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1 Introduction

EPO (Extended Prediction Orbit) is an AGNSS feature provided by the chipset supplier, which enables the receiver to minimize TTFF and improve accuracy in weak signal conditions. This document mainly describes the download of EPO files, AGNSS implementation, EPO related PMTK commands and how to evaluate the EPO functionality through QGNSS tool.

1.1. Differences Between Host EPO and Flash EPO

Both Flash EPO and Host EPO allow the GNSS receiver to achieve a shorter TTFF, but their differences make each of them suitable for different applications.

Host EPO (also called Real Time AGNSS) allows the receiver to store in RAM up to 6 hours of assistance data which are sent to the receiver through NMEA PMTK commands listed in *Chapter 4*. For Host EPO, there is no data retention after the GNSS receiver reboots and the data should be re-downloaded.

Flash EPO, on the other hand, allows the receiver to store in Flash 7 or 14 days' assistance data which are sent to the receiver through Binary Protocol defined by the chipset supplier. Flash EPO enables the receiver to reuse all assistance information stored in flash before the information expires. See *Chapter* **2.5** for the validity period of EPO files.

Table 1: Differences Between Flash EPO and Host EPO

Item	Flash EPO	Host EPO
Storage Space	Flash	RAM
Storage Capacity	7 or 14 days' assistance data	6 hours' assistance data
Protocol	Binary	NMEA



NOTE

The maximum period that EPO data can be stored in Flash is 14 days for GPS-only EPO files, and 7 days for GPS+GLONASS EPO files. If a 30-day GPS-only EPO file is sent, only the first 14 days of EPO data will be stored. If a 30-day GPS+GLONASS EPO file is sent, only the first 7 days of EPO data will be stored.

1.2. Applicable Modules

Not all the applicable modules support both Flash EPO and Host EPO. See the following table for the applicable modules of this document and the type of EPO supported on each module.

Table 2: The Type of EPO Supported on Applicable Modules

Series	Module	Flash EPO	Host EPO
	L26	•	•
	L76	•	•
	L76-L	•	•
Lx6	L86	•	•
	L96	•	•
	L26-LB	•	•
	L76-LB	•	•
	L70	•	•
Lx0	L80	•	•
LXU	L70-R	-	•
	L80-R	-	•
LC86L	LC86L	•	•
LG77L	LG77L	•	•



1.3. AGNSS Requirements

The host needs to provide the Reference Time, Reference Position and EPO data to the GNSS receiver. The information provided by the host needs to meet the following requirements so that the GNSS receiver can make better use of EPO:

- The Reference Time should be accurate within 3 s and must be specified in UTC time.
- The Reference Position should be accurate within 30 km around the position of the receiver. Keep
 in mind that if the receiver's view of the sky is limited, the accuracy of the Reference Position needs
 to be increased.
- The EPO data should be valid.

The receiver can benefit from any of the assistance data to improve the TTFF. All assistance data (Reference Time, Reference Position and EPO data) are useful but none of them are mandatory. If some of them are not available or have expired, it is recommended to avoid using them.

The host can send the Reference Time, Reference Position and EPO data to the GNSS receiver through the messages listed in following table. See *Chapter 4* for a detailed description of these messages.

Table 3: AGNSS Related Commands

Packet Type	Data Content
PMTK713	Reference Position.
PMTK721	GPS/GLONASS EPO data for a single satellite.
PMTK740	Reference UTC Time.
PMTK741	Reference Time and Position.



2 Download of EPO Files

Quectel does not provide any Service Level Agreement for EPO files. It is recommended to download EPO data to your own server and send them to devices so as to ensure the availability of EPO data.

2.1. Get EPO Files from Server

Table 4: Download URL of EPO Files

EPO Type	GNSS Type	EPO File URL	File Name
Unified QEPO	GPS only	http://wpepodownload.mediatek.com/ QGPS.DAT? vendorinfo	Single name: QGPS.DAT
Unified QEPO	GPS + GLONASS	http://wpepodownload.mediatek.com/ QG_R.DAT?vendorinfo	Single name: QG_R.DAT
EPO	GPS only	http://wpepodownload.mediatek.com/ EPO_GPS_3_ X .DAT? <i>vendorinfo</i>	X = 1~10 EPO_GPS_3_1.DAT to EPO_GPS_3_10.DAT
EPO	GPS + GLONASS	http://wpepodownload.mediatek.com/ EPO_GR_3_ X .DAT?vendorinfo	X = 1~10. EPO_GR_3_1.DAT to EPO_GR_3_10.DAT

The following shows a complete URL sample:

http://wpepodownload.mediatek.com/QGPS.DAT?vendor=AAA&project=BBB&device_id=CCC

- The query string starts with "?" and is separated by "&".
- The values of "vendor" and "project" (AAA, BBB in the example) are issued by Quectel, contact Quectel Technical Supports to get the value.

The value of "device_id" (CCC in the example) contains two parts – one is assigned by Quectel and the other assigned by the customer. For example: if $CCC = XXX_YYY$, the value XXX is provided by Quectel and you can contact Quectel Technical Supports to get the value, while YYY can be assigned by yourself and it must be a unique value, such as IMEI. Each device must have a unique ID.



NOTE

As there can be a maximum of 30 days' predictions, there will be up to 10 files. Slices of 30-day EPO:

_1 for days 1 to 3,

_2 for days 4 to 6,

. . .

_10 for days 28 to 30.

2.2. EPO Files Format

This part mainly illustrates the format of EPO files for GPS only and for GPS + GLONASS.

2.2.1. EPO Files Format – GPS Only

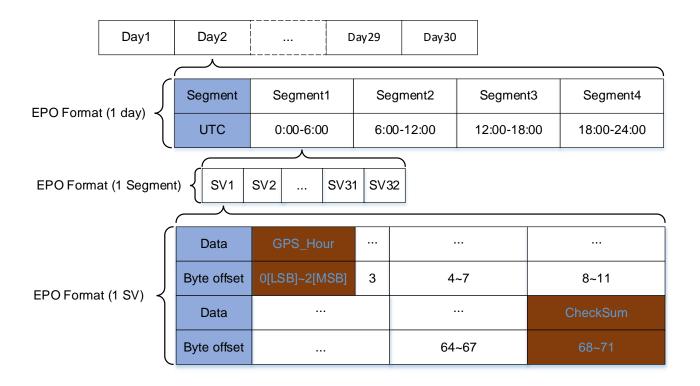


Figure 1: EPO Files Format - GPS Only

GPS_Secs = GPS_Hour * 3600 GPS_Week Number = GPS_Secs / 604800 GPS TOW = GPS_Secs % 604800



An EPO file contain GPS Time (GPS_Week, GPS_Hour and GPS_Secs). The maximum unit in GPS Time is GPS week which starts at approximately midnight of January 5th to 6th, 1980.

The following figure illustrates the format for several segments of EPO files.

