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**LwGPS**

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Welcome to the documentation for version latest-develop.

LwGPS is lightweight, platform independent library to parse NMEA statements from GPS receivers. It is highly optimized for embedded systems.

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## **FEATURES**

- Written in C (C11)
- Platform independent, easy to use
- Built-in support for 4 GPS statements
  - GPGLA or GNGGA: GPS fix data
  - GPGSA or GNGSA: GPS active satellites and dillusion of position
  - GPGSV or GNGSV: List of satellites in view zone
  - GPRMC or GNRMC: Recommended minimum specific GPS/Transit data
- Optional `float` or `double` floating point units
- Low-level layer is separated from application layer, thus allows you to add custom communication with GPS device
- Works with operating systems
- Works with different communication interfaces
- User friendly MIT license





## REQUIREMENTS

- C compiler
- Driver for receiving data from GPS receiver
- Few *kB* of non-volatile memory



## CONTRIBUTE

Fresh contributions are always welcome. Simple instructions to proceed:

1. Fork Github repository
2. Respect `C style & coding rules` used by the library
3. Create a pull request to `develop` branch with new features or bug fixes

Alternatively you may:

1. Report a bug
2. Ask for a feature request



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### 5.1 Getting started

Getting started may be the most challenging part of every new library. This guide is describing how to start with the library quickly and effectively

#### 5.1.1 Download library

Library is primarily hosted on [Github](#).

You can get it by:

- Downloading latest release from [releases area](#) on Github
- Cloning `main` branch for latest stable version
- Cloning `develop` branch for latest development

#### Download from releases

All releases are available on Github [releases area](#).

#### Clone from Github

##### First-time clone

This is used when you do not have yet local copy on your machine.

- Make sure `git` is installed.
- Open console and navigate to path in the system to clone repository to. Use command `cd your_path`
- Clone repository with one of available options below
  - Run `git clone --recurse-submodules https://github.com/MaJerle/lwgps` command to clone entire repository, including submodules
  - Run `git clone --recurse-submodules --branch develop https://github.com/MaJerle/lwgps` to clone *development* branch, including submodules
  - Run `git clone --recurse-submodules --branch main https://github.com/MaJerle/lwgps` to clone *latest stable* branch, including submodules
- Navigate to `examples` directory and run favourite example

## Update cloned to latest version

- Open console and navigate to path in the system where your repository is located. Use command `cd your_path`
- Run `git pull origin main` command to get latest changes on main branch
- Run `git pull origin develop` command to get latest changes on develop branch
- Run `git submodule update --init --remote` to update submodules to latest version

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**Note:** This is preferred option to use when you want to evaluate library and run prepared examples. Repository consists of multiple submodules which can be automatically downloaded when cloning and pulling changes from root repository.

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### 5.1.2 Add library to project

At this point it is assumed that you have successfully download library, either cloned it or from releases page. Next step is to add the library to the project, by means of source files to compiler inputs and header files in search path.

*CMake* is the main supported build system. Package comes with the `CMakeLists.txt` and `library.cmake` files, both located in the `lwgps` directory:

- `CMakeLists.txt`: Is a wrapper and only includes `library.cmake` file. It is used if target application uses `add_subdirectory` and then uses `target_link_libraries` to include the library in the project
- `library.cmake`: It is a fully configured set of variables. User must use `include(path/to/library.cmake)` to include the library and must manually add files/includes to the final target

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**Tip:** Open `library.cmake` file and manually analyze all the possible variables you can set for full functionality.

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If you do not use the *CMake*, you can do the following:

- Copy `lwgps` folder to your project, it contains library files
- Add `lwgps/src/include` folder to *include path* of your toolchain. This is where *C/C++* compiler can find the files during compilation process. Usually using `-I` flag
- Add source files from `lwgps/src/` folder to toolchain build. These files are built by *C/C++* compiler. *CMake* configuration comes with the library, allows users to include library in the project as **subdirectory** and **library**.
- Copy `lwgps/src/include/lwgps/lwgps_opts_template.h` to project folder and rename it to `lwgps_opts.h`
- Build the project

### 5.1.3 Configuration file

Configuration file is used to overwrite default settings defined for the essential use case. Library comes with template config file, which can be modified according to the application needs. and it should be copied (or simply renamed in-place) and named `lwgps_opts.h`

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**Note:** Default configuration template file location: `lwgps/src/include/lwgps/lwgps_opts_template.h`. File must be renamed to `lwgps_opts.h` first and then copied to the project directory where compiler include paths have

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access to it by using `#include "lwgps_opts.h"`.

