

Product name	Description	Version
RTK-4671-SHPF	GNSS RTK board for accurate positioning and heading	0.3



1. Introduction

High-Precision GNSS RTK Board for Accurate Positioning & Heading Solution

LOCOSYS RTK-4671-SHPF is a high-precision GNSS RTK board for accurate positioning and heading. This board offers real-time, cost-efficient and cm-level positioning as well as flexible interfaces, inside great anti-jamming performance (due to multi-tone active interference canceller) for a variety of applications, such as precision navigation, precision agriculture, surveying and UAVs.

Centimeter-Level Positioning / Support Rover & Base Solutions

The RTK-4671-SHPF is a cost-efficient GNSS RTK board for cm-level positioning and accurate raw measurements output, which can be integrated with autopilots and drone. RTK-4671-SHPF board supports GPS, GLONASS, BeiDou, GALILEO, QZSS and SBAS constellations to improve the continuity and reliability of the RTK solution even in harsh environment. It features powerful compatibility with other GNSS boards in the market by flexible interfaces, smart hardware design and popular log/command formats adopts Real Time Kinematics (RTK) technology with the correction data from CORS network. It also supports both rover and base solutions for those which do not have public CORS network, compact solution and the best-in-class low-power solution for precise positioning application.

The RTK-4671-SHPF can work as an independent positioning system and it can also be integrated with other host devices. Its popular interface and log/command format make it compatible with most of the OEM boards in market.

2. Features

- Low cost, commercial chip level, with high precision and accuracy
- Centimeter-level positioning in RTK mode
- Support GPS, GLONASS, BeiDou, GALILEO and QZSS L1
- Capable of SBAS (WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS) Precise navigation, positioning
- Great anti-jamming performance (due to multi-tone active interference canceller).
- Dual antenna input and precise heading calculation
- Current limited feature (limited to 50mA typ.) with each active GNSS antennas
- 2x 99 channels each independent signal chains
- Heading Accuracy (RMS) < 0.2 degree
- Industrial operating temperature range -40 to +85°C
- Low-power consumption and compact size
- Easy and simply to integrate
- LOCOSYS IATF 16949 certified production sites.

3. Application

- Autonomous Vehicle Guidance
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles
- Precision Agriculture
- AGV Robotics
- V2X / ETC / 5G Station
- Structural / Land Monitoring
- Offshore / Marine Application

4. Product feature

GNSS feature	Description	
GNSS	Single frequency and Multi-constellation	
DGPS, SBAS	WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS, GAGAN	
Channels	99 channels	
Update rate	1 Hz	
Acquisition Time ¹	Cold start	35s (typical)
	RTK initialization time	< 10s (after 3D fix)
	initialization reliability	99.9%
Position Accuracy ²	Autonomous	< 1.5m CEP
	SBAS	< 1.5m (depends on accuracy of correction data)
	RTK ³	0.01m + 1ppm CEP
Heading Accuracy	< 0.2 deg @ 1m antenna separation (RMS)	
Limitations	Max. Altitude	< 18,000 m, up to 50,000m by request
	Max. Velocity	< 515 m/s
Navigation Outputs	NMEA 0183 ver. 4.0	115200 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit (default) 1Hz: GGA, GSA, RMC, GSV, VTG, HDT
Correction Input ⁴	RTCM-3.3	115200 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bits

