

Diagonal 7.857 mm (Type 1/2.3) 12.3Mega-Pixel CMOS Image Sensor with Square Pixel for Color Cameras

IMX378-AAQH5-C

General description and application

IMX378-AAQH5-C is a diagonal 7.857mm (Type 1/2.3) 12.3 Mega-pixel CMOS active pixel type stacked image sensor with a square pixel array. It adopts Exmor RS™ technology to achieve high speed image capturing by column parallel A/D converter circuits and high sensitivity and low noise image (comparing with conventional CMOS image sensor) through the backside illuminated imaging pixel structure. R, G, and B pigment primary color mosaic filter is employed. By introducing spatially multiplexed exposure technology, high dynamic range still pictures and movies are achievable. It equips an electronic shutter with variable integration time. It operates with three power supply voltages: analog 2.8 V, digital 1.05 V and 1.8 V for input/output interface and achieves low power consumption. In addition, this product is designed for use in cellular phone and tablet pc. When using this for another application, Sony does not guarantee the quality and reliability of product. Therefore, don't use this for applications other than cellular phone and tablet pc. Consult your Sony sales representative if you have any questions.

Functions and Features

- ◆ Back-illuminated and stacked CMOS image sensor Exmor RS™
- ◆ Phase Detection Auto Focus(PDAF)
- ◆ Spatially Multiplexed Exposure High Dynamic Range (SME-HDR) mode with raw data output.
- ◆ High signal to noise ratio (SNR).
- ◆ Full resolution @60fps(Normal/SME-HDR) 4K2K @60fps(Normal/SME-HDR) 1080p @240fps(Tentative) 720p@280fps(Normal) Full resolution @40fps(12bit Normal)
- ◆ Output video format of RAW12/10/8, COMP8.
- ◆ Low Power Streaming Mode
- ◆ Pixel binning readout and V sub-sampling function.
- ◆ Independent flipping and mirroring.
- ◆ CSI-2 serial data output (MIPI 2lane/4lane, Max. 2.1Gbps/lane, D-PHY spec. ver. 1.2 compliant)
- ◆ 2-wire serial communication.
- ◆ Two PLLs for independent clock generation for pixel control and data output interface.
- ◆ Dynamic Defect Pixel Correction.
- ◆ Fast mode transition. (on the fly)
- ◆ Dual sensor synchronization operation.
- ◆ 7K bit of OTP ROM for users.
- ◆ Built-in temperature sensor
- ◆ 10-bit/12-bit A/D conversion on chip

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Device Structure

- ◆ CMOS image sensor
- ◆ Image size : Diagonal 7.857 mm (Type 1/2.3)
- ◆ Total number of pixels : 4072 (H) × 3176 (V) approx. 12.93 M pixels
- ◆ Number of effective pixels : 4072 (H) × 3064 (V) approx. 12.47 M pixels
- ◆ Number of active pixels : 4056 (H) × 3040 (V) approx. 12.33 M pixels
- ◆ Chip size : 7.564 mm (H) × 5.476 mm (V)
- ◆ Unit cell size : 1.55 μm (H) × 1.55 μm (V)
- ◆ Substrate material : Silicon

Absolute Maximum Ratings(Tentative)

Item	Symbol	Ratings	Unit	notes
Supply voltage (analog)	VANA	-0.3 to +3.3	V	refer to VSS level
Supply voltage (digital)	VDIG	-0.3 to +1.8	V	
Supply voltage (interface)	VIF	-0.3 to +3.3	V	
Input voltage (digital)	VI	-0.3 to +3.3	V	
Output voltage (digital)	VO	-0.3 to +3.3	V	
Guaranteed Operating temperature	TOPR	-20 to +70	°C	
Guaranteed storage temperature	TSTG	-30 to +80	°C	
Guaranteed performance temperature	TSPEC	-20 to +60	°C	

Recommended Operating Voltage(Tentative)

Item	Symbol	Ratings	Unit	notes
Supply voltage (analog)	VANA	2.8 ± 0.1	V	refer to VSS level
Supply voltage (digital)	VDIG	1.05 ± 0.1	V	
Supply voltage (interface)	VIF	1.8 ± 0.1	V	

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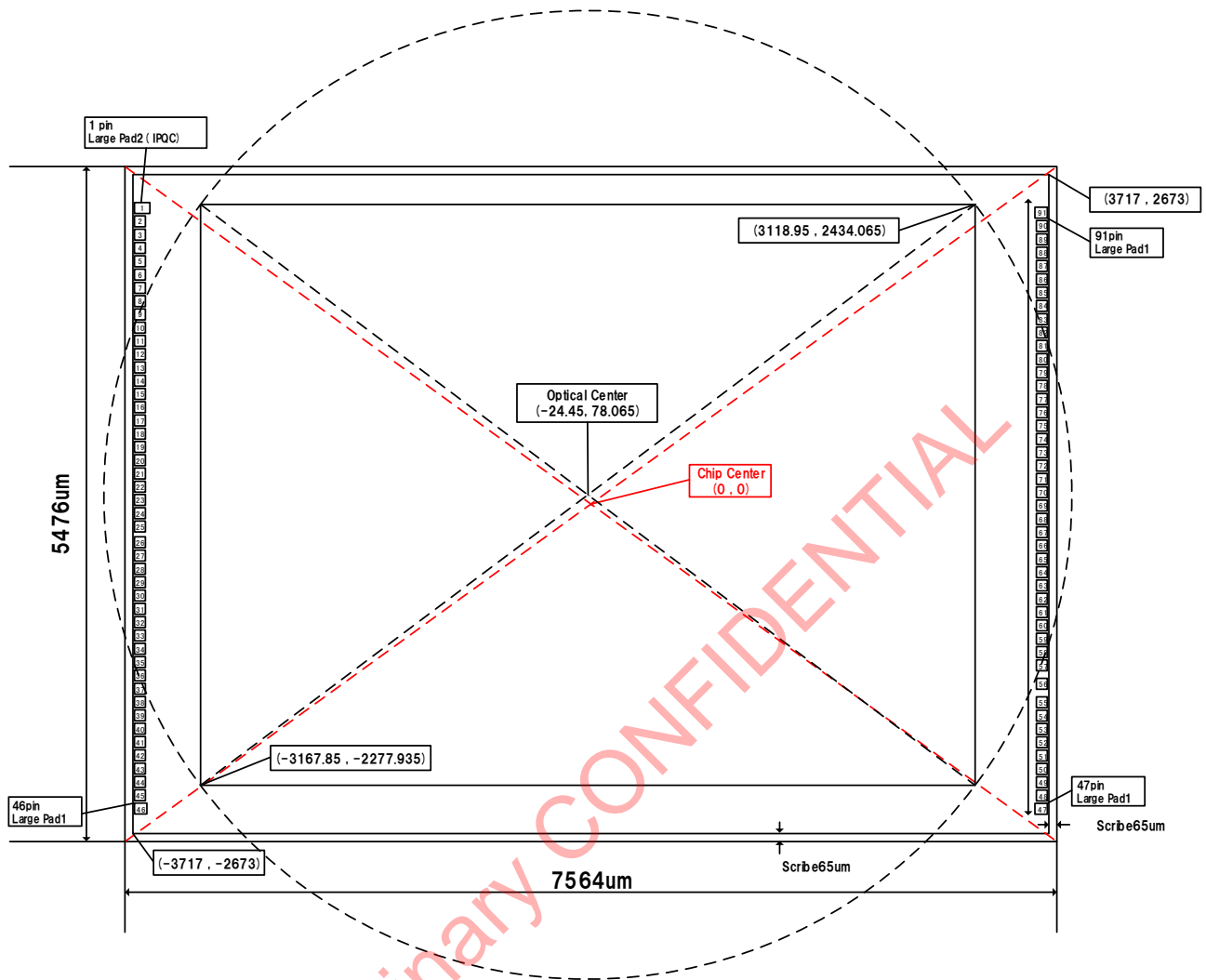
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1. Chip Center and Optical Center



*1 Actual size of a chip will be smaller than indicated when dicing (scribe) is taken into account.

*2 Some PADs are located in image circle.

Figure 1 Chip Center and Optical Center (x and y coordinates in µm)

2. Pin Coordinates

Table 1 Pin Coordinates

No.	Symbol	X	Y
1	VDDHSN1	-3642.00	2411.88
2	VSSHNS1	-3660.25	2303.88
3	VDDLSC1	-3660.25	2195.88
4	VSSLSC1	-3660.25	2087.88
5	VDDLSC2	-3660.25	1979.88
6	VSSLSC2	-3660.25	1871.88
7	VDDMIF1	-3660.25	1760.11
8	VSSLSC3	-3660.25	1652.59
9	DMO3P	-3660.25	1545.07
10	DMO3N	-3660.25	1437.55
11	DMO1P	-3660.25	1330.03
12	DMO1N	-3660.25	1222.51
13	VDDLSC3	-3660.25	1114.99
14	VDDLIF1	-3660.25	1007.47
15	VSSLSC4	-3660.25	899.95
16	DCKP	-3660.25	792.43
17	DCKN	-3660.25	684.91
18	VSSLSC5	-3660.25	577.39
19	VDDLIF2	-3660.25	469.87
20	VDDLSC4	-3660.25	362.35
21	DMO2P	-3660.25	254.83
22	DMO2N	-3660.25	147.31
23	DMO4P	-3660.25	39.79
24	DMO4N	-3660.25	-67.73
25	VSSLSC6	-3660.25	-175.25
26	VDDLSC5	-3660.25	-312.00
27	VSSLSC7	-3660.25	-420.00
28	VDDMIO1	-3660.25	-528.00
29	INCK	-3660.25	-636.00
30	SWTCK	-3660.25	-744.00
31	SWDIO	-3660.25	-852.00
32	XCLR	-3660.25	-960.00
33	VDDLPL1	-3660.25	-1068.00
34	VSSLPL1	-3660.25	-1176.00
35	VDDLPL2	-3660.25	-1284.00
36	VSSLPL2	-3660.25	-1392.00
37	VDDLNC1	-3660.25	-1500.00
38	VSSLCN1	-3660.25	-1608.00
39	VDDLNC2	-3660.25	-1716.00
40	VSSLCN2	-3660.25	-1824.00
41	VDDLSC6	-3660.25	-1932.00
42	VSSLSC8	-3660.25	-2040.00
43	VDDHCM1	-3660.25	-2148.00
44	VDDSUB	-3660.25	-2256.00
45	VSSHNS2	-3660.25	-2364.00
46	VDDHSN2	-3654.25	-2472.00
47	VDDHSN3	3654.25	-2472.00
48	VSSHNS3	3660.25	-2364.00
49	VDDHCM2	3660.25	-2256.00
50	VDDLSC7	3660.25	-2148.00
51	VSSLSC9	3660.25	-2040.00
52	VDDMIO2	3660.25	-1932.00
53	GPO	3660.25	-1824.00
54	TENABLE	3660.25	-1716.00
55	SLASEL	3660.25	-1608.00
56	SCL	3660.25	-1474.00
57	SDA	3660.25	-1336.00
58	VSSLCN3	3660.25	-1224.00
59	VDDLNC3	3660.25	-1116.00
60	VSSLCN4	3660.25	-1008.00
61	VDDLNC4	3660.25	-900.00
62	VDDLSC8	3660.25	-792.00
63	VSSLSC10	3660.25	-684.00
64	VDDLSC9	3660.25	-576.00
65	VSSLSC11	3660.25	-468.00
66	TVCSIN	3660.25	-360.00
67	TVMON	3660.25	-252.00
68	VSSHAN	3660.25	-144.00
69	VDDHAN	3660.25	-36.00
70	VPI	3660.25	72.00
71	VRL	3660.25	180.00
72	VRLRD	3660.25	288.00
73	VSSHNS4	3660.25	396.00
74	VDDHSN4	3660.25	504.00
75	SDI	3660.25	612.00
76	SDO	3660.25	720.00
77	SCK	3660.25	828.00
78	SCSB	3660.25	936.00
79	GYINT	3660.25	1044.00
80	TEST3/SDOC	3660.25	1152.00
81	VDDMIO3	3660.25	1260.00
82	VSSLSC12	3660.25	1368.00
83	VDDLSC10	3660.25	1476.00
84	TEST2/SCKC	3660.25	1584.00
85	TEST1/CSBC	3660.25	1692.00
86	FSTROBE	3660.25	1800.00
87	XVS	3660.25	1908.00
88	VSSLSC13	3660.25	2016.00
89	VDDLSC11	3660.25	2124.00
90	VSSHNS5	3660.25	2232.00
91	VDDHSN5	3654.25	2340.00

