

MTi 600-series User Manual

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General Information

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This document provides information on the usage and technical details of the MTi 600-series. The MTi 600-series module (MTi-600) is a fully functional, self-contained module that is easy to design-in. The MTi-600 module (IP51) can be connected to a host through RS232, CAN or UART interfaces, or through USB using the UART to USB converter (included in the MTi 600-series Development Kit). In contrast, the MTi 600-series robust trackers (MTi-630R, MTi-670G and MTi-680G) are rugged (IP68) devices which can be connected to a host through RS232 or CAN interface, or through USB using the RS232 to USB converter dongle (included in the MTi 600-series Starter Kit).

The *MTi Family Reference Manual* supplements this document. It reports generic information on the MTi 1-series and MTi 600-series, such as output definitions, algorithm details and installation tips.

The *MTi 600-series Hardware Integration Manual* supplements this document. In this document, notes on typical application scenarios, printed circuit board (PCB) layout, origin of measurement reference system, stress related considerations, reference designs and handling information can be found.

For testing and prototyping, Xsens provides the MTi-630, MTi-670 and MTi-680 Development Kits (MTi-630-DK, MTi-670-DK and MTi-680-DK) as well as Starter Kits (SK) for the robust MTi-630R, MTi-670G and MTi-680G. In addition to the RS232, CAN and UART pin connectors of the MTi 600-series module, the Development Kit offers a direct USB, RS232, RS422 and CAN interface. Technical details of the Development Kit and its usage can be found in the *MTi 600-series DK User Manual*.

The *MT Low Level Communication Protocol* document provides a complete reference for the protocols used to communicate with Xsens Motion Trackers on low-level basis. The MT Low Level Communication Protocol document also describes the synchronization messages and settings in detail.

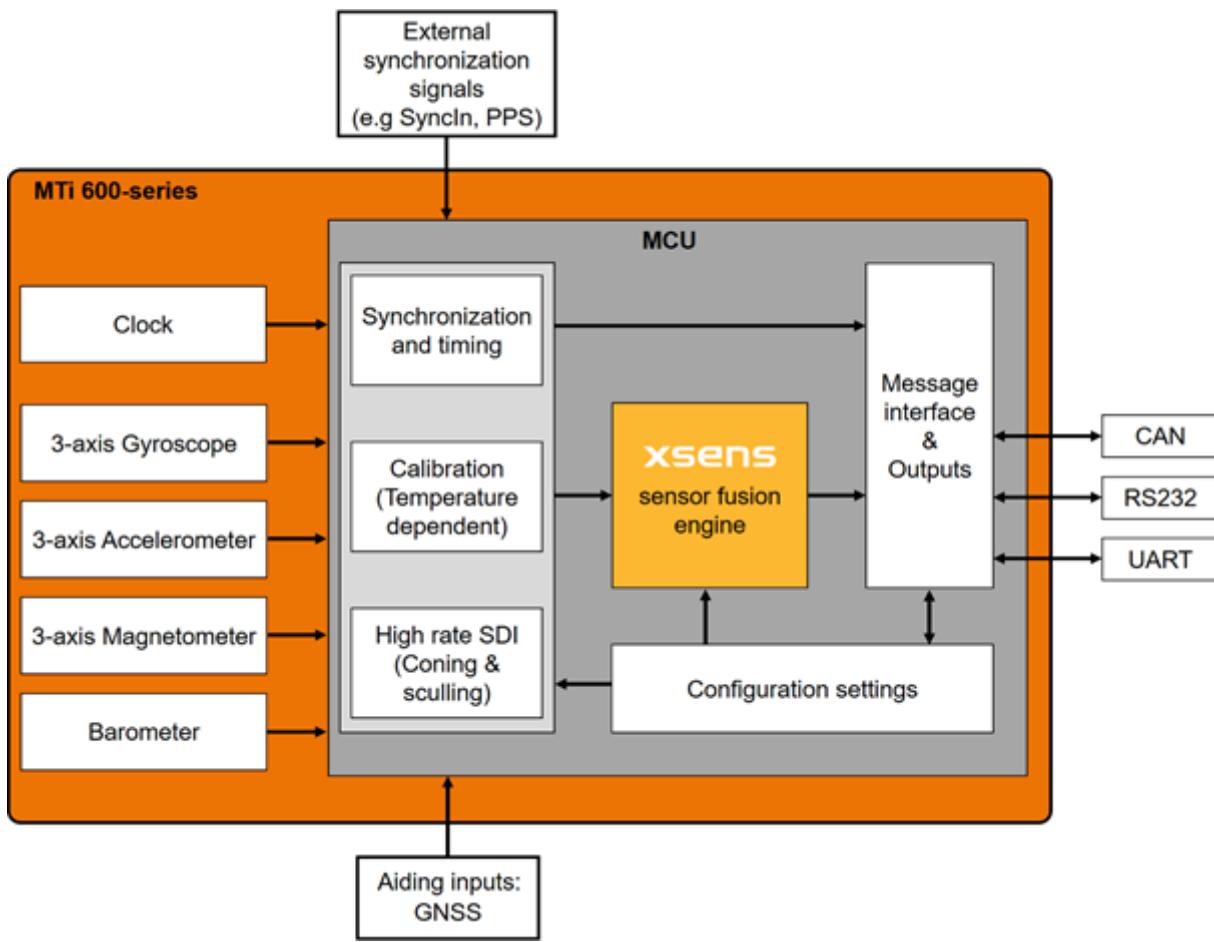
Ordering information

Ordering information for MTi 600-series products

| Part Number | Description | Packing |
|-------------|---|----------------------|
| MTi-610 | IMU Inertial data | Box (MOQ 5 units) |
| MTi-620 | VRU Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (unreferenced) | Box (MOQ 5 units) |
| MTi-630 | AHRS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced) | Box (MOQ 5 units) |
| MTi-630R | AHRS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced) | Box |
| MTi-670 | GNSS/INS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced), velocity, position | Box (MOQ 5 units) |
| MTi-670G | GNSS/INS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced), velocity, position | Box |
| MTi-680 | RTK GNSS/INS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced), velocity, position | Box (MOQ 5 units) |
| MTi-680G | RTK GNSS/INS Inertial data, roll/pitch/yaw (referenced), velocity, position | Box |
| MTi-630-DK | Development Kit for MTi-630 AHRS (also applicable for MTi-610 IMU and MTi-620 VRU) | Box |
| MTi-630R-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-630R AHRS | Box |
| MTi-670-DK | Development Kit for MTi-670 GNSS/INS | Box |
| MTi-670G-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-670G GNSS/INS | Box |

| Part Number | Description | Packing |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| MTi-680-DK | Starter Kit for MTi-680 RTK GNSS/INS | Box |
| MTi-680G-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-680G RTK GNSS/INS | Box |

MTi 600-series architecture



The diagram in the figure above shows a simplified architecture of the MTi 6x0-series module. The MTi-6x0 contains a 3-axis gyroscope, 3-axis accelerometer, 3-axis magnetometer, barometer, a high-accuracy crystal and a low-power micro controller unit (MCU). The MTi-670/680 module can also accept signals from an external GNSS receiver. The MCU coordinates the timing and synchronization of the various sensors. The module offers the possibility to use external signals in order to accurately synchronize the clock and/or outputs of the MTi-6x0 with any user application. The MCU applies calibration models (unique to each sensor and including orientation, gain and bias offsets, plus more advanced relationships such

as non-linear temperature effects and other higher order terms) and runs the Xsens optimized strapdown algorithm, which performs high-rate dead-reckoning calculations up to 2 kHz, allowing accurate capture of high frequency motions and coning & sculling compensation. The Xsens sensor fusion engine combines all sensor inputs and optimally estimates the orientation, position and velocity at an output data rate of up to 400 Hz. The output data of the MTi-600 is easily configured and customized for an application's needs and can be set to use one of various filter profiles available within the Xsens sensor fusion engine. In this way, the MTi-600 limits the load and the power consumption on the user application's processor. The user can communicate with the module by means of three different communication interfaces; RS232, CAN and UART[1]. Other interfaces are available using an MTi Development Kit or by using third party equipment (e.g. UART/RS232 to USB converter).

Contrary to the above image, the robust MTi-670G and MTi-680G include an internal GNSS receiver.

MTi 600-series product variants

The MTi-6x0 module is a fully tested self-contained module available as an:

- Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU),
- Vertical Reference Unit (VRU),
- Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS)
- GNSS aided Inertial Navigation System (GNSS/INS).

It can output 3D orientation data (Euler angles, rotation matrix or quaternions), orientation and velocity increments (Δq and Δv), position and velocity quantities and calibrated sensor data (acceleration, rate of turn, magnetic field and pressure). Depending on the product variant, output options may differ.

MTi-610 IMU

The MTi-610 module is an IMU that outputs calibrated 3D rate of turn, 3D acceleration, 3D magnetic field and barometric pressure. The MTi-610 also outputs coning and sculling compensated orientation increments and velocity increments (Δq and Δv). Advantages over a simple gyroscope-accelerometer combo-sensor are the inclusion of synchronized magnetic field and barometric data, on-board signal processing and the easy-to-use synchronization and communication protocol. The signal processing pipeline and the suite of output options allow access to the highest possible accuracy at any output data rate up to 2000 Hz. Moreover, the

testing and calibration is already performed by Xsens and results in a robust and reliable sensor module, which enables a short time to market for the users.

MTi-620 VRU

The MTi-620 is a 3D VRU. On top of the functionality of the MTi-610 IMU, its algorithm computes 3D orientation data with respect to a gravity referenced frame: drift-free roll, pitch and unreferenced yaw. Although the yaw is unreferenced, it is superior to only gyroscope integration as a result of advanced on-board sensor fusion. The 3D acceleration is also available as so-called free acceleration, which has the local-gravity subtracted. The drift in unreferenced heading can be limited by using the Active Heading Stabilization (AHS) functionality, see Signal processing and algorithms for more details. The raw sensor signals are combined and processed at a high frequency to produce a real-time data stream with device's 3D orientation (roll, pitch and yaw) up to 400 Hz.

MTi-630(R) AHRS

The MTi-630 supports all features of the MTi-610 and MTi-620, and in addition is a full magnetometer-enhanced AHRS. In addition to the roll and pitch, it outputs a yaw (heading) output that is referenced to the Earth's magnetic field and calibrated sensor data: 3D acceleration, 3D rate of turn, 3D orientation and velocity increments (Δq and Δv) and 3D magnetic field data. The raw sensor signals are combined and processed at a high frequency to produce a real-time data stream with the device's 3D orientation (roll, pitch and yaw) up to 400 Hz.

In contrast to the MTi-630, the MTi-630R comes as a robust (IP68) module.

MTi-670(G) GNSS/INS

The MTi-670 provides a GNSS/INS solution offering a position and velocity output in addition to orientation estimates. The MTi-670 uses advanced sensor fusion algorithms developed by Xsens to synchronize the inputs from the module's on-board gyroscope, accelerometer, magnetometer and barometer, with the data from an external GNSS receiver. The raw sensor signals are combined and processed at a high frequency to produce a real-time data stream with device's 3D position, velocity and orientation (roll, pitch and yaw) up to 400 Hz.

In contrast to the MTi-670, the MTi-670G comes as a robust (IP68) module with an integrated GNSS receiver.

MTi-680(G) RTK GNSS/INS

The MTi-680 provides a GNSS/INS solution offering a centimeter-accurate position and velocity output in addition to orientation estimates. The MTi-680 uses advanced sensor fusion algorithms developed by Xsens to synchronize the inputs from the module's on-board gyroscope, accelerometer, magnetometer and barometer, with the data from an external, RTK-enabled GNSS receiver. The raw sensor signals are combined and processed at a high frequency to produce a real-time data stream with device's 3D position, velocity and orientation (roll, pitch and yaw) up to 400 Hz.

In contrast to the MTi-680, the MTi-680G is a robust tracker that uses an internal L1/L2 RTK enabled GNSS receiver.

[1] UART port is not available on robust trackers (MTi-630R, MTi-670G, MTi-680G)

Sensor Specifications

- Sensor Specifications
 - MTi 600-series performance specifications
 - MTi 600-series sensor specifications

This section presents the performance and the sensor component specifications for the calibrated MTi-6x0 series products. Each product has passed the Xsens calibration process individually. The Xsens calibration procedure calibrates for many parameters, including bias (offset), alignment of the sensors with respect to the PCB and to each other, and gain (scale factor). All calibration values are temperature dependent and temperature calibrated. The calibration values are stored in the non-volatile memory of the module.

In addition, some calibration parameters are continuously improved and/or re-estimated through the on-board sensor fusion algorithms during normal operation of the product.

MTi 600-series performance specifications

Orientation performance specifications

| Parameter | Condition | MTi-610 IMU | MTi-620 VRU | MTi-630(R) AHRS | MTi-670(G) GNSS/INS | MTi-680(G) RTK GNSS/INS |
|------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Roll/Pitch | Static [RMS] | N/A | 0.2° | 0.2° | 0.2° | 0.2° |
| | Dynamic (car, 25m/s) [RMS] | N/A | 0.25° | 0.25° | 0.25° | 0.25° |
| Yaw | Dynamic (car, 25m/s) [RMS] | N/A | Unreferenced | 1° | 0.8° | 0.5° |

Position and velocity performance specifications for MTi-670-DK and MTi-670G-SK

| Parameter | Direction | Specification | Dynamic (car, 25m/s) |
|-----------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Position | Horizontal [CEP] | <1.0 m | <1.0 m |
| | Vertical [CEP] | 2.0 m | 2.0 m |
| Velocity | 3D [RMS] | 0.05 m/s | 0.05 m/s |

Position and velocity performance specifications for MTi-680-DK and MTi-680G with RTK correction signals provided

| Parameter | Direction | Specification | Dynamic (car, 25m/s) |
|-----------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Position | Horizontal [CEP] | 0.01 m | <0.05 m |
| | Vertical [CEP] | 0.1 m | 0.1 m |
| Velocity | 3D [RMS] | 0.05 m/s | 0.05 m/s |

The specifications mentioned in tables above are with Development/Starter Kit reference designs.

MTi 600-series sensor specifications

MTi 600-series gyroscope specifications

| Gyroscope specification[1] | Unit | Value |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Standard full range | [°/s] | ±2000 |
| In-run bias stability | [°/h] | 8 |
| Bandwidth (-3dB) | [Hz] | 520 |
| Noise density | [°/s/√Hz] | 0.007 |
| g-sensitivity (calibrated) | [°/s/g] | 0.001 |
| Non-linearity | [%FS] | 0.1 |
| Scale Factor variation | [%] | 0.5 (typical) 1.5 (over life) |

MTi 600-series accelerometer specifications

| Accelerometer[1] | Unit | Value |
|------------------------------|----------|-------|
| Standard full range | [g] | ±10 |
| In-run bias stability (x, y) | [μg] | 10 |
| In-run bias stability (z) | [μg] | 15 |
| Bandwidth (-3dB) | [Hz] | 500 |
| Noise density | [μg/√Hz] | 60 |

| Accelerometer[1] | Unit | Value |
|------------------|-------|-------|
| Non-linearity | [%FS] | 0.1 |

MTi 600-series magnetometer specifications

| Magnetometer[1] | Unit | Value |
|---------------------|------|-------|
| Standard full range | [G] | ±8 |
| Non-linearity | [%] | 0.2 |
| Total RMS noise | [mG] | 1 |
| Resolution | [mG] | 0.25 |

MTi 600-series barometer specifications

| Barometer[1] | Unit | Value |
|-------------------|-------|----------|
| Full range | [hPa] | 300-1250 |
| Total RMS Noise | [Pa] | 1.2 |
| Relative accuracy | [Pa] | ±8 [2] |

MTi 600-series orthogonality specifications

| Parameter[1] | Unit | Value |
|-----------------------------------|------|-------|
| Non-orthogonality (accelerometer) | [°] | 0.05 |
| Non-orthogonality (gyroscope) | [°] | 0.05 |
| Non-orthogonality (magnetometer) | [°] | 0.05 |

MTi-670G and MTi-680G internal GNSS receiver specifications

| GNSS[1] | Unit | Value | Note |
|--------------------------|------------|-------|----------|
| Acquisition | Cold start | [s] | 24 [3] |
| | Hot start | [s] | 2 |
| Convergence time | RTK | [s] | < 10 [4] |
| Horizontal pos. accuracy | PVT | [m] | 1.5 |

| GNSS[1] | | Unit | Value | Note |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------|-----------------|---------------|
| | RTK[5] | [m] | 0.01 | MTi-680G only |
| Vertical pos. accuracy | RTK[5] | [m] | 0.01 | MTi-680G only |
| Supported GNSS signals: | | | | |
| GPS | L1C/A | [MHz] | 1575.42 | |
| | L2C | [MHz] | 1227.60 | |
| GLONASS | L1OF | [MHz] | 1598.0 - 1605.4 | |
| | L2OF | [MHz] | 1242.9 – 1248.6 | |
| Galileo | E1-B/C | [MHz] | 1575.42 | |
| | E5b | [MHz] | 1207.14 | |
| BeiDou | B1I | [MHz] | 1561.098 | |
| | B2I | [MHz] | 1207.14 | |

[1] As Xsens continues to update the sensors on the module, these specifications are subject to change.

[2] Equivalent to 0.5 m.

[3] Using GPS + GLONASS + Galileo + BeiDou.

[4] < 30 s for GPS only.

[5] Measured using 1 km baseline and patch antennas with good ground planes. Does not account for possible antenna phase center offset errors.

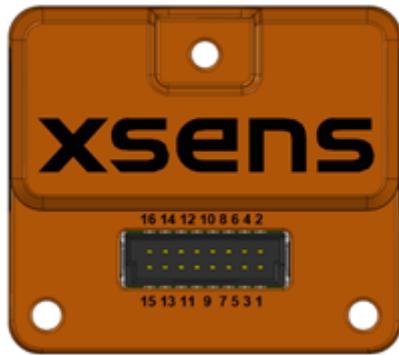
Functional description

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This chapter describes the MTi 600-series pinout and gives details about the supported communication interfaces.

Pin description module

The pin map below shows the peripheral interfaces.



Pin configuration of the MTi 600-series module (bottom view)

Pin descriptions of the MTi 600-series module

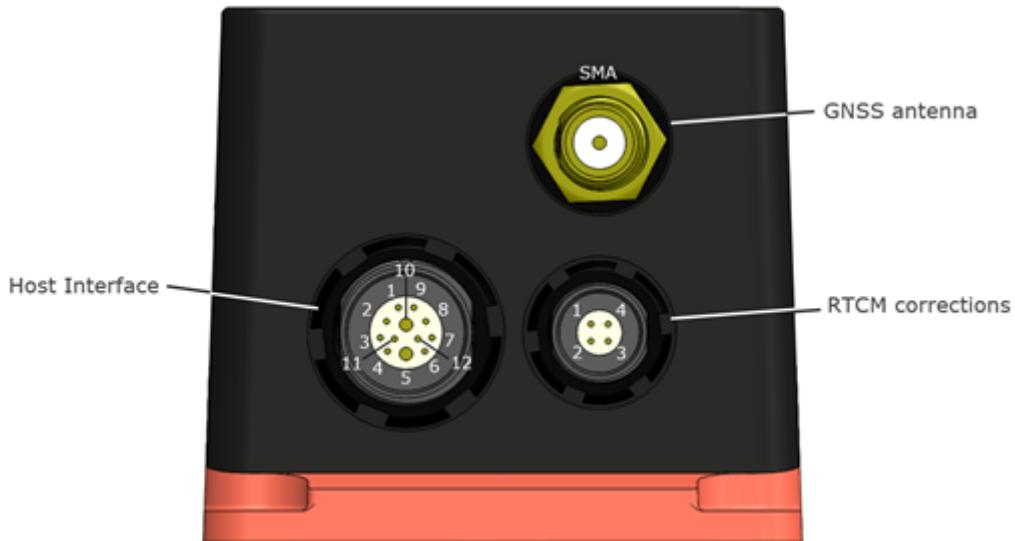
| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|-------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | VIN | PWR | Power input |
| 2 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 3 | CAN_H | I/O | CAN bus differential high side |
| 4 | CAN_L | I/O | CAN bus differential low side |

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|-------------|----------|---|
| 5 | RS232_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 6 | RS232_RTS | O | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 7 | RS232_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 8 | RS232_CTS | I | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 9 | SYNC_IN1 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 10 | SYNC_IN2 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 11 | GNSS_TxD[1] | O | RS232 transmitter output to GNSS module |
| 12 | GNSS_RxD9 | I | RS232 receiver input from GNSS module |
| 13 | SYNC_OUT | O | Configurable synchronization output |
| 14 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 15 | UART_TxD | O | UART transmitter output |
| 16 | UART_RxD | I | UART receiver input |

[1] Only available for MTi-670. Do not connect for other models.

Pin description robust trackers (MTi-630R/670G/680G)

The figure below shows the three connectors on the rugged housing of the MTi-670G/680G. The MTi-630R only features the Host Interface connector.



Connectors and pin numbers on the MTi-670G/680G housing

The table below shows the pin descriptions of the MTi-630R/670G/680G Host Interface connector.

Pin descriptions MTi-630R/670G/680G Host Interface

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|-----------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | CAN_H | I/O | CAN bus differential high side |
| 2 | CAN_L | I/O | CAN bus differential low side |
| 3 | SYNC_IN1 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 4 | SYNC_IN2 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 5 | VIN | PWR | Power input |
| 6 | RS232_CTS | I | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 7 | RS232_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 8 | RS232_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 9 | RS232_RTS | O | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 10 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 11 | SYNC_OUT | O | Configurable synchronization output |
| 12 | GND | PWR | Ground |

The table below shows the pin descriptions of the MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector.

 **The MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector is also present on the MTi-670G, but it is unused. It should therefore be left unconnected.**

Pin descriptions MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|----------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | V_BCKP | PWR | Backup supply for GNSS (3V3). |
| 2 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 3 | RTCM_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 4 | RTCM_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |

Peripheral interfaces

The MTi 600-series supports CAN, RS232, and UART interfaces for host communication. For more detailed information on the interfaces please refer to the *MTi 600-series Hardware Integration Manual*.

CAN (Controller Area Network)

A Controller Area Network (CAN bus) is a robust standard designed to allow communication between devices in applications without a host computer. The CAN interface of the MTi-600 does not include a termination resistor. It can be used in a CAN bus that already incorporates the required termination. If used in a single device connection, a $120\ \Omega$ termination resistor needs to be added between the CAN_H and CAN_L pins.

RS232 with RTS/CTS flow control

The RS232 interface complies with the standard RS232 voltage levels. It includes hardware flow control through RTS and CTS lines.

UART

The UART interface can be used to directly connect to an MCU with 3.3 V IO-levels. The user can configure the MTi 600-series module to communicate over UART. The UART frame

configuration is 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit (8N1). The UART protocol only has the TX and RX lines without any flow control.

Due to the rugged build, the UART port is not available on robust trackers (MTi-630R, MTi-670G, MTi-680G).

RTCM input port

 **The MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector is also present on the MTi-670G, but it is unused. It should therefore be left unconnected.**

The RTCM input port on the MTi-680G can be used to provide RTCM correction messages. The port uses RS232 signalling with 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit. The default baud rate on this port is 38400 bit/s, but a higher baud rate can be configured. Refer to the table below for available baud rates. Setting the baud rate is possible using MT Manager or using low level commands. Please refer to the low-level communication document for details on the SetPortConfig command and how to configure it.

The RTCM input port also outputs a GGA message at a 1Hz interval, this GGA message is often required by NTRIP providers.

