# 1,2AND3AXIS MAGNETIC SENSORS

HMC1051/HMC1052/HMC1053

# OVERVIEW

# The Honeywell HMC1051, HMC1052 and HMC1053 are magnetoresistive sensors designed for low field magnetic sensing.

Various packaging options have been created from the basic HMC1052 sensor chip to create 1, 2 and 3-axis magneto-resistive sensors for cost effective and small size solutions. The advantage of the HMC105X family of sensors is in the near-perfectly orthogonal dual sensor on a single chip with shared set/reset and offset coils/straps included.

The HMC105X family utilizes Honeywell's Anisotropic Magnetoresistive (AMR) technology that provides advantages over coil based magnetic sensors. They are extremely sensitive, low field, solid-state magnetic sensors designed to measure direction and magnitude of Earth's magnetic fields. Honeywell's Magnetic Sensors are among the most sensitive and reliable low-field sensors in the industry. Applications for the HMC105X family of sensors include low-cost Compassing, Magnetometry, and Current Sensing.

Honeywell continues to maintain product excellence and performance by introducing innovative solid-state magnetic sensor solutions. These are highly reliable, top performance products that are delivered when promised. Honeywell's magnetic sensor solutions provide real solutions you can count on.

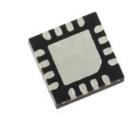


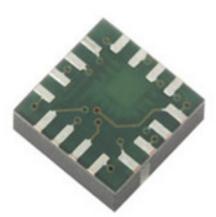
- Miniature Surface-Mount **Packages**
- Leaded and Leadless Packages
- Low Voltage Operations (1.8V)
- Low Cost
- Tape & Reel Packaging Options
- 4-Element Wheatstone Bridge
- Wide Magnetic Field Range (+/-6 Oe)
- Patented Offset and Set/Reset Straps

# **BENEFITS**

- Small Sizes for Compact **Applications**
- Compatible with High Speed SMT Assembly and Prototyping
- Compatible for Battery Powered **Applications**
- Designed for High Volume, Cost Effective OEM Designs
- High Volume OEM Assembly
- Low Noise Passive Element Design
- Sensor Can Be Used in Strong Magnetic Field Environments
- Stray Magnetic Field Compensation







# **SPECIFICATIONS**

CHARACTERISTICS	CONDITIONS*	MIN	ТҮР	MAX	UNITS
BRIDGE ELEMENTS		<u>'</u>	<u>'</u>	<u>'</u>	
Supply <sup>(3)</sup>	Vbridge referenced to GND	1.8	3.0	20	Volts
Resistance <sup>(2)</sup>	Bridge current = 10mA	800	1000	1500	ohms
Operating Temperature <sup>(3)</sup>	Ambient	-40		125	°C
Storage Temperature <sup>(3)</sup>	Ambient, unbiased	-50		125	°C
Field Range <sup>(3)</sup>	Full scale (FS) – total applied field	-6		+6	gauss
Linearity Error <sup>(3)</sup>	Best fit straight line ± 3 gauss ± 6 gauss		0.5 1.3		%FS
Hysteresis Error <sup>(3)</sup>	3 sweeps across ±3 gauss		0.06		%FS
Repeatability Error <sup>(3)</sup>	3 sweeps across ±3 gauss		0.05		%FS
Bridge Offset <sup>(2)</sup>	Offset = (OUT+) – (OUT-) Field = 0 gauss after Set pulse	-1.25	±0.5	+1.25	mV/V
Sensitivity <sup>(2)</sup>	Set/Reset Current = 0.5A	0.8	1.0	1.2	mV/V/gauss
Noise Density <sup>(3)</sup>	@ 1Hz, Vbridge=5V		50		nV/sqrt Hz
Resolution <sup>(3)</sup>	10Hz Bandwidth, Vbridge=5V		280		μgauss
Bandwidth <sup>(3)</sup>	Magnetic signal (lower limit = DC)		3		MHz
Sensitivity Tempco <sup>(3)</sup>	Ta= -40 to 125°C, Vbridge=5V		-2900		ppm/°C
Bridge Ohmic Tempco <sup>(3)</sup>	Vbridge=5V, T <sub>A</sub> = -40 to 125°C	2100	2500	2900	ppm/°C
Sensitivity Ratio of X,Y Sensors (HMC1052 Only) <sup>(3)</sup>	T <sub>A</sub> = -40 to 125°C	75	100	120	%
SET/RESET STRAP					
Resistance <sup>(2)</sup>	Measured from S/R+ to S/R-	3	4.5	6	ohms
Current <sup>(3)</sup>	0.1% duty cycle, or less, 2µsec current pulse	0.44	0.5	2	Amp
Resistance Tempco <sup>(3)</sup>	T <sub>A</sub> = -40 to 125°C		2350		ppm/°C
OFFSET STRAP					
Resistance, A,B <sup>(2)</sup> Resistance, C <sup>(2)</sup>	Measured from OFF+(A,B,C) to OFF-(A,B) Measured from OFF+(A,B,C) to OFF-(C)	12 5	15 8	18 11	Ohms Ohms
Offset Constant, A,B <sup>(3)</sup> Offset Constant, C <sup>(3)</sup>	DC Current Field applied in sensitive direction		11.5 10		mA/gauss mA/gauss
Resistance Tempco <sup>(3)</sup>	T <sub>A</sub> = -40 to 125°C		3300		ppm/°C

