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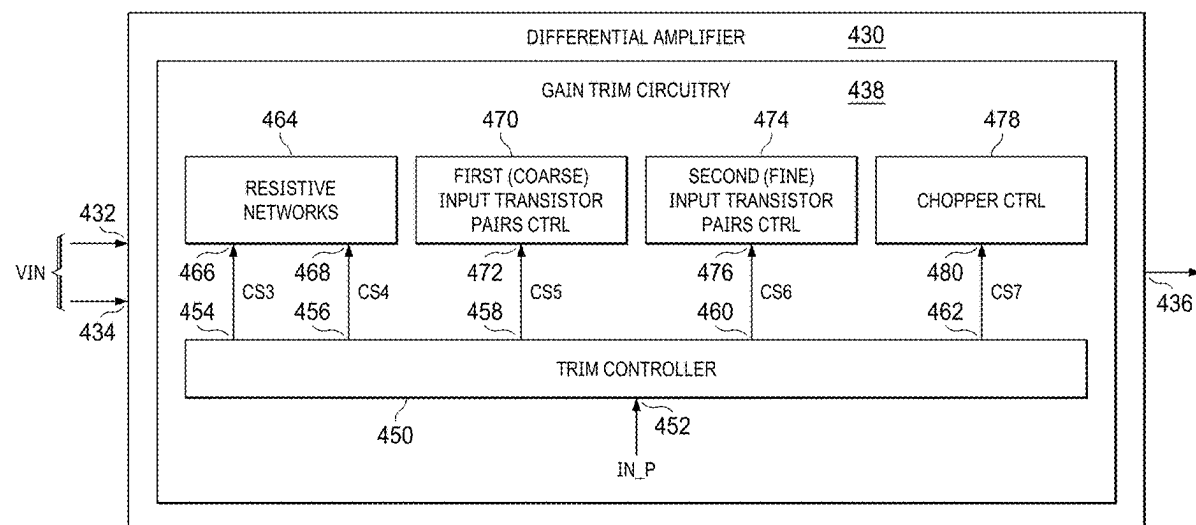
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An integrated circuit includes differential amplifier circuitry. The differential amplifier circuitry includes: first gain trim circuitry having a first gain trim input, the first gain trim circuitry including a first differential input transistor pair and a second differential input transistor pair; second gain trim circuitry having a second gain trim input, the second gain trim circuitry including a third differential input transistor pair and a fourth differential input transistor pair; and control logic having a first gain trim output and a second gain trim output. The first gain trim output is coupled to the first gain trim input. The second gain trim output is coupled to the second gain trim input.



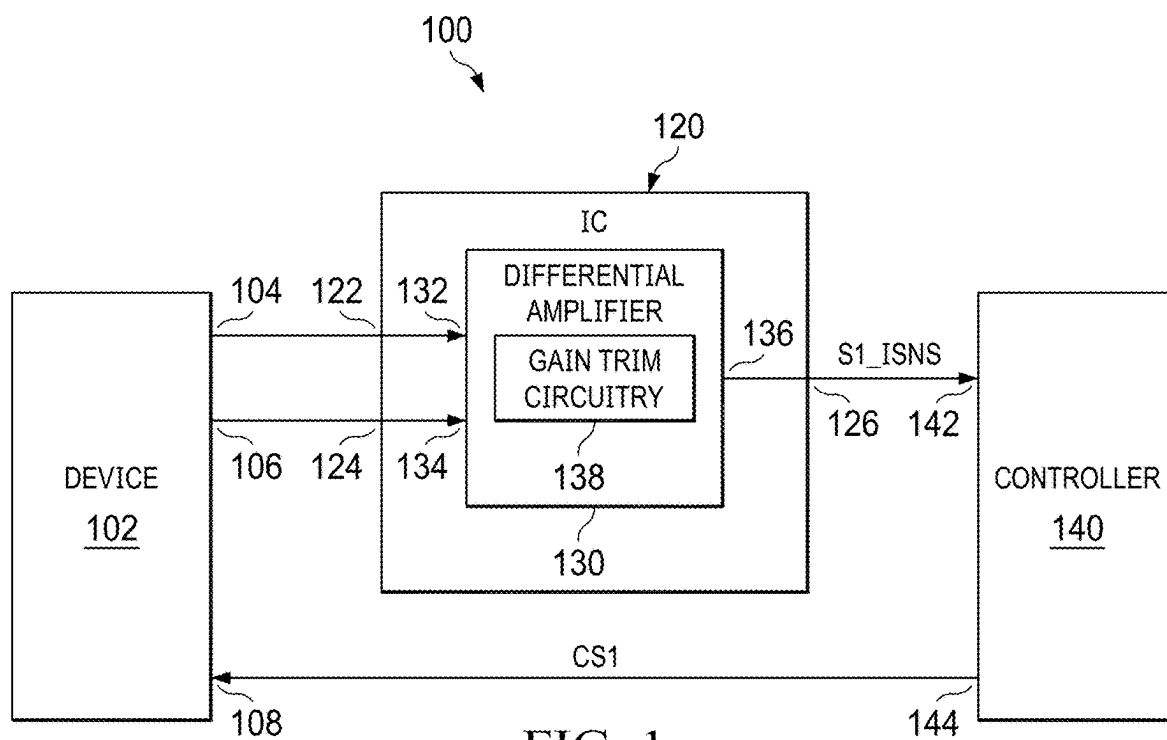
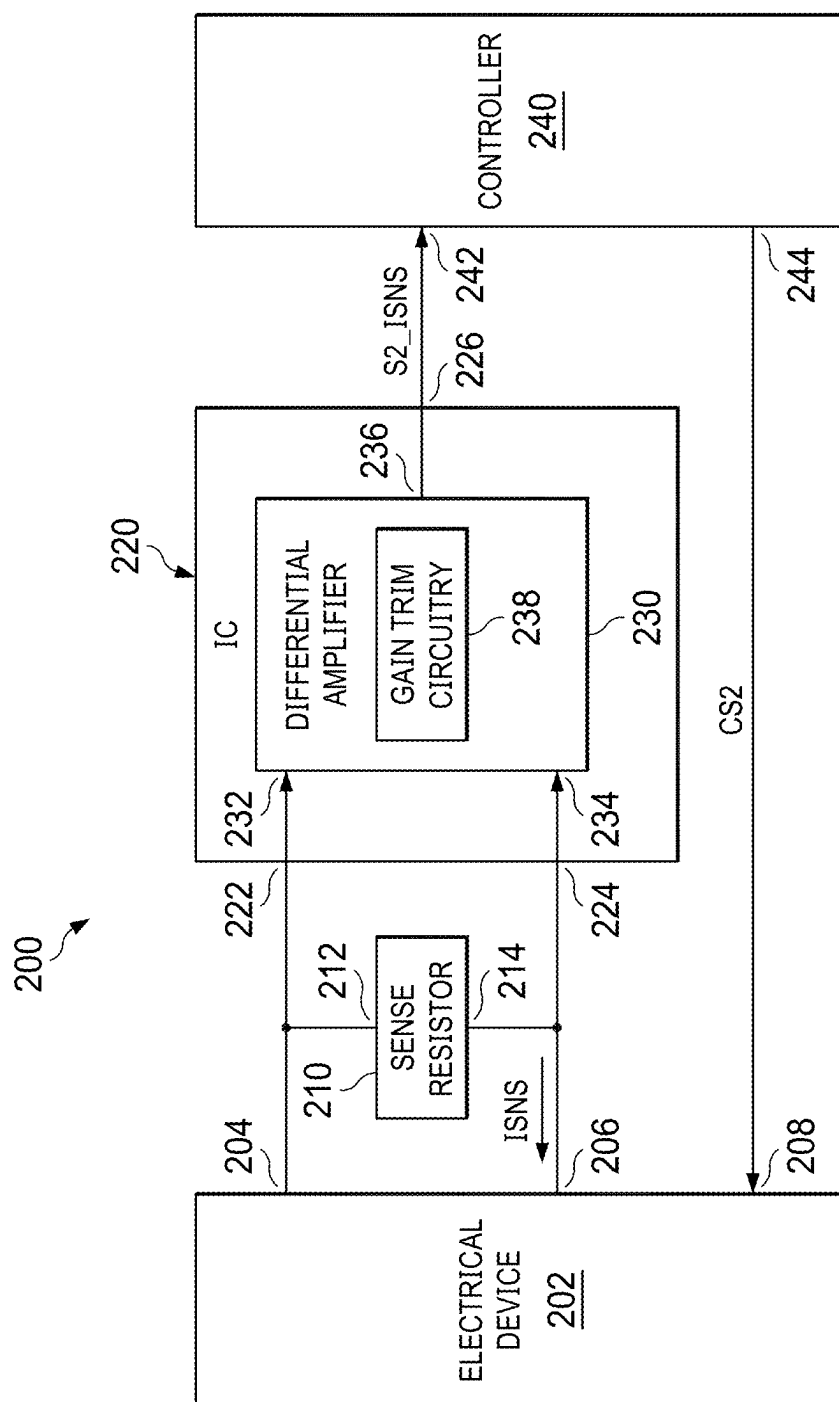


