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The company has responded to the scientific, Naval, and offshore communities' needs 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 6205s is a fully integrated swath bathymetry and dual-frequency side-scan sonar system that uses multiple receive elements and one discrete transmit element to produce real-time high resolution, side-scan imagery and three-dimensional maps of the seafloor. The 6205s overcomes the limitations of multi-beam echo sounders (MBES) and interferometric systems in shallow water using EdgeTech's unique Multi-Phase Echo Sounder (MPES) Technology. This hybrid approach combines both beamforming and phase discrimination techniques to determine each sounding along the seafloor. With the integration of EdgeTech's Full Spectrum® CHIRP technology, the 6205s exceeds IHO SP-44, NOAA, and USACE specifications for feature detection and bathymetric point data uncertainty.

EdgeTech's MPES technology enables the 6205s to produce a wider and cleaner swath (over 200°) than current technologies, resulting in superior coverage enabling faster and safer survey completion. The 6205s concurrently rejects multipath effects, reverberation, and acoustic noise commonly encountered in shallow water environments.

The 6205s provides dual frequency side scan sonar, operating at 230/550 kHz, 550/850kHz, or 550/1600 kHz, while the side scan imagery is collected simultaneously on both frequencies. The bathymetry operates at either 230kHz or 550kHz.

Additionally, EdgeTech's latest 2205 Electronics and Modular Arrays are utilized in the 6205s, resulting in an extremely lightweight design required for shallow water applications and vessels of opportunity. The 2205 electronics and arrays are mounted onto a streamlined body that is deployed over-the-bow or side of a survey vessel. Sonar data is transferred from the transceiver to the processing unit onboard via an Ethernet network interface.

The standard configuration for the 6205s includes an integrated sound velocity sensor. It provides interfaces to most third-party acquisition and processing software packages, standard DGPS/RTK GNSS systems, heading, motion, sound velocity profilers, and INS. The 6205s system and its available integrations offer a powerful and versatile acquisition system suitable for many different survey applications.

The 6205s key features include:

- Next-generation MPES technology
- Unrivalled swath coverage in shallow water, when compared to other single head systems
- Swath sectors of up to 200°
- Co-registered dual-frequency side scan and single-frequency bathymetry
- Superior multipath rejection
- IHO SP-44 Special Order compliant
- Equidistant and equiangular output options
- Comes with EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric Sonar Control Software
- Motion tolerant side scan
- Universal MRU Mounting Plate
- Field swappable transducers (bathymetric electronics can swap between 230kHz or 520kHz)

1.1 Applications

The 6205s next-generation Swath Bathymetry & Side Scan Sonar has many potential applications, a few of which include:

- Shallow Water Hydrographic Surveys
- Benthic Habitat Mapping
- Nautical Charting
- Military Rapid Environmental Assessments (REA)
- Route Surveys
- Dredging Operations
- Marine Debris Search
- Port & Harbor Security

1.2 Options

The 6205s is available in several standard frequency configurations:

- 230 / 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 230 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 230 / 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 550 / 850 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 550 / 1600 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data

The modular design of the 6205s allows for multi-frequency bathymetry options in a single sonar head. The field exchangeable array capability allows both shallow and deep-water operations but is only available with 230 / 550 kHz Side Scan systems.

The different frequency arrays are color-coded to help identify them. Refer to **FIGURE 3-7** in this manual for the location of the coding and the color-coding key.

1.3 Main System Components

The following components come standard with the 6205s System:

- **6205s SWATH BATHYMETRY AND SIDE SCAN SONAR HEAD**
- **DECK CABLE** 20m (65ft)
- Pigtail 1.02m (40in)
- **SOUND VELOCITY SENSOR (SVS)** [Mounted to Connector Endcap]
- Large Pelican Hardigg™ Shipping Case
- **6205s-R RACK MOUNT INTERFACE BOX**
- Discover Bathymetric Acquisition Software
- 6205s Tool Kit

1.4 Discover Software

EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric Software Acquisition package provides a way to control, store, and display the Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar data. For more information, refer to the [Discover Bathymetric Users Software Manual \(0014878\)](#).

1.4.1 Third-Party Software

EdgeTech has approved a small number of third-party topside software applications to acquire and process 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.

For questions on Third-Party Interfacing with Discover Bathymetry, refer to **THIRD PARTY SOFTWARE**. Contact **EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE** for updates.

1.5 Optional Equipment

- **ARRAYS FOR FIELD EXCHANGEABLE FREQUENCY OPERATIONS**
- **6205s-P PORTABLE TOPSIDE WITH LAPTOP**
- Adaptor Flange
- Spares Kit

1.5.1 Adaptor Flange

An adaptor flange is available if the standard 6205s hole pattern will not mate to a customer's static pole-mount. The Adaptor Flange is attached to the 6205S **MOUNTING PLATE**, and a customer's pole mount by several bolt hole options. Refer to **FIGURE 2-5** and **FIGURE 2-6** for information on bolt hole patterns.



Figure 1-1: The 6205s and the Optional Adaptor Flange

SECTION 2: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The complete 6205s system consists of a swath bathymetry and side scan sonar head, and a topside interface box. This section describes the 6205s System's main components and lists its specifications.

2.1 The 6205s Sonar Head

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

- 230 / 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 230 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 230 / 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 550 / 850 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data
- 550 / 1600 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan with 550 kHz Bathymetry Data

The frequency sets listed above were chosen to provide optimum results for any given water depth up to 200m (660ft) below the transducer. The 6205s is for water depths between 5m – 50m (15ft – 164ft). Optimal frequency depends on survey requirements.

EdgeTech has designed the 230 kHz/550 kHz model 6205s Sonar Head with Field Exchangeable Arrays to mitigate frequency tradeoffs. The bathymetry frequency can be switched from the low-frequency channel to the high-frequency channel or vice versa.

The 6205s Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Head comes standard with a sonar processor, port and starboard sonar arrays, a sound velocity sensor (SVS), and housing. These components are demonstrated in [FIGURE 2-1](#).

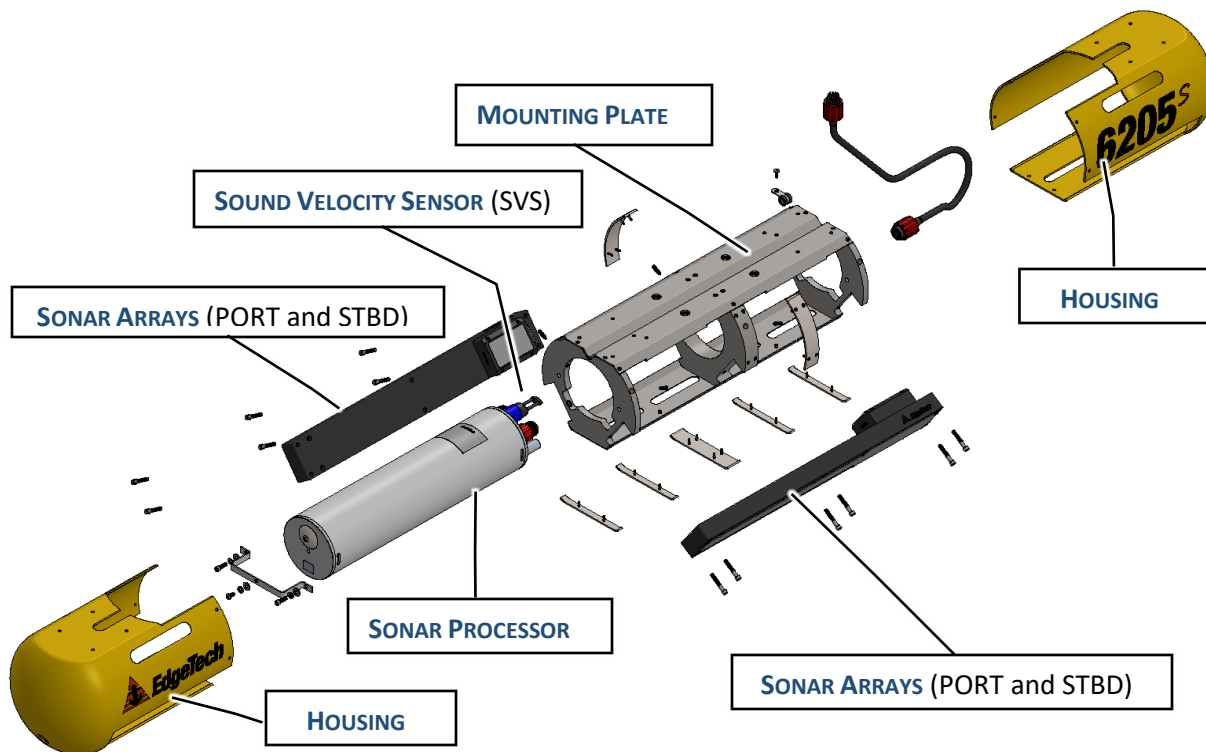


Figure 2-1: 6205s Sonar Head Components

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

2.1.1 Mounting Plate

The 6205s 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 shown in **FIGURE 2-3**.

EdgeTech advises mounting the 6205s Sonar Head to the bow of a survey vessel. By placing the system at the bow, the sonar should be far enough away from most interference, such as hull echoes, propeller noise, and wake.



Figure 2-2: The Mounting Plate

Refer to **FIGURE 2-5** and **FIGURE 2-6** for a comparison of bolt patterns.

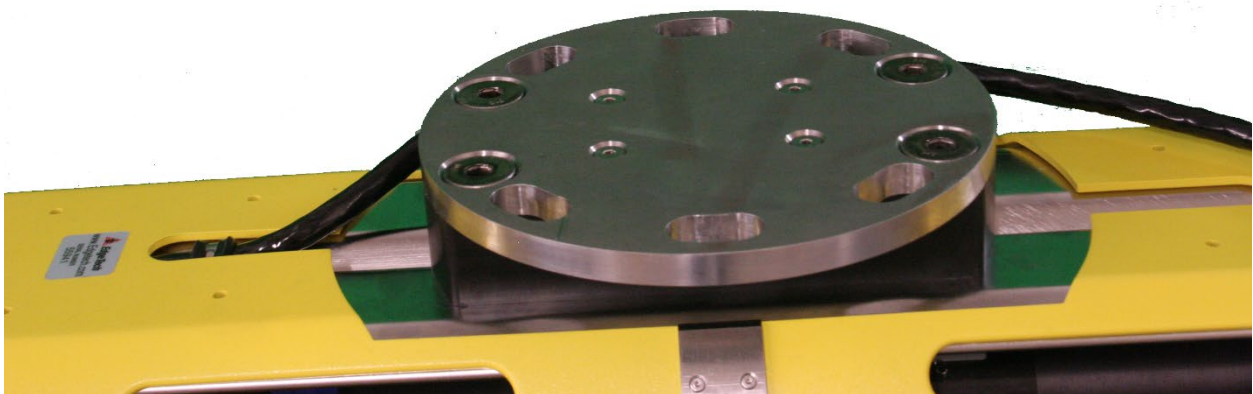


Figure 2-3: The Optional Adaptor Flange Installed onto the Mounting Plate

2.1.2 Housing

The 6205s shells are thermoformed polycarbonate (PC). The internal frame is made of electropolished 316 stainless-steel and acetal homopolymer (Delrin). The housing supplies a streamlined body for efficient underwater maneuvers rated up to 12 knots while protecting the SVS, arrays, and deck cable connections.

NOTE: Although the 6205s 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.

2.1.3 Sonar Processor

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

2.1.4 Sound Velocity Sensor

The 6205s Sonar Head has a flooded section used to house an AML Sound Velocity Sensor (SVS), which provides 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 2-4](#).

EdgeTech recommends collecting a sound velocity profile, especially in the area where you collect test data. The water being operated in likely 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.

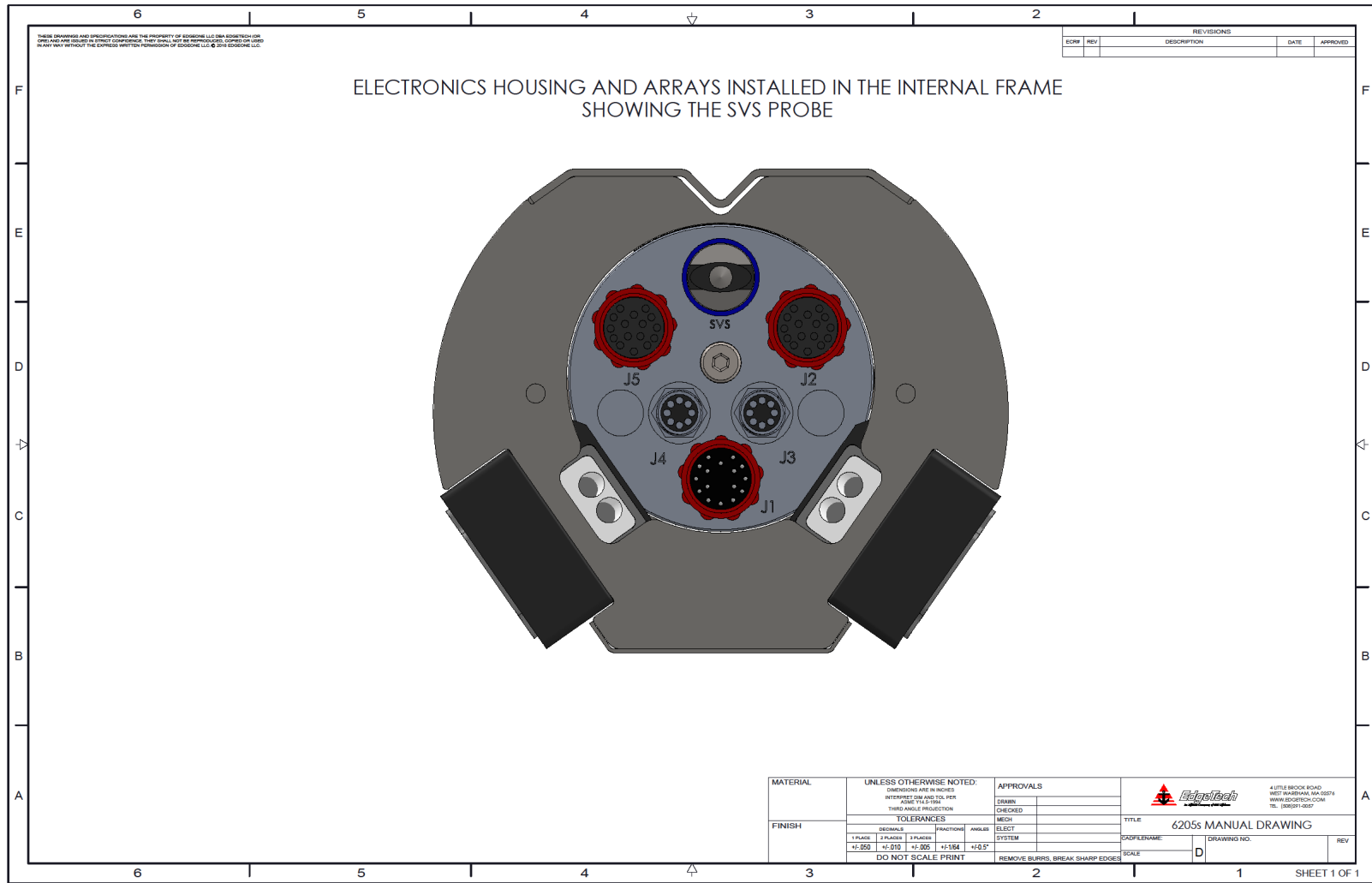


Figure 2-4: 6205s Electronics Housing and Arrays Installed

2.1.5 Sonar Arrays

The 6205s provides single frequency bathymetry and simultaneous dual-frequency side-scan sonar.

The side-scan sonar operates at 230/550 kHz, 540/850, or 550/1600 kHz and collects simultaneously on both frequency channels. Bathymetry is obtained on either the 230 kHz or the 550 kHz. The 6205s utilizes two arrays (port and starboard) to map the seafloor, much like a dual-head multi-beam system. Each 6205s array is constructed using ten independent longitudinal PZT elements and two multi-segment PZT strings. The two multi-element strings (one per side scan frequency) are used for the transmit function and as a full resolution side-scan receiver. The remaining ten elements make an approximately half-wavelength spaced array of sensors for its bathymetry receiver.

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 6205s 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 are:

- X is positive to starboard
- Y is positive forward
- Z is positive down

Remember that the individual acoustic centers for both port and starboard converge on the centerline (or $X = 0$).

NOTE: The acoustic center along the y-axis is different for the 230kHz model than the 550kHz model.

For a larger representation of [FIGURE 2-5](#) and [FIGURE 2-6](#)

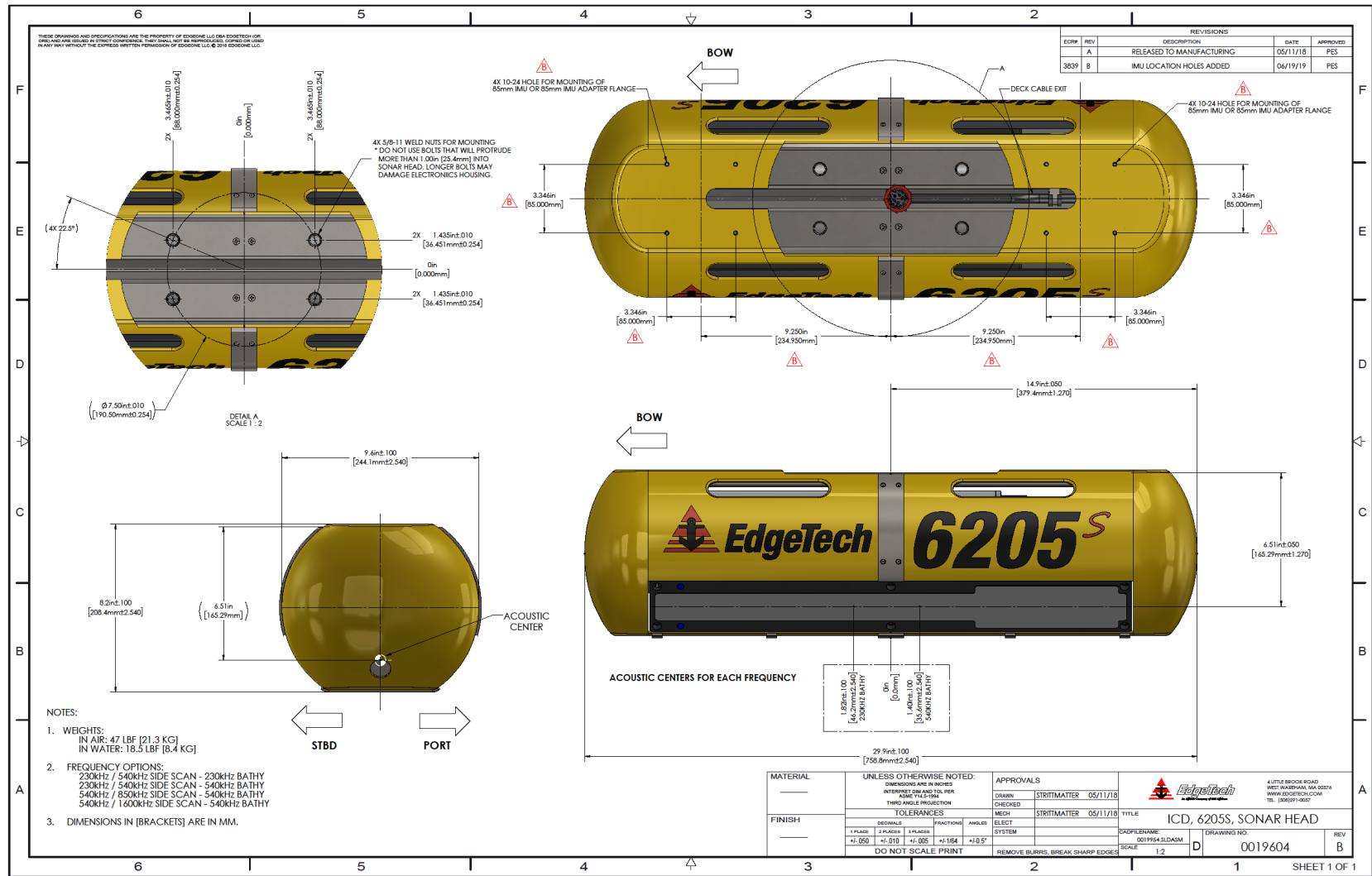


Figure 2-5: Acoustic Center Location in X, Y, and Z and Bolt Pattern of Standard 6205s – 0019604

