



# Gravity: VL53L0X ToF Laser Range Finder

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The VL53L0X range finder is a high-precision distance finder that based on new Time-of-Flight (ToF) principle. VL53L0X provides accurate distance measurement whatever the target reflectance unlike traditional technology. It can measure absolute distances up to 2m.

DFRobot has introduced VL53L0X into Gravity Series. It provides Gravity-I2C interface, plug and play, supports 3.3V~5V power supply, and is compatible with more microcontrollers, and adapt to more application scenarios than others.

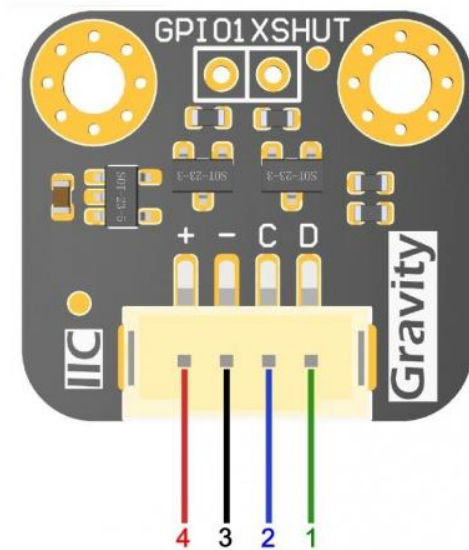
The VL53L0X integrates a leading-edge SPAD array (Single Photon Avalanche Diodes) and embeds ST's second generation FlightSense™ patented technology. Its accuracy is  $\pm 3\%$ , response time is less than 30ms, power consumption is only 20mW in normal operation mode, stand-by power consumption is 5uA.

The VL53L0X's 940nm VCSEL emitter (vertical cavity surface emitting laser) is totally invisible to the human eye, coupled with internal physical infrared filters, it enables longer ranging distance, higher immunity to ambient light and better robustness to cover-glass optical cross-talk.

# Specification

- Power supply: 3.3-5V DC
- Operating Voltage: 2.8V
- Infrared emitter: 940nm
- Range: 30-2000mm
- FOV: 25°
- Ranging Accuracy:  $\pm 3\%$
- Sampling Time:  $\leq 30\text{ms}$
- Operating Temperature:  $-20\text{--}70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Interface Type: Gravity-I2C
- Product Size: 0.79\*0.87 in

# Pin Description



## Pin Description

Label	Name	Description
1 green line	D	DATA
2 blue line	C	CLK
3 black line	-	GND
4 red line	+	VCC

GPIO1: interrupt output pin to indicate if the data is ready

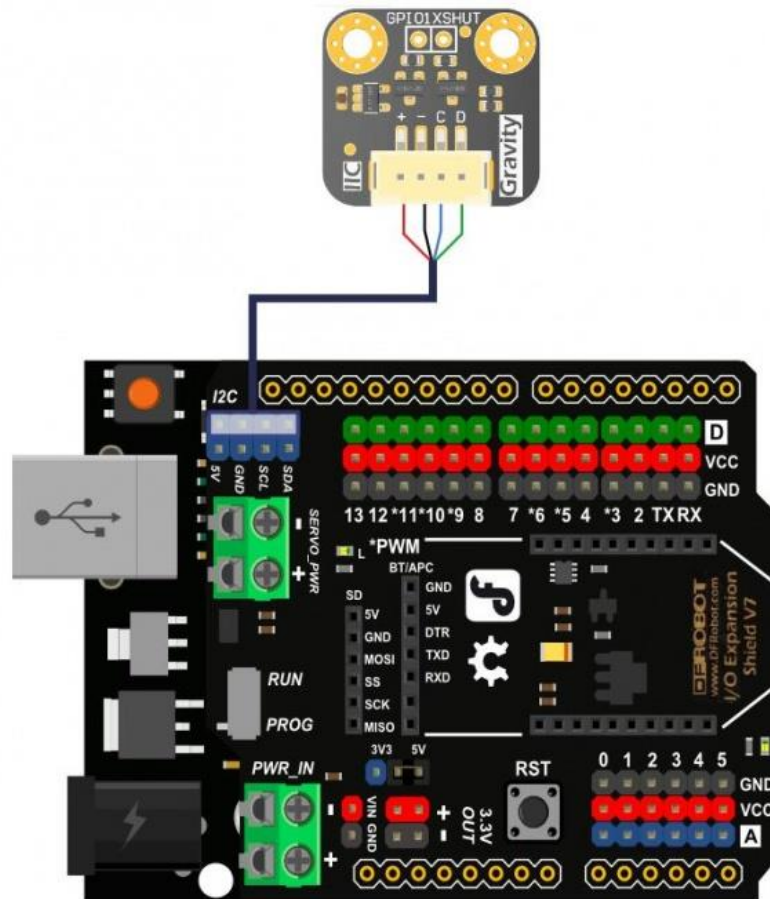
XSHUT: Close the pin of the sensor, pulled high by default, sensor enters off mode when pin is pulled low

