

FSM-IMX477 Preliminary Datasheet

Sony IMX477-AAPK Sensor Module

FRAMOS Sensor Module

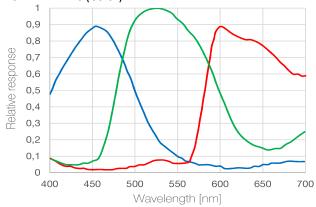




Key Benefits & Features:

- 12.3 Mpx Sony CMOS Rolling Shutter sensor module, ready to embed!
- All FSMs are part of a rapid prototyping ecosystem, consisting of:
 - Adapters to various processing boards
 - Design sources for deep embedding
 - Various accessories and design in services

FSM-IMX477C (Color):



Specification					
Model Name	FSM-IMX477C (V1B)				
Image Sensor					
Vendor / Name	Sony IMX477-AAPK				
Shutter Type	CMOS Rolling Shutter				
Chromaticity	Color				
Optical Format	1/2.3"				
Pixel Size	1.55 x 1.55 μm				
Max. Resolution	12.3 Mpx / 4056 x 3040 px				
Framerate (max.)	60 FPS (at full resolution)				
Bit Depth(s)	8 / 10 / 12 bit				

Interface	
Data Interface	MIPI CSI-2 (2 / 4 Lane)
Communication Interface	I ² C (CCI)
Drive Frequency(s)	6 to 27 MHz
Input Voltages	1.05V, 1.8V, 2.8V
Interface Connector	Hirose DF40C-60DP-0.4V(51)
EEPROM (Sensor ID)	Yes

Mechanical	
Dimensions (HxWxD)	26.5 mm x 26.5 mm x 4.41 mm

Environmental							
Operating Temperature	-20°C to +75°C (function) -20°C to +60°C (performance)						
Storage Temperature	-30°C to +80°C						
Ambient Humidity	20% to 95% RH, non condensing						

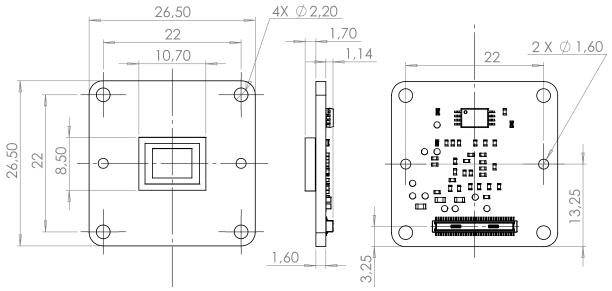
Software Support	
Driver	V4L2 Based Device Driver
Supported Platform(s)	NVIDIA Jetson Family: AGX Xavier, Nano, TX2, Xavier NX
Software Version(s)	NVIDIA JP4.4 / L4T32.4.3

Suggested Accessories & Adapters							
Flex-Cable, 150 mm	FMA-FC-150/60						
Lens Mounts:	M12 or C/CS-Mount options						

A matrix with compatible Sensor Adapters (FSA) and Processor Board Adapters (FPA) for single- and multi-sensor setups can be found separately at the end of this document.



Mechanical Drawing

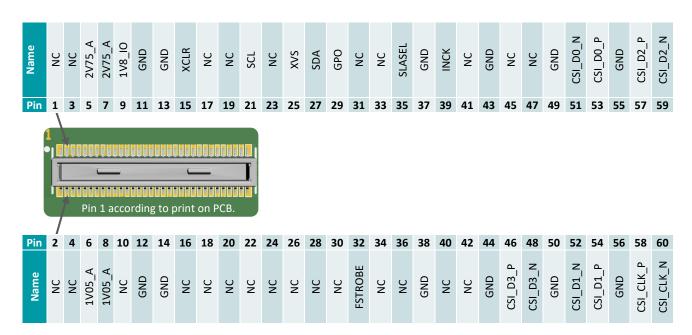


Sensor image optical center is in mechanical board center.

Connector Pinout

Type: Hirose DF40C-60DP-0.4V(51)

Mating Type: Hirose DF40HC(4.0)-60DS-0.4V(51)



Signals are routed directly from image sensor to connector. Details on specific signals are described in the respective image sensor datasheet.

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1 FRAMOS Sensor Module Ecosystem

The FSM Ecosystem consists of FRAMOS Sensor Modules, Adapters, Software and Sources, and provides one coherent solution supporting the whole process of integrating image sensors into embedded vision products.

During the evaluation and proof-of-concept phase, off-the-shelf sensor modules with a versatile adapter framework allow the connection of latest image sensor technology to open processing platforms, like the NVIDIA Jetson Family or the 96boards.org standard. Reference drivers and sample applications deliver images immediately after installation, supporting V4L2 and an optional derivate API providing comfortable integration. Within the development phase, electrical design references and driver sources guide with a solid and proven baseline to quickly port into individual system designs and extend scope, while decreasing risk and efforts.

