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LTC2452

DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 1384 features the LTC2452, a 16 bit high performance differential $\Delta\Sigma$ analog-to-digital converter (ADC) with an SPI interface. The input is bipolar with a range of Ref-to Ref+. The modulator's proprietary sampling technique reduces the average input current to less than 50nA – orders of magnitude lower than typical delta sigma ADCs. The LTC2452 is available in an 8 pin, 3x2mm DFN package and has an easy to use SPI interface.

DC1384 is a member of Linear Technology's QuickEval[™] family of demonstration boards. It is designed to allow easy evaluation of the LTC2452 and may be connected directly to the target application's

analog signals while using the DC590 USB Serial Controller board and supplied software to measure performance. The exposed ground planes allow proper grounding to prototype circuitry. After evaluating with Linear Technology's software, the digital signals can be connected to the end application's processor / controller for development of the serial interface.

Design files for this circuit board are available. Call the LTC factory.

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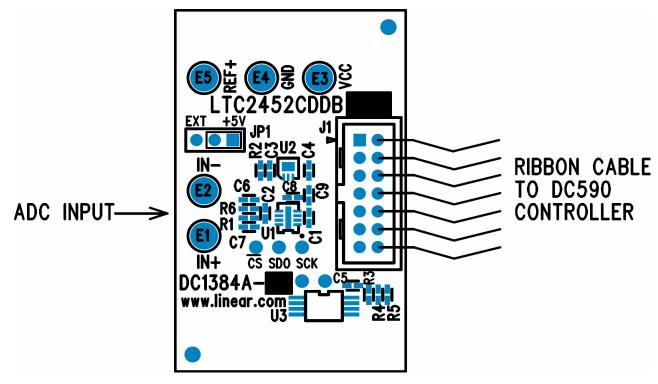


Figure 1. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup



QUICK START PROCEDURE

Connect to a DC590 USB Serial Controller using the supplied 14 conductor ribbon cable. Connect DC590 to host PC with a standard USB A/B cable. Run the evaluation software supplied with DC590 or downloaded from http://www.linear.com/software. The correct program will be loaded automatically. Click the COLLECT button to start reading the input

voltage. Details on software features are documented in the control panel's help menu.

Tools are available for logging data, changing reference voltage, changing the number of points in the strip chart and histogram, and changing the number of points averaged for the DVM display.

LTC2452 File View Tools Help LTC2452 Collect Average Reset Noise Histogram [ppm] Deviation from Average of All Samples [ppm] 400.0 110 300.0 100 90 200.0 80 100.0 70 0.0 60 50 -100.0 40 -200.0 30 -300.0 20 10 -400.0 -400.0 -200.0 0.0 200.0 400.0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 Bin Width [cnts] 1 1 cnt = 15.2588 ppm RMS Noise [ppm] 25.825 RMS based on last 53 pts

Figure 2. Software Screenshot



HARDWARE SET-UP

CONNECTION TO DC590 SERIAL CONTROLLER

J1 is the power and digital interface connector. Connect to DC590 serial controller with supplied 14 conductor ribbon cable.

JUMPERS

JP1 – Select the source for REF+, either an LT6660-5 or from an external source connected to the Ref+turret post.

ANALOG CONNECTIONS

Analog signal connections are made via the row of turret posts along the edge of the board. Also, when connecting the board to an existing circuit the exposed ground planes along the edges of the board may be used to form a solid connection between grounds.

GND – This turret is connected directly to the internal ground planes.

VCC – This is the supply voltage for the ADC.

REF+ -This is the reference voltage for the ADC. May be used to drive the reference pin if JP1 is set to Ext.

IN+ – This is the positive input to the ADC.

IN - – This is the negative input to the ADC.



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QUICK START GUIDE FOR DEMONSTRATION CIRCUIT 1384 16-BIT, DIFFERENTIAL, DELTA SIGMA ADC WITH SPI INTERFACE

