SOT26-001 Time-of-Flight Sensor

Datasheet



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Distance measurement for camera autofocus

supporting

low-power

1. General description

The SOT26-001 is a highly integrated, compact single-point direct Time-of-Flight (dToF) sensor module which integrates a VCSEL emitter, a single photon avalanche diode (SPAD) sensor, microlens, Time Digital Converter (TDC) and MCU. This sensor uses dTOF technology, built-in sunlight suppression and anti-cover dirt algorithm, the measurement accuracy is not affected by reflectivity of the target object in different environments, and can achieve accurate ranging of up to 4m.

The sensor supports Firmware updates through the IIC, can be customized according to customer's requirements model and algorithm. The sensor is designed with eye safety control circuit, which meets the requirements of Class I eye safety standard.

Applications

Proximity detection

Collisions avoidance

system operation

1D gesture recognition

detection

(LDAF)

Object

Features

- Fully integrated SIP module Transmit and receive integration Package: Optical LGA Size: 4.4×2.4×1.0 mm
- Distance measurement Range: up to 5 m Ranging rate: up to 50 Hz Measurement accuracy: ±3%
- Optics
 Class 1 laser device
 940 nm VCSEL emitter
- Characteristics
 - Direct time-of-flight measurement
 - On-chip histogram based algorithm
 - Eliminate crosstalk
 - Support multiple cover glass
 - Cover glass calibration
 - Dynamic compensation for smudge on glass
- Interface and work environment
 - IIC interface
 - Extremely low power consumption in sleep mode
 - Operation Temperature: -20~70℃
 - Good temperature stability
 - Compliant with ROHS and REACH regulations

1.1 Technical specifications

Parameter	Value	
Range	2 cm ~ 5 m	
Measurement accuracy	\pm 3% @ indoors	
FOI (Field of illumination)	22 deg	
FOV (Field of View)	25°	
Wavelength	940 nm	
Size	4.4 mm × 2.4 mm × 1.0 mm	
Ranging rate	Up to 50 Hz	
Operating voltage	3.3 V	
	0.9 mA @1 Hz,	
Operating current	17 mA @30 Hz	
Standby Power Consumption	<10µA @ HW STANDBY	
Number of interface	OLGA 12	
Interface type	IIC, Slave address: (0x41)	
Operating temperature	-20 ℃ ~70℃	
Storage temperature	-40~85°C	
Laser eye safety LASER CLASS 1 (IEC 60825-1: 2		

Table 1: Technical specifications

1.2 System block diagram



Figure 1: System block diagram

1.3 Pin definition



Figure 2: Pin out diagram (bottom view)

Table 2:	Pin c	definition	

Pin No.	Pin name	Signal type	Description	
1	AVDDVCSEL	Supply	3.2 V ~ 3.6 V DC	
2	AVSSVCSEL	Ground	To be connected to ground	
3	GND	Ground	To be connected to ground	
4	GND2	Ground	To be connected to ground	
5	XSHUT	Digital input	Hardware reset pin, active low	
6	GND3	Ground	To be connected to ground	
7	GPIO1	Digital input/output	Default output low, floating when not in use	
8	DNC	-	Leave this pin floating	
9	SDA	Digital input/output	I ² C serial data	
10	SCL	Digital input	I ² C serial clock input	
11	AVDD	Supply	3.2 V ~ 3.6 V DC	
12	GND4	Ground	To be connected to ground	

2. Electrical characteristics

2.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Parameter		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
AVDD,AVDDVCSEL	Supply (3.3V)	-0.5	-	3.63	V
GND,GND2,GND3,GND4	Connected to ground	0	-	0	V
	Digital input/output (1.8V Mode)	-0.5	-	1.98	V
73001,30A,30L,9P101	Digital input/output (3.3V Mode)	-0.5	-	3.63	V

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2.2 Recommended operating conditions

Table 4: Recommended operating conditions

Parameter		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
AVDD,AVDDVCSEL	Voltage (3.3V)	2.97	3.3	3.63	V
Temperature	Normal operating	-20	25	70	°C

2.3 ESD performance

Table 5: ESD performance

Parameter		Conditions	Specification
I _{SCR}	Latch up immunity	+/- 100mA	JEDEC78E
V _{ESD,HBM}	ESD HBM Model	+/- 2000V	JS-001-2017
Vesd,cdm	ESD CDM Model	+/- 500V	JS-002-2018

2.4 Current consumption

Table 6: Consumption at ambient temperature

Parameter			Тур.	Max.	Unit
HW STANDBY	Close Xshut	-	-	10	μA
SW STANDBY	Open Xshut	-	-	20	μA
Average Power Consumption	@ 30Hz, Including VCSEL	-	-	56.1	mW

3. Typical ranging characteristics

3.1 Ranging Time

The ranging time is directly related to the number of times VCSEL light pulses and the maximum test distance. The farther the test distance, the more light pulses required and the longer the ranging time.

