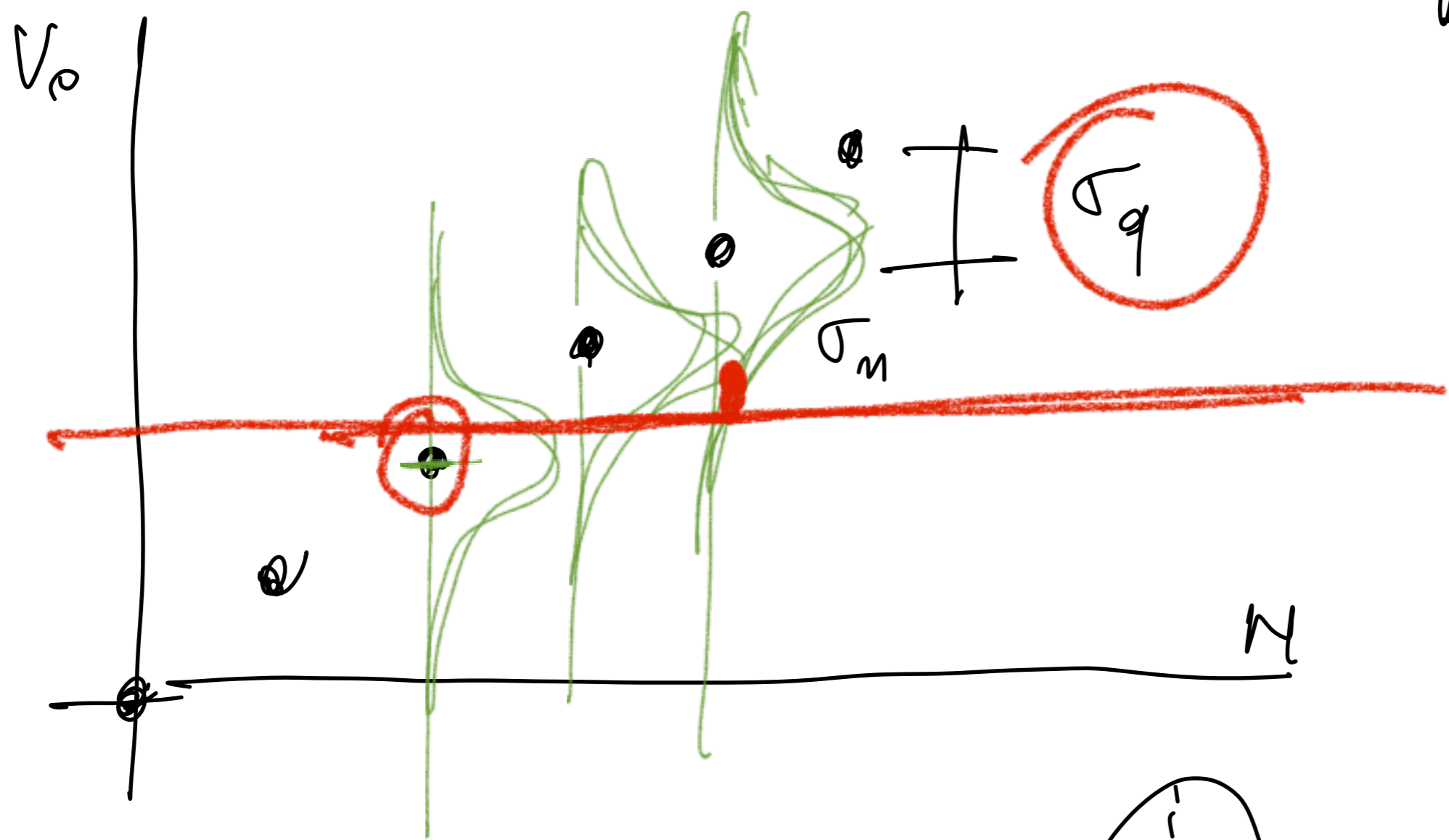
Noise can also affect V_{ref} and clock.



W. Kester, Fig 2.24

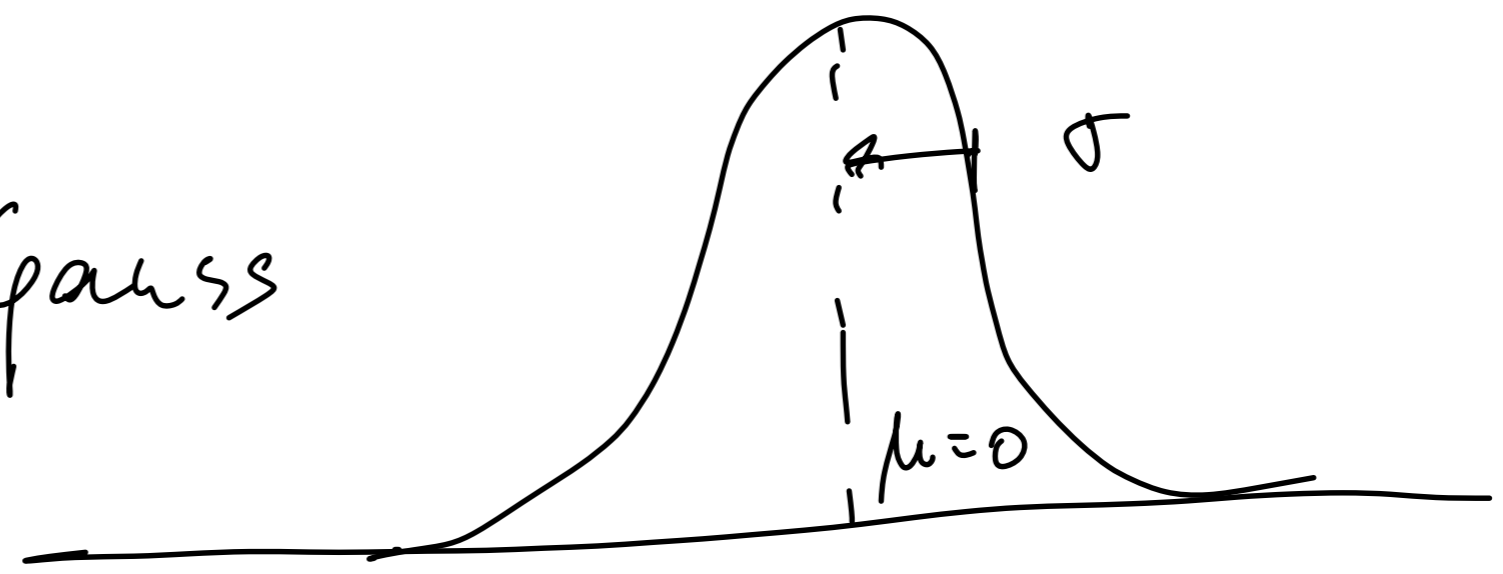
BUS Bits Vs Metrology

DAC



$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_q^2 + \sigma_n^2$$

Gauss

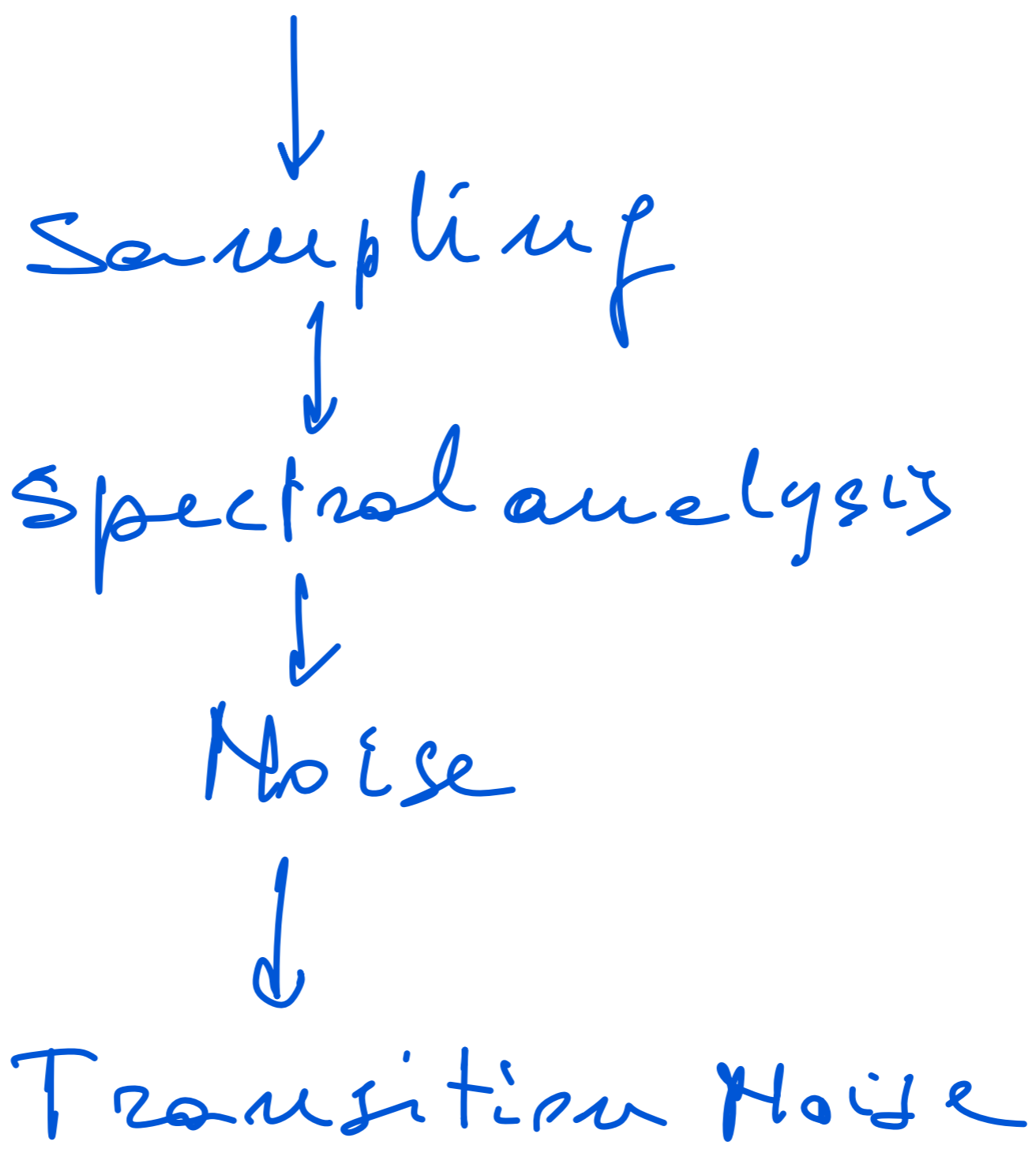


Now, DNL Is No Longer Useful as It Used to be

We will explain why later

First, we need sampling and noise

DNL & Transition Noise



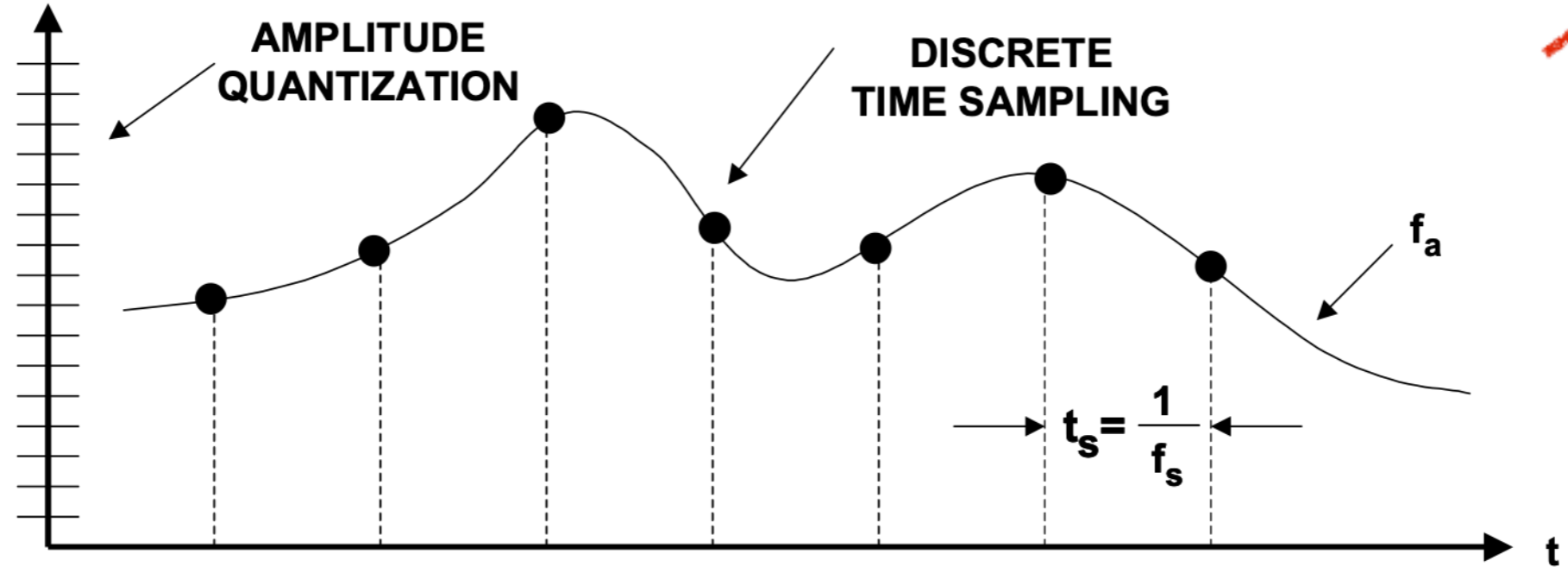
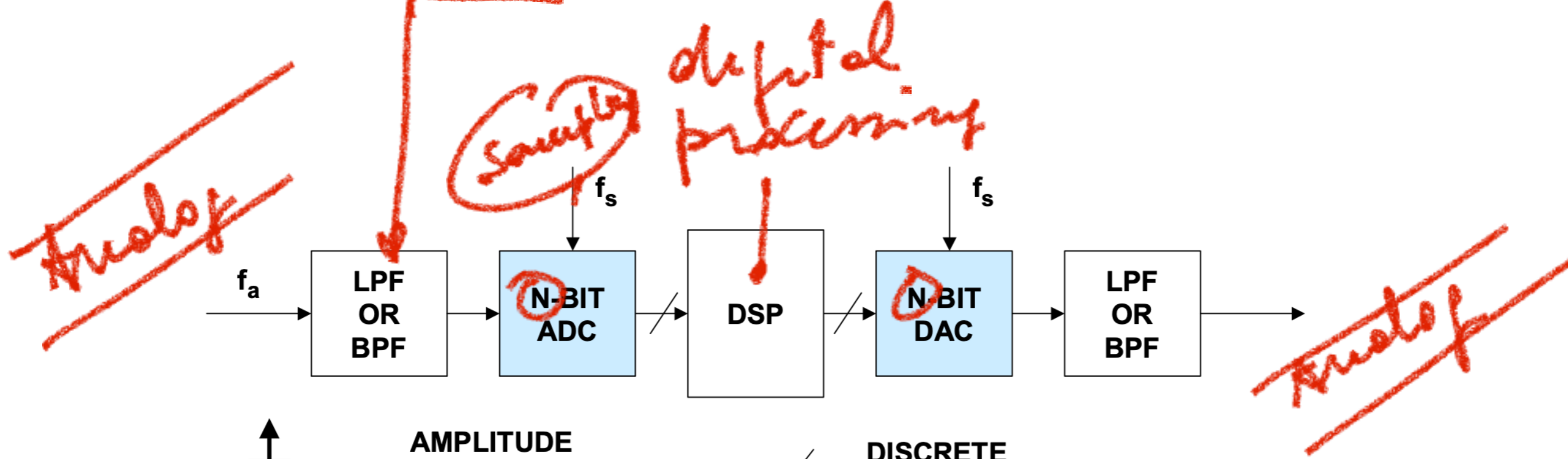
End of lecture 3

#4 Thursday, Sept 24, 2020

1.5 Hours

Sampling

Anti aliasing Basic



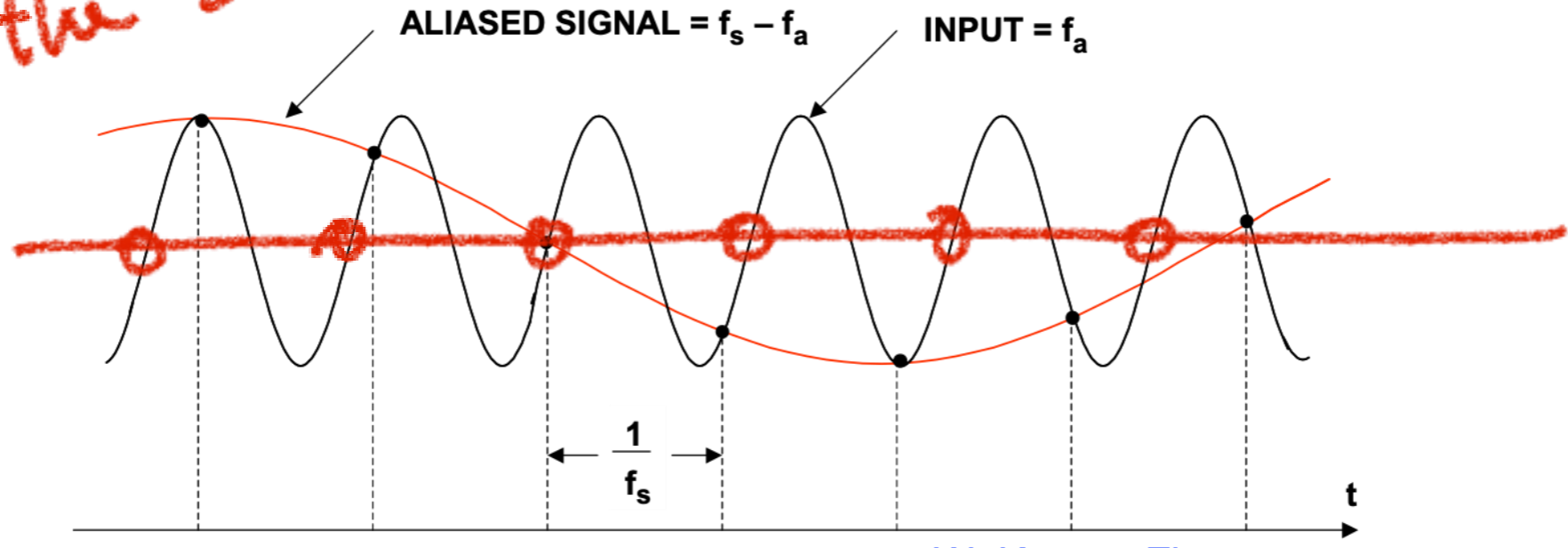
W. Kester, Fig 2.25

$$f_N = \frac{1}{2} f_s$$

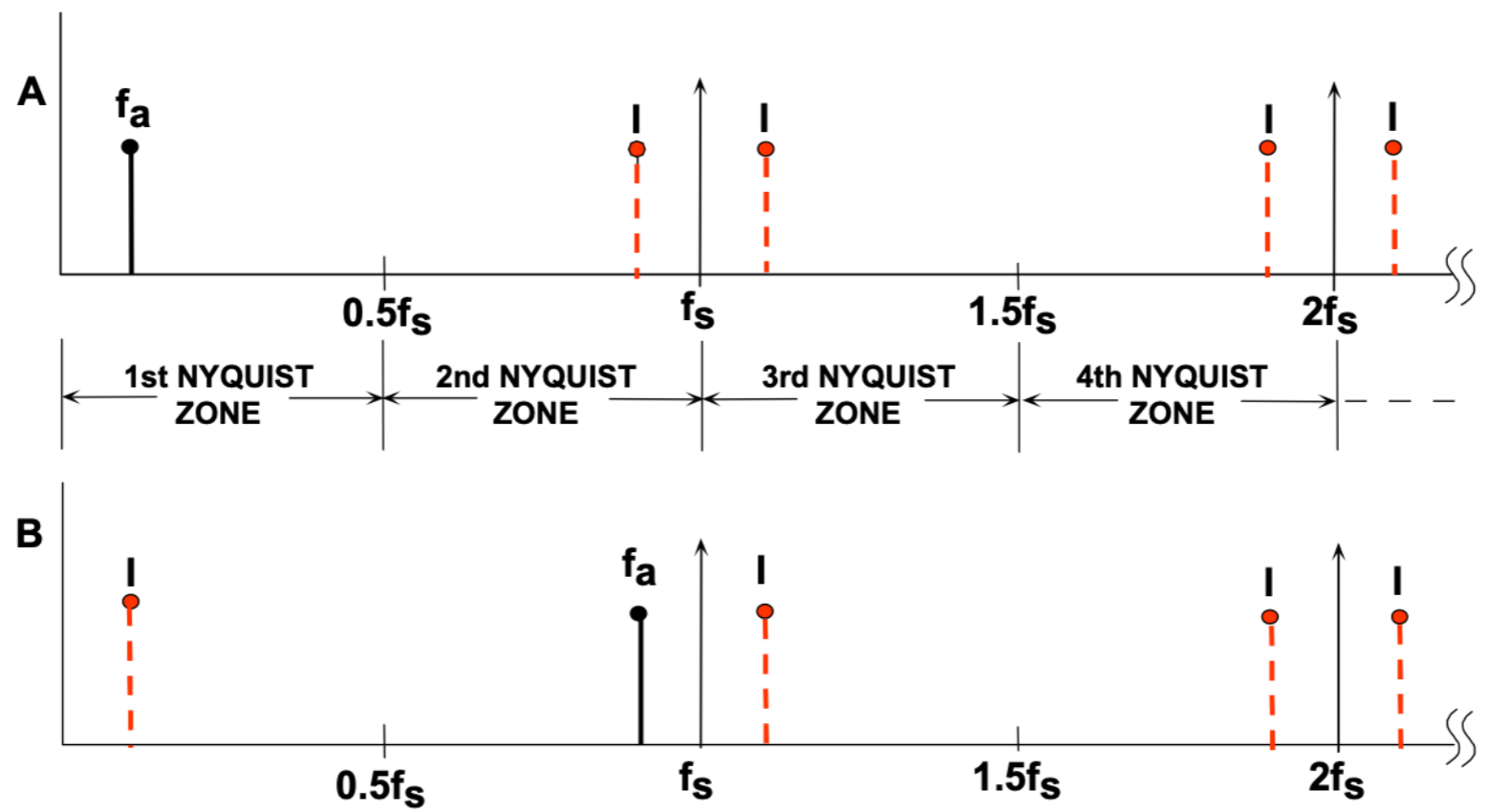
Nyquist Sampling

Aliasing

*Stroboscopic sampling
freeze the rotation*



W. Kester, Fig 2.30

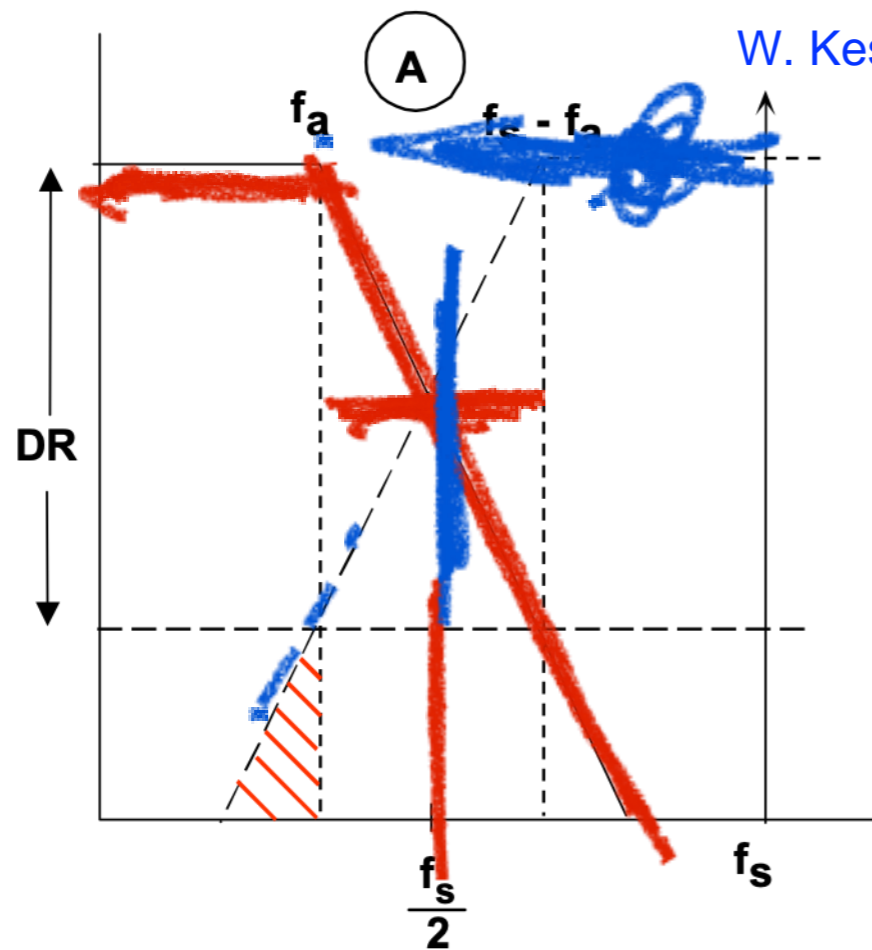


W. Kester, Fig 2.31

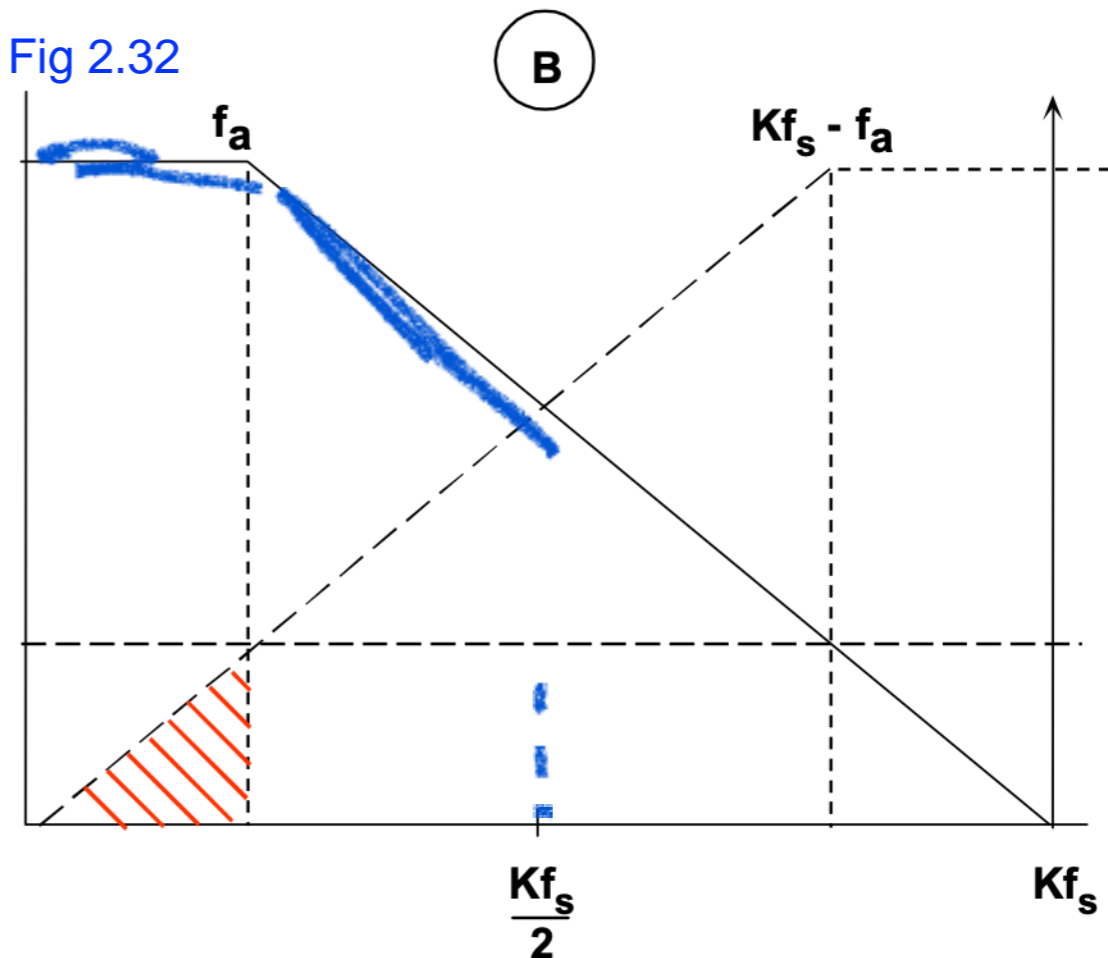


Aliasing

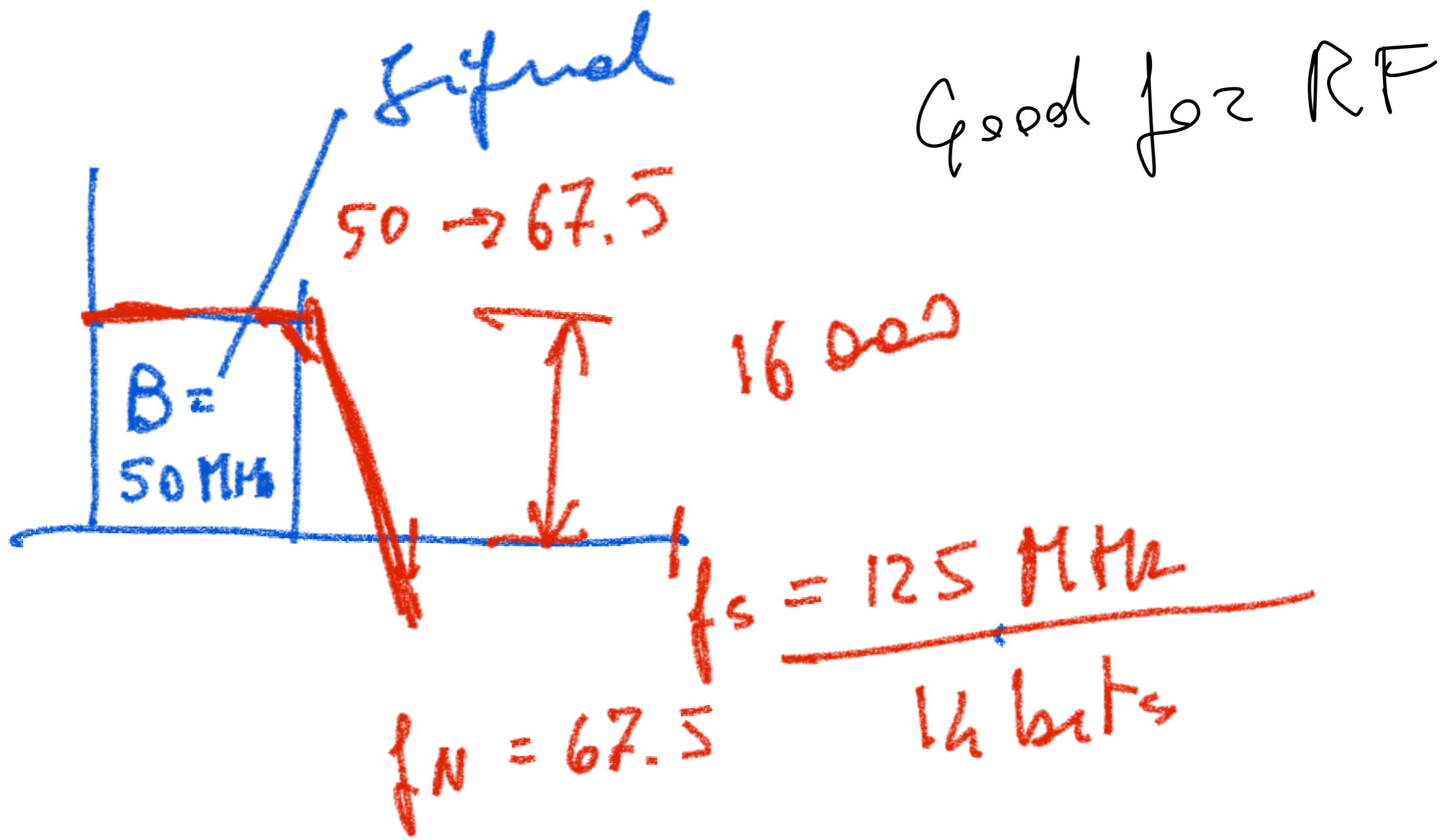
Antialiasing Filter & Oversampling⁷⁵



STOPBAND ATTENUATION = DR
TRANSITION BAND: f_a to $f_s - f_a$
CORNER FREQUENCY: f_a



STOPBAND ATTENUATION = DR
TRANSITION BAND: f_a to $Kf_s - f_a$
CORNER FREQUENCY: f_a



low frequency filters

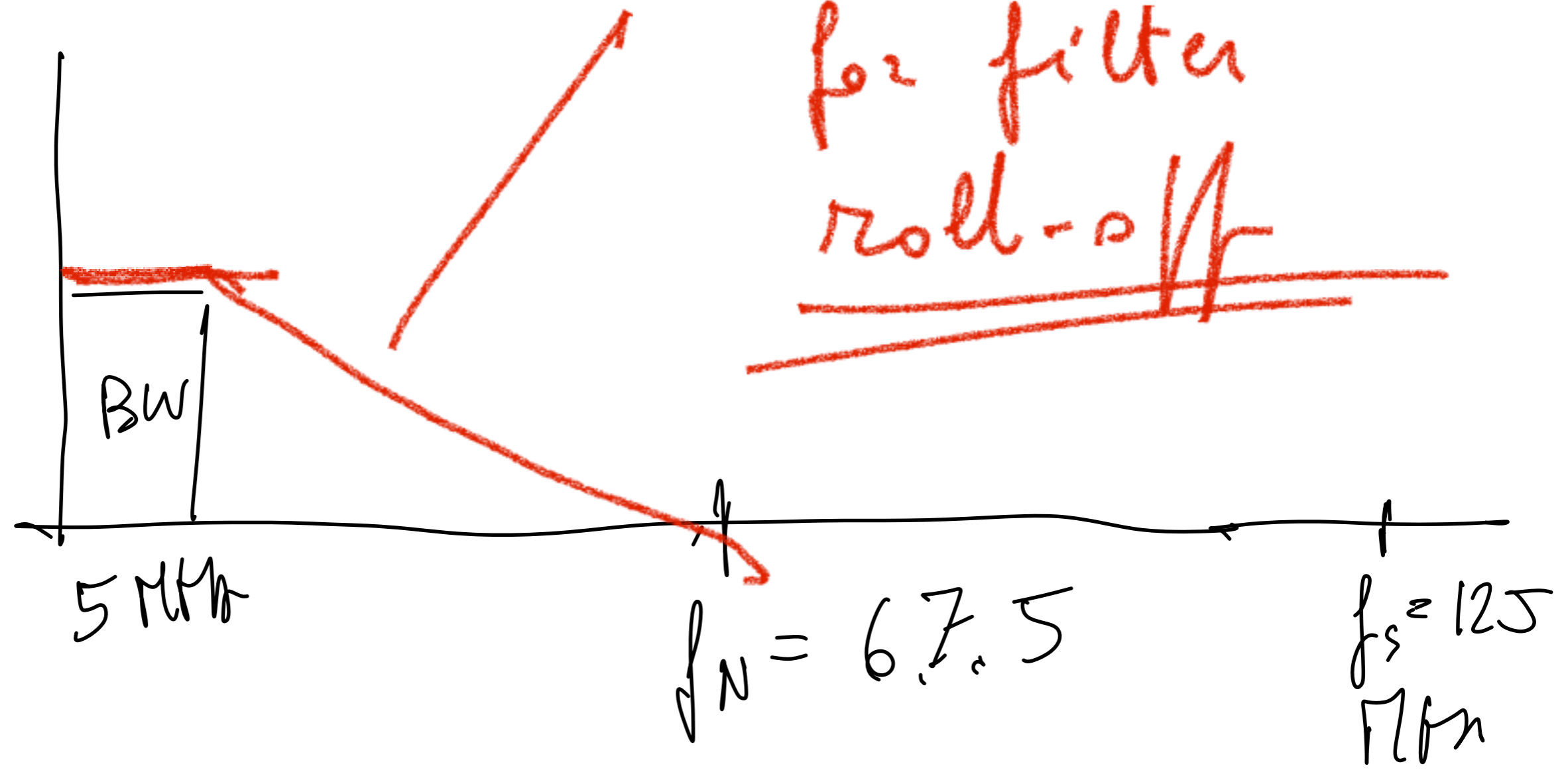
$$E = \frac{1}{2} L I^2$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} C V^2$$

- Energy
- Physical size

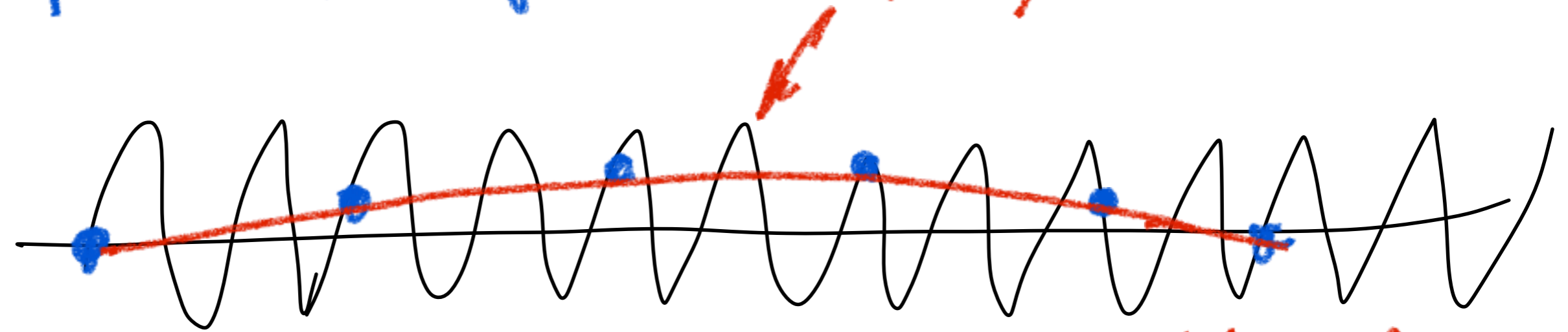
low frequency $< \frac{1}{10} \pi \text{MHz}$

> 1 decade
for filter
roll-off



New/recent ADCs intended
for $f > f_N$

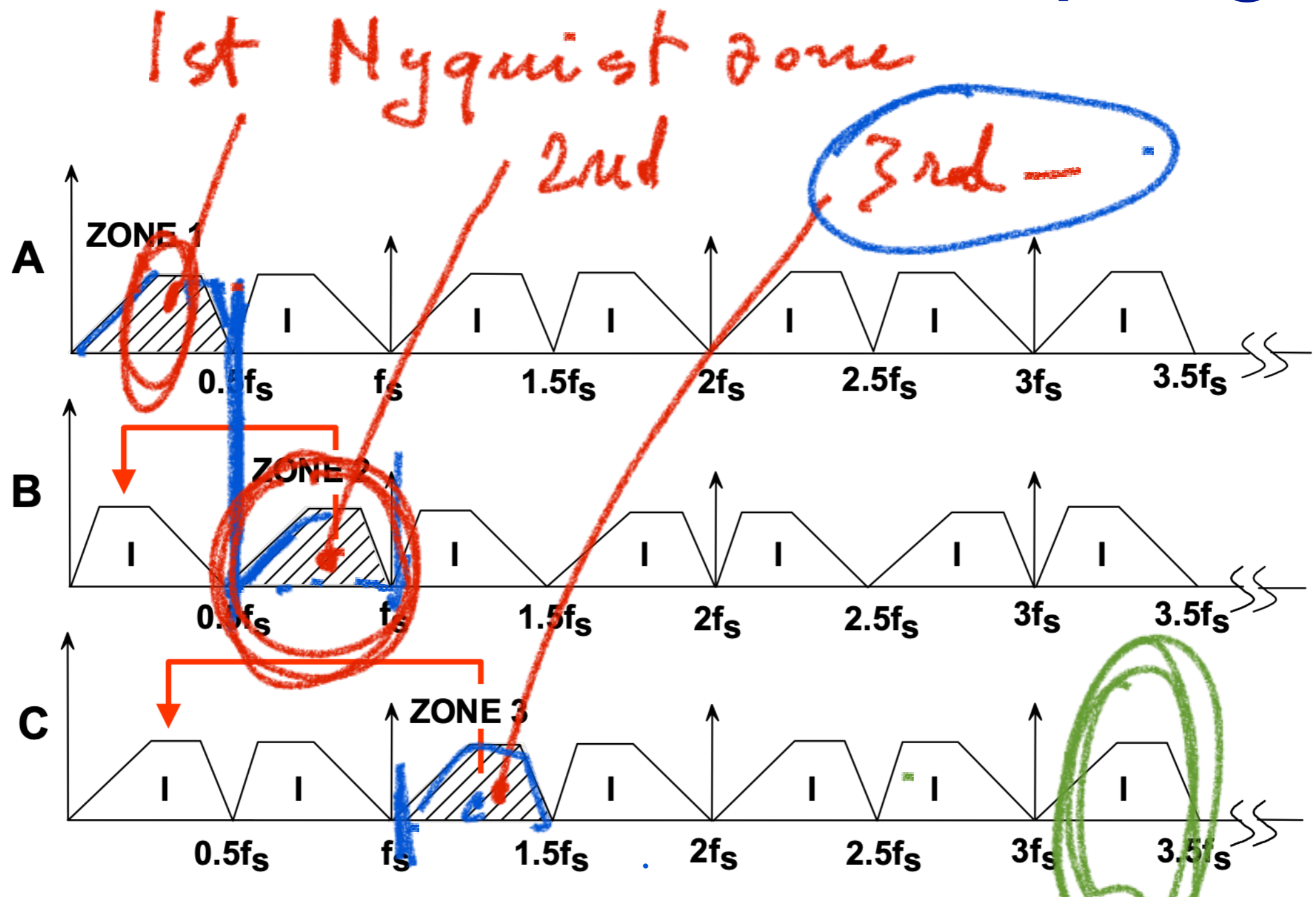
AM/PM



Amplitude Modulation
& Phase μ



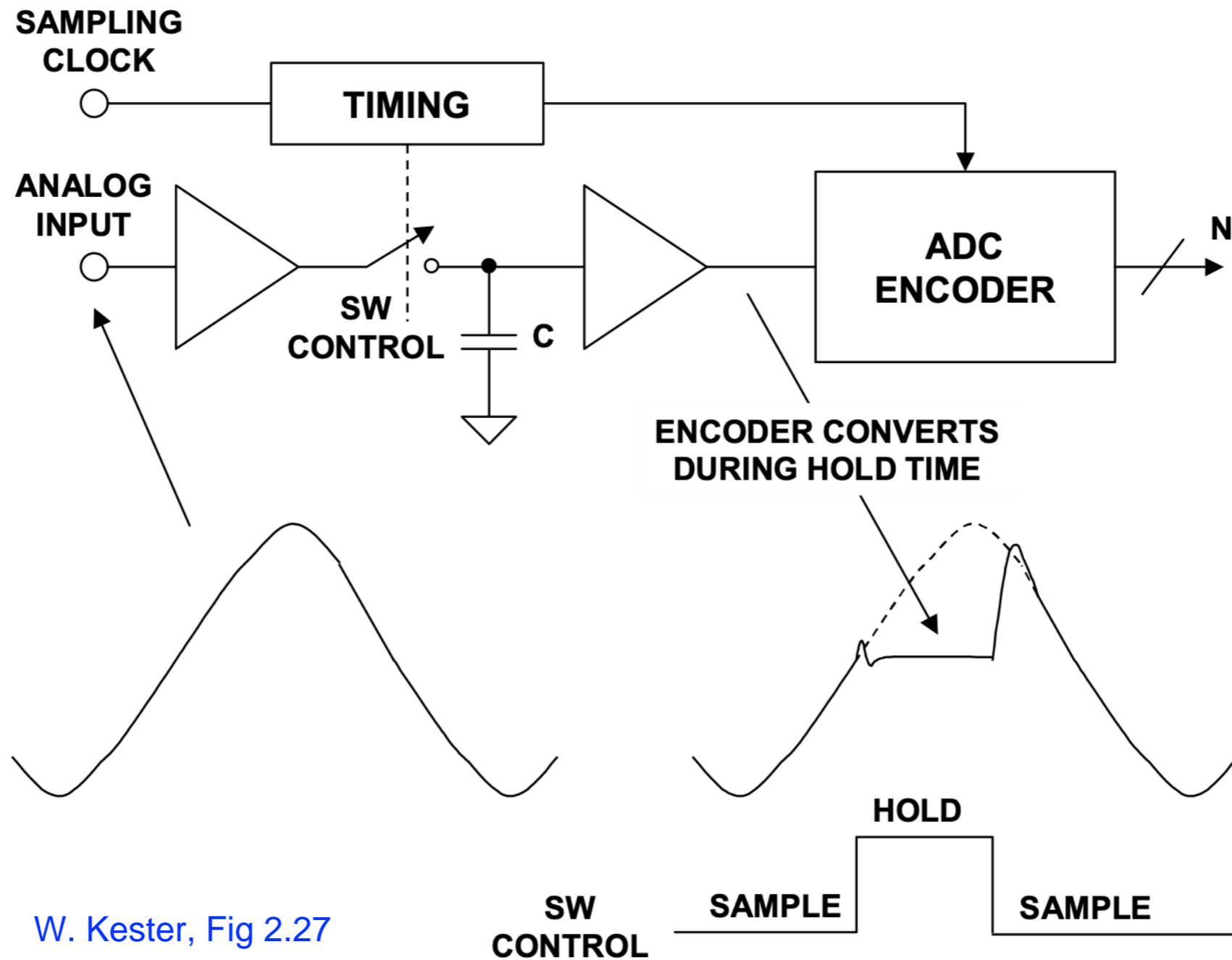
Intentional Undersampling



W. Kester, Fig 2.34

Anti-aliasing → band pass filter

Sample and Hold



W. Kester, Fig 2.27

Power, Spectra and Probability

Recall dB, dBm, dBV, dBm/Hz, dBV²/Hz etc. ⁸²

Power $(P_2/P_1)_{\text{dB}} = 10 \text{ Log}_{10}(P_2/P_1)$

Power, dBm $P_{\text{dBm}} = 10 \text{ Log}_{10}(P/P_{\text{ref}}), \quad P_{\text{ref}} = 1 \text{ mW}$

Voltage $(V_2/V_1)_{\text{dB}} = 20 \text{ Log}_{10}(V_2/V_1)$

Current $(I_2/I_1)_{\text{dB}} = 20 \text{ Log}_{10}(I_2/I_1)$

Voltage, dBV $V_{\text{dBV}} = 20 \text{ Log}_{10}(V/V_{\text{ref}}), \quad V_{\text{ref}} = 1 \text{ V}$

Obvious extension, use

10 Log for power,

20 Log for voltage and current

$P = 105 \text{ kW}$

dBm

- 0 dBm = 1mW
- 30 " 1W
- 60 " 1kW
- 80 → 100kW

$$\ln(10) = 2.305$$

$$\ln(1+x) = x \quad \text{small } x \quad \log_{10} A = \frac{\ln(A)}{\ln(10)}$$

$$\left[\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right]_{\text{dB}} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_2}{P_1}$$

$$\left[\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right]_{\text{dB}} = 20 \log_{10} \frac{V_2}{V_1} \quad , \quad \left[\frac{I_2}{I_1} \right]_{\text{dB}} \quad \frac{P_2 = V_2^2 / R}{P_1 = V_1^2 / R}$$

$$\text{dBm} \quad 10 \log_{10} \frac{P}{1 \text{ mW}}$$

$$\text{dBV} \quad 20 \log_{10} \frac{V}{1 \text{ V}}$$

Examples

- Car engine, 137 HP (102 kW) \rightarrow dBm
- Antenna signal, 300 μ V \rightarrow dBV
- Antenna signal, 300 μ V \rightarrow dBm, assume 50 Ω input

Variance (signal power)

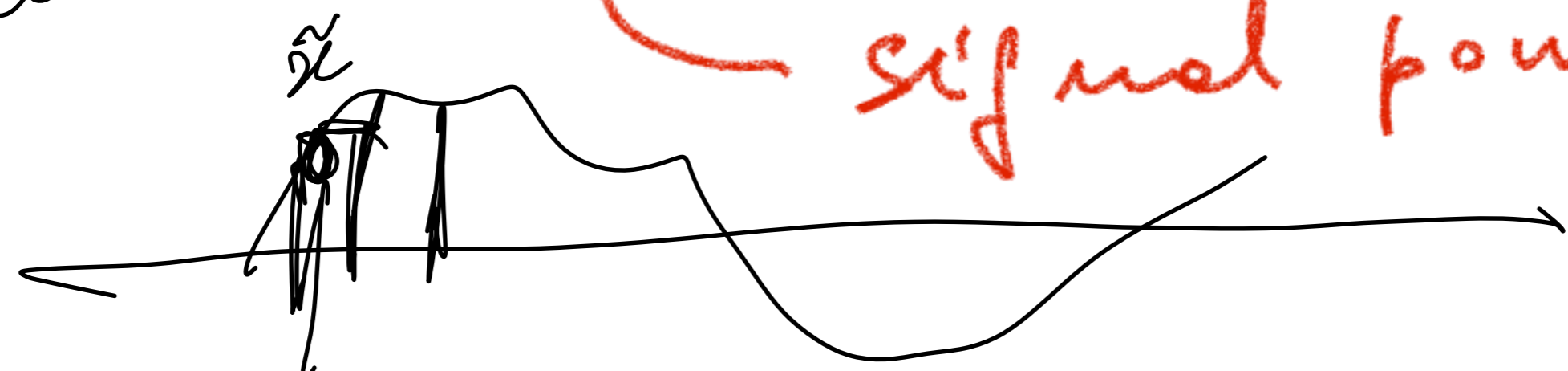
Time domain

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T |x(t) - \mu|^2 dt$$

dc

remove dc

signal power



$P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x^2 dt$

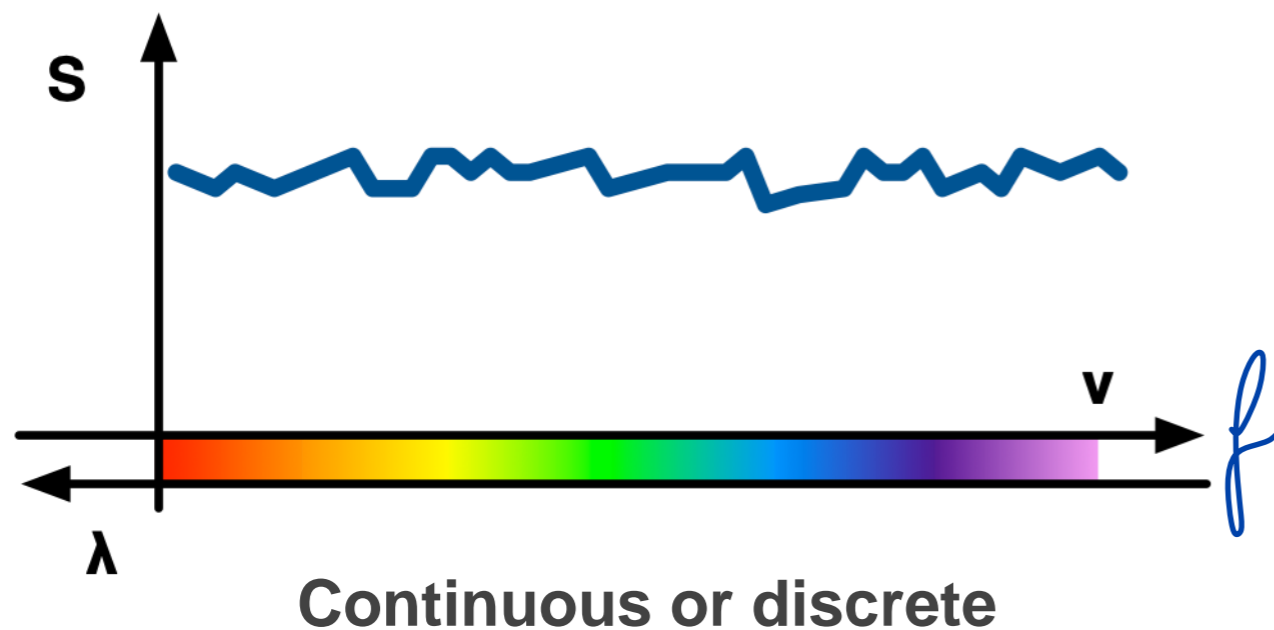
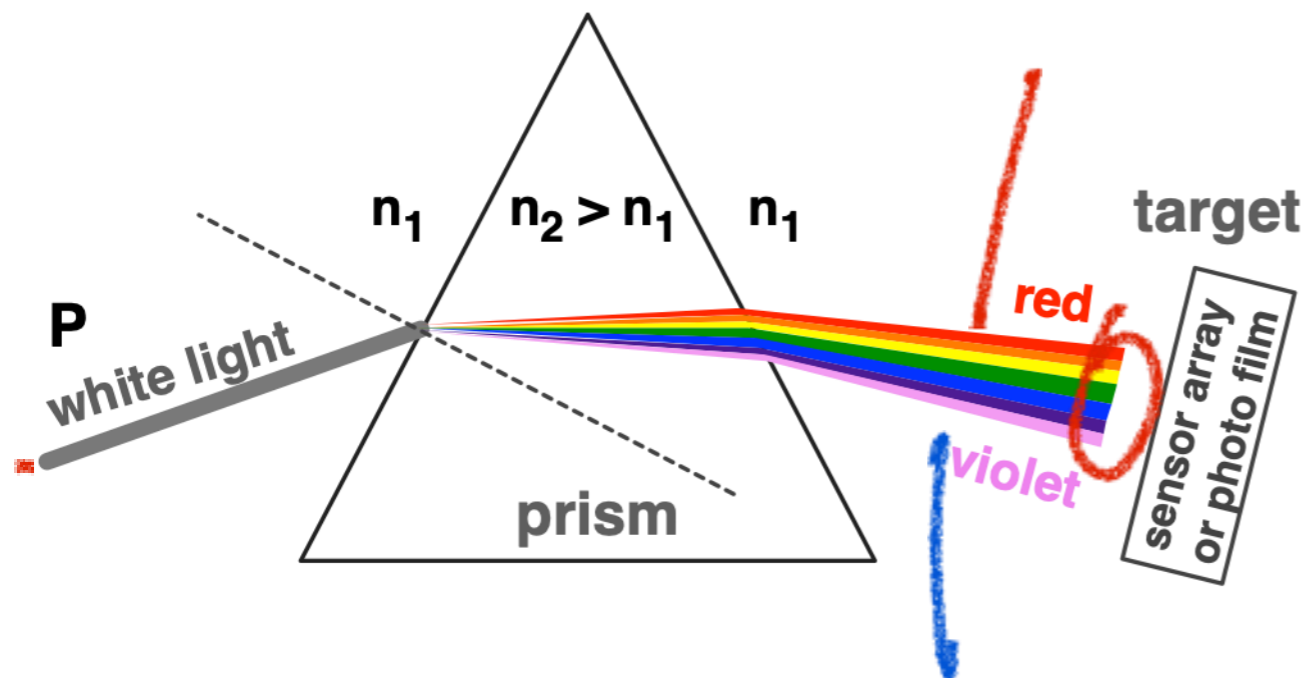
Average power