**Tip:** If you are using *CMake* build system, define the variable `LWGPS_OPTS_FILE` before adding library's directory to the *CMake* project. Variable must contain the path to the user options file. If not provided and to avoid build error, one will be generated in the build directory.

Configuration options list is available available in the *Configuration* section. If any option is about to be modified, it should be done in configuration file

Listing 1: Template configuration file

```

1  /**
2   * \file          lwgps_opts_template.h
3   * \brief         LwGPS configuration file
4   */
5
6  /**
7   * Copyright (c) 2024 Tilen MAJERLE
8   *
9   * Permission is hereby granted, free of charge, to any person
10  * obtaining a copy of this software and associated documentation
11  * files (the "Software"), to deal in the Software without restriction,
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25  * WHETHER IN AN ACTION OF CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE, ARISING
26  * FROM, OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE SOFTWARE OR THE USE OR
27  * OTHER DEALINGS IN THE SOFTWARE.
28  *
29  * This file is part of LwGPS - Lightweight GPS NMEA parser library.
30  *
31  * Author:          Tilen MAJERLE <tilen@majerle.eu>
32  * Version:         v2.2.0
33  */
34  #ifndef LWGPS_OPTS_HDR_H
35  #define LWGPS_OPTS_HDR_H
36
37  /* Rename this file to "lwgps_opts.h" for your application */
38
39  /*
40   * Open "include/lwgps/lwgps_opt.h" and

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41  * copy & replace here settings you want to change values
42  */
43
44  #endif /* LWGPS_OPTS_HDR_H */

```

**Note:** If you prefer to avoid using configuration file, application must define a global symbol `LWGPS_IGNORE_USER_OPTS`, visible across entire application. This can be achieved with `-D` compiler option.

### 5.1.4 Minimal example code

To verify proper library setup, minimal example has been prepared. Run it in your main application file to verify its proper execution

Listing 2: Absolute minimum example

```

1  /**
2   * This example uses direct processing function
3   * to process dummy NMEA data from GPS receiver
4   */
5  #include <string.h>
6  #include <stdio.h>
7  #include "lwgps/lwgps.h"
8
9  /* GPS handle */
10 lwgps_t hgps;
11
12 /**
13  * \brief      Dummy data from GPS receiver
14  */
15 const char gps_rx_data[] = ""
16     "$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,
17     ↪015.5,E*6F\r\n"
18     "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n"
19     "$GPGBGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,
20     ↪M,,*75\r\n"
21     "$GPGSA,A,3,02,,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D\r\n"
22     "$GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,
23     ↪043,35*71\r\n"
24     "$GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,
25     ↪231,43*77\r\n"
26     "$PGRME,22.0,M,52.9,M,51.0,M*14\r\n"
27     "$GPGLL,3907.360,N,12102.481,W,183730,A*33\r\n"
28     "$PGRMZ,2062,f,3*2D\r\n"
29     "$PGRMM,WGS84*06\r\n"
30     "$GPBOD,,T,,M,,*47\r\n"
31     "$GPRTE,1,1,c,0*07\r\n"
32     "$GPRMC,183731,A,3907.482,N,12102.436,W,000.0,360.0,080301,
33     ↪015.5,E*67\r\n"
34     "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n";

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```
30
31 int
32 main() {
33     /* Init GPS */
34     lwgps_init(&hgps);
35
36     /* Process all input data */
37     lwgps_process(&hgps, gps_rx_data, strlen(gps_rx_data));
38
39     /* Print messages */
40     printf("Valid status: %d\r\n", hgps.is_valid);
41     printf("Latitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.latitude);
42     printf("Longitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.longitude);
43     printf("Altitude: %f meters\r\n", hgps.altitude);
44
45     return 0;
46 }
```

## 5.2 User manual

### 5.2.1 How it works

LwGPS parses raw data formatted as NMEA 0183 statements from GPS receivers. It supports up to 4 different statements:

- GPGGA or GNGGA: GPS fix data
- GPGSA or GNGSA: GPS active satellites and dillusion of position
- GPGSV or GNGSV: List of satellites in view zone
- GPRMC or GNRMC: Recommended minimum specific GPS/Transit data

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**Tip:** By changing different configuration options, it is possible to disable some statements. Check [Configuration](#) for more information.