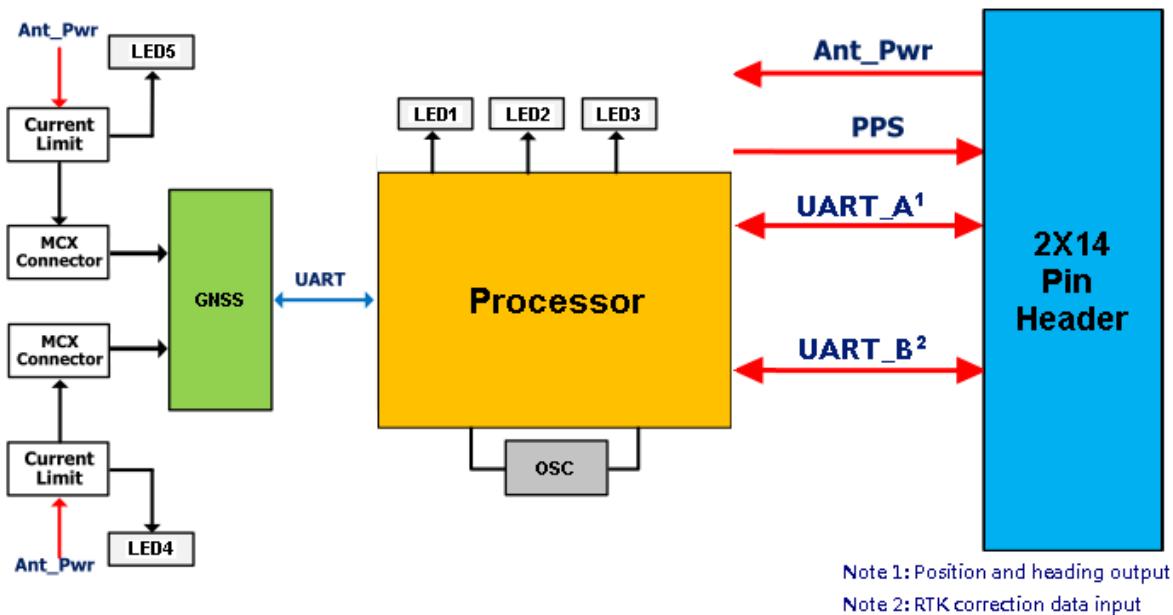
Note 1: Acquisition time and position accuracy may be affected by atmospheric conditions, signal multipath, satellite geometry and corrections availability and quality.

Note 2: All position values are based on Horizontal position accuracy.

Note 3: Measured using 1 km baseline and patch antennas with good ground planes.

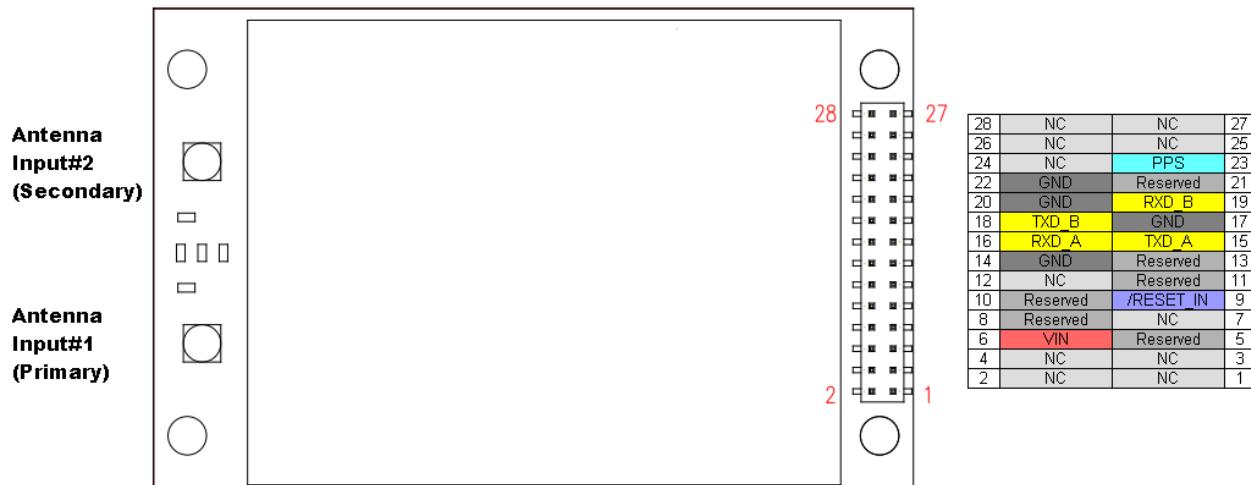
Note 4: Supported RTCM data message see page 6.

