



# **SPECIFICATIONS**

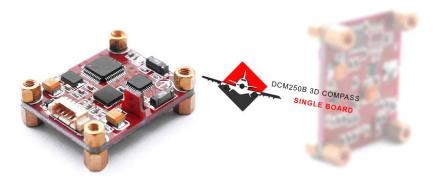
Item No.: DCM250B

Description: High Accuracy 3D Digital Compass(Single Board)

Version: Ver.07

### **Production implementation standard reference**

- Enterprise quality system standards: ISO9001: 2008 standard (certification number: 128101)
- Tilt sensor production standards: GB / T 191 SJ 20873-2003 inclinometer general specification of Level
- Gyro accelerometer test standard: QJ 2318-92 Gyro accelerometer test methods
- Software development reference standard: GJB 2786A-2009 military software development General requirements
- Product environmental testing standards: GJB150
- Electromagnetic anti-interference test standards: GB / T 17626



#### **General Description**

DCM250B is a low-cost 3D electronic compass (Single board), using USA patented technology of hard magnetic and soft magnetic calibration algorithm, make the compass eliminate the magnetic influence through calibration algorithm in the magnetic interference environment, DCM250B integrated three-axis fluxgate sensor, in real time solver heading through the central processor, and using 3-axis accelerometer to proceed heading compensation for the wide range tilt angle, to ensure the compass still can provide high-precision heading data when the tilt angle up to ±85°. Electronic compass integrated high-precision MCU control, various output mode, standard interfaces including RS232/RS485/TTL and other interfaces, and accept other communication interface customization.

DCM250B with small size, low power consumption, can be used for the antenna stability, vehicles, systems integration and other more fields, high shock resistance, high reliability makes the compass work properly in extremely harsh environments, and is more suitable for nowadays miniaturization military high-precision measurement integrated control system.

#### **Features:**

•Heading accuracy: 0.8°

•Tilt angle resolution: 0.1°

•Wide temperature : -40°C ~+85°C

With hard magnetic ,soft magnetic and angle compensation
 DC 5V power supply

•Standard RS232/RS485/TTL output interface

•Tilt angle measuring range :±85°

Tilt angle accuracy: 0.2°

•Size: L33×W27×H8mm

• accept other functions customized

#### **Application:**

- •Satellite antenna search satellite
- •GPS integrated navigation
- •Gun emission system
- Laser range finder
- •ROV underwater robot navigation
- Special occasion robot

- Marine navigation surveying and mapping
- Antenna servo control
- Infrared imager
- Map for plotter
- Oceanography measurement instruments
- Unmanned aircraft



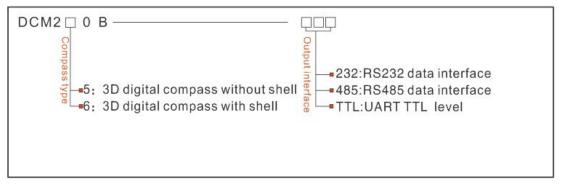
## **Electrical Characteristics**

DCM250B Technical Data					
		0.8° tilt <10°			
Compass heading		1.5° tilt <30°			
	The best heading accuracy	2.0° tilt <40°			
parameter		3.0° tilt <70°			
	Resolution	0.1°			
		0.1°<15° (Measuring range)			
		0.2°<30°(Measuring range)			
	Pitch accuracy	0.3°<60° (Measuring range)			
		0.4°<90° (Measuring range)			
	Pitch tilt range	±85°			
		0.1°<15°(Measuring range)			
Compass tilt		0.2°<30°(Measuring range)			
parameter	Roll accuracy	0.3°<60°(Measuring range)			
		0.4°<90°(Measuring range)			
	Roll tilt range	±85°			
	Resolution	0.1°			
	The best compensation angle range of compass tilt	<40°			
	Hard iron calibration	Yes			
	Soft iron calibration	No			
Calibration	Magnetic field interference calibration method	Plane rotation in a circle (2D calibration)			
		,			
	Dimension	L33×W27×H8mm			
Physical features	Weight	20g			
	RS-232/RS485/TTL interface	5PINconnector			
	Start delay	<50MS			
Interface features	Maximum output rate	20Hz/s			
interiace reaction	Communication rate	2400 到 19200baud			
	Output format	Binary high performance protocol			
	Power supply	(Default) DC+5V			
	т ожет обрргу	(Customized) DC9~36V			
Power	Current(Maximum)	45mA			
	ldeal mode	35mA			
	Sleep Mode	TBD			
Enviroment	Operating range	-40℃~+85℃			
Enviroment	Storage temperature	-40℃~+100℃			

