

# LZ34B1B

1/4-type Color CMOS Image Sensor with  
350 k Pixels

## DESCRIPTION

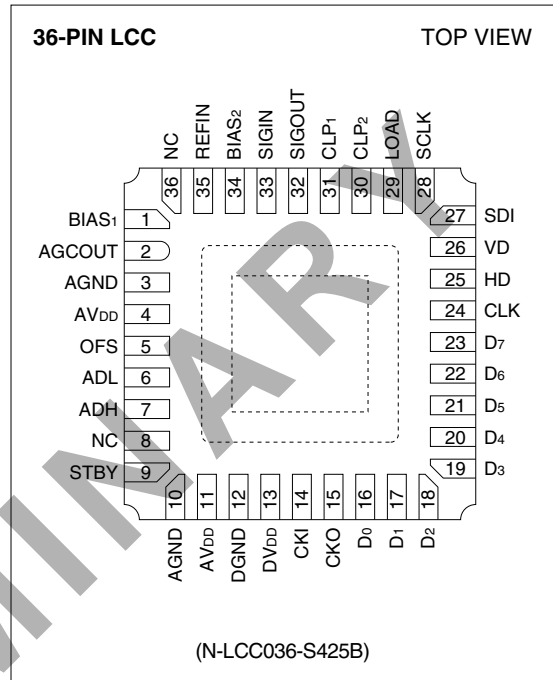
The LZ34B1B is a 1/4-type (4.5 mm) solid-state color image sensor that consists of PN photo-diodes and CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) devices. The sensor further includes a timing generator (TG), a correlated double sampling (CDS) circuit, an auto gain control (AGC) circuit and an analog-to-digital converter (ADC) circuit. With approximately 350 000 pixels (703 horizontal x 499 vertical), the sensor provides a stable digital color image with extremely low power consumption.

## FEATURES

- Progressive scan
- Square pixel
- Compatible with VGA standard
- Number of image pixels : 655 (H) x 493 (V)
- Number of optical black pixels
  - Horizontal : 24 front and 24 rear
  - Vertical : 3 front and 3 rear
- Pixel pitch : 5.6  $\mu\text{m}$  (H) x 5.6  $\mu\text{m}$  (V)
- R, G, and B primary color mosaic filters
- Image inversion function (horizontally and/or vertically)
- Available for two types of power save mode
  - AGC and AD circuits become power-off with serial data
  - All circuits become power-off with STBY pin
- Monitoring mode
- Analog output and 8-bit digital output
- Variable gain control (3 to 30 dB)
- Variable electronic focal plane shutter (1/15 to 1/7 875 s)
- Single +2.8 V power supply
- Package : 36-pin LCC\* (N-LCC036-S425B)

