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UGL-1612 Operational Manual

INTRODUCTION

The **UGL-1612** is the newest generation of KNCTEK GNSS positioning module. The GNSS Module is powered by U-Blox & KNCTEK technology and easy to integrate and combine exceptional positioning performance with highly flexible power, design, and connectivity options. The miniature design is the best choice to be embedded in a portable device various Trackers, Vehicle & personal Locaters and etc. The excellent sensitivity of **UGL-1612** gets the great performance when going though the urban canyon and foliage environmental condition.

PRODUCT FEATURES

- ♦ GPS, GLONASS, Beidou, Galileo, QZSS, SBAS(WAAS, MSAS, EGNOS, GAGAN) supported(default : GPS, GLONASS including QZSS, SBAS)
- ♦ 72-channel u-blox M8 Engine
- ♦ Operable from 3.3V/ 48mA for Acquisition and 40mA for Tracking Mode
- Signal Detection better than -167dBm in Ultra High Tracking Sensitivity
- ♦ Enhanced Cold Acquisition Sensitivity at -148dBm and Reacquisition at -160dBm
- ♦ Fast TTFF 26 seconds for Cold start
- ♦ Advanced Multipath detection and suppression
- ♦ Jamming detection and mitigation
- ♦ AssistNow Autonomous 3days
- ♦ Excellent Sensitive for Urban Canyon and Foliage Environmental condition
- ♦ NMEA-0183 compliant protocol
- ♦ Automotive-grade Quality GPS/GLONASS solution
- ♦ Small form factor (16X12.2X2.4mm)
- ♦ ODM/OEM development is fully supported Application Engineering
- ♦ RoHS compliant

PRODUCT APPLICATION

- ♦ Automotive applications
- ♦ Speed camera detector
- ♦ Personal and Car navigation
- ♦ Marine navigation
- ♦ Timing application and the others



PRODUCT PICTURE



UGL-1612 SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM

The UGL-1612 consists of U-Blox8 chipsets Technology. The system is described as follows.





TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

1. Electrical Characteristics

1.1 Absolute Maximum Rating

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Мах	Units
Power Supply				
Power Supply Volt.	VCC	-0.3	3.6	V
Input Pins				
Input Pin Voltage	Vin	-0.3	VCC_IO+0.5	V
Backup Battery	Vbat	1.4	3.6	V
Environment				•
Operating Temperature	Topr	-30	85	°C
Storage Temperature	Tstg	-40	85	°C
Peak Reflow Soldering Temperature < 10S	Tpeak		260	Ĵ

Note : Absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only, and functional operation at the maximums is not guaranteed. Stress beyond the limits specified in this table may affect device reliability or cause permanent damage to the device.

For functional operating conditions, please refer to the operating conditions tables as follow.

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Тур	Мах	Units
Power supply voltage	VCC		2.7	3.3	3.6	V
Power Supply voltage	Vcc_PP	Vcc = 3.3V			50	mV
ripple						
Acquisition current	IccA	Vcc = 3.3V		48		mA
Tracking current	lccT	Vcc = 3.3V		40		mA
Input high voltage	V _{IH}		0.7*Vcc_IO			V
Input low voltage	V _{IL}				0.2*Vcc_IO	V
Output high voltage	V _{OH}		Vcc_IO-0.4			V
Output low voltage	V _{OL}				0.4	V

1.2 Operating Condition



Parameter	Specification	
Receiver Type	GPS/GLONASS, 72 Char	nnel u-blox M8 engine
Sensitivity	Tracking	-167dBm
	Re-acquisition	-160dBm
	Cold Start	-148dBm
Accuracy	Position	2.5m CEP
	Velocity	0.05m/s
Acquisition Time	Cold Start	26 sec. typical (Open sky ¹)
	Hot Start	1 sec. typical (Open sky)
	Reacquisition Time	1 sec(Open sky, re-appear
		after some seconds)
	AssistNow Autonomous	Self-aided ephemeris estimation : 15 ~
		20 sec. avg
Power Consumption	Tracking	40mA @ 3.3V
	Acquisition	48mA @ 3.3V
	Back-up	15uA @ 3V
Navigation Data Update	1Hz_Default In	case of using Binary input : Max 10Hz
Rate		
Operational Limits	Velocity	Max 500 m/s
	Altitude	Max 50,000m
	Acceleration	Less than 4g(39.2m/sec ²)
Mechanical data	Dimension	16.0 X 12.2 X 2.4mm (+/- 0.3mm)
	Weight	1.0grams ±5%
Protocol	NMEA-0183 V4.0	GNRMC 1Hz(one time per sec)
		GNVTG 1Hz
		GNGGA 1Hz
		GNGSA 1Hz
		GPGSV 1Hz
		GLGSV 1Hz
		GNGLL 1Hz

2. General & Performance Specification

** ¹Open Sky means no obstructions in the sky



RECOMMENDED GPS/GLONASS ACTIVE EXTERNAL ANTENNA

It's recommended to use a GPS/GLONASS active external antenna with supply voltage of 3.3VDC and a current draw of 15mA maximum. The quality of the GPS/GLONASS active external antenna chosen is of paramount importance for the overall sensitivity of the GPS/GLONASS system. A GPS/GLONASS active external antenna should have a typical gain 20dB and a noise figure \leq 1.5dB, which applies to more than 90% of the antennas available in the market.

