Swift Navigation Binary Protocol

Protocol Specification 2.1.

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1 Overview

The Swift Navigation Binary Protocol (SBP) is a fast, simple, and minimal binary protocol for communicating with Swift devices. It is the native binary protocol used by the Piksi GPS receiver to transmit solutions, observations, status, and debugging messages, as well as receive messages from the host operating system, such as differential corrections and the almanac. As such, it is an important interface with your Piksi receiver and the primary integration method with other systems.

This document provides a specification of SBP framing and the payload structures of the messages currently used with Swift devices. SBP client libraries in a variety of programming languages are available at http://docs.swiftnav.com/wiki/SwiftNav_Binary_Protocol.

2 Message Framing Structure

SBP consists of two pieces:

- an over-the-wire message framing format
- structured payload definitions

As of Version 2.1. , the frame consists of a 6-byte binary header section, a variable-sized payload field, and a 16-bit CRC value. All multibyte values are ordered in **little-endian** format. SBP uses the CCITT CRC16 (XMODEM implementation) for error detection[1].

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Name	Description
0	1	Preamble	Denotes the start of frame transmission. Always 0x55.
1	2	Message Type	Identifies the payload contents.
3	2	Sender	A unique identifier of the sender. On the Piksi, this is set to the 2 least significant bytes of the device serial number. A stream of SBP messages may also include sender IDs for forwarded messages. By default, clients of 'libsbp' use a sender id value of '0x42'. Sender id '0x42' is used to represent device controllers such as the Piksi Console.
5	1	Length	Length (bytes) of the Payload field.
6	N	Payload	Binary message contents.
$N+6$	2	CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check of the frame's binary data from the Message Type up to the end of Payload (does not include the Preamble).
	$N+8$		Total Frame Length

Table 2.0.1: Swift Binary Protocol message structure. N denotes a variable-length size.

3 NMEA-0183

Swift devices, such as the Piksi, also have limited support for the standard NMEA-0183 protocol.

Note that NMEA-0183 doesn't define standardized message string equivalents for many important SBP messages such as observations, baselines and ephemerides. For this reason it is strongly recommended to use SBP for new development. NMEA-0183 output is provided primarily to support legacy devices.

[1] CCITT 16-bit CRC Implementation uses parameters used by XMODEM, i.e. the polynomial: $x^{16}+x^{12}+x^5+1$. For more details, please see the implementation at https://github.com/swift-nav/libsbp/blob/master/c/src/edc.c#L59. See also *A Painless Guide to CRC Error Detection Algorithms* at http://www.ross.net/crc/download/crc_v3.txt

4 Basic Formats and Payload Structure

The binary payload of an SBP message decodes into structured data based on the message type defined in the header. SBP uses several primitive numerical and collection types for defining payload contents.

Name	Size (bytes)	Description
s8	1	Signed 8-bit integer
s16	2	Signed 16-bit integer
s32	4	Signed 32-bit integer
s64	8	Signed 64-bit integer
u8	1	Unsigned 8-bit integer
u16	2	Unsigned 16-bit integer
u32	4	Unsigned 32-bit integer
u64	8	Unsigned 64-bit integer
float	4	Single-precision float (IEEE-754)
double	8	Double-precision float (IEEE-754)
array	—	Fixed or variable length array of any fill type
string	—	Fixed or variable length string (NULL padded/terminated)
bitfield	—	A primitive type, typically a u8, can encode boolean and enumerated status flags.

Table 4.0.2: SBP primitive types

Example Message

As an example, consider this framed series of bytes read from a serial port:

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55 02 02 cc 04 14 70 3d d0 18 cf ef ff ff ef e8 ff ff f0 18 00 00 00 00 05 00 43 94
```

This byte array decodes into a `MSG_BASELINE_ECEF` (see pg. 11), which reports the baseline position solution of the rover receiver relative to the base station receiver in Earth Centered Earth Fixed (ECEF) coordinates. The segments of this byte array and its contents break down as follows:

Field Name	Type	Value	Bytestring Segment
Preamble	u8	0x55	55
Message Type	u16	`MSG_BASELINE_ECEF`	02 02
Sender	u16	1228	cc 04
Length	u8	20	14
Payload		—	70 3d d0 18 cf ef ff ff ef e8 ff ff f0 18 00 00 00 00 05 00
`MSG_BASELINE_ECEF`			
.tow	u32	416300400 msec	70 3d d0 18
.x	s32	−4145 mm	cf ef ff ff
.y	s32	−5905 mm	ef e8 ff ff
.z	s32	6384 mm	f0 18 00 00
.accuracy	u16	0	00 00
.nsats	u8	5	05
.flags	u8	0	00
CRC	u16	0x9443	43 94

Table 4.0.3: SBP breakdown for `MSG_BASELINE_ECEF`

5 Message Types

Packages define a logical collection of SBP messages. The contents and layout of messages in packages marked **stable** are unlikely to change in the future. **Draft** messages *will change with future development* and are detailed purely for *informational purposes only*. Many draft messages are implementation-defined, and some collections, such as the acquisition package, are used for internal development.

Package	Msg ID	Name	Size (bytes)	Description
Stable				
Logging	0x0401	MSG_LOG	$N+1$	Plaintext logging messages with levels
	0x0402	MSG_FWD	$N+2$	Wrapper for FWD a separate stream of information over SBP
Navigation	0x0102	MSG_GPS_TIME	11	GPS Time
	0x0103	MSG_UTC_TIME	16	UTC Time
	0x0208	MSG_DOPS	15	Dilution of Precision
	0x0209	MSG_POS_ECEF	32	Single-point position in ECEF
	0x020A	MSG_POS_LLH	34	Geodetic Position
	0x020B	MSG_BASELINE_ECEF	20	Baseline Position in ECEF
	0x020C	MSG_BASELINE_NED	22	Baseline in NED
	0x020D	MSG_VEL_ECEF	20	Velocity in ECEF
	0x020E	MSG_VEL_NED	22	Velocity in NED
	0x020F	MSG_BASELINE_HEADING	10	Heading relative to True North
	0x0210	MSG_AGE_CORRECTIONS	6	Age of corrections
Observation	0x004A	MSG_OBS	$17N+11$	GPS satellite observations
	0x0044	MSG_BASE_POS_LLH	24	Base station position
	0x0048	MSG_BASE_POS_ECEF	24	Base station position in ECEF
	0x0081	MSG_EPHEMERIS_GPS	185	Satellite broadcast ephemeris for GPS
	0x0082	MSG_EPHEMERIS_SBAS	112	Satellite broadcast ephemeris for SBAS
	0x0083	MSG_EPHEMERIS_GLO	112	Satellite broadcast ephemeris for GLO
	0x0090	MSG_IONO	70	Iono corrections
	0x0091	MSG_SV_CONFIGURATION_GPS	10	L2C capability mask
	0x0092	MSG_GROUP_DELAY	14	Group Delay
Settings	0x00A1	MSG_SETTINGS_SAVE	0	Save settings to flash
	0x00A0	MSG_SETTINGS_WRITE	N	Write device configuration settings
	0x00A4	MSG_SETTINGS_READ_REQ	N	Read device configuration settings
	0x00A5	MSG_SETTINGS_READ_RESP	N	Read device configuration settings
	0x00A2	MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_REQ	2	Read setting by direct index
	0x00A7	MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_RESP	$N+2$	Read setting by direct index
	0x00A6	MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_DONE	0	Finished reading settings
System	0xFF00	MSG_STARTUP	4	System start-up message
	0xFF02	MSG_DGNSS_STATUS	$N+4$	Status of received corrections
	0xFFFF	MSG_HEARTBEAT	4	System heartbeat message
Draft				
Acquisition	0x001F	MSG_ACQ_RESULT	16	Satellite acquisition result
	0x001E	MSG_ACQ_SV_PROFILE	$35N$	Acquisition perfomance measurement and debug
Ext Events	0x0101	MSG_EXT_EVENT	12	Reports timestamped external pin event
File IO	0x00A8	MSG_FILEIO_READ_REQ	$N+9$	Read file from the file system
	0x00A3	MSG_FILEIO_READ_RESP	$N+4$	File read from the file system
	0x00A9	MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_REQ	$N+8$	List files in a directory
	0x00AA	MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_RESP	$N+4$	Files listed in a directory

	0x00AC	MSG_FILEIO_REMOVE	N	Delete a file from the file system
	0x00AD	MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_REQ	$N + 9$	Write to file
	0x00AB	MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_RESP	4	File written to
Imu	0x0900	MSG_IMU_RAW	17	Raw IMU data
	0x0901	MSG_IMU_AUX	4	Auxiliary IMU data
Piksi	0x0069	MSG_ALMANAC	0	Legacy message to load satellite almanac
	0x0068	MSG_SET_TIME	0	Send GPS time from host
	0x00B6	MSG_RESET	4	Reset the device
	0x00B2	MSG_RESET_DEP	0	Reset the device
	0x00C0	MSG_CW_RESULTS	0	Legacy message for CW interference channel (Piksi =¿ host)
	0x00C1	MSG_CW_START	0	Legacy message for CW interference channel
	0x0022	MSG_RESET_FILTERS	1	Reset IAR filters
	0x0023	MSG_INIT_BASE	0	Initialize IAR from known baseline
	0x0017	MSG_THREAD_STATE	26	State of an RTOS thread
	0x001D	MSG_UART_STATE	74	State of the UART channels
	0x0018	MSG_UART_STATE_DEPA	58	Deprecated
	0x0019	MSG_IAR_STATE	4	State of the Integer Ambiguity Resolution (IAR) process
	0x001B	MSG_MASK_SATELLITE	5	Mask a satellite from use in Piksi subsystems
	0x00B5	MSG_DEVICE_MONITOR	10	Device temperature and voltage levels
	0x00B8	MSG_COMMAND_REQ	$N + 4$	Execute a command
	0x00B9	MSG_COMMAND_RESP	8	Exit code from executed command (device =¿ host)
Tracking	0x0013	MSG_TRACKING_STATE	$9N$	Signal tracking channel states
	0x001C	MSG_TRACKING_IQ	$8N + 5$	Tracking channel correlations
User	0x0800	MSG_USER_DATA	N	User data

Table 5.0.5: SBP message types

6 Stable Message Definitions

6.1 Logging

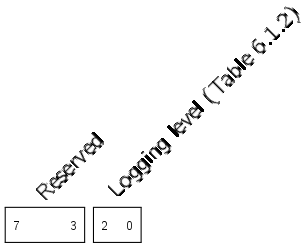
Logging and debugging messages from the device.

MSG_LOG — 0x0401

This message contains a human-readable payload string from the device containing errors, warnings and informational messages at ERROR, WARNING, DEBUG, INFO logging levels.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`level`	Logging level
1	N	string		`text`	Human-readable string
	$N + 1$				Total Payload Length

Table 6.1.1: MSG_LOG 0x0401 message structure



Field 6.1.1: Logging level (`level`)

Value	Description
0	EMERG
1	ALERT
2	CRIT
3	ERROR
4	WARN
5	NOTICE
6	INFO
7	DEBUG

Table 6.1.2: Logging level values (`level[0:2]`)

MSG_FWD — 0x0402

This message provides the ability to forward messages over SBP. This may take the form of wrapping up SBP messages received by Piksi for logging purposes or wrapping another protocol with SBP.

The source identifier indicates from what interface a forwarded stream derived. The protocol identifier identifies what the expected protocol the forwarded msg contains. Protocol 0 represents SBP and the remaining values are implementation defined.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`source`	source identifier
1	1	u8		`protocol`	protocol identifier
2	N	string		`fwd_payload`	variable length wrapped binary message
	$N + 2$				Total Payload Length

Table 6.1.3: MSG_FWD 0x0402 message structure

6.2 Navigation

Geodetic navigation messages reporting GPS time, position, velocity, and baseline position solutions. For position solutions, these messages define several different position solutions: single-point (SPP), RTK, and pseudo-absolute position solutions.

The SPP is the standalone, absolute GPS position solution using only a single receiver. The RTK solution is the differential GPS solution, which can use either a fixed/integer or floating carrier phase ambiguity. The pseudo-absolute position solution uses a user-provided, well-surveyed base station position (if available) and the RTK solution in tandem.

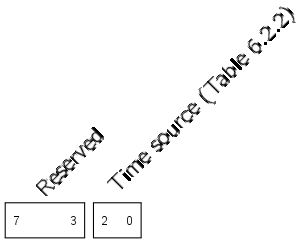
MSG_GPS_TIME — 0x0102

This message reports the GPS time, representing the time since the GPS epoch began on midnight January 6, 1980 UTC. GPS time counts the weeks and seconds of the week. The weeks begin at the Saturday/Sunday transition. GPS week 0 began at the beginning of the GPS time scale.

Within each week number, the GPS time of the week is between between 0 and 604800 seconds (=60*60*24*7). Note that GPS time does not accumulate leap seconds, and as of now, has a small offset from UTC. In a message stream, this message precedes a set of other navigation messages referenced to the same time (but lacking the ns field) and indicates a more precise time of these messages.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16	weeks	`wn`	GPS week number
2	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS time of week rounded to the nearest millisecond
6	4	s32	ns	`ns`	Nanosecond residual of millisecond-rounded TOW (ranges from -500000 to 500000)
10	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags (reserved)
	11				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.1: MSG_GPS_TIME 0x0102 message structure



Field 6.2.1: Status flags (reserved) (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	None (invalid)
1	GNSS Solution

