

# PLC Temperature Sensing Input Module Introduction

## PLC 溫度感測輸入模組導論

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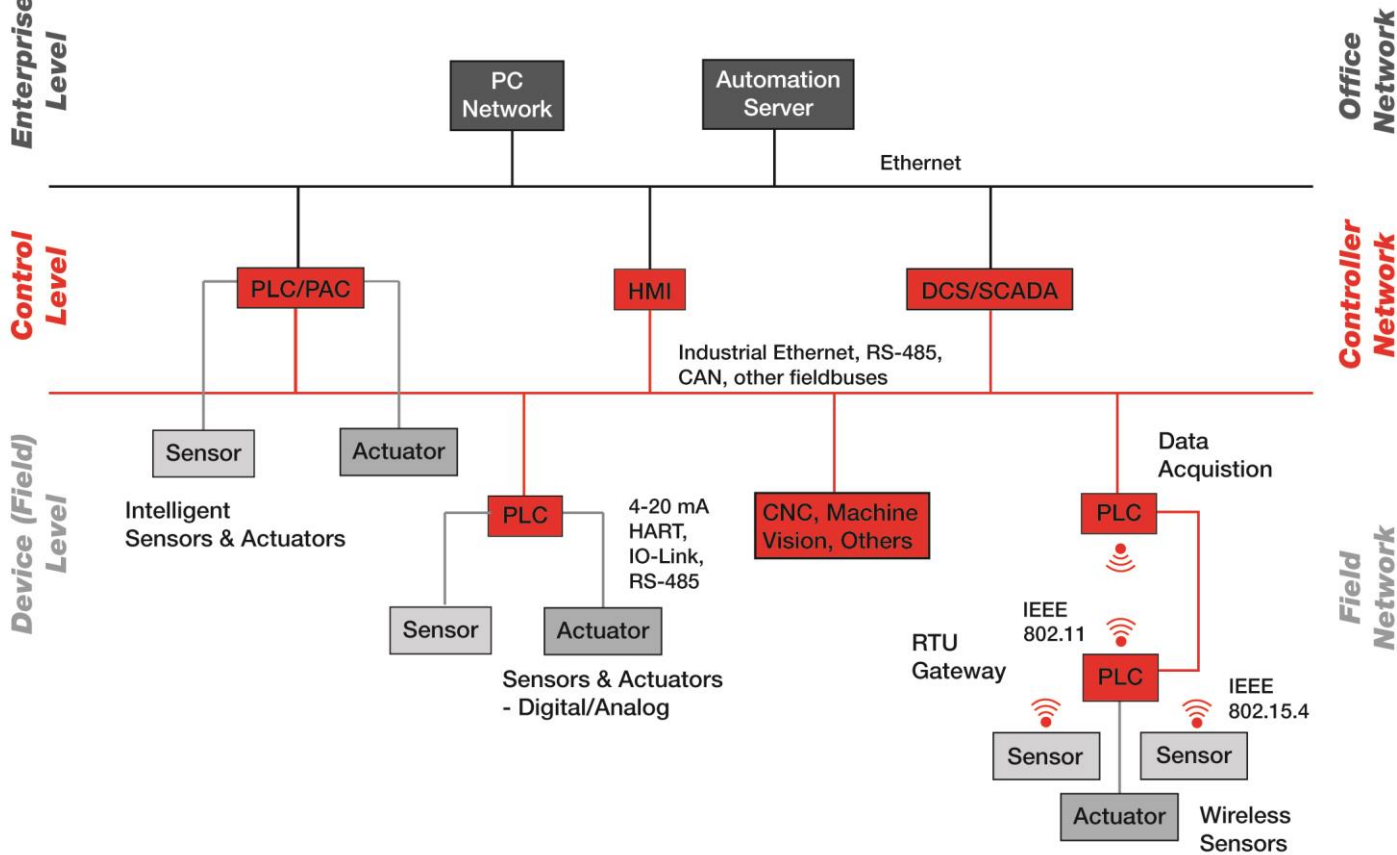
# Agenda

- Overview
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  - What are the different types of sensor for temperature sensing?
- Designing Thermocouple
  - Theory of Operation
  - Design Examples
- Designing RTD
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  - Design Examples

# Overview

*Where/how are temperature sensing used in PLC? What are the different types of sensor for temperature sensing?*

# Industrial Automation Overview



# Introduction to PLCs

## What is a PLC?

- **PLC** = **P**rogrammable **L**ogic **C**ontroller
- Control system for automated industrial processes



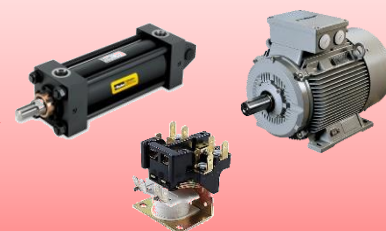
### Input from Sensors

- **Voltage** ( $\pm 10V$ )
- **Current** (4-20mA)
- **Temperature** (RTD, TC)
- **Bridge** (Pressure, Flow)



### PLC Module Types

- |                                                            |                                                              |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Analog Input</b><br>(AI) / <b>Analog</b><br>Output (AO) | <b>Digital Input</b><br>(DI) / <b>Digital</b><br>Output (DO) |
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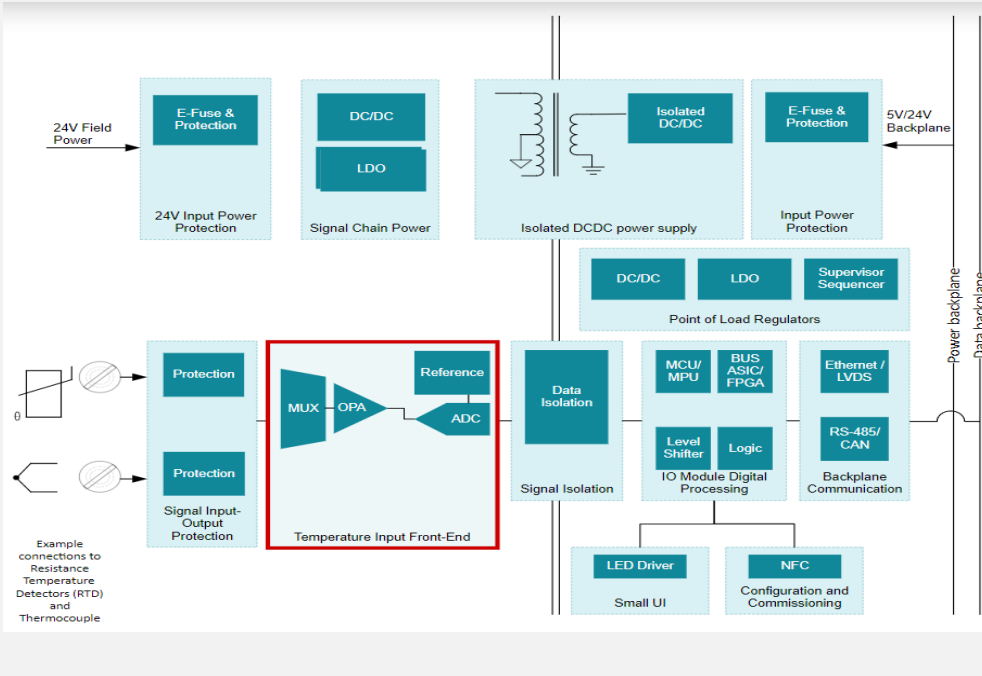


### Output to Actuators

- **Hydraulic Cylinders**
- **Motors**
- **Magnetic Relays**

# Where do I find Temperature Sensing in PLCs?

## Analog Input Module (Temperature Transducer) EERD



## Key Signal Chain Specs


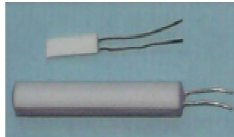
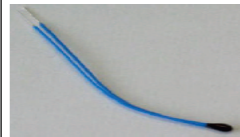

- Input impedance ( $>1 \text{ M}\Omega$ )
- High voltage input (up to  $\pm 10 \text{ V}$ )
- Group- or channel-isolated
- Universal input (TC, RTD,  $\pm 10 \text{ V}$ , 4-20 mA)
- Update rate per channel
- Common-mode range
- System size

## Important Terms


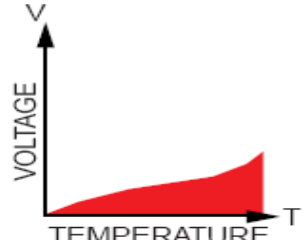

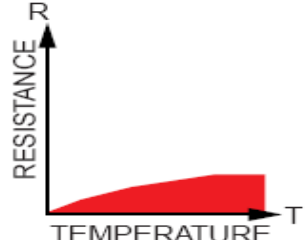

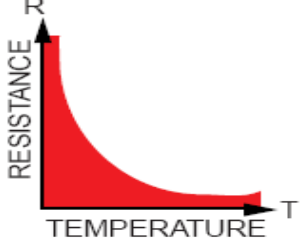

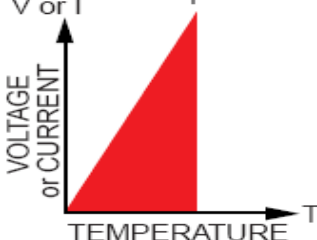
**Channel-to-channel isolated** – each input is ground-isolated from each other input to minimize ground loops between channels → requires one ADC per channel

**Group-isolated** – several inputs share a ground but are generally separated from earth ground → requires one ADC per group

# Different types of temperature sensor

	THERMOCOUPLE	RESISTANCE TEMPERATURE DETECTOR (RTD)	THERMISTOR	SEMICONDUCTOR TEMPERATURE SENSOR IC
Range	-270°C to 2000°C	-200°C to 850°C	-50°C to 300°C	-55°C to 200°C
Changing Physical Characteristic	Voltage	Resistance	Resistance	Voltage or current
Excitation	Self-powered	Current excitation	Current excitation	Power Supply ( $\mu\text{A}$ )
Cost	Low	High	Low to moderate	Low
Response	Medium to fast	Medium	Medium to fast	Medium to fast
Accuracy	Less	Best	Good	Better
Repeatability	Reasonable	Excellent	Fair to Good	Good to excellent
Ruggedness	Very high (Can withstand high shock and vibration)	Less	High	Medium
Special Requirements	Amplification, Filtering, Cold junction compensation, Linearization	Lead Compensation, Filtering	Linearization	Power supply, Self-contained
Sensitivity at 20°C	Low (40 $\mu\text{V}$ per °C for K-Type)	Medium	Very high	High (Typically 10 mV/°C)
Self-Heating	No	Very low to low	High	Very low to low
Lead Wire Resistance	Not a problem	Problematic	Not a problem	Not a problem
Interchangeability	Good	Excellent	Poor to fair	Better
Long Term Stability	Poor	Stable over long period; Typically Less than 0.1°C per year	Poor	Good
Noise Susceptibility	High	Medium	Low	Medium
Linearity	Fair	Good	Poor (Logarithmic)	Good
Size	Small to large	Medium to small	Small to medium	Small to medium but limited package choices
				

# Different types of temperature sensor

	<b>Thermocouple</b>  	<b>RTD</b>  	<b>Thermistor</b>  	<b>I. C. Sensor</b>  
<b>Advantages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Self-powered <input type="checkbox"/> Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Rugged <input type="checkbox"/> Inexpensive <input type="checkbox"/> Wide variety <input type="checkbox"/> Wide temperature range	<input type="checkbox"/> Most stable <input type="checkbox"/> Most accurate <input type="checkbox"/> More linear than thermocouple	<input type="checkbox"/> High output <input type="checkbox"/> Fast <input type="checkbox"/> Two-wire ohms measurement	<input type="checkbox"/> Most linear <input type="checkbox"/> Highest output <input type="checkbox"/> Inexpensive
<b>Disadvantages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-linear <input type="checkbox"/> Low voltage <input type="checkbox"/> Reference required <input type="checkbox"/> Least stable <input type="checkbox"/> Least sensitive	<input type="checkbox"/> Expensive <input type="checkbox"/> Current source required <input type="checkbox"/> Small $\Delta R$ <input type="checkbox"/> Low absolute resistance <input type="checkbox"/> Self-heating	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-linear <input type="checkbox"/> Limited temperature range <input type="checkbox"/> Fragile <input type="checkbox"/> Current source required <input type="checkbox"/> Self-heating	<input type="checkbox"/> $T < 200^{\circ}\text{C}$ <input type="checkbox"/> Power supply required <input type="checkbox"/> Slow <input type="checkbox"/> Self-heating <input type="checkbox"/> Limited configurations



# Designing Thermocouple

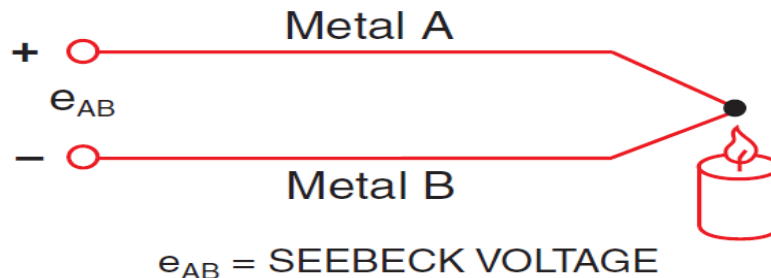
## *Theory of Operation & Design Examples*

# Thermocouple Basics I

## Seebeck Effect

Any conductor that is subjected to a thermal gradient will generate a voltage between its ends.

- Consists of two dissimilar metal alloys
- Most common types:
  - Chromel-Alumel (Type K)
  - Iron-Constantan (Type J)
  - Copper-Constantan (Type T)



Source: Omega Engineering

# Thermocouple

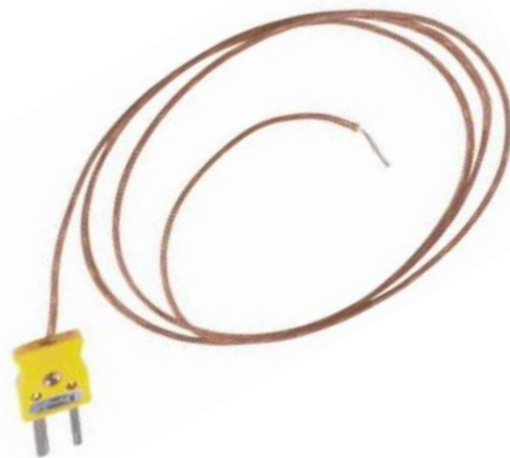
## Basics II

### Advantages

- Wide temperature range (-260°C to +2000°C)  
Only contact temperature measurement device for  $T > 850^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Self-powered
- Very fast response, fractions of sec
- Simple and durable in construction
- Inexpensive
- Wide variety of physical forms

### Disadvantages

- Thermocouple voltage non-linear with temperature
- Low measurement voltages ( $\leq 60\text{mV}$ )
- Low accuracy:  $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Least stable and sensitive
- Requires a known junction temperature



# Type-K Thermocouple

## MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE RANGE

### Thermocouple Grade

- 328 to 2282°F  
- 200 to 1250°C

### Extension Grade

32 to 392°F  
0 to 200°C

### LIMITS OF ERROR

(whichever is greater)

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### COMMENTS, BARE WIRE ENVIRONMENT:

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### TEMPERATURE IN DEGREES °C

### REFERENCE JUNCTION AT 0°C



Thermocouple Grade

Nickel-Chromium  
vs.  
Nickel-Aluminum



Extension Grade

## Revised Thermocouple Reference Tables

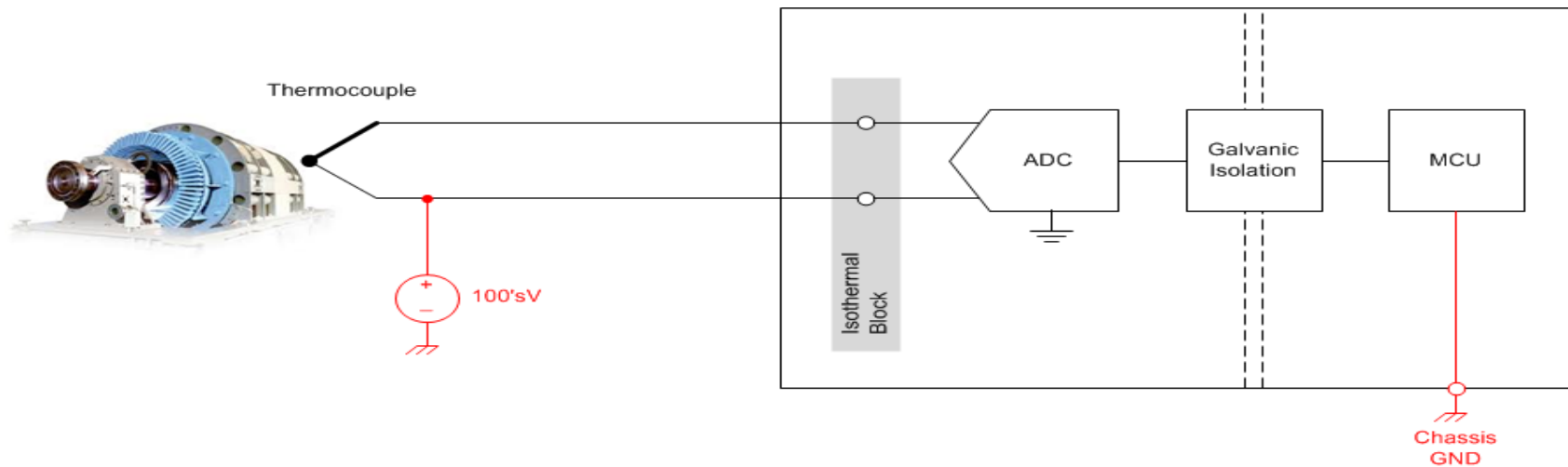
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Thermoelectric Voltage in Millivolts

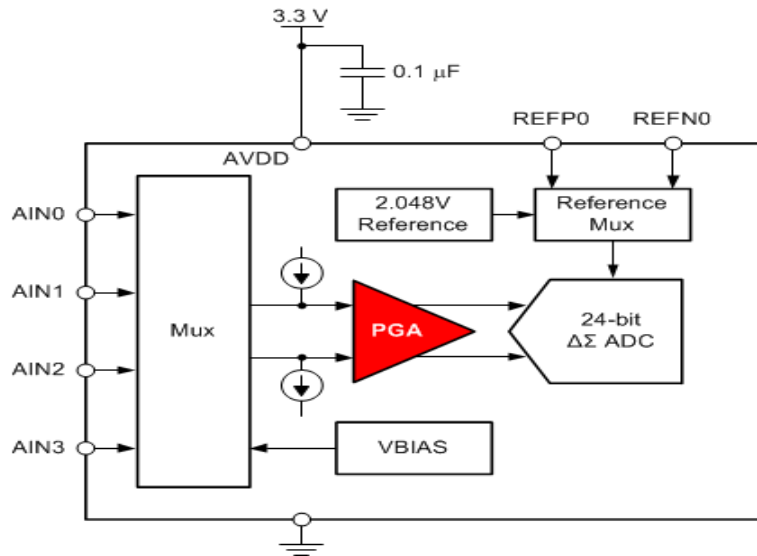
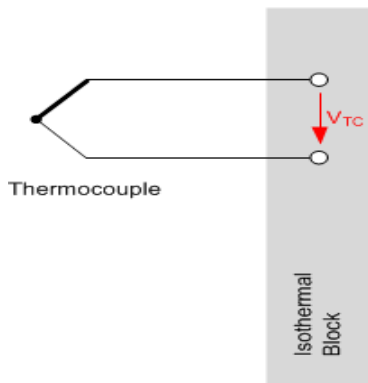
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-260	-6.458	-6.457	-6.456	-6.455	-6.453	-6.452	-6.450	-6.448	-6.446	-6.444	-6.441	-260	1350	54.138	54.172	54.206	54.240	54.274	54.308	54.343	54.377	54.411	54.445	54.479	1350
-250	-6.441	-6.438	-6.435	-6.432	-6.429	-6.425	-6.421	-6.417	-6.413	-6.408	-6.404	-250	1360	54.479	54.513	54.547	54.581	54.615	54.649	54.683	54.717	54.751	54.785	54.819	1360
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- Max. Temperature Range: -260°C to 1370°C
- Thermocouple Voltage  $V_{TC}$ : -6.458mV to 54.886mV

# Need for Isolation

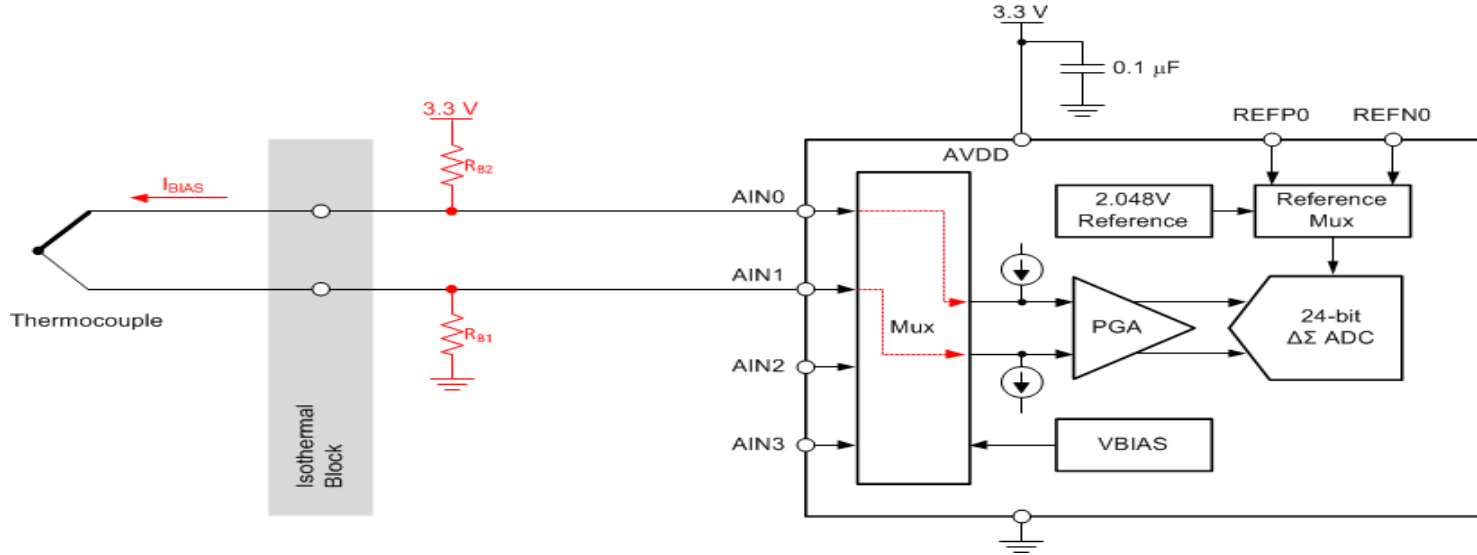


# Choosing the PGA Gain



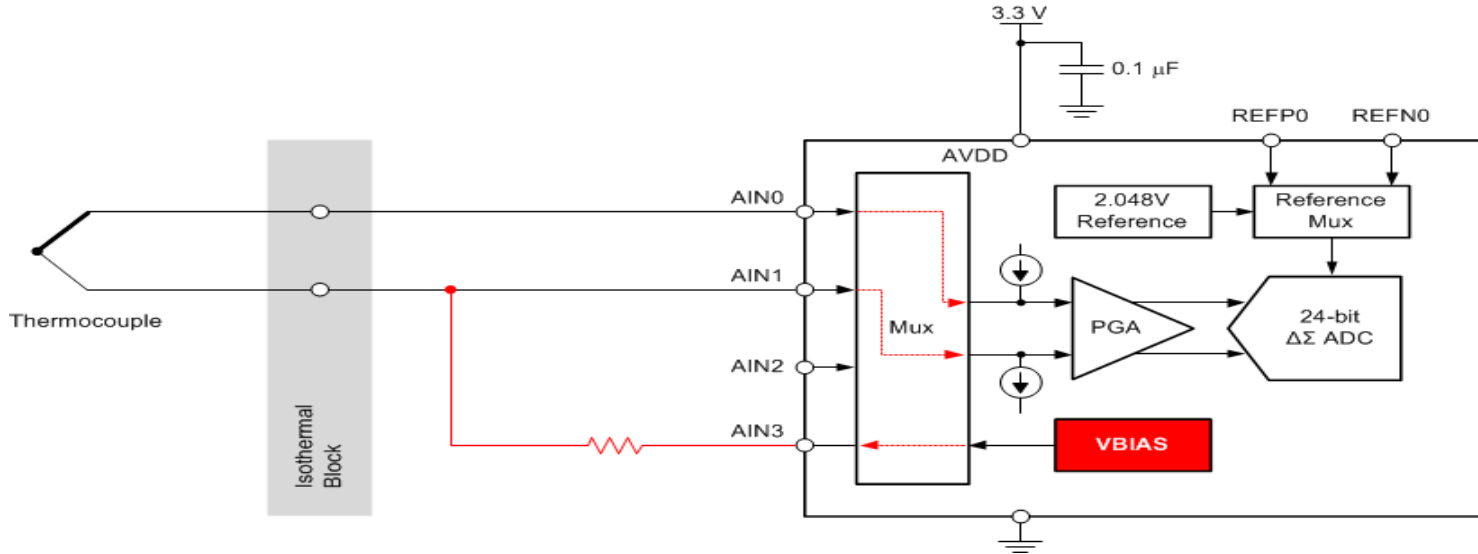
- Thermocouple Voltage:  $V_{TC\ MAX} = 54.886\text{mV}$
- Max. Gain:  $V_{REF}/V_{TC\ MAX} = 2.048\text{V} / 54.886\text{mV} = 37.3\ \text{V/V}$
- Next smaller PGA Gain:  $32\ \text{V/V}$

# Biasing the Thermocouple – Option I



- Biasing necessary to meet PGA common-mode voltage requirement
- Bias resistor value: Compromise between self-heating (bias current) and noise pickup.  
Typ. 500kΩ – 10MΩ
- Thermocouple can have lead resistance of up to 10kΩ per lead.  
Bias current causes additional offset error.