Characteristics	Specification
Center Frequency	GPS : 1575.42±1.023MHz, GLONASS : 1602±4MHz
Band Width(-10dB return loss)	10MHz @ each Band
Gain at Zenith	5.0dBi Typical
VSWR	2.0 : 1 Max
Polarization	R.H.C.P
Axial Ratio	3.0dB max
Gain	Typical 25dB (minimum 20dB)
Noise Figure	Less than 1.5dB
Out Band Attenuation	20dB min for ±50MHz
Voltage	3.0 ± 10%VDC or 2.7 ~ 3.3 VDC
Current	< 15 mA

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3.3V GPS/GLONASS Active External Antenna Specification



MECHANICAL LAYOT



RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN DIMENSION





HARDWARE INTERFACE

1. Example 1 for GPS/GLONASS External Active Antenna



2. Example 1 for GPS/GLONASS Patch Antenna





DEFINITION OF PIN ASSIGNDMENT

PIN	SIGNAL NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	CHARACTER
1	NC	-	Not connecting	
2	NC	-	Not connecting	
3	1PPS	0	1 Pulse per Second	Leave open if not used
4	NC	-	Not connecting	
5	NC	-	Not connecting	
6	NC	_	Not connecting	
7	NC	-	Not connecting	
8	RESET	Ι	RESET(Active LOW)	Leave open for normal operation
9	VCC_RF	0	Voltage output of VCC_RF	Output voltage for Active Antenna
10	GND	GND	Ground	
11	BE IN	1	GPS/GLONASS SIGNAL INPUT	50Ω Impedance Line @ GPS/GLONASS
				/ 3.3V Bias output for Active Antenna
12	GND	GND	Ground	
13	GND	GND	Ground	
14	NC	_	Not connecting	
15	NC	-	Not connecting	
16	NC	_	Not connecting	
17	NC	_	Not connecting	
18	NC	-	Not connecting	
19	NC	-	Not connecting	
20	TXD	0	UART TX	UART Serial Data Output, 3.3V LVTTL
21	RXD	I	UART RX	UART Serial Data Input, 3.3V LVTTL
22	VBAT	I	Backup Battery supply	DC +1.4V ~ +3.6V
23	VCC	I	DC Power Supply Voltage input	DC +3.3V(2.7 ~ 3.6V)
24	GND	GND	Ground	



VCC : Main DC Power Input

This is the main power supply for the Engine board. The power range is **DC 3.3V** \pm 10% (**2.7** \sim **3.6V**). Suitable decoupling must be provided by external decoupling circuitry.

GND

GND provides the ground for the Engine board. Connect all grounds.

TXD

UART Interface TX for serial communication to a host CPU. This is the main transmit channel and used to output standard NMEA_0183 sentence or response to input binary command. The default setup is NMEA Output, 9600bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit. The default sentences are GNRMC, GNVTG, GNGGA, GNGSA, GPGSV, GLGSV, GNGLL.

RXD

UART Interface RX for serial communication to a host CPU. This is the main receiving channel and is used to input binary commands to the Engine board from host CPU.

PPS

The TIMEPULSE output generates pulse trains synchronized with a GNSS or UTC time grid, with intervals configurable over a wide frequency range. Thus it may be used as a low frequency time synchronization pulse or as a high frequency reference signal. By default the time pulse signal is configured to 1 pulse per second.

RESET

Driving RESET low activates a hardware reset of the system.

Leave open for normal operation. RESET should be used only in critical situations to recover the system. The Real-Time Clock (RTC) will also be reset and thus immediately afterwards the receiver cannot perform a Hot Start.

VCC_RF

This is pin for supplying voltage of external Active Antenna or LNA.

RF_IN

The Module supports passive & active antennas. The line on the PCB from the antenna(or antenna connector)has to be a controlled line (Micro strip at 50Ω @ GPS/GLONASS signal).



VBAT

This is the battery backup supply that powers the SRAM and RTC when main power is removed. Without an external backup battery or on board battery, engine board will execute a cold start after every turn on. To achieve the faster start-up offered by a hot or warm start, either a backup battery must be connected or battery installed on board.



Packing Information

1. Carrier Tape Dimension



2. Inner & Out Box (Carton Box)





GPS/GLONASS Receiver User's Tip

- GPS/GLONASS signal will be affected by weather and environment conditions, thus suggest to use the GPS/GLONSS receiver under less shielding environments to ensure GPS/GLONASS receiver has better receiving performance.
- 2. When GPS/GLONASS receiver is moving, it will prolong the time to fix the position, so suggest to wait for the satellite signals to be locked at a fixed point when first power-on the GPS/GLONASS receiver to ensure to lock the GPS/GLONASS signal at the shortest time.
- 3. The following situation will affect the GPS/GLONASS receiving performance:
 - a. Solar control filmed windows.
 - b. Metal shielded, such as umbrella, or in vehicle.
 - c. Among high buildings.
 - d. Under bridges or tunnels.
 - e. Under high voltage cables or nearby radio wave sources, such as mobile phone base stations.
 - f. Bad or heavy cloudy weather.
- 4. If the satellite signals cannot be locked or encounter receiving problem (while in the urban area), the following steps are suggested:
 - a. Move to another open space or reposition GPS/GLONASS receiver toward the direction with fewer blockages.
 - b. Move the GPS/GLONASS receiver away from the interference resources.
 - c. Wait until the weather condition is improved.

While a GPS/GLONASS with a backup battery, the GPS/GLONASS receiver can fix a position immediately at next power-on if the build-in backup battery is full-recharged.