FIG. 1



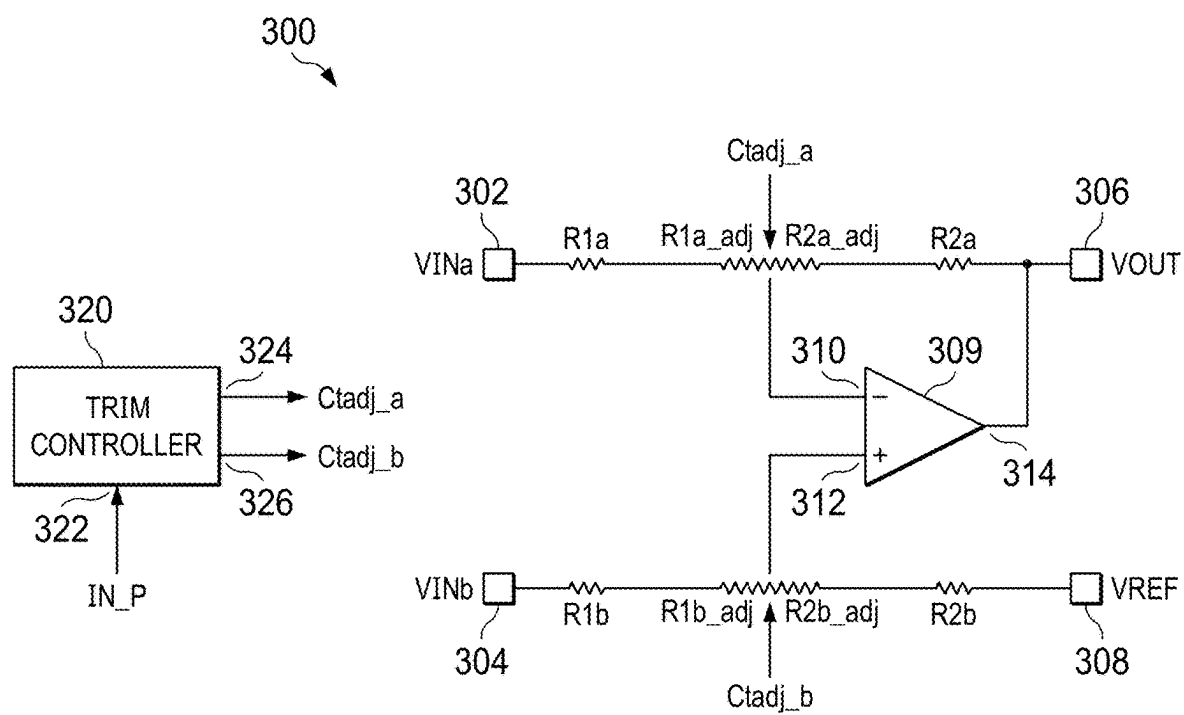


FIG. 3A

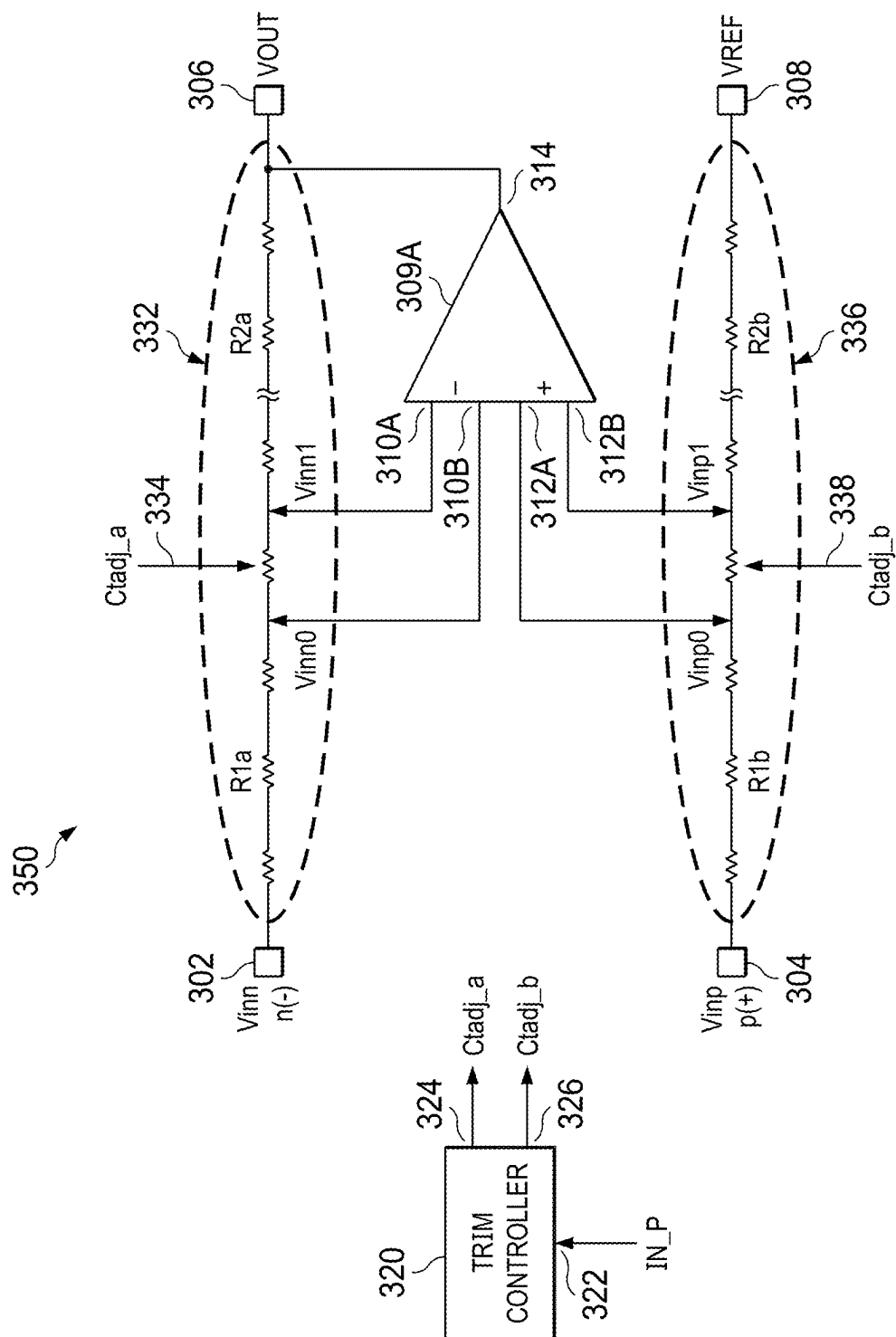


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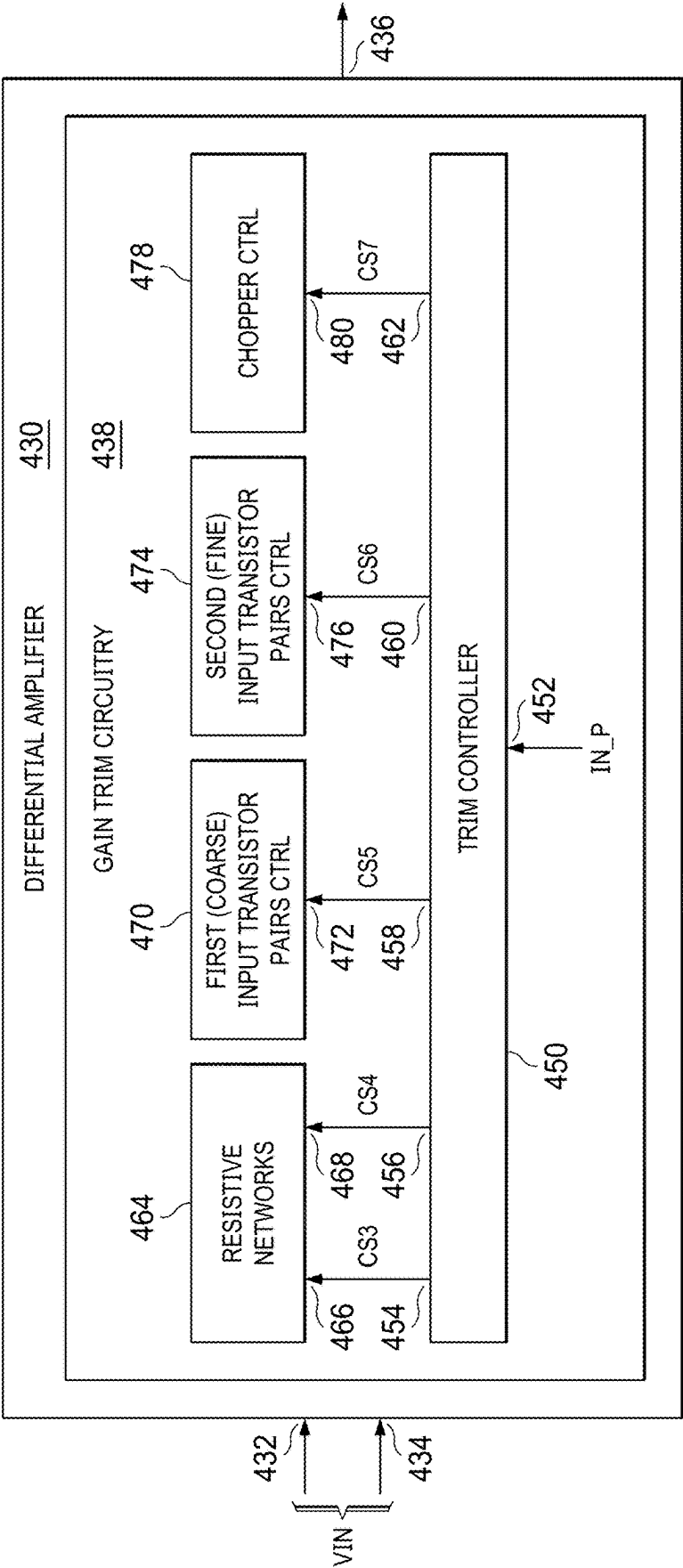
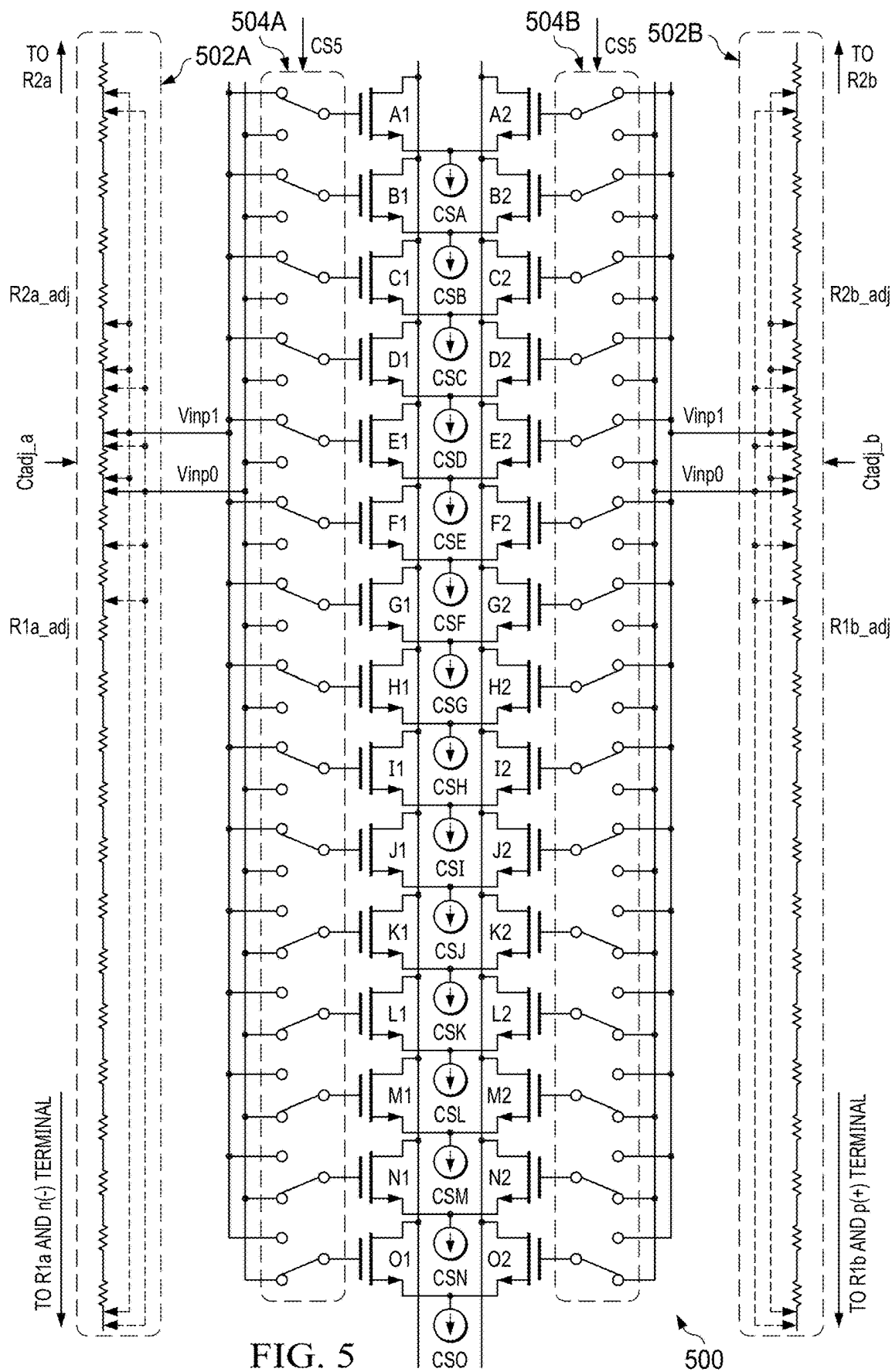
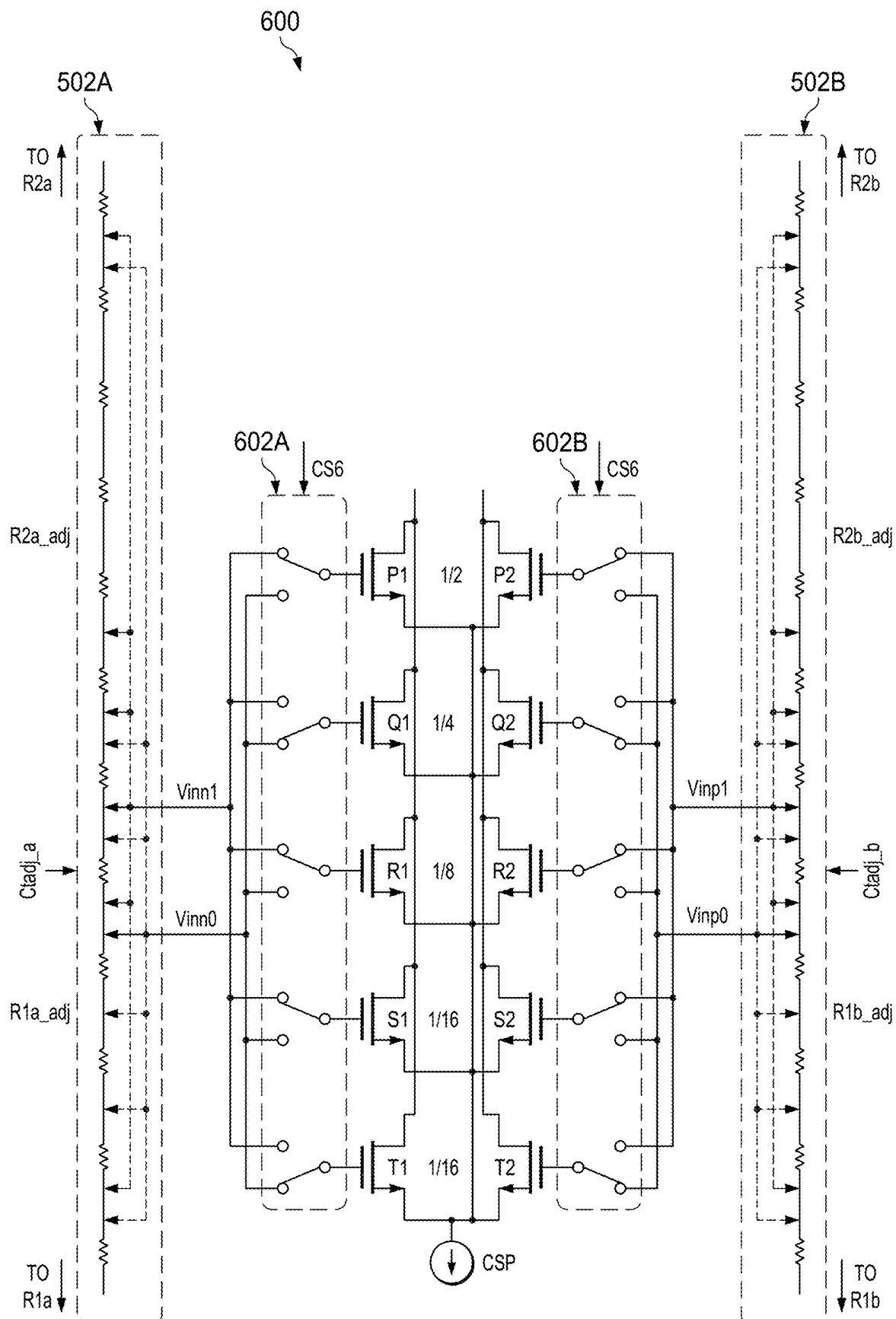
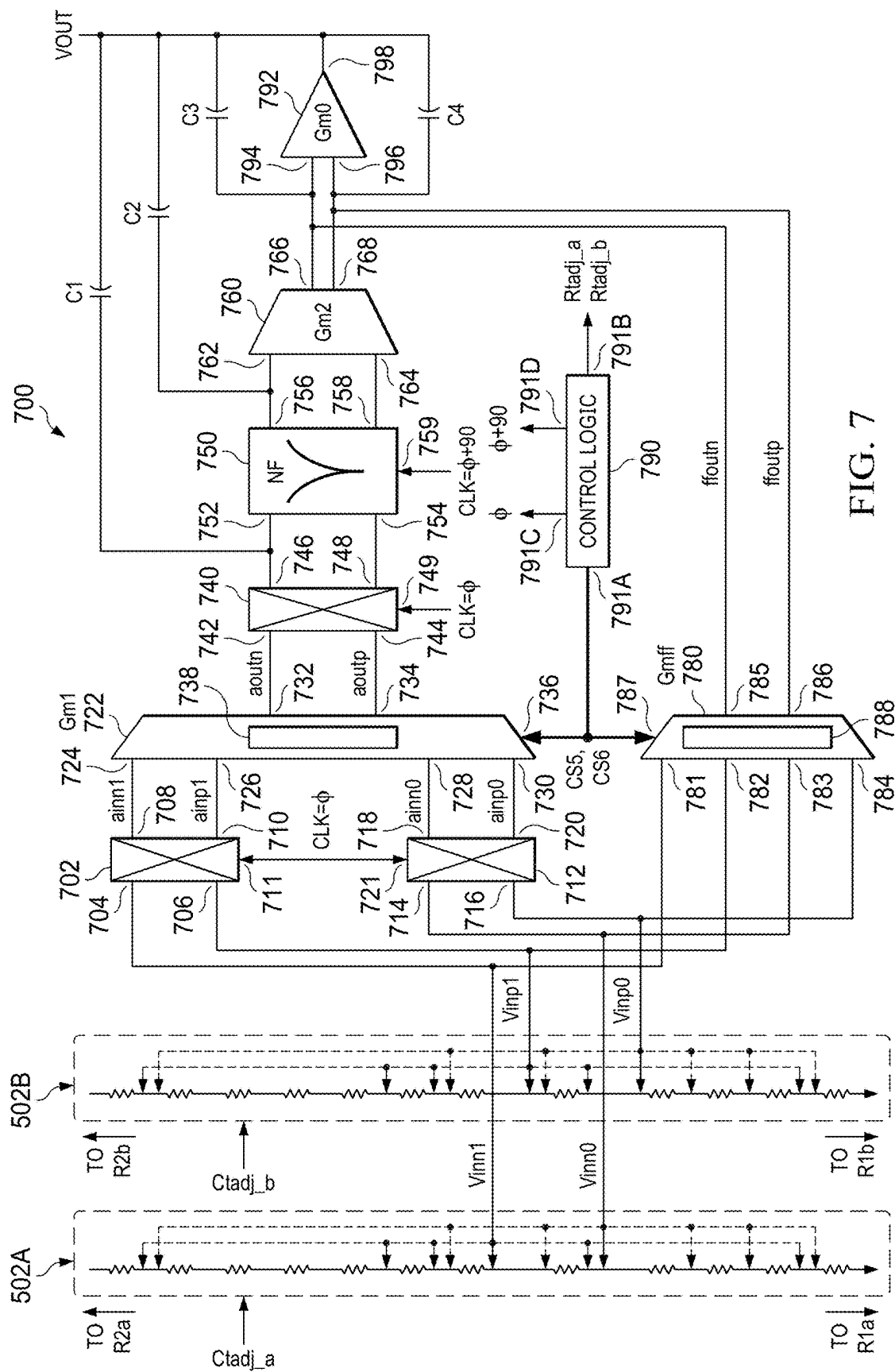


