

# OPT4001 High Speed, High Precision, Digital Ambient Light Sensor

## 1 Features

- High precision, high speed light-to-digital conversion over high speed I<sup>2</sup>C interface in two package variants
- Precision optical filtering to closely match human eye with excellent near infrared (IR) rejection
- Semi-logarithmic output with 9 binary logarithmic full-scale light range and highly linear response within each range
- Built-in automatic full-scale light range selection logic, which switches measurement range based on input light condition with excellent gain matching between ranges
- 28 bits of effective dynamic range from
  - 312.5 μlux to 83 klux for PicoStar™ package variant
  - 437.5 μlux to 117 klux for SOT-5x3 package variant
- 12 configurable conversion times from 600 μs to 800 ms is an excellent choice for a wide variety of high speed and high precision applications
- External pin interrupt for hardware synchronized trigger and interrupts (only on SOT-5X3 package variant)
- Internal FIFO for output registers with I<sup>2</sup>C burst readout
- Low operating current: 30 μA with ultra-low power standby: 2 μA
- Operating temperature range: –40°C to +85°C
- Wide power-supply range: 1.6 V to 3.6 V
- 5.5 V Tolerant I/O pins
- Selectable I<sup>2</sup>C address
- Small-form factor
  - PicoStar™ package: 0.84 mm x 1.05 mm x 0.226 mm
  - SOT-5X3: 2.1mm x 1.9mm x 0.6mm

## 2 Applications

- [Display backlight controls](#) for
  - [Smartwatches](#), [wearable electronics](#), and [health fitness bands](#)
  - [Tablets and notebooks](#)
  - [Multi-function printers](#)
  - Home automation interfaces
  - [Thermostats and home automation appliances](#)
- Lighting control systems to detect light level (day or night)
- [Point-of-sale terminals](#)
- Outdoor traffic and street lighting
- [IP Network Cameras](#)
- Flicker rate detection of light sources

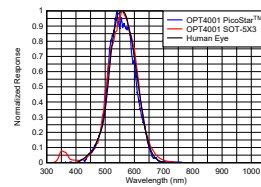
## 3 Description

The OPT4001 is a light-to-digital sensor (single chip lux meter) that measures the intensity of visible light. The spectral response of the sensor tightly matches the photopic response of the human eye. A specially engineered filter on the device rejects near-infrared component from the common light sources to measure accurate light intensity. Output of OPT4001 is semi-logarithmic with 9 binary logarithmic full-scale light ranges along with highly linear response within each range, bringing capability to measure from 312.5 μlux to 83 klux for PicoStar™ variant and 437.5 μlux to 117 klux for the SOT-5X3 variant. This capability allows light sensor to have 28-bit effective dynamic range. With built-in automatic full-scale range selection, logic users do not have to select appropriate gain settings based on light levels.

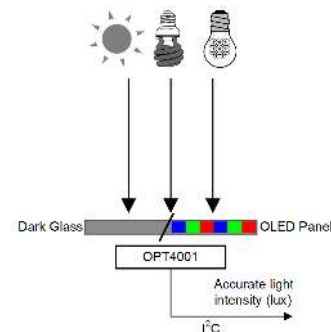
### Device Information

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE <sup>(1)</sup>	BODY SIZE (NOM)
OPT4001	PicoStar™ (4)	0.84mm x 1.05 mm x 0.226mm
	SOT-5X3 (8)	1.9mm X 2.1mm X 0.6mm

- (1) For all available packages, see the package option addendum at the end of the data sheet.



### Spectral Response: The OPT4001 and Human Eye



### Typical Application Diagram of OPT4001



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## 4 Revision History

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Changes from Revision * (August 2019) to Revision A (January 2022)	Page
• Added a new package variant for the device SOT-5X3.....	1
• Added <a href="#">Section 8.4.2</a> for package variants.....	14
• Changed values for <a href="#">Table 8-3</a> .....	16
• Added and changed register names for both package variants.....	25

## 5 Description (continued)

The engineered optical filter on OPT4001 provides strong infrared rejection, which aids in maintaining high accuracy, despite placing the sensor under dark glass, which is common requirement from industrial design of end products due to aesthetics.

The OPT4001 is designed for systems that require light level detection to enhance user experience and typically replaces low accuracy photo diodes, photo-resistors and other ambient light sensors with underwhelming human eye matching and near infra-red rejection.

The OPT4001 device can be configured to operate with light conversion times all the way from 600  $\mu$ s to 800 ms in 12 steps, providing system flexibility based on application need. Conversion time includes the light integration time and ADC conversion time. Resolution of the measurement is determined by a combination of light intensity and the integration time, effectively bringing in capability to measure down to 312.5  $\mu$ lux of light intensity changes for the PicoStar™ variant and 437.5  $\mu$ lux for the SOT-5X3 variant.

The digital operation is flexible for system integration. Measurements can be either continuous or triggered in one shots with register writes or hardware pin (only on SOT-5X3 variant). The device features a threshold detection logic, which allows the processor to sleep while the sensor watches for appropriate wake-up event to report via the interrupt pin (only on SOT-5X3 variant).

Digital output, representing the light level is reported over an I<sup>2</sup>C and SMBus compatible, two-wire serial interface. An internal FIFO on output registers is available to read out the measurements from the sensor at a slower pace while still preserving all the data captured by the device. OPT4001 also supports I<sup>2</sup>C burst mode helping host read data from FIFO with minimal I<sup>2</sup>C overhead.

The low power consumption and low power-supply voltage capability of the OPT4001 helps enhance the battery life of battery-powered systems.

## 6 Pin Configuration and Functions

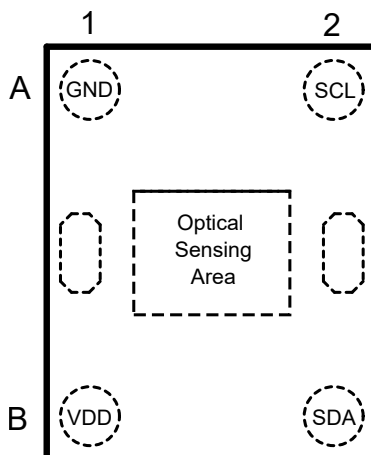


Figure 6-1. YMN (PicoStar™) Package, 4-Pin, Top View

Table 6-1. Pin Functions

PIN		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
NO.	NAME		
A1	GND	Power	Ground
B1	VDD	Power	Device power. Connect to a 1.6-V to 3.6-V supply.
A2	SCL	Digital input	I <sup>2</sup> C clock. Connect with a 10-kΩ resistor to a 1.6-V to 5.5-V supply.
B2	SDA	Digital input/output	I <sup>2</sup> C data. Connect with a 10-kΩ resistor to a 1.6-V to 5.5-V supply.

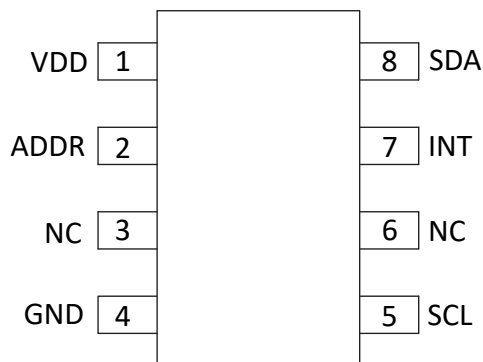


Figure 6-2. DTS Package, 6-Pin USON, Top View

Table 6-2. Pin Functions

PIN		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
NO.	NAME		
1	VDD	Power	Device power. Connect to a 1.6-V to 3.6-V supply.
2	ADDR	Digital input	Address pin. This pin sets the LSBs of the I <sup>2</sup> C address.
3	NC	No Connection	No Connection
4	GND	Power	Ground
5	SCL	Digital input	I <sup>2</sup> C clock. Connect with a 10-kΩ resistor to a 1.6-V to 5.5-V supply.
6	NC	No Connection	No Connection
7	INT	Digital I/O	Interrupt input/output open-drain. Connect with a 10-kΩ resistor to a 1.6-V to 5.5-V supply.
8	SDA	Digital I/O	I <sup>2</sup> C data. Connect with a 10-kΩ resistor to a 1.6-V to 5.5-V supply.

## 7 Specifications

### 7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup>

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
Voltage	VDD to GND	-0.5	6	V
	SDA and SCL to GND	-0.5	6	V
Current in to any pin			10	mA
T <sub>J</sub>	Junction temperature		150	°C
T <sub>stg</sub>	Storage temperature	-65	150 <sup>(2)</sup>	°C

- (1) Operation outside the Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent device damage. Absolute Maximum Ratings do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those listed under Recommended Operating Conditions. If used outside the Recommended Operating Conditions but within the Absolute Maximum Ratings, the device may not be fully functional, and this may affect device reliability, functionality, performance, and shorten the device lifetime.
- (2) Long exposure to temperatures higher than 105°C can cause package discoloration, spectral distortion, and measurement inaccuracy.

### 7.2 ESD Ratings

			VALUE	UNIT
V <sub>(ESD)</sub>	Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/ JEDEC JS-001, all pins <sup>(1)</sup>	±2000	V
		Charged device model (CDM), per ANSI/ESDA/ JEDEC JS-002, all pins <sup>(2)</sup>	±500	

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process precautions.
- (2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

		MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
VDD	Supply voltage	1.6		3.6	V
T <sub>J</sub>	Junction temperature	-40		85	°C

### 7.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>		OPT4001		UNIT
		PicoStar™ (YMN)	SOT-5X3 (DTS)	
		4 Pins	8 Pins	
R <sub>θJA</sub>	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	122.8	112.2	°C/W
R <sub>θJC(top)</sub>	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	1.4	28.4	°C/W
R <sub>θJB</sub>	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	34.9	22.1	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JT</sub>	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	0.8	1.2	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JB</sub>	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	35.3	22	°C/W

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the [Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics](#) application report.

## 7.5 Electrical Characteristics

All specifications at TA = 25°C, VDD = 3.3 V, 800-ms conversion-time (CONVERSION\_TIME=0xB), automatic full-scale range, white LED and normal-angle incidence of light, unless otherwise specified.

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
<b>OPTICAL</b>						
PicoStar™ Variant						
E <sub>VLSB</sub>	Resolution	Lowest auto gain range, 800 ms conversion-time		312.5		μlux
E <sub>VLSB</sub>		Lowest auto gain range, 100 ms conversion-time		2.5		mlux
E <sub>VFS</sub>	Full-scale illuminance			83886		lux
	Angular response (FWHM)			96		°
	Drift across temperature	Visible Light, Input illuminance = 2000 lux		0.01		%/°C
	Linearity	Input illuminance > 328 lux 100 ms conversion-time CONVERSION_TIME=0x8		2		%
		Input illuminance < 328 lux 100 ms conversion-time CONVERSION_TIME=0x8		5		%
SOT-5X3 Variant						
E <sub>VLSB</sub>	Resolution	Lowest auto gain range, 800 ms conversion-time		437.5		μlux
E <sub>VLSB</sub>		Lowest auto gain range, 100 ms conversion-time		3.5		mlux
E <sub>VFS</sub>	Full-scale illuminance			117441		lux
	Angular response (FWHM)			120		°
	Drift across temperature	Visible Light, Input illuminance = 2000 lux		0.015		%/°C
	Linearity	Input illuminance > 459 lux 100 ms conversion-time CONVERSION_TIME=0x8		2		%
		Input illuminance < 459 lux 100 ms conversion-time CONVERSION_TIME=0x8		5		%
Common Specifications						
	Peak irradiance spectral responsivity			550		nm
	Effective MANTISSA bits (Register R_MSB & R_LSB)	Dependent on Conversion Time selected (Register CONVERSION_TIME)	9		20	bits
	Exponent bits (Register E)	Denotes the full-scale range		4		bits
E <sub>V</sub>	Measurement output result	2000 lux input <sup>(1)</sup>	1800	2000	2200	lux
T <sub>conv</sub>	Light Conversion-time <sup>(4)</sup>	Minimum Selectable (CONVERSION_TIME=0x0), fixed lux range, 2000 lux input		600		μs
		Maximum Selectable (CONVERSION_TIME=0xB), fixed lux range, 2000 lux input		800		ms
	Light source variation (incandescent, halogen, fluorescent)	Bare device, no cover glass		4		%
E <sub>VIR</sub>	Infrared response	850nm Near Infrared		0.2		%
	Relative accuracy between gain ranges <sup>(2)</sup>			0.4		%
	Dark Measurement			0	10	mlux
PSRR	Power-supply rejection ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	VDD at 3.6 V and 1.6 V		0.1		%/V
<b>POWER SUPPLY</b>						

## 7.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)

All specifications at TA = 25°C, VDD = 3.3 V, 800-ms conversion-time (CONVERSION\_TIME=0xB), automatic full-scale range, white LED and normal-angle incidence of light, unless otherwise specified.

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V <sub>DD</sub>	Power supply		1.6		3.6	V
V <sub>I2C</sub>	Power supply for I <sup>2</sup> C pull up resistor	I <sup>2</sup> C pullup resistor, V <sub>DD</sub> ≤ V <sub>I2C</sub>	1.6		5.5	V
I <sub>QACTIVE</sub>	Active Current	Dark		22		μA
		Full-scale lux		30		μA
I <sub>Q</sub>	Quiescent current	Dark		1.6		μA
		Full-scale lux		2		μA
POR	Power-on-reset threshold			0.8		V
<b>DIGITAL</b>						
C <sub>IO</sub>	I/O Pin Capacitance			3		pF
T <sub>ss</sub>	Trigger to Sample Start	Low-power shutdown mode		0.5		ms
V <sub>IL</sub>	Low-level input voltage (SDA, SCL, and ADDR)		0		0.3 X V <sub>DD</sub>	V
V <sub>IH</sub>	High-level input voltage (SDA, SCL, and ADDR)		0.7 X V <sub>DD</sub>		5.5	V
I <sub>IL</sub>	Low-level input current (SDA, SCL, and ADDR)			0.01	0.25 <sup>(5)</sup>	μA
V <sub>OL</sub>	Low-level output voltage (SDA and INT)	I <sub>OL</sub> =3mA			0.32	V
I <sub>ZH</sub>	Output logic high, high-Z leakage current (SDA, INT)	Measured with V <sub>DD</sub> at pin		0.01	0.25 <sup>(5)</sup>	μA
<b>TEMPERATURE</b>						
	Specified temperature range		-40		85	°C

- (1) Tested with the white LED calibrated to 2000 lux
- (2) Characterized by measuring fixed near-full-scale light levels on the higher adjacent full-scale range setting.
- (3) PSRR is the percent change of the measured lux output from the current value, divided by the change in power supply voltage, as characterized by results from 3.6-V and 1.6-V power supplies
- (4) The conversion-time, from start of conversion until the data are ready to be read, is the integration-time plus analog-to-digital conversion-time.
- (5) The specified leakage current is dominated by the production test equipment limitations. Typical values are much smaller

## 7.6 Typical Characteristics

At  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V}$ , 800-ms conversion time (CONVERSION\_TIME = 0xB), automatic full-scale range (RANGE = 0xC), white LED, and normal-angle incidence of light, unless otherwise specified.

