APDS-9005
Miniature Surface-Mount Ambient Light Photo Sensor

Data Sheet

Description
The APDS-9005 is a low cost analog-output ambient light photo sensor in miniature chipLED lead-free surface mount package. It consists of a photo sensor, whose spectral response is close to the CIE standard photopic observer, as show in figure 2. The APDS-9005 is ideal for applications in which the measurement of ambient light is used to control display backlighting. Mobile appliances such as the mobile phones and PDAs that draw heavy current from display backlighting will benefit from incorporating these photo sensor products in their designs by reducing power consumption significantly.

Application Support Information
The Application Engineering Group is available to assist you with the application design associated with APDS-9005 ambient light photo sensor module. You can contact them through your local sales representatives for additional details.

Features
• Spectral responsivity close to that of human eye
• Miniature ChipLED Leadfree surface-mount package
  Height – 0.55 mm
  Width – 1.60 mm
  Depth – 1.50 mm
• Low sensitivity variation across various light sources
• Recommended operating temperature : -40°C to 85°C
• Vcc supply 1.8 to 5.5V
• Lead-free package, RoHS compliance
• Output linearity across wide illumination range

Applications
• Detection of ambient light to control display backlighting
  Mobile devices – Mobile phones, PDAs
  Computing devices – Notebooks, Webpads
  Consumer devices – TVs, Video Cameras, Digital Still Camera
• Automatic Residential and Commercial Lighting Management
• Electronic Signs and Signals
Ordering Information

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<th>Packaging Type</th>
<th>Package Description</th>
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<td>APDS-9005-020</td>
<td>Tape and Reel</td>
<td>6-pins Chipled package</td>
<td>2500</td>
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Typical Application Circuit

![Figure 1. Typical application circuit for APDS-9005](image)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Recommended Application Circuit Component</th>
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<tr>
<td>RLOAD</td>
<td>1k ohm</td>
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Note:
Refer to Figure 11 for General Luminance Vs Typical Output Voltage for different RLOAD values

I/O Pins Configuration Table

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<th>Pin</th>
<th>Symbol</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>VCC</td>
<td>VCC</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>NC</td>
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<td>3</td>
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<td>No Connect</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>NC</td>
<td>No Connect</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Iout</td>
<td>Out</td>
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Absolute Maximum Ratings

For implementations where case to ambient thermal resistance is ≤ 50 °C/W

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<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Min.</th>
<th>Max.</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<tr>
<td>Storage Temperature</td>
<td>T_S</td>
<td>-40</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>°C</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating temperature</td>
<td>T_A</td>
<td>-40</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>°C</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supply Voltage</td>
<td>V_CC</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>V</td>
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Recommended Operating Conditions

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<td>Supply Voltage</td>
<td>V_CC</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>5.5</td>
<td>V</td>
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CAUTIONS: It is advised that normal static precautions be taken in handling and assembly of this component to prevent damage and/or degradation which may be induced by ESD

Figure 1. Typical application circuit for APDS-9005

Figure 2. Relative Spectral Response Vs Wavelength
### Electrical & Optical Specifications (Ta=25°C)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Symbol</th>
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<th>Typ.</th>
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<th>Conditions</th>
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<tr>
<td>Photo Current (I)</td>
<td>$I_{PH}$</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>uA</td>
<td>$V_{cc} = 1.8V, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Photo Current (II)</td>
<td>$I_{PH2}$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>uA</td>
<td>$V_{cc} = 1.8V, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dark Current</td>
<td>$I_{DARK}$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>nA</td>
<td>$V_{cc} = 3V, Lux = 0$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Light Current Ratio</td>
<td>$I_{PH3} / I_{PH2}$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>-</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Rise Time</td>
<td>$T_r$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
<td>$R_1 = 1Kohm, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fall Time</td>
<td>$T_f$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
<td>$R_1 = 1Kohm, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Peak sensitivity wavelength</td>
<td>$\lambda_c$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>nm</td>
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<td>Settling Time pulsed at $V_{cc}$</td>
<td>$T_{set}$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
<td>$V_{cc}$ pulsed = 0V to 3V; $R_{load} = 2.4K$ohms; $Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Propagation delay</td>
<td>$T_d$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
<td>$R_1 = 1Kohm, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Storage delay</td>
<td>$T_s$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>ms</td>
<td>$R_1 = 1Kohm, Lux = 100$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Saturation voltage</td>
<td>$V_{sat}$</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>V</td>
<td>$R_1 = 150Kohm, Lux = 100$</td>
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**Note:**

1. Illuminance by incandescent lamp
2. White LED is used as light source

### Light Measurement Circuit and Waveforms

[Diagram of Light Measurement Circuit and Waveforms]