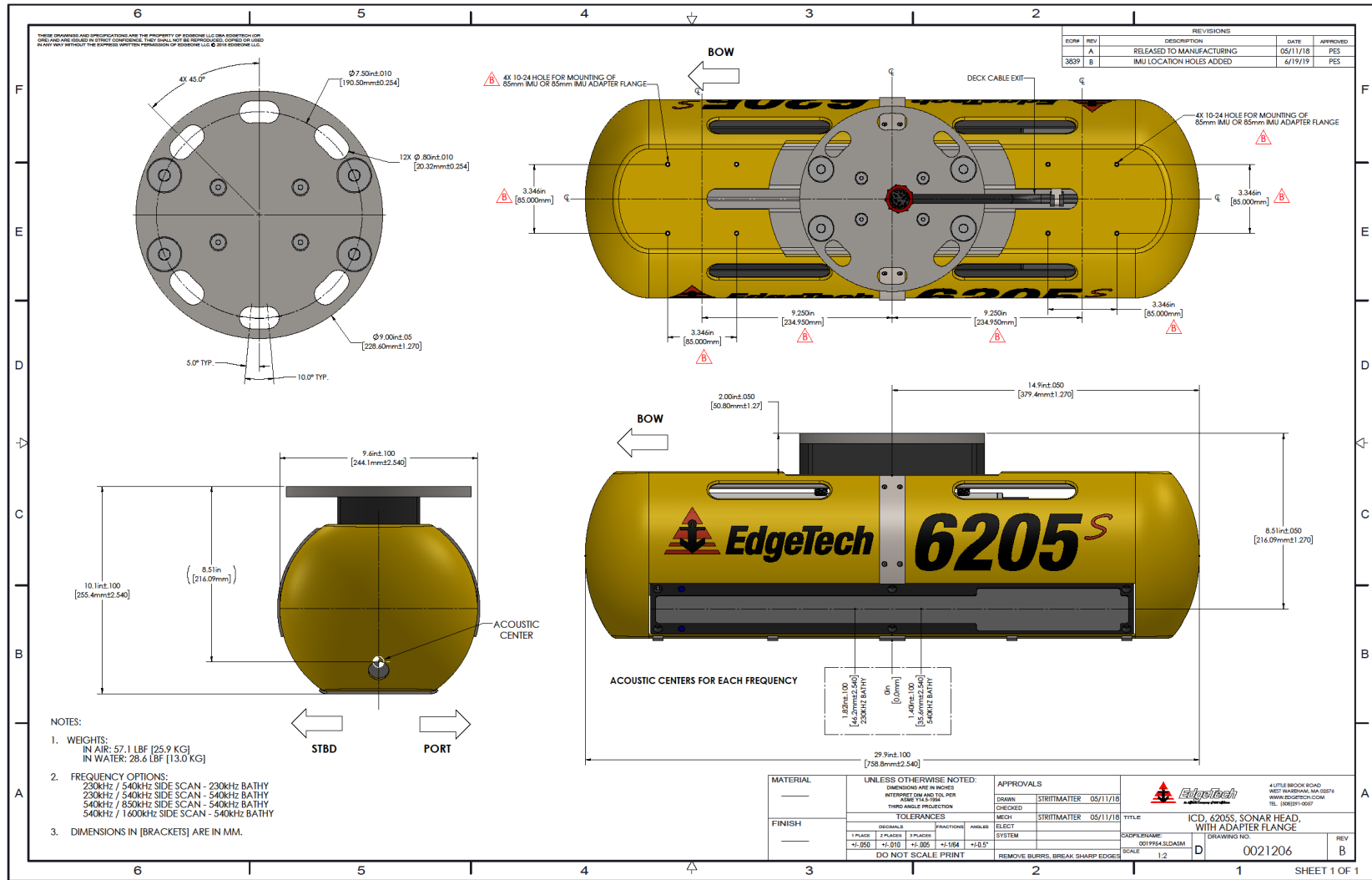


Figure 2-6: Acoustic Center Location in X, Y, and Z Dimensions and Bolt Pattern with Adaptor Flange – 0021206

SECTION 3: SPECIFICATIONS

This section details the 6205s system specifications.

3.1 Physical Specifications

PHYSICAL	
Size	<u>Without Adapter Flange:</u> 75.9 L x 24.4 W x 20.8 H cm (29.8 L x 9.6 W x 8.2 H in) <u>With Adapter Flange:</u> 75.9 L x 24.4 W x 25.5 H cm (30 L x 9.6 W x 10.1 H in)
Weight	Without Adapter Flange:21.3 kg (47 lbs) With Adapter Flange:25.9 kg (57.1 lbs)
Construction	Polycarbonate / 316 Stainless Steel Frame
Color	Blue Angels Yellow
Sealing	O-Ring Seal with Purge Valve

Table 3-1: Physical Specifications

3.2 Acoustic Specifications

SONAR HEAD MODEL	230/550 KHZ SS – 230/550 BATHY	550/1600 SS - 550 KHZ BATHY
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) = 15Hz 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
BATHYMETRY		

Sonar Frequency	230 kHz	550 kHz		
Beamwidths (Across Track x Along Track) Across track resolution expressed as a beamwidth at nadir	1° x 0.7°	1° x 0.5°		
Max Sounding Depth Dependent on environmental conditions	100 m	50 m		
Max Swath Width Assumes a flat seafloor and dependent on environmental conditions	400 m	200 m		
Max Swath Sector	200°			
Max Number of Soundings	800			
Sounding Patterns	Equidistant and Equiangular			
SIDE SCAN SONAR IMAGERY				
Frequency	230 kHz	550 kHz	850 kHz	1600 kHz
Horizontal Beamwidth (2-way)	0.54°	0.36°	0.29°	0.20°
Range Resolution	30 mm	10 mm	9 mm	6 mm
Max Range Dependent on environmental conditions (absorption, reverberation, sea noise)	250 m	150 m	75 m	35 m
SYSTEM				
Pulse Modulation	CW & FM CHIRP			
Construction	Polycarbonate / 316 Stainless Steel Frame			
Dimensions	75.9 L x 24.4 W x 20.8 H cm (29.8 L x 9.6 W x 8.2 H in)			
Deck Cable Length	20m (Standard)			
Depth Rating	50 m			
Weight (In Air)	19.9 kg (44 lbs)			
Input Voltage	48-60 VDC			
Power (Typical /Max)	55W / 70W			
Data Products	Bathymetry, Backscatter, and Side Scan Imagery, and Real-Time Uncertainties			

Table 3-2: Acoustic Specifications

3.3 Power Requirements

POWER REQUIREMENTS		
DC Input Range	36-60 VDC (48 VDC Nominal)	36-60 VDC (48 VDC Nominal)

Table 3-3: Power Requirements

3.4 Environmental Specifications

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 3-4: Environmental Specifications

3.5 Topside Specifications

Detailed specifications for 6205s Topside Interfaces and Sonar Heads are provided in

INTERFACE MODEL	6205S – RACK MOUNT	6205S - PORTABLE
PHYSICALS		
Size	L: 48.3cm x W: 52.1cm x H: 8.9cm (L: 19 x W: 20.5 x H: 3.5)	L: 49.5cm x W: 38.1cm x H: 19.1cm (L: 19.5” x W: 15” x H: 7.5”)
Weight	5.4 kg (12 lbs)	13.6 kg (30 lbs)
Construction	Aluminum	Polyethylene/Polyurethane
Interfaces	(1) 1 PPS via BNC (1) Trigger In via BNC (4) 100 BaseT Ethernet Ports (3) Serial RS-232 Ports	(1) 1 PPS via BNC (1) Trigger In via BNC (3) 100 BaseT Ethernet Ports (3) 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 3-5: 6205s Topside Interface Specifications

3.6 The 6205s Topside Sonar Interface Box

The 6205s Topside Sonar Interface Box 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 topside sonar interface box delivers power to the system and transmits/receives data via the provided 20m (65ft) Deck Cable and a SubConn 16 pin wet mate connector. The topside supplies ethernet ports to communicate with the topside computer and provide navigation and data from connected sensors. The topside also has (3) RS232 serial ports to intake navigation, heading, and altitude data from the supporting sensors.

The 6205s Topside Sonar Interface Box serial ports are configured to meet specific requirements. 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; however, data cannot be transmitted from the 6205s 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 does not generate artifacts in the side-scan and bathymetry data sets.

The 6205s can receive navigation and altitude data from supporting sensors via the ethernet connection utilizing UDP. Refer to [SECTION 8.3.4 UDP CONNECTIONS](#) in this manual for more information on configuring 6205s for UDP data transfer.

This Topside Sonar Interface Box comes in two forms:

1. **6205s-R RACK MOUNT TOPSIDE INTERFACE** for use with a customer-supplied computer.
2. **6205s-P PORTABLE TOPSIDE INTERFACE** for use with a customer-supplied computer or purchased EdgeTech-supplied fully configured laptop.

Both the 6205s-Portable and 6205s-Rackmount come with a USB that contains system manuals and Discover Bathymetry. Optional laptops come preloaded with EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric Acquisition Software and all Manuals. The newest manuals can be downloaded from the EdgeTech product pages and [SUPPORT CENTER RESOURCE WEBPAGE](#). EdgeTech also maintains an FTP site for customers. Contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) for FTP credentials.

3.6.1 6205s-R Rack Mount Topside Interface

The 6205s-R Rack Mount Topside Sonar Interface Box was designed to slide into a 19-in Rack Mount Optima Case. It provides three input serial ports, three 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 serial and Ethernet ports act as a dry connection to the sonar head for all ancillary information (i.e., position, attitude, time, etc.) and data from the sonar head to the topside computer. These interfaces are shown in **FIGURE 3-1**.



Figure 3-1: Rack Mount Topside

NOTE: The customer must provide a computer to run the Discover software application for the rack mount topside sonar interface box option. Minimum computer requirements are found in sub-section **3.6.3** of this manual.

If the 6205s-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.

3.6.2 6205s-P Portable Topside Interface

The 6205s-P Portable Topside Interface is a splash-proof design of the 6205s-R Rack Mount Interface box. It offers all the same connections to the 6205s Sonar Head for the supporting sensors (i.e., GPS, MRU, etc.) through a series of break out cables. The portable topside has an option for a laptop. The laptop is a high-performance Getac, running Windows 10 operating system.

CAUTION!

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



Figure 3-2: 6205s-P Portable Topside



Figure 3-3: 6205s-P Portable Topside Interface Box, Side View

3.6.3 Topside Computer Requirements 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 10 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

The 6205s-Portable has an optional Ruggedized GETAC Laptop, preloaded with EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric Software and all supporting software. The laptop has the specifications below:

- Windows 10 Professional Operating System
- Intel® Core™ i7-8650U vPro 1.9GHz processor with Turbo Boost Technology
- 8 GB of Memory (RAM)
- 1TB Hard Drive
- Intel UHD Graphics 620
- NVIDIA Quadro M2000M (4GB GDDR5)
- 3 USB 3.0 (9-pin)
- 1 USB 2.0 (4-pin)
- 1 Ethernet RJ45 Port
- 1 Mini Display Port1 HDMI Port

CAUTION! Installing additional software outside the provided EdgeTech and third-party bathymetric software is NOT recommended. 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. A list of approved third-party packages is provided in [THIRD-PARTY SOFTWARE](#).

3.7 Deck Cable

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

CAUTION! DO NOT use Deck Cables for towing.

3.8 Mechanical Drawings

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

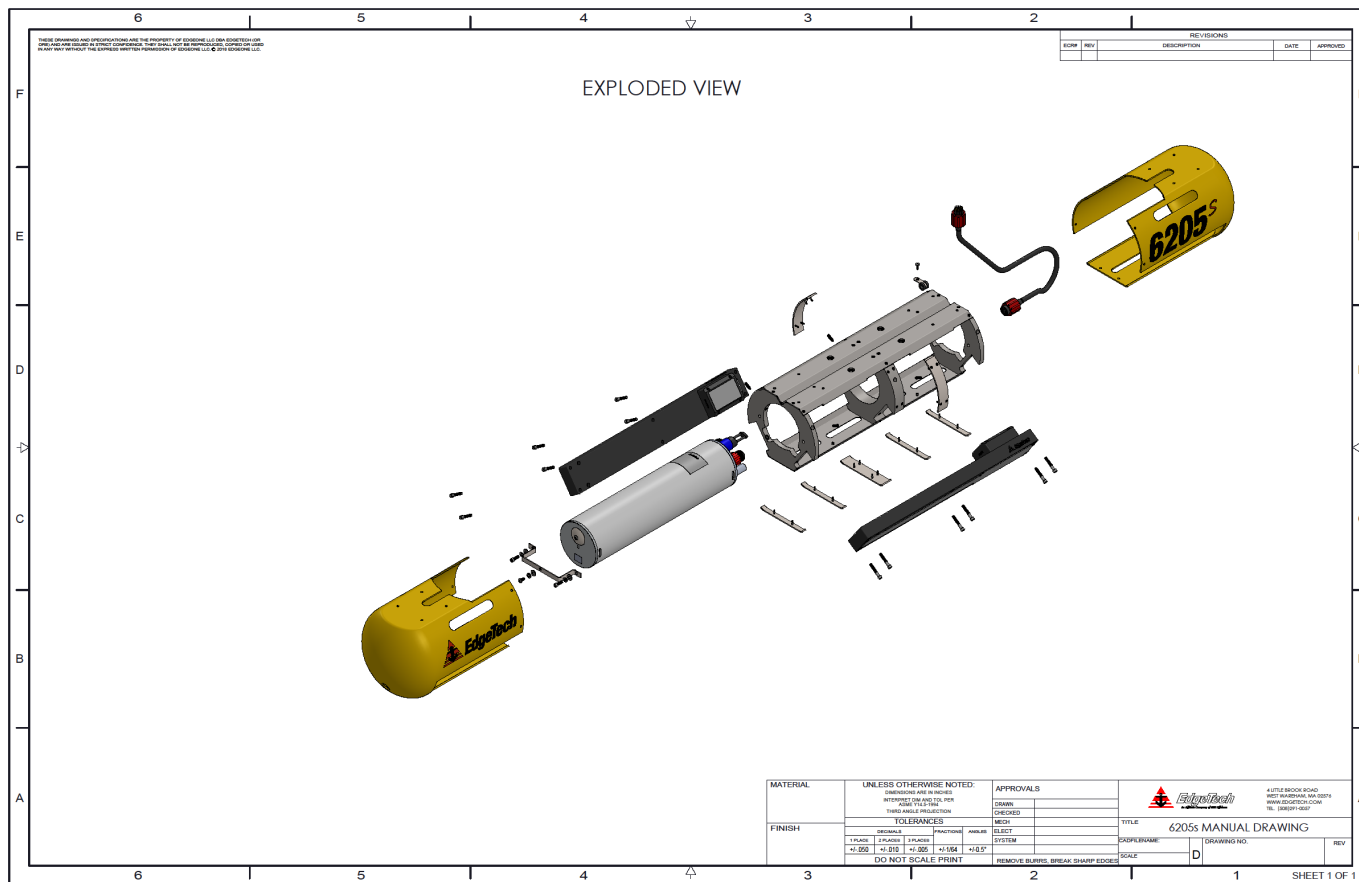


Figure 3-4: 6205s Exploded View

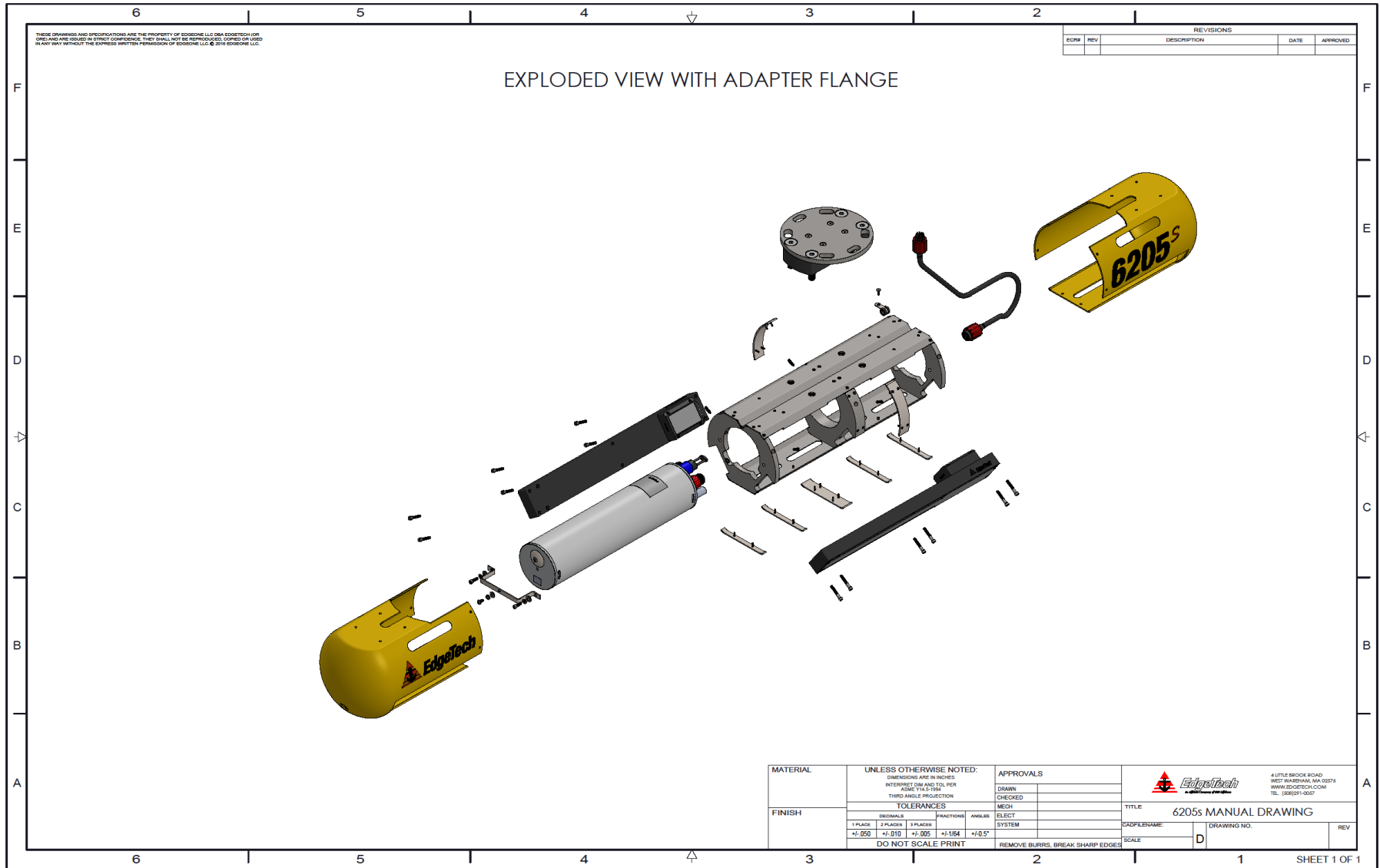


Figure 3-5: 6205s Exploded View with Adaptor Flange

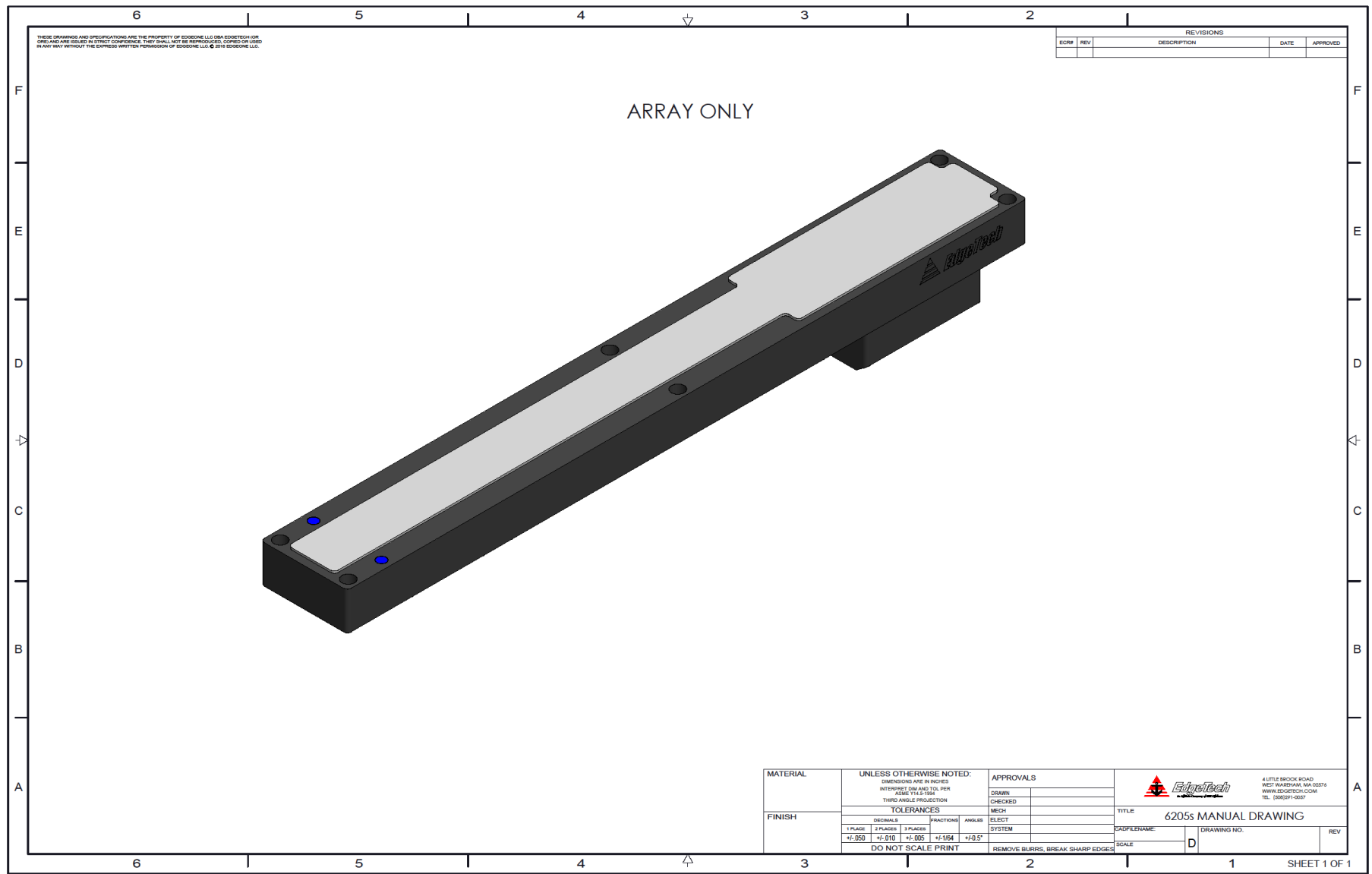


Figure 3-6: 6205s Transducer

The 6205s Arrays have been color-coded based on their operating frequency. The color code is shown and described below:



Figure 3-7: 6205s Array Color Codes Diagram

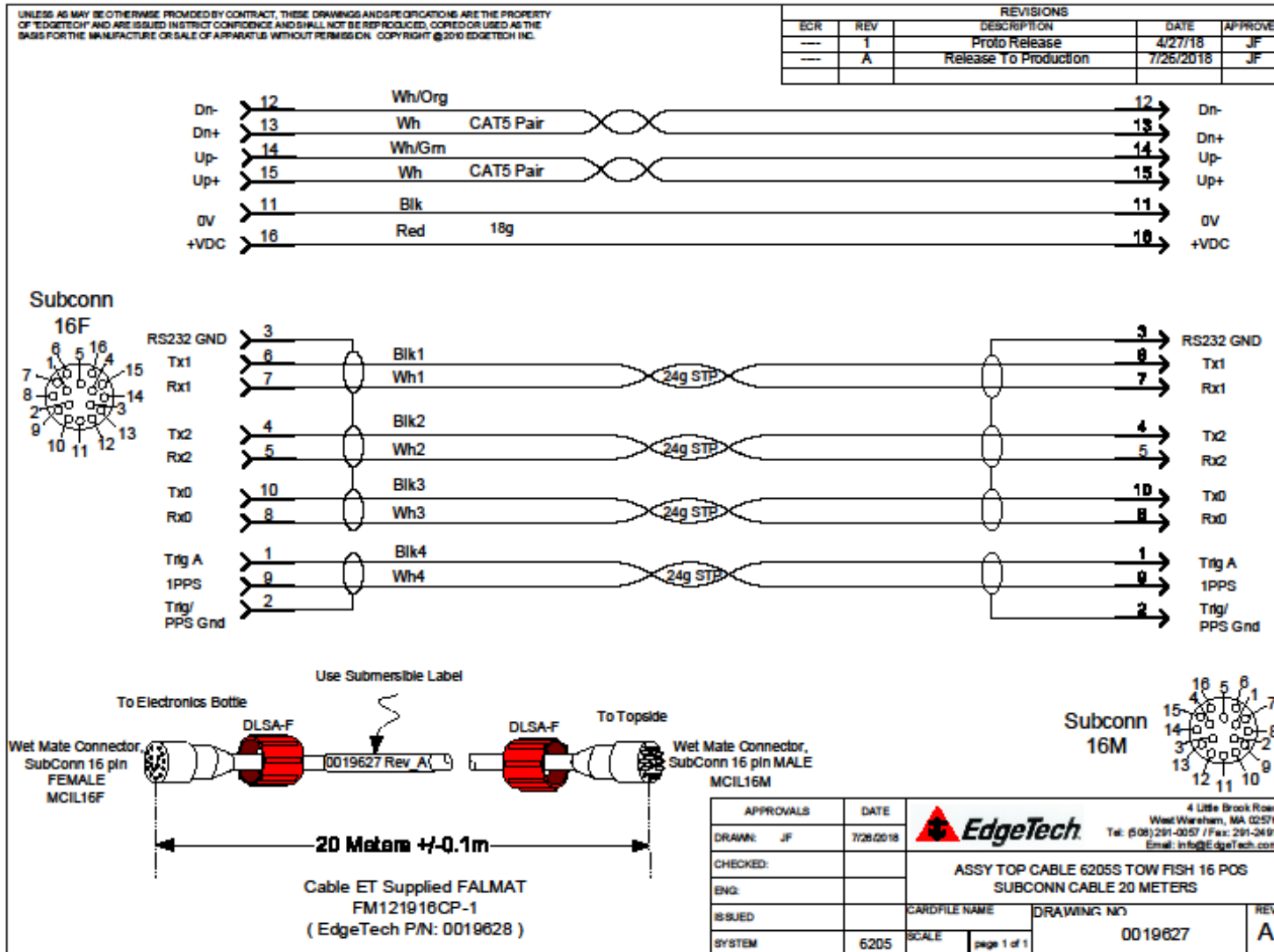


Figure 3-8: 6205s Wiring Diagram – 0019627

SECTION 4: CONNECTIONS AND FORMATS

The 6205s System relies on specific data formats and connections to produce high-quality images and measurements. This section describes these data formats and connections and provides diagrams to better understand the system's hardware and data flow.

4.1 Data Formats

There are several types of data required to support the survey operations, and correct processing of the 6205s Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan echo data:

- a. GNSS Position in NMEA format, latitude and longitude and height; 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
- e. 1PPS TTL, typically from the GNSS receiver

Data may be supplied by 1, 2, or 3 individual sources (sensors) 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
 \$xxGGK ** (Applanix PosMV Format) ** = Non-NMEA standard sentences
 - iv. \$PTNL, GGK, ... ** (Trimble Format)
- 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 an ethernet connection via UDP functionality.

4.2 System Connections and Data Flow

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

4.2.1 Ethernet LAN Connections

The Ethernet LAN connection from the sonar head to the 6205s topside interface is made using a physical wired connection via a 1m (40inch) pigtail extension and the standard 20m (65 ft) Deck Cable. The 6205s 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 computer are listed below. The 6205s 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 Computer are listed below.

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

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

The 6205s can receive data from supporting sensors via the ethernet connection utilizing UDP. Refer to the **UDP CONNECTIONS** section of the manual for more information on configuring 6205s for UDP data transfer.

4.2.2 Serial Port Connections

There are three RS-232 serial ports provided on the 6205s 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. The **CONFIGURING COM PORTS** section of this manual has instructions on how to configure them.

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.

4.2.3 Hardware Connectivity

FIGURE 4-1 is a block diagram that illustrates interconnections between the 6205s Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar Head, the 6205s-R Rack Mount Topside Interface, and all supporting sensors. This illustration gives examples of three possible sensor configurations that are explained below.

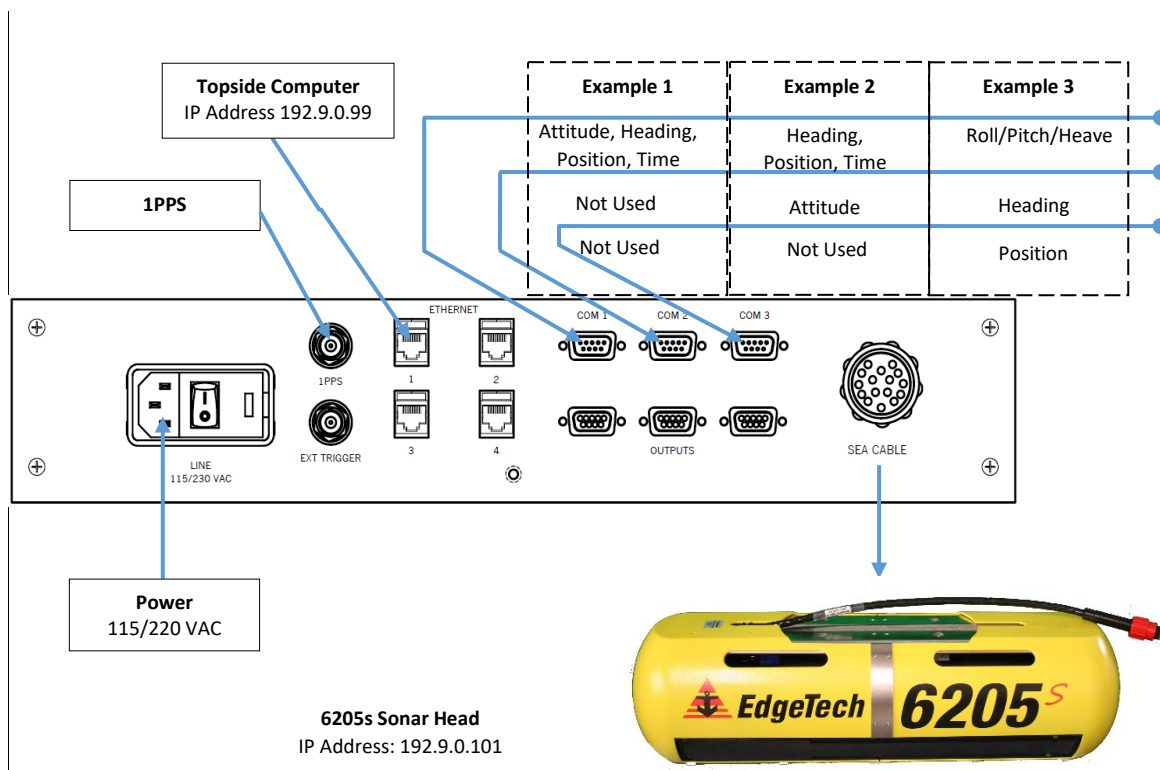


Figure 4-1: 6205s Rack Mount Topside Interface Connections

Note: The 6205s-P portable topside interface connections are similar.

In **FIGURE 4-1**, the 6205s sonar interface connects to the sonar head via deck cable. Time and 1PPS, navigation, heading, roll, pitch, and heave data from supporting sensors via COM ports 1, 2, and/or 3 and 1PPS, are inputted at sonar interface, passed through the deck cable, and processed by sonar processor in sonar head.

These processed navigation and attitude data are transmitted (along with the raw side-scan data) with a common timestamp up the deck cable to the 6205s sonar interface. They are then passed to the topside computer through an Ethernet cable and via the 100Mbps link on an Ethernet port (IP Address: 192.9.0.99).

The topside computer then processes the 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 detail in the following section. The 3rd party software and Discover Bathymetric processors may all run on the same topside computer.

4.2.3.1 Serial Port Configuration Examples

Example 1 in **FIGURE 4-1** depicts a sensor interfacing to the 6205s sonar interface that provides time and 1PPS, navigation (latitude/longitude), heading, roll, pitch, and heave data over one serial connection—such as a NovaTel ProPak 6 or Applanix POS-MV (RS232 data output, not Ethernet data output). As depicted in **FIGURE 4-1**, the sensor is connected to COM1.

Example 2 shows the most common interfacing scenario, a GNSS that provides navigation and heading and time data, accompanied by a separate motion sensor for heave/roll/pitch measurements.

The COM ports should be assigned as such:

- COM1 = MRU (Roll, Pitch, Heave)
- COM2 = GNSS (Navigation and Heading and Time)
- 1PPS = 1PPS TTL from the GNSS unit

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

Example 3 portrays a situation where the GNSS does not provide heading data. In this case, three sensors are required: a GNSS for navigation (latitude/longitude/height and time), a Gyrocompass 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 = Gyrocompass (Heading)
- COM3 = GNSS (latitude/longitude/time)
- 1PPS = 1PPS TTL from the GNSS unit

The sensors allocated to COM1 and COM2 may be interchanged for the same reason stated in the second example. GNSS data, or latitude and longitude and height data, must be allotted to COM3 because

position messages include a valid timestamp. In contrast, attitude and heading messages accepted by 6205s do not include a valid time tag.

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

4.2.3.2 Ethernet Port Configuration Examples

The 6205s can receive navigation and altitude data from supporting sensors via the Ethernet connection utilizing UDP. Refer to **SECTION 8.3.4 UDP CONNECTIONS** for more information on configuring 6205s for UDP data transfer.

FIGURE 4-2 depicts a sensor interface to the 6205s Sonar Interface that provides a time and 1PPS connection and a navigation (latitude/longitude), heading, roll, pitch, and heave data connection over an ethernet connection (Ethernet 1). Systems that include an Applanix POS-MV or SBG Systems Navsight would use this configuration.

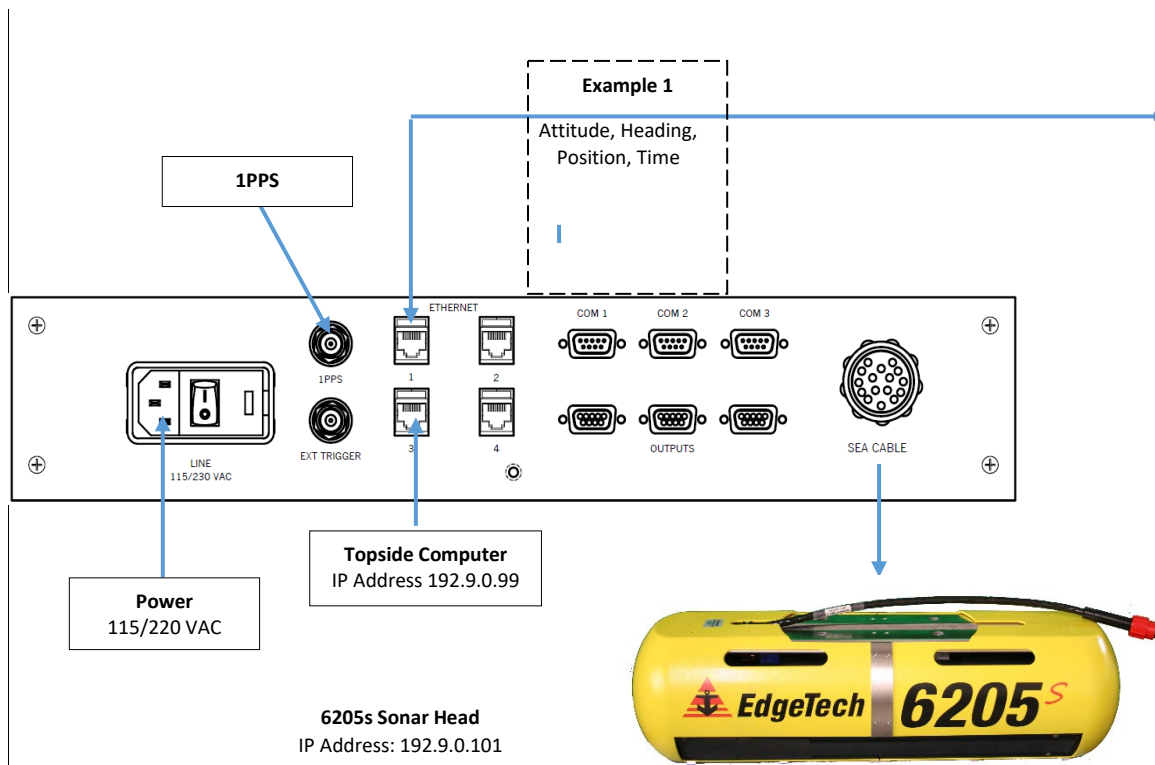


Figure 4-2: 6205s-R Rack Mount Topside Interface Connections

NOTE: The 6205s-P portable topside interface connections are similar.

Utilizing the Applanix POSVIEW software set the ethernet real-time broadcast to groups 3,7,10, and 102. The output rate of the POS-MV should be set to 50Hz. The POS-MV must also be set to Falling (Negative) Edge or **Active Low** for the 1PPS as the 6205s defaults to sync on the falling edge. The POS-MV must also be set to UTC (default), not GPS, for the main time frame.

See POS MV V5 User Interface Control Document (PUBS-ICD-004089) latest revision for full details of data telegrams. In summary, the POS-MV groups are:

- Group 3 = Primary GNSS status, used for time field for time sync
- Group 7 = PPS time recovery and status. Not used by EdgeTech
- Group 10 = General Status and FDIR
- Group 102 = Sensor 1 time, position, velocity, attitude, heave & dynamics, used for position and attitude.

For more information, refer to the [DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC SOFTWARE USER MANUAL \(0014878\)](#).

4.2.3.3 PPS Port Configuration

Pulse per second (PPS) is a feature in many GPS units to provide an accurate timing signal to synchronize various devices to a precise, common clock. The Edgetech 6205s-R rack-mounted and 6205s-P portable topsides provide a rear panel 1PPS port to physically connect to a PPS capable unit. The 6205s-R is depicted in [FIGURE 4-2](#). The logical configuration is done in the attached GPS's configuration and activating the 1PPS option in [EDGE TECH'S DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC SOFTWARE](#).

CAUTION! The 6205S system is optimized to work with a falling edge 1PPS signal.

The EdgeTech Isolator Board is designed to identify the input signal's falling edge and reconstitute it as a rising edge 2.27ms pulse. This signal is passed down the deck cable to the subsea electronics, where the rising edge is utilized as the 1PPS time sync reference. Refer to [FIGURE 4-3](#). This configuration produces little to no latency when a falling edge 1PPS signal is injected at the topside.

NOTE: To learn more about the EdgeTech Isolator Board, refer to the [TOPSIDE PROVIDED ISOLATION](#) section of this manual.

