

Product name	Description	Version
LS26030	GPS module of PCIe Full-Mini card	1.2
LS26031	GPS module of PCIe Half-Mini card	

## Datasheet of LS26030 and LS26031 GPS modules



### 1 Introduction

LOCOSYS LS26030 and LS26031 are GPS modules incorporated into the PCIe Full-Mini card or PCIe Half-Mini card. These GPS modules are powered by MediaTek, it can provide you with superior sensitivity and performance even in urban canyon and dense foliage environment. Besides, the USB interface makes these modules easy to integrate into the laptop.

These modules support hybrid ephemeris prediction to achieve faster cold start. One is self-generated ephemeris prediction that is no need of both network assistance and host CPU's intervention. This is valid for up to 3 days and updates automatically from time to time when GPS module is powered on and satellites are available. The other is server-generated ephemeris prediction that gets from an internet server. This is valid for up to 14 days. Both ephemeris predictions are stored in the on-board flash memory and perform a cold start time less than 15 seconds.

### 2 Features

- USB interface
- MediaTek high sensitivity solution
- Support 66-channel GPS
- Low power consumption
- Fast TTFF at low signal level
- Built-in 12 multi-tone active interference canceller
- Free hybrid ephemeris prediction to achieve faster cold start
- Built-in data logger
- Up to 10 Hz update rate
- ±11ns high accuracy time pulse (1PPS)
- Capable of SBAS (WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS, GAGAN)
- Support Japan QZSS
- Indoor and outdoor multi-path detection and compensation
- Built-in LNA and SAW filter
- Built-in micro battery to reserve system data for rapid satellite acquisition

## 3 Application

- Laptop with GPS function
- IPC with GPS function

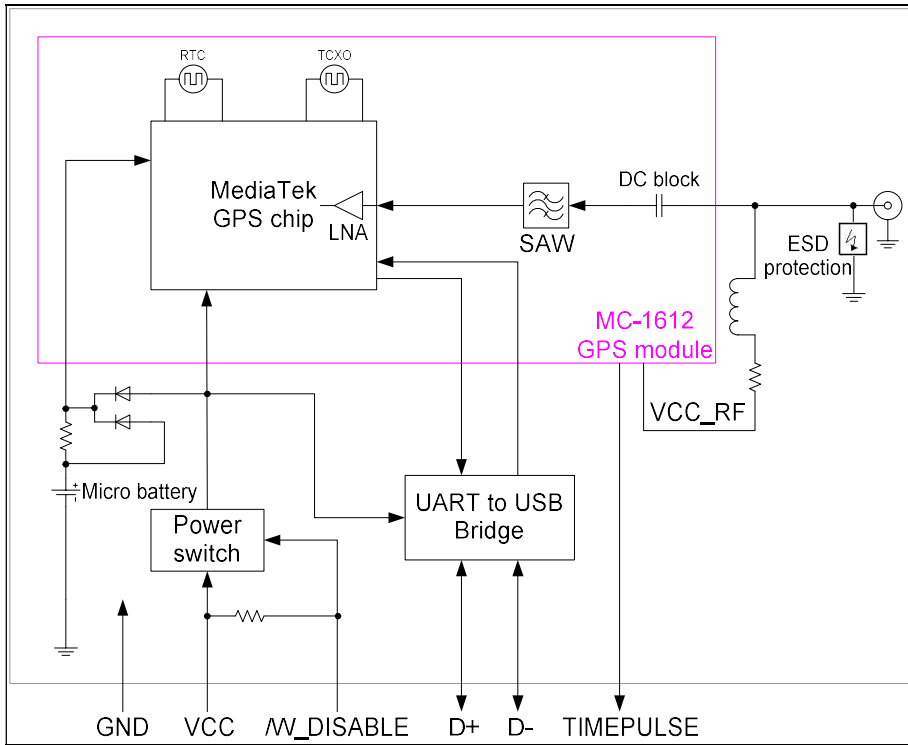


Fig 3-1 System block diagram.