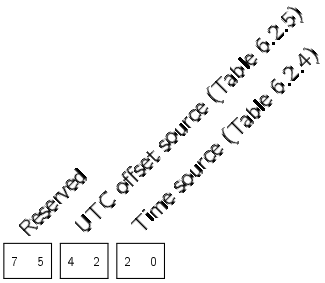
Table 6.2.2: Time source values (`flags[0:2]`)

MSG_UTC_TIME — 0x0103

This message reports the Universal Coordinated Time (UTC). Note the flags which indicate the source of the UTC offset value and source of the time fix.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`flags`	Indicates source and time validity
1	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS time of week rounded to the nearest millisecond
5	2	u16	year	`year`	Year
7	1	u8	months	`month`	Month (range 1 .. 12)
8	1	u8	day	`day`	days in the month (range 1-31)
9	1	u8	hours	`hours`	hours of day (range 0-23)
10	1	u8	minutes	`minutes`	minutes of hour (range 0-59)
11	1	u8	seconds	`seconds`	seconds of minute (range 0-60)
12	4	s32	nanoseconds	`ns`	Nanosecond residual of millisecond-rounded TOW (ranges from -500000 to 500000)
	16				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.3: MSG_UTC_TIME 0x0103 message structure



Field 6.2.2: Indicates source and time validity (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	None (invalid)
1	GNSS Solution

Table 6.2.4: Time source values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	Factory Default
1	Non Volatile Memory
2	Decoded this Session

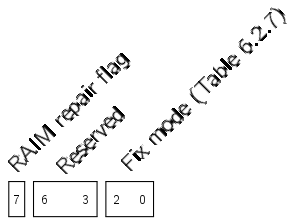
Table 6.2.5: UTC offset source values (`flags[2:4]`)

MSG_DOPS — 0x0208

This dilution of precision (DOP) message describes the effect of navigation satellite geometry on positional measurement precision. The flags field indicated whether the DOP reported corresponds to differential or SPP solution.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	2	u16	0.01	`gdop`	Geometric Dilution of Precision
6	2	u16	0.01	`pdop`	Position Dilution of Precision
8	2	u16	0.01	`tdop`	Time Dilution of Precision
10	2	u16	0.01	`hdop`	Horizontal Dilution of Precision
12	2	u16	0.01	`vdop`	Vertical Dilution of Precision
14	1	u8		`flags`	Indicates the position solution with which the DOPS message corresponds
	15				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.6: MSG_DOPS 0x0208 message structure



Field 6.2.3: Indicates the position solution with which the DOPS message corresponds (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Single Point Position (SPP)
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

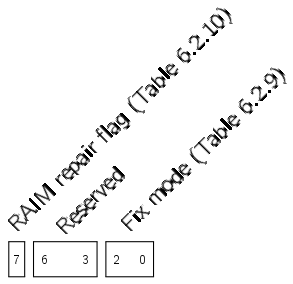
Table 6.2.7: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

MSG_POS_ECEF — 0x0209

The position solution message reports absolute Earth Centered Earth Fixed (ECEF) coordinates and the status (single point vs pseudo-absolute RTK) of the position solution. If the rover receiver knows the surveyed position of the base station and has an RTK solution, this reports a pseudo-absolute position solution using the base station position and the rover's RTK baseline vector. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	8	double	m	`x`	ECEF X coordinate
12	8	double	m	`y`	ECEF Y coordinate
20	8	double	m	`z`	ECEF Z coordinate
28	2	u16	mm	`accuracy`	Position accuracy estimate.
30	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
31	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	32				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.8: MSG_POS_ECEF 0x0209 message structure



Field 6.2.4: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Single Point Position (SPP)
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

Table 6.2.9: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	No repair
1	Solution came from RAIM repair

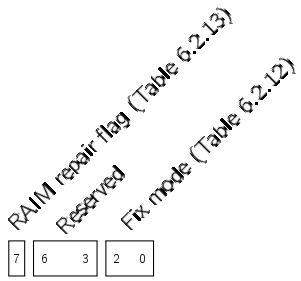
Table 6.2.10: RAIM repair flag values (`flags[7]`)

MSG_POS_LLH — 0x020A

This position solution message reports the absolute geodetic coordinates and the status (single point vs pseudo-absolute RTK) of the position solution. If the rover receiver knows the surveyed position of the base station and has an RTK solution, this reports a pseudo-absolute position solution using the base station position and the rover's RTK baseline vector. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	8	double	deg	`lat`	Latitude
12	8	double	deg	`lon`	Longitude
20	8	double	m	`height`	Height above WGS84 ellipsoid
28	2	u16	mm	`h_accuracy`	Horizontal position accuracy estimate.
30	2	u16	mm	`v_accuracy`	Vertical position accuracy estimate.
32	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution.
33	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	34				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.11: MSG_POS_LLH 0x020A message structure



Field 6.2.5: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Single Point Position (SPP)
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

Table 6.2.12: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	No repair
1	Solution came from RAIM repair

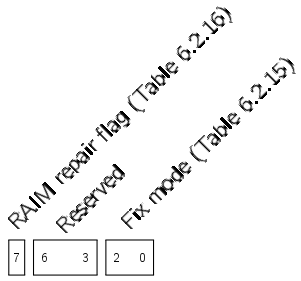
Table 6.2.13: RAIM repair flag values (`flags[7]`)

MSG_BASELINE_ECEF — 0x020B

This message reports the baseline solution in Earth Centered Earth Fixed (ECEF) coordinates. This baseline is the relative vector distance from the base station to the rover receiver. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	4	s32	mm	`x`	Baseline ECEF X coordinate
8	4	s32	mm	`y`	Baseline ECEF Y coordinate
12	4	s32	mm	`z`	Baseline ECEF Z coordinate
16	2	u16	mm	`accuracy`	Position accuracy estimate
18	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
19	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	20				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.14: MSG_BASELINE_ECEF 0x020B message structure



Field 6.2.6: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Reserved
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

Table 6.2.15: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	No repair
1	Solution came from RAIM repair

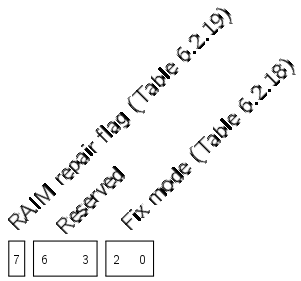
Table 6.2.16: RAIM repair flag values (`flags[7]`)

MSG_BASELINE_NED — 0x020C

This message reports the baseline solution in North East Down (NED) coordinates. This baseline is the relative vector distance from the base station to the rover receiver, and NED coordinate system is defined at the local WGS84 tangent plane centered at the base station position. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	4	s32	mm	`n`	Baseline North coordinate
8	4	s32	mm	`e`	Baseline East coordinate
12	4	s32	mm	`d`	Baseline Down coordinate
16	2	u16	mm	`h_accuracy`	Horizontal position accuracy estimate
18	2	u16	mm	`v_accuracy`	Vertical position accuracy estimate
20	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
21	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	22				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.17: MSG_BASELINE_NED 0x020C message structure



Field 6.2.7: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Reserved
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

Table 6.2.18: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	No repair
1	Solution came from RAIM repair

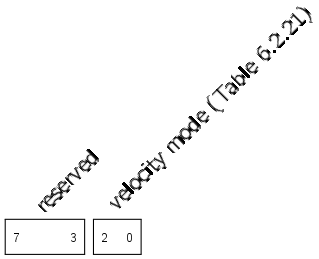
Table 6.2.19: RAIM repair flag values (`flags[7]`)

MSG_VEL_ECEF — 0x020D

This message reports the velocity in Earth Centered Earth Fixed (ECEF) coordinates. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	4	s32	mm/s	`x`	Velocity ECEF X coordinate
8	4	s32	mm/s	`y`	Velocity ECEF Y coordinate
12	4	s32	mm/s	`z`	Velocity ECEF Z coordinate
16	2	u16	mm/s	`accuracy`	Velocity accuracy estimate (not implemented). Defaults to 0.
18	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
19	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	20				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.20: MSG_VEL_ECEF 0x020D message structure



Field 6.2.8: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Measured Doppler Derived
2	Computed Doppler Derived

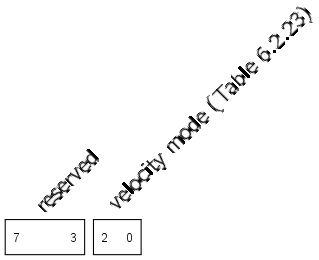
Table 6.2.21: velocity mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

MSG_VEL_NED — 0x020E

This message reports the velocity in local North East Down (NED) coordinates. The NED coordinate system is defined as the local WGS84 tangent plane centered at the current position. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow).

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	4	s32	mm/s	`n`	Velocity North coordinate
8	4	s32	mm/s	`e`	Velocity East coordinate
12	4	s32	mm/s	`d`	Velocity Down coordinate
16	2	u16	mm/s	`h_accuracy`	Horizontal velocity accuracy estimate (not implemented). Defaults to 0.
18	2	u16	mm/s	`v_accuracy`	Vertical velocity accuracy estimate (not implemented). Defaults to 0.
20	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
21	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	22				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.22: MSG_VEL_NED 0x020E message structure



