

Datasheet

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CMV50000

47.5MP CMOS Machine Vision Image Sensor

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Content Guide

1 General Description

The CMV50000 is a high speed CMOS image sensor with 7920×6004 effective pixels (47.5Mp) developed for machine vision and video applications. The image array consists of 4.6µm pipelined 8T global shutter pixels which allow exposure during read out, while performing true CDS (Correlated Double Sampling) operation. The image sensor also integrates a programmable analog gain amplifier and offset regulation. The image sensor has 22 digital sub-LVDS data output channels. Each output channel runs up to 830 Mbit/s, which results in a frame rate of 30 fps at full resolution. Higher frame rates can be achieved in row-windowing mode or row-subsampling mode. These modes are all programmable using the SPI interface. All internal exposure and read out timings are generated by a programmable on-chip sequencer. External triggering and exposure programming is also possible. Extended optical dynamic range can be achieved by a dual exposure HDR mode.

1.1 Key Benefits & Features

The benefits and features of CMV50000, 47.5MP CMOS Machine Vision Image Sensor, are listed below:

Figure 1: Added Value of Using CMV50000

1.2 Applications

- **●** Machine vision
- **●** Video/Broadcast
- **●** Security
- **●** High-end inspection
- **●** Aerial mapping
- **●** Document scanning
- **●** ITS
- **●** Scientific
- **●** 3D imaging

1.3 Block Diagram

The functional blocks of this device are shown below:

Figure 2 : Functional Blocks of CMV50000

2 Ordering Information

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3 Pin Assignment

3.1 Pin Diagram

Figure 3 :

Pin Numbering (bottom view)

3.2 Pin Description

Figure 4:

Pin Description of CMV50000

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4 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under "Operating Conditions" is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Figure 5:

Absolute Maximum Ratings of CMV50000

5 Electrical Characteristics

All limits are guaranteed. The parameters with Min and Max values are guaranteed with production tests or SQC (Statistical Quality Control) methods.

Figure 6:

Electrical Characteristics of CMV50000

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(1) VDDARRAY draws high peak currents (>1A) during GLOB. Enough decoupling is needed to suppress these peaks.

(2) Unused sub-LVDS channels must be terminated the same way as the used channels.

6 Typical Operating Characteristics

6.1 Electro-Optical Characteristics

Below are the typical electro-optical specifications of the CMV50000. These are typical values for the whole operating temperature range.

Figure 7:

Electro-Optical Characteristics of CMV50000

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6.2 Spectral Characteristics

Figure 8 :

Quantum Efficiency

Figure 9 : Responsivity (Analog Gain x4)

Figure 10 : Spectral Response

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Figure 13 : Angular Response

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7 Functional Description

7.1 Sensor Architecture

[Figure 2](#page-3-2) shows a high-level representation of the chip architecture for the CMV50000 sensor. The drawing shows the active pixel array and the periphery around it that enables the control and readout of the pixels.

The core of the image sensor is made up from the pixel array, which is driven from two sides by 2 instances of the row logic and drivers. The pixel control signals are created globally by the global drivers and distributed to the sides of the sensor. The pixel data is read out row by row using a data path consisting of an analog front-end (AFE), analog-to-digital converter (ADC) and a digital data postprocessing (DPP) block.

The converted data is sent, pixel by pixel, to a set of sub-LVDS drivers. An additional control (CTR) channel provides synchronization information about the data on the data channels, while a specific CLK channel can be used to sample the data channels.

The data path is organized in kernels of 360 columns. Between kernels, control signals are repeated. There is one sub-LVDS driver for every kernel. At the left and right side of the pixel array, an additional kernel of OB pixels is added.

An on-chip sequencer controls the sensor operation and contains a register bank that is programmable over an SPI interface. There is also an on-chip temperature sensor available. A lowfrequency CMOS input clock is transformed using an on-chip PLL to a set of high-frequency signals used in the sensor.

7.1.1 Pixel Array

[Figure 14](#page-19-0) shows the complete pixel array.

The pixel array can be split up in 3 parts: Optical black (OB) pixels (left and right side), buffer pixels (around effective array perimeter) and effective pixels. Only the 68 effective OB pixels are used for internal row clamping, which improves row noise and allows setting a pre-defined black level. The buffer pixels form a guard ring around the effective pixels. The buffer pixels are optically active, but are not guaranteed to meet the optical specifications. The 98 OB and 22 buffer pixels are read out via the sub-LVDS OB-L/R outputs.

The full resolution of the pixel array is 8160×6048 pixels. This results in an effective resolution of 7920 × 6004 pixels or 47.5Mpixels. The effective array is 36.4mm × 27.6mm which is slightly larger than the 35mm full frame optical format $(= 36$ mm $\times 24$ mm; which would correspond to a window of 7826 × 5217).

Because of the large sensor area, a wafer process called mask stitching is done. The vertical stitch line is located exactly in the middle of the array. Therefor a small offset between the pixels left and right of the stitch line might be present.

Micro-lenses are placed on the pixels for improved quantum efficiency and fill factor.

7.1.2 Analog Front End

The analog front end consists of the PGA (programmable gain amplifier) and circuitry to prepare the signal for ADC conversion

7.1.3 ADC

The column ADC converts the analog pixel value to a 12-bit value.

7.1.4 DPP

The DPP blocks perform digital operations on the visible pixel data: digital offset, digital gain, row noise correction.

7.1.5 Sub-LVDS Outputs

The sensor has 22 sub-LVDS data channels to output the processed data. Each data channel outputs the data of 360 columns. Readout modes using less parallel channels at reduced framerate are supported as well.

7.1.6 Sequencer

The on-chip sequencer will generate all required control signals to operate the sensor from only a few external control clocks. This sequencer can be activated and programmed through the SPI interface.

- Among the different features that the sequencer has implemented are the following:
- **•** SPI protocol and register banks management.
- Exposure and frame timing generation based on external inputs or internal settings.
- Dual exposure HDR mode.
- **●** Y-windowing, subsampling and binning

7.1.7 SPI Interface

The SPI interface is used to load the sequencer registers with settings to configure the image sensor. Features like windowing, subsampling, gain and offset are programmed using this interface. The settings in the on-chip registers can also be read back for test and debug of the surrounding system.

7.1.8 Temperature Sensor

An on-chip thermal sensor is included. The temperature data is read out through the SPI interface.

7.1.9 PLL

Various clock frequencies are required internally to operate the sensor. These are derived from a single input frequency using an on-chip PLL. Through configuration over SPI, a range of input clock frequencies is supported.

The 3 main internal clocks are CLK_ADC, CLK_SER and CLK_PIX:

- **●** CLK_ADC is the PLL output clock and is equal to the data rate (830MHz for 830Mbit/s).
- **●** CLK_SER is 1:2 of CLK_ADC and equal to the sub-LVDS output clock.
- **●** CLK_PIX is the pixel clock and has a ratio of 1:12 of CLK_ADC.

7.1.10 OTP Memory

A non-volatile, one time programmable memory is included on-chip. This is programmed with unique device ID and temperature sensor calibration data which the user can use.

7.2 Operating the Sensor

This section explains how to connect and power the sensor, as well as basic recipes of how to configure the sensor in a certain operation mode.

7.2.1 Power Supplies

External Power Supplies

To power the sensor, six externally generated supplies are required as listed in [Figure 6.](#page-11-1) A distinction is made between digital supplies (VDD12, VDD12C, VDD18) and analog supplies (VDD27, VDDARRAY, VDD33). Avoid using switching power supplies when possible, especially for the analog supplies.

Sufficient bulk (at the regulators) and local (at the sensor pins) decoupling is needed. In case of multiple pins for the same supply, local decoupling must be foreseen for each pin (e.g. four capacitors for the four VDDARRAY pins). Separate ground planes must be provided to minimize coupling.

For optimal noise performance, it is advised to keep the analog and digital ground nets separated and connect them together as close as possible to the external supply regulators.

Figure 15: Power Supply Decoupling and Grounding Diagram

Biasing (on-chip regulators)

Operating the pixel array requires multiple different biasing supply levels. These supply levels can be generated using on-chip regulators. The chip contains 2 types of regulators, for positive supply levels and negative supply levels. The regulator output voltages are controlled using the SPI interface.

The supply regulators are internally not connected to the actual image sensor. Connections have to be made on PCB level (from a VxxREG pin to a Vyy pin). Also, each supply regulator requires to be

decoupled by a 100µF and 100nF capacitor. The negative supply regulators also require a decoupling of 1µF on a separate output pin (which will settle to -1.2V).

Next figure shows the positive and negative voltage regulator as well as the bias connections.

Figure 16:

For the 100nF and 1µF capacitors, ceramic types can be used. Capacitances of 100µF can be electrolytic types (beware of the polarity on the negative supplies!). The maximal specified ESR and ESL of these 100µF capacitors are 0.1Ω and 10nH respectively.

A resistor network is necessary between VS1H and VS1L (±5% tolerance).

To obtain an accurate current bias reference in the sensor, an external bias resistor of 15kOhm $(\pm 5%)$ must be placed between REF0 and ground. No decoupling is required in parallel with this resistor. A maximal capacitance of 1nF on this node is allowed.

After power-up of the sensor, the recommended register settings will set the correct supply levels for these regulators (see section [7.4\)](#page-56-0). Next table gives an overview of the available supply regulators, the connection to the bias pin and the required voltage on that pin.

Figure 17: Bias Voltages

7.2.2 Power-Up/Down Sequence

To avoid peak currents and guarantee a proper power-up/down of the sensor, following supply order and timing must be applied.

Figure 18: Supply Power-Up and Power-Down Sequences

7.2.3 Startup Sequence

After the supply power-up sequence, the general sequence below must be followed to configure and start operating the sensor. Deviating from the order or timing can lead to the sensor being in an unknown or unstable state.

The sensor hard reset pin, RST_N, must be asserted ('0') during the supply ramp-up to initialize the sensor in the hard reset state. By releasing RST_N ('1'), the sensor moves to soft reset state. CLK_IN can be started during either the hard reset or during soft reset state. During the soft reset state, the recommended SPI uploads must be executed (see section [7.4\)](#page-56-0). One of them enables the PLL. After maximally 200µs, the PLL will lock. After the PLL has locked the sensor can be moved from soft reset state to idle state through a short SPI upload.

In idle state, the sensor waits for an exposure request to begin grabbing, for example with REQ_EXP pin (depending on the configured sensor control mode).

As indicated in the figure, a non-overlap of 1 us must be respected between each sensor state change and the next action.

Figure 19:

Power-Up Sequence (not to scale)

7.2.4 Clocking

The sensor has two CMOS clock inputs: SPI_CLK and CLK_IN. SPI_CLK is part of the SPI interface used to configure the sensor. All other internal sensor clocks are derived from two PLLs running on CLK_IN.

Refer to section [5](#page-11-0) for the electrical specifications of the input clocks and to section [7.1.9](#page-20-0) for the configuration procedure of the PLL.