\tilde{x}

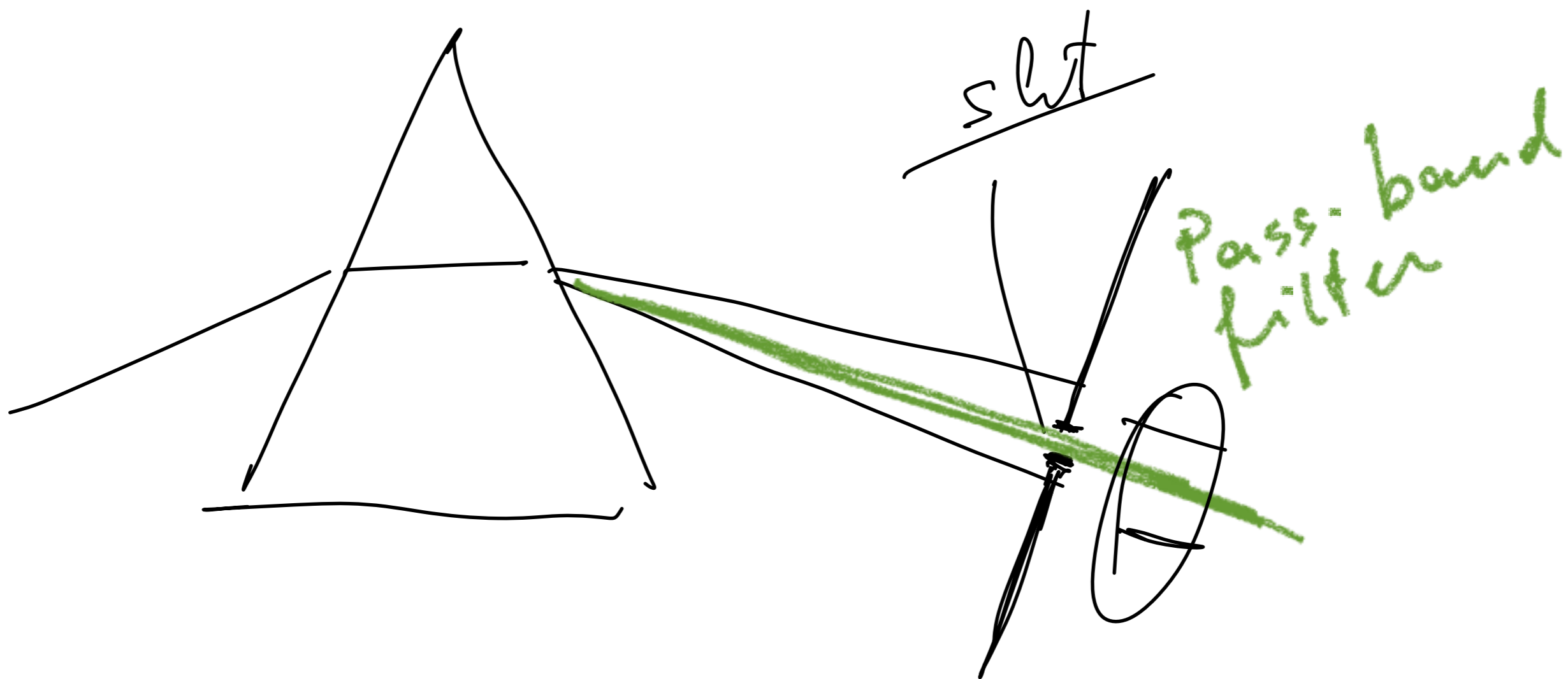
Power Spectral Density $S(f)$

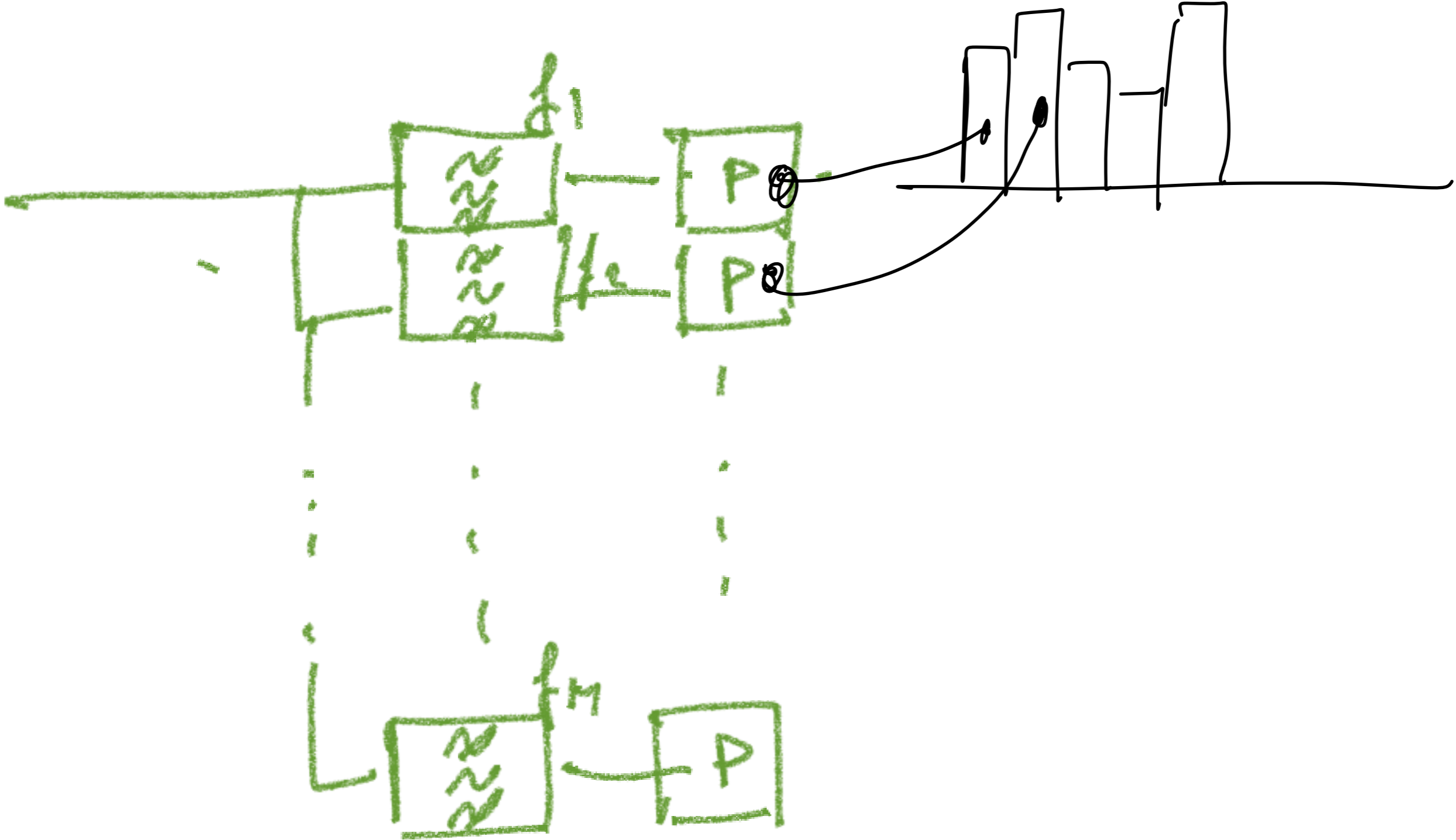
PSD

B f_1, f_2 \leftrightarrow pixel



- The PSD is the distribution of power vs. frequency (power in 1-Hz bandwidth)
- The PS is the distribution of energy vs. frequency (energy in 1-Hz bandwidth)
- Frequency can be continuous or discrete (histogram),
- In mathematics,
- the power is a square quantity
- the energy is power integrated in time
- Power (energy) in physics is a square (integrated) quantity
- PSD \rightarrow W/Hz (or V^2/Hz , A^2/Hz , etc.)
- PS \rightarrow J/Hz





Empiric Definition of the PSD

Experimentel

$$P = \int_0^{\infty} S(f) df$$

Total power

$$P_{ab} = \int_a^b S(f) df$$

Power in a bandwidth

$$P_{ab} + P_{cd} = \int_a^b S(f) df + \int_c^d S(f) df$$

$ab \cap cd$

Power in separate bands adds up

Parseval Theorem

The power P (the variance σ^2) of a signal can be evaluated in time domain or in the frequency domain, and the result is the same

$$P = \int_0^{\infty} S(f) df$$

One-sided PSD

**Frequency
domain**

$$P = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

avg. power

**Time
domain**

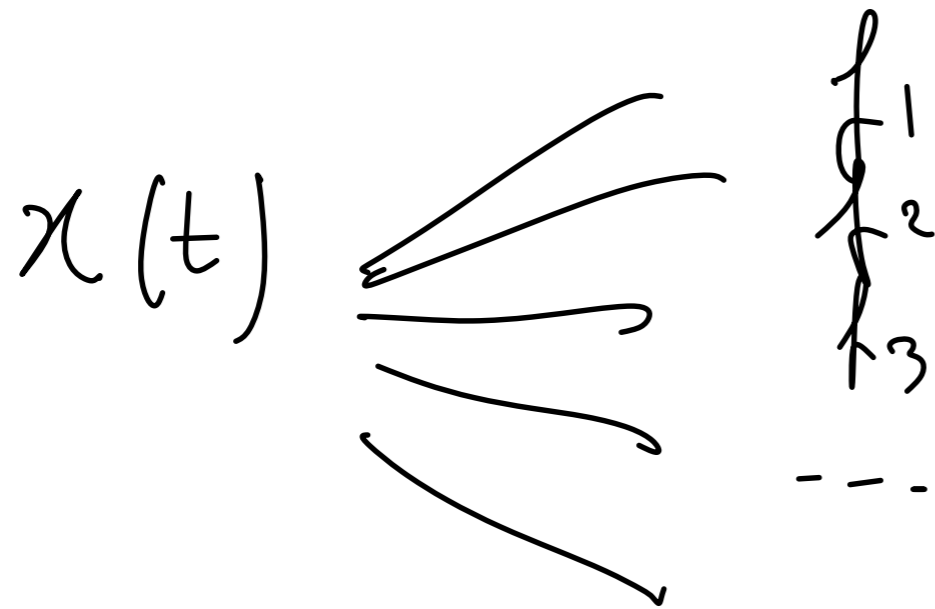
\int_0^T for deterministic signals

Fourier Transform and PSD

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-i2\pi ft} dt$$

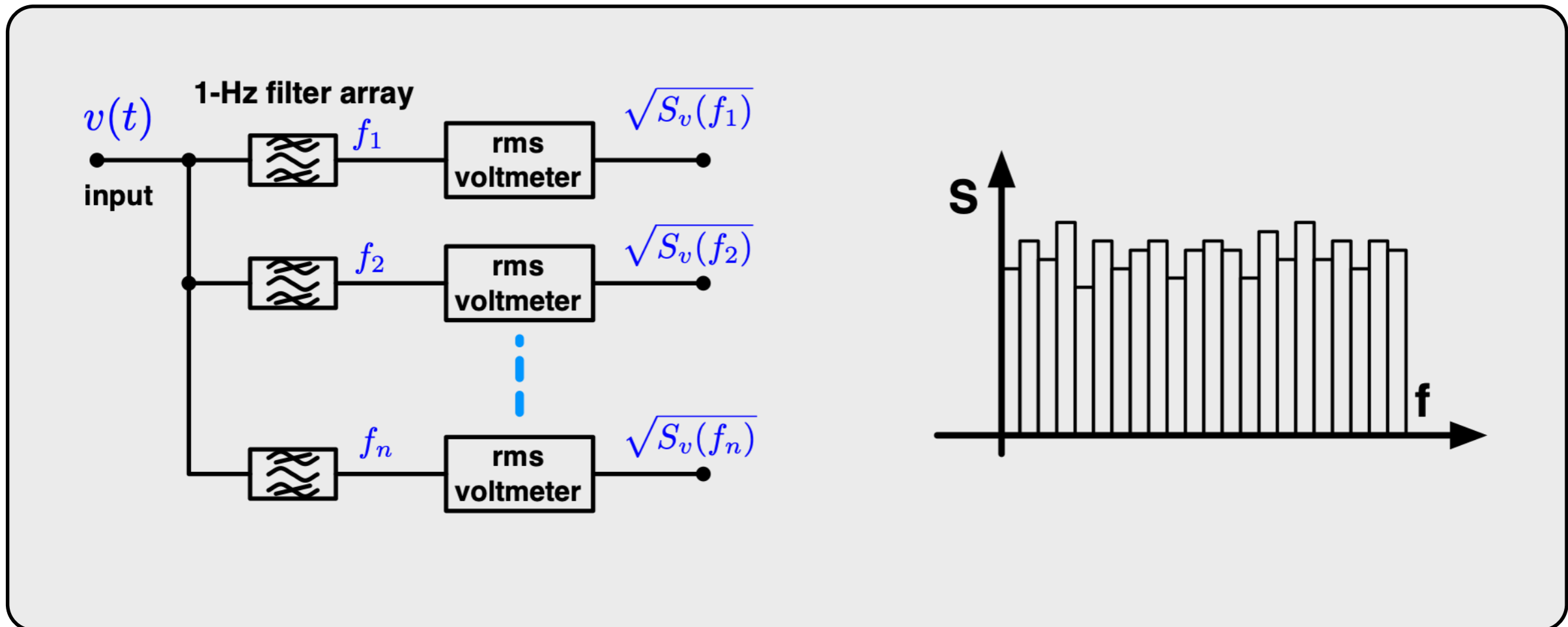
Scalar product
 (x, y)

$$= x_1 y_1^* + x_2 y_2^* + x_3 y_3^* + \dots$$



$$X(n) = \sum x_k e^{-i2\pi \frac{n}{T} t}$$

Parallel Spectrum Analyzer



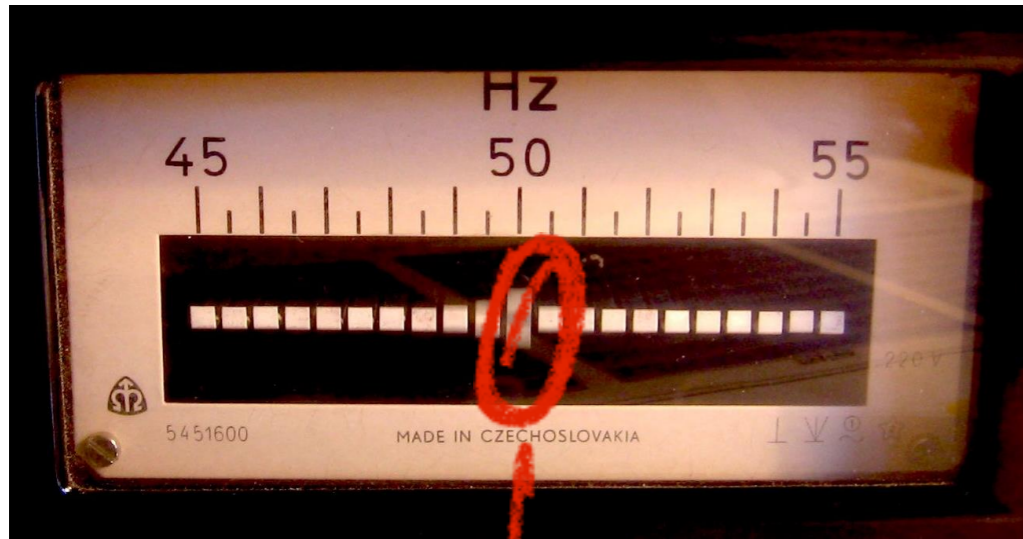
Rice representation \rightarrow Extension of the Fourier series

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) - b_n(t) \sin(n\omega_0 t)$$

$$S_x(n\omega_0) = [a_n^2 + b_n^2] / \omega_0$$

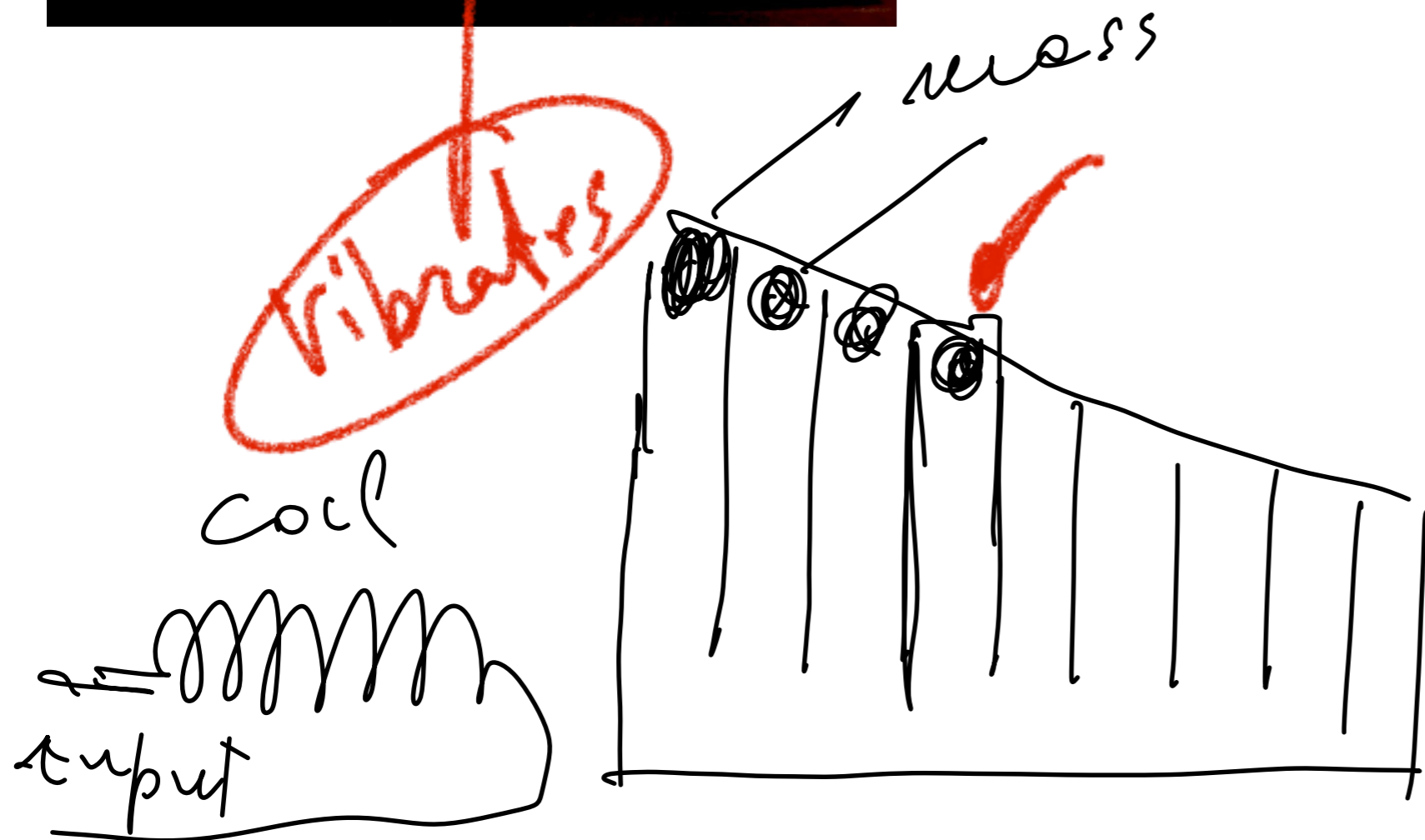
ω_0 is the analysis bandwidth

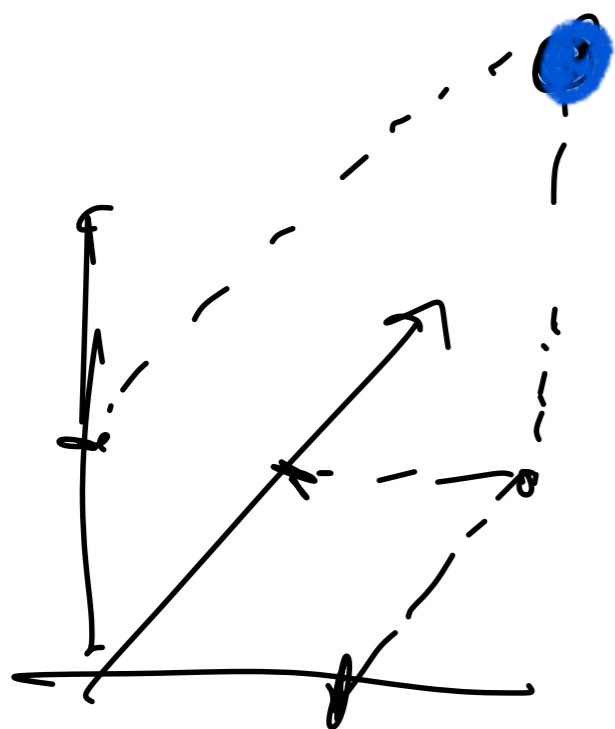
Vibrating-Reed Frequency Meter



Mass & Spring \rightarrow resonator

non-Spring resonator





$\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$

IFT

$$x(t) = \int \underbrace{X(f)}_{\text{components}} \underbrace{e^{i2\pi ft}}_{\text{base of the Hilbert space}} df$$

components

base of
the Hilbert
space

$$X(f, \Delta) X^*(f, \Delta) \sim P(f, \Delta)$$

T acquisition time / uncorrelated signal

$$S_x(f) = \frac{1}{T} X_T(f) X_T^*(f)$$

acquisition time

single sided PSD



$$\frac{2}{T} X_T(f) X_T^*(f), f > 0$$

energy conservation

End of lecture

#4

#5 Thursday, October 1, 2020

1.5 Hours

DFT, FFT, FFTW, SFFT

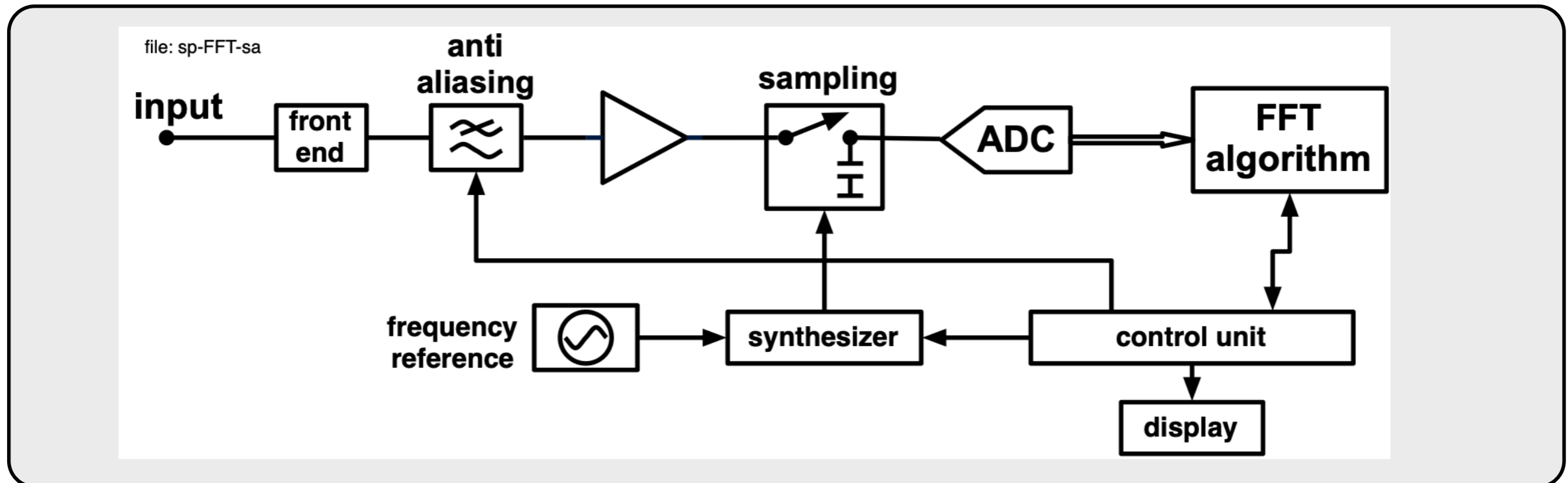
The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) approximates the (continuous) FT

$$X\left(\frac{n}{NT}\right) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(kT_s) e^{-i2\pi nk/N} \quad \text{Basic DFT}$$

- The direct computation of the **DFT** takes $\approx N^2$ multiplications
 T_s = sampling interval, $f_s = 1/T_s$
- The **FFT** is an algorithm for **Fast** computation of the DFT that takes $\approx N \log(N)$ multiplications
- The **FFTW**, “the Fastest Fourier Transform in the **West**,” is an even faster.
 $N \log(N)$ multiplications (M. Frigo, S.G. Johnson, MIT)
 See <http://fftw.org/>
- **SFFT** “faster-than-fast” **Sparse** (FFT, D.Katabi, P. Indyk, MIT)
 See <http://groups.csail.mit.edu/netmit/sFFT/>
- For the general user (does not implement FT algorithms)



FFT Spectrum Analyzer



- Direct digitization of the input signal
- Fully digital process
- Limited to $f_{\max} \approx 0.4 \times f_{\text{sampling}}$
- Tough tradeoff between resolution and max frequency

FT, DFT and PSD of Periodic Signals ¹⁰¹

FT contains Dirac delta(t) \rightarrow $|X(f)|^2$ does not exist

DFT $|X(f)|^2$ is always a valid quantity \rightarrow no problem

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-i 2\pi f t} dt$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \omega_1 t \cos \omega_2 t dt = \dots \delta(t) \text{ (coef)}$$

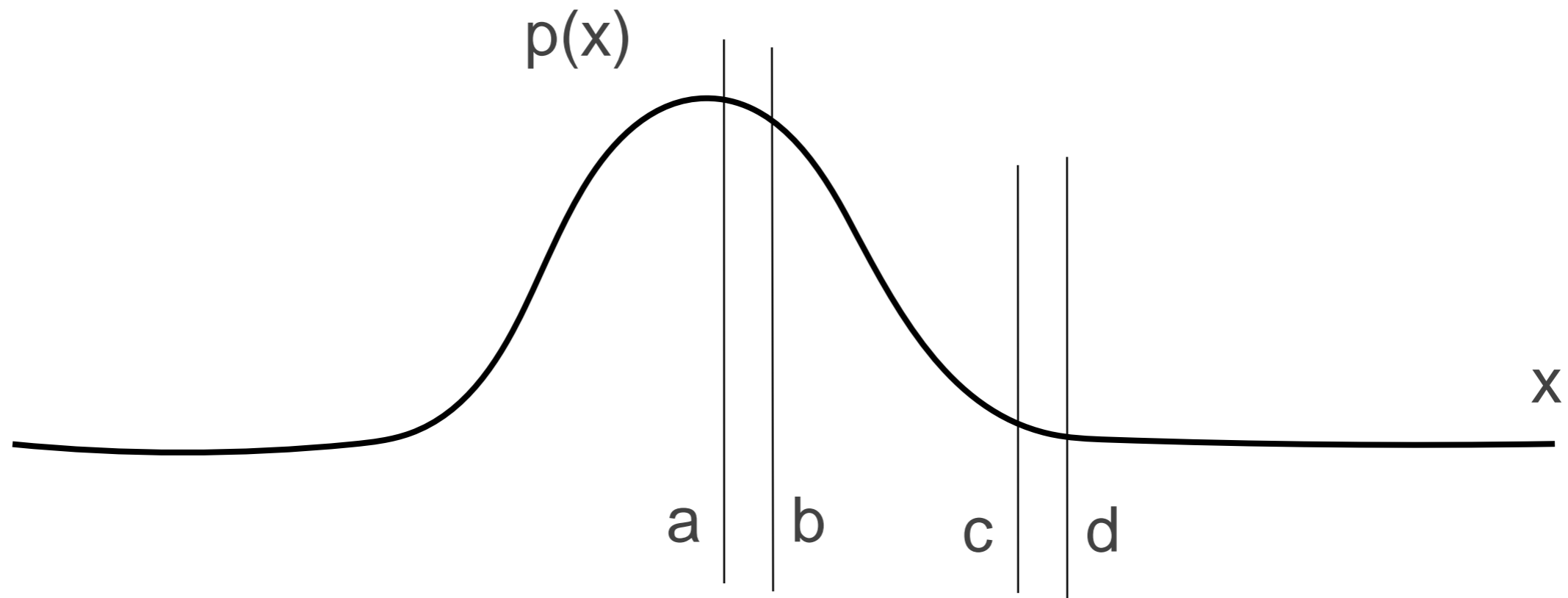
DFT No Dirac δ

~~A~~ $S_x(f) = \frac{2}{T} X(f) X^*(f)$ ~~FT (?)~~

DFT $S_x = \frac{2}{T} \dots (p. 97)$ No Problem

Power, Spectra and Probability

Probability Density Distribution



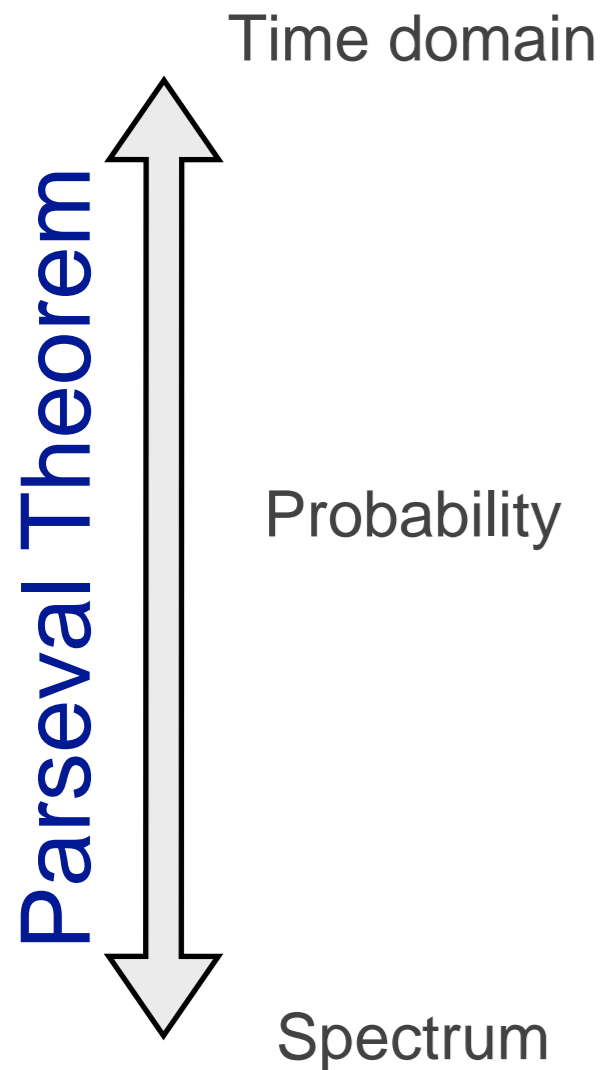
$$P_{ab} = \int_a^b p(x) dx$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dx = 1$$

$$P_{ab \text{ or } cd} = P_{ab} + P_{cd}$$

iff ab and cd are separated

Variance (signal power)



$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T |x(t)|^2 dt$$

$$\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p(x) dx$$

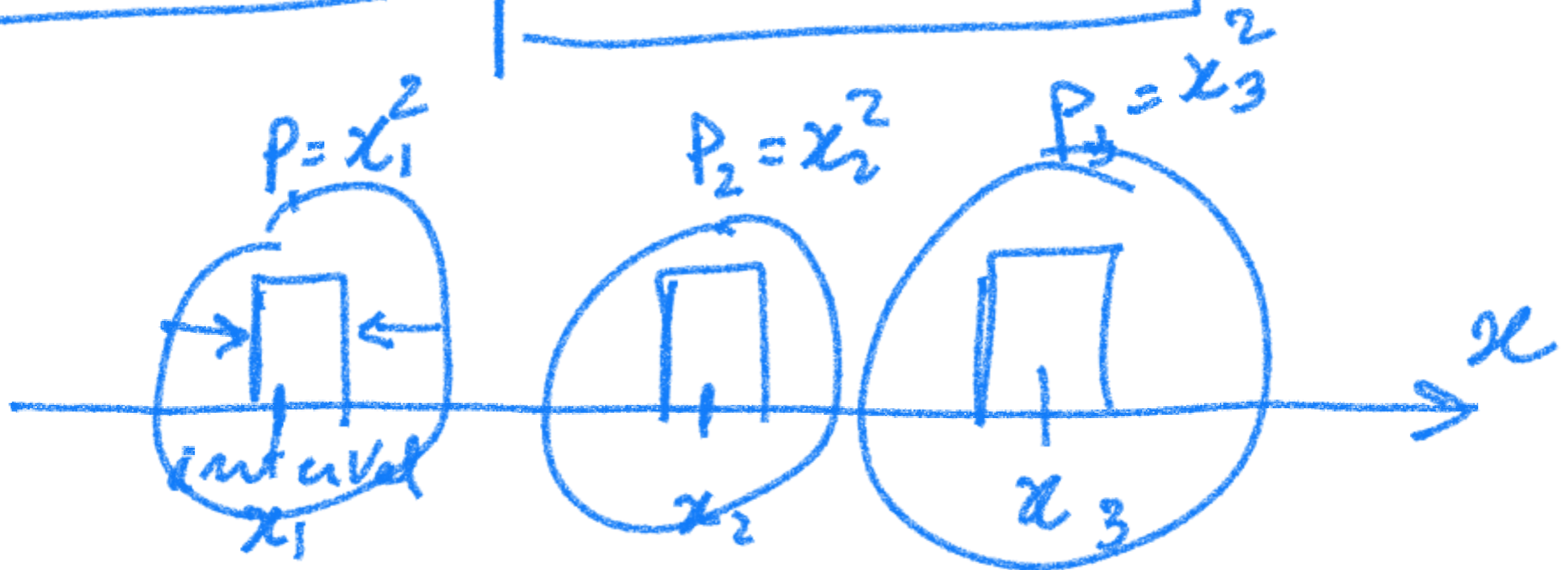
$$\sigma^2 = \int_0^{\infty} S(f) df$$

Wiener
Khinchin
Theorem

Why the Variance is Power

P P P

$$\sigma^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p(x) dx$$

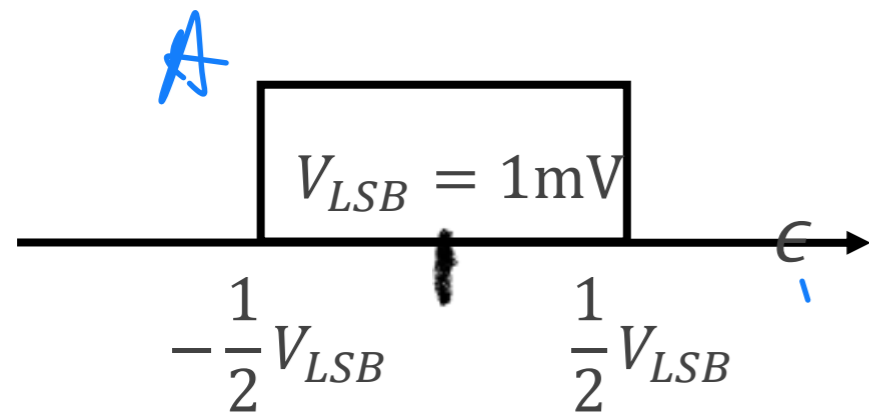


$$P(x \in x_1) = p(x_1) \rightarrow P_1$$

$$P(x \in x_2) = p(x_2) \rightarrow P_2$$

$$\rightarrow P_3$$

Example



Calculate

$$P\{320\mu\text{V} < \epsilon < 325\mu\text{V}\}$$

$$P = \int_a^b p(x) dx$$

$\xrightarrow{325\mu\text{V}}$
 $\xleftarrow{320\mu\text{V}}$

$$= 0.005$$

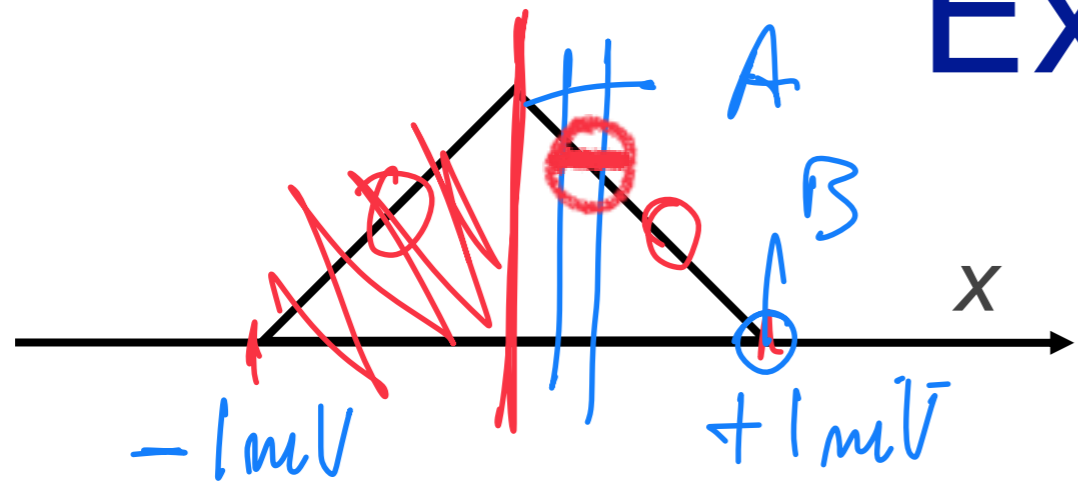
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dx = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{-500\mu\text{V}}^{500\mu\text{V}} A = 1$$

$$A \times 1\text{mV} = 1$$

$$A = \frac{1000}{\text{V}}$$

Example



Calculate

$$P\{320\mu V < x < 325\mu V\}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} AB = \frac{1}{2} \quad AB = 1 \quad A = \frac{1}{1mV} \quad A = \frac{1000}{V}$$

$$y = A + Cx$$

$$A + CB = 0$$

$$y = 0 \leftarrow x = B$$

$$CB = -A \quad C = \frac{-A}{B}$$

$$C = -\frac{1}{1mV} \cdot \frac{1}{1mV} = -\frac{10^6}{V}$$

Gaussian (Normal) Distribution

x is normal distributed with zero mean μ and variance σ^2

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

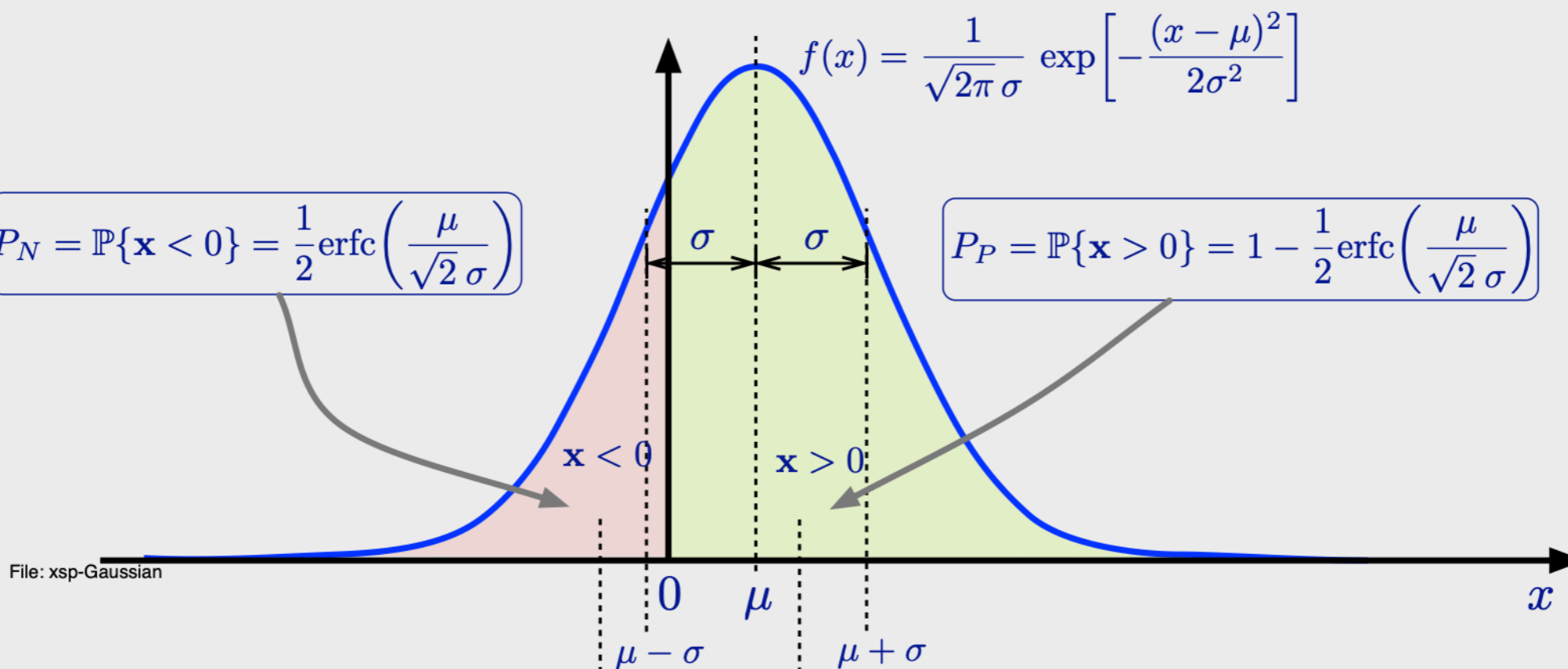
$$\mathbb{E}\{f(x)\} = \mu$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{f^2(x)\} = \mu^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}\{|f(x) - \mathbb{E}\{f(x)\}|^2\} = \sigma^2$$

$$P_N = \mathbb{P}\{x < 0\} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)$$

$$P_P = \mathbb{P}\{x > 0\} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)$$

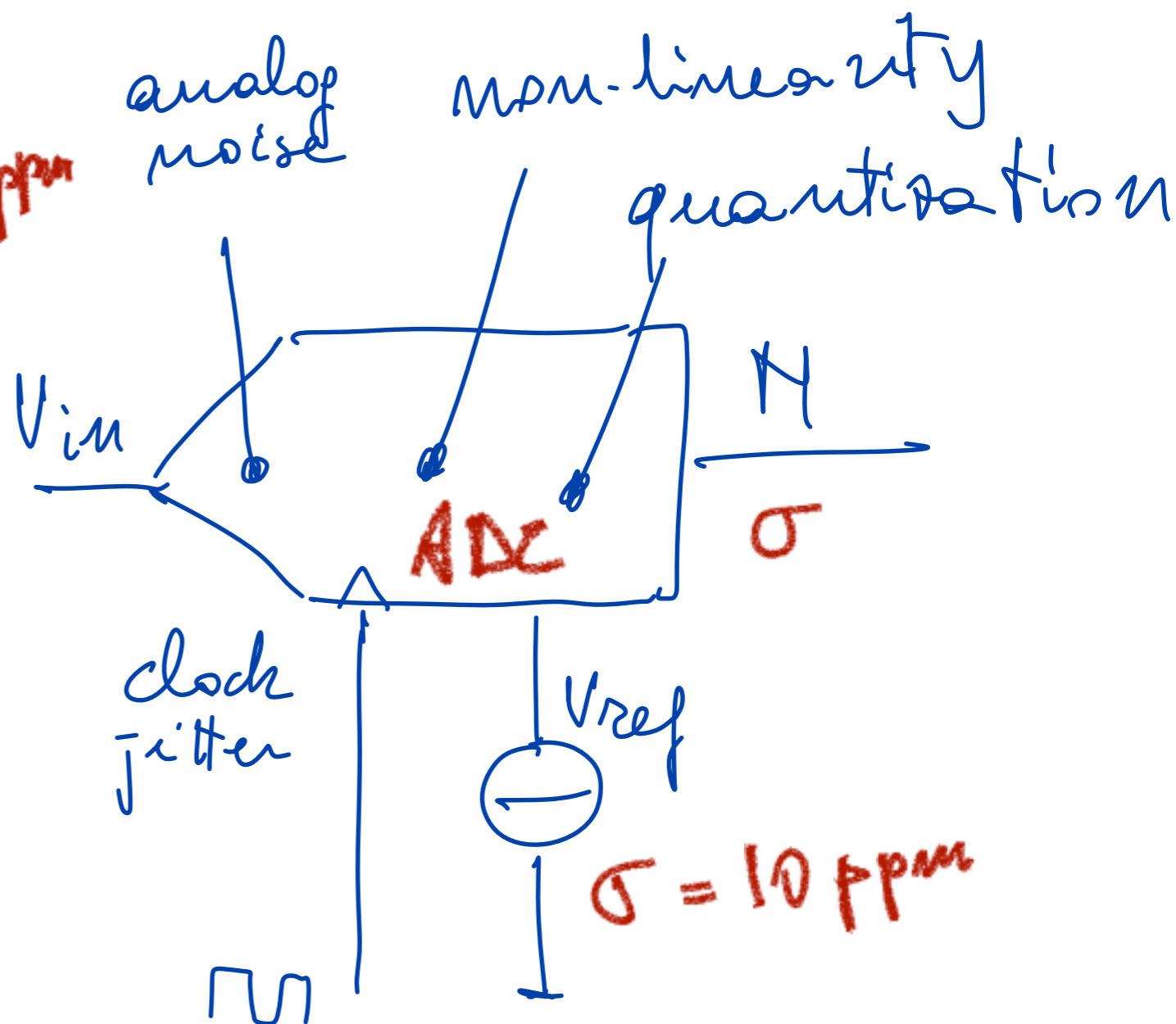
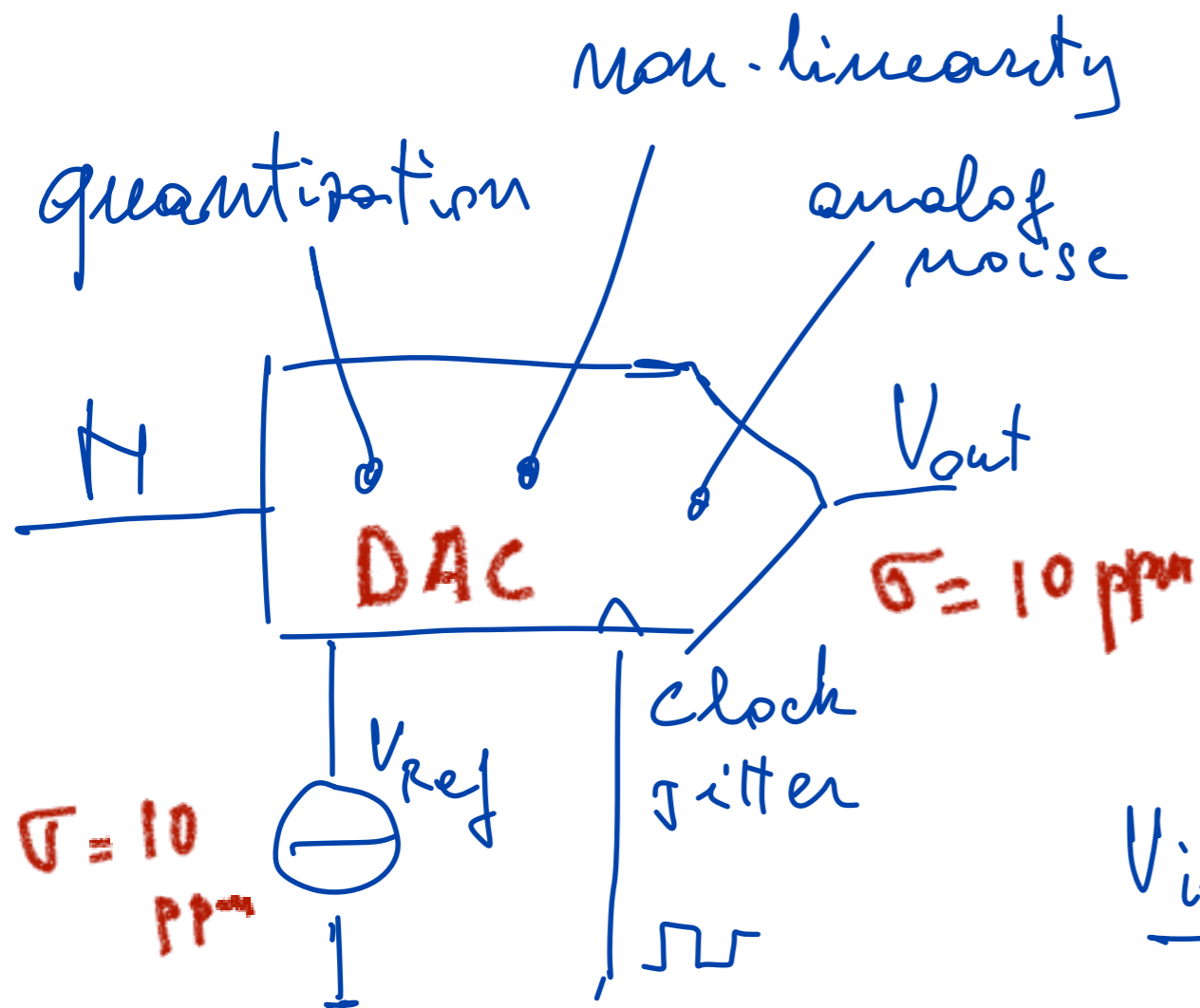


$$\mu_N = \mu - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right) \sqrt{2\pi \exp(\mu^2/\sigma^2)}} \sigma$$

$$\mu_P = \mu + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right) \sqrt{2\pi \exp(\mu^2/\sigma^2)}} \sigma$$

Noise

Accuracy and Noise — The Big Picture ¹¹¹



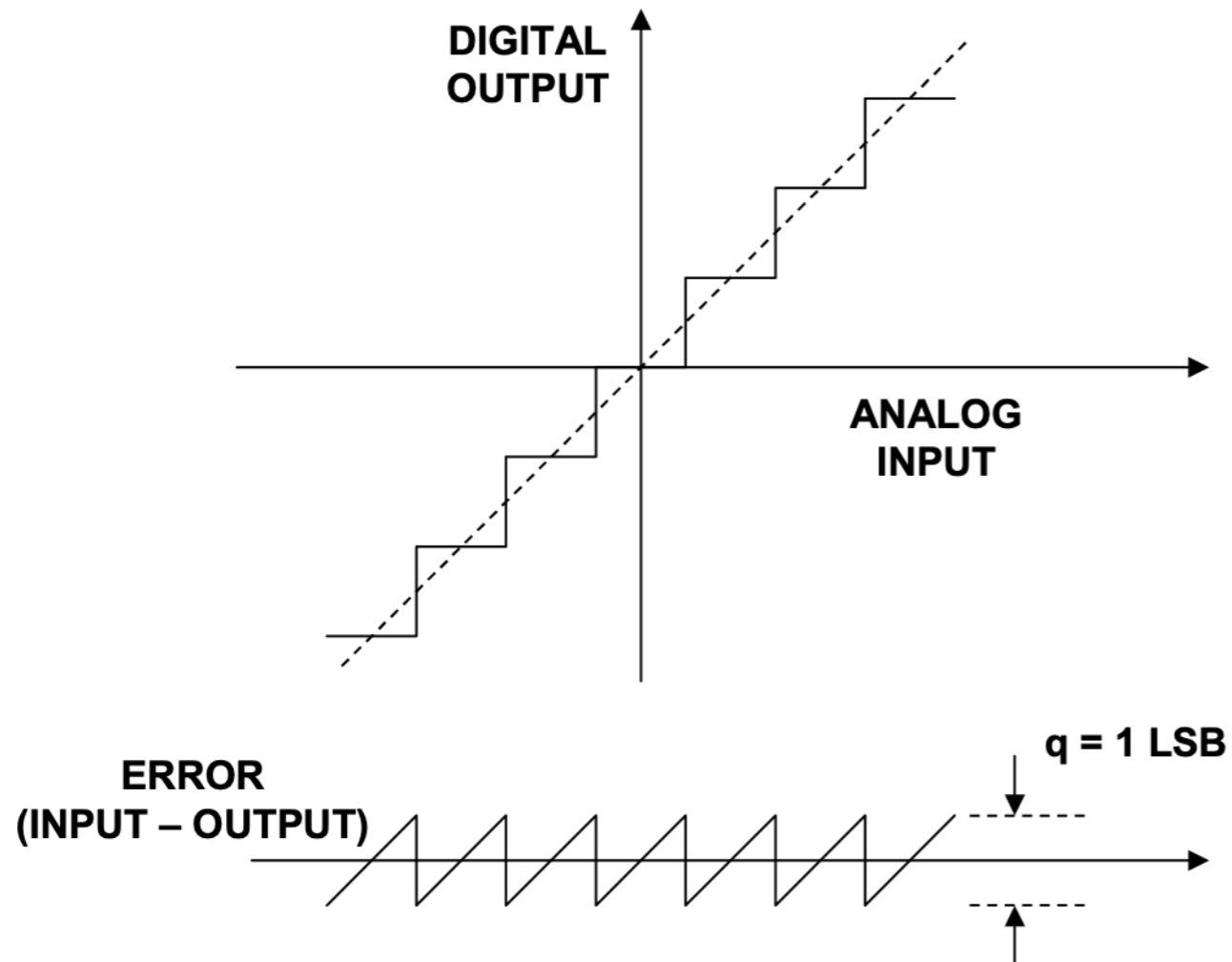
Remember:
clock jitter affects
only timing

End of Lecture #5

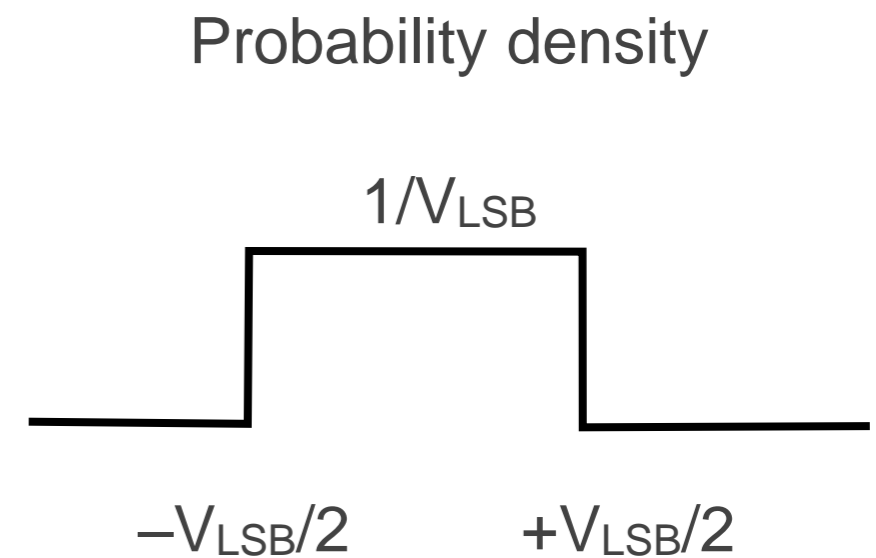
#6 Tuesday, Sept 26, 2019

1.5 Hours

Quantization



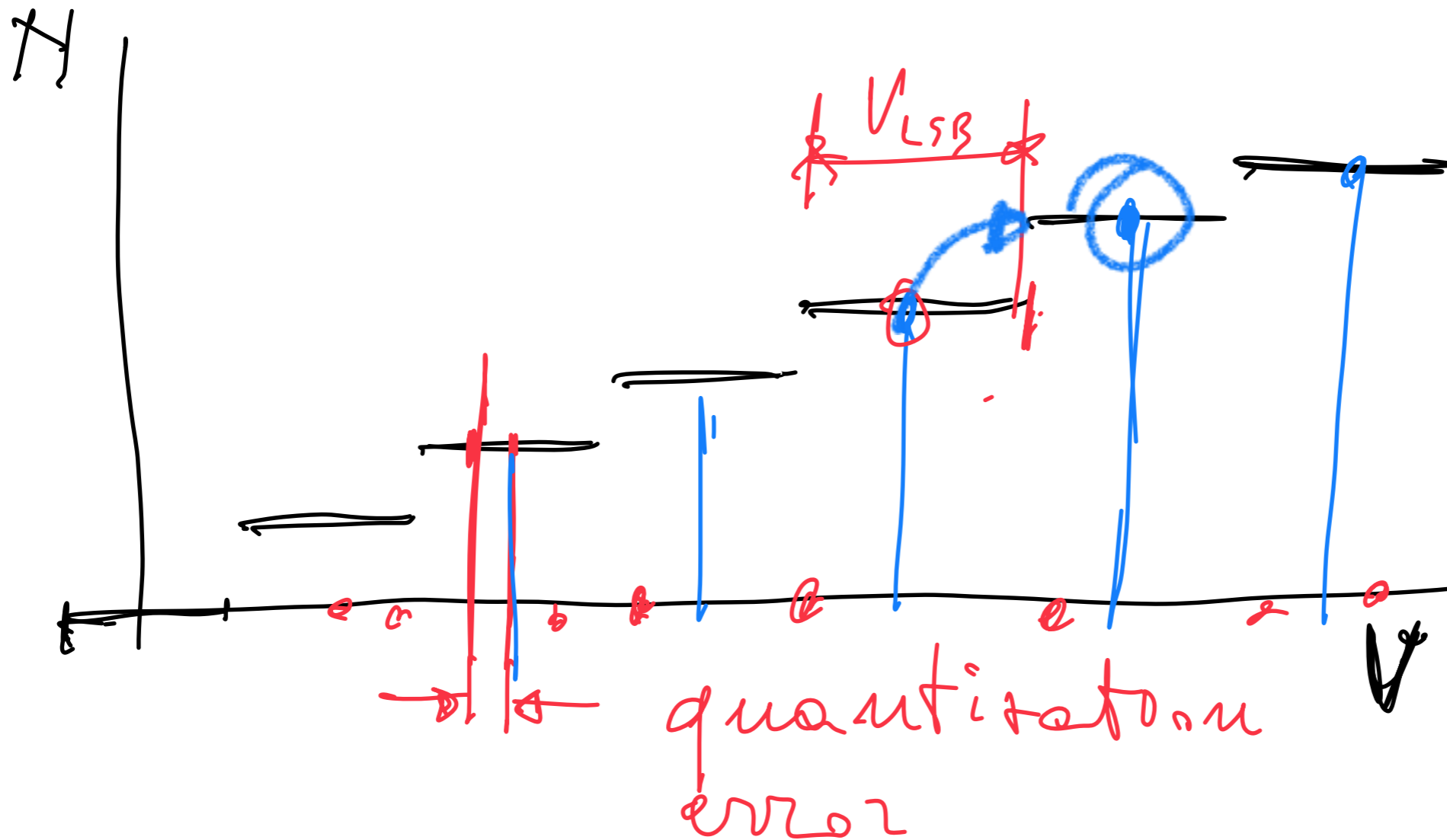
W. Kester, Fig 2.37



$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{12} V_{\text{LSB}}^2$$

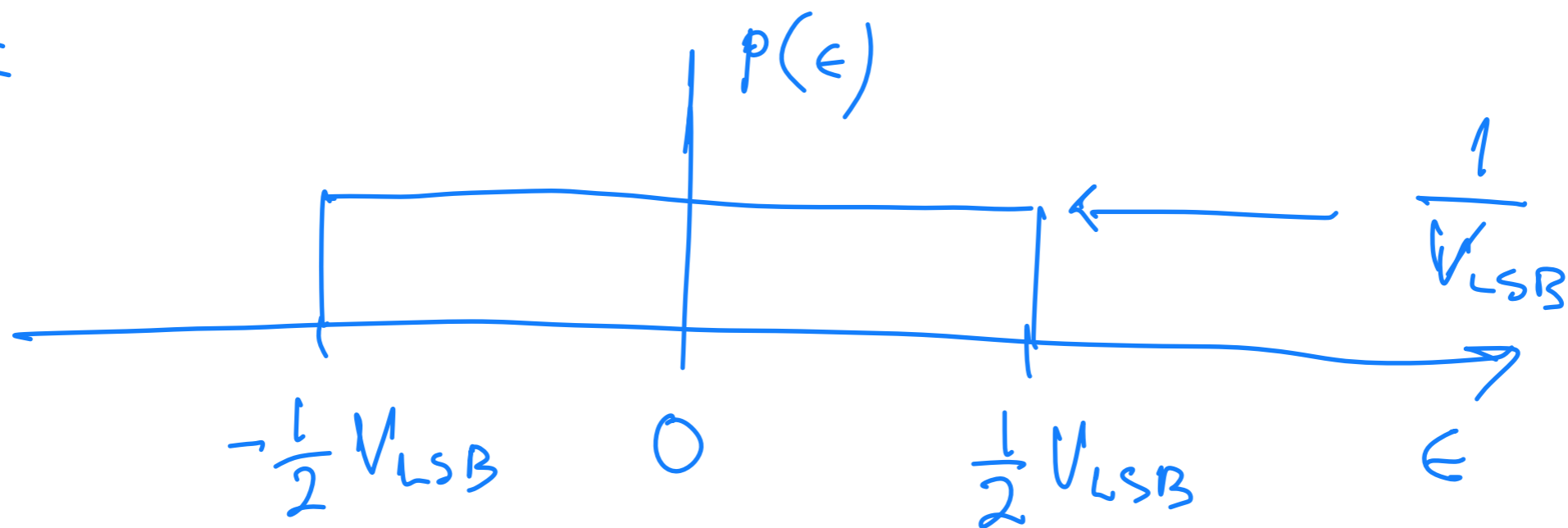
Quantization Noise, PDF

ADC



$$-\frac{1}{2} V_{LSB} < \epsilon < \frac{1}{2} V_{LSB}$$

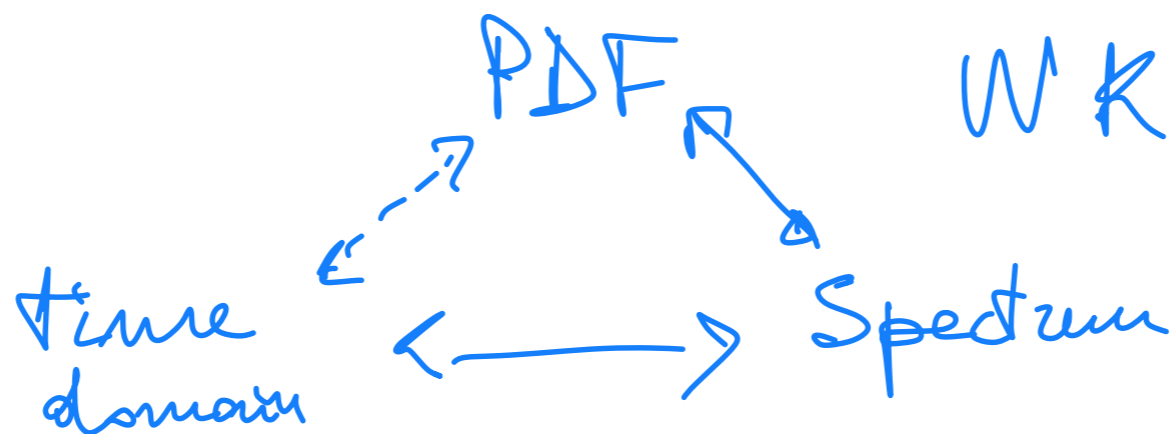
PDF



Remember

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dx = 1$$

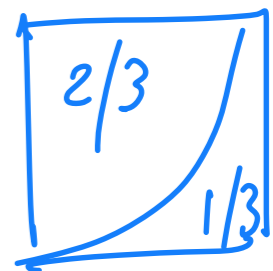
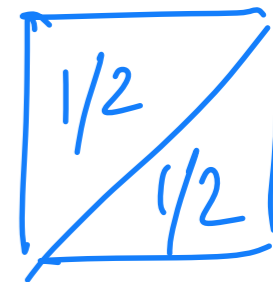
Power