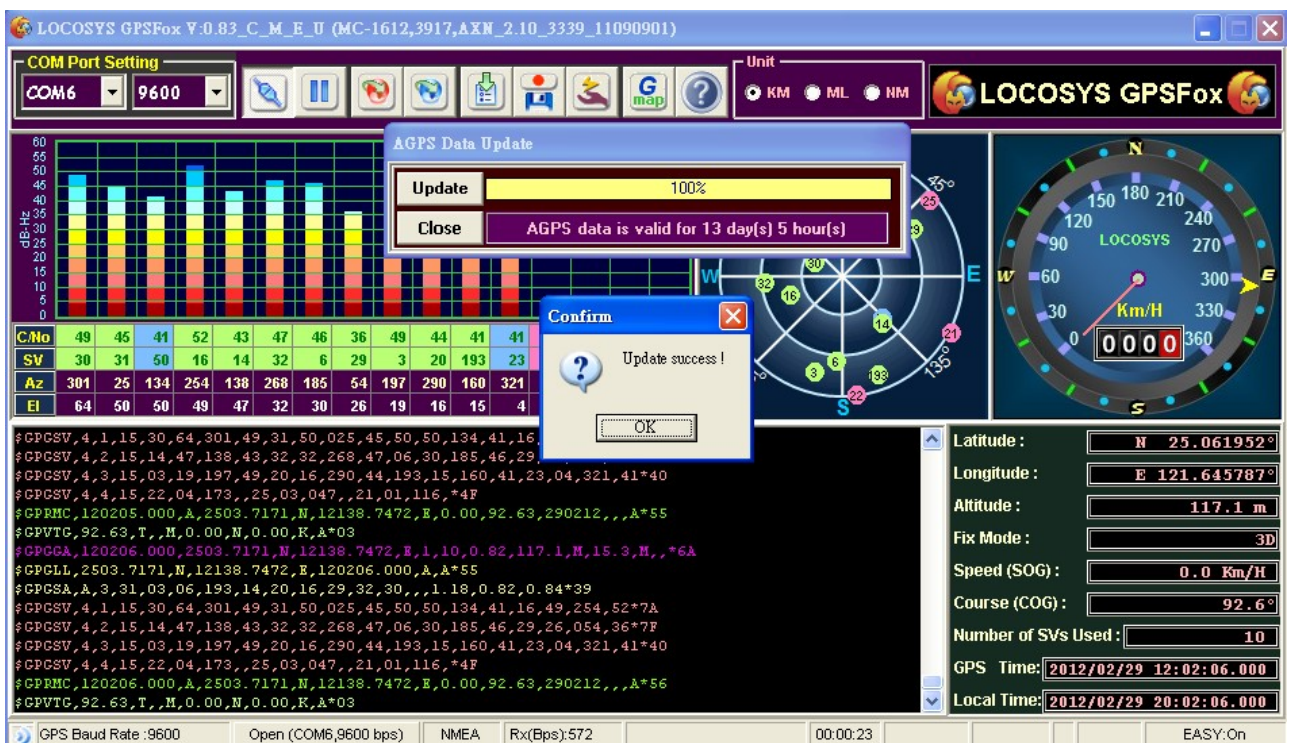


Fig 3-2 Download free up-to-14-day AGPS data from LOCOSYS's server to get faster time to fix.

## 4 GPS receiver

Chip	MediaTek MT3339	
Frequency	L1 1575.42MHz, C/A code	
Channels	Support 66 channels (22 Tracking, 66 Acquisition)	
Update rate	1Hz default, up to 10Hz	
Sensitivity	Tracking	-162dBm, up to -165dBm (with external LNA)
	Cold start	-143.5dBm, up to -148dBm (with external LNA)
Acquisition Time	Hot start (Open Sky)	< 1s (typical)
	Hot start (Indoor)	< 30s
	Cold Start (Open Sky)	32s (typical) without AGPS
< 15s (typical) with AGPS (hybrid ephemeris prediction)		
Position Accuracy	Autonomous	2.5m CEP
	SBAS	2.5m (depends on accuracy of correction data).
Max. Altitude	< 50,000 m	
Max. Velocity	< 515 m/s	
Protocol Support	NMEA 0183 ver 3.01	9600 bps <sup>(1)</sup> , 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bits (default)
		1Hz: GGA, GLL, GSA, GSV, RMC, VTG

Note 1: Both baud rate and output message rate are configurable to be factory default.

## 5 Software interface

### 5.1 NMEA output message

Table 5.1-1 NMEA output message

NMEA record	Description
GGA	Global positioning system fixed data
GLL	Geographic position - latitude/longitude
GSA	GNSS DOP and active satellites
GSV	GNSS satellites in view
RMC	Recommended minimum specific GNSS data
VTG	Course over ground and ground speed

#### ● GGA--- Global Positioning System Fixed Data

Table 5.1-2 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPGGA,053740.000,2503.6319,N,12136.0099,E,1,08,1.1,63.8,M,15.2,M,,0000\*64

Table 5.1-2 GGA Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGGA		GGA protocol header

UTC Time	053740.000		hhmmss.sss
Latitude	2503.6319		ddmm.mmmm
N/S indicator	N		N=north or S=south
Longitude	12136.0099		dddmm.mmmm
E/W Indicator	E		E=east or W=west
Position Fix Indicator	1		See Table 5.1-3
Satellites Used	08		Range 0 to 12
HDOP	1.1		Horizontal Dilution of Precision
MSL Altitude	63.8	mters	
Units	M	mters	
Geoid Separation	15.2	mters	
Units	M	mters	
Age of Diff. Corr.		second	Null fields when DGPS is not used
Diff. Ref. Station ID	0000		
Checksum	*64		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

Table 5.1-3 Position Fix Indicators

Value	Description
0	Fix not available or invalid
1	GPS SPS Mode, fix valid
2	Differential GPS, SPS Mode, fix valid
3-5	Not supported
6	Dead Reckoning Mode, fix valid

## ● GLL--- Geographic Position – Latitude/Longitude

Table 5.1-4 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPGLL,2503.6319,N,12136.0099,E,053740.000,A,A\*52

Table 5.1-4 GLL Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGLL		GLL protocol header
Latitude	2503.6319		ddmm.mmmm
N/S indicator	N		N=north or S=south
Longitude	12136.0099		dddmm.mmmm
E/W indicator	E		E=east or W=west
UTC Time	053740.000		hhmmss.sss
Status	A		A=data valid or V=data not valid