- Sensor-output attains ~95% of its voltage magnitude corresponds to the set light level
- $V_{CC}$ Pulse from PG
- Sensor Output at Load
Figure 3. Average Iout Vs Lux (Vcc = 1.8V, T=25°C, White LED source)

Figure 4. Average relative Iout Vs Temp (Vcc = 1.8V, T=25°C, 100 Lux)

Figure 5. Relative Output Current Vs Temp (Vcc = 1.8V, 100 Lux)

Figure 6. Relative Output Current Vs Vcc (Ta = 25°C, 100 Lux)

Figure 7. Relative Iout Vs Angle (Vcc = 1.8V, Ta = 25°C)

Figure 8. Average Rise Time Vs Load Resistance at Vcc = 1.8V
Figure 9. Average Fall Time Vs Load Resistance at Vcc = 1.8V

Figure 10. Dark current Vs temperature

Figure 11. General Luminance vs Typical Output Voltage
(Vcc = 1.8V, T = 25°C, Light Source = White LED)
APDS-9005 Package Outline

Top View

Bottom View

Unit: mm
Tolerance: ±0.1

Light receiving area
[2 x (0.2616 x 0.2166)]mm

Pin Configuration
1. VCC
2. NC
3. NC
4. NC
5. NC
6. OUT
APDS-9005 Tape and Reel Dimension

Material of Carrier Tape: Conductive Polyethylene
Material of Cover Tape: PVC
Method of Cover: Heat Sensitive Adhesive

### Diagram Details

- **Material of Carrier Tape:** Conductive Polyethylene
- **Material of Cover Tape:** PVC
- **Method of Cover:** Heat Sensitive Adhesive
- **Unit:** mm

**Dimensions:**
- **B** and **C**:
  - **B:** 178
  - **C:** 75
- **Label:**
  - **Detail A**: Diameter 2.0 ± 0.50
  - **Detail A**: Diameter 13.0 ± 0.50
  - **Detail A**: Diameter 1.0
- **Other Dimensions:**
  - **Label Diameter:** 20.2 (min)
  - **Label Diameter:** 15.4 (max)
Moisture Proof Packaging

All APDS-9005 options are shipped in moisture proof package. Once opened, moisture absorption begins. This part is compliant to JEDEC Level 3.

Baking Conditions:

If the parts are not stored in dry conditions, they must be baked before reflow to prevent damage to the parts.

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<th>Package</th>
<th>Temperature</th>
<th>Time</th>
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<tr>
<td>In Reel</td>
<td>60°C</td>
<td>48 hours</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>In Bulk</td>
<td>100°C</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
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Baking should only be done once.

Recommended Storage Conditions:

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<th>Storage Temperature</th>
<th>10 °C to 30 °C</th>
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<tr>
<td>Relative Humidity</td>
<td>below 60% RH</td>
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Time from unsealing to soldering:

After removal from the bag, the parts should be soldered within 7 days and if stored at the recommended storage conditions. If times longer than 7 days are needed, the parts must be stored in a dry box.
The reflow profile is a straight-line representation of a nominal temperature profile for a convective reflow solder process. The temperature profile is divided into four process zones, each with different ΔT/Δt time temperature change rates or duration. The ΔT/Δt time rates or duration are detailed in the above table. The temperatures are measured at the component to printed circuit board connections.

**Process zone P1**, the PC board and APDS-9005 pins are heated to a temperature of 150°C to activate the flux in the solder paste. The temperature ramp up rate, R1, is limited to 3°C per second to allow for even heating of both the PC board and APDS-9005 pins.

**Process zone P2** should be of sufficient time duration (100 to 180 seconds) to dry the solder paste. The temperature is raised to a level just below the liquidus point of the solder, usually 200°C (392°F).

**Process zone P3** is the solder reflow zone. In zone P3, the temperature is quickly raised above the liquidus point of solder to 255°C (491°F) for optimum results. The dwell time above the liquidus point of solder should be between 20 and 40 seconds. It usually takes about 20 seconds to assure proper coalescing of the solder balls into liquid solder and the formation of good solder connections. Beyond a dwell time of 40 seconds, the intermetallic growth within the solder connections becomes excessive, resulting in the formation of weak and unreliable connections. The temperature is then rapidly reduced to a point below the solidus temperature of the solder, usually 200°C (392°F), to allow the solder within the connections to freeze solid.

**Process zone P4** is the cool down after solder freeze. The cool down rate, R5, from the liquidus point of the solder to 25°C (77°F) should not exceed 6°C per second maximum. This limitation is necessary to allow the PC board and APDS-9005 pins to change dimensions evenly, putting minimal stresses on the APDS-9005.

