



Going further with FlightSense™





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ST pioneer and leader in Time-of-Flight (ToF)

ST is #1 Worldwide ToF sensor supplier

4 Generations

of all-in-one ToF solution deployed since 5 years

>155 phones with FlightSense™

Above 15 smartphone OEMs

Hundreds other customers

Hundreds non wireless end-products in the market

>40,000

Evaluation kits deployed

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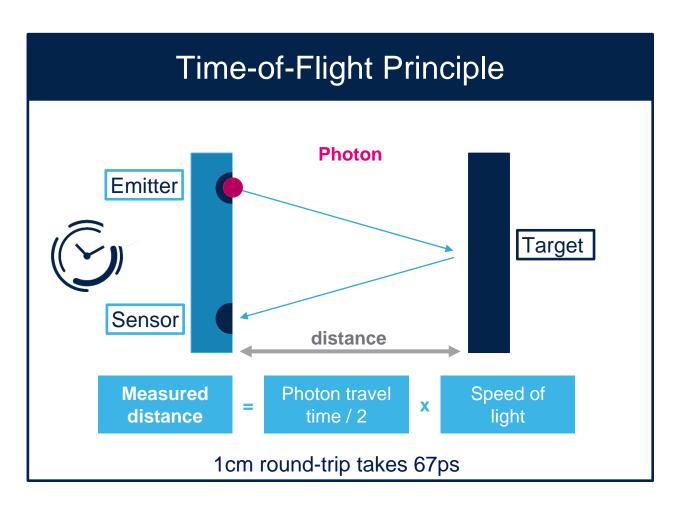
ToF units shipped. Mastering end-to-end supply chain







FlightSense™ ... making light work



ST proprietary FlightSense™ technology

True distance measurement

Independent of target size, color & reflectance

Fast and low power

Truly invisible 940 nm illumination





FlightSense™ Typical module overview

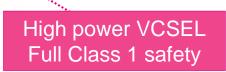
All-in-One (illumination & sensor) Time of Flight system

→ Optimized size / performance / cost mix

Advanced optics with integrated IR filter

State-of-art assembly & testing manufacturing ST line in SHZ

Monolithic ToF SoC, SPAD Array, RAM/ROM & powerful Class1 VCSEL driver







FlightSense™ product longevity 7-year commitment



FlightSenseTM benefits from ST Longevity Program

7-year longevity from Product Introduction Date

- VL6180X since January 2015
- VL6180V1 since January 2019
- VL53L0CX since January 2019
- VL53L3CX since January 2019
- VL53L1CX since January 2019





Smart optical sensing & FlightSense™ ... making light work













Camera Assistance

- Laser autofocus
- Touch-to-Focus
- Scene understanding
- AWB assist based on 940nm content

Ranging & Proximity

- True ToF distance
- High accuracy
- Up-to 4 meters

Multispectral & Flicker

- True tone color display & ALS
- Camera AWB
- Light flicker measurement and correction

Face Identification

- Face anti-spoofing
- Cost, power, size optimized
- All-in-one depth sensing

Presence, User Detect

- Securit
- Comfort
- Power saving
- Eye protection
- Wellness

Depth Map & AR/VR

- All-in-one Module
- High resolution receiver
- Gesture
- Consumer LiDAR

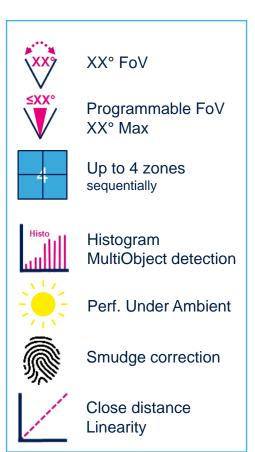


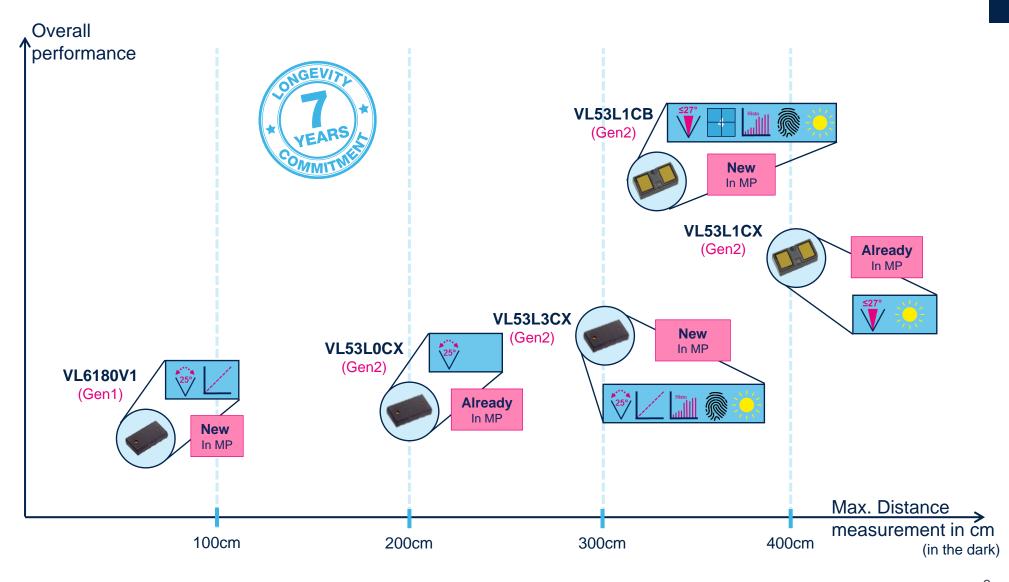
FlightSense™ ST ToF ranging sensors Mass-market roadmap





