

Dual-Axis ± 1.7 g Accelerometer with SPI Interface

Data Sheet ADIS16003

FEATURES

Dual-axis accelerometer
SPI digital output interface
Internal temperature sensor
Highly integrated; minimal external components
Bandwidth externally selectable
1 mg resolution at 60 Hz
Externally controlled electrostatic self-test
3.0 V to 5.25 V single-supply operation
Low power: <2 mA
3500 g shock survival
7.2 mm × 7.2 mm × 3.7 mm package

APPLICATIONS

Industrial vibration/motion sensing
Platform stabilization
Dual-axis tilt sensing
Tracking, recording, and analysis devices
Alarms and security devices

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ADIS16003 is a low cost, low power, complete dual-axis accelerometer with an integrated serial peripheral interface (SPI). An integrated temperature sensor is also available on the SPI interface. The ADIS16003 measures acceleration with a full-scale range of $\pm 1.7~g$ (minimum), and it can measure both dynamic acceleration (vibration) and static acceleration (gravity).

The typical noise floor is 110 $\mu g/\sqrt{Hz}$, allowing signals below 1 mg (60 Hz bandwidth) to be resolved.

The bandwidth of the accelerometer is set with optional capacitors C_X and C_Y at the XFILT and YFILT pins. Selection of the two analog input channels is controlled via the serial interface.

An externally driven self-test pin (ST) allows the user to verify the accelerometer functionality.

The ADIS16003 is available in a 7.2 mm \times 7.2 mm \times 3.7 mm, 12-terminal LGA package.

FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

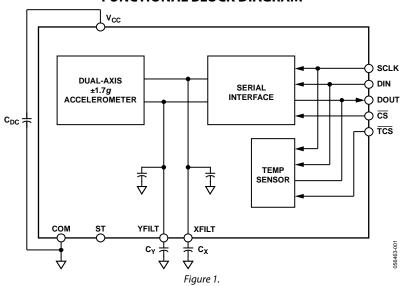


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SPECIFICATIONS

 $T_{A}=-40^{\circ}C \text{ to } +125^{\circ}C, \ V_{CC}=5 \text{ V}, \ C_{X}, \ C_{Y}=0 \ \mu\text{F}, \ acceleration=0 \ g, \ unless \ otherwise \ noted.}$ All minimum and maximum specifications are guaranteed. Typical specifications are not guaranteed.

Table 1.

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
ACCELEROMETER SENSOR INPUT	Each axis				
Measurement Range ¹		±1.7			g
Nonlinearity	% of full scale		±0.5	±2.5	%
Package Alignment Error			±1.5		Degrees
Alignment Error	X sensor to Y sensor		±0.1		Degrees
Cross-Axis Sensitivity			±2	±5	%
ACCELEROMETER SENSITIVITY	Each axis				
Sensitivity at XFILT, YFILT		769	820	885	LSB/g
Sensitivity Change due to Temperature ²	Delta from 25°C		±8		LSB
ZERO g BIAS LEVEL	Each axis				
0 g Voltage at XFILT, YFILT		1905	2048	2190	LSB
0 g Offset vs. Temperature			±0.14		LSB/°C
ACCELEROMETER NOISE PERFORMANCE					
Noise Density	At 25°C		110		μ <i>g</i> /√Hz rms
ACCELEROMETER FREQUENCY RESPONSE ³					
Cx, C _Y Range ⁴		0		10	μF
R _{FILT} Tolerance		24	32	40	kΩ
Sensor Resonant Frequency			5.5		kHz
ACCELEROMETER SELF-TEST					
Logic Input Low				$0.2 \times V_{CC}$	V
Logic Input High		$0.8 \times V_{CC}$			V
ST Input Resistance to COM		30	50		kΩ
Output Change at X _{OUT} , Y _{OUT} ⁵	Self-Test 0 to Self-Test 1	323	614	904	LSB
TEMPERATURE SENSOR					
Accuracy	$V_{CC} = 3 \text{ V to } 5.25 \text{ V}$		±2		°C
Resolution			10		Bits
Update Rate			400		μs
Temperature Conversion Time			25		μs
DIGITAL INPUT					
Input High Voltage (V _{INH})	$V_{CC} = 4.75 \text{ V to } 5.25 \text{ V}$	2.4			V
	$V_{CC} = 3.0 \text{ V to } 3.6 \text{ V}$	2.1			V
Input Low Voltage (V _{INL})	$V_{CC} = 3.0 \text{ V to } 5.25 \text{ V}$			0.8	V
Input Current	$V_{IN} = 0 V \text{ or } V_{CC}$	-10	+1	+10	μΑ
Input Capacitance			10		pF
DIGITAL OUTPUT					
Output High Voltage (V _{OH})	$I_{SOURCE} = 200 \mu\text{A}, V_{CC} = 3.0 \text{V} \text{to} 5.25 \text{V}$	V _{CC} – 0.5			V
Output Low Voltage (V _{OL})	I _{SINK} = 200 μA			0.4	V
POWER SUPPLY	·	1			
Operating Voltage Range		3.0		5.25	V
Quiescent Supply Current	f _{SCLK} = 50 kSPS		1.5	2.0	mA
Power-Down Current			1.0		mA
Turn-On Time ⁶	$C_{x}, C_{Y} = 0.1 \mu F$		20		ms

