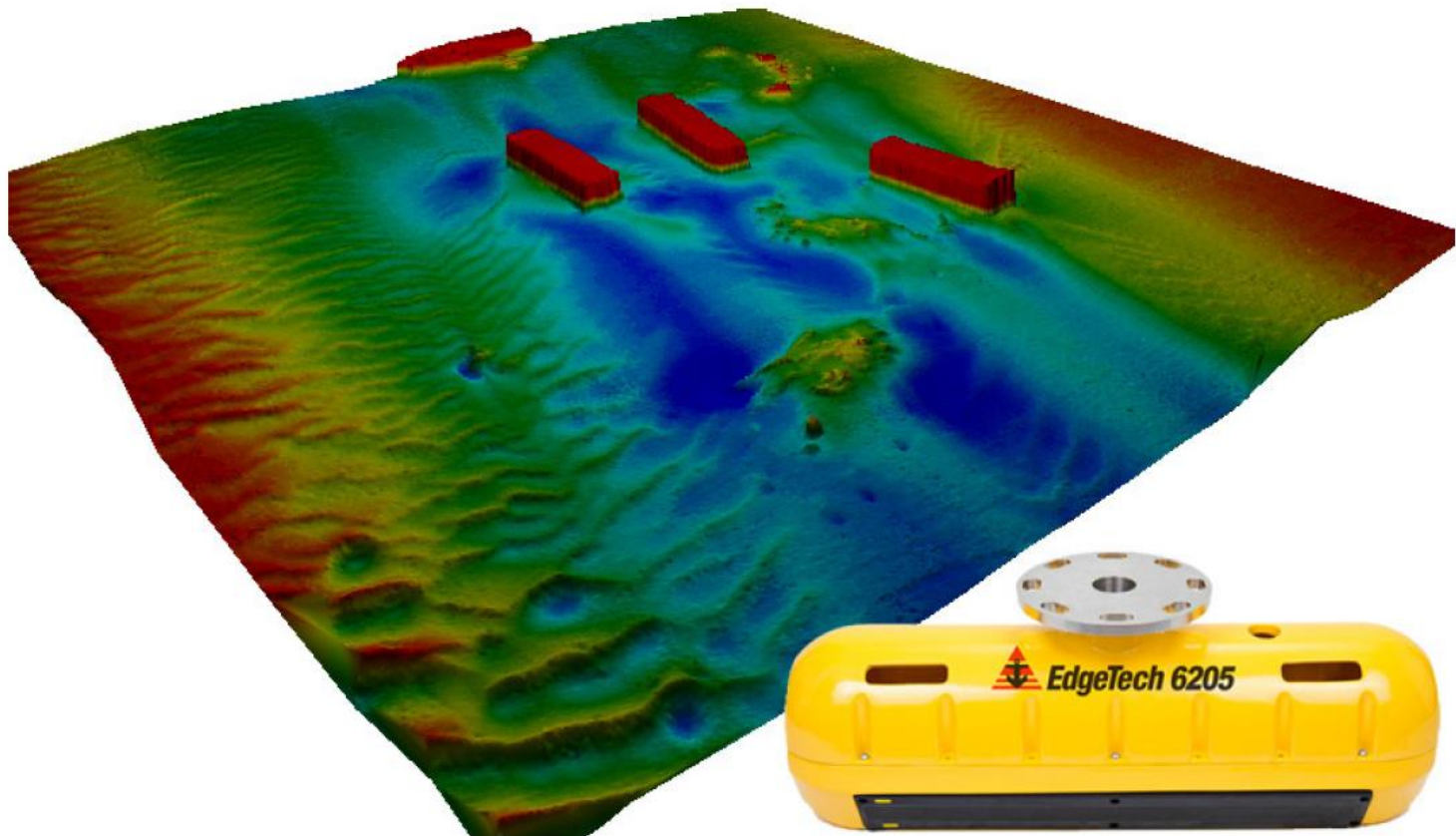


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The company has responded to the needs of the scientific, Naval, and offshore communities by providing equipment—such as sub-bottom profilers, side scan sonar, acoustic releases, USBL positioning systems, and bathymetric systems—that have become standards in the industry.

EdgeTech has also consistently anticipated and responded to future needs through an active research and development program. Current efforts are focused on the application of cutting-edge CHIRP and acoustic technology.

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SECTION 1: OVERVIEW

The EdgeTech 6205 is a combined, fully-integrated, swath bathymetry and dual frequency side scan sonar system. The 6205 uses multiple receive element transducers, and one discrete transmit element, to produce real-time high-resolution 3D maps of the seafloor, and provide co-registered, simultaneous dual frequency side scan and bathymetric data. The high number of channels enables superb rejection of multi-path effects, reverberation, and acoustic noise.

The 6205 provides bathymetry and dual frequency side scan, operating at 230/550 kHz or 550/1600 kHz. Bathymetry data are obtained on either the 230 kHz or the 550 kHz frequency, while the Side Scan imagery is collected simultaneously on both frequencies. The sonar electronics and arrays are mounted onto a streamline body that is deployed over-the-bow or side of a survey vessel. Sonar data is transferred from the transceiver to the processing unit on board via an Ethernet network interface.

The standard configuration for the 6205 includes an integrated sound velocity sensor. The system can interface with standard DGPS/RTK systems, MRUs, SVPs, CTDs, Altimeters, and Gyros—altogether offering a powerful and versatile acquisition system that is suitable for many different applications.

1.1 Supplied Components

The following components come standard with the 6205 System:

- 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Head
- 20m (65ft) Deck Cable
- Sound Velocity Sensor (SVS) [Located in the Sonar Head]
- Large Pelican Hardigg™ Shipping Case
- 6205-R 19-inch Rack Mount Interface Box
- EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software
- Electronic Copy of the Manualsc
- 6205 Tool Kit



Figure 1-1: 6205-P Portable Topside Interface Box

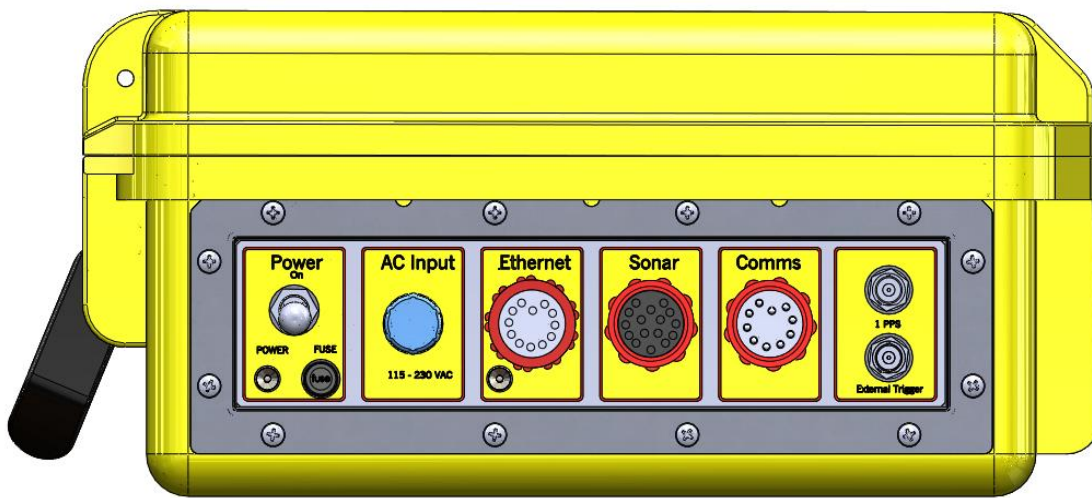


Figure 1-2: 6205-P Portable Topside Interface Box, Side View

1.2 Optional Equipment

- Arrays for field exchangeable frequency operations
- 6205-P Portable Topside with Laptop; loaded with EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software
- Spares Kit

1.3 Software Description

EdgeTech's DISCOVER Bathymetric Software Acquisition package provides a way to control, store, and display the Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar data. Data is presented on a customizable colored waterfall display and are stored in JSF format on the hard disk of the Topside Processor.

For more information on the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC software, refer to its manual (P/N 0014878).

1.4 Mechanical Drawings

This section contains supporting drawings for the 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar System:

6205 SONAR HEAD DRAWING – A A

6205 SONAR HEAD – B

6205 SONAR HEAD DRAWING – C

- 6205 Acoustic Center parts A and B
- 6205 Deck Cable Wiring Diagram
- 6205-P Portable Topside Interface Box Diagram

6205 ARRAY COLOR CODES DIAGRAM

NOTE: *Sonar Head Drawing A, C and D reference **FIGURE 1-7**. The drawing was segmented for this manual to allow for easier viewing.*

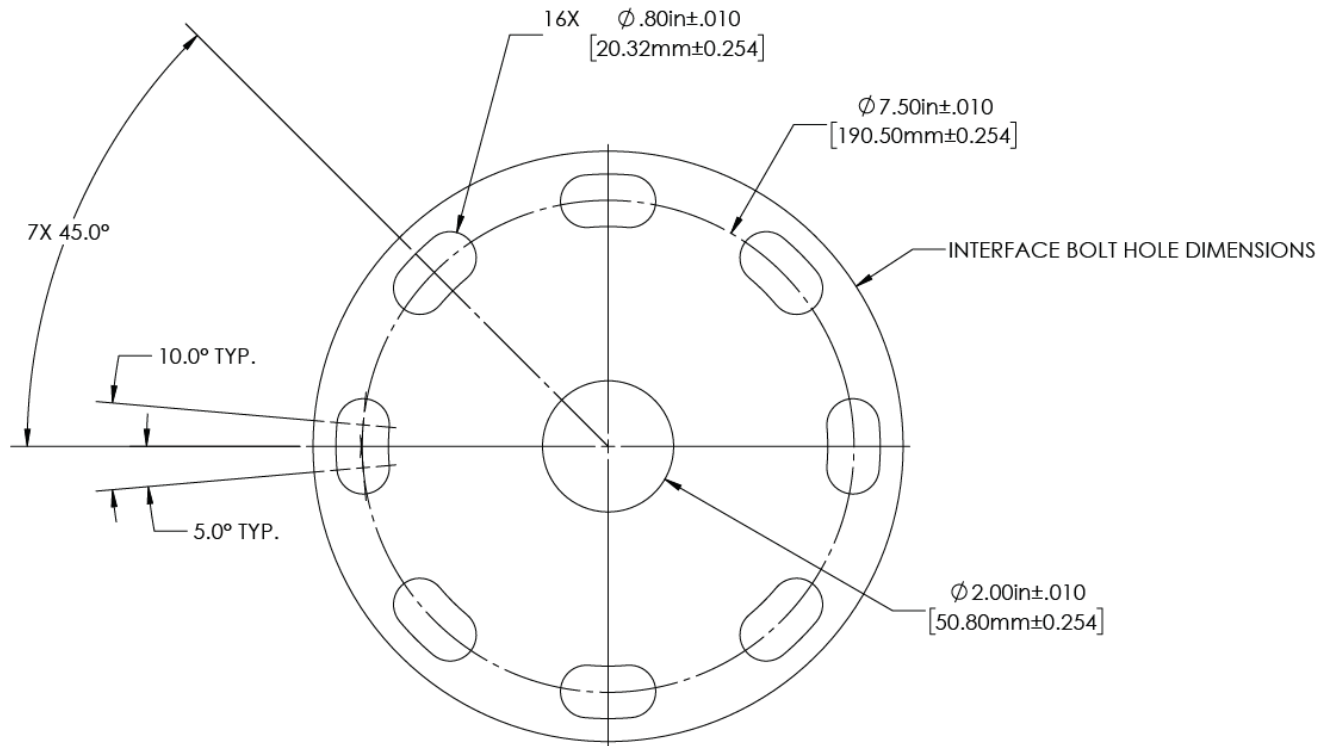


Figure 1-3: 6205 Sonar Head Drawing – A



Figure 1-4: 6205 Sonar Head – B

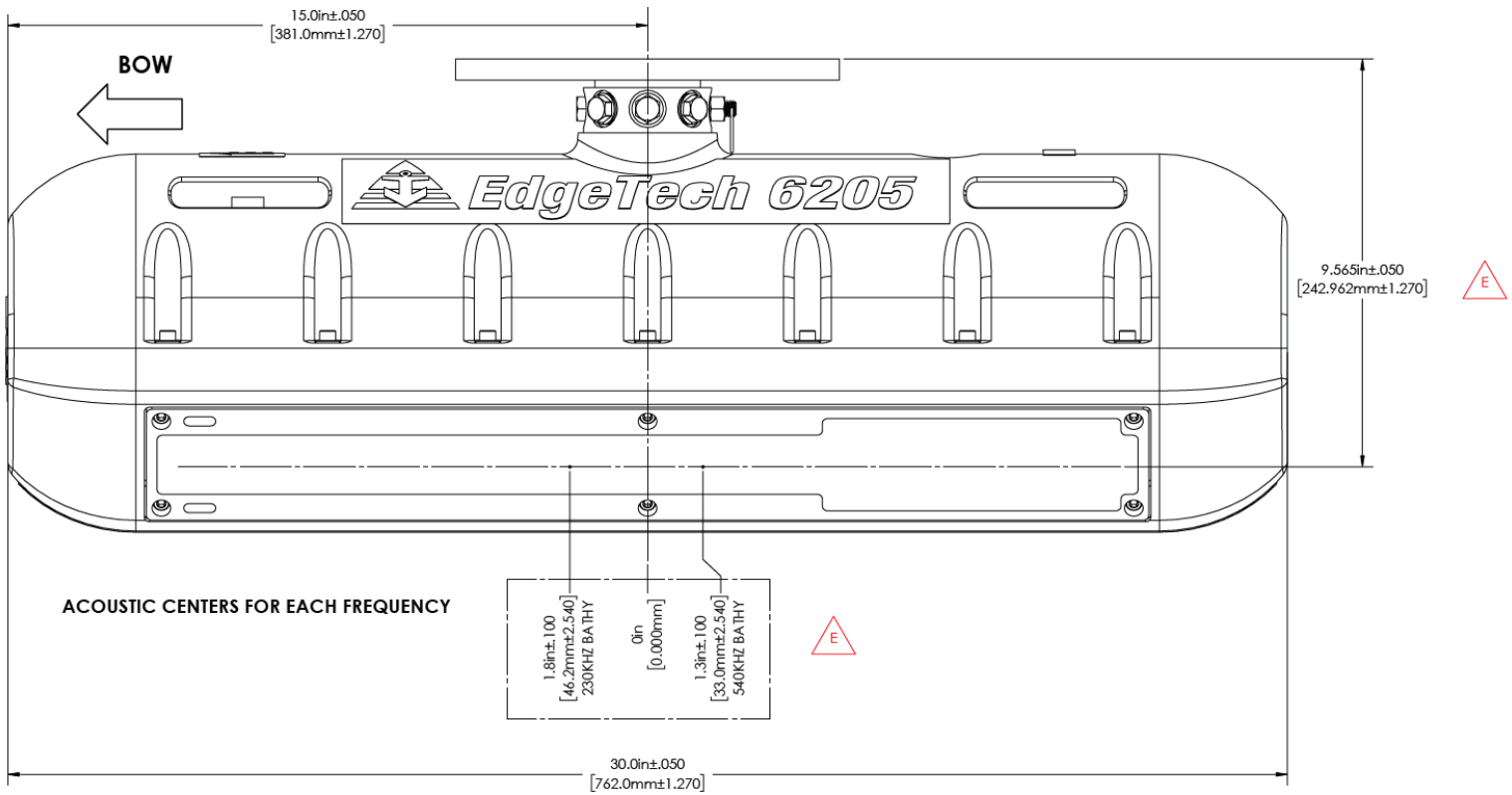


Figure 1-5: 6205 Sonar Head Drawing – C

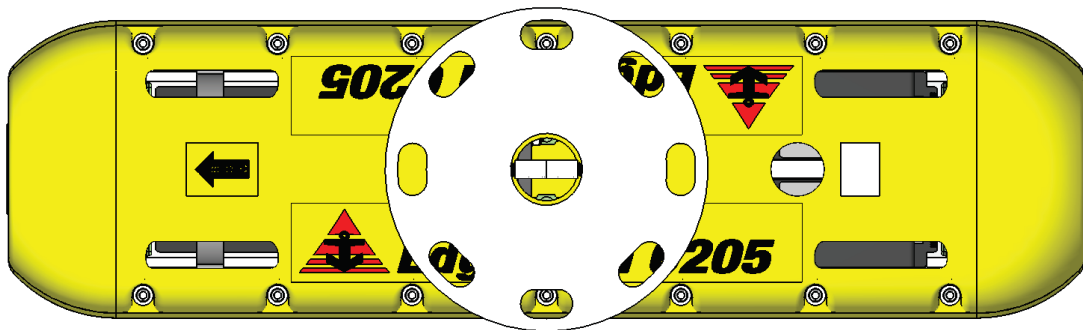


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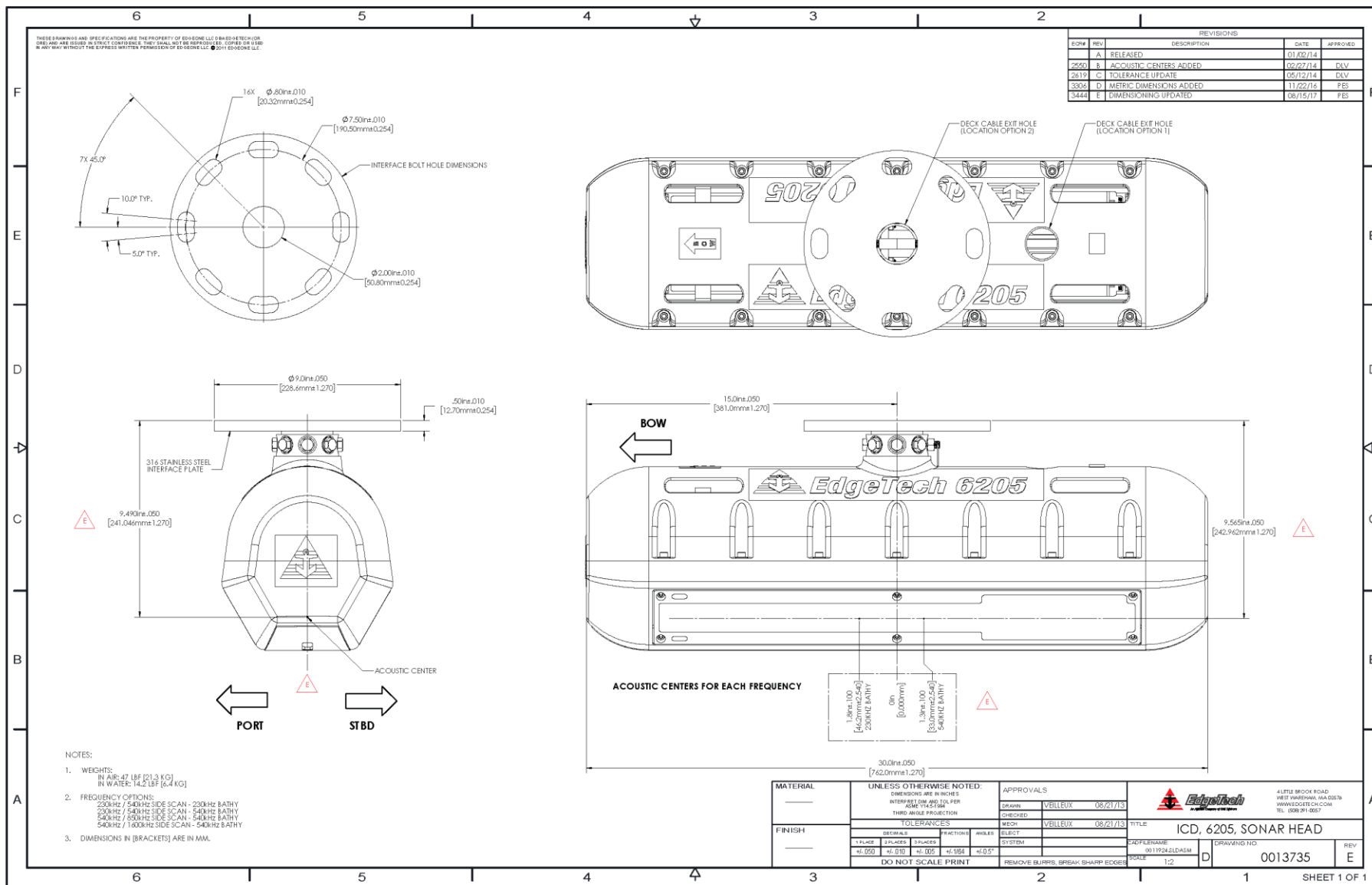


Figure 1-7: 6205 Sonar Head - 0013735

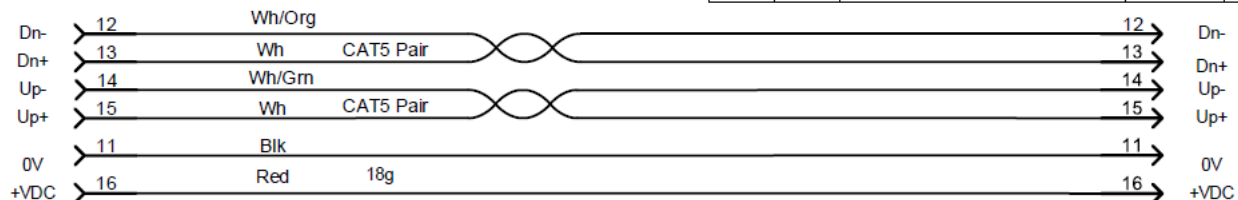
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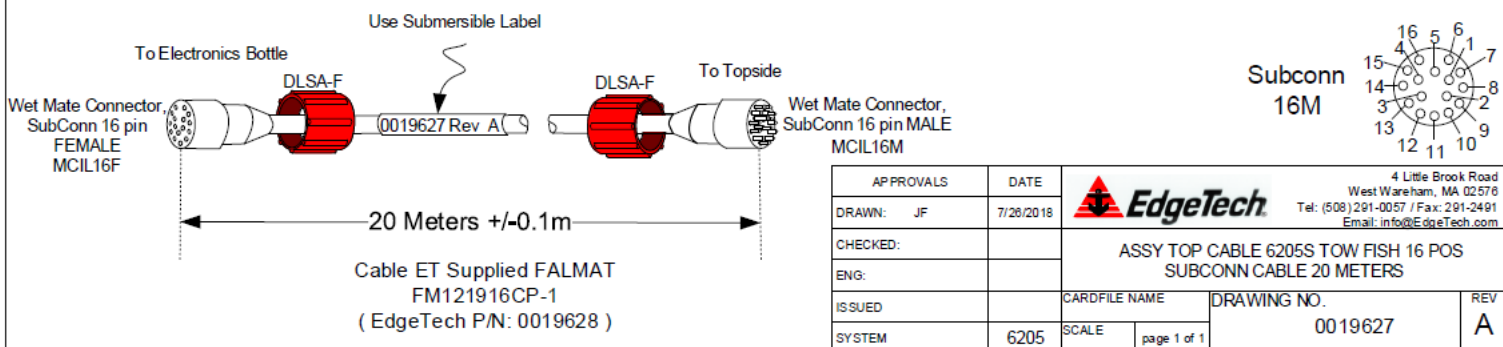
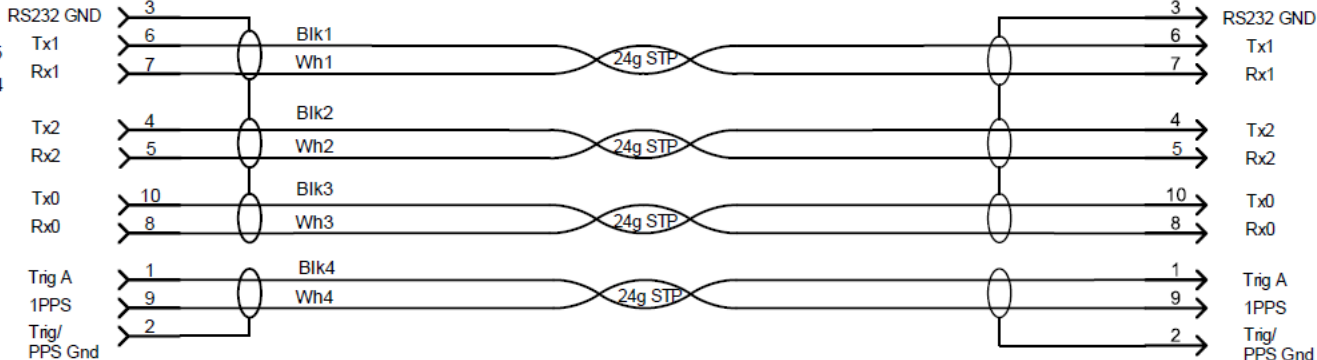
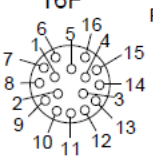
Figure 1-8: 6205 Array Color Codes Diagram

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Figure 1-9: 6205 Wiring Diagram

SECTION 2: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The complete 6205 system consists of a Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Head and a Topside Interface Box. This section describes the 6205 System main components and lists its specifications.