7.2.5 SPI and Register Access

The sensor operation must be configured by uploading register settings. These static register values control the behavior of the sequencer on the chip, but also of all the analog and mixed-signal blocks. To write and read register settings the SPI interface is used.

The SPI (Serial Peripheral Interface) consists of four wires, as shown in [Figure 21.](#page-27-0) The CMV50000 image sensor always operates as the SPI slave. A single SPI access always consists of:

- **•** Transfer of a control bit from master to slave to specify transfer direction (read or write)
- **●** Transfer of 7-bit register address from master to slave
- **●** Transfer of 8-bit data from master to slave (write operation) or from slave to master (read operation)

Figure 20: SPI Signal Overview

Data is written to the registers of the SPI slave over the SPI_MOSI wire. The data written to the programming registers can also be read out over this same SPI interface, using the SPI_MISO wire. SPI_CSN is an active-low chip select that enables the SPI slave. The details of the timing and data format are described below.

Figure 21: SPI Connection Diagram

When using multiple CMV image sensors, the SPI_CLK and SPI_MOSI can be shared among them. The SPI_CSN operates as a chip select for each of the slaves. The SPI_MISO can also be shared on a bus because it is tri-stated when it is not used. This configuration of one master and multiple slaves is shown in [Figure 22.](#page-28-0)

Figure 22: SPI with 1 Master and 3 Slaves

An SPI access always consists of the transfer of the following bits (in this order), as given in [Figure 23:](#page-28-1)

Figure 23: SPI Bits Transfer Sequence

Via a burst mode, it's possible to write/read multiple consecutive register addresses with a single address upload.

The state of SPI_CLK whenever SPI_CSN is high is ignored, though it is advised to stop the clock to save unnecessary power consumption.

SPI Write

The SPI_MOSI data is sampled by the CMV image sensor on the rising edge of the SPI_CLK. The SPI_CSN signal shall be low for $\frac{1}{2}$ a SPI_CLK period before the first data bit is sampled. SPI_CSN shall remain low for ½ a SPI_CLK period after the last falling edge of SPI_CLK. The first bit transferred is a control bit indicating a write operation ('1'). Both the subsequent address (A<6:0>) and data (D<7:0>) are sent MSB-first.

When writing multiple sequential registers (e.g. 100, 101, 102 ...), the write burst mode can be used. The address is that of the 1st register to be written to and the sequencer will automatically shift to the next register after 8 data bits. SPI_CSN shall stay low the entire time.

The actual register value is updated with the new value on the falling edge of SPI_CLK on every D[0] bit. I.e. SPI_CLK shall go low at the end of D[0] for the write sequence to be completed. The timing of both write modes is illustrated below.

Figure 24: SPI Write Timing

SPI Read

The timing of the SPI read sequence is similar to the SPI write sequence. The main differences are the control bit and the use of SPI_MISO. An SPI read is indicated by setting the control bit to '0'. After the control bit, the address of the register to read shall be transmitted MSB first. At the end of the LSB of the address, the data is launched on the SPI_MISO pin on the falling edge of the SPI_CLK. This means that the data can be sampled by the SPI master on the rising edge of the SPI_CLK. The data D<7:0> is transmitted MSB first on SPI_MISO. When not transmitting data, the SPI_MISO output is in high-Z state.

Sequential SPI register addresses can also be read out in burst mode by keeping SPI_CSN low and clocking out additional bytes. The timing of both read modes is illustrated below.

Figure 25: SPI Read Timing

Register Banks

The sensor's configuration registers are organized in four banks. Each bank contains 127 8-bit registers.

To select a certain register bank, the register at address 0 is used. This register is accessible regardless of the currently selected register bank, of course.

Figure 26: Bank Selection Register

Register Name	Bit Name	Bank	Addr	Pos	Description
BANK_SEL	BANK_SEL	N/A	0	[1:0]	$0:$ Bank 0 1: Bank 1 2: Bank 2 3: Bank 3

The value of BANK_SEL selects which register bank the current SPI access will have an effect on. An example is given below. 'Addr' is the address of the register being written to or read from and 'D' is the data being written.

Figure 27:

Bank Selection Example Sequence

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Register Categories

The registers are grouped into various categories, based on when they may or may not be updated. The category for every individual register can be found in section [8.](#page-99-0) The table below explains the details of the various categories.

Figure 28: Register Categories

Reading from a register is always allowed. When reading registers of category 'SYNC', the last previously uploaded value is read. This is NOT necessarily the same as the active frame-synchronized value.

Figure 29:

Frame Sync

The upload of 'SYNC' type registers can be constrained with the following registers:

If **DISABLE_FRAMESYNC** is set to '1', frame synchronization is disabled. Any uploads will take effect immediately.

Frame synchronization only happens if **PARAM_HOLD** is '0'. When uploading a bunch of SYNC-type registers together (for example, change a number of different YWIN settings), it's advised to set **PARAM_HOLD** to '1' during the entire upload. This prevents a frame from being started with only half of the required updates in case the frame start happened when the entire upload had not completed.

7.2.6 Soft Reset

Figure 30: Soft Reset Register

The sensor has an asynchronous reset input pin (**RST_N**) and an asynchronous reset register (**CMD_RST_SOFT_N**). Both are active-low.

When combined, they have the following function:

- **RST_N:** Reset the entire sensor when low. This is considered a hard reset.
- **CMD_RST_SOFT_N:** Reset the entire sensor, except the SPI interface and register bank when low. This is considered a soft reset.

As long as RST_N is high, all registers retain their value when CMD_RST_SOFT_N is low.

The procedures to assert and release soft reset are described in detail in section [7.4.2.](#page-58-0)

7.2.7 Controlling Exposure and Readout

This section explains the different ways the exposure of a frame can be started and ended. First some important concepts of the frame timing model are explained.

Basic Frame Timing

During operation, the sensor can be in any of the following states:

- **RESET:** asynchronous sensor reset is low, disabling the sensor entirely
- **IDLE:** sensor is not doing anything while waiting for external requests
- **EXPOSURE:** light is being integrated in the pixels
- **GLOB:** closing global shutter by sampling all integrated pixel values
- **READOUT:** reading out the acquired frame plus meta data and mandatory overhead

The sensor always exits a general sensor RESET condition in the IDLE state. This means that the sensor always acts as a slave, responding to external controls.

A distinction can be made between two basic frame timing operations (sequential and pipelined operation), as detailed in the following two sections.

Sequential Operation

In sequential operation, the sensor goes through a sequential succession of EXPOSURE - GLOB - READOUT to grab a single image, as indicated in the figure below. When a cycle like this has been completed, the sensor is again in an IDLE state, waiting for new commands.

Figure 31: State Chart: Sequential Operation

Pipelined Operation

The main property of pipelined operation is that the sensor can be in the EXPOSURE state and READOUT state at the same time. This basically means that the readout of frame N can be busy while

the EXPOSURE state of frame N+1 has already started. The EXPOSURE can fully or partially overlap with a READOUT state.

Figure 32: State Chart: Pipelined Operation

When exiting IDLE state, the first EXPOSURE period starts. Just like in the sequential operation, this flows into a GLOB state, which in its turn starts the READOUT of a frame. Depending on the sensor control or configuration (see [7.2.7](#page-32-0) and [7.2.8](#page-36-0) for details and options), a new EXPOSURE may start when the READOUT is still busy.

At the end of the READOUT period, there are two options:

- **● No new EXPOSURE got started**. The sensor will return to IDLE.
- **● A new EXPOSURE did get started**. The sensor will wait until this new EXPOSURE finishes, before moving back to GLOB, which will always trigger a new READOUT.

Shutter Lag

Figure 33: No Shutter Lag Register

By default, the sensor always has a shutter lag. This effectively means that there is a delay between the start and end of **EXPOSURE state** and the start and end of the **actual exposure** (actual exposure = time where sensor is actually capturing and integrating light). This is illustrated in the figure below.

Figure 34:

State Diagram: Sequential Operation with Shutter Lag

The distinction is important because:

- The EXPOSURE state is the direct response of external control (through sensor I/O requests or register settings),
- Yet it is the actual exposure that really matters to the user

In the remainder of the document, when the concept of exposure or exposure time is mentioned, it will always be about the **EXPOSURE state**, unless stated otherwise. The reader should always bear in mind that the **actual exposure** is delayed in time with respect to this EXPOSURE state due to the shutter lag mechanism.

In [Figure 34](#page-35-0) the shutter lag is shown under sequential operating conditions only, but note however that the shutter lag is present in all operation modes.

The shutter lag is always present at the end of the EXPOSURE period: part of the actual exposure time will always extend into the GLOB state (sometimes called "exposure overlap"). The shutter lag at the beginning of the EXPOSURE periods is introduced artificially to compensate for this exposure overlap.

If the shutter lag at the start of EXPOSURE is not allowed in certain applications, it can be disabled by setting register **NO_SHUTTER_LAG** high. This means that the actual exposure will start together with the start of the EXPOSURE state (practically: "immediately after an exposure request"). The

disadvantage of this is obviously that the length of the actual exposure time is not the same as the length of the EXPOSURE state (the "exposure overlap" needs to be added).

Figure 35:

State Diagram: Sequential Operation, no Shutter Lag at Start

7.2.8 Sensor Control Modes

Figure 36: Control Mode Register

The travel through the state diagrams of [Figure 34](#page-35-0) and [Figure 35](#page-36-0) can be externally controlled with the sensor inputs REQ_EXP and REQ_FRAME and a bunch of register settings (which will be detailed in further sections). This can be done in a number of different modes (each varying slightly in behavior and level of dependency on I/O control versus register configuration).

The control mode is set with the **CTRL_MODE** register, as listed in [Figure 37.](#page-37-0)

Figure 37: Control Modes

Each of these control modes is introduced in one of the following sections.

Control Mode 0: Full External

In the *Full External* control mode, the exposure timing is fully controlled with the sensor input pins:

- **●** A rising edge on **REQ_EXP** moves the sensor to the EXPOSURE state
- **●** A rising edge on **REQ_FRAME** moves the sensor to the GLOB state, which will be automatically followed by READOUT.

The length of the EXPOSURE state will exactly match the time between the rising edges of both triggers.

In the figure below, the state diagrams of sequential and pipelined operation are annotated with the external control events.

Figure 38:

State Diagram: Full External Mode

The length of the GLOB state, as well as the length of the READOUT period depends on a number of register settings.

The state diagram is expanded into a timing diagram for a few situations in the figure below.

Figure 39 : Timing Diagram: Full External Mode

The figure shows how the *Full External* control mode can be used to (from top to bottom):

- **●** Operate the sensor in *Sequential Operation* mode.
- **●** Operate the sensor in *Pipelined Operation* mode, with the parallel exposure extending beyond the readout phase.
- **●** Operate the sensor in *Pipelined Operation* mode, with the parallel exposure ending together with the readout phase (gives maximum frame rate).

Except for the invalid timings listed in [Figure 40,](#page-39-0) the requests on REQ_EXP and REQ_FRAME can be freely placed anywhere by the external controller. This will result in the most flexible external control possible with this sensor (start and end exposure at any possible time, freely vary exposure time from frame to frame, interrupt frames being read to start a new readout…).

