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The product must be powered by a stable voltage source, while the wiring must conform to security precautions and fire prevention regulations.



Proper ESD handling procedures must be followed throughout the mounting, handling and operation of any devices and equipment incorporating the module to avoid ESD damages.



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1 Introduction

This document provides information on the steps needed to evaluate Quectel GNSS modules using the Evaluation Board (GNSS-MODULE EVB). GNSS-SAA-KIT is an evaluation board kit designed for standard precision GNSS modules.

1.1. Applicable Modules

Table 1: Applicable Modules

Module Family	Module
-	L26-DR Series
-	L89 R2.0
-	LC26G-T (AA)
-	LC260Z (00)
-	LC76G Series
LC76xZ	LC760Z (00)
LC/0XZ	LC762Z (00)
-	LC79H (AL)
-	LC86G Series
-	LG69T (AA)

NOTE

The above applicable modules are for reference only. For details, see <u>document [1] list of EVB applicable</u> <u>modules</u>.



2 General Overview

2.1. **EVB Kit**

The EVB kit includes:

- GNSS-MODULE EVB
- USB Type-C cable
- Dual-band active GNSS antenna
- Bolts and coupling nuts

MCU (GD32F470ZIT6), which is shipped with pre-burned firmware, is embedded in the GNSS-MODULE EVB. You can directly test and evaluate Quectel GNSS modules after acquiring the EVB kit and the corresponding module TE-A(s) (Please note that the module TE-A must be purchased separately).

The EVB kit components are shown in the figure below. For details, see *Table 2: List of Kit Components*.

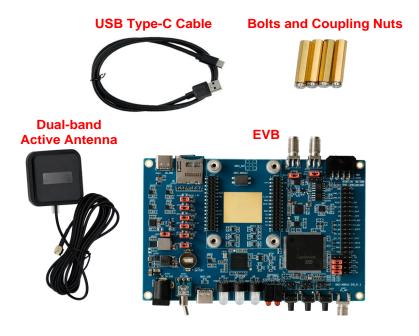


Figure 1: EVB Kit Components



Table 2: List of Kit Components

Item	Description	Quantity
EVB	GNSS-MODULE EVB Size: 120 mm × 80 mm	1
USB Cable	USB Type-C Cable	1
GNSS Antenna	Dual-band Active Antenna: YB0017AA or YEGB000Q1A	1
Other	Bolts and Coupling Nuts	4 pairs

NOTE

- 1. The GNSS module TE-A is not included in GNSS-SAA-KIT and must be ordered separately according to your requirements.
- 2. For details about Quectel active GNSS antenna and EVB schematics, contact Quectel Technical Support (support@quectel.com).

2.2. Connect Kit Components and Module TE-A to EVB

To test a GNSS module with the EVB you must order the corresponding GNSS module TE-A. Before using the EVB, ensure that the (red) jumper caps are connected correctly as shown in the figure below.



Figure 2: GNSS Module TE-A and Kit Components Mounted on EVB



NOTE

Make sure that the active GNSS antenna is placed with a clear line of sight to the sky.



3 Quick Start

This chapter provides a step-by-step guide for setting up and testing standard precision GNSS positioning modules using the GNSS-MODULE EVB. The LC76G (AB) module is used as an example.

3.1. Set up Test Environment

Before testing the standard precision GNSS positioning modules, set up the test environment as follows:

Step 1: Install the required software to your PC. The software includes:

USB-to-serial port driver for EVB.

For Windows 10 and Windows 11 systems, the PC automatically recognizes and installs the USB-to-serial port driver.

If the PC does not automatically install the driver, you should manually install the USB-to-serial port driver of the USB-to-UART bridge chip (FT4232HAQ) (*click to download*).

QGNSS tool (V2.1 or higher).

Download the QGNSS tool .zip file (*click to download*) to your PC, extract the contents, and run the executable file to start the tool.

Step 2: Set up the GNSS-MODULE EVB connections. Make sure that connections to related interfaces (as shown in *Figure 3: EVB Interfaces*) are properly configured.

