

# 1/4-Inch 5Mp CMOS Digital Image Sensor

#### MT9P017 Data Sheet

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#### **Features**

- DigitalClarity® CMOS imaging technology
- · Low dark current
- Simple two-wire serial interface
- Auto black level calibration
- Support for external LED or xenon flash
- High frame rate preview mode with arbitrary downsize scaling from maximum resolution
- Programmable controls: gain, horizontal and vertical blanking, auto black level offset correction, frame size/rate, exposure, left-right and top-bottom image reversal, window size, and panning
- Data interfaces: parallel or CCP2-compliant sublow-voltage differential signaling (sub-LVDS) or single/dual lanes serial mobile industry processor interface (MIPI)
- On-die phase-locked loop (PLL) oscillator
- Bayer pattern down-size scaler
- Superior low-light performance
- Integrated position and color-based shading correction
- 6.4Kb one-time programmable (OTP) memory for storing shading correction coefficients of three light sources and module information
- Extended Flash duration that is up to start of frame readout
- On-chip VCM driver

## **Applications**

- Cellular phones
- Digital still cameras
- PC cameras
- PDAs

# **General Description**

The Aptina MT9P017 is a 1/4-inch CMOS active-pixel digital image sensor with a pixel array of 2592H x 1944V (2608H x 1960V including border pixels). It incorporates sophisticated on-chip camera functions such as windowing, mirroring, column and row skip modes, and snapshot mode. It is programmable through a simple two-wire serial interface and has very low power consumption.

Table 1: Key Performance Parameters

Parameter		Value	
Optical format		1/4-inch (4:3)	
Active imager size		3.63mm(H)x2.72(V):4.54mm	
		diagonal	
Active pixel	S	2592H x 1944V	
Pixel size		1.4 μm x 1.4μm	
Chief ray an	gle	25.0°	
Color filter a	array	RGB Bayer pattern	
Shutter type	2	Electronic rolling shutter (ERS)	
Input clock	frequency	6–27 MHz	
Maximum	Parallel	84 Mpps at 84 MHz PIXCLK	
data rate	CCP2	650 Mbps	
	MIPI	840 Mbps per lane	
	Full resolution	15 fps	
Frame rate	· · · /		
	1080P	15fps(100% FOV)	
		30fps(68% FOV, windowing)	
	720P	30fps(90% FOV, skip2)	
		45fps(90% FOV, bin2)	
	1/51/515 153	60fps(45% FOV, windowing)	
	VGA (640x480)	60 fps(100% FOV, skip2, bin2)	
ADC resolut		115 fps(100% FOV, skip4) 10-bit, on-die	
		1	
Responsivity		TBDV/lux-sec (550nm)	
Dynamic rai	nge	TBDdB	
SNR <sub>MAX</sub>	D: :1-11/0	TBDdB	
Cummbu	Digital I/O	1.7–1.9V (1.8V nominal)	
Supply voltage	Digital Core	or 2.4–3.1V (2.8V nominal)	
Voitage	Digital Core	1.15-1.25(1.2V nominal) 2.6–3.1V (2.8V nominal)	
	Analog		
Danner	Digital 1.8V	1.7–1.9V (1.8V nominal)	
Power Consump-	Full resolution	Parallel: TBDmW at TBD°C (TYP)	
tion	ו עוו וכאטוענוטוו	CCP2: TBDmW at TBD°C (TYP)	
Cion	Ctorodles	MIPI: TBDmW at TBD°C (TYP)	
Darlings	Standby	TBDμW at TBD°C (TYP) Bare die	
Package			
Operating temperature		-30°C to +70°C (at junction)	

#### **Ordering Information**

Table 2: Available Part Numbers

Part Number	Description
MT9P017D00STCC48AC1	Bare die



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MT9P017: 1/4-Inch 5Mp CMOS Digital Image Sensor General Description

# **General Description**

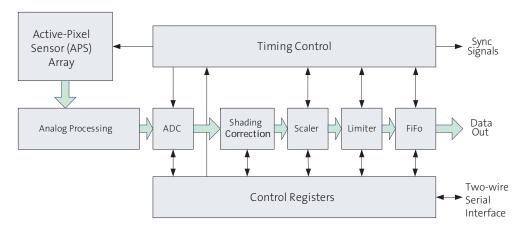
The MT9P017 digital image sensor features DigitalClarity—Aptina's breakthrough low-noise CMOS imaging technology that achieves near-CCD image quality (based on signal-to-noise ratio and low-light sensitivity) while maintaining the inherent size, cost, and integration advantages of CMOS.

The MT9P017 sensor can generate full resolution image at up to 15 frames per second (fps). An on-chip analog-to-digital converter (ADC) generates a 10-bit value for each pixel.

#### **Functional Overview**

The MT9P017 is a progressive-scan sensor that generates a stream of pixel data at a constant frame rate. It uses an on-chip, phase-locked loop (PLL) to generate all internal clocks from a single master input clock running between 6 and 27 MHz. The maximum pixel rate is 84 Mp/s, corresponding to a pixel clock rate of 84 MHz. A block diagram of the sensor is shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1: Block Diagram



The core of the sensor is a 5Mp active-pixel array. The timing and control circuitry sequences through the rows of the array, resetting and then reading each row in turn. In the time interval between resetting a row and reading that row, the pixels in the row integrate incident light. The exposure is controlled by varying the time interval between reset and readout. Once a row has been read, the data from the columns is sequenced through an analog signal chain (providing offset correction and gain), and then through an ADC. The output from the ADC is a 10-bit value for each pixel in the array. The ADC output passes through a digital processing signal chain (which provides further data path corrections and applies digital gain).

The pixel array contains optically active and light-shielded ("dark") pixels. The dark pixels are used to provide data for on-chip offset-correction algorithms ("black level" control).

The sensor contains a set of control and status registers that can be used to control many aspects of the sensor behavior including the frame size, exposure, and gain setting. These registers can be accessed through a two-wire serial interface.



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The output from the sensor is a Bayer pattern; alternate rows are a sequence of either green and red pixels or blue and green pixels. The offset and gain stages of the analog signal chain provide per-color control of the pixel data.

The control registers, timing and control, and digital processing functions shown in Figure 1 on page 7 are partitioned into three logical parts:

- A sensor core that provides array control and data path corrections. The output of the sensor core is a 10-bit parallel pixel data stream qualified by an output data clock (PIXCLK), together with LINE\_VALID (LV) and FRAME\_VALID (FV) signals.
- A digital shading correction block to compensate for color/brightness shading introduced by the lens or chief ray angle (CRA) curve mismatch.
- Additional functionality is provided. This includes a horizontal and vertical image scaler, a limiter, a data compressor, an output FIFO, and a serializer.

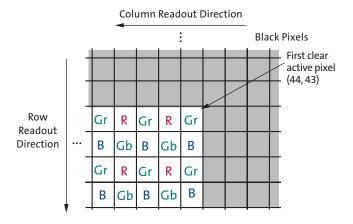
The output FIFO is present to prevent data bursts by keeping the data rate continuous. Programmable slew rates are also available to reduce the effect of electromagnetic interference from the output interface.

A flash output signal is provided to allow an external xenon or LED light source to synchronize with the sensor exposure time.

#### **Pixel Array**

The sensor core uses a Bayer color pattern, as shown in Figure 2. The even-numbered rows contain green and red pixels; odd-numbered rows contain blue and green pixels. Even-numbered columns contain green and blue pixels; odd-numbered columns contain red and green pixels.

Figure 2: Pixel Color Pattern Detail (Top Right Corner)





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# **Operating Modes**

By default, the MT9P017 powers up with the serial pixel data interface enabled. The sensor can operate either in serial CPP2 or serial MIPI mode. This mode is preconfigured at the factory. In either case, the sensor has a SMIA-compatible register interface while the  $\rm I^2C$  device address is compliant with SMIA or MIPI requirements as appropriate. The reset level on the TEST pin must be tied in a way that is compatible with the configured serial interface of the sensor, for instance TEST = 0 for CCP2 and TEST = 1 for MIPI.

The MT9P017 also supports parallel data out in both CCP2 and MIPI configuration. Typical configurations are shown in Figure 3 on page 10, Figure 4 on page 11, and Figure 5 on page 12. These operating modes are described in "Control of the Signal Interface" on page 27.

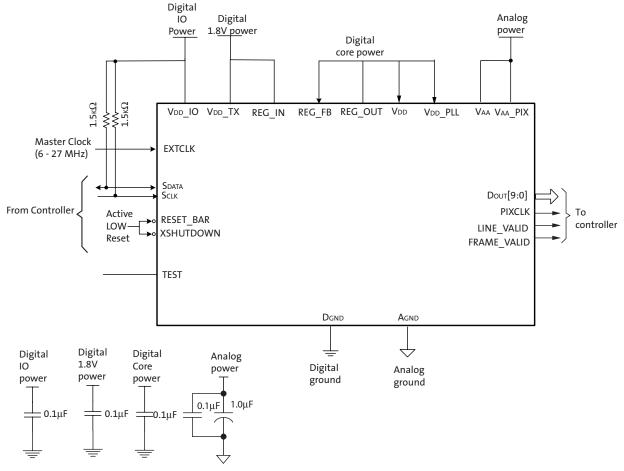
For low-noise operation, the MT9P017 requires separate power supplies for analog and digital. Incoming digital and analog ground conductors can be tied together next to the die. Both power supply rails should be decoupled from ground using capacitors as close as possible to the die.

Caution

Aptina does not recommend the use of inductance filters on the power supplies or output signals.



Figure 3: Typical Configuration: Parallel Pixel Data Interface



Notes:

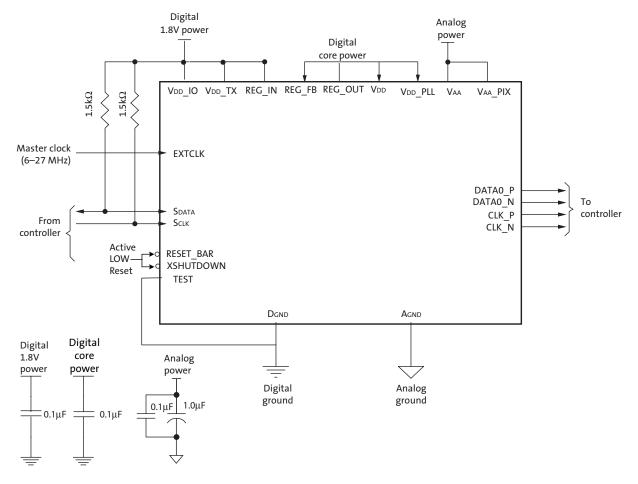
- 1. All power supplies must be adequately decoupled.
- 2. Aptina recommends a resistor value of  $1.5k\Omega$ , but a greater value may be used for slower two-wire speed. This pull-up resistor is not required if the controller drives a valid logic level on SCLK at all times.
- 3. VDD\_IO can be either 1.8V(nominal) or 2.8V(nominal). If VDD\_IO is 1.8V, VDD\_IO can be tied to Digital 1.8V Power.
- 4. VAA and VAA PIX must be tied together.
- 5. VDD and VDD\_PLL must be tied together
- 6. The serial interface output pads can be left unconnected if the parallel output interface is used.
- 7. Aptina recommends having  $0.1\mu F$  and  $1.0\mu F$  decoupling capacitors for analog power supply and  $0.1\mu F$  decoupling capacitor for other power supplies. Actual values and results may vary depending on layout and design considerations.
- 8. TEST can be tied to DGND (Device ID address = 0x20) or VDD IO (Device ID address = 0x6C).
- 9. VDD \_TX and REG\_IN must be tied together.
- 10. Aptina recommends that RESET BAR and XSHUTDOWN be tied together.
- 11. The frequency range for EXTCLK must be 6-27 MHz.
- 12. VPP, which can be used during the module manufacturing process, is not shown in Figure 3. This pad is left unconnected during normal operation.
- 13. VCM\_ISINK and VCM\_GND, which can be used for internal VCM AF driver, are not shown in Figure 3. VCM\_ISINK must be tied to the VCM actuator and VCM\_GND must be tied to the DGND when the internal VCM is used. These pads are left unconnected if the internal VCM driver is not used.
- 14. The GPI[3:0] pins, which can be either statically pulled HIGH/LOW to be used as module IDs, or they can be programmed to perform special functions (TRIGGER, OE\_BAR, SADDR, STANDBY) to be dynamically controlled, are not shown in Figure 3.



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15. The FLASH, which can be used for flash control, is not shown in Figure 3.

Figure 4: Typical Configuration: Serial CCP2 Pixel Data Interface



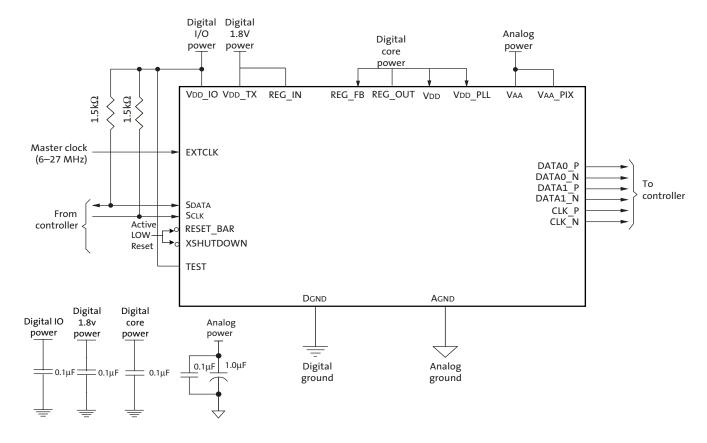
- Notes:
- 1. All power supplies must be adequately decoupled.
- 2. Aptina recommends a resistor value of 1.5k $\Omega$ , but a greater value may be used for slower two-wire speed. This pull-up resistor is not required if the controller drives a valid logic level on SCLK at all times.
- 3. VDD\_IO can be either 1.8V(nominal) or 2.8V(nominal). If VDD\_IO is 1.8V, VDD\_IO can be tied to Digital 1.8V Power.
- 4. VAA and VAA\_PIX must be tied together.
- 5. VDD and VDD PLL must be tied together
- 6. The serial interface output pads can be left unconnected if the parallel output interface is used.
- 7. Aptina recommends having  $0.1\mu F$  and  $1.0\mu F$  decoupling capacitors for analog power supply and  $0.1\mu F$  decoupling capacitor for other power supplies. Actual values and results may vary depending on layout and design considerations.
- 8. TEST can be tied to DGND (Device ID address = 0x20) or VDD IO (Device ID address = 0x6C).
- 9. VDD TX and REG IN must be tied together.
- 10. Aptina recommends that RESET BAR and XSHUTDOWN be tied together.
- 11. The frequency range for EXTCLK must be 6-27 MHz.
- 12. VPP, which can be used during the module manufacturing process, is not shown in Figure 4. This pad is left unconnected during normal operation.
- 13. VCM\_ISINK and VCM\_GND, which can be used for internal VCM AF driver, are not shown in Figure 4. VCM\_ISINK must be tied to the VCM actuator and VCM\_GND must be tied to the DGND when the internal VCM is used. These pads are left unconnected if the internal VCM driver is not used.



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- 14. The GPI[3:0] pins, which can be either statically pulled HIGH/LOW to be used as module IDs, or they can be programmed to perform special functions (TRIGGER, OE\_BAR, SADDR, STANDBY) to be dynamically controlled, are not shown in Figure 4.
- 15. The FLASH, which can be used for flash control, is not shown in Figure 4.

Figure 5: Typical Configuration: Serial Dual-Lane MIPI Pixel Data Interface



Notes:

- 1. All power supplies must be adequately decoupled.
- 2. Aptina recommends a resistor value of  $1.5k\Omega$ , but a greater value may be used for slower two-wire speed. This pull-up resistor is not required if the controller drives a valid logic level on SCLK at all times.
- 3. VDD\_IO can be either 1.8V(nominal) or 2.8V(nominal). If VDD\_IO is 1.8V, VDD\_IO can be tied to Digital 1.8V Power.
- 4. VAA and VAA\_PIX must be tied together.
- 5. VDD and VDD\_PLL must be tied together
- 6. The serial interface output pads can be left unconnected if the parallel output interface is used.
- 7. Aptina recommends having  $0.1\mu F$  and  $1.0\mu F$  decoupling capacitors for analog power supply and  $0.1\mu F$  decoupling capacitor for other power supplies. Actual values and results may vary depending on layout and design considerations.
- 8. TEST can be tied to DGND (Device ID address = 0x20) or VDD IO (Device ID address = 0x6C).
- 9. VDD TX and REG IN must be tied together.
- 10. Aptina recommends that RESET BAR and XSHUTDOWN be tied together.
- 11. The frequency range for EXTCLK must be 6-27MHz.
- 12. VPP, which can be used during the module manufacturing process, is not shown in Figure 5. This pad is left unconnected during normal operation.
- 13. VCM\_ISINK and VCM\_GND, which can be used for internal VCM AF driver, are not shown in Figure 5. VCM\_ISINK must be tied to the VCM actuator and VCM\_GND must be tied to the DGND when the internal VCM is used. These pads are left unconnected if the internal VCM driver is not used.