# Biasing the Thermocouple – Option II

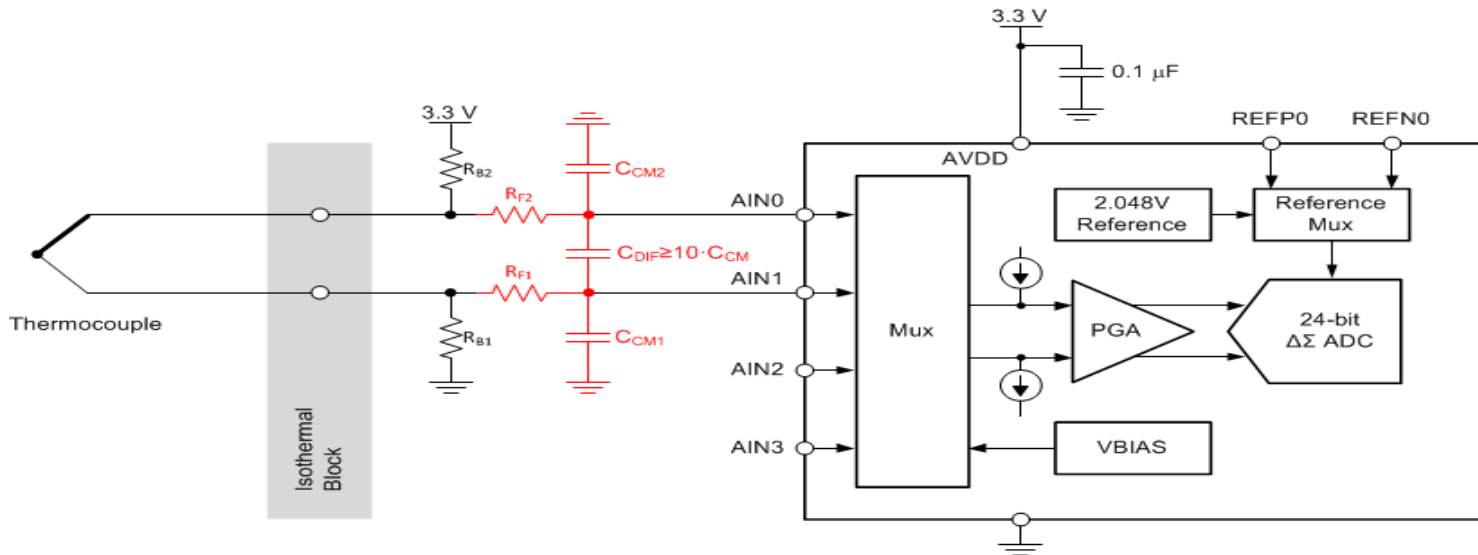


- $V_{BIAS} = AVDD/2 = 1.65V$
- No error due to additional bias current
- Alternatively VREFOUT can be used for biasing instead of  $V_{BIAS}$

(\*)  $V_{BIAS}$  not available in ADS1220



# Input Filter



- Noise and antialiasing filter
- Series resistor serves as overvoltage protection by limiting the input current

$$f_{-3\text{dB\_DIF}} = \frac{1}{2 \times \pi \times C_{\text{DIF}} \times (R_{F1} + R_{F2})}$$

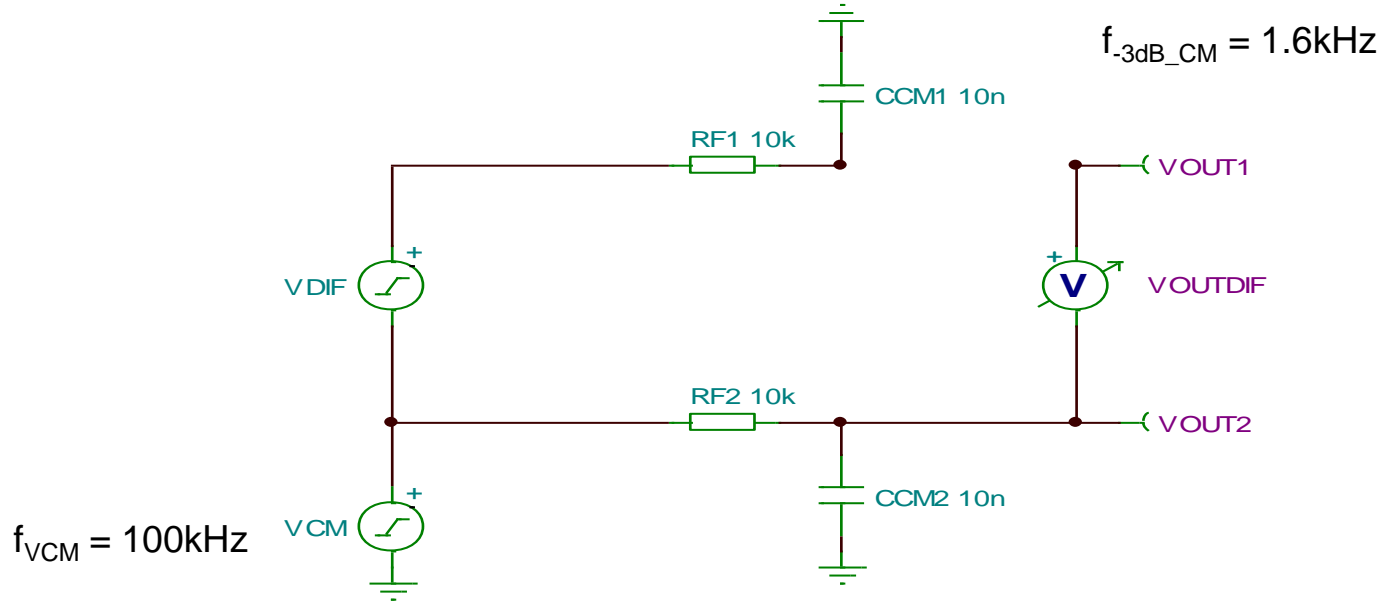
$$f_{-3\text{dB\_CM}} = \frac{1}{2 \times \pi \times C_{\text{CM1}} \times R_{F1}}$$

# Input Filter - Guidelines

- $C_{DIF} \geq 10 \cdot C_{CM}$   
Corner frequency of differential filter lower than common-mode filter
- Use of high quality caps recommended, otherwise corner frequency changes with voltage and temperature
- Limit  $R_F$  to  $\leq 10k\Omega$  otherwise additional offset voltage due to input currents of ADC
- Chose  $R_F$  with adequate power rating to withstand overvoltage condition
- Biasing should be placed in front of filter so bias current does not flow through  $R_F$  which would create additional offset error
- Large filter increases settling time in MUX applications

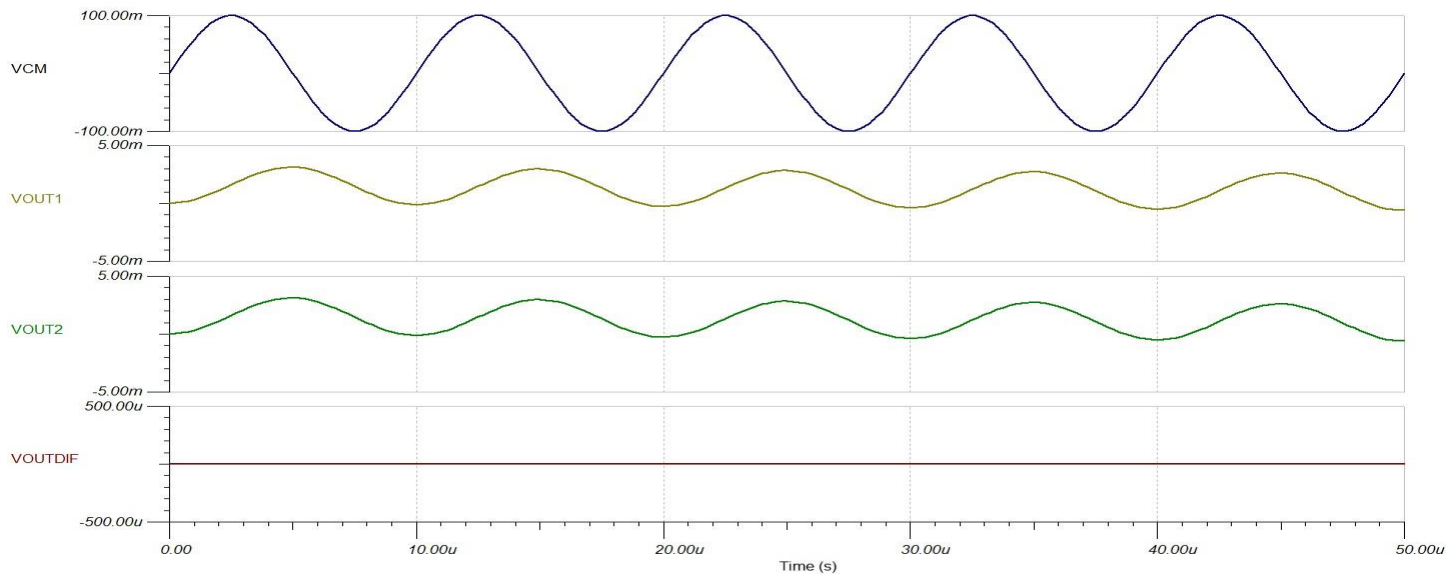
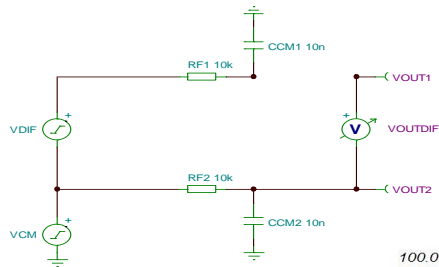
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## Common-mode filter only



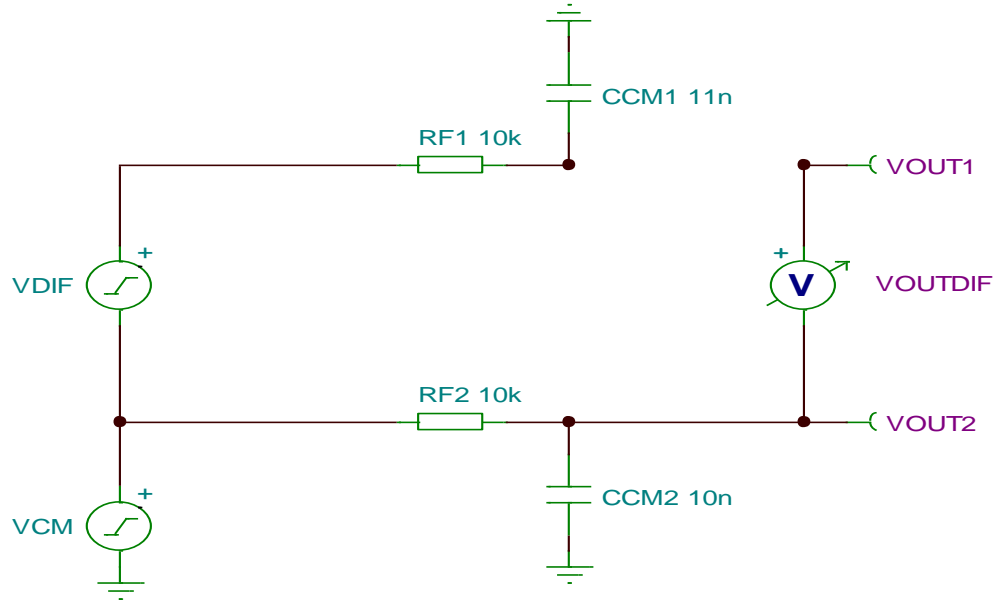
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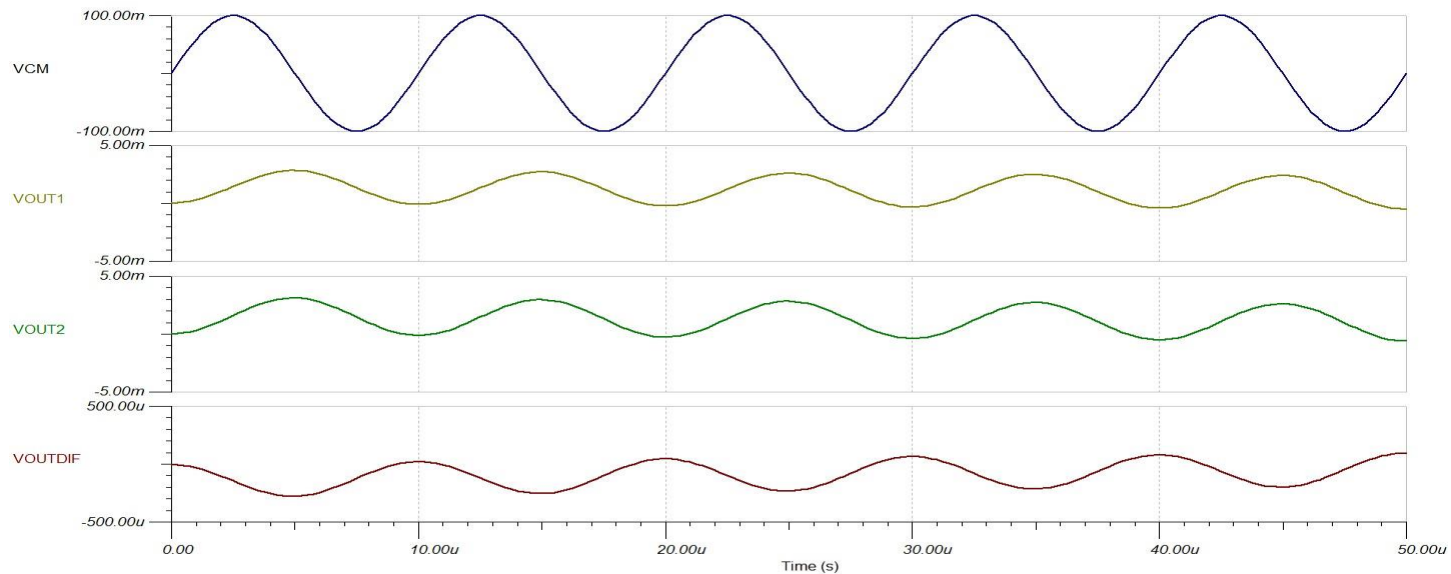
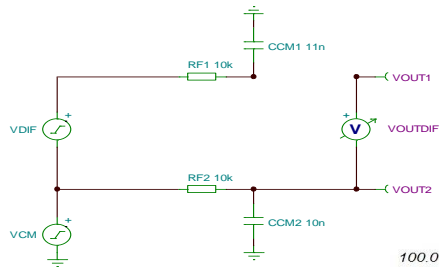
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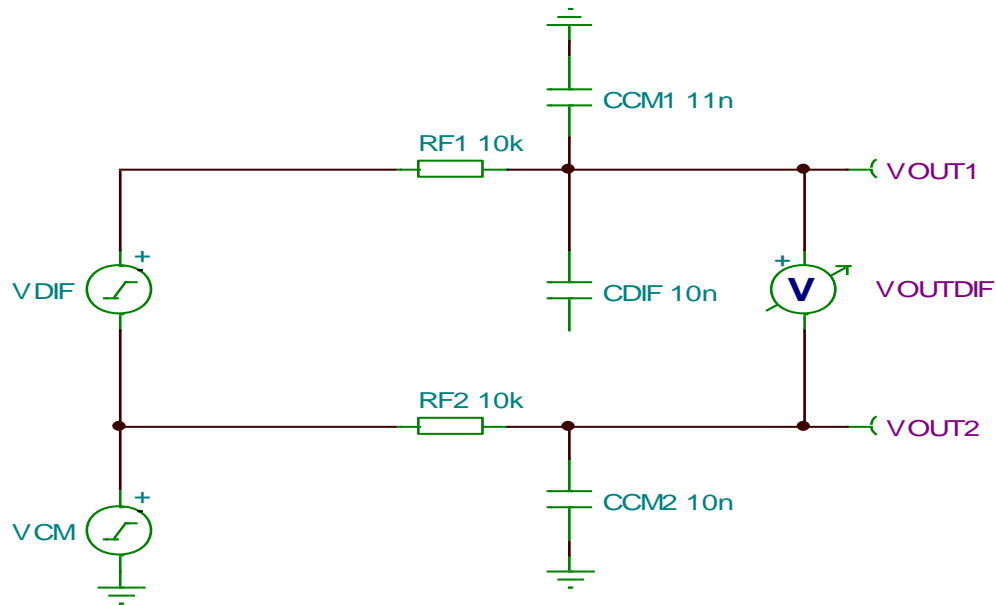
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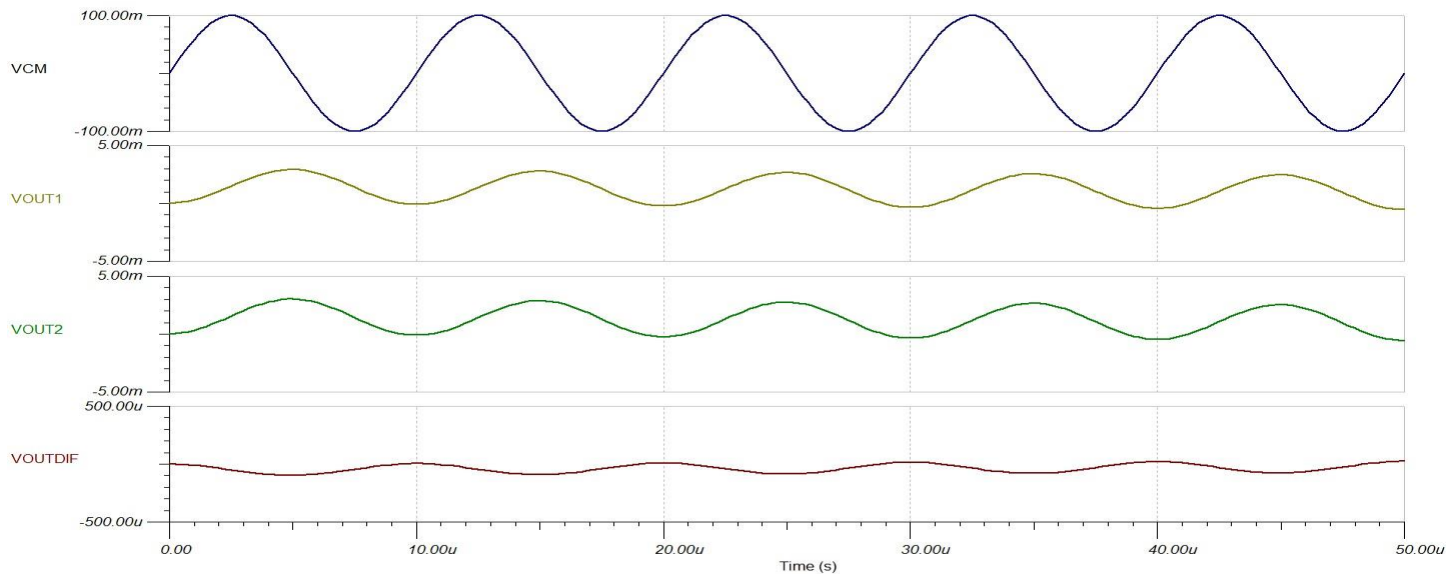
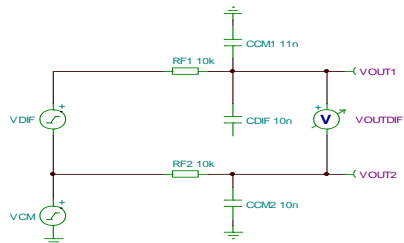
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$f_{-3dB\_DIF} = 800\text{Hz}$

