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# **Adafruit BNO055 Library Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Dependencies

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This driver depends on the [Register](#) and [Bus Device](#) libraries. Please ensure they are also available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading [a library and driver bundle](#).



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## Installing from PyPI

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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-bno055
```

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

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-bno055
```

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-bno055
```



# CHAPTER 3

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## Usage Notes

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Of course, you must import the library to use it:

```
import adafruit_bno055
```

This driver takes an instantiated and active I2C object as an argument to its constructor. The way to create an I2C object depends on the board you are using. For boards with labeled SCL and SDA pins, you can:

```
import board
```

```
i2c = board.I2C()
```

Once you have the I2C object, you can create the sensor object:

```
sensor = adafruit_bno055.BNO055_I2C(i2c)
```

And then you can start reading the measurements:

```
print(sensor.temperature)
print(sensor.euler)
print(sensor.gravity)
```



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## Contributing

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



# CHAPTER 5

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## Documentation

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



# CHAPTER 6

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### 6.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/bno055\_simpletest.py

```
1 # SPDX-FileCopyrightText: 2021 ladyada for Adafruit Industries
2 # SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
3
4 import time
5 import board
6 import adafruit_bno055
7
8
9 i2c = board.I2C()
10 sensor = adafruit_bno055.BNO055_I2C(i2c)
11
12 # If you are going to use UART uncomment these lines
13 # uart = board.UART()
14 # sensor = adafruit_bno055.BNO055_UART(uart)
15
16 last_val = 0xFFFF
17
18
19 def temperature():
20     global last_val # pylint: disable=global-statement
21     result = sensor.temperature
22     if abs(result - last_val) == 128:
23         result = sensor.temperature
24         if abs(result - last_val) == 128:
25             return 0b00111111 & result
26     last_val = result
27     return result
```

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```
28
29
30 while True:
31     print("Temperature: {} degrees C".format(sensor.temperature))
32     """
33     print(
34         "Temperature: {} degrees C".format(temperature()))
35     ) # Uncomment if using a Raspberry Pi
36     """
37     print("Accelerometer (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.acceleration))
38     print("Magnetometer (microteslas): {}".format(sensor.magnetic))
39     print("Gyroscope (rad/sec): {}".format(sensor.gyro))
40     print("Euler angle: {}".format(sensor.euler))
41     print("Quaternion: {}".format(sensor.quaternion))
42     print("Linear acceleration (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.linear_acceleration))
43     print("Gravity (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.gravity))
44     print()
45
46     time.sleep(1)
```

## 6.2 Raspberry Pi I2C GPIO Simpletest

This example demonstrates how to instantiate the Adafruit BNO055 Sensor using this library and just the I2C bus number.

Listing 2: examples/bno055\_i2c-gpio\_simpletest.py

```
1  # SPDX-FileCopyrightText: 2021 ladyada for Adafruit Industries
2  # SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
3
4  """
5  This example demonstrates how to instantiate the
6  Adafruit BNO055 Sensor using this library and just
7  the I2C bus number.
8  This example will only work on a Raspberry Pi
9  and does require the i2c-gpio kernel module to be
10 installed and enabled. Most Raspberry Pis will
11 already have it installed, however most do not
12 have it enabled. You will have to manually enable it
13 """
14
15 import time
16 from adafruit_extended_bus import ExtendedI2C as I2C
17 import adafruit_bno055
18
19 # To enable i2c-gpio, add the line `dtoverlay=i2c-gpio` to /boot/config.txt
20 # Then reboot the pi
21
22 # Create library object using our Extended Bus I2C port
23 # Use `ls /dev/i2c*` to find out what i2c devices are connected
24 i2c = I2C(1) # Device is /dev/i2c-1
25 sensor = adafruit_bno055.BNO055_I2C(i2c)
26
27 last_val = 0xFFFF
```

