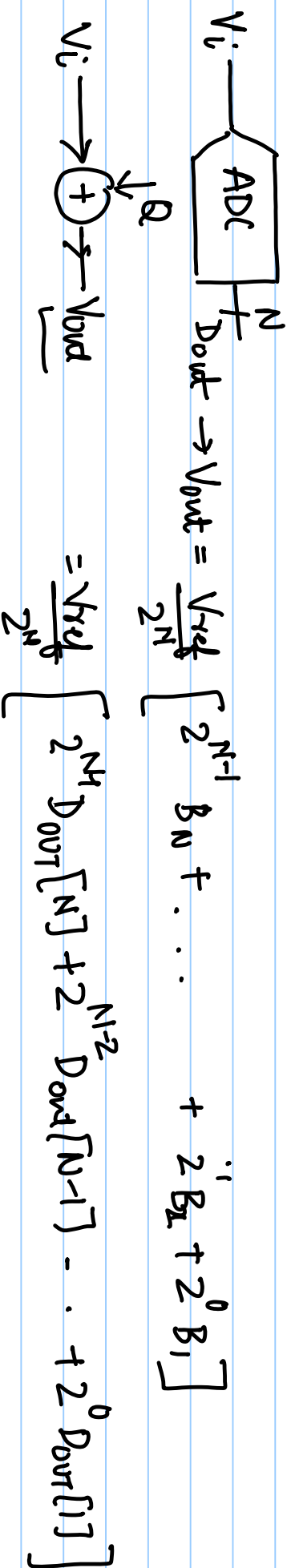


Lecture # 46

Errors in A/D Converters

1. Quantization Error

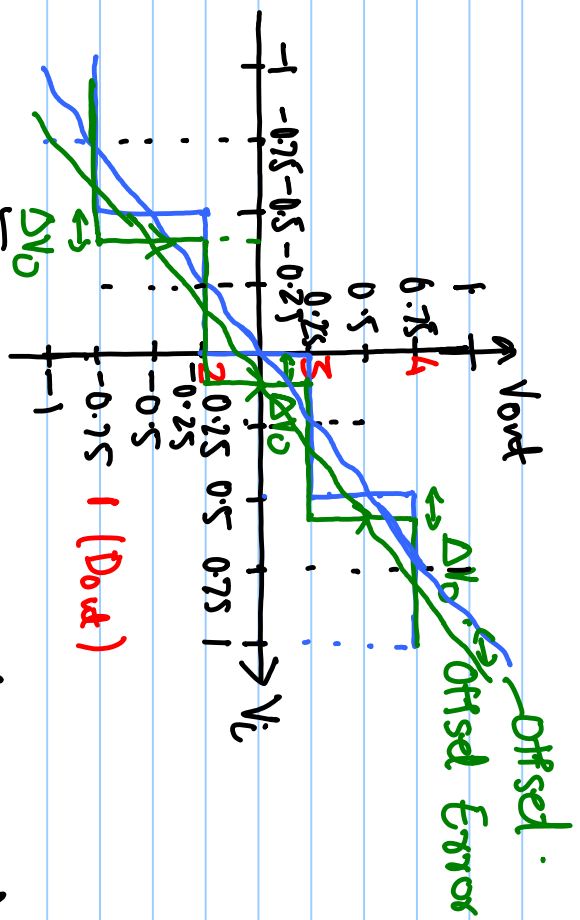


$$V_{out} = V_i + Q$$

$$SNR [dB] = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{\text{Signal Power}}{\text{Noise Power}} \right) = 6.02N + 1.76 \text{ dB}$$

For every increase in bit for ADC \Rightarrow Increase SNR by 6 dB.

