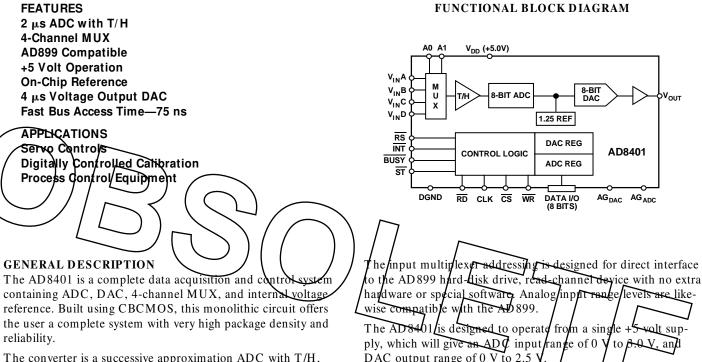


8-Bit, 4-Channel Data Acquisition System

AD8401



The converter is a successive approximation ADC with T/H, and is capable of operating with conversion times as short as 2 μ s. Analog input bandwidth is 200 kHz, and DAC output voltage settling time is less than 4 μ s, making the AD8401 capable of controlling servo loops with speed and precision.

The 8-bit data interface provides both read and write operation for parallel bus interfaces to microcontrollers and DSP processors. An external 5 MHz clock sets the 2 μ s conversion rate. Slower clocks reduce the conversion time and the internal power dissipation. The standard control lines: Reset, Busy, Interrupt, Read and Write complete the handshaking signals for microprocessor communication. A start trigger ST input allows precise sampling intervals in synchronous sampling applications. The AD8401 is offered in the SOIC-28 surface mount package, and is guaranteed to operate over the extended industrial temperature range of -40° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C.

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AD8401-SPECIFICATIONS

| Parameter | Sym bol | Conditions | Min | Тур | Max | Units |
|--|------------------|---|-----|--------|---------|---------------|
| STATIC PERFORMANCE | | | | | | |
| Resolution | Ν | | 8 | | | Bits |
| Total Unadjusted Error | TUE | | | ±3 | | LSB |
| Relative Accuracy | INL | | -1 | | +1 | LSB |
| Differential Nonlinearity | DNL | | -1 | | +1 | LSB |
| Offset Error | V _{OSE} | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | -4 | | +4 | LSB |
| | | $T_A = Full Temp Range$ | -6 | | +6 | LSB |
| Full-Scale Error | A _E | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | -4 | | +4 | LSB |
| | 2 | $T_A = Full Temp Range$ | -6 | | +6 | LSB |
| Δ Full-Scale/ Δ V _{DD} | | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | | | 1 | LSB |
| DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE | | | | | | |
| Signal-to-Noise Ratio | SNR | | | 44 | | dB |
| Total Harmonic Distortion | THD | | | 48 | | dB |
| Intermodulation Distortion |) IM/D | | | 60 | | dB |
| Frequency Response | | $0 \text{ to } \frac{200 \text{ kHz}}{200 \text{ kHz}}$ | | 0.1 | | dB |
| Track/Hold Acquisition Time | t _{AQ} | | | 200 | | ns |
| ANALOG INPUT <mark>S (Applies to Ja</mark> Unipolar Input Range Input Current Input Capacitance | | | 0 | | 3 | V μA μF |
| LOGIC INPUTS | | | | \neg | 7777 | |
| Clock Input Current Low | I _{CKL} | $V_{IN} = 0 V$ | 1L | | | |
| Clock Input Current High | I _{CKH} | $V_{IN} = V_{DD}$ | | | / /40 / | _uA |
| Input Leakage Current | IL | $\overline{CS}, \overline{RD}, \overline{RS}, \overline{ST}$ | | \neg | | μA J |
| 1 0 | - | | | L | | 4 |
| LOGIC OUTPUTS (Applies to O | - | | | | | |
| Logic Output Low Voltage | V _{OL} | $I_{OL} = 1.6 \text{ mA}$ | 1.0 | | 0.4 | |
| Logic Output High Voltage | V _{OH} | $I_{OH} = 200 \mu\text{A}$ | 4.0 | | 10 | V |
| Output Leakage Current | I _{OZ} | $\overline{CS} = 1 \text{ (Except } \overline{INT} \& \overline{BUSY})$ | | | 10 | μΑ |
| Output Capacitance | C _{OZ} | $\overline{CS} = 1 (Except \overline{INT} \& \overline{BUSY})$ | | | 10 | pF |
| CONVERSION TIME | t _C | External Clock | | | 2 | μs |

