

Digital-to-Analog Converter Architectures Based on Polygonal Numbers

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Research Objective

- **Interesting properties of number theory**

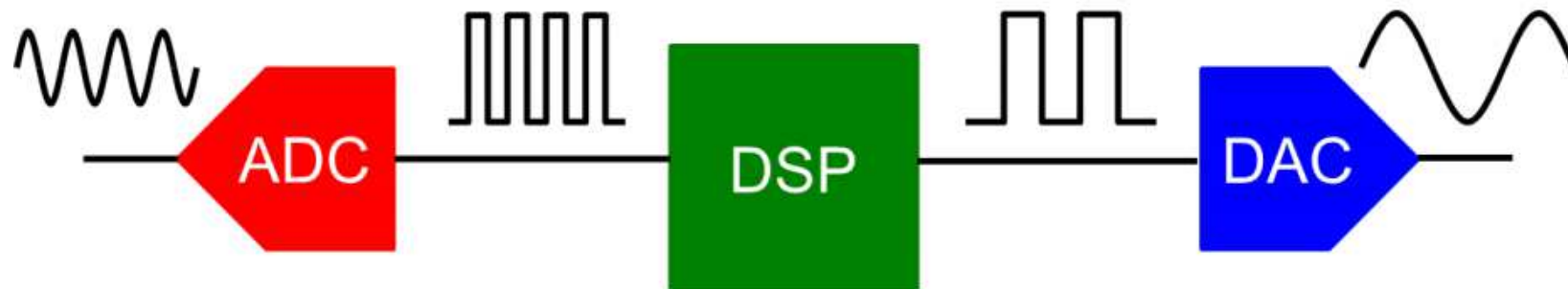


- **Possibility of new configurations of DAC (6-bit case)**



Importance of ADC / DAC

- Rapid development of digital electronics technology
- A natural signal is analog



DACs are Everywhere !



**Communication
equipment**



**Electronic measuring
instrument**



Audio systems

Integer Theory and Electronic Circuit Design

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Many interesting properties of Integers



Currently
No Link

Electronic circuit designs

Our research here makes their links !



Carolus Fridericus Gauss
(1777-1855)

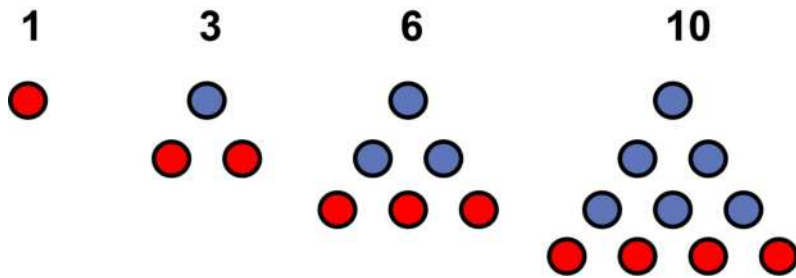
Integer theory is the
queen of Mathematics

Polygonal Number

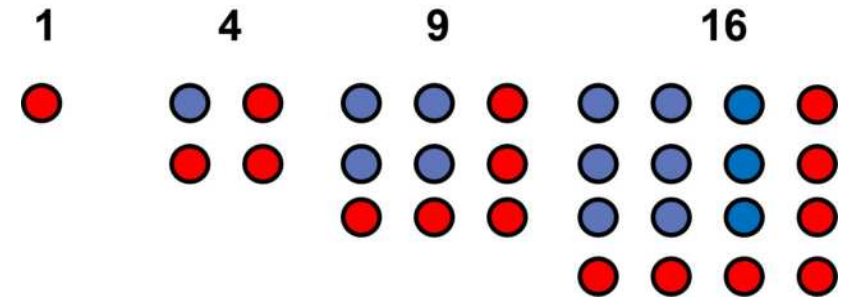
Polygonal Number



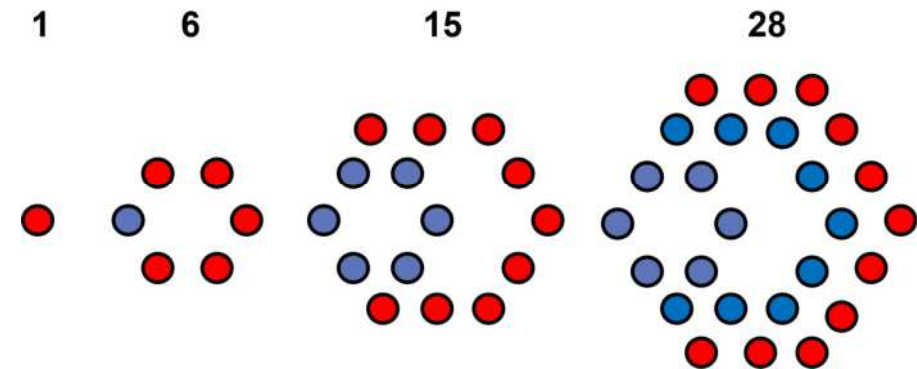
Represented as dots or pebbles arranged in the shape of a regular polygon.



(a) Triangular numbers.



(b) Square numbers.



(c) Hexagonal numbers.

Polygonal Number Theorem

Any natural number



expressed by

Sum of N N -angular numbers

k -th of N -angular number, $m(N, k)$ can be expressed by

$$m(N, k) = (1/2) k [(N-2)k - (N-4)]$$

Then N -angular numbers are given by

$$1, N, 3N-3, 6N-8, 10N-15, \dots$$

for $k=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$

What is Triangular Number ?

Triangular Number : 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36, 45, 55, 66, 78, 91, .. $n(n+1)/2$

									1										
								2	3										
							4	5	6										
						7	8	9	10										
					11	12	13	14	15										
				16	17	18	19	20	21										
			22	23	24	25	26	27	28										
		29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36										
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45										
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55										
56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66									
67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78								
79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91							

Theory of Trigonometric Numbers

Any natural number \longrightarrow Sum of 3 triangular numbers
expressed by

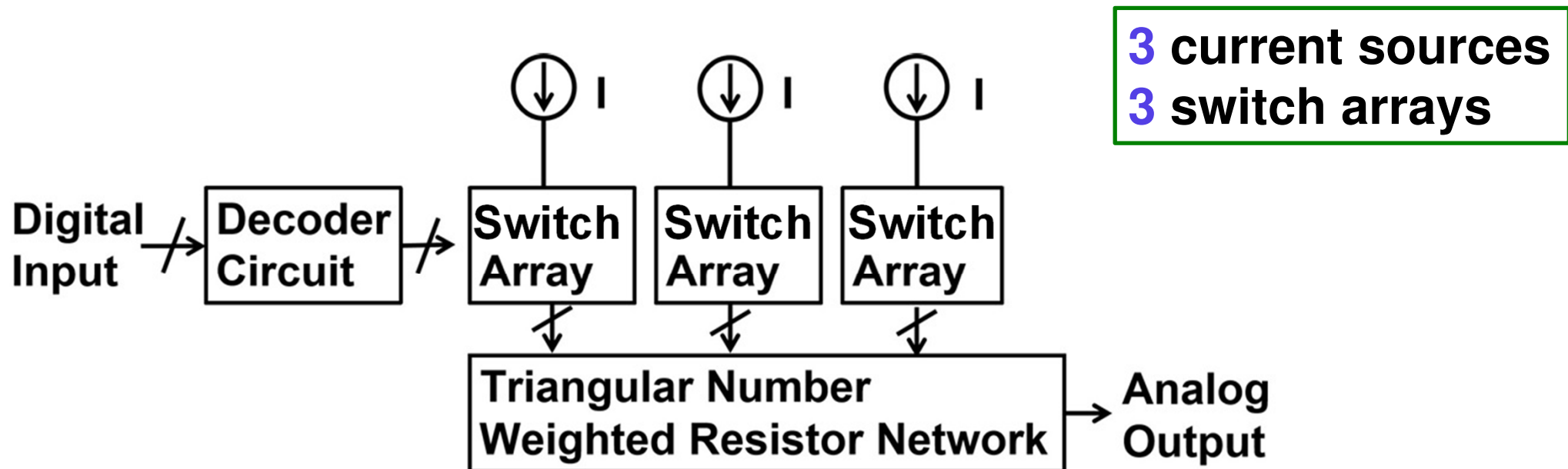
1:	1	16:	1+15	31:	3+28	46:	1+45
2:	1+1	17:	1+1+15	32:	1+3+28	47:	1+1+45
3:	3	18:	3+15	33:	6+6+21	48:	3+45
4:	1+3	19:	1+3+15	34:	6+28	49:	1+3+45
5:	1+1+3	20:	10+10	35:	1+6+28	50:	1+21+28
6:	6	21:	21	36:	36	51:	15+36
7:	1+6	22:	1+21	37:	1+36	52:	1+6+45
8:	1+1+6	23:	1+1+21	38:	1+1+36	53:	10+15+28
9:	3+6	24:	3+21	39:	3+36	54:	3+6+45
10:	10	25:	1+3+21	40:	1+3+36	55:	55
11:	1+10	26:	1+10+15	41:	3+10+28	56:	1+55
12:	1+1+10	27:	6+21	42:	6+36	57:	1+1+55
13:	3+10	28:	28	43:	1+6+36	58:	3+55
14:	1+3+10	29:	1+28	44:	6+10+28	59:	1+3+55
15:	15	30:	1+1+28	45:	45	60:	15+45

