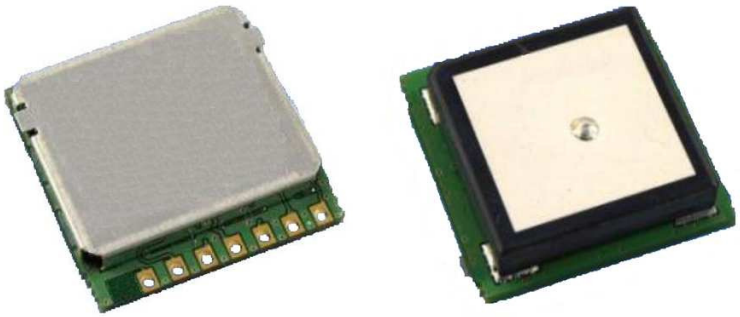
Low-Power High-Performance and Low-Cost 65 Channel GPS Engine Board (Flash based)



Data Sheet

Abstract
Technical data sheet describing the cost effective, high-performance **GPS622F** based series of ultra high sensitive GPS modules.

The **GPS622F** is a GPS module that is sensitive to ***electrostatic dis- charge*** **(ESD)**. Please handle with appropriate care.

The Acceptability of Electronic Assemblies of this module has been under **IPC-A-610D** specification

Version History

Rev.	Date	Description
1.0	12-07-09	Initial Draft – preliminary information
2.0	01-03-10	Adding the Internal Antenna Specification

Flash Version Support the following Features

- Binary code
- Selectable NMEA Output Data Sentences
- Selectable Serial Port Settings. (4800/9600/38400/115200bps. Default : 9600)
- Selectable update rate (1 / 2 / 4 / 5 / 8 / 10 Hz update rate (1Hz default))
- Firmware Upgradeable

1 Functional Description

1.1 Introduction

The GPS-622F a highly integrated smart GPS module with a ceramic GPS patch antenna. The antenna is connected to the module via an LNA. The module is with 54 channel acquisition engine and 14 channel track engine, which be capable of receiving signals from up to 68 GPS satellites and transferring them into the precise position and timing information that can be read over UART port. Small size and high-end GPS functionality are at low power consumption, the LVTTL-level signal interface is provided on the interface connector, supply voltage of 3V~5.5V is supported.

The compact 22mm x 22mm form factor allows it to be used in many applications.

The smart GPS antenna module is available as an off-the-shelf component, 100% tested. The smart GPS antenna module can be offered for OEM applications with the versatile adaptation in form and connection. Additionally, the antenna can be tuned to the final systems' circumstances.

1.2 Features

- 68 Channel GPS L1 C/A Code
- Perform 8 million time-frequency hypothesis testing per second
- 65 Channel GPS L1 C/A Code
- Perform 8 million time-frequency hypothesis testing per second
- Open sky hot start 1 sec, Open sky cold start 29 sec
- Signal detection better than -165dBm
- Multipath detection and suppression
- Accuracy 2.5m CEP
- Maximum update rate 20Hz
- Tracking current ~33Ma
- Supports external active antenna

1.3 Applications

- Automotive and Marine Navigation
- Automotive Navigator Tracking
- Emergency Locator
- Personal Positioning

2 Characteristics

2.1 General Specification

Parameter	Specification
Receiver Type	68 Channels GPS L1 frequency, C/A Code
Time-To-First-Fix	Cold Start (Autonomous) 29s (Average, under open sky) Warm Start (Autonomous) 29s (Average, under open sky) Hot Start (Autonomous) 29s (Average, under open sky)
Sensitivity	Tracking & Navigation -165 dBm Reacquisition -158 dBm Cold Start (Autonomous) -148 dBm
Accuracy	Autonomous 2.5 m CEP Velocity 0.1 m/sec (without aid) Time 300 ns
Update Rate	Supports 1 / 2 / 4 / 5 / 8 / 10 Hz update Rate (1Hz default)
Velocity Accuracy	0.1m/s
Heading Accuracy	0.5 degrees
Dynamics	4 G (39.2 m/sec)
Operational Limits	Velocity 515 m/s (1000 knots) Altitude <18000 meters (COCOM limit, either may be exceeded but not both)
Serial Interface	LVTTL level
Datum	Default WGS-84 User definable
Input Voltage	3.3V -5.5V DC +/-10%
Input Current	~23 mA tracking
Dimension	22L x 22W x H (mm)
Weight	25g
Chipset	Venus 6