FlightSense™ mass-market roadmap

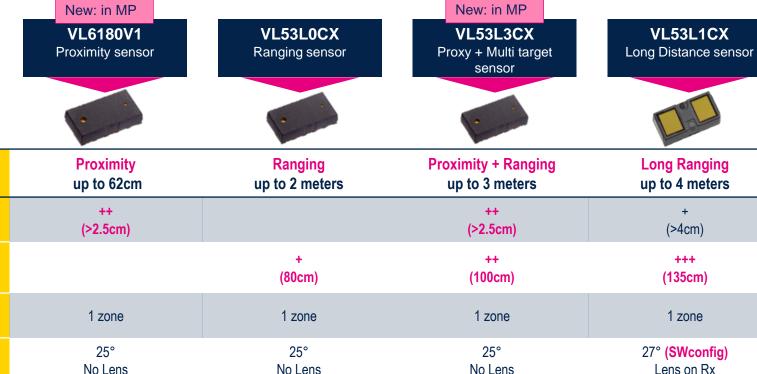








FlightSense™ mass-market roadmap



Distance measurement	Proximity up to 62cm	Ranging up to 2 meters	Proximity + Ranging up to 3 meters	Long Ranging up to 4 meters	3.2 meters (Histogram) up to 4 meters (Lite ranging)
Close distance linearity	++ (>2.5cm)		++ (>2.5cm)	+ (>4cm)	+ (>4cm)
Performance under ambient light (along windows with strong outside light)		+ (80cm)	++ (100cm)	+++ (135cm)	+ (90cm)
Resolution	1 zone	1 zone	1 zone	1 zone	1 zone or sequential MultiZone
FoV	25° No Lens	25° No Lens	25° No Lens	27° (SWconfig) Lens on Rx	27° (SW config) Lens on Rx
Multi-target detection (Histogram)	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
X-talk / Smudge immunity	X-talk compensation	X-talk compensation	Immunity >80cm <80cm: Smudge compensation	X-talk compensation	Immunity >80cm <80cm: Smudge compensation
Power Consumption	1.7mA	19mA (low power mode available)	16mA	16mA (low power mode available)	16mA
Driver size	ROM 3.9kB to 4.5kB RAM 0.14kB	ROM 13.5kB to 23.4kB RAM 0.78kB	ROM 28.5kB to 36kB RAM 0.31kB	ROM 9.8kB to 14.6kB RAM 0.30kB (ultra lite driver available)	ROM 31kB to 47.6kB RAM 0.31kB
Small all-in-one modules	4.8 x 2.8 x 1.0 mm	4.4 x 2.4 x 1.0 mm	4.4 x 2.4 x 1.0 mm	4.9 x 2.5 x 1.56 mm	4.9 x 2.5 x 1.56 mm

New: in MP

VL53L1CB Long Distance + Multi

target sensor

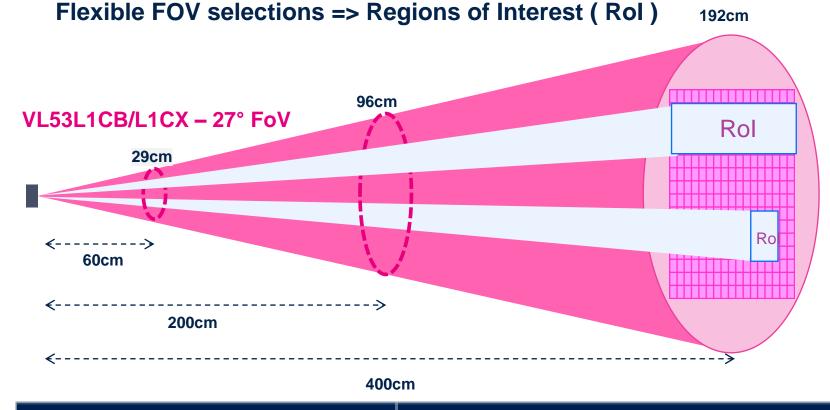
FlightSense™ ST ToF ranging sensors Highlights on new product features





