

1 INTRODUCTION

GNS-Electronics, developer and manufacturer of module solutions for over 25 years, presents the new GNS5894 ADS-B module for 1090MHz "Virtual Radar" monitoring.

The high-dynamic signal processing circuit allows seamless ADS-B reception from near field to wide range. The module integrates a sensitive RF frontend, signal processing, a high speed data decoder and an output UART that can be easily connected to a host processor.

GNS5894 features a DSP-based hybrid reception algorithm that eliminates the so called "doughnut effect".

Features

- ADS-B all-in-one module
- Max. sensitivity -105dBm
- No "doughnut effect"
- Small outline 26x15x3.3mm
- Low power consumption : 73mA
- Frame decode indicator output
- Improved functionality by using a TCXO
- Easy to mount stamp hole PCB design
- Evaluation Board with USB bridge available



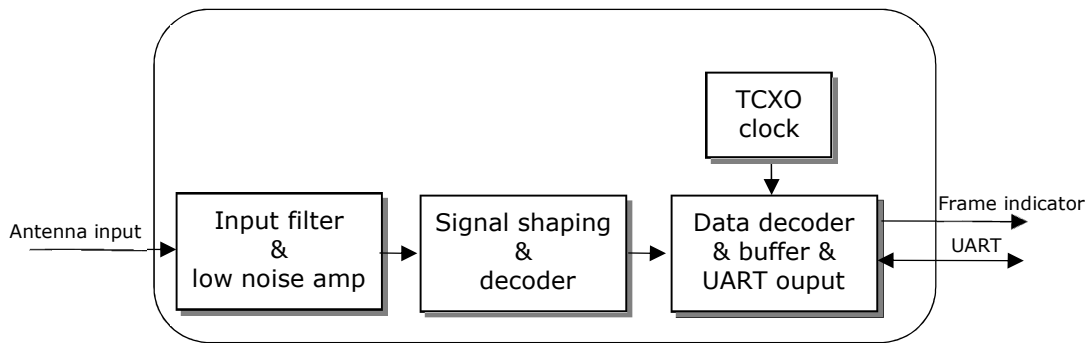
Applications

- Aviation safety
 - "Virtual Radar" for small aircrafts
 - Add-on data for flight navigation
- Ground equipment
 - Virtual Radar for ground based equipment
 - Hand held "plane spotting" devices
 - Data loggers for internet based online Virtual Radar systems

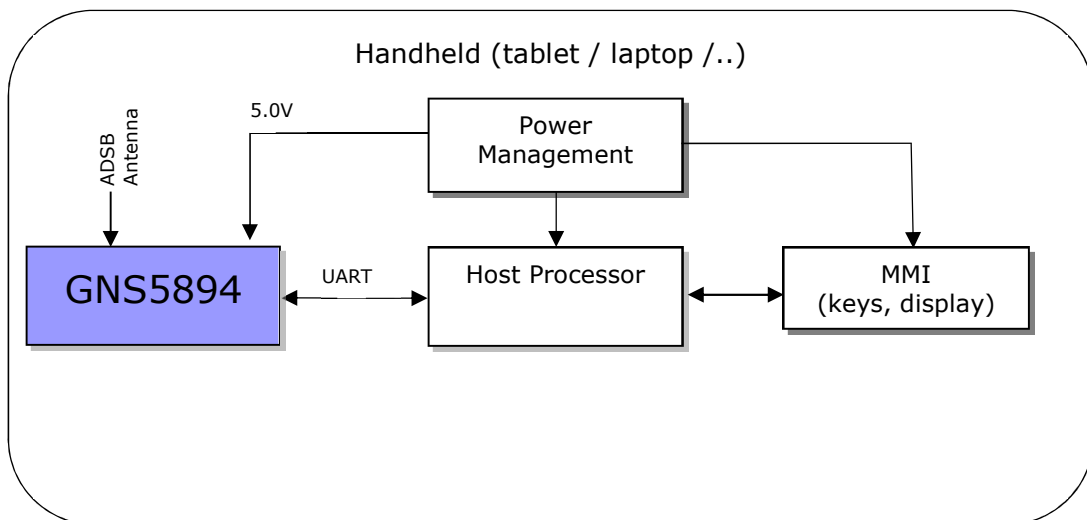
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3 BLOCK DIAGRAM



4 TYPICAL APPLICATION BLOCK DIAGRAM



5 DETAILED DESCRIPTION

GNS5894 is a high performance receiver for ADS-B.

Due to high input sensitivity it can work directly with a passive antenna.

The improved RF architecture and outstanding decoder circuit together with the enhanced firmware provides maximum performance at minimum space and power requirements.

GNS5894 features a special ultra fast level adaption circuit that overcomes the so called "doughnut effect".

This input stage allows to receive very strong "near" and very weak "far" signals at the same time without losses.

GNS5894 includes a complete ADS-B receiver. An appropriate power supply of 5.0V and a special antenna must be connected for operation.

- The signal picked from air is filtered and decoded without any host processing requirements.
- ADS-B –S data is provided at the serial UART port with a baudrate of 3Mbaud. An appropriate host system with application must read and interpret the data and present them through the UI.
- No external clocks are required.