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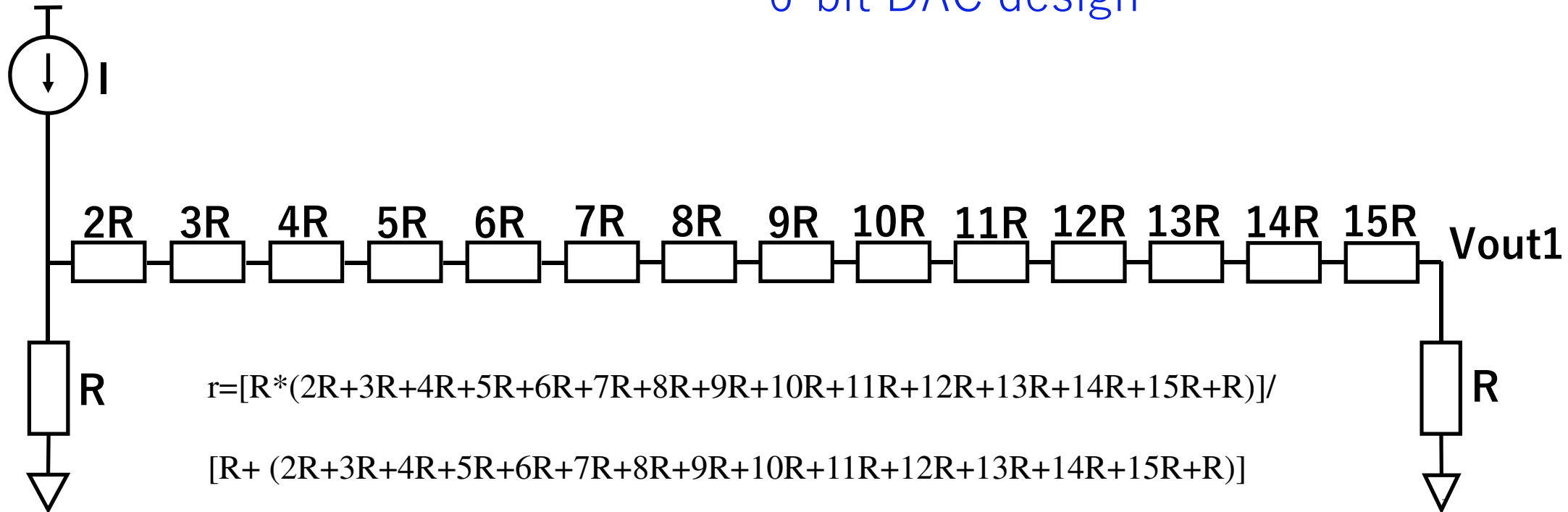
61: 6+55	76: 10+66	91: 91	106: 1+105	121: 1+120
62: 1+6+55	77: 1+10+66	92: 1+91	107: 1+1+105	122: 1+1+120
63: 3+15+45	78: 78	93: 1+1+91	108: 3+105	123: 3+120
64: 3+6+55	79: 1+78	94: 3+91	109: 1+3+105	124: 1+3+120
65: 10+55	80: 1+1+78	95: 1+3+91	110: 55+55	125: 10+10+105
66: 66	81: 3+78	96: 3+15+78	111: 6+105	126: 6+120
67: 1+66	82: 1+3+78	97: 6+91	112: 1+6+105	127: 1+6+120
68: 1+1+66	83: 28+55	98: 1+6+91	113: 1+21+91	
69: 3+66	84: 6+78	99: 21+78	114: 3+6+105	
70: 1+3+66	85: 1+6+78	100: 3+6+91	115: 10+105	
71: 6+10+55	86: 10+10+66	101: 10+91	116: 1+10+105	
72: 6+66	87: 3+6+78	102: 1+10+91	117: 6+6+105	
73: 1+6+66	88: 10+78	103: 6+6+91	118: 3+10+105	
74: 1+28+45	89: 1+10+78	104: 3+10+91	119: 28+91	
75: 3+6+66	90: 6+6+78	105: 105	120: 120	

Proposed Triangular Number DAC



Triangular Number DAC **Input 1**

6-bit DAC design



$$r = [R * (2R + 3R + 4R + 5R + 6R + 7R + 8R + 9R + 10R + 11R + 12R + 13R + 14R + 15R + R)] /$$

$$[R + (2R + 3R + 4R + 5R + 6R + 7R + 8R + 9R + 10R + 11R + 12R + 13R + 14R + 15R + R)]$$

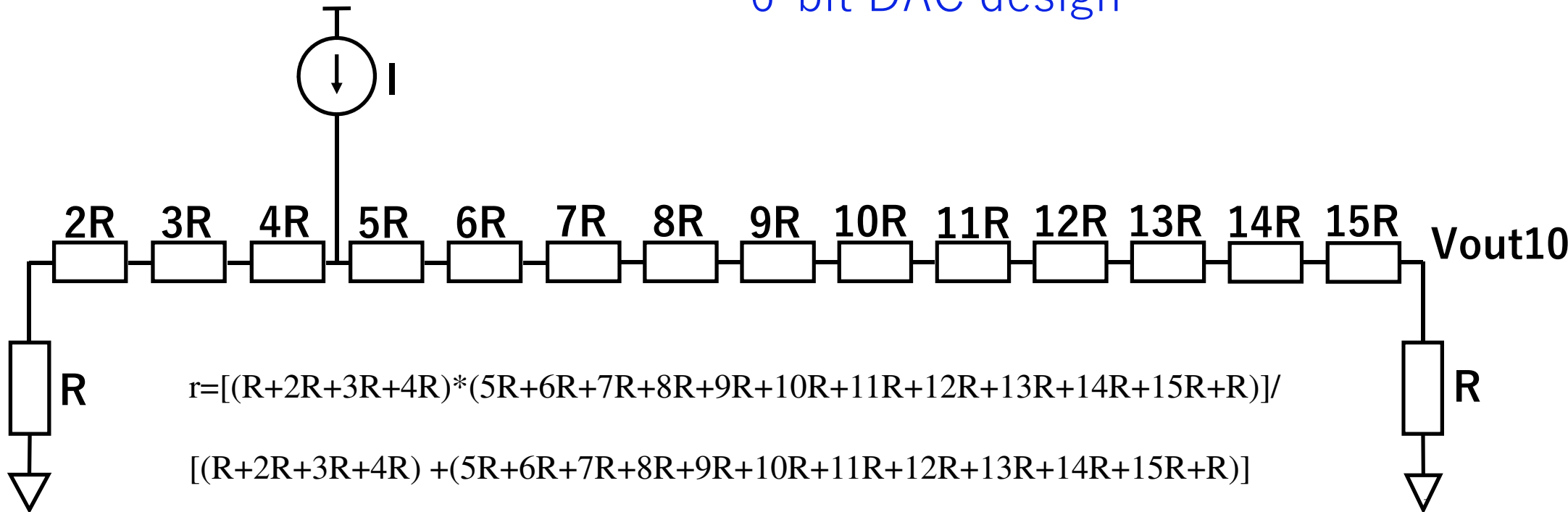
$$V = I * r$$

$$V_{out1} / V = R / (2R + 3R + 4R + 5R + 6R + 7R + 8R + 9R + 10R + 11R + 12R + 13R + 14R + 15R + R)$$

$$V_{out1} = I * R / 121$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 10**

6-bit DAC design



$$r = \frac{[(R+2R+3R+4R) \cdot (5R+6R+7R+8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}{[(R+2R+3R+4R) + (5R+6R+7R+8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}$$

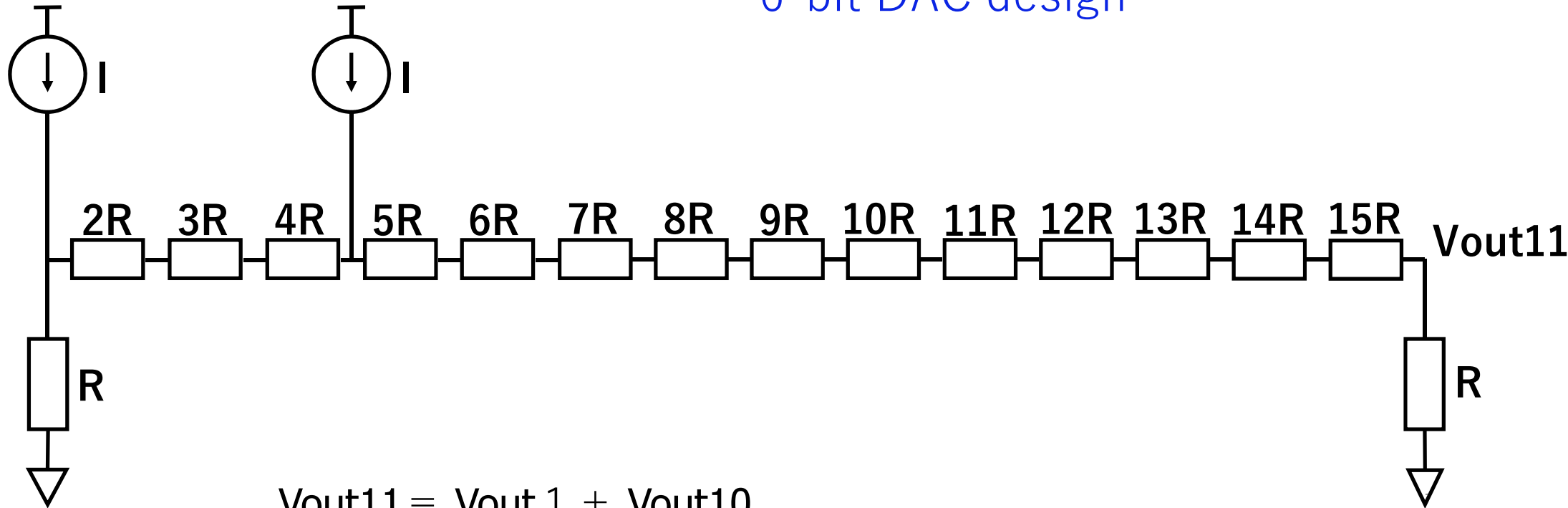
$$V = I \cdot r$$

$$V_{out10}/V = R / (5R+6R+7R+8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)$$

$$V_{out10} = 10I \cdot R / 121$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 11**

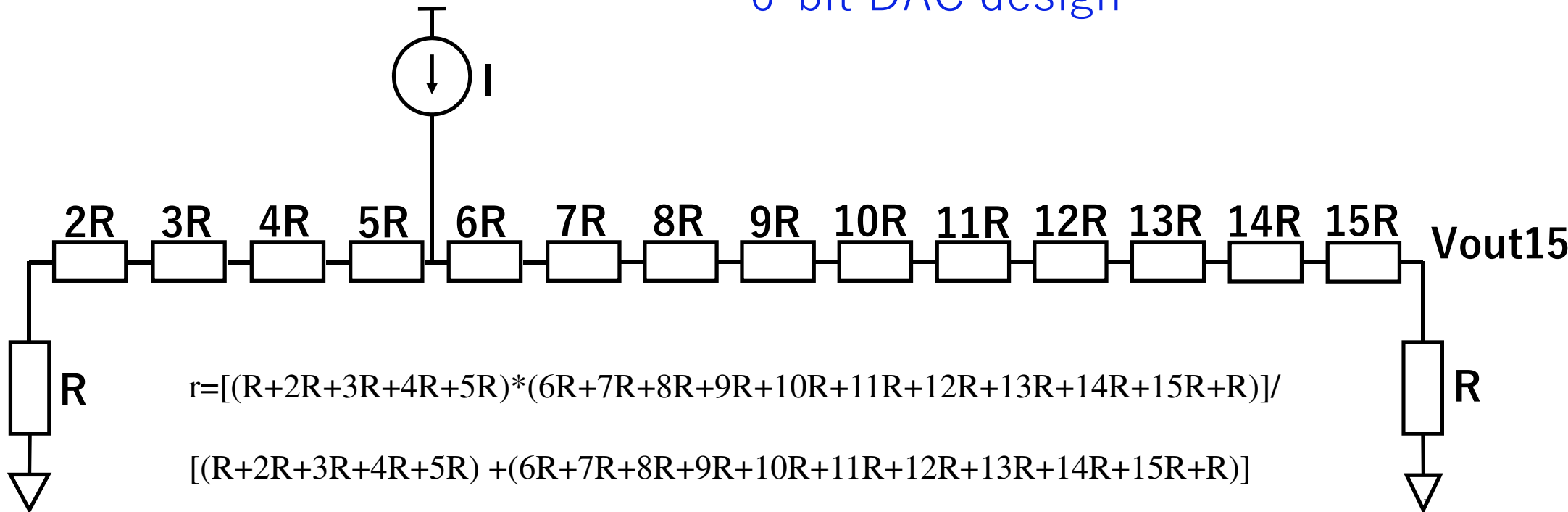
6-bit DAC design



$$\begin{aligned} V_{out11} &= V_{out1} + V_{out10} \\ &= I \cdot R / 121 + 10I \cdot R / 121 \\ &= \mathbf{11I \cdot R / 121} \end{aligned}$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 15**

