

Lecture 08

ADC Software Filters

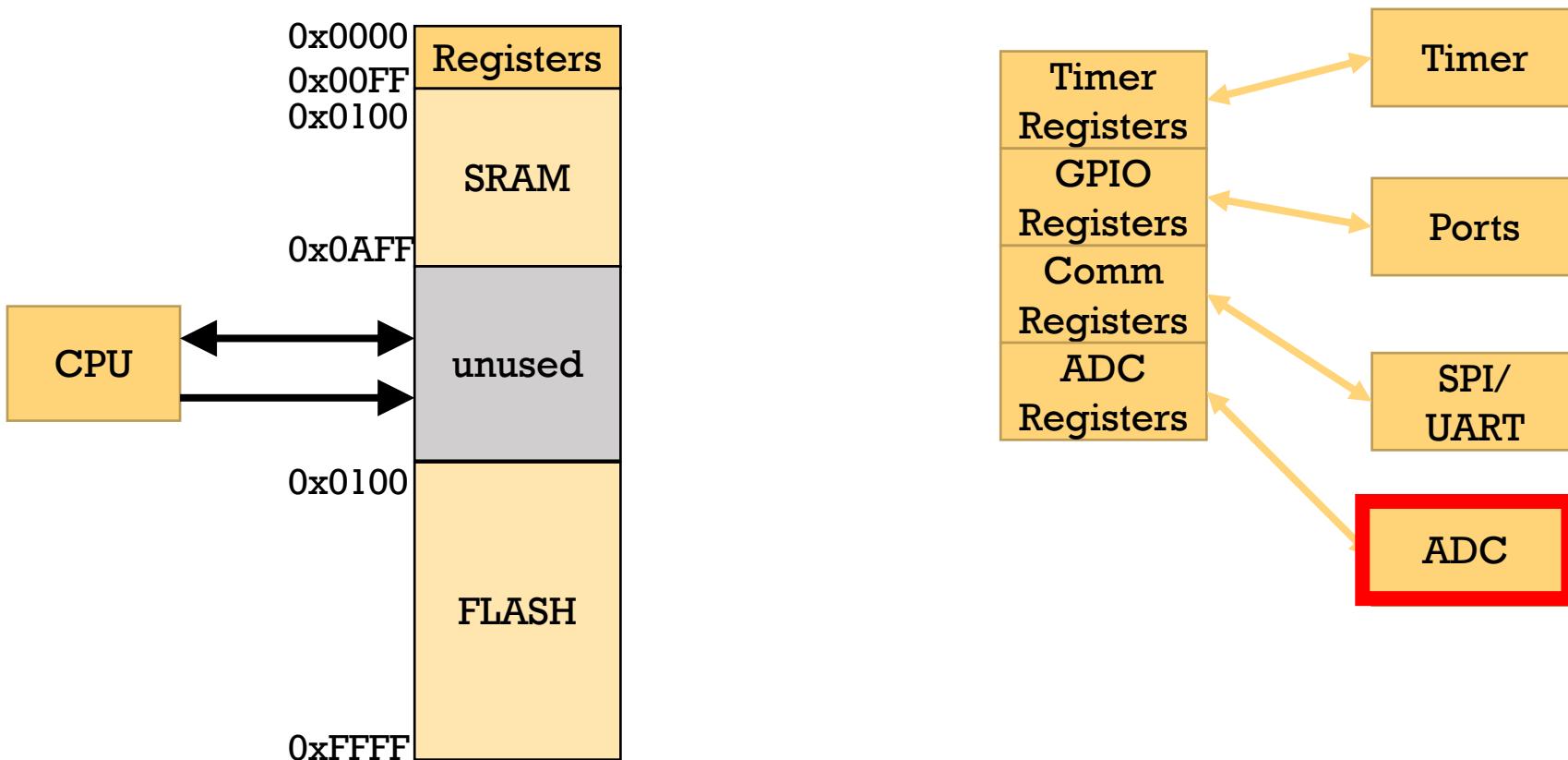
Agenda

01. Analog to Digital Converter (ADC)
02. ADC on ATmega 32U4 (Teensy)
03. Software filters
04. Analog rotational position sensors (if time)

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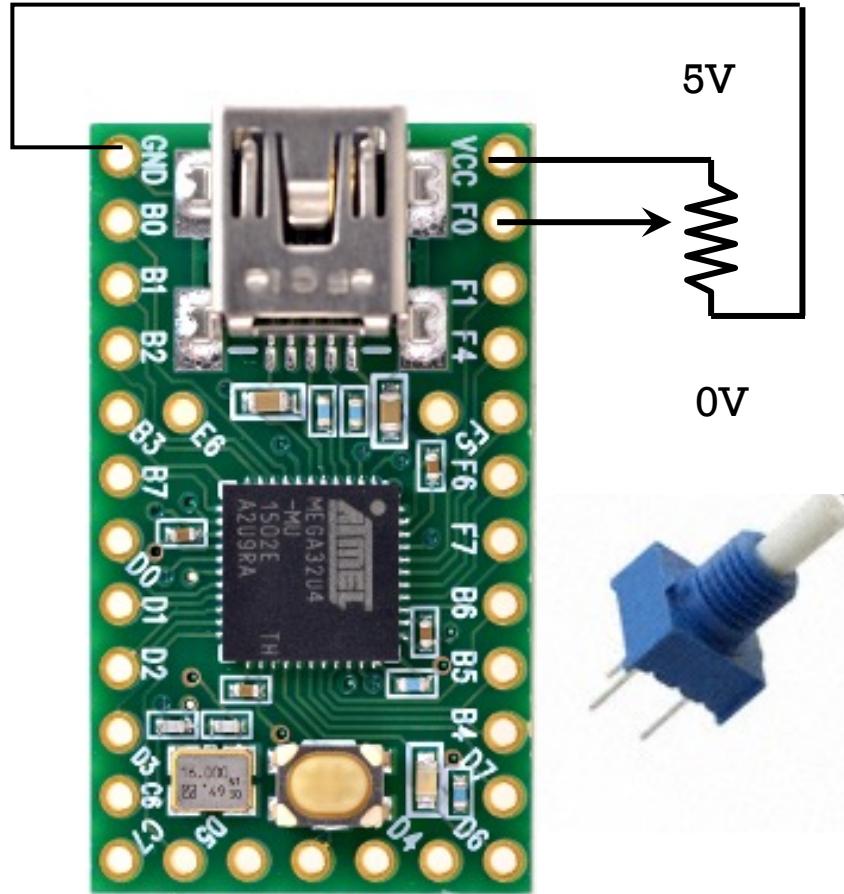
Analog to Digital Converter (ADC)

Peripherals run concurrent with main code



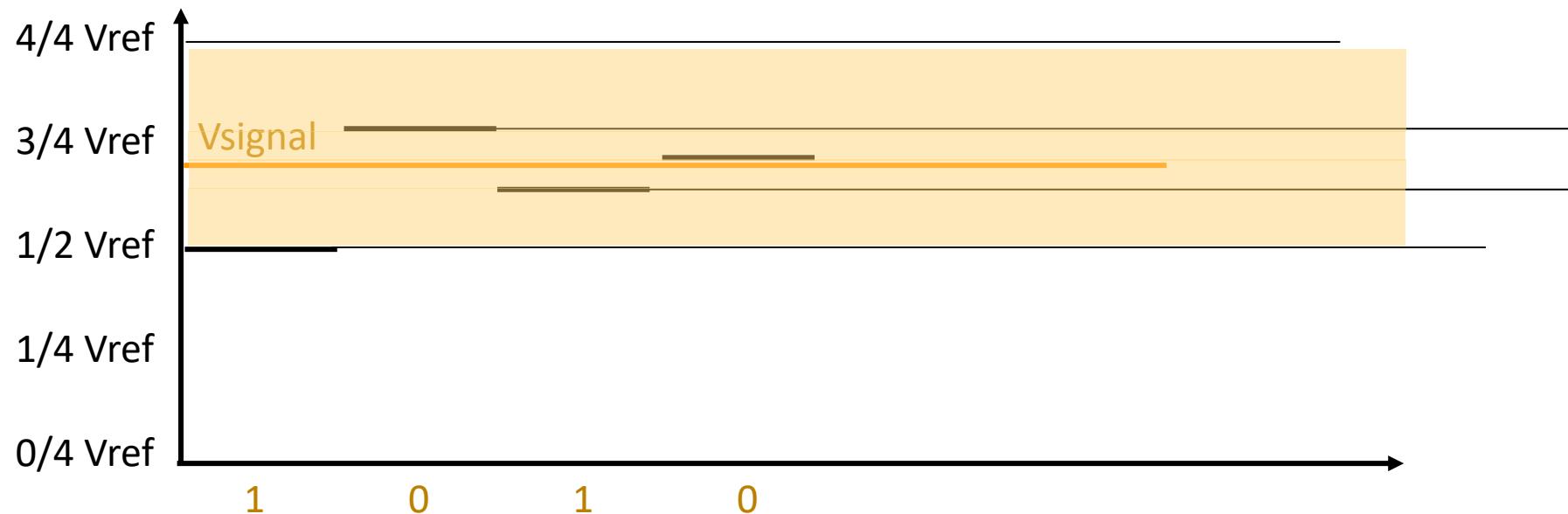
What and why?

- What is an analog to digital converter?
- What is the typical output?
- Where would you use one?



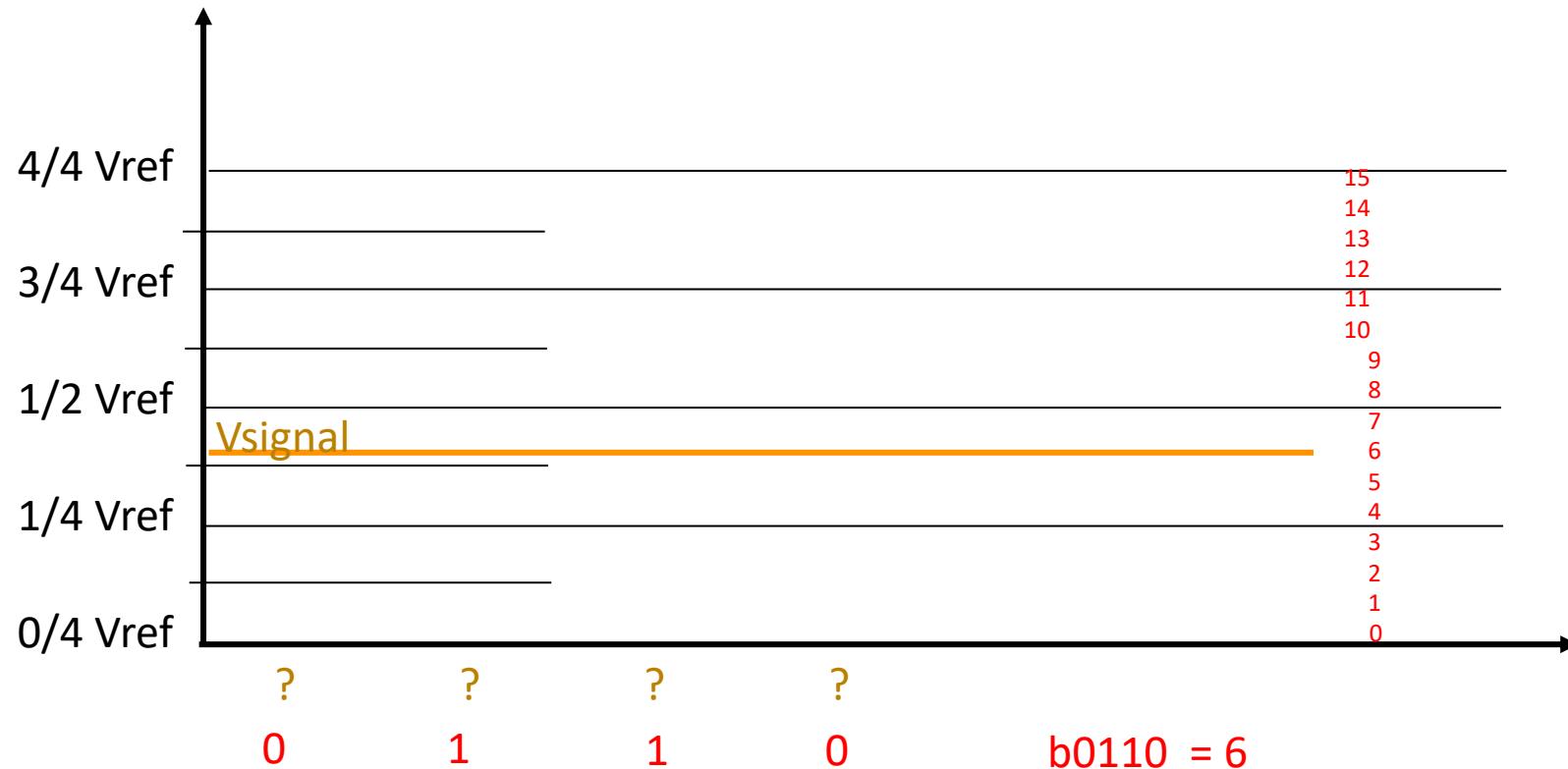
Ex: Successive Approximation (SAR)

Ask successively: "Which half is the signal in?"