To simplify and relieve the whole supply chain, all FRAMOS Sensor Modules and adapters are optimized and ready for delivery in volume and customization with pre-configured lens holder, lens and further accessories.

Off-the-Shelf Hardware

- FRAMOS Sensor Modules (FSM) from stock, ready for evaluation and optimized for initial mass production.
- Versatile adapter framework, allowing flexible testing of different modules, on different processing boards:
 - FRAMOS Sensor Adapter (FSA):
 Everything the specific sensor needs for operation
 - FRAMOS Processor Adapter (FPA):
 Connect up to four FSM + FSA to a specific processor board
- From lenses, mechanics and cables, all needed imaging accessories from one hand

Ready to go Software Package

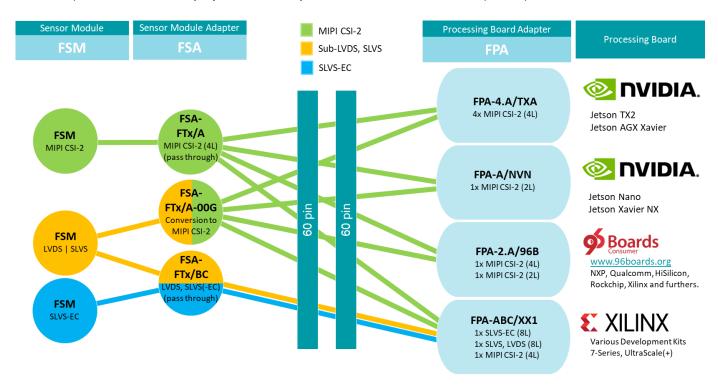
- Drivers with basic sensor integration:
 - Platform specific device drivers
 - V4L2 subdevice drivers for specific image sensors (low-level C API)
- Streamlined V4L2 library (LibSV) with comfortable and generic C/C++ API
- Example applications demonstrating initialization, main configuration and image stream processing

Further to the off-the-shelf hard- and software, the Ecosystem supports you on project basis with:

- Driver sources allowing the focus on application specific scope and sensor features
- Electrical references for FSA and FPA, supporting quick and optimized embedding of FSMs
- Engineering services via FRAMOS and its partners, allowing you to focus on your product's unique value

1.1 Ecosystem Overview

The figure below shows a map of compatibility with all components inside the Ecosystem. Every element (or hardware) and connection displayed in Green operates with native MIPI CSI-2 (D-PHY) data.



Every component and connection displayed in Orange or Blue operates with proprietary (Sub-LVDS, SLVS) or standardized (SLVS-EC) LVDS data, that requires further attention to the physical processing of the image data by either data conversion or specific FPGA IP. Users of MIPI CSI-2 based processing systems are supported by FSM specific data conversion located on dedicated FRAMOS Sensor Adapters (FSAs).

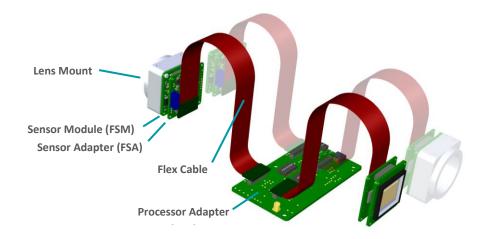


Figure 1: Assembly of a typical Sensor Module Development Kit

Specification and compatibility of all individual components are listed in the appropriate chapter of the full datasheet. Access to software and drivers is only granted with the purchase of the appropriate development kit. Electrical design sources, support and services are provided on individual basis, they are not part of the development kit or component purchase.

1.2 Materials and Services

Below you can find a list of materials and services as part of the FRAMOS Sensor Module Ecosystem.

Hardware

- FRAMOS Sensor Module Development Kits
- Individual Parts:
 - FRAMOS Sensor Modules
 - FRAMOS Sensor Adapters
 - FRAMOS Processor Adapters
 - FRAMOS Module Accessories (Cables, Mounts)

Software (part of the Development Kit)

- Software Package for NVIDIA Jetson AGX Xavier, Nano, TX2 and Xavier NX
- Software Package for DragonBoard 410c (96Boards)
- Xilinx FPGA reference implementation for SLVS-EC (Sony IMX421, IMX530)

Design Sources

- Software Driver Sources
- Electrical References for FSA, FPA (Schematics)

Design Services

- Off-the-shelf hardware customization including size, shape, connector and extended functionality
- Software customization and extension
 - Additional processor board support
 - Further sensor features and image (pre-)processing
- Integration of additional sensors
- Optimization for volume production
- Lens assembly and alignment
- System / solution development
- Production and integration

2 Software Package and Drivers

As FRAMOS we know that the getting started with a new technology is the biggest challenge. The idea behind the Software Package is to enable embedded software engineers to get quickly to a streaming system and provide at the same time all tools that are needed to extend and adapt it according the individual needs of the application.