2.1 The 6205 Sonar Head

The 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Head is available in a variety of frequency options:

- 230 kHz and 550 kHz with bathymetry on 230 kHz
- 230 kHz and 550 kHz with bathymetry on 550 kHz
- 550 kHz and 1600 kHz with bathymetry on 550 kHz

The frequency sets listed above were chosen to provide optimum results for any given water depth up to 200m (660ft) below the transducer. The 230 kHz/550 kHz system with 230 kHz bathymetry was designed for water depths between 5m – 200m (15ft – 660ft), while the 550 kHz/1600 kHz for water depths between 0.5m – 50m (1.5ft – 165ft). Optimal Frequency depends on survey requirements.

To mitigate frequency tradeoffs, EdgeTech has designed the 6205 Sonar Head with field exchangeable arrays whereby the Bathymetry frequency can be switched from the low frequency channel to the high frequency channel or vice versa. However, this feature only exists on the 230 kHz/550 kHz models.

Furthermore, the 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Head comes standard with a Sonar Processor, Port and Starboard Sonar Arrays, a Sound Velocity Sensor (SVS), Housing (upper & lower), and a Mounting Plate. These components are demonstrated in [FIGURE 2-1](#).

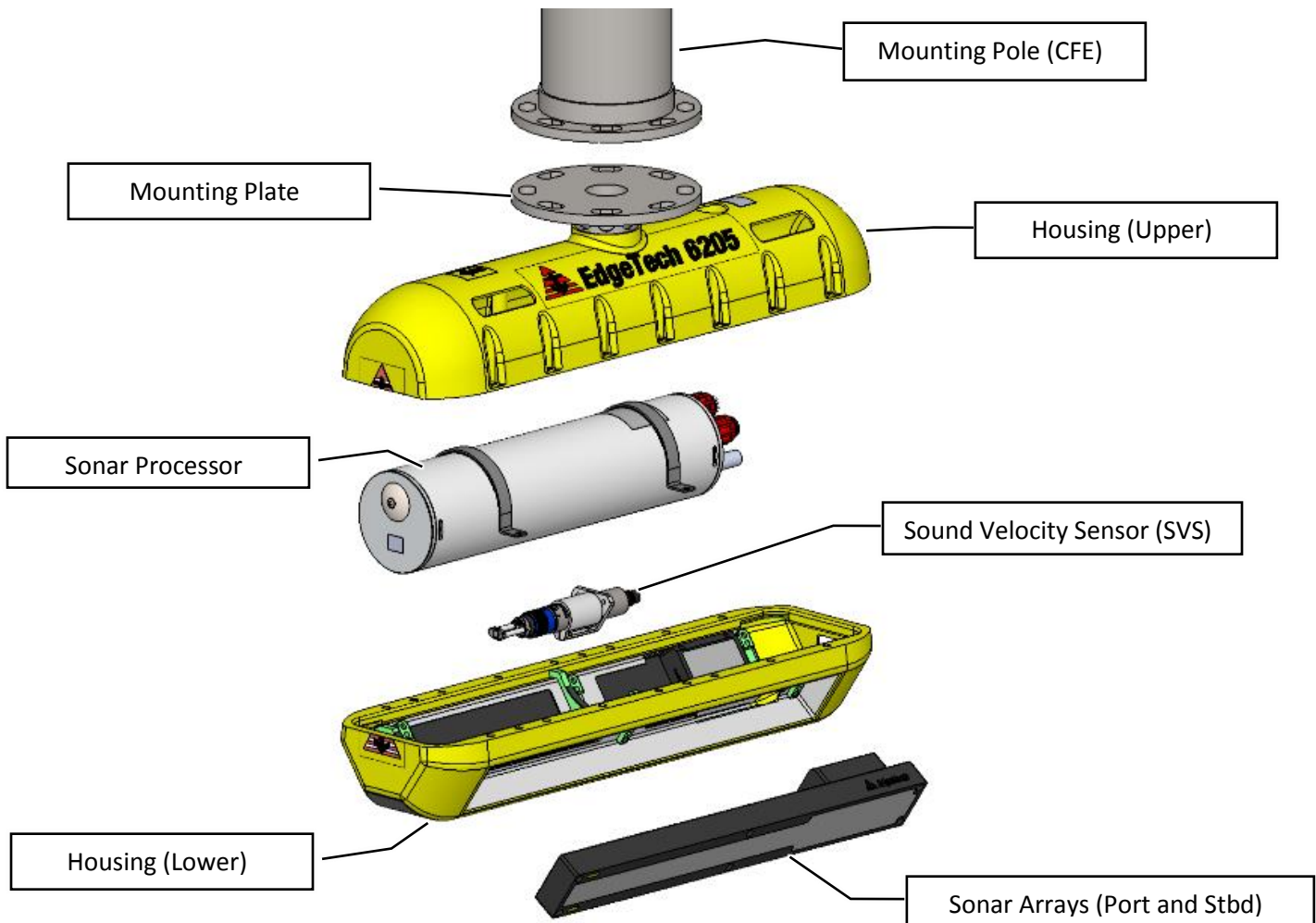


Figure 2-1: 6205 Sonar Head Components

NOTE: The terms used in **FIGURE 2-1** are referenced throughout this manual.

2.1.1 Sonar Processor

The 6205 Sonar Processor has a built-in PC running Windows 7 Embedded as its operating system. The main firmware installed on the embedded PC is an application called Sonar.exe. This firmware controls the sonar's hardware and performs specific functions such as the signal processing and time synchronization of the acquired data.

2.1.2 Sonar Arrays

The 6205 provides Bathymetry and Simultaneous Dual Frequency Side Scan data and operates at 230/550 kHz or 550/1600 kHz. Bathymetry data are obtained on either the 230 kHz or the 550 kHz channel while the Side Scan imagery is collected simultaneously on both frequency channels. The 6205 utilizes two arrays (port and starboard) to map the seafloor much like a Dual Head Multibeam System. Each 6205 Array is constructed using 11 independent longitudinal PZT elements. One of these is used for the transmit function and as a full resolution side scan receiver, while the remaining 10 elements make up an approximately half wavelength spaced array of sensors for its bathymetry receiver.

2.1.3 Sound Velocity Sensor

The 6205 Sonar Head has a flooded section that is used to house an AML Sound Velocity Sensor (SVS) providing a response time of 47 μ s, a resolution of 0.001 m/s, and a theoretical accuracy of ± 0.025 m/s. A closer look at the SVS is presented in [FIGURE 2-2](#).

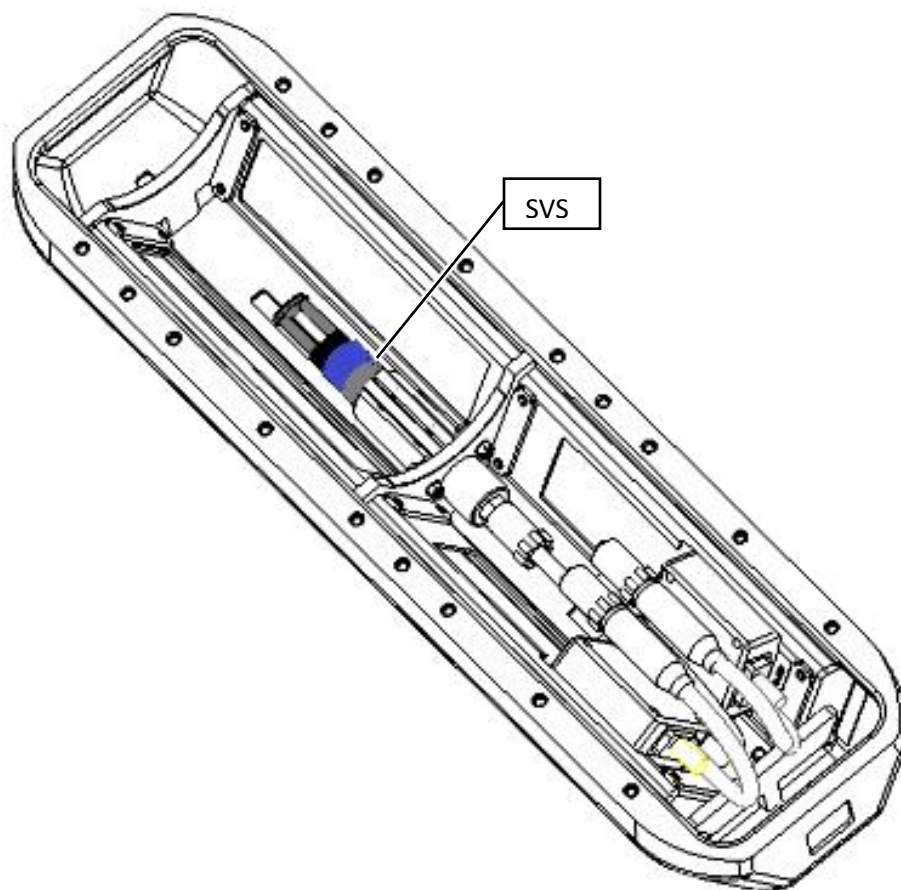


Figure 2-2: SVS in Nose of Sonar Head

2.1.4 Housing

The 6205 Housing is composed of an upper and lower section made of Fiber Reinforced Polymer (FRP) composite and stainless steel. The housing supplies a streamline body for efficient underwater maneuvers rated up to 12 knots, while protecting the SVS, arrays, and deck cable connections.

NOTE: Although the 6205 can handle transit up to 12 knots, survey speeds should be constrained to 4-5 knots or less. However, EdgeTech recommends removing the Sonar Head from the water during transit above 7-8 knots.

2.1.5 Mounting Plate

The 6205 Mounting Plate is made of stainless steel and was designed with a variable bolt pattern to secure the system to several different deployment mechanisms, thereby cutting back on installation and mobilization time. The variable bolt pattern is illustrated in [FIGURE 2-3](#). For more detailed drawings, refer to [FIGURE 1-3](#) and [FIGURE 1-4](#).

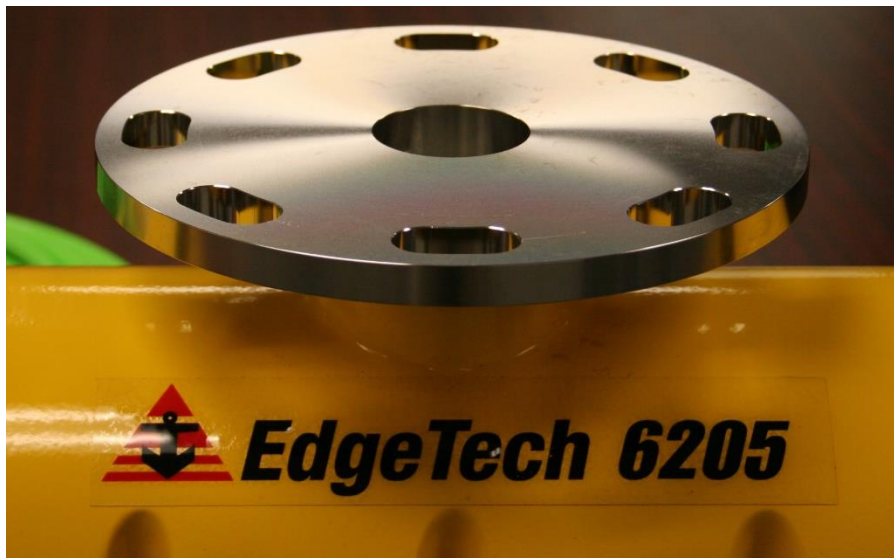


Figure 2-3: Mounting Plate

2.1.6 Acoustic Center

The individual acoustic centers of each array (port and starboard) converge at a single point along the centerline of the 6205 Sonar Head. Therefore, when entering sonar head offsets into the third-party acquisition and processing software, the port and starboard array offsets (or sometimes referred to as Sonar Head 1 and Sonar Head 2, respectively) are identical in all dimensions.

The EdgeTech convention for X, Y, and Z is: X is positive to starboard, Y is positive forward, and Z is positive down. Keeping this convention in mind and remembering that the individual acoustic centers for both port and starboard converge on the centerline (or X = 0), the 6205 Sonar Head's Acoustic Center is shown in **FIGURE 2-4**.

NOTE: The Acoustic Center along the Y axis is different for the 230kHz model than the 550kHz model.

For a larger representation of **FIGURE 2-4** and **FIGURE 2-5**, refer to [ERROR! REFERENCE SOURCE NOT FOUND..](#)

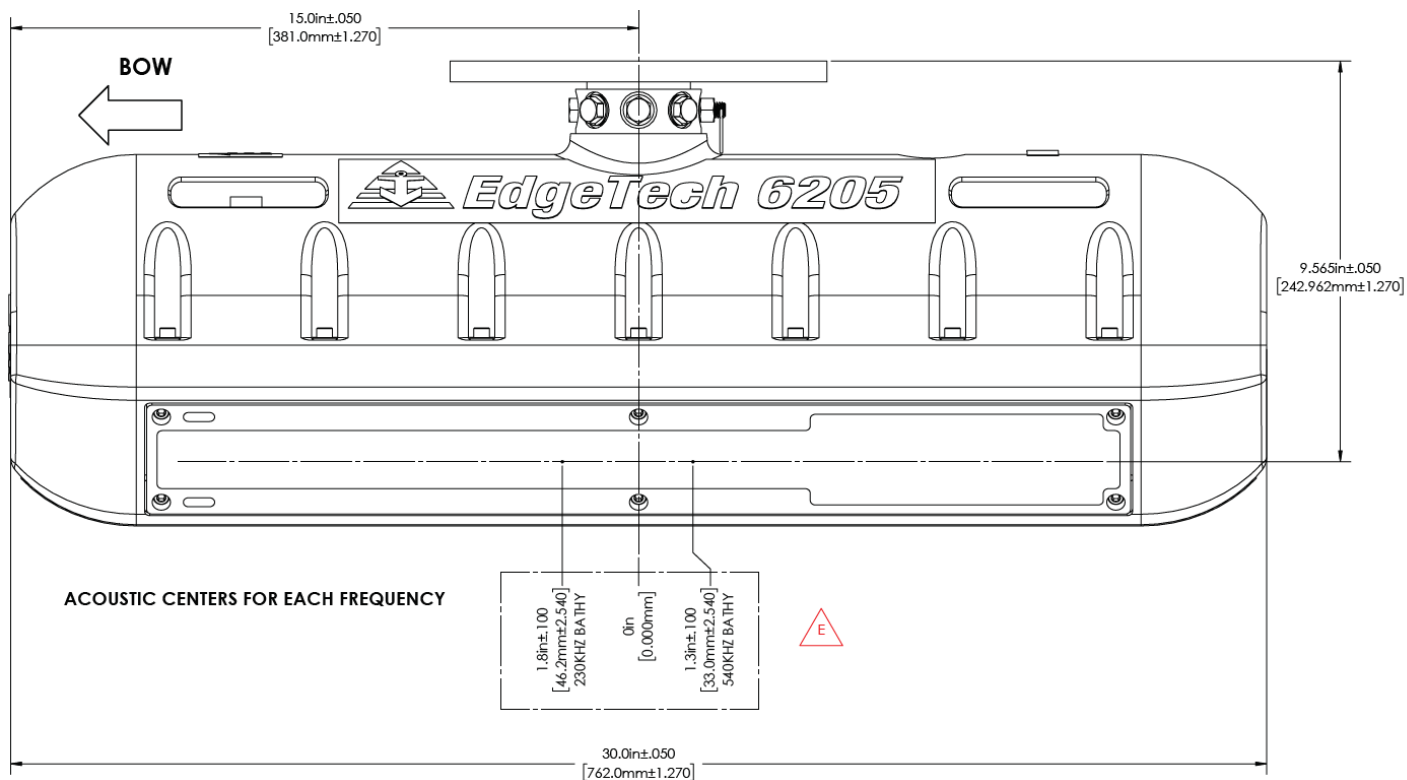


Figure 2-4: Acoustic Center Location in Y and Z Dimensions

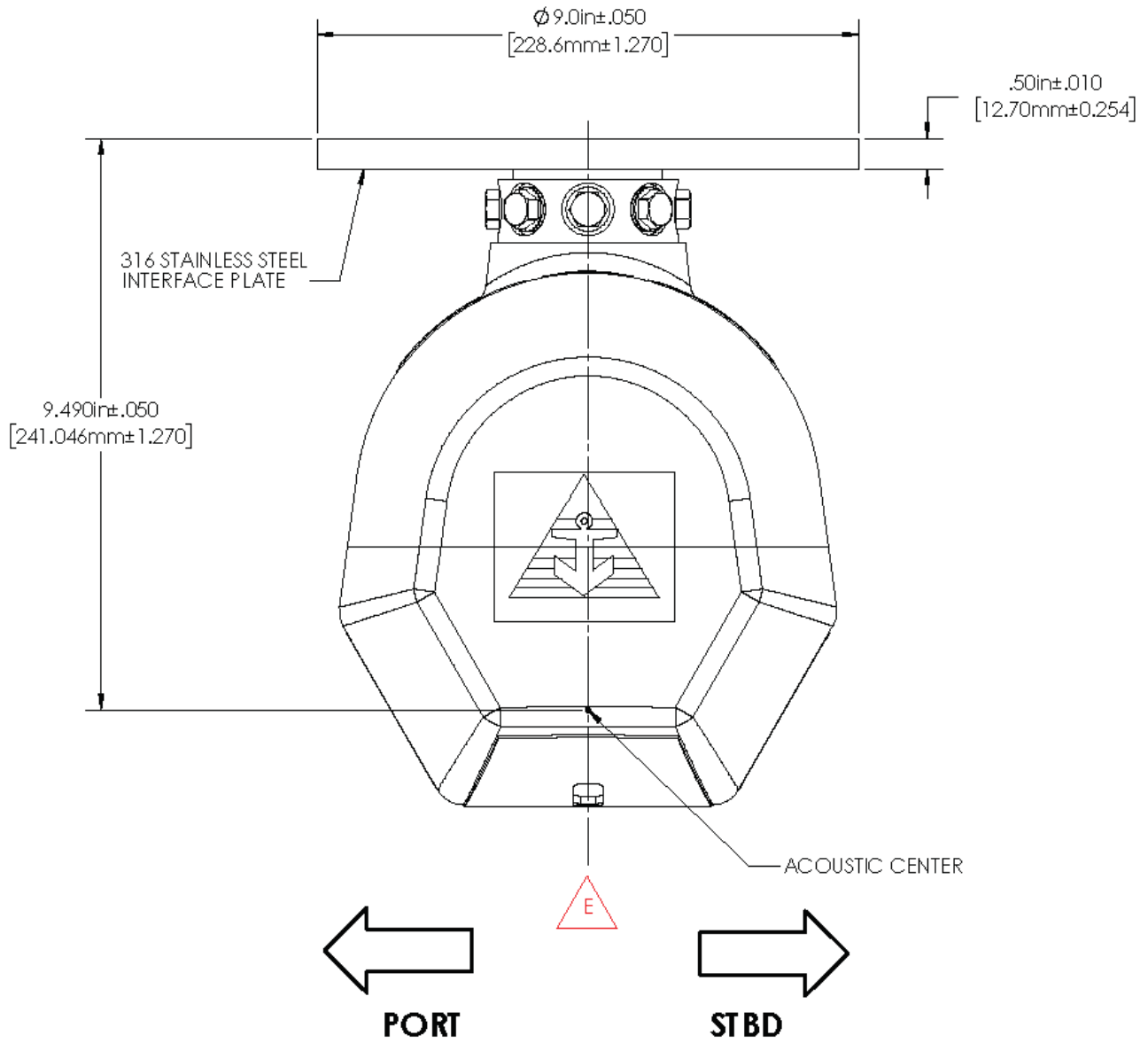


Figure 2-5: Acoustic Center Location in X and Z Dimensions

2.2 Field Exchangeable Frequency Operations

In order to switch between different bathymetry frequencies, the 6205 Arrays must be exchanged with the corresponding Bathymetry Array. For instance, if the Sonar Head is currently configured as a 230 kHz/550 kHz Side Scan with 230 kHz Bathymetry and the user wants to exchange the Bathymetry frequency to the 550 kHz channel, then the following procedure should be followed.

Tools

- $\frac{3}{16}$ " inch Allen wrench
1. Place the 6205 on a stable and level platform, such as a workbench or boat deck.



Figure 2-6: Unit on Stable Platform

2. Removing the fourteen $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 20 x $\frac{5}{8}$ " cap screws using a $\frac{3}{16}$ " Allen key, then take off the top half of the housing.

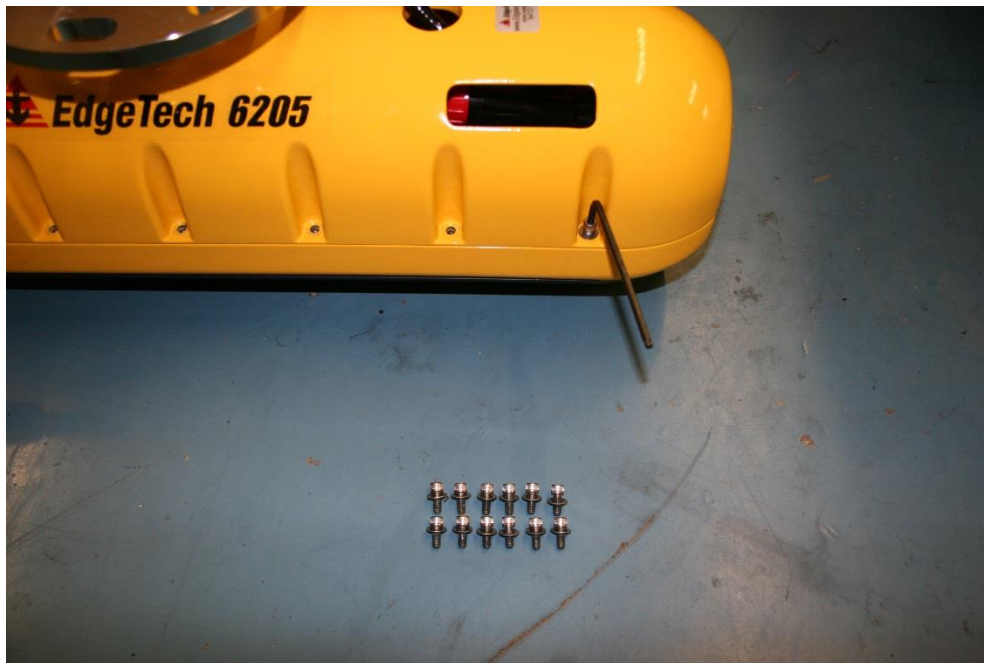


Figure 2-7: Removing the Cap Screws

3. Once the Top Half of the Housing has been removed, carefully unplug the Green Deck Cable.



Figure 2-8: Top Housing and Deck Cable Removed

- Unplug the port and starboard array (yellow and black) cables from the Housing.

WARNING: DO NOT unplug the SVS cable.

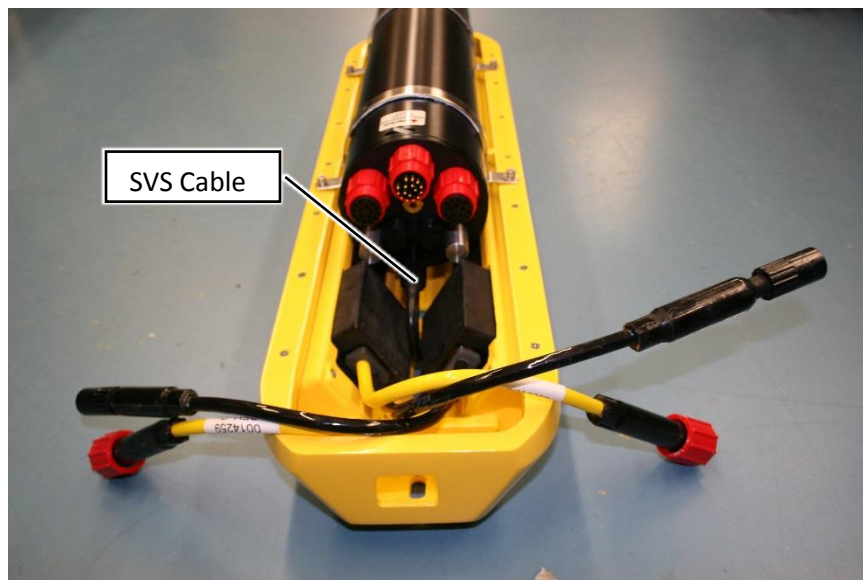


Figure 2-9: Array Cables Unplugged

- Tilt the lower housing onto its starboard side and remove all six $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 20 x 1.5" cap screws using the same $\frac{3}{16}$ " Allen key.

