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# BMA150

## Digital, triaxial acceleration sensor

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## BMA150

### Digital, triaxial $\pm 2g/\pm 4g/\pm 8g$ acceleration sensor

#### Key features

- Three-axis accelerometer
- Temperature output
- Small package
  - LGA package
  - Footprint 3mm x 3mm, height 0.90mm
- Digital interface
  - SPI (4-wire, 3-wire), I<sup>2</sup>C, interrupt pin
- Programmable functionality
  - g-range  $\pm 2g/\pm 4g/\pm 8g$ , bandwidth 25-1500Hz, internal acceleration evaluation for interrupt trigger also enabling stand-alone capability (without use of microcontroller), self-test
- Ultra-low power ASIC
  - Low current consumption, short wake-up time, advanced features for system power management
- Eco-friendly
  - RoHS compliant
  - Halogen-free (part number 0 273 141 043 only)

#### Typical applications

- HDD protection
- Menu scrolling, tap sensing function
- Gaming
- Pedometer/step-counting
- Drop detection for warranty logging
- Display profile switching
- Advanced system power management for mobile applications
- Shock detection

#### General description


The BMA150 is a triaxial, low-g acceleration sensor IC with digital output for consumer market applications. It allows measurements of acceleration in perpendicular axes as well as absolute temperature measurement.

An evaluation circuitry converts the output of a three-channel micromechanical acceleration-sensing structure that works according to the differential capacitance principle.

Package and interface have been defined to match a multitude of hardware requirements. Since the sensor IC has small footprint and flat package it is attractive for mobile applications. The sensor IC can be programmed to optimize functionality, performance and power consumption in customer specific applications.


The BMA150 senses tilt, motion and shock vibration in cell phones, handhelds, computer peripherals, man-machine interfaces, virtual reality features and game controllers.

The BMA150 is the LGA package version of the SMB380 triaxial acceleration sensor which is available in a 3mm x 3mm x 0.9mm QFN package.


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## 1. Specification

If not stated otherwise, the given values are maximum values over lifetime and full performance temperature/voltage range in the normal operation mode.


**Table 1:** Operating range, output signal and mechanical specifications of BMA150

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
OPERATING RANGE						
Acceleration range	$g_{FS2g}$	Switchable via serial digital interface	-2		2	g
	$g_{FS4g}$		-4		4	g
	$g_{FS8g}$		-8		8	g
Supply voltage analogue	$V_{DD}$		2.4		3.6	V
Supply voltage for digital I/O	$V_{DDIO}$	$V_{DDIO} \leq V_{DD}$	1.62		3.6	V
Supply current in normal mode	$I_{DD}$	Digital and analog		200	290	$\mu$ A
Supply current in stand-by mode *	$I_{DDsbm}$	Digital and analog		1	2	$\mu$ A
Operating temperature	$T_A$		-40		+85	$^{\circ}$ C
ACCELERATION OUTPUT SIGNAL						
Acceleration output resolution		Format: 2's complement			10	Bit
Sensitivity	$S_{2g}$	g-range $\pm 2g$	246	256	266	LSB/g
	$S_{4g}$	g-range $\pm 4g$	122 **	128	134 **	LSB/g
	$S_{8g}$	g-range $\pm 8g$	61 **	64	67 **	LSB/g
Zero-g offset	Off	$T_A=25^{\circ}$ C, calibrated	-60		60	mg
Zero-g offset	Off	$T_A=25^{\circ}$ C, over lifetime ***	-150		150	mg
Zero-g offset temperature drift		Over $T_A$		1		mg/K
Power supply rejection ratio	PSRR	Over $V_{DD}$			0.2	LSB/V

\* For more details on the BMA150's current consumption during wake-up mode, please refer to chapter 7.2 & 7.3


\*\* Values here are given as indications for reference only

\*\*\* The offset can deviate from the original calibration mainly due to stress effects during soldering depending on the soldering process. For many applications it is beneficial to re-calibrate the offset after PCB assembly (see application note ANA016 "In-line offset re-calibration").

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Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Bandwidth	bw	2 <sup>nd</sup> order analog filter		1500		Hz
		Digital filter *		25, 50, 100, 190, 375, 750		Hz
Acceleration data refresh rate (all axes)	f_rate		2700	3000	3300	Hz
Nonlinearity	NL	Best fit straight line	-0.5		0.5	%FS
Output noise	n <sub>rms</sub>	Rms		0.5		mg/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
TEMPERATURE SENSOR IC						
Sensitivity	S <sub>T</sub>	Preliminary data	0.475	0.5	0.525	K/LSB
Temperature measurement range	T <sub>S</sub>		-30		97.5	°C
Temperature offset	Off <sub>T</sub>	Calibrated at 30°C		1		K
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS						
Cross axis sensitivity	$\bar{S}$	Relative contribution between 3 axes			2	%
POWERING UP CHARACTERISTICS						
Wake-up time	t <sub>wu</sub>	From stand-by		1	1.5	ms
Start-up time	t <sub>su</sub>	From power-off		3		ms

\* Please refer to chapter 3.1.3 for more detailed explanations

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## 2. Maximum ratings


**Table 2:** Maximum ratings specified for the BMA150

Parameter	Condition	Min	Max	Units
Supply Voltage	$V_{DD}$ and $V_{DDIO}$	-0.3	4.25	V
Voltage at any pad	$V_{pad}$	GND-0.3	$V_{DDIO}+0.3$	V
Storage Temperature range		-50	+150	°C
EEPROM write cycles	Same Byte	1000		cycles
EEPROM retention	At 55°C, after 1000 cycles	10		years
Mechanical Shock	Duration $\leq 100\mu s$		10,000	g
	Duration $\leq 1.0ms$		2,000	g
	Free fall onto hard surfaces		1.5	m
ESD	HBM, at any pin		2	kV
	CDM		500	V

**Note:**

Stress above these limits may cause damage to the device. Exceeding the specified electrical limits may affect the device reliability or cause malfunction.