Figure 40:

Full External Mode: Invalid Control Timing

The table below lists some special cases that are not part of the table above and are therefore not illegal (though they each do have some consequences)

Figure 41:

Full External Mode: Special Control Timing

The figure below shows an example of the cases listed in [Figure 41.](#page-39-1)

Figure 42 :

Timing Diagram: Special Control Timing in Full External Mode

Control Mode 1: Programmed External

This control mode is quite similar to the *Full External* mode, with the exception that the transition from EXPOSURE to GLOB state is not triggered by a pulse on REQ_FRAME sensor input. Instead the sensor ends the EXPOSURE period and moves to GLOB after a programmable time, set by register upload. This behavior is illustrated in the figure below.

Figure 43 : State Diagram: Programmed External Mode

Expanding this to a timing diagram gives similar timings to the ones shown in [Figure 39](#page-38-0) with REQ_FRAME continuously low.

Since this mode is so similar to the *Full External* mode, also the lists of invalid and special control timing are quite similar.

Figure 44:

Programmed External Mode: Invalid and Special Control Timing

Control Mode 2: Triggered Internal

Both external control modes have in common that every external request results in exactly one sensor response:

- **●** In Full External mode:
	- **●** Each REQ_EXP initiates 1 EXPOSURE period
	- **●** Each REQ_FRAME initiates 1 GLOB period, followed by READOUT
- **●** In Programmed External mode:
	- **●** Each REQ_EXP initiates the complete readout of 1 frame (EXPOSURE, GLOB and READOUT).

This means that in those two modes, the frame rate is fully controlled externally by timing the requests.

In the *Triggered Internal* mode, a single request is followed by a programmable number of frames, at a frame rate also set by register upload.

Figure 45 : State Diagram: Triggered Internal Mode

When exiting IDLE mode, the behavior is identical to Programmed External mode: a rising edge on REQ EXP will initiate the EXPOSURE state, which ends after a register defined exposure time. When the exposure time expires, a GLOB state is started, followed by READOUT.

The behavior during the READOUT phase depends on the number of frames that were requested (also set by register) and the amount of frames that have already been read during the active sequence:

- Last READOUT of requested sequence:
	- **●** Finish active READOUT and move back to IDLE state
- **●** All other READOUT:
	- **●** Restart EXPOSURE for the next frame. EXPOSURE is started at the correct moment to make it finish exactly 'frame time' later than the GLOB period was started.
	- **●** The end of this EXPOSURE will initiate a new GLOB phase.
	- **●** Because a GLOB period immediately follows the EXPOSURE period, there will be exactly 'frame time' delay between two consecutive frames.

An example (with 3 frames requested) is shown in the figure below.

Figure 46 : Timing Diagram: Triggered Internal Mode

In the example, the programmed 'frame time' is longer than the sum of GLOB length and READOUT length. This situation is allowed and provides an easy mechanism to fine-tune frame rate.

In the most extreme case, the programmed frame time exactly matches the minimum length of the GLOB and READOUT phases together. This will start a new GLOB period as soon as the previous READOUT is finished, which results in the maximum frame rate for given GLOB and READOUT settings.

Because this mode is internally controlled based on register settings, there are no invalid control timing conditions. Invalid register settings do exist (for example: frame time shorter than GLOB+READOUT length), but these are specified in the relevant sections describing those registers later in this document.

The table below lists the special timing conditions of this mode.

Figure 47:

Triggered Internal Mode: Special Control Timing

The behavior in case of TI_s1 depends on the relation between (1) the programmed exposure time of the new request and (2) the time remaining to complete the active frame (see last 'Frame time' in [Figure 46\)](#page-44-0).

- If $(1) < (2)$:
	- **●** The start of the new EXPOSURE will be delayed.
	- **●** It will be started at the correct moment so its end will coincide with the end of the active frame.
	- **●** The frame rate will not change: the first GLOB of the new sequence will be exactly 'frame time' after the last GLOB of the active sequence.

- **•** If $(1) > (2)$
	- **●** The new EXPOSURE will start immediately.
	- **●** Because (1) is larger than (2), this EXPOSURE will end after the last frame would have finished.
	- **●** This causes a temporary drop in frame rate.

The figure below shows the following cases (in all cases, the requested sequence is 2 frames long):

Figure 48 :

Timing Diagram: Special Control Timing in Triggered Internal Mode

- (a) Normal timing \rightarrow Capture 2 frames and go back to idle when done
- (b) Tl so \rightarrow New request before last frame is active; extend sequence length to 4
- (c) TI_s1, (1) < (2) \rightarrow New EXPOSURE delayed to guarantee programmed frame rate
- (d) TI_s1, (1) > (2) \rightarrow Temporary frame rate decrease to guarantee complete exposure time

Programmed External vs Triggered Internal

The attentive reader may have noticed that the *Triggered Internal* mode with a sequence length of 1 is quite similar to the *Programmed External* mode. This is mainly true, yet both differ in the way they handle new REQ_EXP requests if the sensor is **not IDLE**.

Figure 49:

Special Control Timing: PE and TI Comparison

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In summary:

- **●** *Triggered Internal* is the more forgiving mode. It adjusts the actual timing and scheduling of events as needed to always yield complete and correct images.
- **●** *Programmed External* mode (and by extend also *Full External* mode) however directly responds to external requests at the cost of possibly corrupting or interrupting images but no missing higher priority exposures.

Control Mode 3: Streaming

Streaming mode is nothing else than *Triggered Internal* mode with an infinite sequence length.

After starting the *Streaming* mode with a rising edge on REQ_EXP, it will keep on generating a continuous stream of frames forever until stopped explicitly (via sensor reset or HALT command; see section [7.2.9\)](#page-47-0). As in Triggered Internal mode, the entire frame configuration is done by register upload.

Next figure shows the state diagram of the *Streaming* mode.

Figure 50: State Diagram: Streaming Mode

Because of the nature of the streaming mode, there is no such thing as invalid or special control timing. Once started, it will be forever looping and all further REQ_EXP and REQ_FRAME pulses are ignored.

7.2.9 Software Commands

Figure 51:

Software Command Registers

The register bits **CMD_REQ_EXP** and **CMD_REQ_FRAME** are equivalent to their sensor input counterparts REQ_EXP and REQ_FRAME. The sensor REQ_EXP and REQ_FRAME inputs can therefore be tied low to use the register uploads for frame timing control. Just like with the sensor inputs, the rising edges of the register bits are considered.

By using the three registers defined above, the sensor can in theory be controlled with just the SPI interface plus 2 timing inputs (RST_N and CLK_IN) at the cost of a slightly reduced timing accuracy (because the registers are loaded via the SPI interface).

The two HALT commands can be used to stop any active sensor operation and return the sensor to the IDLE state, waiting for new requests. The difference between the two is:

- **● CMD_HALT_BLOCK**: When asserted, the active READOUT is finished before moving to IDLE state
- **CMD_HALT_NBLOCK:** when asserted, all operation is immediately stopped and the sensor directly moves to IDLE state.

The HALT commands are a good way to get the sensor out of the *Streaming* control mode without asserting any reset.

7.3 Sensor Readout Format

7.3.1 Sub-LVDS Outputs

The CMV50000 has sub-LVDS (low voltage differential signaling) outputs to transport the image data to the surrounding system. In total, the sensor has 26 sub-LVDS output pairs (2 pins for each sub-LVDS channel):

- **●** 22 Data channels
- **●** 2 OB data channels
- **●** 1 Control channel
- **●** 1 Clock channel

This means that a total of 52 pins of the CMV50000 are used for the sub-LVDS outputs. See the pin list for the exact pin numbers of the sub-LVDS outputs.

The data channels are used to transfer the pixel data from the sensor to the receiver in the surrounding system.

The output clock channel transports a clock, synchronous to the data on the other sub-LVDS channels. This clock should be used at the receiving end to sample the data. This clock is a DDR clock which means that the frequency will be half of the output data rate. When 830 Mbit/s output data rate is used, the sub-LVDS output clock will be 415MHz.

The data on the control channel contains status information on the validity of the data on the data channels. Information on the control channel is grouped in 12-bit words that are transferred synchronous to the data channels.

The figure below shows the data output interface.

Figure 52 : Data Output Interface

Each pair of differential output pins transports data on one sub-LVDS channel.

For easier reading and writing, the channels will be called CTR_OUT, OBL_OUT, DATAx_OUT, OBR_OUT and CLK_OUT in the remainder of the document. The output channels have the following functionality:

Figure 53: Output Channels Functionality

At the output of the sensor, all channels are bit and word aligned with minimal skew. The phase of the sampling clock can be programmed with respect to the other channels as described in section [7.3.2.](#page-50-0)

Using the OBx_OUT channels is optional, because by default the row OB corrections (using the OB columns) are done on-chip.

Reading out a frame is done row-by-row. The pixels of a row are evenly distributed along all enabled outputs. Almost any number between 1 and 22 DATAx_OUT channels can be used, depending on the horizontal multiplexing settings (see section [7.6.4\)](#page-86-0). DATA0_OUT is always active. If more than 1 channel is used, additional channels are enabled from left to right.

Two completely different readout formats are supported. The next sections provide an introduction to both of them.

7.3.2 Pixel-Based Readout Format

Similar to other products in the CMV family, the data readout can be organized in pixels aligned using a side-band control channel. This mode is also referred to as CMV-like readout.

Low-Level Pixel Timing

- Data is transferred serially over each channel, one complete word at a time.
- Data is transferred LSB first.
- **●** All channels are word aligned (LSB of all channels sent during same CLK_OUT cycle).

This results in the timing diagram in the figure below. In the figure, the output clock is set to 90° phase, which is the default case.

Figure 54 : Low-Level Pixel Timing

Control Channel

Like all other data channels, the CTR_OUT channel transmits its data word-based. A word being transmitted on the CTR channel consists of a number of bits, each reflecting the status of a certain aspect of the sensor behavior. The table below lists the function of each bit.

Figure 55: Control Word

[Figure 54](#page-50-1) illustrates how the control word is transferred in line with pixel data. At the controller side, the data on CTR_OUT should be de-serialized like any other data channel. In the parallel domain, the various bits of the word can be used to extract status information on the sensor.

The figure below shows the timing of the various bits of the control word in an example frame. The timing of the bits is shown in the parallel domain. Some remarks concerning the figure:

- Sensor is in Full External control mode
- Dual exposure time is active (EXP_L is different from EXP_S)
- The frame size (y-window settings) is 3 rows.

Some notes concerning the figure:

- **●** EXP_L and EXP_S indicate the actual exposure time (so taking shutter lag and exposure overlap into account)
- The READOUT phase of the sensor (as used in section [7.2.7\)](#page-32-0) is more than only FVAL. There certainly is some overhead time between the end of GLOB and the start of FVAL.