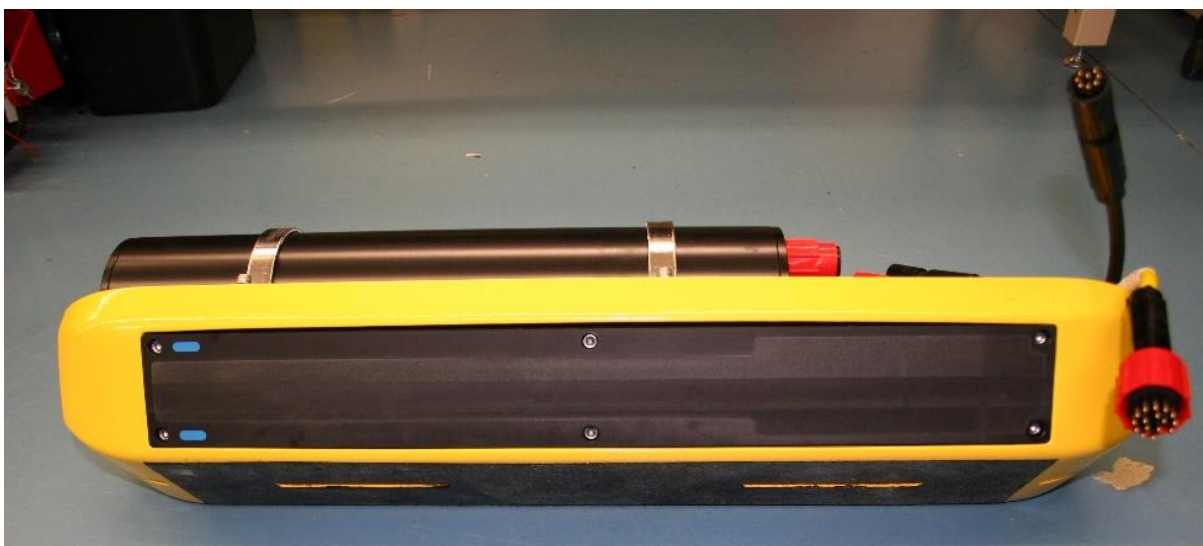


Figure 2-10: Cap Screws Removed

6. Remove the port array from the lower housing by pushing on the fore section of the array so that it is tilted away at an angle from the housing.



Figure 2-11: Port Array Removed

7. Push on the aft section of the array and pull forward so that the cables come through keyway. Remove the entire array from the housing.



Figure 2-12: Cable in Keyway

8. Take the new port array and thread it through the keyway, pushing the aft end into the groove.

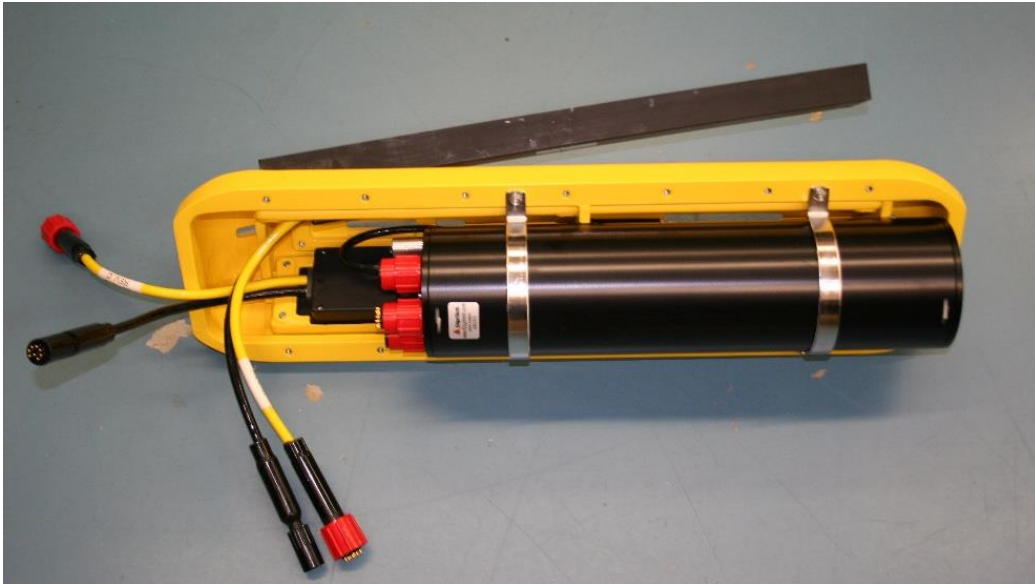


Figure 2-13: Inserting New Array

CAUTION!

Each array is labeled according to which side it corresponds to so ensure the port array is installed on the port side and the starboard array is installed on the starboard side. The sonar processor contains calibration data that is specific to each array and these must be installed correctly in order for calibration to be successful.

9. Push back and tilt the array into place until the array face is flush with the housing.

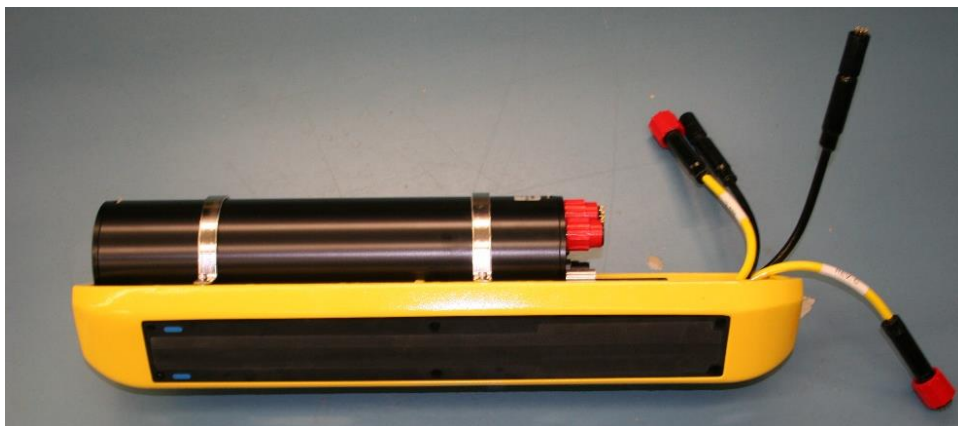


Figure 2-14: Array Flush with Housing

- Secure it in place using the six $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 20 x 1.5" cap screws and the $\frac{3}{16}$ " Allen key.

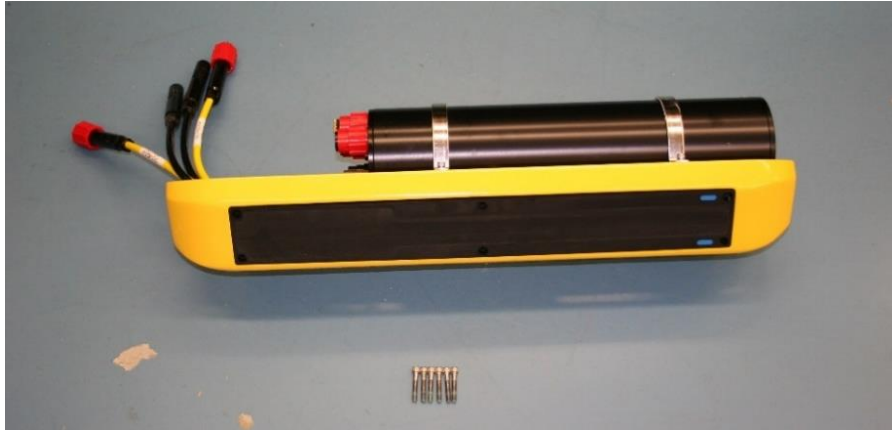


Figure 2-15: Array Secured in Place

- Tilt the housing on its port side and repeat steps 5 – 10 to replace the starboard array with the alternate one.
- Connect the array cables to the bottle, making sure the correct pins match up.
- Thread the deck cable through the hole in the top housing and reconnect it to the bottle.
- Replace the top housing, ensuring that the deck cable is in the aft position of the sonar head. Securing it with the fourteen $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 20 x $\frac{5}{8}$ " cap screws and $\frac{3}{16}$ " Allen key.
- Reference Section 4.3.7 of the Discover Bathymetric User Software Manual (P/N 0014878) to complete the software configuration for the new frequency set.



Figure 2-16: Array Replacement Complete

2.3 The 6205 Topside Interface

The 6205 Topside Interface has two purposes:

1. To provide power to the Sonar Head
2. To provide a direct link between Sonar Head, any supporting sensors, and Topside Computer.

The sonar interface box delivers power to the system and transmits/receives data via the provided 20 m (65ft) Deck Cable and a SubConn 16 pin wet mate connector. The topside sonar interface box also supplies three RS232 serial ports to intake navigation, heading, and attitude data from the supporting sensors and an Ethernet port to communicate with the topside computer.

The first two RS232 serial ports are configured for high speed and high accuracy, while the third RS232 serial port is configured for standard serial connections. Typical latencies for the high speed/high accuracy ports are less than 100us, whereas the standard serial port may have up to 100ms. The high-speed ports are unidirectional, data cannot be transmitted from the 6205 to an external device. All three com ports are isolated via a proprietary Signal Conditioning / Isolator board. This ensures noise generated or carried by grounds on the survey vessel do not generate artifacts in the Side Scan and Bathymetry data sets.

This topside Interface box comes in two forms:

1. **6205-R RACK MOUNT TOPSIDE INTERFACE**

For use with a Customer-supplied computer.

OR

2. **6205-P PORTABLE TOPSIDE INTERFACE**

For use with: Customer-supplied computer or purchased EdgeTech-supplied fully configured Laptop.

2.3.1 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface

The 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface box was designed to slide into a 19-in Rack Mount Optima Case. It provides three input/output serial ports, four Ethernet ports, AC power input, on/off switch, and two BNC connectors that supply an input trigger and 1PPS sync. The three input serial ports act as a dry connection to the sonar head for all ancillary information (i.e. position, attitude, time, etc.), while the four Ethernet ports provide 100Mbps connection from the sonar head to the topside computer. These interfaces are illustrated in [FIGURE 2-17](#).



Figure 2-17: Rack Mount Topside with Real Time Connections

The Rack Mount interface option does not come with a topside computer and must be supplied by the customer. See the minimum requirements provided in sub-section [2.3.3](#)). EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software is included on a DVD that is supplied upon delivery of the 6205 Sonar Head. This software can also be downloaded from the EdgeTech FTP site. Contact [EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) for FTP site credentials.

2.3.2 6205-P Portable Topside Interface

The 6205-P Portable Topside Interface is a splash proof design of the 6205-R Rack Mount Interface box. It offers all the same connections to the 6205 Sonar Head for the supporting sensors (i.e. GPS, MRU, etc.) through a series of break out cables. See [FIGURE 2-18](#) for a picture of the portable option.



Figure 2-18: 6205-P Portable Topside

This comes with the option of a laptop, preloaded with EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software. The laptop is a high-performance PC, running Windows 7 Professional as its operating system. It also has a Quad Core processor (8 cores), and comes with a 1TB hard drive. This laptop is used to simultaneously execute EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software, as well as any third-party data acquisition and post processing software.

CAUTION!

The laptop's performance changes when running on battery power so ensure the laptop is plugged in when operating the sonar and acquiring real time bathymetry and side scan data.

2.3.3 Topside Computer Specifications

The topside computer must be able to run EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software and any additional third-party software. To do so, it must include the following minimum requirements:

- Windows 7 Professional Operating System
- Quad-Core Intel Core i7-4900MQ @ 2.8GHz Processor or similar
- 8 GB of Memory (RAM)
- 500GB Hard Drive
- 3 USB Ports
- 1 Ethernet Port
- 1 GB Graphics Card

NOTE: *EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC SOFTWARE has only been tested on Windows 7. Check with Customer Service for updates.*

The 6205-P provides the option of purchasing an EdgeTech provided laptop preloaded with EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software and all supporting software. The laptop ships with the specifications listed below:

- Windows 7 Professional Operating System 64 bit
- Quad-Core Intel Core i7-6820 HQ @ 2.70GHz, 3.60GHz Turbo Processor
- 8 GB of Memory (RAM)
- 1TB Hard Drive
- Intel HD Graphics 530
- NVIDIA Quadro M2000M (4GB GDDR5)
- Memory Card Reader 4 USB 3.0 Ports
- Dell Wireless 1820 802.11AC Dual-Band Wi-Fi + BT 4.1 Wireless Card
- 1 Ethernet RJ45 Port
- 1 Mini Display Port 1 HDMI Port

NOTE: *The Topside laptop may look and operate like a general-purpose PC, however, installing additional software outside the provided EdgeTech and Bathymetric Third-Party Software is NOT recommended. (A list of approved third-party packages is provided in Section 6.2). Installing software other than those supplied can have undesirable effects, such as poor and/or slow performance when acquiring bathymetry and dual frequency side scan data.*

2.4 Deck Cable

The Deck cable is a 20 meter (65ft) underwater, high speed network data and power cable. Deck cable includes Cat 5e 4-pair stranded conductors that meets or exceeds TIA 568-B, and is suitable for 10Base-T and 100Base-T. Deck cable is terminated with a Subconn 16 pin wet mate connector on both ends, has a breaking strength of 545 kg (1200lbs), and provides power and telemetry to 6205 Sonar Head.

CAUTION!

DO NOT use deck cables for towing.

2.5 Detailed Specifications

Detailed specifications for 6205 Topside Interfaces and Sonar Heads are provided in [TABLE 2-1](#) and [TABLE 2-2](#).

INTERFACE MODEL	6205 – RACK MOUNT	6205 - PORTABLE
PHYSICALS		
Size	48.3 L x 52.1 W x 8.9 H cm (19 L x 20.5 W x 3.5 H in)	49.5 L x 38.1 W x 19.1 H cm (19.5 L x 15 W x 7.5 H in)
Weight	5.4 kg (12 lbs)	13.6 kg (30 lbs)
Construction	Aluminum	Polyethylene/Polyurethane
Interfaces	1 x 1 PPS via BNC 1 x Trigger Out via BNC 4 x 100 BaseT Ethernet Ports 3 x Serial RS-232 Ports	1 x 1 PPS via BNC 1 x Trigger Out via BNC 3 x 100 BaseT Ethernet Ports 3 x Serial RS-232 Ports
POWER REQUIREMENTS		
Input Power Supply	115/230 VAC Auto-Sensing	115/230 VAC Auto-Sensing
Output Power Supply	60VDC	48VDC
Current Draw	1.40A	1.40A

Table 2-1: 6205 Topside Interface Specifications

SONAR HEAD MODEL	230/550 KHZ SS – 230/550 BATHY	550/1600 SS - 550 KHZ BATHY
PHYSICALS		
Size	76.2 L x 21.1 W x 27.9 H cm (30 L x 8.3 W x 11 H in)	76.2 L x 21.1 W x 27.9 H cm (30 L x 8.3 W x 11 H in)
Weight	19.9 kg (43.9 lbs)	19.9 kg (43.9 lbs)
Construction	FRP Composite / Stainless Steel Reinforced	FRP Composite / Stainless Steel Reinforced
Color	Blue Angels Yellow	Blue Angels Yellow
Sealing	O-Ring Seal with Purge Valve	O-Ring Seal with Purge Valve
SIDE SCAN SONAR		
Center Frequency	230/520 kHz	520/1610 kHz
Range (per Side)	225/125 m (738/410 ft)	125/35m (410/115 ft)
Range Resolution	30/15 mm (1.18/0.4 in)	15/6 mm (0.4/0.2 in)
Beam Width Along Track	0.64°/0.47° (2-way)	0.47°/0.2° (2-way)
Depression Angle	35°	35°
SWATH BATHYMETRY		
Center Frequency	230 kHz/520kHz	520 kHz
Maximum Swath	350 m (1148 ft)	150 m (492 ft)
Beam Width Along Track	0.64°/0.47°	0.47°
Ping Repetition Rate (Both Sides Simultaneously)	15 m (16 ft) = 50 Hz 25 m (82 ft) = 30 Hz 50 m (164 ft) = 15 Hz 100 m (328 ft) = 8 Hz 200 m (656 ft) = 4 Hz	5 m (16 ft) = 150 Hz 25 m (82 ft) = 30 Hz 50 m (164 ft) = 15 Hz 100 m (328 ft) = 8 Hz 150 m (492 ft) = 5 Hz
Max Depth Below Transducers	100 m (328 ft)	50 m (164 ft)
POWER REQUIREMENTS		
DC Input Range	36-60 VDC (48 VDC Nominal)	36-60 VDC (48 VDC Nominal)
ENVIRONMENT		
Operating Temperature	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)
Storage Temperature	-20°C to 60°C (-4°F to 140°F)	-20°C to 60°C (-4°F to 140°F)
Relative Humidity	Operating 0 to 80%, Non-Operating 0 to 100%	Operating 0 to 80%, Non-Operating 0 to 100%

Table 2-2: 6205 Sonar Head Specifications

SECTION 3: CONNECTIONS AND FORMATS

The 6205 System relies on specific data formats and connections to produce its high-quality images and measurements. This section describes these data formats and connections along with providing diagrams to help the user better understand the hardware and data flow within the system.

3.1 Data Formats

In order to collect valid survey data the following is required to support the survey operations and correct processing of the 6205 Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan echo data:

- a. GPS Position in NMEA format, latitude and longitude; minimum of 5Hz
- b. Heading data in NMEA format or EM1000 binary format; minimum of 20Hz
- c. Attitude or Roll, Pitch, and Heave data in TSS1 or EM1000 binary format; minimum of 20Hz
- d. Time sync data in NMEA format; minimum of 1Hz

These data may be supplied by 1, 2, or 3 individual sources, and are listed below in order of priority.

- a. **Position Data** – this may be supplied via any of the following NMEA type sentences/messages:
 - i. \$xxGGA
 - ii. \$xxGLL
 - iii. \$xxRMC
 - iv. \$xxGGK ** (Applanix PosMV Format)
 - v. \$PTNL, GGK, ... ** (Trimble Format)

** = Non-NMEA standard sentences
- b. **Heading Data** – this may be input via:
 - i. NMEA, \$xxHDT sentence, OR
 - ii. EM1000 binary format along with attitude data
- c. **Attitude (Roll, Pitch, and Heave) Data** – this may be input via:
 - i. TSS1 format, OR
 - ii. EM1000 binary format
- d. **Time Input** - supported sentences are in order of priority/use
 - i. \$xxZDA
 - ii. \$xxRMC

- iii. \$xxGGK (derived from data in item a. above)
- iv. \$xxGGA (only supports time, no date field)
- v. \$xxGLL (only supports time, no date field)

NOTE: The prefix “\$xx” represents proprietary NMEA message prefix for a specific manufacturer. \$GPGGA, \$GPZDA, etc. are example NMEA output sentences for a Hemisphere GPS.

We recommend you also supply the system with a source of Speed Over Ground in NMEA format (i.e. VTG, minimum of 1Hz) so that the system can correctly compute Along-Track Distance between each ping and display it in DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Software.

Messages can be sent over ethernet connection via UDP functionality.

3.2 System Connections and Data Flow

The following sub-sections describe the connections and data flow for the 6205 System.

3.2.1 Ethernet LAN Connections

The Ethernet LAN connection from the Sonar Head to the 6205 Topside Interface is made using a physical wired connection via the standard 20 m (65 ft) deck cable. This cable is connected to the Sonar Head via a 16 pin SubConn wet mate connector and provides a direct connection from Sonar Head to 6205 Sonar Interface box. The 6205 Sonar Interface then connects to a Topside Computer via a standard RJ-45 Ethernet plug. The correct IP addresses for the sonar head and topside PC are listed below.

- Sonar Head IP Address = 192.9.0.101
- Topside PC IP Address = 192.9.0.99

NOTE: Factory defaults for the 6205 Sonar head IP address is 192.9.0.101 and should not be changed for any reason. The supplied laptop with the 6205-P portable topside interface will also be preconfigured to 192.9.0.99 on delivery from the factory. Only when the customer supplies their own topside computer that the IP address needs to be set to the address above.

3.2.2 Serial Port Connections

There are three RS-232 serial ports provided on the 6205 Sonar Interface box. COM1 and COM2 have been configured for high speed and high accuracy). COM3 is configured for standard RS-232 serial connections. Typical latencies for the high speed/high accuracy ports are less than 100us, whereas the standard serial port has up to 100ms.

These serial ports are provided to intake the navigation, heading, and attitude (roll, pitch, and heave) data from the supporting sensors. See [APPENDIX B: CONFIGURING COM PORTS](#) on how to configure the COM ports.

If the Rack Mount topside is being utilized, it can serve as a splitter for serial data. The output ports pair with the serial ports located directly above them. These ports are unidirectional.

3.2.3 Hardware Connectivity

FIGURE 3-1 is a block diagram that illustrates interconnections between the 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar Head, the 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface, and all supporting sensors. This illustration gives examples of three possible sensor configurations that are explained below.

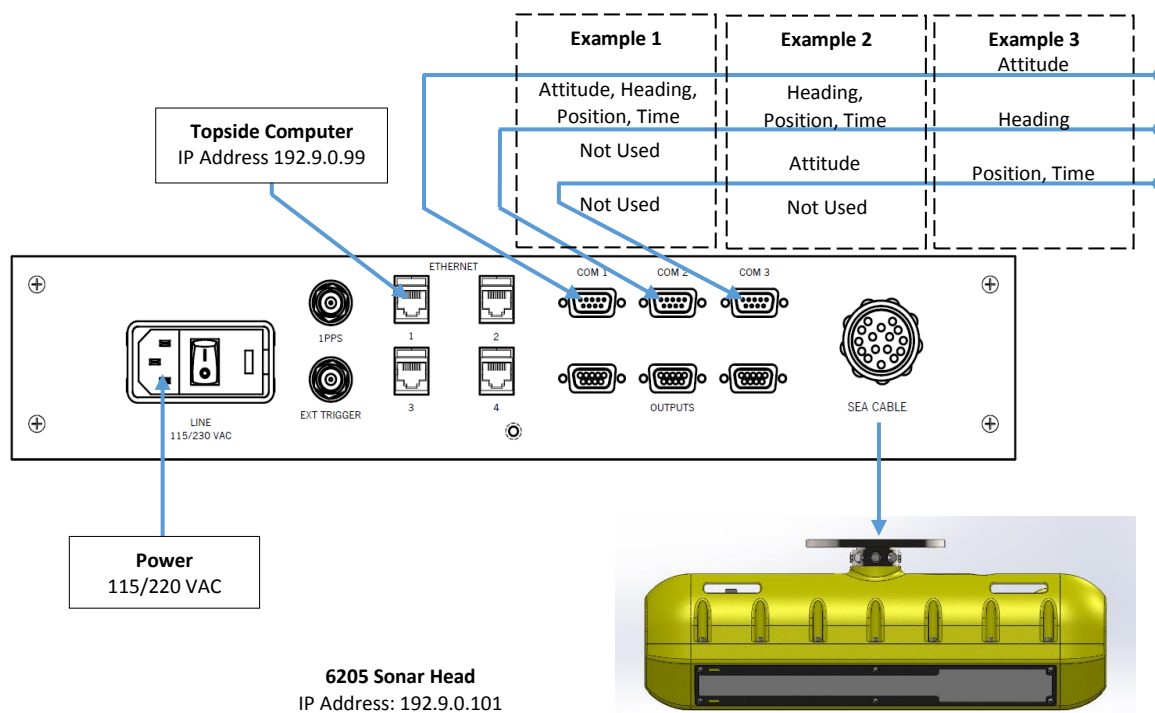


Figure 3-1: 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface Connections

The 6205-P Portable Topside Interface connections are similar and is presented in [FIGURE 1-9](#).

In [FIGURE 3-1](#), the 6205 Sonar Interface connects to Sonar Head via Deck Cable. Time, navigation, heading, roll, pitch, and heave data from supporting sensors via COM ports 1, 2, and/or 3, are inputted at Sonar Interface, passed through the Deck Cable, and logged by Sonar Processor in Sonar Head.

These data are transmitted (along with the raw side scan data) with a common timestamp up the Deck Cable to the 6205 Sonar Interface, and are then passed to the Topside Computer through an Ethernet cable and via the 100Mbps link on Ethernet Port 1 (IP Address: 192.9.0.99).

The Topside Computer then processes these data using the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC software to send amplitude, angle and range data to the 3rd party software for logging and post processing. This process is explained in further details in the following section. The 3rd party software and DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC processors may all run on the same computer.

3.2.3.1 Serial Port Configuration Examples

The example in [FIGURE 3-1](#) depicts a sensor interfacing to the 6205 Sonar Interface that provides time, navigation (latitude/longitude), heading, roll, pitch, and heave data over one serial connection—such as a NovaTel ProPak 6 or Applanix PosMV. As depicted in [FIGURE 3-1](#), the sensor is connected to COM1.

The second example shows the most common interfacing scenario, a GPS that provides navigation and heading data, accompanied by a motion sensor for attitude measurements.

The COM ports should be assigned as such:

- COM1 = MRU (Roll, Pitch, Heave)
- COM2 = GPS (Navigation and Heading)

These assignments may be interchanged between COM1 and COM2 because both ports have been configured for high speed and high accuracy. COM3 should not be used in this scenario.

