Features

• Fully integrated miniature module
  – 940 nm laser VCSEL
  – VCSEL driver
  – Ranging sensor with advanced embedded micro controller
  – 4.4 x 2.4 x 1.0 mm
• Fast, accurate distance ranging
  – Measures absolute range up to 2 m
  – Reported range is independent of the target reflectance
  – Advanced embedded optical cross-talk compensation to simplify cover glass selection
• Eye safe
  – Class 1 laser device compliant with latest standard IEC 60825-1:2014 - 3rd edition
• Easy integration
  – Single reflowable component
  – No additional optics
  – Single power supply
  – I2C interface for device control and data transfer
  – Xshutdown (reset) and interrupt GPIO
  – Programmable I2C address

Applications

• User detection for personal computers/ laptops/tablets and IoT (energy saving)
• Robotics (obstacle detection)
• White goods (hand detection in automatic faucets, soap dispensers etc.)
• 1D gesture recognition.
• Laser assisted autofocus. Enhances and speeds up camera autofocus system performance, especially in difficult scenes (low light levels, low contrast) or fast moving video mode.

Description

The VL53L0X is a new generation Time-of-Flight (ToF) laser-ranging module housed in the smallest package on the market today, providing accurate distance measurement whatever the target reflectances unlike conventional technologies. It can measure absolute distances up to 2m, setting a new benchmark in ranging performance levels, opening the door to various new applications.

The VL53L0X integrates a leading-edge SPAD array (Single Photon Avalanche Diodes) and embeds ST’s second generation FlightSense™ patented technology.

The VL53L0X’s 940 nm VCSEL emitter (Vertical Cavity Surface-Emitting Laser), is totally invisible to the human eye, coupled with internal physical infrared filters, it enables longer ranging distances, higher immunity to ambient light, and better robustness to cover glass optical crosstalk.
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1 Overview

1.1 Technical specification

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<th>Detail</th>
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<tr>
<td>Package</td>
<td>Optical LGA12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Size</td>
<td>4.40 x 2.40 x 1.00 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating voltage</td>
<td>2.6 to 3.5 V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating temperature:</td>
<td>-20 to 70°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Infrared emitter</td>
<td>940 nm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I²C</td>
<td>Up to 400 kHz (FAST mode) serial bus Address: 0x52</td>
</tr>
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</table>

1.2 System block diagram

![Figure 1. VL53L0X block diagram](image-url)
1.3 Device pinout

*Figure 2* shows the pinout of the VL53L0X (see also *Figure 22*).

*Figure 2. VL53L0X pinout (bottom view)*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pin number</th>
<th>Signal name</th>
<th>Signal type</th>
<th>Signal description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>AVDDVCSEL</td>
<td>Supply</td>
<td>VCSEL Supply, to be connected to main supply</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>AVSSVCSEL</td>
<td>Ground</td>
<td>VCSEL Ground, to be connected to main ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>Ground</td>
<td>To be connected to main ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>GND2</td>
<td>Ground</td>
<td>To be connected to main ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>XSHUT</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>Xshutdown pin, Active LOW</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>GND3</td>
<td>Ground</td>
<td>To be connected to main ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>GPIO1</td>
<td>Digital output</td>
<td>Interrupt output. Open drain output.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>DNC</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>Do Not Connect, must be left floating.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>SDA</td>
<td>Digital input/output</td>
<td>(\text{I}^2\text{C}) serial data</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>SCL</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>(\text{I}^2\text{C}) serial clock input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>AVDD</td>
<td>Supply</td>
<td>Supply, to be connected to main supply</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>GND4</td>
<td>Ground</td>
<td>To be connected to main ground</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1.4 Application schematic

Figure 3 shows the application schematic of the VL53L0X.

Figure 3. VL53L0X schematic

Note: Capacitors on external supply AVDD should be placed as close as possible to the AVDDVCSEL and AVSSVCSEL module pins.

