

Application Note

RZ/G Series

Current Measurement Program

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1. Introduction

This document presents the usage of "Current Measurement Program" for RZ/G series.

This "Current Measurement Program" measures the current, plots the graph and saves data.

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2. Block Diagram

Fig. 2-1 shows the block diagram of this system. In detail, please check the schematic of RZ/G3S EVK.

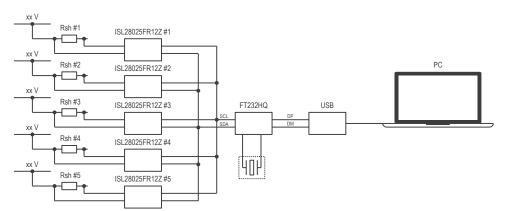


Fig. 2-1: Block Diagram

3. Specifications

3.1 Function Block Diagram

Fig. 3-1 shows the function block diagram.

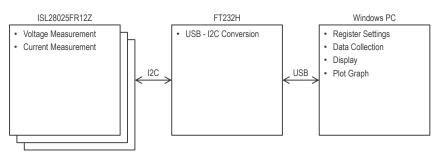


Fig. 3-1: Function Block Diagram

3.2 Operating Environment

Microsoft Windows 10 PC is required.

4. Preparation

4.1 Install

Just place 2 files in any folder on PC.

- CurrentMeasurementAppFor5ch.exe
- CurrentMeasurementAppFor5ch.ini

4.2 Connection

Connect cables like below:

- USB PD cable from AC adapter to "USB-C_PWR_IN" on carrier board of EVK.
- micro-USB from PC to "SER3_UART" on carrier board of EVK. (for serial console)
- micro-USB from PC to USB on main board of EVK. (for this program)

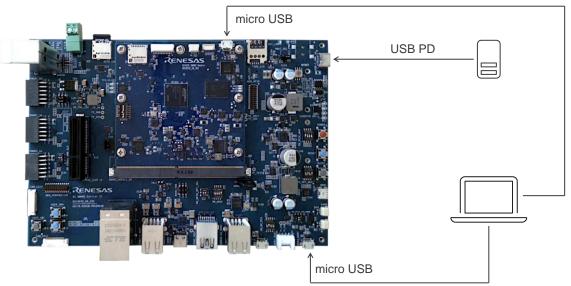


Fig. 4-1: Connection

5. Operation

5.1 Execute

• Double click the executable file "CurrentMeasurementAppFor5ch.exe".

The application runs and displays as shown in Fig. 5-1 Screen.

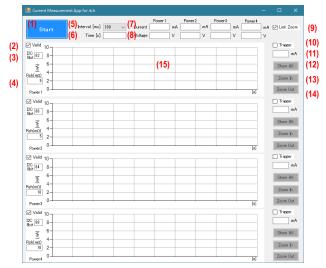


Fig. 5-1: Screen

5.2 Descriptions of Screen

- (1) Start / Stop Button
 - Click "Start" to start measurement. This button will become "Stop" during measuring. Click "Stop" to stop measurement.
- (2) Enable Check Box
 - If unchecked, the graph and measurement will be disabled. It cannot be changed during measurement.
- (3) ID of ISL28025FR12Z
 - Input the I2C ID of ISL28025FR12Z. (Required)
- (4) Value of Shunt Resistance
 - Input the value of shunt resistance [Ohm]. (Required)
- (5) Measurement Interval
 - Select the measurement interval from the drop-down list. Selectable from 100 [ms], 50 [ms], 30 [ms], and 10 [ms]. It cannot be changed during measurement.
- (6) Measurement Time Display Area
 - Display the measurement time [s].
- (7) Current Display Area
 - Display the current value [mA].
 - The minimum measurement value is 1.25 [mA].
- (8) Voltage Display Area
 - Display the voltage value [V].
 - The minimum measurement value is 0.00125 [V], but this minimum unit is 0.01 [V].
- (9) Graph Synchronization
 - If checked, the program will synchronize operations (zooming in/out, scrolling...) across all graphs.
- (10) Trigger Check Box

- Check this box to enable the trigger function. Uncheck it to disable it. It can be changed during measurement.
- When enabled, a red marker will be placed on the graph where the measurement value is greater than or equal to the trigger value.
- When measurement is stopped, the check is automatically removed. If there is no value in "Trigger Current Value", you cannot check it.

(11) Trigger Current Value

- Enter the current value [mA] you want to trigger. It can be changed during measurement. If you change the value, "Trigger Check Box" will be automatically unchecked.
- Only integers can be entered.

(12) Display All Button

 Click to display the entire time range of the graph (from 0 to stopped time). It cannot be used during measurement.

(13) Zoom in Button

Click to zoom in the time range of the graph. It cannot be used during measurement.