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### 3. Global memory map

The global memory map of BMA150 has three levels of access:

Memory Region	Content	Access Level
Operational Registers	Data registers, control registers, status registers, interrupt settings	Direct access via serial interface
Default Setting Registers	Default values for operational registers, acceleration and temperature trimming values	Access blocked by default; Access enabled by setting control bit in operational registers via serial interface
Bosch Sensortec Reserved Registers	Internal trimming registers	Protected

The memory of BMA150 is realized in diverse physical architectures. Basically BMA150 uses volatile memory registers to operate. The volatile part of the memory can be changed and read quickly. Part of the volatile memory (“image”) is a copy of the non-volatile memory (EEPROM).

The EEPROM can be used to set default values for the operation of the sensor IC. The EEPROM is write only. The register values are copied to the image registers after power on or soft reset. The download of all EEPROM bytes to image registers is also done when the content of one EEPROM byte has been changed by a write command.

All operational and default setting registers are accessible through serial interface with a standard protocol:


Type of Register	Function of Register	Command	Volatile / non-volatile
Data Registers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Chip identification, chip version</li> <li>– Acceleration data, temperature</li> </ul>	Read Read	non-volatile (hard coded) volatile
Control Registers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Activating self test, soft reset, switch to sleep mode etc.</li> </ul>	Read / Write	volatile
Status Registers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Interrupt status and self test status</li> <li>– Customer usable status bytes</li> </ul>	Read Read / Write	Volatile volatile
Setting Register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Functional settings (range, bandwidth)</li> <li>– Interrupt settings</li> </ul>	Read / Write Read / Write	volatile volatile
EEPROM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Default settings of functional and interrupt settings</li> <li>– Trimming values</li> <li>– Customer reserved data storage</li> <li>– Bosch Sensortec Reserved Memory</li> </ul>	Write Write Write Write	non-volatile non-volatile non-volatile non-volatile

**Figure 1: Global memory map of BMA150**

Memory Region	Register Address (hexadecimal)	bit7	bit6	bit5	bit4	bit3	bit2	bit1	bit0	type	Default setting	
Bosch Sensortec Reserved Registers	50h to 7Fh									BST reserved	NA	
	43h to 49h									not used	NA	
	42h									BST reserved	NA	
	41h									BST reserved	NA	
	40h									BST reserved	NA	
	3Fh									BST reserved	NA	
	3Eh									BST reserved	NA	
Default Setting Registers	3Dh	offset_T (msb)				gain_T				trimming	NA	
	3Ch	offset_z (msb)				gain_z				trimming	NA	
	3Bh	offset_y (msb)				gain_y				trimming	NA	
	3Ah	offset_x (msb)				gain_x				trimming	NA	
	39h	offset_T (lsb)				gain_T				trimming	NA	
	38h	offset_z (lsb)				gain_z				trimming	NA	
	37h	offset_y (lsb)				gain_y				trimming	NA	
	36h	offset_x (lsb)				gain_x				trimming	NA	
	35h	SPI4	enable_adv_INT	new_data_INT	latch_INT	shadow_dis	wake_up_pause	wake_up			control	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0b
	34h	reserved			range<1:0>		bandwidth<2:0>				control	xxx 01 110b
	33h	customer_reserved 2 <7:0>									status	13
	32h	customer_reserved 1 <7:0>									status	162
	31h	any_motion_dur		HG_hyst<2:0>		LG_hyst<2:0>					settings	00 000 000b
	30h	any_motion_thres<7:0>									settings	0
	2Fh	HG_dur<7:0>									settings	150
	2Eh	HG_thres<7:0>									settings	160
	2Dh	LG_dur<7:0>									settings	150
	2Ch	LG_thres<7:0>									settings	20
	2Bh	alert	any_motion	counter_HG		counter_LG		enable_HG	enable_LG		control	0 0 0 0 0 1 1b
	24h to 2Ah									not used	NA	
	23h									BST reserved	NA	
	22h									BST reserved	NA	
	21h									BST reserved	NA	
20h									BST reserved	NA		
1Fh									BST reserved	NA		
1Eh									BST reserved	NA		
1Dh	offset_T								trimming	NA		
1Ch	offset_z								trimming	NA		
1Bh	offset_y								trimming	NA		
1Ah	offset_x								trimming	NA		
19h	offset_T				gain_T				trimming	NA		
18h	offset_z				gain_z				trimming	NA		
17h	offset_y				gain_y				trimming	NA		
16h	offset_x				gain_x				trimming	NA		
Operational Registers	15h	SPI4	enable_adv_INT	new_data_INT	latch_INT	shadow_dis	wake_up_pause	wake_up			control	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0b
	14h	reserved			range<1:0>		bandwidth<2:0>				control	xxx 01 110b
	13h	customer_reserved 2 <7:0>									status	13
	12h	customer_reserved 1 <7:0>									status	162
	11h	any_motion_dur		HG_hyst<2:0>		LG_hyst<2:0>					settings	00 000 000b
	10h	any_motion_thres<7:0>									settings	0
	0Fh	HG_dur<7:0>									settings	150
	0Eh	HG_thres<7:0>									settings	160
	0Dh	LG_dur<7:0>									settings	150
	0Ch	LG_thres<7:0>									settings	20
	0Bh	alert	any_motion	counter_HG		counter_LG		enable_HG	enable_LG		control	0 0 0 0 0 1 1b
	0Ah	reserved	reset_INT	update_image	ee_w	self_test_1	self_test_0	soft_reset	sleep		control	x 0 0 0 0 0 0 0b
	09h	st_result	not used		alert_phase	LG_latched	HG_latched	status_LG	status_HG		status	NA
	08h	temp<7:0>									data	NA
	07h	acc_z<9:2> (msb)									data	NA
	06h	acc_z<1:0> (lsb)		unused				new_data_z			data	NA
	05h	acc_y<9:2> (msb)									data	NA
	04h	acc_y<1:0> (lsb)		unused				new_data_y			data	NA
	03h	acc_x<9:2> (msb)									data	NA
	02h	acc_x<1:0> (lsb)		unused				new_data_x			data	NA
	01h	al_version<3:0>				ml_version<3:0>					data	NA
	00h	unused				chip_id<2:0>					data	---- 010b