- **●** Two DVAL periods are separated by an overhead time (OT). The length of this overhead time depends on the channel multiplexing and row time settings, but will be at least 1 word.
- **●** The OB data of a row of pixels appears on OBx_OUT one row time before the valid pixel data of the same row appears on DATAx_OUT. This allows external grabbing and evaluation of the OB data before the pixels of the same row are being read. This way, corrections can be done without the need for an additional row buffer.

Output Clock Phase

Figure 57: Output Clock Phase Register

The sensor has an output clock channel (CLK P/N) that is running synchronous to the output data. This clock can be used to sample the data at the receiver side. The phase of this clock (with respect to the data) can be programmed with **CLKGEN_CFG.CLKGEN_PHASE** as shown in the figure below depending on the receiver needs.

Figure 58 :

Output Clock: Phase Programmability

7.3.3 Packet-Based Readout Format

The data on DATAx_OUT, OBx_OUT and CTR_OUT can be re-formatted in byte-aligned packets. Three different packet types are used, as illustrated in [Figure 59.](#page-53-0)

Figure 59 : Packet Types

Data packets generally consist of:

- **●** SYNC: synchronization code
- **HEADER: information on the data that will follow**
- PAYLOAD: the actual pixel or meta data
- **●** Optional padding bits to keep 16-bit alignment
- **●** CRC: checksum on the payload to detect bit errors

Every channel continuously sends packets. The CTR_OUT channel only sends meta-data packets. DATAx_OUT and OBx_OUT channels send pixel data packets during sensor READOUT state and empty packets during GLOB, EXPOSURE or IDLE states. The sensor may also insert empty packets in the middle of a frame readout, for example in multiplexing scenarios.

The packet header of an empty packet is optional (controlled via register upload), since it doesn't contain any information.

The possible padding bits in the pixel data are random.

Low-Level Packet Timing

- The data output interface operates in 8-bit mode.
- Data is transferred serially over each channel in packets.
- Every packet field is transferred LSB/lsb first.
- **●** Channels are not necessarily word aligned (LSB of different channels may be sent during different CLK_OUT cycle).
- **●** A fixed serial sequence synchronizes the start of a packet.

Data is always sent in (even) byte multiples. The start of a new packet is given by a synchronization code, which forms a fixed known sequence on the serial output.

All packets start with an in-line sync word. Word-alignment can be fine-tuned at every packet start for every output channel. Due to the difference in packet lengths, not every channel will have its packet start aligned. So every channel needs its own packet/word-alignment. The CLK_OUT channel is still used as bit-clock reference as in CMV-like readout format.

Figure 60 : Low-Level Packet Timing

SYNC Code

The SYNC code is a 4-byte long fixed sequence. The code is described in the table below (lsb first).

Figure 61: SYNC Code Bits

#	Value
[0]	Always '0'
[1]	Always '1'
$\lceil 2 \rceil$	Always '0'
[3]	Always '1'
[4:31]	Always '0'

The SYNC sequence is not unique and can occur elsewhere in the data stream. However, the header code contains information on packet length that allows making the distinction.

HEADER Code

The HEADER code is a 32-bit code that is optionally repeated 3 times (1/3 FEC protection). The repetition is not at bit or even byte level, but at 32-bit. This is illustrated in the figure below.

Figure 62 : 1/3 FEC Header

When the 1/3 FEC is disabled, the HEADER code will only be 4 bytes long.

The 32-bit header format is described in the table below. It is transmitted LSB/lsb first.

Figure 63: HEADER Code

Information

Only HeaderVersion and PacketType are useful for a metadata packet. Most of the other header fields have no meaning for a metadata packet and default to zero.

Meta-Data Code

Most of the validity information that is on CTR_OUT channel in CMV-like mode is included in the pixel data packet header. A few bits that do not directly relate to the pixel data validity can be signaled on CTR_OUT using meta-data packets.

The meta-data transmitted (LSB-first) on the control channel is organized according to [Figure 64.](#page-56-0)

Figure 64: CTR_OUT Channel Meta-Data Bits

CRC Code

For all packets with a Payload, a CRC is calculated over the payload, including padding bits, using the CRC-16-CCITT polynomial (0x1021).

The CRC register is initialized to all ones (65535) at the start of each packet. Header and sync code are not included in the CRC. The highest order coefficient is transmitted least significant bit first.

7.4 Configuring the Sensor

This section provides detailed recipes for configuring the sensor in a certain operation mode. Refer to sections [7.5](#page-72-0) and [7.6](#page-84-0) for details on sensor exposure control and reading out images.

7.4.1 Operation Modes

The sensor supports different operation modes, listed per category in the table below, allowing for a large number of possible combinations.

Figure 65: Operation Modes

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7.4.2 Flow Chart

Using the flow chart below, all steps necessary to configure or reconfigure the sensor can be determined, as well as their correct and recommended order of execution.

Each step is elaborated in the next sections as a small recipe or procedure to follow. Where applicable, a reference to additional background information will be provided.

The configuration is split in a static and a dynamic part. The static part must be executed once after every power-up or upon a static mode change. The dynamic part must be executed once after every power-up and can then be executed (partially) when changing the operation mode on the fly. Subsequent steps cannot be skipped, e.g. GAIN mode can be changed without changing IMG mode, but not the other way around.

Information

Useful are the optional paths to return to either the soft reset state or the hard reset state, which can be taken to temporarily put the sensor in a lower consumption state without having to do a full power-down/power-up cycle.

Attention

Not following these recommendations can lead to the sensor being in an unknown state with unpredictable behavior.

Figure 66 : Flow Chart

Power-Up Sequence

The power-up and reset release sequence is described in section [7.2.2.](#page-24-0)

Power-Down Sequence

The power-down and reset assert sequence is described in section [7.2.2.](#page-24-0)

Common SPI Upload

Independent of the sensor operation mode or use-case, these settings must be uploaded in the specified order. Each line is a single 8-bit SPI data write access. The bank selection uploads are not stated here but must be done when changing banks.

Figure 67: Common SPI Upload Sequence

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Set Output Format

Next table lists the required register upload to set the sensor output format (see [7.3\)](#page-48-0).

Figure 68:

Output Format Register

Set PLL

Starting from the input clock frequency and the targeted output data rate, 4 parameters must be calculated to correctly configure the PLL. Then the PLL must be configured using the upload sequence below.

Figure 69: Set PLL Sequence

The parameter pll1_pre_div depends only on the frequency of the sensor input clock CLK_IN (between 6 MHz and 96 MHz).

Figure 70: CLK_IN Divider Selection

The parameter pll1_clkout_sel depends only on the targeted output data rate.

Figure 71: Data Rate Selection

Target Output Data Rate	pll1_clkout_sel	
$460 - 830$ Mbit/s		
$230 - 460$ Mbit/s		
$120 - 230$ Mbit/s		

The parameter pll1_ndiv depends on the frequency of the sensor input clock CLK_IN as well as the desired output data rate.

Equation 1:

$$
pll1_ndiv = floor \left[\frac{2^{pll1_pre_div} * 2^{pll1_clkout_sel} * f(CLK_ADC)}{f(CLK_IN)} \right]
$$

With f(CLK_ADC) (in MHz) corresponding to the target data rate (in Mbit/s), and the *floor* operation being a round down to an integer.

The parameter pll2_ndiv depends only on the frequency of the sensor input clock CLK_IN.

Equation 2:

$$
pll2_ndiv = floor \left[\frac{2^{pll1_pre_div} * 640}{f(CLK_IN)} \right]
$$

The resulting effective data rate can be calculated with the equation:

Equation 3:

effective data rate = pll1_ndiv * $\left(\frac{f (CLK_IN)}{2r^{1/1-r} r^2} \right)$ $\frac{1}{2}$ pll1_pre_div _{*} 2pll1_clkout_sel

Attention

Due to the flooring operation in calculating the parameters, the targeted data cannot be reached exactly for every possible input clock frequency (see example 3 below).

Figure 72: PLL Settings Examples

Wait for PLL Lock

As described in sectio[n7.2.3,](#page-25-0) a PLL lock time of maximum 200 µs needs to be respected.

The lock status of a PLL can be checked by polling the read-only **PLL_LOCK** register.

Figure 73: PLL Lock Register

Register Name	Bank	Addr	Read Value
PLL LOCK		115	0, 1 or 2: PLLs out of lock 3: PLLs locked

Alternatively, the lock status for each PLL can be monitored via the sensor output pin TDIGO1 using the register **DMUX1_SEL** as detailed in section [7.8.1.](#page-91-0)

Release Soft Reset

Once the PLLs are locked, the sensor can be released from soft reset and the main clock can be enabled, by applying the following register write sequence.

Figure 74:

Release Soft Reset Sequence

Assert Soft Reset

To optionally return the sensor to the soft reset state, the following register uploads need to be applied.

Figure 75: Assert Soft Reset Sequence

Asserting the soft reset will not affect the PLL. Internal clock generation and distribution however are disabled by asserting the soft reset. So before you can start grabbing frames, the soft reset has to be released again.

Set Data Multiplexing

The data can be output on a reduced number of outputs, as described in section [7.6.4.](#page-86-0) The settings for the multiplexing modes are listed below.

Figure 76: Data Multiplexing Options

Some additional registers need to be set, depending on the previously selected output interface.

Figure 77:

Output Format - Additional Registers

Set Row_Length

The 'row length' parameter sets the row rate of the sensor. The required setting of this parameter is dependent on different sensor operation modes – which are known at this stage of the configuration procedure.

The equations below can be used to calculate the minimum setting for ROW_LENGTH needed to achieve a maximum frame rate.

Equation 4:

$$
mult = ceiling \left[\frac{22}{NR_OUTP} \right]
$$

Figure 78: ROW_LENGTH Calculation

Ceiling must be interpreted as round up to the next integer. For example, for the packet-based readout mode with 5 output channels, mult = ceiling($22/5$) = ceiling(4.4) = 5 and ROW_LENGTH should be set to 2000 or higher.

Adjust Shutter Timing

To keep the same pixel array timing independent of the PLL frequency, following parameters need to be adjusted.

Figure 79: Shutter Timings Registers

Reg. Name	Bank	Address	Bits	Description
GRAN GLOB	1	5	$[7:0]$	Use calculated value
TG LENGTH	1	110-111	[13:0]	Use calculated value
SHUTTER LAG	1	114-115	[13:0]	Use calculated value
NR DUMMIES	1	46	[3:0]	Use calculated value

Use the following equations to calculate the required values:

Equation 5:

$$
GRAN_GLOB = floor \left[69 * \frac{CLK_ADC}{830} \right]
$$

Equation 6:

 $TG_LENGTH = GRAN_GLOB * 17 + Row_LENGTH - ((GRAN_GLOB * 17 + 1) mod Row_LENGTH)$

Equation 7:

 $SHUTTER_LAG = GRAN_GLOB * 96$

Equation 8:

 $NR_DUMMIES = ceiling \left[17 * \frac{GRAN_GLOB}{ROW_LENGTH}\right] + 1$

CLK_ADC is the same as the PLL1 frequency, which nominally is 830MHz (at 830Mbit/s) and *mod* in the TG_LENGTH equation is the modulo operator (remainder after division).

