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1 DOCUMENT OVERVIEW

1.1 POINTS OF CONTACT

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2 FRAME

2.1 MESSAGE FORMAT

All messages are transmitted within a frame with the following format:

Table 2-1 Message Format

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
SOF	0	7:4	0xD	This nibble is fixed to indicate start of frame
		3:0	n	MSG length in number of bytes (0-15)
MSG	1 : n			This is the message
 CRC	n + 1	15:8	crc	CCITT CRC16 checksum
	n + 2	7:0		

The 16 bit CRC of the frame is calculated using the CCITT algorithm with a 0x1021 truncated polynomial and an initial value of 0xFFFF. The pseudo code used to calculate the CRC is included below.

2.2 iSINC® CRC-16 CCITT PSEUDO CODE

iSINC CRC-16 CCITT Pseudo Code

```

crc = 0xFFFF
for ( number of data bytes )
{
    crc = (unsigned char)(crc >> 8) | (crc << 8)
    crc ^= data byte
    crc ^= (unsigned char)(crc & 0xff) >> 4
    crc ^= (crc << 8) << 4
    crc ^= ((crc & 0xff) << 4) << 1
}

```

3 MESSAGES (MSG)

3.1 IDENTIFIERS

The first 4 bytes of every message is the identifier (ID) which specifies the meaning of the remaining bytes. Identifiers are constructed as shown below:

Table 3-1 Message Identifiers

Field	Byte	Value	Description
Message Content	0	mid	Specify the meaning of included data bytes as per the definitions that follow
	1		
	2		
Message Source	3	uid	Unit Identification Number of the loop sensor that sent the message

A list of identifiers included in this document is given below:

Table 3-2 List of Identifiers

Identifier		Specification	Description
0x000800XX	3.2	Absolute Time Report	Reports absolute time in seconds since Thursday, 1 January 1970 (UNIX time) as determined by TGM XX
0x4C2800XX	3.3	Loop Activation Report	Reports time of activation/deactivation of loop sensor channels along with the current state of unchanged channels
0xCBE90AXX	3.4	Signature Sample Report	Reports three loop sensor samples along with the time they occurred as measured by LSM XX
0x8B4B06XX	3.5	Minima Detection Report	Reports localized minimum period for loop signature sample data along with the time it occurred as measured by LSM XX
0x8B4B05XX	3.6	Maxima Detection Report	Reports localized maximum period for loop signature sample data along with the time it occurred as measured by LSM XX



3.2 ABSOLUTE TIME REPORT

Reports absolute time in seconds since Thursday, 1 January 1970 (UNIX time). The message is issued once per second and successive time-stamped messages report time as an offset from this value:

Table 3-3 Identifiers: Absolute Time Report

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
Identifier	0	8:31	0x000800	Absolute Time Report
	1			
	2			
	3	0:7	uid	Message Source
Absolute Time Stamp	4	0:31	t_{Abs}	Current time in seconds since Thursday, 1 January 1970 (UNIX time)
	5			
	6			
	7			

3.3 LOOP ACTIVATION REPORT

Reports time of activation/deactivation of loop sensor channels with an absolute timestamp offset in $\frac{1}{4}$ mS.

A bit-wise (1 channel per bit) representation of the state (1=on, 0=off) of each channel as of this report is included along with a mask indicating which channel(s) changed at time t_1

Table 3-4 Identifiers: Loop Activation Report

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
Identifier	0	8:31	0x4C2800	Loop Activation Report
	1			
	2			
Time Stamp Offset	3	0:7	uid	Message Source
	4	15	f_{ps}	Previous Second Flag
		14:12	n/a	Reserved
		11:0	to	Absolute Time Offset for (De)Activation event(s) [$\frac{1}{4}$ mS]
Channel Mask	6	0:7	cm	Bit-wise mask of channel(s) for which state changed at time t_1 [b0=channel 0, b1= channel 1, etc.]
State Mask	7	0:7	sm	Bit-wise list of state(s) for each channel as of time t_1

3.4 SIGNATURE SAMPLE REPORT

Reports three loop sensor samples along with the time they occurred.