RTCM input port baud rates

| baud rate [bit/s] |
|-------------------|
| 38k4 (default) |
| 57k6 |
| 115k2 |
| 230k4 |
| 460k8 |
| 921k6 |

Signal processing and algorithms

This section discusses the MTi 600-series signal processing and algorithm description.

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Signal processing pipeline

The MTi 600-series is a self-contained product. All calculations and processes such as

sampling, coning & sculling compensation and the Xsens sensor fusion algorithm run on board.

Strapdown integration

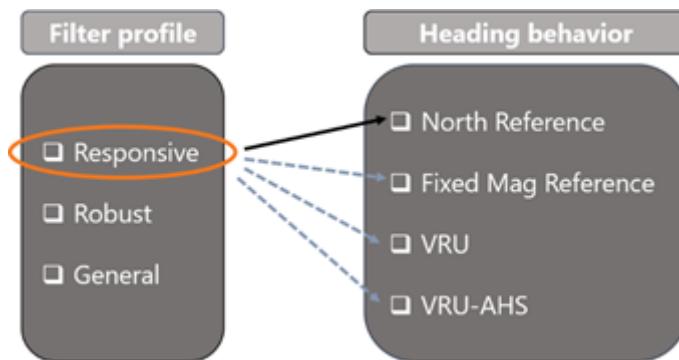
The Xsens optimized strapdown algorithm performs high-rate dead-reckoning calculations up to 2000 Hz allowing accurate capture of high frequency motions. This approach ensures a high bandwidth. Orientation and velocity increments are calculated with full coning & sculling compensation. These orientation and velocity increments are suitable for any 3D motion tracking algorithm. Increments are internally time-synchronized with other sensors. The output data rate can be configured for different frequencies, see #Output data rates. The inherent design of the signal pipeline with the computation of orientation and velocity increments ensures there is absolutely no loss of information at any output data rate. This makes the MTi 600-series also attractive for systems with limited communication bandwidth.

Xsens sensor fusion algorithm for VRU and AHRS product types

MTi-620 and MTi-630(R) run the newest Xsens sensor fusion algorithm implementing the latest Xsens insights. It optimally estimates the orientation with respect to an Earth fixed frame utilizing the 3D inertial sensor data (orientation and velocity increments) and 3D magnetometer data.

The Xsens sensor fusion algorithm uses assumptions to obtain the orientation estimations. Since the assumptions may be more or less valid based on the characteristics of the typical dynamics of the application, and since the magnetic field differs per application, the Xsens algorithm makes use of a set of filter profiles to be able to use the correct assumptions given the application. This way, the algorithm can be optimized for different types of movements and conditions.

With the MTi-620 and MTi-630(R), the user can configure different algorithm behaviours by selecting a “base” filter profile and, next to it, a heading behaviour, see image below.



Filter profile and heading behaviour selection: a tiered approach

The “base” filter profile selection affects the general behaviour of the device, mainly based on the nature of the typical expected dynamics of the application. The heading behaviour, as the name suggests, affects the heading/yaw output of the MTi, and determines how the magnetometer measurements are interpreted. This tiered approach gives more freedom to select the desired behaviour for different user application scenarios. The tables below summarize the filter profile and heading behaviour options.

Every application is different and results may vary from setup to setup. It is recommended to reprocess recorded data with different filter profiles in MT Manager to determine the best filter profile for your specific application.#1

| Filter profiles for MTi-620 and MTi-630(R) | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---|--|
| Name | Product | Description | Typical applications |
| Responsive | MTi-620 MTi-630(R) | This filter profile is designed for indoor applications as well as applications that experience high dynamics and jerky movements. When the MTi is static, an automatic gyro bias estimation is performed in the background. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor/Indoor handling objects • Indoor ground vehicles • Outdoor/Indoor head tracker • Indoor mapping, outdoor mapping if handheld (e.g. tripods with camera, backpack) • Industrial robotic arm |
| Robust | MTi-620 MTi-630(R) | This filter profile is suitable for most of the applications. Compared to the other filter profiles it has a more robust tuning. When the MTi is static, an automatic gyro bias estimation is performed in the background. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ships/vessels • Automotive • Ground vehicles outdoor • Outdoor mapping with vehicles |
| General#2 | MTi-620 MTi-630(R) | This filter profile behaves like the General filter profile implemented for the previous generation Xsens Products (e.g. MTi-30). It is more sensitive to the magnetic field changes. It does not perform an automatic gyro bias estimation in background. This filter profile cannot be combined with the FixedMagRef heading behaviour. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automotive • Ground vehicles outdoor • Outdoor mapping with vehicles |

Heading Behaviour

| Name | Product | Description | Typical applications |
|----------------|------------|--|--|
| NorthReference | MTi-630(R) | This heading behaviour assumes a homogeneous magnetic environment that can be used to estimate a stable North referenced ^{#3} heading. | All applications that require a North referenced heading and are used in a homogeneous magnetic field. |
| FixedMagRef | MTi-630(R) | This heading behaviour is based on the idea that the heading is not necessarily referenced to the local magnetic North. Instead, it maintains a fixed heading reference frame based on what is defined when the MTi is powered up (based on the initially observed magnetic field). This means that there is no drift with respect to the starting frame when the local magnetic field changes. For example, when moving from room A to room B, where room B has a different local magnetic field direction than room A, the heading output of the MTi does not change. This is in contrast to the NorthReference heading behaviour, which forces the MTi to estimate the heading based on the local magnetic field. | All applications that are used in environments where different magnetic fields are present (e.g. mixed indoor/outdoor applications). |

| Name | Product | Description | Typical applications |
|--------|-----------------------|--|--|
| VRU | MTi-620 MTi-630(R) | The yaw is unreferenced. This means that it is initialized at 0° when the MTi is powered up and the yaw will be computed relative to this initial orientation. The magnetic field is not used to estimate the yaw. Because of small inaccuracies that originate when integrating gyroscope data, the Yaw output will contain an error that builds up over time, also known as "drift". Note however, that because of the working principle of the sensor fusion algorithm, the drift in yaw will be much lower than when gyroscope signals would be simply integrated. | Applications where only roll and pitch is of interest and/or applications that are used in environments where the magnetic field cannot be trusted (e.g. stabilized antenna platforms or pipeline inspection tools). |
| VRUAHS | MTi-620 MTi-630(R) | This heading behaviour activates the Active Heading Stabilization (AHS) on top of the above described VRU behaviour. AHS is a software component within the sensor fusion engine designed to give a low-drift unreferenced heading solution, even in a disturbed magnetic environment. The yaw remains unreferenced, but the drift is limited.#4 | Scenarios where the magnetic field cannot be trusted completely, but a stable yaw is needed. |

Xsens sensor fusion algorithm for the GNSS/INS product type

The Xsens sensor fusion algorithm in the GNSS/INS products has several advanced features. The algorithm adds robustness to the orientation and position estimates by combining measurements and estimates from the inertial sensors, magnetometer, barometer and a GNSS receiver in order to compensate for transient accelerations and magnetic disturbances.

The GNSS status is continuously monitored and the filter accepts GNSS data when available and sufficiently trustworthy. When the product has limited/mediocre GNSS reception or even no

GNSS reception at all (e.g. during outages), the fusion algorithm seamlessly adjusts the filter settings in such a way that the highest possible accuracy output is maintained. The MTi will continue to output position, velocity and orientation estimates, although the accuracy is likely to degrade over time as the filters can only rely on dead-reckoning. If the GNSS outage lasts longer than 45 seconds, the MTi stops the output of the position and velocity estimates, and resumes sending these outputs once the GNSS data becomes acceptable again.

Smoothers

The GNSS/INS products (MTi-670(G) and MTi-680(G)) have optional sensor fusion functions called *smoothers* for reducing sudden jumps in the output data that may arise from fusing low-rate GNSS receiver messages with high-rate inertial sensor data. There is a smoother for orientation data for both the MTi-670(G) and MTi-680(G), and a position/velocity smoother for the MTi-680(G). The smoothers can be enabled from the Device Settings window in MT Manager, or by using the setOptionFlags low-level communication command (see the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document* for details).

Continuous Zero Rotation Update

The Continuous Zero Rotation Update (CZRU) is a feature that is currently only available for the MTi-680(G). The purpose of the CZRU is to reduce the undesired effects of gyroscope bias, such as drift of the orientation output. Although all MTi products are individually calibrated for various parameters, including sensor bias, the aging and use of Motion Trackers in industrial environments can cause sensor biases to change during the product's lifetime. Because of that, the filters of the MTi are continuously re-estimating calibration parameters such as sensor bias while they are powered up. If enabled, the Continuous Zero Rotation Update will execute a background algorithm that will automatically initiate a gyroscope bias estimation sequence whenever the Motion Tracker is motionless.

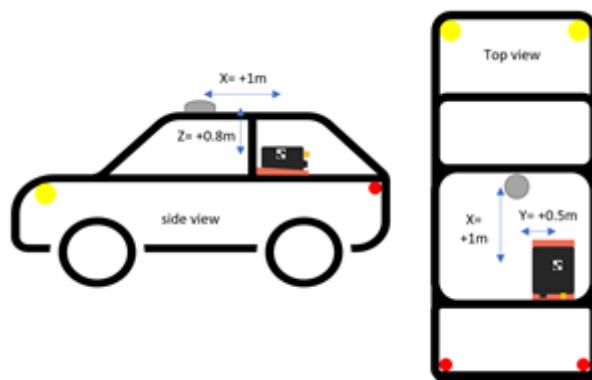
The Manual Gyro Bias Estimation function is similar to the Continuous Zero Rotation Update, except for the fact that for each individual update, the Manual Gyro Bias Estimation function has to be initiated by the user through a command. For more information, refer to *BASE: Manual Gyro Bias Estimation*.

The Continuous Zero Rotation Update can be enabled through the Device Settings window in MT Manager, or through the SetOptionFlags low-level command (see *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document*).

Lever Arm Correction

Due to the improvement in position accuracy on MTi-680(G) devices with RTK support, the option to configure a GNSS lever arm is available. The figure below highlights the effect of the lever arm on measurements taken with cm-level accuracy.

The lever-arm describes the position of the GNSS antenna with respect to the origin of measurement of the MT device (see Design and Packaging). The algorithm uses this information to correct its position and velocity measurements accordingly. The lever arm can be set from the Device Settings window in MT Manager, or by using the `setGnssLeverArm` low-level communication command (refer to the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document* for details).



Example of lever arm measurements



Lever arm correction for MTi-680G

Filter profiles

The table below reports the different filter profiles the user can set based on the application scenario. Every application is different and results may vary from setup to setup. It is recommended to reprocess recorded data with different filter profiles in MT Manager to determine the best results in your specific application.^{#1}

Filter profiles for MTi-670(G) and MTi-680(G) (GNSS/INS)

| Name | GNSS | Barometer | Magnetometer | Description |
|-----------------------------------|------|-----------|--------------|--|
| General / General_RTK | • | • | | This filter profile is the default setting. The yaw output of the MTi is north-referenced ^{#3} (when GNSS data is available). Altitude (height) is determined by combining static pressure, GNSS altitude and accelerometers. The barometric baseline is referenced by GNSS, so during GNSS outages, accuracy of height measurements is maintained. |
| GeneralNoBaro / GeneralNoBaro_RTK | • | | | This filter profile is very similar to the general filter profile except for the use of the barometer. |
| GeneralMag / GeneralMag_RTK | • | • | • | This filter profile bases its yaw estimate mainly on magnetic heading and GNSS measurements. A homogenous magnetic environment and a proper magnetic calibration are essential for a good performance. This filter profile produces a north-referenced ^{#3} yaw output directly after powering up the MTi. |

GNSS Platform

u-blox GNSS receivers support different dynamic platform models in order to adjust the navigation engine to the expected application environment. The GNSS/INS products can be configured to communicate a desired platform model upon start-up. This enables the user to adjust the u-blox receiver platform to match the dynamics of the application. The setting influences the estimates of Position and Velocity and therefore it affects the behavior of the Xsens filter output.

The platform model can be configured through the Device Settings window in MT Manager (version 2021.4 and later) or using low-level communication by providing the GNSS Platform ID. For more details on the low-level commands used to set the GNSS Platform (*SetGnssReceiverSettings*), refer to the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document*. For more details on GNSS platform settings, refer to the *u-blox Receiver Description Manual*.

Alternatively, when interfacing with a GNSS receiver through NMEA communication, the received NMEA position data is used 'as is', independent of the GNSS platform setting.

Real-Time Kinematics

The MTi-680G supports centimeter-level position accuracy through RTK (Real-Time Kinematic), which uses correction messages from a base station with a known position. The RTK correction data must be supplied as RTCM3 messages, either via the dedicated RTCM input connector (see Functional description) or via the host interface as RTCM messages embedded in xbus (see XMID_FowardGnssData in the *MT Low-Level Communication Protocol Document*). In the latter case, the NTRIP client in MT Manager can be setup to provide the correction data. The MTi-680 supports centimeter-accurate position data from an external GNSS receiver. The method of providing correction messages to the external GNSS receiver is entirely up to the end user.

Data output

The MTi 600-series product variants can output many different data types at many different frequencies. Below is a summary of the most relevant data and maximum output data rates. A full overview is available in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

Output data rates

| Data Type | Max Output Data Rate |
|---|----------------------|
| Orientation data (Euler angles, Rotation Matrix, Quaternions) | 400Hz |
| Position, Velocity, Altitude | 400Hz |
| DeltaQ, DeltaV | 400Hz |
| Acceleration, Rate of Turn, Free Acceleration | 400Hz |
| Acceleration HR (High Rate) | 2000Hz |
| Rate of Turn HR (High Rate) | 1600Hz |

Xbus output

The Xbus protocol is Xsens' standard output protocol utilizing the MTDATA2 data message structure. This output provides a lot of flexibility and enables users to access all functionality of

the MTi product range. The Xbus output format is shared with all other MTi products in the Xsens portfolio, so switching between hardware platforms is very easy. More information is available in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

NMEA output

NMEA output is a string output mode which outputs data in the commonly used NMEA 0183 format. More information is available in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

CAN output

The CAN output is an industrial standard interface over which the MTi 600-series can output its data. More information on this output can be found in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation* and *Family Reference Manual*.

GNSS input

The MTi-670 and MTi-680 require data from an external GNSS receiver to provide a full GNSS/INS solution. This can be achieved by connecting a GNSS receiver that communicates with one of the following supported protocols:

- u-blox' UBX protocol
- NMEA sentences (officially supported with firmware version 1.6.0 and up)
- Septentrio's SBF protocol (beta support with firmware version 1.8.0 and up)
- Trimble's GSOF protocol (beta support with firmware version 1.8.0 and up)

The use of each of these supported protocols is discussed in more detail in the paragraphs below.

u-blox (UBX) input

When connecting a u-blox receiver (e.g. u-blox MAX-M8), the MTi will configure it correctly on start-up. No prior configuration of the u-blox receiver is required. It is however recommended to inform the MTi of what type of u-blox receiver is connected. This can be done using the Device Settings window in MT Manager (version 2021.4 and later), or using an Xbus message called SetGnssReceiverSettings, described in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*. The user can select one of the officially supported u-blox receiver series: MAX-M8 (default), NEO-M8 or ZED-F9.

NMEA input

Almost all GNSS receivers support the output of NMEA messages, which means that this functionality enables the use of virtually any external GNSS receiver. It is important to note that both the GNSS receiver and the MTi must be configured prior to connecting both systems to each other. The NMEA input mode can be enabled using the Device Settings window in MT Manager (version 2021.4 and later), or using an Xbus message called SetGnssReceiverSettings, described in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

The table below summarizes the settings needed to configure the MTi-670/680 to use the NMEA input mode. This will enable the MTi to use the GNSS data and provide the user with a full GNSS/INS solution. The MTi will also synchronize its internal clock with the UTC time that is present in the sentences.

Settings required to enable the NMEA input mode for the MTi-670/680

| Setting | Description |
|------------------------|--|
| Baudrate | Minimum 115200 bps |
| GNSS Message frequency | 4 Hz recommended/default, 10 Hz maximum |
| Talker ID | GN, GP or GL |
| Required messages | GGA, GSA, GST and RMC High precision coordinate formats such as GGALONG are also supported. |

An example of how to setup an external GNSS receiver using the NMEA protocol can be found on BASE.

Septentrio (SBF) input

Please note that both the GNSS receiver and the MTi must be configured prior to connecting both systems to each other. The Septentrio input mode can be enabled using the Device Settings window in MT Manager (version 2021.4 and later), or using an Xbus message called SetGnssReceiverSettings, described in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

The table below summarizes the settings needed to configure the MTi-670/680 to use the Septentrio input mode. This will enable the MTi to use the GNSS data and provide the user with a full GNSS/INS solution. The MTi will also synchronize its internal clock with the UTC time that is present in the sentences.

Settings required to enable the Septentrio input mode for the MTi-670/680

| Setting | Description |
|------------------------|--|
| Baudrate | Minimum 230400 bps |
| GNSS Message frequency | 5 Hz recommended/default, 10 Hz maximum |
| Required messages | ReceiverTime, PVTGeodetic, PosCovGeodetic, VelCovGeodetic, DOP, MeasEpoch, ChannelStatus |

Trimble (GSOF) input

Please note that both the GNSS receiver and the MTi must be configured prior to connecting both systems to each other. The Trimble input mode can be enabled using the Device Settings window in MT Manager (version 2021.4 and later), or using an Xbus message called SetGnssReceiverSettings, described in the *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation*.

The table below summarizes the settings needed to configure the MTi-670/680 to use the Trimble input mode. This will enable the MTi to use the GNSS data and provide the user with a full GNSS/INS solution. The MTi will also synchronize its internal clock with the UTC time that is present in the sentences.

Settings required to enable the Trimble input mode for the MTi-670/680

| Setting | Description |
|------------------------|---|
| Baudrate | Minimum 115200 bps |
| GNSS Message frequency | 5 Hz recommended/default, 10 Hz maximum |
| Required messages | Position Time [#01], Lat,Long,Ht [#02], Velocity [#08], DOP Info [#09], Position Sigma [#12], Current Time UTC [#16], Detail All SV [#34] |

Magnetic interference

Magnetic interference can be a major source of error for the heading accuracy of any AHRS, as an AHRS uses the magnetic field to reference the estimated orientation on the horizontal plane with respect to the (magnetic) North^{#3}. A severe and prolonged distortion in that magnetic field will cause the magnetic reference to be inaccurate. The MTi 600-series has several ways to cope with these distortions to minimize the effect on the estimated orientation, which are discussed in the sections below.

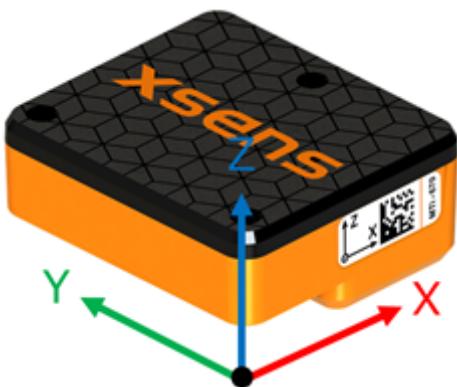
Magnetic Field Mapping (MFM)

When the distortion moves with the MTi (i.e. when a ferromagnetic object solidly moves with the MTi module), the MTi can be calibrated for this distortion. Examples are the cases where the MTi is attached to a car, aircraft, ship or other platforms that can distort the magnetic field. It also handles situations in which the sensor has become magnetized. These types of errors are usually referred to as soft and hard iron distortions. The Magnetic Field Mapping procedure compensates for both hard iron and soft iron distortions.

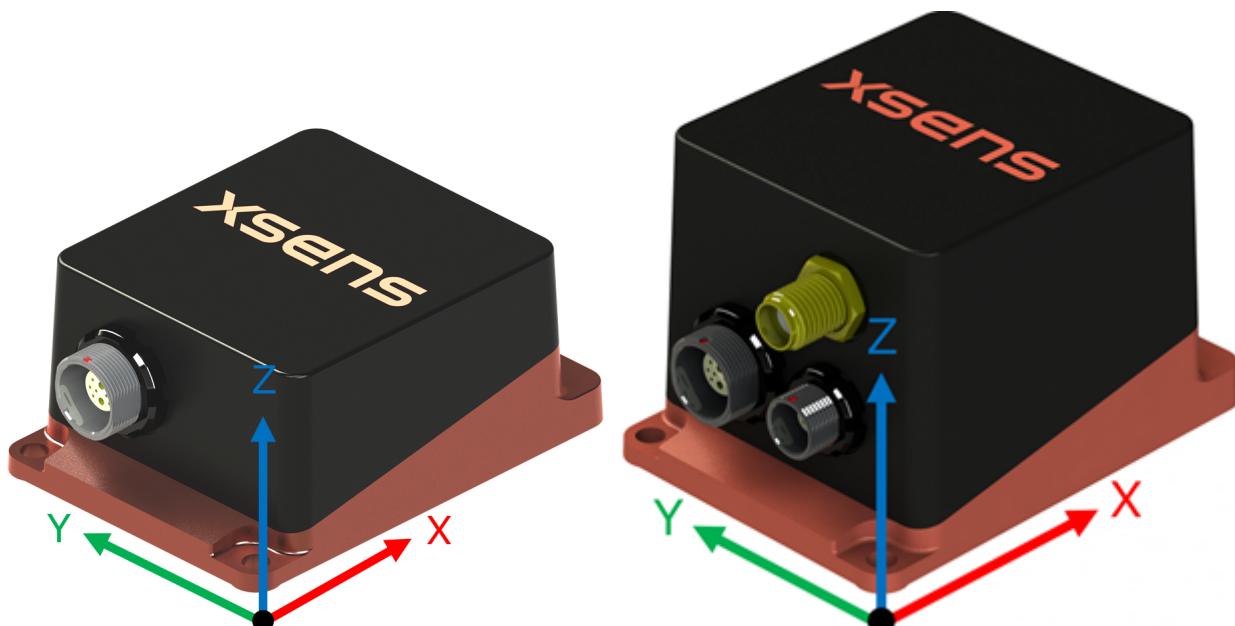
The magnetic field mapping (calibration) is performed by moving the MTi mounted on the object/platform that is causing the distortion. The results are processed on an external computer (Windows or Linux), and the updated magnetic field calibration values are written to the non-volatile memory of the MTi 600-series. The magnetic field mapping procedure is extensively documented in the *Magnetic Calibration Manual*.

Frames of reference

The MTi 600-series uses a right-handed coordinate system. The default sensor-fixed frame (S_{xyz}) is defined as shown in the figures below. The frame is also printed on the side of the module or the back side of robust trackers. For a more exact location of the sensor frame origin, refer to Design and Packaging. When the sensor is rigidly attached to another object or vehicle, it is possible to rotate the sensor-fixed frame S_{xyz} to an object coordinate frame (O_{xyz}).^{#5} The default local earth-fixed frame (L_{XYZ}) is East-North-Up (ENU). In addition, the MTi-6x0 has predefined output options for North-East-Down (NED) and North-West-Up (NWU). Specifically for the GNSS/INS models, the Local Tangent Plane (LTP) is a local linearization of the Ellipsoidal Coordinates (Latitude, Longitude, Altitude) in the WGS-84 Ellipsoid, based on the real time position data retrieved from the GNSS receiver. Since the MTi-620 and MTi-630(R) cannot receive real time positioning from a GNSS receiver, the user must set correct positional coordinates to allow the MTi-620 or MTi-630(R) to construct the reference frame, magnetic and gravity models.