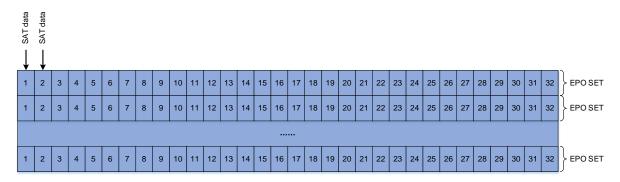


Figure 2: Format for Several Segments of EPO Files

The basic unit of an EPO file is SAT Data and the size of each SAT Data is 72 bytes. One EPO SET contains 32 SAT Data, so the data size of an EPO SET is 2304 bytes. Each EPO file contains several EPO SETs so the file size must be a multiple of 2304 bytes. An EPO SET is valid for 6 hours. Therefore, there will be 4 EPO SETs for one day.

2.2.2. EPO Files Format - GPS + GLONASS

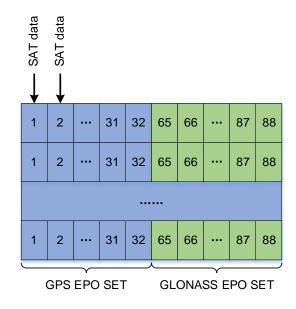


Figure 3: EPO Files Format – GPS + GLONASS

The basic unit of an EPO file is SAT Data, and the size of a SAT Data is 72 bytes. In GPS + GLONASS EPO files, one EPO SET contains 56 SAT Data, so the data size for an EPO SET is 4032 bytes. Each EPO file contains several EPO SETs. The file size must be a multiple of 4032 bytes. An EPO SET is valid



for 6 hours. Therefore, there will be 4 EPO SETs for one day.

2.3. Types of EPO Files

The EPO data can be downloaded in the form of files. You can select the most suitable file to download based on the availability of a data connection and storage space of your application. See <u>Table 4:</u> <u>Download URL of EPO Files</u> and <u>Table 5: Types of EPO Files</u> to decide on the file type to be downloaded.

Table 5: Types of EPO Files

ЕРО Туре	GNSS Type	Description
Unified QEPO	GPS only	6-hour prediction orbit (ephemeris) Single file containing the latest GPS EPO data available.
Unified QEPO	GPS + GLONASS	6-hour prediction orbit (ephemeris) Single file containing the latest GPS + GLONASS EPO data available.
EPO	GPS only	3-30 days' prediction orbit (ephemeris) Split in 10 files and each contains 3-day information.
EPO	GPS + GLONASS	3-30 days' prediction orbit (ephemeris) Split in 10 files and each contains 3-day information.



2.4. Recommended Download Procedures of EPO Files

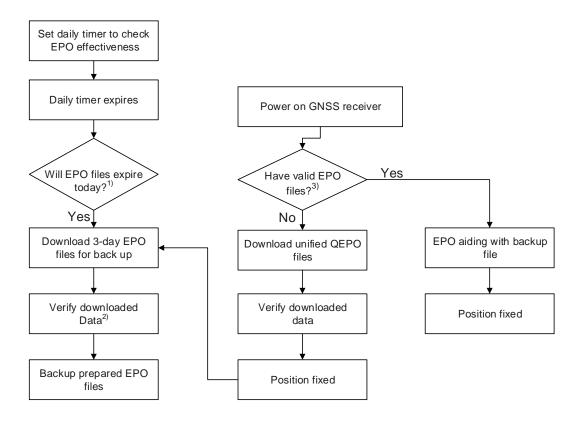


Figure 4: Recommended Download Procedures of EPO Files

NOTE

- 1. Users must know the current UTC time so as to download the valid EPO files.
- 2. Download MD5 checksum file by replacing file extension "DAT" with "MD5" for checking whether the data are correct.
- 3. If the device is powered off for a long time, EPO files stored in flash may expire.

2.5. The Validity Period of EPO Files

EPO validity period is related to the current UTC time. The EPO validity period can be obtained from the last segment of the EPO file. See <u>Figure 1: EPO Files Format – GPS Only</u> for the sample of how to calculate EPO validity period (GPS_Hour + 6). It is necessary to download the EPO file 12 hours in advance. The following codes show the conversion between UTC time and GPS time.



```
void utc_to_gpstime(kal_uint32 year,
                                              //Input year
                                 mon,
                                              //Input month: 1~12
                     kal_uint8
                     kal_uint8
                                              //Input day: 1~31
                                 day,
                     kal_uint8
                                              //Input hour: 0~23
                                 hour,
                     kal uint8
                                              //Input Minute: 0~59
                                 min,
                     kal uint8
                                              //Input second: 0~59
                                 sec,
                                 wn,
                                              //Output GPS week number
                     kal_int32*
                     double*
                                tow)
                                              //Output GPS time of week
{
    kal_int32 iYearsElapsed;
                                              //Elapsed years since 1980
    kal_int32 iDaysElapsed;
                                              //Elapsed days since Jan 5/Jan 6, 1980
    kal int32 iLeapDays;
                                              //Leap days since Jan 5/Jan 6, 1980
    kal int32 i;
    //Number of days at the start of each month (ignore leap years).
    kal_uint16 doy[12] = {0, 31, 59, 90, 120, 151, 181, 212, 243, 273, 304, 334};
    iYearsElapsed = year - 1980;
    i = 0;
    iLeapDays = 0;
    while (i <= iYearsElapsed)</pre>
        if ((i % 100) == 20)
           if ((i \% 400) == 20)
            {
               iLeapDays++;
        }
        else if ((i % 4) == 0)
           iLeapDays++;
        i++;
    /* iLeapDays = iYearsElapsed / 4 + 1; */.
    if ((iYearsElapsed % 100) == 20)
        if (((iYearsElapsed % 400) == 20) && (mon <= 2))</pre>
        {
           iLeapDays--;
        }
    else if (((iYearsElapsed % 4) == 0) && (mon <= 2))</pre>
    {
        iLeapDays--;
    iDaysElapsed = iYearsElapsed * 365 + doy[mon - 1] + day + iLeapDays - 6;
    //Convert time to GPS weeks and seconds.
    *wn = iDaysElapsed / 7;
    *tow = (double)(iDaysElapsed % 7) * <mark>86400</mark> + hour * <mark>3600</mark> + min * 60 + sec;
}
```



3 AGNSS Implementation

This chapter describes two AGNSS implementation methods: Host EPO and Flash EPO.

- Implement AGNSS with Host EPO
 The host sends EPO data to the GNSS receiver through NMEA PMTK command, such as PMTK721.
- Implement AGNSS with Flash EPO
 The EPO data are downloaded to the flash of GNSS receiver through Binary Protocol.

Flash EPO keeps data for a longer time than Host EPO.

3.1. AGNSS with Flash EPO

Flash EPO can store 7 or 14 days' EPO assistance data on flash, which enables the receiver to make use of the available data since boot time. The communication protocol of Flash EPO is Binary Protocol. In order to download assistance data to the receiver, you first need to set the device to Binary mode through PMTK253 so that the assistance data are downloaded in the binary format specified in this document. See *Chapter 3.1.2* and *Chapter 3.1.3* for details.