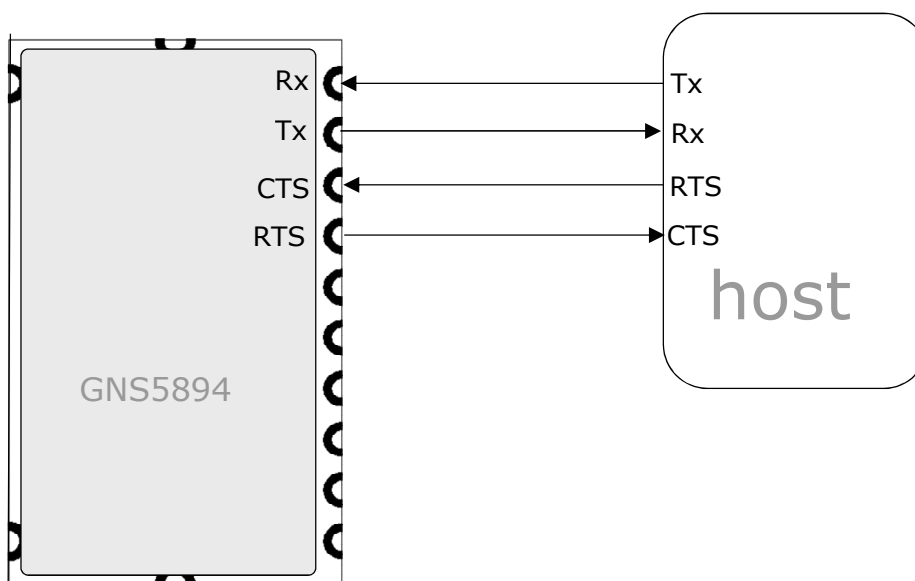
5.1 UART Interface details

GNS5894 must be connected to the host system by a UART Interface.

- The UART interface is used to send ADS-B text messages and receive control messages.
- The default baud rate is 3M baud, this baudrate is needed to transport the data without any data losses.
- For safe communication, implementing hardware handshake via RTS and CTS is recommended.
- I/O levels are 3.3V (see electrical data)

GPS UART Default Settings	
Parameter	Value
Baud rate	3,000,000
Data length	8 bits
Stop bit	1
Parity	None
Handshake	hardware

The idle state of the UART lines is positive voltage. To interface a standard RS232 UART (e.g. a PC serial interface), please add an inverting level shifter. To interface processors that have a different interfacing voltage level, level shifters are required.



5.2 Power supply

GNS5894 needs a single power supply of 4.3..5.5V. The current consumption is ~75mA at full operation.

5.3 Reset input

The reset input is optional. Drawing this pin to low will reset the internal microprocessor. Reset can be left open for the most applications.

5.4 Frame available output

The frame available signal is used to indicate frames being successfully decoded. The pin will be set to high for 1ms whenever a frame comes in. The signal can be used by a host processor or may drive a LED to provide a visual feedback of the incoming data frames.

5.5 RF input (RFIn)

The RF input pin has a nominal impedance of 50 Ohms. Please keep tracks from module to antenna connector as short as possible. If more than a few millimetres track length is needed, the tracks must be impedance controlled (e.g. microstrip line). Please remember that the signal frequency is over 1 GHz. For connecting the antenna, a SMA or MCX connector should be used. On request, GNS can offer RF-support regarding PCB design.

5.6 ADS-B antenna

Depending on the application, a small rod antenna of just 20cm length can be used. This will provide a range of up to 350km around your location. However, using a high gain antenna will offer much more range and continuous tracking. Both types of antenna are available from GNS. For antenna installation, it's important to know that ADS-B signals will spread linearly only. Any obstacles like buildings, mountains or woods will mute or even totally block ADS-B signals. Antenna should be mounted to have an unobstructed "view" in all directions from a raised location.

ATTENTION: Risk of fire and injury ! For any raised mounted antenna constructions like roof antennas or aerial masts, it's mandatory to follow the rules for lightning protection. In case of doubt please consult a professional specialist

6 ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATION

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Value	Unit
Supply voltage range: V_{dd}	0 to 5.5	V
DC Input voltage to antenna input ¹	-0.3 to V_{dd}	V
Input voltage to all other pins	-0.3 to 4	V
Operating ambient temperature range	-20 to +70	°C
Storage temperature range	-40 to +85	°C

6.2 Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
V_{dd}	4.3	5.0	5.5	V	Power-supply voltage
High level output voltage V_{OH}	2.4		3.3	V	IOU _T = 8 mA, pins 5,7,9
Low level output voltage V_{OL}	0		0.4	V	IOU _T = 8 mA, pins 5,7,9
High-level input voltage V_{IH}	1.8		4.0	V	pins 6,8,10
Low-level input voltage V_{IL}	0		1.2	V	pins 6,8,10
Operating temperature	-20		70	°C	Full specified performance