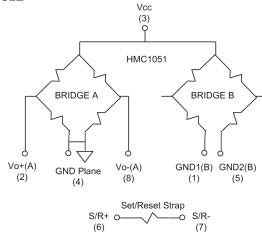
<sup>(1)</sup> By Design

<sup>(2)</sup> Tested in Production. Unless otherwise stated, test conditions are as follows: Power Supply = 12VDC, Ambient Temp = 25°C, Set/Reset switching is active except stated otherwise.

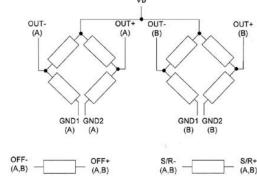
<sup>(3)</sup> Characterized

Pin Configurations (Arrow indicates direction of applied field that generates a positive output voltage after a SET pulse.)

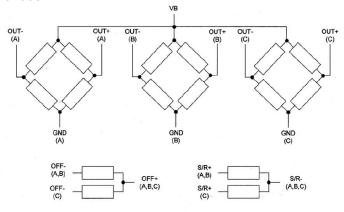
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# **HMC1052L**

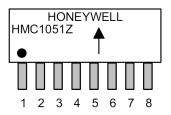


### **HMC1053**

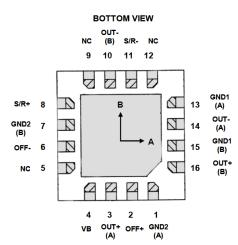


Note: HMC1053 sensors shipped after 2022 have reverse polarity of the C-axis sensor vs. the previous version.

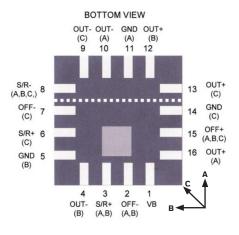
### **HMC1051Z Pinout**



# **HMC1052L Pinout**

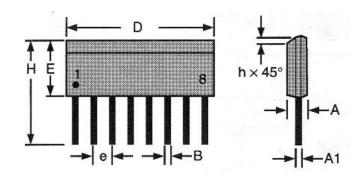


### **HMC1053 Pinout**



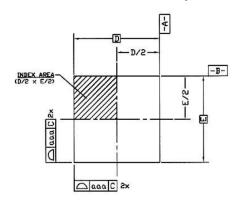
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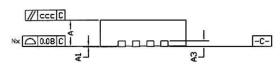
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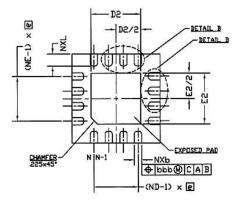


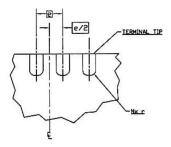
SYMBOL	MILLIMETERS		INCHES X 10E-3		
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
А	1.371	1.728	54	68	
A1	0.101	0.249	4	10	
В	0.355	0.483	14	19	
D	9.829	11.253	387	443	
E	3.810	3.988	150	157	
е	1.27	0 ref	50	ref	
Н	6.850	7.300	270	287	
h	0.381	0.762	15	30	

