

# Project # 5

## A/D and D/A Converters

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In this project goal was to build an A/D 3-bit flash converter, and to demonstrate the performance of the converter. Figure 1 showed the design used for this A/D 3-bit flash (or parallel) converter. The design was taken from the textbook pp. 1230.

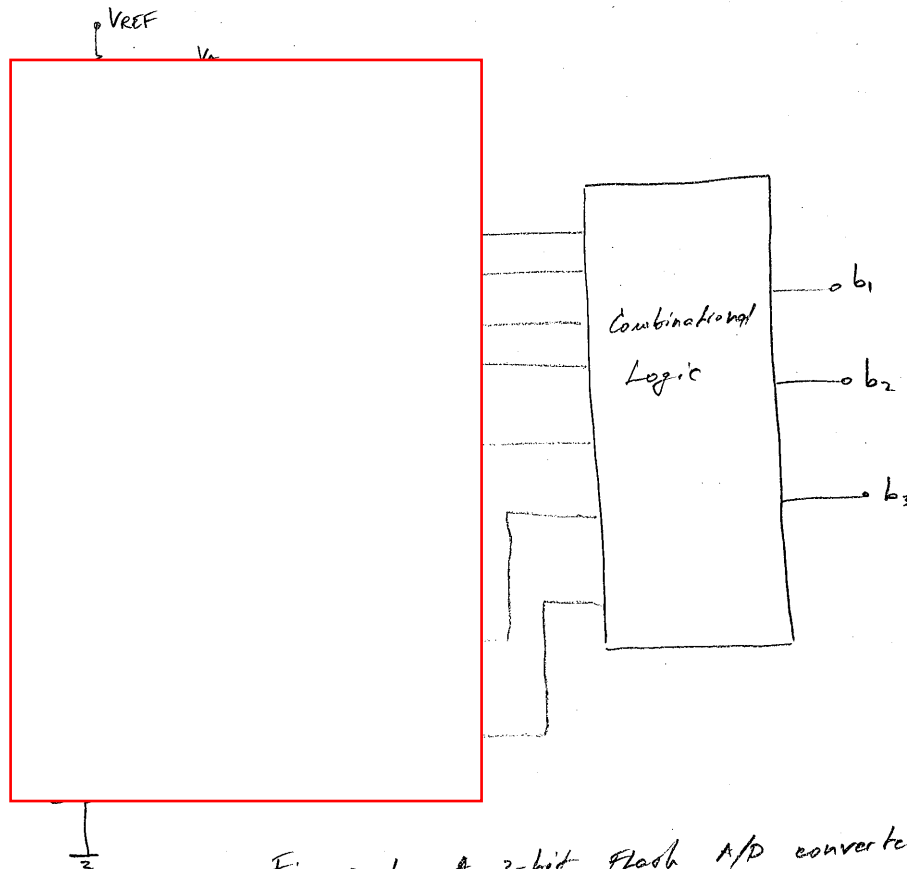


Figure 1. A 3-bit flash A/D converter <sup>1</sup>



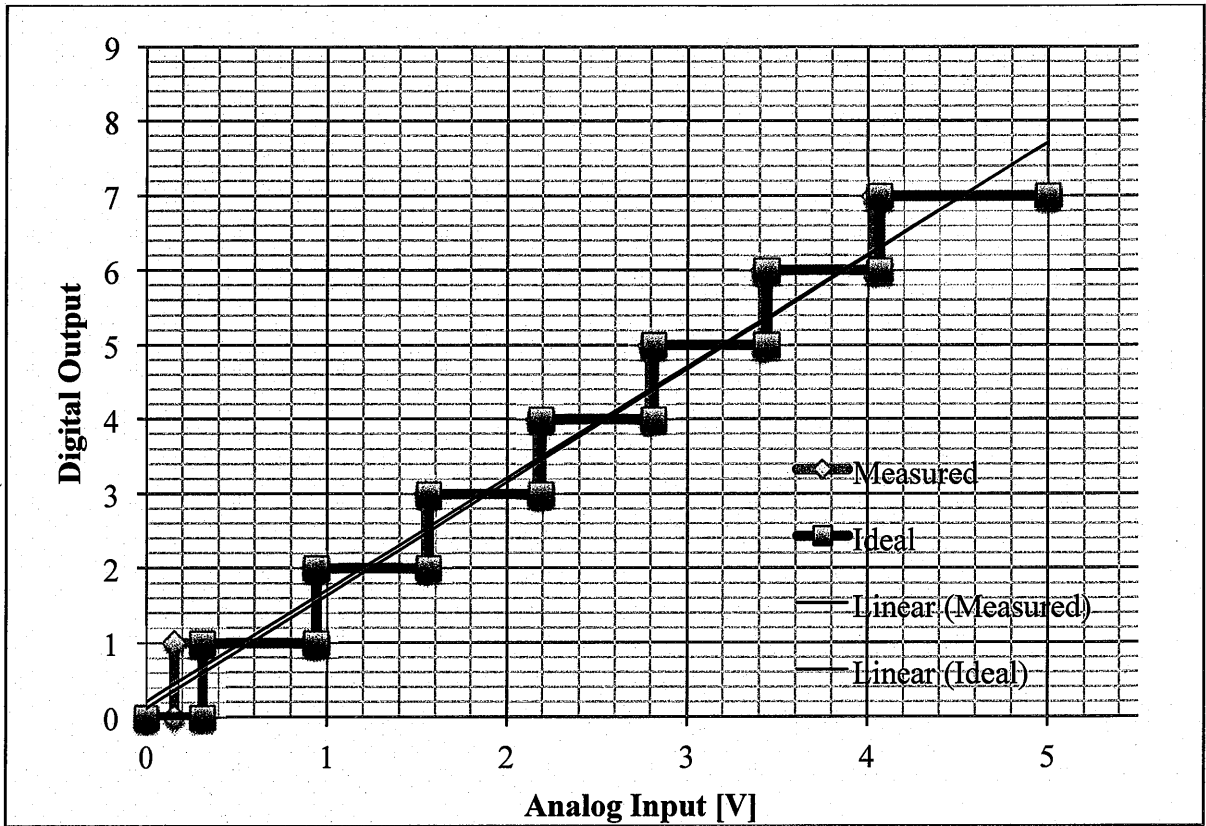


Figure 2. Ideal and measured digital output vs. analog input values

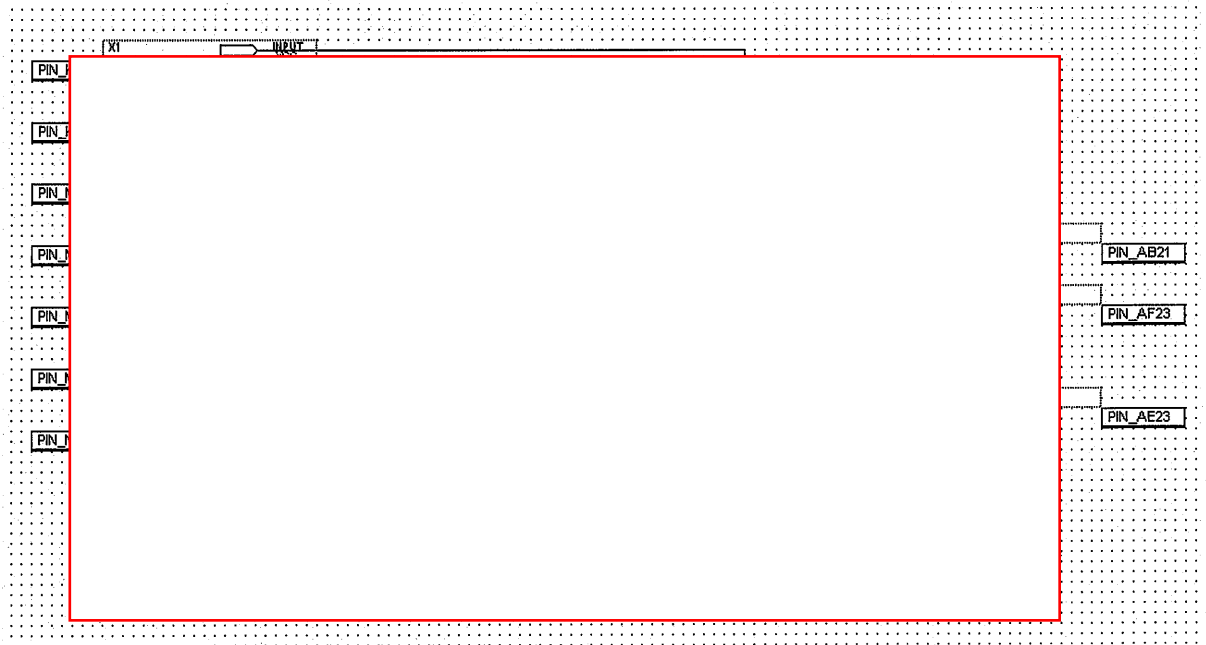
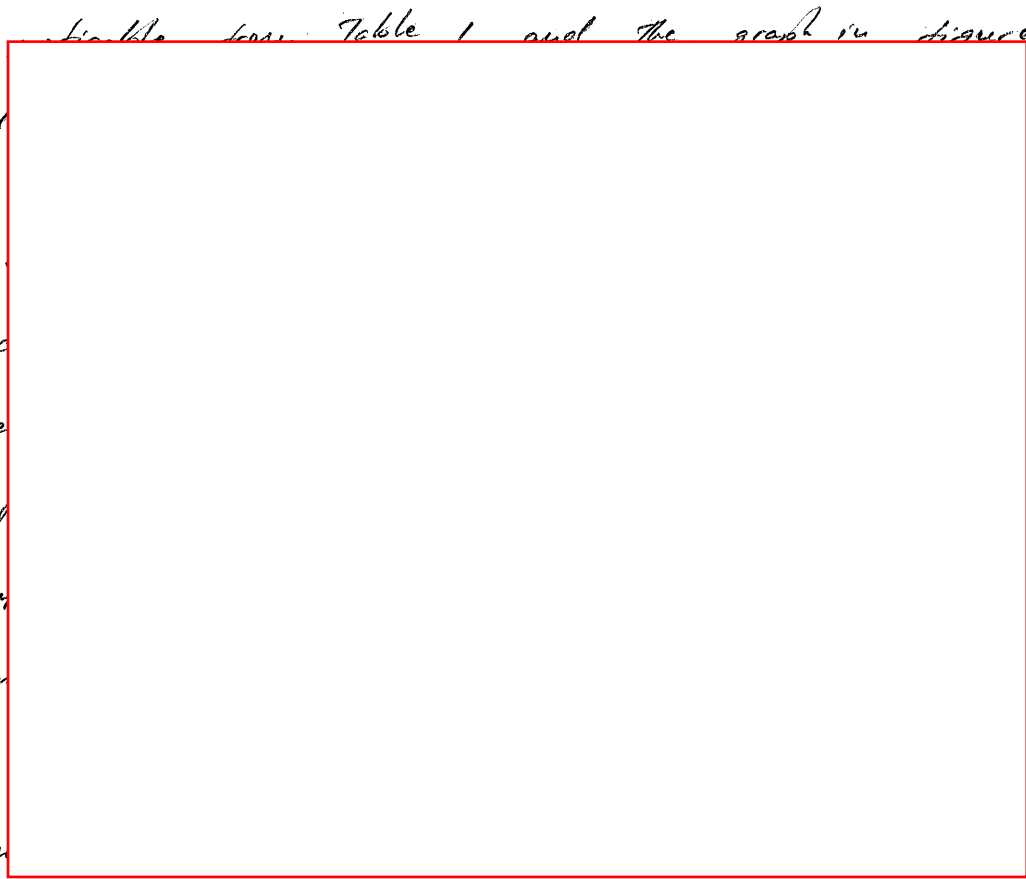


