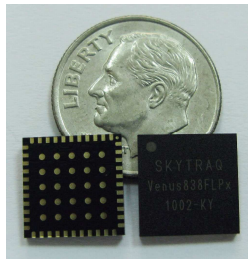


# Venus838FLPx GPS Receiver

## Data Sheet



10mmx 10mm

Venus838FLPx-L / Venus838FLPx-D

## FEATURES

- 50Hz maximum update rate
- -148dBm cold start sensitivity
- -165dBm tracking sensitivity
- 29 second cold start TTFF
- 3.5 second TTFF with AGPS
- 1 second hot start
- 2.5m accuracy
- Multipath detection and suppression
- Jamming detection and mitigation
- QZSS and SBAS support
- 7-day extended ephemeris AGPS
- Self-aided ephemeris estimation
- 74mW full power navigation
- Works directly with active or passive antenna
- Supports external SPI flash memory data logging
- Complete receiver in 10mm x 10mm x 1.3mm size
- Contains LNA, SAW Filter, TCXO, RTC Xtal, LDO
- Pb-free RoHS compliant

Venus838FLPx is a high performance, low cost, single chip GPS receiver targeting mobile consumer and cellular handset applications. It offers very low power consumption, high sensitivity, and best in class signal acquisition and time-to-first-fix performance.

Venus838FLPx contains all the necessary components of a complete GPS receiver, includes 1.2dB cascaded system NF RF front-end, GPS baseband signal processor, 0.5ppm TCXO, 32.768kHz RTC crystal, RTC LDO regulator, and passive components. It requires very low external component count and takes up only 100mm<sup>2</sup> PCB footprint.

Dedicated massive-correlator signal parameter search engine within the baseband enables rapid search of all the available satellites and acquisition of very weak signal. An advanced track engine allows weak signal tracking and positioning in harsh environments such as urban canyons and under deep foliage.

The self-contained architecture keeps GPS processing off the host and allows integration into applications with very little resource.

Venus838FLPx is very easy to use, minimizes RF layout design issues and offers very fast time to market.

| Product Series | Product Description  |
|----------------|--|
| Venus838FLPx-L | Flash version GPS receiver (internal 1.2V LDO version)<br>Suitable for lower cost application using internal 1.2V supply |
| Venus838FLPx-D | Flash version GPS receiver (external 1.2V version)<br>Suitable for lower power application using external 1.2V supply    |

# TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Receiver Type       | L1 C/A code<br>GPS QZSS SBAS<br>65-channel architecture<br>167 channel Venus 8 engine |
| Accuracy            | Position 2.5m CEP<br>Velocity 0.1m/sec<br>Timing 10ns                                 |
| Open Sky TTFF       | 29 second cold start<br>3.5 second with AGPS<br>1 second hot start                    |
| Reacquisition       | < 1s  |
| Sensitivity         | -165dBm tracking<br>-148dBm cold start  |
| Update Rate         | 1 / 2 / 4 / 5 / 8 / 10 / 20 / 25 / 40 / 50 Hz (default 1Hz)                           |
| Dynamics            | 4G  |
| Operational Limits  | Altitude < 18,000m <sup>*1</sup> , Velocity < 515m/s <sup>*1</sup>                    |
| Datum               | Default WGS-84  |
| Interface           | UART LVTTTL level   |
| Baud Rate           | 4800 / 9600 / 38400 / 115200  |
| Protocol            | NMEA-0183 V3.01, GGA, GLL, GSA, GSV, RMC, VTG, ZDA<br>SkyTraQ Binary                  |
| Main Supply Voltage | 2.8V ~ 3.6V (Venus838FLPx-L)<br>2.8V ~ 3.6V, 1.08V ~ 1.32V (Venus838FLPx-D)           |
| Backup Voltage      | 2.5V ~ 3.6V   |
| Current Consumption |   |

|                | Enhanced Acquisition       | Low Power Acquisition      | Tracking                   |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Venus838FLPx-L | 50mA @ 3.3V                | 38mA @ 3.3V                | 32mA @ 3.3V                |
| Venus838FLPx-D | 20mA @ 3.3V<br>30mA @ 1.2V | 20mA @ 3.3V<br>18mA @ 1.2V | 20mA @ 3.3V<br>12mA @ 1.2V |

Assuming 90% efficiency switch-mode 3.3V-to-1.2V regulator is used, then

|                | Enhanced Acquisition | Low Power Acquisition | Tracking    |
|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Venus838FLPx-D | 32mA @ 3.3V          | 27mA @ 3.3V           | 25mA @ 3.3V |

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Operating Temperature | -40 ~ +85 deg-C                        |
| Storage Temperature   | -40 ~ +125 deg-C                       |
| Package               | LGA69 10mm x 10mm x 1.3mm, 0.8mm pitch |