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Application must assure to properly receive data from GPS receiver. Usually GPS receivers communicate with host embedded system with UART protocol and output directly formatted NMEA 0183 statements.

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**Note:** Application must take care of properly receive data from GPS.

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Application must use `lwgps_process()` function for data processing. Function will:

- Detect statement type, such as *GPGGA* or *GPGSV*
- Parse all the terms of specific statement
- Check valid CRC after each statement

Programmer's model is as following:

- Application receives data from GPS receiver

- Application sends data to `lwgps_process()` function
- Application uses processed data to display altitude, latitude, longitude, and other parameters

Check *Examples and demos* for typical example

### 5.2.2 Float/double precision

With configuration of `GSM_CFG_DOUBLE`, it is possible to enable double floating point precision. All floating point variables are then configured in *double precision*.

When configuration is set to `0`, floating point variables are configured in *single precision* format.

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**Note:** Single precision uses less memory in application. As a drawback, application may be a subject of data loss at latter digits.

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### 5.2.3 Thread safety

Library tends to be as simple as possible. No specific features have been implemented for thread safety.

When library is using multi-thread environment and if multi threads tend to access to shared resources, user must resolve it with care, using mutual exclusion.

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**Tip:** When single thread is dedicated for GPS processing, no special mutual exclusion is necessary.

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### 5.2.4 NMEA data refresh

LwGPS is designed to parse standard NMEA output from GPS module.

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**Tip:** You can read more about [NMEA 0183 here](#).

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GPS module outputs several NMEA statements periodically, for instance once a second. In rare cases, outputs can be even every *100ms*. The common *problem* we try to solve is what happens if application tries to access GPS parsed data, while library processed only part of new NMEA statement.

Depending on the application requirements, it is necessary to make sure data used by the application are all from the single NMEA output packet, and not split between different ones. Below are 2 examples of several statements GPS module will output every second.

First statement at any given time: `$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,015.5,E*6F $GPGGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,M,,*75 $GPGSA,A,3,02,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D $GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,043,35*71 $GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,231,43*77`

New statement after one second: `$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,015.5,E*6F $GPGGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,M,,*75 $GPGSA,A,3,02,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D $GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,043,35*71 $GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,231,43*77`

If application manages to check GPS parsed data after first packet has been processed and second didn't arrive yet, there is no issue. Application parsed data are all belonging to single packet, at specific time.

But what would happen if application starts using GPS data while GPGGA packet is being received for second time?

- Application has new GPRMC information, from new packet
- Application still keeps GPGGA, GPGSA and GPGSV data from old packets

This could be a major issue for some applications. Time, speed and position do not match anymore.

### Common approach

A common approach to this is to have a source of time in the application. A set of timeouts could determine if packet has just started, or has just been completed and is now fully filled with new data.

An algorithm would be, assuming GPS sends packet data every 1 second:

- When character comes, if time of previous character is greater than maximum time between 2 characters (let's say 10ms, even if this is a lot), this is probably start of new packet.
- If new time is >10ms since last received character, it was probably the last character.
- Application can now use new data
- Application goes to *wait new packet mode*
- Go back to step nr.1

## 5.2.5 Tests during development

During the development, test check is performed to validate raw NMEA input data vs expected result.