¹ Guaranteed by measurement of initial offset and sensitivity.

² Defined as the output change from ambient-to-maximum temperature or ambient-to-minimum temperature.

³ Actual bandwidth response controlled by user-supplied external capacitor (C_X , C_Y). ⁴ Bandwidth = $1/(2\pi \times 32 \text{ k}\Omega \times (2200 \text{ pF} + \text{C}))$. For C_X , $C_Y = 0 \text{ µF}$, bandwidth = 2260 Hz. For C_X , $C_Y = 10 \text{ µF}$, bandwidth = 0.5 Hz. Minimum/maximum values not tested.

 $^{^{\}scriptscriptstyle 5}$ Self-test response changes as the square of $V_{\text{CC}}.$

⁶ Larger values of C_X , C_Y increase turn-on time. Turn-on time is approximately $160 \times (0.0022 \, \mu F + C_X + C_Y) + 4 \, ms$, where C_X , C_Y are in μF .

TIMING SPECIFICATIONS

 $T_A = -40$ °C to +125°C, acceleration = 0 g, unless otherwise noted.

Table 2.

Parameter ^{1, 2}	V _{cc} = 3.3 V	V _{cc} = 5 V	Unit	Description
f _{SCLK} ³	10	10	kHz min	
	2	2	MHz max	
tconvert	$14.5 \times t_{SCLK}$	$14.5 \times t_{SCLK}$		
t_{ACQ}	$1.5 \times t_{SCLK}$	$1.5 \times t_{SCLK}$		Throughput time = $t_{CONVERT} + t_{ACQ} = 16 t_{SCLK}$
t_1	10	10	ns min	TCS/CS to SCLK setup time
t_2^4	60	30	ns max	Delay from TCS/CS until DOUT three-state disabled
t ₃ ⁴	100	75	ns max	Data access time after SCLK falling edge
t ₄	20	20	ns min	Data setup time prior to SCLK rising edge
t ₅	20	20	ns min	Data hold time after SCLK rising edge
t ₆	$0.4 \times t_{SCLK}$	$0.4 \times t_{SCLK}$	ns min	SCLK high pulse width
t ₇	$0.4 \times t_{SCLK}$	$0.4 \times t_{SCLK}$	ns min	SCLK low pulse width
t ₈ ⁵	80	80	ns max	TCS/CS rising edge to DOUT high impedance
t ₉ 6	5	5	μs typ	Power-up time from shutdown

 $^{^{1}}$ Guaranteed by design. All input signals are specified with tr and tf = 5 ns (10% to 90% of V_{CC}) and timed from a voltage level of 1.6 V. The 3.3 V operating range spans from 3.0 V to 3.6 V. The 5 V operating range spans from 4.75 V to 5.25 V.