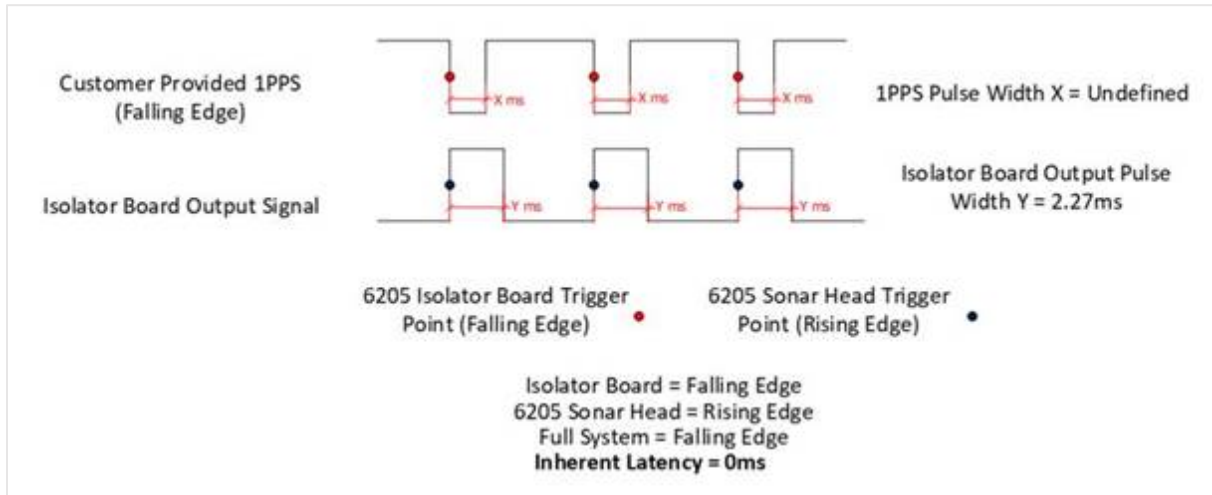


Figure 4-3: Figure 4 3: 6205S System Is Optimized To Work With A Falling Edge 1PPS Signal

If a falling edge trigger is not available, a rising edge trigger can be used. There are no software or hardware adjustments required. However, a latency equivalent to the input trigger's pulse width will be generated. As a result, we recommend using a pulse width of 1ms or less if a rising edge trigger must be used. Static latency correction occurs during the patch test process in third party software packages.

4.2.4 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 sub-modules. This first is the Bathymetric Processor that processes the bathymetry solutions. The second is the Discover application that processes and displays the dual-frequency side-scan data. If third-party software is utilized, it would be added to the data flow. The Sonar Data Flow Chart below (**FIGURE 4-3**) illustrates the data flow between Discover, the Bathymetric Processor, and any third-party software.

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

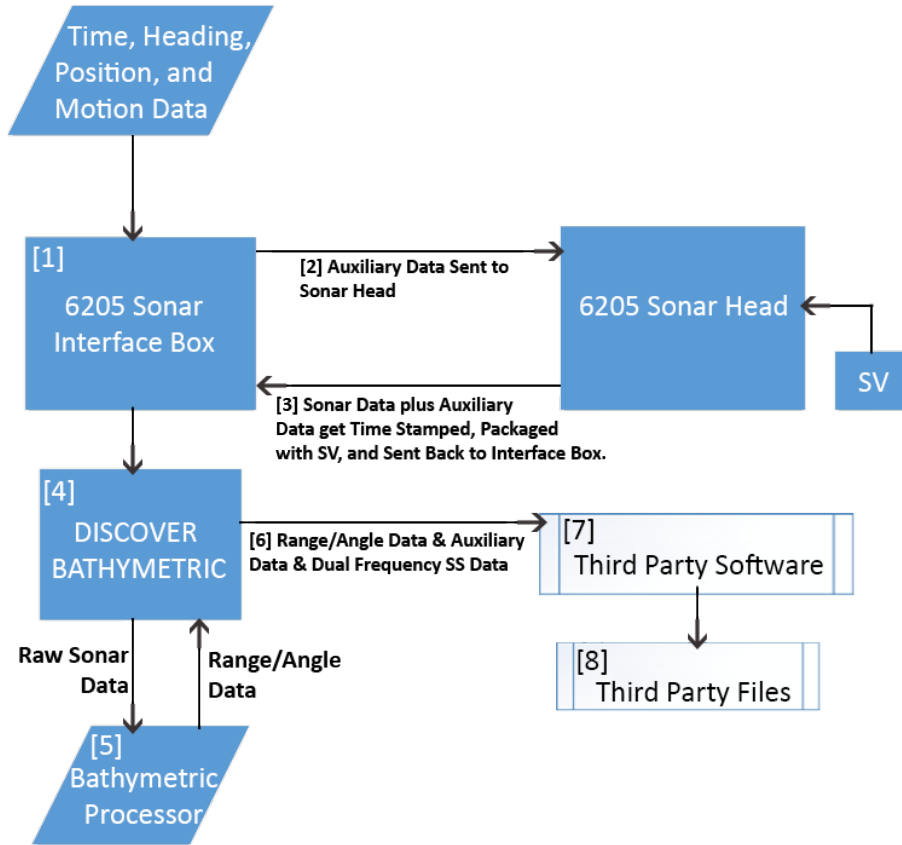


Figure 4-4: Sonar Data Flowchart

The flow chart in **FIGURE 4-4** demonstrates the following:

1. The auxiliary sensors provide time, heading, position (latitude/longitude), and motion (roll, pitch, and heave) data to the 6205s Sonar Interface Box via the provided RS-232 serial ports or UDP connections over the ethernet link.
2. Auxiliary data is then relayed without additional latency to the 6205s Sonar Head via the deck cable.
3. Auxiliary data is then combined with the raw sonar data and instantaneous sound velocity (SV) measurements. They are time-stamped with a common value and then sent back to the 6205s topside Sonar Interface Box.
4. The Discover Bathymetric application 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 the Discover Bathymetric application, 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, data is displayed on the provided graphical displays to illustrate the bathymetry and simultaneous dual-frequency side scan data in real-time. The data may also be recorded as a *.JSF file if the user desires.

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

4.3 Topside Provided Isolation

The two most common sources of noise are power supplies and poor grounding on survey vessels. Edgetech's proprietary signal conditioning and isolation board is shipped with every topside to protect against the noise fluctuations on the ground line of the subsea electronics. 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.

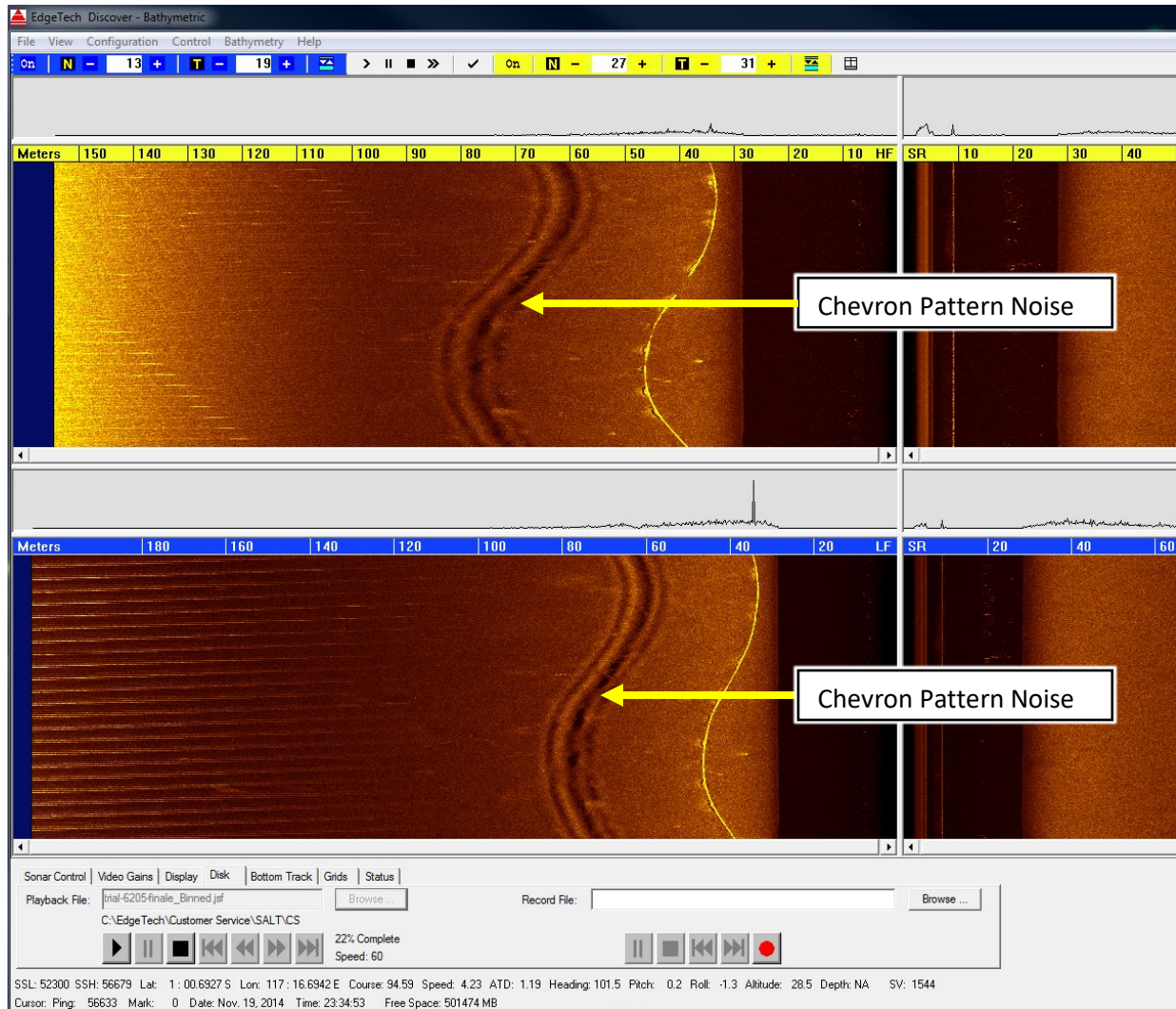


Figure 4-5: Chevron Pattern Noise in a Cropped Portion of Discover Bathymetric

SECTION 5: INSTALLATION

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

5.1 Unpacking and Inspecting

The sonar head is shipped in a heavy-duty and reusable transport case. The interface box with cables, optional laptop, and USB are shipped in a cardboard box with appropriate packing material. All documentation, including manuals, is provided in electronic form on the USB.

Before unpacking the system's components, inspect the shipping containers for damage. If any damage is found, report it to the carrier and 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 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 6205s Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar system are listed in **MAIN SYSTEM COMPONENTS** section of this manual.

5.2 Sonar Head Installation

Installing the 6205s 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 6205s to the boat's bow.
2. If the customer wishes to mount the sonar off their vessel's side, care must be taken to ensure keel clearance.

5.2.1 Over-the-Bow Deployment

Edgetech's recommended option is to mount the 6205s sonar head to the bow of the survey vessel. An example of an over-the-bow deployment is depicted in the photographs in **FIGURE 5-1**. If help is needed with this type of installation, do not hesitate to contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.



Figure 5-1: 6205s Deployment, Option 1 – Over-the-Bow

5.2.2 Over-the-Side Deployment

An alternative to the bow mount is to secure the 6205s sonar head over the survey vessel's side via a pole. An example of an over-the-side deployment is illustrated in the images in **FIGURE 5-2**. If help is needed with this type of installation, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE**.



Figure 5-2: 6205s Deployment, Option 2 – Over-the-Side

5.2.3 USV Deployment

An alternative to the ship-mounted is to secure the 6205s sonar head to an unmanned survey vessel. An example of an Unmanned Surface Vehicle (USV) deployment is illustrated in the images in **FIGURE 5-3**. Contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE** for assistance with any USV installation.



Figure 5-3: 6205s Deployment, Option 3 – to a USV (Sea Robotics in this example)

5.3 Positioning the Topside Interface Box

The Topside Interface Box should be positioned to enable direct communications with the deck crew operating the survey vessel, sonar head, and other supporting sensors. Try and position the box out of areas of direct sunlight, especially in tropical environments, as heat build-up can occur, and viewing status indicators can become difficult to see due to brightness and glare.

The topside interface box can be set up in several ways, depending on the model purchased. The 6205s-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 6205s-P portable design is a bit more versatile since it is watertight when closed and can be set up anywhere on the survey vessel. Care should be taken, however, to keep the ends of the breakout cables dry. Do not submerge the 6205s-P.

5.4 Field Exchangeable Frequency Operations

The Field Swappable functionality is only possible with 230 / 550 kHz Side Scan systems.

In order to switch between different bathymetry frequencies, the 6205s arrays must be exchanged with the corresponding bathymetry array. For instance, if the Sonar Head is 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

- 1/16-inch Allen Wrench
 - 3/16-inch Allen Wrench
 - Tube of Thread Lock
1. Place the 6205s on a stable and level platform, such as a workbench or boat deck.



Figure 5-4: Unit on Stable Platform

2. Removing the [8] cap screws using a $1/16$ " Allen key on the right and left sides of the housing.

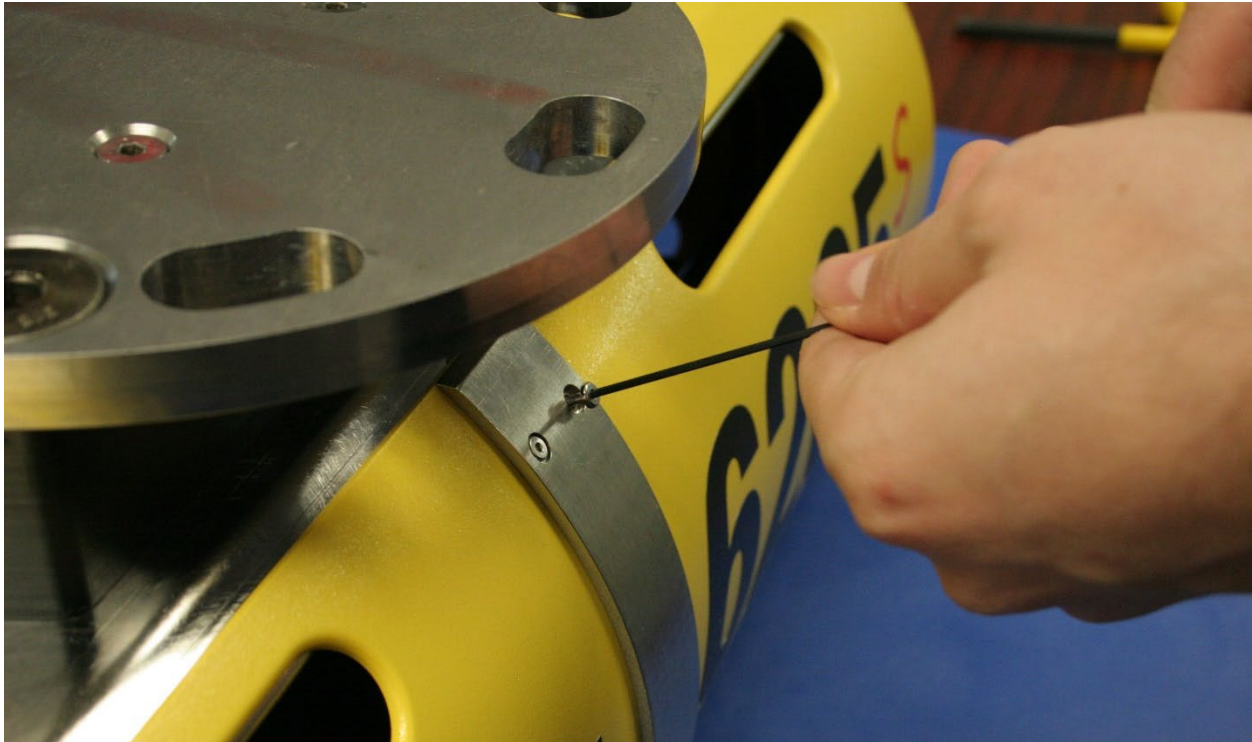


Figure 5-5: Removing the Cap Screws

3. Flip the 6205s over so the bottom of the unit is upright to expose the remaining brackets.



Figure 5-6: Top Housing and Deck Cable Removed

4. Remove the [4] screws in the widest, center bracket.
5. Then, remove the [4] remaining screws in the [2] other brackets.

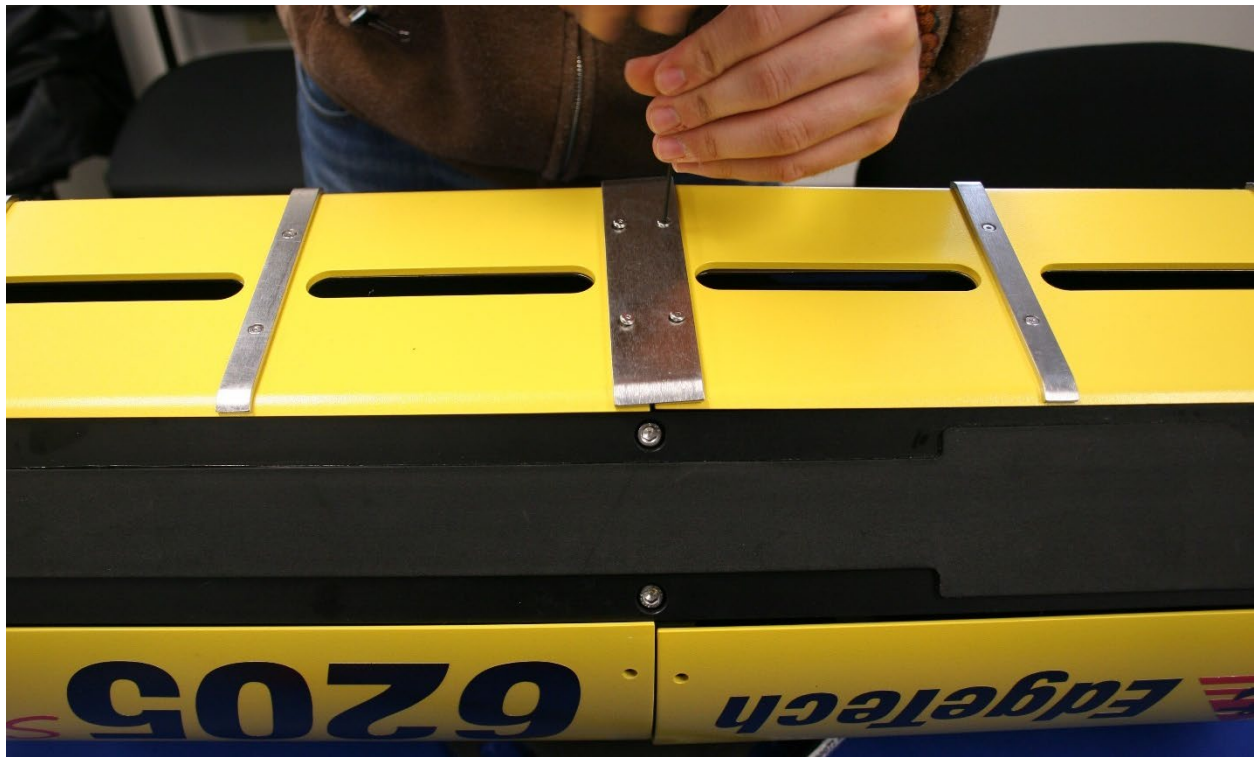


Figure 5-7: Remove the Center Bracket

NOTE: You DO have to remove the shell from which the black pigtail comes from. You DO NOT have to remove the front shell.

6. Slide the shell off the housing.



Figure 5-8: Remove the Portion of the Shell 'EdgeTech' and the Logo

7. Unplug the bathymetry and side scan sonar cables on the transducer you're replacing.

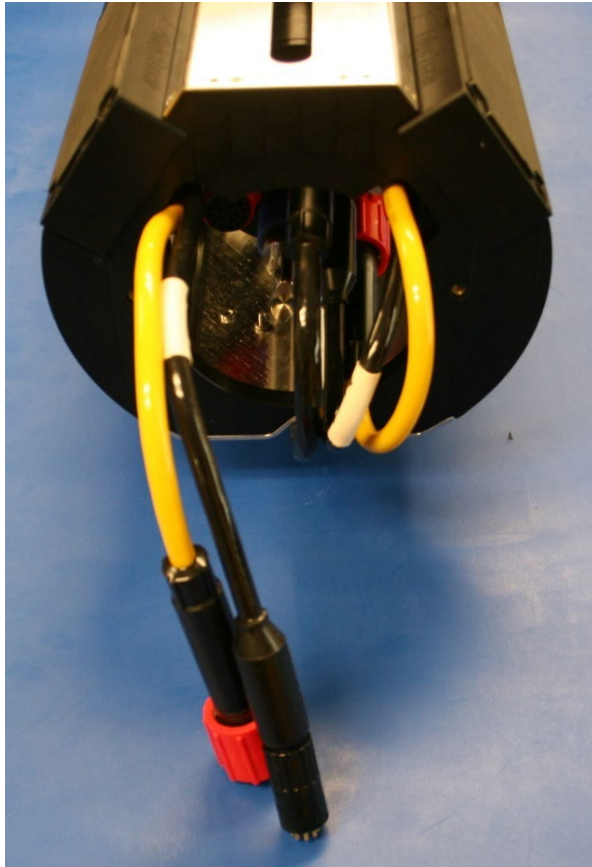


Figure 5-9: The Disconnected Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar Cables

8. Remove all six $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 20 x 1.5" cap screws using the same $\frac{3}{16}$ " Allen key.

