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Introduction

This document provides the information needed to control a Nortek Paradopp product (Aquadopp, Vector, etc.) with a non-PC controller. It is aimed at system integrators and engineers with interfacing experience. Code examples are provided in C. The document's scope is limited to interfacing and does not address general performance issues of the instruments. For a more thorough understanding of the principle of operation, we recommend the user guide that accompanies the individual instruments.

The document is complete in the sense that it describes all available commands and modes of communication. For most users, it will make sense to let the supplied Nortek software do most of the hardware configuration and then let the controller limit its task to starting/stopping data collection. For more in-depth information about specific commands, we urge you to contact Nortek to discuss how your particular problem is best solved. For those who wish to who write their own Windows applications to control one or more Paradopp products an ActiveX® object is available. This greatly simplifies interfacing and the handling of the internal data structures.

Note that the Paradopp products use a binary data format for communication. This makes it hard to "see" what is going on with a terminal emulator. However, the binary interface saves programming time because parsing the text files won't be needed. It may take more time initially to put the basic communication in place, but once done the remainder of the work should be straightforward. The use of checksums and CRC helps to make the binary data interface more robust.

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ActiveX®

The ActiveX®/DLL software interface provides functions to configure the instrument, control the data acquisition process and retrieve data from the recorder. In a DLL implementation C/C++ API calls are made to the Paradopp DLL. A Paradopp OCX implementation requires that the software development environment supports the OCX interface. Visual Basic, Visual C++ and Delphi, are a few environments that support the OCX interface.

The ActiveX® control interface is described in the ActiveX Module for System Integrators, available separately from Nortek.

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Basic Interface Concepts

The Paradopp family of products communicates with a default protocol of 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit. The baud rate is user selectable and can be configured either with the supplied Windows programs or by using direct commands to the system after the direct communication has been initiated (see the chapter on Remote Control Terminal Commands).

The only lines used are RxD, TxD, and GND. Status and handshaking lines are not used.

The Break Command

A break command is used to change between the various operational modes of the instrument and to interrupt the instrument regardless of which mode it is in. It is used frequently when communicating with the instrument. Consequently, any system designed to control a Paradopp system must be able to send a break.

The operational modes for any Paradopp system are:

- Command mode. The system is waiting for an instruction over the serial line. After 5 minutes of inactivity, the system will power down.
- Power down mode. This state is used to conserve power. A break must be sent to cause the instrument to wake up.
- Measurement mode. The system cycles through a series of states when collecting data. To exit collection mode, a break and confirmation string must be sent.

Determining Which Type of Break to Use

There are two types of break commands in Nortek instruments, a soft break and a hard break.

Traditionally, sending a break used to be done by holding the transmit line high on the serial line for period of 500 ms. This is referred to as hard break. If you have direct connection between the controlling device and the instrument this will work fine. However, if other devices are inserted in the communication path, problems may arise. Certain GSM modems, for example, handle breaks in their own way. Typically, they have no problems in accepting a 500 ms break on the input, but they only output a 100 ms break. This may not be recognised as a break by the instrument.

To get around this problem we introduced the soft break, which consists entirely of characters. It can be used without problems with any device capable of RS 232 or RS 422 communication.

Tip: When you send a break to the instrument, it will respond as follows (using Aquadopp Profiler as an example):

AQUAPRO
NORTEK 2003
Version 1.23
Command mode

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It may happen that a break is sent to the instrument at exactly the same time as the instrument receives an interrupt from its Real Time Clock (RTC). In such cases the RTC is always given priority.

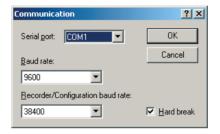
This implies that if you receive no acknowledgement of the break you sent, you will need to send another.

Hence, your controller should be set up to verify that the break was actually received by the instrument before you proceed. Which break command to use for a particular instrument depends on the production date of the instrument, and most instruments manufactured after 2001 use soft break.

The easiest way to find out which type of break command to use is to run the Nortek software shipped with the instrument.

To check which type of break command to use:

- 1. Run the deployment setup software shipped with the instrument and initiate an auto detect by clicking Deployment > Planning > Load from instrument.
- Click Communication > Serial Port to produce a dialogue box like the one shown below.



When the Hard break box is checked a hard break is to be used. If unchecked a soft break is to be used.

Issuing a Soft Break command

To send a soft break you first send "@@@@@@" followed by a delay of 100 ms and then send "K1W%!Q". When the instrument is in sleep mode activity on the serial line can be treated as a break. The first @ character ensures that the instrument detects serial activity for all baud rates up to 115200. Any character may be recognised as serial activity, especially at lower baud rates.

Checksum Control

Most data structures contain a 16-bit checksum. An example program is given in the chapter on Data Structures to help explain how the checksum can be implemented.

Two-character ASCII Commands

The command interface uses two character commands where the two characters are treated as a single 16-bit word. The time delay between the two characters in a command must be less than 0.5 second, otherwise both characters will be discarded by the Paradopp. Data is transferred as words and the convention is Intel style, which means that low byte is sent before high byte. The data types are given in the section describing the various commands. More about this can be found in the Terminal Commands chapter.

Hexadecimal values are prefixed by 0x

Example: 0x4a2b

Acknowledgement

After a successful command is sent, the system returns an acknowledgement. The actual value for acknowledge (AckAck) is 0×0606 . Whenever the system firmware receives a command/word that is invalid, it immediately returns a negative acknowledge (NackNack). The value is 0×1515 .

Use with a Controller

This chapter provides useful information when setting up your Nortek instrument with a controller. However, we recommend that you read through the user guide that came with your Nortek instrument before you embark on your controller project.

Always use the accompanying Nortek software to set up the instrument for deployment.

Basically, a controller will act in one of the two following ways:

- As a simple storage unit for the data acquired.
- As a device controlling the Nortek instrument's behaviour, with or without data transfer to the controller.

All Nortek instruments come with deployment software running on the Windows® platform. We strongly recommend that you use this software to set up the instrument properly.

The data output to the controller is in binary format for all instruments. However, the Aquadopp Profiler, the Aquadopp Current Meter and the Continental can output data in ASCII format – see the chapter on ASCII Output for more information.

All Nortek instruments are supplied with RS 232 interface unless specified otherwise. For long distance transmission (more than 50–100 m) we recommend the use of RS 422, which is available as an option for all Paradopp instruments.

Simple Storage Device

If you decide to use your controller as a simple storage device you will have to make up your mind whether or not to use the internal recorder in addition to the controller. More about the internal recorder feature can be found in the user guide for the Nortek instrument.

Data output from the Nortek instrument will be properly time stamped as long as the instrument remains powered, so you won't have to implement time stamping in the controller to keep track of the data acquisition.

See the chapter on Data Structures for more information on how to interpret the data received from the instrument.

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Control the Instrument directly

If you decide to use your controller to control the Nortek instrument, you have two options:

- The controller starts and stops the measurements by turning the power to the Nortek instrument off when not measuring. This allows for a longer deployment. However, this may require that the controller to time-stamp the data, since Nortek instruments may loose their time information when the power is removed for more than 5 minutes. For more information regarding power consumption read the power consumption paragraph below.
- The controller starts and stops the measurements using a combination of a two character ASCII command and a break command.

You may want to store data read from the instrument in the controller. Some applications may also require that you download deployment setups from the instrument at regular intervals and store these in the controller.

For commands to be received and executed, the instrument must be in Command mode. If the instrument is in Power down mode a break must be sent to wake it up. If, on the other hand, the instrument is in Data collection mode (i.e. measuring) a break followed by a confirmation string must be sent. The confirmation string will be the MC command, which must be sent within 10 seconds after the break. Otherwise, the instrument will resume data measurement. In some newer versions of the firmware the confirmation string - MC command - must be sent within 60 seconds or the instrument will resume data measurement.

If you choose to download deployment setups from the controller during deployment, you may want to send a GA command every time you download a new setup to store all configuration data together with the corresponding measurement

Deployment setups should always be generated by means of the software accompanying your Nortek instrument.

When using this technique of removing and applying power, the recorder will operate in Append mode. If started with the SR command (Start with Recorder), so that all the data will be recorded to the same file. This opens up for easy verification of the controller since what has been logged to the internal recorder is identical to what has been sent to the

controller.

Turning the Power On/Off

In this case, the system will automatically start measuring and outputting data when power is applied. To use this method effectively, you must:

- Make sure the appropriate system configuration has been downloaded to the instrument, either from a PC or from the controller.
- Start data collection from the PC or the controller before disconnecting. Once the power is shut down, the instrument will remember that it is in data collection mode and continue to collect data once the power is re-applied.

Power consumption

On older instruments or those with firmware versions prior to V3.0 the internal clock may lose the correct time if the power is disconnected for more than 5 minutes. Instruments with later versions of the firmware will maintain the correct time for several weeks. Newer versions of the instruments use so little power that you will need to disconnect the power for some time or configure the instrument for continuous operation. If not the power loss might not be detected by the instrument.

Over the Serial Line

In this case, the data collection is controlled over the serial line. To start data collection the two-character ASCII command AD (AquireData) is sent. The instrument automatically enters power down when the measurement is finished. To wake the system up or interrupt the measurement – a break must be sent. Using the AD command the instrument will jump directly to command mode upon receiving a break.