 σ^2 

Quantization Noise \longleftrightarrow Power

$$P = \sigma_q^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p(x) dx$$

↑
quantization



$$\sigma_q^2 = \int_{-V_{LSB}/2}^{+V_{LSB}/2} 2x \cdot x^2 \frac{1}{V_{LSB}} dx$$

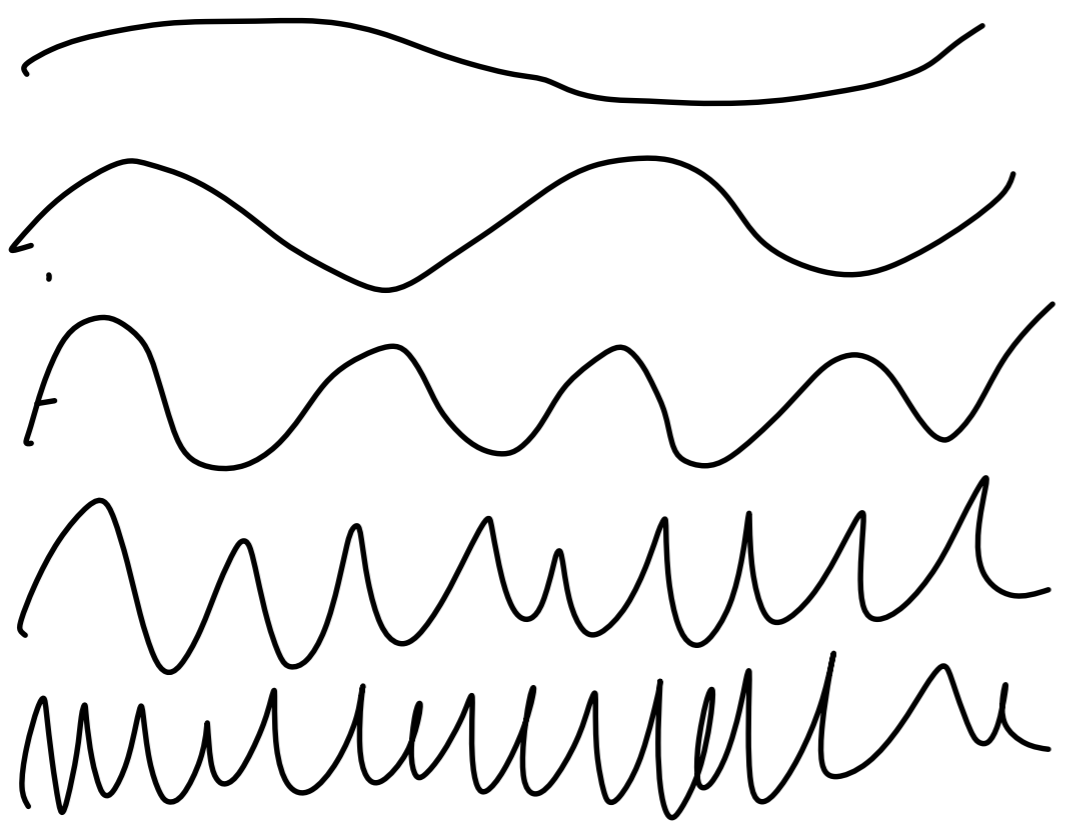
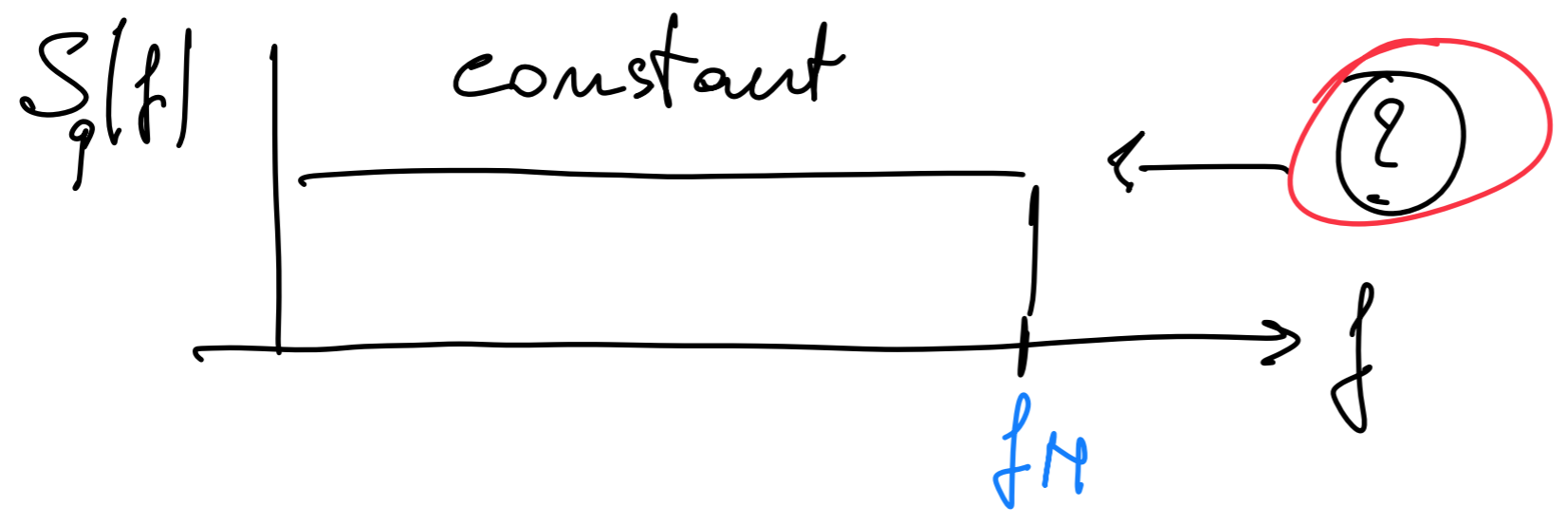
$$\frac{2}{V_{LSB}} \cdot \frac{1}{3} x^3 \Big|_{-V_{LSB}/2}^{+V_{LSB}/2}$$

$$\sigma_q^2 = \frac{1}{12} V_{LSB}^2$$

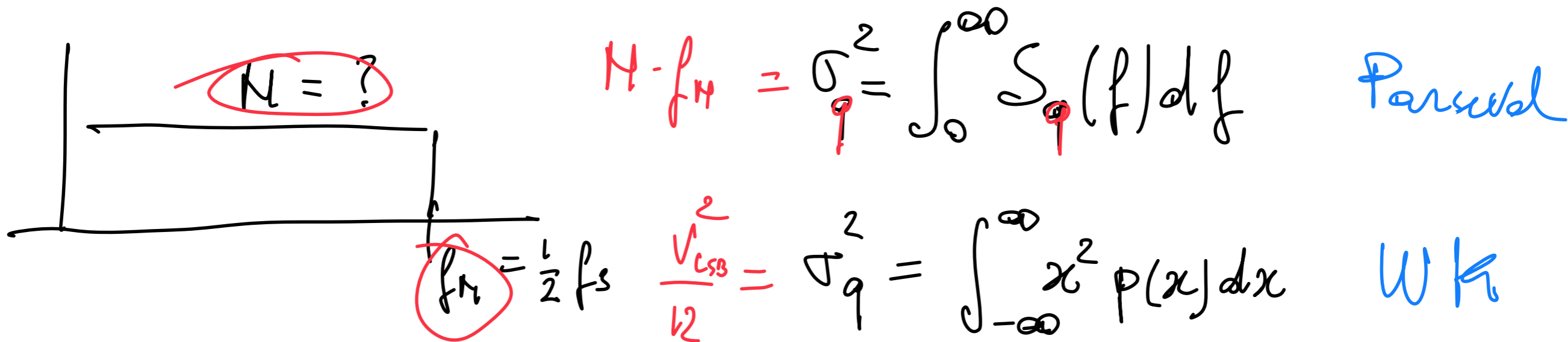
$$V_{LSB} = \frac{V_{FSR}}{2^M}$$

$$\sigma_q^2 = \frac{1}{12} \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{2^{2M}}$$

Quantization Noise, Spectrum



$$f_N = \frac{1}{2} f_s$$



$$N f_N = \frac{V_{LSB}^2}{12}$$

$$N = \frac{V_{LSB}^2}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{f_N} = \frac{V_{LSB}^2}{12} \cdot \frac{2}{f_s}$$

$$V_{LSB} = \frac{V_{FSR}}{2^M}$$

$M = \text{no of bits}$

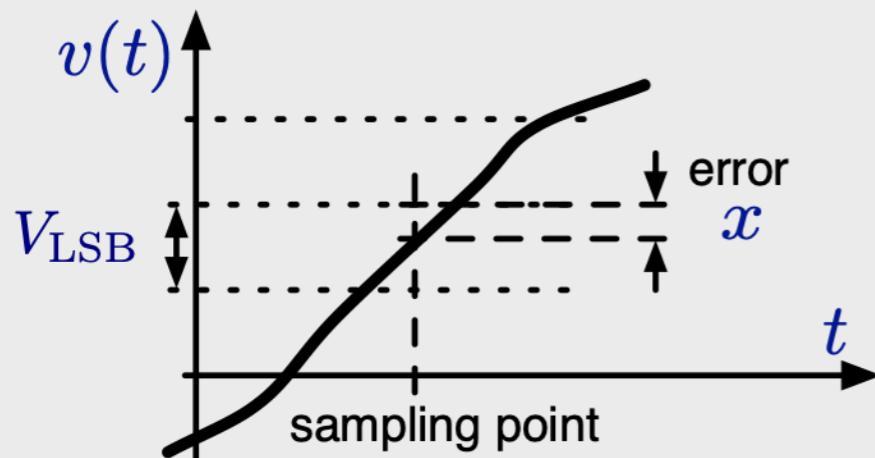
$$N = \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{2^{2M}} \cdot \frac{2}{f_s}$$

White Noise

$$N = \frac{1}{6 f_s} \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{2^{2M}}$$

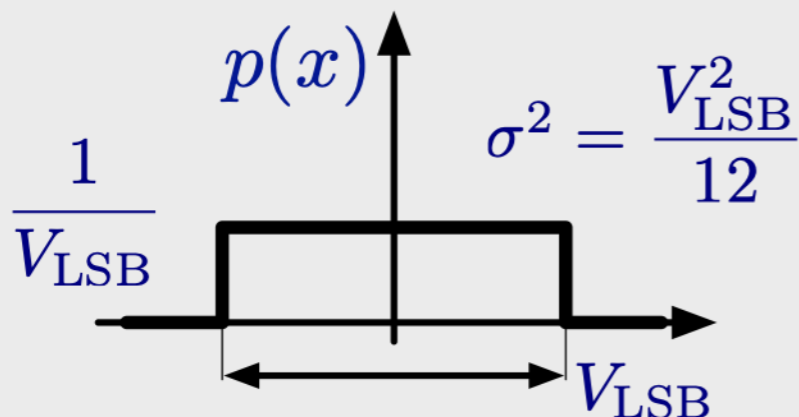
Quantization Noise

W. R. Bennett, Spectra of quantized signals, Bell System Tech J. 27(4), July 1948



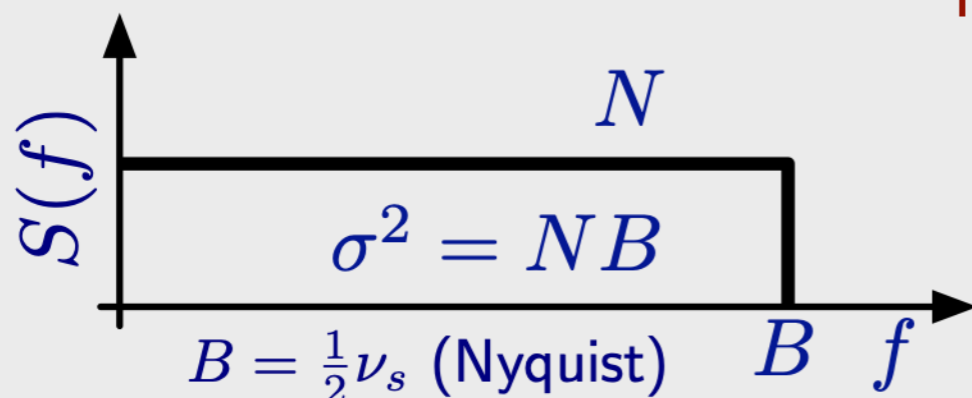
Analog-to-digital conversion introduces a **quantization error** x $[-V_{\text{LSB}}/2 \leq x \leq +V_{\text{LSB}}/2]$

$$n\text{-bit conversion: } V_{\text{LSB}} = \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}}{2^n}$$



Wiener-Khintchine theorem: in ergodic systems, interchange time & ensemble
The noise can be calculated with statistics

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}^2}{12 \times 2^{2n}} \quad V^2 \quad \begin{array}{l} 1/12 \rightarrow -10.8 \text{ dB} \\ 2^{2n} \rightarrow 6 \text{ dB/bit} \end{array}$$



Parseval theorem: Energy (power) calculated in time and in frequency is the same

$$N = \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}^2}{6 \times 2^{2n} \nu_s} \quad V^2 / \text{Hz}$$

The Formula $SNR = 6.02 n + 1.76 \text{ dB}$

~~Signal to Noise Ratio~~

~~SNR~~

Signal to Quantization

Ratio

SQR

$$\sigma_q^2 = \frac{1}{12} \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{2^{2M}}$$

$$V(t) = \frac{V_{FSR}}{2} \cos(\omega t)$$

$$P(t) = \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{4R} \cos^2(\omega t)$$

$$SQR = \frac{V_{FSR}^2 / 8}{\frac{1}{12} \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{2^{2M}}}$$

expand

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{8}$$

$$SQR = \frac{3}{2} 2^{2M}$$

$$10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) =$$

$$10 \log_{10} (2^{2M}) =$$



The Formula $\text{SNR} = 6.02n + 1.76 \text{ dB}$ ¹²²

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{P}{\sigma^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow P = V_{\text{pp}}^2/8R \\ \leftarrow \sigma^2 = V_{\text{LSB}}^2/12R \end{array}$$

Better called SQR
Signal to Quantization Ratio

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{V_{\text{pp}}^2}{V_{\text{LSB}}^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow V_{\text{pp}} \leq V_{\text{FSR}} \\ \leftarrow V_{\text{LSB}} = V_{\text{FSR}}/2^n \end{array}$$

Simplified

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{3}{2} 2^{2n} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow 10\log_{10}(3/2) = 1.76 \\ \leftarrow 10\log_{10}(2^{2n}) = 6.02n \end{array}$$

$$6.02n + 1.76 \text{ dB}$$

Full formula

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{3}{2} 2^{2n} \frac{V_{\text{pp}}^2}{V_{\text{FSR}}^2}$$

$$6.02n + 1.76 + 20\log_{10} \frac{V_{\text{pp}}}{V_{\text{FSR}}} \text{ dB}$$

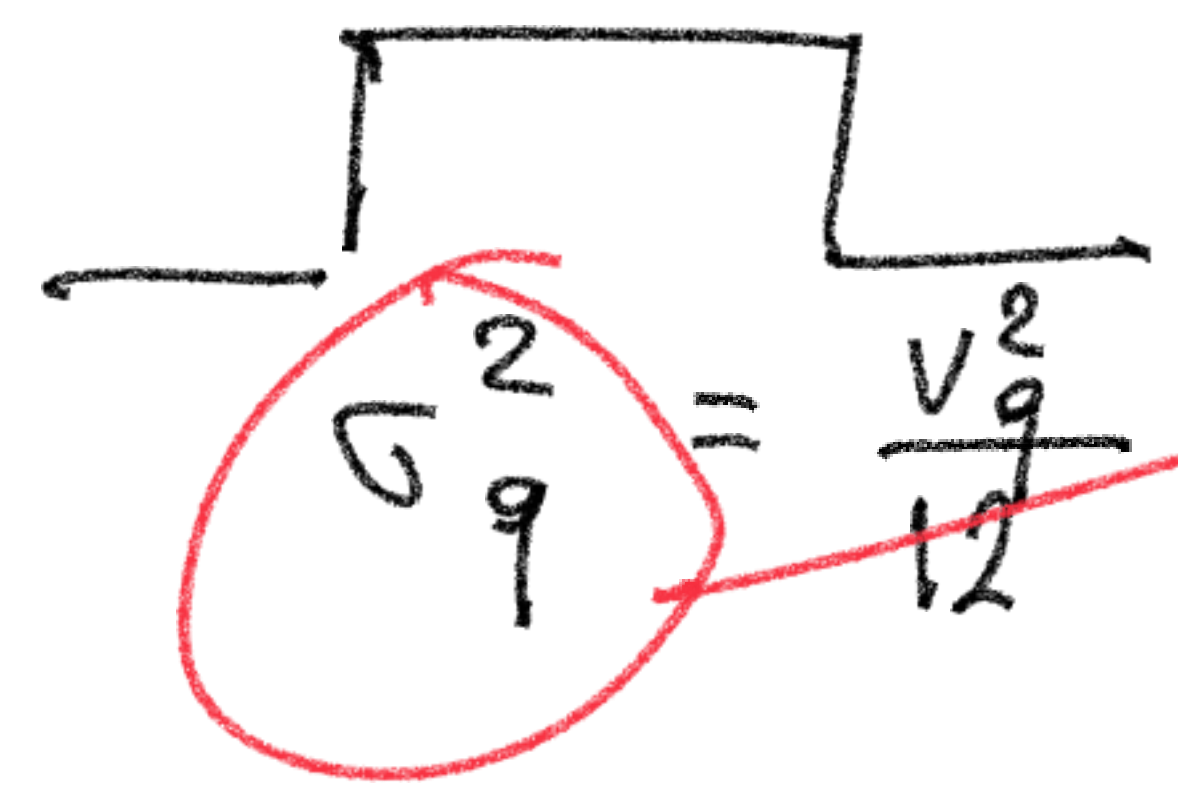
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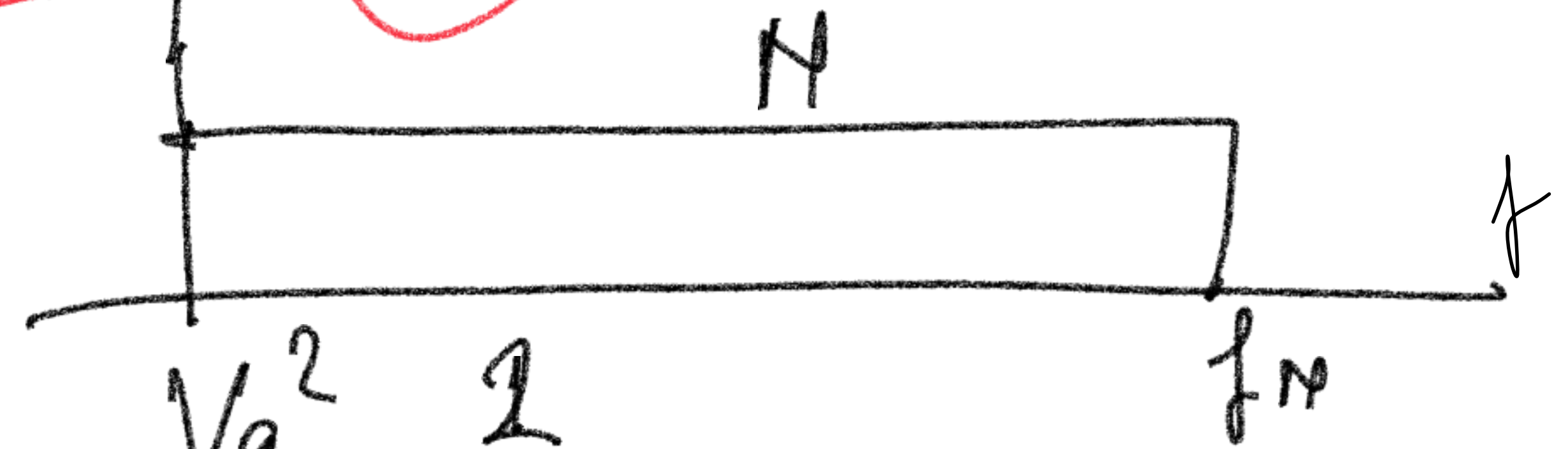
1.5 Hours

How To Get Lower f_s (Wrong)



$S_q(f)$

$\sigma_q^2 = \int S_q(f) df$



$N f_M = \frac{V_q^2}{12}$

$N = \frac{V_q^2}{12} \frac{1}{f_s}$

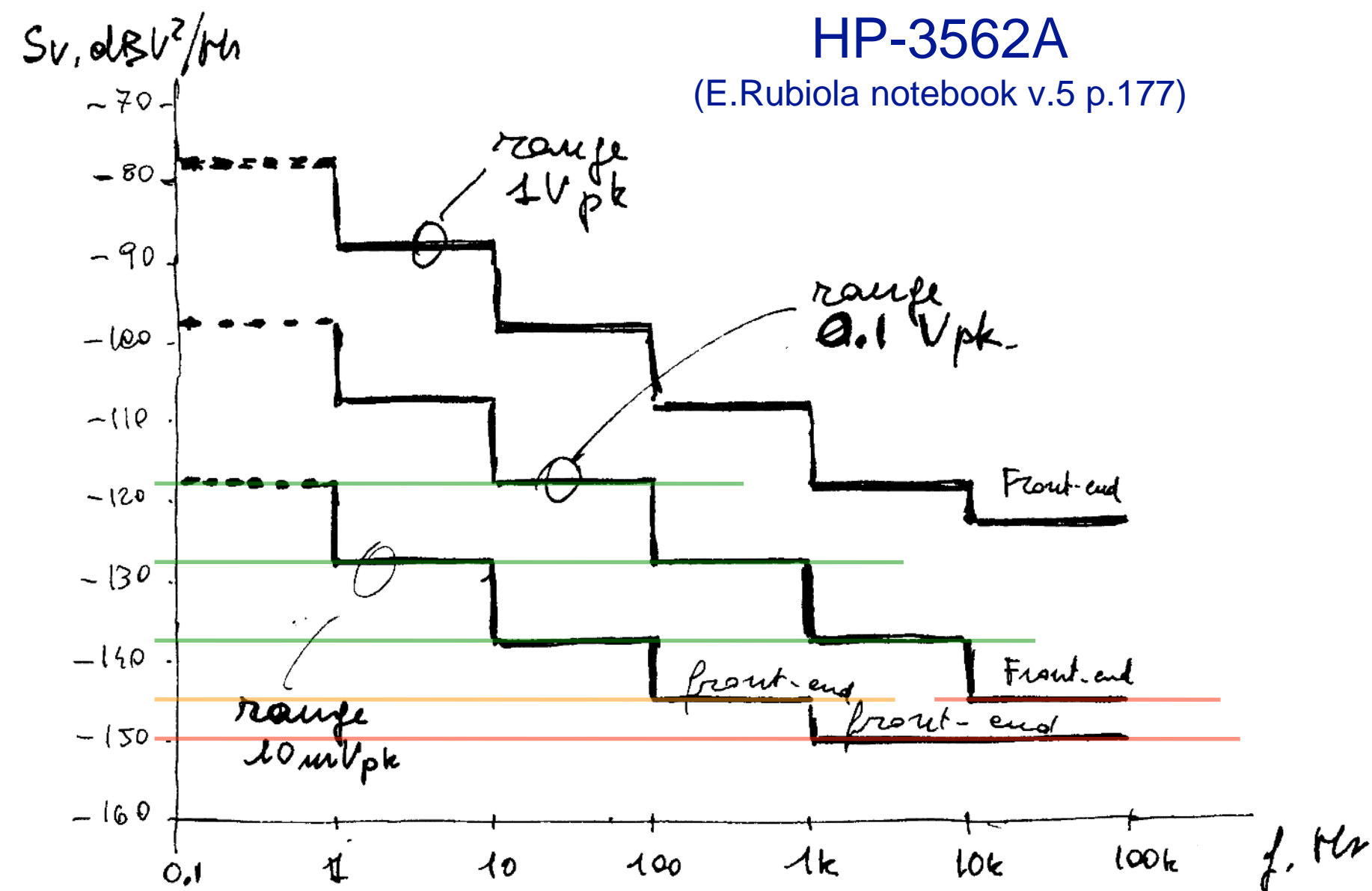
Sampling

FFT



Example of FFT Analyzer Noise

Experimental observation



Theoretical evaluation

DAC 12 bit resolution, including sign

range 10 mV_{peak}

$V_{fsr} = 20 \text{ mV}$ ($\pm 10 \text{ mV}$)

resolution

$$V_q = V_{fsr} / 2^{12} \\ = 4.88 \text{ } \mu\text{V}$$

total noise

$$\sigma^2 = (4.88 \text{ } \mu\text{V})^2 / 12 \\ = 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ V}^2 \text{ (-117 dB)}$$

quantization noise PSD

$$S_v = \sigma^2 / B \\ = -117 \text{ dBV}^2/\text{Hz} \text{ with } B = 1 \text{ Hz (etc.)}$$

Front-end noise, evaluated from the plot

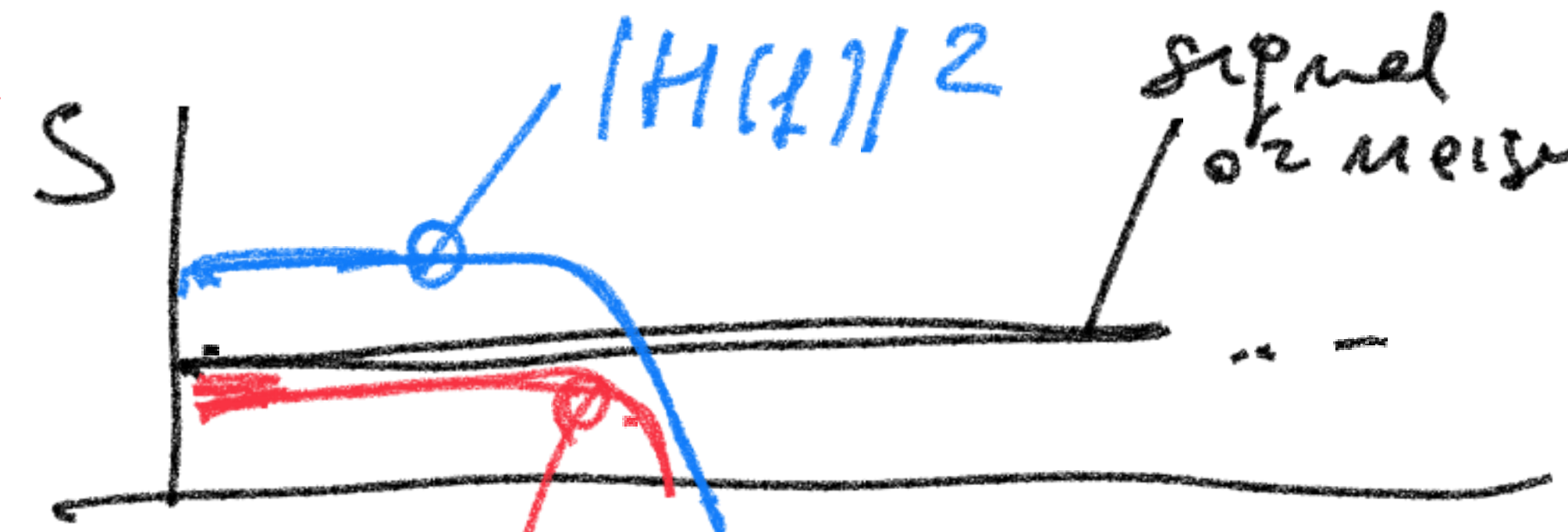
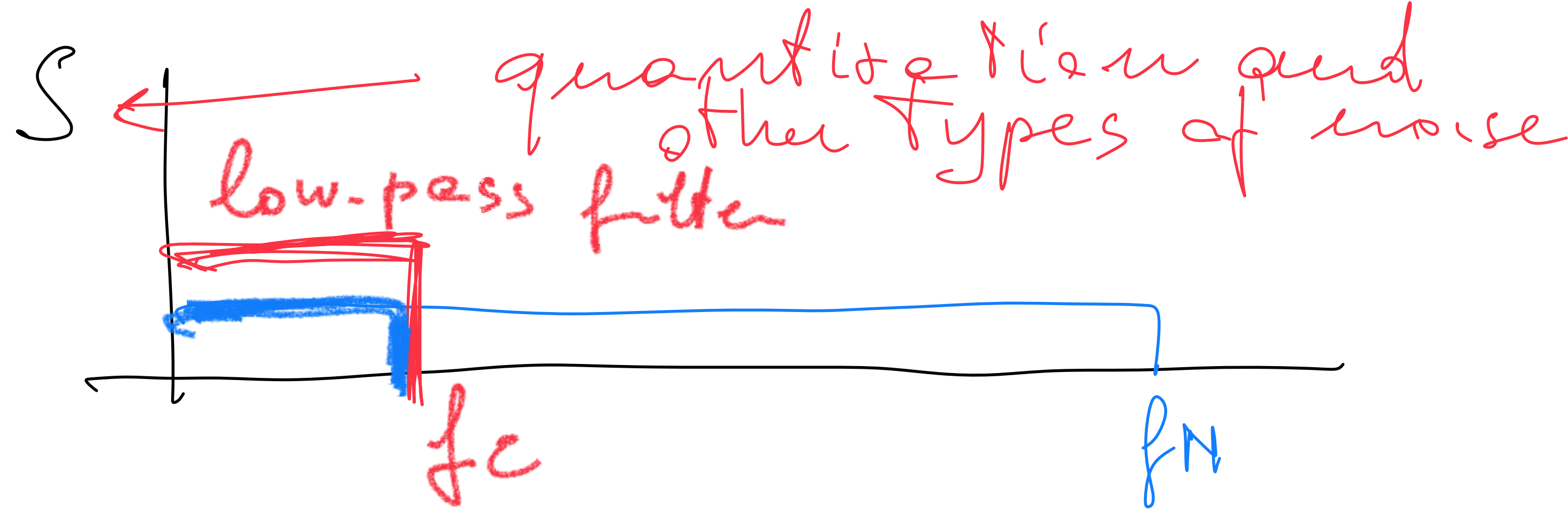
$$S_v = 2 \times 10^{-15} \text{ V}^2 \text{ (-150 dB), at 10-100 kHz} \\ \text{or } 45 \text{ nV}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}$$

use $S_v = 4kTR$

$R = 125 \text{ k}\Omega$

or $R = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$ and $F = 1 \text{ dB}$ (noise figure)

How To Get Lower f_s (Right) FILTER⁶



Frequency domain

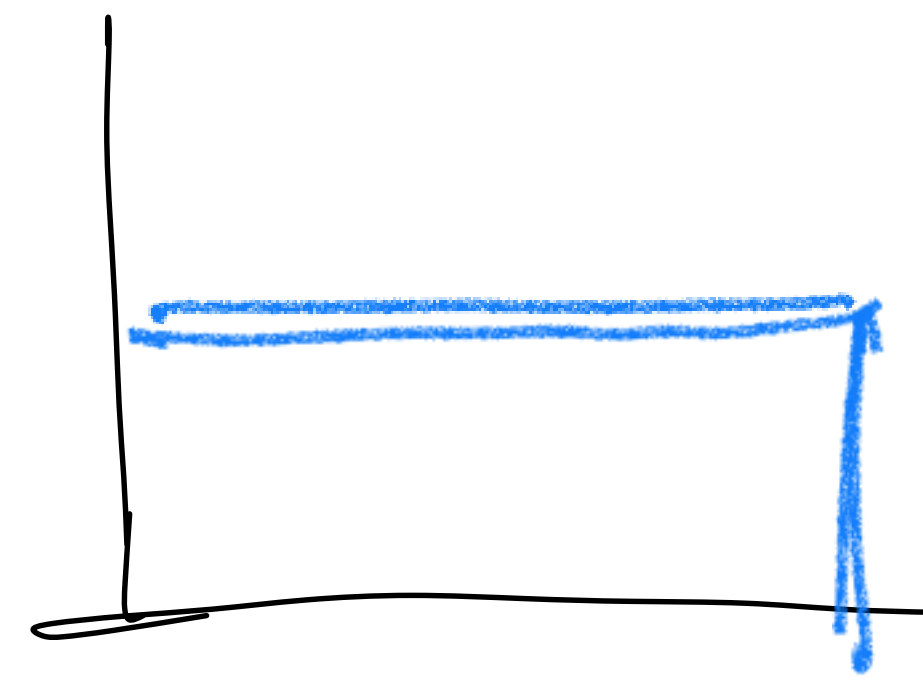
$$S_{out}(f) = |H(f)|^2 S_{in}(f)$$

Time domain

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t)$$

$|H(f)|$

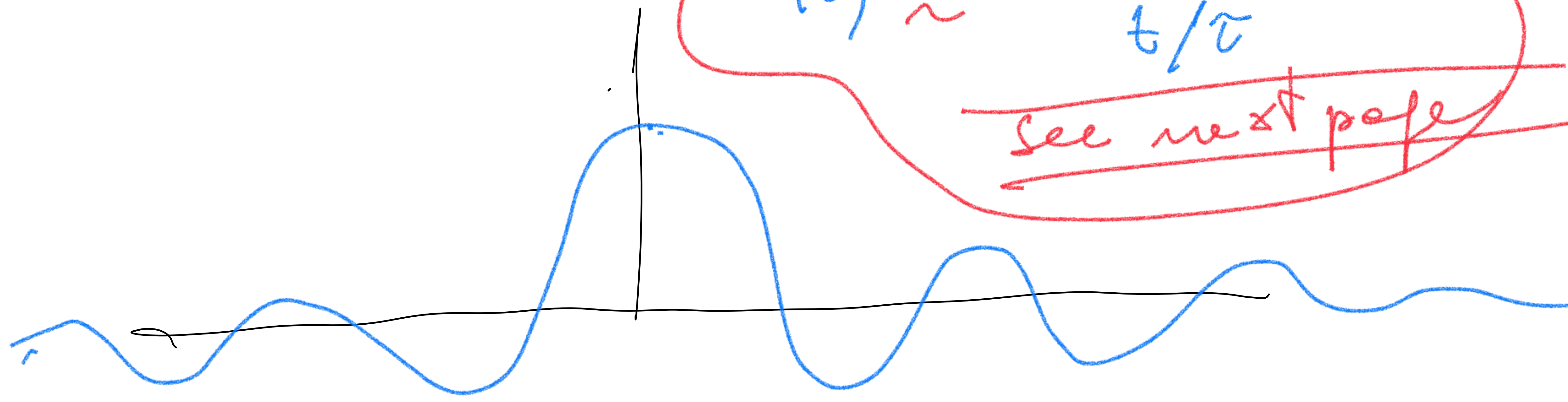
brick wall filter



check on the coefficient

$$h(t) \approx \frac{\sin(t/\tau)}{t/\tau}$$

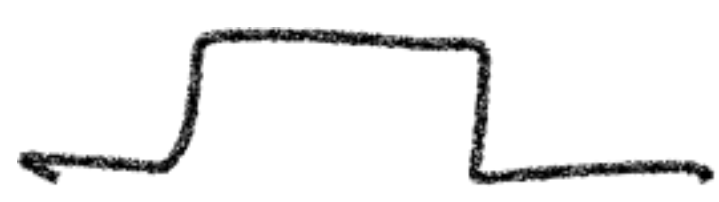
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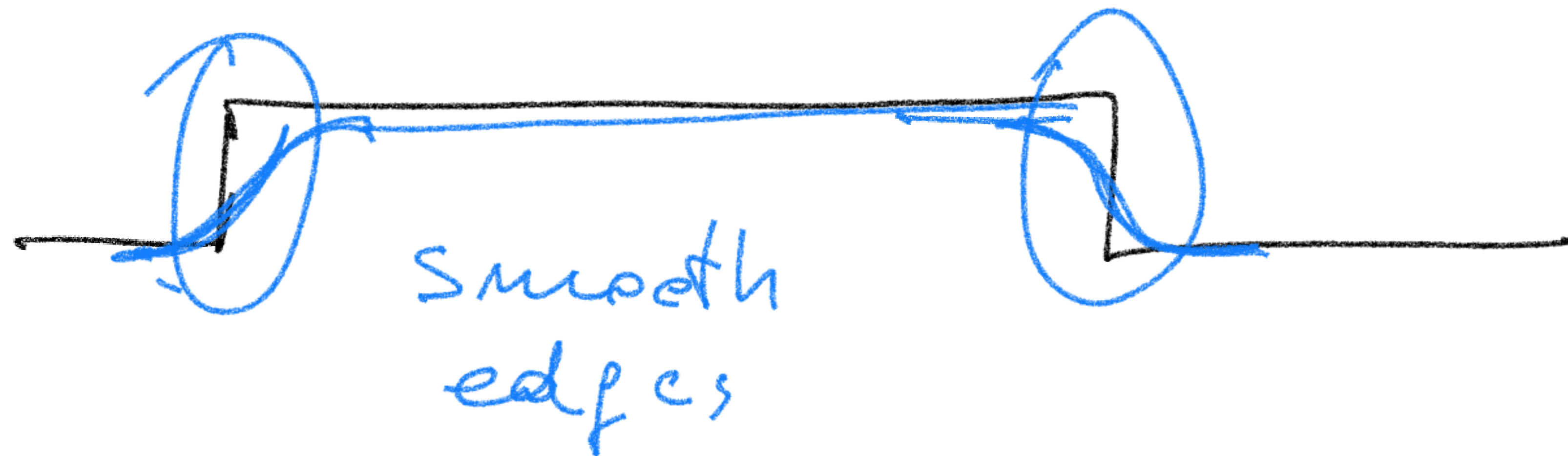


Convolution with appropriate $h(t)$

Digital $\int \dots \rightarrow \sum$

sinc \rightarrow truncated sinc

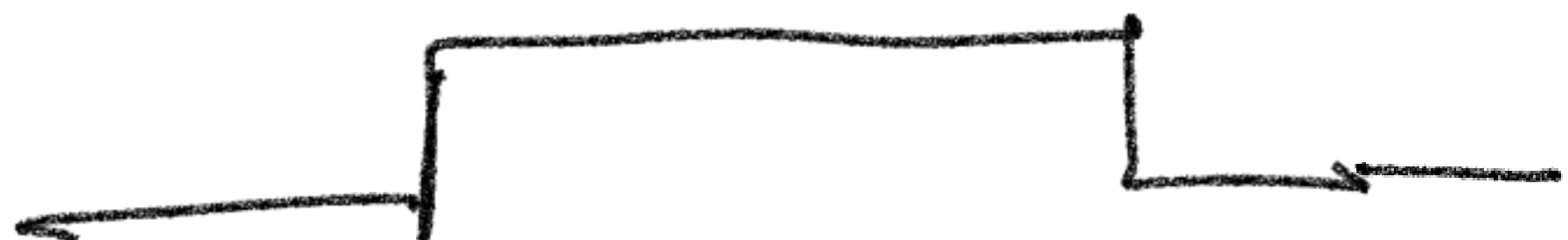
truncation \rightarrow multiply by 



time



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Spectra / freq



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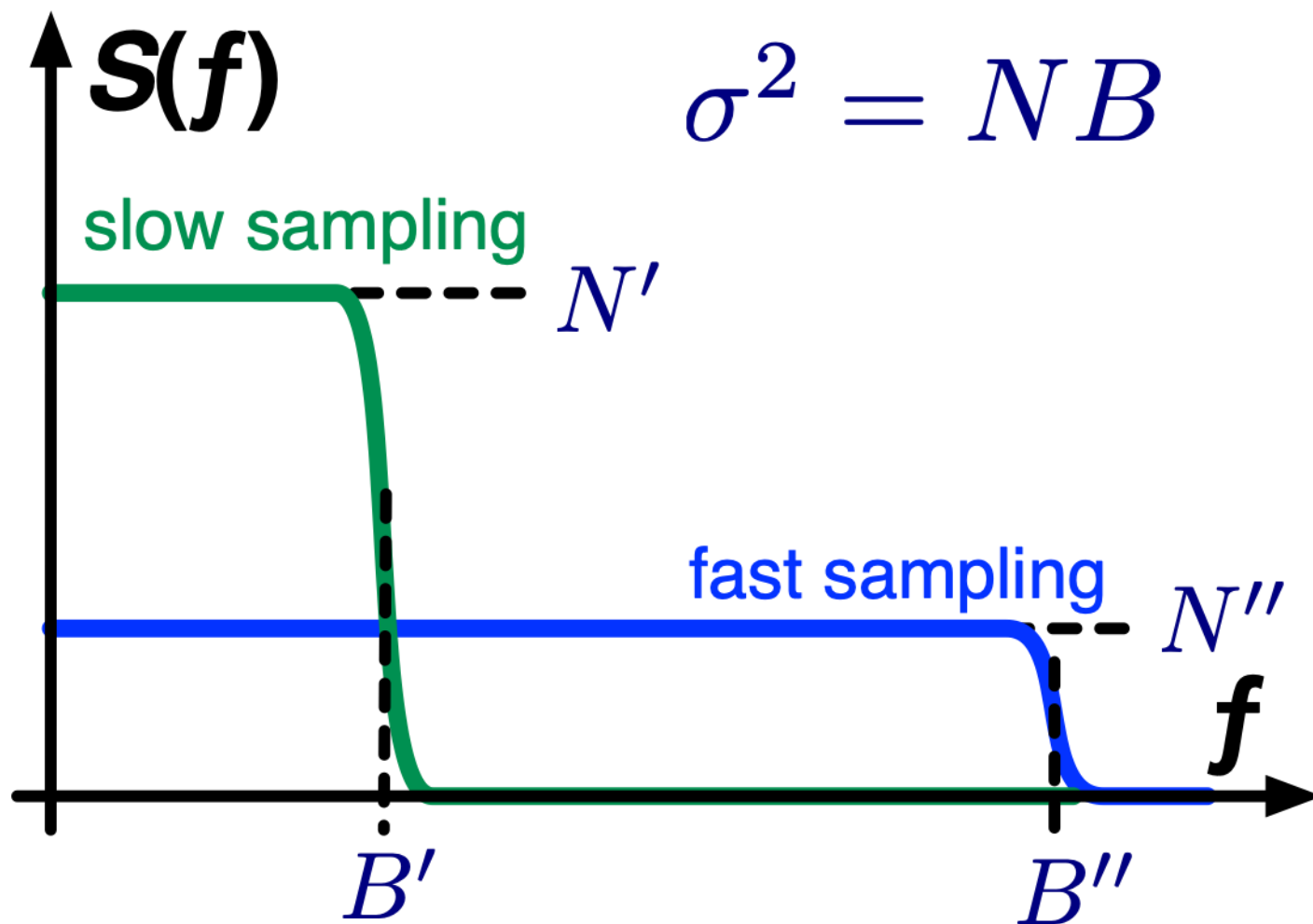
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aliasing

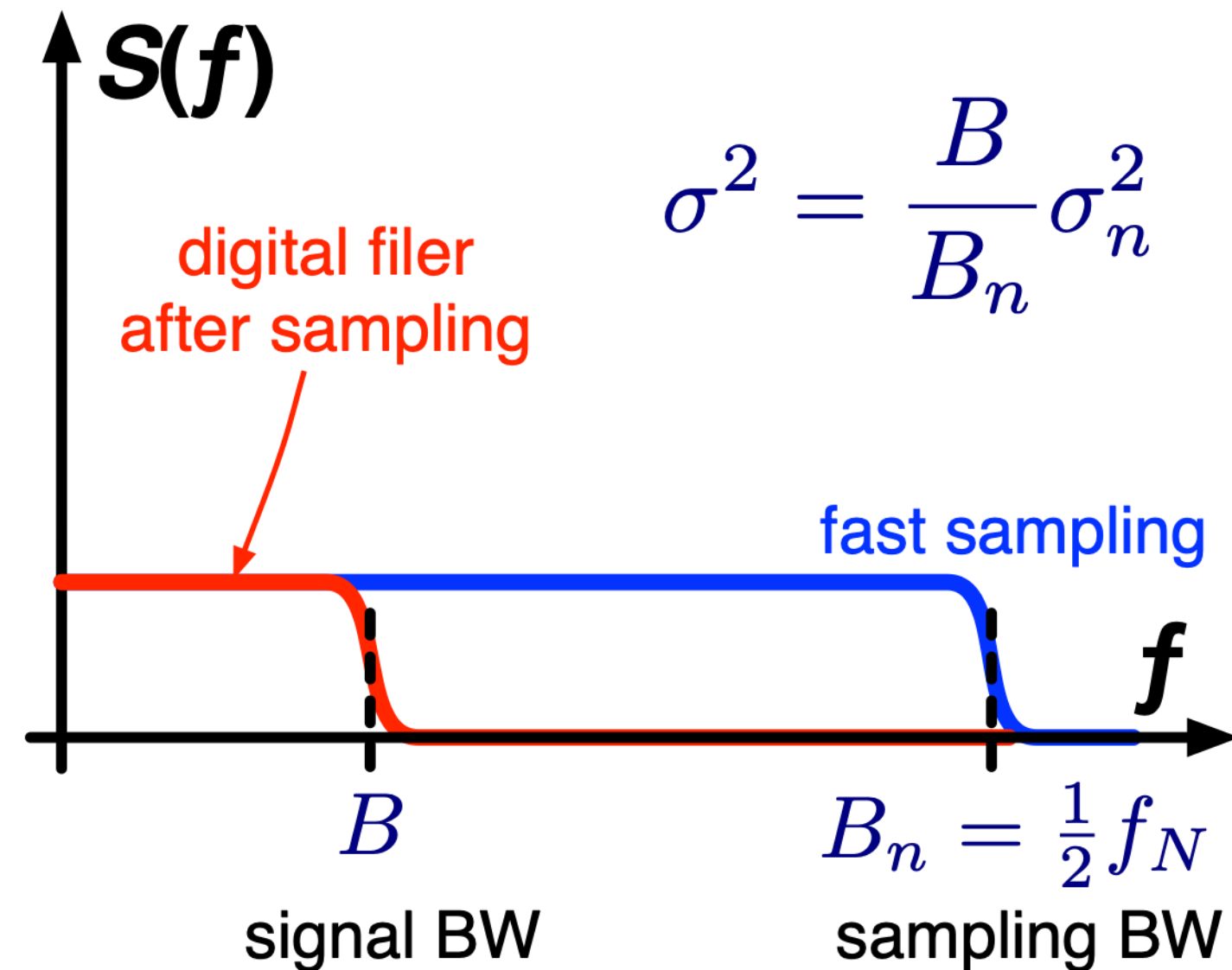
Smooth edges
 ⇒ smaller energy in the side lobes
 little aliasing

Digital Filter and Decimation

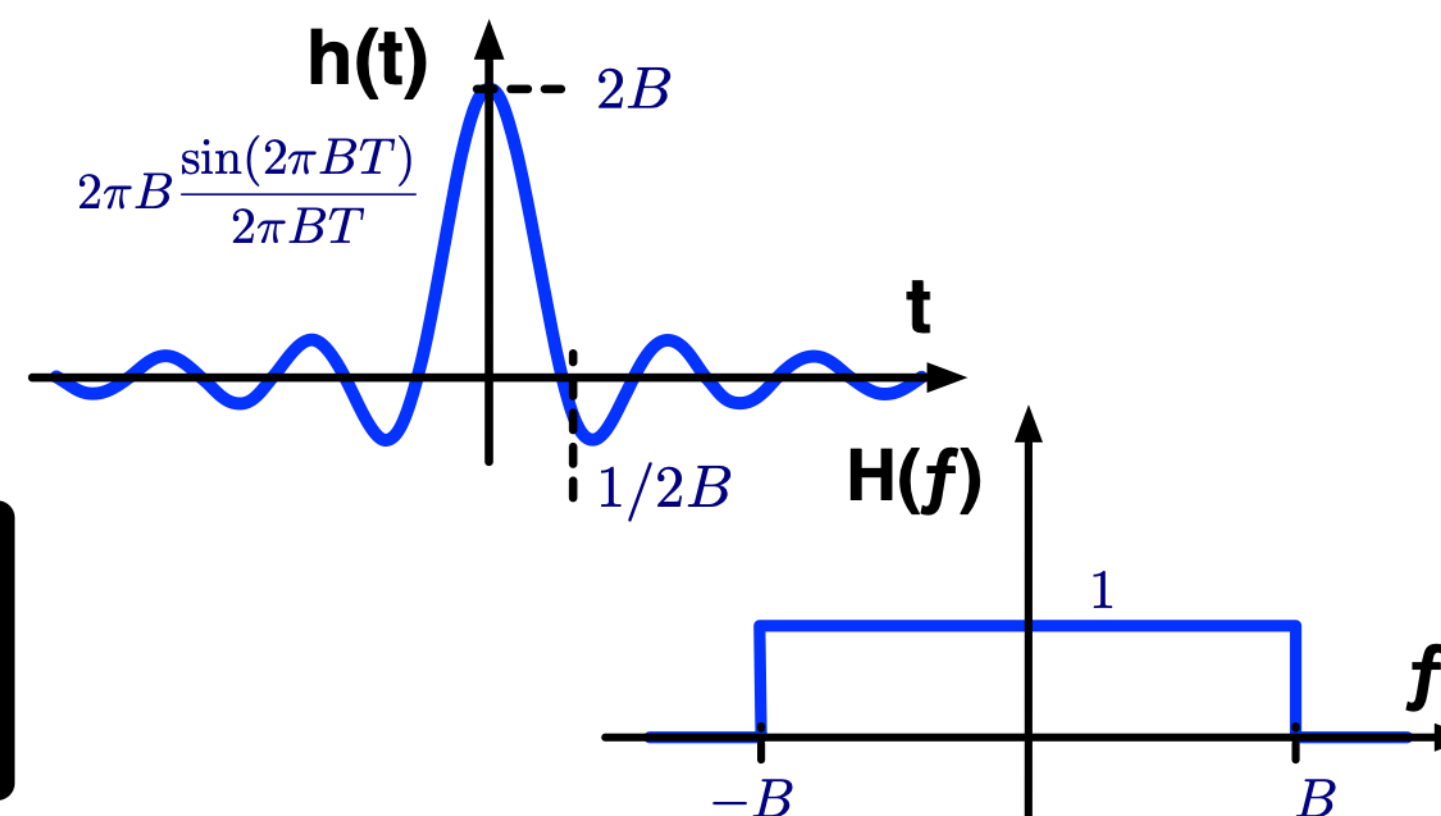
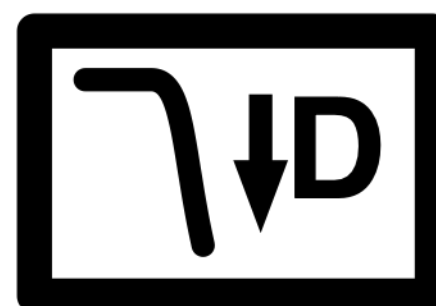
Noise, Sampling, and the Parseval theorem $\sigma^2 = \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{12 \times 2^{2m}}$



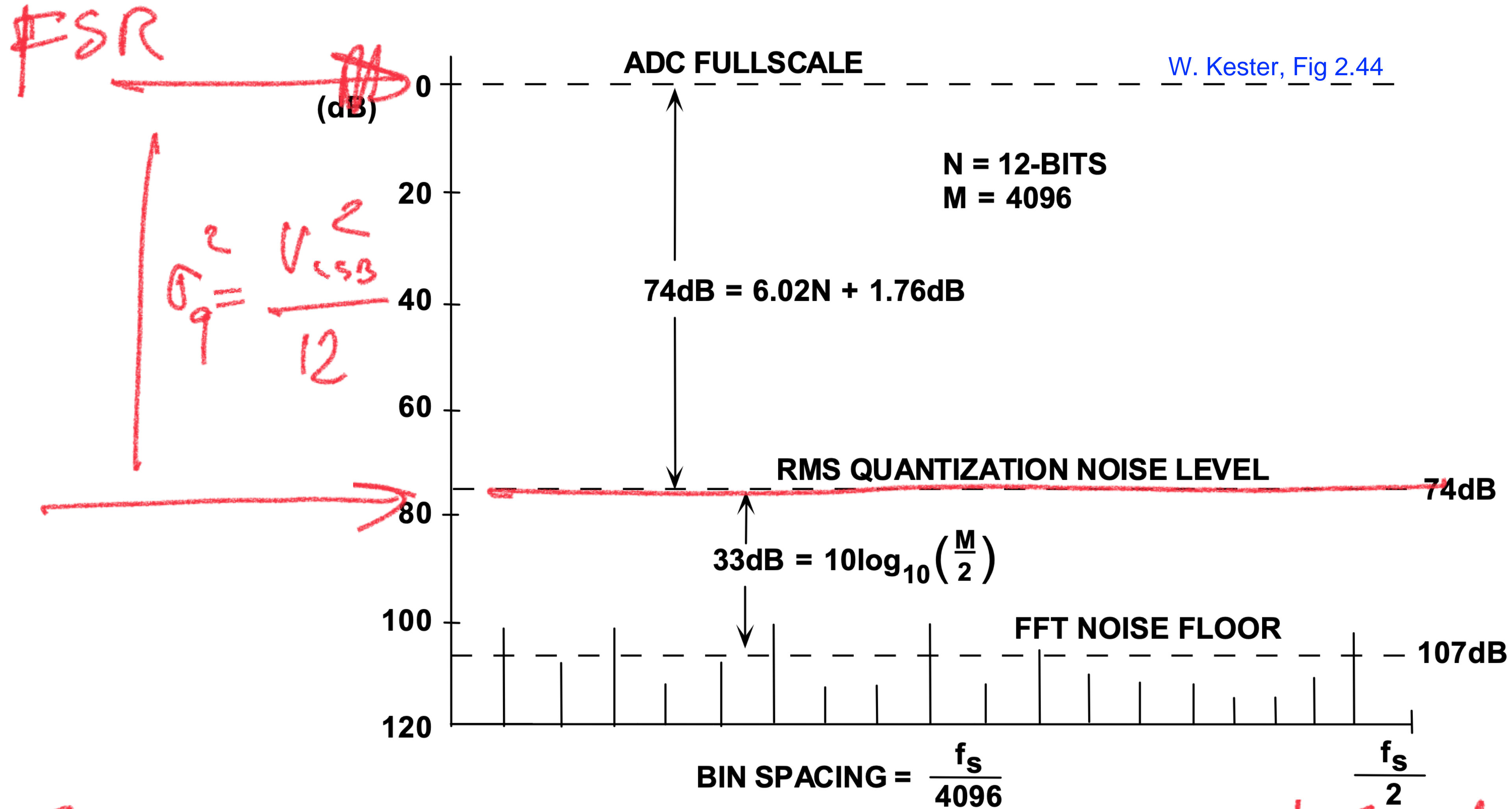
Solution:
Fast sampling, and filter



- Convolution with low-pass $h(t)$
- 127 coeff. Blackman-Harris kernel provides 70 dB stop-band attenuation
- Future: we will use $\gg 127$ coefficients
- Need more bits