- Install the GNSS module TE-A onto the EVB and connect the GNSS antenna to the GNSS antenna connector on TE-A (Note that the module TE-A must be purchased separately).
- Use USB Type-C cable to connect the GNSS-USB port (J0506) and your PC.
- Insert SD card into the SD socket (J0701) if you need to save log data.
- Place all jumper caps in the exact positions shown in the figure below.
- Power on the EVB using the power switch (S0503).



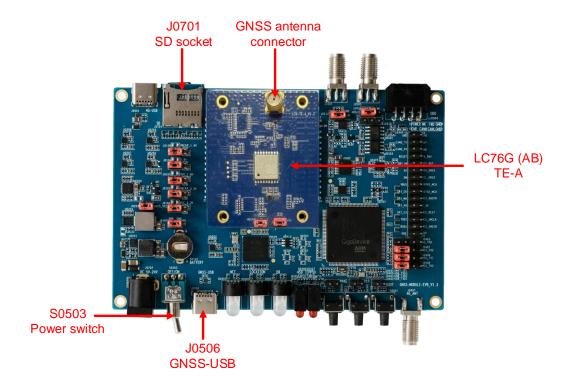


Figure 3: EVB Interfaces

- **Step 3:** Check the module's operating status preliminarily against the EVB's LED indicators. As shown in the figure below, observe D0507 (1PPS/TXD1 indication LED) and D0509 (SD/3V3 indication LED).
 - Red D0509: SD indication LED. Flashing means SD card is storing data and extinct means SD card is not storing data.
 - Green D0509: 3V3 indication LED. Bright means VCC power supply for module is powered and extinct means VCC power supply for module is not powered.
 - Red D0507: 1PPS indication LED. Flashing means 1PPS signal output and extinct means 1PPS is unavailable.
 - Green D0507: TXD1 indication LED. Flashing means data output from UART1 TXD and bright/extinct means no data output from UART1 TXD.



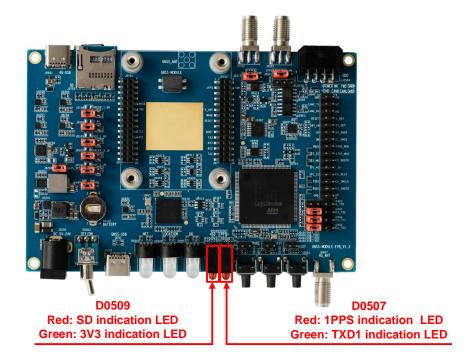


Figure 4: Indication LEDs on EVB

NOTE

- Make sure that jumper caps are positioned as in <u>Figure 3: EVB Interfaces</u> before using the EVB for testing.
- 2. For more information about the QGNSS tool, see <u>document [2] QGNSS user guide</u>.

3.2. Operation Steps

Once the test environment is set up as explained in <u>Chapter 3.1 Set up Test Environment</u>, connect the GNSS-MODULE EVB to your PC as follows:

Step 1: After the driver is installed, the PC's Device Manager displays four consecutive COM ports with randomly assigned port numbers. The port with the smallest number (COM17) corresponds to the UART of the LC76G (AB) module. Several other serial ports are unused and reserved for future use.

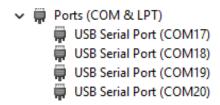


Figure 5: COM Ports in Device Manager



Step 2: Double click *QGNSS.exe* to run the QGNSS tool. Click to navigate to the "Device Information" window, change the module model, port, and baud rate, and then click "OK" to connect the QGNSS tool and the GNSS module on the EVB.

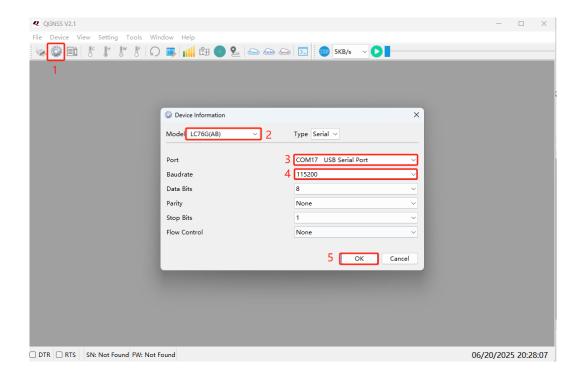


Figure 6: Device Information Window

Step 3: If the connection is successful, the QGNSS tool will display data as shown in the following figure. The QGNSS tool supports many functions, such as displaying real-time positioning results, firmware version and raw data from UART. For more details, see <u>document [2] QGNSS user guide</u>.