3. Pin Description

Table 2 Pin Description(Tentative)

No.	Symbol	I/O	A/D	Description	Remarks
1	VDDHSN1	Power	A	VANA power supply	
2	VSSHNS1	GND	A	VANA GND	
3	VDDLSC1	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
4	VSSLSC1	GND	D	VDIG GND	
5	VDDLSC2	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
6	VSSLSC2	GND	D	VDIG GND	
7	VDDMIF1	Power	D	VIF power supply	
8	VSSLSC3	GND	D	VDIG GND	
9	DMO3P	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA+)
10	DMO3N	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA-)
11	DMO1P	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA+)
12	DMO1N	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA-)
13	VDDLSC3	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
14	VDDLIF1	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
15	VSSLSC4	GND	D	VDIG GND	
16	DCKP	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (CLK+)
17	DCKN	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (CLK-)
18	VSSLSC5	GND	D	VDIG GND	
19	VDDLIF2	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
20	VDDLSC4	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
21	DMO2P	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA+)
22	DMO2N	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA-)
23	DMO4P	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA+)
24	DMO4N	O	D	Digital output	MIPI output (DATA-)
25	VSSLSC6	GND	D	VDIG GND	
26	VDDLSC5	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
27	VSSLSC7	GND	D	VDIG GND	
28	VDDMIO1	Power	D	VIF power supply	
29	INCK	I	D	Digital input	
30	SWTCK	I	D	Digital input	NC(pull-down)
31	SWDIO	I/O	D	Digital I/O	NC(pull-up)
32	XCLR	I	D	Digital input	Chip clear (pull-up)
33	VDDLPL1	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
34	VSSLPL1	GND	D	VDIG GND	
35	VDDLPL2	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
36	VSSLPL2	GND	D	VDIG GND	
37	VDDL CN1	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
38	VSSL CN1	GND	D	VDIG GND	
39	VDDL CN2	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
40	VSSL CN2	GND	D	VDIG GND	
41	VDDLSC6	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
42	VSSLSC8	GND	D	VDIG GND	
43	VDDHCM1	Power	A	VANA power supply	
44	VDDSUB	Power	A	VANA power supply	
45	VSSHNS2	GND	A	VANA GND	
46	VDDHSN2	Power	A	VANA power supply	
47	VDDHSN3	Power	A	VANA power supply	
48	VSSHNS3	GND	A	VANA GND	
49	VDDHCM2	Power	A	VANA power supply	
50	VDDLSC7	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
51	VSSLSC9	GND	D	VDIG GND	
52	VDDMIO2	Power	D	VIF power supply	
53	GPO	O	D	Digital output	
54	TENABLE	I	D	Digital input	NC (pull-down)
55	SLASEL	I	D	Digital input	I2C slave address select Pull-down
56	SCL	I/O	D	Digital I/O	I ² C pin

No.	Symbol	I/O	A/D	Description	Remarks
57	SDA	I/O	D	Digital I/O	I ² C pin
58	VSSLCN3	GND	D	VDIG GND	
59	VDDL CN3	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
60	VSSLCN4	GND	D	VDIG GND	
61	VDDL CN4	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
62	VDDLSC8	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
63	VSSLSC10	GND	D	VDIG GND	
64	VDDLSC9	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
65	VSSLSC11	GND	D	VDIG GND	
66	TVCSIN	I	A	Analog input	NC
67	TVMON	O	A	Analog output	NC
68	VSSHAN	GND	A	VANA GND	
69	VDDHAN	Power	A	VANA power supply	
70	VPI	Power	A	Analog input	
71	VRL	Minus	A	Analog input	
72	VRLRD	Minus	A	Analog input	
73	VSSH SN4	GND	A	VANA GND	
74	VDDH SN4	Power	A	VANA power supply	
75	SDI	I/O	D	Digital I/O	Gyro data input (or pull-down) (Tentative)
76	SDO	O	D	Digital output	Gyro data output (or NC) (Tentative)
77	SCK	O	D	Digital output	Gyro control clock (or NC) (Tentative)
78	SCSB	O	D	Digital output	Gyro chip select (or NC) (Tentative)
79	GYINT	I	D	Digital input	Gyro interrupt (or pull-down) (Tentative)
80	TEST3/SDOC	I	D	Digital input	pull-down(Tentative)
81	VDDMIO3	Power	D	VIF power supply	
82	VSSLSC12	GND	D	VDIG GND	
83	VDDLSC10	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
84	TEST2/SCKC	I	D	Digital input	pull-down(Tentative)
85	TEST1/CSBC	I	D	Digital input	pull-down(Tentative)
86	FSTROBE	O	D	Digital output	Flash strobe
87	XVS	I/O	D	Digital I/O	for dual sync
88	VSSLSC13	GND	D	VDIG GND	
89	VDDLSC11	Power	D	VDIG power supply	
90	VSSH SN5	GND	A	VANA GND	
91	VDDH SN5	Power	A	VANA power supply	

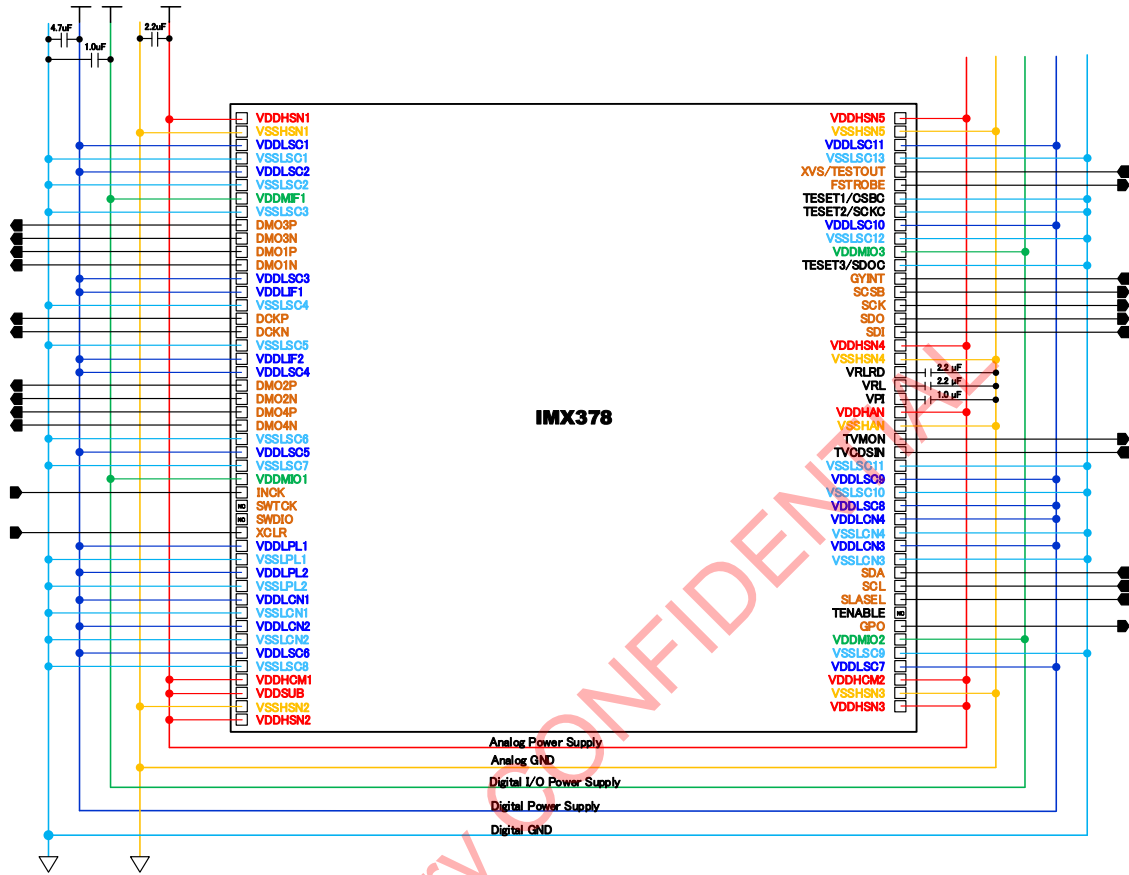
4. Input / Output Equivalent Circuit

Symbol	Equivalent Circuit	Symbol	Equivalent Circuit
INCK		XCLR SLASEL	
SCL SDA		XVS	
GPO FSTROBE SDO SCK SCSB		GYINT	
SDI			

VIF : 1.8 V power supply
 DGND : VDIG GND

Figure 2 Input / Output Equivalent Circuit

5. Peripheral Circuit Diagram



Note : When fixing the potential of the chip back side, connect it to GND.

Note: The capacitor values and parts count used for decoupling of power supply lines in this diagram are determined only with Sony's testing environment. The capacitor values and/or parts count for power line decoupling may have to be reviewed and optimized by each manufacture depending on their design.

Note: If you need OIS combined system, it is required TEST1/CSBC, TEST2/SCKC, and TEST3/SDOC terminals connect with OIS.

Figure 3 Peripheral Circuit (Recommended schematics)

6. Functional Description

6-1 System Outline

IMX378-AAQH5-C is a CMOS active pixel type image sensor which adopts the Exmor RS™ technology to achieve high sensitivity, low noise, and high speed image capturing. It is embedded with backside illuminated imaging pixel, low noise analog amplifier, column parallel A/D converters which enables high speed capturing, digital amplifier, image binning circuit, timing control circuit for imaging size and frame rate, CSI2 image data high speed serial interface, PLL oscillator, and serial communication interface to control these functions. When Gyro function is enabled, Gyro control block in IMX378-AAQH5-C is processed based on the input data from Gyro IC. Several additional image processing functions and peripheral circuits are also included for easy system optimization by the users.

A onetime programmable memory is embedded in the chip for storing the user data. It has 7 K-bit for users, 16 K-bit as a whole.

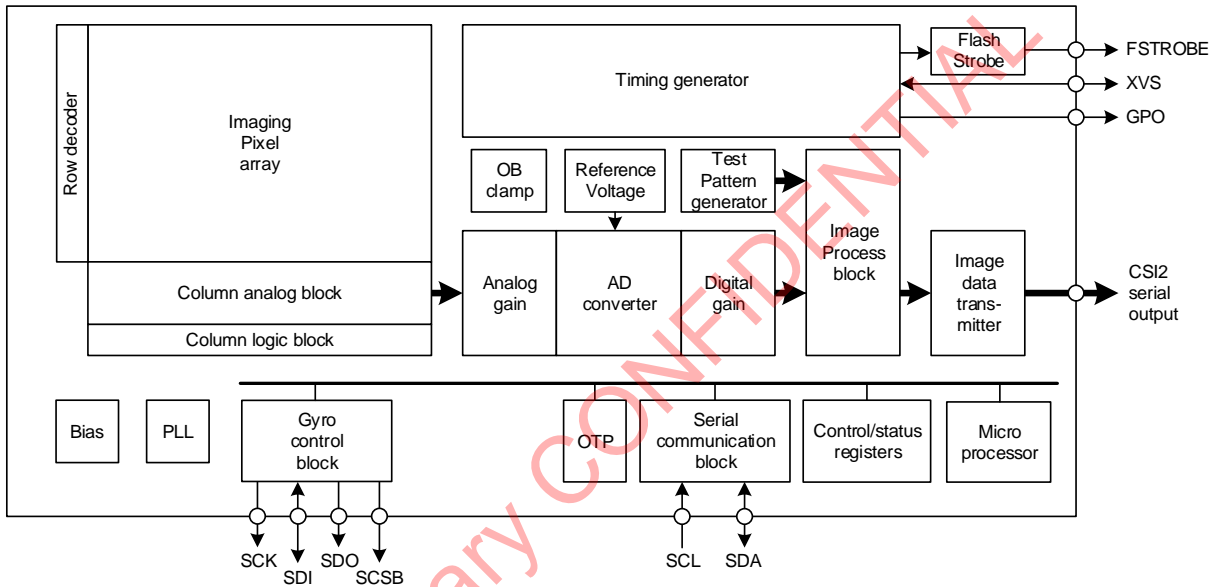


Figure 4 Overview of functional block diagram

6-2 Control register setting by the serial communication

The IMX378-AAQH5-C can use the 2-wire serial communication method for sensor control. These specifications are described for sensor control using the 2-wire serial communication as follows. See Application Notes for more details of each function beyond the following description.