Some example values are shown below for different data rates.

Figure 80: Shutter Timings Examples

Reg. Name	830MHz	600MHz	415MHz
ROW LENGTH	370	370	370
GRAN GLOB	69	49	34
TG LENGTH	1479	1109	739
SHUTTER LAG	6624	4704	3264
NR DUMMIES	5		3

Set Sensor Control Mode

Depending on the selected sensor control mode (see [7.4.1\)](#page-56-1), the following SPI register settings must be written. Refer to section [7.2.8](#page-36-1) for a detailed description of the control modes.

Figure 81: Control Mode Register

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Enable Regulators

Next table lists the procedure to enable the on-chip regulators (see section [7.2.1\)](#page-21-0). Both positive and negative regulators need to be enabled.

Figure 82:

Enable Regulators Sequence

Enable Bias

To enable the internal biases, the following upload sequence (8-bit register writes and settling times) has to be followed:

Figure 83: Enable Biasing Sequence

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Set Image Mode

Depending on the selected image mode (see [7.4.1\)](#page-56-1), the following SPI register settings must be written. Refer to sections [7.5.3,](#page-77-0) [7.5.5](#page-81-0) and [7.5.7](#page-82-0) for details.

Figure 84:

Image Mode Registers

Set Gain Mode

Next table lists the required uploads per available gain mode (see [7.4.1\)](#page-56-1). The settings are depending on the selected image mode.

Figure 85:

Analog Gain Register

The optical black (OB) pixels can have an offset compared with the effective pixels in dark conditions. Register EOB_OFFSET_FINE can compensate for this offset. Next table gives an overview of the settings to be written, depending on the selected analog gain mode.

Figure 86: OB Offset Register

Set OB Correction

Next table lists the required uploads per available OB clamping mode. Refer to section [7.7.1](#page-88-0) for details.

Figure 87: OB Bypass Registers

Set Exposure Time

Please refer to section [7.5.1.](#page-72-1)
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7.5 Configuring Readout and Exposure

7.5.1 Frame Time and Exposure Time

Figure 88:

Frame and Exposure Time Registers

The table below briefly recaps the exposure and frame time configurability in the various sensor control modes (see section [7.2.8\)](#page-36-0).

Figure 89: Sensor Control Modes

Both Frame time and Exposure time are specified via registers in number of Time Units (TU). The length of a Time Unit (TU) is itself register-programmable in 'number of CLK_PIX cycles'. The period of CLK_PIX equals the length of one complete (pixel-based) word at the output interface.

The nominal CLK_PIX frequency in 12-bit mode is 69.167 MHz (≈415MHz / 6). By setting the **TIME_UNIT** register to 69, the time unit becomes ~1µs. The frame and exposure time, as set with the **FRAME_TIME** and **EXP_TIME** * registers now represent multiples of 1µs. A CLK_ADC of 828MHz, yields a time unit (TU) of exactly 1µs.

As an example, the default settings for these registers give:

Figure 90: Default Times

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Frame and exposure time registers are both 16-bit wide, which means that the exposure time can be specified with a resolution of up to 1/65536 with respect to the frame time.

A too short FRAME_TIME will lead to unpredictable behavior.

Dual Exposure HDR

Figure 91: HDR Registers

In dual exposure mode, one image can have 2 different exposure times, divided in 2 column groups. In the camera system this image can then translated to an HDR image containing both details in dark and bright areas.

In the effective pixel array, the pixels are split into two exposure groups. When **DUAL_EXP_GROUPING** is set low:

- **● Exposure group S**: all pixels of columns 0+4i and 2+4i
- **Exposure group L:** all pixels of columns 1+4i and 3+4i

When **DUAL_EXP_GROUPING** is set high, the exposure groups use adjacent column pairs:

- **Exposure group S:** all pixels of columns 0+4i and 1+4i
- **Exposure group L:** all pixels of columns 2+4i and 3+4i

The latter should be used on color sensors, keeping the Bayer pattern complete.

Figure 92 : Dual Exposure Grouping

When **DUAL_EXPOSURE** is set low, the exposure time of all pixels is set with **EXP_TIME_L**. When the register is set high, the exposure time of the two groups can be set independently with **EXP_TIME_S** and **EXP_TIME_L**.

Despite the naming of the L(ong) and S(hort) groups, it is allowed to have a shorter exposure time for the L group than for the S group.

Dual exposure mode is also supported in *Full External* control mode. In this control mode, the rising edge of REQ_EXP starts the exposure of the L group and the falling edge of REQ_EXP starts the exposure of S. If **DUAL_EXPOSURE** is low, both groups are started with the rising edge of REQ_EXP. This behavior is illustrated in [Figure 56.](#page-51-0)

Frame Time Constraint

The frame time has a minimum value requirement to guarantee the entire frame readout and exposure is completed successfully before a new frame starts. This minimum requirement is captured in the equation:

Equation 9:

 $T_{frame} > T_{\rm glob} + \max\{T_{\rm exp_*}, T_{read}\}$ with: $T_{read} = T_{row} \times (T_{fval} + T_{dummy})$

The components of this equation are:

Figure 93: Minimum Frame Time Dependencies

TU is time unit expressed in seconds, not to be confused with contents of register TIME_UNIT. The T_{read} component corresponds to the length of the READOUT state used in section [7.2.7.](#page-32-0)

In the external control modes, the same frame time equation should be respected to not interrupt the readout of active frames.

The T_{dummy} calculation is only valid in pipelined operation (starting a new exposure during read out). Five dummy rows are always inserted between GLOB and read out, the **NR_DUMMIES** dummy rows are inserted in the read out when a new exposure starts. The factor 2 is required for dual exposure mode.

If the above equation is not respected, the sensor behavior is undefined and no warning or error message is generated. It's the responsibility of the external controller to apply compliant register settings.

The equation above specifies a minimum frame time. On the upper side, the frame time may be set to any possible value within the limits of the relevant registers to fine-tune the frame rate.

The sensor has an absolute minimal exposure time of 100µs!

Maximum Frame Rate Calculation

If the frame time is set at its minimum and the exposure time is smaller than the read out time, the frame rate will be maximum and can be calculated with the following equation:

Equation 10:

Frame rate $=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ $\frac{1}{Frame\ time} = \frac{1}{T_{glob} +}$ $T_{\text{glob}} + T_{\text{read}}$

With T_{glob} the overhead time between read outs, needed to close the global shutter and sample the pixel charges in the sampling capacitors.

Equation 11:

$$
T_{glob} = \frac{150 * \text{GRAN_GLOB} * 12}{\text{CLK_ADC}}
$$

Data rate is the sub-LVDS output data rate. With the standard settings at the maximum data rate of 830Mbit/s, T_{glob} will be 149.64us.

The read out time T_{read} consists of the time actual data is read out (FVAL is high) and some dummy rows. 5 of these dummy rows are between the end of GLOB and start of FVAL and the other are injected when the exposure of the next frame starts (defined by 2 * **NR_DUMMIES**). So the total read out time is:

Equation 12:

 $T_{(read)} = \textit{ROW_LENGTH} * (\text{ sum}[\text{YWIN}_{\text{enabled}}.\textit{SIZE}] + \text{\#dummy_rows_total}) * \frac{12}{CLK}$ CLK_ADC

With **ROW_LENGTH** being the value of register as set in section [7.4.2,](#page-58-0) sum(**YWINenabled.SIZE**), the sum of the rows in all enabled windows and #dummy_rows_total the total amount of dummy rows.

With the full array being read out, the total read out time is $370*(6004+15)*12/830 = 32.198$ ms.

The total frame time then becomes 32.35ms which is a maximum frame rate of 30.9fps in pixel-based output interface mode.

Sequence Length

Figure 94: Number of Frames Register

In triggered internal mode (**CTRL_MODE** = 2), every rising edge on REQ_EXP (through external pin or register) will initiate the capture of a sequence of frames. The value in the **NROF_FRAMES** register at the moment of the rising edge on REQ_EXP will determine the sequence length.

NROF_FRAMES may be set to any value between 1 and 255. In all other control modes, the register is ignored.

When a sequence is still active, a new rising edge on REQ_EXP will increment the remaining number of frames by the value set in **NROF_FRAMES**. The total number of remaining frames may not be higher than 255.

7.5.2 Row Length

Figure 95:

Row Length Register

The row length T_{row} defines the DVAL frequency during readout; it can be programmed in number of CLK_PIX cycles with the **ROW_LENGTH** register.

The row length has a minimum value because a number of parallel processes in the sensor need to be completed within one row time. The minimal row length depends on the number of outputs used and the read out mode (see equations in section [7.4.2\)](#page-58-0).

The maximal row length value is only constrained by the 14 bits size of register.

Fine frame rate adjustments are done through external timing or with the **FRAME_TIME** register. Changing the row length only influences the DVAL frequency within a readout sequence. This can be useful when smaller or slower row buffers are used in the FPGA.

7.5.3 Windowing

The sensor supports multiple windows in the vertical direction to create regions of interest (ROI).

Row Addressing

As introduced in section [7.1.1,](#page-18-0) the sensor has buffer pixels rows above and below the effective pixels.

Every row in the array is paired with a physical row address. This row address is used to specify vertical ROI positions as described in next section.

Row addresses are assigned in ascending order starting from 0 for the row closest to the package pin row 1.

Figure 96: Valid Row Addresses

Vertical ROI Settings

The sensor allows up to 10 vertical windows to be concatenated in one single frame readout.

Each of these windows is enabled by setting their bit in **YWIN_ENA** to '1' (bit [0] = **YWIN0**, [1] = **YWIN1** …).

Each of these windows is configured with an **YWINi** register that defines the position, size and subsampling of the window. The 29 bits of each YWINi register span 4 physical SPI addresses. In the table below, only the start address is given (the upper address being 35+4×j).

Figure 97:

Vertical Windows Registers

The **START** address of a window should comply with the values in [Figure 96.](#page-77-0)

Only windows for which the respective bit in **YWIN_ENA** is set high are actually read out. This way multiple relevant Y-window specifications can be stored in the register map at the same time, enabling only the relevant ones.

All enabled windows are concatenated together (the first row of a new window is read immediately after the last row of the previous). The number of rows actually read in one frame $(= # \text{ of DVAL}$ within one FVAL) is the sum of the SIZE fields of all windows enabled by **YWIN_ENA**.

The figure below shows an example of using multiple windows.

Figure 98 : Vertical ROI Example (monochrome)

Electrical Black Windows

With the **YWIN_BLACK** register, windows can be made 'electrical black' (setting a fixed voltage at the read out path instead of the pixel voltage). If the respective bit of the YWIN_BLACK register is set high (same mapping as YWIN_ENA), then all signal information in the window is suppressed. This results in a black window containing only readout FPN information. This feature could be used for column FPN correction.

Window Overlap

Several vertical windows may overlap, although this is only useful in subsampling mode. If the same row is read multiple times within one frame, it will only contain valid data the first time (destructive read out).