3.1.1. Binary Protocol

The preamble of the frame,

fixed as 0x04 0x24

2-byte Message | 2-byte | 1-byte | Checksum | The tail of the frame, fixed as 0x0D 0x0A |

Preamble | Length | MsgID | Payload | Checksum | Tail |

The range for checksum calculation

Figure 5: Structure of Binary Protocol



Table 6: Description of Binary Protocol Fields

Field	Length (Byte)	Description
Preamble	2	Fixed as 0x04 0x24.
Troumble		Use little endian.
		Total length of the messages from Preamble to Tail. Unit:
Longth	2	byte.
Length		Maximum packet size: 256 bytes.
		Use little endian.
MsgID	2	Message ID.
Payload	Variable	Payload data to be transferred.
		The checksum is the 8-bit exclusive OR of all bytes in the
Checksum	1	message between (but not including) the Preamble and the
		Checksum
Tail	2	Fixed as 0x0D 0x0A.
ıalı	2	Use little endian.

3.1.1.1. MTK_BIN_EPO (MsgID = 723)

EPO binary packet is named as MTK_BIN_EPO (MsgID = 723) for convenience.

Table 7: MTK_BIN_EPO Format

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payloa	d			Checksum	Tail
0.04.0.24 0.0052	0x02D3	EPO	SAT	SAT	SAT	0x**	0x0D 0x0A	
0x04 0x24	0x00E3	0x02D3	SEQ	Data	Data	Data	UX	UXUD UXUA
2 Pytos	2 Bytes 2 Bytes 2 By	2 Putos	2	72	72	72	1 Puto	2 Bytes
Z Bytes		Bytes	Bytes	Bytes	Bytes	Bytes	1 Byte	

An EPO file contains several SAT Data which are encapsulated in several MTK_BIN_EPO packets to be transferred to GNSS receiver. Each MTK_BIN_EPO packet contains a 2-byte EPO SEQ and 3 SAT Data fields. The length of MTK_BIN_EPO is 227 bytes. The EPO SEQ is used for synchronizing MTK_BIN_EPO packets in transfer protocol.

Sometimes, there is no enough EPO data to complete the three SAT Data fields. Some of the three fields can be left as blank, that is, to be filled with 0x00. An **MTK_BIN_EPO** packet that only contains 0–2 SAT Data is possible and acceptable. The following three **MTK_BIN_EPO** packets are examples:



Table 8: Format for MTK_BIN_EPO with 2 SAT Data

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payloa	ıd			Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x00E3	0x02D3	EPO SEQ	SAT Data	SAT Data	0x00	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	1 Byte	2 Bytes

Table 9: Format for MTK_BIN_EPO with 1 SAT Data

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payloa	d			Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x00E3	0x02D3	EPO SEQ	SAT Data	0x00	0x00	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	1 Byte	2 Bytes

Table 10: Format for MTK_BIN_EPO with No SAT Data

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payloa	d			Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x00E3	0x02D3	EPO SEQ	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	72 Bytes	1 Byte	2 Bytes

Table 11: Description of MTK_BIN_EPO Fields

Field	Length (Byte)	Description
EPO SEQ	2	Sequence number to indicate the corresponding received MTK_BIN_EPO.
SAT Data	72	Satellite EPO data.

GNSS receiver will return an ACK message for each received MTK_BIN_EPO. The message is named as MTK_BIN_ACK_EPO (MsgID = 2) for convenience. See *Chapter 3.1.1.2* for details.



3.1.1.2. MTK_BIN_ACK_EPO (Msg = 2)

This packet is usually returned after receiving an MTK_BIN_EPO packet.

Table 12: MTK_BIN_ACK_EPO Format

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payload		Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x000C	0x0002	EPO SEQ	Result	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	1 Byte	1 Byte	2 Bytes

Table 13: Description of MTK_BIN_ACK_EPO Fields

Field	Length (Byte)	Description
EPO SEQ	2	Sequence number to indicate the corresponding received MTK_BIN_EPO .
Result	1	0: The received MTK_BIN_EPO is invalid 1: The received MTK_BIN_EPO is valid

Example:

//Received a valid EPO packet whose sequence number is 0x56: 0x04 0x24 0x0C 0x00 0x02 0x00 0x56 0x00 0x01 0x59 0x0D 0x0A

//Received an invalid EPO packet whose sequence number is 0x56: 0x04 0x24 0x0C 0x00 0x02 0x00 0x56 0x00 0x00 0x58 0x0D 0x0A

3.1.1.3. Change UART Format Packet (MsgID = 253)

Changes UART communication protocol and sets baud rate.

Table 14: Format for Change UART Format Packet

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payload		Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x000E	0x00FD	Protocol	Baudrate	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	1 Byte	4 Bytes	1 Byte	2 Bytes



Table 15: Description of Change UART Format Packet Fields

Field	Length (Byte)	Description
Protocol	1	0x00 = NMEA PMTK protocol
FIOLOGOI	I	0x01 = Binary Protocol
		UART baud rate.
		0x00000000 = Default baud rate
		00002580 = 9600
		00004B00 = 19200
		00009600 = 38400
Baudrate	4	0000E100 = 57600
		0001C200 = 115200
		00038400 = 230400
		00070800 = 460800
		000E1000 = 921600
		Use little endian.

Example:

//Change UART to Binary Protocol and use baudrate 115200:

0x04 0x24 0x0E 0x00 0xFD 0x00 0x01 0x00 0xC2 0x01 0x00 0x31 0x0D 0x0A

//Change UART to PMTK protocol and use default baudrate:

3.1.1.4. ACK Packet (MsgID = 1)

This packet is usually returned after receiving Change UART Format Packet (MsgID = 253).

Table 16: ACK Packet Format

Preamble	Length	MsgID	Payload		Checksum	Tail
0x04 0x24	0x000C	0x0001	Responding MsgID	Flag	0x**	0x0D 0x0A
2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	2 Bytes	1 Byte	1 Byte	2 Bytes



Table 17: Description of ACK Packet Fields

Field	Length (Byte)	Description
Responding MsgID	2	Responding message ID.
		0x00, 0x01: Invalid: the baud rate is invalid.
Flag	1	0x02: Failure: failed to set baud rate.
		0x03: Success: succeeded to set baud rate.

Example:

//Received a valid binary packet and returned a success flag:
0x04 0x24 0x0C 0x00 0x01 0x00 0xFD 0x00 0x03 0xF3 0x0D 0x0A

3.1.2. EPO Data Transfer Protocol

EPO data are packed in MTK_BIN_EPO packets and then transferred to GNSS receiver. At the beginning of the transfer procedure, the host should split the EPO files and encapsulate them into several MTK_BIN_EPO packets, then assign a sequence number starting from zero for each MTK_BIN_EPO packet to make sure the MTK_BIN_EPO packets are transferred in correct order and not missed. The host should follow the EPO Data Transfer Protocol when transferring EPO data to GNSS receiver.

3.1.2.1. Pseudo Code for EPO Data Transfer Protocol

The following shows pseudo codes for EPO data transfer procedure, which are for reference only.

#define MTKBIN_3EPO_PKT_LNG 227

//At first, the protocol of the communication UART is supposed to be PMTK Protocol. Since EPO data are transferred by using binary packet, the protocol should be changed to Binary Protocol.

//Before starting EPO data transfer procedure, change the UART protocol setting by **PMTK253**. See **Chapter 4.3** for the details of **PMTK253**.