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- 14. The GPI[3:0] pins, which can be either statically pulled HIGH/LOW to be used as module IDs, or they can be programmed to perform special functions (TRIGGER, OE\_BAR, SADDR, STANDBY) to be dynamically controlled, are not shown in Figure 5.
- 15. The FLASH, which can be used for flash control, is not shown in Figure 5.



MT9P017: 1/4-Inch 5Mp CMOS Digital Image Sensor Signal Descriptions

# **Signal Descriptions**

Table 3 provides signal descriptions for MT9P017 die. For pad location and aperture information, refer to the MT9P017 die data sheet.

Table 3: Signal Descriptions

Pad Name	Pad Type	Description	
EXTCLK	Input	Master clock input, 6–27 MHz.	
RESET_BAR	Input	Asynchronous active LOW reset. When asserted, data output stops and all internal registers are restored to their factory default settings.	
XSHUTDOWN	Input	Asynchronous active LOW reset. When asserted, data output stops and all internal registers are restored to their factory default settings. This pin will turn off the digital power domain and is the lowest power state of the sensor.	
Sclk	Input	Serial clock for access to control and status registers.	
GPI[3:0]	Input	General purpose inputs. After reset, these pads are powered-down by default; this means that it is not necessary to bond to these pads. Any of these pads can be configured to provide hardware control of the standby, output enable, Saddr select, and shutter trigger functions.  Aptina recommends that unused GPI pins be tied to DGND, but can also be left floating.	
TEST	Input	Enable manufacturing test modes. Connect to DGND for normal operation of the CCP2 configured sensor, or connect to VDD_IO power for the MIPI-configured sensor.	
SDATA	I/O	Serial data from reads and writes to control and status registers.	
VCM_ISINK	I/O	Connected to VCM actuator. 100mA max. 3.3V max.	
VCM_GND	I/O	Connected to VCM actuator.	
REG_OUT	I/O	1.2V on-chip regulator output node.	
REG_IN	I/O	On-chip regulator input node. It needs to be connected to external 1.8V.	
REG_FB	I/O	This pad is receiving the 1.2V feedback from REG_OUT. It needs to be connected to REG_OUT.	
DATA0_P	Output	Differential CCP2/MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial data (positive).	
DATA0_N	Output	Differential CCP2/MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial data (negative).	
DATA1_P	Output	Differential MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial data 2nd lane (positive).  Can be left floating when using one-lane MIPI or CCP2 serial interface.	
DATA1_N	Output	Differential MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial data second lane (negative). Can be left floating when using one-lane MIPI or CCP2 serial interface.	
CLK_P	Output	Differential CCP2/MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial clock/strobe (positive).	
CLK_N	Output	Differential CCP2/MIPI (sub-LVDS) serial clock/strobe (negative).	
LINE_VALID	Output	LINE_VALID (LV) output. Qualified by PIXCLK.	
FRAME_VALID	Output	FRAME_VALID (FV) output. Qualified by PIXCLK.	
<b>D</b> оυт[9:0]	Output	Parallel pixel data output. Qualified by PIXCLK.	
PIXCLK	Output	Pixel clock. Used to qualify the LV, FV, and DOυτ[9:0] outputs.	
FLASH	Output	Flash output. Synchronization pulse for external light source. Can be left floating if not used.	
VPP	Supply	Power supply used to program one-time programmable (OTP) memory.	
VDD_TX	Supply	Digital PHY power supply. Digital power supply for the serial interface.	
VAA	Supply	Analog power supply.	
VAA_PIX	Supply	Analog power supply for the pixel array.	
AGND	Supply	Analog ground.	
VDD	Supply	Digital core power supply.	
VDD_IO	Supply	I/O power supply.	
DGND	Supply	Common ground for digital and I/O.	
VDD_PLL	Supply	PLL power supply.	
DGNDPLL	Supply	PLL ground.	



MT9P017: 1/4-Inch 5Mp CMOS Digital Image Sensor Output Data Format

## **Output Data Format**

#### **Serial Pixel Data Interface**

The MT9P017 serial pixel data interface implements data/clock and data/strobe signaling in accordance with the CCP2 specifications. Serial MIPI is also supported. The RAW8 and RAW10 image data formats are supported.

#### **Parallel Pixel Data Interface**

MT9P017 image data is read out in a progressive scan. Valid image data is surrounded by horizontal blanking and vertical blanking, as shown in Figure 6. The amount of horizontal blanking and vertical blanking is programmable; LV is HIGH during the shaded region of the figure. FV timing is described in the "Output Data Timing (Parallel Pixel Data Interface)".

Figure 6: Spatial Illustration of Image Readout

P <sub>0,0</sub> P <sub>0,1</sub> P <sub>0,2</sub>	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0
VALID IMAGE	HORIZONTAL BLANKING
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0
VERTICAL BLANKING	VERTICAL/HORIZONTAL BLANKING
00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0

# **Output Data Timing (Parallel Pixel Data Interface)**

MT9P017 output data is synchronized with the PIXCLK output. When LV is HIGH, one pixel value is output on the 10-bit Dout output every PIXCLK period. The pixel clock frequency can be determined based on the sensor's master input clock and internal PLL configuration. The rising edges on the PIXCLK signal occurs one-half of a pixel clock period after transitions on LV, FV, and Dout (see Figure 7 on page 16). This allows PIXCLK to be used as a clock to sample the data. PIXCLK is continuously enabled, even during the blanking period. The MT9P017 can be programmed to delay the PIXCLK edge relative to the Dout transitions. This can be achieved by programming the corresponding bits in the row\_speed register. The parameters P, A, and Q in Figure 8 on page 16 are defined in Table 4 on page 16.



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Figure 7: Pixel Data Timing Example

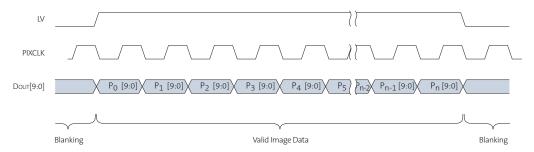


Figure 8: Row Timing and FV/LV Signals

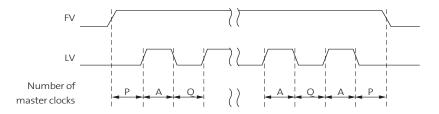


Table 4: Row Timing

Parameter	Name	Equation	Default Timing
PIXCLK_PERIOD	Pixel clock period	R0x3016–7[2:0] / vt_pix_clk_freq_mhz	1 pixel clock
			= 11.9ns
S	Skip (subsampling) factor	For x_odd_inc = y_odd_inc = 3, S = 2.	1
		For $x_odd_inc = y_odd_inc = 7$ , $S = 4$ .	
		Otherwise, S = 1	
Α	Active data time	(x_addr_end – x_addr_start + x_odd_inc) *	30.85μs
		OP_PIX-CLK_PERIOD/S	
Р	Frame start/end blanking	6 * PIXCLK_PERIOD	6 pixel clocks
			= 71.4ns
Q	Horizontal blanking	(line_length_pck * PIXCLK_PERIOD – A)	11.5μs
A+Q	Row time	line_length_pck * PIXCLK_PERIOD	42.4μs
N	Number of rows	(y_addr_end - y_addr_start + y_odd_inc)/S	1944 rows
V	Vertical blanking	((frame_length_lines - N) * (A+Q)) + Q – (2*P)	3.27ms
Т	Frame valid time	(N * (A + Q)) – Q + (2*P)	82.33ms
F	Total frame time	line_length_pck * frame_length_lines * PIXCLK_PERIOD	85.60ms

The sensor timing (Table 4) is shown in terms of pixel clock and master clock cycles (see Figure 7). The settings in Table 4 or the on-chip PLL generate an 84 MHz output pixel clock (op\_pix\_clk) given a 24-MHz input clock to the MT9P017. Equations for calculating the frame rate are given in "Frame Rate Control" on page 51.



# **Two-Wire Serial Register Interface**

The two-wire serial interface bus enables read/write access to control and status registers within the MT9P017. This interface is designed to be compatible with the electrical characteristics and transfer protocols of the  $I^2C$  specification.

The interface protocol uses a master/slave model in which a master controls one or more slave devices. The sensor acts as a slave device. The master generates a clock (SCLK) that is an input to the sensor and is used to synchronize transfers. Data is transferred between the master and the slave on a bidirectional signal (SDATA). SDATA is pulled up to VDD\_IO off-chip by a  $1.5 \mathrm{k}\Omega$  resistor. Either the slave or master device can drive SDATA LOW—the interface protocol determines which device is allowed to drive SDATA at any given time.

The protocols described in the two-wire serial interface specification allow the slave device to drive SCLK LOW; the MT9P017 uses SCLK as an input only and therefore never drives it LOW.

#### **Protocol**

Data transfers on the two-wire serial interface bus are performed by a sequence of low-level protocol elements:

- 1. a (repeated) start condition
- 2. a slave address/data direction byte
- 3. an (a no) acknowledge bit
- 4. a message byte
- 5. a stop condition

The bus is idle when both SCLK and SDATA are HIGH. Control of the bus is initiated with a start condition, and the bus is released with a stop condition. Only the master can generate the start and stop conditions.

#### **Start Condition**

A start condition is defined as a HIGH-to-LOW transition on SDATA while SCLK is HIGH. At the end of a transfer, the master can generate a start condition without previously generating a stop condition; this is known as a "repeated start" or "restart" condition.

#### **Stop Condition**

A stop condition is defined as a LOW-to-HIGH transition on SDATA while SCLK is HIGH.

#### **Data Transfer**

Data is transferred serially, 8 bits at a time, with the MSB transmitted first. Each byte of data is followed by an acknowledge bit or a no-acknowledge bit. This data transfer mechanism is used for the slave address/data direction byte and for message bytes.

One data bit is transferred during each SCLK clock period. SDATA can change when SCLK is LOW and must be stable while SCLK is HIGH.

## Slave Address/Data Direction Byte

Bits [7:1] of this byte represent the device slave address and bit [0] indicates the data transfer direction. A "0" in bit [0] indicates a WRITE, and a "1" indicates a READ. The default slave addresses used by the MT9P017 for the MIPI configured sensor are 0x6C (write address) and 0x6D (read address) in accordance with the MIPI specification. Alternate slave addresses of 0x6E(write address) and 0x6F(read address) can be selected by



enabling and asserting the SADDR signal through the GPI pad. But for the CCP2 configured sensor, the default slave addresses used are 0x20 (write address) and 0x21 (read address) in accordance with the SMIA specification. Also, alternate slave addresses of 0x30 (write address) and 0x31 (read address) can be selected by enabling and asserting the SADDR signal through the GPI pad.

An alternate slave address can also be programmed through R0x31FC.

## **Message Byte**

Message bytes are used for sending register addresses and register write data to the slave device and for retrieving register read data.

#### **Acknowledge Bit**

Each 8-bit data transfer is followed by an acknowledge bit or a no-acknowledge bit in the SCLK clock period following the data transfer. The transmitter (which is the master when writing, or the slave when reading) releases SDATA. The receiver indicates an acknowledge bit by driving SDATA LOW. As for data transfers, SDATA can change when SCLK is LOW and must be stable while SCLK is HIGH.

#### No-Acknowledge Bit

The no-acknowledge bit is generated when the receiver does not drive SDATA LOW during the SCLK clock period following a data transfer. A no-acknowledge bit is used to terminate a read sequence.

## **Typical Sequence**

A typical READ or WRITE sequence begins by the master generating a start condition on the bus. After the start condition, the master sends the 8-bit slave address/data direction byte. The last bit indicates whether the request is for a read or a write, where a "0" indicates a write and a "1" indicates a read. If the address matches the address of the slave device, the slave device acknowledges receipt of the address by generating an acknowledge bit on the bus.

If the request was a WRITE, the master then transfers the 16-bit register address to which the WRITE should take place. This transfer takes place as two 8-bit sequences and the slave sends an acknowledge bit after each sequence to indicate that the byte has been received. The master then transfers the data as an 8-bit sequence; the slave sends an acknowledge bit at the end of the sequence. The master stops writing by generating a (re)start or stop condition.

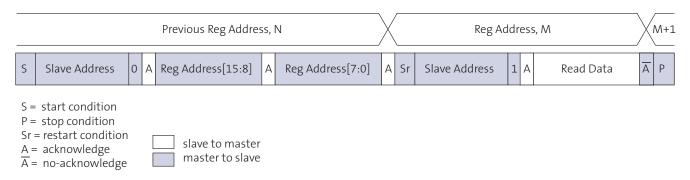
If the request was a READ, the master sends the 8-bit write slave address/data direction byte and 16-bit register address, the same way as with a WRITE request. The master then generates a (re)start condition and the 8-bit read slave address/data direction byte, and clocks out the register data, eight bits at a time. The master generates an acknowledge bit after each 8-bit transfer. The slave's internal register address is automatically incremented after every 8 bits are transferred. The data transfer is stopped when the master sends a no-acknowledge bit.



## **Single READ from Random Location**

This sequence (Figure 9 on page 19) starts with a dummy WRITE to the 16-bit address that is to be used for the READ. The master terminates the WRITE by generating a restart condition. The master then sends the 8-bit read slave address/data direction byte and clocks out one byte of register data. The master terminates the READ by generating a no-acknowledge bit followed by a stop condition. Figure 9 shows how the internal register address maintained by the MT9P017 is loaded and incremented as the sequence proceeds.

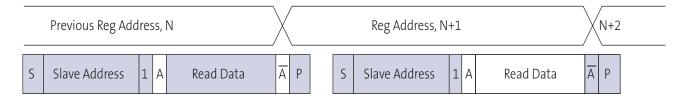
Figure 9: Single READ from Random Location



## **Single READ from Current Location**

This sequence (Figure 10) performs a read using the current value of the MT9P017 internal register address. The master terminates the READ by generating a no-acknowledge bit followed by a stop condition. The figure shows two independent READ sequences.

Figure 10: Single READ from Current Location

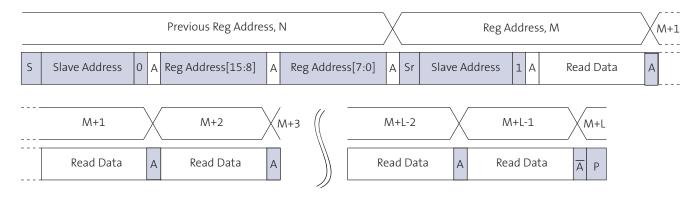




### Sequential READ, Start from Random Location

This sequence (Figure 11) starts in the same way as the single READ from random location (Figure 9). Instead of generating a no-acknowledge bit after the first byte of data has been transferred, the master generates an acknowledge bit and continues to perform byte READs until "L" bytes have been read.

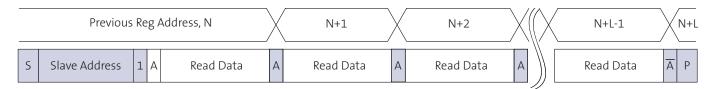
Figure 11: Sequential READ, Start from Random Location



## **Sequential READ, Start from Current Location**

This sequence (Figure 12) starts in the same way as the single READ from current location (Figure 10 on page 19). Instead of generating a no-acknowledge bit after the first byte of data has been transferred, the master generates an acknowledge bit and continues to perform byte READs until "L" bytes have been read.

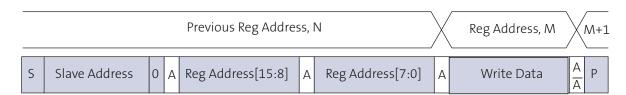
Figure 12: Sequential READ, Start from Current Location



## **Single WRITE to Random Location**

This sequence (Figure 13) begins with the master generating a start condition. The slave address/data direction byte signals a WRITE and is followed by the HIGH then LOW bytes of the register address that is to be written. The master follows this with the byte of write data. The WRITE is terminated by the master generating a stop condition.

Figure 13: Single WRITE to Random Location



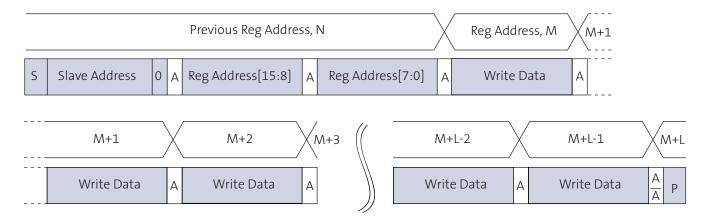


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# **Sequential WRITE, Start at Random Location**

This sequence (Figure 14) starts in the same way as the single WRITE to random location (Figure 13). Instead of generating a no-acknowledge bit after the first byte of data has been transferred, the master generates an acknowledge bit and continues to perform byte WRITEs until "L" bytes have been written. The WRITE is terminated by the master generating a stop condition.