Note: External pull-up resistors values can be found in I2C-bus specification. Pull-up are typically fitted only once per bus, near the host. Recommended values for pull-up resistors for an AVDD of 2.8V and 400KHz I2C clock would be 1.5k to 2k Ohms.

Note: XSHUT pin must always be driven to avoid leakage current. Pull-up is needed if the host state is not known. XSHUT is needed to use HW standby mode (no I2C comm).

Note: XSHUT and GPIO1 pull up recommended values are 10k Ohms

Note: GPIO1 to be left unconnected if not used
2  Functional description

2.1  System functional description

Figure 4 shows the system level functional description. The host customer application is controlling the VL53L0X device using an API (Application Programming Interface).

The API is exposing to the customer application a set of high level functions that allows control of the VL53L0X Firmware (FW) like initialization/calibration, ranging Start/Stop, choice of accuracy, choice of ranging mode.

The API is a turnkey solution, it consists of a set of C functions which enables fast development of end user applications, without the complication of direct multiple register access. The API is structured in a way that it can be compiled on any kind of platform through a well isolated platform layer.

The API package allows the user to take full benefit of VL53L0X capabilities.

A detailed description of the API is available in the VL53L0X API User Manual (separate document, DocID029105).

VL53L0X FW fully manages the hardware (HW) register accesses.

Section 2.2: Firmware state machine description details the Firmware state machine.
2.2 Firmware state machine description

Figure 5 shows the Firmware state machine.

**Figure 5. Firmware state machine**

![Firmware state machine diagram]

- **Power Off**
  - Host applies AVDD
  - Host removes AVDD
- **Hw Standby**
  - Host raises XSHUT
  - Host lowers XSHUT
- **Fw Initial Boot**
- **Sw Standby**
  - Host initiates STOP
  - Automatic move to SW standby
  - Host initiates START
- **Range Mode**
  - Continuous Timed
  - Continuous
  - Single
- **Range Meas**
- **Inter-Meas Standby**
  - Inter-measurement period not completed
- **Next start starts automatically after the last has finished**
2.3 Customer manufacturing calibration flow

*Figure 6* shows the recommended calibration flow that should be applied at customer level, at factory, once only. This flow takes into account all parameters (cover glass, temperature & voltage) from the application.

*Figure 6. Customer manufacturing calibration flow*

- **Manufacturing calibration flow**
  - Device initialization and settings (~40ms*)
  - SPADs calibration (~10ms*)
  - Temperature calibration (~40ms*)
  - Offset calibration (~300ms*)
  - CrossTalk calibration (~1sec*)

* : Timings are given for information only, they can vary depending on the Host capabilities

- Initialisation - to be called once after device reset
- Initial calibration - required only once, host to store values.
- Calibration step to be repeated with > 8 degreeC temperature change.
2.3.1 SPAD and temperature calibration

In order to optimize the dynamic of the system, the reference SPADs have to be calibrated. Reference SPAD calibration needs to be done only once during the initial manufacturing calibration, the calibration data should then be stored on the Host.

Temperature calibration is the calibration of two parameters (VHV and phase cal) which are temperature dependent. These two parameters are used to set the device sensitivity. Calibration should be performed during initial manufacturing calibration, it must be performed again when temperature varies more than 8degC compared to the initial calibration temperature.

For more details on SPAD and temperature calibration please refer to the VL53L0X API User Manual.

2.3.2 Ranging offset calibration

Ranging offset can be characterized by the mean offset, which is the centering of the measurement versus the real distance.

Offset calibration should be performed at factory for optimal performances (recommended at 10cm). The offset calibration should take into account:

- Supply voltage and temperature
- Protective cover glass above VL53L0X module

![Figure 7. Range offset](image)
2.3.3 Cross-talk calibration

Cross-talk is defined as the signal return from the cover glass. The magnitude of the cross-talk depends on the type of glass and air gap. Cross-talk results in a range error which is proportional to the ratio of the cross-talk to the signal return from the target.

Figure 8. Cross-talk compensation

Full offset and cross-talk calibration procedure is described in the VL53L0X API User Manual.

