

Project Name

Application Note #016

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[MiDAS1.x/MiDAS2.x] Characteristics of CORERIVER's ADC

In case of a series resistor at the input channel

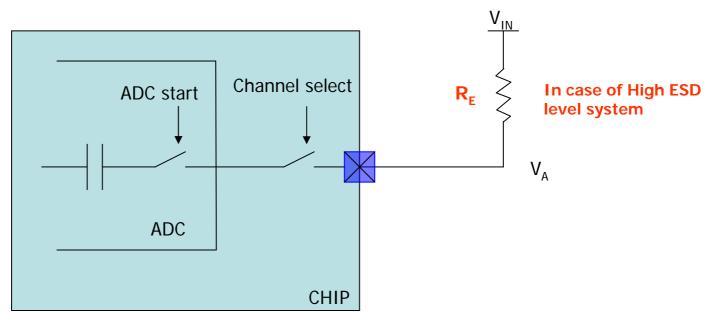
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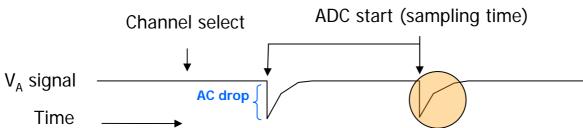
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1. Input stage of ADC and it's results





AC drop: When ADC start signal is enabled, V_A node is dropped abruptly

because of a internal resistors and capacitors.

Its state will be recovered in a short time

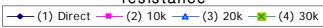
Sampling time: That moment, if the sampling is done early, the output will not have a right value.

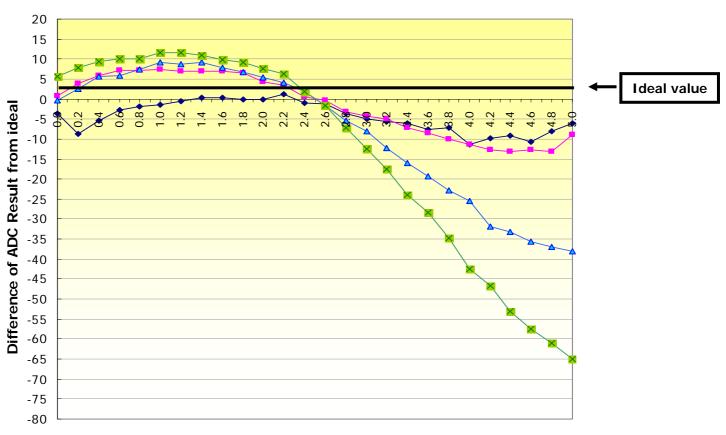


2. ADC output value by the series resistor

◆ ADC output values by the series resistance





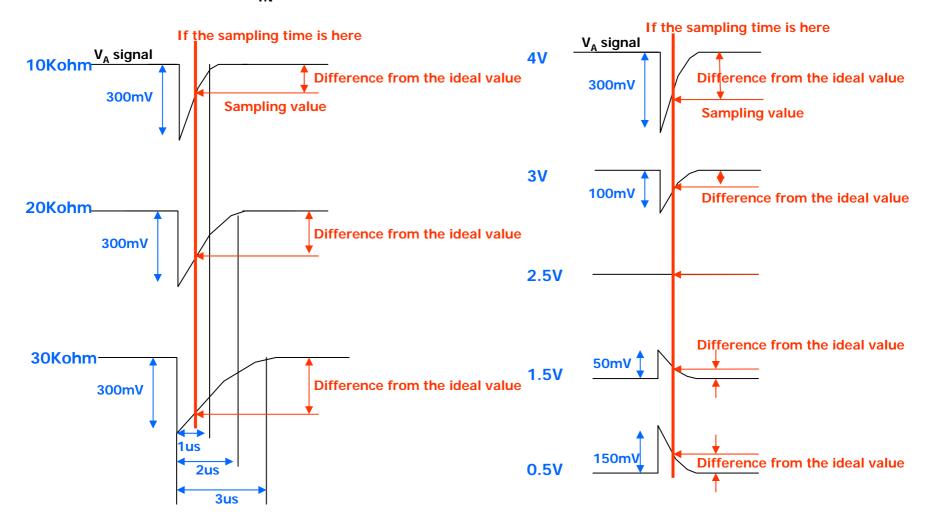


ADC Input Voltage [V]



2.1. Experiments and Analysis

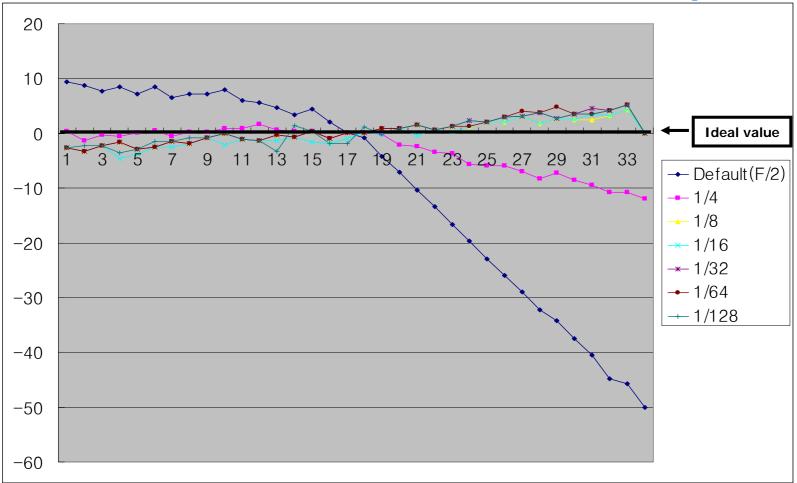
- Difference of ADC input value by the series resistance (@A_{IN}= 4V)
- Difference of ADC input value by the input voltage (@R_E = 30Kohm)