Programmable Field of View VL53L1CX & VL53L1CB



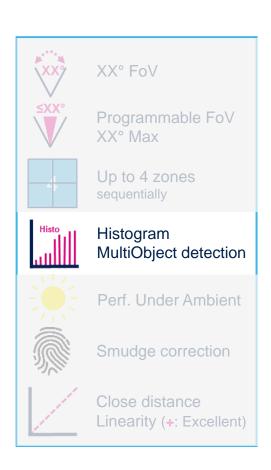


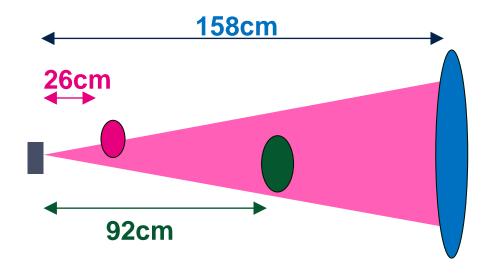
ROI zone size (in SPADs)	Diagonal FOV covered by the zone		
4x4	15 ° (smallest)		
8x8	20 °		
16x16	27 ° (largest, full FoV)		



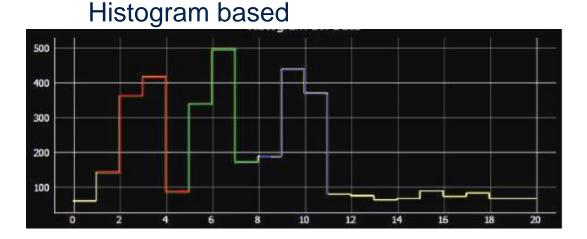


Multi-object detection VL53L3CX & VL53L1CB



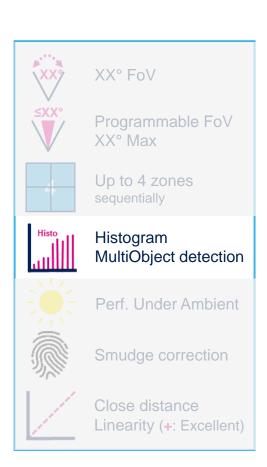


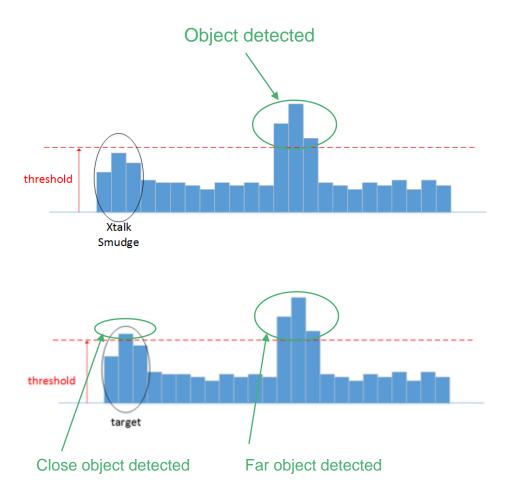
- Output ranging distance for each object (60~70cm granularity)
- Only direct ToF can do it.
 Indirect ToF cannot output multi bins and extract distance with correct resolution
- Allow first object detection
- Allow background removal





Histogram architecture VL53L3CX & VL53L1CB





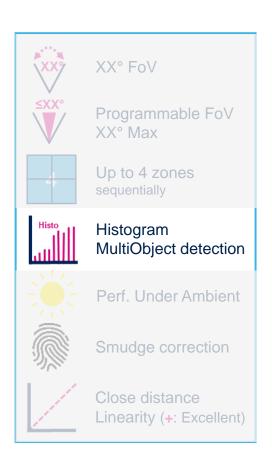
- The histogram is based on 24 bins
 - a bin is a "time window", representing the amount of photons back on the sensor during a certain period of time.
- A detected object will cover ~3 bins
 - 3 bins per object, equivalent to ~80cm.
 The typical depth separation between objects has to be at least 80 cm, to detect 2 different objects.
- The histogram allows cover glass crosstalk immunity beyond 80 cm, and dynamic smudge compensation