Figure 14: Sequential WRITE, Start at Random Location



# Registers

The MT9P017 provides a 16-bit register address space accessed through a serial interface ("Two-Wire Serial Register Interface" on page 17). See the MT9P017 Register Reference for details.



# **Programming Restrictions**

Table 6 shows a list of programming rules that must be adhered to for correct operation of the MT9P017. It is recommended that these rules are encoded into the device driver stack—either implicitly or explicitly.

**Table 5:** Definitions for Programming Rules

Name	Definition
xskip	xskip = 1 if x_odd_inc = 1; xskip = 2 if x_odd_inc = 3; xskip = 4 if x_odd_inc = 7
yskip	yskip = 1 if y_odd_inc = 1; yskip = 2 if y_odd_inc = 3; yskip = 4 if y_odd_inc = 7

#### Table 6: Programming Rules

Parameter	Minimum Value	Maximum Value
coarse_integration_time	coarse_integration_time_min	frame_length_lines -
		coarse_integration_time_max_margin
fine_integration_time	fine_integration_time_min	line_length_pck - fine_integration_time_max_margin
digital_gain_*	digital_gain_min	digital_gain_max
digital_gain_* is an integer multiple of digital_gain_step_size		
frame_length_lines	min_frame_length_lines	max_frame_length_lines
	min_line_length_pck	max_line_length_pck
line_length_pck	((x_addr_end - x_addr_start + x_odd_inc)/xskip) + min_line_blanking_pck	
frame_length_lines	((y_addr_end - y_addr_start + y_odd_inc)/yskip) + min_frame_blanking_lines	
x_addr_start (must be an even number)	x_addr_min	x_addr_max
x_addr_end (must be an odd number)	x_addr_start	x_addr_max
(x_addr_end - x_addr_start + x_odd_inc)	must be positive	must be positive
y_addr_start (must be an even number)	y_addr_min	y_addr_max
y_addr_end (must be an odd number)	y_addr_start	y_addr_max
(y_addr_end – y_addr_start + y_odd_inc)	must be positive	must be positive
x_even_inc (must be an even number)	min_even_inc	max_even_inc
y_even_inc (must be an even number)	min_even_inc	max_even_inc
x_odd_inc (must be an odd number)	min_odd_inc	max_odd_inc
y_odd_inc (must be an odd number)	min_odd_inc	max_odd_inc
scale_m	scaler_m_min	scaler_m_max
scale_n	scaler_n_min	scaler_n_max
x_output_size (must be even number – this is enforced in hardware)	256	2608



#### Table 6: Programming Rules (continued)

Parameter	Minimum Value	Maximum Value
y_output_size (must be even number – this is enforced in hardware)	2	frame_length_lines
With subsampling, start and end pixels must be addressed (impact on x/y start/end addresses, function of image orientation bits)		

#### **Output Size Restrictions**

The design specification imposes the restriction that an output line (the gap between CCP2 start and stop codes) is a multiple of 32 bits in length. This imposes an additional restriction on the legal values of x\_output\_size:

- When ccp\_data\_format[7:0] = 8 (RAW8 data), x\_output\_size must be a multiple of 4 (x output size[1:0] = 0).
- When ccp\_data\_format[7:0] = 10 (RAW10 data), x\_output\_size must be a multiple of 16 (x output size[3:0] = 0).

This restriction only applies when the serial pixel data path is in use. It can be met by rounding up x\_output\_size to an appropriate multiple. Any extra pixels in the output image as a result of this rounding contain undefined pixel data but are guaranteed not to cause false synchronization on the serial data stream.

When the parallel pixel data path is in use, the only restriction on  $x_{output_size}$  is that it must be even ( $x_{output_size}[0] = 0$ ), and this restriction is enforced in hardware.

When the serial pixel data path is in use, there is an additional restriction that  $x_output_size$  must be small enough such that the output row time (set by  $x_output_size$ , the framing and CRC overhead of 12 bytes and the output clock rate) must be less than the row time of the video array (set by line\_length\_pck and the video timing clock rate).

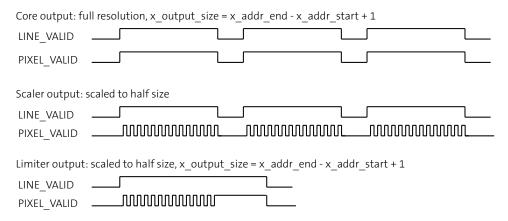


#### Effect of Scaler on Legal Range of Output Sizes

When the scaler is enabled, it is necessary to adjust the values of x\_output\_size and y\_output\_size to match the image size generated by the scaler. The MT9P017 will operate incorrectly if the x\_output\_size and y\_output\_size are significantly larger than the output image.

To understand the reason for this, consider the situation where the sensor is operating at full resolution and the scaler is enabled with a scaling factor of 32 (half the number of pixels in each direction). This situation is shown in Figure 15 on page 24.

Figure 15: Effect of Limiter on the Data Path



In Figure 15, three different stages in the data path (see "Digital Data Path" on page 64) are shown. The first stage is the output of the sensor core. The core is running at full resolution and x\_output\_size is set to match the active array size. The LV signal is asserted once per row and remains asserted for *N* pixel times. The PIXEL\_VALID signal toggles with the same timing as LV, indicating that all pixels in the row are valid.

The second stage is the output of the scaler, when the scaler is set to reduce the image size by one-half in each dimension. The effect of the scaler is to combine groups of pixels. Therefore, the row time remains the same, but only half the pixels out of the scaler are valid. This is signaled by transitions in PIXEL\_VALID. Overall, PIXEL\_VALID is asserted for (N/2) pixel times per row.

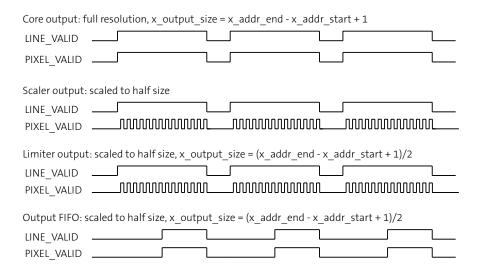
The third stage is the output of the limiter when the x\_output\_size is still set to match the active array size. Because the scaler has reduced the amount of valid pixel data without reducing the row time, the limiter attempts to pad the row with (N/2) additional pixels. If this has the effect of extending LV across the whole of the horizontal blanking time, the MT9P017 will cease to generate output frames.

A correct configuration is shown in Figure 16 on page 25, in addition to showing the x\_output\_size reduced to match the output size of the scaler. In this configuration, the output of the limiter does not extend LV.

Figure 16 on page 25 also shows the effect of the output FIFO, which forms the final stage in the data path. The output FIFO merges the intermittent pixel data back into a contiguous stream. Although not shown in this example, the output FIFO is also capable of operating with an output clock that is at a different frequency from its input clock.



## Figure 16: Timing of Data Path



#### **Output Data Timing**

The output FIFO acts as a boundary between two clock domains. Data is written to the FIFO in the VT (video timing) clock domain. Data is read out of the FIFO in the OP (output) clock domain.

When the scaler is disabled, the data rate in the VT clock domain is constant and uniform during the active period of each pixel array row readout. When the scaler is enabled, the data rate in the VT clock domain becomes intermittent, corresponding to the data reduction performed by the scaler.

A key constraint when configuring the clock for the output FIFO is that the frame rate out of the FIFO must exactly match the frame rate into the FIFO. When the scaler is disabled, this constraint can be met by imposing the rule that the row time on the serial data stream must be greater than or equal to the row time at the pixel array. The row time on the serial data stream is calculated from the x\_output\_size and the data\_format (8 or 10 bits per pixel), and must include the time taken in the serial data stream for start of frame/row, end of row/frame and checksum symbols.



If this constraint is not met, the FIFO will either underrun or overrun. FIFO underrun or overrun is a fatal error condition that is signaled through the data path\_status register (R0x306A).



## **Changing Registers while Streaming**

The following registers should only be reprogrammed while the sensor is in software standby:

- ccp\_channel\_identifier
- ccp\_data\_format
- ccp\_signaling\_mode
- vt\_pix\_clk\_div
- · vt\_sys\_clk\_div
- pre\_pll\_clk\_div
- pll\_multiplier
- op\_pix\_clk\_div
- op\_sys\_clk\_div
- scale\_m

#### **Programming Restrictions when Using Global Reset**

Interactions between the registers that control the global reset imposes some programming restrictions on the way in which they are used; these are discussed in "Analog Gain" on page 55.



# **Control of the Signal Interface**

This section describes the operation of the signal interface in all functional modes.

## Serial Register Interface

The serial register interface uses these signals:

- SCLK
- SDATA
- SADDR (through the GPI pad)

SCLK is an input-only signal and must always be driven to a valid logic level for correct operation; if the driving device can place this signal in High-Z, an external pull-up resistor should be connected on this signal.

SDATA is a bidirectional signal. An external pull-up resistor should be connected on this signal.

SADDR is a signal, which can be optionally enabled and controlled by a GPI pad, to select an alternate slave address. These slave addresses can also be programmed through R0x31FC.

This interface is described in detail in "Two-Wire Serial Register Interface" on page 72.

### **Default Power-Up State**

The MT9P017 sensor can provide up to three separate interfaces for pixel data: the CCP2 high-speed serial interface described by the SMIA specification, MIPI serial interface, and a parallel data interface.

At powerup and after a hard or soft reset, the reset state of the sensor is to enable SMIA operation and the CCP2 high speed serial interface when available.

The CCP2 and MIPI serial interfaces share pins, and only one can be enabled at time. This is done at the factory.

The serial pixel data interface uses the following output-only signal pairs:

- DATAO P
- DATA0 N
- CLK\_P
- CLK N

The signal pairs are driven differentially using sub-LVDS switching levels. This interface conforms to the SMIA 1.0 CCP2 requirements and supports both data/clock signaling and data/strobe signaling. The serial pixel data interface is enabled by default at power up and after reset.

The DATAO\_P, DATAO\_N, CLK\_P, and CLK\_N pads are turned off if the SMIA serial disable bit is asserted (R0x301A-B[12]=1) or when the sensor is in the soft standby state.

In data/clock mode the clock remains HIGH when no data is being transmitted. In data/strobe mode before frame start, clock is LOW and data is HIGH.

When the serial pixel data interface is used, the LINE\_VALID, FRAME\_VALID, PIXCLK and DOUT[9:0] signals (if present) can be left unconnected.



#### **CCP2 Serial Pixel Data Interface**

The serial pixel data interface uses the following output-only signal pairs:

- DATA0\_P
- DATAO N
- CLK\_P
- CLK\_N

The signal pairs are driven differentially using sub-LVDS switching levels. This interface conforms to the SMIA 1.0 CCP2 requirements and supports both data/clock signaling and data/strobe signaling. The serial pixel data interface is enabled by default at power up and after reset.

The DATAO\_P, DATAO\_N, CLK\_P, and CLK\_N pads are turned off if the SMIA serial disable bit is asserted (R0x301A-B[12]=1) or when the sensor is in the soft standby state.

In data/clock mode the clock remains HIGH when no data is being transmitted. In data/strobe mode before frame start, clock is LOW and data is HIGH.

When the serial pixel data interface is used, the LINE\_VALID, FRAME\_VALID, PIXCLK and DOUT[9:0] signals (if present) can be left unconnected.

## **MIPI Serial Pixel Data Interface**

The serial pixel data interface uses the following output-only signal pairs:

- DATA0 P
- DATAO N
- DATA1\_P
- DATA1 N
- CLK P
- CLK N

The signal pairs use both single-ended and differential signaling, in accordance with the MIPI specification. The serial pixel data interface is enabled by default at power up and after reset.

The DATA0\_P, DATA0\_N, DATA1\_P, DATA1\_N, CLK\_P and CLK\_N pads are set to the Ultra Low Power State (ULPS) if the SMIA serial disable bit is asserted (R0x301A-B[12]=1) or when the sensor is in the hardware standby or soft standby system states.

When the serial pixel data interface is used, the LINE\_VALID, FRAME\_VALID, PIXCLK and DOUT[9:0] signals (if present) can be left unconnected.

The ccp\_data\_format (R0x0112-3) register can be programmed to any of the following data format settings that are supported:

- 0x0A0A Sensor supports RAW10 uncompressed data format. This mode is supported by discarding all but the upper 10 bits of a pixel value.
- 0x0808 Sensor supports RAW8 uncompressed data format. This mode is supported by discarding all but the upper 8 bits of a pixel value.
- 0x0A08 Sensor supports RAW8 data format in which an adaptive compression algorithm is used to perform 10-bit to 8-bit compression on the upper 10 bits of each pixel value

The serial\_format register (R0x31AE) register controls which serial interface is in use when the serial interface is enabled (reset\_register[12] = 0). The following serial formats are supported:



- 0x0101 Sensor supports single-lane CCP2 operation
- 0x0201 Sensor supports single-lane MIPI operation
- 0x0202 Sensor supports dual-lane MIPI operation

#### **Parallel Pixel Data Interface**

The parallel pixel data interface uses these output-only signals:

- FV
- LV
- PIXCLK
- DOUT[9:0]

The parallel pixel data interface is disabled by default at power up and after reset. It can be enabled by programming R0x301A. Table 8 on page 30 shows the recommended settings.

When the parallel pixel data interface is in use, the serial data output signals (DATA0\_P, DATA0\_N, DATA1\_P, DATA1\_N, CLK\_P, and CLK\_N) can be left unconnected. Set reset\_register[12] to disable the serializer while in parallel output mode.

To use the parallel interface, the VDD\_TX pad must be tied to a 1.8V supply. For MIPI sensor, the VDD\_IO supply can be set at 1.8V or 2.8V (nominal).

#### **Output Enable Control**

When the parallel pixel data interface is enabled, its signals can be switched asynchronously between the driven and High-Z under pin or register control, as shown in Table 7. Selection of a pin to use for the OE\_N function is described in "General Purpose Inputs" on page 34.

#### Table 7: Output Enable Control

OE_N Pin	Drive Signals R0x301A-B[6]	Description
Disabled	0	Interface High-Z
Disabled	1	Interface driven
1	0	Interface High-Z
Х	1	Interface driven
0	X	Interface driven



# **Configuration of the Pixel Data Interface**

Fields in R0x301A are used to configure the operation of the pixel data interface. The supported combinations are shown in Table 8.

## Table 8: Configuration of the Pixel Data Interface

Serializer Disable R0x301 A-B[12]	Parallel Enable R0x301A–B[7]	Standby End-of-Frame R0x301A–B[4]	Description
0	0	1	Power up default. Serial pixel data interface and its clocks are enabled. Transitions to soft standby are synchronized to the end of frames on the serial pixel data interface.
1	1	0	Parallel pixel data interface, sensor core data output. Serial pixel data interface and its clocks disabled to save power. Transitions to soft standby are synchronized to the end of the current row readout on the parallel pixel data interface.
1	1	1	Parallel pixel data interface, sensor core data output. Serial pixel data interface and its clocks disabled to save power. Transitions to soft standby are synchronized to the end of frames in the parallel pixel data interface.

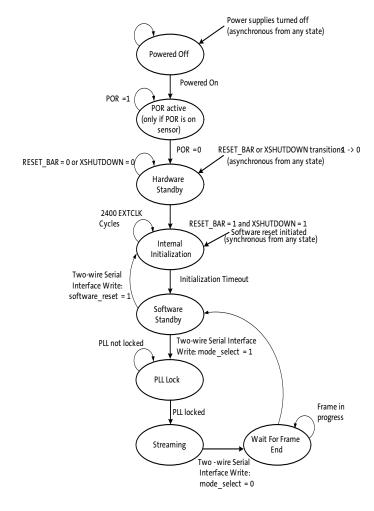


## **System States**

The system states of the MT9P017 are represented as a state diagram in Figure 17 and described in subsequent sections. The effect of RESET\_BAR on the system state and the configuration of the PLL in the different states are shown in Table 9 on page 32.

The sensor's operation is broken down into three separate states: hardware standby, software standby, and streaming. The transition between these states might take a certain amount of clock cycles as outlined in Table 9 on page 32.

