

Second-Generation Current Controlled Conveyer (CCCI)

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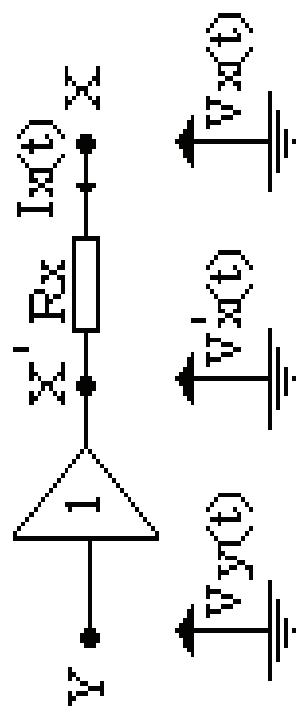
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- Several current-mode filters using current conveyors have been proposed in the literature.
- *However, most of these filters suffer from the lack of electronic adjustability.*
- A current-mode filter theoretically should exhibit high output impedance to enable easy cascability
- to enable additional filter responses by simply connecting the outputs.

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- By using the second-generation current controlled conveyor (CCCI) introduced by Falbre *et al.* (1995), current conveyor applications can be extended to the domain of electronically adjustable functions.
- Electronic adjustability of the CCCI is attributed to the dependence of the parasitic resistance at port x on the bias current of the current conveyor.

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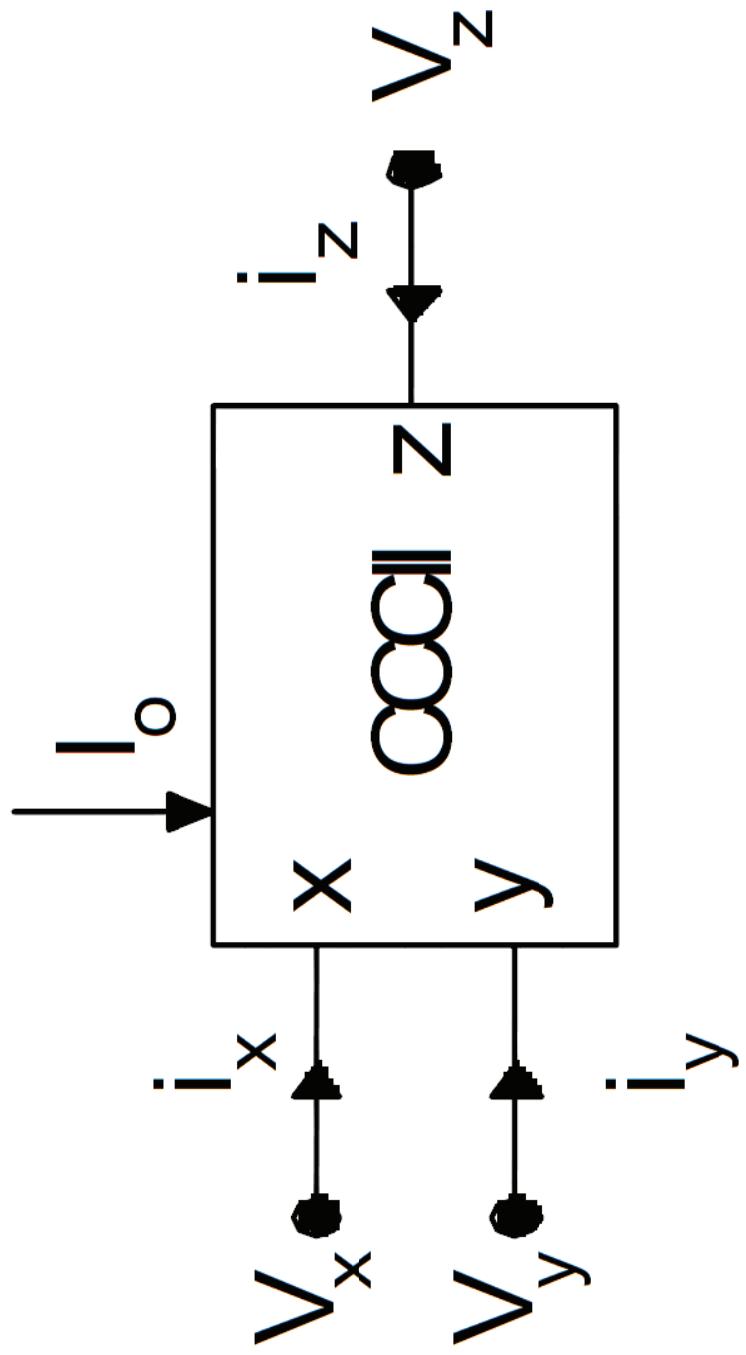
Modeling of parasitic resistance of X terminal, ideal voltage buffer and series parasitic resistance Rx

$$R_X = \frac{V_X - V_Y}{I_X}$$

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- The input resistance R_x at terminal x is proportional to $1/I_o$ for BJT realizations
- proportional to $1/\sqrt{I_O}$ CMOS realizations
- It is possible to control its value by changing the biasing current I_o .

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Electrical symbol of the CCCI.

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- The port relations of a CCCI can be characterized by

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_y \\ V_x \\ I_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & R_x & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_y \\ I_x \\ V_z \end{bmatrix}$$

- where the positive sign denotes a positive current controlled conveyor (CCCI+) and the negative sign denotes a negative current controlled conveyor (CCCI-).

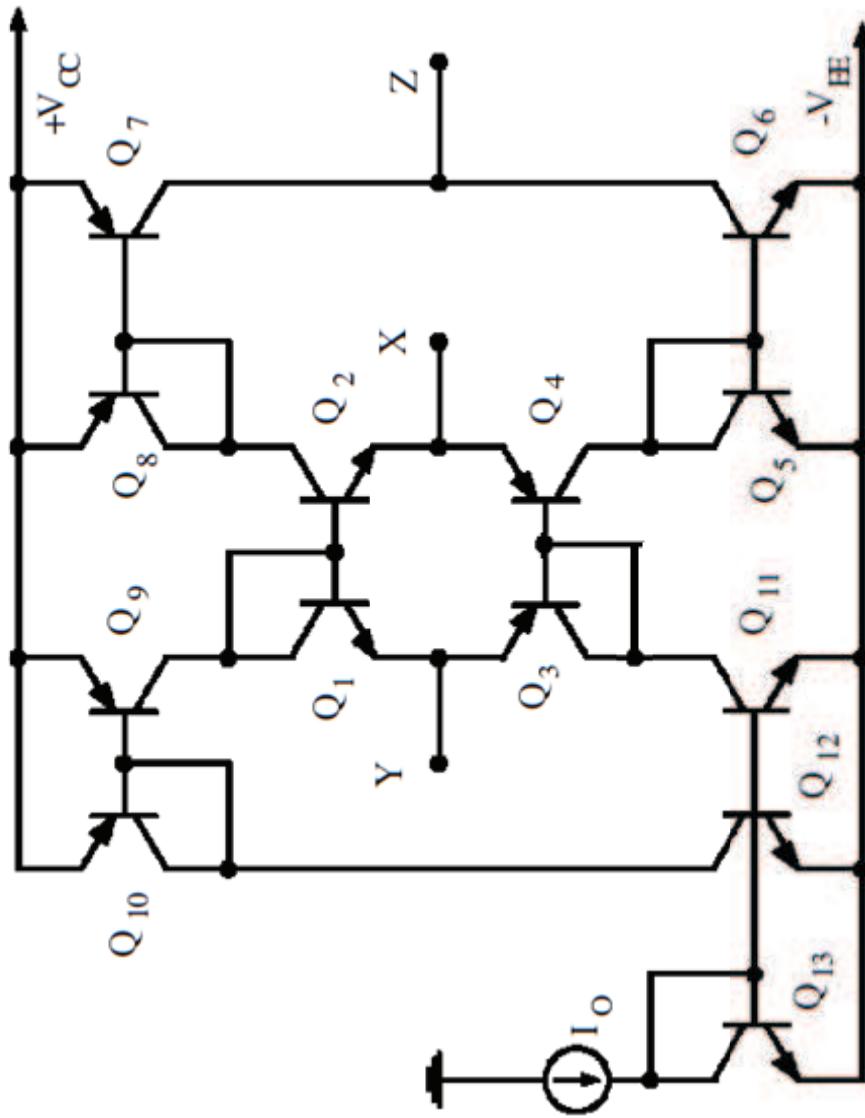
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- The conveyor x-input impedance is calculated as for bipolar CCCII realization