# PACKAGE DRAWING HMC1052L (16-PIN LCC)





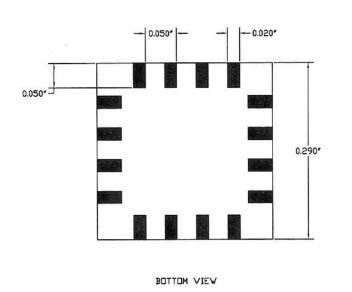




DETAIL B

CVMPOL	MILLIMETERS		
SYMBOL	MIN	MAX	
А	0.80	1.00	
A1	0	0.05	
АЗ	0.20 REF		
В	0.18	0.30	
D	3.00 BSC		
D2	1.55	1.80	
E	3.00 BSC		
E2	1.55	1.80	
е	0.50	BSC	
L	0.30	0.50	
N	1	6	
ND	4	<b>'</b>	
NE	4		
r	B(min)/2		
aaa	0	15	
bbb	0.10		
CCC	0.10		

# PACKAGE DRAWING HMC1053 (16-PIN LCC)





SIDE VIEW

# Stencil Design and Solder Paste

A 4 mil stencil and 100% paste coverage is recommended for the electrical contact pads.

### **Reflow and Rework**

The HMC1053 part should reference application note AN-216. The other part types have no special profile required and compatible with lead eutectic and lead-free solder paste reflow profiles up to 220°C. Honeywell recommends the adherence to solder paste manufacturer's guidelines. The HMC105X parts may be reworked with soldering irons, but extreme care must be taken not to overheat the copper pads from the part's fiberglass substrate. Irons with a tip temperature no greater than 315°C should be used. Excessive rework risks the copper pads pulling away into the molten solder.

### **Device Operation**

The Honeywell HMC105X family of magnetoresistive sensors are Wheatstone bridge devices to measure magnetic fields. With power supply applied to a bridge, the sensor converts any incident magnetic field in the sensitive axis direction to a differential voltage output. In addition to the bridge circuit, the sensor has two on-chip magnetically coupled straps; the offset strap and the set/reset strap. These straps are Honeywell patented features for incident field adjustment and magnetic domain alignment; and eliminate the need for external coils positioned around the sensors.

The magnetoresistive sensors are made of a nickel-iron (Permalloy) thin-film deposited on a silicon wafer and patterned as a resistive strip element. In the presence of a magnetic field, a change in the bridge resistive elements causes a corresponding change in voltage across the bridge outputs.

These resistive elements are aligned together to have a common sensitive axis (indicated by arrows on the pinouts) that will provide positive voltage change with magnetic fields increasing in the sensitive direction. Because the output only is in proportion to the one-dimensional axis (the principle of anisotropy) and its magnitude, additional sensor bridges placed at orthogonal directions permit accurate measurement of arbitrary field direction. The combination of sensor bridges in two and three orthogonal axis permit applications such as compassing and magnetometry.

The offset strap allows for several modes of operation when a direct current is driven through it. These modes are: 1) Subtraction (bucking) of an unwanted external magnetic field, 2) nulling of the bridge offset voltage, 3) Closed loop field cancellation, and 4) Auto-calibration of bridge gain.

The set/reset strap can be pulsed with high currents for the following benefits: 1) Enable the sensor to perform high sensitivity measurements, 2) Flip the polarity of the bridge output voltage, and 3) Periodically used to improve linearity, lower cross-axis effects, and temperature effects.

### **Noise Characteristics**

The noise density for the HMR105X series is around 50nV/sqrt Hz at the 1 Hz corner, and quickly drops below 10nV/sqrt Hz at 5Hz and begins to fit the Johnson Noise value at just below 5nV/sqrt Hz beyond 50Hz. The 10Hz noise voltage averages around 1.4 micro-volts with a 0.8 micro-volts standard deviation.

### Cross-Axis Effect

Cross-Axis effect for the HMR105X series is typically specified at ±3% of full scale to 1 gauss. See application note AN215 regarding this effect and methods for nulling.

# **Offset Strap**

The offset strap is a spiral of metallization that couples in the sensor element's sensitive axis. In two-axis designs, the strap is common to both bridges and must be multiplexed if each bridge requires a different strap current. In three-axis designs, the A and B bridges are together with the C bridge sharing a common node for series driving all three bridges' offset straps. Each offset strap nominally requires 10mA for each gauss of induced field. The straps will easily handle currents to buck or boost fields through the ±6 gauss linear measurement range, but designers should note the extreme thermal heating on the die when doing so. Note that the "C" offset strap of HMC1053 has lower resistance than the "AB" strap.

With most applications, the offset strap is not utilized and can be ignored. Designers can leave one or both strap connections (Off- and Off+) open circuited, or ground one connection node. Do not tie both strap connections together to avoid shorted turn magnetic circuits.