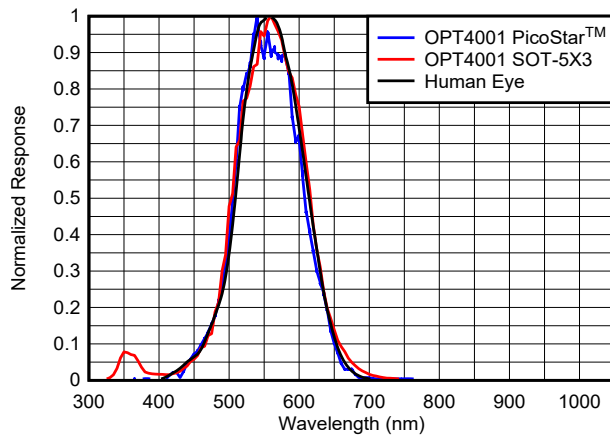
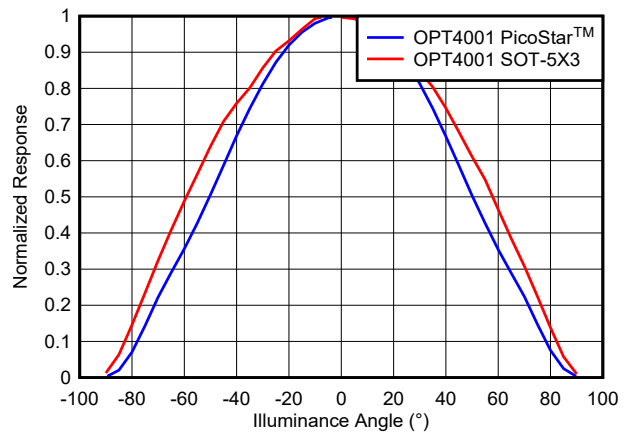
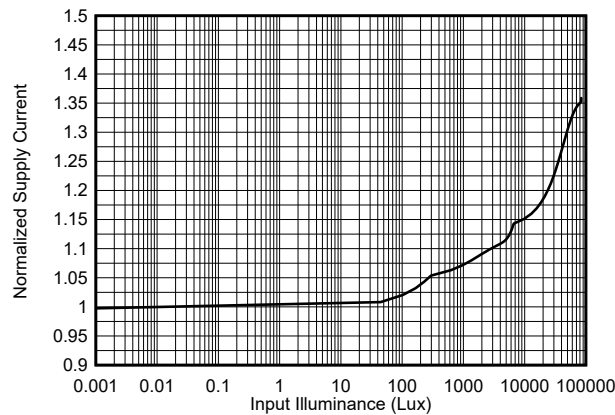


Figure 7-1. Spectral Response vs Wavelength



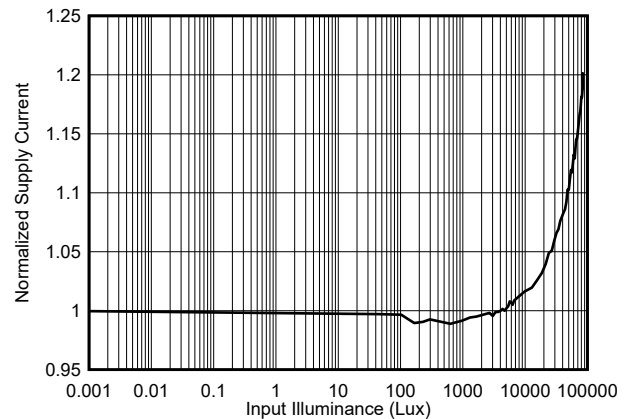
Normalized to 0°

Figure 7-2. Device Response vs Illuminance Angle



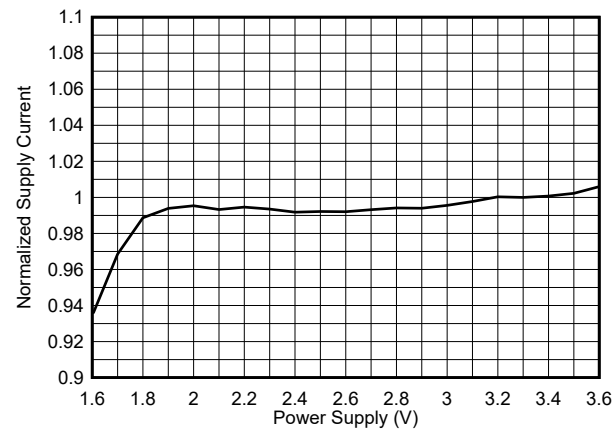
Normalized to dark condition

Figure 7-3. Active Current vs Input Light Level



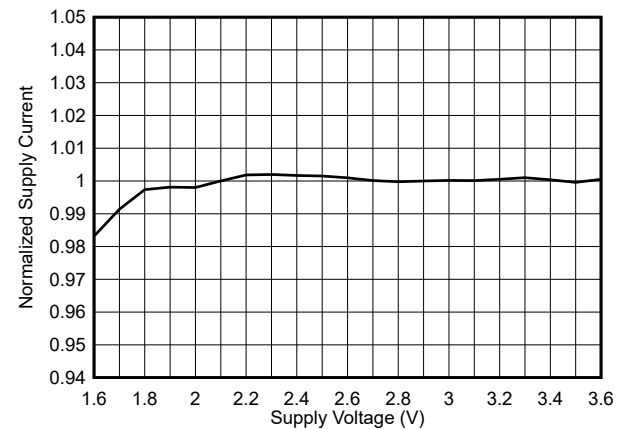
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Figure 7-4. Standby Current vs Input Light Level



Normalized to 3.3 V

Figure 7-5. Active Current vs Power Supply



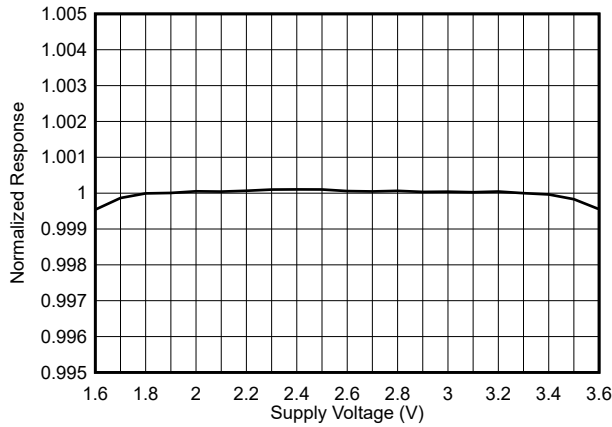
Normalized to 3.3 V

Figure 7-6. Standby Current vs Power Supply



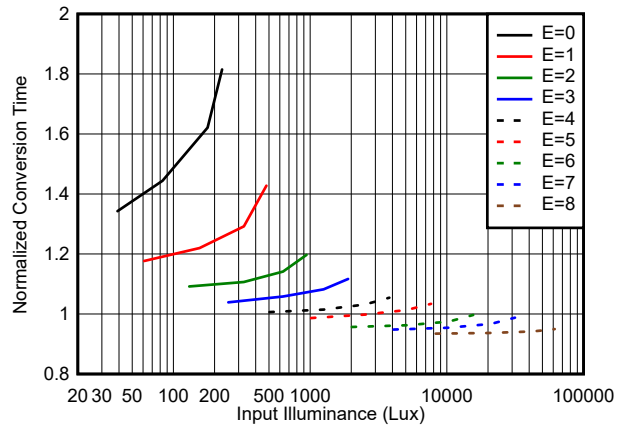
### 7.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

At  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V}$ , 800-ms conversion time (CONVERSION\_TIME = 0xB), automatic full-scale range (RANGE = 0xC), white LED, and normal-angle incidence of light, unless otherwise specified.



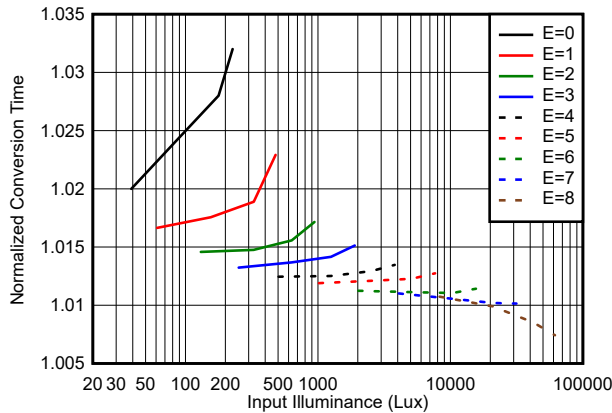
Normalized to 3.3 V

**Figure 7-7. Device Response vs Power Supply**



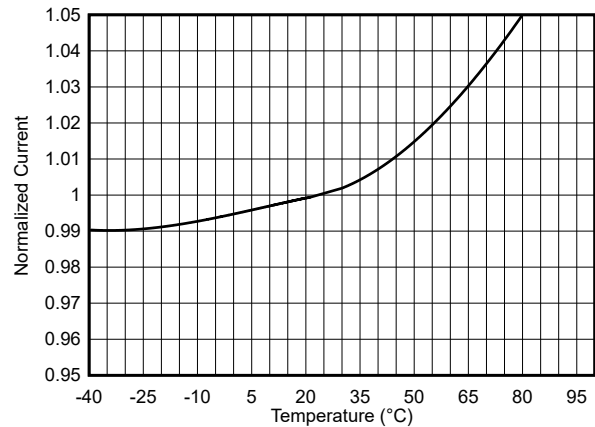
Register E (exponent) denotes the full-scale range  
Normalized to 600  $\mu\text{s}$

**Figure 7-8. Conversion Time at 600  $\mu\text{s}$  vs Input Light Level**



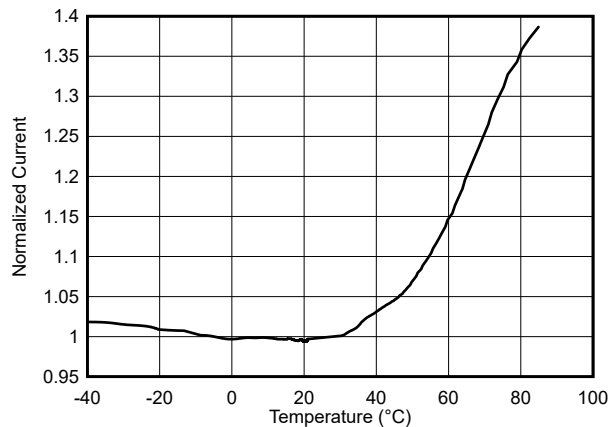
Register E (exponent) denotes the full-scale range  
Normalized to 25 ms

**Figure 7-9. Conversion Time at 25 ms vs Input Light Level**



Normalized to 25°C

**Figure 7-10. Active Current vs Temperature**



Normalized to 25°C

**Figure 7-11. Standby Current vs Temperature**

## 8 Detailed Description

### 8.1 Overview

OPT4001 measures the ambient light that illuminates the device. This device measures light with a spectral response very closely matched to the human eye, and with excellent infrared rejection.

Matching the sensor spectral response to that of the human eye response is vital because ambient light sensors are used to measure and help create excellent human lighting experiences. Strong rejection of infrared light, which a human does not see, is a crucial component of this matching. This matching makes the OPT4001 especially good for operation underneath windows that are visibly dark, but infrared transmissive.

OPT4001 is fully self-contained to measure the ambient light and report the result in ADC codes directly proportional to lux digitally over the I<sup>2</sup>C bus. The result can also be used to alert a system and interrupt a processor with the INT pin (with SOT-5X3 package variant). The result can also be summarized with a programmable threshold comparison and communicated with the INT pin (with SOT-5X3 package variant).

OPT4001 is by default configured to operate in automatic full-scale range detection mode that always selects the best full-scale range setting for the given lighting conditions. There are 9 full-scale range settings, one of which can be selected manually as well. Setting the device to operate in automatic full-scale range detection mode frees the user from having to program their software for potential iterative cycles of measurement and readjustment of the full-scale range until good for any given measurement. With device exhibiting excellent linearity over the entire 28 bit dynamic range of measurement no additional linearity calibration is required at system level.

OPT4001 can be configured to operate in continuous or one-shot measurement modes. The device offers 12 conversion times ranging from 600  $\mu$ s to 800 ms. The device starts up in a low-power shutdown state, such that the OPT4001 only consumes active-operation power after being programmed into an active state.

OPT4001 optical filtering system is not excessively sensitive to small particles and micro-shadows on the optical surface. This reduced sensitivity is a result of the relatively minor device dependency on uniform density optical illumination of the sensor area for infrared rejection. Proper optical surface cleanliness is always recommended for best results on all optical devices.

### 8.2 Functional Block Diagram

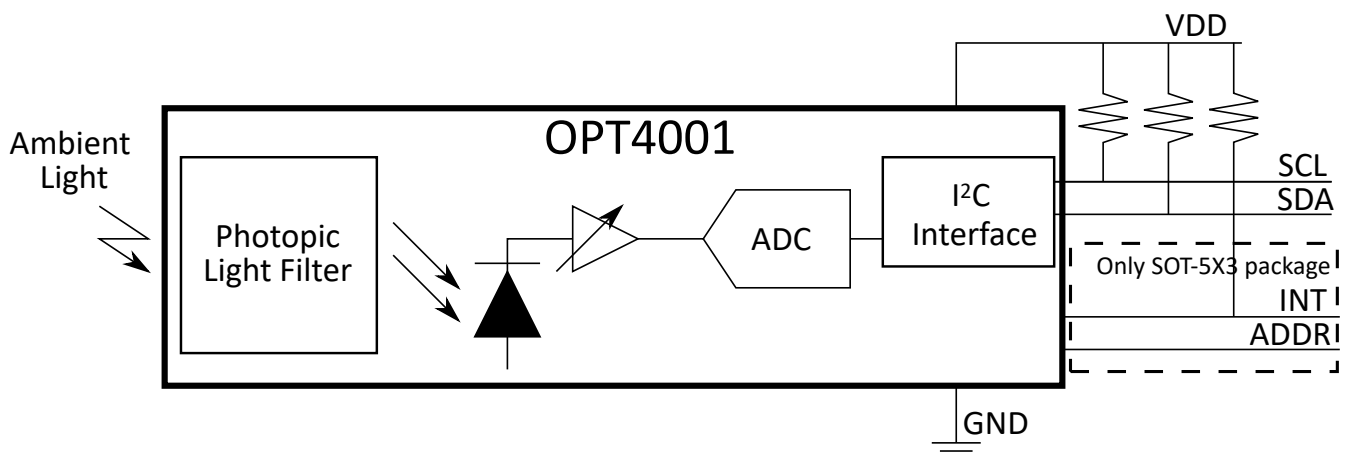


Figure 8-1. Functional Block Diagram of OPT4001

## 8.3 Feature Description

### 8.3.1 Spectral Matching to Human Eye

OPT4001 spectral response closely matches that of the human eye. If the ambient light sensor measurement is used to help create a good human experience, or create optical conditions that are good for humans, then the sensor must measure the same spectrum of light that a human sees.

OPT4001 also has excellent infrared light (IR) rejection. This IR rejection is especially important because many real-world lighting sources have significant infrared content that humans do not see. If the sensor measures infrared light that the human eye does not see, then a true human experience is not accurately represented.

If the application demands hiding OPT4001 underneath dark window (such that the end-product user cannot see the sensor) the infrared rejection of the OPT4001 becomes significantly more important because many dark windows attenuate visible light but transmit infrared light. This attenuation of visible light and lack of attenuation of IR light amplifies the ratio of the infrared light to visible light that illuminates the sensor. Results can still be well matched to the human eye under this condition because of the high infrared rejection of the OPT4001.

### 8.3.2 Automatic Full-Scale Range Setting

The OPT4001 has an automatic full-scale range setting feature that eliminates the need to predict and set the best range for the device. In this mode, the device automatically selects the best full-scale range for varying lighting condition each measurement. The device has a high degree of result matching between the full-scale range settings. This matching eliminates the problem of varying results or the need for range-specific, user-calibrated gain factors when different full-scale ranges are chosen.

### 8.3.3 Output Register CRC and Counter

OPT4001 device features additional bits as part of the output register which helps in improving the reliability of light measurements for the application.

#### 8.3.3.1 Output Sample Counter

The OPT4001 device features a register **COUNTER** as part of the output registers which increments for every successful measurement. This register can be read as part of the output registers which helps the application to keep track of measurements. The 4 bit counter starts at 0 on power-up and counts up to 15 after which the counter resets back to 0 and continues to count up, which is particularly helpful in situations like the following:

- Host or the controller needs consecutive measurements. Utilizing the **COUNTER** register allows the controller to compare samples and makes sure that the samples are in expected order without missing intermediate counter values.
- As a safety feature where when light level are not changing, the controller can make sure that the measurements from OPT4001 are not stuck by comparing values of register **COUNTER** between measurements. If the **COUNTER** values continue to change over samples, the device is updating the output register with the most recent measurement of light levels.

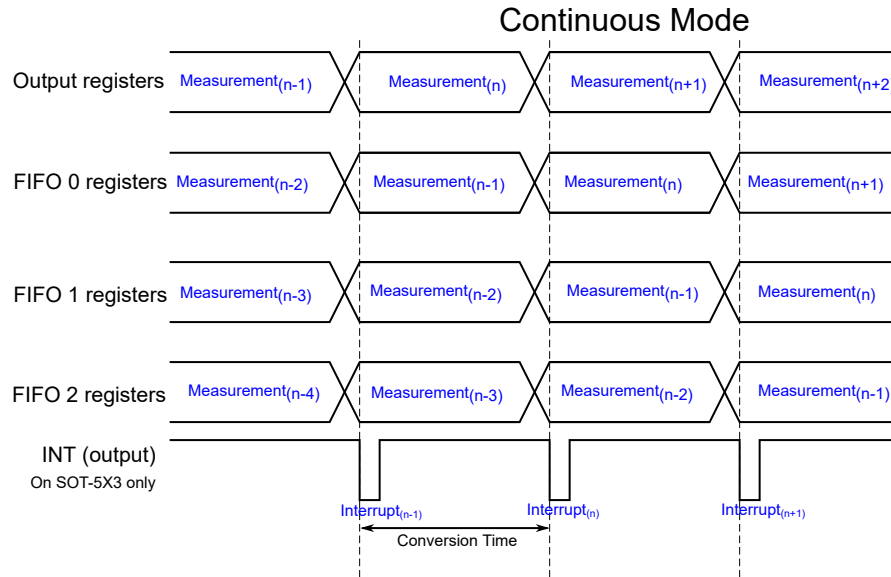
#### 8.3.3.2 Output CRC

**CRC** register consists of Cyclic Redundancy Checker bits part of the output registers calculated within the OPT4001 device and updated on every measurement. This feature helps in detecting communication related bit errors during the output readout from the device. The calculation method for the **CRC** bits is shown in [Figure 8-14](#), which can be independently verified in the controller or host firmware/software to validate if communication between the controller and the device was successful without bit errors during transmission.