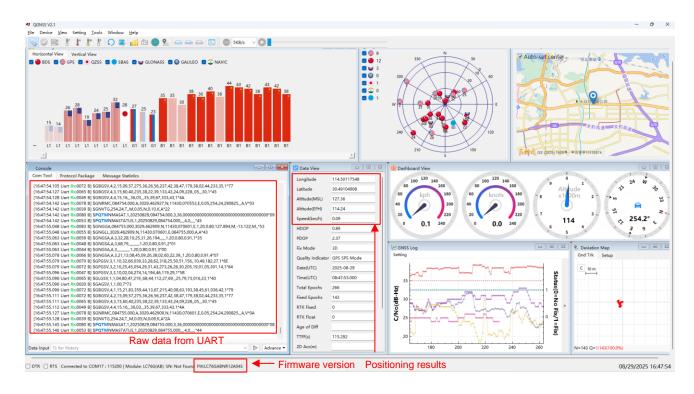


Figure 7: QGNSS Tool Displaying GNSS Module Data

Step 4: QGNSS tool supports saving log files in the <QGNSS version>VogFile\ directory (e.g., QGNSS_V2.1VogFile\) by default. To check raw data from UART while the QGNSS tool is running, you can click in the QGNSS tool to open the folder.

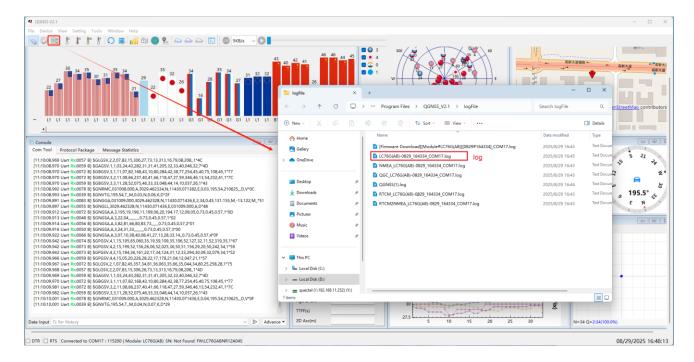


Figure 8: Access Log Data in QGNSS Tool



NOTE

During testing and verification, place the GNSS antenna in an outdoor area with an unobstructed view of the sky.



4 EVB Block Diagram

Block diagram of GNSS-MODULE EVB includes:

- USB-to-UART bridge chip (FT4232HAQ),
- GNSS module interfaces, and
- Peripheral interfaces.

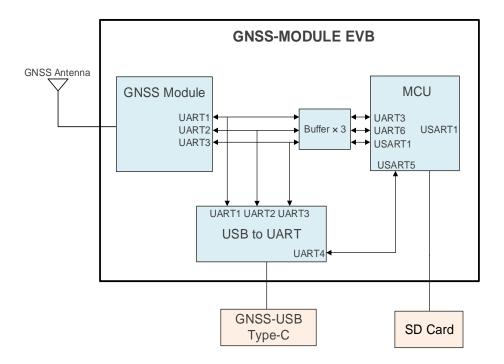


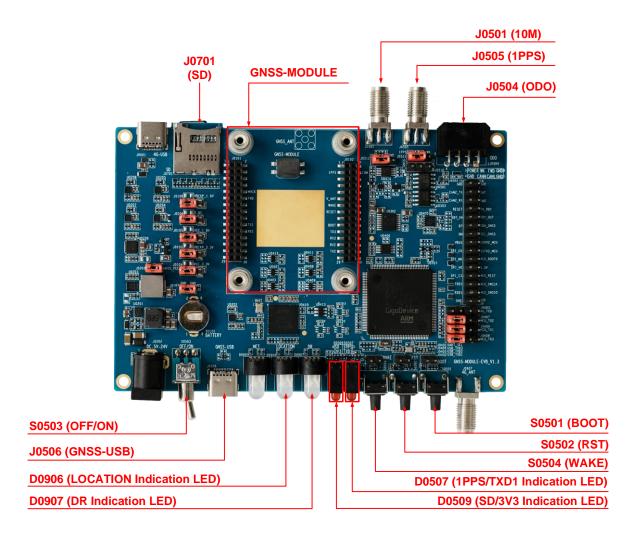
Figure 9: EVB Block Diagram



5 EVB Interfaces

5.1. EVB Top and Bottom Views

EVB top view is shown in the figure below.