//The SendPmtkCmd() function must be implemented by the programmer.

//It is recommended to explicitly specify a baud rate when changing UART packet protocol, for example, \$PMTK253,1,115200*00<CR><LF>.

SendPmtkCmd ("\$PMTK253,1,0*37\r\n");

//Now the data transferred via the UART port will be regarded as binary packet format. Please create a thread to transmit/receive binary packets for the UART. And the thread *TMtkBinCmdThread()* must be implemented by the programmer.

pMtkBinCmdThread() = new TMtkBinCmdThread();



```
//Read data in the EPO file, and then verify the validity of EPO data. If the inputted EPO file is not a valid
EPO format, the programmer shall terminate the procedure.
//Please check whether the file size is a multiple of 2304 bytes or 4032 bytes.
//The fqEPO Verify File() function must be implemented by the programmer.
if (!fgEPO_Verify_File (pEpoFile))
return;
//Get total length of MTK_BIN_EPO packets that will be sent.
//Total number=ceil ((file size/72)/3)
//The i2EPO_Get_Num_Pkt function must be implemented by the programmer.
i4NumSvEpoPkt = i2EPO Get Num Pkt(pEpoFile);
//Start EPO data transfer procedure to send EPO data.
u2EpoSeq=0;
u2LastEpoSeq=0:
for (i = 0; i < i4NumSvEpoPkt; i++)
//The fgEPO_Get_One_Pkt function takes out 3 SAT Data from the EPO file and encapsulates them in an
MTK BIN_EPO packet with appropriate EPO SEQ number.
//In order to save the total transfer time, it is recommended to generate a current EPO packet first, and
then wait for MTK BIN ACK EPO acknowledgement of the previous MTK BIN EPO packet from the
GNSS receiver.
//The fgEPO_Get_One_Pkt function must be implemented by the programmer.
    if (fgEPO_Get_One_Pkt(u2EpoSeq, pEpoFile, szPktData))
//Wait for EPO acknowledgment. The GNSS receiver will return an MTK_BIN_ACK_EPO
acknowledgement packet after receiving and processing previous MTK_BIN_EPO packet. See Chapter
3.1.1.2 for the details.
//If the acknowledgment indicates failure, the process shall be terminated.
//The fgWait_Epo_Ack function must be implemented by the programmer
      if (!fgWait Epo Ack(u2LastEpoSeg))
      {
          return;
//Send current MTK BIN EPO packet. The packet size of MTK BIN EPO is MTKBIN 3EPO
_PKT_LNG.
//The function SendData must be implemented by the programmer.
```



```
pPortMtkBinThread->SendData(szPktData, MTKBIN_3EPO_PKT_LNG);
//Update sequence number.
        u2LastEpoSeq = u2EpoSeq;
        u2EpoSeq++;
    }
//Generate final MTK_BIN_EPO packet to indicate the GNSS receiver that the process is finished.
//The fgEPO_Get_Final_Pkt function must be implemented by the programmer.
vEPO Get Final Pkt(szPktData);
//Send final MTK BIN EPO packet to the GNSS receiver. The packet size of MTK BIN EPO is
MTKBIN_3EPO_PKT_LNG.
//Then the process is finished.
//The SendData function must be implemented by the programmer.
pPortMtkBinThread->SendData(szPktData, MTKBIN_3EPO_PKT_LNG);
//Switch UART protocol setting to PMTK packet format and change the baudrate to 115200 for the
communication UART. See Chapter 3.1.1.3 for the details.
//The SendMtkBinCmd function must be implemented by the programmer.
SendMtkBinCmd(0x04 0x24 0x0E 0x00 0xFD 0x00 0x00 0x00 0xC2 0x01 0x00 0x30 0x0D 0x0A);
```



3.1.3. AGNSS Procedure with Flash EPO

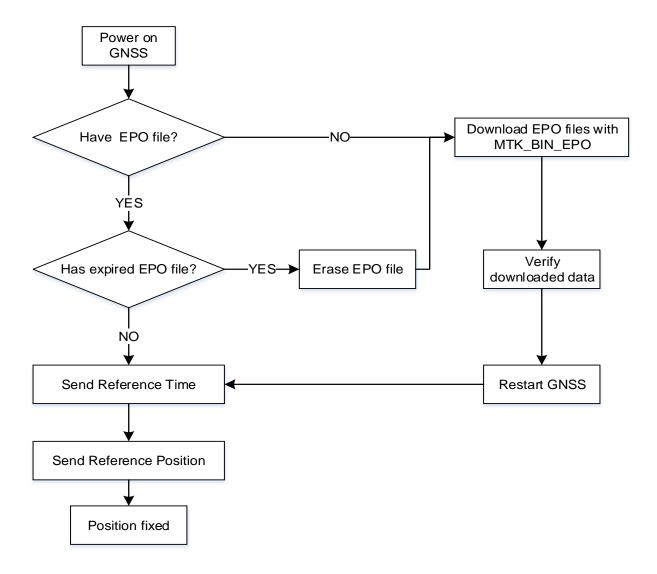


Figure 6: AGNSS Procedure with Flash EPO

- 1. Power on the GNSS module.
- 2. Check whether there are EPO data in GNSS module through PMTK607.
- 3. If there exists EPO data, go to the next step to check the data validity. Otherwise, download EPO data to GNSS module and verify downloaded data, then restart GNSS module and directly go to step 6.
- 4. Check whether the EPO file in GNSS module has expired.
- 5. If not, go to next step. Otherwise, erase expired EPO file through **PMTK127** and download a new EPO file.
- 6. Send reference time to GNSS module with PMTK740.
- 7. Send reference location to GNSS module with PMTK741 or PMTK713.
- 8. Wait for GNSS module to fix position.



3.2. AGNSS with Host EPO

Host EPO allows for a simpler text-based implementation which enables the receiver to perform a fast start up where assistance data must be sent to the receiver each time it boots. When using Host EPO, the receiver can only receive one block of assistance data valid for 6 hours.

Implementing Host EPO only requires a few PMTK sentences and all data transfer can be done in NMEA mode. See *Chapter 4* for a detailed description of **PMTK713**, **PMTK721 PMTK740** and **PMTK741**. Both assistance time and position can be sent through **PMTK741**.

3.2.1. Recommended Sequence for Host EPO

After the GNSS receiver is powered on, it will output a start-up message **\$PMTK010,001*2E** to notify the host that it has finished initialization and is capable of receiving PMTK commands. After the host receives the system startup message, it can send the assistance data in sequence shown in the <u>Figure 7:</u> <u>Suggested Sequence for Host EPO</u>. The sequence of assistance data is Reference Time, Reference Position and EPO data.

The Host EPO procedure consists of the following steps:

- 1. GNSS module starts up
- 2. The host sends Reference Time
- 3. The host sends Reference Position
- 4. The host sends EPO data.

The supplied Reference Time, Reference Position and EPO data must comply with the requirements listed in *Chapter 1.3*.

NOTE

In the current implementation, the host needs to wait for a **PMTK001** packet to be returned before sending another segment of EPO data.