One possibility is to create an interleaved readout scheme by:

- **1.** Defining two vertical windows with identical size and SUBS set to 1
- **2.** Giving START of the second window an offset so it starts at a row skipped by the sub sampling scheme of the first window
- **3.** Alternating the respective YWIN_ENA bits between every frame.

Figure 99 : Interleaved Readout

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7.5.4 Vertical Subsampling

Figure 100:

Vertical Subsampling Registers

The sensor supports vertical subsampling (skipping rows), which can be set per window. The register YWINI.SUBS defines the ratio of the accessed rows in window *i* as 1 out of every 2^{suBS} rows.

When **COLOR_MODE** register is set to 1, the rows are grouped per 2 to follow the Bayer pattern, as illustrated in [Figure 101.](#page-80-0) It is recommended to only use even window sizes in color mode to keep the Bayer filter pattern intact. ROI0 in the example below demonstrates the effect of an odd window size.

Figure 101 :

Vertical ROI Example (color mode)

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7.5.5 Horizontal Subsampling

Figure 102:

Horizontal Subsampling Registers

The sensor supports horizontal subsampling, reducing the amount of pixels per line to 1:2^{XSUBS}. This horizontal subsampling is applied to the whole array and not per ROI like vertical subsampling. Depending on COLOR_MODE, pixel grouping is done to preserve the Bayer pattern.

7.5.6 Subsampling Mode

Combining both horizontal and vertical subsampling will divide the resolution of the image by 2 in both dimensions as illustrated in [Figure 103.](#page-81-0)

Figure 103 :

XY-Subsampling for Color and Mono Sensors

In color mode, only 4 out of 4x4 neighboring pixels are read out. The output data is still Bayer patterned.

In monochrome mode, only 1 out of 2x2 neighboring pixels is read out.

The amount of pixels per channel mentioned in [Figure 111](#page-86-0) scales accordingly when combining horizontal subsampling with the readout over a reduced number of data channels.

7.5.7 Binning Mode

Figure 104:

Binning Mode Registers

The sensor supports both color and mono-chrome binning modes. In this mode, the values of 4 pixels will be summed, before the ADC. This will reduce the read out resolution with x4, but increases full well charge, dynamic range and SNR. In color mode, the Bayer pattern is preserved.

In binning mode, the summed value of 4 pixels is readout on the bottom-left position of each binning square. For every row N read at the output, two internal rows are accessed. As seen in [Figure 105](#page-82-0) in binning mode, the summed value of 4 pixels is readout on the bottom-left position of each binning square. This means only 1 out 2 columns will be read out.

Figure 105 : Color and Monochrome Binning Modes

Setting **YWINi.SUBS** to 0 will output binned rows N, N+1, N+2 and N+3.

YWINi.SIZE refers to the number of physical rows in the array. The number of binned rows at the output will be half of this number.

Binning mode cannot be combined with horizontal subsampling. For correct operation of the sensor, XSUBS must be set to 0 when binning mode is enabled.

Binning mode may be combined with vertical subsampling.

E.g. setting YWINi.SUBS to 1 will readout binned rows N, N+1, N+4, N+5 … in color mode and binned rows N, N+2, N+4 … in mono-chrome mode.

In binning mode, the start of a pipelined exposure must occur during an internal even row access. Depending on the control mode a distinction must be made on how to achieve this.

In full external mode, the edges of REQ EXP must be timed after the edge of REQ FRAME in one of the discrete windows given by the equations below:

Equation 13:

 $t_{REQ_EXP} - t_{REQ_FRAME} > T_{PK} \times ((2 \times n \times Row_LENGTH) + 2)$

 $t_{REQ_EXP} - t_{REQ_FRAME} < T_{PIX} \times ((2 \times (n + 1) \times ROW_LENGTH) - 2)$

For positive n and with $T_{\text{PIX}} = 1/f_{\text{CLK_PIX}}$

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In dual exposure mode, the equations must be satisfied for both edges of REQ_EXP.

In programmed external mode, the time between two sequential REQ_EXP pulses must be timed according to the equations:

Equation 14:

 $t_{REQ_EXP} - t_{REQ_EXP_prev} > T_{PIX} \times (TIME_UNIT \times EXP_TIME_i + (2 \times n \times Row_LENGTH) + 2)$

 $t_{REO EXP} - t_{REO EXP}$ $< T_{PIX} \times (TIME_UNIT \times EXP_TIME_i + (2 \times (n + 1) \times Row_LENGTH) - 2)$

For both EXP_TIME_L and EXP_TIME_S register settings (in dual exposure mode) and with $t_{\text{REQ_EXP_prev}}$ = the time of the previous REQ_EXP .

The EXP_TIME_*i* register settings are the ones at t_{REQ_EXP_prev} in case they are updated between frames.

In Triggered internal and streaming modes, the EXP_TIME_*i* registers must be programmed to satisfy the equations:

Equation 15:

 $2 \times n \times ROW _$ LENGTH \lt TIME UNIT \times (FRAME TIME $-$ EXP TIME \leq) $< 2 \times (n + 1) \times ROW$ _{LENGTH}

7.6 Configuring the Output Data Format

7.6.1 Main Output Format

Using the register **OUTP_FORMAT** one of the data readout formats introduced in section [7.3](#page-48-0) can be selected.

Figure 106: Output Format Register

A soft reset is required after changing **OUTP_FORMAT**. Refer to the flow chart in section [7.4.2.](#page-58-0)

7.6.2 Word Alignment

Depending on the selected output format, word alignment must be done in a different way.

Pixel-Based Word Alignment

Figure 107: Training Word Register

Whenever a data channel is not sending valid data (*), a training word is being transmitted continuously. The content of the training word can be set with the **TRAINING_WORD** register. As the sensor operates in 12-bit mode, only the lowest 12 bits of the register are sent as training word.

On all DATAx_OUT channels, the last word cycle before DVAL, the training word is inverted. If the overhead time between two DVAL cycles is only 1 word wide, only the inverted training word is sent.

(*) Valid data is:

- **DATAx OUT:** Valid pixel data (DVAL = '1')
- **OBL_OUT:** Valid OB pixel data (LOBVAL = '1')
- **OBR_OUT:** Valid OB pixel data (ROBVAL = '1')

The figure below shows illustrates this timing (drawn in the parallel domain).

Figure 108 : Training Pattern

When the sensor is not transmitting valid data, the training word can be used by the external controller to do word alignment (in other words: finding the position of bit [0]). Detecting the inverted training word will alert the presence of valid pixel data 1 pixel cycle in advance.

When the sensor is IDLE, all control word bits except the LSB (SYNC) are '0'. Detecting the SYNC bit allows for easy word alignment at the receiver side. Since all channels are bit and word aligned by default, finding the LSB of 1 channel means the LSB of all channels has been found.

Packet-Based Word Alignment

As detailed in section [7.3.3,](#page-52-0) word-alignment is done using the fixed SYNC code.

The HEADER field will alert the presence of valid pixel data in advance.

7.6.3 Packet Formatting

Figure 109:

Data Packet Formatting Registers

Depending on the requirements of the application, a trade-off can be made between data packet overhead (i.e. data throughput) and robustness.

When register **NOHDR_EMPTYPKT** is set to 1, the empty packet type described in section [7.3.3,](#page-52-0) will consist only of a SYNC code, without header. When register **NOHDR_EMPTYPKT** is set to 0, the empty packet type will consist of SYNC+HEADER.

When register **FEC_HEADER** is set to 1, the HEADER field will be sent as 96 bit using the 1/3 FEC described in section [7.6.3.](#page-85-0) This 1/3 FEC allows bit error corrections on the receiving side. When register **FEC_HEADER** is set to 0, the HEADER field will be sent in the short form (32 bit) and not be protected against bit-errors.

The register **DATA_PKT_CTRL** has no effect in pixel-based readout mode.

7.6.4 Outputs

As illustrated in [Figure 52](#page-49-0) the sensor has 22 output channels to transfer valid image data. This means that in the fastest configuration, the sensor can output 22 pixels at the same time. As the valid image width is 7920 columns, a complete row is transferred in 370 word cycles when utilizing all outputs.

Reduced Number of Data Channels

In many applications, it is not mandatory to use all data channels (for example when reading a limited horizontal ROI or when operating the sensor below its nominal frame rate). In these cases, it could be interesting to use less data channels to save power consumption.

The number of DATAx_OUT channels used is programmable with the **NR_OUTP** register.

Figure 110: Number of Outputs Registers

When **NR_OUTP_SCHEME** is set to 1, the N channels are distributed evenly, starting at DATA0 OUT. The exact mapping details are given in the table below.

Figure 111: Reduced Number of Output Settings (NR_OUTP_SCHEME=1)

When **NR_OUTP_SCHEME** is set to 0, the first N channels starting at DATA0_OUT are used.

For example, when setting **NR_OUTP** to 5, DATA0_OUT to DATA4_OUT channels are used. DATA5_OUT to DATA21_OUT are disabled. All other values in table above are still applicable.

It is not allowed to set **NR** OUTP to any value not listed in [Figure 111](#page-86-0) (i.e. 0, 7, 9 to 10 or 12 to 21.)

All unused DATAx_OUT channels are automatically disabled (powered down).

The last (or rightmost) channel of the used DATAx_OUT channels pads dummy pixels after the valid pixels when needed. Every channel sends an equal amount of pixels.

Pixel Order

The selected ROI (or full image width) is divided over 1 or more output channels. On each output, pixels are presented in-order.

The figure below shows the timing of the readout of a single row for **NR_OUTP** set to 4 (each box represents the physical column address of the pixel). Here pixels 7920 to 8639 are dummy padding pixels and must be discarded.

Figure 112 :

Multiplexed Sub-LVDS Timing Example

A similar example for packet-based readout format is given in [Figure 113.](#page-87-0)

Figure 113 :

Multiplexed Sub-LVDS Timing Example in Packet Mode

Every used data output channel outputs 6 data packets per line, separated by a number of empty packets.

DATA3_OUT transmits only 4 data packets per line, the last being #22 which contains pixels 7560 to 7919. After that, empty packets are sent on DATA3_OUT.

In packet-base mode, the word alignment between subsequent data packets might vary (depending on subsampling …). In the example above, this may be the case if the data packet is not a multiple of 4 bytes.

This translates into the need to redo word alignment between two packets on the same channel when reading out over a reduced number of data channels.

7.7 Configuring the On-Chip Data Processing

7.7.1 Optical Black Clamping

Figure 114: Optical Black Registers

This section explains how to set and correct the black levels.

Black Level Mapping

The black level at a certain point in the pixel data path on the sensor is the analog level or digital word that corresponds to the level of an ideal dark pixel (zero illumination). In practice, it is the average of all real dark pixels (optically shielded) at that point in the data path.

The black level at the output of the ADC does not equal the desired black level in the output images for several reasons including the ADC architecture, fixed pattern and temporal noise (row noise, frame noise), dark current…

As illustrated in the figure below, the black level at the ADC output needs to be mapped on the target black level at the sensor output.