5. Block diagram



6. Pin definition

6.1. Pin assignment



Top View

6.2. Pin description

Pin No	Name	Description
1	NC	Not connected
2	NC	Not connected
3	NC	Not connected
4	NC	Not connected
5	Reserved	Microprocessor BOOT pin, this pin should be left floating
6	VIN	Device power supply
7	NC	Not connected
8	Reserved	Reserved, this pin should be left floating
9	RESET_IN	Device reset input, Low active
10	Reserved	Reserved, this pin should be left floating
11	Reserved	Reserved, this pin should be left floating
12	NC	Not connected
13	Reserved	Reserved, this pin should be left floating
14	GND	Ground
15	TXD_A	UART_A, transmitter output (Default NMEA)
16	RXD_A	UART_A, receiver input (Default NMEA)
17	GND	Ground
18	TXD_B	UART_B transmitter output
19	RXD_B	UART_B receiver input, receive RTCM data streaming from base station to resolve RTK solutions.
20	GND	Ground
21	Reserved	Reserved, this pin should be left floating
22	GND	Ground
23	PPS	Time pulse (1PPS, default 100 ms pulse/sec when 3D fix is available)
24	NC	Not connected
25	NC	Not connected
26	NC	Not connected
27	NC	Not connected
28	NC	Not connected

7. Data Interfaces and Protocols

7.1. Data Interface

The RTK-4671-SHPF receiver features 28 (2x14) pin header 2.0mm pitch (male) for connection to host system. It have two UART interfaces are available, and the baud rate for communication is 115200 bps.

7.2. Device Configuration

The RTK-4671-SHPF interfaces are support the following communication protocols:

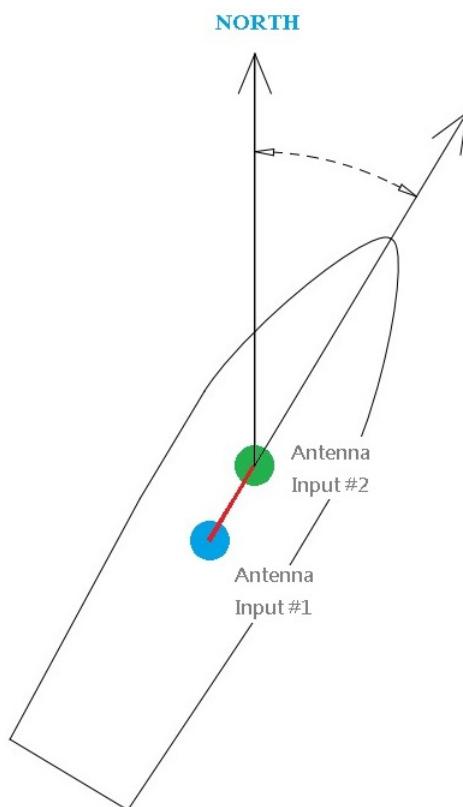
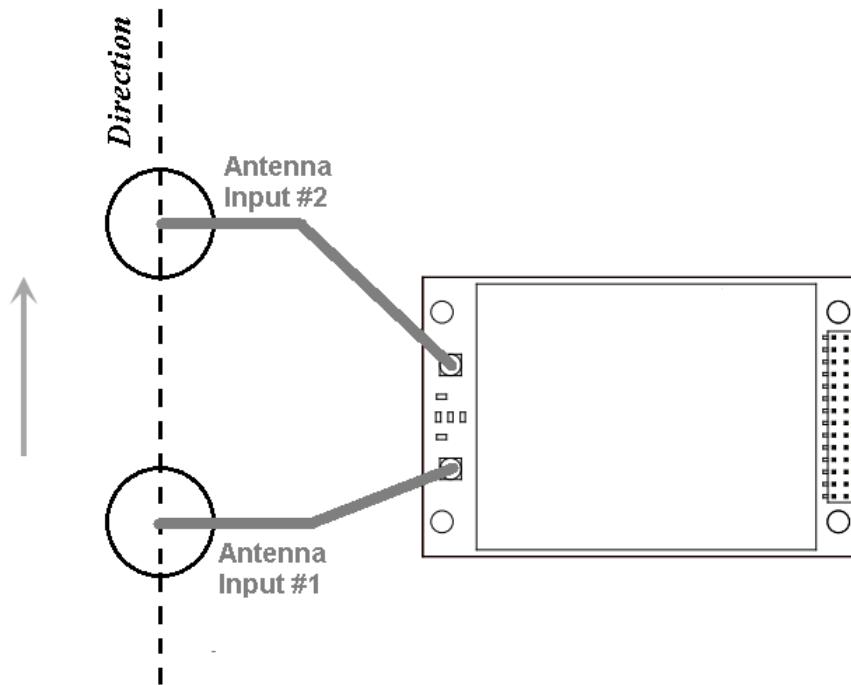
UART_A	NMEA, 115200 bps. (GGA, GSA, RMC, GSV, VTG, HDT)	Position and heading output
UART_B	TX: NMEA, 115200 bps. (GGA) RX: RTCM-3.3, 115200 bps. See “Supported Data Messages” table.	RTK correction data input