Listing 3: Test code for development

```

1  /*
2   * This example uses direct processing function,
3   * to process dummy NMEA data from GPS receiver
4   */
5  #include <stdio.h>
6  #include <string.h>
7  #include "lwgps/lwgps.h"
8  #include "test_common.h"
9
10 /* GPS handle */
11 lwgps_t hgps;
12
13 /**
14  * \brief      Dummy data from GPS receiver
15  */
16 const char gps_rx_data[] = ""
17     "$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,
18     ↪015.5,E*6F\r\n"
19     "$GPGGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,
20     ↪M,,*75\r\n"
21     "$GPGSA,A,3,02,,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D\r\n"
22     "$GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,
23     ↪043,35*71\r\n"
24     "$GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,

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```

22     ↪231,43*77\r\n"
23         "";
24
25 /**
26  * \brief      Run the test of raw input data
27  */
28 void
29 run_tests() {
30     lwgps_init(&hgps); /* Init GPS */
31
32     /* Process all input data */
33     lwgps_process(&hgps, gps_rx_data, strlen(gps_rx_data));
34
35     /* Run the test */
36     RUN_TEST(!INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.is_valid, 0));
37     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.fix, 1));
38     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.fix_mode, 3));
39     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.latitude, 39.1226000000));
40     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.longitude, -121.0413666666));
41     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.altitude, 646.4000000000));
42     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.course, 360.0000000000));
43     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.dop_p, 1.6000000000));
44     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.dop_h, 1.6000000000));
45     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.dop_v, 1.0000000000));
46     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.speed, 0.0000000000));
47     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.geo_sep, -24.1000000000));
48     RUN_TEST(FLT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.variation, 15.5000000000));
49     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.sats_in_view, 8));
50
51     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.sats_in_use, 5));
52     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[0], 2));
53     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[1], 0));
54     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[2], 0));
55     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[3], 7));
56     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[4], 0));
57     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[5], 9));
58     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[6], 24));
59     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[7], 26));
60     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[8], 0));
61     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[9], 0));
62     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[10], 0));
63     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.satellites_ids[11], 0));
64
65     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.date, 8));
66     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.month, 3));
67     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.year, 1));
68     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.hours, 18));
69     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.minutes, 37));
70     RUN_TEST(INT_IS_EQUAL(hgps.seconds, 30));
71 }

```

## 5.3 API reference

List of all the modules:

### 5.3.1 LwGPS

*group* **LwGPS**

Lightweight GPS NMEA parser.

#### **Defines**

##### **lwgps\_speed\_kps**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

##### **lwgps\_speed\_kph**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

##### **lwgps\_speed\_mps**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

##### **lwgps\_speed\_mpm**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

##### **lwgps\_speed\_mips**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

##### **lwgps\_speed\_mph**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_fps**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_fpm**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_mpk**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_spk**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_sp100m**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_mipm**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_spm**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_sp100y**

Backward compatibility.

*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

**lwgps\_speed\_smph**

Backward compatibility.



*Deprecated:*

Use *lwgps\_speed\_t* instead

### **lwgps\_is\_valid(\_gh)**

Check if current GPS data contain valid signal.

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**Note:** *LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPRMC* must be enabled and GPRMC statement must be sent from GPS receiver

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#### **Parameters**

- **\_gh** – [in] GPS handle

#### **Returns**

1 on success, 0 otherwise

### **Typedefs**

typedef double **lwgps\_float\_t**

GPS float definition, can be either float or double

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**Note:** Check for *LWGPS\_CFG\_DOUBLE* configuration

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typedef void (\***lwgps\_process\_fn**)(*lwgps\_statement\_t* res)

Signature for caller-supplied callback function from gps\_process.

#### **Param res**

[in] statement type of recently parsed statement

### **Enums**

enum **lwgps\_statement\_t**

ENUM of possible GPS statements parsed.

*Values:*

enumerator **STAT\_UNKNOWN** = 0

Unknown NMEA statement

enumerator **STAT\_GGA** = 1

GPGGA statement

enumerator **STAT\_GSA** = 2

GPGSA statement

enumerator **STAT\_GSV** = 3

GPGSV statement

enumerator **STAT\_RMC** = 4

GPRMC statement

enumerator **STAT\_UBX** = 5

UBX statement (uBlox specific)

enumerator **STAT\_UBX\_TIME** = 6

UBX TIME statement (uBlox specific)

enumerator **STAT\_CHECKSUM\_FAIL** = UINT8\_MAX

Special case, used when checksum fails

enum **lwgps\_speed\_t**

List of optional speed transformation from GPS values (in knots)