Figure 115 : Black Level Mapping

The mapping is done using the equation:

Equation 16:

 $PIX_{DATA\ OUT} = clip[PIX_{ADC\ OUT} - BLACK_LEVEL_{ADC\ OUT} + BLACK_LEVEL_{DATA\ OUT}]$

BLACK_LEVELDATA_OUT is the target black level at the output of the sensor. It is specified with the register **EOB_TARGET**. The recommended minimal setting is 128 (lower settings may decrease the quality of the resulting image), which means the level at the output for black pixels will be around 128DN.

BLACK_LEVELADC OUT is the black level at the output of the ADC. Its value is set differently depending on how the black level correction is done. This is detailed in the next two sections.

On-Chip OBC

Setting **EOB_BYPASS** to 0 enables the automatic on-chip black level correction (clamping). In this mode, BLACK_LEVELADC_OUT is calculated on-chip, based on OB pixels, for every row allowing to correct for row and frame noise in the image.

This is the recommended mode of operation.

Off-Chip OBC

Setting **EOB_BYPASS** to 1 disables the automatic OBC. BLACK_LEVELADC_OUT is now specified with register **EOB_BYPASS_VALUE**. This value is constant and cannot correct for row noise in the image.

Equation 17:

 $PIX_{DATA_OUT} = clip[PIX_{ADC_OUT} - EOB_BYPASS_VALUE + EOB_TARGET]$

Further external or off-chip OBC can be achieved by reading out the OB pixel data (refer to section [7.8.4\)](#page-94-0).

7.7.2 Analog and Digital Gain

Register **GANA** is used to set the analog gain. When changing the analog gain, the OB black level also has to be fine-tuned to have optimal black level clamping.

Figure 116: Analog Gain Registers

Digital gain can be specified for the 4 color channels individually (even/odd columns, even/odd rows). E.g. GDIG_RE_CO relates to **R**ows **E**ven and **C**olumns **O**dd.

The digital gain for each channel is defined by a similar equation:

Equation 18:

Digital gain $(Rx_Cy) = (GDIG_Rx_Cy + 1)/16$

Base (default) digital gain is set by uploading a value of 15 to **GDIG_Rx_Cy**. The maximum digital gain is 16x with **GDIG_Rx_Cy** at 256. The lowest digital gain is 1/16x with **GDIG_Rx_Cy** at 0.

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Figure 117:
Digital Gain Registers
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If possible, using analog gain is preferred to using digital gain because it will improve SNR.

Analog gain is applied in the data path before the ADC and digital gain is applied after the black level correction. This means that changing the digital gain setting does not require any of the offset correction settings to be updated.

7.7.3 Color versus Monochrome Mode

As introduced in sections [7.5.6](#page-81-1) and [7.5.7,](#page-82-1) sub sampling and binning modes behave differently for color and monochrome sensors. Set **COLOR_MODE** 1 for color sensors and 0 for monochrome sensors.

7.8 Additional Features

7.8.1 Digital Test Output

Figure 118:

Digital Test Output Register

A number of digital signals of the chip can be monitored in real-time during normal sensor operation via the sensor output pin TDIGO1. This can be very helpful for testing and debugging the system without having to rely on the sub-LVDS implementation of the control channel, so a test pad or connection to the FPGA is recommended.

Selecting which signal to be monitored is done with **DMUX1_SEL**.

7.8.2 Temperature Sensor

Figure 119: Temperature Sensor Registers

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The sensor has a temperature sensor placed at the top side of the sensor. In the range of -40°C to 125°C, the temperature sensor has a maximum error of ±12°C without calibration. After a one-point calibration at 25°C, the maximum error is ±5°C, after a two-point calibration, the maximum error becomes ±3°C.

To disable the temperature sensor, both **TSENS1_PDN** and **TSENS1_RSTN** must be set to '0'.

To enable the temperature sensor, both **TSENS1_PDN** and **TSENS1_RSTN** must be set to '1' and a settling time of 0.5ms must be respected before reading **TSENS1_OUTPUT**.

The bit [9] of **TSENS1_OUTPUT** is high when an overflow condition has occurred in the temperature sensor. If this condition occurs, the temperature is either out of range, or a wrong offset was programmed in the **TSENS1_DCORRECT** register.

No Calibration

In order to get the uncalibrated temperature of the die $(\pm 12^{\circ}C)$, follow this procedure:

- **1.** Write value 131 to TSENS1_CONTROL
- **2.** Wait 0.5ms (settling time)
- **3.** Read **TSENS1_OUTPUT**
- **4.** Calculate the measured die temperature according to the equation: $T_m = (TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0] / 2) - 100$

1-Point Calibration

The procedure below describes how to calculate and set the calibration value for the temperature sensor to output the correct sensor temperature (±5°C) using one measurement.

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- **1.** Let the sensor reach a known temperature (T_i) around 25^oC and let it settle so that the die temperature (which equals the package temperature) is stable.
- **2.** Write value 131 to TSENS1_CONTROL
- **3.** Wait 0.5ms (settling time)
- **4.** Read **TSENS1_OUTPUT**
- **5.** Calculate the uncalibrated die temperature according to the equation $T_u = (TSENS1_0UTPUT[8:0] / 2) - 100$
- **6.** Calculate the calibration error: $T_e = T_i T_u$
- **7.** Update **TSENS1_DCORRECT** to $32 + (2 \times T_e)$

From now on, to measure the die temperature within ±5°C accuracy in the range from -40°C to 125°C:

1. Read **TSENS1_OUTPUT**

2. Calculate the measured die temperatures according to the equation $T_m = (TSENS1_0UTPUT[8:0] / 2) - 100$

An example:

- We let the sensor settle unpowered to a known ambient temperature of 28°C. We power up the sensor and immediately read out **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0**]. This way the junction temperature will be very close to the ambient temperature. **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0**] contains 260.
- So now $T_u = (260/2) 100 = 30$ and $T_e = 28 30 = -2$.
- Upload **TSENS1** DCORRECT with the value $32 + (2 \times T_e) = 28$.
- **●** Reading out **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0]** now gives a value of 256, which corresponds to the correct temperature $T_m = (256/2) - 100 = 28$.
- When during operation, you read out **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0]** as, for example, 338, you know that the junction temperature is equal to $Tj = Tm = (338/2) - 100 = 69^{\circ}C (\pm 5^{\circ}C)$

2-Point Calibration

A 2-point calibration will correct for the offset as well as the slope over temperature.

The procedure below describes how to calculate and set the calibration value for the temperature sensor to output the correct sensor temperature $(\pm 3^{\circ}C)$ using two measurements.

- **1.** Let the sensor reach a known temperature (T_{11}) and let it settle so that the die temperature (which equals the package temperature) is stable.
- **2.** Write value 131 to TSENS1_CONTROL, which will
- **3.** Wait 0.5ms (settling time)
- **4.** Read **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0]** and save it as B1.
- **5.** Change the temperature to T_{j2} (preferably more than 30°C difference with T_{j1}) and let it settle.
- **6.** Read out **TSENS1_OUTPUT[8:0]** and save it as B2.
- **7.** Calculate the slope as: $M = (T_{j2} T_{j1})/(B2 B1)$. For an ideal and perfect temperature sensor the slope will be 0.5.
- **8.** Calculate the offset as: $C = T_{i1} M*B1 = T_{i2} M\times B2$
- **9.** Store the values M and C, which define a straight line.

From now on, to measure the die temperature within $\pm 3^{\circ}$ C accuracy in the range from -40 $^{\circ}$ C to 125 $^{\circ}$ C:

- **1.** Read TSENS1_OUTPUT
- **2.** Calculate the measured die temperatures according to the equation $T_m = M \times TSENS1_0UTPUT[8:0] + C$

Information

For 2-point calibration **TSENS1_DCORRECT** must be left at its default value (32).

7.8.3 Version ID

Figure 120: Version ID Register

The read-only register **VERSION_ID** contains the revision number of the sensor.

7.8.4 Enable Optical Black Outputs

By default, the *OBx_OUT* channels are disabled.

To enable (or disabling again) the OB channels, use the following SPI sequence:

Figure 121: Enable OB Outputs Sequence

The OB data is read out 1 row before the image data row it refers to. See also section [7.3.2.](#page-50-0)

OB channel enabling/disabling can only be done when the PLL's are locked, enabled and reset is released.

7.8.5 Test Images

Right before the sub-LVDS output drivers, the data stream can be replaced with a number of test patterns. Selection of test mode is made with the **TEST_LVDS** register as indicated in the table below.

Figure 122:

Test Images Registers

Reg. Name	Bank	Addr	Bits	Description
TEST LVDS		81	[2:0]	See table below
TRAINING WORD		79-80	[13:0]	Choose a value

Figure 123:

Sub-LVDS Test Modes

In test mode 1, the data and OB output channels are forced to output register **TRAINING_WORD** and the control channel outputs its own training word.

In test modes 2 and 3, a fixed test image is created. The CLK_OUT and CTR_OUT channels drive their normal values, so only the actual pixel data is replaced. This is useful to debug the camera system before grabbing real images.

In sub-LVDS test mode 2, the data of pixel N is replaced by the value:

Equation 19:

 $D_{TEST} = N_{COL} + N_{ROW} + N_{KERNEL} + 1$

With:

- **N_{COL}** is the running number of pixel N in the DVAL pulse (0 for first valid pixel on each output)
- **N_{ROW}** is the running number of the DVAL pulse within FVAL (0 for first valid row in each FVAL)
- **N**_{KERNEL} is the number of the channel from which pixel N originates

The result is a 2D gradient (per channel), with a starting offset depending on the kernel number. The figure below shows an example using NR $OUTP = 4$ (NKERNEL is resp. 0, 6, 12, 18).

Figure 124 : Gradient Test Image Pixel Data

Figure 125 : Gradient Test Image Example

In sub-LVDS test mode 3, the actual data of every pixel is replaced by the output of a pseudo-random generator. The value of the first valid pixel of a frame is 4095. All outputs drive the same output value (unlike test mode 2, where the NKERNEL generates an offset between outputs).