Supported Data Messages:

Message Type	Description
1005	Stationary RTK reference station ARP
1006	Stationary RTK reference station ARP with antenna height
1019	GPS ephemeris data
1042	BeiDou ephemeris data
1074	Full GPS Pseudoranges and PhaseRanges plus CNR
1075	Full GPS Pseudoranges, PhaseRanges, PhaseRangeRate and CNR
1077	Full GPS Pseudoranges, PhaseRanges, PhaseRangeRate and CNR (high resolution)
1124	Full BeiDou Pseudoranges and PhaseRanges plus CNR
1125	Full BeiDou Pseudoranges, PhaseRanges, PhaseRangeRate and CNR
1127	Full BeiDou Pseudoranges, PhaseRanges, PhaseRangeRate and CNR (high resolution)

8. GNSS antenna setup for heading measure

The receiver is always configured to provide precise heading when both antennas are connected and have a clear view of the sky. The Heading is alignment of two antennas from “Antenna Input # 1” to “Antenna Input #2”, and it is relative to True North. As shown in the diagram below:



9. Electrical specifications

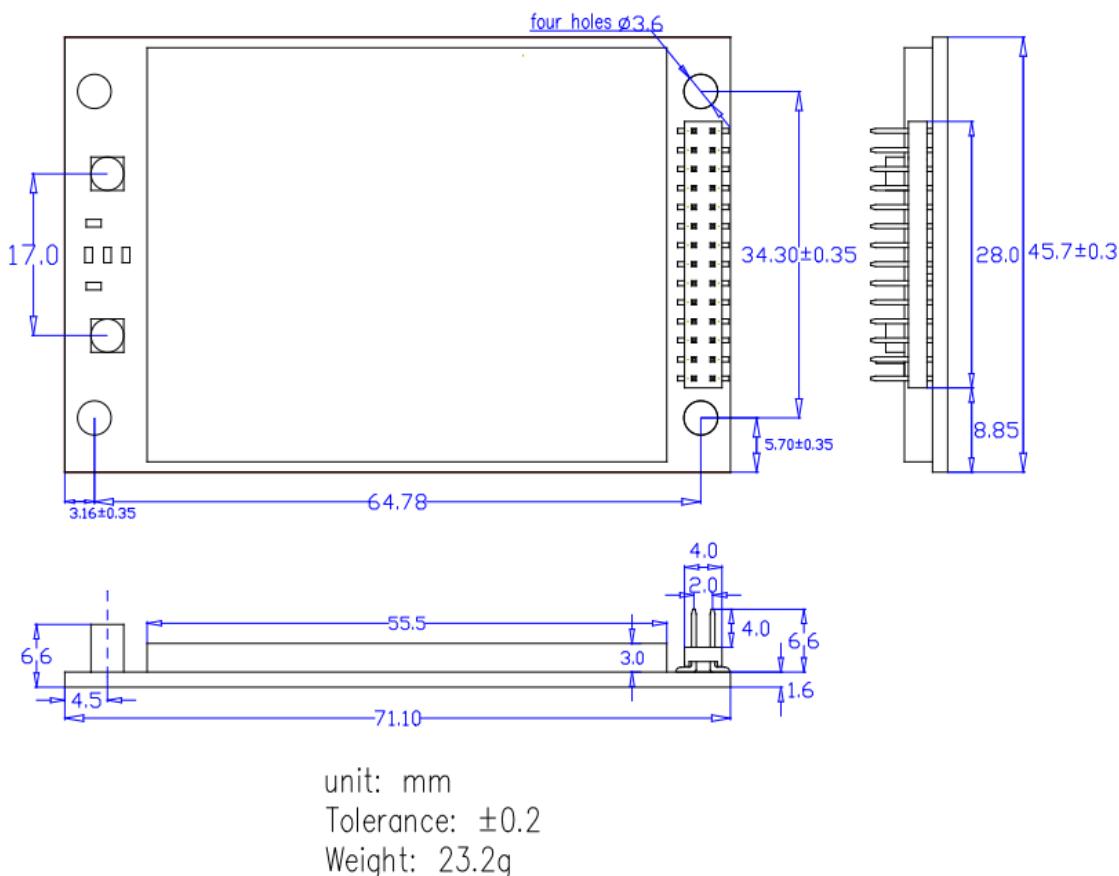