Note: Each resolution bit takes an evaluation cycle. Higher resolution takes more time

Q1: What are the 4 bits from successive approximation?



ADC Architecture

Type of ADC	Resolution (Max Bits)	Sample Rate Typ (Max)	
Successive Approximation	8 - 18	10-20 kS/s	(10 MS/s)
Flash	4 - 12	400 kS/s	(10 GS/s)
Sigma Delta	8 - 32	1 kS/s	(1MS/s)
Dual Slope	12 - 20	30 S/s	(100 S/s)

Most Popular:

- Successive Approximation (SAR) – Low cost (e.g. orders of magnitude less the cost of flash for 10bit resolution). This is what Teensy uses (10bit)
- Sigma Delta – generally higher resolution but slower.
- DAC combo with comparator – very low cost, not really an ADC.

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ADC on ATmega 32U4

Analog to Digital Converter - ADC

- Page 297 of datasheet (on Canvas) (Chapter 24)

Atmel-7766-8-bit-avr-
ATmega16U4-
32U4_Datasheet.pdf

24. Analog to Digital Converter - ADC

24.1 Features

- 10/8-bit Resolution
- 0.5LSB Integral Non-linearity
- ± 2 LSB Absolute Accuracy
- 65 - 260 μ s Conversion Time
- Up to 15kSPS at Maximum Resolution
- Twelve Multiplexed Single-Ended Input Channels
- One Differential amplifier providing gain of 1x - 10x - 40x - 200x
- Temperature sensor
- Optional Left Adjustment for ADC Result Readout
- 0 - V_{CC} ADC Input Voltage Range
- Selectable 2.56V ADC Reference Voltage
- Free Running or Single Conversion Mode
- ADC Start Conversion by Auto Triggering on Interrupt Sources
- Interrupt on ADC Conversion Complete
- Sleep Mode Noise Canceler

The ATmega16U4/ATmega32U4 features a 10-bit successive approximation ADC. The ADC is connected to an 12-channel Analog Multiplexer which allows six single-ended voltage inputs constructed from several pins of Port B, D, and F. The single-ended voltage inputs refer to 0V (GND).

The device also supports 32 differential voltage input combinations, thanks to a differential amplifier equipped with a programmable gain stage, providing amplification steps of 0 dB (1x), 10 dB (10x), 16dB (40x), or 23dB (200x) on the differential input voltage before the A/D conversion. Two differential analog input channels share a common negative terminal (ADC0/ADC1), while any other ADC input can be selected as the positive input terminal. If 1x, 10x, or 40x gain is used, 8-bit resolution can be expected. If 200x gain is used, 7-bit resolution can be expected.

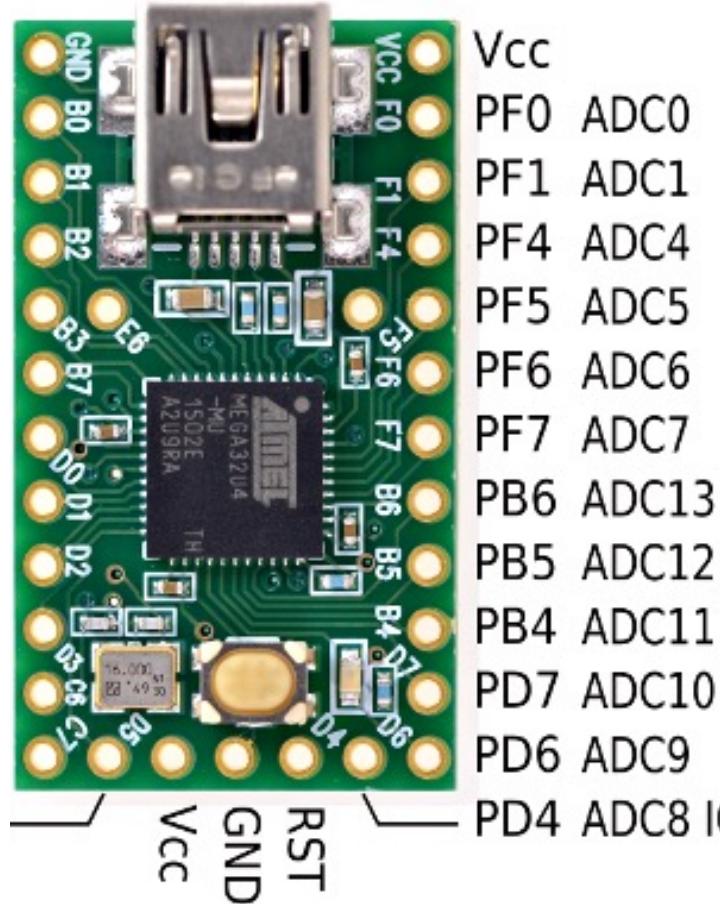
The ADC contains a Sample and Hold circuit which ensures that the input voltage to the ADC is held at a constant level during conversion. A block diagram of the ADC is shown in [Figure 24-1](#).

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 305 on how to connect this pin.

Internal reference voltages of nominally 2.56V 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.

Important ADC registers

- **DIDR0/DIDR2** – Digital Input Disable #
- **ADMUX** – Analog to Digital Multiplexer
- **ADCSRA** – Analog to Digital Converter Status Register A
- **ADC** – Analog to Digital Converter registers (2byte) – holds 10bit value for all channels.



Note: no ADC2 nor ADC3

Steps to use ADC

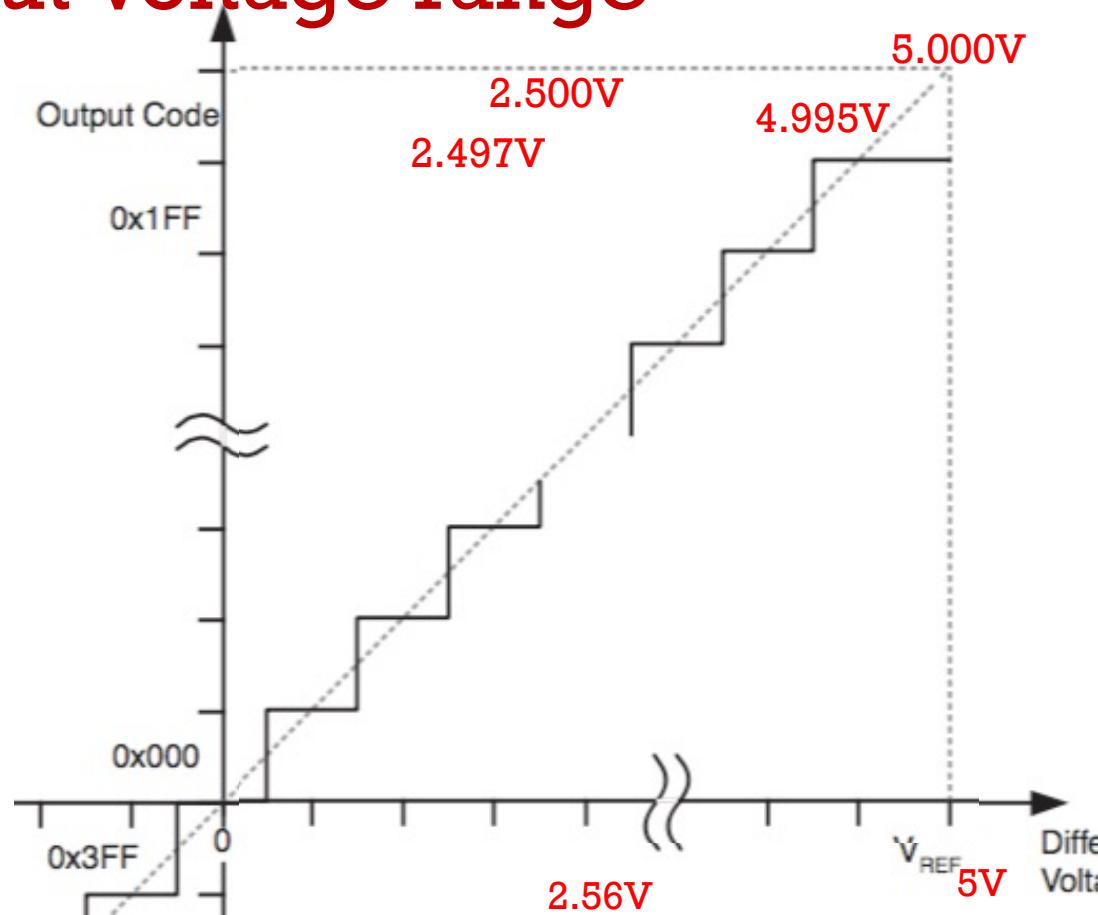
1. set the voltage reference
 2. set the ADC clock prescaler
 3. disable ADC digital input
 - ~~4. set up interrupts and triggering, if desired~~
 5. select the desired analog input
 6. enable conversions
 7. start the conversion process
 8. wait for conversion to finish
 9. read the result
 10. clear the conversion flag
- repeat
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- The diagram uses red curly braces to group steps. One brace groups steps 1 through 4, which are labeled 'Setup registers'. Another brace groups steps 5 through 10, which are labeled 'Get reading from one pin'. Step 10 is also highlighted with a red rectangular box.

All of this using registers.

See <http://medesign.seas.upenn.edu/index.php/Guides/MaEvArM-adc>

Step 1: ADC input voltage range

- Sensitivity determined by
 - input range and
 - resolution (#of bits)
- Vref can be Vcc, 2.56V or AREF pin (internal on Teensy)
- If signal is 0-2.5V, then using 2.56V for Vref is better



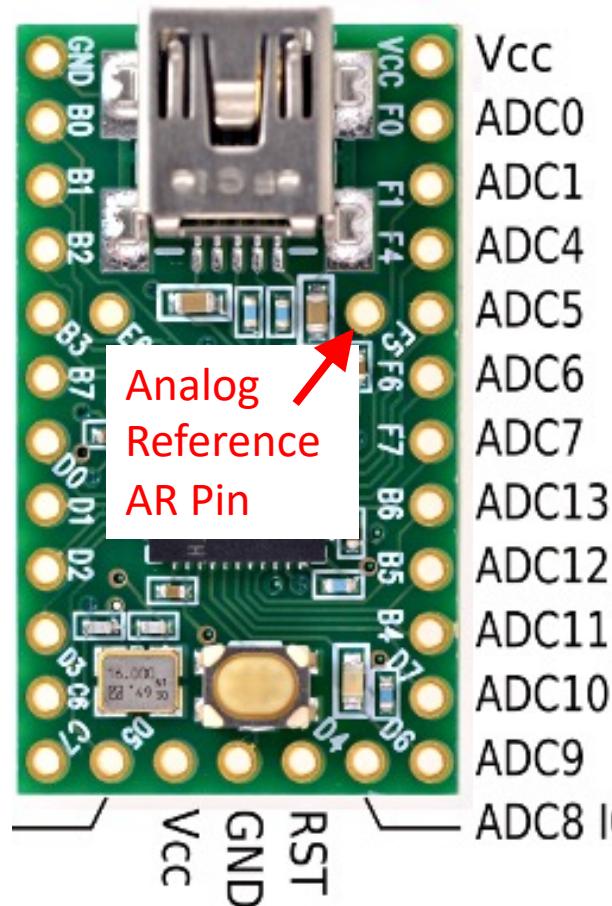
ADC Reference

Voltage Reference

The reference voltage for the ADC is set by the **REFS1** and **REFS0** bits in **ADMUX** as:

ADMUX: REFS1	ADMUX: REFS0	
0	0	external AREF (AR pin) - DEFAULT
0	1	Vcc
1	1	internal 2.56V

Note - Do not set this to **Vcc** or **2.56V** if there is a voltage applied to the **AR** pin, as they will be shorted together!



