Electrocardiogram (ECG) analog front end module for the C5505 ECG medical development kit

The TMDXMDKEK1258 electrocardiogram (ECG) analog front end (AFE) module is part of the ECG medical development kit (MDK), which consists of the ECG AFE module, a processor board (C5505 DSP evaluation module), and a set of collateral and application software source code to implement the ECG application. The ECG MDK delivers a complete signal chain solution to enable ECG developers to build a complete ECG system quickly for evaluation and get to production faster.

ECG MDK features
- 12-lead ECG output using 10 electrode inputs
- 0.05-Hz to 150-Hz bandwidth
- Leads off detection
- Real-time 12-lead ECG waveform display on EVM LCD, one lead at a time
- Real-time 12-lead ECG waveform display on PC, three leads at a time
- Zoom function on X-axis (time) and Y-axis (amplitude)
- Heartbeat rate display
- Recording of ECG data, and offline display option of recorded ECG data
- Freeze option on PC application

ECG AFE module key components
1. ADS1258 – 16-channel, 24-bit sigma delta analog-to-digital converter (ADC)
2. INA128 – precision, low-power instrumentation amplifier
3. PCA9535 – remote 16-bit I2C and SMBus low-power I/O expander
4. TLV3404 – nanopower open drain output comparator
5. **REF5025 – low-noise, very low drift precision voltage reference**

The ADS1258 ADC is one of 27 components on the TMDXMDKEK1258 ECG AFE module. The input signals are processed by the ADS1258, which provides for 24 bits of resolution with no missing codes. Additionally, the ADS1258 provides very low latency, industry-leading speed and noise performance as well as a very low power consumption level – making it very suitable for portable applications.

A high-quality reference voltage is essential for achieving the best performance from the ADS1258. Noise and drift can degrade overall system performance. The REF5025 precision voltage reference provides excellent temperature drift (3ppm/°C), low noise of 3uVpp/V and 0.05% accuracy.

The INA128 provides not only for high input impedance to reduce loading of the signal, but also for high common mode rejection required for noise rejection when used in conjunction with low pass filters.

The ECG AFE module can seamlessly connect to various processor platforms, such as the C550x EVM or the OMAP35xx Zoom Development Kit, through standard interface.

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