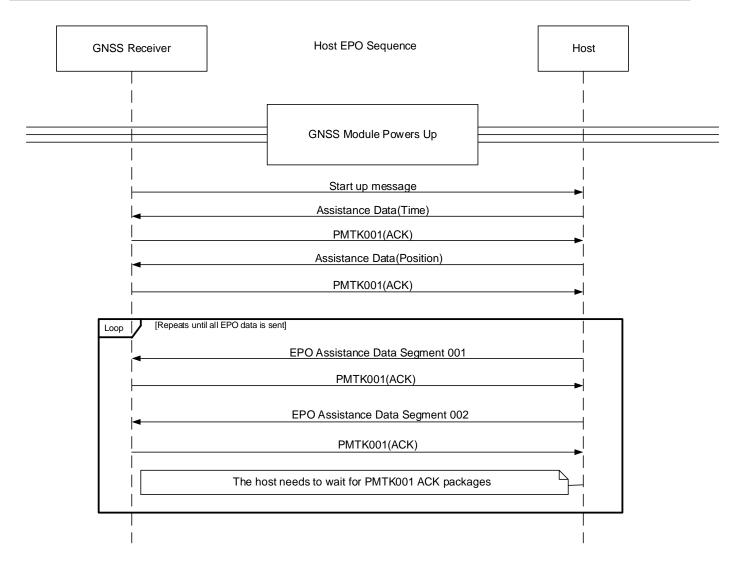


Figure 7: Suggested Sequence for Host EPO

3.2.2. Sample Code to Send EPO

The following is the reference code to send one segment of EPO data to GNSS chip. It reveals how to extract correct EPO segment from an EPO file and how to construct PMTK messages for GNSS receiver. PMTK messages for Reference Time, Reference Position, and second EPO segment are not included in this example.



```
checksum ^= (unsigned char)*sentence++;
   return checksum;
}
// translate UTC to GPS Hour
int utc_to_gps_hour(int iYr, int iMo, int iDay, int iHr)
{
   int iYearsElapsed; // Years since 1980
   int iDaysElapsed; // Days elapsed since Jan 6, 1980
   int iLeapDays; // Leap days since Jan 6, 1980
   int i;
   // Number of days into the year at the start of each month (ignoring leap years)
   const unsigned short doy[12] = \{0,31,59,90,120,151,181,212,243,273,304,334\};
   iYearsElapsed = iYr - 1980;
   i = 0;
   iLeapDays = 0;
   while (i <= iYearsElapsed)</pre>
       if ((i % 100) == 20)
           if ((i % 400) == 20)
           {
               iLeapDays++;
           }
       else if ((i % 4) == 0)
           iLeapDays++;
       }
       i++;
   if ((iYearsElapsed % 100) == 20)
       if (((iYearsElapsed % 400) == 20) && (iMo <= 2))</pre>
           iLeapDays--;
   else if (((iYearsElapsed \% 4) == 0) && (iMo <= 2))
       iLeapDays--;
   iDaysElapsed = iYearsElapsed * 365 + (int)doy[iMo - 1] + iDay + iLeapDays - 6;
   // Convert time to GPS weeks and seconds
   return (iDaysElapsed * 24 + iHr);
}
void send_assistance_data(int iYr, int iMo, int iDay, int iHr)
   FILE* fp;
   int i, segment, epo_gps_hour, current_gps_hour;
   unsigned epobuf[MTKEPO RECORD SIZE/sizeof(unsigned)];
   char strbuf[200], outbuf[200];
   // open EPO file and read the header (assume EPO file has passed integrity check)
   if (NULL == (fp = fopen("MTKEPO.bin", "rb")))
```



```
{
      return;
   fread(&epo_gps_hour, 4, 1, fp);
   epo gps hour &= 0x00FFFFFF;
   // determine the segment to use
   current_gps_hour = utc_to_gps_hour(iYr, iMo, iDay, iHr);
   segment = (current_gps_hour - epo_gps_hour) / 6;
   if ((segment < 0) || (segment >= MTKEPO_SEGMENT_NUM))
   {
      return;
   }
   // read binary EPO data and sent it to MT3339
   fseek(fp, segment*(MTKEPO_RECORD_SIZE)*(MTKEPO_SV_NUMBER), SEEK_SET);
   for (i = 0; i < MTKEPO SV NUMBER; i++)</pre>
      fread(epobuf, MTKEPO RECORD SIZE, 1, fp);
      // assume host system is little-endian
i+1,
      epobuf[0], epobuf[1], epobuf[2], epobuf[3], epobuf[4], epobuf[5],
      epobuf[6], epobuf[7], epobuf[8], epobuf[9], epobuf[10], epobuf[11],
      epobuf[12], epobuf[13], epobuf[14], epobuf[15], epobuf[16], epobuf[17]);
      sprintf(outbuf, "$%s*%02X\r\n", strbuf, calc_nmea_checksum(strbuf));
      // send them by UART
      // uart_send(outbuf, strlen(outbuf));
      printf("%s", outbuf); // for demo
   fclose(fp);
int main (void)
   // get current system time
   // ... time();
   // send assistance data of current time
   send assistance data(2009, 8, 3, 22);
   return 0;
```



4 AGNSS Related Messages

4.1. PMTK001 PMTK_ACK

Acknowledges a PMTK command. This message is returned to inform the sender that the receiver has received the packet.

Type:

Output.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK001,<CMD>,<Flag>*<Checksum>

Parameter:

Field	Format	Unit	Description
<cmd></cmd>	Numeric	-	The command types the ACK message responds.
<flag></flag>	Numeric	-	0 = Invalid command 1 = Unsupported command type 2 = Valid command, but action fails 3 = Valid command, and action succeeds

Example:

\$PMTK001,0,3*30

4.2. PMTK127 PMTK_CMD_CLEAR_EPO

Erases the EPO data stored in the GNSS receiver.

Type:

Command.



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\$PMTK127*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

None.

Result:

Returns a PMTK001 message.

Example:

\$PMTK127*36

\$PMTK001,127,3*34

4.3. PMTK253 PMTK_SET_OUTPUT_FMT

Sets data output format and baud rate for current port.

Type:

Set.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK253,<Flag>,<Baudrate>*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Default	Description
<flag></flag>		0	0 = NMEA mode
	_	0	1 = Binary mode
<baudrate> bp</baudrate>			Baud rate for the new output mode
			0: use default baud rate (not recommended)
			It is highly recommended to specify an explicit baud
			rate value. possible values will be:
	hno	445000	4800
	pps	115200	9600
			14400
			19200
			38400
			57600



115200

Result:

Returns a **PMTK001** message.

Example:

//Switch from NMEA mode to Binary mode, and use default baud rate 115200 bps:

\$PMTK253,1,0*37

//Switch from Binary mode to NMEA mode, and use baud rate 9600 bps:

\$PMTK253,0,9600*09

\$PMTK001,253,3*34

NOTE

When switching from Binary mode to NMEA mode, a binary ACK packet (**PMTK001**) will be returned after this message is executed. When switching from NMEA mode to Binary mode, no ACK packet is returned.

4.4. PMTK607 PMTK_Q_EPO_INFO

Queries the EPO data stored in the GNSS chip.

Type:

Query.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK607*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

None.