\* Leadless Chip Carrier

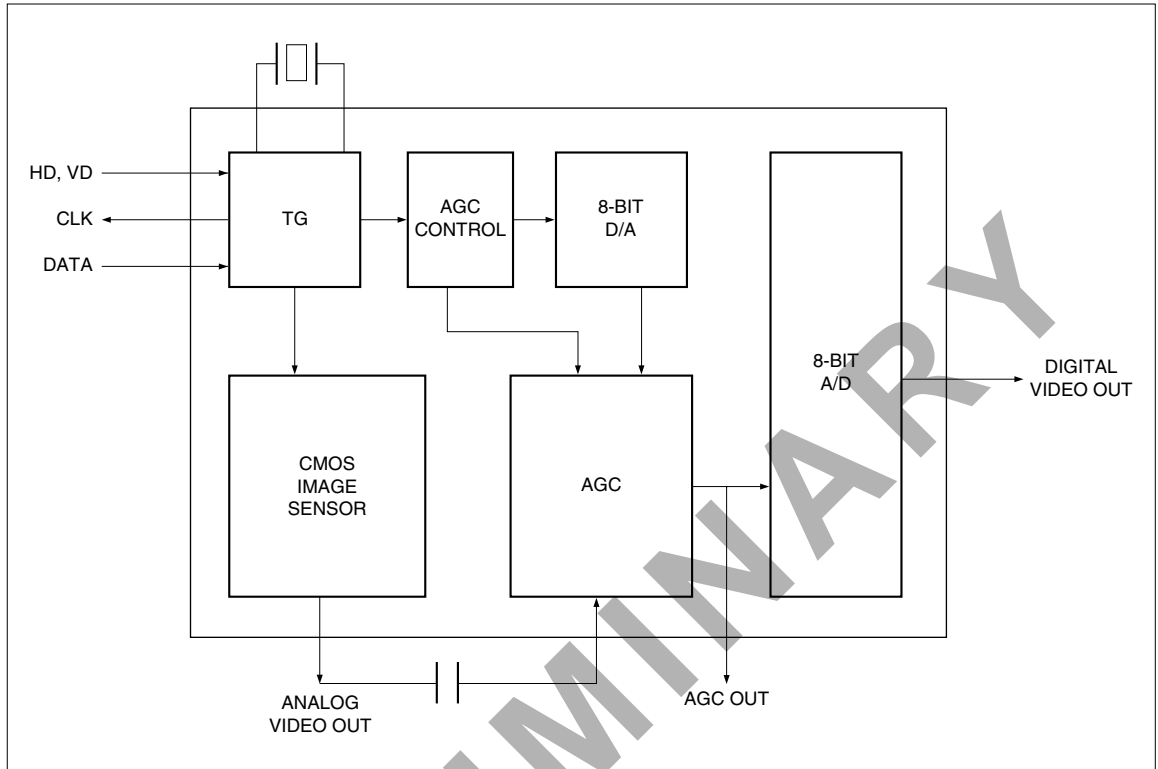
## PIN CONNECTIONS



## PRECAUTIONS

- Refer to "PRECAUTIONS FOR CMOS IMAGE SENSORS".

BLOCK DIAGRAM



## PIN DESCRIPTION

| PIN NO. | SYMBOL            | I/O | A/D     | DESCRIPTION   |
|---------|-------------------|-----|---------|---|
| 1       | BIAS <sub>1</sub> | –   | Analog  | Analog bias voltage 1 for image sensor  |
| 2       | AGCOUT            | O   | Analog  | AGC output  |
| 3       | AGND              | –   | Analog  | Analog ground   |
| 4       | AVDD              | –   | Analog  | Analog power supply   |
| 5       | OFS               | –   | Analog  | Offset bias voltage for AGC output  |
| 6       | ADL               | –   | Analog  | Bottom ADC reference voltage  |
| 7       | ADH               | –   | Analog  | Top ADC reference voltage   |
| 8       | NC                | –   | –       | No connection   |
| 9       | STBY              | I   | Digital | Standby control mode*   |
| 10      | AGND              | –   | Analog  | Analog ground   |
| 11      | AVDD              | –   | Analog  | Analog power supply   |
| 12      | DGND              | –   | Digital | Digital ground  |
| 13      | DVDD              | –   | Digital | Digital power supply  |
| 14      | CKI               | I   | Digital | Clock input for oscillator (12.27 MHz)  |
| 15      | CKO               | O   | Digital | Clock output for oscillator   |
| 16      | D <sub>0</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output (LSB)   |
| 17      | D <sub>1</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 18      | D <sub>2</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 19      | D <sub>3</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 20      | D <sub>4</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 21      | D <sub>5</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 22      | D <sub>6</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output   |
| 23      | D <sub>7</sub>    | O   | Digital | ADC signal output (MSB)   |
| 24      | CLK               | O   | Digital | Clock output (6.135 MHz)  |
| 25      | HD                | I   | Digital | Horizontal drive pulse input  |
| 26      | VD                | I   | Digital | Vertical drive pulse input  |
| 27      | SDI               | I   | Digital | Control data input (AGC gain, offset, shutter control, image inversion, etc.) |
| 28      | SCLK              | I   | Digital | Shift clock for data  |
| 29      | LOAD              | I   | Digital | Load pulse for data input   |
| 30      | CLP <sub>2</sub>  | –   | Analog  | Analog bias voltage 2 for clamp circuit                                       |
| 31      | CLP <sub>1</sub>  | –   | Analog  | Analog bias voltage 1 for clamp circuit                                       |
| 32      | SIGOUT            | O   | Analog  | Analog image signal output  |
| 33      | SIGIN             | I   | Analog  | Analog image signal input   |
| 34      | BIAS <sub>2</sub> | –   | Analog  | Analog bias voltage 2 for image sensor  |
| 35      | REFIN             | I   | Analog  | Reference voltage for analog input  |
| 36      | NC                | –   | –       | No connection   |

\* Standby mode functions

High level : Standby mode (all circuits power-off), Low level or open : Normal mode (all circuits active)

**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

| PARAMETER            | SYMBOL           | RATING                        | UNIT |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------|
| Power supply voltage | V <sub>DD</sub>  | -0.3 to +4.6                  | V    |
| Input signal voltage | V <sub>φ</sub>   | -0.3 to V <sub>DD</sub> + 0.3 | V    |
| Storage temperature  | T <sub>STG</sub> | -40 to +80                    | °C   |

**RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS**

| PARAMETER             | SYMBOL           | MIN.                                 | TYP.               | MAX.               | UNIT | NOTE |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------|------|
| Power supply voltage  | V <sub>DD</sub>  | 2.6                                  | 2.8                | 3.0                | V    |      |
| Operating temperature | T <sub>OPR</sub> | -20                                  | +25                | +50                | °C   |      |
| Oscillation frequency | Normal mode      | F <sub>CK</sub>                      | 12.27              |                    | MHz  |      |
|                       | Monitoring mode  |                                      |                    |                    |      |      |
| Digital input voltage | LOW level        | V <sub>φL</sub>                      | 0                  | 0.2V <sub>DD</sub> | V    | 1    |
|                       | HIGH level       | V <sub>φH</sub>                      | 0.8V <sub>DD</sub> | V <sub>DD</sub>    | V    |      |
| Analog input voltage  |                  | (Connect to pin through a capacitor) |                    |                    |      | 2    |
| Analog bias voltage   |                  | (Connect to GND through a capacitor) |                    |                    |      | 3    |

**NOTES :**

1. Applied to input pins STBY, HD, VD, SDI, SCLK and LOAD.
2. Applied to input pins SIGIN and REFIN. Do not connect to DC directly.
3. Applied to pins BIAS<sub>1</sub>, BIAS<sub>2</sub>, OFS, ADL, ADH, CLP<sub>1</sub> and CLP<sub>2</sub>.  
Do not connect to GND directly.

**CHARACTERISTICS** (1/15 s progressive scan readout mode)

( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , Operating conditions : The typical values specified in "RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS".

Color temperature of light source : 3 200 K, IR cut-off filter (CM-500, 1mmt) is used.)

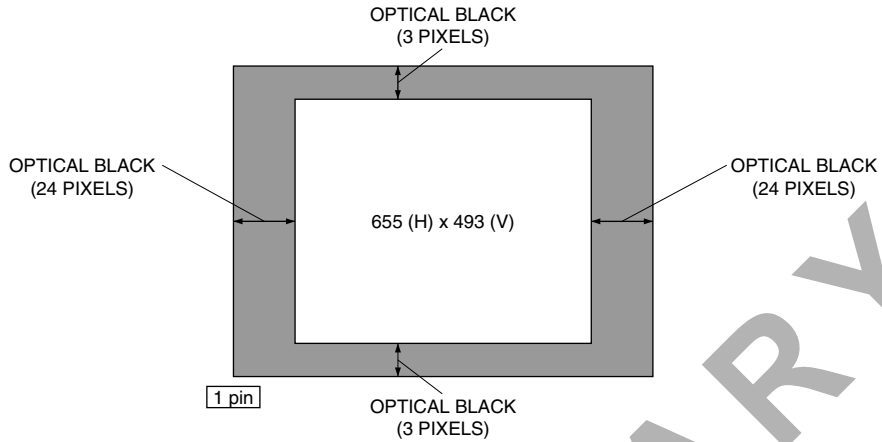
- Measurement point : Analog image signal output (pin No.32), before AGC circuit and AD converter.

| PARAMETER                         | SYMBOL     | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | UNIT          | NOTE |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------|------|------|---------------|------|
| Standard output voltage           | $V_O$      |      | 150  |      | mV            | 1    |
| Photo response non-uniformity     | PRNU       |      |      | 14   | %             | 2    |
| Saturation output voltage         | $V_{SAT}$  | 400  | 700  |      | mV            | 3    |
| Dark output voltage               | $V_{DARK}$ |      | 2    | 3    | mV            | 4    |
| Sensitivity (Green channel)       | R (G)      | 150  | 250  |      | mV            | 5    |
| Supply current                    | $I_{VDD}$  |      | 13   |      | mA            | 6    |
| Standby current                   | $I_{STBY}$ |      | 1    | 10   | $\mu\text{A}$ | 7    |
| Vertical line fixed pattern noise | VFPN       |      | 0.5  | 1.1  | mVp-p         | 8    |

**NOTES :**

1. The average output voltage of G signal under uniform illumination. The standard exposure conditions are defined as when  $V_O$  is 150 mV.
2. The image area is divided into 10 x 10 segments under the standard exposure conditions. Each segment's voltage is the average output voltage of all pixels within the segment. PRNU is defined by  $(V_{max} - V_{min})/V_O$ , where  $V_{max}$  and  $V_{min}$  are the maximum and minimum values of each segment's voltage respectively.
3. The image area is divided into 10 x 10 segments. Each segment's voltage is the average output voltage of all pixels within the segment.  $V_{SAT}$  is the minimum segment's voltage under 10 times exposure of the standard exposure conditions.
4. The difference between average output voltage of the image area and that of the OB area, under non-exposure conditions.
5. The average output voltage of G signal when a 500 lux light source with a 90% reflector is imaged by a lens of F4, F50 mm.
6. Total current of analog and digital power supplies, in the dark and at the standard load conditions.
7. Total current of power supply in standby mode. (Pin No.9 (STBY) is fixed to "H" level and other input pins are fixed to "H" level or "L" level.)
8. One mean horizontal line signal  $\langle b_i \rangle$  is obtained by adding all the horizontal line signals  $\langle a_{ij} \rangle$  vertically and dividing them by the line number.  $\langle x_i \rangle$  is the deviation of the center pixel from the average of successive 5 pixels in  $\langle b_i \rangle$ . VFPN is the maximum absolute value of  $\langle x_i \rangle$ .

