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# A New Zero Power Method for Balancing Supercapacitors



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## SAB™ MOSFETs

- Automatically turns ON and OFF
- Near Zero Leakage turns
- Operating At , Above and Below Threshold Voltage
- Active Always ON
- Fast Dynamic Response



## ALD EPAD<sup>®</sup> Technology

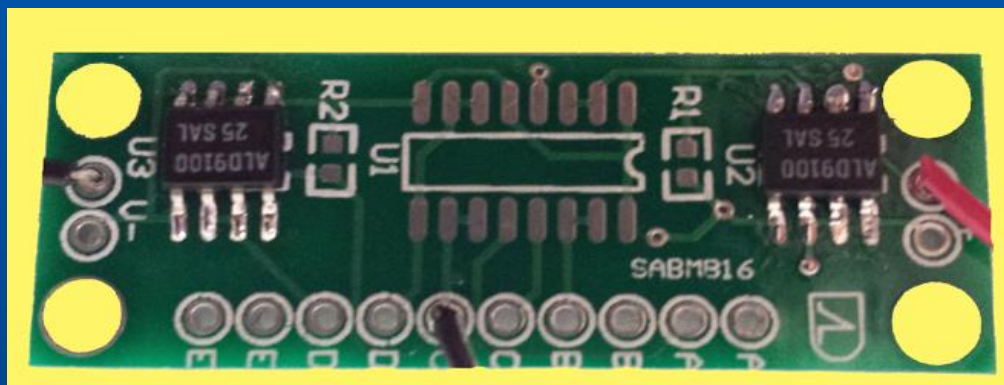
- Patented and Trademarked
- Precision on-chip trimming and calibration technology
- Incorporates Floating-gate MOSFET transistors
- Precision and ultra low operating voltages
- Proven EPAD<sup>®</sup> manufacturing technology
- 20 Year evolution in technology and manufacturing
- Millions of EPAD<sup>®</sup> enabled circuits shipped to date





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## A plug and play PCB solution for automatically balancing supercapacitors



**Actual board size  
0.6 x 1.6 inches**

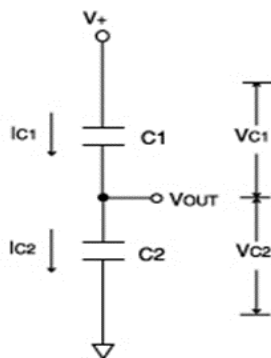


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# Benefits of MOSFET Balancing

## Scenario 1:



- *Power Supply  $V_+ = 4.6V$*
- *If  $I_{C1} = I_{C2}$*
- *$V_{OUT} = V_+ / 2 = 2.30V$*
- *Each Supercapacitor = 2.7V max. rating*

## Scenario 2:

- *If  $I_{C1} > I_{C2}$*
- *$V_{OUT}$  rises until  $I_{C1} = I_{C2}$*
- *If  $V_{C2} = V_{OUT} > 2.7V$ , then  $C2$  is damaged due to over voltage*