6.3 Characteristics

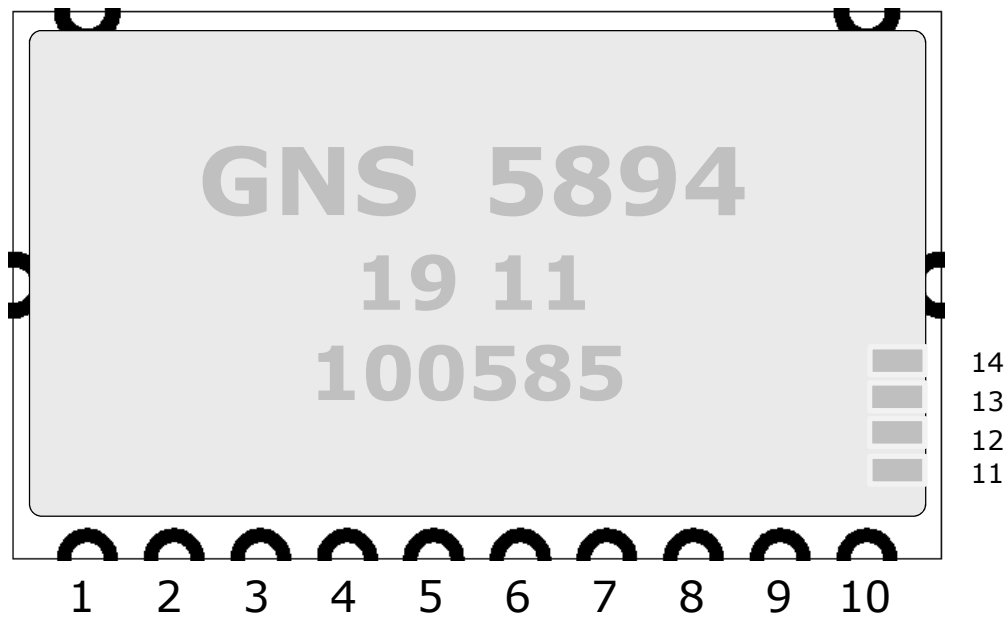
Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
general					
Frequency		1090		MHz	ADS-B – mode S
Output data frequency		3		MBit/sec	Uart baudrate
UART baud deviation			0.1	%	
sensitivity	-105		+5	dBm	Frame detection level
Power consumption					
Current full operation		70	75	mA	
Supply voltage	4.3	5.0	5.5	V	

6.4 RF input characteristics

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
Input impedance		50		Ω	
Maximum input level			+5	dBm	before destruction
Input return loss		-11		dB	

7 DEVICE PINOUT DIAGRAM

TOP VIEW



NO	NAME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
1	RF Gnd	G	RF Ground
2	RF in	Ana	RF input
3	Gnd	G	Supply Ground
4	Vdd	P	Supply voltage 5.0V
5	F_ind	O	Frame indicator
6	RESET	I	Reset input
7	RTS	O	UART Ready to Send
8	CTS	I	UART Clear to Send
9	UART Tx	O	UART Serial data out
10	UART Rx	I	UART Serial data in
11	RFU1	I	Reserved for Future Use. Leave open or connect to gnd.
12	RFU2	I	Reserved for Future Use. Leave open or connect to gnd.
13	RFU3	I	Reserved for Future Use. Leave open or connect to gnd.
14	RFU4	I	Reserved for Future Use. Leave open or connect to gnd.

G=Ground; Ana = analogue; P=power supply; O= dig. Output; I=digital Input

8 ADS-B DATA

The output data format is ASCII ADS-B text format and compatible with many common software applications.

There are 25 possible types that will be all available, but for Virtual Radar applications, type 11 and 17&18 (extended squitter) are most important.

The following table shows all types in a short form. For further information, please refer to ADS-B specifications, for example the publications from ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization).

Mode-S reply available sentences								
DF	Type						content	
00000	VS:1	7	RI:4	2	AC:13	AP:24	Short air-air surveillance (ACAS)	
00001	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
00010	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
00011	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
00100	FS:3	DR:5	UM:6	AC:13		AP:24	Surveillance, altitude reply	
00101	FS:3	DR:5	UM:6	ID:13		AP:24	Surveillance, identify reply	
00110	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
00111	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01000	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01001	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01010	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01011	CA:3		AA:24			PI:24	All-call reply	
01100	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01101	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01110	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
01111	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
10000	VS:1	7	RI:4	2	AC:13	MV:56	AP:24	Long air-air surveillance (ACAS)
10001	CA:3	AA:24		ME:56		PI:24	Extended squitter	
10010	CF:3	AA:24		ME:56		PI:24	Extended squitter/non transponder	
10011	AF:3	104						Military extended squitter
10100	FS:3	DR:5	UM:6	AC:13	MB:56	AP:24	Comm-B, altitude reply	
10101	FS:3	DR:5	UM:6	ID:13	MB:56	AP:24	Comm-B, identify reply	
10110	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved for military use
10111	27 or 83						P:24	Reserved
11xxx	1	KE:1	ND:4	MD:80		AP:24	Comm-D (ELM)	