EEPROM

Image

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**Important notes:**


1) Bits 5, 6 and 7 of register addresses 14h and 34h do contain critical sensor individual calibration data which must not be changed or deleted by any means.

In order to properly modify addresses 14h and/or 34h for range and/or bandwidth selection using bits 0, 1, 2, 3 and 4, it is highly recommended to read-out the complete byte, perform bit-slicing and write back the complete byte with unchanged bits 5, 6 and 7.

Otherwise the reported acceleration data may show incorrect results.

2) Bit 7 of register 0Ah should be left at a value of "0".

3) A minimum pause of 14msec. between two consecutive EEPROM write-cycles must be kept.

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### 3.1 Operational registers

#### 3.1.1 SPI4

The SPI4 bit (address 15h, bit 7) is used to select the correct SPI protocol (three-wire or four-wire, SPI-mode 3). The default value stored in the non-volatile part of the memory is SPI4=1 (four-wire SPI is default value !). After power on reset or soft reset or writing to EEPROM the SPI4 EEPROM setting (35h) is downloaded to the image register SPI4 and the corresponding SPI protocol is selected.

If the desired SPI is three-wire, the microcontroller must first write SPI4 to 0 (in image register only or in EEPROM). This first writing is possible because only CSB, SCK and SDI are required for a write sequence and the 3 bit timing diagrams are identical in three-wire and four-wire configuration.

Since EEPROM has limited write cycle lifetime (minimum 1000 cycles specified) it is recommended to use one of the following procedures.

Procedure 1 (recommended): Set SPI4 in image to correct value (SPI4=0 for SPI three-wire, SPI4=1 for SPI four-wire (=default)) every time after power on reset, soft reset or EEPROM write command.

Procedure 2: Verify chip-ID (address 00h) after every power on reset, soft reset or EEPROM write command to be chip\_ID=02h. If chip\_ID=FFh or chip\_ID=00h unlock EEPROM (section 3.3.3) and set SPI4 to correct interface in EEPROM at 35h. Lock EEPROM. Optionally verify chip\_ID after delay of >30ms.

Procedure 3: Set SPI4 once to correct interface in the EEPROM at 35h during final test procedure at customer.

#### 3.1.2 Range


These two bits (address 14h, bits 4 and 3) are used to select the full scale acceleration range. Directly after changing the full scale range it takes  $1/(2 \cdot \text{bandwidth})$  to overwrite the data registers with filtered data according to the selected bandwidth.

**Table 3:** Settings of full scale range register

range<1:0>	Full scale acceleration range
00	+/- 2g
01	+/- 4g
10	+/- 8g
11	Not authorised code

**Important note:**

Please refer to the comment in chapter 3 of how to protect bits 5, 6 and 7 when modifying other bits of register 14h.

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### 3.1.3 Bandwidth

These three bits (address 14h, bits 2-0) are used to setup the digital filtering of ADC output data to obtain the desired bandwidth. A second order analogue filter defines the max. bandwidth to 1.5kHz. Digital filters can be activated to reduce the bandwidth down to 25Hz in order to reduce signal noise. The digital filters are moving average filters of various length with a refresh rate of 3kHz.

Since the bandwidth is reduced by a digital filter for the factor  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ , ... of the analogue filter frequency of 1.5kHz the mean values of the bandwidth are slightly deviating from the rounded nominal values. Table 4 shows the corresponding data:

**Table 4:** Settings of bandwidth

bandwidth<2:0>	Nominal selected bandwidth [Hz]	Min.	Mean bandwidth[Hz]	Max.
000	25	-10%	23	+10%
001	50		47	
010	100		94	
011	190		188	
100	375		375	
101	750		750	
110	1500		1500	
111	Not authorised code	-	-	-

At wake-up from sleep mode to normal operation, the bandwidth is set to its maximum value and then reduced to bandwidth setting as soon as enough ADC samples are available to fill the whole digital filter.


Important note:

Please refer to the comment in chapter 3 of how to protect bits 5, 6 and 7 when modifying other bits of register 14h.

### 3.1.4 Wake\_up

This bit (address 15h, bit 0) makes BMA150 automatically switching from sleep mode to normal mode after the delay defined by wake\_up\_pause (section 3.1.5). When the sensor IC goes from sleep to normal mode, it starts acceleration acquisition and performs interrupt verification (section 3.2). The sensor IC automatically switches back from normal to sleep mode again if no fulfilment of programmed interrupt criteria has been detected. The IC wakes-up for a minimum duration which depends on the number of required valid acceleration data to determine if an interrupt should be generated.