*Values:*

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_KPS**

Kilometers per second

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_KPH**

Kilometers per hour

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MPS**

Meters per second

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MPM**

Meters per minute

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MIPS**

Miles per second

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MPH**

Miles per hour

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_FPS**

Foots per second

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_FPM**

Foots per minute

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MPK**

Minutes per kilometer

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_SPK**

Seconds per kilometer

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_SP100M**

Seconds per 100 meters

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_MIPM**

Minutes per mile

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_SPM**

Seconds per mile

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_SP100Y**

Seconds per 100 yards

enumerator **LWGPS\_SPEED\_SMPH**

Sea miles per hour

## Functions

`uint8_t lwgps_init(lwgps_t *gh)`

Init GPS handle.

### Parameters

**ghandle** – [in] GPS handle structure

### Returns

1 on success, 0 otherwise

`uint8_t lwgps_process(lwgps_t *gh, const void *data, size_t len, lwgps_process_fn evt_fn)`

Process NMEA data from GPS receiver.

### Parameters

- **ghandle** – [in] GPS handle structure
- **data** – [in] Received data
- **len** – [in] Number of bytes to process
- **evt\_fn** – [in] Event function to notify application layer. This parameter is available only if *LWGPS\_CFG\_STATUS* is enabled

### Returns

1 on success, 0 otherwise

`uint8_t lwgps_distance_bearing(lwgps_float_t las, lwgps_float_t los, lwgps_float_t lae, lwgps_float_t loe, lwgps_float_t *d, lwgps_float_t *b)`

Calculate distance and bearing between 2 latitude and longitude coordinates.

### Parameters

- **las** – [in] Latitude start coordinate, in units of degrees
- **los** – [in] Longitude start coordinate, in units of degrees
- **lae** – [in] Latitude end coordinate, in units of degrees
- **loe** – [in] Longitude end coordinate, in units of degrees

- **d** – **[out]** Pointer to output distance in units of meters
- **b** – **[out]** Pointer to output bearing between start and end coordinate in relation to north in units of degrees

**Returns**

1 on success, 0 otherwise

*lwgps\_float\_t* **lwgps\_to\_speed**(*lwgps\_float\_t* sik, *lwgps\_speed\_t* ts)

Convert NMEA GPS speed (in knots = nautical mile per hour) to different speed format.

**Parameters**

- **sik** – **[in]** Speed in knots, received from GPS NMEA statement
- **ts** – **[in]** Target speed to convert to from knots

**Returns**

Speed calculated from knots

struct **lwgps\_sat\_t**

*#include <lwgps.h>* Satellite descriptor.

**Public Members**

uint8\_t **num**

Satellite number

uint8\_t **elevation**

Elevation value

uint16\_t **azimuth**

Azimuth in degrees

uint8\_t **snr**

Signal-to-noise ratio

struct **lwgps\_t**

*#include <lwgps.h>* GPS main structure.

**Public Members**

*lwgps\_float\_t* **latitude**

Latitude in units of degrees

*lwgps\_float\_t* **longitude**

Longitude in units of degrees

*lwgps\_float\_t* **altitude**

Altitude in units of meters

*lwgps\_float\_t* **geo\_sep**

Geoid separation in units of meters

uint8\_t **sats\_in\_use**

Number of satellites in use

uint8\_t **fix**

Fix status. 0 = invalid, 1 = GPS fix, 2 = DGPS fix, 3 = PPS fix

uint8\_t **hours**

Hours in UTC

uint8\_t **minutes**

Minutes in UTC

uint8\_t **seconds**

Seconds in UTC

*lwgps\_float\_t* **dgps\_age**

Age of DGPS correction data (in seconds)

*lwgps\_float\_t* **dop\_h**

Dolution of precision, horizontal

*lwgps\_float\_t* **dop\_v**

Dolution of precision, vertical

*lwgps\_float\_t* **dop\_p**

Dolution of precision, position

uint8\_t **fix\_mode**

Fix mode. 1 = NO fix, 2 = 2D fix, 3 = 3D fix

uint8\_t **satellites\_ids**[12]