\*1: COCOM limit, either may be exceeded but not both

# BLOCK DIAGRAM

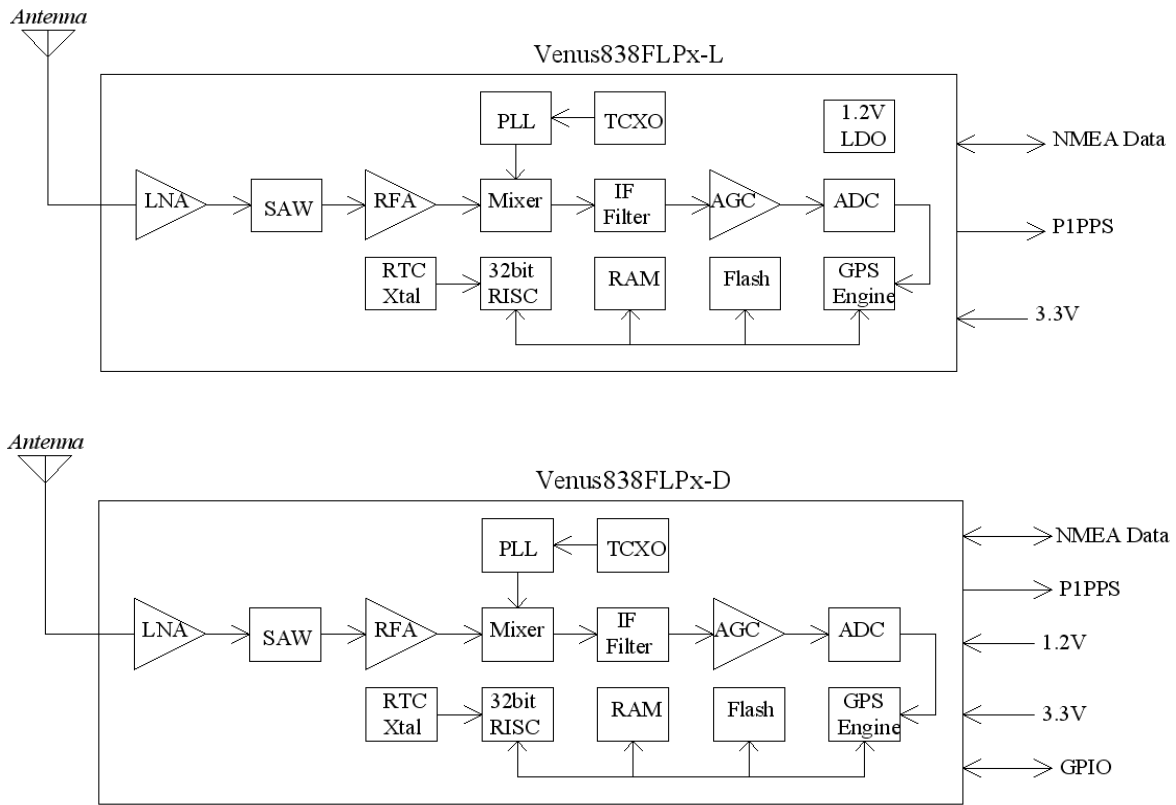


Figure-1 GPS Receiver based on Venus838FLPx

## Venus838FLPx PIN-OUT DIAGRAM

### Venus838FLPx-L / Venus838FLPx-D Top View

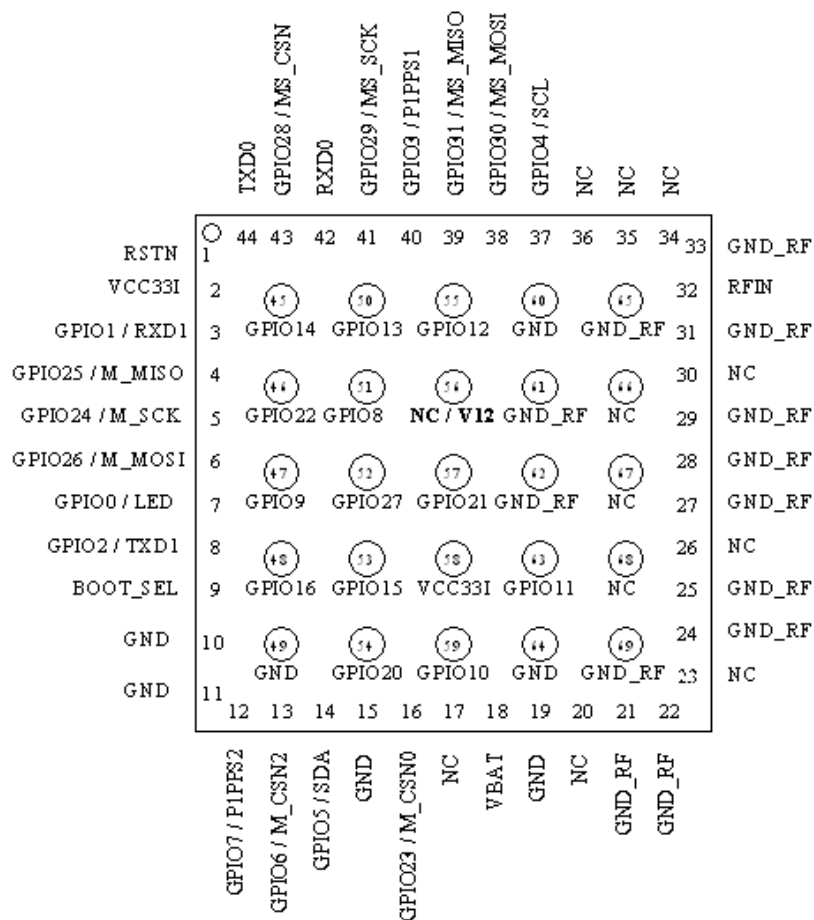


Figure-2 Venus838FLPx Pin-Out Diagram

## Venus838FLPx PIN DEFINITION

| Pin Number | Signal Name     | Type        | Description  |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| 1          | RSTN            | Input       | Active LOW reset input, 3.3V LVTTTL  |
| 2          | VCC33I          | Power Input | Main voltage supply input, 2.8V ~ 3.6V   |
| 3          | GPIO1 / RXD1    | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or receive input of the asynchronous UART port<br>Default not used   |
| 4          | GPIO25 / M_MISO | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master input<br>Default not used                              |
| 5          | GPIO24 / M_SCK  | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master clock<br>Default not used                              |
| 6          | GPIO26 / M_MOSI | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master output<br>Default not used                             |
| 7          | LED / GPIO0     | Bidir       | Navigation status indicator (default)<br>Or General purpose I/O. 3.3V LVTTTL                                 |
| 8          | GPIO2 / TXD1    | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin. 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or transmit output of the asynchronous UART port<br>Default not used |

|    |                  |             |   |
|----|------------------|-------------|---|
| 9  | BOOT_SEL         | Bidir       | Boot mode selection. Pull-high or pull-low<br>1: execute from internal Flash<br>0: execute from internal ROM<br><b>This is opposite of Venus638FLPx</b>   |
| 10 | GND              | Power       | System ground   |
| 11 | GND              | Power       | System ground   |
| 12 | GPIO7 / P1PPS2   | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Second P1PPS output<br>Default unused   |
| 13 | GPIO6 / M_CSN2   | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master chip select #2<br>Default not used  |
| 14 | GPIO5 / SDA      | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or I2C serial data<br>Default not used  |
| 15 | GND              | Power       | System ground   |
| 16 | GPIO23 / M_CSN0  | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master chip select #0<br>Default not used  |
| 17 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 18 | VBAT             | Power Input | <b>Supply voltage for internal RTC and backup SRAM, 2.5V ~ 3.6V. VBAT should be powered by non-volatile supply voltage to have optimal performance. Maximum VBAT current draw when VCC33I is removed is 35uA. If VBAT is connected to VCC33I, powered off as VCC33I power is removed, then it'll cold start every time. For applications that do not care lesser performance cold starting every time, this pin can be connected to VCC33I. Must not be left unconnected.</b> |
| 19 | GND              | Power       | System ground   |
| 20 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 21 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 22 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 23 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 24 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 25 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 26 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 27 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 28 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 29 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 30 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 31 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 32 | RFIN             | Input       | GPS signal input, connect to GPS antenna.   |
| 33 | GND_RF           | Power       | RF section system ground  |
| 34 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 35 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 36 | NC               |             | Not connected, empty pin  |
| 37 | GPIO4 / SCL      | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or I2C SCL clock<br>Default not used  |
| 38 | GPIO30 / MS_MOSI | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master/slave data output<br>Default not used   |
| 39 | GPIO31 / MS_MISO | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master/slave data input<br>Default not used  |
| 40 | P1PPS / GPIO3    | bidir       | 1 pulse per second output. Active after position fix; goes HIGH for about 4msec, 3.3V LVTTTL (default)<br>Or general purpose I/O pin  |
| 41 | GPIO29 / MS_SCK  | Output      | General purpose output pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master/slave clock<br>Default not used  |
| 42 | RXD0             | Input       | Received input of the asynchronous UART port. Used to input binary command to the GPS receiver. 3.3V LVTTTL   |
| 43 | GPIO28 / MS_CSN  | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master/slave chip select<br>Default not used   |
|    |                  |             |   |

|          |                 |             |  |
|----------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| 44       | TXD0            | Output      | Transmit output of the asynchronous UART port. Used to output standard NMEA-0183 sentence or response to input binary command. 3.3V LVTTTL |
| 45       | GPIO14          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 46       | GPIO22 / M_CSN1 | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or SPI master chip select #1<br>Default not used   |
| 47       | GPIO9           | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 48       | GPIO16          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 49       | GND             |             | System ground  |
| 50       | GPIO13          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 51       | GPIO8           | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 52       | GPIO27          | Input       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 53       | GPIO15          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 54       | GPIO20 / PWM0   | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or PWM output #0<br>Default not used   |
| 55       | GPIO12          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 56       | NC / V12        |             | NC pin for Venus838FLPx-L<br>1.2V supply input pin for Venus838FLPx-D  |
| 57       | GPIO21 / PWM1   | Output      | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Or PWM output #1<br>Default not used   |
| 58       | VCC33I          | Power Input | Main voltage supply input, 2.8V ~ 3.6V   |
| 59       | GPIO10          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 60       | GND             | Power       | System ground  |
| 61       | GND_RF          | Power       | RF section system ground   |
| 62       | GND_RF          | Power       | RF section system ground   |
| 63       | GPIO11          | Bidir       | General purpose I/O pin, 3.3V LVTTTL<br>Default not used   |
| 64       | GND             | Power       | System ground  |
| 65       | GND_RF          | Power       | RF section system ground   |
| 66,67,68 | NC              |             | Not connected, empty pin   |
| 69       | GND_RF          | Power       | RF section system ground   |