If a latched interrupt is generated, this can be used to wake-up a microprocessor. The sensor IC will wait for a reset\_INT command and restart interrupt verification. BMA150 can not go back to sleep mode if reset\_INT is not issued after a latched interrupt.

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If a not-latched interrupt is generated, the device waits in the normal mode till the interrupt condition disappears. The minimum duration of interrupt activation is 330µs. If no interrupt is generated, the sensor IC goes to sleep mode for a defined time (wake\_up\_pause).

For more details on the wake-up functionality, please refer to chapter 7.3

### 3.1.5 Wake\_up\_pause

These bits (address 15h, bit 2 and 1) define the sleep phase duration between each automatic wake-up.


**Table 5:** Settings of wake\_up\_pause

wake_up_pause<1:0>	Sleep phase duration
00	20 ms
01	80 ms
10	320 ms
11	2560 ms

Note: The accuracy of the wake-up timer is about ±30%.

### 3.1.6 Shadow\_dis

BMA150 provides the possibility to block the update of data MSB while LSB are read out. This avoids a potential mixing of LSB and MSB of successive conversion cycles. When this bit (address 15h, bit 3) is at 1, the blocking procedure for MSB is not realized and MSB only reading is possible.

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### 3.2 Interrupt settings

Five different types of interrupts can be programmed. When the corresponding criterion becomes valid, the interrupt pin is triggered to a high level. All interrupt criteria are combined and drive the interrupt pad with an Boolean <OR> condition.

Interrupt generations may be disturbed by changes of EEPROM, image or other control bits because some of these bits influence the interrupt calculation. As a consequence, no write sequence should occur when microprocessor is triggered by interrupt or the interrupt should be deactivated on the microprocessor side when write sequences are operated.

Interrupt criteria are using digital code coming from digital filter output. As a consequence all thresholds are scaled with range selection (section 3.1.3.2). Timings used for high acceleration and low acceleration debouncing are absolute values (1 LSB of HG\_dur and LG\_dur registers corresponds to 1 millisecond, timing accuracy is proportional to oscillator accuracy = +/-10%), thus it does not depend on selected bandwidth. Timings used for any motion interrupt and alert detection are proportional to bandwidth settings (section 3.1.3).

#### 3.2.1 Enable\_LG:

This bit (address 0Bh, bit 0) enables the LG\_thres criteria to generate an interrupt.

#### 3.2.2 Enable\_HG:

This bit (address 0Bh, bit 1) enables the HG\_thres criteria to generate an interrupt.

#### 3.2.3 Enable\_adv\_INT:


This bit (address 15h, bit 6) is used to disable advanced interrupt control bits (any\_motion, alert). If enable\_adv\_INT=0, writing to these bits has no effect on sensor IC function.

#### 3.2.4 Any\_motion:

This bit ((address 0Bh, bit 6)enables the any motion criteria to generate directly an interrupt. It can not be turned on simultaneously with alert. This bit can be masked by enable\_adv\_INT, the value of this bit is ignored when enable\_adv\_INT=0 (section 3.2.3).

#### 3.2.5 Alert:

If this bit (address 0Bh, bit 7) is at 1, the any\_motion criterion will set BMA150 into alert mode (section 3.2.9). This bit can be masked by enable\_adv\_INT, the value of this bit is ignored when enable\_adv\_INT=0 (section 3.2.3).

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### 3.2.6 Latch\_INT:

If this bit (address 15h, bit 4) is at 1, interrupts are latched. The INT pad stays high until microprocessor detects it and writes reset\_INT control bit to 1 (section 3.3.1). When this bit is at 0, interrupts are set and reset directly by BMA150 according to programmable criteria (sections 3.2.7 and 3.2.8).

### 3.2.7 LG\_thres, LG\_hyst, LG\_dur, counter\_LG

LG\_thres (address 0C, bits 7-0 / low-g threshold) and LG\_hyst (address 11h, bits 2-0 / low-g threshold hysteresis) are used to detect a free fall. The threshold and duration codes define one criterion for interrupt generation when absolute value of acceleration is low for long enough duration.

Data format is unsigned integer.

LG\_thres criterion\_x is true if  $|acc\_x| \leq LG\_thres / 255 * range$

LG\_thres interrupt is set if  $(LG\_thres\ criterion\_x\ AND\ LG\_thres\ criterion\_y\ AND\ LG\_thres\ criterion\_z) AND\ interrupt\ counter = (LG\_dur+1)$

LG\_thres criterion\_x is false if  $|acc\_x| > (LG\_thres + 32*LG\_hyst) / 255 * range$

LG\_thres interrupt is reset if  $NOT(LG\_thres\ criterion\_x\ AND\ LG\_thres\ criterion\_y\ AND\ LG\_thres\ criterion\_z)$

LG\_thres and LG\_hyst codes must be chosen to have  $(LG\_thres + 32*LG\_hyst) < 511$ .

When LG\_thres criterion becomes active, an interrupt counter is incremented by 1 LSB/ms. When the low-g interrupt counter value equals (LG\_dur+1), an interrupt is generated. Depending on counter\_LG (address 0Bh, bit 3 and 2) register, the counter could also be reset or count down when LG\_thres criterion is false.