² See Figure 3 and Figure 4.

³ Mark/space ratio for the SCLK input is 40/60 to 60/40.

⁴ Measured with the load circuit in Figure 2 and defined as the time required for the output to cross 0.4 V or 2.0 V with V_{CC} = 3.3 V and time for an output to cross 0.8 V or 2.4 V with V_{CC} = 5.0 V.

⁵ t₈ is derived from the measured time taken by the data outputs to change 0.5 V when loaded with the circuit in Figure 2. The measured number is then extrapolated back to remove the effects of charging or discharging the 50 pF capacitor. This means that the time, t₈, quoted in the timing characteristics is the true bus relinquish time of the part and is independent of the bus loading.

⁶ Shut-down recovery time denotes the time it takes to start producing samples and does not account for the recovery time of the sensor, which is dependent on the overall bandwidth.

CIRCUIT AND TIMING DIAGRAMS

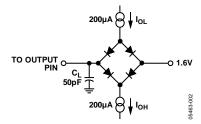


Figure 2. Load Circuit for Digital Output Timing Specifications

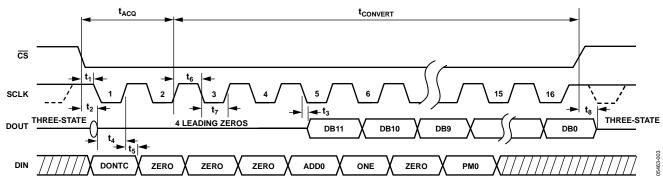


Figure 3. Accelerometer Serial Interface Timing Diagram

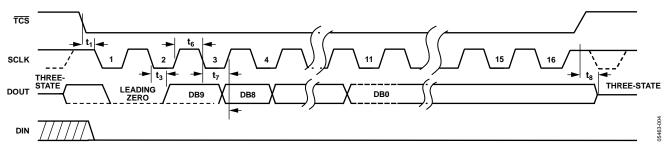


Figure 4. Temperature Serial Interface Timing Diagram

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Table 3.

Parameter	Rating
Acceleration (Any Axis, Unpowered)	3500 <i>g</i>
Acceleration (Any Axis, Powered)	3500 <i>g</i>
Vcc	−0.3 V to +7.0 V
All Other Pins	$(COM - 0.3 V)$ to $(V_{CC} + 0.3 V)$
Output Short-Circuit Duration	
(Any Pin to Common)	Indefinite
Operating Temperature Range	−40°C to +125°C
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C

Stresses above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Table 4. Package Characteristics

Package Type	θ_{JA}	θις	Device Weight
12-Terminal LGA	200°C/W	25°C/W	0.3 grams

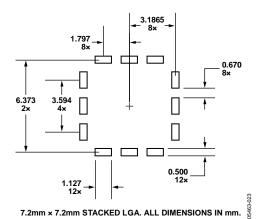


Figure 5. Second-Level Assembly Pad Layout

ESD CAUTION



ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device.Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS

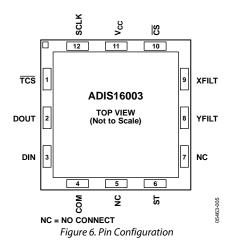


Table 5. Pin Function Descriptions

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Description			
1	TCS	Temperature Chip Select. Active low logic input. This input frames the serial data transfer for the temperature sensor output.			
2	DOUT	Data Out, Logic Output. The conversion of the ADIS16003 is provided on this output as a serial data stream. The bits are clocked out on the falling edge of the SCLK input.			
3	DIN	Data In, Logic Input. Data to be written into the control register of the ADIS16003 is provided on this input ar is clocked into the register on the rising edge of SCLK.			
4	СОМ	Common. Reference point for all circuitry on the ADIS16003.			
5, 7	NC	No Connect.			
6	ST	Self-Test Input. Active high logic input. Simulates a nominal 0.75 <i>g</i> test input for diagnostic purposes.			
8	YFILT	Y-Channel Filter Node. Used in conjunction with an optional external capacitor to band limit the ac signal from the accelerometer.			
9	XFILT	X-Channel Filter Node. Used in conjunction with an optional external capacitor to band limit the ac signal from the accelerometer.			
10	<u>cs</u>	Chip Select. Active low logic input. This input provides the dual function of initiating the accelerometer conversions on the ADIS16003 and frames the serial data transfer for the accelerometer output.			
11	Vcc	Power Supply Input. The V _{CC} range for the ADIS16003 is from 3.0 V to 5.25 V.			
12	SCLK	Serial Clock, Logic Input. SCLK provides the serial clock for accessing data from the part and writing serial data to the control register. This clock input is also used as the clock source for the conversion process of the ADIS16003.			

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

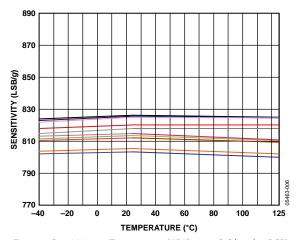


Figure 7. Sensitivity vs. Temperature (ADIS16003 Soldered to PCB)