The third and last example portrays a situation where the GPS does not provide heading data. In this case, three sensors are required: a GPS for navigation (latitude/longitude), a Gyro for heading, and a motion sensor for roll, pitch, and heave measurements.

Therefore, all three COM ports should be used and assigned as follows:

- COM1 = MRU (Roll, Pitch, Heave)
- COM2 = Gyro (Heading)
- COM3 = GPS (latitude/longitude/time)

The sensors allocated to COM1 and COM2 may be interchanged for the same reason stated in the second example. GPS data, or latitude and longitude data, must be allotted to COM3 because position can tolerate a 100ms latency, whereas attitude and heading are crucial to correcting wide swath of data.

NOTE: To configure the serial ports according to the examples given above, see **APPENDIX B: CONFIGURING COM PORTS**.

3.2.4 Sonar Data Flow

The DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC software acquisition package provides a way to control, store, and display the bathymetry and side scan sonar data. DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC contains two processors: one to process the bathymetry solutions, called the Bathymetric Processor, and the second to process and display the dual frequency side scan data. To illustrate the data flow between DISCOVER, the Bathymetric Processor, and any third-party software, the block diagram in **FIGURE 3-2** is used.

NOTE: The 6205 Sonar Interface Box flow chart can be used in either the 6205-R Rack Mount Interface Box or 6205-P Portable Interface Box.

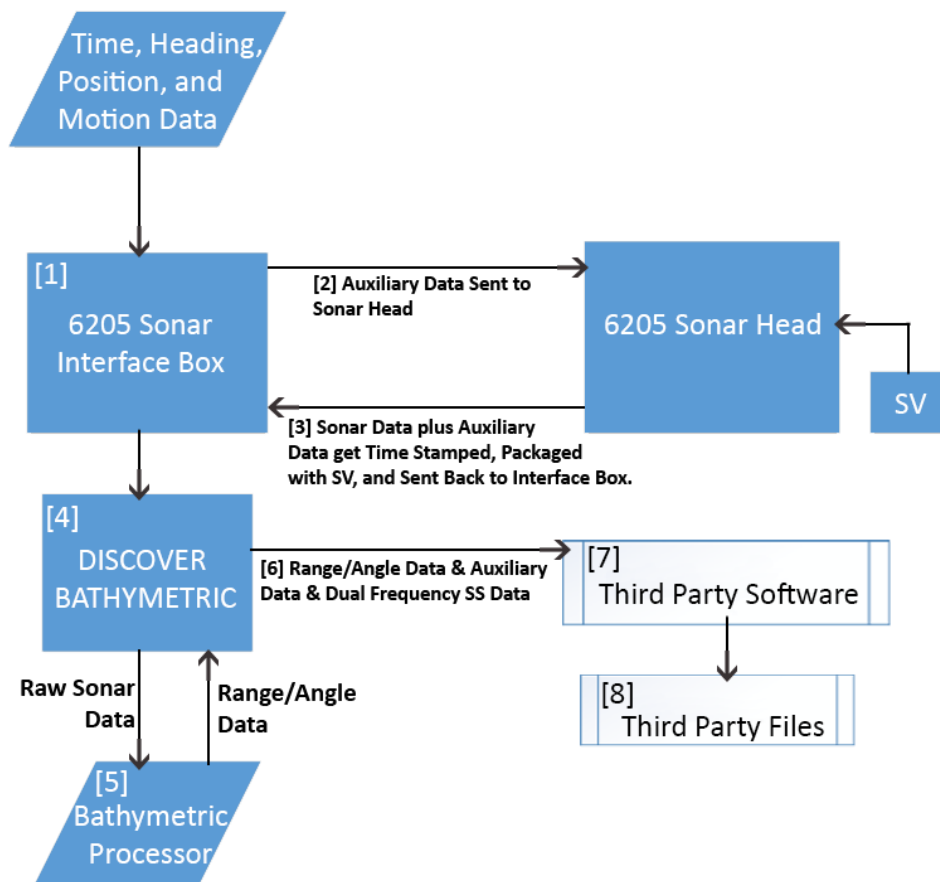


Figure 3-2: Sonar Data Flow

The flow chart in **FIGURE 3-2** demonstrates the following:

1. The auxiliary sensors provide time, heading, position (latitude/longitude), and motion (roll, pitch, and heave) data to the 6205 Sonar Interface Box via the provided RS-232 serial ports or UDP connections over the ethernet link.
2. These auxiliary data are then relayed to the 6205 Sonar Head via the Deck Cable.
3. Here, the auxiliary data are combined with the raw sonar data and instantaneous sound velocity (SV) measurements, where they are time stamped with a common value, and then sent back to the 6205 Sonar Interface.
4. DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software takes in the raw sonar data and sends it to the Bathymetric Processor.
5. The Bathymetric Processor processes the raw sonar data to produce uncorrected range and angle data, and then transmits this back to DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC, where it is packaged with the auxiliary and dual frequency side scan data. At this point, each ping is represented by a complete data package containing all sonar and auxiliary data.

NOTE: *Once the data is passed back to DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC these data are shown on the provided graphical displays to illustrate the bathymetry and simultaneous dual frequency side scan data in real time. These data may also be recorded as a *.JSF file if the user desires.*

6. This complete data package (range/angle, dual frequency side scan, and all auxiliary data) is sent to the third-party software.
7. The third-party software then logs these complete data packets to their native format. The third-party software also provides graphical displays to show the bathymetry, dual frequency side scan, and auxiliary data.
8. Finally, these three-dimensional third-party data files contain every piece of information to post process the data and generate hydrographic final products.

3.3 Topside Provided Isolation

The two most common sources of noise are Power Supplies and poor grounding on survey vessels. To protect against the noise fluctuations on the ground line of the subsea electronics, every Topside is shipped with EdgeTech's proprietary Signal Conditioning and Isolation Board. This board isolates the sensitive subsea electronics from potentially noisy grounds provided by the trigger and serial port inputs. Noise can often be identified as repeating patterns at the edge of the usable range of data within DISCOVER's Waterfall Display.

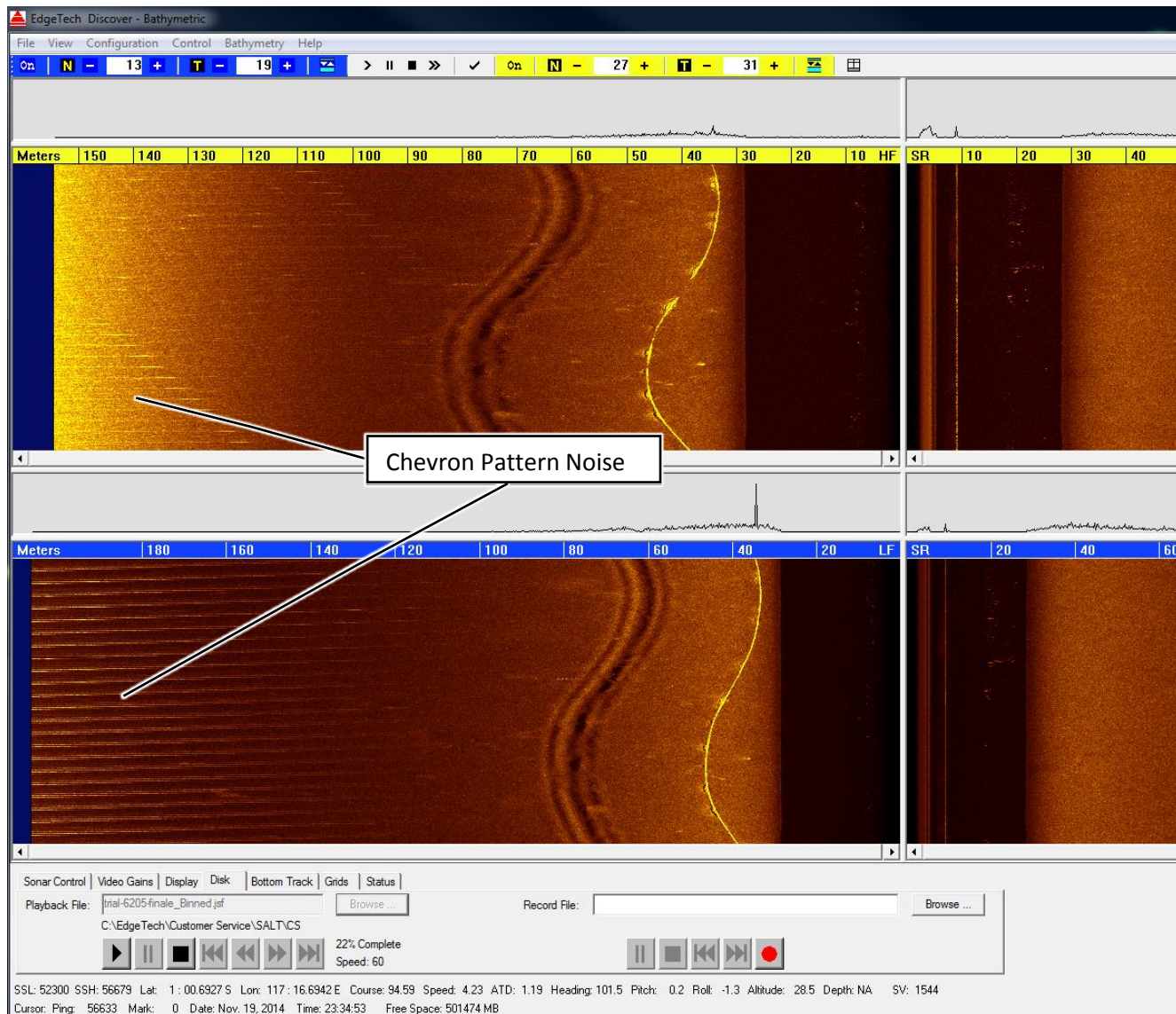


Figure 3-3: Chevron Pattern Noise in a Cropped Portion of Discover Bathymetric

SECTION 4: INSTALLATION

This section provides an overview for unpacking, inspecting, installing, and caring for the EdgeTech 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar System.

4.1 Unpacking and Inspecting

The Sonar Head is shipped in a heavy duty and reusable transport case. The Interface Box with cables, optional Laptop, and CDs are shipped in a cardboard box with appropriate packing material. All documentation, including manuals, is provided in electronic form on the CDs.

Before unpacking the System's components, inspect the shipping containers for damage. If any damage is found, report it to the carrier and to EdgeTech immediately. If the shipping containers appear damage free, carefully unpack the components and inspect them.

Check the packing list and verify all the items on the list are included. If any damage is found after unpacking the components, immediately report it to the carrier and to EdgeTech. If any items are missing, contact **EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**. Do not install or operate any equipment that appears damaged.

Although the items shipped may vary, depending on the customer's requirements, the standard components for the 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar system are listed in **SECTION 1: OVERVIEW**.

4.2 Sonar Head Installation

Installing the 6205 System on the survey vessel is the customer's responsibility, but it is important to keep the following considerations in mind.

1. The Sonar Head can be mounted on the side of a vessel, but it is recommended to secure the 6205 to the bow of the boat.
2. If the customer wishes to mount the sonar off the side of their vessel, care must be taken to ensure keel clearance.

4.2.1 Over-the-Bow Deployment

The first, and recommended option, is to mount the 6205 Sonar Head to the bow of the survey vessel. An example of an over-the-bow deployment is depicted in the photographs in **FIGURE 4-1**. If help is needed with this type of installation, do not hesitate to contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.



Figure 4-1: 6205 Deployment, Option 1 – Over-the-Bow

4.2.2 Over-the-Side Deployment

An alternative to the bow mount is to secure the 6205 Sonar Head over the side of the survey vessel via a pole. An example of an over-the-side deployment is illustrated in the images in **FIGURE 4-2**. If help is needed with this type of installation, contact **EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.



Figure 4-2: 6205 Deployment, Option 2 – Over-the-Side

4.3 Positioning the Topside Interface Box

The Topside Interface Box can be set up several ways, depending on the model purchased. The 6205-R 19-in Rack Mount version should be located and set up in a dry, sheltered area on the survey vessel that is protected from weather and water spray.

The 6205-P portable design is a bit more versatile since it is watertight when closed (but cannot ever be submerged) and can be set up anywhere on the survey vessel that is most convenient. Care should be taken however, to keep the ends of the breakout cables dry.

Avoid areas of direct sunlight, especially in tropical environments, as heat build-up can occur and viewing status indicators can become difficult. Furthermore, the location should enable direct communications with the deck crew that is operating the survey vessel, Sonar Head, and other supporting sensors.

4.4 Topside Connections

After the Sonar Head has been installed, and the Topside Interface Box correctly placed on the survey vessel, the supporting sensors can now be connected. To connect the supporting sensors, Sonar Head, and Topside Interface Box:

1. Setup the MRU as described in the MRU's user manual.
2. Position and secure the MRU to the vessel's center of motion. If the MRU cannot be mounted in this location, then try to mount it as close as possible to the center of motion.
3. Setup the GPS as described in the GPS's user manual.
4. Position and secure the GPS Antennas so that they have a clear view of the sky. Also ensure that the GPS receiver is secured in a dry, sheltered area on the survey vessel that is protected from weather and water spray.
5. Ensure the sonar head is installed properly on the pole mount (whether it is at the bow or side of the vessel).
6. Measure relative location of the MRU to the vessel's center of motion. If the MRU was mounted exactly at the vessel's center of motion, these measurements would be recorded as (0,0,0).
7. Measure the location of the GPS relative to the vessel's center of motion. Typically, the primary antenna is used as the source of position. In this case, use the location of the primary antenna to measure the installation offset for the GPS.

NOTE: *These measurements are important and will be used later as installation offsets in the third-party software. Make sure to measure and note the exact location of the sensors to the vessel's center of motion. Also, remember the Z dimension is referenced to the water line.*

8. Measure the location of the sonar head's acoustic center relative to the vessel's center of motion. The location of the acoustic center is provided in the Sonar Head drawing in [FIGURE 2-4](#) and [FIGURE 2-5](#).
9. Provide power to the 6205 Interface Box via the provided power cable.
10. Connect the Sonar Head to the 6205 Topside Interface box via the Subconn 16 pin connector.

11. Connect the MRU to COM1 and the Dual Head GPS to COM2 (or vice versa).
 - a. A MRU is used to measure the pitch, roll, and heave of the survey vessel.
 - b. A dual head GPS is used to gather heading and position (latitude/longitude) data.

NOTES: *If the GPS does not supply heading (i.e. single head only), then a Gyro (or other source of heading) must be used. In the case where another sensor is needed to provide heading, the sensors should be connected as COM1 – MRU, COM2 – Heading, COM 3 – GPS. The low latency ports (COM1 and COM2) must be designated to the low latency sensor information (i.e., attitude and heading).*

*Refer to sub-section 3.2.2 for more information on connecting the COM Ports. Also, use **APPENDIX B: CONFIGURING COM PORTS** to configure the COM ports for the individual sensors.*

12. Connect the 6205 Interface box to the topside computer using an Ethernet cable.
13. Turn the PC on and launch DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Software.
14. If desired, launch any one of the supported third-party software packages (e.g., Hypack, SonarWiz, or QINSy), setup the 6205 drivers, and input the installation offsets measured in steps 6 through 8.

At this point, all equipment and software is ready for surveying. See **SECTION 5: PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION** for use of the system.

4.5 Care and Maintenance

The 6205 Sonar Head is not designed for long-term deployments, and it is not recommended to keep the system in water for more than two weeks at a time. After each mission, the system should be rinsed thoroughly with freshwater, making sure to rinse the SVS under the pressure housing and connectors at the back using the carry slots located on the sonar housing.

The faces of the arrays should also be inspected after each deployment for organism growth or damage. If any residue is noticed, clean the array faces using a wash cloth with mild soap and water. If any damage is observed, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE** immediately.

CAUTION!

The 6205 Sonar Head's transducers should NEVER be turned on when out of water, because the unit will overheat, causing permanent failure. In limited circumstances, the 6205 can be turned on, without the Transducers, to retrieve data, however, this should never exceed 30 minutes. Additional time can be added with air conditioning, but even then, it should never exceed one hour.

EdgeTech recommends checking the flange bolts on the sonar head at least once per month. Should these bolts be found loose, add Loctite®, and tighten bolts to a torque of **200 in-lbs**. If the bolts are damaged, replace them. The Spares Kit contains the same lock washers, bolts, and Loctite® that EdgeTech uses to secure the flange bolts at the factory. Refer to

FIGURE 4-3 for the location of flange bolts and **FIGURE 4-4** for the location of the through bolt.



Figure 4-3: Flange Bolts on Sonar Head

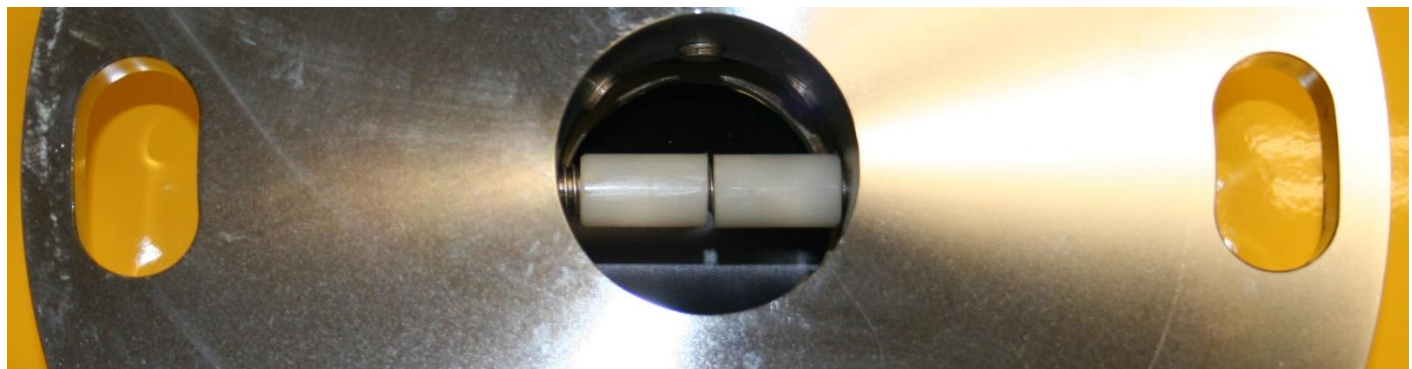


Figure 4-4: Through Bolt at Flange and Sonar Head Junction

SECTION 5: PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

This section describes how to connect to the sonar, ensure all supporting data is present within the system for proper operation, and correctly time sync the 6205 data. It also briefly describes the EdgeTech DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC software and provides a list of the compatible third party topside interfaces. A complete guide to EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC software can be found in the Software User Manual (P/N 0014878).

5.1 Connecting to Sonar via Remote Desktop

There are two ways to connect to the 6205 Sonar depending on which interface box is connected:

1. 6205-R
2. 6205-P

5.1.1 Connecting with the 6205-R

If using a customer-supplied computer with the 6205-R (Rack Mount) Interface Box:

1. Navigate to the **Remote Desktop** application by clicking on the Windows Start button > All Programs > Accessories > Remote Desktop Connection. Alternatively, click on the Windows Start button, type **mstsc** in the search box, and hit <Enter>. The following window will appear:

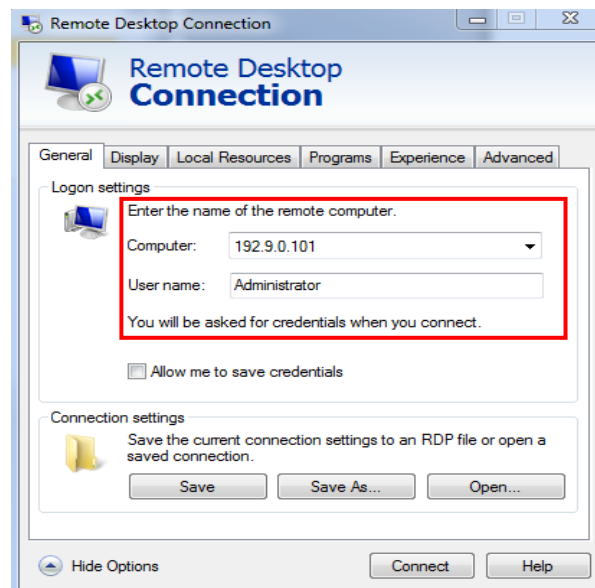


Figure 5-1: Manual Remote Desktop Credentials for Customer Supplied Computer

2. Connect to the 6205 Sonar using an IP address of **192.9.0.101** and User name of **Administrator**.
3. When prompted for a password, input **admin**.

Once logged on, the following window will appear:

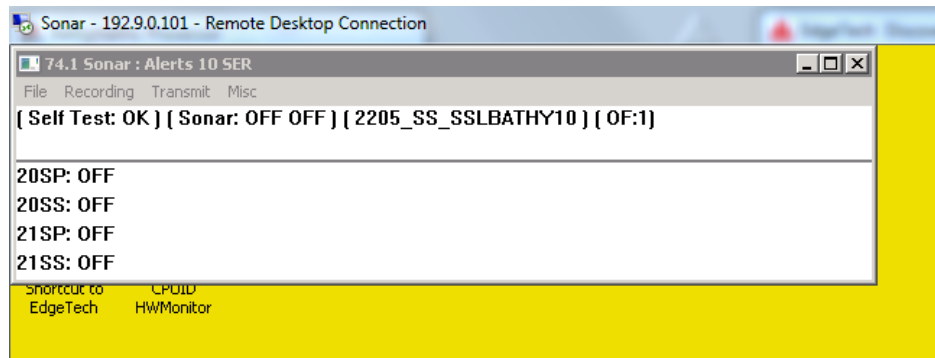


Figure 5-2: Sonar 192.9.0.101 Remote Desktop Connection Window

This window represents the main firmware running on the embedded CPU located in the bottle of the Sonar Head. Called *Sonar.exe*, this program is responsible for controlling the sonar's hardware and performs specific functions such as the signal processing and time synchronization of the acquired data.

5.1.2 Connecting with the 6205-P

If using an EdgeTech supplied laptop with the 6205-P (Portable Topside) Interface Box:

1. Launch the **Remote Desktop to Sonar** application on the desktop screen. If prompted for a password, input **admin**.

Once logged on, the Sonar Application will be displayed on the screen (as in [FIGURE 5-2](#)). This window represents the main firmware running on the embedded CPU located in the bottle of the Sonar Head. Called *Sonar.exe*, this program is responsible for controlling the sonar's hardware and performs specific functions, such as the signal processing and time synchronization of the acquired data.

5.2 Confirming Supporting Data is Present

To ensure Sonar Head's processing unit is communicating properly with Topside Processor, follow these steps:

NOTE: This section assumes all auxiliary sensors have been connected to the 6205 Interface Box (whether this is the 6205-R or 6205-P) the Sonar Head is installed on survey vessel and is submerged in seawater.

1. On the Desktop, launch **Remote Desktop to Sonar**. The following window should appear:

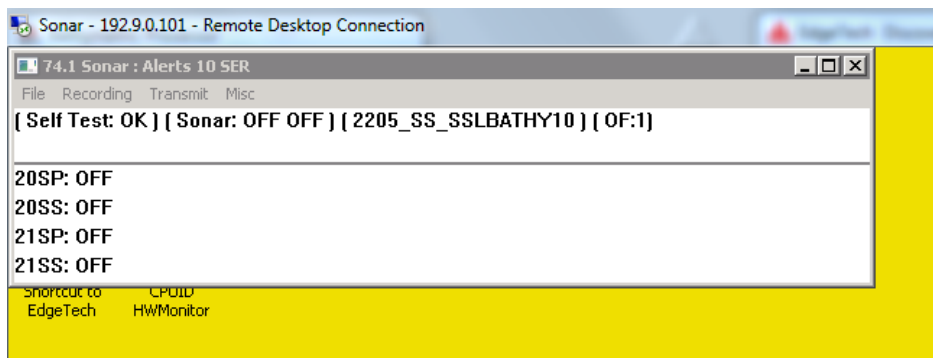


Figure 5-3: Sonar 192.9.0.101 Remote Desktop Connection Window

2. Click on Menu > Misc > Serial Port Information.
3. Check each COM port in the drop-down menu to ensure the correct baud rates are set and data is coming through for each device and in the correct format (FIGURE 5-4).
 - a. COM1 = MRU
 - b. COM2 = GPS
 - c. COM4 = Sound Velocity Sensor located in the Sonar Head's housing

NOTE: GPS and MRU are interchangeable on COM1 and COM2 as long as the appropriate baud rate is set in drop-down menu next to channel assignment in Serial Port Information Window (FIGURE 5-4, red arrow).

More information on how to configure the COM ports is presented in **APPENDIX B: CONFIGURING COM PORTS**.

If all systems are working properly, close this window and proceed to Step 4. If there is an issue with one of the ports, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.

CAUTION!

Sound velocity is extremely important for the system to operate correctly. If sound velocity measurements are not present (i.e., port is reporting no data), use **SECTION 7: TROUBLESHOOTING** to go through the troubleshooting process.