Specifications subject to change without notice.

| A1 | A0 | Input Selected |
|----|----|-------------------|
| 0 | 0 | V _{IN} A |
| 0 | 1 | V _{IN} B |
| 1 | 0 | V _{IN} C |
| 1 | 1 | V _{IN} D |

Table I. Multiplexer Address Input Decode

$(@V_{DD} = +5.0 \text{ V} \pm 5\%, \text{ AG}_{DAC} = \text{ AG}_{ADC} = 0.0 \text{ V}; \text{ R}_{L} = 2 \text{ k} \Omega, \text{ C}_{L} = 100 \text{ pF}$ DAC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS to AG_{DAC}; -40°C ≤ T_A ≤ +85°C, unless otherwise noted)

| Parameter | Sym bol | Conditions | Min | Тур | Max | Units |
|---|------------------|---|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| STATIC PERFORMANCE | | | | | | |
| Resolution | Ν | | 8 | | | Bits |
| Total Unadjusted Error | TUE | | | ± 2 | | LSB |
| Relative Accuracy | INL | | -1 | | +1 | LSB |
| Differential Nonlinearity | DNL | | -1 | | +1 | LSB |
| Offset Error | V _{OSE} | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | -2 | | +2 | LSB |
| | | $T_A = Full Temp Range$ | -2.5 | | +2.5 | LSB |
| Full-Scale Error | A_E | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | -3 | | +3 | LSB |
| | 2 | $T_A = Full Temp Range$ | _4 | | +4 | LSB |
| Δ Full-Scale/ Δ V _{DD} | | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ | -0.5 | | +0.5 | LSB |
| Load Regulation at Full-Scale | | | -0.2 | | +0.2 | LSB |
| DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE | | | | | | |
| Signal to-Noise Ratio | SNR | | | 44 | | dB |
| T otal/H armonic Distortion) | THD | | | 48 | | dB |
| | (\cap) | $\left(\right)$ | | | | |
| ANALOG OUTPUT Output Voltage Range | QVR | \square | 0 | | +2.5 | v |
| LOGIC INPUTS (Applies to DB) | D-DB7 CS W | $\overline{\overline{x}}, \overline{\overline{RD}}, \overline{\overline{RS}}$ | | <u> </u> | | |
| Logic Input Low Voltage | | | | | 0.8 | v |
| Logic Input High Voltage | | | 1.4 L | $\sim L$ | | v |
| Input Leakage Current | I_L | | L_{10}^{10} | <u> </u> | 7_{10} | <u>u</u> A |
| Input Capacitance | C_{IL} | | | | / 10 | |
| | - 11 | | $+ \leq -$ | | + | |
| AC CHARACTERISTICS | | | | 7 | | |
| Voltage Output Settling Time | ts | To $\pm 1/2$ LSB of Final Value | | $\sqrt{2}$ | 4 | <u>μ</u> ε |
| Positive Full-Scale Change | t _{POS} | 10% to 90% | | 1 | \square_2 | Lμs |
| Negative Full-Scale Change | t _{NEG} | 90% to 10% | | 2 | 4 | μs |
| DAC Glitch Impulse | | | | 15 | | n∀s |
| Digital Feedthrough | | | | 1 | | nV s |
| V_{IN} to V_{OUT} Isolation | | f = 50 kHz | | 60 | | dB |
| POWER REQUIREMENTS | | | | | | |
| Positive Supply Current | I _{DD} | No Load | | | 13 | mA |

Specifications subject to change without notice.

