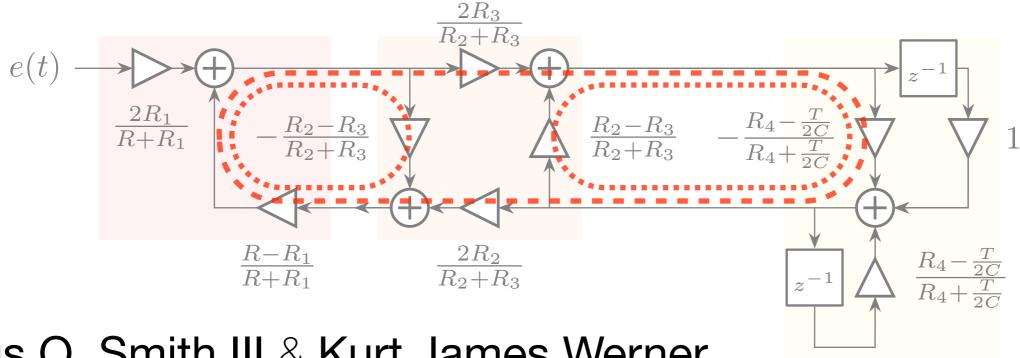
# recent progress in Wave Digital Audio Effects



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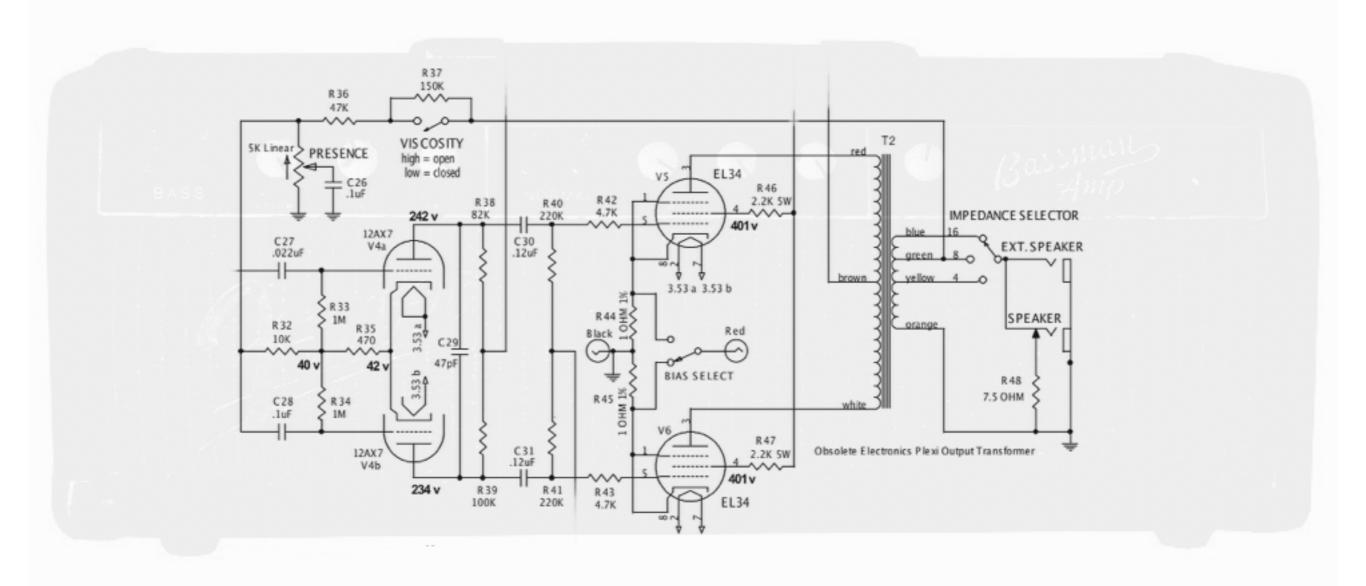
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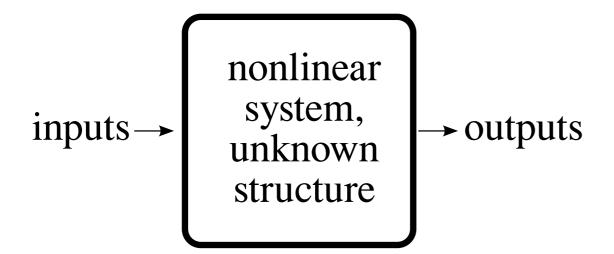


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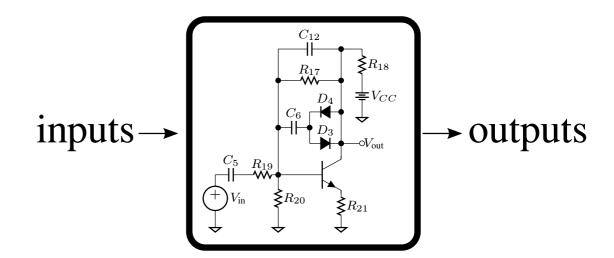
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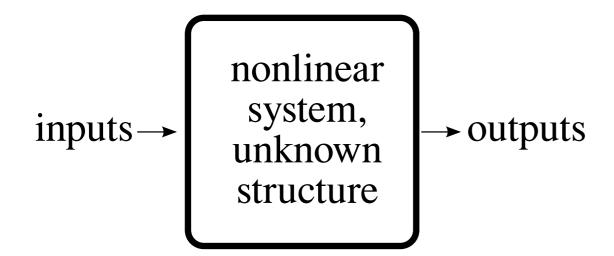


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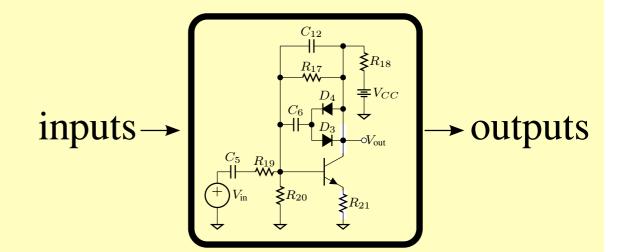
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- "Please, no more math!!!"

  "Just show us how to code it up..."

#### WAVE DIGITAL FILTER HISTORY

- 1970–1986 : early research (Alfred Fettweis et al.)
- 1989—present : nonlinear theory
- 1996—present: virtual analog / physical modeling applications

## WAVE DIGITAL FILTER BASICS

### WDF approach involves:

introduction of free parameter (port resistance) at each port:

$$R_n > 0$$
, for each port  $n$ 

introduction of wave variables:

$$a_n = v_n + R_n i_n$$
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- resolve delay-free loops by tuning port impedances

#### WAVE DIGITAL FILTER BASICS

## closely related to **Digital Waveguides** (DWG), where:

wave propagation characterized by *physical* transmission impedance

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$$v_n^+ = (1/2)v_n + (R_n/2)i_n$$
  
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• discretization of lumped impedances (bridge, nut, etc.) using the Bilinear transformation:  $\frac{1-z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}}$ 

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- propagation delay decouples elements

#### WAVE DIGITAL FILTER BASICS

#### difference between **WDF**s and **DWG**s???

- abstract vs. physical meaning of port impedances
- slight different in variable definition and notation
- WDFs have an extra layer of realizability issues—they can be considered DWGs with *length-zero* transmission lines
- basic DWG formulation is distributed—waves are observed
- basic WDF formulation is lumped...why wave variables then?

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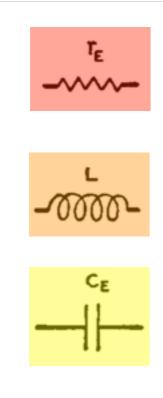
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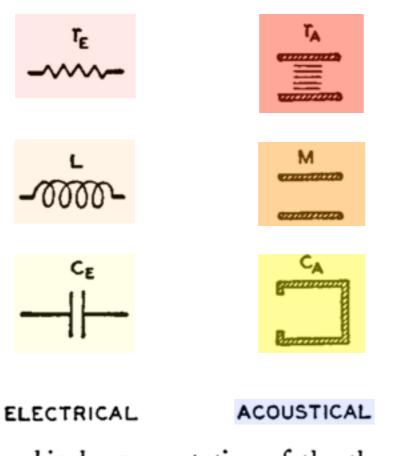


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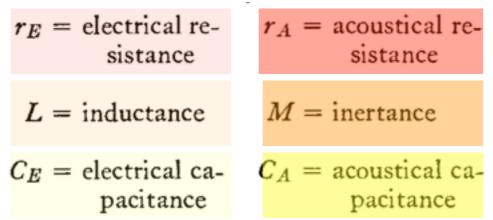
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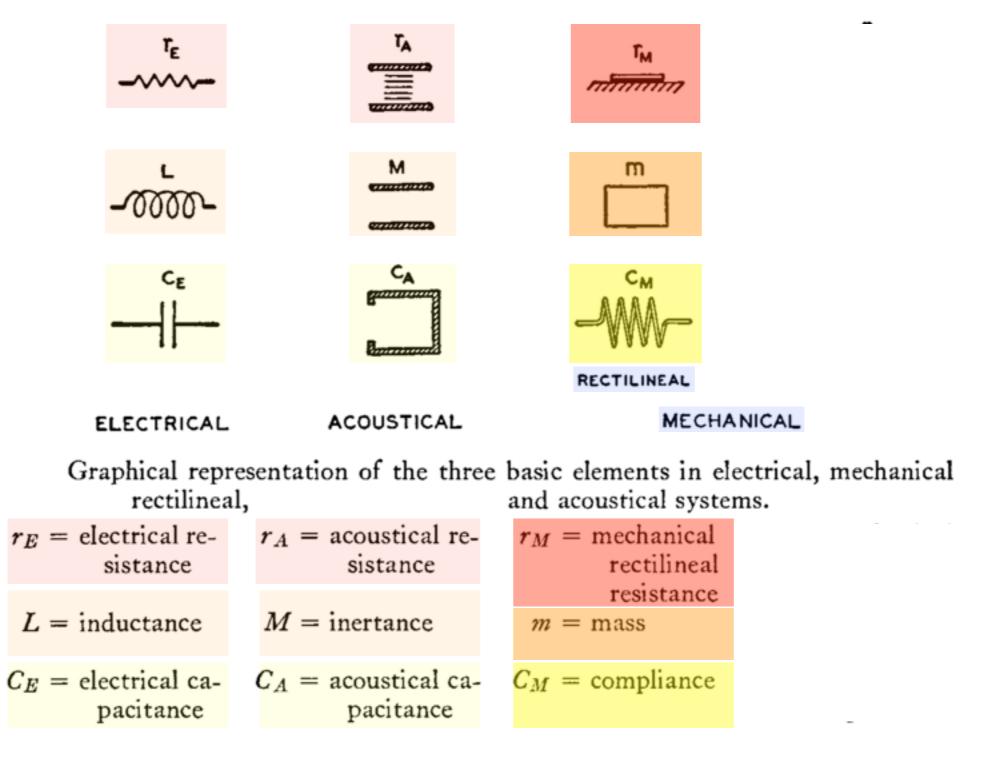
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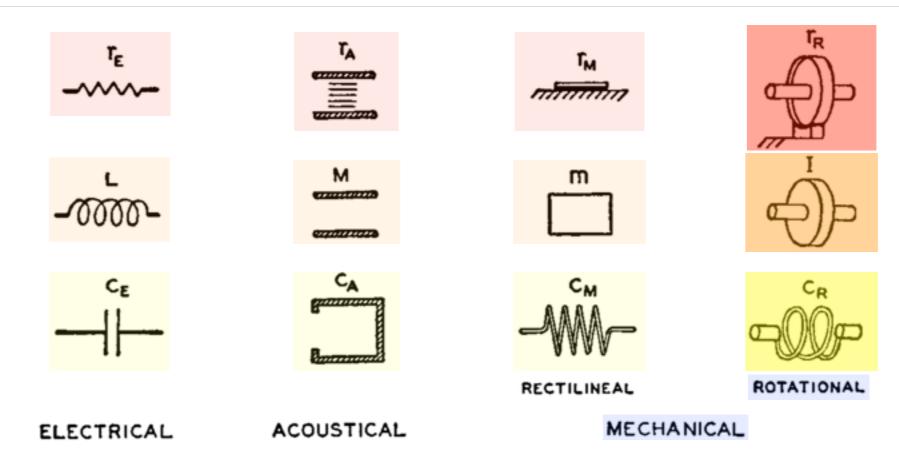
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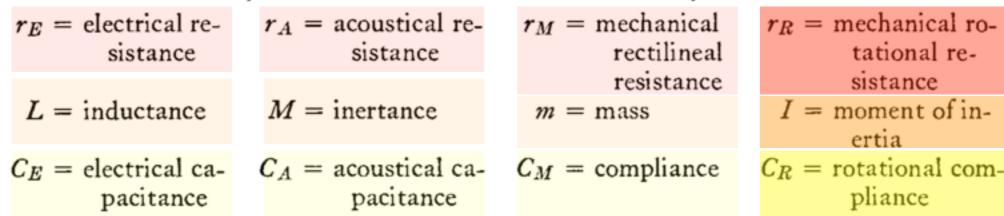


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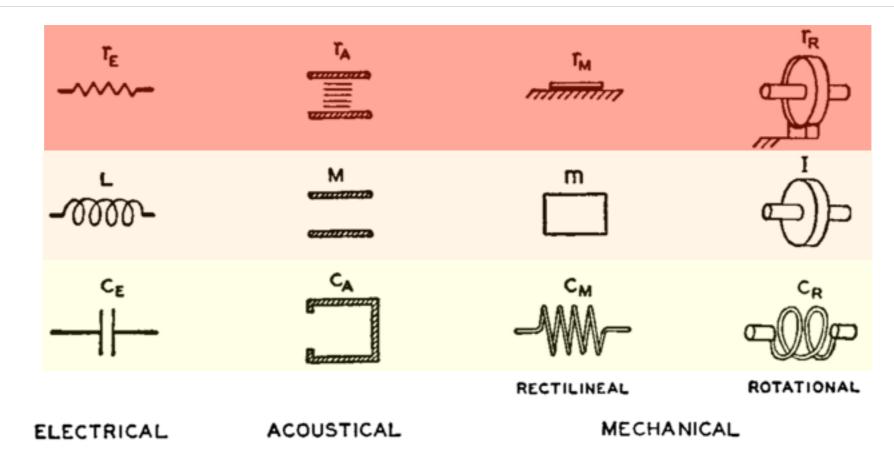


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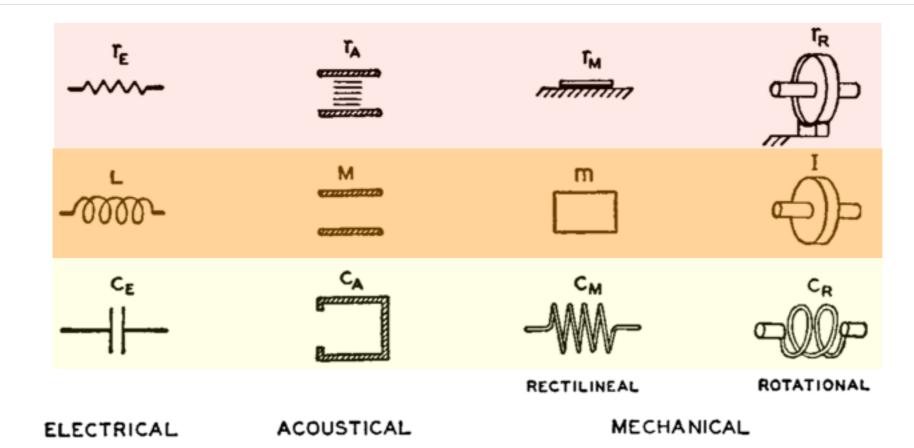


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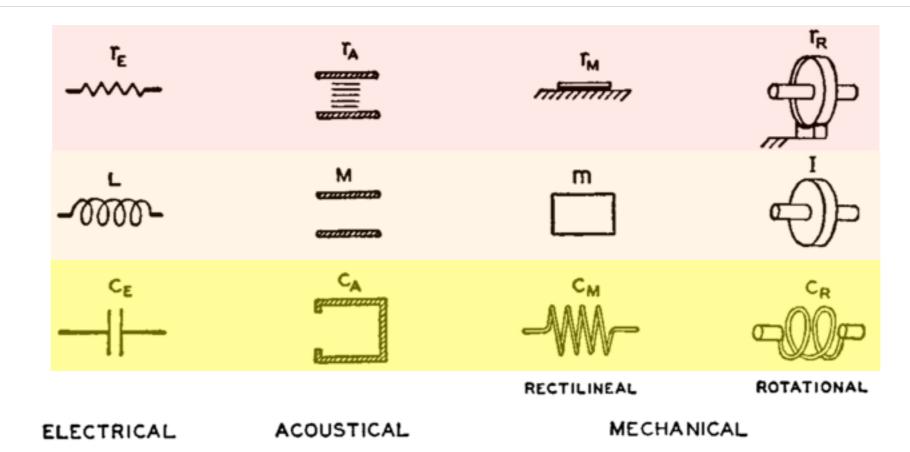
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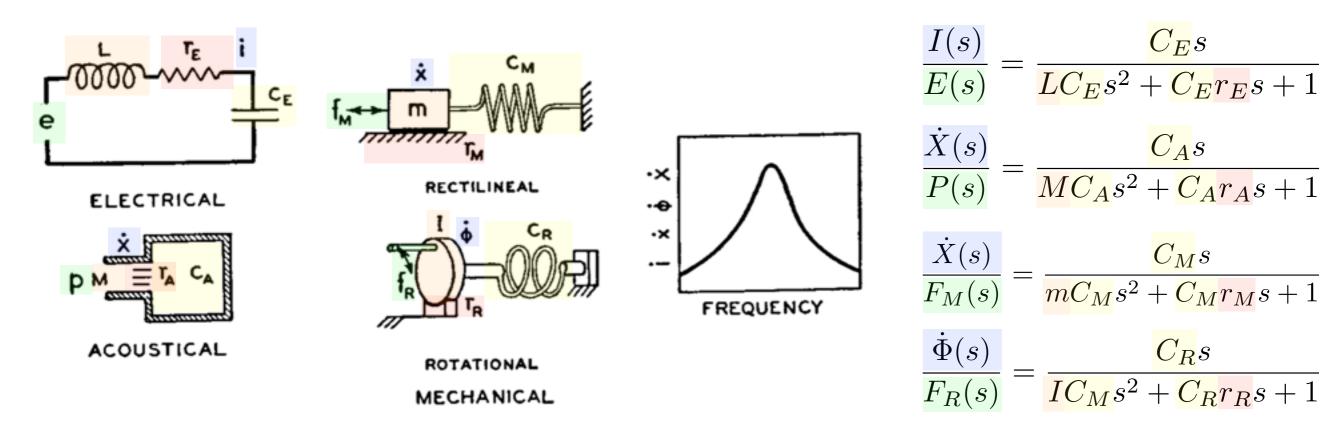
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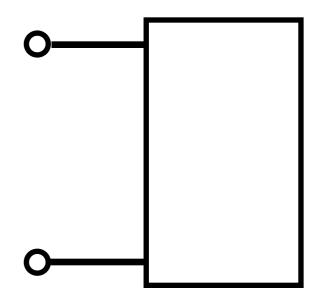


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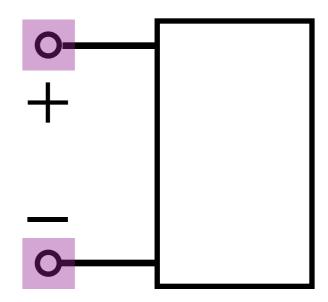


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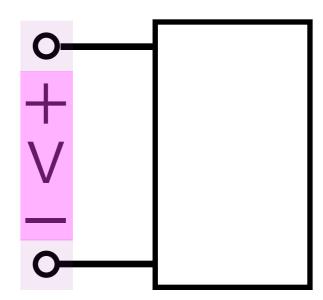


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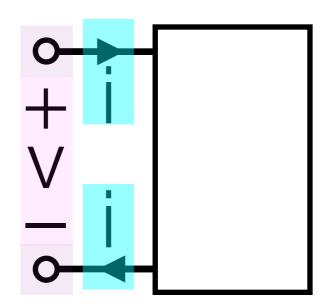
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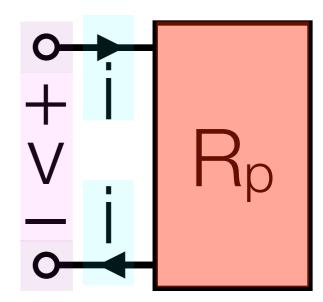
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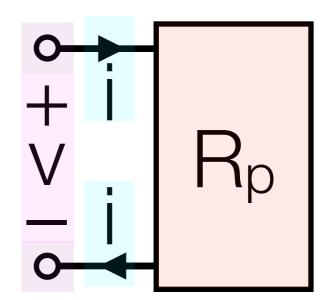


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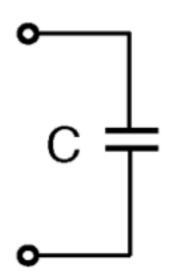
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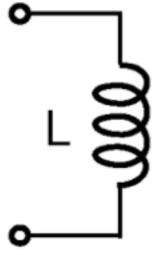
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Matti Karjalainen, "Efficient realization of wave digital components for physical modeling and sound synthesis," IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech, and language Processing, July 2008.