Result:

Returns a PMTK707 message.

Example:

\$PMTK607*33

\$PMTK707,56,1468,172800,1470,151200,1468,259200,1468,259200*1F



4.5. PMTK707 PMTK_DT_EPO_INFO

This message is returned	d after receiving PMT	K607 and it contains E	PO data stored in GNSS chip.
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Type:

Output.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK707,<Set>,<FWN>,<FTOW>,<LTOW>,<FCWN>,<FCTOW>,<LCTOW>*<Checksum>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Default	Description
<set></set>	-	-	Total number of EPO SET stored in GNSS chip
<fwn></fwn>	-	-	GPS week number of the first EPO SET stored in GNSS chip
<ftow></ftow>	-	-	GPS TOW of the first EPO SET stored in GNSS chip
<lwn></lwn>	-	-	GPS week number of the last EPO SET stored in GNSS chip
<ltow></ltow>	-	-	GPS TOW of the last EPO SET stored in GNSS chip
<fcwn></fcwn>	-	-	GPS week number of the first EPO SET currently used
<fctow></fctow>	-	-	GPS TOW of the first EPO SET currently used
<lcwn></lcwn>	-	-	GPS week number of the last EPO SET currently used
<lctow></lctow>	-	-	GPS TOW of the last EPO SET currently used

Result:

None.

Example:

\$PMTK707,56,1468,172800,1470,151200,1468,259200,1468,259200*1F



4.6. PMTK713 PMTK_DT_LOC

Sends Reference Position to the GNSS receiver. To have a quick TTFF, the Reference Position shall be accurate within 30 km.

Type:

Input.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK713,<Lat>,<Lon>,<Alt>,<Unc_SMaj>,<Unc_SMin>,<Maj_Bear>,<Unc_Vert><Conf>*<Checksum>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Range	Description
<lat></lat>	Degree	-90.0–90.0	WGS84 geodetic latitude. It is recommended to express this value in floating-point with 6 decimal points.
<lon></lon>	Degree	-180.0–180.0	WGS84 geodetic longitude. It is recommended to express this value in floating-point with 6 decimal points.
<alt></alt>	m	-	WGS84 ellipsoidal altitude.
<unc_smaj></unc_smaj>	m	> 0	Standard deviation of semi-major axis of error ellipse.
<unc_smin></unc_smin>	m	> 0	Standard deviation of semi-minor axis of error ellipse.
<maj_bear></maj_bear>	Degree	0–179	Orientation of semi-major axis of error ellipse.
<unc_vert></unc_vert>	m	> 0	Vertical uncertainty.
<conf></conf>	%	0–100	The confidence by which the position of a target entity is known to be within the shape description.

Result:

Returns a PMTK001 message.

Example:

\$PMTK713,24.772816,121.022636,160,333,333,6,50,67*08 \$PMTK001,713,3,24.772816,121.022636,160.000000,333.000000,333.000000,6,50.000000,67*0A



NOTE

We use Ellipsoid Point with altitude and uncertainty ellipsoid to describe poosition error shape.

4.7. PMTK721 PMTK_DT_SV_EPO

Sends GPS/GLONASS EPO data for a single satellite to GNSS receiver.

GPS satellites are identified by their PRN number, which ranges from 1 to 32.

GLONASS satellites are identified by their slot number which ranges from 1 to 24 for the full constellation of 24 satellites. <SatID> for GLONASS is assigned by slot number plus 64, which ranges from 65 to 88.

Type:

Input.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK721,<SatID>,<W[0]>,...,<W[17]>*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Range	Description	
<satid></satid>	-	GPS: 1-32 GLONASS:65-88	Satellite PRN number [represented in HEX characters] for the EPO data to follow.	
<w[0]-w[17]></w[0]-w[17]>	-	-	18 words [LSB first] of one EPO segment data (total 72 bytes).	

Result:

Returns a PMTK001 message.

Example:

\$PMTK721,4,40568B0,D6C83E84,70E8E10,FA414370,F913650C,70E71F8,F8D266CF,8732D6FD,7F1 D9CE,E59383DF,76BFB93,A60319DF,C36C3289,20173F8D,959E4561,1000001C,40000,8B94CFB6*2 C

\$PMTK001,721,17,00000000*32



4.8. PMTK740 PMTK_DT_UTC

Sends current Reference UTC time to GNSS receiver. Local time should be avoided due to time-zone offset. To have a faster TTFF, the Reference Time should be accurate with 3 s and must be specified in UTC time.

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Input.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK740,<Year>,<Month>,<Day>,<Hour>,<Minute>,<Second>*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Range	Description
<year></year>	Year	> 1980	UTC time: year in 4 digits.
<month></month>	Month	1–12	UTC time: month.
<day></day>	Day	1–31	UTC time: day.
<hour></hour>	Hour	0–23	UTC time: hour.
<minute></minute>	Minute	0–59	UTC time: minute.
<second></second>	Second	0–59	UTC time: second.

Result:

Returns a **PMTK001** message.

Example:

\$PMTK740,2010,2,10,9,0,58*05

\$PMTK001,740,3,2010,2,10,9,0,58*07



4.9. PMTK741 PMTK_DT_POS

Injects Reference Position and Reference UTC time into GNSS device to have a faster TTFF.

Type:

Input.

Synopsis:

\$PMTK741,<Lat>,<Lon>,<Alt>,<Year>,<Month>,<Day>,<Hour>,<Minute>,<Second>*<Checksum><CR><LF>

Parameter:

Field	Unit	Range	Description
<lat></lat>	Degree	-90.0–0.0	WGS84 geodetic latitude. It is recommended to express this value in floating-point with 6 decimal points. Minus: south; Plus: north.
<lon></lon>	Degree	-180.0–180.0	WGS84 geodetic longitude. It's recommended to express this value in floating-point with 6 decimal points. Minus: west; Plus: east.
<alt></alt>	m	-	WGS84 ellipsoidal altitude.
<year></year>	Year	> 1980	UTC time: year in 4 digits.
<month></month>	Month	01–12	UTC time: month.
<day></day>	Day	01–31	UTC time: day.
<hour></hour>	Hour	00–23	UTC time: hour.
<minute></minute>	Minute	00–59	UTC time: minute.
<second></second>	Second	00–59	UTC time: second.

Result:

Returns a PMTK001 message.



Example:

\$PMTK741,24.772816,121.022636,160,2016,01,01,12,00,00*17 \$PMTK001,741,3,24.772816,121.022636,160.000000,2016,1,1,12,0,0*3B



5 EPO Usage Through QGNSS

QGNSS is a Quectel official tool which allows users to evaluate the receiver performance as well as to perform different measurements on the receiver. Visit http://220.180.239.212:8177/ for details on QGNSS. This chapter describes how to evaluate the EPO functionality through QGNSS.

5.1. Testing Flash EPO with QGNSS

Steps to test Flash EPO with the QGNSS tool:

- Run the QGNSS tool.
- 2. In the main interface, click "AGNSS" → "Assistant GNSS Offline" as shown below.