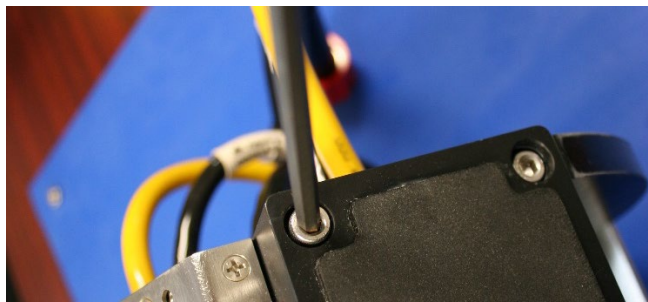


Figure 5-10: Remove the [6] Cap Screws



Figure 5-11: All Cap Screws Removed

9. To remove the transducer, slide it away from the Housing and pull it straight out of the frame. Take care not to damage the side scan and bathymetry cables out of the frame.

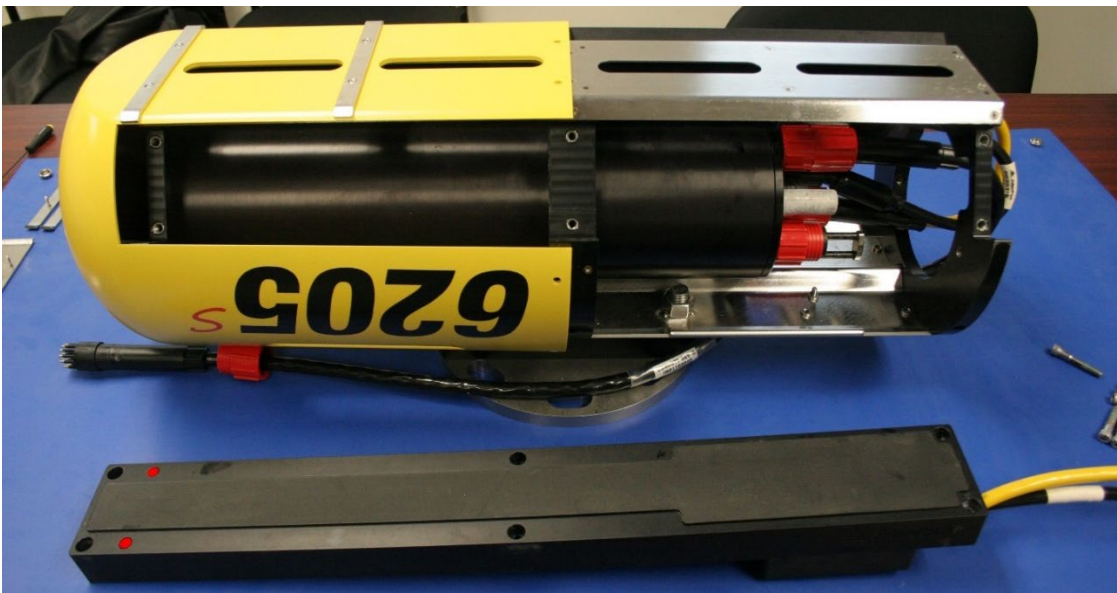


Figure 5-12: Remove the Existing Transducer

10. To mount the new transducer, insert the side scan and bathymetry cables into the housing and through the frame.

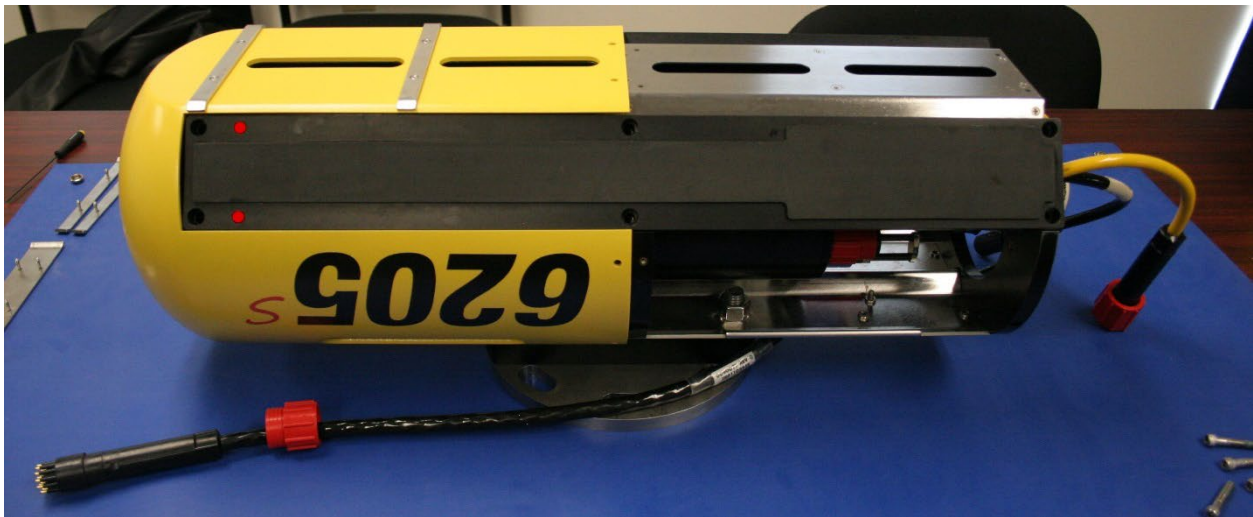


Figure 5-13: Mount the New Transducer

11. Place the transducer onto the frame and align the screw holes. To keep the transducer in place, insert two screws on the top and bottom of opposing corners.

NOTE EdgeTech suggests using a reputable thread lock product to secure all bolts on the arrays and housing. Contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) to learn what product EdgeTech currently uses.

12. Repeat the same steps for the opposite transducer.

CAUTION! Each array is labeled according to the side it corresponds to. 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 specific to each array, and these must be installed correctly for calibration to be successful.

13. Complete the transducer installation by completing the steps above in reverse.

NOTE EdgeTech suggests using a reputable thread lock product to secure all bolts on the arrays and housing.

SECTION 6: CONNECT TO SONAR

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 6205s data. It also briefly describes the EdgeTech Discover Bathymetric software. For more information, refer to [THE DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC SOFTWARE USER MANUAL \(0014878\)](#).

6.1 Connecting to Sonar via Remote Desktop

A user can connect to the 6205's internal computer using Window's Remote Desktop application and view the sonar application (Sonar.exe) to check the status of the supporting data 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. It is not recommended to connect to the sonar without EdgeTech support, except for the Instructions Below.

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

1. **6205s-R**
2. **6205s-P**

6.1.1 Connecting with the 6205s-R

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

1. Navigate to the **Remote Desktop**. 'Start' button > All Programs > Accessories > Remote Desktop Connection. Alternatively, click the 'Start' button, type **mstsc** in Search, and hit <Enter>. The following window will appear:

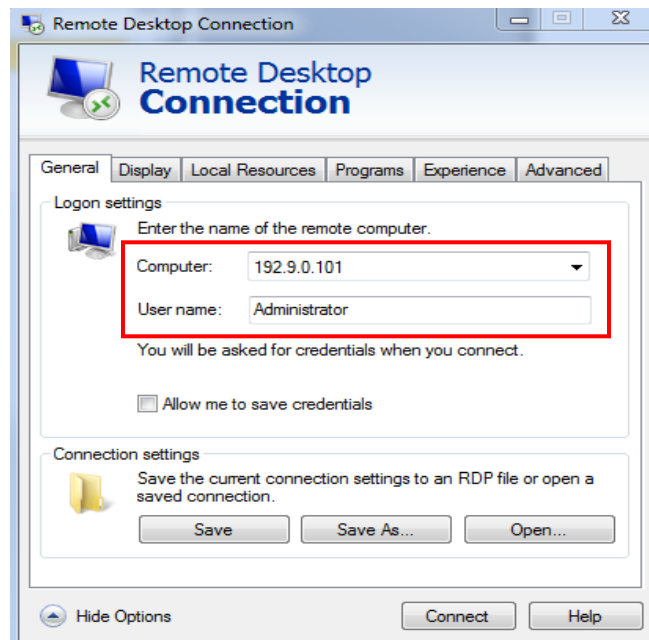


Figure 6-1: Manual Remote Desktop Credentials for Customer Supplied Computer

2. Connect to the 6205s Sonar using an IP address of **192.9.0.101** and the User name, **Administrator**.
3. When prompted for a password, input **admin**. Once logged on, the following window will appear on the desktop or minimized:



Figure 6-2: 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 signal processing and time synchronization of the acquired data.

6.1.2 Connecting with the 6205s-P

If using an EdgeTech supplied laptop with the 6205s-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 shown in **FIGURE 6-2**. 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 signal processing and time synchronization of the acquired data.

6.2 Confirming Supporting Data is Present

To ensure the sonar head's processor is communicating properly with the topside, complete the following:

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

1. Launch **Remote Desktop to Sonar** on the Windows desktop. The following window should appear:

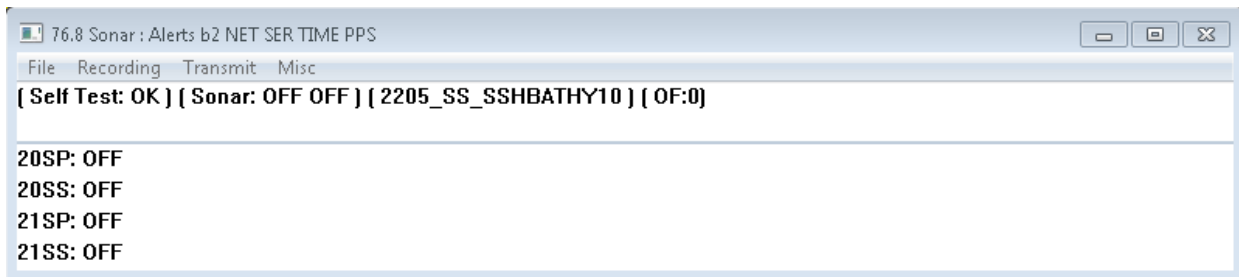


Figure 6-3: Sonar 192.9.0.101 Remote Desktop Connection Window

2. Click on **Menu > Misc > Serial Port Information**.
3. Check each COM port in the dropdown menu to ensure the correct baud rates are set and data is coming through for each device and in the correct format, as shown in **FIGURE 6-4**.
 - 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 the dropdown menu next to channel assignment in Serial Port Information Window, as shown in **Figure 6-4**, red arrow.

More information on how to configure the COM ports is presented in **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., the port is reporting no data), use **SECTION 7: TROUBLESHOOTING** to go through the troubleshooting process.

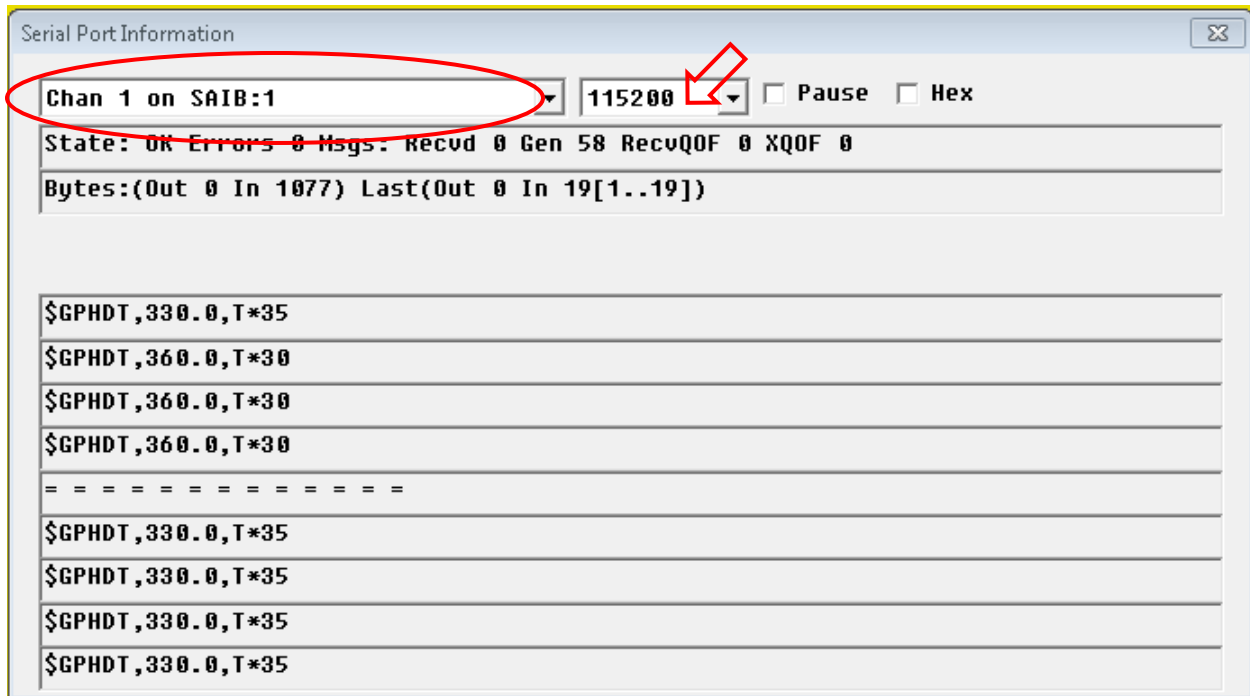


Figure 6-4: Serial Port Information Window

4. Click on **Menu > File > Show Status**. The System Status window will appear.
5. At the bottom of the window, click the **Config** bullet, then the dropdown menu item named **Config Item**.
6. Select **Serial** from the list.

Check to make sure all sensors' usage percentages are well below 80%, as shown in [FIGURE 6-5](#).

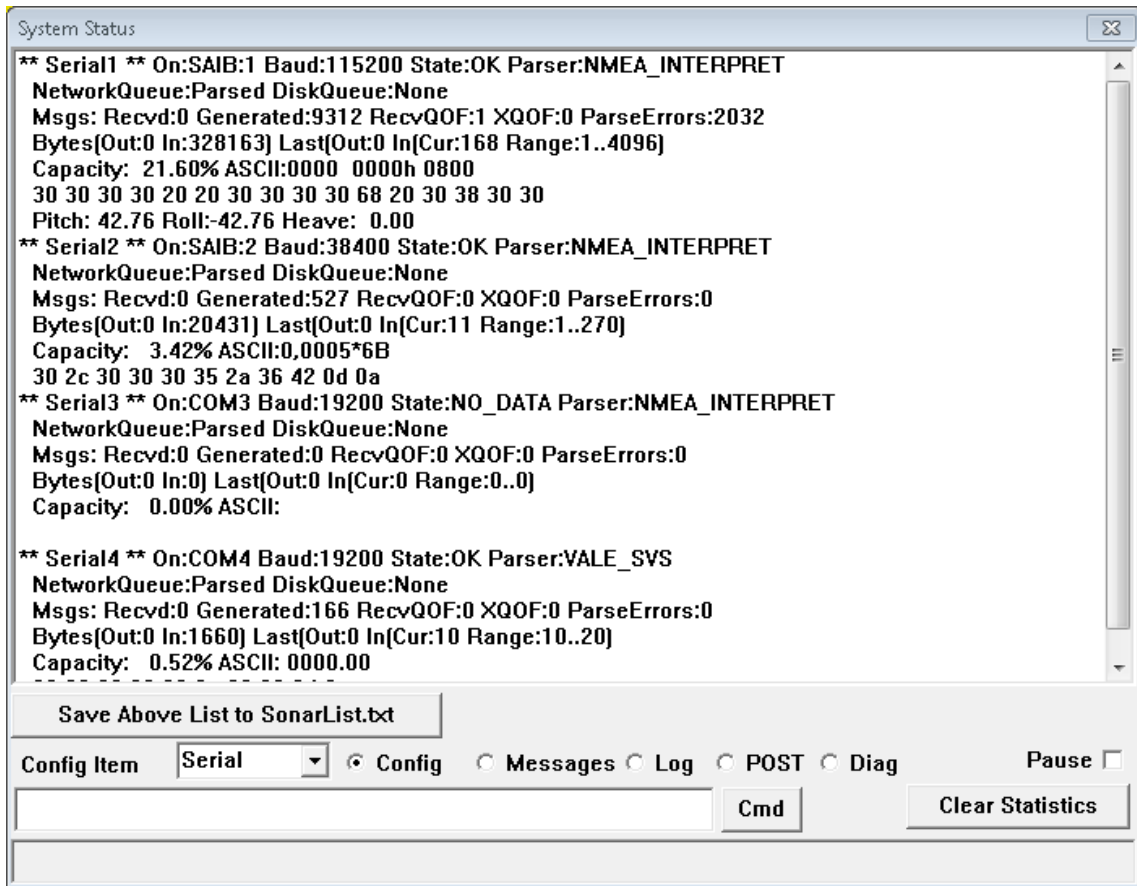


Figure 6-5: Sensor Usage Percentage Check

7. 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 close the **Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection** window.

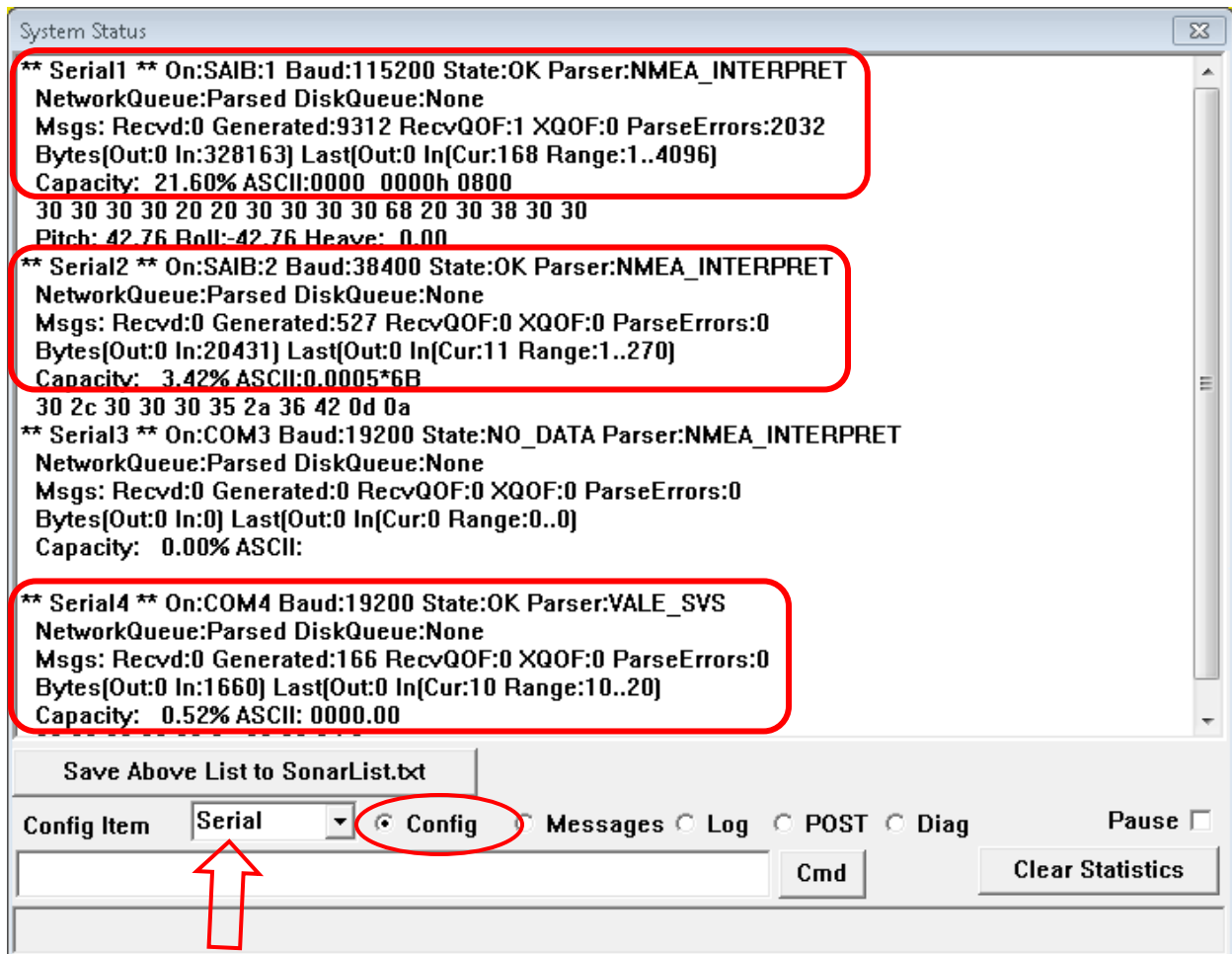


Figure 6-6: System Status Window

RTK Tide measurements can be incorporated into the 6205s System. Most third-party software packages can set up a device driver to acquire these data. A 1PPS sync is needed in this case, as these measurements are typically manipulated offline.