Table 1: GPS-622F general specification

*: GPGGA, GPGSA, GPGSV, GPRMC, GPVTG are default output message

2.2 Serial Port Settings

The default configuration within the standard GPS firmware is the Standard configuration of serial port:

- Supporting 9600 baud rate, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, no flow control

2.3 GPS Status Indicator

- **Non-Fixed mode : LED is always on**
- **Fixed mode : LED toggle every second**

1. Communication Specifications

Item	Description
Interface	Full duplex serial interface
Bit rate	Default 9600
Start bit	1bit
Stop bit	1bit
Data bit	8bit
Parity	None
Transmission data	SACII NMEA0183 Ver:3.01
Update rate	1Hz
Output sentence	GGA/GSA/GSV/RMC/VTG (typ)

Table 2: Communication specifications

2.6 Multi-path Mitigation

Multipath refers to the existence of signals reflected from objects in the vicinity of a receiver's antenna that corrupt the direct line-of-sight signals from the GPS satellites, thus degrading the accuracy of both code-based and carrier phase–based measurements. Particularly difficult is close-in multipath in which the reflected secondary signals arrive only slightly later (within about 100 nanoseconds) than does the direct-path signal, having been reflected from objects only a short distance from the receiver antenna.

GPS-622F deploys the advanced multi-path detection and suppression algorithm to reduce multipath errors, the GPS signals themselves can be designed to provide inherent resistance to multipath errors

2.7 Operating Conditions

Description	Min	Typical	Max
V_{CC}	2.7v	3.3v	5.5v
Enhanced-mode Acquisition Low power Acquisition Current Tracking Current		70 mA 50mA 23mA	

Table 3: Operating Conditions

2.8 1PPS Output

The GPS receiver is in navigation mode upon power-up, with 1PPS output free running. After 3 minutes of valid position fix and remaining under static-mode, the receiver changes to timing-mode, with 1PPS output signal synchronized to the UTC second. The receiver will change to navigation-mode, with 1PPS output free running, if the receiver is in motion. The 1PPS output will become synchronized to the UTC second again after the receiver had remained in static mode for 3 minutes.

2.9 Antenna

A numbers of important properties of GNSS antennas affect functionality and performance, including;

- Frequency coverage
- Gain pattern
- Circular polarization
- Multipath suppression
- Phase Centre
- Impact on receiver sensitivity
- Interference handling

The GPS-622F module is designed to work both active and passive antenna. Active antenna with gain in range of 10 ~ 30dB and noise figure less than 2dB can be used.

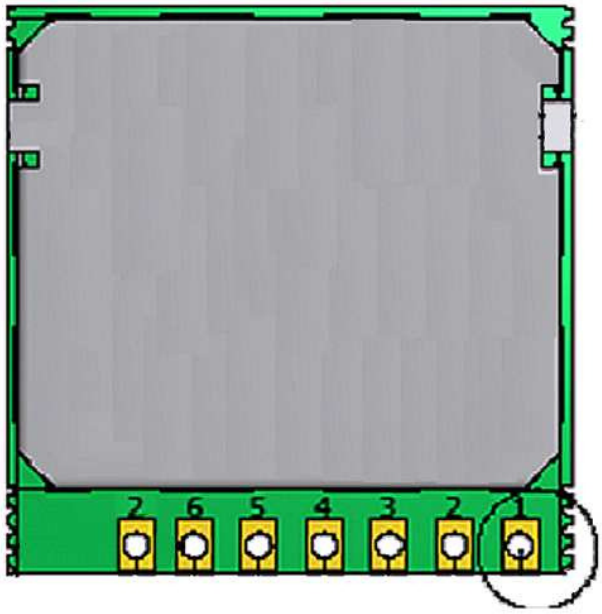
2.10 Mechanical Characteristics

Mechanical dimensions	Length Width Height	22 mm 22 mm 8 mm
Weight		30g (may vary)

3 PINOUT DESCRIPTION

Pin Number	Signal Name	Description
1	**RXD**	UART input, 3V LVTTL for SUP500R, SUP500RB
2	**TXD**	UART output, 3V LVTTL for SUP500R, SUP500RB UART output, RS232 level for SUP500RR
3	**GND**	System ground
4	**VDD**	Main3.3V ~ 5.5V supply input
5	**VBAT***	Backup supply voltage for RTC and SRAM, 1.5V ~ 5.5V
6	**P1PS**	1 pulse per second time mark output
7	**PSE_SEL**	Search Engine Mode select: 1: Low power acquisition mode (default), acquisition current ~50mA 0: Enhanced acquisition mode, acquisition current ~70mA