$$R_X = \frac{V_X - V_Y}{I_X} = \frac{V_T}{2I_0}$$

- where V_T is the thermal voltage.
- The x-input impedance can be controlled by the bias current I_0 .

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Bipolar Realization circuit of CCCI.

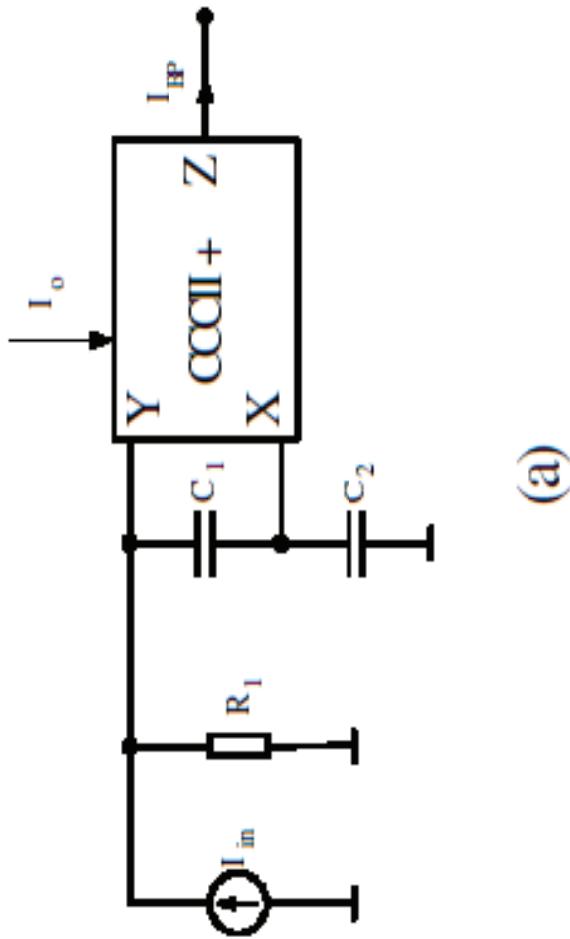
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Filter Realization employing second- generation current-controlled conveyors

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- The circuit of Figure (a) comprises one CCCII+, two capacitors and one resistor
- realizes bandpass Filter at high output impedance.



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$$\frac{I_{BP}}{I_m} = \frac{\frac{1}{C_1 R_x} s}{s^2 + \frac{(C_1 + C_2)}{R_1 C_1 C_2} s + \frac{1}{R_1 R_x C_1 C_2}}$$

and the parameters ω_o and ω_o/Q can be given as

$$\omega_o = \sqrt{\frac{1}{R_1 R_x C_1 C_2}}$$

$$\frac{\omega_o}{Q} = \frac{(C_1 + C_2)}{R_1 C_1 C_2}$$

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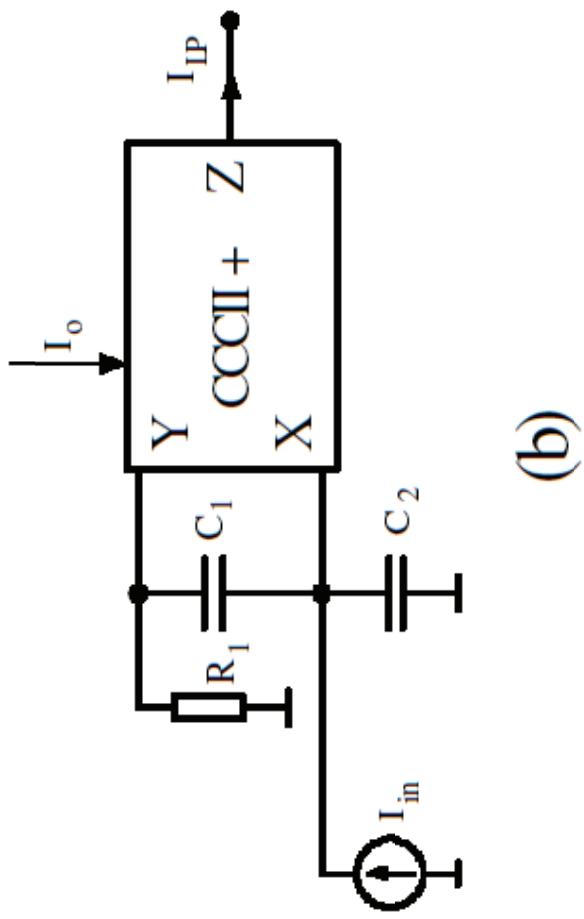
the active and passive sensitivities of the parameters ω_o and ω_o/Q are

$$\begin{aligned} S_{R_1}^{\omega_o} &= S_{R_x}^{\omega_o} = S_{C_1}^{\omega_o} = S_{C_2}^{\omega_o} = -\frac{1}{2}, & S_{I_o}^{\omega_o} &= \frac{1}{2}, & S_{V_T}^{\omega_o} &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ S_{C_1}^{\omega_o/Q} &= \frac{-C_2}{C_1 + C_2}, & S_{C_2}^{\omega_o/Q} &= \frac{-C_1}{C_1 + C_2}, & S_{R_1}^{\omega_o/Q} &= -1, \\ S_{I_o}^{\omega_o/Q} &= 0, & S_{V_T}^{\omega_o/Q} &= 0 & S_{R_x}^{\omega_o/Q} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

which are no more than unity in magnitude.

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- The Filter shown in Figure 3(b) uses one CCCII+, two capacitors and one resistor for realizing lowpass Filter at high output impedance.