## **NETWORK THEORY** (n-ports)

- connected ports have equal port resistance
- 2-ports (e.g. transformers, parallel/series connections)
- 3-ports (e.g. parallel/series connections)
- 4+ ports, etc.
- mismatches of port resistance and topological aspects handled by "adaptors", where "scattering" of wave variables occurs

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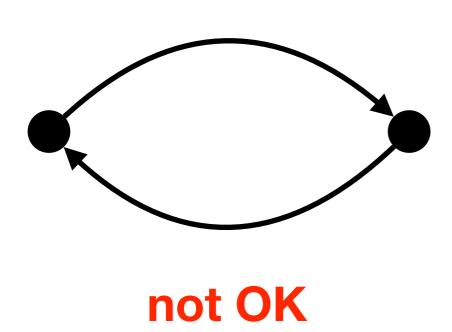
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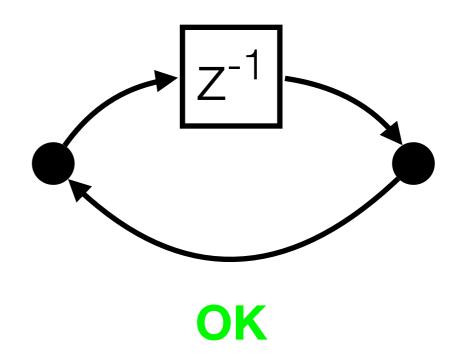
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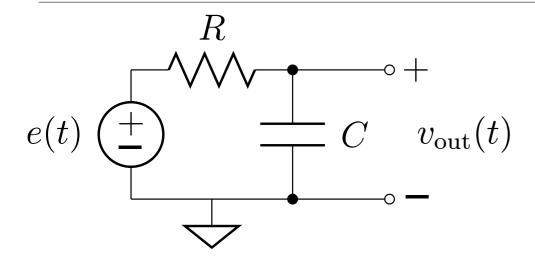
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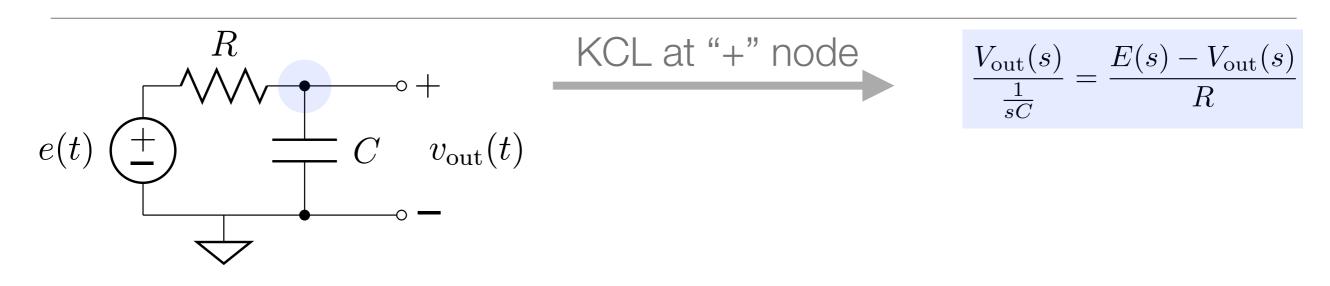
mutual, instantaneous dependence or "delay-free loop" (**implicit**)

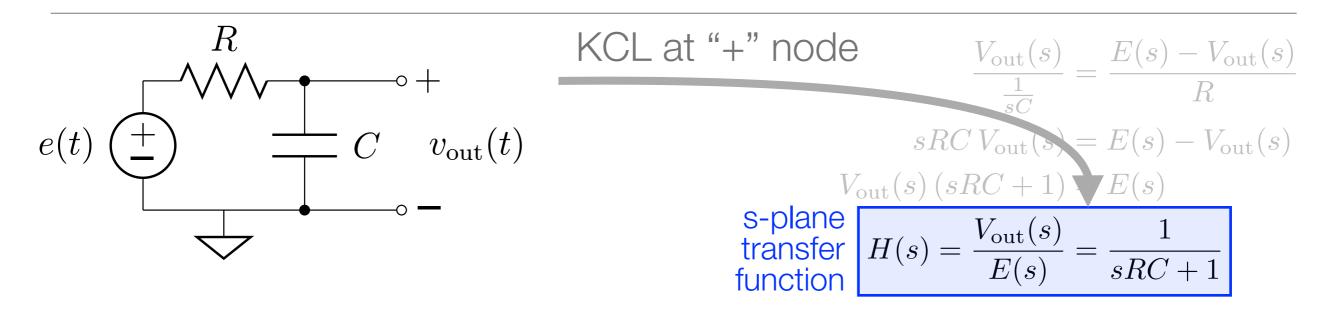


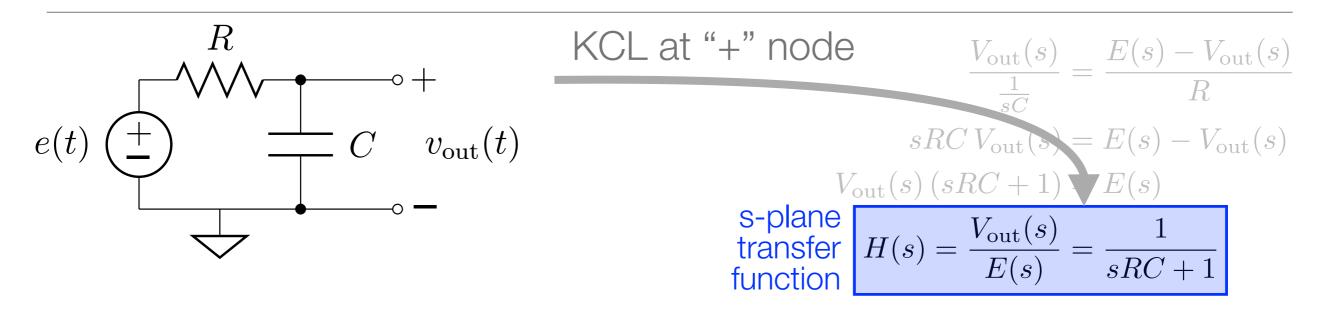
delay makes things computable (**explicit**)



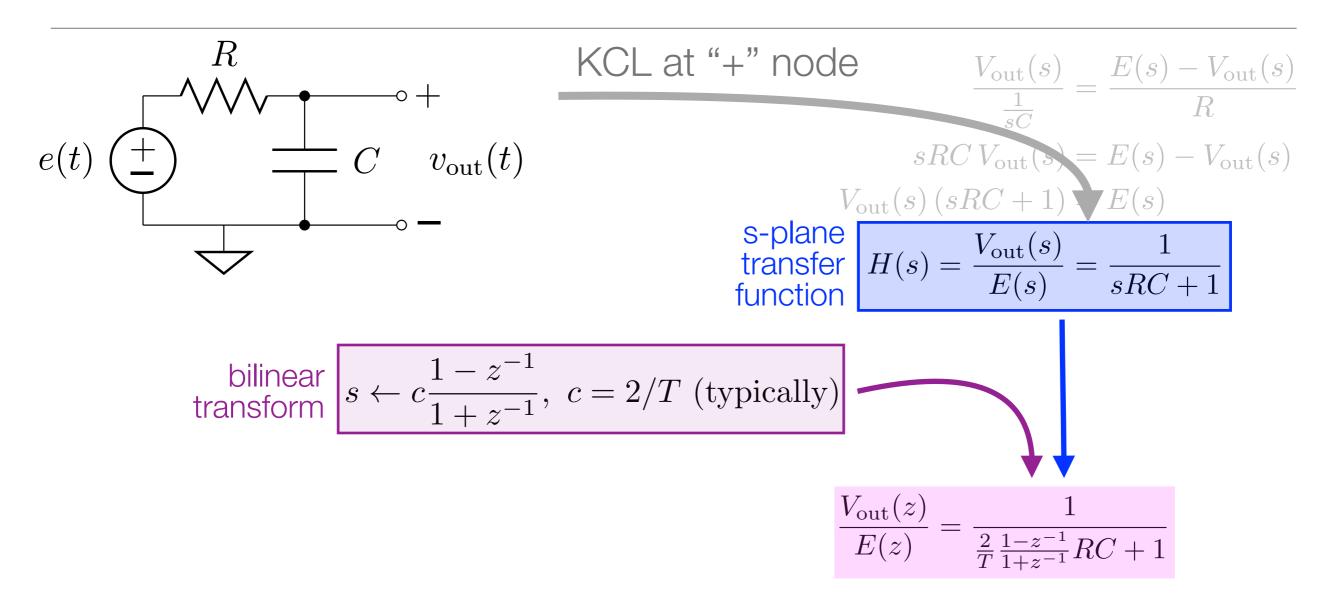


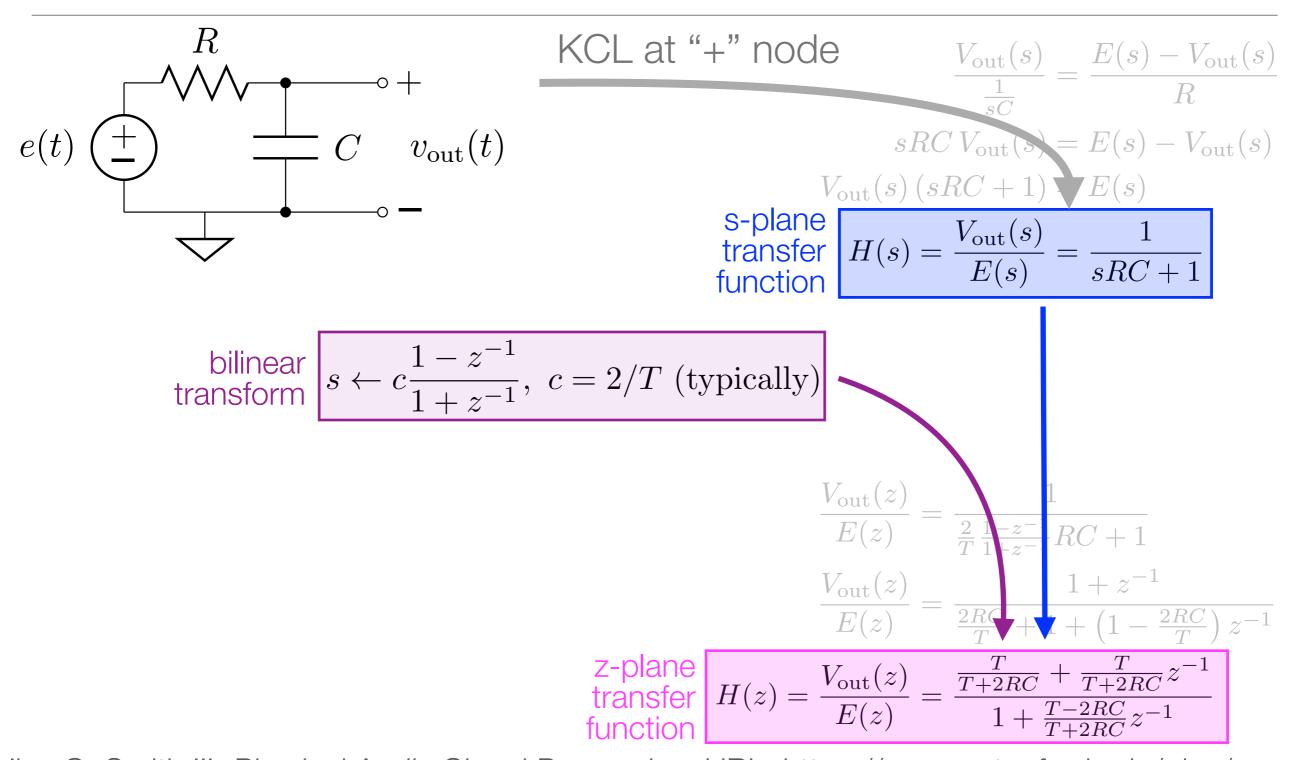




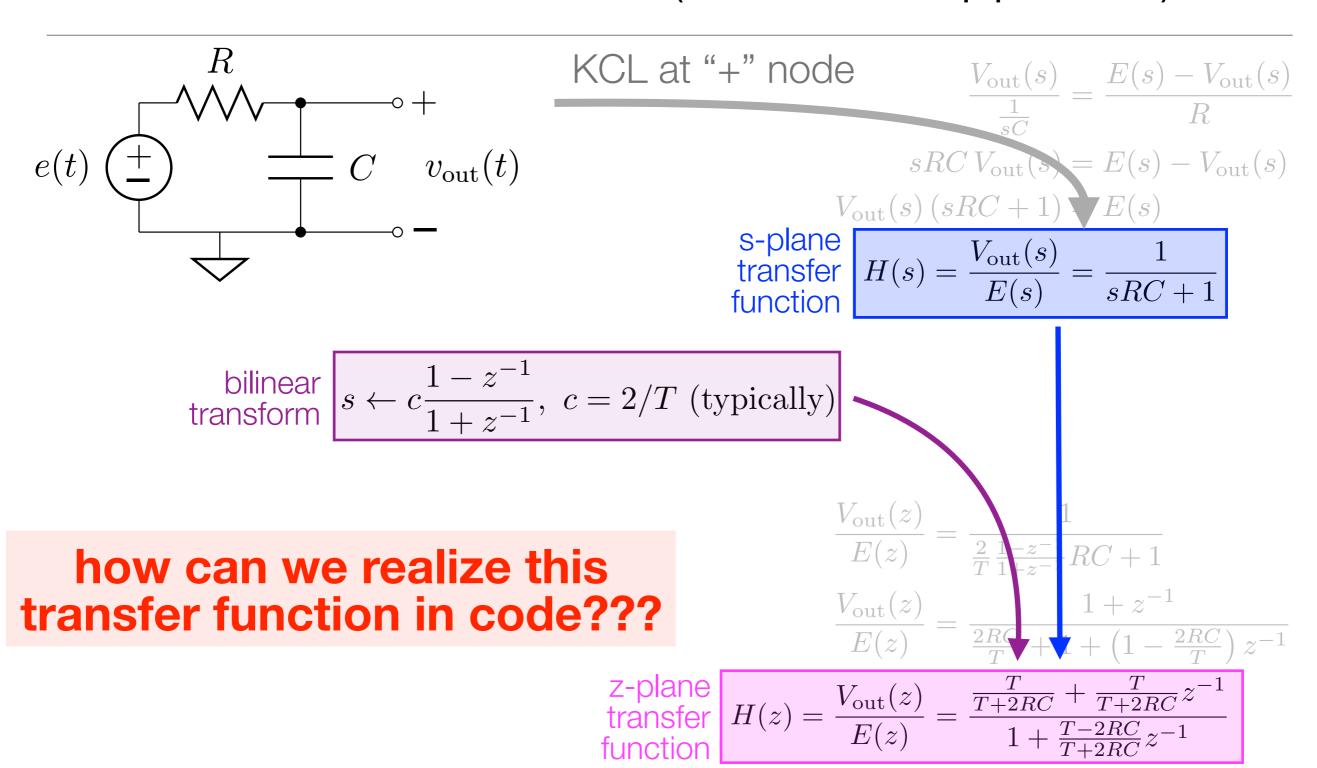


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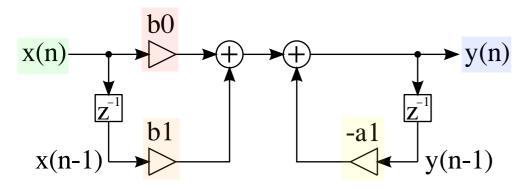


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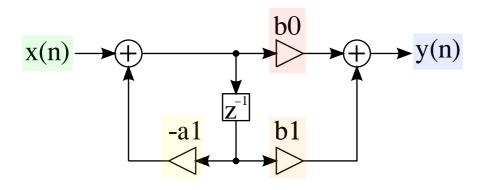


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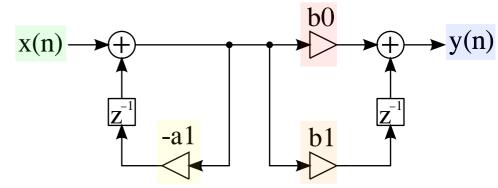
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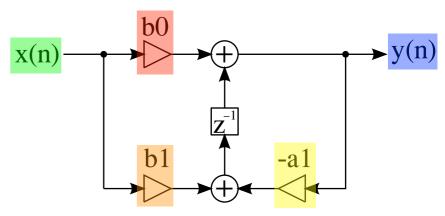
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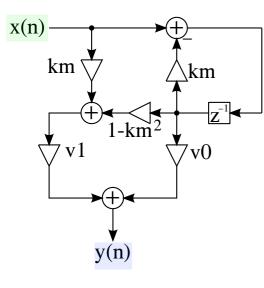


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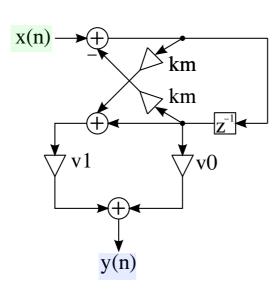


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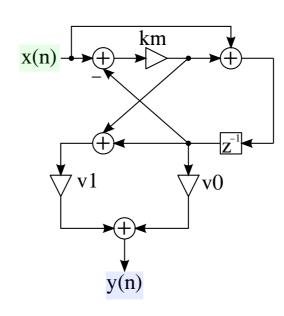
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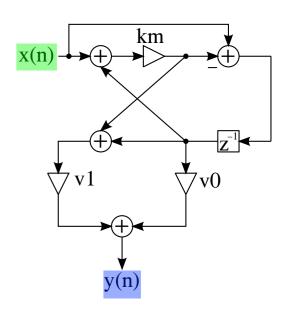
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one multiplier form (A)



one multiplier form (B)

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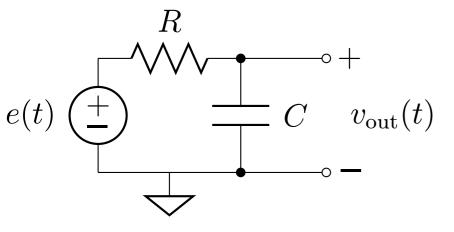
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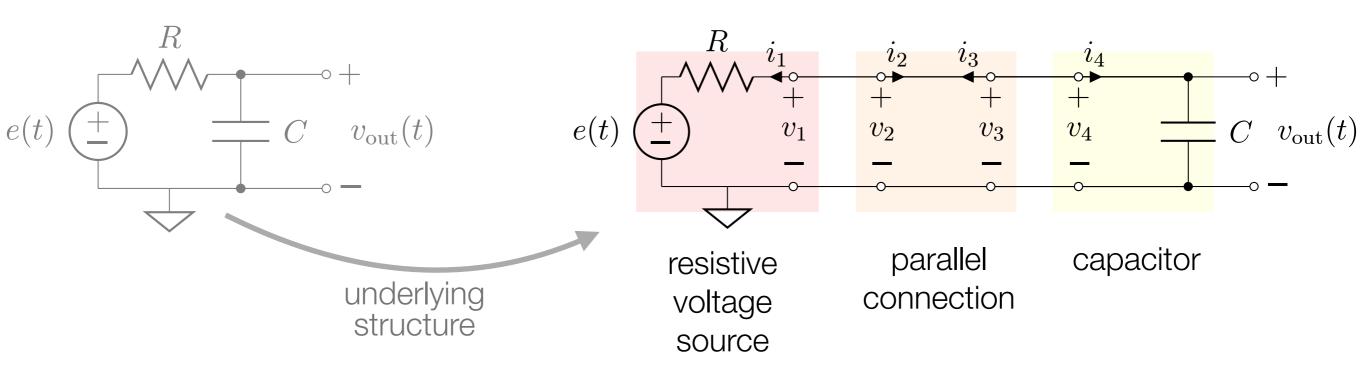
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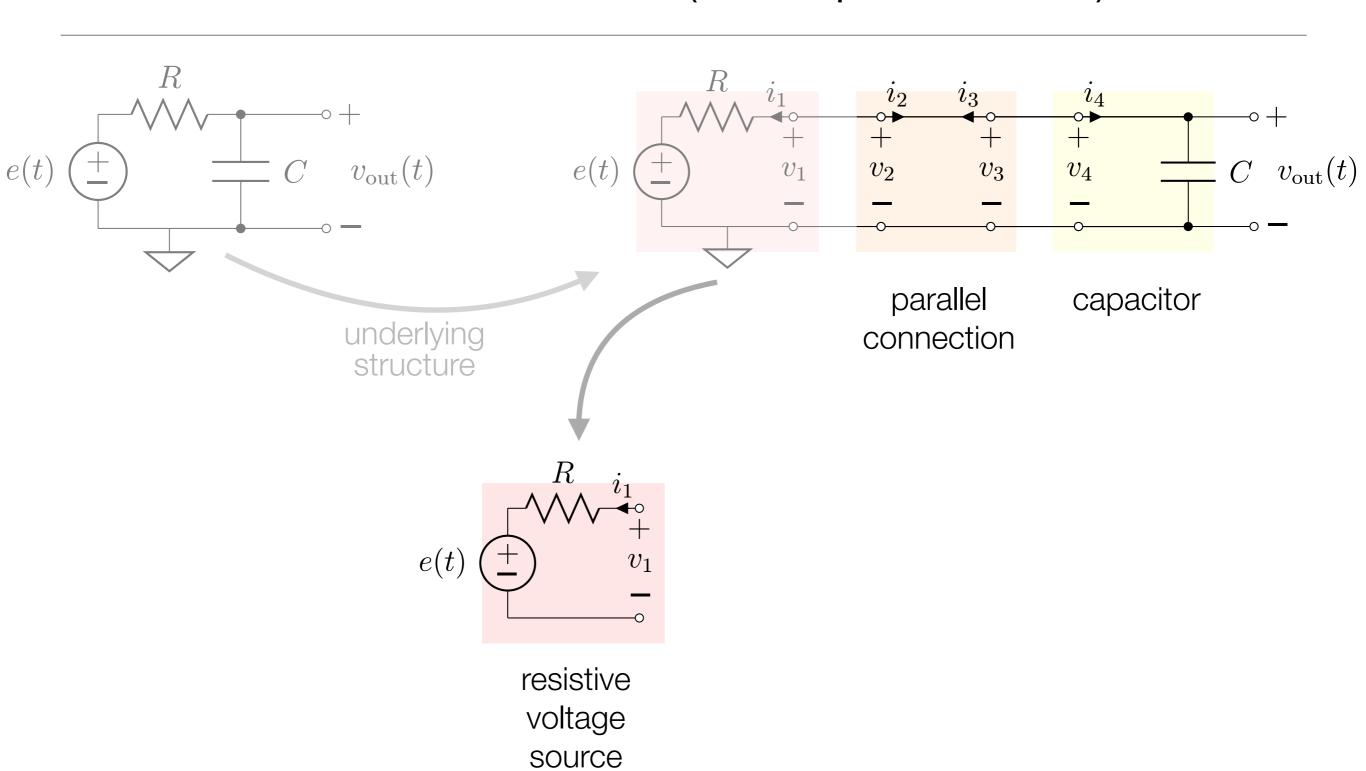
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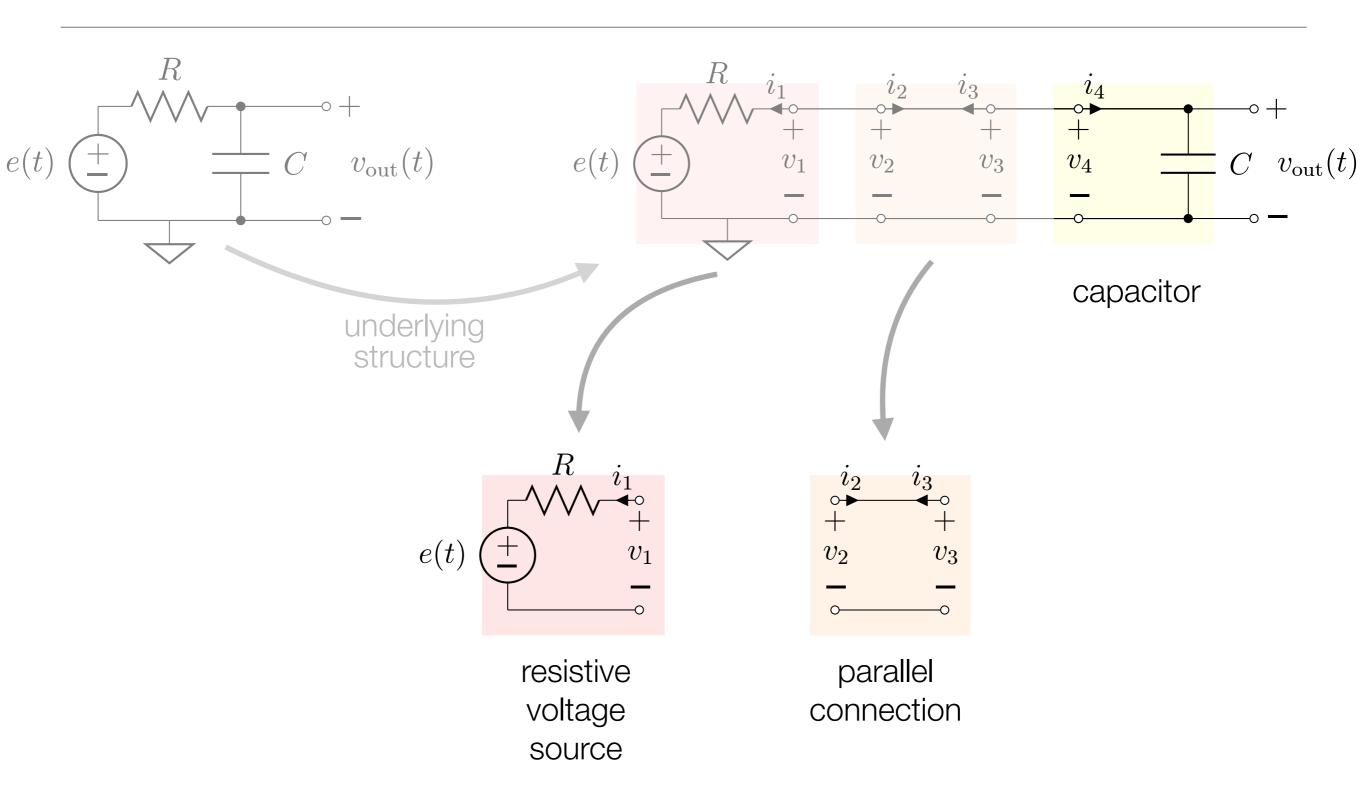
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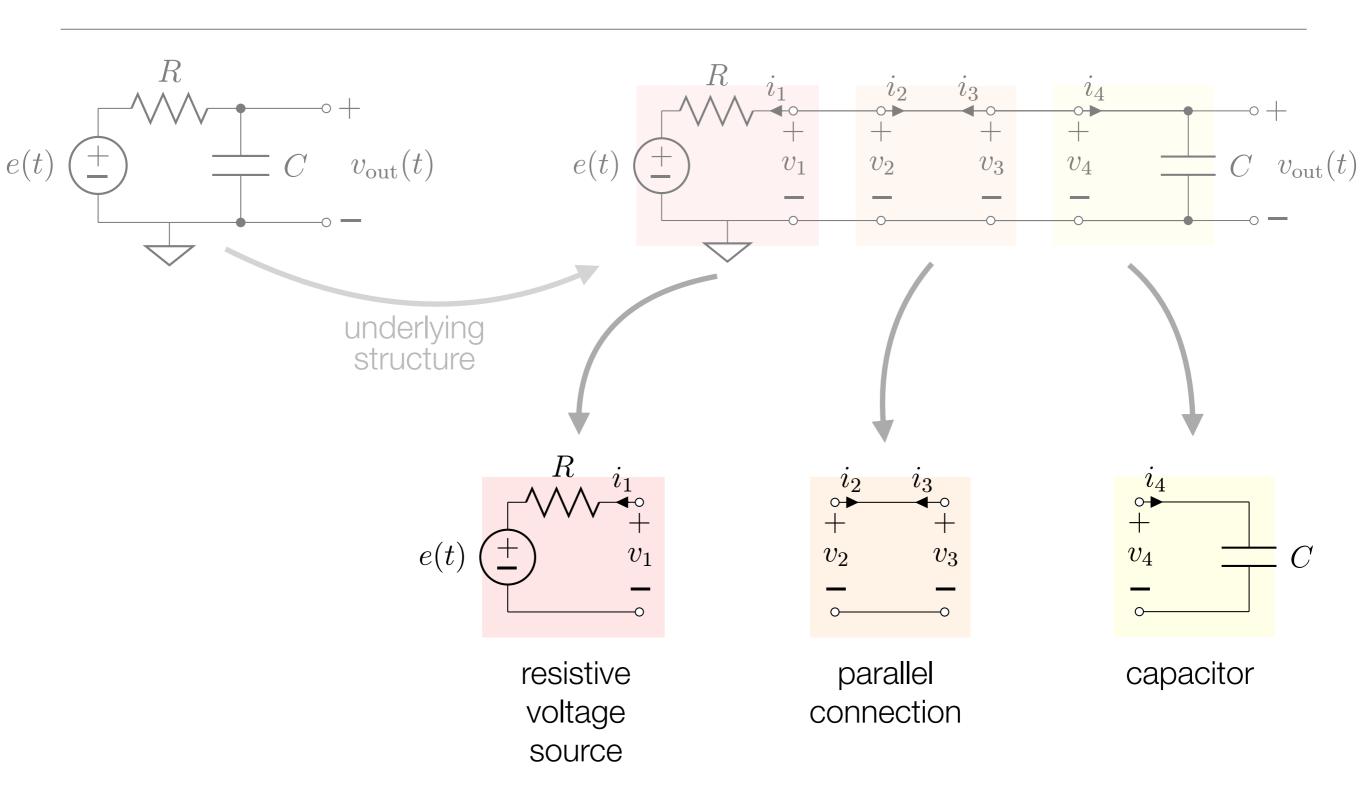
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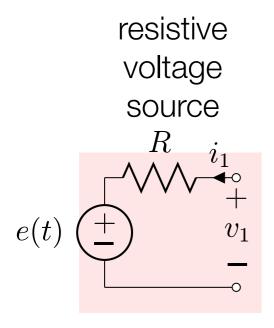