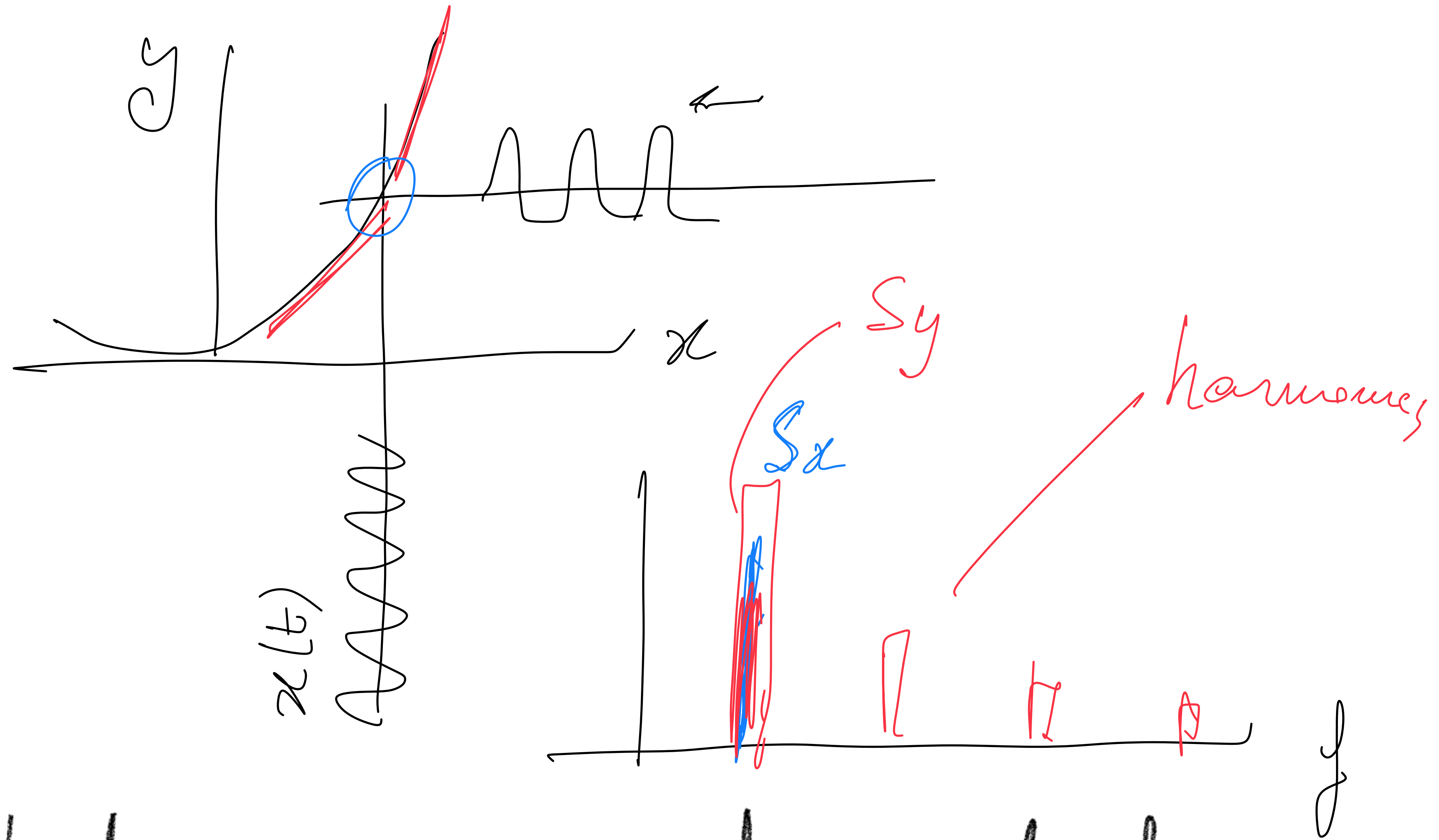


Quantization



Signal processing → use more bits than the converter output

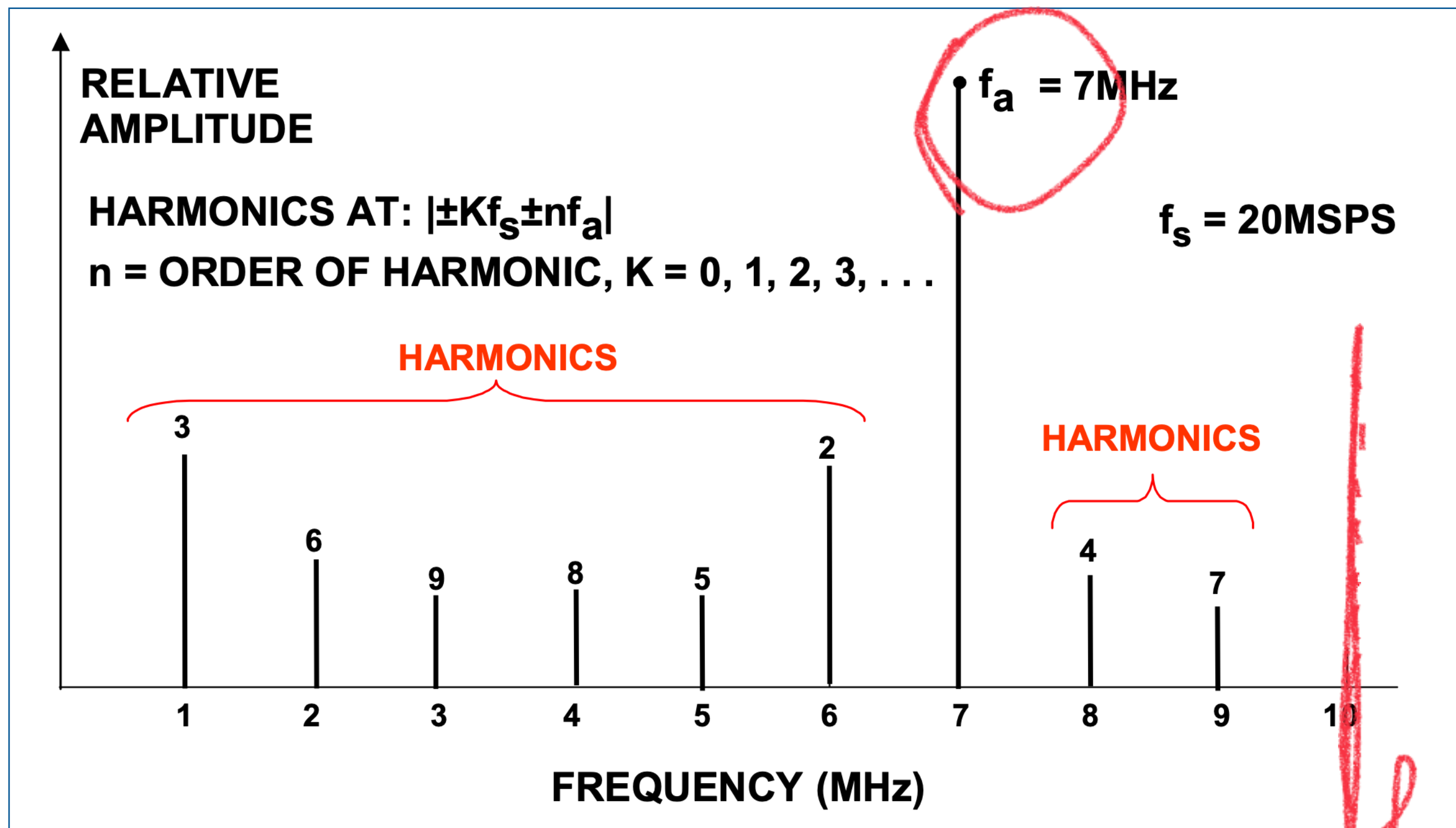
Distortion



What if the harmonics go beyond f_N

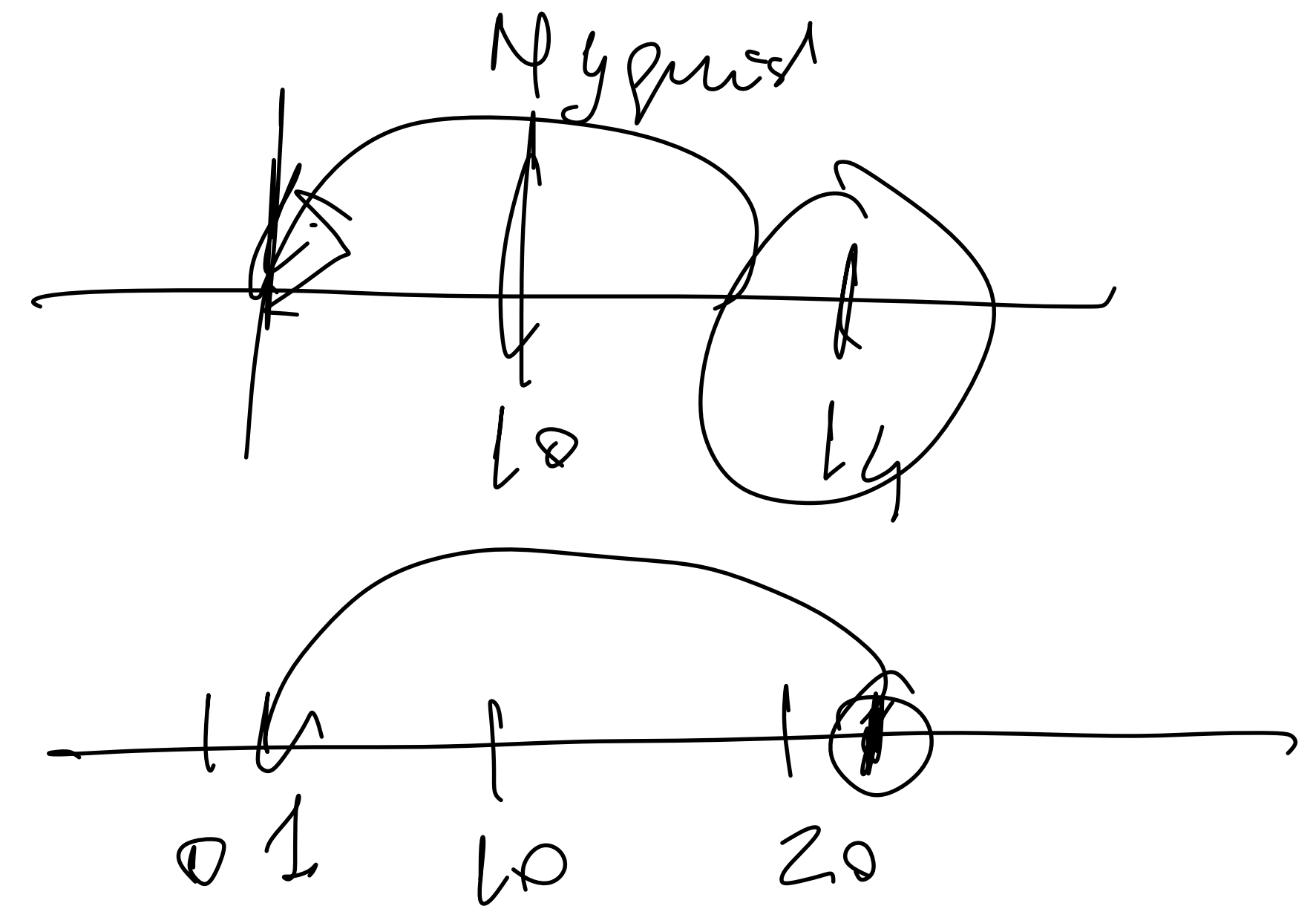
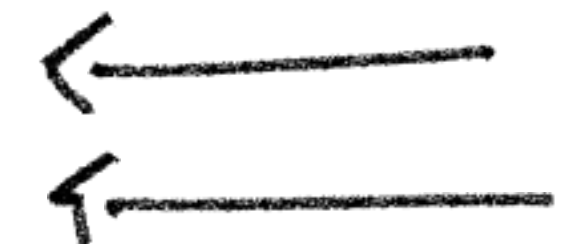
Distortion and Aliasing

W. Kester, Fig 2.44



Main signal
7 MHz sinusoid

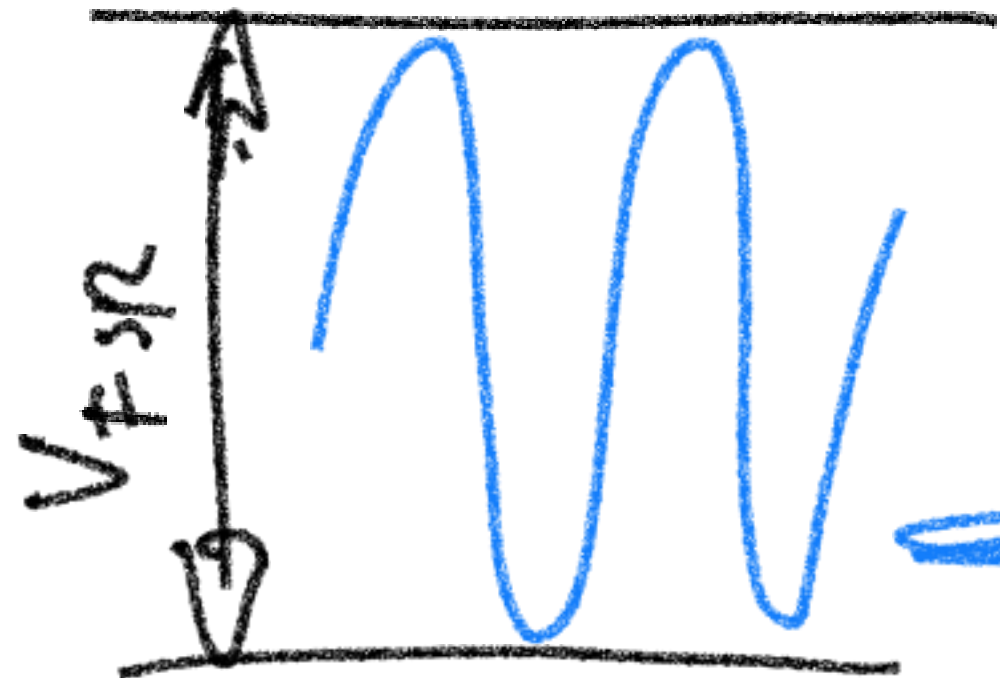
Sampling $f_s = 20 \text{ MHz}$
 Nyquist $f_N = 10 \text{ MHz}$



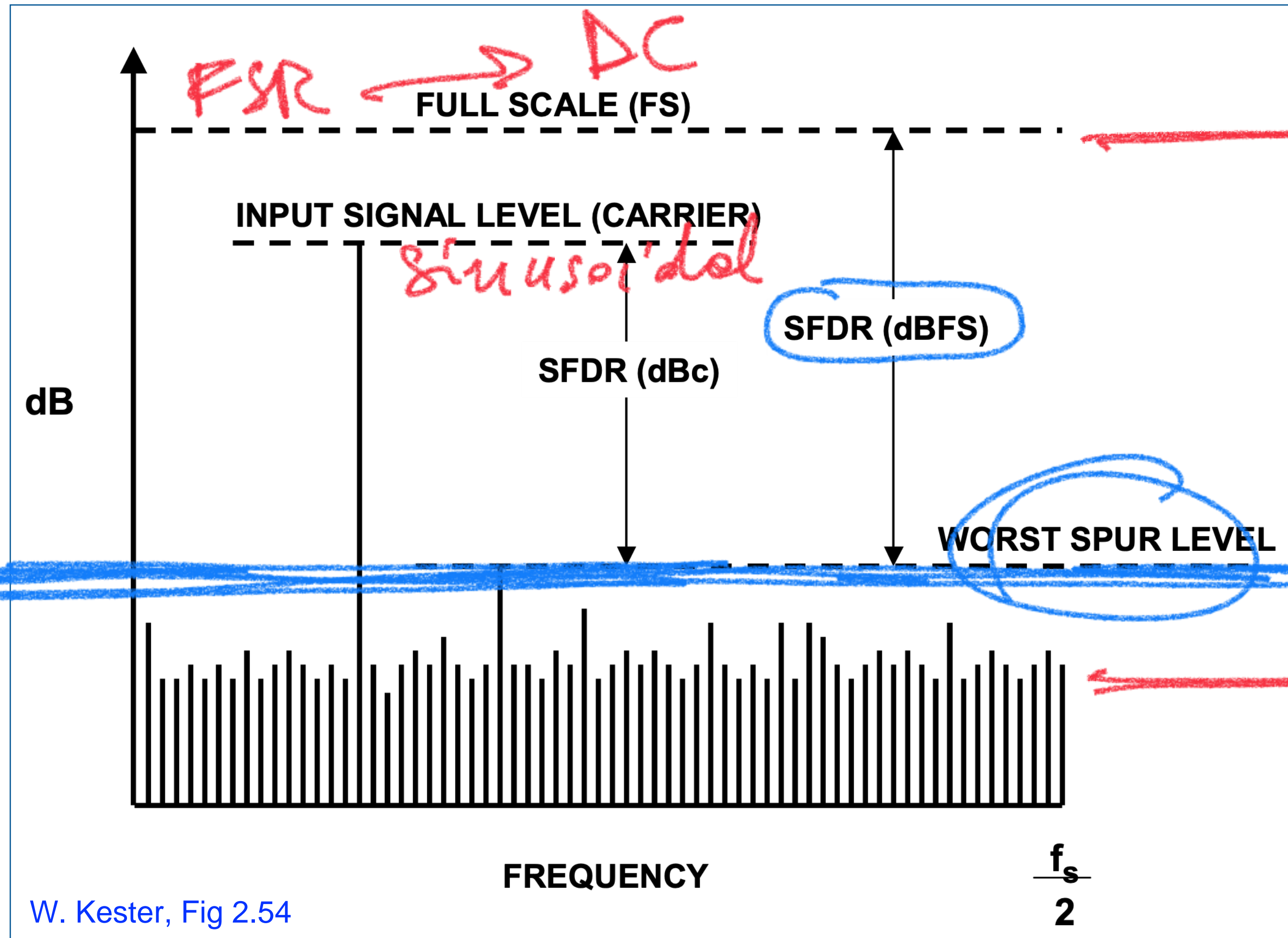
- 2nd. $2 \times 7 = 14$, mirror to 10 $\rightarrow 6$
- 3rd. $3 \times 7 = 21$, take away 20 $\rightarrow 1$
- 4th. $4 \times 7 = 28$, take away 20 $\rightarrow 8$
- 5th. $5 \times 7 = 35$, take away 20 $\rightarrow 15$, mirror to 10 $\rightarrow 5$
- 6th. $6 \times 7 = 42$, take away 40 $\rightarrow 2$
- 7th. $7 \times 7 = 49$, take away 40 $\rightarrow 9$
- 8th. $8 \times 7 = 56$, take away 40 $\rightarrow 16$, mirror to 10 $\rightarrow 4$

Spurious-Free Dynamic Range

SFDR



$$P = \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{8}$$



W. Kester, Fig 2.54

FSR → DC

FSR

Sinusoidal

SFDR (dBFS)

WORST SPUR LEVEL

Quant. Noise

SINAD, ENoB, SNR

◆ **SINAD (Signal-to-Noise-and-Distortion Ratio):** W. Kester, Fig 2.16

- The ratio of the rms signal amplitude to the mean value of the root-sum-squares (RSS) of all other spectral components, including harmonics, but excluding DC.

◆ **ENOB (Effective Number of Bits):**

$$\text{ENOB} = \frac{\text{SINAD} - 1.76\text{dB}}{6.02}$$

Not a general definition!!!

◆ **SNR (Signal-to-Noise Ratio, or Signal-to-Noise Ratio Without Harmonics):**

Not a general definition!!!

- The ratio of the rms signal amplitude to the mean value of the root-sum-squares (RSS) of all other spectral components, excluding the first 5 harmonics and DC

$$\text{SINAD} = \frac{V_{\text{rms}}}{\sqrt{\sum V_{\text{harmon}}^2} + \sqrt{\sum V_{\text{spurs}}^2} + \sqrt{\sum \dots}}$$

Also SQR = Signal to Quantization Ratio

Transition Noise

High-Speed Converters

- Analog noise is higher than quantization noise
- Given a voltage V \rightarrow random distribution of output N
- This correct $\rightarrow V^2 = V^2_{\text{analog}} + V^2_{\text{quant}}$
(don't spoil the resolution with insufficient no of bits)

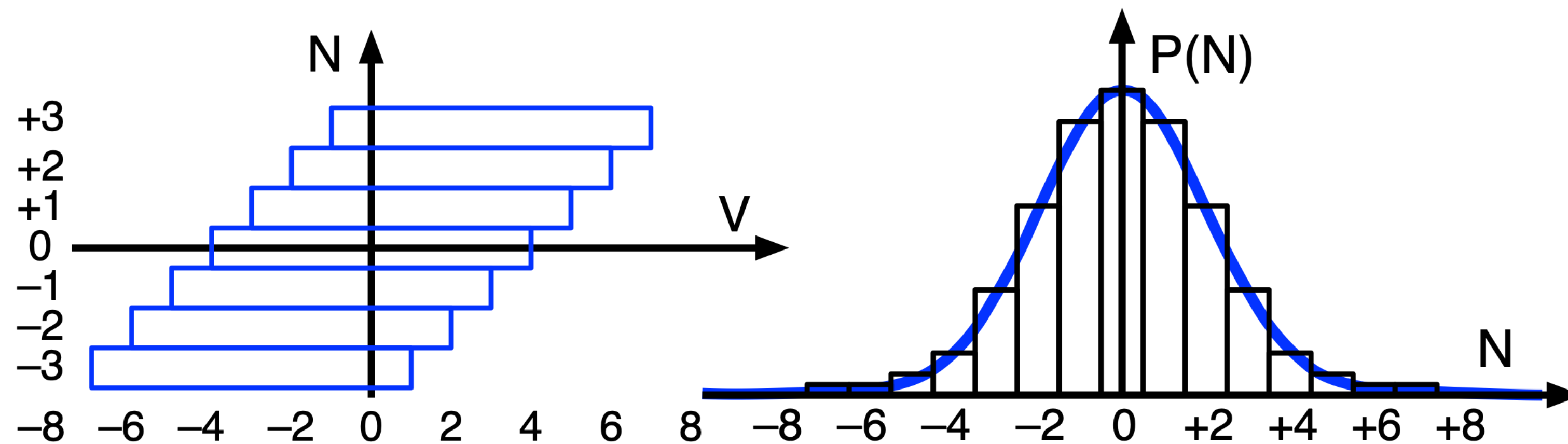
Information (bits)

$$I = \sum_i -p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

Equivalent No of Bits

$$\text{ENoB} = \log_2 \left[1 + \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}}{\sqrt{12} \sigma_V} \right]$$

Transition Noise

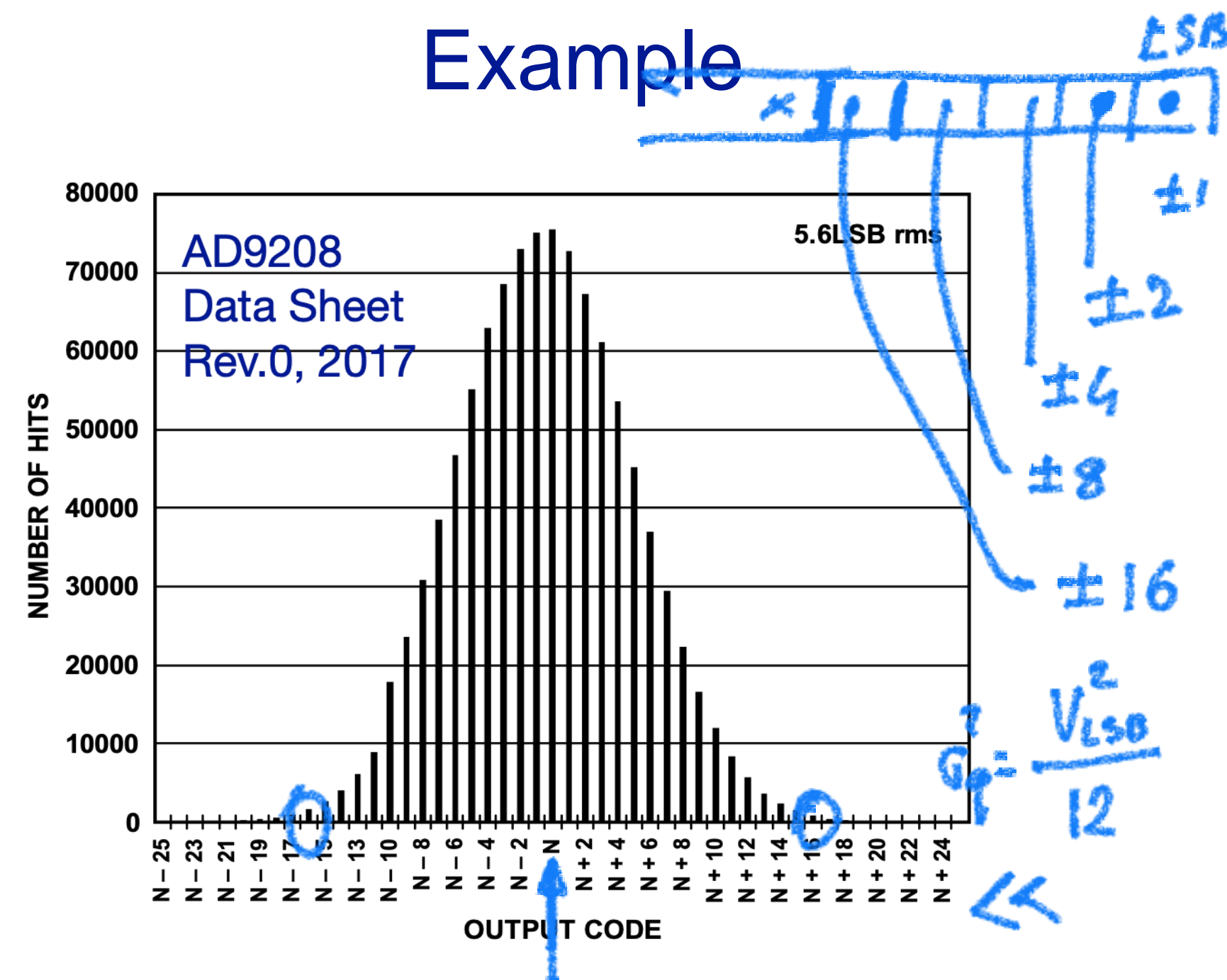


- Actual noise includes Quantization, Analog noise, and Distortion

$$\sigma^2_v = \sigma^2_q + \sigma^2_a + \sigma^2_d$$

- Random distribution of output N
- Metrology suggests to make σ^2_q negligible because BUS bits are cheap

Example



Equivalent Number of Bits (ENoB)

1. Quantization

$$\sigma_q^2 = \frac{V_{\text{LSB}}}{12} = \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}}{12 \cdot 2^{2n}}$$

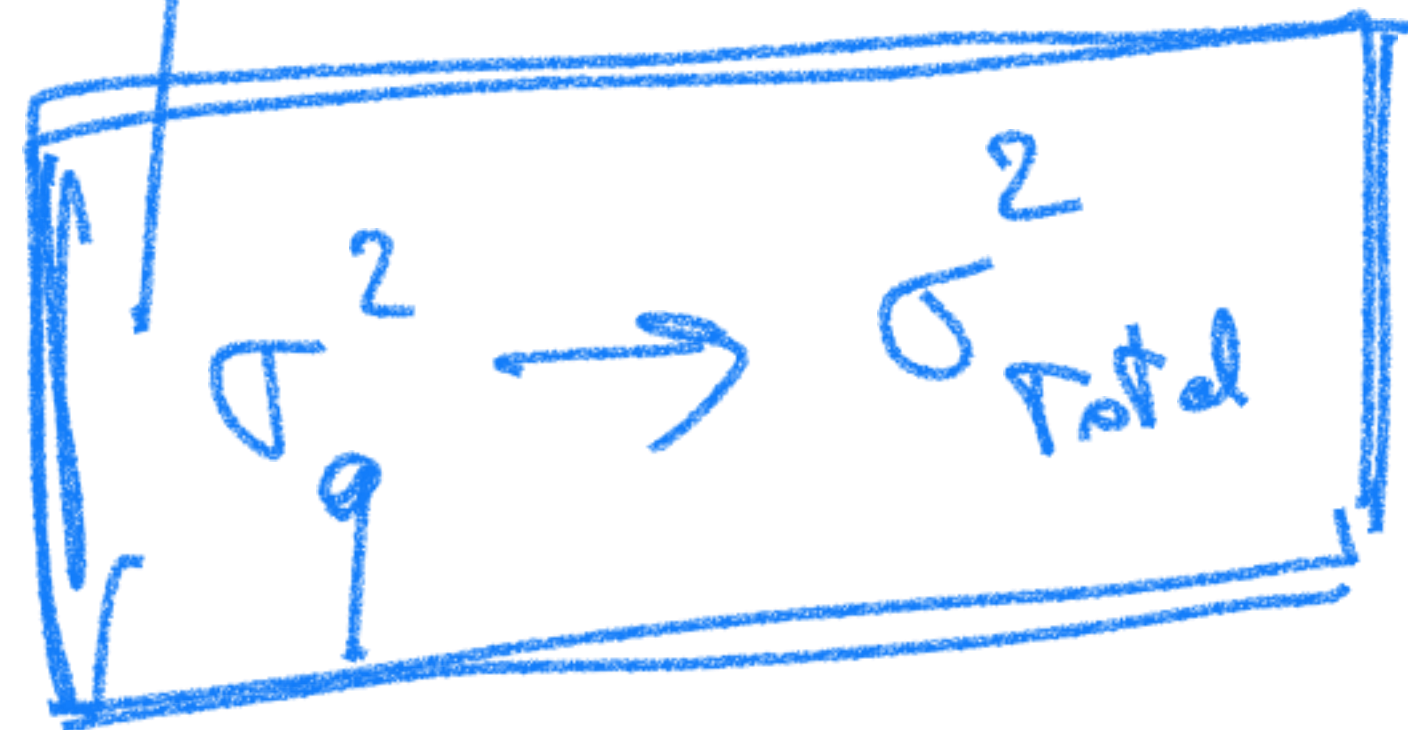
← quantization

2. Analog noise

$$\sigma_a^2$$

3. Distortion

4. Spurs



$$\sigma^2 = \frac{V_{\text{FSR}}}{12 \cdot 2^{\text{ENoB}}}$$

Example AD9652

- Specs: $V_{FSR} = 2 \text{ V}$, $ENOB = 12 \text{ bits}$, $f_s = 250 \text{ MHz}$
- Calculate σ_q , noise PSD, SQR.
- What happens if f_s is lowered to 100 MHz?

Information

- Bit
- Hartley *log₁₀*
(ban, dit)
- Natural
logarithm

Information (bits)

$$I = \sum_i -p_i \log_2(p_i)$$

event i → p_i

1 bit (sign only)

$$\frac{50\%V > 0}{50\%V < 0}$$

$$-0.5 \log_2(0.5) = 0.5$$

$$\Sigma = 1$$

3 bits

V_{FSR}

$p = 1/8$

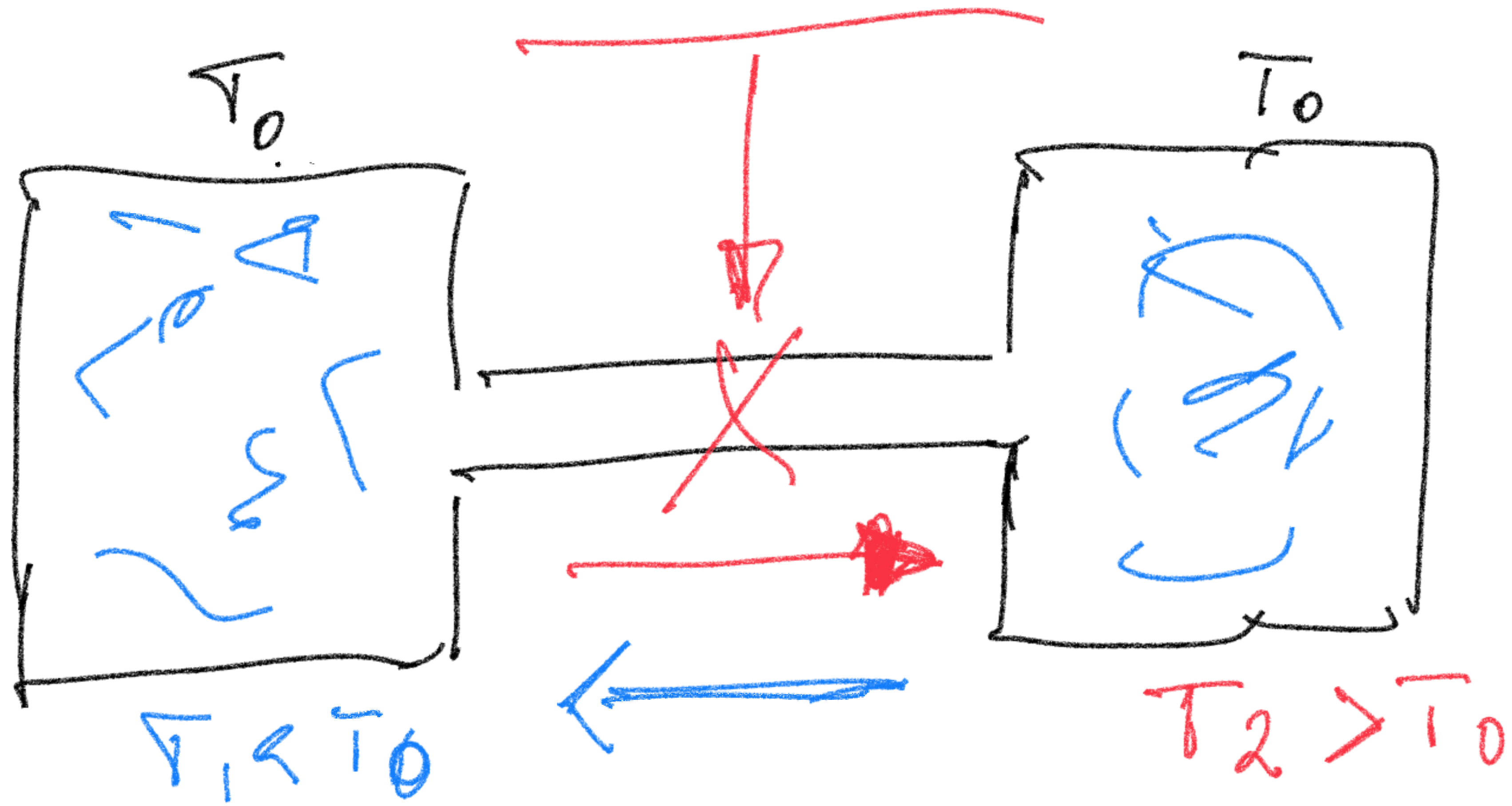
$-(1/8) \log_2(1/8) = 3/8$

0

8 equal terms

$$\sum_{i=1}^8 \dots = 3$$

Maxwell's Demon



cannot cycle

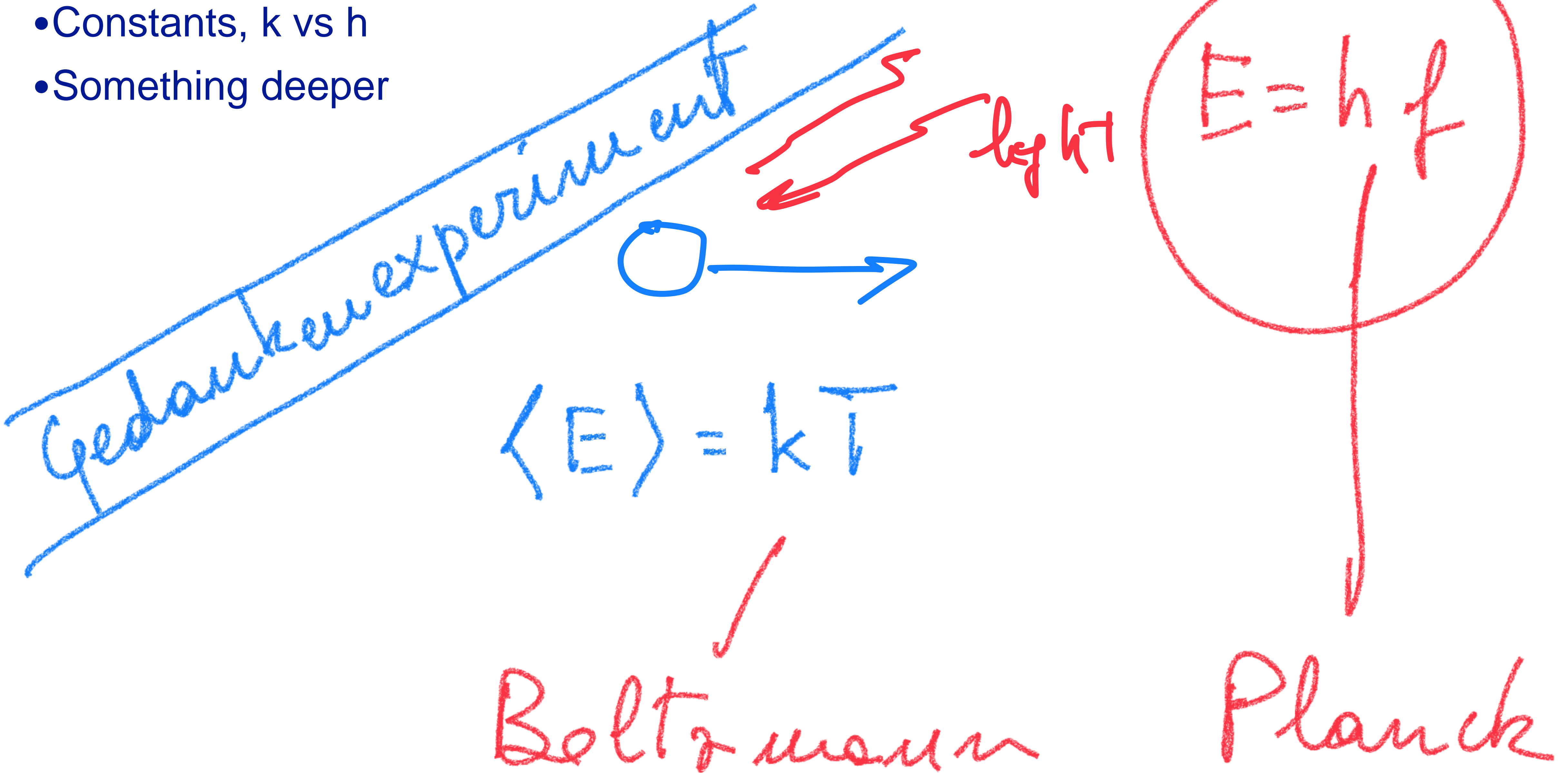
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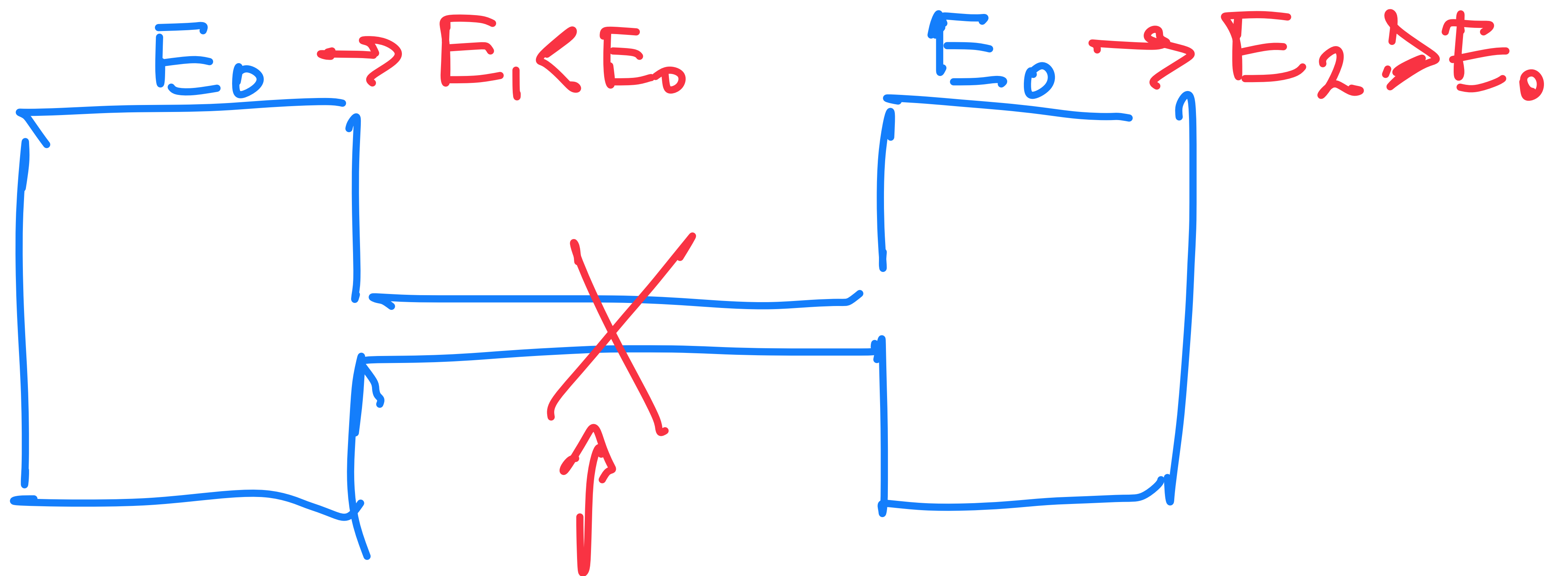
#8 Tuesday, October 15, 2019

1.5 Hours

- Photon energy?
- Constants, k vs h
- Something deeper

Maxwell's Demon





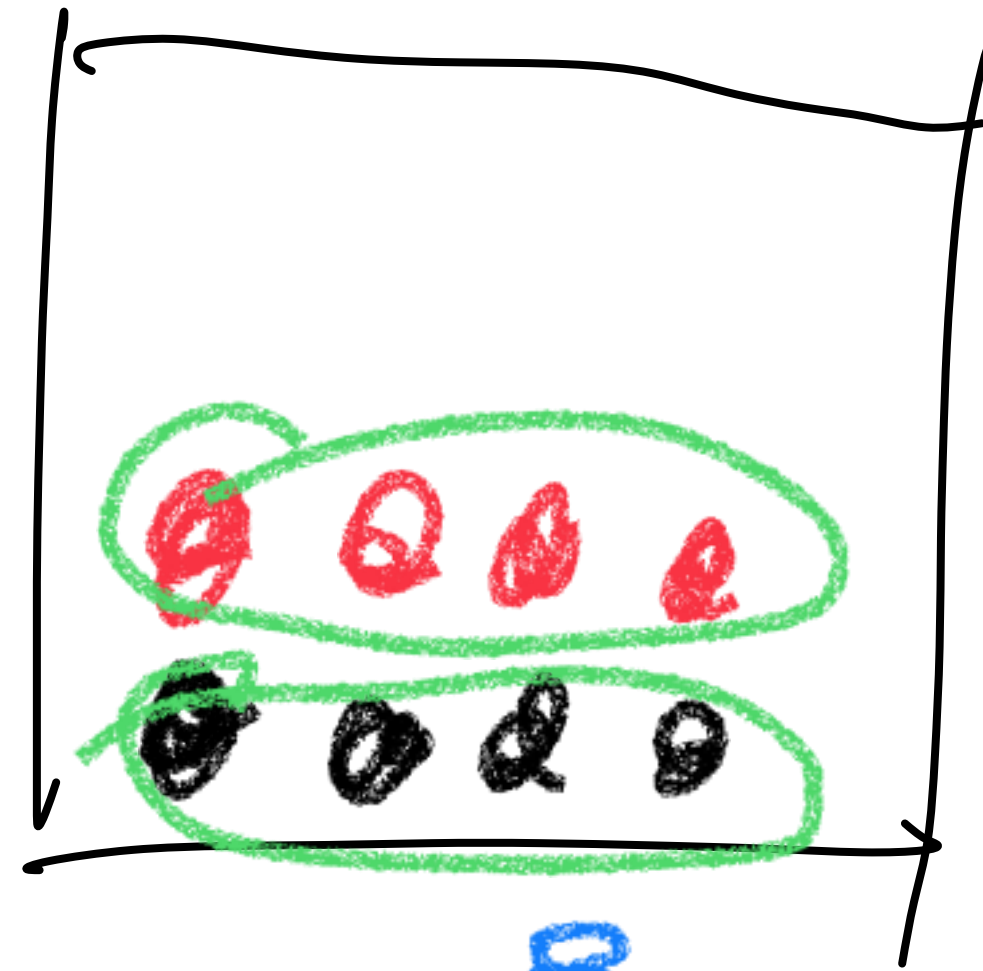
Information and energy
are \approx the same thing

Information – Black/Red(Green) Balls

- + •B/R, 50% each
- B/R, 25/75%
- Roulette

$$I = \sum -p_i \log p_i$$

probability
of the i -th event

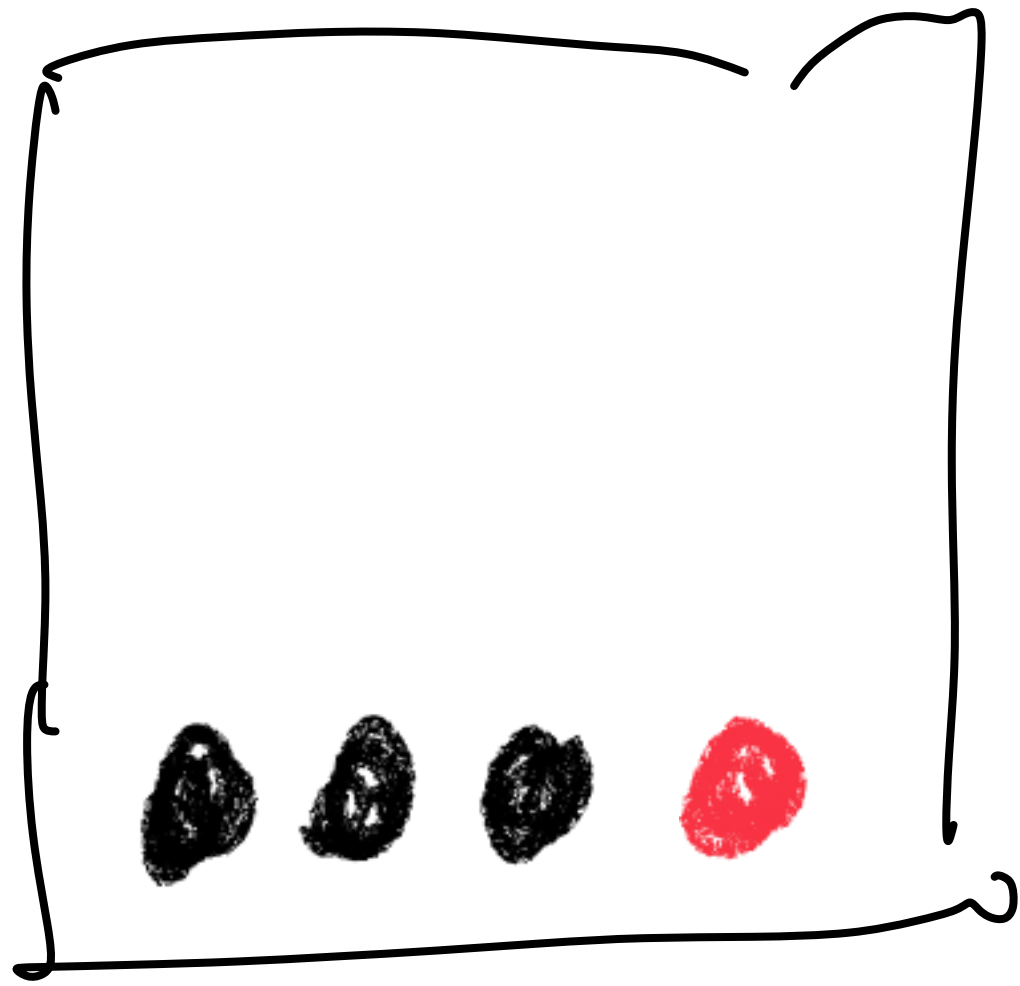


$$p_i = \frac{1}{8} \quad \forall i$$

all different

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^8 -\frac{1}{8} \log_2 \frac{1}{8}$$

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^2 -\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2} = 1 \text{ bit}$$



$$\log_2(x) = \frac{\ln(x)}{\ln(2)}$$

$$I = \sum_i -p_i \log_2 p_i$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)$$

0.311
1/2

$$I = 0.81 \text{ bit}$$

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ROULETTE

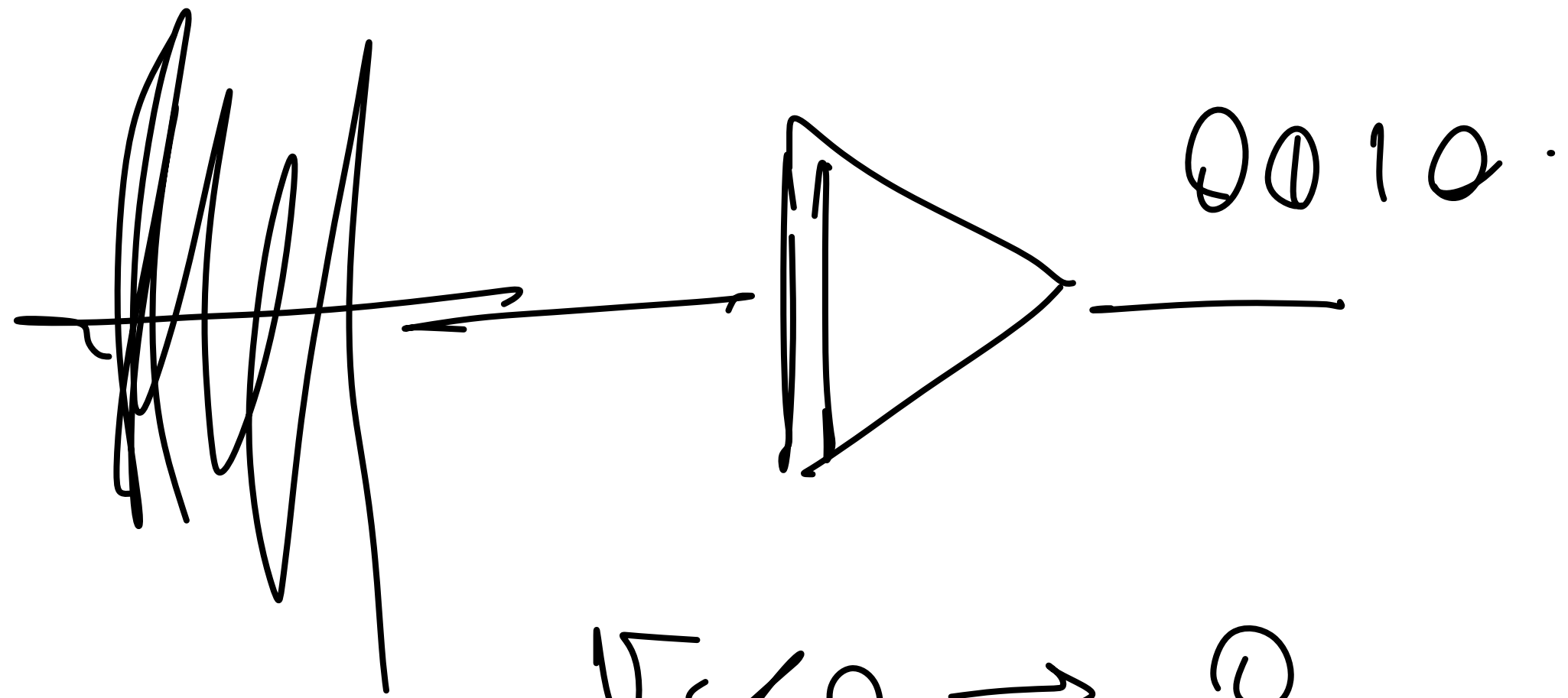


$$I = \frac{-\frac{18}{37} \log_2 \left(\frac{18}{37}\right) \times 2}{\text{black/red}} \approx \frac{1}{37} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{37}\right) \approx 0.14$$

1.01

\log_e → bit
 \log_{10} → Hartley
 \ln → Thermodynamic Entropy

Information – Comparator



$$V_i < 0 \rightarrow 0$$

$$V_i > 0 \rightarrow 1$$

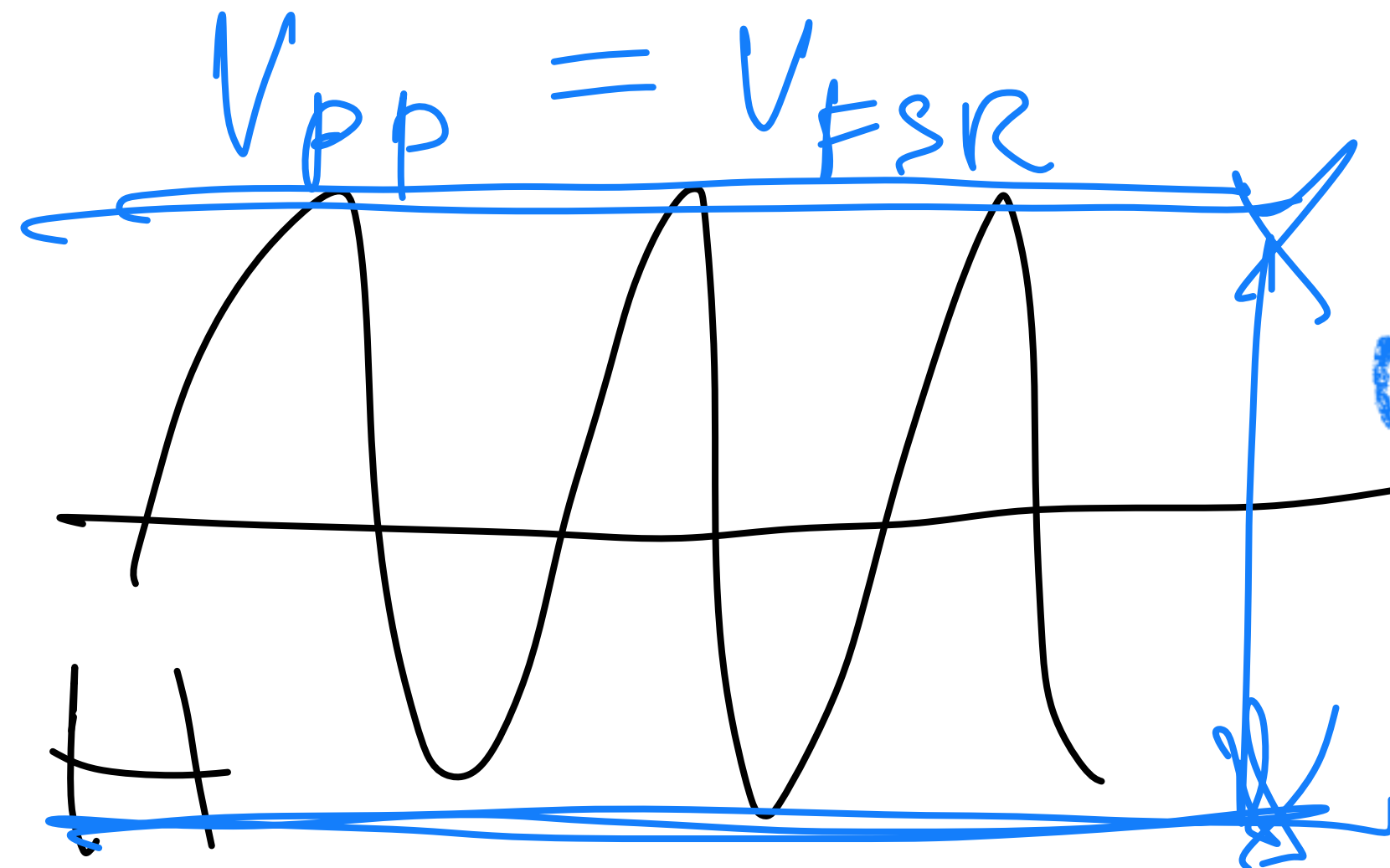
$$P_{\#} = P_{-} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$I = 1 \text{ bit}$$