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To start a measurement from Command mode, send the command ST. The system will send an acknowledge (AckAck) to show that the measurement is started. More about this can be found in the Terminal Commands chapter.

A typical sequence proceeds as follows:

- Send a break command to gain control of the system and put it in Command mode.
 If the system is busy collecting data (i.e. measuring), a verification is required,
 otherwise the instrument will not stop measuring. Send the characters MC within 60 seconds.
- To start a measurement from Command mode send the command ST. (SR if you want to also store data in the instrument's recorder see the list of commands in Terminal Commands chapter.
- To stop data collection, send a break and the verification characters.
- To conserve power between measurement intervals, send the command PD.

A typical Aquadopp session might look like this:

| Aquadopp sends | Controller sends | Comments |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|
| | <break></break> | Aquadopp in power down |
| Aquadopp Nortek AS 2003 Version 1.23 Command mode AckAck | | In command mode |
| | AD | |
| AckAck | | Measuring |
|) (*&) (*&) (& | | Outputs binary data |
| &!%#&)*J ASH(#& | | |
| | | Aquadopp is powered down |

Always use the software accompanying your Nortek instrument to generate deployment files. The Nortek software must be set in a special mode to generate binary format deployment files – see CC command for details.

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Remote Control Commands

A few terms:

RTC: Real Time Clock

MSW: Most Significant Word, bits 31–16 in a 32 bits data field LSW: Least Significant Word, bits 15–0 in a 32 bits data field SW: The software program in the computer or controller

FW: The software program in the instrument

0x: Indicates hex code

Low byte before high byte. When designing computers, there are two different architectures for handling memory storage. They are often called Big Endian and Little Endian and refer to the order in which the bytes are stored in memory. The Windows series of operating systems has been designed around Little Endian architecture and is not compatible with Big Endian.

These two phrases are derived from "Big End In" and "Little End In." They refer to the way in which memory is stored. On an Intel computer, the little end is stored first. This means a Hex word like 0x1234 is stored in memory as (0x34 0x12). The little end, or lower end, is stored first. The same is true for a four-byte value; for example, 0x12345678 would be stored as (0x78 0x56 0x34 0x12). For this reason we show the Hex values in reversed order in the below tables.

Example: The character 'R' corresponds to 0x52 and the character 'C' to 0x43. Shown in reversed order (to comply with the Little Endian principle) this will read 0x4352, which is what you will find listed in the table: Remote Control Commands in Command Mode

Read clock **Execute command** Description Reads the current date and time of the RTC in the **RC** instrument. Hex Response 4352 3 words clock data structure followed by AckAck Command parameter required None Response example 28 18 13 11 04 02 06 06 Reference Note Chapter on **Data Structures**

Transmission is Intel style, i.e. low byte must be sent to (and will also be received from) the instrument before the high byte.

Consequently, the Hex command code in the instruction tables is shown in reversed order to reflect a 16bit word point of view rather than a per byte point of view, see also text for details.

The time delay between the two characters in a command must be less than 0.5 second, otherwise both characters will be discarded by the Paradopp.

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| Set clock | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| SC | Sets the current date and time of the RTC in the instrument. |
| Hex | Response |
| 4353 | AckAck |
| | Parameter |
| | 3 word clock data structure |
| Reference | Note |
| Chapter on Data Structures | The setting of the clock is synchronized to the transition of seconds i.e. the FW waits until a second transition has occurred and then sets the clock. |

| Inquiry | |
|----------------------|---|
| Execute command Hex | Description Returns a word z telling which mode the instrument is in. |
| 4949 | 1 word z followed by AckAck |
| | Response interpretation |
| | z = 0x0000: Firmware upgrade mode z = 0x0001: Measurement mode z = 0x0002: Command mode z = 0x0004: Data retrieval mode z = 0x0005: Confirmation mode |
| | Response example |
| | 02 00 06 06 |
| | Indicating Command mode followed by AckAck |
| Reference | Note |
| | In measurement mode all commands are single character. This means that if you send a normal inquiry command, the instrument will return the result twice. The Inquiry command is the preferred command to use for automatic baud rate detection for the PC. |

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Set baud rate **Execute command** Description Sets the instrument baud rate. BR Response Hex **AckAck** 5242 Parameter to be sent Parameter structure z = 0x3030300 baud 600 baud z = 0x3131z = 0x32311200 baud z = 0x33332400 baud 4800 baud z = 0x34349600 baud z = 0x3535z = 0x363619200 baud z = 0x373738400 baud z = 0x383857600 baud z = 0x3939115200 baud z = 0x3031600000 baud 1200000 baud z = 0x3231Example 5242 3232 06 06 Command for setting baud rate to 1200 baud followed by the response AckAck Reference The baud rate is stored in the instrument only when the recorder is formatted, when a measurement is started, or an SB command is sent. This will ensure that the communication can be restored by waiting until the instrument powers down after 5 minutes of inactivity. The PC must make sure that the baud rate being used is sufficiently high to ensure that all data can be transferred over the serial line for the chosen data format and measurement interval. For example, at 300 baud it is only possible to transfer 30 bytes/s, so having a measurement interval of 1 second will not be possible. Using very low baud rates will inevitably have an impact on the power consumption because of the added time needed for data transfer on the serial line before the instrument can power down. For most applications, however, the difference will be negligible. Note that baud rates above 115200 will require hardware support in the instrument and in the PC in order to work

correctly.

| Save baud rate | |
|-----------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| SB | Saves the currently set baud rate. |
| Hex | Response |
| 4253 | AckAck |
| | Parameter |
| | 0x4733 0x3241 |
| Reference | ASCII counterpart: 3GA2. If you have set the baud with the BR command you must save it afterwards if you want the instrument to wake up with that baud rate after power down. The parameter is shown obeying the low-byte-before-high-byte principle, i.e. in the way it should be sent to the instrument. |

| Read complete configu | uration data | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Execute command | Description | | | | |
| GA Hex | Read the currently used hardware configuration, the head configuration, and the deployment configuration from the | | | | |
| | instrument | | | | |
| 4147 | Response | | | | |
| | Complete setup information (48+224+512 bytes) followed by AckAck | | | | |
| | Parameter | | | | |
| | None | | | | |
| | Response example | | | | |
| | a5 05 18 00 41 51 44 20 31 32 31 35 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 02 00 d0 07 0d 00 3c 00 90 00 01 00 ff | | | | |
| | cd ff 8b 00 e5 00 ee 00 0b 00 84 ff 3d ff 4c 52 06 06 | | | | |
| Reference | Note | | | | |
| Chapter on Data Structures | Some lines in the above example have been removed for clarity. | | | | |

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| Read deployment configuration data | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Execute command | Description | |
| GC | Read the currently used deployment configuration from the | |
| Hex | instrument. | |
| 4347 | Response | |
| | Deployment setup (512 bytes) followed by AckAck | |
| | Parameter | |
| | None | |
| | Response example | |
| | a5 00 00 01 5c 00 22 00 18 00 b6 02 00 02 0f 00 01 00 03 00 02 00 60 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 01 00 14 00 14 17 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 50 01 06 10 04 02 06 00 00 00 20 00 11 41 01 00 01 00 0f 00 0f 00 00 00 00 a8 2f 5e 01 ca 3c e6 3c | |
| | cd ff 8b 00 e5 00 ee 00 0b 00 84 ff 3d ff 4c 52 06 06 | |
| Reference | Note | |
| Chapter on Data Structures | Some lines in the above example have been removed for clarity. | |

| Read hardware configuration data | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Execute command | Description | |
| GP | Read the currently used hardware configuration from the | |
| Hex | instrument. | |
| 5047 | Response | |
| | Hardware setup information (48 bytes) followed by AckAck | |
| | Parameter | |
| | None | |
| | Response example | |
| | a5 05 18 00 41 51 44 20 31 32 31 35 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 00 02 02 00 d0 07 0d 00 3c 00 90 00 01 00 ff ff | |
| | ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff 31 2e 31 31 98 5c | |
| | 06 06 | |
| Reference | Note | |
| Chapter on Data Structures | | |

| Read head configuration data | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Execute command | Description | |
| GH | Read the currently used head configuration from the instrument | |
| Hex 4847 | Response Head configuration (224 bytes) followed by AckAck | |
| | Parameter None | |
| | Response example | |
| | 15 15 a5 04 70 00 0d 00 d0 07 00 00 41 51 50 20 30 38 35 32 20 20 20 00 19 00 19 00 19 00 00 00 . | |
| | 38 0e 10 0e 10 0e 10 27 64 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | |
| Reference Chapter on Data Structures | Note Some lines in the above example have been removed for clarity. | |

| Format recorder | |
|-----------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| FO Hex | The format recorder command formats the recorder's memory. This affects the data acquired only. Configuration files – including the deployment setup – are not affected. |
| 4f46 | Response AckAck |
| | Parameter to be sent |
| | 0xd412 0xef1e |
| Reference | Note This parameter has no ASCII counterpart. The parameter is shown obeying the low-byte-before-high-byte principle, i.e. in the way it should be sent to the instrument. |

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| Configure instrument | |
|--|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| cc | Use this command to download a new deployment file to the |
| Hex | instrument. |
| 4343 | Response |
| | AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | The setup file to be downloaded |
| Reference | Note |
| User guide for your Nortek instrument | The command must be followed by a deployment setup file – how to generate this, see below. |

Deployment File in Binary Format

Always use the Nortek software accompanying your Nortek instrument when making deployment files. This will save you from a lot of unneeded efforts! When you have generated the file, you may save it. However, this will not generate a file in binary format suitable for direct download to your controller.