Default sensor fixed coordinate system (S_{xyz}) for the MTi 600-series module



Default sensor coordinate system for the MTi-630R and MTi-680G

- [1] Refer to the BASE article: Recording a data file to be reprocessed in MT Manager.
- [2] The General filter profile is only recommended for users who are looking for similar behaviour to the previous generation Xsens products in the typical applications suggested in the table. Using the General filter profile is not recommended for new designed applications.
- [3] Note: Under default settings, Yaw (heading) equals 90 degrees when the X-axis of the MTi points North.
- [4] For more information on the capabilities of AHS, refer to the BASE article: AHS. Note that in the previous Xsens products, AHS was activated by means of a separate setting.
- [5] How to define a new object coordinate system can be found in the *MTi Family Reference Manual*.

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This chapter describes the synchronization functionalities of the MTi-600 series. In the remainder of this chapter, synchronization will be abbreviated as sync, synchronization input as SyncIn and synchronization output as SyncOut. A set of one or more synchronization options and their corresponding parameters are stored in a structure referred to as SyncSettings. The sync functionalities are in line with the other Xsens motion trackers, however, some minor differences exist because of the different architecture of the MTi-600.

The MTi-600 series has two input lines available for SyncIn, and one for SyncOut (see Functional description). It is not possible to configure a SyncIn line as SyncOut or vice versa.

On devices which employ an external GNSS receiver, a 1PPS signal can be gathered directly from the GNSS receiver. However, it is also possible to configure a 1 Hz output reference signal using the SyncOut functionalities. The output reference signal is synchronized with the 1PPS signal of the external GNSS receiver when using an MTi-670 or MTi-680, or the internal GNSS receiver when using an MTi-670G or MTi-680G.

Trigger signal

A trigger signal is expected to be a pulse wave. When using a SyncIn function the trigger is an input signal. When using a SyncOut function it is a output signal generated by the MTi. When configuring a sync function, various parameters can be set by the user to interpret/generate the

trigger signal. These parameters are reported in the table below.

Generic synchronization parameters

| Parameter | Description |
|--------------|--|
| Line | <p>Defines the physical line to be used for the sync function. Valid values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In1• In2• ReqData• Out1 <p>All SyncIn functions can be employed on both input lines. If a function has to be enabled on both SyncIn lines, the functions must be included twice in the configuration settings, i.e. once for each line. ReqData is specifically used for the Send Latest function.</p> |
| Polarity | Valid values: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rising edge: the trigger is sensitive to the rising edge of the pulse wave• Falling edge: the trigger is sensitive to the falling edge of the pulse wave• Falling & Rising edge: the trigger is sensitive to both edges |
| SkipFirst | Ignore the first "n" input triggers. |
| SkipFactor | Periodically skips every n input triggers. This skipping starts after the "n" SkipFirst pulses. |
| Trigger Once | If the Once option is set, the sync function is only triggered once and the following pulses are ignored. The Once feature is considered only after the SkipFirst count is reached. Its state is reset when the MTi enters a new Measurement mode. |
| Pulse width | Pulse duration in microseconds. |
| Delay | Delay in microseconds to react at the trigger event. |

Syncln

This chapter describes the functionality and behaviour of the SyncIn line. The SyncIn lines can be used to synchronize the sampling of data or data output of the MTi 600-series to an external device or clock by inputting a trigger signal through the SyncIn lines. See System and electrical specifications for the trigger signal requirements.

TriggerIndication function

With this function the user can input a trigger signal to mark the output data (e.g. orientation) with the trigger event. Upon receiving a trigger, this function will set the trigger indication status

bit (SyncIn Marker) of the Status Word to 1. Furthermore, the user can configure the MTi to output also a TriggerIndication message through the MtData2 stream. The advantage is that this message is timestamped with the trigger moment, so it has better accuracy than just the status flag.

SendLatest function

Enabling this function, the last measured/computed desired data available at the trigger instant is outputted by the MTi. The internal signal pipeline of the MTi works as usual, but the desired data is outputted only when a trigger is received.

The trigger can be sent either on a SyncIn line or by means of a software command (Line must be set to ReqData).

StartSampling function

When this function is enabled, the device will start outputting data after a SyncIn trigger has been received. It does not trigger every consequent sample, but it accurately starts outputting the first sample, after which the next samples will follow the selected output data rate. A skipFirst value can be set to ignore the first n pulses before considering a pulse as a trigger. Similarly, a delay parameter can be set to tune when to start the sampling after the trigger.

Clock Bias Estimation function

This function enables the user to synchronize the sampling clock of the MTi with an external reference signal. The internal clock of the MTi-600 has an accuracy of about 10 ppm. When a reference clock of better accuracy is available, it is possible to use this clock to improve the sampling accuracy of the MTi-600. Furthermore, it could be beneficial to have all devices in a setup to run at the same clock speed.

If the user does not have a reference clock that is better than 10 ppm, but it is still preferred to run multiple devices at the same clock speed, it is better to use the SyncOut line of the MTi-600 as a clock source for other devices.

On the MTi-670G/680G the internal clock is always referenced to the internal GNSS receiver. Therefore, on the MTi-670G/680G the clock bias estimation is not user-configurable. On the MTi-670 and MTi-680, the internal clock is by default referenced to the external GNSS receiver, but it is user-configurable (although not recommended).

1PPS Time-pulse function

When an MTi-670/680 is connected with an external GNSS receiver, the 1PPS signal of the receiver can be used as input to synchronize the MTi-670/680 with the external receiver (using the Clock Bias Estimation function). This function is enabled by default, and will configure a connected (u-blox) GNSS receiver to output a 1PPS signal. On the MTi-670G/680G, this function is always enabled (and not user configurable) with the time pulse from the internal GNSS receiver.

This function is not available for the MTi-610/MTi-620/MTi-630(R).

SyncOut

The MTi 600-series has one output synchronization function.

Interval Transition Measurement function

The *Interval Transition Measurement* function gives a sampling time indication letting the user to synchronize external applications with the same clock employed by the MTi-600 to output the data. It generates a SyncOut trigger based on the internal 400 Hz SDI sampling clock.

Combining multiple Sync functions

The following list of possible sync functions are available:

- ClockSync [in]
- TriggerIndication [in]
- SendLatest [in]
- StartSampling [in]
- Interval Transition Measurement [out]

Remarks on combining multiple Sync functions

| Function | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| ClockSync | If ClockSync is configured on a SyncIn line, no other function can be configured on this line at the same time. |
| TriggerIndication | Is a somewhat passive function in the sense that it does not change the state or timing of the system. It can therefore be freely combined with all other functions. It can also be configured on both SyncIn lines with different settings. |

| Function | Description |
|--------------------------|---|
| SendLatest/StartSampling | Only one of these functions can be active and only on one line. |
| SamplingIndication | Can be configured next to all possible SyncIn functions. |

System and electrical specifications

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Interface specifications

Communication interfaces

| Interface | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|-----------|-------------|------|-------|------|------|--------------------------------|
| CAN | f_{CAN} | 10.0 | 250.0 | 1000 | kbps | Host CAN Interface Baud Rate |
| RS232 | f_{RS232} | 4.8 | 115.2 | 1000 | kbps | Host RS232 Interface Baud Rate |
| UART[1] | f_{UART} | 4.8 | 115.2 | 2000 | kbps | Host UART Interface Baud Rate |

System specifications

System specifications of MTi 600-series modules

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-----------|--------|-----|------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| Size | Width | | 31.5 | | mm | |
| | Length | | 28.0 | | mm | |
| | Height | | 13.0 | | mm | |
| Weight | | | 8.9 | | gram | |
| IP-rating | | | IP51 | | | Connector facing down |
| | | | IP50 | | | Connector facing up |

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|------|-------|--|
| Temperature | Operating temperature | -40 | | +85 | °C | Ambient temperature, non-condensing |
| Power consumption | | 310 | 340 | 530 | mW | Depends on used interface and supplied voltage. 5V over UART is most power efficient |
| Timing accuracy | | | 10 | | ppm | Output clock accuracy of 1 ppm can be achieved with the MTi-670/680 with external GNSS module |
| MTBF GM | | | 40.000 | | hours | |
| MTBF GB | | | 360.000 | | hours | |
| Output data rate | | | 400 | 2000 | Hz | Data rates larger than 400 Hz available for RateOfTurnHR (1600 Hz) and AccelerationHR (2000 Hz) only |

System specifications of MTi-630R

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----|-------|------|------|--|
| Size | Width | | 40.9 | | mm | |
| | Length | | 56.5 | | mm | |
| | Height | | 24.75 | | mm | |
| Weight | | | 75 | | gram | |
| IP-rating | | | IP68 | | | 48 hours at 1 meter under water |
| Temperature | Operating temperature | -40 | | +85 | °C | Ambient temperature, non-condensing |
| Power consumption | | 620 | 720 | 1000 | mW | Depends on used interface and supplied voltage |

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----|-------|------|------|--|
| Size | Width | | 40.9 | | mm | |
| | Length | | 56.5 | | mm | |
| | Height | | 24.75 | | mm | |
| Weight | | | 75 | | gram | |
| IP-rating | | | IP68 | | | 48 hours at 1 meter under water |
| Temperature | Operating temperature | -40 | | +85 | °C | Ambient temperature, non-condensing |
| Power consumption | | 620 | 720 | 1000 | mW | Depends on used interface and supplied voltage |

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|------------------|--|--|-----|------|-----|--|
| Timing accuracy | | | 10 | | ppm | Output clock accuracy can be increased using ClockSync functionality |
| Output data rate | | | 400 | 2000 | Hz | Data rates larger than 400 Hz available for RateOfTurnHR (1600 Hz) and AccelerationHR (2000 Hz) only |

System specifications of MTi-670G/680G

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|--------|--------|-----|------|-----|------|---------------------------------|
| Size | Width | | 40.9 | | mm | |
| | Length | | 56.5 | | mm | 58.1 mm including SMA connector |
| | Height | | 36.8 | | mm | |
| Weight | | | 98 | | gram | |

| | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----|------|------|------|--|
| IP-rating | | | IP68 | | | 48 hours at 1 meter under water |
| Temperature | Operating temperature | -40 | | +85 | °C | Ambient temperature, non-condensing |
| Power consumption | | 620 | 720 | 1000 | mW | Depends on used interface and supplied voltage. |
| Timing accuracy | | | 1 | | ppm | |
| Output data rate | | | 400 | 2000 | Hz | Data rates larger than 400 Hz available for RateOfTurnHR (1600 Hz) and AccelerationHR (2000 Hz) only |

Electrical specifications

Supply voltage specifications

| Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|------|---------------------------|
| V_{IN} | 4.5 | 5 | 24 | V | Power input voltage |
| $V_{BCKP}[2]$ | 1.7 | 3.0 | 3.6 | V | GNSS backup input voltage |

I/O electrical specifications

| I/O interface | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|------|--|
| CAN | $V_{I(\text{DIFF})(R)}$ | -4.0 | | 0.5 | V | Recessive differential input voltage $-12V < V_{(\text{CANH}, \text{CANL})} < +12V$ |
| | $V_{I(\text{DIFF})(D)}$ | 0.9 | | 9.0 | V | Dominant differential input voltage $-12V < V_{(\text{CANH}, \text{CANL})} < +12V$ |
| | $V_{O(\text{DIFF})(R)}$ | -500 | 0 | 50 | mV | Recessive differential output voltage |
| | $V_{O(\text{DIFF})(D)}$ | 1.3 | 2.0 | 5.0 | V | Dominant differential output voltage |
| | $V_{O(L)(D)}$ | 0.5 | 1.5 | 2.25 | V | CAN_L dominant output voltage |
| | $V_{O(H)(D)}$ | 2.75 | 3.5 | 4.5 | V | CAN_H dominant output voltage |
| RS232[3] (GNSS/RTCM) | V_{IL} | -25 | | 0.6 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.4 | | +25 | V | High input voltage |
| | V_{OT} | ± 5 | ± 5.4 | | V | Driver Output Voltage swing |
| UART[4] | V_{IL} | 0 | | 0.88 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.29 | | 3.6 | V | High input voltage |
| | V_{OL} | 0 | | 0.44 | V | Low output voltage |
| | V_{OH} | 2.6 | | 3.3 | V | High output voltage |
| SYNC_IN1/ SYNC_IN2 | V_{IL} | -25 | | 0.6 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.4 | | +25 | V | High input voltage |
| SYNC_OUT | V_{OL} | 0 | | 0.44 | V | Low output voltage |
| | V_{OH} | 2.6 | | 3.3 | V | High output voltage |
| | I_o | | | ± 4 | mA | Output current |

Absolute maximum ratings

Absolute maximum ratings

| Parameter | | Min | Max | Unit | Comments |
|------------------------|-----------------|------|------------|------|---|
| Storage temperature | T_s | -40 | +90 | °C | |
| Operating temperature | T_o | -40 | +85 | °C | |
| Power input voltage[5] | V_{IN} | -0.3 | 30 | V | +/- 100 mV, max ripple 100 mVp-p |
| CAN DC[5] | V_{CAN_DC} | -58 | 58 | V | Common mode voltage of CAN_H and CAN_L with respect to ground |
| CAN Differential | V_{CAN_DIFF} | -17 | 17 | V | Differential voltage between CAN_H and CAN_L |
| RS232 inputs[5] | V_{RS232} | -25 | 25 | V | |
| SYNC inputs[5] | V_{SYNC} | -25 | 25 | V | |
| SYNC output | I_{SYNC} | | ± 20 | mA | SYNC output current |
| UART input[5] | V_{UART} | -0.3 | 3.6 | V | |
| Acceleration[6] | | | 10,000 | g | Any axis, unpowered, for 0.2 ms |
| ESD protection | | | ± 8000 | V | Human body model |

Stresses beyond those listed under “Absolute Maximum Ratings” may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability. Particular attention must be paid handling the device. Torques on the connector of the MTi 600-series must be avoided at all times.

[1] Not available for robust trackers (MTi-630R/670G/680G).

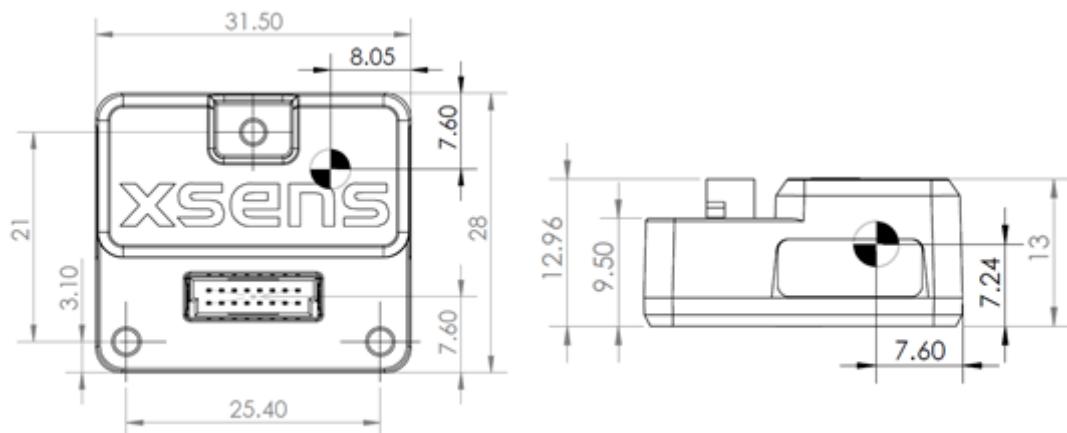
- [2] Only available for MTi-670G/680G.
- [3] Also applies to the GNSS (MTi-670/680) and RTCM (MTi-680G) ports.
- [4] Not available for robust trackers (MTi-630R/670G/680G).
- [5] All voltages with respect to GND.
- [6] This is a mechanical shock (g) sensitive device. Proper handling is required to prevent damage to the part.

Design and packaging

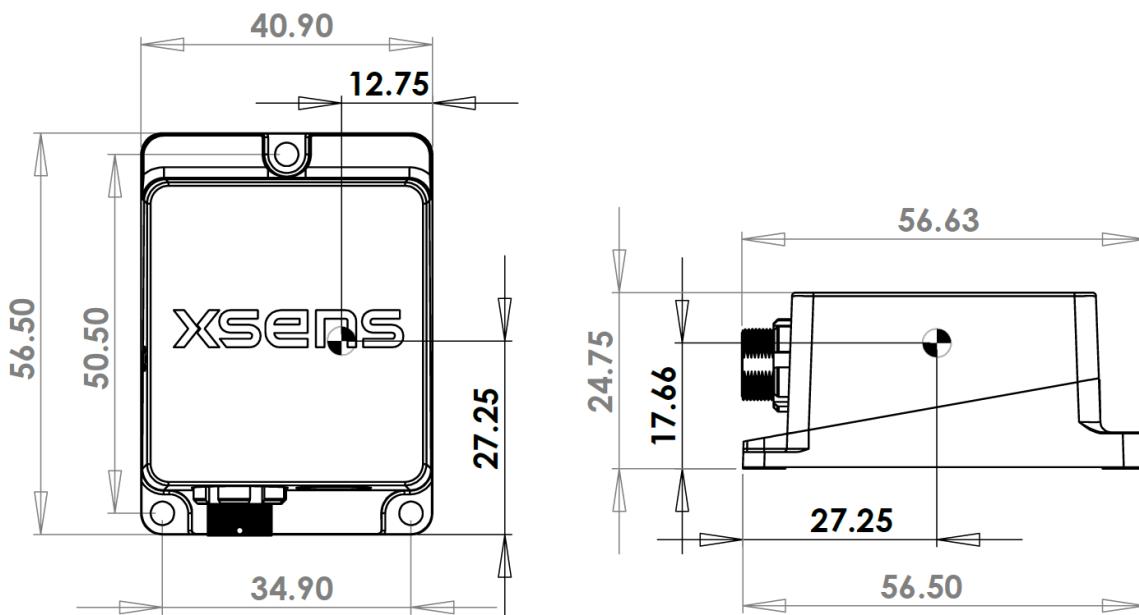
- Design and packaging
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 - MTi 600-series robust trackers

Design

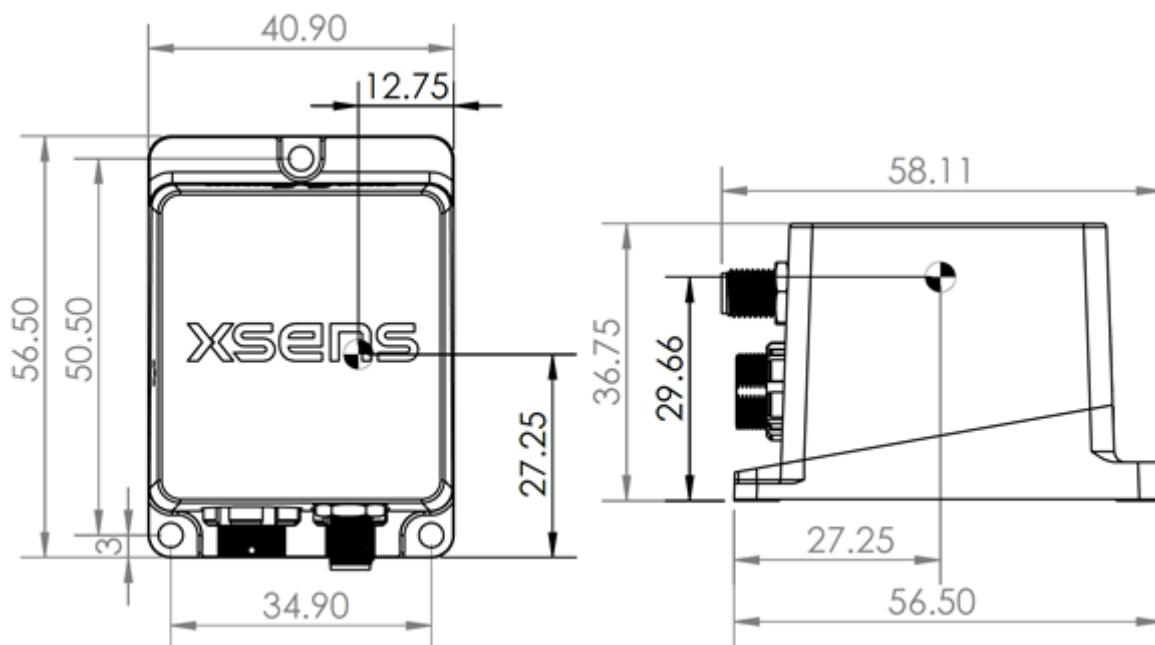
The figures shows the dimensions of the MTi-600 module and robust trackers together with the origin of measurements (located by the  symbol). More information about the mounting options and recommended mating/mounting parts can be found in the *MTi 600-series Hardware Integration Manual*.



Location origin of measurements MTi-600 module (dimensions in mm)



Location origin of measurements MTi-630R (dimensions in mm)

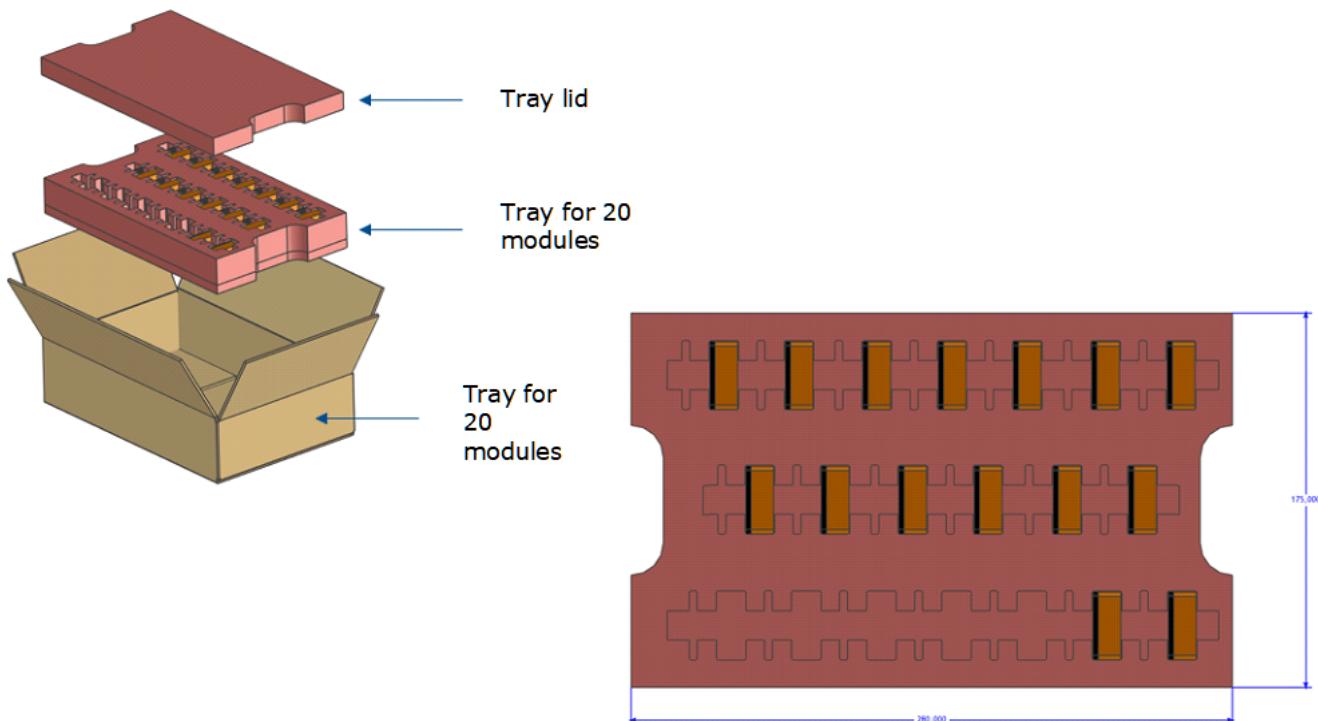


Location origin of measurements MTi-670G/680G (dimensions in mm)

Packaging information

MTi 600-series modules

The MTi 600-series module packaging boxes contain from 5 up to 20 modules.



| Box Dimensions (mm) | | | Box packaging information | |
|---------------------|-------|--------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Length | Width | Height | Qty/Tray MOQ 5 | Qty/Box MOQ 5 |
| 285 | 185 | 75 | 5-20 units | 5-20 units |

NOTES:

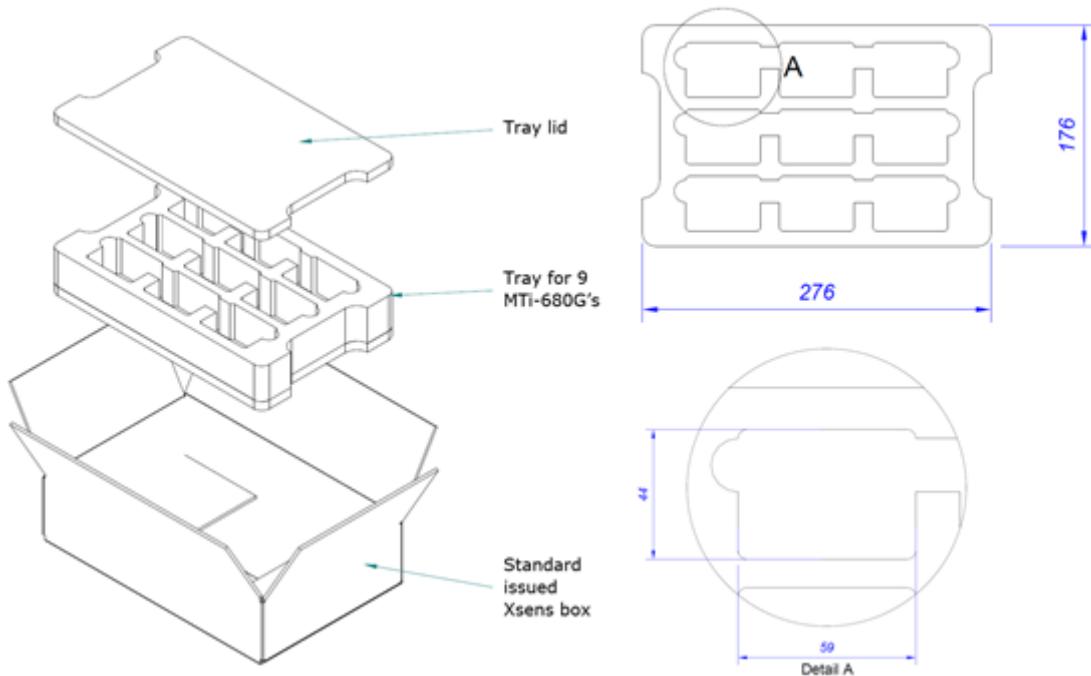
- All dimensions are in millimeters.
- Pictured tray and box representative only, actual tray may look different.