9.1. DC Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Input voltage	VCC		3.2	5	5.5	V
External Active Antenna	ANT_PWR			3.3		V
Output voltage	_OUT					
Input current	Icc	VCC = 5.0V, w/o active antenna, Peak Tracking		215	370	mA mA
High Level Input Voltage	V _{IH}		2.1		3.6	V
Low Level Input Voltage	V _{IL}				0.8	V
High Level Output Voltage	V _{OH}		2.4			V
Low Level Output Voltage	V _{OL}				0.4	V

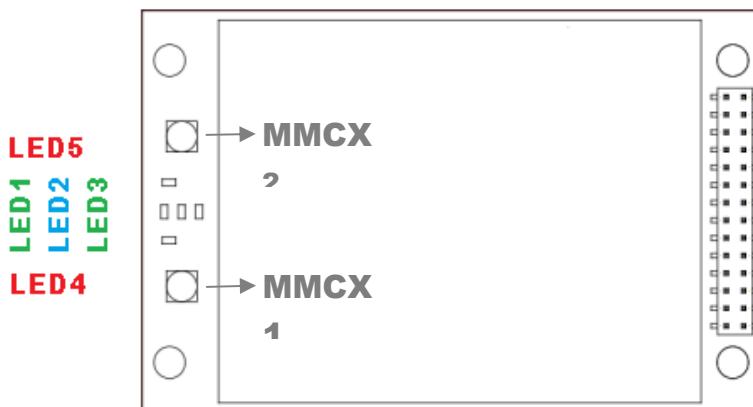
9.2. Temperature characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Operating Temperature	Topr	-40	-	85	°C
Storage Temperature	Tstg	-40	-	85	°C

10. Board Layout and Dimensions



11. LED indicator



LED1 flash (Green LED, 1Hz) means the receiver is in precise heading status

LED2 flash (Blue LED, 1Hz) means the receiver is normal operation.

LED3 flash (Green LED, 1Hz) means the receiver is in RTK FIX mode status

LED4 or/and LED5 flash (Red LED) means short-circuit on the MMCX1 or/and MMCX2 active antenna connector.