6-bit DAC design



$$r = \frac{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R) * (6R+7R+8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R) + (6R+7R+8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}$$

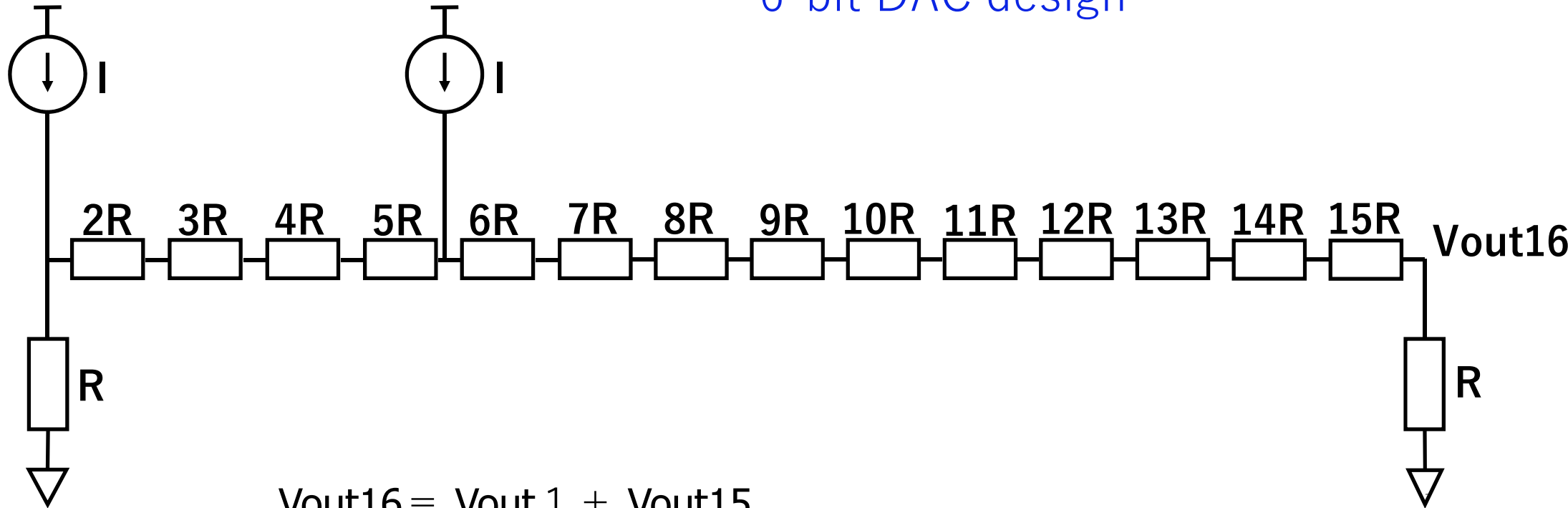
$$V = I * r$$

$$V_{out15} / V = R / (6R + 7R + 8R + 9R + 10R + 11R + 12R + 13R + 14R + 15R + R)$$

$$V_{out15} = 15I * R / 121$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 16**

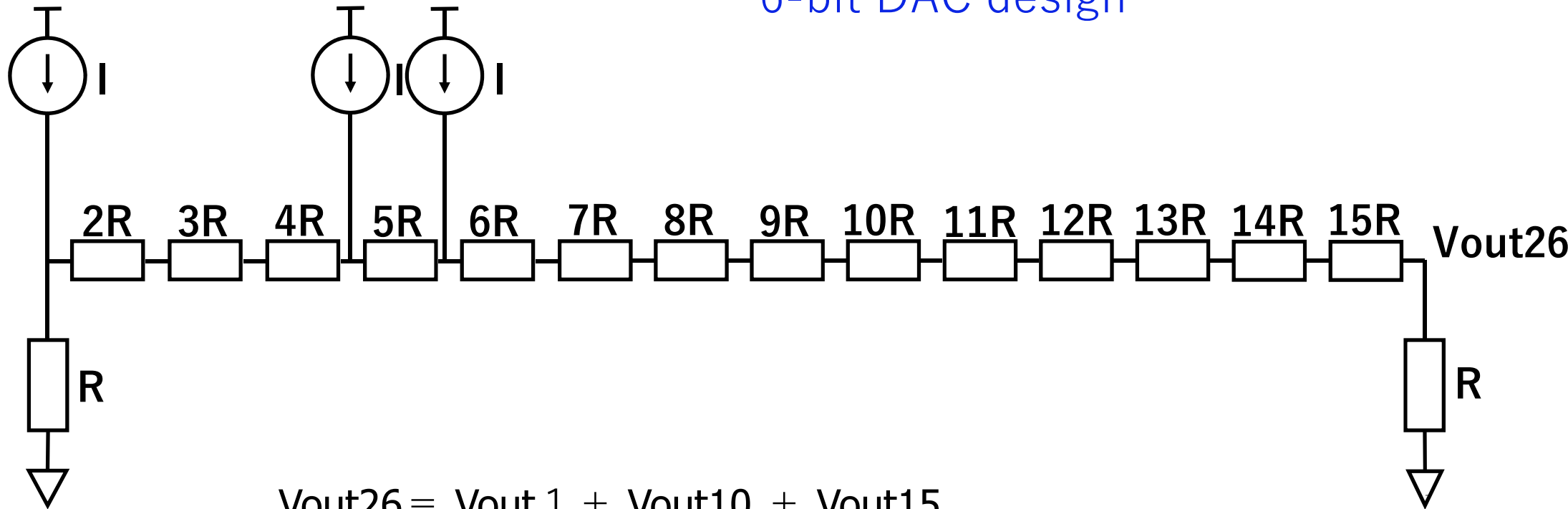
6-bit DAC design



$$\begin{aligned} V_{out16} &= V_{out1} + V_{out15} \\ &= I \cdot R / 121 + 15I \cdot R / 121 \\ &= \mathbf{16I \cdot R / 121} \end{aligned}$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 26**

6-bit DAC design



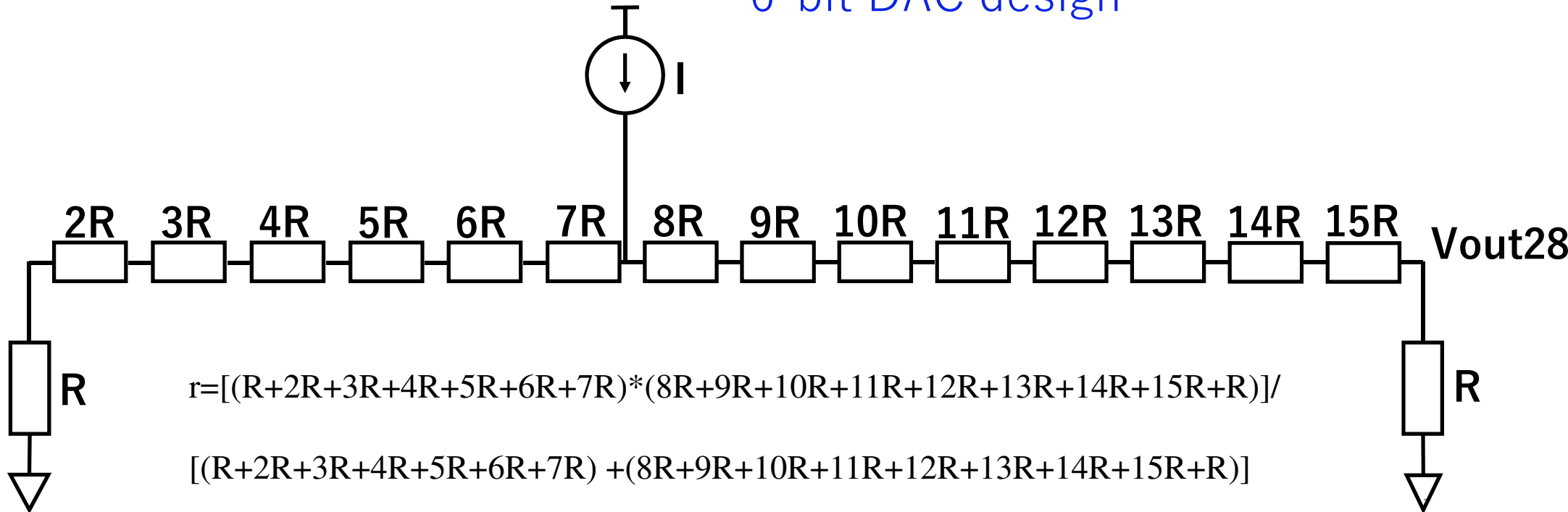
$$V_{out26} = V_{out1} + V_{out10} + V_{out15}$$

$$= I \cdot R / 121 + 10I \cdot R / 121 + 15I \cdot R / 121$$

$$= \mathbf{26I \cdot R / 121}$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 28**

6-bit DAC design



$$r = \frac{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R+6R+7R) * (8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R+6R+7R) + (8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}$$

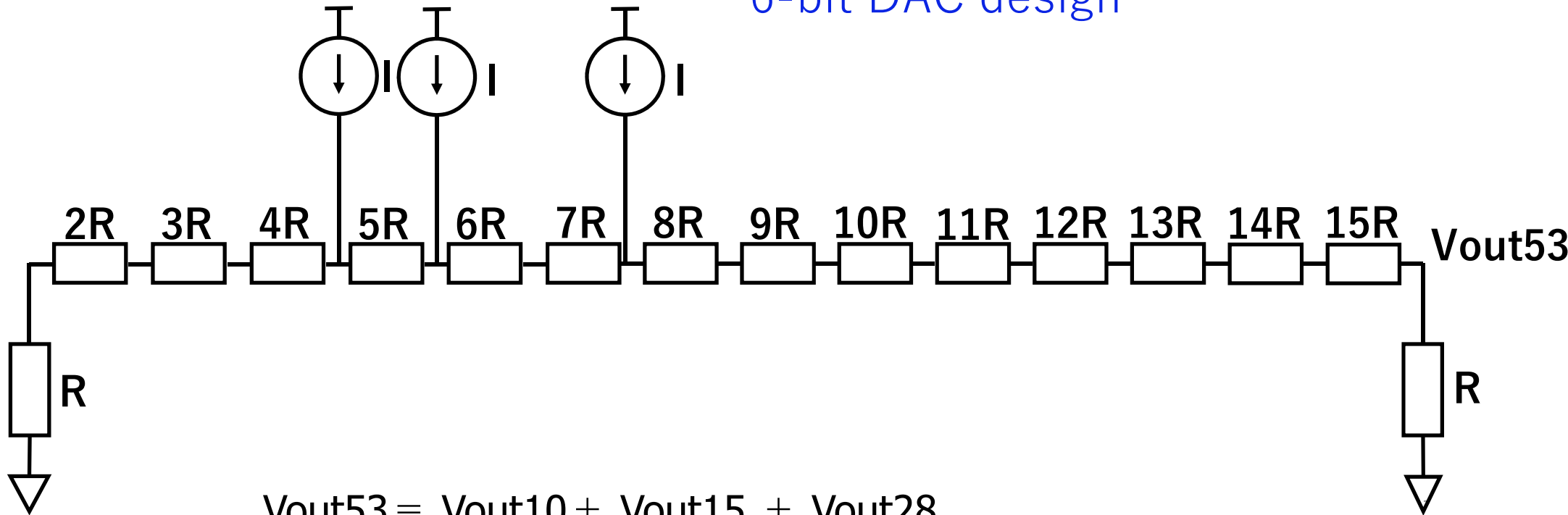
$$V = I * r$$

$$V_{out28}/V = R / (8R+9R+10R+11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)$$

$$V_{out28} = 28I * R / 121$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 53**