What the software package and driver are:

- A reference for a custom sensor implementation
- Demonstrating how to use the required interfaces
- Demonstrating how to communicate with the image sensor
- Demonstrating how to generally initialize and configure the image sensor
- Provide initial image streaming output to the user space
- Demonstrating how to run basic image processing on pixel data

What it is not:

- A fully featured camera implementation not all sensors features might be implemented
- Ready to be use in the field
- A benchmark for the capabilities of the image sensor
- Focused on image processing

Supported Processor Platforms

The table below shows which platforms are supported by the standard driver package, and how many FSMs can at maximum be operated in parallel.

Sensor Module	NVIDIA Jetson TX2	NVIDIA AGX Xavier	NVIDIA Jetson Nano, Xavier NX	DragonBoard 410c	96Boards Consumer Edition	Xilinx Development Boards		
FSM-AR0144	4	1	2					
FSM-AR0521	4	1	2	2				
FSM-AR1335	4	1	2					
FSM-HDP230	4	4	2					
FSM-IMX264	2	4	-					
FSM-IMX283	2	4	-					
FSM-IMX290	4	1	2	2				
FSM-IMX296	4	1	2	2				
FSM-IMX297	4	1	2		LIM only drive	or dovolopmont		
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FSM-IMX327	4	1	2	2	on proj	ect basis.		
FSM-IMX334	2	4	-					
FSM-IMX335	4	1	2					
FSM-IMX412	4	1	2	2				
FSM-IMX415	4	1	2					
FSM-IMX462	4	1	2					
FSM-IMX477	2	1	2					
FSM-IMX485	4		2					
FSM-IMX577	2	1	2					
FSM-IMX530	2	4	-			1 ¹		

Table 1: Ecosystem Software Package - Supported number of FSMs per processing board

¹ SLVS-EC based FPGA reference implementation as part of the SLVS-EC RX IP Core offering.

2.1 Reference Software: NVIDIA Jetson Family

The software package provided with the Development Kits of the FRAMOS Sensor Module Ecosystem provided for NVIDIA Jetson platforms provides a reference implementation of sensor and device drivers for MIPI CSI-2. It contains a minimum feature set demonstrating how to utilize the platform specific data interface and communication implementation, as well as the initialization of the image sensor and implementation of basic features.

Package Content:

- Platform and device drivers with Linux for Tegra Support
- V4L2 based subdevice drivers (low-level C API)
- Streamlined V4L2 library (LibSV) providing generic C/C++ API
- Image Pre-Processing Examples:
 - OpenCV (Software)
 - LibArgus (Hardware)

Supported Devices:

- Jetson Nano
- Jetson TX2
- Jetson Xavier NX
- Jetson AGX Xavier

2.1.1 Platform and Sensor Device Drivers

The driver divides into two main parts that are configured in separate ways – the Image Modes and the General Features of the image sensor.

Image Modes

These are major attributes that have impact to the image data stream formatting. They require a static preconfiguration within the device tree (DT):

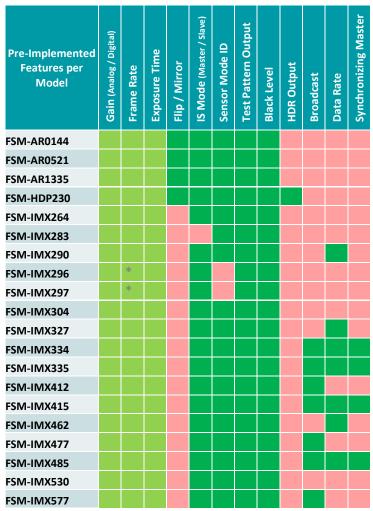
- Image / streaming resolution
- Pixel format / bit depth
- Data rate / lane configuration

Each driver provides access to 3-5 pre-built configurations, reflecting the main operation modes of the imager. Beside the full resolution, that is always available, they allow to receive image streams in common video resolutions like VGA, Full HD and UHD as they are supported or make sense by the imagers, and utilize sensor features like ROI and binning.

They act as an example for implementation and usage and are available as source. Due to the size limitation of the device tree, it is not possible to integrate an extensive set of options.

General Features

These are attributes of the image sensor that do not manipulate the data stream formatting. The drivers provided with the Software Pack integrate the sensor features as shown in the table below.



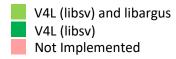


Table 2: Supported sensor features on NVIDIA Jetson TX2 / AGX Xavier

Further features, as been supported by the image sensor, can be integrated into the driver sources using the image sensor datasheet.