Figure 126 : LSFR Test Image Example

8 Register Description

8.1 Register Overview

Figure 127:

Register Overview Bank Select

Figure 128:

Register Overview Bank 0

Figure 129:

Register Overview Bank 1

Figure 130: Register Overview Bank 2

Figure 131:

Register Overview Bank 3

8.2 Detailed Register Description

8.2.1 BANK_SEL Register (Address 0)

Figure 132: BANK_SEL Register

8.2.2 PARAM_HOLD Register (Bank 0, Address 1)

Figure 133: PARAM_HOLD Register

8.2.3 DISABLE_FRAMESYNC Register (Bank 0, Address 2)

Figure 134:

DISABLE_FRAMESYNC Register

8.2.4 CMD_REGS Register (Bank 0, Address 3)

Figure 135: CMD_REGS Register

8.2.5 COLOR_MODE Register (Bank 0, Address 4)

Figure 136:

COLOR_MODE Register

8.2.6 OUTP_FORMAT Register (Bank 0, Address 6)

Figure 137:

OUTP_FORMAT Register

8.2.7 DATA_PKT_CTRL Register (Bank 0, Address 7)

Figure 138: DATA_PKT_CTRL Register

8.2.8 CTRL_MODE Register (Bank 0, Address 9)

Figure 139:

CTRL_MODE Register

8.2.9 TIME_UNIT Register (Bank 0, Address 10-11)

Figure 140: TIME_UNIT Register

8.2.10 NROF_FRAMES Register (Bank 0, Address 12)

Figure 141: NROF_FRAMES Register

8.2.11 FRAME_TIME Register (Bank 0, Address 13-14)

Figure 142:

FRAME_TIME Register

8.2.12 DUAL_EXPOSURE Register (Bank 0, Address 15)

Figure 143:

DUAL_EXPOSURE Register

8.2.13 EXP_TIME_L Register (Bank 0, Address 16-17)

Figure 144: EXP_TIME_L Register

8.2.14 EXP_TIME_S Register (Bank 0, Address 18-19)

Figure 145:

EXP_TIME_S Register

8.2.15 ROW_LENGTH Register (Bank 0, Address 22-23)

Figure 146:

ROW_LENGTH Register

8.2.16 XSUBS Register (Bank 0, Address 24)

Figure 147: XSUBS Register

8.2.17 BIN_MODE Register (Bank 0, Address 25)

Figure 148: BIN_MODE Register

8.2.18 NR_OUTP Register (Bank 0, Address 26)

Figure 149:

NR_OUTP Register

8.2.19 NR_OUTP_SCHEME Register (Bank 0, Address 27)

Figure 150:

NR_OUTP_SCHEME Register

8.2.20 YWIN_ENA Register (Bank 0, Address 28-29)

Figure 151: YWIN_ENA Register

8.2.21 YWIN_BLACK Register (Bank 0, Address 30-31)

Figure 152: YWIN_BLACK Register

8.2.22 YWIN0 Register (Bank 0, Address 32-35)

Figure 153: YWIN0 Register

8.2.23 YWIN1 Register (Bank 0, Address 36-39)

Figure 154: YWIN1 Register

8.2.24 YWIN2 Register (Bank 0, Address 40-43)

Figure 155: YWIN2 Register

8.2.25 YWIN3 Register (Bank 0, Address 44-47)

Figure 156: YWIN3 Register

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8.2.26 YWIN4 Register (Bank 0, Address 48-51)

Figure 157: YWIN4 Register

8.2.27 YWIN5 Register (Bank 0, Address 52-55)

Figure 158: YWIN5 Register

8.2.28 YWIN6 Register (Bank 0, Address 56-59)

Figure 159: YWIN6 Register

8.2.29 YWIN7 Register (Bank 0, Address 60-63)

Figure 160: YWIN7 Register

8.2.30 YWIN8 Register (Bank 0, Address 64-67)

Figure 161: YWIN8 Register

8.2.31 YWIN9 Register (Bank 0, Address 68-71)

Figure 162: YWIN9 Register

8.2.32 GDIG_RE_CE Register (Bank 0, Address 72)

Figure 163: GDIG_RE_CE Register

8.2.33 GDIG_RE_CO Register (Bank 0, Address 73)

Figure 164:

GDIG_RE_CO Register

8.2.34 GDIG_RO_CE Register (Bank 0, Address 74)

Figure 165: GDIG_RO_CE Register

8.2.35 GDIG_RO_CO Register (Bank 0, Address 75)

Figure 166: GDIG_RO_CO Register

8.2.36 EOB_TARGET Register (Bank 0, Address 76-77)

Figure 167:

EOB_TARGET Register

8.2.37 GANA Register (Bank 0, Address 78)

Figure 168: GANA Register

8.2.38 TRAINING_WORD Register (Bank 0, Address 79-80)

Figure 169: TRAINING_WORD Register

8.2.39 TEST_LVDS Register (Bank 0, Address 81)

Figure 170:

TEST_LVDS Register

8.2.40 OTP_CONTROL Register (Bank 0, Address 97)

Figure 171: OTP_CONTROL Register

8.2.41 OTP_A Register (Bank 0, Address 98)

Figure 172: OTP_A Register

8.2.42 OTP_DOUT Register (Bank 0, Address 101-102)

Figure 173: OTP_DOUT Register

8.2.43 TSENS1_CONTROL Register (Bank 0, Address 103)

Figure 174:

TSENS1_CONTROL Register

8.2.44 TSENS1_OUTPUT Register (Bank 0, Address 104-105)

Figure 175: TSENS1_OUTPUT Register

8.2.45 PLL1_ENABLE Register (Bank 0, Address 106)

Figure 176:

PLL1_ENABLE Register

8.2.46 PLL1_PRE_DIV Register (Bank 0, Address 107)

Figure 177:

PLL1_PRE_DIV Register

8.2.47 PLL1_NDIV Register (Bank 0, Address 108)

Figure 178: PLL1_NDIV Register

8.2.48 PLL1_CLKOUT_SEL Register (Bank 0, Address 109)

Figure 179:

PLL1_CLKOUT_SEL Register

8.2.49 PLL2_ENABLE Register (Bank 0, Address 110)

Figure 180: PLL2_ENABLE Register

8.2.50 PLL2_NDIV Register (Bank 0, Address 112)

Figure 181: PLL2_NDIV Register

8.2.51 PLL_CLKDIV_RSTN Register (Bank 0, Address 114)

Figure 182:

PLL_CLKDIV_RSTN Register

8.2.52 PLL_LOCK Register (Bank 0, Address 115)

Figure 183: PLL_LOCK Register

8.2.53 VERSION_ID Register (Bank 0, Address 116)

Figure 184: VERSION_ID Register

8.2.54 NO_SHUTTER_LAG Register (Bank 0, Address 117)

Figure 185:

NO_SHUTTER_LAG Register

8.2.55 DUAL_EXP_GROUPING Register (Bank 0, Address 118)

Figure 186:

DUAL_EXP_GROUPING Register

8.2.56 GRAN_GLOB Register (Bank 1, Address 5)

Figure 187: GRAN_GLOB Register

8.2.57 CLKGEN_CFG Register (Bank 1, Address 6)

Figure 188:

CLKGEN_CFG Register

8.2.58 EOB_OFFSET_FINE Register (Bank 1, Address 38-39)

Figure 189: EOB_OFFSET_FINE Register

8.2.59 EOB_BYPASS Register (Bank 1, Address 42)

Figure 190:

EOB_BYPASS Register

8.2.60 EOB_BYPASS_VALUE Register (Bank 1, Address 43-44)

Figure 191: EOB_BYPASS_VALUE Register

8.2.61 NR_DUMMIES Register (Bank 1, Address 46)

Figure 192: NR_DUMMIES Register

8.2.62 TDIG Register (Bank 1, Address 99)

Figure 193: TDIG Register

8.2.63 TG_LENGTH Register (Bank 1, Address 110-111)

Figure 194: TG_LENGTH Register

8.2.64 SHUTTER_LAG Register (Bank 1, Address 114-115)

Figure 195: SHUTTER_LAG Register

8.2.65 PLL1_DISABLE_CLKOUT Register (Bank 3, Address 49)

Figure 196:

PLL1_DISABLE_CLKOUT Register

9 Application Information

9.1 Color Filter

A color version of the CMV50000 has the color filters are applied in a Bayer pattern. The first pixel read-out, pixel(0, 0), is the bottom left one and has a blue filter.

Figure 197 : Bayer Color Filter

9.2 Socket

To avoid putting the sensor through the soldering heat (stressing the color filters and micro-lenses), it is advised to use a socket and place the sensor after the solder stage. Sockets for this device are available from Andon Electronics [\(www.andonelectronics.com\)](www.andonelectronics.com) in both SMD (p/n: 575-20-19A-141- 93M-R27-L14) and TH (p/n: 575-20-19A-141-01M-R27-L14) configuration.

Contact Andon Electronics directly for more information.

9.3 Pin Layout

Figure 198 :

Pin Layout from Top View

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10 Package Drawings & Markings

Figure 199:

141-PGA Package Outline Drawing

- (1) All dimensions are in millimeters. Angles in degrees.
- (2) Au plate 0.75µm min. over 2.0µm min Ni
- (3) Unplated are on tip shall be less than Ø0.30 within 0.50 max from pin tip
- (4) Materials: 1. Package: Alumina ceramic; 2. Pin: Alloy42; 3: Standoff pin: Alloy42
- (5) Unless otherwise specified tolerances are ±1%; N.L.T: x.x ±0.25; x.xx ±0.13
- (6) The package has a marking on top, in the left bottom corner, at pin A1 position
- (7) This package contains no lead (Pb).
- (8) This drawing is subject to change without notice.

Figure 200: 141-PGA Assembly Outline Drawing

- (1) Die size: 39.4mm x 31.1mm, relative to the die SEAL ring edge, the dimensions after dicing will be typically larger.
- (2) Optical center to die and package center offset: in $X = 0$, in $Y = 628 \mu m$
- (3) Die positioned in the middle of the package cavity
- (4) Die placement accuracy: ±100µm
- (5) Die rotation in package: max ±0.2°
- (6) Die tilt towards cavity bottom: max ±0.1°
- (7) Distance from the cavity bottom to the photosensitive pixel layer (top of the die): 0.86 ±0.06mm
- (8) Distance from the top of the glass to the photosensitive pixel layer (top of the die): 1.65 ±0.20mm
- (9) Glass lid positioned in the middle of the package;
- (10) Glass size tolerance: ±0.1mm
- (11) Glass thickness: 0.7 ±0.05mm
- (12) Glass lid placement accuracy: ±200µm
- (13) All dimensions are in millimeters. Angles in degrees.
- (14) This package contains no lead (Pb).
- (15) This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- (16) The devices come covered with a heat resistant protective tape
- (17) The 4 notches are not to be mechanically stressed! They can be used to measure the level and tilt of the cavity bottom (die attach surface).

Figure 201 : 141-PGA Package Marking/Code

11 Packing Information

The devices are shipped in JEDEC PGA matrix trays.

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12 Soldering Information

Attention

Image sensors with color filter arrays (CFA) and micro lenses are especially sensitive to high temperatures. Prolonged heating at elevated temperatures may result in deterioration of the optical performance of the sensor.

A socket (see [9.2\)](#page-127-0) is the safest way to avoid any thermal stress. When not using a socket, to avoid heating up the device we recommend to use manual hand soldering. Wave soldering can be used with precautions (see below). Reflow soldering is not recommended.

Manual soldering: Use partial heating method and use a soldering iron with temperature control. The soldering iron tip temperature is not to exceed 350°C with a 270°C maximum pin temperature. Touch for a 2 seconds maximum duration per pin. Avoid touching and global heating of the ceramic package during soldering. Failure to do so may alter device performance and reliability.

Wave soldering: Wave solder dipping can cause damage to the glass and harm the imaging capability of the device. Avoid the solder to come in contact with the glass or ceramic body.

13 Revision Information

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Correction of typographical errors is not explicitly mentioned.

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