To generate deployment files in binary format:

- 1. Generate a new short-cut to the Nortek software.
- 2. Append the characters -cu in the target line as shown below (using Aquadopp as example).



- 3. Start the Nortek software using the new short-cut.
- 4. When you now save the deployment file, this will generate two files the regular file and a file in binary format with the file extension .pcf. This file is the one to download with your controller.

| Power down | |
|-----------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| PD | The Power down command puts the instrument in sleep mode (switches off the power) |
| Hex | mode (switches on the power) |
| 4450 | Response |
| | AckAck |
| | Parameter |
| | None |

| Read File Allocation Table (FAT) | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| RF | Reads the FAT in the instrument. |
| Hex | Response |
| 4652 | FAT followed by AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | None |
| Reference | Note |
| Chapter on Data Structures | The FAT is a 16 byte \times 32 lines matrix containing information about names and start & stop addresses of the measurement files. Up to 31 different measurement files can be stored in the instrument's recorder (the last line in the matrix is spare and not used). |

| Read file configuration | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| FC | Returns the hardware, head and deployment setup for a particular measurement file. |
| Hex | Response |
| 4346 | Complete setup information (48+224+512 bytes) for the selected file followed by AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | 0x001e using the file's location in the FAT as index |
| Reference | Note |
| GA command RF command | This command corresponds to the GA command, but for a specific file. |

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| Read recorder data file | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| RD | Returns the contents of part of the recorder |
| Hex | memory as defined by a start and a stop address. |
| 4452 | Response As many bytes of data as requested followed by AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | <start address=""><stop address=""></stop></start> |
| | Parameter example |
| | Assume you want to read in the contents from 0x00002a00 to 0x00003a00 . The following will be sent (hex values): 4452002a0000003a0000 |
| Reference | Note |
| RF command | You will normally pick the Start address and the Stop address from the FAT when programming your controller. However, you may also use this command to transfer part of the measurement file. |

| Read recorder data block with CRC | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| DC | As the RD command, but with CRC appended to the data |
| Hex | transferred. |
| 4652 | Response As many bytes of data as requested followed by the CRC and AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | As for RD |
| Reference | Note |
| RD command | As for RD |

| Battery voltage | |
|-----------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| BV | Read the battery voltage from the instrument. |
| Hex | Response |
| 5642 | 4 bytes followed by AckAck |
| | Parameter sent out |
| | None |
| | Response example |
| | a7 1f 06 06 |
| Reference | Note |
| | Bearing in mind the low-byte-before-high-byte principle, the response should be interpreted as 0x1fa7 which corresponds to decimal 8103 , which in turn is the voltage directly in mV. |

| Transparent compass | |
|---------------------|---|
| TC Hex 4354 | Description The transparent compass command powers up the compass and makes a transparent channel from the compass to the PC. Response |
| | AckAck Parameter |
| | None |
| Reference | This command enables the PC to read the data strings output from the compass and to send commands to the compass. Observe that this command sets the baud rate of the instrument to 38400. However, the baud rate is set back to the current instrument baud rate once a break is sent to the instrument from the controller. You can use this command to tell the controller to verify that the compass is outputting the correct data. It can also be used to set up the compass to match the required setup for the instrument. Caution! The FW command will never attempt to change the setup of the compass, so if the controller sends commands to the compass, these must set up the compass correctly before you send a break to end the transparent compass session! |

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| Get identification string | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| ID Hex | Read the identification string from the instrument. |
| 4449 | Response 14 bytes ASCII string followed by AckAck |
| | Parameter None |
| | Response example 41 51 44 20 31 32 31 35 20 20 20 20 20 06 06 Corresponding to AQD1215 |

| Start measurement without recorder | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| ST | Immediately starts a measurement based on the current configuration of the instrument without storing data to the |
| Hex | recorder. Data is output on the serial port. |
| 5453 | |
| | Response |
| | AckAck or NackNack |
| | Parameter |
| | None |
| Reference | Note |
| | If the measurement was successfully started, AckAck is returned. If the measurement could not be started NackNack is returned. The reason for failing to start is usually that the instrument configuration is invalid. |

| Start measurement with recorder, at a specific time | |
|---|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| SD | Starts a measurement at a specified time based on the |
| Hex | current configuration of the instrument. Data is stored to a new file in the recorder. Data is output on the serial port only |
| 4453 | if specified in the configuration. |
| | Response |
| | AckAck or NackNack |
| | Parameter |
| | None |
| Reference | Note |
| | If the measurement was successfully started, AckAck is returned. If the measurement could not be started NackNack is returned. The reason for failing to start is usually that the instrument configuration is invalid or that the recorder is full. |

| Acquire data | |
|-------------------|---|
| Execute command | Description |
| AD Hex 4441 | Starts a single measurement based on the current configuration of the instrument without storing data to the recorder. Instrument enters Power Down Mode when measurement has been made. Response AckAck or NackNack |
| | Parameter None |
| Reference | If the measurement was successfully started, AckAck is returned. If the measurement could not be started NackNack is returned. The reason for failing to start is usually that the instrument configuration is invalid. If the instrument is configured for continuous measurement it will keep taking data until a break is received. Upon receipt of a break it will jump directly into Command Mode. |

| Start measurement with recorder | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Execute command | Description |
| SR | Immediately starts a measurement based on the current configuration of the instrument. Data is stored to a new file |
| Hex | in the recorder and also output on the serial port |
| 5253 | Response AckAck or NackNack |
| | Parameter |
| | None |
| Reference | If the measurement was successfully started, AckAck is returned. If the measurement could not be started NackNack is returned. The reason for failing to start is usually that the instrument configuration is invalid or that the recorder is full. If the filename is not set in the configuration the filename will default to DEF. |

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Remote Control Commands

Confirmation Commands

| Enter Command mode | | | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Execute command | Description | | |
| MC Hex 434d | Preceded by a break command, this command is sent to force the instrument to exit Measurement mode and enter Command mode. | | |
| | Response AckAck | | |
| | Parameter None | | |
| Reference | Note The MC command must be sent within 10 seconds after the break was sent. Otherwise the measurement will continue. Within 2 seconds after AckAck is sent, the instrument will enter Command mode | | |

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Firmware Data Structures

This section describes the data structures that are used for the Paradopp products. They are grouped in generic data structures that are common to all instruments and instrument specific structures.

The following firmware data structures are described:

- Generic Structures
- Aquadopp-specifc Structures
- Vector-specific Structures
- Aquadopp Profiler-specific Structures
- AWAC-specific Structures
- Continental

BCD format. The BCD format is a a way of representing decimal figures in a binary manner. Four bits are used per digit.

Example (using clock data): 10 00 05 11 04 02 (all values shown in hex)

corresponds to: **5 February 2004 11:10:00.**

Generic structures

Clock Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|------|----------------|--------|---------------------|
| 1 | Minute | 0 | minute (BCD format) |
| 1 | Second | 1 | second (BCD format) |
| 1 | Day | 2 | day (BCD format) |
| 1 | Hour | 3 | hour (BCD format) |
| 1 | Year | 4 | year (BCD format) |
| 1 | Month | 5 | month (BCD format) |
| Tot | al Size 6 Byte | es | |

Hardware Configuration

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|------|------------|--------|---|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 05 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 14 | SerialNo | 4 | instrument type and serial number |
| 2 | Config | 18 | board configuration: bit 0: Recorder installed (0=no, 1=yes) bit 1: Compass installed (0=no, 1=yes) |
| 2 | Frequency | 20 | board frequency [kHz] |
| 2 | PICversion | 22 | PIC code version number |
| 2 | HWrevision | 24 | Hardware revision |
| 2 | RecSize | 26 | Recorder size (*65536 bytes) |
| 2 | Status | 28 | status: bit 0: Velocity range (0=normal, 1=high) |

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| 12 | Spare | 30 | spare |
|---------------------|-----------|----|---|
| 4 | FWversion | 42 | firmware version |
| 2 | Checksum | 46 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total Size 48 Bytes | | | |

Head Configuration

| | 9 | | | |
|-------|-------------|--------|---|--|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description | |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) | |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 04 (hex) | |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) | |
| 2 | Config | 4 | head configuration: bit 0: Pressure sensor (0=no, 1=yes) bit 1: Magnetometer sensor (0=no, 1=yes) bit 2: Tilt sensor (0=no, 1=yes) bit 3: Tilt sensor mounting (0=up, 1=down) | |
| 2 | Frequency | 6 | head frequency (kHz) | |
| 2 | Туре | 8 | head type | |
| 12 | SerialNo | 10 | head serial number | |
| 176 | System | 22 | system data | |
| 22 | Spare | 198 | spare | |
| 2 | NBeams | 220 | number of beams | |
| 2 | Checksum | 222 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure | |
| Total | Size 224 By | rtes | | |