Mode	A		A=autonomous, D=DGPS, E=DR, N=Data not valid, R=Coarse Position, S=Simulator
Checksum	*52		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

## ● GSA---GNSS DOP and Active Satellites

Table 5.1-5 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPGSA,A,3,24,07,17,11,28,08,20,04,,,,,2.0,1.1,1.7\*35

Table 5.1-5 GSA Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGSA		GSA protocol header
Mode 1	A		See Table 5.1-6
Mode 2	3		See Table 5.1-7
ID of satellite used	24		Sv on Channel 1
ID of satellite used	07		Sv on Channel 2
....			....
ID of satellite used			Sv on Channel 12
PDOP	2.0		Position Dilution of Precision
HDOP	1.1		Horizontal Dilution of Precision
VDOP	1.7		Vertical Dilution of Precision
Checksum	*35		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

Table 5.1-6 Mode 1

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

Table 5.1-7 Mode 2

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

## ● GSV---GNSS Satellites in View

Table 5.1-8 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPGSV,3,1,12,28,81,285,42,24,67,302,46,31,54,354,,20,51,077,46\*73

\$GPGSV,3,2,12,17,41,328,45,07,32,315,45,04,31,250,40,11,25,046,41\*75

\$GPGSV,3,3,12,08,22,214,38,27,08,190,16,19,05,092,33,23,04,127,\*7B

Table 5.1-8 GSV Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPGSV		GSV protocol header
Total number of messages <sup>1</sup>	3		Range 1 to 3
Message number <sup>1</sup>	1		Range 1 to 3
Satellites in view	12		
Satellite ID	28		Channel 1 (Range 01 to 196)
Elevation	81	degrees	Channel 1 (Range 00 to 90)
Azimuth	285	degrees	Channel 1 (Range 000 to 359)
SNR (C/No)	42	dB-Hz	Channel 1 (Range 00 to 99, null when not tracking)
Satellite ID	20		Channel 4 (Range 01 to 32)
Elevation	51	degrees	Channel 4 (Range 00 to 90)
Azimuth	077	degrees	Channel 4 (Range 000 to 359)
SNR (C/No)	46	dB-Hz	Channel 4 (Range 00 to 99, null when not tracking)
Checksum	*73		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

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

## ● RMC---Recommended Minimum Specific GNSS Data

Table 5.1-9 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPRMC,053740.000,A,2503.6319,N,12136.0099,E,2.69,79.65,100106,,A\*53

Table 5.1-9 RMC Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPRMC		RMC protocol header
UTC Time	053740.000		hhmmss.sss
Status	A		A=data valid or V=data not valid
Latitude	2503.6319		ddmm.mmmm
N/S Indicator	N		N=north or S=south
Longitude	12136.0099		dddmm.mmmm
E/W Indicator	E		E=east or W=west
Speed over ground	2.69	knots	True
Course over ground	79.65	degrees	
Date	100106		ddmmyy
Magnetic variation		degrees	
Variation sense			E=east or W=west (Not shown)
Mode	A		A=autonomous, D=DGPS, E=DR, N=Data not valid, R=Coarse Position, S=Simulator

Checksum	*53		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

● **VTG---Course Over Ground and Ground Speed**

Table 5.1-10 contains the values for the following example:

\$GPVTG,79.65,T,,M,2.69,N,5.0,K,A\*38

Table 5.1-10 VTG Data Format

Name	Example	Units	Description
Message ID	\$GPVTG		VTG protocol header
Course over ground	79.65	degrees	Measured heading
Reference	T		True
Course over ground		degrees	Measured heading
Reference	M		Magnetic
Speed over ground	2.69	knots	Measured speed
Units	N		Knots
Speed over ground	5.0	km/hr	Measured speed
Units	K		Kilometer per hour
Mode	A		A=autonomous, D=DGPS, E=DR, N=Data not valid, R=Coarse Position, S=Simulator
Checksum	*38		
<CR> <LF>			End of message termination

