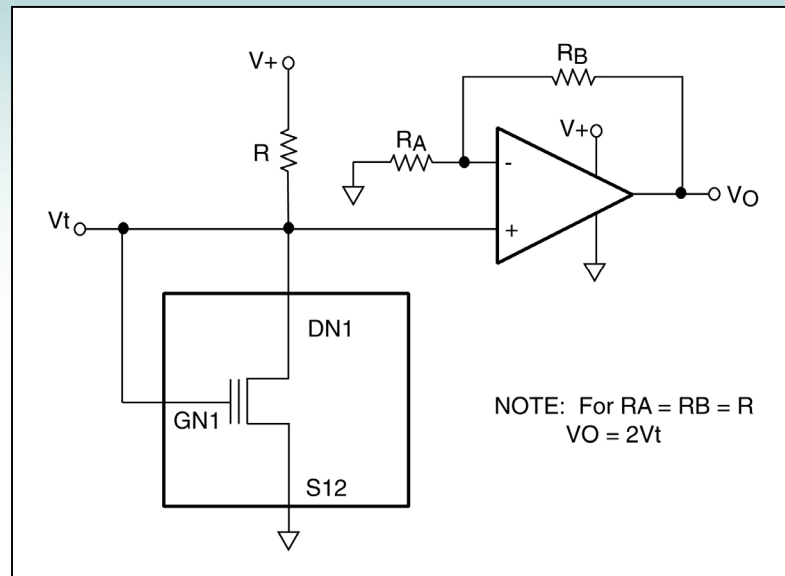




**Diode-Connected (EPAD®) MOSFET with Buffer Amplifier Output**



**Description**

This circuit is a diode-connected EPAD MOSFET with buffer amplifier set up in the non-inverting amplifier configuration.  $V_O$  is equal to  $V_T$  multiplied by the gain  $G=1+R_B/R_A$ . The drain DN1 of the EPAD MOSFET is shorted to the gate terminal GN1. When connected in this manner, this circuit produces a drain current  $I_{ds}$  that flows through the MOSFET which increases exponentially with increases of  $V_O$ , with  $I_{ds}$  versus  $V_O$  characteristics similar to that of a forward biased diode.  $V_O$  is set by the selection of bias resistor  $R$  and the specific EPAD MOSFET part number. At a voltage about 55mV above threshold voltage of the EPAD MOSFET, or at 68 $\mu$ A  $I_{ds}$ , the  $V_O$  tends to be temperature stable. At other voltage or current levels, the tempco changes from positive to zero to negative as a function of drain current. This tempco characteristic is determined by appropriate selection of resistor value of  $R$ .

**Recommended Components**

¼ ALD1108xx, ½ ALD1109xx, or any of the EPAD MOSFETs

**Other Related Circuit Ideas**

[Schematic no. fet\\_11100.0](#) Basic MOSFET/EPAD MOSFET Inverter Circuit

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