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NMEA Protocol

19 Protocol Overview

19.1 Message Format

NMEA messages sent by the GNSS receiver are based on NMEA 0183 Version 4.0. The following picture shows the structure of a NMEA protocol message.

NMEA Protoco	ol Frame	!			
	 	Ch	ecksum range	-	
\$	<ada< th=""><th>dress></th><th>{,<value>}</value></th><th>*<checksum></checksum></th><th><cr><lf></lf></cr></th></ada<>	dress>	{, <value>}</value>	* <checksum></checksum>	<cr><lf></lf></cr>
Start character	Address fi	eld.	Data field(s)	Checksum field	End sequence
Always '\$' Talke	Only digits uppercase cannot be i field is sub 2 fields:	and letters, hull. This divided into <xxx></xxx>	Delimited by a ','. Length can vary, even for a certain field. formatter	Starts with a '*' and consists of 2 chara representing a hex number. The check is the exclusive OR all characters between '\$' and '*'.	Always <cr><lf> i icters sum of</lf></cr>
GPS rece proprietary Example:	ridentiller, 's GP for a iver, P for Messages	Defines the content	emessage		
\$	GP	ZDA	,141644.00,22,03,2002,00,00	*67	<cr><lf></lf></cr>

For further information on the NMEA Standard, refer to *NMEA 0183 Standard For Interfacing Marine Electronic Devices*, Version 4.00, November 1, 2008. See <u>http://www.nmea.org/</u> for ordering instructions.

The NMEA standard allows for proprietary, manufacturer-specific messages to be added. These shall be marked with a manufacturer mnemonic. The mnemonic assigned to u-blox is UBX and is used for all non-standard messages. These proprietary NMEA messages therefore have the address field set to PUBX. The first data field in a PUBX message identifies the message number with two digits.

19.2 Talker ID

One of the ways the NMEA standard differentiates between GNSS is by using a two-letter message identifier, the 'Talker ID'. The specific Talker ID used by a u-blox receiver will depend on the device model and system configuration. The table below shows the Talker ID that will be used for various GNSS configurations.

NMEA	Talker	IDs
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Configured GNSS	Talker ID
GPS, SBAS, QZSS	GP
GLONASS	GL
Galileo	GA
BeiDou	GB
Any combination of GNSS	GN



19.3 Protocol Configuration

The NMEA protocol on u-blox receivers can be configured to the need of customer applications using CFG-NMEA. For backwards compatibility various versions of this message are supported, however, any new users should use the version that is not marked as deprecated.

There are four NMEA standards supported. The default NMEA version is 4.0. Alternatively versions 4.1, 2.3, and 2.1 can be enabled (for details on how this affects the output refer to section Position Fix Flags in NMEA Mode).

NMEA defines satellite numbering systems for some, but not all GNSS (this is partly dependent on the NMEA version). Satellite numbers for unsupported GNSS can be configured using CFG-NMEA. Unknown satellite numbers are always reported as a null NMEA field (i.e. an empty string)

The NMEA specification indicates that the GGA message is GPS specific. However, u-blox receivers support the output of a GGA message for each of the Talker IDs.

Parameter	Description
Position filtering	Enable to permit positions from failed or invalid fixes to be reported (with the "V"
	status flag to indicate that the data is not valid).
Valid position filtering	Enable to permit positions from invalid fixes to be reported (with the "V" status flag to
	indicate that the data is not valid).
Time filtering	Enable to permit the receiver's best knowledge of time to be output, even though it
	might be wrong.
Date filtering	Enable to permit the receiver's best knowledge of date to be output, even though it
	might be wrong.
GPS-only filtering	Enable to restrict output to only report GPS satellites.
Track filtering	Enable to permit course over ground (COG) to be reported even when it would
	otherwise be frozen.

NMEA filtering flags

NMEA flags

Parameter	Description
Compatibility Mode	Some older NMEA applications expect the NMEA output to be formatted in a specific
	way, for example, they will only work if the latitude and longitude have exactly four
	digits behind the decimal point. u-blox receivers offer a compatibility mode to support
	these legacy applications.
Consideration Mode	u-blox receivers use a sophisticated signal quality detection scheme, in order to produce
	the best possible position output. This algorithm considers all SV measurements, and
	may eventually decide to only use a subset thereof, if it improves the overall position
	accuracy. If Consideration mode is enabled, all satellites, which were considered for
	navigation, are communicated as being used for the position determination. If
	Consideration Mode is disabled, only those satellites which after the consideration step
	remained in the position output are marked as being used.
Limit82 Mode	Enabling this mode will limit the NMEA sentance length to a maximum of 82 characters.

Extended configuration

Option	Description
GNSS to filter	Filters satellites based on their GNSS
Satellite numbering	This field configures the display of satellites that do not have an NMEA-defined value.
	Note: this does not apply to satellites with an unknown ID.



Extended configuration continued

Option	Description
Main Talker ID	By default the main Talker ID (i.e. the Talker ID used for all messages other than GSV) is
	determined by the GNSS assignment of the receiver's channels (see UBX-CFG-GNSS).
	This field enables the main Talker ID to be overridden.
GSV Talker ID	By default the Talker ID for GSV messages is GNSS specific (as defined by NMEA). This
	field enables the GSV Talker ID to be overridden.
BDS Talker ID	By default the Talker ID for BeiDou is 'GB'. This field enableds the BeiDou Talker ID to be
	overridden.

