3DM-GX4-15™

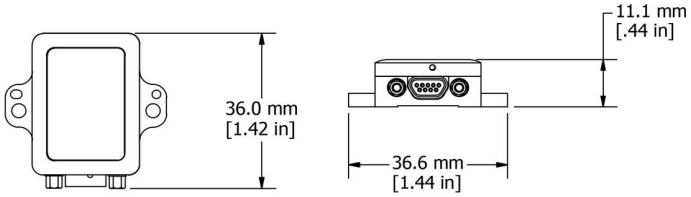
Inertial Measurement and Vertical Reference Unit (IMU/VRU)

3DM-GX4-15™ - *miniature industrial-grade inertial measurement unit (IMU) and vertical reference unit (VRU) with high noise immunity, and exceptional performance*

The **LORD MicroStrain® 3DM-GX4®** family of **industrial grade inertial sensors** provides a wide range of triaxial inertial measurements and computed attitude and navigation solutions.

In all models, the Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) includes direct measurement of acceleration, angular rate, and atmospheric pressure. Sensor measurements are processed through a sophisticated estimation filter algorithm to produce high accuracy computed outputs with compensation options for magnetic and linear acceleration anomalies, sensor biases, auto-zero update, and noise offsets. The computed outputs vary between models and can include pitch, roll, yaw, a complete attitude, heading, and reference solution (AHRS) or a complete position, velocity and attitude solution (PVA), as well as integrated GPS outputs. All sensors are fully temperature compensated and calibrated over the operating temperature. The use of Micro- Electro- Mechanical System (MEMS) technology allows for highly accurate, small, lightweight devices.

The LORD MicroStrain® **MIP™ Monitor** software can be used for device configuration, real time measurement monitoring, and data recording. Alternatively, the **MIP™ Data Communications Protocol** is available for users who want to develop customized software solutions.



Best in Class Inertial Measurement

Product Highlights

- High performance integrated MEMS sensor technology provide direct and computed IMU and VRU outputs in a small package.
- Triaxial accelerometer, gyroscope, temperature sensors, and a pressure altimeter achieve the best combination of measurement qualities.
- Dual on-board processors run a sophisticated Adaptive Kalman Filter (AKF) for excellent static and dynamic inclination estimates and inertial measurements.

Features and Benefits

Best in Class Performance

- Fully calibrated, temperature compensated, and mathematically aligned to an orthogonal coordinate system for highly accurate outputs
- Bias tracking, error estimation, threshold flags, and adaptive noise modeling allow for fine tuning to conditions in each application.
- High performance, low drift gyros with noise density of 0.005°/sec/√Hz and VRE of 0.001°/s/g^2RMS
- Smallest and lightest industrial IMU/VRU available

Ease of Use

- Easy integration via comprehensive SDK
- Common protocol with the 3DM-GX3® and 3DM-RQ1-45™ sensor families for easy migration

Cost Effective

- Out-of-the box solution reduces development time.
- Volume discounts

Applications

- Platform stabilization, artificial horizon
- Antenna and camera pointing
- Health and usage monitoring of vehicles

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SENSING SYSTEMS

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Specifications

General		
Integrated sensors	Triaxial accelerometer, triaxial gyroscope, temperature sensors, and pressure altimeter	
Data outputs	**Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) outputs:** acceleration, angular rate, ambient pressure, deltaTheta, deltaVelocity **Computed outputs** **Adaptive Kalman Filter (AKF):** filter status, GPS timestamp, attitude estimates (Euler angles, quaternion, orientation matrix), bias compensated angular rate, pressure altitude, gravity-free linear acceleration, attitude uncertainties, gyroscope and accelerometer bias, scale factors and uncertainties, gravity and magnetic models, and more. **Complementary Filter (CF):** attitude estimates (Euler angles, quaternion, orientation matrix), stabilized gravity vector, GPS correlation timestamp	
Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) Sensor Outputs		
	Accelerometer	**Gyroscope**
Measurement range	±5 *g* (standard) ±16*g* (option)	300°/sec (standard) ±75, ±150, ±900 °/sec (options)
Non-linearity	±0.03 % fs	±0.03 % fs
Resolution	<0.1 m*g*	<0.008°/sec
Bias instability	±0.04 m*g*	10°/hr
Initial bias error	±0.002 *g*	±0.05°/sec
Scale factor stability	±0.05 %	±0.05 %
Noise density	100 µg/√Hz	0.005°/sec/√Hz
Alignment error	±0.05°	±0.05°
Adjustable bandwidth	225 Hz (max)	250 Hz (max)
Offset error over temperature	0.06% (typ)	0.05% (typ)
Gain error over temperature	0.05% (typ)	0.05% (typ)
Scale factor non-linearity (@ 25° C)	0.02% (typ) 0.06% (max)	0.02% (typ) 0.06% (max)
Vibration induced noise	--	0.072°/s RMS/*g* RMS
Vibration rectification error (VRE)	--	0.001°/s/g^2 RMS
IMU filtering	4 stage filtering: Analog bandwidth filter to digital sigma-delta wide band anti-aliasing filter to digital averaging filter (user adjustable) sampled at 4 kHz, and scaled into physical units; coning and sculling integrals computed at 1 kHz	
Sampling rate	4 kHz	4 kHz
IMU data output rate	1 Hz to 1000 Hz	
Pressure Altimeter		
Range	-1800 m to 10,000 m	
Resolution	< 0.1 m	
Noise density	0.01 hPa RMS	
Sampling rate	10 Hz	

Computed Outputs	
Roll and pitch accuracy	AKF outputs: ±0.25° RMS (typ) CF outputs: ±0.5° roll, pitch, and heading (static, typ), ±2.0° roll, pitch, and heading (dynamic, typ)
Roll and pitch range	360° about all axes
Roll and pitch resolution	< 0.01°
Roll and pitch repeatability	0.3° (typ)
Calculation update rate	500 Hz
Computed data output rate	AKF outputs: 1 Hz to 500 Hz CF outputs: 1 Hz to 1000 Hz
Operating Parameters	
Communication	USB 2.0 (full speed) RS232 (9,600 bps to 921,600 bps, default 115,200)
Power source	+ 3.2 to + 36 V dc
Power consumption	100 mA (typ),120 mA (max) with Vpri = 3.2 V dc to 5.5 V dc 550 mW (typ), 800 mW (max) with Vaux = 5.2 V dc to 36 V dc
Operating temperature	-40 °C to +85 °C
Mechanical shock limit	500 *g* (calibration unaffected) 1000 *g* (bias may change) 5000 *g* (survivability)
MTBF	1.2 million hours (Telcordia method I, GL/35C) 0.45 million hours (Telcordia method I, GM/35C)
Physical Specifications	
Dimensions	36.0 mm x 24.4 mm x 11.1 mm (excluding mounting tabs), 36.6 mm (width across tabs)
Weight	16.5 grams
Regulatory compliance	ROHS, CE
Integration	
Connectors	Data/power output: micro-DB9
Software	MIP™ Monitor, Windows XP/Vista/7/8 compatible
Compatibility	Protocol compatibility with 3DM-GX3® and 3DM-RQ1-45™ sensor families.
Software development kit (SDK)	MIP™ data communications protocol with sample code available (OS and computing platform independent)

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