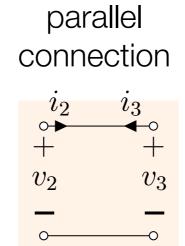


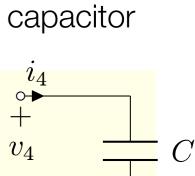


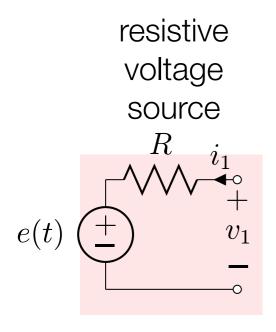


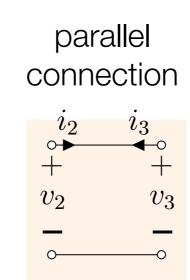


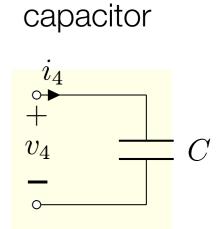




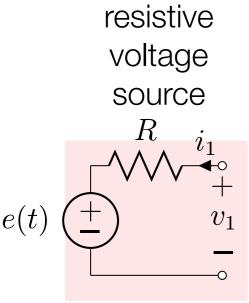


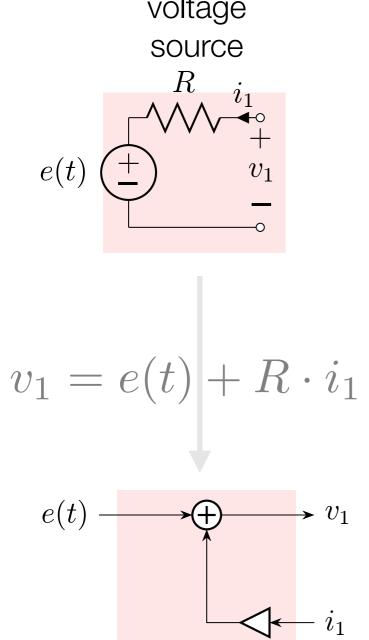


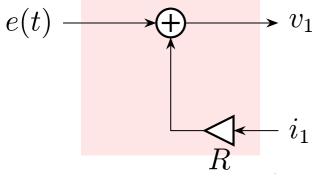




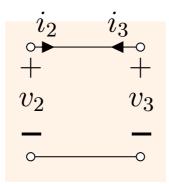
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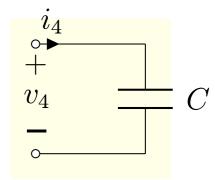




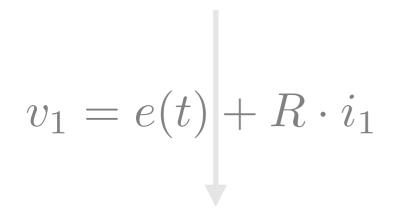


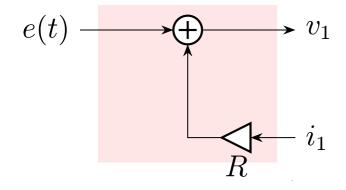
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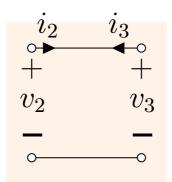


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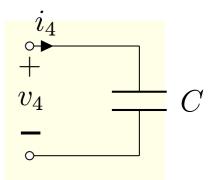


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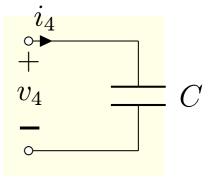
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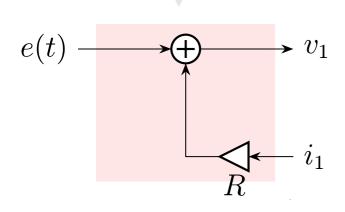
$$i_2 = -i_3$$



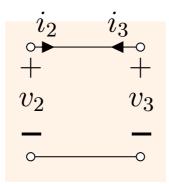
resistive voltage source  $v_1 = e(t) + R \cdot i_1$ e(t)

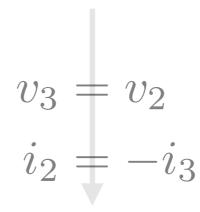
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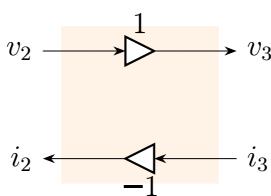


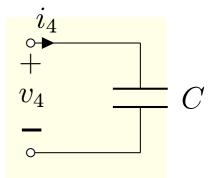


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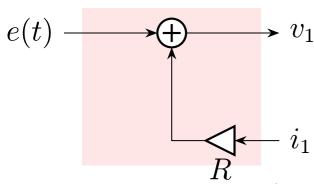




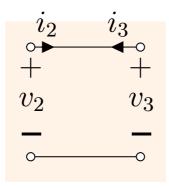


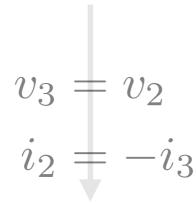
$$i_4 = sC \cdot v_4$$

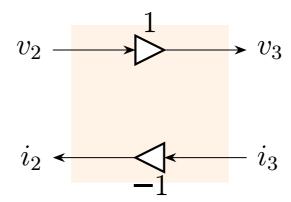
resistive voltage source  $v_1 = e(t) | + R \cdot i_1$ 

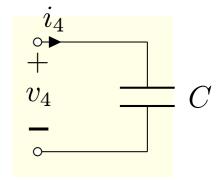


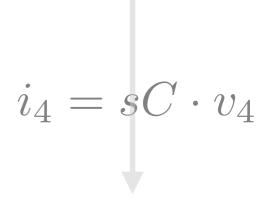
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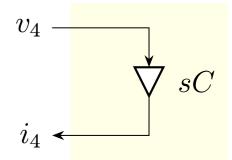


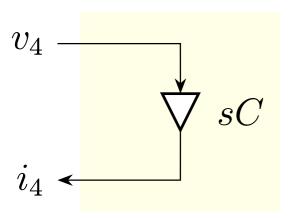


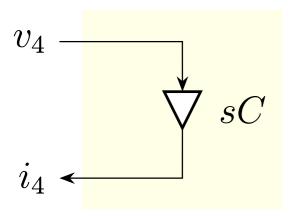




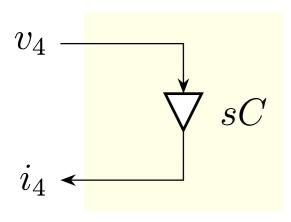




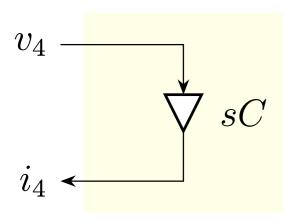




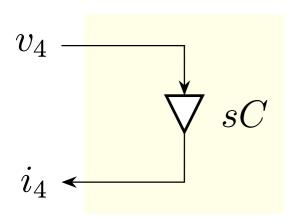
$$V_4(s) = I_4(s) \frac{1}{sC}$$



$$V_4(s)=I_4(s)rac{1}{sC}$$
 bilinear transform  $s\leftarrow crac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}},\,c=2/T$  (typically)  $V_4(z)=I_4(z)rac{1}{rac{2}{T}rac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}C}$ 

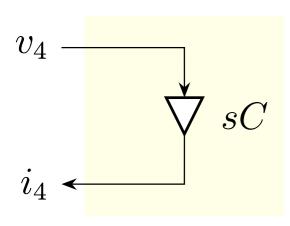


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$$V_4(s)=I_4(s)rac{1}{sC}$$
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$$v_4[n] - v_4[n-1] = \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n] + \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n-1]$$



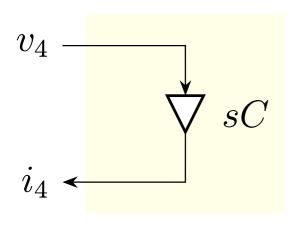
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inverse z transform 
$$x[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ X(z) \right\}$$

$$v_4[n] - v_4[n-1] = \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n] + \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n-1]$$

difference equation 
$$i_4[n] = \frac{2C}{T}v_4[n] - \frac{2C}{T}v_4[n-1] - i_4[n-1]$$

capacitor (continuous time)



$$V_4(s) = I_4(s) \frac{1}{sC}$$

bilinear transform  $s \leftarrow c \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}, \ c = 2/T \ (typically)$ 

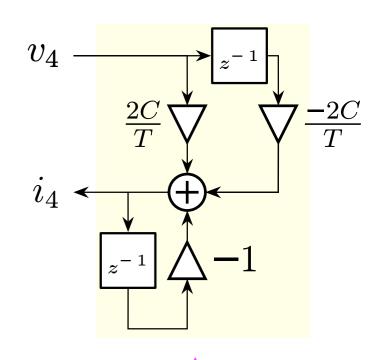
$$V_4(z) = I_4(z) \frac{1}{\frac{2}{T} \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}C}$$

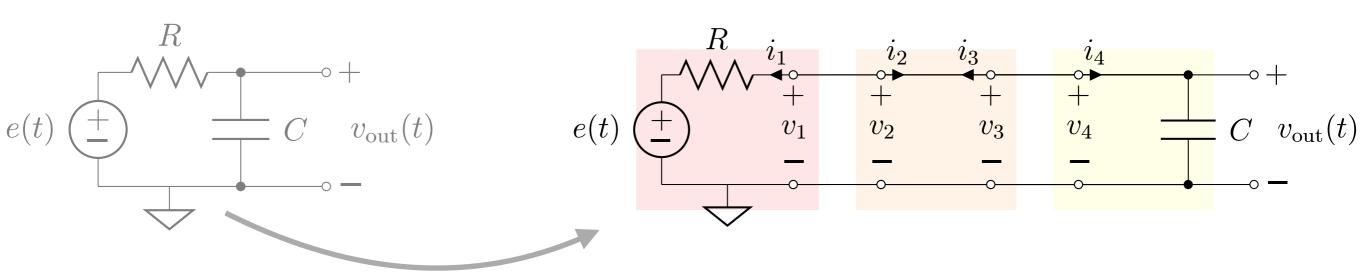
$$V_4(z) = I_4(z) \frac{T}{2C} \frac{1+z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}}$$

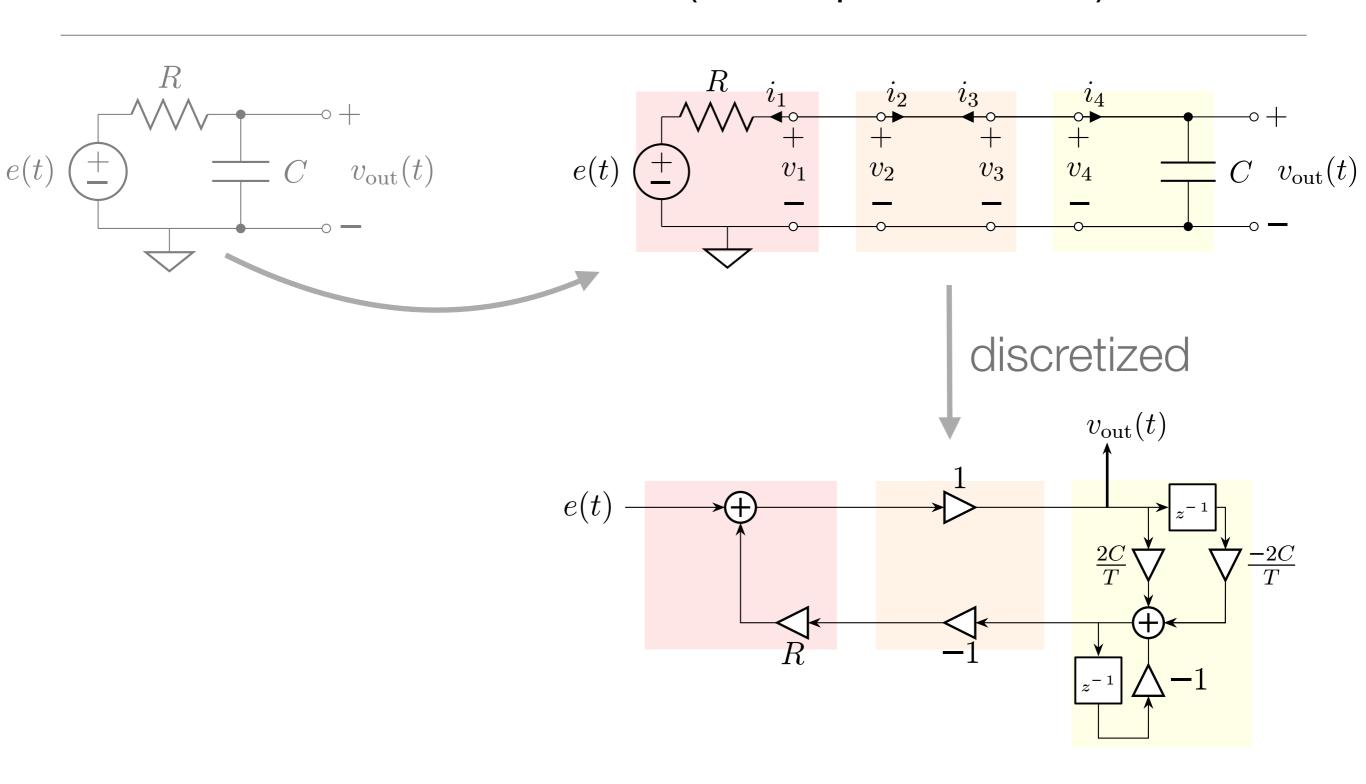
inverse z transform  $x[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \{X(z)\}$ 

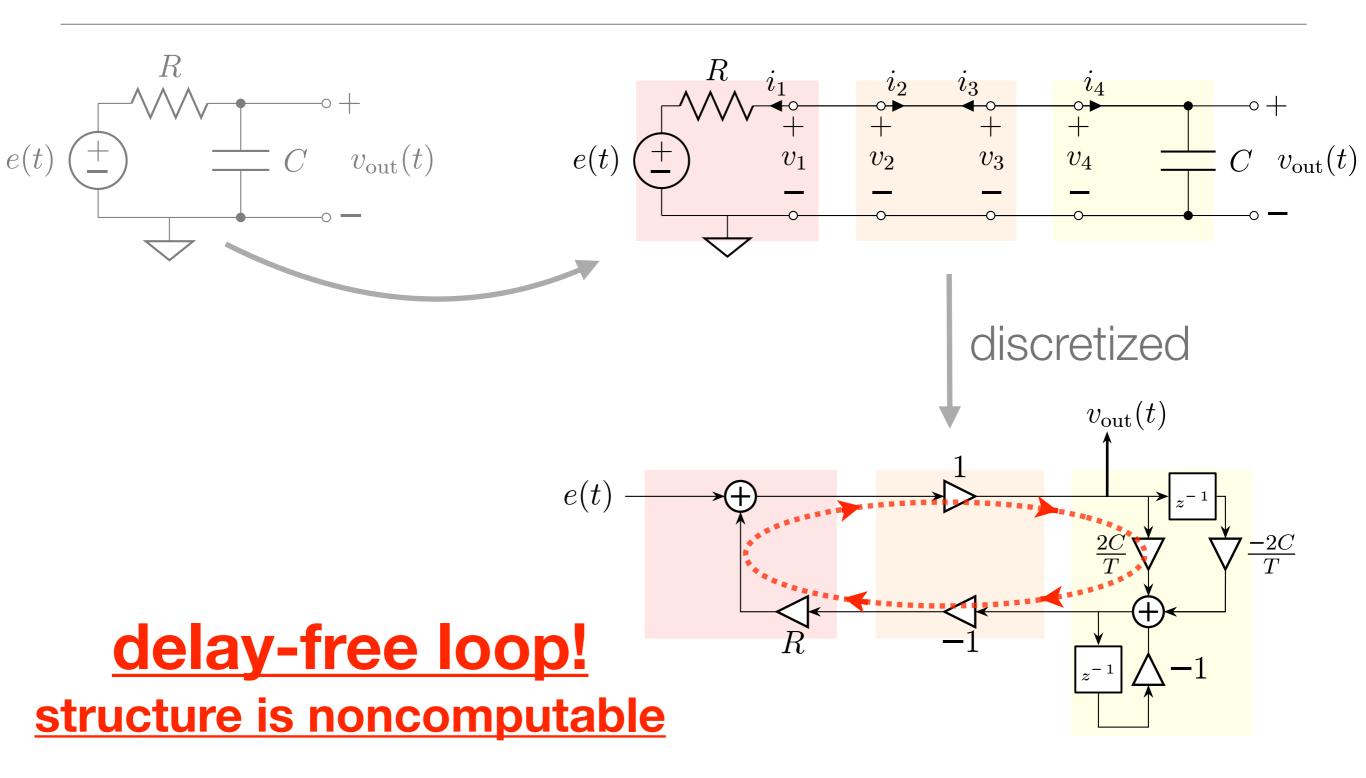
$$v_4[n] - v_4[n-1] = \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n] + \frac{T}{2C}i_4[n-1]$$

difference equation 
$$i_4[n] = \frac{2C}{T}v_4[n] - \frac{2C}{T}v_4[n-1] - i_4[n-1]$$









#### DISCRETIZE RC NETWORK (WDF approach)

#### WDF approach involves:

introduction of free parameter (port resistance) at each port:

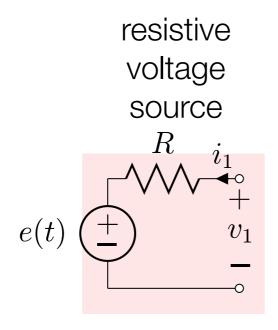
$$R_n > 0$$
, for each port  $n$ 

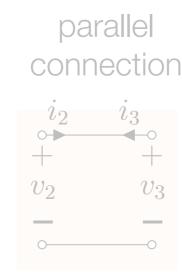
• introduction of wave variables:  $a_n = v_n + R_n i_n$ 

$$b_n = v_n - R_n i_n$$

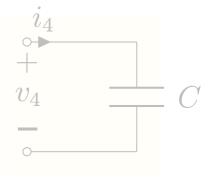
 discretization of reactive elements (capacitors, inductors) using the Bilinear transformation:

$$s \leftarrow c \frac{1-z^{-1}}{1+z^{-1}}, \ c = 2/T \text{ (typically)}$$





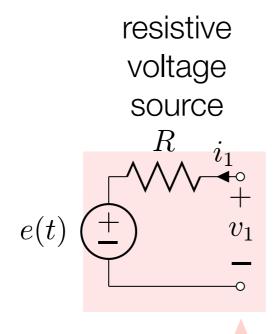




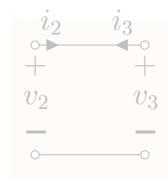
port resistance:

incident wave:

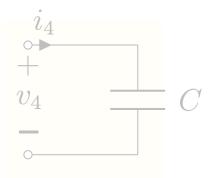
reflected wave:



parallel connection



capacitor

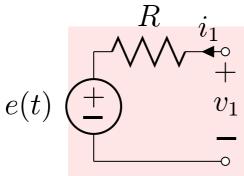


port resistance:

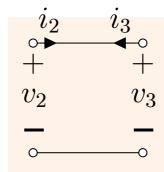
incident wave: reflected wave:

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
$$b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$$

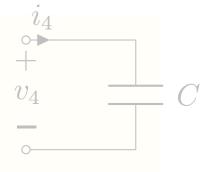
resistive voltage source



parallel connection



capacitor



port resistance:

incident wave: reflected wave:  $R_1$ 

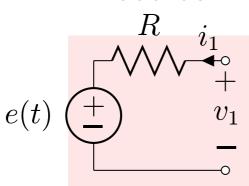
$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$ 

$$b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$$
  $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$ 

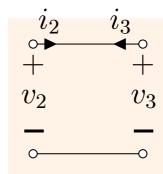
$$a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$$

$$b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$$

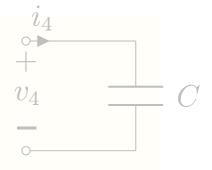
resistive voltage source



parallel connection



capacitor



port resistance:

incident wave: reflected wave:  $R_1$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$ 

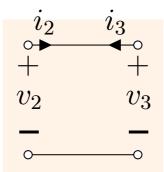
 $R_2$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$   $a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$   
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$   $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$   $b_3 = v_3 - R_3 i_3$ 

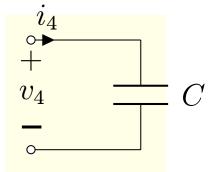
$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$   $a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$   
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$   $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$   $b_3 = v_3 - R_3 i_3$ 

resistive voltage source e(t)

parallel connection



capacitor



port resistance:

incident wave: reflected wave:  $R_1$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
$$b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$$

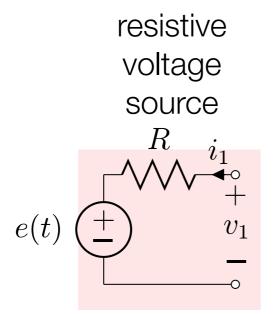
 $R_2$ 

$$a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$$
$$b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$$

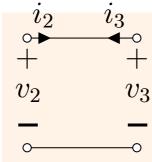
 $R_3$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$   $a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$   $a_4 = v_4 + R_4 i_4$   
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$   $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$   $b_3 = v_3 - R_3 i_3$   $b_4 = v_4 - R_4 i_4$ 

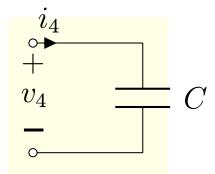
$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$   $a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$   $a_4 = v_4 + R_4 i_4$   
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$   $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$   $b_3 = v_3 - R_3 i_3$   $b_4 = v_4 - R_4 i_4$ 







capacitor



port resistance:

incident wave: reflected wave:  $R_1$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$ 

 $R_2$ 

$$a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$$

$$b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$$

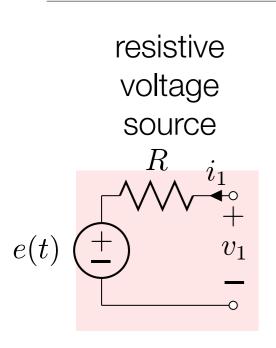
 $R_3$ 

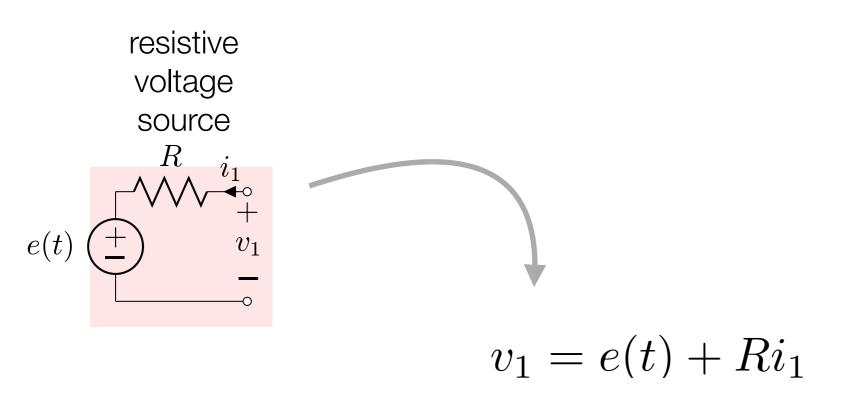
$$a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$$
  
 $b_2 - v_2 - R_2 i_3$ 

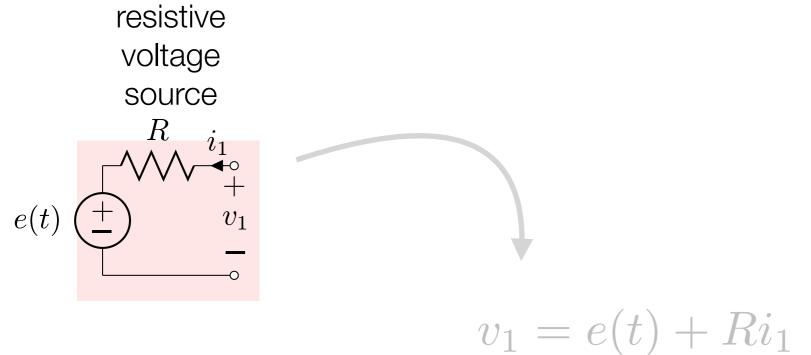
 $R_4$ 

$$a_1 = v_1 + R_1 i_1$$
  $a_2 = v_2 + R_2 i_2$   $a_3 = v_3 + R_3 i_3$   $a_4 = v_4 + R_4 i_4$   
 $b_1 = v_1 - R_1 i_1$   $b_2 = v_2 - R_2 i_2$   $b_3 = v_3 - R_3 i_3$   $b_4 = v_4 - R_4 i_4$ 

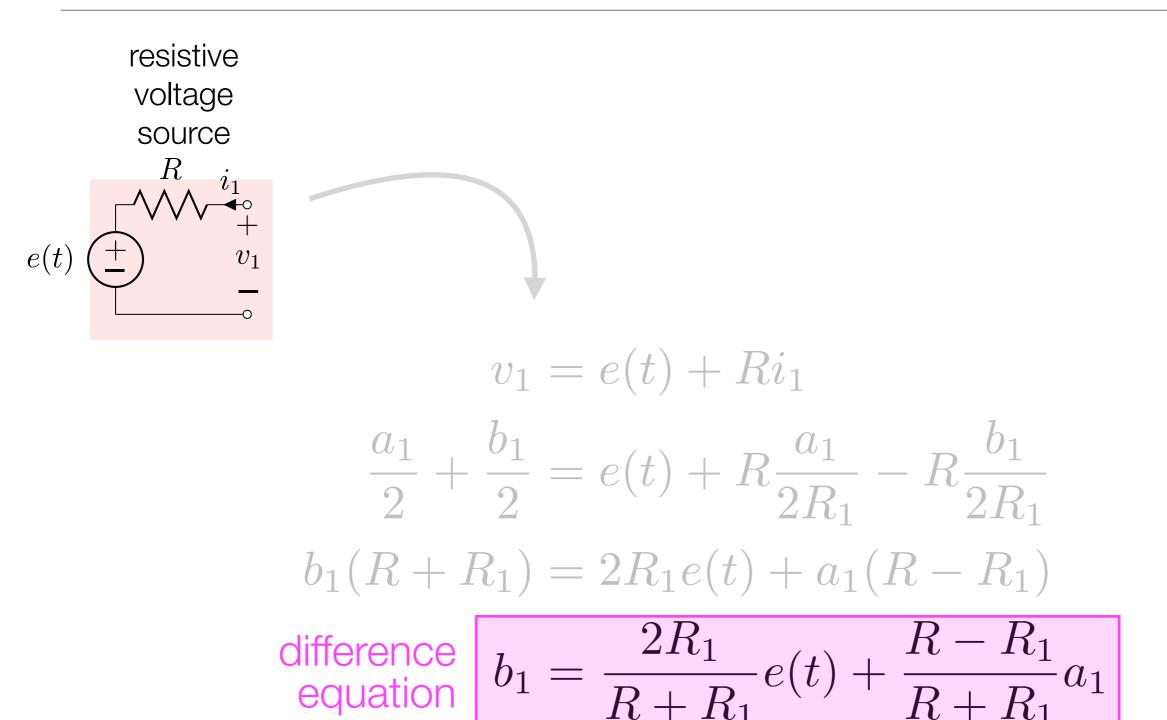
we gained four tunable degrees of freedom:

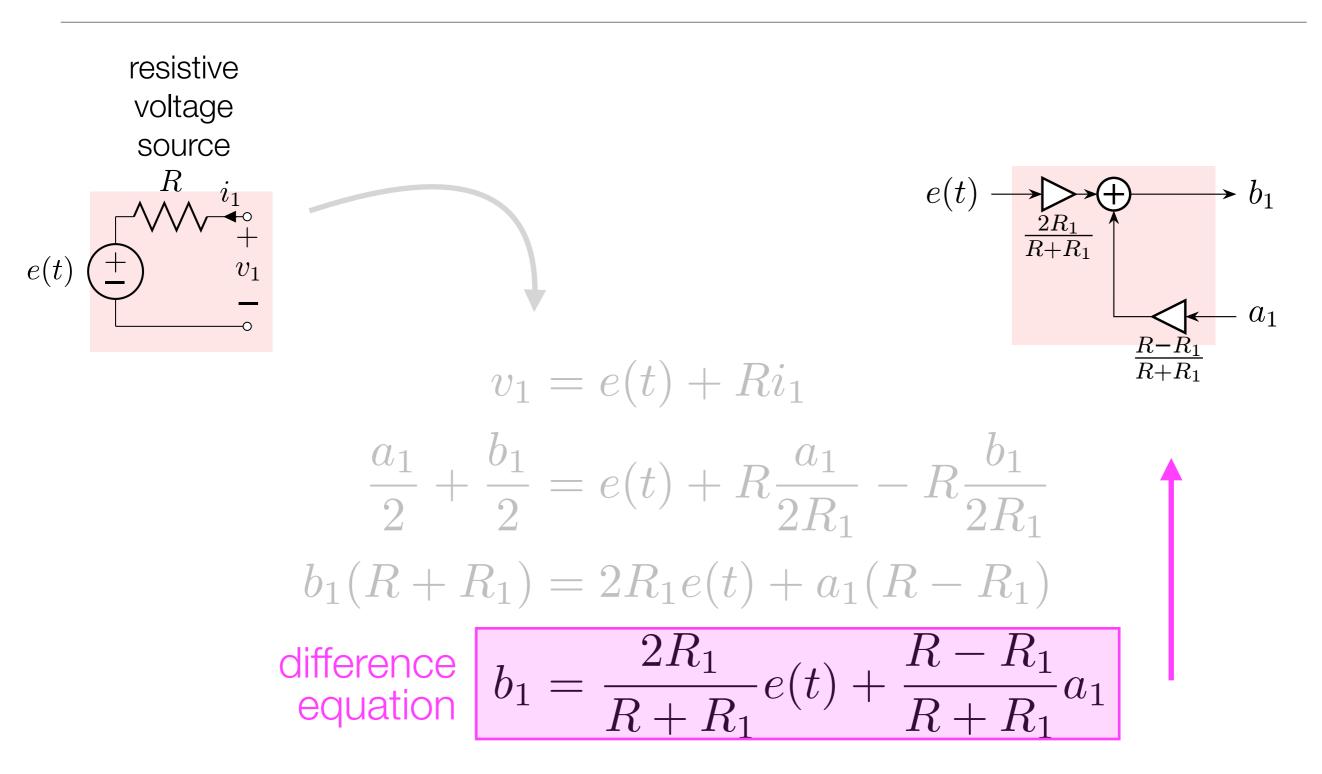




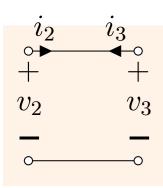


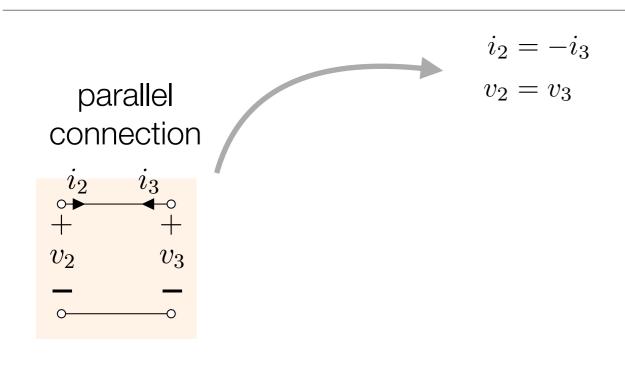
$$\frac{a_1}{2} + \frac{b_1}{2} = e(t) + R \frac{a_1}{2R_1} - R \frac{b_1}{2R_1}$$

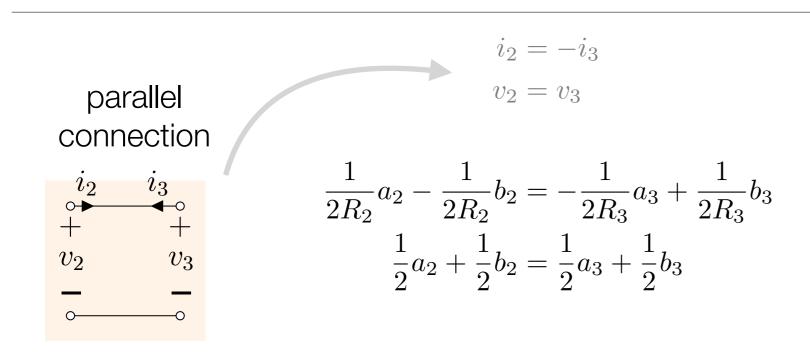


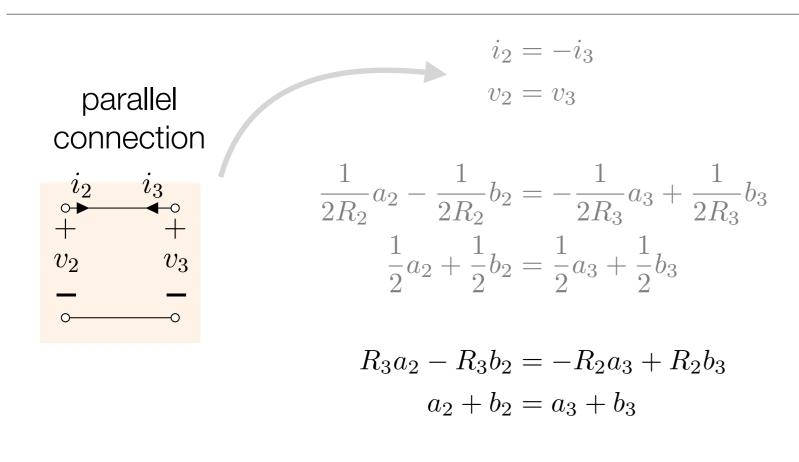


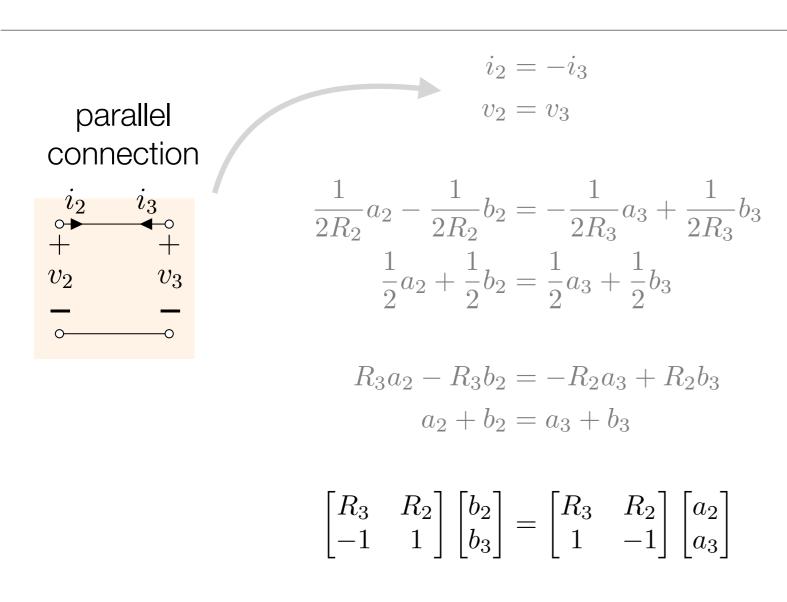
parallel connection

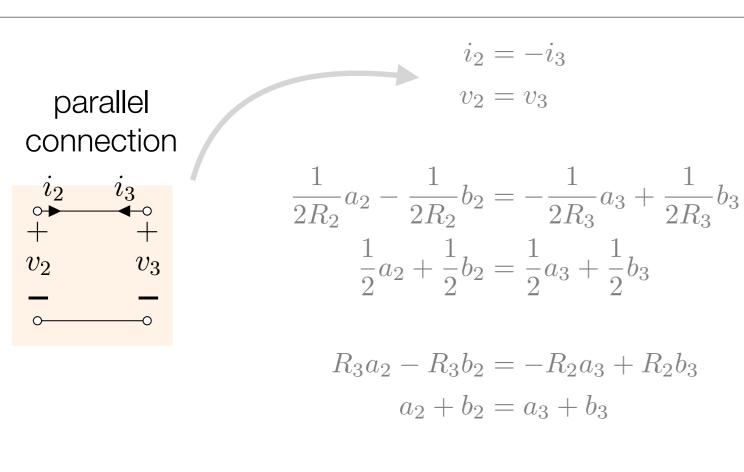








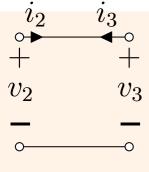




$$\begin{bmatrix} R_3 & R_2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_3 & R_2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{R_2 + R_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -R_2 \\ 1 & R_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_3 & R_2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$





$$i_2 = -i_3$$
$$v_2 = v_3$$

$$\frac{1}{2R_2}a_2 - \frac{1}{2R_2}b_2 = -\frac{1}{2R_3}a_3 + \frac{1}{2R_3}b_3$$
$$\frac{1}{2}a_2 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 = \frac{1}{2}a_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_3$$

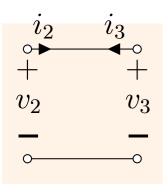
$$R_3 a_2 - R_3 b_2 = -R_2 a_3 + R_2 b_3$$
$$a_2 + b_2 = a_3 + b_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_3 & R_2 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_3 & R_2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Scattering equation 
$$\begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{R_2 - R_3}{R_2 + R_3} & \frac{2R_2}{R_2 + R_3} \\ \frac{2R_3}{R_2 + R_3} & \frac{R_2 - R_3}{R_2 + R_3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$





$$i_2 = -i_3$$
$$v_2 = v_3$$

$$\frac{1}{2R_2}a_2 - \frac{1}{2R_2}b_2 = -\frac{1}{2R_3}a_3 + \frac{1}{2R_3}b_3$$
$$\frac{1}{2}a_2 + \frac{1}{2}b_2 = \frac{1}{2}a_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_3$$

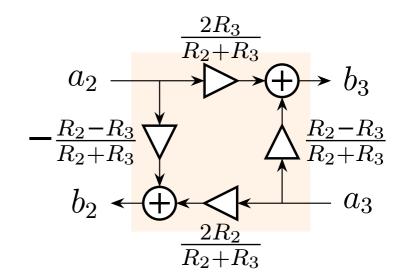
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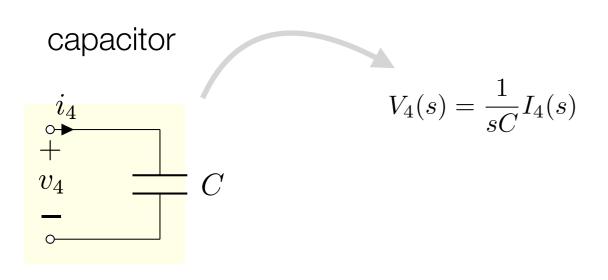
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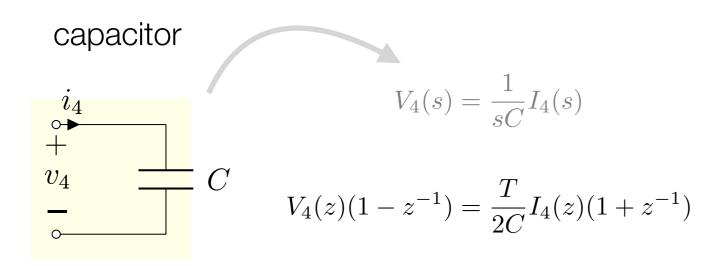
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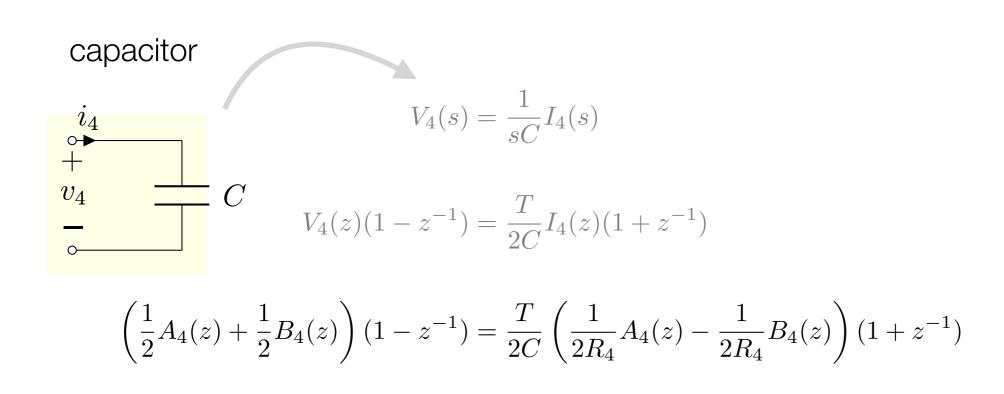
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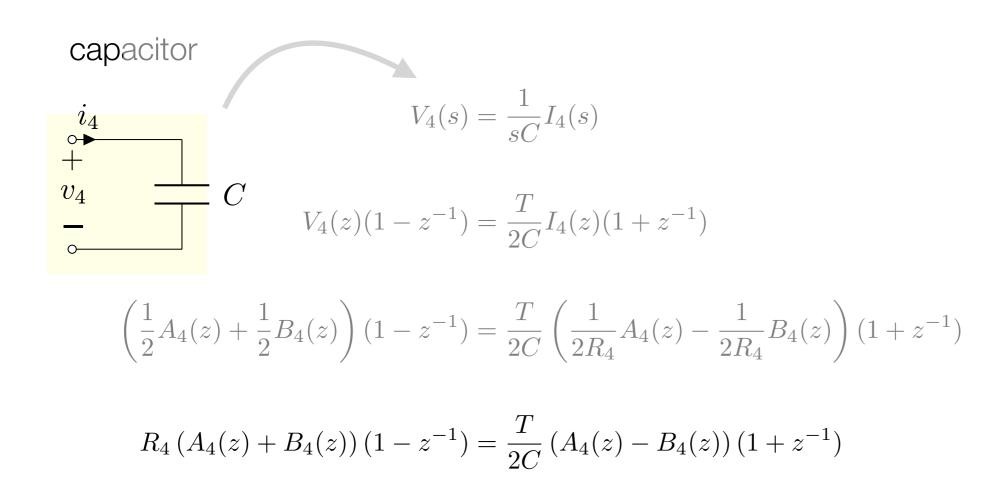
$$\begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{R_2 - R_3}{R_2 + R_3} & \frac{2R_2}{R_2 + R_3} \\ \frac{2R_3}{R_2 + R_3} & \frac{R_2 - R_3}{R_2 + R_3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