5.2 Proprietary NMEA input/output message

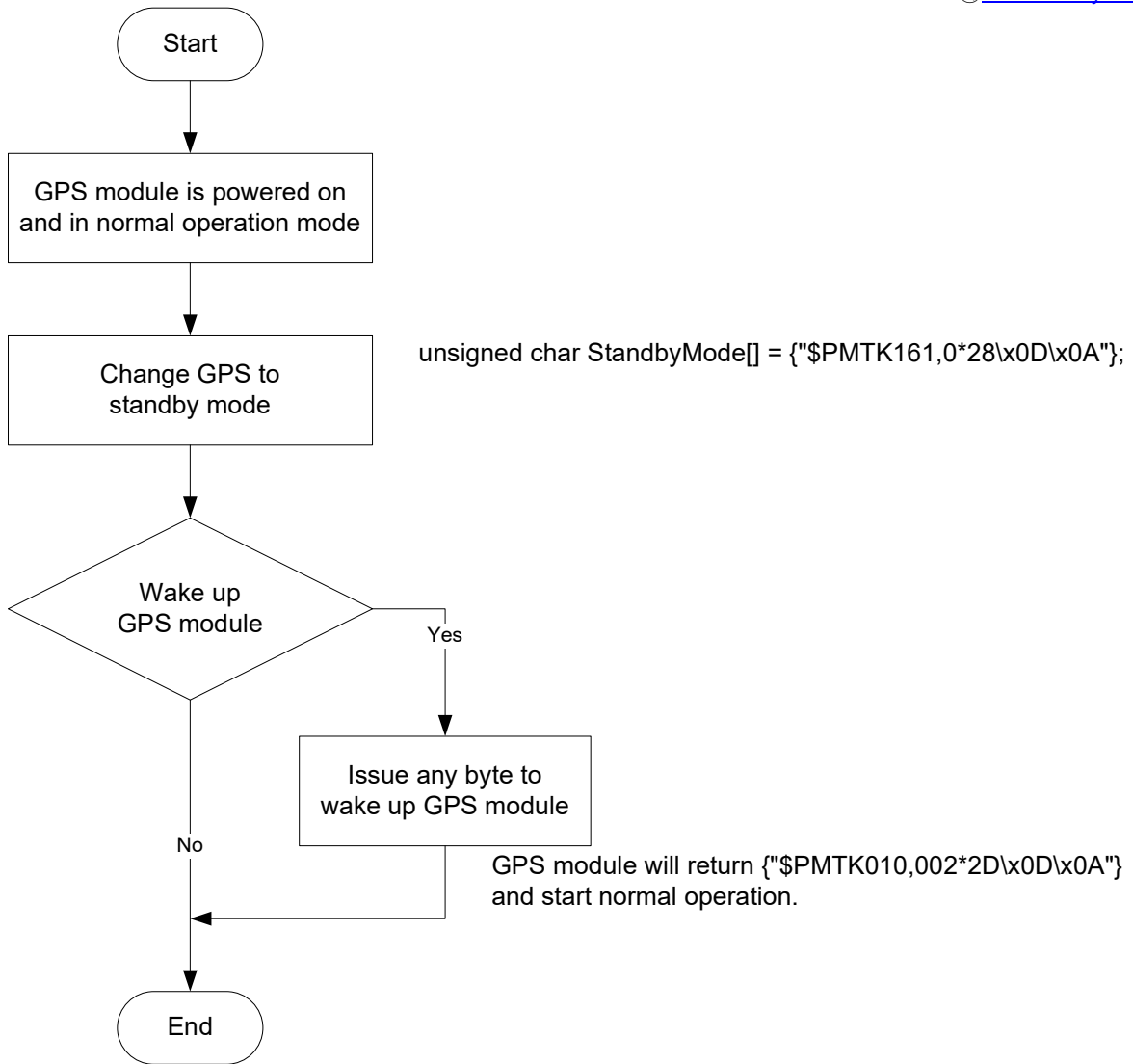
Please refer to MTK proprietary message.

5.3 Examples to configure the power mode of GPS module

The GPS module supports different power modes that user can configure by issuing software commands.

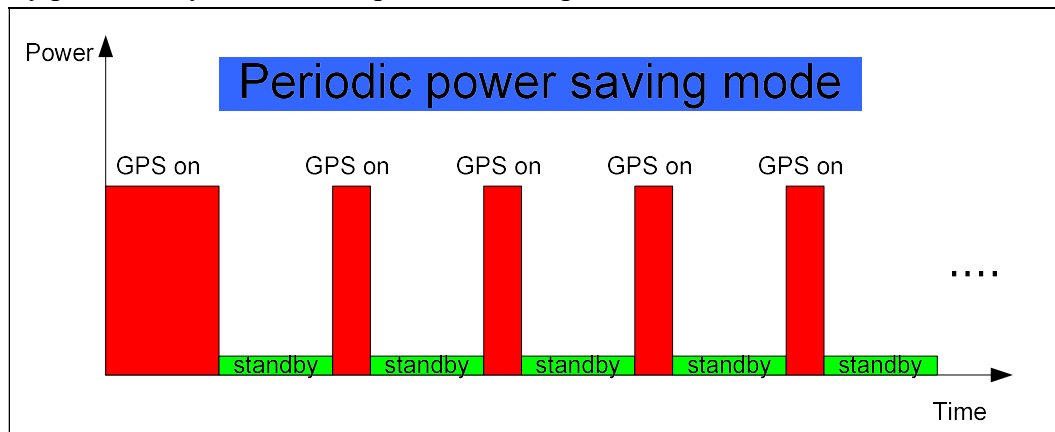
5.3.1 Standby mode

User can issue software command to make GPS module go into standby mode that consumes less than 200uA current. GPS module will be awaked when receiving any byte. The following flow chart is an example to make GPS module go into standby mode and then wake up.