Step 2: ADC frequency

- Valid Clock is 50kHz to 200khz – you set by **ADCSRA:ADPS[012]**

ADCSRA: ADPS2	ADCSRA: ADPS1	ADCSRA: ADPS0		Speed w/16Mhz
0	0	0 or 1	/2	8Mhz
0	1	0	/4	4Mhz
0	1	1	/8	2Mhz
1	0	0	/16	1Mhz
1	0	1	/32	500khz
1	1	0	/64	250khz
1	1	1	/128	125khz

Only valid one for 16MHz system

Notes:

Analog read is slow...

Takes 25 ADC clock cycles first read (5Khz)

13 cycles every other (~10Khz)

Compare to digital read (~4Mhz)

Timer Prescalers DO NOT effect ADC prescaler

There is a system clock prescaler, CLKPR which scales everything including ADC clock.

Step 3 Disable Digital Input

DIDR0/DIDR2 Digital Input Disable Register

Bit	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
	ADC7D	ADC6D	ADC5D	ADC4D	-	-	ADC1D	ADC0D	DIDR0
Read/Write	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	
Initial Value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

- Bit 7:4, 1:0 – ADC7D..4D - ADC1D..0D: ADC7:4 - ADC1:0 Digital Input Disable

When this bit is written logic one, the digital input buffer on the corresponding ADC pin is disabled.

Bit	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
	-	-	ADC13D	ADC12D	ADC11D	ADC10D	ADC9D	ADC8D	DIDR2
Read/Write	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	
Initial Value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

- Bit 5:0 – ADC13D..ADC8D: ADC13:8 Digital Input Disable

Q2: setup ADC to use ADC9

1. Use VCC for Vref.
 2. Set prescaler /128 -> ~100kHz (more info @ atmel doc p.315)
 3. Disable digital input for ADC0

ADMUX: REFS1	ADMUX: REFS0		ADCSRA: ADPS2	ADCSRA: ADPS1	ADCSRA: ADPS0	
0	0	external AREF (AR pin) - DEFAULT	1	0	0	/16
0	1	Vcc	1	0	1	/32
1	1	internal 2.56V	1	1	0	/64
			1	1	1	/128

Q2: setup ADC to use ADC9

1. Use VCC for Vref. `set(ADMUX, REFS0);`
2. Set prescaler /128
 - `set(ADCSRA, ADPS0);`
 - `set(ADCSRA, ADPS1);`
 - `set(ADCSRA, ADPS2);`
1. Disable digital input for ADC0 (the pin we decide to use)
`set(DIDR2, ADC9D);`

Step 5: Choose ADC channel

(skip step 4 for now)

Q3: Use set and clear to choose ADC9

ADCSRB: MUX5	ADMUX: MUX2	ADMUX: MUX1	ADMUX: MUX0		
0	0	0	0	ADC0	F0
0	0	0	1	ADC1	F1
0	1	0	0	ADC4	F4
0	1	0	1	ADC5	F5
0	1	1	0	ADC6	F6
0	1	1	1	ADC7	F7
1	0	0	0	ADC8	D4
1	0	0	1	ADC9	D6
1	0	1	0	ADC10	D7
1	0	1	1	ADC11	B4
1	1	0	0	ADC12	B5
1	1	0	1	ADC13	B6

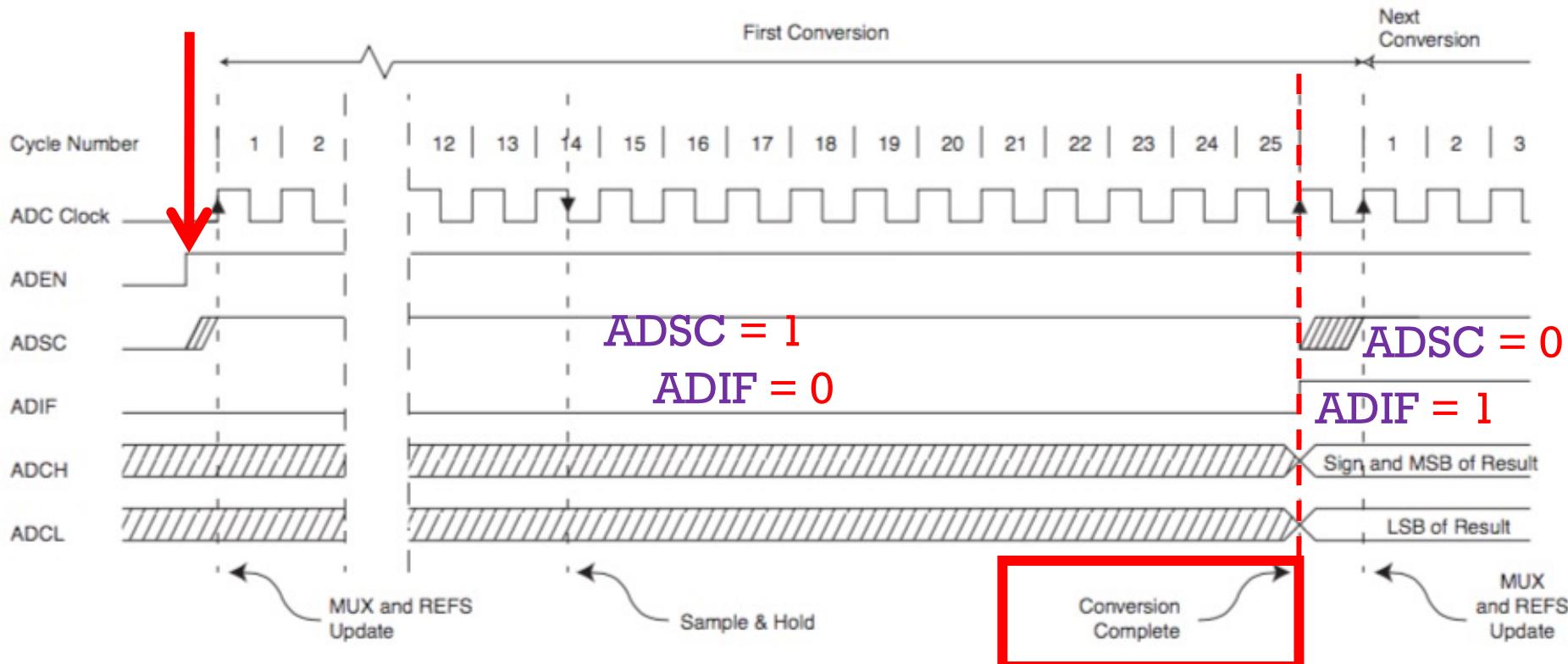
Step 6 to 10: Read ADC values

6. Enable ADC – set **ADCSRA:ADEN**
7. Start conversion – set **ADCSRA**,
ADSC
8. Wait for conversion to finish
(check **ADCSRA:ADIF**)
9. Use value e.g. print (**ADC**) to USB
10. Clear the conversion complete
flag (if using **ADCSRA:ADIF**)

Q4: write commands to do steps 6 – 10 to print

ADC single conversion timing diagram

Difference between (ADCSRA:ADSC) and (ADCSRA:ADIF) ?



ADC demo

```
int main(void){
    ADC_setup(ADC0); // My subroutine to initialize the ADC registers
    m_usb_init(); // Subroutine to initialize USB communication

    for(;;){
        if (bit_is_set(ADCSRA, ADIF)) { // if ADC conversion complete
            set(ADCSRA, ADIF); // reset the flag, see page 316

            m_usb_tx_string("\rADC = "); // \r = carriage return,
            m_usb_tx_uint(ADC); // print the ADC value from the ADC register
            asteriskmeter(ADC/20); // my subroutine to print ***'s

            set(ADCSRA, ADSC); //start converting again
        }
    }
    return 0; /* never reached */
}
```

ADC free-running

- Setup stuff:
 - Prescaler and/or Voltage Reference
 - choose which channels to read
 - set DIDR bits
 - set Autotrigger (**ADCSRA**:**ADATE**) and/or enable interrupts (**ADIE**)
 - set first channel
 - If using interrupts enable global (**sei();**)
- Interrupt based calls when multiplexing channels
 - Read / store value in appropriate channel variable
 - select next channel to read

ADC Multiplexing (multiple channels)

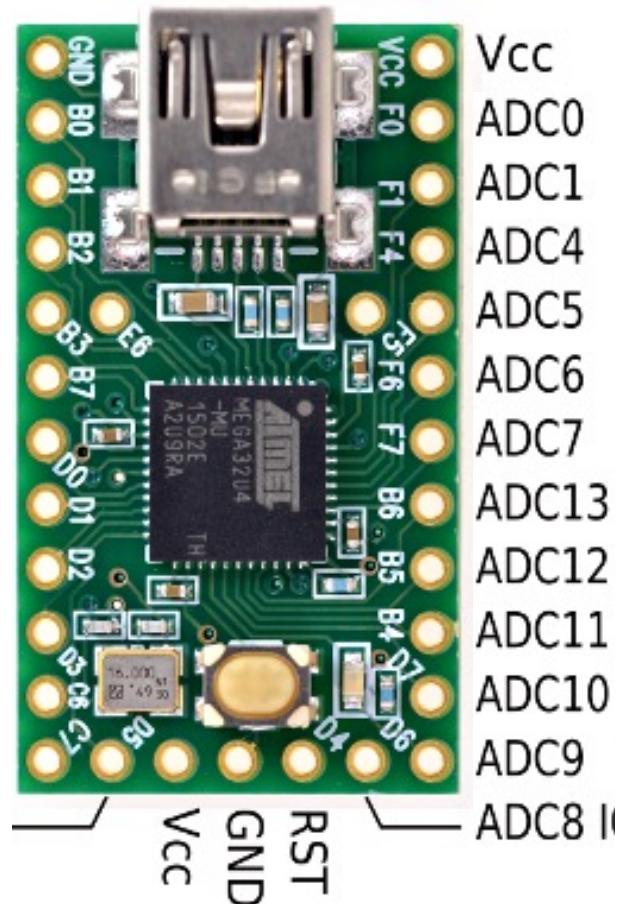
- Simplest using free run mode

Setup

1. set the voltage reference
2. set the ADC clock prescaler
3. disable some digital inputs

Loop at ~5Khz

4. disable conversion (clear **ADEN**)
5. select the analog channel (change to new one if desired **ADMUX**)
6. enable conversions (set **ADEN**)
7. wait for conversion to finish
8. read the result for the channel selected



ADC Multiplexing (multiple channels)

- Faster than simple (about double speed)

Setup

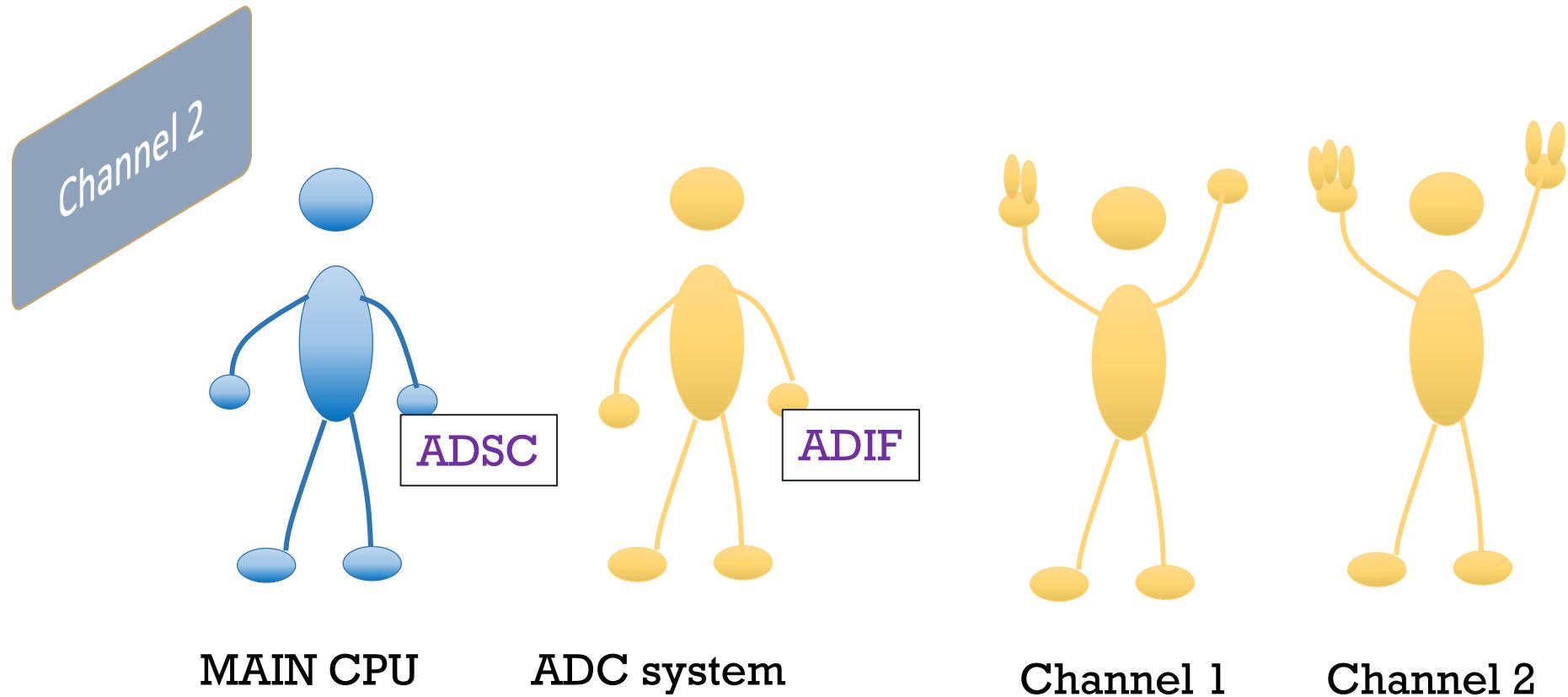
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2. set the ADC clock prescaler
3. disable some digital inputs
4. select the analog input for 1st read