Figure 3. Combinational logic circuit

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$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1



$x_7 \bar{x}_6$

In this case  $b_1$  was MSB and  $b_3$  was LSB for the output digital value.  
The circuit was built on a breadboard as shown in figure 4. Red LED were  
used to test the input into the combinational logic circuit. The logic circuit  
was designed in Quartus software and uploaded to an Altera board.  
The board was then used for the combinational logic and binary output.

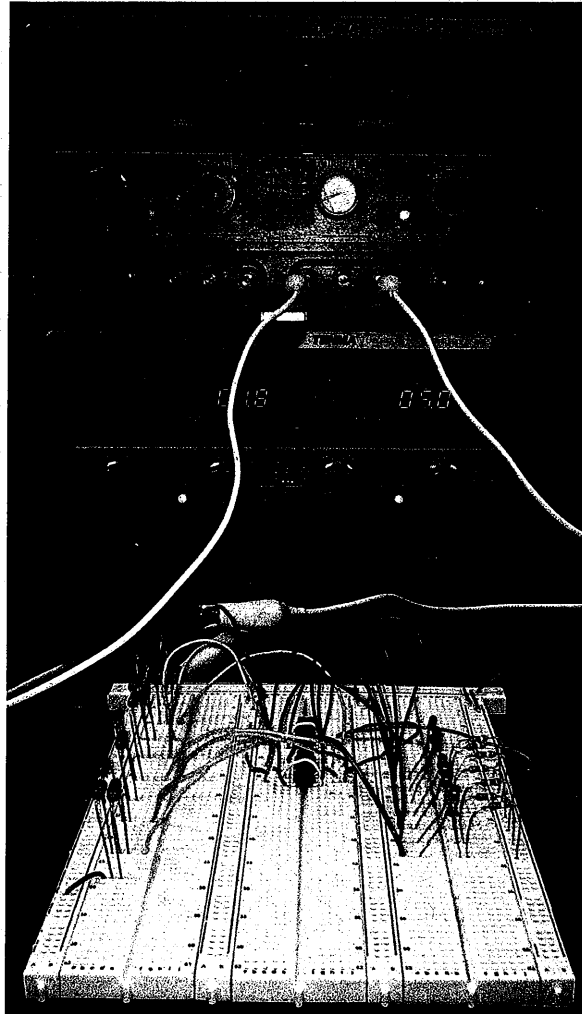


Figure 4. A/D 3-bit Flash circuit

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