19.4 Satellite Numbering

The NMEA protocol (V4.0) identifies satellites with a two digit number, reserving the numbers 1 to 32 for GPS, 33-64 for SBAS and 65-96 for GLONASS. So, for example, GLONASS SV4 is reported using number 68. u-blox receivers support this method in their NMEA output when "strict" SV numbering is selected. In most cases this is the default setting, but can be checked or set using UBX-CFG-NMEA.

Unfortunately there is currently no standard way of identifying satellites from any other GNSS within the NMEA protocol. In order to support QZSS within current receivers and prepare for support of other systems (e.g. Galileo) in future receivers, an "extended" SV numbering scheme can be enabled (using UBX-CFG-NMEA). This uses the NMEA-defined numbers where possible, but adds other number ranges to support other GNSS. Note however that these non-standard extensions require 3 digit numbers, which may not be supported by some NMEA parsing software. For example QZSS satellites are reported using numbers in the range 193 to 197.

See Satellite Numbering Summary for a complete list of satellite numbers.



GLONASS satellites can be tracked before they have been identified. In NMEA output, such unknown satellite numbers are always reported as a null field (i.e. an empty string).

19.5 Latitude and Longitude Format

According to the NMEA Standard, Latitude and Longitude are output in the format Degrees, Minutes and (Decimal) Fractions of Minutes. To convert to Degrees and Fractions of Degrees, or Degrees, Minutes, Seconds and Fractions of seconds, the 'Minutes' and 'Fractional Minutes' parts need to be converted. In other words: If the GPS Receiver reports a Latitude of 4717.112671 North and Longitude of 00833.914843 East, this is

Latitude 47 Degrees, 17.112671 Minutes

Longitude 8 Degrees, 33.914843 Minutes

or

Latitude 47 Degrees, 17 Minutes, 6.76026 Seconds Longitude 8 Degrees, 33 Minutes, 54.89058 Seconds

or

Latitude 47.28521118 Degrees Longitude 8.56524738 Degrees

19.6 Position Fix Flags

This section shows how u-blox implements the NMEA protocol and the conditions determining how flags are set.

Flags in NMEA 2.3 and above



Flags in NMEA 2.3 and above continued

NMEA Message: Field	No position fix	GNSS fix, but	Dead	Dead reckoning	2D GNSS	3D GNSS	Combined
	(at power-up,	user limits	reckoning fix,	fix (ADR with	fix	fix	GNSS/dead
	after losing	exceeded	but user limits	external sensors,			reckoning fix
	satellite lock)		exceeded	linear			(ADR with
				extrapolation, or			external
				map matching)			sensors)
NMEA Message: Field	No position fix	GNSS fix, but	Dead	Dead reckoning	2D GNSS	3D GNSS	Combined
	(at power-up,	user limits	reckoning fix,	fix (ADR with	fix	fix	GNSS/dead
	after losing	exceeded	but user limits	external sensors,			reckoning fix
	satellite lock)		exceeded	linear			(ADR with
				extrapolation, or			external
				map matching)			sensors)
GLL, RMC: status	V	V	V	A	А	А	А
	V=Data Invalid, A=Data Valid						
GGA: quality	0	0	6	6	1/2	1/2	1/2
	0=No Fix, 1=Autonomous GNSS Fix, 2=Differential GNSS Fix, 6=Estimated/Dead Reckoning Fix				ng Fix		
GSA: navMode	1	1	2	2	2	3	3
	1=No Fix, 2=2D Fix, 3=3D Fix						
GLL, RMC, VTG, GNS: posMode	Ν	Ν	E	E	A/D	A/D	A/D
	N=No Fix, E=Estimated/Dead Reckoning Fix, A=Autonomous GNSS Fix, D=Differential GNSS Fix						

Flags in NMEA 2.1 and below

The flags in NMEA 2.1 and below are the same as NMEA 2.3 and above but with the following differences:

- The posMode field is not output for GLL, RMC and VTG messages (each message has one field less).
- The GGA quality field is set to 1 (instead of 6) For both types of dead reckoning fix.

Extra fields in NMEA 4.1 and above

Message	Extra fields
GBS	systemId, signalId
GNS	navStatus
GRS	systemId, signalId
GSA	systemId
GSV	signalld
RMC	navStatus

19.7 Multi-GNSS considerations

Many applications which process NMEA messages assume that only a single GNSS is active. However, when multiple GNSS are configured, the NMEA specification requires the output to change in the following ways:

Change	Description
Main Talker ID	The main Talker ID will be 'GN' (e.g. instead of 'GP' for a GPS receiver)
GSV Talker IDs	The GSV message reports the signal strength of the visible satellites. However,
	the Talker ID it uses is specific to the GNSS it is reporting information for, so
	for a multi-GNSS receiver it will not be the same as the main Talker ID. (e.g.
	other messages will be using the 'GN' Talker ID but the GSV message will use
	GNSS-sepcific Talker IDs)

NMEA output for Multi-GNSS



NMEA output for Multi-GNSS continued

Change	Description
Multiple GSA and GRS	Multiple GSA and GRS messages are output for each fix, one for each GNSS.
Messages	This may confuse applications which assume they are output only once per
	position fix (as is the case for a single GNSS receiver).

19.8 Output of Invalid/Unknown Data

By default the receiver will not output invalid data. In such cases, it will output empty fields.