Field 6.2.9: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Measured Doppler Derived
2	Computed Doppler Derived

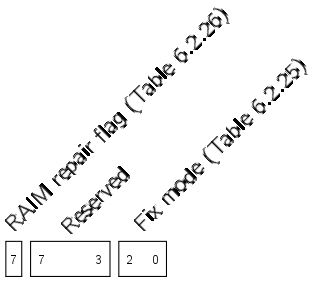
Table 6.2.23: velocity mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

MSG_BASELINE_HEADING — 0x020F

This message reports the baseline heading pointing from the base station to the rover relative to True North. The full GPS time is given by the preceding MSG_GPS_TIME with the matching time-of-week (tow). It is intended that time-matched RTK mode is used when the base station is moving.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	4	u32	mdeg	`heading`	Heading
8	1	u8		`n_sats`	Number of satellites used in solution
9	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
	10				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.24: MSG_BASELINE_HEADING 0x020F message structure



Field 6.2.10: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Reserved
2	Differential GNSS (DGNSS)
3	Float RTK
4	Fixed RTK

Table 6.2.25: Fix mode values (`flags[0:2]`)

Value	Description
0	No repair
1	Solution came from RAIM repair

Table 6.2.26: RAIM repair flag values (`flags[7]`)

MSG_AGE_CORRECTIONS — 0x0210

This message reports the Age of the corrections used for the current Differential solution

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS Time of Week
4	2	u16	deciseconds	`age`	Age of the corrections (0xFFFF indicates invalid)
	6				Total Payload Length

Table 6.2.27: MSG_AGE_CORRECTIONS 0x0210 message structure

6.3 Observation

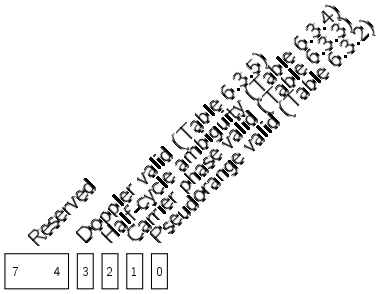
Satellite observation messages from the device.

MSG_OBS — 0x004A

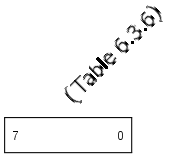
The GPS observations message reports all the raw pseudorange and carrier phase observations for the satellites being tracked by the device. Carrier phase observation here is represented as a 40-bit fixed point number with Q32.8 layout (i.e. 32-bits of whole cycles and 8-bits of fractional cycles). The observations are be interoperable with 3rd party receivers and conform with typical RTCMv3 GNSS observations.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`header.t.tow`	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
4	4	s32	ns	`header.t.ns`	Nanosecond residual of millisecond-rounded TOW (ranges from -500000 to 500000)
8	2	u16	week	`header.t.wn`	GPS week number
10	1	u8		`header.n_obs`	Total number of observations. First nibble is the size of the sequence (n), second nibble is the zero-indexed counter (ith packet of n)
$17N + 11$	4	u32	2 cm	`obs[N].P`	Pseudorange observation
$17N + 15$	4	s32	cycles	`obs[N].L.i`	Carrier phase whole cycles
$17N + 19$	1	u8	cycles / 256	`obs[N].L.f`	Carrier phase fractional part
$17N + 20$	2	s16	Hz	`obs[N].D.i`	Doppler whole Hz
$17N + 22$	1	u8	Hz / 256	`obs[N].D.f`	Doppler fractional part
$17N + 23$	1	u8	dB Hz / 4	`obs[N].cn0`	Carrier-to-Noise density. Zero implies invalid cn0.
$17N + 24$	1	u8		`obs[N].lock`	Lock timer. This value gives an indication of the time for which a signal has maintained continuous phase lock. Whenever a signal has lost and regained lock, this value is reset to zero. It is encoded according to DF402 from the RTCM 10403.2 Amendment 2 specification. Valid values range from 0 to 15 and the most significant nibble is reserved for future use.
$17N + 25$	1	u8		`obs[N].flags`	Measurement status flags. A bit field of flags providing the status of this observation. If this field is 0 it means only the Cn0 estimate for the signal is valid.
$17N + 26$	1	u8		`obs[N].sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier
$17N + 27$	1	u8		`obs[N].sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
	$17N + 11$				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.1: MSG_OBS 0x004A message structure



Field 6.3.1: Measurement status flags. A bit field of flags providing the status of this observation. If this field is 0 it means only the Cn0 estimate for the signal is valid. (`flags`)



Field 6.3.2: Signal constellation, band and code (`sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid pseudorange measurement
1	Valid pseudorange measurement and coarse TOW decoded

Table 6.3.2: Pseudorange valid values (`flags[0]`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid carrier phase measurement
1	Valid carrier phase measurement

Table 6.3.3: Carrier phase valid values (`flags[1]`)

Value	Description
0	Half cycle phase ambiguity unresolved
1	Half cycle phase ambiguity resolved

Table 6.3.4: Half-cycle ambiguity values (`flags[2]`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid doppler measurement
1	Valid doppler measurement

Table 6.3.5: Doppler valid values (`flags[3]`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 6.3.6: values (`sid.code[0:7]`)

MSG_BASE_POS_LLH — 0x0044

The base station position message is the position reported by the base station itself. It is used for pseudo-absolute RTK positioning, and is required to be a high-accuracy surveyed location of the base station. Any error here will result in an error in the pseudo-absolute position output.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	8	double	deg	`lat`	Latitude
8	8	double	deg	`lon`	Longitude
16	8	double	m	`height`	Height
	24				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.7: MSG_BASE_POS_LLH 0x0044 message structure

MSG_BASE_POS_ECEF — 0x0048

The base station position message is the position reported by the base station itself in absolute Earth Centered Earth Fixed coordinates. It is used for pseudo-absolute RTK positioning, and is required to be a high-accuracy surveyed location of the base station. Any error here will result in an error in the pseudo-absolute position output.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	8	double	m	x	ECEF X coodinate
8	8	double	m	y	ECEF Y coordinate
16	8	double	m	z	ECEF Z coordinate
	24				Total Payload Length

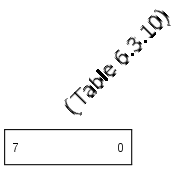
Table 6.3.8: MSG_BASE_POS_ECEF 0x0048 message structure

MSG_EPHEMERIS_GPS — 0x0081

The ephemeris message returns a set of satellite orbit parameters that is used to calculate GPS satellite position, velocity, and clock offset. Please see the Navstar GPS Space Segment/Navigation user interfaces (ICD-GPS-200, Table 20-III) for more details.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16		common.sid.sat	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
2	1	u8		common.sid.code	Signal constellation, band and code
3	1	u8		common.sid.reserved	Reserved
4	4	u32	ms	common.toe.tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
8	2	u16	week	common.toe.wn	GPS week number
10	8	double	m	common.ura	User Range Accuracy
18	4	u32	s	common.fit_interval	Curve fit interval
22	1	u8		common.valid	Status of ephemeris, 1 = valid, 0 = invalid
23	1	u8		common.health_bits	Satellite health status. GPS: ICD-GPS-200, chapter 20.3.3.3.1.4 SBAS: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid GLO: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid
24	8	double	s	tgd	Group delay differential between L1 and L2
32	8	double	m	c_rs	Amplitude of the sine harmonic correction term to the orbit radius
40	8	double	m	c_rc	Amplitude of the cosine harmonic correction term to the orbit radius
48	8	double	rad	c_uc	Amplitude of the cosine harmonic correction term to the argument of latitude
56	8	double	rad	c_us	Amplitude of the sine harmonic correction term to the argument of latitude
64	8	double	rad	c_ic	Amplitude of the cosine harmonic correction term to the angle of inclination
72	8	double	rad	c_is	Amplitude of the sine harmonic correction term to the angle of inclination
80	8	double	rad/s	dn	Mean motion difference
88	8	double	rad	m0	Mean anomaly at reference time
96	8	double		ecc	Eccentricity of satellite orbit
104	8	double	m^(1/2)	sqrta	Square root of the semi-major axis of orbit
112	8	double	rad	omega0	Longitude of ascending node of orbit plane at weekly epoch
120	8	double	rad/s	omegadot	Rate of right ascension
128	8	double	rad	w	Argument of perigee
136	8	double	rad	inc	Inclination
144	8	double	rad/s	inc_dot	Inclination first derivative
152	8	double	s	af0	Polynomial clock correction coefficient (clock bias)
160	8	double	s/s	af1	Polynomial clock correction coefficient (clock drift)
168	8	double	s/s^2	af2	Polynomial clock correction coefficient (rate of clock drift)
176	4	u32	ms	toc.tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
180	2	u16	week	toc.wn	GPS week number
182	1	u8		iode	Issue of ephemeris data
183	2	u16		iodc	Issue of clock data
	185				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.9: MSG_EPHEMERIS_GPS 0x0081 message structure