2. Offset Error



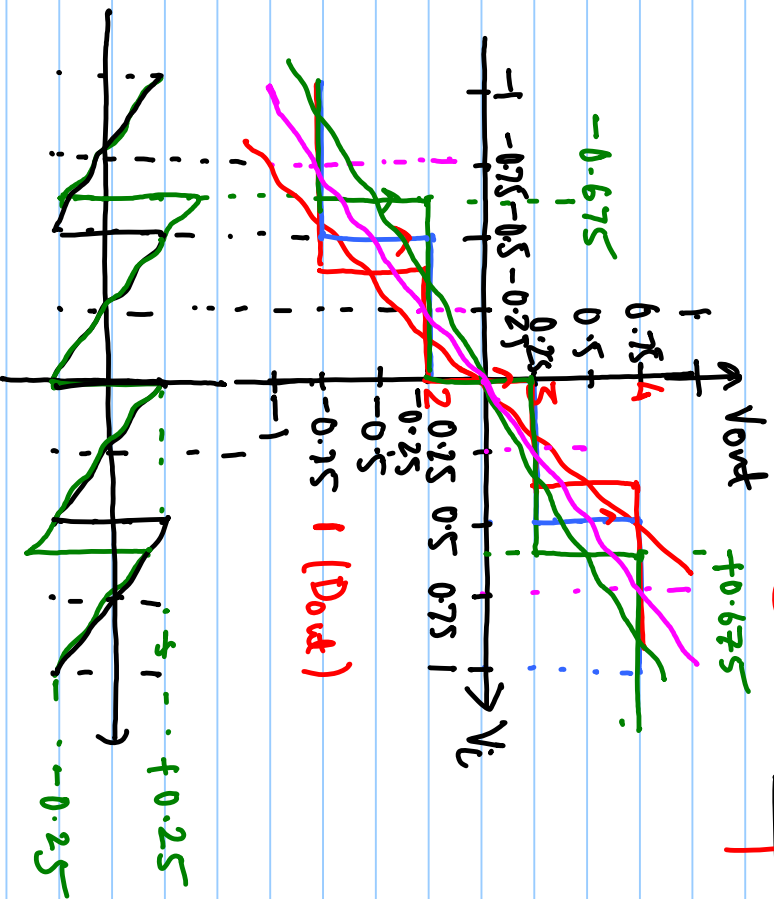
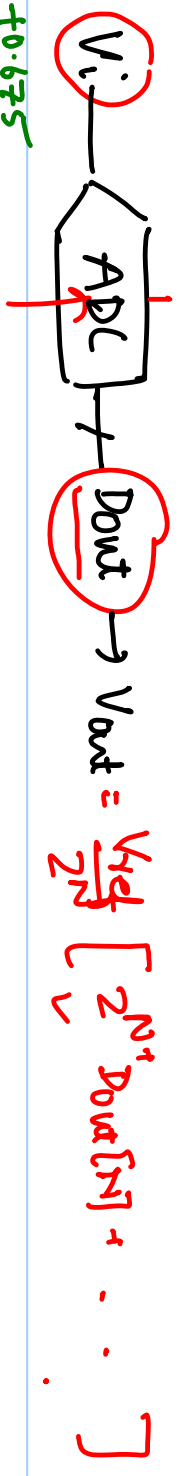
$$V_{out} = 1 V_i + 0.75 \quad (\text{blue curve})$$

$$V_{out} = (V_i - \Delta V_o) + 0.75 \quad (\text{green curve})$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$(-0.5 + \Delta V_o)$$