A valid position fix is reported as follows:

\$GPGLL,4717.11634,N,00833.91297,E,124923.00,A,A*6E

An invalid position fix (but time valid) is reported as follows:

\$GPGLL,,,,,124924.00,V,N*42

If Time is unknown (e.g. during a cold-start):

\$GPGLL,,,,,,V,N*64

Note:

An exception from the above default are dead reckoning fixes, which are also output when invalid (user limits exceeded).

Output of invalid data marked with the 'Invalid/Valid' Flags can be enabled using the UBX protocol message CFG-NMEA.

Differing from the NMEA standard, u-blox reports valid dead reckoning fixes with user limits met (not exceeded) as valid (A) instead of invalid (V).

19.9 Messages Overview

When configuring NMEA messages using the UBX protocol message CFG-MSG, the Class/lds shown in the table shall be used.

Page	Mnemonic	Cls/ID	Description
	NMEA Standard Messages		Standard Messages
65	DTM	0xF0 0x0A	Datum Reference
66	GBQ	0xF0 0x44	Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GB)
66	GBS	0xF0 0x09	GNSS Satellite Fault Detection
67	GGA	0xF0 0x00	Global positioning system fix data
68	GLL	0xF0 0x01	Latitude and longitude, with time of position fix and status
69	GLQ	0xF0 0x43	Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GL)
70	GNQ	0xF0 0x42	Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GN)
70	GNS	0xF0 0x0D	GNSS fix data
71	GPQ	0xF0 0x40	Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GP)
72	GRS	0xF0 0x06	GNSS Range Residuals
73	GSA	0xF0 0x02	GNSS DOP and Active Satellites
74	GST	0xF0 0x07	GNSS Pseudo Range Error Statistics
75	GSV	0xF0 0x03	GNSS Satellites in View
76	RMC	0xF0 0x04	Recommended Minimum data
77	тхт	0xF0 0x41	Text Transmission



NMEA Messages Overview continued

Page	Mnemonic	Cls/ID	Description
78	VLW	0xF0 0x0F	Dual ground/water distance
78	VTG	0xF0 0x05	Course over ground and Ground speed
79	ZDA	0xF0 0x08	Time and Date
	NMEA PUBX Messages		Proprietary Messages
81	CONFIG	0xF1 0x41	Set Protocols and Baudrate
82	POSITION	0xF1 0x00	Lat/Long Position Data
83	SVSTATUS	0xF1 0x03	Satellite Status
84	TIME	0xF1 0x04	Time of Day and Clock Information



Example:

\$GPGI	\$GPGBS,235503.00,1.6,1.4,3.2,,,,,*40				
\$GPGI	\$GPGBS,235458.00,1.4,1.3,3.1,03,,-21.4,3.8,1,0*5B				
Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	XXGBS	-	string	\$GPGBS	GBS Message ID ($xx = current Talker ID$)
1	time	-	hhmmss.ss	235503.00	UTC time to which this RAIM sentence belongs, see
					note on UTC representation
2	errLat	m	numeric	1.6	Expected error in latitude
3	errLon	m	numeric	1.4	Expected error in longitude
4	errAlt	m	numeric	3.2	Expected error in altitude
5	svid	-	numeric	03	Satellite ID of most likely failed satellite
6	prob	-	numeric	-	Probability of missed detection, not supported
					(empty)
7	bias	m	numeric	-21.4	Estimate on most likely failed satellite (a priori
					residual)
8	stddev	m	numeric	3.8	Standard deviation of estimated bias
9	systemId	-	numeric	1	NMEA defined GNSS System ID
					NMEA v4.1 and above only
10	signalId	-	numeric	0	NMEA defined GNSS Signal ID (0 = All signals)
					NMEA v4.1 and above only
11	CS	-	hexadecimal	*5B	Checksum
12	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed

20.4 GGA

20.4.1 Global positioning system fix data

Message	GGA				
Description	Global position	Global positioning system fix data			
Firmware	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	mware version 2	.00		
Туре	Output Message	Output Message			
Comment	The output of this message is dependent on the currently selected datum (default:				
	WGS84). The NMEA specification indicates that the GGA message is GPS specific.				
	However, when the receiver is configured for multi-GNSS, the GGA message				
	contents will be generated from the multi-GNSS solution. For multi-GNSS use, it is				
	recommended that the NMEA-GNS message is used instead.				
	Time and position, together with GPS fixing related data (number of satellites in use, and				
	the resulting HDOP, age of differential data if in use, etc.).				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields			
Message Info	0xF0 0x00	17			

Message Structure:

\$xxGGA,time,lat,NS,long,EW,quality,numSV,HDOP,alt,M,sep,M,diffAge,diffStation*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPGGA,092725.00,4717.11399,N,00833.91590,E,1,08,1.01,499.6,M,48.0,M,,*5B

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Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					