## Scenario 3:

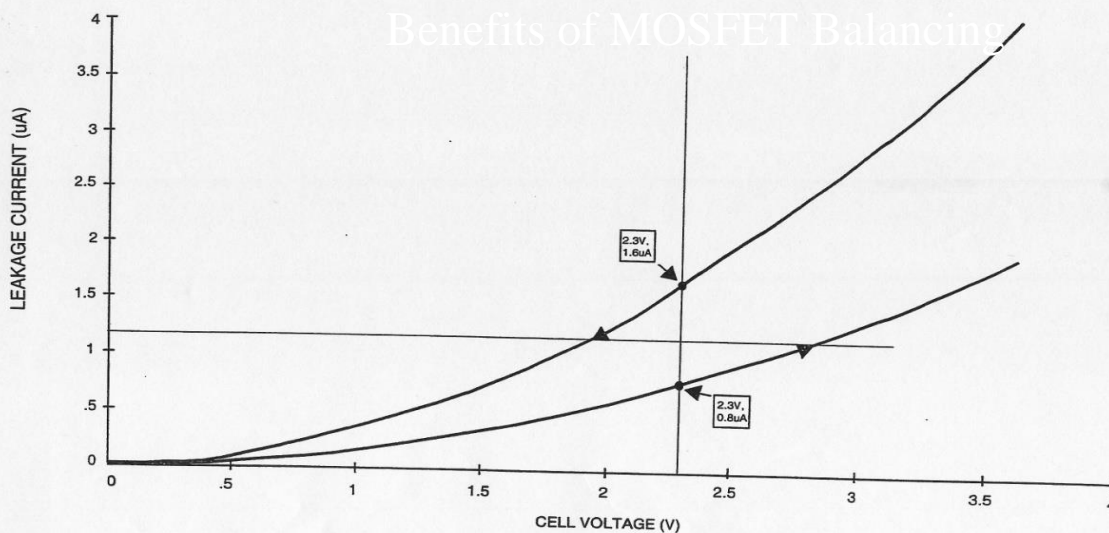
- *If  $I_{C2} > I_{C1}$*
- *$V_{OUT}$  drops until  $I_{C1} = I_{C2}$*
- *If  $V_{C1} (V_+ - V_{OUT}) > 2.7V$ ,  $C1$  is damaged due to over-voltage*
- *Total leakage current equals  $I_{C2}$*





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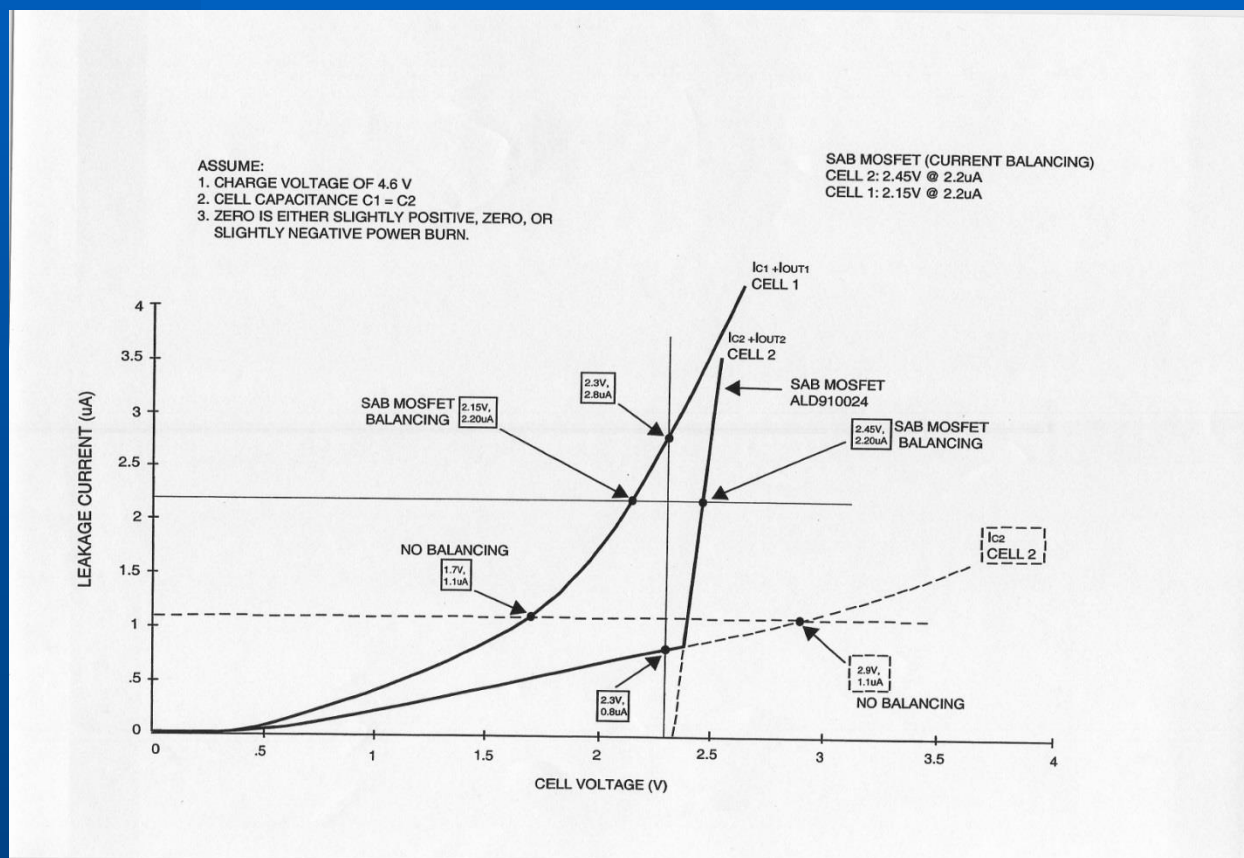
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Two supercapacitors connected in series balanced using a MOSFET chip.