SECTION 7: MAINTENANCE

The 6205s 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, especially in warm, salty waters.

After each mission, the system should be rinsed thoroughly with fresh water, making sure to rinse the SVS, which is mounted onto the connector endcap, and connectors at the back using the carry slots located on the sonar housing. 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.

EdgeTech recommends regularly checking the array faces. Fouling and corrosion may degrade the 6205s system's measurements and/or the sound velocity sensor at the bottom of the Sonar Head. If fouling is observed, clean them using a washcloth with mild soap and freshwater. The SVS, mounted onto the connector endcap, should be regularly inspected and cleaned, as well as calibrated once every two years.

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 washcloth with mild soap and water. If any damage is observed, contact [EDGE TECH CUSTOMER SERVICE](#) immediately.

CAUTION!

The 6205s Sonar Head's transducers should NEVER be turned on when out of the water because the unit will overheat, causing permanent failure. In limited circumstances, the 6205s 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.

SECTION 8: TROUBLESHOOTING

8.1 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 8-1**.



Figure 8-1: No Sound Velocity on Port 4

If this error persists longer than 30 seconds, follow the procedure below 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 Windows Desktop, launch **Remote Desktop to Sonar**. The following window should appear:



Figure 8-2: 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 the dropdown 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 the port reports data, then proceed to normal operation. If not, continue to step 8.
8. Closeout of *Sonar.exe* by clicking on the 'X' in the top right corner, as shown in **FIGURE 8-3**, red arrow.

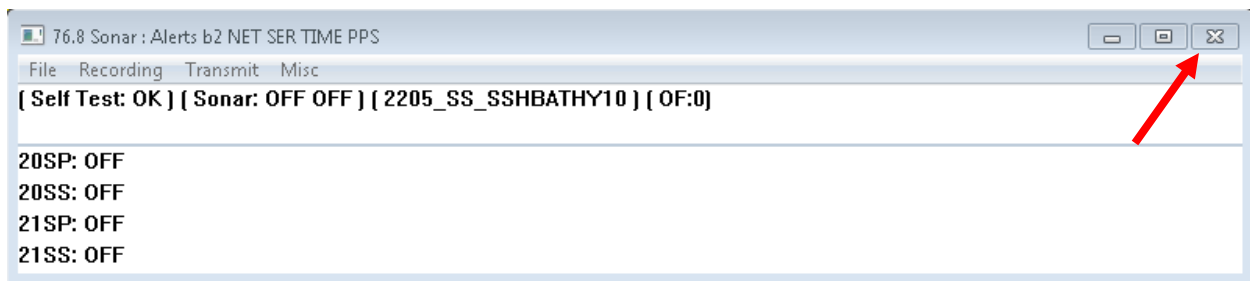


Figure 8-3: Closing the Sonar.exe Application

9. Double-click the “EdgeTech Shortcut” and navigate to Utilities/Teraterm folder. Launch **ttermpro.exe**.
10. Select **Serial**, choose **COM4** from the dropdown menu, as shown in **FIGURE 8-4**, and click **OK**.

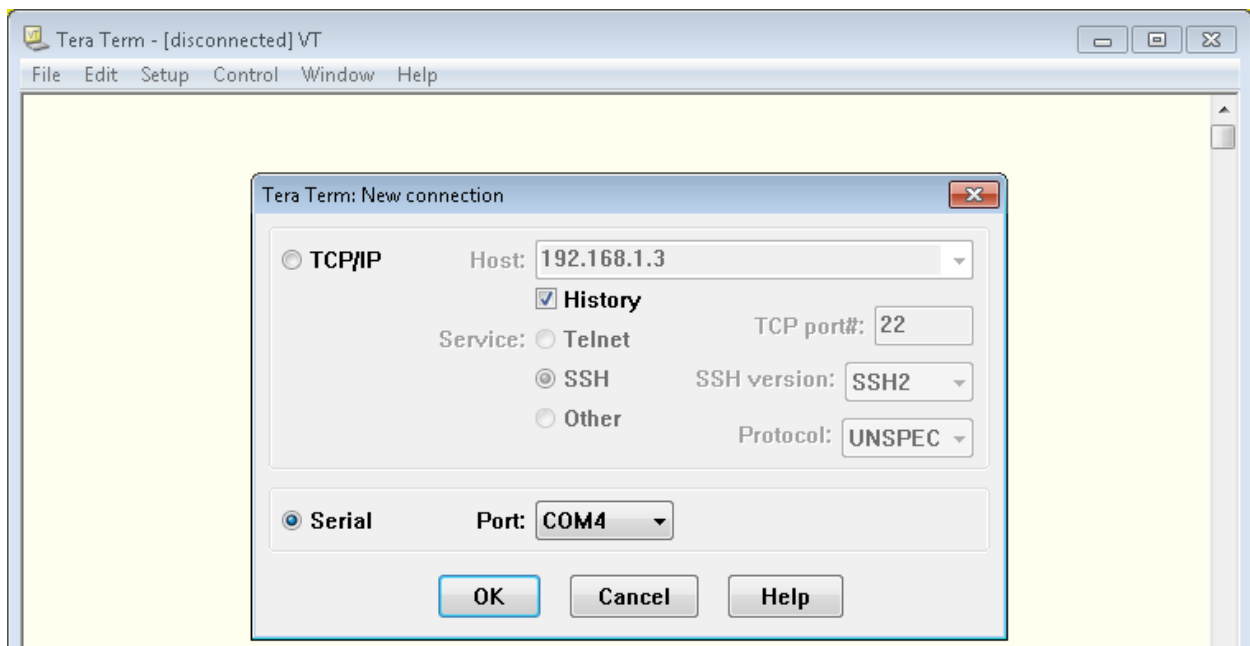


Figure 8-4: Connecting to COM4 using TeraTerm

11. Now, choose **Setup** from the top menu and then **Serial port**.
12. Configure the serial port options, as shown in **FIGURE 8-5**, and click **OK**.

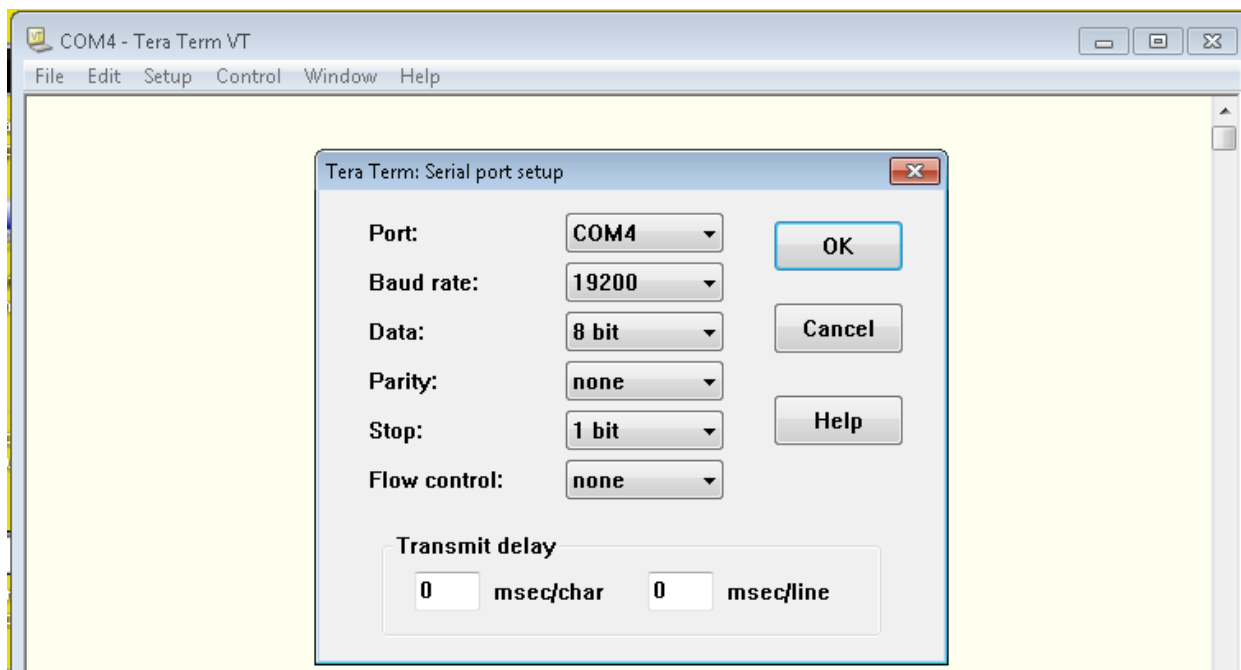


Figure 8-5: COM4 Port Settings

13. Input the following commands:

Press <Enter> to start communications to SV sensor.
 Type in **"SET STARTUP NOHEADER"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET STARTUP MONITOR"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET SV FORMAT 42"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET SV ZEROSUPPRESSION 5 seconds"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET SVAVERAGE 4"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET SAMPLE 1/S"** and press <Enter>.
 Type in **"SET DETECT 06"** and press <Enter>.

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 and check COM4 using the Sonar application as before in steps 3 and 4 above. SV data should not be scrolling as in:

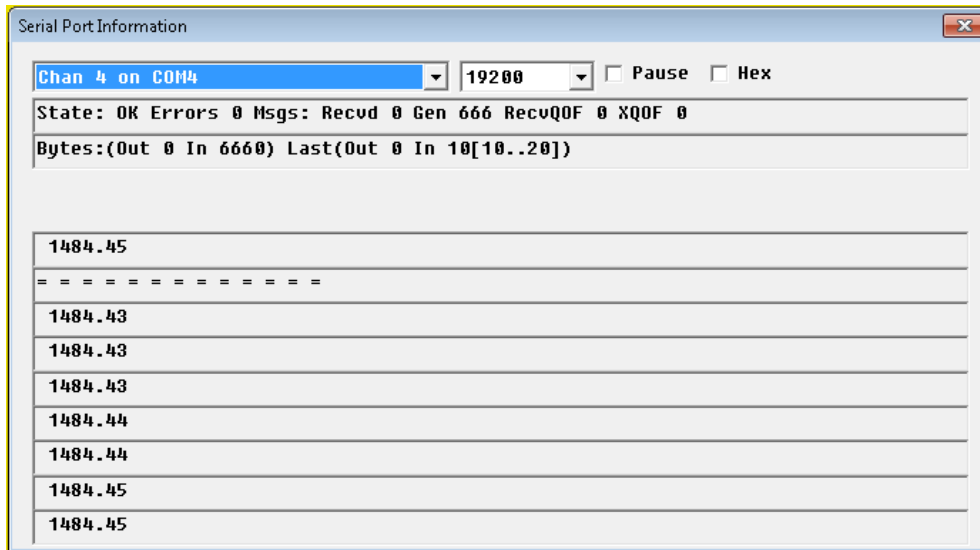


Figure 8-6: Scrolling SV Data in Sonar.exe

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

8.2 Configuring Auxiliary Sensors for Redundant Information

Auxiliary sensors can input redundant auxiliary information into the 6205s that can cause a significant data alignment problem as the sequential sonar data packets will be inconsistently stuffed from multiple sources. This manual defines redundant auxiliary information as multiple sources of the same class of auxiliary information (e.g., roll, pitch, heading). This redundancy problem is generally caused by two sensors supplying the same message string and two sensors supplying the same information but from different messages. The following subsections describe each problem and the configuration that should be done to remedy it. 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.

8.2.1 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 8-7** and **FIGURE 8-8**.

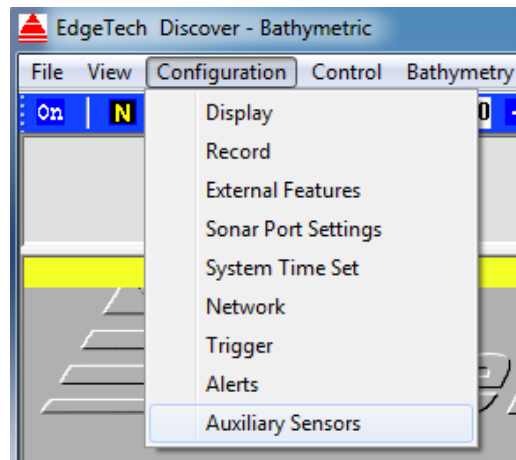


Figure 8-7: Configuration Menu

The screenshot shows the 'Auxiliary Sensors' dialog box with a table of sensor configurations. The table has four columns: Sensor Name, Status, Total, Not Processed, and Average Rate (Hz). Several rows are highlighted with colored boxes: GGA, VTG, and GGK are highlighted in red; HDT is highlighted in green; and others are not highlighted.

		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 8-8: Auxiliary Sensors

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

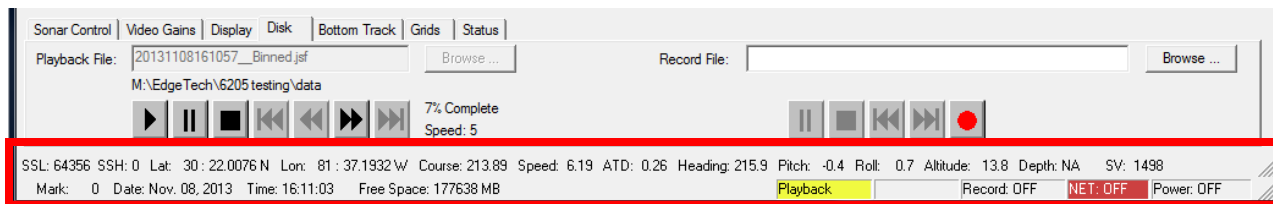


Figure 8-9: Sonar Control Tab

NOTE: For more information, refer to the **DISCOVER BATHYMETRIC SOFTWARE MANUAL (PN 0014878)**.

8.2.2 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 6205s 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 6205s data.

To correct this, the 6205s 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:

- Log in to Remote Desktop as outlined in sub-section 5.1.
- Double click on the folder labeled “Shortcut to EdgeTech Folder.”
- Navigate to the **D:/EdgeTech/SSSSonarBathy/Sonar** directory 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.