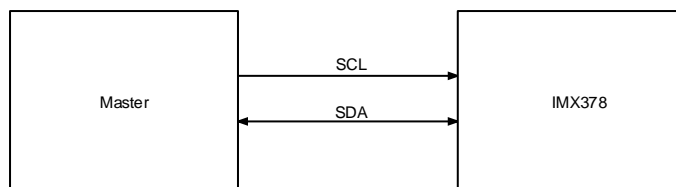


Figure 5 2-wire serial communication

6-2-1 2-wire Serial Communication Operation Specifications

The 2-wire serial communication method conforms to the Camera Control Instance (CCI). CCI is an I2C fast-mode compatible interface, and the data transfer protocol is I2C standard.

This 2-wire serial communication circuit can be used to access the control-registers and status-registers of IMX378-AAQH5-C .

Table 3 Description of 2-wire Serial Communication Pins

pin name	description
SDA	Serial data input/output pin
SCL	Serial clock input pin

The control registers and status registers of IMX378-AAQH5-C are mapped on the 16-bit address space and the register categories shown as below. Detail register information is shown in Register Map.

Table 4 Specification of register address map for 2-wire serial communication

	address range	description
I ² C register	0x0000 - 0x0fff	Configuration register Read Only and Read/Write Dynamic register
	0x1000 - 0x1fff	Reserved
	0x2000 - 0x2fff	Reserved
	0x3000 - 0xffff	Manufacture specific register

6-2-2 Communication Protocol

2-wire serial communication supports a 16-bit register address and 8-bit data message type.

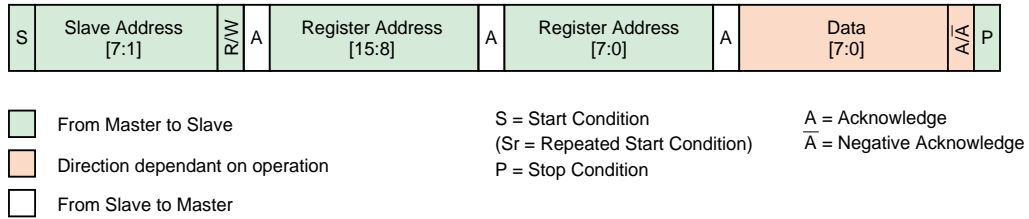
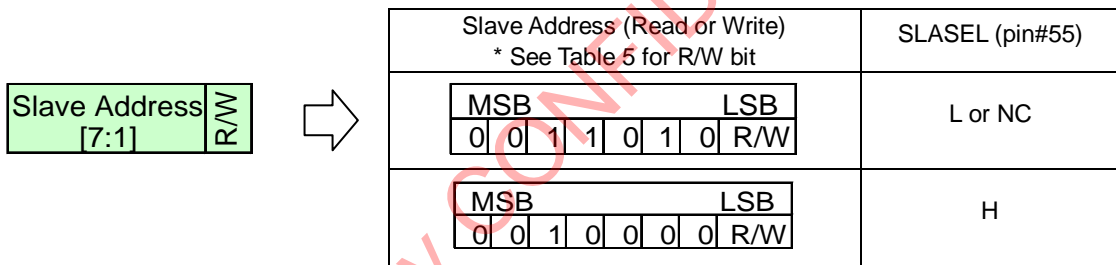


Figure 6 2-wire serial communication protocol

IMX378-AAQH5-C has a default slave address shown as below.
 The slave address is selectable by pin connection of SLASEL.
 When called by the selected slave address, serial communication interface is activated.
 Duplication of the address on the same bus must be prevented.
 *For other slave address options, refer to Application Note.



R/W shows the direction of communication.

Figure 7 Slave address

Table 5 R/W bit

R/W bit	direction of communication
0	Write (Master → Sensor)
1	Read (Sensor → Master)

6-3 Clock generation and PLL

IMX378-AAQH5-C equips embedded PLL to generate the necessary internal clocks and CSI2 transmission clocks. Set the related registers according to the operation condition. See Application Notes for more details of each function.

6-3-1 Clock System Diagram(Tentative)

IMX378-AAQH5-C is equipped with two PLL, One outputs VTCK for image processing, the other is OPCK for MIPI output.

Based on the clock that is input in the range of 6-27MHz, output of 1800-2100MHz can be of the PLL for VTCK, PLL of OPCK for is capable of outputting 1200-2100MHz.

It is possible to divide the range of TBD of the PLL VTCK, and to multiply in the range of TBD.

It is possible to divide the range of TBD of the PLL OPCK, and to multiply in the range of TBD.

Typically, IMX378-AAQH5-C can be driven from the dual PLL mode to operate the both of PLLs, but it also supports single PLL mode to move only one side of the PLL.

In PLL single mode, PREPLLCK_IOP_DIV and PLL_IOP_MPY are ignored..

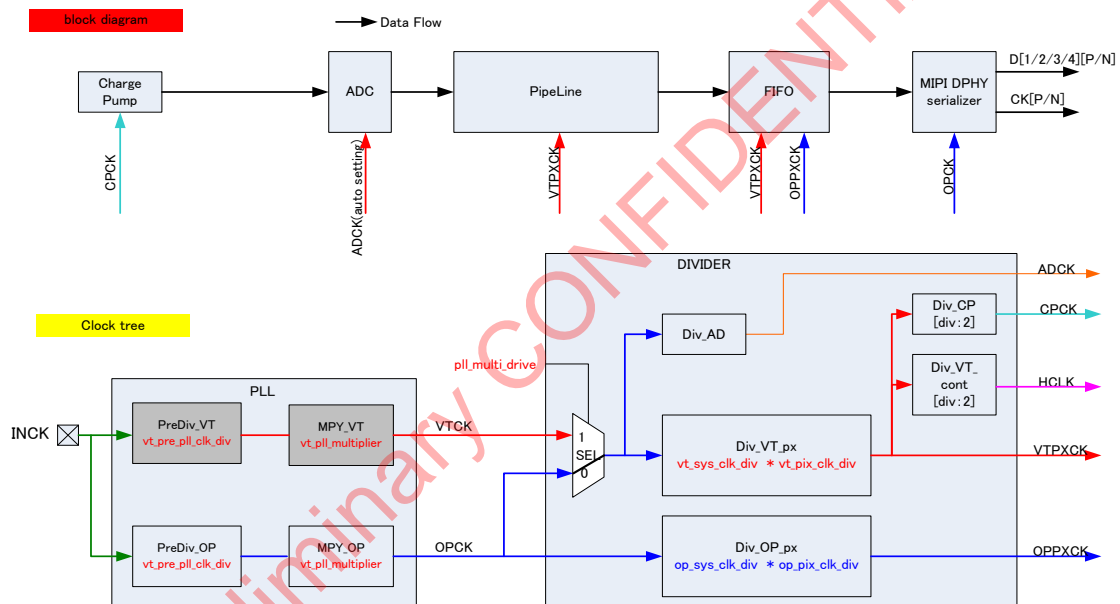


Figure 8 Clock System Diagram (PLL single mode)

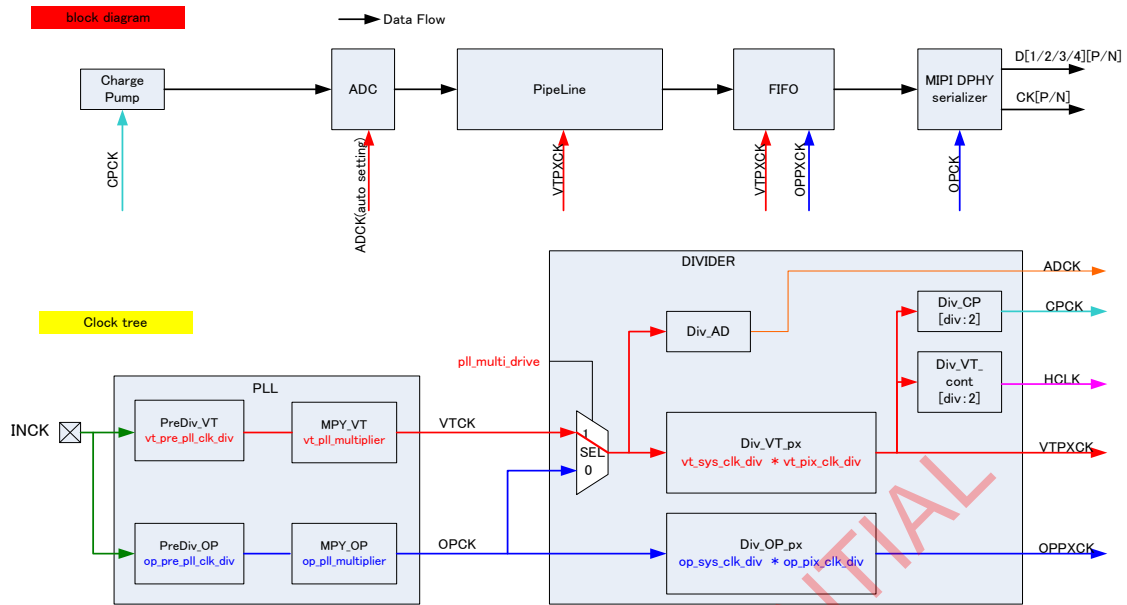


Figure 9 Clock System Diagram (PLL dual mode)

6-4 Description of operation clocks

The followings are general descriptions for each clock. See Application Note for more detail.

6-4-1 INCK

INCK is an external input clock (6 to 27MHz). See “AC characteristics” for electrical requirements to INCK.

6-4-2 VTCK, OPCK(PLL output)

These clocks are the root of all the operation clocks in IMX378-AAQH5-C and it designates the data rate. DCKP/DCKN; CSI2 interface clock is generated from OPCK by dividing into TBD frequency since the interface is operated in double data rate format.

6-4-3 VTPXCK Clock

The clock for internal image processing is used as the base of integration time, frame rate, and etc.

6-4-4 OPPXCK Clock

The clock for internal image processing is designating the pixel rate and etc.

6-5 Image Readout Operation

By setting the parameters of PLL, image size, start/end position of the imaging area, direction of reading image, binning, shutter mode, integration time, gain, and output format via 2-wire serial communication, IMX378-AAQH5-C outputs the image data.

See Application Notes for more details of each function.

6-5-1 Physical alignment of imaging pixel array

The figure below shows the physical alignment of the imaging pixel array with pin #1 located at the upper left corner.

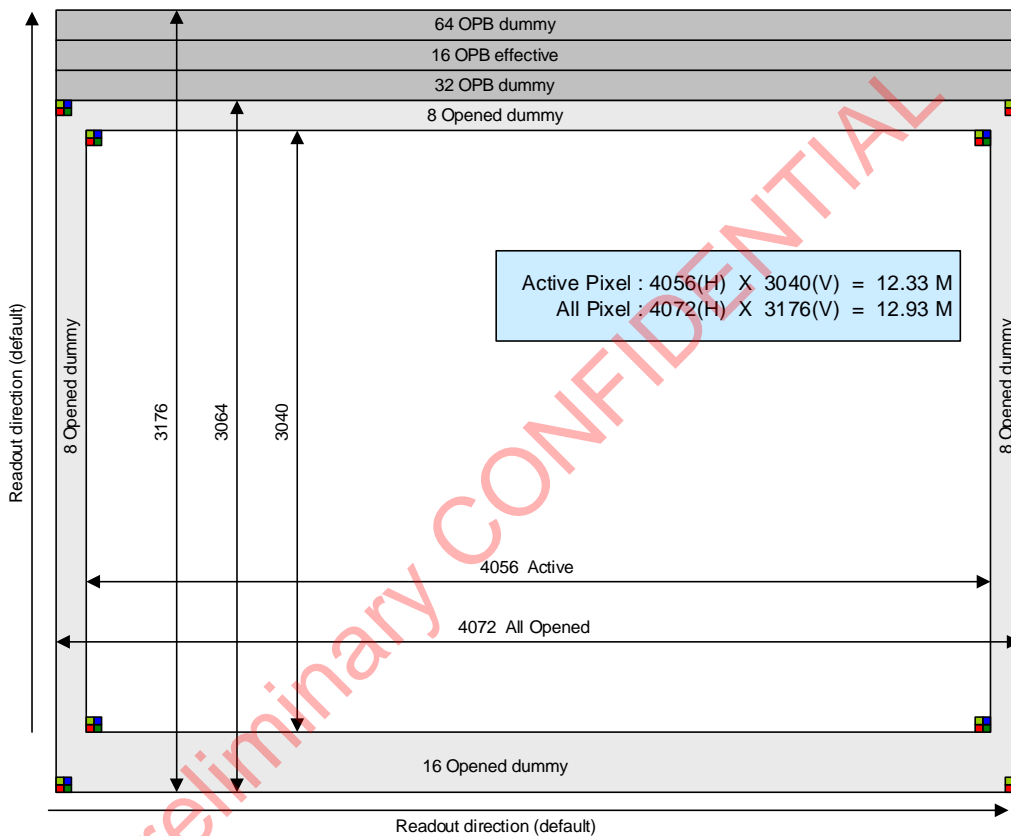


Figure 10 physical alignment of the imaging pixel array

6-5-2 Color coding and order of reading image data

The original color filter arrangement of the sensor is shown in the figure below. Gr and Gb are the G signals shown at the same line as R signals and B signals, respectively. The line with R & Gr signals and the line with Gb & B signals are output one after the other alternatively.