### 8.3.4 Output Register FIFO

Output registers always contain the most recent light measurement. Along with output registers there are 3 more shadow registers which have the data from the previous 3 measurements. For every new measurement, the data on the 3 shadow registers are updated to contain the most recent measurements discarding the oldest measurement similar to a FIFO scheme. These shadow registers along with output registers act like a FIFO with a depth of 4. The INT pin (only on SOT-5X3 variant) can be configured as shown in the figure below to generate an interrupt every measurement or can be configured to generate an interrupt every 4 measurements using

the register `INT_CFG`. This way the controller reading data from OPT4001 device can minimize the number of interrupts by a factor of 4 and still get access to all the four measurements between the interrupts. By using the [Burst Read Mode](#) the output and FIFO registers can be read out with minimal I<sup>2</sup>C clocks.



**Figure 8-2. FIFO registers data movement**

### 8.3.5 Threshold Detection

OPT4001 features a threshold detection logic which can be programmed to indicate and update register flags if measured light levels cross thresholds set by the user. There are independent low and high threshold target registers with independent flag registers to indicate the status of measured light level. Measured light level reaching below low threshold and above the high threshold are called faults. Users can program a fault count register, which counts consecutive number of faults before the flag registers are set. This is particularly useful in cases where the controller can read the flag register alone to get indication of measured light level not really needing to do the lux calculations. Details on the register and setting up the threshold is available in [Section 8.3.5](#) and calculations for setting this up is available in [Threshold Detection Calculations](#).

## 8.4 Device Functional Modes

### 8.4.1 Modes of Operation

The OPT4001 device has the following modes of operation:

- **Power-down mode:** This is power-down or standby mode where the device enters a low power state. There is no active light sensing or conversion in this mode. Device still responds to I<sup>2</sup>C transactions which can be utilized to bring the device out of this mode. Register `OPERATING_MODE` is set to 0.
- **Continuous mode:** In this mode OPT4001 measures and updates the output registers continuously determined by the conversion time and generates hardware interrupt on pin INT (Only on SOT-5X3 package variant) for every successful conversion. TI recommends to configure the INT pin in output mode using the `INT_DIR` register. The device active circuits are continuously kept active to minimize the interval between measurements. Register `OPERATING_MODE` is set to 3.
- **One shot mode of operation:** There are several ways in which OPT4001 can be used in one shot mode of operation with one common theme where OPT4001 stays in standby mode and a conversion is triggered either by a register write to configuration register or hardware interrupt on the INT pin.

There are two types of one shot modes.

- **Force auto-range one shot mode:** Every one shot trigger forces a full reset on auto-ranging control logic and a fresh auto-range detection is initiated ignoring the previous measurements. This is particularly useful in situations where lighting conditions are expected to change a lot and one shot trigger frequency is not very often. There is small penalty on conversion time due for the auto-ranging logic to recover from

reset state. The full reset cycle on the auto-ranging control logic takes around 500  $\mu$ s which needs to be accounted for between measurements when this mode is used. Register OPERATING\_MODE is set to 1.

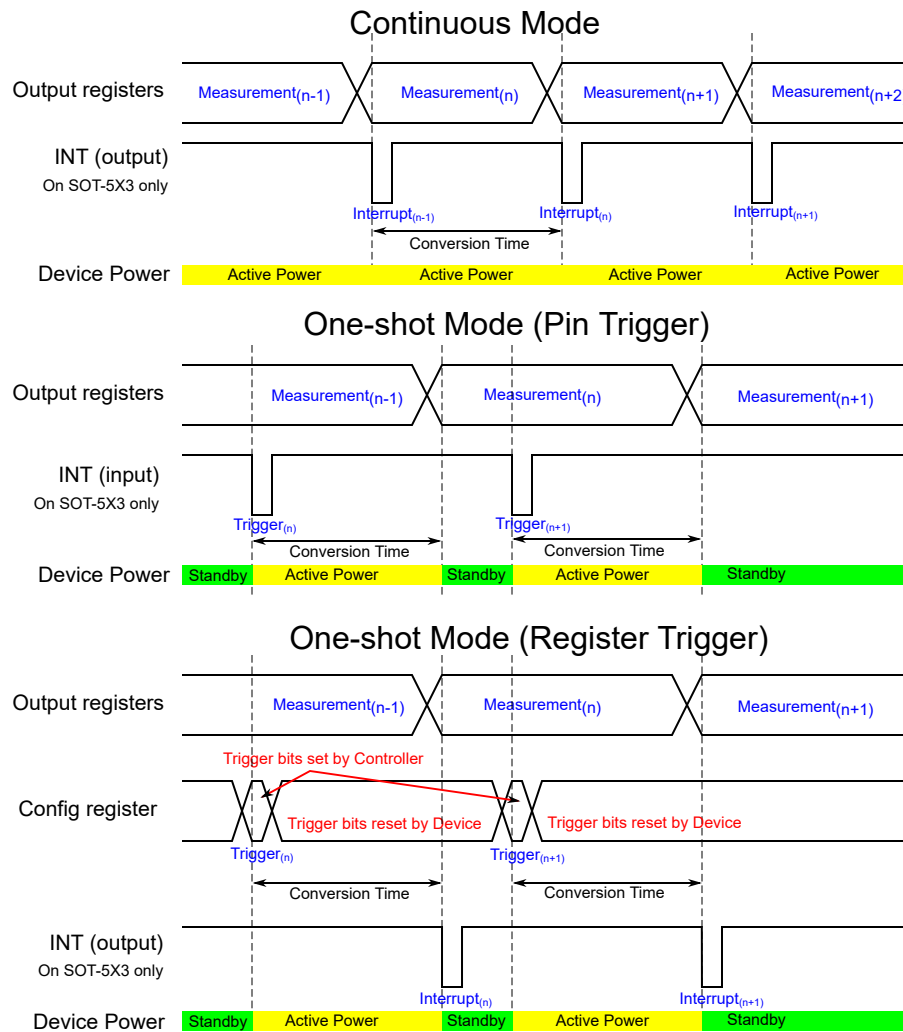
- **Regular auto-range one shot mode:** Auto-range selection logic utilizes the information from the previous measurements to decide the range for the current trigger. This mode is recommended only when the device needs time synchronized measurements with frequent triggers from the controller. In other words, this mode can be used as an alternative to continuous mode the key difference being that the interval between measurements is determined by the one shot triggers. Register OPERATING\_MODE is set to 2.

One Shot can be triggered by the following

- **Hardware trigger (Only on SOT-5X3 variant):** INT pin can be configured to be an input to trigger a measurement setting INT\_DIR register to 0. Since INT pin is used as input, there is no hardware interrupt to indicate completion of measurement. The controller needs to keep time from the trigger mechanism and read out output registers.
- **Register trigger:** An I<sup>2</sup>C write to the OPERATING\_MODE register triggers a measurement (value of 1 or 2). The register value is reset after next successful measurement. INT pin can be configured to indicate measurement completion to read out output registers setting the INT\_DIR register to 1.

TI highly recommends to set the interval between subsequent triggers to account for all the aspects involved in the trigger mechanism like the I<sup>2</sup>C transaction time, device wake-up time, auto-range time (if used) and device conversion time. If a conversion trigger is received before the completion of current measurement, the device simply ignores the new request until the previous conversion is completed.

Since the device enters standby after each one shot trigger, measurement interval in the one shot trigger mechanism needs to account for additional time  $T_{ss}$  as specified in the specification table for the circuits to recover from standby state. However setting the quick wake up register QWAKE eliminates the need for this additional  $T_{ss}$  at the cost of not powering down the active circuit with device not entering the standby mode between triggers.



**Figure 8-3. Timing Diagrams for different Operating modes**

### 8.4.2 Interrupt Modes of Operation

The device has an interrupt reporting system that allows the processor connected to the I<sup>2</sup>C bus to go to sleep, or otherwise ignore the device results, until a user-defined event occurs that requires possible action. Alternatively, this same mechanism can also be used with any system that can take advantage of a single digital signal that indicates whether the light is above or below levels of interest.

The INT pin has an open-drain output, which requires the use of a pull-up resistor. This open-drain output allows multiple devices with open-drain INT pins to be connected to the same line, thus creating a logical *NOR* or *AND* function between the devices. The polarity of the INT pin can be controlled by the `INT_POL`.

There are two major types of interrupt reporting mechanism modes: latched window comparison mode and transparent hysteresis comparison mode. The configuration register `LATCH` controls which of these two modes is used. [Table 8-1](#) and [Figure 8-4](#) summarize the function of these two modes. Additionally, the INT pin can either be used to indicate a fault in one of these modes (`INT_CFG=0`) or to indicate a conversion completion (`INT_CFG >0`). This is shown in [Table 8-2](#).

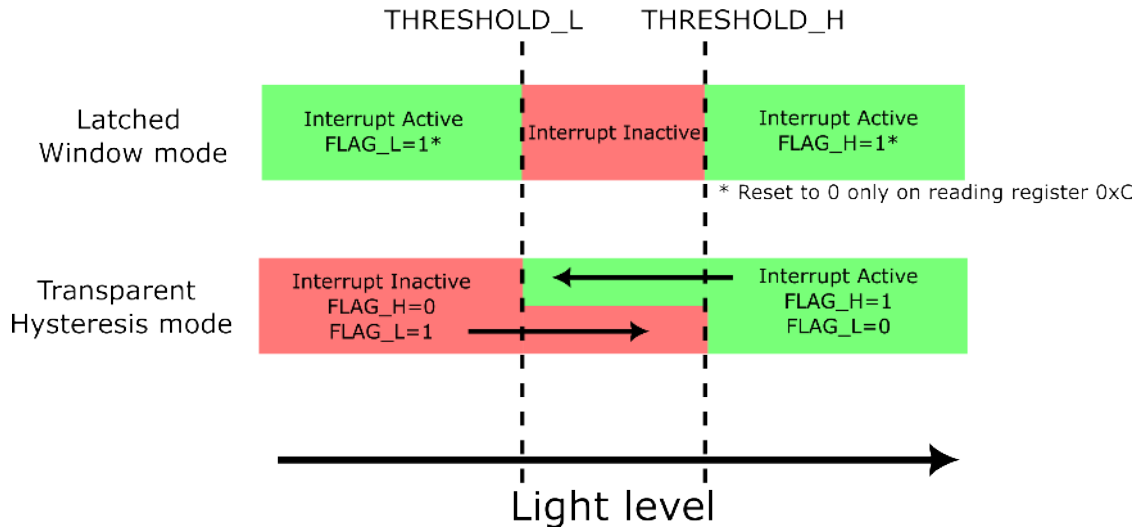


Figure 8-4. Interrupt Pin Status (for INT\_CFG=0 setting) and Register Flag Behavior

Table 8-1. Interrupt Pin Status (for INT\_CFG=0 setting) and Register Flag Behavior

LATCH Setting	INT Pin State (when INT_CFG=0)	FLAG_H Value	FLAG_L Value	Latching Behavior
0: Transparent hysteresis mode	INT pin indicates if measurement is above (INT active) or below (INT inactive) the threshold. If measurement is between the high and low threshold values then the previous INT value is maintained. This prevents the INT pin from repeated toggling when the measurement values are close to the threshold.	0: If measurement is below the low limit 1: If measurement is above the high limit If measurement is between high and low limits previous value is maintained	0: If measurement is above the high limit 1: If measurement is below the low limit If measurement is between high and low limits previous value is maintained	Not latching: Values are updated after each conversion
1: Latched window mode	INT pin becomes active if the measurement is outside the window (above high threshold or below the low threshold). The INT pin does not reset and return to the inactive state until register 0xC is read.	1: If measurement is above the high limit	1: If measurement is below the low limit	Latching: INT pin, FLAG_H and FLAG_L values do not reset until the register 0x0C is read.

The [THRESHOLD\\_H](#), [THRESHOLD\\_L](#), [LATCH](#) and [FAULT\\_COUNT](#) registers control the interrupt behavior. The [LATCH](#) field setting allows a choice between the latched window mode and transparent hysteresis mode as shown in the table. Interrupt reporting can be observed on INT pin (for SOT-5X3 variant only), the [FLAG\\_H](#), and the [FLAG\\_L](#) registers.

Results from comparing the current sensor measurements with [THRESHOLD\\_H](#) and [THRESHOLD\\_L](#) registers are referred to as *fault events*. The calculations to set these registers can be found in [Threshold Detection Calculations](#). The [FAULT\\_COUNT](#) register dictates the number of continuous *fault events* required to trigger an interrupt event and subsequently change the state of the interrupt reporting mechanisms. For example, with a [FAULT\\_COUNT](#) value of 2 corresponding to 4 fault counts, the INT pin (for SOT-5X3 variant only), [FLAG\\_H](#) and [FLAG\\_L](#) states shown in the table are not realized unless 4 consecutive measurements are taken that satisfy the fault condition.

INT pin function (for SOT-5X3 variant only) listed in [Table 8-1](#) is valid only when [INT\\_CFG=0](#). The INT pin function can be changed to indicate an end of conversion or FIFO full state as shown in [Table 8-2](#). The [FLAG\\_H](#)

and [FLAG\\_L](#) registers continue to behave as listed in [Table 8-1](#) even while [INT\\_CFG](#) > 0. The polarity of the INT pin is controlled by the [INT\\_POL](#) register.

**Table 8-2. INT\_CFG Setting and Resulting INT Pin Behavior**

INT_CFG Setting	INT Pin Function
0	As per <a href="#">Table 8-1</a>
1	INT pin asserted with 1us pulse width after every conversion
3	INT pin asserted with 1us pulse width every 4 conversions to indicate the FIFO is full

### 8.4.3 Light Range Selection

The OPT4001 has an automatic full-scale-range setting mode that eliminates the need for a user to predict and set the best range for the device. This mode is entered when register [RANGE](#) is set to 0xC. The device determines the appropriate full-scale range to take the measurement based on a combination of current lighting conditions and the previous measurement.

If a measurement is towards the low side of full-scale, then the full-scale range is decreased by one or two settings for the next measurement. If a measurement is towards the upper side of full-scale, the full-scale range is increased by one setting for the next measurement.

If the measurement exceeds the full-scale range, resulting from a fast increasing optical transient event, then the current measurement is aborted. This invalid measurement is not reported. If the scale is not at the maximum, then the device increases the scale by one step and a new measurement is retaken with that scale. Therefore, during a fast increasing optical transient in this mode, a measurement can possibly take longer to complete and report than indicated by the configuration register [CONVERSION\\_TIME](#).

TI highly recommends to use this feature, since the device selects the best range setting based on lighting condition. However, there is an option to manually set the range. Setting the range manually turns off the automatic full-scale selection logic and the device operates for a particular range setting.



**Table 8-3. Range Selection Table**

RANGE register setting	Typical Full-scale Light level for PicoStar™ variant	Typical Full-scale Light level for SOT-5X3 variant
0	328 lux	459 lux
1	655 lux	918 lux
2	1311 lux	1835 lux
3	2621 lux	3670 lux
4	5243 lux	7340 lux
5	10486 lux	14680 lux
6	20972 lux	29360 lux
7	41943 lux	58720 lux
8	83886 lux	117441 lux
12	Determined by automatic full-scale range logic	

#### 8.4.4 Selecting Conversion Time

The OPT4001 device offers several conversion times to select from. Conversion Time is defined as how much time for one measurement to complete and update the results in output register from the time measurement is initiated. Measurement initiation is determined by the mode of operation as specified in [Modes of Operation](#).

**Table 8-4. Conversion Time Selection**

CONVERSION_TIME register	Typical Conversion Time
0	0.6 ms
1	1 ms
2	1.8 ms
3	3.4 ms
4	6.5 ms
5	12.7 ms
6	25 ms
7	50 ms
8	100 ms
9	200 ms
10	400 ms
11	800 ms

#### 8.4.5 Light Measurement in Lux

The OPT4001 device measures light and updates output registers with proportional ADC codes. Output of the device is represented by two parts (i) 4 bits of [EXPONENT](#) and (ii) 20 bits of [MANTISSA](#). This arrangement of binary logarithmic full-scale range with linear representation within a range helps in covering a large dynamic range of measurements. [MANTISSA](#) represents the linear ADC codes proportional to the measured light within a given full-scale range and the [EXPONENT](#) represents the current-full scale range selected. The selected range can be automatically determined by the auto-range selection logic or manually selected as per [Table 8-3](#).

Lux level can be determined using the following equations:

$$\text{MANTISSA} = (\text{RESULT\_MSB} \ll 8) + \text{RESULT\_LSB} \quad (1)$$

or

$$\text{MANTISSA} = (\text{RESULT\_MSB} \times 2^8) + \text{RESULT\_LSB} \quad (2)$$

where [RESULT\\_MSB](#), [RESULT\\_LSB](#) and [EXPONENT](#) are parts of the output register

RESULT\_MSB register carries the most significant 12 bits of the MANTISSA and RESULT\_LSB register carries the least significant 8 bits of the MANTISSA. MANTISSA is then computed using the above equations to get the 20 bit number. EXPONENT is directly read from the register which is 4 bits.