**Table 6:** Description of debouncing counter counter\_LG

counter_LG<1:0>	low acceleration interrupt counter status when LG_thres criteria is false
<b>00</b>	reset
<b>01</b>	Count down by 1 LSB/ms
<b>10</b>	Count down by 2 LSB/ms
<b>11</b>	Count down by 3 LSB/ms

If latch\_INT=0, the interrupt is not a latched interrupt and then it is reset as soon as LG\_thres criteria becomes false. When interrupt occurs, the interrupt counter is reset.

The LG\_thres criteria is set with an AND condition on all three axes to be used for free fall detection.



### 3.2.8 HG\_thres, HG\_hyst, HG\_dur, counter\_HG

HG\_thres (address 0Eh, bits 7-0 / high-g threshold) and HG\_hyst (address 11h, bits 5-3 / high-g threshold hysteresis) define the high-G level and its associated hysteresis. HG\_dur (high-g threshold qualification duration) and counter\_HG (address 0Bh, bits 5 and 4 / high-g counter down register) are used for debouncing the high-g criteria.

Threshold and duration codes define a criterion for interrupt generation when absolute value of acceleration is high for long enough duration.

The data format is unsigned integer.

HG\_threshold criterion\_x is true if  $|acc\_x| \geq HG\_thres / 255 * range$

HG\_threshold interrupt is set if  $(HG\_thres\_criterion\_x \text{ OR } HG\_thres\_criterion\_y \text{ OR } HG\_thres\_criterion\_z) \text{ AND } interrupt\ counter = (HG\_dur+1)$

HG\_threshold criterion\_x is false if  $|acc\_x| < (HG\_thres - 32*HG\_hyst) / 255 * range$

HG\_threshold interrupt is reset if  $NOT(HG\_thres\_criterion\_x \text{ OR } HG\_thres\_criterion\_y \text{ OR } HG\_thres\_criterion\_z)$


HG\_thres and HG\_hyst codes must be chosen to have  $(HG\_thres - 32*HG\_hyst) > 0$ .

When HG\_thres criterion becomes active, a counter is incremented by 1 LSB/ms. When the high-g acceleration interrupt counter value equals (HG\_dur+1), an interrupt is generated. Depending on counter\_HG register value, the counter could also be reset or count down when HG\_thres criterion is false.

**Table 7:** Description of debouncing counter\_HG

counter_HG<1:0>	High acceleration interrupt counter status when HG_thres criterion is false
00	reset
01	Count down by 1 LSB/ms
10	Count down by 2 LSB/ms
11	Count down by 3 LSB/ms

If latch\_INT=0, the interrupt is not a latched interrupt and then it is reset as soon as HG\_thres criterion becomes false. When interrupt occurs, the interrupt counter is reset.

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### 3.2.9 Any\_motion\_thres, any\_motion\_dur

For the evaluation using “any motion” criterion successive acceleration data from digital filter output are stored and moving differences for all axes are built. To calculate the difference the acceleration values of all axes at time t0 are compared to values at t0+3/(2\*bandwidth). The difference of both values is equal to the difference of two successive moving averages (from three data points).

The differential value is compared to a global critical threshold any\_motion\_thres (address 10h, bits 7-0). Interrupt can be generated when the absolute value of measured difference is higher than the programmed threshold for long enough duration defined by any\_motion\_dur (address 11h, bits 7 and 6).

Any\_motion\_thres and any\_motion\_dur data are unsigned integer. Any\_motion\_thres LSB size corresponds to 15.6mg for +/- 2g range and scales with range selection (section 3.1.2).

Any motion criterion is valid if  $|\text{acc}(t_0) - \text{acc}(t_0 + 3/(2 * \text{bandwidth}))| \geq \text{any\_motion\_thres}$ .

An interrupt is set if (any motion criterion\_x OR any motion criterion\_y OR any motion criterion\_z) for any\_motion\_dur consecutive times.

The any motion interrupt is reset if NOT(any\_motion criterion\_x OR any\_motion criterion\_y OR any\_motion criterion\_z) for any\_motion\_dur consecutive times.