User Configuration

| U 301 | ci Goilligaration | | | | |
|--------------|-------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description | | |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) | | |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 00 (hex) | | |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) | | |
| 2 | T1 | 4 | transmit pulse length (counts) | | |
| 2 | T2 | 6 | blanking distance (counts) | | |
| 2 | T3 | 8 | receive length (counts) | | |
| 2 | T4 | 10 | time between pings (counts) | | |
| 2 | T5 | 12 | time between burst sequences (counts) | | |
| 2 | NPings | 14 | number of beam sequences per burst | | |
| 2 | AvgInterval | 16 | average interval in seconds | | |
| 2 | NBeams | 18 | number of beams | | |
| 2 | TimCtrlReg | 20 | timing controller mode bit 1: profile (0=single, 1=continuous) bit 2: mode (0=burst, 1=continuous) bit 5: power level (0=1, 1=2, 0=3, 1=4) bit 6: power level (0 0 1 1) bit 7: synchout position (0=middle of sample, 1=end of sample (Vector)) bit 8: sample on synch (0=disabled,1=enabled, rising edge) bit 9: start on synch (0=disabled,1=enabled, rising edge) | | |
| 2 | PwrCtrlReg | 22 | power control register bit 5: power level (0=1, 1 =2, 0=3, 1=4) bit 6: power level (0 0 1 1) | | |
| 2 | A1 | 24 | not used | | |
| 2 | B0 | 26 | not used | | |
| | | | | | |

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| 0 | D4 | 00 | | |
|-----|----------------|-----|--|--|
| 2 | B1 | 28 | not used | |
| 2 | CompassUpdRate | 30 | compass update rate | |
| 2 | CoordSystem | 32 | coordinate system (0=ENU, 1=XYZ, 2=BEAM) | |
| 2 | NBins | 34 | number of cells | |
| 2 | BinLength | 36 | cell size | |
| 2 | MeasInterval | 38 | measurement interval | |
| 6 | DeployName | 40 | recorder deployment name | |
| 2 | WrapMode | 46 | recorder wrap mode (0=NO WRAP, 1=WRAP WHEN FULL) | |
| 6 | clockDeploy | 48 | deployment start time | |
| 4 | DiagInterval | 54 | number of seconds between diagnostics measurements | |
| 2 | Mode | 58 | mode: bit 0: use user specified sound speed (0=no, 1=yes) bit 1: diagnostics/wave mode 0=disable, 1=enable) bit 2: analog output mode (0=disable, 1=enable) bit 3: output format (0=Vector, 1=ADV) bit 4: scaling (0=1 mm, 1=0.1 mm) bit 5: serial output (0=disable, 1=enable) bit 6: reserved EasyQ bit 7: stage (0=disable, 1=enable) bit 8: output power for analog input (0=disable, 1=enable) | |
| 2 | AdjSoundSpeed | 60 | user input sound speed adjustment factor | |
| 2 | NSampDiag | 62 | # samples (AI if EasyQ) in diagnostics mode | |
| 2 | NBeamsCellDiag | 64 | # beams / cell number to measure in diagnostics mode | |
| 2 | NPingsDiag | 66 | # pings in diagnostics/wave mode | |
| 2 | ModeTest | 68 | mode test: bit 0: correct using DSP filter (0=no filter, 1=filter) bit 1: filter data output (0=total corrected velocity,1=only correction part) | |
| 2 | AnalnAddr | 70 | analog input address | |
| 2 | SWVersion | 72 | software version | |
| 2 | Spare | 74 | spare | |
| 180 | VelAdjTable | 76 | velocity adjustment table | |
| 180 | Comments | 256 | file comments | |
| 2 | Mode | 436 | wave measurement mode bit 0: data rate (0=1 Hz, 1=2 Hz) bit 1: wave cell position (0=fixed, 1=dynamic) bit 2: type of dynamic position (0=pct of mean pressure, 1=pct of min re) | |
| 2 | DynPercPos | 438 | percentage for wave cell positioning (=32767×#%/100) (# means number of) | |
| 2 | T1 | 440 | wave transmit pulse | |
| 2 | T2 | 442 | fixed wave blanking distance (counts) | |
| 2 | T3 | 444 | wave measurement cell size | |
| 2 | NSamp | 446 | number of diagnostics/wave samples | |
| 2 | A1 | 448 | not used | |
| 2 | B0 | 450 | not used | |
| 2 | B1 | 452 | not used | |
| 2 | Spare | 454 | spare | |
| 2 | AnaOutScale | 456 | analog output scale factor (16384=1.0, max=4.0) | |
| 2 | CorrThresh | 458 | correlation threshold for resolving ambiguities | |
| 2 | Spare | 460 | spare | |
| 2 | TiLag2 | 462 | transmit pulse length (counts) second lag | |
| 30 | Spare | 464 | spare | |
| 16 | QualConst | 494 | stage match filter constants (EZQ) | |

2 Checksum

510

=b58c(hex)+sum of all bytes in structure

Total Size 512 Bytes

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Aquadopp specific structures

Aquadopp Velocity Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|---------|-------------------|--------|--|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 01 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) |
| 2 | Error | 10 | error code |
| 2 | Analn1 | 12 | analog input 1 |
| 2 | Battery | 14 | battery voltage (0.1 V) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed/Analn2 | 16 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) or analog input 2 |
| 2 | Heading | 18 | compass heading (0.1°) |
| 2 | Pitch | 20 | compass pitch (0.1°) |
| 2 | Roll | 22 | compass roll (0.1°) |
| 1 | PressureMSB | 24 | pressure MSB (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 1 | Status | 25 | status code |
| 2 | PressureLSW | 26 | pressure LSW (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 2 | Temperature | 28 | temperature (0.01 °C) |
| 2 | Vel B1/X/E | 30 | velocity beam1 or X or East coordinates (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel B2/Y/N | 32 | velocity beam2 or Y or North coordinates (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel B3/Z/U | 34 | velocity beam3 or Z or Up coordinates (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp B1 | 36 | amplitude beam1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp B2 | 37 | amplitude beam2 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp B3 | 38 | amplitude beam3 (counts) |
| 1 | Fill | 39 | fill byte |
| 2 | Checksum | 40 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total S | Size 42 Bytes | | |
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Aquadopp Diagnostics Data Header

| 01 | | 055 4 | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|---|--|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description | |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) | |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 06 (hex) | |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) | |
| 2 | Records | 4 | number of diagnostics samples to follow | |
| 2 | Cell | 6 | cell number of stored diagnostics data | |
| 1 | Noise1 | 8 | noise amplitude beam 1 (counts) | |
| 1 | Noise2 | 9 | noise amplitude beam 2 (counts) | |
| 1 | Noise3 | 10 | noise amplitude beam 3 (counts) | |
| 1 | Noise4 | 11 | noise amplitude beam 4 (counts) | |
| 2 | ProcMagn1 | 12 | processing magnitude beam 1 | |
| 2 | ProcMagn2 | 14 | processing magnitude beam 2 | |
| 2 | ProcMagn3 | 16 | processing magnitude beam 3 | |
| 2 | ProcMagn4 | 18 | processing magnitude beam 4 | |
| 2 | Distance1 | 20 | distance beam 1 | |
| 2 | Distance2 | 22 | distance beam 2 | |
| 2 | Distance3 | 24 | distance beam 3 | |
| 2 | Distance | 26 | distance beam 4 | |
| 6 | Spare | 28 | spare | |
| 2 | Checksum | 34 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure | |
| Total Size 36 Bytes | | | | |

Aquadopp Diagnostics Data

Same as Aquadopp Velocity Data, except Id = 0x80.

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Vector specific structures Vector Velocity Data Header

| VCCto | i velocity but | a ricadei | |
|---------|----------------|-----------|---|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 12 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) |
| 2 | NRecords | 10 | number of velocity samples to follow |
| 1 | Noise1 | 12 | noise amplitude beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise2 | 13 | noise amplitude beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise3 | 14 | noise amplitude beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise4 | 15 | noise amplitude beam 4 (counts) |
| 1 | Correlation | 16 | noise correlation beam 1 |
| 1 | Correlation | 17 | noise correlation beam 2 |
| 1 | Correlation | 18 | noise correlation beam 3 |
| 1 | Correlation | 19 | noise correlation beam 4 |
| 20 | Spare | 20 | spare |
| 2 | Checksum | 40 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total S | Size 42 Bytes | | |
| | • | | |

Vector Velocity Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|---------|--------------|--------|--|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 10 (hex) |
| 1 | Analn2LSB | 2 | analog input 2 LSB |
| 1 | Count | 3 | ensemble counter |
| 1 | PressureMSB | 4 | pressure MSB (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 1 | Analn2MSB | 5 | analog input 2 MSB |
| 2 | PressureLSW | 6 | pressure LSW (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 2 | Analn1 | 8 | analog input 1 |
| 2 | Vel B1/X/E | 10 | velocity beam1 or X or East (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel B2/Y/N | 12 | velocity beam2 or Y or North (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel B3/Z/U | 14 | velocity beam3 or Z or Up (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp B1 | 16 | amplitude beam1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp B2 | 17 | amplitude beam2 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp B3 | 18 | amplitude beam3 (counts) |
| 1 | Corr B1 | 19 | correlation beam1 (%) |
| 1 | Corr B2 | 20 | correlation beam2 (%) |
| 1 | Corr B3 | 21 | correlation beam3 (%) |
| 2 | Checksum | 22 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total S | ize 24 Bytes | | |