3.2 Ranging characteristics

The following ranging performance is measured under conditions such as glass transmittance of 90%, the Air-Gap is 0.36mm, and without backlight.







Figure 4 Accuracy in ambient light
Table 7 Range and Accuracy

Test Conditions		Max ranging distance	Accuracy	Precision		
	M/hite terret (000/)	Fm	\pm 15mm @20~300mm	45mm		
Indoor	white target (90%)	mc	±3% @>300mm	<12000		
(0klux)	Crow torget (199/)	4.2m	\pm 12mm @20~300mm	-1Emm		
	Grey larget (10%)	4.311	\pm 3% @>300mm	< 1011111		
	M/hite terret (000/)	1.9m	\pm 20mm @20~300mm	12mm +1%		
Outdoor	white target (90%)	1.011	±4% @>300mm			
(15klux)	Creviterent (199/)	1.0m	\pm 15mm @20~300mm	12mm +1%		
	Grey larget (16%)	1.311	±4% @>300mm			

4. Functional description

4.1 Firmware state machine description



Figure 5 Firmware state machine

4.2 Ranging offset calibration

Offset calibration should be performed at factory for optimal performances (recommended at 50 cm). The offset calibration should take into account:

- Supply voltage and temperature
- Protective cover glass above SOT26-001

4.3 Ranging operating modes

There are 3 ranging modes available in this module:

1. Single ranging

Ranging is performed only once. System returns to SW standby automatically.

2. Timing mode

HOST can customize the measurement interval. When the timing measurement is initiated, the sensor generates a distance measurement interruption at corresponding intervals. If the HOST needs the sensor to enter SW standby, it needs to send a stop command. If the stop request comes during a range measurement, the measurement is completed before stopping and system returns to SW standby. If it happens during an inter-measurement period, the range measurement stops immediately.

3. Continuous ranging

HOST specifies the number of frames to measure. After the ranging is complete, system returns to SW standby automatically.

4.4 Getting the data: interrupt or polling

User can get the final data using a polling or an interrupt mechanism.

Polling mode: The user drives the interrupt flag bits of the interrupt register (0xE1). When the interrupt flag bit is set to 1, the measurement result can be read and the interrupt flag bit written to 1 to clear the interrupt.

Interrupt mode: The interrupt pin (GPIO1) defaults to high. When the ranging result is updated, the interrupt pin is pulled low, resulting in a falling edge. HOST needs to write 1 to the interrupt flag bit to clear the interrupt, and the interrupt pin is reset high.

4.5 Power sequence

Option 1: XSHUT pin connected and controlled from host. After XSHUT is enabled, the IC module can accept the boot configuration from the HOST. After the configuration is complete, the BootLoader phase will be entered, after which the firmware (FW) upload and register initialization will be performed. The sensor enters software standby and waits for the HOST to send instructions.

Option 2: When the ranging command is received, the ranging work is entered. When a frame of testing completes, an interrupt is generated (GPO1). After HOST detects an interrupt, it accesses the result register through IIC, and the interrupt must be cleared manually after the read is completed.



Figure 6 Power up and boot sequence

4.6 MCU Parameters

SOT26-001 contains an ARM-Cortex M0 MCU. The relevant parameters are shown in the table.

Parameter N		Тур.	Max.	Unit	Remark			
µP Operating frequency	-	5	80	MHz	MCU can operate using an oscillator or PLL clock.			
PLL frequency	-	80		MHz	Corresponding to a 5MHz oscillator clock			

Table 8:	MCU	Parameters
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4.7 I2C Control interface

4.7.1 IIC Overview

The IIC interface is used to transfer information between SOT26-001 and other chips. IIC is short for Inter-IC, also known as I²C, a simple bidirectional two-wire bus developed by Philips for effective interconnect control between ICs. It includes a bidirectional data line SDA and a clock line SCL. As shown in the figure, multiple master devices and multiple slave devices' SDA and SCL can be connected separately, and each device can be distinguished by its unique address. SOT26-001 is an IIC slave device that receives and processes read and write requests sent by the master.



