

User Manual

NaviGuider I2C

Sensor Based Orientation System for UAVs,
ocean gliders, robots and buoys

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1 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

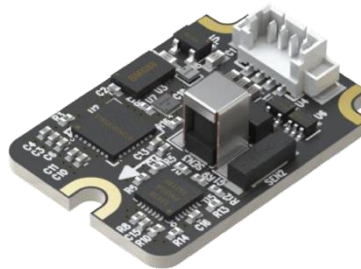


NaviGuider I2C (PNI Part number 14709)

PNI's NaviGuiderI2C module is the *first* complete sensor-based orientation system for UAVs, ocean gliders, robots, and buoys. It incorporates PNI's SENtral-A2 sensor fusion coprocessor, PNI's RM3100 magnetic sensor, an accelerometer, and a gyroscope. The sensor fusion coprocessor comes super-charged with the latest, military grade algorithms, including continuous hard and soft-iron magnetic auto-calibration, and important magnetic anomaly compensation. The module requires *no* external calibration.

The NaviGuider I2C module is a castellated (SMD) printed-circuit board assembly that can be soldered to a host's printed-circuit board assembly and interfaced via I2C. It provides reliable orientation, accurate heading, pitch and roll and motion tracking while consuming less than 6 mA of power. Physical and virtual sensor outputs are available along with meta events to enable even tighter system integration with the host system.

For quick evaluation and test, we recommend evaluating the NaviGuider (PNI Part number 14703) with a GUI application which can be obtained by contacting support@pnisensor.zendesk.com



NaviGuider (PNI Part number 14703)

NAVIGUIDER I2C SYSTEM OVERVIEW

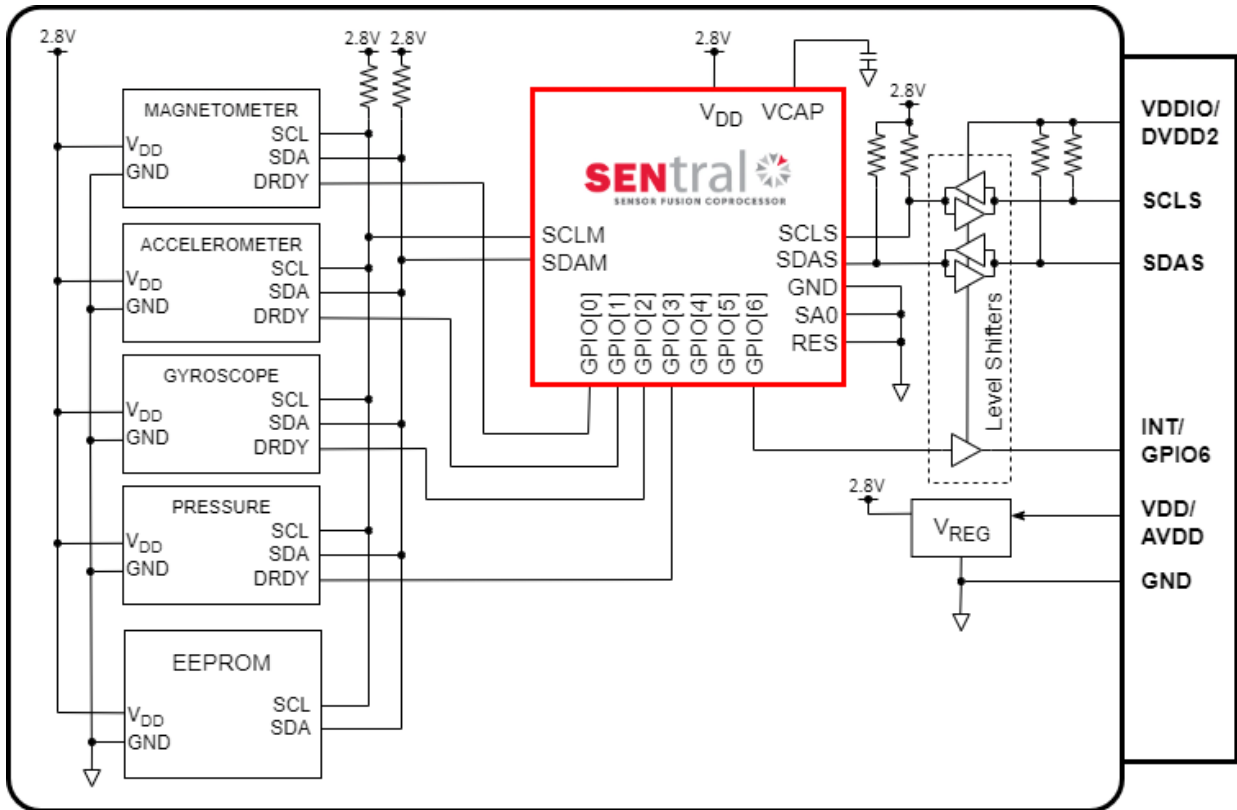


Figure 1-1: NaviGuider I2C module block diagram

PNI's SENTral-A2 sensor fusion coprocessor and its embedded algorithms perform the following functions:

Kalman Update fuses data from PNI's RM3100 magnetic sensor, 3-axis gyroscope, and 3-axis accelerometer, plus data from the magnetic anomaly determination algorithms and continuous auto-calibration blocks to generate intelligent Quaternion updates. The Kalman update involves an advanced multi-state Kalman algorithm.

Continuous Hard and Soft-Iron Auto-Calibration. The NaviGuider is the only product in the market that auto-calibrates for both hard-iron and soft-iron magnetic distortions. While others may calibrate for hard-iron distortion, soft-iron distortion is more difficult to correct for. Soft-iron distortion can be caused by ferrous shielding materials and batteries commonly found in electronic systems which can contribute up to 90° of error. Additionally, since a host system's magnetic signature can change over time and temperature, continuous auto-calibration algorithms ensure long-term accuracy.

Magnetic Anomaly Determination establishes if a transient magnetic distortion is present and accounts for it to ensure accurate heading in magnetically harsh environments.

2 NAVIGUIDER I2C SPECIFICATIONS

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Table 2-1: Performance Characteristics

| Parameter | Typical |
|----------------------|---------|
| Heading Accuracy | 2° rms |
| Temperature Accuracy | ±1.5C |
| Output Data Rate | 200 Hz |

Below are the specifications for the installed pressure sensors.

Table 2-2 Pressure and Temperature Scale Factors

| Product | Scale Factor | Range |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Pressure | (1/128) Pa/LSB | 30000 – 110000 Pa (300-1100 hPa) |
| Temperature | 0.002°C/LSB | -40 - 85°C |

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Table 2-3: Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Symbol | Minimum | Maximum | Units |
|---------------------|--|---------|---------|-------|
| Supply Voltage | DV _{DD} DV _{DIO} AV _{DD} V _{DD} | -0.3 | +6 | VDC |
| Input Pin Voltage | V _{IN} | -0.5 | +7 | VDC |
| Storage Temperature | T _{STORE} | -40° | +85° | C |

CAUTION:

Stresses beyond those listed above may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only. Operation of the device at these or other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied.

Table 2-4: Operating Conditions

| Parameter | | Symbol | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------|-----------|
| IO voltage sense input | | DV _{DD} DV _{DIO} | 1.65 | | 4.5 | VDC |
| Analog Supply Voltage – Sensors | | AV _{DD} V _{DD} | 3.0 | | 5.5 | VDC |
| High Level Input Voltage | | V _{IH} | 0.7*V _{DD} | | V _{DD} | VDC |
| Low Level Input Voltage | | V _{IL} | 0 | | 0.3*V _{DD} | VDC |
| High Level Output Current, V _{OH} = 0.75xV _{DDIO} | | I _{OH} | | | -0.5 | mA |
| Low Level Output Current, V _{OL} = 0.3V | | I _{OL} | 0.5 | | | mA |
| I ² C Interface Data Rate ¹ | Host Bus | | | | 3400 | kbits/sec |
| Operating Temperature | | T _{OP} | -40 | +25 | +85 | C |
| Operating Current | Idle ² | | | 0.22 | | mA |
| | Rotation Vector (max ODR) | | | 6.36 | | mA |
| | All Motion Sensors (Max ODR) | | | 8.55 | | mA |

Footnote:

1. The NaviGuider I2C's co-processor's I²C Host Interface supports Standard, Fast, Fast Plus, and High-Speed Modes. High Speed Mode (3400 kHz) is supported with a reduced range of V_{DD} and bus capacitance. The co-processor's I²C sensor bus interface supports Standard, Fast, and Fast Plus Modes. Pass-Through state, which connects the sensor bus and host bus, supports Standard and Fast Modes.
2. Idle current after reset will be higher. It is recommended to cycle run mode once to achieve stated idle current.

3 INTERFACE

The NaviGuider I2C pin-out is given in Table 3-1. See Table 2-4 for the operating voltage range. A discussion of the communication interface follows the table.