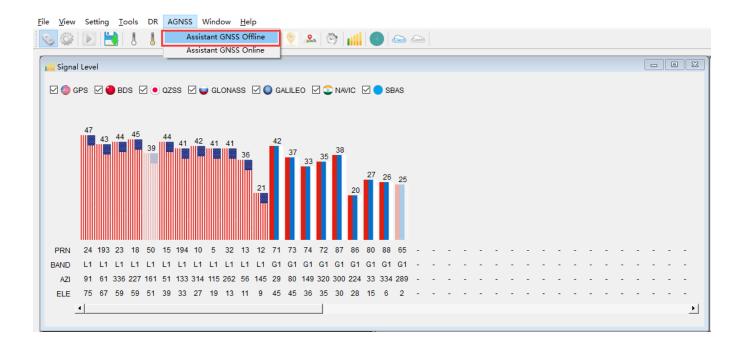


Figure 8: AGNSS Setting Interface of QGNSS

- 3. Download EPO file to the module.
 - a) Click the "Connect" button to connect to the FTP server.
 - h) Select EPO file
 - c) Click the "Download selected file" button to download the EPO file to computer.
 - d) Click the "**Download to module**" to download the EPO file to module.



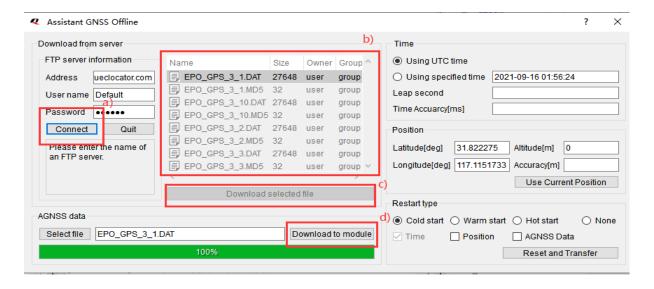


Figure 9: EPO File Downloading

Click "Tools" → "Static TTFF Testing" to enter TTFF testing window.

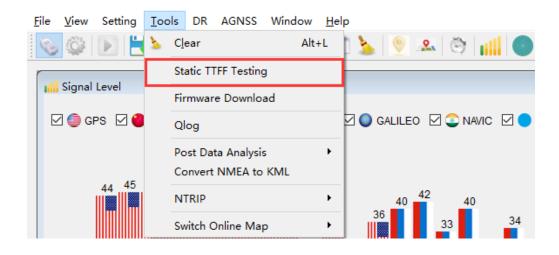


Figure 10: Static TTFF Testing

5. Check "Use AGNSS" and click "Run" to run the TTFF testing.





Figure 11: TTFF Setting

5.2. Testing Host EPO with QGNSS

The steps to test Host EPO with the QGNSS tool:

- 1. Run QGNSS tool.
- 2. In the main interface, click "Tools" -> "Static TTFF Testing" to enter the TTFF testing window.

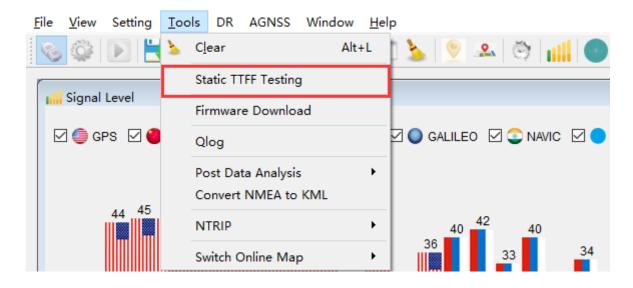


Figure 12: Static TTFF Testing



- 3. Configure parameter:
 - a) Click "Set AGNSS" and check "Use AGNSS" to enter the Assistant GNSS Online window.
 - b) Click "Connect" button to connect to FTP server.
 - c) Select EPO file and click "**Download selected file**" button to download the EPO file to computer.
 - d) Check "Using UTC time", "Cold start", "Position" and "AGNSS Data".
 - e) Enter the latitude and longitude or click "**Use Current Position**" to automatically select the last fixed position.
 - f) Click "Run" to test TTFF.

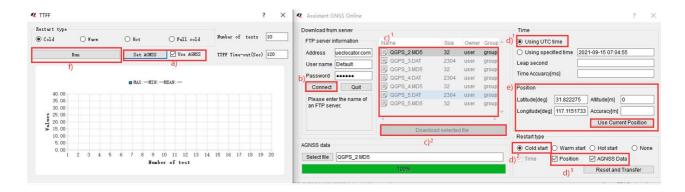


Figure 13: TTFF Setting

NOTE

1. If the Flash EPO has been tested first, use \$PMTK127*36 to clear the Flash EPO data before you perform the Host EPO testing. A Host EPO file can be selected according to UTC time:

0:00 to 6:00: EPO file 1 6:00 to 12:00: EPO file 2 12:00 to 18:00: EPO file 3 18:00 to 24:00: EPO file 4



6 AGNSS Implementation Example

This chapter gives examples to show how EPO files can be downloaded to the module.

6.1. Flash EPO Implementation

Blue: Send data Red: ACK information

//Host sends **\$PMTK253,1,0*37** for switching from NMEA mode to binary mode, NO ACK will be sent from module:

24 50 4D 54 4B 32 35 33 2C 31 2C 30 2A 33 37 0D 0A

//Host sends EPO file:

04 24 E3 00 D3 02 00 00 DC 93 05 01 C6 03 F8 9F 59 DE 0A 73 39 0F 54 00 23 25 FD 02 F4 21 0A 730D 0A

//Module will erase the area where the EPO saved.

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 38 30 30 30 2A 35 45 0D 0A

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 39 0D 0A

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 39 30 30 30 2A 35 46 0D 0A

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 61 30 30 30 2A 30 37 0D 0A

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 62 30 30 30 2A 30 34 0D 0A

24 43 4C 52 2C 45 50 4F 2C 30 30 30 61 63 30 30 30 2A 30 35 0D 0A

.

//Module returns a **PMTK001** message:

04 24 0C 00 20 00 00 00 01 0F 0D 0A

//Host sends EPO data:

04 24 E3 00 D3 02 01 00 DC 93 05 04 B2 02 F8 01 C7 71 0A 73 A6 5F 49 FC A9 68 D9 FC C9 71 0A 73 0D 0A

//Module returns a PMTK001 message:

04 24 0C 00 02 00 01 00 01 0E 0D 0A

//Host sends EPO data:

04 24 E3 00 D3 02 02 00 DC 93 05 07 1B 03 F8 3E F8 41 0A 73 2B 74 62 03 A8 4D 5F 04 C9 41 0A 73



.....0D 0A //Module returns a PMTK001 message: 04 24 0C 00 02 00 02 00 01 0D 0D 0A //Host send EPO data: 04 24 E3 00 D3 02 03 00 DC 93 05 0D 0A //Module returns a **PMTK001** message: 04 24 0C 00 02 00 03 00 01 0C OD 0A //Host send EPO data: 04 24 E3 00 D3 02 6A 00 DC 93 05 0D 0A //Module returns a **PMTK001** message: 04 24 0C 00 02 00 6A 00 01 65 0D 0A //End of host sending, no data any more: 04 24 E3 00 D3 02 FF FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00.....0D 0A //End of module reception: 04 24 0C 00 02 00 FF FF 01 0F 0D 0A //Host changes UART to PMTK protocol and use default baudrate: 04 24 0E 00 FD 00 00 00 00 00 00 F3 0D 0A