### 5.3.2 Periodic mode

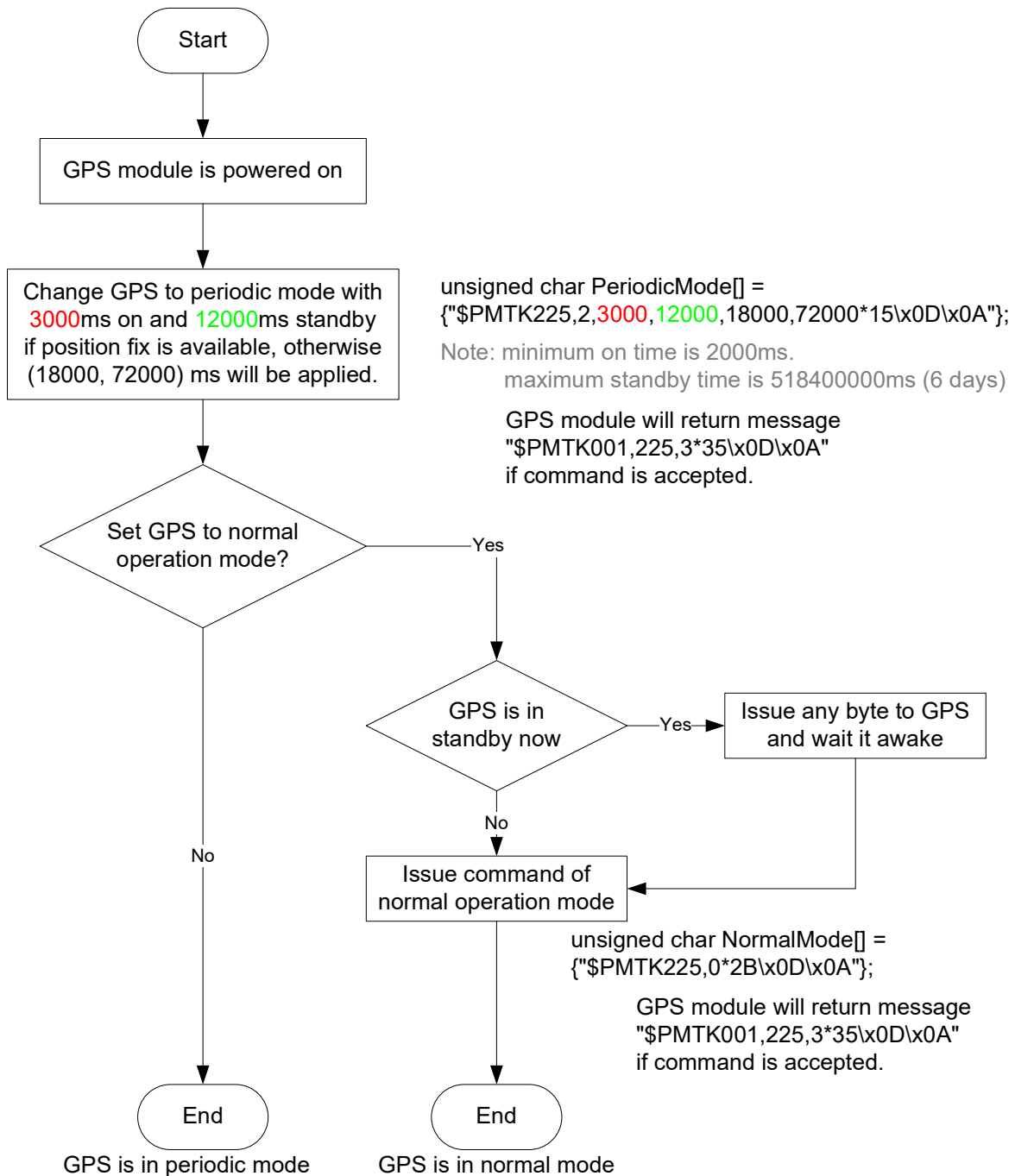
When GPS module is commanded to periodic mode, it will be in operation and standby periodically. Its status of power consumption is as below chart.