Table 3-1: NaviGuider I2C Module Pin Assignments

| Pin Name | Description | Pin Number(s) |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| DV _{DD} DV _{DIO} | IO voltage sense input | 2 |
| AV _{DD} V _{DD} | Supply Voltage | 7 |
| GND | Ground | 8,11 |
| SCLS | I ² C host bus SCL clock line | 3 |
| SDAS | I ² C host bus SDA data line | 5 |
| SDAM | I ² C sensor bus SDA data line (do not connect) | 9 |
| SCLM | I ² C sensor bus SCL clock line (Do not connect) | 10 |
| GPIO[4] | Reserved | 6 |
| INT GPIO[6] | Host Event Interrupt | 4 |
| Reserved | Reserved (not connected) | 1,12,13 |

Footnote:

NaviGuider I2C's I²C interfaces comply with NXP's UM10204 specification and user manual, rev 04. Standard, Fast, Fast Plus, and High-Speed modes of the I²C protocol are supported by NaviGuider I2C's I²C host interface.

I²C TIMING

NaviGuider I2C's I²C timing requirements are set forth below, in Figure 3-1, Table 3-2, and Table 3-3. For the timing requirements shown in Figure 3-1, transitions are 30% and 70% of V_{DD}.

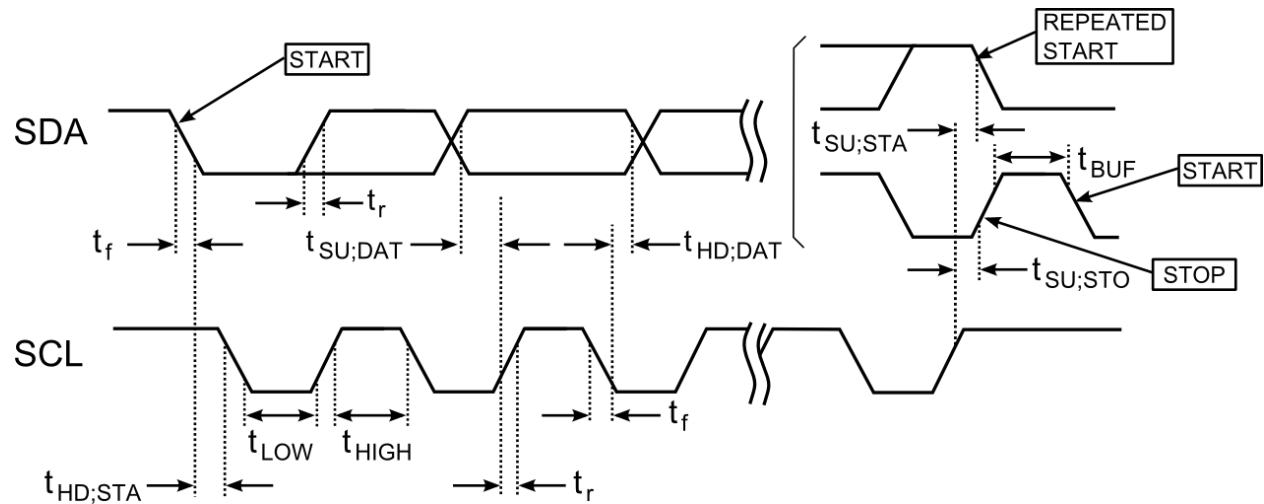


Figure 3-1: I²C Timing Diagram

Table 3-2: I²C Timing Characteristics

| Parameter | Symbol | Conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------|------|------|------|
| System Clock Frequency (SYSOSC) | F _{SYS} | | 9 | 10 | 11 | MHz |
| Timing Clock Frequency (TIMOSC) | F _{TIM} | | 124 | 128 | 132 | kHz |
| I2C Slave Port Operating Frequency | F _{SCLS} | (1) (2) | 100 | | 2000 | kHz |
| I2C Master Port Operating Frequency | F _{SCLM} | (1) (3) | 100 | | 1000 | kHz |

Notes: Unless otherwise specified: V_{DD}= 3.0V to 3.3V, T_A=-40 to +85°C

I²C Protocol Implementation is compliant with UM10204 I2C-bus Specification and User Manual, Rev. 04, February 13th, 2012

I²C Slave port supports Standard, Fast, Fast+ and High-Speed Mode. High Speed Mode is supported with a reduced range of V_{DD} and bus capacitance.

I²C Master port supports Standard, Fast and Fast+ Mode

In pass-through mode, I2C Slave and Master ports are connected to form a single I2C bus. Standard and Fast mode is supported.

