

21. Analog-to-Digital Converter

21.1 Features

- 10-bit Resolution
- 0.5 LSB Integral Non-linearity
- ± 2 LSB Absolute Accuracy
- 13 - 260 μ s Conversion Time
- Up to 76.9 kSPS (Up to 15 kSPS at Maximum Resolution)
- 6 Multiplexed Single Ended Input Channels
- 2 Additional Multiplexed Single Ended Input Channels (TQFP and QFN/MLF Package only)
- Temperature Sensor Input Channel
- Optional Left Adjustment for ADC Result Readout
- 0 - V_{CC} ADC Input Voltage Range
- Selectable 1.1V ADC Reference Voltage
- Free Running or Single Conversion Mode
- Interrupt on ADC Conversion Complete
- Sleep Mode Noise Canceler

21.2 Overview

The ATmega48P/88P/168P/328P features a 10-bit successive approximation ADC. The ADC is connected to an 8-channel Analog Multiplexer which allows eight single-ended voltage inputs constructed from the pins of Port A. The single-ended voltage inputs refer to 0V (GND).

The ADC contains a Sample and Hold circuit which ensures that the input voltage to the ADC is held at a constant level during conversion. A block diagram of the ADC is shown in [Figure 21-1 on page 251](#).

The ADC has a separate analog supply voltage pin, AV_{CC} . AV_{CC} must not differ more than $\pm 0.3V$ from V_{CC} . See the paragraph "[ADC Noise Canceler](#)" on [page 256](#) on how to connect this pin.

Internal reference voltages of nominally 1.1V or AV_{CC} are provided On-chip. The voltage reference may be externally decoupled at the AREF pin by a capacitor for better noise performance.

The Power Reduction ADC bit, PRADC, in "[Minimizing Power Consumption](#)" on [page 42](#) must be disabled by writing a logical zero to enable the ADC.

The ADC converts an analog input voltage to a 10-bit digital value through successive approximation. The minimum value represents GND and the maximum value represents the voltage on the AREF pin minus 1 LSB. Optionally, AV_{CC} or an internal 1.1V reference voltage may be connected to the AREF pin by writing to the REFSn bits in the ADMUX Register. The internal voltage reference may thus be decoupled by an external capacitor at the AREF pin to improve noise immunity.