Figure 7 Power-on startup timing

The device address of SOT26-001 is 0x41 (when adding 1 bit read/write to form 8-bit, the byte data is 0x82), and the highest supported transmission speed is 1Mbits/s.

4.7.2 IIC Transmission Protocol

IIC is a master-slave serial transmission protocol, where signal transmission is composed of a clock line SCL and a bidirectional data line SDA. All transmission operations are initiated by the master, and the slave executes read and write operations according to the timing sequence composed of SCL and SDA. The timing protocol consists of four parts: start signal, bit transmission, ACK confirmation bit, and end signal. The bit transmission can be the transmission of slave address and read/write identification, register address transmission, or read/write data bit transmission, all of which are serial transmissions.

Start and End Signals



Figure 8 start and end signals.

When SDA signal switches from high to low while SCL is at a high level, it is the START start signal; when SDA signal switches from low to high, it is the STOP termination signal.

Bit Transmission and ACK Confirmation Bit



Figure 9 the bit transmission and ACK confirmation bit.

The timing sequence for bit transmission and ACK transmission is the same. Data can only be updated when SCL is at a low level, and data remains unchanged when SCL is at a high level.

4.7.3 IIC Write process

1) When the bus is in the "idle state" (both SDA and SCL lines are high), the master sends a start bit.

2) The master then sends a 7-bit device address and a 1-bit read/write control bit (R/W=0 for write).

3) The slave sends an acknowledgement signal (ACK=0) back to the master.

4) After receiving the acknowledgement signal from the slave, the master sends the register address

byte of the device.

- 5) The slave sends an acknowledgement signal (ACK) after receiving the register address.
- 6) After receiving the acknowledgement signal, the master sends the first data byte to be written.
- 7) The slave sends an acknowledgement signal (ACK) after receiving the data.
- 8) Repeating steps 6 and 7, multiple data bytes can be sequentially written to multiple registers.

9) The master sends a stop bit to the slave to end the communication and release the bus.

	Sta	art Signals	Subordinate device address (write)	ACK	Subordinate device Register address	ACK	Write data 1	ACK
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Write data 2 ACK	ACK	Write data n	ACK	End Signals
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4.7.4 IIC Read process

1) When the bus is in an "idle state" (both SDA and SCL lines are high), the host sends a start bit.

- 2) The host sends a 7-bit device address and 1-bit read/write control bit R/M (where R/W=0 for write).
- 3) The slave returns an acknowledgement signal.
- 4) The host sends an 8-bit register address.
- 5) The slave returns an acknowledgement signal.
- 6) The host sends another start bit.
- 7) The host sends a 7-bit device address and 1-bit read/write control bit R/W (where R/W=1 for read).
- 8) The slave returns an acknowledgement signal.
- 9) The slave sends data, i.e. the value in the register.
- 10) The host replies with an ACK.
- 11) Steps 9 and 10 can be repeated multiple times, i.e. sequentially reading multiple registers.
- 12) The host sends a stop bit to the slave to end the communication and release the bus.

StartSubordinate deviceSignalsaddress (write)	ACK	Subordinate device Register address	ACK	Start Signals	Subordinate device address (read)	ACK
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Read data 1	ACK		ACK	Read data n	ACK	End Signals
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5. Registers Description

5.1 General Registers

ADDR	BIT	NAME	DEFAULT	ACCESS		Description
					Curr	ently running application
0,00	[7:0]	App ID	የኩስስ	\\/D	0x00	Default
0000			8 100		0x80	Bootloader application
						0xC0
0x01	[7:0]	App major version	8'h00	WR	Ар	plication major revision
0xE0	[7:0]	EN register	8'h80		Enable	e register for analog device
0vE1	0		011.00		0x00 default, no interrupt	
UXEI	[7.0]		01100	VVR	0x03	interrupt for measurement

Table 9: General Registers

5.2 Registers in Bootloader mode

The following hosting features are only available under the APP ID =0x80 (Bootloader).

Table 10: Registers in Bootloader mode

ADDR	BIT	NAME	DEFAULT	ACCESS	Description		
					Write: Bootloader Commands		
0x08	[7:0]	BL Cmd	8'h00	WR	Read: Bootloader Status – anything		
					else than 0x00 means an error		
0x09	[7:0]	BL data size	8'h00	WR	Bootloader Data size in bytes		
0x0A~	[7:0]		8'h00		Up to 1~128 data bytes for		
0x89	[7.0]	DL Gala 1120	ata 1128 8'NUU		128 8 h00 VVR	VV K	bootloader
0,000	[7:0]	abaakaum	0'h00	\\/D	Checksum for Sum(Cmd + Data		
UXOD	[7.0]	CHECKSUM	01100	VVK	Size + Data) XOR 0xFF		

Table 11: Bootloader Commands

Bootloader Cmd	Value	Description
RAM remap	0x11	Remap RAM to address 0
Download Init	0x14	Initialize RAM
Write RAM	0x41	Write RAM Region (Plain = not encoded into e.g. Intel Hex
RAM address	0x43	Set the read/write RAM pointer to a given address

5.3 Registers in APP0 mode

The following hosting features are only available under the APP ID =0xC0 (APP0).