AA:Address announced ; AC:Altitude code ; AF:Application field ; AP:Address/parity ; AQ:Acquisition ; CA:Capability ; CC:Cross-link capability ; CF:Control field ; CL:Code label ; DF:Downlink format ; DI:Designator identification ; DR:Downlink request ; DS:Data selector ; ELM:Extended length message ; FS:Flight status ; IC:Interrogator code ; ID:Identità ; KE:Control, ELM ; MA:Message, Comm-A ; MB:Message, Comm-B ; MC:Message, Comm-C ; MD:Message, Comm-D ; ME:Message, extended squitter ; MU:Message, ACAS ; MV:Message, ACAS ; NC:Number of C-segment ; ND:Number of D-segment ; PC:Protocol ; PI:Parity/interrogator identifier ; PR:Probability of reply ; RC:Reply control ; RI:Reply information ; RL:Reply length ; RR:Reply request ; SD:Special designator ; UF:Uplink format ; UM:Utility message ; VS:Vertical status

9 COMMAND INTERFACE

Write Commands

- Commands consist always of minimum 2 ASCII characters
- 2 ASCII characters compose 1 binary command or parameter value
- Command and parameter values as well as consecutive parameter values are separated by a delimiter character '-'
- Every command starts with '#'
- Every command is finished by 'Carriage Return' (0x0D)

9.1 GNS5894 commands				
command	value	parameter	example	description
Reset Device	FF	none	#FF<CR>	HW-reset of GNS5894 is performed.
Read FW version	00	none	#00<CR>	Queries f/w version
Set ADS-B mode	43	mode#	#43-02<CR>	mode 02 (output ALL DF – data) See note 1

notes	
1	<p>GNS5894 can operate in <u>4-5</u> active modes and 1 inactive mode (Mode 0).</p> <p>Mode 0: (mode# = 00) stop data output.</p> <p>Mode 2: (mode# = 02) output all DF – Data.</p> <p>Mode 3: (mode# = 03) output DF17 / DF18 / DF19 – Data only.</p> <p>Mode 2+: (mode# = 82) output all DF – Data with additional Signal Strength Indicator.</p> <p>Mode 3+: (mode# = 83) output DF17 / DF18 / DF19 – Data only with additional Signal Strength Indicator.</p> <p>Mode 4: (mode# = x4) output DF17 / DF18 / DF19 – Data with correct CRC-checksum only.</p>

Command Replies

- Replies consist always of 16 binary values, each value formed of 2 ASCII characters
- Consecutive values are separated by a delimiter character '-'
- Every reply starts with '#'
- Every reply is finished by 'Line Feed + Carriage Return' (0x0A 0x0D)
- 1st and following reply values represent the echo of the previous command. Unused values are padded with '00'
- In case of command error the 1st value is 'FF'
- In case of parameter error the 2nd value is 'FF'

9.2 GNS5894 command reply examples

prev. Command	Reply	Note
#FF<CR>	#FF-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00<LF CR>	Device performs a cold start
#43-02<CR>	#43-02-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00<LF CR>	Command accepted
#00<CR>	#00-00-80-04-fw-yy-ww- 00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00<LF CR>	ww – week (HEX coded) yy – year (HEX coded) fw – firmware version
#55<CR>	#FF-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00<LF CR>	Unknown command
#43-14<CR>	#43-04-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00<LF CR>	Wrong parameter

9.3 ADS-B data frame reception

9.3.1.1 mode 2 (reception of all DF-Data)

In case of ADS-B mode 2 (reception of all DF-Data) the 56bit or 112bit raw data frames are output as 14 bytes ASCII frames , or 7 bytes ASCII frames, MSB first.

Every ASCII frame begins with an '*' and is finished by ';' + <CR><LF>.

Example:

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...
*8D4B1621994420C18804887668F9;
*02E1991058EF31;
*20000CB10D89FB;
*20001196553C25;
*02E198BFAF8676;
*02C18CB14E2D98;
*02E198BFAF8676;
*200015301CB296;
*20000F971E4582;
*200015B3EF4577;
*583E1BDABC2735;
*280008006C738F;
*5D3C5961BAAB6C;
*8D4CA27A608145305B0B09EAD8B5;
*02E19838575F0A;

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Remark:

*8D.... is DF18 **Extended squitter**
 *5D.... is DF11 **All-call reply**

9.3.1.2 mode 2+ (recept. of all DF-Data with add. Signal Strenght Indicator)

In case of ADS-B mode 2+ (reception of all DF-Data with additional Signal Strenght Indicator) the 56bit or 112bit raw data frames are output as 15 bytes ASCII frames , or 8 bytes ASCII frames, MSB first.

Every ASCII frame begins with an '+' and is finished by ';' + <CR><LF>.

The first byte following the '+' is the signal strength indicator of the current ADS-B frame.

The following bytes represent the received ADS-B data.