Once the EXPONENT and MANTISSA portions are calculated the linearized ADC\_CODES is calculated using the following equation:

$$\text{ADC\_CODES} = (\text{MANTISSA} \ll \text{E}) \quad (3)$$

or

$$\text{ADC\_CODES} = (\text{MANTISSA} \times 2^{\text{E}}) \quad (4)$$

With maximum value for register E being 8 ADC\_CODES is effectively a 28 bit number. The semi-logarithmic numbers have been converted to a linear ADC\_CODES representation, which is simple to convert to lux given by the following formula

$$\text{lux} = \text{ADC\_CODES} \times 312.5\text{E-}6 \text{ for the PicoStar™ variant} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{lux} = \text{ADC\_CODES} \times 437.5\text{E-}6 \text{ for the SOT-5X3 variant} \quad (6)$$

The MANTISSA and ADC\_CODES are large numbers with 20 and 28 bits required to represent them. While developing firmware or software for these calculations, allocating appropriate data types to prevent data overflow is important. Some explicit typecasting to a larger data type such as 32 bit representation before left shift operation ( $\ll$ ) operations is recommended.

### Threshold Detection Calculations

Threshold result registers [THRESHOLD\\_H\\_RESULT](#) and [THRESHOLD\\_L\\_RESULT](#) are 12 bit, while threshold exponent registers [THRESHOLD\\_H\\_EXPONENT](#) and [THRESHOLD\\_L\\_EXPONENT](#) are 4 bits. Since threshold is compared at linear ADC\_CODES, the threshold registers are padded with zeros internally as shown to compare with the ADC\_CODES

$$\text{ADC\_CODES\_TH} = \text{THRESHOLD\_H\_RESULT} \ll (8 + \text{THRESHOLD\_H\_EXPONENT}) \quad (7)$$

or

$$\text{ADC\_CODES\_TH} = \text{THRESHOLD\_H\_RESULT} \times 2^{(8 + \text{THRESHOLD\_H\_EXPONENT})} \quad (8)$$

and

$$\text{ADC\_CODES\_TL} = \text{THRESHOLD\_L\_RESULT} \ll (8 + \text{THRESHOLD\_L\_EXPONENT}) \quad (9)$$

or

$$\text{ADC\_CODES\_TL} = \text{THRESHOLD\_L\_RESULT} \times 2^{(8 + \text{THRESHOLD\_L\_EXPONENT})} \quad (10)$$

Threshold are then compared as shown to detect *fault events*.

$$\text{If } \text{ADC\_CODES} < \text{ADC\_CODES\_TL} \text{ a } \textit{fault low} \text{ is detected} \quad (11)$$

and

$$\text{If } \text{ADC\_CODES} > \text{ADC\_CODES\_TH} \text{ a } \textit{fault high} \text{ is detected} \quad (12)$$

Based on the [FAULT\\_COUNT](#) register setting, with consecutive *fault high* or *fault low* events, respective [FLAG\\_H](#) and [FLAG\\_L](#) registers are set, more details of which can be found in [Section 8.4.2](#). Understanding the relation between [THRESHOLD\\_H\\_EXPONENT](#), [THRESHOLD\\_H\\_RESULT](#), [THRESHOLD\\_L\\_EXPONENT](#),

THRESHOLD\_L\_RESULT and the output registers is important to be able to set appropriate threshold based on application needs.

### 8.4.6 Light Resolution

The OPT4001 device's effective resolution is dependent on both the conversion time setting and the full-scale light range. Although the LSB resolution of the linear ADC\_CODES doesn't change, the effective or useful resolution of the device is dependent on the conversion time setting and the full-scale range as per the table below. In conversion times where the effective resolution is lower, the LSBs are padded with 0.

**Table 8-5. Resolution Table for the Picostar™ Variant**

CONVERSION_TIME register	Conversion Time	MANTESA effective bits	EXPONENT	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			Full-scale lux	328	655	1310	2621	5243	10486	20972	41943	83886
<b>Effective Resolution in lux</b>												
0	600us	9		640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24	20.48	40.96	81.92	163.84
1	1 ms	10		320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24	20.48	40.96	81.92
2	1.8 ms	11		160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24	20.48	40.98
3	3.4 ms	12		80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24	20.48
4	6.5 ms	13		40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12	10.24
5	12.7 ms	14		20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56	5.12
6	25 ms	15		10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28	2.56
7	50 ms	16		5 m	10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m	1.28
8	100 ms	17		2.5 m	5 m	10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m	640 m
9	200 ms	18		1.25 m	2.5 m	5 m	10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m	320 m
10	400 ms	19		0.625 m	1.25 m	2.5 m	5 m	10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m	160 m
11	800 ms	20		0.3125 m	0.625 m	1.25 m	2.5 m	5 m	10 m	20 m	40 m	80 m

**Table 8-6. Resolution Table for the SOT-5X3 variant**

CONVERSION_TIME register	Conversion Time	MANTESA effective bits	EXPONENT	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			Full-scale lux	459	918	1835	3670	7340	14680	29360	58720	117441
<b>Effective Resolution in lux</b>												
0	600 us	9		896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168	14.336	28.672	47.344	114.688	229.376
1	1 ms	10		448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168	14.336	28.672	47.344	114.688
2	1.8 ms	11		224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168	14.336	28.672	47.344
3	3.4 ms	12		112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168	14.336	28.672
4	6.5 ms	13		56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168	14.336
5	12.7 ms	14		28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584	7.168
6	25 ms	15		14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792	3.584
7	50 ms	16		7 m	14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m	1.792
8	100 ms	17		3.5 m	7 m	14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m	896 m
9	200 ms	18		1.75 m	3.5m	7 m	14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m	448 m
10	400 ms	19		0.875 m	1.75m	3.5 m	7 m	14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m	224 m
11	800 ms	20		0.4375 m	0.875 m	1.75 m	3.5 m	7 m	14 m	28 m	56 m	112 m

## 8.5 Programming

The OP4001 supports the transmission protocol for standard mode (up to 100 kHz), fast mode (up to 400 kHz), and high-speed mode (up to 2.6 MHz). Fast and standard modes are described as the default protocol, referred to as F/S. High-speed mode is described in the [High-Speed I2C Mode](#) section.

### 8.5.1 I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Overview

The OPT4001 offers compatibility with both I<sup>2</sup>C and SMBus interfaces. The I<sup>2</sup>C and SMBus protocols are essentially compatible with one another. The I<sup>2</sup>C interface is used throughout this document as the primary example with the SMBus protocol specified only when a difference between the two protocols is discussed.

The device is connected to the bus with two pins: an SCL clock input pin and an SDA open-drain bidirectional data pin. The bus must have a controller device that generates the serial clock (SCL), controls the bus access, and generates start and stop conditions. To address a specific device, the controller initiates a start condition by pulling the data signal line (SDA) from a high logic level to a low logic level while SCL is high. All targets on the bus shift in the target address byte on the SCL rising edge, with the last bit indicating whether a read or write operation is intended. During the ninth clock pulse, the target being addressed responds to the controller by generating an acknowledge bit by pulling SDA low.

Data transfer is then initiated and eight bits of data are sent, followed by an acknowledge bit. During data transfer, SDA must remain stable while SCL is high. Any change in SDA while SCL is high is interpreted as a start or stop condition. When all data are transferred, the controller generates a stop condition, indicated by pulling SDA from low to high while SCL is high. The device includes a 28-ms timeout on the I<sup>2</sup>C interface to prevent locking up the bus. If the SCL line is held low for this duration of time, the bus state machine is reset.

#### 8.5.1.1 Serial Bus Address

To communicate with the OPT4001, the controller must first initiate an I<sup>2</sup>C start command. Then, the controller must address target devices via a target address byte. The target address byte consists of a seven bit address and a direction bit that indicates whether the action is to be a read or write operation.

For the SOT 5X3 variant, four I<sup>2</sup>C addresses are possible by connecting the ADDR pin to one of four pins: GND, VDD, SDA, or SCL. Table below summarizes the possible addresses with the corresponding ADDR pin configuration. The state of the ADDR pin is sampled on every bus communication and must be driven or connected to the desired level before any activity on the interface occurs.

ADDR PIN CONNECTION	DEVICE I <sup>2</sup> C ADDRESS
GND	1000100
VDD	1000101
SDA	1000110
SCL	1000101

In case of the PicoStar™ variant there is no target address selection capability and the device address is hard coded to 1000101b (0x45).

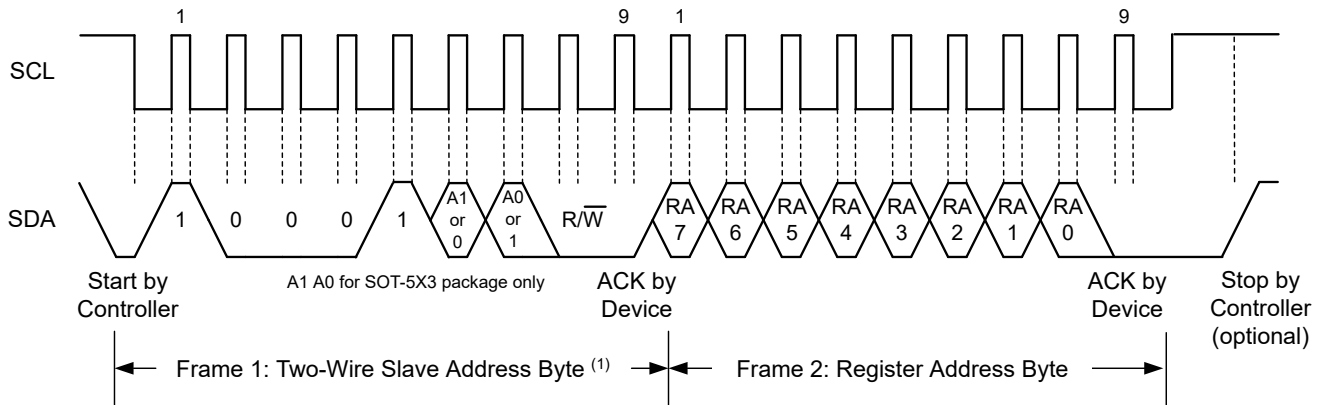
#### 8.5.1.2 Serial Interface

The OPT4001 operates as a target device on both the I<sup>2</sup>C bus and SMBus. Connections to the bus are made via the SCL clock input line and the SDA open-drain I/O line. The device supports the transmission protocol for standard mode (up to 100 kHz), fast mode (up to 400 kHz), and high-speed mode (up to 2.6 MHz). All data bytes are transmitted most-significant bits first.

The SDA and SCL pins feature integrated spike-suppression filters and Schmitt triggers to minimize the effects of input spikes and bus noise. See the [Section 9.2.1](#) for further details of the I<sup>2</sup>C bus noise immunity.

### 8.5.2 Writing and Reading

Accessing a specific register on the OPT4001 is accomplished by writing the appropriate register address during the I<sup>2</sup>C transaction sequence. Refer to [Section 8.6](#) for a complete list of registers and their corresponding register addresses. The value for the register address (as shown in [Figure 8-5](#)) is the first byte transferred after the target address byte with the R/W bit low.

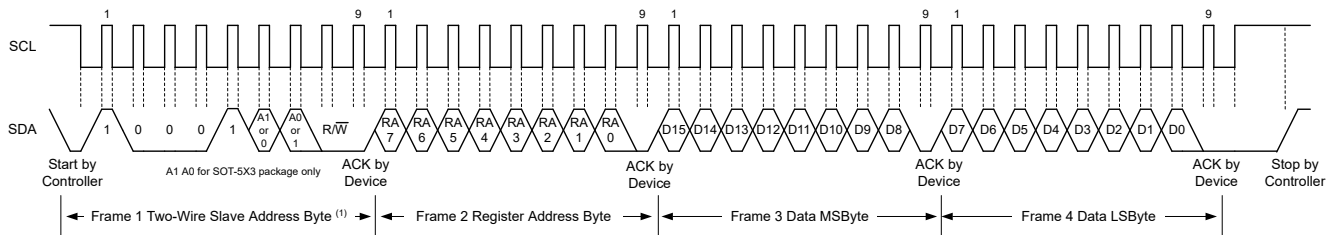


**Figure 8-5. Setting the I<sup>2</sup>C Register Address**

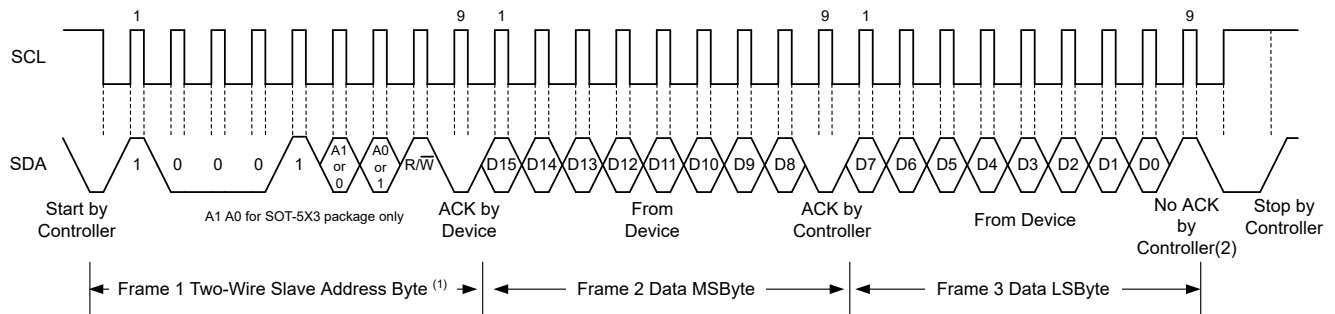
Writing to a register begins with the first byte transmitted by the controller. This byte is the target address with the R/W bit low. The device then acknowledges receipt of a valid address. The next byte transmitted by the controller is the address of the register that data are to be written to. The next two bytes are written to the register addressed by the register address. The device acknowledges receipt of each data byte. The controller can terminate the data transfer by generating a start or stop condition.

When reading from the device, the last value stored in the register address by a write operation determines which register is read during a read operation. To change the register address for a read operation, a new partial I<sup>2</sup>C write transaction must be initiated. This partial write is accomplished by issuing a target address byte with the R/W bit low, followed by the register address byte and a stop command. The controller then generates a start condition and sends the target address byte with the R/W bit high to initiate the read command. The next byte is transmitted by the target and is the most significant byte of the register indicated by the register address. This byte is followed by an acknowledge from the controller; then the target transmits the least significant byte. The controller acknowledges receipt of the data byte. The controller can terminate the data transfer by generating a not-acknowledge after receiving any data byte, or by generating a start or stop condition. If repeated reads from the same register are desired, continually sending the register address bytes is not necessary; the device retains the register address until that number is changed by the next write operation.

Figure 8-6 and Figure 8-7 show the write and read operation timing diagrams, respectively. Note that register bytes are sent most significant byte first, followed by the least significant byte.



**Figure 8-6. I<sup>2</sup>C Write Example**



A. An ACK by the controller can also be sent.

**Figure 8-7. I<sup>2</sup>C Read Example**

### 8.5.2.1 High-Speed I<sup>2</sup>C Mode

When the bus is idle, both the SDA and SCL lines are pulled high by the pullup resistors or active pullup devices. The controller generates a start condition followed by a valid serial byte containing the high-speed (HS) controller code 0000 1XXXb. This transmission is made in either standard mode or fast mode (up to 400 kHz). The device does not acknowledge the HS controller code but does recognize the code and switches its internal filters to support a 2.6-MHz operation.

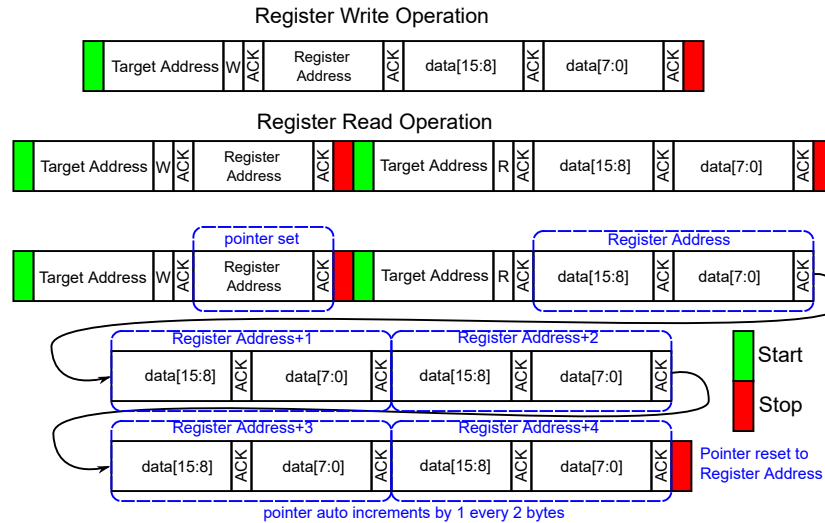
The controller then generates a repeated start condition (a repeated start condition has the same timing as the start condition). After this repeated start condition, the protocol is the same as F/S mode, except that transmission speeds up to 2.6 MHz are allowed. Instead of using a stop condition, use repeated start conditions to secure the bus in HS mode. A stop condition ends the HS mode and switches all internal filters of the device to support the F/S mode.