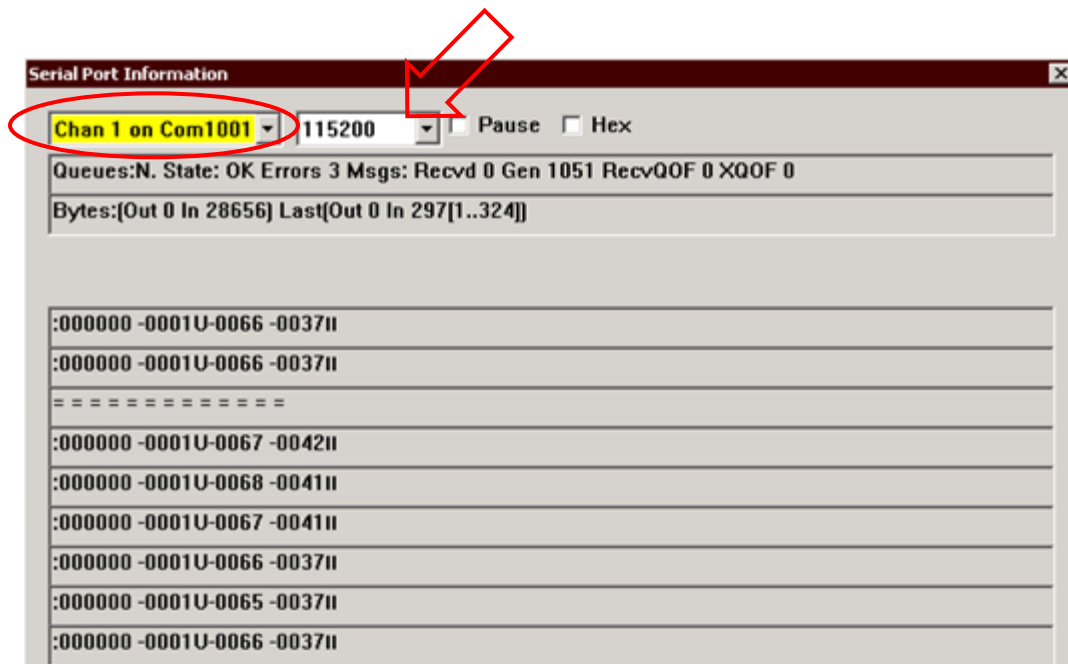


Figure 5-4: Serial Port Information Window

4. Click on Menu > **File** > **Show Status**. The System Status window will appear.

5. On the bottom of the window, click on the **Config** bullet and then on the drop-down menu named **Config Item**.
6. Select **Serial** from the list.
7. Check to make sure all sensors' usage percentages are well below 80% as shown in **FIGURE 5-5**. If they are not, increase the baud rates of the sensors until these percentages drop. Make sure to change the baud rate accordingly in **Sonar**.
8. When satisfied with the incoming data, press **OK** in the System Status window, and then close the **Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection** window.

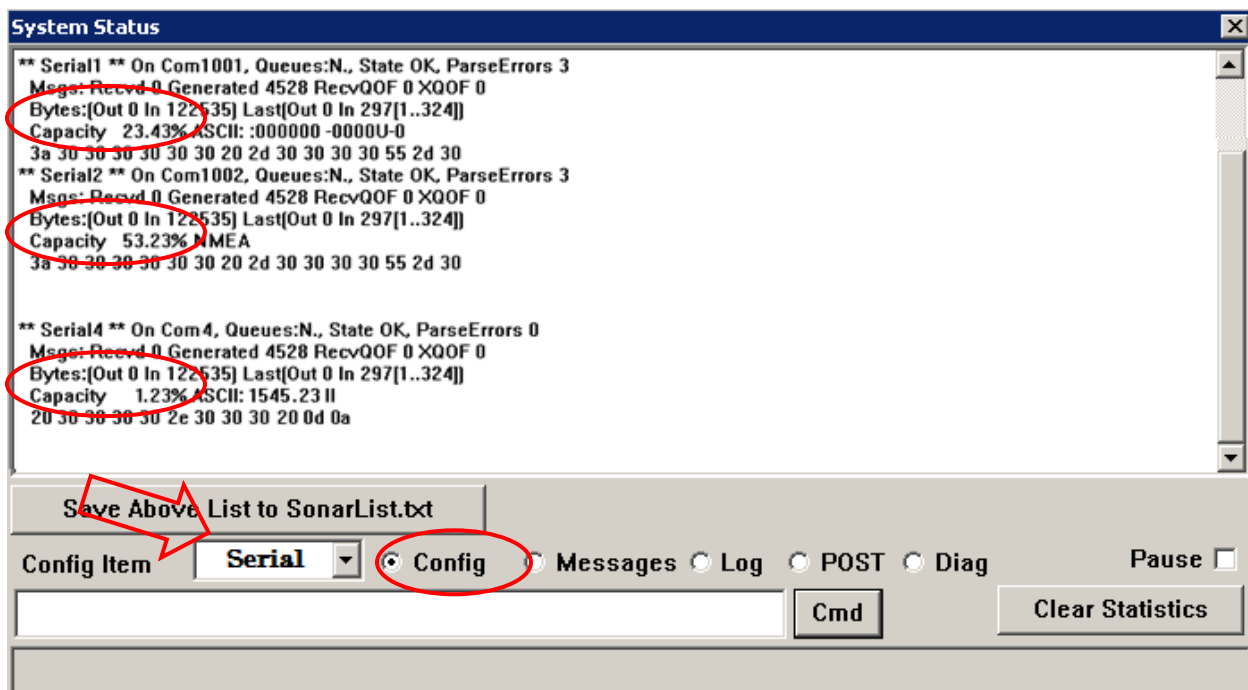


Figure 5-5: System Status Window

5.3 Activating 1PPS Time Sync Control

To activate 1PPS Time Sync Control for the 6205 System the following procedure must be performed:

NOTE: *This section assumes the 1PPS signal has been connected to the 6205 Interface Box (whether 6205-R or 6205-P) via a BNC connector and the Sonar Head is submerged in seawater.*

CAUTION!

The 6205 Sonar Head's transducers should NEVER be turned on when out of water, because the unit will overheat, causing permanent failure. In limited circumstances, the 6205 can be turned on, without the Transducers, to retrieve data, however, this should never exceed 30 minutes. Additional time can be added with air conditioning, but even then, it should never exceed one hour.

1. Connect to the 6205 Sonar via the Remote Desktop Application as laid out in sub-section 5.1.
2. Exit out of **Sonar.exe** application by clicking on **X** in top right-hand corner (FIGURE 5-6, red arrow).

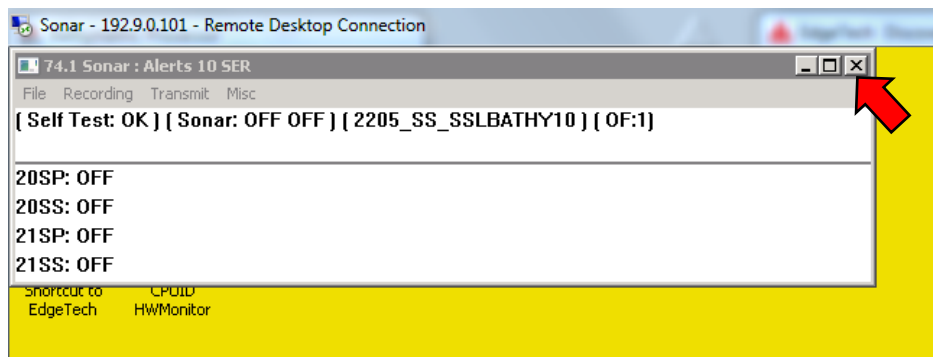


Figure 5-6: Sonar 192.9.0.101 Remote Desktop Connection Window

3. Click **EdgeTech Shortcut** folder on desktop and navigate to EdgeTech\SSSSonarBathy\Sonar folder.
4. Find the **sonar.ini** file and open it using the Notepad application.
5. Scroll to the bottom of the file and find the section labeled **Options for SAIBU Card**.

6. Delete semicolon in front of keyword **TimeSyncMask=4** so that the file looks identical to **FIGURE 5-7**.

```

=====
;Options for SAIBU Card
=====
[DSPO]
; Uncomment line below to enable 1 PPS hardware time sync on Trig C
; From interface box.
TimeSyncMask=4

```

Figure 5-7: Activating 1PPS Control in the Sonar.ini File

7. Save the file and exit.

CAUTION!

Ensure that no other field in this file is changed. This could lead to an improper configuration within the Sonar Application!

8. Navigate back to the yellow desktop window and click on the shortcut labeled **Sonar.exe**. The **Sonar.exe** application will reboot with the newly applied configuration to accept 1PPS time sync.
9. To ensure the 6205 System is using the new configuration, click on the **File** menu, and then **Show Status**. If the 1PPS is connected to the 6205 Interface Box via a BNC connector, then the **PPS: #** field should be incrementing as it receives the signal (**FIGURE 5-8**, circled in red).

If it is not incrementing, make sure the BNC is properly connected to the 1PPS function on the 6205 Interface Box. The Sonar application will also complain of a 1PPS error as indicated by the red arrow in **FIGURE 5-9**.

NOTE: Alerts 2 NET may appear in the Sonar application if the 6205 System is not connected to the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software and this alert may safely be disregarded at this time.

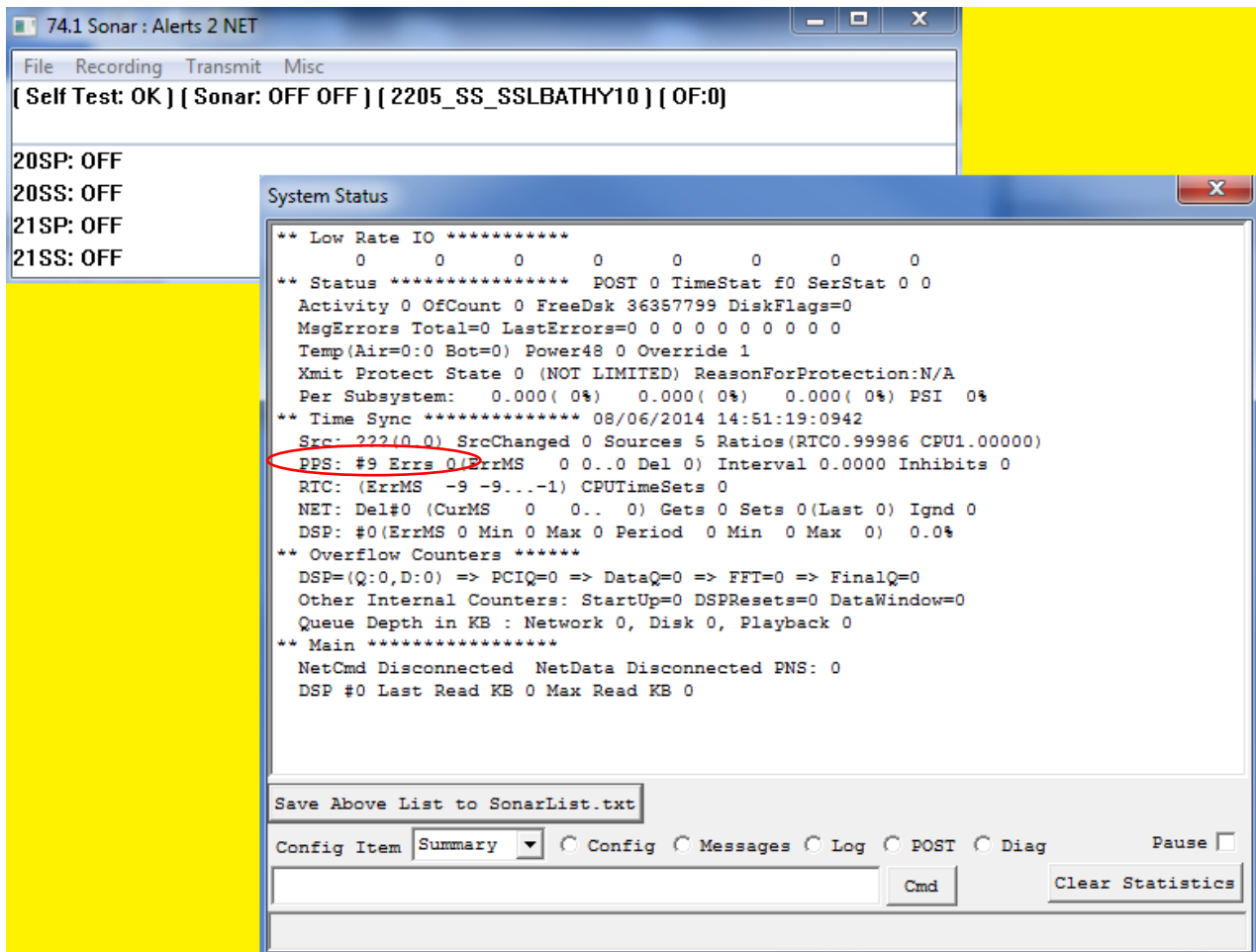


Figure 5-8: Incrementing Counts for 1PPS Signal

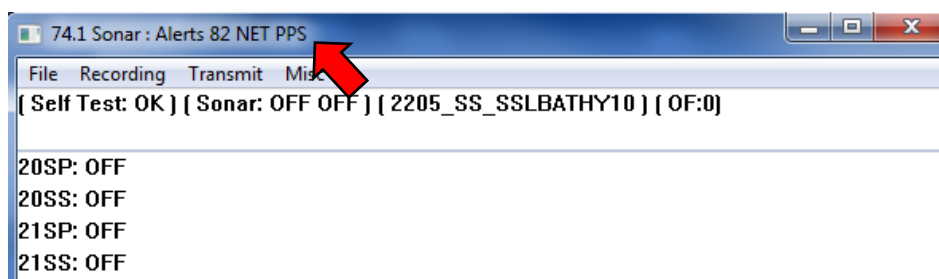


Figure 5-9: Sonar Alert for 1 PPS Error

- Close the Remote Desktop Application, launch the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software, and proceed with normal operations.

SECTION 6: SOFTWARE

6.1 DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC

EdgeTech's DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition package provides a way to control, store, and display bathymetric and dual-frequency side scan sonar data. These data are presented on a color waterfall display and stored in the binary EdgeTech JSF file format on the hard disk of the Topside Processor. The JSF file format has been in use for 10+ years and has new public extensions to support the additional bathymetry data messages.

Refer to the **DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software** Manual for a full description of its feature and functions (EdgeTech P/N 0014878).

6.2 Third Party Software

Currently, there are several third-party software packages that have been approved by EdgeTech to use with the 6205 System, and work continues to expand the number of available topsides. A brief description is listed below. For the latest list of third party topsides, contact **EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.

6.2.1 HYPACK

The processed bathymetry and side scan data is sent in real-time to the HYPACK®/HYSWEEP® survey applications. These applications display and record the bathymetric data in HYPACK's HSX format. These HSX files can then be used off line in the MBMax, Side Scan Mosaic, and other proprietary packages that support these formats to edit, clean, and mosaic the collected data.

For more information on Hypack, visit <http://www.hypack.com/new/>.

6.2.2 SonarWiz

SonarWiz from Chesapeake Technologies Inc. is an all-in-one suite of programs for real-time acquisition of sonar data. The latest version of SonarWiz, called SonarWiz 5, now offers a bathymetry module to acquire and post process the real time 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan data. The latest release also has the ability to ingest the native EdgeTech JSF files post survey in order to post process the sonar data files recorded by DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC.

For more information on SonarWiz, visit <http://www.chesapeaketech.com/products/sonarWiz-5.php>.

6.2.3 QINSy

QINSy is a hydrographic data acquisition, navigation, and processing software package. The suite of applications can be used for various types of surveys, ranging from simple single beam surveys up to complex offshore construction works.

For more information on QINSy, visit their website at: <http://www.qps.nl/display/qinsy/main>.

6.2.4 CARIS

CARIS HIPS and SIPS is a comprehensive bathymetric, seafloor imagery, and water column data-processing software. The HIPS and SIPS software enables the user to simultaneously process multibeam, backscatter, side scan sonar, LiDAR, and single beam data. With its latest importer, released in July 2014, it now supports EdgeTech's bathymetry and side scan data formats.

For more information on CARIS, visit their website at: <http://www.caris.com/>.

6.2.5 EIVA NaviSuite

EIVA's NaviSuite constitutes a complete, advanced, multipurpose suite of software products for virtually any subsea sonar and sensor survey or engineering operation. From online data acquisition to offline post-processing, NaviSuite covers the entire data workflow in a continuous, non-sequential process.

For more information on EIVA and its products, visit their website at: <http://www.eiva.com/products/software>.

SECTION 7: TROUBLESHOOTING

7.1 Troubleshooting the SV Sensor

In some cases, the sound velocity sensor may not boot properly. If this occurs, DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC will show a **Port 4: Error** on its **Diagnostic Window** indicating that no sound velocity measurements are being reported to the sonar head. An example of this error is shown in **FIGURE 7-1**.



Figure 7-1: No Sound Velocity on Port 4

If this error persists longer than 30 seconds, follow the procedure below in order to resolve the issue:

1. Place the Sonar Head in water deep enough to submerge the SV probe (the bottom half of the shell is submerged). This will submerge the sound velocity sensor as well.
2. On the Desktop, launch **Remote Desktop to Sonar**. The following window should appear:

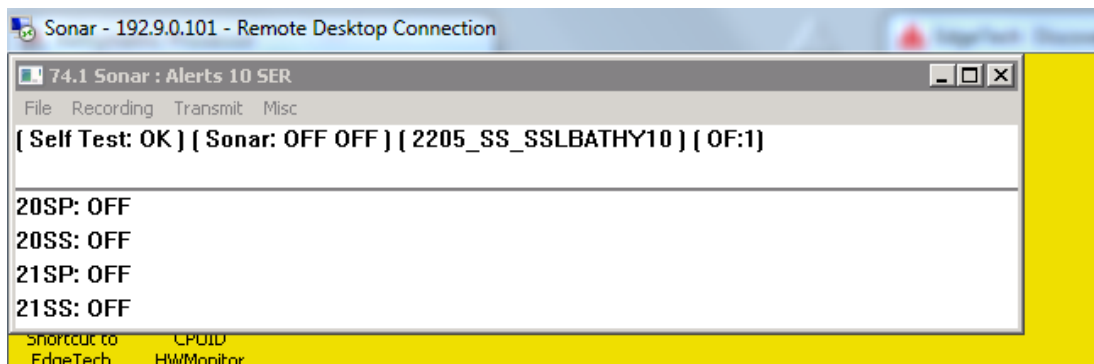


Figure 7-2: Sonar 192.9.0.101 Remote Desktop Connection Window

3. Click on Menu > Misc > Serial Port Information.
4. Check **Chan 4 on Com 4** from drop-down list to see if there is any data being reported by port.
5. If no data is present, cycle the power on the sonar head using the On/Off switch on the interface box. Allow the sonar to be off for at least 10 seconds before turning it back on.
6. Once the sonar is reconnected, go back into the **Remote Desktop** application and check **Chan 4 on COM 4** again as in step 4 above.
7. If data is reported by the port, then proceed to normal operation. If not, continue to step 8.
8. Close out of *Sonar.exe* by clicking on the 'X' in the top right corner (**FIGURE 7-3**, red arrow).

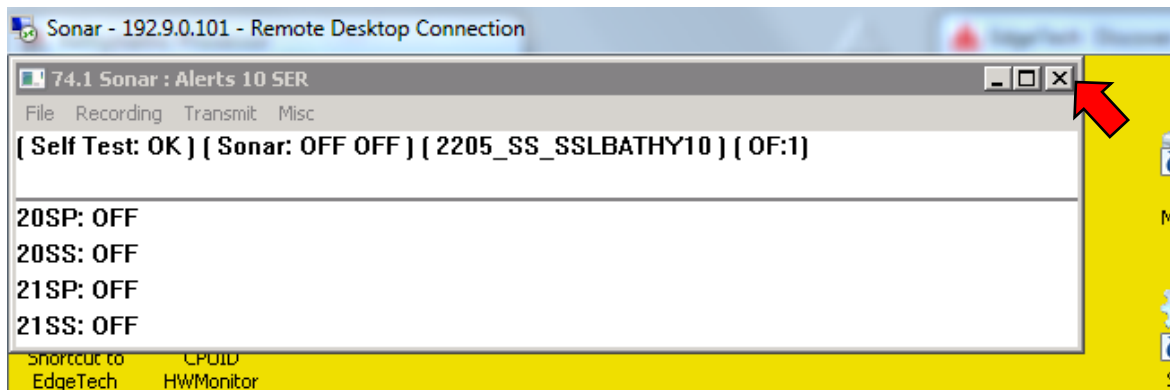


Figure 7-3: Closing the Sonar.exe Application

9. Double click "EdgeTech Shortcut" icon, then navigate to Utilities/Teraterm folder, and launch **ttermpro.exe** program.

10. Select **Serial**, choose **COM4** from the drop-down menu (**FIGURE 7-4**), and click **OK**.

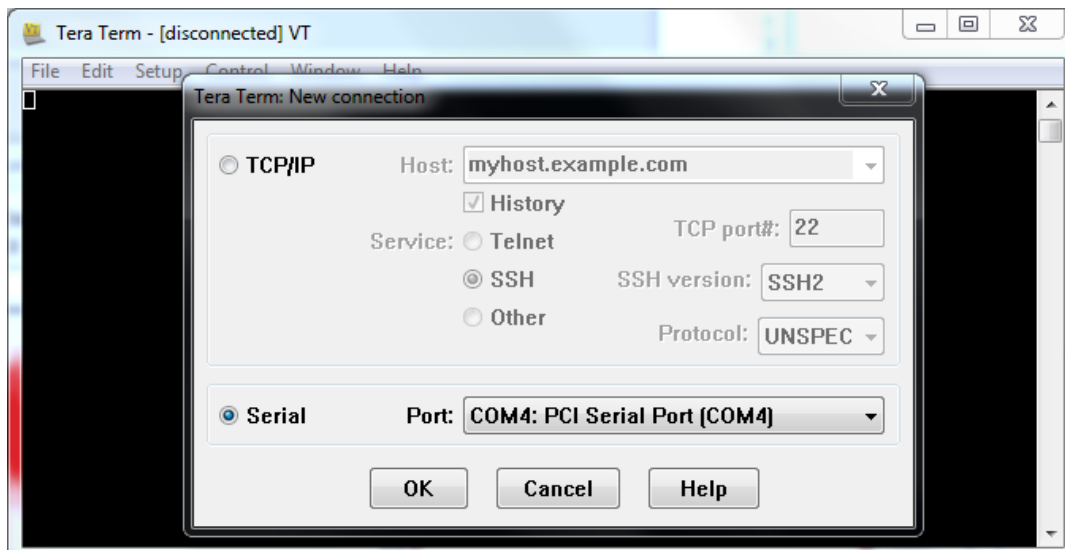


Figure 7-4: Connecting to COM4 using TeraTerm

11. Now, choose **Setup** from the top menu and then **Serial port...**
12. Configure the serial port options as shown in **FIGURE 7-5** and click **OK**.

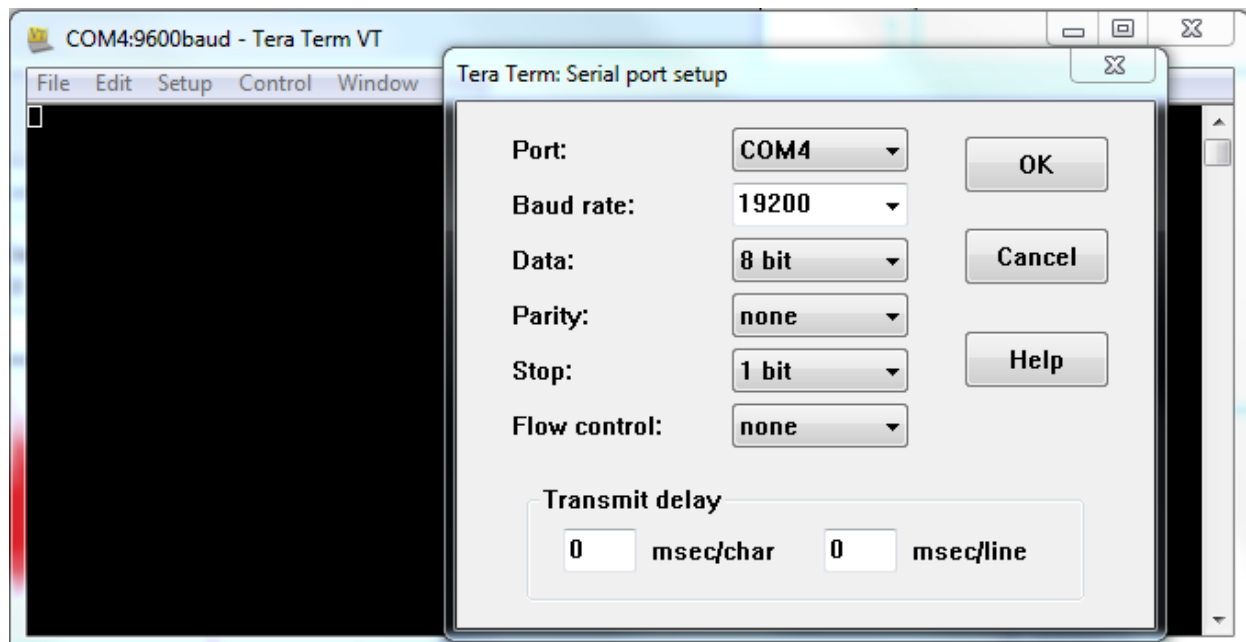


Figure 7-5: COM4 Port Settings

13. Input the following commands:

Hit <Enter> to start communications to SV sensor.
Type in "SET STARTUP NOHEADER" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET STARTUP MONITOR" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET SV FORMAT 42" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET SV ZEROSUPPRESSION 0 seconds" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET SAMPLE 1/S" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET DETECT 06" and <Enter>.
Type in "SET RXOFF" and <Enter>.