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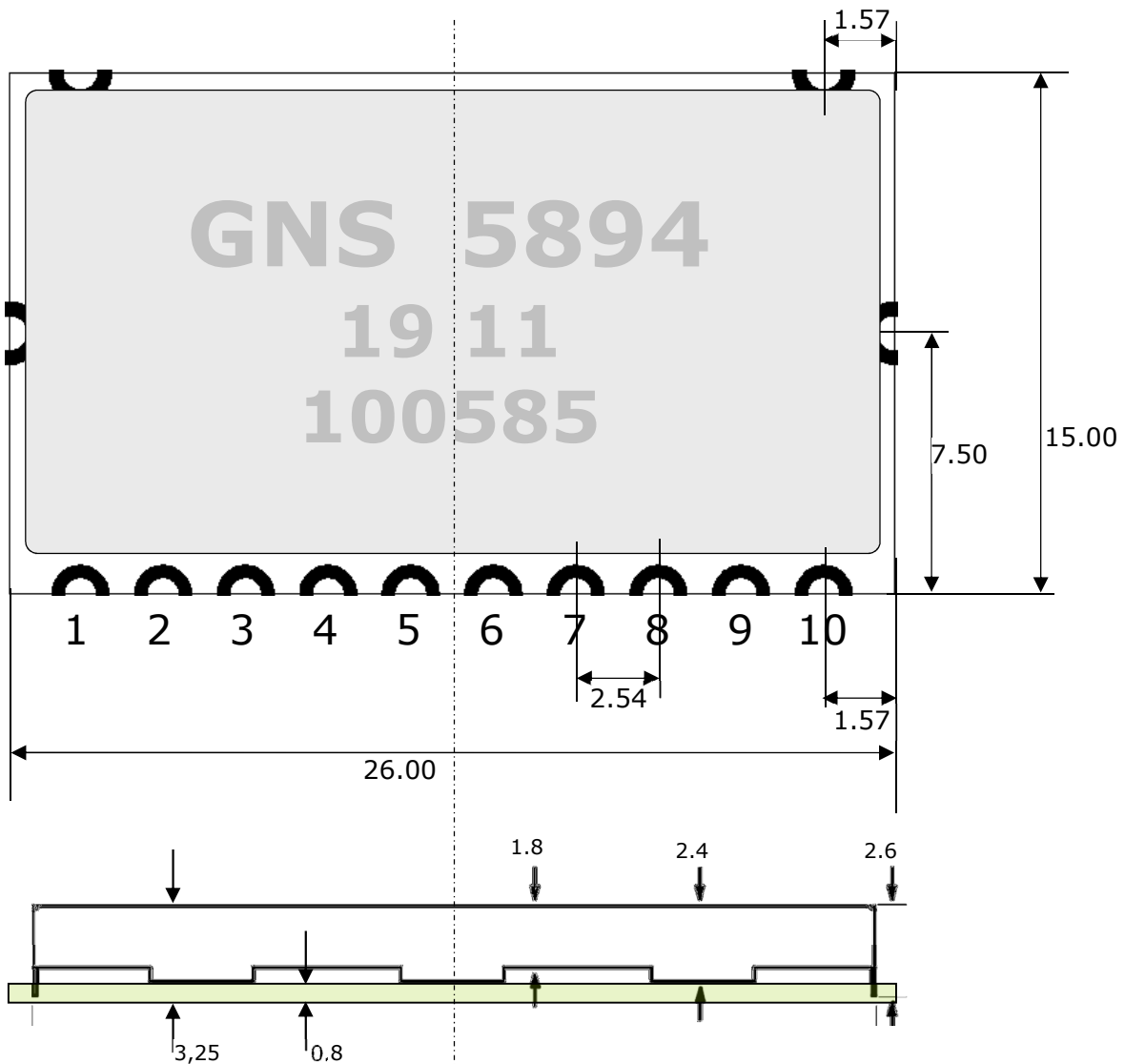
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...
+218D406AE9990D3A19B004438721F4;
+2502E197187D90C5;
+21A00015B8C2680030A800004DFECE;
+2B8F471EE1EA13A864011C087DD2A6;
+275D40622B4E91A9;
+2702E197B07628F4;
+2128000C9453B470;
+23A8000821FFF9A134BFFCE51A6E88;
+21A8000821CF9A2131200C008672C4;
+27280000BA1A7AD8;
+215DAE027297612F;
+268D4CA97E58C386190B61D17C85EE;
+27A0281718D12A1131FFDC0185BBC5;
+225D40622B4E91A9;
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+28280000BA1A7AD8;
+34A0001838E159EF30FFFC0169CC03;
+3643B09E02A6481C;
+2002A18711E53A86;
+33A0001838CA380030A80000D50B50;
+285D40622B4E91D8;
+2102A18437F6ECC7;
+34200018385D2A25;
+23A0000437201571F6058820C1EA12;
...
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Important note

The Signal Strength Indicator preceded by the data is only an indicator of the field strength of the received frame and not a measured value from which the distance to the transmitter can be derived. The range of the value is approximately between 0x20 (far distance signals) and 0xd5 (near distance signals).