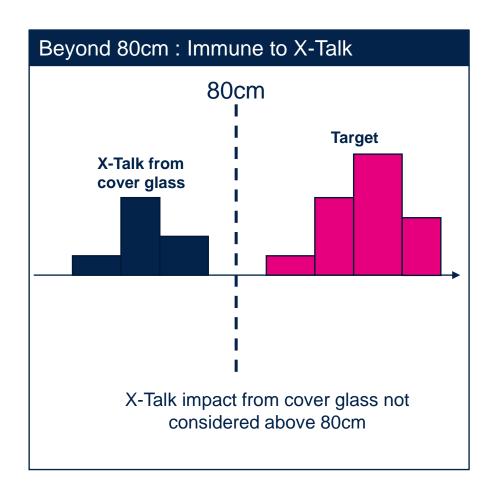


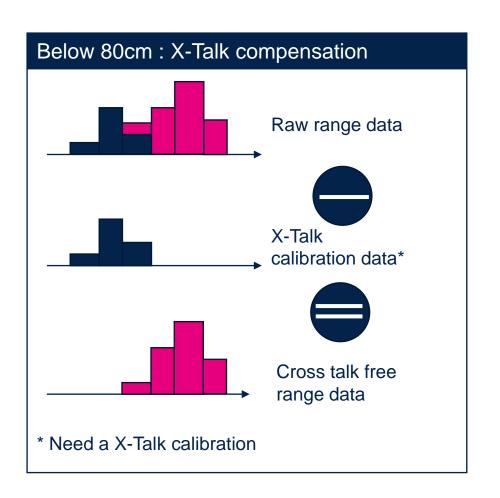




X-Talk immunity principle Accurate distance whatever the smudge or X-Talk



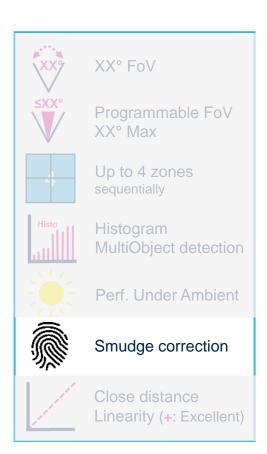


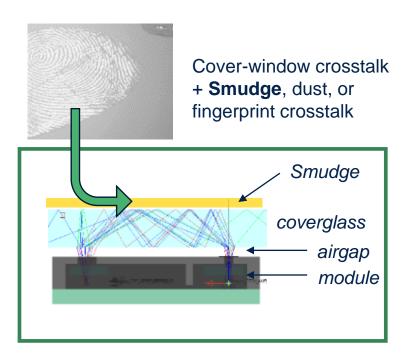




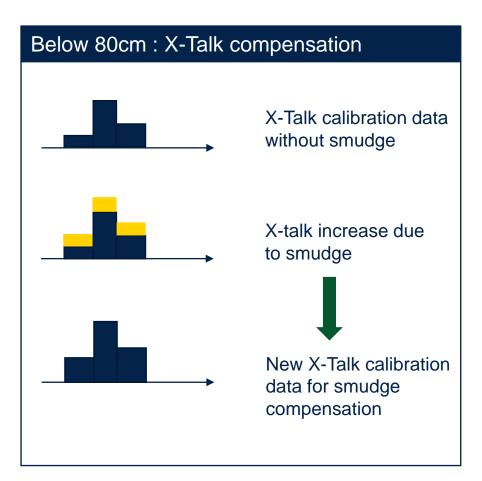


Smudge detection VL53L3CX & VL53L1CB





Beyond 80cm, the smudge has no impact on the distance measurement thanks to the histogram.