- Find the serial port outputting the redundant message, and under the **Parser** field, add the words **ParserParameters=DISABLEHEADING**. For example, if COM 1 on the interface box is used to input an OCTANS message at a baud rate of 38400, then SonarSerial.ini should be manipulated to reflect, as shown in **FIGURE 8-10**.

```

SonarSerial.ini - Notepad
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 8-10: SonarSer-all.ini

NOTE: This new keyword disables the 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

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

8.3 Configuring COM Ports

There are three available COM ports on the Interface Box to provide the necessary information to the 6205s. 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.

NOTE: Most of the COM port configuration can and should be completed via the Discover Bathymetric Software.

8.3.1 One Sensor

One sensor, such as the Applenix 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 6205s via the deck cable to the 6205s Topside Interface Box.
2. Turn on the 6205s Sonar Head and run the Remote Desktop Application, named Sonar. The main screen, as shown in [FIGURE 8-11](#), should appear.

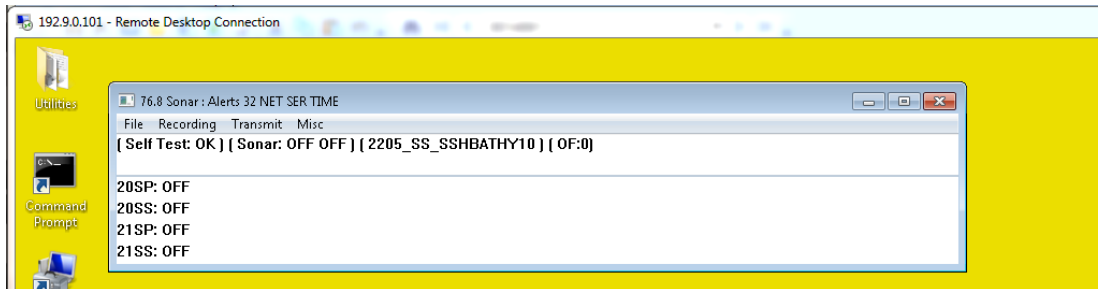


Figure 8-11: Sonar Remote Desktop Application, Main Screen

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

3. Click on the 'X' at the top right to close the firmware.
4. Double click on the Shortcut to EdgeTech icon and open the SSSonarBathy folder, then Sonar folder.
5. Look for the SonarSerial.ini file, as shown in [FIGURE 8-12](#), and open it using WordPad or Notepad, as shown in [FIGURE 8-13](#).

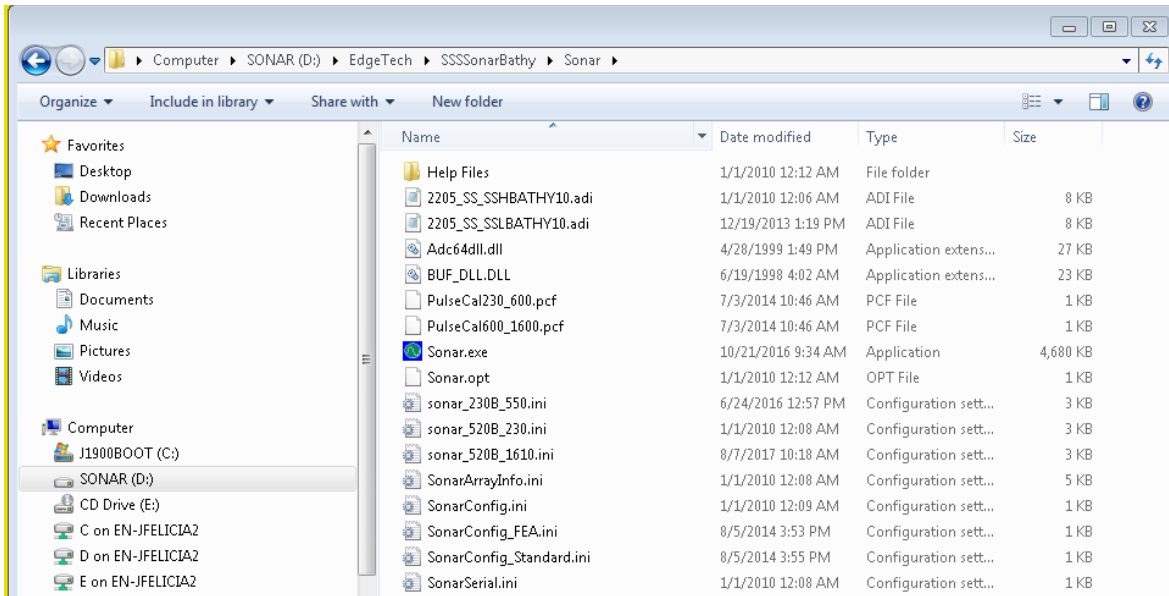


Figure 8-12: Finding the SonarSerial.ini File

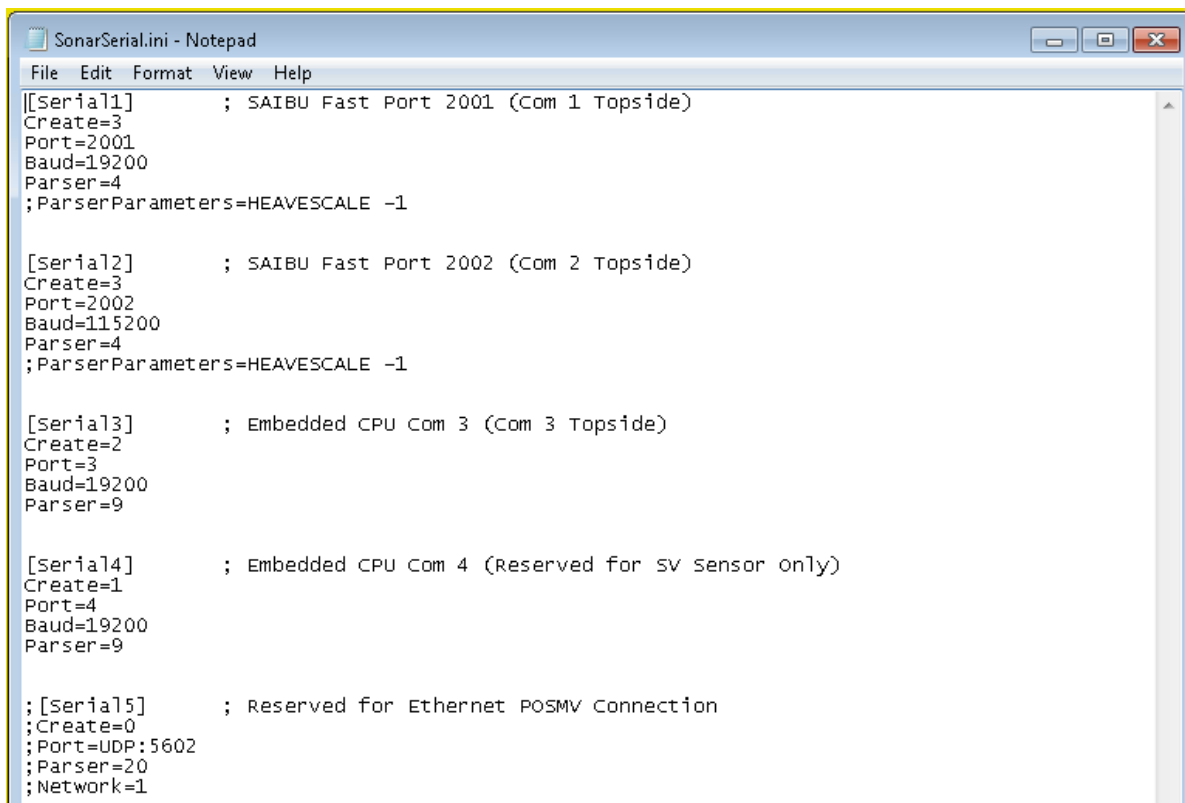


Figure 8-13: SonarSerial.ini File

- 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, as shown in **FIGURE 8-14**.

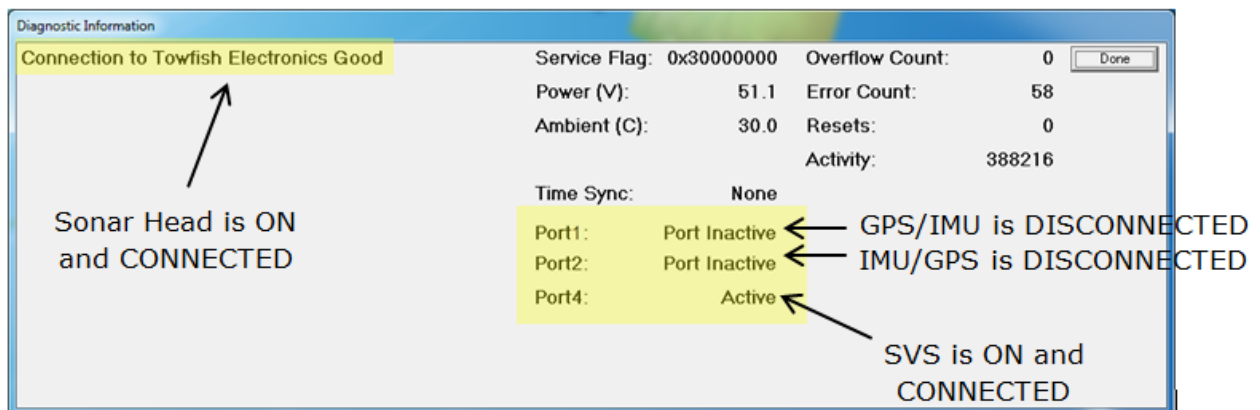


Figure 8-14: Diagnostic Window, Reporting Ports Inactive Error

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, as shown in **FIGURE 8-15**, designated by the green arrow.

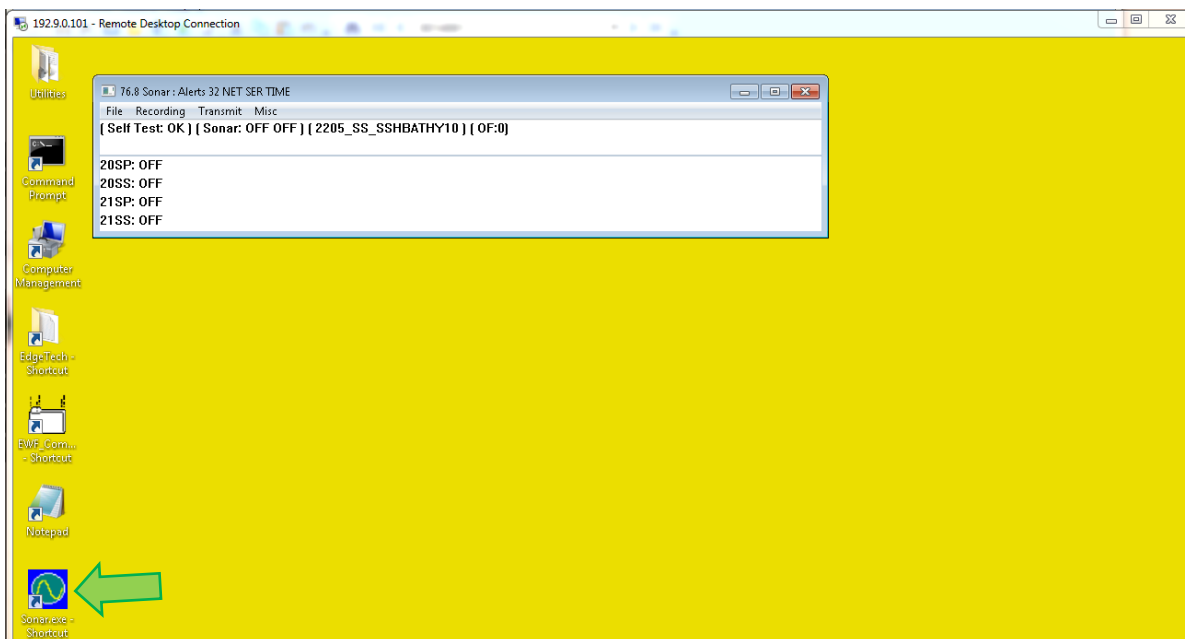


Figure 8-15: Rebooting Sonar from the Main Screen

8. Plug the device into COM 1.
9. Click **Misc.** at the top of the Sonar screen, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#), then **Serial Port Information**.
10. Check **COM1** and set the correct baud rate for that device using the dropdown menu, shown with a blue arrow in [FIGURE 8-16](#). When the correct baud rate is set, the State should say **OK**, and **Errors** should not be increasing, as shown circled in green in [FIGURE 8-16](#). The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window, as shown by the green arrow, [FIGURE 8-16](#).

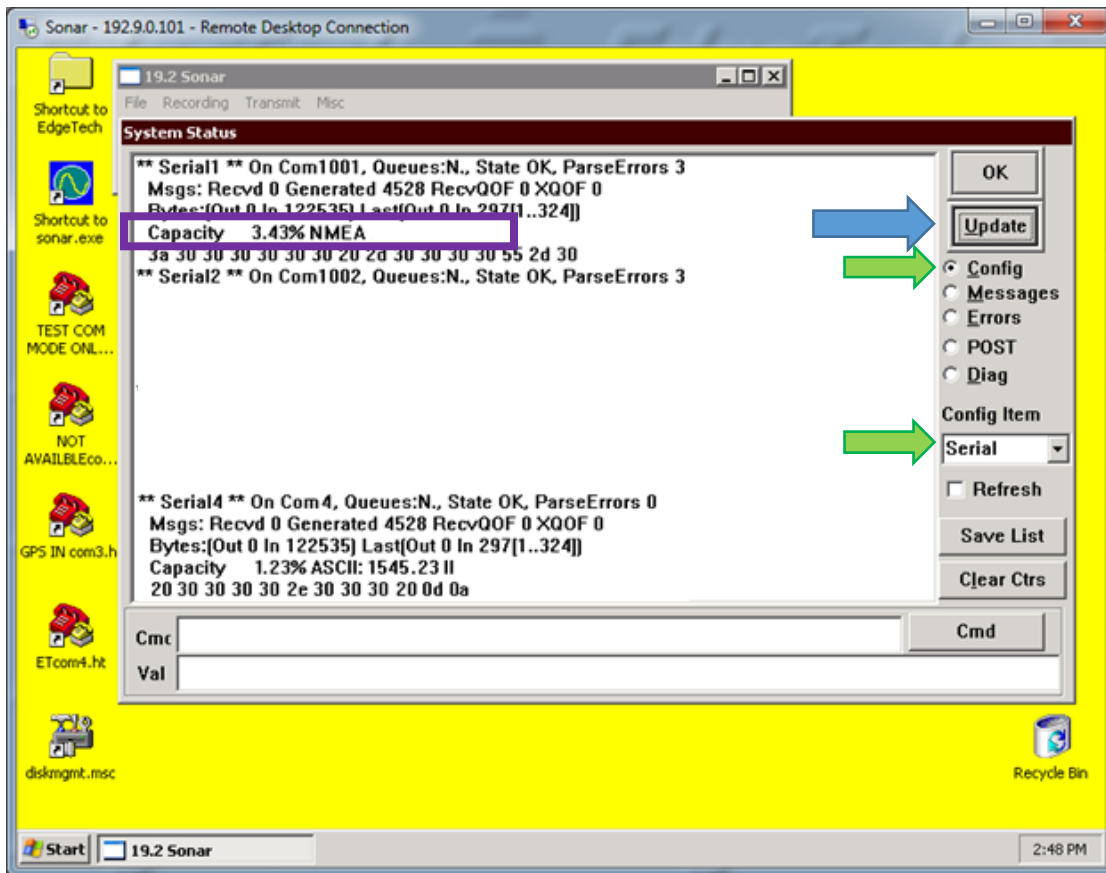


Figure 8-18: Closing the System Status Window

12. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under Update Button (green arrow in **FIGURE 8-18**) and then on the dropdown menu named **Config Item** (green arrow **FIGURE 8-18**).
13. Select **Serial** and then click on the **Update** button several times (blue arrow in **FIGURE 8-18**).
14. Check to ensure the sensor's usage percentage is well below 80% (marked by a purple box).
 - a. If it is not, increase the baud rate of the sensor. Change the baud rate under Serial Port Information, as shown in step 10. Check the Status again. Otherwise, the sonar will report errors.
15. When satisfied with the incoming data, press OK in the System Status window, as shown in **FIGURE 8-18**.
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.

8.3.2 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.

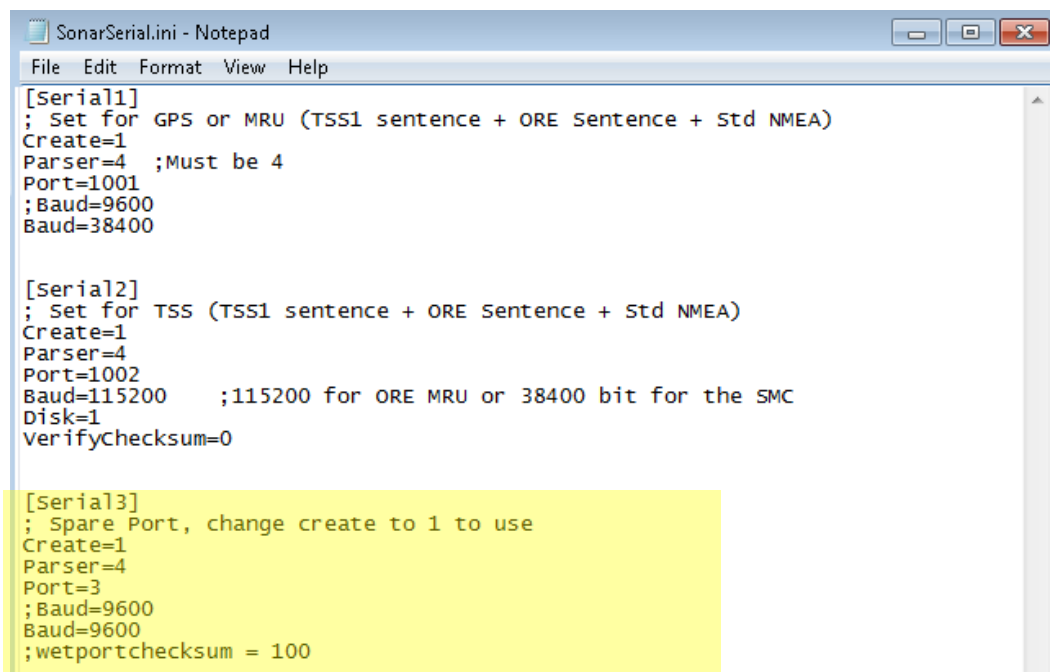
To configure the COM ports for the two sensors:

1. Follow steps 1 through 6, as stated previously under appendix sub-section, **ONE SENSOR**.
2. Under [Serial3] set Create = 0, select File > Save and close the file, as shown in **FIGURE 8-19**.

CAUTION!

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

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.



```

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

```

Figure 8-19: SonarSerial.ini File

3. Reboot the Sonar Firmware by double-clicking on the Sonar icon in the main Sonar Remote Desktop Screen, as shown in [FIGURE 8-15](#), 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 the top of the Sonar screen, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#), then **Serial Port Information**.
6. Check **COM1** and set the correct baud rate for that device using the dropdown menu shown in blue, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#). When the correct baud rate is set, the State should say **OK**, and **Errors** should not be increasing, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#), circled in green. The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#), 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, as shown circled in red in [FIGURE 8-17](#).
9. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under the **Update** button and then on the dropdown menu named **Config Item**, as shown in [FIGURE 8-18](#).
10. Select **Serial** from the dropdown menu (green arrow), then click on the **Update** button (blue arrow) several times, as shown in [FIGURE 8-18](#).
11. Check to make sure sensors' usage percentages are well below 80%, as shown in [FIGURE 8-20](#), circled in purple. If they are not, increase the 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.

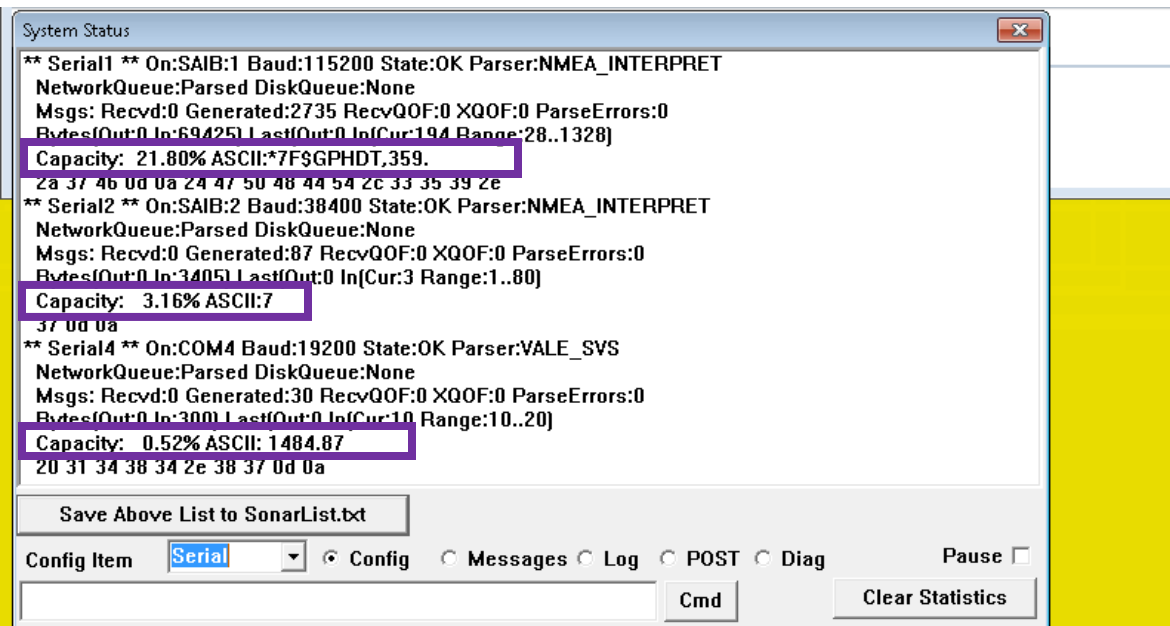


Figure 8-20: Checking Sensors' Usages

12. When satisfied with incoming data, press **OK** in the 'System Status' window, as shown in **FIGURE 8-20**.
13. Finally, close the Sonar - 192.9.0.101 - Remote Desktop Connection window.

NOTE: If this window is left open during data acquisition, you may experience a very slow computer because the Remote Desktop uses a large amount of the link capacity to stay open. It is always wise to close the Remote Desktop when finished with the configurations.

8.3.3 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.

The following steps should be carried out to configure the COM ports for the three sensors.

1. Follow steps (1.) through (6.) as stated previously under appendix sub-section **ONE SENSOR**.
2. Make sure Create=1 under each [Serial#], as shown in **FIGURE 8-21**.

```

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 8-21: All Sensors Set

3. 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, as shown in [FIGURE 8-15](#), 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 **Misc.** at the top of Sonar screen, as shown in [FIGURE 8-16](#), then **Serial Port Information**.

7. Check COM1 and set the correct baud rate for that device using the dropdown menu shown in blue, as shown in **FIGURE 8-16**. When the correct baud rate is set, the **State** should say **OK**, and **Errors** should not be increasing, as shown in **FIGURE 8-16**, circled in green. The correct data string should also be scrolling in the lower part of the window, as shown in **FIGURE 8-16**, green arrow.
8. Check COM2 and set the correct baud rate for the other device as done before in Step 6.
 - a. Remember to check COM3 as before and set the correct baud rate for GPS.
9. Click on **File > Show Status** in the sonar window, as shown in **FIGURE 8-17**, circled in red.
10. On the right-hand side of the window, click on the **Config** bullet under the **Update** button, and then on the dropdown menu named **Config Item**, as shown by the green arrow in **FIGURE 8-18**.
11. Select Serial (green arrow), then click on the Update button several times (blue arrow) in **FIGURE 8-18**.
12. Check to make sure sensors' usage percentages are well below 80%, as shown in **FIGURE 8-22**, circled in purple. If they are not, increase the 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.
13. When satisfied with incoming data, press **OK** in the 'System Status' window, as shown in **FIGURE 8-18**.
14. 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.

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System Status

```

** Serial1 ** On:SAIB:1 Baud:115200 State:OK Parser:NMEA_INTERPRET
NetworkQueue:Parsed DiskQueue:None
Msgs: Recvd:0 Generated:14317 RecvQOF:0 XQOF:0 ParseErrors:0
Bytes(Out:0 In:357744) Last(Out:0 In(Cur:166 Range:25..1250)
Capacity: 21.58% ASCII:00*7F$GPHDT,34
30 30 2a 37 46 0d 0a 24 47 50 48 44 54 2c 33 34
** Serial2 ** On:SAIB:2 Baud:38400 State:OK Parser:NMEA_INTERPRET
NetworkQueue:Parsed DiskQueue:None
Msgs: Recvd:0 Generated:459 RecvQOF:0 XQOF:0 ParseErrors:0
Bytes(Out:0 In:17590) Last(Out:0 In(Cur:6 Range:1..80)
Capacity: 3.15% ASCII:T*2F
54 2a 32 46 0d 0a
** Serial3 ** On:COM3 Baud:19200 State:OK Parser:NMEA_INTERPRET
NetworkQueue:Parsed DiskQueue:None
Msgs: Recvd:0 Generated:138 RecvQOF:0 XQOF:0 ParseErrors:0
Bytes(Out:0 In:6003) Last(Out:0 In(Cur:133 Range:5..133)
Capacity: 13.57% ASCII:,3729.997,N,1222
2c 33 37 32 39 2e 39 39 37 2c 4e 2c 31 32 32 32
** Serial4 ** On:COM4 Baud:19200 State:OK Parser:VALE_SVS
NetworkQueue:Parsed DiskQueue:None
Msgs: Recvd:0 Generated:146 RecvQOF:0 XQOF:0 ParseErrors:0
Bytes(Out:0 In:1460) Last(Out:0 In(Cur:10 Range:10..20)
Capacity: 0.52% ASCII: 1485.08
20 31 34 38 35 2e 30 38 0d 0a

```

Save Above List to SonarList.txt

Config Item **Serial** Config Messages Log POST Diag Pause

Figure 8-22: Checking all COM Ports

CAUTION!