Loop @ ~10Khz

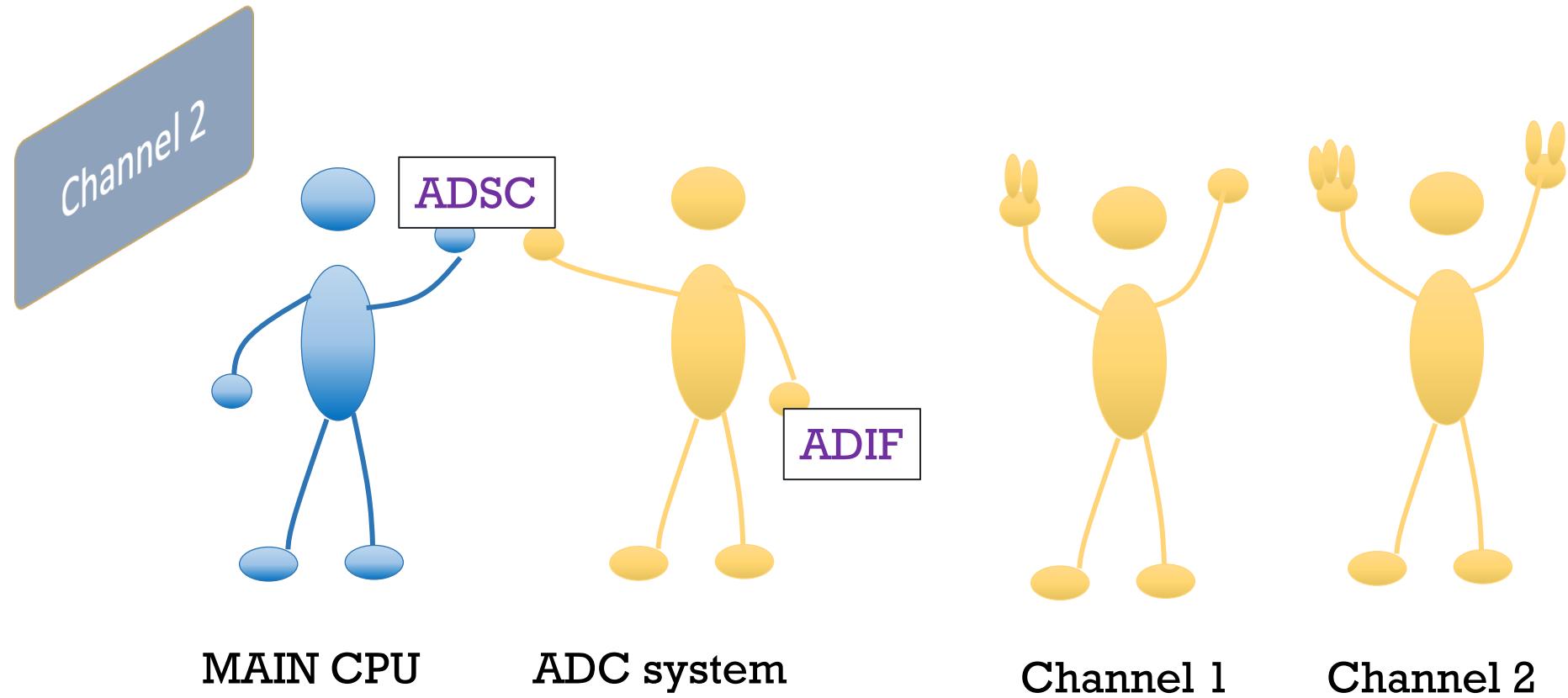
5. start conversion for nth read (set **ADSC**)
4. select/change analog input for (**nth+1**) read
6. wait for conversion to finish
7. read **nth** result

see Atmel docs starting at p 300 for more info.

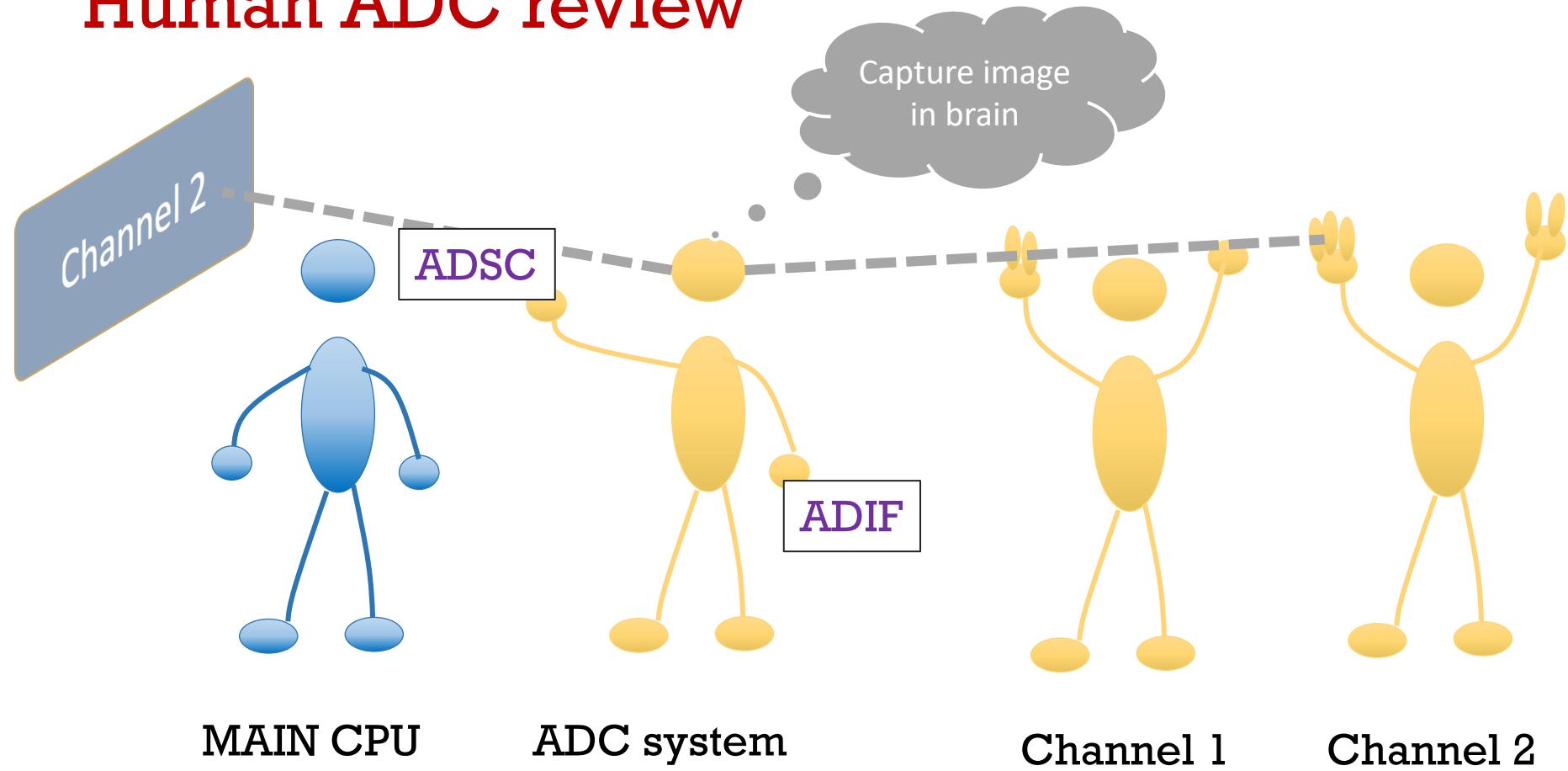
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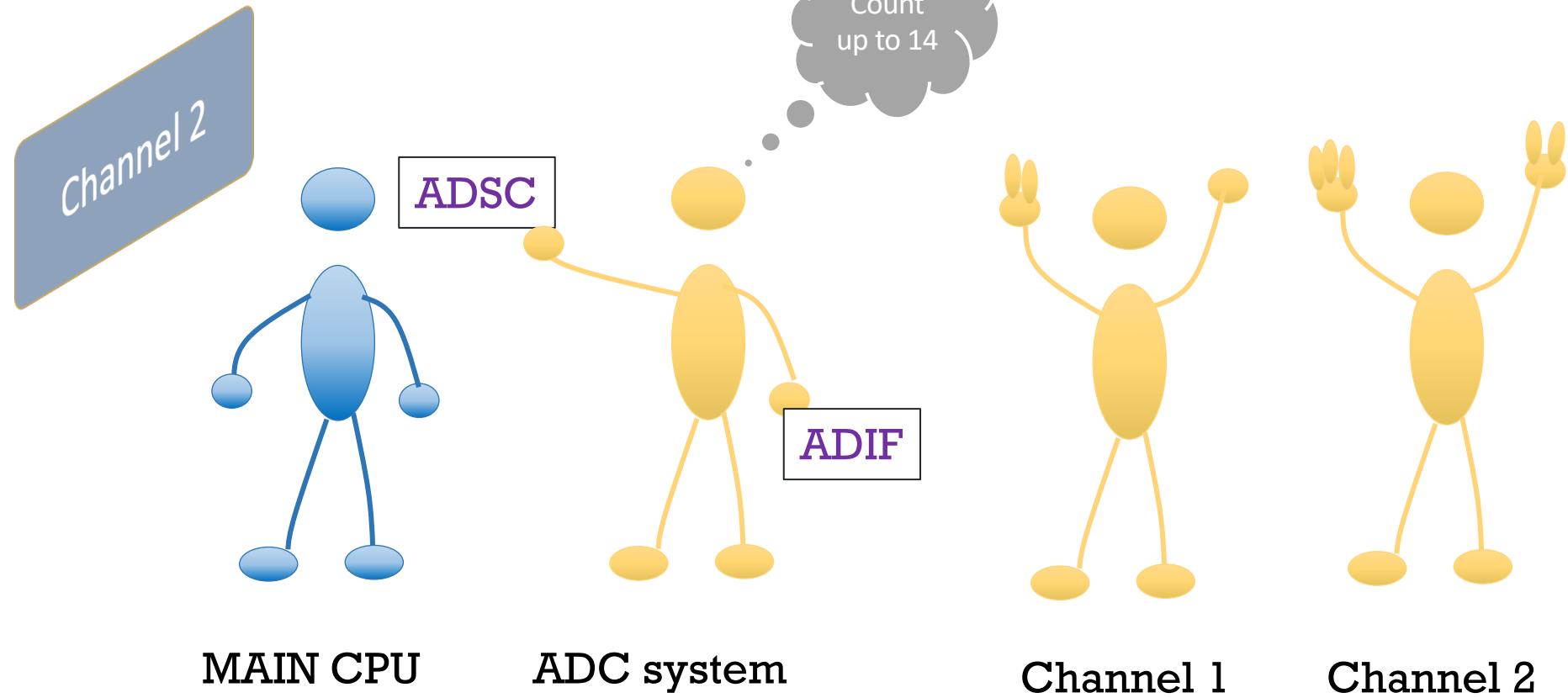
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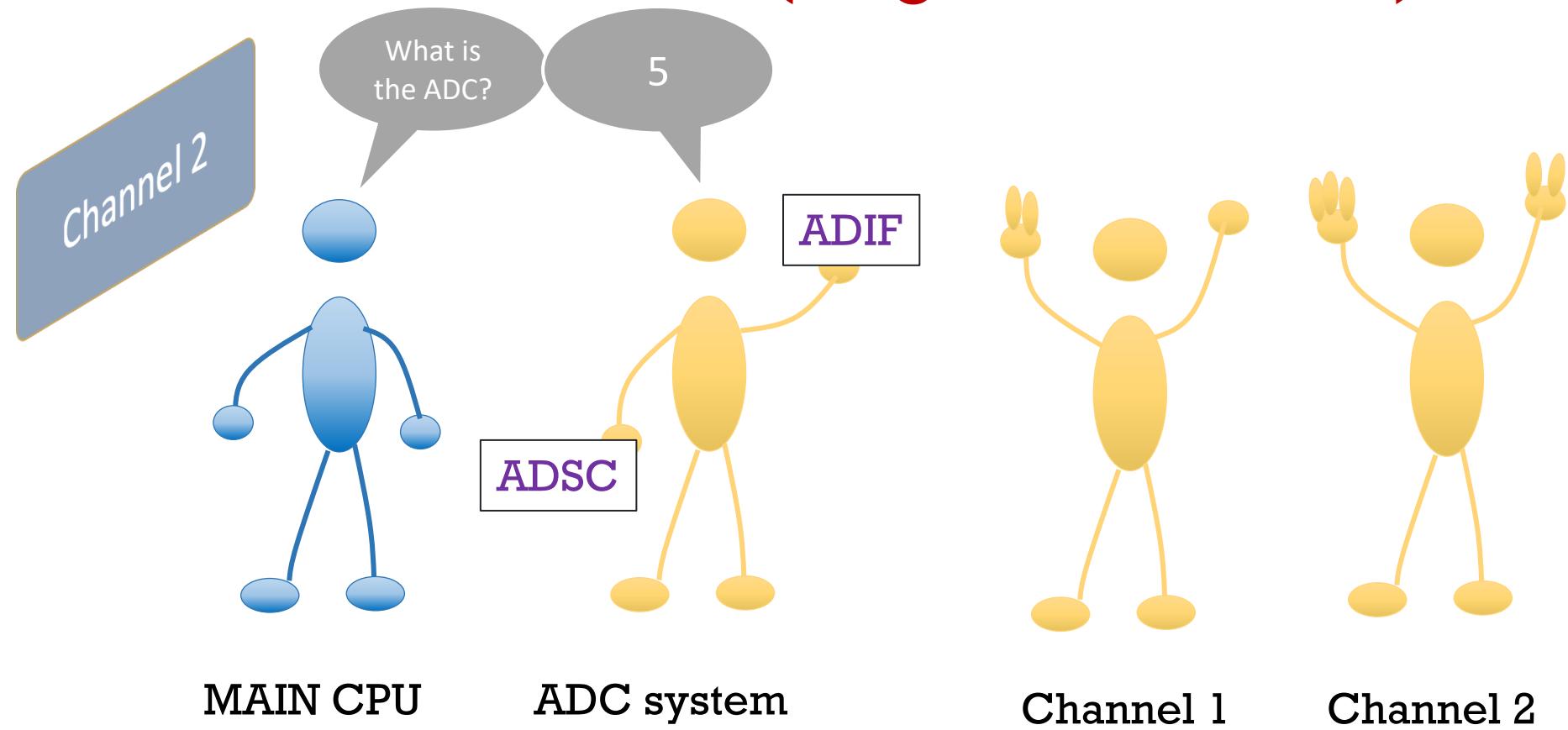
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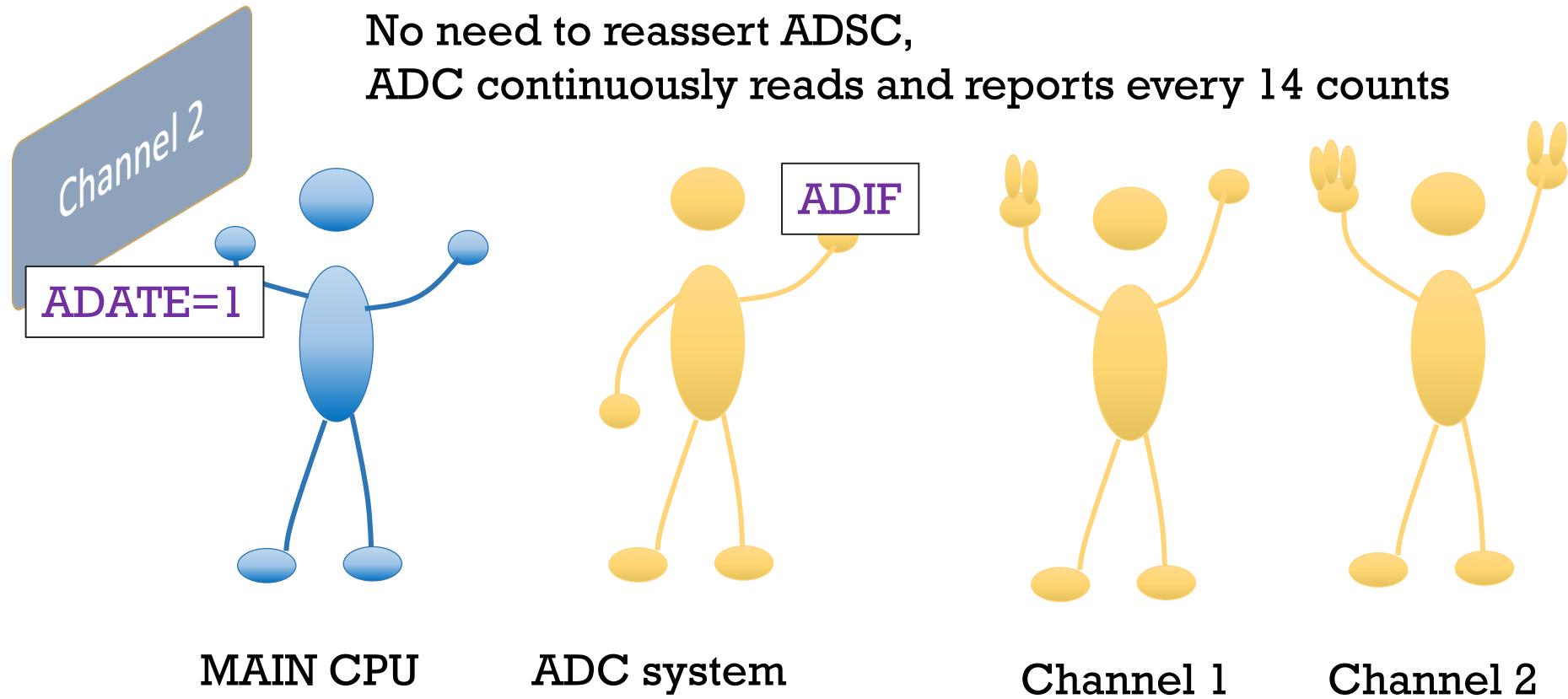
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Human ADC review (single conversion)