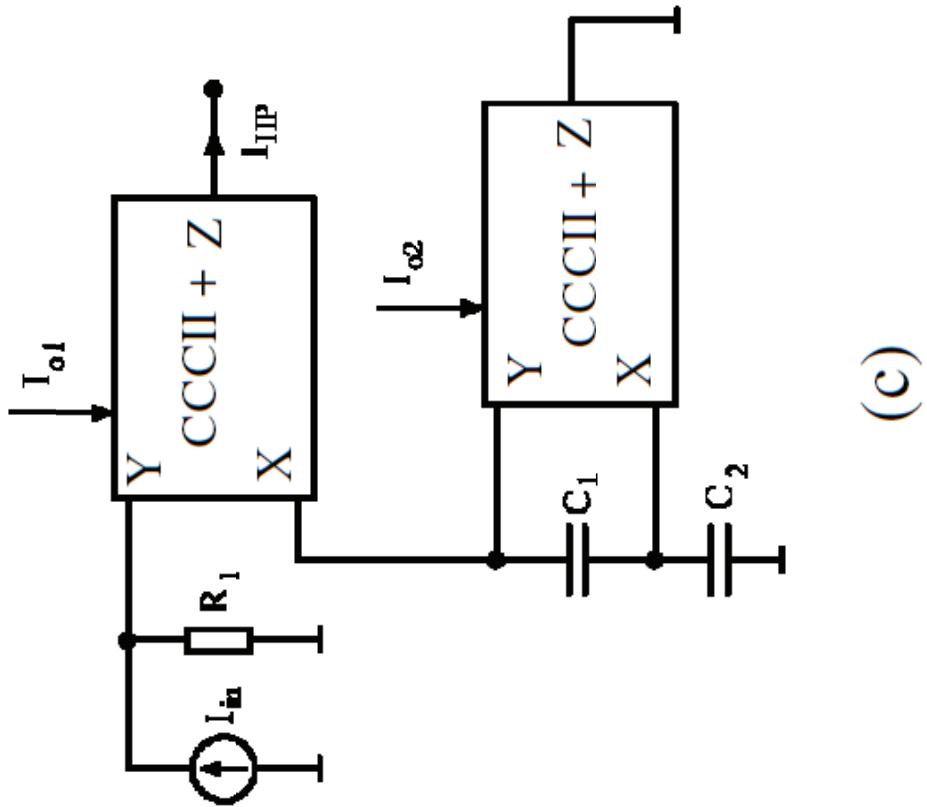
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$$\frac{I_{LP}}{I_{in}} = -\frac{1}{s^2 + \frac{(C_1 + C_2)}{R_1 C_1 C_2} s + \frac{1}{R_1 R_x C_1 C_2}}$$

The parameters ω_o and ω_o/Q are represented by the same equations as the first circuit. Also the sensitivities of this

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- The third circuit shown in Figure (c) employs two CCCII+, two capacitors and one resistor,
- produces highpass response at high output impedance.



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$$\frac{I_{HP}}{I_{in}} = \frac{\frac{R_1}{R_{x1}} s^2}{s^2 + \frac{(C_1 + C_2)}{R_{x1} C_1 C_2} s + \frac{1}{R_{x1} R_{x2} C_1 C_2}}$$

The parameters ω_o and ω_o/Q of this circuit are calculated as

$$\frac{\omega_o}{Q} = \frac{1}{R_{x1} R_{x2} C_1 C_2}$$

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Sensitivity analysis shows that

$$\begin{aligned} S_{R_{x1}}^{\omega_o} &= S_{R_{x2}}^{\omega_o} = S_{C_1}^{\omega_o} = S_{C_2}^{\omega_o} = -\frac{1}{2}, & S_{I_{o1}}^{\omega_o} &= S_{I_{o2}}^{\omega_o} = \frac{1}{2}, & S_{V_T}^{\omega_o} &= -1 \\ S_{C_1}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= \frac{-C_2}{C_1 + C_2}, & S_{C_2}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= \frac{-C_1}{C_1 + C_2}, & S_{R_{x1}}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= -1, & S_{R_{x2}}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= 0 \\ S_{I_{ol}}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= 1, & S_{I_{o2}}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= 0, & S_{V_T}^{\omega_o}/\varrho &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

which are no more than unity in magnitude.

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- The circuits in Figure (a) and Figure (c) can easily be converted to voltage-in current-out circuits
- Transadmittance type filter by taking the Thevenin equivalent of the signal source.
- The modified configuration can be used to interface voltage mode filters to current mode ones.
- All of the proposed filters are attractive for integrated circuit implementation for small values of the capacitors.

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Simulation results

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- The filters are simulated with PSPICE circuit simulation program.
- The CCII+ is simulated using the bipolar implementation with symmetrical DC supply voltages of 2,5V.
- The PNP and the NPN transistors in CCII+ implementation are simulated using the parameters of the NR100N and PR100N bipolar transistors given in table 1.
- The bandpass filter is designed to realize a filter response with a quality factor of $Q = 2.19$ and natural frequency of $f_0 = 139.5 \text{ kHz}$.
- The lowpass and highpass filters are designed to realize a Butterworth type filter response ($Q = 0.707$) with a natural frequency of $f_0 = 173.1 \text{ kHz}$.