Each message contains one 16 bit integer absolute sample of period in nanoseconds with an absolute timestamp offset in $\frac{1}{4}$ mS.

This is followed by two 12 bit 2's complement differential samples, each with a relative (successive) timestamp in mS:

Table 3-5 Identifiers: Signature Sample Report

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
Identifier	0	8:31	0xCBE90A	Signature Sample Report
	1			
	2			
Time Stamp Offset	3	0:7	uid	Message Source
	4	15	f_{ps}	Previous Second Flag
		14:12	ch	Channel Number [0-3]
		11:0	to	Absolute Time Offset for Sample 1 [$\frac{1}{4}$ mS]
Sample 1	6	0:15	v₁	Absolute Period for Sample 1 [nanoseconds]
	7			
Sample 2	8	15:12	dt₂	Relative Time Offset for Sample 2 [mS]
		11:0	dv₂	Relative Period Offset for Sample 2 [nanoseconds - 2's complement]
	9			

Sample 3	10	15:12	dt₃	Relative Time Offset for Sample 3 [mS]
	11	11:0	dv₃	Relative Period Offset for Sample [nanoseconds - 2's complement]

3.5 MINIMA DETECTION REPORT

Reports localized minimum period (in hundredths of % of baseline) for real-time loop signature sample data along with the time it occurred. Also reports the current absolute baseline period in nanoseconds that can be used with the minima value to calculate the absolute period.

Table 3-6 Identifiers: Minima Detection Report

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
Identifier	0			
	1	8:31	0x8B4B06	Minima Detection Report
	2			
Time Stamp Offset	3	0:7	uid	Message Source
		15	f_{ps}	Previous Second Flag
	4	14:12		reserved
	5	11:0	to	Absolute Time Offset for minima event [$\frac{1}{4}$ mS]
Channel Mask	6	0:7	ch	Channel Number [0-3]
Minima Value	7	0:15	v₁	Local minima detuning [hundredths of % of baseline]
	8			
Baseline Value	9	0:15	bl	Current baseline period [nanoseconds]
	10			

3.6 MAXIMA DETECTION REPORT

Reports localized maximum period (in hundredths of % of baseline) for real-time loop signature sample data along with the time it occurred. Also reports the current baseline period in nanoseconds that can be used with the maxima value to calculate the absolute period.

Table 3-7 Identifiers: Maxima Detection Report

Field	Byte	Bits	Value	Description
Identifier	0			
	1	8:31	0x8B4B05	Maxima Detection Report
	2			
Time Stamp Offset	3	0:7	uid	Message Source
		15	f_{ps}	Previous Second Flag
	4	14:12		reserved
	5	11:0	to	Absolute Time Offset for minima event [$\frac{1}{4}$ mS]
Channel Mask	6	0:7	ch	Channel Number [0-3]
Maxima	7	0:15	v₁	

Value	8	Local maxima detuning [hundredths of % of baseline]		
Baseline Value	<u>9</u> 10	0:15	bl	Current baseline period [nanoseconds]

4 EVENT TIMING

All data reports contain a “Time Stamp Offset” (**to**) field which represents the elapsed time since the last “Absolute Time Report” (**t_{abs}**).

For single valued data reports, except as noted below, the absolute time of occurrence of the data (**t₁**) is determined by:

$$\mathbf{t_1 = t_{abs} + to}$$

For the special case of the “Signature Sample Report” there are three distinct samples (**v₁**, **v₂**, **v₃**) reported. Absolute time of occurrence of the data (**t₁**, **t₂**, **t₃**) is determined by:

$$\mathbf{t_1 = t_{abs} + to}$$

$$\mathbf{t_2 = t_{abs} + to + dt_2}$$

$$\mathbf{t_3 = t_{abs} + to + dt_2 + dt_3}$$

Note :

It is possible for **t_{abs}** to be updated while one or more data reports are in transit. In this case **to** for the affected message should be referenced to the previous **t_{abs}**. This is generally done by subtracting 1 second from the final value determined as above.

Affected messages are tagged with “Previous Second Flag” (**f_{ps}**) = 1.