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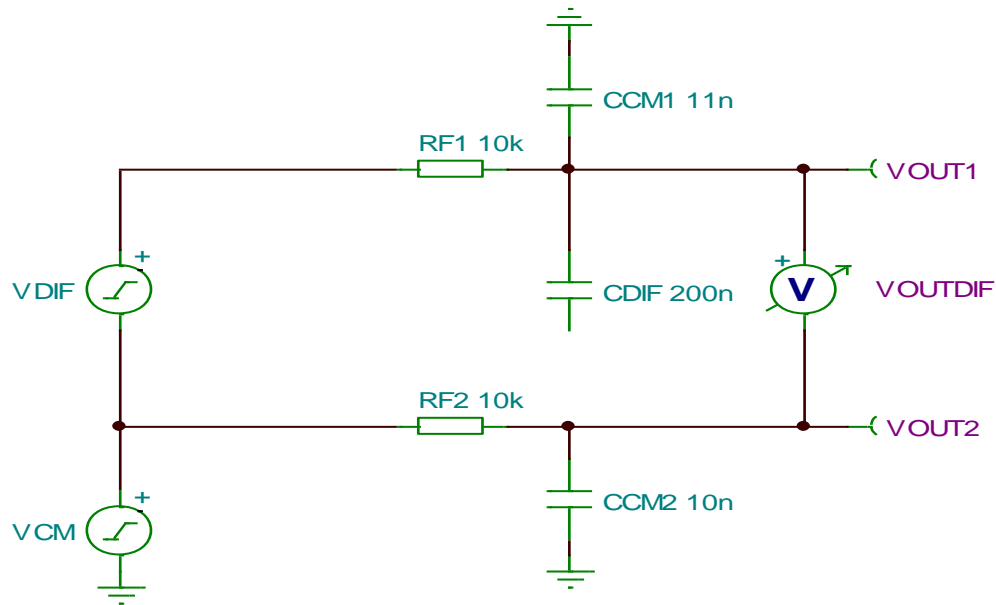
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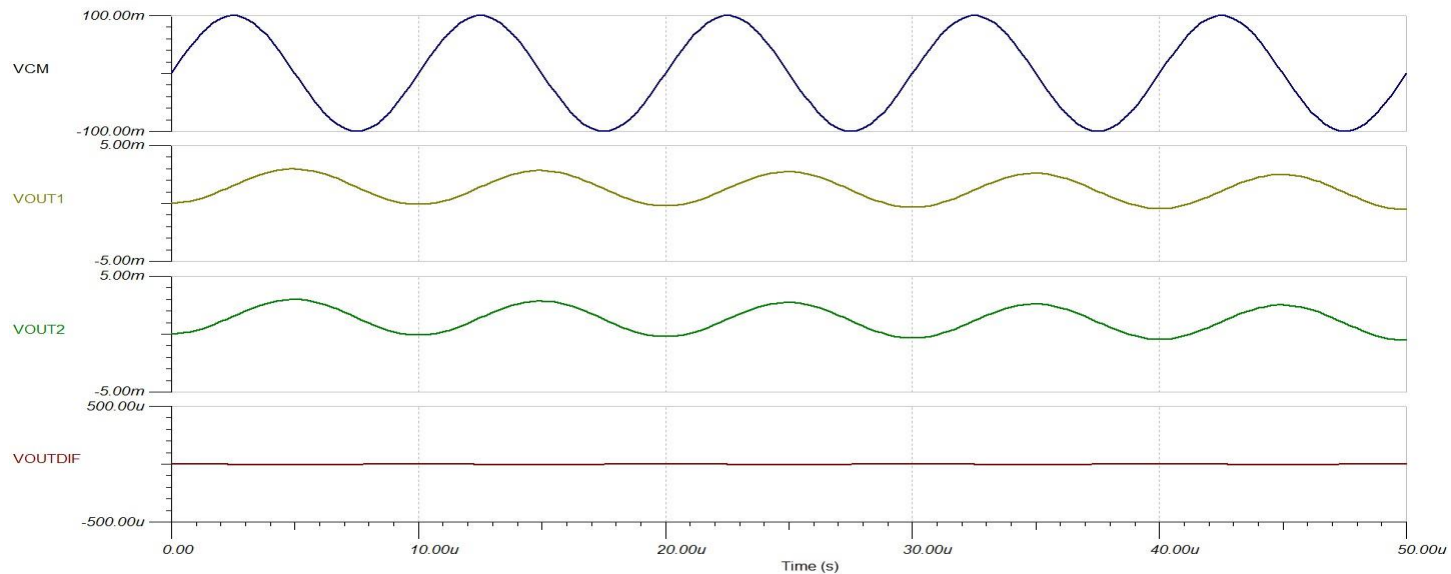
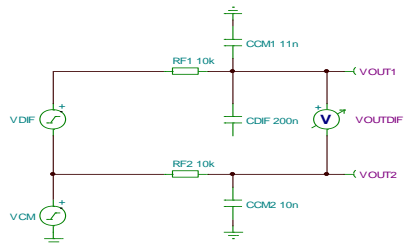
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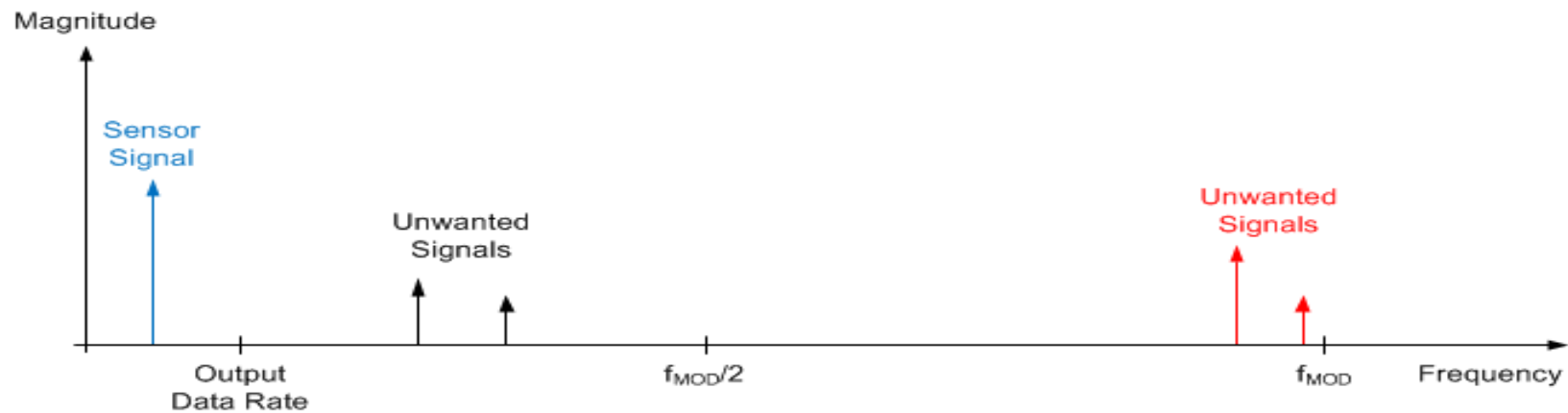
$$f_{-3dB\_DIF} = 40\text{Hz}$$

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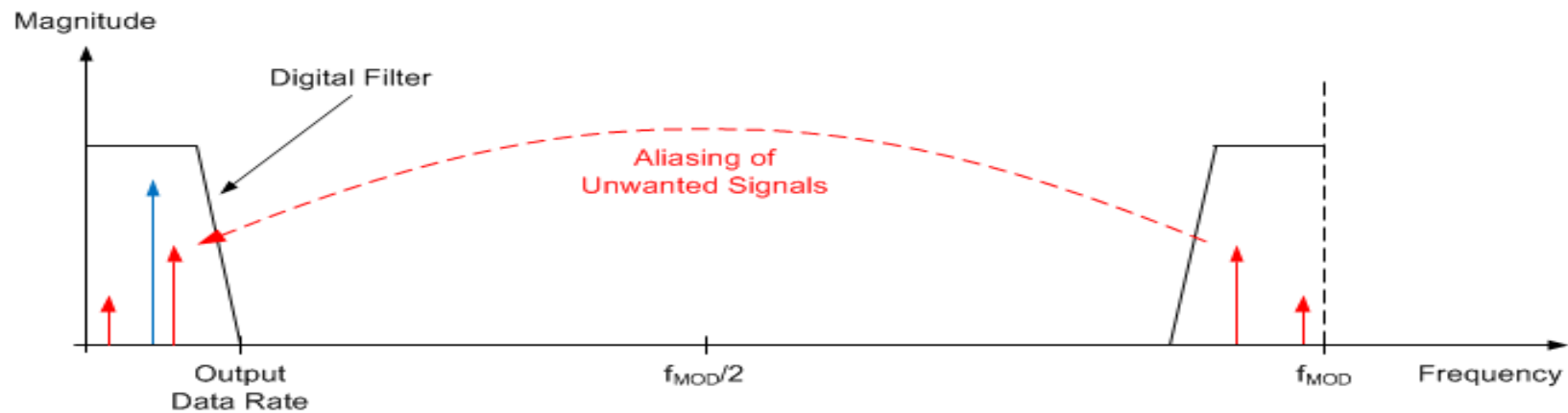
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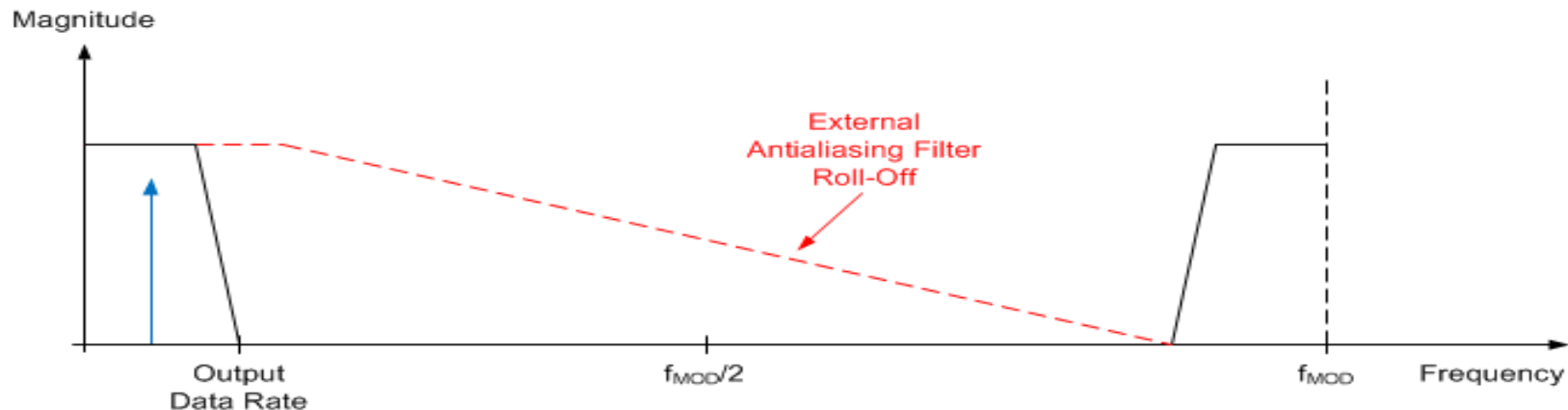
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# Aliasing II



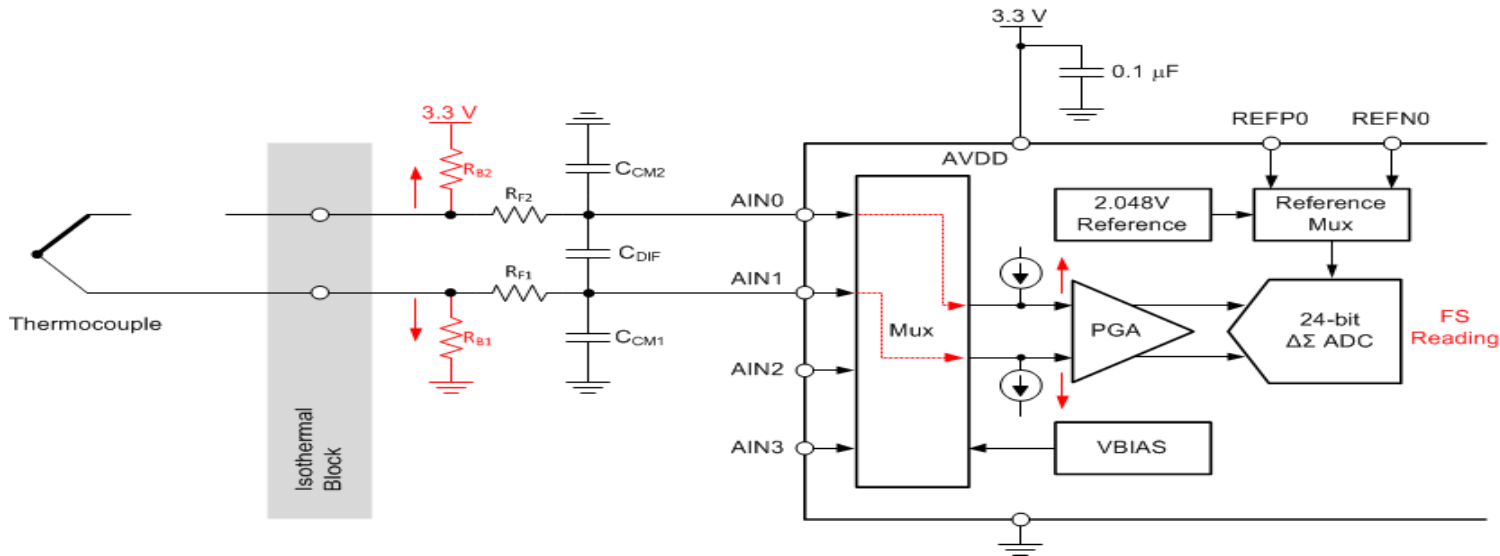
# Aliasing III



- Knock down signals at  $f_{MOD}$  so they don't alias back into the band of interest
- Set  $f_C \geq 10 \cdot f_{Data}$  so that droop of external filter does not effect the signal

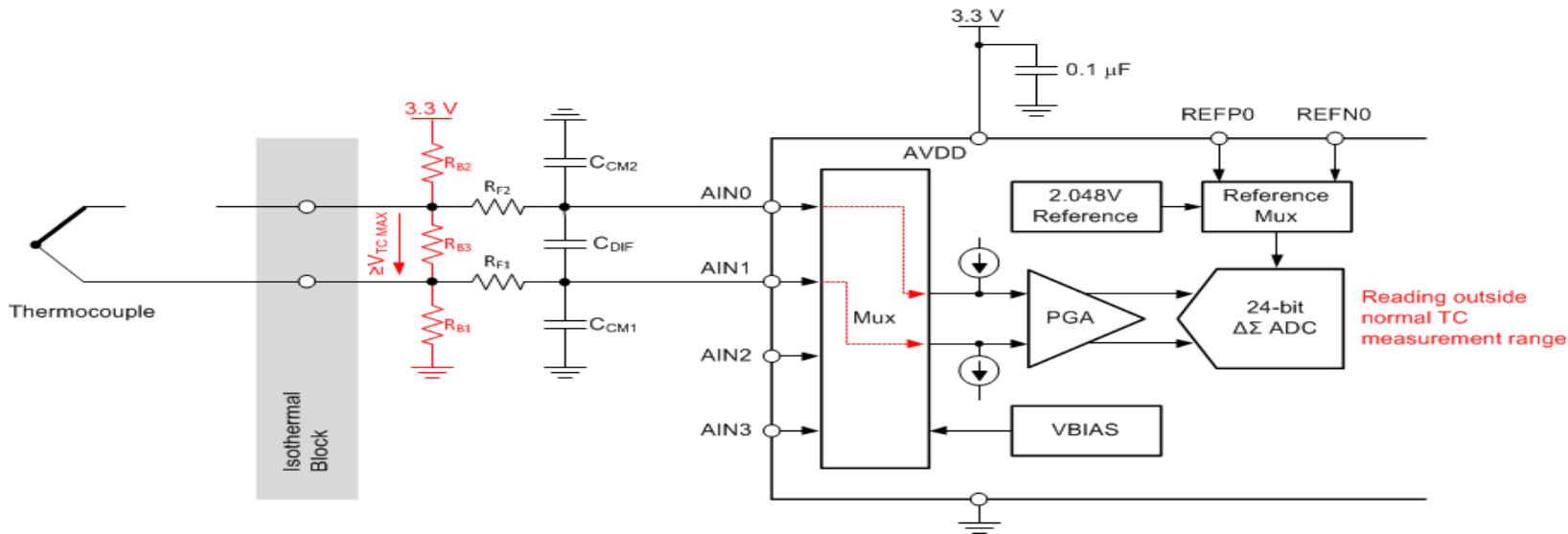
# OPEN SENSOR DETECTION

# Open Sensor Detection – Option 1a



- Use of pull-up/down resistors
- Detection continuously 'on the fly'
- Additional errors due to biasing current possible
- Open sensor condition will saturate PGA

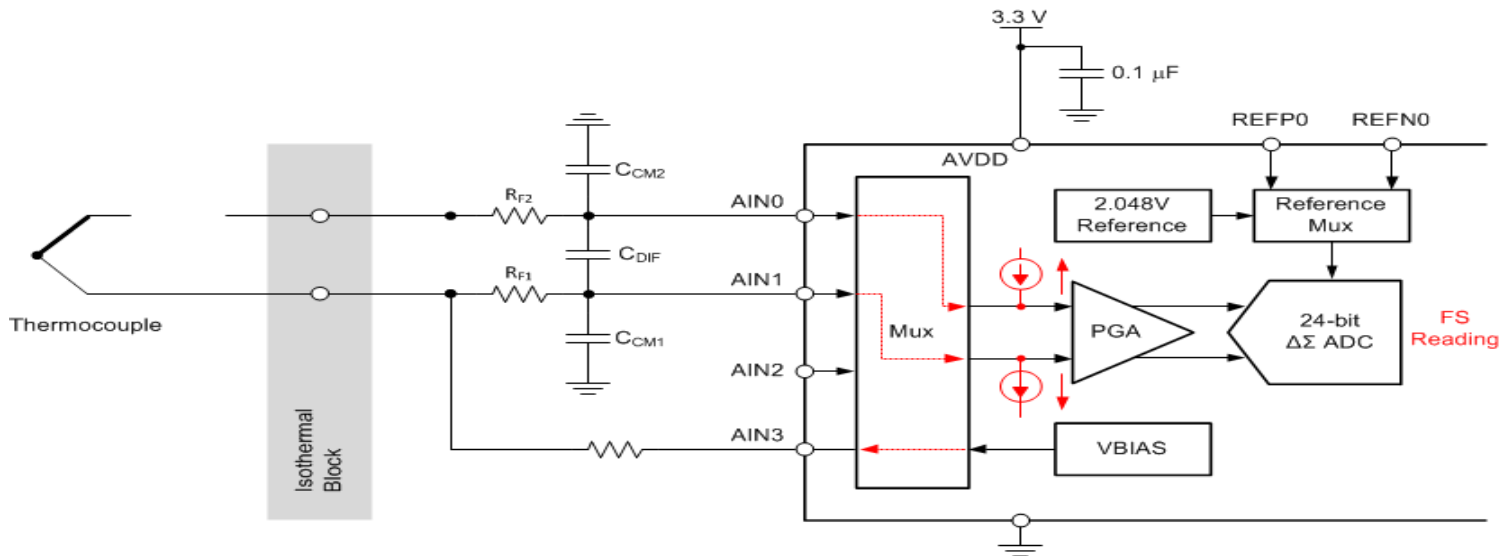
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- $V_{TC\ MAX} \leq V_{RB3} \leq FS$
- Open sensor condition does not saturate PGA
- Improves settling in MUX applications

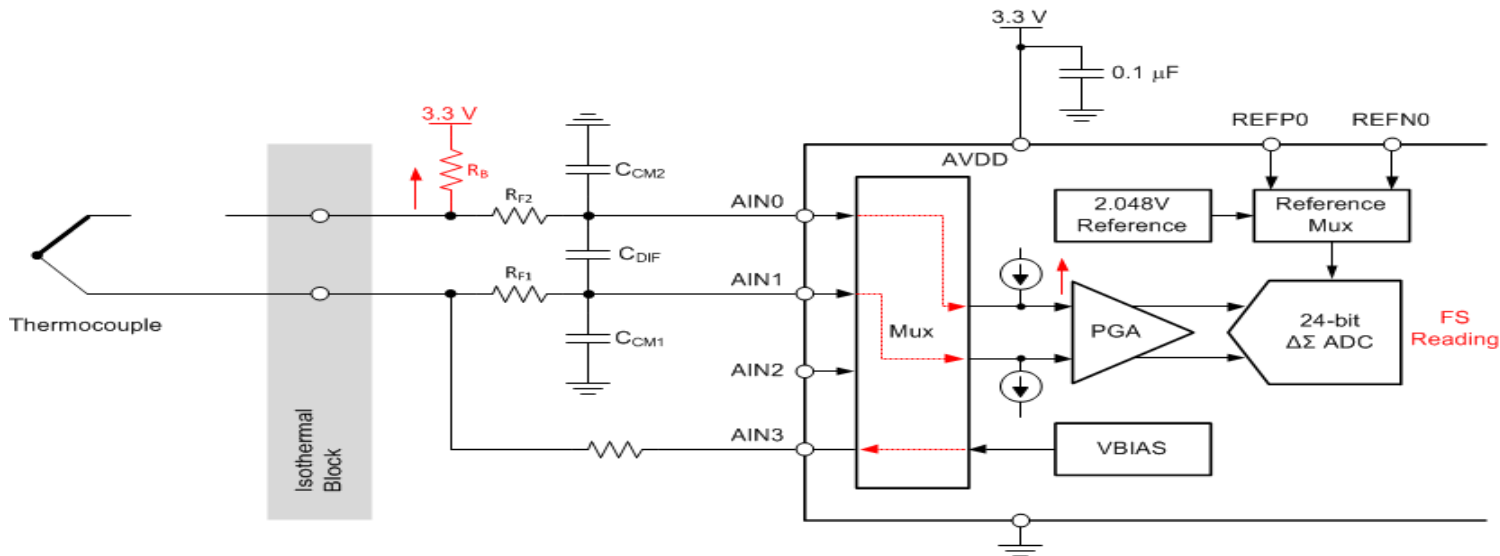


# Open Sensor Detection – Option II



- Use of BOCS (Burnout Current Sources)
- Use a separate diagnostic cycle to turn BOCS on otherwise the currents will cause additional offset errors

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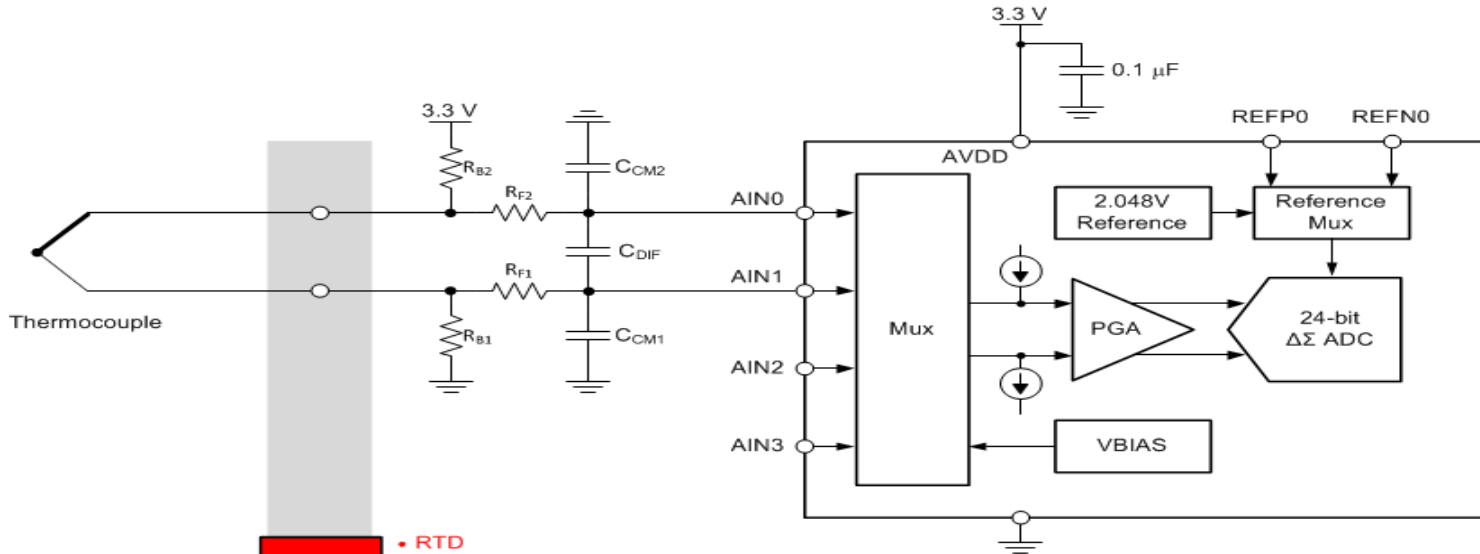


- Use of pull-up resistor together with  $V_{BIAS}$
- Detection 'on the fly' but again potential issue of bias current causing additional errors

Cold Junction Compensation

**CJC**

# CJC (Cold Junction Compensation)



- Temp. Sensor
- RTD
- PTC/NTC
- Analog Output Temp Sensor
- Digital Output Temp Sensor

Isothermal Block

- The thermoelectric voltage  $V_{TC}$  developing across the thermocouple terminals is proportional to the temperature difference between the thermocouple tip and the terminals (cold junction)
- Therefore the temperature of the cold junction has to be known

# CJC Algorithm

- CJC not automatically performed in our ADCs.  
Has to be implemented in the MCU
- Algorithm:
  1. Measure the thermocouple voltage,  $V_{TC}$
  2. Measure the temperature of the cold junction,  $T_{CJ}$
  3. Convert the cold-junction temperature into an equivalent thermoelectric voltage,  $V_{CJ}$ , using the tables or equations provided by NIST.
  4. Add  $V_{TC}$  and  $V_{CJ}$  and translate the summation back into a thermocouple temperature using the NIST tables or equations again.