The following flow chart is an example to make GPS module go into periodic mode



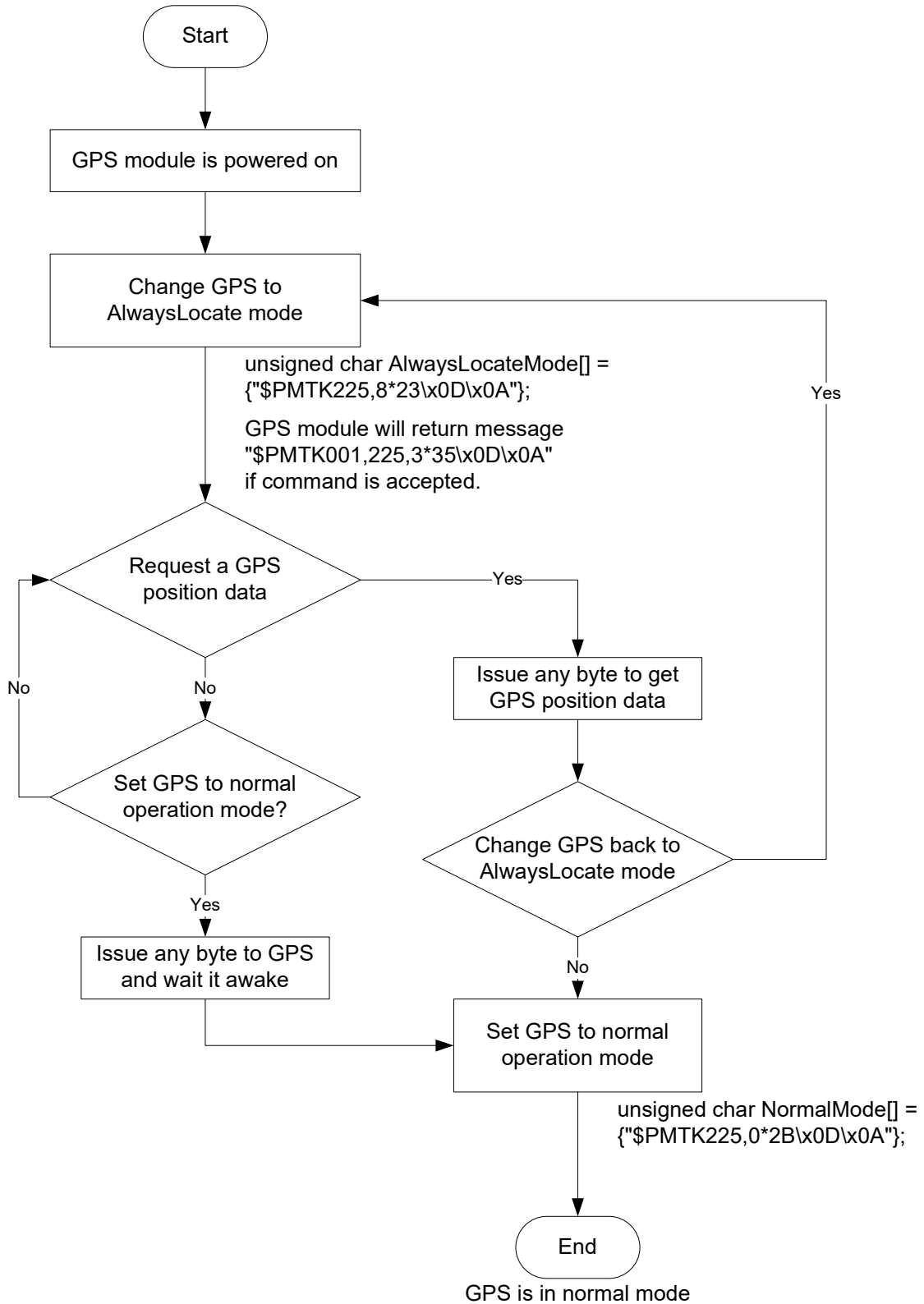
and then back to normal operation mode.



### 5.3.3 AlwaysLocate™ mode

AlwaysLocate™ is an intelligent controller of periodic mode. Depending on the environment and motion conditions, GPS module can adaptively adjust working/standby time to achieve balance of positioning accuracy and power consumption. In this mode, the host CPU does not need to control GPS module until the host CPU needs the GPS position data. The following flow chart is an example to make GPS module go into AlwaysLocate™ mode and then back to normal operation mode.

Note: AlwaysLocate™ is a trade mark of MTK.



### 5.4 Data logger

The GPS module has internal flash memory for logging GPS data. The configurations

include time interval, distance, speed, logging mode, and ... etc. For more information, please contact us.

## 6 Pin assignment and descriptions

Table 6-1 Pin descriptions of PCIe Mini card

Pin #	Name	Type	Description	Note
1	NC			
2	NC			
3	NC			
4	GND	P	Ground	
5	NC			
6	NC			
7	NC			
8	NC			
9	GND	P	Ground	
10	NC			
11	NC			
12	NC			
13	NC			
14	NC			
15	GND	P	Ground	
16	NC			
17	NC			
18	GND	P	Ground	
19	NC			
20	/W_DISABLE	I	Power control input pin. Internal pull-up resistor. High: power on; Low: power off	
21	GND	P	Ground	
22	NC			
23	NC			
24	NC			
25	NC			
26	GND	P	Ground	
27	GND	P	Ground	
28	NC			
29	GND	P	Ground	

30	NC			
31	NC			
32	NC			
33	NC			
34	GND	P	Ground	
35	GND	P	Ground	
36	USB_D-		USB D- line	
37	GND	P	Ground	
38	USB_D+		USB D+ line	
39	NC			
40	GND	P	Ground	
41	NC			
42	NC			
43	GND	P	Ground	
44	NC			
45	NC			
46	NC			
47	NC			
48	NC			
49	TIMEMARK	O	Time pulse (1PPS, default 100 ms pulse/sec when 3D position fix is available)	
50	GND	P	Ground	
51	NC			
52	VCC	P	Power input	

7 DC & Temperature characteristics

7.1 DC Electrical characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Input Voltage	VCC		3.0		3.6	V
Supply Current	Iss	VCC = 3.3V, Peak		43	104	mA
		Acquisition		35 <sup>(1)</sup>		mA
		Tracking		17		mA
		Standby		<1 <sup>(2)</sup>		uA
High Level Input Voltage	V <sub>IH</sub>	/W_DISABLE pin	1.3		VCC	V
Low Level Input Voltage	V <sub>IL</sub>	/W_DISABLE pin			0.25	V

High Level Input Current	$I_{IH}$	/W_DISABLE pin	-5		1	uA
Low Level Input Current	$I_{IL}$	/W_DISABLE pin	-5		1	uA

- (1) Measured when position fix (1Hz) is available, input voltage is 3.3V and the function of self-generated ephemeris prediction is inactive.
- (2) Measured when /W\_DISABLE pin is at low level.