# Tutorial

## Requirements

- **Hardware**
  - Arduino UNO control board x1.
  - VL53L0X Distance detection Sensor module
- **Software**
  - Arduino IDE, [Click to Download Arduino IDE from Arduino®](#)

## Connection Diagram



Connection diagram

## Sample Code

```
/*!
 * @file DFRobot_VL53L0X.ino
 * @brief DFRobot's Laser rangefinder library
 * @n The example shows the usage of VL53L0X in a simple way.
 *
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 *
 * @author [LiXin]
 * @version V1.0
 * @date 2017-8-21
 * @https://github.com/DFRobot/DFRobot_VL53L0X
 timer*/
#include "Arduino.h"
#include "Wire.h"
#include "DFRobot_VL53L0X.h"

/*****Keywords instruction*****/
//Continuous--->Continuous measurement model
//Single----->Single measurement mode
//High----->Accuracy of 0.25 mm
//Low----->Accuracy of 1 mm
/*****Function instruction*****/
//setMode(ModeState mode, PrecisionState precision)
  /*This function is used to set the VL53L0X mode
  /*mode: Set measurement mode      Continuous or Single
  /*precision: Set the precision    High or Low
//void start()
  /*This function is used to enabled VL53L0X
//float getDistance()
  /*This function is used to get the distance
//uint16_t getAmbientCount()
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    /*This function is used to get the ambient count
//uint16_t getSignalCount()

    /*This function is used to get the signal count