CONTENT:

- 5 to 20 modules per box.
- Calibration certificate.

MTi 600-series robust trackers

The MTi-630R/670G/680G packaging boxes contain from 1 up to 9 trackers.



| Box Dimensions (mm) | | | Box packaging information | |
|---------------------|-------|--------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Length | Width | Height | Qty/Tray MOQ 1 | Qty/Box MOQ 1 |
| 285 | 185 | 75 | 1-9 units | 1-9 units |

NOTES:

- All dimensions are in millimeters.
- Pictured tray and box representative only, actual tray may look different.

CONTENT:

- 1 to 9 trackers per box.
- Calibration certificate.

Declaration of conformity

- Declaration of conformity
 - EU Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 module
 - EU Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 rugged
 - FCC Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 module
 - FCC Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 rugged
 - Reach Declaration

EU Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 module

EU Declaration of Conformity

Applicable objects:

MTi-610¹
MTi-620¹
MTi-630¹
MTi-670¹
MTi-6##-DK

Manufacturer:

Xsens Technologies B.V.
Pantheon 6a
7521 PR ENSCHEDE
THE NETHERLANDS

This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.

The objects of the declaration described above are in conformity with the relevant Union harmonization legislation, based on the tested mode of operation(s), the applicable performance criteria, and specified acceptance criteria:

| Short name | Directive |
|---|------------|
| Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) | 2014/30/EU |
| Restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances (RoHS) | 2011/65/EU |

Relevant harmonized standards used:

| Standard description | Standard | Result |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------|
| Emission | EN 61326-1 (2013), class B | Passed |
| Immunity | EN 61326-1 (2013), Industrial | Passed |
| Radiated emission up to 1 GHz (SAC) | EN 55011 (2009) + A1 (2010) | Passed |
| Radiated immunity | EN-IEC 61000-4-3 (2006) + A1 (2008) + A2 (2010) | Passed |
| Power Frequency Magnetic field | EN-IEC 61000-4-8 (2010) | Passed |

Signed for and on behalf of:

Enschede 2019 August, 28

Igor Ikkink, System Solutions Director

¹ When pre-mounted on the MTi-6##-DK

EU Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 rugged

EU Declaration of Conformity

Applicable objects MTi 600-series Rugged:
MTi-610R
MTi-620R
MTi-630R
MTi-680G
MTi-6##R
MTi-6##G
MTi-6##R-SK
MTi-6##G-SK

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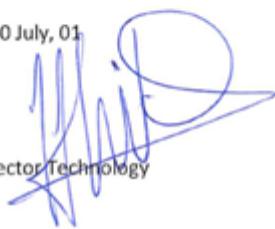
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FCC Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 module

FCC Declaration of Conformity

Applicable objects:

MTi-610¹
MTi-620¹
MTi-630¹
MTi-670¹
MTi-6##-DK

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The objects of the declaration described above is in conformity with the relevant FCC regulations, based on the tested mode of operation(s), the applicable performance criteria, and specified acceptance criteria

| Object classification | Directive |
|---|-----------|
| Computers and other digital devices, unintentional radiator | 47 CFR 15 |

Relevant standards used:

| Test description | Standard | Result |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------|
| Emission | 47 CFR 15 & ICES-003 (Issue 6), class B | Passed |
| Radiated emission up to 1 GHz (SAC) | ANSI C63.4 (2014) | Passed |
| Radiated emission above 1 GHz (FAC) | ANSI C63.4 (2014) | Passed |

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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¹ When pre-mounted on the MTi-6##-DK

FCC Declaration of Conformity MTi-600 rugged

FCC Declaration of Conformity

Applicable objects:

MTI-610R
MTI-620R
MTI-630R
MTI-680G
MTI-6##R
MTI-6##G
MTI-6##R-SK
MTI-6##G-SK

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| Test description | Standard | Result |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Emission | 47 CFR 15 & ICES-003, class B | Pass |
| Radiated emission up to 1 GHz (SAC) | ANSI C63.4 (2014) | Pass |
| Radiated emission above 1 GHz (FAC) | ANSI C63.4 (2014) | Pass |

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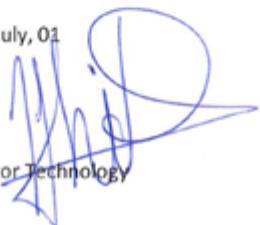
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Reach Declaration

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Date: August 2020

According to the definition in Article (3) of the REACH Regulation, Xsens is a producer of articles and consequently a downstream user. Therefore, we are not subject to the obligation to register chemicals.

Xsens affirms that it follows the REACH-Regulation updates and it compares these updates with the substance information on hand. The expansion of the Candidate List and the inclusion of substances in the Annex XIV of REACH receives special attention.

We hereby confirm that the products manufactured by Xsens do not contain substances listed in Annex XIV in concentrations exceeding the permitted limiting value of 0.1%. *

This statement is based on our current knowledge. We cannot issue a warranty or assume liability for factors that lie outside the state of our knowledge and control.

Xsens Technologies B.V.



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Jeroen Weijts

Sr. Operations Manager

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DK User Manual

General information

- General information
 - Package information
 - Ordering information

This document provides information on the contents and usage of the MTi 600-series Development/Starter Kit. The MTi 600-series Development Kit (MTi-600-DEV) enables users to evaluate features of the MTi-600 module. In addition to the MTi-600 interfaces, this Development Kit includes a USB and RS422 interface. The MTi 600-series Starter Kit contains all cables and accessories that are required to get started with a robust MTi 600-series tracker. In addition to the MTi-600 interfaces, this Starter Kit includes an RS232 to USB converter dongle.

The *MTi 600-series Datasheet* provides information on the usage and technical details of the MTi 600-series. The MTi 600-series module (MTi-600) is a fully functional, self-contained module that is easy to design-in. The MTi-600 module can be connected to a host through RS232, CAN or UART interfaces, or through USB using the UART to USB converter (included in the MTi 600-series Development Kit). The robust MTi 600-series tracker supports an RS232 and CAN interface, as well as USB using the Starter Kit's RS232 to USB converter dongle.

The *MTi Family Reference Manual* supplements this document. It reports generic information on the MTi 1-series and MTi 600-series, such as output definitions, algorithm details and installation tips.

The *MTi 600-series Hardware Integration Manual* supplements this document. In this document, notes on typical application scenarios, printed circuit board (PCB) layout, origin of measurement reference system, stress related considerations, reference designs and handling information can be found.

The *MT Low Level Communication Protocol* document provides a complete reference for the protocols used to communicate with Xsens Motion Trackers on low-level basis. The MT Low Level Communication Protocol document also describes the synchronization messages and settings in detail.

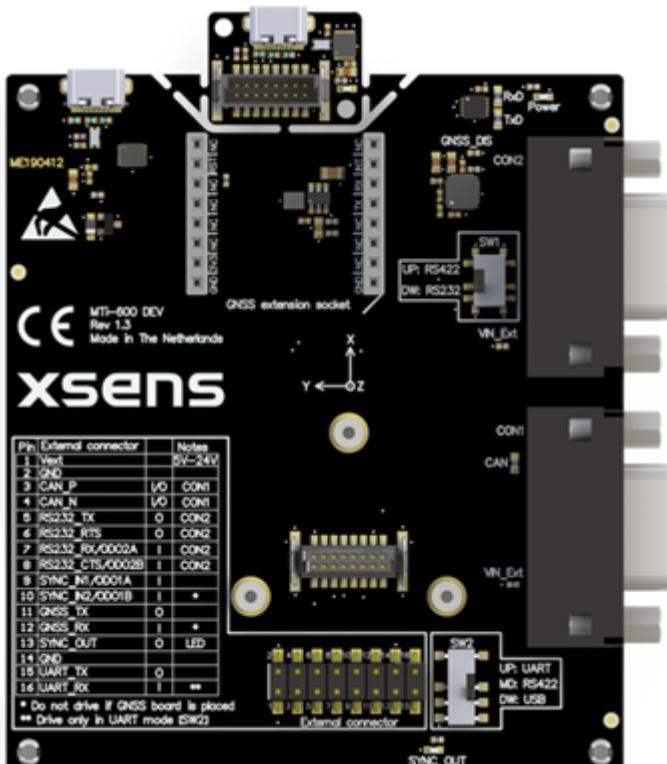
The table below summarizes all available official documents for the Xsens MTi product line.

MTi product documentation overview

| MTi 1-series | MTi 600-series | MTi 10/100-series |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| MTi Family Reference Manual | | MTi User Manual |
| MTi 1-series Datasheet | MTi 600-series Datasheet | |
| MTi 1-series DK User Manual | MTi 600-series DK User Manual | |
| MTi 1-series HW Integration Manual | MTi 600-series HW Integration Manual | |
| | MT CAN protocol Documentation | |
| MT Manager Manual | | |
| Magnetic Calibration Manual | | |
| MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation | | |
| Firmware Updater User Manual | | |

Package information

Package contents for MTi 600-series Development Kit

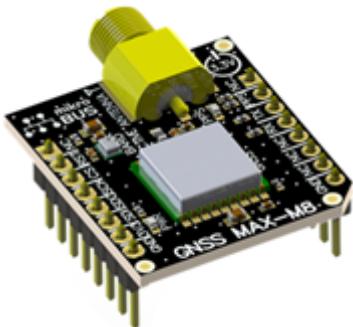
| Component | Name |
|---|---|
|  | MTi-600 Development Board (MTi-600-DEV) |



MTi 600-series module
(MTi-630, MTi-670, MTi-680)



3x M2 x 12 mm brass screws
(MTi-600-MP)



GNSS daughter card #1
(MTI-DK-GNSS)



GNSS RTK daughter card #2
(MTI-DK-RTK)

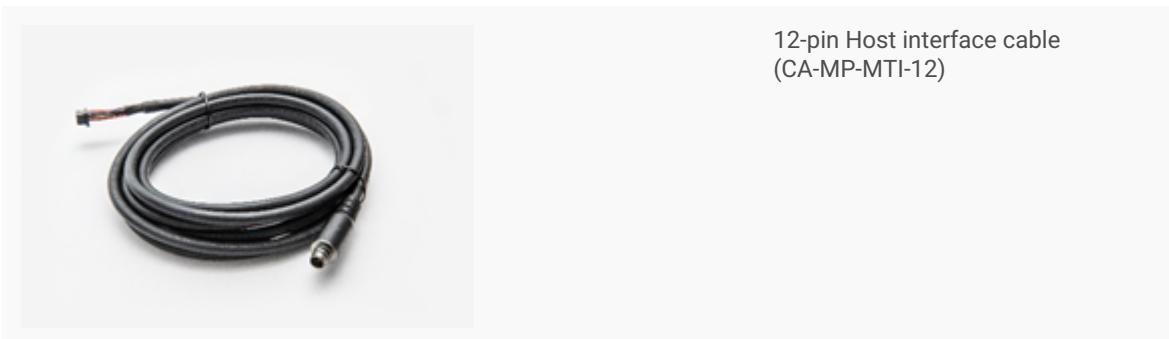
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|  | GNSS antenna #1 (ANT-MULTI) |
|  | GNSS antenna #2 (ANT-GNSS-RTK) |
|  | Micro USB cable (CA-USB-MTW) |
|  | Ribbon cable (CA-MTI-FLAT) |

Package contents for MTi-630R Starter Kit

| Component | Name |
|---|-----------------------------|
|  | MTi-630R AHRS (MTi-630R) |



RS232 converter
(CA-USB-CONV)



12-pin Host interface cable
(CA-MP-MTI-12)

Package contents for MTi-670G/680G Starter Kit

| Component | Name |
|---|--|
| A black rectangular GNSS/INS unit with a red base plate. It features two circular ports on the front: a yellow one on top and a black one below it, both secured with a lock. | MTi-670G GNSS/INS (MTi-670G) <u>or</u> MTi-680G RTK GNSS/INS (MTi-680G) |
| A black rectangular USB-to-serial converter device with a standard USB-A port on one end and a smaller serial port on the other. | RS232 converter (CA-USB-CONV) |



Ordering information

Ordering information for MTi 600-series Development Kit

| Kit | Description | Package contents | Packing Method |
|---------------|--|--|----------------|
| MTi-630-DK #4 | Development Kit for MTi-630 AHRS | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MTi 600-series Development Board (incl. USB to UART converter)• MTi-630 AHRS module• 3x M2 x 12 mm brass screws• Ribbon cable | Single unit |
| MTi-670-DK | Development Kit for MTi-670 (GNSS/INS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MTi 600-series Development Board (incl. USB to UART converter)• MTi-670 GNSS/INS module• 3x M2 x 12 mm brass screws• GNSS daughter card• GNSS antenna• Ribbon cable | Single unit |

| | | | |
|-------------|--|---|-------------|
| MTi-680-DK | Development Kit for MTi-680 (RTK GNSS/INS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTi 600-series Development Board (incl. USB to UART converter) • MTi-680 RTK GNSS/INS module • 3x M2 x 12 mm brass screws • GNSS RTK daughter card • GNSS antenna • Ribbon cable | Single Unit |
| MTi-630R-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-630R (AHRS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTi-630R AHRS • RS232-USB converter • 12-pin Host Interface cable | Single unit |
| MTi-670G-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-670G (GNSS/INS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTi-670G GNSS/INS • RS232-USB converter • 12-pin Host Interface cable • 4-pin RTCM cable • GNSS antenna | Single unit |
| MTi-680G-SK | Starter Kit for MTi-680G (RTK GNSS/INS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTi-680G RTK GNSS/INS • RS232-USB converter • 12-pin Host Interface cable • 4-pin RTCM cable • GNSS antenna | Single unit |

[1] Only with MTi-670-DK

[2] Only with MTi-680-DK

[3] Only with MTi-680G-SK

[4] Development Kits for the MTi-610-IMU and MTi-620-VRU are not available. Instead, the MTi-630-DK can be used for testing purposes as it covers all functionality of the MTi-610 IMU and MTi-620 VRU.

Introduction

- Introduction
 - Software and documentation
 - Programming examples

Software and documentation

The MTi-600 series Development Kit and Starter Kit are supported by the MT Software Suite, which includes the following software components:

- MT Manager
- Magnetic Field Mapper
- MT SDK including programming examples and documentation

Additionally, the latest firmware for the MTi-6x0 can be downloaded and updated using the Firmware Updater which is separately available.

All software components can be downloaded from the Xsens website – www.xsens.com.

Programming examples

Inside the MT SDK folder of the MT Software Suite, programming examples can be found for various programming languages, including C++, C#, Python and Matlab. A ROS node is also available. These examples are based on the (open source) Xsens Device API (XDA). For more information and a complete overview, refer to this article.

Getting Started

- Getting Started
 - Setting up the Development Kit
 - Installing MT Software Suite
 - Displaying data in MT Manager
 - Configuring the MTi 600-series

Setting up the Development Kit

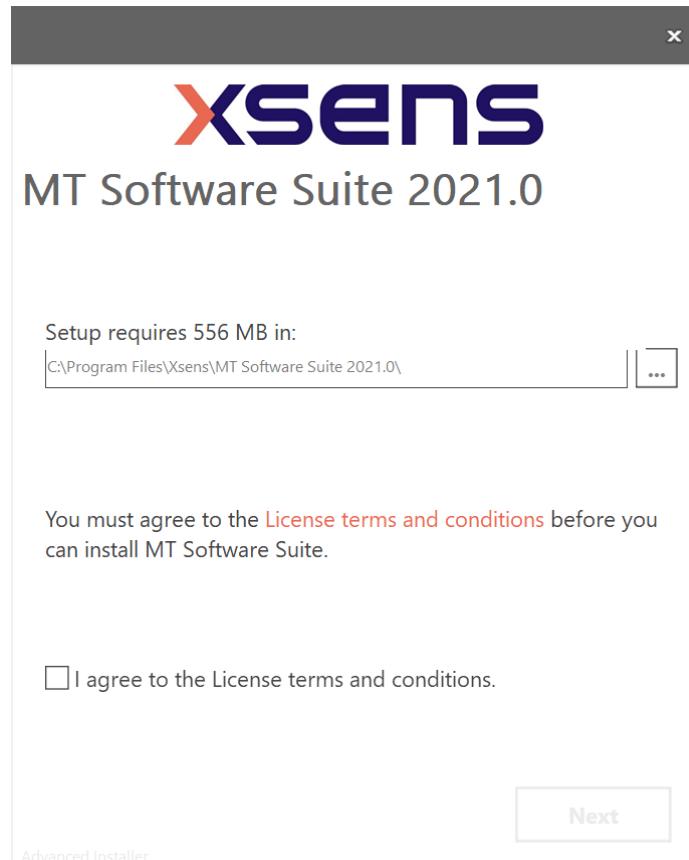
Before testing the MTi-600 Development Kit, the MTi-600 needs to be installed onto the MTi-600 DEV. Place the MTi-600 onto the socket between the spacers. Secure the MTi-600 by screwing the three M2 brass screws in the spacers. Ensure that switch SW2 is set to DW: USB.

For the MTi-670-DK and MTi-680-DK the GNSS daughter card is already installed on the MTi-600 DEV. To use the GNSS receiver, the included GNSS antenna needs to be connected to the SMA connector of the GNSS daughter card.

Installing MT Software Suite

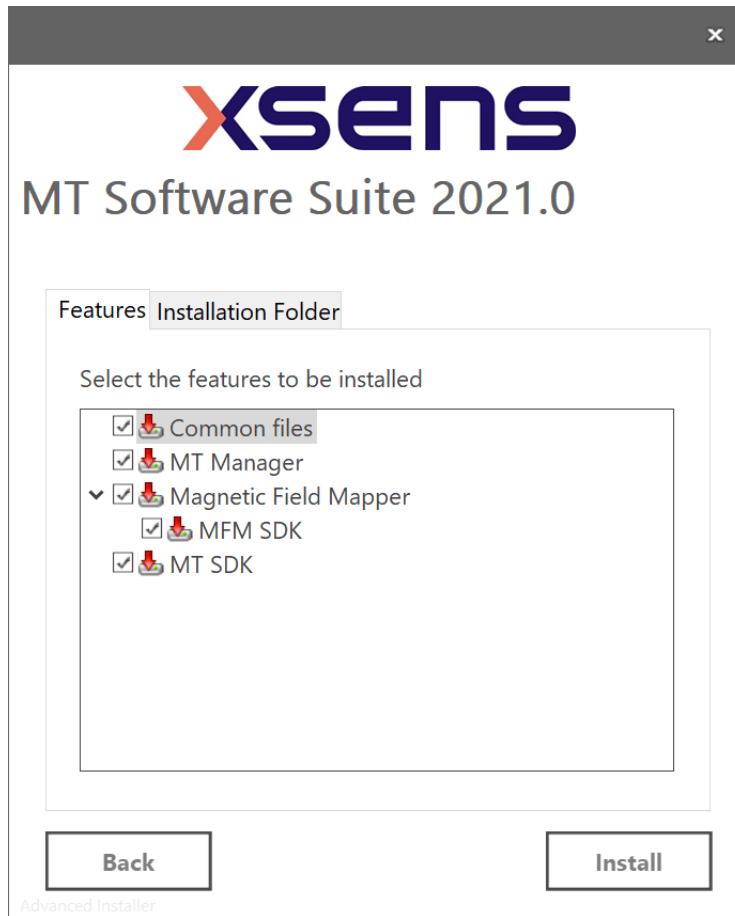
The MT Software Suite is available from the Xsens website (www.xsens.com/mt-software-suite).

The installation procedure consists of a set of several installers and starts with the GUI as shown below.