FIG. 4







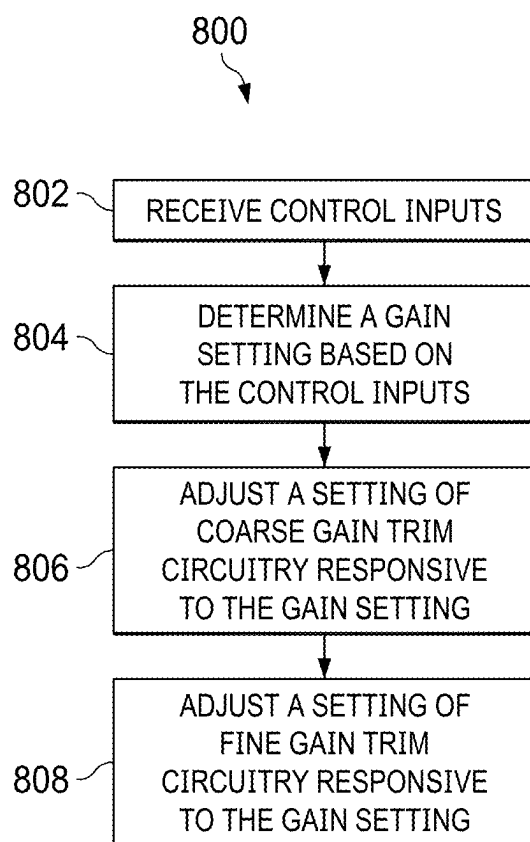


FIG. 8

DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER CIRCUITRY WITH COARSE AND FINE GAIN TRIM

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 63/553,158, titled “CIRCUIT FOR AMPLIFIER WITH INTEGRATED DAC ENABLING COARSE AND FINE GAIN TUNING”, Attorney Docket number T104083US01, filed on Feb. 14, 2024, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

BACKGROUND

[0002] Closed loop amplifiers are often used to amplify a differential input voltage with a fixed gain, resulting in an output voltage. Dynamic amplifier gain adjustments would expand compatibility with a range of input signals and reduce gain error due to changes (e.g., temperature change, aging of components, etc.). The complexity, the cost, and/or the limited accuracy of dynamic amplifier gain adjustment circuitry are ongoing challenges.

SUMMARY

[0003] In an example, an integrated circuit includes differential amplifier circuitry. The differential amplifier circuitry includes: first gain trim circuitry having a first gain trim input, the first gain trim circuitry including a first differential input transistor pair and a second differential input transistor pair; second gain trim circuitry having a second gain trim input, the second gain trim circuitry including a third differential input transistor pair and a fourth differential input transistor pair; and control logic having a first gain trim output and a second gain trim output. The first gain trim output is coupled to the first gain trim input. The second gain trim output is coupled to the second gain trim input.

[0004] In another example, a differential amplifier circuit includes: first differential input transistor pairs; second differential input transistor pairs; resistor pairs; first selection circuitry having a first control input, the first selection circuitry coupled between the resistor pairs and the first differential input transistor pairs; second selection circuitry having a second control input, the second selection circuitry coupled between the set of resistor pairs and the second differential input transistor pairs; and control logic having a first gain trim output and a second gain trim output, the first gain trim output coupled to the first control input, and the second gain trim output coupled to the second control input.

[0005] In yet another example, an apparatus includes differential amplifier circuitry. The differential amplifier circuitry includes: first gain trim circuitry; second gain trim circuitry; and control logic coupled to the coarse gain trim circuitry and the fine gain trim circuitry. The control logic is configured to: receive control inputs; determine a gain setting based on the control inputs; adjust a setting of the first gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting; and adjust a setting of the second gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0006] FIG. 1 is a diagram showing an example system.

[0007] FIG. 2 is a diagram showing another example system.

[0008] FIG. 3A is a schematic diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry.

[0009] FIG. 3B is a schematic diagram showing other differential amplifier circuitry.

[0010] FIG. 4 is a block diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry.

[0011] FIG. 5 is a schematic diagram showing example gain trim circuitry.

[0012] FIG. 6 is a schematic diagram showing other example gain trim circuitry.

[0013] FIG. 7 is a diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry.

[0014] FIG. 8 is a flowchart showing an example gain trim control method.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0015] The same reference numbers or other reference designators are used in the drawings to designate the same or similar features. Such features may be the same or similar either by function and/or structure.

[0016] FIG. 1 is a diagram showing an example system 100. In different examples, the system 100 is part of an overvoltage protection system, a battery management system, a power telemetry system, a motor control system, or a solenoid control system. As shown, the system 100 includes an electrical device 102, an integrated circuit (IC) 120, and a controller 140. In different examples, the electrical device 102 may be a battery, a motor, a solenoid, a telemetry device, a power regulation device, a sensor, or other electrical device. In the example of FIG. 1, the electrical device 102 has a first terminal 104, a second terminal 106, and third terminal 108. If the electrical device 102 is a sensor, the third terminal 108 may be omitted. The IC 120 has a first terminal 122, a second terminal 124, and a third terminal 126. The controller 140 has a first terminal 142 and a second terminal 144.

[0017] In the example of FIG. 1, the IC 120 includes differential amplifier circuitry 130 with gain trim circuitry 138. The differential amplifier circuitry 130 has a first terminal 132, a second terminal 134, and a third terminal 136. In the example of FIG. 1, the first terminal 104 of the electrical device 102 is coupled to the first terminal 122 of the IC 120. The second terminal 106 of the electrical device 102 is coupled to the second terminal 124 of the IC 120. The third terminal 108 of the electrical device 102 is coupled to the first terminal 142 of the controller 140. The second terminal 144 of the controller 140 is coupled to the third terminal 108 of the electrical device 102. The first terminal 122 of the IC 120 is coupled to the first terminal 132 of the differential amplifier circuitry 130. The second terminal 124 of the IC 120 is coupled to the second terminal 134 of the differential amplifier circuitry 130. The third terminal 126 of the IC 120 is coupled to the third terminal 136 of the differential amplifier circuitry 130.

[0018] In some examples, the electrical device 102 operates to: receive a control signal CS1 at the third terminal 108; and perform an operation responsive to the control signal CS1. In other examples, the electrical device 102 does not need the control signal CS1 to perform operations. During operations of the electrical device 102, there is a voltage differential across the first terminal 104 and the second terminal 106 of the electrical device 102. The voltage differential is received at the first and second terminals 122 and 124 of the IC 120, and at the first and second terminals

132 and **134** of the differential amplifier circuitry **130**. The differential amplifier circuitry **130** operates to: receive the differential voltage across the first and second terminals **132** and **134**; apply a gain to the differential voltage; and provide a sense signal **SNS1** at the third terminal **136** responsive to the differential voltage and the gain. In some examples, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **130** is adjustable using the gain trim circuitry **138**. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **138** provides coarse gain trim levels and a fine gain trim levels. To improve accuracy, the gain trim circuitry **138** may include chopping amplifier components, which reduces the effects of temperature drift and noise.

[0019] The controller **140** operates to: receive the sense signal **SNS1** at the first terminal **142**; and adjust the control signal **CS1** responsive to the sense signal **SNS1**. In some examples, the process of monitoring the differential voltage, providing the sense signal **SNS1** to the controller **140**, and adjusting the control signal **CS1** is repeated to provide ongoing overvoltage protection, ongoing battery management, ongoing power telemetry, ongoing motor control, ongoing solenoid control, ongoing power regulation, or other system operations. The control signal **CS1** may be provided to the electrical device **102**, as in FIG. 1, or may be provided to another electrical device.

[0020] With the gain trim circuitry **138**, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **130** is adjustable. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **138** enables coarse gain adjustments and fine gain adjustments. The coarse gain adjustments may be used to cover a target range of gain values. The fine gain adjustments may be used to provide a target gain accuracy. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **138** includes chopper circuitry. With chopper circuitry, error of the differential amplifier circuitry **130** is reduced. Such error may be due to offset voltage (e.g., due to component mismatch), temperature drift, gain drift and noise (flicker noise). In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **138** includes control logic for selecting between different gain adjustment options and/or chopper options responsive to user input and/or monitored parameters (e.g., an input signal range, a temperature, and/or other monitored parameters).

[0021] FIG. 2 is a diagram showing another example system. In different examples, the system **200** is part of an overvoltage protection system, a battery management system, a power telemetry system, a motor control system, or a solenoid control system. As shown, the system **200** includes an electrical device **202**, a sense resistor **210**, an IC **220**, and a controller **240**. In different examples, the electrical device **202** may be a battery, a motor, a solenoid, a telemetry device, a power regulation device, a sensor, or other electrical device. In the example of FIG. 2, the electrical device **202** has a first terminal **204**, a second terminal **206**, and third terminal **208**. The sense resistor **210** has a first terminal **212** and a second terminal **214**. The IC **220** has a first terminal **222**, a second terminal **224**, and a third terminal **226**. The controller **240** has a first terminal **242** and a second terminal **244**.

[0022] In the example of FIG. 2, the IC **220** includes differential amplifier circuitry **230** with gain trim circuitry **238**. The differential amplifier circuitry **230** has a first terminal **232**, a second terminal **234**, and a third terminal **236**. In the example of FIG. 2, the first terminal **204** of the electrical device **202** is coupled to the first terminal **212** of the sense resistor **210** and the first terminal **222** of the IC

220. The second terminal **206** of the electrical device **202** is coupled to the second terminal **214** of the sense resistor **210** and the second terminal **224** of the IC **220**. The third terminal **226** of the IC **220** is coupled to the first terminal **242** of the controller **240**. The second terminal **244** of the controller **240** is coupled to the third terminal **208** of the electrical device **202**.

[0023] The first terminal **222** of the IC **220** is coupled to the first terminal **232** of the differential amplifier circuitry **230**. The second terminal **224** of the IC **220** is coupled to the second terminal **234** of the differential amplifier circuitry **230**. The third terminal **226** of the IC **220** is coupled to the third terminal **236** of the differential amplifier circuitry **230**.

[0024] In some examples, the electrical device **202** operates to: receive a control signal **CS2** at the third terminal **208**; and perform an operation responsive to the control signal **CS2**. During operations of the electrical device **202**, a current **ISNS** flows from the first terminal **204** and through the sense resistor **210**. In the example of FIG. 2, the current **ISNS** flows back to the second terminal **206** of the electrical device **202**. In other examples, the current **ISNS** flows to a ground terminal. In either case, the current **ISNS** is monitored by the IC **220**. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** monitors the current **ISNS** by monitoring a voltage drop across the sense resistor **210**. In such examples, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** operates to: receive a first voltage level at the first terminal **232**; receive a second voltage level at the second terminal **234**; and provide a current sense signal **S2_ISNS** at the third terminal **236** responsive to the first voltage level and the second voltage level. The controller **240** operates to: receive the current sense signal **S2_ISNS** at the first terminal **242**; and adjust the control signal **CS2** responsive to the current sense signal **S2_ISNS**. In some examples, the process of monitoring the current **ISNS** using the sense resistor **210** and the differential amplifier circuitry **230**, providing the current sense signal **S2_ISNS** to the controller **240**, and adjusting the control signal **CS2** for the electrical device **202** is repeated to provide ongoing overcurrent protection, ongoing battery management, ongoing power telemetry, ongoing motor control, ongoing solenoid control, ongoing power regulation, or other system operations.

[0025] With the gain trim circuitry **238**, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **230** is adjustable. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **238** enables coarse gain adjustments and fine gain adjustments. As another option, the gain trim circuitry **238** includes chopper circuitry. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry **238** includes control logic for selecting between different gain adjustment options and/or chopper options responsive to user input and/or monitored parameters (e.g., an input signal range, a temperature, and/or other monitored parameters).

[0026] FIG. 3A is a schematic diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry **300**. The differential amplifier circuitry **300** is an example of the differential amplifier circuitry **130** in FIG. 1, or the differential amplifier circuitry **230** in FIG. 2. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** may have a chopper amplifier architecture as in differential amplifier circuitry **700** of FIG. 7. In the example of FIG. 3A, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** has a first terminal **302**, a second terminal **304**, a third terminal **306**, and a fourth terminal **308**. The differential amplifier circuitry **300** includes an operational amplifier **309**, a trim controller

320, and resistors **R1a**, **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj**, **R2a**, **R1b**, **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj**, and **R2b** in the arrangement shown.