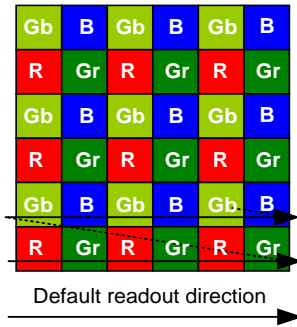


Figure 11 Color coding alignment

6-6 Output Image Format

This is the output image diagram of full pixel output mode, Image data is output from the upper left corner of the diagram.

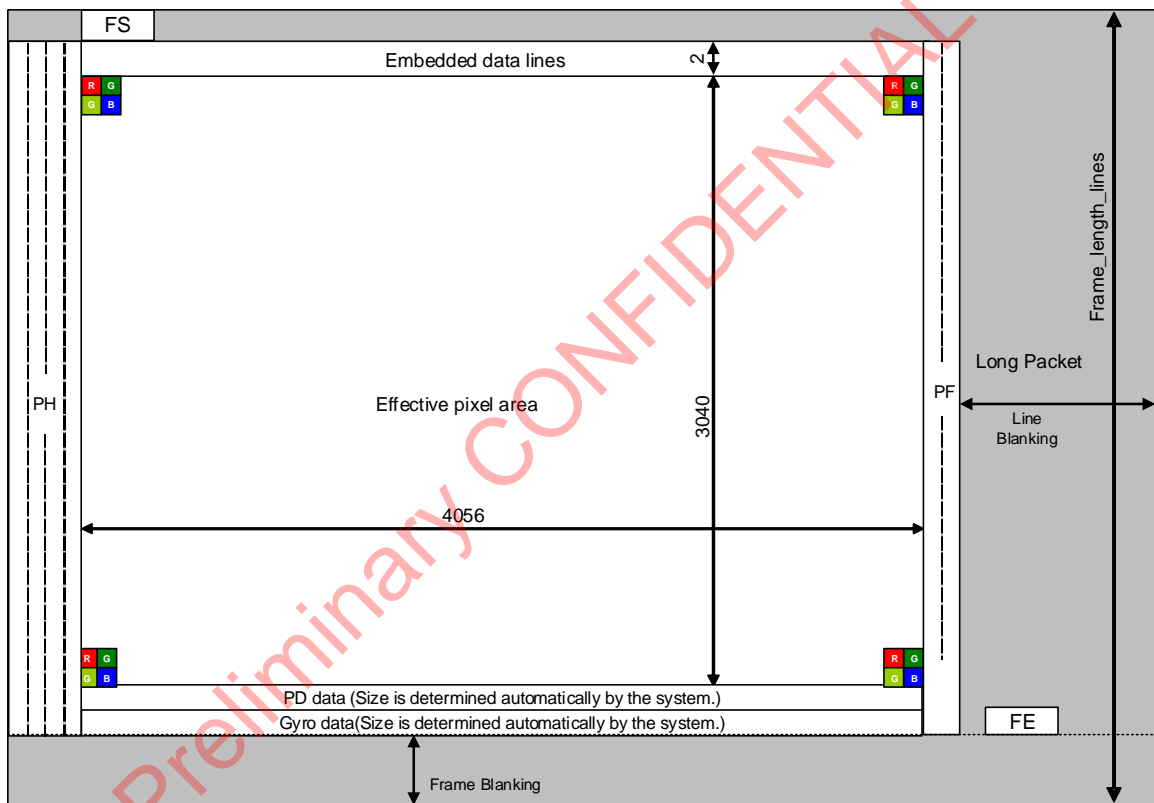


Figure 12 Full pixel output mode data structure

6-6-1 Embedded Data Line control

It is possible to output certain 2-wire serial register contents on the 2 lines just after the FS sync code of the frame. The corresponding registers are indicated by “EDL” column of the Register Map. An unfixed value is output when not outputting embedded data.

See Application Notes for contents and output sequence of Embedded Data Lines.

6-6-2 Image size of mode

IMX378-AAQH5-C can capture and output full size, cropped/scaled image in combination with the normal mode. Examples are shown in the table below. Definitions of each parameter are shown in the below figure.

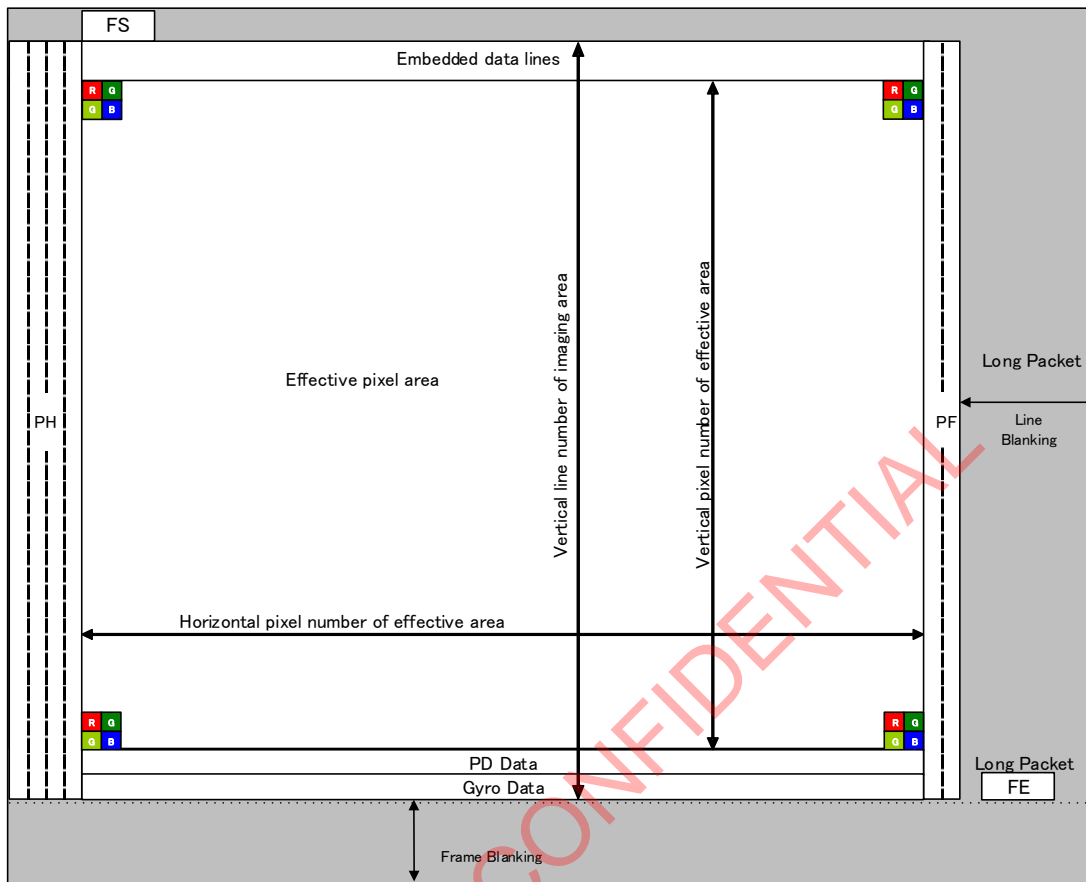


Figure 13 Image size parameter definition

Table 6 modes and image sizes(Tentative)

		Modes									
		Full resolution 10bit		Full resolution SME-HDR		Full resolution 12bit		2 Binning (V:1/2, H:1/2)		2 Binning + 2 Sub sampling (V:1/4, H:1/2)	
Number of vertical lines in imaging area		3044		3044		3044		1524		764	
Number of horizontal pixels in effective area		4056		4056		4056		2028		2028	
Number of lines and start position		Start position	Number of lines	Start position	Number of lines	Start position	Number of lines	Start position	Number of lines	Start position	Number of lines
Name of the areas	Frame start	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Embedded data lines	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
	Number of vertical pixels in effective area	3	3040	3	3040	3	3040	3	1520	3	760
	PD data	3043	1	3043	1	3043	1	1523	1	763	1
	Gyro Data	3044	1	3044	1	3044	1	1524	1	764	1
	Frame end	3044	1	3044	1	3044	1	1524	1	764	1

6-6-3 Description about operation mode(Tentative)

IMX378-AAQH5-C has five modes that All-pixel, binning (V:1/2, H:1/2) , binning (V:1/4, H 1/2), HDR(All-pixels) and All-pixel(12bit).

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6-6-4 Image area control capabilities

As control function for image's viewing area and /or image size, IMX378-AAQH5-C has capability of analog crop, digital crop, scaling and output crop. The relation of image output size and the register is shown below.

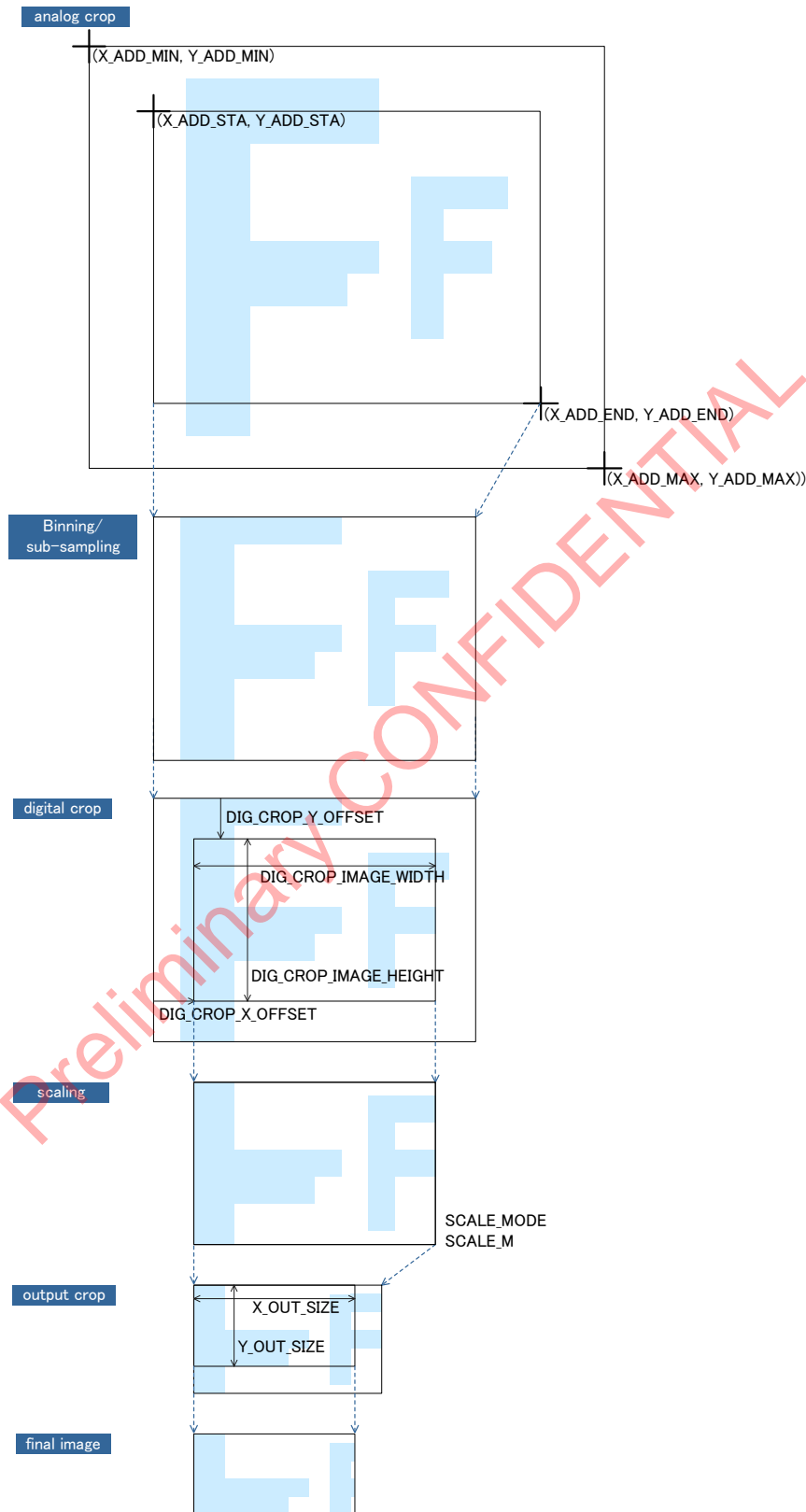


Figure 14 image area control capabilities

Readout Start Position

Default readout position of IMX378-AAQH5-C starts from the lower left when PIN1 is placed at the upper left corner. Because the lens will invert the image both vertically and horizontally, the proper image can be archived when PIN1 is placed at the upper left corner.