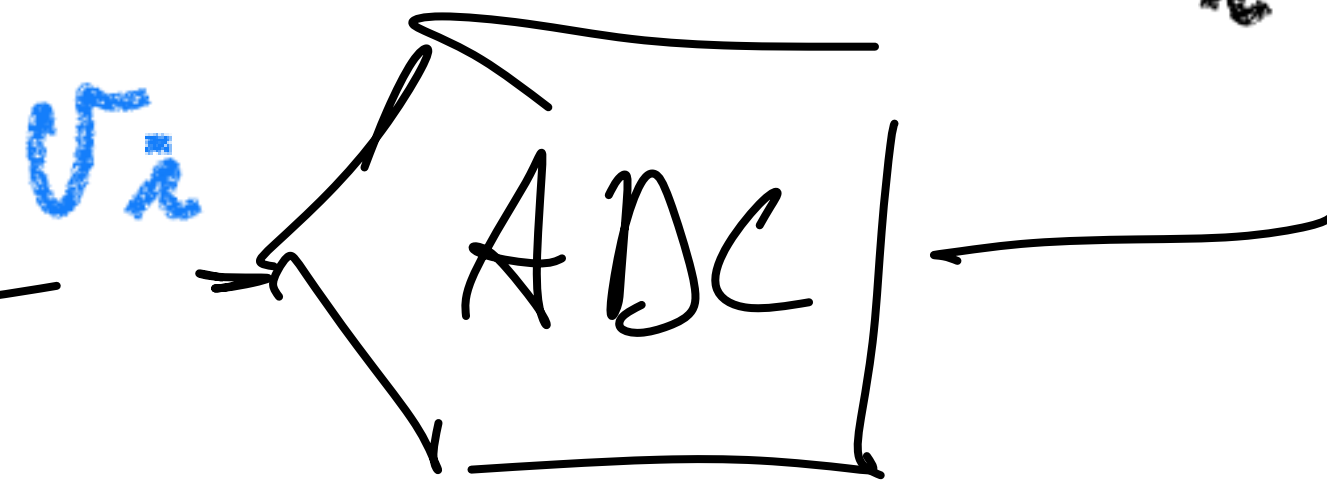
$\Sigma \Delta$ DACs

ADC

Information – 3 bit ADC & Sinusoid

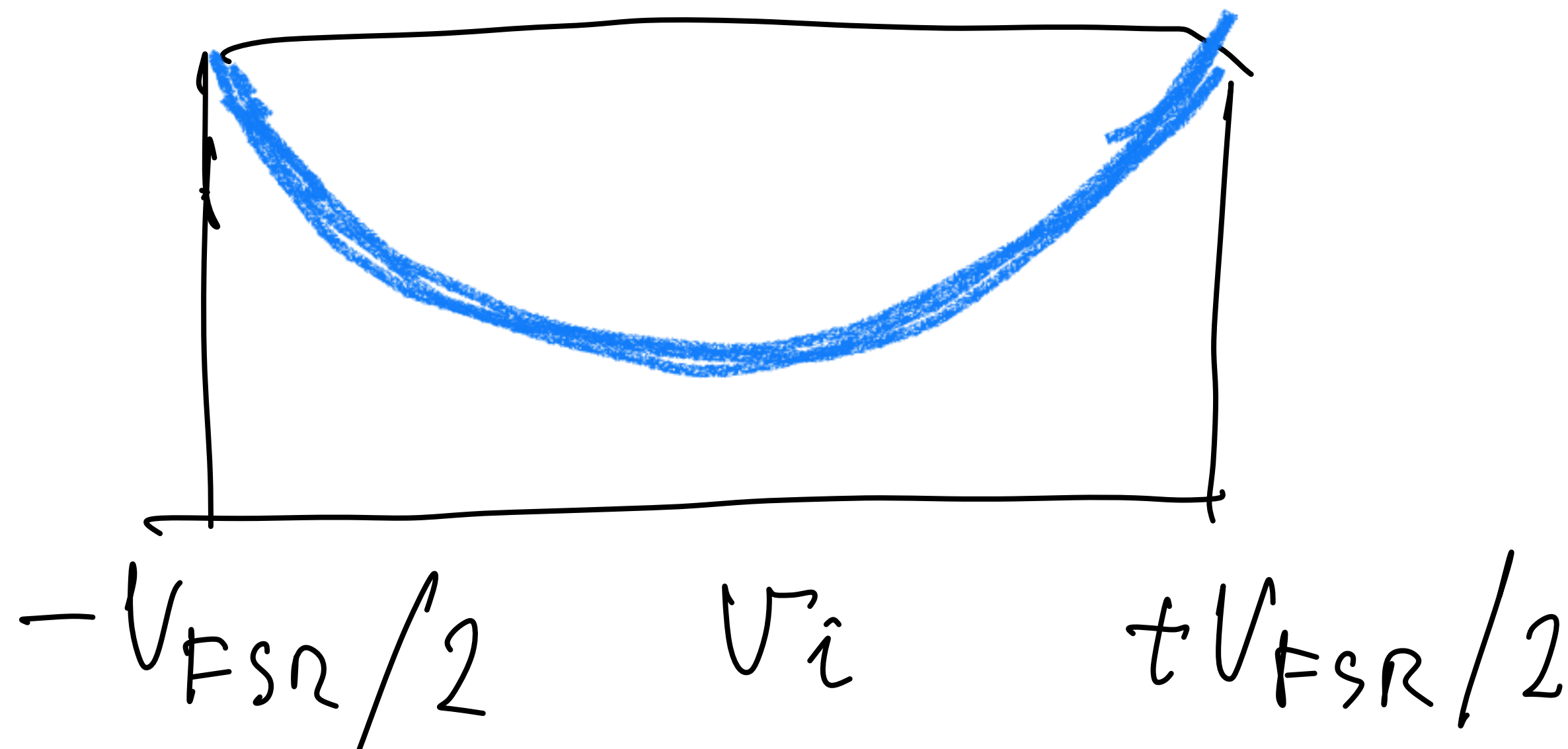
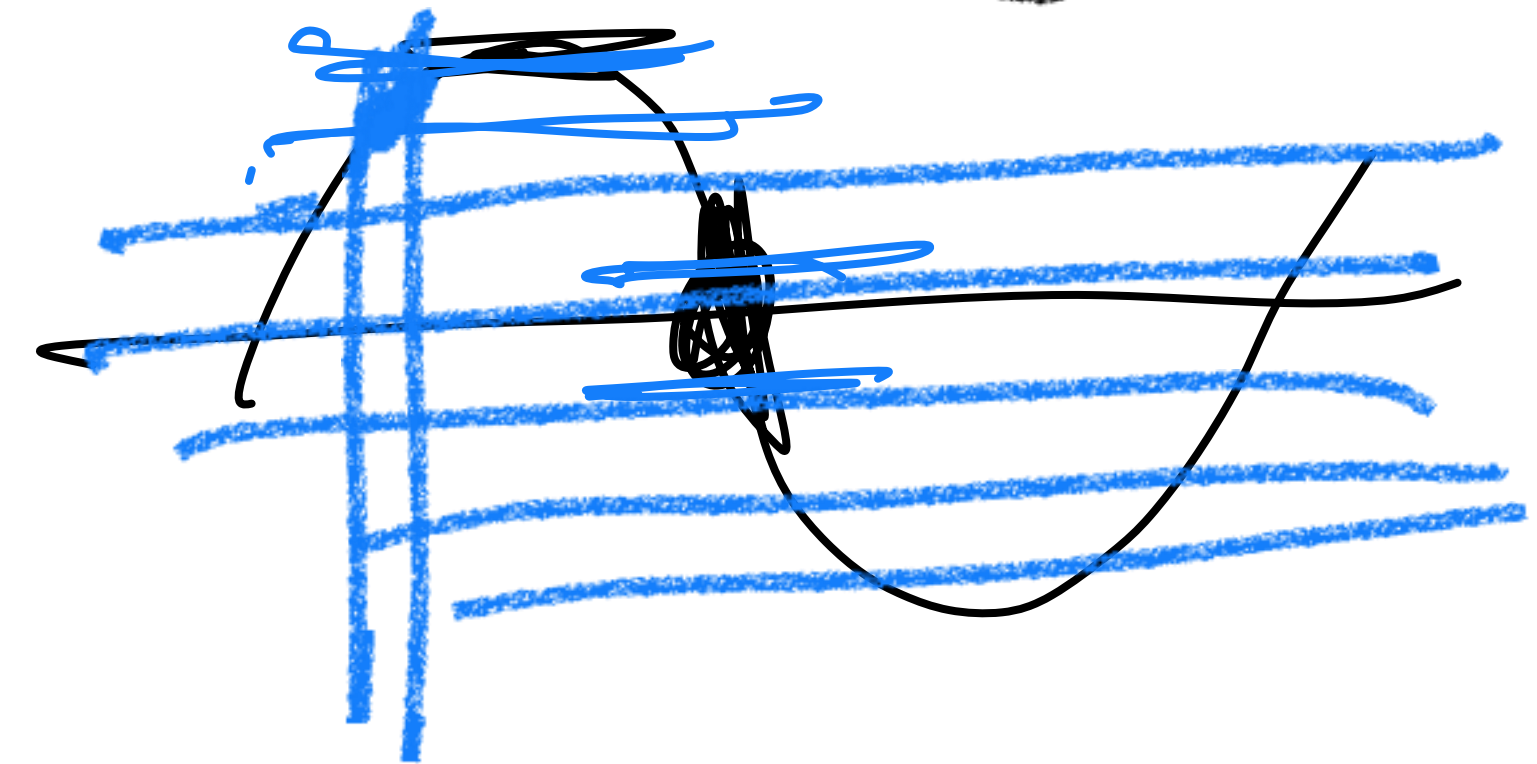


Random noise
of time



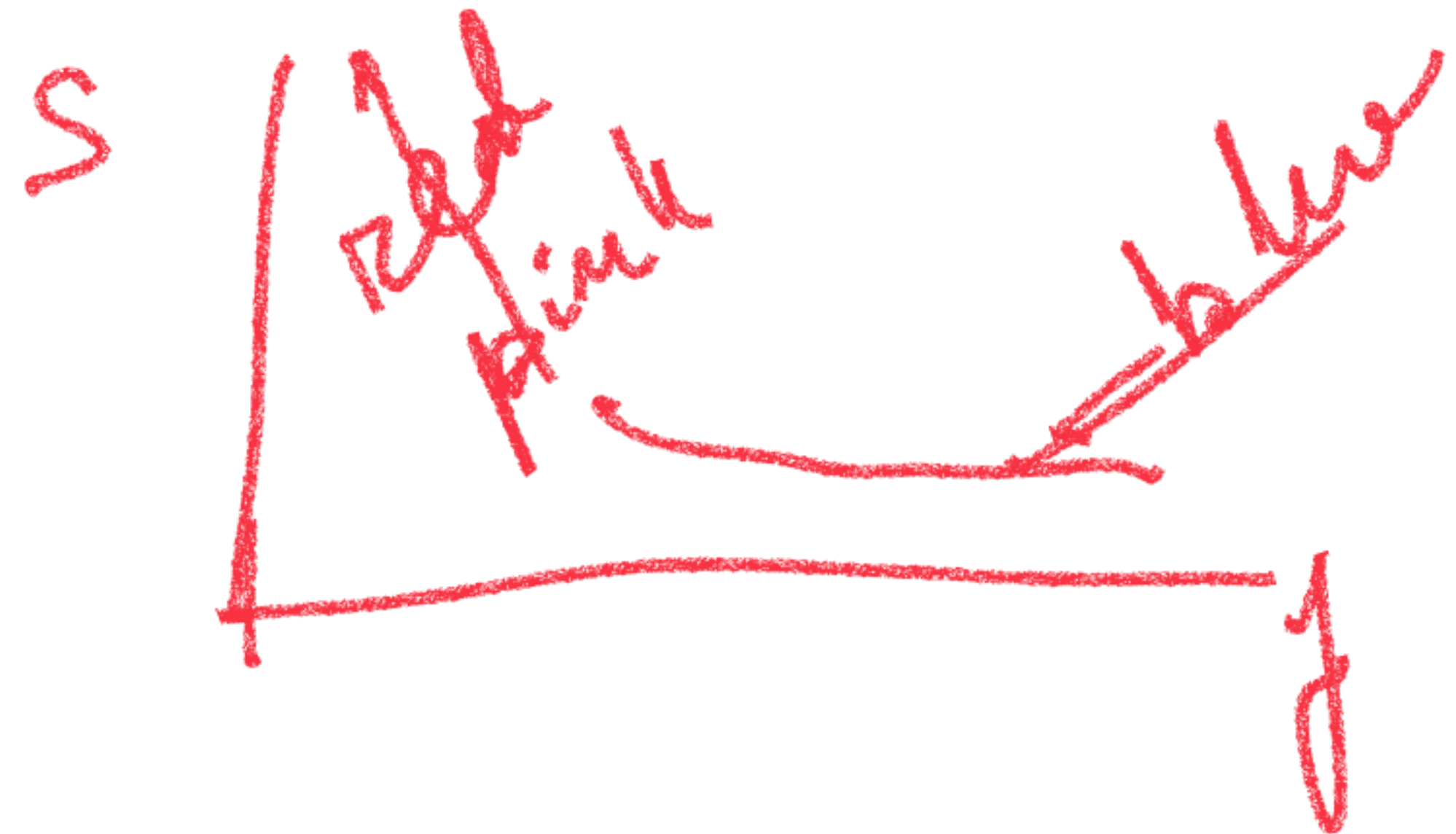
$$V_i = V_p \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\hookrightarrow V_p = \frac{1}{2} V_{PP}$$



Analog Noise

- Thermal noise
- Shot noise
- Noise temperature
- Noise figure / Noise factor
- Flicker noise
- Colored noise



Accelerated Electrical Particle

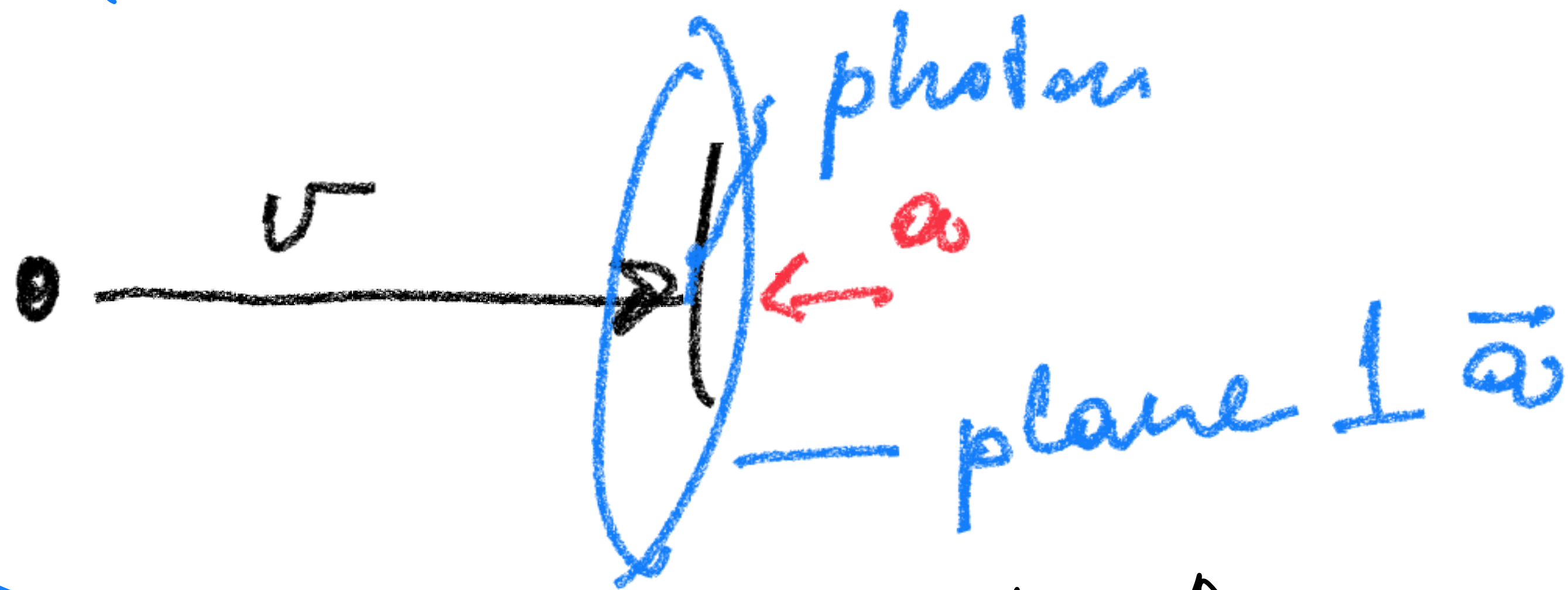
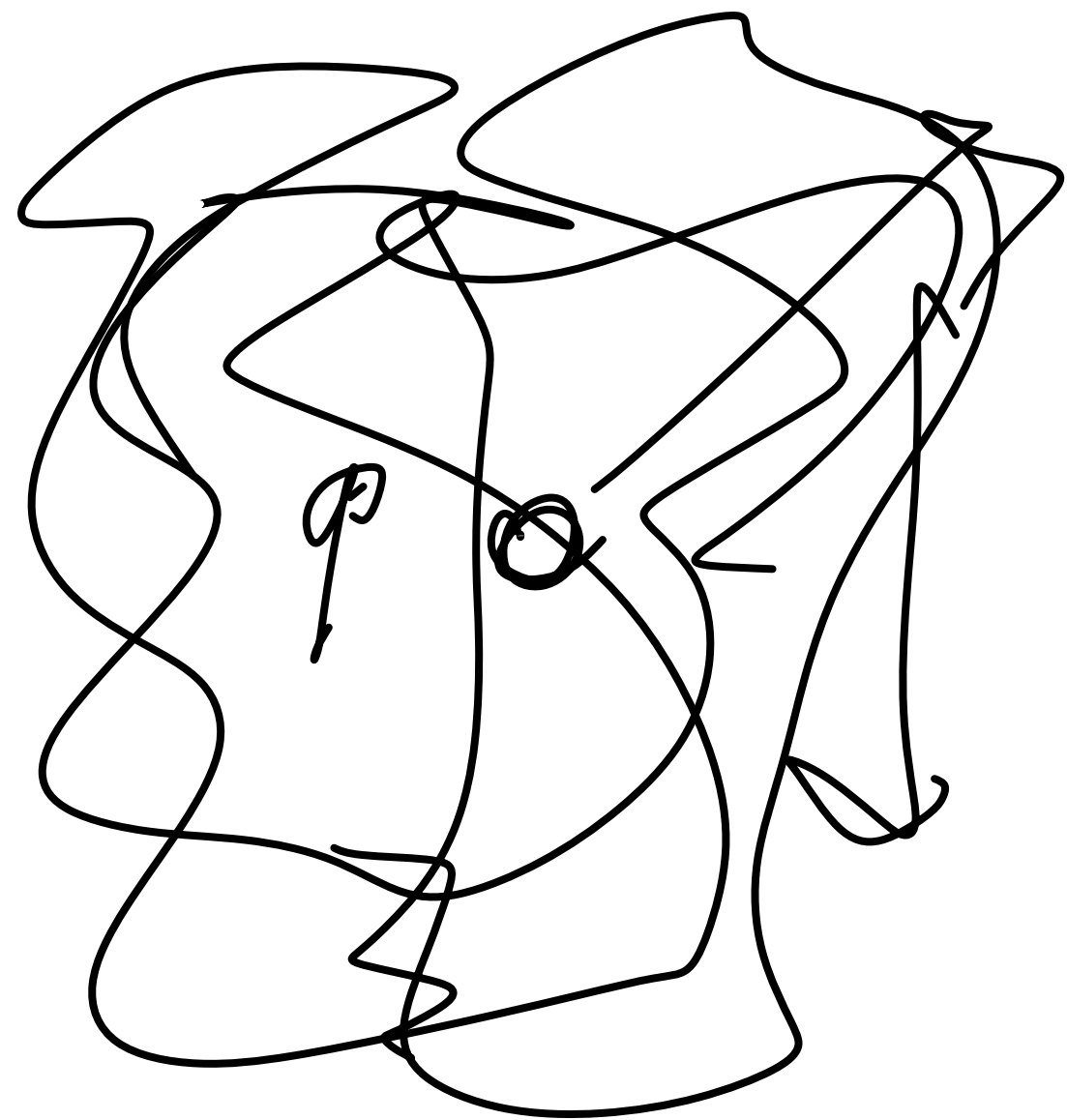
- Antenna
- Synchrotron radiation
- LED
- Blackbody radiation, gas-like electrons
- $E = kT/2$ per DOF
- Electrons, 2 DOF
- Neutron matter?

Keep on hand

$$h = 6.62607004 \times 10^{-34} \text{ m}^2 \text{ kg} / \text{s} \text{ (J/Hz)}$$

$$k = 1.38064852 \times 10^{-23} \text{ m}^2 \text{ kg} \text{ s}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1} \text{ (J/K), or 2 cal/mol}$$

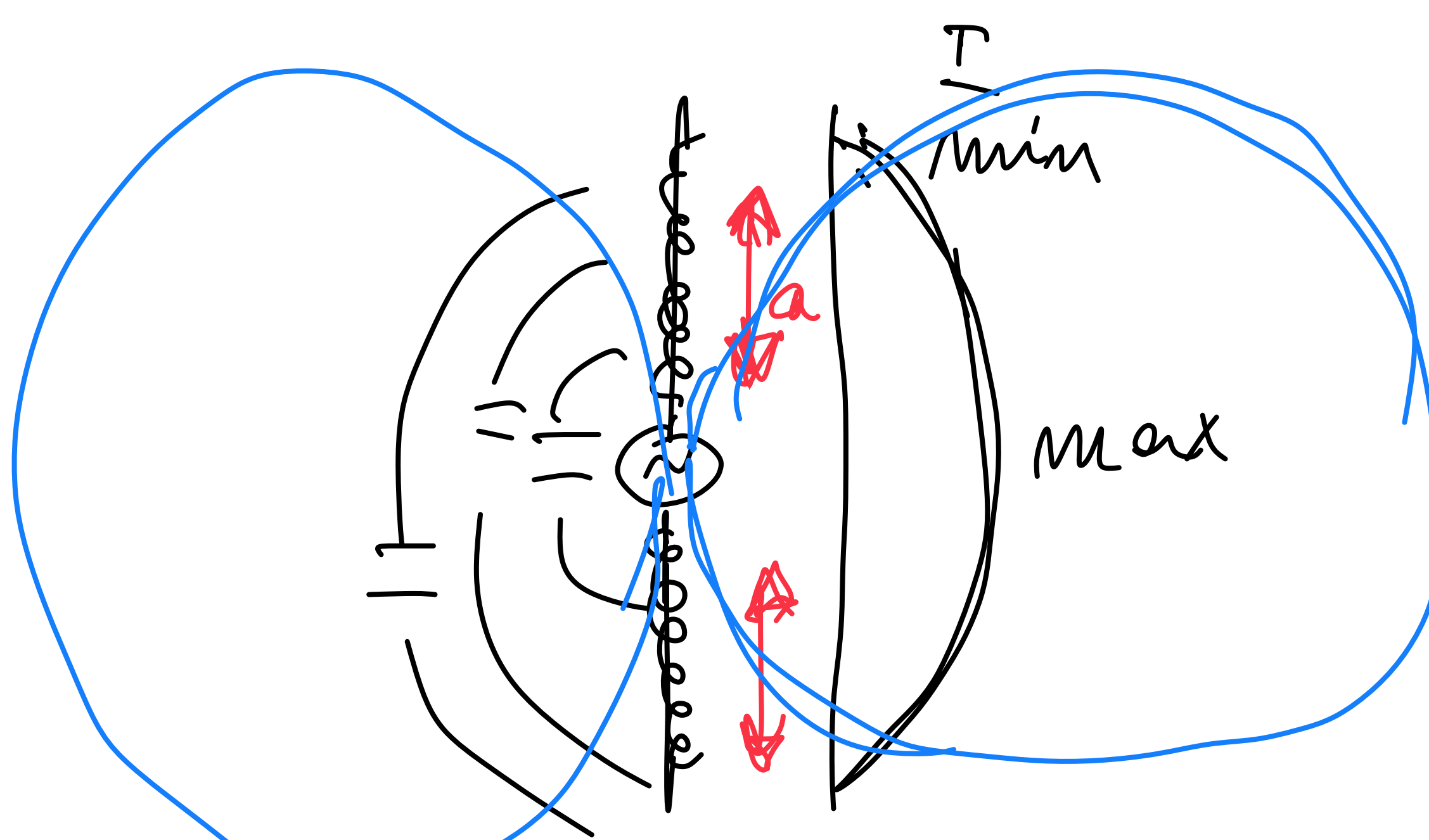
Larmor Theorem (Lutacion Choi?)



LED



0.7V 2.5V



$$E = hf \longrightarrow$$

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$$

$$3 \cdot 10^8$$

$$0.53 \mu\text{m}$$

$$6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J/Hz}$$

$$e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$\rightarrow \text{eV}$

$$3.7 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$\downarrow \div e$$

$$2.33 \text{ V}$$

$$\frac{3 \times 10^8}{5.3 \times 10^{-7} \times 10^{14}} = 5.7$$

Thermal Noise

Historical Article, Highly Educational

THERMAL AGITATION OF ELECTRIC CHARGE IN CONDUCTORS*

BY H. NYQUIST

ABSTRACT

The electromotive force due to thermal agitation in conductors is calculated by means of principles in thermodynamics and statistical mechanics. The results obtained agree with results obtained experimentally.

DR. J. B. JOHNSON¹ has reported the discovery and measurement of an electromotive force in conductors which is related in a simple manner to the temperature of the conductor and which is attributed by him to the thermal agitation of the carriers of electricity in the conductors. The work to be reported in the present paper was undertaken after Johnson's results were available to the writer and consists of a theoretical deduction of the electromotive force in question from thermodynamics and statistical mechanics.²

Nyquist H - Thermal agitation of electric charges in
conductors - Phys Rev 32(1) p110-113, July 1928

Johnson

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#9 Tuesday, October 20, 2020

1.5 Hours

The Nyquist Article

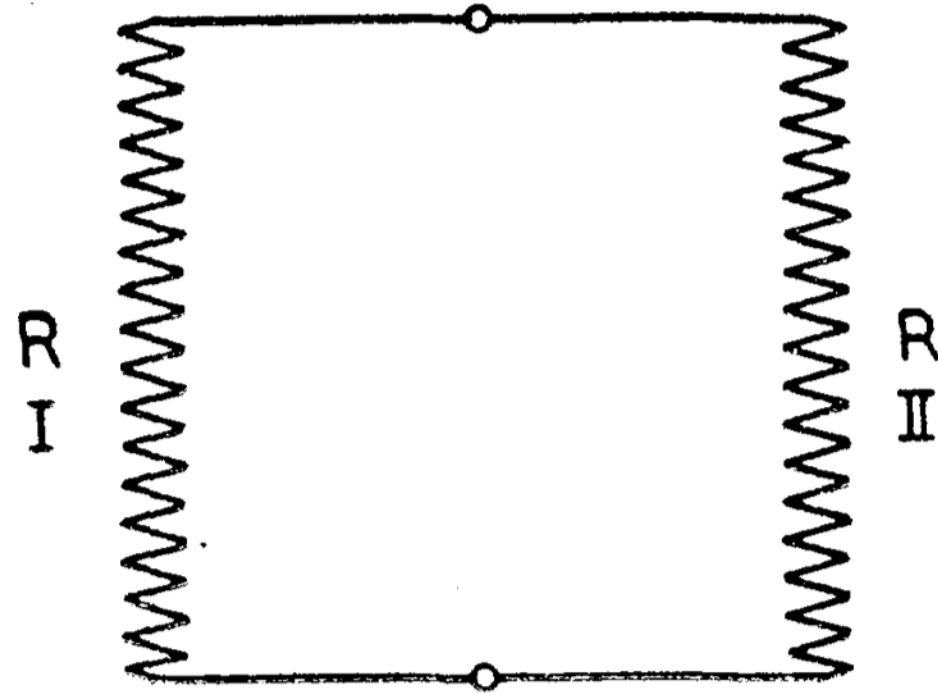


Fig. 1.

Circuits laws and
thermodynamics
 $E = E(f, R, T)$

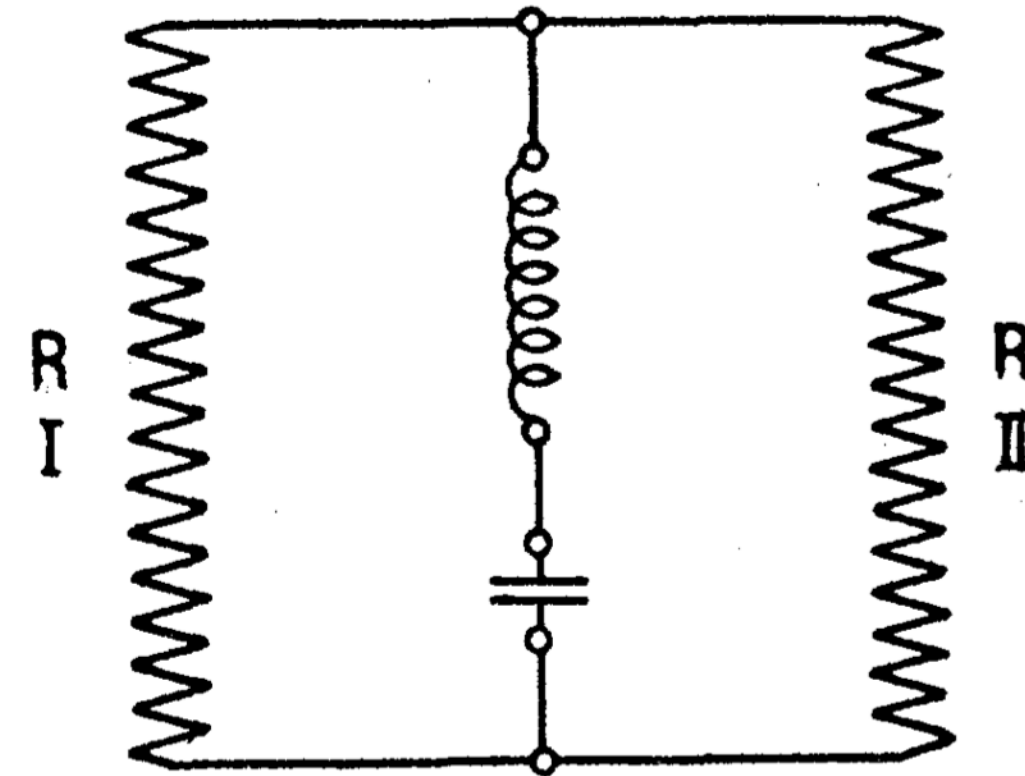


Fig. 2.

White
 $E = E(R, T)$

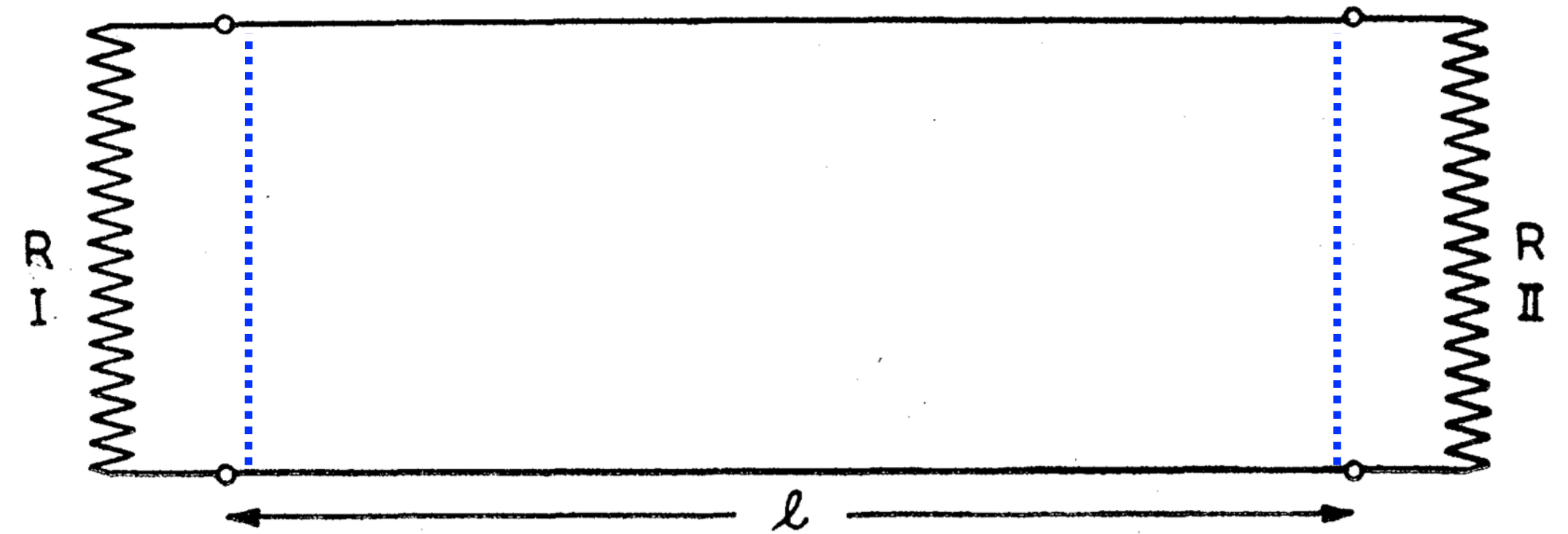


Fig. 3.

Line \rightarrow modes spaced by $\Delta\nu = \nu/2l$

$$E = kT \text{ per mode}$$

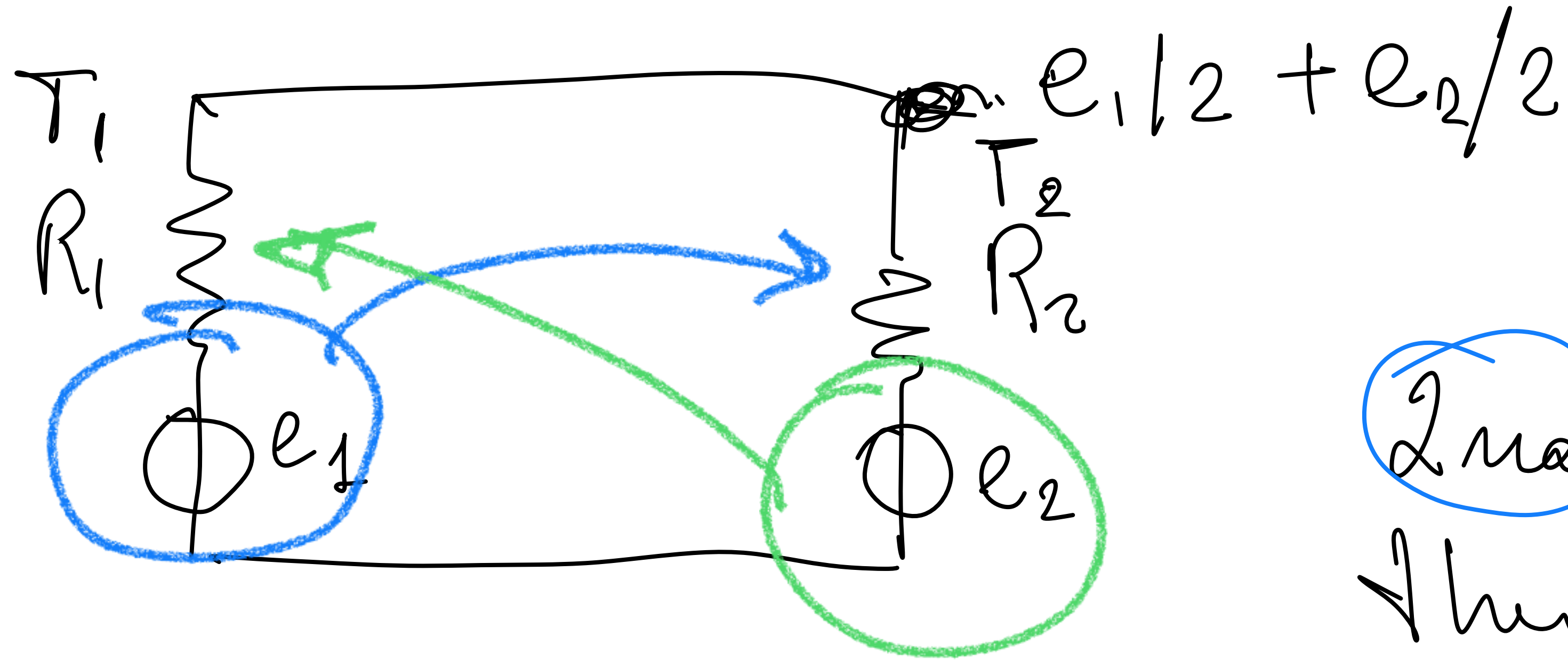
P transferred in $d\nu$ and in time l/v is $kT d\nu$

Spectrum

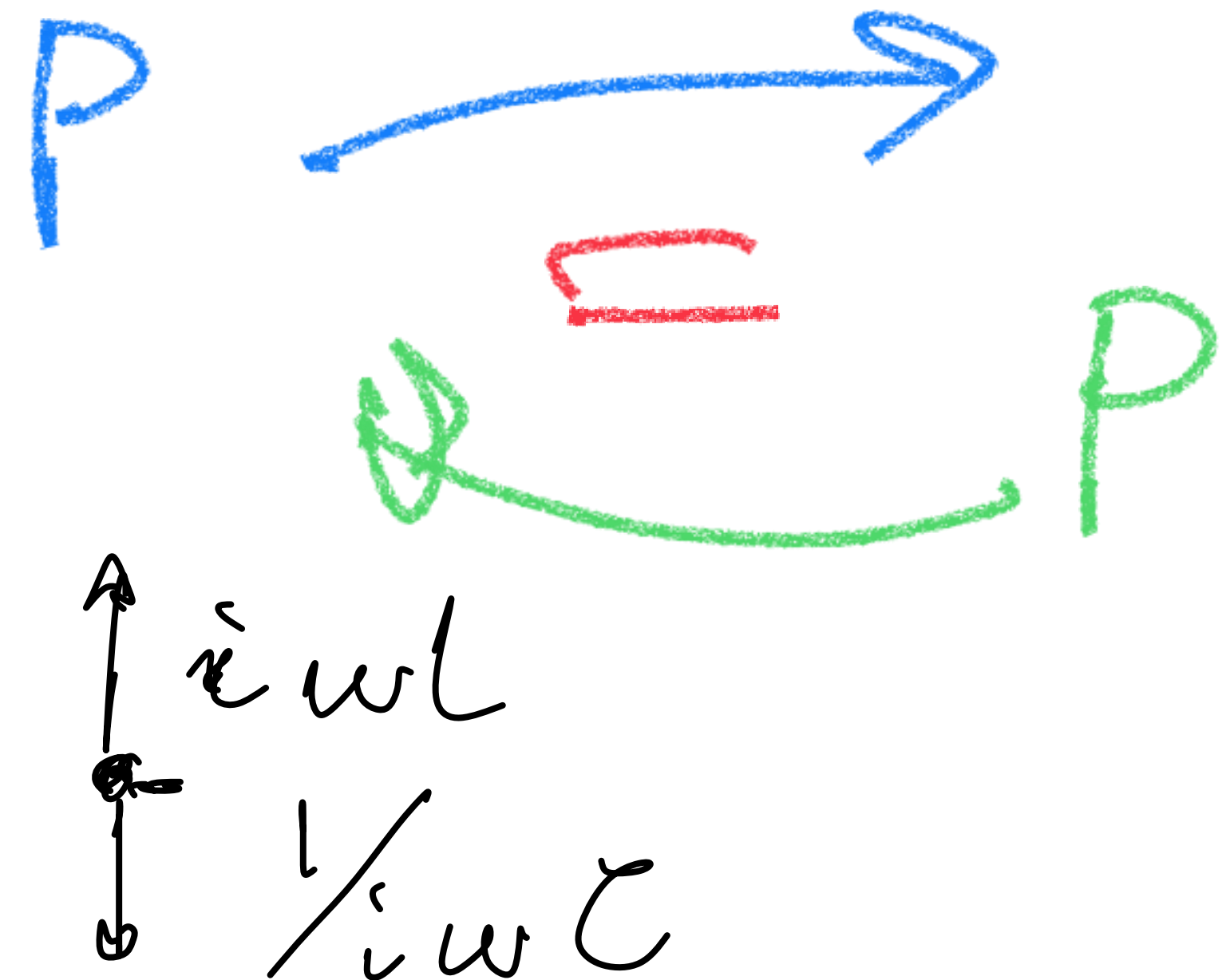
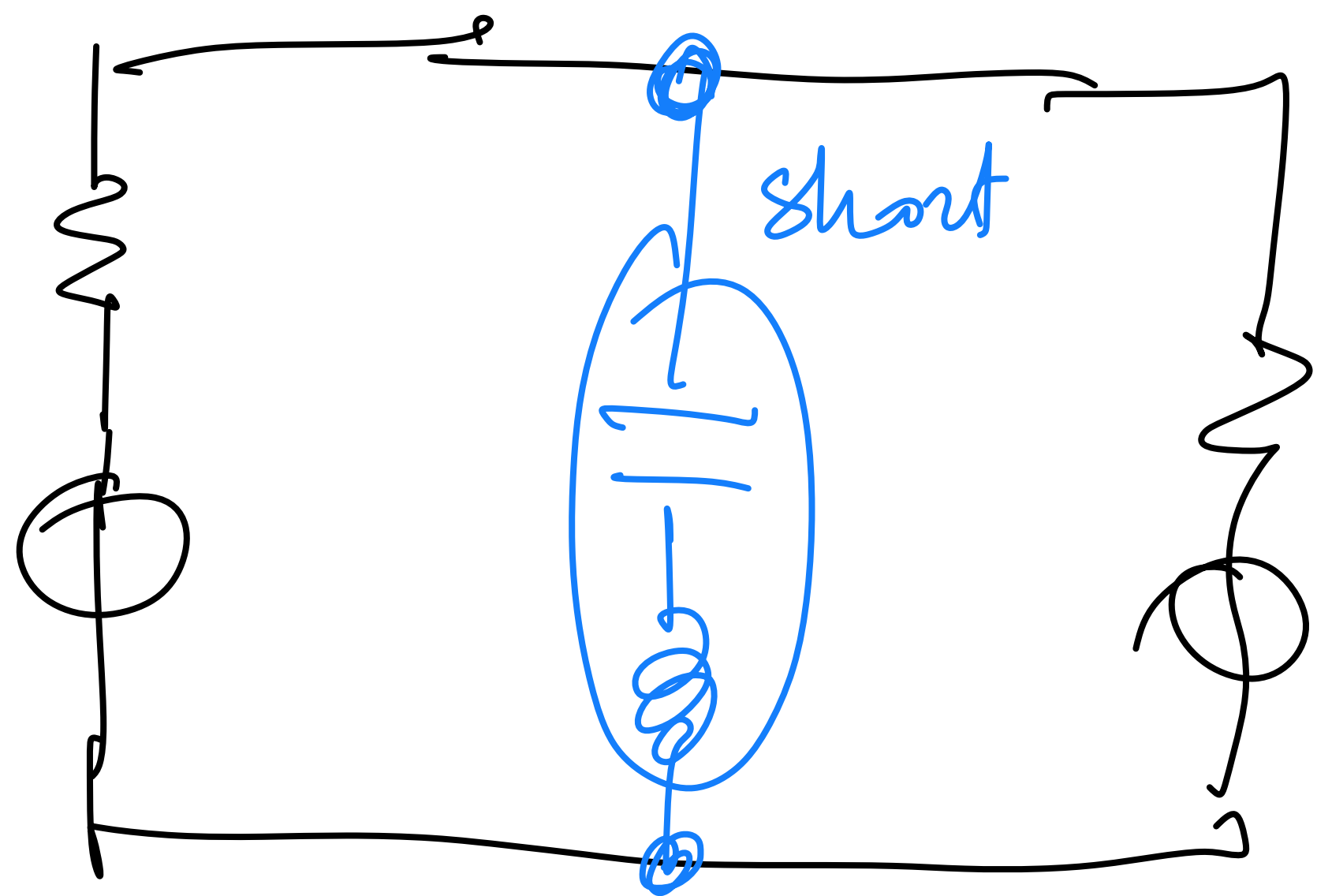
$$E^2 d\nu = 4RkT d\nu$$

(1)

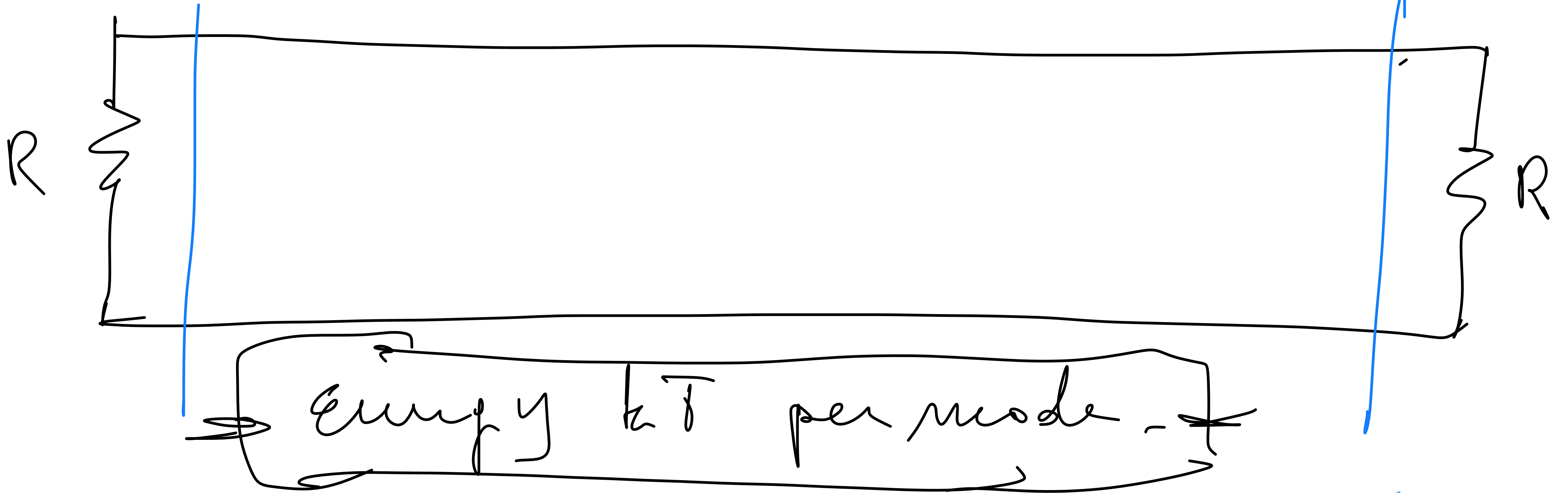
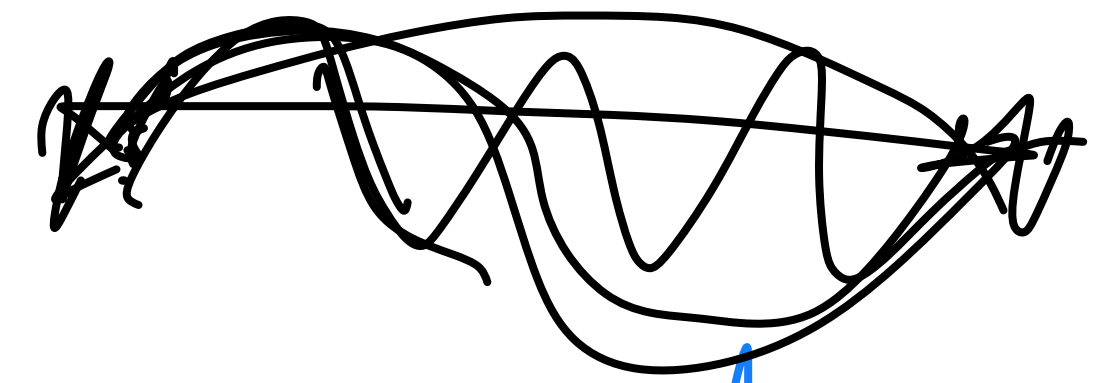
E^2 is the square voltage



2nd principle of
the nodal analysis



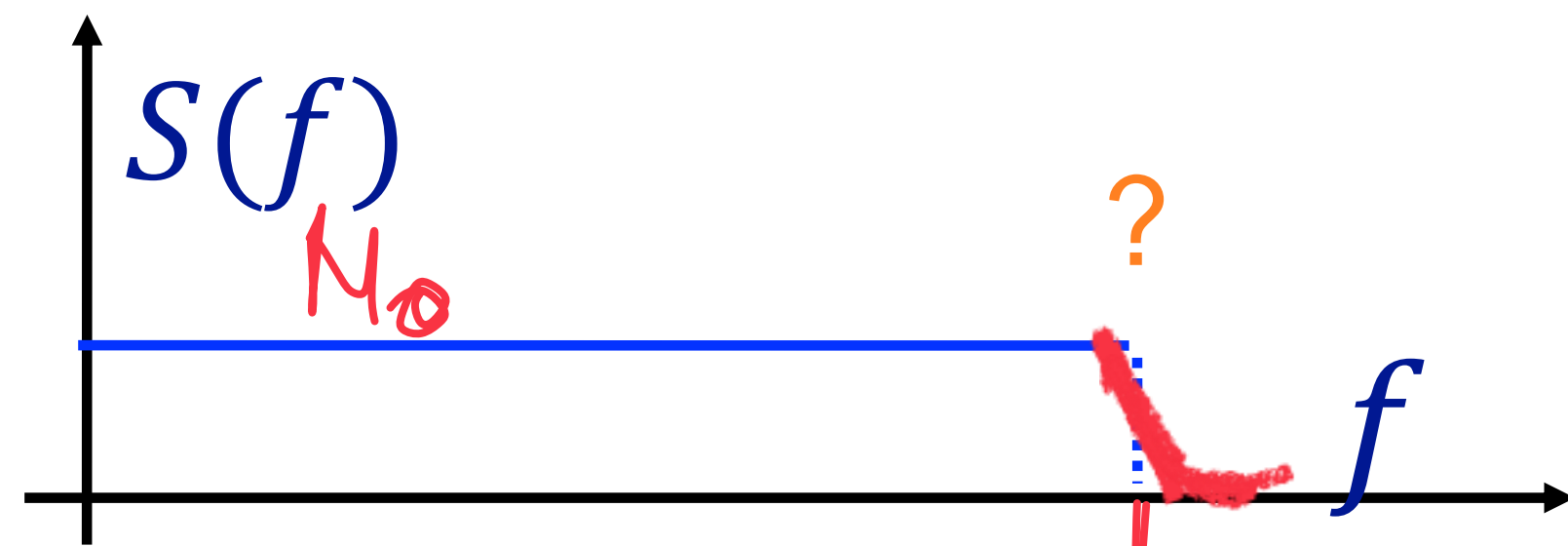
since $Z_0 = R$



$$S_v = 4kTR$$

$\langle v^2 \rangle$ over
1 Hz bandwidth

Cutoff Frequency



$$P = \int_a^b S(f) df$$

$$P < \infty$$

$$a \rightarrow 0$$

$$b \rightarrow \infty$$

$$hf = kT$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} kT$$

accelerated charge
per degree of
freedom

$$E = hf$$

Planck

accelerated electron \rightarrow photon

$$E_{\text{photon}} < E_{\text{electron}}$$

$$E_{\text{electron}}$$

$$f_c = \frac{kT}{h}$$

$$f_c = \frac{kT}{h} \quad \frac{k}{h} = 2.29 \times 10^{10}$$

$$22.9 \text{ GHz/K}$$

$$k = 1.380649 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

$$h = 6.02607015 \times 10^{-34} \text{ W/Hz}$$

[T⁻¹]

$$300 \text{ K}$$

$$\approx 7 \text{ THz}$$

$$\approx 10 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\text{CO}_2$$

$$\text{electromagn}$$

$$< 200 \text{ GHz}$$

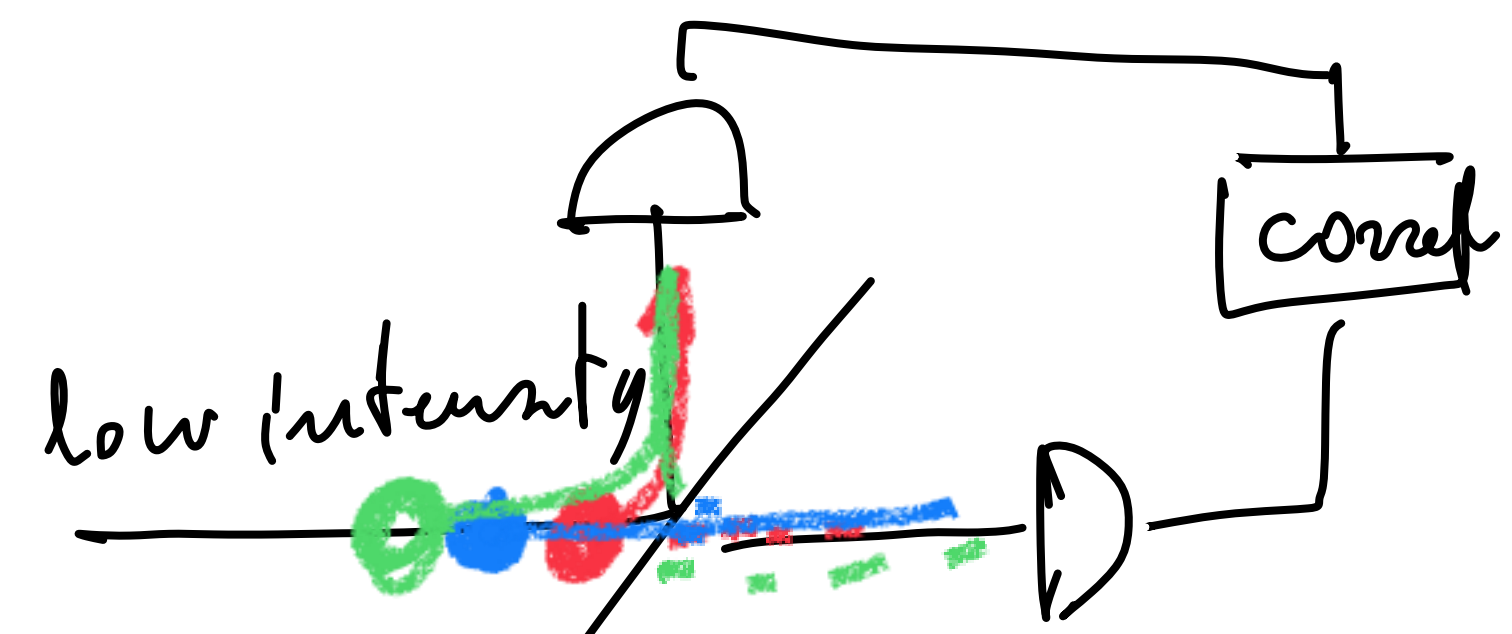
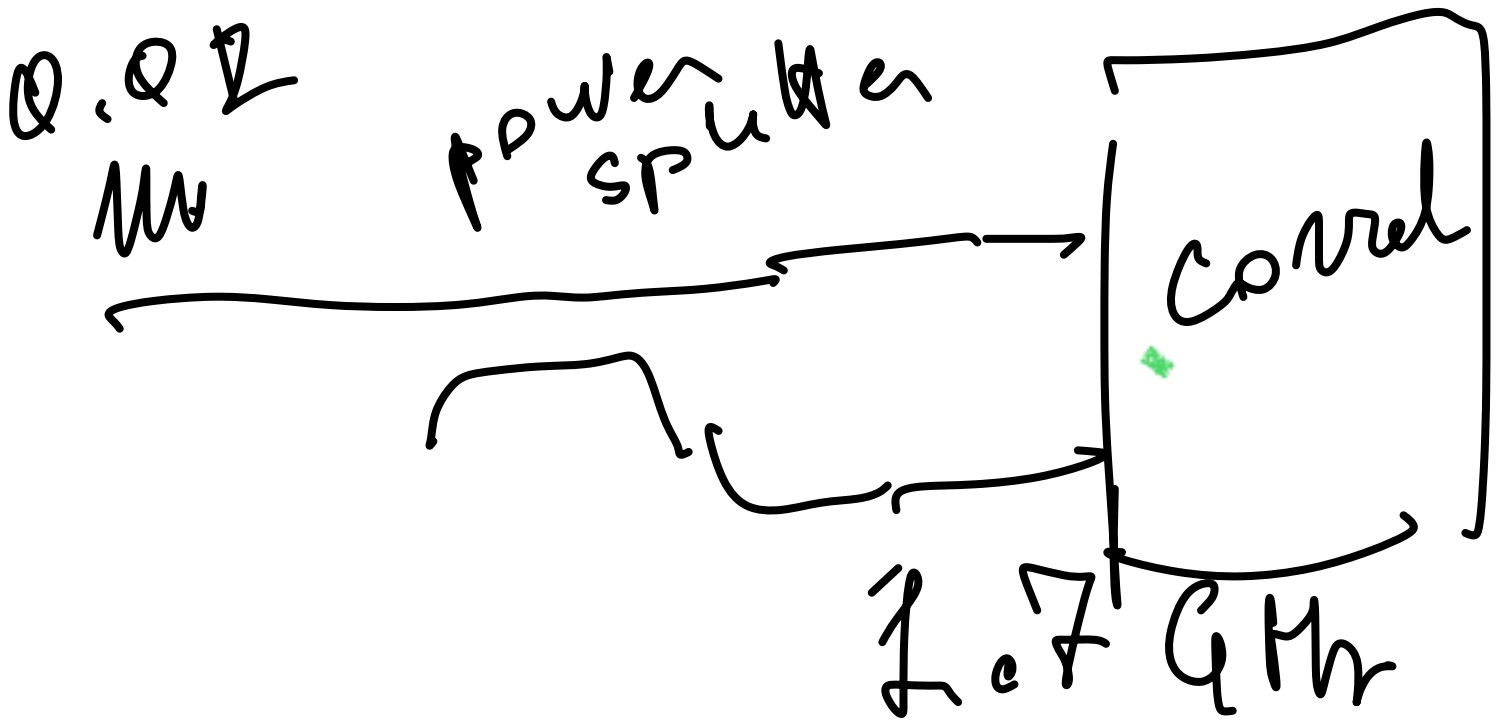
C
γ_{CS}
N_A
K_{ed}

T = 4.2 K liquid He
0.01 K ³He/⁴He

$$200 \text{ THz}$$

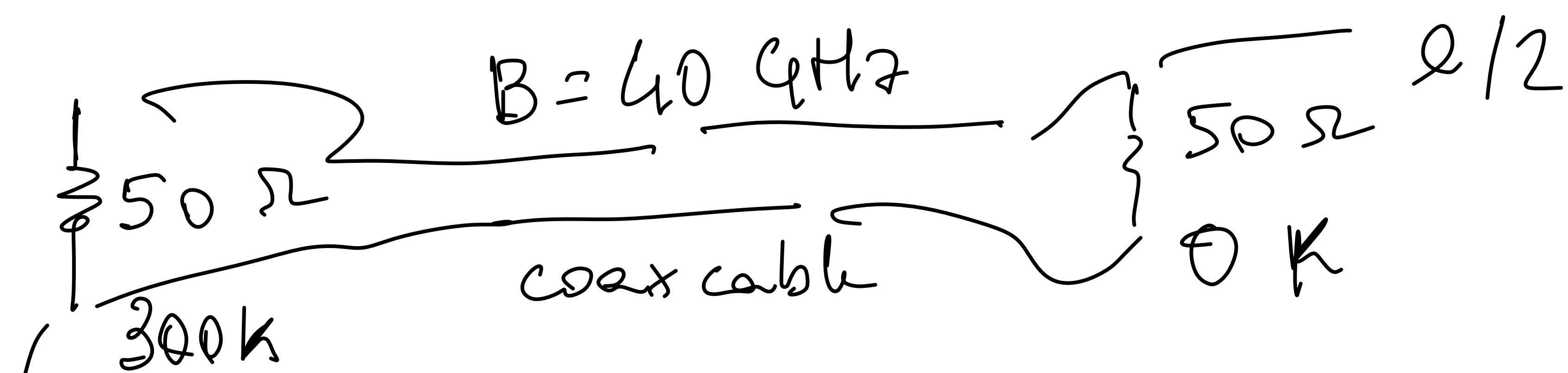
Dilution

Christian Glattli



Hambury, Brown - Twiss

Calculate the total power transferred from a resistor at $T_2 = 290 \text{ K}$ to a cold ($T_1 = 0 \text{ K}$)⁴⁹