Figure 17: MT9P017 System States





#### Table 9: XSHUTDOWN and PLL in System States

State	XSHUTDOWN	PLL
Powered off	х	
POR active	х	VCO powered down
Hardware standby	0	
Internal initialization		
Software standby		
PLL Lock	] 1	VCO powering up and locking, PLL output bypassed
Streaming		VCO running, PLL output active
Wait for frame end		

#### **Power-On Reset Sequence**

When power is applied to the MT9P017, it enters a low-power hardware standby state. Exit from this state is controlled by the later of two events:

- The negation of the XSHUTDOWN input.
- A timeout of the internal power-on reset circuit.

When XSHUTDOWN is asserted it asynchronously resets the sensor, truncating any frame that is in progress.

While XSHUTDOWN is asserted (or the internal power-on reset circuit is active) the MT9P017 is in its lowest-powered, powered-up state; the internal PLL is disabled, the CCP2 serializer is disabled and internal clocks are gated off.

When the sensor leaves the hardware standby state it performs an internal initialization sequence that takes 2400 EXTCLK cycles. After this, it enters a low-power software standby state. While the initialization sequence is in progress, the MT9P017 will not respond to read transactions on its two-wire serial interface. Therefore, a method to determine when the initialization sequence has completed is to poll a sensor register; for example, R0x0000. While the initialization sequence is in progress, the sensor will not respond to its device address and reads from the sensor will result in a NACK on the two-wire serial interface bus. When the sequence has completed, reads will return the operational value for the register (0x4800 if R0x00000 is read).

When the sensor leaves software standby mode and enables the VCO, an internal delay will keep the PLL disconnected for up to 1ms so that the PLL can lock. The VCO lock time is  $200\mu s$  (typical), 1ms (maximum).

#### **Soft Reset Sequence**

The MT9P017 can be reset under software control by writing "1" to software\_reset (R0x0103). A software reset asynchronously resets the sensor, truncating any frame that is in progress. The sensor starts the internal initialization sequence, while the PLL and analog blocks are turned off. At this point, the behavior is exactly the same as for the power-on reset sequence.

#### **Signal State During Reset**

Table 10 shows the state of the signal interface during hardware standby (RESET\_BAR asserted) and the default state during software standby (after exit from hardware standby and before any registers within the sensor have been changed from their default power-up values).



# Table 10: Signal State During Reset

Pad Name	Pad Type	Hardware Standby	Software Standby
EXTCLK	Input	Enabled. Must be driven to a valid logic level.	
XSHUTDOWN/RESET_BAR	Input	Enabled. Must be driven to a valid logic level.	
LINE_VALID	Output	High-Z. Can be left disconnected/floating.	
FRAME_VALID	Output		
Dоит[9:0]	Output		
PIXCLK	Output		
Sclk	Input	Enabled. Must be pulled up or driven to a valid logic level.	
Sdata	I/O	Enabled as an input. Must be pulled up or driven to a valid logic level.	
FLASH	Output	High-Z.	Logic 0.
DATA0_P	Output		
DATA0_N	Output	CCP2: High Z  MIPI: Ultra Low-Power State (ULPS), represented as an LP-00 state on the wire (both wires at 0V).	
DATA1_P	Output		
DATA1_N	Output		
CLK_P	Output		
CLK_N	Output		
GPI[3:0]	Input	Powered down. Can be left disconnected/floating.	
TEST	Input	Enabled. Must be driven to a logic 0 for a serial CCP2-configured sensor, or 1 for a serial MIPI-configured sensor.	



## **General Purpose Inputs**

The MT9P017 provides four general purpose inputs. After reset, the input pads associated with these signals are powered down by default, allowing the pads to be left disconnected/floating.

The general purpose inputs are enabled by setting reset\_register[8] (R0x301A). Once enabled, all four inputs must be driven to valid logic levels by external signals. The state of the general purpose inputs can be read through gpi\_status[3:0] (R0x3026).

In addition, each of the following functions can be associated with none, one, or more of the general purpose inputs so that the function can be directly controlled by a hardware input:

- Output enable (see "Output Enable Control" on page 29)
- Trigger (see the sections below)
- · Standby functions
- SADDR selection (see "Serial Register Interface" on page 27)

The gpi\_status register is used to associate a function with a general purpose input.

### **Streaming/Standby Control**

The MT9P017 can be switched between its soft standby and streaming states under pin or register control, as shown in Table 11. Selection of a pin to use for the STANDBY function is described in "General Purpose Inputs" on page 34. The state diagram for transitions between soft standby and streaming states is shown in Figure 17 on page 31.

Table 11: Streaming/STANDBY

STANDBY	Streaming R0x301A-B[2]	Description
Disabled	0	Soft standby
Disabled	1	Streaming
X	0	Soft standby
0	1	Streaming
1	Х	Soft standby



# Clocking

The MT9P017 contains a PLL for timing generation and control. The PLL contains a prescaler to divide the input clock applied on EXTCLK, a VCO to multiply the prescaler output, and a set of dividers to generate the output clocks.

Both SMIA profile 0 and profile 1/2 clock schemes are supported. Sensor profile level represents an increasing level of data rate reduction for video applications, for example, viewfinder in full resolution. The clocking scheme can be selected by setting R0x306E–F[7] to 0 for profile 0 or to 1 for profile 1/2.

Figure 18: MT9P017 Profile 1/2 Clocking Structure

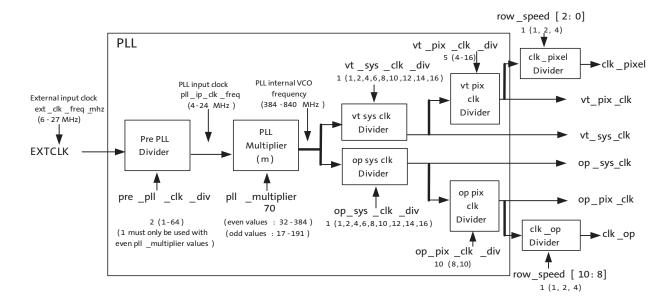


Figure 18 shows the different clocks and the names of the registers that contain or are used to control their values. Also shown is the default setting for each divider/multipler control register and the range of legal values for each divider/multiplier control register.

The parameter limit register space contains registers that declare the minimum and maximum allowable values for:

- The frequency allowable on each clock
- The divisors that are used to control each clock

These factors determine what are valid values, or combinations of valid values, for the divider/multiplier control registers:

- The minimum/maximum frequency limits for the associated clock must be met pll\_ip\_clk\_freq must be in the range 4–24 MHz. Higher frequencies are preferred. PLL internal VCO frequency must be in the range 384–840 MHz.
- The minimum/maximum value for the divider/multiplier must be met. Range for m: 17 –384. (In addition odd values between 17–191 and even values between 32–384 are accepted.) Range for n: 0-63. Range for (n+1): 1–64.
- clk\_op must never run faster than the clk\_pixel to ensure that the output data stream is contiguous.
- Given the maximum programmed line length, the minimum blanking time, the maximum image width, the available PLL divisor/multiplier values, and the require-



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ment that the output line time (including the necessary blanking) must be output in a time equal to or less than the time defined by line\_length\_pck.

Although the PLL VCO input frequency range is advertised as 4–24 MHz, superior performance is obtained by keeping the VCO input frequency as high as possible.

The usage of the output clocks is shown below:

- clk\_pixel (vt\_pix\_clk / row\_speed[2:0]) is used by the sensor core to readout and control the timing of the pixel array. The sensor core produces one 10-bit pixel each vt\_pix\_clk period. The line length (line\_length\_pck) and fine integration time (fine\_integration\_time) are controlled in increments of the vt\_pix\_clk period.
- clk\_op (op\_pix\_clk / row\_speed[10:8]) is used to load parallel pixel data from the output FIFO (see Figure 36 on page 64) to the serializer. The output FIFO generates one pixel each op\_pix\_clk period. The pixel is either 8-bit or 10-bit, depending upon the output data format, controlled by R0x0112–3 (ccpdata format).
- op\_sys\_clk is used to generate the serial data stream on the output. The relationship between this clock frequency and the op\_pix\_clk frequency is dependent upon the output data format.

In Profile 1/2, the output clock frequencies can be calculated as:

$$clk\_pix\_freq\_mhz = \frac{ext\_clk\_freq\_mhz \times pll\_multiplier \times clk\_pixel\_divN}{pre\_pll\_clk\_div \times vt\_sys\_clk\_div \times vt\_pix\_clk\_div \times row\_speed[2:0]}$$
 (EQ 1)

$$clk\_op\_freq\_mhz = \frac{ext\_clk\_freq\_mhz \times pll\_multiplier}{pre\_pll\_clk\_div \times op\_sys\_clk\_div \times op\_pix\_clk\_div \times row\_speed[10:8]}$$
(EQ 2)

$$op\_sys\_clk\_freq\_mhz = \frac{ext\_clk\_freq\_mhz \times pll\_multiplier}{pre\_pll\_clk\_div \times op\_sys\_clk\_div}$$
(EQ 3)

**Note:** For dual-lane MIPI interface, clk\_pixel\_divN = 1. For other interfaces ( parallel, CCP2, and single-lane MIPI), clk\_pixel\_divN = 2.

In Profile 0, RAW10 data format is required. As a result, op\_pix\_clk\_div should be set to 10. Also, due to the inherent design of the MT9P017 sensor, vt\_pix\_clk\_div should be set to 5 for profile 0 mode.



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# **PLL Clocking**

The PLL divisors should be programmed while the MT9P017 is in the software standby state. After programming the divisors, it is necessary to wait for the VCO lock time before enabling the PLL. The PLL is enabled by entering the streaming state.

An external timer will need to delay the entrance of the streaming mode by 1 millisecond so that the PLL can lock.

The effect of programming the PLL divisors while the MT9P017 is in the streaming state is undefined.

## Influence of ccp data format

R0x0112–3 (ccp\_data\_format) controls whether the pixel data interface will generate 10 or 8 bits per pixel.

When the pixel data interface is generating 8 bits per-pixel, op\_pix\_clk\_div must be programmed with the value 8. When the pixel data interface is generating 10 bits per pixel, op\_pix\_clk\_div must be programmed with the value 10.

## Influence of ccp2\_signalling\_mode

R0x0111 (ccp2\_signalling\_mode) controls whether the serial pixel data interface uses data/strobe signaling or data/clock signaling.

When data/clock signaling is selected, the pll\_multiplier supports both odd and even values.

When data/strobe signaling is selected, the pll\_multiplier only supports even values; the least significant bit of the programmed value is ignored and treated as "0."

This behavior is a result of the implementation of the CCP serializer and the PLL. When the serializer is using data/strobe signaling, it uses both edges of the op\_sys\_clk, and therefore that clock runs at one half of the bit rate. All of the programmed divisors are set up to make this behavior invisible. For example, when the divisors are programmed to generate a PLL output of 640 MHz, the actual PLL output is 320MHz, but both edges are used.

When the serializer is using data/clock signaling, it uses a single edge on the op\_sys\_clk, and therefore that clock runs at the bit rate.

To disguise this behavior from the programmer, the actual PLL multiplier is right-shifted by one bit relative to the programmed value when ccp2\_signalling\_mode selects data/strobe signaling.

## **Clock Control**

The MT9P017 uses an aggressive clock-gating methodology to reduce power consumption. The clocked logic is divided into a number of separate domains, each of which is only clocked when required.

When the MT9P017 enters a low-power state, almost all of the internal clocks are stopped. The only exception is that a small amount of logic is clocked so that the two-wire serial interface continues to respond to read and write requests.



### **Features**

# **Shading Correction (SC)**

Lenses tend to produce images whose brightness is significantly attenuated near the edges. There are also other factors causing fixed pattern signal gradients in images captured by image sensors. The cumulative result of all these factors is known as image shading. The MT9P017 has an embedded shading correction module that can be programmed to counter the shading effects on each individual Red, GreenB, GreenR, and Blue color signal.

#### **The Correction Function**

Color-dependent solutions are calibrated using the sensor, lens system and an image of an evenly illuminated, featureless gray calibration field. From the resulting image, register values for the color correction function (coefficients) can be derived.

The correction functions can then be applied to each pixel value to equalize the response across the image as follows:

$$Pcorrected(row, col) = Psensor(row, col) * f(row, col)$$
 (EQ 4)

where *P* are the pixel values and *f* is the color dependent correction functions for each color channel.

Each function includes a set of color-dependent coefficients defined by registers R0x3600–3726. The function's origin is the center point of the function used in the calculation of the coefficients. Using an origin near the central point of symmetry of the sensor response provides the best results. The center point of the function is determined by ORIGIN\_C (R0x3782) and ORIGIN\_R (R0x3784) and can be used to counter an offset in the system lens from the center of the sensor array.



# **One-Time Programmable Memory (OTPM)**

The MT9P017 features 6.4Kb of one-time programmable memory (OTPM) for storing shading correction coefficients, individual module ID, and sensor specific information. It takes roughly 5Kb (102 registers x 16-bits x 3 sets = 4896 bits) to store three sets of illumination-dependent shading coefficients. The OTPM array has a total of 201 accessible row-addresses, with each row having two 20-bit words per row. In each word, 16 bits are used for data storage, while the remaining 4 bits are used by the error detection and correction scheme. OTP memory can be accessed through two-wire serial interface. The MT9P017 uses the auto mode for fast OTPM programming and read operations.

During the programming process, a dedicated high voltage pin (VPP) needs to be supplied with a  $6.5V\pm3\%$  voltage to perform the anti-fusing operation, and a slew rate of  $1~V/\mu s$  or slower is recommended for VPP supply. Instantaneous VPP cannot exceed 9V at any time. The completion of the programming process will be communicated by a register through the two-wire serial interface.

Because this programming pin needs to sustain a higher voltage than other input/output pins, having a dedicated high voltage pin (VPP) minimizes the design risk. If the module manufacturing process can probe the sensor at the die or PCB level (that is, supply all the power rails, clocks, two-wire serial interface signals), then this dedicated high voltage pin does not need to be assigned to the module connector pinout. However, if the VPP pin needs to be bonded out as a pin on the module, the trace for VPP needs to carry a maximum of 1mA – for programming only. This pin should be left floating once the module is integrated to a design. If the VPP pin does not need to be bonded-out as a pin on the module, it should be left floating inside the module.

The programming of the OTPM requires the sensor to be fully powered and remain in software standby with its clock input applied. The information will be programmed through the use of the two-wire serial interface, and once the data is written to an internal register, the programming host machine will apply a high voltage to the programming pin, and send a program command to initiate the anti-fusing process. After the sensor has finished programming the OTPM, a status bit will be set to indicate the end of the programming cycle, and the host machine can poll the setting of the status bit through the two-wire serial interface. Only one programming cycle for the 16-bit word can be performed.

Reading the OTPM data requires the sensor to be fully powered and operational with its clock input applied. The data can be read through a register from the two-wire serial interface.

### **Programming the OTPM**

Program the MT9P017 OTPM as follows:

- 1. Apply power to all the power rails of the sensor (VDD\_IO, VAA, VAA\_PIX, and Digital 1.8V).
  - Aptina recommends setting VAA to 3.1V during the programming process. All other supplies must be at their nominal voltage.
  - Ensure that the VPP pin is floating during sensor power-up.
- 2. Provide an EXTCLK clock input (12 MHz is recommended).
- 3. Set R0x301A = 0x10D8, to put sensor in the soft standby mode.
- 4. Set R0x3064[9] =1 to bypass PLL.
- 5. Set R0x3054[8]=1
- 6. Write data (102 words for one set of LSC coefficients) into the OTPM data registers (R0x3800–R0x38CA for one set of LSC coefficients).



7. Set OTPM start address register R0x3050[15:8] = 0 to program the array with the first batch of data.

#### Note:

When programming the second batch of data, set the start address to 128 (considering that all the previous 0–127 locations are already written to by the data registers 0–255), otherwise the start address should be set accordingly.

- 8. Set R0x3054[9] = 0 to ensure that the error checking and correction is enabled.
- 9. Set the length register (R0x304C [7:0]) accordingly, depending on the number of OTM data registers that are filled in (0x66 for 102 words). It may take about 500ms for one set of LSC (102 words).
- 10. Set R0x3052 = 0x2504 (OTPM\_CONFIG)
- 11. Ramp up VPP to 6.5V. The recommended slew rate for VPP is 1 V/ $\mu$ s or slower.
- 12. Set the otpm\_control\_auto\_wr\_start bit in the otpm\_manual\_control register R0x304A[0] = 1, to initiate the auto program sequence. The sensor will now program the data into the OTPM starting with the location specified by the start address.
- 13. Poll OTPM\_Control\_Auto\_WR\_end (R0x304A [1]) to determine when the sensor is finished programming the word.
- 14. Repeat steps 13 and 14.
- 15. Remove the high voltage (VPP) and float the VPP pin.