# Set/Reset Strap

The set/reset strap is another spiral of metallization that couples to the sensor elements easy axis (perpendicular to the sensitive axis on the sensor die). Like the offset strap, the set/reset strap runs through a pair of bridge elements to keep the overall die size compact. Each set/reset strap has a nominal resistance of 3 to 6 ohms with a minimum required peak current of 400mA for reset or set pulses. With rare exception, the set/reset strap must be used to periodically condition the magnetic domains of the magneto-resistive elements for best and reliable performance.

A set pulse is defined as a positive pulse current entering the S/R+ strap connection. The successful result would be the magnetic domains aligned in a forward easy-axis direction so that the sensor bridge's polarity is a positive slope with positive fields on the sensitive axis result in positive voltages across the bridge output connections.

A reset pulse is defined as a negative pulse current entering the S/R+ strap connection. The successful result would be the magnetic domains aligned in a reverse easy-axis direction so that sensor bridge's polarity is a negative slope with positive fields on the sensitive axis result in negative voltages across the bridge output connections. X1

Typically a reset pulse is sent first, followed by a set pulse a few milliseconds later. By shoving the magnetic domains in completely opposite directions, any prior magnetic disturbances are likely to be completely erased by the duet of pulses. For simpler circuits with less critical requirements for noise and accuracy, a single polarity pulse circuit may be employed (all sets or all resets). With these unipolar pulses, several pulses together become close in performance to a set/ reset pulse circuit. Figure 1 shows a quick and dirty manual pulse circuit for unipolar application of pulses to the set/reset strap.

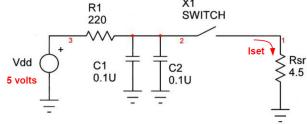


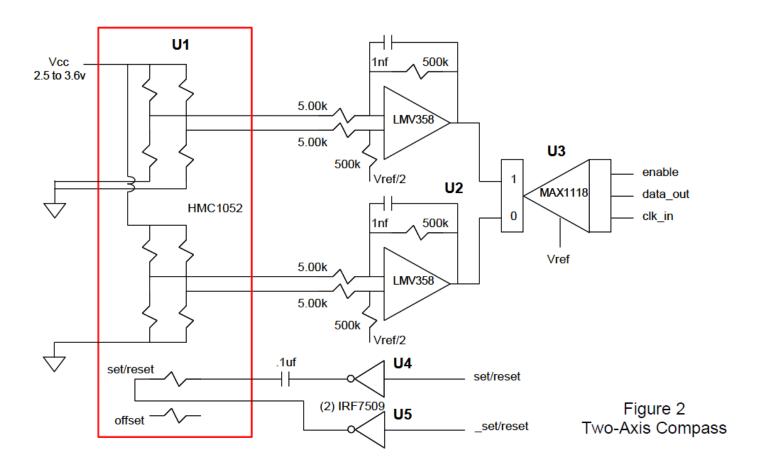
Figure 1 Set Pulse Circuit

# **APPLICATION NOTES**

### **Low Cost 2-Axis Compass**

Very high precision measurements can be made using the HMC105X family of sensors when interfaced with low noise amplifiers and 12 to 16-bit Analog-to-Digital (A/D) converters. For lower resolution (3° accuracy or more) or low cost compass applications, 8 or 10-bit A/D converters may be used with general purpose operational amplifiers. Figure 2 shows a typical 2-axis compassing application using readily available off-the-shelf components.

The basic principle of two-axis compassing is to orient the two sensor bridge elements horizontal to the ground (perpendicular to the gravitational field) and to measure the resulting X and Y analog output voltages. With the amplified sensor bridge voltages near-simultaneously converted (measured) to their digital equivalents, the arc-tangent Y/X can be computed to derive the heading information relative to the X-axis sensitive direction. See the application notes on compassing at Honeywell Magnetic Sensors website (www.magneticsensors.com) for basic principles and detailed application information.

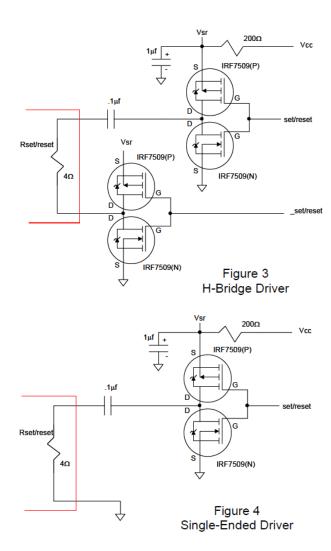


# **SET/RESET CIRCUIT NOTES**

The above set/reset circuit in Figure 1 using the IRF7507 dual complementary MOSFETs is shown in detail by Figure 2 in its H-bridge driven configuration. This configuration is used primarily in battery operated applications were the 500mA nominal set/reset pulsed currents can be best obtained under low voltage conditions.