2.4 Ranging operating modes

There are 3 ranging modes available in the API:

1. Single ranging
   Ranging is performed only once after the API function is called. System returns to SW standby automatically.

2. Continuous ranging
   Ranging is performed in a continuous way after the API function is called. As soon as the measurement is finished, another one is started without delay. User has to stop the ranging to return to SW standby. The last measurement is completed before stopping.

3. Timed ranging
   Ranging is performed in a continuous way after the API function is called. When a measurement is finished, another one is started after a user defined delay. This delay (inter-measurement period) can be defined through the API. User has to stop the ranging to return to SW standby.

If the stop request comes during a range measurement, the measurement is completed before stopping. If it happens during an inter-measurement period, the range measurement stops immediately.
2.5 Ranging profiles

There are 4 different ranging profiles available via API example code. Customers can create their own ranging profile dependent on their use case performance requirements. For more details please refer to the VL53L0X API User Manual.

1. Default mode
2. High speed
3. High accuracy
4. Long range

2.6 Ranging profile phases

Each range profile consists of 3 consecutive phases:

- Initialization and load calibration data
- Ranging
- Digital housekeeping

*Figure 9. Typical initialization / ranging / housekeeping phases*
2.6.1 Initialization and load calibration data phase

Initialization and calibration phase is performed before the first ranging or after a device reset, see Figure 9.
The user may then have to repeat the temperature calibration phase in a periodic way, depending on the use case.
For more details on the calibration functions please refer to the VL53L0X API User Manual.

2.6.2 Ranging phase

The ranging phase consists of a range setup then range measurement.

During the ranging operation, several VCSEL infrared pulses are emitted, then reflected back by the target object, and detected by the receiving array. The photo detector used inside VL53L0X is using advanced ultra-fast SPAD technology (Single Photon Avalanche Diodes), protected by several patents.

The typical timing budget for a range is 33ms (init/ranging/housekeeping), see Figure 12, with the actual range measurement taking 23ms, see Figure 9. The minimum range measurement period is 8ms.

2.6.3 Digital housekeeping

Digital processing (housekeeping) is the last operation inside the ranging sequence that computes, validates or rejects a ranging measurement. Part of this processing is performed internally while the other part is executed on the Host by the API.

At the end of the digital processing, the ranging distance is computed by VL53L0X itself. If the distance could not be measured (weak signal, no target…), a corresponding error code is provided.

The following functions are performed on the device itself:
- Signal value check (weak signal)
- Offset correction
- Cross-talk correction (in case of cover glass)
- Final ranging value computation

While the API performs the following:
- Return Ignore Threshold RIT check (Signal check versus cross talk)
- Sigma check (accuracy condition)
- Final ranging state computation

If the user wants to enhance the ranging accuracy, some extra processing (not part of the API) can be carried out by the host, for example, rolling average, hysteresis or any kind of filtering.
2.7 Getting the data: interrupt or polling

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

Polling mode: user has to check the status of the ongoing measurement by polling an API function.

Interrupt mode: An interrupt pin (GPIO1) sends an interrupt to the host when a new measurement is available.

The description of these 2 modes is available in the VL53L0X API User Manual.

2.8 Device programming and control

Device physical control interface is I²C, described in Section 3: Control interface.

A software layer (API) is provided to control the device. The API is described in the VL53L0X API User Manual.

2.9 Power sequence

2.9.1 Power up and boot sequence

There are two options available for device power up/boot.

Option 1: XSHUT pin connected and controlled from host.

This option helps to optimize power consumption as the VL53L0X can be completely powered off when not used, and then woken up through host GPIO (using XSHUT pin).

HW Standby mode is defined as the period when AVDD is present and XSHUT is low.

Figure 10. Power up and boot sequence

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AVDD</th>
<th>XSHUT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>HW STANDBY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FW BOOT</td>
<td>SW STANDBY</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\[ t_{BOOT} \text{ is } 1.2\text{ms max.} \]

Option 2: XSHUT pin not controlled by host, and tied to AVDD through pull-up resistor.