Table 3-3: I²C Timing Parameters

| Symbol | Parameter | Standard | | Fast | | Fast Plus | | Units |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------|------|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|------|-------|
| | | Min | Max | Min | Max | Min | Max | |
| f _{SCL} | SCL Clock | 0 | 100 | 0 | 200 | 0 | 1000 | kHz |
| t _r | SDA & SCL Rise Time | - | 1000 | 20 | 300 | - | 120 | ns |
| t _f | SDA & SCL Fall Time | - | 300 | 20*(V _{DD} /5.5V) | 300 | 20*(V _{DD} /5.5V) | 120 | ns |
| t _{LOW} | LOW period of SCL Clock | 4.7 | - | 1.3 | - | 0.5 | - | μs |
| t _{HIGH} | HIGH period of SCL Clock | 4.0 | - | 0.6 | - | 0.26 | - | μs |
| t _{HD,STA} | Hold time (repeated) START | 4.0 | - | 0.6 | - | 0.26 | - | μs |
| t _{HD,DAT} | Data hold time | 0 | - | 0 | - | 0 | - | μs |
| t _{SU,DAT} | Data set-up time | 250 | - | 100 | - | 50 | - | ns |
| t _{SU,STA} | Set-Up time for repeated Start | 4.7 | - | 0.6 | - | 0.26 | - | μs |
| t _{SU,STO} | Stop set-up time | 4.0 | - | 0.6 | - | 0.26 | - | μs |
| t _{BUF} | Bus free time between STOP & START | 4.7 | - | 1.3 | - | 0.5 | - | μs |

I²C HOST INTERFACE (HOST BUS)

The host controls the NaviGuider I2C on the host bus via NaviGuider I2C's I²C host interface. The host interface consists of 2 wires: the serial clock, SCLS, and the serial data line, SDAS. Both lines are bi-directional. NaviGuider I2C is connected to the host bus via the SDAS and SCLS pins, which incorporate open drain drivers within the device. Note the NaviGuider I2C module incorporates 4.7 kΩ pull-up resistors on the host bus clock and data lines, so if the host system also incorporates pull-up resistors on these lines the resistors will act in parallel.

The NaviGuider I2C's 7-bit I²C slave address is 0x28 (0b0101000). The shifted address is 0x50.

Data transfer is always initiated by the host. Data is transferred between the host and NaviGuider I2C serially through the data line, SDAS, in an 8-bit transfer format. The transfer is synchronized by the serial clock line, SCLS. Supported transfer formats are single-byte read, multiple-byte read, single-byte write, and multiple-byte write. The data line can be driven either by the host or NaviGuider I2C. Normally the serial clock line will be driven by the host, although exceptions can exist when clock-stretching is implemented in Pass-Through State.

I²C TRANSFER FORMATS

Figure 3-2 illustrates writing data to registers in single-byte or multiple-byte mode.

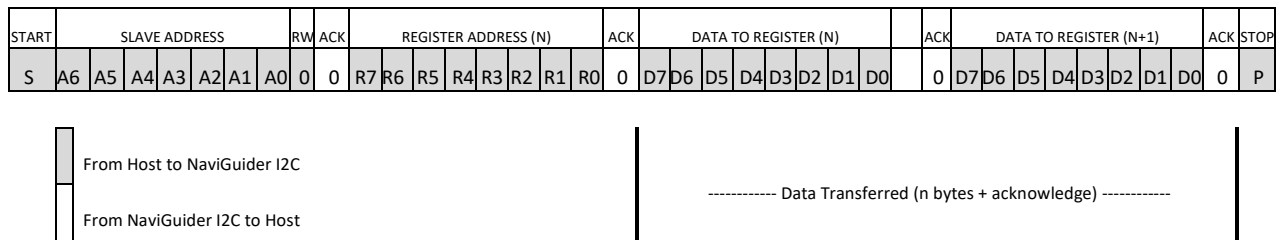


Figure 3-2: I²C Slave Write Example

The I²C host interface supports both a read sequence using repeated START conditions, shown in Figure 3-3, and a sequence in which the register address is sent in a separate sequence than the data, shown in Figure 3-4 and Figure 3-5.