GGA continued

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	XXGGA	-	string	\$GPGGA	GGA Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	time	-	hhmmss.ss	092725.00	UTC time, see note on UTC representation
2	lat	-	ddmm.	4717.11399	Latitude (degrees & minutes), see format description
			mmmmm		
3	NS	-	character	N	North/South indicator
4	long	-	dddmm.	00833.91590	Longitude (degrees & minutes), see format
			mmmmm		description
5	EW	-	character	E	East/West indicator
6	quality	-	digit	1	Quality indicator for position fix, see table below
					and position fix flags description
7	numSV	-	numeric	08	Number of satellites used (range: 0-12)
8	HDOP	-	numeric	1.01	Horizontal Dilution of Precision
9	alt	m	numeric	499.6	Altitude above mean sea level
10	uAlt	-	character	Μ	Altitude units: meters (fixed field)
11	sep	m	numeric	48.0	Geoid separation: difference between geoid and
					mean sea level
12	uSep	-	character	М	Separation units: meters (fixed field)
13	diffAge	S	numeric	-	Age of differential corrections (blank when DGPS is
					not used)
14	diffStat	-	numeric	-	ID of station providing differential corrections (blank
	ion				when DGPS is not used)
15	CS	-	hexadecimal	*5B	Checksum
16	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed

Table Quality Indicator

Quality Indicator	Description, see also position fix flags description
0	No Fix / Invalid
1	Standard GPS (2D/3D)
2	Differential GPS
6	Estimated (DR) Fix

20.5 GLL

20.5.1 Latitude and longitude, with time of position fix and status

Message	GLL				
Description	Latitude and l	Latitude and longitude, with time of position fix and status			
Firmware	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fir	mware version 2.	00		
Туре	Output Message				
Comment	The output of this message is dependent on the currently selected datum (default: WGS84) -				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields			
Message Info	0xF0 0x01	10			

Message Structure:



\$xxGLL,lat,NS,long,EW,time,status,posMode*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

ŞGPGI	\$GPGLL, 4/1/.11364, N, 00833.91565, E, 092321.00, A, A*60							
Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description			
No.								
0	XXGLL	-	string	\$GPGLL	GLL Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)			
1	lat	-	ddmm.	4717.11364	Latitude (degrees & minutes), see format description			
			mmmmm					
2	NS	-	character	Ν	North/South indicator			
3	long	-	dddmm.	00833.91565	Longitude (degrees & minutes), see format			
			mmmmm		description			
4	EW	-	character	E	East/West indicator			
5	time	-	hhmmss.ss	092321.00	UTC time, see note on UTC representation			
6	status	-	character	А	V = Data invalid or receiver warning, A = Data valid.			
					See position fix flags description.			
7	posMode	-	character	А	Positioning mode, see position fix flags description.			
					NMEA v2.3 and above only			
8	CS	-	hexadecimal	*60	Checksum			
9	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed			

20.6 GLQ

20.6.1 Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GL)

Message	GLQ				
Description	Poll a standard	Poll a standard message (if the current Talker ID is GL)			
Firmware	Supported on:	Supported on:			
	• u-blox M8 fir	 u-blox M8 firmware version 2.00 			
Туре	Input Message	Input Message			
Comment	Polls a standard	Polls a standard NMEA message if the current Talker ID is GL			
	ID for CFG-MSG Number of fields				
Message Info	0xF0 0x43	4			

Message Structure:

\$xxGLQ,msgId*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$EIGLQ,RMC*3A

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	xxGLQ	-	string	\$EIGLQ	GLQ Message ID (xx = Talker ID of the device
					requesting the poll)
1	msgId	-	string	RMC	Message ID of the message to be polled
2	CS	-	hexadecimal	*3A	Checksum
3	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed



Table Mode

Mode	Description
0	Residuals were used to calculate the position given in the matching GGA sentence.
1	Residuals were recomputed after the GGA position was computed.

20.11 GSA

20.11.1 GNSS DOP and Active Satellites

Message	GSA				
Description	GNSS DOP and	Active Satellit	es		
Firmware	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	mware version 2.	00		
Туре	Output Message	Output Message			
Comment	The GPS receiver operating mode, satellites used for navigation, and DOP values.				
	• If less than 12 SVs are used for navigation, the remaining fields are left empty. I than 12 SVs are used for navigation, only the IDs of the first 12 are output.				
• The SV numbers (fields 'sv') are in the range of			e in the range of 1 to 32 for GPS satellites, and 33 to 64		
	for SBAS sate	llites (33 = SBAS	PRN 120, 34 = SBAS PRN 121, and so on)		
	In a multi-GNSS system this message will be output multiple times, once				
	GNSS.				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields			
Message Info	0xF0 0x02	21			

Message Structure:

 $xxGSA, opMode, navMode{, sv}, PDOP, HDOP, VDOP, systemId*cs<CR><LF>$

Example:

\$GPGSA, A, 3, 23, 29, 07, 08, 09, 18, 26, 28, , , , , 1.94, 1.18, 1.54, 1*0D

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description	
No.						
0	xxGSA	-	string	\$GPGSA	GSA Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)	
1	opMode	-	character	А	Operation mode, see first table below	
2	navMode	-	digit	3	Navigation mode, see second table below and	
					position fix flags description	
Start of repeated block (12 times)						
3 +	sv	-	numeric	29	Satellite number	
1*N						
End of	repeated block					
15	PDOP	-	numeric	1.94	Position dilution of precision	
16	HDOP	-	numeric	1.18	Horizontal dilution of precision	
17	VDOP	-	numeric	1.54	Vertical dilution of precision	
18	systemId	-	numeric	1	NMEA defined GNSS System ID	
					NMEA v4.1 and above only	
19	CS	-	hexadecimal	*0D	Checksum	
20	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed	



Table Operation Mode

Operation Mode	Description
М	Manually set to operate in 2D or 3D mode
А	Automatically switching between 2D or 3D mode

Table Navigation Mode

Navigation Mode	Description, see also position fix flags description				
1	Fix not available				
2	2D Fix				
3	3D Fix				