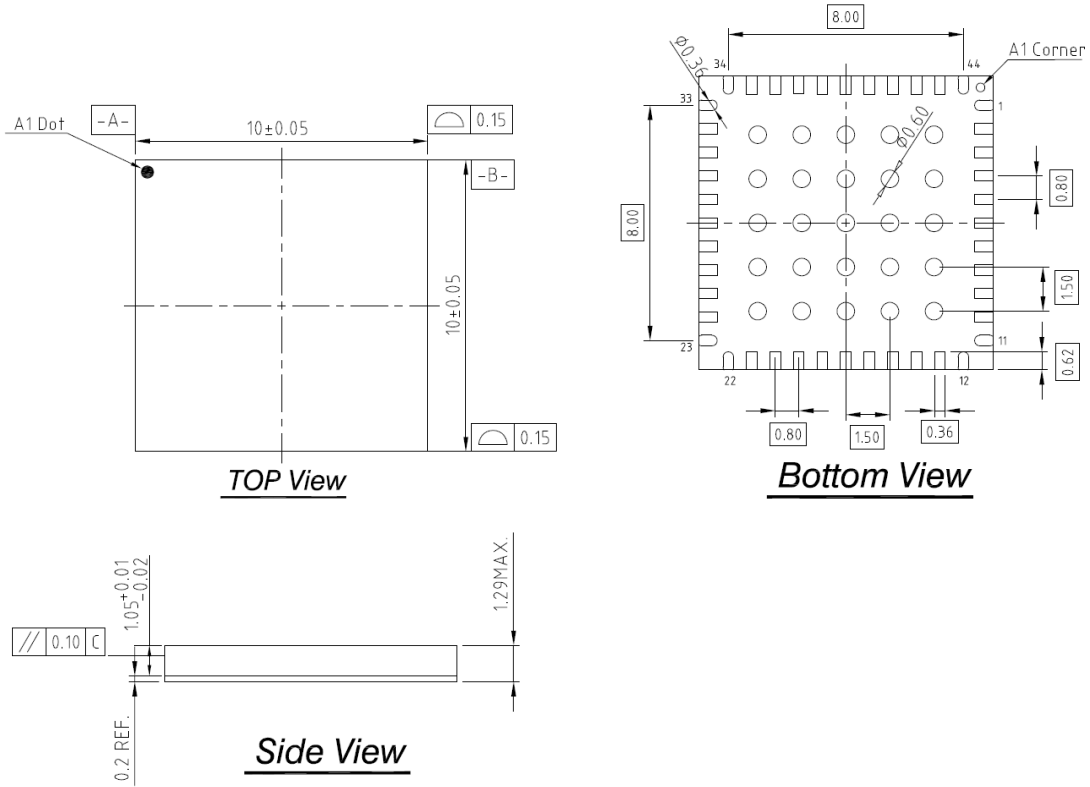
When using Venus838FLPx-L to replace Venus634FLPx, pin-45 ~ pin-69 can all be left unconnected.  
When using Venus838FLPx-D, 1.2V need to be supplied at pin-56  
The NC pins are to be left unconnected.

## DC CHARACTERISTICS OF DIGITAL INTERFACE

Below is when VCC3I is at nominally 3.3V

| Parameter   | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|---|------|------|------|-------|
| Input Low Voltage                                   |      |      | 0.8  | Volt  |
| Input High Voltage                                  | 2.0  |      |      | Volt  |
| Output Low Voltage, I <sub>ol</sub> = 4 ~ 7.8mA     |      |      | 0.4  | Volt  |
| Output High Voltage, I <sub>oh</sub> = 4.6 ~ 15.4mA | 2.4  |      |      | Volt  |

# MECHANICAL DIMENSION



# RECOMMENDED PCB FOOTPRINT

Package size = 10 mm x 10mm x1.3 mm  
 Package Pad = 15 x 21 mil  
 Package Pitch= 0.8 mm

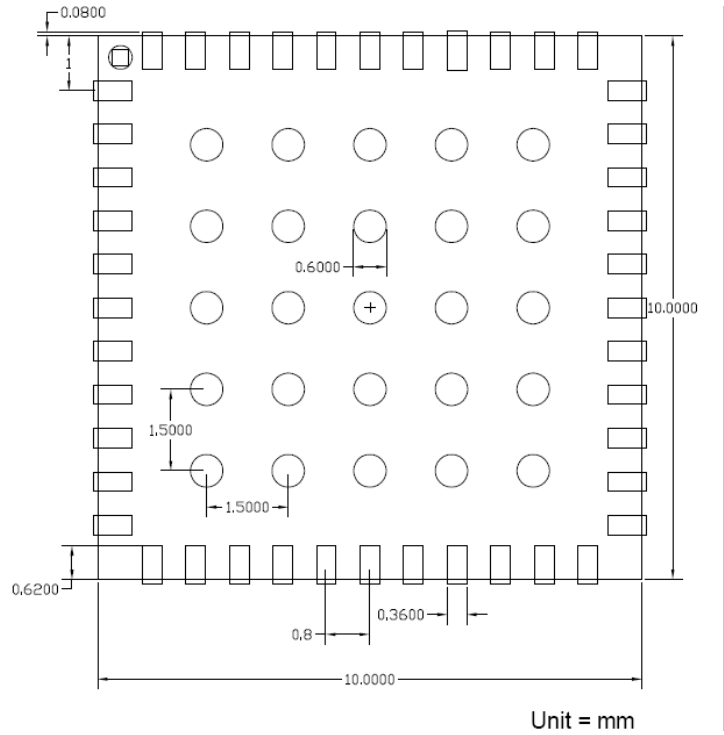
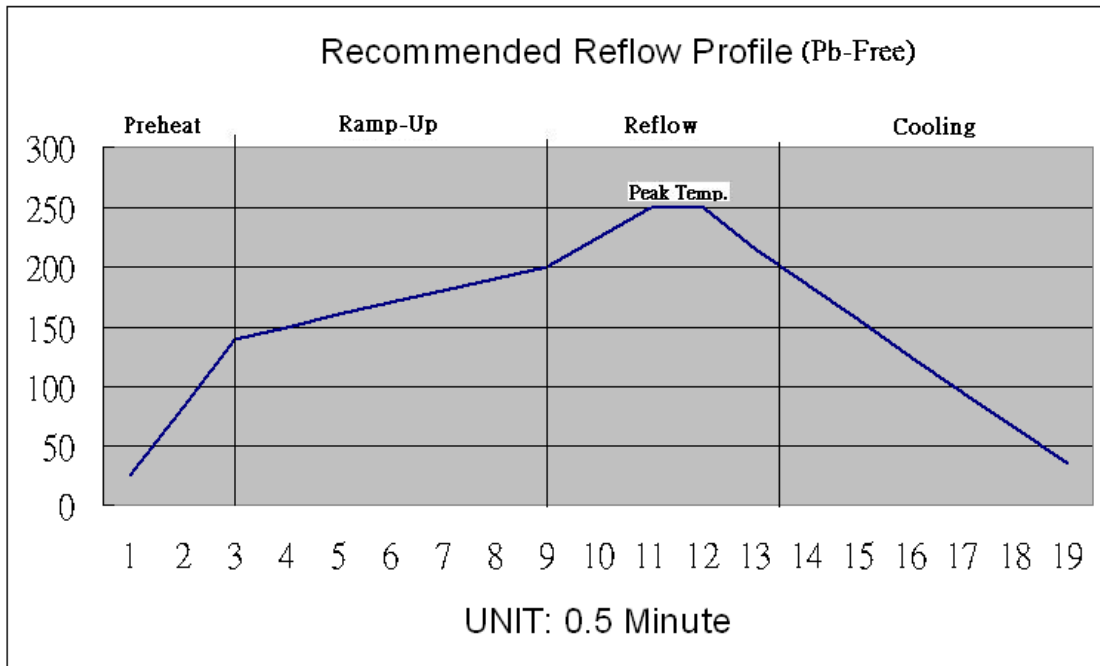