6-bit DAC design



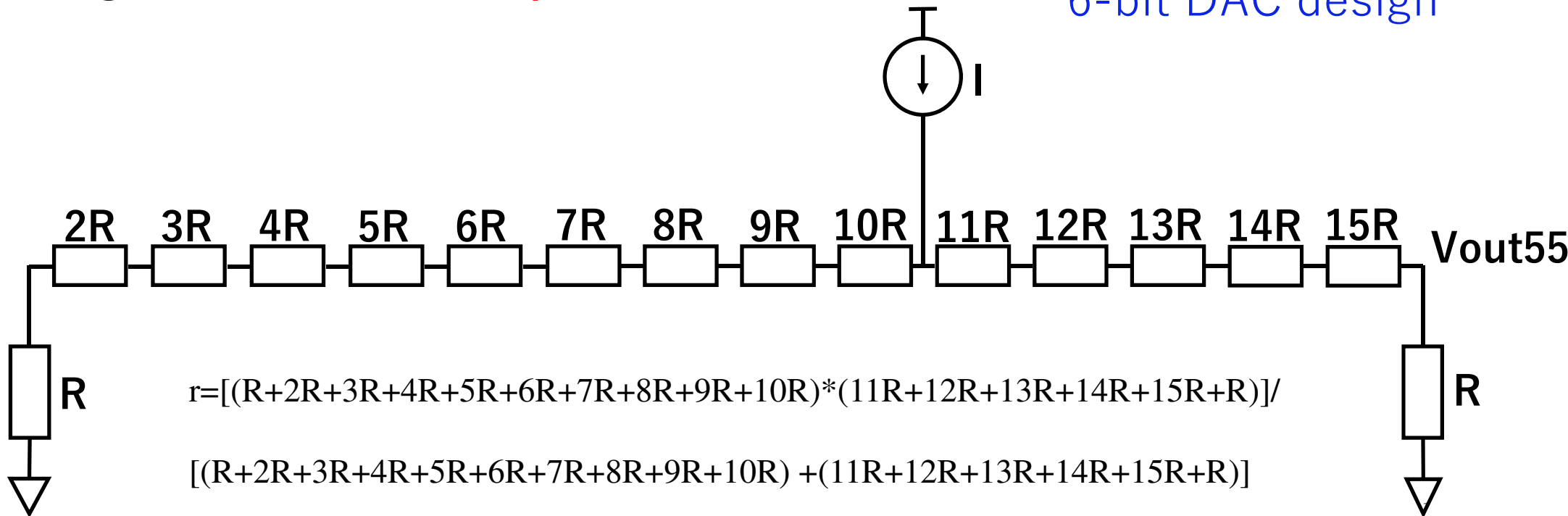
$$V_{out53} = V_{out10} + V_{out15} + V_{out28}$$

$$= 10I \cdot R / 121 + 15I \cdot R / 121 + 28I \cdot R / 121$$

$$= \mathbf{53I \cdot R / 121}$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 55**

6-bit DAC design



$$r = \frac{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R+6R+7R+8R+9R+10R) * (11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}{[(R+2R+3R+4R+5R+6R+7R+8R+9R+10R) + (11R+12R+13R+14R+15R+R)]}$$

$$V = I * r$$

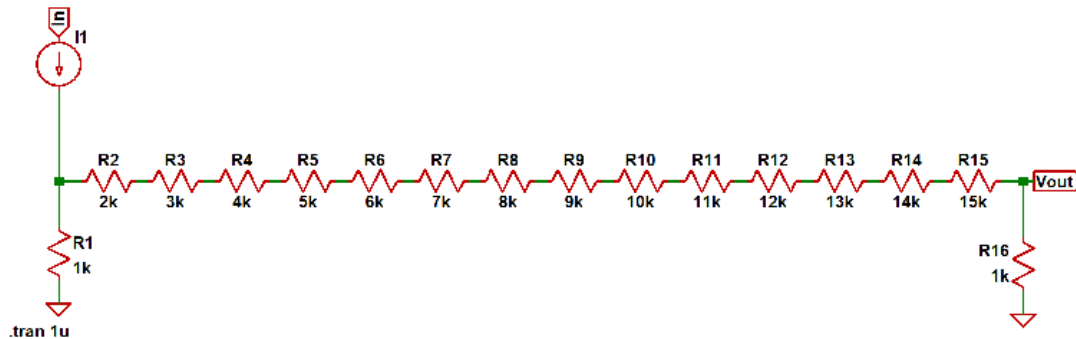
$$V_{out55} / V = R / (11R + 12R + 13R + 14R + 15R + R)$$

$$V_{out55} = 55I * R / 121$$

Triangular Number DAC **Input 1**

PULSE(0 100u 100n 0.1p 0.1p 100n 1 1)

6-bit DAC simulation

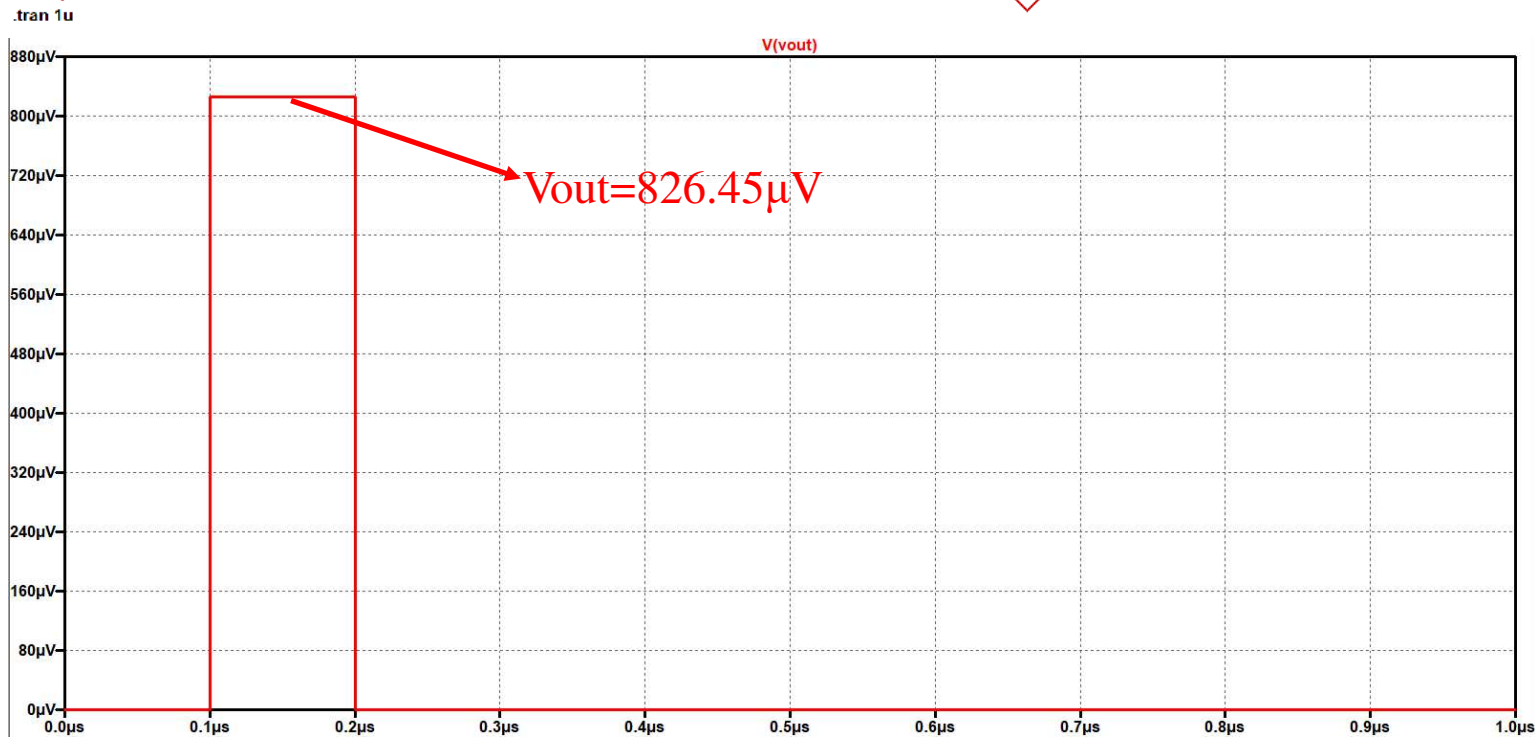


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = I \cdot R / 121 = 826.45 \mu\text{V}$$

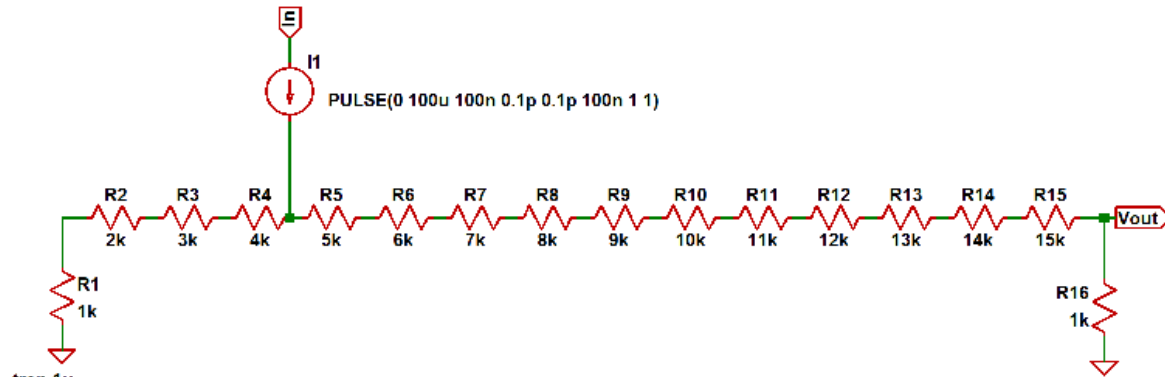
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 826.45 \mu\text{V}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 10**