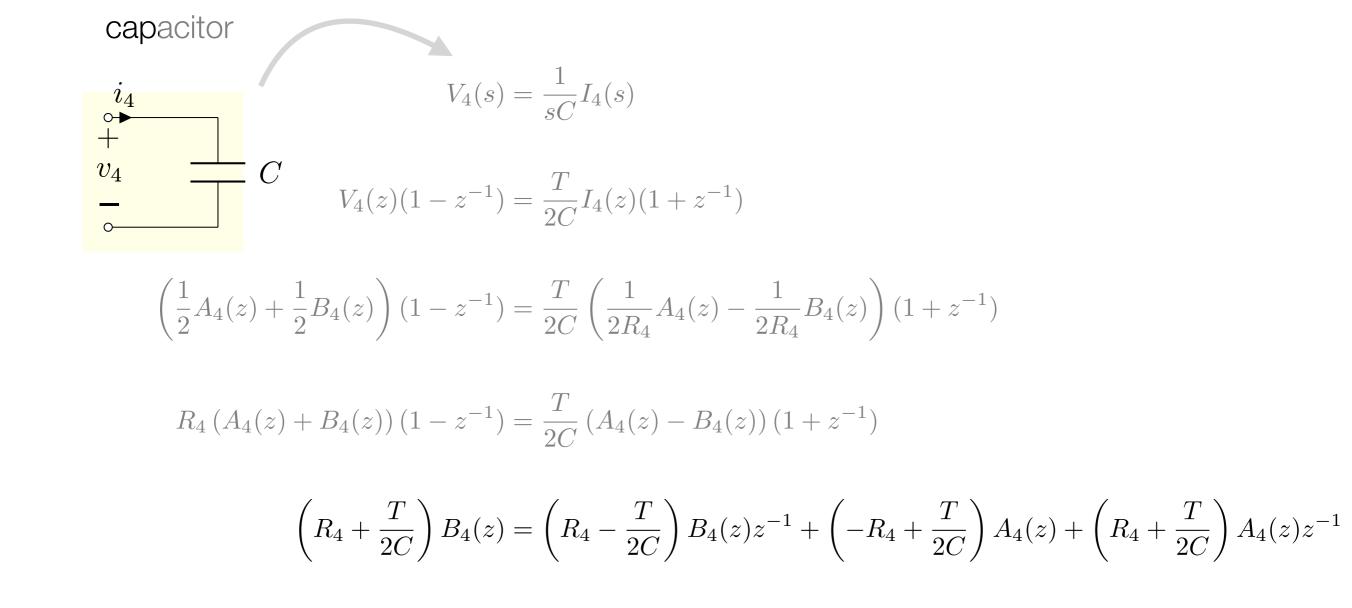


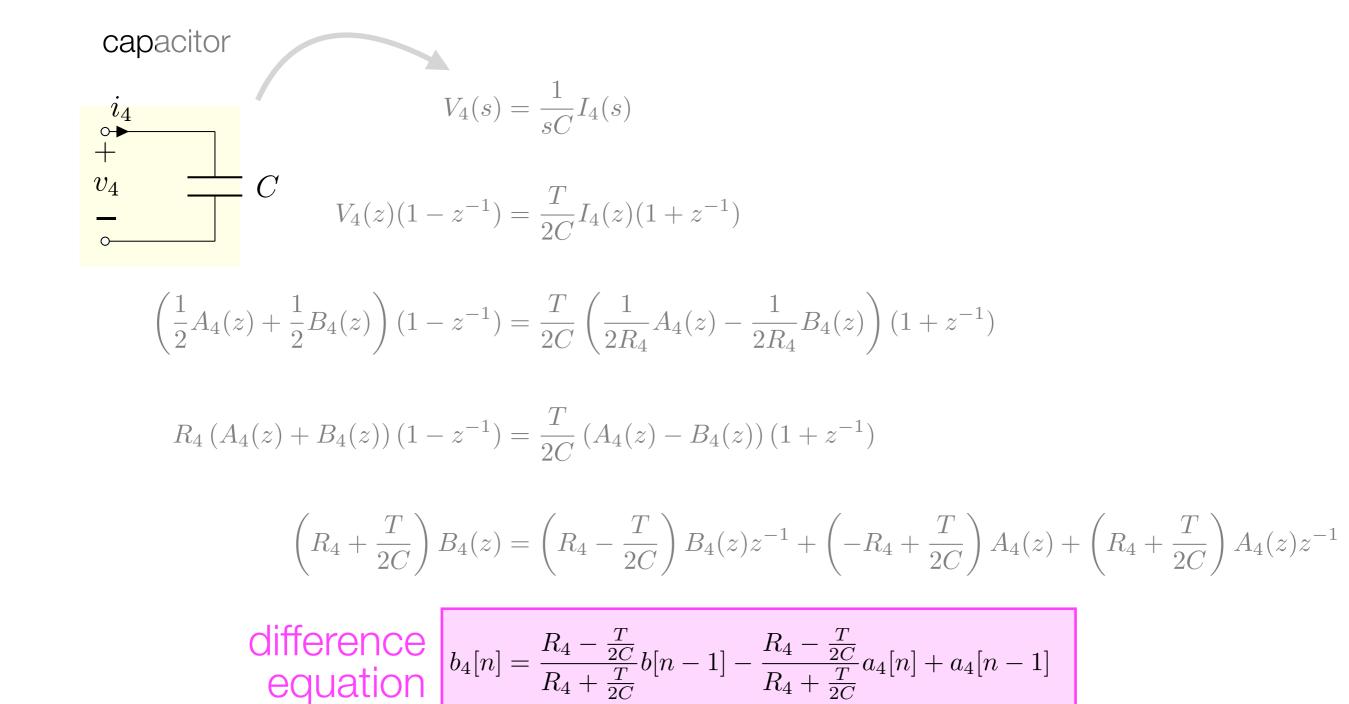


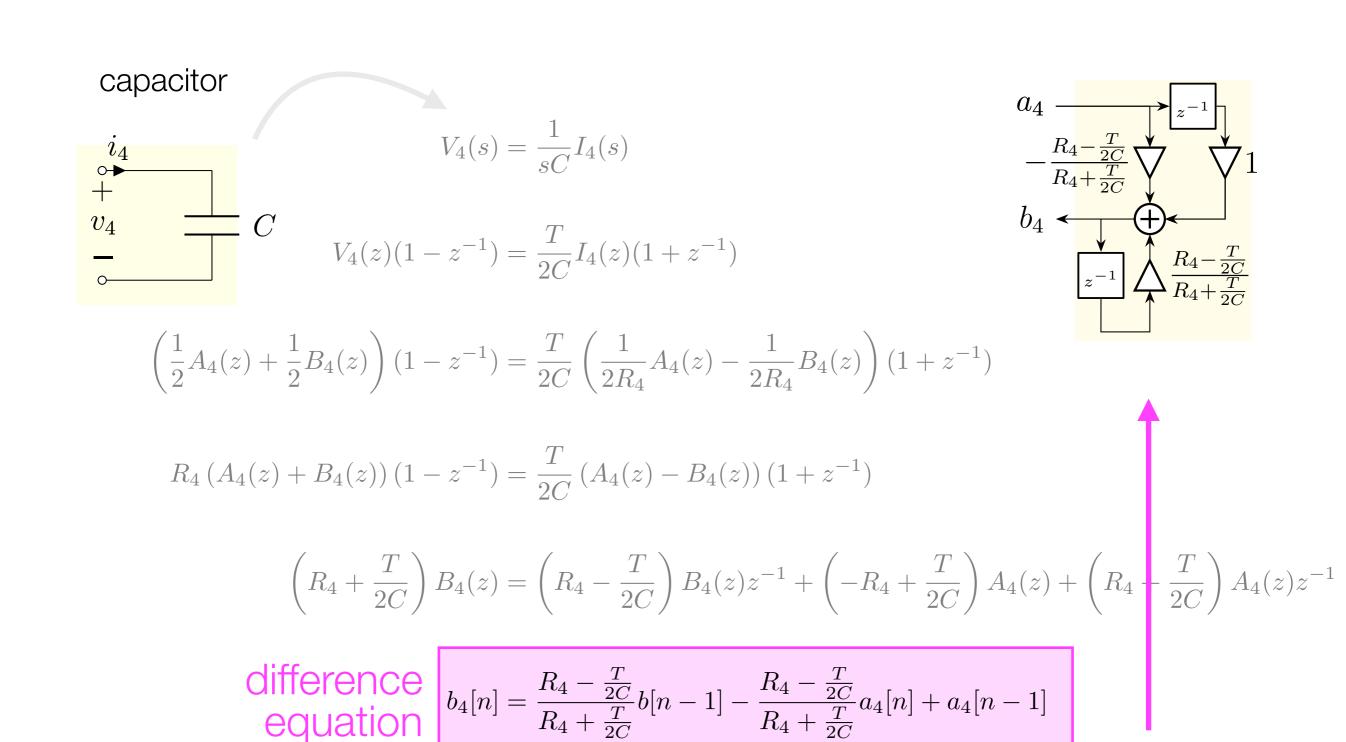


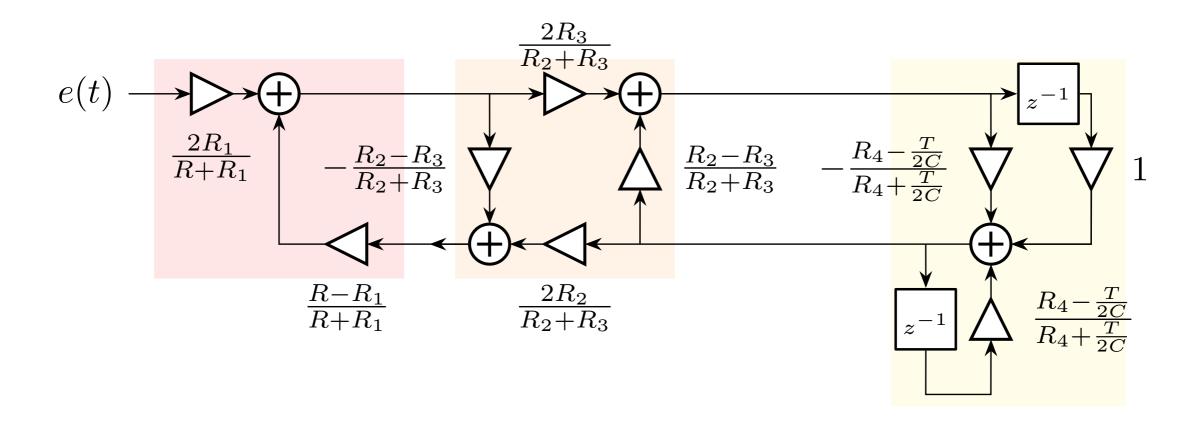






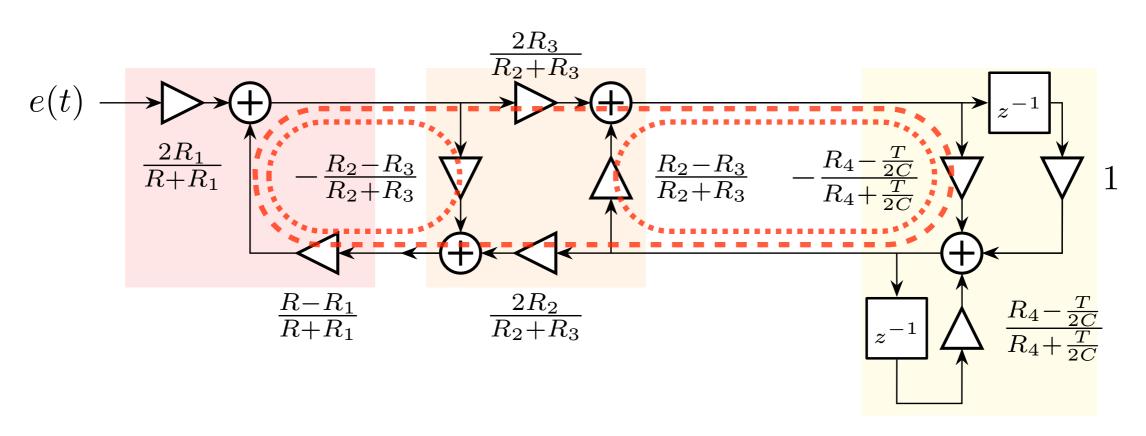






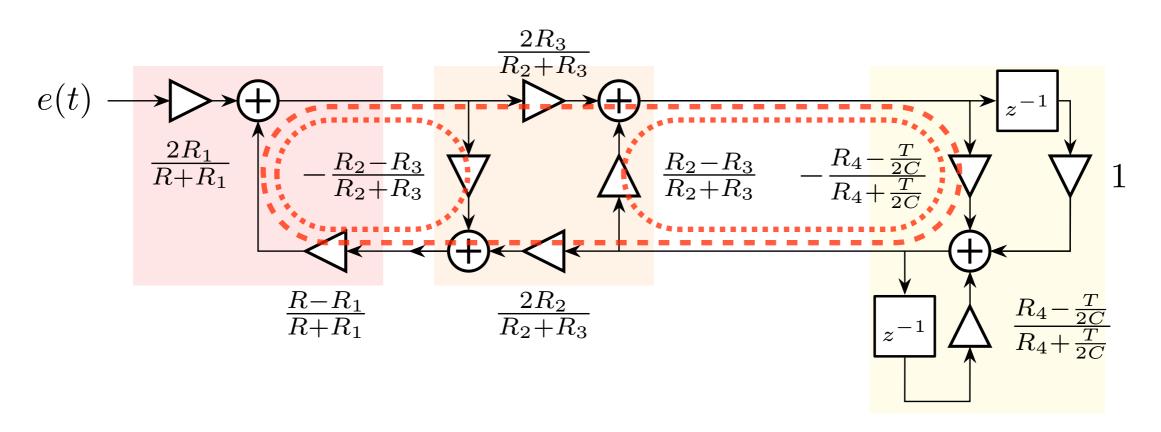
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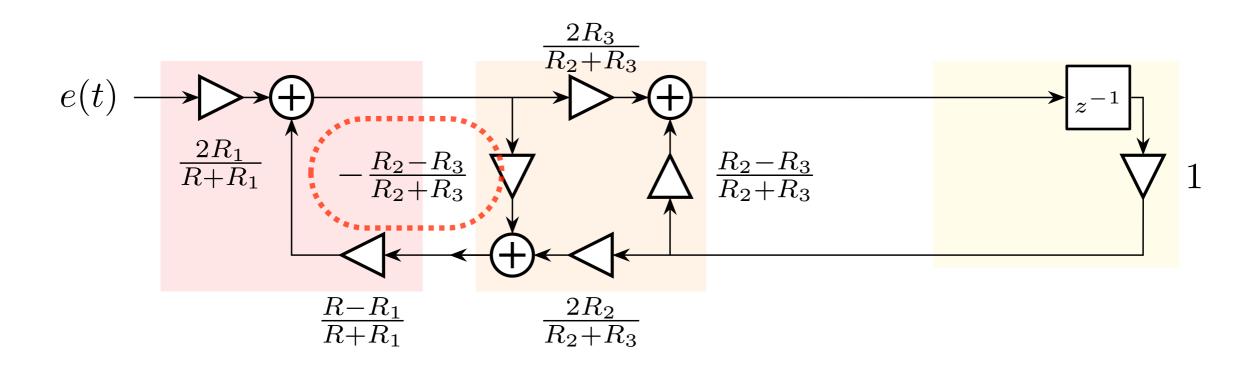
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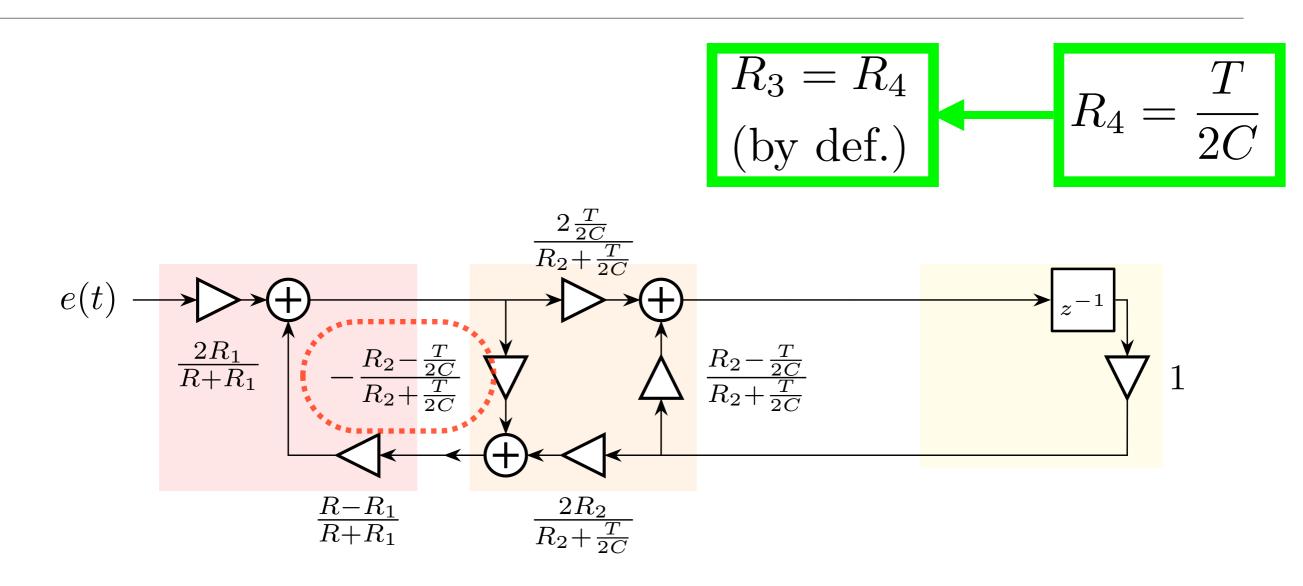


but, this time, we can fix things!
by tuning R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>

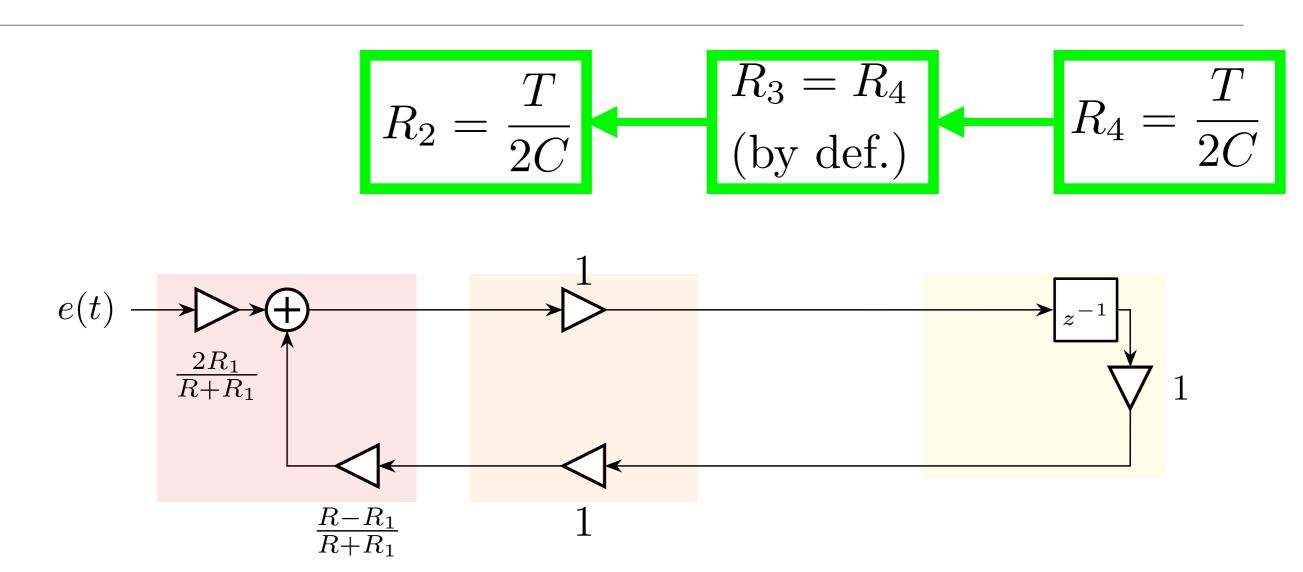
$$R_4 = \frac{T}{2C}$$



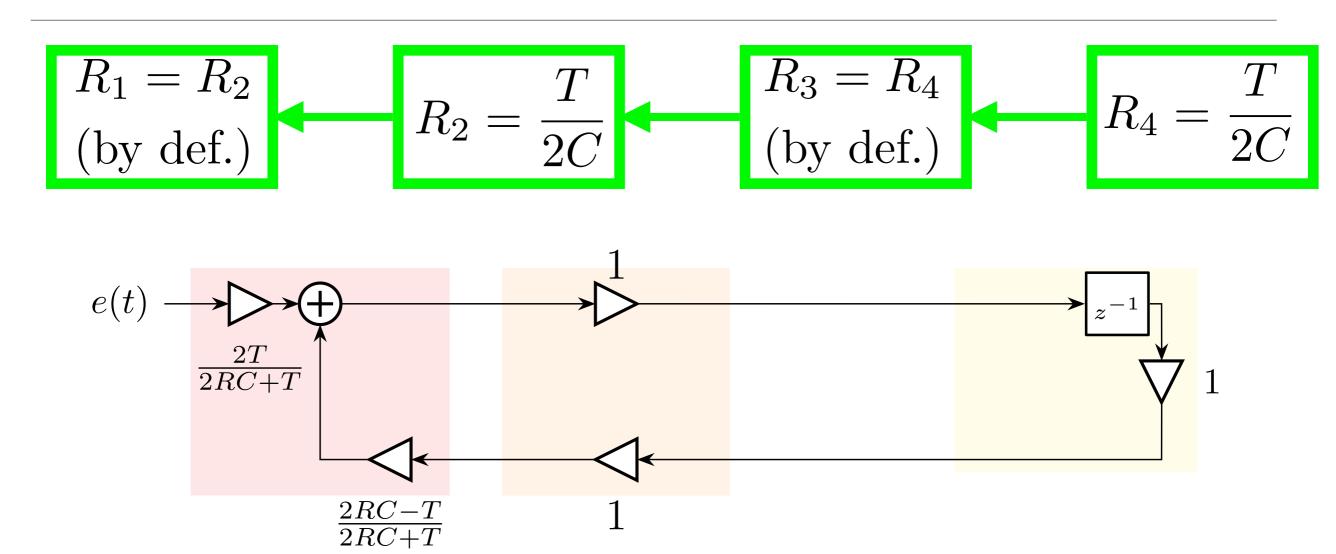
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# but, this time, we can fix things! by tuning R



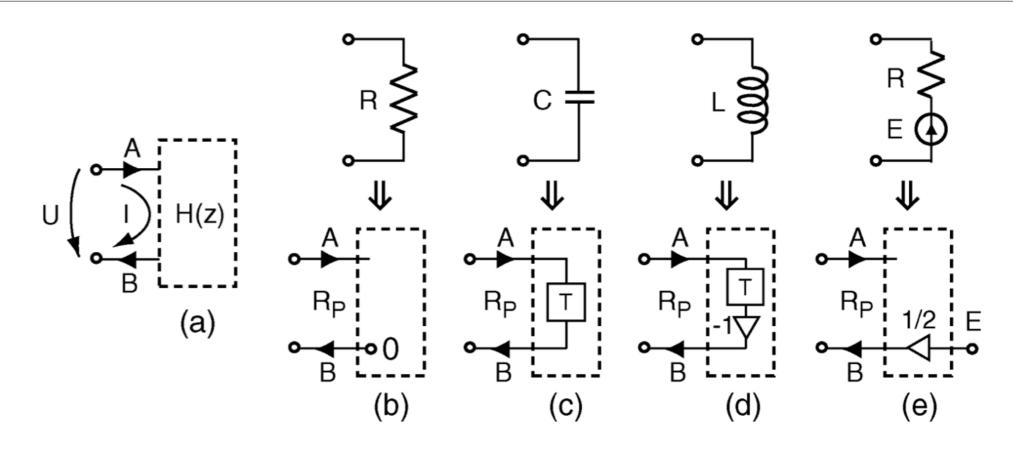
## structure is computable!

