Grove - Digital Light Sensor



This module is based on the I2C light-to-digital converter TSL2561 to transform light intensity to a digital signal. Different from

traditional analog light sensor, as Grove - Light Sensor [https://www.seeedstudio.com/depot/grove-light-sensorp-p-1253.html?cPath=144_148], this digital module features a selectable light spectrum range due to its dual light sensitive diodes: infrared and full spectrum.

We can switch among three detection modes to take your readings. They are infrared mode, full spectrum and human visible mode. When running under the human visible mode, this sensor will give you readings just close to your eye feelings.



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[https://www.seeedstudio.com/Grove-Digital-Light-Sensor-p-1281.html]

Version

Product Version	Changes	Released Date
Grove - Digital Light Sensor V1.1	Initial	Oct 2015

Features

- Selectable detection modes
- High resolution 16-Bit digital output at 400 kHz I2C Fast-Mode
- Wide dynamic range: 0.1 40,000 LUX
- Wide operating temperature range: -40°C to 85°C
- Programmable interrupt function with User-Defined Upper and lower threshold settings
- I2C Address 0x29

Note

If you want to use multiplue I2C devices, please refer to Software I2C [https://wiki.seeedstudio.com/Arduino_Software_I2C_user_guide/].

👌 Tip

More details about Grove modules please refer to Grove System [https://wiki.seeedstudio.com/Grove_System/]

Specifications

ltems	Min	Typical	Max	Unit
Supply voltage, VDD	3.3	5	5.1	V
Operating temperature	-30	١	70	°C
SCL,SDA input low voltage	-0.5	١	0.8	V
SCL,SDA input high voltage	2.3	١	5.1	V

Platforms Supported

Arduino	Raspberry Pi	
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Caution

The platforms mentioned above as supported is/are an indication of the module's software or theoritical compatibility. We only provide software library or code examples for Arduino platform in most cases. It is not possible to provide software library / demo code for all possible MCU platforms. Hence, users have to write their own software library.

Hardware Overview

U1: TSL2561 IC, Light-To-Digital Converter. Here is the Functional Block Diagram.

Register Map

The TSL2561 is controlled and monitored by sixteen registers (three are reserved) and a command register accessed through the serial interface. These registers provide for a variety of control functions and can be read to determine results of the ADC conversions. The register set is summarised as shown below.

ADDRESS	RESISTER NAME	REGISTER FUNCTION
	COMMAND	Specifies register address
0h	CONTROL	Control of basic functions
1h	TIMING	Integration time/gain control
2h	THRESHLOWLOW	Low byte of low interrupt threshold
3h	THRESHLOWHIGH	High byte of low interrupt threshold
4h	THRESHHIGHLOW	Low byte of high interrupt threshold
5h	THRESHHIGHHIGH	High byte of high interrupt threshold
6h	INTERRUPT	Interrupt control
7h		Reserved
8h	CRC	Factory test — not a user register
9h		Reserved
Ah	ID	Part number/ Rev ID
Bh		Reserved
Ch	DATAOLOW	Low byte of ADC channel 0
Dh	DATA0HIGH	High byte of ADC channel 0
Eh	DATA1LOW	Low byte of ADC channel 1
Fh	DATA1HIGH	High byte of ADC channel 1

• Spectrum Response Curve

Two channels of the digital light sensor have different response characteristic. That's why you can choose its working mode by having both of them on or one of them off.

U3: XC6206MR332 IC, Positive Voltage Regulators.

Q1,Q2: BSN20 IC, N-channel Enhancement Mode Vertical D-MOS Transistor.

SCL,SDA: I2C Signal Interface

Getting Started

If this is the first time you work with Arduino, we firmly recommend you to see Getting Started with Arduino [https://wiki.seeedstudio.com/Getting_Started_with_Arduino/] before the start.

Play With Arduino

Hardware

• Step 1. Prepare the below stuffs:

- Step 2. Connect Grove Digital light Sensor to I2C port of base shield.
- **Step 3.** Plug the base Shield into Arduino.
- Step 4. Connect Arduino to PC by using a USB cable.

Software

- Step 1. Download the library from here Digital Light Sensor Library [https://github.com/Seeed-Studio/Grove_Digital_Light_Sensor/archive/master.zip];
- Step 2. Please follow how to install an arduino library [https://wiki.seeedstudio.com/How_to_install_Arduino_Library/] procedures to install library.
- Step 3. Open the code directly by the path: File -> Example >Digital_Light_Sensor->Digital_Light_Sensor.