6-bit DAC simulation

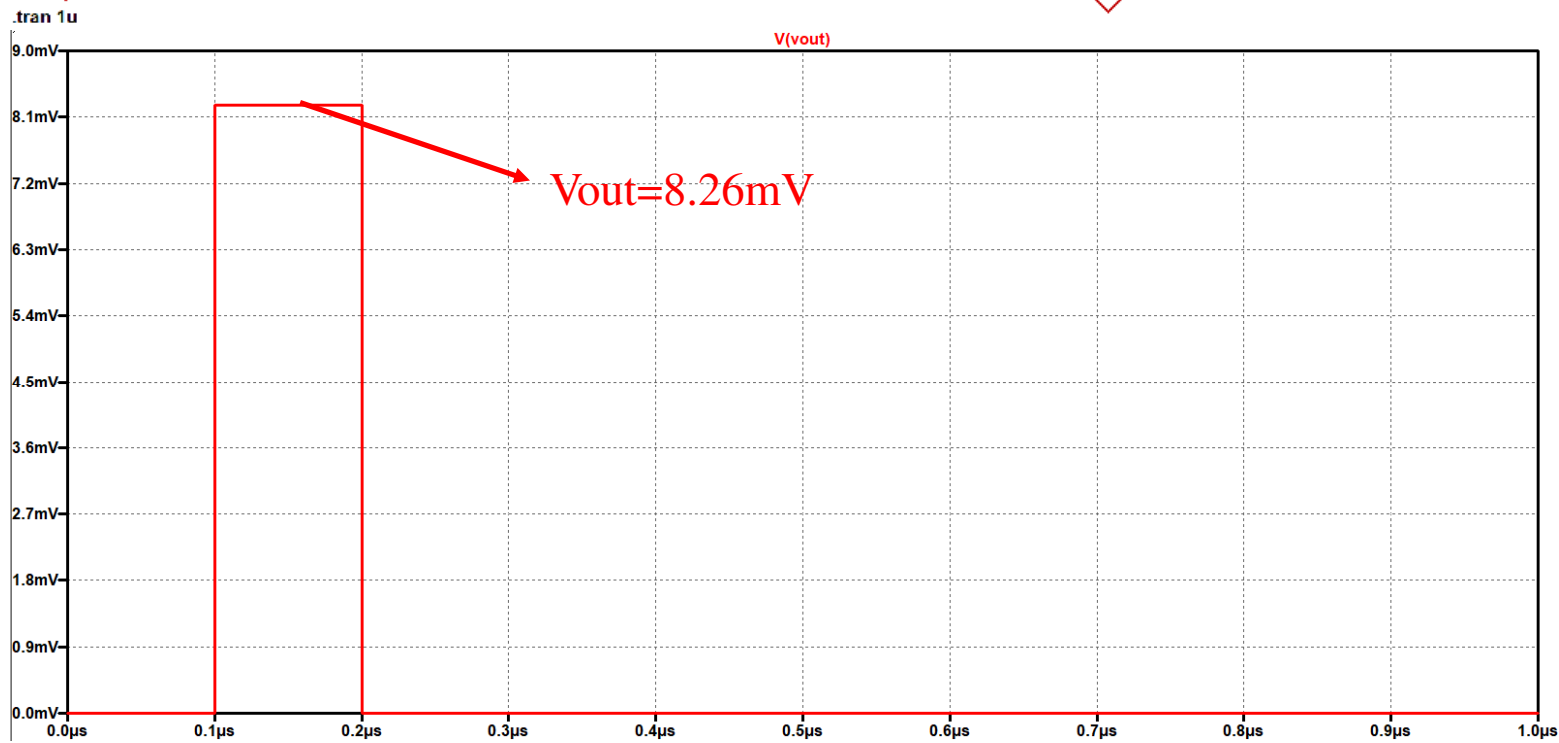


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 10I \cdot R / 121 = 8.26\text{mV}$$

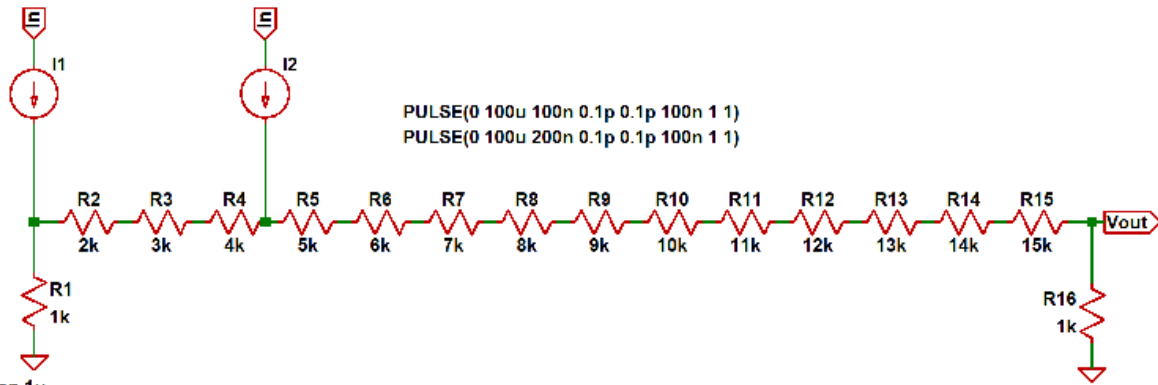
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 8.26\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 11**

6-bit DAC simulation

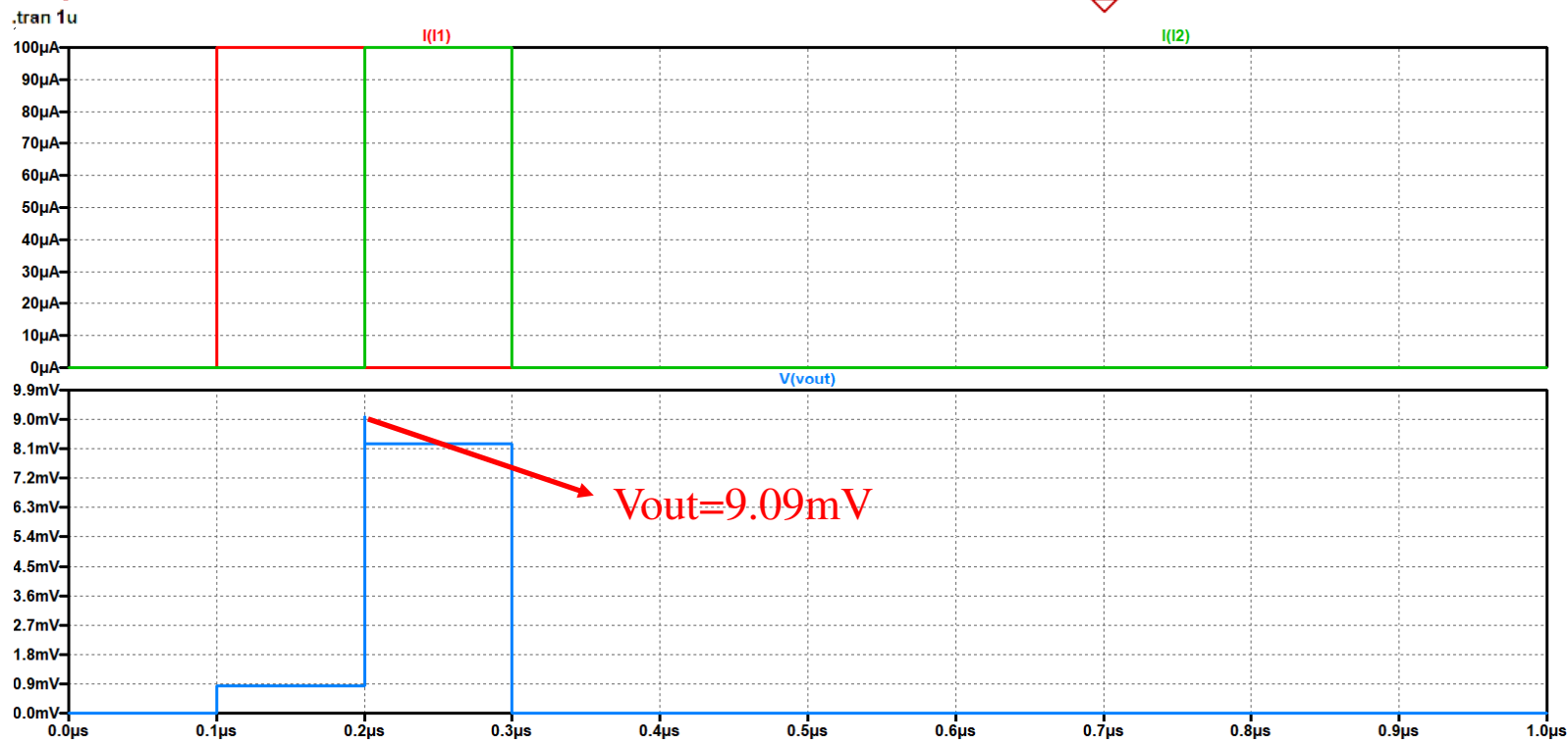


Theoretical Value

$V_{out} = 11I \cdot R / 121 = 9.09\text{mV}$

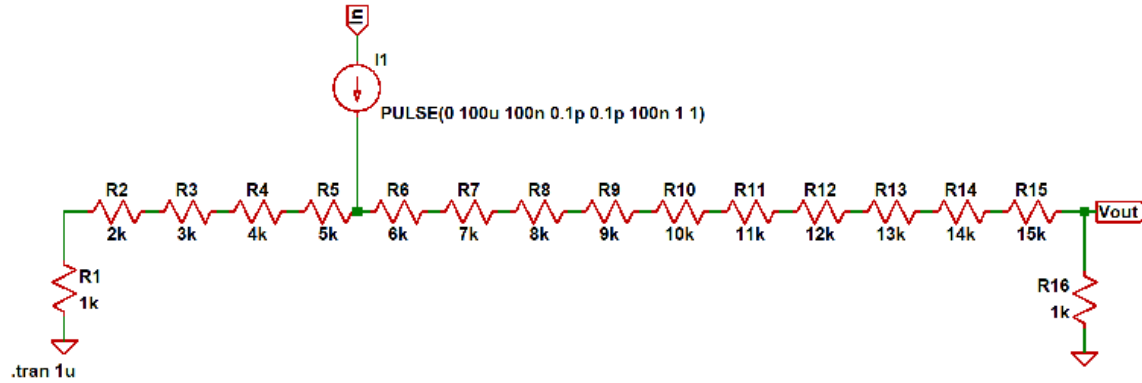
Simulation Value

$V_{out} = 9.09\text{mV}$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 15**