It is recommended to perform reflow soldering no more than twice.
1.0 Solder Pad, Mask and Metal Stencil Aperture

It is recommended that a 0.11 mm (0.004 inches) thick stencil be used for solder paste printing. Aperture opening for shield pad is 0.4mm x 0.4mm and 0.2mm x 0.4mm (as per land pattern). This is to ensure adequate printed solder paste volume and no shorting.

1.3 Adjacent Land Keepout and Solder Mask Areas

Adjacent land keep-out is the maximum space occupied by the unit relative to the land pattern. There should be no other SMD components within this area.

The minimum solder resist strip width required to avoid solder bridging adjacent pads is 0.2 mm.

Note: Wet/Liquid Photo-Imageable solder resist/mask is recommended.
Appendix B: Optical Window Design for APDS-9005

2.0 Optical Window Dimensions

To ensure that the performance of the APDS-9005 will not be affected by improper window design, there are some constraints on the dimensions and design of the window. There is a constraint on the minimum size of the window, which is placed in front of the photo light sensor, so that it will not affect the angular response of the APDS-9005. This minimum dimension that is recommended will ensure at least a \( \pm 35^\circ \) light reception cone.

If a smaller window is required, a light pipe or light guide can be used. A light pipe or light guide is a cylindrical piece of transparent plastic, which makes use of total internal reflection to focus the light.

The thickness of the window should be kept as minimum as possible because there is a loss of power in every optical window of about 8% due to reflection (4% on each side) and an additional loss of energy in the plastic material.

Figure B1 and B2 illustrate the two types of window that we have recommended which could either be a flat window or a flat window with light pipe.

Table 1 and Figure B3 below show the recommended dimensions of the window. These dimension values are based on a window thickness of 1.0mm with a refractive index 1.585.

![Figure B3. Recommended Window Dimensions](image)

### Table 1. Recommended minimum dimension for optical window

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>WD (T+L+Z)</th>
<th>Flat Window (L=0.0)</th>
<th>Flat window with Light Pipe</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Z</td>
<td>D1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1.5</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>2.05</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>2.75</td>
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<td>2.5</td>
<td>1.5</td>
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<td>3.0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>4.15</td>
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All dimensions are in mm

The window should be placed directly on top of the light receiving area (active area) of the photo sensor to achieve better performance and if a flat window with a light pipe is used, dimension D2 should be 1.2mm to optimize the performance of APDS-9005.

The recommended minimum window dimension is based on the assumption that the center of the window and the center of the light receiving of the photo sensor are the same. It is recommended that the tolerance for assembly be considered as well. The recommended minimum window size which will take into account of the assembly tolerance is defined as:

\[
D1 \ (\text{min + assembly tolerance}) = D1_{\text{min}} + 2*(\text{assembly tolerance}) \ (\text{Dimensions are in mm})
\]

\[
D2 \ (\text{min + assembly tolerance}) = D2_{\text{min}} + 2*(\text{assembly tolerance}) \ (\text{Dimensions are in mm})
\]
2.1 Optical Window Material
The material of the window is recommended to be polycarbonate. The surface finish of the plastic should be smooth, without any texture.

The recommended plastic material for use as a window is available from Bayer AG and Bayer Antwerp N. V. (Europe), Bayer Corp.(USA) and Bayer Polymers Co., Ltd. (Thailand), as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Recommended Plastic Materials

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<th>Material number</th>
<th>Visible light transmission</th>
<th>Refractive index</th>
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<tr>
<td>Makrolon LQ2647</td>
<td>87%</td>
<td>1.587</td>
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<tr>
<td>Makrolon LQ3147</td>
<td>87%</td>
<td>1.587</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Makrolon LQ3187</td>
<td>85%</td>
<td>1.587</td>
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Appendix C : General Application Guide for APDS-9005

The APDS-9005 is a low cost analog-output ambient light photo sensor whose spectral response closely emulates the human eyes. APDS-9005 consists of a photo sensor that is able to produce a high gain photo current to a sufficient level that can be converted to voltage with a standard value of external resistor. APDS-9005 can easily be integrated into systems that use ADC input which is available for sampling of the external source, as shown in figure C1 below.

The amount of converted voltage, Vout, is mainly dependant proportionally on the photo current which generated by the brightness of the light shone on the photo sensor and the load resistor used, RL. Increasing the brightness of the light or/and the load resistor will increase the output voltage.

Brightness is measured as “LUX” unit, which describes how intense a light source that our eyes perceive. LUX meter is the equipment for “LUX” measurement. Light sources with the same LUX level appear at the same brightness to the human eyes.

Selection of the load resistor RL will determine the amount of current-to-voltage conversion in the circuit.

Light source e.g. fluorescent light consists of ac noise frequency of about 100Hz. A capacitor of 10uF, which act as a low-pass filter, is recommended to add in parallel with the load resistor to reduce the ripples.

![Figure C1. Configuration of APDS-9005](image-url)