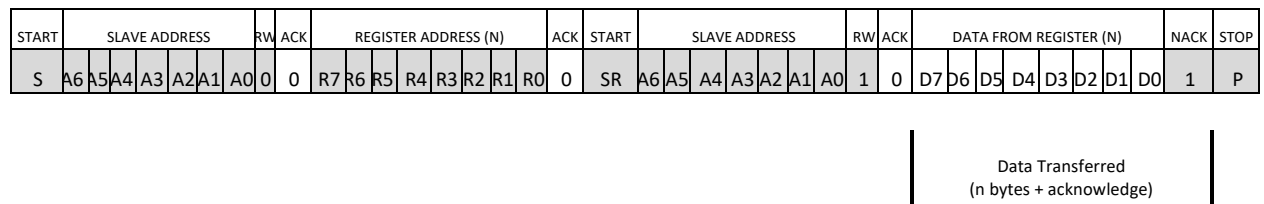


Figure 3-3: I²C Slave Read Example, with Repeated START

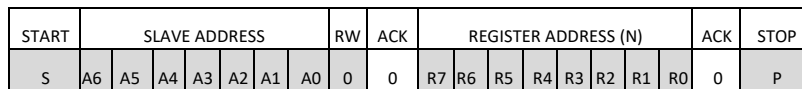


Figure 3-4: I²C Slave Write Register Address Only

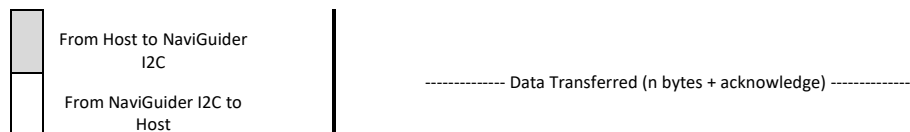
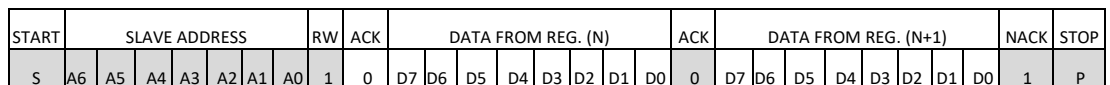


Figure 3-5: I²C Slave read register from current address

I²C PULL-UP RESISTANCE

The pull up resistance values for both host and sensor bus will depend on the I²C data rate and the number of devices on the bus. Table 3-4 provides the maximum acceptable bus capacitance, as a function of bus rate, which can be accommodated with a 4.7k Ω or 2.4k Ω pull-up resistor. The NaviGuider-I2C includes internal 4.7K Ω pull-up resistors on-board. To achieve 2.4k Ω , external 4.9K Ω (4.7K Ω) pull-up resistors are required on the SDAS and SDAM pins. As a general guideline, each device connected to the bus represents approximately 10pF of capacitance on the bus, so a bus with 4 devices would require a “Max C_b” value of >40pF.

Table 3-4: I²C Pull-Up Resistance Table

| I2C Mode | Rate (kbit/s) | Rise Time (ns) | Max C _b (pF) | |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | 4.7k Ω pull-up | 2.4k Ω pull-up (external) |
| Standard | 100 | 1000 | 251.1 | 491.8 |
| Fast | 400 | 300 | 75.3 | 147.5 |
| Fast Plus | 1000 | 120 | 30.1 | 59.0 |
| High Speed-1.7MHz | Clock | 1700 | 80 | 20.1 |
| | Data | 1700 | 160 | 40.2 |
| High Speed-3.4MHz | Clock | 3400 | 40 | 10.0 |
| | Data | 3400 | 80 | 20.1 |

As the table implies, for most Standard and Fast Mode implementations a 4.7k Ω pull-up should work well, while a 2.4k Ω pull-up normally should be used for Fast Plus.

4 OPERATION

NaviGuider I2C has two distinct modes of execution: Boot Mode and Main Execution Mode.

The ROM is essentially split into two parts – the small boot loader and the large set of libraries and drivers which can be used by a RAM-based program or “patch.” It is this latter part of the ROM which provides most of the functionality required for sensor fusion, host interface interactions, data batching, and so on. However, without a RAM patch, none of these more advanced behaviors can occur. This is where boot loading comes in.

BOOT MODE

When NaviGuider I2C first comes out of reset (due to power on reset, watchdog reset, or host-initiated reset), it executes a small portion of its ROM: the boot loader.

The boot loader loads and makes use of factory trim values, initializes the host interrupt GPIO line, then automatically scans the master I2C bus for an attached EEPROM.

MAIN EXECUTION MODE

Once in this mode, the full Android host interface and sensor suite is available. NaviGuider I2C indicates it is ready by inserting an Initialized meta event in the FIFO, setting the Bytes Remaining registers to the size of this event plus timestamp, then asserting the host interrupt. The host should wait for this before attempting to query or configure sensors or other features.