In case XSHUT pin is not controlled, the power up sequence is presented in Figure 11. In this case, the device is going automatically in SW STANDBY after FW BOOT, without entering HW STANDBY.
2.10 Ranging sequence

$t_{\text{timing_budget}}$ is a parameter set by the user, using a dedicated API function. Default value is 33ms.
3 Control interface

This section specifies the control interface. The I^2C interface uses two signals: serial data line (SDA) and serial clock line (SCL). Each device connected to the bus is using a unique address and a simple master / slave relationships exists.

Both SDA and SCL lines are connected to a positive supply voltage using pull-up resistors located on the host. Lines are only actively driven low. A high condition occurs when lines are floating and the pull-up resistors pull lines up. When no data is transmitted both lines are high.

Clock signal (SCL) generation is performed by the master device. The master device initiates data transfer. The I^2C bus on the VL53L0X has a maximum speed of 400 kbits/s and uses a device address of 0x52.

Information is packed in 8-bit packets (bytes) always followed by an acknowledge bit, Ac for VL53L0X acknowledge and Am for master acknowledge (host bus master). The internal data is produced by sampling SDA at a rising edge of SCL. The external data must be stable during the high period of SCL. The exceptions to this are start (S) or stop (P) conditions when SDA falls or rises respectively, while SCL is high.

A message contains a series of bytes preceded by a start condition and followed by either a stop or repeated start (another start condition but without a preceding stop condition) followed by another message. The first byte contains the device address (0x52) and also specifies the data direction. If the least significant bit is low (that is, 0x52) the message is a master write to the slave. If the lsb is set (that is, 0x53) then the message is a master read from the slave.

All serial interface communications with the camera module must begin with a start condition. The VL53L0X module acknowledges the receipt of a valid address by driving the SDA wire low. The state of the read/write bit (lsb of the address byte) is stored and the next byte of data, sampled from SDA, can be interpreted. During a write sequence the second byte received provide a 8-bit index which points to one of the internal 8-bit registers.
As data is received by the slave it is written bit by bit to a serial/parallel register. After each data byte has been received by the slave, an acknowledge is generated, the data is then stored in the internal register addressed by the current index.

During a read message, the contents of the register addressed by the current index is read out in the byte following the device address byte. The contents of this register are parallel loaded into the serial/parallel register and clocked out of the device by the falling edge of SCL.

At the end of each byte, in both read and write message sequences, an acknowledge is issued by the receiving device (that is, the VL53L0X for a write and the host for a read).

A message can only be terminated by the bus master, either by issuing a stop condition or by a negative acknowledge (that is, not pulling the SDA line low) after reading a complete byte during a read operation.

The interface also supports auto-increment indexing. After the first data byte has been transferred, the index is automatically incremented by 1. The master can therefore send data bytes continuously to the slave until the slave fails to provide an acknowledge or the master terminates the write communication with a stop condition. If the auto-increment feature is used the master does not have to send address indexes to accompany the data bytes.
### 3.1 I²C interface - timing characteristics

Timing characteristics are shown in Table 3. Please refer to Figure 19 for an explanation of the parameters used.