# Reading the OTPM

#### Read the MT9P017 OTPM as follows:

- 1. Perform the proper reset sequence to the sensor by setting R0x0103 = 1.
- 2. Set OTPM\_CONFIG register R0x3052 = 0x2704.
- 3. Set R0x3054[8] = 1.
- 4. Program R0x3050[15:8] with the appropriate value to specify the start address (0x0 for address 0).
- 5. Program R0x304C [7:0] with the appropriate value to specify the length (number of data registers to be read back, starting from the specified start address 0x66 for 102 words).
- 6. Initiate the auto read sequence by setting the otpm\_control\_auto\_read\_start bit R0x304A[4] = 1.
- 7. Poll the otpm\_control\_auto\_rd\_end bit (R0x304A[5]) to determine when the sensor is finished reading the word(s).

  Data can now be read back from the otpm\_data registers (R0x3800–R0x39FE).
- 8. Verify that the read data from the OTPM\_DATA registers are the expected data.



# **Image Acquisition Mode**

The MT9P017 supports the electronic rolling shutter (ERS) mode. This is the normal mode of operation. When the MT9P017 is streaming, it generates frames at a fixed rate, and each frame is integrated (exposed) using the ERS. When the ERS is in use, timing and control logic within the sensor sequences through the rows of the array, resetting and then reading each row in turn. In the time interval between resetting a row and subsequently reading that row, the pixels in the row integrate incident light. The integration (exposure) time is controlled by varying the time between row reset and row readout. For each row in a frame, the time between row reset and row readout is fixed, leading to a uniform integration time across the frame. When the integration time is changed (by using the two-wire serial interface to change register settings), the timing and control logic controls the transition from old to new integration time in such a way that the stream of output frames from the MT9P017 switches cleanly from the old integration time to the new while only generating frames with uniform integration. See "Changes to Integration time" in the MT9P017 Register Reference.

#### **Window Control**

The sequencing of the pixel array is controlled by the x\_addr\_start, y\_addr\_start, x\_addr\_end, and y\_addr\_end registers. For both parallel and serial CCP2/MIPI interfaces, the output image size is controlled by the x\_output\_size and y\_output\_size registers.

## **Pixel Border**

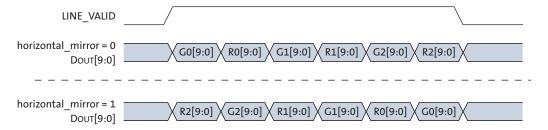
The default settings of the sensor provide a 2592H x 1944V image. A border of up to 8 pixels (4 in binning) on each edge can be enabled by reprogramming the x\_addr\_start, y\_addr\_start, x\_addr\_end, y\_addr\_end, x\_output\_size, and y\_output\_size registers accordingly.

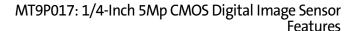
## **Readout Modes**

#### **Horizontal Mirror**

When the horizontal\_mirror bit is set in the image\_orientation register, the order of pixel readout within a row is reversed, so that readout starts from x\_addr\_end and ends at x\_addr\_start. Figure 19 on page 41 shows a sequence of 6 pixels being read out with horizontal\_mirror = 0 and horizontal\_mirror = 1. Changing horizontal\_mirror causes the Bayer order of the output image to change; the new Bayer order is reflected in the value of the pixel order register.

Figure 19: Effect of horizontal\_mirror on Readout Order



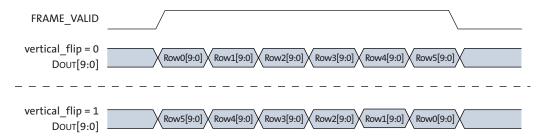




## **Vertical Flip**

When the vertical\_flip bit is set in the image\_orientation register, the order in which pixel rows are read out is reversed, so that row readout starts from y\_addr\_end and ends at y\_addr\_start. Figure 20 shows a sequence of 6 rows being read out with vertical\_flip = 0 and vertical\_flip = 1. Changing vertical\_flip causes the Bayer order of the output image to change; the new Bayer order is reflected in the value of the pixel\_order register.

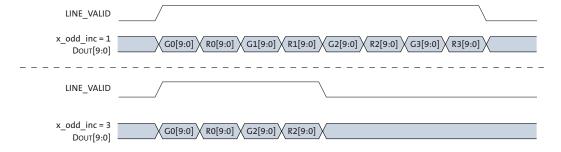
Figure 20: Effect of vertical flip on Readout Order



## Subsampling

The MT9P017 supports subsampling. Subsampling reduces the amount of data processed by the analog signal chain in the MT9P017 thereby allowing the frame rate to be increased. Subsampling is enabled by setting  $x_odd_inc$  and/or  $y_odd_inc$ . Values of 1, 3, and 7 can be supported. Setting both of these variables to 3 reduces the amount of row and column data processed and is equivalent to the 2 x 2 skipping readout mode provided by the MT9P017. Setting  $x_odd_inc = 3$  and  $y_odd_inc = 3$  results in a quarter reduction in output image size. Figure 21 shows a sequence of 8 columns being read out with  $x_odd_inc = 3$  and  $y_odd_inc = 1$ .

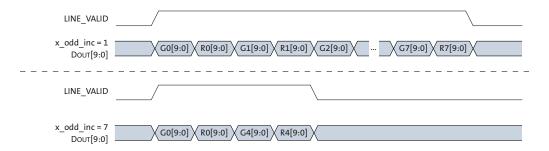
Figure 21: Effect of x\_odd\_inc = 3 on Readout Sequence



A 1/16 reduction in resolution is achieved by setting both x\_odd\_inc and y\_odd\_inc to 7. This is equivalent to 4 x 4 skipping readout mode provided by the MT9P017. Figure 22 shows a sequence of 16 columns being read out with x\_odd\_inc = 7 and y\_odd\_inc = 1.



Figure 22: Effect of x\_odd\_inc = 7 on Readout Sequence



The effect of the different subsampling settings on the pixel array readout is shown in Figure 23 through Figure 25 on page 44.

Figure 23: Pixel Readout (No Subsampling)

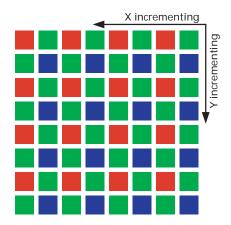


Figure 24: Pixel Readout (x\_odd\_inc = 3, y\_odd\_inc = 3)

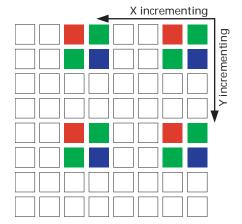
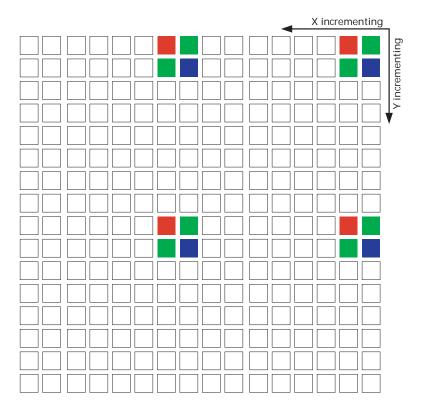




Figure 25: Pixel Readout (x\_odd\_inc = 7, y\_odd\_inc = 7)



### **Programming Restrictions when Subsampling**

When subsampling is enabled as a viewfinder mode and the sensor is switched back and forth between full resolution and subsampling, Aptina recommends that line\_length\_pck be kept constant between the two modes. This allows the same integration times to be used in each mode.

When subsampling is enabled, it may be necessary to adjust the x\_addr\_end, x\_addr\_star, y\_addr\_start, and y\_addr\_end settings: the values for these registers are required to correspond with rows/columns that form part of the subsampling sequence. The adjustment should be made in accordance with these rules:

```
x_skip_factor = (x_odd_inc + 1) / 2
y_skip_factor = (y_odd_inc + 1) / 2
```

- x\_addr\_start should be a multiple of x\_skip\_factor \* 4
- (x addr end x addr start + x odd inc) should be a multiple of x skip factor \* 4
- (y\_addr\_end y\_addr\_start + y\_odd\_inc) should be a multiple of y\_skip\_factor \* 4

The number of columns/rows read out with subsampling can be found from the equation below:

• columns/rows = (addr\_end - addr\_start + odd\_inc) / skip\_factor



## Example:

The sensor is set up to give out a full resolution 2592 x 1944 image:

[full resolution starting address with (8,8)]

```
//GROUPED PARAMETER HOLD
REG = 0x0104, 1
                                  //X ODD INC
REG = 0x0382, 1
                                  //Y ODD INC
REG = 0x0386, 1
                                  //X ADDR START
REG = 0x0344, 8
REG = 0x0346, 8
                                  //Y ADDR START
REG = 0x0348, 2599
                                  //X ADDR END
                                  //Y_ADDR END
REG = 0x034A, 1951
                                  //X OUTPUT SIZE
REG = 0x034C, 2592
                                  //Y OUTPUT SIZE
REG = 0x034E, 1944
REG = 0x0104, 0
                                  //GROUPED PARAMETER HOLD
```

To halve the resolution in each direction (1296 x 972), the registers need to be reprogrammed as follows:

## [2 x 2 skipping starting address with (8,8)]

```
REG = 0x0104.1
                                   //GROUPED PARAMETER HOLD
REG = 0x0382.3
                                   //X ODD INC
REG = 0x0386, 3
                                   //Y ODD INC
                                   //X ADDR START
REG = 0x0344, 8
REG = 0x0346, 8
                                   //Y ADDR START
                                   //X ADDR END
REG = 0x0348, 2597
REG = 0x034A, 1949
                                   //Y ADDR END
REG = 0x034C, 1296
                                   //X OUTPUT SIZE
                                   //Y OUTPUT SIZE
REG = 0x034E, 972
                                   //GROUPED PARAMETER HOLD
REG = 0x0104, 0
```

To quarter the resolution in each direction (648 x 486), the registers need to be reprogrammed as follows:

## [4 x 4 skipping starting address with (8,8)]

```
//GROUPED PARAMETER_HOLD
REG = 0x0104.1
REG = 0x0382, 7
                                    //X ODD INC
REG = 0x0386, 7
                                    //Y ODD INC
REG = 0x0344, 8
                                    //X ADDR START
REG = 0x0346, 8
                                    //Y ADDR START
REG = 0x0348, 2593
                                    //X ADDR END
                                    //Y_ADDR END
REG = 0x034A, 1945
                                    //X OUTPUT SIZE
REG = 0x034C, 648
                                    //Y OUTPUT SIZE
REG = 0x034E, 486
                                    //GROUPED PARAMETER HOLD
REG = 0x0104, 0
```



Table 12 shows the row or column address sequencing for normal and subsampled readout. In the 2X skip case, there are two possible subsampling sequences (because the subsampling sequence only reads half of the pixels) depending upon the alignment of the start address. Similarly, there will be four possible subsampling sequences in the 4X skip case (though only the first two are shown in Table 12).

Table 12: Row Address Sequencing During Subsampling

odd_inc = 1—Normal	odd_inc = 3, 2X Skip	odd_inc = 7, 4X Skip
start = 0	start = 0	start = 0
0	0	0
1	1	1
2		
3		
4	4	
5	5	
6		
7		
8	8	8
9	9	9
10		
11		
12	12	
13	13	
14		
15		

#### **Binning**

The MT9P017 supports  $2 \times 1$  (column binning, also called x-binning) and  $2 \times 2$  analog binning (row/column binning, also called xy-binning). Binning has many of the same characteristics as subsampling, but because it gathers image data from all pixels in the active window (rather than a subset of them), it achieves superior image quality and avoids the aliasing artifacts that can be a characteristic side effect of subsampling.

Binning is enabled by selecting the appropriate subsampling settings (odd\_inc = 3 and y\_odd\_inc = 1 for x-binning, x\_odd\_inc = 3 and y\_odd\_inc = 3 for xy-binning) and setting the appropriate binning bit in read\_mode (R0x3040–1). As with subsampling, x\_addr\_end and y\_addr\_end may require adjustment when binning is enabled. It is the first of the two columns/rows binned together that should be the end column/row in binning, so the requirements to the end address are exactly the same as in non-binning subsampling mode. The effect of the different subsampling settings is shown in Figure 26 and Figure 27 on page 47.

Binning can also be enabled when the 4X subsampling mode is enabled (x\_odd\_inc = 7 and y\_odd\_inc = 1 for x-binning, x\_odd\_inc = 7 and y\_odd\_inc = 7 for xy-binning). In this mode, however, not all pixels will be used so this is not a 4X binning implementation. An implementation providing a combination of skip2 and bin2 is used to achieve 4X subsampling with better image quality. The effect of this subsampling mode is shown in Figure 28 on page 48.

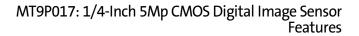




Figure 26: Pixel Readout (x\_odd\_inc = 3, y\_odd\_inc = 1, x\_bin = 1)

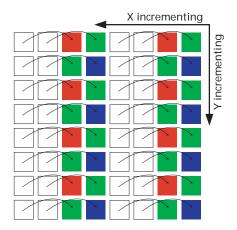


Figure 27: Pixel Readout (x\_odd\_inc = 3, y\_odd\_inc = 3, xy\_bin = 1)

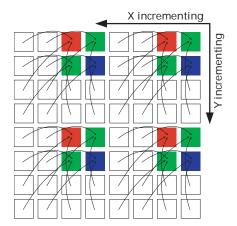
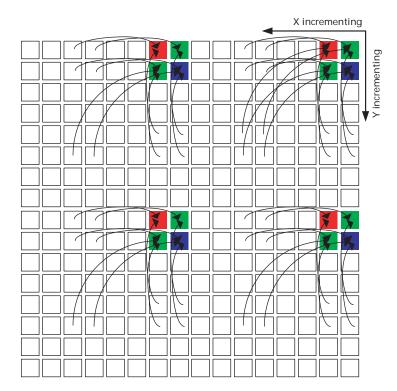




Figure 28: Pixel Readout (x\_odd\_inc = 7, y\_odd\_inc = 7, xy\_bin = 1)



Binning address sequencing is a bit more complicated than during subsampling only, because of the implementation of the binning itself.

For a given column n, there is only one other column, n\_bin, that can be binned with, because of physical limitations in the column readout circuitry. The possible address sequences are shown in Table 13.

Table 13: Column Address Sequencing During Binning

odd_inc = 1—Normal	odd_inc = 3, 2X Bin	odd_inc = 7, 2X Skip + 2XBin
x_addr_start = 0	x_addr_start = 0	x_addr_start = 0
0	0/2	0/4
1	1/3	1/5
2		
3		
4	4/6	
5	5/7	
6		
7		
8	8/10	8/12
9	9/11	9/13
10		
11		
12	12/14	
13	13/15	
14		
15		



There are no physical limitations on what can be binned together in the row direction. A given row n will always be binned with row n+2 in 2X subsampling mode and with row n+4 in 4X subsampling mode. Therefore, which rows get binned together depends upon the alignment of  $y_addr_start$ . The possible sequences are shown in Table 14.

Table 14: Row Address Sequencing During Binning

odd_inc = 1—Normal	odd_inc = 3, 2X Bin	odd_inc = 7, 2X Skip + 2X Bin
x_addr_start = 0	x_addr_start = 0	x_addr_start = 0
0	0/2	0/4
1	1/3	1/5
2		
3		
4	4/6	
5	5/7	
6		
7		
8	8/10	8/12
9	9/11	9/13
10		
11		
12	12/14	
13	13/15	
14		
15		

# **Programming Restrictions when Binning**

Binning requires different sequencing of the pixel array and imposes different timing limits on the operation of the sensor. In particular, xy-binning requires two read operations from the pixel array for each line of output data, which has the effect of increasing the minimum line blanking time. The SMIA specification cannot accommodate this variation because its parameter limit registers are defined as being static.

As a result, when xy-binning is enabled, some of the programming limits declared in the parameter limit registers are no longer valid. In addition, the default values for some of the manufacturer-specific registers need to be reprogrammed. See section "Minimum Frame Time" on page 52, section "Minimum Row Time" on page 52, and section "Fine Integration Time Limits" on page 53.

Table 15: Readout Modes

Readout Modes	x_odd_inc, y_odd_inc	xy_bin
2x skip	3	0
2x bin	3	1
4x skip	7	0
2x skip + 2x bin	7	1



#### Scaler

Scaling is a "zoom out" operation to reduce the size of the output image while covering the same extent as the original image. Each scaled output pixel is calculated by taking a weighted average of a group of input pixels which is composed of neighboring pixels. The input and output of the scaler is in Bayer format.

When compared to skipping, scaling is advantageous because it uses all pixel values to calculate the output image which helps avoid aliasing. Also, it is also more convenient than binning because the scale factor varies smoothly and the user is not limited to certain ratios of size reduction.