* Note: Both VDD and VBAT need to be connected in order for the module to work.*



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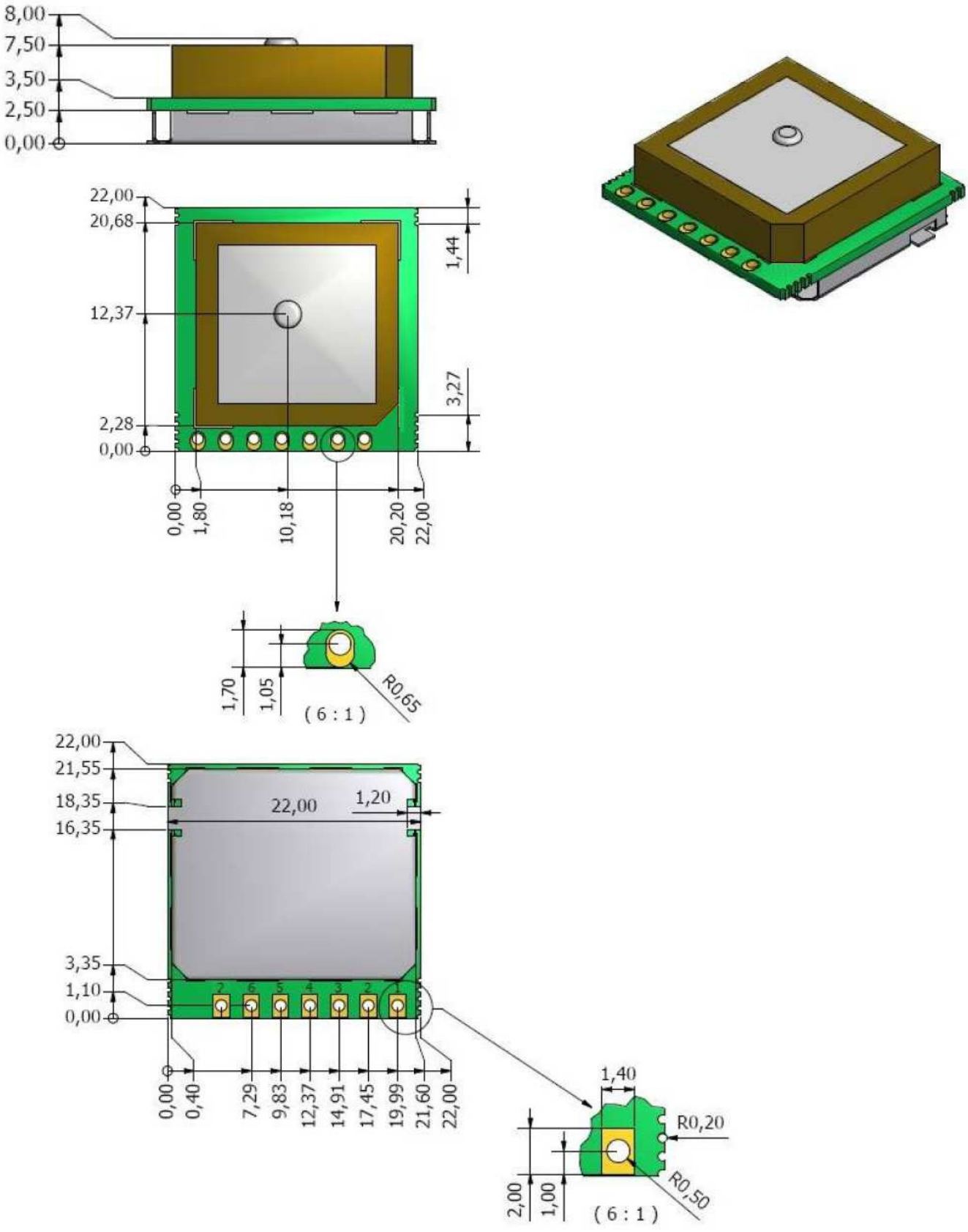

Table 4: Pin definition

4. Environmental Conditions

Parameter		Specification
Temperature	Operating	-40℃~+85℃
	Storage	-40℃~+85℃
Humidity		5%~95%
Storage		6 months in original vacuum package.

Table 5: Environmental conditions

5. NMEA protocol

The serial interface protocol is based on the National Marine Electronics Association's NMEA 0183 ASCII interface specification. This standard is fully define in "NMEA 0183, Version 3.01" The standard may be obtained from NMEA, www.nmea.org

5.1 GGA-GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM FIX DATA

Time, position and fix related data for a GPS receiver.

