

Erriez BH1750 library for Arduino

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Chapter 1

BH1750 digital light sensor library for Arduino

This is a 16-bit [BH1750](#) digital ambient light sensor on a GY-302 breakout PCB:

Arduino library features

- Measurement in LUX
- Three operation modes:
 - Continues conversion
 - One-time conversion
- Three selectable resolutions:
 - Low 4 LUX resolution (low power)
 - High 1 LUX resolution
 - High 0.5 LUX resolution
- Asynchronous and synchronous conversion

[BH1750](#) sensor specifications

- Operating voltage: 3.3V .. 4.5V max
- Low current by power down: max 1uA
- I2C bus interface: max 400kHz
- Ambience light:
 - Range: 1 - 65535 lx
 - Deviation: +/- 20%
 - Selectable resolutions:
 - * 4 lx (low resolution, max 24 ms measurement time)
 - * 1 lx (mid resolution max 180 ms measurement time)
 - * 0.5 lx (high resolution 180 ms measurement time)
- No additional electronic components needed

GY-302 breakout specifications

- Supply voltage: 3.3 .. 5V
- 5V tolerant I2C SCL and SDA pins
- 2 selectable I2C addresses with ADDR pin high or low/floating

Hardware

Connection Arduino UNO board - [BH1750](#)

| Pins board - BH1750 | VCC | GND | SDA | SCL |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|------------|------------|
| Arduino UNO (ATMega328 boards) | 5V | GND | A4 | A5 |
| Arduino Mega2560 | 5V | GND | D20 | D21 |
| Arduino Leonardo | 5V | GND | D2 | D3 |
| Arduino DUE (ATSAM3X8E) | 3V3 | GND | 20 | 21 |
| ESP8266 | 3V3 | GND | GPIO4 (D2) | GPIO5 (D1) |
| ESP32 | 3V3 | GND | GPIO21 | GPIO22 |

Note: Tested ESP8266 / ESP32 boards:

- **ESP8266 boards:** ESP12E / WeMos D1 & R2 / Node MCU v2 / v3
- **ESP32 boards:** WeMos LOLIN32 / LOLIN D32

Other unlisted MCU's may work, but are not tested.

WeMos LOLIN32 with OLED display

Change the following Wire initialization to:

```
{c++}
// WeMos LOLIN32 with OLED support
Wire.begin(5, 4);
```

I2C address

- ADDR pin LOW for I2C address 0x23 (0x46 including R/W bit)
- ADDR pin HIGH for I2C address 0x5C (0xB8 including R/W bit)

Note: ADDR pin may be floating (open) which is the same as LOW.

Examples

Examples | Erriez [BH1750](#):

- [ContinuesMode | BH1750ContinuesAsynchronous](#)
- [ContinuesMode | BH1750ContinuesBasic](#)
- [ContinuesMode | BH1750ContinuesHighResolution](#)
- [ContinuesMode | BH1750ContinuesLowResolution](#)
- [ContinuesMode | BH1750ContinuesPowerMgt](#)
- [OneTimeMode | BH1750OneTimeBasic](#)
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Documentation

- [Doxygen online HTML](#)
- [Doxygen PDF](#)
- [BH1750 chip datasheet](#)

Example continues conversion high resolution

```
{c++}
#include <Wire.h>
#include <ErriezBH1750.h>

// ADDR line LOW/open: I2C address 0x23 (0x46 including R/W bit) [default]
// ADDR line HIGH: I2C address 0x5C (0xB8 including R/W bit)
BH1750 sensor(LOW);

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);
  Serial.println(F("BH1750 continues measurement high resolution example"));

  // Initialize I2C bus
  Wire.begin();

  // Initialize sensor in continues mode, high 0.5 lx resolution
  sensor.begin(ModeContinuous, ResolutionHigh);

  // Start conversion
  sensor.startConversion();
}

void loop()
{
  uint16_t lux;

  // Wait for completion (blocking busy-wait delay)
  if (sensor.isConversionCompleted()) {
    // Read light
    lux = sensor.read();

    // Print light
    Serial.print(F("Light: "));
    Serial.print(lux / 2);
    Serial.print(F("."));
    Serial.print(lux % 10);
    Serial.println(F(" LUX"));
  }
}
```