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<pre>sketch_apr16a void setup() { // put your se } void loop() { // put your ma</pre>	New Open Open Recent Sketchbook Examples Close Save Save Save As Page Setup	#N #O ► ► #W #S ☆#S ☆#S	Arduino Learning Board Arduino Twitter Library Arduino-Websocket-Fast Blynk BTLE CAN_BUS_Shield-master dht11 ESP8266 Weather Station ESP8266 Simple-master	* * * * * * * *	6a Arduino 1.6.9	
}		001	Ethernet2 Grove_Digital_Light_Sensor-master Grove_I2C_Motor_Driver_v1_3-master Grove_LCD_RGB_Backlight-master Grove_Temperature_And_Humidity_Sensor-master Grove_Ultrasonic_Ranger-master	* * * * *	Digital_Light_Sensor	

Or copy below code to IDE and upload to Arduino.


```
28
29
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31
32 #include <Digital_Light_TSL2561.h>
33 void setup()
34 {
   Wire.begin();
35
     Serial.begin(9600);
36
     TSL2561.init();
37
38 }
39
40 void loop()
41
     Serial.print("The Light value is: ");
42
     Serial.println(TSL2561.readVisibleLux());
43
     delay(1000);
44
45 }
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• Step 4. Open the serial monitor to monitor the result.

				Send
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 3595		•
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 3622		
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 6232		
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 1708		
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 348		
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 401		
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The Ligh	nt value i	s: 2641		
The Ligh	nt value i	s: 3484		
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Play With Raspberry Pi

Hardware

• Step 1. Prepare the below stuffs:


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    Follow instruction
        [https://wiki.seeedstudio.com/GrovePi_Plus/] to configure the
        development environment.
```

• Plug the sensor to grovepi+ socket **I2C** by using a grove cable.

Software

Attention

If you are using **Raspberry Pi with Raspberrypi OS >= Bullseye**, you have to use this command line **only with Python3**.

• Step 1. Follow Setting Software

[https://www.dexterindustries.com/GrovePi/get-started-withthe-grovepi/setting-software/] to configure the development environment.

• Step 1. Navigate to the demos' directory:

cd yourpath/GrovePi/Software/Python/grove_i2c_digital_light

• Step 2. To see the code

nano grove_i2c_digital_light_sensor.py # "Ctrl+x" to exit #

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1
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9
    from time import sleep
10
    import smbus
11
    from Adafruit_I2C import Adafruit_I2C
12
    import RPi.GPIO as GPIO
13
    from smbus import SMBus
14
15
    TSL2561\_Control = 0x80
16
    TSL2561_Timing = 0x81
17
    TSL2561 Interrupt = 0x86
18
    TSL2561 Channel0L = 0 \times 8C
19
    TSL2561_ChannelOH = 0 \times 8D
20
    TSL2561 Channel1L = 0 \times 8E
21
    TSL2561_Channel1H = 0 \times 8F
22
23
    TSL2561_Address = 0x29 #device address
24
25
    LUX_SCALE = 14 # scale by 2^14
26
    RATIO_SCALE = 9 # scale ratio by 2^9
27
    CH_SCALE = 10 # scale channel values by 2<sup>10</sup>
28
    CHSCALE_TINT0 = 0x7517 # 322/11 * 2^CH SCALE
29
    CHSCALE_TINT1 = 0x0fe7 # 322/81 * 2^CH_SCALE
30
31
    K1T = 0x0040 # 0.125 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
    B1T = 0x01f2 # 0.0304 * 2^LUX SCALE
32
    M1T = 0x01be # 0.0272 * 2^LUX_SCALE
33
34
    K2T = 0x0080 # 0.250 * 2^RATIO_SCA
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35	B2T	=	0 x 0214	#	0.0325 * 2^LUX_SCALE
36	M2T	=	0x02d1	#	0.0440 * 2^LUX_SCALE
37	КЗТ	=	0x00c0	#	0.375 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
38	B3T	=	0x023f	#	0.0351 * 2^LUX_SCALE
39	M3T	=	0x037b	#	0.0544 * 2^LUX_SCALE
40	K4T	=	0x0100	#	0.50 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
41	B4T	=	0 <mark>x</mark> 0270	#	0.0381 * 2^LUX_SCALE
42	M4T	=	0x03fe	#	0.0624 * 2^LUX_SCALE
43	K5T	=	0x0138	#	0.61 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
44	B5T	=	0x016f	#	0.0224 * 2^LUX_SCALE
45	M5T	=	0x01fc	#	0.0310 * 2^LUX_SCALE
46	К6Т	=	0x019a	#	0.80 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
47	B6T	=	0x00d2	#	0.0128 * 2^LUX_SCALE
48	M6T	=	0x00fb	#	0.0153 * 2^LUX_SCALE
49	K7T	=	0x029a	#	1.3 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
50	B7T	=	0x0018	#	0.00146 * 2^LUX_SCALE
51	M7T	=	0x0012	#	0.00112 * 2^LUX_SCALE
52	K8T	=	0x029a	#	1.3 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
53	B8T	=	0x0000	#	0.000 * 2^LUX_SCALE
54	M8T	=	0x0000	#	0.000 * 2^LUX_SCALE
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56					
5/	1/4 6		0 0040		
58	K1C	=	0x0043	# #	0.130 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
59	BTC	=	0x0204	# #	0.0315 * 2^LUX_SCALE
60 61	MILC	=	0x0002	#	$0.0262 \times 2^{-1}UX_SCALE$
61 62		_	0200020	# #	0.200 * 2"KATIO_SCALE
62	M2C	_	0x0220 0x02c1	#	$0.0337 \times 2 LUA_SCALE$
64	KSC	_	0x02C1	т #	0.390×2^{RATTO} SCALE
65	B3C	=	0x0253	" #	0.0363 * 2^111X SCALE
66	M3C	=	0x0363	#	0.0529 * 2^LUX SCALE
67	K4C	=	0x010a	#	0.520 * 2^RATIO SCALE
68	B4C	=	0x0282	#	0.0392 * 2^LUX SCALE
69	M4C	=	0x03df	#	0.0605 * 2^LUX SCALE
70			00144	#	0.65 * 2^RATTO SCALE
71	К <u>5С</u>	=	0X0140	#	
	К5С В <u>5С</u>	=	0x014d 0x <u>0177</u>	# #	0.0229 * 2^LUX_SCALE
72	К5С В5С <u>М5С</u>	=	0x014d 0x0177 0x <u>01dd</u>	# # #	0.0229 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.0291 * 2^LUX_SCALE
72 73	K5C B5C M5C K6C	= = =	0x014d 0x0177 0x01dd 0x019a	# # # #	0.0229 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.0291 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.80 * 2^RATIO_SCALE
72 73 74	K5C B5C M5C K6C B6C	= = = =	0x014d 0x0177 0x01dd 0x019a 0x0101	# # # #	0.0229 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.0291 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.80 * 2^RATIO_SCALE 0.0157 * 2^LUX_SCALE
72 73 74 75	K5C B5C M5C K6C B6C M6C	= = = =	0x014d 0x0177 0x01dd 0x019a 0x0101 0x0127	# # # # #	0.0229 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.0291 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.80 * 2^RATIO_SCALE 0.0157 * 2^LUX_SCALE 0.0180 * 2^LUX_SCALE