In the nominal case, however, the host is now free to query which sensors are present by reading the Sensor Status bits, learn the details of each sensor by querying the Sensor Information parameters, load any Warm Start values using the Algorithm Warm Start parameters, and/or configure sensors to start generating output using the Sensor Configuration parameters. If you need further information, please email support@pnisensor.zendesk.com for an Application Note on Warm Start Algorithm Parameters.

The host may also wish to configure which meta events will appear in the FIFO, such as FIFO Overflow, Watermark, or many others. It can specify whether certain meta events can cause an immediate host interrupt or are batched until later.

Finally, the host may wish to configure the optional Watermark value using the FIFO Control parameter. This allows the host to be informed that the FIFO is full enough that the host may wish to read its contents before data is lost. This is especially useful when the Application Processor is asleep.

NAVIGUIDER I2C BOARD SUPPORTED VIRTUAL SENSORS

| Sensor ID | Description | Type |
|-----------|---|------------|
| 0x01 | Accelerometer | Continuous |
| 0x02 | Magnetometer | Continuous |
| 0x03 | Orientation (deprecated in Android SDK but not HAL; azimuth / pitch / roll) | Continuous |
| 0x04 | Gyroscope | Continuous |
| 0x06 | Barometer | Continuous |
| 0x09 | Gravity | Continuous |
| 0x0A | Linear Acceleration | Continuous |
| 0x0B | Rotation Vector (9DOF) | Continuous |
| 0x0E | Magnetometer Un-calibrated | Continuous |
| 0x0F | Game Rotation Vector (6DOF accelerometer + gyroscope) | Continuous |
| 0x10 | Gyroscope Un-calibrated | Continuous |
| 0x14 | Geomagnetic Rotation Vector (6DOF accelerometer + magnetometer) | Continuous |
| 0x16 | Tilt Detector | special |

VIRTUAL SENSOR INFORMATION

Listed below are the interface specifications and for the most used Virtual Sensors and Meta Events that occur in the host readable FIFO stream. When the host enables these virtual sensors, the Virtual sensors' output data is posted to the host readable FIFO at prescribed rates. All virtual sensors are by default aligned to the ENU coordinate frame per Android sensor definition.

KEY

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| SENSOR_TYPE ID#: | This is the SENSOR_TYPE ID value written to ParamIO page 3 to select a particular virtual sensor. |
| Sample_Rate: | This is how a non-zero sample rate value written to the ParamIO page 3 parameter 0 is interpreted by the virtual sensor (of SENSOR_TYPE specified above). A zero sample rate disables the virtual sensor. |
| Reporting Type: | Wake-up type Virtual sensors will interrupt the host even in AP_Suspend mode. Continuous mode will report data to the host continuously at the sample rate. ON-Change mode will only report data to the host if the data value(s) have changed. |
| Payload size: | Number of bytes of data (not including the SENSOR_TYPE ID) in each report packet sent to the host interface FIFO. |
| Payload Values: | The size and type of each data piece is listed along with a short description. |
| Description: | Describes the operation of this virtual sensor. |

Accelerometer

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| SENSOR_TYPE ID#: | 0x01 |
| Sample Rate: | Set by user, 0-400Hz |
| Reporting Type: | Continuous |
| Payload size: | 7 |
| Payload Values: | SInt16 X SInt16 Y SInt16 Z UInt8 Accuracy |

Description: Device specific output data from Accelerometer sensor
Values X, Y, and Z are scaled to maximize range and resolution. To convert this value to engineering units in meters per second squared perform the following operation.

$$\text{Value(m/s}^2\text{)} = x * 0.0005$$

Where: x is the sensor data X, Y or Z

Magnetometer

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| SENSOR_TYPE ID#: | 0x02 |
| Sample Rate: | Set by user, 0-125Hz |
| Reporting Type: | Continuous |
| Payload size: | 7 |
| Payload Values: | SInt16 X SInt16 Y SInt16 Z UInt8 Accuracy |

Description: Device specific output data from Magnetometer sensor
Values X, Y, and Z are scaled to maximize range and resolution. To convert this value to engineering units in microTesla(uT) perform the following operation.

$$\text{Value(uT)} = x * 0.01962$$

Where: x is the sensor data X, Y or Z

Gyroscope

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0x04

Sample Rate: Set by user, 0-400Hz

Reporting Type: Continuous

Payload size: 7

Payload Values: SInt16 X

SInt16 Y

SInt16 Z

UInt8 Accuracy

Description: Device specific output data from Gyroscope sensor

Values X, Y, and Z are scaled to maximize range and resolution. To convert this value to engineering units in radians per second perform the following operation.