EdgeTech recommended performing the process described in the section below through Discover, but the process below provides an alternative. Please refer to the [DISCOVER BATHYMETRY MANUAL](#) for information on how to complete this process in Discover.

8.3.4 UDP Connections

The 6205s 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.

All messages detailed in Section 3.1 can also be sent to the 6205s over the Ethernet connection via UDP. The below example shows the same configuration detailed in [FIGURE 8-23](#) 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 8-23: UDP Configuration Example

CAUTION!

EdgeTech recommended performing the process described in the section below through Discover, but the process below provides an alternative. Please refer to the [DISCOVER BATHYMETRY MANUAL](#) for information on how to complete this process in Discover.

8.3.5 Applanix POSMV Configuration

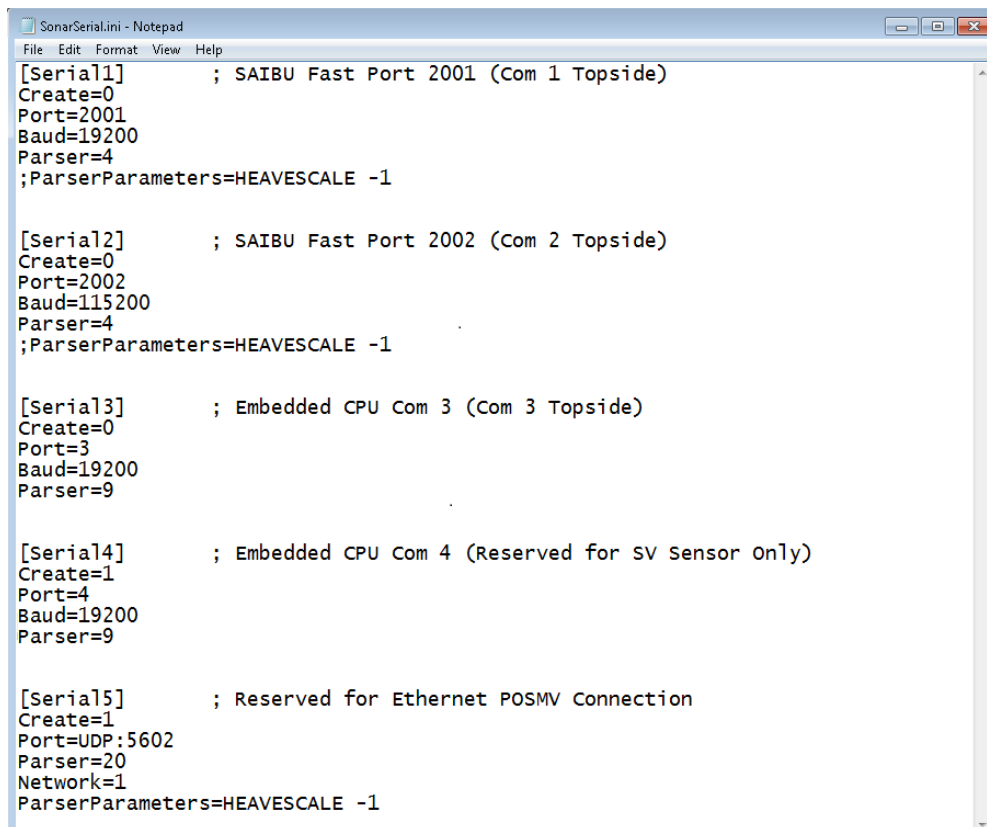
The 6205s is compatible with the POSMV system from Applanix. Follow the below steps to configure the 6205s and the POSMV for communication over the Ethernet interface via UDP.

Utilizing the Applanix POSVIEW software:

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

To configure the 6205s COM ports for the UDP messages from the POSMV:

1. Follow steps in [UDP CONNECTIONS](#).
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.



```

[Serial11]          ; SAIBU Fast Port 2001 (Com 1 Topside)
Create=0
Port=2001
Baud=19200
Parser=4
;ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1

[Serial12]          ; SAIBU Fast Port 2002 (Com 2 Topside)
Create=0
Port=2002
Baud=115200
Parser=4
;ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1

[Serial13]          ; Embedded CPU Com 3 (Com 3 Topside)
Create=0
Port=3
Baud=19200
Parser=9

[Serial14]          ; Embedded CPU Com 4 (Reserved for SV Sensor Only)
Create=1
Port=4
Baud=19200
Parser=9

[Serial15]          ; Reserved for Ethernet POSMV Connection
Create=1
Port=UDP:5602
Parser=20
Network=1
ParserParameters=HEAVESCALE -1

```

Figure 8-24: 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, that 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 that was modified above.
2. This file points the software to the correct configuration file based on the hardware's frequency set 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.

```

SonarSerial.ini - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
[Main]
ConfigFile=sonar_520B_1610.ini

[Config0]
Description=Bathymetry on 520kHz Arrays (Green Dot)
ConfigFile=sonar_520B_1610.ini

```

Figure 8-25: 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 is 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 8-26: TimeSyncSource Keyword Adjustments

7. In the [DSP0] section of this file, ensure the OnePPSInputLine keyword is set to the following: OnePPSInputLine=2. 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 configuration sets the software to utilize the time and date reference 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 received via UDP due to the inherent added latency.

When the above steps are complete, 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 embedded CPU desktop.

Once the configuration of both the 6205s and the POSMV 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 8-16](#)), 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 used to check the correct configuration of the two units. The diagnostic window, as shown in [FIGURE 8-14](#), 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](#).

8.3.6 SBG Ekinox/Apogee Configuration

The 6205s is compatible with the Ekinox / Apogee systems from SBG Systems. Follow the below steps to configure the 6205s and the SBG for communication over the Ethernet interface via UDP.

- Required: All selected outputs at the same rate, recommended 25Hz or maximum 50Hz
- Required: EKF Euler (Provides Pitch, Roll, Heading)
- Recommended: Ship Motion 0 (Provides Heave)
- Optional: Inertial Data (Provides Accelerometers)
- Required: EKF Nav (for Ekinox or Apogee if you want Edgetech GGK and VTG generated)
- Required: UTC Time

```

sonar_520B_1610.ini - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
; Main / overall settings.
; =====
[Main]
Config=2205_SS_SSLBATHY10
PulseCalFile=PulseCal1600_1600.pcf
CompressNet=0
;TimeSyncSource=POSMV_BINARY ZDA RMC GGA
TimeSyncSource=SBG

```

Figure 8-27: TimeSyncSource Keyword Adjustments

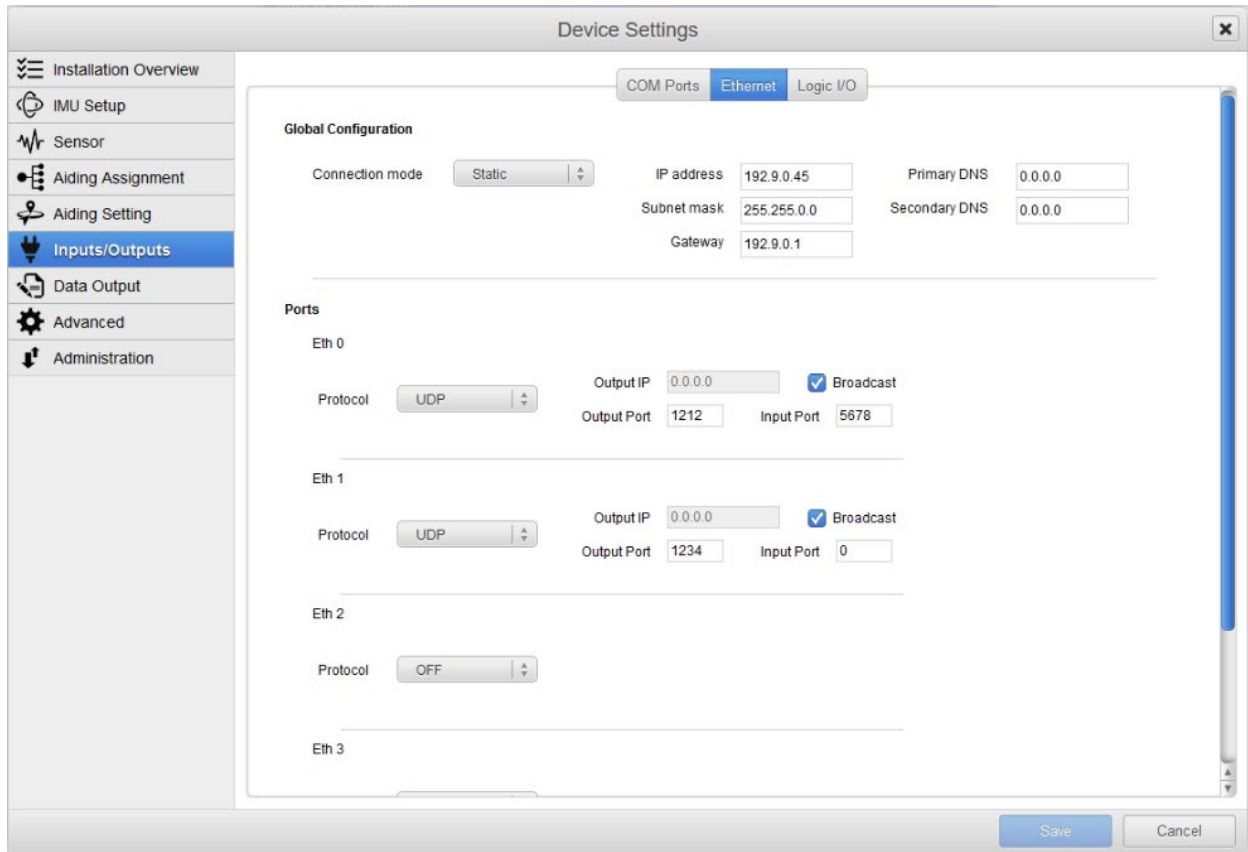


Figure 8-28: UDP broadcast settings example



Figure 8-29: Eth1 data output

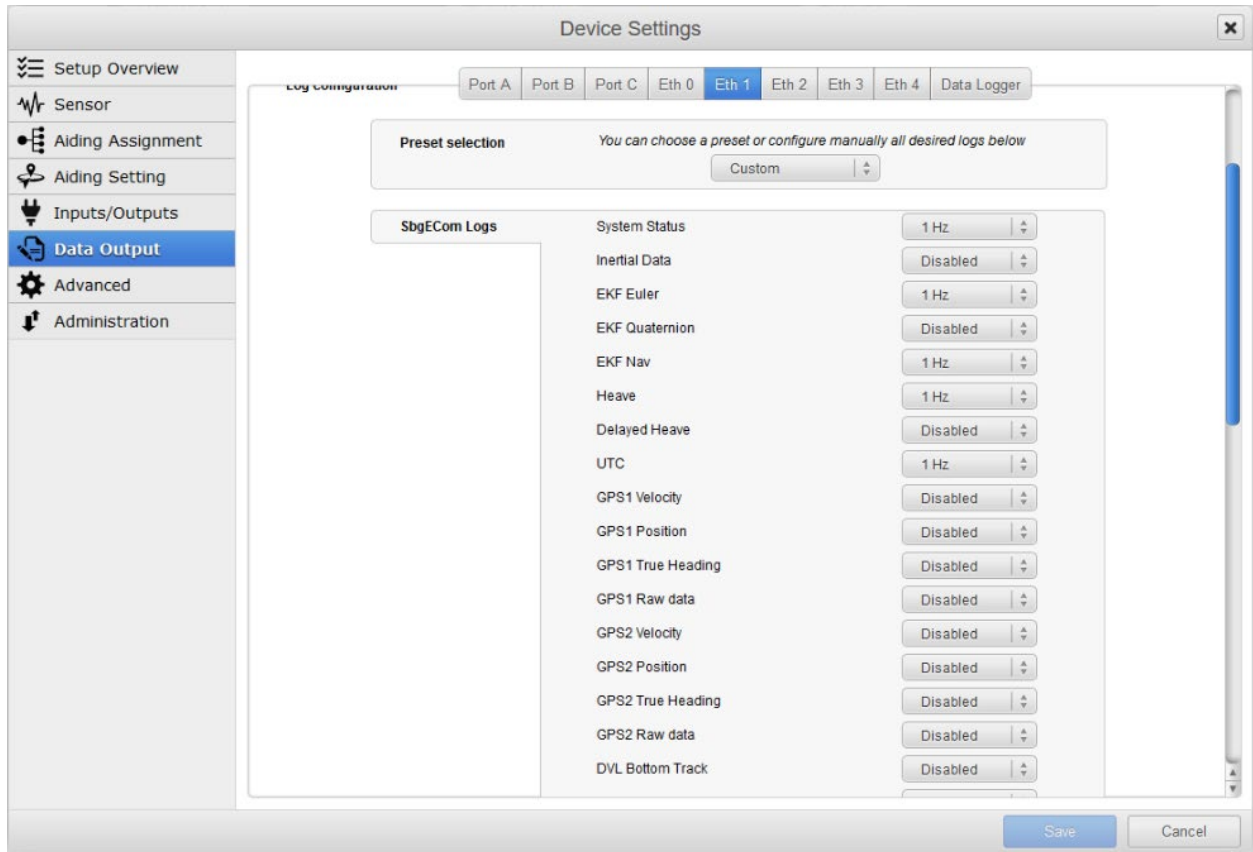


Figure 8-30: Data packets required, but at 25Hz or 50Hz, not 1Hz

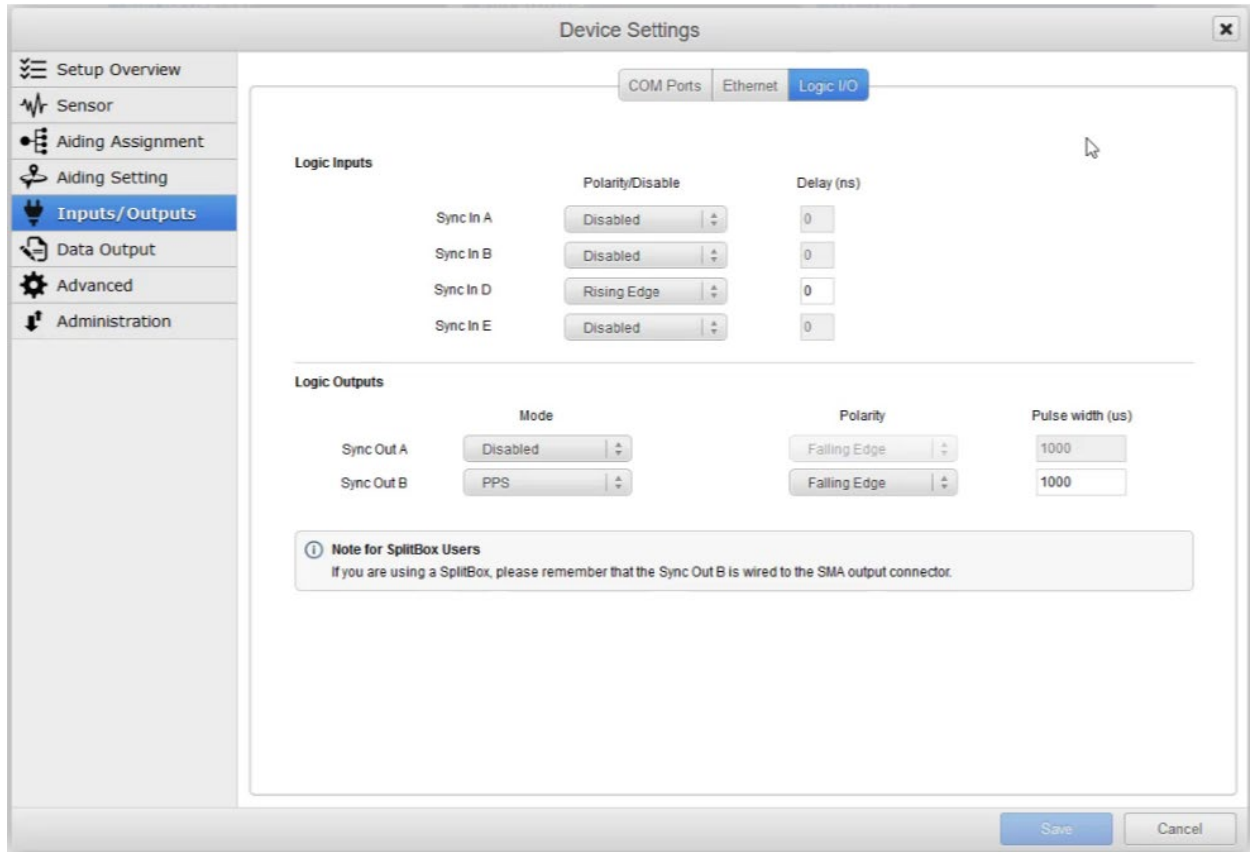



Figure 8-31: 1PPS settings example, Falling Edge and 1msec duration

8.4 SYSTEM RESTORE

This section outlines the procedures for backing up and restoring the optional EdgeTech supplied Laptop crash. If the user experiences any issues, contact **EDGETECH CUSTOMER SERVICE** immediately to help restore the system and get the survey back up and running as soon as possible.

CAUTION!

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

1. Ensure that the topside is off.
2. Insert USB3 flash drive in a blue USB3 port.
3. Start topside and be prepared to press a function key when prompted:
 - a. If the topside is rack mount, press **F11**.
 - b. If the topside is a laptop, press **F12**.
4. Under **select boot device**: By using up/down arrow keys, select **EUFi: Corsair Voyager 3.0 000A**, then press **Enter**.
5. Wait for **Paragon Backup & Recovery 14 Home** screen to appear, then click **Restore** icon.
6. On **Welcome to the Restore Wizard** screen, click **Next**.
7. On **Browse for Archive** screen, drag down menu and click on  to the left of **(E:)**. Click on the folder named as a variation of **V*.*.*_****R** for rack mounts, or **V*.*.*_****P** for laptops. When the **Archive File Details** window appears, click **Next**.
8. At **What to restore** window, click **Basic MBR Hard Disk 0**, click **Next**.
9. 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**.
10. At **Restore results** window, make no selection and click **Next**.
11. At the **Ready to restore from the archive** window, select **Yes, apply the changes physically**. Click **Next**. *Restoring will begin.*
12. At **Completing the restore wizard**, click **Finish**. Click **Shutdown**.
13. Remove the USB3 flash drive and restart the topside.

APPENDIX A: COMPATIBLE SOFTWARE

A.1 Discover Bathymetric

EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric Software provides a way to control, store, and display Bathymetric and Dual-Frequency Side Scan Sonar data. Data is presented in 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 USERS SOFTWARE MANUAL (0014678)** for a full description of its features and functions.

A.2 Third-Party Software

There are several third-party software packages that have been approved by EdgeTech to use with the 6205s 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**.

A.2.1 HYPACK

The processed bathymetry and side-scan data are 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 offline 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/>

A.2.2 SonarWiz

SonarWiz from Chesapeake Technologies Inc. is an all-in-one suite of programs for the 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 6205s Swath Bathymetry and Dual Frequency Side Scan data. The latest release also can ingest the native EdgeTech JSF files post-survey 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>

A.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: <http://www.qps.nl/display/qinsy/main>

A.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 multi-beam, backscatter, side-scan sonar, LiDAR, and single beam data. Its latest importer, released in July 2014, supports EdgeTech's bathymetry and side-scan data formats.

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

A.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, visit: <http://www.eiva.com/products/software>

A.2.6 BEAMWORX Suite

Beamworx's suite constitutes a multipurpose suite of software products for multi-beam operations. From online data acquisition (NavAq) to offline post-processing (AutoClean) and also automated Patch Test (AutoPatch), the suite is fast and friendly.

For more information on Beamworx and, visit: <http://www.beamworx.com>