List of satellite IDs in use. Valid range is 0 to **sats\_in\_use**

uint8\_t **sats\_in\_view**

Number of satellites in view

*lwgps\_sat\_t* **sats\_in\_view\_desc**[12]

uint8\_t **is\_valid**

GPS valid status

*lwgps\_float\_t* **speed**

Ground speed in knots

*lwgps\_float\_t* **course**

Ground coarse

*lwgps\_float\_t* **variation**

Magnetic variation

uint8\_t **date**

Fix date

uint8\_t **month**

Fix month

uint8\_t **year**

Fix year

*lwgps\_float\_t* **utc\_tow**

UTC TimeOfWeek, eg 113851.00

uint16\_t **utc\_wk**

UTC week number, continues beyond 1023

uint8\_t **leap\_sec**

UTC leap seconds; UTC + leap\_sec = TAI

uint32\_t **clk\_bias**

Receiver clock bias, eg 1930035

*lwgps\_float\_t* **clk\_drift**

Receiver clock drift, eg -2660.664

uint32\_t **tp\_gran**

Time pulse granularity, eg 43

### 5.3.2 Configuration

This is the default configuration of the middleware. When any of the settings shall be modified, it shall be done in dedicated application config `lwgps_opts.h` file.

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**Note:** Check *Getting started* to create configuration file.

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group **LWGPS\_OPT**

Default configuration setup.

## Defines

### LWGPS\_CFG\_DOUBLE

Enables 1 or disables 0 double precision for floating point values such as latitude, longitude, altitude. double is used as variable type when enabled, float when disabled.

### LWGPS\_CFG\_STATUS

Enables 1 or disables 0 status reporting callback by *lwgps\_process*.

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**Note:** This is an extension, so not enabled by default.

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### LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPGGA

Enables 1 or disables 0 GGA statement parsing.

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**Note:** This statement must be enabled to parse:

- Latitude, Longitude, Altitude
  - Number of satellites in use, fix (no fix, GPS, DGPS), UTC time
- 

### LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPGSA

Enables 1 or disables 0 GSA statement parsing.

---

**Note:** This statement must be enabled to parse:

- Position/Vertical/Horizontal dilution of precision
  - Fix mode (no fix, 2D, 3D fix)
  - IDs of satellites in use
- 

### LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPRMC

Enables 1 or disables 0 RMC statement parsing.

---

**Note:** This statement must be enabled to parse:

- Validity of GPS signal
  - Ground speed in knots and course in degrees
  - Magnetic variation
  - UTC date
- 

### LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPGSV

Enables 1 or disables 0 GSV statement parsing.

---

**Note:** This statement must be enabled to parse:

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- Number of satellites in view
  - Optional details of each satellite in view. See *LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPGSV\_SAT\_DET*
- 

### **LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_GPGSV\_SAT\_DET**

Enables 1 or disables 0 detailed parsing of each satellite in view for GSV statement.

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**Note:** When this feature is disabled, only number of “satellites in view” is parsed

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### **LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_PUBX**

Enables 1 or disables 0 parsing and generation of PUBX (uBlox) messages.

PUBX are a nonstandard ublox-specific extensions, so disabled by default.

### **LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_PUBX\_TIME**

Enables 1 or disables 0 parsing and generation of PUBX (uBlox) TIME messages.

This is a nonstandard ublox-specific extension, so disabled by default.

This configure option requires LWGPS\_CFG\_STATEMENT\_PUBX

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**Note:** TIME messages can be used to obtain:

- UTC time of week
  - UTC week number
  - Leap seconds (allows conversion to eg. TAI)
- 

### **LWGPS\_CFG\_CRC**

Enables 1 or disables 0 CRC calculation and check.

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**Note:** When not enabled, CRC check is ignored

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### **LWESP\_CFG\_DISTANCE\_BEARING**

Enables 1 or disables 0 distance and bearing calculation.

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**Note:** When not enabled, corresponding function is disabled

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### **LWGPS\_MEMSET(dst, val, len)**

Memory set function.

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**Note:** Function footprint is the same as memset

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**LWGPS\_MEMCPY**(dst, src, len)

Memory copy function.