Value(rps) = x * 0.0010647

Where: x is the sensor data X, Y or Z

Orientation

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0x03
Sample Rate: 0-400Hz
Reporting Type: Continuous
Payload size: 7
Payload Values: SInt16 Yaw
SInt16 Pitch
SInt16 Roll
UInt8 Accuracy

Description: Output data from Orientation sensor

Values X, Y, and Z are scaled to maximize range and resolution. To convert this value to engineering units in degrees perform the following operation. Range is from 0 to 360 degrees.

$$\text{Value(deg)} = x * 0.010986$$

Where: x is the sensor data X, Y or Z

Rotation Vectors

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| SENSOR_TYPE ID#: | 0x09 | Rotation Vector (9-DOF) |
| | 0x0F | Game Rotation (6-DOF Accel/Gyro) |
| | 0x14 | Geo-magnetic Rotation (6-DOF Mag/Accel) |
| Sample Rate: | 0-400Hz | (Geo-magnetic Rotation maximum rate is 125Hz) |
| Reporting Type: | Continuous | |
| Payload size: | 10 | |
| Payload Values: | SInt16 Q _x | |
| | SInt16 Q _y | |
| | SInt16 Q _z | |
| | SInt16 Q _w | |
| | SInt16 Accuracy | |

Description: Quaternion Output data from Rotation Virtual Sensors
Unit Vector Q Values are scaled to maximize range and resolution.

$$\hat{Q} = \frac{x}{2^{14}}$$

Where: **x** is the SInt16 Quaternion data Q_x, Q_y, Q_z, or Q_w

For more information, see Appendix A – Converting Quaternions

Barometer

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0x06

Sample Rate: 0-50Hz

Reporting Type: Continuous

Payload size: 3

Payload Values: SInt24 Pressure

Description: Output data from Temperature sensor

To convert this value to engineering units in Pascals perform the following operation.

$$\text{Value(Pa)} = x * 128$$

Where: x is the sensor data X, Y or Z

Event Wake

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0x41 through 0x7E
Reporting Type: On Change
Payload size: Same size as Virtual SensorID (SENSOR_TYPE ID# - 64)
Description: A wake Event has occurred for Virtual SensorID (SENSOR_TYPE ID# - 64)

Meta Event Wake

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0xF8
Reporting Type: On Change
Payload size: 3
Description: A Meta Event has occurred

Meta Event

SENSOR_TYPE ID#: 0xFE
Reporting Type: On Change
Payload size: 3

| Payload Values | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Value 1 – Meta Event type ID | | Value 2 | Value 3 |
| 0x02 | Sample Rate Changed | Sensor ID | 0 |
| 0x03 | Power Mode Changed | Sensor ID | 0 |
| 0x04 | Error | Error Register | Debug State |
| 0x05 | Magnetic Transient | 1 = transient detected 0 = no transient detected | 0 |
| 0x06 | Cal Status Changed | Cal Status Value | Trans Component |
| 0x07 | Stillness Changed | 1 = now still 0 = no longer still | 0 |
| 0x09 | Calibration Stable | 1 = stable 0 = not stable | 0 |
| 0x0B | Sensor Error | Sensor ID | Sensor status bits |
| 0x0C | FIFO Overflow | Loss count LSB | Loss count MSB |
| 0x0D | Dynamic Range Changed | Sensor ID | 0 |
| 0x0E | FIFO Watermark | Bytes remaining | 0 |
| 0x0F | Self-Test (BIST) Results | Sensor ID | Test results 0 = pass |
| 0x10 | Initialized | RAM version LSB | RAM version MSB |
| 0x11 | Transfer Cause | 0 | 0 |

SELF TEST (BIST)

The self-test feature invokes the Built-In Self-Test (BIST) of any and all sensors attached to SENtral which such capabilities. The RM3100 sensor's BIST test includes testing for full operation of the driver IC including external magneto-inductive sensor connection tests for opens and shorts.

To initiate BIST perform the following sequence:

- Write 0x01(Request Algorithm Standby) to SENtral register 0x55(Host Interface Control)

- Read Host Status Register to confirm Algorithm Standby (bit 1 == 1)

- Write 0x40(Cancel Algorithm Standby and Request Self-Test) to register 0x55(Host Interface Control)

SENtral will send Meta Event payload values are as follows

- Byte #1: 0x15 (event number for self-test results)