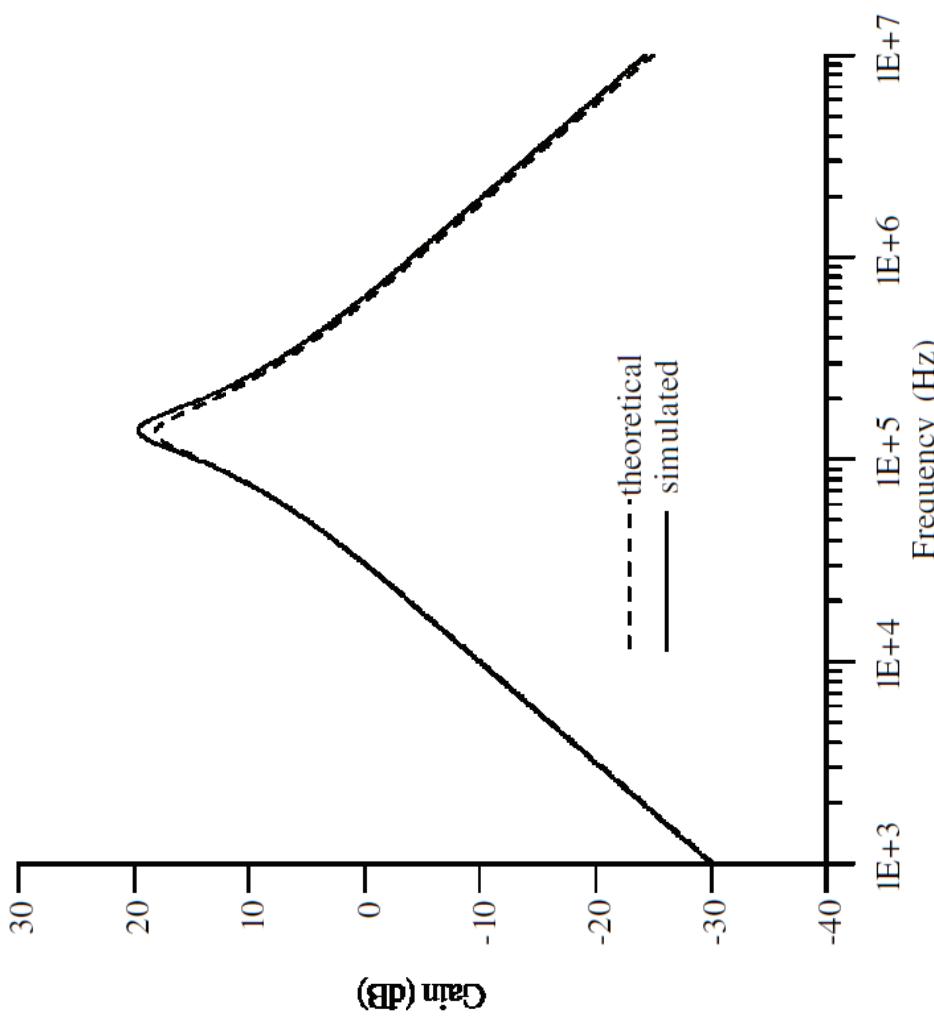
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MODEL NR100N NPN (IS= 121E-018 BF= 137.5 VAF= 159.4 IKF= 6.974E-3 ISE= 36E-16
+ NE= 1.713 BR= 0.7258 VAR= 10.73 IKR= 2.198E-3 RE= 1 RB= 524.6 RBM= 25 RC= 50
+ CJE= 0.214E-1 2 VJE= 0.5 MJE= 0.28 CJC= 0.983E-13 VJC= 0.5 MJC= 0.3 XCJC= 0.034
+ CJS= 0.913E-12 VJS= 0.64 MJS= 0.4 FC= 0.5 TF= 0.425E-9 TR= 0.425E-8 EG= 1.206
+ XTB= 1.538 XTI= 2)
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MODEL PR100N PNP (IS= 73.5E-018 BF= 110 VAF= 51.8 IKF= 2.359E-3 ISE= 25.1E-16
+ NE= 1.650 BR= 0.4745 VAR= 9.96 IKR= 6.478E-3 RE= 3 RB= 327 RBM= 24.55 RC= 50
+ CJE= 0.180E-1 2 VJE= 0.5 MJE= 0.28 CJC= 0.164E-12 VJC= 0.8 MJC= 0.4 XCJC= 0.037
+ CJS= 1.03E-12 VJS= 0.55 MJS= 0.35 FC= 0.5 TF= 0.610E-9 TR= 0.610E-8 EG= 1.206
+ XTB= 1.866 XTI= 1.7)
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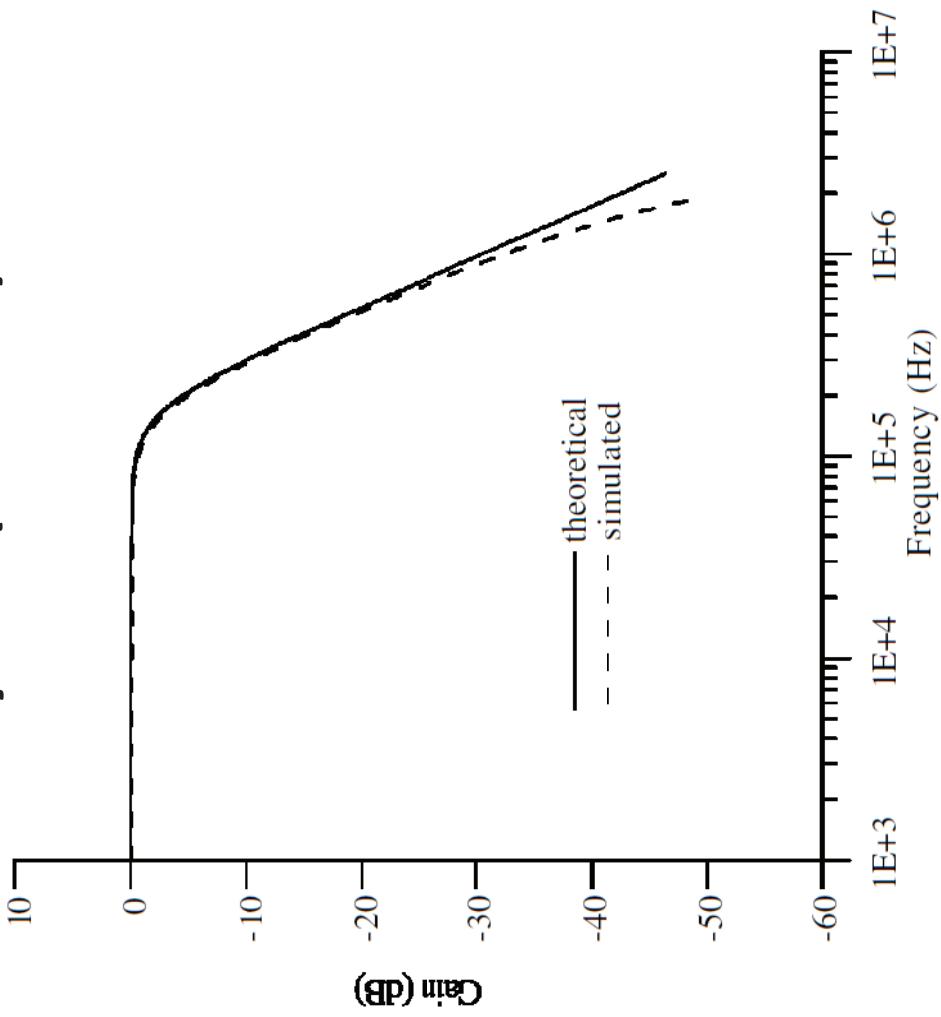
Table 1. The model parameters of the NR100N and PR100N bipolar transistors used for PSPICE simulations.

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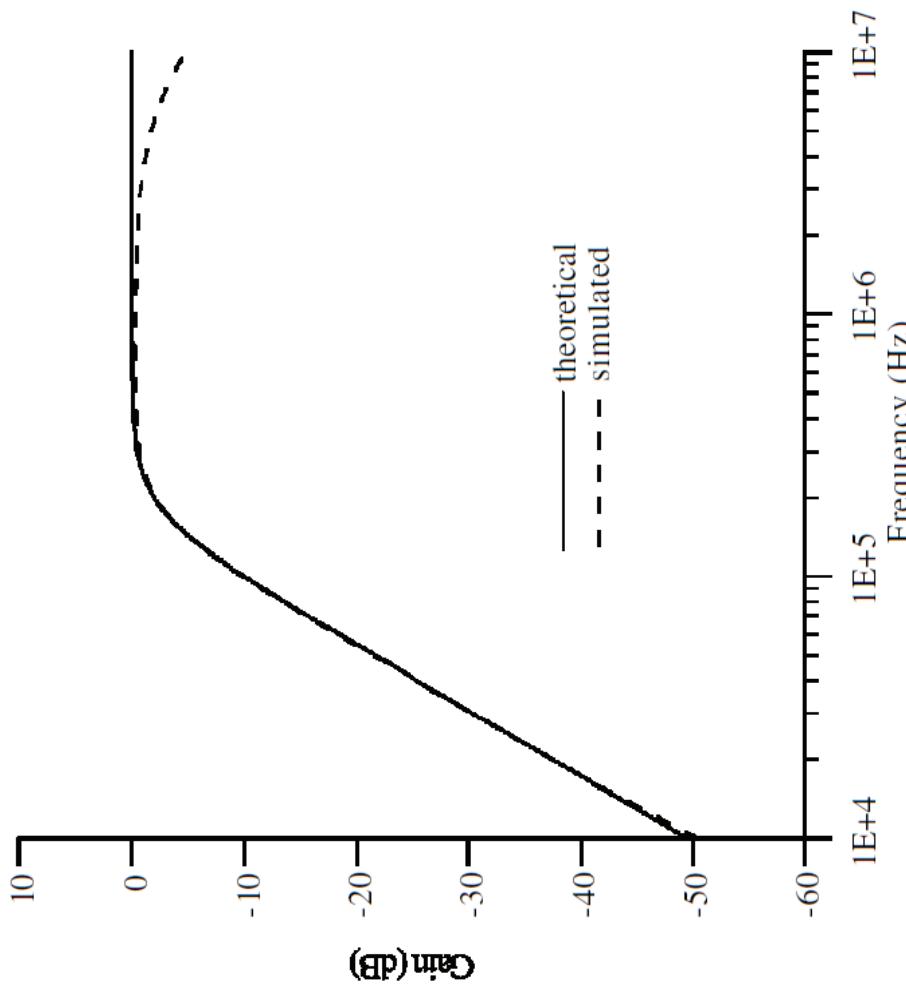
Theoretical and simulated bandpass responses.