3. ADC output value by ADC sampling frequency

- Difference ADC output value according to ADC sampling frequency (F=11MHz)
 - ✓ Divide ratio is over (1/8)F, output value is almost same to the ideal value

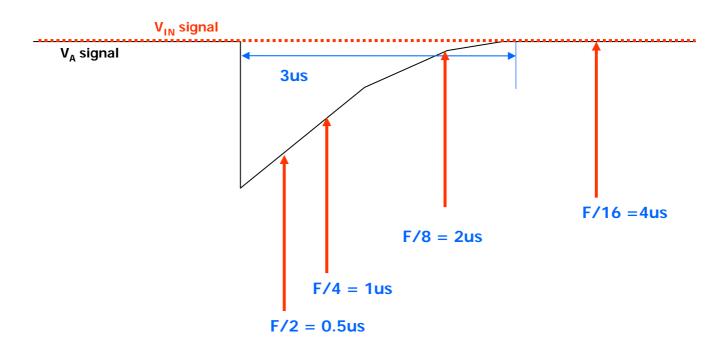
 $R_F = 30Kohm$





3-1. Experiments and Analysis

ADC sampling point by ADC sampling time



- ✓ If it is a higher divide ratio, the sampling point is closer to the input signal (V_{IN}) .
- ✓ Over the divide ratio of F/8, the results is almost same.
- √ lower Frequency, better result.
- ✓ lower resistor, better result.



3-2. Relationship of resistance and frequency

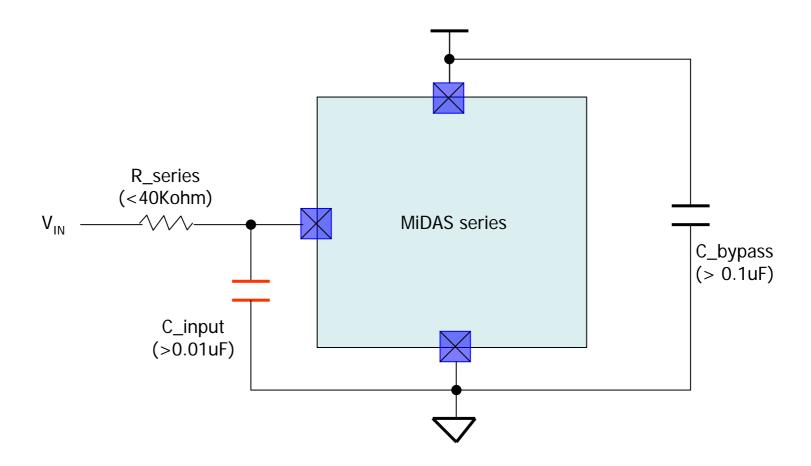
Relationship of the series resistance and the sampling frequency

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If, Re=10Kohm, then, recovery time = 1us, By design, sampling clock = 5,
that is, 1period = 200ns \rightarrow F_{ADC} = 5MHz
Re=20Kohm, recovery time = 2us, sampling clock = 5, 1clock = 400ns,
  F_{ADC} = 2.5MHz
Re=30Kohm, recovery time = 3us, sampling clock = 5, 1clock = 600ns,
  F_{ADC} = 1.6MHz
Re and F<sub>ADC</sub> are in inverse proportion,
We can establish a new relationship of F_{ADC} = A X (1/R_E),
Where, A = 50 \times 109
That is,
F_{ADC} = 50 \text{ X } 109 \text{ X } (1/R_F)
(If series resistor is selected by your application,
ADC sampling frequency is determined by the upper relationship.)
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4. Input capacitor at input node

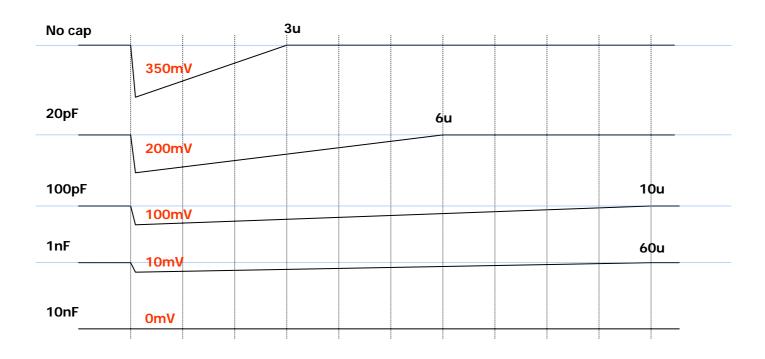
Adding the input capacitor (system diagram)





4.1. Experiments and Analysis

ADC input value by the input capacitance (30Kohm/4V input)



- * If C_input is 1nF, difference of output is about 2 code
- * If C_input is over 10nF, ADC input have no AC drop condition and stable output
- * If ADC input is DC value and 10nF capacitor, it has a good result



5. Remarks, and Recommendations

- 1. The reason of ADC output difference by the series resistance
 - 1) When ADC start signal is enabled, V_A node is dropped abruptly because of a internal resistors and capacitors.
 - 2) but ADC input current is limited by the series resistance, that is, the input recovery time is long.
 - 3) That moment, if the sampling is done, the output will not have a right value.
 - 4) Larger resistor, larger difference
 - 5) Faster sampling frequency, larger difference

2. Recommendations

If you use a big resistor, and then make a good results

- 1) Divide ADC sampling frequency
- 2) Set the input capacitor at ADC input node In order to get more exact SFR value,

You'd better reset ADCR to 0x00 after using ADC function.



Appendix: Update History

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