PIXEL STRUCTURE



COLOR FILTER ARRAY

(1, 493)

(655, 493)

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| R | G | R | G | R | R | G | R | G | R |
| G | B | G | B | G | G | B | G | B | G |
| R | G | R | G | R | R | G | R | G | R |
| G | B | G | B | G | G | B | G | B | G |
| R | G | R | G | R | R | G | R | G | R |
| G | B | G | B | G | G | B | G | B | G |
| G | B | G | B | G | G | B | G | B | G |
| R | G | R | G | R | R | G | R | G | R |
| G | B | G | B | G | G | B | G | B | G |
| R | G | R | G | R | R | G | R | G | R |

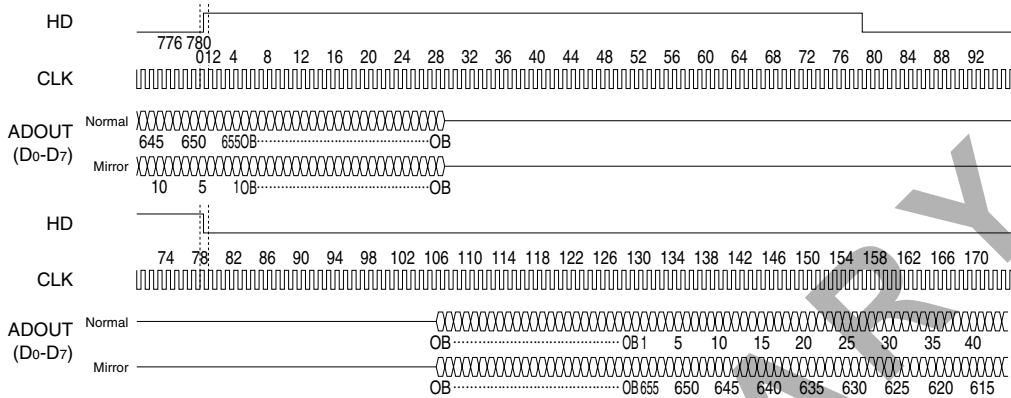
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**TIMING CHART**

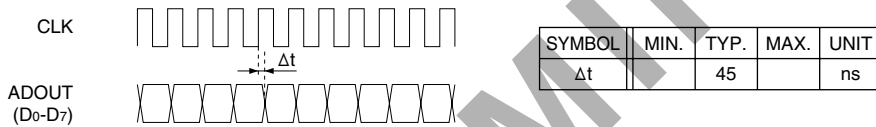
[Normal Mode]

**HORIZONTAL PULSE TIMING**



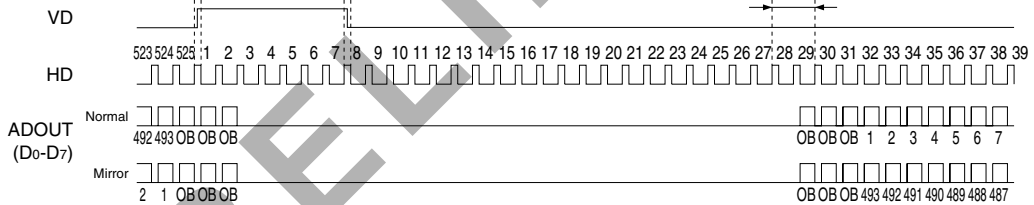
- The rising edge of the HD pulse must be between two rising edges of CLK (0) and CLK (1).
- The falling edge of the HD pulse must be between two rising edges of CLK (78) and CLK (79).

**PHASE RELATIONS BETWEEN DIGITAL OUTPUT (ADOUT) AND CLOCK (CLK)**



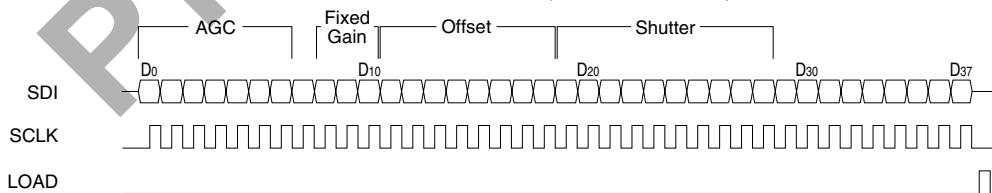
**VERTICAL PULSE TIMING**

SDI, SCLK, LOAD  
Forbidden Period



- The rising edge and falling edge of the VD pulse must be in high period of the HD pulses.

