
AdafruitAPDS9500 Library Documentation

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DEPENDENCIES

This driver depends on:

- Adafruit CircuitPython
- Bus Device
- Register

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the [Adafruit library and driver bundle](#).

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TWO**

INSTALLING FROM PYPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally [from PyPI](#). To install for current user:

```
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-apds9500
```

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-apds9500
```

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

```
mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-apds9500
```

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USAGE EXAMPLE

```
import time
import board
import busio
import adafruit_apds9500
from adafruit_apds9500 import Gesture

i2c = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)

apds = adafruit_apds9500.APDS9500(i2c)
while True:
    gesture_reading = apds.gestures
    if len(gesture_reading) == 0:
        continue
    for gesture in gesture_reading:
        print("\t", Gesture.string[gesture], "Gesture Detected")
    print("")
time.sleep(.1)
```

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CONTRIBUTING

Contributions are welcome! Please read our [Code of Conduct](#) before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

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DOCUMENTATION

For information on building library documentation, please check out [this guide](#).

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6.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/apds9500_simpletest.py

```
1 # SPDX-FileCopyrightText: 2021 ladyada for Adafruit Industries
2 # SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
3
4 import time
5 import board
6 import busio
7 import adafruit_apds9500
8 from adafruit_apds9500 import Gesture
9
10 i2c = busio.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)
11
12 apds = adafruit_apds9500.APDS9500(i2c)
13 print("Gesture demo started!")
14 while True:
15     gesture_reading = apds.gestures
16     if not gesture_reading:
17         continue
18     for gesture in gesture_reading:
19         print("\t", Gesture.string[gesture], "Gesture Detected")
20     print("")
21     time.sleep(0.1)
```

6.2 adafruit_apds9500

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6.2.1 Implementation Notes

Hardware:

- Adafruit's APDS9500 Breakout: <https://adafruit.com/product/44XX>

Software and Dependencies:

- Adafruit CircuitPython firmware for the supported boards: <https://circuitpython.org/downloads>
- Adafruit's Bus Device library: https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit_CircuitPython_BusDevice
- Adafruit's Register library: https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit_CircuitPython_Register

```
class adafruit_apds9500.APDS9500(i2c_bus, address=115)
```

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Parameters

- i2c_bus** ([I2C](#)) – The I2C bus the APDS9500 is connected to.
- address** – The I2C slave address of the sensor

property gestures

Returns a list of gestures that were detected. Results are [Gesture](#) types

```
class adafruit_apds9500.CV
```

struct helper

```
classmethod add_values(value_tuples)
```

creates CV entires

```
classmethod is_valid(value)
```

Returns true if the given value is a member of the CV

```
class adafruit_apds9500.Gesture
```

Possible results for gesture

```
class adafruit_apds9500.GestureResult
```

Possible results for gesture

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