ADDR	BIT	NAME	DEFAULT	ACCESS	Description
					If variation between current temperature
0.07 5.0	[7:0]	Temperature	8'h00	\\/D	and temperature of last calibration is bigg-
0.07	0xC7 [7:0] threshold 8'h00		er than this threshold, calibration will be		
					performed
0xD7~ 0xD8] Global offset 8'h00	8'h00	WR	Global offset is calculated by global offset
					calibration. If offset is negative, the requi-
	[7:0]				red data format is binary complement
					0xD7: 1LSB = 1mm
					0xD8: 1LSB = 256mm

Table 12: Registers in APP0 mode

Table 13: APP0 command

ADDR	App0 Cmd	Value	Description
	Ranging	0x04	Single or continuous measurement
	Standby	0x12	Turn off oscillator and CPU, but RAM is power on
	Reset	0x13	Reset CPU, RAM and IIC registers
	Stop measurement	0xFF	Stop measurement or reading histogram

Register setting for ranging Mode: App0 Cmd = 0x04					
ADDR	BIT	NAME	DEFAULT	ACCESS	Description
					Flag for continuous measurement 0x00:
0x06	[7:0]	Cmd data 9	8'h00	WR	default, single measurement 0x02:
					continuous measurement
0x07		Cmd data 8	8'h00	WR	Repetition period in mSec, If the repetition
	[7:0]				period is set lower than the ranging time
					for this mode, the SOT26-001 runs at
					maximum possible speed
					0x00: default
					0x23: For fps 30Hz on continuous
					measurement
0x08	[7:0]	Cmd data 7	8'h00	WR	Frame count
					0x00: default
					0x20: 32 frame for Fixed frame mode
0x09	[7:0]	Cmd data 6	8'h00	WR	Iterations of self-calibration
					1 LSB = 1 k
0x0A~	[7:0]	Cmd data 5/4	8'h00	WR	Iterations of main-lighting

0x0B					0x0A: 1 LSB = 256 k
					0x0B: 1 LSB = 1 k
0x0C~ 0x0D	[7:0]	Cmd data 3/2	8'h00	WR	Iterations of pre-lighting
					0x0C: 1 LSB = 256 k
					0x0D: 1 LSB = 1 k
0x0E	[7:0]	Cmd data 1	8'h00	WR	High period of single lighting
					1 period = 1 PLL clock
0x0F	[7:0]	Cmd data 0	8'h00	WR	Sum period of single lighting
					1 period = 1 PLL clock

ADDR	BIT	NAME	DEFAULT	ACCESS	Description
0x20	[7:0]	Result Num.	8'h00	WR	Result number, incremented every time
					after measurement
0x21- 22	[7:0]	Distance	8'h00	WR	Distance in [mm] of the object
					0x21: 1LSB = 1mm
					0x22: 1LSB = 256mm
0x23	[7:0]	Confidence	8'h00	WR	Reliability of object
	[7:0]	Sys_tick	8'h00	WR	The sys clock registers[32 bits] is a runn-
					ing timer information – this value is count-
0x24~ 0x27					ing up (and wraps around to 0 again) as
					long as the internal clock is running
					0x24: sys_tick[7:0] 0x25: sys_tick[15:8]
					0x26: sys_tick[23:16] 0x27:
					sys_tick[31:24]
0x28~	[7:0]	[7:0] Algo. State	8'h00	WR	Algorithm state for current result
0x2F	[7.0]				
0x30	[7:0]	Temperature	8'h00	RO	Temperature in chip

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6.1 Module dimensions

The SOT26-001 is a 12 Pin LGA package with plastic lid. Its dimensions are 4.4mm (±0.05 mm) x 2.4mm (±0.05 mm) x 1.00mm (±0.075mm). Tolerance is ±0.05mm unless otherwise specified.



Figure 10: SOT26-001 outline dimension

6.2 **PCB** pad layout



Note:

- All dimensions are in mm unless otherwise specified.