5 DATA VALUES

Activation reports provide a bit-wise representation of the state of each channel as of time t_1 . Channels which changed at time t_1 are masked in a similar manner

eg. **sm** = 0b00001010 indicates that channels 1 and 3 are currently on

eg. **cm** = 0b00000010 indicates that channel 1 just changed to active

There is no indication of when channel 3 became active in the above example, only that it is currently.

For single valued data reports the value is communicated in absolute terms and is given by v_1 as noted for each message.

For the special case of the "Signature Sample Report" there are three distinct samples (v_1 , v_2 , v_3) reported. Absolute values are determined by:

$$v_1 = v_1$$

$$v_2 = v_1 + dv_2$$

$$v_3 = v_2 + dv_3$$

6 EXAMPLES

The following example serial data stream (shown on two lines to fit the page) is split into individual frames along the boundaries determined by the SOF character (in bold).

Frame 1	Frame 2	Frame 3
DA0008000657462859A09E	DE CBE90A06AF3E255CAFFCAFFE49A0	DD 8B4B050600060200202573010B
DD 8B4B0606005702001A25731B1F	DE CBE90A0620162553A003A001E002	D8 4C28000620160201
Frame 4	Frame 5	Frame 6

Figure 6-1 Serial Data Stream: Frames

Parsing of each data frame is detailed in the following tables:

Table 6-1 Serial Data: Frame 1


Frame 1	DA0008000657462859A09E			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xDA	SOF	0	7:4	0xD → start of frame
			3:0	0xA → Message length = 10 bytes 
0x00	Identifier	1	8:31	0x000800 → mid = Absolute Time Report
0x08		2		
0x00		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 → uid = Message source = UID 6
0x57	Absolute Time Stamp	5	0:32	0x57462859 → t _{Abs} = Wed, 25 May 2016 22:34:01 GMT
0x46		6		
0x28		7		
0x59		8		
0xA0	CRC	9	0:15	0xA09E → CCITT CRC16 checksum
0x9E		10		

Table 6-2 Serial Data: Frame 2

Frame 2	DECB E90A 06AF 3E25 5CAFFCAFFE 49A0			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xDE	SOF	0	7:4	$(0xDE \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0xD \rightarrow$ start of frame
			3:0	$(0xDE \& 0x0F) = 0xE \rightarrow$ Message length = 14 bytes
0xCB	Identifier	1	8:31	0xCBE90A \rightarrow mid = Signature Sample Report
0xE9		2		
0x0A		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 \rightarrow uid = Message source = UID 6
0xAF	Time Stamp Offset	5	15	$(0xAF \& 0x80) \gg 7 = 1 \rightarrow f_{ps} = \text{True}$
			14:12	$(0xAF \& 0x70) \gg 4 = 0x02 \rightarrow ch = 2$
			11:0	$(0xAF3E \& 0xFFF) = 0xF3E \rightarrow to = 3902 = 975.5 \text{ mS}$
0x3E	Sample 1	6	0:16	0x255C $\rightarrow v_1 = 9564 \text{ nS}$
0x25		7		
0x5C	1	8		
0xAF	Sample 2	9	15:12	$(0xA0 \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0x0A \rightarrow dt_2 = 10 \text{ mS}$
			11:0	$(0xAFFC \& 0xFFF) = 0xFFC \rightarrow dv_2 = -4 \text{ nS}$
0xFC		10		
0xAF	Sample 3	11	15:12	$(0xA0 \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0x0A \rightarrow dt_3 = 10 \text{ mS}$
			11:0	$(0xAFFE \& 0xFFF) = 0xFFE \rightarrow dv_3 = -2 \text{ nS}$
0xFE		12		
0x49	CRC	13	0:16	0x49A0 \rightarrow CCITT CRC16 checksum
0xA0		14		