Output

```
{c++}
BH1750 continues measurement high resolution example
Light: 15.0 LUX
Light: 31.2 LUX
Light: 385.0 LUX
Light: 575.1 LUX
Light: 667.5 LUX
```

Usage

Initialization

```
{c++}
#include <Wire.h>
#include <ErriezBH1750.h>

// ADDR line LOW/open: I2C address 0x23 (0x46 including R/W bit) [default]
// ADDR line HIGH:     I2C address 0x5C (0xB8 including R/W bit)
BH1750 sensor(LOW);

void setup()
{
    // Initialize I2C bus
    Wire.begin();

    // Initialize sensor with a mode and resolution:
    // Modes:
    //   ModeContinuous
    //   ModeOneTime
    // Resolutions:
    //   ResolutionLow (4 lx resolution)
    //   ResolutionMid (1 lx resolution)
    //   ResolutionHigh (0.5 lx resolution)
    sensor.begin(mode, resolution);
}
```

Start conversion

```
{Wire.begin(); ``}

``c++
sensor.startConversion();
```

Wait for completion asynchronous (non-blocking)

The sensor conversion completion status can be checked asynchronously before reading the light value:

```
{c++}
bool completed = sensor.isConversionCompleted();
```

Wait for completion synchronous (blocking)

The sensor conversion completion status can be checked synchronously before reading the light value:

```
{c++}
// Wait for completion
// completed = false: Timeout or device in power-down
bool completed = sensor.waitForCompletion();
```


Read light value in LUX

One-time mode: The application must wait or check for a completed conversion, otherwise the sensor may return an invalid value. **Continues mode:** The application can call this function without checking completion, but is not recommended when accurate values are required.

Read sensor light value:

```
{c++}  
// lux = 0: No light or not initialized  
uint16_t lux = sensor.read();
```

For 4 lx low and 1 lx high resolutions:

```
{c++}  
// Print low and medium resolutions  
Serial.print(F("Light: "));  
Serial.print(lux);  
Serial.println(F(" LUX"));
```

For 0.5 lx high resolution:

```
{c++}  
// Print high resolution  
Serial.print(F("Light: "));  
Serial.print(lux / 2);  
Serial.print(F("."));  
Serial.print(lux % 10);  
Serial.println(F(" LUX"));
```

Power down

The device enters power down automatically after a one-time conversion.

A manual power-down in continues mode can be generated by calling:

```
{c++}  
sensor.powerDown();
```

Library dependencies

- Built-in `Wire.h`

Library installation

Please refer to the [Wiki](#) page.

Other Arduino Libraries and Sketches from Erriez

- [Erriez Libraries and Sketches](#)

Chapter 2

Class Index

2.1 Class List

Here are the classes, structs, unions and interfaces with brief descriptions:

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File Index

3.1 File List

Here is a list of all documented files with brief descriptions:

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Class Documentation

4.1 BH1750 Class Reference

BH1750 class.

```
#include <ErriezBH1750.h>
```

Public Member Functions

- **BH1750** (uint8_t addrPinLevel=LOW)
Constructor.
- void **begin** (BH1750_Mode_e mode, BH1750_Resolution_e resolution)
Set mode and resolution.
- void **powerDown** ()
Power down. Call [startConversion\(\)](#) to power-up automatically.
- void **startConversion** ()
Start conversion.
- bool **isConversionCompleted** ()
Wait for completion.
- bool **waitForCompletion** ()
Wait for completion.
- uint16_t **read** ()
Read light level asynchronous from sensor The application is responsible for wait or checking a completed conversion, otherwise the last conversion value may be returned which may not be correct. The last value is also returned when the device is in power-down.

Protected Member Functions

- void **writeInstruction** (uint8_t instruction)
Write instruction to sensor.
- void **setTimestamp** ()
Save current time + minimum delay before reading next conversion in ms.

4.1.1 Detailed Description

[BH1750](#) class.

Definition at line 53 of file ErriezBH1750.h.

4.1.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.1.2.1 BH1750()

```
BH1750::BH1750 (
    uint8_t addrPinLevel = LOW ) [explicit]
```

Constructor.