**Note:** Function footprint is the same as memcpy

## 5.4 Examples and demos

There are several basic examples provided with the library.

### 5.4.1 Parse block of data

In this example, block of data is prepared as big string array and sent to processing function in single shot. Application can then check if GPS signal has been detected as valid and use other data accordingly.

Listing 4: Minimum example code

```

1  /**
2   * This example uses direct processing function
3   * to process dummy NMEA data from GPS receiver
4   */
5  #include <string.h>
6  #include <stdio.h>
7  #include "lwgps/lwgps.h"
8
9  /* GPS handle */
10 lwgps_t hgps;
11
12 /**
13  * \brief      Dummy data from GPS receiver
14  */
15 const char gps_rx_data[] = ""
16     "$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,
17     ↪015.5,E*6F\r\n"
18     "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n"
19     "$GPGGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,
20     ↪M,,*75\r\n"
21     "$GPGSA,A,3,02,,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D\r\n"
22     "$GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,
23     ↪043,35*71\r\n"
24     "$GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,
25     ↪231,43*77\r\n"
26     "$PGRME,22.0,M,52.9,M,51.0,M*14\r\n"
27     "$GPGLL,3907.360,N,12102.481,W,183730,A*33\r\n"
28     "$PGRMZ,2062,f,3*2D\r\n"
29     "$PGRMM,WGS84*06\r\n"
30     "$GPBOD,,T,,M,,*47\r\n"
31     "$GPRTE,1,1,c,0*07\r\n"
32     "$GPRMC,183731,A,3907.482,N,12102.436,W,000.0,360.0,080301,
33     ↪015.5,E*67\r\n"

```

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```

29         "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n";
30
31 int
32 main() {
33     /* Init GPS */
34     lwgps_init(&hgps);
35
36     /* Process all input data */
37     lwgps_process(&hgps, gps_rx_data, strlen(gps_rx_data));
38
39     /* Print messages */
40     printf("Valid status: %d\r\n", hgps.is_valid);
41     printf("Latitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.latitude);
42     printf("Longitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.longitude);
43     printf("Altitude: %f meters\r\n", hgps.altitude);
44
45     return 0;
46 }

```

### 5.4.2 Parse received data from interrupt/DMA

Second example is a typical use case with interrupts on embedded systems. For each received character, application uses ringbuff as intermediate buffer. Data are later processed outside interrupt context.

**Note:** For the sake of this example, application *implements* interrupts as function call in *while loop*.

Listing 5: Example of buffer