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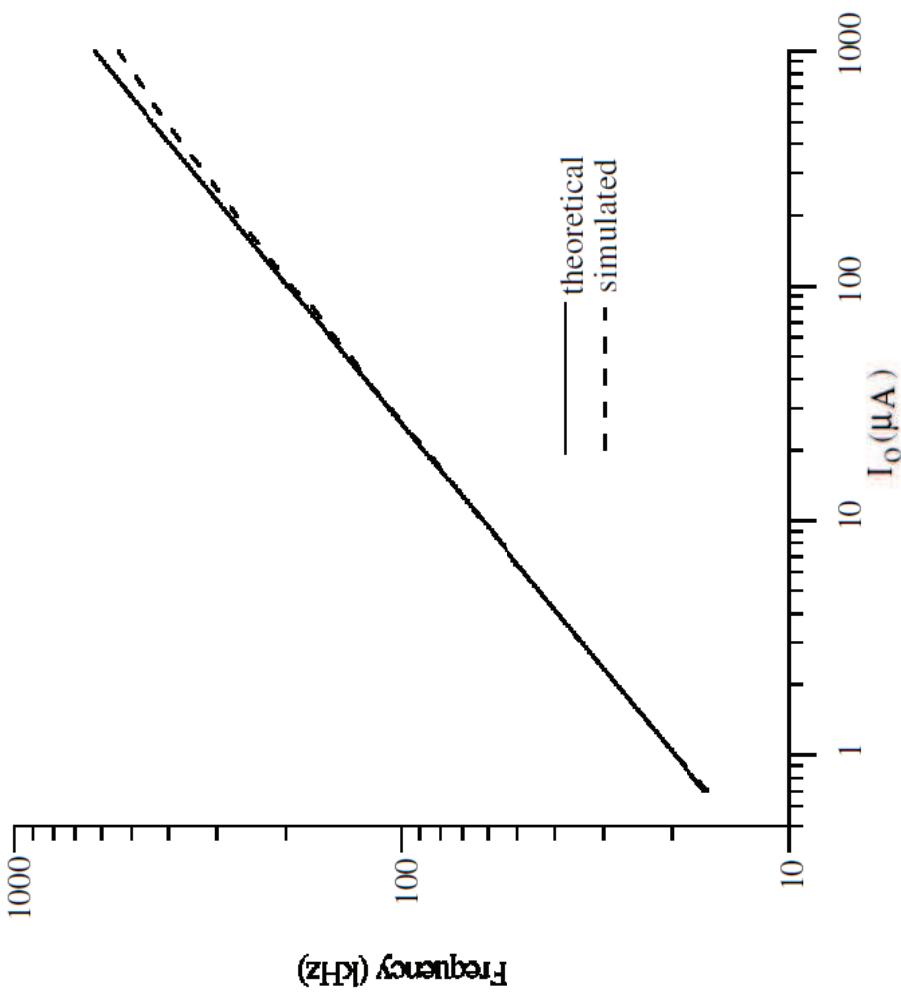
Theoretical and simulated lowpass response.

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Theoretical and simulated highpass response.

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Variation of the natural frequency f_o with the bias current I_o for the bandpass filter.

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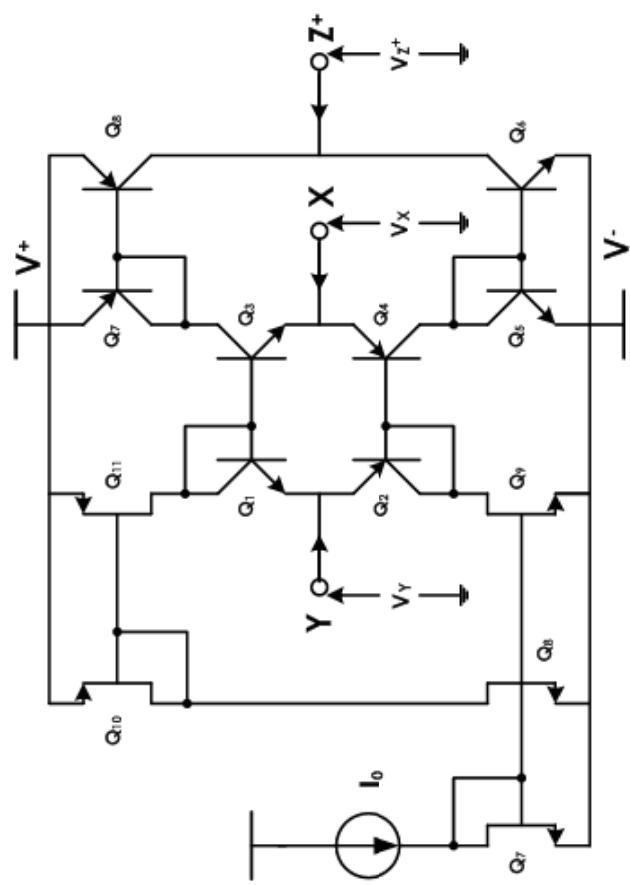
- The variability of the natural frequency f_0 with the bias current I_{0B} for the bandpass filter.
- It can be seen that the circuit exhibits a large tuning range.

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High Frequency Applications

- Y. Lakys, B. Godara, A Fabre, “Cognitive and Encrypted Communications, Part 2 : A New Approach to ActiveFrequency-Agile Filters and Validation Results for an Agile Bandpass Topology in SiGe-BiCMOS”, Proc. of ELECO’2009: The 6th International Conference on Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Vol.2, pp.16-29, 5-8 November, Bursa, Turkey.

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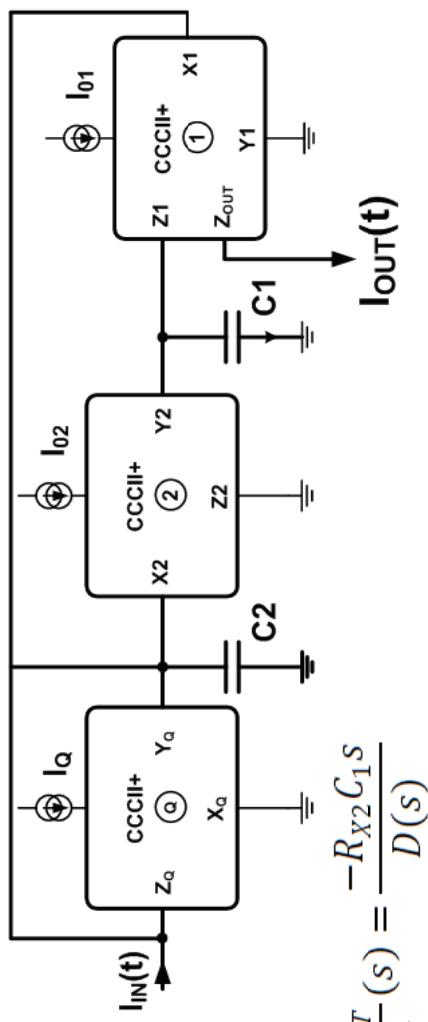
- The circuits were integrated in 0.25 μm SiGe BiCMOS technology from ST Microelectronics.
 - The transition frequency of the NPN transistors in this technology is 55 GHz; the vertical PNP transistors have f_{rp} of 6 GHz.