[0027] The trim controller **320** has a first terminal **322**, a second terminal **324**, and a third terminal **326**. The operational amplifier **309** has a first (inverting or “−”) terminal **310**, a second (non-inverting or “+”) terminal **312**, and a third terminal **314**. Each of the resistors **R1a**, **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj**, **R2a**, **R1b**, **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj**, and **R2b** has a respective first terminal and a respective second terminal. The resistors **R1a_adj** and **R2a_adj** form a trimmable resistor controlled by a control signal **Ctadj_a**. In some examples, the value of **R1a_adj** is inversely proportional to **R2a_adj**. In other words, when the control signal **Ctadj_a** increases **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj** is reduced by the same amount such that the total value of **R1a_adj**+**R2a_adj** stays constant. Similarly, when the control signal **Ctadj_a** decreases **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj** is increased by the same amount such that the total value of **R1a_adj**+**R2a_adj** stays constant. Also, the resistors **R1b_adj** and **R2b_adj** form a trimmable resistor controlled by a control signal **Ctadj_b**. The value of **R1b_adj** is inversely proportional to **R2b_adj**. In other words, when the control signal **Ctadj_b** increases **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj** is reduced by the same amount such that the total value of **R1b_adj**+**R2b_adj** stays constant. Similarly, when the control signal **Ctadj_b** decreases **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj** is increased by the same amount such that the total value of **R1b_adj**+**R2b_adj** stays constant.

[0028] In the example of FIG. 3A, the first terminal **302** of the differential amplifier circuitry **300** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R1a**. The second terminal of the resistor **R1a** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R1a_adj**. The second terminal of the resistor **R1a_adj** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R2a_adj** and the first terminal **310** of the operational amplifier **309**. The second terminal of the resistor **R2a_adj** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R2a**. The second terminal of the resistor **R2a** is coupled to the third terminal **314** of the operational amplifier **309** and the third terminal **306** of the differential amplifier circuitry **300**.

[0029] In the example of FIG. 3A, the second terminal **304** of the differential amplifier circuitry **300** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R1b**. The second terminal of the resistor **R1b** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R1b_adj**. The second terminal of the resistor **R1b_adj** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R2b_adj** and the second terminal **312** of the operational amplifier **309**. The second terminal of the resistor **R2b_adj** is coupled to the first terminal of the resistor **R2b**. The second terminal of the resistor **R2b** is coupled to the fourth terminal **308** of the differential amplifier circuitry **300**. The second terminal **324** of the trim controller **320** is coupled to the control terminal for the trimmable resistor related to the resistors **R1a_adj** and **R2a_adj**. The third terminal **326** of the trim controller **320** is coupled to the control terminal for the trimmable resistor related to the resistors **R1b_adj** and **R2b_adj**.

[0030] In the example of FIG. 3A, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** operates to: receive a first input voltage **VINa** at the first terminal **302**; receive a second input voltage **VINb** at the second terminal **304**; and provide an output voltage **VOUT** at the third terminal **306** responsive to operations of the operational amplifier **309**, the resistive network formed by the resistors **R1a**, **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj**, **R2a**, **R1b**, **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj**, and **R2b**, and operations of the trim controller **320**. In some examples, a reference voltage

VREF is applied at the fourth terminal **308**. Specifically, the resistive network formed by the resistors **R1a**, **R1a_adj**, **R2a_adj**, **R2a**, **R1b**, **R1b_adj**, **R2b_adj**, and **R2b** determines the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **300**, where the gain is adjustable by the trim controller **320** using the control signals **Ctadj_a** and **Ctadj_b**. In some examples, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **300** is given as:

$$\text{gain} = \frac{(VOUT - VREF)}{(VINb - VINa)} = \frac{(R2 + R2_adj)}{(R1 + R1_adj)} = \frac{(R2S)}{(R1S)},$$

where **R1**=**R1a** or **R1b**, **R2**=**R2a** or **R2b**, **R2S** is **R2a** adj+**R2a** or **R2b** adj+**R2b**, and **R1S** is **R1a**+**R1a_adj** or **R1b** or **R2b** adj.

[0031] The trim controller **320** operates to: receive input parameters **IN_P** at the first terminal **322**; provide the control signal **Ctadj_a** at the second terminal **324** responsive to the input parameters **IN_P**; and provide the control signal **Ctadj_b** at the third terminal **326** responsive to the input parameters **IN_P**. In some examples, the input parameters **IN_P** include a user input to set the gain to a target value. In some examples, the gain is proportional to $((VOUT - VREF)/(VINb - VINa)) = ((R2 + R2_adj)/(R1 + R1_adj)) = R2S/R1S$. In some examples, **Ctadj_a** and **Ctadj_b** may be used for coarse trim adjustments and/or fine trim adjustments of the trim controller **320**.

[0032] With the trim controller **320**, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry **300** is adjustable. In some examples, the trim controller **320** enables coarse gain adjustments and fine gain adjustments. As another option, operational amplifier **309** may include chopper circuitry and the trim controller **320** includes chopper control circuitry. In some examples, the trim controller **320** includes control logic for selecting between different gain adjustment options and/or chopper options responsive to user input and/or monitored parameters (e.g., an input signal range, a temperature, and/or other monitored parameters).

[0033] FIG. 3B is a schematic diagram showing other differential amplifier circuitry **350**. The differential amplifier circuitry **350** is an example of the differential amplifier circuitry **130** in FIG. 1, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** in FIG. 2, or the differential amplifier circuitry **300** in FIG. 1n. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry **350** may have a chopper amplifier architecture as in differential amplifier circuitry **700** of FIG. 7. In the example of FIG. 3B, the differential amplifier circuitry **350** has the first terminal **302**, the second terminal **304**, the third terminal **306**, the fourth terminal **308**, and the trim controller **320** described in FIG. 3A. In the example of FIG. 3B, the first terminal **302** is a “n” (−) terminal that receives **Vinn**, and the second terminal **304** is a “p” (+) terminal that receives **Vinp**. The differential amplifier circuitry **350** also includes an operational amplifier **309A**, a first resistive network **332**, and a second resistive network **336** in the arrangement shown. More specifically, the first resistive network **332** is between the first terminal **302** and the third terminal **306**. The second resistive network **336** is between the second terminal **304** and the fourth terminal **308**.

[0034] The trim controller **320** has the first terminal **322**, the second terminal **324**, and the third terminal **326**. The operational amplifier **309A** has first (inverting or “−”) terminals **310A** and **310B**, second (non-inverting or “+”) terminals **312A** and **312B**, and the third terminal **314**. The

first resistive network 332 has a control terminal 334 and includes series resistors includes resistor R1a, resistor R2a, and other resistors. The second resistive network 336 has a control terminal 338 and includes series resistors includes resistor R1b, resistor R2b, and other resistors. The first resistive network 332 couples terminals of one of its series resistors to respective first terminals 310A and 310B of the differential amplifier 309A responsive to Ctdj_a. The second resistive network 336 couples terminals of one of its series resistors to respective second terminals 312A and 312B of the differential amplifier 309A responsive to Ctdj_b.

[0035] In the example of FIG. 3B, the differential amplifier circuitry 350 operates to: receive a first input voltage Vinn at the first terminal 302; receive a second input voltage Vinp at the second terminal 304; and provide an output voltage VOUT at the third terminal 306 responsive to operations of the operational amplifier 309A, the resistive network formed by first and second resistive networks 332 and 336, and operations of the trim controller 320. In some examples, a reference voltage VREF is applied at the fourth terminal 308. The first and second resistive networks 332 and 336 determine the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry 350, where the gain is adjustable by the trim controller 320 using the control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b. In some examples, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry 350 is given as:

$$\text{gain} = \frac{(R2)}{(R1)} = \frac{(R2a)}{(R1a)} = \frac{(R2b)}{(R1b)}.$$

[0036] In some examples, the trim controller 320 operates to: receive input parameters IN_P at the first terminal 322; provide the control signal Ctdj_a at the second terminal 324 responsive to the input parameters IN_P; and provide the control signal Ctdj_b at the third terminal 326 responsive to the input parameters IN_P. In some examples, the input parameters IN_P include a user input to set the gain to a target value. In some examples, Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b may be used for coarse trim adjustments and/or fine trim adjustments of the trim controller 320.

[0037] With the trim controller 320, the gain of the differential amplifier circuitry 300 is adjustable. In some examples, the trim controller 320 enables coarse gain adjustments and fine gain adjustments. As another option, operational amplifier 309 may include chopper circuitry and the trim controller 320 includes chopper control circuitry. In some examples, the trim controller 320 includes control logic for selecting between different gain adjustment options and/or chopper options responsive to user input and/or monitored parameters (e.g., an input signal range, a temperature, and/or other monitored parameters).

[0038] FIG. 4 is a block diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry 430. The differential amplifier circuitry 430 is an example of the differential amplifier circuitry 130 in FIG. 1, the differential amplifier circuitry 230 in FIG. 2, the differential amplifier circuitry 300 in FIG. 3A, or the differential amplifier circuitry 350 in FIG. 3B. In the example of FIG. 4, the differential amplifier circuitry 430 has a first terminal 432, a second terminal 434, and a third terminal 436. The differential amplifier circuitry 430 includes gain trim circuitry 438. The gain trim circuitry 438 includes a trim controller 450, resistive networks 464, first

differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470, second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474, and chopper control circuitry 478.

[0039] In the example of FIG. 4, the trim controller 450 has a first terminal 452, a second terminal 454, a third terminal 456, a fourth terminal 458, a fifth terminal 460, and a sixth terminal 462. The resistive networks 464 have a first terminal 466 and a second terminal 468. The first differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470 has a terminal 472. The second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474 has a terminal 476. The chopper control circuitry 478 has a terminal 480.

[0040] In the example of FIG. 4, the second terminal 454 of the trim controller 450 is coupled to the first terminal 466 of the resistive networks 464. The third terminal 456 of the trim controller 450 is coupled to the second terminal 468 of the resistive networks 464. The fourth terminal 458 of the trim controller 450 is coupled to the terminal 472 of the first differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470. The fifth terminal 460 of the trim controller 450 is coupled to the terminal 476 of the second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474. The sixth terminal 462 of the trim controller 450 is coupled to the terminal 480 of the chopper control circuitry 478.

[0041] In the example of FIG. 4, the trim controller 450 operates to: receive input parameters IN_P at the first terminal 452; provide a control signal CS3 at the second terminal 454 responsive to the input parameters IN_P; provide a control signal CS4 at the third terminal 456 responsive to the input parameters IN_P; provide a control signal CS5 at the fourth terminal 458 responsive to the input parameters IN_P; provide a control signal CS6 at the fifth terminal 460 responsive to the input parameters IN_P; and provide a control signals CS7 at the sixth terminal 462 responsive to the input parameters IN_P.

[0042] In some examples, the resistive networks 464 operates to: receive the control signal CS3 at the first terminal 466; receive the control signal CS4 at the second terminal 468; and select resistor pairs responsive to the control signals CS3 and CS4. In some examples, the resistive networks 464 selects the values of the resistors R1a_adj, R2a_adj, R1b_adj, and R2b_adj responsive to the control signals CS3 and CS4. In some examples, CS3 includes the control signal Ctdj_a described herein, and CS4 includes the control signal Ctdj_b described herein.

[0043] In some examples, the first differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470 operates to: receive the control signal CS5 at the terminal 472; and select a differential input transistor pair of the first differential input transistor pairs responsive to the control signal CS5. In some examples, the first differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470 selects a coarse gain adjustment for the differential amplifier circuitry 430 responsive to the control signal CS5.

[0044] In some examples, the second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474 operates to: receive the control signal CS6 at the terminal 476; and select a differential input transistor pair of the second differential input transistor pairs responsive to the control signal CS6. In some examples, the second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474 selects a fine gain adjustment for the differential amplifier circuitry 430 responsive to the control signal CS6.

[0045] In some examples, the chopper control circuitry 478 operates to: receive the control signals CS7 at the terminal 480; and direct chopper operations responsive the control signals CS7. In some examples, the control signals CS7 include a first clock signal (e.g., 0 herein) and a shifted clock signal (e.g., $\phi+90$ herein). In some examples, the chopper control circuitry 478 may control cross-coupled switches (e.g., the first, second, and third cross-coupled switches 702, 712, and 740 in FIG. 7) and a notch filter (e.g., the notch filters 750 in FIG. 7) to reduce offset voltage, temperature drift and noise.

[0046] FIG. 5 is a schematic diagram showing example gain trim circuitry 500. In the example of FIG. 5, the gain trim circuitry 500 includes a first resistive network 502A, a second resistive network 502B, a first switch network 504A, a second switch network 504B, first differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2, and current sources CSA to CSO in the arrangement shown. The first resistive network 502A is an example of the resistors R1a_adj and R2a_adj in FIG. 3A, the first resistive network 332 in FIG. 3A, or part of the resistive networks 464 in FIG. 4. The second resistive network 502B is an example of the resistors R1b_adj and R2b_adj in FIG. 3A, the second resistive network 336 in FIG. 3B, or part of the resistive networks 464 in FIG. 4. The first switch network 504A and the second switch network 504B are example components of the first differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 470 in FIG. 4. The first differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 and the current sources CSA to CSO are gain trim circuitry components (e.g., components of the gain trim circuitry 138 in FIG. 1, components of the gain trim circuitry 238 in FIG. 2, or components of the gain trim circuitry 438 in FIG. 4). In some examples, gain trim circuitry components, such as the gain trim circuitry 500, may include adjustable resistive network components, different differential input transistor pair options, and/or chopper components.

[0047] In the example of FIG. 5, the first resistive network 502A receives the control signal Ctdj_a and selects a particular resistor of a chain of series resistors responsive to the control signal Ctdj_a. The second resistive network 502B receives the control signal Ctdj_b and selects a particular resistor of a chain of series resistors responsive to the control signal Ctdj_b. In some examples, the control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b are used to select the same relative resistor position. Once the control signal Ctdj_a selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the first resistive network 502A, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2a_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1a_adj. Similarly, once the control signal Ctdj_b selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the second resistive network 502B, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2b_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1b_adj.