Timings are given for all PVT conditions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Minimum</th>
<th>Typical</th>
<th>Maximum</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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<tr>
<td>$F_{I2C}$</td>
<td>Operating frequency (Standard and Fast mode)</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>400$^{(1)}$</td>
<td>kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{LOW}$</td>
<td>Clock pulse width low</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>μs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{HIGH}$</td>
<td>Clock pulse width high</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>μs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{SP}$</td>
<td>Pulse width of spikes which are suppressed by the input filter</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>ns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{BUF}$</td>
<td>Bus free time between transmissions</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{HD.STA}$</td>
<td>Start hold time</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>μs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{SU.STA}$</td>
<td>Start set-up time</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>μs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{HD.DAT}$</td>
<td>Data in hold time</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>μs</td>
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<td>$t_{SU.DAT}$</td>
<td>Data in set-up time</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{R}$</td>
<td>SCL/SDA rise time</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>ns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{F}$</td>
<td>SCL/SDA fall time</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>ns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$t_{SU.STO}$</td>
<td>Stop set-up time</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>μs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$C_{I/O}$</td>
<td>Input/output capacitance (SDA)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>pF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$C_{IN}$</td>
<td>Input capacitance (SCL)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>pF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$C_{L}$</td>
<td>Load capacitance</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>125</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>pF</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. The maximum bus speed is also limited by the combination of 400pF load capacitance and pull-up resistor. Please refer to the I²C specification for further information.
3.2 I\textsuperscript{2}C interface - reference registers

The registers shown in the table below can be used to validate the user I\textsuperscript{2}C interface.

### Table 4. Reference registers

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Address</th>
<th>(After fresh reset, without API loaded)</th>
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<tr>
<td>0xC0</td>
<td>0xEE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0xC1</td>
<td>0xAA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0xC2</td>
<td>0x10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0x51</td>
<td>0x0099</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0x61</td>
<td>0x0000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** I\textsuperscript{2}C read/writes can be 8, 16 or 32-bit. Multi-byte reads/writes are always addressed in ascending order with MSB first as shown in Table 5.

### Table 5. 32-bit register example

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Register address</th>
<th>Byte</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>MSB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address + 1</td>
<td>..</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address + 2</td>
<td>..</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address + 3</td>
<td>LSB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4 Electrical characteristics

4.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Table 6. Absolute maximum ratings

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Min.</th>
<th>Typ.</th>
<th>Max.</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>AVDD</td>
<td>-0.5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>3.6</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCL, SDA, XSHUT and GPIO1</td>
<td>-0.5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>3.6</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: Stresses above those listed in Table 6. may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational sections of the specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

4.2 Recommended operating conditions

Table 7. Recommended operating conditions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Min.</th>
<th>Typ.</th>
<th>Max.</th>
<th>Unit</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Voltage (AVDD)</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>2.8</td>
<td>3.5</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IO (IOVDD)</td>
<td>1.6</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.9</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature (normal operating)</td>
<td>-20</td>
<td>+70</td>
<td>°C</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. There are no power supply sequencing requirements. The I/Os may be high, low or floating when AVDD is applied. The I/Os are internally failsafe with no diode connecting them to AVDD
2. XSHUT should be high level only when AVDD is on.
3. SDA, SCL, XSHUT and GPIO1 high levels have to be equal to AVDD in 2V8 mode.
4. The default API mode is 1V8.
   2V8 mode is programmable using device settings loaded by the API. For more details please refer to the VL53L0X API User Manual.

4.3 ESD

VL53L0X is compliant with ESD values presented in Table 8:

Table 8. ESD performances

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Specification</th>
<th>Conditions</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Human Body Model</td>
<td>JS-001-2012</td>
<td>+/- 2kV, 1500 Ohms, 100pF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Charged Device Model</td>
<td>JZSD22-C101</td>
<td>+/- 500V</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4.4 Current consumption

Table 9. Consumption at ambient temperature\(^{(1)}\)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Min.</th>
<th>Typ.</th>
<th>Max.</th>
<th>Unit</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>HW STANDBY</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>(\mu)A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SW STANDBY (2V8 mode)(^{(2)})</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>(\mu)A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Timed ranging Inter measurement</td>
<td>16</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(\mu)A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Active Ranging average consumption (including VCSEL) (^{(3)(4)})</td>
<td>19</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>mA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Average power consumption at 10Hz with 33ms ranging sequence</td>
<td></td>
<td>20</td>
<td></td>
<td>mW</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1. All current consumption values include silicon process variations. Temperature and Voltage are at nominal conditions (23\(\text{deg}\)C and 2.8V).
   All values include AVDD and AVDDVCSEL.
2. In standard mode (1V8), pull-ups have to be modified, then SW STANDBY consumption is increased by \(+0.6\mu\)A.
3. Active ranging is an average value, measured using default API settings (33ms timing budget).
4. Peak current (including VCSEL) can reach 40mA.
## 4.5 Electrical characteristics