- Byte #2: Sensor ID number

- Byte #3: Self-Test Result value

- 0 = Sensor Self-Test Passed

- 1 = Sensor Error Self-Test Axis-X Failed

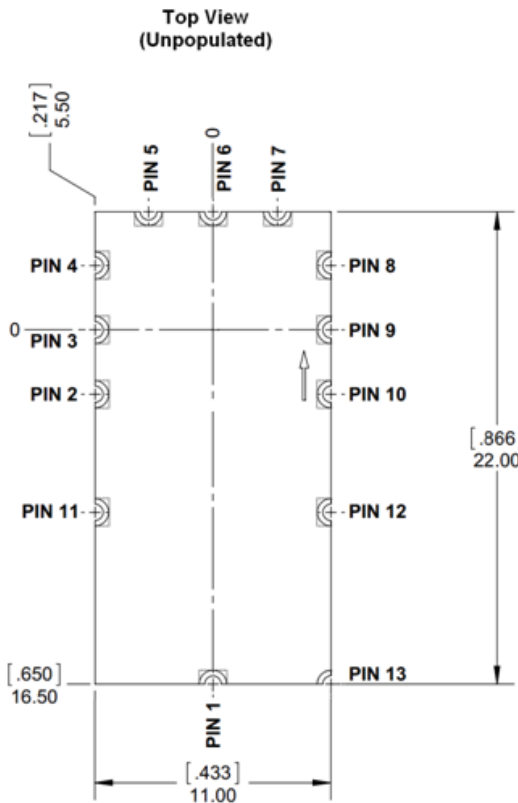
- 2 = Sensor Error Self-Test Axis-Y Failed

- 4 = Sensor Error Self-Test Axis-Z Failed

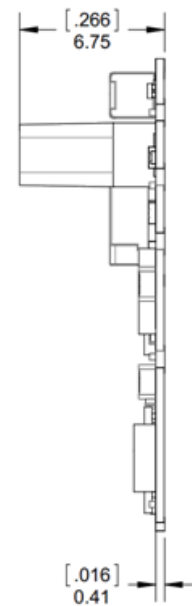
5 MECHANICAL DRAWINGS

Dimensions in [inches]
mm

| PIN | FUNC |
|-----|-------|
| 1 | N/C |
| 2 | DVDD |
| 3 | SCLS |
| 4 | GPIO6 |
| 5 | SDAS |
| 6 | GPIO4 |
| 7 | AVDD |
| 8 | GND |
| 9 | SDAM |
| 10 | SCLM |
| 11 | GND |
| 12 | N/C |
| 13 | N/C |



Side View
(Populated)



13x solder pads on backside.
 Φ .76 [.030] ID x 1.27 [.050] x .635 [.025].
 See next section for location.

Figure 5-1: NaviGuider I2C

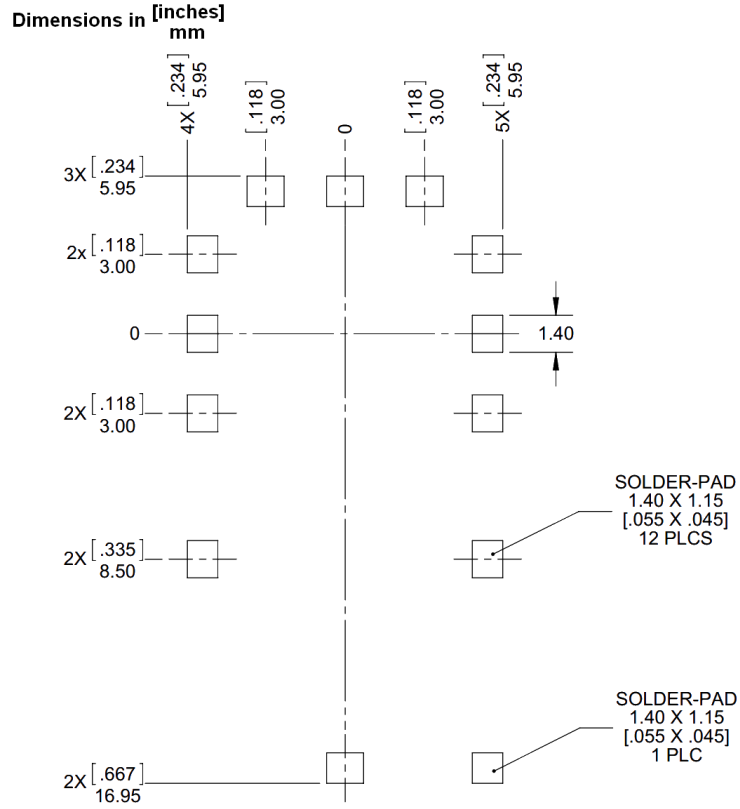


Figure 5-2: NaviGuider I2C Solder Pad Layout

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