6-bit DAC simulation

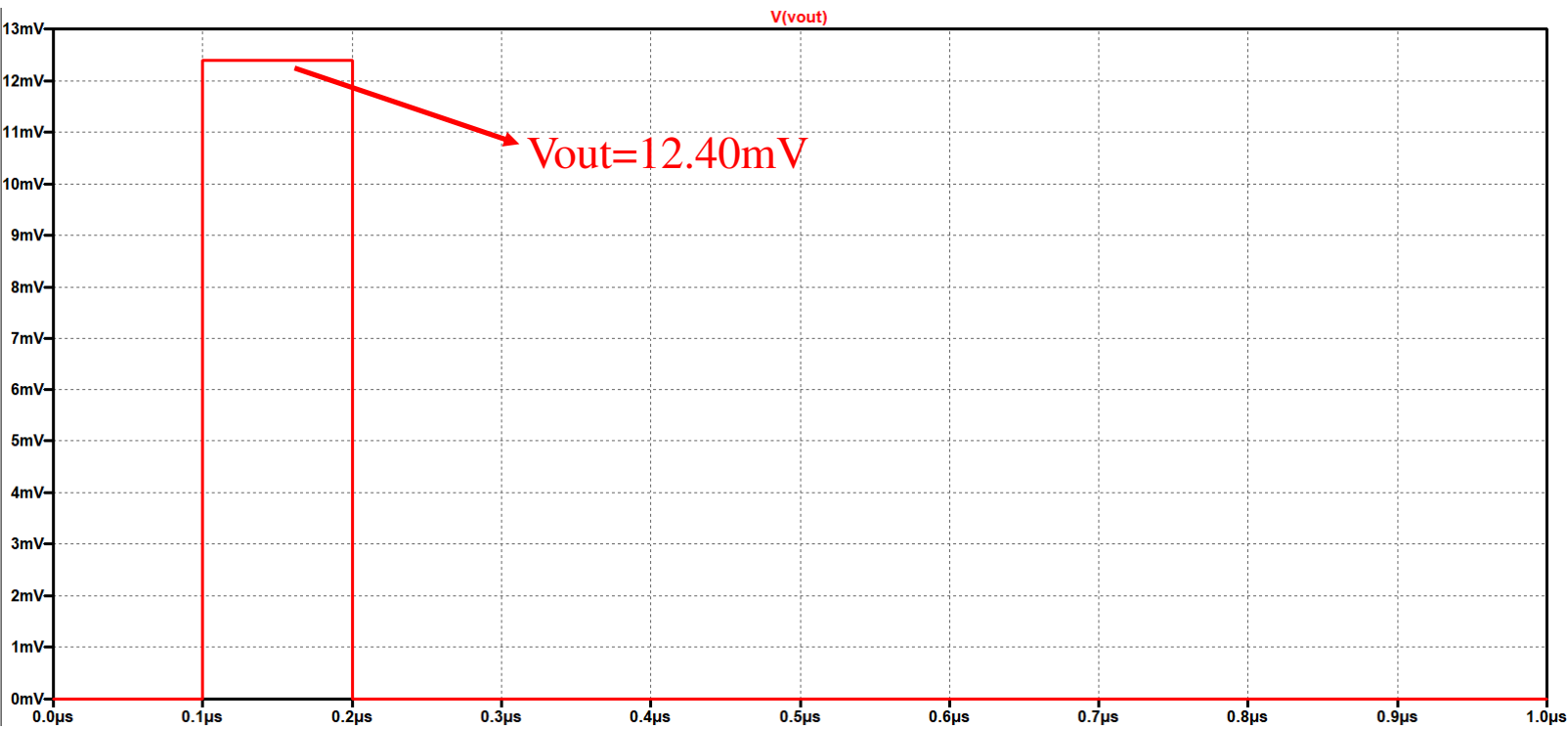


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 15I \cdot R / 121 = 12.40\text{mV}$$

Simulation Value

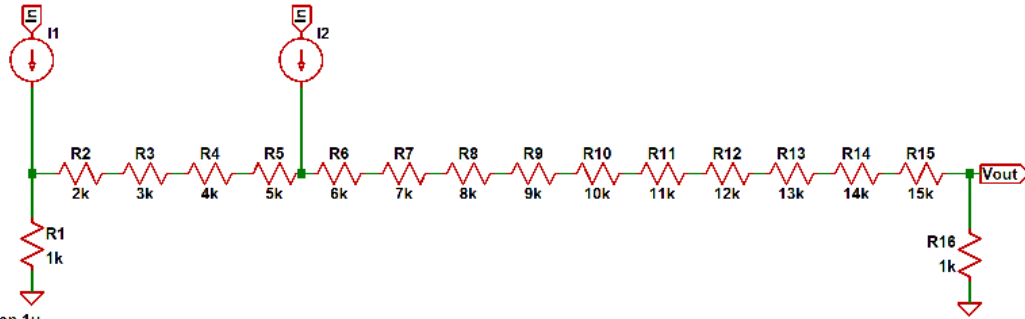
$$V_{out} = 12.40\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 16**

PULSE(0 100u 100n 0.1p 0.1p 100n 1 1)
PULSE(0 100u 200n 0.1p 0.1p 100n 1 1)

6-bit DAC simulation

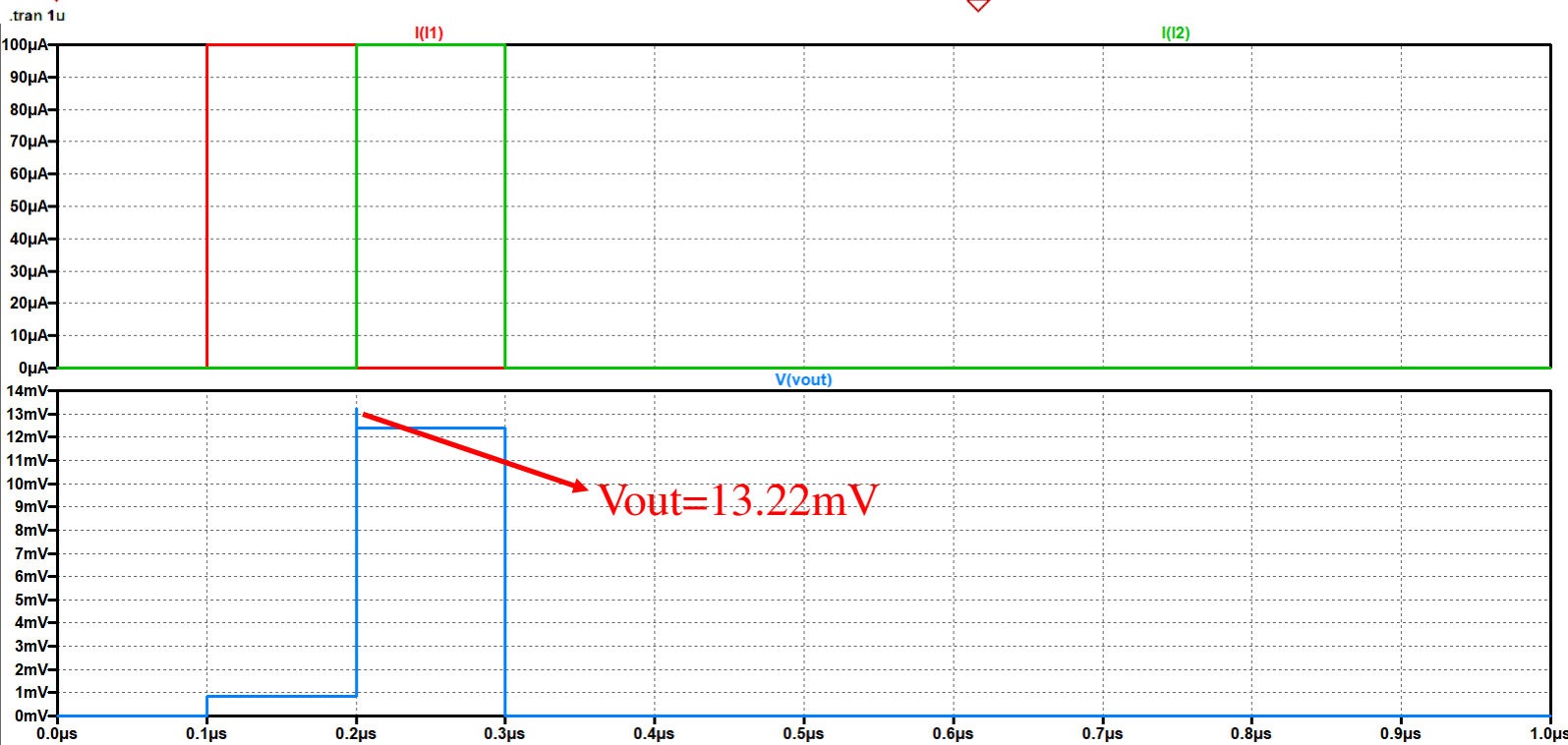


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 16I \cdot R / 121 = 13.22\text{mV}$$

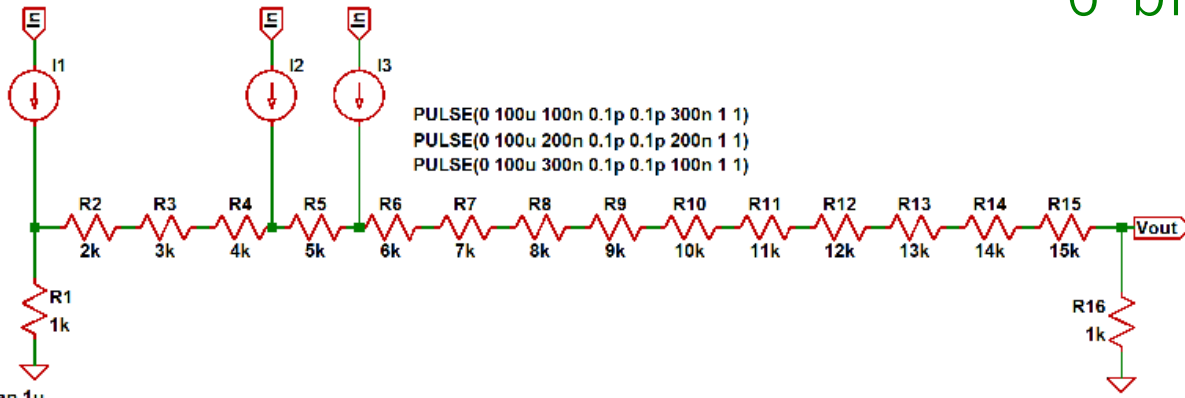
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 13.22\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 26**