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Vector System Data

| | r System Data | | | |
|---------|---------------------|--------|--|--|
| Size | Name | Offset | Description | |
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) | |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 11 (hex) | |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) | |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) | |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) | |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) | |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) | |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) | |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) | |
| 2 | Battery | 10 | battery voltage (0.1 V) | |
| 2 | SoundSpeed | 12 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) | |
| 2 | Heading | 14 | compass heading (0.1 deg) | |
| 2 | Pitch | 16 | compass pitch (0.1 deg) | |
| 2 | Roll | 18 | compass roll (0.1 deg) | |
| 2 | Temperature | 20 | temperature (0.01 deg C) | |
| 1 | Error | 22 | error code | |
| 1 | Status | 23 | Status is a binary code showing some of the status parameters of the instrument: Bit 7 & 6 - Power level 00 = High 10 = Low Bit 5 & 4 - Wakeup state - 00 = bad power 01 = power applied 10 = break 11 = RTC alarm Bit 3 -Roll 0 = OK 1 = Out of range Bit 2 - Pitch 0 = OK 1 = Out of range Bit 1 - Scaling - See section on Scaling at the end of this chapter. 0 = mm/s 1 = 0.1mm/s Bit 0 - Orientation 0 = Up 1 = down | |
| 2 | Analn | 24 | analog input | |
| 2 | Checksum | 26 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure | |
| Total S | Total Size 28 Bytes | | | |

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Aquadopp Profiler specific structures

Aquadopp Profiler Velocity Data

| ze | Name | Offset | Description |
|----|-------------------|--------|--|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 21 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) |
| 2 | Error | 10 | error code |
| 2 | AnaIn1 | 12 | analog input 1 |
| 2 | Battery | 14 | battery voltage (0.1 V) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed/Analn2 | 16 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) or analog input 2 |
| 2 | Heading | 18 | compass heading (0.1°) |
| 2 | Pitch | 20 | compass pitch (0.1°) |
| 2 | Roll | 22 | compass roll (0.1°) |
| 1 | PressureMSB | 24 | pressure MSB (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 1 | Status | 25 | status code |
| 2 | PressureLSW | 26 | pressure LSW (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 2 | Temperature | 28 | temperature (0.01 °C) |
| 2 | Vel 1 B1/X/E | 30 | velocity cell 1, beam1 or X or East (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | 32 | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B2/Y/N | | velocity cell 1, beam2 or Y or North (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B3/Z/U | | velocity cell 1, beam3 or Z or Up (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B1 | | amplitude cell 1, beam1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B2 | | amplitude cell 1, beam2 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B3 | | amplitude cell 1, beam3 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Fill | | fill byte if number of cells mod 2 is not equal to 0 |
| | | | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |

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HR Aquadopp HR specific structures

High Resolution Aquadopp Profile Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|------|----------------------|--------|--|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 2a (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | Size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | Minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | Second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | Day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | Hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | Year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | Month (BCD) |
| 2 | Milliseconds | 10 | Milliseconds |
| 2 | Error | 12 | Error code |
| 2 | Battery | 14 | Battery voltage (0.1 V) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed/Analn2 | 16 | Speed of sound (0.1 m/s) or analog input 2 |
| 2 | Heading | 18 | Compass heading (0.1°) |
| 2 | Pitch | 20 | Compass pitch (0.1°) |
| 2 | Roll | 22 | Compass roll (0.1°) |
| 1 | PressureMSB | 24 | Pressure MSB (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 1 | Fill | 25 | Padding |
| 2 | PressureLSW | 26 | Pressure LSW (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 2 | Temperature | 28 | Temperature (0.01 °C) |
| 2 | Analn1 | 30 | Analogue Input 1 |
| 2 | Analn2 | 32 | Analogue Input 2 |
| 1 | Beams | 34 | Number of beams |
| 1 | Cells | 35 | Number of Cells |
| 6 | VelLag2[3] | 36 | Velocity Lag 2 - array of 3 1 per beam |
| 3 | AmpLag2[3] | 42 | Amplitude Lag 2 - array of 3 1 per beam |
| 3 | CorrLag2[3] | 45 | Correlation Lag 2 - array of 3 1 per beam |
| 2 | Spare1 | 47 | |
| 2 | Spare2 | 49 | |
| 2 | Spare3 | 51 | |
| | Vel[nBeams][nCells] | 53 | Note that this part of the structure varies in size depending upon the |
| | Amp[nBeams][nCells] | | number of beams and cells being used. |
| | Corr[nBeams][nCells] | | |
| 1 | Fill | | Fill byte if number of cells mod 2 is not equal to 0 |
| 2 | hChecksum | | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Tota | l Size is variable | | |
| | | | |

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AWAC specific structures

Awac Velocity Profile Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|------|-------------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 20 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) |
| 2 | Error | 10 | error code |
| 2 | Analn1 | 12 | analog input 1 |
| 2 | Battery | 14 | battery voltage (0.1 V) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed/Analn2 | 16 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) or analog input 2 |
| 2 | Heading | 18 | compass heading (0.1°) |
| 2 | Pitch | 20 | compass pitch (0.1°) |
| 2 | Roll | 22 | compass roll (0.1°) |
| 1 | PressureMSB | 24 | pressure MSB (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 1 | Status | 25 | status code |
| 2 | PressureLSW | 26 | pressure LSW (mm) (Pressure = 65536×PressureMSB + PressureLSW) |
| 2 | Temperature | 28 | temperature (0.01 °C) |
| 88 | Spare | 30 | spare |
| 2 | Vel 1 B1/X/E | 118 | velocity cell 1, beam1 or X or East (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | 120 | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B2/Y/N | | velocity cell 1, beam2 or Y or North (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B3/Z/U | | velocity cell 1, beam3 or Z or Up (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B1 | | amplitude cell 1, beam1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B2 | | amplitude cell 1, beam2 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B3 | | amplitude cell 1, beam3 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2···n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Fill | | fill byte if number of cells mod 2 is not equal to 0 |
| 2 | Checksum | | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| | Size is variable | | |

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Awac Wave Data Header

| 1 | | | Description |
|---------|------------------|----|---|
| | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 31 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 1 | Minute | 4 | minute (BCD) |
| 1 | Second | 5 | second (BCD) |
| 1 | Day | 6 | day (BCD) |
| 1 | Hour | 7 | hour (BCD) |
| 1 | Year | 8 | year (BCD) |
| 1 | Month | 9 | month (BCD) |
| 2 | NRecords | 10 | number of wave data records to follow |
| 2 | Blanking | 12 | blanking distance (counts) |
| 2 | Battery | 14 | battery voltage (0.1 V) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed | 16 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) |
| 2 | Heading | 18 | compass heading (0.1°) |
| 2 | Pitch | 20 | compass pitch (0.1°) |
| 2 | Roll | 22 | compass roll (0.1°) |
| 2 | MinPress | 24 | min pressure value of previous profile (mm) |
| 2 | hMaxPress | 26 | max pressure value of previous profile (mm) |
| 2 | Temperature | 28 | temperature (0.01 °C) |
| 2 | CellSize | 30 | cell size in counts of T3 |
| 1 | Noise1 | 32 | noise amplitude beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise2 | 33 | noise amplitude beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise3 | 34 | noise amplitude beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise4 | 35 | noise amplitude beam 4 (counts) |
| 2 | ProcMagn1 | 36 | processing magnitude beam 1 |
| 2 | ProcMagn2 | 38 | processing magnitude beam 2 |
| 2 | ProcMagn3 | 40 | processing magnitude beam 3 |
| 2 | ProcMagn4 | 42 | processing magnitude beam 4 |
| 14 | Spare | 44 | spare |
| 2 | Checksum | 58 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total S | Size is 60 Bytes | | |

Awac Stage Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|-------|------------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 42 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words |
| 2 | Blanking | 4 | blanking distance (mm) |
| 2 | Pitch | 6 | compass pitch (0.1 deg) |
| 2 | Roll | 8 | compass roll (0.1 deg) |
| 2 | Pressure | 10 | pressure (mm) |
| 2 | Stage | 12 | stage (mm) |
| 2 | Quality | 14 | quality (counts) |
| 2 | Soundspeed | 16 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) |
| 2 | StageP | 18 | stage using pressure window (mm) |
| 2 | QualityP | 20 | quality (counts) |
| 10 | Spare | 22 | spare |
| 1 | Amp 1 | 32 | amplitude cell 1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2n | 33 | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Checksum | | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total | Size is variable | | |

Awac Wave Data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|-----------|----------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 30 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 2 | Pressure | 4 | pressure (mm) |
| 2 | Distance | 6 | distance to vertical beam |
| 2 | Analn | 8 | analog input |
| 2 | Vel1 | 10 | velocity beam 1 (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel2 | 12 | velocity beam 2 (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel3 | 14 | velocity beam 3 (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel4 | 16 | velocity beam 4 (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp1 | 18 | amplitude beam 1 (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp2 | 19 | amplitude beam 2 (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp3 | 20 | amplitude beam 3 (mm/s) |
| 1 | Amp4 | 21 | amplitude beam 4 (mm/s) |
| 2 | Checksum | 22 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total Siz | ze is 24 Bytes | | |