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Electromagnetic compatibility	Resistance shock performance According to EN610	2500g 00 and GBT17626	
MTBF	≥40000 hours/times		
Insulation resistance	≥100M		
Shock resistance	100g@11ms、3Times/Axis(half sinusoid)		
Anti-vibration	10grms√10∼1000Hz		
Weight	30g(without cable)		

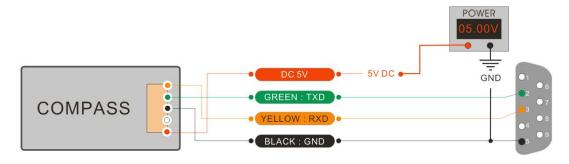
## **Ordering information:**



E.g: DCM250B-232: 3D without enclosure sealed/RS232 output

#### **Electrical Connection**

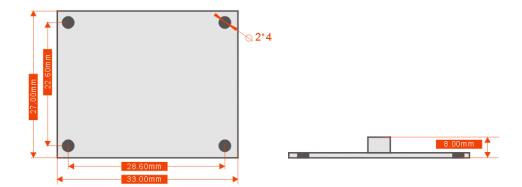
Line	PIN1	PIN2	PIN3	PIN4	PIN5
color	RED	N/C	BLACK	GREEN	YELLOW
function	Vcc 5V		GND	RS232(TXD)	RS232(RXD)
	Power supply		Power Negative	Or RS485(D-)	Or RS485(D+)
	Positive				



#### **Accessories**



#### **Dimension:**

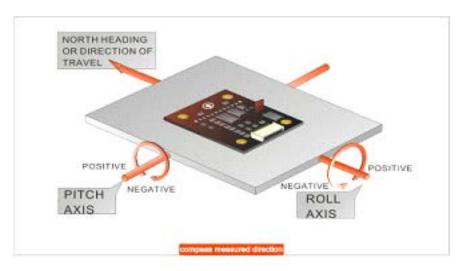


## **DCM250B Measuring Directions&Fix**

The DCM250B 3D electronic compass azimuth is using geomagnetic principle, so it is very important to select a minimum magnetic interference environment for installation positon. Please place and install the DCM250B away from the iron, magnets, engines and other magnetic objects as much possible as you can. Need control over 40CM distance(different magnetic interfere with the compass in different distance) at least even there are these magnetic medium around. In order to ensure optimal measurement environment please must use the **M2 anti-interference screws for installation**.

Although DCM250B can compensate the moderate deviation in the stable magnetic environment, but it can not compensate the changed magnetic interference. Please pay much attention to the wire with DC will generates a magnetic field , because if the DC change then the magnetic field will also change in size . The battery also is another interference source of changing . Each installation is different, and the user must evaluate the feasibility of installation under all possible operating environment.

The optimal heading accuracy of DCM250B can reach 1 °, this undergo a rigorous validation indisputable, the most scientific test method is equally crucial. The test method we recommend is: Please install the DCM250B electronic compass to a vertical and erect aluminum pole (non-magnetic material), then proceed with heading accuracy measurement (of course the rotating rod perpendicular to the rotating platform, as much as possible to avoid large external magnetic field interference). Doing so can reduce the compass turning radius, to scientifically improve the measurement accuracy. This is just to provide the installation of the laboratory, must be flexible to deal with the specific situation.E.g. is mounted in the car, DCM250B should do its installation in the perpendicular to the movement direction.