Human ADC review (free-running)

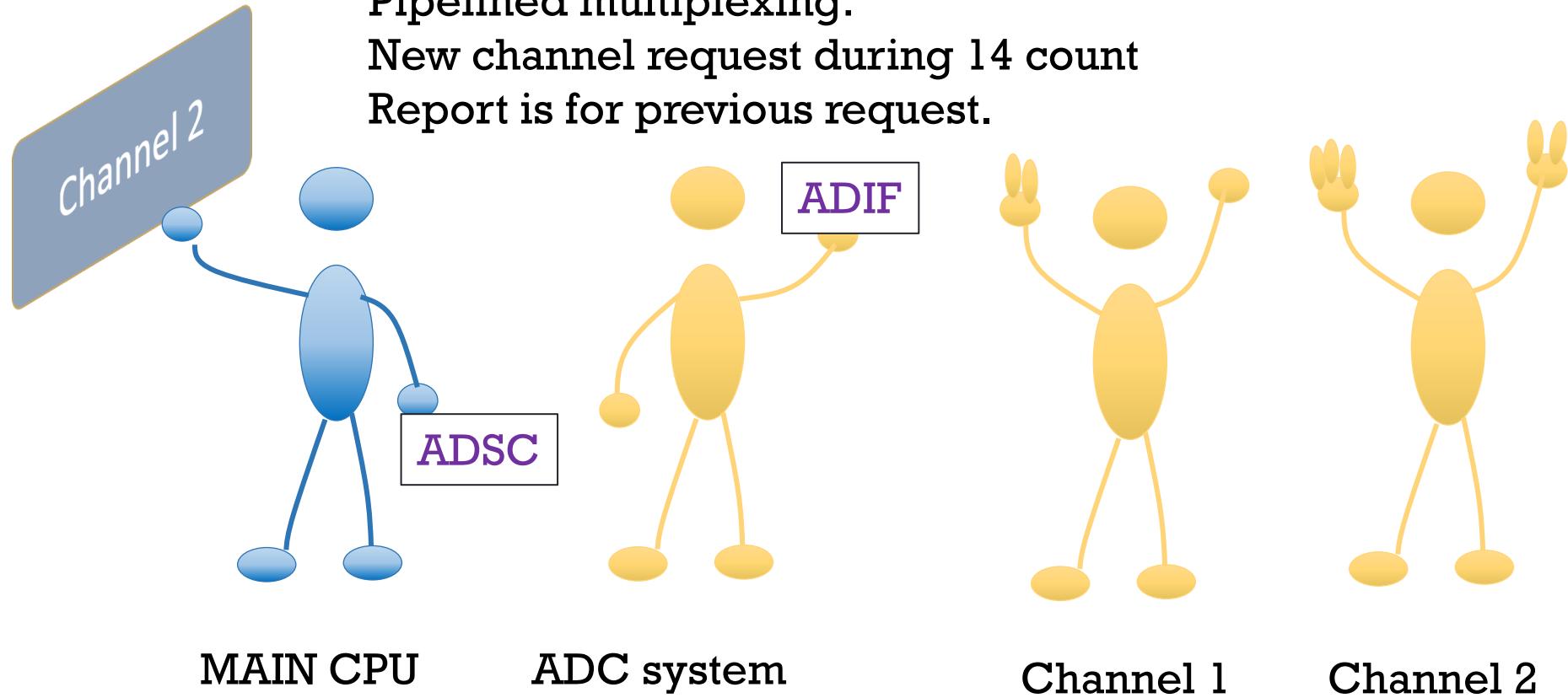


Human ADC review (multiplexing)

Pipelined multiplexing:

New channel request during 14 count

Report is for previous request.



ATMEGA programmable gain functions

- The ATMEGA32U4 has some fancy ways of amplifying values between two ADC ports.
- Can set 10x 40x 200x gains.
- It's a bit complicated and not very common among ADC's in other processors – not recommended, but it is there.
- More info:
 - Atmel-7766-8-bit-AVR-ATmega16U4-32U4_Datasheet.pdf
 - Page 297 to 315

Example: ADC Setup Subroutine

```
void adc_setup(int ADCchannel){  
  
    if(ADCchannel == 1)      {  
        set(D1DRO, ADC1D); // disable digital input  
        set(ADMUX, MUX0); // pin f1  
        clear(ADMUX, MUX1);  
        clear(ADMUX, MUX2);  
        clear(ADCSR8, MUX5);  
    }  
    if(ADCchannel == 4)      {  
        set(DIDRO, ADC4D); // disable digital input  
        clear(ADMUX, MUX0); // pin f4  
        clear(ADMUX, MUX1);  
        set(ADMUX, MUX2)  
        clear(ADCSR8, MUX5);  
    }  
    ... if(ADCchannel == 5) ...  
    ... if(ADCchannel == 6) ...  
    ... // up to ADCchannel 13  
    ... // do other things like enable ADEN, ADATE if free running, prescaler etc.  
}
```

THIS CODE HAS ERRORS
DO NOT COPY AND PASTE
FOR LAB 3!!

Code simplicity (maybe elegance)

```
void setDIDR(unsigned char ADCchannel)
{
}
```

Byte ordering is wrong :(

ADC0D = 0
ADC1D = 1
ADC4D = 4
ADC5D = 5
ADC6D = 6
ADC7D = 8

→ Is there one line that can set one DIDR bit for a corresponding ADC channel (ADC0 to ADC7) using bit operations?