$P = ?$

$$e = \sqrt{4kTR}$$

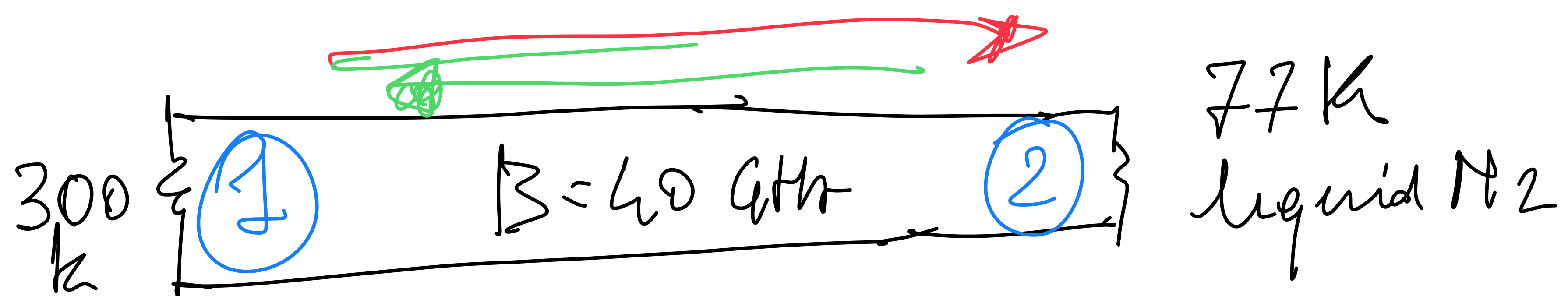
$$P = kTB$$

$$4 \times 10^{-21} \times 4 \times 10^{10}$$

$$= 1.6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ W}$$

$$160 \text{ pW}$$

available $= \sqrt{kTR}$
 the voltage in
 max-transferred-power
 conditions

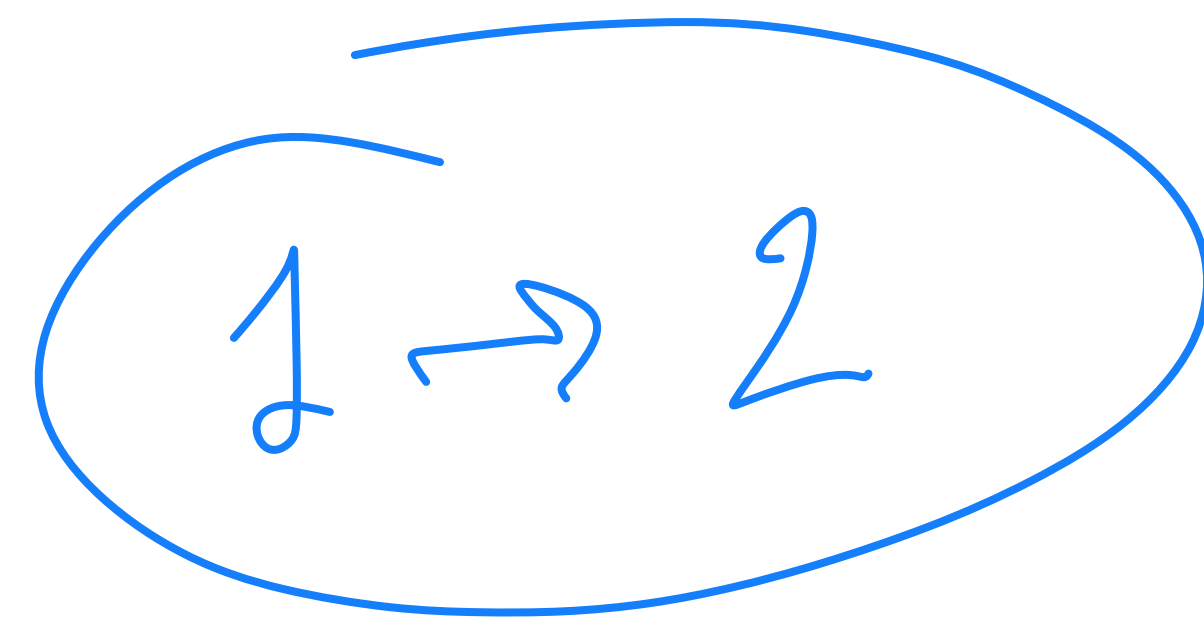


$$P_{1 \rightarrow 2} = k T_1 B$$

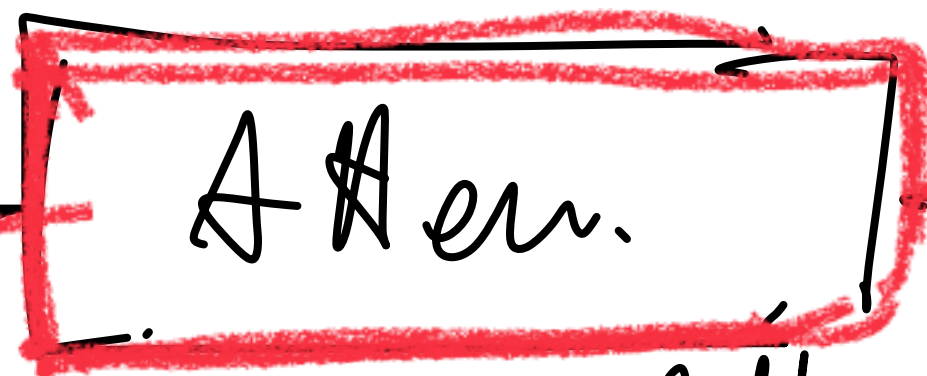
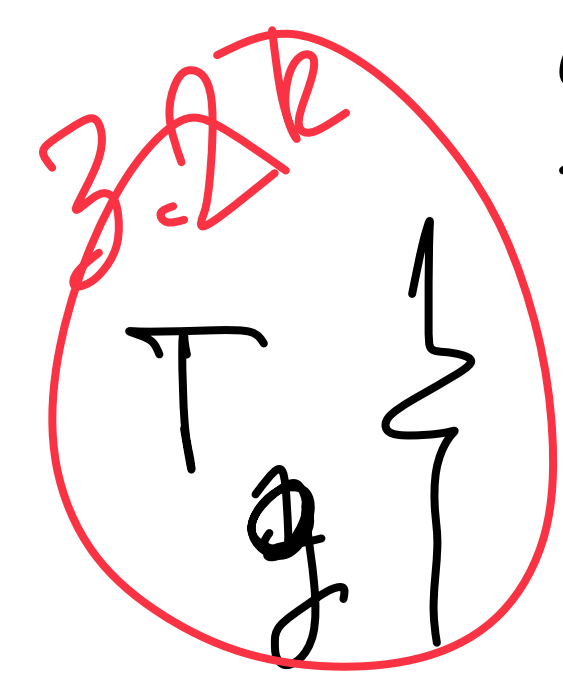
$$P_{2 \rightarrow 1} = k T_2 B$$

$$P = k (T_1 - T_2) B$$

$$300 - 77$$



50 Ω every when $|A|^2 \ll 1$



Γ_a , voltage gain A

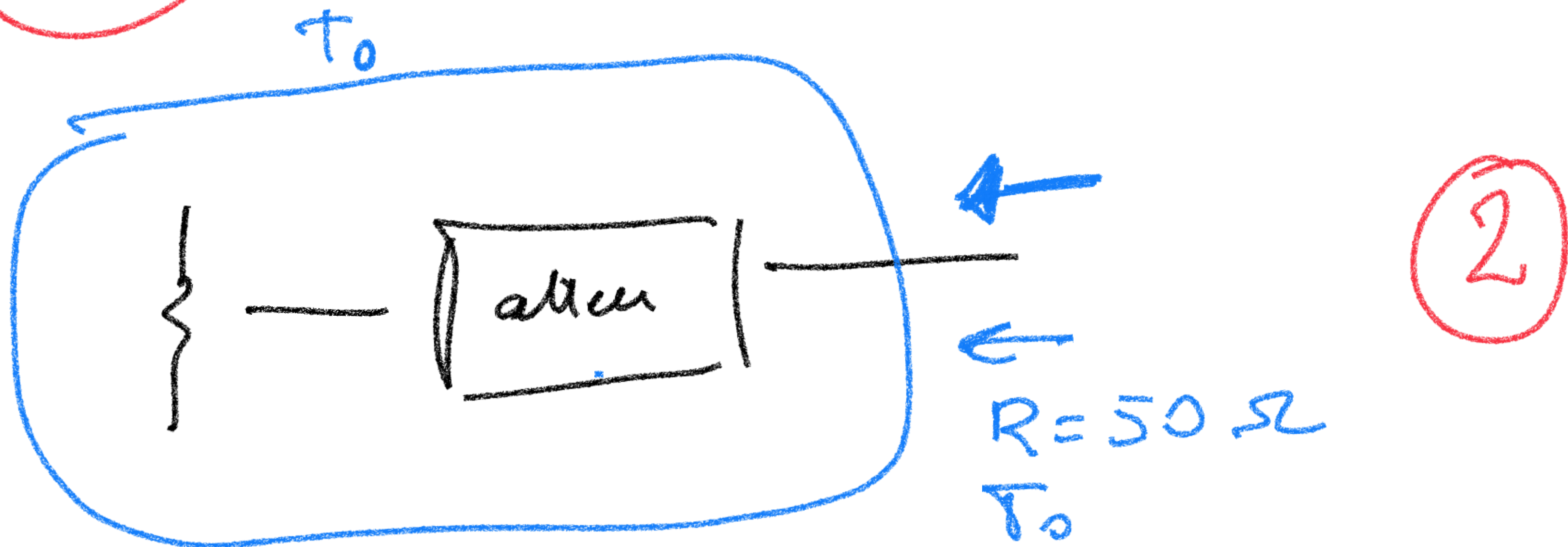
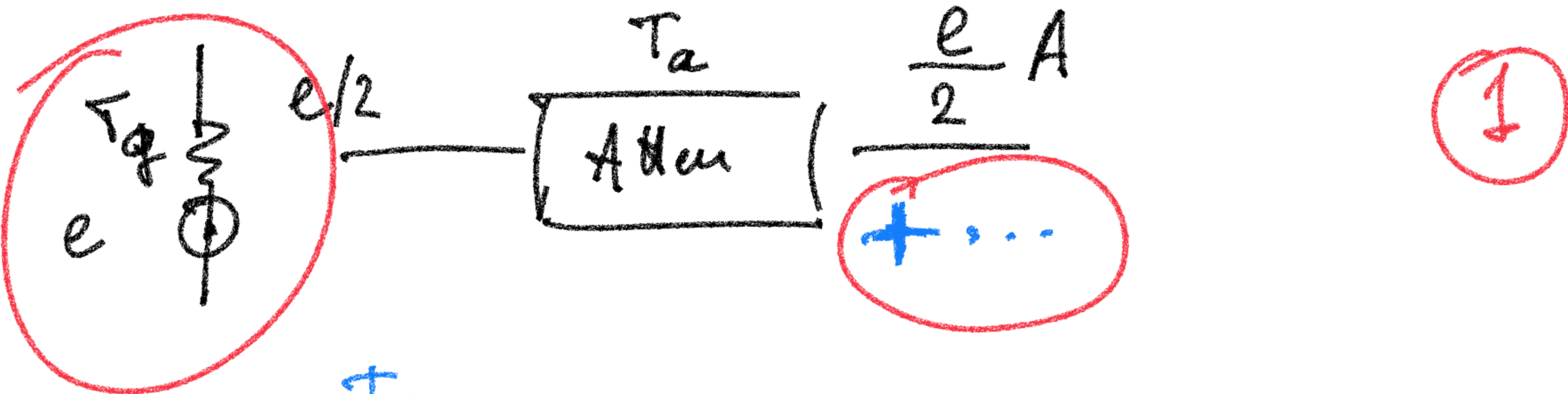
← Noise ?

~~Air vacuum~~



Ampli

Losses



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#10 Thursday, October 22, 2020

1.5 Hours

Meaning / Usefulness

big power
3.2k

black body radiation

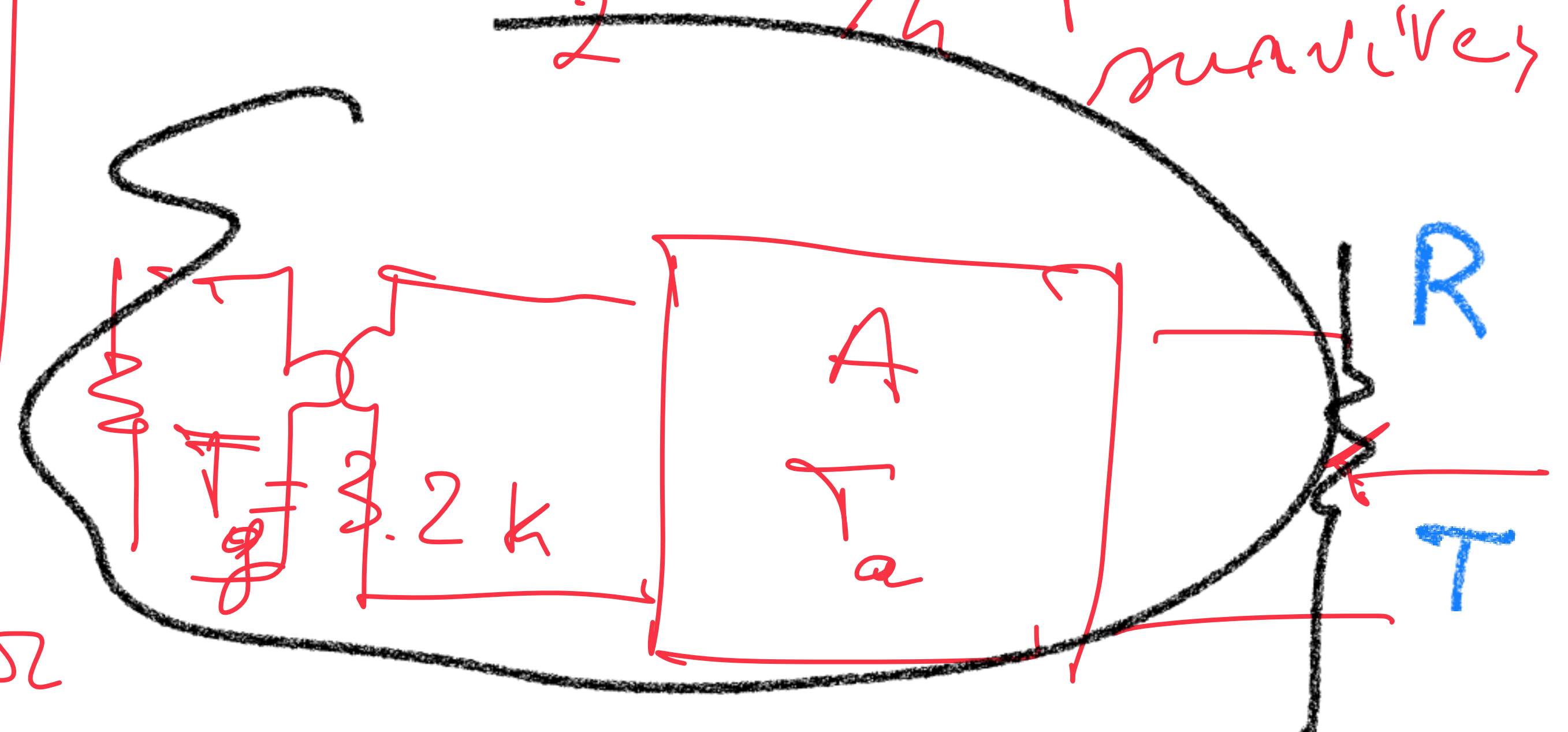
Resistive loss

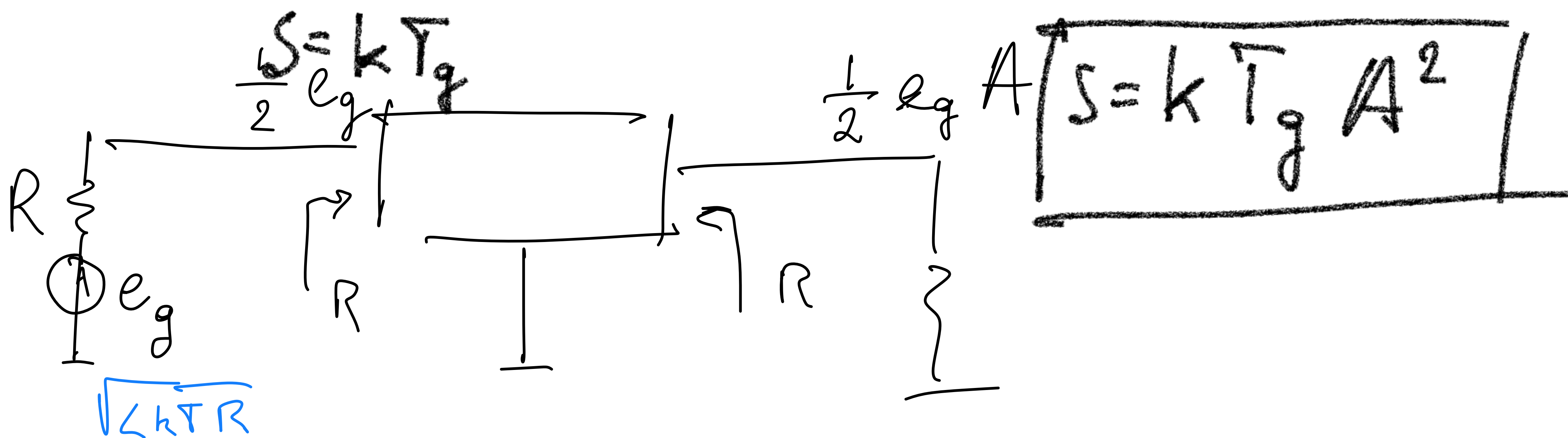
"rotator factor"
 $A^2 < 1$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}$$

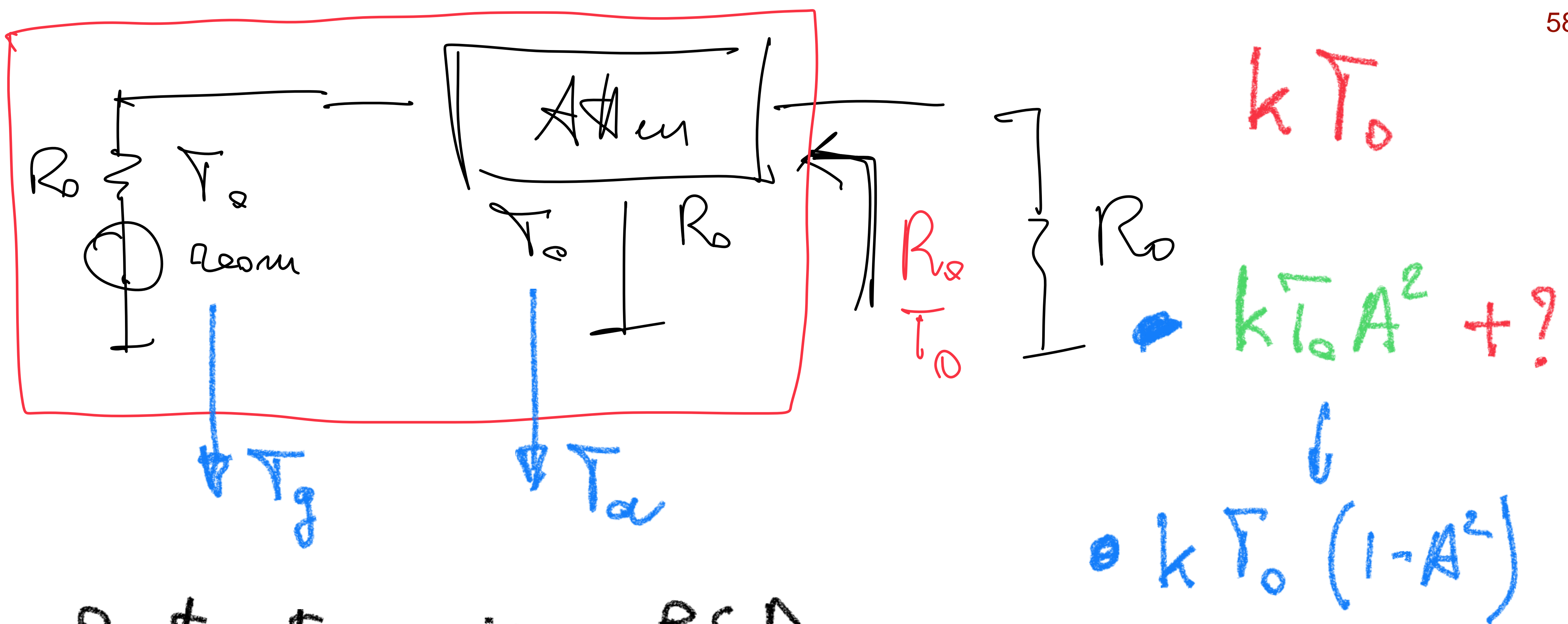
1/4 power survives

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = 377 \Omega$$





The attenuator does not know the nature of e_g .
 e_g is attenuated as any signal



Output noise PSD

$$kT_g A^2 + kT_a (1-A^2)$$

$A^2 \rightarrow 1$ low loss

$$\Gamma_{out} \approx \Gamma_g$$

$A^2 \rightarrow 0$

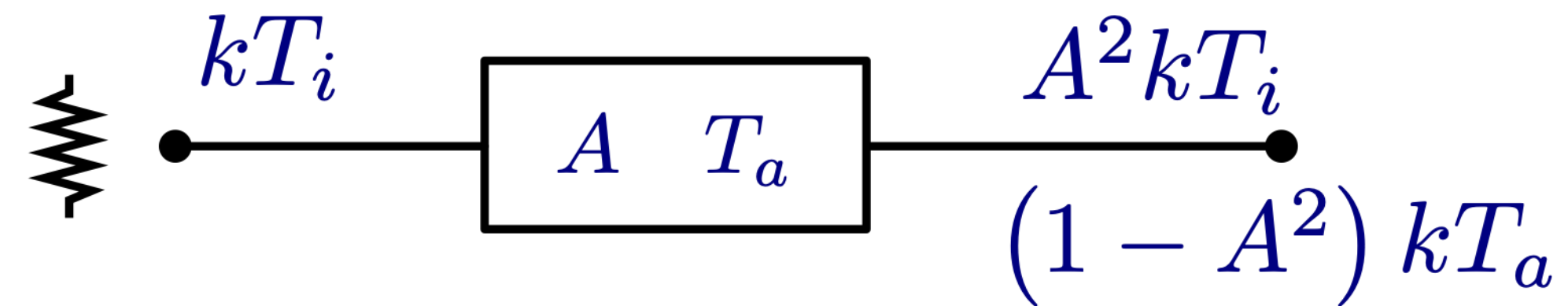
high loss

$$\Gamma_{out} \approx \Gamma_p$$

Noise under test \rightarrow signal

Noise of the instrument \rightarrow Noise
(atten., amplifier, ADC)

Thermal Noise of a Dissipative Device



$$S(f) = A^2 kT_i + (1 - A^2) kT_a$$

upper case
 T_a

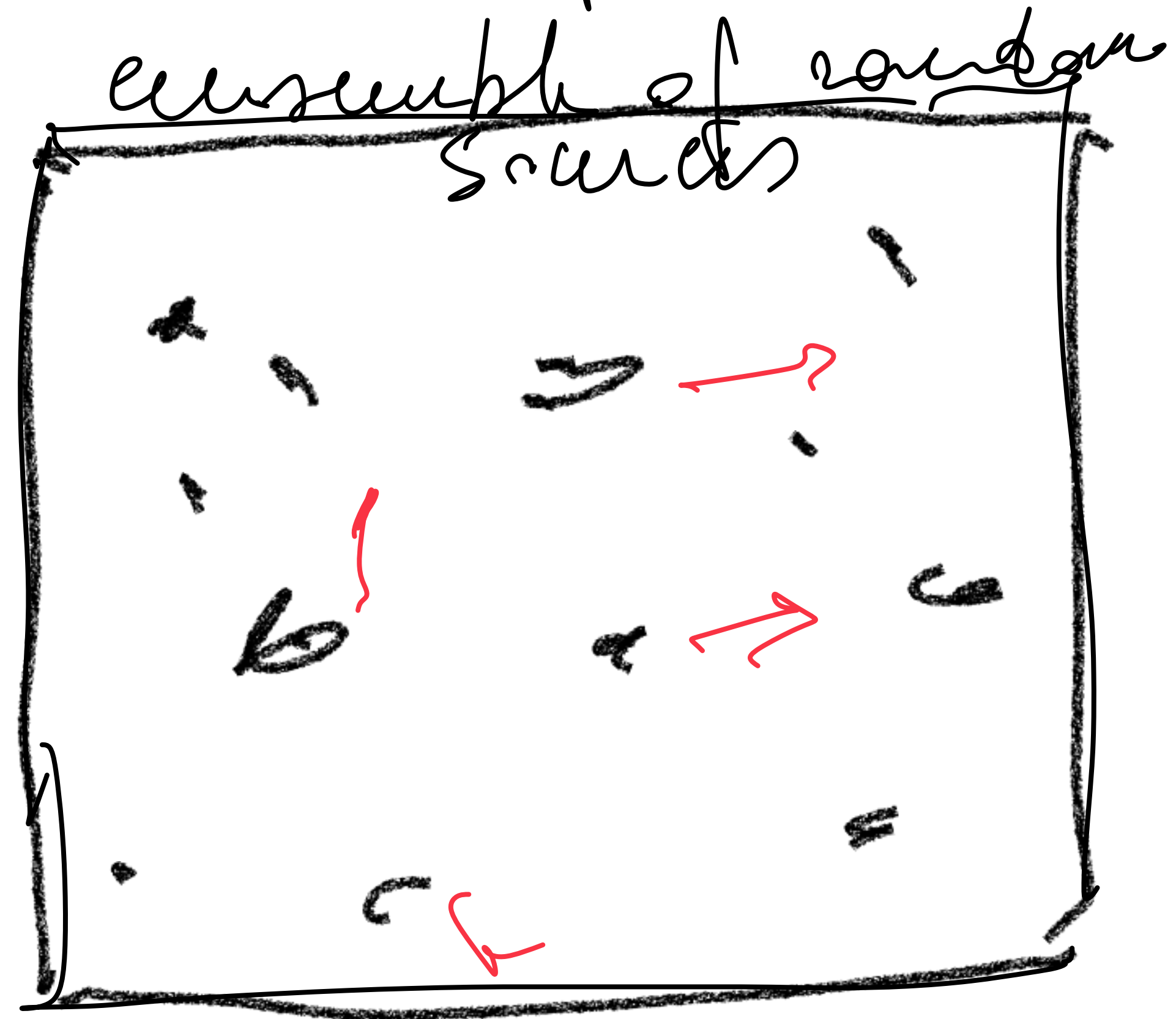
- Noise contribution of the input resistor
 - The attenuator makes no difference between “noise” and “signal”
 - The input signal is “amplified” by a factor $A^2 < 1$
- Noise contribution of the attenuator
 - At uniform temperature T the sum of the contributions must be kT
 - The input contributes $A^2 kT$
 - The attenuator contributes the complement $(1 - A^2) kT$
- The factors $A^2 kT$ and $(1 - A^2) kT$ do not depend on temperature

Shot Noise

- Poisson process: emission at random time
 - No space correlation, no time correlation
 - Exponential PDF, $p = \exp(-at)$
 - Variance equals average, $\sigma^2 = \mu$ Stream of electrons
- Applies to any kind of events: radioactive decay, photons, atoms, chemical reaction, whatever
- Photon stream, $P = \Phi E$, $E = hf = hc/\lambda$
- Current
 - Average $\langle I \rangle = q\Phi$
 - PSD $S_I(f) = 2q\langle I \rangle$
- White noise, cutoff frequency
- Example: photocurrent

Material
energy
charge
←
quantized

Poisson Process



- radioactivity
- chemical reaction
- emission of thermal photons
- electrons in vacuum lamp / diode, transistor /

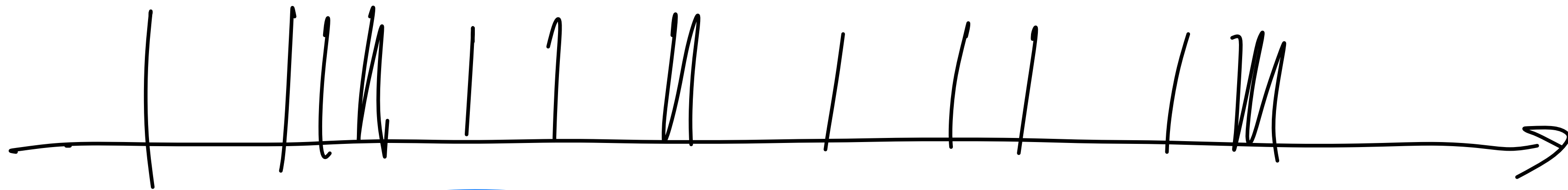
emission
 = random time
 = no memory

PDF e^{-at}

a avg no of
 particle in a
 unit of time

n cells

$$\Phi = a n$$



$$\mu = \sigma^2$$

Mean current
variance per
electron μ .

F: Vermulte

electrons

q

$$2 q^2 \phi$$

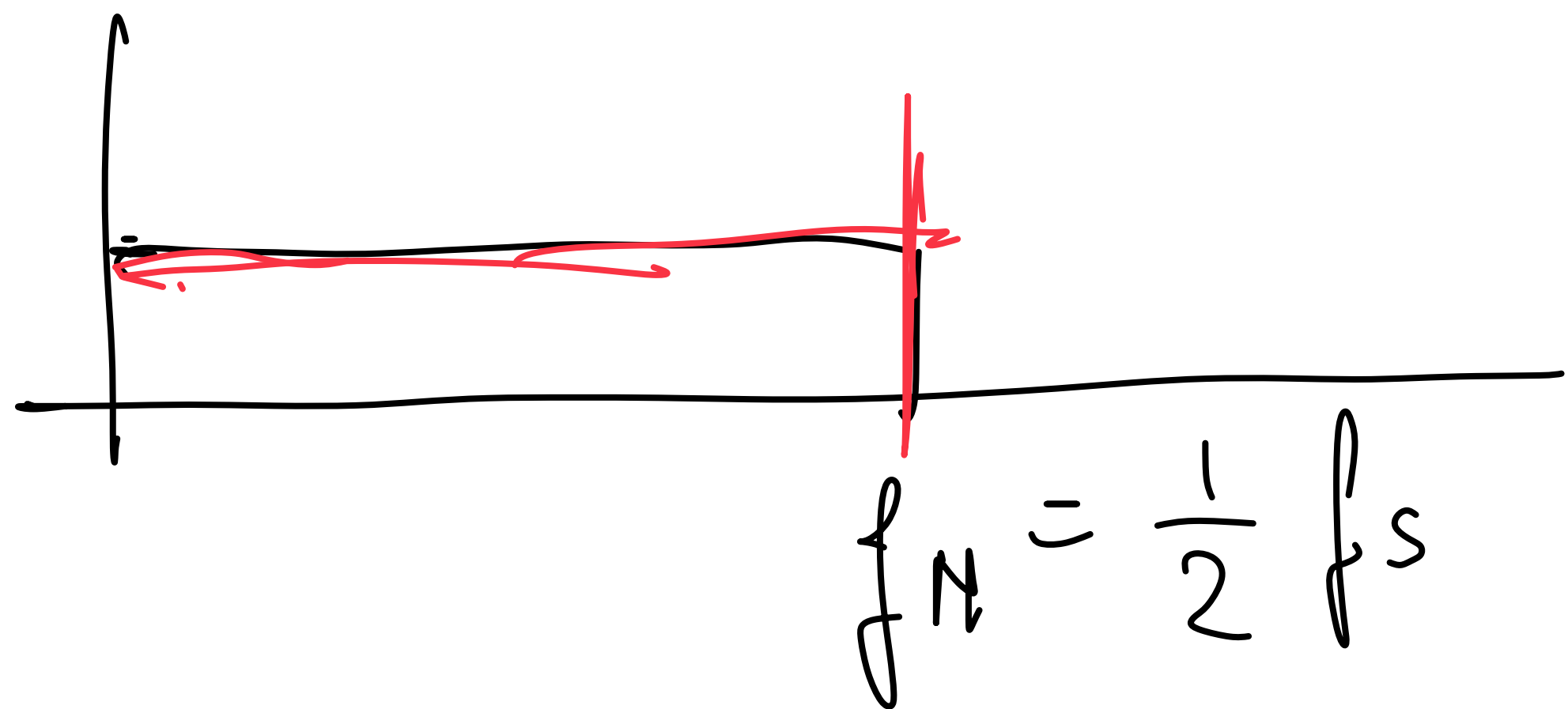
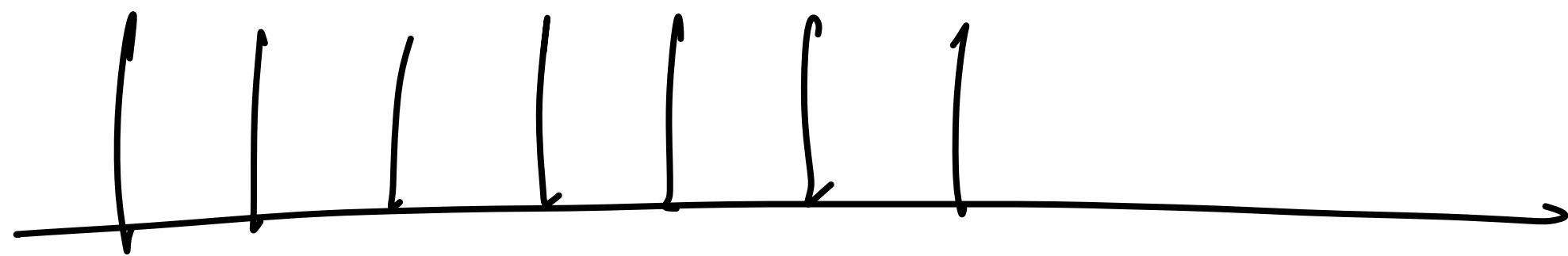
$$S_I = 2q \langle I \rangle$$

$$A^2/Hz$$

White noise

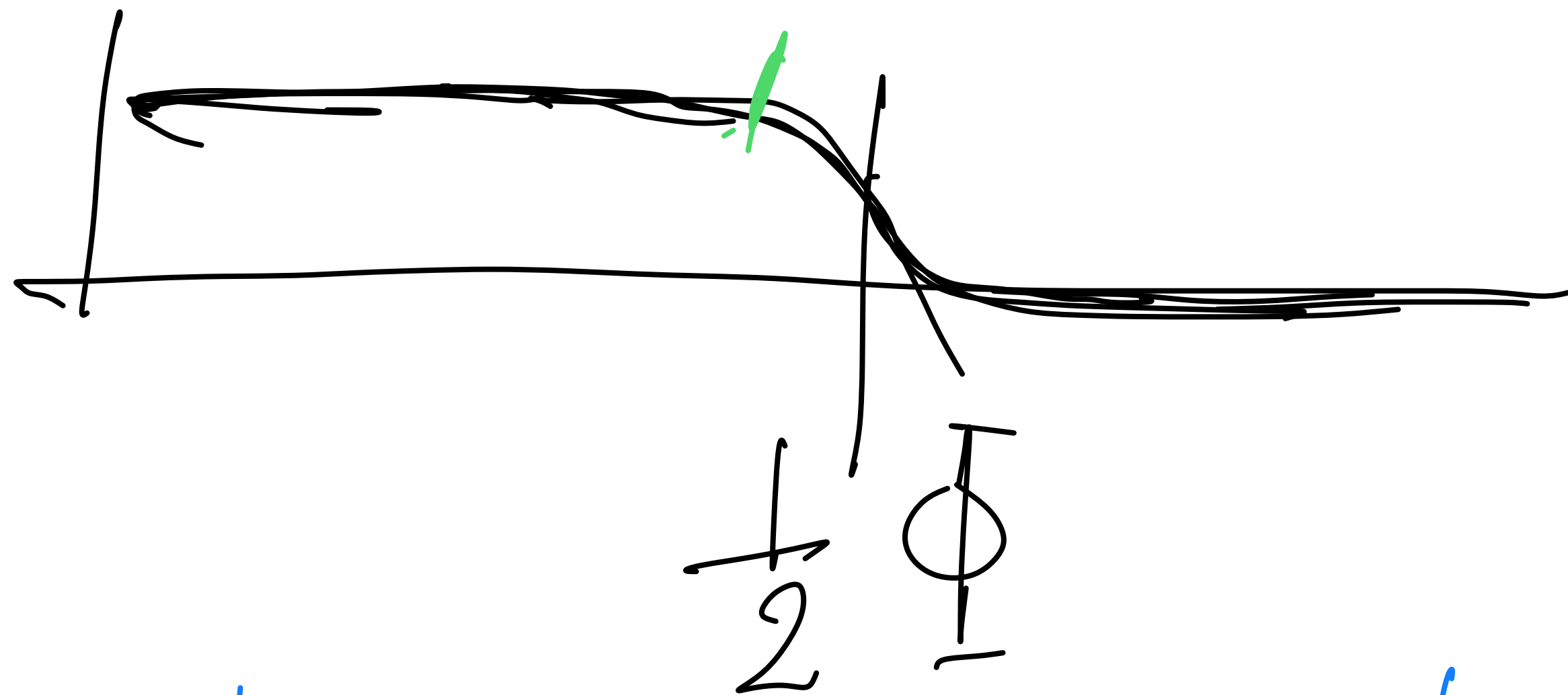
no of particle
per second

Coherent sampling



Several Nyquist zones

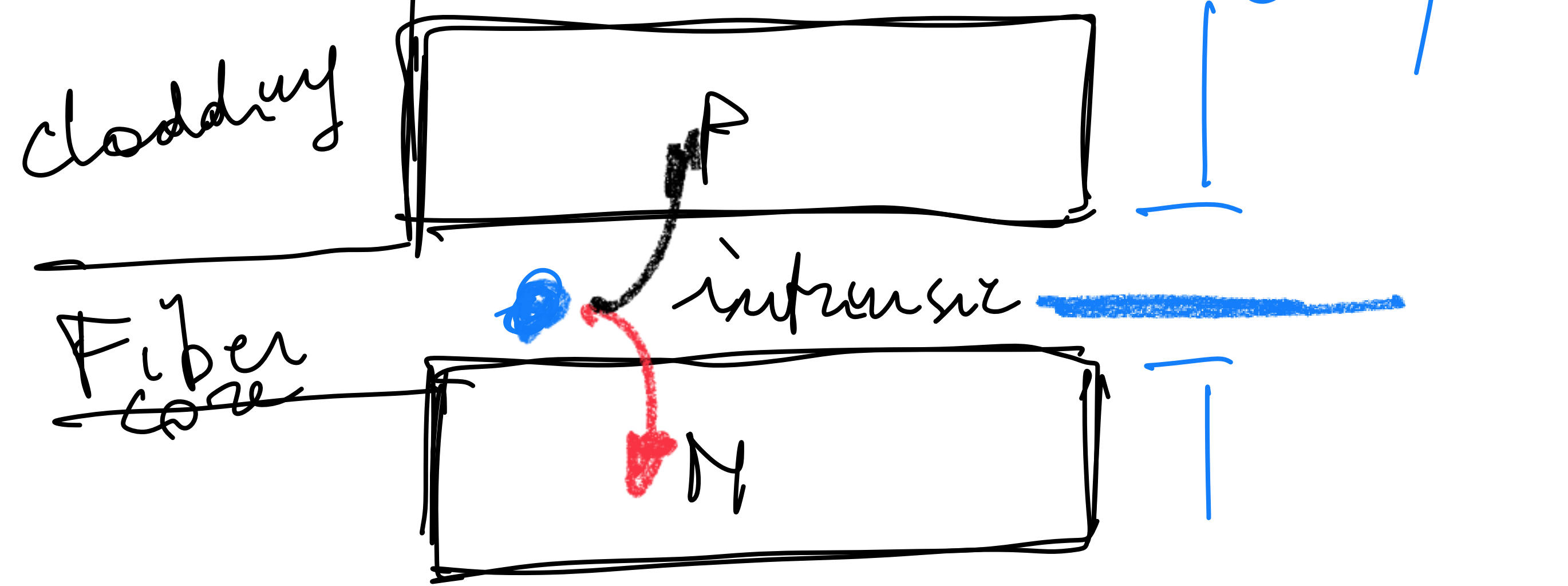
Random sampling



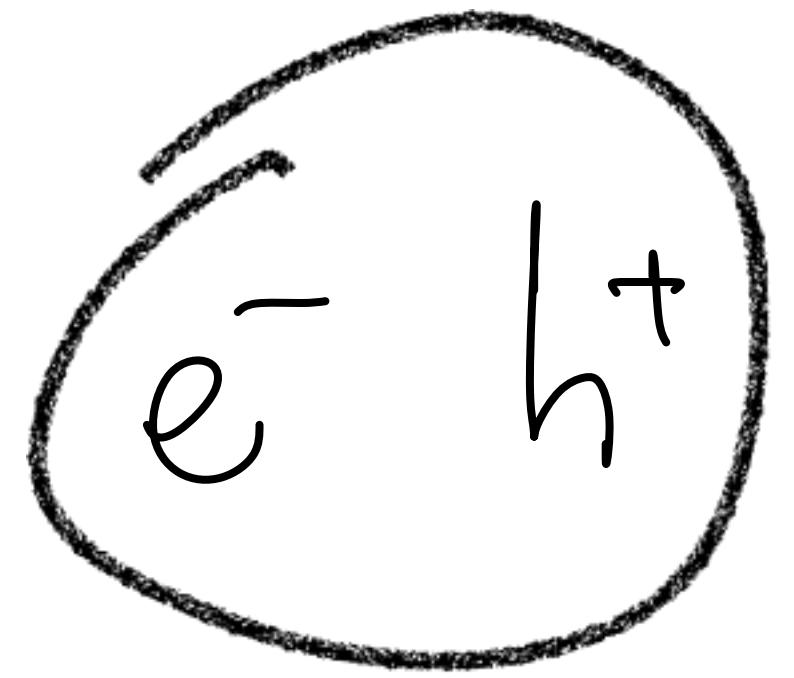
The term "Nyquist zone" has no meaning

Photodiode Noise

Fast diode
for 1550 nm Telecom



photon \rightarrow

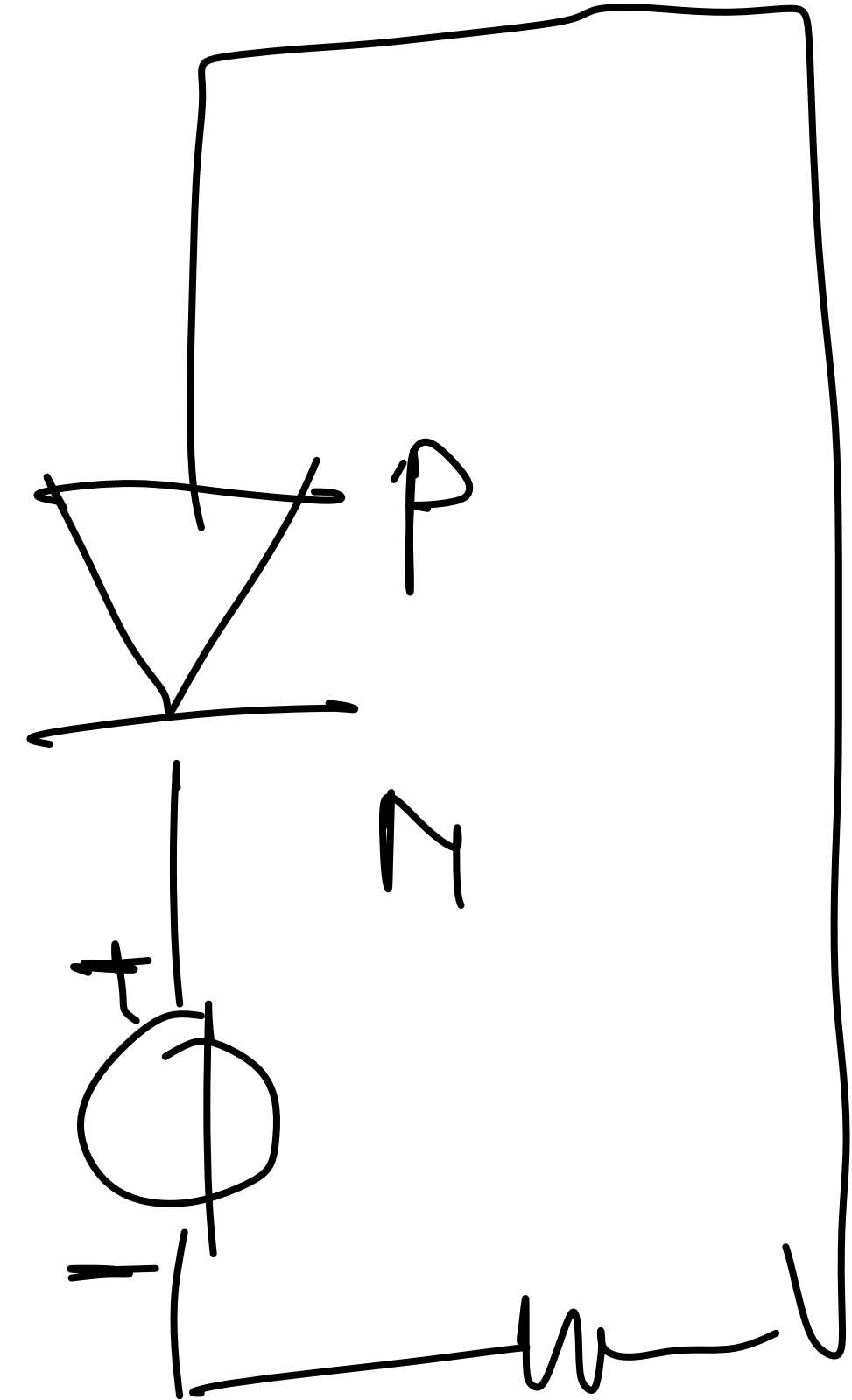


equiv. to

q

Raus
Theorem

absorption



Quantum efficiency

① misaligned input

② n misaligned
→ reflection

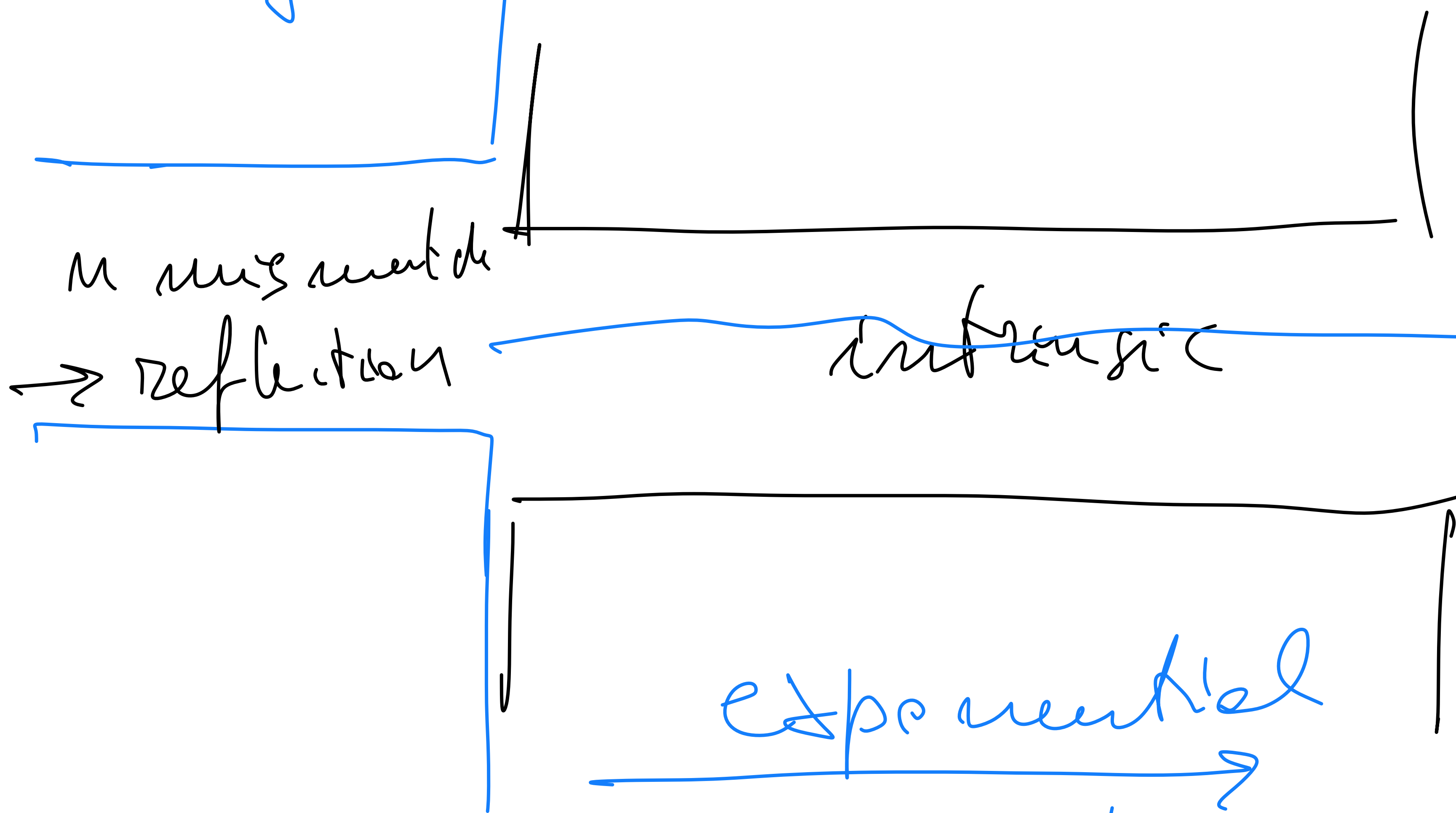
③ photons lost

quantum efficiency

$$I = \eta \Phi q$$

exponential

attenuation



$$P = 1 \mu\text{W}$$

$$\lambda = 1550 \text{ nm}$$

$$(f = 194 \text{ THz})$$

$$I = ?$$

$$S_I$$

$$\eta = 0.75$$

$$E = h f$$

$$\Phi = \frac{P}{E} = \frac{P}{h f} = \frac{P}{h c / \lambda}$$

$$\Phi = \frac{10^{-6}}{6.6 \times 10^{-34} \cdot 2 \times 10^{14}} = 7.8 \times 10^{13}$$

$$\langle I \rangle = \eta \Phi q = 9.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ A} = 94 \mu\text{A}$$

$$S_I = 2q \langle I \rangle = 3 \times 10^{-23} \text{ A}^2/\text{Hz}$$

$$(5.5 \text{ pA} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}})$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Signal} \propto P_{\text{opt}}^2 \\ \text{Noise} \propto P_{\text{opt}} \end{array} \right\}$$

threshold

End of Lecture
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#10

End of Lecture #10

#11 Thursday, November 5, 2020

1.5 Hours

Exam?

Presentiel ?

17 nov

16:30 - 18

(18:30)

Pour moi, en ligne

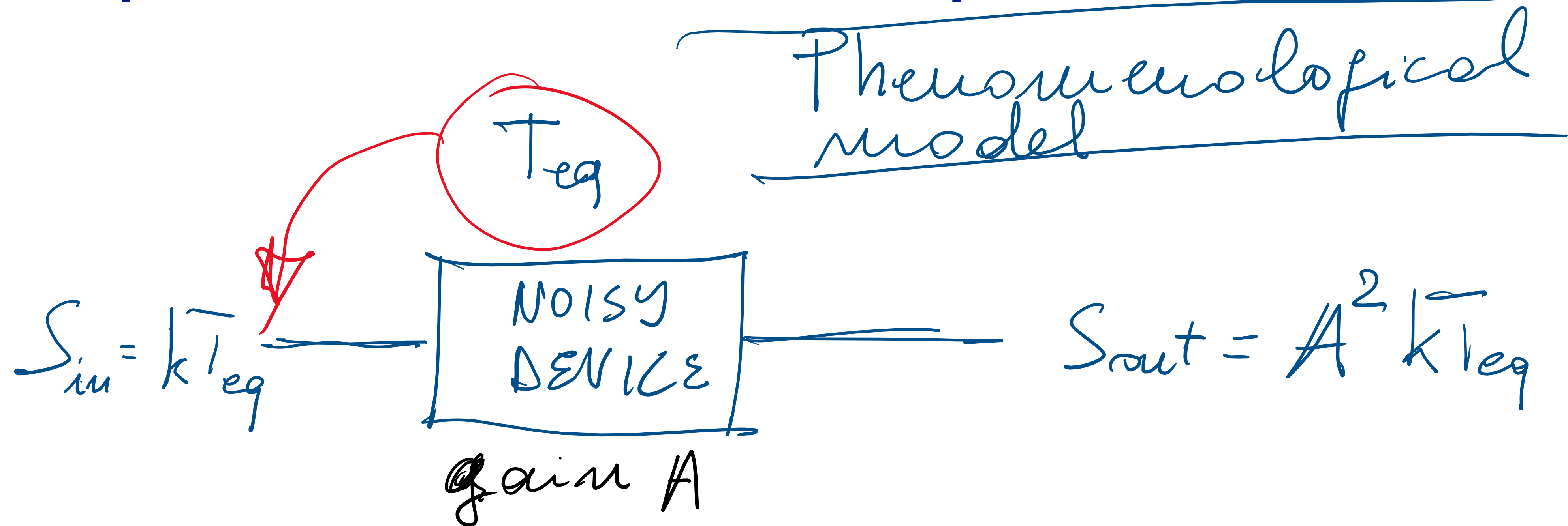
si

(et seulement si)

Vous avez une webcam

J'attends des instructions du
doyen

Equivalent Noise Temperature



T_{eq} → the noise referred to the input is

$$S(f) = k T_{eq} \quad (\text{thermal noise})$$

A = Voltage gain
 A^2 = power gain

Equivalent Noise Temperature

The case of an amplifier

$T_t =$ total noise at the input

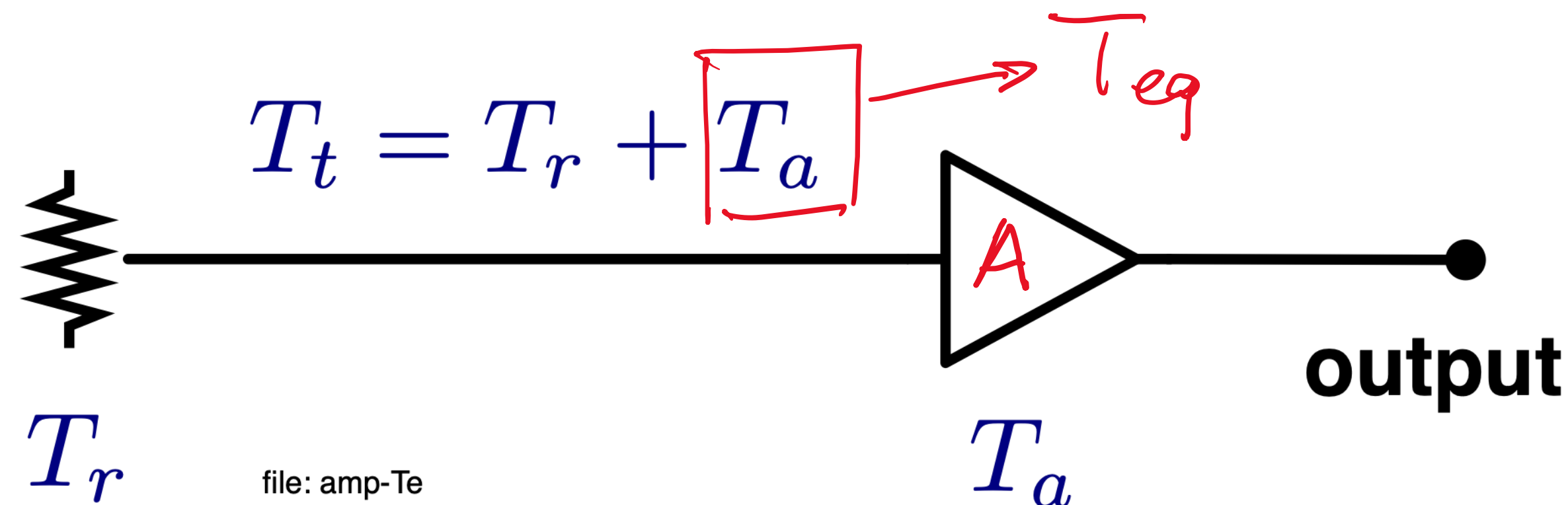
Thermal noise

$$S(\nu) = \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/kT}}$$

$$S(\nu) = N_t \quad \text{constant for } h\nu \ll kT$$

$$N_t = kT$$

kT
Physical dimension
 $W/Hz \equiv J$



$k(T_a + T_r)$

- Warning: the noise temperature a radio-engineering concept
 - The physical nature of noise does not matter
 - Often misleading in optics: the shot noise contributes to the equivalent temperature

Equivalent temperature

$$T_a \text{ defined by } N_t = k(T_a + T_r)$$

T_a is the equivalent noise temperature of the amplifier
defined in specified conditions (physical temperature and input resistance)

Adding Temperatures?

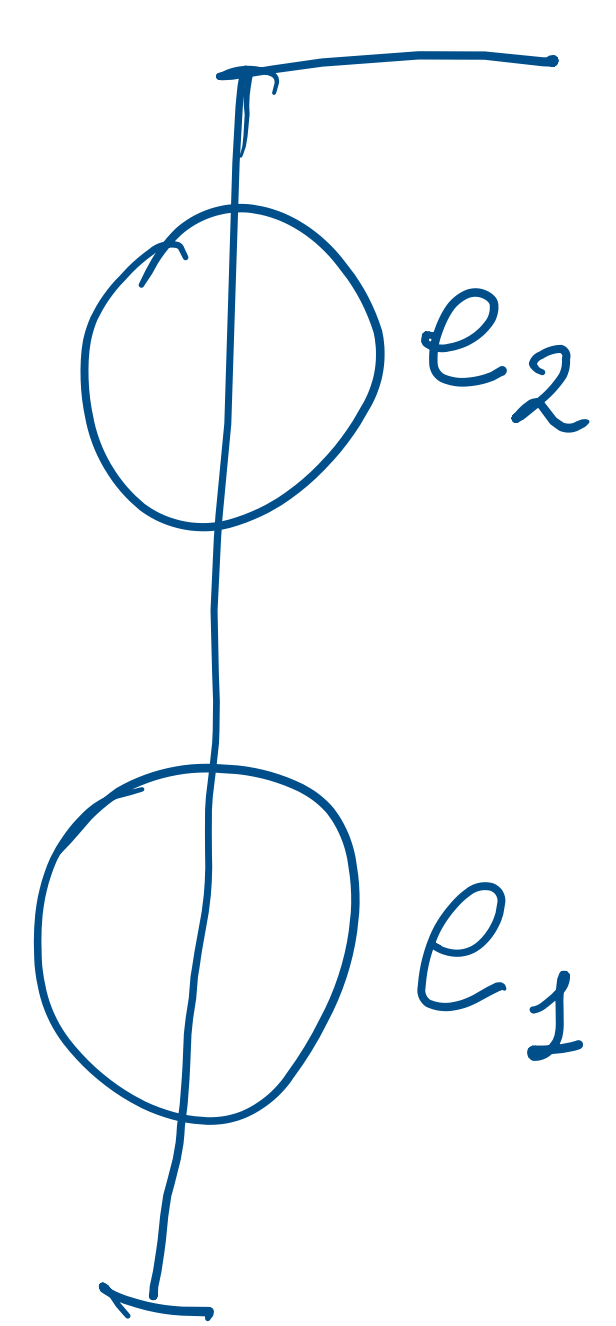
In general physics, we cannot add temperatures [intensive]

Electrical noise: T_{eq} is not a temperature in a strict sense

T_{eq} is a way to express the variance of a random process.