Figure-3 Recommended PCB Footprint.



# RECOMMENDED REFLOW PROFILE

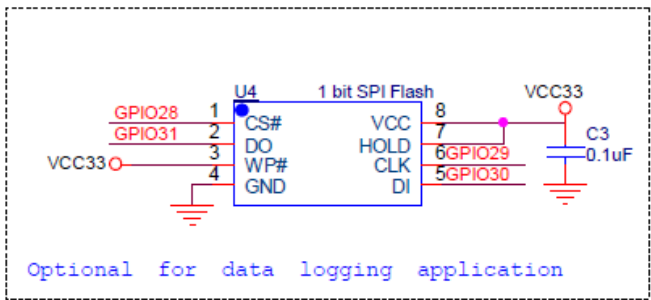
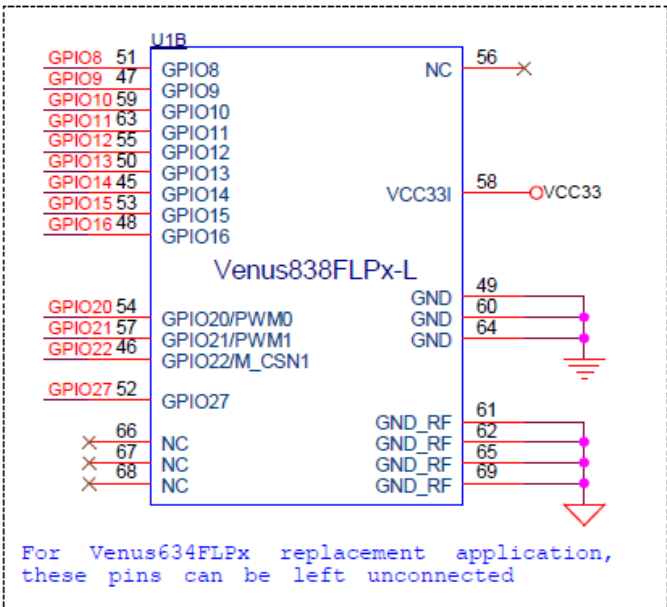
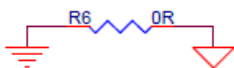
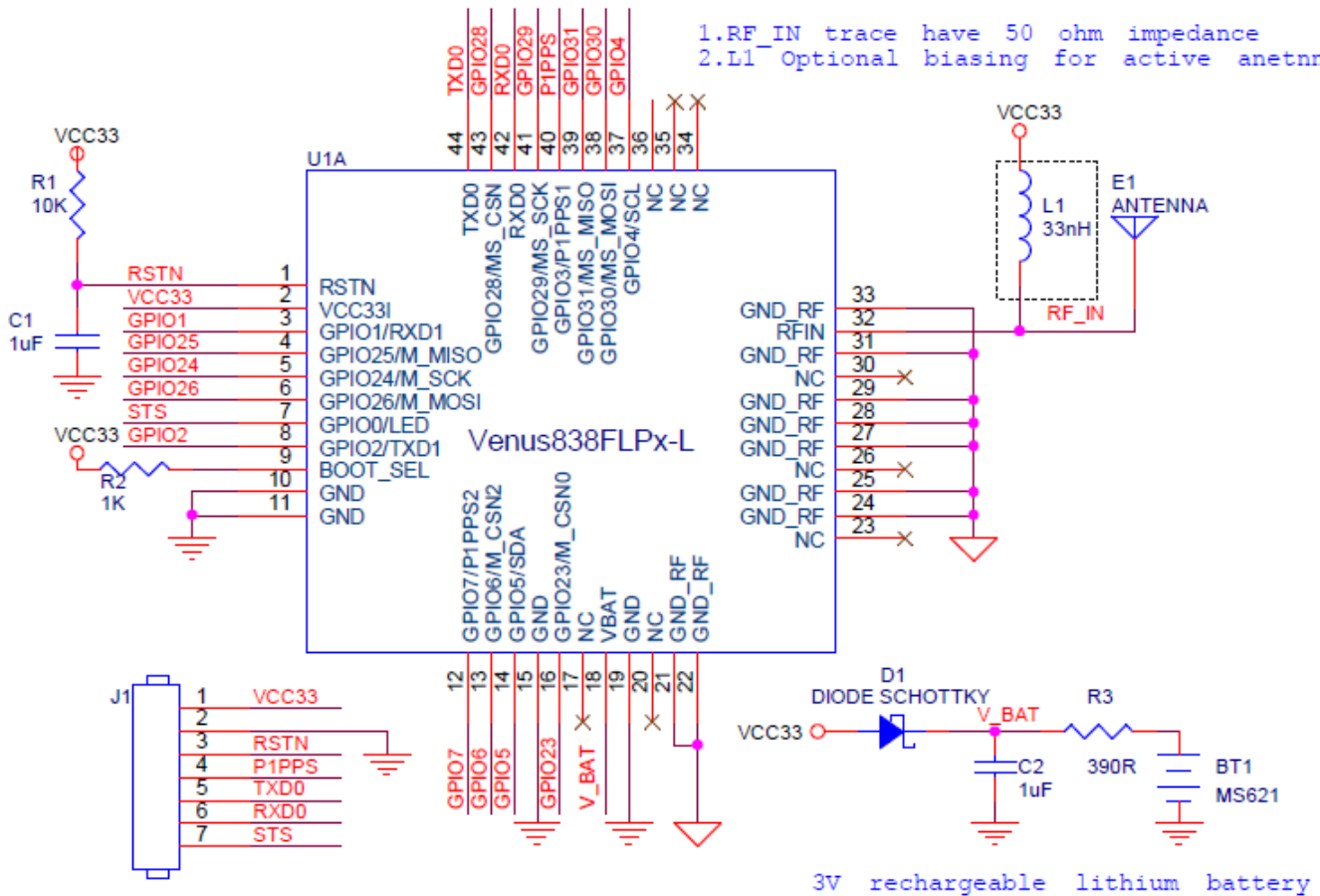


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|------------------|----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|
| Temperature (°C) | 25 | 82.5 | 140 | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 | 225 | 250 | 250 | 215 | 185 | 155 | 125 | 95 | 65  | 35 |
| Time(minute)     | 0  | 0.5  | 1   | 1.5 | 2   | 2.5 | 3   | 3.5 | 4   | 4.5 | 5   | 5.5 | 6   | 6.5 | 7   | 7.5 | 8  | 8.5 | 9  |