**Table 8:** any\_motion\_dur settings

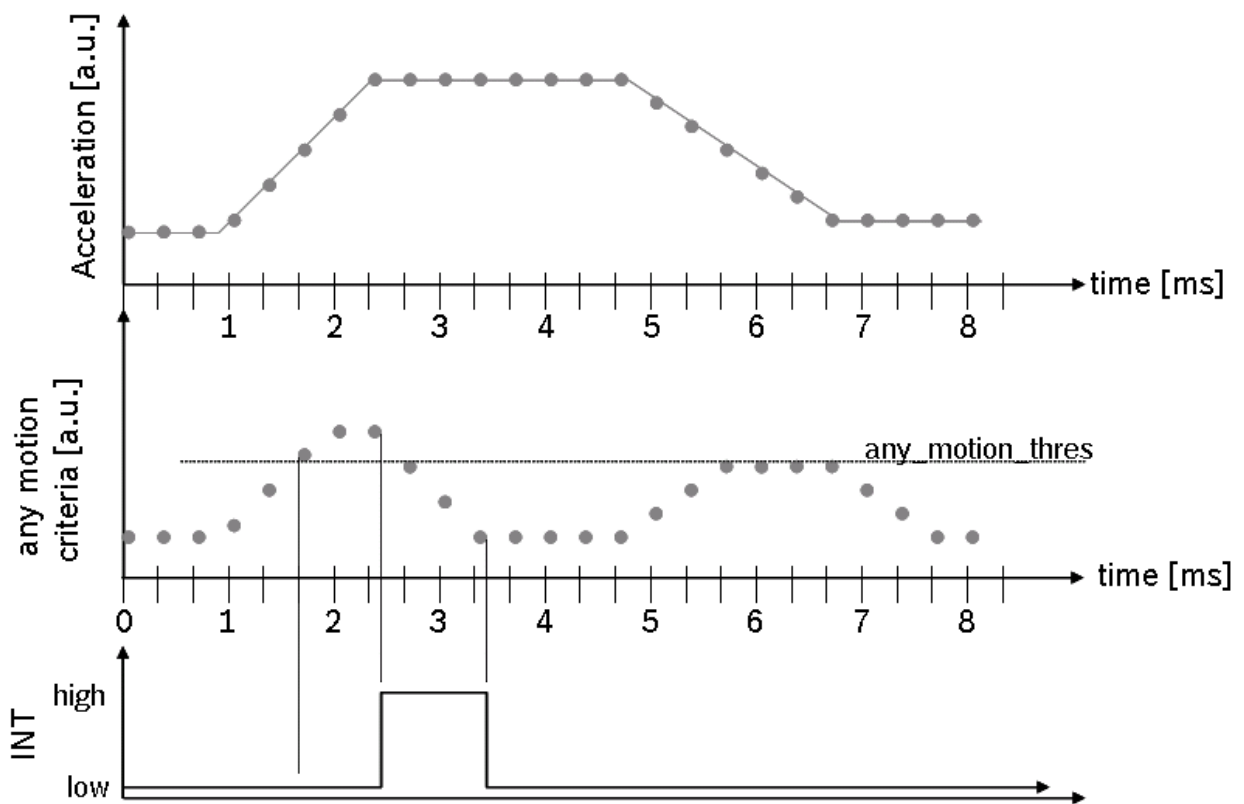
any_motion_dur<1:0>	Number of required consecutive conditions to set or reset the any motion interrupt
00	1
01	3
10	5
11	7

Any\_motion\_dur is used to filter the motion profile and also to define a minimum interrupt duration because the reset condition is also filtered.

Any\_motion\_thres can be used to generate an any\_motion interrupt or to put BMA150 in alert mode to preload the low-g or high-g threshold logic (enables reduction of reaction time in tumbling mode); this is selected by alert bit (section 3.2.5). These two modes (any\_motion and alert) can not be turned on simultaneously.

**Figure 2:** Any motion criterion (middle graph) is determined from digital filter output (upper graph) and depends on bandwidth settings: for example for any\_motion\_dur=01b and bandwidth=110b (1.5kHz), we have  $2 \cdot \text{bandwidth} = 3 \text{ksamples/s}$  which leads to reaction for interrupt activation of  $3 \cdot 333 \mu\text{s} = 1 \text{ms}$  and a minimum any motion interrupt duration of  $3 \cdot 333 \mu\text{s} = 1 \text{ms}$  (see lower graph).

If lower bandwidth is selected i) the digitally filtered values (lower noise) are taken for the verification of the any motion criterion and ii) the time scale to evaluate the criterion is stretched. Thus adjusting the bandwidth, the any motion threshold, the any motion duration as well as the full scale range enables to tailor the sensitivity of the any motion algorithm.



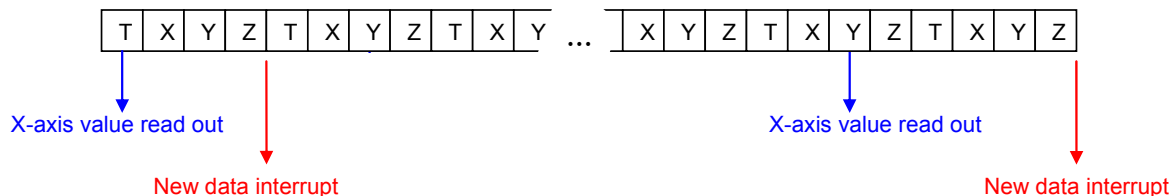
### 3.2.10 New\_data\_int

If this bit (address 15h, bit 5) is set to 1, an interrupt will be generated when all three axes acceleration values are new, i.e. BMA150 updated all acceleration values after latest serial read-out. Interrupt generated from new data detection is a latched one; microcontroller has to write reset\_INT at 1 after interrupt has been detected high (section 3.3.1). This interrupt is also reset by any acceleration byte read procedure (read access to address 02h to 07h).

New data interrupt always occurs at the end of the Z-axis value update in the output register (3kHz rate). Following figure shows two examples of X-axis read out and the corresponding interrupt generation.


**Figure 3:** Explanation of new data interrupt.

- left side - read out command of x-axis prior to next x-axis conversion  
→ new data interrupt after completion of current conversion cycle after z-axis conversion
- right side - read out of x-axis send after x-axis conversion  
→ new data interrupt at the end of next period when x axis has been updated



Please refer to chapter 8.1 for more details.

Note: When using the I<sup>2</sup>C interface for data transfer, the data read out phase can be longer than 330μs (depending on I<sup>2</sup>C clock frequency and the amount of data transmitted). Starting a new data read out sequence may lead to the situation that the new\_data\_int may not be cleared right in time. This must be considered and taken care of properly.

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### 3.3 Control registers

All single control bits are active at 1.

#### 3.3.1 Reset\_INT

This interrupt (address 0Ah, bit 6) is reset (interrupt pad goes to low) each time this bit is written to 1.