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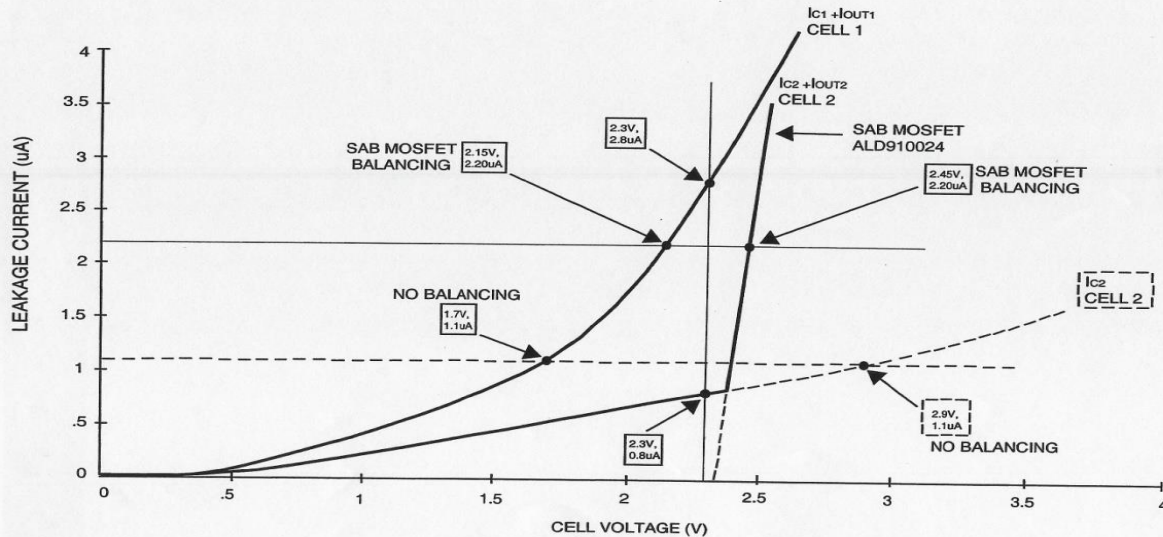


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# MOSFET vs OPAMP Balancing

- ASSUME:  
1. CHARGE VOLTAGE OF 4.6 V  
2. CELL CAPACITANCE  $C1 = C2$   
3. ZERO IS EITHER SLIGHTLY POSITIVE, ZERO, OR SLIGHTLY NEGATIVE POWER BURN.