TIMING ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS (@ V_{DD} = +5.0 V ± 5%, AG_{DAC} = AG_{ADC} = 0.0 V; f_{CLK} = 5 MHz; -40°C ≤ T_A ≤ +85°C, unless otherwise noted)

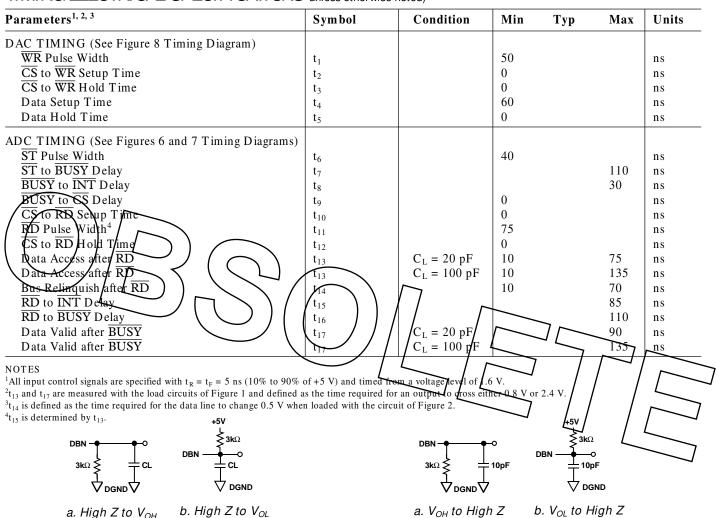


Figure 1. Load Circuits for Data Access Time Test

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS*

| Supply Voltage (V _{DD})+8 V |
|---|
| Input Voltages $\dots \dots \dots$ |
| Output Short-Circuit Duration Indefinite |
| Package Power Dissipation $\dots \dots \dots$ |
| Thermal Resistance θ_{JA} |
| 28-Lead SOIC (R) 53°C/W |
| Storage Temperature Range65°C to +150°C |
| Operating Temperature Range40°C to +85°C |
| Junction Temperature Range $(T_J max) \dots -65^{\circ}C$ to $+150^{\circ}C$ |
| Lead Temperature Range (Soldering, 60 sec) +300°C |

*Stresses above those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational sections of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

CAUTION _

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Electrostatic charges as high as 4000 V readily accumulate on the human body and test equipment and can discharge without detection. Although the AD8401 features proprietary ESD protection circuitry, permanent damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy electrostatic discharges. Therefore, proper ESD precautions are recommended to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.



Figure 2. Load Circuits for Bus Relinquish Time Test

ORDERING GUIDE

Package

Die

Description

28-Lead SOIC

Temperature

 -40° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C

Range

+25°C

*The AD8401 contains 1257 transistors.