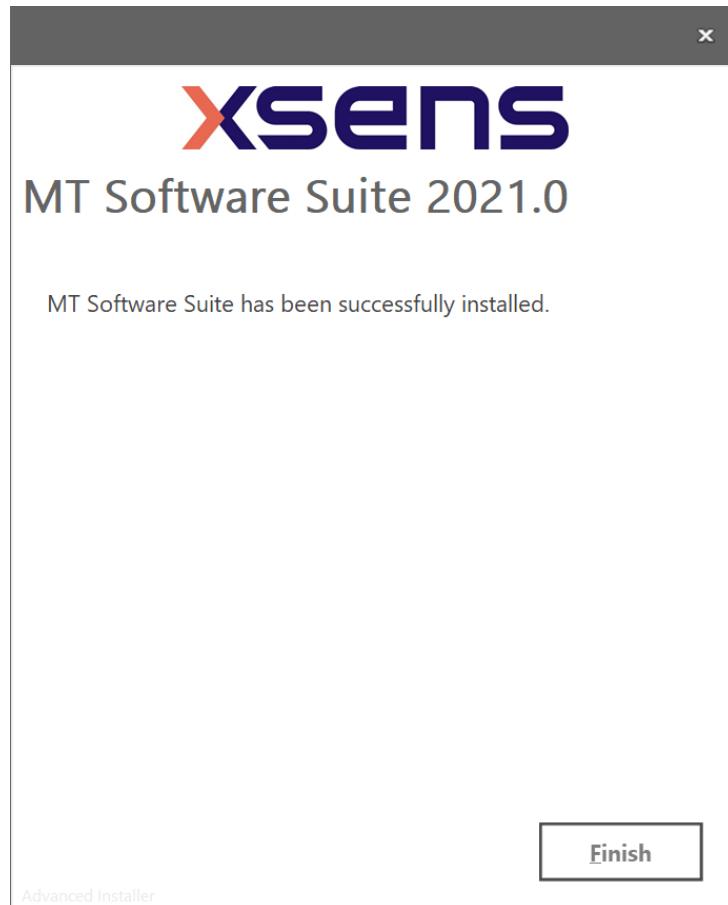
Start up screen for the MT Software Suite installer

It is possible to choose the components that you wish to install:



Software components installation

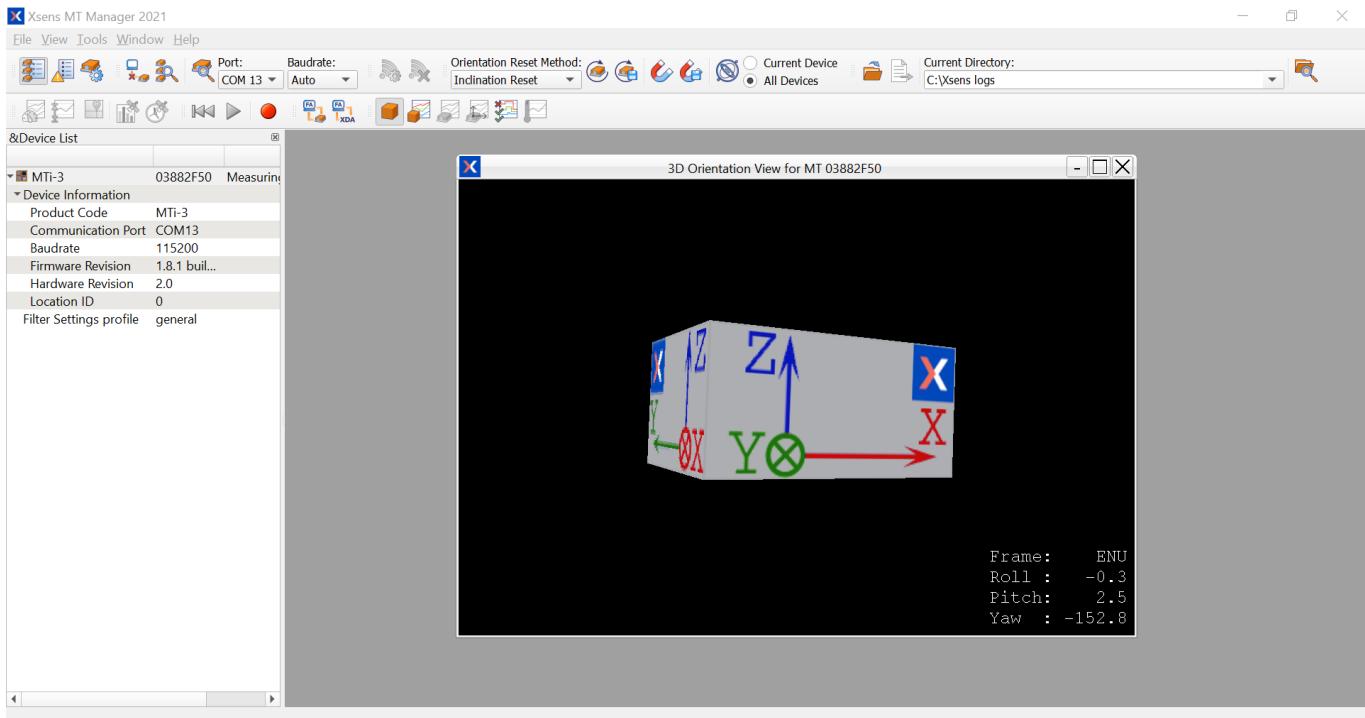
When you cancel the installation of a particular component, the installer will continue with the next component. Make sure to accept the End-User License agreement and Software License Agreements, and then wait for the successful installation screen to appear as shown below.



Successful installation screen

Displaying data in MT Manager

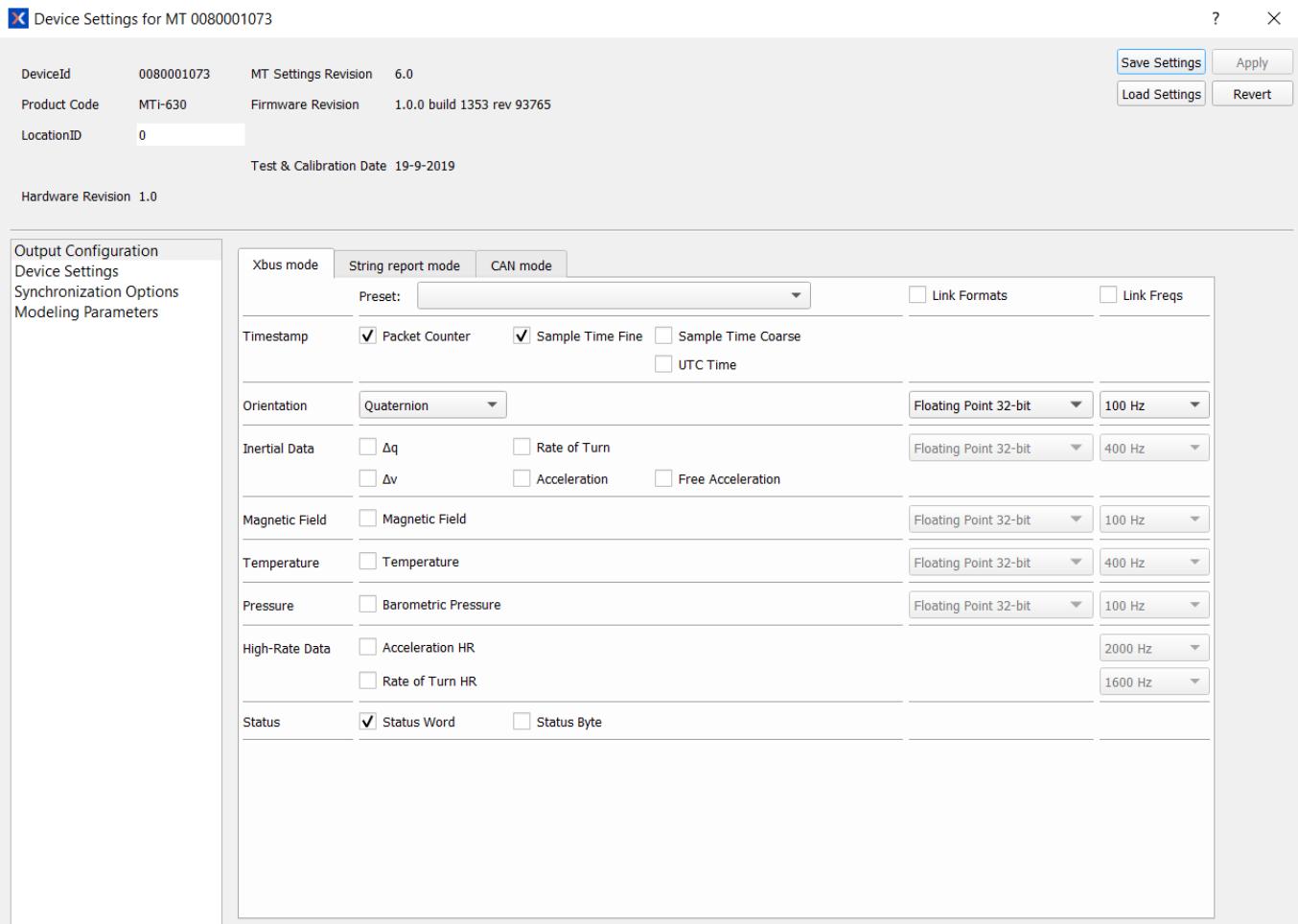
When the MTi 600-series Development Board or standalone tracker is connected in MT Manager, the device description is shown in the “Device List” on the left side of the screen (see below figure). To see a real time 3D visualization of the orientation of the MTi, click the 3D View icon . The inertial data , orientation data in Euler angles , and the status data can be visualized by clicking their respective icons. In order to open these windows, the corresponding data outputs of the MTi need to be configured. Otherwise, the window icons will be grey.



MT Manager overview

Configuring the MTi 600-series

The MTi 600-series can be directly configured by means of MT Manager. Click the Device Settings button to open the Output Configuration dialog.



Output configuration dialog in MT Manager using an MTi-630

By default, the output of the MTi-600 is set to the ‘Onboard Processing’ preset. Click “Inertial Data” ($\Delta q/\Delta v$ or Rate of Turn/Acceleration) and “Magnetic Field” to be able to show this data in MT Manager.

With MT Manager, it is possible to record data and export that data for use in other programs, set alignment matrices, configure synchronization options and to review the test and calibration report. More information on the functions and features can be found in the *MT Manager User Manual*.

Development board

- Development board
 - Overview
 - External Connector
 - Power
 - Host connections
 - USB
 - CAN
 - RS232
 - RS422
 - UART
 - External GNSS extension socket and daughter card (MTi-670/680 DK only)
 - Electrical specifications
 - Absolute maximum ratings

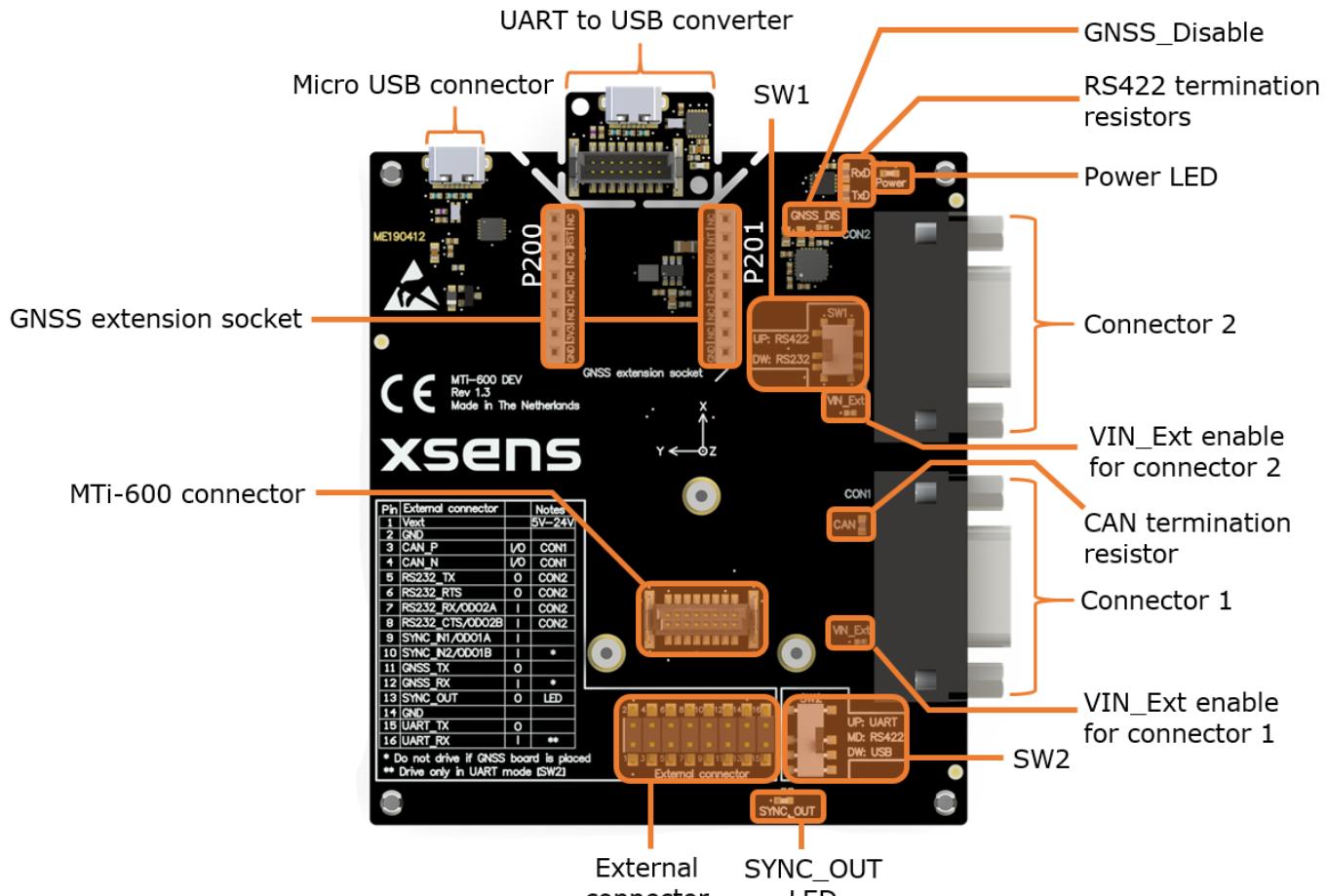
The MTi 600-series Development Board (MTi-600 DEV) exposes the pins of the MTi-600 on the *External connector*, a 2.54 mm pitch header, making it easier for the user to test all the features and the peripherals offered by the MTi-600. Next to that, the MTi-600 DEV has a micro USB connector and two *DSUB9* connectors for testing different communication protocols. It also includes a mikroBUS™ compatible *GNSS extension socket* to connect a GNSS module for the MTi-670-DK and MTi-680-DK. This chapter discusses in more detail the connections and peripherals available on the MTi-600 DEV.

Overview

The MTi-600 DEV has the following connections as shown in the figure below:

- *External connector*.
- Main connector for the MTi-600.
- *DSUB9* female connector 1 for CAN interface.
- *DSUB9* female connector 2 for RS232 or RS422 interface.
- *Micro USB connector*.
- Peripheral selection switches (*SW1 & SW2*).

- GNSS extension socket (P200 and P201 female sockets).
- Zero-Ohm resistor positions for disabling the GNSS UART and enabling VIN_Ext.
- 120-Ohm termination resistors for CAN and RS422.
- UART to USB breakout board.



MTi 600-series Development Board overview with connector designators

External Connector

The External Connector makes all of the MTi-600 pins available on a 2.54 mm pitch header. The pin numbering is an exact copy of the MTi-600 pinning itself. All pins have a direct connection to the MTi-600 except for pin 1 (Vext). Pin 1 is connected through a diode and can only be used to power the MTi-600 (not for monitoring). The pinning can be seen in the following table.

Pin descriptions of External Connector

| Pin | Name | I/O | Description |
|-----|------|-----|-------------|
| 1 | Vext | PWR | Power input |
| 2 | GND | PWR | Ground |

| | | | |
|----|-----------|-----|---|
| 3 | CAN_H | I/O | CAN bus differential low side |
| 4 | CAN_L | I/O | CAN bus differential high side |
| 5 | RS232_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 6 | RS232_RTS | O | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 7 | RS232_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 8 | RS232_CTS | I | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 9 | SYNC_IN1 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 10 | SYNC_IN2 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 11 | GNSS_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to GNSS module |
| 12 | GNSS_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from GNSS module |
| 13 | SYNC_OUT | O | Configurable synchronization output |
| 14 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 15 | UART_TxD | O | UART transmitter output |
| 16 | UART_RxD | I | UART receiver input |

Power

The MTi-600-DK can be supplied by USB or through the External Connector. In case the External Connector is used to power the board, the USB power will be disconnected from the MTi-600. Additionally, pin 9 of both DSUB9 connectors can be connected directly to pin 1 (Vext) of the External connector by placing the corresponding zero-Ohm resistor.

The DSUB9 VIN_Ext pins are directly connected to pin 1 of the External connector when the zero-Ohms resistors are placed. Do not supply power to more than one of these pins at the same time!

Host connections

USB

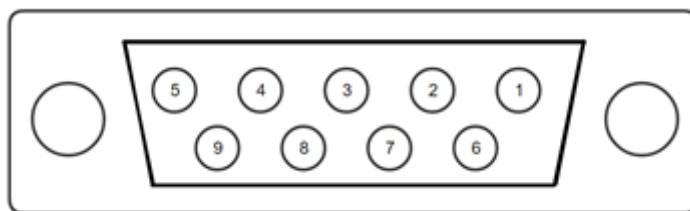
The micro USB port on the main board can be used to connect the MTi-600 to a host though the included micro USB cable. The USB device requires the drivers that are automatically included when downloading the MT Software Suite. The following table shows the required switch configuration for this connection.

Switch configuration USB

| Switch | Position |
|--------|----------------|
| SW1 | - |
| SW2 | Down (default) |

CAN

Connector 1 can be used to connect a CAN bus to the MTi-600 with a DSUB9 connector. The table below shows the pinning of this connector. The DSUB9 connector connects directly to the MTi-600 without relying on any switch. The CAN bus interface includes a 120 Ohm termination resistor on the MTi-600 DEV.



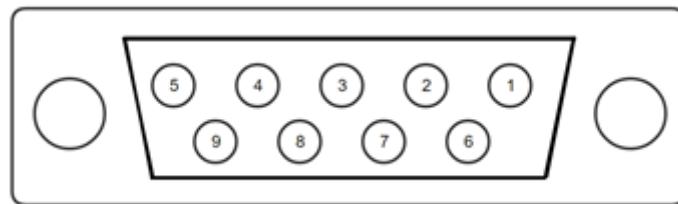
Pin out of DSUB9 connector CAN

DSUB9 connector 1 pinning for CAN

| Pin | Name | Description |
|-----|---------|---|
| 2 | CAN_L | CAN bus differential low side |
| 3 | GND | Ground |
| 5 | GND | Ground |
| 7 | CAN_H | CAN bus differential high side |
| 9 | VIN_Ext | Supply input (requires zero-Ohm resistor) |

RS232

Switch SW1 needs to be set in the downward position to enable the RS232 connections on DSUB9 connector 2. The table below shows the pinning of DSUB9 connector 2 if the RS232 interface is enabled.



Pin out of DSUB9 connector RS232

DSUB9 connector 2 pinning for RS232

| Pin | Name | Description |
|-----|-----------|---|
| 2 | RS232_TxD | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 3 | RS232_RxD | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 5 | GND | Ground |
| 7 | RS232_CTS | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 8 | RS232_RTS | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 9 | VIN_Ext | Supply input (requires zero-Ohm resistor) |

Switch configuration for enabling RS232

| Switch | Position |
|--------|----------------|
| SW1 | Down (default) |
| SW2 | - |

RS422

To activate the RS422 interface, switch SW1 should be in the upward position and switch SW2 in the middle position. The table below shows the pinning of DSUB9 connector 2 if the RS422 connections are enabled. The RS422 interface includes a 120 Ohm termination resistor on both the RxD and TxD lines.

Connector 2 pinning for RS422

| Pin | Name | Description |
|-----|------------|---|
| 1 | RS422_RxD- | RS422 negative receiver input from host |
| 2 | RS422_RxD+ | RS422 positive receiver input from host |
| 3 | RS422_TxD+ | RS422 positive transmitter output to host |

| | | |
|---|------------|---|
| 4 | RS422_TxD- | RS422 negative transmitter output to host |
| 5 | GND | Ground |
| 9 | VIN_Ext | Supply input (requires zero-Ohm resistor) |

Switch configuration for enabling RS422

| Switch | Position |
|--------|----------|
| SW1 | Up |
| SW2 | Mid |

UART

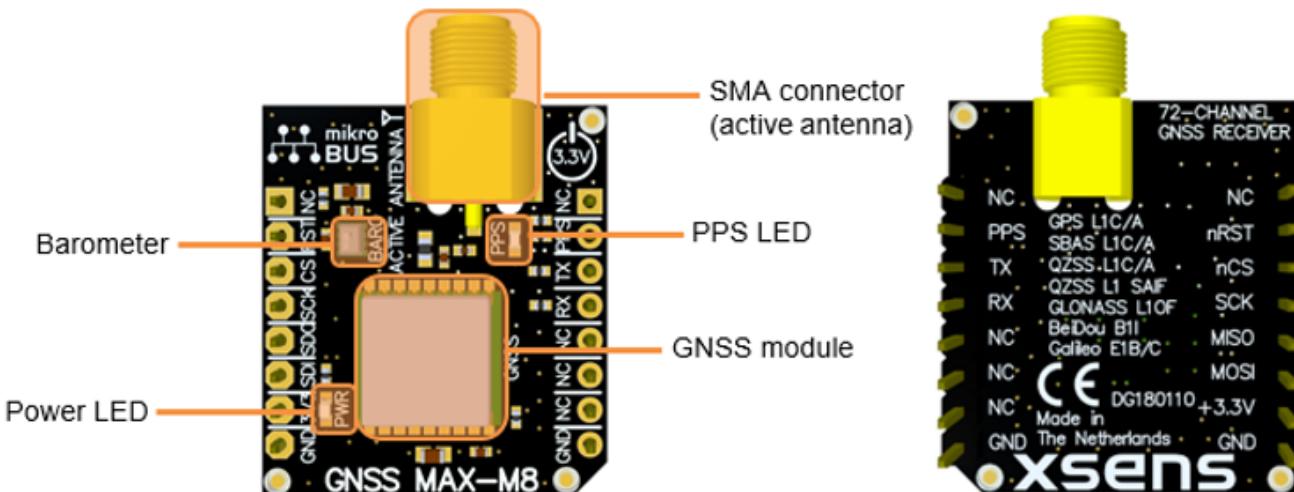
To be able to use the UART pins on the External Connector, switch SW2 needs to be set in the upward position. This will ensure that the UART_RxD is not controlled by any of the transceivers of the MTi-600 DEV. The UART_TxD will still transmit over USB and RS422 (when enabled), allowing to monitor the MTi-600 output. The UART pinning on the External Connector can be seen in table #Pin descriptions of External Connector.