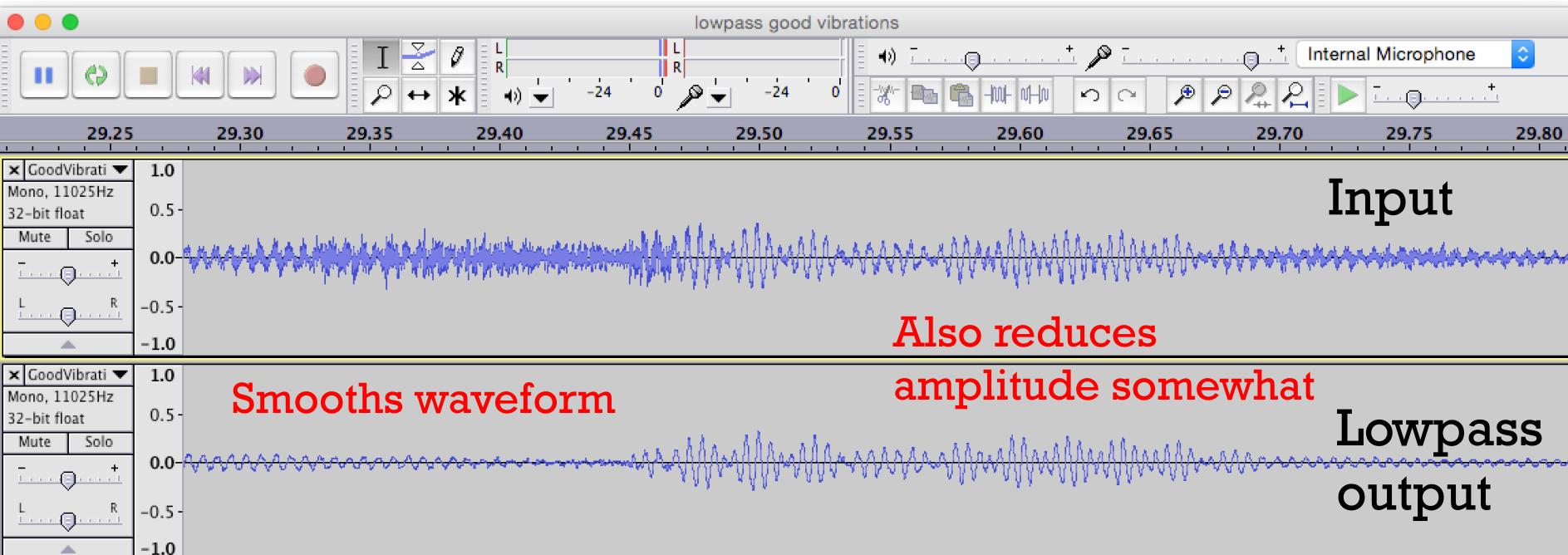
ACD Summary

- ADC Modes: single conversion, free-running, multiplexing, interrupt-driven
- Set which channel in **ADMUX** (plus **ADCSRB**)
- Control in **ADCSRA** register
 - **ADEN** enables ADC
 - **ADSC** starts conversion
 - **ADIF** indicates conversion complete
- Read 10-bit value in **ADC** register

03

Software Filters

Audio filters work same



Simple software low pass software filter

Q5: What does this code do?

Use subroutines

```
int avgtwo(int data1, data2) {  
    return (data1 + data2)/2;  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    for(;;){  
        PRINT (avgtwo(readSensor(),readSensor()));  
    }  
}
```

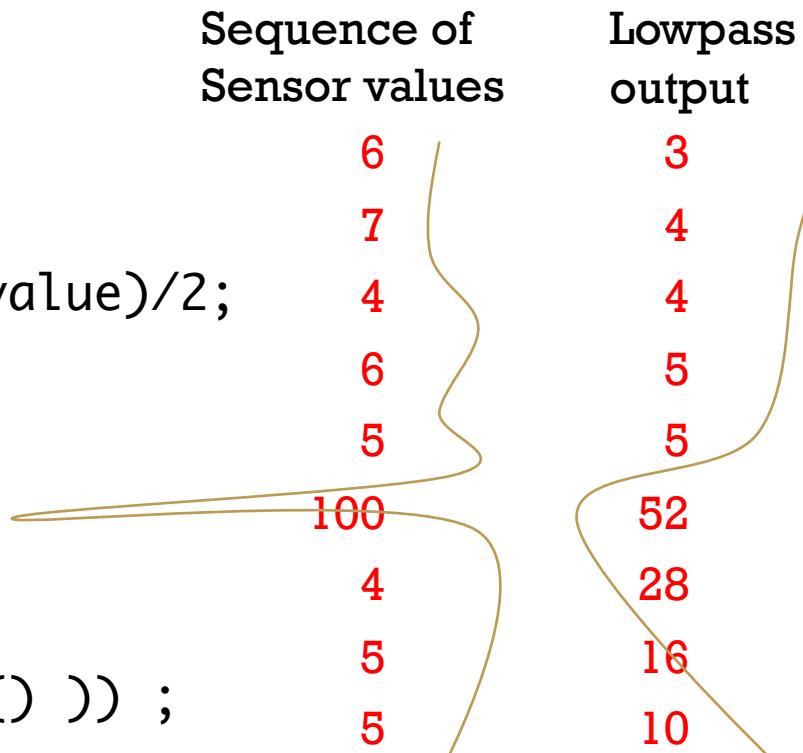
Sequence of Sensor values	Lowpass output
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6	
7	6
4	
6	5
5	
100	52
4	
5	5
5	

Simple software low pass software filter

Use subroutines

```
int lowpass(int newvalue) {  
    static int lastvalue;  
  
    lastvalue = (newvalue + lastvalue)/2;  
  
    return lastvalue;  
}  
  
int main() {  
    for(;;){  
        PRINT (lowpass( readSensor() )) ;  
    }  
}
```



Moving Average Software Filter

```
int movingavg(int newvalue,int WEIGHT) {  
    int update;  
    static int lastvalue;  
    update = (WEIGHT*lastvalue + newvalue)/(WEIGHT+1);  
    lastvalue = update;  
    return update;  
}
```

Example input	6	7	4	6	5	100	4	5	5
Running avg (weight = 1)	3	5	4	5	5	52	28	16	10
Running avg (weight = 3)	2	3	3	3	3	27	21	17	14

Exponential Moving Average (EMA) [Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) filter]

$$y[n] = (1 - \alpha)y[n - 1] + \alpha x[n]$$

Example: update = (1 - 0.3) lastvalue + 0.3 * newvalue;
update = (WEIGHT*lastvalue + newvalue)/(WEIGHT+1);

$$f_{3dB} = \frac{f_s}{2\pi} \cos^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha^2}{2(1 - \alpha)} \right]$$

f_{3dB} is the corner (cutoff) frequency

f_s is the sampling frequency

α is $1 - (\text{WEIGHT} / (\text{WEIGHT} + 1))$ in the previous code

$$\text{WEIGHT} = (1 - \alpha)/\alpha$$

EMA Example

$F_s = 40000\text{Hz}$

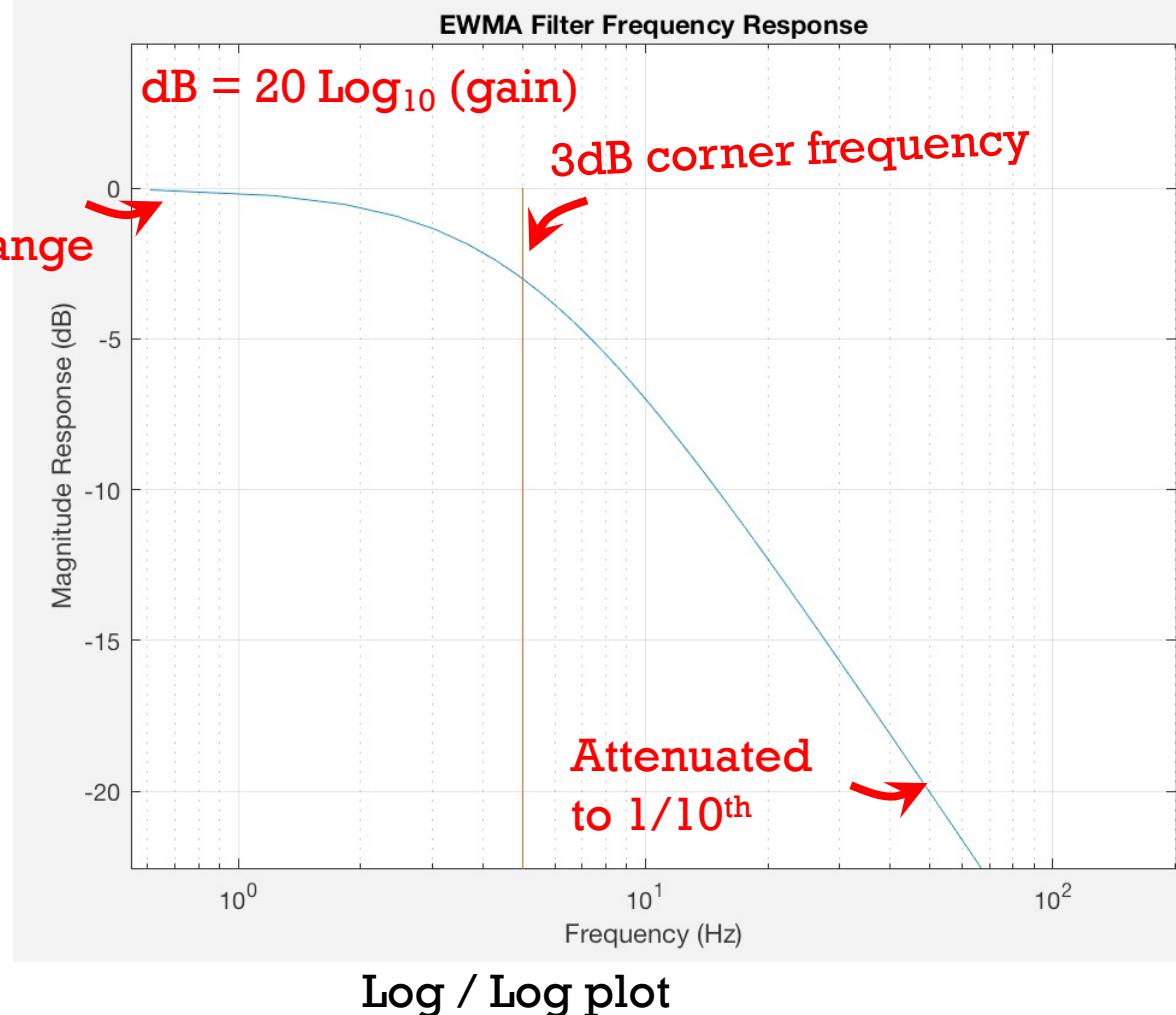
$F_{3\text{db}} = 5\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 1273$

$(\alpha = 7.85 \text{ e-}4)$

Q6: in chat: What kind of filter is this?

No change



High Pass?