10 PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS

TOP VIEW



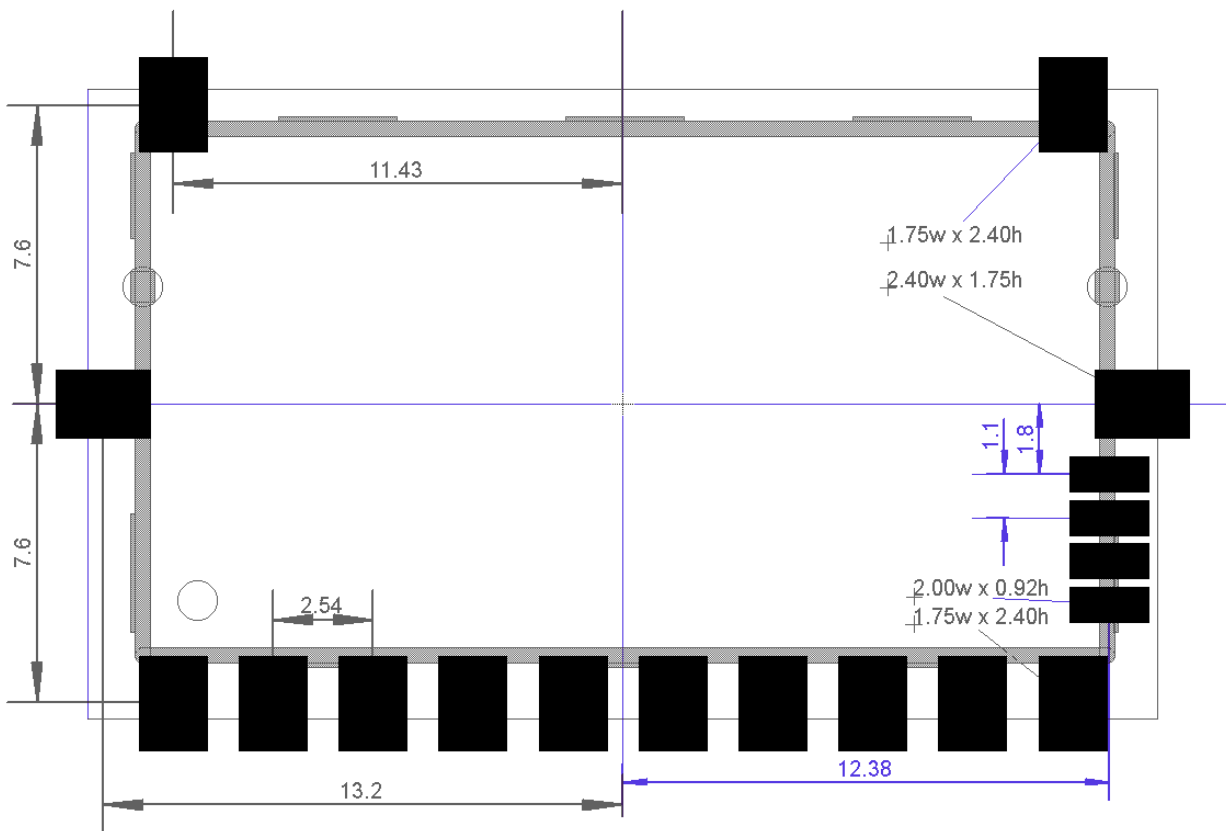
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tolerance +/- 0.1 mm