**SERIAL DATA TIMING (SDI, SCLK, LOAD)**

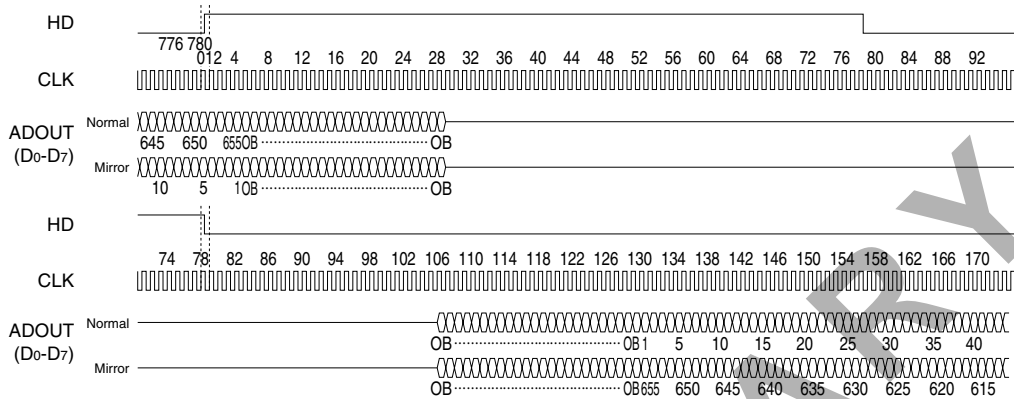


- Data in SDI are taken at the rising edge of SCLK.
- Clock frequency of SCLK should be less than 1/2 of that of CLK.
- Do not insert the SDI, SCLK and LOAD pulses between 28H\* and 29H\*. Refer to "VERTICAL PULSE TIMING".
- Refer to "SERIAL DATA INPUTS" for the contents of serial data from D0 to D37.

\* It means ordinal number of the HD pulse.

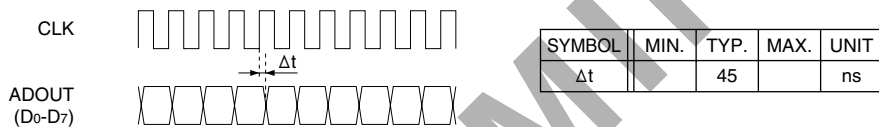
[Monitoring Mode]

HORIZONTAL PULSE TIMING

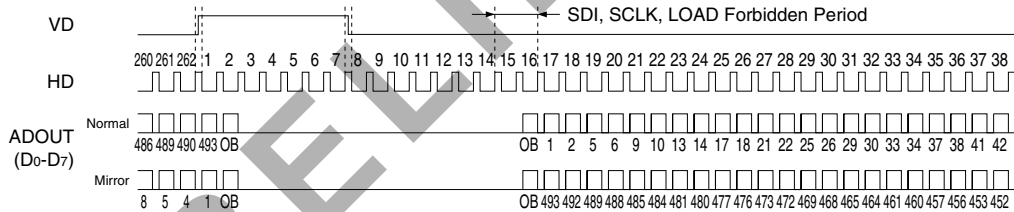


- The rising edge of the HD pulse must be between two rising edges of CLK (0) and CLK (1).
- The falling edge of the HD pulse must be between two rising edges of CLK (78) and CLK (79).

PHASE RELATIONS BETWEEN DIGITAL OUTPUT (ADOUT) AND CLOCK (CLK)

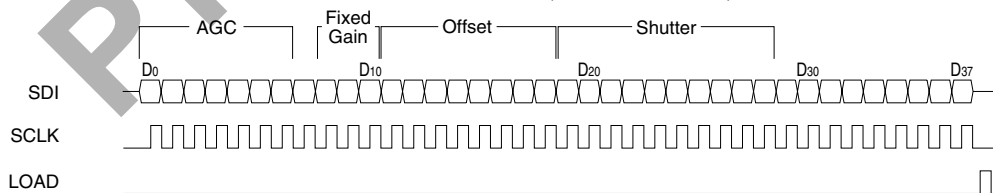


VERTICAL PULSE TIMING



- The rising edge and falling edge of the VD pulse must be in high period of the HD pulses.