[0048] In the example of FIG. 5, the first switch network 504A and the second switch network 504B receive the control signal CS5 described in FIG. 4. Responsive to the control signal CS5, the first switch network 504A and the second switch network 504B couple a group of the first differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 to the selected resistor pair of the first resistive network 502A and the second resistive network 502B. Once connected, the voltage across the selected resistor of the first resistive network 502A is the difference between Vinn1 and Vinn0.

Meanwhile, the voltage across the selected resistor of the second resistive network 502B is the different between Vinn1 and Vinn0.

[0049] In some examples, each transistor of the transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 are sized the same (e.g., the ratio of width/length for each transistor is the same for transistors A1 to O1 and A2 to O2). Also, each of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 is coupled to a respective current source of the current sources CSA to CSO. In some examples, each of the current sources CSA to CSO provides the same current level. In different examples, the number of resistors in the first resistive network 502A and the second resistive network 502B may vary. Also, the number of differential input transistor pairs for the gain trim circuitry 500 may vary.

[0050] In the example of FIG. 5, resistor R_adj (R1a_adj and R2a_adj or R1b_adj and R2b_adj herein) is tapped into a differential amplifier. In some examples, the control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b are used to select between a number of resistor taps (e.g., $64=2^6$ resistor taps). In some examples, additional gain steps are provided between the resistor tap steps. Instead of having 1 tap moving on the resistor R_adj, two identical adjacent taps to achieve a target gain value are performed responsive to Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b. For the “p”(+) side, the adjacent taps result in Vinn0 and Vinn1. For the “n”(−) side, the adjacent taps result in Vinn0 and Vinn1. In the example of FIG. 5, the differential input transistor pair of the amplifier is split into multiple parallel transistor pair options. To provide more gain steps, one of the taps is connected to one group of the differential input transistor pairs while the other tap is connected to remaining differential input transistor pairs. In the example of FIG. 5, there are 15 differential input transistor pairs with switches from each differential input transistor pair coupled to the taps connected to the resistors. In some examples, the switches for the first switch network 504A and the second switch network 504B are operated like a “thermometer”. As an example, for a lowest thermometer gain code (e.g., CS5=15'b000 0000 0000 0000), all the diff pairs are connected to the lower Vinn0 tap. At the next code (e.g., CS5=15'b000 0000 0000 0001), one differential input transistor pair is connected to the higher Vinn1 tap while the remaining 14 differential input transistor pairs stay connected to Vinn0. At the next code (e.g., CS5=15'b000 0000 0000 0011), two differential input transistor pairs are connected to Vinn1 while the remaining 13 differential input transistor pairs are connected to the Vinn0 tap. As the control code increases, more differential input transistor pairs are connected to the Vinn1 tap (like a thermometer) and reduce the number of differential input transistor pairs connected to the Vinn0 tap until the last code (e.g., CS5=15'b111 1111 1111 1111) where all the differential input transistor pairs are connected to Vinn1 tap. With the topology of FIG. 5, 16 additional gain step options are provided for each resistor tap step.

[0051] In some examples, coarse gain step adjustments may be performed by sliding both the Vinn0 and Vinn1 resistor taps by 1 segment and resetting all the diff pair connections to have them all connected to Vinn0. However, this would create a glitch during this transition. To avoid such glitches, the Vinn1 tap is maintained at the same point and the Vinn0 tap is moved up by 2 segments across the Vinn1 tap while keep the all the differential input transistor pairs connected to the Vinn1 tap. This works because the

Vinn0 tap has no differential input transistor pairs connected while the Vinn1 tap with all differential input transistor pairs connected. In some examples, the same resistor tap is done simultaneously for both the first and second resistive networks 502A and 502B to avoid glitches during resistor tap movement. This adjustment technique allows for glitch free resistor tap transitions because all differential input transistor pairs are connected to the Vinn1 (or Vinn0) tap while the Vinn0 (or Vinn1) tap is moved one tap past the Vinn1 (or Vinn0) tap. When moving down, a similar tap sliding technique is performed by moving the outer tap 2 positions down while keeping all differential input transistor pairs connected to the middle tap.

[0052] In some examples, combining 16 differential input transistor pair options with 64 gain steps from the resistor taps results in $64 \times 16 = 1024$ gain steps or codes. With coarse trim circuitry, the gain of a differential amplifier gain covers a wider gain range with larger gain step sizes. To improve accuracy (e.g., a 14-bit gain trim), differential amplifier circuitry may include fine gain trim circuitry, which provide fine gain steps to reduce the step size.

[0053] FIG. 6 is a schematic diagram showing other example gain trim circuitry 600. In the example of FIG. 6, the gain trim circuitry 600 includes the first resistive network 502A, the second resistive network 502B, a third switch network 602A, a fourth switch network 602B, second differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2, and current source CSP in the arrangement shown. The first resistive network 502A is an example of the resistors R1a_adj and R2a_adj in FIG. 3A, the first resistive network 332 in FIG. 3B, or part of the resistive networks 464 in FIG. 4. The second resistive network 502B is an example of the resistors R1b_adj and R2b_adj in FIG. 3A, the second resistive network 336, or part of the resistive networks 464 in FIG. 4. The third switch network 602A and the fourth switch network 602B are example components of the second differential input transistor pairs control circuitry 474 in FIG. 4. The second differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 and the current source CSP are gain trim circuitry components (e.g., components of the gain trim circuitry 138 in FIG. 1, components of the gain trim circuitry 238 in FIG. 2, or components of the gain trim circuitry 438 in FIG. 4). In some examples, gain trim circuitry components, such as the gain trim circuitry 600, may include adjustable resistive network components, different differential input transistor pair options, and/or chopper components.

[0054] In the example of FIG. 6, the first resistive network 502A receives the control signal Ctdj_a and selects a particular resistor of a chain of series resistors responsive to the control signal Ctdj_a. The second resistive network 502B receives the control signal Ctdj_a and selects a particular resistor of a chain of series resistors responsive to the control signal Ctdj_a. In some examples, the control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b are used to select the same relative resistor position. Once the control signal Ctdj_a selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the first resistive network 502A, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2a_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1a_adj. Similarly, once the control signal Ctdj_b selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the second resistive network 502B, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2b_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1b_adj.

[0055] In the example of FIG. 6, the third switch network 602A and the fourth switch network 602B receive the control signal CS6 described in FIG. 4. Responsive to the control signal CS6, the third switch network 602A and the fourth switch network 602B couple one of the second differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 to the selected resistor pair of the first resistive network 502A and the second resistive network 502B. Once connected, the voltage across the selected resistor of the first resistive network 502A is the difference between Vinn1 and Vinn0. Meanwhile, the voltage across the selected resistor of the second resistive network 502B is the difference between Vinp1 and Vinp0. In some examples, each of the differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 are sized differently. In the example of FIG. 6, each transistor of differential input transistor pair P1/P2 is $\frac{1}{2}$ the size of each transistor of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 of FIG. 5. Each transistor of differential input transistor pair Q1/Q2 is $\frac{1}{4}$ the size of each transistor of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 of FIG. 5. Each transistor of the differential input transistor pair R1/R2 is $\frac{1}{8}$ the size of each transistor of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2. Each transistor of the differential input transistor pair S1/S2 is $\frac{1}{16}$ the size of each transistor of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2. Each transistor of the differential input transistor pair T1/T2 is $\frac{1}{16}$ the size of each transistor of the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 of FIG. 5. In some examples, the current sources CSP is shared by all of the differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2. In some examples, the number of differential input transistor pairs for the gain trim circuitry 600 may vary. In some examples, the gain trim circuitry 600 provides fine trim circuitry for a differential amplifier, where each of the differential input transistor pairs provides another fine trim option.

[0056] In the example of FIG. 6, 16 additional gain trim steps are interpolated using 5 more differential input transistor pairs. In some examples, the drains of the 5 additional differential input transistor pairs are connected to the same nodes as the differential input transistor pairs that were used for the coarse gain adjustments in FIG. 5. In some examples, the differential input transistor pairs for fine gain trim adjustments share the same current among them with the differential input transistor pairs having respective W/L ratios to provide differential input transistor pair weights of $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{16}$, and $\frac{1}{16}$ of the coarse gain differential input transistor pairs. In some examples, the sum of these W/L ratios is equal to the W/L ratio of the coarse gain differential input transistor pairs. In some examples, the control terminals of the differential input transistor pairs in FIG. 6 are connected to the top tap (Vinn1 or Vinp1) and the bottom tap (Vinn0 or Vinp0) based on a selective binary counting system that produces equal gain steps between codes while minimizing glitches during code transitions. In some examples, the lowest selective binary code would be 5'd1 (e.g., CS6=00001), which results in Vinn1 tap being connected to the T1/T2 differential input transistor pair and results in a W/L weight of $\frac{1}{16}$ of a coarse differential input transistor pair. Meanwhile, the Vinn0 tap is connected to the S1/S2, R1/R2, Q1, Q2, and P1/P2 differential input transistor pairs and results in a W/L weight of $\frac{15}{16}$ of a coarse differential input transistor pair. The next code is 5'd3 (e.g., CS6=00011), which has A0 and A1 connected to Vin1 and results a weight of $\frac{3}{16}$ of a coarse differential input transistor

pair and giving Vin0 a weight of $1^4/16$. The next code is 5'd5(e.g., CS6=00101), resulting in the Vin1 tap being weighted at $3^4/16$ of a coarse differential input transistor pair, while the Vin0 tap is weighted at $1^3/16$ of a coarse differential input transistor pair.

[0057] In some examples, the selective binary code options include codes for 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 27, and 31. At code 5'd31(e.g., CS6=11111), the Vinn0 tap has a weight of 0 and the Vinn1 tap is connected to all 5 differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 and results in a weight of $1^6/16$ or 1 course differential input transistor pair. Accordingly, in some examples, every gain-code increase for fine gain trim adjustments increases the W/L weight by $1/16$ relative to the coarse gain trim adjustment. In some examples, glitches are prevented during fine gain trim adjustments when sliding the resistor tap by moving the lower tap by 2 segments up and keeping the higher tap at the same position. In order to continue obtain the same $1/16$ W/L weight increments, coarse gain trim steps may be decremented as the gain-code increases. Similarly, selective binary codes may be decremented to avoid glitches. In order to get a $1/16$ W/L weight change at the resistor tap transition point, the selective binary code is changed from 5'31(e.g., CS6=5'b11111) to 5'd30 (e.g., CS6=5'b11110). When counting down, the selective binary code options include 30, 28, 26, 24, 22, 20, 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, and 0. In some examples, resistor tap position options, coarse gain trim control options, and fine gain trim control controls options are represented in Table 1.

Vin0 tap weights due to each 2^{st} trim code (e.g., the seventh column in Table 1), and Vin0 tap total weights due to 1^{st} and 2^{nd} trim codes (e.g., the eighth column in Table 1). Table 1 also shows Vin1 tap positions due to each resistor tap code (e.g., the ninth column in Table 1), Vin1 tap weights due to each 1^{st} trim code (e.g., the tenth column in Table 1), Vin1 tap weights due to each 2^{st} trim code (e.g., the eleventh column in Table 1), and Vin1 tap total weights due to 1^{st} and 2^{nd} trim codes (e.g., the twelfth column in Table 1). With the gain trim technique related to Table 1, a wide gain range and fine resolution is achieved. In the example of Table 1, there are 64 resistor tap options (representing 6 bits of gain trim options), 16 1^{st} trim code options (representing 4 bits of gain trim options), and 16 2^{nd} trim code options (representing 4 bits of gain trim options), resulting in $64 \times 16 \times 16 = 16384$ gain steps or a 14-bit gain adjustment resolution. In other examples, the number of gain steps and/or the gain adjustment resolution may vary.

[0058] FIG. 7 is a diagram showing example differential amplifier circuitry 700. In the example of FIG. 7, the differential amplifier circuitry 700 is a chopper amplifier. As shown, the differential amplifier circuitry 700 includes the first resistive network 502A, the second resistive network 502B, first cross-coupled switches 702, second cross-coupled switches 712, a first gain stage 722, third cross-coupled switches 740, a notch filter 750, a second gain stage 760, a feed-forward gain stage 780, a third gain stage 792, and capacitors C1 to C4 in the arrangement shown. Each of the capacitors C1 to C4 has a respective first terminal and a

TABLE 1

Gain Code	RTC	1st Trim Code	2nd Trim Code	Vin0 Pos	Vin0 1st W/L Wt	Vin0 2nd W/L Wt	Vin0 Total Wt	Vin1 Pos	Vin1 1st W/L Wt	Vin1 2nd W/L Wt	Vin1 Total Wt
0	1	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00000	1	15	16/16	$1 \times (15 + 16/16)$	2	0	0/16	$2 \times (0)$
1	1	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00001	1	15	15/16	$1 \times (15 + 15/16)$	2	0	1/16	$2 \times (0 + 1/16)$
2	1	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00011	1	15	14/16	$1 \times (15 + 14/16)$	2	0	2/16	$2 \times (0 + 2/16)$
15	1	15'b0000000000000000	5'b11101	1	15	1/16	$1 \times (15 + 1/16)$	2	0	15/16	$2 \times (0 + 15/16)$
16	1	15'b0000000000000000	5'b11111	1	15	0/16	$1 \times (15)$	2	0	16/16	$2 \times (1)$
17	1	15'b0000000000000001	5'b00001	1	14	15/16	$1 \times (14 + 15/16)$	2	1	1/16	$2 \times (1 + 1/16)$
18	1	15'b0000000000000001	5'b00011	1	14	14/16	$1 \times (14 + 14/16)$	2	1	2/16	$2 \times (1 + 2/16)$
31	1	15'b0000000000000001	5'b11101	1	14	1/16	$1 \times (14 + 1/16)$	2	1	15/16	$2 \times (1 + 15/16)$
32	1	15'b0000000000000001	5'b11111	1	14	0/16	$1 \times (14)$	2	1	16/16	$2 \times (2)$
255	1	15'b1111111111111111	5'b11101	1	0	1/16	$1 \times (0 + 1/16)$	2	15	15/16	$2 \times (15 + 15/16)$
256	1	15'b1111111111111111	5'b11111	1	0	0/16	$1 \times (0)$	2	15	16/16	$2 \times (15 + 16/16)$
257	2	15'b1111111111111111	5'b11110	3	0	1/16	$3 \times (0 + 1/16)$	2	15	15/16	$2 \times (15 + 15/16)$
258	2	15'b1111111111111111	5'b11100	3	0	2/16	$3 \times (0 + 2/16)$	2	15	14/16	$2 \times (15 + 14/16)$
271	2	15'b1111111111111111	5'b00010	3	0	15/16	$3 \times (0 + 15/16)$	2	15	1/16	$2 \times (15 + 1/16)$
272	2	15'b1111111111111111	5'b00000	3	0	16/16	$3 \times (1)$	2	15	0/16	$2 \times (15)$
273	2	15'b0111111111111111	5'b11110	3	1	1/16	$3 \times (1 + 1/16)$	2	14	15/16	$2 \times (14 + 15/16)$
511	2	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00010	3	15	15/16	$3 \times (15 + 15/16)$	2	0	1/16	$2 \times (0 + 1/16)$
512	2	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00000	3	15	16/16	$3 \times (15 + 16/16)$	2	0	0/16	$2 \times (0)$
513	3	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00001	3	15	15/16	$3 \times (15 + 15/16)$	4	0	1/16	$4 \times (0 + 1/16)$
514	3	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00011	3	15	14/16	$3 \times (15 + 14/16)$	4	0	2/16	$4 \times (0 + 2/16)$
16382	64	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00010	65	15	15/16	$65 \times (15 + 15/16)$	64	0	1/16	$64 \times (0 + 1/16)$
16383	64	15'b0000000000000000	5'b00000	65	15	16/16	$65 \times (15 + 16/16)$	64	0	0/16	$64 \times (0)$