6.3 Application schematic



Figure 12: SOT26-001 schematic

Note:

- The capacitors on the external AVDD should be as close as possible to the AVDDVCSEL and AVSSVCSEL module pins;
- The HOST must always drive XSHUT. If the host status is unknown, you need to pull up. XSHUT requires the use of LW standby mode (no IIC communication).

7. Soldering and storage

7.1 Manufacturing and soldering

It is suggested that the peak reflow temperature is 240°C ~ 260°C and the absolute maximum reflow temperature is 260°C. The recommended reflow soldering thermal profile (lead-free reflow soldering) and related parameters are shown below:





Parameter	Recomm. value	Max. value	Unit
Minimum temperature (Tsmin)	130	150	°C
Maximum temperature (Tsmax)	200	200	°C
Time ts (T _{Smin} to T _{Smax})	90-110	60 - 120	S
Temperature (T∟)	217	217	°C
Time (t∟)	55-65	55 - 65	S
Ramp up	+2	+3	°C/s
Temperature (Tp-10)	-	250	°C
Time (t _{p-10})	-	10	S
Ramp up	-	+3	°C/s
Peak temperature (Tp)	240	260 max.	°C
Time to peak	300	300	S
Ramp down (peak to T∟)	-4	-6	°C/s

Table 14: Recommended thermal profile parameters

Note:

- Temperature mentioned in the table above is measured at the top of the device package.
- The component should be limited to a maximum of 3 passes through this solder profile.

7.2 Storage information

The SOT26-001 is delivered in sealed moisture-barrier bags. It has been assigned a moisture sensitivity level of MSL 3. The following storage conditions must be noted:

Moisture Sensitivity

Optical characteristics of the device can be adversely affected during the soldering process by the release and vaporization of moisture that has been previously absorbed into the package.

To ensure the package contains the smallest amount of absorbed moisture possible, each device is baked prior to being dry packed for shipping. Devices are dry packed in a sealed aluminized envelope called a moisture-barrier bag with silica gel to protect them from ambient moisture during shipping, handling, and storage before use.

Shelf Life

The calculated shelf life of the device in an unopened moisture barrier bag is 12 months from the date code on the bag when stored under the following conditions:

- Shelf Life: 12 months
- Ambient temperature: ≤ 40 °C
- Relative humidity: ≤ 90%

Re-baking of the devices will be required if the devices exceed the 12 months shelf life or the Humidity

Indicator Card shows that the devices were exposed to conditions beyond the allowable moisture region.

Floor Life

The SOT26-001 is rated at MSL 3. As a result, the floor life of devices removed from the moisture barrier bag is 168 hours from the time the bag was opened, provided that the devices are stored under the following conditions:

- Floor Life: 168 hours
- Ambient temperature: $\leq 30^{\circ}$ C
- Relative humidity: $\leq 60\%$

If the floor life or the temperature/humidity conditions have been exceeded, the devices must be rebaked prior to solder reflow or dry packing.

Re-baking Instructions

The re-baking conditions are as follows:

- 125±5 degrees Celsius for 8 hours;
- The product cannot be baked directly in the carrier tape;
- Avoid excessive vibration or impact to prevent serious deformation or damage of packaging material.

8. Package Specifications

8.1 Tape Specifications

Quantity per reel: 4500pcs.











Figure 14: Tape Information (Unit: mm)



Figure 15: Pin Information

8.2 Reel Specification

13" reel will be provided for mass production stage and sample stage more than 1000pcs

13" Reel Specification (Unit: mm)



8.3 The content of Box



8.4 Packing Explain

The Label Content of the Reel



The Label Content of Moisture Caution Moisture Caution: MSL 3



9. Laser eye safety

The SOT26-001 is designed to meet the Class 1 laser safety limits including single faults in compliance with IEC / EN 60825-1:2014. This applies to the stand-alone device and the included software supplied by Goermicro. In an end application system environment, the system may need to be tested to ensure it remains compliant. The system must not include any additional lens to concentrate the laser light or parameters set outside of the recommended operating conditions. Use outside of the recommended condition or any physical modification to the module during development could result in hazardous levels of radiation exposure.



10. Acronyms and abbreviations

Table 15. Actoryins and abbreviations				
Abbr.	Definition			
ESD	Electrostatic discharge			
I ² C	Inter-integrated circuit (serial bus)			
SPAD	Single photon avalanche diode			
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface			
VCSEL	Vertical cavity surface emitting laser			
ToF	Time of Flight			
dToF	Direct Time of Flight			
FoV	Field of view			

Table 15: Acronyms and abbreviations

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