NOTE: The "SET RXOFF" command disables the Rx line to the SV sensor. If a connection needs to be reestablished, press and hold <Enter> for 3-5 seconds until >>> is displayed on the screen. Proceed to enter commands as normal.

14. Cycle the power on the Sonar Head using the On/Off switch on the interface box. Allow the sonar to be off for at least 10 seconds before turning it back on.
15. Reconnect to the sonar via the Remote Desktop application and check COM4 using the Sonar application as before in steps 3 and 4 above. SV data should not be scrolling as in:

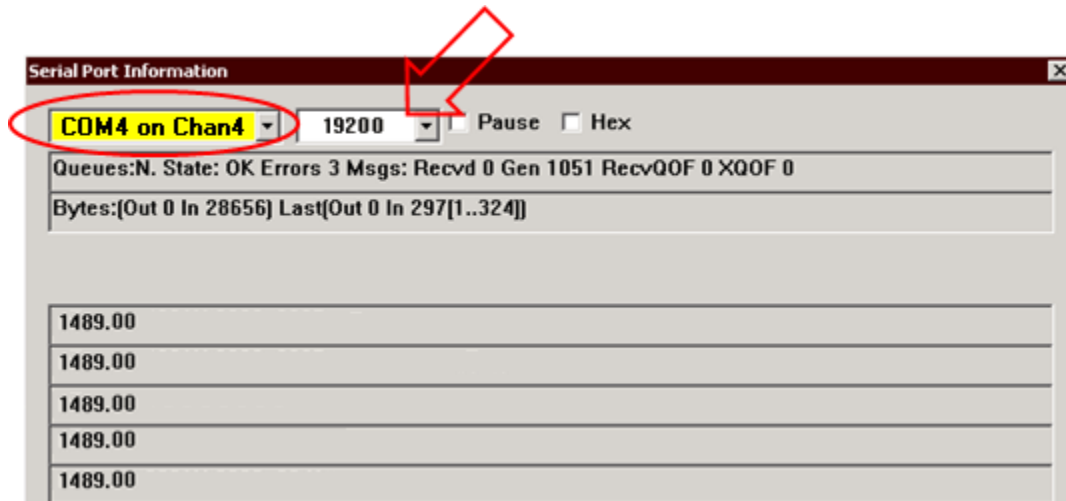


Figure 7-6: Scrolling SV Data in Sonar.exe

16. If SV data is still not present, contact [EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) with the noted information.

7.2 Configuring Auxiliary Sensors for Redundant Information

Redundant auxiliary information is defined here as multiple sources of the same class of auxiliary information (e.g. roll, pitch, heading) being inputted to the 6205 Interface box. Redundant auxiliary sensor information, especially heading, can cause a significant alignment problem in the 6205 data and must be avoided at all costs.

Sequential sonar data packets will be stuffed varying from source, causing inconsistency. In the event the auxiliary sensors cannot be reprogrammed to output select data messages the DISCOVER software should be configured so that only one specific source of information is used. There are two scenarios of redundant data: Two Sensors Supplying the Same Message String, and Two Sensors Supplying the Same Information but from Different Messages. Ensure to follow the correct procedure outlined below as it varies depending on the output strings available from the auxiliary sensors.

7.2.1 Two Different Sensors Supplying the Same Message

If two different sensors are outputting the same message (NMEA HDT, for example) and the sensors cannot be reprogrammed, then DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Software has to be configured to accept the HDT information from one of the sensors only. To do so, use the procedure described below.

NOTE: *The configuration described below only works if there are two sensors outputting the same specific message (like HDT). It does not, however, work for different messages that contain the same information (i.e. OCTANS and HDT). Refer to Scenario 7.3.2 in this case.*

1. Open the Auxiliary Sensors control dialog box (**Configuration** menu > **Auxiliary Sensors**) as shown in **FIGURE 7-10** and **FIGURE 7-11**.

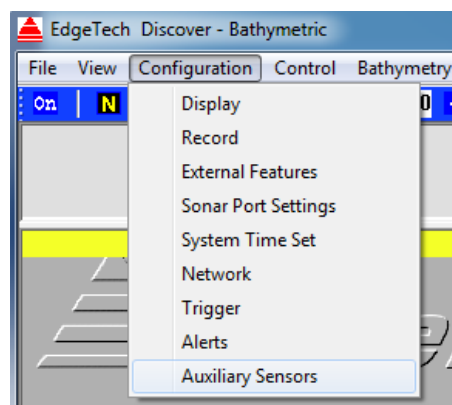


Figure 7-7: Configuration Menu

		Total	Not Processed	Average Rate (Hz)
Pitch / Roll:	ON	1668	0	55.87
Pressure:	ON	35	35	1.11
Altitude:	ON	0	0	---
SV:	ON	35	0	1.11
NMEA:		1369	0	
GGA:	COM1	334	0	11.11
GLL:	OFF	0	0	---
RMA:	OFF	0	0	---
RMC:	OFF	0	0	---
HDG:	OFF	0	0	---
HDT:	COM2	0	334	11.11
DPT:	OFF	0	0	---
DBT:	OFF	0	0	---
VTG:	COM1	334	0	11.11
ETC:	OFF	0	0	---
GGK:	COM1	334	0	11.10
HYDRO:	OFF	0	0	---
PASHR:	OFF	0	0	---
HEAVEA:	OFF	0	0	---

Figure 7-8: Auxiliary Sensors

- Specify what serial port to use for each particular input message. In **FIGURE 7-8** COM1 is used to feed GGA, VTG, and GGK (**FIGURE 7-11**, red box) to the 6205 Sonar Head, while COM 2 feeds in HDT (**FIGURE 7-11**, green box).
- When satisfied with the serial port setup, click on the **X** at the top right of the dialog box.
- Monitor status bar at the very bottom of DISCOVER to ensure all supporting data is present (**FIGURE 7-12**, red box).

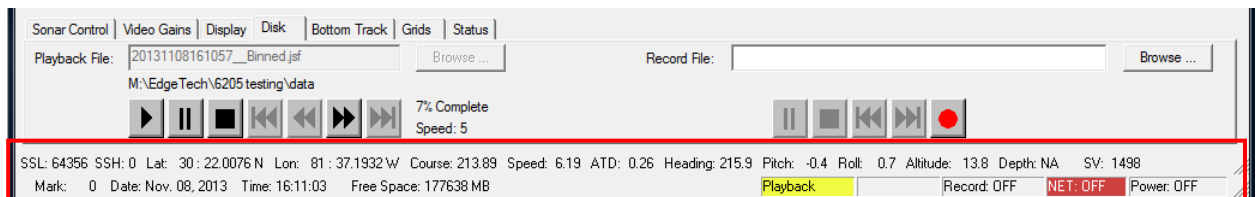


Figure 7-9: Sonar Control Tab

NOTE: For more information about the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software, refer to the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Software Manual (PN0014878).

7.2.2 Two Sensors Output Same Information with Different Messages

Some motion sensors cannot turn off specific fields within their output strings. For example, a sensor that outputs an OCTANS message delivers roll, pitch, heading, and heave to the 6205 Sonar Head with no way for the particular sensor to turn off any of these specific fields. If a sensor like this is paired with another sensor that outputs the same information but in a different message format (i.e. NMEA HDT), then there is redundant information being supplied to the system. As stated before, this poses a problem and can lead to a significant alignment error in the 6205 data.

To correct this, the 6205 can be programmed to ignore specific fields within one particular message. Use the example above and state the second heading sensor is preferred. Proceed to the following steps:

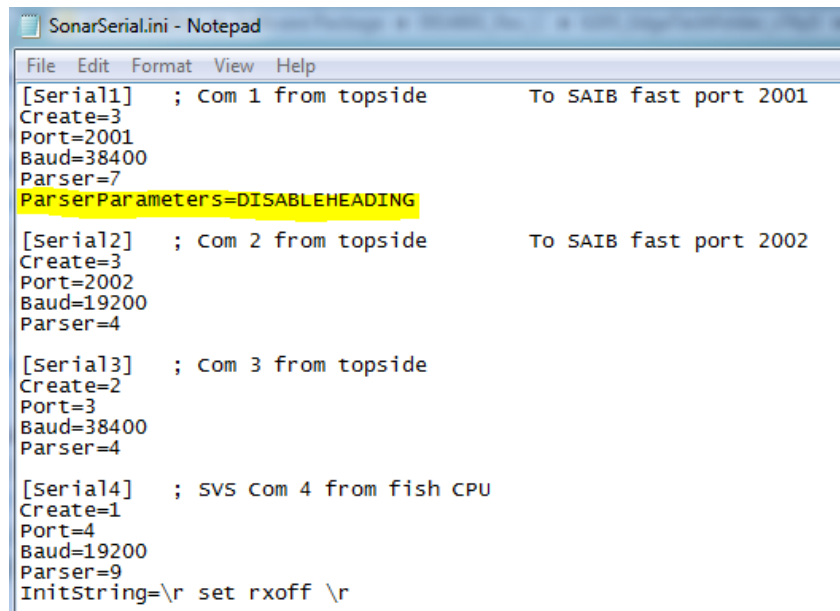
1. Log in to Remote Desktop as outlined in sub-section 5.1.
2. Double click on the folder labeled “Shortcut to EdgeTech Folder”.
3. Navigate to the D:/EdgeTech/SSSSonarBathy/Sonar and open the **SonarSerial.ini** file.

WARNING

Be careful in manipulating this file and only change what is stated in these directions. Changing any other field may cause sonar malfunction.

4. Find the serial port outputting the redundant message and under **Parser** field add the words **ParserParameters=DISABLEHEADING** For example, if COM 1 on interface box is used to input an OCTANS message at a baud rate of 38400, then SonarSerial.ini should be manipulated to reflect

FIGURE 7-13.



```
File Edit Format View Help
[Serial1] ; Com 1 from topside To SAIB fast port 2001
Create=3
Port=2001
Baud=38400
Parser=7
ParserParameters=DISABLEHEADING
[Serial2] ; Com 2 from topside To SAIB fast port 2002
Create=3
Port=2002
Baud=19200
Parser=4
[Serial3] ; Com 3 from topside
Create=2
Port=3
Baud=38400
Parser=4
[Serial4] ; SVS Com 4 from fish CPU
Create=1
Port=4
Baud=19200
Parser=9
InitString=\r set rxoff \r
```

Figure 7-10: SonarSerial.ini

NOTE: This new keyword disables heading message from the OCTANS message. The same can be done with an EM1000 binary format message. Heading and heave are currently the only fields that can be enabled/disabled in the SonarSerial.ini file.

To disable heave: ParserParameters=DISABLEHEAVE

5. Save the file and exit.
6. Power cycle the 6205 Sonar Head, allowing at least 15 seconds between switching off and on.

SECTION 8: FAQ

This section provides a list of frequently asked questions pertaining to the EdgeTech 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan System.

1. **Which frequency is better? The 230 kHz or the 550 kHz?**

Both systems work very well, but each has its own benefits depending on the environment, water depth, and application. For customers who mainly operate in open ocean environments with a depth of 10 to 200 meters (32 to 656 ft) of water, the 230 kHz system is the optimal solution. For customer's surveying mostly in channels, creeks, and other enclosed bodies of water and operating in depths of about 0.5 to 50 meters (1.5 to 165 ft), the 550 kHz system is the best fit. Contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) for more information on the benefits of each system.

2. **Does the 6205 system interface with Ethernet devices?**

Yes, the 6205 can receive data from supporting sensors via the Ethernet connection utilizing UDP. Refer to [SUB-SECTION B.4](#) for more information on configuring 6205 for UDP data transfer.

3. **Where is the best place to mount the 6205 Sonar Head on the survey vessel?**

The bow of a survey vessel is always the best place to mount the 6205 Sonar Head. By placing the system at the bow, the sonar should be far enough away from most interference, such as hull echoes, propeller noise, wake, etc.

4. **How long can I keep my 6205 Sonar Head in the water for?**

The 6205 system was not designed with a permanent submerged installation in mind. It is recommended that the 6205 system remain submerged for no longer than 2 weeks at a time, especially in warm, salty waters. Fouling and corrosion may degrade the measurements of the 6205 system and/or the sound velocity sensor in the bottom of the Sonar Head.

It is recommended that the array faces be checked regularly, and if fouling is observed, to clean them using a wash cloth with mild soap and fresh water. It is also recommended that the SVS in the bottom of the housing be regularly inspected and cleaned, as well as calibrated once every two years.

5. **How often should I rinse my system?**

Rinse the 6205 Sonar Head after every mission. Pay special attention to the SVS sitting in the bottom portion of the housing, and the connectors towards the back of the housing, rinsing them thoroughly using the rinse holes provided.

6. **What if the 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface Box does not turn on?**

If the 6205-R Rack Mount Topside Interface Box does not turn on, check the on/off switch on the back panel. It is located next to the power plug.

7. **Do I always need a sound velocity cast?**

It is always a good idea to collect a sound velocity profile, especially in the area where the user collected his or her patch test data. Most likely the water being operated in does not have a uniform sound velocity, and depending on how drastic the profile is, a depth error as large as 1.6 m has been observed.

8. **Can I incorporate RTK Tide measurements with the 6205 System?**

Yes. Most third-party software packages have the ability to set up a device driver to acquire these data. A 1PPS sync is needed in this case, as these measurements are typically manipulated offline. See sub-section **5.2: CONFIRMING SUPPORTING DATA IS PRESENT**.

9. **Why can't I feed navigation directly into the Topside Computer?**

In order for the 6205 to properly process the bathymetry data, it needs all of the auxiliary data, such as time, position, heading, roll, pitch, and heave. By inputting the supporting device directly into the computer poses a risk of mismatching time stamps. If the time stamps do not match, the bathymetric processor will not know which ping to coordinate the auxiliary data with.

10. **How often should I connect to the Remote Desktop Connection (Sonar.exe) and check to see the status of the supporting data?**

The user should only need to do this if a device is not connected properly. If this is the case, DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC will display its diagnostic window and show which serial port is causing the error. Usually going in to the Remote Desktop application is done during training with an experienced representative from EdgeTech present. Except as outlined in this manual, it is not recommended for users to connect to the sonar without EdgeTech support.

11. **What do I do if I do not see data scrolling in DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC?**

Check to see if the Sonar Head has connected to DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC by checking the status of the network (NET: ON) down in the right-hand corner of the DISCOVER main window (see the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software Manual for more information). It usually takes about a minute and a half for the Sonar Head to boot and connect to the Topside Processor. If the problem persists, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.

12. **What do I do if the Diagnostic window will not disappear, even after I've clicked Done?**

If DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC is connected, check the Diagnostic window for any missing data on any of the three/four COM ports (depending on how the particular system has been configured). If one Port is showing "Port Inactive", check the connection of the device and the Topside Interface Box. If a Port is showing "Unknown Data", first check to make sure the baud rate matches the sonar's baud rate as in sub-section **5.1 CONNECTING TO SONAR VIA REMOTE DESKTOP**. If this matches, then check the format of the devices output data. Ensure the data format follows sub-section **3.1** of this manual). If the problem persists, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.

13. Can the 6205 acquire dual frequency side scan at the same time as the bathymetry data?

The 6205 can log all three data sets simultaneously to the same data file (i.e., bathymetry, low frequency side scan, and high frequency side scan) in real-time.

14. Can the 6205 System measure pilings or vertical objects?

The 6205 System can measure vertical objects, if configured to do so. By default, the system is set to record and bin the data using a specified number of horizontal bins. To map vertical objects, change the binning mode to Angle Binning. See DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Manual for further instructions.

15. What do I do if I do not see data scrolling in my Third-Party Software?

Check to see if DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC is connected to the third-party software using the Connections Information window (or more information, refer to the DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC Acquisition Software manual). Also, ensure all ancillary data is coming through DISCOVER and across to the third-party software. In most cases, the ancillary information is needed before the third-party software can plot soundings on their real-time display.

16. Which third party software packages interface with the 6205 Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan System?

EdgeTech has approved a small number of Third-Party Topsides for acquisition and processing of Bathymetry and Side Scan data. Currently, Hypack, SonarWiz, and QINSy software packages have been approved, but work continues to expand the number of topsides. CARIS HIPS/SIPS supports our native JSF files for post processing. Contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) for updates.

17. What should I do if my portable topside (i.e. 6205 laptop) crashes?


Refer to [APPENDIX A: SYSTEM RESTORE](#) for instructions on how to restore the portable topside. If the user experiences any issues, contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) immediately so we can help restore the system and get the survey back up and running as soon as possible.

APPENDIX A: SYSTEM RESTORE

The following section outlines the procedures for backing up and restoring the system drive.

CAUTION!

All data will be lost upon restoring the system to factory settings. Be sure to backup all data before performing the procedure below.

18. Ensure that topside is off.
19. Insert USB3 flash drive in blue USB3 port.
20. Start topside and be prepared to press **F**** key when prompted:
 - a. If the topside is rack mount, press **F11**.
 - b. If the topside is a laptop, press **F12**.
21. Under **select boot device**: By using up/down arrow keys, select **EUEFI: Corsair Voyager 3.0 000A**, then press **Enter**.
22. Wait for **Paragon Backup & Recovery 14 Home** screen to appear, then click **Restore** icon.
23. On **Welcome to the Restore Wizard** screen click **Next**.
24. On **Browse for Archive** screen, drag down menu and click on  to the left of **(E:)**. Click on folder named as a variation of **V*.*.*)_****R** for rack mounts, or **V*.*.*)_****P** for laptops. When **Archive File Details** window appears, click **Next**.
25. At **What to restore** window, click **Basic MBR Hard Disk 0**, click **Next**.
26. At **Where to restore** window, ensure that **Basic MBR Hard Disk 0** is already selected (brown box around it). If it is not, use up/down arrow keys to select. Click **Next**.
27. At **Restore results** window, make no selection and click **Next**.
28. At the **Ready to restore from the archive** window, select **Yes, apply the changes physically**. Click **Next**. *Restoring will begin.*
29. At **Completing the restore wizard**, click **Finish**. Click **Shutdown**.
30. Remove USB3 flash drive and restart topside.

APPENDIX B: CONFIGURING COM PORTS

There are three available COM ports on the Interface Box to provide the necessary information to the 6205. This information includes position (latitude/longitude), heading, attitude (roll, pitch, and heave), and time. This appendix explains how to configure the three COM ports depending on what type of sensors are used.

B.1 One Sensor

One sensor, such as the Applanix PosMV, may be used to supply position (latitude/longitude), heading, attitude, and a time source. For this type of configuration, only COM1 will be utilized.

To configure the COM ports for one sensor:

1. Turn on Topside PC and connect the 6205 via the deck cable to the 6205 Topside Interface Box.
2. Turn on the 6205 Sonar Head and run the Remote Desktop Application, named Sonar. The main screen as in [FIGURE B-1](#) should appear.

Here, the user will see the Sonar Application running (designated by the blue arrow). This is the firmware that controls the system.

3. Click on the 'X' at the top right to close the firmware.
4. Now, double click on Shortcut to EdgeTech icon ([FIGURE B-2](#), red arrow) and open SSSonarBathy folder, then Sonar folder.
5. Look for the SonarSerial.ini file ([FIGURE B-3](#)) and open it using WordPad or Notepad ([FIGURE B-4](#)).
6. Under [Serial2] and [Serial3] set Create = 0, select File > Save, and close the file.

CAUTION!

Do not alter the file in any way other than what has been specified.

This will deactivate COM ports 2 and 3. By deactivating these ports, Sonar will report to DISCOVER that only one sensor is to be used on COM1 to parse the necessary sensor information. Therefore, DISCOVER will not display any errors if a sensor is not connected to COM2 or COM3.

If steps 3 through 6 were not carried out, then these errors would be reported in the Diagnostic window ([FIGURE B-5](#)).

7. Close the SonarSerial.ini file and reboot the Sonar Firmware by double clicking on the Sonar icon in the main Sonar Remote Desktop Screen ([FIGURE B-6](#), designated by green arrow).

Proceed to Step 8.