# CJC Example

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Extension Grade

## Revised Thermocouple Reference Tables

**TYPE K**  
Reference Tables  
N.I.S.T.  
Monograph 175  
Revised to ITS-90

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°C	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	°C	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	°C
0	0.000	0.039	0.079	0.119	0.158	0.198	0.238	0.277	0.317	0.357	0.397	1100	45.119	45.157	45.194	45.232	45.270	45.308	45.346	45.383	45.421	45.459	45.497	1100
10	0.397	0.437	0.477	0.517	0.557	0.597	0.637	0.677	0.718	0.758	0.798	1110	45.497	45.534	45.572	45.610	45.647	45.685	45.723	45.760	45.798	45.836	45.873	1110
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30	1.203	1.244	1.285	1.326	1.366	1.407	1.448	1.489	1.530	1.571	1.612	1130	46.249	46.286	46.324	46.361	46.398	46.436	46.473	46.511	46.548	46.585	46.623	1130
40	1.612	1.653	1.694	1.735	1.776	1.817	1.858	1.899	1.941	1.982	2.023	1140	46.623	46.660	46.697	46.735	46.772	46.809	46.847	46.884	46.921	46.958	46.995	1140

- $T_{CJ} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$
- $V_{TC} = 45.809\text{mV}$
- $T_{TC} = ?$

Accuracy

Resolution

# **ERROR ANALYSIS**

# Error Analysis using ADS1248

ADS1248	TYP	Unit
Offset	15	uV
Offset Drift	0.01	uV/°C
Gain Error	0.005	%
Gain Error Drift	3	ppm/°C
INL	6	ppm
Reference Voltage	2.048	V
Reference Voltage Initial Accuracy	0.015	%
Reference Drift	6	ppm/°C
PGA Gain	32	V/V
rms Noise @ 20SPS/Gain=32	0.12	uV



# Initial ADC Errors at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

Errors due to 'Error Source x' (ESx) at max. thermocouple temperature  
( $V_{\text{TC MAX}} = 54.886\text{mV}$  @  $1370^\circ\text{C}$ )

**ES1**  
Offset Voltage

15uV

**ES2**  
INL

$(\text{INL} \cdot \text{FS}_{\text{ADC}}) / \text{Gain} = (\text{INL} \cdot 2 \cdot V_{\text{REF}}) / \text{Gain} = (6\text{ppm} \cdot 2 \cdot 2.048\text{V}) / 32 = 0.77\text{uV}$

**ES3**  
Gain Error

$(\text{GE} \cdot V_{\text{TC MAX}}) = 0.005\% \cdot 54.886\text{mV} = 2.74\text{uV}$

**ES4**  
Reference Accuracy

$0.015\% \cdot 54.886\text{mV} = 8.23\text{uV}$

**Overall ADC Error**  
@  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

$\sqrt{\text{ES1}^2 + \text{ES2}^2 + \text{ES3}^2 + \text{ES4}^2} = 17.3\text{uV}$

(\*) Errors due to bias or ADC input currents and external filter components have been neglected

# Overall ADC Error at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

- Overall Voltage Error @  $T_A=25^\circ\text{C}$ : 17.3uV
- Type-K Thermocouple Sensitivity: 40uV/ $^\circ\text{C}$
- Temperature Error:  $17.3\text{uV} / 40\text{uV}/^\circ\text{C} = 0.43^\circ\text{C}$
- This is the error introduced by the ADC only.  
It can typically be calibrated using offset and gain calibration.
- Other errors like
  - Accuracy of the CJC measurement
  - Offset voltages due to bias and input leakage currents
  - Accuracy of the thermocouple itself
  - Non-linearity of thermocouple

have to be taken into account as well in order to determine the overall system accuracy.

# ADC Errors due to Temperature Drift

- Ambient Temperature Range: -40°C to 85°C
- Max. Deviation from 25°C: 65°C

**ES1**  
Offset Voltage Drift

$$0.01\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C} \cdot 65^\circ\text{C} = 0.65\mu\text{V}$$

**ES2**  
Gain Error Drift

$$3\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C} \cdot 54.886\text{mV} \cdot 65^\circ\text{C} = 10.7\mu\text{V}$$

**ES3**  
Reference Drift

$$6\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C} \cdot 54.886\text{mV} \cdot 65^\circ\text{C} = 21.4\mu\text{V}$$

**Overall Drift Error**

$$\sqrt{\text{ES1}^2 + \text{ES2}^2 + \text{ES3}^2} = 23.9\mu\text{V}$$

# Errors due to Temperature Drift

- Overall Temperature Drift Error: 23.9 $\mu$ V
- Type-K Thermocouple Sensitivity: 40 $\mu$ V/ $^{\circ}$ C
- Temperature Error:  $23.9\mu\text{V} / 40\mu\text{V}/^{\circ}\text{C} = 0.59^{\circ}\text{C}$
  
- Chopping the inputs can eliminate offset drift errors.  
You need to make sure the input signal is settled before taking a reading using the swapped inputs.

# Achievable Resolution with ADS1248

Table 1. Noise in  $\mu\text{V}_{\text{RMS}}$  and ( $\mu\text{V}_{\text{PP}}$ )  
at  $\text{AVDD} = 5\text{V}$ ,  $\text{AVSS} = 0\text{V}$ , and External Reference = 2.5V

DATA RATE (SPS)	PGA SETTING							
	1	2	4	8	16	32	64	128
5	1.1 (4.99)	0.68 (3.8)	0.37 (1.9)	0.19 (0.98)	0.1 (0.44)	0.07 (0.31)	0.05 (0.27)	0.05 (0.21)
10	1.53 (8.82)	0.82 (3.71)	0.5 (2.69)	0.27 (1.33)	0.15 (0.67)	0.08 (0.5)	0.06 (0.36)	0.07 (0.34)
20	2.32 (13.37)	1.23 (6.69)	0.71 (3.83)	0.34 (1.9)	0.18 (1.01)	0.12 (0.71)	0.10 (0.51)	0.09 (0.54)

- LSB size: 
$$\frac{2 \times V_{\text{REF}}}{2^{24} \times \text{Gain}} = \frac{2 \times 2.048 \text{ V}}{2^{24} \times 32} = 7.6 \text{ nV}$$
- Input referred Noise:  $0.71 \mu\text{V}_{\text{pp}}$
- Type-K Thermocouple Sensitivity:  $40 \mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$
- Temperature Resolution per Code:  $7.6 \text{ nV} / 40 \mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C} = 0.0002^\circ\text{C}$
- Noise Free Temperature Resolution:  $0.71 \mu\text{V}_{\text{pp}} / 40 \mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C} = 0.018^\circ\text{C}$

# Suitable ADCs

High-End PLC Input Modules,  
Data Loggers

ADS1262  
ADS1263

Temperature Transmitters, Data Loggers,  
Lower-End PLC Input Modules

ADS1247/48  
ADS124S06/08

Temperature Transmitters

ADS1220  
ADS122C04

*Integration  
Accuracy/Resolution  
Power Consumption*

# ADS1248

24-bit, 7-Ch, 2kSPS Low Noise ADC | Reference | Oscillator | PGA | Temp Sensor | Current Sources

## Features

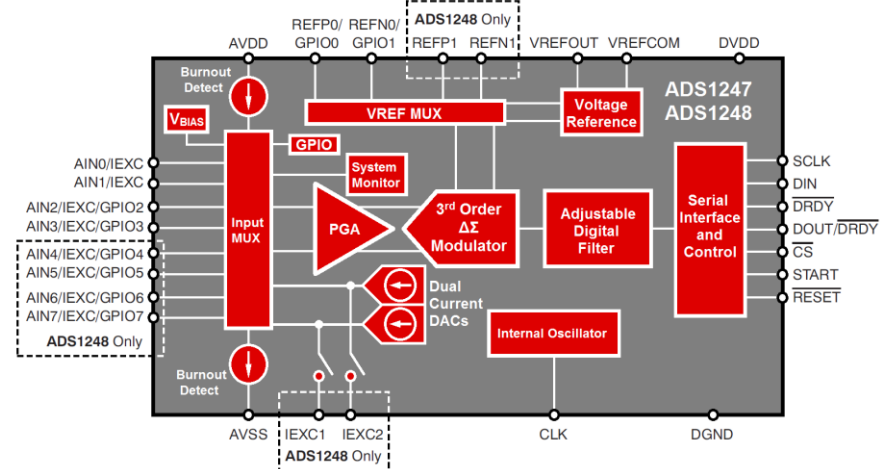
- **Flexible Device Family:**
  - Inputs: **7 Single-Ended | 4 Differential**
  - Supply Range: **±2.5V (Bipolar) / 5V (Unipolar)**
  - Variable Output Data Rate: **5SPS to 2kSPS**
- **50/60Hz Simultaneous Rejection Mode (20SPS)**
- **On-Chip Integration:**
  - Low Drift Reference: **2.048V**
  - Low Noise PGA: **80nV @ G = 128**
  - Dual, Matched IDACs: **50–1500µA**
  - Oscillator | Temp Sensor | Burnout Detect
  - GPIO's: **8**

## Applications

- Temperature Measurement: **RTDs | Thermocouples | Thermistors**
- Flow/Pressure Measurement
- Industrial Process Control

## Benefits

- With all of the necessary parts on board coupled with no sacrifice in performance, the ADS1248 is the ultimate temperature sensor measurement solution
- Very flexible analog front end enables an easy design path for developers and allows for integration into a wide range of applications
- A high level of integration eliminates the need for several discrete components, reducing board space as well as BOM costs
- Large family of sensor-ready products provides a scalable solution



# ADS124S06 / ADS124S08

24-bit, 4 kSPS, 6/12-Ch  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC for Precision Sensor Measurement

## Features

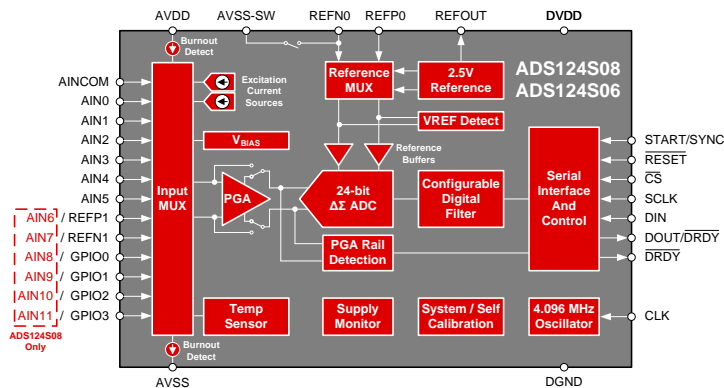
Resolution	24	Low-Noise PGA (19 nV @ G=128)
# of Ch	6 / 12	
Sample Rate	4 kSPS	Low-Drift Reference (10 ppm/°C max)
Interface	SPI	
AVDD	2.7 V to 5.25 V ±2.5 V	2x Current Sources (IDACs)
DVDD	2.7 V to 3.6 V	
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential	High Accuracy Oscillator (1.5%)
Temperature Range	-50°C to +125°C	
Package	5 mm x 5 mm (QFN-32 / TQFP-32)	

## Applications

- Temperature Measurement: RTDs | Thermocouples | Thermistors
- Pressure Sensors
- Electro-Magnetic Flow Meters
- Universal PLC / DCS Analog Input Modules
- Weigh Scales

## Benefits

- Low-noise PGA** enables precision measurements for the smallest input signals
- Low-drift integrated voltage reference** reduces system cost and size while still offering high precision and accuracy
- Dual, matched IDACs** can be used for RTD biasing, reducing BOM size and solution cost
- High-accuracy oscillator** enables better 50/60 Hz rejection than competitors for noisy industrial environments



Device	# of Ch	Resolution	Device	# of Ch	Resolution
ADS124S08	12	24	ADS114S08	12	16
ADS124S06	6		ADS114S06	6	



# ADS124S06/8 – Improved Features

24-bit, 6/12-Ch, 4kSPS Delta-Sigma ADC for Precision Sensor Measurement

## Better Performance vs. ADS1248

- 30% lower power consumption (280 $\mu$ A w/ PGA bypassed & external reference)
- 20% lower noise (19nV<sub>RMS</sub> @ G = 128, 2.5SPS)
- 60% smaller package (5x5mm QFN & 7x7mm TQFP)
- 1.5% accurate oscillator
- Guaranteed input leakage current of 2nA over temperature
- Single-ended input measurement capability @ G=1
- Wider temperature range: -50°C to +125°C

## Improved Design vs. ADS1248

- Additional data rate options: 2.5 | 16.6 | 50 | 60 | 4000
- Increased reference voltage: 2.5V
- Extended reference input voltage range → now includes AVDD
- Improved IDAC performance: compliance voltage, noise, drift, matching, etc.
- Expanded feature set: Reference Detect | PGA Out-of-Range Detection | Low-Side Switch
- Simplified SPI interface
- Optional 8-bit CRC

# ADS1120 / ADS1220

Low Power, 16/24-bit, 2 kSPS, 4-Ch  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC for Small Signal Sensors

## Features

Resolution	16 / 24
# of Ch	4
Sample Rate	2 kSPS
Interface	SPI
AVDD	2.3 V to 5.5 V $\pm 2.5$ V
DVDD	2.3 V to 5.5 V
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential
Temperature Range	-40°C to +125°C
Package	3.5 x 3.5 mm (QFN-16) 5 x 4.4 mm (TSSOP-16)

Integration: PGA, VREF,  
OSC, Temp Sensor

2x Current Sources  
(IDACs)

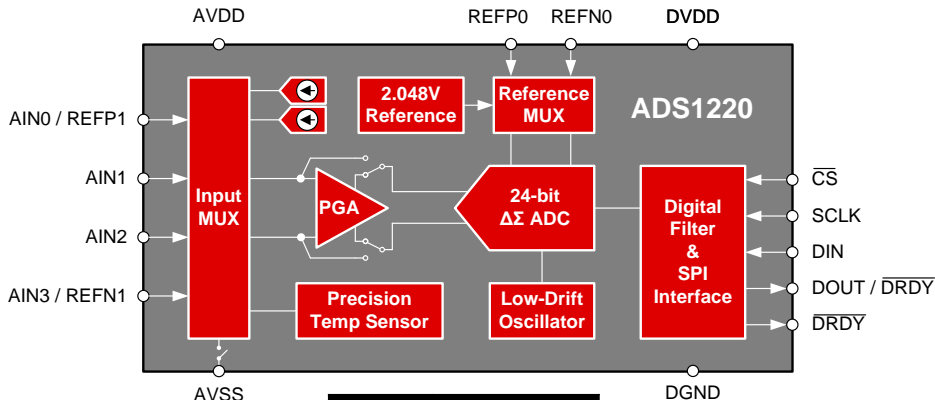
Low-Side Bridge Switch

2x VREF Input &  
External CLKIN

- Temperature Measurement: RTDs | Thermocouples | Thermistors
- Heat Meters
- 4-20mA Loop-Powered Transmitters
- Pressure / Bridge Sensors
- Electro-Magnetic Flow Meters
- Portable Instrumentation

## Benefits

- Lots of **integrated features** provide a complete analog front end for DC sensing applications that reduce system cost and size
- Dual, matched IDACs** can be used for RTD biasing, reducing BOM size and solution cost
- Low-side switch** saves power when measuring resistive bridges by breaking current path
- Dual VREF inputs** along with **CLKIN pin** enable maximum design flexibility when external components are required



Device	Resolution
ADS1220	24-bit
ADS1120	16-bit



# ADS112C04 / ADS122C04

16/24-bit, 2 kSPS, 4-Ch Sensor Measurement  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC with 2-Wire I2C Interface

## Features

Resolution	16 / 24
# of Ch	4
Sample Rate	2 kSPS
Interface	I2C
AVDD	2.3 V to 5.5 V
DVDD	2.3 V to 5.5 V
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential
Temperature Range	-40°C to +125°C
Package	3 x 3 mm (QFN-16) 5 x 4.4 mm (TSSOP-16)

2-Wire I2C Interface

2x Current Sources  
(IDACs)

Integration: PGA, VREF,  
OSC, Temp Sensor

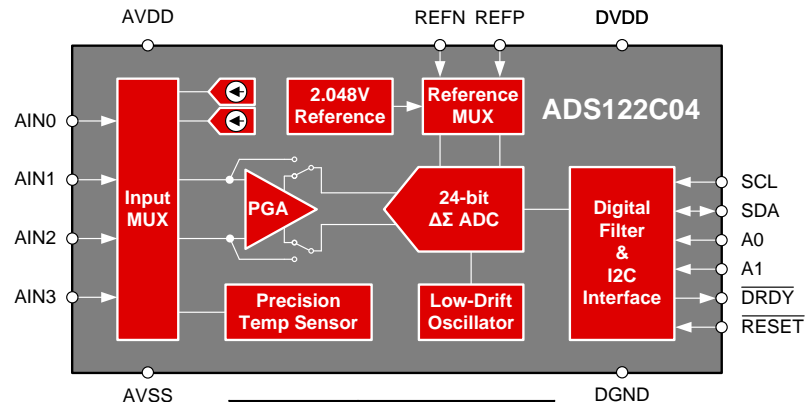
Conversion Counter &  
CRC

## Applications

- Temperature Measurement: RTDs | Thermocouples | Thermistors
- Heat Meters
- 4-20mA Loop-Powered Transmitters
- Pressure / Bridge Sensors
- Portable Instrumentation

## Benefits

- Simple, 2-wire I<sup>2</sup>C interface requires fewer isolation lines compared to SPI interface
- Dual, matched IDACs can be used for RTD biasing, reducing BOM size and solution cost
- Lots of integrated features provide a complete analog front end for DC sensing applications that reduce system cost and size
- Conversion counter & CRC provide device health feedback to help maintain reliable system operation



Device	Resolution
ADS122C04	24-bit
ADS112C04	16-bit



# ADS1260 / ADS1261

24-bit, 40 kSPS, 5/10-Ch  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC w/ Low Noise in 5 mm x 5 mm QFN

## Features

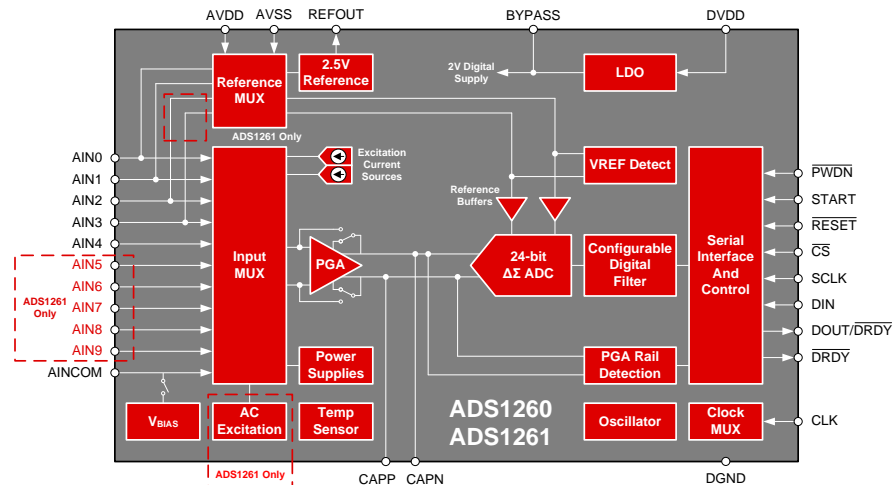
Resolution	24	Low-Noise PGA (6 nV <sub>RMS</sub> @ G=128, 2.5 SPS)
# of Ch	5 / 10	
Sample Rate	40 kSPS	Small 5 mm x 5 mm QFN Package
Interface	SPI	
AVDD	4.75 V to 5.25 V ±2.5 V	AC Excitation (ADS1261 only)
DVDD	2.7 V to 5.25 V	
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential	Monitoring & Diagnostics
Temperature Range	-40°C to +125°C	
Package	5 mm x 5 mm (QFN-32)	

## Applications

- PLC Analog Input Modules:
  - 4-20 mA | 10 V | RTD | Thermocouple
- DAQ and Dynamic Strain Analyzers
- Gas Chromatographs / Flow Meters
- Weigh Scale / Resistive Bridge Measurements

## Benefits

- Low-noise PGA** enables precision measurements for the smallest input signals
- Small 5x5 mm QFN package** reduces system footprint while still providing a highly-integrated, high-performance solution
- AC-excitation** drive for H-bridge chopping helps remove offset and offset drift errors to improve system accuracy
- Monitoring & diagnostic** features help improve system reliability



# ADS1262 / ADS1263

32-bit, 38 kSPS, 10-Ch, Best-in-Class Industrial  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC

## Features

Resolution	32
# of Ch	10
Sample Rate	38 kSPS
Interface	SPI
AVDD	4.75 V to 5.25 V $\pm 2.5$ V
DVDD	1.8 V to 3.6 V
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential
Temperature Range	-40°C to +125°C
Package	9.7 mm x 4.4 mm (TSSOP-28)

**Low Noise:** 7 nV<sub>RMS</sub>  
**Low Offset Drift:** 1 nV/°C  
**Highly-Linear:** 3 ppm

**Highly-Integrated:**  
PGA, VREF, OSC, IDACs

**Fault Diagnostics & Monitoring**

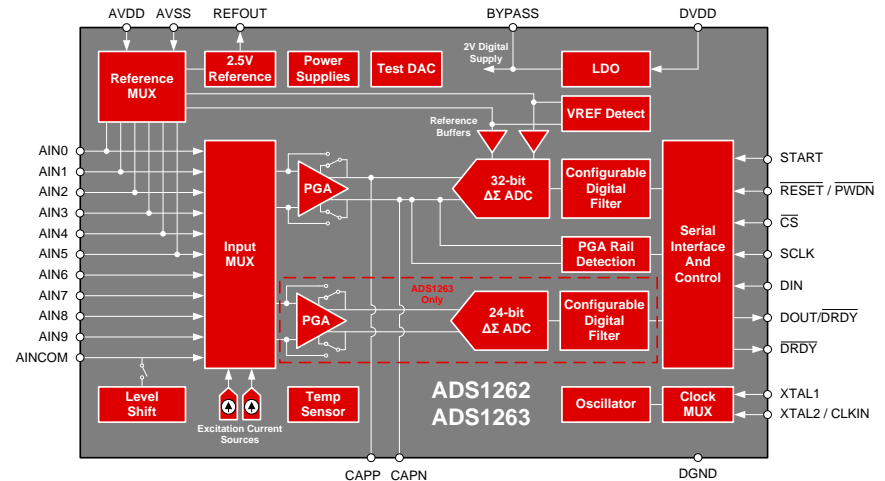
**Auxiliary 24-bit ADC**  
(ADS1263 only)

## Applications

- PLC Analog Input Modules
- Differential Pressure Flow Meters
- High Precision Weigh Scales
- Gas Chromatography
- Analytical Equipment

## Benefits

- High-resolution, low-drift** architecture provides the industry's best performing ADC
- A high level of integration** reduces necessary external components saving cost & space while reducing complexity
- Fault detection** improves reliability in industrial systems
- Use ADS1263's **auxiliary, 24-bit signal path** for temp monitoring in precision applications such as flow meters & weigh scales



# ADS125H01\*\* / ADS125H02

Industry's First  $\pm 20$  V Input, 24-bit, 40kSPS, 1/2-Ch  $\Delta\Sigma$  ADC with High Input Impedance

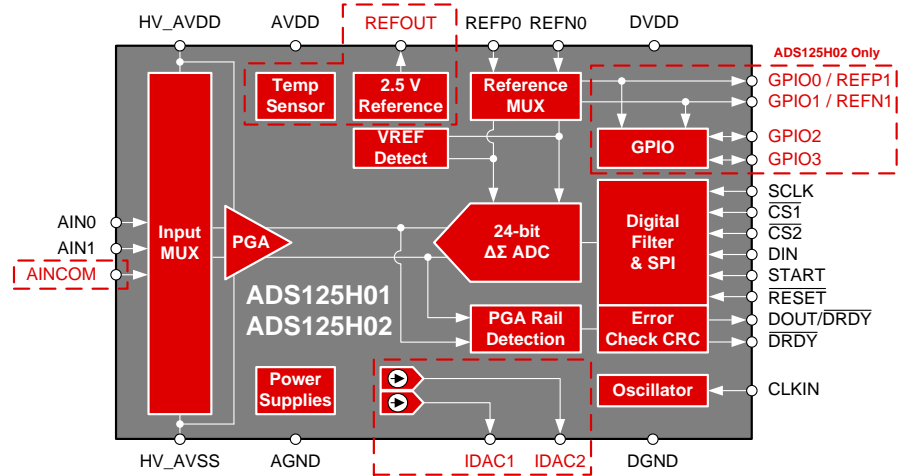
## Features

Resolution	24	Wide FS Input Signal Range: $\pm 20$ mV to $\pm 20$ V
# of Ch	1 / 2	
Sample Rate	40 kSPS	Ultra-Low Noise: 45 nV <sub>RMS</sub> (20 SPS)
Interface	SPI	
CM Range	$\pm 15.5$ V	Small Solution Size: 5 mm x 5 mm QFN
HV AVDD	$\pm 18$ V / 0 V to 36 V	
AVDD	4.75 V to 5.25 V	High Input Impedance: 1 G $\Omega$
DVDD	2.7 V to 5.25 V	
PGA Gains	0.125 to 128 (binary)	
Input Type	Single-Ended Differential	
Temp Range	-40°C to +125°C	
Package	5 mm x 5 mm (QFN-32)	