Switch configuration for enabling UART

| Switch | Position |
|--------|----------|
| SW1 | - |
| SW2 | Up |

External GNSS extension socket and daughter card (MTi-670/680 DK only)

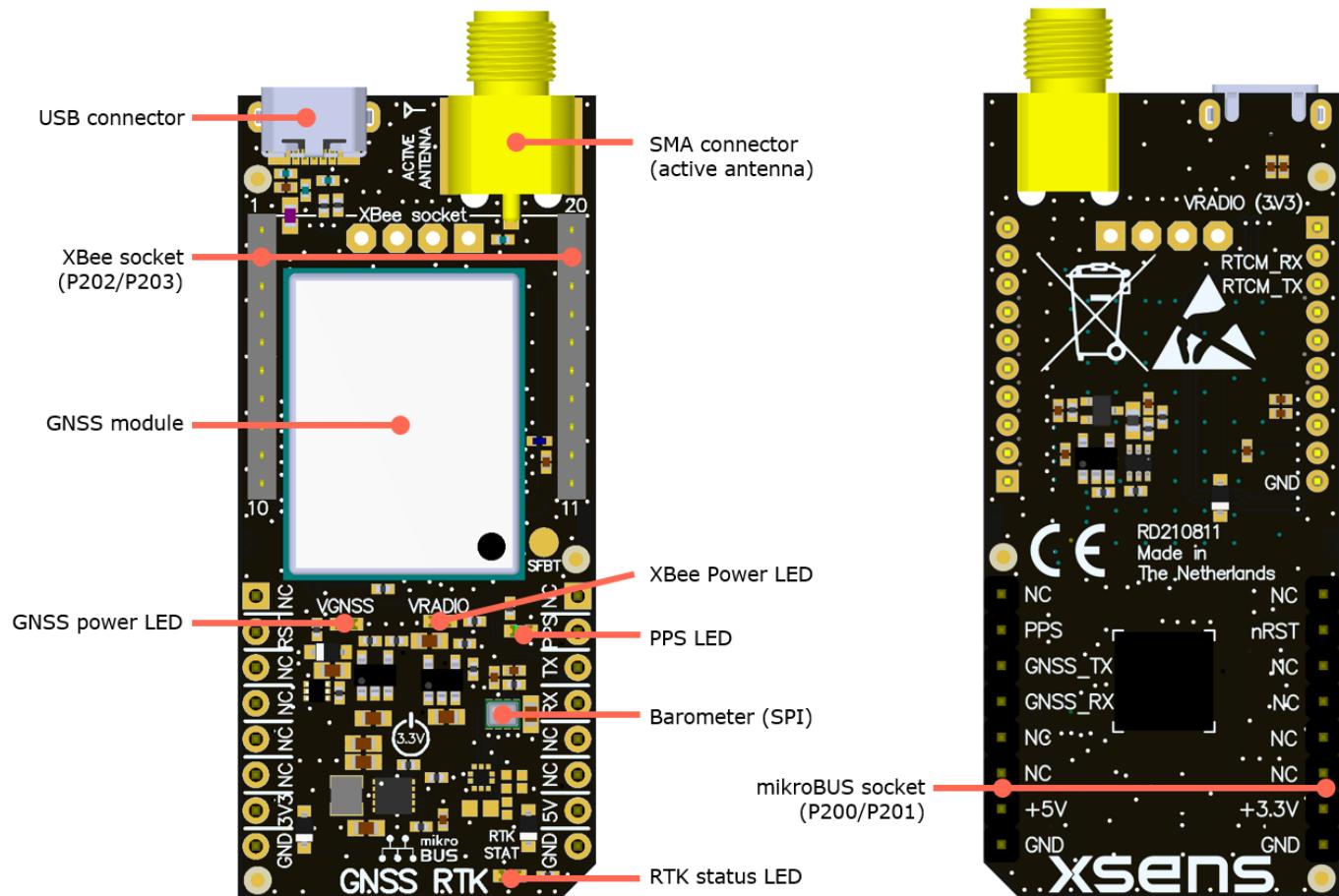
The MTi-670-DK comes with the GNSS daughter card installed in the *GNSS extension socket*. As shown in the figures below, the GNSS daughter card consists of a GNSS receiver and a barometer sensor component. The barometer is not used/connected for the MTi-670-DK, since the MTi-600 has an internal barometer. The LEDs (Power and PPS) give indication of proper functioning of the GNSS daughter card. The supplied GNSS antenna can be connected to the SMA connector.



Top view (left) and the bottom view (right) of the MTi-670-DK GNSS daughter card

The MTi-600 DEV board translates the RS232 signal levels from the MTi-600 to the 3V3 UART levels used on the extension board. This transceiver can be disabled by placing a zero-Ohm resistor on the *GNSS_Disable* resistor position (see #MTi 600-series Development Board overview with connector designators). In this case, the GNSS pins on the *External connector* can be used to connect a RS232 level enabled GNSS receiver.

The MTi-680-DK comes with the RTK GNSS daughter card installed in the *GNSS extension socket*. As shown in the figures below, the RTK GNSS daughter card consists of an RTK GNSS receiver, a barometer sensor component, an Xbee socket and a USB connector. The barometer is not used/connected for the MTi-680-DK, since the MTi-600 has an internal barometer. The LEDs (Power, PPS, Xbee and RTK status) give indication of proper functioning of the RTK GNSS daughter card and Xbee power. The supplied GNSS antenna can be connected to the SMA connector.



Top view (left) and the bottom view (right) of the MTi-680-DK RTK GNSS daughter card

The power consumption of the MTI-680 DK RTK GNSS daughter card (MTI-DK-RTK) is higher than the MTI-670 DK GNSS daughter card. Use only with MTI-600-DEV Hardware Revision 1.7 and higher!

The MTi-680-DK is equipped with an XBee module socket. XBee modules are embedded solutions providing wireless end-point connectivity to devices. The XBee socket can be used to feed RTCM correction messages to the MTi-680-DK RTK GNSS receiver or to connect to an XBee wireless module.

XBee socket pinning

| Pin | GNSS board |
|--------|--------------|
| P202-1 | VRADIO (3V3) |
| P202-2 | RTCM_RxD |

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| P202-3 | RTCM_TxD |
| P202-[4..9] | NC |
| P202-10 | GND |
| P203-[11..20] | NC |

The *GNSS extension socket* has mikroBUS™ compatible pinning. This enables the user to connect alternate GNSS daughter card modules with mikroBUS™ pinning to the MTi-600-DEV. The pinning connections for the *GNSS extension socket* are listed in Table 13. This extension only uses the 3.3V supply pin, which is connected to the 3V3 that is generated on the MTi-600 DEV.

Connections on UART communication GNSS extension sockets.

| Pin | Mikro BUS | MTi-670/680 | Pin | Mikro BUS | MTi-670/680 |
|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------|
| P200-1 | AN | NC | P201-1 | PWM | NC |
| P200-2 | RST | Pull-up | P201-2 | INT | SYNC_IN2 |
| P200-3 | CS | NC | P201-3 | TX | GNSS_RxD |
| P200-4 | SCK | NC | P201-4 | RX | GNSS_TxD |
| P200-5 | MISO | NC | P201-5 | SCL | NC |
| P200-6 | MOSI | NC | P201-6 | SDA | NC |
| P200-7 | 3.3V | 3V3 | P201-7 | 5V | 5V |
| P200-8 | GND | GND | P201-8 | GND | GND |

Electrical specifications

MTi-600 DEV power supply specifications

| | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| V _{USB} | 4.5 | 5 | 5.5 | V |
| V _{ext} | 4.5 | - | 24 | V |

Absolute maximum ratings

Absolute maximum ratings MTi-600 DEV

| Parameter | Min | Max | Unit | Comments |
|-----------------------|------|--------|------|---|
| Operating temperature | -40 | +85 | °C | |
| V_{ext} | -0.3 | 30 | V | Power input on <i>External connector</i> or <i>DSUB9</i> connectors |
| V_{USB} | -0.3 | 6.0 | V | USB power input |
| V_{UART} | -0.3 | 3.6 | V | |
| $V_{RS232/SYNC}$ | -25 | 25 | V | |
| V_{RS422} | -15 | 15 | V | |
| V_{CAN_DC} | -58 | 58 | V | Common mode voltage of CAN_H and CAN_L with respect to ground |
| V_{CAN_DIFF} | -17 | 17 | V | Differential voltage between CAN_H and CAN_L |
| Acceleration[1] | | 10,000 | g | Any axis, unpowered, for 0.2 ms |
| ESD protection[2] | | ±2000 | V | Human body model |

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

[1] This is a mechanical shock (g) sensitive device. Proper handling is required to prevent damage to the part.

[2] This is an ESD-sensitive device. Proper handling is required to prevent damage to the part.

Standalone configuration

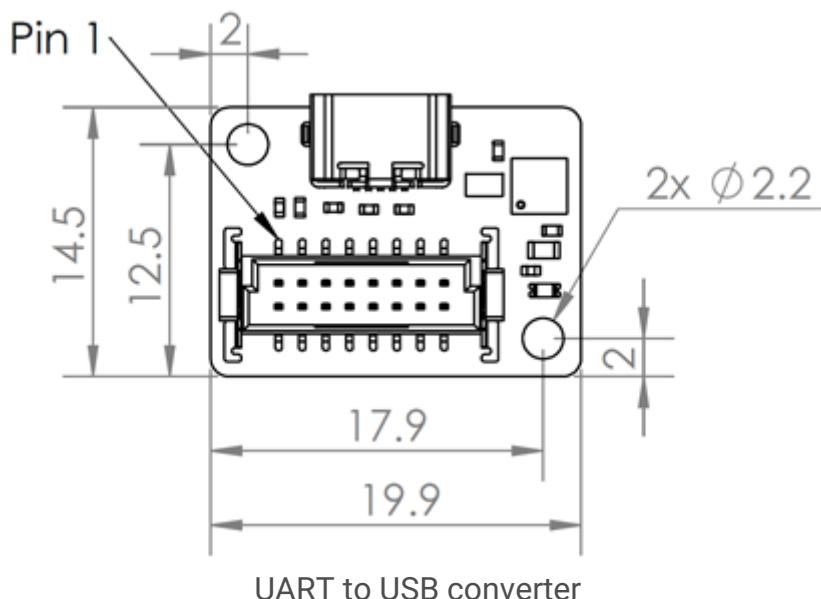
- Standalone configuration
 - UART to USB board drawing

The MTi-600 DEV includes a UART to USB breakout board that can be used for a minimalistic connection to a host through the supplied ribbon cable. This board can be separated from the main MTi-600 DEV board by breaking it off gently. With this board the MTi-600 can be mounted up-side-down, with the connector facing up, onto any surface by using the mounting holes of the MTi-600. The location of the MTi-600 mounting holes can be found in the *MTi 600-series Datasheet* or *MTi 600-series Hardware Integration Manual*.

The UART to USB breakout board uses the 5V power supply of the USB to power the MTi-600 and the UART pins of the MTi-600 for communication.

UART to USB board drawing

The figure below shows the dimensions of the UART to USB breakout board together with its mounting holes.



Starter Kit

This chapter describes the technical specifications of all components included in the MTi-630R-, MTi-670G- and MTi-680G Starter Kit.

- Starter Kit
 - CA-USB-CONV
 - SYNC connections
 - Cables
 - CA-MP-MTI-12
 - CA-MP-MTI-4 (MTi-680G-SK only)
 - ANT-GNSS-RTK

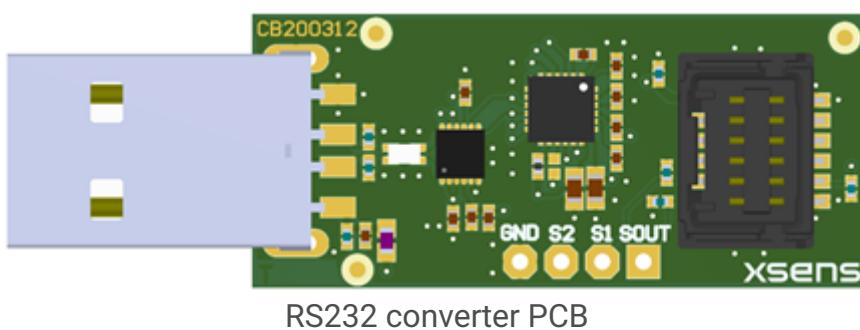
CA-USB-CONV

The CA-USB-CONV is a USB to RS232 converter that can be connected directly to the Molex connector of the 12-pin Host Interface cable. The RS232 converter uses the RxD, TxD, RTS and CTS pins of the RS232 communication lines and powers the MTi-600 with the 5V power line of the USB.

SYNC connections

The SYNC signals of the MTi-600 can be easily accessed on the PCB of the RS232 converter. To reveal the PCB the two housing components need to be pulled apart. The housing parts are fixed with press fit connections in each corner.

The figure below shows the PCB of the RS232 converter. The SYNC signals are available on pads with a 2.54 mm spacing and can be used to solder on a standard 2.54 mm pitch through hole header or wires. Table 16 shows the signal definitions of the pads.



RS232 converter I/O pad definitions

| Pin number | Designator | Function (MTi) |
|---------------|------------|----------------|
| 1 (square) | SOUT | SYNC_OUT |
| 2 | S1 | SYNC_IN1 |
| 3 | S2 | SYNC_IN2 |
| 4 | GND | Ground |

Cables

CA-MP-MTI-12

The CA-MP-MTI-12 is the 12-pin Host Interface cable assembly and consists of the following parts:

- Molex connector: 5054321201; 1.25mm pitch, dual row, positive lock, 12 circuits
- ODU connector: A10WAMP12XMM0-0000; AMC HD, break-away plug, 12 circuits
- Cable: 2.9 m, 12 core, AWG28, shielded, UL, 40°C - +85°C, 6.1 mm diameter
- Molex crimp terminals: 5054311100; gold (Au) plating, 2630 AWG

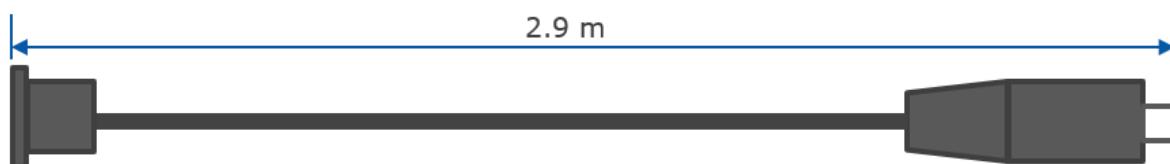
The table below shows the pinning of the connections. The shield of the cable is only connected on the ODU connector side.

Connector pinning Host Interface cable assembly

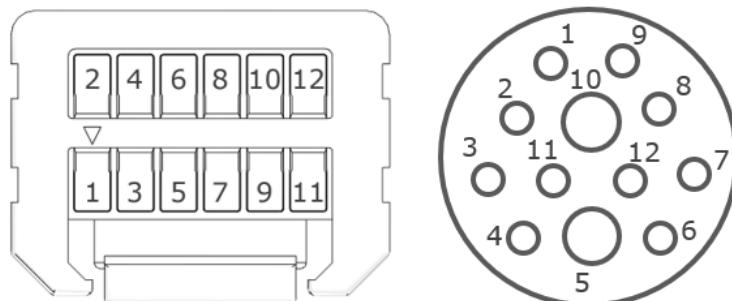
| Function (MTi) | Wire colour | Wire number | Molex pin no. | ODU pin no. |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| VIN | Red | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| GND | Black | 6 | 2 | 10 |
| CAN_H | Green | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| CAN_L | White | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| RS232_TxD | Yellow | 9 | 5 | 8 |
| RS232_RTS | Violet | 10 | 6 | 9 |
| RS232_RxD/SYNC_IN3 | Grey | 8 | 7 | 7 |
| RS232_CTS/SYNC_IN4 | Orange | 7 | 8 | 6 |

| | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|----|----|----|
| SYNC_IN1/ODO_1A | Black/White | 3 | 9 | 3 |
| SYNC_IN2/ODO_1B | Red/White | 4 | 10 | 4 |
| SYNC_OUT | Blue/White | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| GND | Blue | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| SHIELD | - | - | - | SH |

The figures below show the cable length definition (from connector end-to-end) and the pinning of both the Molex connector and the ODU connector. The table underneath shows the recommended mating parts for the Molex connector.



Host Interface cable length definition



Numbering 12-pin connectors; left Molex (cable entry view), right ODU (solder cup view).

Recommended mating parts for 12-pins Molex connector

| Part number | Manufacturer | Mounting | Description |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| 5054331291 | Molex | Vertical | 1.25mm Pitch, Micro-Lock Plus PCB Header, Dual Row, Surface Mount, 0.10µm Gold Plating, 12 Circuits |
| 5054481291 | Molex | Right-Angle | |

CA-MP-MTI-4 (MTi-680G-SK only)

The CA-MP-MTI-4 is the 4-pin RTCM corrections cable assembly and consists of the following parts:

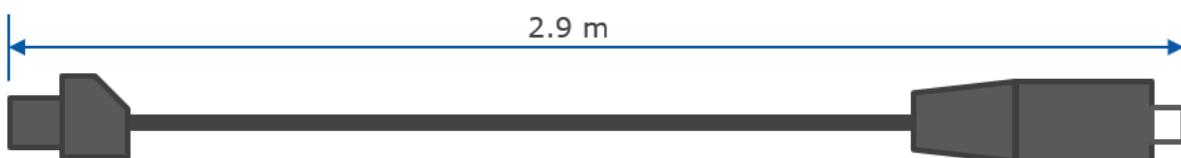
- Molex connector: 2045320401; 1.25mm pitch, single row, positive lock, 4 circuits
- ODU connector: A1CWAMP04XBC0-0000; AMC HD, break-away plug, 4 circuits
- Cable: 2.9 m, 12 core, AWG28, shielded, UL, 40°C - +85°C
- Molex crimp terminals: 5054311100; gold (Au) plating, 2630 AWG

The table below shows the pinning of the connections. The shield of the cable is only connected on the ODU connector side.

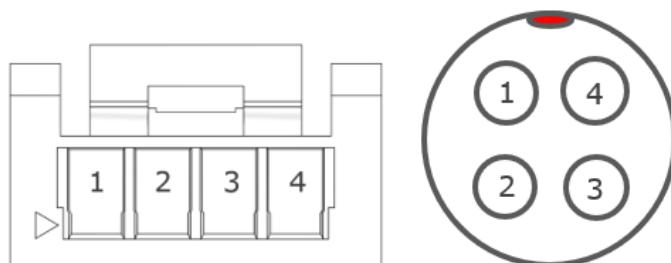
Connector pinning RTCM cable assembly

| Function (MTi) | Wire colour | Molex pin no. | ODU pin no. |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| V_BCKP | Red | 1 | 1 |
| GND | Black | 2 | 2 |
| RTCM_TxD | Green | 3 | 4 |
| RTCM_RxD | White | 4 | 3 |
| SHIELD | - | - | SH |

The figures below show the cable length definition (from connector end-to-end) and the pinning of both the Molex connector and the ODU connector. The table underneath shows the recommended mating parts for the Molex connector.



RTCM cable length definition



Numbering 4-pin connectors; left Molex (cable entry view), right ODU (solder cup view).

Recommended mating parts for 4-pins Molex connector

| Part number | Manufacturer | Mounting | Description |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| 5055680481 | Molex | Vertical | 1.25mm Pitch, Micro-Lock Plus PCB Header, Single Row, Surface Mount, Gold Plating, 4 Circuits |
| 5055670481 | Molex | Right-Angle | |

ANT-GNSS-RTK

The supplied GNSS antenna in the MTi-670G/680G Starter Kit is the TW8889 of Tallysman (manufacturer order code: 33-8889NM-12-2900). The specifications of this antenna are listed in the following table.

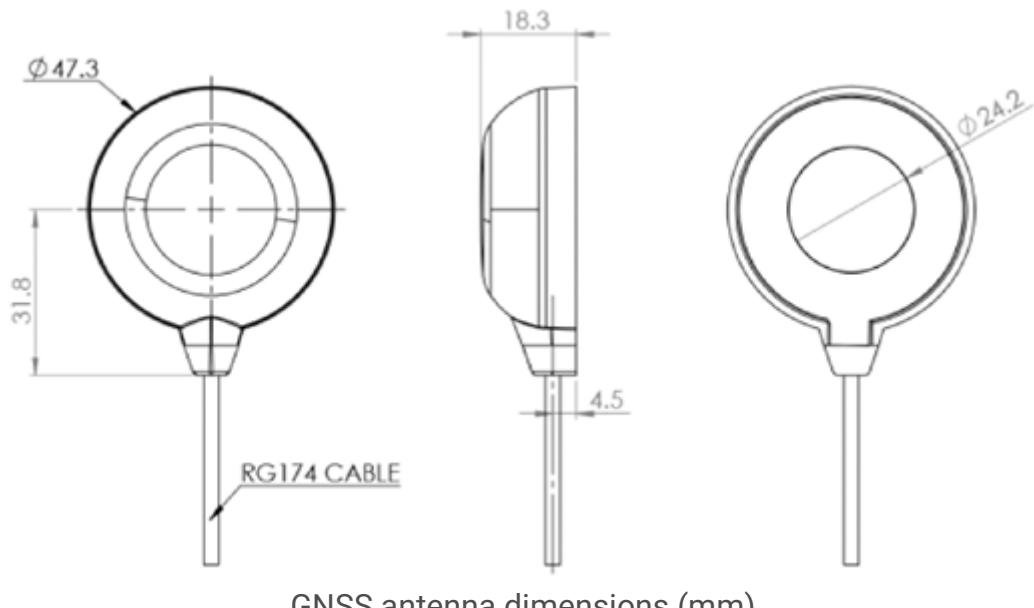
GNSS RTK antenna specifications

| Parameter | Specification |
|--|---------------|
| Typical LNA gain | 27 dB |
| Typical LNA noise figure | 2.5 dB |
| L1 peak band antenna gain (1575.42 – 1606 MHz)[1] | 4 dBiC |
| L2 peak band antenna gain (1215 – 1240 MHz)[1] | 4 dBiC |
| G2 peak band antenna gain (1237 – 1246 MHz)[1] | 3 dBiC |
| E5b/G3 peak band antenna gain (1189 – 1214 MHz)[1] | 1 dBiC |
| Axial ratio (max at Zenith) | 1 dB |
| Polarization | RHCP |
| EMI immunity out-of-band | 50 V/m |
| ESD circuit protection (air discharge) | 15 kV |
| Weight | 52 g |
| Cable length | 2.9 m |

Other specifications:

- Covering GPS/QZSS L1/L2, GLONASS G1/G2/G3, Galileo E1/E5b, BeiDou B1/B2, as well as SBAS (WAAS/EGNOS/GAGAN/MSAS)
- Tight Phase Center Variation
- Low current: 12 mA typ.

- IP67, REACH and RoHS compliant



[1] Peak gain at Zenith with 100 mm diameter ground plane.

Hardware Integration Manual

General information

This document provides hardware design instructions for the MTi 600-series module (MTi-610/620/630/670/680) and robust tracker (MTi-630R/670G/680G). The MTi 600-series is a fully functional, self-contained module that is easy to design-in with limited external hardware components to be added. The MTi-600 module can be embedded in an application by mounting it directly on a PCB or as a standalone module by connecting it via a flat-ribbon cable. The MTi-600 module can be connected to a host through RS232, CAN or UART interfaces. In contrast, the MTi 600-series robust trackers (MTi-630R, MTi-670G and MTi-680G) are rugged (IP68) devices which can be connected to a host through RS232 or CAN interface, or through USB using the RS232 to USB converter dongle (included in the MTi 600-series Starter Kit).

The *MTi 600-series Datasheet* provides information on the usage and technical details of the MTi 600-series.

The *MTi Family Reference Manual* supplements this document. It reports generic information on the MTi 1-series and MTi 600-series, such as output definitions, algorithm details and installation tips.

For testing and prototyping, Xsens provides the MTi-630, MTi-670 and MTi-680 Development Kits (MTi-630-DK, MTi-670-DK and MTi-680-DK) as well as Starter Kits (SK) for the robust MTi-630R, MTi-670G and MTi-680G. In addition to the RS232, CAN and UART pin connectors of the MTi 600-series module, the Development Kit offers a direct USB, RS232, RS422 and CAN interface. Technical details of the Development Kit and its usage can be found in the *MTi 600-series DK User Manual*.

The *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document* provides a complete reference for the protocols used to communicate with Xsens Motion Trackers on low-level basis. The *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Document* also describes the synchronization messages and settings in detail.

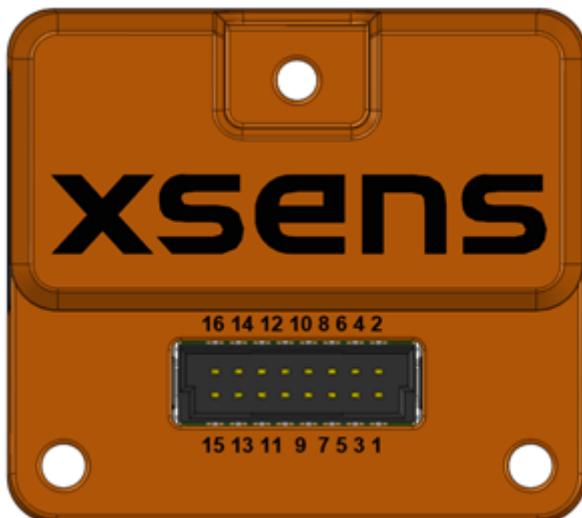
Interfaces

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Pin Configuration

MTi 600-series module

Below figure shows the pin configuration of the MTi 600-series module.