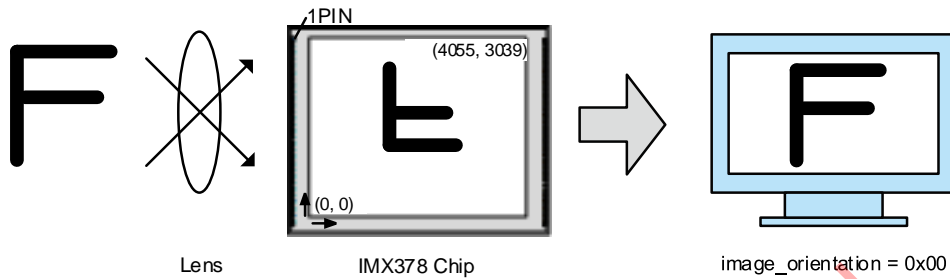


Figure 15 Readout start position

Vertical flip and horizontal mirror readout modes can be specified by the register below. And when readout start and end positions are matching the readout size, the same area is displayed when flipping/mirroring the image. When changing the readout direction, the color of first readout pixel (R/Gr/Gb/B) also changes with it.

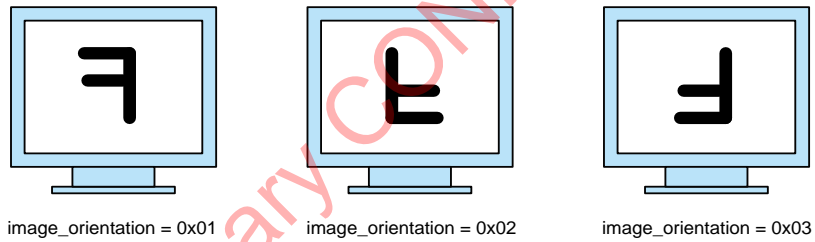


Figure 16 Read out image for each combination of flip and mirror

6-7 Gain setting(Tentative)

IMX378-AAQH5-C can apply analog gain on photo-electron signal and digital gain on digital signal after ADC. Range of settable range is as follows.

Table 7 Range of Gains

	Max.	Note
Analog Gain	24dB(TBD)	Maxium Analog gain may be 27dB by the result of evaluation.
Digital Gain	24dB	

6-8 Image compensation function

There are some additional functions in sensor image pipeline. Use-case may be chosen in terms of trade-off for power consumption and image quality for example.

See Application Notes for more details of each function.

6-8-1 Defect Pixel Correction

The defect correction function includes static defect correction and dynamic defect correction.

The static defect correction is to correct the defective pixels according to address data stored in OTP. There is one area for Sony's factory area.

The dynamic defect correction eliminates any critical defects detected on RGB pixel array by estimating from surrounding adjacent pixels value.

6-9 Miscellaneous functions

IMX378-AAQH5-C has the following additional functions to be used for various final products' features.

See Application Notes for more details of each function.

6-9-1 Phase Detection pixel data output for Phase Detection Auto Focus (PDAF)

Phase Detection Auto Focus (PDAF) function realizes the fast auto focus by using the Phase Difference based on the partially masked sensor pixels. Phase Difference is proportional to the lens defocus value, thus user can move the lens to In-Focus Position directly.

6-9-2 Thermal Meter

This function is to measure the thermal data from internal sensor then average it. Measurement results could be read via I2C or EBD data.

6-9-3 Test pattern output and type of test pattern

IMX378-AAQH5-C can output the following test pattern by build-in pattern generator. Test patterns of Solid Color, 100% Color Bar, Fade to Gray Color Bar, PN9 are available. For Solid Color mode, each value of R, Gr, Gb and B is adjustable.

6-9-4 Long Exposure Setting

IMX378-AAQH5-C can achieve a very long exposure time (up to 128 times of 1 vertical period) by simply expanding the vertical blanking time setting.

6-9-5 OTP (One Time Programmable Read Only Memory)

Total of 7K bit of OTP is available for users. The area available for the user totals 14 pages. Among these pages, total 541 Byte (addr: 0 to 540) can be used at the user's discretion.

It is also possible to configure most of 14 pages to be usable at the user's discretion, if LSC data, SPC data and model ID function are not necessary to storage in OTP. See OTP manual for details.

6-9-6 Dual sensor synchronization operation

IMX378-AAQH5-C supports synchronized shooting operation of two image sensors by implementing both slave and master mode for each sensor. To enable this feature, master/slave must be set for each sensor by software control method.

6-9-7 Flash light control sequence

IMX378-AAQH5-C can internally generate the control pulse assuming to trigger the flash light emission and output from the external pins (FSTROBE).

6-9-8 Monitor terminal settings

IMX378-AAQH5-C can output 4 internal signals (H Sync/V Sync/Flash strobe/OIS pulse) via monitor terminals. The monitor terminals mean the following three (3) terminals, such as FSTROBE (86 pin), GPO (53 pin) and XVS (87 pin).

6-10 Image signal interface

6-10-1 MIPI transmitter

IMX378-AAQH5-C outputs image signal by CSI2 high speed serial interface consisted of one pair of clock line and four pairs of data line. See MIPI Alliance Standard for Camera Serial Interface2 (CSI-2) version 1.2 and MIPI Alliance Specification for D-PHY version 1.2 for details.

Because signal is transmitted by differential pair, impedance (generally 100 Ω) between differential pair near the receiver side during HS mode is required. Otherwise, select receiver with build-in impedance between differential pair. Different delay time of differential pairs may reduce the input timing margin of ISP device, which leads to malfunction. Therefore, delay time within and among differential pairs must be as similar as possible in layout.

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7. How to operate

7-1 Power on Reset

IMX378-AAQH5-C does not have the built in “Power On Reset” function.
 The XCLR pin is set to “LOW” and the power supplies are brought up. Then the XCLR pin should be set to “High” after INCK supplied.

7-2 Power on sequence

7-2-1 Power on slew rate

Maximum slew rate (mV/us) is specified for each power supply to avoid oscillation during power on.

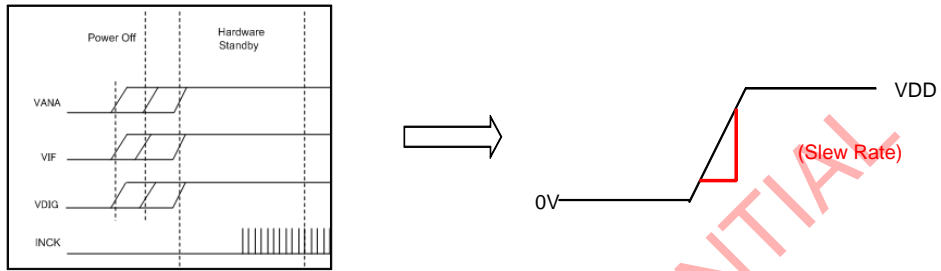


Figure 17 Power on slew rate

Table 8 Limitation on power-on slew rate

Power Supplies	Slew Rate			Comment
	Min	Max	Unit	
VANA, VIF, VDIG		50	mV/μs	

7-2-2 Startup sequence with 2-wire serial communication (external reset)

Follow the power supply start up sequence as below.

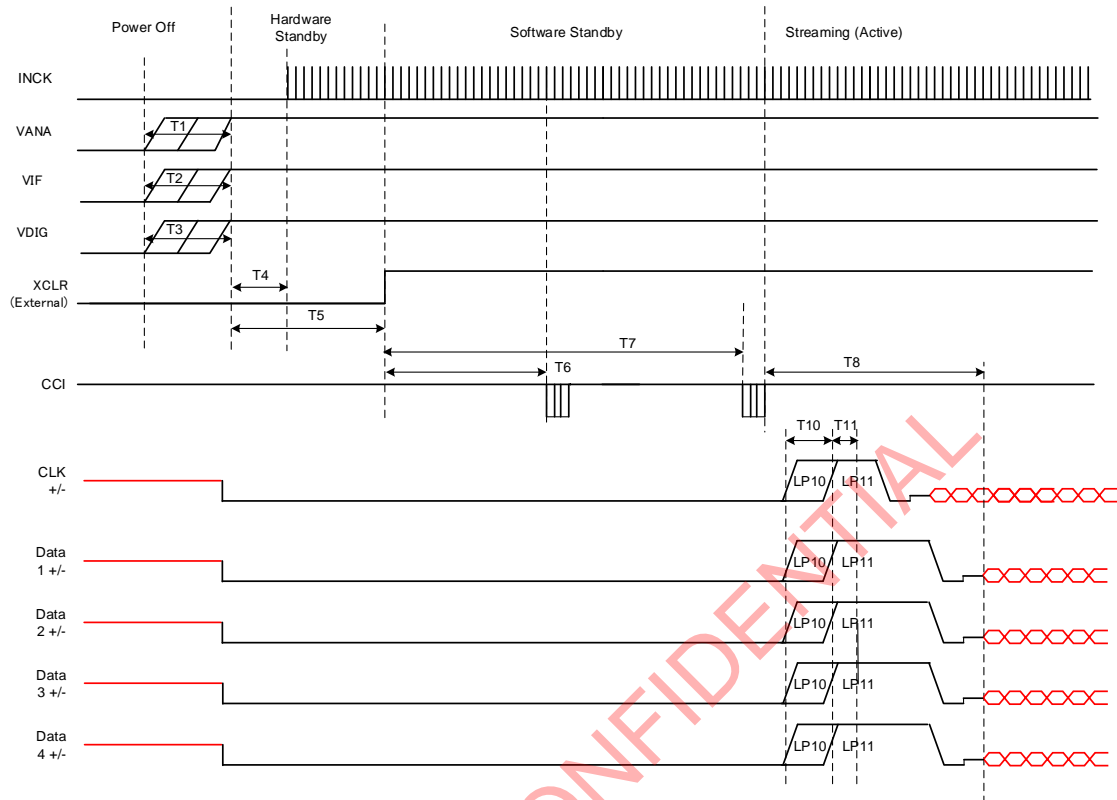


Figure 18 Startup sequence with 2-wire serial communication (external reset)

* Presence of INCK during Power Off is acceptable despite of above chart.