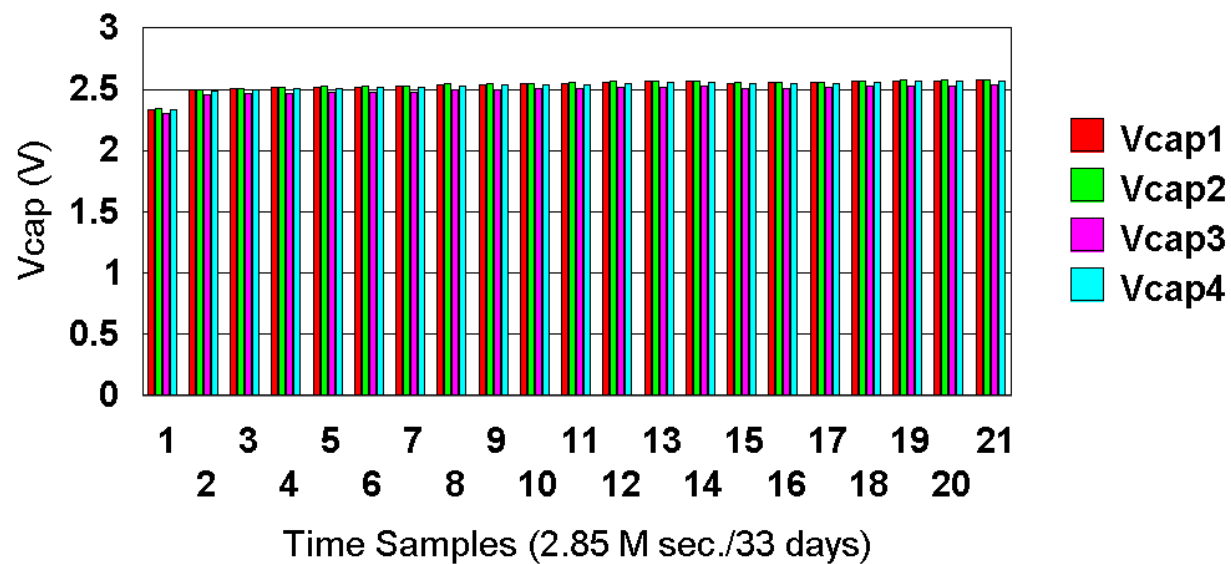
SAB MOSFET (CURRENT BALANCING)  
CELL 2: 2.45V @ 2.2uA  
CELL 1: 2.15V @ 2.2uA







### 4 Supercaps in Series with 4 SAB MOSFETs



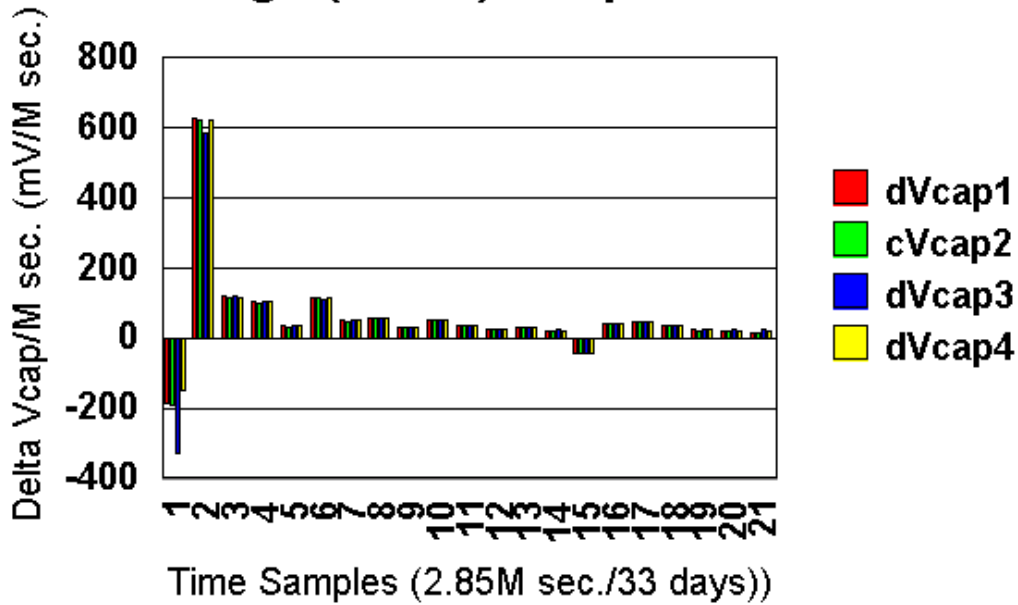
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### Change (Delta) Vcap /M sec.



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