In the example of Table 1, 16384 gain steps (e.g., the first column in Table 1) and related gain codes are represented. Each gain step includes a resistor tap code (RTC) (the second column in Table 1), a 1^{st} trim code (e.g., the third column in Table 1), and a 2^{nd} trim code (e.g., the fourth column in Table 1), where the 1^{st} trim code is a coarse trim code, and the second 2^{nd} trim code is a fine trim code. Table 1 also shows Vin0 tap positions due to each resistor tap code (e.g., the fifth column in Table 1), Vin0 tap weights due to each 1^{st} trim code (e.g., the sixth column in Table 1), and

respective second terminal. The first cross-coupled switches 702 has a first terminal 704, a second terminal 706, a third terminal 708, a fourth terminal 710, and a fifth terminal 711. The second cross-coupled switches 712 has a first terminal 714, a second terminal 716, a third terminal 718, a fourth terminal 720, and a fifth terminal 721. The first gain stage 722 has a first terminal 724, a second terminal 726, a third terminal 728, a fourth terminal 730, a fifth terminal 732, a sixth terminal 734, and seventh terminals 736. The first gain stage 722 includes gain trim circuitry 738. In some

examples, the gain trim circuitry 738 includes course gain trim circuitry (e.g., the gain trim circuitry 500 in FIG. 5) and fine gain trim circuitry (e.g., the gain trim circuitry 600 in FIG. 6).

[0059] The third cross-coupled switches 740 has a first terminal 742, a second terminal 744, a third terminal 746, a fourth terminal 748, and a fifth terminal 749. The notch filter 750 has a first terminal 752, a second terminal 754, a third terminal 756, a fourth terminal 758, and a fifth terminal 759. The second gain stage 760 has a first terminal 762, a second terminal 764, a third terminal 766, and a fourth terminal 768. The third gain stage 792 has a first terminal 794, a second terminal 796, and a third terminal 798. The feed-forward gain stage 780 has a first terminal 781, a second terminal 782, a third terminal 783, a fourth terminal 784, a fifth terminal 785, a sixth terminal 786, and seventh terminals 787. The feed-forward gain stage 780 includes gain trim circuitry 788. The control logic 790 has first terminals 791A, second terminals 791B, a third terminal 791C, and a fourth terminal 791D.

[0060] The first terminal 704 of the first cross-coupled switches 702 is coupled to the first resistive network 502A and receives Vinn1. The second terminal 706 of the first cross-coupled switches 702 is coupled to the second resistive network 502B and receives Vinp1. The third terminal 708 of the first cross-coupled switches 702 is coupled to the first terminal 724 of the first gain stage 722. The fourth terminal 710 of the first cross-coupled switches 702 is coupled to the second terminal 726 of the first gain stage 722. The fifth terminal 711 of the first cross-coupled switches 702 is coupled to the third terminal 791C of the control logic 790.

[0061] The first terminal 714 of the second cross-coupled switches 712 is coupled to the first resistive network 502A and receives Vinn0. The second terminal 716 of the second cross-coupled switches 712 is coupled to the second resistive network 502B and receives Vinp0. The third terminal 718 of the second cross-coupled switches 712 is coupled to the third terminal 728 of the first gain stage 722. The fourth terminal 720 of the second cross-coupled switches 712 is coupled to the fourth terminal 730 of the first gain stage 722. The fifth terminal 721 of the second cross-coupled switches 712 is coupled to the third terminal 791C of the control logic 790. The fifth terminal 732 of the first gain stage 722 is coupled to the first terminal 742 of the third cross-coupled switches 740. The sixth terminal 734 of the first gain stage 722 is coupled to the second terminal 744 of the third cross-coupled switches 740. The seventh terminals 736 of the first gain stage 722 are coupled to the first terminals 791A of the control logic 790. The third terminal 746 of the third cross-coupled switches 740 is coupled to the first terminal 752 of the notch filter 750 and the first terminal of the capacitor C1. The fourth terminal 748 of the third cross-coupled switches 740 is coupled to the second terminal 754 of the notch filter 750. The fifth terminal 749 of the third cross-coupled switches 740 is coupled to the third terminal 791C of the control logic 790.

[0062] The third terminal 756 of the notch filter 750 is coupled to the first terminal 762 of the second gain stage 760 and the first terminal of the capacitor C2. The fourth terminal 758 of the notch filter 750 is coupled to the second terminal 764 of the second gain stage 760. The fifth terminal 759 of the notch filter 750 is coupled to the fourth terminal 791D of the control logic 790.

[0063] The first terminal 781 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 is coupled to the first resistive network 502A and receives Vinn1. The second terminal 782 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 is coupled to the second resistive network 502B and receives Vinp1. The third terminal 783 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 is coupled to the first resistive network 502A and receives Vinn0. The fourth terminal 784 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 is coupled to the second resistive network 502B and receives Vinp0. The fifth terminal 785 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 and the third terminal 766 of the second gain stage are coupled to the first terminal 794 of the third gain stage 792 and the first terminal of the capacitor C3. The sixth terminal 786 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 and the fourth terminal 768 of the second gain stage 760 are coupled to the second terminal 796 of the third gain stage 792 and the first terminal of the capacitor C4. The seventh terminals 787 of the feed-forward gain stage 780 are coupled to the first terminals 791A of the control logic 790. The second terminals 791B of the control logic 790 are coupled to the first resistive network 502A and the second resistive network 502B. The second terminals of the capacitors C1 to C4 are coupled to the third terminal 798 of the third gain stage 792.

[0064] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry 700 operates to: adjust Vinn1, Vinn0, Vinp1, and Vinp0 responsive to the control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b; and provide VOUT responsive to applied VREF set gain by user or system. In some examples, the gain is given as: $\text{gain} = ((VOUT - VREF) / (VINb - VINa)) = ((R2 + R2_adj) / (R1 + R1_adj)) = R2S / R1S$. The operations of the first cross-coupled switches 702, the second cross-coupled switches 712, the first gain stage 722, the third cross-coupled switches 740, the notch filter 750, the second gain stage 760, the feed-forward gain stage 780, the third gain stage 792, the control logic 790, and the capacitors C1 to C4 are used to provide a target gain accuracy and reduce offset, offset temperature drift, and noise.

[0065] More specifically, the first resistive network 502A operates to adjust Vinn1 and Vinn0 responsive to the control signal Ctdj_a. The second resistive network 502B operates to adjust Vinp1 and Vinp0 responsive to the control signal Ctdj_b. The control signals Ctdj_a and Ctdj_b are used to select the same relative resistor position. Once the control signal Ctdj_a selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the first resistive network 502A, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2a_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1a_adj. Similarly, once the control signal Ctdj_b selects a resistor in the chain of series resistors of the second resistive network 502B, the resistors above the selected resistor form R2b_adj, and the resistors below the selected resistor form R1b_adj.

[0066] The first cross-coupled switches 702 operate to: receive Vinn1 at the first terminal 704; receive Vinp1 at the second terminal 706; receive ϕ at the fifth terminal 711; provide ainn1 at the third terminal 708 responsive to Vinn1, Vinp1 and ϕ ; and provide ainp1 at the fourth terminal 710 responsive to Vinn1, Vinp1, and ϕ . When ϕ is asserted, ainn1=Vinn1 and ainp1=Vinp1. When ϕ is de-asserted, ainn1=Vinp1 and ainp1=Vinn1.

[0067] The second cross-coupled switches 712 operate to: receive Vinn0 at the first terminal 714; receive Vinp0 at the second terminal 716; receive ϕ at the fifth terminal 721; provide ainn0 at the third terminal 718 responsive to Vinn0, Vinp0 and ϕ ; and provide ainp0 at the fourth terminal 720

responsive to Vinn0, Vinp0, and ϕ . When ϕ is asserted, ainn0=Vinn0 and ainp0=Vinp0. When ϕ is de-asserted, ainn0=Vinp0 and ainp0=Vinn0.

[0068] The first gain stage 722 operates to: receive ainn1 at the first terminal 724; receive ainp1 at the second terminal 726; receive ainn0 at the third terminal 728; receive ainp0 at the fourth terminal 730; receive CS5 and CS6 at the seventh terminals 736; provide an output signal aoutn at the fifth terminal 732 responsive to ainn1, ainn0, CS5, CS6, and the operations of the gain trim circuitry 738; and provide an output signal aoutp at the sixth terminal 734 responsive to ainp1, ainp0, CS5, CS6, and the operations of the gain trim circuitry 738.

[0069] The third cross-coupled switches 740 operate to: receive aoutn at the first terminal 742; receive aoutp at the second terminal 744; receive ϕ at the fifth terminal 749; provide a first output signal at the third terminal 746 responsive to aoutp, aoutn, and ϕ ; and provide a second output signal at the fourth terminal 748 responsive to aoutp, aoutn, and ϕ . When ϕ is asserted, the first output signal is equal to aoutn and the second output signal is equal to aoutp. When ϕ is de-asserted, the first output signal is equal to aoutp and the second output signal is equal to aoutn.

[0070] The notch filter 750 operates to: receive the first input signal from the third cross-coupled switches 740 at the first terminal 752; receive the second input signal from the third cross-coupled switches 740 at the second terminal 754; receive clock $\phi+90$ at the fifth terminal 759; provide a first filtered output at the third terminal 756 responsive to the first and second input signal and clock at $\phi+90$; provide a second filtered output at the fourth terminal 758 responsive to first the second input signal and clock $\phi+90$. To summarize, the notch filter 750 receives a differential input signal and provides a filtered differential output signal, which reduces ripple in the signal.

[0071] The second gain stage 760 operates to: receive the first filtered output at the first terminal 762; receive the second filtered output at the second terminal 764; provide a first amplified output at the third terminal 766 responsive to the first and second filtered differential output from notch filter; and provide a second amplified output at the fourth terminal 768 responsive to the first and second differential filtered output from notch filter. The second gain stage 760 receives a differential input and provides an amplified differential output based on the differential input.

[0072] The feed-forward gain stage 780 operates to: receive vinn1 at the first terminal 781; receive vinp1 at the second terminal 782; receive vinn0 at the third terminal 783; receive vinp0 at the fourth terminal 784; receive CS5 and CS6 at the seventh terminals 787; provide an output signal ffoutn at the fifth terminal 785 responsive to vinn1, vinn0, CS5, CS6, and the operations of the gain trim circuitry 788; and provide an output signal ffoutp at the sixth terminal 786 responsive to vinp1, vinp0, CS5, CS6, and the operations of the gain trim circuitry 788.

[0073] The third gain stage operates to: receive the first amplified output and the output signal ffoutn at the first terminal 794; receive the second amplified output and the output signal ffoutp at the second terminal 796; and provide VOUT responsive to first amplified output, the second amplified output, the output signal ffoutn, and the output signal ffoutp. In the example of FIG. 7, the capacitors C1 to C4 are used for compensation of the chopper amplifier

operations. Such compensation limits the bandwidth of the operational amplifier for improved stability.

[0074] With the gain trim circuitry 738, the gain trim circuitry 788, and chopper components (e.g., the first cross-coupled switches 702, the second cross-coupled switches 712, the third cross-coupled switches 740, the notch filter 750, and the feed-forward gain stage 780), the differential amplifier circuitry 700 provides coarse gain trim options, fine gain trim options, improved accuracy and reduced offset, reduced offset temperature drift, and reduced noise.

[0075] Because differential amplifiers have inherent offset from transistor mismatches, using a chopper amplifier architecture as in FIG. 7 (e.g., with an inline switched capacitor notch filter and a parallel feedforward path) can reduce the offset. With a chopper amplifier architecture, the differential inputs (Vinn and Vinp) are swapped on every clock cycle. In the example of FIG. 7, the Vinn1/Vinp1 terminals and the Vinn0/Vinp0 terminals are swapped for the first gain stage 722 in the DC high gain path using the first and second cross-coupled switches 702 and 712 clock phase CD. The output of first gain stage 722 is also swapped (chopped) using the third cross-coupled switches 740 to maintain the first gain stage polarity. The notch filter 750 is connected at the output of the first gain stage after the third cross-coupled switches 740 and is chopped using clock phase $\phi+90$ to remove ripple due to chopping. The second gain stage 760 is used to boost the gain of the DC path and to further reduce the offset from the un-chopped feed-forward gain stage 780. In some examples, the first gain stage 722 and the feed-forward gain stage 780 use differential input transistor pairs that are interpolated (as described in FIGS. 5 and 6) at the same time to achieve a target gain adjustment. The third gain stage 792 is an output stage for the differential amplifier circuitry 700. In the example of FIG. 7, gain adjustments are achieved using a combination of resistor tap selection, coarse gain trim selection, and fine gain trim selection integrated into a chopper amplifier. With the example of FIG. 7, gain adjustments are possible over a wide range with high resolution reduce gain error while also minimizing amplifier offset error, offset temperature drift and reduced noise.