(14) Zoom out Button

Click to zoom out the time range of the graph. It cannot be used during measurement.

(15) Plot Area

Displays a line plot of current value [mA].

5.3 Start Measurement

- 1. Set "Time Interval".
- 2. Set "Trigger Current Value" and check "Trigger Check Box". (Optional)
- 3. Set "Enable Check Box". (Optional)
- 4. Click "Start / Stop Button".
 - Areas that cannot be used during measurement are grayed out during measurement.

After clicking the "Start / Stop Button", if the evaluation board is not powered on or the USB cable is not connected, the pop-up will be displayed. After checking, click "OK" and then click the "Start / Stop Button" again.

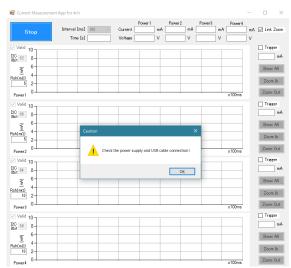


Fig. 5-2: Caution Pop-up Message

5.4 Set Trigger

- 1. The trigger value can be changed during measurement.
- 2. When you change the value, it will be automatically unchecked and disabled, so if you want to enable it, please check it again.

Information

When measurement error occurred, the current and voltage value display will be "NaN" and the graph display for the corresponding time will be blank.

5.5 Stop Measurement

- 1. Click the "Start / Stop Button" to stop measurement.
- 2. When stopped, the time range of the graph becomes all range (from 0 to stopped time). The "Display All Button", "Zoom in Button" and "Zoom out Button" turn blue and become usable.

5.6 Shutdown Program

- 1. When you click the "x" button at the top right, then an exit window will pop up.
- 2. Click "Yes" to exit.

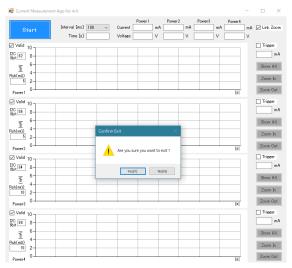


Fig. 5-3: Exit Pop-up Message

6. Log File

The measurement results are saved in CSV format.

6.1 Folder

The log file will be automatically generated in the same folder as the executable file
 CurrentMeasurementAppFor5ch.exe.

6.2 File Name

The log file is saved as "currentlog_YYMMDD_HHMMSS.csv".

6.3 File Format

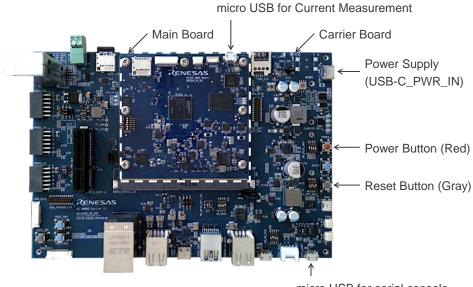
Table 6-1 shows the log file format. Power supplies for which measurement has been disabled are displayed as "-".

Table 6-1: File Format

Column No.	Descriptions			
1	Measurement Time [s]			
2	Current Value of Power Line #1 [mA]			
3	Voltage Value of Power Line #1 [V]			
4	Current Value of Power Line #2 [mA]			
5	Voltage Value of Power Line #2 [V]			
6	Current Value of Power Line #3 [mA]			
7	Voltage Value of Power Line #3 [V]			
8	Current Value of Power Line #4 [mA]			
9	Voltage Value of Power Line #4 [V]			
10	Current Value of Power Line #5 [mA]			
11	Voltage Value of Power Line #5 [V]			

7. Example

This section shows an example to measure current of S2R (suspend to RAM) of RZ/G3S EVK.



micro USB for serial console

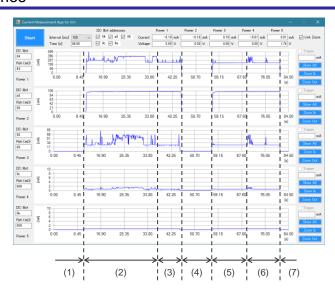
Fig. 7-1: RZ/G3S EVK

- 1. Power off and connect USB lines.
 - See section 4.2.
- 2. Push the power button to boot Linux and login as root.
- 3. Wait for seconds.
- 4. Enter S2R.
 - Enter commands below.

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# echo deep > /sys/power/mem_sleep
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- # echo mem > /sys/power/state
- 5. Recover from S2R.
 - Push reset button to recover from S2R.
- 6. Shut down Linux.
- 7. Power off.

Then you can see the plot as shown in Fig. 7-2.



- (1) Power OFF
- (2) Booting Linux
- (3) Do Nothing
- (4) S2R (Suspend to RAM)
- (5) Do Nothing
- (6) Shutting down Linux
- (7) Power OFF

Fig. 7-2: Results of example

Revision History

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