Model*

AD8401AR

AD8401Chips

Package

Option

SOL-28

| | PIN CONFIGURATIO | N DICE CHARACTERISTICS |
|--------------|--|--|
| | AG _{DAC} 2 27 Vout 3 26 NC 4 25 A1 5 24 RS 6 23 DB7 7 AD8401AR 22 27 DB6 8 Top View (Not to Scale) DB5 9 20 DB4 10 19 DB3 11 18 DB2 12 17 DGND 13 16 | A0 VinA VinB VinC VinD AGADC CLK INT BUSY ST RD CS WF DB0 PIN DESCRIPTIONS |
| Pin# | Name | Description |
| 1 | V _{DD} | Positive Supply. Nominal value +5 volts. This pad requires 2 bonds for die assembly. The substrate is common with V_{DD} . |
| 2 | AG _{DAC} | Analog Ground for the DAC. There is a separate analog ground for the ADC. |
| 3 | V _{OUT} | Voltage Output from the DAC. |
| 4 | NC | No Connect. |
| 5 | A1 | Address Input that controls multiplexer. See Table I for address decode. |
| 6 | RESET (\overline{RS}) | Active Low Digital Input that clears the DAC register to zero, setting the DAC to mini- mum scale. It also asynchronously clears the INT line of the ADC. |
| 7–12, 14, 15 | DB7 to DB0 | Digital I/O Lines. DB7 (7) is the Most Significant Bit (MSB), for both the ADC and the DAC, and DB0 (15) is the Least Significant Bit (LSB). |
| 13 | DGND | Digital Ground. |
| 16 | WR | Rising Edge Triggered Write Input. Used to load data into the DAC register. |
| 17 | CS | Chip Select. Active Low Input |
| 18 | RD | Active Low Read Input. When this input is active, ADC data can be read from the part. \overline{RD} going low starts the ADC conversion. |
| 19 | ST | Falling Edge Triggered Start Input. Used for applications requiring precise sample timing. The falling edge of \overline{ST} starts the conversion and sets the \overline{BUSY} low. The \overline{ST} is not gated by \overline{CS} . |
| 20 | BUSY | ADC Active Low, Status Output. When the ADC is performing a conversion, the $\overline{\text{BUSY}}$ output is low. |
| 21 | ĪNT | Active Low Output. The Interrupt output notifies the system that the ADC has completed its conversion. \overline{INT} goes high on the rising edge of \overline{CS} or \overline{RD} . It will also be forced high when RESET is asserted. |
| 22 | CLK | External Clock Input Pin. Accepts a TTL or 5 V CMOS input logic levels. |
| 23 | AG _{ADC} | Analog ADC Ground |
| 27–24 | V _{IN} A, B, C, D | Four Analog Inputs |
| 28 | A0 | Address input that controls multiplexer. See Table I for address decode. |

OPERATION

The AD8401 is a complete data acquisition and control system. It contains the DAC, a four channel input multiplexer, a track/ hold, an ADC, as well as an internal bandgap reference. It interfaces to the microcontroller via an 8-bit digital I/O port.

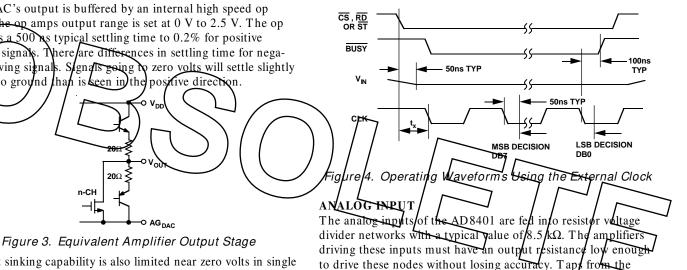
D/A CONVERTER SECTION

The DAC is an 8-bit voltage mode DAC with an output that swings from AG_{DAC} to the 1.25 volt bandgap voltage. It uses an R-2R ladder fed by PNP current sources which allow the output to swing to ground so that the DAC operates in a unipolar mode.

AMPLIFIER SECTION

The DAC's output is buffered by an internal high speed op amp. The op amps output range is set at 0 V to 2.5 V. The op amp has a 500 hs typical settling time to 0.2% for positive slewing signals. There are differences in settling time for negaive slewing signals. Signals going to zero volts will settle slightly er to ground than is seen in the positive direction. lov

Figure 4 shows the wave forms for a conversion cycle. The track and hold begins holding the input voltage V_{IN} approximately 50 ns after the falling edge of the Start command. The MSB decision is made approximately 50 ns after the second falling edge of the CLK. If t_x is greater than 50 ns, then the falling edge of the CLK will be seen as the first falling clock edge. If t_X is less than 50 ns, the first MSB conversion will not occur until one clock cycle later. The following bits will each be converted in a similar manner 50 ns after each CLK edge until all eight bits have been converted. After the end of conversion the contents of the ADC SAR register are transferred to the output data latch, the track and hold is returned to the track mode, \overline{INT} goes low and the SAR is reset.



the multiplexer switches.

Current sinking capability is also limited near zero volts in single supply operation. Figure 3 provides an equivalent amplifier output stage schematic.