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Continental Data

Same as AWAC Profiler Data, except ID = 0x24

Vectrino specific structures

Vectrino velocity data header

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|---------------|-------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 50 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 2 | Distance | 4 | distance (0.1 mm) |
| 2 | DistQuality | 6 | distance quality (-1536 to +1536) |
| 2 | Lag1 | 8 | lag1 used |
| 2 | Lag2 | 10 | lag2 used |
| 1 | Noise1 | 12 | noise amplitude beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise2 | 13 | noise amplitude beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise3 | 14 | noise amplitude beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | Noise4 | 15 | noise amplitude beam 4 (counts) |
| 1 | Correlation | 16 | noise correlation beam 1 (%) |
| 1 | Correlation | 17 | noise correlation beam 2 (%) |
| 1 | Correlation | 18 | noise correlation beam 3 (%) |
| 1 | Correlation | 19 | noise correlation beam 4 (%) |
| 2 | Temperature | 20 | temperature (0.01 deg C) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed | 22 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) |
| 1 | AmpZ0 | 24 | amplitude in sampling volume beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0 | 25 | amplitude in sampling volume beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0 | 26 | amplitude in sampling volume beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0 | 27 | amplitude in sampling volume beam 4 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpX1 | 28 | amplitude at boundary beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpX1 | 29 | amplitude at boundary beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpX1 | 30 | amplitude at boundary beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpX1 | 31 | amplitude at boundary beam 4 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag1 | 32 | Z0 plus lag1 used beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag1 | 33 | Z0 plus lag1 used beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag1 | 34 | Z0 plus lag1 used beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag1 | 35 | Z0 plus lag1 used beam 4 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag2 | 36 | Z0 plus lag2 used beam 1 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag2 | 37 | Z0 plus lag2 used beam 2 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag2 | 38 | Z0 plus lag2 used beam 3 (counts) |
| 1 | AmpZ0PLag2 | 39 | Z0 plus lag2 used beam 4 (counts) |
| 2 | Checksum | 40 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total Size is | 42 Bytes | | |

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Vectrino velocity data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|------|-----------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | ld | 1 | 51 (hex) |
| 1 | Status | 2 | [exvcccbb] status bits, where |
| | | | bb = #beams - 1 |
| | | | ccc = #cells - 1 |
| | | | v = velocity scaling (0 = mm/s, 1 = 0.1mm/s) |
| | | | x = not used |
| | | | e = error (0 = no error, 1 = error condition) |
| 1 | Count | 3 | ensemble counter (0 - 255) |
| 2 | Vel 1 B1/X | 4 | velocity cell 1, beam1 or X (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2n | 6 | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B2/Y | | velocity cell 1, beam2 or Y (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B3/Z | | velocity cell 1, beam3 or Z (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Vel 1 B4/Z2 | | velocity cell 1, beam4 or Z2 (mm/s) |
| 2 | Vel 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B1 | | amplitude cell 1, beam1 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B2 | | amplitude cell 1, beam2 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B3 | | amplitude cell 1, beam3 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Amp 1 B4 | | amplitude cell 1, beam4 (counts) |
| 1 | Amp 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Corr 1 B1 | | correlation cell 1, beam1 (%) |
| 1 | Corr 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Corr 1 B2 | | correlation cell 1, beam2 (%) |
| 1 | Corr 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Corr 1 B3 | | correlation cell 1, beam3 (%) |
| 1 | Corr 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 1 | Corr 1 B4 | | correlation cell 1, beam4 (%) |
| 1 | Corr 2n | | repeated for cells 2 through n |
| 2 | Checksum | | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| | ize is variable | | |

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Vectrino distance data

| Size | Name | Offset | Description |
|------------------------|-------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Sync | 0 | a5 (hex) |
| 1 | Id | 1 | 02 (hex) |
| 2 | Size | 2 | size of structure in number of words (1 word = 2 bytes) |
| 2 | Temperature | 4 | temperature (0.01 deg C) |
| 2 | SoundSpeed | 6 | speed of sound (0.1 m/s) |
| 2 | Distance | 8 | distance (0.1 mm) |
| 2 | DistQuality | 10 | distance quality (-1536 to +1536) |
| 2 | Spare | 12 | spare |
| 2 | Checksum | 14 | = b58c(hex) + sum of all bytes in structure |
| Total Size is 16 Bytes | | | |

Scaling

There is sometimes some confusion with regard velocity data and this can sometimes be attributed to a scaling factor being used on the velocity data. This applies to Vector, Vectrino and the newer HR Aquadopp.

The scaling changes by a factor of ten, velocity will be returned as m/s or 0.1ms. With a 16-bit value we get a range of +/- 32.767 m/s with scaling set to 0.1ms we get +-3.2767 m/s, this is generally enough for most applications. Using 1 m/s scaling can reduce the chances to see all the details of the measurement that the technology allows.

You can read what the scaling is set to but it cannot be explicitly set by the user. When the instrument is configured the expected velocity range is calculated, scaling will be set according to this range.

It is straightforward enough to modify the velocity data to take into account any scaling and provide data in the units that suite your needs.

Output Files

ASCII output is available for the Aquadopp single point current meter, the Aquadopp Profiler and for the Continental current profiler.

Aquadopp ASCII Output

The Aquadopp single point current meter can also output data in ASCII format. To use the ASCII output feature you must upgrade your Aquadopp firmware to version 1.13 or higher. You can download new firmware from the support pages of www.nortek-as.com.

The output format is based on the current output of the ASCII conversion with our software. All positions are the same, the only differences are that the error and status codes are output as decimal numbers (e.g. 17710 instead of 101100012), and the field de-limiter is always just a single space. The description of the format is found in the .hdr file that is generated when you convert an .aqd data file to ASCII – shown overleaf.

There are three ways to enable the ASCII output:

- The command AS (AsciiStart) is the ASCII equivalent to the regular ST command.
 It starts a measurement with the current configuration and outputs the data in ASCII format. To get back into command mode you must send the confirmation characters MC after sending a break.
- 2. The command MA (MeasureAscii) makes one measurement with the current configuration (unless when configured for continuous measurement see below) and outputs the data in ASCII format. There is a new binary equivalent to this command, AD (AquireData). If you want to control the data timing from a data logger you should use one of these commands. By using either the MA or the AD command, the instrument will automatically power down after the measurement is finished. Sending a break will cause the instrument to enter command mode directly, for example, if you want to stop a continuous measurement.
- 3. The command RA (RecorderAscii) is the ASCII equivalent to the regular SR command. It starts a measurement with the current configuration and outputs the data in ASCII format while at the same time storing the data to the internal recorder. To get back into command mode you must send the confirmation characters MC after sending a break.

The following should be observed:

- ASCII commands consist of a pair of ASCII characters, sent when the instrument is in Command mode. No other characters are required (i.e. checksum or end of line characters).
- Make sure you have configured the instrument correctly before using the ASCII output commands. To use the ASCII commands, you will first configure the instrument from the Aquadopp software by entering the required setup parameters and starting a measurement.
- Note that for the MA command to make only a single measurement, the current meter cannot be in Continuous mode. This means that it must have a measuring interval that is at least 4s longer than its averaging interval.

- When you stop the measurement to enter Command mode, the instrument will remember the last configuration, even when power is removed.
- Note to store data to the internal recorder when data is output in ASCII format you must use the RA command.

Binary Files

Data can also be stored in binary files. While they offer advantages over ASCII files in size they require more work to work with them. The structure of these files closely mirrors the data structures detailed in the previous chapter. By their nature these files will have a different format for different instruments but the following should be of some help.

Each binary file irrespective of the instrument being used will have the following structures in the following order.

Hardware Configuration48 BytesHead Configuration224 BytesUser Configuration512 Bytes

Data specific to the instrument will follow these three structures. If you are unsure about what data you have it is easy enough to use a file hexdump utility to allow you to see the data. Each of the structures has a Sync byte of A5 (hex) and a unique Id to identify it. These two bytes and the two byte structure size should be enough to allow you to find and identify the various parts of the file.

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The ASCII Format

The output format is the same as the standard output of the ASCII conversion using the Aquadopp software, with the exception that speed and direction are not included. The sequence is the same, but the error and status codes are decimal numbers instead of binary (i.e. 17710 instead of 101100012) Also, the field de-limiter is always just a single space. The description of the format is found in the .hdr file that is generated when you convert an .aqd data file to ASCII.

| Name | Units | Size (characters) |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Month | (1-12) | 2 |
| Day | (1-31) | 2 |
| Year | | 4 |
| Hour | (0-23) | 2 |
| Minute | (0-59) | 2 |
| Second | (0-59) | 2 |
| Error Code | | |
| Status Code | | |
| Velocity (Beam1/X/East) | m/s | 5 |
| Velocity (Beam2/Y/North) | m/s | 5 |
| Velocity (Beam3/Z/Up) | m/s | 5 |
| Amplitude (Beam1) | counts | 4 |
| Amplitude (Beam2) | counts | 4 |
| Amplitude (Beam3) | counts | 4 |
| Battery voltage | V | 4 |
| Soundspeed | m/s | 6 |
| Heading | degrees | 5 |
| Pitch | degrees | 5 |
| Roll | degrees | 5 |
| Pressure | m | 7 |
| Temperature | degrees C | 4 |
| Analogue input 1 | | |
| Analogue input 2 | | |
| Speed | m/s | |
| Direction | degrees | 5 |

Here is an example with three lines of data (sampled at 10 minutes intervals):

```
4 1 2004 11 3 40 0 172 -0.104 -0.226 0.061 21 20 20 13.3 1525.5 350.5 52.9 -53.9 1.552 22.48 6304 6287
```

^{4 1 2004 11 3 44 0 172 -0.375 -0.366 -0.082 21 20 20 13.3 1525.5 350.5 52.9 -53.9 1.560 22.48 6280 6270}

^{4 1 2004 11 3 48 0 172 -0.705 -0.526 -0.359 21 20 20 13.3 1525.5 350.3 52.9 -53.9 1.550 22.48 6204 6205}

Aquadopp Profiler ASCII Output

The Continental is also capable of sending out ASCII formatted data.