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	Voltage follower	Current follower
Gain (dB)	-0.009	0.03
-3dB Bandwidth	21.6 GHz	4.5 GHz
Input Impedance	466kΩ//0.046pF	162Ω
Output Impedance	162Ω	152kΩ//0.04pF
Output offset	486µV	3µA
Consumption	2.57 mW	2.57 mW

Characteristics of the CCCII, $V^+ = V^- = 2.5$ V; $I_o = 100$ µA.

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$$\frac{I_{OUT}}{I_{IN}}(s) = \frac{-R_{X2}C_1s}{D(s)}$$

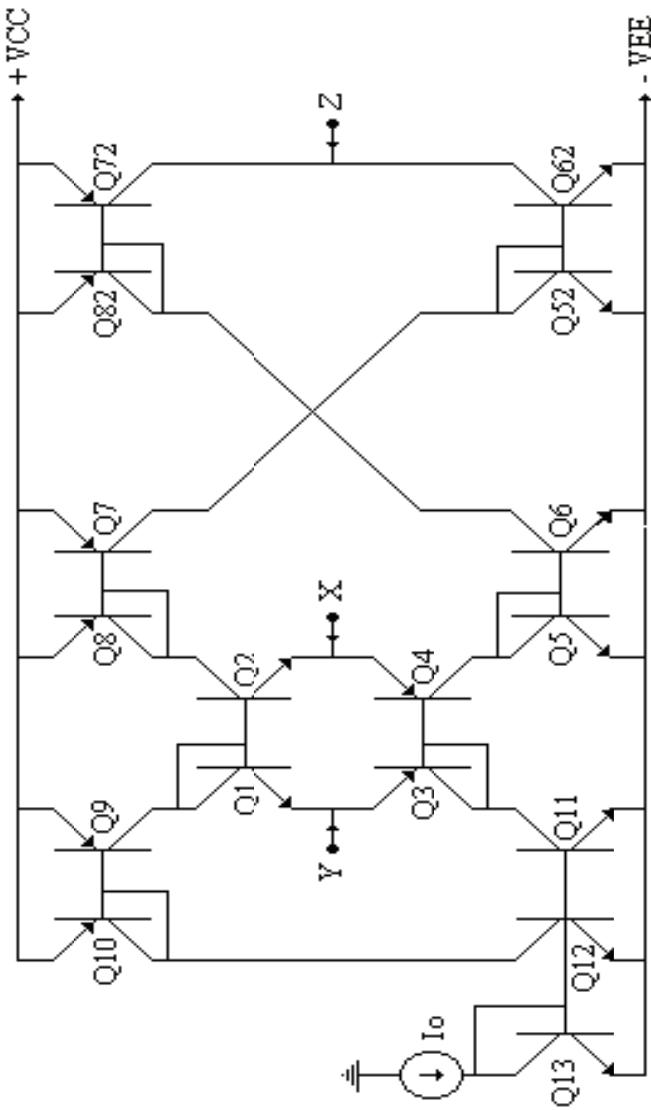
with:

$$D(s) = 1 + \left[R_{X1} + R_{X2} - \frac{R_{X1}R_{X2}}{R_{XQ}} \right] C_1 s + R_{X1}R_{X2}C_1C_2s^2$$

- The circuit includes three current controlled conveyors with positive current transfer from X to Z (CCCI+).
- The section conveyor (1, 2), capacitor C_1 and capacitor C_2 is equivalent to a shunt RLC circuit.
- The conveyor (Q), connected as a negative resistance; allows tuning of the quality factor of the filter through the bias current IQ.

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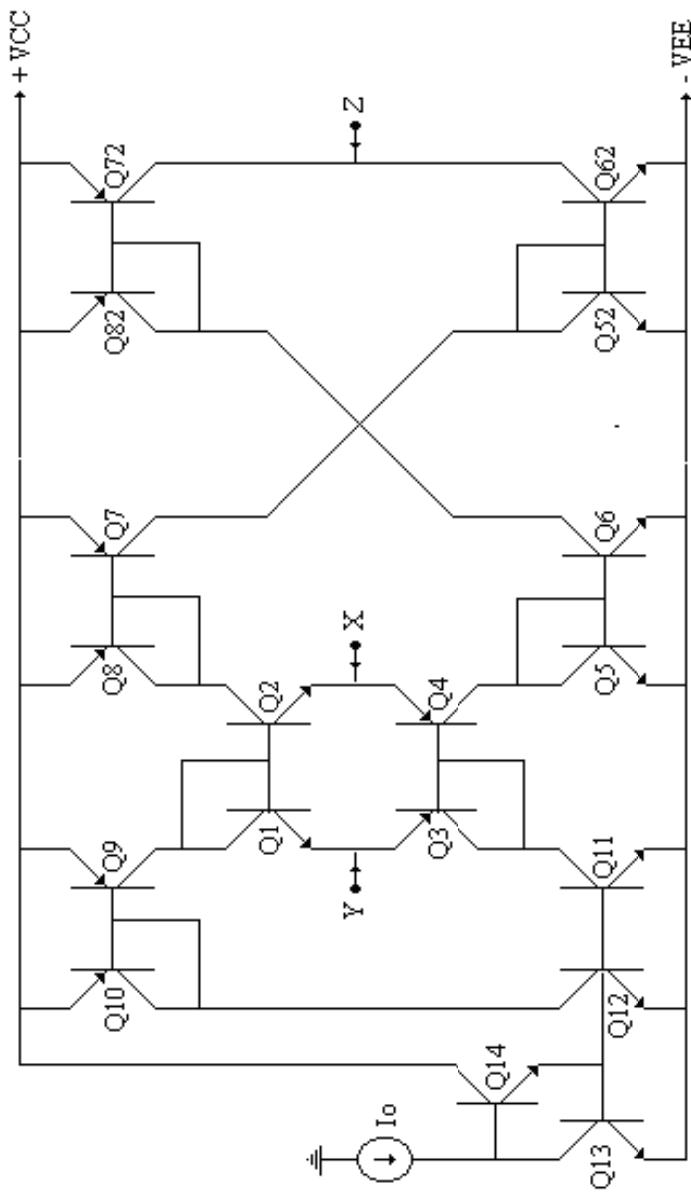
Further Bipolar Structures