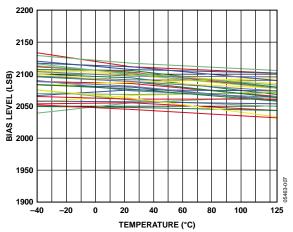


Figure 8. Zero g Bias vs. Temperature

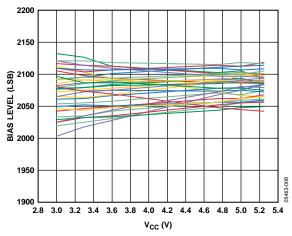


Figure 9. Zero g Bias vs. Supply

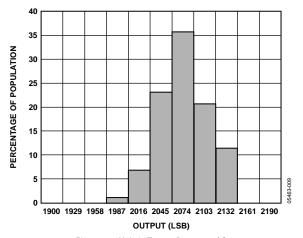


Figure 10. X-Axis Zero g Bias at 25℃

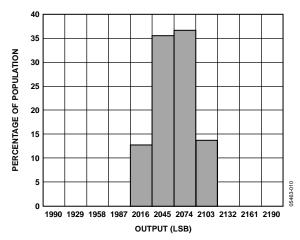


Figure 11. Y-Axis Zero g Bias at 25℃

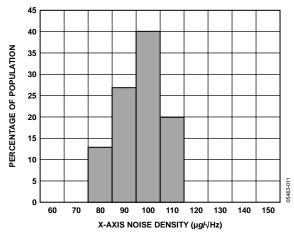


Figure 12. X-Axis Noise Density at 25°C

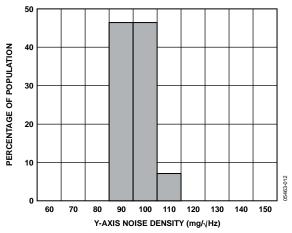


Figure 13. Y-Axis Noise Density at 25°C

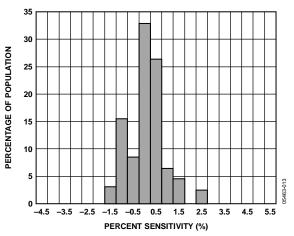


Figure 14. Z vs. X Cross-Axis Sensitivity

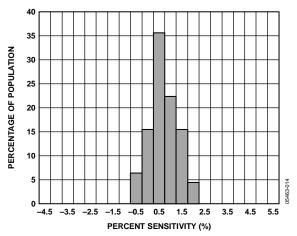


Figure 15. Z vs. Y Cross-Axis Sensitivity

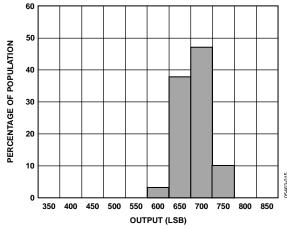


Figure 16. Self-Test at 25°C, V_{CC} at 5.0 V

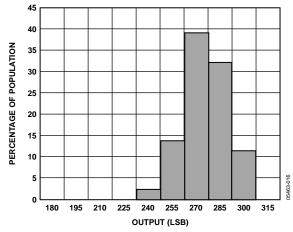


Figure 17. Self-Test at 25°C, Vcc at 3.3 V

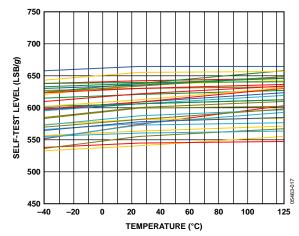


Figure 18. Self-Test vs. Temperature, V_{CC} at 5.0 V

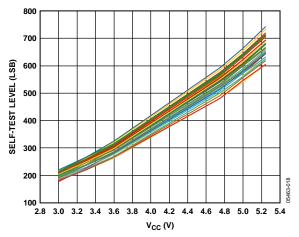


Figure 19. Self-Test vs. Supply Voltage

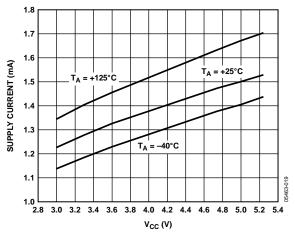


Figure 20. Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage

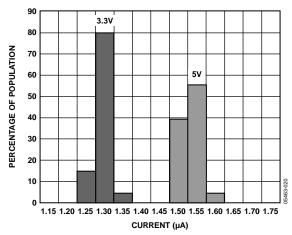


Figure 21. Supply Current at 25°C

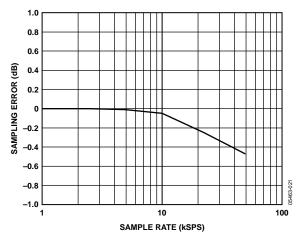


Figure 22. Sampling Error vs. Sample Rate

THEORY OF OPERATION

The ADIS16003 is a low cost, low power, complete dual-axis accelerometer with an integrated serial peripheral interface (SPI) and an integrated temperature sensor whose output is also available on the SPI interface. The ADIS16003 is capable of measuring acceleration with a full-scale range of $\pm 1.7~g$ (minimum). It can also measure both dynamic acceleration (vibration) and static acceleration (gravity).

ACCELEROMETER DATA FORMAT

The accelerometer data comes out in a 12-bit, offset-binary format. See Table 6 for examples of this data format.

Table 6. Acceleration Data Format Examples

Acceleration (g)	Decimal	Hex	Binary
+1.7	3442	0xD72	1101 0111 0010
+2/+820	2050	0x802	1000 0000 0010
+1/+820	2049	0x801	1000 0000 0001
0	2048	0x800	1000 0000 0000
-1/+820	2047	0x7FF	0111 1111 1111
-2/+820	2046	0x7FE	0111 1111 1110
-1.7	654	0x28E	0010 1000 1110

SELF-TEST

The ST pin controls the self-test feature. When this pin is set to $V_{\rm CC}$, an electrostatic force is exerted on the beam of the accelerometer. The resulting movement of the beam allows the user to test if the accelerometer is functional. The typical change in output is 750 mg (corresponding to 614 LSB) for $V_{\rm CC}=5.0$ V. This pin can be left open-circuit or connected to common in normal use. The ST pin should never be exposed to a voltage greater than $V_{\rm CC}+0.3$ V. If the system design is such that this condition cannot be guaranteed (for example, multiple supply voltages are present), a low $V_{\rm F}$ clamping diode between ST and $V_{\rm CC}$ is recommended.

SERIAL INTERFACE

The serial interface on the ADIS16003 consists of five wire: \overline{CS} , \overline{TCS} , SCLK, DIN, and DOUT. Both accelerometer axes and the temperature sensor data are available on the serial interface. The \overline{CS} and \overline{TCS} are used to select the accelerometer or temperature sensor outputs, respectively. \overline{CS} and \overline{TCS} cannot be active at the same time.

The SCLK input accesses data from the internal data registers.