INTERNAL REFERENCE

An on-chip bandgap is provided as a voltage reference to both the DAC and the ADC. This reference is internal to the AD 8401 and is not accessible to the user. It is laser trimmed for both absolute accuracy and temperature coefficients. The reference is internally buffered by a separate control amplifier for both the DAC and ADC to improve isolation between the converters.

DIGITAL I/O

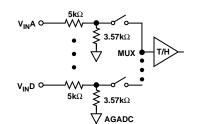
The 8-bit parallel data I/O port on the AD8401 provides access to both the DAC and the ADC. This port is TTL/CMOS compatible with three-state outputs that are ESD protected.

The data format is binary. This data coding applies to both the DAC and the ADC. See the applications information section.

ADC SECTION

A fast successive approximation ADC is used to attain a conversion time of 2 microseconds. Start of conversion is initiated by \overline{CS} and \overline{RD} . Following a Start command the \overline{BUSY} signal will become active and another Start command should not be given until the conversion is complete.

The RESET (\overline{RS}) input does not affect A/D conversion, but the INT (Interrupt or conversion complete) which normally goes active low at the end of a conversion will be forced high by **RESET** asynchronously.



voltage dividers are connected to the track and hold amplifier

Figure 5. Equivalent Analog Input Circuit

TRACK-AND-HOLD AMPLIFIER

Following the resistive divider at the input of the AD8401 is a track-and-hold amplifier that captures input signals accurately up to the 200 kHz Nyquist frequency of the ADC. To attain this performance the T/H amplifier must have a much greater bandwidth than the signal of interest. Because of this the user must be careful to band limit the input signal to avoid aliasing high frequency components and noise into the passband.

The track-and-hold amplifier is internally controlled by the Start command and is not directly available to the user. After the Start command signal the track-and-hold is placed into the hold mode; it returns to the track mode after the conversion is complete.

CLOCK

The AD8401 uses an external clock that is TTL or 5 V CMOS compatible. The external clock speed is 5 MHz and the duty cycle may vary from 30% to 70%. The external clock can be continuously operated between conversions.

DIGITAL INTERFACE: ADC TIMING AND CONTROL

T wo basic ADC operating modes are available with the AD8401. The first mode uses the Start (ST) pin to trigger a synchronized A/D conversion. As soon as the ST pin is asserted, the T/H switches from tracking to the hold mode capturing the present analog input-voltage sample. With the T/H holding the analog sample the successive-approximation analog-to-digital conversion is completed on that sample value. At the end of conversion the T/H returns to the tracking mode. This mode of conversion is ideal for digital signal processing applications where precise interval sampling is necessary to minimize errors due to sampling uncertainty of jitter A precise clock source can be used to drive the ST input.

The second mode of conversion is started by the RD and CS inputs going low, after which the BUSY line puts the microprocessor into a WAIT state until end of conversion Mode 2 is asserted by connecting the ST pin to logic high. The major advantage of this interface is that a single Read Instruction will start and complete a new analog-to-digital conversion without the need for carefully tailored software delays that often are not portable when software routines are taken to a different processor running at a different clock speed.

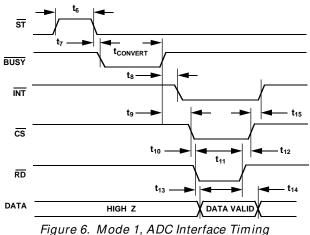


Figure 6. Mode 1, ADC Inte

Mode 1 Interface

As shown in Figure 6, the falling edge of the \overline{ST} pulse initiates a conversion and puts the T/H amplifier into the hold mode. The \overline{BUSY} signal goes low during the whole A/D conversion time and returns high signaling end of conversion. The \overline{INT} line can be used to interrupt the microprocessor. When the microprocessor performs a READ to access the AD8401 data, the rising edges of \overline{CS} or \overline{RD} will reset the \overline{INT} output to high after the t_{15} timing specification. \overline{INT} can also be used to externally trigger a pulse that activates the \overline{CS} and \overline{RD} and places the new data into a buffer or First In First Out FIFO memory. The microprocessor can then load a series of readings from this buffer memory at a convenient time. Care must be taken not to have the \overline{ST} input high when \overline{RD} is brought low; otherwise, the AD8401 will not operate properly. Also triggering the \overline{ST} line a second time before conversion is complete will cause erroneous readings.

