

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 pg. 1230.

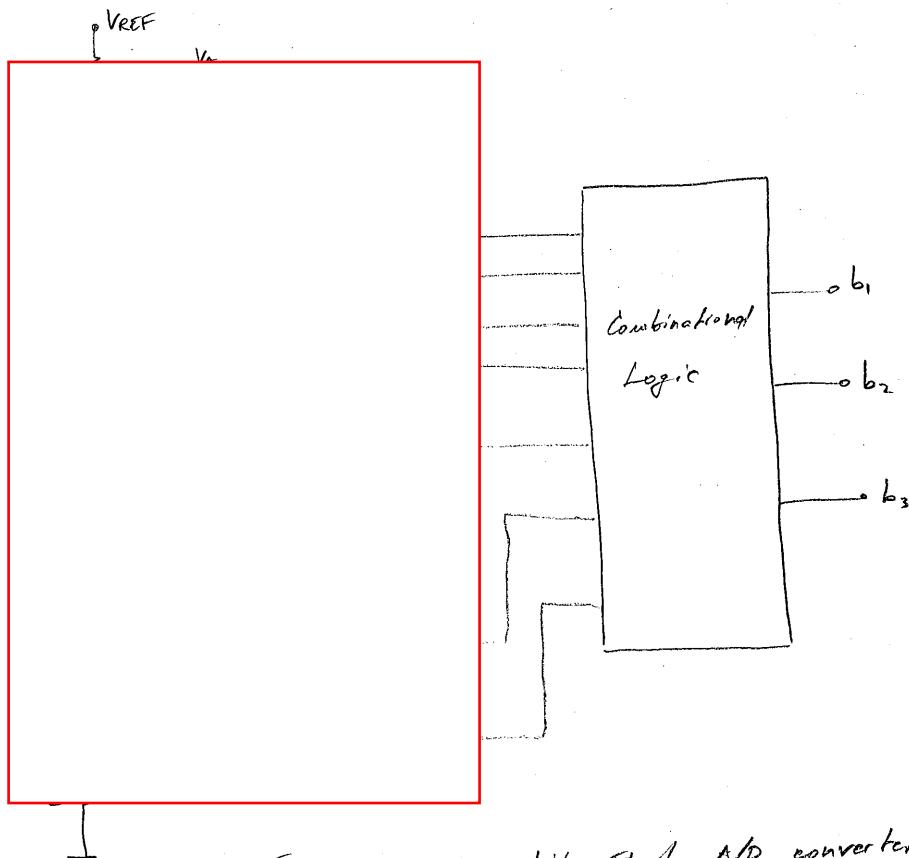


Figure 1. A 3-bit Flash A/D converter¹

This type of converter used seven op-amps, in this case LF 347 ICs were used. Input voltage (V_A) was compared to reference voltage (V_{REF}) or better, the LSB value of the reference voltage determined by the voltage divider circuit. The voltage divider circuit was built using

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input voltage rises; the number binational Logic circuit rises as was in this case.

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Since $V_{REF} = 5V$ was used, and the highest V_A input was also 5V, calculated LSB was 0.3125V. Table 1 below showed the ideal and measured values of digital output vs. analog input values.

MEASURED [V]