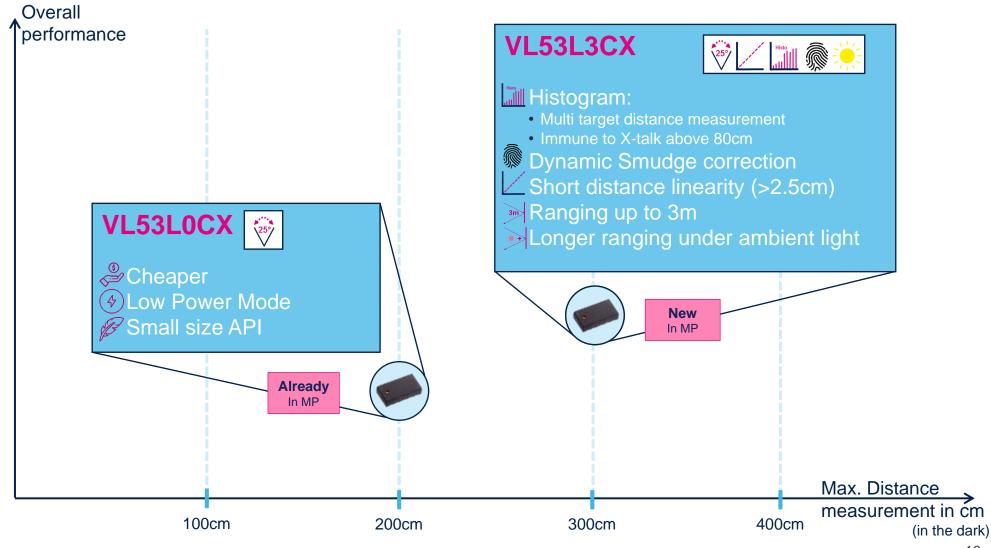
ToF sensors KPIs comparisons





FlightSense™ mass-market roadmap VL53L0CX vs VL53L3CX

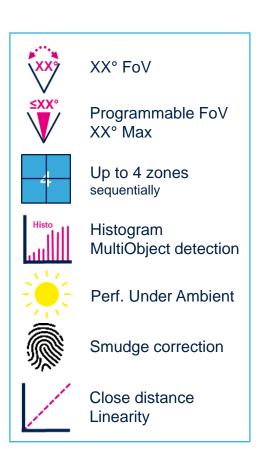


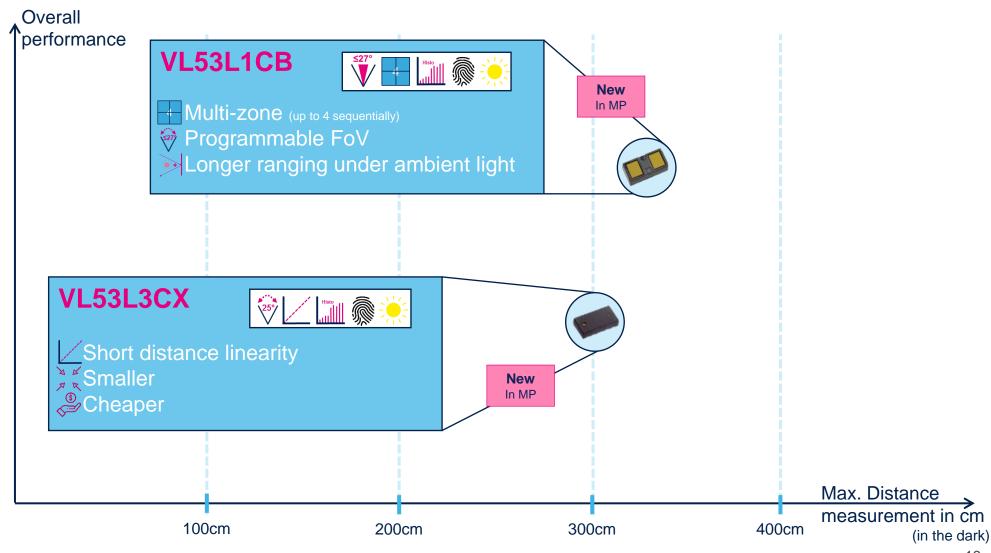






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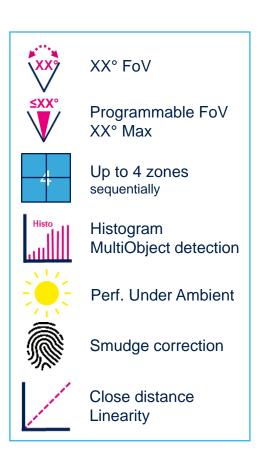


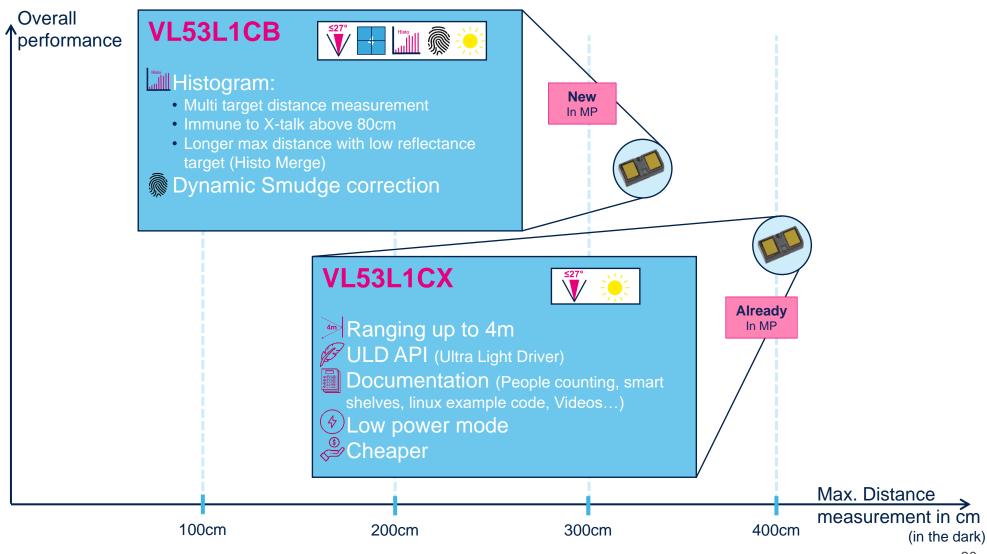






FlightSense™ mass-market roadmap VL53L1CB vs VL53L1CX







New ToF sensors – Focus







Proximity sensor





OLGA: 4.8 x 2.8 x 1 mm

FoV: 25° diagonal

Single zone



Proven technology.

linearity

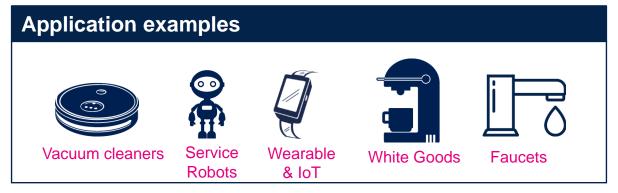
- Robust and accurate proximity detection
- Measures actual distance in cm up to 60cm
- Independent of target reflectance / color
- Fully integrated (near IR 850nm VCSEL emitter, filters, SPAD receiving array, advanced µC)
- Low power (stdby 1uA, active 5mW at 10Hz)
- Complete API package and Android driver
- Laser Class1 device (eye safe)