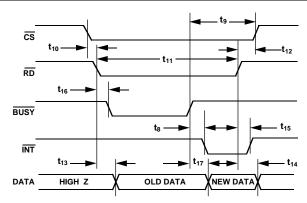


Figure 7. Mode 2, ADC Interface Timing

Mode 2 Interface

This interface mode can be used with microprocessors that can be put into a WAIT state for at least 2 microseconds. The \overline{ST} pin must be tied to logic high for proper operation. The microprocessor begins a conversion by executing a READ instruction that asserts the \overline{CS} and \overline{RD} pins at the AD8401's decoded address. The AD8401 BUSY output then goes low, forcing the microprocessor's READY (or WAIT) line into a WAIT state. The analog input signal is captured by the T/H on the falling edge of \overline{RD} . When the conversion is complete (8 clocks later), the BUSY line returns high, and then the µP completes its READ of the new data now on the digital output port of the AD8401. Note that while conversion is in progress the ADC places the results from the last conversion (Old Data) on the data bus. The Figure 7 timing diagram details the applicable timing specification requirements

DIGITAL INTERFACE: DAC TIMING AND CONTROL

Table II shows the truth table for DAC operation. The internal 8-bit DAC register contents are loaded from the data bus when both \overline{WR} and \overline{CS} are asserted. The DAC register determines the D/A converter analog-output voltage. The \overline{WR} input is a positive edge triggered input that loads the bus data into the DAC register subject to the data setup and data hold timing requirements. When \overline{CS} and \overline{WR} are low, the DAC register contents will not change with changing data bus values. Figure 8 provides the detail timing diagram for write cycle operation.

Table II. DAC Register Logic

| CS | WR | RS | DAC Function | |
|----------|----------|----|------------------------------------|--|
| Н | Н | Н | No Effect | |
| L | L | Н | No Effect | |
| L | \wedge | Н | DAC Register Updated | |
| \wedge | L | Н | DAC Register Updated | |
| Х | Х | L | DAC Register Loaded with all Zeros | |

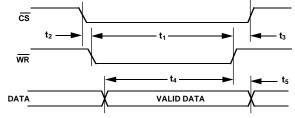


Figure 8. Write Cycle Timing

An active low pulse, at any time, on the RESET pin asynchronously forces all DAC register bits to zero. The DAC output voltage becomes zero volts and stays at that value until a new data word is loaded into the DAC register with a new WR command. The equivalent input logic for the DAC register loading is shown in Figure 9.

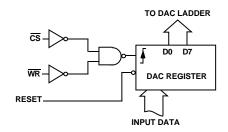


Figure 9. Equivalent DAC Register Control Logic

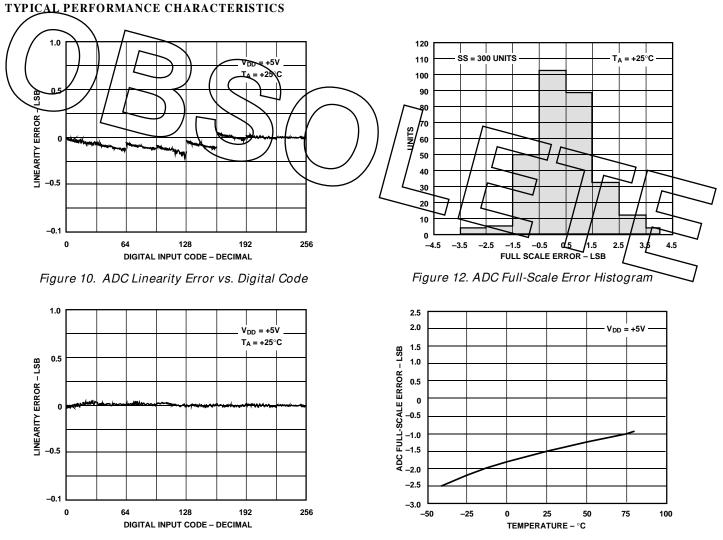
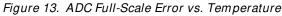