ACCELEROMETER SERIAL INTERFACE

Figure 3 shows the detailed timing diagram for serial interfacing to the accelerometer in the ADIS16003. The serial clock provides the conversion clock. \overline{CS} initiates the data transfer and conversion process and also frames the serial data transfer for the accelerometer output. The accelerometer output is sampled on the second rising edge of the SCLK input after the falling edge of \overline{CS} . The conversion requires 16 SCLK cycles to complete. The rising edge of \overline{CS} puts the bus back into three-state. If \overline{CS} remains low,

the next digital conversion is initiated. The details for the control register bit functions are shown in Table 7.

Accelerometer Control Register

MSB							LSB
DONTC	ZERO	ZERO	ZERO	ADD0	ONE	ZERO	PM0

Table 7. Accelerometer Control Register Bit Functions

Bit	Mnemonic	Comments
7	DONTC	Don't care. Can be 1 or 0.
6 to 4	ZERO	These bits should be held low.
3	ADD0	This address bit selects the x-axis or y-axis outputs. A 0 selects the x-axis; a 1 selects the y-axis.
2	ONE	This bit should be held high.
1	ZERO	This bit should be held low.
0	PM0	This bit selects the operation mode for the accelerometer; set to 0 for normal operation and 1 for power-down mode.

Power Down

By setting PM0 to 1 when updating the accelerometer control register, the ADIS16003 goes into a shutdown mode. The information stored in the control register is maintained during shutdown. The ADIS16003 changes modes as soon as the control register is updated. If the part is in shutdown mode and PM0 is changed to 0, the part powers up on the 16th SCLK rising edge.

ADD0

By setting ADD0 to 0 when updating the accelerometer control register, the x-axis output is selected. By setting ADD0 to 1, the y-axis output is selected.

ZERO

ZERO is defined as the Logic low level.

ONE

ONE is defined as the Logic high level.

DONTC

DONTC is defined as don't care and can be a low or high logic level.

Accelerometer Conversion Details

Every time the accelerometer is sampled, the sampling function discharges the internal C_X or C_Y filtering capacitors by up to 2% of their initial values (assuming no additional external filtering capacitors are added). The recovery time for the filter capacitor to recharge is approximately 10 μ s. Therefore, sampling the accelerometer at a rate of 10 kSPS or less does not induce a sampling error. However, as sampling frequencies increase above 10 kSPS, one can expect sampling errors to attenuate the actual acceleration levels.

TEMPERATURE SENSOR SERIAL INTERFACE

Read Operation

Figure 4 shows the timing diagram for a serial read from the temperature sensor. The \overline{TCS} line enables the SCLK input. Ten bits of data and a leading zero are transferred during a read operation. Read operations occur during streams of 16 clock pulses. The serial data is accessed in a number of bytes if 10 bits of data are being read. At the end of the read operation, the DOUT line remains in the state of the last bit of data clocked out until \overline{TCS} goes high, at which time the DOUT line from the temperature sensor goes three-state.

Write Operation

Figure 4 also shows the timing diagram for the serial write to the temperature sensor. The write operation takes place at the same time as the read operation. Data is clocked into the control register on the rising edge of SCLK. DIN should remain low for the entire cycle.

Temperature Sensor Control Register

MSB							LSB
ZERO							

Table 8. Temperature Sensor Control Register Bit Functions

Bit	Mnemonic	Comments
7 to 0	ZERO	All bits should be held low.

ZERO

ZERO is defined as the Logic low level.

Output Data Format

The output data format for the temperature sensor is twos complement. Table 9 shows the relationship between the temperature and the digital output.

Table 9. Temperature Sensor Data Format

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Temperature	Digital Output (DB9 DB0)	
−40°C	11 0110 0000	
−25°C	11 1001 1100	
−0.25°C	11 1111 1111	
0°C	00 0000 0000	
+0.25°C	00 0000 0001	
+10°C	00 0010 1000	
+25°C	00 0110 0100	
+50°C	00 1100 1000	
+75°C	01 0010 1100	
+100°C	01 1001 0000	
+125°C	01 1111 0100	

Temperature Sensor Conversion Details

The ADIS16003 features a 10-bit digital temperature sensor that allows an accurate measurement of the ambient device temperature to be made.