3. Gain Error



$$V_{out} = 1 \cdot V_i + Q$$

$$V_{out} = k \cdot V_i + Q$$

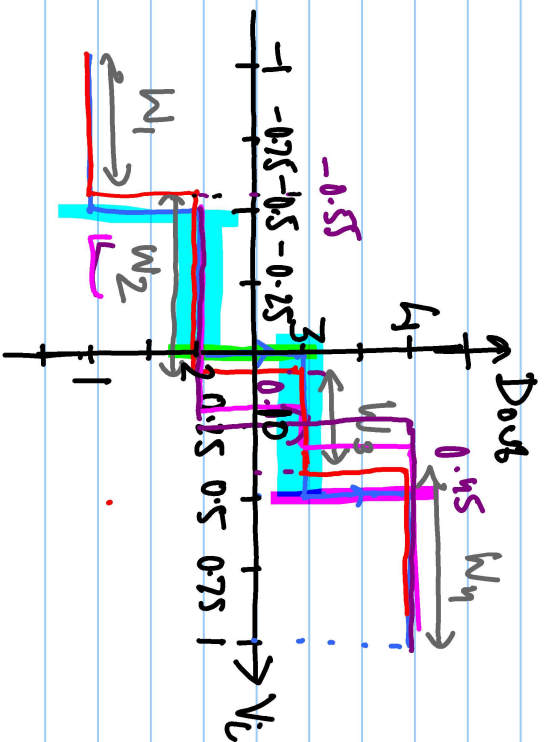
$$k < 1$$

$$-0.25 \leq -0.675 + Q$$

$$Q = +0.325$$

After removing gain error and offset errors, you characterize ADC with Differential Non-linearity (DNL)

Integral Non-linearity (INL)



Ideally. $W_1 = W_2 = W_3 = W_4 = \frac{V_{ref}}{2^N} = \frac{(V_{refh} - V_{refl})}{2^N}$

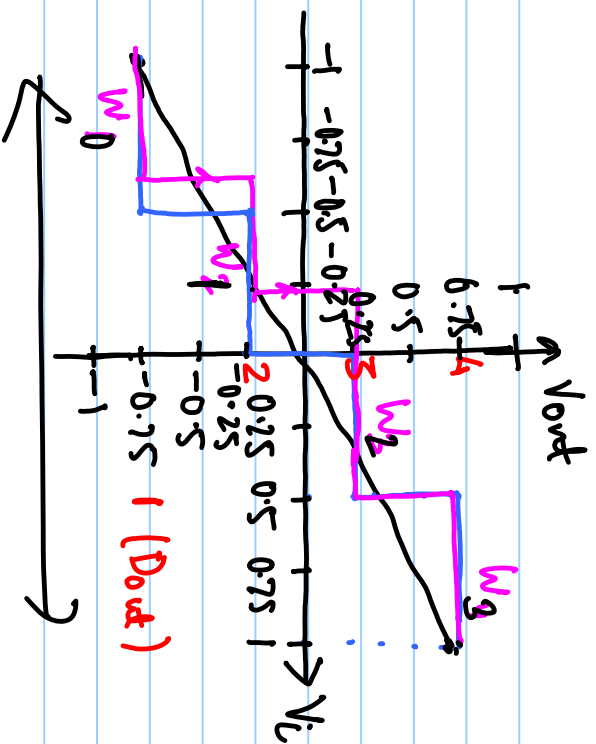
$$DNL(k) = \frac{W_k - 1 \text{ LSB}}{1 \text{ LSB}}$$

$$\sim DNL(1) = \frac{(-0.55 - (-1)) - 0.5}{0.5} = \frac{0.45 - 0.5}{0.5} = -\frac{1}{10}$$

$$DNL(2) = \frac{(0.1 - (-0.55)) - 0.5}{0.5} = \frac{0.15}{0.5} = +\frac{3}{10}$$

For 10-bit ADC, calculate $DNL[k]$, $k=1, 2, \dots, 1024$

$|DNL| < 0.5$ to ensure that there is no missing code in the o/p.



$$INL(k) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} w_i - R \times LSB$$

$$= (w_0 - 1LSB) + (w_1 - 1LSB) + (w_2 - 1LSB) + \dots + (w_{k-1} - 1LSB)$$

$$INL(k) = \frac{(w_0 + w_1 + w_2 + w_3) - 4 \times 1LSB}{4 \times 1LSB} = 0$$

$$INL(2) = (w_0 + w_1) - 2 \times 1LSB.$$

$$INL(k) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} w_i - k \times 1LSB$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (w_i - 1LSB)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} w_i - k \times 1LSB$$