The MT9P017 sensor is capable of horizontal scaling and full (horizontal and vertical) scaling.

```
(Scale\ Factor = Scale\_n/scale\_m = 16/scale\_m) (EQ 5)
```

The scaling factor, programmable in 1/16 steps, is used for horizontal and vertical scalers.

The scale factor is determined by:

- n, which is fixed at 16
- m, which is adjustable with register R0x0404
- Legal values for m are 16 through 256, giving the user the ability to scale from 1:1 (m=16) to 1:16 (m=256).

For example, when horizontal and vertical scaling is enabled for a 1:2 scale factor, an image is reduced by half in both the horizontal and vertical directions. This results in an output image that is one-fourth of the original image size. This can be achieved with the following register settings:

```
R0x0400 = 0x0002 // horizontal and vertical scaling mode R0x0402 = 0x0020 // scale factor m = 32
```



## **Frame Rate Control**

The formulas for calculating the frame rate of the MT9P017 are shown below.

The line length is programmed directly in pixel clock periods through register line\_length\_pck. For a specific window size, the minimum line length can be found from in Equation 6:

$$minimum\ line\_length\_pck = \left(\frac{x\_addr\_end - x\_addr\_start + l}{subsampling\ factor} + min\_line\_blanking\_pck\right) \tag{EQ 6}$$

Note that line\_length\_pck also needs to meet the minimum line length requirement set in register min\_line\_length\_pck. The row time can either be limited by the time it takes to sample and reset the pixel array for each row, or by the time it takes to sample and read out a row. Values for min\_line\_blanking\_pck are provided in "Minimum Row Time" on page 52.

The frame length is programmed directly in number of lines in the register frame\_line\_length. For a specific window size, the minimum frame length can be found in Equation 7:

$$minimum\ frame\_length\_lines = \left( \frac{y\_addr\_end - y\_addr\_start + 1}{subsampling\ factor} + min\_frame\_blanking\_lines \right) \ \ (EQ.7)$$

The frame rate can be calculated from these variables and the pixel clock speed as shown in Equation 8:

$$frame \ rate = \frac{vt\_pixel\_clock\_mhz \ x \ 1 \ x \ 10^6}{line\_length\_pck\_x \ frame\_length\_lines}$$
 (EQ 8)

If coarse\_integration\_time is set larger than frame\_length\_lines the frame size will be expanded to coarse\_integration\_time + 1.



## **Minimum Row Time**

The minimum row time and blanking values with default register settings are shown in Table 16.

Table 16: Minimum Row Time and Blanking Numbers

	No Row Binning				Row Binning	
row_speed[2:0]	1	2	4	1	2	4
min_line_blanking_pck	0x03C6	0x0271	0x01C6	0x062C	0x0384	0x0230
min_line_length_pck	0x0508	0x03B8	0x0308	0x0830	0x04C8	0x0370

In addition, enough time must be given to the output FIFO so it can output all data at the set frequency within one row time.

There are therefore three checks that must all be met when programming line\_length\_pck:

- line\_length\_pck > min\_line\_length\_pck in Table 16.
- line\_length\_pck  $\geq$  (x\_addr\_end x\_addr\_start + x\_odd\_inc)/((1+x\_odd\_inc)/2) + min\_line\_blanking\_pck in Table 16.
- The row time must allow the FIFO to output all data during each row. That is, line\_length\_pck ≥ (x\_output\_size \* 2 + 0x005E) \* "vt\_pix\_clk period" / "op\_pix\_clk period"

## **Minimum Frame Time**

The minimum number of rows in the image is 2, so min\_frame\_length\_lines will always equal (min\_frame\_blanking\_lines + 2).

Table 17: Minimum Frame Time and Blanking Numbers

	No Row Binning	Row Binning
min_frame_blanking_lines	0x004D	0x0053
min_frame_length_lines	0x005D	0x0059

# **Integration Time**

The integration (exposure) time of the MT9P017 is controlled by the fine integration time and coarse integration time registers.

The limits for the fine integration time are defined by:

$$fine\_integration\_time\_min \le fine\_integration\_time \le (line\_length\_pck -$$
 (EQ 9) 
$$fine\_integration\_time\_max\_margin)$$

The limits for the coarse integration time are defined by:

$$coarse\_integration\_time\_min \le coarse\_integration\_time$$
 (EQ 10)



The actual integration time is given by:

$$integration\_time = \frac{((coarse\_integration\_time*line\_length\_pck) + fine\_integration\_time)}{(vt\_pix\_clk\_freq\_mhz*10^{6})}$$
(EQ 11)

It is required that:

$$coarse\_integration\_time \leq (frame\_length\_lines - coarse\_integration\_time\_max\_margin) \tag{EQ 12}$$

If this limit is broken, the frame time will automatically be extended to *coarse\_integration\_time* + *coarse\_integration\_time\_max\_margin* to accommodate the larger integration time.

In binning mode, <code>frame\_length\_lines</code> should be set larger than <code>coarse\_integration\_time</code> by at least 3 to avoid column imbalance artifact.

# **Fine Integration Time Limits**

The limits for the *fine\_integration\_time* can be found from *fine\_integration\_time\_min* and *fine\_integration\_time\_max\_margin*. Values for different mode combinations are shown in Table 18.

Table 18: fine\_integration\_time Limits

	No Row Binning				Row Binning	
row_speed[2:0]	1	1 2 4			2	4
fine_integration_time_min	0x02CE	0x0178	0x006E	0x0570	0x02C8	0x00C2
fine_integration_time_max_margin	0x0159	0x00AD	0x00AD	0x02B9	0x015D	0x0149

# fine correction

For the *fine\_integration\_time* limits, the *fine\_correction* constant will change with the pixel clock speed and binning mode. It is necessary to change fine\_correction (R0x3010) when binning is enabled or the pixel clock divider (row\_speed[2:0]) is used. The corresponding fine correction values are shown in Table 19.

Table 19: fine correction Values

	No Row Binning				Row Binning	
row_speed[2:0]	1	2	4	1	2	4
fine_correction	0x00A0	0x004A	0x001F	0x0140	0x009A	0x0047



# **Flash Timing Control**

The MT9P017 supports both xenon and LED flash timing through the FLASH output signal. The timing of the FLASH signal with the default settings is shown in Figure 29 (xenon) and Figure 30 (LED). The flash and flash\_count registers allow the timing of the flash to be changed. The flash can be programmed to fire only once, delayed by a few frames when asserted, and (for xenon flash) the flash duration can be programmed.

Enabling the LED flash will cause one bad frame, where several of the rows only have the flash on for part of their integration time. This can be avoided either by first enabling mask bad frames (write reset\_register[9] = 1) before the enabling the flash or by forcing a restart (write reset\_register[1] = 1) immediately after enabling the flash; the first bad frame will then be masked out, as shown in Figure 30 on page 54. Read-only bit flash[14] is set during frames that are correctly integrated; the state of this bit is shown in Figures 29 and Figure 30.

Figure 29: Xenon Flash Enabled

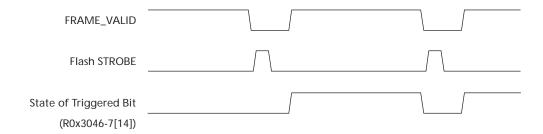
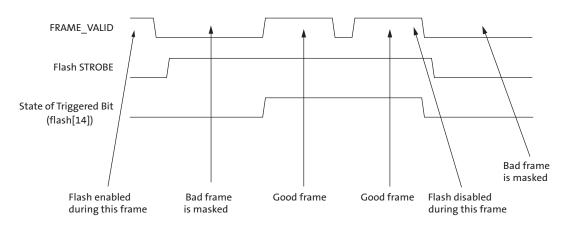


Figure 30: LED Flash Enabled



Note: An option to invert the flash output signal through R0x3046[7] is also available.



# **Analog Gain**

The MT9P017 provides two mechanisms for setting the analog gain. The first uses the SMIA gain model; the second uses the traditional Aptina Imaging gain model. The following sections describe both models, the mapping between the models, and the operation of the per-color and global gain control.

# **Using Per-color or Global Gain Control**

The read-only analogue\_gain\_capability register returns a value of "1," indicating that the MT9P017 provides per-color gain control. However, the MT9P017 also provides the option of global gain control. Per-color and global gain control can be used interchangeably. A write to a global gain register is aliased as a write of the same data to the four associated color-dependent gain registers. A read from a global gain register is aliased to a read of the associated greenR gain register.

The read/write gain\_mode register required by SMIA has no defined function. In the MT9P017, this register has no side-effects on the operation of the gain; per-color and global gain control can be used interchangeably regardless of the state of the gain\_mode register.

#### **SMIA Gain Model**

The SMIA gain model uses these registers to set the analog gain:

- analogue\_gain\_code\_global
- · analogue\_gain\_code\_greenR
- · analogue\_gain\_code\_red
- · analogue\_gain\_code\_blue
- analogue\_gain\_code\_greenB

The SMIA gain model requires a uniform step size between all gain settings. The analog gain is given by:

$$gain = \frac{analogue\_gain\_m0 \times analogue\_gain\_code}{analogue\_gain\_cI} = \frac{analogue\_gain\_code\_< color>}{8}$$
 (EQ 13)



## **Aptina Gain Model**

The Aptina gain model uses these registers to set the analog gain:

- global\_gain
- green1\_gain
- red\_gain
- blue\_gain
- green2\_gain

The MT9P017 uses 11 bits analog gain control. The analog gain is given by:

$$\label{eq:column_gain} Fotal\ gain\ =\ Column\_gain \times ASC\_gain \times Initial\_gain$$

$$= \langle \text{color} \rangle_{\text{gain}[11:10]} \times \langle \text{color} \rangle_{\text{gain}[9:8]} \times \frac{\langle \text{color} \rangle_{\text{gain}[6:0]}}{32}$$
(EQ 14)

Valid Values	Column_gain( <color>_gain[11:10])</color>	ASC_gain( <color>_gain[9:8])</color>
2'b00	1X	1X
2'b01	3X	1.3X
2'b10	2X	2X
2'b11	4X	_

As a result, the step size varies depending upon which range the gain is in. Many of the possible gain settings can be achieved in different ways. However, the recommended gain setting is to use the Column\_gain as much as possible instead of using ASC\_gain and Initial\_gain for the desired gain setting, which will result lower noise. for the fine step, the Initial gain should be used with Column\_gain and ASC\_gain.

#### **Gain Code Mapping**

The Aptina gain model maps directly to the underlying structure of the gain stages in the analog signal chain. When the SMIA gain model is used, gain codes are translated into equivalent settings in the Aptina gain model.

When the SMIA gain model is in use and values have been written to the analogue\_gain\_code\_<color> registers, the associated value in the Aptina gain model can be read from the associated <color>\_gain register. In cases where there is more than one possible mapping, the 2X gain stage is enabled to provide the mapping with the lowest noise.

When the Aptina gain model is in use and values have been written to the gain\_<color> registers, data read from the associated analogue\_gain\_code\_<color> register is undefined. The reason for this is that many of the gain codes available in the Aptina Imaging gain model have no corresponding value in the SMIA gain model.

The result of this is that the two gain models can be used interchangeably, but having written gains through one set of registers, those gains should be read back through the same set of registers.



# **Sensor Core Digital Data Path**

## **Test Patterns**

The MT9P017 supports a number of test patterns to facilitate system debug. Test patterns are enabled using test\_pattern\_mode (R0x0600–1). The test patterns are listed in Table 20.

#### Table 20: Test Patterns

test_pattern_mode	Description
0	Normal operation: no test pattern
1	Solid color
2	100% color bars
3	Fade-to-gray color bars
4	PN9 link integrity pattern (only on sensors with serial interface)
256	Walking 1s (10-bits)
257	Walking 1s (8-bits)

Test patterns 0–3 replace pixel data in the output image (the embedded data rows are still present). Test pattern 4 replaces all data in the output image (the embedded data rows are omitted and test pattern data replaces the pixel data).

For all of the test patterns, the MT9P017 registers must be set appropriately to control the frame rate and output timing. This includes:

- · All clock divisors
- x\_addr\_start
- · x\_addr\_end
- · y\_addr\_start
- y\_addr\_end
- frame\_length\_lines
- line\_length\_pck
- x\_output\_size
- y\_output\_size



### **Effect of Data Path Processing on Test Patterns**

Test patterns are introduced early in the pixel data path. As a result, they can be affected by pixel processing that occurs within the data path. This includes:

- · Noise cancellation
- · Black pedestal adjustment
- · Lens and color shading correction

These effects can be eliminated by the following register settings:

- R0x3044-5[10] = 0
- R0x30C0-1[0] = 1
- R0x30D4-5[15] = 0
- R0x31E0-1[0] = 0
- R0x3180-1[15] = 0
- R0x301A–B[3] = 0 (enable writes to data pedestal)
- R0x301E-F = 0x0000 (set data pedestal to "0")
- R0x3780[15] = 0 (turn off lens/color shading correction)

#### Solid Color Test Pattern

In this mode, all pixel data is replaced by fixed Bayer pattern test data. The intensity of each pixel is set by its associated test data register (test\_data\_red, test\_data\_greenR, test\_data\_blue, test\_data\_greenB).

#### 100% Color Bars Test Pattern

In this test pattern, shown in Figure 31 on page 59, all pixel data is replaced by a Bayer version of an 8-color, color-bar chart (white, yellow, cyan, green, magenta, red, blue, black). Each bar is 1/8 of the width of the pixel array (2592/8 = 324 pixels). The pattern repeats after 8\*324 = 2592 pixels.

Each color component of each bar is set to either 0 (fully off) or 0x3FF (fully on for 10-bit data).

The pattern occupies the full height of the output image.

The image size is set by  $x_addr_start$ ,  $x_addr_end$ ,  $y_addr_start$ ,  $y_addr_end$  and may be affected by the setting of  $x_output_size$ ,  $y_output_size$ . The color-bar pattern is disconnected from the addressing of the pixel array, and will therefore always start on the first visible pixel, regardless of the value of  $x_addr_start$ . The number of colors that are visible in the output is dependent upon  $x_addr_end - x_addr_start$  and the setting of  $x_output_size$ : the width of each color bar is fixed at 324 pixels.

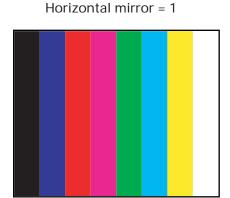
The effect of setting horizontal\_mirror in conjunction with this test pattern is that the order in which the colors are generated is reversed: the black bar appears at the left side of the output image. Any pattern repeat occurs at the right side of the output image regardless of the setting of horizontal\_mirror. The state of vertical\_flip has no effect on this test pattern.

The effect of subsampling, binning and scaling of this test pattern is undefined. Test patterns should be analyzed at full resolution only.



Figure 31: 100 Percent Color Bars Test Pattern





## **Fade-to-gray Color Bars Test Pattern**

In this test pattern, shown in Figure 32 on page 60, all pixel data is replaced by a Bayer version of an 8-color, color-bar chart (white, yellow, cyan, green, magenta, red, blue, black). Each bar is 1/8 of the width of the pixel array (2592/8 = 324 pixels). The test pattern repeats after 2592 pixels.

Each color bar fades vertically from zero or full intensity at the top of the image to 50 percent intensity (mid-gray) on the last row of the pattern. Each color bar is divided into a left and a right half, in which the left half fades smoothly and the right half fades in quantized steps.

The speed at which each color fades is dependent on the sensor's data width and the height of the pixel array. We want half of the data range (from 100 or 0 to 50 percent) difference between the top and bottom of the pattern. Because of the Bayer pattern, each state must be held for two rows.

The rate-of-fade of the Bayer pattern is set so that there is at least one full pattern within a full-sized image for the sensor. Factors that affect this are the resolution of the ADC (10-bit or 12-bit) and the image height.

The image size is set by x\_addr\_start, x\_addr\_end, y\_addr\_start, y\_addr\_end and may be affected by the setting of x\_output\_size, y\_output\_size. The color-bar pattern starts at the first column in the image, regardless of the value of x\_addr\_start. The number of colors that are visible in the output is dependent upon x\_addr\_end - x\_addr\_start and the setting of x\_output\_size: the width of each color bar is fixed at 324 pixels.

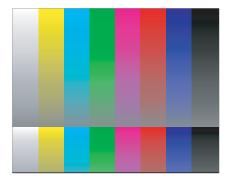
The effect of setting horizontal\_mirror or vertical\_flip in conjunction with this test pattern is that the order in which the colors are generated is reversed: the black bar appears at the left side of the output image. Any pattern repeat occurs at the right side of the output image regardless of the setting of horizontal\_mirror.

The effect of subsampling, binning, and scaling of this test pattern is undefined. Tst patterns should be analyzed at full resolution only.