Field 6.3.3: Signal constellation, band and code (`common.sid.code`)

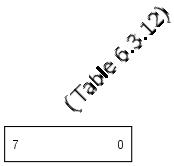
Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 6.3.10: values (`common.sid.code[0:7]`)

MSG_EPHEMERIS_SBAS — 0x0082

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16		common.sid.sat	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
2	1	u8		common.sid.code	Signal constellation, band and code
3	1	u8		common.sid.reserved	Reserved
4	4	u32	ms	common.toe.tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
8	2	u16	week	common.toe.wn	GPS week number
10	8	double	m	common.ura	User Range Accuracy
18	4	u32	s	common.fit_interval	Curve fit interval
22	1	u8		common.valid	Status of ephemeris, 1 = valid, 0 = invalid
23	1	u8		common.health_bits	Satellite health status. GPS: ICD-GPS-200, chapter 20.3.3.3.1.4 SBAS: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid GLO: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid
24	24	double[3]	m	pos	Position of the GEO at time toe
48	24	double[3]	m/s	vel	Velocity of the GEO at time toe
72	24	double[3]	m/s^2	acc	Acceleration of the GEO at time toe
96	8	double	s	a_gf0	Time offset of the GEO clock w.r.t. SBAS Network Time
104	8	double	s/s	a_gf1	Drift of the GEO clock w.r.t. SBAS Network Time
	112				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.11: MSG_EPHEMERIS_SBAS 0x0082 message structure



Field 6.3.4: Signal constellation, band and code (common.sid.code)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

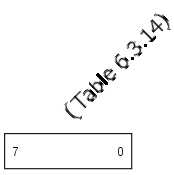
Table 6.3.12: values (common.sid.code[0:7])

MSG_EPHEMERIS_GLO — 0x0083

The ephemeris message returns a set of satellite orbit parameters that is used to calculate GLO satellite position, velocity, and clock offset. Please see the GLO ICD 5.1 "Table 4.5 Characteristics of words of immediate information (ephemeris parameters)" for more details.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16		common.sid.sat	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
2	1	u8		common.sid.code	Signal constellation, band and code
3	1	u8		common.sid.reserved	Reserved
4	4	u32	ms	common.toe.tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
8	2	u16	week	common.toe.wn	GPS week number
10	8	double	m	common.ura	User Range Accuracy
18	4	u32	s	common.fit_interval	Curve fit interval
22	1	u8		common.valid	Status of ephemeris, 1 = valid, 0 = invalid
23	1	u8		common.health_bits	Satellite health status. GPS: ICD-GPS-200, chapter 20.3.3.3.1.4 SBAS: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid GLO: 0 = valid, non-zero = invalid
24	8	double		gamma	Relative deviation of predicted carrier frequency from nominal
32	8	double	s	tau	Correction to the SV time
40	24	double[3]	m	pos	Position of the SV at tb in PZ-90.02 coordinates system
64	24	double[3]	m/s	vel	Velocity vector of the SV at tb in PZ-90.02 coordinates system
88	24	double[3]	m/s^2	acc	Acceleration vector of the SV at tb in PZ-90.02 coordinates sys
	112				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.13: MSG_EPHEMERIS_GLO 0x0083 message structure



Field 6.3.5: Signal constellation, band and code (common.sid.code)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 6.3.14: values (common.sid.code[0:7])

MSG_IONO — 0x0090

The ionospheric parameters which allow the "L1 only" or "L2 only" user to utilize the ionospheric model for computation of the ionospheric delay. Please see ICD-GPS-200 (Chapter 20.3.3.5.1.7) for more details.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`t_nmct.tow`	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
4	2	u16	week	`t_nmct.wn`	GPS week number
6	8	double	s	`a0`	
14	8	double	s/semi-circle	`a1`	
22	8	double	s/(semi-circle)^2	`a2`	
30	8	double	s/(semi-circle)^3	`a3`	
38	8	double	s	`b0`	
46	8	double	s/semi-circle	`b1`	
54	8	double	s/(semi-circle)^2	`b2`	
62	8	double	s/(semi-circle)^3	`b3`	
	70				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.15: MSG_IONO 0x0090 message structure

MSG_SV_CONFIGURATION_GPS — 0x0091

Please see ICD-GPS-200 (Chapter 20.3.3.5.1.4) for more details.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	`t_nmct.tow`	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
4	2	u16	week	`t_nmct.wn`	GPS week number
6	4	u32		`l2c_mask`	L2C capability mask, SV32 bit being MSB, SV1 bit being LSB
	10				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.16: MSG_SV_CONFIGURATION_GPS 0x0091 message structure

MSG_GROUP_DELAY — 0x0092

Please see ICD-GPS-200 (30.3.3.3.1.1) for more details.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	t_op.tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week
4	2	u16	week	t_op.wn	GPS week number
6	1	u8		prn	Satellite number
7	1	u8		valid	bit-field indicating validity of the values, LSB indicating tgd validity etc. 1 = value is valid, 0 = value is not valid.
8	2	s16	s * 2^-35	tgd	
10	2	s16	s * 2^-35	isc_l1ca	
12	2	s16	s * 2^-35	isc_l2c	
	14				Total Payload Length

Table 6.3.17: MSG_GROUP_DELAY 0x0092 message structure

6.4 Settings

Messages for reading and writing the device's device settings.

Note that some of these messages share the same message type ID for both the host request and the device response. See the accompanying document for descriptions of settings configurations and examples:

https://github.com/swift-nav/piksi\ firmware/blob/master/docs/settings.pdf

MSG_SETTINGS_SAVE — 0x00A1

The save settings message persists the device's current settings configuration to its onboard flash memory file system.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.1: MSG_SETTINGS_SAVE 0x00A1 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_WRITE — 0x00A0

The setting message writes the device configuration.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	*N*	string		`setting`	A NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING, VALUE]. A device will only process to this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.
	N				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.2: MSG_SETTINGS_WRITE 0x00A0 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_READ_REQ — 0x00A4

The setting message reads the device configuration.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	*N*	string		`setting`	A NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING]. A device will only respond to this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.
	N				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.3: MSG_SETTINGS_READ_REQ 0x00A4 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_READ_RESP — 0x00A5

The setting message reads the device configuration.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	*N*	string		`setting`	A NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING, VALUE].
	N				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.4: MSG_SETTINGS_READ_RESP 0x00A5 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_REQ — 0x00A2

The settings message for iterating through the settings values. It will read the setting at an index, returning a NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING, VALUE]. A device will only respond to this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16		`index`	An index into the device settings, with values ranging from 0 to length(settings)
	2				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.5: MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_REQ 0x00A2 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_RESP — 0x00A7

The settings message for iterating through the settings values. It will read the setting at an index, returning a NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING, VALUE].

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16		`index`	An index into the device settings, with values ranging from 0 to length(settings)
2	*N*	string		`setting`	A NULL-terminated and delimited string with contents [SECTION_SETTING, SETTING, VALUE].
	$N + 2$				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.6: MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_RESP 0x00A7 message structure

MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_DONE — 0x00A6

The settings message for indicating end of the settings values.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 6.4.7: MSG_SETTINGS_READ_BY_INDEX_DONE 0x00A6 message structure

6.5 System

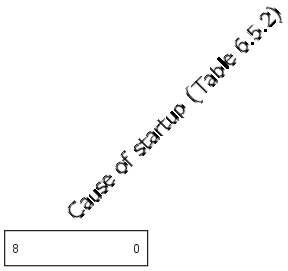
Standardized system messages from Swift Navigation devices.

MSG_STARTUP — 0xFF00

The system start-up message is sent once on system start-up. It notifies the host or other attached devices that the system has started and is now ready to respond to commands or configuration requests.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`cause`	Cause of startup