6-bit DAC simulation

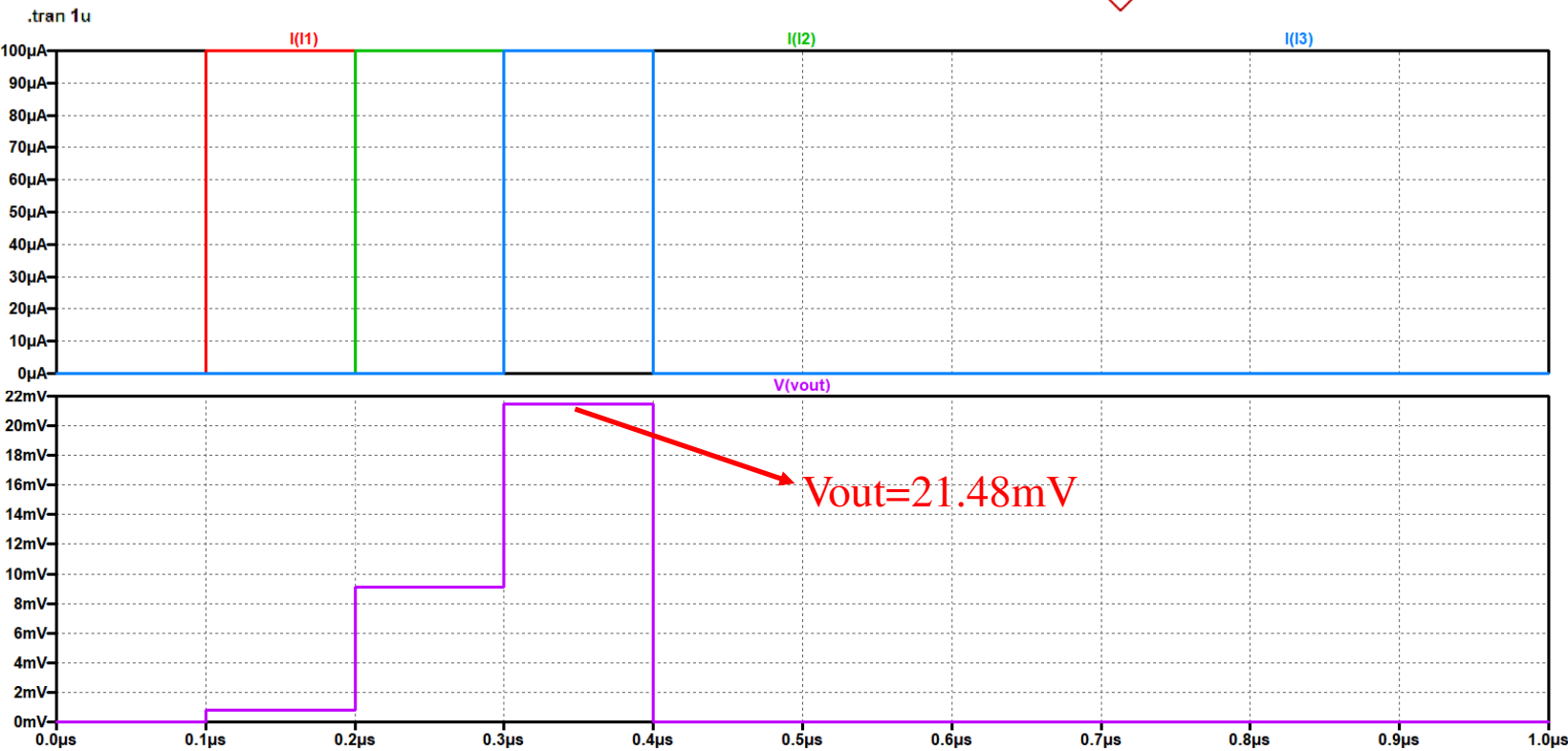


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 26I \cdot R / 121 = 21.48\text{mV}$$

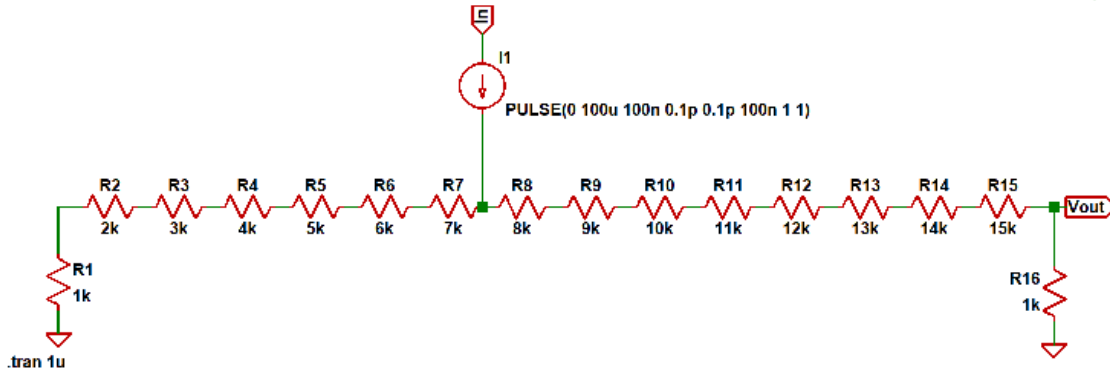
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 21.48\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 28**

6-bit DAC simulation

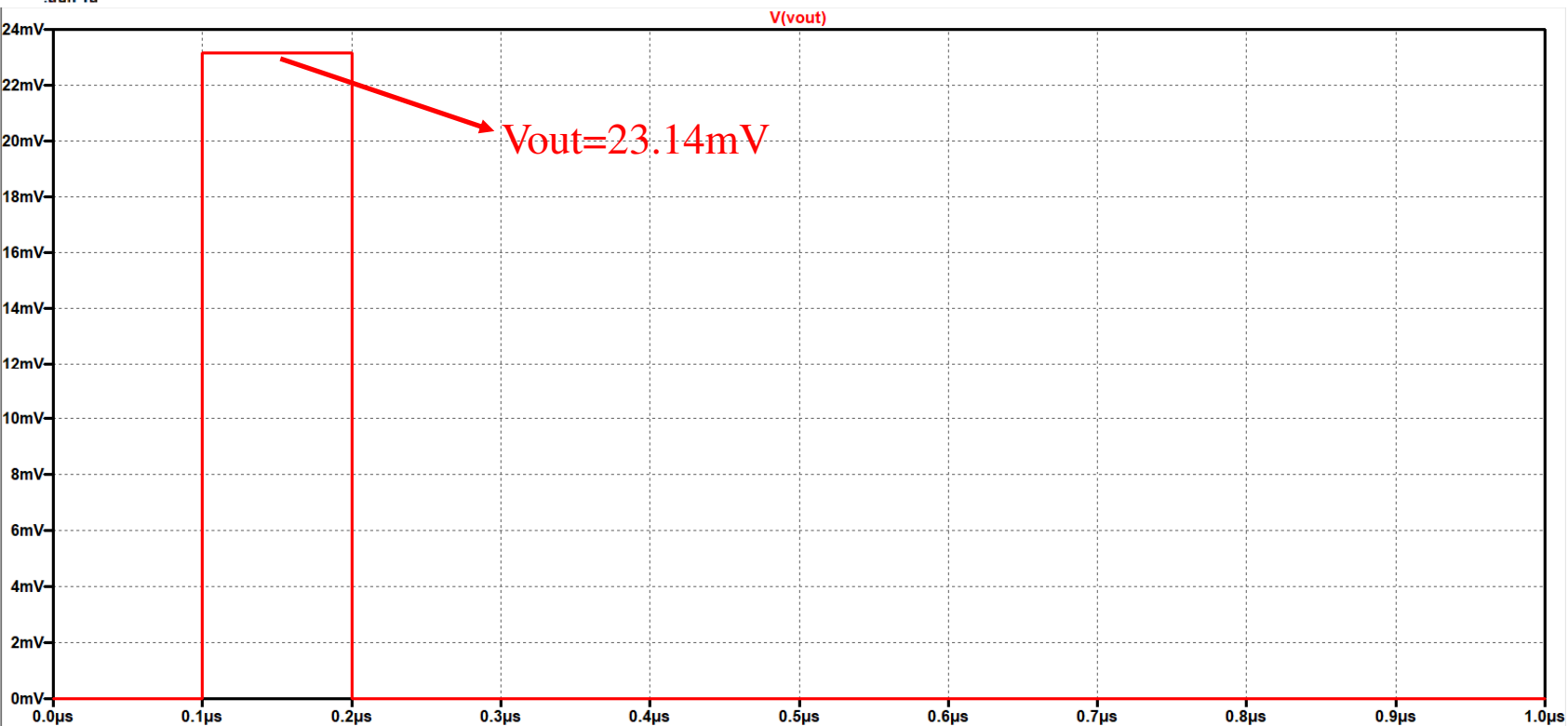


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 28I \cdot R / 121 = 23.14\text{mV}$$

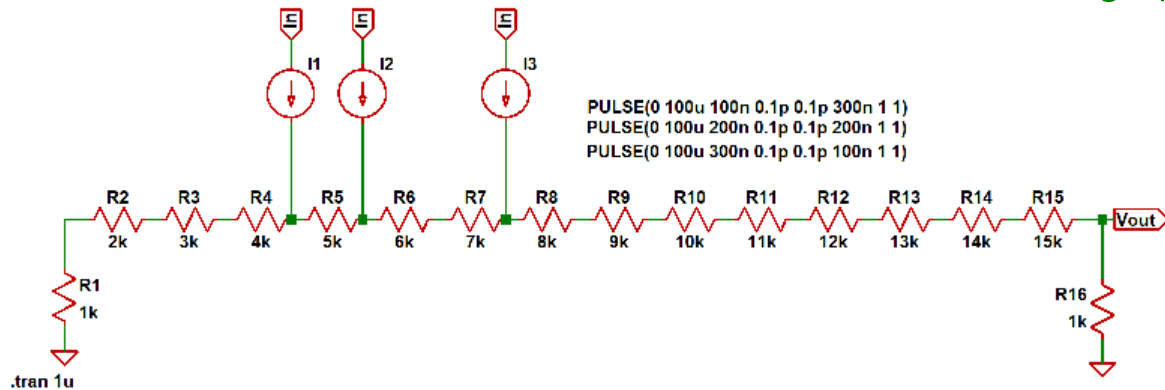
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 23.14\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 53**