Pin configuration of the MTi 600-series module

Below table shows the pin descriptions of the MTi 600-series module.

Pin descriptions MTi-610/620/630/670/680

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|-----------|----------|---|
| 1 | VIN | PWR | Power input |
| 2 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 3 | CAN_H | I/O | CAN bus differential high side |
| 4 | CAN_L | I/O | CAN bus differential low side |
| 5 | RS232_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 6 | RS232_RTS | O | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 7 | RS232_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 8 | RS232_CTS | I | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 9 | SYNC_IN1 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 10 | SYNC_IN2 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 11 | GNSS_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to GNSS module |
| 12 | GNSS_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from GNSS module |
| 13 | SYNC_OUT | O | Configurable synchronization output |
| 14 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 15 | UART_TxD | O | UART transmitter output |
| 16 | UART_RxD | I | UART receiver input |

Robust trackers (MTi-630R/670G/680G)

The figure below shows the three connectors on the rugged housing of the MTi-670G/680G. The MTi-630R only features the Host Interface connector.



The table below shows the pin descriptions of the MTi-630R/670G/680G Host Interface connector.

Pin descriptions MTi-630R/670G/680G Host Interface

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|-----------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | CAN_H | I/O | CAN bus differential high side |
| 2 | CAN_L | I/O | CAN bus differential low side |
| 3 | SYNC_IN1 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 4 | SYNC_IN2 | I | Multifunctional synchronization input |
| 5 | VIN | PWR | Power input |
| 6 | RS232_CTS | I | RS232 Clear To Send input from host |
| 7 | RS232_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 8 | RS232_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |
| 9 | RS232_RTS | O | RS232 Ready To Send output to host |
| 10 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 11 | SYNC_OUT | O | Configurable synchronization output |
| 12 | GND | PWR | Ground |

Below table shows the pin descriptions of the MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector.

⚠ The MTi-680G RTCM corrections connector is also present on the MTi-670G, but it is unused. It should therefore be left unconnected.

Pin descriptions MTi-680G RTCM corrections

| Pin | Name | I/O type | Description |
|-----|----------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | V_BCKP | PWR | Backup supply for GNSS (3V3). |
| 2 | GND | PWR | Ground |
| 3 | RTCM_RxD | I | RS232 receiver input from host |
| 4 | RTCM_TxD | O | RS232 transmitter output to host |

Communication to host

The MTi 600-series is designed to be used as a peripheral device in embedded systems or as a standalone unit. The MTi 600-series supports Controller Area Network (CAN) and RS232 protocols for the communication between the MTi and a host. The module supports an additionally Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART). See below table for interface specifications.

Host communication interfaces specifications

| Interface | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Units | Description | Note |
|-----------|-------------|------|-------|------|-------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| CAN | f_{CAN} | 10.0 | 250.0 | 1000 | kbps | Host CAN Interface Baud Rate | |
| RS232 | f_{RS232} | 4.8 | 115.2 | 1000 | kbps | Host RS232 Interface Baud Rate | |
| UART | f_{UART} | 4.8 | 115.2 | 2000 | kbps | Host UART Interface Baud Rate | Not available on robust trackers |

A USB and RS422 interface is possible through a UART to USB/RS422 converter (see example in the MTi 600-series Development Kit).

At its core, the MTi uses the Xsens-proprietary Xbus protocol which is compatible with all Xsens Motion Tracker products. This protocol is available on all interfaces; UART, RS232 and CAN. The *MT Low Level Communication Protocol Documentation* is a complete reference for the protocol.

CAN

The CAN interface of the MTi-600 does not include a termination resistor; it can be used in a CAN bus that already incorporates the required termination. If used in a single device connection, a $120\ \Omega$ termination resistor needs to be added between the CAN_H and CAN_L pins.

For more information please review the *MT CAN Protocol Documentation*.

RS232

The RS232 interface complies with the standard RS232 voltage levels. It includes hardware flow control through RTS and CTS lines.

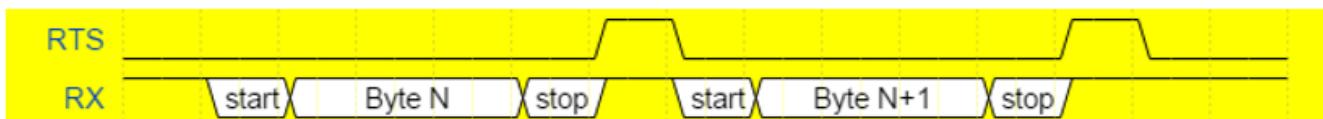
The RTS signal is an output of the MTi-600. If the RTS line is low, the module is busy and unable to receive new data. Otherwise, the module's UART is idle and ready to receive. The CTS signal is an input for the MTi 600-series. The module checks the state of the CTS line at the start of every byte it transmits. If CTS is high, the module transmits the byte. Otherwise, it postpones transmission until CTS is raised. If flow control is not used the CTS input should be connected to a logic high to make sure that the MTi 600-series can transmit data. A RS232 logic high voltage should be between +3 V and +25 V.

The CTS signal is an input for the module. The module checks the state of the CTS line at the start of every byte it transmits. If CTS is high, the module transmits the byte. Otherwise, it postpones transmission until CTS is raised. When during the transmission of a byte the user lowers the CTS signal, then the module completes transmission of that byte before postponing further output. The module will not retransmit this byte. Below figure shows the behaviour of the TX and CTS lines.



Data transmit behaviour under CTS

The RTS signal is an output of the module. If the RTS line is low, the module is busy and unable to receive new data. Otherwise, the module's UART is idle and ready to receive. After receiving a byte the direct memory access (DMA) controller of the module will transfer the byte to its receive first-in-first-out (FIFO) buffer. The module will pull down the RTS signal during this transfer. Therefore, with every byte received, the module lowers the RTS line shortly. Below figure shows this behaviour.



RTS behaviour during data reception

The user can use this communication mode without hardware flow control. In this case, the user must tie the CTS line high (e.g. VIN) to make the module transmit.

UART

The UART interface can be used to directly connect to an MCU with 3.3 V IO-levels. The user can configure the MTi 600-series module to communicate over UART. The UART frame configuration is 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit (8N1). The UART protocol only has the TX and RX lines without any flow control. The UART interface is not available on the MTi-630R/670G/680G.

GNSS receiver interface

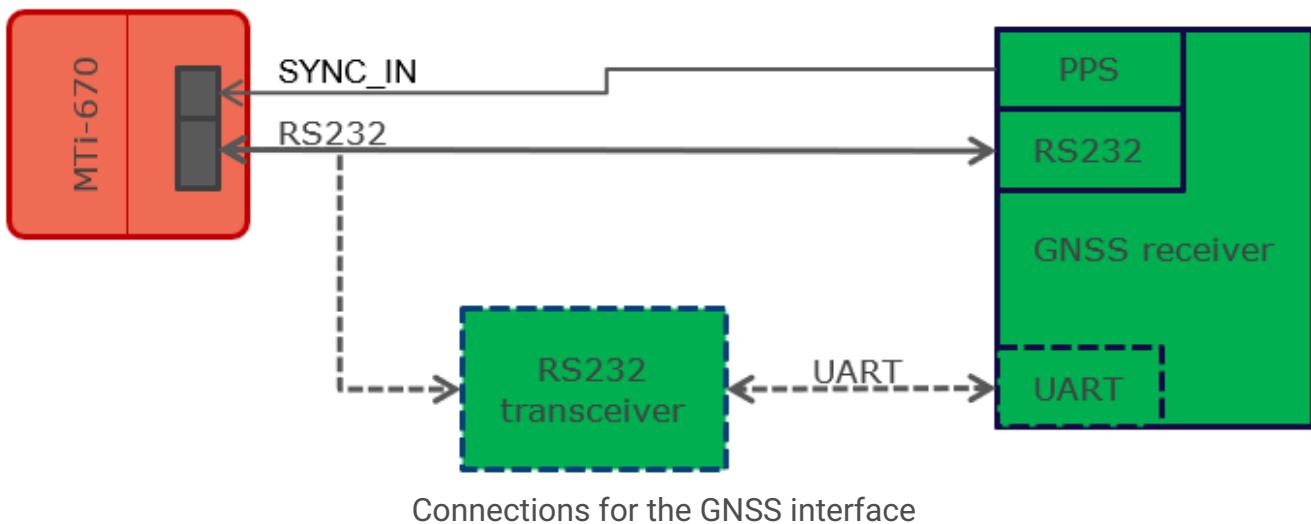
The MTi-670/680 variants of the MTi 600-series module family supports external inputs from a GNSS receiver, such as the u-blox MAX-M8 GNSS receiver. For the GNSS receiver, the RS232 or UART communication pins of the receiver need to be connected to the GNSS_TxD and GNSS_RxD pins of the MTi-670/680 module. In case of a UART interface on the GNSS receiver an additional RS232 transceiver should be connected in-between the MTi-600 and the GNSS receiver. See below figure for connection details and below table for interface specifications.

The PPS/TIMEPULSE output of the GNSS receiver should be connected to either one of the SYNC inputs of the MTi-670/680. The used SYNC input needs to be configured in software

accordingly. Under default configurations, the PPS/TIMEPULSE output should be connected to SYNC_IN1

GNSS receiver interface specifications

| Interface | Symbol | Typ | Max | Units | Description |
|-----------|------------|-------|------|-------|--------------------------|
| RS232 | f_{GNSS} | 115.2 | 1000 | kbps | GNSS Interface Baud Rate |



Connections for the GNSS interface

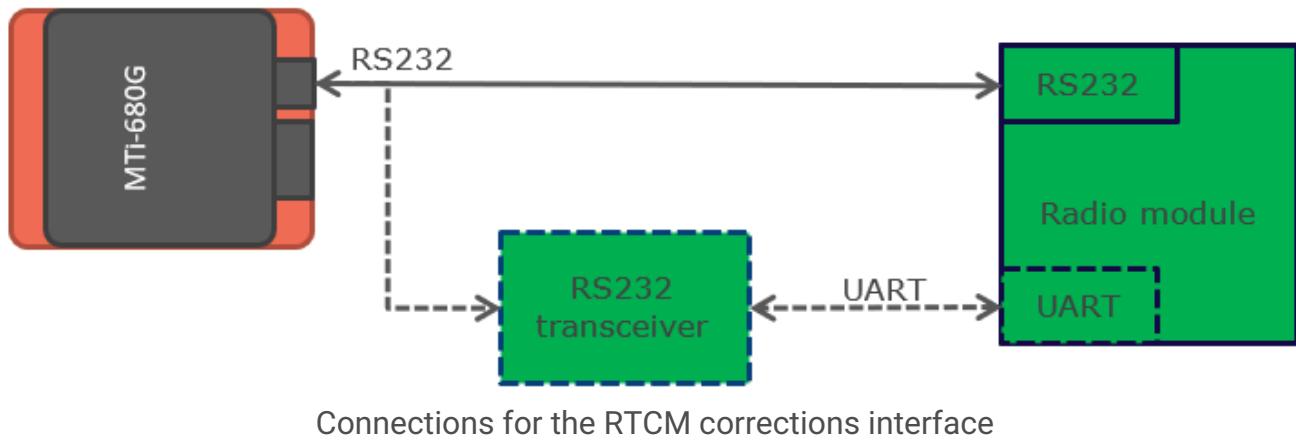
RTCM corrections interface

The MTi-680G variant of the MTi 600-series family supports RTCM correction inputs from an external device (e.g. radio module). This input can be found on the 4-pin connector and uses RS232 levels. In case of a UART interface on the radio module an additional RS232 transceiver should be connected in-between the MTi-680G and the radio module. See below figure for connection details and below table for interface specifications.

RTCM input port baud rates

| baud rate [bit/s] |
|-------------------|
| 38k4 (default) |
| 57k6 |

| baud rate [bit/s] |
|-------------------|
| 115k2 |
| 230k4 |
| 460k8 |
| 921k6 |



SYNC

The MTi 600-series has two multifunctional synchronization inputs and one synchronization output. The electrical specifications can be seen in the next chapter: Electrical Specifications. Refer to the *MTi 600-series Datasheet* for configuration details.

Electrical specifications

This section lists the recommended electrical operating conditions for the MTi-600 series module.

Supply voltage

The MTi 600-series module has a single supply pin that can be supplied with a voltage within the range specified in below table. The MTi-680G has an additional backup voltage input for the GNSS module to support a warm start. The input supply range of this backup voltage is also specified in below table.

Supply voltage specifications

| Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|------|--|
| V_{IN} | 4.5 | 5.0 | 24 | V | Power input voltage |
| V_{BCKP} | 1.7 | 3.0 | 3.6 | V | GNSS backup input voltage. Only available on MTi-680G. |

Power consumption

The power consumption of an MTi 600-series module depends, among others, on the input voltage, sample rate and communication protocol. Below table shows some typical power consumption values for different MTi 600-series types.

Power consumption specifications

| | Typ | Unit | Conditions |
|-------------|-----|------|---|
| MTi-630 | 320 | mW | 5V, UART, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-630 | 350 | mW | 5V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-630 | 495 | mW | 24V, UART, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-630 | 525 | mW | 24V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-670/680 | 310 | mW | 5V, UART, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |

| | Typ | Unit | Conditions |
|-------------|------|------|---|
| MTi-670/680 | 340 | mW | 5V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-670/680 | 495 | mW | 24V, UART, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-670/680 | 530 | mW | 24V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-680G | 720 | mW | 5V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |
| MTi-680G | 1000 | mW | 24V, RS232, measurement mode, 400Hz, 921.6 kbps |

I/O pins

The I/O interface specifications are listed in below table.

I/O interface specifications

| I/O interface | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|------------------------|------------------|---------|-----------|------|------|--|
| CAN | $V_{I(DIFF)(R)}$ | -4.0 | | 0.5 | V | Recessive differential input voltage $-12V < V_{(CANH, CANL)} < +12V$ |
| | $V_{I(DIFF)(D)}$ | 0.9 | | 9.0 | V | Dominant differential input voltage $-12V < V_{(CANH, CANL)} < +12V$ |
| | $V_{O(DIFF)(R)}$ | -500 | 0 | 50 | mV | Recessive differential output voltage |
| | $V_{O(DIFF)(D)}$ | 1.3 | 2.0 | 5.0 | V | Dominant differential output voltage |
| | $V_{O(L)(D)}$ | 0.5 | 1.5 | 2.25 | V | CAN_L dominant output voltage |
| | $V_{O(H)(D)}$ | 2.75 | 3.5 | 4.5 | V | CAN_H dominant output voltage |
| RS232#1 (GNSS/RTCM) | V_{IL} | -25 | | 0.6 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.4 | | +25 | V | High input voltage |
| | V_{OT} | ± 5 | ± 5.4 | | V | Driver Output Voltage swing |

| I/O interface | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|------|-----|------|------|---------------------|
| UART#2 | V_{IL} | 0 | | 0.88 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.29 | | 3.6 | V | High input voltage |
| | V_{OL} | 0 | | 0.44 | V | Low output voltage |
| | V_{OH} | 2.6 | | 3.3 | V | High output voltage |
| SYNC_IN1/ SYNC_IN2 | V_{IL} | -25 | | 0.6 | V | Low input voltage |
| | V_{IH} | 2.4 | | +25 | V | High input voltage |
| SYNC_OUT | V_{OL} | 0 | | 0.44 | V | Low output voltage |
| | V_{OH} | 2.6 | | 3.3 | V | High output voltage |

[1] Also applies to the GNSS (module) and RTCM (MTi-680G) ports.

[2] Not available on MTi-630R/670G/680G.

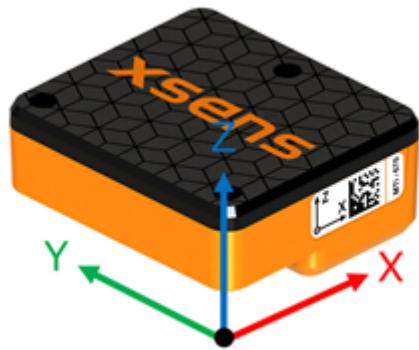
Design

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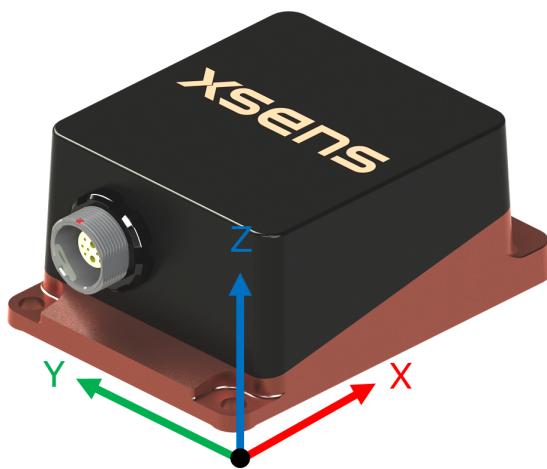
This section describes the (mechanical) design and hardware integration considerations of the MTi 600-series module. 3D models of the module and robust trackers are available and found on BASE.

Sensor reference frames

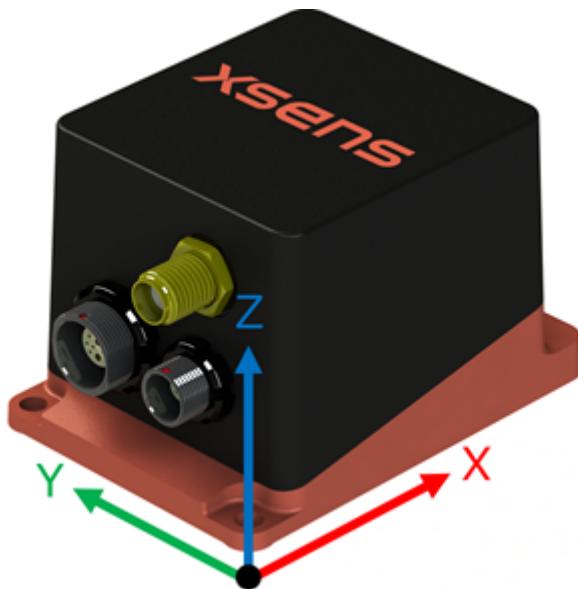
The MTi 600-series uses a right-handed coordinate system as the basis of the sensor frame. The default sensor coordinate system is printed on the side of the MTi and is indicated in the figures below. More details regarding (the modification of) the reference frames of the MTi can be found in the *MTi 600-series Datasheet* and *MTi Family Reference Manual*.



Default sensor coordinate system for the MTi 600-series module



Default sensor coordinate system for the MTi-630R

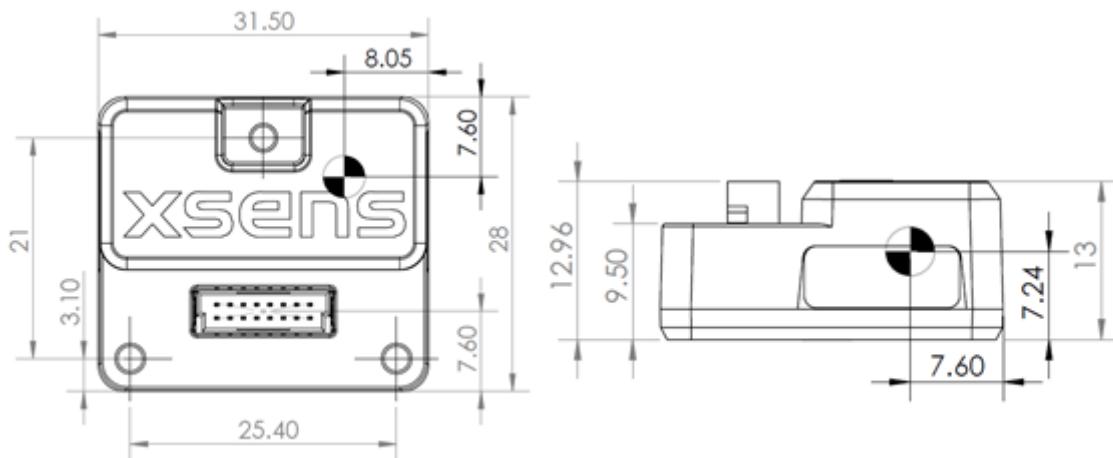


Default sensor coordinate system for the MTi-670G/680G

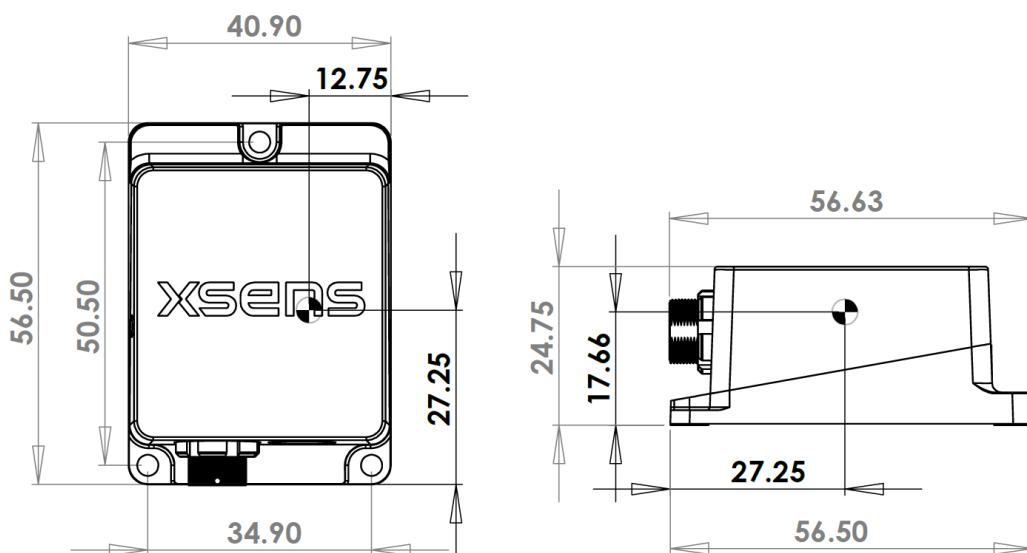
Origin of measurements

The accelerometer determines the origin of measurements. The in below figures shows the

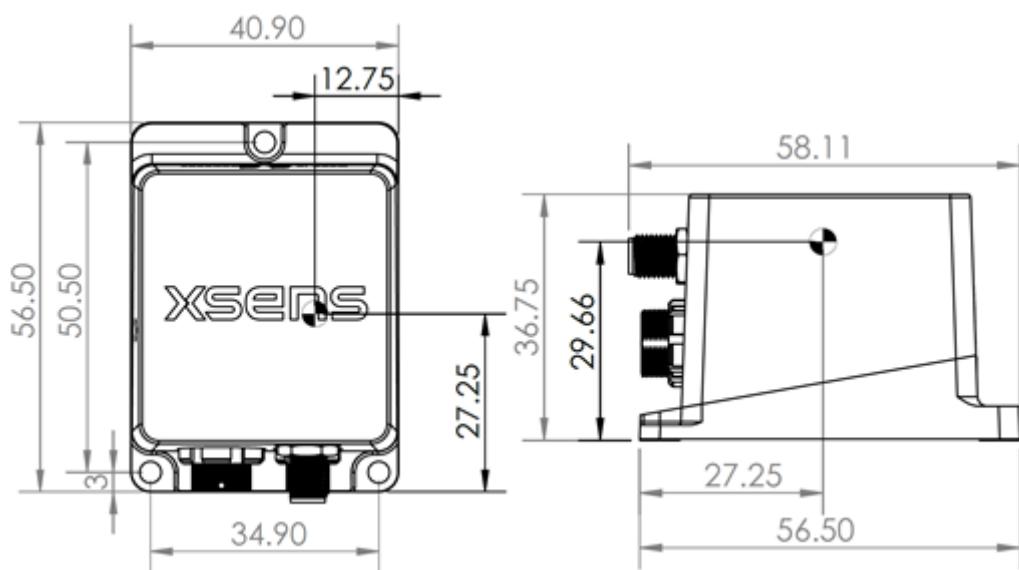
location of the accelerometer of the MTi 600-series module and robust trackers.