1	1	u8		`startup_type`	Startup type
2	2	u16		`reserved`	Reserved
	4				Total Payload Length

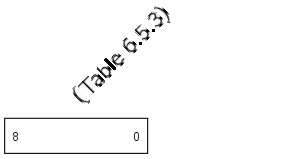
Table 6.5.1: MSG_STARTUP 0xFF00 message structure



Field 6.5.1: Cause of startup (`cause`)

Value	Description
0	Power on
1	Software reset
2	Watchdog reset

Table 6.5.2: Cause of startup values (`cause[0:8]`)



Field 6.5.2: Startup type (`startup_type`)

Value	Description
0	Cold start
1	Warm start
2	Hot start

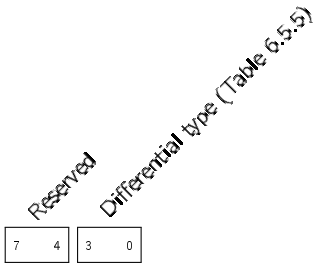
Table 6.5.3: values (`startup_type[0:8]`)

MSG_DGNSS_STATUS — 0xFF02

This message provides information about the receipt of Differential corrections. It is expected to be sent with each receipt of a complete corrections packet.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`flags`	Status flags
1	2	u16	deci-seconds	`latency`	Latency of observation receipt
3	1	u8		`num_signals`	Number of signals from base station
4	*N*	string		`source`	Corrections source string
	$N + 4$				Total Payload Length

Table 6.5.4: MSG_DGNSS_STATUS 0xFF02 message structure



Field 6.5.3: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Invalid
1	Code Difference
2	RTK

Table 6.5.5: Differential type values (`flags[0:3]`)

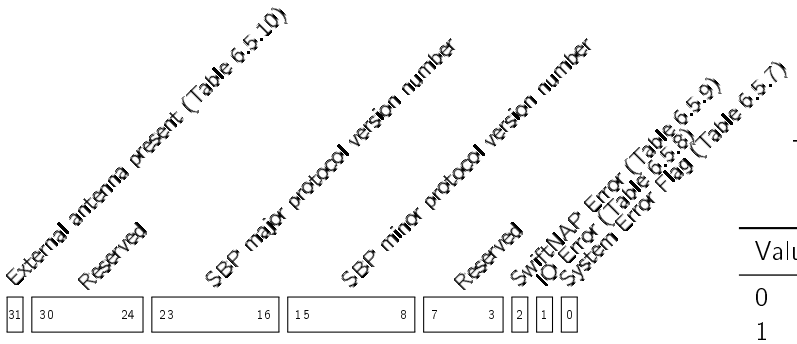
MSG_HEARTBEAT — 0xFFFF

The heartbeat message is sent periodically to inform the host or other attached devices that the system is running. It is used to monitor system malfunctions. It also contains status flags that indicate to the host the status of the system and whether it is operating correctly. Currently, the expected heartbeat interval is 1 sec.

The system error flag is used to indicate that an error has occurred in the system. To determine the source of the error, the remaining error flags should be inspected.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`flags`	Status flags
	4				Total Payload Length

Table 6.5.6: MSG_HEARTBEAT 0xFFFF message structure



Field 6.5.4: Status flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	System Healthy
1	An error has occurred

Table 6.5.7: System Error Flag values (`flags[0]`)

Value	Description
0	System Healthy
1	An IO error has occurred

Table 6.5.8: IO Error values (`flags[1]`)

Value	Description
0	System Healthy
1	An error has occurred in the SwiftNAP

Table 6.5.9: SwiftNAP Error values (`flags[2]`)

Value	Description
0	No external antenna detected
1	External antenna is present

Table 6.5.10: External antenna present values (`flags[31]`)

7 Draft Message Definitions

7.1 Acquisition

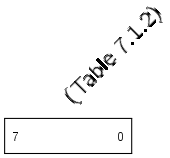
Satellite acquisition messages from the device.

MSG_ACQ_RESULT — 0x001F

This message describes the results from an attempted GPS signal acquisition search for a satellite PRN over a code phase/carrier frequency range. It contains the parameters of the point in the acquisition search space with the best carrier-to-noise (CN/0) ratio.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	float	dB Hz	`cn0`	CN/0 of best point
4	4	float	chips	`cp`	Code phase of best point
8	4	float	hz	`cf`	Carrier frequency of best point
12	2	u16		`sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
14	1	u8		`sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
15	1	u8		`sid.reserved`	Reserved
	16				Total Payload Length

Table 7.1.1: MSG_ACQ_RESULT 0x001F message structure



Field 7.1.1: Signal constellation, band and code (`sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

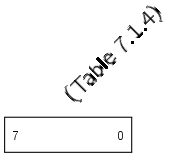
Table 7.1.2: values (`sid.code[0:7]`)

MSG_ACQ_SV_PROFILE — 0x001E

The message describes all SV profiles during acquisition time. The message is used to debug and measure the performance.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
$35N + 0$	1	u8		`acq_sv_profile[N].job_type`	SV search job type (deep, fallback, etc)
$35N + 1$	1	u8		`acq_sv_profile[N].status`	Acquisition status 1 is Success, 0 is Failure
$35N + 2$	2	u16	dB-Hz*10	`acq_sv_profile[N].cn0`	CN0 value. Only valid if status is '1'
$35N + 4$	1	u8	ms	`acq_sv_profile[N].int_time`	Acquisition integration time
$35N + 5$	2	u16		`acq_sv_profile[N].sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
$35N + 7$	1	u8		`acq_sv_profile[N].sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
$35N + 8$	1	u8		`acq_sv_profile[N].sid.reserved`	Reserved
$35N + 9$	2	u16	Hz	`acq_sv_profile[N].bin_width`	Acq frequency bin width
$35N + 11$	4	u32	ms	`acq_sv_profile[N].timestamp`	Timestamp of the job complete event
$35N + 15$	4	u32	us	`acq_sv_profile[N].time_spent`	Time spent to search for sid.code
$35N + 19$	4	s32	Hz	`acq_sv_profile[N].cf_min`	Doppler range lowest frequency
$35N + 23$	4	s32	Hz	`acq_sv_profile[N].cf_max`	Doppler range highest frequency
$35N + 27$	4	s32	Hz	`acq_sv_profile[N].cf`	Doppler value of detected peak. Only valid if status is '1'
$35N + 31$	4	u32	chips*10	`acq_sv_profile[N].cp`	Codephase of detected peak. Only valid if status is '1'
	$35N$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.1.3: MSG_ACQ_SV_PROFILE 0x001E message structure



Field 7.1.2: Signal constellation, band and code (`acq_sv_profile[N].sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 7.1.4: values (`acq_sv_profile[N].sid.code[0:7]`)

7.2 Ext Events

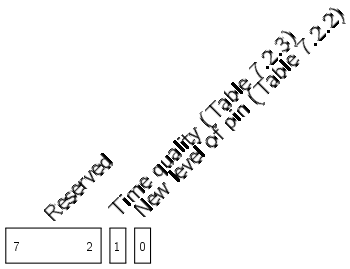
Messages reporting accurately-timestamped external events, e.g. camera shutter time.

MSG_EXT_EVENT — 0x0101

Reports detection of an external event, the GPS time it occurred, which pin it was and whether it was rising or falling.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	u16	weeks	`wn`	GPS week number
2	4	u32	ms	`tow`	GPS time of week rounded to the nearest millisecond
6	4	s32	ns	`ns`	Nanosecond residual of millisecond-rounded TOW (ranges from -500000 to 500000)
10	1	u8		`flags`	Flags
11	1	u8		`pin`	Pin number. 0..9 = DEBUG0..9.
	12				Total Payload Length

Table 7.2.1: MSG_EXT_EVENT 0x0101 message structure



Field 7.2.1: Flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Low (falling edge)
1	High (rising edge)

Table 7.2.2: New level of pin values (`flags[0]`)

Value	Description
0	Unknown - don't have nav solution
1	Good (¡ 1 microsecond)

Table 7.2.3: Time quality values (`flags[1]`)

7.3 File IO

Messages for using device's onboard flash filesystem functionality. This allows data to be stored persistently in the device's program flash with wear-levelling using a simple filesystem interface. The file system interface (CFS) defines an abstract API for reading directories and for reading and writing files.

Note that some of these messages share the same message type ID for both the host request and the device response.

MSG_FILEIO_READ_REQ — 0x00A8

The file read message reads a certain length (up to 255 bytes) from a given offset into a file, and returns the data in a MSG_FILEIO_READ_RESP message where the message length field indicates how many bytes were succesfully read.The sequence number in the request will be returned in the response. If the message is invalid, a followup MSG_PRINT message will print "Invalid fileio read message". A device will only respond to this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Read sequence number
4	4	u32	bytes	`offset`	File offset
8	1	u8	bytes	`chunk_size`	Chunk size to read
9	N	string		`filename`	Name of the file to read from
	$N + 9$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.1: MSG_FILEIO_READ_REQ 0x00A8 message structure

MSG_FILEIO_READ_RESP — 0x00A3

The file read message reads a certain length (up to 255 bytes) from a given offset into a file, and returns the data in a message where the message length field indicates how many bytes were succesfully read. The sequence number in the response is preserved from the request.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Read sequence number
4	N	u8[N]		`contents`	Contents of read file
	$N + 4$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.2: MSG_FILEIO_READ_RESP 0x00A3 message structure

MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_REQ — 0x00A9

The read directory message lists the files in a directory on the device's onboard flash file system. The offset parameter can be used to skip the first n elements of the file list. Returns a MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_RESP message containing the directory listings as a NULL delimited list. The listing is chunked over multiple SBP packets. The sequence number in the request will be returned in the response. If message is invalid, a followup MSG_PRINT message will print "Invalid fileio read message". A device will only respond to this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Read sequence number