Negative (inverting)current controlled current conveyor

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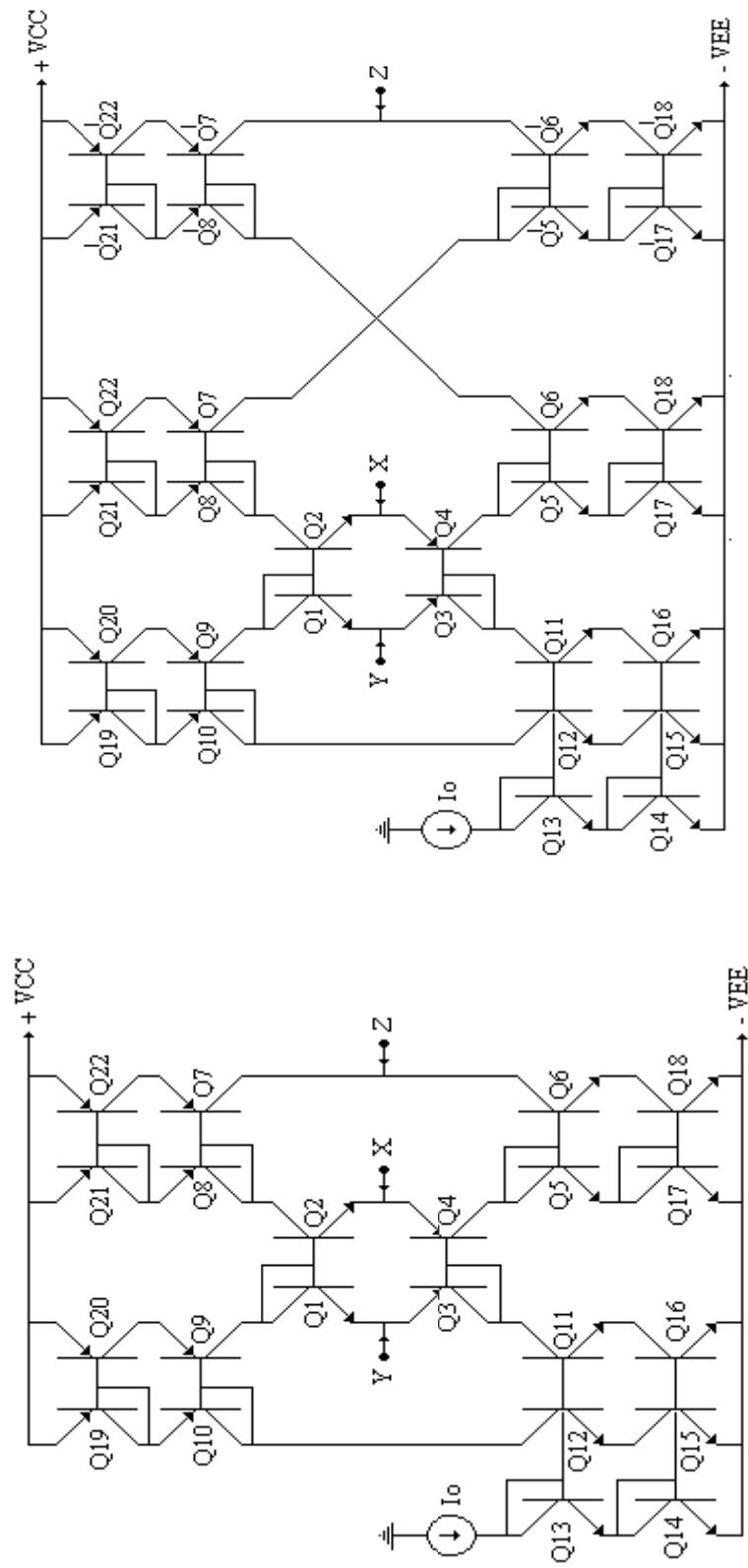


(a)

Negative (inverting) current controlled current conveyor with compensated base current

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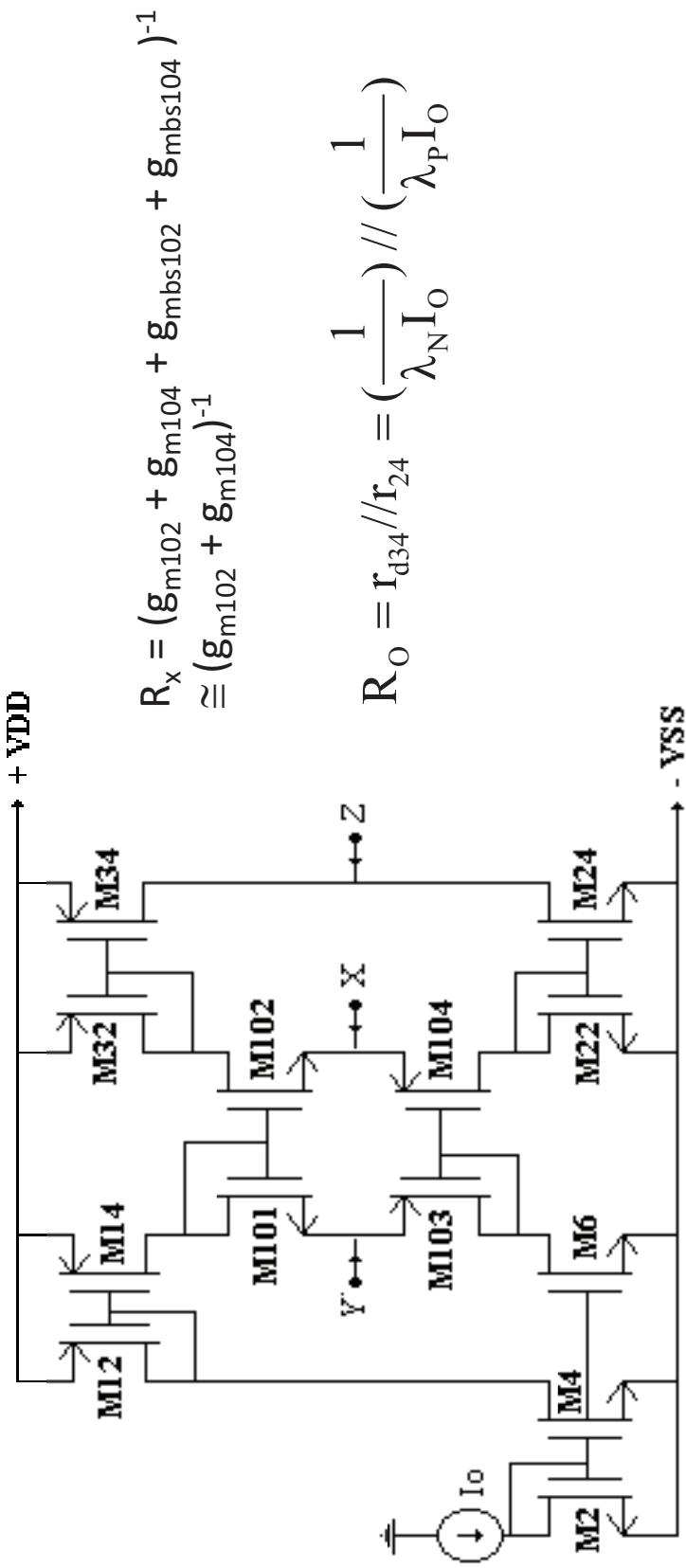
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Positive and negative conveyors employing cascode current-mirrors