Table 9 Startup sequence timing constraints (2-wire serial communication mode with external reset)

Item	Label	Min.	Max.	Unit	Comment
VANA rising – VANA ON	T1	VANA and VDIG and VIF may rise in any order.		μs	Slew rate of VANA, VDIG and VIF (0%-100%): Max50 mv/us
VDIG rising – VDIG ON	T2			μs	
VIF rising – VIF ON	T3			μs	
VANA and VDIG and VIF rising - INCK start	T4	0		μs	Presence of INCK during Power off is acceptable
VANA and VDIG and VIF rising - XCLR rising	T5	0		ms	After T1,T2 and T3
INCK start and XCLR rising till CCI Read version ID register wait time	T6	0.6		ms	
INCK start and XCLR rising till Send Streaming Command wait time (To complete reading all parameters from NVM)	T7	8		ms	
Start of first streaming from Sending Streaming Command.	T8		4.0 ms + The delay of the coarse integration time value		
DPHY power up	T10	1	1.1	ms	
DPHY init	T11	100	110	μs	

Note) XCLR needs to be Low until all power supplies complete power-on

7-3 Power down sequence

7-3-1 Power down sequence with 2-wire serial communication (external reset)

Follow the power down sequence below.

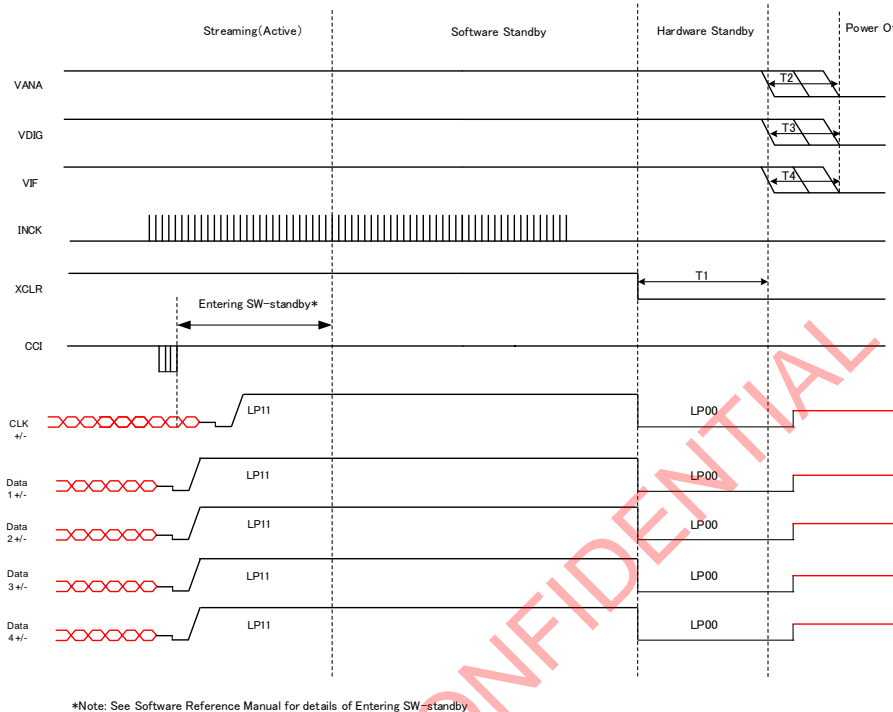


Figure 19 Power down sequence with 2-wire serial communication (external reset)

Table 10 Power down sequence timing constraints (2-wire serial communication mode with external reset)

Item	Label	Min.	Max.	Unit	Comment
XCLR Neg-edge - VANA (VDIG or VIF) fall	T1	0		μs	Presence of INCK during Power Off is acceptable.
Sequence free of VANA falling and VDIG falling and VIF falling	T2,T3,T4		VANA and VDIG and VIF may fall in any order.	μs	

7-4 Register Map

See Register Map.

8. Electrical Characteristics

The Electrical Characteristics of the IMX378-AAQH5-C is shown below

8-1 DC characteristics(Tentative)

Table 11 DC Characteristics

Item	Pins	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Supply voltage	VDDSUB VDDHCM1,2 VDDHSN1,2,3,4,5 VDDHAN	VANA		2.7	2.8	2.9	V
	VDDLGN1,2,3,4 VDDLSC1 - 11 VDDLIF1,2 VDDLPL1,2	VDIG		0.95	1.05	1.15	V
	VDDMIO1,2,3	VIF		1.7	1.8	1.9	V
Digital input voltage	SDA SCL	VIH		0.7VIF		2.9	V
		VIL		-0.3		0.3VIF	V
Digital input voltage	XCLR, INCK, GYINT, SDI, SLASEL	VIH		0.65VIF		VIF + 0.3	V
		VIL		-0.3		0.35VIF	V
Digital output voltage	SDA	VOH		VIF-0.4			V
		VOL				0.4	V
Digital output voltage	GPO, SDO, SCSB, FSTROBE	VOH		VIF-0.4			V
		VOL				0.4	V

8-2 AC Characteristics

8-2-1 Master Clock Waveform Diagram

8-2-1-1 INCK Square Waveform Input Specifications

Input specifications are shown below when square-wave signal is input directly into the external pin INCK.

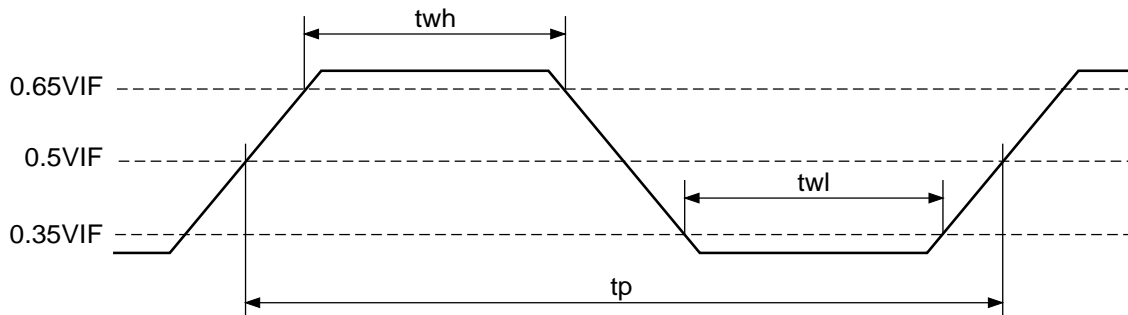


Figure 20 Master Clock Square Waveform Input Diagram

Table 12 Master Clock Square Waveform Input Characteristics

PARAMETER	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
INCK clock frequency	f_{sck}	6		27	MHz
INCK clock period	t_p	37.0		166.7	ns
INCK low level width	t_{wl}	0.4 t_p		0.6 t_p	ns
INCK high level width	t_{wh}	0.4 t_p		0.6 t_p	ns
INCK jitter	T_{jitter}			600	ps

8-2-1-2 INCK Sine Waveform Input Specifications

IMX378-AAQH5-C does not support the “AC coupled connection”.
Therefore, there is no description of AC characteristics

8-2-2 PLL block characteristics

Electrical characteristics of PLL block is shown below.

Table 13 PLL block characteristics (VT system)

Item	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Note
Input frequency range	6.0		27.0	MHz	
Input frequency range of phase comparator	6.0		12.0	MHz	
VCO frequency range	1800		2100.0	MHz	
Output frequency range	1800		2100.0	MHz	
Settling time			1000	μ s	

Table 14 PLL block characteristics (OP system)

Item	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Note
Input frequency range	6.0		27.0	MHz	
Input frequency range of phase comparator	6.0		12.0	MHz	
VCO frequency range	1200		2100.0	MHz	
Output frequency range	1200		2100.0	MHz	
Settling time			1000	μ s	

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8-2-3 Definition of settling time of PLL block

After start operation, the oscillation frequency of PLL output transits from 0 Hz to target frequency then gradually become stable. The duration for oscillation frequency becomes within 5 % of the target frequency is defined as “settling time”.

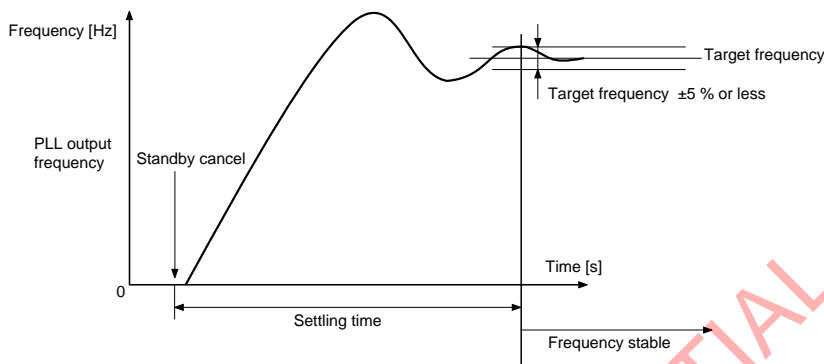


Figure 21 Definition of settling time

8-2-4 2-wire serial communication block characteristics

2-wire serial communication characteristics are shown below.

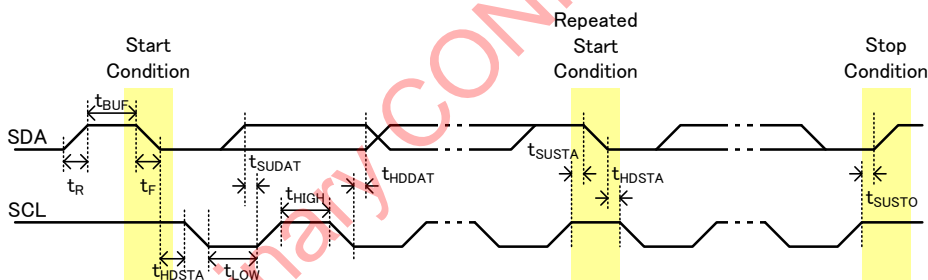


Figure 22 2-wire serial communication block specification

Table 15 2-wire serial communication block specification

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min. (Fast-modePlus)	Max. (Fast-mode Plus)	Unit
Low level input voltage	V_{IL}		-0.5	$0.3V_{IF}$	V
High level input voltage	V_{IH}		$0.7V_{IF}$	2.9	V
Low level output voltage	V_{OL1}	$V_{IF} > 2\text{ V}$, Sink 3 mA	0	0.4	V
	V_{OL2}	$V_{IF} < 2\text{ V}$, Sink 3 mA	0	$0.2V_{IF}$	V
Output fall time	t_{of}	Load 10 pF – 400 pF, $0.7\text{ V}_{IF} \rightarrow 0.3\text{ V}_{IF}$		250 (120)	ns
Input current	I_I	$0.1\text{ V}_{IF} \rightarrow 0.9\text{ V}_{IF}$	-10	10	μA
SDA I/O capacitance	$C_{I/O}$			10	pF
SCL Input capacitance	C_I			10	pF

Table 16 2-wire serial communication block AC specification

Parameter	Symbol	Min. (Fast-mode Plus)	Max. (Fast-mode Plus)	Unit
SCL clock frequency	f_{SCL}	0	400 (1000)	kHz
Rise time (SDA and SCL)	t_R	—	300 (120)	ns
Fall time (SDA and SCL)	t_F	—	300 (120)	ns
Hold time (start condition)	t_{HDSTA}	0.6 (0.26)	—	μs
Setup time (rep.-start condition)	t_{SUSTA}	0.6 (0.26)	—	μs
Setup time (stop condition)	t_{SUSTO}	0.6 (0.26)	—	μs
Data setup time	t_{SUDAT}	100 (50)	—	ns
Data hold time	t_{HDDAT}	0	—	μs
Bus free time between Stop and Start condition	t_{BUF}	1.3 (0.5)	—	μs
Low period of the SCL clock	t_{LOW}	1.3 (0.5)	—	μs
High period of the SCL clock	t_{HIGH}	0.6 (0.26)	—	μs

Note) Fast-mode Plus supports only available with INCK ≥ 8.0 MHz

8-2-5 Gyro Control Interface

Gyro Control Interface supports Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI). (TBD)
Gyro Control Interface characteristics are shown below.

