Measurement systems

Problem set 8

Exercise 1 (Resolution)

a) The resolution R of the A/D converter, with N_1 bits and a full scale FS_1 is:

$$R = \frac{FS_1}{2^{N_1}} = 977 \ \mu V$$

b) We calculate the resolutions R_2 and R_3 of the A/D converters:

$$R_2 = \frac{FS_2}{2^{N_2}} = 19.53 \ mV \qquad \qquad R_3 = \frac{FS_3}{2^{N_3}} = 2.4 \ mV$$

We find a reduction λ between resolutions R_2 and R_3 :

$$\lambda = \frac{R_2}{R_3} = \frac{FS_2}{FS_3} \cdot 2^{N_3 - N_2} = 8$$

Exercise 2 (Binary code and sample-and-hold circuit)

a) The binary code b is converted to a decimal value N_{dec} (N = 8) :

$$(b)_{2} = (10101101)_{2} = 1 \cdot 2^{7} + 0 \cdot 2^{6} + 1 \cdot 2^{5} + 0 \cdot 2^{4} + 1 \cdot 2^{3} + 1 \cdot 2^{2} + 0 \cdot 2^{1} + 1 \cdot 2^{0} = (173)_{10} = (N_{dec})_{10}$$

The output voltage is then U_s :

$$U_s = \frac{FS}{2^N} \cdot n = 1.352 V$$

b) The maximum time is ΔT :

$$\Delta T = \frac{N}{f_0} = 16 \ \mu s$$

c)
$$f = \frac{f_0}{\pi \cdot 2^{N+1} \cdot N} = 38.85 \ Hz$$

 \rightarrow The use of a sample-and-hold circuit is necessary as the bandwidth of the signal is greater than f.

Exercise 3 (Accelerometer and A/D converter)

a) The maximum quantization error ε_{max} on the measured quantity is :

$$\varepsilon_{max} = \frac{1}{S} \cdot \frac{FS}{2^{N+1}} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} g$$

b) First, we find the output voltage U_s as a function of N_{dec} and then we obtain $a_N = f(N_dec)$:

$$U_{s} = \frac{FS}{2^{N}} \cdot N_{dec} - U_{0} \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad a_{N} = \frac{U_{s}}{S} = \frac{1}{S} \cdot \frac{FS}{2^{N}} \cdot N_{dec} - \frac{U_{0}}{S}$$

c) The acceleration a_N for $N_{dec} = 3658$ is:

$$a_N = 3.9307 \pm 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} g$$