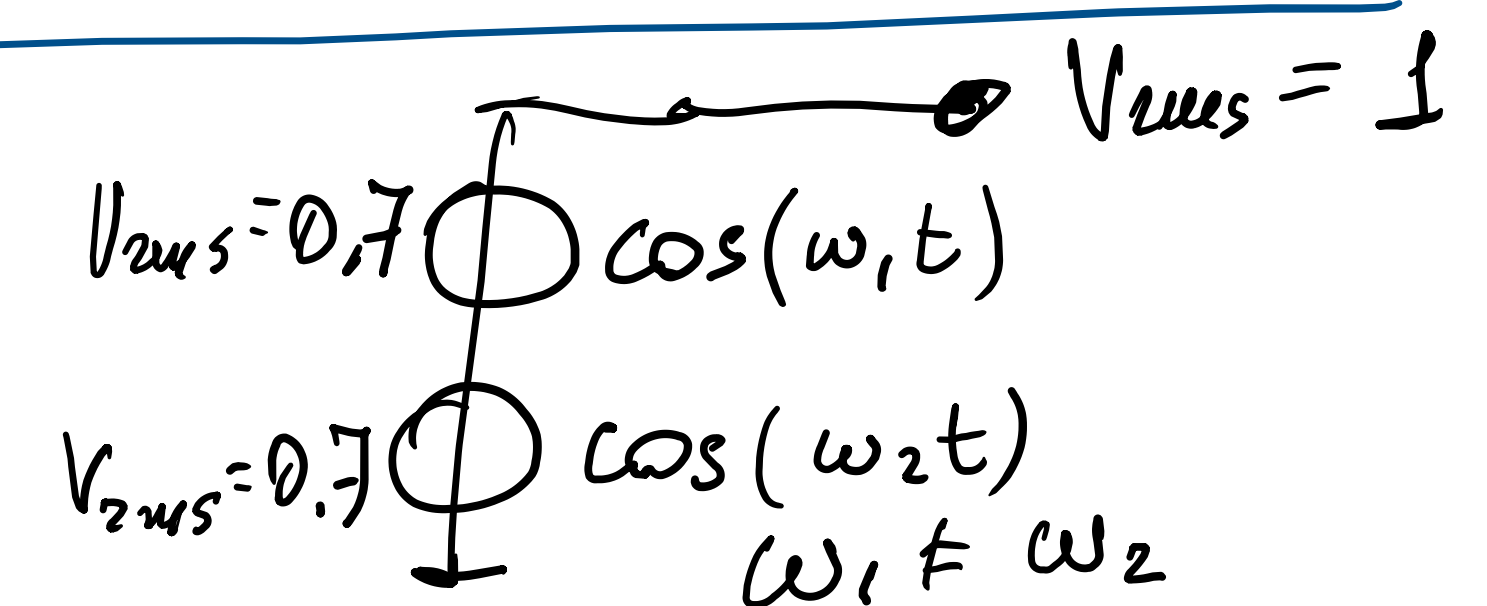
$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2$$

(statistically independent)

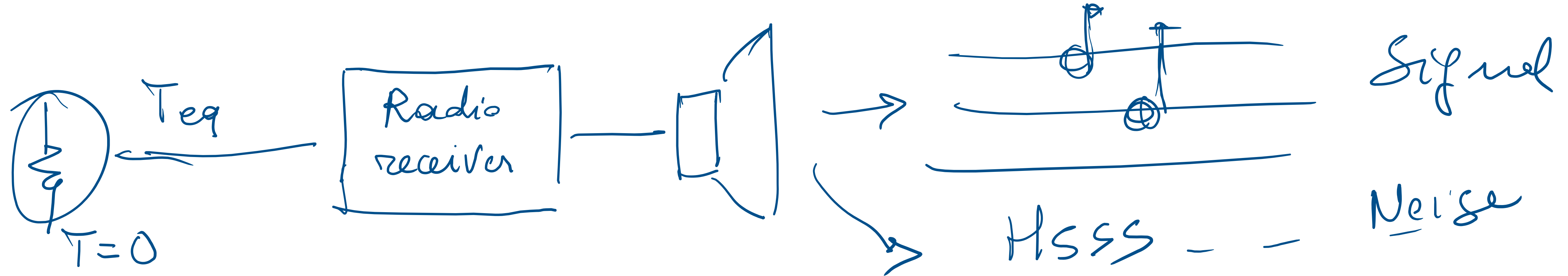


The necessary condition is weaker? uncorrelated signals

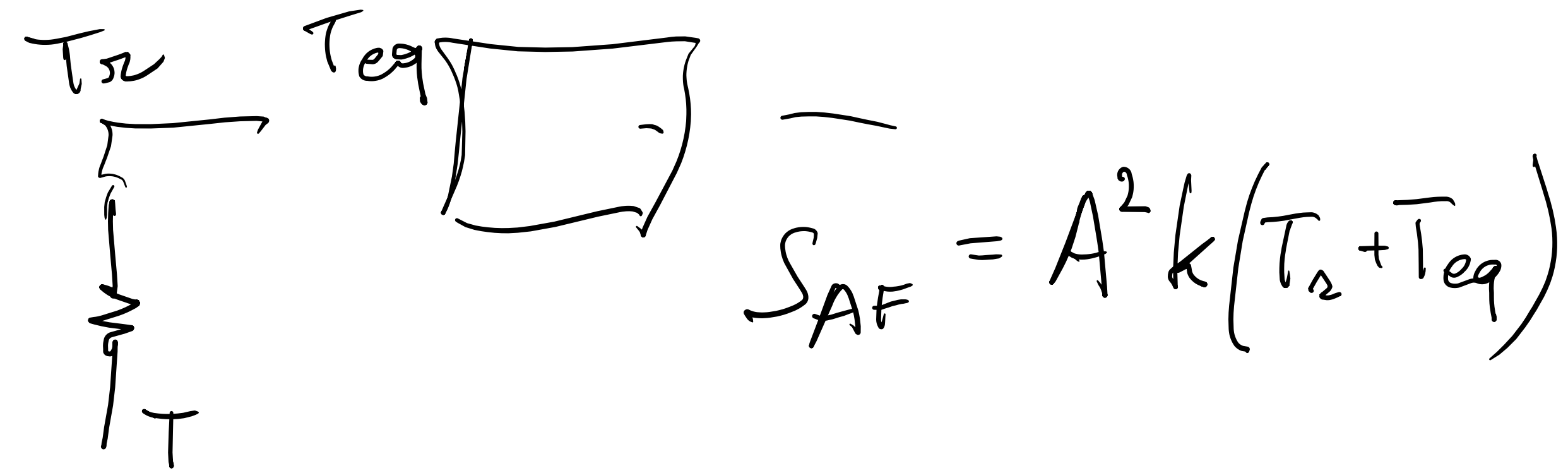
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$



T_{eq} Is A Radio-Engineering Concept



$$S_{AF} = A^2 k T_{eq}$$



(close to room temperature)

OPTICS
 Shot noise > Thermal noise
 T_{eq} includes both Thermal & Shot
 folks from optics are (sometimes) lost

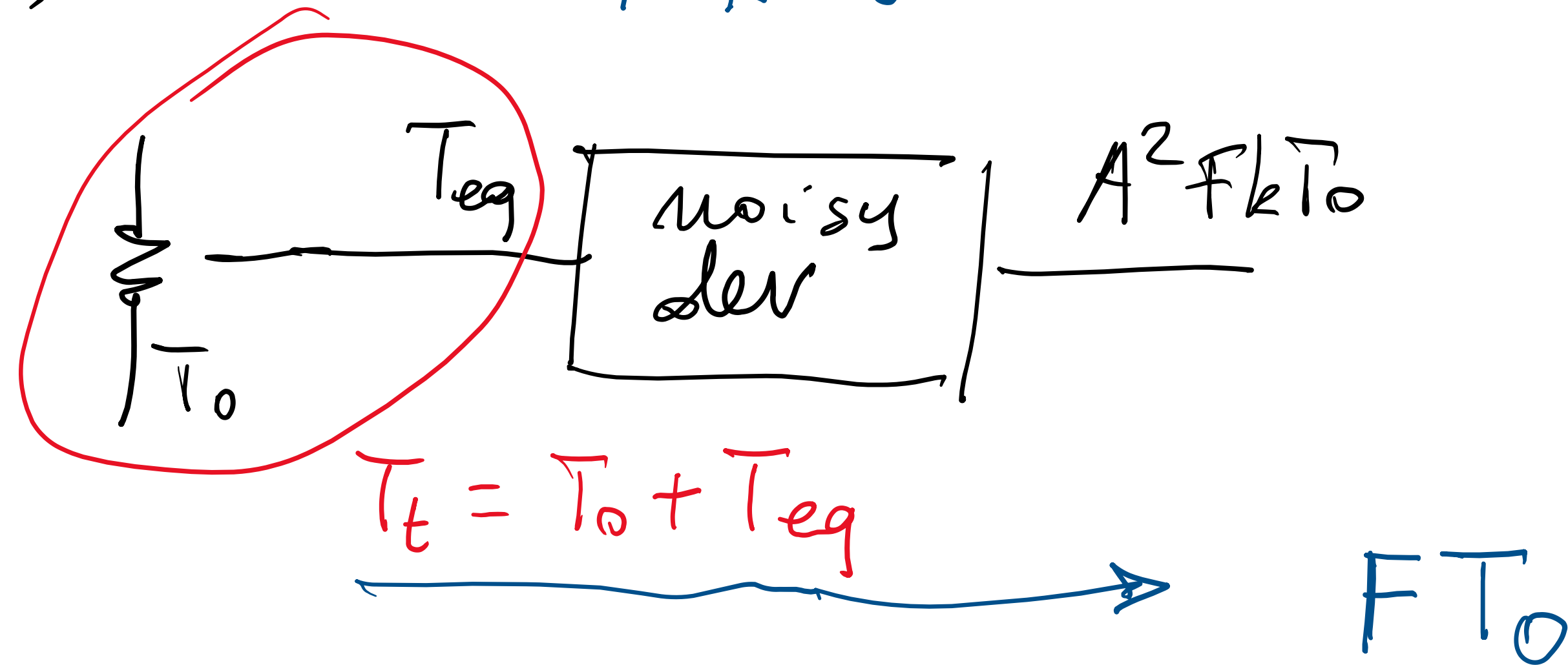
A warning to folks from optics

Noise Factor

Most practical cases

$$T \sim T_{\text{room}} \\ (10 - 25 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C})$$

Total noise
 $F k T_0$



Reference Temperature

$$T_0 = 290 \text{ K} \\ 17 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

1 - reasonable value for T_{room}

2 - $k T_0 = 4 \times 10^{-21}$

Noise Figure

$$N = 10 \log_{10}(F) \quad \text{dB}$$

Noise Factor and Noise Figure

In all radio engineering
(including digital RF systems)
the noise is given as NF

A good amplifier
NF = 1 dB

Q: $S = \dots$ W/Hz
referred at the
amplifier
input

$$NF = 10 \log(F) \rightarrow F = 10^{NF/10} \quad F = 10^{0.1} \approx 1.25$$

$$S = F k T_0 \quad 1.25 \quad \underbrace{4 \times 10^{-21}} \quad \text{W/Hz}$$

$$= 5 \times 10^{-21} \quad \text{W/Hz}$$

$$T_t = 1.25 T_0$$

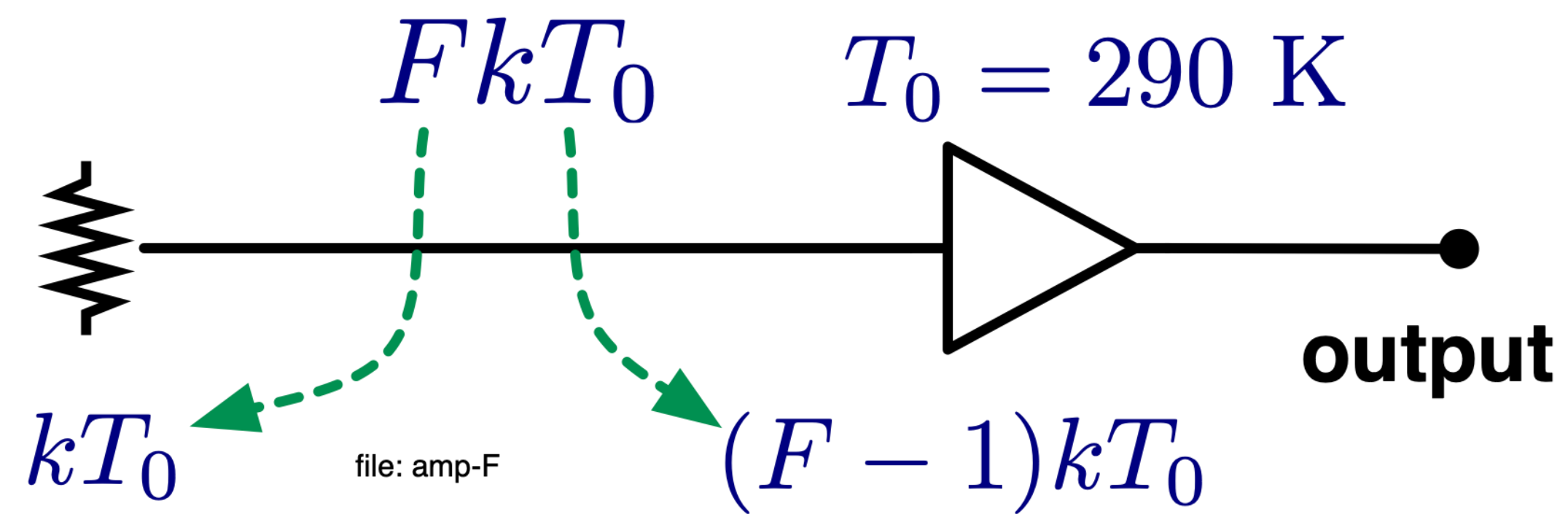
$T_0 \rightarrow$ input
 $0.25 T_0 \rightarrow$ amplifier

Noise Factor & Noise Figure

Noise Factor $F = \frac{\text{SNR}(\text{out})}{\text{SNR}(\text{in})}$ general definition
Int'l standard

This definition is equivalent to the definition given before

$\text{NF} = 10 \log_{10} F$



Assume that the whole circuit is at the reference temperature $T_0 = 290 \text{ K}$ ($17 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$)

The total noise referred to the amplifier input is FkT_0

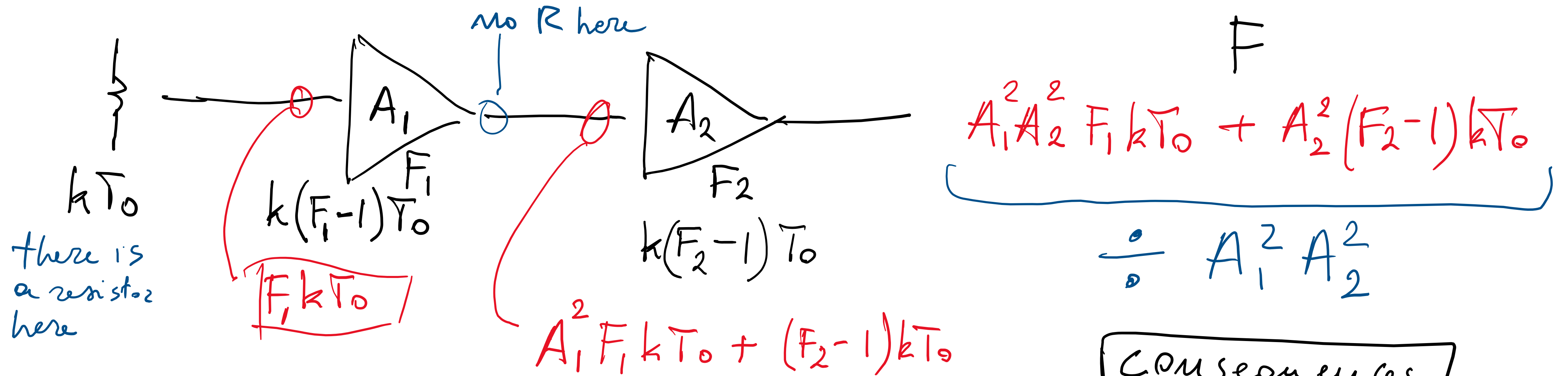
amplifiers and RF/ μw devices

$$FkT_0 = kT_e = k(T_a + T_0) \quad T_0 = 290 \text{ K}$$

$$F = \frac{T_a + T_0}{T_0} \quad \text{and} \quad T_a = (F - 1)T_0$$

Warning: the noise factor/figure is a radio-engineering concept, can be misleading in optics

Cascaded devices -- The Friis Formula



there is a resistor here

Total noise referred to the input

$$S = F_1 kT_0 + \frac{F_2 - 1}{A_1^2} kT_0$$

$$= \left(F_1 + \frac{F_2 - 1}{A_1^2} \right) kT_0$$

Consequences

$$F = F_1 + \frac{F_2 - 1}{A_1^2}$$

practical implication

The total noise is determined by the 1st amplifier (take with care)

3 amplifiers (just an academic exercise)

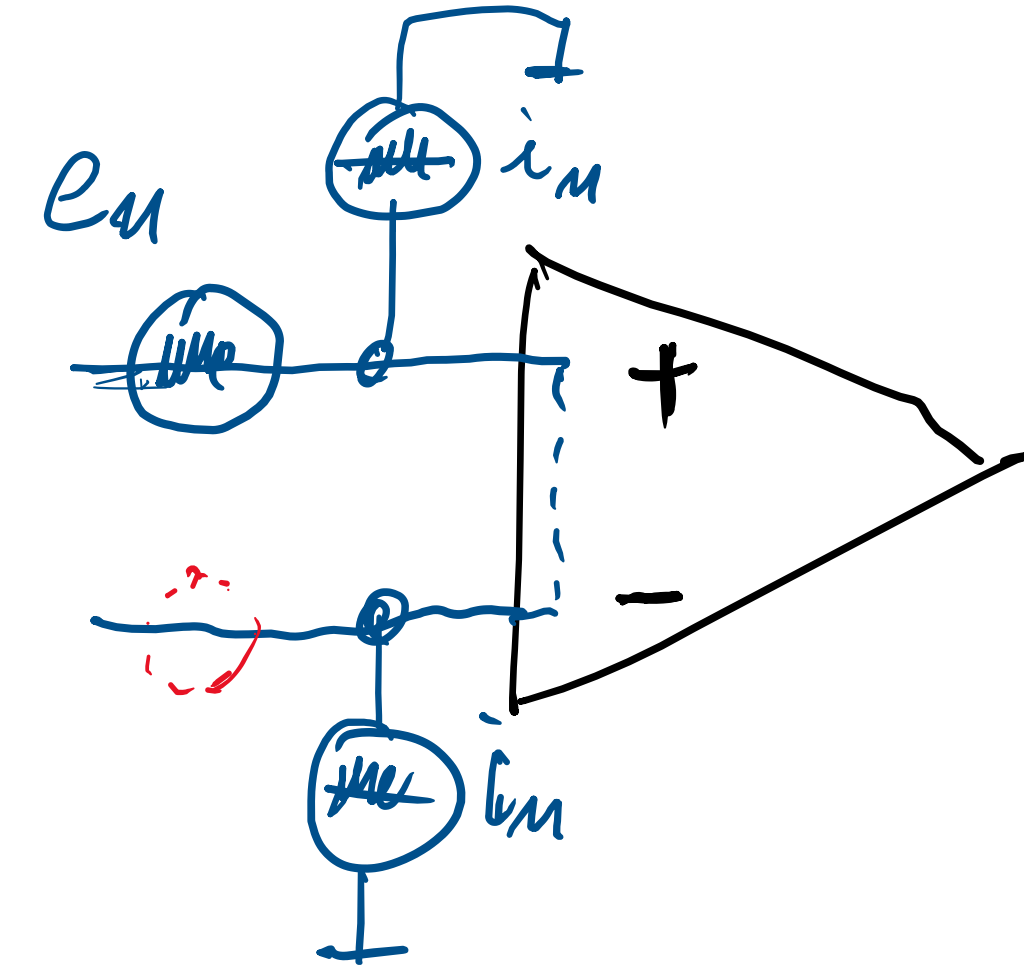
$$F = F_1 + \frac{F_2 - 1}{A_1^2} + \frac{F_3 - 1}{A_1^2 A_2^2} \text{ etc.}$$

The Rothe Dahlke Model

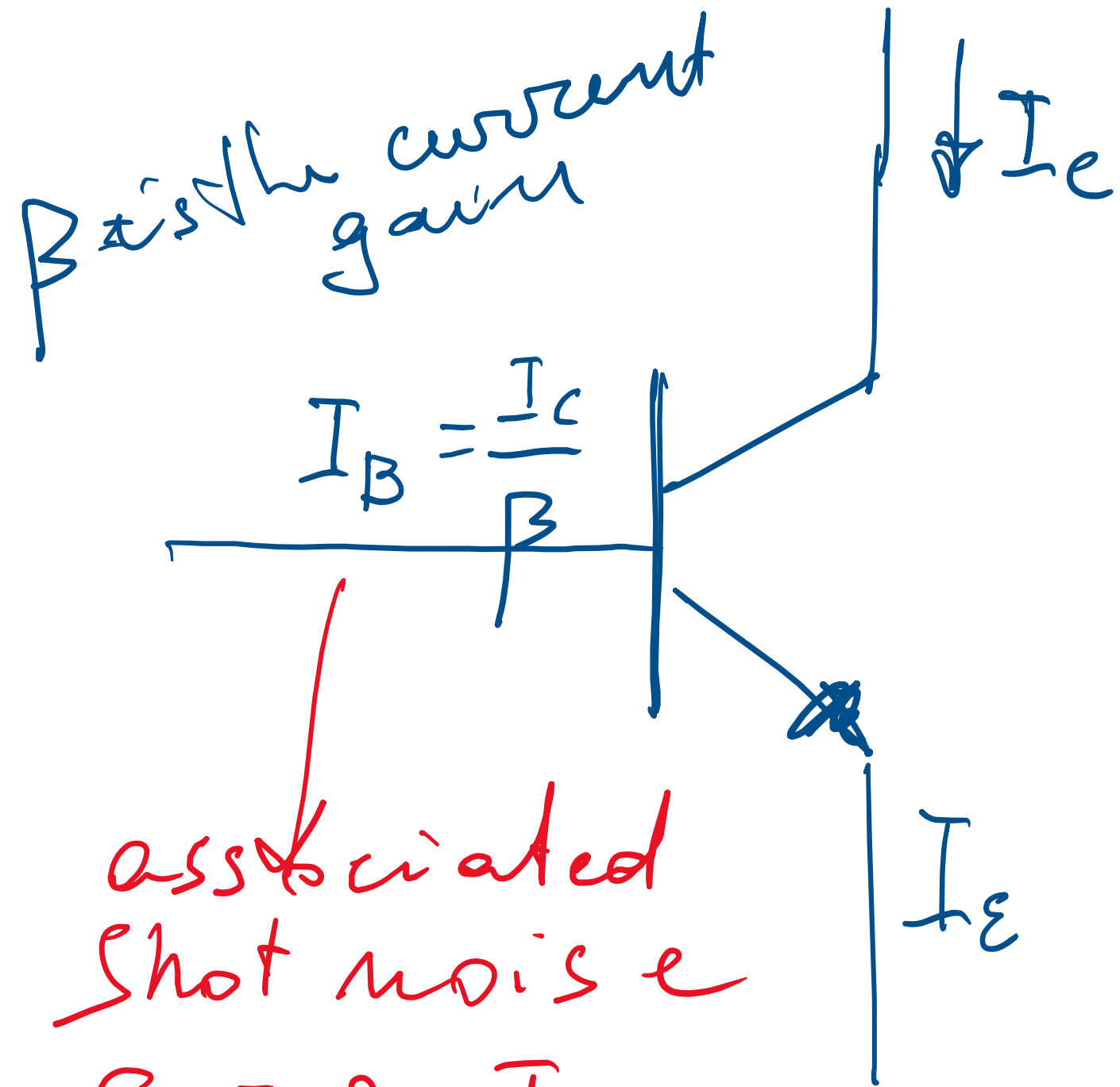
$$\sqrt{S_v} \rightarrow e_n \text{ nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

$$\sqrt{S_I} \rightarrow e_n \text{ pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

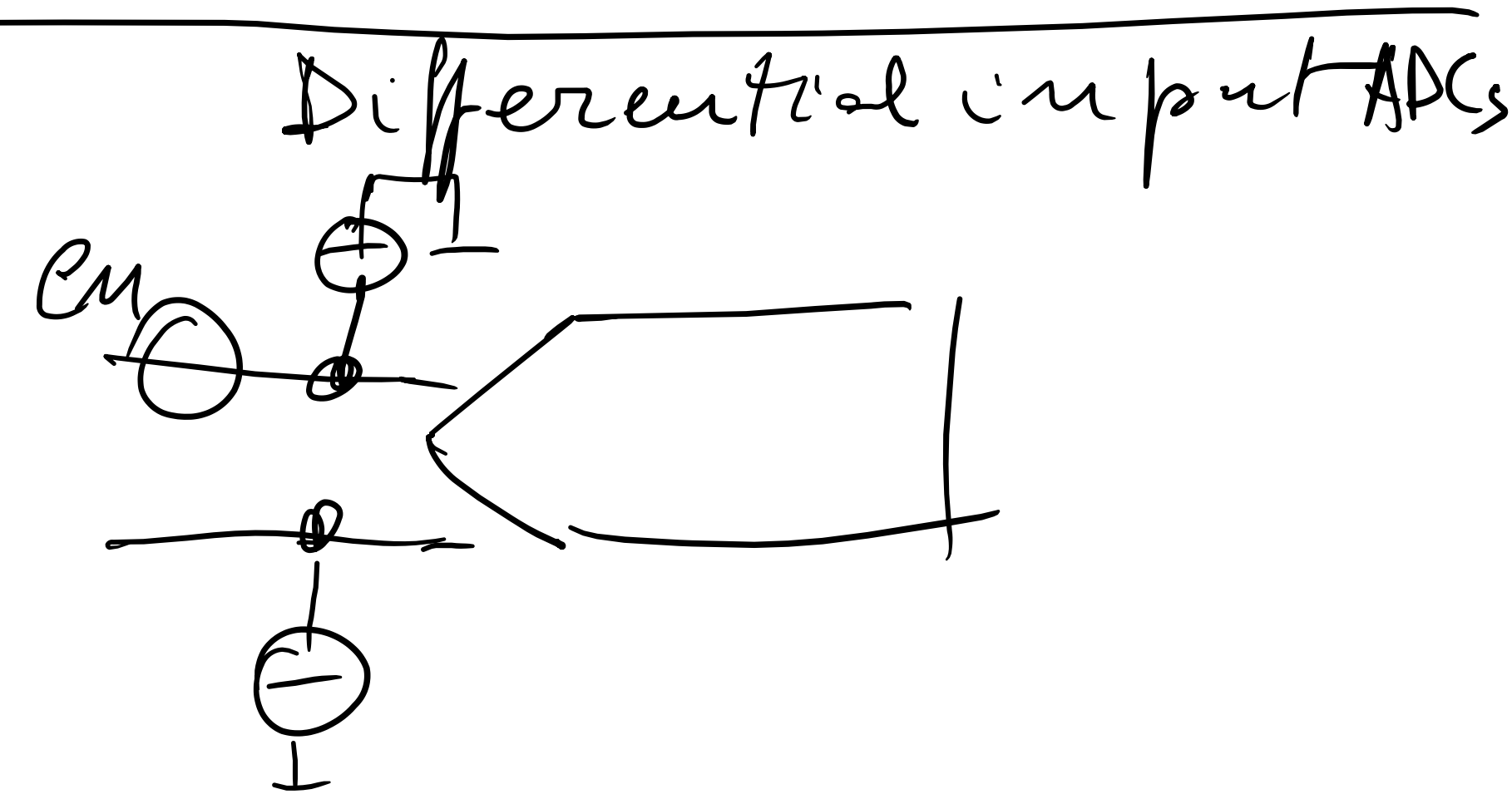
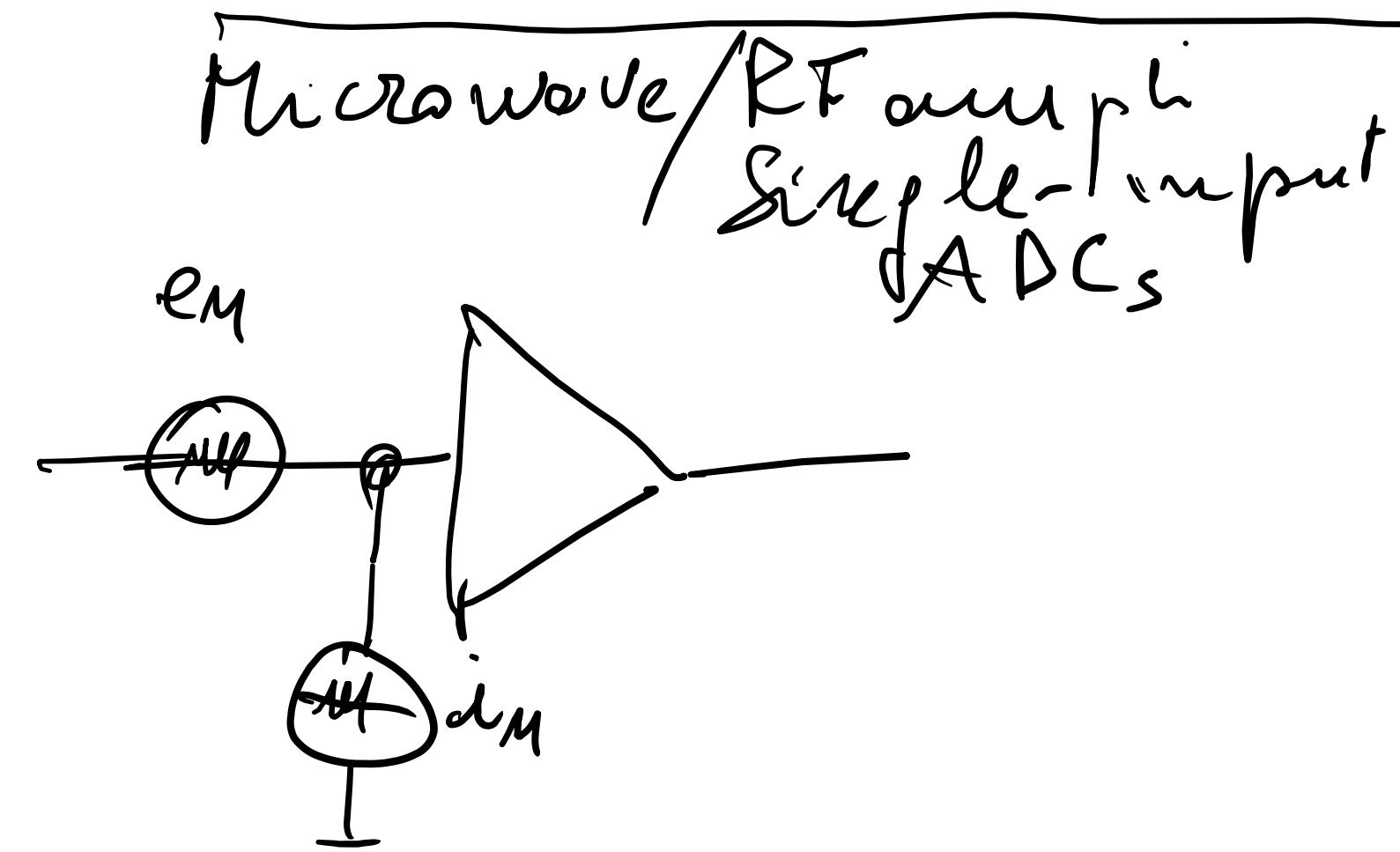
→ noise in operational amplifier
→ also valid in RF and with converters



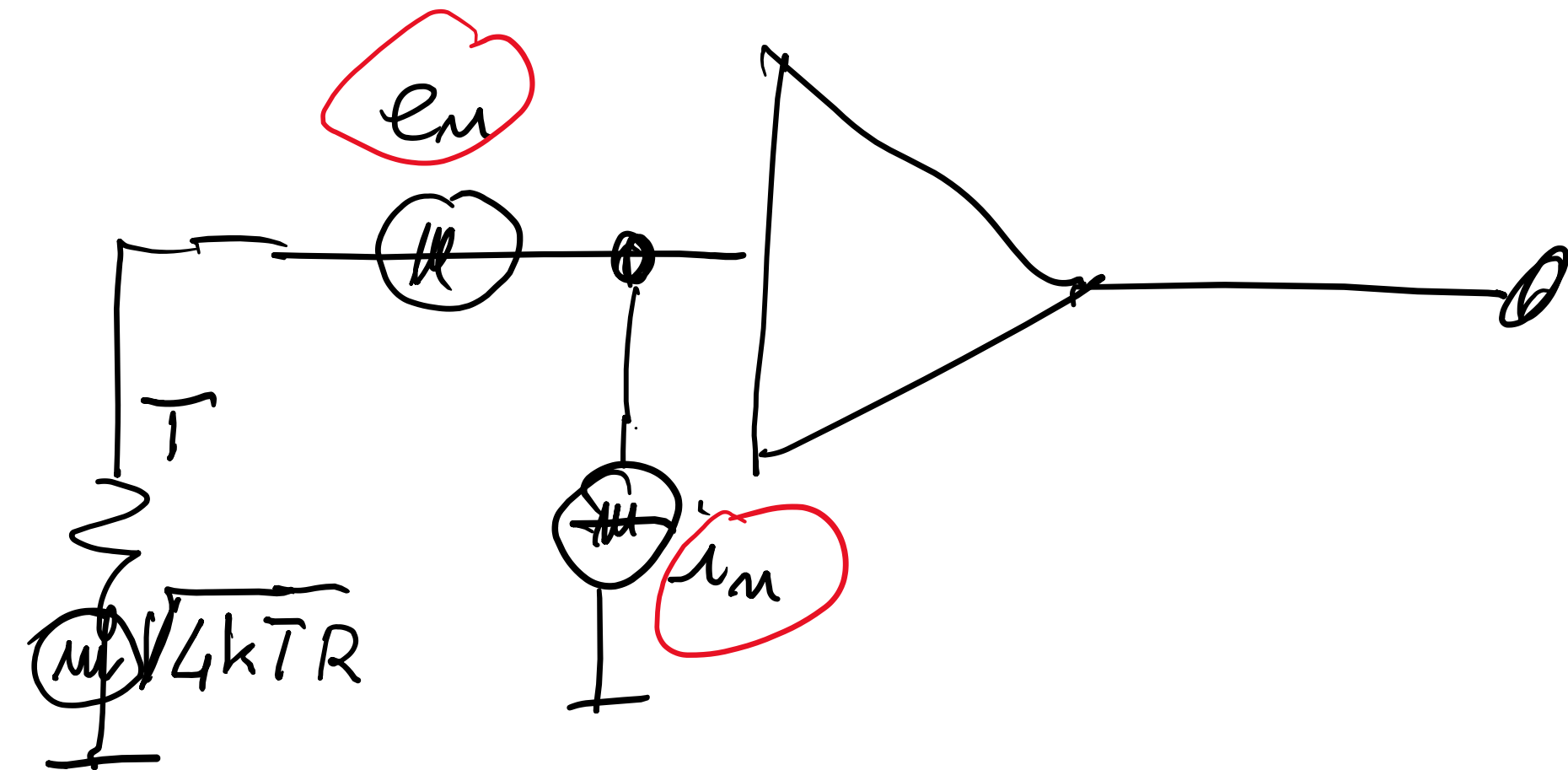
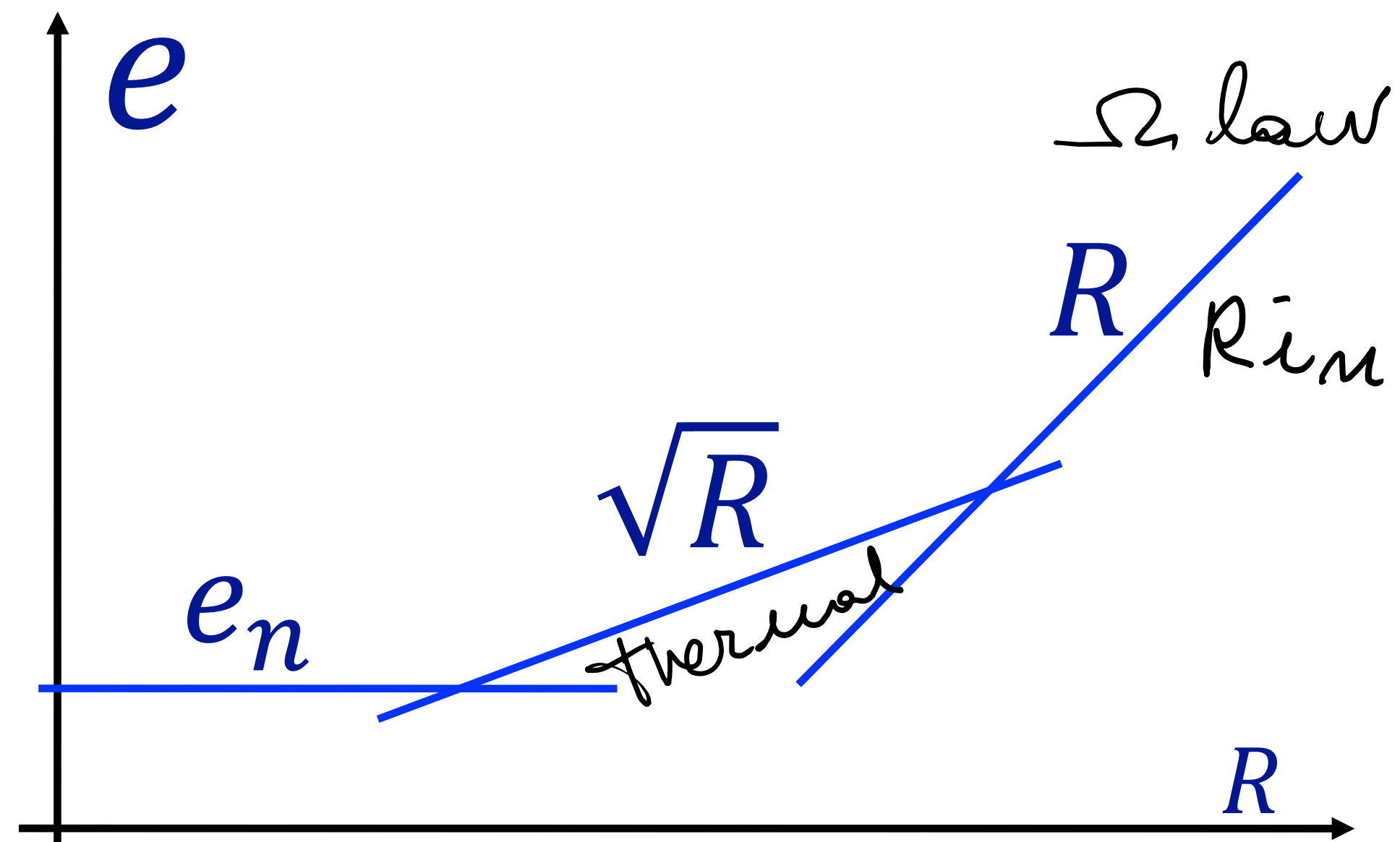
virtual short
 $V_+ = V_-$
 e_n is either at the + / - input



associated shot noise
 $S_I = 2qI_B$



Adding a Resistor to the RD Model



$$e^2 = e_n^2 + R^2 i_n^2 + 4kTR$$

$$e = \sqrt{\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{const.}} + \underbrace{\quad}_{\propto R}}$$

End of Lecture #11

Impedance-Matching Concepts

- Maximum power transfer

- The impedance matching we are used to

$$Z_g = Z_L^*$$

- Lowest noise

- Straightforward consequence of the Rothe Dahlke model

$$R_b = e_n / i_n$$

- ...but you loose signal

- Highest SNR

- Choose the best compromise between the above

Flicker Noise

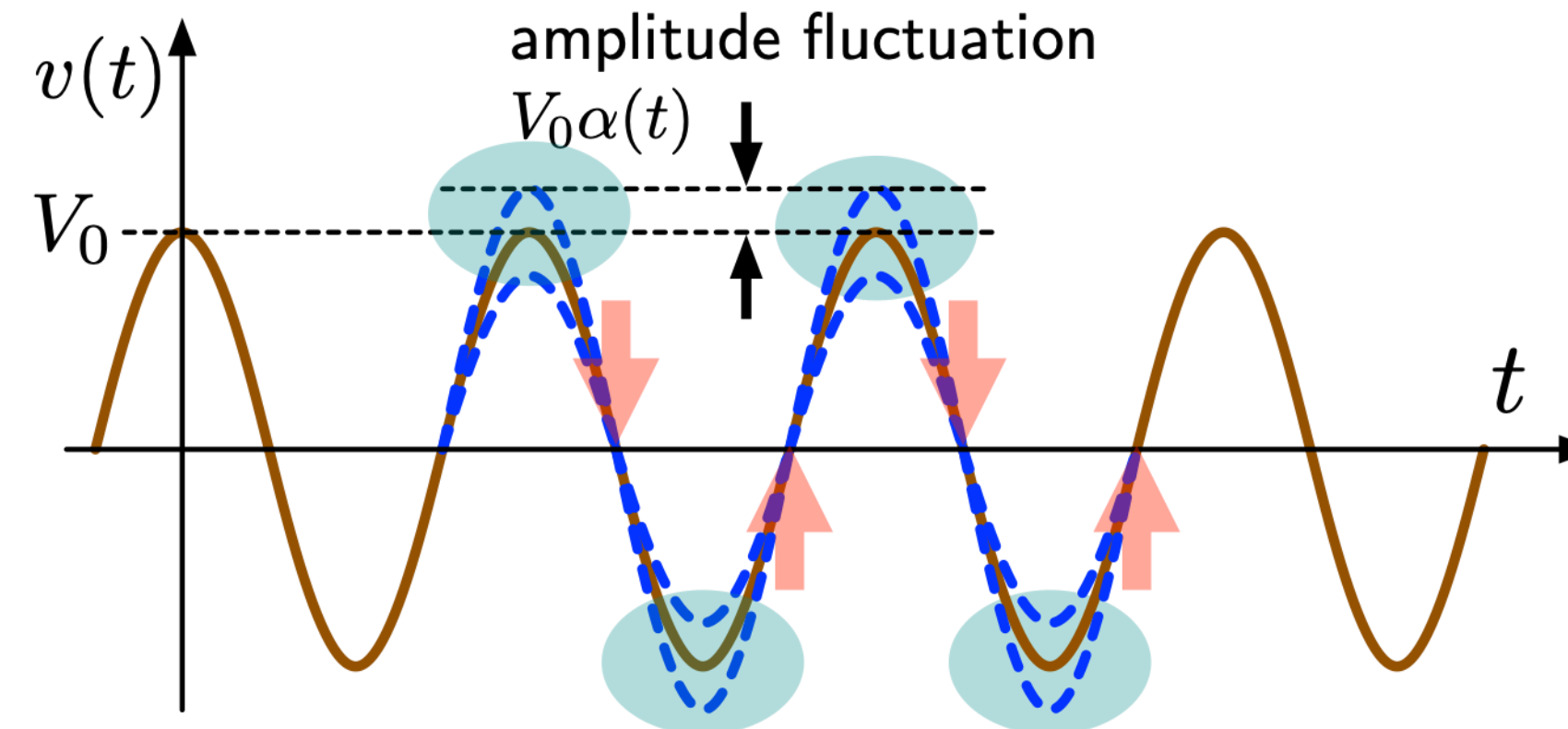
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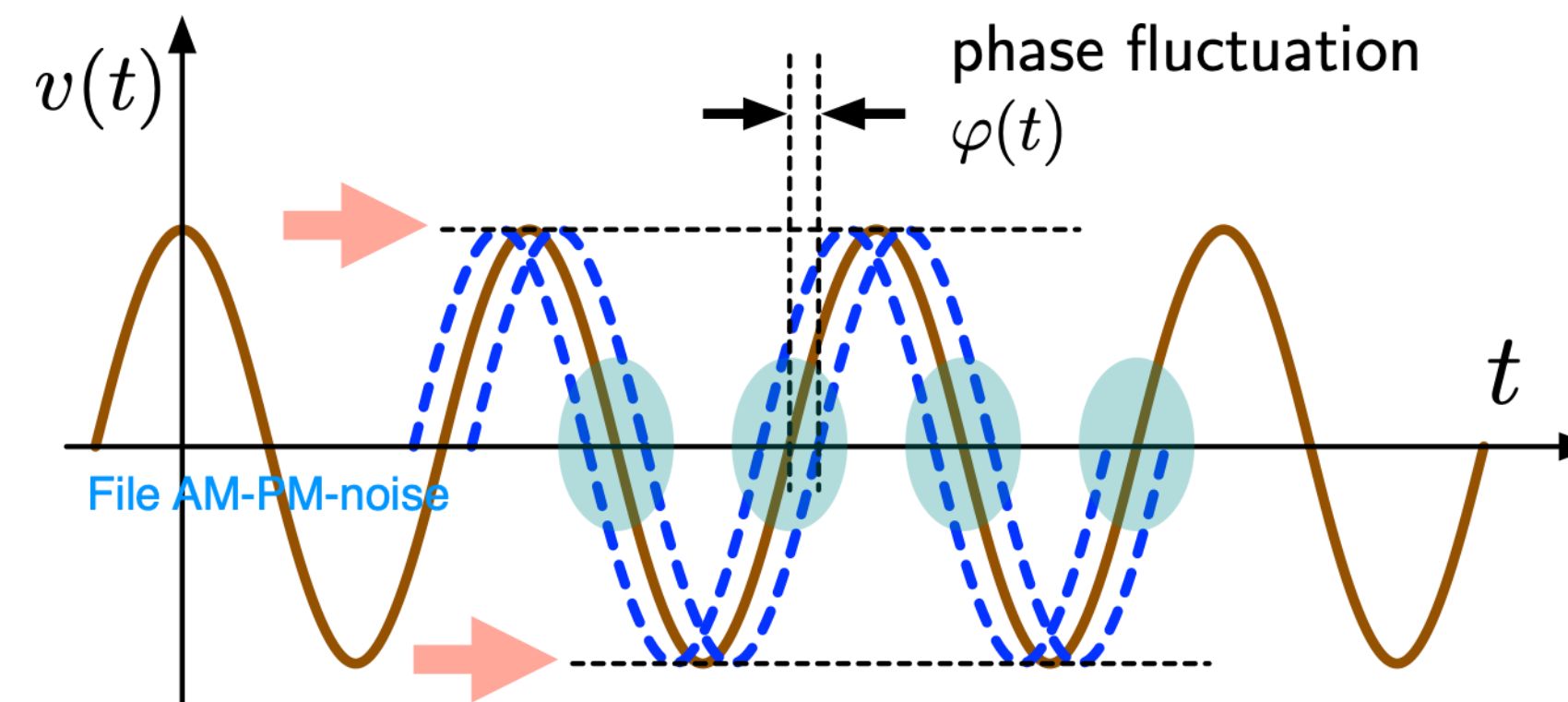
Phase Noise

Phase and Amplitude Noise

amplitude
fluctuation



phase
fluctuation



polar coordinates

$$v(t) = V_0 [1 + \alpha(t)] \cos [\omega_0 t + \varphi(t)]$$

Cartesian coordinates

$$v(t) = V_0 \cos \omega_0 t + n_c(t) \cos \omega_0 t - n_s(t) \sin \omega_0 t$$

under low noise approximation

$$|n_c(t)| \ll V_0 \quad \text{and} \quad |n_s(t)| \ll V_0$$

It holds that

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{n_c(t)}{V_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(t) = \frac{n_s(t)}{V_0}$$

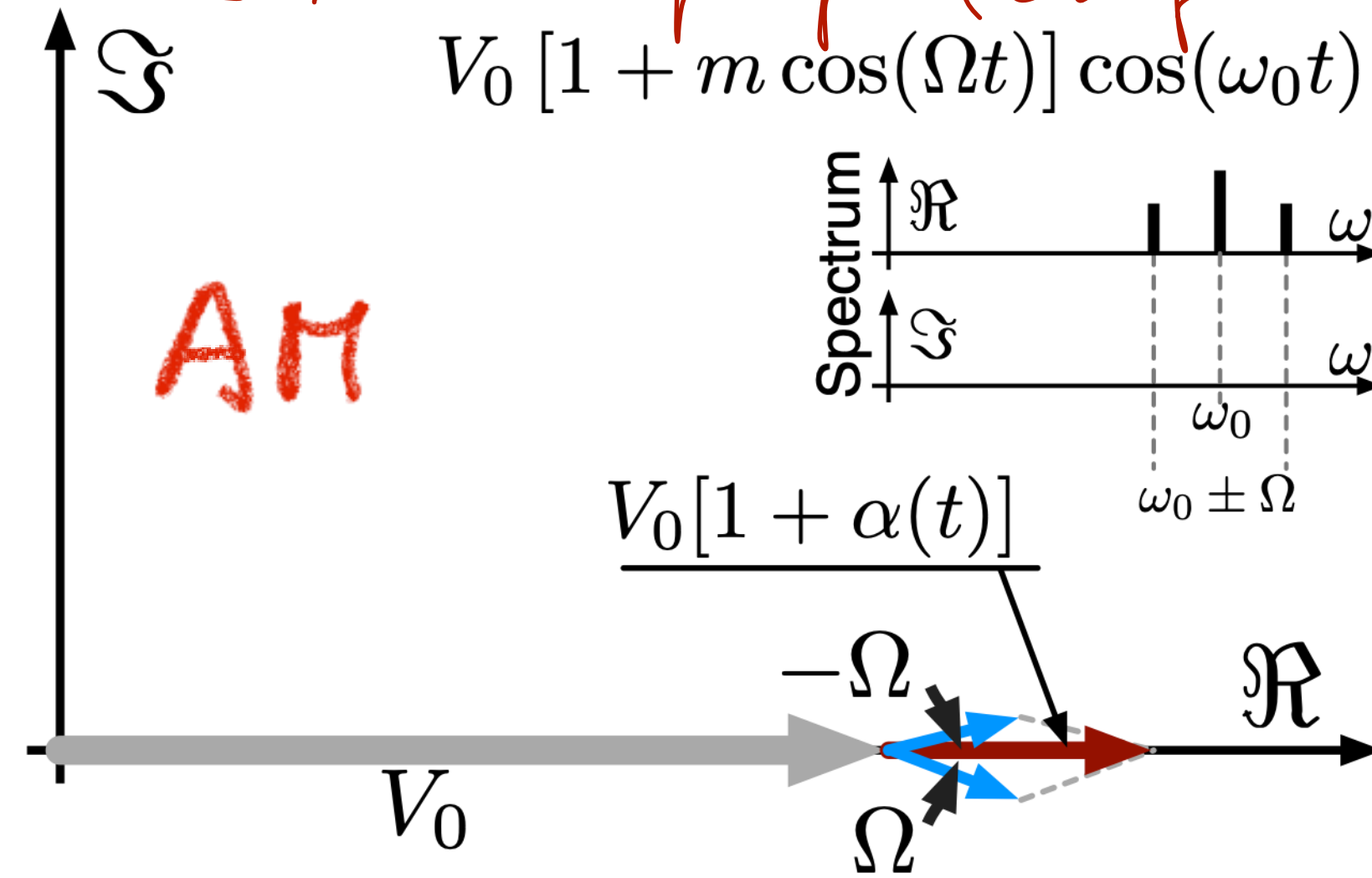
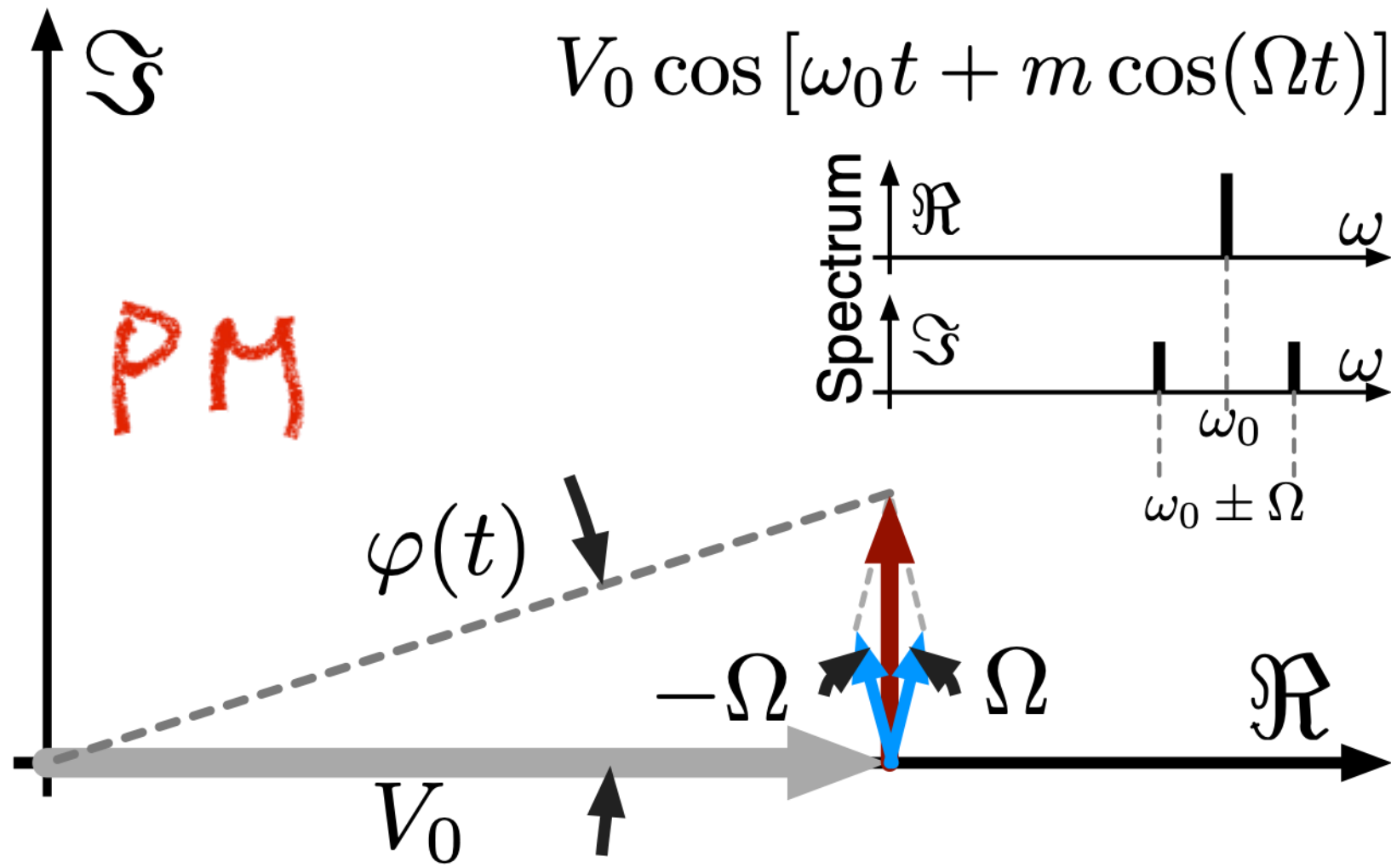
Noise in Digital Circuits