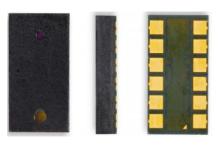


Uses-cases

- Reliable Proximity detection
- User detection to safely power off touch screen or control white goods
- Obstacle detection
- Wall tracking
- Basic gesture







VL6180V1 proximity sensor Technical specification

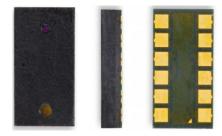
Feature	Detail
Package	Optical LGA12
Size	4.8 x 2.8 x 1 mm
Ranging	Ranging up to 62 cm maximum (dependent on target reflectance and external conditions).
Field of View	25°
Operating voltage (AVDD)	2.6 V to 3 V
Typical power consumption	Hardware Standby (GPIO0 = 0): < 1 μ A SW Standby: < 1 μ A Active ranging average consumption (including VCSEL): 1.7 mA (typical) (1)
Function temperature range	- 20 to 70°C
IR emitter	850 nm
I ² C (Clock / Data)	Up to 400 kHz serial bus
XSHUT (GPIO0) XSHUT (in): HW power down when put at zero	
GPIO1	Information pin: Thresholds or sample ready interrupts





VL6180V1 support on st.com





Documentation

Proximity sensing module

Time-of-Flight proximity sensor and IR emitter two-in-one module

DS9818

User Manuals

- X-CUBE UM
- X-NUCLEO UM



- API (driver)
- GUI for X-NUCLEO

Version

13.0

5.0

Action

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X-CUBE example





VL53L3CX

High-performance proximity sensor, combining short distance linearity & ranging performance

Highlights

- Full FoV ranging: **300cm+** (white target, no IR)
- **High-performance proximity** sensor
- **Excellent short distance linearity**
- Multi-target distance measurement based on ST Histogram patented algorithms
- Immunity to cover glass cross-talk beyond 80cm
- Automatic fingerprint smudge compensation
- Miniature ToF product







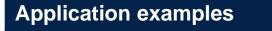
















Service Robots

Industrial

Warehouse

Uses-cases

- Presence user detection
- Obstacle detection
- Accurate distance scanning





VL53L3CX ranging sensor Technical specification

Feature	Detail		
Package	Miniature Optical LGA12		
Size	4.4 x 2.4 x 1 mm - Compatible with VL53L0X		
Ranging	Ranging up to 310 cm (Indoor, under 88% white target reflectance). Up to 290 cm (Indoor, under 54% light grey target reflectance)		
Field of View	25°		
Operating voltage (AVDD)	2.6 V to 3.5 V		
Typical power consumption	Hardware Standby (GPIO0 = 0): < 5 μ A SW Standby: < 6 μ A Active ranging average consumption (including VCSEL): 16 mA (typical) ⁽¹⁾		
Function temperature range	- 20 to 85°C		
IR emitter	940 nm		
I ² C (Clock / Data)	Up to 1 MHz serial bus		
XSHUT (GPIO0)	XSHUT (in): HW power down when put at zero		
GPIO1	Information pin: Thresholds or sample ready interrupts		





VL53L3CX – Ranging performance

Ranging capabilities with a 30 ms ranging operation (Fast mode)

	Indoor (no IR)	Outdoor
White Target 88%	310cm	100cm
Light Grey Target 54%	290cm	70cm
Grey Target 17%	170cm	70cm

Measurement conditions without Cover glass:

- Typical value with a detection rate at 94%
- Targets reflectance used : Grey 17%, Light grey 54%, White (88%)
- Indoor : no Infrared / Outdoor : eq. 5kLux equivalent sunlight (10kcps/SPAD)
- Nominal Voltage (2v8) and Temperature (23°C)
- All distances are for a complete Field of View covered (FOV = 25deg)





VL53L1CB

ToF sensor with lens, for long distance ranging and FoV programing

Highlights

- Full FoV ranging : 320cm+ (white target, no IR)
- SPAD array zone selection (from 4x4 SPADs up to 16x16 SPADs full screen), for FoV control
- SPAD array with Multi-object distance measurement within each zone
- Integrated lens for enhanced return signal, multizone detection and better immunity to IR ambient
- Multi-pass temporal filtering
 - Immunity to cover glass crosstalk beyond 80cm
 - Automatic fingerprint smudge compensation
 - Advanced histogram and object detection



OLGA: 4.9 x 2.5 x 1.56 mm FoV: 27° diagonal max – Programmable FoV Single zone or Multi-zone.