Figure 11. DAC Linearity Error vs. Digital Code



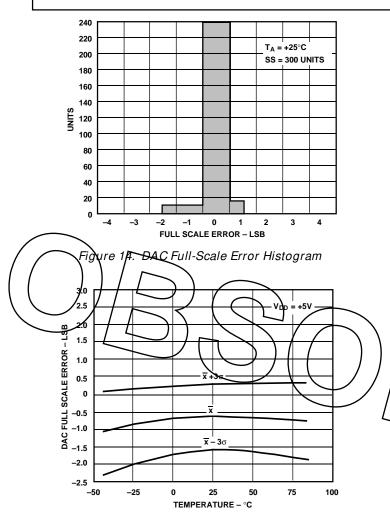


Figure 15. DAC Full-Scale Error vs. Temperature

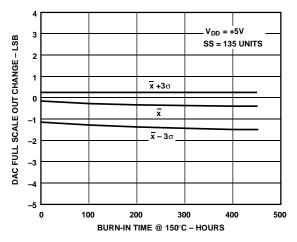


Figure 16. DAC Full-Scale Out Change vs Time Accelerated by Burn-In

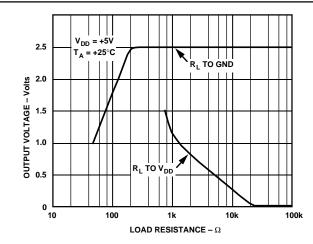


Figure 17. DAC Output Swing vs. Load Resistance

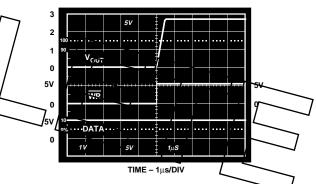


Figure 18. DAC Output Slew Rate Positive Transition

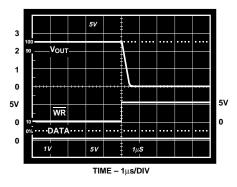


Figure 19. DAC Output Slew Rate Negative Transition

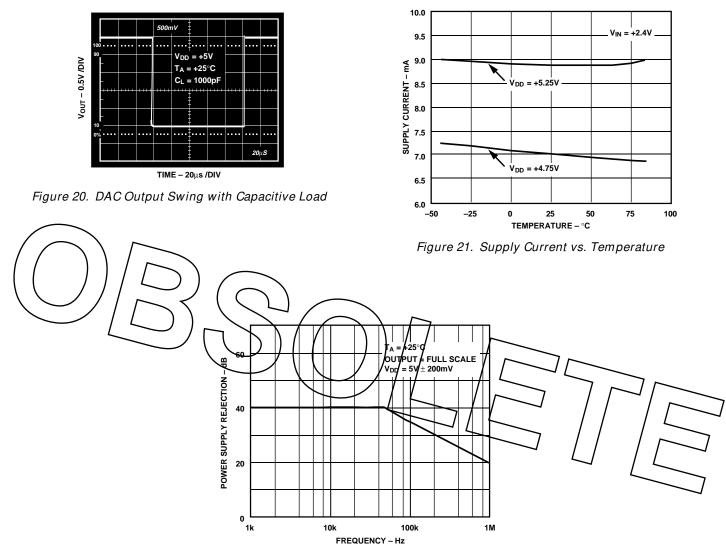


Figure 22. Power Supply Rejection Ratio vs. Frequency

APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

The software programming needs to format data as defined by the transfer equations and Code Tables that follow.