6-bit DAC simulation

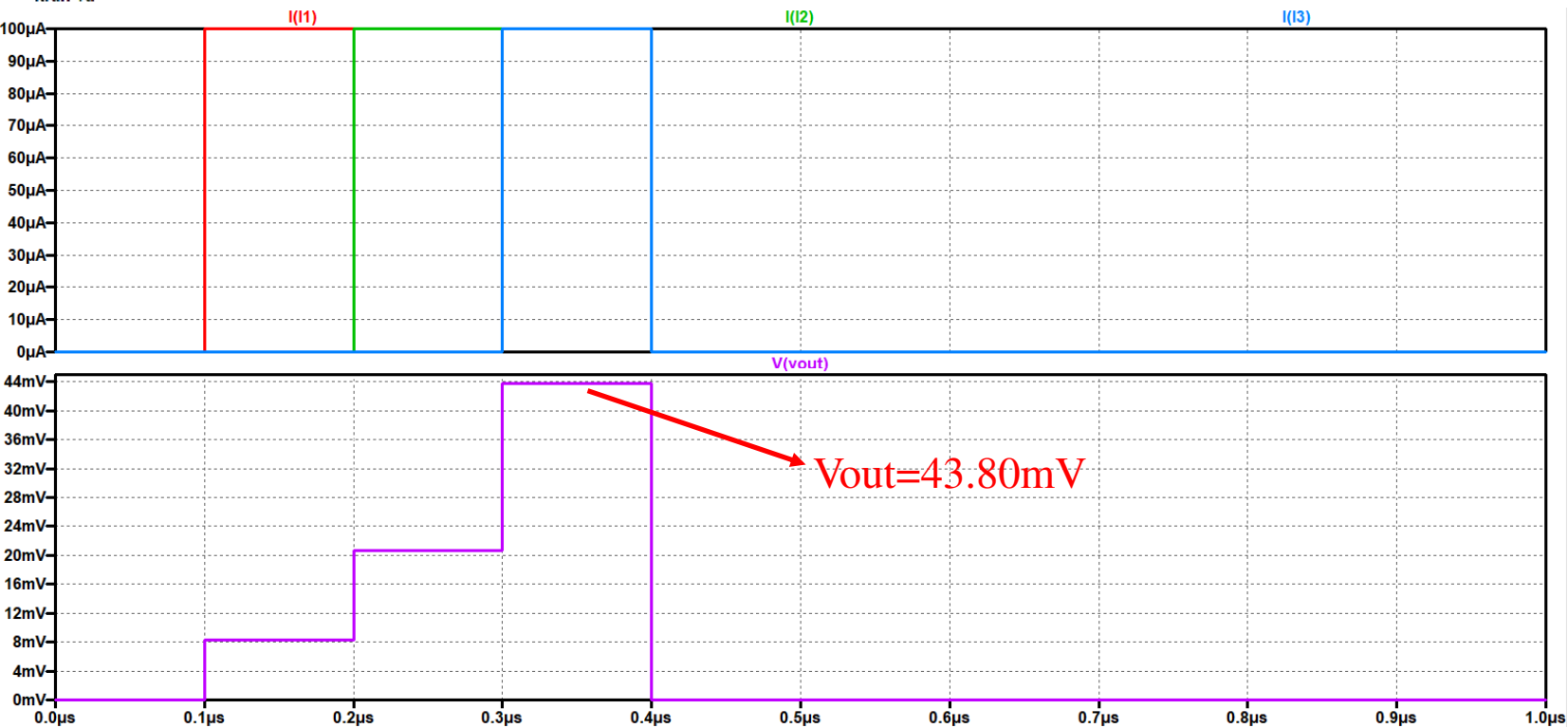


Theoretical Value

$$V_{out} = 53I \cdot R / 121 = 43.80\text{mV}$$

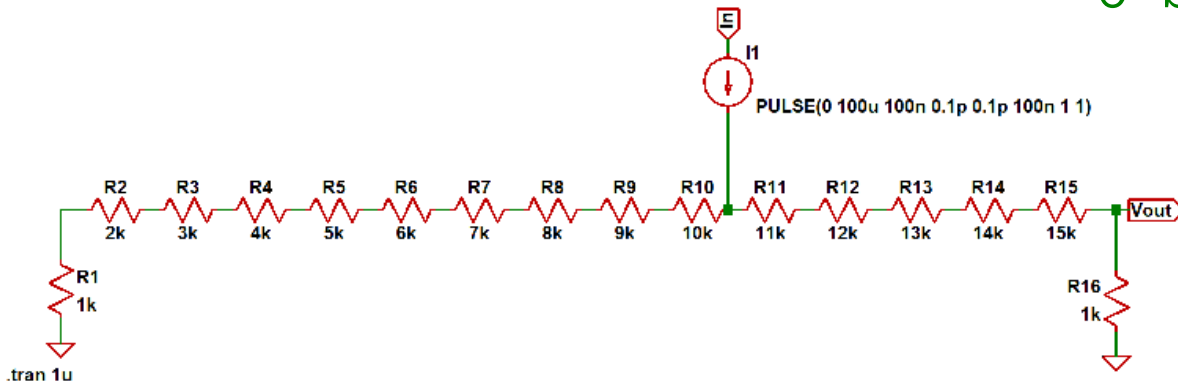
Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 43.80\text{mV}$$



Triangular Number DAC **Input 55**

6-bit DAC simulation

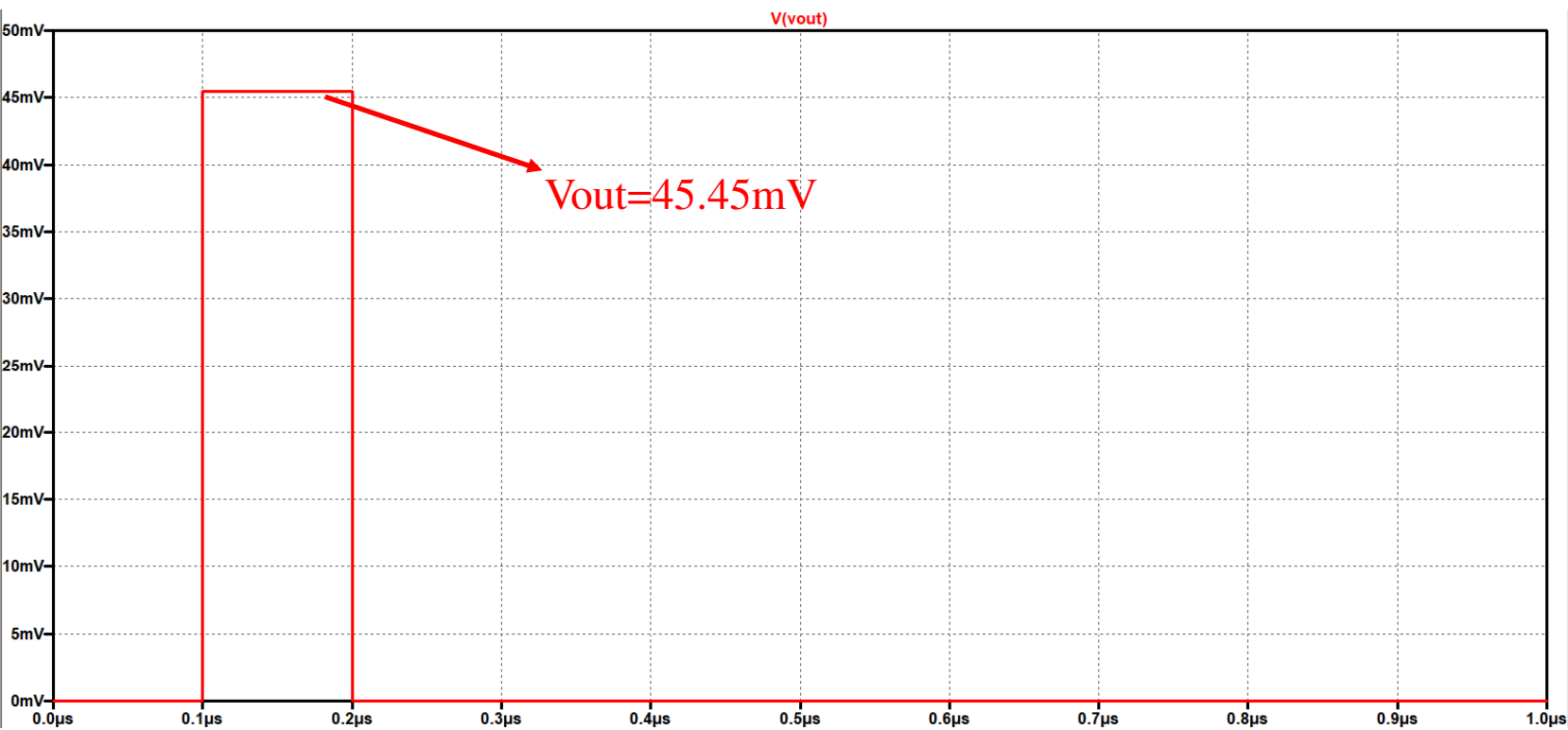


Theoretical Value

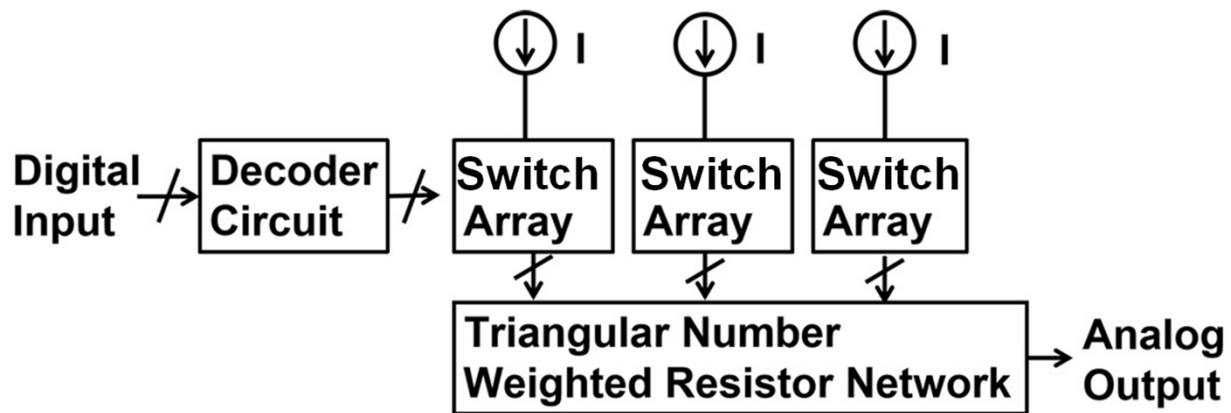
$$V_{out} = 55I \cdot R / 121 = 45.45\text{mV}$$

Simulation Value

$$V_{out} = 45.45\text{mV}$$



Summary



Triangular number DAC

- 3 current sources
- 3 switch arrays

6-bit DAC design

Square Numbers DAC Results

Input	1	4	9	16
Theoretical Value	$V_{out} = I \cdot R / 79$ =1.27mV	$V_{out} = 6I \cdot R / 79$ =7.59mV	$V_{out} = 10I \cdot R / 79$ =12.6mV	$V_{out} = 15I \cdot R / 79$ =19.00mV
Simulation Value	Vout=1.27mV	Vout=7.59mV	Vout=12.6mV	Vout=19.00mV

Input	24	81	94	97
Theoretical Value	$V_{out} = I \cdot R / 79$ =34.18mV	$V_{out} = 55I \cdot R / 79$ =69.62mV	$V_{out} = 71I \cdot R / 79$ =89.87mV	$V_{out} = 70I \cdot R / 79$ =88.61mV
Simulation Value	Vout=34.18mV	Vout=69.62mV	Vout=89.87mV	Vout=88.61mV

Conclusion

- **Completely new DAC architectures based on number theory**
- **Design of 6-bit DAC based on triangular number theory**
 - ➔ **Verified by SPICE simulation**
- **Next, decoder design**
- **Discussions on their pros and cons are left for the future work.**

Q&A

Q: Why and how do you combine DAC with the integer theory?

A: Because there is no link between the interesting properties of Integers and the Electronic circuit designs.

We completed new DAC architectures based on number theory. And designed of 6-bit DAC based on triangular number theory. Next, we will complete the decoder design.