SERIAL DATA TIMING (SDI, SCLK, LOAD)



- Data in SDI are taken at the rising edge of SCLK.
- Clock frequency of SCLK should be less than 1/2 of that of CLK.
- Do not insert the SDI, SCLK and LOAD pulses between 15H\* and 16H\*. Refer to "VERTICAL PULSE TIMING".
- Refer to "SERIAL DATA INPUTS" for the contents of serial data from D0 to D37.

\* It means ordinal number of the HD pulse.



## SERIAL DATA INPUTS

| DATA | NAME                   | FUNCTION  |
|------|------------------------|---|
| D0   | AGC <sub>6</sub> (MSB) | Auto gain control<br>(0 to 20 dB)   |
| D1   | AGC <sub>5</sub>       |   |
| D2   | AGC <sub>4</sub>       |   |
| D3   | AGC <sub>3</sub>       |   |
| D4   | AGC <sub>2</sub>       |   |
| D5   | AGC <sub>1</sub>       |   |
| D6   | AGC <sub>0</sub> (LSB) |   |
| D7   |                        | Not used. (Fix to low level.)   |
| D8   | MAX <sub>2</sub> (MSB) | Selection of fixed gain<br>(3 to 10 dB)   |
| D9   | MAX <sub>1</sub>       |   |
| D10  | MAX <sub>0</sub> (LSB) |   |
| D11  | OFS <sub>7</sub> (MSB) | Offset level control of ADC<br>(0.9 to 1.5 V)   |
| D12  | OFS <sub>6</sub>       |   |
| D13  | OFS <sub>5</sub>       |   |
| D14  | OFS <sub>4</sub>       |   |
| D15  | OFS <sub>3</sub>       |   |
| D16  | OFS <sub>2</sub>       |   |
| D17  | OFS <sub>1</sub>       |   |
| D18  | OFS <sub>0</sub> (LSB) |   |
| D19  | SHT <sub>9</sub> (MSB) | Shutter speed control<br>(Normal mode : Exposure time is 1 to 1/525 frame period.)<br>(Monitoring mode : Exposure time is 1 to 1/262 frame period.)   |
| D20  | SHT <sub>8</sub>       |   |
| D21  | SHT <sub>7</sub>       |   |
| D22  | SHT <sub>6</sub>       |   |
| D23  | SHT <sub>5</sub>       |   |
| D24  | SHT <sub>4</sub>       |   |
| D25  | SHT <sub>3</sub>       |   |
| D26  | SHT <sub>2</sub>       |   |
| D27  | SHT <sub>1</sub>       |   |
| D28  | SHT <sub>0</sub> (LSB) |   |
| D29  | MIRH                   | H : Horizontal mirror inversion image, L : Normal image   |
| D30  | MIRV                   | H : Vertical mirror inversion image, L : Normal image   |
| D31  | MON                    | H : Monitoring mode, L : Normal mode  |
| D32  | SAD <sub>2</sub> (MSB) | Phase selection of AD clock<br>D <sub>32</sub> /D <sub>33</sub> /D <sub>34</sub> = L/L/L : -30°    D <sub>32</sub> /D <sub>33</sub> /D <sub>34</sub> = L/L/H : -15°<br>D <sub>32</sub> /D <sub>33</sub> /D <sub>34</sub> = L/H/L : 0°    D <sub>32</sub> /D <sub>33</sub> /D <sub>34</sub> = L/H/H : +15° |
| D33  | SAD <sub>1</sub>       |   |
| D34  | SAD <sub>0</sub> (LSB) |   |
| D35  | LPMD <sub>1</sub>      | Power save mode<br>D <sub>35</sub> /D <sub>36</sub> = L/L : Normal mode    D <sub>35</sub> /D <sub>36</sub> = L/H : AD and AGC off<br>D <sub>35</sub> /D <sub>36</sub> = H/L : AD off    D <sub>35</sub> /D <sub>36</sub> = H/H : Inhibited mode  |
| D36  | LPMD <sub>0</sub>      |   |
| D37  | USB                    | H : Inhibited mode, L : Normal mode   |

### Setting of Auto Gain Control

- One LSB of the gain code represents approximately 0.156 dB.
- Nominal gain values at typical codes are shown below.

| AUTO GAIN CONTROL<br>(dB) | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 | D5 | D6 |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0                         | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  |
| 1                         | L  | L  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  |
| 2                         | L  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  | H  |
| 3                         | L  | L  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  |
| 4                         | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  |
| 5                         | L  | H  | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  |
| 6                         | L  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  |
| 7                         | L  | H  | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  |
| 8                         | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  |
| 9                         | L  | H  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  |
| 10                        | H  | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  | L  |
| 11                        | H  | L  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  |
| 12                        | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  |
| 13                        | H  | L  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  |
| 14                        | H  | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  |
| 15                        | H  | L  | H  | H  | H  | H  | H  |
| 16                        | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  | L  |
| 17                        | H  | H  | L  | H  | H  | L  | L  |
| 18                        | H  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  | H  |
| 19                        | H  | H  | H  | H  | L  | L  | H  |
| 20                        | H  | H  | H  | H  | H  | H  | H  |