12. Software interface

12.1. NMEA output message

Table 12.1-1 NMEA output message

NMEA record	Description
GGA	Global positioning system fixed data
GSA	GNSS DOP and active satellites
GSV	GNSS satellites in view
RMC	Recommended minimum specific GNSS data
VTG	Course over ground and ground speed
HDT	Heading from true north message fields

● GGA--- Global Positioning System Fixed Data

Table 12.1-2 contains the values for the following example:

\$GNGGA,021027.000,2503.7125580,N,12138.7454063,E,4,18,0.65,121.422,M,15.3,M,1,*4D

Table 12.1- 2 GGA Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GNGGA		GGA protocol header (GNGGA)
UTC Time	021027.000		hhmmss.sss
Latitude	2503.7125580		ddmm.mmmmmmmm
N/S indicator	N		N=north or S=south
Longitude	12138.7454063		dddmm.mmmmmmmm
E/W Indicator	E		E=east or W=west
Position Fix Indicator	4		See Table 12.1-3
Satellites Used	18		Range 0 to 33
HDOP	0.65		Horizontal Dilution of Precision
MSL Altitude	121.422	meters	
Units	M	meters	
Geoid Separation	15.3	meters	
Units	M	meters	
Age of Diff. Corr.	1	second	Null fields when DGPS is not used
Diff. Ref. Station ID			
Checksum	*4D		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

Table 12.1-3 Position Fix Indicators

Value	Description
0	Fix not available or invalid
1	GNSS SPS Mode, fix valid
2	Differential GPS, SPS Mode, fix valid
4	Real-Time Kinematic, fixed integers
6	Dead Reckoning Mode, fix valid

● GSA---GNSS DOP and Active Satellites

Table 12.1-4 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPGSA,A,3,23,11,22,28,19,06,09,17,03,01,30,,0.94,0.62,0.71*06

\$BDGSA,A,3,07,10,04,02,03,06,13,01,,,0.94,0.62,0.71*1A

Table 12.1-4 GSA Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGSA		GSA protocol header
Mode 1	A		See Table 12.1-5
Mode 2	3		See Table 12.1-6
ID of satellite used	23		Sv on Channel 1
ID of satellite used	11		Sv on Channel 2
....		
ID of satellite used			Sv on Channel 12
PDOP	0.94		Position Dilution of Precision
HDOP	0.62		Horizontal Dilution of Precision
VDOP	0.71		Vertical Dilution of Precision
Checksum	*06		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

Table 12.1-5 Mode 1

Value	Description
M	Manual-forced to operate in 2D or 3D mode
A	Automatic-allowed to automatically switch 2D/3D

Table 12.1-6 Mode 2

Value	Description
1	Fix not available
2	2D
3	3D

● GSV---GNSS Satellites in View

Table 12.1-7 contains the values for the following example:

```
$GPGSV,4,1,13,28,77,192,40,50,50,134,40,17,48,344,41,03,47,058,40*7D
$GPGSV,4,2,13,06,40,271,37,19,29,317,34,22,26,046,35,01,18,046,32*75
$GPGSV,4,3,13,11,14,067,30,30,13,202,30,23,12,116,33,09,10,146,32*77
$GPGSV,4,4,13,02,02,250,19*44
$BDGSV,2,1,10,10,60,238,41,03,60,206,39,01,55,141,40,17,55,106,*6A
$BDGSV,2,2,10,07,51,193,40,13,47,299,38,02,40,242,35,04,39,117,35*66
```

Table 12.1-7 GSV Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGSV		GSV protocol header
Total number of messages ¹	4		Range 1 to 4
Message number ¹	1		Range 1 to 4
Satellites in view	13		
Satellite ID	28		Channel 1 (Range 01 to 196)
Elevation	77	degrees	Channel 1 (Range 00 to 90)
Azimuth	192	degrees	Channel 1 (Range 000 to 359)
SNR (C/No)	40	dB-Hz	Channel 1 (Range 00 to 99, null when not tracking)
....		
Satellite ID	03		Channel 4 (Range 01 to 196)
Elevation	47	degrees	Channel 4 (Range 00 to 90)
Azimuth	058	degrees	Channel 4 (Range 000 to 359)
SNR (C/No)	40	dB-Hz	Channel 4 (Range 00 to 99, null when not tracking)
Checksum	*7D		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

Note 1: Depending on the number of satellites tracked multiple messages of GSV data may be required.