Location origin of measurements for the module (dimensions in mm)



Location origin of measurements for the MTi-630R (dimensions in mm)

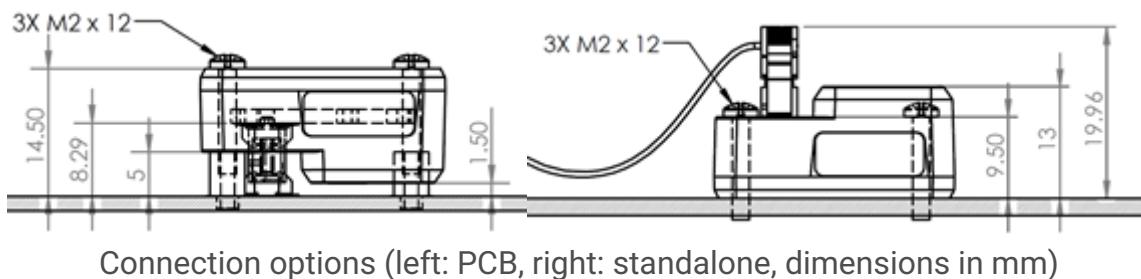


Location origin of measurements for the MTi-670/680G (dimensions in mm)

Physical connections of the Module

The connector on the MTi 600-series module is a 16 pins, 1.27 mm pitch male connector of Phoenix Contact (FP 1,27/ 16-MV 1,75 – 1714936). This connector supports an SMD counterpart that can be soldered onto a PCB as well as a ribbon cable (IDC) counterpart. In order to mount the MTi 600-series onto a PCB, the connector should be facing down and the housing should be supported with M2 spacers that can be soldered onto the PCB. When using a ribbon cable the MTi 600-series can be mounted upside-down to create easy access to the connector.

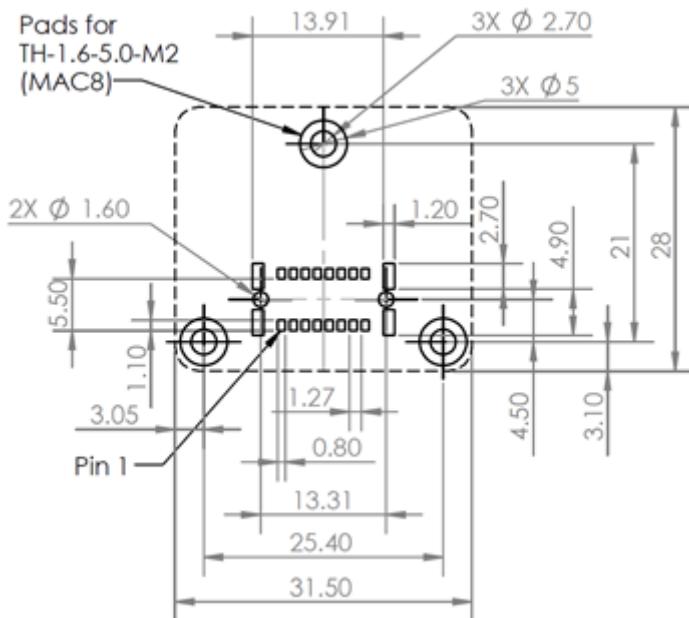
Below figure shows both mounting options. In both cases, the module is fixated with three M2 screws with a length of at least 12 mm. It is recommended to use screws and spacers with weak magnetic properties to reduce the influence on the internal magnetometer.



Footprint for PCB layout

Below figure shows the recommended footprint of the MTi 600-series counterpart connector together with the three spacers.

Below table shows the recommended parts for this mounting option.



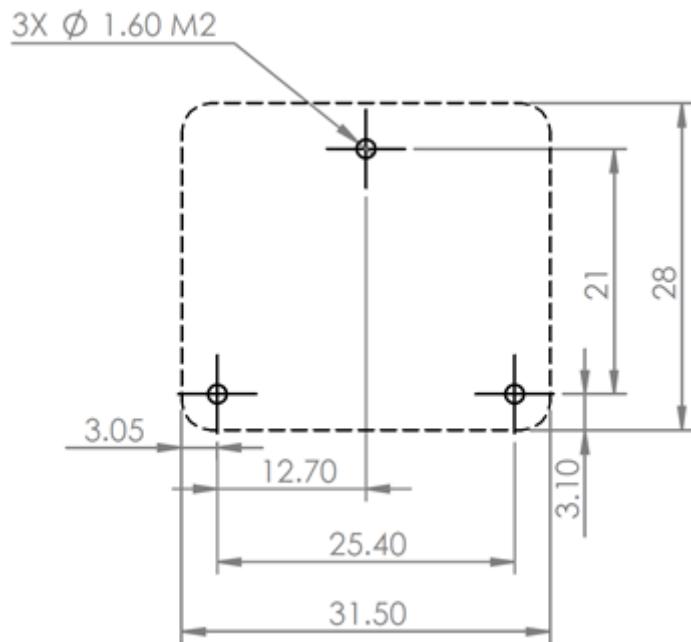
Layout footprint example (dimensions in mm)

Recommended mating/mounting parts

| Part | Manufacturer + part number | Description |
|---------------|--|---|
| SMD connector | Phoenix Contact: 1714892 (FP 1,27/ 16-FV 6,25) | To be used in combination with 5 mm spacers (shown in figure #Connection options) |
| | Phoenix Contact: 1715000 (FP 1,27/ 16-FV 9,05) | To be used in combination with 8 mm spacers |
| PCB spacers | MAC8: TH-1.6-5.0-M2 | M2 x 5 mm, recommended |
| | Würth Elektronik: 9774050243R | M2 x 5 mm, alternative |
| Screws | | Brass, M2 x 12 mm |

Footprint for standalone mounting

Below figure shows the mounting hole positions for the MTi 600-series when mounted upside-down for the IDC connection. Below table shows the recommended parts for this mounting option.



Standalone mounting hole positions (dimensions in mm)

Recommended mating/mounting parts

| Part | Manufacturer + part number | Description |
|---------------|---|---|
| IDC connector | Phoenix Contact: 1714903 (FP 1,27/ 16-FWL) | Single IDC connector |
| | Phoenix Contact: 1010258/P/xxx (FP 1,27/ 16-FWL-10/P/xxx) | Cable assembly with one IDC connector; replace xxx with cable length in m (0.05 – 0.95) |
| | Phoenix Contact: 1010251/P/xxx (FP 1,27/ 16-FWL-11/P/xxx) | Cable assembly with two IDC connectors; replace xxx with cable length in m (0.05 – 0.95) |
| Screws | | Brass, M2 x 12 mm |

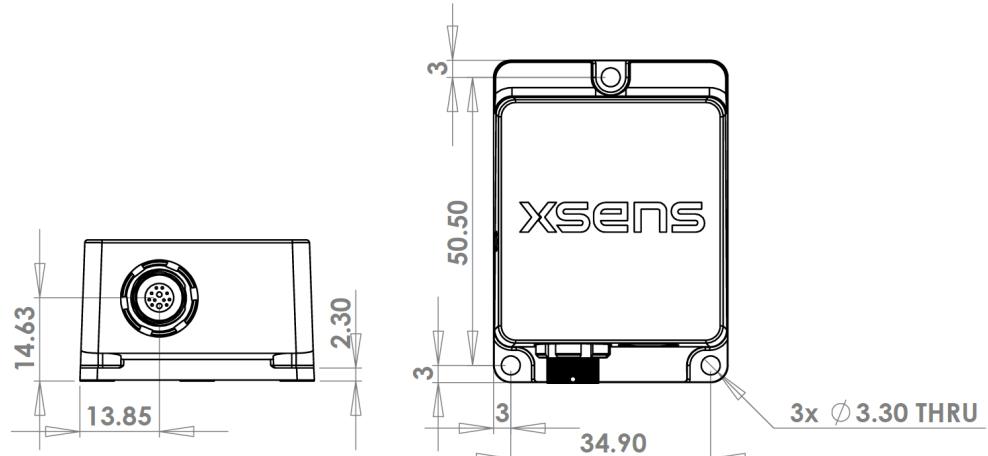
At www.phoenixcontact.com pre-assembled cables can be ordered.

Physical connections robust trackers

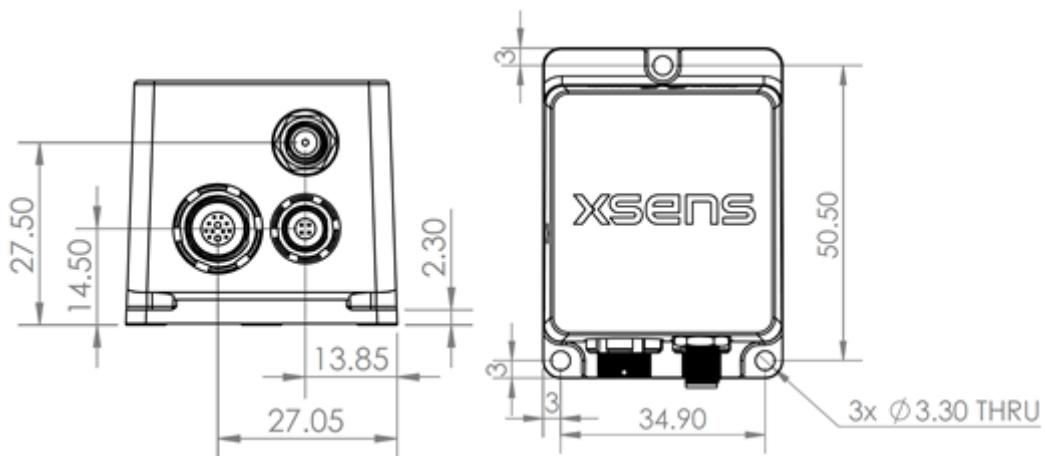
The MTi-630R/670G/680G only supports wire connectors. The MTi-670G/680G have three different connectors: a 12-pin ODU connector for main supply and communication, a 4-pin ODU connector for RTCM corrections (unused/unconnected for MTi-670G) and a SMA connector for

the GNSS antenna. The MTi-630R only features the 12-pin ODU connector for main supply and communication.

All robust trackers have three (M3) mounting holes to mount it on a flat service. Below figures show the connector and mounting hole positions on the MTi-630R and MTi-670G/680G.

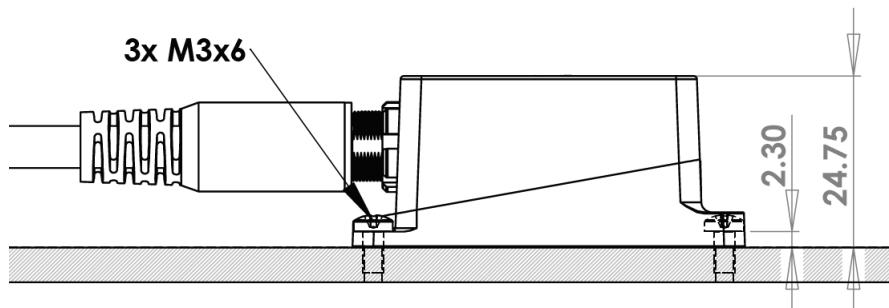


MTi-630R connector and mounting hole positions (dimensions in mm)

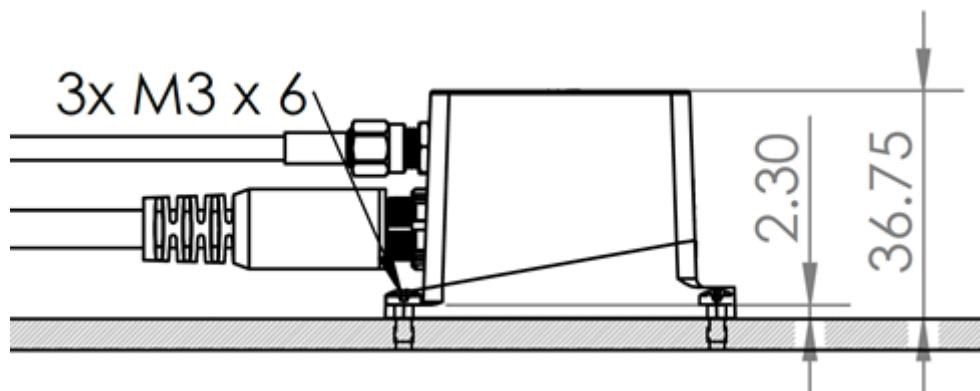


MTi-670G/680G connector and mounting hole positions (dimensions in mm)

Below figures show examples of the MTi-630R and MTi-670G/680G mounted on a surface.



MTi-630R mounting example (dimensions in mm)



MTi-670G/680G mounting example (dimensions in mm)

Recommended mating/mounting parts

| Part | Manufacturer | Part number | Description |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Host Interface connector | ODU | A10WAM-P12XMM0-0000 | AMC HD, break-away, 12 circuits |
| | ODU | C10WAM-P12XMM0-0000 | AMC HD, screw lock, 12 circuits |
| RTCM connector | ODU | A1CWAM-P04XBC0-0000 | AMC HD, break-away, 4 circuits |
| | ODU | C1CWAM-P04XBC0-0000 | AMC HD, screw lock, 4 circuits |
| SMA connector | Tallysman | TW8889 | Recommended GNSS antenna |
| Screws | | | Brass, M3 x 6 mm |

Cables

The following cables can be ordered from Xsens.

CA-MP-MTI-12

The CA-MP-MTI-12 is the 12-pin Host Interface cable that consists of the following parts:

- Molex connector: 5054321201; 1.25mm pitch, dual row, positive lock, 12 circuits

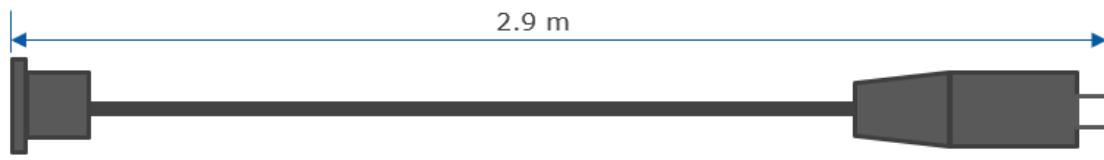
- ODU connector: A10WAMP12XMM0-0000; AMC HD, break-away plug, 12 circuits
- Cable: 2.9 m, 12 core, AWG28, shielded, UL, 40°C - +85°C, 6.1 mm diameter
- Molex crimp terminals: 5054311100; gold (Au) plating, 2630 AWG

Below table shows the pinning of the connections. The shield of the cable is only connected on the ODU connector side.

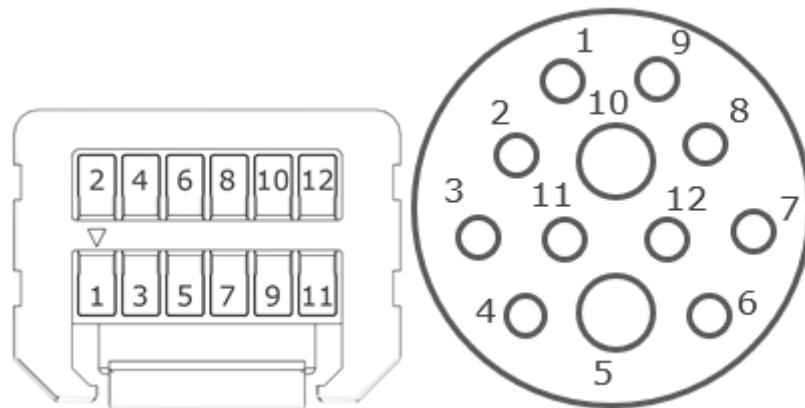
Connector pinning for the host interface cable assembly

| Function (MTi) | Wire colour | Wire number | Molex pin no. | ODU pin no. |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| VIN | Red | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| GND | Black | 6 | 2 | 10 |
| CAN_H | Green | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| CAN_L | White | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| RS232_TxD | Yellow | 9 | 5 | 8 |
| RS232_RTS | Violet | 10 | 6 | 9 |
| RS232_RxD/SYNC_IN3 | Grey | 8 | 7 | 7 |
| RS232_CTS/SYNC_IN4 | Orange | 7 | 8 | 6 |
| SYNC_IN1/ODO_1A | Black/White | 3 | 9 | 3 |
| SYNC_IN2/ODO_1B | Red/White | 4 | 10 | 4 |
| SYNC_OUT | Blue/White | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| GND | Blue | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| SHIELD | - | - | - | SH |

Below figures show the cable length definition (from connector end-to-end) and the pinning of both the Molex connector and the ODU connector. Below table shows the recommended mating parts for the Molex connector.



Host Interface cable length definition



Numbering 12-pin connectors; left Molex (cable entry view), right ODU (solder cup view).

Recommended mating parts for 12-pins Molex connector

| Part number | Manufacturer | Mounting | Description |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| 5054331291 | Molex | Vertical | 1.25mm Pitch, Micro-Lock Plus PCB Header, Dual Row, Surface Mount, 0.10µm Gold Plating, 12 Circuits |
| 5054481291 | Molex | Right-Angle | |

CA-MP-MTI-4

The CA-MP-MTI-4 is the RTCM corrections cable that consists of the following parts:

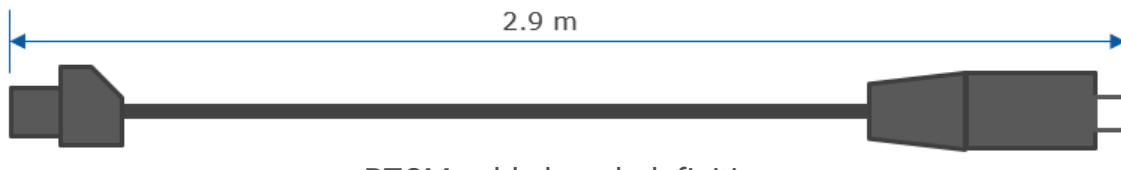
- Molex connector: 2045320401; 1.25mm pitch, single row, positive lock, 4 circuits
- ODU connector: A1CWAM-P04XBC0-0000; AMC HD, break-away plug, 4 circuits
- Cable: 2.9 m, 12 core, AWG28, shielded, UL, -40°C - +85°C
- Molex crimp terminals: 5054311100; gold (Au) plating, 26-30 AWG

Below table shows the pinning of the connections. The shield of the cable is only connected on the ODU connector side.

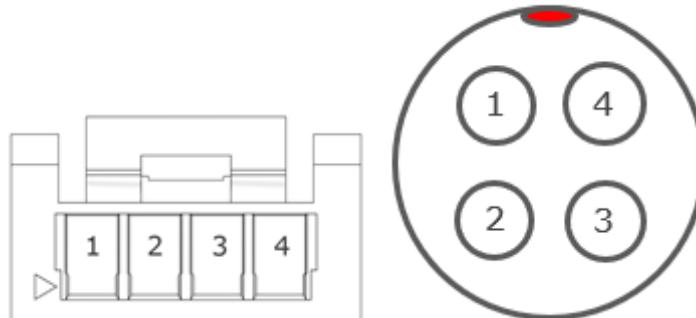
Connector pinning RTCM cable assembly

| Function (MTi) | Wire colour | Molex pin no. | ODU pin no. |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| V_BCKP | Red | 1 | 1 |
| GND | Black | 2 | 2 |
| RTCM_TxD | Green | 3 | 4 |
| RTCM_RxD | White | 4 | 3 |
| SHIELD | - | - | SH |

Below figures show the cable length definition (from connector end-to-end) and the pinning of both the Molex connector and the ODU connector. Below table shows the recommended mating parts for the Molex connector.



RTCM cable length definition



Numbering 4-pin connectors; left Molex (cable entry view), right ODU (solder cup view).

Recommended mating parts for 4-pins Molex connector

| Part number | Manufacturer | Mounting | Description |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| 5055680481 | Molex | Vertical | 1.25mm Pitch, Micro-Lock Plus PCB Header, Single Row, Surface Mount, Gold Plating, 4 Circuits |
| 5055670481 | Molex | Right-Angle | |

Required antenna specifications

The MTi-670G/680G requires an active antenna with at least the following specifications.

| Required antenna specifications for MTi-670G/680G | |
|---|---------------|
| Parameter | Specification |
| Minimum active antenna gain#1 | 17 dB |
| Maximum active antenna gain#1 | 50 dB |
| Maximum noise figure | 4 dB |
| Typical L1 band antenna gain (1559 – 1606 MHz)#2 | 3 dBiC |
| Typical L2/E5b band antenna gain (1197 – 1249 MHz)#2 | 2 dBiC |
| Axial ratio (max at Zenith) | 2 dB |
| Phase centre variation (max over elevation/azimuth) | 10 mm |
| Maximum group delay variation in-band#3 | 10 ns |
| Typical out-of-band rejection | 40 dB |
| Polarization | RHCP |
| EMI immunity out-of-band | 30 V/m |
| ESD circuit protection (human body model air discharge) | 15 kV |

[1] Including passive losses (filters, cables, connectors etc.)

[2] Measured with a ground plane with 150 mm diameter

[3] At each GNSS system bandwidth. Inter-signal requirement is 50 ns max.

Mechanical stress

In general, it is recommended to place the MTi 600-series module in an area on the PCB where mechanical stress is minimal. The following paragraphs describe possible causes of mechanical stress and ways to reduce it.

Torque

The connector of the MTi 600-series module is soldered onto the PCB board which also contains the sensing elements. Care should be taken to design the mounting such that there is no stress on the connector when mounted on the PCB or connected with a ribbon cable. Any stress on the connector could potentially result in torque on the PCB which can lead to unwanted biases and signal noise.

Vibrations

The MTi 600-series features an industry-leading signal processing pipeline (AttitudeEngine™) which rejects vibrations. For best results however, it is recommended that the MTi 600-series is mechanically isolated from vibrations as much as possible. Especially in applications where vibrations are likely to occur, the anchor points of the PCB that holds the MTi 600-series module should be damped. The required type of dampening varies from application to application.

Magnetometer

The MTi 600-series uses a 3D magnetometer for measuring the geomagnetic field. This part is sensitive to magnetic disturbances. Magnetic disturbances can be calibrated for or identified and rejected by the MTi, however it is recommended to avoid their influence during hardware integration.

Ferromagnetic materials

Ferromagnetic materials can be magnetized and the magnetic behaviour can change during operation. This behaviour will influence the measurements of the 3D magnetometer of the MTi 600-series.

Therefore, it is recommended to keep these ferromagnetic materials away from the MTi 600-series.

High currents

High current power lines on the PCB will introduce magnetic fields that may influence the measurements of the 3D magnetometer of the MTi 600-series. Place high current power lines away from the MTi 600-series. Example: a power line with a current of 100 mA at a distance of 10 mm from the magnetometer, will introduce an error of 2 μ T.

More information on magnetic interference can be found in the *MTi Family Reference Manual*.
Static magnetic disturbances can be calibrated for, see the *Magnetic Calibration Manual*.