#### 3.3.2 Update\_image

When this bit (address 0Ah, bit 5) is set at 1, an image update procedure is started: all EEPROM content is copied to image registers. The bit update\_image is turned at 0 when the procedure is finished. No write or read to image registers and EEPROM write is allowed during their update from EEPROM. An automatic update image procedure also occurs after power on reset and after soft\_reset has been written to 1.

The update\_image procedure may overwrite the SPI4 setting (section 3.1.1). Thus the correct interface configuration may have to be updated.

#### 3.3.3 Ee\_w


ee\_w (address 0Ah, bit 4) is used to enable/disable the access to default setting registers.

This bit must first be written to 1 to enable write access to 16h to 3D and to enable read access to 16h to 22h. When this bit is at 0, any access to addresses from 16h to 7Fh has no effect; any read to these addresses set SDO to tri-state (4-wire SPI) or SDI to tri-state (3-wire SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C). This is valid for all serial interface (I<sup>2</sup>C, SPI 3-wire or SPI 4-wire).

I<sup>2</sup>C acknowledgement procedure for access to non-protected or blocked memory regions:

- I<sup>2</sup>C slave address: if correct, the BMA150 sets acknowledge.
- I<sup>2</sup>C register address (I<sup>2</sup>C write): The BMA150 sets acknowledge for both unprotected and protected registers.
- I<sup>2</sup>C write data (I<sup>2</sup>C write): The BMA150 sets acknowledge for both unprotected and protected registers; no write is done for protected register.
- I<sup>2</sup>C read data (I<sup>2</sup>C read): acknowledge is set by master; no error detection is possible; SDI is set to Hi-Z for protected register (0xFF is sent)

After power on reset ee\_w=0. So EEPROM and all addresses from 16h to 7Fh can not be directly written or read.

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### 3.3.4 Selftest\_0

The self-test command (address 0Ah, bit 2) uses electrostatic forces to move the MEMS common electrode. The result from selftest can be verified by reading st\_result (section 3.4.1). During selftest procedurno external change of the acceleration should be generated.

### 3.3.5 Selftest\_1

This self test bit (address 0Ah, bit3) does not generate any electrostatic force in the MEMS element but is used to verify the interrupt function is working correctly and that microprocessor is able to react to the interrupts.

0g acceleration is emulated at ADC input and the user can detect the whole logic path for interrupt, including the PCB path integrity. The LG\_thres register must be set to about 0.4g while LG\_dur = 0 to generate a low-g interrupt

### 3.3.6 Soft\_reset

BMA150 is reset each time this bit (address 0Ah, bit 1) is written to 1. The effect is identical to power-on reset. Control, status and image registers are reset to values stored in the EEPROM. After soft\_reset or power-on reset BMA150 comes up in normal mode or wake-up mode. It is not possible to boot BMA150 to sleep mode.


No serial transaction should occur within 10us after soft\_reset command.

The soft\_reset procedure may overwrite the SPI4 setting (section 3.1.1). Thus the correct interface configuration may have to be updated.

### 3.3.7 Sleep

This bit (address 0Ah, bit 0) turns the sensor IC in sleep mode. Control and image registers are not cleared.

When BMA150 is in sleep mode no operation can be performed but wake-up the sensor IC by setting sleep=0 or soft\_reset. As a consequence all write and read operations are forbidden when the sensor IC is in sleep mode except command used to wake up the device or soft\_reset command. After sleep mode removal, it takes 1ms to obtain stable acceleration values (>99% data integrity). User must wait for 10ms before first EEPROM write. For the same reason, BMA150 must not be turned in sleep mode when any update\_image, self\_test or EEPROM write procedure is on going.

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### 3.4 Status registers

#### 3.4.1 St\_result

This is the self test result bit (address 09h, bit 7). It can be used together with selftest\_0 control bit (section 3.3.4). After selftest\_0 has been set, self-test procedure starts. At the end selftest\_0 is written to 0 and microcontroller can react by reading st\_result bit. When st\_result=1 the self test passed successfully.

The result of the st\_result can be taken into account to evaluate the basic function of the sensor. Note: Evaluation of the st\_result bit should only be understood as one part of a wider functionality test. It should not be taken into consideration as the only criterion.

#### 3.4.2 Alert\_phase

This status bit (address 09h, bit 4) is set when BMA150 has been set to alert mode (section 3.2.5) and an any motion criterion has been detected. During alert phase, HG\_dur and LG\_dur variables are decreased to have a smaller reaction time when HG\_thres and LG\_thres thresholds are crossed; the decrease rate is by 1 ms per ms.

The alert mode is reset when an interrupt generated due to a high threshold or a low threshold event or when both HG\_dur and LG\_dur variables are at 0. When alert is reset, HG\_dur and LG\_dur variables come back to their original values stored in image registers.

#### 3.4.3 LG\_latched, HG\_latched

These status bits (address 09h, bit 3 and address 09h, bit 2) are set when the corresponding criteria have been issued. They are latched and thus only the microcontroller can reset them. When both high acceleration and low acceleration thresholds are enabled, these bits can be used by microprocessor to detect which criteria generated the interrupt.


#### 3.4.4 Status\_LG, status\_HG

These status bits (address 09h, bit 1 and address 09h, bit 2) are set when the corresponding criteria have been issued; they are automatically reset by BMA150 when the criteria disappear.

#### 3.4.5 Customer\_reserved 1, customer\_reserved 2

Both bytes (address 12h, bit 7-0 and address 13h, bit 7-0) can be used by customer. Writing or reading of these registers has no effect on the sensor IC functionality.