- TEC Analog Input Modules:
- o  $\pm 10$  V / 4-20 mA
  - o Thermocouple / RTD
  - o Universal Input
  - High-Voltage, Precision T&M
  - o Battery Test Equipment

## Benefits

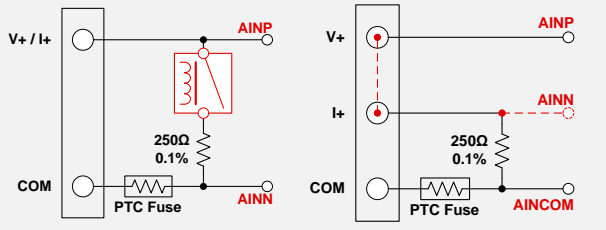
- **Programmable input signal range** accepts high-voltage inputs and low-voltage inputs
- **Low noise PGA + high-resolution 24-bit ADC** suitable for direct connection to bridge / RTD / thermocouple sensors
- **Small form factor, single-chip solution** is >50% smaller than discrete devices, reducing PCB area and simplifying design
- **1-G $\Omega$  input impedance** eliminates measurement errors caused by sensor loading



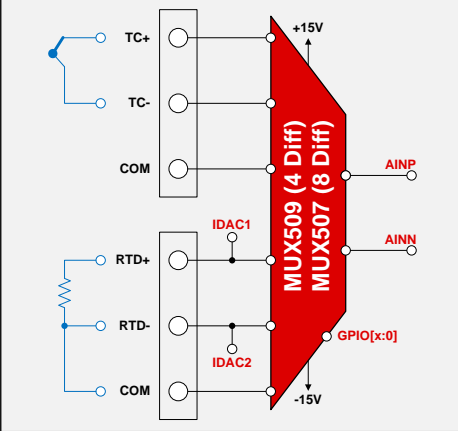
# ADS125H0x – Platform Solution

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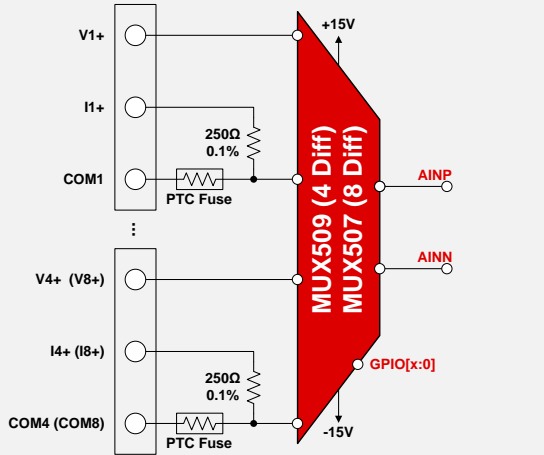
## 2- or 3-Terminal V/I Input



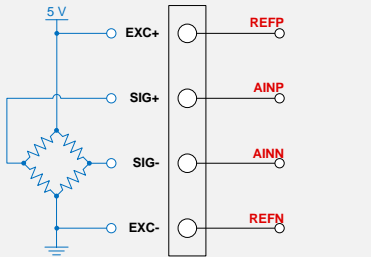
## Temperature Input



## 4- / 8-Channel V/I Input

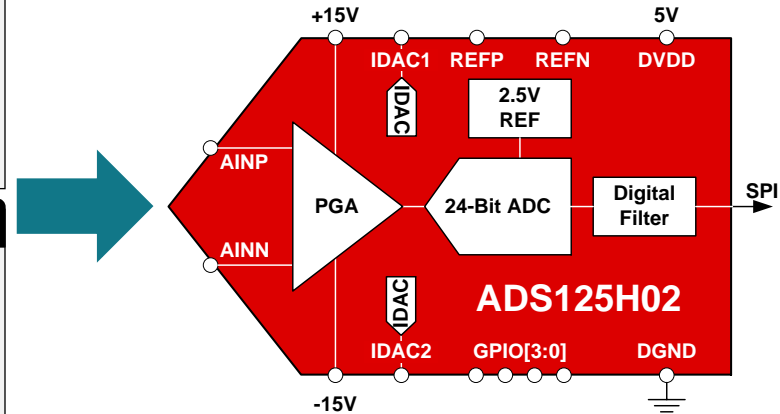


## Pressure / Weight Input



ADS125H02 is a **platform solution** = supports all types of analog inputs and input ranges with 1x ADC:

- **Voltage** ( $\pm 10$ V, 0-10V,  $\pm 5$ V 0-5V)
- **Current** (0-20 mA, 4-20 mA)
- **Temperature** (RTD, TC, thermistor)
- **Pressure / Weight** (resistive bridge)

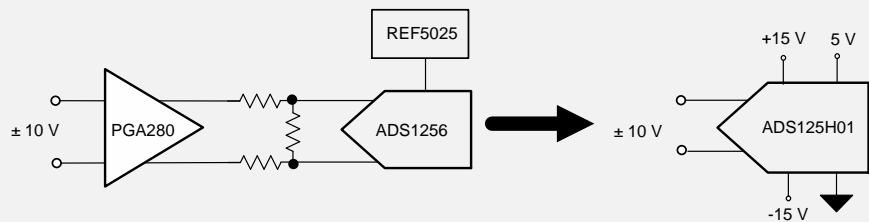


\*\*Note: protection / filtering circuitry not shown

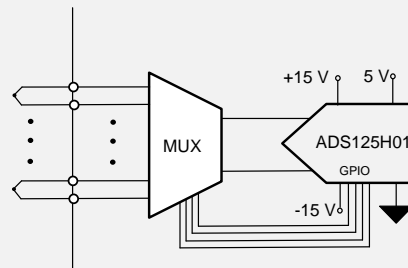
# ADS125H0x – Applications

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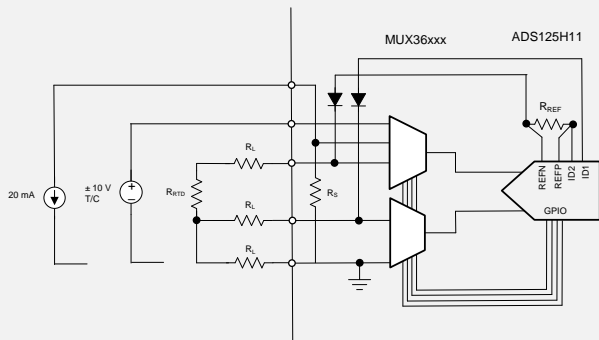
## PLC Single-ch Module (Consolidation)



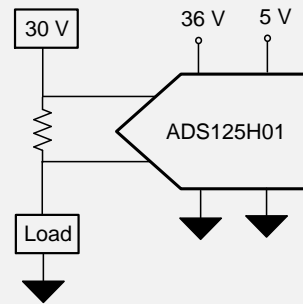
## High CMV Multi-ch Thermocouple



## High-Voltage Universal Input Module



## High-Side Precision Sensing





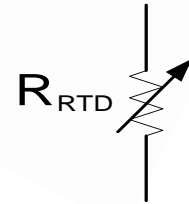
# Designing RTD

## *Theory of Operation & Design Examples*

# RTD

## Resistance Temperature Detector

- Principle of Operation:  
Predictable resistance change
- Mostly made of Platinum
  - linear resistance-temperature relationship
  - chemical inertness
- Pt100 most common device used in industry
  - Nominal Resistance  $R = 100\Omega @ 0^\circ\text{C}$
  - Sensitivity =  $0.385\Omega/^\circ\text{C}$  (typ.)
- Slowly replacing thermocouples in many industrial applications below  $600^\circ\text{C}$



### Advantages

- High accuracy:  $< \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$
- Best stability over time
- Temperature range:  $-200^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+850^\circ\text{C}$
- Good linearity

### Disadvantages

- Expensive
- Excitation required
- Self-heating
- Lead resistance
- Low sensitivity

# What is an RTD made of?

- Platinum (Pt)
- Nickel (Ni)
- Copper (Cu)
- Have relatively linear change in resistance over temp
- Have high resistivity allowing for smaller dimensions
- Either Wire-Wound or Thin-Film

Metal	Resistivity (Ohm/CMF)
Gold (Au)	13
Silver (Ag)	8.8
Copper (Cu)	9.26
Platinum (Pt)	59
Tungsten (W)	30
Nickel (Ni)	36

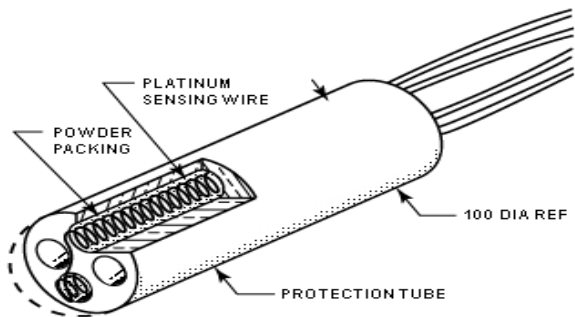


Figure 1. The coiled element sensor, made by inserting the helical sensing wires into a packed powder-filled insulating mandrel, provides a strain-free sensing element.

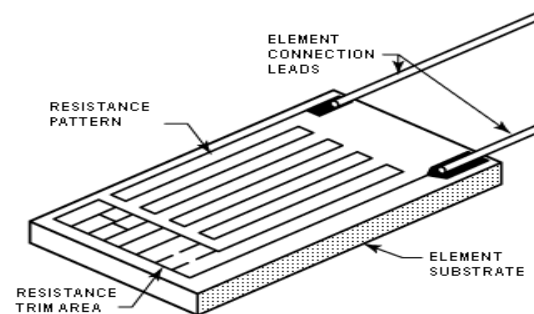


Figure 2. The thin film sensing element is made by depositing a thin layer of platinum in a resistance pattern on a ceramic substrate. A glassy layer is applied for seal and protection.

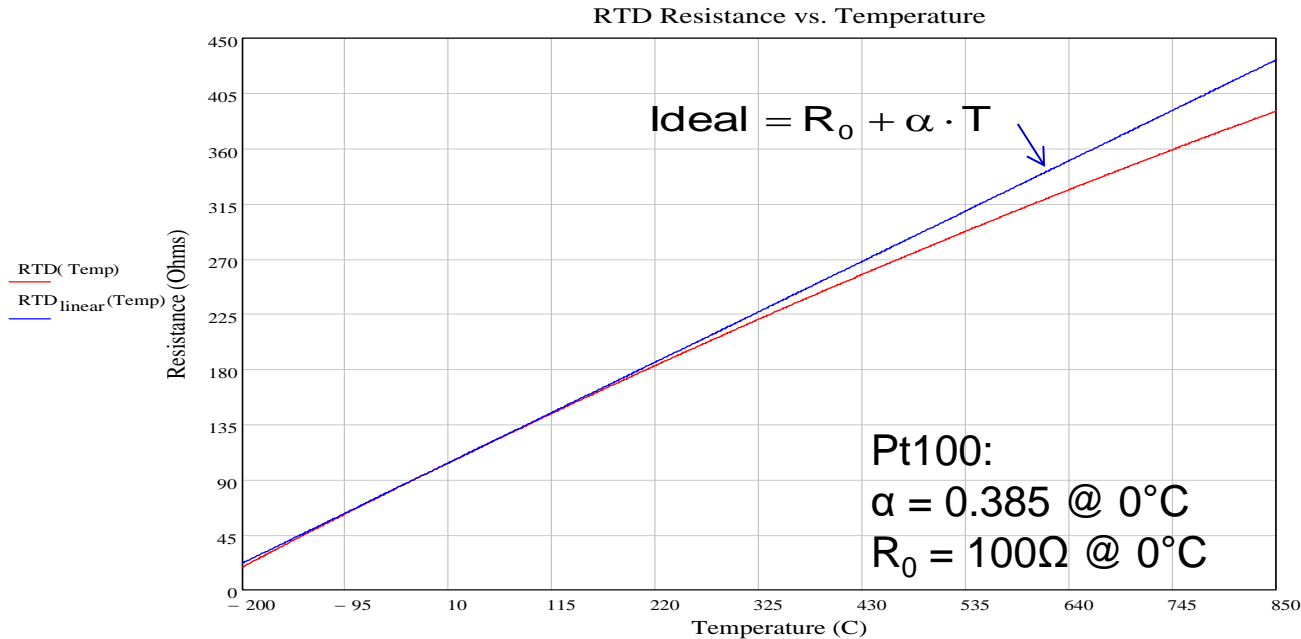
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# RTD Resistance vs. Temperature

## Callendar-Van Dusen Equations

$$T > 0: R_{\text{RTD}}(T) = R_0 \cdot [1 + A \cdot T + B \cdot T^2]$$

$$T < 0: R_{\text{RTD}}(T) = R_0 \cdot [1 + A \cdot T + B \cdot T^2 + C \cdot T^3 \cdot (T - 100)]$$



IEC60751 Constants:

$$R_0 = 100\Omega$$

$$A = 3.9083 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

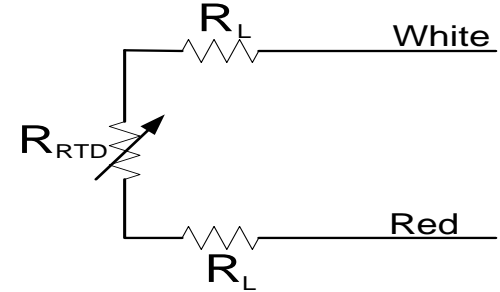
$$B = -5.775 \cdot 10^{-7}$$

$$C = -4.183 \cdot 10^{-12}$$

# Different RTD Types – why do they exist? (I)

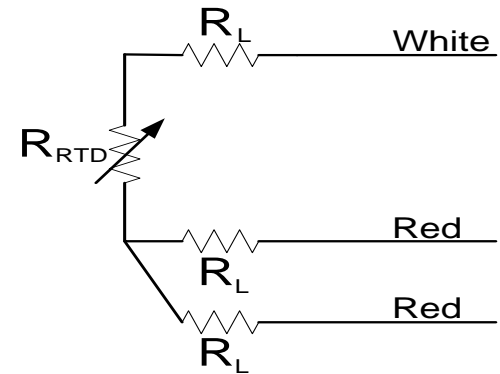
## • 2-Wire RTD

- 2-Wire measurements are simplest to implement
- Good for close proximity to RTD ( $R_L$  is small)
- RTD lead resistance is included in the result
- Tradeoff:
  - Accuracy:  $\text{Error} = 2 \cdot R_L \cdot I_{\text{EXC}}$
  - Cost = Cheapest!



## • 3-Wire RTD

- Allows for  $R_L$  cancellation and remote RTD placement
- Tradeoff:
  - Accuracy = Better
  - Cost = More expensive



# Different RTD Types – why do they exist? (II)

- **4-Wire RTD**

- Kelvin Connection:

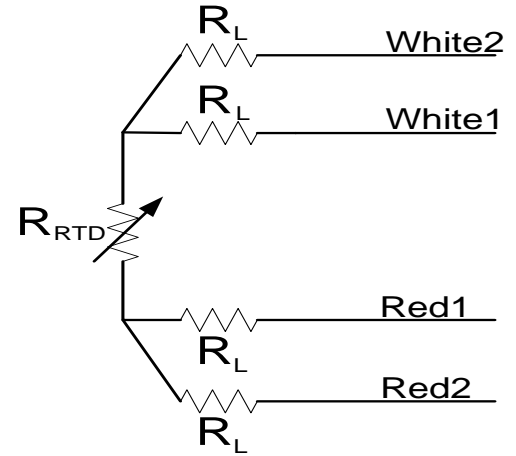
- Isolates the excitation path from the sensing path

- 2 wires carry the excitation current,
      - 2 wires connect to high-impedance measurement circuitry

- Useful when  $R_L$  matching becomes difficult to implement

- Tradeoff:

- Accuracy = Most accurate
    - Cost = Most expensive



Voltage, Non-ratiometric

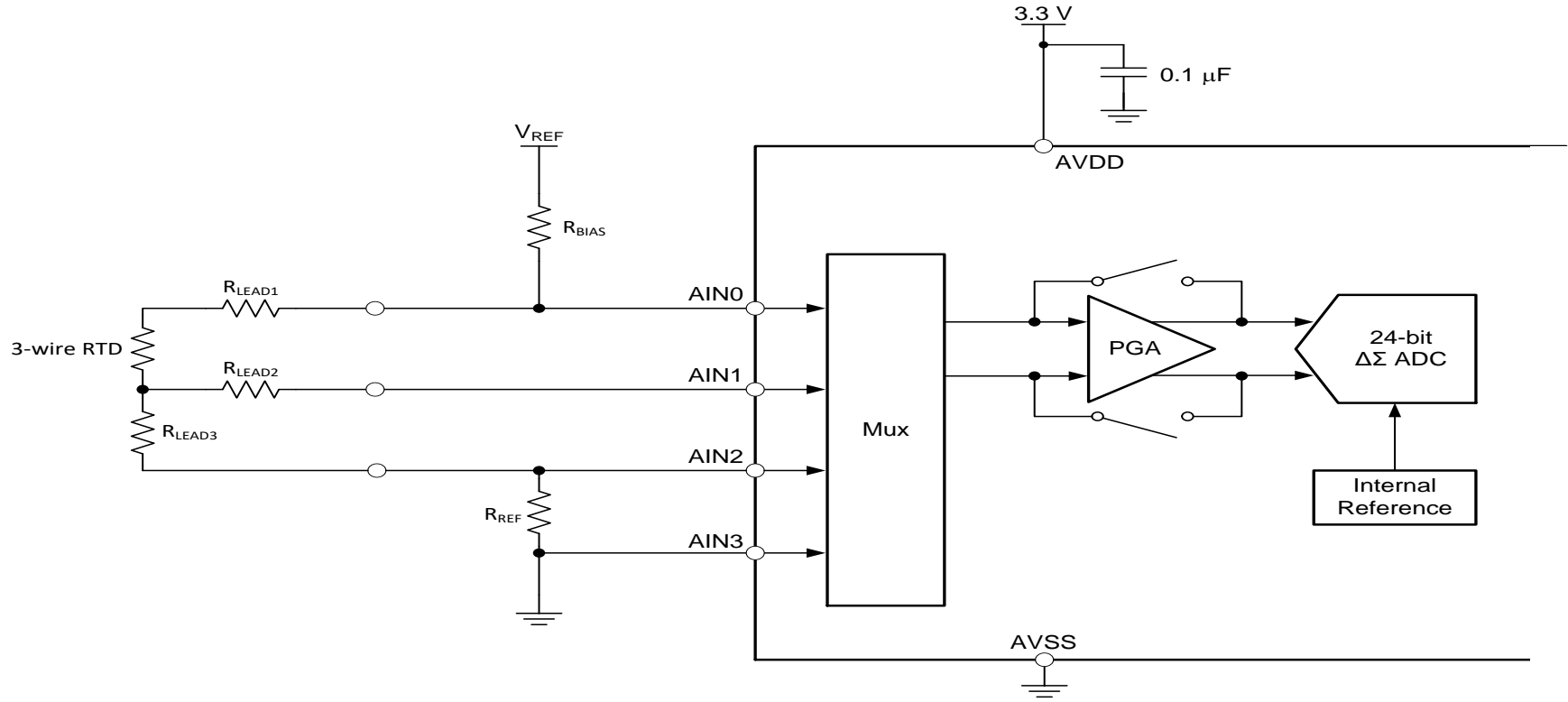
Voltage, Ratiometric

Current, Ratiometric

# **RTD EXCITATION METHODS**

# RTD Excitation Methods (I)

## Voltage, Non-ratiometric

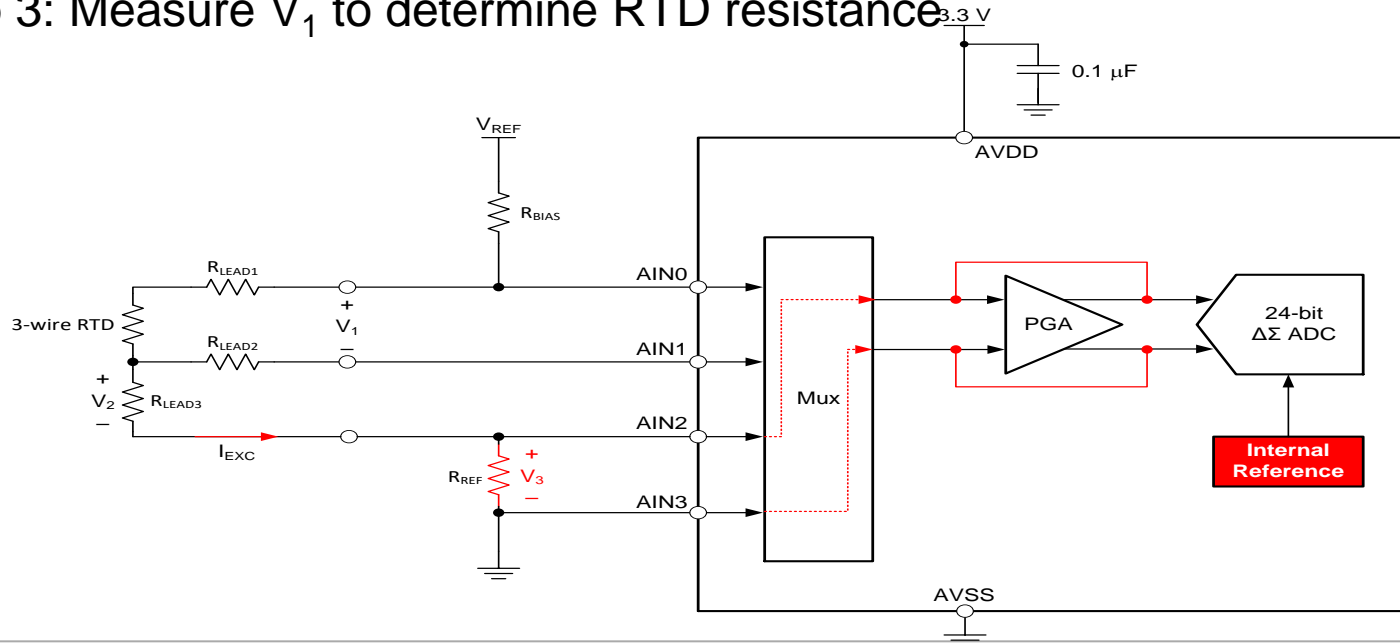




# RTD Excitation Methods (I)

## Voltage, Non-ratiometric

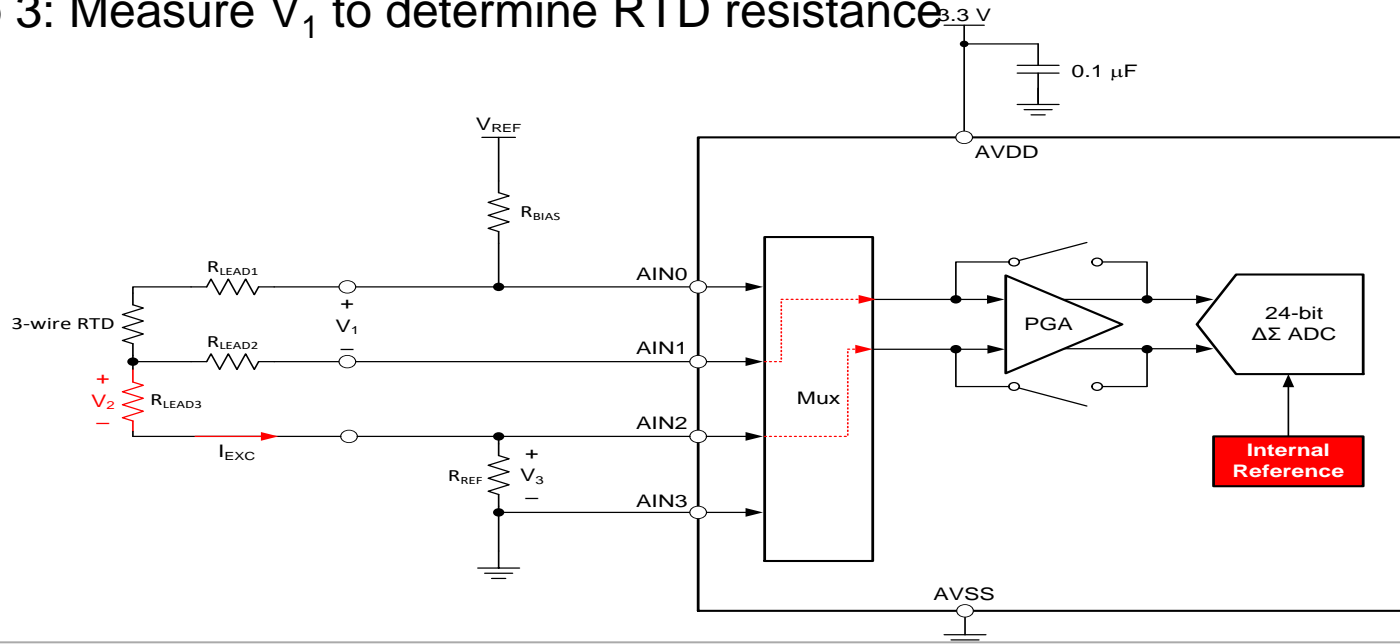
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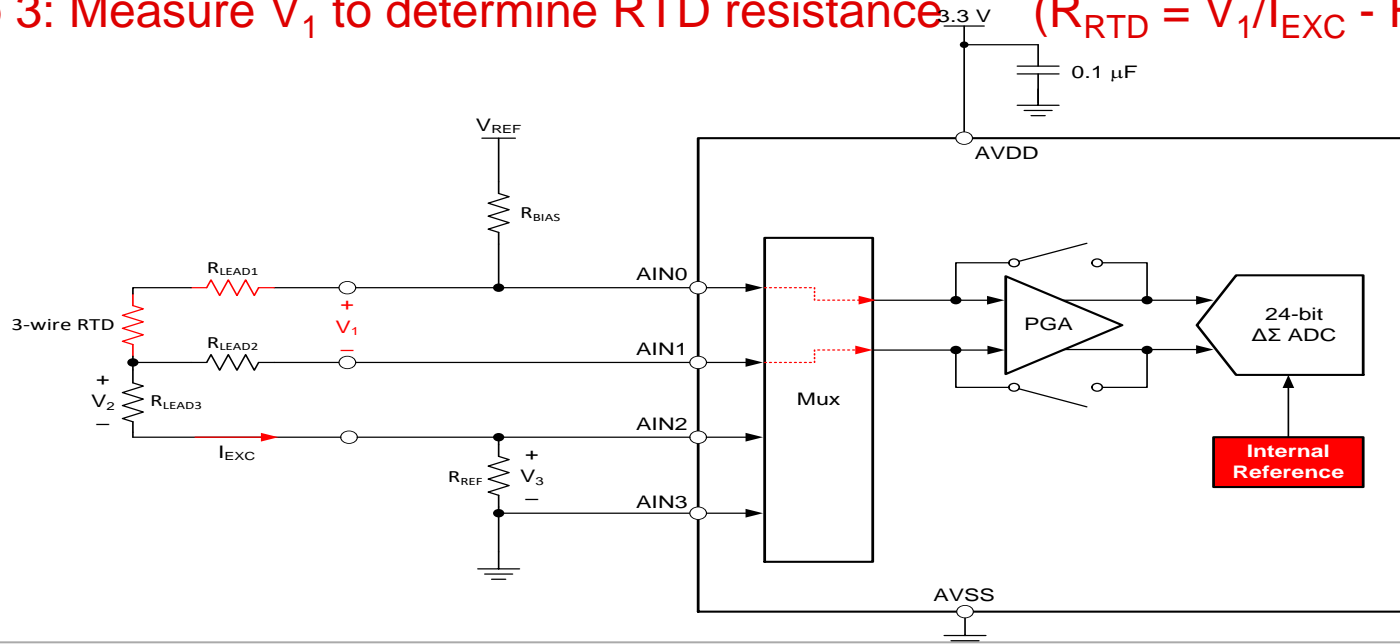
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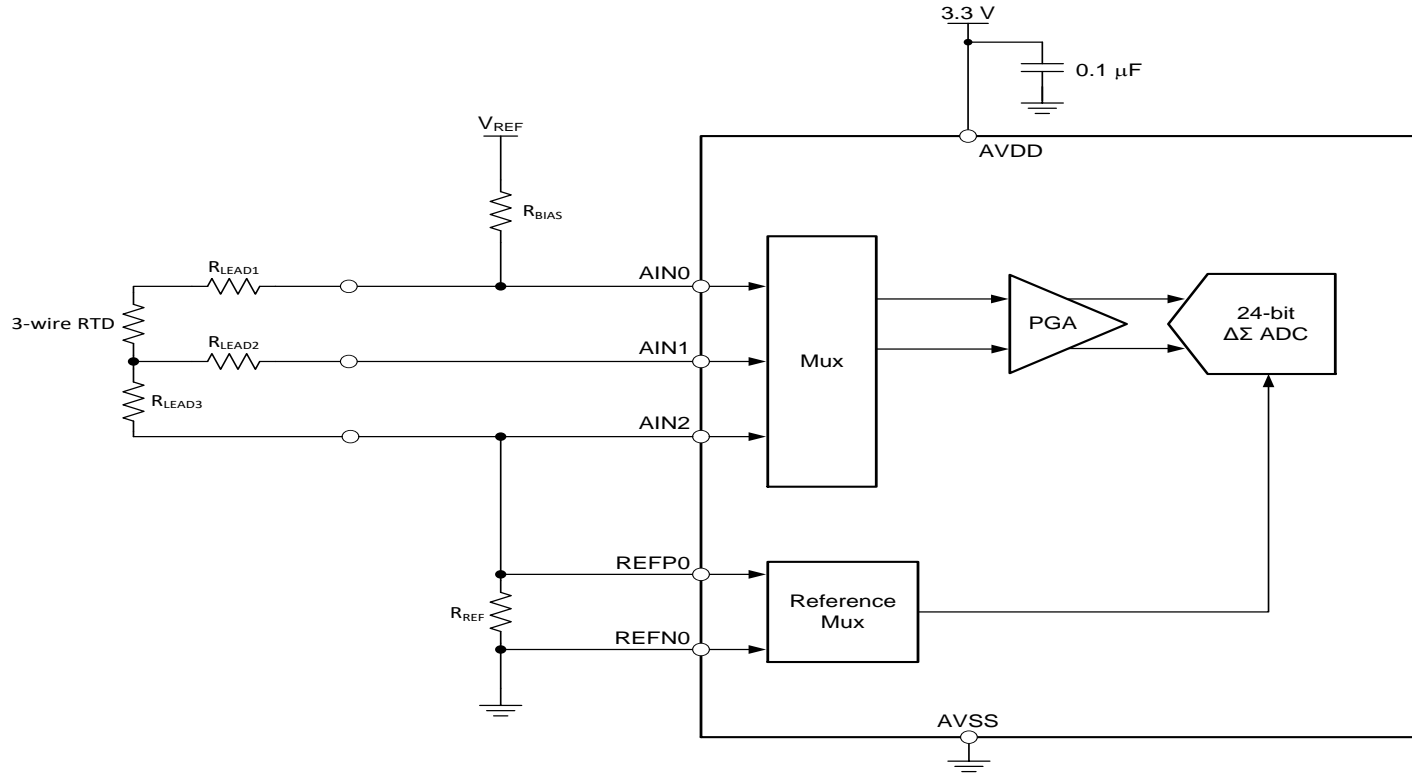
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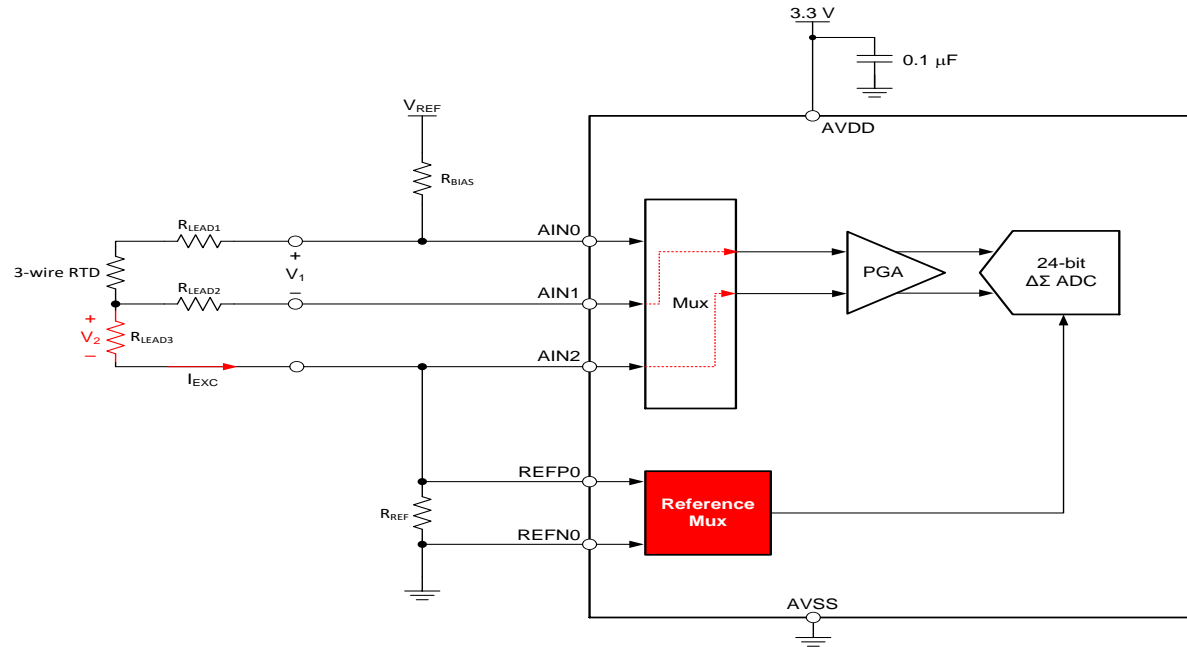
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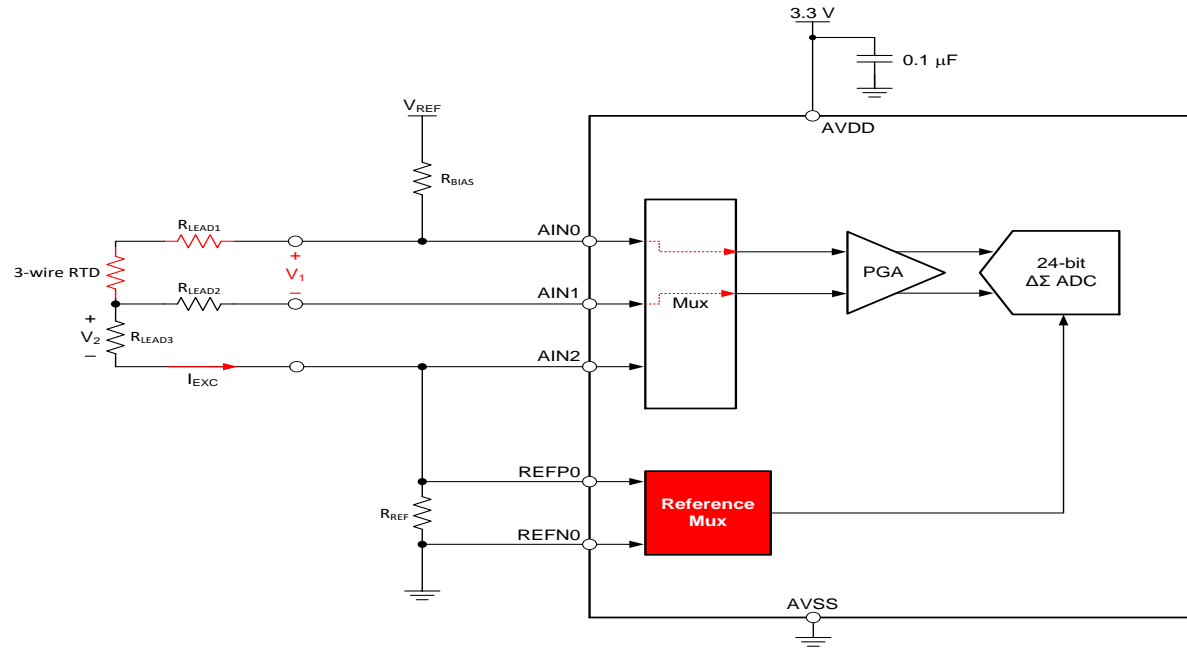
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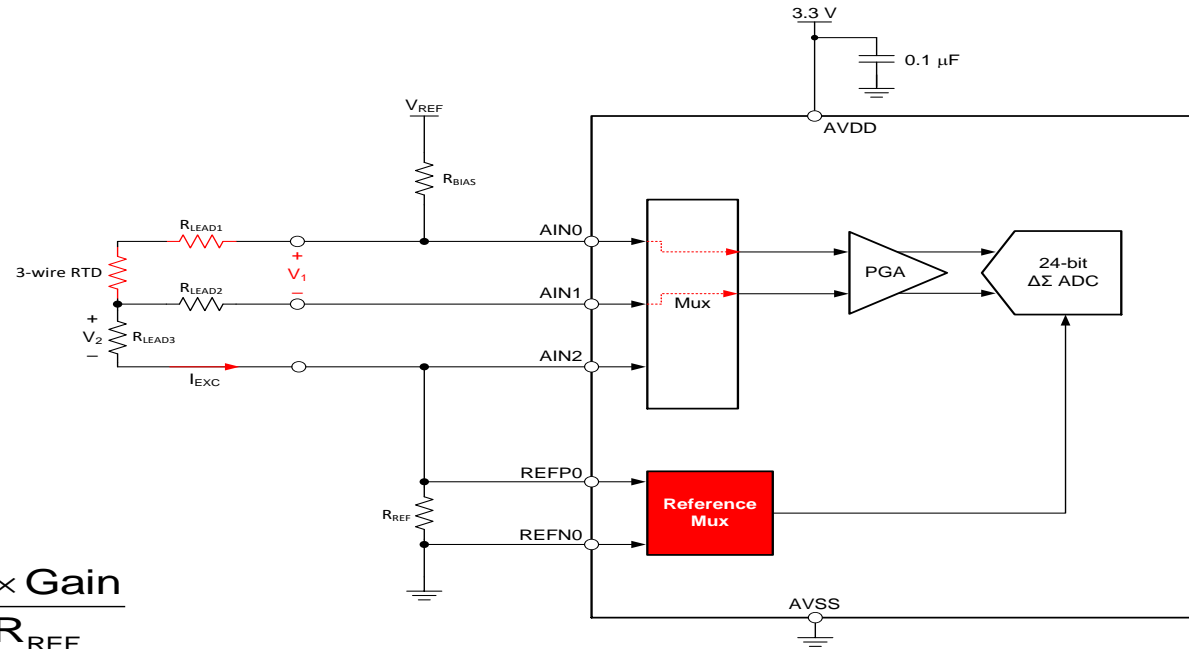


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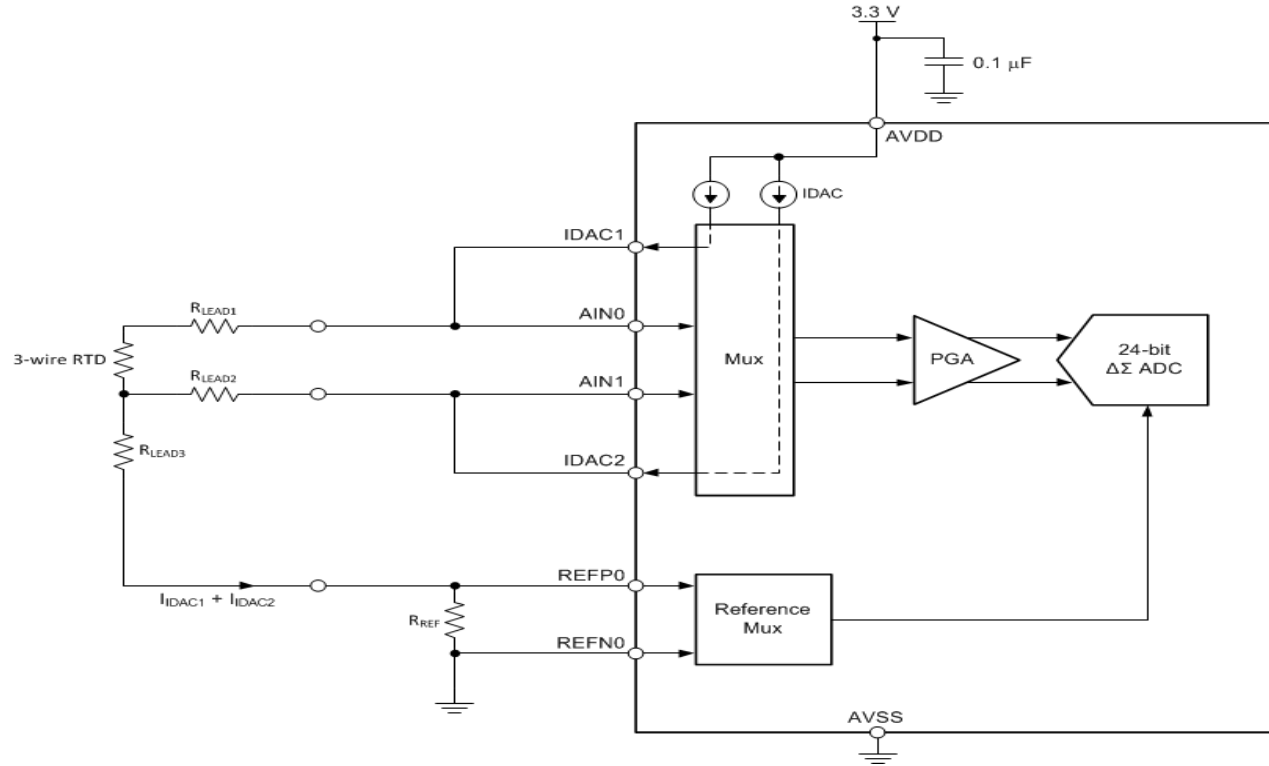
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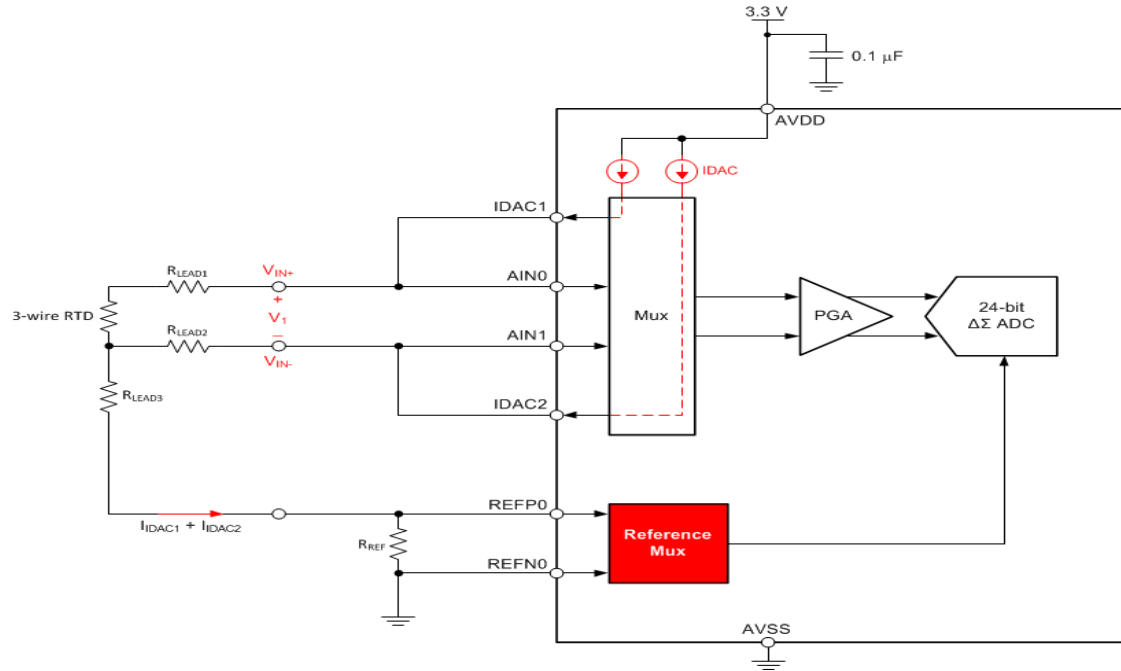




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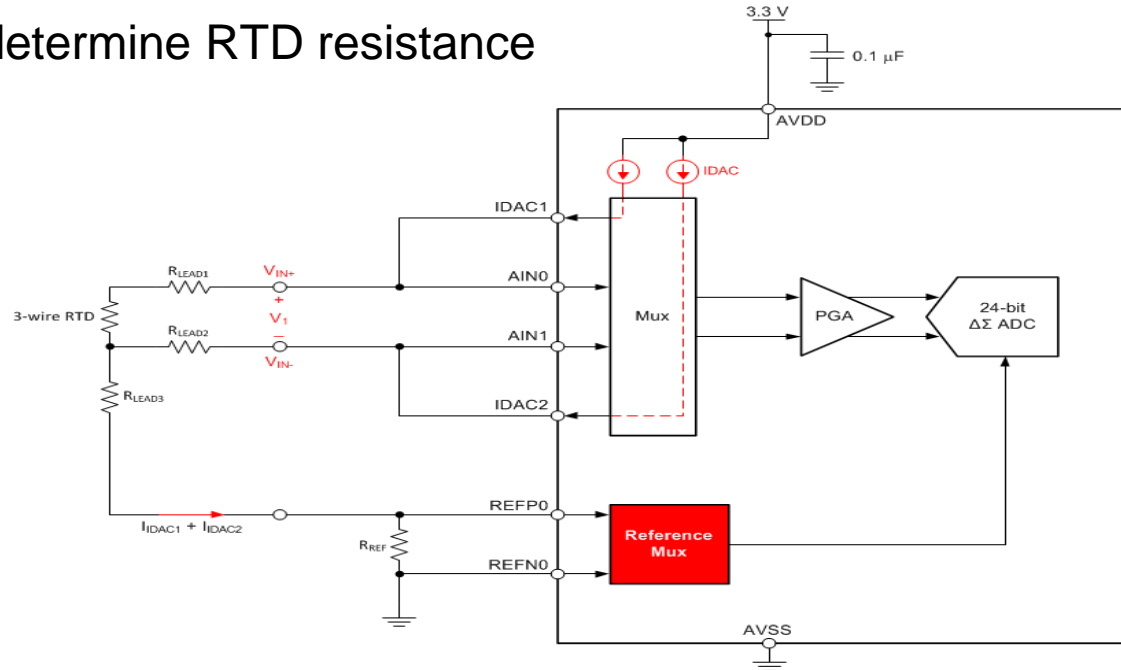
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# RTD Excitation Methods (III)