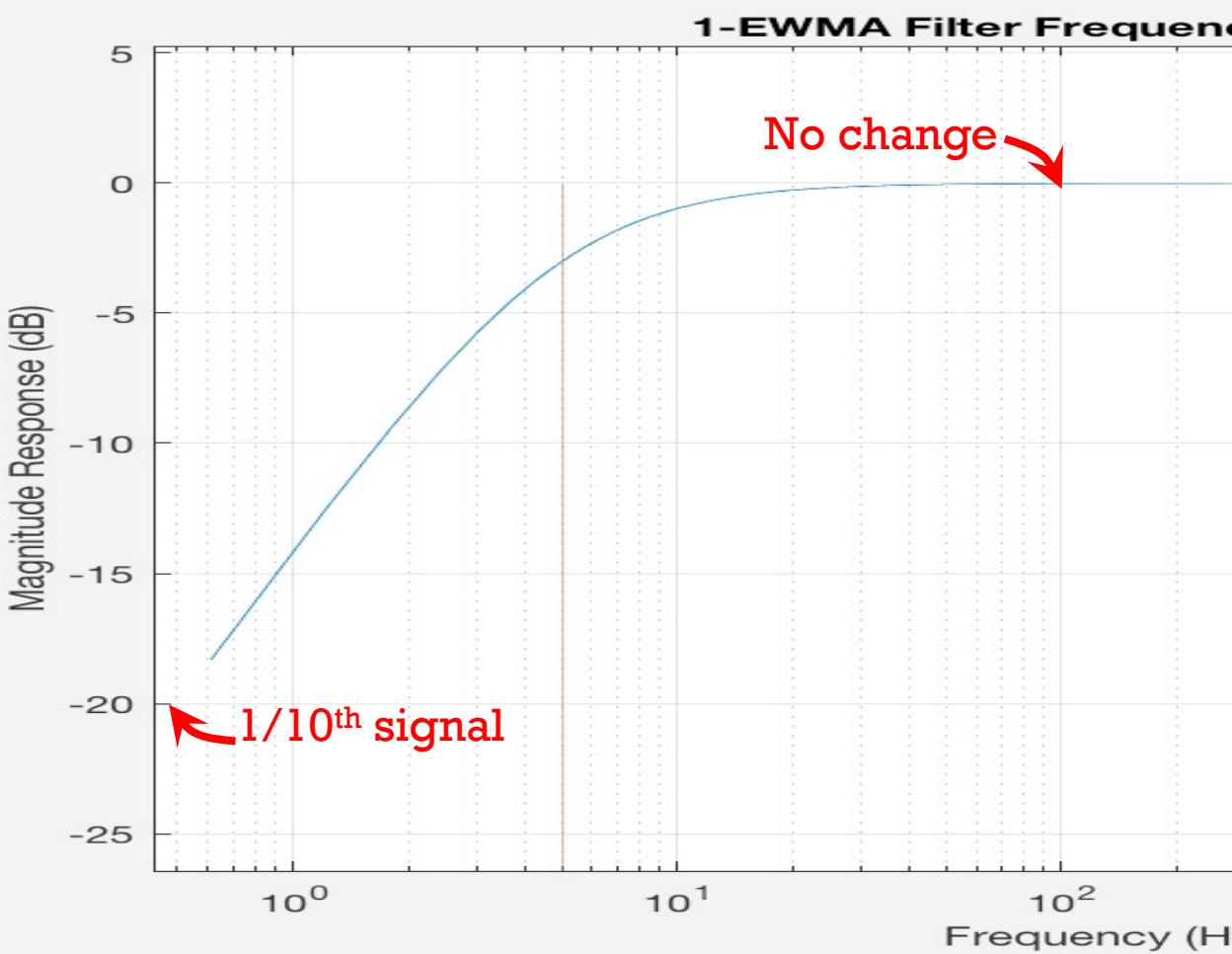
$F_s = 40000\text{Hz}$

$F_{3\text{db}} = 5\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 1273$

$(\alpha = 7.85 \text{ e-}4)$

Plot of 1 – EMA response



High Pass Filter (just subtract lowpass)

```
int highpass(int newvalue,int WEIGHT){  
    static int lastvalue;  
  
    lastvalue = WEIGHT*lastvalue + newvalue)/(WEIGHT+1);  
    return newvalue - lastvalue;  
}
```

Example input	6	7	4	6	5	100	4	5	5
Running avg (weight = 1)	3	5	4	5	5	52	26	15	10
Highpass	3	2	0	1	0	48	-22	-10	-5

Band Stop AKA Notch Filter

$F_s = 40000\text{Hz}$

$F3db1 = 5\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 1273$

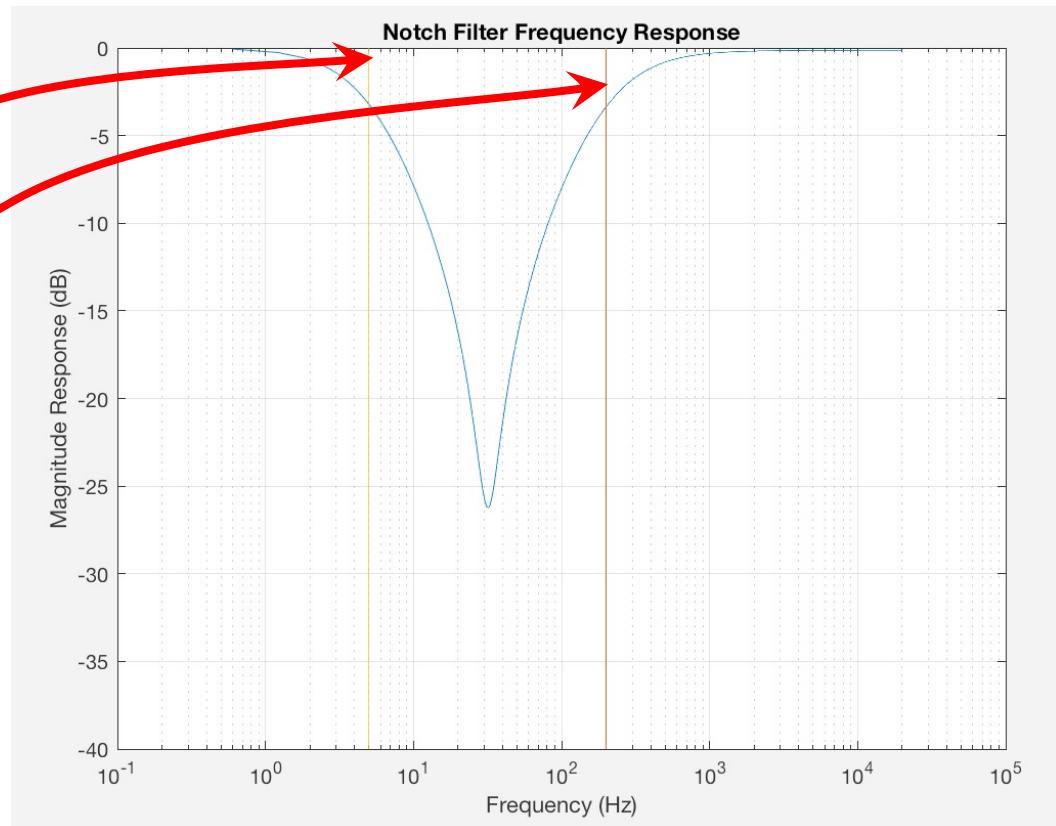
$(\alpha = 7.85 \text{ e-4})$

$F3db1 = 200\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 31$

$(\alpha = 0.0309)$

Plot of $\text{EMA2} - \text{EMA1}$ response



Band Pass?

$F_s = 40000\text{Hz}$

$F_{3\text{db}1} = 5\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 1273$

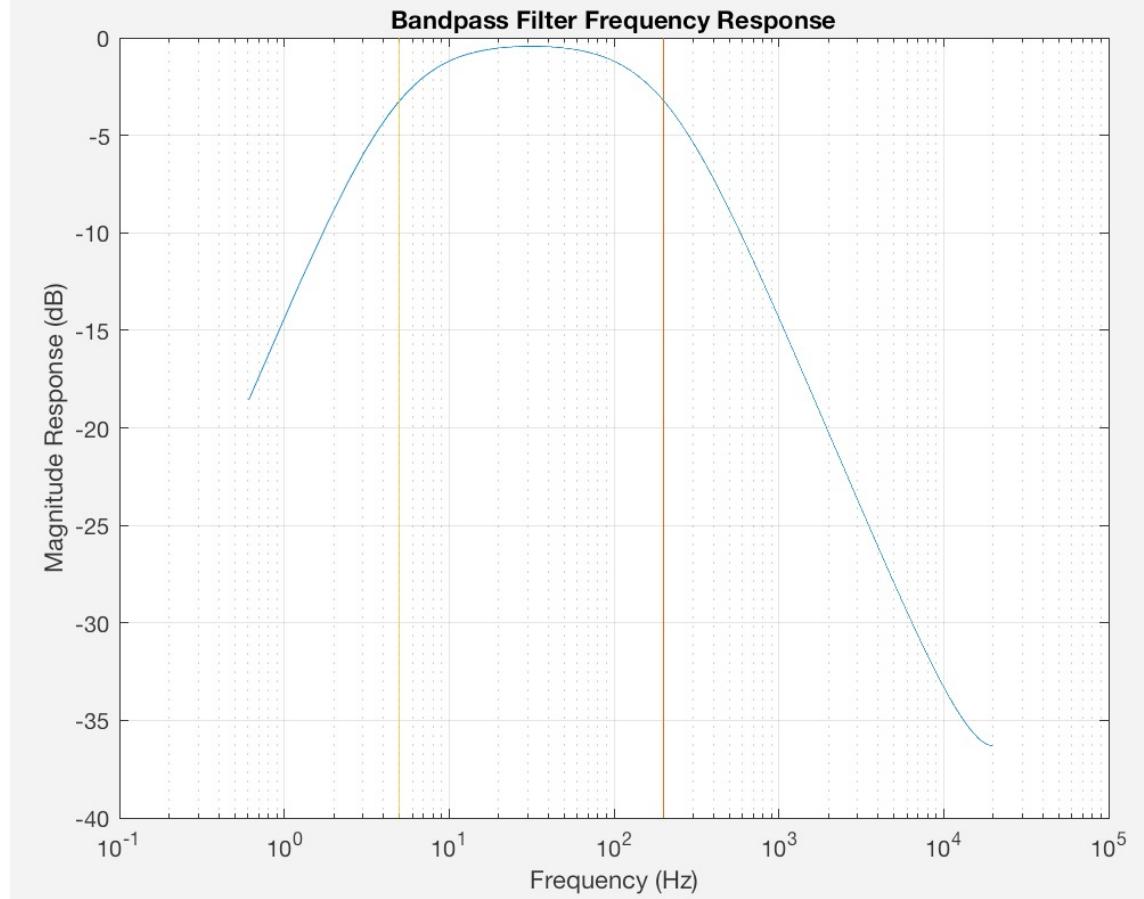
$(\alpha = 7.85 \text{ e-}4)$

$F_{3\text{db}1} = 200\text{Hz}$

$\text{WEIGHT} = 31$

$(\alpha = 0.0309)$

Plot of 1- Band stop



Designing for WEIGHT cutoff frequency

f_{3dB} is the corner (cutoff) frequency

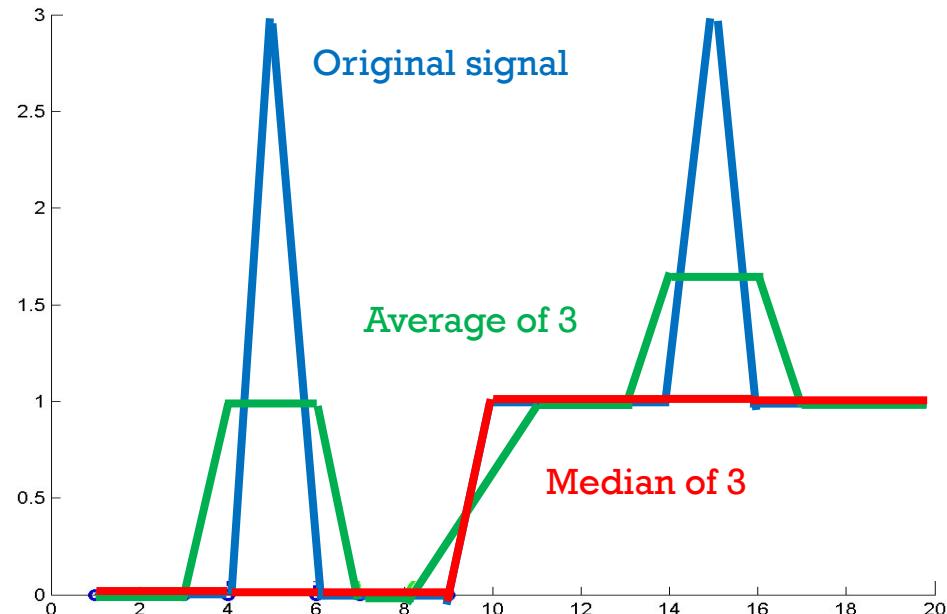
f_s is the sampling frequency

$$\Omega = \frac{2\pi}{f_s} f_{3dB} = \frac{2\pi}{40\text{KHz}} 60\text{Hz} = 0.0094$$

$$\alpha = \cos(\Omega) - 1 + \sqrt{\cos^2(\Omega) - 4 \cos(\Omega) + 3}$$

$$\text{WEIGHT} = (1 - \alpha)/\alpha = 105$$

Median filter



Example of median of 3 values:

$$x = [2 \ 80 \ 6 \ 3]$$

The median filtered output signal y will be:

$$y[1] = \text{Median}[2 \ 2 \ 80] = 2$$

$$y[2] = \text{Median}[2 \ 80 \ 6] = \text{Median}[2 \ 6 \ 80] = 6$$

$$y[3] = \text{Median}[80 \ 6 \ 3] = \text{Median}[3 \ 6 \ 80] = 6$$

$$y[4] = \text{Median}[6 \ 3 \ 3] = \text{Median}[3 \ 3 \ 6] = 3$$

$$\text{i.e. } y = [2 \ 6 \ 6 \ 3].$$

Simplest Code Examples

```
int med3filt(int a, int b, int c) {  
    int middle;  
    if ((a <= b) && (a <= c))  
        middle = (b <= c) ? b : c;  
    else if ((b <= a) && (b <= c))  
        middle = (a <= c) ? a : c;  
    else    middle = (a <= b) ? a : b;  
    return middle;  
}
```