To start a measurement with output in ASCII format the following steps must be used:

- 1. Set the relevant deployment parameters using the Continental software that is shipped with the instrument.
- 2. Download the deployment configuration to the instrument by starting a measurement.
- 3. Stop the measurement, the instrument has now stored the configuration internally.
- 4. Start an ASCII measurement from the terminal emulator using the two character command AS (Ascii Start)
- 5. Stop the measurement using Stop Data Collection in the Continental SW. Alternatively, the measurement can be stopped by sending a soft break followed by the characters MC (Mode Command).

Observe that there is no storage of data to the internal recorder when data is output in ASCII format.

The format is as follows:

Header Line

| Size (characters) | Name |
|-------------------|-------------|
| 12 | Serial No |
| 1 | Separator |
| 4 | Year |
| 1 | Separator |
| 2 | Month |
| 1 | Separator |
| 2 | Day |
| 1 | Year |
| 1 | Separator |
| 2 | Hour |
| 1 | Separator |
| 2 | Min |
| 1 | Separator |
| 2 | Second |
| 1 | Separator |
| 6 | Temperature |
| 1 | Separator |
| 7 | Extra field |

Data Line

| Size (characters) | Name |
|-------------------|-----------|
| 3 | CellNo |
| 1 | Separator |
| 6 | Speed |
| 1 | Separator |
| 4 | Direction |

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Example Programs

For your conveninence, we are pleased to provide a few example programs.

The following examples are provided:

- · Generating a break
- Decoding the data structures using Aquadopp as an example
- Structure definitions

Generating a Break

```
// Sample code using the Microsoft Win32 API to open a handle to COM1,
// configure the serial port and send a break signal to wake up the instrument.
  DCB dcb;
  HANDLE hComm;
  DWORD dwError;
  DWORD nBytesWritten;
  char cCommand[10];
  // Open a handle to COM1
  hComm = CreateFile("COM1",GENERIC READ|GENERIC WRITE,0,NULL,OPEN EXISTING,0,NULL);
  if (hComm == INVALID _ HANDLE _ VALUE) {
     dwError = GetLastError();
     // Handle the error.
  // Omit the call to SetupComm to use the default queue sizes.
  // Get the current configuration.
  if (!GetCommState(hComm,&dcb)) {
     dwError = GetLastError();
     // Handle the error.
  // Fill in the DCB: baud=9600, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit.
  dcb.BaudRate = 9600;
  dcb.ByteSize = 8;
  dcb.Parity = NOPARITY;
```

```
dcb.StopBits = ONESTOPBIT;
if (!SetCommState(hComm, &dcb)) {
  dwError = GetLastError();
   // Handle the error.
// Send a soft break signal
memset(cCommand,64,6); // @@@@@@
if (!WriteFile(hComm,cCommand,6,&nBytesWritten,NULL))
  dwError = GetLastError();
   // Handle the error.
}
Sleep(100);
strcpy(cCommand,"K1W%!Q");
if (!WriteFile(hComm,cCommand,6,&nBytesWritten,NULL))
   dwError = GetLastError();
  // Handle the error.
}
// Send a hard break signal
// Place the transmission line in a break state for 500 milliseconds
SetCommBreak(hComm);
Sleep(500);
ClearCommBreak(hComm);
```

Decoding the Data Structures

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```
cFill;
   char
                hChecksum; // checksum
   short
} PdMeas;
{
  PdMeas meas;
  SYSTEMTIME st;
  double dVel[3];
  double dAmp[3];
  short hChecksum;
  double dPressure;
  double dBattery;
  double dHeading;
  double dPitch;
  double dRoll;
   double dTemperature;
  // Assuming three beams
   // Checksum control
   if (meas.hChecksum != Checksum((short *)&meas,meas.hSize - 1)) {
     // Handle the error.
   st = ClockToSystemTime(meas.clock);
   dVel[0] = (double)meas.hVel[0] * 0.001;
   dVel[1] = (double)meas.hVel[1] * 0.001;
   dVel[2] = (double)meas.hVel[2] * 0.001;
   dAmp[0] = (double)meas.cAmp[0];
   dAmp[1] = (double)meas.cAmp[1];
  dAmp[2] = (double)meas.cAmp[2];
  dPressure = (65536.0*(double)meas.cMSB + (double)meas.hLSW)*0.001;
   dBattery = (double)meas.hBattery * 0.1;
   dHeading = (double)meas.hHeading * 0.1;
   dPitch = (double)meas.hPitch * 0.1;
   dRoll = (double)meas.hRoll * 0.1;
   dTemperature = (double)meas.hTemperature * 0.01;
// Convert from BCD time to system time
SYSTEMTIME ClockToSystemTime(PdClock clock)
{
```

```
SYSTEMTIME systime;
  WORD wYear;
  wYear = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cYear);
  if (wYear \geq 90) {
     wYear += 1900;
  }
  else {
     wYear += 2000;
  systime.wYear = wYear;
  systime.wMonth = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cMonth);
  systime.wDay = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cDay);
  systime.wHour = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cHour);
  systime.wMinute = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cMinute);
  systime.wSecond = (WORD)BCDToChar(clock.cSecond);
  systime.wMilliseconds = 0;
  return systime;
// Convert from BCD to char
unsigned char BCDToChar(unsigned char cBCD)
  unsigned char c;
  CBCD = min(CBCD, 0x99);
  c = (cBCD \& 0x0f);
  c += 10 * (cBCD >> 4);
  return c;
// Compute checksum
short Checksum(short *phBuff,int n)
  int i;
  short hChecksum = 0xb58c;
  for (i=0; i<n; i++)
    hChecksum += phBuff[i];
  return hChecksum;
```

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Structure Definitions

```
#define PD MAX BEAMS
#define PD MAX BINS
                                        128
#define PD MAX STAGECELLS
                                         1024
#pragma pack(push)
#pragma pack(1)
                     // 1 byte struct member alignment used in firmware
// Clock data (6 bytes) NOTE! BCD format
typedef struct {
   unsigned char cMinute; // minute
                                   // second
   unsigned char cSecond;
  unsigned char cDay; // day
unsigned char cHour; // hour
unsigned char cYear; // year
unsigned char cMonth; // month
PdClock;
} PdClock;
// Aquadopp diagnostics header data
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cId;  // sync = 0xa5

unsigned short hSize;  // total size of structure (words)

unsigned short nRecords;  // number of diagnostics samples to follow

unsigned short nCell;  // cell number of stored diagnostics data

unsigned char cNoise[4];  // noise amplitude (counts)

PdClock clock;  // date and +imo
                              // sync = 0xa5
   unsigned short hSparel;
   unsigned short hDistance[4]; // distance
   unsigned short hSpare[3];
                  hChecksum; // checksum
   short
} PdDiagHead;
// Aquadopp velocity data 3 beams
typedef struct {
                              // sync = 0xa5
   unsigned char cSync;
   unsigned char cId;
                                  // identification (0x01=normal, 0x80=diag)
                                 // size of structure (words)
// date and time
   unsigned short hSize;
   PdClock clock;
                  hError;
                                   // error code:
   short
                                    // bit 0: compass (0=ok, 1=error)
                                    // bit 1: measurement data (0=ok, 1=error)
                                    //
                                        bit 2: sensor data (0=ok, 1=error)
                                    // bit 3: tag bit (0=ok, 1=error)
```