DAC Transfer Equation

$$V_{OUT} = 2.500 \times \frac{D}{256} = 2.500 \times \frac{255}{256}$$
 for a 2.50 V full scale

where D is the decimal value 0 through 255 of the 8-bit data word.

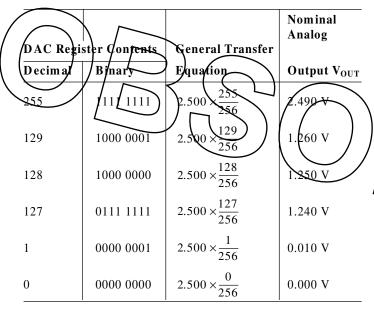


Table III. DAC Unipolar Code

The nominal output voltages listed in the Code Table are subject to the static performance specifications. The INL, Zero-Scale and Full-Scale errors describe the total specified variation that will be encountered from part to part. One LSB of error for the 2.5 V FS range is 9.766 millivolts (= 2.50/256).

Although separate AGNDs exist for both the DAC and ADC to minimize crosstalk, writing data to the DAC while the ADC is performing a conversion may result in an incorrect conversion from the ADC due to signal interaction between the DAC and ADC. Therefore, to ensure correct operation of the ADC, the DAC register should not be updated while the ADC is converting.

The AD8401 is configured for an input range of +3.0 volts Full Scale. The nominal transfer characteristic for this range is plotted in Figure 23. The output coding is natural binary with one LSB equal to 11.72 millivolts. Note that the first code transition between 0 LSB and 1 LSB occurs at 5.8 mV, one half of the 11.72 mV LSB step size. The last code transition occurs at Full Scale minus 1.5 LSBs, which is a 2.982 V input.

The AD8401 is easily interfaced to most microprocessors by using either address bits or address decode to select the appropriate multiplexer channel. Figure 24 shows how easily the AD8401 interfaces to the AD899. No additional hardware is required.

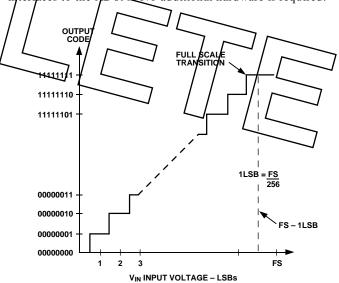
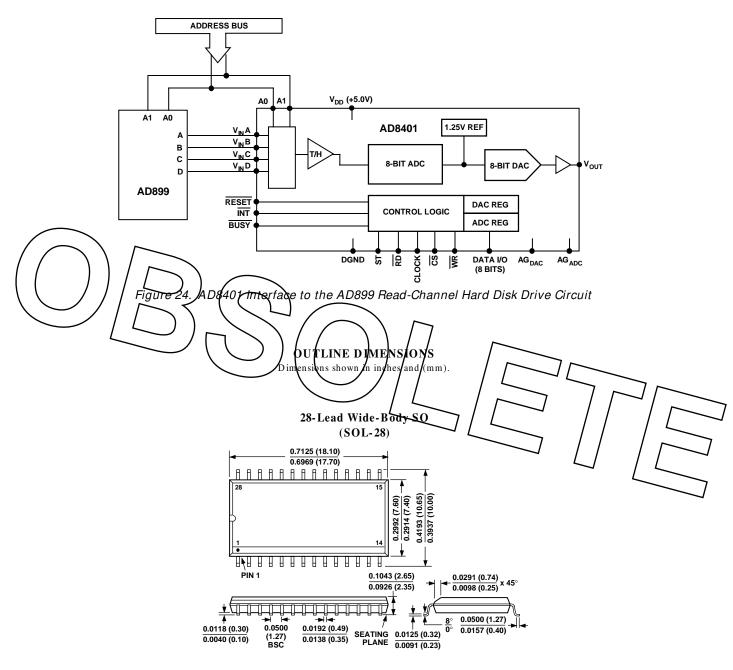


Figure 23. ADC 0 V to +3 V Input Transfer Characteristic



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