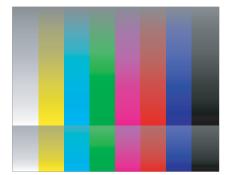


Figure 32: Fade-to-Gray Color Bars Test Pattern

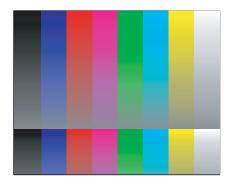
Horizontal mirror = 0, Vertical flip = 0



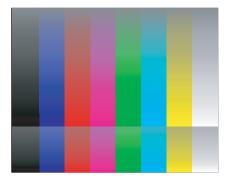
Horizontal mirror = 0, Vertical flip = 1



Horizontal mirror = 1, Vertical flip = 0



Horizontal mirror = 1, Vertical flip = 1



## **PN9 Link Integrity Pattern**

The PN9 link integrity pattern is intended to allow testing of a CCP2 serial pixel data interface. Unlike the other test patterns, the position of this test pattern at the end of the data path means that it is not affected by other data path corrections (row noise, pixel defect correction and so on).

This test pattern provides a 512-bit pseudo-random test sequence to test the integrity of the serial pixel data output stream. The polynomial  $x^9 + x^5 + 1$  is used. The polynomial is initialized to 0x1FF at the start of each frame.

When this test pattern is enabled:

- The embedded data rows are disabled and the value of frame\_format\_decriptor\_1
  changes from 0x1002 to 0x1000 to indicate that no rows of embedded data are
  present.
- The whole output frame, bounded by the limits programmed in x\_output\_size and y\_output\_size, is filled with data from the PN9 sequence.
- The output data format is (effectively) forced into RAW10 mode regardless of the state of the ccp\_data\_format register.

Before enabling this test pattern the clock divisors must be configured for RAW10 operation (op\_pix\_clk\_div = 10).



This polynomial generates this sequence of 10-bit values: 0x1FF, 0x378, 0x1A1, 0x336, 0x385... On the parallel pixel data output, these values are presented 10-bits per PIXCLK. On the serial pixel data output, these values are streamed out sequentially without performing the RAW10 packing to bytes that normally occurs on this interface.

# Walking 1s

When selected, a walking 1s pattern will be sent through the digital pipeline. The first value in each row is 0. Each value will be valid for two pixels.

Figure 33: Walking 1s 10-bit Pattern

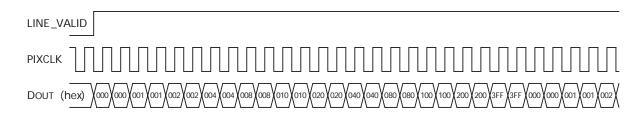
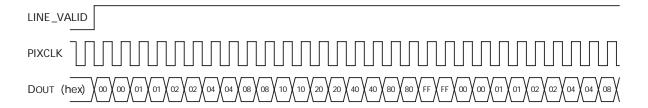


Figure 34: Walking 1s 8-bit Pattern



The walking 1s pattern was implemented to facilitate assembly testing of modules with a parallel interface. The false synchronization code removal imposed by CCP2 serial interfaces mean that this test pattern cannot be carried across a CCP2 link in an unmodified form.

The walking 1 test pattern is not active during the blanking periods; hence the output would reset to a value of 0x0. When the active period starts again, the pattern would restart from the beginning. The behavior of this test pattern is the same between full resolution and subsampling mode. RAW10 and RAW8 walking 1 modes are enabled by different test pattern codes.

#### **Test Cursors**

The MT9P017 supports one horizontal and one vertical cursor, allowing a crosshair to be superimposed on the image or on test patterns 1–3. The position and width of each cursor are programmable in registers 0x31E8–0x31EE. Both even and odd cursor positions and widths are supported.

Each cursor can be inhibited by setting its width to 0. The programmed cursor position corresponds to the x and y addresses of the pixel array. For example, setting horizontal\_cursor\_position to the same value as y\_addr\_start would result in a horizontal cursor being drawn starting on the first row of the image. The cursors are opaque (they replace data from the imaged scene or test pattern). The color of each cursor is set



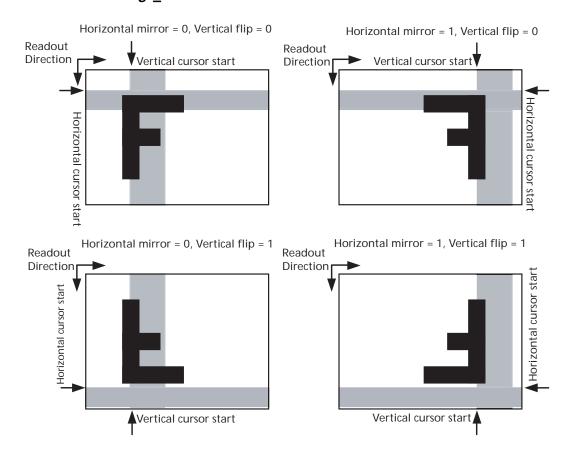
by the values of the Bayer components in the test\_data\_red, test\_data\_greenR, test\_data\_blue and test\_data\_greenB registers. As a consequence, the cursors are the same color as test pattern 1 and are therefore invisible when test pattern 1 is selected.

When vertical\_cursor\_position = 0x0fff, the vertical cursor operates in an automatic mode in which its position advances every frame. In this mode the cursor starts at the column associated with x\_addr\_start = 0 and advances by a step-size of 8 columns each frame, until it reaches the column associated with x\_addr\_start = 2584, after which it wraps (324 steps). The width and color of the cursor in this automatic mode are controlled in the usual way.

The effect of enabling the test cursors when the image\_orientation register is non-zero is not defined by the design specification. The behavior of the MT9P017 is shown in Figure 35 on page 62 and the test cursors are shown as translucent, for clarity. In practice, they are opaque (they overlay the imaged scene). The manner in which the test cursors are affected by the value of image\_orientation can be understood from these implementation details:

- The test cursors are inserted last in the data path, the cursor is applied without any sensor corrections.
- The drawing of a cursor starts when the pixel array row or column address is within the address range of cursor start to cursor start + width.
- The cursor is independent of image orientation.

Figure 35: Test Cursor Behavior with image\_orientation





# **Digital Gain**

Integer digital gains in the range 1–7 can be programmed.

# **Pedestal**

This block adds the value from R0x0008–9 or (data\_pedestal\_) to the incoming pixel value.

The data\_pedestal register is read-only by default but can be made read/write by clearing the lock\_reg bit in R0x301A–B.

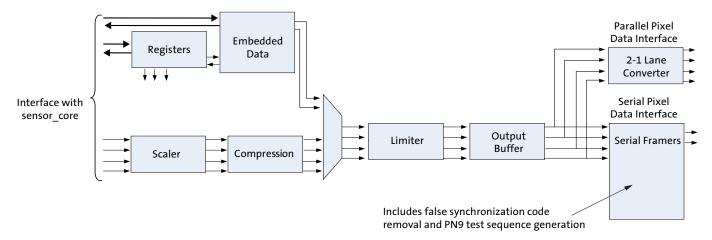
The only way to disable the effect of the pedestal is to set it to 0.



# **Digital Data Path**

The digital data path after the sensor core is shown in Figure 36.

Figure 36: Data Path



## **Embedded Data Format and Control**

When the serial pixel data path is selected, the first two rows of the output image contain register values that are appropriate for the image. The 12-bit format places the data byte in bits [11:4] and sets bits [3:0] to a constant value of 0101. Some register values are dynamic and may change from frame to frame. Additional information on the format of the embedded data can be located in the SMIA specification.



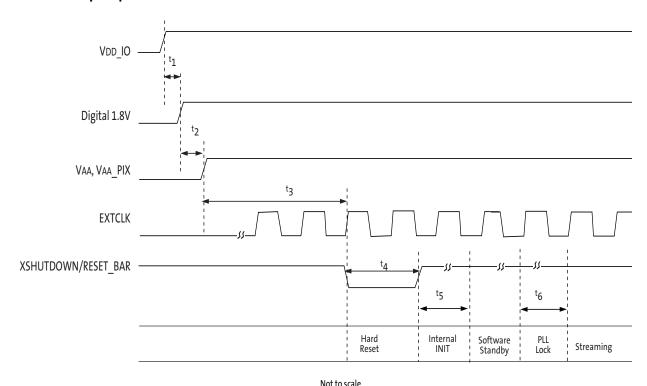
# **Timing Specifications**

# **Power-Up Sequence**

The recommended power-up sequence for the MT9P017 is shown in Figure 37. The available power supplies—VDD\_IO, Digital 1.8V power, VAA, VAA\_PIX—can be turned on at the same time or have the separation specified below.

- 1. Turn on VDD\_IO power supply.
- 2. After 0–500ms, turn on Digital 1.8V power supply.
- 3. After 0–500ms, turn on VAA/VAA PIX power supplies.
- 4. After the last power supply is stable, enable EXTCLK.
- 5. After 1ms, de-assert (LOW) XSHUTDOWN/RESET\_BAR and after 1ms assert (HIGH) XSHUTDOWN/RESET\_BAR.
- 6. Wait 2400 EXTCLKs for internal initialization into software standby.
- 7. Configure PLL, output, and image settings to desired values
- 8. Set mode select = 1 (R0x0100).
- 9. Wait 1ms for the PLL to lock before streaming state is reached.

Figure 37: Power-Up Sequence





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Table 21: Power-Up Sequence

Definition	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
VDD_IO to digital 1.8V power time	<sup>t</sup> 1	0	_	500	ms
Digital 1.8V power to VAA/VAA_PIX time	<sup>t</sup> 2	0	_	500	ms
Running EXTCLK to Hard Reset assertion	t <sub>3</sub>	1	_	_	ms
Active hard reset	<sup>t</sup> 4	1	_	_	ms
Internal initialization	<sup>t</sup> 5	2400	_	_	EXTCLKs
PLL lock time	<sup>t</sup> 6	1	1	1	ms

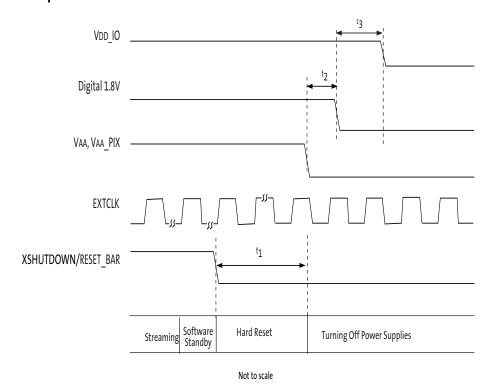
Note: Digital supplies must be turned on before analog supplies.

## **Power-Down Sequence**

The recommended power-down sequence for the MT9P017 is shown in Figure 38. The available power supplies—VDD\_IO, Digital 1.8V power, VAA, VAA\_PIX—can be turned off at the same time or have the separation specified below.

- 1. Disable streaming if output is active by setting mode\_select = 0 (R0x0100).
- 2. The soft standby state is reached after the current row or frame, depending on configuration, has ended.
- 3. Assert hard reset by setting XSHUTDOWN/RESET\_BAR to a logic "0."
- 4. Turn off the VAA/VAA\_PIX power supplies.
- 5. After 0–500ms, turn off Digital 1.8V power supply.
- 6. After 0-500ms, turn off VDD\_IO power supply.

Figure 38: Power-Down Sequence





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Table 22: Power-Down Sequence

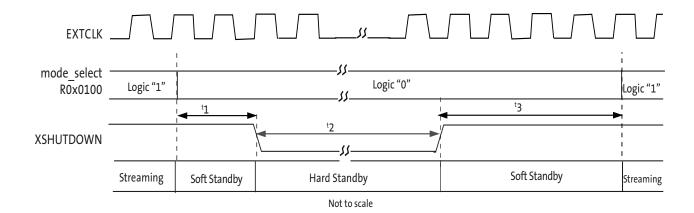
Definition	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
XSHUTDOWN/RESET_BAR to VAA/VAA_PIX	<sup>t</sup> 1	0	_	500	ms
VAA/VAA_PIX to Digital 1.8V time	<sup>t</sup> 2	0	_	500	ms
Digital 1.8V power to VDD_IO time	<sup>t</sup> 3	0	ı	500	ms

# **Hard Standby**

The hard standby state is reached by the assertion of the XSHUTDOWN pad. Register values are not retained by this action, and will be returned to their default values once the sensor enters the hard standby state. The minimum power consumption is achieved by the hard standby state. The details of the sequence for entering Hard Standby and exiting from Hard Standby are described below and shown in Figure 39.

- 1. Disable streaming if output is active by setting mode\_select = 0 (R0x0100).
- 2. The soft standby state is reached after the current row or frame, depending on configuration, has ended.
- 3. Assert XSHUTDOWN (active LOW) to reset the sensor.
- 4. The sensor remains in hard standby state if XSHUTDOWN remains in the logic "0" state.
- 5. De-assert XSHUTDOWN.
- 6. The sensor will be in soft standby.
- 7. Configure the sensor by programming necessary registers by the serial pixel data interface while in soft standby.
- 8. Enable streaming by setting mode\_select = 0(R0x0100)

Figure 39: Hard Standby





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Table 23: Hard Standby

Definition	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Soft Standby	<sup>t</sup> 1	1	_	_	ms
Hard Standby	<sup>t</sup> 2	1	-	_	ms
Soft Standby	t <sub>3</sub>	1	_	1	ms

# **Soft Standby and Soft Reset**

The MT9P017 can reduce power consumption by switching to the soft standby state when the output is not needed. Register values are retained in the soft standby state. Once this state is reached, soft reset can be enabled optionally to return all register values back to the default. The details of the sequence are described below and shown in Figure 40.

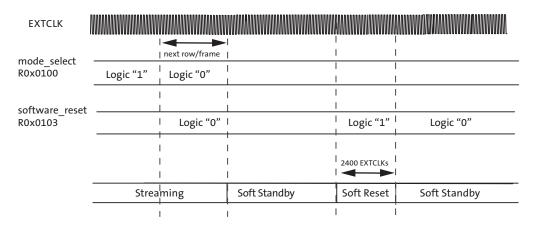
## **Soft Standby**

- 1. Disable streaming if output is active by setting mode\_select = 0 (R0x0100).
- 2. The soft standby state is reached after the current row or frame, depending on configuration, has ended.

#### **Soft Reset**

- 1. Follow the soft standby sequence list above.
- 2. Set  $software\_reset = 1$  (R0x0103) to start the internal initialization sequence.
- 3. After 2400 EXTCLKs, the internal initialization sequence is completed and the current state returns to soft standby automatically. All registers, including software\_reset, return to their default values.

Figure 40: Soft Standby and Soft Reset



#### **Internal VCM Driver**

The MT9P017 utilizes an internal Voice Coil Motor (VCM) driver. The VCM functions are register-controlled through the serial interface.

There are two output ports, VCM\_OUT and GNDIO\_VCM, which would connect directly to the AF actuator.

Take precautions in the design of the power supply routing to provide a low impedance path for the ground return. Appropriate filtering would also be required on the actuator supply. Typical values would be a  $0.1\mu F$  and  $10\mu F$  in parallel.



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Figure 41: VCM Driver Typical Diagram

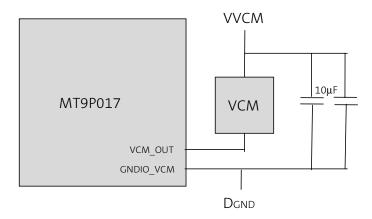


Table 24: VCM Driver Typical

Characteristic	Parameter	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
VCM_OUT	Voltage at VCM current sink	TBD	TBD	TBD	V
WVCM	Voltage at VCM actuator	TBD	TBD	TBD	V
INL	Relative accuracy	TBD	TBD	TBD	LSB
RES	Resolution	TBD	TBD	TBD	bits
DNL	Differential nonlinearity	TBD	TBD	TBD	LSB
IVCM	IVCM Output current		TBD	TBD	mA
	Slew rate	TBD	TBD	TBD	mA/μs

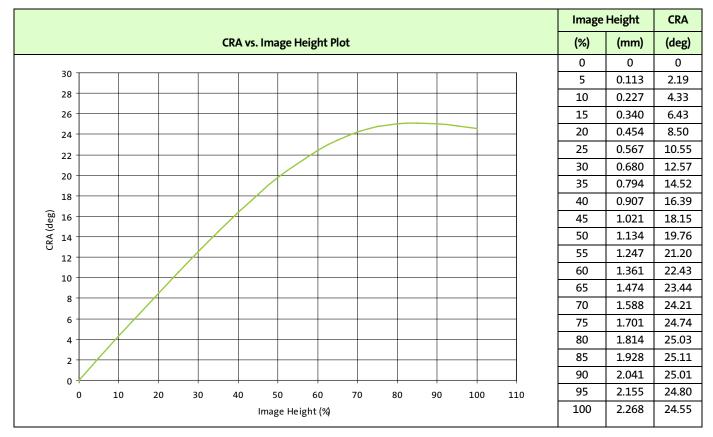


# **Spectral Characteristics**

Figure 42: Quantum Efficiency



Figure 43: Chief Ray Angle (CRA) vs. Image Height



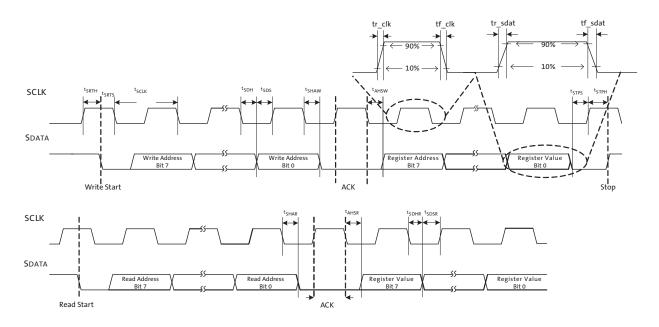


# **Electrical Characteristics**

# **Two-Wire Serial Register Interface**

The electrical characteristics of the two-wire serial register interface (SCLK, SDATA) are shown in Figure 44 and Table 25, "Two-Wire Serial Register Interface Timing Specification," on page 72. The SCLK and SDATA signals feature failsafe input protection, Schmitt trigger input, and suppression of input pulses of less than 50ns.