//uint8_t getStatus();

    /*This function is used to get the status
//void stop()

    /*This function is used to stop measuring

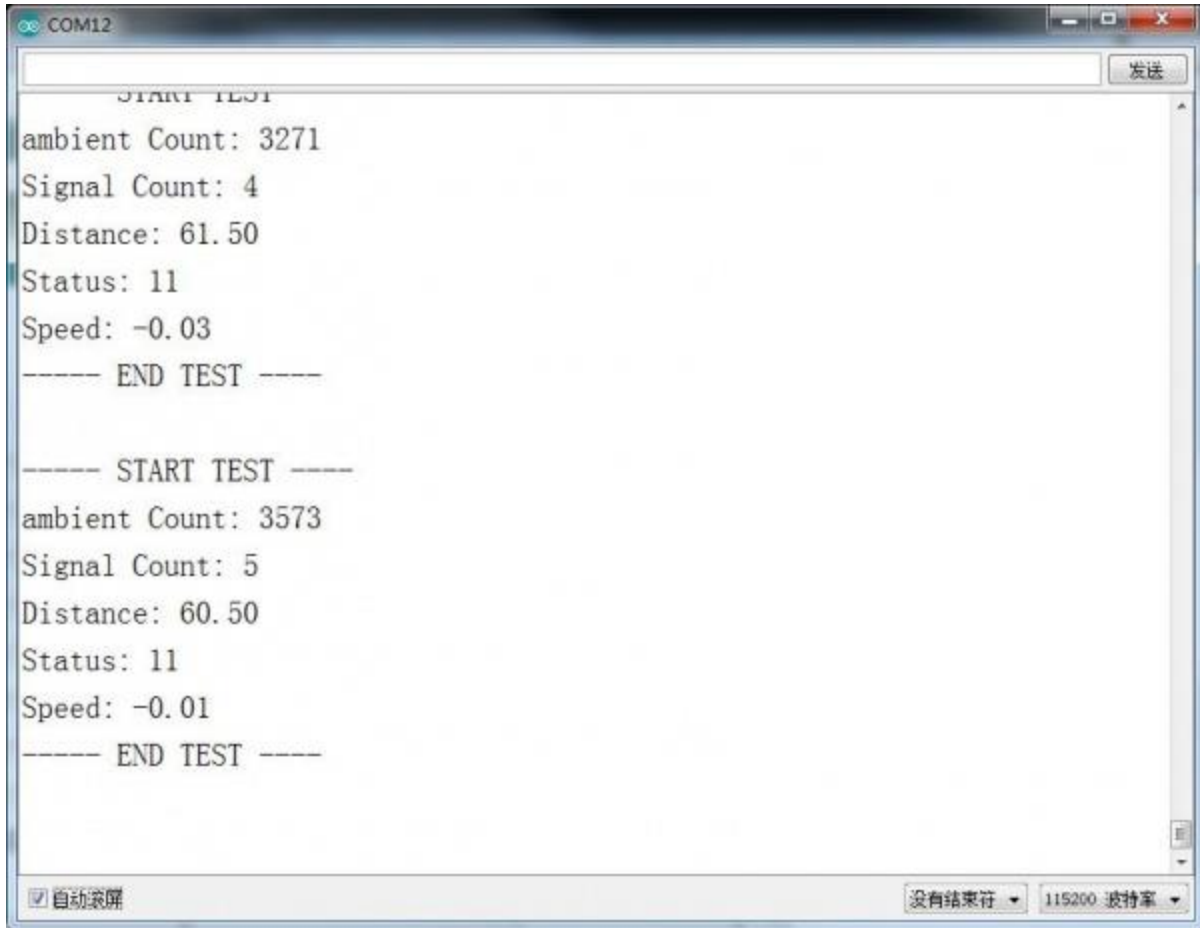
DFRobotVL53L0X sensor;

void setup() {
    //initialize serial communication at 115200 bits per second:
    Serial.begin(115200);
    //join i2c bus (address optional for master)
    Wire.begin();
    //Set I2C sub-device address
    sensor.begin(0x50);
    //Set to Back-to-back mode and high precision mode
    sensor.setMode(Continuous,High);
    //Laser rangefinder begins to work
    sensor.start();
}

void loop()
{
    //Get the distance
    Serial.print("Distance: ");Serial.println(sensor.getDistance());
    //The delay is added to demonstrate the effect, and if you do not add the d
    elay,
    //it will not affect the measurement accuracy
    delay(500);
}

```

## Expected Results



Result

## Measured Results

actual distance	measuring distance (erro)	actual distance	measuring distance (erro)	actual distance	measuring distance (erro)	actual distance	measuring distance (erro)
500	490(-10)	300	304.75(+4.75)	138	138.5(+0.5)	100	102(+2)
	491.5(-8.5)		298.75(-1.25)		131.5(-6.5)		109(+9)
	498(-2)		299.5(-0.5)		132.25(-5.75)		105.5(+5.5)
	496.5(-3.5)		302(+2)		131.25(-6.75)		104.75(+4.75)
	499.75(-0.25)		297.5(-2.5)		136(-2)		99.5(-0.5)
	503.75(+3.75)		299.5(-0.5)		138.5(+0.5)		102.5(+2.5)