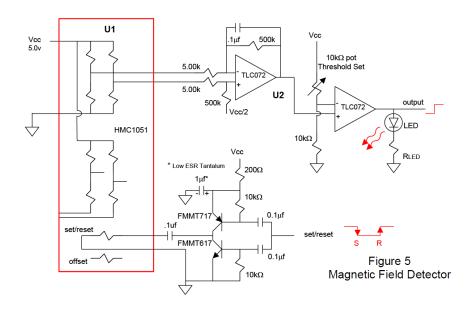
The 200-ohm resistor trickle charges the 1uf supply reservoir capacitor to the Vcc level, and isolates the battery from the high current action of the capacitors and MOSFET switches. Under conventional logic states one totem pole switch holds one node of the 0.1uf capacitor low, while the other switch charges Vcc into the capacitors opposite node. At the first logic change, the capacitor exhibits almost a twice Vcc flip of polarity, giving the series set/reset strap load plenty of pulse current. A restoring logic state flip uses the 0.1uf capacitors stored energy to create a second nearly equal but opposite polarity current pulse through the set/reset strap.

For operation at normal 3.3 or 5-volt logic levels, a single complementary MOSFET pair can be used in a single ended circuit shown in Figure 4. Other complementary MOSFET pairs can be used with the caution that the chosen devices should have less than 0.5 ohms ON resistance and be able to handle the needed supply voltages and set/reset currents. Note that even a 1Hz rate of set/reset function draws an average current of less than 2 microamperes.



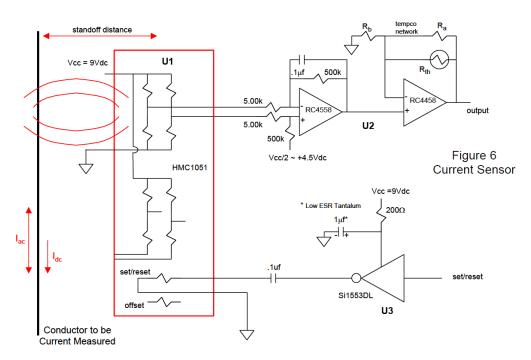
### **MAGNETIC FIELD DETECTION**

For simple magnetic field sensing applications such as Magnetic Anomaly Detectors (MADs) and Magnetometers, a similar circuit to the compass application can be implemented using one, two, or three magnetic sensors. In the example circuit in Figure 5, a HMC1051Z sensor bridge is used with a low voltage capable dual op-amp to detect sufficient intensity of a magnetic field in a single direction. Uses of the circuit include ferrous object detection such as vehicle detection, a "sniffer" for currents in nearby conductors, and magnetic proximity switching. By using two or three sensor circuits with HMC1051Z, HMC1052, or HMC1053 parts, a more omni-directional sensing pattern can be implemented. There is nothing special in choosing the resistors for the differential op-amp gain stages other than having like values (e.g. the two  $5k\Omega$  and the  $500k\Omega$  resistors) matched at 1% tolerance or better to reject common-mode interference signals (EMI, RFI). The ratio of the  $500k\Omega/5k\Omega$  resistors sets the stage gain and can be optimized for a specific purpose. Typical gain ratios for compass and magnetometer circuits using the HMC105X family range from 50 to 500. The choice of the  $5k\Omega$  value sets impedance loading seen by the sensor bridge network and should be about 4 kilo-ohms or higher for best voltage transfer or matching. Note that Figure 5 also shows an alternative set/reset strap driver circuit using two Darlington complementary-paired BJTs as electronic switches.