11 RECOMMENDED PAD LAYOUT

TOP VIEW



all units in mm

12 MATERIAL INFORMATION

12.1 Shield Material Information

"German Silver " , CuNi18Zn27

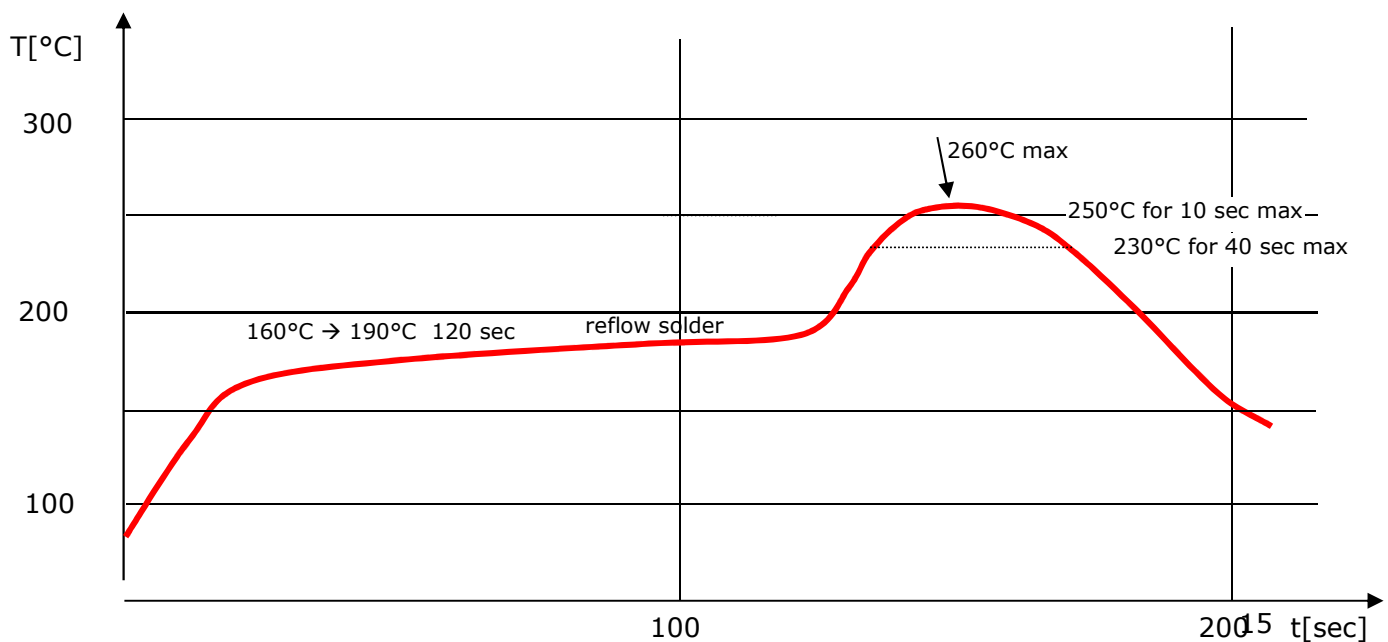
Cu: 53.5..56.5%

Ni : 16.5..19.5%

Zn : 24..30%

thickness :0.2mm

13 RECOMMENDED SOLDERING REFLOW PROFILE

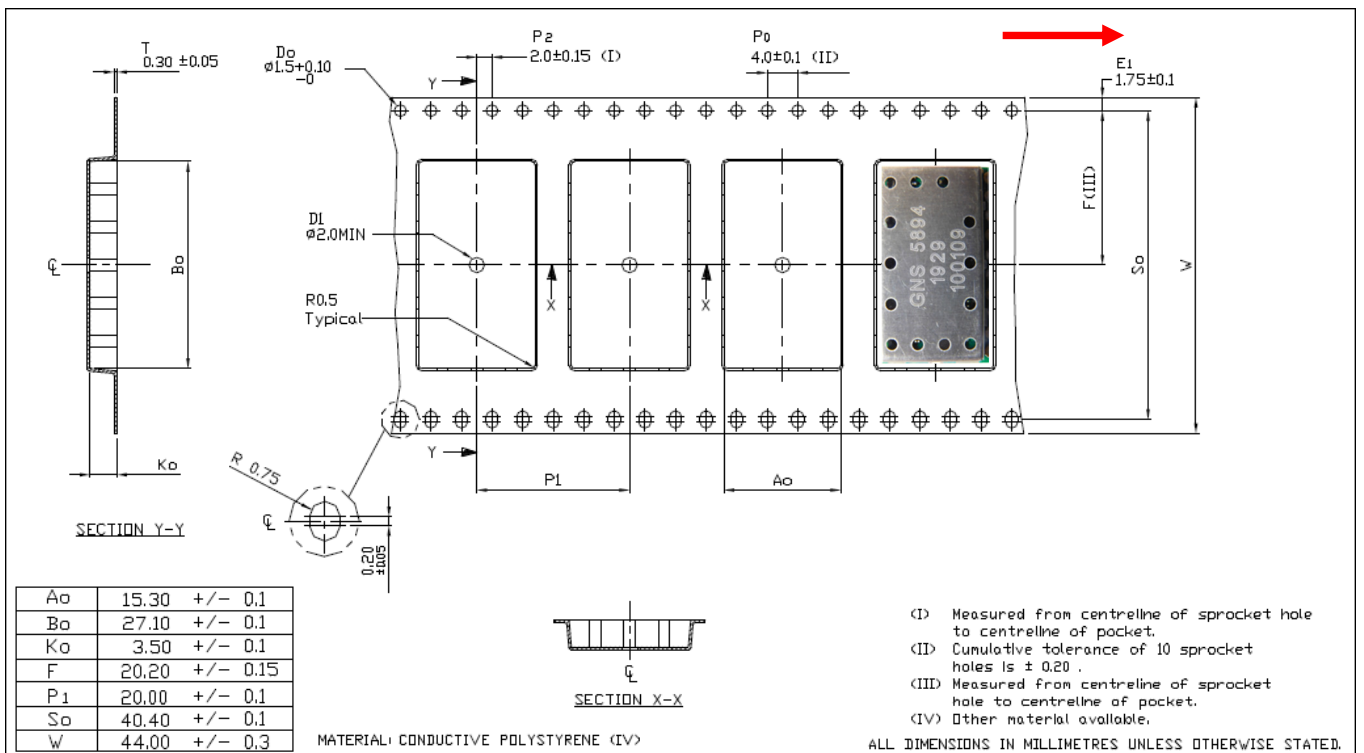


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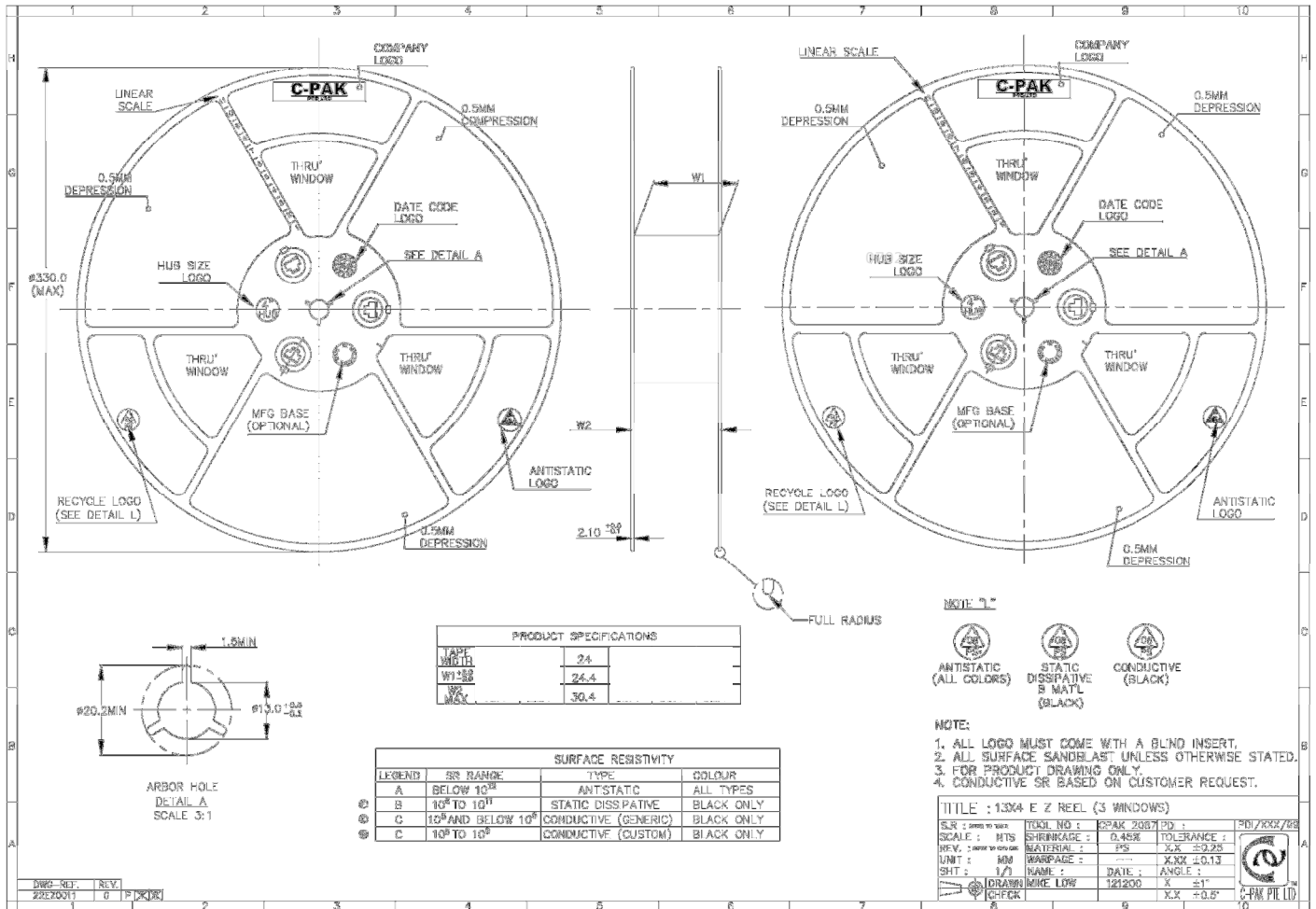
1. GNS5894 should be soldered in upright soldering position. In case of head-over soldering, please prevent shielding / GNS5894 Module from falling down.
2. Do never exceed maximum peak temperature
3. Reflow cycles allowed : 1 time
4. Do not solder with Pb-Sn or other solder containing lead (Pb)
5. This device is not applicable for flow solder processing
6. This device is not applicable for solder iron process

14 TAPE INFORMATION

Component orientation:
arrow shows open-end
direction of tape



15 REEL INFORMATION



no. of devices : 500 pcs / reel

16 ORDERING INFORMATION

Ordering information			
Type	Part#	Laser marking	Description
GNS 5894 ADS-B module	4037735104793	GNS 5894 <yy cw> <serial#>	ADS-B serial module

17 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

This product is free of environmental hazardous substances and complies to “RoHS II” 2011/95/EU (Recast 2002/95/EG) and further applicable Delegated Directive 2015/863/EU. (“RoHS III”).

18 MOISTURE SENSITIVITY

Shelf life	Unlimited
Storage conditions	≤30 °C/85%RH
Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL)	3
Possible prebake recommendations	None

19 DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY

V0.1	Sep 13 2019	M.Heinzel	initial
V0.2	Sep 16 2019	SL / CD / MH	Minor changes and additions
V0.3	Sep 17 2019	M.Heinzel	Correction of ‘Electrical Specification’ section
V0.4	Nov 7 2019	M.Heinzel	4 additional connections reserved for future expansions. Improved functionality through use of a TCXO.

20 DISCLAIMER

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