### Table 10. Digital I/O electrical characteristics

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Minimum</th>
<th>Typical</th>
<th>Maximum</th>
<th>Unit</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Interrupt pin (GPIO1)</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$V_{IL}$</td>
<td>Low level input voltage</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>0.3 IOVDD</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$V_{IH}$</td>
<td>High level input voltage</td>
<td>0.7 IOVDD</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$V_{OL}$</td>
<td>Low level output voltage ($I_{OUT} = 4 \text{ mA}$)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$V_{OH}$</td>
<td>High level output voltage at ($I_{OUT} = 4 \text{ mA}$)</td>
<td>IOVDD-0.4</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$F_{GPIO}$</td>
<td>Operating frequency ($C_{LOAD} = 20 \text{ pF}$)</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>MHz</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| **I²C interface (SDA/SCL)** |                                                                             |         |         |         |      |
| $V_{IL}$     | Low level input voltage                                                      | -0.5    | -       | 0.6     | V    |
| $V_{IH}$     | High level input voltage                                                     | 1.12    | -       | IOVDD+0.5 | V    |
| $V_{OL}$     | Low level output voltage ($I_{OUT} = 4 \text{ mA}$ in Standard and Fast modes) | -       | -       | 0.4     | V    |
| $I_{IL}/I_{IH}$ | Leakage current$^{(1)}$                                     | -       | -       | 10      | µA   |
|         | Leakage current$^{(2)}$                                              | -       | -       | 0.15    | µA   |

1. $AVDD = 0 \text{ V}$

2. $AVDD = 2.85 \text{ V}; \text{I/O voltage} = 1.8 \text{ V}$
5 Performance

5.1 Measurement conditions

In all measurement tables in the document, it is considered that the full Field Of View (FOV) is covered.

VL53L0X system FOV is 25 degrees.

Reflectance targets are standard ones (Grey 17% N4.74 and White 88% N9.5 Munsell charts).

Unless mentioned, device is controlled through the API using the default settings (refer to VL53L0X API User Manual for API settings description).

![Figure 20. Typical ranging (default mode)](image-url)
5.2 Max ranging distance

Table 11 presents the ranging specification for VL53L0X bare module, without cover glass, at room temperature (23 degrees C) and with nominal voltage (2.8 Volts).

Table 11. Max ranging capabilities with 33ms timing budget

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Target reflectance level (full FOV)</th>
<th>Conditions</th>
<th>Indoor (2)</th>
<th>Outdoor overcast (2)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>White target (88%)</td>
<td>Typical</td>
<td>200cm+ (1)</td>
<td>80cm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Minimum</td>
<td>120cm</td>
<td>60cm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grey target (17%)</td>
<td>Typical</td>
<td>80cm</td>
<td>50cm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Minimum</td>
<td>70cm</td>
<td>40cm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note (1): using long range API profile
Note (2):
- Indoor: no infrared
- Outdoor overcast corresponds to a parasitic noise of 10kcps/SPAD for VL53L0X module. For reference, this corresponds to a 1.2W/m² at 940nm, and is equivalent to 5kLux daylight, while ranging on a grey 17% chart at 40cm

Measurement conditions:
- Targets reflectance used: Grey (17%), White (88%)
- Nominal Voltage (2.8V) and Temperature (23degreesC)
- All distances are for a complete Field of View covered (FOV = 25degrees)
- 33ms timing budget

All distances mentioned in this table are guaranteed for a minimum detection rate of 94% (up to 100%). Detection rate is the worst case percentage of measurements that will return a valid measurement when target is detected.