### 8.5.2.2 Burst Read Mode

OPT4001 supports I<sup>2</sup>C burst read mode which helps in minimizing the number of transactions on the bus for efficient data transfer from the device to the controller.

Before considering the burst mode, a regular I<sup>2</sup>C read transaction involves an I<sup>2</sup>C write operation to the device read pointer, followed by the actual I<sup>2</sup>C read operation. If the output registers and FIFO registers which are in continuous locations, are writing the register pointer every 2 bytes, this takes up several clock cycles. With the burst mode enabled, the read pointer address is auto incremented after every register read (2 bytes), eliminating the need write operations to set the pointer for subsequent register reads.

Burst mode can be enabled by setting the register I2C\_BURST. When a STOP command is issued the pointer resets to the original register address before the auto-increments.



**Figure 8-8. I<sup>2</sup>C Operations**

### 8.5.2.3 General-Call Reset Command

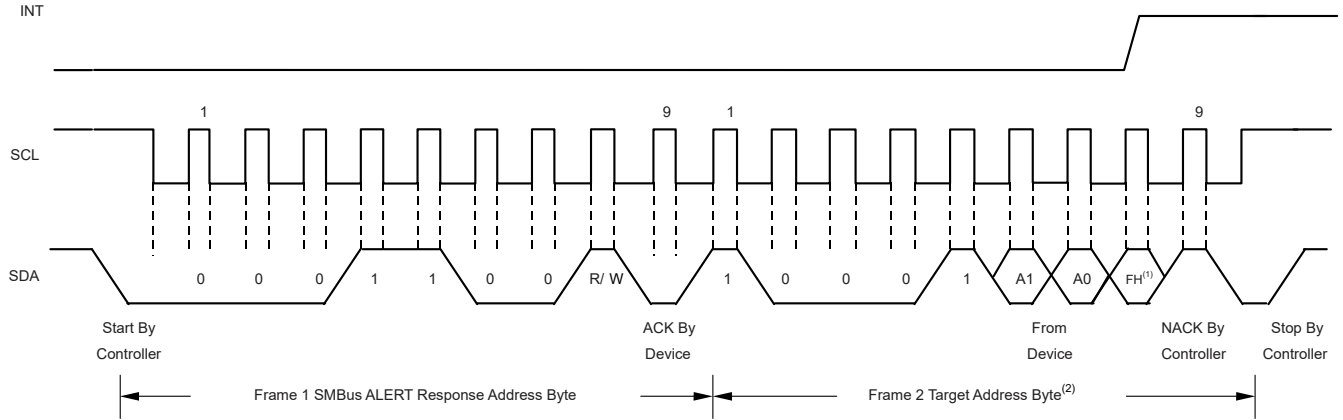
The I<sup>2</sup>C general-call reset allows the host controller in one command to reset all devices on the bus that respond to the general-call reset command. The general call is initiated by writing to the I<sup>2</sup>C address 0 (0000 0000b). The reset command is initiated when the subsequent second address byte is 06h (0000 0110b). With this transaction, the device issues an acknowledge bit and sets all registers to the power-on-reset default condition.

### 8.5.2.4 SMBus Alert Response

The SMBus alert response provides a quick identification for which device issued the interrupt. Without this alert response capability, the processor does not know which device pulled the interrupt line when there are multiple target devices connected.

OPT4001 is designed to respond to the SMBus alert response address, when in the latched window-style comparison mode. The OPT4001 does not respond to the SMBus alert response when in transparent mode.

The response behavior of the device to the SMBus alert response is shown in Figure 8-9. When the interrupt line to the processor is pulled to active, the controller can broadcast the alert response target address. Following this alert response, any target devices that generated an alert identify themselves by acknowledging the alert response and sending respective I<sup>2</sup>C address on the bus. The alert response can activate several different target devices simultaneously. If more than one target attempts to respond, bus arbitration rules apply. The device with the lowest address wins the arbitration. If the OPT4001 loses the arbitration, the device does not acknowledge the I<sup>2</sup>C transaction and the INT pin remains in an active state, prompting the I<sup>2</sup>C controller processor to issue a subsequent SMBus alert response. When the OPT4001 wins the arbitration, the device acknowledges the transaction and sets the INT pin to inactive. The controller can issue that same command again, as many times as necessary to clear the INT pin. See Section 8.4.2 for additional details of how the flags and INT pin are controlled. The controller can obtain information about the source of the OPT4001 interrupt from the address broadcast in the above process. The FLAG\_H value is sent as the final LSB of the address to provide the controller additional information about the cause of the OPT4001 interrupt. If the controller requires additional information, the result register or the configuration register can be queried. The FLAG\_H and FLAG\_L fields are not cleared upon an SMBus alert response.



- A. FH is the [FLAG\\_H](#) register
- B. A1 and A0 are determined by the ADDR pin (only on SOT-5X3 version)

**Figure 8-9. Timing Diagram for SMBus Alert Response**



## 8.6 Register Maps

**Figure 8-10. ALL Register Map**

ADD	D15	D14	D13	D12	D11	D10	D9	D8	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
00h	EXPONENT				RESULT_MSB											
01h	RESULT_LSB						COUNTER				CRC					
02h	EXPONENT_FIFO0				RESULT_MSB_FIFO0											
03h	RESULT_LSB_FIFO0						COUNTER_FIFO0				CRC_FIFO0					
04h	EXPONENT_FIFO1				RESULT_MSB_FIFO1											
05h	RESULT_LSB_FIFO1						COUNTER_FIFO1				CRC_FIFO1					
06h	EXPONENT_FIFO2				RESULT_MSB_FIFO2											
07h	RESULT_LSB_FIFO2						COUNTER_FIFO2				CRC_FIFO2					
08h	THRESHOLD_L_EXPONENT				THRESHOLD_L_RESULT											
09h	THRESHOLD_H_EXPONENT				THRESHOLD_H_RESULT											
0Ah	QWAKE	0	RANGE				CONVERSION_TIME				OPERATING_MODE		LATCH	INT_POL	FAULT_COUNT	
0Bh	1024										INT_DIR	INT_CFG		0	I2C_BURST	
0Ch	0										OVERLOAD_FLAG	CONVERSION_READY_FLAG	FLAG_H	FLAG_L		
11h	0		DIDL			DIDH										

## 8.6.1 ALL Register Map

### 8.6.1.1 Register 0h (offset = 0h) [reset = 0h]

**Figure 8-11. Register 0h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
EXPONENT				RESULT_MSB			
R-0h				R-0h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RESULT_MSB							
R-0h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-12. Register 00 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	EXPONENT	R	0h	EXPONENT output. Determines the full-scale range of the light measurement. Used as a scaling factor for lux calculation
11-0	RESULT_MSB	R	0h	Result register MSB (Most significant bits). Used to calculate the MANTISSA representing light level within a given EXPONENT or full-scale range

### 8.6.1.2 Register 1h (offset = 1h) [reset = 0h]

**Figure 8-13. Register 1h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
RESULT_LSB							
R-0h							
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
COUNTER				CRC			
R-0h				R-0h			

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-14. Register 01 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-8	RESULT_LSB	R	0h	Result register LSB(Least significant bits). Used to calculate MANTISSA representing light level within a given EXPONENT or full-scale range
7-4	COUNTER	R	0h	Sample counter. Rolling counter which increments for every conversion
3-0	CRC	R	0h	CRC bits. $R[19:0] = \text{MANTISSA} = ((\text{RESULT\_MSB} \ll 8) + \text{RESULT\_LSB})$ $X[0] = \text{XOR}(E[3:0], R[19:0], C[3:0])$ XOR of all bits $X[1] = \text{XOR}(C[1], C[3], R[1], R[3], R[5], R[7], R[9], R[11], R[13], R[15], R[17], R[19], E[1], E[3])$ $X[2] = \text{XOR}(C[3], R[3], R[7], R[11], R[15], R[19], E[3])$ $X[3] = \text{XOR}(R[3], R[11], R[19])$

### 8.6.1.3 Register 2h (offset = 2h) [reset = 0h]

**Figure 8-15. Register 2h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
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**Figure 8-15. Register 2h (continued)**

EXPONENT_FIFO0				RESULT_MSB_FIFO0			
R-0h				R-0h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RESULT_MSB_FIFO0							
R-0h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-16. Register 02 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	EXPONENT_FIF00	R	0h	EXPONENT register from FIFO 0
11-0	RESULT_MSB_FIF00	R	0h	RESULT_MSB Register from FIFO 0

**8.6.1.4 Register 3h (offset = 3h) [reset = 0h]**

**Figure 8-17. Register 3h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
RESULT_LSB_FIFO0							
R-0h							
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
COUNTER_FIFO0				CRC_FIFO0			
R-0h				R-0h			

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-18. Register 03 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-8	RESULT_LSB_FIF00	R	0h	RESULT_LSB Register from FIFO 0
7-4	COUNTER_FIFO0	R	0h	COUNTER Register from FIFO 0
3-0	CRC_FIFO0	R	0h	CRC Register from FIFO 0

**8.6.1.5 Register 4h (offset = 4h) [reset = 0h]**

**Figure 8-19. Register 4h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
EXPONENT_FIFO1				RESULT_MSB_FIFO1			
R-0h				R-0h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RESULT_MSB_FIFO1							
R-0h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-20. Register 04 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	EXPONENT_FIF01	R	0h	EXPONENT register from FIFO 1

**Figure 8-20. Register 04 Field Descriptions (continued)**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
11-0	RESULT_MSB_FI FO1	R	0h	RESULT_MSB Register from FIFO 1

**8.6.1.6 Register 5h (offset = 5h) [reset = 0h]****Figure 8-21. Register 5h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
RESULT_LSB_FIFO1							
R-0h							
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
COUNTER_FIFO1				CRC_FIFO1			
R-0h				R-0h			

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-22. Register 05 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-8	RESULT_LSB_FI FO1	R	0h	RESULT_LSB Register from FIFO 1
7-4	COUNTER_FIFO 1	R	0h	COUNTER Register from FIFO 1
3-0	CRC_FIFO1	R	0h	CRC Register from FIFO 1

**8.6.1.7 Register 6h (offset = 6h) [reset = 0h]****Figure 8-23. Register 6h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
EXPONENT_FIFO2				RESULT_MSB_FIFO2			
R-0h				R-0h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RESULT_MSB_FIFO2							
R-0h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-24. Register 06 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	EXPONENT_FIF O2	R	0h	EXPONENT register from FIFO 2
11-0	RESULT_MSB_FI FO2	R	0h	RESULT_MSB Register from FIFO 2

**8.6.1.8 Register 7h (offset = 7h) [reset = 0h]****Figure 8-25. Register 7h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
RESULT_LSB_FIFO2							
R-0h							
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

**Figure 8-25. Register 7h (continued)**

COUNTER_FIFO2	CRC_FIFO2
R-0h	R-0h

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-26. Register 07 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-8	RESULT_LSB_FIFO2	R	0h	RESULT_LSB Register from FIFO 2
7-4	COUNTER_FIFO2	R	0h	COUNTER Register from FIFO 2
3-0	CRC_FIFO2	R	0h	CRC Register from FIFO 2

### 8.6.1.9 Register 8h (offset = 8h) [reset = 0h]

**Figure 8-27. Register 8h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
THRESHOLD_L_EXPONENT				THRESHOLD_L_RESULT			
R/W-0h				R/W-0h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
THRESHOLD_L_RESULT							
R/W-0h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-28. Register 08 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	THRESHOLD_L_EXPONENT	R/W	0h	Threshold low register exponent
11-0	THRESHOLD_L_RESULT	R/W	0h	Threshold low register result

### 8.6.1.10 Register 9h (offset = 9h) [reset = BFFFh]

**Figure 8-29. Register 9h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
THRESHOLD_H_EXPONENT				THRESHOLD_H_RESULT			
R/W-Bh				R/W-Fh			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
THRESHOLD_H_RESULT							
R/W-FFh							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-30. Register 09 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-12	THRESHOLD_H_EXPONENT	R/W	Bh	Threshold high register exponent
11-0	THRESHOLD_H_RESULT	R/W	FFFh	Threshold high register result

### 8.6.1.11 Register Ah (offset = Ah) [reset = 3208h]

**Figure 8-31. Register Ah**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	
QWAKE	0	RANGE				CONVERSION_TIME		
R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-Ch				R/W-2h		
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
CONVERSION_TIME		OPERATING_MODE		LATCH	INT_POL	FAULT_COUNT		
R/W-0h		R/W-0h		R/W-1h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h		

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-32. Register 0A Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-15	QWAKE	R/W	0h	Quick Wake-up from Standby in one shot mode by not powering down all circuits. Applicable only in One-shot mode and helps get out of standby mode faster with penalty in power consumption compared to full standby mode.
14-14	0	R/W	0h	Must read or write 0
13-10	RANGE	R/W	Ch	Controls the full-scale light level range of the device. The format of this register is same as the EXPONENT register for all values from 0 to 8. PicoStar™ variant: 0 : 328lux 1 : 655lux 2 : 1.3klux 3 : 2.6klux 4 : 5.2klux 5 : 10.5klux 6 : 21klux 7 : 42klux 8 : 83klux 12 : Auto-Range SOT-5X3 variant: 0 : 459lux 1 : 918lux 2 : 1.8klux 3 : 3.7klux 4 : 7.3klux 5 : 14.7klux 6 : 29.4klux 7 : 58.7klux 8 : 117.4klux 12 : Auto-range
9-6	CONVERSION_TIME	R/W	8h	Controls the device conversion time 0 : 600us 1 : 1ms 2 : 1.8ms 3 : 3.4ms 4 : 6.5ms 5 : 12.7ms 6 : 25ms 7 : 50ms 8 : 100ms 9 : 200ms 10 : 400ms 11 : 800ms
5-4	OPERATING_MODE	R/W	0h	Controls device mode of operation 0 : Power-down 1 : Forced auto-range One-shot 2 : One-shot 3 : Continuous
3-3	LATCH	R/W	1h	Controls the functionality of the interrupt reporting mechanisms for INT pin for the threshold detection logic.

**Figure 8-32. Register 0A Field Descriptions (continued)**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
2-2	INT_POL	R/W	0h	Controls the polarity or active state of the INT pin. 0 : Active Low 1 : Active High
1-0	FAULT_COUNT	R/W	0h	Fault count register instructs the device as to how many consecutive fault events are required to trigger the threshold mechanisms: the flag high (FLAG_H) and the flag low (FLAG_L) registers. 0 : One fault Count 1 : Two Fault Counts 2 : Four Fault Counts 3 : Eight Fault Counts

**8.6.1.12 Register Bh (offset = Bh) [reset = 8011h]**

**Figure 8-33. Register Bh**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R/W-1h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	0	0	INT_DIR	INT_CFG		0	I2C_BURST
R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-1h	R/W-0h		R/W-0h	R/W-1h

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-34. Register 0B Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-5	1024	R/W	400h	Must read or write 1024
4-4	INT_DIR	R/W	1h	Determines the direction of the INT pin. 0 : Input 1 : Output
3-2	INT_CFG	R/W	0h	Controls the output interrupt mechanism after end of conversion 0 : SMBUS Alert 1 : INT Pin asserted after every conversion 2 : Invalid 3 : INT pin asserted after every 4 conversions (FIFO full)
1-1	0	R/W	0h	Must read or write 0
0-0	I2C_BURST	R/W	1h	When set, enables I2C burst mode minimizing I2C read cycles by auto incrementing read register pointer by 1 after every register read

**8.6.1.13 Register Ch (offset = Ch) [reset = 0h]**

**Figure 8-35. Register Ch**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	0	0	0	OVERLOAD_F LAG	CONVERSION _READY_FLAG	FLAG_H	FLAG_L
R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R-0h	R-0h	R-0h	R-0h

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-36. Register 0C Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-4	0	R/W	0h	Must read or write 0
3-3	OVERLOAD_FLAG	R	0h	Indicates when an overflow condition occurs in the data conversion process, typically because the light illuminating the device exceeds the full-scale range.
2-2	CONVERSION_READY_FLAG	R	0h	Conversion ready flag indicates when a conversion completes. The flag is set to 1 at the end of a conversion and is cleared (set to 0) when register address 0xC is either read or written with any non-zero value 0 : Conversion in progress 1 : Conversion is complete
1-1	FLAG_H	R	0h	Flag high register identifies that the result of a conversion is measurement than a specified level of interest. FLAG_H is set to 1 when the result is larger than the level in the THRESHOLD_H_EXPONENT and THRESHOLD_H_RESULT registers for a consecutive number of measurements defined by the FAULT_COUNT register.
0-0	FLAG_L	R	0h	Flag low register identifies that the result of a measurement is smaller than a specified level of interest. FL is set to 1 when the result is smaller than the level in the THRESHOLD_LOW_EXPONENT and THRESHOLD_L_RESULT registers for a consecutive number of measurements defined by the FAULT_COUNT register.