6.2. Host EPO Implementation

Blue: Send data Red: ACK information

//Host Sends cold start command: **\$PMTK103*30**: 24 50 4D 54 4B 31 30 33 2A 33 30 0D 0A

//Host sends the current UTC time command: **\$PMTK740,2021,09,18,07,34,14*35**:

24 50 4D 54 4B 37 34 30 2C 32 30 32 31 2C 30 39 2C 31 38 2C 30 37 2C 33 34 2C 31 34 2A 33 35 0D 0A

//Module returns a **PMTK001** message: **\$PMTK001**,740,2,2021,9,18,7,34,14*36:

24 50 4D 54 4B 30 30 31 2C 37 34 30 2C 32 2C 32 30 32 31 2C 39 2C 31 38 2C 37 2C 33 34 2C 31 34 2A 33 36 0D 0A

//Host sends the current location information command:



\$PMTK741,31.822218,117.115247,49.200000,2021,09,18,07,34,14*0B

24 50 4D 54 4B 37 34 31 2C 33 31 2E 38 32 32 31 38 2C 31 31 37 2E 31 31 35 32 34 37 2C 34 39 2E 32 30 30 30 30 2C 32 30 32 31 2C 30 39 2C 31 38 2C 30 37 2C 33 34 2C 31 34 2A 30 42 0D 0A

//Module returns a PMTK001 message:

\$PMTK001,741,3,31.822218,117.115247,49.200000,2021,9,18,7,34,14*09

24 50 4D 54 4B 30 30 31 2C 37 34 31 2C 33 2C 33 31 2E 38 32 32 31 38 2C 31 31 37 2E 31 31 35 32 34 37 2C 34 39 2E 32 30 30 30 30 30 2C 32 30 32 31 2C 39 2C 31 38 2C 37 2C 33 34 2C 31 34 2A 30 39 0D 0A

//Host sends EPO data:

\$PMTK721,1,10593EE,9FFC01C0,84D8DE59,E250EA6,F6326A6,84D8DE3E,75D098A,855C5F41,6F1 8520,CAD37EAE,2A797EC,A60346B9,25302423,2F28853F,24458AEA,1000001C,0000000,4B65EDB 3*19

24 50 4D 54 4B 37 32 31 2C 31 2C 31 30 35 39 33 45 45 2C 39 46 46 43 30 31 43 30 2C 38 34 44 38 44 45 35 39 2C 45 32 35 30 45 41 36 2C 46 36 33 32 36 41 36 2C 38 34 44 38 44 45 33 45 2C 37 35 44 30 39 38 41 2C 38 35 35 43 35 46 34 31 2C 36 46 31 38 35 32 30 2C 43 41 44 33 37 45 41 45 2C 32 41 37 39 37 45 43 2C 41 36 30 33 34 36 42 39 2C 32 35 33 30 32 34 32 33 2C 32 46 32 38 38 35 33 46 2C 32 34 34 35 38 41 45 41 2C 31 30 30 30 30 30 31 43 2C 30 30 30 30 30 30 2C 34 42 36 35 45 44 42 33 2A 31 39 0D 0A

//Module returns a PMTK001 message: \$PMTK001,721,3, 1,00000000*25:

24 50 4D 54 4B 30 30 31 2C 37 32 31 2C 33 2C 20 31 2C 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 2A 32 35 0D 0A

//Host sends EPO data:

\$PMTK721,2,20593EE,EEFC02B5,84D8EE28,DF12534,E55186E,84D8EEFF,F8B63471,83655362, 6F18E3E,DFA23AA6,D6EB7E5,A6001FC7,19B59076,20492A75,C32F2503,1000001C,0000000,C604 863*1C

24 50 4D 54 4B 37 32 31 2C 32 2C 32 30 35 39 33 45 45 2C 45 46 46 43 30 32 42 35 2C 38 34 44 38 45 45 32 38 2C 44 46 31 32 35 33 34 2C 45 35 35 31 38 36 45 2C 38 34 44 38 45 45 46 46 2C 46 38 42 36 33 34 37 31 2C 38 33 36 35 35 33 36 32 2C 36 46 31 38 45 33 45 2C 44 46 41 32 33 41 41 36 2C 44 36 45 42 37 45 35 2C 41 36 30 30 31 46 43 37 2C 31 39 42 35 39 30 37 36 2C 32 30 34 39 32 41 37 35 2C 43 33 32 46 32 35 30 33 2C 31 30 30 30 30 30 31 43 2C 30 30 30 30 30 30 2C 43 36 30 34 38 36 33 2A 31 43 0D 0A

//Module returns a **PMTK001** message: **\$PMTK001,721,3, 2,00000000*26**:

24 50 4D 54 4B 30 30 31 2C 37 32 31 2C 33 2C 20 32 2C 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 2A 32 36 0D 0A

.....

//Host sends EPO data:

\$PMTK721,20,200593EE,E2FC0257,84DACE24,FE391CC7,FD6A2881,84DA31D2,F8FB23C7,82F3C2 84,6F39D87,4190A41C,590822F,A601FD64,71D66A59,2004BD1E,9F31A748,100



D1E,9F31A748,1000001C,1000000,80B38D89*53

35 41 35 37 32 42 41 2A 31 36 0D 0A 24 50 4D 54 4B 37 32 31 2C 32 30 2C 32 30 30 35 39 33 45 45 2C 45 32 46 43 30 32 35 37 2C 38 34 44 41 43 45 32 34 2C 46 45 33 39 31 43 43 37 2C 46 44 36 41 32 38 38 31 2C 38 34 44 41 33 31 44 32 2C 46 38 46 42 32 33 43 37 2C 38 32 46 33 43 32 38 34 2C 36 46 33 39 44 38 37 2C 34 31 39 30 41 34 31 43 2C 35 39 30 38 32 32 46 2C 41 36 30 31 46 44 36 34 2C 37 31 44 36 36 41 35 39 2C 32 30 30 34 42 44 31 45 2C 39 46 33 31 41 37 34 38 2C 31 30 30 30 30 30 30 31 43 2C 31 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 2C 38 30 42 33 38 44 38 39 2A 35 33 0D 0A

//Module returns a **PMTK001** message: **\$PMTK001,721,3, 32,00000000*35**:

0A 24 50 4D 54 4B 30 30 31 2C 37 32 31 2C 33 2C 33 32 2C 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 2A 33 35 0D 0A



7 Appendix References

Table 18: Almanac, Ephemeris & EPO

Туре	Source	Valid	Effect
Almanac	Satellites	Several weeks	Satellites searching
Ephemeris	Satellites	< 4 hours	Positioning
EPO	Chipset supplier's server	6 hours to 30 days	Satellites searching & positioning

Table 19: Terms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
EPO	Extended Prediction Orbit
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
GLONASS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GPS	Global Positioning System
TTFF	Time to First Fix
TOW	Time of week
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
ACK	Acknowledgement
SV	Satellite Vehicle