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Support for the ADS1x15 series of analog-to-digital converters. Available in 12-bit (ADS1015) and 16-bit (ADS1115) versions.

CHAPTER 1

Installation & Dependencies

This driver depends on:

- Adafruit CircuitPython
- Bus Device

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This can be most easily achieved by downloading and installing [the Adafruit library and driver bundle](#) on your device.

1.1 Installing from PyPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally [from PyPI](#). To install for current user:

```
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ads1x15
```

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ads1x15
```

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

```
mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ads1x15
```


CHAPTER 2

Usage Example

2.1 Single Ended

```
import time
import board
import busio
import adafruit_ads1x15.ads1015 as ADS
from adafruit_ads1x15.analog_in import AnalogIn

# Create the I2C bus
i2c = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)

# Create the ADC object using the I2C bus
ads = ADS.ADS1015(i2c)

# Create single-ended input on channel 0
chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0)

# Create differential input between channel 0 and 1
#chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0, ADS.P1)

print("{:>5}\t{:>5}".format('raw', 'v'))

while True:
    print("{:>5}\t{:>5.3f}".format(chan.value, chan.voltage))
    time.sleep(0.5)
```


CHAPTER 3

Contributing

Contributions are welcome! Please read our [Code of Conduct](#) before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

CHAPTER 4

Building locally

To build this library locally you'll need to install the `circuitpython-build-tools` package.

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install circuitpython-build-tools
```

Once installed, make sure you are in the virtual environment:

```
source .env/bin/activate
```

Then run the build:

```
circuitpython-build-bundles --filename_prefix adafruit-circuitpython-ads1x15 --
˓→library_location .
```

4.1 Sphinx documentation

Sphinx is used to build the documentation based on rST files and comments in the code. First, install dependencies (feel free to reuse the virtual environment from above):

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install Sphinx sphinx-rtd-theme
```

Now, once you have the virtual environment activated:

```
cd docs
sphinx-build -E -W -b html . _build/html
```

This will output the documentation to `docs/_build/html`. Open the `index.html` in your browser to view them. It will also (due to `-W`) error out on any warning like Travis will. This is a good way to locally verify it will pass.

CHAPTER 5

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5.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/ads1015_simpletest.py

```
1 import time
2 import board
3 import busio
4 import adafruit_ads1x15.ads1015 as ADS
5 from adafruit_ads1x15.analog_in import AnalogIn
6
7 # Create the I2C bus
8 i2c = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)
9
10 # Create the ADC object using the I2C bus
11 ads = ADS.ADS1015(i2c)
12
13 # Create single-ended input on channel 0
14 chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0)
15
16 # Create differential input between channel 0 and 1
17 #chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0, ADS.P1)
18
19 print("{:>5}\t{:>5}".format('raw', 'v'))
20
21 while True:
22     print("{:>5}\t{:>5.3f}".format(chan.value, chan.voltage))
23     time.sleep(0.5)
```

Listing 2: examples/ads1115_simpletest.py

```

1 import time
2 import board
3 import busio
4 import adafruit_ads1x15.ads1115 as ADS
5 from adafruit_ads1x15.analog_in import AnalogIn
6
7 # Create the I2C bus
8 i2c = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)
9
10 # Create the ADC object using the I2C bus
11 ads = ADS.ADS1115(i2c)
12
13 # Create single-ended input on channel 0
14 chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0)
15
16 # Create differential input between channel 0 and 1
17 #chan = AnalogIn(ads, ADS.P0, ADS.P1)
18
19 print(":{:>5}\t{:>5}".format('raw', 'v'))
20
21 while True:
22     print(":{:>5}\t{:>5.3f}".format(chan.value, chan.voltage))
23     time.sleep(0.5)

```

5.2 ads1x15

CircuitPython base class driver for ADS1015/1115 ADCs.

- Author(s): Carter Nelson

```
class adafruit_ads1x15.ads1x15.ADS1x15(i2c, gain=1, data_rate=None, mode=256, address=72)
```

Base functionality for ADS1x15 analog to digital converters.

data_rate

The data rate for ADC conversion in samples per second.

gain

The ADC gain.

gains

Possible gain settings.

get_last_result()

Read the last conversion result when in continuous conversion mode. Will return a signed integer value.

mode

The ADC conversion mode.

rate_config

Rate configuration masks.

rates

Possible data rate settings.

```
read(pin, is_differential=False)
    I2C Interface for ADS1x15-based ADCs reads.

params:
    param pin individual or differential pin.
    param bool is_differential single-ended or differential read.
```

```
class adafruit_ads1x15.ads1x15.Mode
    An enum-like class representing possible ADC operating modes.
```

5.3 ads1015

CircuitPython driver for ADS1015 ADCs.

- Author(s): Carter Nelson

```
class adafruit_ads1x15.ads1015.ADS1015(i2c, gain=1, data_rate=None, mode=256, address=72)
```

Class for the ADS1015 12 bit ADC.

bits

The ADC bit resolution.

rate_config

Rate configuration masks.

rates

Possible data rate settings.

5.4 ads1115

CircuitPython driver for 1115 ADCs.

- Author(s): Carter Nelson

```
class adafruit_ads1x15.ads1115.ADS1115(i2c, gain=1, data_rate=None, mode=256, address=72)
```

Class for the ADS1115 16 bit ADC.

bits

The ADC bit resolution.

rate_config

Rate configuration masks.

rates

Possible data rate settings.

5.5 analog_in

AnalogIn for single-ended and differential ADC readings.

- Author(s): Carter Nelson, adapted from MCP3xxx original by Brent Rubell

```
class adafruit_ads1x15.analog_in.AnalogIn(ads, positive_pin, negative_pin=None)
```

AnalogIn Mock Implementation for ADC Reads.

value

Returns the value of an ADC pin as an integer.

voltage

Returns the voltage from the ADC pin as a floating point value.

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