# API List

```
#include <DFRobot_EINK.h>

DFRobotVL53L0X sensor //Create an object

/*
 * @Function: set range mode.
 * @Parameter 1 mode: ranging mode
 *     Single: Single range
 *     Continuous: Continuous range
 * @parameter 2 precision: Measuring precision
 *     High:high precision(0.25mm)
 *     Low:standard accuracy(1mm)
 */
void setMode(uint8_t mode, uint8_t precision);

/*
 * @function: start measuring
 */
void start();

/*
 * @function: stop measuring
 */
void stop();

/*
 * @function: acquire distance
 */
uint16_t getDistance();
```

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/*
 * @function: acquire environmental variables
 */
uint16_t getAmbientCount();

/*
 * @function: acquire semaphore
 */
uint16_t getSignalCount();

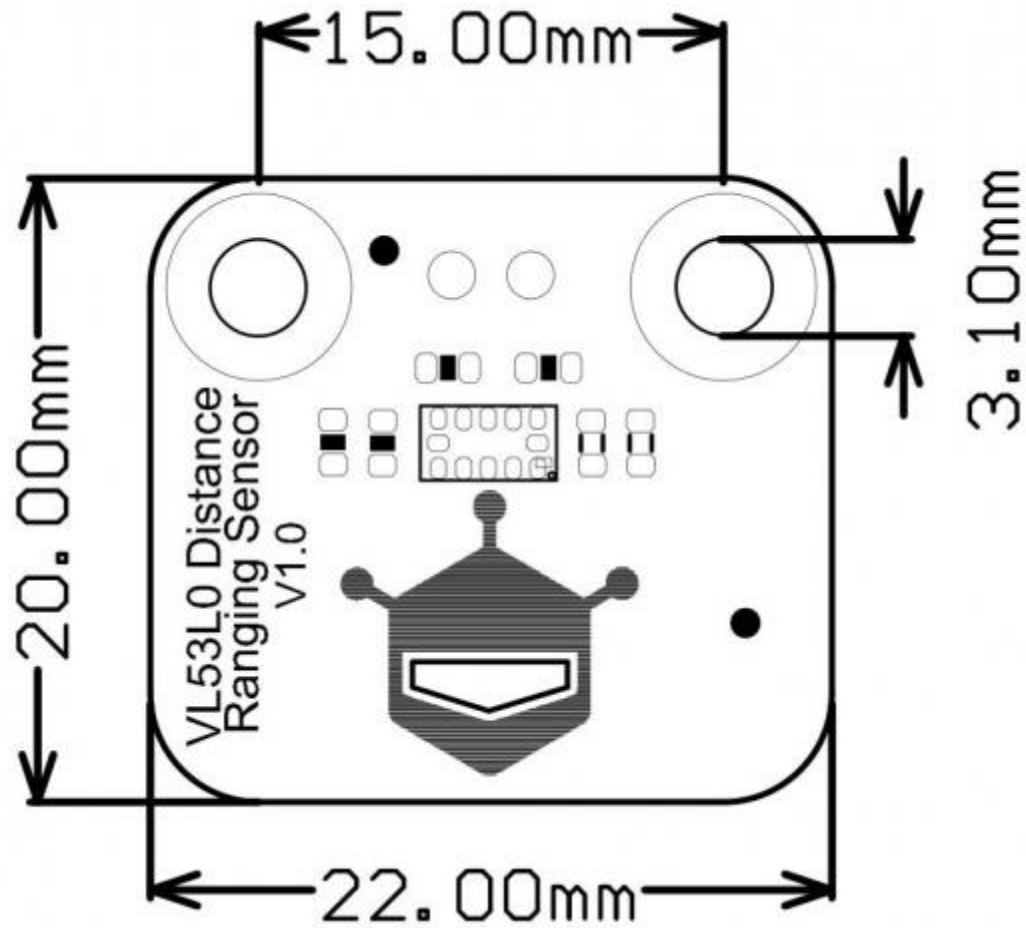
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## Compatibility Test

MCU	Pass the test	Failed the test	No test	Note
FireBeetle-Board328P	√			
FireBeetle-ESP32	√			
FireBeetle-ESP8266	√			
Leonardo	√			



## Dimension



## More Documents

- [schematic diagram](#)
- [VL53L0X Datasheet](#)