20.12 GST

20.12.1 GNSS Pseudo Range Error Statistics

Message	GST				
Description	GNSS Pseudo Range Error Statistics				
Firmware	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	• u-blox M8 firmware version 2.00			
Туре	Output Message	Output Message			
Comment	This message re	This message reports statisical information on the quality of the position solution.			
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields			
Message Info	0xF0 0x07	11			

Message Structure:

\$xxGST,time,rangeRms,stdMajor,stdMinor,orient,stdLat,stdLong,stdAlt*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPGST,082356.00,1.8,,,,1.7,1.3,2.2*7E

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	XXGST	-	string	\$GPGST	GST Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	time	-	hhmmss.ss	082356.00	UTC time of associated position fix, see note on
					UTC representation
2	rangeRms	m	numeric	1.8	RMS value of the standard deviation of the ranges
3	stdMajor	m	numeric	-	Standard deviation of semi-major axis (blank - not
					supported)
4	stdMinor	m	numeric	-	Standard deviation of semi-minor axis (blank - not
					supported)
5	orient	deg	numeric	-	Orientation of semi-major axis (blank - not
					supported)
6	stdLat	m	numeric	1.7	Standard deviation of latitude error
7	stdLong	m	numeric	1.3	Standard deviation of longitude error
8	stdAlt	m	numeric	2.2	Standard deviation of altitude error
9	cs	-	hexadecimal	*7E	Checksum
10	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed



20.13 GSV

20.13.1 GNSS Satellites in View

Message	GSV			
Description	GNSS Satellite	s in View		
Firmware	Supported on:			
	• u-blox M8 fir	mware version 2.	00	
Туре	Output Message			
Comment	The number of satellites in view, together with each SV ID, elevation azimuth, and signal			
	strength (C/No)	value. Only four	satellite details are transmitted in one message.	
	In a multi-GNSS system sets of GSV messages will be output multiple times, one			
	set for each GNSS.			
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields		
Message Info	0xF0 0x03	816		

Message Structure:

\$xxGSV,numMsg,msgNum,numSV,{,sv,elv,az,cno},signalId*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPGSV, 3, 1, 10, 23, 38, 230, 44, 29, 71, 156, 47, 07, 29, 116, 41, 08, 09, 081, 36, 0*7F

\$GPGSV,3,2,10,10,07,189,,05,05,220,,09,34,274,42,18,25,309,44,0*72

\$GPGSV,3,3,10,26,82,187,47,28,43,056,46,0*77

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description		
No.							
0	XXGSV	-	string	\$GPGSV	GSV Message ID (xx = GSV Talker ID)		
1	numMsg	-	digit	3	Number of messages, total number of GSV		
					messages being output		
2	msgNum	-	digit	1	Number of this message		
3	numSV	-	numeric	10	Number of satellites in view		
Start of repeated block (14 times)							
4 +	sv	-	numeric	23	Satellite ID		
4*N							
5 +	elv	deg	numeric	38	Elevation (range 0-90)		
4*N							
6 +	az	deg	numeric	230	Azimuth, (range 0-359)		
4*N							
7 +	cno	dBH	numeric	44	Signal strength (C/N0, range 0-99), blank when not		
4*N		Z			tracking		
End of	^c repeated block						
5	signalId	-	numeric	0	NMEA defined GNSS Signal ID (0 = All signals)		
16					NMEA v4.1 and above only		
6	CS	-	hexadecimal	*7F	Checksum		
16							
7	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed		
16							



20.14 RMC

20.14.1 Recommended Minimum data

Message	RMC			
Description	Recommended	l Minimum data	a	
Firmware	Supported on:			
	• u-blox M8 fir	mware version 2.	00	
Туре	Output Message			
Comment	The output of	this message is	dependent on the currently selected datum (default:	
	WGS84)			
	The recommended minimum sentence defined by NMEA for GNSS system data.			
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields		
Message Info	0xF0 0x04	16		

Message Structure:

\$xxRMC,time,status,lat,NS,long,EW,spd,cog,date,mv,mvEW,posMode,navStatus*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPRMC,083559.00,A,4717.11437,N,00833.91522,E,0.004,77.52,091202,,,A,V*57

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	XXRMC	-	string	\$GPRMC	RMC Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	time	-	hhmmss.ss	083559.00	UTC time, see note on UTC representation
2	status	-	character	А	Status, V = Navigation receiver warning, A = Data
					valid, see position fix flags description
3	lat	-	ddmm.	4717.11437	Latitude (degrees & minutes), see format description
			mmmmm		
4	NS	-	character	N	North/South indicator
5	long	-	dddmm.	00833.91522	Longitude (degrees & minutes), see format
			mmmmm		description
6	EW	-	character	E	East/West indicator
7	spd	knot	numeric	0.004	Speed over ground
		s			
8	cog	degr	numeric	77.52	Course over ground
		ees			
9	date	-	ddmmyy	091202	Date in day, month, year format, see note on UTC
					representation
10	mv	degr	numeric	-	Magnetic variation value (blank - not supported)
		ees			
11	m∨EW	-	character	-	Magnetic variation E/W indicator (blank - not
					supported)
12	posMode	-	character	-	Mode Indicator, see position fix flags description
					NMEA v2.3 and above only
13	navStatu	-	character	V	Navigational status indicator (V = Equipment is not
	s				providing navigational status information)
					NMEA v4.1 and above only
14	CS	-	hexadecimal	*57	Checksum
15	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed



20.15 TXT

20.15.1 Text Transmission

Message	тхт				
Description	Text Transmiss	ion			
Firmware	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	mware version 2.	00		
Туре	Output Message				
Comment	This message is not configured through UBX-CFG-MSG, but instead through				
	UBX-CFG-INF.				
	This message ou	tputs various inf	prmation on the receiver, such as power-up screen,		
	software versior	n etc. This messag	e can be configured using UBX Protocol message		
	UBX-CFG-INF.				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields			
Message Info	0xF0 0x41	7			

Message Structure:

\$xxTXT,numMsg,msgNum,msgType,text*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPTXT,01,01,02,u-blox ag - www.u-blox.com*50

\$GPTXT,01,01,02,ANTARIS ATR0620 HW 00000040*67

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
l'ieiu	Name	Onit	TOIMat	Livalliple	Description
No.					
0	XXTXT	-	string	\$GPTXT	TXT Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	numMsg	-	numeric	01	Total number of messages in this transmission, 01
					99
2	msgNum	-	numeric	01	Message number in this transmission, range 01xx
3	msgType	-	numeric	02	Text identifier, u-blox GPS receivers specify the type
					of the message with this number.
					00: Error
					01: Warning
					02: Notice
					07: User
4	text	-	string	www.u-blox.	Any ASCII text
				com	
5	cs	-	hexadecimal	*67	Checksum
6	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed



20.16 VLW

20.16.1 Dual ground/water distance

Message	VLW	VLW				
Description	Dual ground/v	Dual ground/water distance				
Firmware	Supported on:	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	u-blox M8 firmware version 2.00				
Туре	Output Message	Output Message				
Comment	The distance tra	The distance traveled, relative to the water and over the ground.				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields				
Message Info	0xF0 0x0F	11				

Message Structure:

\$xxVLW,twd,twdUnit,wd,wdUnit,tgd,tgdUnit,gd,gdUnit*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPVLW,	,N,	,N,	15.	8	, N ,	1.	.2,	N*06	
1									

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	XXVLW	-	string	\$GPVLW	VLW Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	twd	nm	numeric	-	Total cumulative water distance, not output
2	twdUnit	-	character	Ν	Fixed field: nautical miles
3	wd	nm	numeric	-	Water distance since reset, not output
4	wdUnit	-	character	Ν	Fixed field: nautical miles
5	tgd	nm	numeric	15.8	Total cumulative ground distance
6	tgdUnit	-	character	Ν	Fixed field: nautical miles
7	gd	nm	numeric	1.2	Ground distance since reset
8	gdUnit	-	character	Ν	Fixed field: nautical miles
9	CS	-	hexadecimal	*06	Checksum
10	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed

20.17 VTG

20.17.1 Course over ground and Ground speed

Message	VTG	VTG				
Description	Course over gr	Course over ground and Ground speed				
Firmware	Supported on:	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fire	u-blox M8 firmware version 2.00				
Туре	Output Message	Output Message				
Comment	Velocity is given	Velocity is given as Course over Ground (COG) and Speed over Ground (SOG).				
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields				
Message Info	0xF0 0x05	12				

Message Structure:

\$xxVTG,cogt,T,cogm,M,knots,N,kph,K,posMode*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPVTG,77.52,T,,M,0.004,N,0.008,K,A*06

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					



VTG continued

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	xxVTG	-	string	\$GPVTG	VTG Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	cogt	degr	numeric	77.52	Course over ground (true)
		ees			
2	Т	-	character	Т	Fixed field: true
3	cogm	degr	numeric	-	Course over ground (magnetic), not output
		ees			
4	М	-	character	Μ	Fixed field: magnetic
5	knots	knot	numeric	0.004	Speed over ground
		S			
6	N	-	character	N	Fixed field: knots
7	kph	km/	numeric	0.008	Speed over ground
		h			
8	K	-	character	К	Fixed field: kilometers per hour
9	posMode	-	character	А	Mode Indicator, see position fix flags description
					NMEA v2.3 and above only
10	CS	-	hexadecimal	*06	Checksum
11	<cr><lf></lf></cr>	-	character	-	Carriage return and line feed

20.18 ZDA

20.18.1 Time and Date

Message	ZDA	ZDA				
Description	Time and Date	Fime and Date				
Firmware	Supported on:	Supported on:				
	• u-blox M8 fir	u-blox M8 firmware version 2.00				
Туре	Output Message	Output Message				
Comment	-					
	ID for CFG-MSG	Number of fields				
Message Info	0xF0 0x08	9				

Message Structure:

xxZDA, hhmmss.ss, day, month, year, ltzh, ltzn*cs<CR><LF>

Example:

\$GPZDA,082710.00,16,09,2002,00,00*64

Field	Name	Unit	Format	Example	Description
No.					
0	xxZDA	-	string	\$GPZDA	ZDA Message ID (xx = current Talker ID)
1	time	-	hhmmss.ss	082710.00	UTC Time, see note on UTC representation
2	day	day	dd	16	UTC day (range: 1-31)
3	month	mon	mm	09	UTC month (range: 1-12)
		th			
4	year	year	уууу	2002	UTC year
5	ltzh	-	-XX	00	Local time zone hours (fixed to 00)
6	ltzn	-	ZZ	00	Local time zone minutes (fixed to 00)
7	CS	-	hexadecimal	*64	Checksum