Table 1. Ideal and Measured digital output
vs. Analog input values

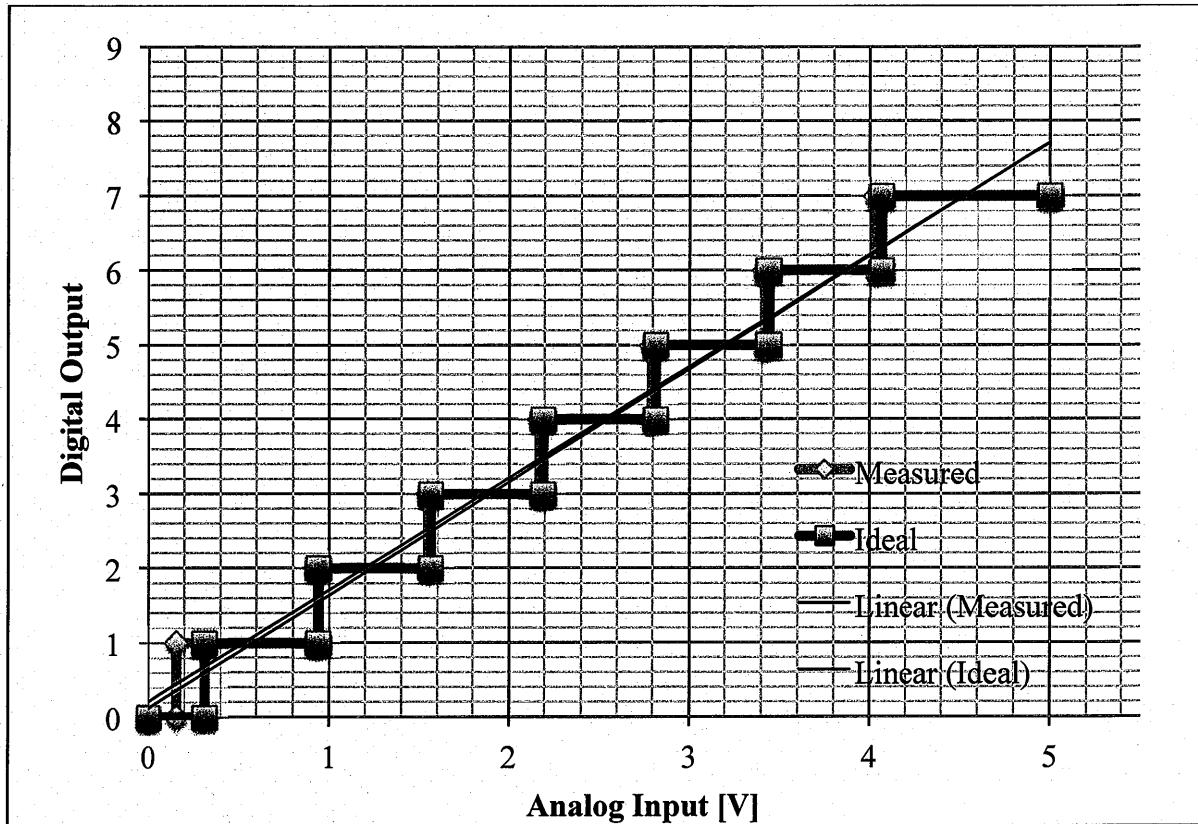


Figure 2. Ideal and measured digital output vs. analog input values

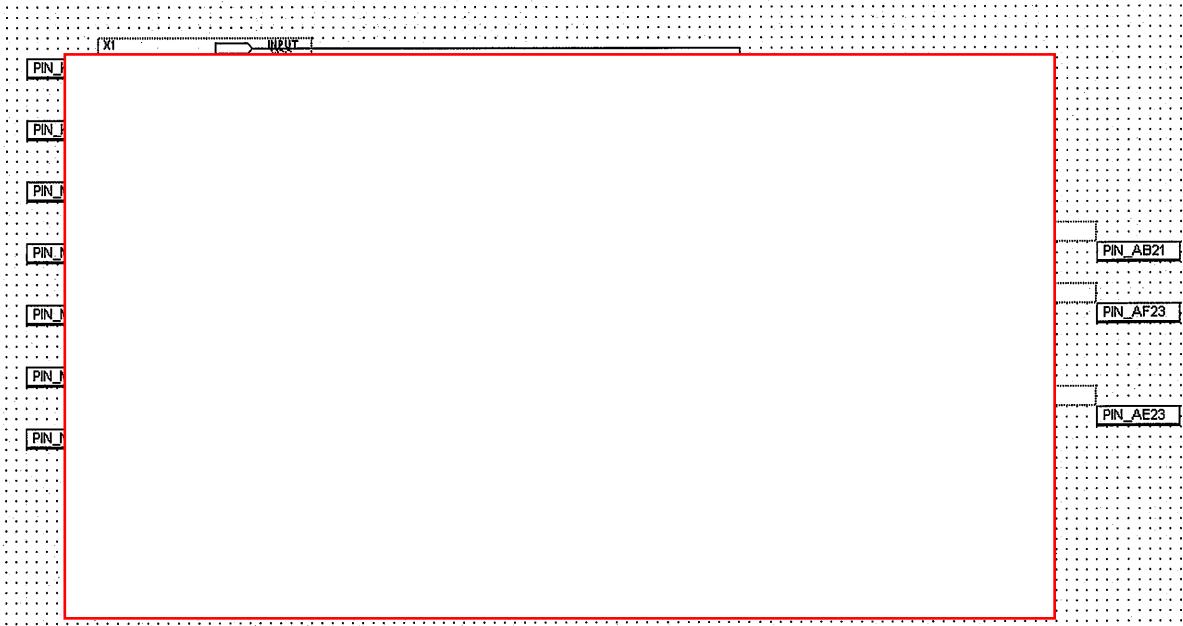


Figure 3. Combinational logic circuit

It was ~~table~~ from Table 1 and the graph in figure 2, the measured values.

In summary, logic output of opamp x_6 was fed to the opamp x_7 . The opamp x_7 was fed into the logic circuit. The combination of analog input and digital input was higher or lower, were fed into the logic circuit.

x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	x_5	x_6	y_7	b_1	b_2	b_3
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	0							
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
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.

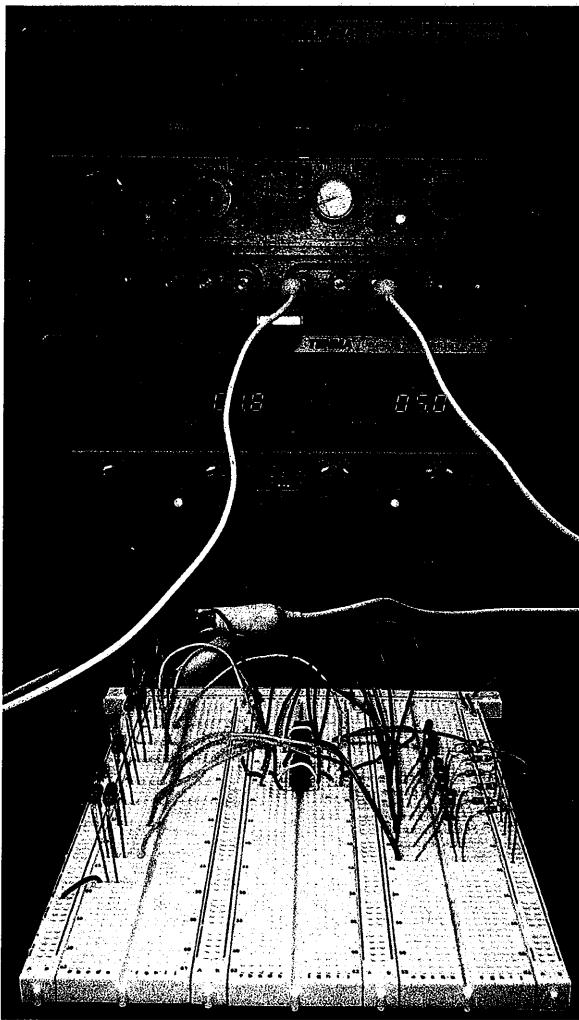


Figure 4. A/D 3-bit Flash circuit

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