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76
     K7C = 0x029a # 1.3 * 2^RATIO SCALE
77
     B7C = 0x0037 # 0.00338 * 2^LUX SCALE
78
    M7C = 0 \times 002b \# 0.00260 * 2^{LUX} SCALE
79
     K8C = 0x029a # 1.3 * 2^RATIO SCALE
     B8C = 0x0000 # 0.000 * 2<sup>LUX</sup> SCALE
80
81
     M8C = 0x0000 # 0.000 * 2^LUX SCALE
82
83
    rev = GPIO.RPI REVISION
84
85
    if rev == 2 or rev == 3:
86
         bus = smbus.SMBus(1)
87
     else:
88
         bus = smbus.SMBus(0)
89
     i2c = Adafruit I2C(TSL2561 Address)
90
91
     debug = False
92
     cooldown time = 0.005 # measured in seconds
93
     packageType = 0 # 0=T package, 1=CS package
94
    gain = 0
                    # current gain: 0=1x, 1=16x [dynamicall]
95
    gain m = 1
                    # current gain, as multiplier
96
    timing = 2
                    # current integration time: 0=13.7ms, 1
97
     timing ms = 0 # current integration time, in ms
                    # raw current value of visible+ir senso
98
    channel0 = 0
     channel1 = 0
                    # raw current value of ir sensor
99
100 schannel0 = 0 # normalized current value of visible+i
    schannel1 = 0 # normalized current value of ir sensor
101
102
103
104
     def readRegister(address):
105
         try:
106
             byteval = i2c.readU8(address)
107
108
             sleep(cooldown time)
109
             if (debug):
110
                 print("TSL2561.readRegister: returned 0x%02)
111
             return byteval
112
         except IOError:
113
             print("TSL2561.readRegister: error reading byte
114
             return -1
115
116
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117
     def writeRegister(address, val):
118
         try:
119
             i2c.write8(address, val)
120
121
             sleep(cooldown time)
122
             if (debug):
123
                 print("TSL2561.writeRegister: wrote 0x%02X
124
         except IOError:
125
126
             sleep(cooldown time)
127
             print("TSL2561.writeRegister: error writing byte
128
             return -1
129
     def powerUp():
130
131
         writeRegister(TSL2561 Control, 0x03)
132
133
     def powerDown():
134
         writeRegister(TSL2561 Control, 0x00)
135
     def setTintAndGain():
136
137
         global gain_m, timing_ms
138
139
         if gain == 0:
140
             gain_m = 1
141
         else:
142
             gain_m = 16
143
144
         if timing == 0:
145
             timing ms = 13.7
146
         elif timing == 1:
147
             timing ms = 101
148
         else:
149
             timing ms = 402
150
         writeRegister(TSL2561 Timing, timing | gain << 4)</pre>
151
     def readLux():
152
153
         sleep(float(timing ms + 1) / 1000)
154
155
         ch0_low = readRegister(TSL2561 Channel0L)
156
         ch0_high = readRegister(TSL2561_Channel0H)
157
         ch1_low = readRegister(TSL2561 Channel1L)
```

```
158
         ch1_high = readRegister(TSL2561 Channel1H)
159
160
         global channel0, channel1
161
         channel0 = (ch0 high < 8) | ch0 low
162
         channel1 = (ch1 high<<8) | ch1 low</pre>
163
164
         sleep(cooldown time)
165
         if debug:
166
             print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: channel 0 = %i,
167
168
     def readVisibleLux():
169
         global timing, gain
170
171
         powerUp()
172
         readLux()
173
174
         if channel0 < 500 and timing == 0:
             timing = 1
175
176
             sleep(cooldown time)
             if debug:
177
178
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: too dark. In
179
             setTintAndGain()
180
             readLux()
181
182
         if channel0 < 500 and timing == 1:</pre>
             timing = 2
183
184
             sleep(cooldown time)
185
             if debug:
186
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: too dark. In
187
              setTintAndGain()
188
             readLux()
189
190
         if channel0 < 500 and timing == 2 and gain == 0:
191
             gain = 1
192
             sleep(cooldown time)
193
             if debug:
194
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: too dark. Se
195
              setTintAndGain()
196
             readLux()
197
198
         if (channel0 > 20000 or channel1 > 20000) and timin
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```
199
             gain = 0
200
             sleep(cooldown_time)
201
             if debug:
202
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: enough light
203
             setTintAndGain()
204
             readLux()
205
206
         if (channel0 > 20000 or channel1 > 20000) and timin
207
             timing = 1
208
             sleep(cooldown_time)
209
             if debug:
210
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: enough light
211
             setTintAndGain()
212
             readLux()
213
214
         if (channel0 > 10000 or channel1 > 10000) and timin
215
             timing = 0
216
             sleep(cooldown time)
217
             if debug:
                  print("TSL2561.readVisibleLux: enough light
218
219
             setTintAndGain()
220
             readLux()
221
222
         powerDown()
223
224
         if (timing == 0 and (channel0 > 5000 or channel1 >
225
226
             return -1
227
228
         return calculateLux(channel0, channel1)
229
230
     def calculateLux(ch0, ch1):
231
         chScale = 0
232
         if timing == 0:
                           # 13.7 msec
233
             chScale = CHSCALE TINT0
234
         elif timing == 1: # 101 msec
235
             chScale = CHSCALE TINT1;
236
         else:
                          # assume no scaling
237
             chScale = (1 << CH SCALE)</pre>
238
239
         if gain == 0:
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240
              chScale = chScale << 4 # scale 1X to 16X
241
242
243
          global schannel0, schannel1
244
          schannel0 = (ch0 * chScale) >> CH SCALE
245
          schannel1 = (ch1 * chScale) >> CH SCALE
246
247
          ratio = 0
248
          if schannel0 != 0:
249
              ratio = (schannel1 << (RATIO_SCALE+1)) / schannel</pre>
250
          ratio = (ratio + 1) >> 1
251
252
          if packageType == 0: # T package
253
              if ((ratio >= 0) and (ratio <= K1T)):
254
                   b=B1T; m=M1T;
255
              elif (ratio <= K2T):</pre>
256
                   b=B2T; m=M2T;
257
              elif (ratio <= K3T):</pre>
258
                   b=B3T; m=M3T;
259
              elif (ratio <= K4T):</pre>
260
                   b=B4T; m=M4T;
              elif (ratio <= K5T):</pre>
261
262
                   b=B5T; m=M5T;
263
              elif (ratio <= K6T):</pre>
264
                   b=B6T; m=M6T;
              elif (ratio <= K7T):</pre>
265
266
                   b=B7T; m=M7T;
267
              elif (ratio > K8T):
268
                   b=B8T; m=M8T;
269
          elif packageType == 1: # CS package
270
              if ((ratio >= 0) and (ratio <= K1C)):
271
                   b=B1C; m=M1C;
272
              elif (ratio <= K2C):</pre>
273
                   b=B2C; m=M2C;
274
              elif (ratio <= K3C):</pre>
275
                   b=B3C; m=M3C;
276
              elif (ratio <= K4C):</pre>
277
                   b=B4C; m=M4C;
278
              elif (ratio <= K5C):</pre>
279
                   b=B5C; m=M5C;
280
              elif (ratio <= K6C):</pre>
```

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281
                  b=B6C; m=M6C;
282
              elif (ratio <= K7C):</pre>
283
                  b=B7C; m=M7C;
284
285
         temp = ((schannel0*b)-(schannel1*m))
286
         if temp < 0:</pre>
287
              temp = 0;
288
         temp += (1<<(LUX SCALE-1))</pre>
289
290
         lux = temp>>LUX SCALE
291
         sleep(cooldown time)
         if debug:
292
293
              print("TSL2561.calculateLux: %i" % lux)
294
295
         return lux
296
297
     def init():
298
         powerUp()
299
         setTintAndGain()
         writeRegister(TSL2561_Interrupt, 0x00)
300
301
         powerDown()
302
303
     def main():
304
         init()
305
         while (True):
              print("Lux: %i [Vis+IR=%i, IR=%i @ Gain=%ix, Ti
306
307
              sleep(1)
308
309 if __name__ == "__main__":
310
              main()
```