```
bit 4: flash (0=ok, 1=error)
                                      bit 5:
                                //
                                      bit 6: serial CT sensor read (0=ok, 1=error)
  unsigned short hAnaIn1;
                                // analog input 1
  unsigned short hBattery;
                                // battery voltage (0.1 V)
  union {
     unsigned short hSoundSpeed; // speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
     unsigned short hAnaIn2;
                                  // analog input 2
  } 11;
                 hHeading;
  short
                               // compass heading (0.1 deg)
  short
                 hPitch;
                                // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
  short
                 hRoll;
                                // compass roll (0.1 deg)
  unsigned char cPressureMSB;
                               // pressure MSB
                 cStatus;
                                // status:
                                //
                                     bit 0: orientation (0=up, 1=down)
                                //
                                     bit 1: scaling (0=mm/s, 1=0.1mm/s)
                                     bit 2: pitch (0=ok, 1=out of range)
                                //
                                    bit 3: roll (0=ok, 1=out of range)
                                //
                                     bit 4: wakeup state:
                               // bit 5: (00=bad power, 01=break, 10=power applied,
11=RTC alarm)
                                     bit 6: power level:
                                     bit 7: (00=0(high), 01=1, 10=2, 11=3(low))
                                //
  unsigned short hPressureLSW;
                               // pressure LSW
  short
                 hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
                               // velocity
  short
                hVel[3];
                              // amplitude
  unsigned char cAmp[3];
  char
                 cFill;
  short
                hChecksum;
                               // checksum
} PdMeas;
// Vector velocity data header (18 bytes)
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cSync;
                               // sync = 0xa5
  unsigned char cId;
                                // identification = 0x12
  unsigned short hSize;
                              // total size of structure (words)
  PdClock
            clock;
                              // date and time
  unsigned short nRecords;
                               // number of velocity samples to follow
  unsigned short nRecords;  // number of velocit
unsigned char cNoise[4];  // noise amplitude (dunsigned char cCorr[4];  // noise correlation
                               // noise amplitude (counts)
  unsigned short hSpare[10]; // spare values
  short
                hChecksum;
                               // checksum
} PdVecHead;
// Vector velocity data 3 beams
typedef struct {
                               // sync = 0xa5
  unsigned char cSync;
  unsigned char cId;
                                // identification = 0x10
  unsigned char cAnaIn2LSB;
                               // analog input 2 LSB
```

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```
// ensemble counter
    unsigned char cCount;
    unsigned char cPressureMSB; // pressure MSB
    unsigned char cAnaIn2MSB; // analog input 2 MSB
    unsigned short hPressureLSW; // pressure LSW
   unsigned short hAnaIn1; // analog input 1 (fast) short hVel[3]; // velocity unsigned char cAmp[3]; // amplitude unsigned char cCorr[3]; // correlation (0-100) short hChecksum; // checksum
} PdVecVel;
// Vector system data (28 bytes)
typedef struct {
   unsigned char cSync; // sync = 0xa5
                                          // identification = 0x11
   unsigned char cId;
   unsigned char cId; // ruentineation cill
unsigned short hSize; // size of structure (words)
PdClock clock; // date and time
unsigned short hBattery; // battery voltage (0.1 V)
unsigned short hSoundSpeed; // speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
   short hHeading; // compass heading (0.1 m/s)
short hPitch; // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
short hRoll; // compass roll (0.1 deg)
short hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
   char cError;  // error code
char cStatus;  // status
   unsigned short hAnaIn;
                                          // analog input (slow)
                hChecksum;
   short
} PdVecSys;
// Aquadopp velocity profile data
typedef struct {
   unsigned char cSync;
                                           // sync = 0xa5
   unsigned char cId;
                                         // identification (0x21 = 3 beams, 0x22 = 2 beams, 0x21
= 1 beam)
   unsigned short hSize; // size of structure (word PdClock clock; // date and time short hError; // error code unsigned short hAnaIn1; // analog input 1 unsigned short hBattery; // battery voltage (0.1 V)
                                         // size of structure (words)
    union {
       unsigned short hSoundSpeed;// speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
       unsigned short hAnaIn2; // analog input 2
    } u;
                                           // compass heading (0.1 deg)
    short
                      hHeading;
                      hPitch;
                                           // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
    short
                      hRoll;
                                           // compass roll (0.1 deg)
    short
    union {
       struct {
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// pressure MSB
        unsigned char cMSB;
                      cStatus; // status
        unsigned short hLSW; // pressure LSW
     } Pressure;
                               // (mm)
     struct {
        unsigned char cQuality;// distance quality
                      cStatus; // status
        unsigned short hDist; // distance (mm)
     } Distance;
  } u1;
  short
                hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
  // actual size of the following = nBeams*nBins*3 + 2
  short
              hVel[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // short hVel[nBeams][nCells]; //
velocity
   unsigned char cAmp[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells];
// amplitude
                                                // char cFill
                                                                                //
if nCells % 2 != 0
               hChecksum;
                              // checksum
} PdAqdProf;
// Continental velocity profile data (variable length)
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cSync;
                              // sync = 0xa5
                              // identification (0x24 = 3 beams, 0x25 = 2 beams, 0x26
  unsigned char cId;
= 1 beam)
  unsigned short hSize;
                             // size of structure (words)
                              // date and time
  PdClock clock;
                               // error code
  short
                hError;
  unsigned short hAnaIn1;
                               // analog input 1
  unsigned short hBattery;
                               // battery voltage (0.1 V)
     unsigned short hSoundSpeed;// speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
     unsigned short hAnaIn2; // analog input 2
  } u;
  short
                hHeading;
                              // compass heading (0.1 deg)
  short
                hPitch;
                              // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
                              // compass roll (0.1 deg)
               hRoll;
  short.
  unsigned char cPressureMSB; // pressure MSB
                cStatus;
                              // status
  unsigned short hPressureLSW; // pressure LSW
               hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
                hSpare[44];
  // actual size of the following = nBeams*nBins*3 + 2
  short
               hVel[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // short hVel[nBeams][nCells]; //
velocity
   unsigned char cAmp[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells];
// amplitude
                                                // char cFill
                                                                                //
if nCells % 2 != 0
                              // checksum
  short
               hChecksum;
} PdFarProf;
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// HR Aquadopp profile data (28 + f(nBeams) bytes)
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cSync;
                                // sync = 0xa5
   unsigned char cId;
                                 // identification (0x2a)
  unsigned short hMilliseconds; // milliseconds
  short hError; // error code unsigned short hBattery; // battery vol
                                // battery voltage (0.1 V)
  unsigned short hSoundSpeed; // speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
  short hHeading; // compass heading (0.1 deg) short hPitch; // compass pitch (0.1 deg) short hRoll; // compass roll (0.1 deg)
   union {
      struct {
        char cFill;
         char
                 cStatus;
                                 // status
      } Status;
      struct {
        unsigned char cMSB;
                                 // pressure MSB
        char cFill;
        unsigned short hLSW; // pressure LSW
      } Pressure;
                                 // (mm)
   } u1;
                 hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
   short
  unsigned short hAnaIn1; \hspace{0.5cm} /\!/ \hspace{0.1cm} analog \hspace{0.1cm} input \hspace{0.1cm} 1
   unsigned short hAnaIn2;
                               // analog input 2
  unsigned char nBeams;
                                          // number of beams
  unsigned char nCells;
                                          // number of cells
  short hVelLag2[3]; // short hVel[nBeams][nCells]; // velocity unsigned char cAmpLag2[3]; // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells]; // amplitud
                                 // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells]; // amplitude
   unsigned char cCorrLag2[3]; // char cCorr[nBeams][nCells]; // correlation (0-
100)
                hSpare[3];
   // actual size of the following = nBeams*nBins*3 + 2
               hVel[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // short hVel[nBeams][nCells]; //
  short
velocity
   unsigned char cAmp[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells];
// amplitude
   unsigned char cCorr[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS];// char cCorr[nBeams][nCells];
// correlation (0-100)
                                                  // char cFill // if nCells
% 2 != 0
                 hChecksum; // checksum
  short
} PdHrProf;
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// AWAC velocity profile data (variable length)
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cSync;
                               // sync = 0xa5
  unsigned char cId;
                                // identification (0x20)
                               // size of structure (words)
  unsigned short hSize;
                               // date and time
  PdClock clock;
  short.
                hError;
                               // error code
  unsigned short hAnaIn1;
                                // analog input 1
  unsigned short hBattery;
                                // battery voltage (0.1 V)
  union {
     unsigned short hSoundSpeed; // speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
     unsigned short hAnaIn2;  // analog input 2
  } u;
  short
                 hHeading; // compass heading (0.1 deg)
                hPitch;
  short
                                // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
  short
                hRoll;
                              // compass roll (0.1 deg)
  unsigned char cPressureMSB; // pressure MSB
                               // status
                 cStatus;
  unsigned short hPressureLSW; // pressure LSW
  short
                hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
  short
                 hSpare[44];
  // actual size of the following = nBeams*nBins*3 + 2
  short
                hVel[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // short hVel[nBeams][nCells]; //
velocity
   unsigned char cAmp[PD MAX BEAMS][PD MAX BINS]; // char cAmp[nBeams][nCells];
// amplitude
                                                  // char cFill
if nCells % 2 != 0
                               // checksum
  short
                hChecksum;
} PdProf;
// Wave header data (60 bytes)
typedef struct {
  unsigned char cSync;
                               // sync = 0xa5
  unsigned char cId;
                                // identification = 0x31
  unsigned short hBattery; // battery voltage (0 1 77)
                               // total size of structure (words)
                               // T2 used for wave data measurements (counts)
  unsigned short hSoundSpeed; // speed of sound (0.1 m/s)
                 hHeading;
  short
                                // compass heading (0.1 deg)
                 hPitch;
                               // compass pitch (0.1 deg)
  short
                hRoll;
                               // compass roll (0.1 deg)
  unsigned short hMinPress;
unsigned short hMaxPress;
                               // minimum pressure value of previous profile (mm)
                               // maximum pressure value of previous profile (mm)
                hTemperature; // temperature (0.01 deg C)
  unsigned short hCellSize; // cell size in counts of T3
  unsigned char cNoise[4];  // noise amplitude (counts)
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