#### WAVE DIGITAL FILTERS

- modular
- no transfer function representation needed
- no factoring into biquads needed
- structure arranged as a "tree"
  - one element as the root, resolve loops upwards
- energetic properties in reference domain used to guarantee stability by construction  $p_n = \left(a_n^2 b_n^2\right)/R_n$
- good on quantization/sensitivity (original purpose)

Alfred Fettweis, Pseudopassivity, Sensitivity, and Stability of Wave Digital Filters," IEEE Transactions on Circuit Theory, Vol. CT-19, No. 6, November 1972.

#### Wave Digital Filters (resolved one ports)



(a) A generic one-port

(b) resistor:  $R_p=R$ 

(c) capacitor:  $R_p = T/2C$ 

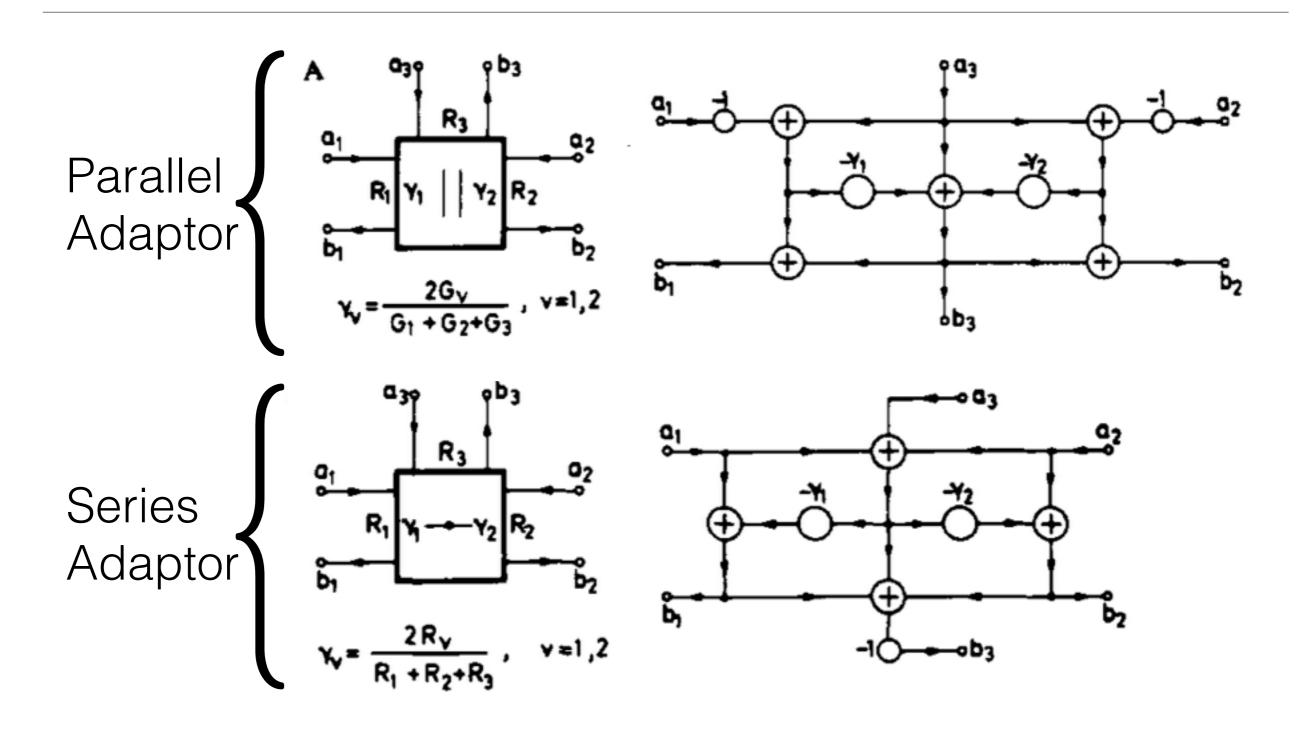
(d) inductor:  $R_p=2L/T$ 

(e) voltage source  $R_p=R$ 

C, L, R, are physical capacitance, inductance, and resistance, T is unit delay

M. Karjalainen, "Efficient Realization of Wave Digital Components for Physical Modeling and Sound Synthesis," IEEE Trans. Audio, Speech, Language Process., July 2008

#### Wave Digital Filters (adaptors)



A. Fettweis, "Wave Digital Filters: Theory and Practice," Proc. IEEE, 1986.

# Wave Digital Filters (binary connection tree)

- binary connection tree (BCT)
   systematizes WDF with only series
   and parallel connections
- up to one nonlinearity
- N-port series connections implemented with (N-2) 3-port series adaptors
- N-port parallel connections implemented with (N-2) 3-port parallel adaptors
- see also: Alfred Fettweis and Klaus Meerkötter, "On adaptors for wave digital filters," 1975.

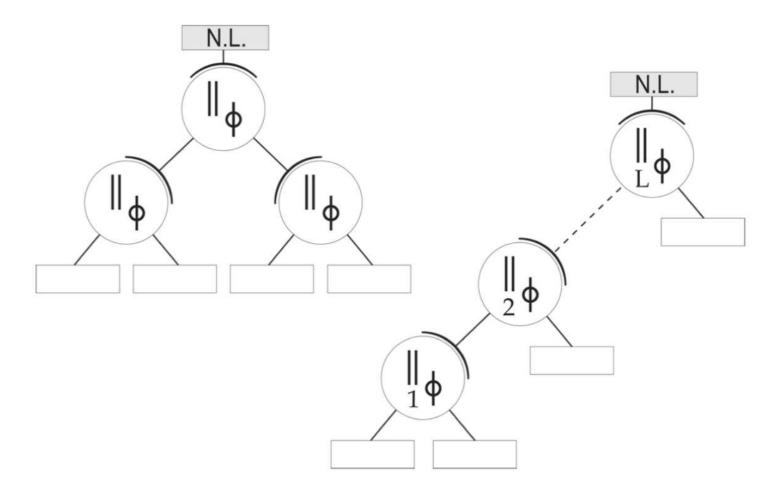


Fig. 5. Two examples of BCTs. (left) Generic one and (right) chainlike circuit. The circular box represents an instantaneous adaptor, in which the adapted port is clearly specified. This particular notational choice simplifies the drawing of connection trees with a great amount of branching.

A. Sarti and G. De Sanctis, "Systematic methods for the implementation of nonlinear wavedigital structures," IEEE Trans. Circuits Syst. I: Reg. Papers, vol. 56, no. 2, pp. 460–472, 2009.

#### INTRODUCTION

- tutorial review of WDF principles
- 2. recent theoretical progress in WDFs
- 3. WDF software overview and demo

#### CURRENT RESEARCH at CCRMA

- Wave Digital Filter Adaptors for Arbitrary Topologies and Multiport Linear Elements
  - @ Int. Conf. Digital Audio Effects (DAFx-15), Trondheim, Norway, Nov. 30 Dec. 3, 2015 → Kurt James Werner, Julius O. Smith III, and Jonathan Abel
- Resolving Wave Digital Filters with Multiple/Multiport Nonlinearities
  - @ Int. Conf. Digital Audio Effects (DAFx-15), Trondheim, Norway, Nov. 30 Dec. 3, 2015 → Kurt James Werner, Vaibhav Nangia, Julius O. Smith III, and Jonathan Abel
- A General and Explicit Formulation for Wave Digital Filters with Multiple/Multiport Nonlinearities and Complicated Topologies
  - @ IEEE Work. Appl. Signal Process. Audio Acoust. (WASPAA), New Paltz, NY, Oct. 18–21, 2015 → Kurt James Werner, Vaibhav Nangia, Julius O. Smith III, and Jonathan Abel
- An Improved and Generalized Diode Clipper Model for Wave Digital Filters
  - @ AES 139th Convention, New York, USA, Oct. 29 − Nov. 1, 2015
     → Kurt James Werner, Vaibhav Nangia, Alberto Bernardini, Julius O. Smith III, and Augusto Sarti
- An Energetic Interpretation of Nonlinear Wave Digital Filter Lookup Table Error
  - @ IEEE Int. Symp. Signals, Circuits, Syst. (ISSCS), Iasi, Romania, July 9–10, 2015 → Kurt James Werner and Julius O. Smith III

## CURRENT RESEARCH at Politecnico di Milano

- Modeling Nonlinear Wave Digital Elements using the Lambert Function
   (submitted to IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems I: Regular Papers)
   →Alberto Bernardini, Kurt James Werner, Augusto Sarti, and Julius O. Smith III
- Modeling a Class of Multi-Port NonLinearities in Wave Digital Structures
   @ European Signal Process. Conf. (EUSIPCO), Nice, France, August 31, 2015
   →Alberto Bernardini, Kurt James Werner, Augusto Sarti, and Julius O. Smith III
- Multi-Port NonLinearities in Wave Digital Structures
   @ IEEE Int Symp. Signals, Circuits, Syst. (ISSCS), Iasi, Romania, July 9–10, 2015
   →Alberto Bernardini, Kurt James Werner, Augusto Sarti, and Julius O. Smith III
- Modeling NonLinear Circuits with Multi-port Elements in the Wave Digital Domain Master's thesis, Politecnico di Milano, Italy, April 2015
   →Alberto Bernardini

#### Nonlinearities in WDFs

- 1. single nonlinearity
- 2. consolidated one-port combination
- 3. cross-controlled multiport
- 4. simplified multiports
- 5. linearized multiport
- 6. piecewise linear models
- 7. iterative schemes

# Nonlinearity Nonlinearity

- accommodate one one-port NL element, e.g.:
  - ideal rectifier (ideal diode)
  - piecewise linear resistance
- can view as lookup table with interpolation or piecewise linear segments
- must solve b = f(a) at root

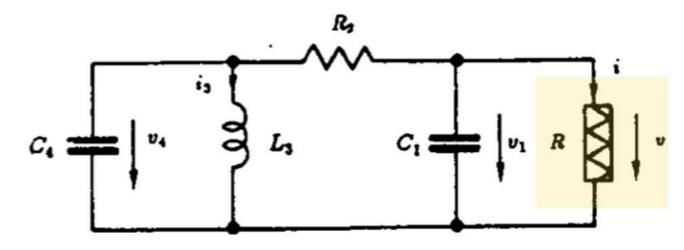


Fig. 2. Nonlinear circuit according to Ref. 2.

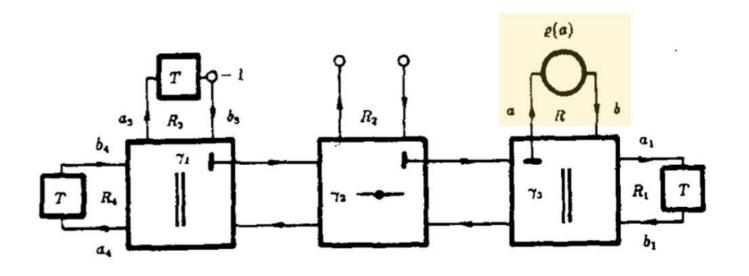


Fig. 4. Wave digital model of the circuit of Fig. 2.

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# Nonlinearity Nonlinearity

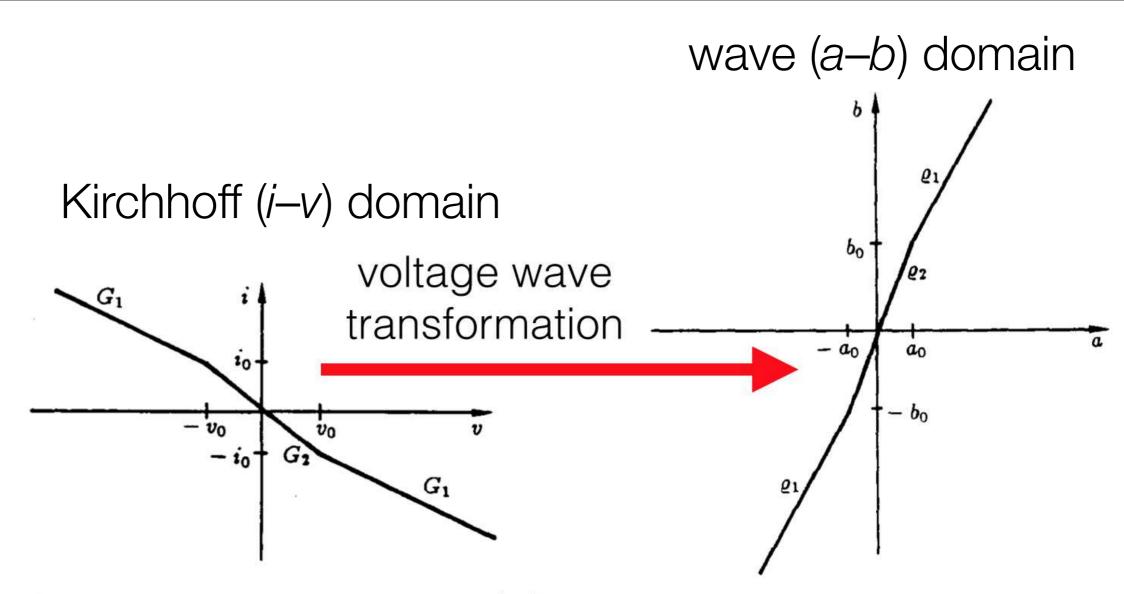


Fig. 3. Characteristic of the nonlinear resistance defined by (16).

$$i = G_1 v + \frac{1}{2} (G_2 - G_1) (|v + v_0| - |v - v_0|),$$
 (16)

Fig. 5. Plot of the characteristic defined by (17).

$$b = \varrho(a) = \varrho_1 a + \frac{1}{2} (\varrho_2 - \varrho_1) (|a + a_0| - |a - a_0|), \quad (17)$$

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# Nonlinearity Nonlinearity

- use "mutators" from classical network theory to enable, e.g., nonlinear q-v relationships
- these are needed for nonlinear elements "with memory"
- for example, nonlinear capacitors and inductors where flux or charge can saturate

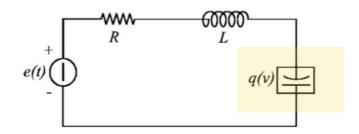


Fig. 6. Electrical circuit of the anharmonic oscillator.

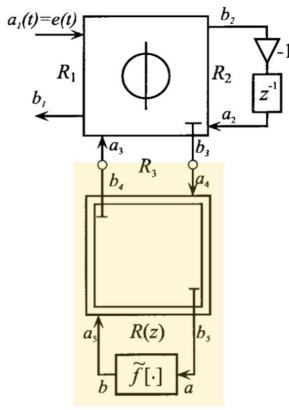


Fig. 9. Wave implementation of the anharmonic oscillator based on instantaneous adaptation. The double-bordered box represents an R-C mutator, and the presence of two "stubs" in its outputs denotes the absence of local instantaneous reflections.

Augusto Sarti and Giovanni De Poli, "Toward nonlinaer wave digital filters," IEEE Trans. Signal Process., vol. 47, no. 6, pp 1654–1668, 1999.

- multiple nonlinearities handled by consolidating into a single one-port
- implicit nonlinear function solved as b=f(a) with numerical methods

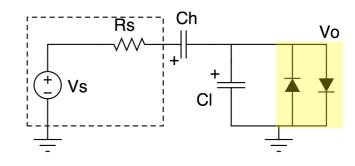


Figure 6: Schematic of the diode clipper with high-pass and low-pass capacitors.

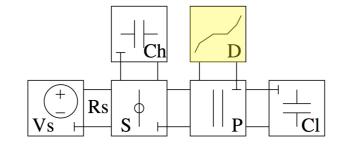
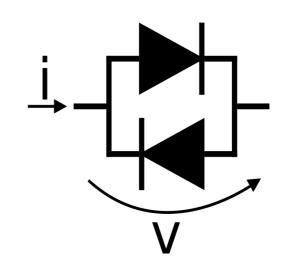


Figure 7: WDF tree of the two-capacitor diode clipper. Diode D is root.

$$\frac{b-a}{2R} = I_s \left( e^{\frac{a+b}{2V_T}} - 1 \right) - I_s \left( e^{-\frac{a+b}{2V_T}} - 1 \right)$$

David T. Yeh and Julius O. Smith III, "Simulating guitar distortion circuits using wave digital and nonlinear state-space formulations," in proc. Int. Conf. Digital Audio Effects (DAFx-08), pp. 19–26, 2008.

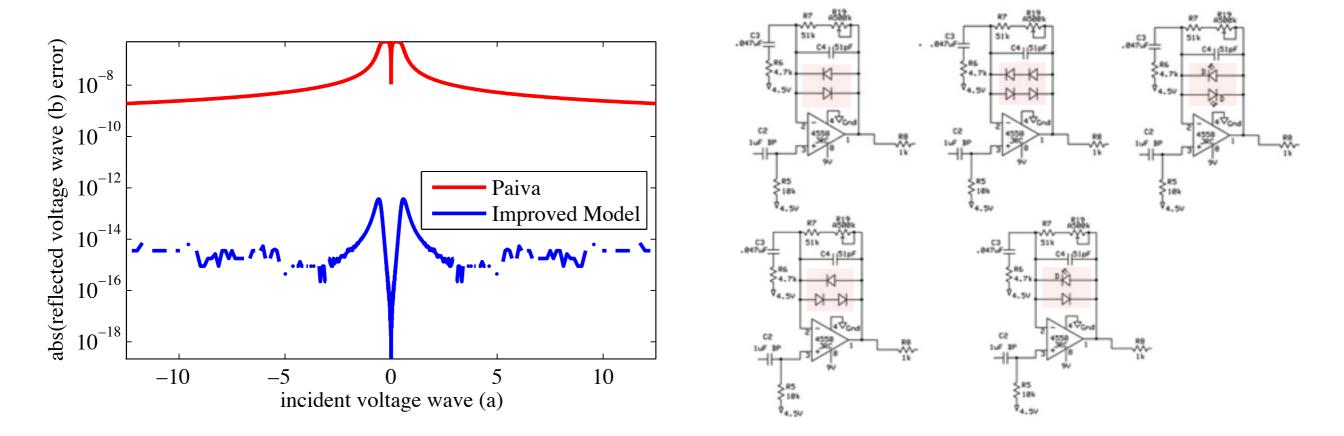
b=f(a) for diode pair solved using Lambert W function, assuming one diode dominates: (ignoring saturation current)



- One diode (Kirchhoff):  $i = I_s \left( e^{\frac{v}{V_T}} 1 \right)$
- One diode (wave, implicit):  $\frac{a-b}{2R} = I_s \left( e^{\frac{a+b}{2V_T}} e^{-\frac{a+b}{2V_T}} \right)$
- One diode (wave, explicit):  $b=f(a)=a+2RI_s-2V_T\mathcal{W}\left(rac{RI_s}{V_T}e^{rac{RI_s+a}{V_T}}
  ight)$
- Diode pair (approximate):  $b = \operatorname{sgn}(a) \cdot f(|a|)$

Rafael C. D. de Paiva, Stefano D'Angelo, Jyri Pakarinen, and Vesa Välimäki, "Emulation of operational amplifiers and diodes in audio distortion circuits," IEEE Trans. Circuits Syst. II: Expr. Briefs, Vol. 59, No. 10, Oct. 2012.

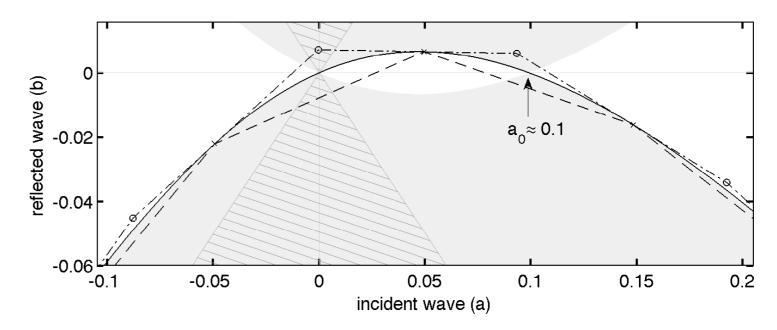
- explicit model improved by canceling some approximation error of Paiva et al. (2013) model with an additional Lambert W term
- generalized to any number of diodes in each direction (stock and hacked guitar distortion pedals)



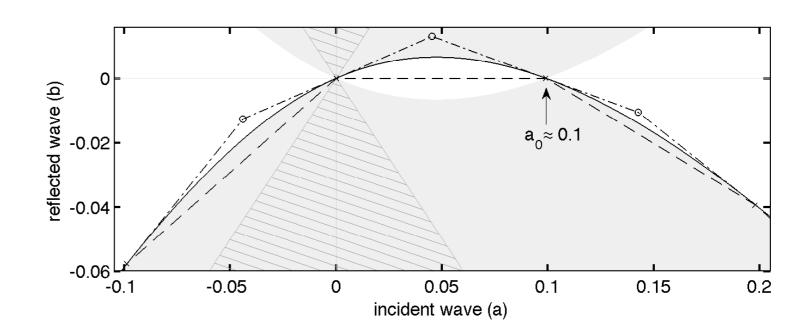
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B. Wampler, "5 DIY Mods to Perfect Your Ibanez TS9 and Boss SD-1," Sept. 2012, Online: <a href="http://www.premierguitar.com/articles/5\_DIY\_Mods\_to\_Perfect\_Your\_Ibanez\_TS9\_and\_Boss\_SD-1?page=3">http://www.premierguitar.com/articles/5\_DIY\_Mods\_to\_Perfect\_Your\_Ibanez\_TS9\_and\_Boss\_SD-1?page=3</a>

Linear secant interpolation and tangent extrapolation can be incrementally (gray) or globally (thatched) non-passive



Choosing table points and secant/tangent properly (considering sgn(a) and a") yields interpolation methods that respect passivity



Kurt James Werner and Julius O. Smith III, and Augusto Sarti, "An energetic interpretation of nonlinear wave digital filter lookup table error," in proc. Int. Symp. Signals, Circuits, Syst. (ISSCS), Iași, Romania, July 2015.