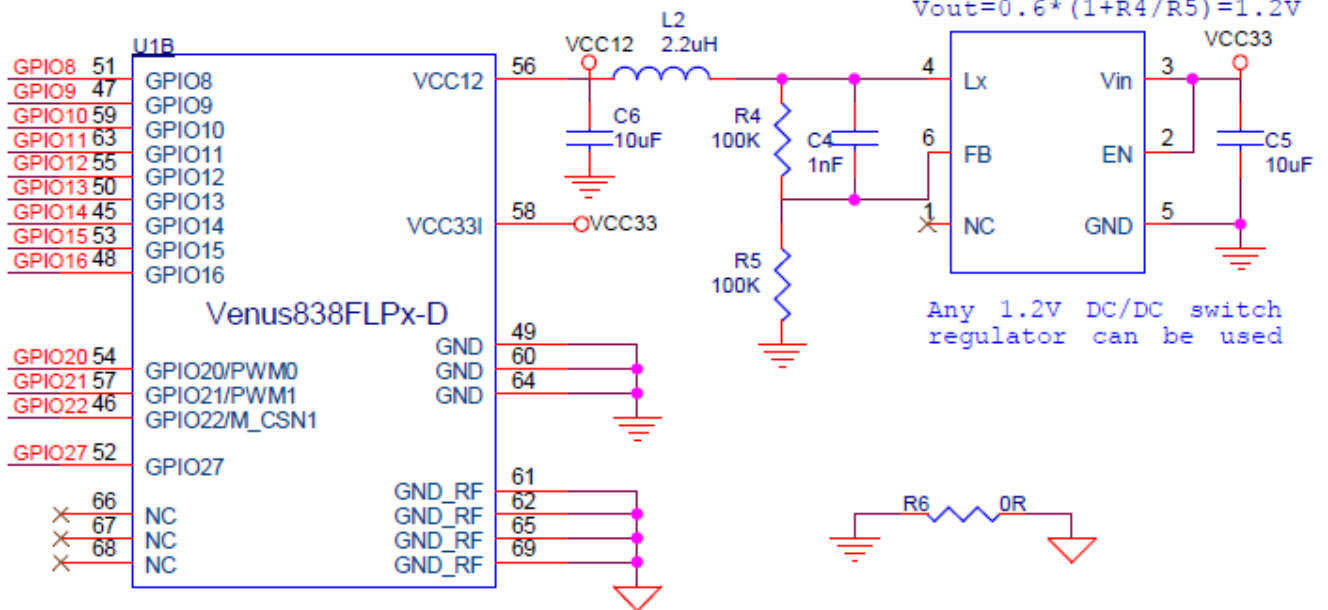
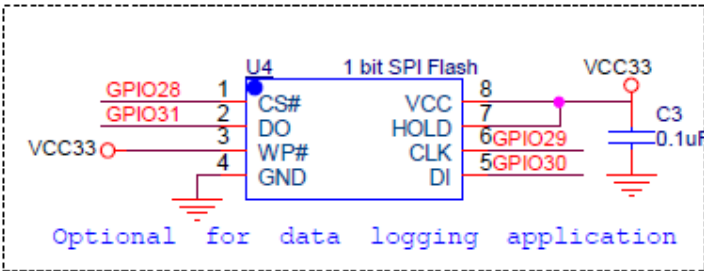
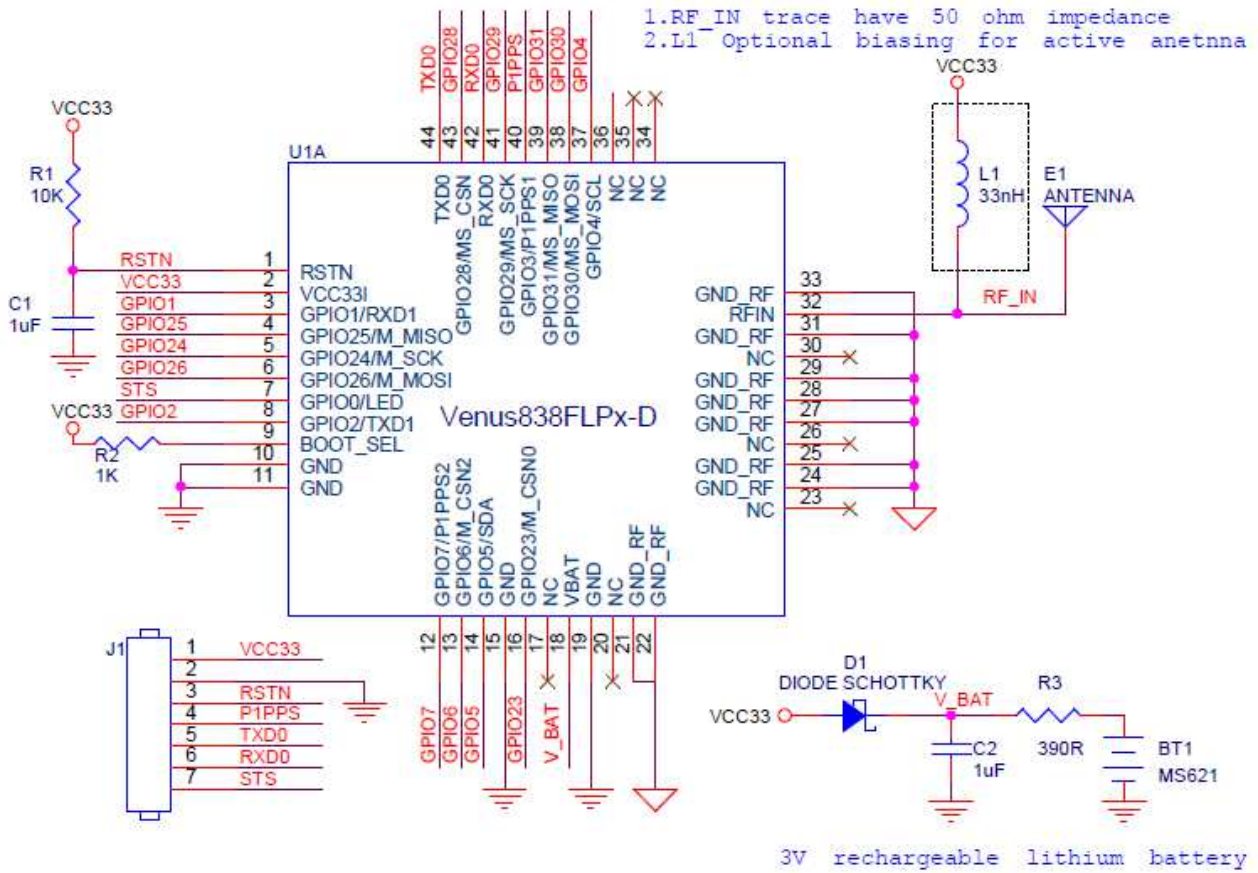
| Profile Description               | SnPb Eutectic Process | Lead Free Process |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Preheat</b>                    |                       |                   |
| Maximum Temperature               | 100+/-10 °C           | 140+/-10 °C       |
| Time(Δ T)                         | 40~60s                | 50~70s            |
| <b>Ramp-Up</b>                    |                       |                   |
| Ramp-Up Rate                      | 1 °C/s Max.           | 1 °C/s Max.       |
| Time(Δ T)                         | 120~150s              | 160~200s          |
| <b>Reflow</b>                     |                       |                   |
| Maximum Temperature               | Peak Temp.            | Peak Temp.        |
| Minimum Temperature               | 180+/-5°C             | 200+/-10°C        |
| Peak Temperature                  | 220+/-2°C             | 250+/-2°C         |
| Time(Δ T) during Peak Temp.+/-2°C | 10~30s                | 20~40s            |
| Reflow Time(Δ T)                  | 120~150s              | 120~150s          |
| <b>Cooling</b>                    |                       |                   |
| Cooling Rate                      | 1.5 °C/s Max          | 1.5 °C/s Max      |
| Time(Δ T)                         | 60~120s               | 150~180s          |