## Current, Ratiometric

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### $R_{LEAD}$ Cancellation:

$$I_{IDAC1} = I_{IDAC2} = I$$

$$R_{LEAD1} = R_{LEAD2} = R_{LEAD3} = R_{LEAD}$$

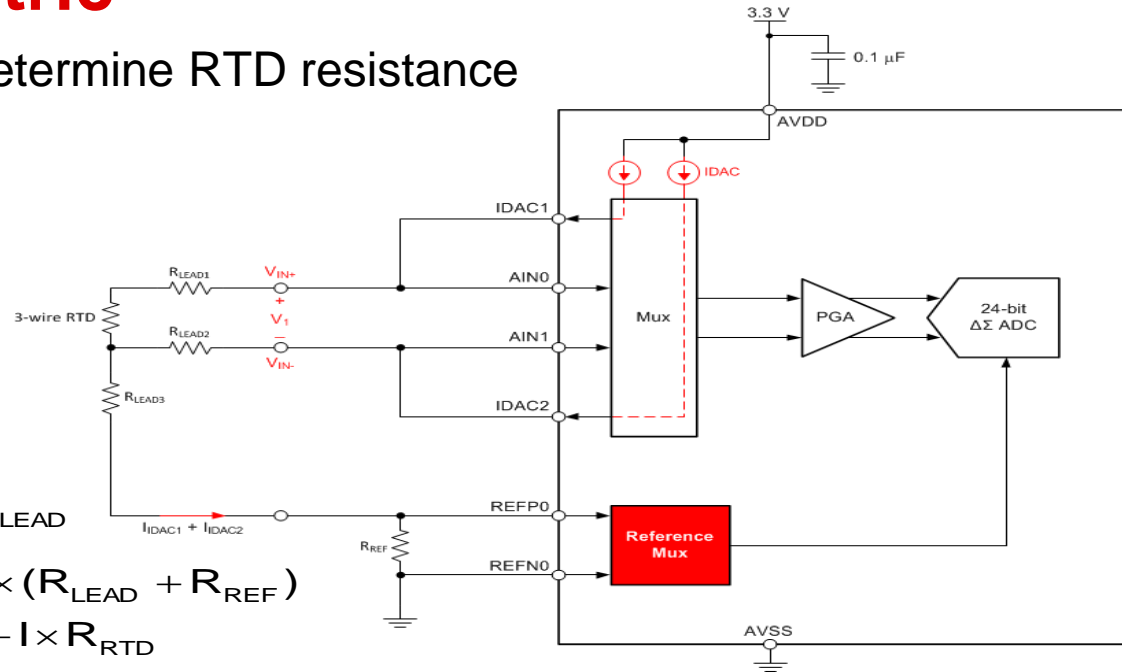
$$V_{IN+} = I \times (R_{LEAD} + R_{RTD}) + 2I \times (R_{LEAD} + R_{REF})$$

$$V_{IN+} = 3I \times R_{LEAD} + 2I \times R_{REF} + I \times R_{RTD}$$

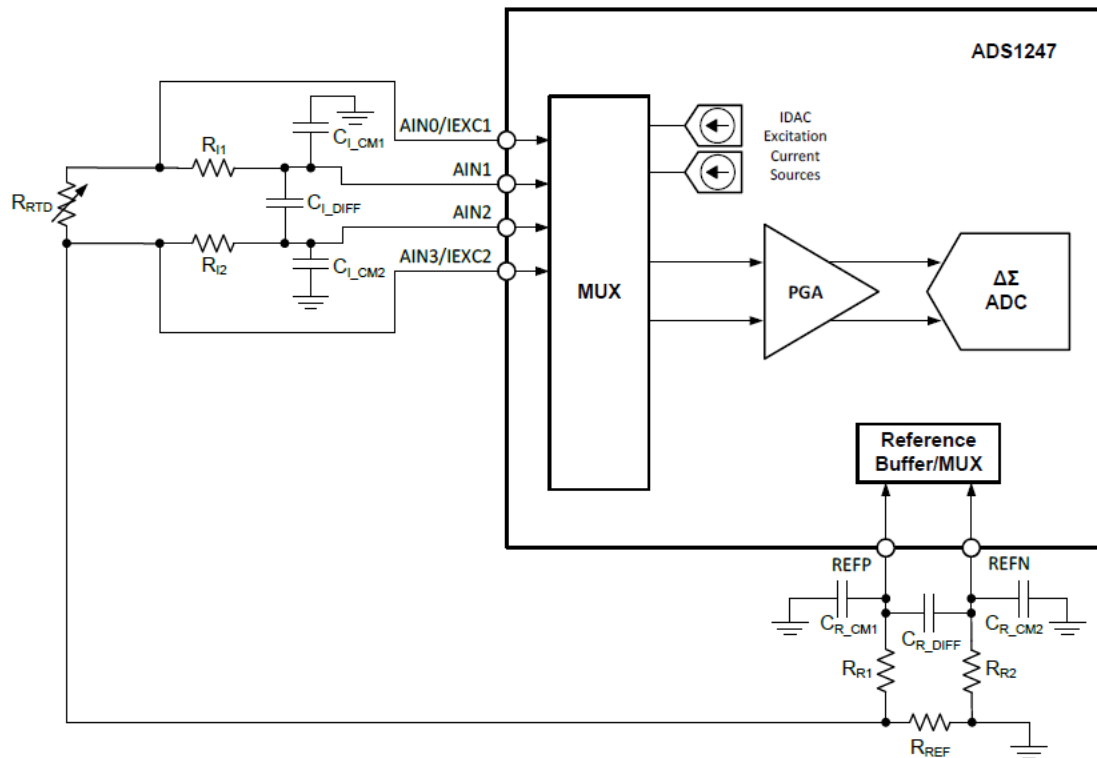
$$V_{IN-} = I \times R_{LEAD} + 2I \times (R_{LEAD} + R_{REF})$$

$$V_{IN-} = 3I \times R_{LEAD} + 2I \times R_{REF}$$

$$V_1 = V_{IN+} - V_{IN-} = I \times R_{RTD} = V_{RTD}$$



# Design Example: ADS1247 3-wire RTD Measurement



**TI Precision Designs: Verified Design 3-Wire RTD Measurement System, -200°C to 850°C**  
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**Circuit Description**  
 This reference design is an analog solution for accurate temperature measurement over a wide range of -200°C to 850°C. The design uses a reference network to provide a constant current to the RTD. The RTD is connected to the AIN0/IEXC1, AIN1, and AIN2 pins of the ADS1247. The reference network is connected to the AIN3/IEXC2 pin and the REFP and REFN pins of the ADS1247. The ADS1247 provides a 24-bit digital output representing the RTD resistance. The output is converted to a temperature value using the Steinhart-Hart equation.

**Design Resources**  
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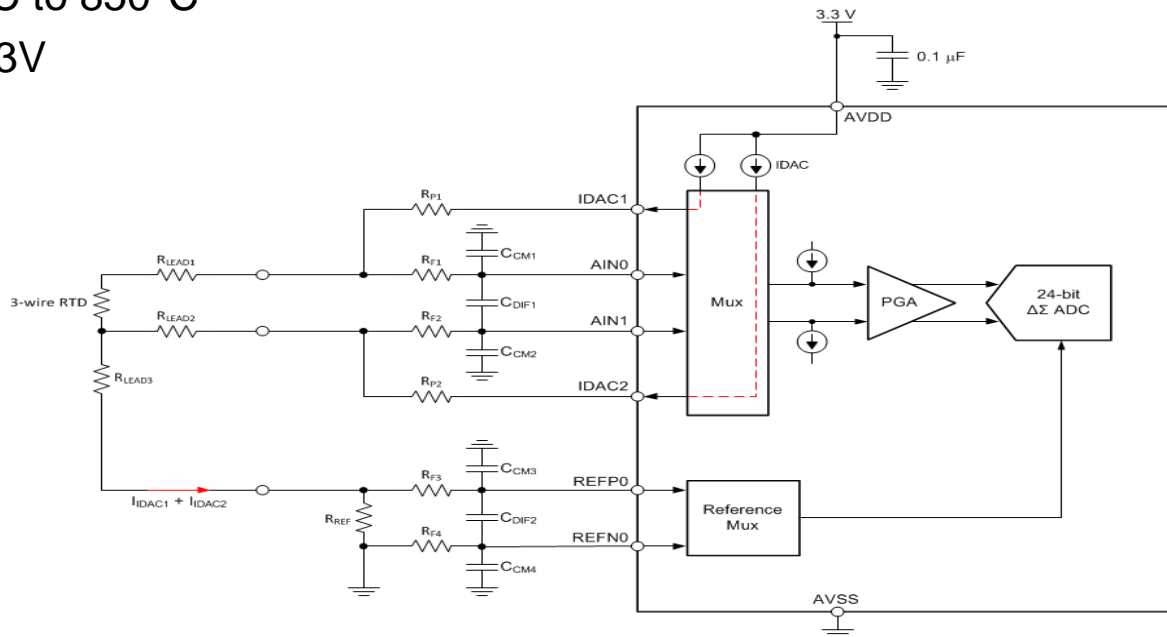
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# Step-by-Step Example with ADS1247

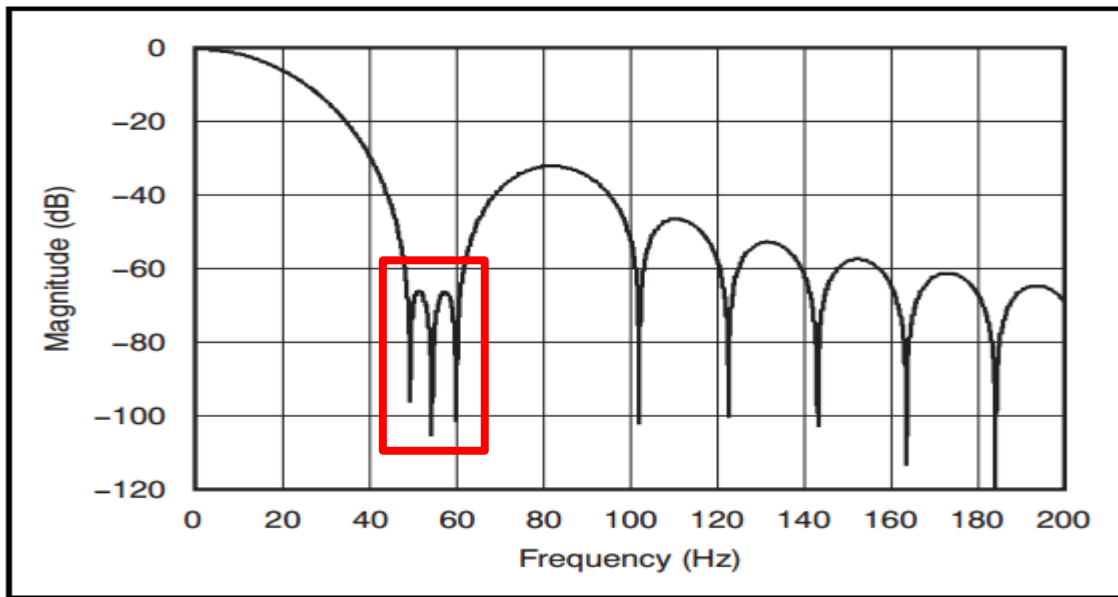
- System Requirements:
  - RTD Type: 3-Wire Pt100
  - Temperature Range:  $-200^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $850^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - Supply Voltage:  $\text{AVDD} = 3.3\text{V}$
  - 50/60Hz Rejection

- Design Considerations:
  - Data Rate
  - IDAC magnitude
  - $R_{\text{REF}}$
  - Gain
  - Low-pass Filters



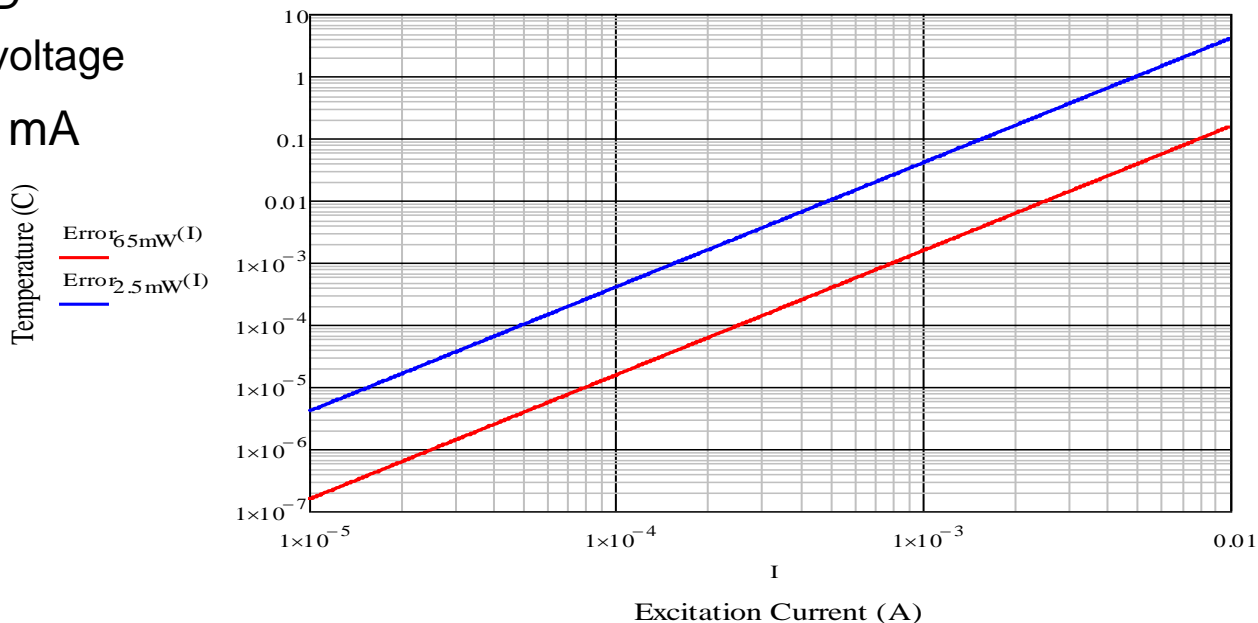
# Selecting Data Rate

- At Data Rate = 20SPS or less, the ADS1247 offers simultaneous 50/60Hz rejection



# Selecting IDAC Value

- Larger values produce larger signals – better resolution! (good, right?)
- Causes for concern with large IDAC values:
  1. Self-heating of RTD
  2. IDAC compliance voltage
- Start with 250 $\mu$ A – 1mA



# Selecting $R_{REF}$

- Select  $R_{REF}$  such that  $V_{REF}$  is ~40% to 50% of  $AVDD$ :

$$V_{REF} = \frac{AVDD}{2} \qquad R_{REF} = \frac{V_{REF}}{2 \times I_{IDAC}}$$

- $R_{REF}$  should be chosen with tight tolerance and low temperature drift
  - DC errors in  $R_{REF}$  directly affect the uncalibrated measurement gain error
  - Typical drift for  $R_{REF} = 5 - 20\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C}$

$$AVDD = 3.3\text{V}, I_{IDAC} = 1\text{mA}$$

- Calculation:

$$V_{REF} = \frac{3.3\text{V}}{2} = 1.65\text{V} \qquad R_{REF} = \frac{1.65\text{V}}{2 \times 1\text{mA}} \approx 820\Omega$$



# Selecting Gain

- The largest gain will yield the best resolution per °C
- Choose gain such that ADC input signal is still less than  $V_{REF}$  at the max temperature

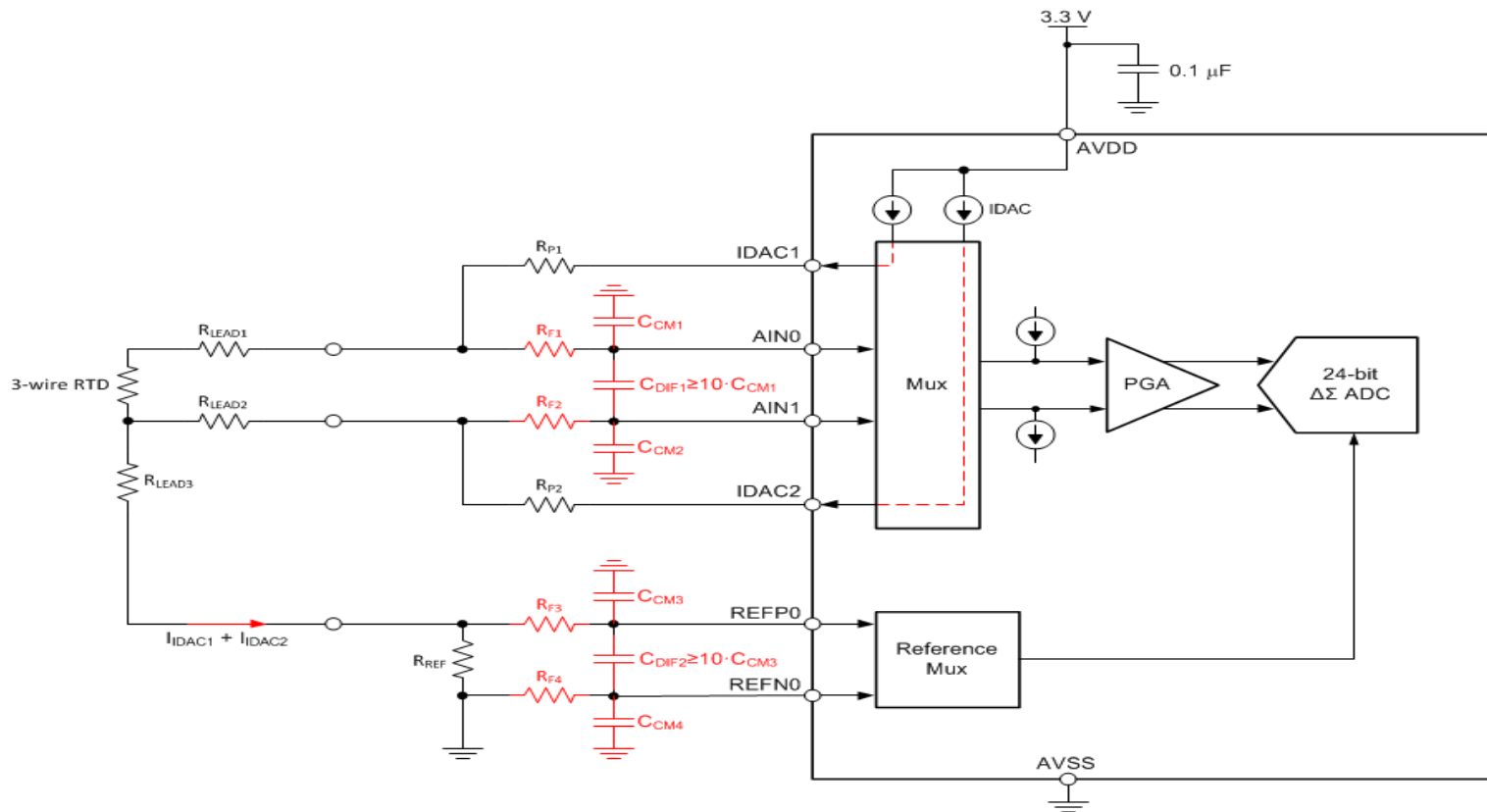
- Calculation:

$$R_{RTD @ 850^{\circ}C} = 390.48 \Omega$$

$$V_{RTD @ 850^{\circ}C} = 390.48 \Omega \times 1 \text{mA} = 0.39048 \text{V}$$

$$\text{Gain} < \frac{V_{REF}}{V_{RTD @ 850^{\circ}C}} = \frac{1.64 \text{V}}{0.39048 \text{V}} = 4.2$$

# Input and Reference Filters (I)



# Input and Reference Filters (II)

- Used to filter high-frequency noise from aliasing into ADC passband
- At 20 SPS, ADS1247 has -3 dB bandwidth of 14.8 Hz.
- $f_{-3\text{dB\_Dif}} \approx 10 \times f_{-3\text{dB\_DR}}$
- RTD input and reference filters should have matching cutoff frequencies
  - If noise appears on the RTD input, but not the reference, it will not be cancelled in the ratiometric configuration
  - The RTD will change resistance over temperature; use the mid-point of the temperature range to calculate input filter
  - App Note: <http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/sbaa201>

IDAC Compliance

Input Common-Mode Voltage

# DESIGN CHECKS

# Check IDAC Compliance

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	ADS1246, ADS1247, ADS1248			UNIT
		MIN	TYP	MAX	
<b>CURRENT SOURCES (IDACS)</b>					
Output current		50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 1500			$\mu\text{A}$
Voltage compliance	All currents	$\text{AVDD} - 0.7$			V
Initial error	All currents, each IDAC	-6	$\pm 1$	6	% of FS
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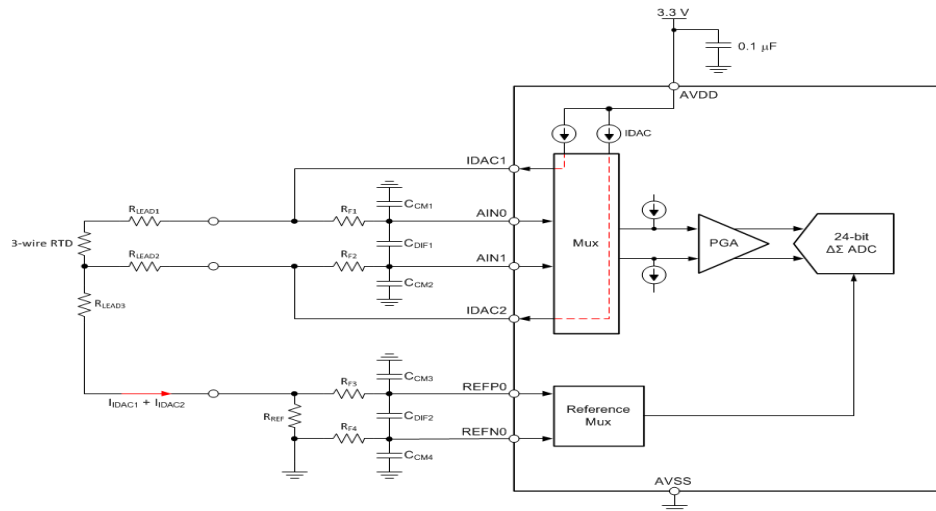
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$$V_{\text{IDAC}1} = V_{\text{REF}} + V_{\text{RTD}} < 2.6\text{V}$$

$$R_{\text{RTD}} @ 850^{\circ}\text{C} = 390.48\Omega$$

$$V_{\text{RTD}} @ 850^{\circ}\text{C} = 390.48\Omega \times 1\text{mA} = 390.48\text{mV}$$

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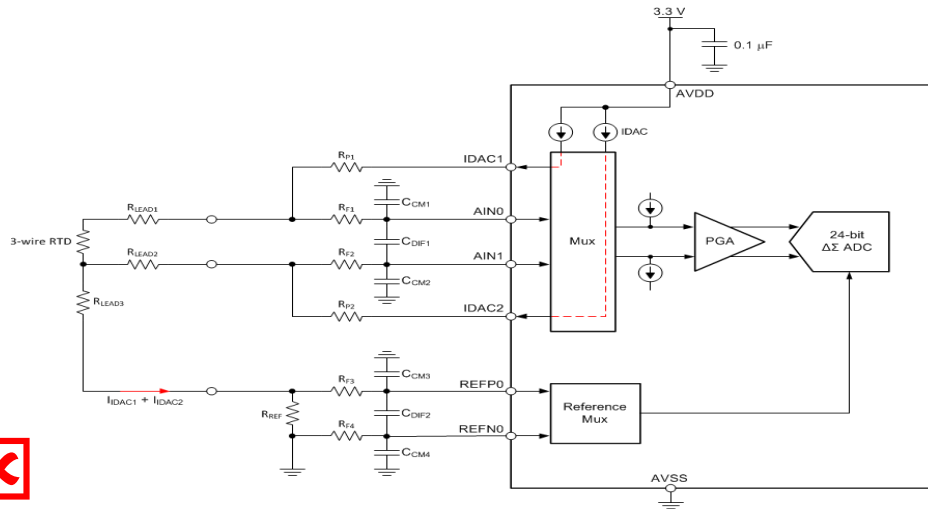
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$$R_{\text{P}1} = 1\text{k}\Omega$$

$$V_{\text{RP}1} = 1\text{k}\Omega \times 1\text{mA} = 1\text{V}$$

$$V_{\text{IDAC}1} = 1.64\text{V} + 390.48\text{mV} + 1\text{V} = 3.03\text{V} > 2.6\text{V}$$