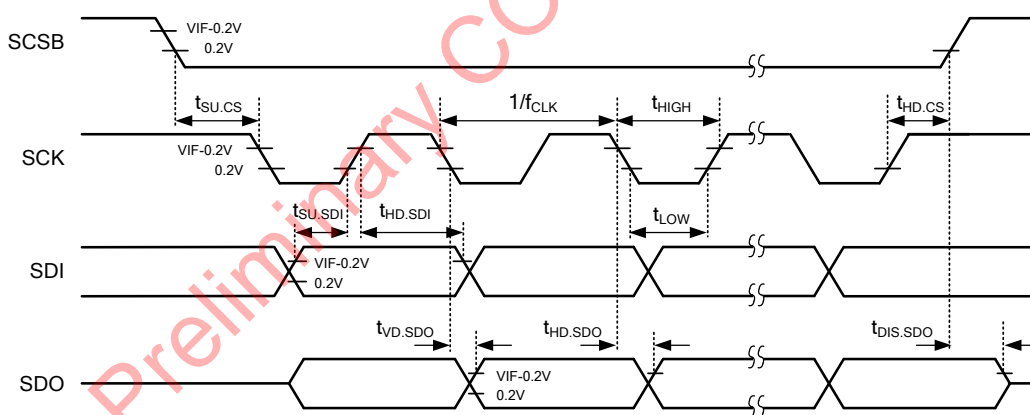


Figure 23 2-wire serial communication block specification

Table 17 2-wire serial communication block AC specification

Item	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Remarks
SCK Clock Frequency	f_{CLK}	-	-	1	MHz	
SCLK Low Period	t_{LOW}	500	-	-	ns	
SCLK High Period	t_{HIGH}	500	-	-	ns	

CS Setup Time	t_{SU_CS}	500	-	-	ns	
CS Hold Time	t_{HD_CS}	500	-	-	ns	
SDI Setup Time	t_{SU_SDI}	11	-	-	ns	
SDI Hold Time	t_{HD_SDI}	7	-	-	ns	
SDO Valid Time	t_{VD_SDO}	-	-	100	ns	
SDO Hold Time	t_{HD_SDO}	4	-	-	ns	
SDO Output Disable Time	t_{DIS_SDO}	-	-	50	ns	
CS high time between transactions	t_{BUF}	-	940	-	μs	

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8-2-6 Current consumption and standby current

Table 18 Current consumption and standby current

(30 frame/s, $V_{ANA} = 2.8\text{ V}$, $V_{DIG} = 1.05\text{ V}$, $V_{IF} = 1.8\text{ V}$, $T_j = 60\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$)

Item	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Remarks
Current consumption (analog)	I_{ANA}		TBD	TBD	mA	
Current consumption (digital)	I_{DIG}		TBD	TBD	mA	Full-reso, function off
Standby current (analog)	I_{STBANA}			TBD	uA	XCLR : Low fixed INCK :stop
Standby current (digital)	I_{STBDIG}			TBD	mA	XCLR : Low fixed INCK :stop
Standby current (IF)	I_{STBIF}			TBD	uA	XCLR : Low fixed INCK :stop

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9. Spectral Sensitivity Characteristic

(Includes neither lens characteristics nor light source characteristics.)

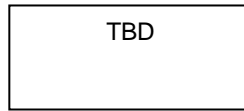


Figure 24 Spectral sensitivity characteristics

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10. Image Sensor Characteristics

10-1 Image Sensor Characteristics

Table 19 Image Sensor Characteristics

(30 frame/s, $V_{ANA} = 2.8\text{ V}$, $V_{DIG} = 1.05\text{ V}$, $V_{IF} = 1.8\text{ V}$, $T_j = 60\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$)

Item	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Range	Measurement method	Remarks
Sensitivity	S	TBD			LSB	Center	1(*1)	1/120 s storage
Sensitivity ratio	RG	TBD	TBD	TBD		Center	2(*1)	
	BG	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Saturation signal	Vsat	1023			LSB	Zone1	3(*1)	Include OB level (*2)
Video signal shading	SH			TBD	%	Zone2D	4(*1)	Design assurance
Dark signal	Vdt			TBD	LSB	Zone2D	5(*1)	When operation at 15 frame/s

(*1)These refer to the descriptions of the Measurement Methods on Page 40.

The data described at this image sensor characteristics are the measurement standard without base gain setting, and indicates the results evaluated with OB as a reference.

Note 1) These refer to the descriptions of the section “11-4 Measurement Method”.

Note 2) LSB is the abbreviation of Least Significant Bit. 10 bits = 1023 digital is the maximum output code for the output unit. The gain setting (base gain setting) in which the saturation signal output matches with 1023 LSB requires 0[dB] when the OB level is 64 LSB (standard recommended value).

10-2 Zone Definition used for specifying image sensor characteristics

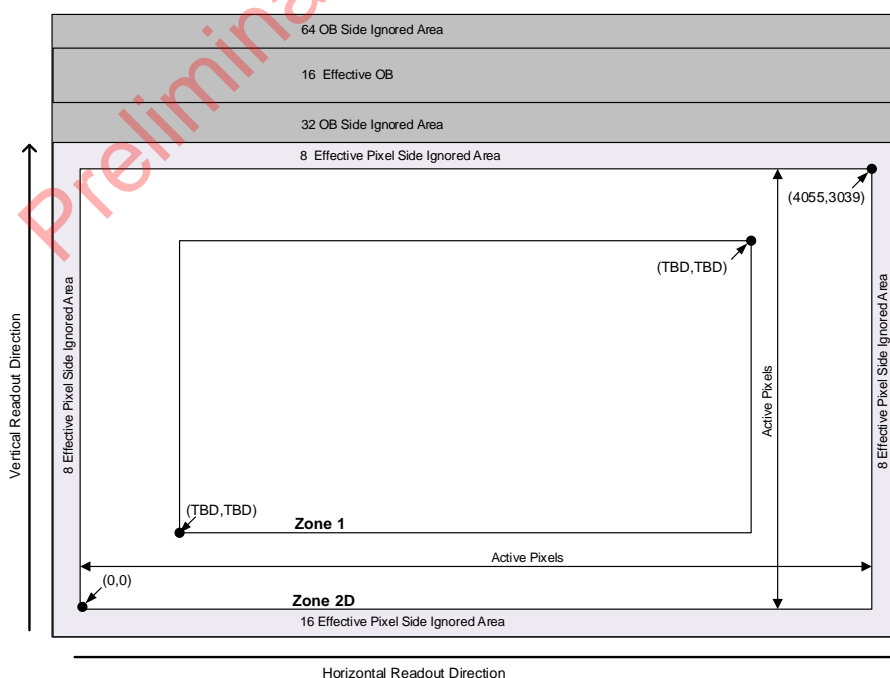


Figure 25 Zone Definition Diagram

11. Measurement Method for Image Sensor Characteristics

11-1 Measurement conditions

The device operation conditions are at the typical values of the bias and clock voltage.

Table 20 Measurement Conditions

Supply voltage	Analog 2.8 V, digital 1.05 V, IF 1.8 V
Clock	INCK 18 MHz

In the following measurements, spot pixels are excluded and, unless otherwise specified, the optical black (OB) level is used as the reference for the signal output, which is taken as the value of the Gr, Gb, R and B digital signal outputs of the measurement system.

As an example of 1 LSB, the typical value is 1 LSB \approx TBD mV in all-pixel output 10-bit operation mode.

11-2 Color Coding of This Image Sensor and Readout

The primary color filters of this image sensor are arranged in the layout shown in the figure below. Gr and Gb denote the G signals on the same line as the R signal and the B signal, respectively. The R signal and Gr signal lines and the Gb signal and B signal lines are output successively.

All pixel signals are output successively in a 1/15 s(Tentative) period.

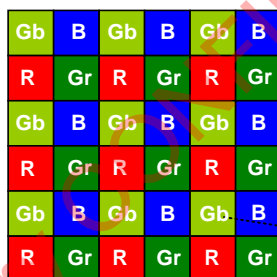


Figure 26 Color coding alignment

11-3 Definition of Standard Imaging Conditions

11-3-1 Standard imaging condition I

Use a pattern box (luminance: 706 cd/m², color temperature of 3200 K halogen source) as a subject. (Pattern for evaluation is not applicable.) Use a testing standard lens with CM500S (t = 1.0 mm) as an IR cut filter and image at F2.8. The luminous intensity to the sensor receiving surface at this point is defined as the standard sensitivity testing luminous intensity.

11-3-2 Standard imaging condition II

A testing lens with CM500S (t = 1.0 mm) is used as an IR cut filter for light source with 3200 K color temperature. The luminous intensity to the sensor receiving surface is adjusted to the luminous intensity level shown in each measurement item by the light source output, lens aperture or storage time control by the electronic shutter.

11-3-3 Standard imaging condition III

A recommended testing lens with CM500S (t = 1.0 mm) is used as an IR cut filter for light source with 3200 K color temperature. The luminous intensity to the sensor receiving surface is adjusted to the luminous intensity level shown in each measurement item by the light source output or storage time control by the electronic shutter.

11-4 Measurement method

11-4-1 Sensitivity

Set the measurement condition to the standard imaging condition I. After the electronic shutter mode with a shutter speed of TBD s, measure the Gr and Gb signal outputs (VGr, VGb) at the center of imaging area, and substitute the values into the following formula.

$$S = \{(VGr + VGb) / 2\} \times (TBD/TBD) \text{ [LSB]}$$

11-4-2 Sensitivity ratio

Set the measurement condition to the standard imaging condition II. After adjusting so that the average value of the Gr and Gb signal output is TBD LSB, measure the R signal output (VR [LSB]), the Gr and Gb signal outputs (VGr, VGb [LSB]) and the B signal output (VB [LSB]) at the imaging area Center in frame readout mode, and substitute the values into the following formulas.

$$VG = (VGr + VGb) / 2$$

$$RG = VR/VG$$

$$RB = VB/VG$$

11-4-3 Saturation signal

Set the measurement condition to the standard imaging condition II. After adjusting the luminous Intensity to 20 times the intensity with the average value of the Gr, Gb signal outputs, TBD [LSB], measure the average value of the Gr, Gb, R and B signal outputs.

11-4-4 Video signal shading

Set the measurement condition to the standard imaging condition III. With the lens diaphragm at F2.8, adjust the luminous intensity so that the average value of the Gr and Gb signal outputs is TBD [LSB]. Then measure the maximum value (Gmax [LSB]) and minimum value (Gmin [LSB]) of the Gr and Gb signal outputs, and substitute the values into the following formula.

$$SH = ((Gmax - Gmin) / Gmax) \times 100 \text{ [%]}$$

11-4-5 Dark signal

Measure the output difference between 1/15 [s] signal output (Va) and 1/15000 or less [s] signal output (Vb) at the device ambient temperature of 60 °C and the device in the light-obstructed state, and calculate the signal output at 1/15 [s] storage by them using the following approximate formula. Then, this is Vdt [LSB].

$$Vdt = (Va - Vb) \times (1/15) / (1/15) - (1/15000) \approx (Va - Vb) \text{ [LSB]}$$

12. Spot Pixel Specification

Table 21 Spot Pixel Specifications

(15 frame/s, VANA = 2.8 V, VDIG = 1.05 V, VIF = 1.8 V, Tj = 60 °C)

Type of distortion	Level Note 1)	Maximum distorted pixels in each zone		Measurement method	Remarks
		Zone2D	Other		
Black or white pixels at high light	$30\% \leq D$	TBD	No evaluation criteria applied	12-3-1	
White pixels in the dark	$TBD (LSB) \leq D$	TBD	No evaluation criteria applied	12-3-2	1/30 storage Note 2)

- Note) 1. D...Spot pixel level.
2. Continuous same color pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction are NG.
 3. Defect pixels are measured with all optional image processing features (DPC,) disabled..
 4. The maximum quantity pixel counts of TBD for Bright Pixels and TBD for Dark Pixels are total of R + Gr + Gb + B individual pixels from any colour channels.
 5. The analog gain for both the Illuminated and Dark defect conditions is 0dB.
 6. The above chart (hereinafter referred to as the "White and Black Pixel Specifications") is the standard only for sorting image sensor products in this specification book (hereinafter referred to as the "PRODUCTS") before shipment from a manufacturing factory. Sony Corporation and its distributors (collectively hereinafter referred to as the "Seller") disclaim and will not assume any liability even if actual number of distorted pixels of the PRODUCTS delivered to you exceeds the maximum number set forth in the White and Black Pixel Specifications. You are solely liable for any claim, damage or liability arising from or in connection with such distorted pixels. If the Seller separately has its own product warranty program for the PRODUCTS (the "Program"), the conditions in this specification book shall prevail over the Program and the Seller shall not assume any liability under the Program to the extent there is contradiction.