## Nonlinearities in WDFs: cross-controls

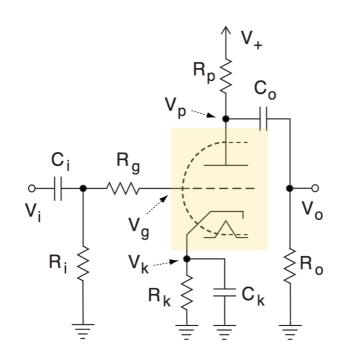
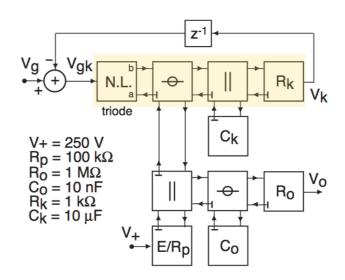


Fig. 1. A typical triode amplifier stage.

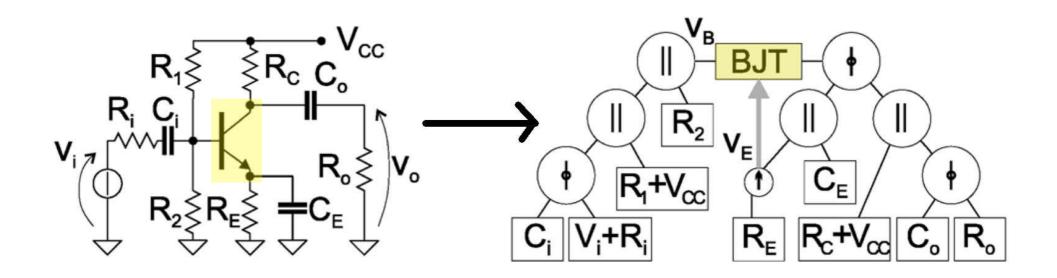


**Fig. 4.** WDF binary tree for simulation of the triode stage in Fig. 1. The input circuit  $(C_i, R_i, R_g)$  is omitted and the cathode voltage  $V_k$  is used throught a unit delay to get the grid-to-cathode voltage  $V_{gk}$ .

- grid—cathode voltage modeled as "cross-control" of plate—cathode nonlinearity, with ad-hoc delay to aid realizability
- Refined in Jyri Pakarinen and Matti Karjalainen, "Enhanced wave digital triode model for real-time tube amplifier emulation," IEEE Trans. Audio, Speech, Language Process., vol. 18, no. 4, pp. 738–746, May 2010.

Matti Karjalainen and Jyri Pakarinen, "Wave digital simulation of a vacuum-tube amplifier," in proc. IEEE Int. Conf. Acoust., Speech, Signal Process. (ICASSP), Toulouse, France, May 14–19. 2006.

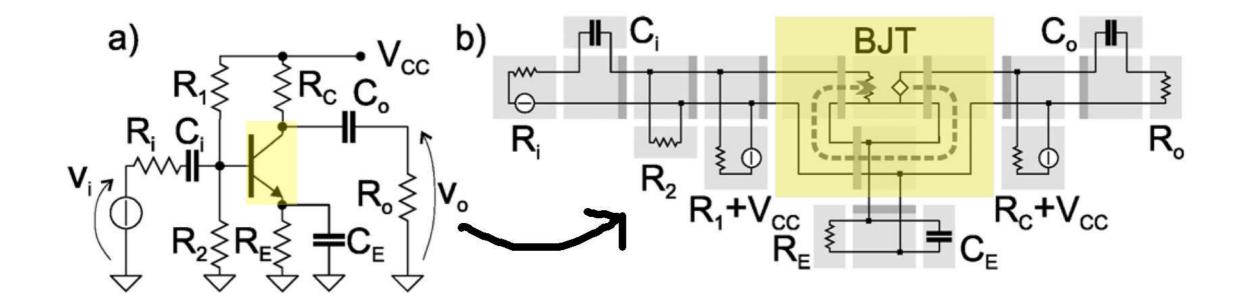
#### Nonlinearities in WDFs: cross-controls



- frame BJT as two-port nonlinear element
- two linear WDF subtrees
- Emitter voltage V<sub>E</sub> proposed as "cross-control" on BJT

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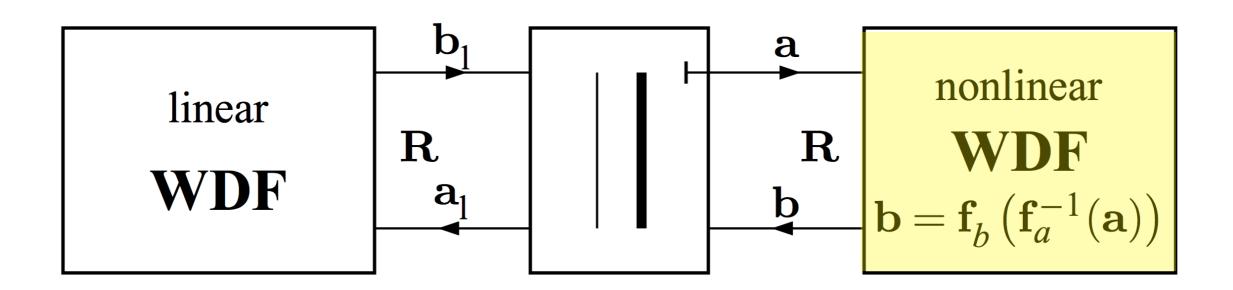
# Nonlinearities in WDFs: linearized multiport



- proposes using linearized Hybrid-π model of BJT
- three linear WDF subtrees

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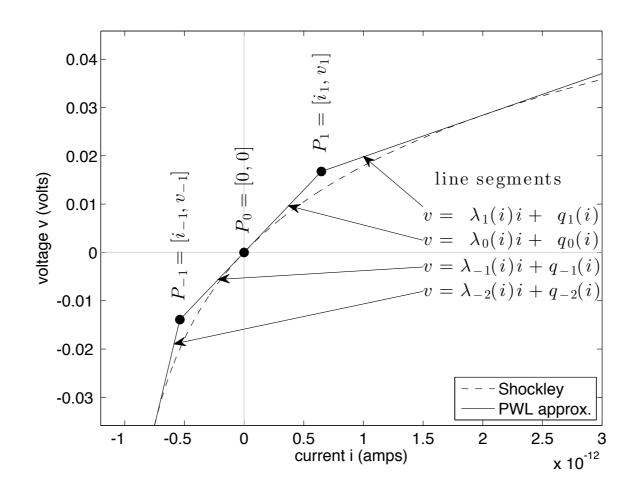
# Nonlinearities in WDFs: piecewise linear models



- represent vector of nonlinear root elements with piecewise linear approximation
- limited to vector parallel relationship between
   "internal" (a and b) and "external" (a and b) root ports

Stefan Petrausch and Rudolf Rabenstein, "Wave digital filters with multiple nonlinearities," in proc. European Signal Process. Conf. (EUSIPCO), vol. 12, Vienna, Austria, Sept. 2004.

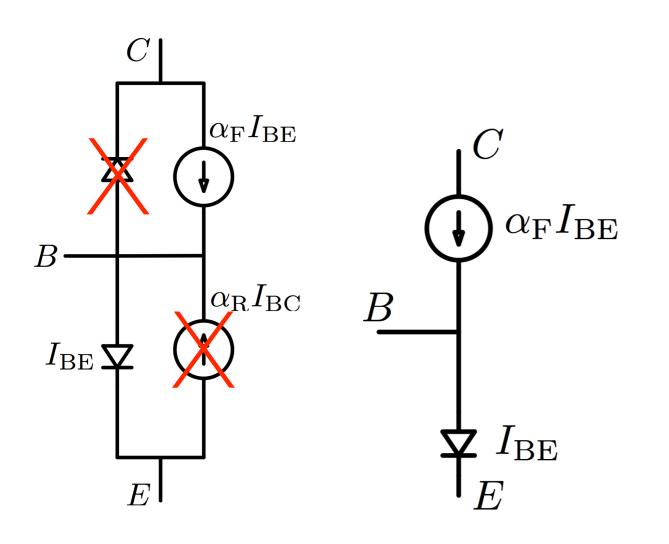
# Nonlinearities in WDFs: piecewise linear models



 addresses Petrausch & Rabenstein (2004) limit to vector parallel case for multiple one-port nonlinearities

Alberto Bernardini, Kurt James Werner, Augusto Sarti, and Julius O. Smith III, "Multi-port nonlinearities in wave digital structures," in proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Signals, Circuits, Syst. (ISSCS), Iasi Romania, July 9–10, 2015.

# Nonlinearities in WDFs: simplified multiports

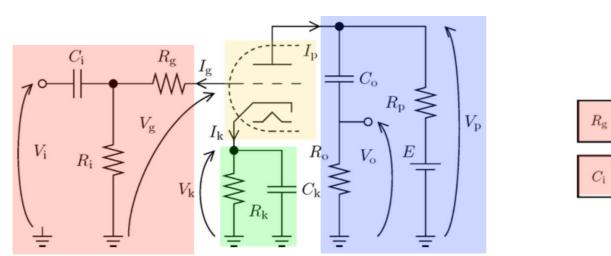


- depending on operating point, transport across particular p-n junctions in a BJT can be reasonably neglected
- introduces some approximation error, but renders equations tractable using the Lambert W, as in Paiva et al. (2013)
- Opportunities for treating cases with feedback

Alberto Bernardini, "Modeling nonlinear circuits with multi-port elements in the wave digital domain," M.S. thesis, Politecnico di Milano, 2015.

(Alberto Bernardini, Kurt James Werner, Augusto Sarti, and Julius O. Smith III, "Modeling Nonlinear Wave Digital Elements using the Lambert Function," *recently submitted* to IEEE TCAS I.)

## Nonlinearities in WDFs: iterative schemes



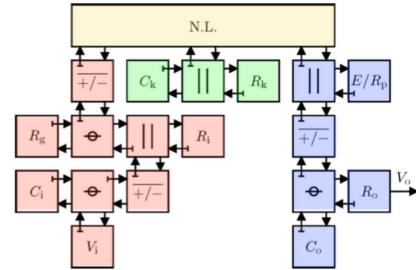


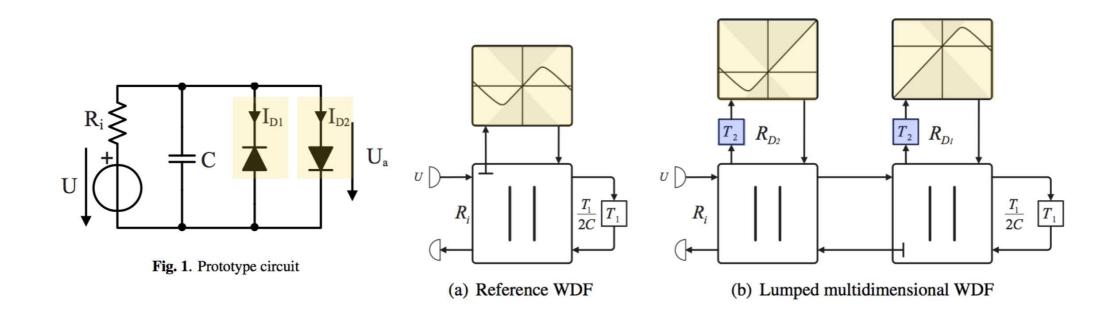
Fig. 2. The common-cathode triode gain stage, typically found in tube Fig. 4. Implementation of new WDF simulators. The same structure is used in amplifiers.

both cases (w/o and w/ grid current).

- entire triode nonlinearity contained in root element
- three linear WDF subtrees (1 2 3)
- root solved with customized secant method (specific to triode model)

Stefano D'Angelo, Jyri Pakarinen, and Vesa Välimäkii, "New family of wave-digital triode models," IEEE Trans. Audio, Speech, Language Process., vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 313-321, 2013.

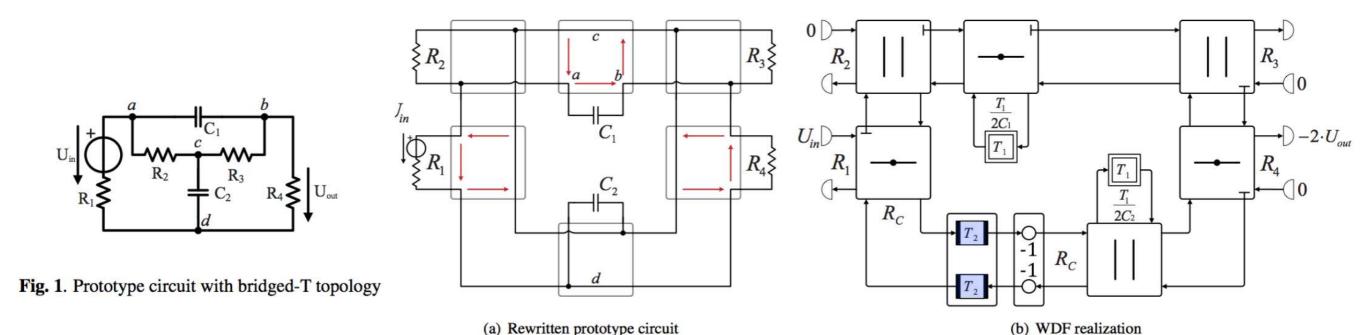
#### Nonlinearities in WDFs: iterative schemes



- multiple nonlinearities create delay-free loops
- resolved by inserting extra delay elements as second time dimensions (T<sub>2</sub>)
- framed as extension to multidimensional case
- T2's solved by iteration, convergence guaranteed by contractivity of WDF properties energy metric

Tim Schwerdtfeger and Anton Kummert, "A multidimensional approach to wave digital filters with multiple nonlinearities," in proc. European Signal Process. Conf. (EUSIPCO), Lisbon, Portugal, Sept. 1–5, 2014.

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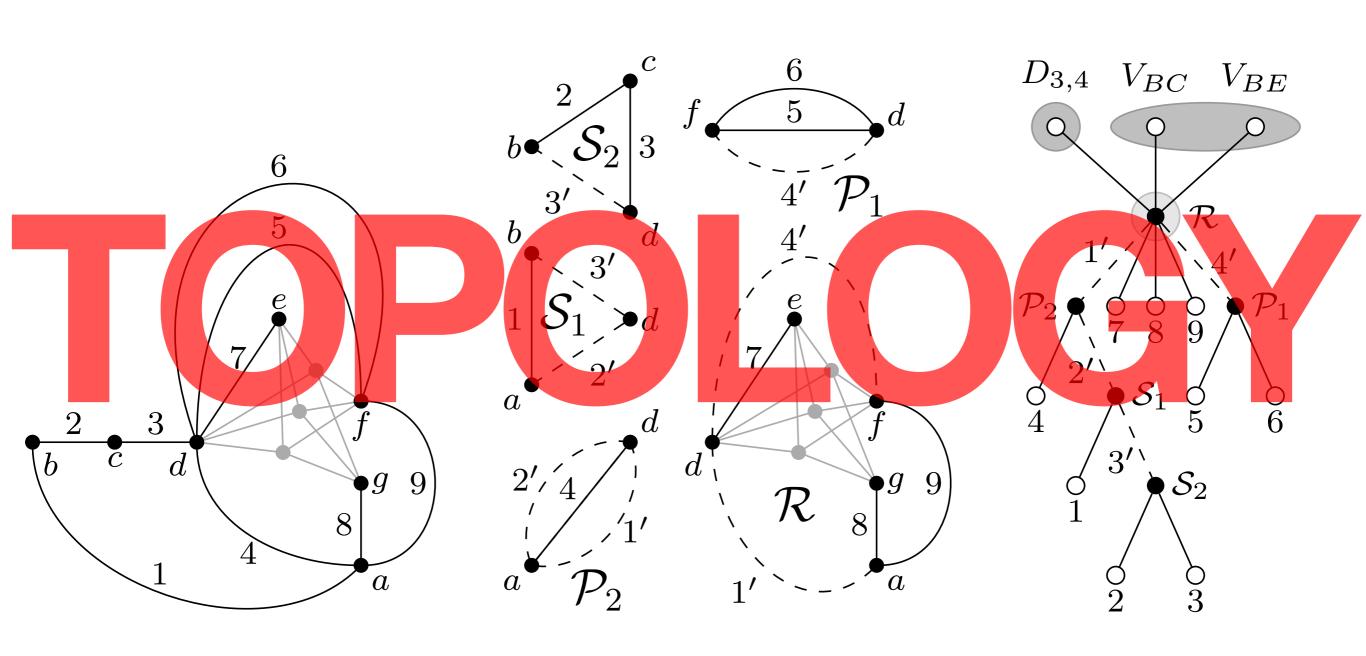


 same technique applied to topological problems in linear circuits (e.g., bridged-T topology)

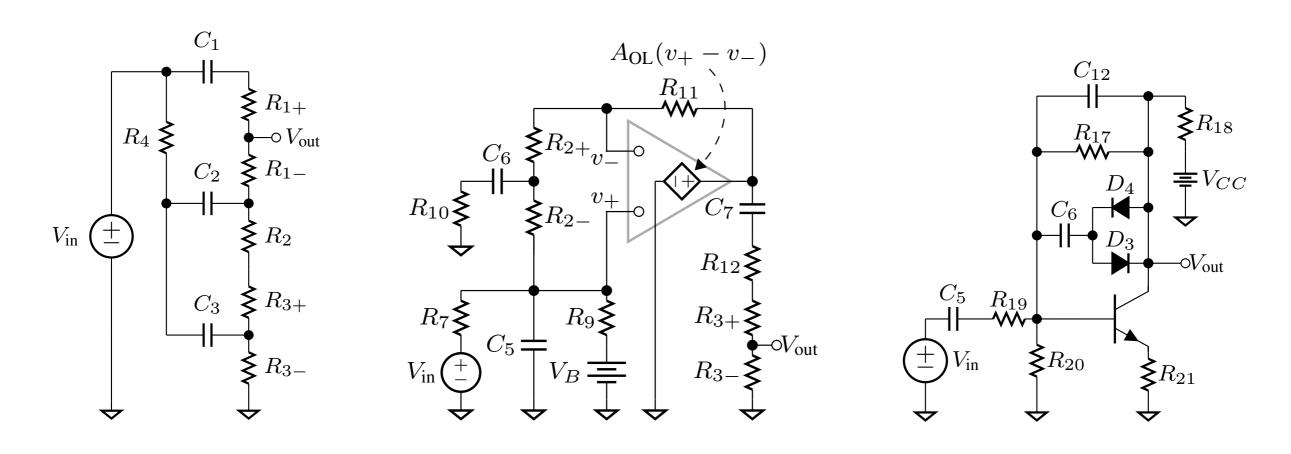
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#### Nonlinearities in WDFs

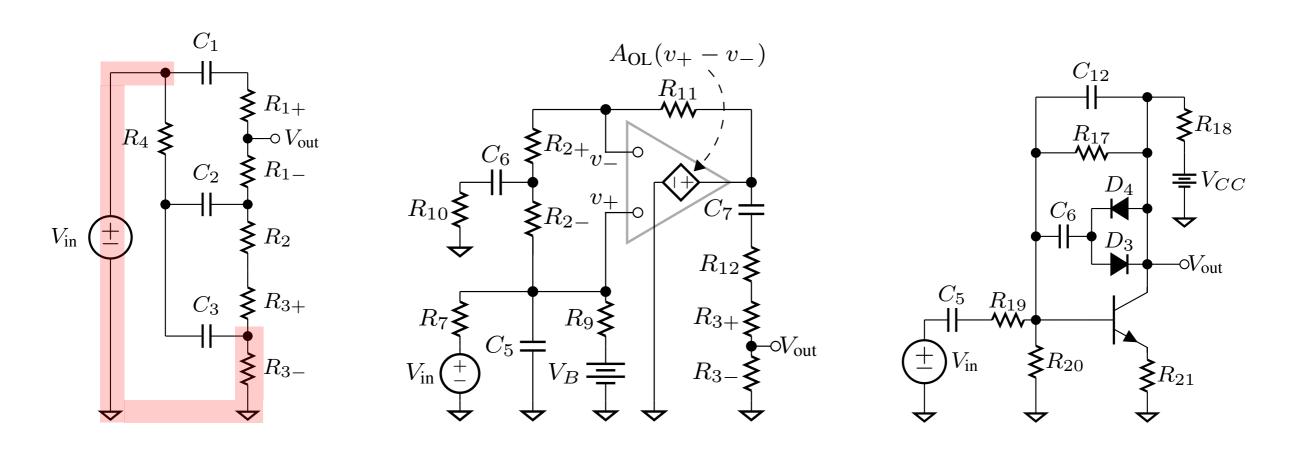
- recent research focuses on multiple nonlinearities
- since 1989, we've known that >1 requires especial treatment
- solutions with a single multiport at the root seem promising
- what about MULTIPLE multiports?
- ad hoc solutions sometimes work, but no general solutions