The conversion clock for the temperature sensor is internally generated so no external clock is required except when reading from and writing to the serial port. In normal mode, an internal clock oscillator runs the automatic conversion sequence. A conversion is initiated approximately every 350 μs . At this time, the temperature sensor wakes up and performs a temperature conversion. This temperature conversion typically takes 25 μs , at which time the temperature sensor automatically shuts down. The result of the most recent temperature conversion is available in the serial output register at any time. Once the conversion is finished, an internal oscillator starts counting and is designed to time out every 350 μs . The temperature sensor then powers up and does a conversion. If the \overline{TCS} is brought low every 350 μs (±30%) or less, the same temperature value is output onto the DOUT line every time without changing.

It is recommended that the \overline{TCS} line not be brought low every 350 μ s (±30%) or less. The ±30% covers process variation. The \overline{TCS} should become active (high to low) outside this range.

The device is designed to autoconvert every 350 μs . If the temperature sensor is accessed during the conversion process, an internal signal is generated to prevent any update of the temperature value register during the conversion. This prevents the user from reading back spurious data. The design of this feature results in this internal lockout signal being reset only at the start of the next autoconversion. Therefore, if the \overline{TCS} line goes active before the internal lockout signal is reset to its inactive mode, the internal lockout signal is not reset. To ensure that no lockout signal is set, bring \overline{TCS} low at a greater time than 350 μs (±30%). As a result, the temperature sensor is not interrupted during a conversion process.

In the automatic conversion mode, every time a read or write operation takes place, the internal clock oscillator is restarted at the end of the read or write operation. The result of the conversion is typically available 25 μ s later. Reading from the device before conversion is complete provides the same set of data.

POWER SUPPLY DECOUPLING

For most applications, a single 0.1 μF capacitor ($C_{\rm DC}$) adequately decouples the accelerometer from noise on the power supply. However, in some cases, particularly where noise is present at the 140 kHz internal clock frequency (or any harmonic thereof), noise on the supply can cause interference on the ADIS16003 output. If additional decoupling is needed, ferrite beads can be inserted in the supply line of the ADIS16003. Additionally, a larger bulk bypass capacitor (in the 1 μF to 22 μF range) can be added in parallel to $C_{\rm DC}$.

SETTING THE BANDWIDTH

The ADIS16003 has provisions for band limiting the accelerometer. Capacitors can be added at the XFILT pin and the YFILT pin to implement further low-pass filtering for antialiasing and noise reduction. The equation for the 3 dB bandwidth is

$$f_{-3dB} = 1/(2\pi(32 \text{ k}\Omega) \times (C_{(XFILT, YFILT)} + 2200 \text{ pF}))$$
 or more simply,

$$f_{-3dB} = 5 \, \mu \text{F}/(C_{(XFILT, YFILT)} + 2200 \, \text{pF})$$

The tolerance of the internal resistor (R_{FILT}) can vary typically as much as $\pm 25\%$ of its nominal value (32 k Ω); thus, the bandwidth varies accordingly.

A minimum capacitance of 0 pF for C_{XFILT} and C_{YFILT} is allowable.

Table 10. Filter Capacitor Selection, CXFILT and CYFILT

Bandwidth (Hz)	Capacitor (μF)
1	4.7
10	0.47
50	0.10
100	0.047
200	0.022
400	0.01
2250	0

SELECTING FILTER CHARACTERISTICS: THE NOISE/BANDWIDTH TRADE-OFF

The accelerometer bandwidth selected ultimately determines the measurement resolution (smallest detectable acceleration). Filtering can be used to lower the noise floor, which improves the resolution of the accelerometer. Resolution is dependent on the analog filter bandwidth at XFILT and YFILT.