- Presence user detection
- Obstacle detection
- Accurate objects distance scanning

Applications

















VL53L1CB ranging sensor technical specification

Feature	Detail		
Package	Miniature Optical LGA12		
Size	4.9 x 2.5 x 1.56 mm - Compatible with VL53L1X		
Ranging	Up to 320 cm (Indoor, under 88% white target reflectance) with full FoV @60 Hz Up to 250 cm (Indoor, 88% white target reflectance) with 8x8 SPADs ROI @60 Hz		
Field of View	Programmable FoV 27° max		
Operating voltage (AVDD)	2.6V to 3.5V (typ. 2.8V)		
Typical power consumption	Hardware Standby (GPIO0 = 0): < 5 μ A SW Standby: < 6 μ A Active ranging average consumption (including VCSEL): 16 mA (typical) ⁽¹⁾		
Function temperature range	- 20 to 85°C		
IR emitter	940 nm		
I ² C (Clock / Data)	Up to 1 MHz serial bus		
XSHUT (GPIO0)	XSHUT (in): HW power down when put at zero		
GPIO1	Information pin: Thresholds or sample ready interrupts		





VL53L1CB – Ranging performance

Ranging capabilities with a 16 ms ranging operation, under histogram mode

	Indoor (no IR)	Outdoor
White Target 88%	320cm	90cm
Grey Target 17%	230cm	90cm

Measurement conditions without Cover glass:

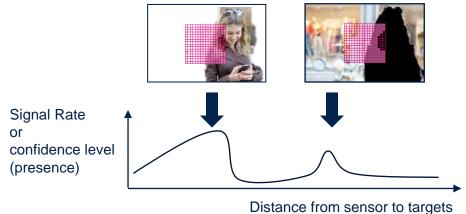
- Typical values
- Targets reflectance used : Grey 17%, White (88%)
- Indoor: no Infrared / Outdoor: eq. 5kLux equivalent sunlight (10kcps/SPAD)
- Nominal Voltage (2v8) and Temperature (23°C)
- All distances are for a complete Field of View covered (FOV = 27deg)
- Detection rate is considered at 94% minimum





Multi-object detection within the FoV Foreground and background separation





VL53L3CX & VL53L1CB perform advanced ranging with direct ToF temporal filter:

- Only possible with direct ToF
- Multiple object detection within the same FoV, up to 60 Hz
 - Ideal for complex scenes management (foreground / background)
 - Distance (in mm) also provided, for single or multi objects
- Immune to cover glass crosstalk beyond 80 cm, and compensation capability below 80 cm
- Real time smudge detection and compensation (On the fly = at each run)

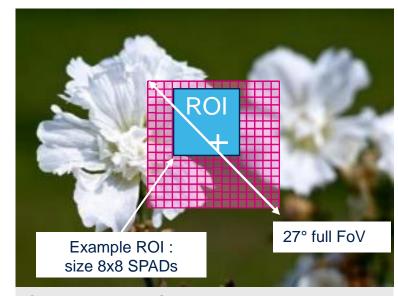




VL53L1CB allows custom FoV selection Region of interest (ROI) selection by the user

ROI zone size	Diagonal FOV covered by the zone
4x4 spads	15° (smallest)
8x8 spads	20°
16x16 spads	27.0 (largest, full FoV)

- No fixed pre-defined size for the sensing array (Region of Interest)
 Unlike other sensors on the market or VL53L0CX
- Sensing array is composed by 16x16 SPADs (Single Photon Avalanche Diodes) that can be selected by customer
- VL53L1 returns the distance to object covered by the ROI FoV
- User defines the 2 corners of the array, through SW driver (API) or the Eval Kit GUI. It could even be rectangular. Only condition is to have a minimum of 4x4 SPADs array.
- The change of ROI can be done "on the fly" by the host



Changing the ROI by software allows to virtually reduce the FoV



Tools ordering codes







Ecosystem and tools

Imaging products supported by ST ecosystem & and expanding optical partnership network

Complete package

X-NUCLEO expansion board



 P-NUCLEO packs with STM32 NUCLEO



Stand-alone Breakout boards





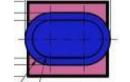
STM32 ODE

- FlightSense™ fully integrated in STM32 Ecosystem
- Compatible with NUCLEO-F401RE and NUCLEO-L476RG
- Referenced on mbed & Arduino platforms

Cover glasses

Oval Cover Glass:

Reference cover glass proposed in NUCLEO development boards



Square Cover Glass:

- 3 spacers 0.25/0.5/1mm to create various air gaps
- Cover glass holder





VL6180V1 ordering codes

Go to www.st.com/VL6180 or contact your usual distributor

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	VL6180V1 sensor	Turing .	VL6180V1NR/1	Delivery in T&R MOQ: 5Ku LT = 16 weeks
	VL6180V1 Nucleo™ Expansion board	8888	X-NUCLEO-6180A1/	To go along with STM32F401 Nucleo board. Comes with 2x 2v8 Breakout boards
	Pack: VL6180V1 Nucleo™ Expansion board + STM32F401 NUCLEO		P-NUCLEO-6180A1/	X-NUCLEO-6180A1 expansion board delivered together with STM32F401 NUCLEO board
life.augmented	VL6180V1 Breakout boards		VL6180-SATEL	2x Breakout boards delivered