[0076] FIG. 8 is a flowchart showing an example gain trim control method 800. The gain trim control method 800 may be performed by control logic of the gain trim circuitry 138 in FIG. 1, control logic of the gain trim circuitry 238 in FIG. 2, the trim controller 320 in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the trim controller 450 in FIG. 4, or control logic 790 in FIG. 7. As shown, the gain trim control method 800 includes receiving control inputs at block 802. At block 804, a gain setting is determined based on the control inputs. At block 806, a setting of coarse gain trim circuitry is adjusted responsive to the gain setting. At block 808, a setting of fine gain trim circuitry is adjusted responsive to the gain setting. In some examples, the operations of block 808 may be performed the operations of block 806. As another option, the operations of blocks 806 and 808 may be performed together or simultaneously. In some examples, the control inputs include a user input and/or gain setting based on programmed or monitored parameters (e.g., an input signal range, a temperature, and/or other monitored parameters). In some examples, differential amplifier circuitry is initially programmed based on room temperature based codes to set the device to have predetermined gain (e.g., 50) at room temperature ($\sim 30^\circ\text{C}$). In some examples, the gain trim control method 800 may include

selecting a particular resistor tap code, selecting thermometer code for coarse gain trim adjustment, and selecting a binary code for fine gain trim adjustment. In some examples, the resistor tap code, the thermometer code, and the binary code are converted to respective switch control signals. In some examples, gain trim operations are implemented to have the least possible disturbance at the output of differential amplifier circuitry. Also, gain trim operations are monotonic (each code has a defined output gain and no two codes will give same gain).

[0077] In some examples, an integrated circuit includes differential amplifier circuitry (e.g., the differential amplifier circuitry **130** in FIG. 1, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** in FIG. 2, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** in FIG. 3A, the differential amplifier circuitry **350** in FIG. 3B, the differential amplifier circuitry **430** in FIG. 4, or the differential amplifier circuitry **700** in FIG. 7). The differential amplifier circuitry includes first gain trim circuitry (e.g., the first input transistor pairs control circuitry **470** in FIG. 4, or the first and second switch networks **504A** and **504B** in FIG. 5); and second gain trim circuitry (e.g., the second input transistor pairs control circuitry **474** in FIG. 4, or the third and fourth switch networks **602A** and **602B** in FIG. 5). The first gain trim circuitry has a first gain trim input (e.g., the terminal **472** in FIG. 4, or related terminals in FIG. 5) and includes a first differential input transistor pair (e.g., one of the differential input transistor pairs **A1/A2** to **O1/O2** in FIG. 5) and a second differential input transistor pair (e.g., another of the differential input transistor pairs **A1/A2** to **O1/O2** in FIG. 5). The second gain trim circuitry has a second gain trim input (e.g., the terminal **476** in FIG. 4, or related terminals in FIG. 6) and includes a third differential input transistor pair (e.g., one of the differential input transistor pairs **P1/P2** to **T1/T2** in FIG. 6) and a fourth differential input transistor pair (e.g., another of the differential input transistor pairs **P1/P2** to **T1/T2** in FIG. 6). The differential amplifier circuitry also includes control logic (e.g., the trim controller **320** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the trim controller **450** in FIG. 4, or the control logic **790** in FIG. 7) having a first gain trim output (e.g., the second terminal **324** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the fourth terminal **458** in FIG. 4, one of the first terminals **791A** in FIG. 7) and a second gain trim output (e.g., the third terminal **326** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the fifth terminal **460** in FIG. 4, one of the first terminals **791A** in FIG. 7). The first gain trim output is coupled to the first gain trim input. The second gain trim output is coupled to the second gain trim input.

[0078] In some examples, each transistor of the first and second differential input transistor pairs has the same W/L ratio. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes a first current source (e.g., one of the current sources **CSA** to **CSO** in FIG. 5) and a second current source (e.g., another of the current sources **CSA** to **CSO** in FIG. 5). In such examples, the first current source is coupled to the first differential input transistor pair, the second current source is coupled to the second differential input transistor pair, and the first and second current sources are configured to provide the same current level.

[0079] In some examples, each transistor of the third differential input transistor pair has a first W/L ratio, and each transistor of the fourth differential input transistor pair has a second W/L ratio that is less than the first W/L ratio. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes a current source (e.g., the current source **CSP** in

FIG. 6) coupled to the third differential input transistor pair and the fourth differential input transistor pair.

[0080] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes resistive networks (e.g., the resistors in FIG. 3A, the first and second resistive networks **332** and **336** in FIG. 3B, the resistive networks **464** in FIG. 4, the first and second resistive networks **502A** and **502B** in FIG. 5 to 7). The first gain trim circuitry includes first selection circuitry (e.g., the first and second switch networks **504A** and **504B** in FIG. 5) coupled between the resistive networks and the first and second differential input transistor pairs. The second gain trim circuitry includes second selection circuitry (e.g., the third and fourth switch networks **602A** and **602B** in FIG. 6) coupled between the resistive networks and the third and fourth differential input transistor pairs. The first selection circuitry has a first control input (e.g., the terminal **472** in FIG. 4, or related terminals in FIG. 5 to receive the control signal **CS5**). The second selection circuitry has a second control input (e.g., the terminal **476** in FIG. 4, or related terminals in FIG. 6 to receive the control signal **CS6**). The first gain trim output is coupled to the first control input. The second gain trim output is coupled to the second control input.

[0081] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes a first gain stage (e.g., the first gain stage **722** in FIG. 7), cross-coupled switches before and after the first gain stage (e.g., the first, second, and third cross-coupled switches **702**, **712**, and **740** in FIG. 7), and a feed-forward gain stage (e.g., the feed-forward gain stage **780** in FIG. 7). The first gain stage includes the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry (e.g., the first and second gain trim circuitry represented by the gain trim circuitry **738** in FIG. 7). The feed-forward gain stage includes third gain trim circuitry and fourth gain trim circuitry (e.g., the third and fourth gain trim circuitry represented by the gain trim circuitry **788** in FIG. 7). The third gain trim circuitry has a third gain trim input (e.g., the same topology as described for the first gain trim circuitry). The fourth gain trim circuitry having a fourth gain trim input (e.g., the same topology as the second gain trim circuitry). The control logic has a third gain trim output and a fourth gain trim output (e.g., part of the first terminals **791A** in FIG. 7). The third gain trim output is coupled to the third gain trim input. The fourth gain trim output is coupled to the fourth gain trim input.

[0082] In some examples, the first gain stage includes first input terminals (e.g., the first and second terminals **724** and **726** in FIG. 7), second input terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **728** and **730** in FIG. 7), and first output terminals (e.g., the fifth and sixth terminals **732** and **734**). The cross-coupled switches includes first cross-coupled switches (e.g., the first cross-coupled switches **702** in FIG. 7) with second output terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **708** and **710** in FIG. 7), second cross-coupled switches (e.g., the second cross-coupled switches **712** in FIG. 7) with third output terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **718** and **720** in FIG. 7), and third cross-coupled switches (e.g., the third cross-coupled switches **740** in FIG. 7) with third input terminals (e.g., the first and second terminals **742** and **744** in FIG. 7). In such examples, the second output terminals of the first cross-coupling switches are coupled to the first input terminals of the first gain stage. The third output terminals of the second cross-coupled switches are coupled to the second input terminals of the first

gain stage. The third input terminals of the third cross-coupled switches are coupled to the first output terminals of the first gain stage.

[0083] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes a notch filter (e.g., the notch filter **750** in FIG. 7), a second gain stage (e.g., the second gain stage **760** in FIG. 7), and a third gain stage (e.g., the third gain stage **792** in FIG. 7). In such examples, the notch filter is configured to filter an output signal from the third cross-coupled switches resulting in a filtered signal. The second gain stage is configured to apply a gain to the filtered signal resulting in an adjusted filtered result. The third gain stage configured to apply a gain to a combination of the adjusted filtered result and an output of the feed-forward gain stage.

[0084] In some examples, the control logic is configured to: obtain a first digital code (e.g., the 1st trim code in Table 1); obtain a second digital code (e.g., the 2nd trim code in Table 1); generate a first control signal (e.g., the control signal CS5 herein) at the first gain trim output responsive to the first digital code; and generate a second control (e.g., the control signal CS6 herein) signal at the second gain trim output responsive to the second digital code.

[0085] In some examples, a differential amplifier circuit (e.g., the differential amplifier circuitry **130** in FIG. 1, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** in FIG. 2, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** in FIG. 3A, the differential amplifier circuitry **350** in FIG. 3B, the differential amplifier circuitry **430** in FIG. 4, or the different amplifier circuitry **700** in FIG. 7) includes: first differential input transistor pairs (e.g., the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 in FIG. 5); second differential input transistor pairs (e.g., the differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 in FIG. 6); resistive networks (e.g., the resistors in FIG. 3A, the first and second resistive networks **332** and **336** in FIG. 3B, the resistive networks **464** in FIG. 4, the first and second resistive networks **502A** and **502B** in FIG. 5 to 7); first selection circuitry (e.g., the first input transistor pairs control circuitry **470** in FIG. 4, or first and second switch networks **504A** and **504B** in FIG. 5) having a first control input (e.g., the terminal **472** in FIG. 4, or related terminals to receive the control signal CS5 in FIG. 5). The first selection circuitry is coupled between the resistive networks and the first differential input transistor pairs. The different amplifier circuitry also includes second selection circuitry (e.g., the second input transistor pairs control circuitry **474** in FIG. 4) having a second control input (e.g., the terminal **476** in FIG. 4, or related terminals to receive the control signal CS6 in FIG. 6). The second selection circuitry is coupled between the resistive networks and the second differential input transistor pairs. The different amplifier circuitry also includes control logic (e.g., the trim controller **320** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the trim controller **450** in FIG. 4, or the control logic **790** in FIG. 7). The control logic has a first gain trim output (e.g., the second terminal **324** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the fourth terminal **458** in FIG. 4, or one of the first terminals **791A** in FIG. 7) and a second gain trim output (e.g., the third terminal **326** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the fifth terminal **460** in FIG. 4, or one of the first terminals **791A** in FIG. 7). The first gain trim output is coupled to the first control input. The second gain trim output coupled to the second control input.

[0086] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuit includes a respective current source (e.g., the current sources CSA to CSO in FIG. 5) coupled to each differential input transistor pair of the first differential input transistor pairs. In

such examples, each differential input transistor pair in the first differential input transistor pairs includes transistors with the same W/L ratio, and each respective current source is configured to provide the same current level.

[0087] In some examples, the differential amplifier circuit includes a current source (e.g., the current source CSP in FIG. 6) coupled to each differential input transistor pair of the second differential input transistor pairs. In such examples, each differential input transistor pair in the second differential input transistor pairs includes transistors with different W/L ratio.

[0088] In some examples, the first differential input transistor pairs, the second differential input transistor pairs, the resistive networks, the first selection circuitry, and the second selection circuitry are part of first gain stage (e.g., the first gain stage **722** in FIG. 7), the resistive networks are first resistive networks, and the differential amplifier circuit further comprises a feed-forward gain stage (e.g., feed-forward gain stage **780** in FIG. 7) including: third differential input transistor pairs (e.g., additional differential input transistor pairs having the topology as the differential input transistor pairs A1/A2 to O1/O2 in FIG. 5); fourth differential input transistor pairs (e.g., additional differential input transistor pairs having the same topology the differential input transistor pairs P1/P2 to T1/T2 as in FIG. 6); second resistive networks (e.g., additional resistive networks having the same topology as the resistors or resistive networks in FIGS. 3A, 3B, and 5 to 7); and third selection circuitry (e.g., another first input transistor pairs control circuitry **470** as in FIG. 4, or additional first and second switch networks **504A** and **504B** as in FIG. 5). The third selection circuitry has a third control input (e.g., another terminal **472** as in FIG. 4, or related terminals to receive the control signal CS5 as in FIG. 5) coupled to the first gain trim output. The third selection circuitry is coupled between the second resistive networks and the third differential input transistor pairs. The feed-forward gain stage also includes fourth selection circuitry (e.g., another second input transistor pairs control circuitry **474** as in FIG. 4, or additional third and fourth switch networks **602A** and **602B** as in FIG. 6). The fourth selection circuitry has a fourth control input (e.g., another terminal **476** as in FIG. 4, or related terminals to receive the control signal CS5 as in FIG. 5) coupled to the second gain trim output. The fourth selection circuitry is coupled between the second resistive networks and the fourth differential input transistor pairs.

[0089] In some examples, the first gain stage includes first input terminals (e.g., the first and second terminals **724** and **726** in FIG. 7), second input terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **728** and **730** in FIG. 7), and first output terminals (e.g., the fifth and sixth terminals **732** and **734**). In such examples, the differential amplifier circuitry includes first cross-coupled switches (e.g., the first cross-coupled switches **702** in FIG. 7) with second output terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **708** and **710** in FIG. 7), second cross-coupled switches (e.g., the second cross-coupled switches **712** in FIG. 7) with third output terminals (e.g., the third and fourth terminals **718** and **720** in FIG. 7), and third cross-coupled switches (e.g., the third cross-coupled switches **740** in FIG. 7) with third input terminals (e.g., the first and second terminals **742** and **744** in FIG. 7). In such examples, the second output terminals of the first cross-coupling switches may be coupled to the first input terminals of the first gain stage. The third output terminals of the

second cross-coupled switches may be coupled to the second input terminals of the first gain stage. The third input terminals of the third cross-coupled switches may be coupled to the first output terminals of the first gain stage. In some examples, the differential amplifier circuitry also includes a notch filter (e.g., the notch filter **750** in FIG. 7), a second gain stage (e.g., the second gain stage **760** in FIG. 7), and a third gain stage (e.g., the third gain stage **792** in FIG. 7). In such examples, the notch filter is configured to filter an output signal from the third cross-coupled switches resulting in a filtered signal. The second gain stage is configured to apply a gain to the filtered signal resulting in an adjusted filtered result. The third gain stage configured to apply a gain to a combination of the adjusted filtered result and an output of the feed-forward gain stage.