Noise in Analog/Digital Circuits

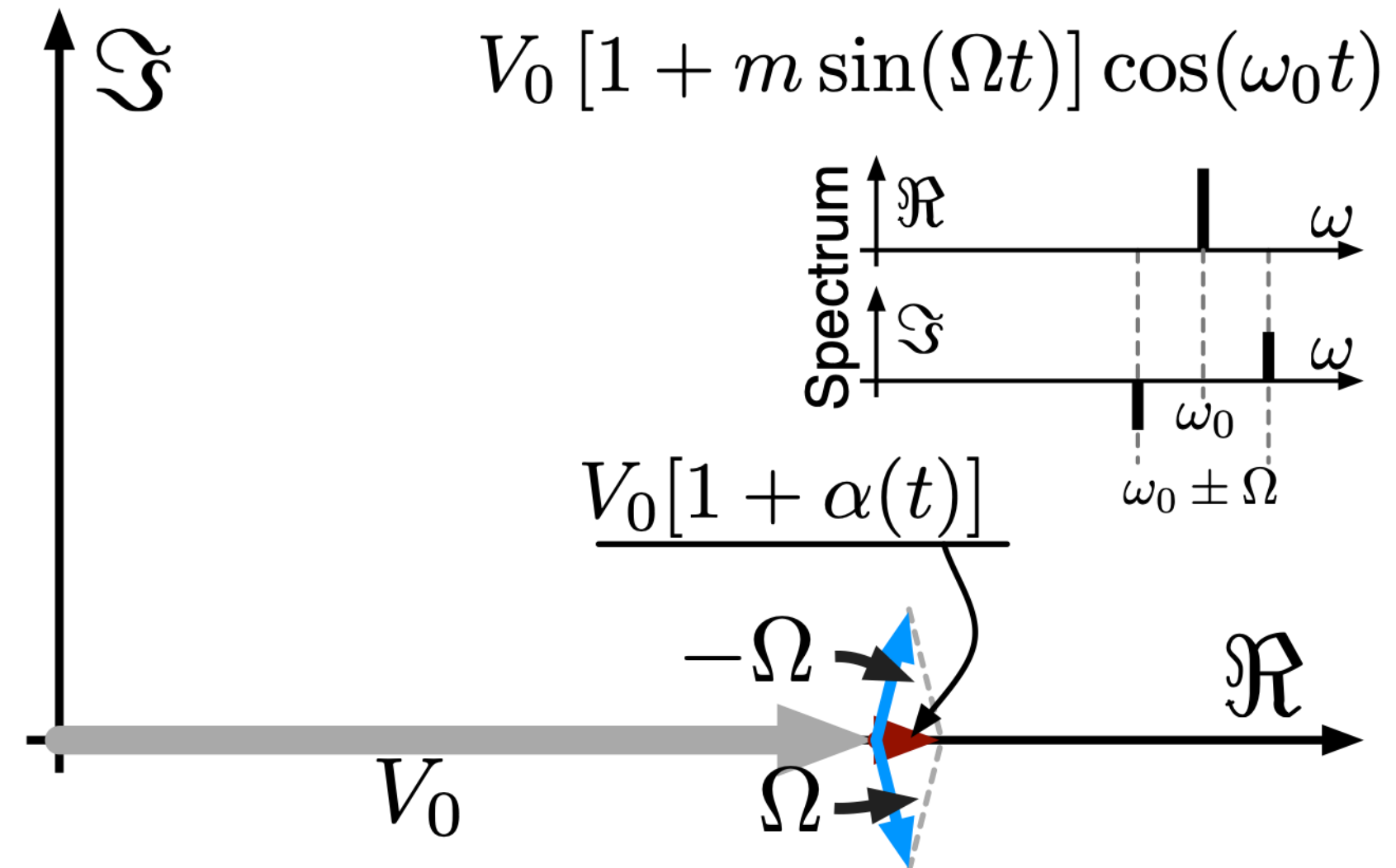
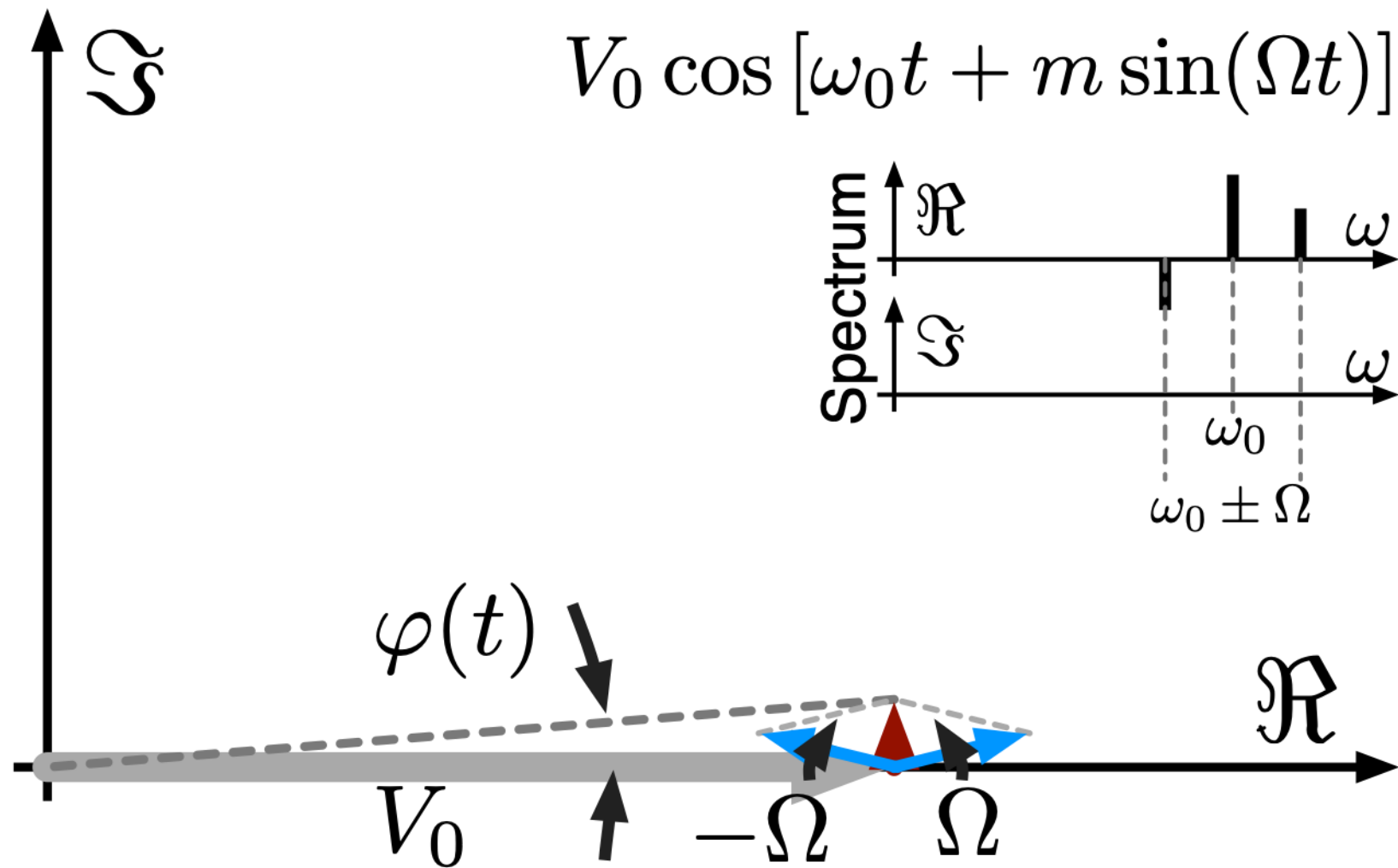
Modulation and Sidebands

m modulation index

ω_0 carrier frequency
 Ω low-freq. (information)



File Modulation-summary



Phase Modulation – Math

Phase modulated signal, with modulation index m

$$v(t) = e^{j(\omega_0 + m \sin \omega_m t)t}$$

The full frequency domain representation contains an infinite number of sidebands ruled by the Jacobi–Anger expansion

$$e^{jm \sin \theta} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(m) e^{jn\theta}$$

For small m , the expansion can be truncated to 3 terms, $n = -1 \dots +1$
Use the asymptotic expansion $J_0(m) \approx 1$, $J_{-1}(m) \approx -m/2$, $J_1(m) \approx m/2$,

$$v(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t} + \frac{m}{2} e^{j(\omega_0 + \omega_m)t} - \frac{m}{2} e^{j(\omega_0 - \omega_m)t}$$

Freeze $\omega_0 \rightarrow$ phase vector representation

$$V(t) = 1 + \frac{m}{2} [e^{j\omega_m t} - e^{-j\omega_m t}]$$

equivalent to

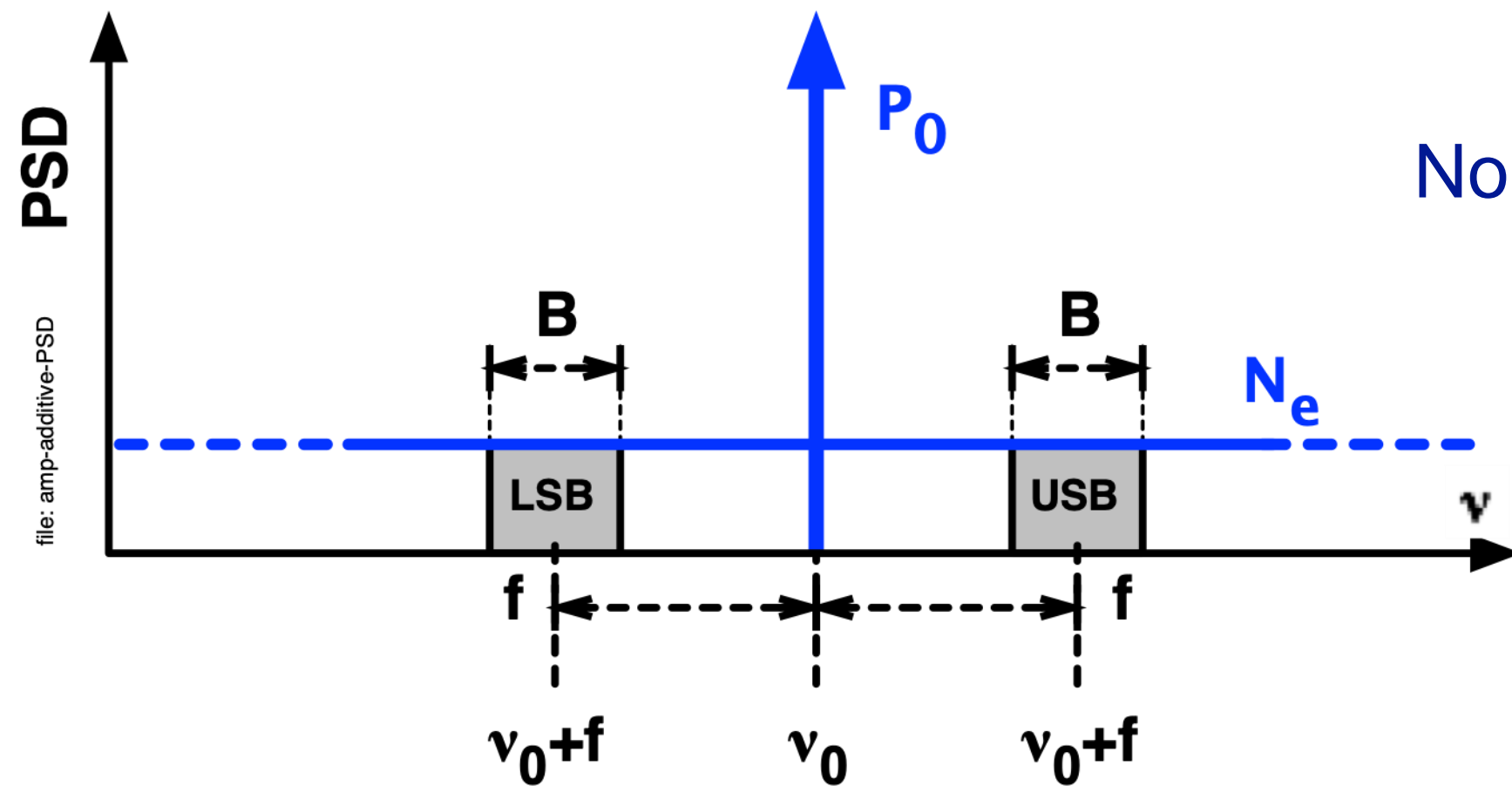
$$V(t) = 1 + jm \sin(\omega_m t)$$

$$\text{use } \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2j} (e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta})$$

A swinging phase θ is equivalent to a swinging frequency $\Delta f = (1/2\pi) (d\theta/dt)$

$$(\Delta f)(t) = m \frac{\omega_m}{2\pi} \cos(\omega_m t) = m f_m \cos(\omega_m t)$$

Phase and Amplitude Noise



Noise is equally split between AM and PM

PM (rms)

$$v_{usb}(t) = i\sqrt{N_e B/2} e^{i2\pi ft}$$

$$v_{lsb}(t) = -i\sqrt{N_e B/2} e^{-i2\pi ft}$$

AM (rms)

$$v_{usb}(t) = \sqrt{N_e B/2} e^{i2\pi ft}$$

$$v_{lsb}(t) = \sqrt{N_e B/2} e^{-i2\pi ft}$$

$$\phi_p = 2\sqrt{(2N_e B/2P_0)}$$

$$\phi_{rms} = \sqrt{(N_e B/P_0)}$$

file: amp-additive-PM

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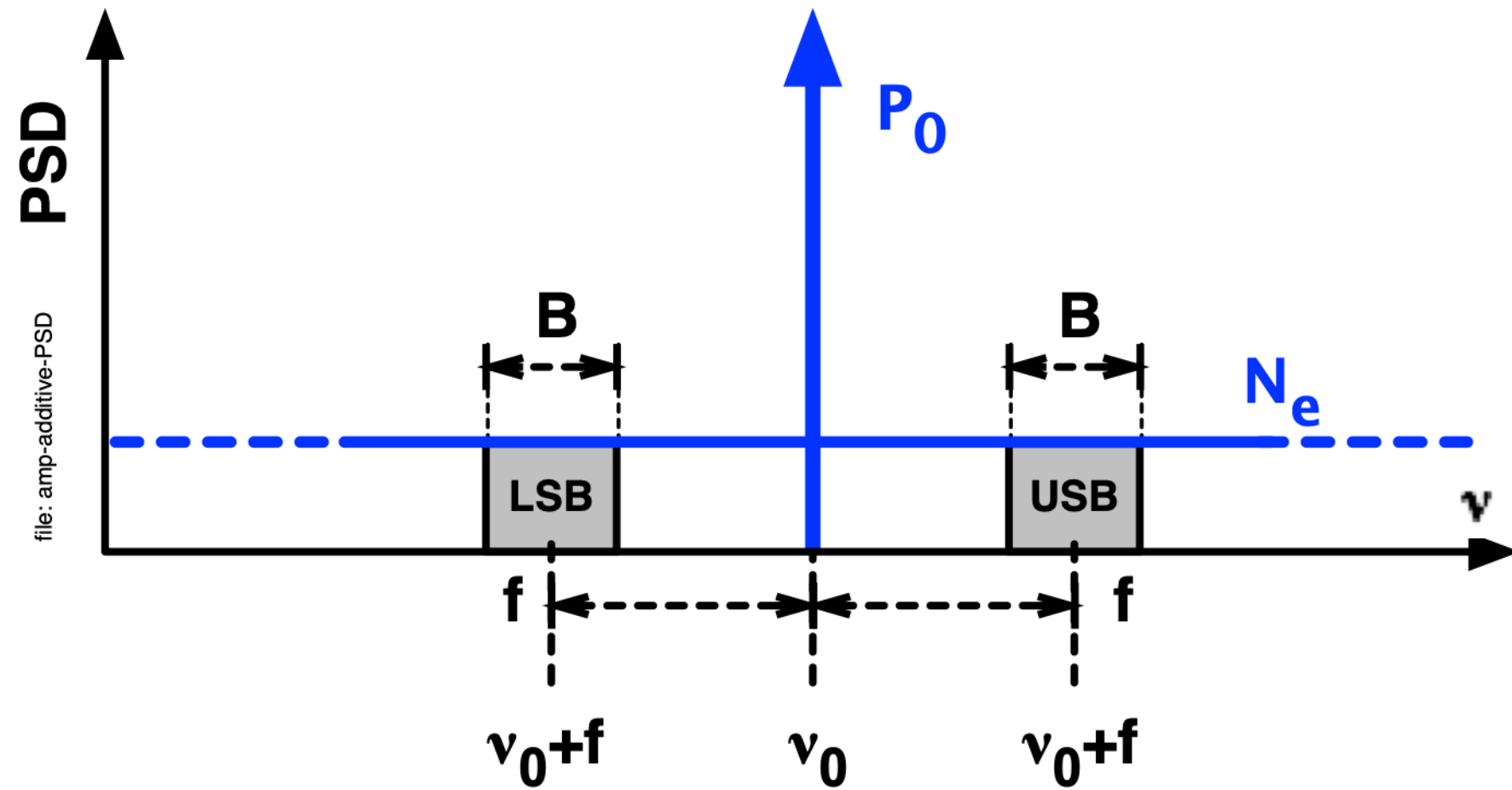
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Normalize on B

$$S_\phi(f) = \frac{N_e}{P_0}, \quad S_\alpha(f) = \frac{N_e}{P_0}$$

Bandwidth

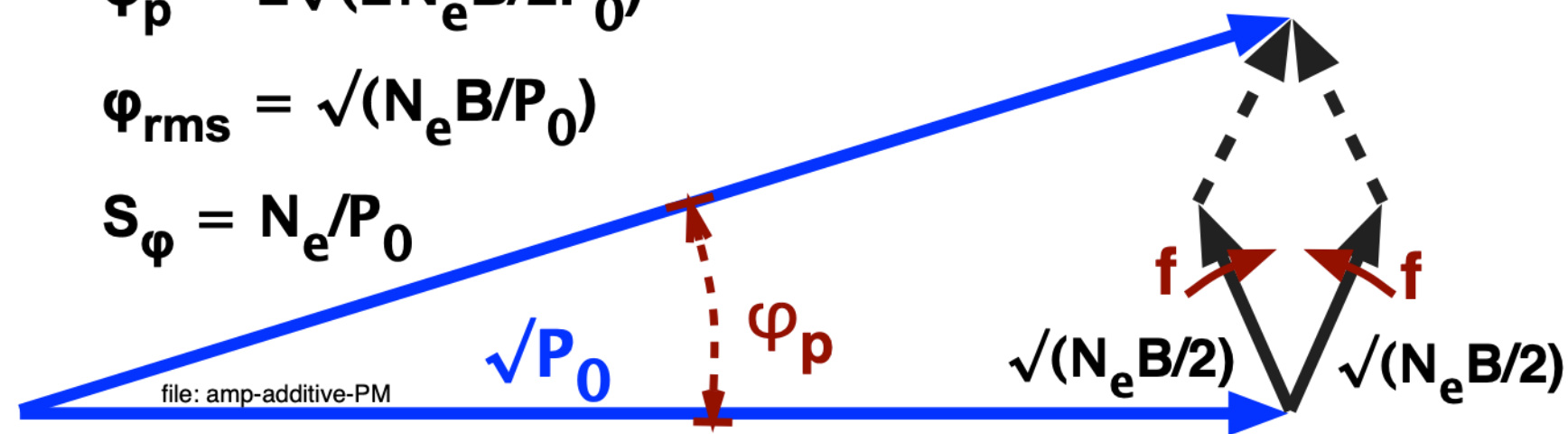


Phase modulation $\varphi(t) = \varphi_p \sin(2\pi ft)$

$$\varphi_p = 2\sqrt{(2N_e B/2P_0)}$$

$$\varphi_{rms} = \sqrt{(N_e B/P_0)}$$

$$S_\varphi = N_e/P_0$$



Phase modulation

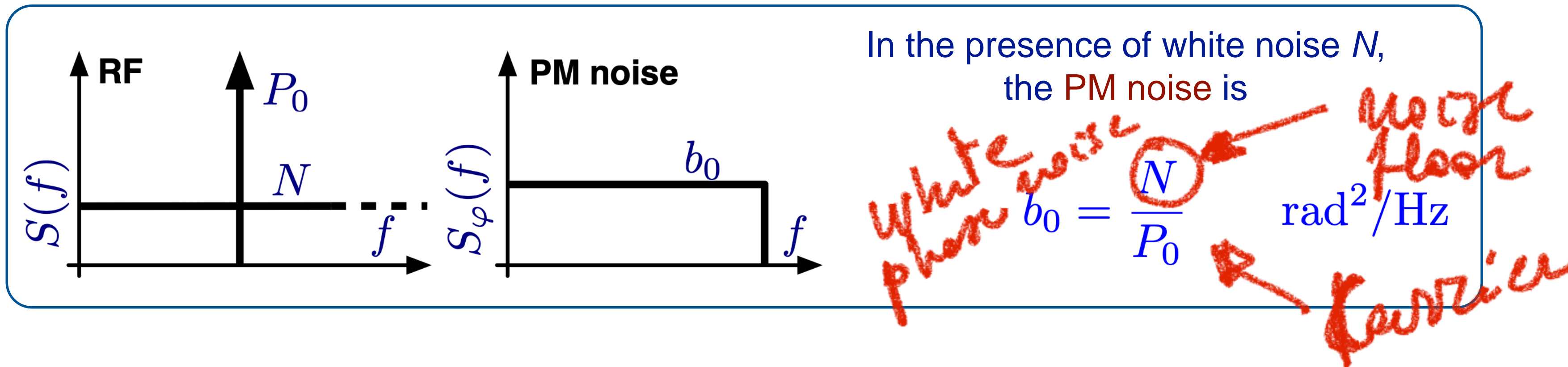
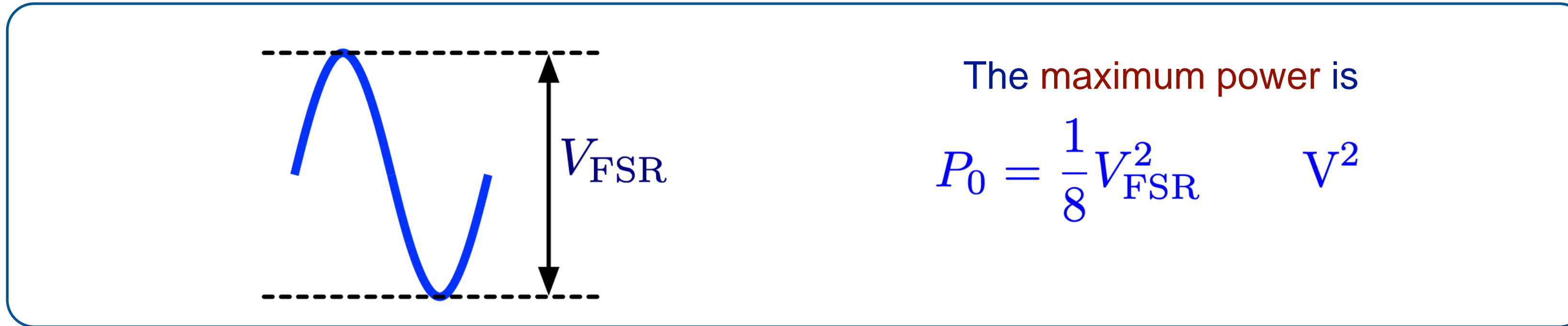
Two symmetrical sidebands

Fourier analysis
 hence $f < \nu_0$
carrier

otherwise LSB goes to negative frequency

Warning: Frequency dividers also divide the bandwidth
 Aliasing is around the corner

Quantization and PM Noise



Recall the quantization noise

$$N = \frac{V_{FSR}^2}{6 \times 2^{2n} \nu_s}$$

The white PM noise is

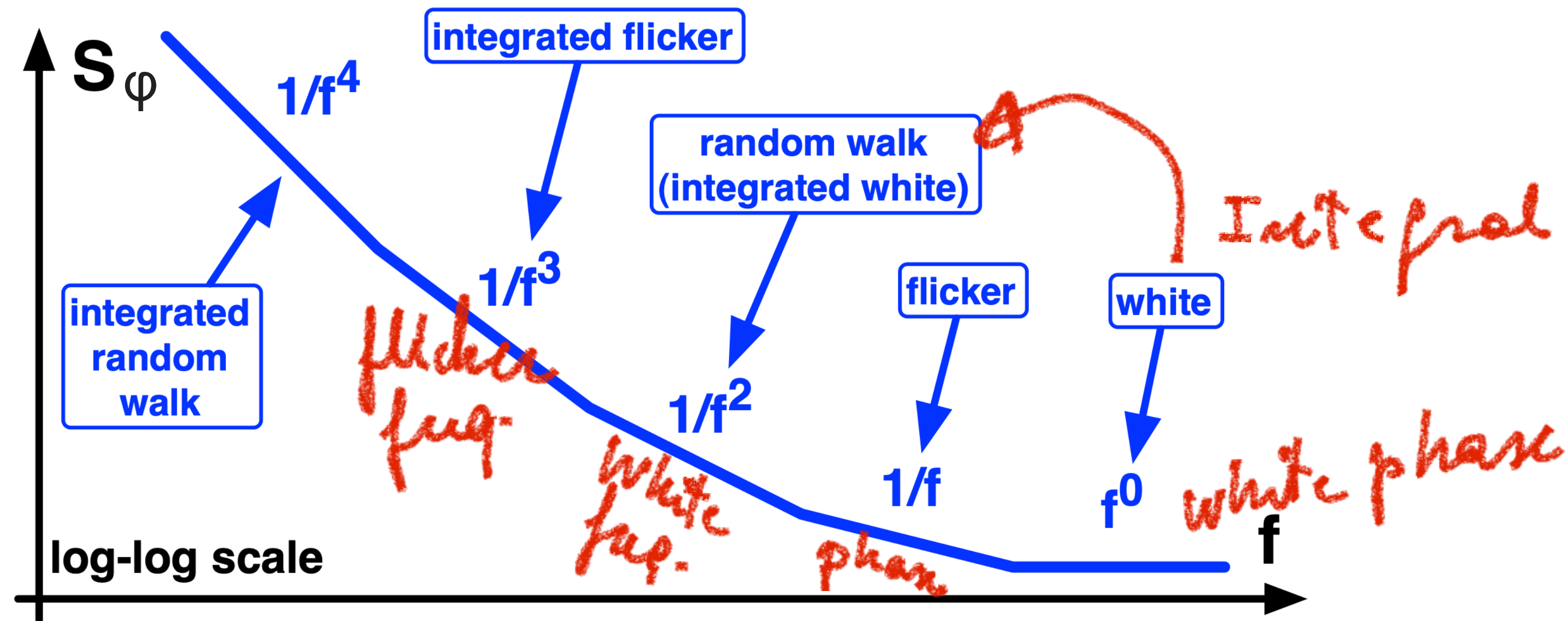
$$b_0 = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{2^{2n} \nu_s} \quad \text{rad}^2/\text{Hz}$$

only for fup

Example:

- 14 bit, 1 GHz → -173 dB
- 14 bit, 400 MHz → -169 dB
- 12 bit, 300 MHz → -156 dB

Polynomial Law



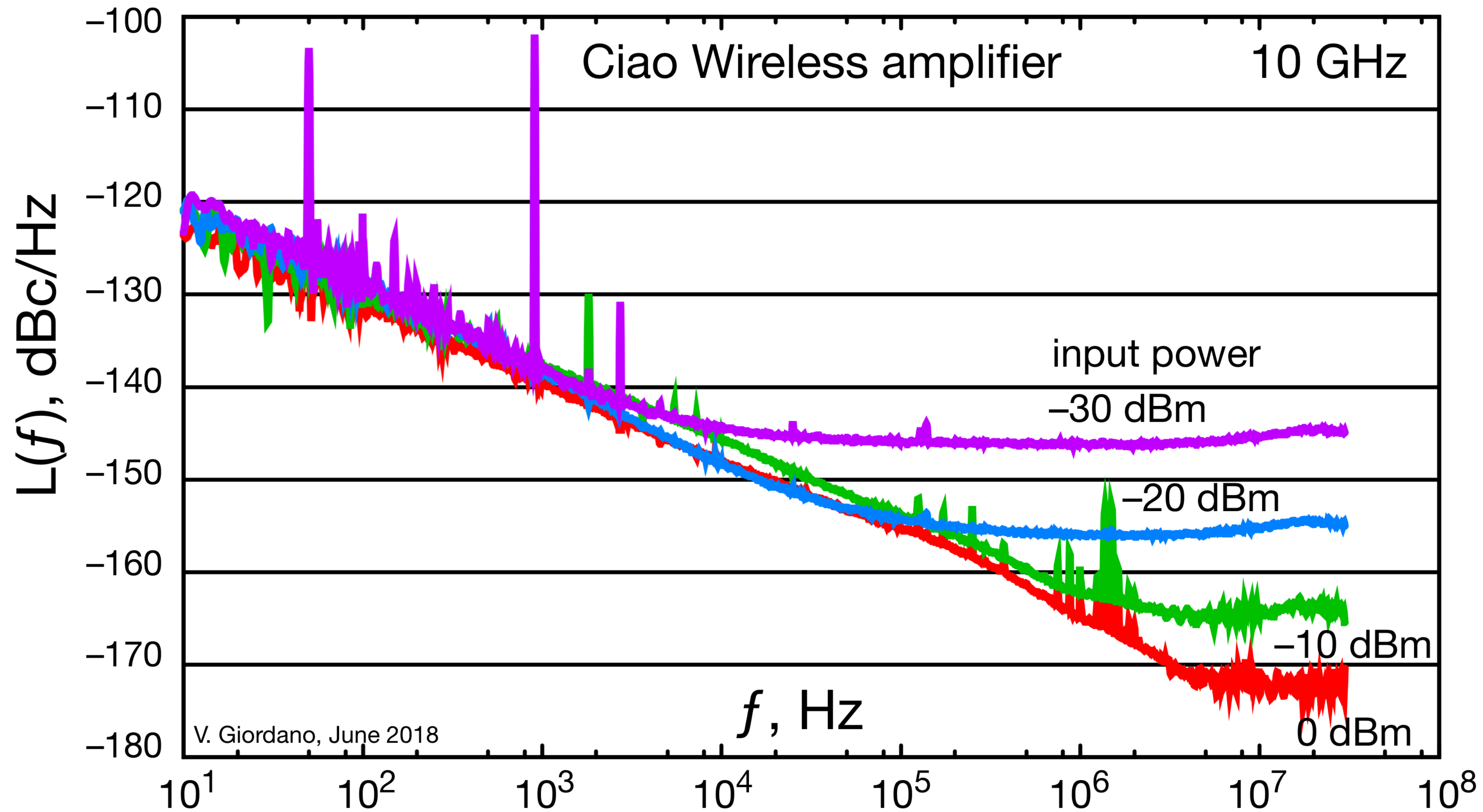
A model which is useful to describe the close-in noise

- Oscillator PM: $S_\phi(f) = \dots + b_{-4}/f^4 + b_{-3}/f^3 + b_{-2}/f^2 + b_{-1}/f + b_0$
- Oscillator FM: $S_y(f) = \dots + h_{-2}/f^2 + h_{-1}/f + h_0 + h_1f + h_2f^2$
- Oscillator AM: $S_\alpha(f) = h_{-1}/f + h_0$ (chiefly, but not only)

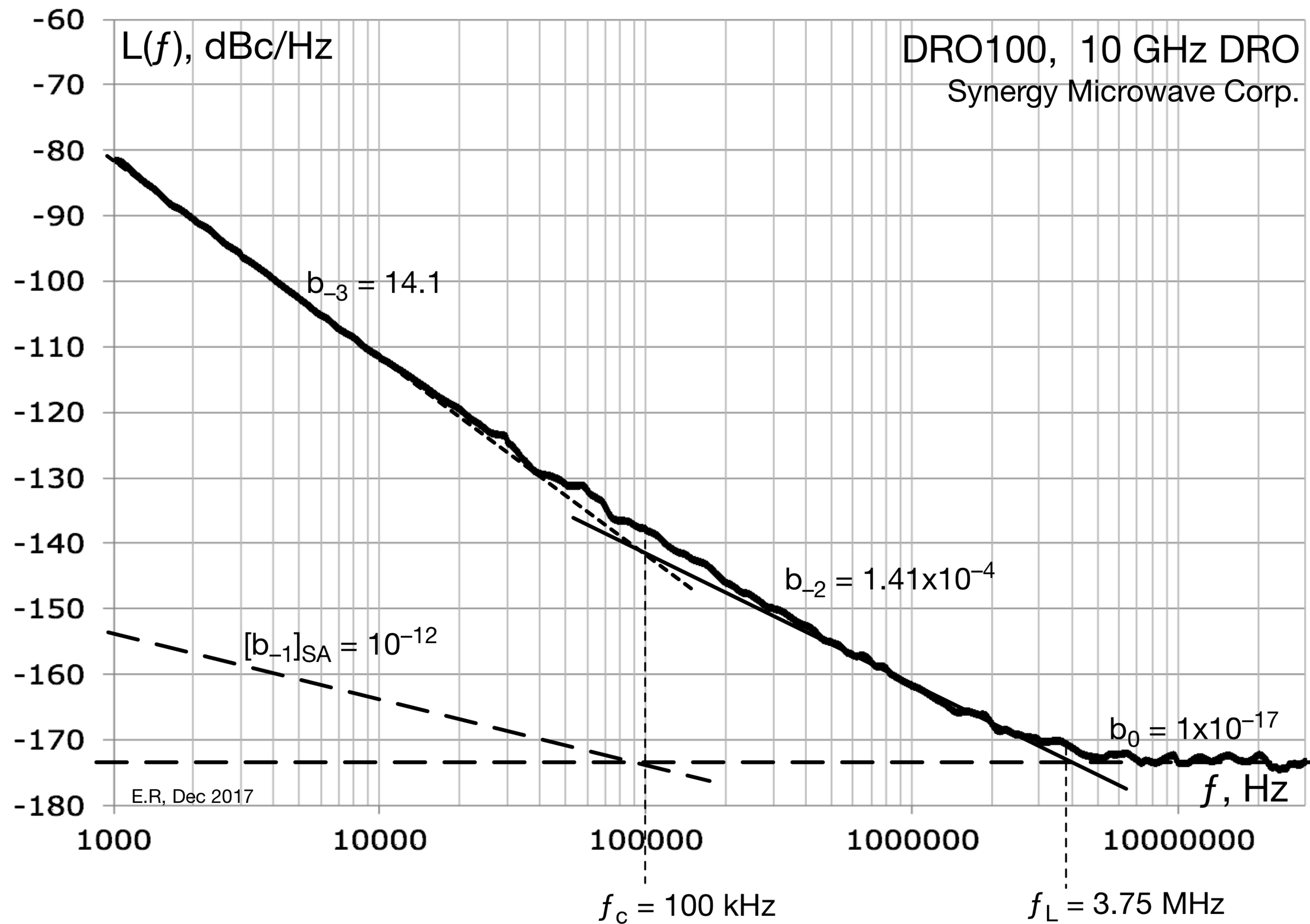


- 2-port device PM: $S_\phi(f) = b_{-1}/f + b_0$ (chiefly, but not only)
- 2-port device AM: $S_\alpha(f) = h_{-1}/f + h_0$ (chiefly, but not only)

Example – Microwave Amplifier



Example – Microwave Oscillator

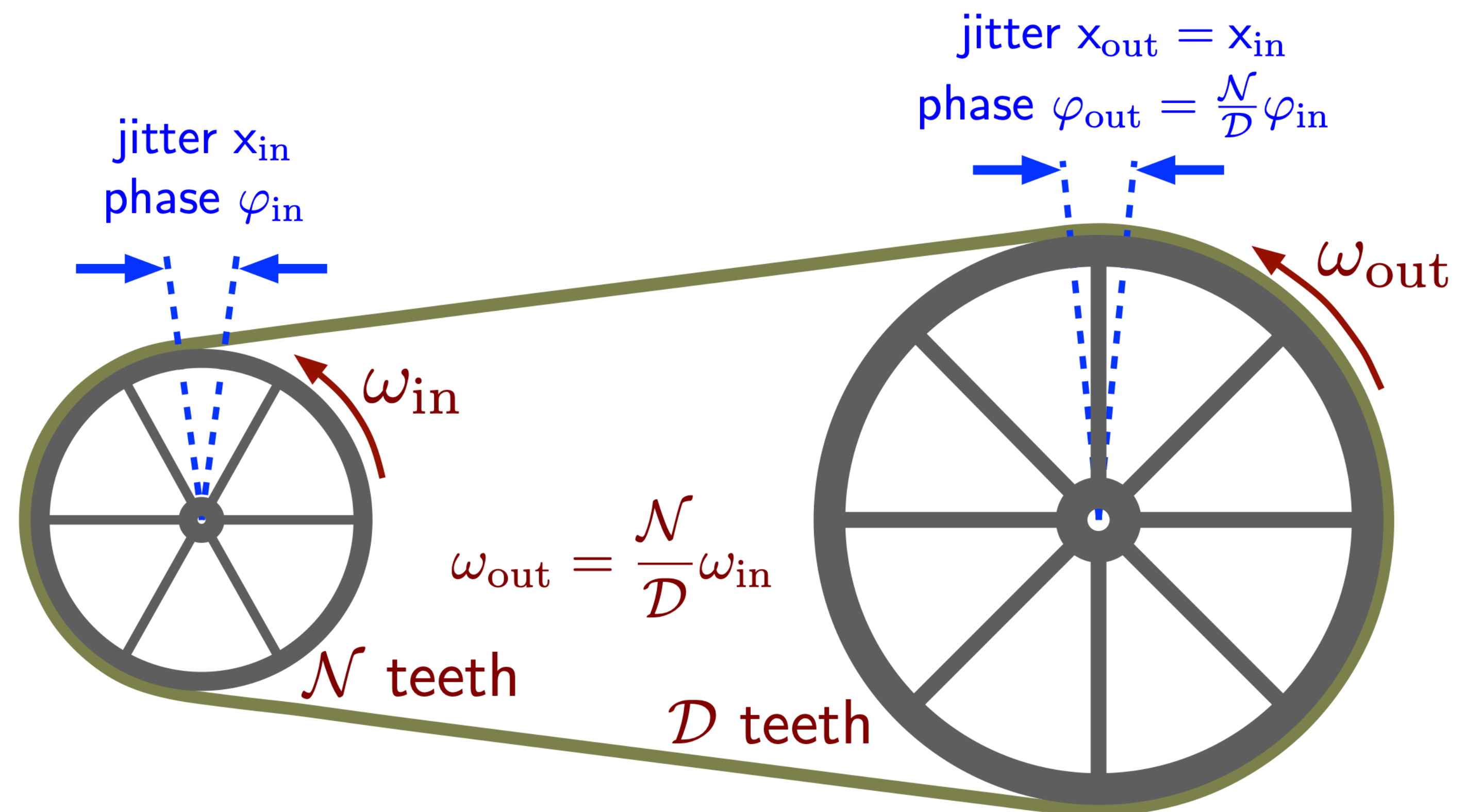


Phase-Type and Time-Type Phase Noise

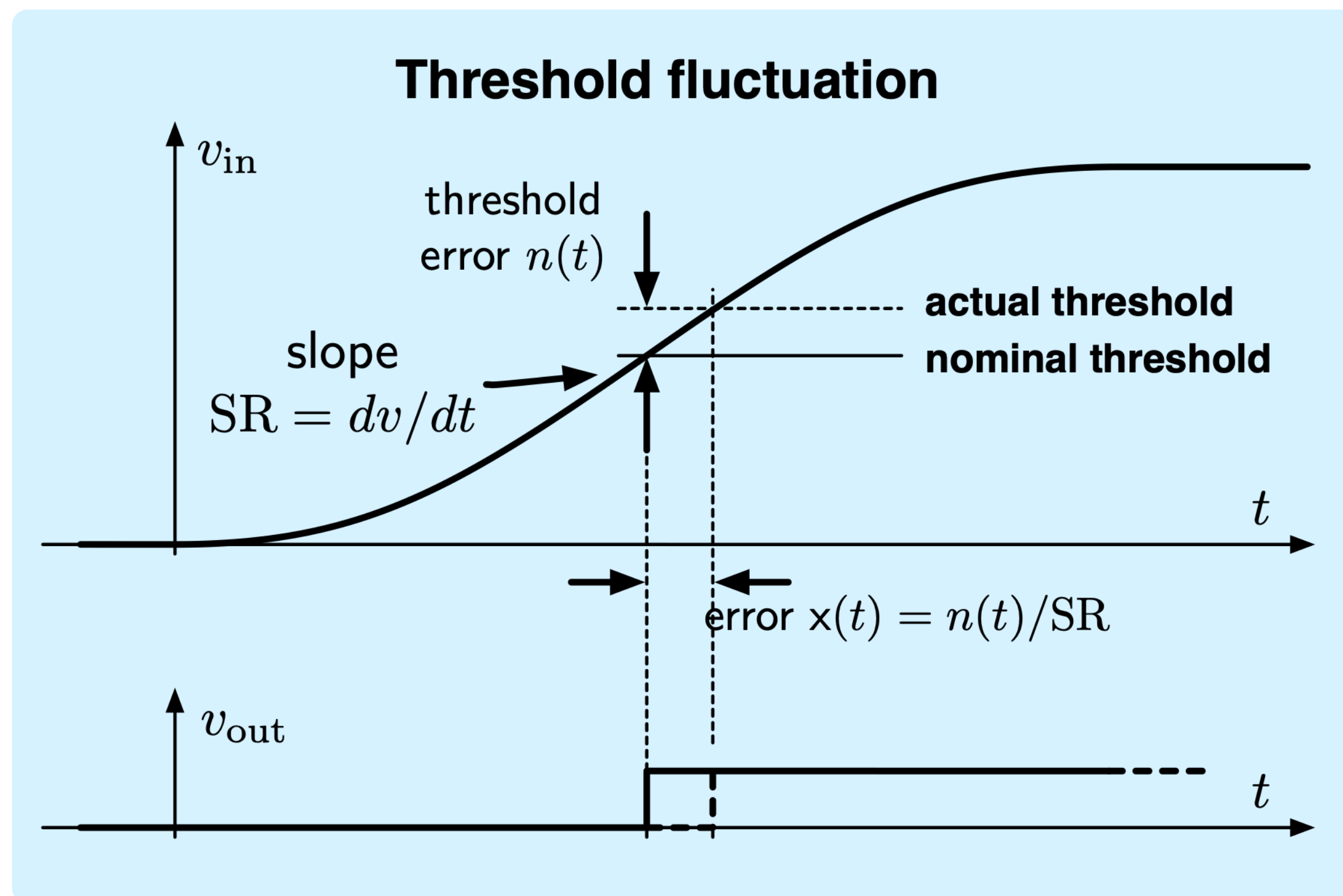
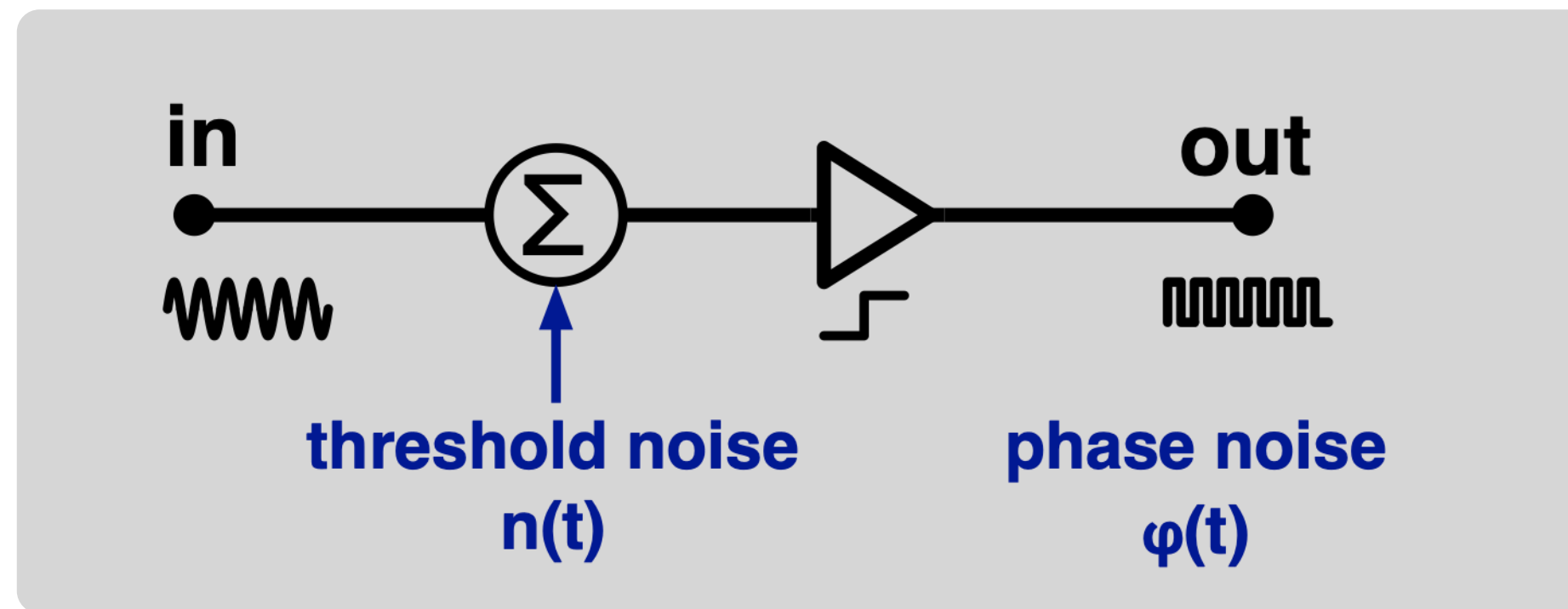
Phase Time Fluctuations

$$v(t) = V_0 [1 + \alpha(t)] \cos [2\pi\nu_0 t + \varphi(t)] \quad x(t) = \frac{\varphi(t)}{2\pi\nu_0}$$

- ITU defines jitter as the variations in the significant instants of a clock or data signal, vs a “perfect” clock
- Jitter —> Usually fast phase changes $f >$ a few tens of Hz
- Wander —> Usually slower phase changes (due to temperature, voltage, etc)
- Designers first care about consistency of logic functions,
 - First, maximum timing error
 - Sometimes RMS value and probability distribution
- Time and Frequency community focuses on
 - PM noise spectra
 - Delay spectra
 - Two-sample variances (ADEV, TDEV, etc.)



Phase Noise in the Input Stage



mechanism

$$x(t) = \frac{n(t)}{(SR)(t)}$$

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{2\pi\nu_0 n(t)}{(SR)(t)}$$

Phase Noise in the Input Stage

Sinusoidal signal

$$v(t) = V_0 [1 + \alpha(t)] \cos [2\pi\nu_0 t + \varphi(t)] \implies \text{SR} = 2\pi\nu_0 V_0$$

$$x(t) = \frac{n(t)}{\text{SR}} \longrightarrow x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi\nu_0} \frac{n(t)}{V_0}$$

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{2\pi\nu_0 n(t)}{\text{SR}} \longrightarrow \varphi(t) = \frac{n(t)}{V_0}$$

phase-type
(φ -type)
noise

$$S_\varphi(f) = \frac{S_n(f)}{V_0^2}$$

constant vs ν_0

End of Lecture #12

End of Lecture #13

Examples and Suggested Exercises

Examples

1. White noise, -150 dBm/Hz
Calculate the power in $B = 10$ MHz centered at $f_0 = 100$ MHz
2. Pure 100 MHz carrier, $+10$ dBm power, sketch the PSD
Assume ideally narrow bandwidth, continuous PSD
3. Pure 100 MHz carrier, $+10$ dBm power, sketch the PSD
Assume discrete PSD, $RBW = 5$ kHz \rightarrow Give the definition of RBW
4. Amplitude-modulated signal,
Carrier $f_0 = 100$ MHz, $P_0 = 10$ dBm
Sidebands $f_m = 500$ Hz, $P_{SB} = 0$ dBm
 - Assume ideally narrow bandwidth, continuous PSD
 - Assume discrete PSD, $RBW = 5$ kHz

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Example 2

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Example 3

- Pure 100 MHz carrier, +10 dBm power, sketch the PSD
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Example 4

Amplitude-modulated signal, sketch the PSD

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Examples & Exercises

1. Calculate the total power transferred from a resistor at $T_2 = 290$ K to a cold ($T_1 = 0$ K)
2. A resistor of temperature $T_R = 4.2$ K is connected to a 6 dB attenuator at the temperature $T_A = 300$ K. Which is the equivalent temperature T_E seen at the other end of the attenuator?
Tip: Trust the 2nd principle of thermodynamics.
3. Same as (1), but the two resistors are connected by WR28 waveguide (21.1-42.2 GHz bandwidth). Assume the cable loss free.
4. Same as (3), but now $T_1 = 77$ K

$$\Phi = \frac{P}{h\nu} \rightarrow \frac{mP}{h\nu} \rightarrow \frac{mP}{hc/\lambda} \quad \frac{0.7 \cdot 10^{-9}}{6.6 \times 10^{34} \cdot 3 \times 10^8 / 1.55 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$mP = 0.7 \times 10^{-9} \\ = 7 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$1.3 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} \\ \approx 0.8 \text{ eV}$$

$$\Phi = 5.4 \times 10^9 \text{ e/s}$$

$$f_c = \frac{1}{2} \Phi = 2.7 \text{ GHz}$$

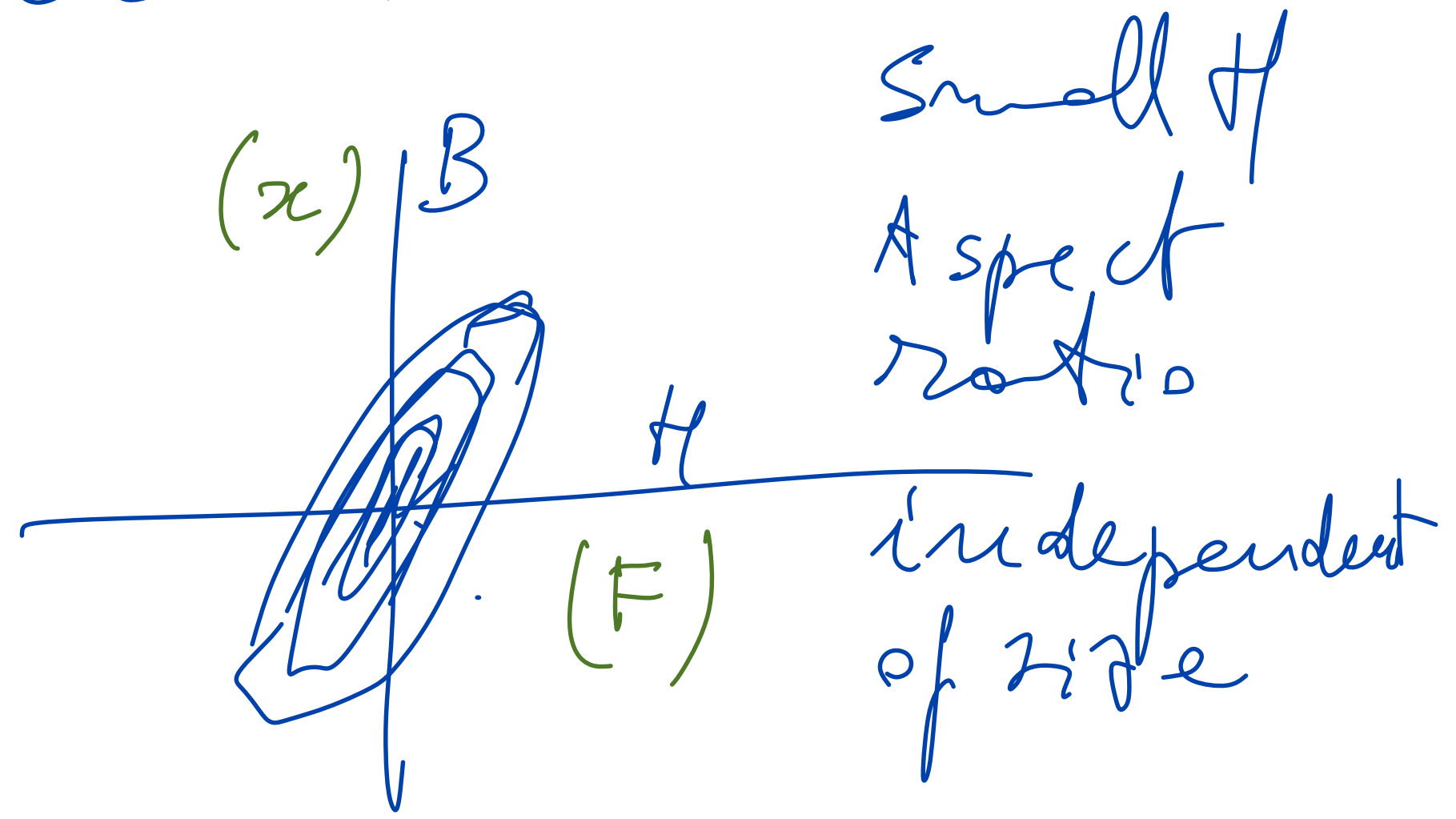
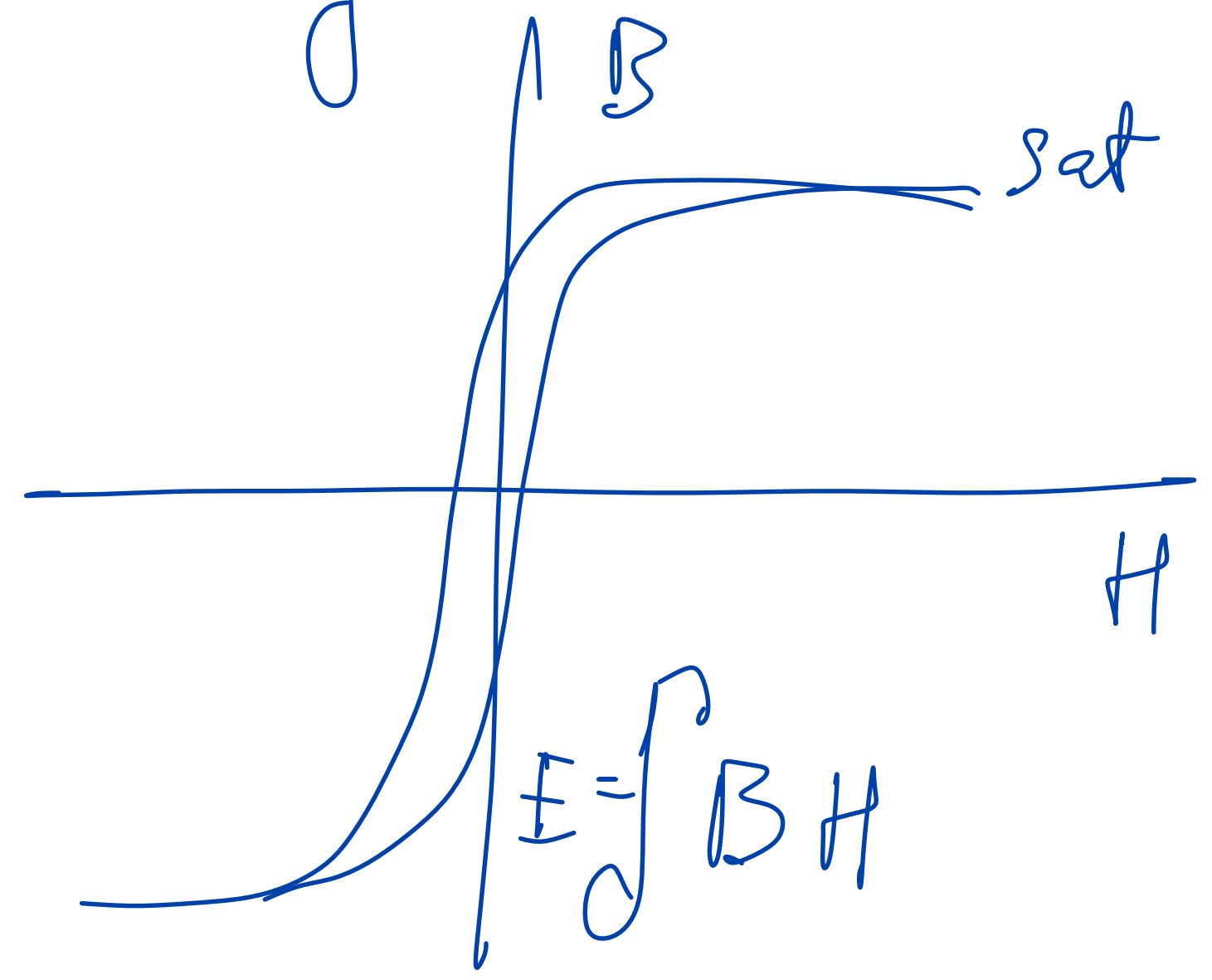
$$S_{\pm} = 2 \Phi \bar{I} \\ = 2.8 \times 10^{-28} \text{ A}^2/\text{Hz}$$

$$\bar{I} = q \Phi = \\ 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \times 5.4 \times 10^9 \\ 8.6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ A}$$

$$\rightarrow 1.7 \times 10^{-14} \text{ A}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} \quad 17 \text{ pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

- Carbon microphones (this is where it was discovered)
- Ferromagnetic materials (Barkhausen effect)
- Semiconductors
- Mechanical stability
- Pulsars
- Nile flooding (!!!)
- ... etc.

Magnetic materials

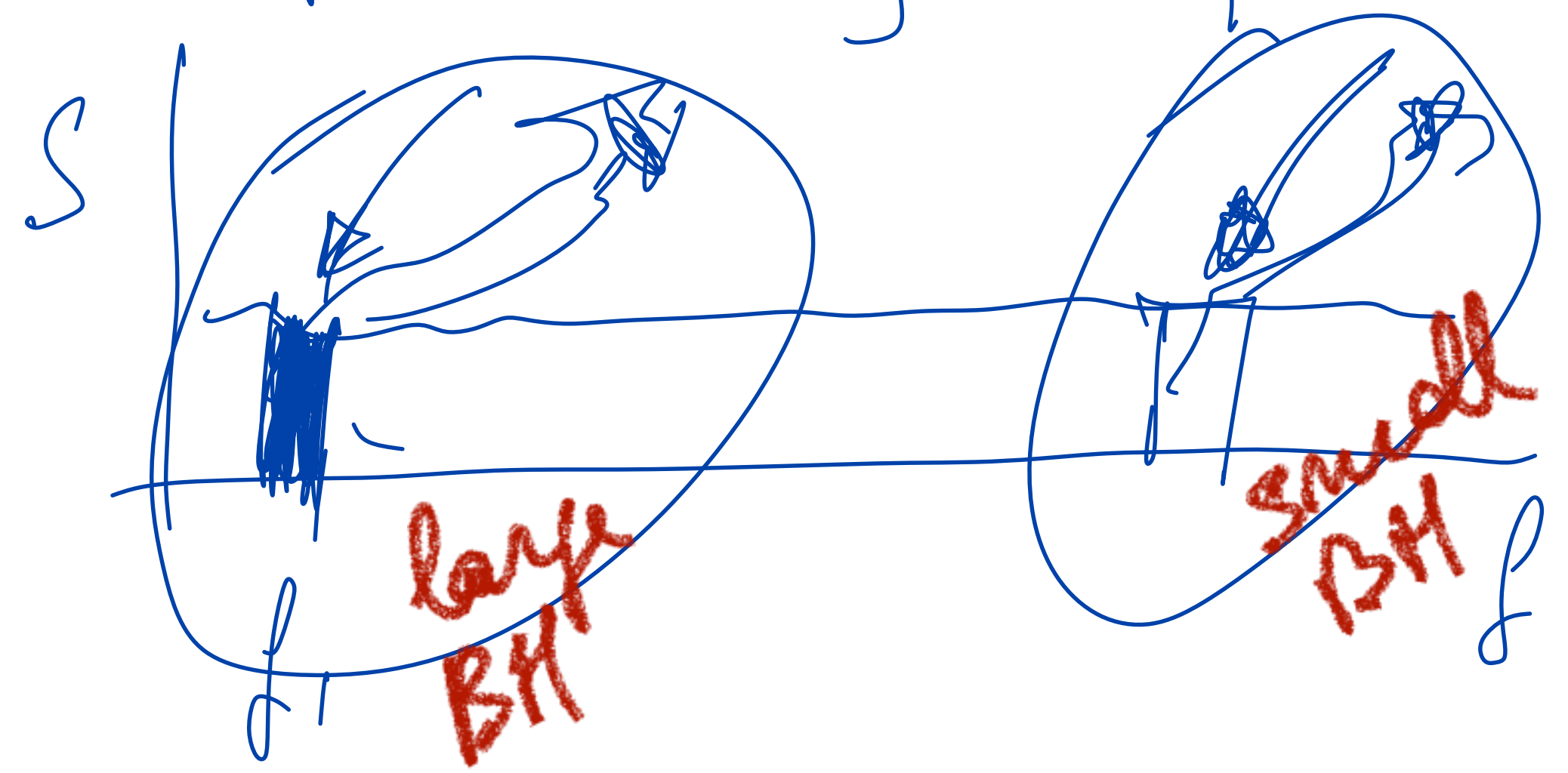


$$\sum H_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$E \sim H_0^2$$

$$P \sim H_0^2 \omega$$

Thermodynamic equilibrium



1-2 T
Weiss
Langmuir

$$x \quad X = \int x(t) e^{i\omega t} dt \quad \left[\frac{V}{\text{Hz}} \right]$$

$\nearrow [V]$ $\nwarrow [s]$

$$\int [V^2/\text{Hz}] \quad [Hz^{-1}]$$

$$|X|^2 \quad [V^2/\text{Hz}^2]$$

$f > 0$, energy conservation

$$\frac{2}{T} |X|^2 \quad [V^2/\text{Hz}]$$

\rightarrow acquisition time

The End