Parameters

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| <i>addrPinLevel</i> | Sensor I2C address: ADDR pin = LOW: 0x23 (default) ADDR pin = HIGH: 0x5C |
|---------------------|--|

Definition at line 44 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

4.1.3 Member Function Documentation

4.1.3.1 begin()

```
void BH1750::begin (
    BH1750_Mode_e mode,
    BH1750_Resolution_e resolution )
```

Set mode and resolution.

Parameters

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| <i>mode</i> | ModeContinuous for continues mode Continues conversion requires more power ModeOneTime for one-time conversion mode Set in low power when conversion completed |
| <i>resolution</i> | Resolution05Lux for high resolution (max 180ms conversion) Resolution1Lux for normal resolution (max 180ms conversion) Resolution4Lux for low resolution (max 24ms conversion, low power) |

Definition at line 66 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

4.1.3.2 isConversionCompleted()

```
bool BH1750::isConversionCompleted ( )
```

Wait for completion.

Returns

true: Conversion completed false: Conversion busy

Definition at line 105 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

4.1.3.3 read()

```
uint16_t BH1750::read ( )
```

Read light level asynchronous from sensor The application is responsible for wait or checking a completed conversion, otherwise the last conversion value may be returned which may not be correct. The last value is also returned when the device is in power-down.

Returns

Light level in lux (0..65535) In high resolution, the last digit is the remainder

Definition at line 162 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

4.1.3.4 waitForCompletion()

```
bool BH1750::waitForCompletion ( )
```

Wait for completion.

Returns

true: Conversion completed false: Not initialized, or timeout

Definition at line 125 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

4.1.3.5 writeInstruction()

```
void BH1750::writeInstruction (
    uint8_t instruction ) [protected]
```

Write instruction to sensor.

Parameters

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| <i>instruction</i> | Sensor instruction |
|--------------------|--------------------|

Definition at line 215 of file ErriezBH1750.cpp.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- [src/ErriezBH1750.h](#)
- [src/ErriezBH1750.cpp](#)

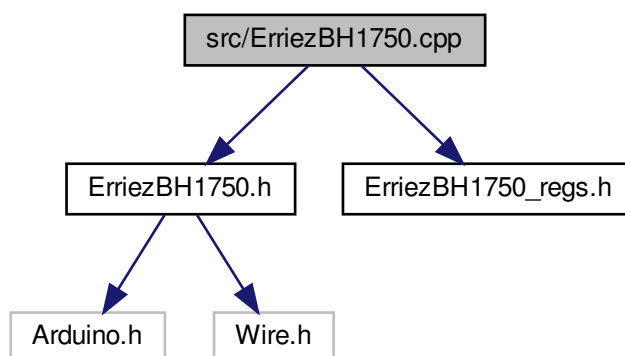
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File Documentation

5.1 src/ErriezBH1750.cpp File Reference

BH1750 digital light sensor library for Arduino.

```
#include "ErriezBH1750.h"  
#include "ErriezBH1750_regs.h"  
Include dependency graph for ErriezBH1750.cpp:
```



5.1.1 Detailed Description

BH1750 digital light sensor library for Arduino.

Source: <https://github.com/Erriez/ErriezBH1750> Documentation: <https://erriez.github.io/ErriezBH1750>

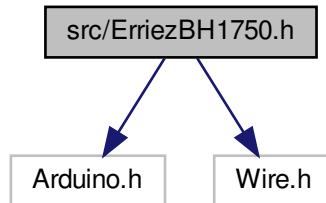
5.2 src/ErriezBH1750.h File Reference

[BH1750](#) digital light sensor library for Arduino.

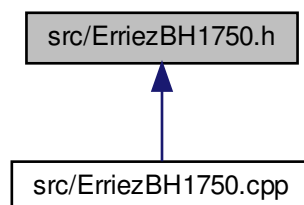
```
#include <Arduino.h>
```

```
#include <Wire.h>
```

Include dependency graph for ErriezBH1750.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



Classes

- class [BH1750](#)
[BH1750](#) class.

Enumerations

- enum [BH1750_Mode_e](#) { [ModeContinuous](#) = 0x10, [ModeOneTime](#) = 0x20 }
Mode register bits.
- enum [BH1750_Resolution_e](#) { [ResolutionLow](#) = 0x03, [ResolutionMid](#) = 0x00, [ResolutionHigh](#) = 0x01 }
Resolution register bits.