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```

28
29
30 def temperature():
31     global last_val # pylint: disable=global-statement
32     result = sensor.temperature
33     if abs(result - last_val) == 128:
34         result = sensor.temperature
35     if abs(result - last_val) == 128:
36         return 0b00111111 & result
37     last_val = result
38     return result
39
40
41 while True:
42     print("Temperature: {} degrees C".format(temperature()))
43     print("Accelerometer (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.acceleration))
44     print("Magnetometer (microteslas): {}".format(sensor.magnetic))
45     print("Gyroscope (rad/sec): {}".format(sensor.gyro))
46     print("Euler angle: {}".format(sensor.euler))
47     print("Quaternion: {}".format(sensor.quaternion))
48     print("Linear acceleration (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.linear_acceleration))
49     print("Gravity (m/s^2): {}".format(sensor.gravity))
50     print()
51
52     time.sleep(1)

```

## 6.3 adafruit\_bno055

This is a CircuitPython driver for the Bosch BNO055 nine degree of freedom inertial measurement unit module with sensor fusion.

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### Hardware:

- Adafruit 9-DOF Absolute Orientation IMU Fusion Breakout - BNO055 (Product ID: 4646)

### 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](https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit_CircuitPython_BusDevice)
- Adafruit's Register library: [https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit\\_CircuitPython\\_Register](https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit_CircuitPython_Register)

### `class adafruit_bno055.BNO055`

Base class for the BNO055 9DOF IMU sensor.

#### Quickstart: Importing and using the device

Here is an example of using the `BNO055` class. First you will need to import the libraries to use the sensor

```

import board
import adafruit_bno055

```

Once this is done you can define your `board.I2C` object and define your sensor object

```
i2c = board.I2C() # uses board.SCL and board.SDA
sensor = adafruit_bno055.BNO055_I2C(i2c)
```

Now you have access to the `acceleration` attribute among others

```
sensor = accelerometer.acceleration
```

### **accel\_bandwidth**

Switch the accelerometer bandwidth and return the new bandwidth. Default value: 62.5 Hz See table 3-8 in the datasheet.

### **accel\_mode**

Switch the accelerometer mode and return the new mode. Default value: Normal See table 3-8 in the datasheet.

### **accel\_range**

Switch the accelerometer range and return the new range. Default value: +/- 4g See table 3-8 in the datasheet.

### **acceleration**

Gives the raw accelerometer readings, in m/s. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

### **axis\_remap**

Return a tuple with the axis remap register values.

**This will return 6 values with the following meaning:**

- **X axis remap (a value of AXIS\_REMAP\_X, AXIS\_REMAP\_Y, or AXIS\_REMAP\_Z.)** which indicates that the physical X axis of the chip is remapped to a different axis)
- Y axis remap (see above)
- Z axis remap (see above)
- **X axis sign (a value of AXIS\_REMAP\_POSITIVE or AXIS\_REMAP\_NEGATIVE** which indicates if the X axis values should be positive/ normal or negative/inverted. The default is positive.)
- Y axis sign (see above)
- Z axis sign (see above)

Note that the default value, per the datasheet, is NOT P0, but rather P1 ()

### **calibrated**

Boolean indicating calibration status.

### **calibration\_status**

Tuple containing sys, gyro, accel, and mag calibration data.

### **euler**

Gives the calculated orientation angles, in degrees. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

### **external\_crystal**

Switches the use of external crystal on or off.

### **gravity**

Returns the gravity vector, without acceleration in m/s. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

**gyro**

Gives the raw gyroscope reading in radians per second. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

**gyro\_bandwidth**

Switch the gyroscope bandwidth and return the new bandwidth. Default value: 32 Hz See table 3-9 in the datasheet.

**gyro\_mode**

Switch the gyroscope mode and return the new mode. Default value: Normal See table 3-9 in the datasheet.

**gyro\_range**

Switch the gyroscope range and return the new range. Default value: 2000 dps See table 3-9 in the datasheet.

**linear\_acceleration**

Returns the linear acceleration, without gravity, in m/s. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

**magnet\_mode**

Switch the magnetometer power mode and return the new mode. Default value: Forced See table 3-10 in the datasheet.

**magnet\_operation\_mode**

Switch the magnetometer operation mode and return the new mode. Default value: Regular See table 3-10 in the datasheet.

**magnet\_rate**

Switch the magnetometer data output rate and return the new rate. Default value: 20Hz See table 3-10 in the datasheet.

**magnetic**

Gives the raw magnetometer readings in microteslas. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

**mode**

legend: x=on, -=off (see Table 3-3 in datasheet)

Mode	Accel	Compass (Mag)	Gyro	Fusion Absolute	Fusion Rela- tive
CONFIG_MODE	•	•	•	•	•
ACCONLY_MODE		•	•	•	•
MAGONLY_MODE	•	X	•	•	•
GYRONLY_MODE	•	•	X	•	•
ACCMAG_MODE		X	•	•	•
ACCGYRO_MODE		•	X	•	•
MAGGYRO_MODE	•	X	X	•	•
AMG_MODE	X	X	X	•	•
IMUPLUS_MODE		•	X	•	X
COMPASS_MODE		X	•	X	•
M4G_MODE	X	X	•	•	X
NDOF_FMC_OFI_MODE		X	X	X	•
NDOF_MODE	X	X	X	X	•

The default mode is `NDOF_MODE`.

You can set the mode using the line below:

```
sensor.mode = adafruit_bno055.ACCLONLY_MODE
replacing ACCLONLY_MODE with the mode you want to use
```

#### `CONFIG_MODE`

This mode is used to configure BNO, wherein all output data is reset to zero and sensor fusion is halted.

**ACCONLY\_MODE**

In this mode, the BNO055 behaves like a stand-alone acceleration sensor. In this mode the other sensors (magnetometer, gyro) are suspended to lower the power consumption.

**MAGONLY\_MODE**

In MAGONLY mode, the BNO055 behaves like a stand-alone magnetometer, with acceleration sensor and gyroscope being suspended.

**GYRONLY\_MODE**

In GYROONLY mode, the BNO055 behaves like a stand-alone gyroscope, with acceleration sensor and magnetometer being suspended.

**ACCMAG\_MODE**

Both accelerometer and magnetometer are switched on, the user can read the data from these two sensors.

**ACCGYRO\_MODE**

Both accelerometer and gyroscope are switched on; the user can read the data from these two sensors.

**MAGGYRO\_MODE**

Both magnetometer and gyroscope are switched on, the user can read the data from these two sensors.

**AMG\_MODE**

All three sensors accelerometer, magnetometer and gyroscope are switched on.

**IMUPLUS\_MODE**

In the IMU mode the relative orientation of the BNO055 in space is calculated from the accelerometer and gyroscope data. The calculation is fast (i.e. high output data rate).

**COMPASS\_MODE**

The COMPASS mode is intended to measure the magnetic earth field and calculate the geographic direction.

**M4G\_MODE**

The M4G mode is similar to the IMU mode, but instead of using the gyroscope signal to detect rotation, the changing orientation of the magnetometer in the magnetic field is used.

**NDOF\_FMC\_OFF\_MODE**

This fusion mode is same as NDOF mode, but with the Fast Magnetometer Calibration turned ‘OFF’.

**NDOF\_MODE**

This is a fusion mode with 9 degrees of freedom where the fused absolute orientation data is calculated from accelerometer, gyroscope and the magnetometer.

**quaternion**

Gives the calculated orientation as a quaternion. Returns an empty tuple of length 3 when this property has been disabled by the current mode.

**temperature**

Measures the temperature of the chip in degrees Celsius.

**use\_external\_crystal**

Switches the use of external crystal on or off.

**class adafruit\_bno055.BNO055\_I2C(i2c, address=40)**

Driver for the BNO055 9DOF IMU sensor via I2C.

**offsets\_accelerometer**

Calibration offsets for the accelerometer

**offsets\_gyroscope**

Calibration offsets for the gyroscope

**offsets\_magnetometer**

Calibration offsets for the magnetometer

**radius\_accelerometer**

Radius for accelerometer (cm?)

**radius\_magnetometer**

Radius for magnetometer (cm?)

**class** adafruit\_bno055.**BNO055\_UART** (*uart*)

Driver for the BNO055 9DOF IMU sensor via UART.

**offsets\_accelerometer**

Calibration offsets for the accelerometer

**offsets\_gyroscope**

Calibration offsets for the gyroscope

**offsets\_magnetometer**

Calibration offsets for the magnetometer

**radius\_accelerometer**

Radius for accelerometer (cm?)

**radius\_magnetometer**

Radius for magnetometer (cm?)

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