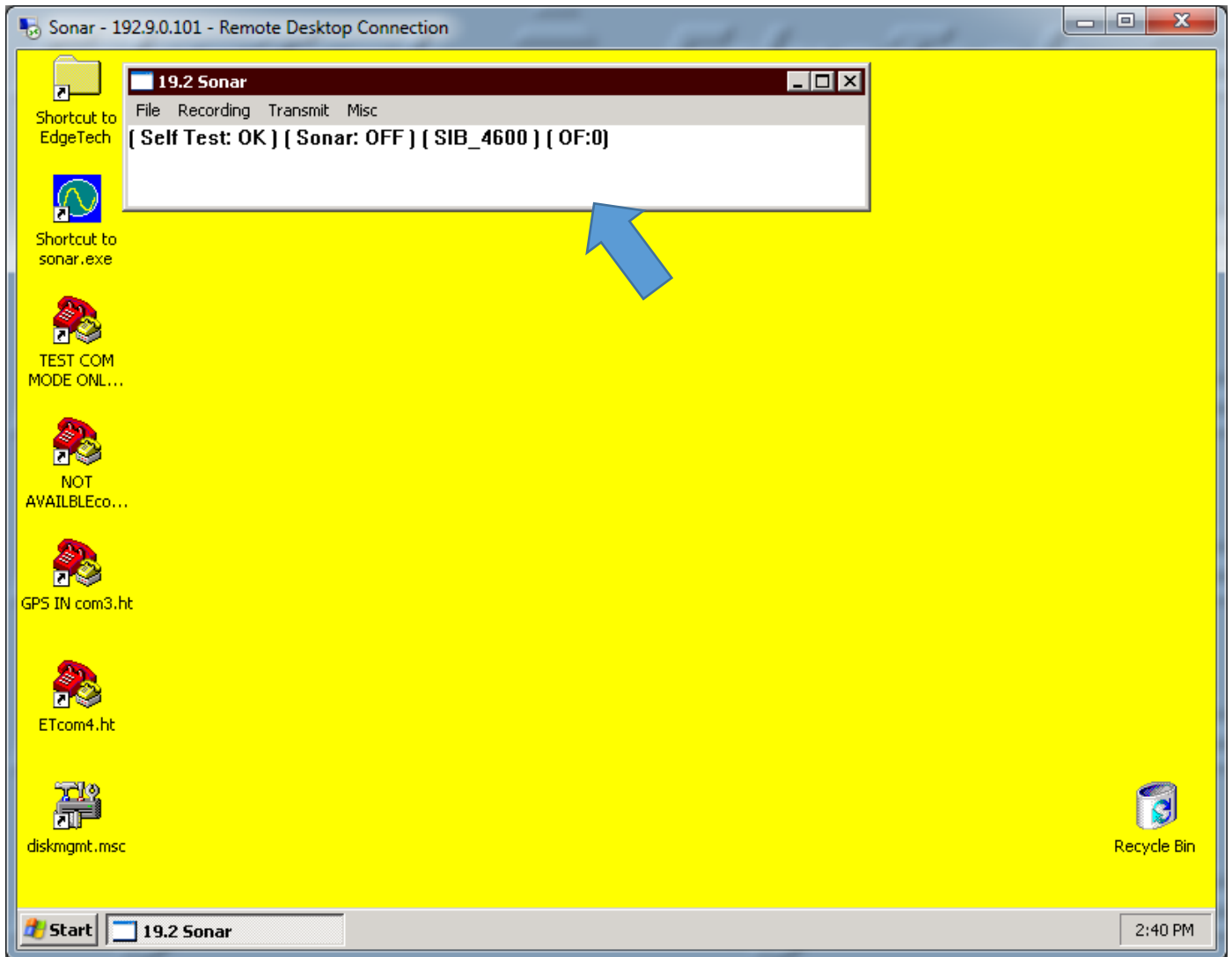


Figure B-1: Sonar Remote Desktop Application, Main Screen

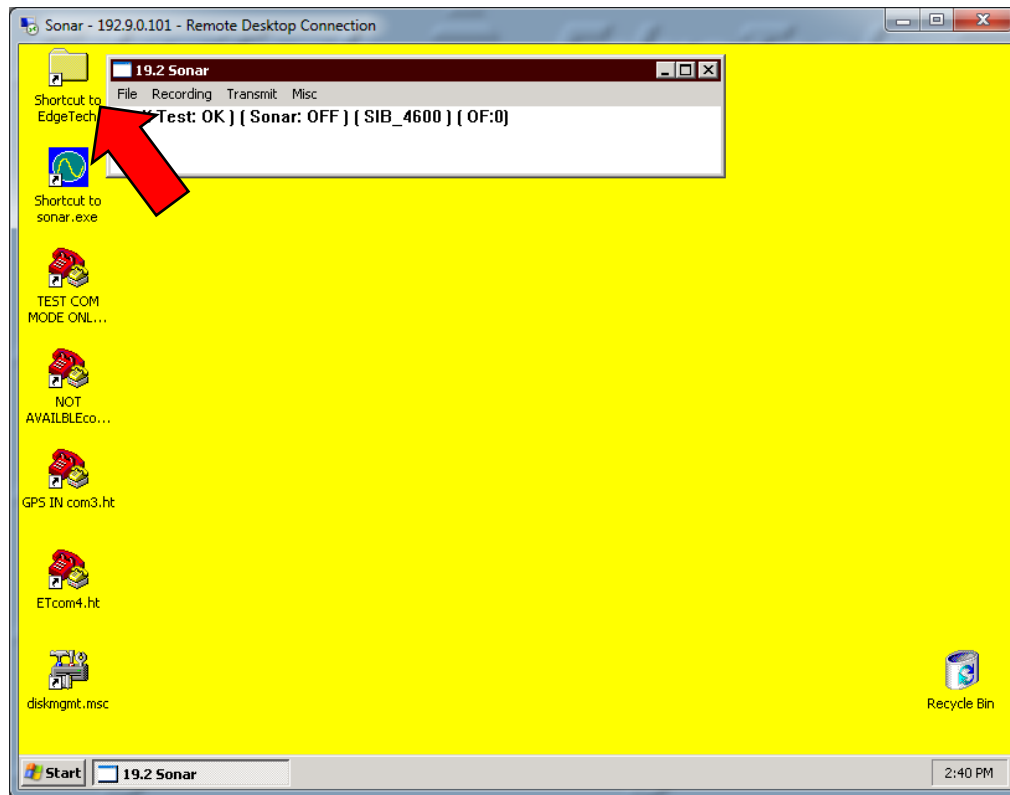


Figure B-2: Sonar Remote Desktop, Shortcut to EdgeTech Folder

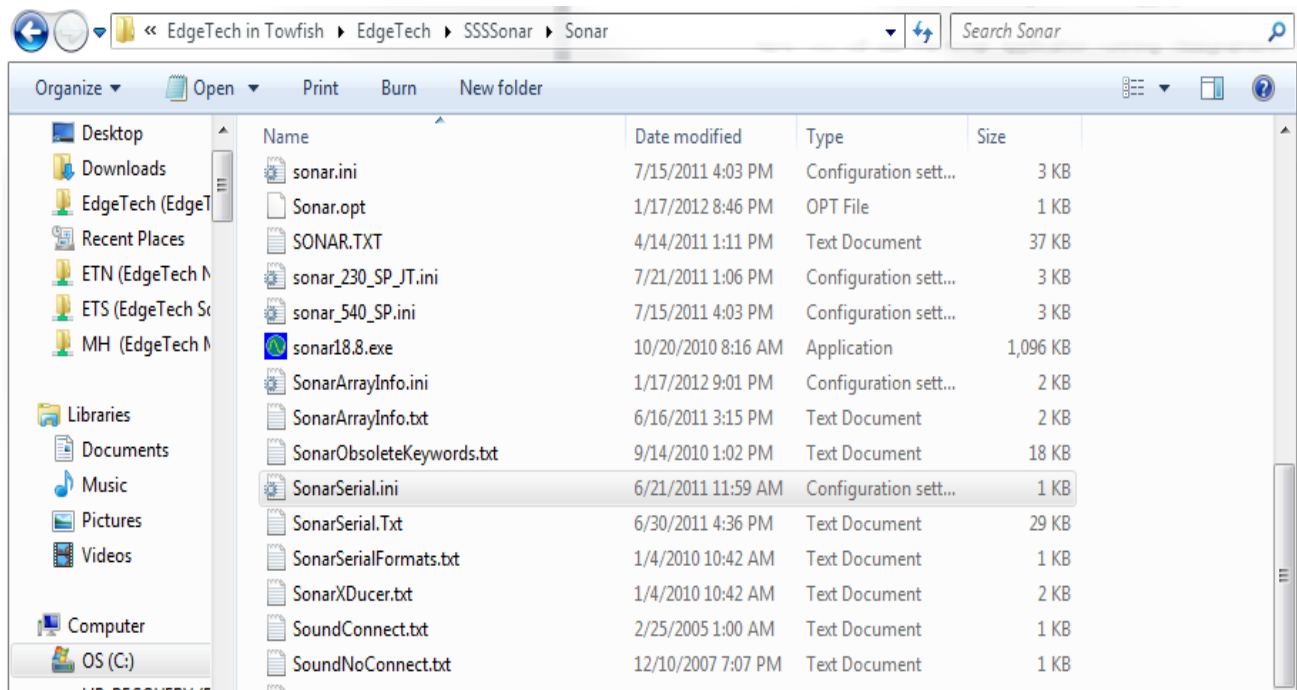


Figure B-3: Finding the SonarSerial.ini File

```

SonarSerial.ini - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
[Serial1]
; Set for GPS or MRU (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4 ;Must be 4
Port=1001
;Baud=9600
Baud=38400

[Serial2]
; Set for TSS (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=1002
Baud=115200 ;115200 for ORE MRU or 38400 bit for the SMC
Disk=1
VerifyChecksum=0

[Serial3]
; Spare Port, change create to 1 to use
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=3
;Baud=9600
Baud=9600
;wetportchecksum = 100

[Serial4] ;Dont touch ever or there will be no sound velocity data
; Com4 set for Valeport MinisVS
; Setup: Using the vendor provided configuration utility, set the following:
;   Baud:          19200
Create=1
Parser=9
Port=4
Baud=19200
    
```

Figure B-4: SonarSerial.ini File

Diagnostic Information	
Connection to Towfish Electronics Good	
Service Flag:	0x30000000
Power (V):	51.1
Ambient (C):	30.0
Time Sync:	None
Port1:	Port Inactive
Port2:	Port Inactive
Port4:	Active
Overflow Count:	0
Error Count:	58
Resets:	0
Activity:	388216

Connection to Towfish Electronics Good
 Sonar Head is ON and CONNECTED
 GPS/IMU is DISCONNECTED
 IMU/GPS is DISCONNECTED
 SVS is ON and CONNECTED

Figure B-5: Diagnostic Window, Reporting Ports Inactive Error

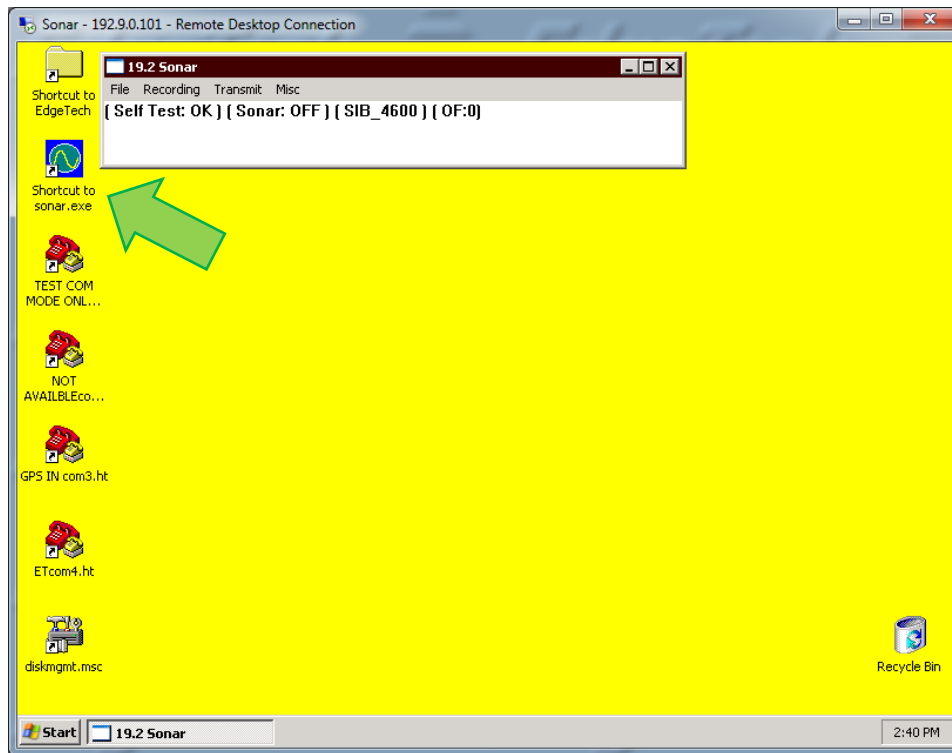


Figure B-6: Rebooting Sonar from the Main Screen

8. Now, plug the device into COM 1.
9. Click on the **Misc.** at the top of the Sonar screen (as shown in [FIGURE B-7](#)), then **Serial Port Information**.
10. Check COM1 and set the correct baud rate for that device by using the drop-down menu shown in blue ([FIGURE B-7](#)). When the correct baud rate is set, the State should say **OK** and **Errors** should not be increasing (as circled in green, [FIGURE B-7](#)). The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window (green arrow, [FIGURE B-7](#)).
11. Now click on **File > Show Status** in the sonar window (circled in red, [FIGURE B-8](#)).
12. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under the Update button and then on the drop-down menu named **Config Item** (in green).
13. Select **Serial** and then click on the **Update** button several times (blue arrow).
14. Check to make sure the sensor's usage percentage is well below 80% (circled in purple). If it is not, increase the baud rate of the sensor, change the baud rate under Serial Port Information as done before in step 10, and check the Status again. Otherwise, the sonar will report errors. Proceed to step 15.

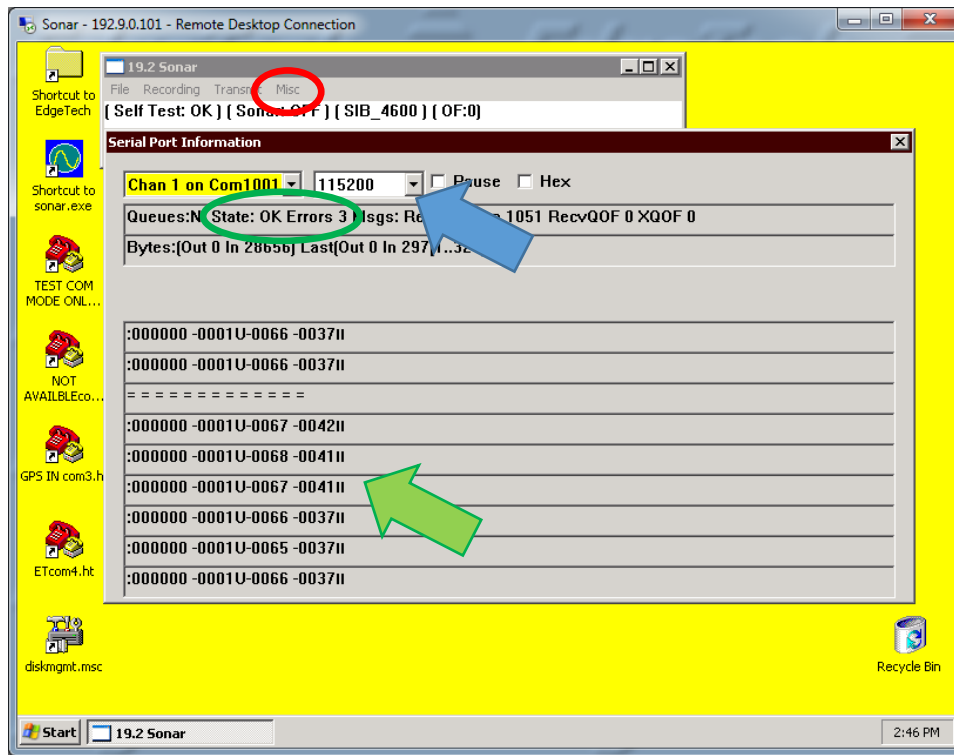


Figure B-7: Checking Serial Port Information

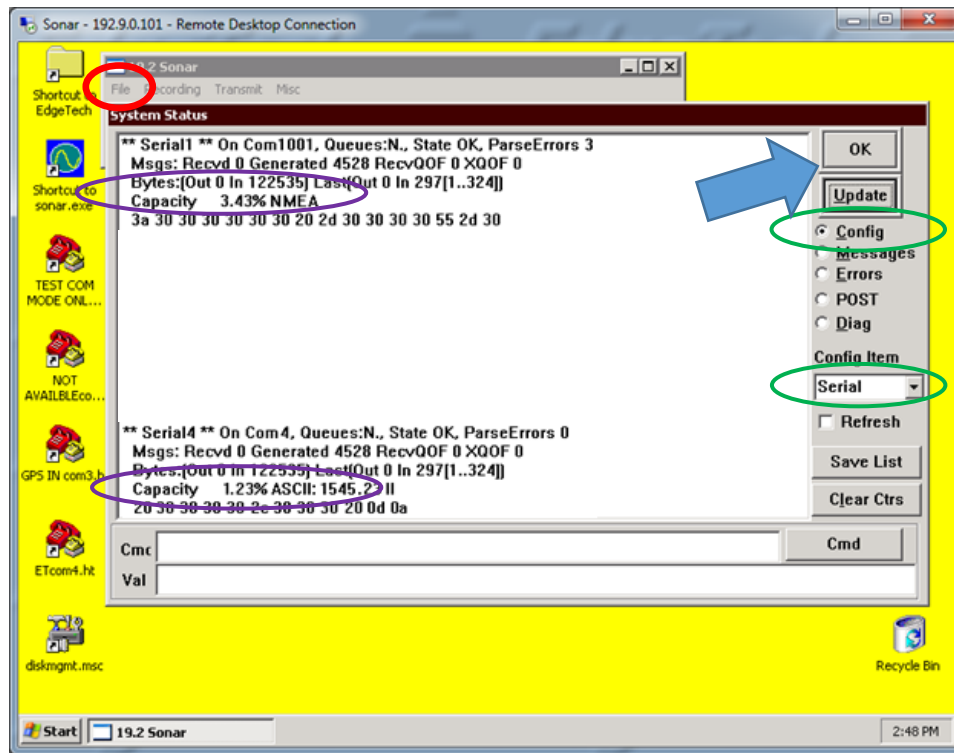


Figure B-8: Checking Sensor Status

15. When satisfied with the incoming data, press OK in the System Status window (**FIGURE B-9**).

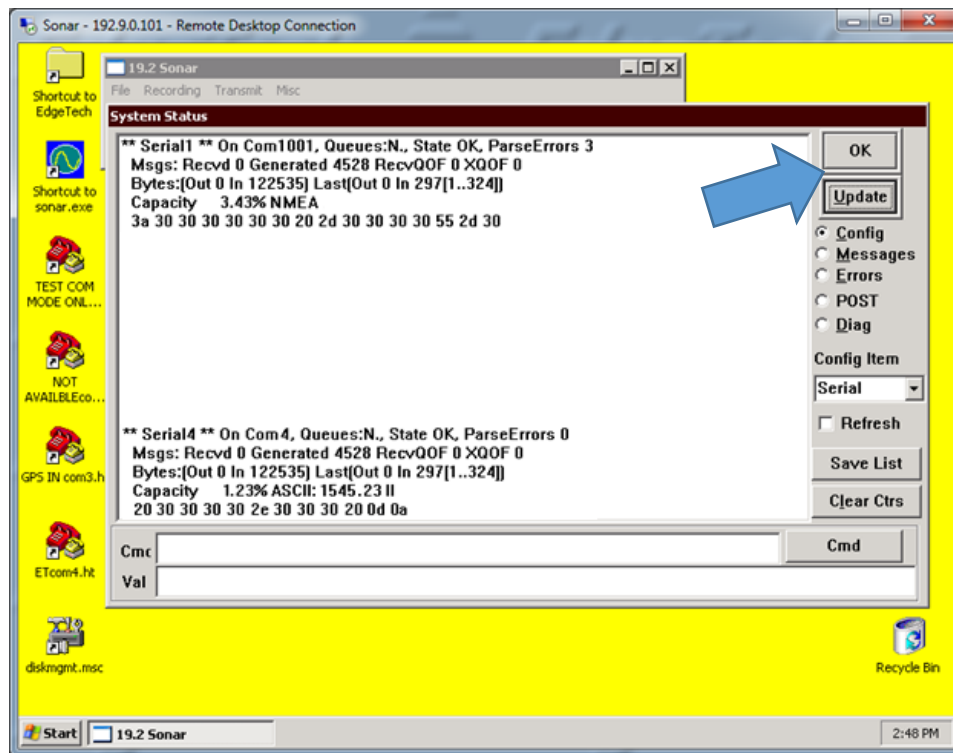


Figure B-9: Closing the System Status Window

16. Finally, close the Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection window.

NOTE: *If this window is left open during data acquisition, the user may experience a very slow computer. This is because the remote desktop application uses a large amount of the link capacity to stay open. So it is always a good idea to close the remote desktop application when finished with configurations.*

B.2 Two Sensors

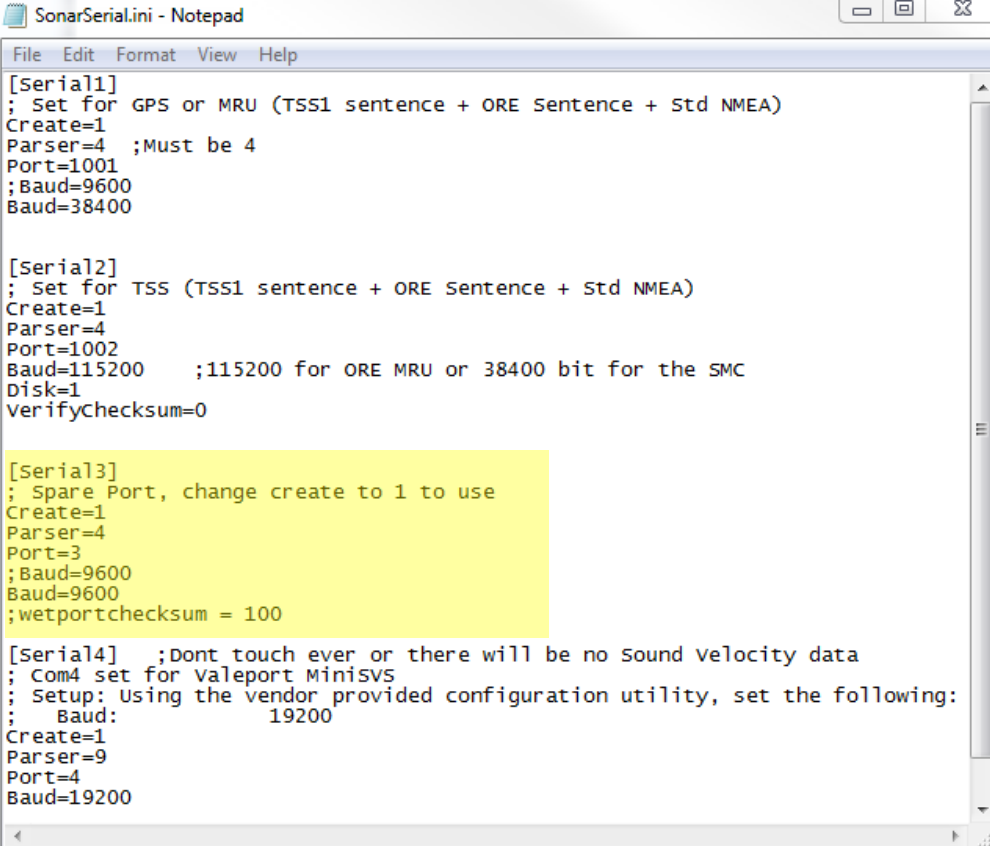
Two sensors, such as a dual-headed GPS (heading, position, and time source) and a Motion Reference Unit (roll, pitch, and heave) may be used to supply the necessary information. For this type of configuration, only COM1 and COM2 will be used.

To configure the COM ports for the two sensors:

1. Follow steps 1 through 6 as stated previously under appendix sub-section **B.1**.
2. Under [Serial3] set Create = 0, select File > Save, and close the file (Figure **B-10**).

CAUTION!

Do not touch anything else or the system's configuration files could be seriously compromised and functionality may suffer.



```
File Edit Format View Help
[Serial1]
; Set for GPS or MRU (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4 ;Must be 4
Port=1001
;Baud=9600
Baud=38400

[Serial2]
; Set for TSS (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=1002
Baud=115200 ;115200 for ORE MRU or 38400 bit for the SMC
Disk=1
verifyChecksum=0

[Serial3]
; Spare Port, change create to 1 to use
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=3
;Baud=9600
Baud=9600
;wetportchecksum = 100

[Serial4] ;Dont touch ever or there will be no Sound velocity data
; Com4 set for Valeport MinisVS
; Setup: Using the vendor provided configuration utility, set the following:
; Baud: 19200
Create=1
Parser=9
Port=4
Baud=19200
```

Figure B-10: SonarSerial.ini File

This will deactivate COM3. By deactivating this port, Sonar will report to DISCOVER that only two sensors are to be used on COM1 and COM 2 to parse the necessary sensor information. Therefore, DISCOVER will not throw up any errors if a sensor is not connected to COM3.

3. Reboot the Sonar Firmware by double clicking on the Sonar icon in the main Sonar Remote Desktop Screen (**FIGURE B-6**, designated by green arrow).
4. Now, plug in the devices into COM 1 and COM 2. Which device is connected to which COM port does not matter, as long as their respective ports and baud rates are set in Sonar.
5. Click on **Misc.** at top of the Sonar screen (shown in **FIGURE B-7**), then **Serial Port Information**.
6. Check COM1 and set the correct baud rate for that device by using the drop-down menu shown in blue (**FIGURE B-7**). When the correct baud rate is set, the State should say **OK** and **Errors** should not be increasing (**FIGURE B-7**, circled in green). The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window (**FIGURE B-7**, green arrow).
7. Now Check COM2 and set the correct baud rate for the other device as done before in Step 6.
8. Now click on **File > Show Status** in the sonar window (circled in red, **FIGURE B-11**).
9. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under the **Update** button and then on the drop-down menu named **Config Item** (**FIGURE B-11**, green).
10. Select **Serial** and then click on the **Update** button several times (**FIGURE B-11**, blue arrow).
11. Check to make sure sensors' usage percentages are well below 80% (**FIGURE B-11**, circled in purple). If they are not, increase sensor's baud rate. Change baud rate under **Serial Port Information** as done in steps 6 and 7. Check **Status** again. Otherwise, sonar will report errors.

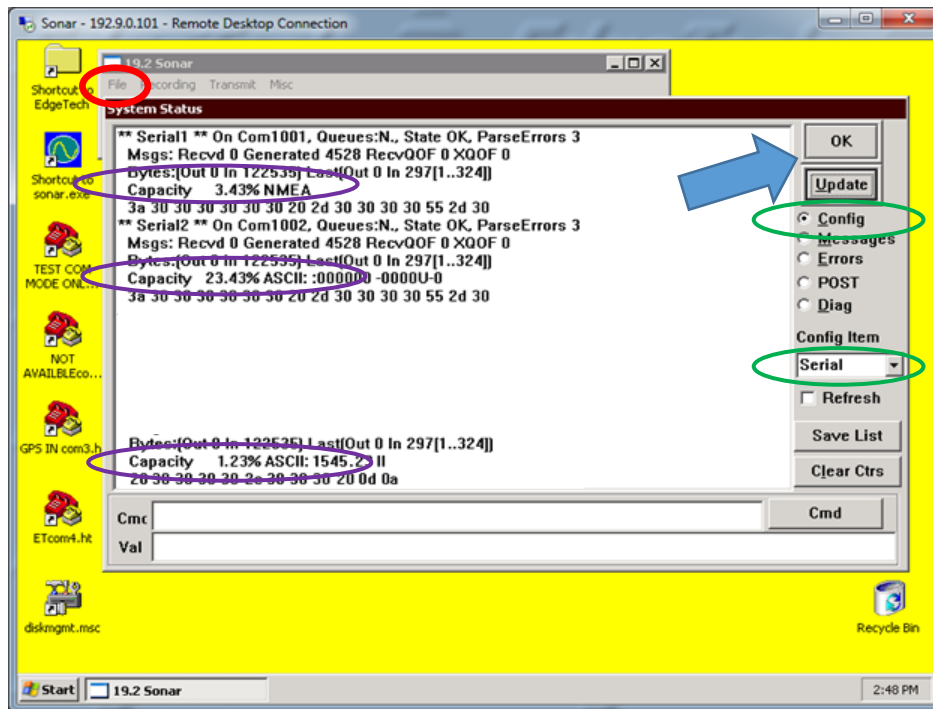


Figure B-11: Checking Sensors' Usages

12. When satisfied with the incoming data, press **OK** in the System Status window (FIGURE B-11).
13. Finally, close the Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection window.