# VENUS838FLPx-L APPLICATION CIRCUIT

- 1. RF\_IN trace have 50 ohm impedance
- 2. L1 Optional biasing for active antenna



# VENUS838FLPx-D APPLICATION CIRCUIT



## APPLICATION CIRCUIT INTERFACE SIGNALS

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| STS:   | Signal to indicate GPS position status, 3.3V LVTTTL.<br>Active low for no-fix, toggle every second after position fix. |
| P1PPS: | 1 pulse per second time-mark (3.3V LVTTTL)   |
| RSTN:  | Active low reset input   |
| VCC33: | 3.3V power input   |
| RXD0:  | UART input (3.3V LVTTTL)   |
| TXD0:  | UART output (3.3V LVTTTL)  |

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

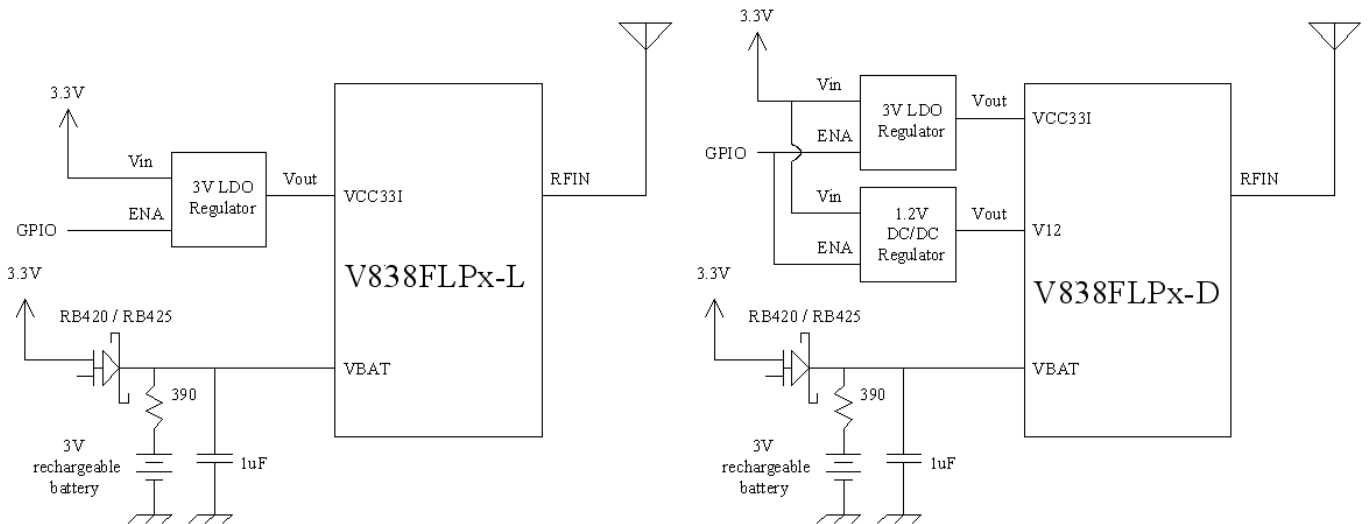
1. For fast-rising power supply, a simple series R/C reset delay to pin-1, RSTN, as indicated in the application circuit is suitable. For system having slow-rising power supply, a reset IC providing 2~5ms reset duration may be necessary.
2. The RF input of Venus838FLPx is already matched to 50-ohm. Passive antenna matched to 50-ohm can be directly applied.
3. For using Venus838FLPx with active antenna, one with gain in range of 10~30dB and noise figure < 2dB can be used. Power to the active antenna needs to be applied externally.
4. Pin-18 VBAT supplies backup power to the real-time clock and backup SRAM for fast startup. For portable applications where there is battery with voltage in range of 2.5V ~ 3.6V as the main source, the VBAT pin can be directly connected to it. If VBAT is connected to main power as pin-2, no supply voltage as Venus838FLPx is powered off, then it'll cold start every time and GPS performance will not be optimal.
5. Like BGA device, the Venus838FLPx is moisture sensitive. It needs to be handled with care to void damage from moisture absorption and SMT re-flow. The device should be baked for 24 hours at 125-degC before mounting for SMT re-flow if it has been removed from the protective seal for more than 48<sup>1</sup> hours.
6. If hot plug/remove power and UART serial interface, add at least 1K-ohm series resistor to pin-42 RXD0 and pin-44 TXD0 to improve ESD protection.
7. The supported SPI Flash memory verified for data logging application are:

| Manufacturer | Device ID   | Size   |
|--------------|-------------|--------|
| EON          | EN25F040    | 4Mbit  |
| EON          | EN25F080    | 8Mbit  |
| MXIC         | MX25L400    | 4Mbit  |
| MXIC         | MX25L800    | 8Mbit  |
| MXIC         | MX25L1605   | 16Mbit |
| MXIC         | MX25L3205   | 32Mbit |
| MXIC         | MX25L6405   | 64Mbit |
| WINBOND      | W25X40      | 4Mbit  |
| WINBOND      | W25X80      | 8Mbit  |
| WINBOND      | W25X16      | 16Mbit |
| WINBOND      | W25X32      | 32Mbit |
| WINBOND      | W25X64      | 64Mbit |
| SST          | SST25LF040  | 4Mbit  |
| SST          | SST25LF080  | 8Mbit  |
| SST          | SST25VF016  | 16Mbit |
| SST          | SST 25VF032 | 32Mbit |

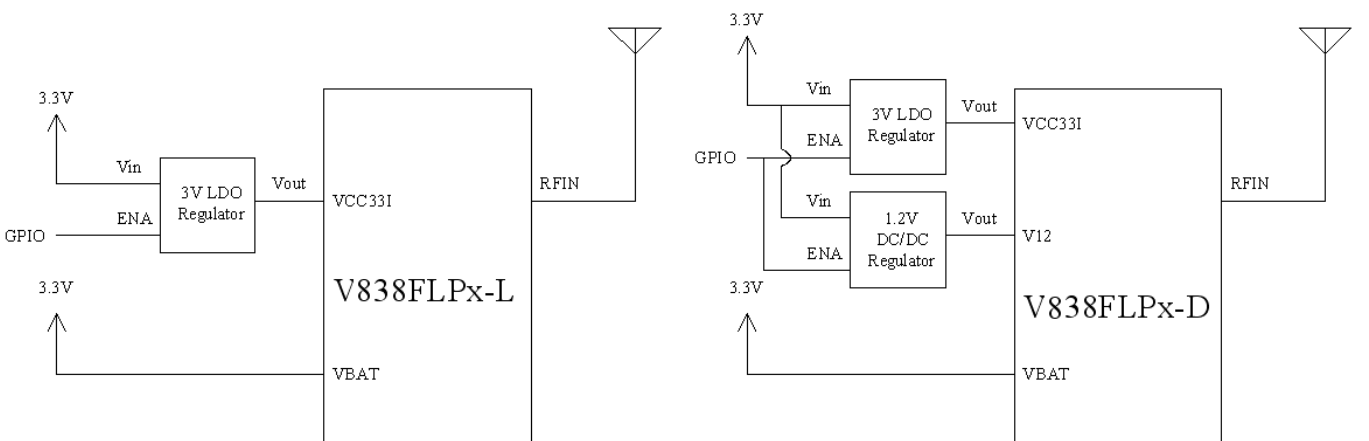
\*1: Actual will be longer, moisture sensitivity level still undergoing verification.