5.2.1 Detailed Description

[BH1750](#) digital light sensor library for Arduino.

Source: <https://github.com/Erriez/ErriezBH1750> Documentation: <https://erriez.github.io/ErriezBH1750>

5.2.2 Enumeration Type Documentation

5.2.2.1 BH1750_Mode_e

enum [BH1750_Mode_e](#)

Mode register bits.

Enumerator

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| ModeContinuous | Continues mode. |
| ModeOneTime | One-time mode. |

Definition at line 40 of file ErriezBH1750.h.

5.2.2.2 BH1750_Resolution_e

enum [BH1750_Resolution_e](#)

Resolution register bits.

Enumerator

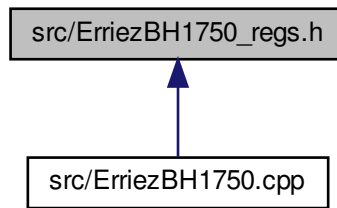
| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| ResolutionLow | 4 lx resolution |
| ResolutionMid | 1 lx resolution |
| ResolutionHigh | 0.5 lx resolution |

Definition at line 46 of file ErriezBH1750.h.

5.3 src/ErriezBH1750_regs.h File Reference

[BH1750](#) digital light sensor library for Arduino.

This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



Macros

- `#define BH1750_I2C_ADDR_L 0x23`
I2C address with ADDR pin low.
- `#define BH1750_I2C_ADDR_H 0x5C`
I2C address with ADDR pin high.
- `#define BH1750_POWER_DOWN 0x00`
Power down instruction.
- `#define BH1750_POWER_ON 0x01`
Power on instruction.
- `#define BH1750_RESET 0x07`
Reset instruction.
- `#define BH1750_MODE_MASK 0x30`
Mode mask bits.
- `#define BH1750_RES_MASK 0x03`
Mode resolution mask bits.
- `#define BH1750_CONV_TIME_L 24`
Worst case conversion timing low res.
- `#define BH1750_CONV_TIME_H 180`
Worst case conversion timing high res.
- `#define IS_INITIALIZED(mode) (((mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) != 0x00)`
- `#define IS_CONTINUOUS_MODE(mode) (((mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) == ModeContinuous)`
- `#define IS_ONE_TIME_MODE(mode) (((mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) == ModeOneTime)`
- `#define IS_LOW_RESOLUTION(mode) (((mode) & BH1750_RES_MASK) == ResolutionLow)`
- `#define GET_TIMEOUT(mode)`

5.3.1 Detailed Description

BH1750 digital light sensor library for Arduino.

Source: <https://github.com/Erriez/ErriezBH1750> Documentation: <https://erriez.github.io/ErriezBH1750>

5.3.2 Macro Definition Documentation

5.3.2.1 GET_TIMEOUT

```
#define GET_TIMEOUT(  
    mode )
```

Value:

```
(( (mode) & BH1750_RES_MASK) == ResolutionLow) ? \  
    BH1750_CONV_TIME_L :  
    BH1750_CONV_TIME_H)
```

Macro low/high resolution timeout from mode

Definition at line 81 of file ErriezBH1750_regs.h.

5.3.2.2 IS_CONTINUES_MODE

```
#define IS_CONTINUES_MODE(  
    mode ) (( (mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) == ModeContinuous)
```

Macro is continues mode enabled

Definition at line 63 of file ErriezBH1750_regs.h.

5.3.2.3 IS_INITIALIZED

```
#define IS_INITIALIZED(  
    mode ) (( (mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) != 0x00)
```

Return if mode is set (initialized)

Definition at line 57 of file ErriezBH1750_regs.h.

5.3.2.4 IS_LOW_RESOLUTION

```
#define IS_LOW_RESOLUTION(  
    mode ) (( (mode) & BH1750_RES_MASK) == ResolutionLow)
```

Macro is low resolution enabled from mode

Definition at line 75 of file ErriezBH1750_regs.h.

5.3.2.5 IS_ONE_TIME_MODE

```
#define IS_ONE_TIME_MODE(  
    mode ) (( (mode) & BH1750_MODE_MASK) == ModeOneTime)
```

Macro is one-time mode enabled from mode

Definition at line 69 of file ErriezBH1750_regs.h.

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