• Step 3. Run the demo.

sudo python3 grove_i2c_digital_light_sensor.py

• Step 4. Here is the Result.

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<pre>pi@raspberrypi ~/software/GrovePi/Software/Python/grove_i2c_digital_light_sensor { \$ sudo python grove_i2c_digital_light_sensor.py Power ON</pre>	•
responce: 80	
PartNo = not TSL2560 or TSL 2561	
RevNo =	
gain = 0	
Setting high gain	
I2C: Device 0x29: returned 0x0BBF from reg 0x8C	
I2C: Device 0x29: returned 0x0310 from reg 0x8E	
IR Result without scaling: 4099	
IR Result: 4099	
Ambient Result without scaling: 48907	
Ambient Result: 48907	
ratio: 0.0838121332325	
There is light:	
ambient = 48907	
IR = 4099	
_ambient = 48907	
_IR = 4099	
Light = 1450.40189109 lux.	
Power OFF	
gain = 0	155
I2C: Device 0x29: returned 0x0BBC from reg 0x8C	1

Schematic Online Viewer

Resources

- [Eagle] Grove Digital Light Sensor Schematic
 [https://files.seeedstudio.com/wiki/Grove Digital_Light_Sensor/res/Grove Digital%20%20light%20%20sensor%20v1.0%20eagle%20file.zip]
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Projects

Seeed LoRa IoTea Solution: An automatic information collection system applied to tea plantation. It is part of intelligent agricultural information collection.

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Seeed LoRa loTea Solution (https://www.backsterio/SeeedStudio/seeec

Intel Edison IoT Hydroponic Controller: An IoT enabled

Hydroponics Controller using the Intel Edison during the Boston IoT Hackathon.

(https://www.hackster.io/bltrobotics/inteledison-iot-hydroponic-controller-d7132d) **COI - Light Transmission Meter**: The finished product uses the light sensor provided in the Grove Starter Kit Plus to measure change in light intensity.

(https://www.hackster.io/DigitalFabber/coilight-transmission-meter-8044fd)

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