#### 8.6.1.14 Register 11h (offset = 11h) [reset = 121h]

**Figure 8-37. Register 11h**

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8
0	0	DIDL		DIDH			
R/W-0h	R/W-0h	R-0h		R-1h			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
DIDH							
R-21h							

LEGEND: R/W = Read/Write; W = Write only; -n = value after reset

**Figure 8-38. Register 11 Field Descriptions**

Bit	Field	Type	Reset	Description
15-14	0	R/W	0h	Must read or write 0
13-12	DIDL	R	0h	Device ID L
11-0	DIDH	R	121h	Device ID H



## 9 Application and Implementation

### Note

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes, as well as validating and testing their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

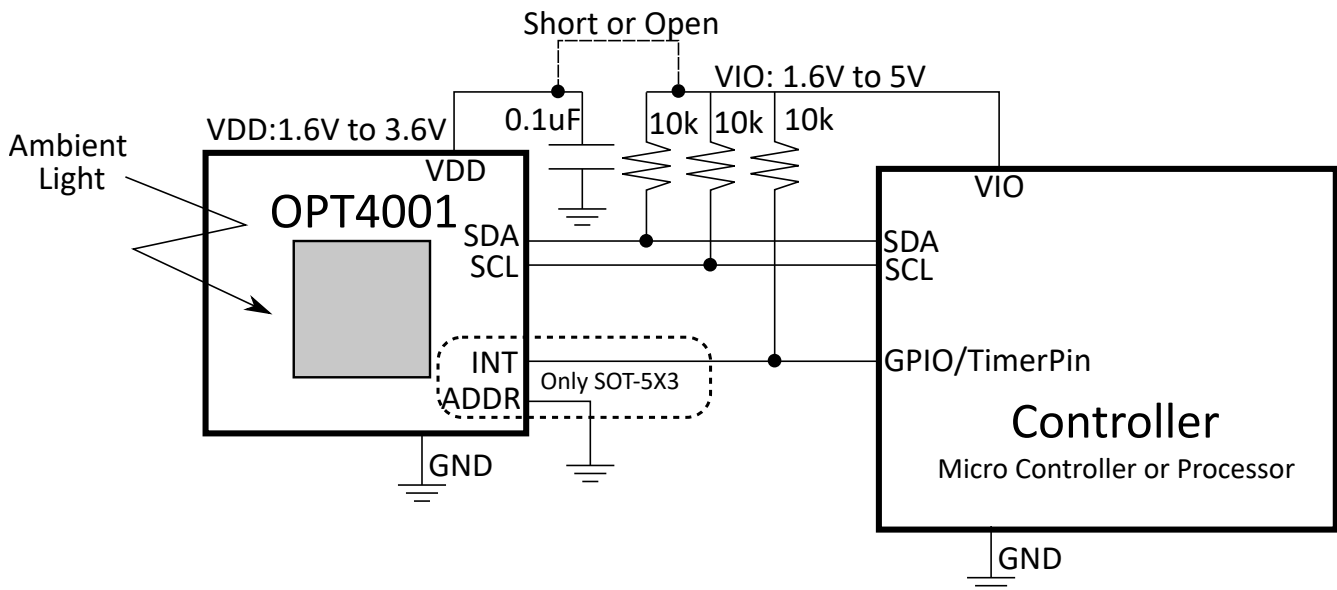
### 9.1 Application Information

Ambient light sensors are used in a wide variety of applications that require precise measurement of light as perceived by human eye, since they have a specialized filter that mimic human eye. The following sections shows crucial information about integrating OPT4001 in applications.

### 9.2 Typical Application

#### 9.2.1 Electrical Interface

The electrical interface is quite simple, as illustrated in [Figure 9-1](#) below. Connect the OPT4001 I<sup>2</sup>C SDA and SCL pins to the same pins of an applications processor, micro controller, or other digital processor. If that digital processor requires an interrupt resulting from an event of interest from the OPT4001, then connect the INT pin to either an interrupt or general-purpose I/O pin of the processor (Only for the SOT-5X3). There are multiple uses for this INT pin, including triggering a measurement on one-shot mode, signaling the system to wake up from low-power mode, processing other tasks while waiting for an ambient light event of interest, or alerting the processor that a sample is ready to be read.. Connect pullup resistors between a power supply appropriate for digital communication and the SDA and SCL pins (because the pins have open-drain output structures). If the INT pin is used, connect a pullup resistor to the INT pin. A typical value for these pullup resistors is 10 kΩ. The resistor choice can be optimized in conjunction to the bus capacitance to balance the system speed, power, noise immunity, and other requirements.



**Figure 9-1. Typical Application Schematic**

The power supply and grounding considerations are discussed in the [Section 9.4](#).

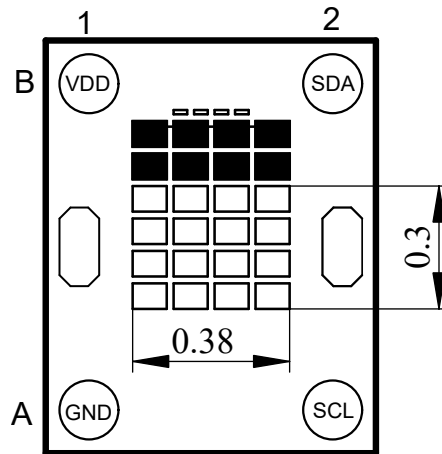
Although spike suppression is integrated in the SDA and SCL pin circuits, use proper layout practices to minimize the amount of coupling into the communication lines. One possible introduction of noise occurs from capacitively coupling signal edges between the two communication lines themselves. Another possible noise introduction comes from other switching noise sources present in the system, especially for long communication

lines. In noisy environments, shield communication lines to reduce the possibility of unintended noise coupling into the digital I/O lines that can be incorrectly interpreted.

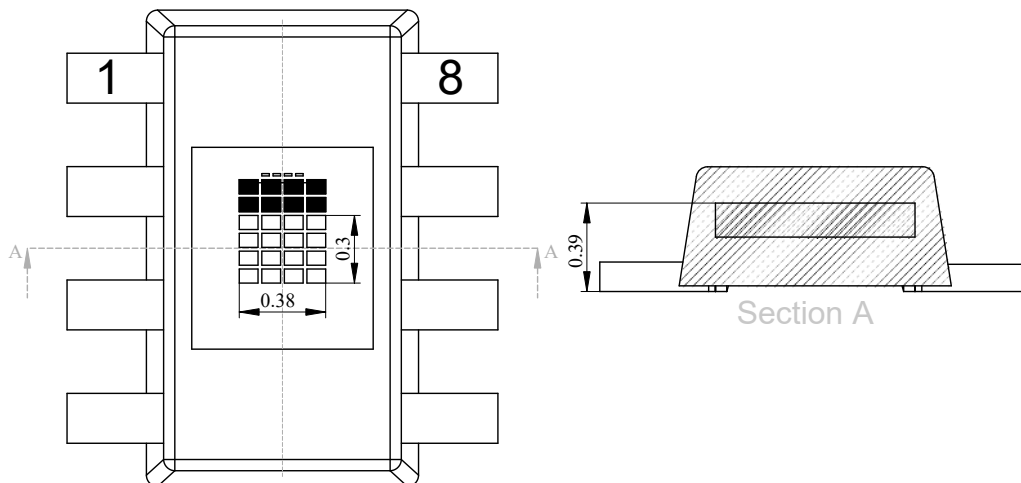
### 9.2.1.1 Design Requirements

#### 9.2.1.1.1 Optical Interface

The optical interface is physically located on the same side of the device pins as the electrical interface for the PicoStar™ variant and facing away from the pins for the SOT-5X3 variant, as shown in [Figure 9-2](#) and [Figure 9-3](#)



**Figure 9-2. Sensor Position on PicoStar™ Variant**



**Figure 9-3. Sensor Position on the SOT-5X3 Variant**

In case of the PicoStar™ variant systems, light that illuminates the sensor must come through the FPCB. Typically, the best method is to create a cutout area in the FPCB. Other methods are possible, but with associated design tradeoffs. This cutout must be carefully designed because the dimensions and tolerances impact the net-system, optical field-of-view performance. The design of this cutout is discussed more in the [Section 9.5.2](#).

Physical components, such as a plastic housing and a window that allows light from outside of the design to illuminate the sensor (see [Figure 9-4](#)), can help protect the device and neighboring circuitry. Sometimes, a dark or opaque window is used to further enhance the visual appeal of the design by hiding the sensor from view. This window material is typically transparent plastic or glass.

Generally for both package variants, any physical component that affects the light that illuminates the sensing area of a light sensor also affects the performance of that light sensor. Therefore, for the best performance,

make sure to understand and control the effect of these components. Design a window width and height to permit light from a sufficient field of view to illuminate the sensor. For best performance, use a field of view of at least  $\pm 35^\circ$ , or preferably  $\pm 45^\circ$  or more. Understanding and designing the field of view is discussed further in application report [OPT3001: Ambient Light Sensor Application Guide](#) (SBEA002).

The visible-spectrum transmission for dark windows typically ranges between 5% to 30%, but can be less than 1%. Specify a visible-spectrum transmission as low as, but no more than, necessary to achieve sufficient visual appeal because decreased transmission decreases the available light for the sensor to measure. The windows are made dark by either applying an ink to a transparent window material, or including a dye or other optical substance within the window material itself. This attenuating transmission in the visible spectrum of the window creates a ratio between the light on the outside of the design and the light that is measured by the device. To accurately measure the light outside of the design, compensate the device measurement for this ratio.

Although the inks and dyes of dark windows serve their primary purpose of being minimally transmissive to visible light, some inks and dyes can also be very transmissive to infrared light. The use of these inks and dyes further decreases the ratio of visible to infrared light, and thus decreases sensor measurement accuracy. However, because of the excellent red and infrared rejection of the device, this effect is minimized, and good results are achieved under a dark window with similar spectral responses.

For best accuracy, avoid grill-like window structures, unless the designer understands the optical effects sufficiently. These grill-like window structures create a nonuniform illumination pattern at the sensor that make light measurement results vary with placement tolerances and angle of incidence of the light. If a grill-like structure is desired, then the device is an excellent sensor choice because the device is minimally sensitive to illumination uniformity issues disrupting the measurement process.

Light pipes can appear attractive for aiding in the optomechanical design that brings light to the sensor; however, do not use light pipes with any light sensor unless the system designer fully understands the ramifications of the optical physics of light pipes within the full context of his design and objectives.

### **9.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure**

#### **9.2.1.2.1 Optomechanical Design (PicoStar™ Variant)**

After completing the electrical design and understanding optical interface, the next task is the optomechanical design of the FPCB cutout. Design this cutout in conjunction with the tolerance capabilities of the FPCB manufacturer. Or, conversely, choose the FPCB manufacturer for the capabilities of creating this cutout. A semi-rectangular shape of the cutout, created with a standard FPCB laser, is presented here. There are many alternate approaches with different cost, tolerance, and performance tradeoffs.

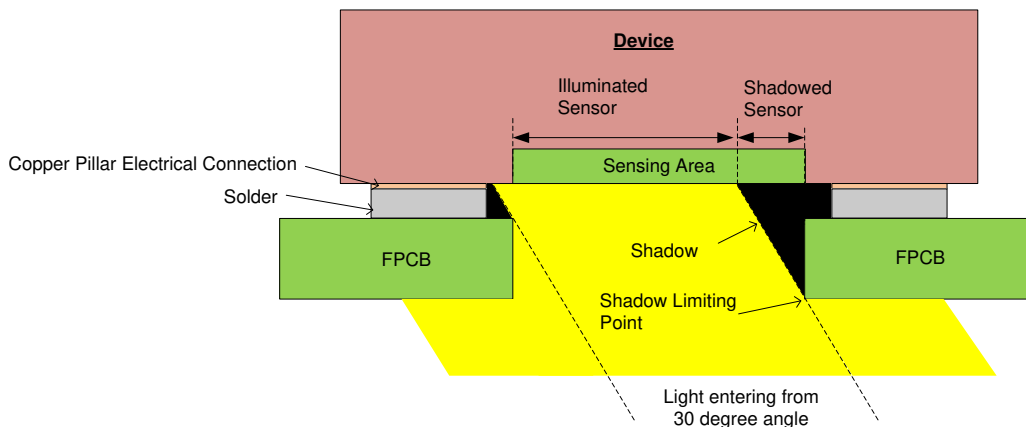
An image of the created FPCB with the plus shaped cutout and a rectangular shaped cutout is shown below. The plus shape is a good choice for light collection in both directions with a wider field of view. In case of the rectangular cutout shape, the long (vertical) direction of the cutout has minimal effect on the angular response because any shadows created from the FPCB do not come near the sensor. The long cutout direction defines the axis of rotation with the less restricted field of view. The narrow (horizontal) direction of the cutout, which is limited by the electrical connections to OPT4001, can create shadows that can have a minor impact on the angular response. The narrow cutout direction defines the axis of rotation of the more restricted view. The possibility of shadows are illustrated in [Figure 9-6](#), a cross-sectional diagram showing the OPT4001 device, with the sensing area, soldered to the FPCB with the cutout. A circular cutout is more restrictive in the field of view casting shadow from all directions of light. TI recommends to take in to account the effect of shadows and impact of this on the field of view of the sensor. The product folder has application notes and tools to help understand these artifacts.



**Figure 9-4. Image of FPCB With OPT4001 Mounted, Receiving Light Through the Cutout with a Plus Shape**



**Figure 9-5. Image of FPCB With OPT4001 Mounted, Receiving Light Through the Cutout with a Rectangular Shape**



**Figure 9-6. Cross-Sectional Diagram of OPT4001 Soldered to an FPCB With a Cutout, Including Light Entering From an Angle**

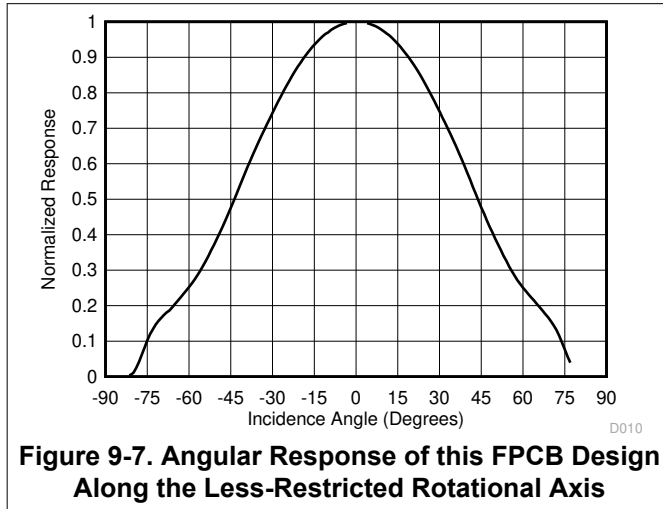
There can be an additional need to put a product casing over the assembly of the device and the FPCB. The window sizing and placement for such an assembly is discussed in more rigorous detail in application report [OPT3001: Ambient Light Sensor Application Guide](#) (SBEA002).

#### 9.2.1.2.2 Optomechanical Design (SOT-5X3 Variant)

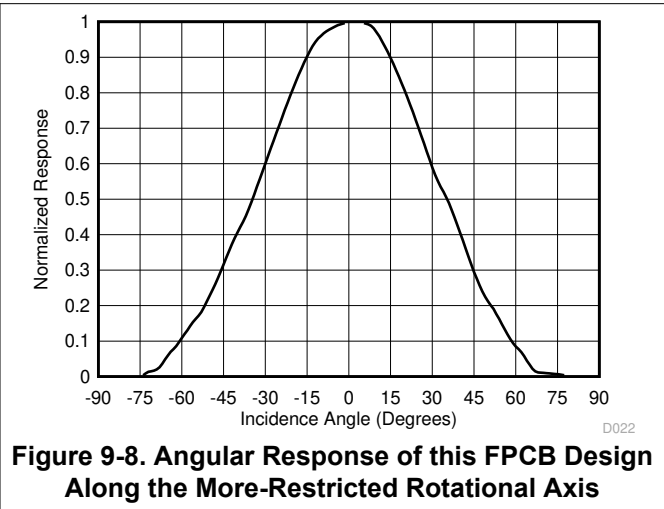
After completing the electrical design, the next task is the optomechanical design. Window sizing and placement is discussed in more rigorous detail in [OPT3001: Ambient Light Sensor Application Guide](#).