5.3 Ranging accuracy

5.3.1 Standard deviation

Ranging accuracy can be characterized by standard deviation. It includes Measure-to-Measure and Part-to-Part (silicon) dispersion.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Table 12. Ranging accuracy</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Target reflectance level (full FOV)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Distance 33 ms 66 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>White Target (88%) At 120 cm 4 % 3 % At 60 cm 7 % 6 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grey Target (17%) At 70 cm 7 % 6% at 40 cm 12 % 9 %</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Measurement conditions:
- Targets reflectance used: Grey (17 %), White (88 %)
- Offset correction done at 10 cm from sensor
- Indoor: no infrared / Outdoor: eq. 5 kLux equivalent sunlight (10 kcps/SPAD)
- Nominal voltage (2v8) and Temperature (23 degreesC)
- All distances are for a complete FOV covered (FOV = 25 degrees)
- Detection rate is considered at 94 % minimum
5.3.2 Range profile examples

*Table 13* details typical performance for the four example ranging profiles, as per measurement conditions in *Section 5.3: Ranging accuracy*.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Range profile</th>
<th>Range timing budget</th>
<th>Typical performance</th>
<th>Typical application</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Default mode</td>
<td>30 ms</td>
<td>1.2 m, accuracy as per <em>Table 12</em></td>
<td>Standard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>High accuracy</td>
<td>200 ms</td>
<td>1.2 m, accuracy &lt; +/- 3 %</td>
<td>Precise measurement</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Long range</td>
<td>33 ms</td>
<td>2 m, accuracy as per <em>Table 12</em></td>
<td>Long ranging, only for dark conditions (no IR)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>High speed</td>
<td>20 ms</td>
<td>1.2 m, accuracy +/- 5 %</td>
<td>High speed where accuracy is not priority</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.3.3 Ranging offset error

The table below shows how range offset may drift over distance, voltage and temperature. Assumes offset calibrated at 10cm. See VL53L0X API User Manual for details on offset calibration.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ranging distance</th>
<th>Nominal conditions</th>
<th>Measure point</th>
<th>Typical offset from nominal</th>
<th>Maximum offset from nominal</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ranging distance Offset calibration at 10 cm (“zero”)</td>
<td>White 120 cm (indoor) Grey 70 cm (indoor) White 60 cm (outdoor) Grey 40 cm (outdoor)</td>
<td>2.6 V to 3.5 V</td>
<td>+/- 10 mm</td>
<td>+/- 15 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Voltage drift</td>
<td>2.8 V</td>
<td>2.6 V to 3.5 V</td>
<td>+/- 10 mm</td>
<td>+/- 15 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature drift</td>
<td>23 °C</td>
<td>-20°C to +70°C</td>
<td>+/- 10 mm</td>
<td>+/- 30 mm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
6  Outline drawing

Figure 22. Outline drawing (page 1/3)
The VL53L0X module is delivered with a protective liner covering the top of the cap to protect the sensor from foreign material during the assembly process. It must be removed by the customer just before mounting the cover glass.
7 Laser safety considerations

The VL53L0X contains a laser emitter and corresponding drive circuitry. The laser output is designed to remain within Class 1 laser safety limits under all reasonably foreseeable conditions including single faults in compliance with IEC 60825-1:2014 (third edition).

The laser output will remain within Class 1 limits as long as the STMicroelectronics recommended device settings (API settings) are used and the operating conditions specified are respected.

The laser output power must not be increased by any means and no optics should be used with the intention of focusing the laser beam.

Caution: Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

Figure 25. Class 1 laser product label
8  Packaging and labeling

8.1  Product marking
A 2-line product marking is applied on the backside of the module (i.e. on the substrate). The first line is the silicon product code, and the second line, the internal tracking code.