### Setting of Fixed Gain

- One LSB of the gain code represents 1 dB.

| FIXED GAIN<br>(dB) | D8 | D9 | D10 |
|--------------------|----|----|-----|
| 3                  | L  | L  | L   |
| 4                  | L  | L  | H   |
| 5                  | L  | H  | L   |
| 6                  | L  | H  | H   |
| 7                  | H  | L  | L   |
| 8                  | H  | L  | H   |
| 9                  | H  | H  | L   |
| 10                 | H  | H  | H   |

### Setting of Offset Level

- One LSB of the offset code represents approximately 0.002 V.
- Nominal offset values at typical codes are shown below.

| OFFSET LEVEL (V) | D11 | D12 | D13 | D14 | D15 | D16 | D17 | D18 |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 0.9              | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   |
| 1.0              | L   | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   | H   |
| 1.1              | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   |
| 1.2              | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   |
| 1.3              | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   |
| 1.4              | H   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   | L   | H   |
| 1.5              | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   |

### Setting of Shutter Speed

- One LSB of the shutter speed code represents 1H, where 1H is the HD pulse period.
- Shutter speed values at typical codes are shown below in normal mode, monitoring mode and USB mode.

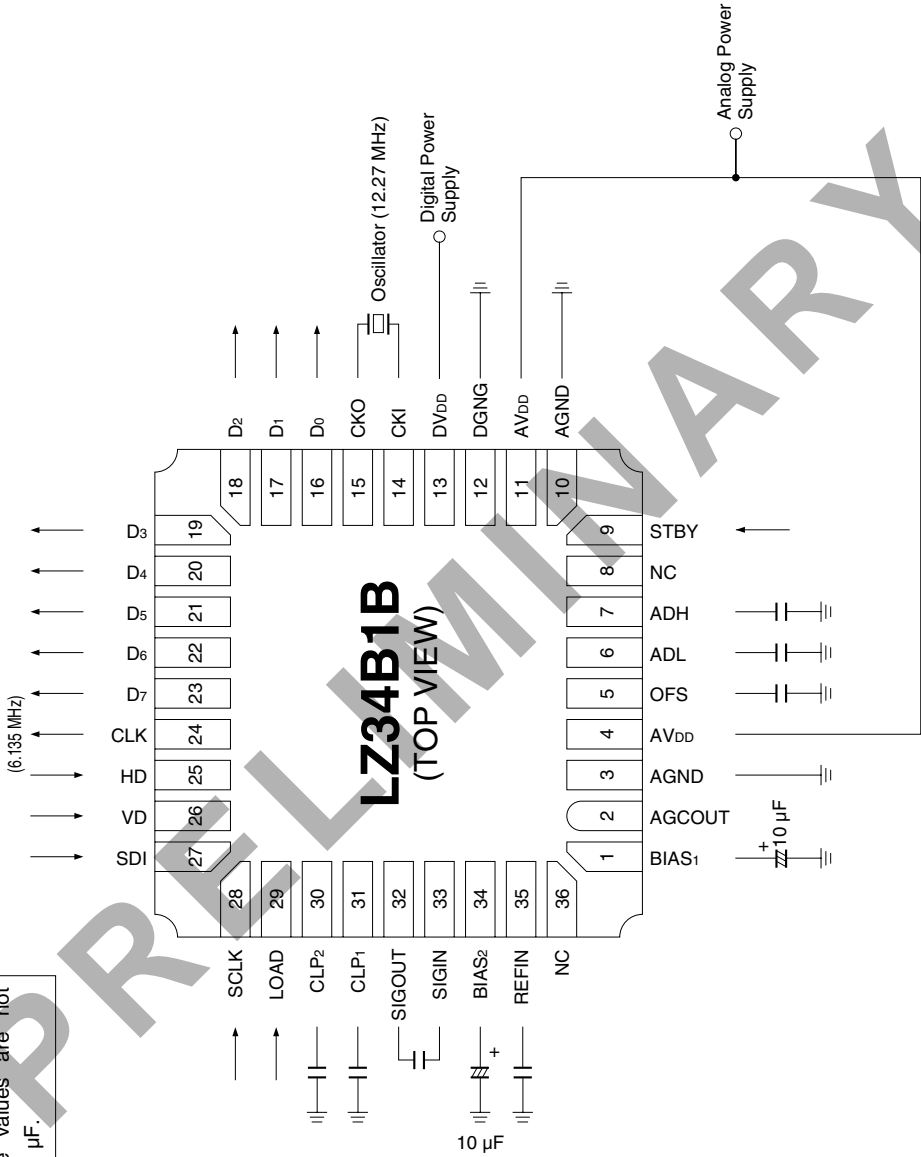
| SHUTTER SPEED<br>(Exposure Time Unit : H) |            | D19 | D20 | D21 | D22 | D23 | D24 | D25 | D26 | D27 | D28 |
|---|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Normal                                    | Monitoring |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| 525                                       | 262        | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| 265                                       | 2          | L   | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | L   | L   |
| 264                                       | 1          | L   | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | L   | H   |
| 263                                       | 262        | L   | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | H   | L   |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| 27  | 262        | L   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | L   | L   | H   | L   |
| 26  | 262        | L   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | L   | L   | H   | H   |
| 25  | 262        | L   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | L   | H   | L   | L   |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| 2   | 262        | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | L   | H   | H   |
| 1   | 262        | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | H   | L   | L   |
| 525                                       | 262        | H   | L   | L   | L   | L   | L   | H   | H   | L   | H   |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| •   | •          |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| 525                                       | 262        | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   | H   |