[0090] In some examples, an apparatus (e.g., system **100** in FIG. 1, system **200** in FIG. 2, or related ICs **120** or **220** herein) include differential amplifier circuitry (e.g., the differential amplifier circuitry **130** in FIG. 1, the differential amplifier circuitry **230** in FIG. 2, the differential amplifier circuitry **300** in FIG. 3A, the differential amplifier circuitry **350** in FIG. 3B, the differential amplifier circuitry **430** in FIG. 4, or the differential amplifier circuitry **700** in FIG. 7). The differential amplifier circuitry includes first gain trim circuitry (e.g., the first input transistor pairs control circuitry **470** in FIG. 4, or the first and second switch networks **504A** and **504B** in FIG. 5); second gain trim circuitry (e.g., the second input transistor pairs control circuitry **474** in FIG. 4, or the third and fourth switch networks **602A** and **602B** in FIG. 5); and control logic (e.g., the trim controller **320** in FIGS. 3A and 3B, the trim controller **450** in FIG. 4, or the control logic **790** in FIG. 7) coupled to the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry. The control logic is configured to: receive control inputs (e.g., IN_P as in FIG. 3A, 3B, or 4); determine a gain setting (e.g., one of the gain codes in Table 1) based on the control inputs; adjust a setting (e.g., by application of the control signal CS5) of the first gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting; and adjust a setting (e.g., by application of the control signal CS6) of the second gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting.

[0091] In some examples, the control inputs include a gain setting selected by a user. In some examples, the control inputs include a temperature. In some examples, the apparatus includes: a device (e.g., the device **102** in FIG. 1, or the electrical device **202** in FIG. 2) coupled to the differential amplifier circuitry; and a controller (e.g., the controller **140** in FIG. 1, or the controller **240** in FIG. 2), coupled to the differential amplifier circuitry and the device. The device is configured to: receive a control signal (e.g., the control signal CS1 in FIG. 1, or the control signal CS2 in FIG. 2) from the controller; perform operations responsive to the control signal; and provide a sense signal (e.g., voltage or current sense signal at the first terminal **104** and/or the second terminal **106** in FIG. 1, or at the first terminal **204** and/or second terminal **206** in FIG. 2). The differential amplifier circuitry is configured to: receive the sense signal; and provide an amplified sense signal (e.g., S1_ISNS in FIG. 1, S2_ISNS in FIG. 2) responsive to the setting of the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry. The controller is configured to: receive the amplified sense signal; and provide the control signal responsive to the amplified sense signal. In different examples, the device of the apparatus may be a motor, a sensor, or another device.

[0092] In this description, the term “couple” may cover connections, communications, or signal paths that enable a functional relationship consistent with this description. For example, if device A generates a signal to control device B to perform an action: (a) in a first example, device A is coupled to device B by direct connection; or (b) in a second example, device A is coupled to device B through intervening component C if intervening component C does not alter the functional relationship between device A and device B, such that device B is controlled by device A via the control signal generated by device A.

[0093] Also, in this description, the recitation “based on” means “based at least in part on.” Therefore, if X is based on Y, then X may be a function of Y and any number of other factors.

[0094] A device “configured to” perform a task or function may be configured (e.g., programmed and/or hardwired) at a time of manufacturing by a manufacturer to perform the function and/or may be configurable (or reconfigurable) by a user after manufacturing to perform the function and/or other additional or alternative functions. The configuring may be through firmware and/or software programming of the device, through a construction and/or layout of hardware components and interconnections of the device, or a combination thereof.

[0095] As used herein, the terms “terminal”, “node”, “interconnection”, “pin” and “lead” are used interchangeably. Unless specifically stated to the contrary, these terms are generally used to mean an interconnection between or a terminus of a device element, a circuit element, an integrated circuit, a device or other electronics or semiconductor component and/or a conductor.

[0096] A circuit or device described herein as including certain components may instead be adapted to be coupled to those components to form the described circuitry or device. For example, a structure described as including one or more semiconductor elements (such as transistors), one or more passive elements (such as resistors, capacitors, and/or inductors), and/or one or more sources (such as voltage and/or current sources) may instead include only the semiconductor elements within a single physical device (e.g., a semiconductor die and/or integrated circuit package) and may be adapted to be coupled to at least some of the passive elements and/or the sources to form the described structure either at a time of manufacture or after a time of manufacture, for example, by an end-user and/or a third-party.

[0097] While the use of particular transistors is described herein, other transistors (or equivalent devices) may be used instead with little or no change to the remaining circuitry. For example, a field-effect transistor (“FET”) such as an NFET or a PFET, a bipolar junction transistor (BJT—e.g., NPN transistor or PNP transistor), an insulated gate bipolar transistor (IGBT), and/or a junction field effect transistor (JFET) may be used in place of or in conjunction with the devices described herein. The transistors may be depletion mode devices, drain-extended devices, enhancement mode devices, natural transistors or other types of device structure transistors. Furthermore, the devices may be implemented in/on a silicon substrate (Si), a silicon carbide substrate (SiC), a gallium nitride substrate (GaN) or a gallium arsenide substrate (GaAs).

[0098] References may be made in the claims to a transistor’s control terminal and its first and second terminals. In the context of a FET, the control terminal is the gate, and the

first and second terminals are the drain and source. In the context of a BJT, the control terminal is the base, and the first and second terminals are the collector and emitter.

[0099] References herein to a FET being “ON” means that the conduction channel of the FET is present and drain current may flow through the FET. References herein to a FET being “OFF” means that the conduction channel is not present so drain current does not flow through the FET. An “OFF” FET, however, may have current flowing through the transistor’s body-diode.

[0100] Circuits described herein are reconfigurable to include additional or different components to provide functionality at least partially similar to functionality available prior to the component replacement. Components shown as resistors, unless otherwise stated, are generally representative of any one or more elements coupled in series and/or parallel to provide an amount of impedance represented by the resistor shown. For example, a resistor or capacitor shown and described herein as a single component may instead be multiple resistors or capacitors, respectively, coupled in parallel between the same nodes. For example, a resistor or capacitor shown and described herein as a single component may instead be multiple resistors or capacitors, respectively, coupled in series between the same two nodes as the single resistor or capacitor.

[0101] While certain elements of the described examples are included in an integrated circuit and other elements are external to the integrated circuit, in other examples, additional or fewer features may be incorporated into the integrated circuit. In addition, some or all of the features illustrated as being external to the integrated circuit may be included in the integrated circuit and/or some features illustrated as being internal to the integrated circuit may be incorporated outside of the integrated circuit. As used herein, the term “integrated circuit” means one or more circuits that are: (i) incorporated in/over a semiconductor substrate; (ii) incorporated in a single semiconductor package; (iii) incorporated into the same module; and/or (iv) incorporated in/on the same printed circuit board.

[0102] Uses of the phrase “ground” in the foregoing description include a chassis ground, an Earth ground, a floating ground, a virtual ground, a digital ground, a common ground, and/or any other form of ground connection applicable to, or suitable for, the teachings of this description. In this description, unless otherwise stated, “about,” “approximately” or “substantially” preceding a parameter means being within ± 10 percent of that parameter or, if the parameter is zero, a reasonable range of values around zero.

[0103] Modifications are possible in the described examples, and other examples are possible, within the scope of the claims.

1. An integrated circuit comprising:

differential amplifier circuitry including:

first gain trim circuitry having a first gain trim input, the first gain trim circuitry including a first differential input transistor pair and a second differential input transistor pair;

second gain trim circuitry having a second gain trim input, the second gain trim circuitry including a third differential input transistor pair and a fourth differential input transistor pair; and

control logic having a first gain trim output and a second gain trim output, the first gain trim output

coupled to the first gain trim input, and the second gain trim output coupled to the second gain trim input.

2. The integrated circuit of claim 1, wherein each transistor of the first and second differential input transistor pairs has the same width-to-length (W/L) ratio.

3. The integrated circuit of claim 2, wherein the differential amplifier circuitry includes a first current source and a second current source, the first current source coupled to the first differential input transistor pair, the second current source coupled to the second differential input transistor pair, and the first and second current sources configured to provide the same current level.

4. The integrated circuit of claim 1, wherein each transistor of the third differential input transistor pair has a first width-to-length (W/L) ratio, and each transistor of the fourth differential input transistor pair has a second W/L ratio that is less than the first W/L ratio.

5. The integrated circuit of claim 4, wherein the differential amplifier circuitry includes a current source coupled to the third differential input transistor pair and the fourth differential input transistor pair.

6. The integrated circuit of claim 4, wherein the differential amplifier circuitry includes resistive networks, the first gain trim circuitry includes first selection circuitry coupled between the resistive networks and the first and second differential input transistor pairs, the second gain trim circuitry includes second selection circuitry coupled between the resistive networks and the third and fourth differential input transistor pairs, the first selection circuitry having a first control input, the second selection circuitry having a second control input, the first gain trim output coupled to the first control input, and the second gain trim output coupled to the second control input.

7. The integrated circuit of claim 1, wherein the differential amplifier circuitry includes a first gain stage, cross-coupled switches before and after the first gain stage, and a feed-forward gain stage, the first gain stage including the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry, and the feed-forward gain stage including third gain trim circuitry and fourth gain trim circuitry, the third gain trim circuitry having a third gain trim input, the fourth gain trim circuitry having a fourth gain trim input, the control logic having a third gain trim output and a fourth gain trim output, the third gain trim output coupled to the third gain trim input, and the fourth gain trim output coupled to the fourth gain trim input.

8. The integrated circuit of claim 7, wherein the first gain stage includes first input terminals, second input terminals, and first output terminals, the cross-coupled switches includes first cross-coupled switches with second output terminals, second cross-coupled switches with third output terminals, and third cross-coupled switches with third input terminals, the second output terminals of the first cross-coupling switches coupled to the first input terminals of the first gain stage, the third output terminals of the second cross-coupled switches coupled to the second input terminals of the first gain stage, and the third input terminals of the third cross-coupled switches coupled to the first output terminals of the first gain stage.

9. The integrated circuit of claim 8, wherein the differential amplifier circuitry includes a notch filter, a second gain stage, and a third gain stage, the notch filter configured to filter an output signal from the third cross-coupled

switches resulting in a filtered signal, the second gain stage configured to apply a gain to the filtered signal resulting in an adjusted filtered result, and the third gain stage configured to apply a gain to a combination of the adjusted filtered result and an output of the feed-forward gain stage.

10. The integrated circuit of claim **8**, wherein the control logic is configured to:

- obtain a first digital code;
- obtain a second digital code;
- generate a first control signal at the first gain trim output responsive to the first digital code; and
- generate a second control signal at the second gain trim output responsive to the second digital code.

11. A differential amplifier circuit comprising:

- first differential input transistor pairs;
- second differential input transistor pairs;
- resistive networks;
- first selection circuitry having a first control input, the first selection circuitry coupled between the resistive networks and the first differential input transistor pairs;
- second selection circuitry having a second control input, the second selection circuitry coupled between the resistive networks and the second differential input transistor pairs; and
- control logic having a first gain trim output and a second gain trim output, the first gain trim output coupled to the first control input, and the second gain trim output coupled to the second control input.

12. The differential amplifier circuit of claim **11**, further comprising a respective current source coupled to each differential input transistor pair of the first differential input transistor pairs, wherein each differential input transistor pair in the first differential input transistor pairs includes transistors with the same width-to-length (W/L) ratio, and each respective current source is configured to provide the same current level.

13. The differential amplifier circuit of claim **11**, further comprising a current source coupled to each differential input transistor pair of the second differential input transistor pairs, wherein each differential input transistor pair in the second differential input transistor pairs includes transistors with different width-to-length (W/L) ratio.

14. The differential amplifier circuit of claim **11**, wherein the first differential input transistor pairs, the second differential input transistor pairs, the resistive networks, the first selection circuitry, and the second selection circuitry are part of first gain stage, the resistive networks are first resistive networks, and the differential amplifier circuit further comprises a feed-forward gain stage including:

- third differential input transistor pairs;
- fourth differential input transistor pairs;
- second resistive networks;
- third selection circuitry having a third control input coupled to the first gain trim output, the third selection circuitry coupled between the second resistive networks and the third differential input transistor pairs;

and

fourth selection circuitry having a fourth control input coupled to the second gain trim output, the fourth selection circuitry coupled between the second resistive networks and the fourth differential input transistor pairs.

15. The differential amplifier circuit of claim **14**, wherein the first gain stage includes first input terminals, second input terminals, and first output terminals, the differential amplifier circuit further comprising first cross-coupled switches having second output terminals, second cross-coupled switches having third output terminals, and third cross-coupled switches having third input terminals, a notch filter, a second gain stage, and a third gain stage, the notch filter configured to filter an output signal from the third cross-coupled switches resulting in a filtered result, the second gain stage is configured to apply a gain to the second output signal resulting in an adjusted filtered result, and the third gain stage is configured to apply a gain to a combination of the adjusted filtered result and an output of the feed-forward gain stage.

16. An apparatus comprising:

- differential amplifier circuitry including:
 - first gain trim circuitry;
 - second gain trim circuitry; and
 - control logic coupled to the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry, the control logic configured to:
 - receive control inputs;
 - determine a gain setting based on the control inputs;
 - adjust a setting of the first gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting; and
 - adjust a setting of the second gain trim circuitry responsive to the gain setting.

17. The apparatus of claim **16**, wherein the control inputs include a gain setting selected by a user.

18. The apparatus of claim **16**, wherein the control inputs include a temperature.

19. The apparatus of claim **16**, further comprising: a device coupled to the differential amplifier circuitry; and a controller coupled to the differential amplifier circuitry and the device,

the device configured to:

- receive a control signal from the controller;
- perform operations responsive to the control signal; and
- provide a sense signal,

the differential amplifier circuitry configured to:

- receive the sense signal; and
- provide an amplified sense signal responsive to the setting of the first gain trim circuitry and the second gain trim circuitry, and

the controller configured to:

- receive the amplified sense signal; and
- provide the control signal responsive to the amplified sense signal.

20. The apparatus of claim **19**, wherein the device is a motor.

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