The ADIS16003 has a typical bandwidth of 2.25 kHz with no external filtering. The analog bandwidth can be further decreased to reduce noise and improve resolution.

The ADIS16003 noise has the characteristics of white Gaussian noise, which contributes equally at all frequencies and is described in terms of $\mu g/\sqrt{Hz}$ (that is, the noise is proportional to the square root of the bandwidth of the accelerometer). The user should limit bandwidth to the lowest frequency needed by the application to maximize the resolution and dynamic range of the accelerometer.

With the single-pole, roll-off characteristic, the typical noise of the ADIS16003 is determined by

$$rmsNoise = (110 \ \mu g/\sqrt{Hz}) \times (\sqrt{(BW \times 1.6)})$$

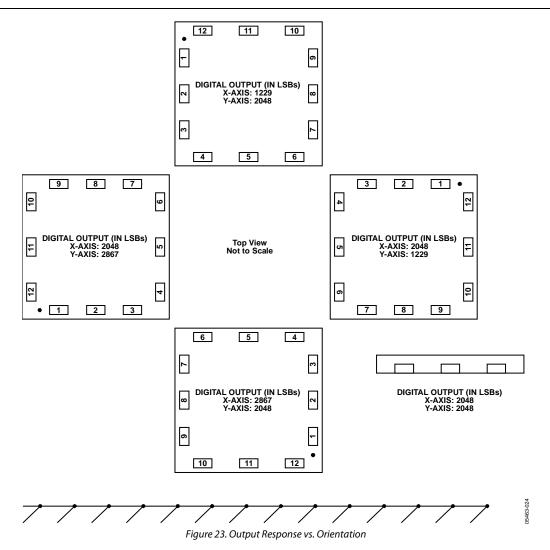
At 100 Hz, the noise is

$$rmsNoise = (110 \, \mu g/\sqrt{Hz}) \times (\sqrt{(100 \times 1.6)}) = 1.4 \, mg$$

Often, the peak value of the noise is desired. Peak-to-peak noise can only be estimated by statistical methods. Table 11 is useful for estimating the probabilities of exceeding various peak values, given the rms value.

Table 11. Estimation of Peak-to-Peak Noise

Peak-to-Peak Value	Percentage of Time Noise Exceeds Nominal Peak-to-Peak Value (%)
2×rms	32
$4 \times rms$	4.6
6×rms	0.27
8 × rms	0.006



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APPLICATIONS INFORMATION DUAL-AXIS TILT SENSOR

One of the most popular applications of the ADIS16003 is tilt measurement. An accelerometer uses the force of gravity as an input vector to determine the orientation of an object in space. An accelerometer is most sensitive to tilt when its sensitive axis is perpendicular to the force of gravity, that is, parallel to the earth's surface. At this orientation, its sensitivity to changes in tilt is highest. When the accelerometer is oriented on axis to gravity, near its +1 g or -1 g reading, the change in output acceleration per degree of tilt is negligible. When the accelerometer is perpendicular to gravity, its output changes nearly 17.5 mg per degree of tilt. At 45° , its output changes at only 12.2 mg per degree and its resolution declines.

Converting Acceleration to Tilt

When the accelerometer is oriented, so both its x-axis and y-axis are parallel to the earth's surface, it can be used as a 2-axis tilt sensor with a roll axis and a pitch axis. Once the output signal from the accelerometer is converted to an acceleration that varies between $-1\ g$ and $+1\ g$, the output tilt in degrees is calculated as follows:

$$PITCH = Asin(A_X/1 g)$$

 $ROLL = Asin(A_Y/1 g)$

where

 A_X is the acceleration along the x-axis. A_Y is the acceleration along the y-axis.

Be sure to account for overranges. It is possible for the accelerometers to output a signal greater than ± 1 g due to vibration, shock, or other accelerations.

SECOND LEVEL ASSEMBLY

The ADIS16003 can be attached to the second level assembly board using SN63 (or equivalent) or lead-free solder. IPC/ JEDEC J-STD-020 and J-STD-033 provide standard handling procedures for these types of packages.