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| Classification | □ tDS □ tGW | | PETL/tET/tPET | | DS/PDS/PPDS | | □ tM-752N | |
| | ☑ I/O Card | | □ VXC Card | | □ VxComm | | □ Other | |
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Q: How to measure current signals from the A/D Channel on board?

A: We recommend the following A/D card to use the Low Gain of Bipolar +/- 2.5 V to measure current through 1250hm resistor.

| Model | Gain | Bipolar |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| PCI-1002LU, PEX-1002L | 4 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PCI-1202LU, PEX-1202L | 2 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PCI-1602U, PCI-1602F, PCI-1602FU | 4 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PCI-1802LU, PCI-1800LU | 2 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PCI-822LU, PCI-826LU | 4 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PIO-821LU | 2 | +/- 2.5 V |
| PISO-813U | 2 (JP1=10V) 4 (JP1=20V) | +/- 2.5 V |

Follow the procedure described below:

Step 1: Wire the current signal source (4 ~ 20 mA or 0 ~ 20 mA) to Analog Input channel, and wire the signals as follows:

Connect the <u>A/D CHn</u> **to** <u>signal positive (+)</u> (Note: CHn = Channel Number) **Connect the** <u>AGND **to** signal negative (-)</u>

Step 2: Add a shunt resistor (e.g. 125 Ω, 0.1% DIP Resistors) between <u>A/D CHn</u> and <u>AGND</u>.



Example: A 20 mA source current through a 125 Ω resistor between + and – terminals and the board will read a 2.5 V_{DC} voltage. You can use the **I** = **V/R** (Ohm's law) to calculate what value the source current should have.

Current (I) = Voltage (V) / Resistance (R) = 2.5 V / 125Ω = 0.02 A = 20 mA