### Setting of Driving Modes

| FUNCTION        | D31 | D37 |
|-----------------|-----|-----|
| Normal mode     | L   | L   |
| Monitoring mode | H   | L   |

EXAMPLE OF OPERATION CIRCUIT

- Insert capacitors more than 10  $\mu\text{F}$  between AV<sub>DD</sub> and AGND and between DV<sub>DD</sub> and DGND.
- Capacitors whose values are not shown must be 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$ .





## PRECAUTIONS FOR CMOS IMAGE SENSORS

### 1. Package Breakage

In order to prevent the package from being broken, observe the following instructions :

- 1) The CMOS image sensor is a precise optical component and the package material is ceramic.  
Therefore,
  - Take care not to drop the device when mounting, handling, or transporting.
  - Avoid giving a shock to the package.  
Especially when pins are fixed to the socket or the circuit board, small shock could break the package more easily than when the package isn't fixed.
- 2) When mounting the package on the housing, be sure that the package is not bent.
  - If a bent package is forced into place between a hard plate or the like, the package may be broken.
- 3) If any damage or breakage occurs on the surface of the glass cap, its characteristics could deteriorate.  
Therefore,
  - Do not hit the glass cap.
  - Do not give a shock large enough to cause distortion.
  - Do not scrub or scratch the glass surface.
    - Even a soft cloth or applicator, if dry, could cause flaws to scratch the glass.

### 2. Electrostatic Damage

As compared with general MOS-LSI, CMOS image sensor has lower ESD. Therefore, take the following antistatic measures when handling the CMOS image sensor :

- 1) Always discharge static electricity by grounding the human body and the instrument to be used. To ground the human body, provide resistance of about 1 M $\Omega$  between the human body and the ground to be on the safe side.

- 2) When directly handling the device with the fingers, hold the part without pins and do not touch any pin.
- 3) To avoid generating static electricity,
  - a. do not scrub the glass surface with cloth or plastic.
  - b. do not attach any tape or labels.
  - c. do not clean the glass surface with dust-cleaning tape.
- 4) When storing or transporting the device, put it in a container of conductive material.

### 3. Dust and Contamination

Dust or contamination on the glass surface could deteriorate the output characteristics or cause a scar. In order to minimize dust or contamination on the glass surface, take the following precautions :

- 1) Handle the CMOS image sensor in a clean environment such as a cleaned booth. (The cleanliness level should be, if possible, class 1 000 at least.)
  - 2) Do not touch the glass surface with the fingers. If dust or contamination gets on the glass surface, the following cleaning method is recommended :
    - Dust from static electricity should be blown off with an ionized air blower. For anti-electrostatic measures, however, ground all the pins on the device before blowing off the dust.
    - The contamination on the glass surface should be wiped off with a clean applicator soaked in isopropyl alcohol. Wipe slowly and gently in one direction only.
      - Frequently replace the applicator and do not use the same applicator to clean more than one device.
- ※ Note : In most cases, dust and contamination are unavoidable, even before the device is first used. It is, therefore, recommended that the above procedures should be taken to wipe out dust and contamination before using the device.

**4. Other**

- 1) Soldering should be manually performed within 2 seconds per pin at 400°C maximum at the tip of soldering iron.
- 2) Avoid using or storing the CMOS image sensor at high temperature or high humidity as it is a precise optical component. Do not give a mechanical shock to the CMOS image sensor.
- 3) Do not expose the device to strong light. For the color device, long exposure to strong light will fade the color of the color filters.