## SLEEP MODE

For application requiring sleep mode, it can be implemented using regulator with enable control as below figure shows. To put Venus838FLPx to sleep, the power to Venus838FLPx is cut off by disabling the regulator via host processor GPIO pin. In sleep mode, VBAT consume less than 40uA. Fast start up operation is provided by keeping supply voltage to VBAT constant, retaining the internal data and keep RTC running while Venus838FLPx is put to sleep or when supply 3.3V power is removed.

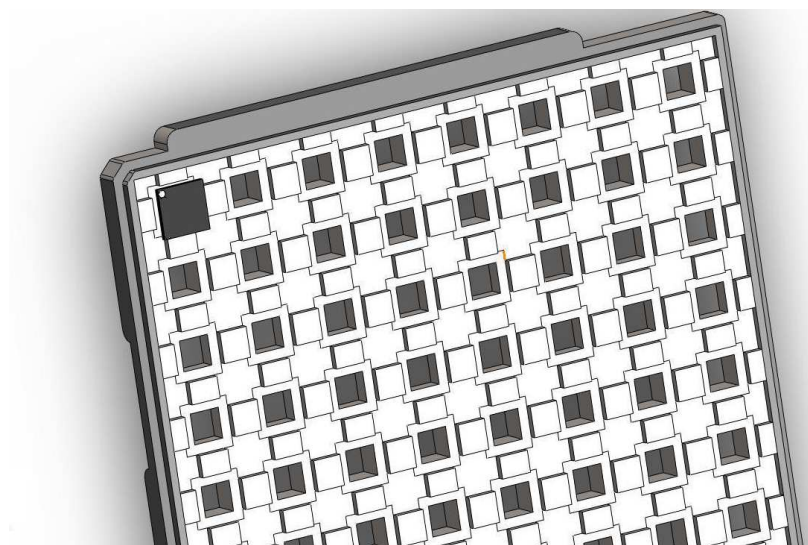
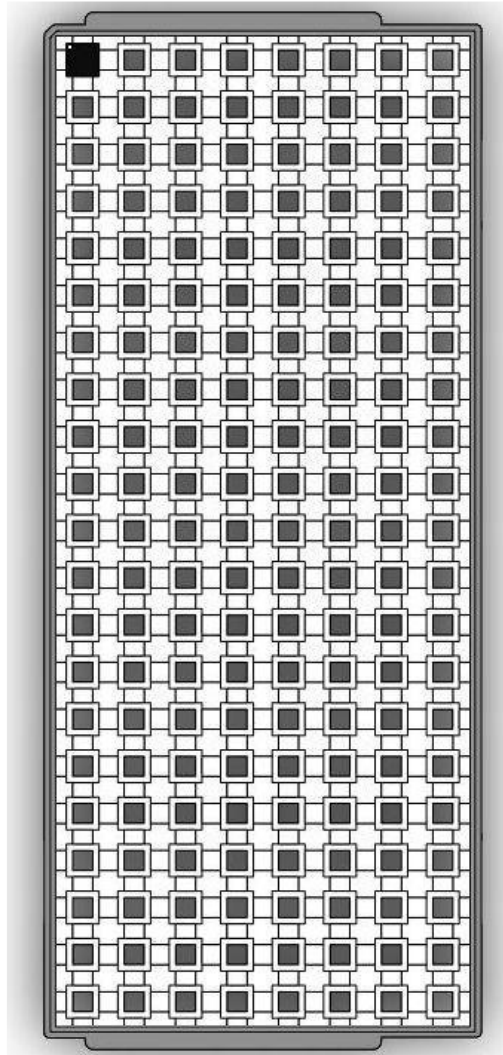


For applications needing sleep mode but cannot have extra cost of adding a rechargeable backup supply battery, it can be implemented as below figure shows. It will provide fast start up when Venus838FLPx is put to sleep and awakened, but will cold start every time when the 3.3V supply voltage is removed and re-applied again.



When using sleep mode, add 10K ~ 20K series resistor on pin-42 RXD0 to reduce leakage current.

## PACKAGE



## NMEA MESSAGES

The full descriptions of supported NMEA messages are provided at the following paragraphs.

### **GGA - Global Positioning System Fix Data**

Time, position and fix related data for a GPS receiver.

Structure:

```
$GPGGA,hhmmss.sss,ddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,x,xx,x.x,x.x,M,,,,,xxxx*hh<CR><LF>
```

1        2        3        4        5 6 7 8 9        10 11

Example:

```
$GPGGA,111636.932,2447.0949,N,12100.5223,E,1,11,0.8,118.2,M,,,,,0000*02<CR><LF>
```

| Field | Name                  | Example    | Description   |
|-------|-----------------------|------------|---|
| 1     | UTC Time              | 111636.932 | UTC of position in hhmmss.sss format, (000000.000 ~ 235959.999)   |
| 2     | Latitude              | 2447.0949  | Latitude in ddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted   |
| 3     | N/S Indicator         | N          | Latitude hemisphere indicator, 'N' = North, 'S' = South   |
| 4     | Longitude             | 12100.5223 | Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted   |
| 5     | E/W Indicator         | E          | Longitude hemisphere indicator, 'E' = East, 'W' = West  |
| 6     | GPS quality indicator | 1          | GPS quality indicator<br>0: position fix unavailable<br>1: valid position fix, SPS mode<br>2: valid position fix, differential GPS mode<br>3: GPS PPS Mode, fix valid<br>4: Real Time Kinematic. System used in RTK mode with fixed integers<br>5: Float RTK. Satellite system used in RTK mode. Floating integers<br>6: Estimated (dead reckoning) Mode<br>7: Manual Input Mode<br>8: Simulator Mode |
| 7     | Satellites Used       | 11         | Number of satellites in use, (00 ~ 12)  |
| 8     | HDOP                  | 0.8        | Horizontal dilution of precision, (00.0 ~ 99.9)   |
| 9     | Altitude              | 108.2      | mean sea level (geoid), (-9999.9 ~ 17999.9)   |
| 10    | DGPS Station ID       | 0000       | Differential reference station ID, 0000 ~ 1023<br>NULL when DGPS not used   |
| 11    | Checksum              | 02         |   |



### GLL – Latitude/Longitude

Latitude and longitude of current position, time, and status.

Structure:

\$GPGLL,ddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,hhmmss.sss,A,a\*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Example:

\$GPGLL,2447.0944,N,12100.5213,E,112609.932,A,A\*57<CR><LF>

| Field | Name           | Example    | Description  |
|-------|----------------|------------|--|
| 1     | Latitude       | 2447.0944  | Latitude in ddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted  |
| 2     | N/S Indicator  | N          | Latitude hemisphere indicator<br>'N' = North<br>'S' = South  |
| 3     | Longitude      | 12100.5213 | Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted  |
| 4     | E/W Indicator  | E          | Longitude hemisphere indicator<br>'E' = East<br>'W' = West   |
| 5     | UTC Time       | 112609.932 | UTC time in hhmmss.sss format (000000.000 ~ 235959.999)  |
| 6     | Status         | A          | Status, 'A' = Data valid, 'V' = Data not valid   |
| 7     | Mode Indicator | A          | Mode indicator<br>'N' = Data not valid<br>'A' = Autonomous mode<br>'D' = Differential mode<br>'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode<br>'M' = Manual input mode<br>'S' = Simulator mode |
| 8     | Checksum       | 57         |  |

**GSA – GNSS DOP and Active Satellites**

GPS receiver operating mode, satellites used in the navigation solution reported by the GGA or GNS sentence and DOP values.