## 7.2 Temperature characteristics

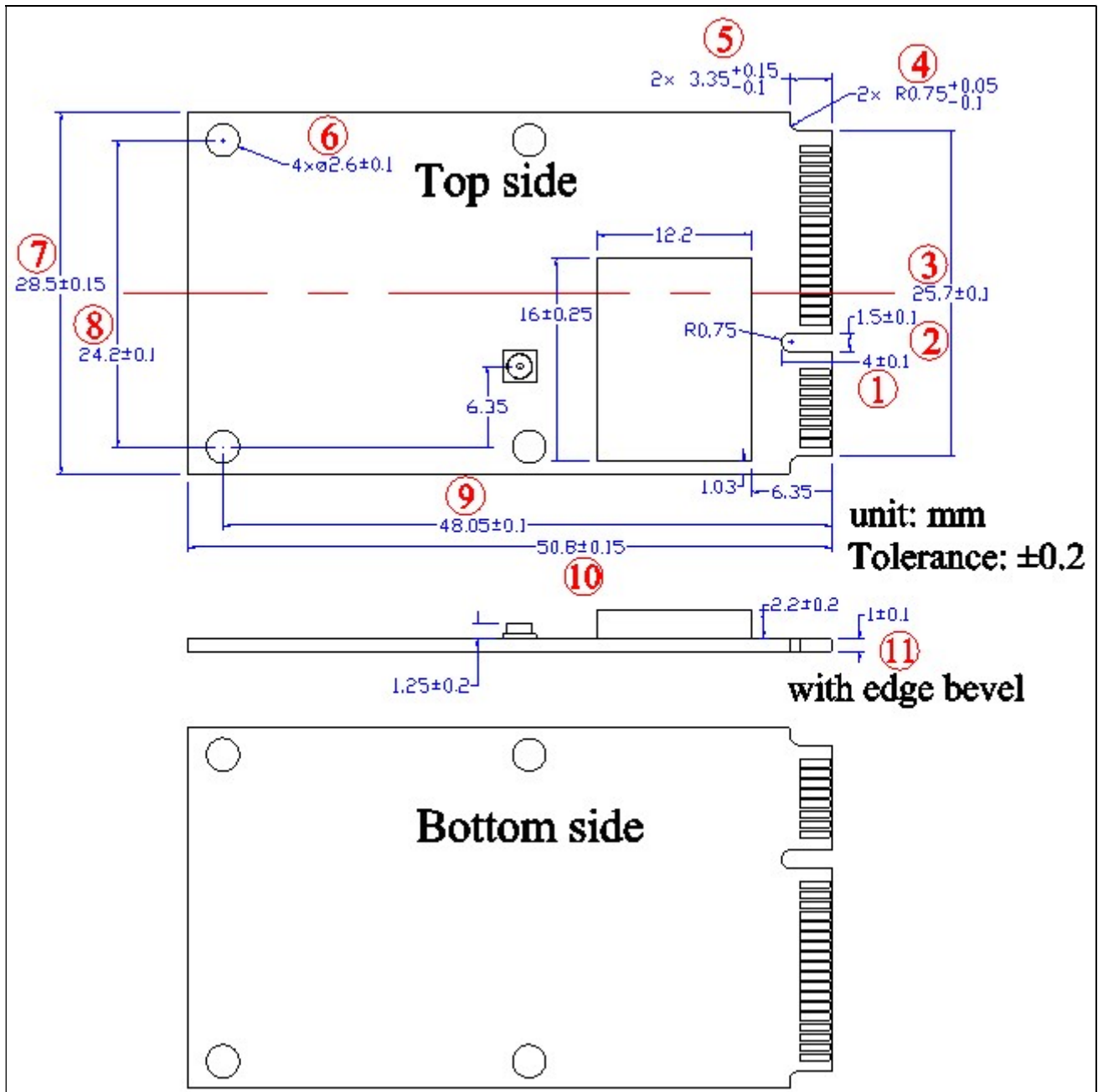
Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Operating Temperature	$T_{opr}$	-40	-	85	°C
Storage Temperature	$T_{stg}$	-40	25	85	°C

Note: The operating and storage temperature of the built-in micro battery are  $-20 \sim +60$  °C and  $-40 \sim +60$  °C respectively. GPS module will still work even the battery is broken or short due to temperature or other issues.