# Check Input Common-Mode

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	ADS1246, ADS1247, ADS1248			UNIT
		MIN	TYP	MAX	
<b>ANALOG INPUTS</b>					
Full-scale input voltage ( $V_{IN} = \text{ADCINP} - \text{ADCINN}$ )		$\pm V_{REF}/\text{PGA}^{(1)}$			V
Common-mode input range		$AVSS + 0.1V + \frac{(V_{IN})(\text{Gain})}{2}$	$AVDD - 0.1V - \frac{(V_{IN})(\text{Gain})}{2}$		V
Differential input current		100			pA
Absolute input current		See <a href="#">Table 7</a>			
PGA gain settings		1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128			

$$V_{CM(MIN)} = V_{REF} = 1.64V$$

$$V_{CM(MAX)} = V_{REF} + \frac{V_{RTD(MAX)}}{2} = 1.64V + \frac{390.48mV}{2} = 1.84V$$

$$0.1V + \frac{390.48mV \times 4}{2} \leq V_{CM} \leq 3.3V - 0.1V - \frac{390.48mV \times 4}{2}$$

$$881mV \leq V_{CM} \leq 2.32V$$



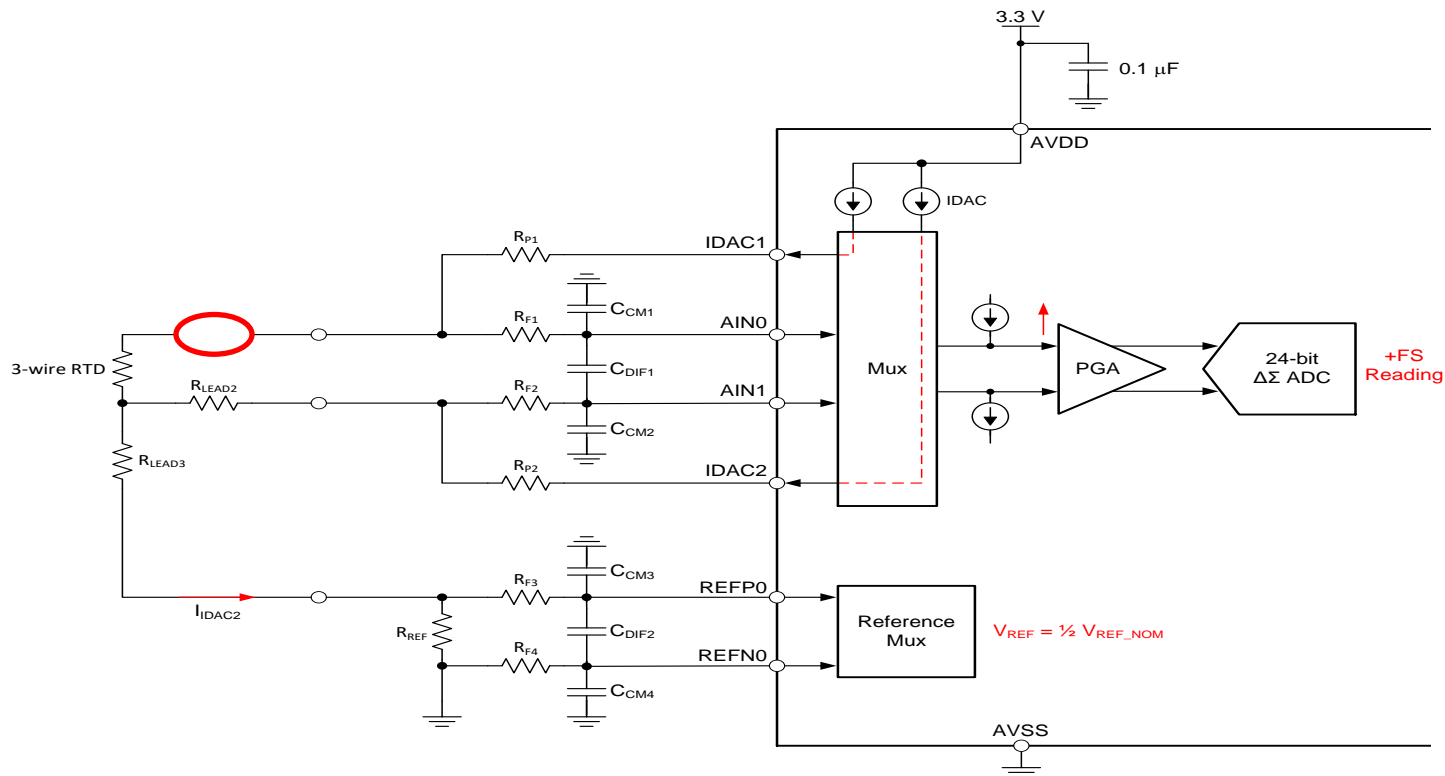
# ADS1247 - Things to be Aware of

- ✓ Place bypass cap on VREFOUT pin.
- ✓ Turn internal  $V_{REF}$  ON, otherwise IDACs will not work.
- ✓ Check IDAC compliance is met.
- ✓ Check PGA common-mode voltage range is met.  
Single-ended measurements are NOT possible using a unipolar supply!
- ✓ Start a measurement only after the input signal has settled.  
Especially important when MUX'ing channels.
  
- ✓ Configure SPI interface for SPI Mode 1.
- ✓ Convert two's-complement correctly.
- ✓ Don't use absolute IDAC value to calculate  $R_{RTD}$ .  
Otherwise measurement is not ratiometric anymore.

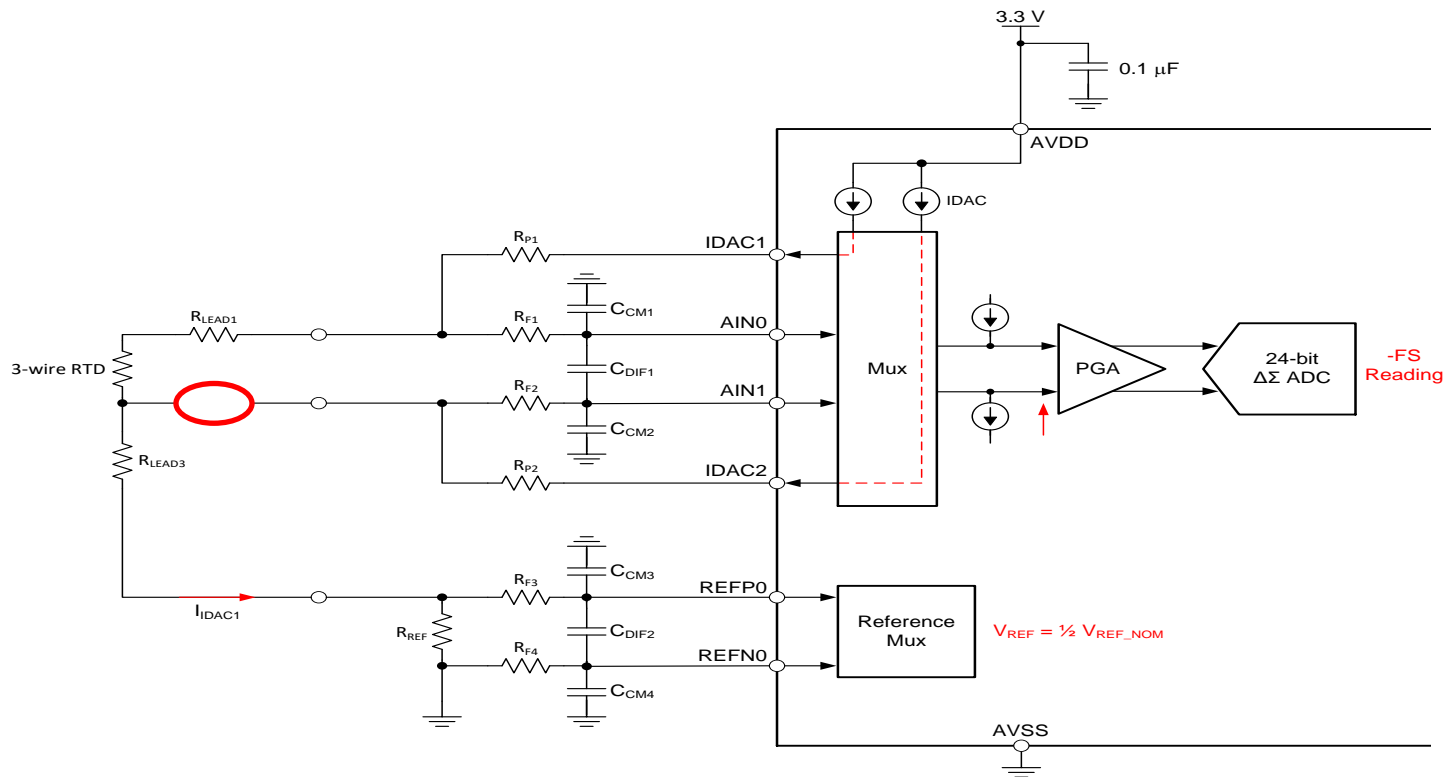


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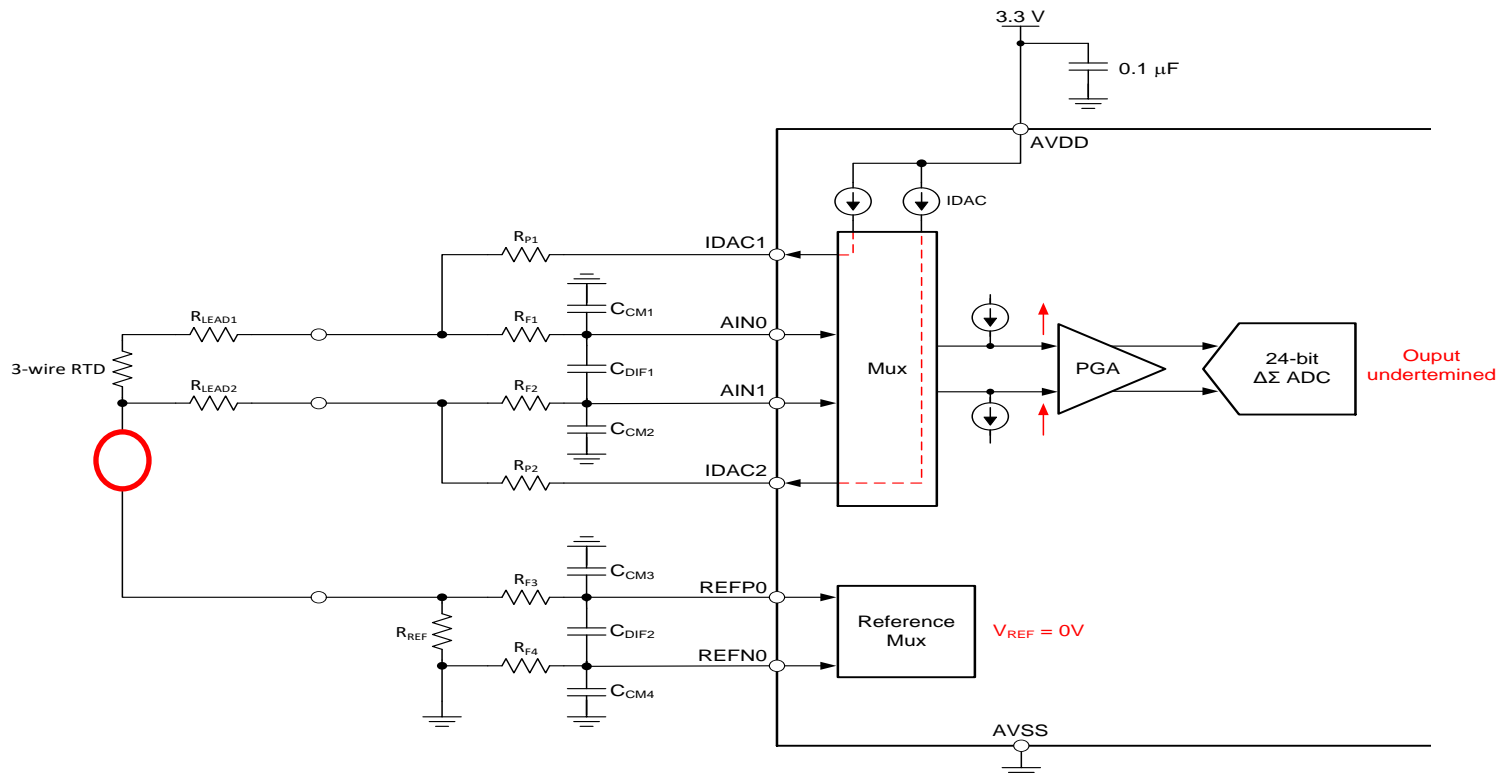
# Open Sensor Detection, Lead 1



# Open Sensor Detection, Lead 2

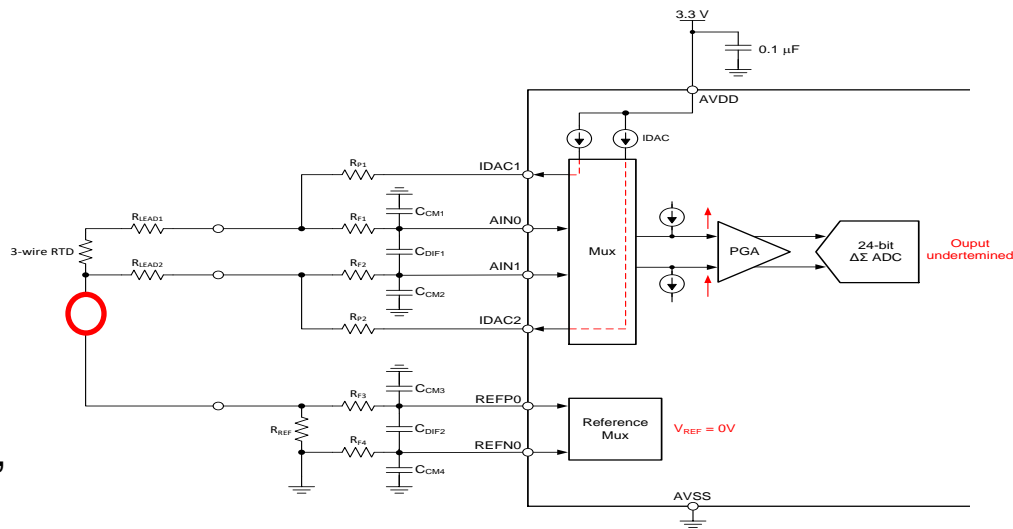


# Open Sensor Detection, Lead 3 (I)



# Open Sensor Detection, Lead 3 (II)

- Option 1: Measure  $V_{REF}$ 
  - Reconfigure MUX1 [2:0] to measure  $V_{REF}$
  - Detect that  $V_{REF}$  is below certain threshold.
- Option 2: REFP0 as GPIO
  - Diagnostic cycle – stop conversions, set REFP0 as GPIO
  - If = high, reference is present
  - If = low, reference is absent
  - \*\*Make sure GPIO threshold is met



# IDAC CHOPPING

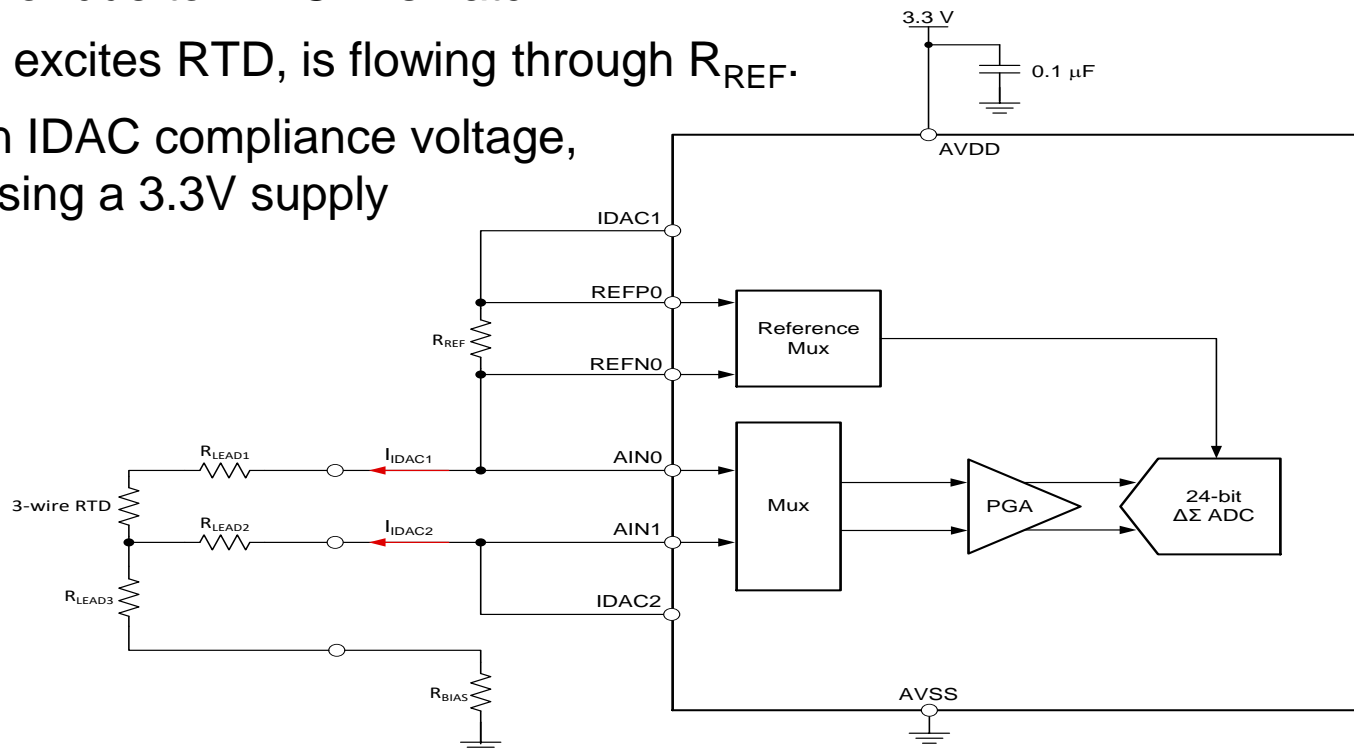
# Errors due to IDAC Mismatch

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- IDACs exhibit initial mismatch and drift mismatch
- Two potential errors:
  - Gain Error  
Only one IDAC is flowing through RTD but both IDACs flow through  $R_{\text{REF}}$ .  
Calculation assumes both IDACs are equal.
  - No 100%  $R_{\text{LEAD}}$  cancellation

# Improved Implementation

- Eliminates gain error due to IDAC mismatch.
- Same current that excites RTD, is flowing through  $R_{REF}$ .
- Harder to maintain IDAC compliance voltage, especially when using a 3.3V supply





# IDAC Chopping

- IDAC “Chopping”
  - Two measurements with IDACs swapped are taken and averaged
  - Improves  $R_{LEAD}$  compensation

$$V_{IN(1)} = I_{IDAC1} \times (R_{LEAD1} + R_{RTD}) - I_{IDAC2} \times R_{LEAD2}$$

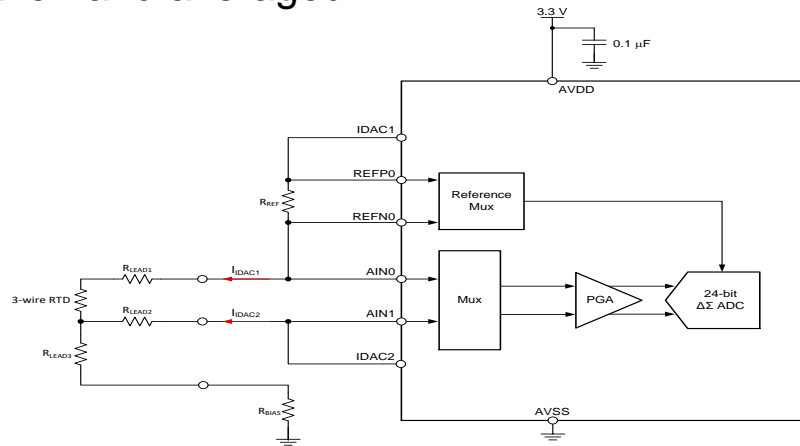
$$V_{IN(2)} = I_{IDAC2} \times (R_{LEAD1} + R_{RTD}) - I_{IDAC1} \times R_{LEAD2}$$

$$R_{LEAD1} = R_{LEAD2} = R_{LEAD}$$

$$V_{IN} = \frac{V_{IN(1)} + V_{IN(2)}}{2} = \frac{I_{IDAC1} \times R_{RTD}}{2} + \frac{I_{IDAC2} \times R_{RTD}}{2}$$

$$\frac{V_{IN} \times \text{Gain}}{2 \times V_{REF}} = \frac{I_{IDAC1} \times R_{RTD}}{2 \times I_{IDAC1} \times R_{REF}} \times \text{Gain} + \frac{I_{IDAC2} \times R_{RTD}}{2 \times I_{IDAC2} \times R_{REF}} \times \text{Gain} = \frac{R_{RTD} \times \text{Gain}}{2 \times R_{REF}}$$

- Note: Input filters need to settle before beginning a new conversion



# Achievable Resolution with ADS1248

Table 1. Noise in  $\mu\text{V}_{\text{RMS}}$  and ( $\mu\text{V}_{\text{PP}}$ )  
at  $\text{AVDD} = 5\text{V}$ ,  $\text{AVSS} = 0\text{V}$ , and External Reference = 2.5V

DATA RATE (SPS)	PGA SETTING							
	1	2	4	8	16	32	64	128
5	1.1 (4.99)	0.68 (3.8)	0.37 (1.9)	0.19 (0.98)	0.1 (0.44)	0.07 (0.31)	0.05 (0.27)	0.05 (0.21)
10	1.53 (8.82)	0.82 (3.71)	0.5 (2.69)	0.27 (1.33)	0.15 (0.67)	0.08 (0.5)	0.06 (0.36)	0.07 (0.34)
20	2.32 (13.37)	1.23 (6.69)	0.71 (3.83)	0.34 (1.9)	0.18 (1.01)	0.12 (0.71)	0.10 (0.51)	0.09 (0.54)

- LSB size:

$$\frac{2 \times V_{\text{REF}}}{2^{24} \times \text{Gain}} = \frac{2 \times 1.65\text{V}}{2^{24} \times 4} = 49.2\text{nV}$$

- Input referred Noise:

$$3.83\mu\text{V}_{\text{pp}}$$

- Pt100 Sensitivity:

$$1\text{mA} \times 0.385\Omega/^{\circ}\text{C} = 0.385\text{mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}$$

- Temperature Resolution per Code:

$$49.2\text{nV} / 0.385\text{mV}/^{\circ}\text{C} = 0.0001^{\circ}\text{C}$$

- Noise Free Temperature Resolution:

$$3.83\mu\text{V}_{\text{pp}} / 0.385\text{mV}/^{\circ}\text{C} = 0.01^{\circ}\text{C}$$

# Supporting Collateral

- TI Precision Designs
  - [TIPD109](#): Simple Thermocouple Measurement Solution Reference Design, <1°C Accurate
  - [TIPD120](#): 3-wire RTD Acquisition System Accurately Measures Temperature From -200°C - 850°C
  - [TIPD152](#): 0°C – 100°C, Hardware-Compensated Ratiometric 3-Wire RTD System Reference Design
  - [TIPD164](#): Analog Input Module for Industrial Outputs and Temperature Sensors Reference Design
  - [TIPD193](#): RTD to Voltage Reference Design Using Instrumentation Amplifier and Current Reference
  - [TIDA-00018](#): Temperature Sensor Interface Module for Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC)
  - [TIDA-00168](#): Thermocouple AFE Using RTD or Integrated Temperature Sensor for Cold Junction Compensation (CJC)
- Application note
  - [SBAA274](#): A Basic Guide to Thermocouple Measurements– Joseph Wu
  - [SBAA275](#): A Basic Guide to RTD Measurements– Joseph Wu
  - TC and RTD Measurement Step-by-step Design Procedure October 2014 – Joachim Wurker



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