Structure:

$GPGGA,hhmmss.sss,ddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,x,xx,x.x,x.x,M,x.x,M,x.x,xxxx*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Example:

$GPGGA,060932.448,2447.0959,N,12100.5204,E,1,08,1.1,108.7,M,,,,0000*0E<CR><LF>

Field	Name	Example	Description
1	UTC Time	060932.448	UTC of position in hhmmss.sss format, (000000.00 ~ 235959.99)
2	Latitude	2447.0959	Latitude in ddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
3	N/S Indicator	N	Latitude hemisphere indicator, 'N' = North, 'S' = South
4	Longitude	12100.5204	Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
5	E/W Indicator	E	Longitude hemisphere indicator, 'E' = East, 'W' = West
6	GPS quality indicator	1	GPS quality indicator 0: position fix unavailable 1: valid position fix, SPS mode 2: valid position fix, differential GPS mode 3: GPS PPS Mode, fix valid 4: Real Time Kinematic. System used in RTK mode with fixed integers 5: Float RTK. Satellite system used in RTK mode. Floating integers

			6: Estimated (dead reckoning) Mode 7: Manual Input Mode 8: Simulator Mode
7	Satellites Used	08	Number of satellites in use, (00 ~ 12)
8	HDOP	1.1	Horizontal dilution of precision, (00.0 ~ 99.9)
9	Altitude	108.7	mean sea level (geoid), (-9999.9 ~ 17999.9)
10	Geoid Separation		Geoid separation in meters according to WGS-84 ellipsoid (-999.9 ~ 9999.9)
11	DGPS Age		Age of DGPS data since last valid RTCM transmission in xxx format (seconds) NULL when DGPS not used
12	DGPS Station ID	0000	Differential reference station ID, 0000 ~ 1023 NULL when DGPS not used
13	Checksum	0E	

Note: The checksum field starts with a '*' and consists of 2 characters representing a hex number. The checksum is the exclusive OR of all characters between '$' and '*'.

5.2 GLL - LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE, WITH TIME OF POSITION FIX AND STATUS

Latitude and longitude of current position, time, and status.

Structure:

$GPGLL,ddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,hhmmss.sss,A,a*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Example:

$GPGLL,4250.5589,S,14718.5084,E,092204.999,A,A*2D<CR><LF>

Field	Name	Example	Description
1	Latitude	4250.5589	Latitude in ddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
2	N/S Indicator	S	Latitude hemisphere indicator 'N' = North 'S' = South
3	Longitude	14718.5084	Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
4	E/W Indicator	E	Longitude hemisphere indicator 'E' = East 'W' = West
5	UTC Time	092204.999	UTC time in hhmmss.sss format (000000.00 ~ 235959.99)
6	Status	A	Status, 'A' = Data valid, 'V' = Data not valid
7	Mode Indicator	A	Mode indicator 'N' = Data not valid 'A' = Autonomous mode 'D' = Differential mode 'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode 'M' = Manual input mode 'S' = Simulator mode
8	Checksum	2D	

5.3 GSA - GPS DOP AND ACTIVE SATELLITES

GPS receiver operating mode, satellites used in the navigation solution reported by the GGA or GNS sentence and DOP values.

Structure:

$GPGSA,A,x,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,x.x,x.x,x.x*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 5 6 7

Example:

$GPGSA,A,3,01,20,19,13,,,,,,,,,40.4,24.4,32.2*0A<CR><LF>

Field	Name	Example	Description
1	Mode	A	Mode 'M' = Manual, forced to operate in 2D or 3D mode 'A' = Automatic, allowed to automatically switch 2D/3D
2	Mode	3	Fix type 1 = Fix not available 2 = 2D 3 = 3D
3	Satellite used 1~12	01,20,19,13,,,,,,,,	Satellite ID number, 01 to 32, of satellite used in solution, up to 12 transmitted
4	PDOP	40.4	Position dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)
5	HDOP	24.4	Horizontal dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)
6	VDOP	32.2	Vertical dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)
7	Checksum	0A	

5.4 GSV - GPS SATELLITE IN VIEW

Numbers of satellites in view, PRN number, elevation angle, azimuth angle, and C/No. Four satellites details are transmitted per message. Additional satellite in view information is send in subsequent GSV messages.