● RMC---Recommended Minimum Specific GNSS Data

Table 12.1-8 contains the values for the following example:

```
$GNRMC,021027.000,A,2503.7125580,N,12138.7454063,E,0.01,171.63,030919,,,R*62
```

Table 12.1-8 RMC Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GNRMC		RMC protocol header
UTC Time	021027.000		hhmmss.sss
Status	A		A=data valid or V=data not valid
Latitude	2503.7125580		ddmm.mmmmmmmm
N/S Indicator	N		N=north or S=south

Longitude	12138.7454063		ddmm.mmmmmmmm
E/W Indicator	E		E=east or W=west
Speed over ground	0.01	knots	True
Course over ground	171.63	degrees	
Date	030919		ddmmyy
Magnetic variation		degrees	
Variation sense			E=east or W=west (Not shown)
Mode	R		A=autonomous, D=DGPS, E=DR, N=Data not valid, R=Coarse Position, S=Simulator
Checksum	*62		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

● VTG---Course Over Ground and Ground Speed

Table 12.1-9 contains the values for the following example:

\$GNVTG,172.67,T,,M,0.00,N,0.01,K,D*22

Table 12.1-9 VTG Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPVTG		VTG protocol header
Course over ground	172.67	degrees	Measured heading
Reference	T		True
Course over ground		degrees	Measured heading
Reference	M		Magnetic
Speed over ground	0.00,	knots	Measured speed
Units	N		Knots
Speed over ground	0.01	km/hr	Measured speed
Units	K		Kilometer per hour
Mode	D		A=autonomous, D=DGPS, E=DR, N=Data not valid, R=Coarse Position, S=Simulator
Checksum	*38		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

● GPHDT---Heading from true north message fields

Table 12.1-10 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPHDT,40.14,T*34

Table 12.1-10 GPHDT Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPHDT		HDT protocol harder

Heading	40.14	degrees	Heading in degrees
Relative to True North	T		Indicates heading relative to True North
Checksum	*34		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

12.2. LOCOSYS proprietary commands

12.2.1. Query firmware version

Synopsis:

```
$PLSC,VER*CK<CR><LF>
```

Response:

```
$PLSR,<VER>*CK<CR><LF>
```

Examples:

```
$PLSC,VER*61<CR><LF>
```

12.2.2. Get setting for the two antenna distance;

Synopsis:

```
$PLSC,COM4,{PLSC,GETDIST}*CK<CR><LF>
```

Response:

```
$PLSR,DIST,<DIST>*CK<CR><LF>
```

Parameter	Format	Description
DIST	Decimal	setting for the two antenna distance (unit: mm); if the value = 0, means antenna distance is not set

Examples:

```
$PLSC,COM4,{PLSC,GETDIST}*03<CR><LF>
```

12.2.3. Set antenna distance

Synopsis:

```
$PLSC,COM4,{PLSC,SETDIST,<DIST>}*CK<CR><LF>
```

Response:

```
$PLSR,DIST,<DIST>*CK<CR><LF>
```

Parameter	Format	Description
DIST	Decimal	To set the distance between two antenna

Examples:

```
$PLSC,COM4,{PLSC,SETDIST,500}1*0E<CR><LF>
```

Note 1: Set two antenna distance is 500 mm

Document change list

Revision 0.1

- Draft release on July 4.2019.

Revision 0.2 (Aug.16.2019)

- Modify Position Accuracy on page 3.

Revision 0.3 (Sep.02.2019)

- Modify NMEA output message of GGA, RMC on page 10 & 12.