2.1.2 Image Pre-Processing Examples

The provided image processing examples show the general mechanisms of data handling, for an image processing using 3rd-party IP. Both, the OpenCV and the LibArgus examples do not output data that is tuned for best visual experience.

LibArgus Example:

- Closed source ISP implementation
- Using hard ISP in NVIDIA Jetson SOCs
- Most performant option
- Example Implementation: Full but not tuned image pipeline, displaying

^{*}Only supported in all pixel mode

Color tuning and lens correction needs to be calibrated for every image sensor separately and depends on sensor and lens attributes as well as illumination situation.

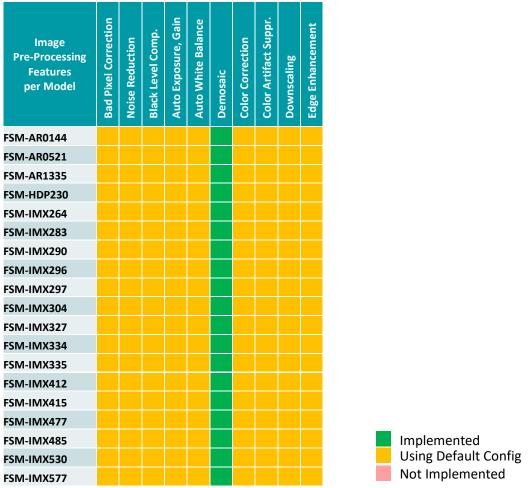


Table 3: Implemented LibArgus features for NVIDIA Jetson TX2 / AGX Xavier

Default Config

Image streaming is performed through the LibArgus pipeline, using a common configuration. It demonstrates the usage of LibArgus but is not optimized for the certain sensor configuration and might not lead to good image representation.

As NVIDIA camera partner, FRAMOS provides appropriate ISP tuning services on project basis for the individual customer system.

OpenCV Example:

- Open software library
- Easy to use and large feature set
- Extremely performance hungry (CPU)
- Not recommended for pre-processing
- Example Implementation: Demosaicing, Displaying

Image Pre-Processing Features per Model	Bad Pixel Correction	Noise Reduction	Black Level Comp.	Auto Exposure, Gain	Auto White Balance	Demosaic	Color Correction	Color Artifact Suppr.	Downscaling	Edge Enhancement
FSM-AR0144										
FSM-AR0521										
FSM-AR1335										
FSM-HDP230										
FSM-IMX264										
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FSM-IMX577										

Implemented
Not Implemented

Table 4: Implemented features in OpenCV example

Due to limited performance and extreme resource utilization, it is not planned to enhance the image processing support on software side.

3 Ecosystem Compatibility Matrix

3.1 Hardware Support

The following matrix shows the compatibility of FSMs, FSAs and FPAs to each other. The FSAs differentiate to each other by supplied voltages, power up sequence, generated clock (oscillator) and physical attributes.

Sensor Modules with MIPI CSI-2 (D-PHY) Output

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		FSM-IMX290						
		FSM-IMX327						
		FSM-IMX334						
	FSM-IMX412	FSM-IMX335						
	FSM-IMX477	FSM-IMX462	FSM-IMX296	FSM-AR0521				
Item	FSM-IMX577				FSM-IMX415	FSM-IMX283	FSM-AR0144	FSM-HDP230
FSA-FT1/A	FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²							
FSA-FT3/A		FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN ³ FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²						
FSA-FT6/A			FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²					
FSA-FT7/A				FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²				
FSA-FT11/A					FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²			
FSA-FT12/A						FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²		
FSA-FT13/A							FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²	
FSA-FT19/A								FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-A/NVN FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²

Table 5: Ecosystem Compatibility Matrix – Native CSI-2 (D-PHY) FSMs

² Not verified, Xilinx Development Board with hard MIPI CSI-2 / D-PHY interface.

 $^{^{\}rm 3}$ FSM-IMX334 is not supported due to the sensor requiring 4-lanes MIPI.

Sensor Modules with (Sub-) LVDS and SLVS Output

Item	Data Output (FSA)	FSM-IMX264	FSM-IMX304	FSM-IMX421	FSM-IMX530
FSA-FT14/A-00G	MIPI CSI-2	FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²			
FSA-FT15/A-00G	MIPI CSI-2		FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²		
FSA-FT18/A-00G	MIPI CSI-2				FPA-4.A/TXA FPA-2.A/96B FPA-ABC/XX1 ²
FSA-FT18/BC	SLVS, SLVS-EC				FPA-ABC/XX1
FSA-FT20/BC	SLVS, SLVS-EC			FPA-ABC/XX1	

Table 6: Ecosystem Compatibility Matrix – Sub-LVDS, SLVS and SLVS-EC FSMs