4	4	u32		`offset`	The offset to skip the first n elements of the file list
8	N	string		`dirname`	Name of the directory to list
	$N + 8$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.3: MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_REQ 0x00A9 message structure

MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_RESP — 0x00AA

The read directory message lists the files in a directory on the device's onboard flash file system. Message contains the directory listings as a NULL delimited list. The listing is chunked over multiple SBP packets and the end of the list is identified by an entry containing just the character 0xFF. The sequence number in the response is preserved from the request.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Read sequence number
4	N	u8[N]		`contents`	Contents of read directory
	$N + 4$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.4: MSG_FILEIO_READ_DIR_RESP 0x00AA message structure

MSG_FILEIO_REMOVE — 0x00AC

The file remove message deletes a file from the file system. If the message is invalid, a followup MSG_PRINT message will print "Invalid fileio remove message". A device will only process this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	*N*	string		`filename`	Name of the file to delete
	N				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.5: MSG_FILEIO_REMOVE 0x00AC message structure

MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_REQ — 0x00AD

The file write message writes a certain length (up to 255 bytes) of data to a file at a given offset. Returns a copy of the original MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_RESP message to check integrity of the write. The sequence number in the request will be returned in the response. If message is invalid, a followup MSG_PRINT message will print "Invalid fileio write message". A device will only process this message when it is received from sender ID 0x42.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Write sequence number
4	4	u32	bytes	`offset`	Offset into the file at which to start writing in bytes
8	*N*	string		`filename`	Name of the file to write to
9	*N*	u8[N]		`data`	Variable-length array of data to write
	$N + 9$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.6: MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_REQ 0x00AD message structure

MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_RESP — 0x00AB

The file write message writes a certain length (up to 255 bytes) of data to a file at a given offset. The message is a copy of the original MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_REQ message to check integrity of the write. The sequence number in the response is preserved from the request.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Write sequence number
	4				Total Payload Length

Table 7.3.7: MSG_FILEIO_WRITE_RESP 0x00AB message structure

7.4 Imu

Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) messages.

MSG_IMU_RAW — 0x0900

Raw data from the Inertial Measurement Unit, containing accelerometer and gyroscope readings.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32	ms	tow	Milliseconds since start of GPS week. If the high bit is set, the time is unknown or invalid.
4	1	u8	ms / 256	tow_f	Milliseconds since start of GPS week, fractional part
5	2	s16		acc_x	Acceleration in the body frame X axis
7	2	s16		acc_y	Acceleration in the body frame Y axis
9	2	s16		acc_z	Acceleration in the body frame Z axis
11	2	s16		gyr_x	Angular rate around the body frame X axis
13	2	s16		gyr_y	Angular rate around the body frame Y axis
15	2	s16		gyr_z	Angular rate around the body frame Z axis
	17				Total Payload Length

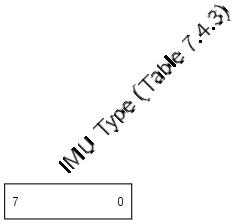
Table 7.4.1: MSG_IMU_RAW 0x0900 message structure

MSG_IMU_AUX — 0x0901

Auxiliary data specific to a particular IMU. The 'imu_type' field will always be consistent but the rest of the payload is device specific and depends on the value of 'imu_type'.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`imu_type`	IMU type
1	2	s16		`temp`	Raw IMU temperature
3	1	u8		`imu_conf`	IMU configuration
	4				Total Payload Length

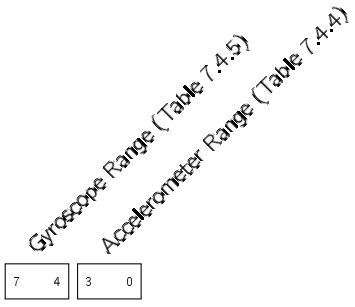
Table 7.4.2: MSG_IMU_AUX 0x0901 message structure



Field 7.4.1: IMU type (`imu_type`)

Value	Description
0	Bosch BMI160

Table 7.4.3: IMU Type values (`imu_type[0:7]`)



Field 7.4.2: IMU configuration (`imu_conf`)

Value	Description
0	+/- 2g
1	+/- 4g
2	+/- 8g
3	+/- 16g

Table 7.4.4: Accelerometer Range values (`imu_conf[0:3]`)

Value	Description
0	+/- 2000 deg / s
1	+/- 1000 deg / s
2	+/- 500 deg / s
3	+/- 250 deg / s
4	+/- 125 deg / s

Table 7.4.5: Gyroscope Range values (`imu_conf[4:7]`)

7.5 Piksi

System health, configuration, and diagnostic messages specific to the Piksi L1 receiver, including a variety of legacy messages that may no longer be used.

MSG_ALMANAC — 0x0069

This is a legacy message for sending and loading a satellite alamanac onto the Piksi's flash memory from the host.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.1: MSG_ALMANAC 0x0069 message structure

MSG_SET_TIME — 0x0068

This message sets up timing functionality using a coarse GPS time estimate sent by the host.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

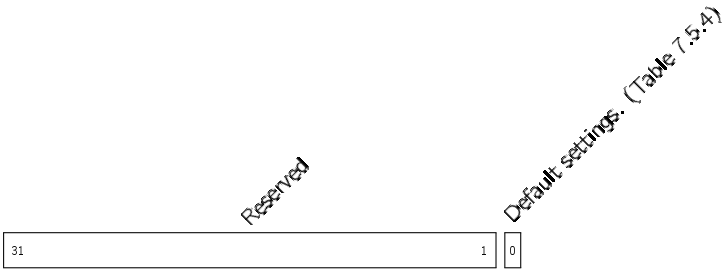
Table 7.5.2: MSG_SET_TIME 0x0068 message structure

MSG_RESET — 0x00B6

This message from the host resets the Piksi back into the bootloader.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`flags`	Reset flags
	4				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.3: MSG_RESET 0x00B6 message structure



Field 7.5.1: Reset flags (`flags`)

Value	Description
0	Preserve existing settings.
1	Resore default settings.

Table 7.5.4: Default settings. values (`flags[0]`)

MSG_RESET_DEP — 0x00B2

This message from the host resets the Piksi back into the bootloader.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.5: MSG_RESET_DEP 0x00B2 message structure

MSG_CW_RESULTS — 0x00C0

This is an unused legacy message for result reporting from the CW interference channel on the SwiftNAP. This message will be removed in a future release.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.6: MSG_CW_RESULTS 0x00C0 message structure

MSG_CW_START — 0x00C1

This is an unused legacy message from the host for starting the CW interference channel on the SwiftNAP. This message will be removed in a future release.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

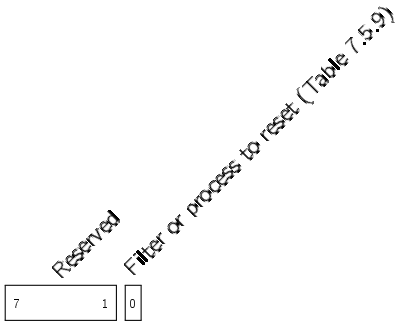
Table 7.5.7: MSG_CW_START 0x00C1 message structure

MSG_RESET_FILTERS — 0x0022

This message resets either the DGNSS Kalman filters or Integer Ambiguity Resolution (IAR) process.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`filter`	Filter flags
	1				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.8: MSG_RESET_FILTERS 0x0022 message structure



Field 7.5.2: Filter flags (`filter`)

Value	Description
0	DGNSS filter
1	IAR process

Table 7.5.9: Filter or process to reset values (`filter[0]`)

MSG_INIT_BASE — 0x0023

This message initializes the integer ambiguity resolution (IAR) process on the Piksi to use an assumed baseline position between the base station and rover receivers. Warns via MSG_PRINT if there aren't a shared minimum number (4) of satellite observations between the two.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
	0				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.10: MSG_INIT_BASE 0x0023 message structure

MSG_THREAD_STATE — 0x0017

The thread usage message from the device reports real-time operating system (RTOS) thread usage statistics for the named thread. The reported percentage values must be normalized.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	20	string		`name`	Thread name (NULL terminated)
20	2	u16		`cpu`	Percentage cpu use for this thread. Values range from 0 - 1000 and needs to be renormalized to 100
22	4	u32	bytes	`stack_free`	Free stack space for this thread
	26				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.11: MSG_THREAD_STATE 0x0017 message structure

MSG_UART_STATE — 0x001D

The UART message reports data latency and throughput of the UART channels providing SBP I/O. On the default Piksi configuration, UARTs A and B are used for telemetry radios, but can also be host access ports for embedded hosts, or other interfaces in future. The reported percentage values must be normalized. Observations latency and period can be used to assess the health of the differential corrections link. Latency provides the timeliness of received base observations while the period indicates their likelihood of transmission.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	float	kB/s	uart_a.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