Structure:

```
$GPGSA,A,x,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,xx,x.x,x.x,x.x*hh<CR><LF>
  1 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 5 6 7
```

Example:

```
$GPGSA,A,3,05,12,21,22,30,09,18,06,14,01,31,,1.2,0.8,0.9*36<CR><LF>
```

| Field | Name                | Example                            | Description  |
|-------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1     | Mode                | A                                  | Mode<br>'M' = Manual, forced to operate in 2D or 3D mode<br>'A' = Automatic, allowed to automatically switch 2D/3D |
| 2     | Mode                | 3                                  | Fix type<br>1 = Fix not available<br>2 = 2D<br>3 = 3D  |
| 3     | Satellite used 1~12 | 05,12,21,22,30,09,18,06,14,01,31,, | Satellite ID number, 01 to 32, of satellite used in solution, up to 12 transmitted                                 |
| 4     | PDOP                | 1.2                                | Position dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)  |
| 5     | HDOP                | 0.8                                | Horizontal dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)  |
| 6     | VDOP                | 0.9                                | Vertical dilution of precision (00.0 to 99.9)  |
| 7     | Checksum            | 36                                 |  |

**GSV – GNSS Satellites in View**

Number of satellites (SV) in view, satellite ID numbers, elevation, azimuth, and SNR value. Four satellites maximum per transmission.

Structure:

```
$GPGSV,x,x,xx,xx,xx,xxx,xx,...,xx,xx,xxx,xx *hh<CR><LF>
  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 4 5 6 7 8
```

Example:

```
$GPGSV,3,1,12,05,54,069,45,12,44,061,44,21,07,184,46,22,78,289,47*72<CR><LF>
$GPGSV,3,2,12,30,65,118,45,09,12,047,37,18,62,157,47,06,08,144,45*7C<CR><LF>
$GPGSV,3,3,12,14,39,330,42,01,06,299,38,31,30,256,44,32,36,320,47*7B<CR><LF>
```

| Field | Name               | Example | Description  |
|-------|--------------------|---------|--|
| 1     | Number of message  | 3       | Total number of GSV messages to be transmitted (1-3)           |
| 2     | Sequence number    | 1       | Sequence number of current GSV message                         |
| 3     | Satellites in view | 12      | Total number of satellites in view (00 ~ 12)                   |
| 4     | Satellite ID       | 05      | Satellite ID number, GPS: 01 ~ 32, SBAS: 33 ~ 64 (33 = PRN120) |
| 5     | Elevation          | 54      | Satellite elevation in degrees, (00 ~ 90)                      |
| 6     | Azimuth            | 069     | Satellite azimuth angle in degrees, (000 ~ 359 )               |
| 7     | SNR                | 45      | C/No in dB (00 ~ 99)<br>Null when not tracking                 |
| 8     | Checksum           | 72      |  |

## RMC – Recommended Minimum Specific GNSS Data

Time, date, position, course and speed data provided by a GNSS navigation receiver.

Structure:

```
$GPRMC,hhmmss.sss,A,dddmm.mmmm,a,dddmm.mmmm,a,x.x,x.x,ddmmy,,,a*hh<CR><LF>
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Example:

```
$GPRMC,111636.932,A,2447.0949,N,12100.5223,E,000.0,000.0,030407,,,A*61<CR><LF>
```

| Field | Name               | Example     | Description  |
|-------|--------------------|-------------|--|
| 1     | UTC time           | 0111636.932 | UTC time in hhmmss.sss format (000000.00 ~ 235959.999)   |
| 2     | Status             | A           | Status<br>'V' = Navigation receiver warning<br>'A' = Data Valid  |
| 3     | Latitude           | 2447.0949   | Latitude in dddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted   |
| 4     | N/S indicator      | N           | Latitude hemisphere indicator<br>'N' = North<br>'S' = South  |
| 5     | Longitude          | 12100.5223  | Longitude in dddmm.mmmm format<br>Leading zeros transmitted  |
| 6     | E/W Indicator      | E           | Longitude hemisphere indicator<br>'E' = East<br>'W' = West   |
| 7     | Speed over ground  | 000.0       | Speed over ground in knots (000.0 ~ 999.9)   |
| 8     | Course over ground | 000.0       | Course over ground in degrees (000.0 ~ 359.9)  |
| 9     | UTC Date           | 030407      | UTC date of position fix, ddmmyy format  |
| 10    | Mode indicator     | A           | Mode indicator<br>'N' = Data not valid<br>'A' = Autonomous mode<br>'D' = Differential mode<br>'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode<br>'M' = Manual input mode<br>'S' = Simulator mode |
| 11    | checksum           | 61          |  |

**VTG – Course Over Ground and Ground Speed**

The Actual course and speed relative to the ground.

Structure:

```
GPVTG,x.x,T,,M,x.x,N,x.x,K,a*hh<CR><LF>
    1    2    3    4 5
```

Example:

```
$GPVTG, 000.0,T,,M,000.0,N,0000.0,K,A*3D<CR><LF>
```

| Field | Name     | Example | Description   |
|-------|----------|---------|---|
| 1     | Course   | 000.0   | True course over ground in degrees (000.0 ~ 359.9)  |
| 2     | Speed    | 000.0   | Speed over ground in knots (000.0 ~ 999.9)  |
| 3     | Speed    | 0000.0  | Speed over ground in kilometers per hour (0000.0 ~ 1800.0)  |
| 4     | Mode     | A       | Mode indicator<br>'N' = not valid<br>'A' = Autonomous mode<br>'D' = Differential mode<br>'E' = Estimated (dead reckoning) mode<br>'M' = Manual input mode<br>'S' = Simulator mode |
| 5     | Checksum | 3D      |   |

## ZDA – Time & Date

UTC, day, month, year and local time zone.

Structure:

\$GPZDA,hhmmss.sss,xx,xx,xxxx,xx,xx\*hh<CR><LF>

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Example:

\$GPZDA,052633.376,13,07,2012,00,00\*51<CR><LF>

| Field | Name               | Example     | Description   |
|-------|--------------------|-------------|---|
| 1     | UTC time           | 0111636.932 | UTC time in hhmmss.sss format (000000.000 ~ 235959.999) |
| 2     | Day                | 13          | Day, 01 to 31   |
| 3     | Month              | 07          | Month, 01 to 12   |
| 4     | Year               | 2012        | Year in yyyy format                                     |
| 5     | Local zone hours   | 00          | Local zone hours, 00 to +/- 13 hrs                      |
| 6     | Local zone minutes | 00          | Local zone minutes, 00 to +59                           |
| 7     | checksum           | 51          |   |

## ORDERING INFORMATION

| Part Number    | Description  |
|----------------|--|
| Venus838FLPx-L | Flash version GPS receiver (internal 1.2V LDO version) |
| Venus838FLPx-D | Flash version GPS receiver (external 1.2V version)     |

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1. Pin-36 changed to NC

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2. Updated DC characteristics
3. Added ZDA

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1. Fixed RF input schematic error
2. Updated VBAT description

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