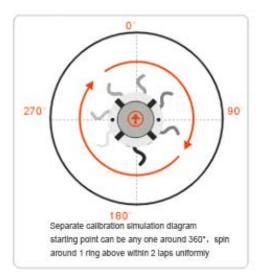


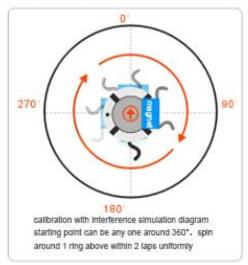
#### **DCM250B Calibration methods:**

#### **Calibration lemmas:**

- 1) The accuracy of testing compass can not reach the requirements;
- 2) compass installation environment have magnetic interference, the interference is fixed, and the interference magnetic field and compass installation will not happen again in distance changes (example: compass to be installed above an iron material, because the iron will have magnetic interference, at this time then need to rotate and calibrate the iron and compass, and the iron and compass will not be separated when using, once they are separated then need to recalibrate. If the iron size is not fixed, or with a compass distance change is not fixed, the interference can not be calibrated, only can install it in a very far away, safe distance control in above 40cm).
- 1) Please horizontally place the compass to a flat surface away from the interference, and correctly connected to the RS232 communication port, turn on the power.
- 2) Send the calibration start command: 68 04 00 08 0C in hexadecimal format. (**Or click the Rion's 3D debugging software "CALI-START" button)**
- 3) DCM compass will return the response command.
- 4) Rotate the compass from 0  $^{\circ}$  to 360  $^{\circ}$  in a circle at original position , then proceed the magnetic field data acquisition surround the compass(rotational speed should not too fast , control more than 40 seconds / turn.)
- 5) After back to 0 °,re-send stop calibration command: 68 04 00 0A 0E in hexadecimal format, calibration success (or click Rion's 3D the debug software "CALI-SAVE" button)

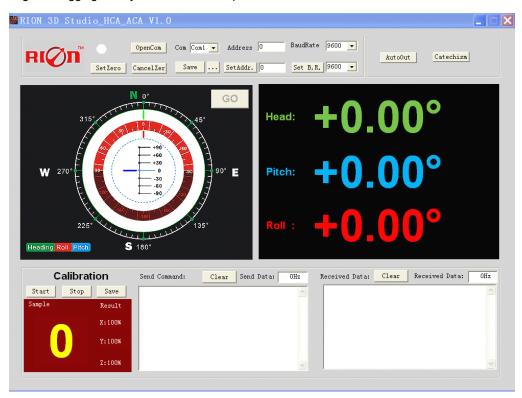
Note: If the compass is fixed install in other devices, the devices have magnetic interference, after compass to be installed, then rotate it with supporting devices together, to collect the interference source of the supporting products, to ensure the compass with a accurate measurement.





#### **RION's 3D Software**

You can download the RION angle debugging software from RION's official website for the preliminary angle debugging, also you Can download public version of the comassistant software on line for using .



Open/Close: Open and close COM port;

Com: Select the the device corresponding to the COM port

Address: Fill in the sensor current address code, the factory default is 00

Set Address: Set the sensor address code input box on the right to enter the desired address code, click Set Addr button

Save Data: Save the data, click here data can be synchronized Save angle data, the file is stored by default in the C: ---- COMDATA file

Set Zero: Set relative zero, the sensor current angle is 00.00 degrees

Cancel Zero: Unset the relative zero, to restore the sensor to the factory absolute zero;

Baud Rate: Select the sense baud rate, the factory default is 9600;

Set Baud Rate: Set the sensor baud rate, on the right of the selection box to select corresponding baud rate then click SetB.R. button;

Auto Output: Switch the sensor to automatically output mode, in the automatic output mode can be filled with different output frequency in Hz;

Catechism: The sensor switch to answer pattern, such as choosing the answer type, must input "send command "( command, please refer to the specification ) on the left of "Send Command" input box, but also can fill in the transmit frequency in the Send Data, the unit Hz;

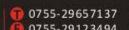
Mag. Dec.: Magnetic declination setting, in the right box directly enter the local magnetic declination, click "Mag.Dec." Button to confirm .

Calibration: compass calibration forum

Start: Start calibration

Save: stop calibration and save data. (Specific calibration method please refer to this specification





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calibration description)

Note: after install the RION's debugging software, if can not open, please operate by the following steps ( please appear to the administrator status to operate ):

- 1) Copy these three files mscomm.srg、mscomm32.ocx、mscomm32.dep from the folder to C:/Windows/system32 path below。
- 2) Click "Start" "run" --regsvr32 mscomm32.ocx, You are prompted to install successful dialog.