# **ALTERNATING OR DIRECT CURRENT SENSING**

The HMC105X family sensors can be utilized in a novel way for moderate to high current sensing applications using a nearby external conductor providing the sensed magnetic field to the bridge. Figure 6 shows a HMC1051Z used as a current sensor with thermistor element performing a temperature compensation function for greater accuracy over a wide range of operational temperatures. Selection of the temperature compensation (Tempco) resistors used depends on the thermistor chosen and is dependent on the thermistor's %/°C shift of resistance. For best op-amp compatibility, the thermistor resistance should be above about 1000 ohms. The use of a 9-volt alkaline battery supply is not critical to this application, but permits fairly common operational amplifiers such as the 4558 types to be used. Note that the circuit must be calibrated based on the final displacement of the sensed conductor to the measuring bridge. Typically, an optimally oriented measurement conductor can be placed about one centimeter away from the bridge and have reasonable capability of measuring from tens of milliamperes to beyond 20 amperes of alternating or direct currents. See application note AN-209 for the basic principles of current sensing using AMR bridges.



# THREE AXIS COMPASSING WITH TILT COMPENSATION

For full three-axis compassing, the circuit depicted in Figure 7 shows both a HMC1051 and a HMC1052 used for sensing the magnetic field in three axes. Alternatively a single HMC1053 could be used for a single sensor package design. A two-axis accelerometer with digital (PWM) outputs is also shown to provide pitch and roll (tilt) sensing, to correct the three-axis magnetic sensors outputs into to the tilt-compensated two-axis heading. The accelerometer can be substituted with a fluidic 2-axis tilt sensor if desired. For lower voltage operation with Lithium battery supplies (2.5 to 3.6Vdc), the Set/Reset circuit should be upgraded from a single IRF7507 to the dual IRF7507 implementation (per Figure 2) to permit a minimum 1-ampere pulse (500mA per set/reset strap resistance) to both the HMC1052 and HMC1051 sensors.

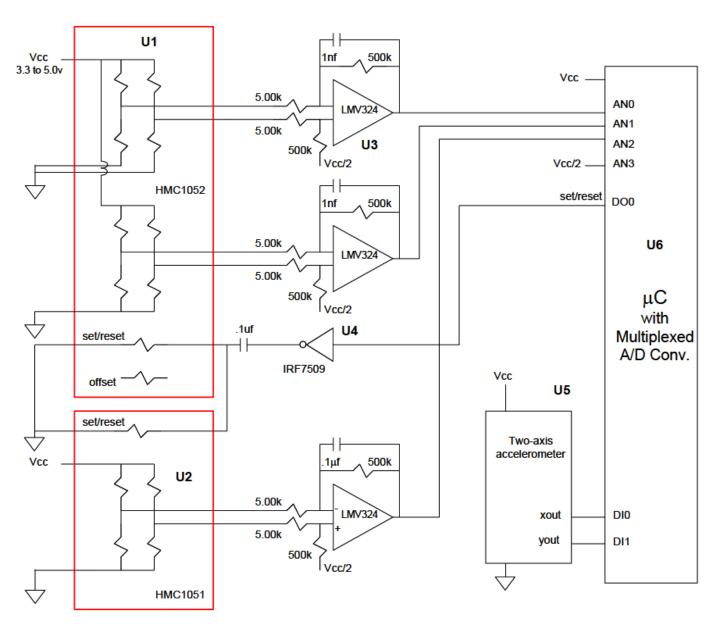
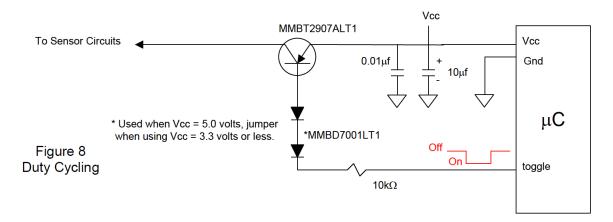


Figure 7 Three Axis Compass

### **DUTY CYCLING FOR LOWER ENERGY CONSUMPTION**

For battery powered and other applications needing limited energy consumption, the sensor bridge and support electronics can be switched "off" between magnetic field measurements. The HMC105X family of magnetic sensors are very low capacitance (Bandwidth > 5MHz) sensor bridges and can stabilize quickly, typically before the support electronics can. Other energy saving ideas would be to minimize the quantity of set/reset pulses which saves energy over the battery life. Figure 8 shows a simple supply switching circuit that can be microprocessor controlled to duty cycle (toggle) the electronics in moderate current (<25mA) applications.



# ORDERING INFORMATION

MODEL NUMBER	HONEYWELL PART NUMBER	PACKAGE STYLE
HMC1051Z	22024168-015	One Axis Magnetic Sensor – SIP8
HMC1052L	22024168-008	Two Axis Magnetic Sensors – 16-PIN LCC
HMC1053	58039440-001	Three Axis Magnetic Sensors – 16-PIN LCC

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