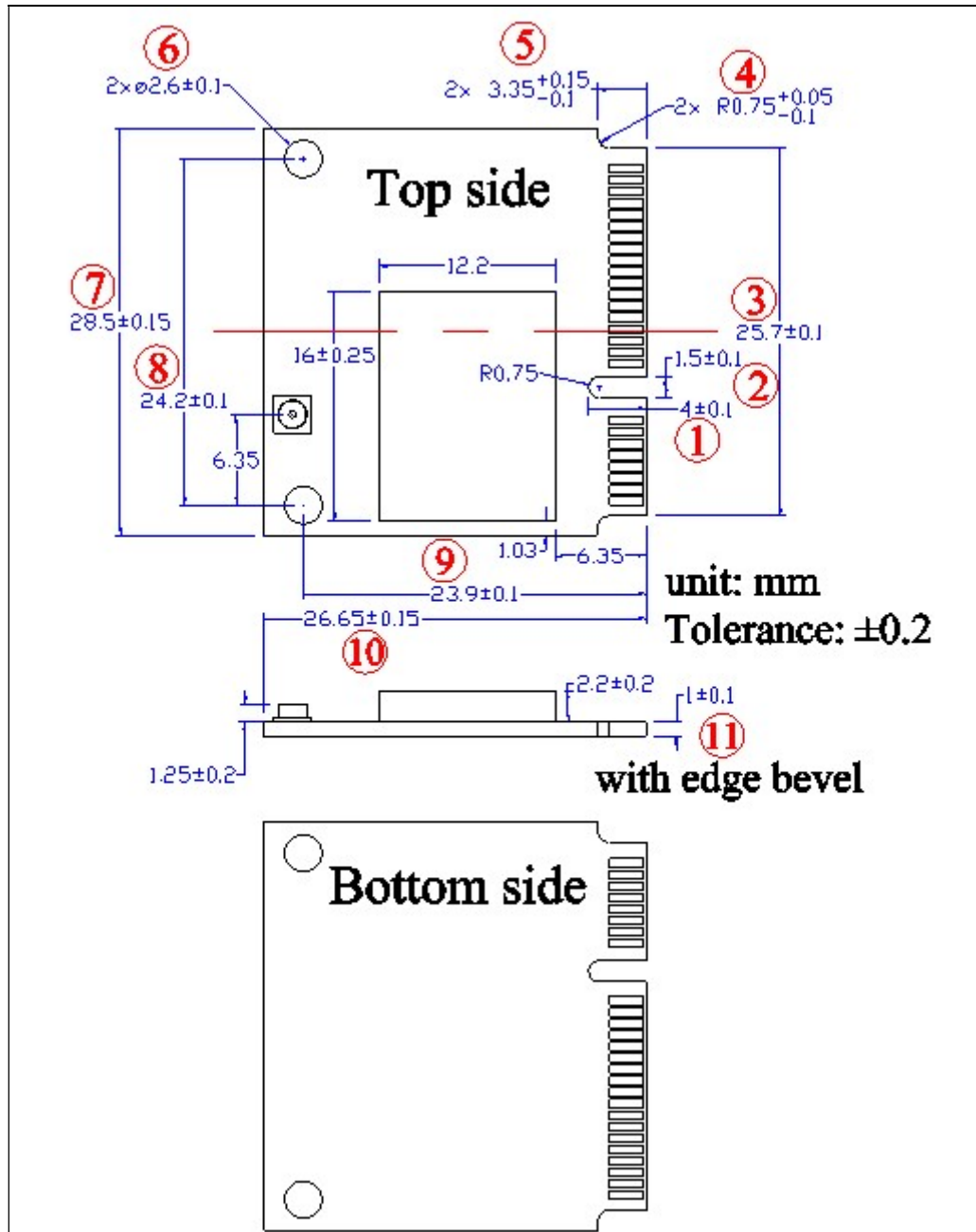
8 Mechanical specification

The dimension and pin definition are compliant with PCI Express Mini Card Revision 1.2.

8.1 Outline dimensions of LS26030



8.2 Outline dimensions of LS26031

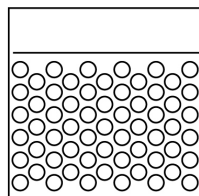


9 Packing information

Both LS26030 and LS26031 use the same package.

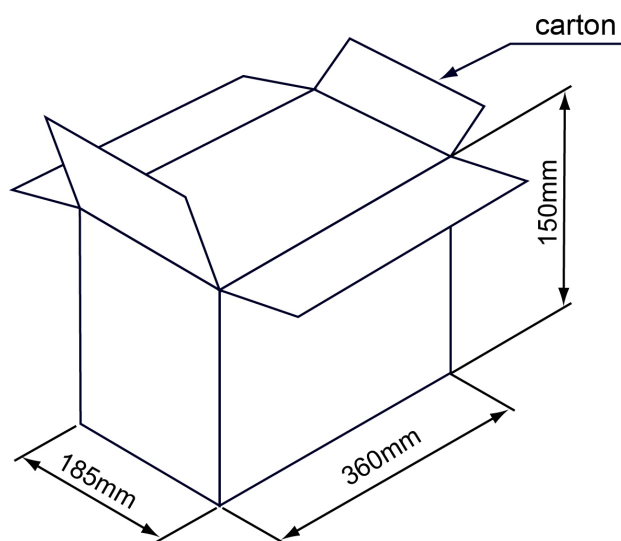


1pcs in an antistatic bag



6pcs in a bubble bag

30 bubble bags in a carton  
(180pcs)



Tolerance:  $\pm 10$  mm



## Document change list

### Revision 1.0

- First release on March 1, 2012.

### Revision 1.1 (Nov 18, 2021)

- Revised autonomous position accuracy in section 4.

### Revision 1.2 (December 22, 2021)

- Changed the packaging in section 9.