Table 6-3 Serial Data: Frame 3

Frame 3	DD8B4B050600060200202573010B			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xDD	SOF	0	7:4	$(0xDD \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0xD \rightarrow$ start of frame
			3:0	$(0xDD \& 0x0F) = 0xD \rightarrow$ Message length = 13 bytes
0x8B	Identifier	1	8:31	0x8B4B05 \rightarrow mid = Maxima Detection Report
0x4B		2		
0x05		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 \rightarrow uid = Message source = UID 6
0x00	Time Stamp Offset	5	15	$(0x0F \& 0x80) \gg 4 = 0 \rightarrow f_{ps} = \text{False}$
			14:12	reserved
			11:0	$(0x0006 \& 0xFFF) = 0x6 \rightarrow to = 6 = 1.5 \text{ mS}$
0x06		6		
0x02	Channel Mask	7	0:7	0x02 \rightarrow ch = 2
0x00	Maxima Value	8	0:16	0x0020 $\rightarrow v_1 = 32 = 0.0032$
0x20		9		
0x25	Baseline Value	10	0:16	0x2573 \rightarrow bl = 9587 nS
0x73		11		
0x01	CRC	12	0:16	0x10B \rightarrow CCITT CRC16 checksum
0x0B		13		

Table 6-4 Serial Data: Frame 4

Frame 4	DD8B4B0606005702001A25731B1F			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xDD	SOF	0	7:4	$(0xDD \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0xD \rightarrow$ start of frame
			3:0	$(0xDD \& 0x0F) = 0xD \rightarrow$ Message length = 13 bytes
0x8B	Identifier	1	8:31	0x8B4B06 \rightarrow mid = Minima Detection Report
0x4B		2		
0x06		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 \rightarrow uid = Message source = UID 6
0x00	Time Stamp Offset	5	15	$(0x0F \& 0x80) \gg 4 = 0 \rightarrow f_{ps} = \text{False}$
			14:12	reserved
			11:0	$(0x0057 \& 0xFFFF) = 0x57 \rightarrow to = 6 = 21.75 \text{ mS}$
0x57		6		
0x02	Channel Mask	7	0:7	0x02 $\rightarrow ch = 2$
0x00	Maxima Value	8	0:16	0x001A $\rightarrow v_1 = 26 = 0.0026$
0x1A		9		
0x25	Baseline Value	10	0:16	0x2573 $\rightarrow bl = 9587 \text{ nS}$
0x73		11		
0x1B	CRC	12	0:16	0x1B1F \rightarrow CCITT CRC16 checksum
0x1F		13		

Table 6-5 Serial Data: Frame 5

Frame 5	DECBE90A0620162553A003A001E002			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xDE	SOF	0	7:4	$(0xDE \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0xD \rightarrow$ start of frame
			3:0	$(0xDE \& 0x0F) = 0xE \rightarrow$ Message length = 14 bytes
0xCB	Identifier	1	8:31	0xCBE90A \rightarrow mid = Signature Sample Report
0xE9		2		
0x0A		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 \rightarrow uid = Message source = UID 6
0x20	Time Stamp Offset	5	15	$(0x20 \& 0x80) \gg 7 = 0 \rightarrow f_{ps} = \text{False}$
			14:12	$(0x20 \& 0x70) \gg 4 = 0x02 \rightarrow ch = 2$
			11:0	$(0x2016 \& 0xFFFF) = 0x016 \rightarrow to = 22 = 5.5 \text{ mS}$
0x16		6		
0x25	Sample 1	7	0:16	0x2553 $\rightarrow v_1 = 9555 \text{ nS}$
0x53		8		
0xA0	Sample 2	9	15:12	$(0xA0 \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0x0A \rightarrow dt_2 = 10 \text{ mS}$
			11:0	$(0xA003 \& 0xFFFF) = 0x003 \rightarrow dv_2 = + 3 \text{ nS}$
0x03		10		
0xA0	Sample 3	11	15:12	$(0xA0 \& 0xF0) \gg 4 = 0x0A \rightarrow dt_3 = 10 \text{ mS}$
			11:0	$(0xA001 \& 0xFFFF) = 0x001 \rightarrow dv_3 = + 1 \text{ nS}$
0x01		12		
0xE0	CRC	13	0:16	0xE002 \rightarrow CCITT CRC16 checksum
0x02		14		