### 9.2.1.3 Application Curves (PicoStar™ Variant)

Figure 9-7 and Figure 9-8 show example response curves of the device for a rectangular cut out hole as shown in Figure 9-13. The shape of the cutout affects the overall light collection and the field of view can clearly be seen.



**Figure 9-7. Angular Response of this FPCB Design Along the Less-Restricted Rotational Axis**



**Figure 9-8. Angular Response of this FPCB Design Along the More-Restricted Rotational Axis**

## 9.3 Do's and Don'ts

As with any optical product, take special care when handling the OPT4001. In case of the PicoStar™ variant, the device is a piece of active silicon, without the mechanical protection of an epoxy-like package or other reinforcement. This design allows the device to be as thin as possible. Take extra care to handle the device gently to not crack or break the device. Use a properly-sized vacuum manipulation tool to handle the device.

Generally for both package variants, the optical surface of the device must be kept clean for the best performance, both when prototyping with the device, and during mass production manufacturing procedures. Keep the optical surface clean of fingerprints, dust, and other optical-inhibiting contaminants.

If the optical surface of the device requires cleaning, then use a few gentle brushes with a soft swab of deionized water or isopropyl alcohol. Avoid potentially abrasive cleaning and manipulating tools and excessive force that can scratch the optical surface.

If the OPT4001 performs less than excellent, then inspect the optical surface for dirt, scratches, or other optical artifacts.

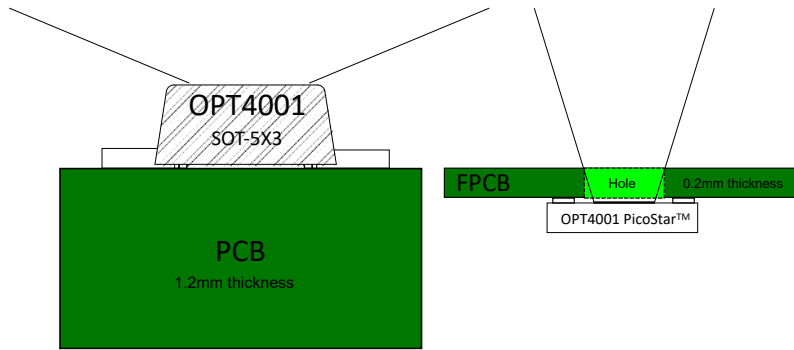
## 9.4 Power Supply Recommendations

Although the OPT4001 has low sensitivity to power-supply issues, good practices are always recommended. For best performance, the device VDD pin must have a stable, low-noise power supply with a 100-nF bypass capacitor close to the device and solid grounding. There are many options for powering the device because of the device low current consumption levels.

## 9.5 Layout

### 9.5.1 Layout Guidelines

Before understanding the layout requirement for OPT4001, understanding the placement on the PCB is critical.

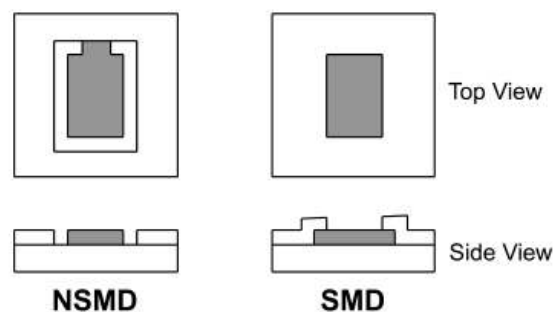


**Figure 9-9. Placement Side View of Packages**

In case of the SOT-5X3 package variant the device, since the lighting sensitive area and the device pins are on opposite sides of each other, a conventional placement on the PCB makes sure of good light collection. In case of the PicoStar™ variant of the device, since the light sensitive area and the device pins are on the same side, special arrangement as shown in the figure is required to achieve good light collection. Typically a thin flexible PCB with a hole or a cutout centered around the optical area is required for wide angle light collection for the PicoStar™ variant. A regular PCB can be used but the amount of light collected and the field of view of light collection are not very good and generally not recommended. Cut out for the light collection can be of any shape with large enough opening to let ample light fall on the light sensitive area. [Figure 9-12](#) and [Figure 9-13](#) show examples of two such shapes which help maximize light collection. A circular cut out as much larger as the manufacturing allows is also acceptable but can restrict the field of view and reduce the light collection. Tools and documentation are available on TI product folder to estimate the field of view based on the hole size.

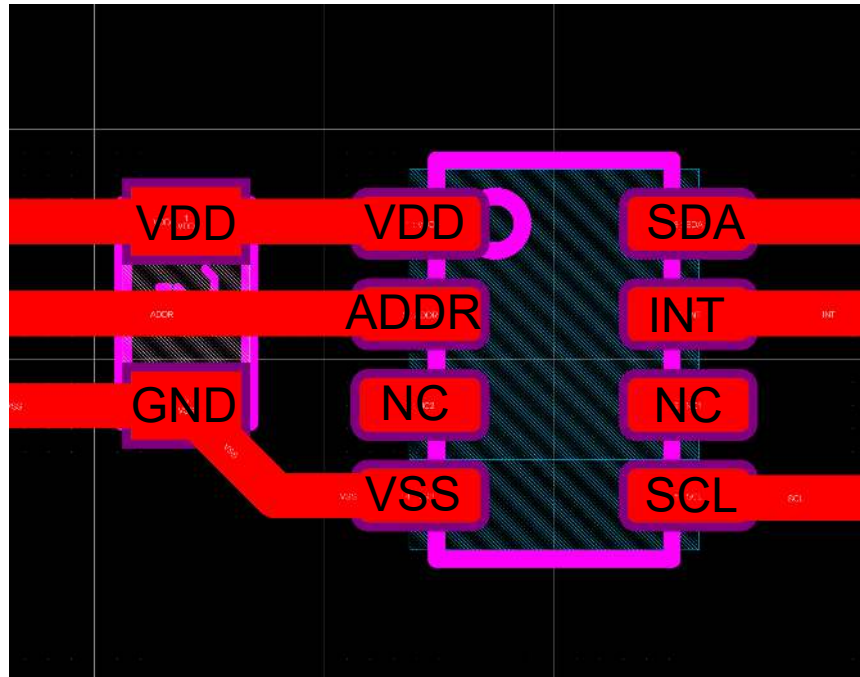
Placing the decoupling capacitor close to the device is highly recommended at the same time, note that optically reflective surfaces of components also affect the performance of the design. The three-dimensional geometry of all components and structures around the sensor must be taken into consideration to prevent unexpected results from secondary optical reflections. Placing capacitors and components at a distance of at least twice the height of the component is usually sufficient. The best optical layout is to place all close components on the opposite side of the PCB from the OPT4001. However, this approach is not be practical for the constraints of every design.

The device layout is also critical for good SMT assembly. Two types of land pattern pads can be used for this package: solder mask defined pads (SMD) and non-solder mask defined pads (NSMD). SMD pads have a solder mask opening that is smaller than the metal pads, whereas NSMD has a solder mask opening that is larger than the metal pad. [Figure 9-10](#) illustrates these types of landing-pattern pads. SMD is preferred because SMD provides a more accurate soldering-pad dimension with the trace connections. For further discussion of SMT and PCB recommendations, see the [Soldering and Handling Recommendations](#).

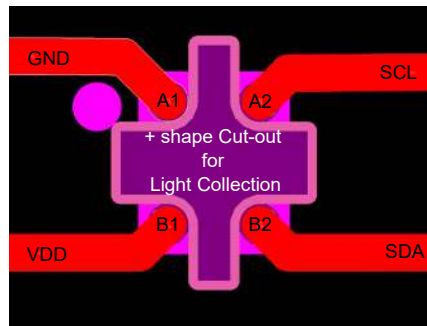


**Figure 9-10. Soldermask Defined Pad (SMD) and Non-Soldermask Defined Pad (NSMD)**

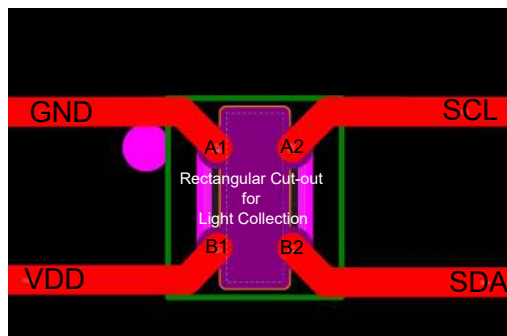
### 9.5.2 Layout Example



**Figure 9-11. Layout Example for SOT-5X3 package**



**Figure 9-12. Layout Example with a plus shaped cut out**



**Figure 9-13. Layout Example with a rectangular shaped cut out**

### 9.5.2.1 Soldering and Handling Recommendations (SOT-5X3 Variant)

The OPT4001 has been qualified for three soldering reflow operations per JEDEC JSTD-020.

Note that excessive heat can discolor the device and affect optical performance.

See application report [SLUA271, QFN/SON PCB Attachment](#), for details on soldering thermal profile and other information. If the OPT4001 must be removed from a PCB, discard the device and do not reattach.

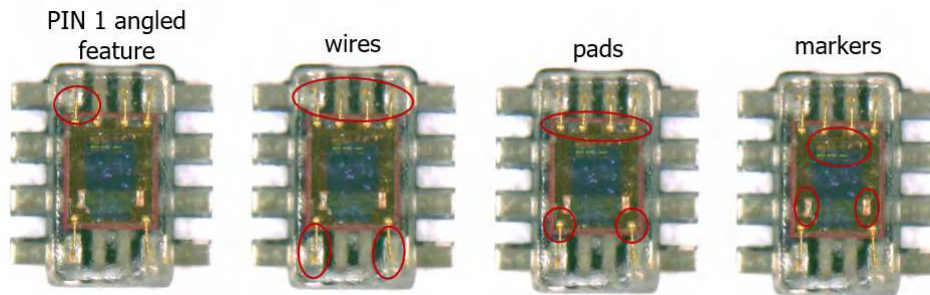
As with most optical devices, handle the device with special care to make sure that optical surfaces stay clean and free from damage. See [Section 9.3](#) for more detailed recommendations. For best optical performance, solder flux and any other possible debris must be cleaned after soldering processes.



#### Note

The bottom side of the device features an angled feature to denote the PIN 1

**Figure 9-14. Identification Feature for PIN 1**



**Figure 9-15. Identification Features for PIN 1 on Package**

### 9.5.2.2 Soldering and Handling Recommendations (PicoStar™ Variant)

The OPT4001 is a small device with special soldering and handling considerations. See [Section 9.2.1.2.1](#) for implications of alignment between the device and the cutout area. See [Section 9.5.1](#) for considerations of the soldering pads.

If the OPT4001 must be removed from a PCB, discard the device and do not reattach.

Note that excessive heat can discolor the device and affect optical performance.

As with most optical devices, handle the OPT4001 with special care to make sure that optical surfaces stay clean and free from damage. See [Section 9.3](#) for more detailed recommendations. For best optical performance, solder flux and any other possible debris must be cleaned after soldering processes.

#### 9.5.2.2.1 Solder Paste

For solder-paste deposition, use a stencil-printing process that involves the transfer of solder paste through predefined apertures with the application of pressure. Stencil parameters, such as aperture area ratio and fabrication process, have a significant impact on paste deposition. Cut the stencil apertures using a laser with an electropolish-fabrication method. Taper the stencil aperture walls by 5° to facilitate paste release. Shifting the



solder-paste towards the outside of the device minimizes the possibility of solder getting into the device sensing area. See the mechanical packages attached to the end of this data sheet.

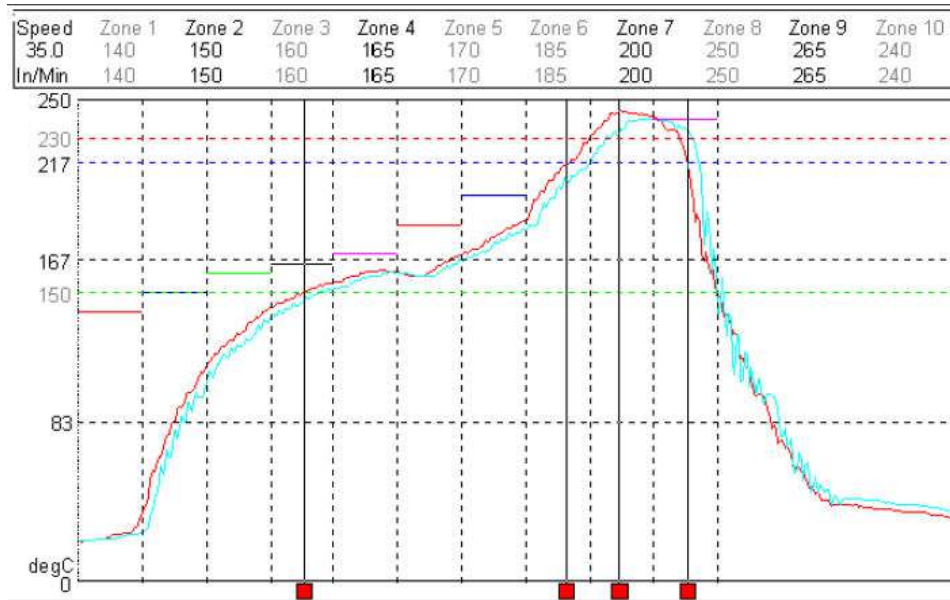
Use solder paste selection type 4 or higher, no-clean, lead-free solder paste. If solder splatters in the reflow process, choose a solder paste with normal- or low-flux contents, or alter the reflow profile per the [Section 9.5.2.2.3](#).

**9.5.2.2.2 Package Placement**

Use a pick-and-place nozzle with a size number larger than 0.6 mm. If the placement method is done by programming the component thickness, then add 0.04 mm to the actual component thickness so that the package sits halfway into the solder paste. If placement is by force, then choose minimum force no larger than 3N to avoid forcing out solder paste, or free falling the package, and to avoid soldering problems such as bridging and solder balling.

**9.5.2.2.3 Reflow Profile**

Use the profile in [Figure 9-16](#), and adjust if necessary. Use a slow solder reflow ramp rate of 1°C to 1.2°C/s to minimize chances of solder splattering onto the sensing area.



**Figure 9-16. Recommended Solder Reflow Temperature Profile**

#### 9.5.2.2.4 Special Flexible Printed-Circuit Board (FPCB) Recommendations

Special flexible printed-circuit board (FPCB) design recommendations include:

- Fabricate per IPC-6013.
- Use material of flexible copper clad per IPC 4204/11 (Define polyimide and copper thickness per product application).
- Finish: All exposed copper are electroless Ni immersion gold (ENIG) per IPC 4556.
- Solder mask per IPC SM840.
- Use a laser to create the cutout for light sensing for better accuracy, and to avoid affecting the soldering pad dimension. Other options, such as punched cutouts, are possible. See the [Section 9.2.1.2.1](#) for further discussion ranging from the implications of the device to cutout region size and alignment. The full design must be considered, including the tolerances.

To assist the handling of the very thin flexible circuit, design and fabricate a fixture to hold the flexible circuit through the paste-printing, pick-and-place, and reflow processes. Contact the factory for examples of such fixtures.

#### 9.5.2.2.5 Rework Process

If the device must be removed from a PCB, discard the device and do not reattach. To remove the package from the PCB/Flexi cable, heat the solder joints above liquidus temperature. Bake the board at 125°C for 4 hours prior to rework to remove moisture that may crack the PCB or causing delamination. Use a thermal heating profile to remove a package that is close to the profile that mounts the package. Clean the site to remove any excess solder and residue to prepare for installing a new package. Use a mini stencil (localized stencil) to apply solder paste to the land pattern. In case a mini stencil cannot be used because of spacing or other reasons, apply solder paste on the package pads directly, then mount, and reflow.

## 10 Device and Documentation Support

### 10.1 Documentation Support

#### 10.1.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

- [OPT3001: Ambient Light Sensor Application Guide](#) (SBEA002)
- [OPT4001EVM User's Guide](#) (SBOU278)
- [QFN/SON PCB Attachment Application Report](#) (SLUA271)

### 10.2 Receiving Notification of Documentation Updates

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### 10.5 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



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ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

### 10.6 Glossary

[TI Glossary](#) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 11 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
OPT4001DTSR	ACTIVE	SOT-5X3	DTS	8	3000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	4001	<a href="#">Samples</a>
OPT4001DTST	ACTIVE	SOT-5X3	DTS	8	250	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	4001	<a href="#">Samples</a>
OPT4001YMNR	ACTIVE	PICOSTAR	YMN	4	3000	RoHS & Green	Call TI	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	01	<a href="#">Samples</a>
OPT4001YMNT	ACTIVE	PICOSTAR	YMN	4	250	RoHS & Green	Call TI	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	01	<a href="#">Samples</a>

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:

**ACTIVE:** Product device recommended for new designs.

**LIFEBUY:** TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

**NRND:** Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

**PREVIEW:** Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

**OBSELETE:** TI has discontinued the production of the device.

(2) **RoHS:** TI defines "RoHS" to mean semiconductor products that are compliant with the current EU RoHS requirements for all 10 RoHS substances, including the requirement that RoHS substance do not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous materials. Where designed to be soldered at high temperatures, "RoHS" products are suitable for use in specified lead-free processes. TI may reference these types of products as "Pb-Free".