Figure 44: Two-Wire Serial Bus Timing Parameters



Note: Read sequence: For an 8-bit READ, read waveforms start after WRITE command and register address are issued.

Table 25: Two-Wire Serial Register Interface Timing Specification

<sup>f</sup>EXTCLK = 24 MHz; REG\_IN= 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load = 68.5pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	MIN	TYP	MAX	Unit
VIL	Input LOW voltage		TBD	TBD	TBD	V
lin	Input leakage current	No pull up resistor; Vin = VDD_IO or DGND	TBD		TBD	μА
Vol	Output LOW voltage	At specified 2mA	TBD	TBD	TBD	V
lol	Output LOW current	At specified Vol 0.1V			TBD	mA
f <sub>SCLK</sub>	Serial interface input clock		0	100	400	KHz
	SCLK duty cycle	Vod	45	50	60	%
t <sub>R</sub>	SCLK/SDATA rise time				TBD	μs
t <sub>SRTS</sub>	Start setup time	WRITE/READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>SRTH</sub>	Start hold time	WRITE/READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>SDH</sub>	Sdata hold	WRITE	TBD			μs
t <sub>SDS</sub>	SDATA setup	WRITE	TBD			μs
t <sub>SHAW</sub>	SDATA hold to ACK	WRITE	TBD			μs

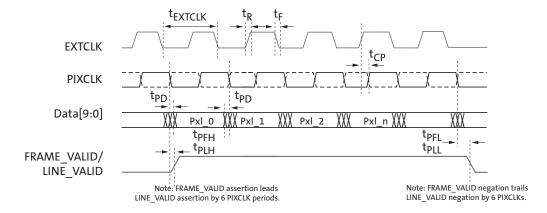


# Table 25: Two-Wire Serial Register Interface Timing Specification

<sup>f</sup>EXTCLK = 24 MHz; REG\_IN= 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load = 68.5pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	MIN	TYP	MAX	Unit
t <sub>AHSW</sub>	ACK hold to SDATA	WRITE	TBD			μs
t <sub>STPS</sub>	Stop setup time	WRITE/READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>STPH</sub>	Stop hold time	WRITE/READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>SHAR</sub>	SDATA hold to ACK	READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>AHSR</sub>	ACK hold to SDATA	READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>SDHR</sub>	Sdata hold	READ	TBD			μs
t <sub>SDSR</sub>	SDATA setup	READ	TBD			μs
C <sub>IN</sub>	Input pin capacitance				TBD	pF
C <sub>LOAD</sub>	Load capacitance				TBD	pF
R <sub>SD</sub>	SDATA pull-up resistor			1.5		kΩ

Figure 45: Parallel Data Output Timing Diagram



Note: PLL disabled for <sup>t</sup>CP.



# **EXTCLK**

The electrical characteristics of the EXTCLK input are shown in Table 26. The EXTCLK input supports an AC-coupled sine-wave input clock or a DC-coupled square-wave input clock.

If EXTCLK is AC-coupled to the MT9P017 and the clock is stopped, the EXTCLK input to the MT9P017 must be driven to ground or to VDD\_IO. Failure to do this will result in excessive current consumption within the EXTCLK input receiver.

## Table 26: Electrical Characteristics (EXTCLK)

fextclk = 24 MHz; fpixclk = 84MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load = 68.5pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
f <sub>EXTCLK1</sub>	Input clock frequency	PLL enabled	6		27	MHz
textclk1	Input clock period	PLL enabled	37		167	ns
<sup>t</sup> R	Input clock rise slew rate		TBD			V/ns
<sup>t</sup> F	Input clock fall slew rate		TBD			V/ns
VIN_AC	Input clock minimum voltage swing (AC coupled)		TBD			Vp-p
VIN_DC	Input clock maximum voltage swing (DC coupled)				TBD	V
<sup>f</sup> CLKMAX(AC)	Input clock signaling frequency (low amplitude)	VIN = VIN_AC (MIN)			TBD	MHz
<sup>f</sup> CLKMAX(DC)	Input clock signaling frequency (full amplitude)	VIN = VDD_IO			27	MHz
	Clock duty cycle		45	50	55	%
<sup>t</sup> JITTER	Input clock jitter	cycle-to-cycle			TBD	ps
<sup>t</sup> LOCK	PLL VCO lock time				1	ms
Cin	Input pad capacitance			3		pF
liн	Input HIGH leakage current		TBD		TBD	μΑ
VIH	Input HIGH voltage		TBD		TBD	V
VIL	Input LOW voltage		TBD		TBD	V



# **Parallel Pixel Data Interface**

The electrical characteristics of the parallel pixel data interface (FV, LV, DOUT[9:0], PIXCLK, SHUTTER, and FLASH outputs) are shown in Table 27.

# Table 27: Electrical Characteristics (Parallel Pixel Data Interface)

fextclk = 24 MHz; fpixclk = 84MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load = 68.5pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Vон	Output HIGH voltage	At specified Iон	TBD			V
Vol	Output LOW voltage	At specified IOL			TBD	V
Іон	Output HIGH current	At specified VoH = 1.4V, VDD_IO = 1.8V			TBD	mA
lol	Output LOW current	At specified VoH = 0.4V, VDD_IO = 1.8V			TBD	mA
loz	Tri-state output leakage current				TBD	μΑ
tcp	EXTCLK to PIXCLK propagation delay			TBD		
	Output pin slew (rising)	Default slew rate register settings, CLOAD = 30pF		TBD		V/ns
	Output pin slew (falling)	Default slew rate register settings, CLOAD = 30pF		TBD		V/ns
<sup>t</sup> PD	PIXCLK to data valid	Default		TBD	TBD	ns
<sup>f</sup> PIXCLK	PIXCLK frequency	Default		TBD	TBD	MHz
<sup>t</sup> PFH	PIXCLK to FV HIGH	Default		TBD	TBD	ns
<sup>t</sup> PLH	PIXCLK to LV HIGH	Default		TBD	TBD	ns
<sup>t</sup> PFL	PIXCLK to FV LOW	Default		TBD	TBD	ns
<sup>t</sup> PLL	PIXCLK to LV LOW	Default		TBD	TBD	ns



# **Serial Pixel Data Interface**

The electrical characteristics of the serial pixel data interface (CLK\_P, CLK\_N,DATA0\_P, DATA1\_P, DATA0\_N, and DATA1\_N) are shown in Table 28 and Table 29.

To operate the serial pixel data interface within the electrical limits of the CSI-2 and CCP2 specifications,  $VDD\_IO$  (I/O digital voltage) is restricted to operate in the range 1.7–1.9V.

# Table 28: Electrical Characteristics (Serial CCP2 Pixel Data Interface)

 $fextclk = 24 \ MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V;$ 

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
	Operating frequency			650	MHz
Vcmf	Fixed common mode voltage		TBD		V
Vod	Differential voltage swing		TBD		mV
	Differential current swing				mA
	Output impedance		TBD		Ω
	Output impedance mismatch		TBD		%
	Clock Duty cycle at 416 MHz		TBD		%
<sup>t</sup> R	Rise time (20–80%)		TBD		ps
<sup>f</sup> R	Fall time (20–80%)		TBD		ps
	Differential skew	TBD		TBD	ps
	Channel-to-channel skew			TBD	ps
	Maximum data rate Data/strobe mode Data/clock mode			TBD TBD	Mb/s
	Power supply rejection ratio (0–100 MHz)		TBD		
	Total power consumption (full resolution)		TBD		mW



# Table 29: Electrical Characteristics (Serial MIPI Pixel Data Interface)

fextclk = 24 MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load =10pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
	Operating frequency			840	MHz
Vod	High speed transmit differential voltage		TBD		mV
Vcmtx	High speed transmit static common-mode voltage		TBD		mV
ΔVod	Vod mismatch when output is Differential-1 or Differential-0			TBD	mV
ΔVcmtx	High speed output HIGH voltage			TBD	mV
Zos	Single ended output impedance			TBD	Ω
ΔZos	Single ended output impedance mismatch			TBD	%
ΔVcmtx(l,f)	Common-level variation between 50–450 MHz				%
t <sub>R</sub>	Rise time (20–80%)		TBD		ps
t <sub>F</sub>	Fall time (20–80%)		TBD		ps
Vol	Output LOW level			TBD	mV
Voн	Output HIGH level			TBD	V
ZOLP	Output impedance of low power parameter	TBD			Ω
TRLP	15–85% rise time			TBD	ns
TFLP	15–85% fall time			TBD	ns
∆v/∆dtsr	Slew rate (CLOAD = 5-20pF)				mV/ns
∆v/∆dtsr	Slew rate (CLOAD = 20–70pF)			TBD	mV/ns
	Total power consumption (full resolution)		TBD		mW

# **Control Interface**

The electrical characteristics of the control interface (RESET\_BAR, TEST, GPI0, GPI1, GPI2, and GPI3) are shown in Table 30.

## Table 30: DC Electrical Characteristics (Control Interface)

fextclk = 24 MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output load = 68.5pF; TJ = 70°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
VIH	Input HIGH voltage		TBD		TBD	V
VIL	Input LOW voltage		TBD		TBD	V
lin	Input leakage current	No pull-up resistor; Vin = VDD_IO or DGND	TBD		TBD	μΑ
Cin	Input pad capacitance			3		pF

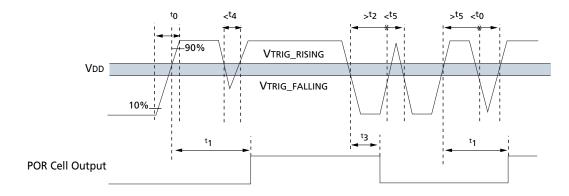


# **Power-On Reset**

**Table 31:** Power-On Reset Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
<sup>t</sup> 1	VDD rising, crossing VTRIG_RISING; Internal reset being released			TBD	TBD	μs
<sup>t</sup> 2	VDD falling, crossing VTRIG_FALLING; Internal reset active			TBD	TBD	μs
<sup>t</sup> 3	Minimum VDD spike width below VTRIG_FALLING; considered to be a reset when POR cell output is HIGH			TBD		μs
<sup>t</sup> 4	Minimum VDD spike width below VTRIG_FALLING; considered to be a reset when POR cell output is LOW			TBD		μs
<sup>t</sup> 5	Minimum VDD spike width above VTRIG_RISING; considered to be a stable supply when POR cell output is LOW	While the POR cell output is LOW, all VDD spikes above VTRIG_RISING less than <sup>t</sup> 5 must be ignored				ns
VTRIG_RISING	VDD rising trigger voltage					V
VTRIG_FALLING	VDD falling trigger voltage					V

Figure 46: Internal Power-On Reset





# **Operating Voltages**

VAA and VAA\_PIX must be at the same potential for correct operation of the MT9P017.

# Table 32: DC Electrical Definitions and Characteristics

fEXTCLK = 24 MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output Load = 68.5pF; TJ = 55°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
VDD	Core digital voltage		1.15	1.2	1.25	V
VDD_PLL	PLL supply voltage		1.15	1.2	1.25	V
REG_IN	1.8V supply voltage		1.7	1.8	1.9	
VDD_TX	PHY digital voltage		1.7	1.8	1.9	V
VDD_IO	I/O digital voltage	Parallel pixel data interface	1.7	1.8	1.9	V
			2.4	2.8	3.1	V
VAA	Analog voltage		2.6	2.8	3.1	V
VAA_PIX	Pixel supply voltage		2.6	2.8	3.1	V
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
IREG_IN	1.8V digital current	Streaming, full resolution Parallel 15 FPS		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	Parallel 15 FF3		TBD	TBD	MA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current			TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current			TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD	TBD	
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	- m A
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
IREG_IN	1.8V digital current	Strooming full recolution			TBD	
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	Streaming, full resolution CCP2 15 FPS		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current	CC12 13113		TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current			TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD	TBD	
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
IREG_IN	1.8V digital current				TBD	^
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	Streaming, full resolution		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current	MIPI 15 FPS		TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current			TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD		
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
IREG_IN	1.8V digital current			TBD	TBD	m ^
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	Streaming, 1296x972		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current	(2X binned) resolution		TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current	Parallel 30 FPS		TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD	TBD	



# Table 32: DC Electrical Definitions and Characteristics (continued)

 $^{\rm f}$ EXTCLK = 24 MHz; REG\_IN = 1.8V; VDD\_TX = 1.8V; VDD\_IO = 1.8V; VAA = 2.8V; VAA\_PIX = 2.8V; Output Load = 68.5pF; TJ = 55°C

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
IREG_IN	1.8V digital current	Stronging 1026v072		TBD	TBD	A
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	Streaming, 1926x972 (2X binned) resolution		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current	CCP2 30 FPS		TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current			TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD	TBD	
IDD	Core digital current			TBD	TBD	
IDD_PLL	PLL supply current			TBD	TBD	
lreg_in	1.8V digital current	Streaming, 1296x972		TBD	TBD	
IDD_TX	PHY digital operating current	(2X binned) resolution MIPI 30 FPS		TBD	TBD	mA
IDD_IO	I/O digital current	7 7 7 7		TBD	TBD	
IAA	Analog current			TBD	TBD	
IAA_PIX	Pixel supply current			TBD	TBD	
	Hard standby (clock on at 24 MHz)					
	Analog Current				TBD	μΑ
	Digital current	STANDBY current when			TBD	
	Hard standby (clock off)	asserting XSHUTDOWN signal				
	Analog Current				TBD	μΑ
	Digital current				TBD	
	Soft standby (clock on at 24 MHz)					
	Analog Current				TBD	μΑ
	Digital current	STANDBY current when			TBD	
	Soft standby (clock off)	asserting R0x100 = 1				
	Analog Current				TBD	μΑ
	Digital current				TBD	1



# **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Caution

Stresses greater than those listed in Table 33 may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect reliability. 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 this specification is not implied.

Table 33: Absolute Maximum Values

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	MIN	TYP	MAX	Unit
VDD_MAX	Core digital voltage				TBD	V
VDD_PLL_MAX	PLL supply voltage				TBD	V
REG_INMAX	1.8V digital voltage				TBD	V
VDD_TX_MAX	PHY digital voltage				TBD	V
VDD_IO_MAX	I/O digital voltage	VDD_IO = 1.8V			TBD	V
		VDD_IO = 2.8V			TBD	
VAA_MAX	Analog voltage				TBD	V
VAA_PIX_MAX	Pixel supply voltage				TBD	V
TOP	Operating temperature	Measured at junction	-30		70	°C
TSTG	Storage temperature		-40		85	°C

# **SMIA and MIPI Specification Reference**

The sensor design and this documentation is based on the following reference documents:

- 4. SMIA Specifications:
  - Functional Specification:
    - SMIA 1.0 Part 1: Functional Specification (Version 1.0 dated 30 June 2004)
    - SMIA 1.0 Part 1: Functional Specification ECR0001 (Version 1.0 dated 11 Feb 2005)
  - Electrical Specification:
    - SMIA 1.0 Part 2: CCP2 Specification (Version 1.0 dated 30 June 2004)
    - SMIA 1.0 Part 2: CCP2 Specification ECR0001 (Version 1.0 dated 11 Feb 2005)
- 5. MIPI Specifications:
  - MIPI Alliance Standard for CSI-2 version 1.0
  - MIPI Alliance Standard for D-PHY version 0.81



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