```

1  #include "lwgps/lwgps.h"
2  #include "lwrp/lwrp.h"
3  #include <string.h>
4
5  /* GPS handle */
6  lwgps_t hgps;
7
8  /* GPS buffer */
9  lwrp_t hgps_buff;
10 uint8_t hgps_buff_data[12];
11
12 /**
13  * \brief          Dummy data from GPS receiver
14  * \note          This data are used to fake UART receive event on microcontroller
15  */
16 const char
17 gps_rx_data[] = ""
18     "$GPRMC,183729,A,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,000.0,360.0,080301,015.5,E*6F\r\n"
19     "↪"
20     "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n"
21     "$GPGGA,183730,3907.356,N,12102.482,W,1,05,1.6,646.4,M,-24.1,M,,*75\r\n"

```

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```

21         "$GPGSA,A,3,02,,,07,,09,24,26,,,,,1.6,1.6,1.0*3D\r\n"
22         "$GPGSV,2,1,08,02,43,088,38,04,42,145,00,05,11,291,00,07,60,043,35*71\r\n"
23     ↪ ""
24         "$GPGSV,2,2,08,08,02,145,00,09,46,303,47,24,16,178,32,26,18,231,43*77\r\n"
25     ↪ ""
26         "$PGRME,22.0,M,52.9,M,51.0,M*14\r\n"
27         "$GPGLL,3907.360,N,12102.481,W,183730,A*33\r\n"
28         "$PGRMZ,2062,f,3*2D\r\n"
29         "$PGRMM,WGS84*06\r\n"
30         "$GPBOD,,T,,M,,*47\r\n"
31         "$GPRTE,1,1,c,0*07\r\n"
32         "$GPRMC,183731,A,3907.482,N,12102.436,W,000.0,360.0,080301,015.5,E*67\r\n"
33     ↪ ""
34         "$GPRMB,A,,,,,,,,,,,,,V*71\r\n";
35 static size_t write_ptr;
36 static void uart_irqhandler(void);
37
38 int
39 main() {
40     uint8_t rx;
41
42     /* Init GPS */
43     lwgps_init(&hgps);
44
45     /* Create buffer for received data */
46     lwrp_init(&hgps_buff, hgps_buff_data, sizeof(hgps_buff_data));
47
48     while (1) {
49         /* Add new character to buffer */
50         /* Fake UART interrupt handler on host microcontroller */
51         uart_irqhandler();
52
53         /* Process all input data */
54         /* Read from buffer byte-by-byte and call processing function */
55         if (lwrp_get_full(&hgps_buff)) { /* Check if anything in buffer now */
56             while (lwrp_read(&hgps_buff, &rx, 1) == 1) {
57                 lwgps_process(&hgps, &rx, 1); /* Process byte-by-byte */
58             }
59         } else {
60             /* Print all data after successful processing */
61             printf("Latitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.latitude);
62             printf("Longitude: %f degrees\r\n", hgps.longitude);
63             printf("Altitude: %f meters\r\n", hgps.altitude);
64             break;
65         }
66     }
67
68     return 0;
69 }
70
71 /**
72  * \brief          Interrupt handler routing for UART received character

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70  * \note          This is not real MCU, it is software method, called from main
71  */
72  static void
73  uart_irqhandler(void) {
74      /* Make interrupt handler as fast as possible */
75      /* Only write to received buffer and process later */
76      if (write_ptr < strlen(gps_rx_data)) {
77          /* Write to buffer only */
78          lwrb_write(&hgps_buff, &gps_rx_data[write_ptr], 1);
79          ++write_ptr;
80      }
81  }

```

### 5.4.3 Distance and bearing

Library provides calculation of distance and bearing between 2 coordinates on earth. This is useful if used with autonomous devices to understand in which direction device has to move to reach end point while knowing start coordinate.

Listing 6: Distance and bearing calculation

```

1  #include "lwgps/lwgps.h"
2
3  /* Distance and bearing results */
4  lwgps_float_t dist, bear;
5
6  /* New York coordinates */
7  lwgps_float_t lat1 = 40.685721;
8  lwgps_float_t lon1 = -73.820465;
9
10 /* Munich coordinates */
11 lwgps_float_t lat2 = 48.150906;
12 lwgps_float_t lon2 = 11.554176;
13
14 /* Go from New York to Munich */
15 /* Calculate distance and bearing related to north */
16 lwgps_distance_bearing(lat1, lon1, lat2, lon2, &dist, &bear);
17 printf("Distance: %f meters\r\n", (float)dist);
18 printf("Initial bearing: %f degrees\r\n", (float)bear);
19
20 /* Go from Munich to New York */
21 /* Calculate distance and bearing related to north */
22 lwgps_distance_bearing(lat2, lon2, lat1, lon1, &dist, &bear);
23 printf("Distance: %f meters\r\n", (float)dist);
24 printf("Initial bearing: %f degrees\r\n", (float)bear);

```

## 5.5 Changelog

```
# Changelog

## Develop

- Add support for differential GPS last time

## v2.2.0

- Split `CMakeLists.txt` files between library and executable
- Change license year to `2023`
- Add `.clang-format` draft
- Deprecate lowercase `lwgps_speed_xxx` enumeration. Temporary implement macro to keep
  ↪ backward compatibility. Will be removed in next major release
- Improve `C++` port

## v2.1.0

- Add configuration settings to be consistend with other LwXX libraries
- Apply code style settings with Artistic style options

## v2.0.0

- Break compatibility with v1.x
- Function prefix set to `lwgps_`
- Macros prefix set to `LWGPS_`
- Added support for PUBX Ublox statement

## v1.1.0

- Use pre-increment instead of post-increment
- Remove buffer library and propose ringbuff instead
- Other code style enhancements

## v1.0.0

- Initial release
```

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