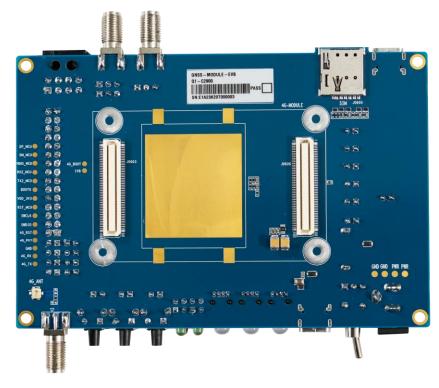


Note:

Peripheral interfaces or indicators not marked in red are not applicable to GNSS-SAA-KIT.

Figure 10: EVB Top View





Note: Peripheral interfaces or indicators not marked in red are not applicable to GNSS-SAA-KIT.

Figure 11: EVB Bottom View

5.2. EVB Interfaces

The EVB interfaces are detailed in the table below.

Table 3: EVB Interface Descriptions

Function	Interfaces	Description	Remark
Power Supply	J0506 GNSS-USB	 EVB power supply: 4.5–5.5 V, typ. 5.0 V Current capability: > 500 mA 	
Communication Interface	J0506 GNSS-USB	Supports data transmission and firmware upgrade for GNSS module.	
SMA Connector	J0505 1PPS	Used for outputting 1PPS signal.	
	J0501	Used for outputting 10 MHz signal.	



Function	Interfaces		Description	Remark
	10M			
Signal Indication	D0906 LOCATION Indication LED		Red: Successful GNSS positioning.	
	D0907 DR Indication LED		Red: Not calibrated.Green: Calibration in progress.Blue: Calibrated.	
	D0509 Indication LED 3V3		 Red: Flashing: SD card is storing data. Extinct: SD card is not storing data. 	
			 Green: Bright: VCC power supply for module is powered. Extinct: VCC power supply for module is not powered. 	
	1F	1PPS	Red:Flashing: 1PPS signal output.Extinct: 1PPS is unavailable.	
	D0507 Indication LED TXD1		 Green: Flashing: Data output from UART1 TXD. Bright/Extinct: No data output from UART1 TXD. 	
	S0503 OFF/ON		Powers the EVB on/off. When the switch is turned to the right ("ON"), the EVB is turned on.	
Switch and	S0504 WAKE		Short press to wake up the GNSS module.	
Buttons	S0502 RST		Short press to reset the GNSS module.	
	S0501 BOOT		Press and hold before EVB is powered on to set the module to Boot download mode.	
Other	J0504 ODO		Used to input WHEELTICK and FWD signals, and inject vehicle speed information into GNSS module via CAN interface.	See <u>Chapter 5.2.1</u> J0504 (ODO Interface) Description for details.
	J0701 SD Card Slot		SD socket for inserting an SD card used to store GNSS log data.	



5.2.1. J0504 (ODO Interface) Description

J0504 pin assignment is shown below.

POWER (5)	WK (6)	FWD (7)	GND (8)
GND (4)	CANH (3)	CANL (2)	GND (1)

J0504 interface pin description is provided below:

Table 4: J0504 Pin Description

Pin Name	I/O	Description
POWER	PI	Supply power for GNSS module
WK	DI	WHEELTICK: Odometer/Wheel-tick pulse input
FWD	DI	Forward/Backward status signal input
GND	-	Ground
GND	-	Ground
CANL	DIO	CAN transceiver low line
CANH	DIO	CAN transceiver high line
GND	-	Ground