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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

(4) There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

(5) Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "-" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

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**QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE**

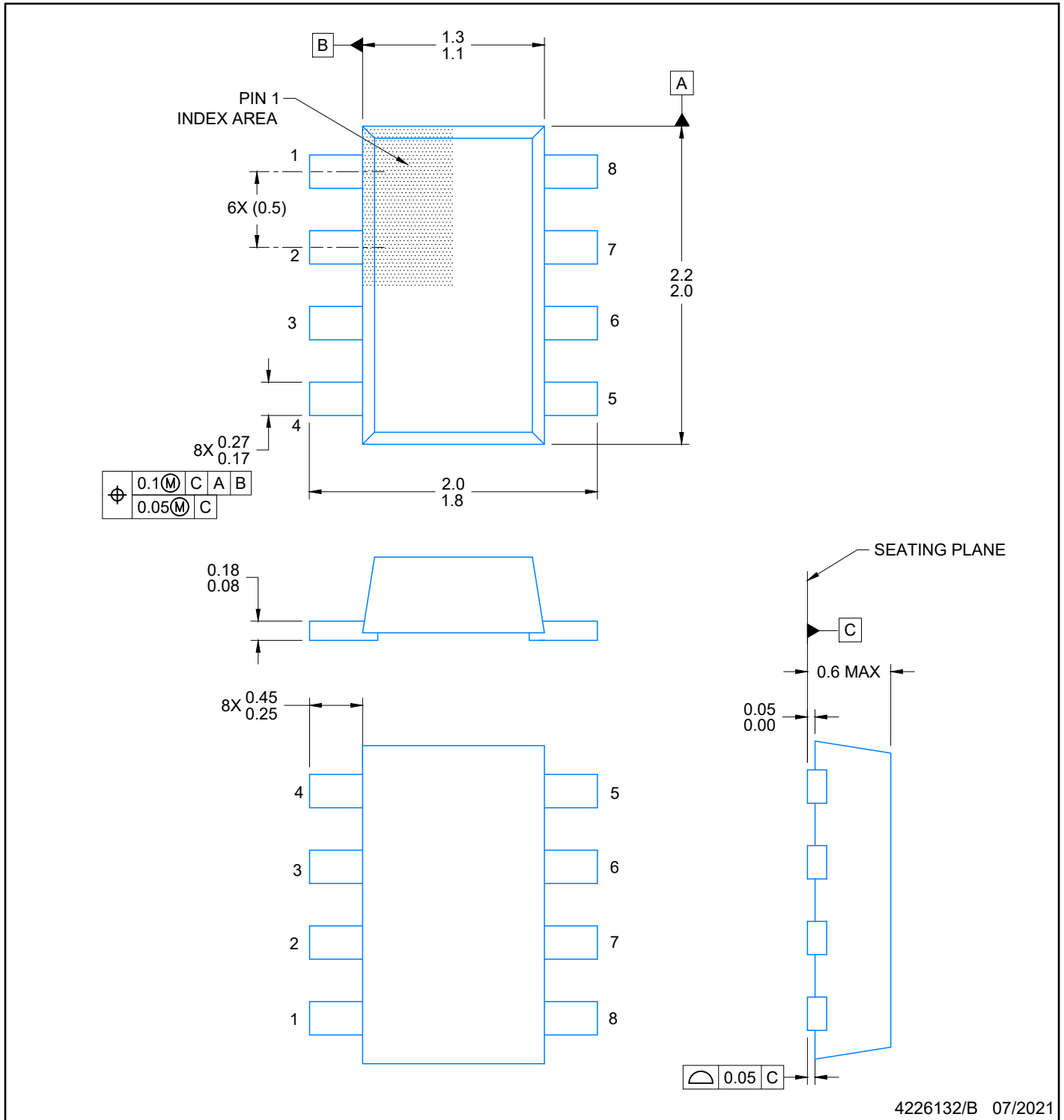

\*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
OPT4001YMNR	PICOST AR	YMN	4	3000	180.0	8.4	0.94	1.15	0.37	2.0	8.0	Q1
OPT4001YMNT	PICOST AR	YMN	4	250	180.0	8.4	0.94	1.15	0.37	2.0	8.0	Q1

**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


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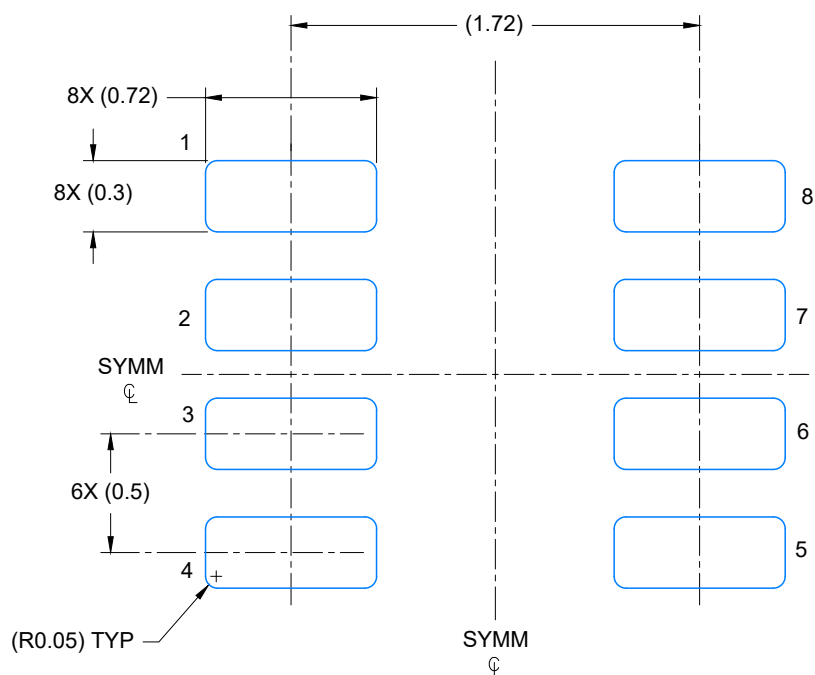
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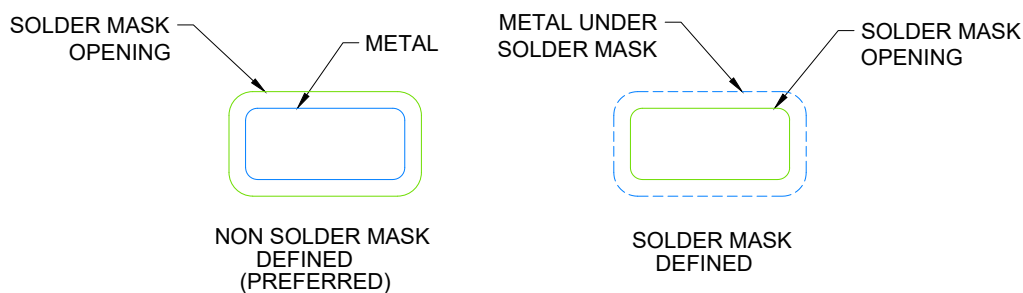
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**LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE**  
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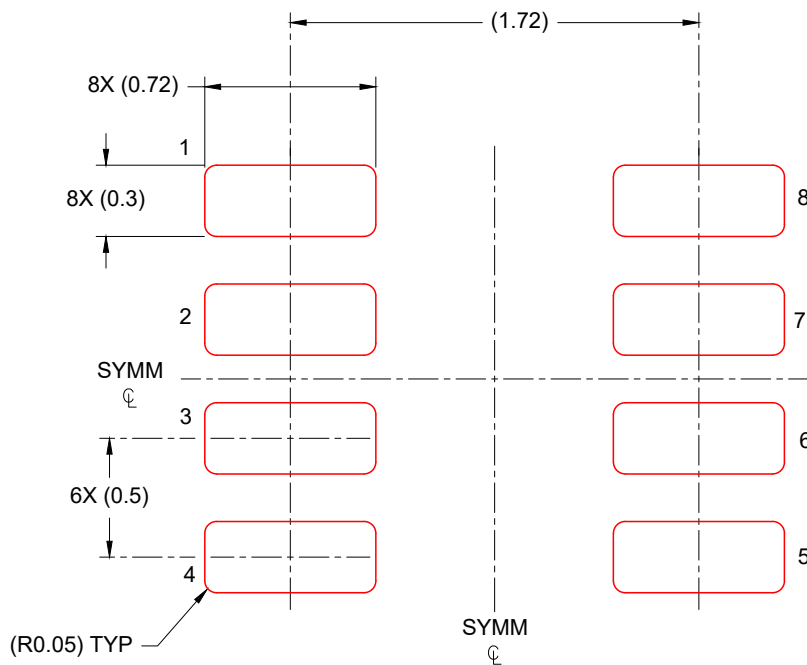


**SOLDER MASK DETAILS**

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4. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.
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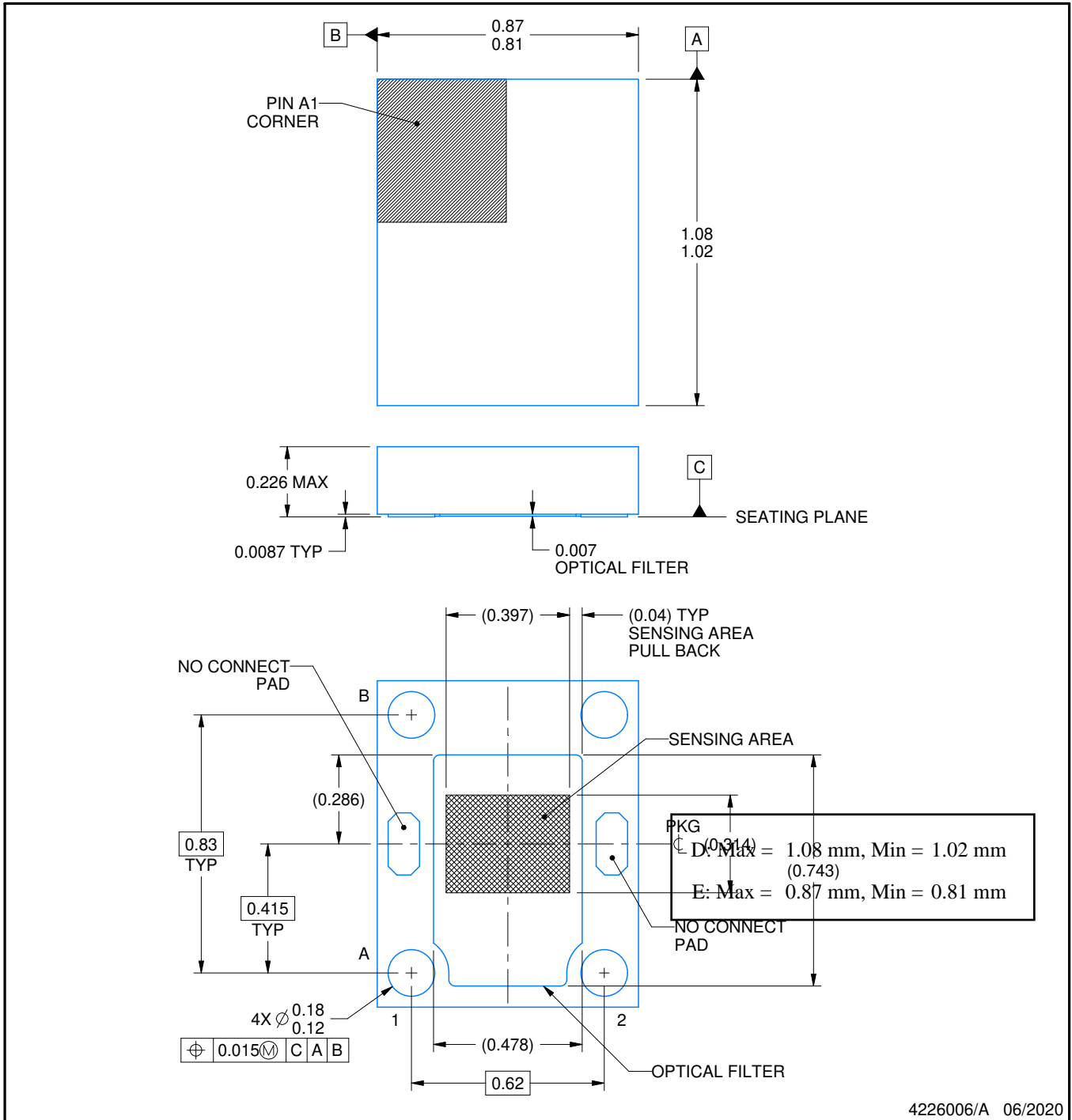
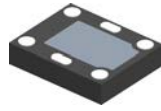


SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
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- 6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.
- 7. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.



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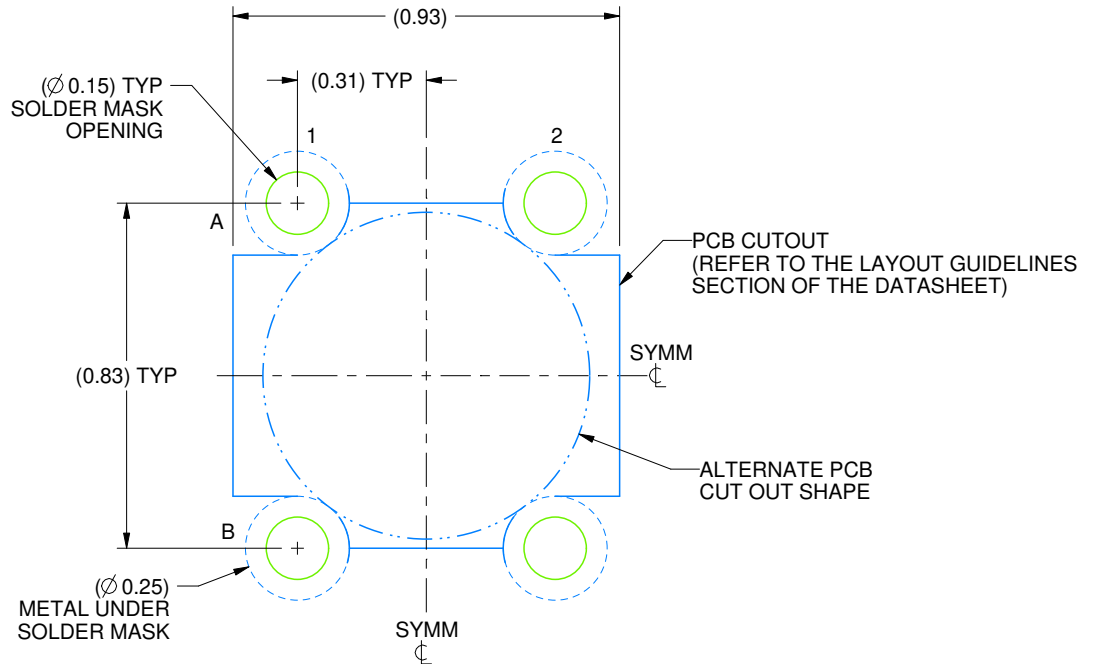
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# EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

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PicoStar™ - 0.226 mm max height

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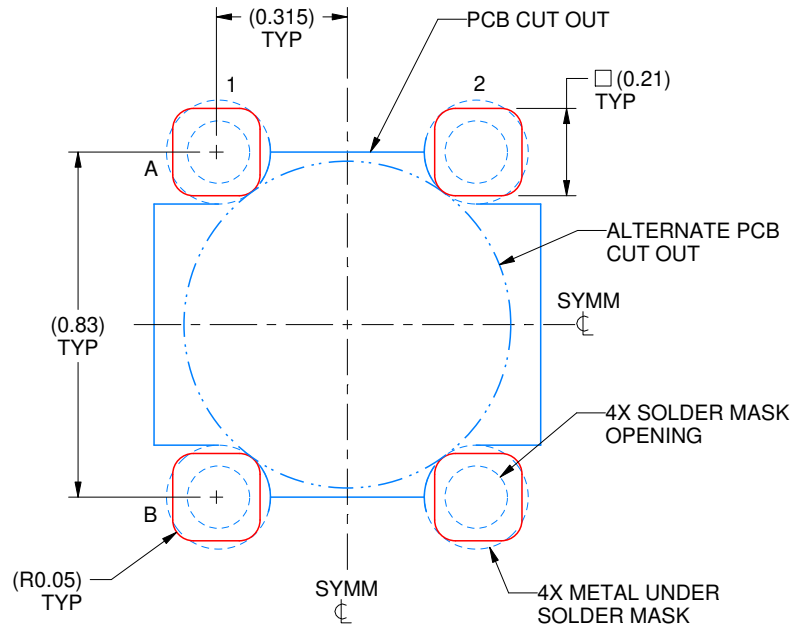
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# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

YMN0004A

PicoStar™ - 0.226 mm max height

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