Figure 26. Example of marking

8.2  Inner box labeling
The labeling follows the ST standard packing acceptance specification.
The following information will be on the inner box label:
• assembly site
• sales type
• quantity
• trace code
• marking
• bulk ID number

8.3  Packing
At customer / subcontractor level, it is recommended to mount the VL53L0X in a clean environment to avoid foreign material deposition.
To help avoid any foreign material contamination at phone assembly level the modules will be shipped in a tape and reel format with a protective liner. The packaging will be vacuum-sealed and include a desiccant.
The liner is compliant with reflow at 260°C. It must be removed during assembly of the customer device, just before mounting the cover glass.
8.3.1 Tape outline drawings

Figure 27. Tape outline drawing

8.4 Pb-free solder reflow process

Figure 28 and Table 15 shows the recommended and maximum values for the solder profile.

Customers will have to tune the reflow profile depending on the PCB, solder paste and material used.

We expect customers to follow the “recommended” reflow profile, which is specifically tuned for VL53L0X package.

For any reason if a customer must perform a reflow profile which is different from “recommended” one (especially peak >240°C), this new profile must be qualified by the customer at its own risk. In any case, the profile have to be within the “maximum” profile limit described in Table 15.
Table 15. Recommended solder profile

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Recommended</th>
<th>Maximum</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Minimum temperature (TS min)</td>
<td>130°C</td>
<td>150°C</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maximum temperature (TS max)</td>
<td>200°C</td>
<td>200°C</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time ts (TS min to TS max)</td>
<td>90-110 s</td>
<td>60 - 120 s</td>
<td>seconds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature (T_L)</td>
<td>217°C</td>
<td>217°C</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time (t_L)</td>
<td>55-65 s</td>
<td>55 - 65 s</td>
<td>seconds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ramp up</td>
<td>+2 °C/second</td>
<td>+3 °C/second</td>
<td>°C/second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature (T_p-10)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>250°C</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time (t_p-10)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>10 s</td>
<td>seconds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ramp up</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>+3 °C/second</td>
<td>°C/second</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peak temperature (Tp)</td>
<td>240°C</td>
<td>260 max</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time to peak</td>
<td>300 s</td>
<td>300 s</td>
<td>seconds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ramp down (peak to T_L)</td>
<td>-4 °C/second</td>
<td>-6 °C/second</td>
<td>°C/second</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Figure 28. Solder profile

Note: Temperature mentioned in Table 15 is measured at the top of VL53L0X package.

Note: The component should be limited to a maximum of 3 passes through this solder profile.
8.5 Handling and storage precautions

8.5.1 Shock precaution

Proximity sensor modules house numerous internal components that are susceptible to shock damage. If a unit is subject to excessive shock, is dropped onto the floor, or a tray/reel of units is dropped onto the floor, it must be rejected, even if no apparent damage is visible.

8.5.2 Part handling

Handling must be done with non-marring ESD safe carbon, plastic, or Teflon tweezers. Ranging module are susceptible to damage or contamination. A clean assembly process is advised at customer after un-taping the parts, and until a protective cover glass is mounted.

8.5.3 Compression force

A maximum compressive load of 25N shall be applied on the module.

8.5.4 Moisture sensitivity level

Moisture sensitivity is level 3 (MSL) as described in IPC/JEDEC JSTD-020-C

8.6 Storage temperature conditions

Table 16. Recommended storage conditions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Min.</th>
<th>Typ.</th>
<th>Max.</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Temperature (storage)</td>
<td>-40</td>
<td></td>
<td>+85</td>
<td>°C</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9 Ordering information

Table 17. Ordering information

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sales type</th>
<th>Package</th>
<th>Packing</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>VL53L0CXV0DH/1</td>
<td>Optical LGA12 with liner</td>
<td>Tape and reel</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

10 Acronyms and abbreviations

Table 18. Acronyms and abbreviations

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Acronym/ abbreviation</th>
<th>Definition</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ESD</td>
<td>Electrostatic discharge</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>( \text{i}^2 \text{C} )</td>
<td>Inter-integrated circuit (serial bus)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NVM</td>
<td>Non volatile memory</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RIT</td>
<td>Return Ignore Threshold</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPAD</td>
<td>Single photon avalanche diode</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VCSEL</td>
<td>Vertical cavity surface emitting laser</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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Table 19. Document revision history

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