6 EVB and Antenna Installation

6.1. GNSS Antenna Installation

GNSS antenna installation requirements:

- The installation environment affects antenna reception quality and satellite visibility, which in turn affect the positioning performance of a GNSS receiver.
- Antenna's position and direction can also impact its reception quality. Therefore, it is important to avoid obstacles and interference when installing the antenna.
 - For automotive applications, it is recommended to fix the antenna firmly on the roof of the car, as shown in the figure below. Place the ceramic patch antenna horizontally and make sure it radiates toward the sky.
- Ensure that the antenna cable is undamaged, as any damage to the cable may affect reception quality and test results.
- If dynamic testing is required, make sure that the antenna is firmly fixed to the device under test. No
 relative movement or vibration between the antenna and device is allowed.

For more information about GNSS antenna installation, see <u>document [3] GNSS antenna application note</u>.

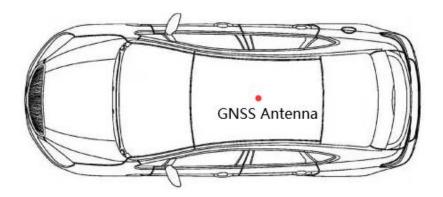


Figure 12: GNSS Antenna Installation



6.2. EVB Installation

If dynamic testing and DR performance testing are required, make sure the EVB is firmly fixed to the device under test to prevent any movement or vibration.

Keep the EVB at a sufficient distance from the GNSS antenna to prevent MCU crystal oscillator harmonics from interfering with antenna performance.



7 Common Issues and Troubleshooting

- COM port is not detected in the Device Manager when EVB is connected to your PC via a USB cable.
 - Verify if the EVB communication interface is properly connected to the PC.
 - Verify if the USB-to-serial driver for FT4232HAQ has been installed successfully.
- 2. Communication interface is not outputting any messages or commands.
 - Verify if the power supply indication LED on the EVB is illuminated.
 - Verify if the (red) jumper caps are connected correctly, as shown in <u>Figure 2: GNSS Module TE-A and Kit Components Mounted on EVB.</u>
 - Check the module power supply status via the D0509 power indicator. If the green LED is extinct, the module has not been powered up correctly.
- 3. Module is unable to search for satellite signals.
 - If there is no transponder indoors, test the module in an open-sky environment.
- 4. Module is unable to enter download mode or upgrade mode.
 - Check if the downloaded firmware is correct.
 - Check if the S0501 (BOOT) or S0502 (RST) button has been successfully pressed.
 - Verify if the correct COM port is selected.
- 5. GNSS data is still output when the jumper cap on J0104 (VCC_3.3V) is removed.
 - Check whether J0103 (VBCKP_3.3V) and J0104 (VCC_3.3V) are shorted through a jumper cap on GNSS TE-A.

NOTE

For the issues that cannot be solved, you can contact Quectel Technical Support (support@quectel.com).



8 Cautions

- Make sure to conduct tests in the same environment when comparing different parameters of GNSS modules.
- 2. Ensure that the measurement method is correct. If there are significant differences between parameters tested via EVB and those provided by Quectel, contact Quectel Technical Support.
- 3. Note that momentary data obtained from measurement cannot always be regarded as reference data, because it may be affected by various factors, such as satellite positions at different times, environmental conditions, temperature, humidity and altitude.



9 Appendix References

Table 5: Related Documents

Document Name	
[1] Quectel List of EVB Applicable Modules	
[2] Quectel_QGNSS_User_Guide	

[3] Quectel_GNSS_Antenna_Application_Note

Table 6: Terms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
1PPS	One Pulse Per Second
COM Port	Communication Port
DI	Digital Input
DO	Digital Output
DR	Dead Reckoning
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
EVB	Evaluation Board
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
I/O	Input/Output
LED	Light Emitting Diode
MCU	Microcontroller Unit
ODO	Odometer
PC	Personal Computer



Abbreviation	Description
PI	Power Input
РО	Power Output
RF	Radio Frequency
RXD	Receive Data (Pin)
SD Card	Secure Digital Card
SMA	SubMiniature Version A
TXD	Transmit Data (Pin)
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
USART	Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
USB	Universal Serial Bus