VL53L0CX ordering codes

Go to www.st.com/VL53L0X or contact your usual distributor

ON st.com	Item	Picture	Commercial Product (= Order Code)	Comments
	VL53L0CX sensor	GI MENT	VL53L0CXV0DH/1	Delivery in T&R MOQ: 5Ku With protective liner LT = 16 weeks
	VL53L0CX Nucleo™ Expansion board		X-NUCLEO-53L0A1/	To go along with STM32F401 Nucleo board. Comes with cover-glass holder, cover-window, 3x spacers, 2x 2v8 Breakout boards
	Pack: VL53L0CX Nucleo™ Expansion board + STM32F401 NUCLEO		P-NUCLEO-53L0A1/	X-NUCLEO-53L0A1 expansion board delivered together with STM32F401 NUCLEO board
life.augmented	VL53L0CX Breakout boards		53L0-SATEL-I1	2x Breakout boards delivered



VL53L3CX ordering codes

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		VL53L3CX Nucleo™ Expansion board		X-NUCLEO-53L3A2/	To go along with STM32F401 Nucleo board. Comes with cover-glass holder, 2x cover-window samples, 3x spacers, 2x 2v8 Breakout boards
		Pack: VL53L3CX Nucleo™ Expansion board + STM32F401 NUCLEO		P-NUCLEO-53L3A2/	X-NUCLEO-53L3A2 expansion board delivered together with STM32F401 NUCLEO board
life.augmented		VL53L3CX Breakout boards		VL53L3CX-SATEL	2x Breakout boards delivered



VL53L1CX ordering codes

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	VL53L1CX Nucleo™ Expansion board		X-NUCLEO-53L1A1/	To go along with STM32F401 Nucleo board. Comes with cover-glass holder, 2x cover-window samples, 3x spacers, 2x 2v8 Breakout boards
	Pack: VL53L1CX Nucleo™ Expansion board + STM32F401 NUCLEO		P-NUCLEO-53L1A1/	X-NUCLEO-53L1A1 expansion board delivered together with STM32F401 NUCLEO board
life.augmented	VL53L1CX Breakout boards		VL53L1X-SATEL	2x Breakout boards delivered



VL53L1CB ordering codes

Go to www.st.com/VL53L1CB or contact your usual distributor

Item	Picture	Commercial Product (= Order Code)	Comments	
VL53L1CB sensor		VL53L1CBV0FY/1	Delivery in T&R MOQ: 3.6ku With protective liner LT = 16 weeks	ON st.com
VL53L1CB Nucleo™ Expansion board		X-NUCLEO-53L1A2/	To go along with STM32F401 Nucleo board. Comes with cover-glass holder, 3x cover-window samples, 3x spacers, 2x 2v8 Breakout boards	On st.com July 20
Pack: VL53L1CB Nucleo™ Expansion board + STM32F401 NUCLEO		P-NUCLEO-53L1A2/	X-NUCLEO-53L1A2 expansion board delivered together with STM32F401 NUCLEO board	On st.com July 20
VL53L1CB Breakout boards		VL53L1-SATEL	2x Breakout boards delivered	On st.com July 20



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Numerous on-line support tools & a growing set of use-cases webinars and videos



VL53L1X Calibration free dirty environment cover glass solution



Getting Started with VL53L1X ToF sensor



People Counting Using a Single ST Time-of-Flight Sensor (VL53L0CX)



VL53L1X - smart shelves demonstrating programmable region-ofinterest (ROI)

New on YouTube...



Mini LIDAR (9x VL53L1CX)



Reflectometer (VL53L0CX)



FlightSense™ vs. Other proximity sensing technologies





Power consumption

~2.5mW in Std.by @1m

(higher for longer distance)

FlightSense™ vs. other proximity sensing technologies

	Radar	UltraSonic	Conventional IR	ST F light Sense [™]
Size/Weight	Large PCB Novelda: 15 x 4 x 1.5mm with antenna IFX SOLI: ~5.x by 3.x mm	2xToF	Small/Light	Small
Mechanical integration	Complex (antenna) Works through cover if no impact on high freq.	Need hole (impact on ID)	Easy (if all-in-one)	Easy (all in one, reflowable) Need Cover window
FoV	~180deg. (@2m then lower)	~180deg tbc	~25deg	27 to 61deg diagonal
Real distance output	Yes (5.4cm intervals)	No	No	Real distance in mm
Ranging distance	40cm to 9m	20cm to few meters	0cm to 20/80cm (1)	0cm to 4m (1)
Speed	Slow Boot-up and user detection (tbc)	tbc	Boot-up: few ms User detect.: Depends on target reflectance User vs Chair: Not possible	Boot-up: few ms User detect: 20ms @ 1Hz (ranging freq. programmable) User vs Chair distinction: 30s Maxi
Reliability of ranging data	First target detected only May detect through wall Sensitive to object charge	Impacted by wide sound from environment	Impacted by target reflectivity and IR ambient light	Not impacted by target reflectivity Multi target detection Sensitive to IR ambient light

Low

(1) depending on model and conditions

Very Low

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Low

(0.9mW for User detection under

autonomous mode)

Thank you



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