4	4	float	kB/s	uart_a.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
8	2	u16		uart_a.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
10	2	u16		uart_a.io_error_count	UART IO error count
12	1	u8		uart_a.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
13	1	u8		uart_a.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
14	4	float	kB/s	uart_b.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
18	4	float	kB/s	uart_b.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
22	2	u16		uart_b.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
24	2	u16		uart_b.io_error_count	UART IO error count
26	1	u8		uart_b.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
27	1	u8		uart_b.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
28	4	float	kB/s	uart_ftdi.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
32	4	float	kB/s	uart_ftdi.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
36	2	u16		uart_ftdi.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
38	2	u16		uart_ftdi.io_error_count	UART IO error count
40	1	u8		uart_ftdi.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
41	1	u8		uart_ftdi.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
42	4	s32	ms	latency.avg	Average latency
46	4	s32	ms	latency.lmin	Minimum latency
50	4	s32	ms	latency.lmax	Maximum latency
54	4	s32	ms	latency.current	Smoothed estimate of the current latency
58	4	s32	ms	obs_period.avg	Average period
62	4	s32	ms	obs_period.pmin	Minimum period
66	4	s32	ms	obs_period.pmax	Maximum period
70	4	s32	ms	obs_period.current	Smoothed estimate of the current period
	74				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.12: MSG_UART_STATE 0x001D message structure

MSG_UART_STATE_DEPA — 0x0018

Deprecated

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	float	kB/s	uart_a.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
4	4	float	kB/s	uart_a.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
8	2	u16		uart_a.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
10	2	u16		uart_a.io_error_count	UART IO error count
12	1	u8		uart_a.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
13	1	u8		uart_a.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
14	4	float	kB/s	uart_b.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
18	4	float	kB/s	uart_b.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
22	2	u16		uart_b.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
24	2	u16		uart_b.io_error_count	UART IO error count
26	1	u8		uart_b.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
27	1	u8		uart_b.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
28	4	float	kB/s	uart_ftdi.tx_throughput	UART transmit throughput
32	4	float	kB/s	uart_ftdi.rx_throughput	UART receive throughput
36	2	u16		uart_ftdi.crc_error_count	UART CRC error count
38	2	u16		uart_ftdi.io_error_count	UART IO error count
40	1	u8		uart_ftdi.tx_buffer_level	UART transmit buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
41	1	u8		uart_ftdi.rx_buffer_level	UART receive buffer percentage utilization (ranges from 0 to 255)
42	4	s32	ms	latency.avg	Average latency
46	4	s32	ms	latency.lmin	Minimum latency
50	4	s32	ms	latency.lmax	Maximum latency
54	4	s32	ms	latency.current	Smoothed estimate of the current latency
	58				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.13: MSG_UART_STATE_DEPA 0x0018 message structure

MSG_IAR_STATE — 0x0019

This message reports the state of the Integer Ambiguity Resolution (IAR) process, which resolves unknown integer ambiguities from double-differenced carrier-phase measurements from satellite observations.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`num_hyps`	Number of integer ambiguity hypotheses remaining
	4				Total Payload Length

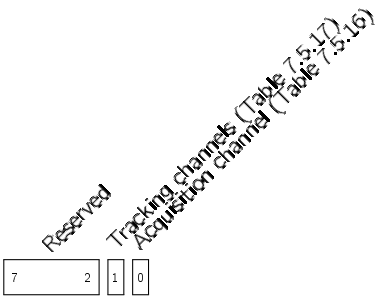
Table 7.5.14: MSG_IAR_STATE 0x0019 message structure

MSG_MASK_SATELLITE — 0x001B

This message allows setting a mask to prevent a particular satellite from being used in various Piksi subsystems.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`mask`	Mask of systems that should ignore this satellite.
1	2	u16		`sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
3	1	u8		`sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
4	1	u8		`sid.reserved`	Reserved
	5				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.15: MSG_MASK_SATELLITE 0x001B message structure



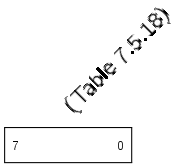
Field 7.5.3: Mask of systems that should ignore this satellite. (`mask`)

Value	Description
0	Enabled
1	Skip this satellite on future acquisitions

Table 7.5.16: Acquisition channel values (`mask[0]`)

Value	Description
0	Enabled
1	Drop this PRN if currently tracking

Table 7.5.17: Tracking channels values (`mask[1]`)



Field 7.5.4: Signal constellation, band and code (`sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 7.5.18: values (`sid.code[0:7]`)

MSG_DEVICE_MONITOR — 0x00B5

This message contains temperature and voltage level measurements from the processor's monitoring system and the RF frontend die temperature if available.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	2	s16	V * 1000	dev_vin	Device V_in
2	2	s16	V * 1000	cpu_vint	Processor V_int
4	2	s16	V * 1000	cpu_vaux	Processor V_aux
6	2	s16	degrees C * 100	cpu_temperature	Processor temperature
8	2	s16	degrees C * 100	fe_temperature	Frontend temperature (if available)
	10				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.19: MSG_DEVICE_MONITOR 0x00B5 message structure

MSG_COMMAND_REQ — 0x00B8

Request the recipient to execute an command. Output will be sent in MSG_LOG messages, and the exit code will be returned with MSG_COMMAND_RESP.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Sequence number
4	N	string		`command`	Command line to execute
	$N + 4$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.20: MSG_COMMAND_REQ 0x00B8 message structure

MSG_COMMAND_RESP — 0x00B9

The response to MSG_COMMAND_REQ with the return code of the command. A return code of zero indicates success.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	4	u32		`sequence`	Sequence number
4	4	s32		`code`	Exit code
	8				Total Payload Length

Table 7.5.21: MSG_COMMAND_RESP 0x00B9 message structure

7.6 Tracking

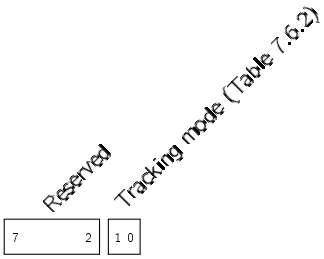
Satellite code and carrier-phase tracking messages from the device.

MSG_TRACKING_STATE — 0x0013

The tracking message returns a variable-length array of tracking channel states. It reports status and carrier-to-noise density measurements for all tracked satellites.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
$9N+0$	1	u8		`states[N].state`	Status of tracking channel
$9N+1$	2	u16		`states[N].sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
$9N+3$	1	u8		`states[N].sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
$9N+4$	1	u8		`states[N].sid.reserved`	Reserved
$9N+5$	4	float	dB Hz	`states[N].cn0`	Carrier-to-noise density
	$9N$				Total Payload Length

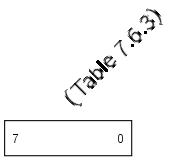
Table 7.6.1: MSG_TRACKING_STATE 0x0013 message structure



Field 7.6.1: Status of tracking channel (`state`)

Value	Description
0	Disabled
1	Running

Table 7.6.2: Tracking mode values (`state[0:1]`)



Field 7.6.2: Signal constellation, band and code (`sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

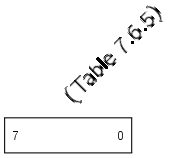
Table 7.6.3: values (`sid.code[0:7]`)

MSG_TRACKING_IQ — 0x001C

When enabled, a tracking channel can output the correlations at each update interval.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	1	u8		`channel`	Tracking channel of origin
1	2	u16		`sid.sat`	Constellation-specific satellite identifier. Note: unlike GnssSignal16, GPS satellites are encoded as (PRN - 1). Other constellations do not have this offset.
3	1	u8		`sid.code`	Signal constellation, band and code
4	1	u8		`sid.reserved`	Reserved
$8N + 5$	4	s32		`corrs[N].I`	In-phase correlation
$8N + 9$	4	s32		`corrs[N].Q`	Quadrature correlation
	$8N + 5$				Total Payload Length

Table 7.6.4: MSG_TRACKING_IQ 0x001C message structure



Field 7.6.3: Signal constellation, band and code (`sid.code`)

Value	Description
0	GPS L1CA
1	GPS L2CM
2	SBAS L1CA
3	GLO L1CA
4	GLO L2CA
5	GPS L1P
6	GPS L2P

Table 7.6.5: values (`sid.code[0:7]`)

7.7 User

Messages reserved for use by the user.

MSG_USER_DATA — 0x0800

This message can contain any application specific user data up to a maximum length of 255 bytes per message.

Offset (bytes)	Size (bytes)	Format	Units	Name	Description
0	*N*	u8[N]		`contents`	User data payload
	N				Total Payload Length

Table 7.7.1: MSG_USER_DATA 0x0800 message structure