Table 6-6 Serial Data: Frame 6

Frame 6	D84C28000620160201			
Value	Field	Byte	Bits	Parse
0xD8	SOF	0	7:4	(0xDE & 0xF0) >> 4 = 0xD → start of frame
			3:0	(0xDE & 0x0F) = 0x8 → Message length = 8 bytes
0x4C	Identifier	1	8:31	0x4C2800 → mid = Loop Activation Report
0x28		2		
0x00		3		
0x06		4	0:7	0x06 → uid = Message source = UID 6
0x20	Time Stamp Offset	5	15	(0x20 & 0x80) >> 7 = 0 → f_{ps} = False
			14:12	reserved
			11:0	(0x2016 & 0xFFFF) = 0x016 → to = 22 = 5.5 mS
0x16		6		
0x02	Channel Mask	7	0:7	cm = 0x02 → Channel 2 just changed
0x01	State Mask	8	0:7	sm = 0x01 → Channel 2 is off; Channel 1 is on

A summary of data points collected is detailed below. For convenience absolute time is not shown. Time can be considered as relative to $t_{\text{Abs}} = \text{Wed, 25 May 2016 22:34:01 GMT}$ as collected in Frame 1.

Table 6-7 Data Points

Time (S)	Period (nS)	Source	Calculation	Note
-0.0245	9564	Frame 2	$t_1 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 - 1$ $v_1 = v_1$	-1 offset to time since $f_{\text{ps}} = 1$ (True)
-0.0145	9560		$t_2 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 + dt_2 - 1$ $v_2 = v_1 + dv_2$	
-0.0045	9558		$t_3 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 + dt_2 + dt_3 - 1$ $v_3 = v_2 + dv_3$	
0.0015	9556	Frame 3	$t_1 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 - 1$ $av_1 = bl - (bl \times v_1)$	Absolute value obtained using baseline and detune value sent. Sense of (Min/Max) is with respect to frequency and is counter-intuitive as sent
0.02175	9562	Frame 4	$t_1 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 - 1$ $av_1 = bl - (bl \times v_1)$	Absolute value obtained using baseline and detune value sent. Sense of (Min/Max) is with respect to frequency and is counter-intuitive as sent
0.0055	9555	Frame 5	$t_1 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0$ $v_1 = v_1$	Packet is sent once all 3 data points are collected. Since Min/Max frames contain only one point ordering can be
0.0155	9558		$t_2 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 + dt_2$ $v_2 = v_1 + dv_2$	
0.0255	9559		$t_3 = t_{\text{abs}} + t_0 + dt_2 + dt_3$ $v_3 = v_2 + dv_3$	

The following graph depicts the data obtained from the sample stream:

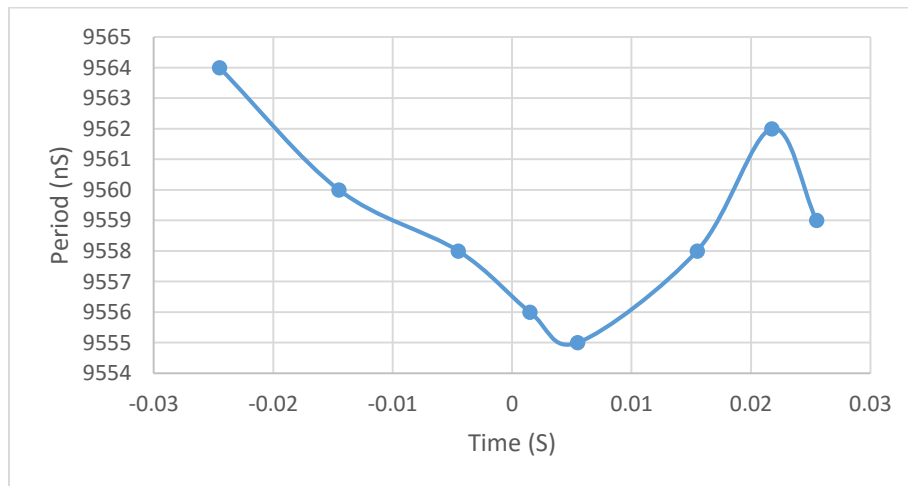


Figure 6-2 Sample Stream Graph

7 PARAMETERS

The serial interface operates with the following parameters:

<i>Baud Rate:</i>	<i>57600</i>
<i>Data Bits:</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Parity:</i>	<i>none</i>
<i>Stop Bits:</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Flow Control:</i>	<i>none</i>

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