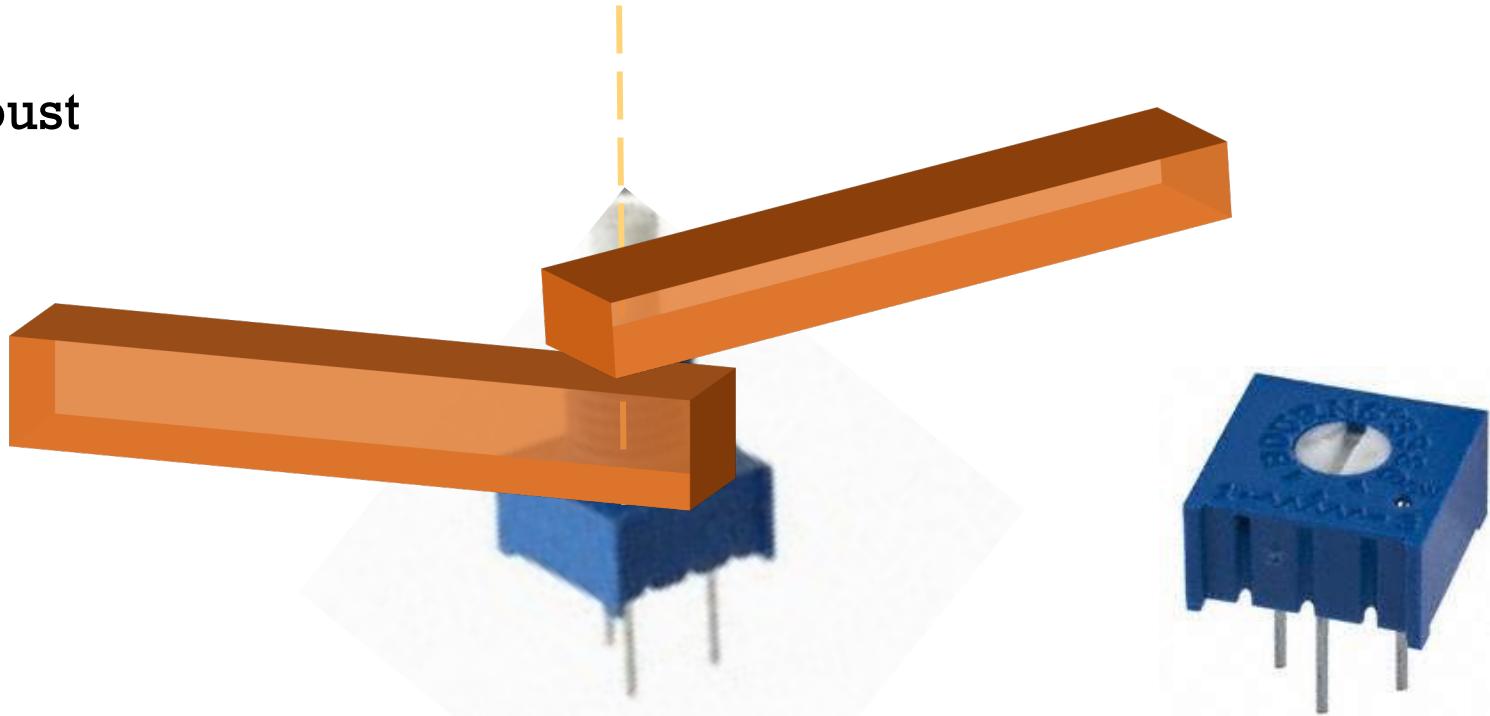
```
int movingavg(int newvalue, int WEIGHT){  
    static int lastvalue;  
    lastvalue = (WEIGHT*lastvalue + newvalue)/(WEIGHT+1);  
    return lastvalue;  
}
```

04

Rotational Position Sensors (options for LAB 3)

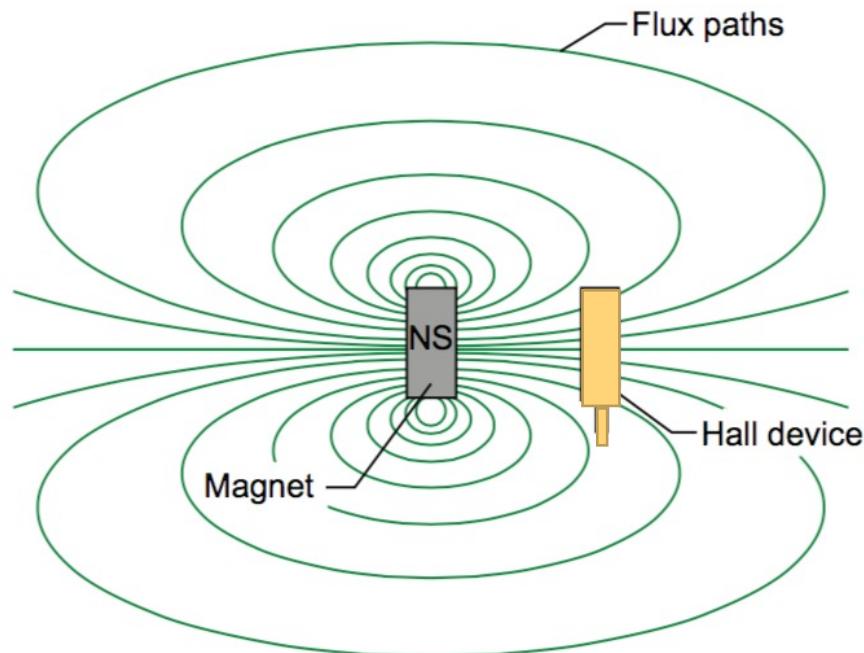
Potentiometer example

- Use potentiometer as voltage divider into an ADC
- Simple
- Not robust



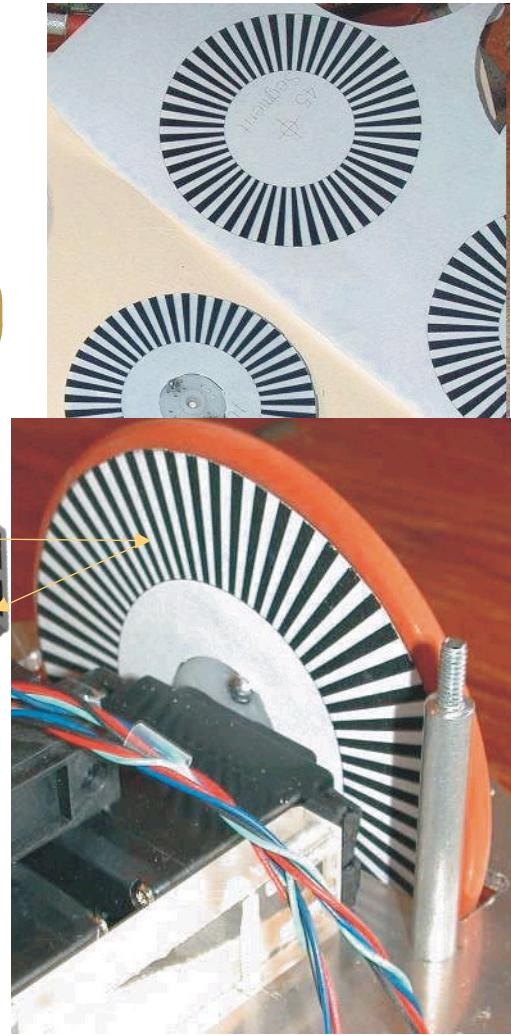
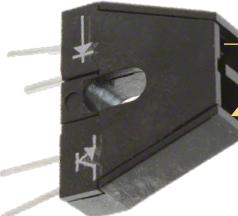
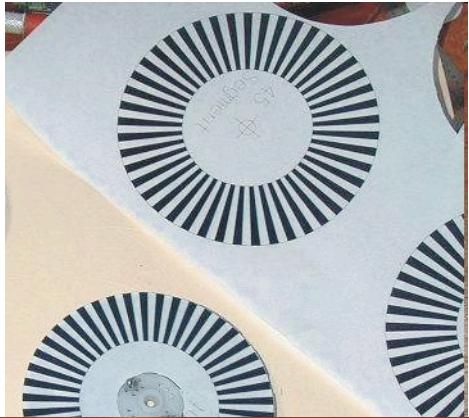
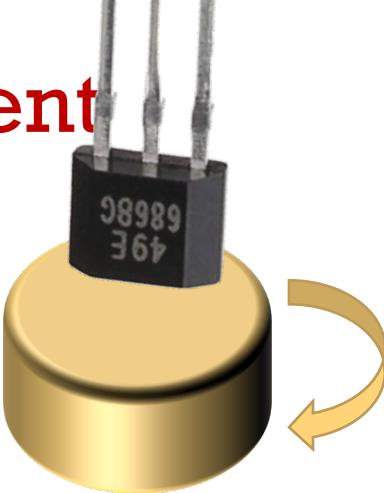
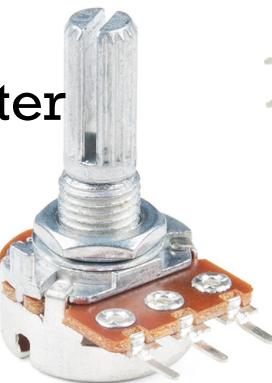
Hall Effect Sensor

- Voltage proportional to applied magnetic field
- If the magnet rotates, the field will change correspondingly (non-linear, somewhat sinusoidal).

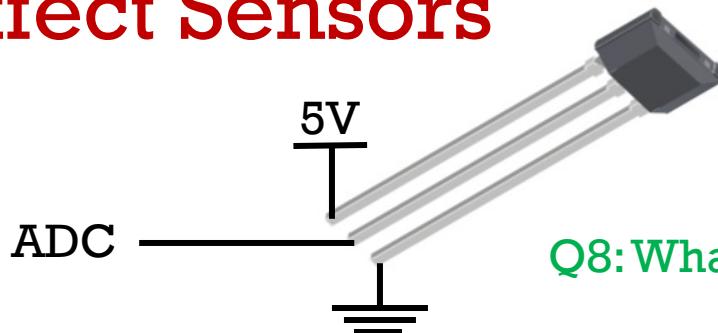


DIY Rotary Measurement

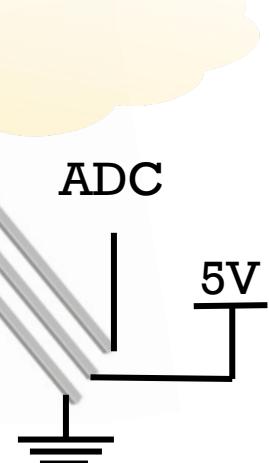
- Hall effect sensor (use ADC)
 - Absolute with ambiguity
 - Can't tell direction
 - Good for velocity sensing
- Make optical encoder disk
 - Need to be careful about ambient light
- Full rotation - hack potentiometer
 - Break limit stops
 - Deal with gap in wiper



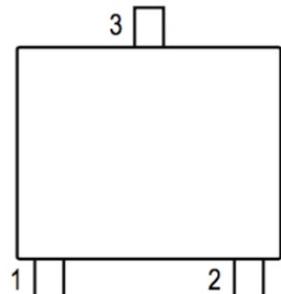
Hall Effect Sensors



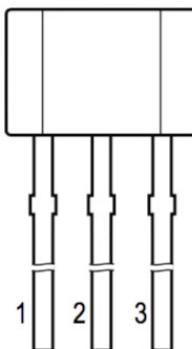
Q8: What's wrong with this?



Pin-out Diagrams



LH Package



UA Package

Terminal List Table

Name	Number		Function
	LH	UA	
VCC	1	1	Input power supply; tie to GND with bypass capacitor
VOUT	2	3	Output signal; also used for programming
GND	3	2	Ground

Summary

- ADCs setup with registers and are slow.
- Teensy ADC has 10 bit resolution
- ADC sensitivity can change by changing Vref
- Simple software filters can act as high pass or low pass filters but add a delay
- Potentiometers make easy angle sensors if you can mount to them

Answer in CHAT

Answer how you feel about each topic below with:

1. I don't understand this topic at all
2. I don't know now, but know what to do to get by
3. I understand some, but expect to get the rest later
4. I understand completely already

- A. Software filters
- B. ADC on Teensy
- C. Lab 2 material