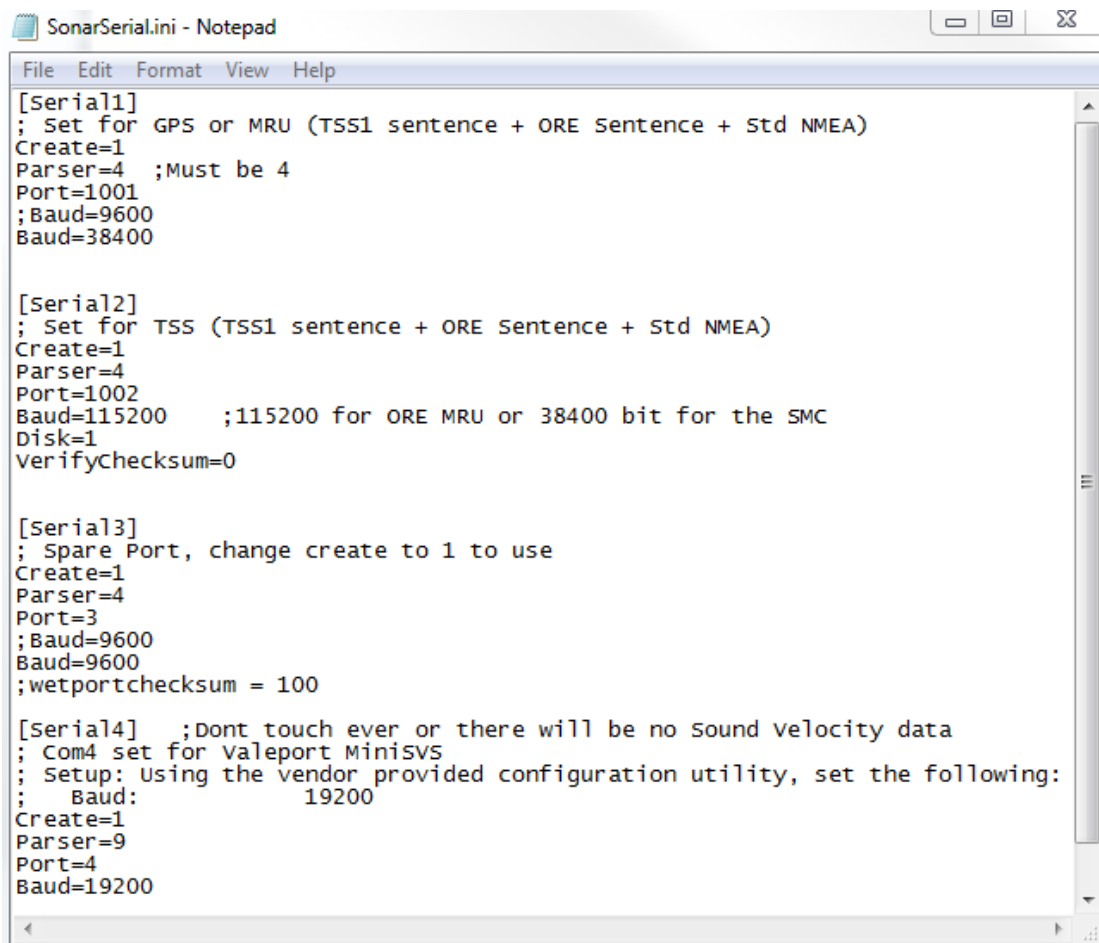
NOTE: *If this window is left open during data acquisition, the user may experience a very slow computer. This is because the remote desktop application uses a large amount of the link capacity to stay open. So it is always a good idea to close the remote desktop application when finished with the configurations.*

B.3 Three Sensors

Three sensors, such as a gyro (heading), a GPS (position, and time source), and a Motion Reference Unit (roll, pitch, and heave) may be used to supply the necessary information. For this type of configuration, all available COM ports will be used.

To configure the COM ports for the three sensors, the following steps should be carried out.

1. Follow steps (1.) through (6.) as stated previously under appendix sub-section **B.1**.
2. Make sure Create=1 under each [Serial#]. (**FIGURE B-12**)



```

[Serial1]
; Set for GPS or MRU (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4 ;Must be 4
Port=1001
;Baud=9600
Baud=38400

[Serial2]
; Set for TSS (TSS1 sentence + ORE Sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=1002
Baud=115200 ;115200 for ORE MRU or 38400 bit for the SMC
Disk=1
VerifyChecksum=0

[Serial3]
; Spare Port, change create to 1 to use
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=3
;Baud=9600
Baud=9600
;wetportchecksum = 100

[Serial4] ;Dont touch ever or there will be no sound velocity data
; Com4 set for Valeport MinisVS
; Setup: Using the vendor provided configuration utility, set the following:
;   Baud:           19200
Create=1
Parser=9
Port=4
Baud=19200

```

Figure B-12: All Sensors Set

3. Then select File > Save, and close the file.

CAUTION!

Do not touch anything else or the system's configuration files could be seriously compromised and functionality may suffer.

4. Close the SonarSerial.ini file and reboot the Sonar Firmware by double clicking on the Sonar icon in the main Sonar Remote Desktop Screen (**FIGURE B-6**, designated by the green arrow).
5. Now, plug in the devices into COM 1, COM 2, and COM 3. The Gyro should be connected to COM1, the MRU COM2, and the GPS to COM3. The devices connected to COM1 or COM2 may be interchanged but the GPS must be connected to COM3.
6. Click on the **Misc.** at top of Sonar screen (shown in **FIGURE B-7**), then **Serial Port Information**.
7. Check COM1 and set the correct baud rate for that device by using the drop-down menu shown in blue (**FIGURE B-7**). When the correct baud rate is set, the **State** should say **OK** and **Errors** should not be increasing (**FIGURE B-7**, circled in green). The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window (**FIGURE B-7**, green arrow).
8. Now check COM2 and set the correct baud rate for the other device as done before in Step 6.
9. Also, remember to check COM3 as before and set the correct baud rate for GPS.
10. Now click on **File > Show Status** in the sonar window (**FIGURE B-8**, circled in red).
11. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under the **Update** button, and then on the drop-down menu named **Config Item** (**FIGURE B-8**, green).
12. Select Serial and then click on the Update button several times (**FIGURE B-13**, blue arrow).
13. Check to make sure sensors' usage percentages are well below 80% (**FIGURE B-13**, circled in purple). If they are not, increase sensor's baud rate. Change baud rate under Serial Port Information as done in steps 6 and 7. Check Status again, otherwise sonar will report errors.
14. When satisfied with the incoming data, press **OK** in the System Status window (**FIGURE B-13**).
15. Finally, close the Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection window.

NOTE: If this window is left open during data acquisition, the user may experience a very slow computer. This is because the remote desktop application uses a large amount of the link capacity to stay open. So it is always a good idea to close the remote desktop application when finished with the configurations.

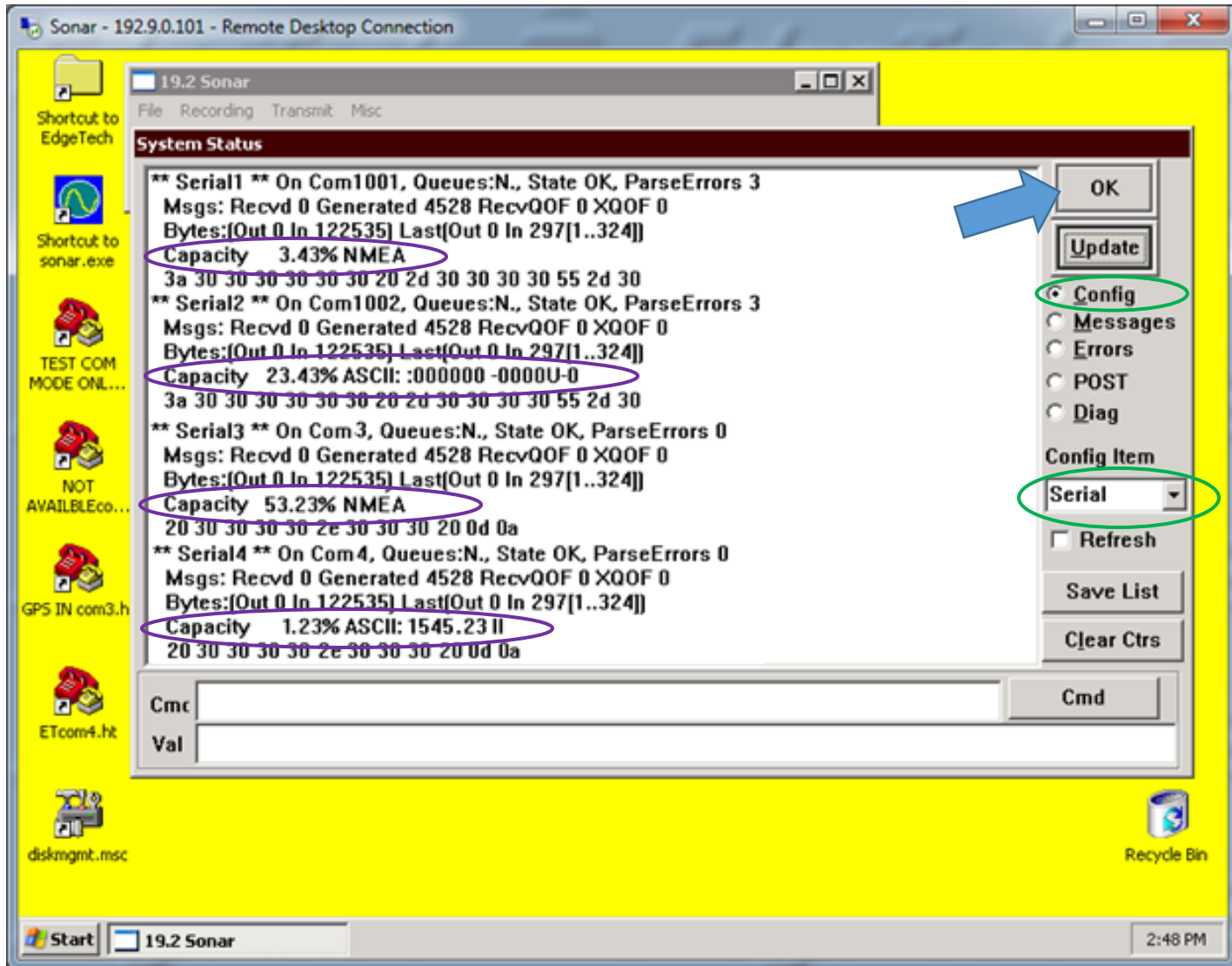
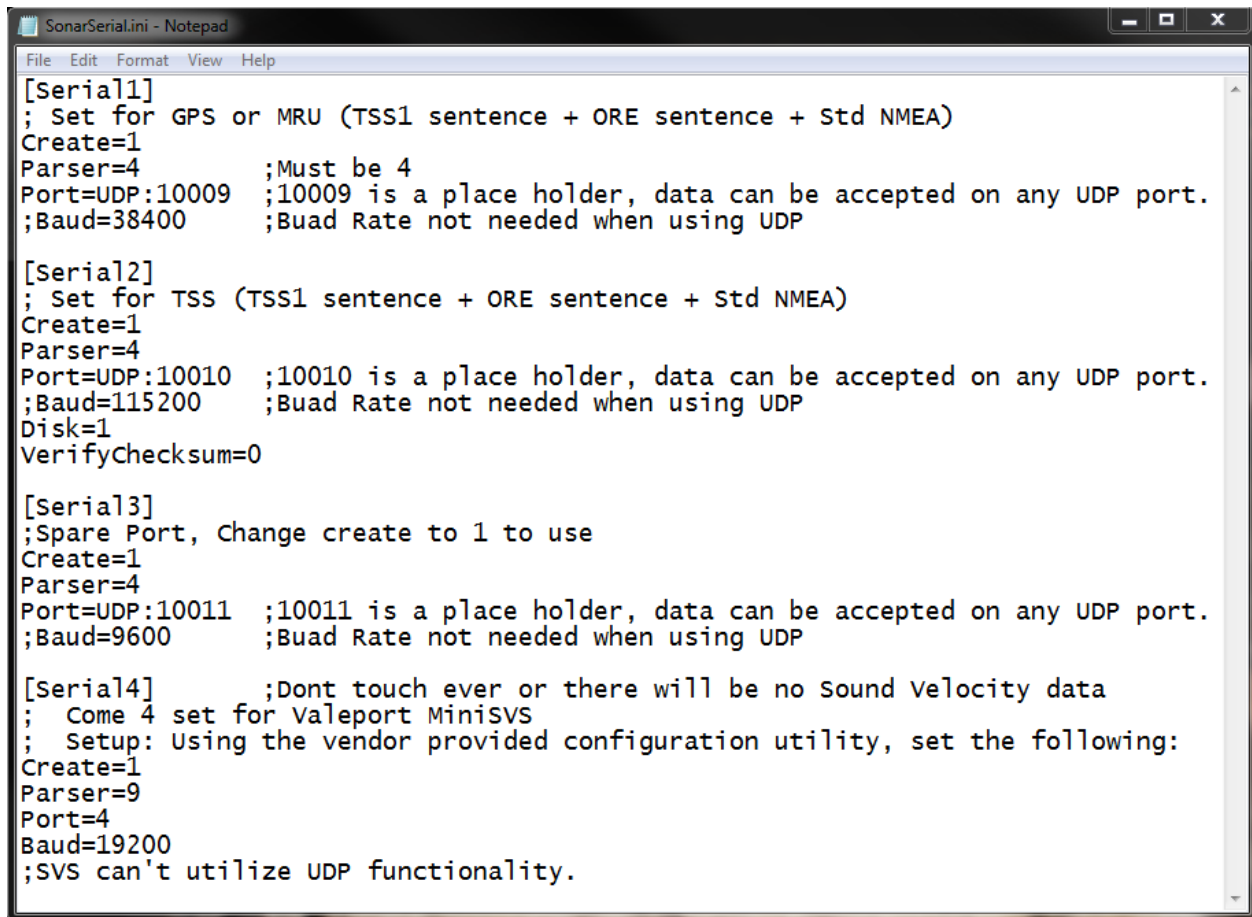


Figure B-13: Checking all COM Ports

B.4 UDP Connections

The 6205 is compatible with data sent over the Ethernet connection via UDP. The SonarSerial.ini is utilized to configure the system to accept these messages. Note that 1PPS functionality must be utilized when operating with attitude / NAV being transferred with UDP messages. Instructions on configuring the system for 1PPS functionality can be found in Section 5.3 of this document.

All messages detailed in Section 3.1 can also be sent to the 6205 over the Ethernet connection via UDP. The below example shows the same configuration detailed in Figure B-12 but with UDP functionality.



```
[Serial1]
; Set for GPS or MRU (TSS1 sentence + ORE sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4 ;Must be 4
Port=UDP:10009 ;10009 is a place holder, data can be accepted on any UDP port.
;Baud=38400 ;Buad Rate not needed when using UDP

[Serial2]
; Set for TSS (TSS1 sentence + ORE sentence + Std NMEA)
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=UDP:10010 ;10010 is a place holder, data can be accepted on any UDP port.
;Baud=115200 ;Buad Rate not needed when using UDP
Disk=1
VerifyChecksum=0

[Serial3]
;Spare Port, Change create to 1 to use
Create=1
Parser=4
Port=UDP:10011 ;10011 is a place holder, data can be accepted on any UDP port.
;Baud=9600 ;Buad Rate not needed when using UDP

[Serial4]
; Dont touch ever or there will be no Sound velocity data
; Come 4 set for Valeport MiniSVS
; Setup: Using the vendor provided configuration utility, set the following:
Create=1
Parser=9
Port=4
Baud=19200
;SVS can't utilize UDP functionality.
```

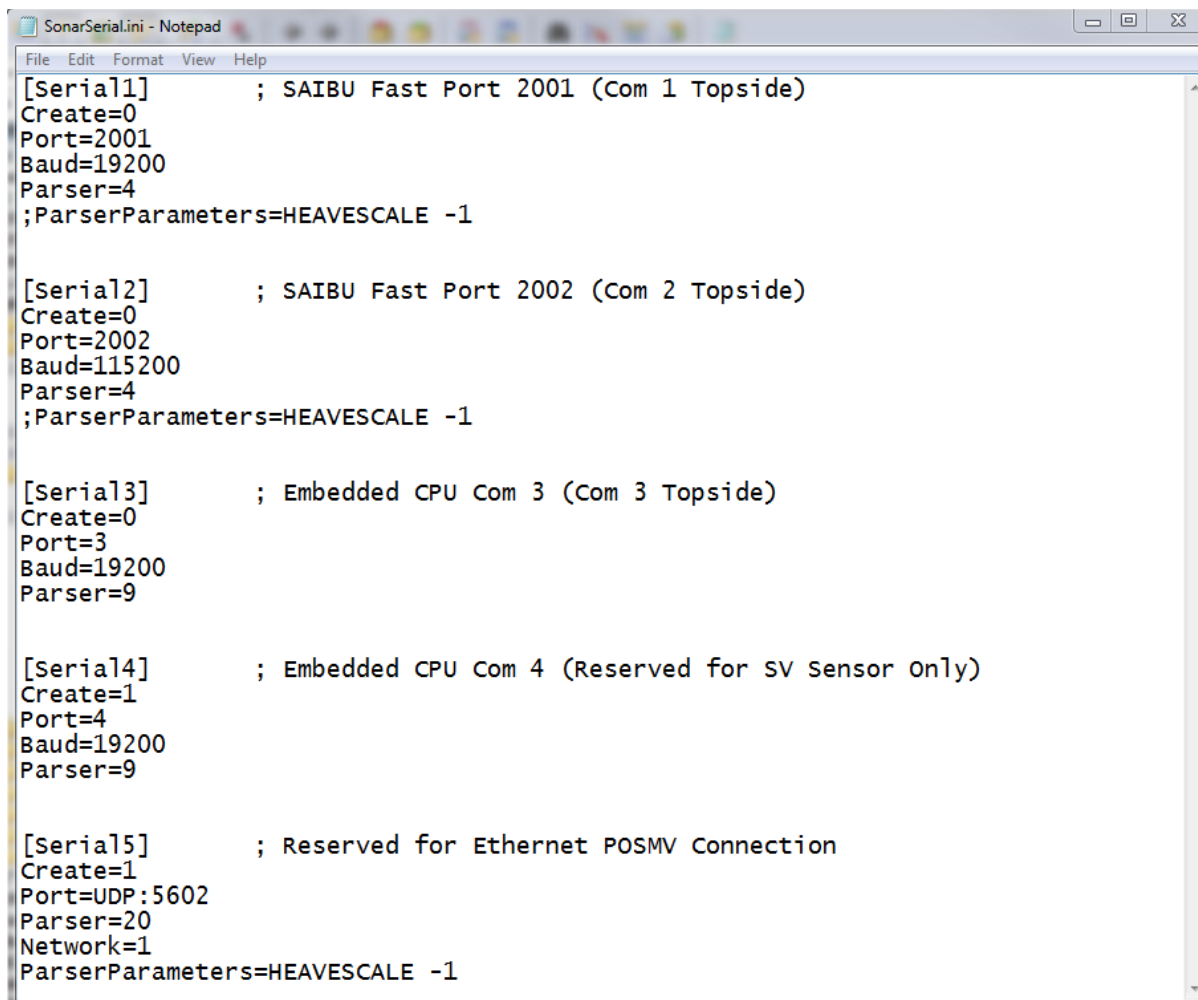
Figure B-14: UDP Configuration Example

B.5 POSMV Configuration

The 6205 is compatible with the POSMV system from Applinix. Follow the below steps to configure the 6205 and the POSMV for communication over the Ethernet interface via UDP.

To configure the COM ports for the UDP messages from the POSMV:

1. Follow steps 1 through 5 as stated previously under appendix sub-section B.1
2. Under [Serial1], [Serial2], and [Serial3] set Create = 0.
3. Under [Serial5], set Create = 1 and remove the semicolon from the beginning of each line in the [Serial5] section.
4. Ensure the command Parserparameters=HEAVESCALE -1.0 is present in the [Serial5] section. If it is not present, add it.



```
SonarSerial.ini - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
[Serial1] ; SAIBU Fast Port 2001 (Com 1 Topside)
Create=0
Port=2001
Baud=19200
Parser=4
;ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1

[Serial2] ; SAIBU Fast Port 2002 (Com 2 Topside)
Create=0
Port=2002
Baud=115200
Parser=4
;ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1

[Serial3] ; Embedded CPU Com 3 (Com 3 Topside)
Create=0
Port=3
Baud=19200
Parser=9

[Serial4] ; Embedded CPU Com 4 (Reserved for SV Sensor Only)
Create=1
Port=4
Baud=19200
Parser=9

[Serial5] ; Reserved for Ethernet POSMV Connection
Create=1
Port=UDP:5602
Parser=20
Network=1
ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1
```

Figure B-15: POSMV UDP Configuration

CAUTION!

Do not alter the file in any way other than what has been specified.

This will deactivate COM ports 1, 2, and 3 while activating COM 5 which has been pre-configured for POSMV functionality. Therefore, Discover will not throw up any errors if a sensor is not connected to COM1, COM2, or COM3.

To configure the time synchronization sources:

1. Locate and open the SonarConfig.ini file. This file is located in the same directory as the SonarSerial.ini file which was modified above.
2. This file points the software to the correct configuration file based off the frequency set of the hardware in use. Locate the [Main] section and take note of the .ini file being called out. As an example: the below file specifies the system is a 520kHz / 1600kHz Side Scan with 520kHz Bathymetry and as such utilizes the sonar_520B_1610.ini.

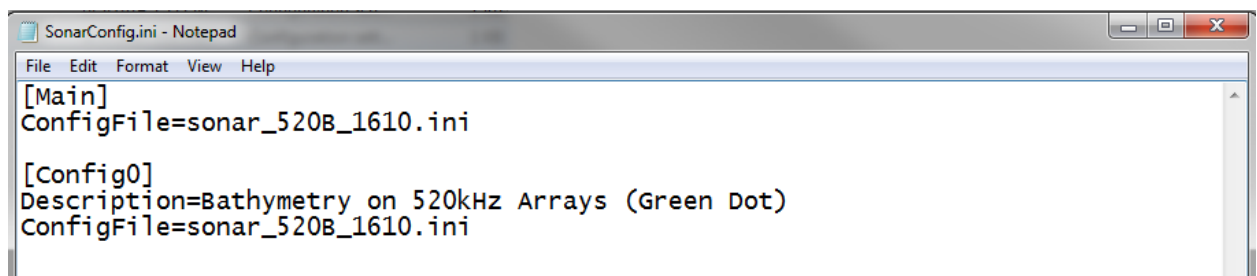


Figure B-16: SonarConfig.ini Example.

3. Close the SonarConfig.ini without making any changes to the text.
4. Open the file name specified in the SonarConfig.ini, it can be found in the same directory.
5. In the [Main] section of this file, comment out the current TimeSyncSource command line (default is TimeSyncSource=ZDA) by adding a ";" in front of the keyword.
6. Under commented out TimeSyncSource line add the following: TimeSyncSource=POSMV_Binary. Ensure there is no semicolon in front of this iteration of the keyword.

```

;|TimeSyncSource=ZDA
|TimeSyncSource=POSMV_BINARY

```

Figure B-17: TimeSyncSource Keyword Adjustments

7. In the [DSP0] section of this file, ensure the TimeSyncMask keyword is set to the following:
TimeSyncMask=4. Ensure there is no semicolon in front of the keyword.
8. Select File > Save and close the text document.

CAUTION!

Do not alter the file in any way other than what has been specified.

This sets the software to utilize the time and date reference being received from the POSMV data string. It also activates the 1PPS port on the topside module. A 1PPS sync must be utilized when data is being received via UDP due to the inherent added latency.

When the above steps have been completed Sonar.exe must be re-launched to activate the configuration changes. This can be completed via the “x” in the top right-hand corner of the Sonar.exe GUI and the Sonar.exe shortcut on the desktop of the embedded CPU.

Utilizing the POSVIEW software set the ethernet real-time to groups 3,7,10, and 102. The output rate of the POSMV module should be set to 50Hz. The POSMV must also be set to Falling (Negative) Edge or **Active Low** for the 1PPS as the 6205 defaults to sync on the falling edge

Once the configuration of both devices is completed the Sonar Serial Port Viewer can be utilized to confirm data is being accepted correctly. To access this, select the Misc. tab in the Sonar.exe GUI (as shown in Figure B-7), then **Serial Port Information**. Select Com5 in the first dropdown, ensure data is being received and the State is being reported as “OK”.

Discover Bathymetry can also be utilized to check for correct configuration of the two units. The diagnostic window as shown in Figure B-5 should not report any errors. If errors are seen review all changes made in the above section. If errors persist contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#).