12-1 Notice on White Pixels Specifications

After shipment inspection of CMOS image sensors, pixels of CMOS image sensors may be distorted and then distorted pixels may cause white point effects in dark signals in picture images. (Such white point effects shall be hereinafter referred to as "White Pixels.") Cosmic radiation is one of the causes of White Pixels. Unfortunately, it is not possible with current scientific technology for CMOS image sensors to prevent such distorted pixels. It is recommended that when you use CMOS image sensors, you should consider taking measures against White Pixels, such as adoption of automatic compensation systems for White Pixels and establishment of quality assurance standards.

White Pixels may be also caused by alpha radiation, which will be emitted in a process of decay of radioactive isotopes which inevitably exist in the air in minute amounts and may exist in materials or parts of CMOS image sensor devices (e.g. packaging materials, seal glass, wiring materials and IC chips). It is recommended that you should use materials or parts which do not include radioactive isotopes, which are sources of alpha radiation, and consider taking measures, such as adoption of vacuum packaging technologies in order to ensure that the PRODUCTS are not exposed to the air. As the density of radioactive isotopes in the air of the underground space may become thicker than that on the ground, it is highly recommended to ensure the PRODUCTS are not exposed to the air in using or storing the PRODUCTS at the underground space.

[For Your Reference] The Annual number of White Pixels Occurrence Caused by Cosmic Radiation

The data in the below chart shows the estimated annual number of White Pixels occurrence caused by cosmic radiation in a single-story building in Tokyo at an altitude of 0 meters. The data shows estimated number of White Pixels based on records of past field tests calculated taking structures and electrical properties of each device into account. However, the data in the chart is for your reference purpose only, and shall not be construed as part of any CMOS image sensor product specifications which the Seller warrants.

Example of Annual Number of Occurrence

White Pixel Level (in case of integration time = 1/30 s) (Tj = 60 °C)	Annual number of occurrence
TBD LSB or higher	TBD pcs
TBD LSB or higher	TBD pcs
TBD LSB or higher	TBD pcs
TBD LSB or higher	TBD pcs
TBD LSB or higher	TBD pcs

Note 1) The above data indicates the number of White Pixels occurrence when a CMOS image sensor is left for a year.

Note 2) The annual number of White Pixels occurrence fluctuates depending on the CMOS image sensor storage environment (such as altitude, geomagnetic latitude and building structure), time (solar activity effects) and so on. Moreover, there may be statistic errors. Please take notice and understand that this is an example of test data with experiments that have being conducted over a specific time period and in a specific environment.

Note 3) This data does not guarantee the upper limits of the annual number of White Pixels occurrence.

Note 4) As this data does not take occurrence of White Pixels caused by alpha radiation into account, White Pixels are likely to occur at higher value than the rate set forth in such data.

For Your Reference:

The annual number of White Pixels occurrence caused by cosmic radiation at an altitude of 3,000 meters will be from 5 to 10 times higher than that at an altitude of 0 meters because of the density of the cosmic rays. In addition, in high latitude geographical areas such as London and New York, the density of cosmic rays increases due to a difference in the geomagnetic density, so the annual number of White Pixels occurrence caused by cosmic radiation in such areas approximately doubles when compared with that in Tokyo.

12-2 Measurement Method for Spot Pixels

Measure under the standard imaging condition II.

12-3 Spot Pixel Pattern Specifications

12-3-1 Black or white pixels at high light

After adjusting the average value of the Gr/Gb signal output to TBD LSB, measure the local dip point (black pixel at high light, V_{XB}) and peak point (white pixel at high light, V_{XK}) in the Gr/Gb/R/B signal output V_x ($x = Gr/Gb/R/B$), and substitute the values into the following formula.

The TBDLSB does not include the dark level offset of 64. The average value is calculated using the signal level output of Zone 2D.

$$D_K(\text{White Pixel level}) = (V_{XK} / \overline{V_X}) \times 100[\%]$$

$$D_B(\text{Black Pixel level}) = (V_{XB} / \overline{V_X}) \times 100[\%]$$

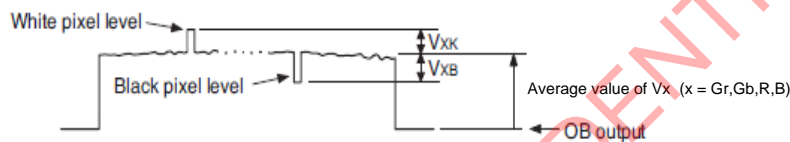


Figure 27 Measurement Method for Spot Pixels

12-3-2 White pixels in the dark

Set the device to a dark setting and measure the local peak point of the signal output waveform using the average value of the dark signal output as a reference.

13. CRA Characteristics of Recommended Lens

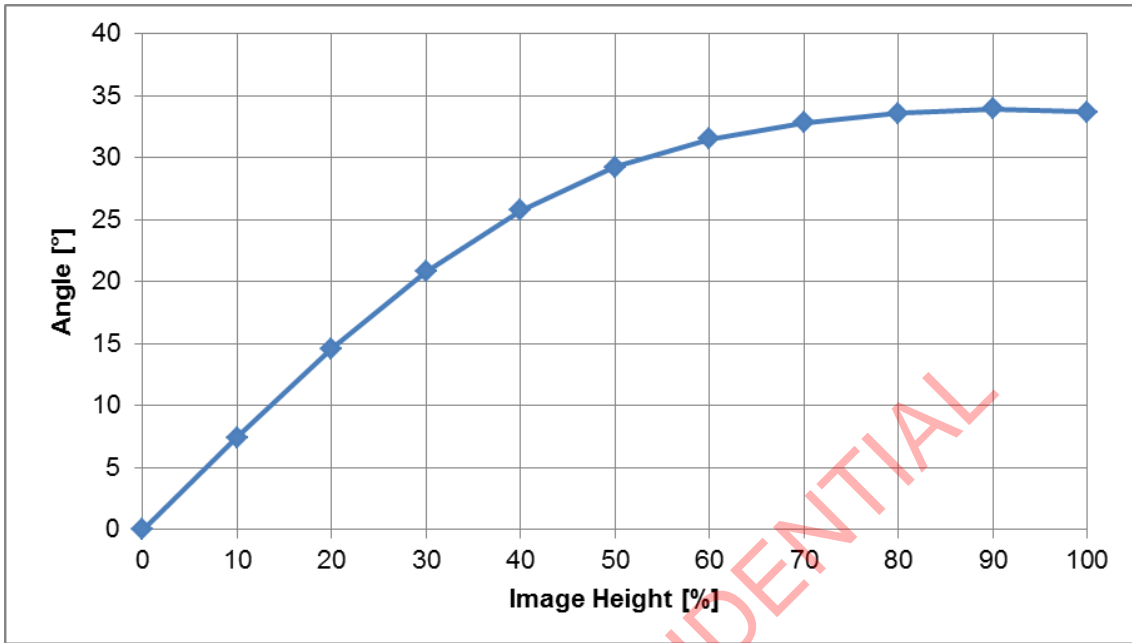


Figure 28 CRA characteristics

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14. Notes on Handling

1. Static charge prevention

Image sensors are easily damaged by static discharge. Before handling be sure to take the following protective measures.

- (1) Either handle bare handed or use non-chargeable gloves, clothes or material.
Also use conductive shoes.
- (2) Use a wrist strap when handling directly.
- (3) Install grounded conductive mats on the floor and working table to prevent the generation of static electricity.
- (4) Ionized air is recommended for discharge when handling image sensors.
- (5) For the shipment of mounted boards, use boxes treated for the prevention of static charges.

2. Protection from dust and dirt

- (1) Perform all work in a clean environment.
- (2) Do not touch the chip surface with hand and make any object contact with it.
- (3) Keep in a dedicated case to protect from dust and dirt. To prevent dew condensation, preheat or precool when moving to a room with great temperature differences.

3. Others

- (1) Do not expose to strong light (sun rays) for long periods, as the color filters of color devices will be discolored.
- (2) Exposure to high temperature or humidity will affect the characteristics. Accordingly avoid storage or use in such conditions.
- (3) This product is precision optical parts, so care should be taken not to apply excessive mechanical shocks or force.
- (4) Reliability assurance of this product should be ignored because it is a bare chip.
- (5) Note that imaging characteristics of the sensor may be affected when approaching strong electromagnetic wave or magnetic field during operation.
- (6) Note that X-ray inspection may damage characteristics of the sensor.
- (7) Note that the sensor may be damaged when using ultraviolet ray and infrared ray on mounting it.
- (8) Note that image may be affected by the light leaked to optical black when using an infrared cut filter that has transparency in near infrared ray area during shooting subjects with high luminance.

15. Notes on Handling (Additional items concerning bare chip mounting of stacked-type CMOS image sensors)

Collet contact is allowed in areas other than the pixel area, bonding pads, scribe area, and chip edge. Contact with areas other than the contact-allowed area may result in problems such as dust emission or electrostatic breakdown.

Collet contact-prohibited areas

- Pixel area: Abnormal images
- Bonding pad: Circuit electrostatic breakdown
(Please note that this rule is not applicable for electrostatic breakdown prevention areas.)
- Scribe area: Dust emission due to chipping
- Chip edge: Dust emission due to chip breakage

Note: Ensure sufficient positional accuracy during the pickup work.
Separate the collet contact surfaces and contact-prohibited areas as much as possible.

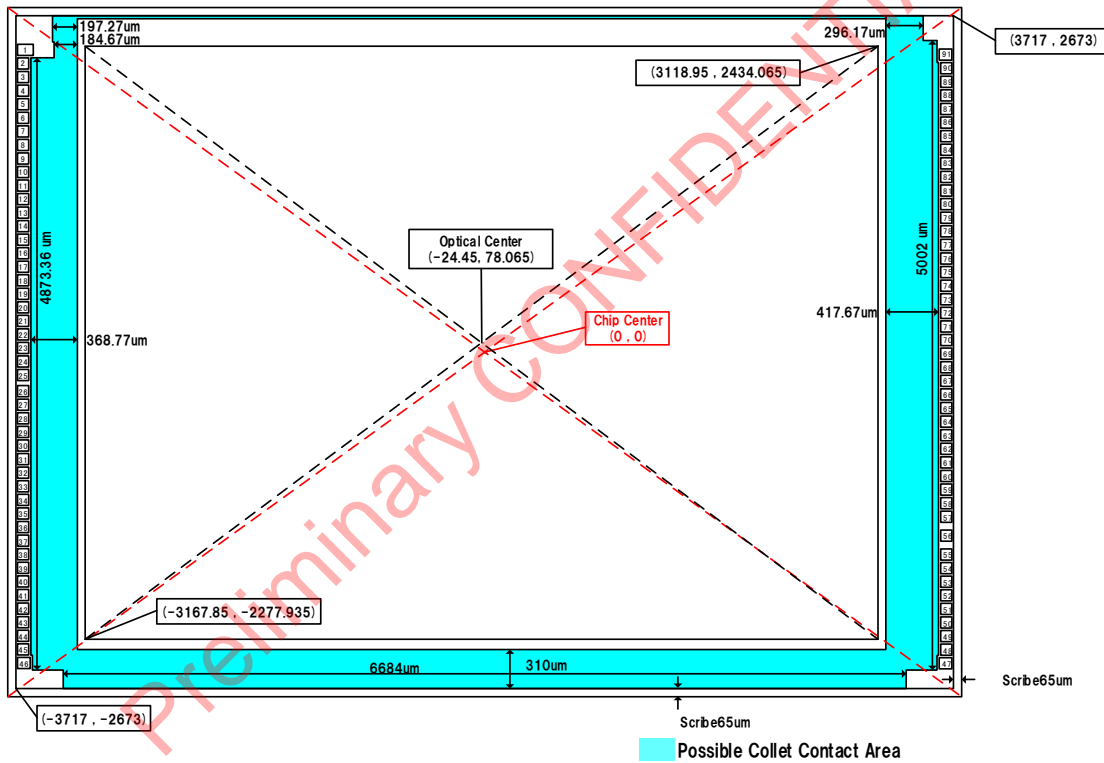


Figure 29 Prohibited Area

Ultrasonic chip clearing is prohibited.
This may result in dust emission from cut surfaces.

16. List of Trademark Logos and Definition Statements

Exmor RS

* Exmor RS is a trademark of Sony Corporation. The Exmor RS is a Sony's CMOS image sensor with high-resolution, high-performance and compact size by replacing a supporting substrate in Exmor R™ which changed fundamental structure of Exmor™ pixel adopted column parallel A/D converter to back-illuminated type, with layered chips formed signal processing circuits.

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