If information has to be stored in a non-volatile memory addresses 32h and 33h have to be used. The write access to EEPROM takes ca. 30ms. Since EEPROM has limited write cycle lifetime special care has to be taken to this issue.

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### 3.5 Data registers

#### 3.5.1 Temp

A thermometer (address 08h, bit 7-0) is embedded in BMA150. Temperature resolution is 0.5°C/LSB. Code 00h stands for lowest temperature which is -30°C. This minimum value can be corrected by trimming of the offset of the temperature sensor IC (not described in this datasheet).

#### 3.5.2 Acc\_x, acc\_y, acc\_z

Acceleration values are stored in the following registers to be read out through serial interface.

**acc\_x** (02h, 7-6; 03h, 7-0)

**acc\_y** (04h, 7-6; 05h, 7-0)

**acc\_z** (06h, 7-6; 07h, 7-0)

The description of the digital signals acc\_x, acc\_y and acc\_z is “2’s complement”.

From negative to positive accelerations, the following sequence for the ±2g measurement range can be observed (±4g and ±8g correspondingly):

-2.000g	:	10 0000 0000
-1.996g	:	10 0000 0001
...		
-0.004g	:	11 1111 1111
0.000g	:	:00 0000 0000
+0.004g	:	00 0000 0001
...		
+1.992g	:	01 1111 1110
+1.996g	:	01 1111 1111


Data is periodically updated (rate 3kHz) with values from the digital filter output. LSB acceleration bytes must be read first. After an acceleration LSB byte read access, the corresponding MSB byte update can optionally be blocked until it is also accessed for read. Thus, MSB / LSB mix from different samples can be avoided (section 3.1.6).

It is not possible to read-out only MSB bytes if shadow\_dis=0, an LSB byte must first be read out. To be able to read out only MSB byte, shadow\_dis must be written to 1.

new\_data\_\* flags on bits 0 of acc\_x (LSB), acc\_y (LSB) and acc\_z (LSB) can be used to detect if acceleration values have already been read out (section 3.5.3).

If systematic acceleration values read out is planned (for signal processing by the microcontroller), the interrupt pad can be programmed to flag the new data (section 3.2.10). Every time all temperature plus three axes values have been updated, the interrupt goes high and microcontroller can read out data. With this method, microcontroller accesses are synchronized with internal sensor IC updates.



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Synchronization of read-out sequence has several advantages:

- it enables a constant phase shift between acceleration conversion and its corresponding digital value read by microprocessor
- it reduces interface communication by avoiding over-sampling.
- potential noise due to serial interface activity perturbation would always be generated during a less critical phase of the conversion cycle. The maximum delay advised to start read out acceleration data is 20µs after INT high (window 0 - 80µs).


### 3.5.3 New\_data\_x, new\_data\_y, new\_data\_z

These bits (New\_data\_x (02h, 0), new\_data\_y (04h, 0), new\_data\_z (06h, 0)) are flags which are turned at 1 when acceleration registers have been updated. Reading acceleration data MSB or LSB registers turns the flags at 0. The flag value can be read by microprocessor.

### 3.5.4 Al\_version, ml\_version, chip\_id

al\_version (address 01h, bit 7-4) and ml\_version (address 01h, bit 3-0) are used to identify the chip revision. These codes are programmed with metal layer.

chip\_id (address 00h, bit 2-0) is used by customer to be able to recognize BMA150. This code is fixed to 010b.

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## 4. Digital interface

BMA150 is capable to be adjusted to customer's specific hardware requirements. It provides three different digital interfaces (SPI 4-wire, SPI 3-wire, I<sup>2</sup>C) and an interrupt output pin.

The digital interface is used for regular reading of data registers (acceleration and temperature). For a complete read out of acceleration data two successive read cycles are required. The 10 bit coded data word is split into 8 MSB and 2 LSB. The most significant bit (MSB) is transferred first during address and data phases.

The serial interface is also used for verifying status registers or writing to control registers or customized EEPROM programming.

### 4.1 SPI

The SPI interfaces using three wire or four wire bus provide 16-bit protocols. Multiple read out is possible.

The communication is opened with a read/write control bit (R/W=0 for writing, R/W=1 for reading) followed by 7 address bits and at least 8 data bits (see figure 6 and figure 7). For a complete readout of 10 bit acceleration data from all axes the sensor IC provides the option to use an automatic incremented read command to read more than one byte (multiple read). This is activated when the serial enable pin CSB (chip select) stays active low after the read out of a data register. Thus, read out of data LSB will also cause read out of MSB if the CSB stays low for further 8 cycles of system clock.

The customer has the possibility to communicate with operational registers at addresses 00h-15h via SPI interface (chip identification Bytes, data Bytes, status and control registers with setting parameters). Access to the residual part of the memory map is locked (section 3.3.3). If the master addresses outside the range 00h-15h then SDI will go to tri-state enabling the communication of a second device on the same CSB and SDI line.

The CSB input has an internal 120kΩ pull-up resistor to V<sub>DDIO</sub>.

#### 4.1.1 Four-wire SPI interface

The 4-wire SPI is the default serial interface. The customer can easily activate the 3-wire SPI by writing a control bit (SPI4=0). The 4-wire SPI interface uses SCK (serial clock), CSB (chip select), SDI (serial data in) and SDO (serial data out).

CSB is active low. Data on SDI is latched by BMA150 at SCK rising edge and SDO is changed at SCK falling edge (SPI mode 3). Communication starts when CSB goes to low and stops when CSB goes to high; during these transitions on CSB, SCK must be high. While CSB=1, no SDI change is allowed when SCK=1.