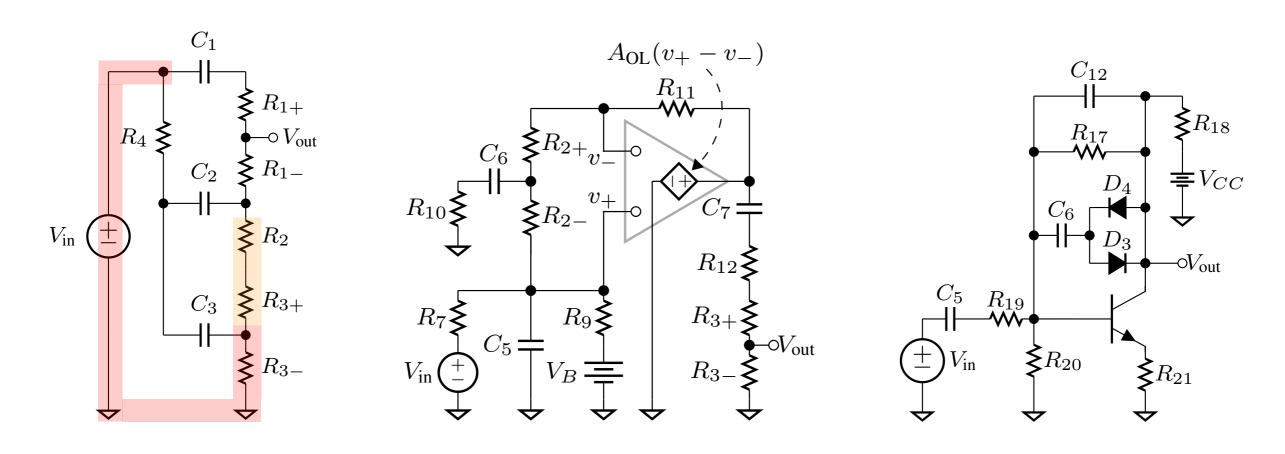
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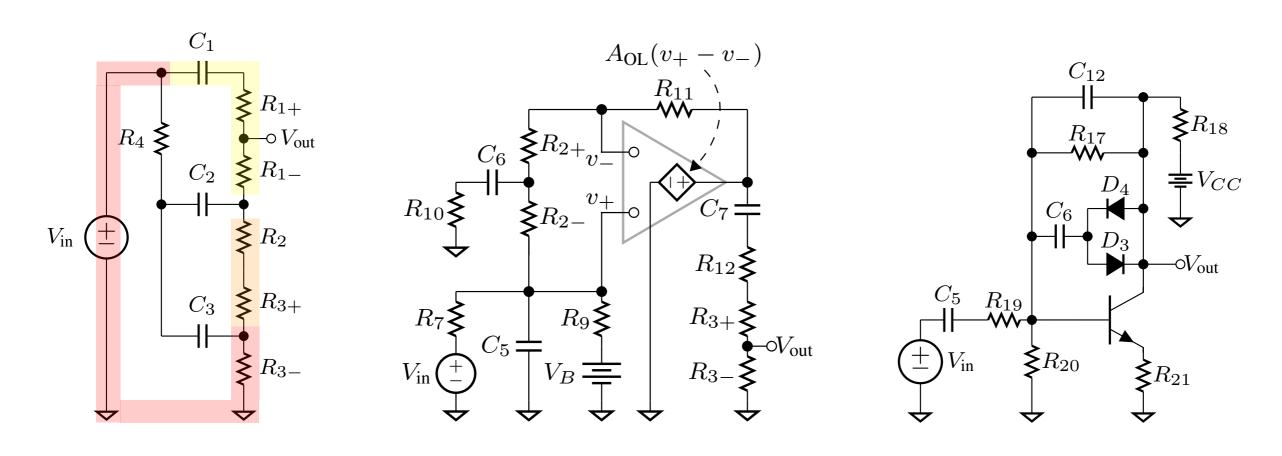
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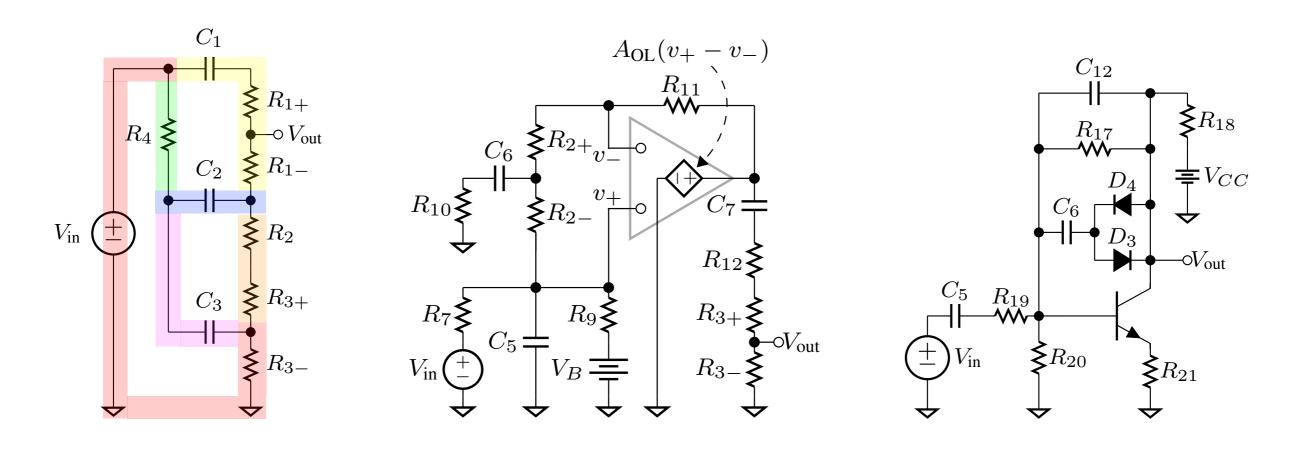
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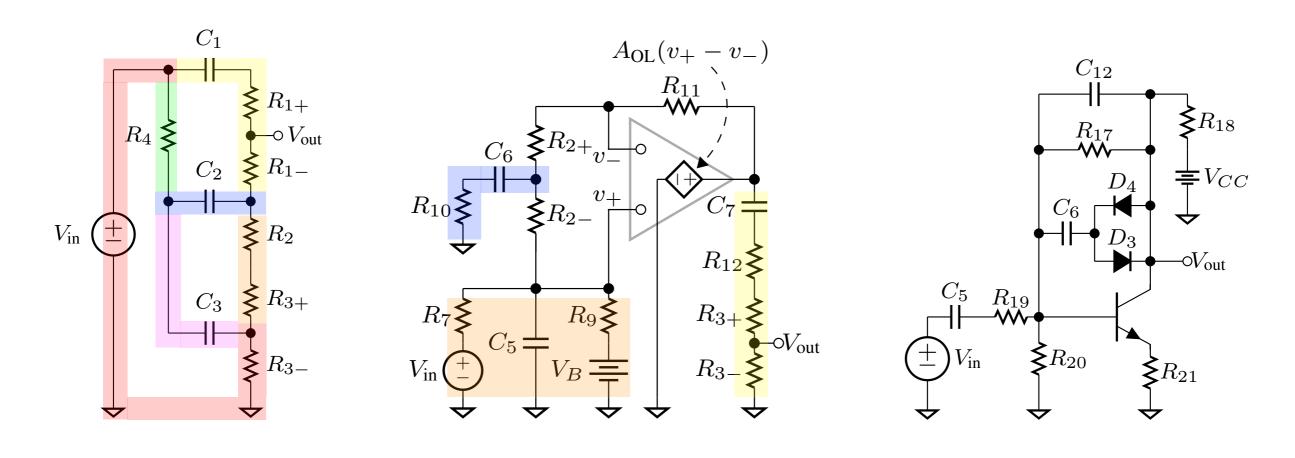
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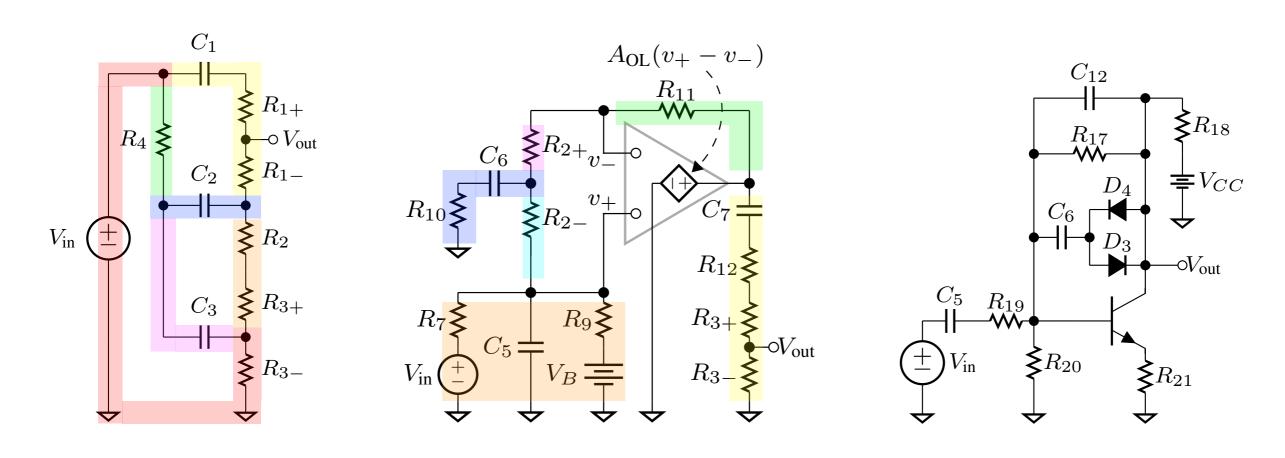
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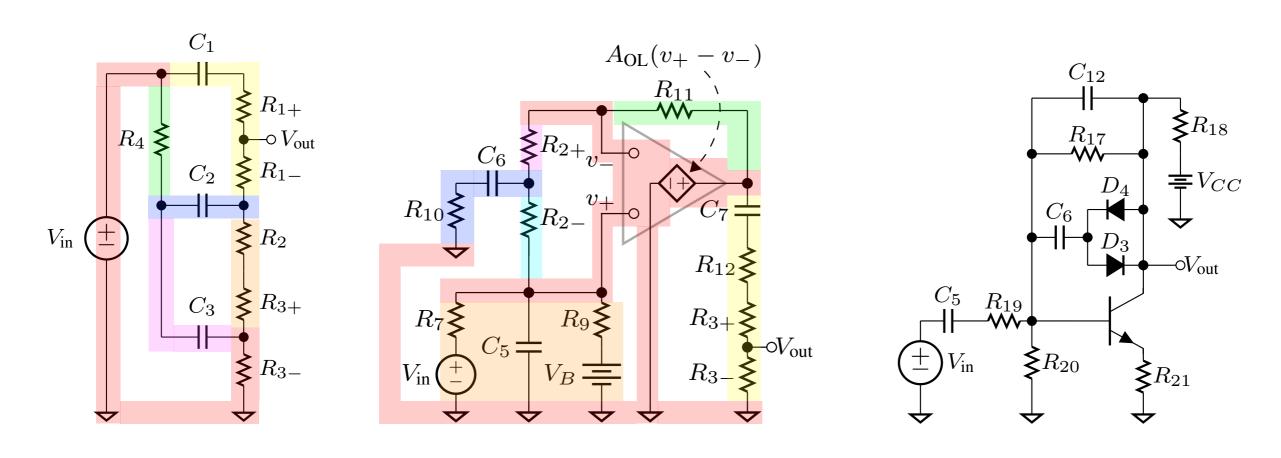
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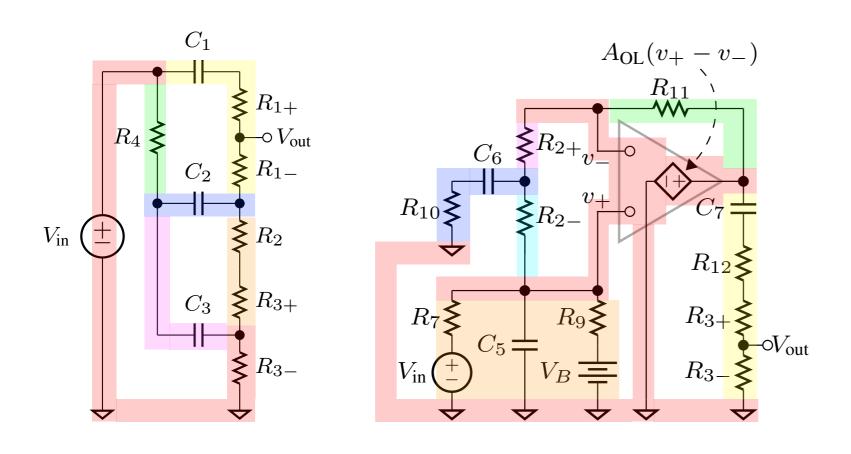
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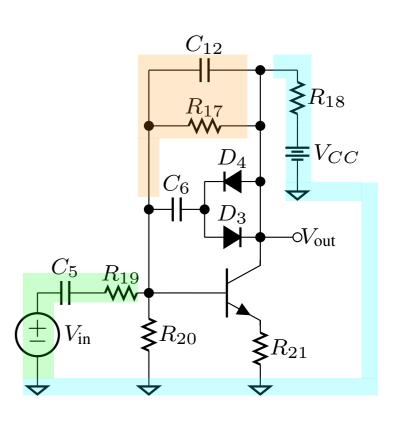


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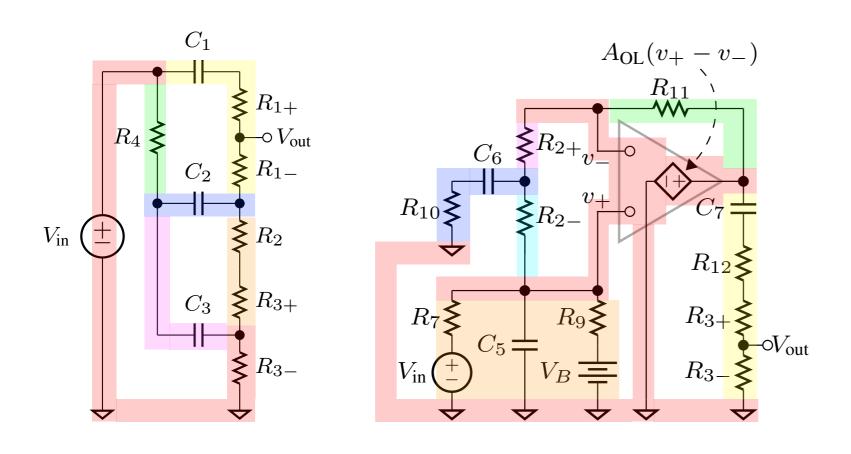


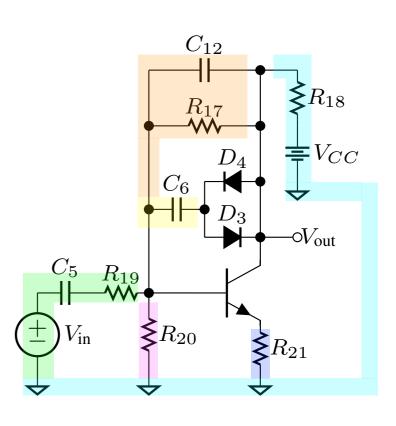
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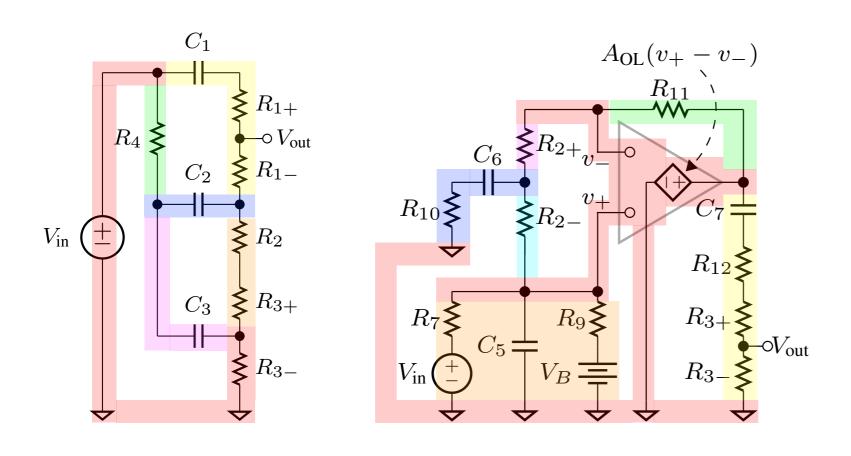


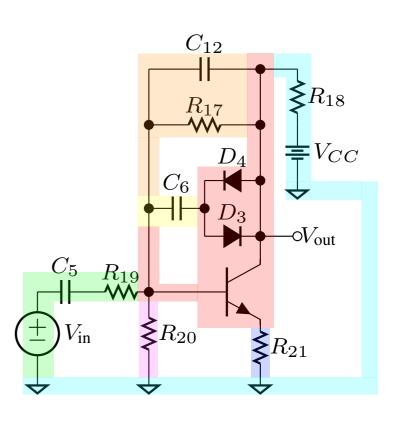
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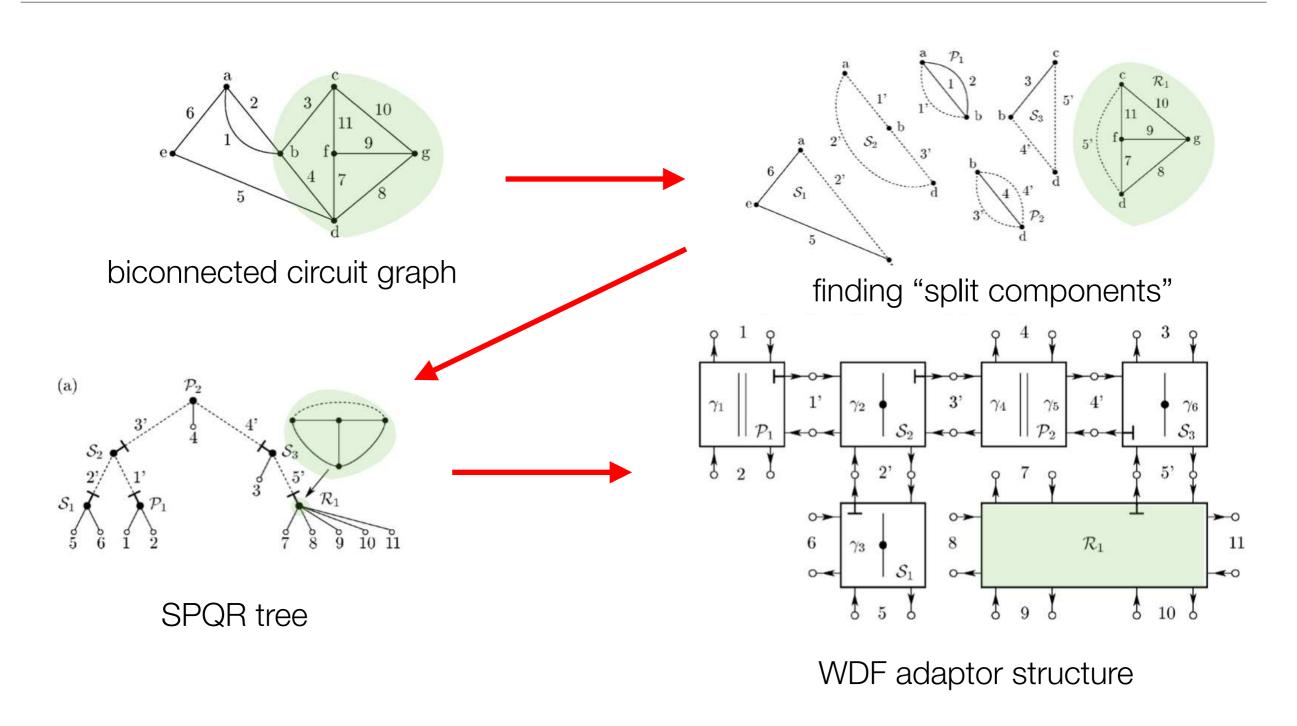


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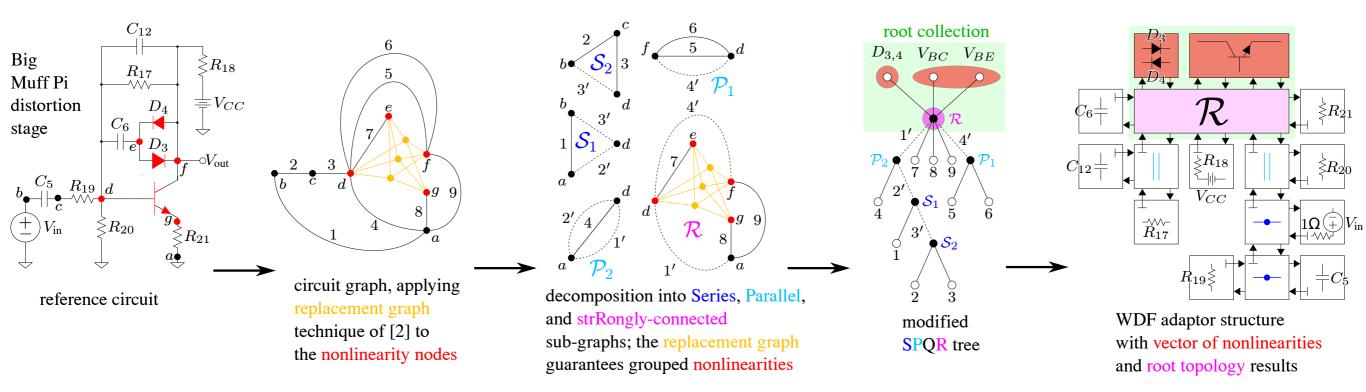


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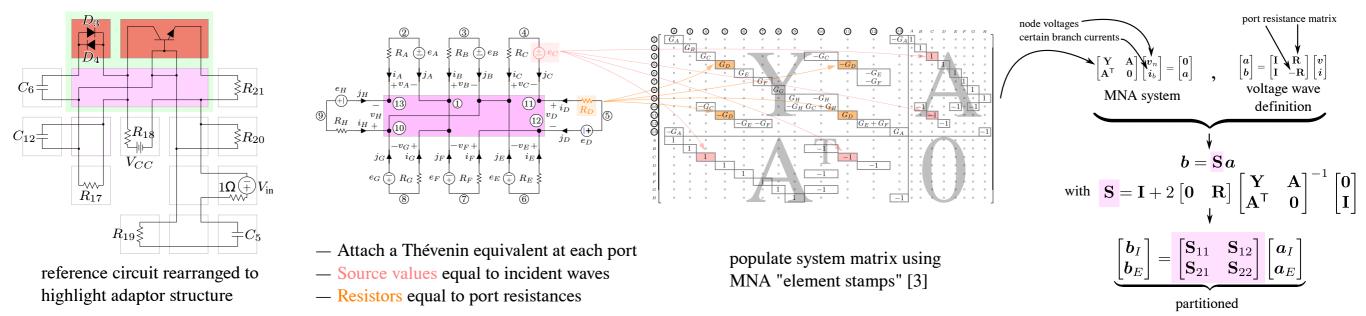
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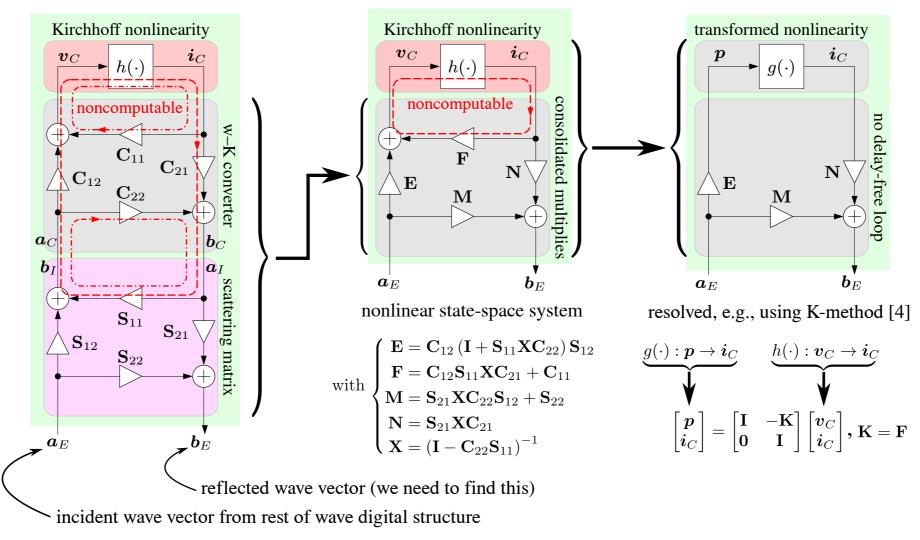
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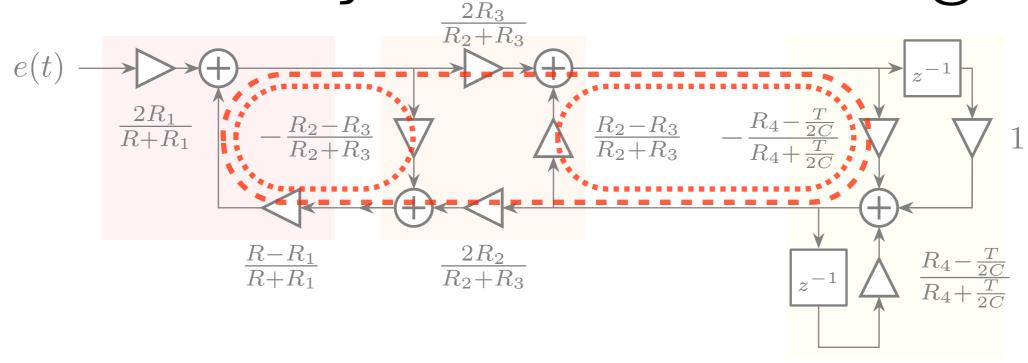
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#### SUMMARY

- WDFs are an elegant solution for circuit modeling
- Frustratingly applicable to only a tiny class of circuits
- Outside that class, ad hoc solutions (focused on nonlinearities) dominate
- New research addressing topological issues (details at talks tomorrow!) vastly expands the range of suitable reference circuits

# Thank you for listening!



...now go build some WDFs!

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