Structure:

$GPGSV,x,x,xx,xx,xx,xxx,xx,…,xx,xx,xxx,xx *hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 4 5 6 7 8

Example:

$GPGSV,3,1,09,28,81,225,41,24,66,323,44,20,48,066,43,17,45,336,41*78<CR><LF>

$GPGSV,3,2,09,07,36,321,45,04,36,257,39,11,20,050,41,08,18,208,43*77<CR><LF>

Field	NaME	Example	Description
1	Number of message	3	Total number of GSV messages to be transmitted (1-3)
2	Sequence number	1	Sequence number of current GSV message
3	Satellites in view	09	Total number of satellites in view (00 ~ 12)
4	Satellite ID	28	Satellite ID number, GPS: 01 ~ 32, SBAS: 33 ~ 64 (33 = PRN120)
5	Elevation	81	Satellite elevation in degrees, (00 ~ 90)
6	Azimuth	225	Satellite azimuth angle in degrees, (000 ~ 359)
7	SNR	41	C/No in dB (00 ~ 99) Null when not tracking
8	Checksum	78	

5.5 RMC - RECOMMANDED MINIMUM SPECIFIC GPS/TRANSIT DATA

Time, date, position, course and speed data provided by a GNSS navigation receiver.

Structure:

$GPRMC,hhmmss.sss,A,dddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,x.x,x.x,ddmmyy,x.x,a,a*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Example:

$GPRMC,092204.999,A,4250.5589,S,14718.5084,E,0.00,89.68,211200,,A*25<CR><LF>

Field	NaME	Example	Description
1	UTC time	092204.999	UTC time in hhmmss.sss format (000000.00 ~ 235959.999)
2	Status	A	Status 'V' = Navigation receiver warning 'A' = Data Valid
3	Latitude	4250.5589	Latitude in dddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
4	N/S indicator	S	Latitude hemisphere indicator 'N' = North 'S' = South
5	Longitude	14718.5084	Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format Leading zeros transmitted
6	E/W Indicator	E	Longitude hemisphere indicator 'E' = East 'W' = West
7	Speed over ground	000.0	Speed over ground in knots (000.0 ~ 999.9)
8	Course over ground	000.0	Course over ground in degrees (000.0 ~ 359.9)
9	UTC Date	211200	UTC date of position fix, ddmmyy format
10	Magnetic variation		Magnetic variation in degrees (000.0 ~ 180.0)
11	Magnetic Variation		Magnetic variation direction 'E' = East 'W' = West
12	Mode indicator	A	Mode indicator 'N' = Data not valid 'A' = Autonomous mode 'D' = Differential mode 'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode 'M' = Manual input mode 'S' = Simulator mode
13	checksum	25	

5.6 VTG - COURSE OVER GROUND AND GROUND SPEED

The Actual course and speed relative to the ground.

Structure:

GPVTG,x.x,T,x.x,M,x.x,N,x.x,K,a*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6

Example:

$GPVTG,89.68,T,,M,0.00,N,0.0,K,A*5F<CR><LF>

Field	Name	Example	Description
1	Course	89.68	True course over ground in degrees (000.0 ~ 359.9)
2	Course		Magnetic course over ground in degrees (000.0 ~ 359.9)
3	Speed	0.00	Speed over ground in knots (000.0 ~ 999.9)
4	Speed	0.00	Speed over ground in kilometers per hour (0000.0 ~ 1800.0)
5	Mode	A	Mode indicator 'N' = not valid 'A' = Autonomous mode 'D' = Differential mode 'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode 'M' = Manual input mode 'S' = Simulator mode
6	Checksum	5F	

5.7 ZDA- TIME AND DATE

Structure:

$GPRMC,hhmmss.sss,dd,mm.yyyy, , ,xxx<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Example:

$GPZDA,104548.04,25,03,2004,,*6C<CR><LF>

Field	Name	Example	Description
1	UTC time	104548.04	UTC time in hhmmss.ss format, 000000.00 ~ 235959.99
2	UTC time: day	25	UTC time day (01 ... 31)
3	UTC time: month	03	UTC time: month (01 ... 12)
4	UTC time: year	2004	UTC time: year (4 digit year)
5			Local zone hour Not being output by the receiver (NULL)
6			Local zone minutes Not being output by the receiver (NULL)
7	6C	6C	Checksum

6. Links

http://www.skytraq.com.tw/download/AN0003_v3.pdf - Skytraq Application Note AN0003

http://www.sparkfun.com/datasheets/GPS/Modules/AN0003_v1.4.8.pdf

Please note that not all the commands in the application note apply for this module; for additional information please contact SkyTraq directly.

7. Contact Information

We hope this datasheet will be helpful to the user to get the most out of the GPS module, furthermore feedback inputs about errors or mistakable verbalizations and comments or proposals to **RF Solutions Ltd.**. for further improvements are highly appreciated.