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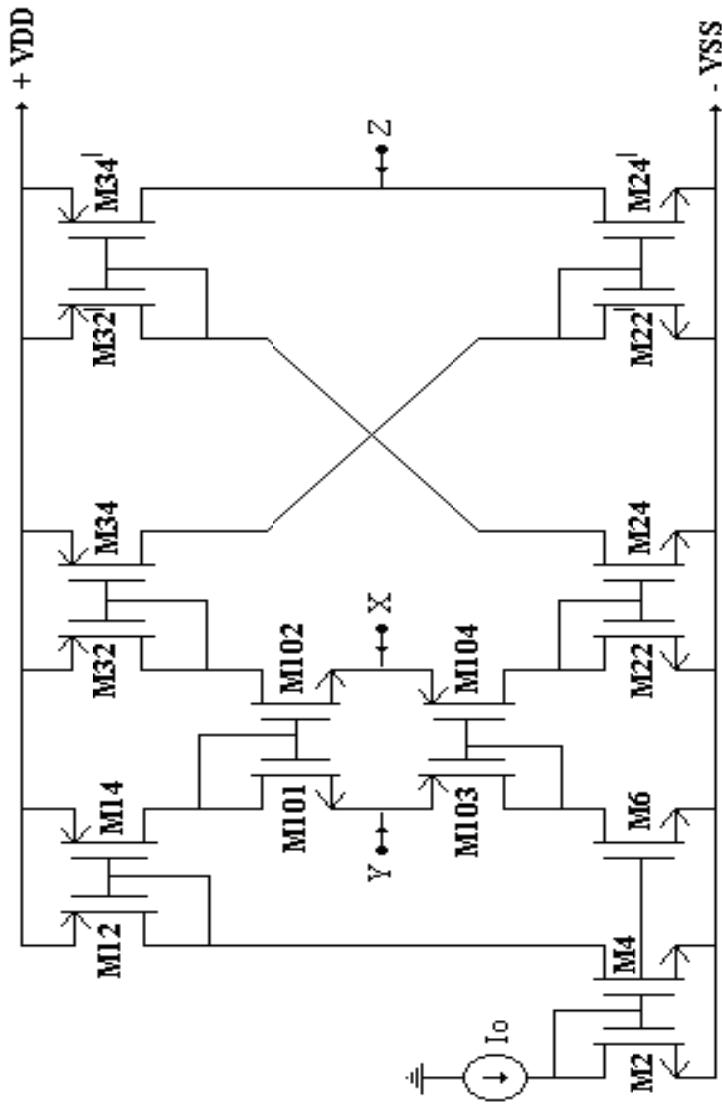
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CMOS positive (noninverting) conveyor

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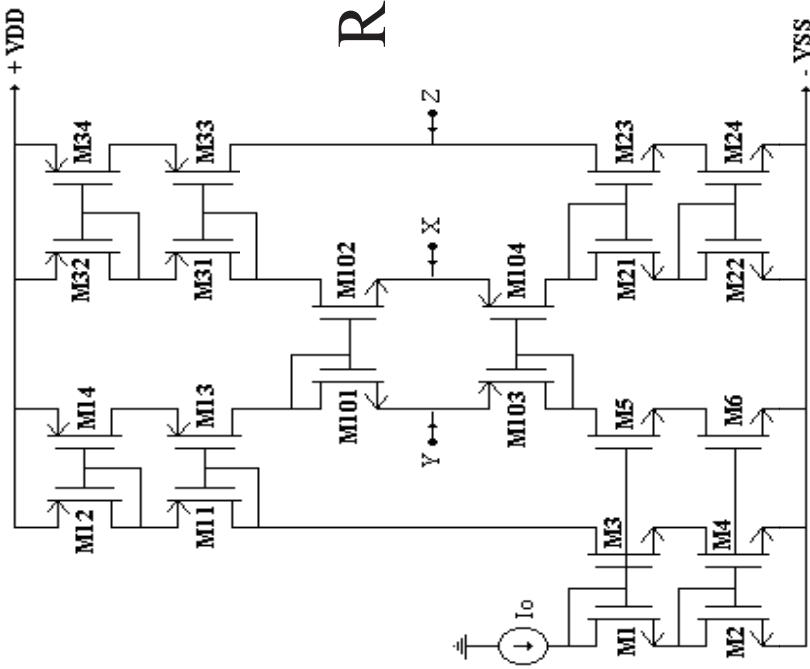
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CMOS negative (inverting) conveyor

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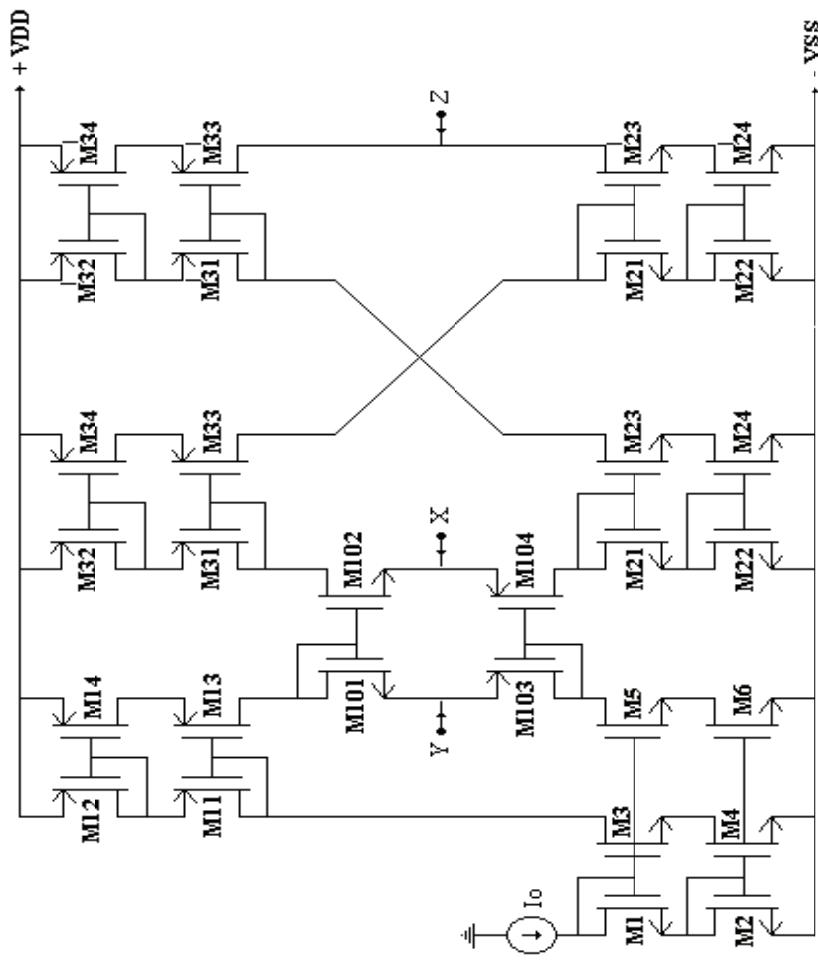
$$R_x = \frac{(g_m102 + g_m104 + g_{mbs102} + g_{mbs104})^{-1}}{(g_m102 + g_m104)^{-1}}$$

$$R_O = (g_{m3} \cdot r_{ds23} \cdot r_{ds24}) / (g_{m3} \cdot r_{ds33} \cdot r_{ds34})$$

Positive conveyor employing cascode current-mirrors

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Negative conveyor employing cascode current-mirrors

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