#### **Product Protocol**

- DATA FRAME FORMAT: ((8 bits date, 1 bit stop, No check, Default baud rate 9600)

Identifier	Date Length	Address code	Command word	Date domain	Check sum
(1byte)	(1byte)	(1byte)	(1byte)		(1byte)
68					

Identifier: Fixed68H

Data length: From data length to check sum (including check sum) length

Address code: Accumulating module address, Default:00

Date domain will be changed according to the content and length of command word

Check sum: Data length, Address code, Command word and data domain sum, No carry.

#### ☐ COMMAND word analysis

Desc.	Meaning/Example	Description
0X04	Meanwhile read Pitch、Roll、	Data domain (0byte)
	Heading	No Data domain command
	Angle command <i>68 04 00 04 08</i>	
0X84	Sensor answer reply	Data domain (9byte)
	E.g:	AA AB BB CC CD DD EE EF FF
	68 13 00 84 00 10 50 10 10 05 01	AA AB BB:3 Characters is Pitch Axis
	04 01 22	CC CD DD:3 Characters is Roll Axis
		EE EF FF: 3 Characters is Heading
		Angle format with same analytic method as Pitch Roll
		Heading
		On the left example , the angle is : Pitch:
		+010.50°,Roll:-010.05°, Heading+104.01°
0X06	Setting declination command	Data domain(2byte) SA AB
	68 06 00 06 02 08 16	S is symbol 0 positive 1 negative
		AA: two digits integer, B: two digits decimals
		E.g: 02 08 is +20.8 deg
0X86	Sensor answer reply	Data domain (1byte)
02100	E.g: <b>68 08 00 86 00 8E</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response
	g. = 35 = 55 = 5	result
		00 Setting successfully
		FF Setting failure
0X07	Read declination command	Data domain (0byte)
	68 04 00 07 0b	No Data domain command
0X87	Sensor answer reply	Data do (2byte)
	E.g: <b>68 06 00 87 02 08 97</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response
		result
0X08	Start calibration command	Data domain (0byte)
	68 04 00 08 0C	No Data domain command

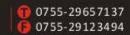
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0X88	Songer anguer rooks	Data domain (1byto)		
0.100	Sensor answer reply	Data domain (1byte)		
	E.g: <b>68 05 00 88 00 8D</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response		
		result 00 Start success FF Start failure		
OXOA	Save calibration command			
		Data domain (0byte)		
	68 05 00 8A 00 8F	No Data domain command		
	Sensor answer reply command	Data domain (1byte)		
	E.g: <b>68 05 00 8A 00 8F</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response		
		result 00 Success		
OXOB	Setting communication	FF Failure		
	Setting communication baud rate command	Data domain(1byte) Baud rate: default :9600		
	68 05 00 0B 02 12	00 means 2400		
	08 03 00 0B 02 12	01 means 4800		
		02 means 9600		
		03 means 19200		
		04 means 38400		
		05 means 115200		
0X8B	Canada analysis ranky command	00 11104110 110200		
00	Sensor answer reply command	Data domain (1byte)		
	E.g: <b>68 05 00 8B 00 90</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response result		
		00 Success FF Failure		
OXOF	Setting module address	Data domain (1byte)		
	command	XX module address, address from 00 to EF range		
	68 05 00 0F 01 15	Note: Our products have a unified address: <b>FF, If forgot</b>		
		the set address when operating ,can use the FF		
		address to operate the product, still normal		
		response.		
0X8F	Sensor answer reply command	Data domain(1byte)		
	E.g: <b>68 05 00 8F 94</b>	Data domain in the number means the sensor response		
		result		
		00 Success FF Failure		
охос	Setting angle output mode	ng angle output mode Data domain (1byte)		
	68 05 00 0C 00 11	00: answer reply mode 01: Auto output mode		
		Default : answer reply mode		
0Х8С	Sensor answer reply command	Data domain(1byte),		
	E.g:68 05 00 8C 00 91	Data domain in the number means the sensor response		
		result		
		00 Success FF Failure		



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