

# VISION-AIDED INERTIAL NAVIGATION SYSTEM

## VINS



MULTIROTOR UAV



FIXED WING UAV



VTOL UAV



VISUAL ODOMETRY



RF AIDED NAVIGATION



INERTIAL NAVIGATION



GNSS NAVIGATION



NAVIGATION IN GPS-DENIED



VISUAL NAVIGATION USING MAPPING

The **Inertial Labs Vision Aided Inertial Navigation System (VINS)** is the latest version of Inertial Navigation System, developed by Inertial Labs. **VINS** is the result of over 20 years of our experience in development of Inertial Navigation Systems solutions and Machine Vision Algorithms to be used in GPS-denied, Jamming and Spoofing Environments.

**VINS** is a MIL-STD-810 and MIL-STD-461 compliant, fully integrated, combined Inertial Navigation System (INS) + Attitude & Heading Reference System (AHRS) + Air Data Computer (ADC) high-performance strapdown system, that determines position, velocity and absolute orientation (Heading, Pitch and Roll) for Fixed-wing, VTOL and Multirotor Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. Horizontal and Vertical Position, Velocity and Orientation are determined with high accuracy for both motionless and dynamic applications, in GPS-enabled and GPS-denied environments.

**VINS** is very compact and one of the most sophisticated Navigation Solutions on the market which allows Unmanned Aerial Vehicles to accomplish very long-term missions in GNSS-challenging environments.

The **VINS** design utilizes:

- Processing Module
- Sensor Module
- GNSS or CRPA antenna
- Air Data Computer (ADC) for fixed-wing UAV
- Digital Windspeed Sensor for multirotor UAV

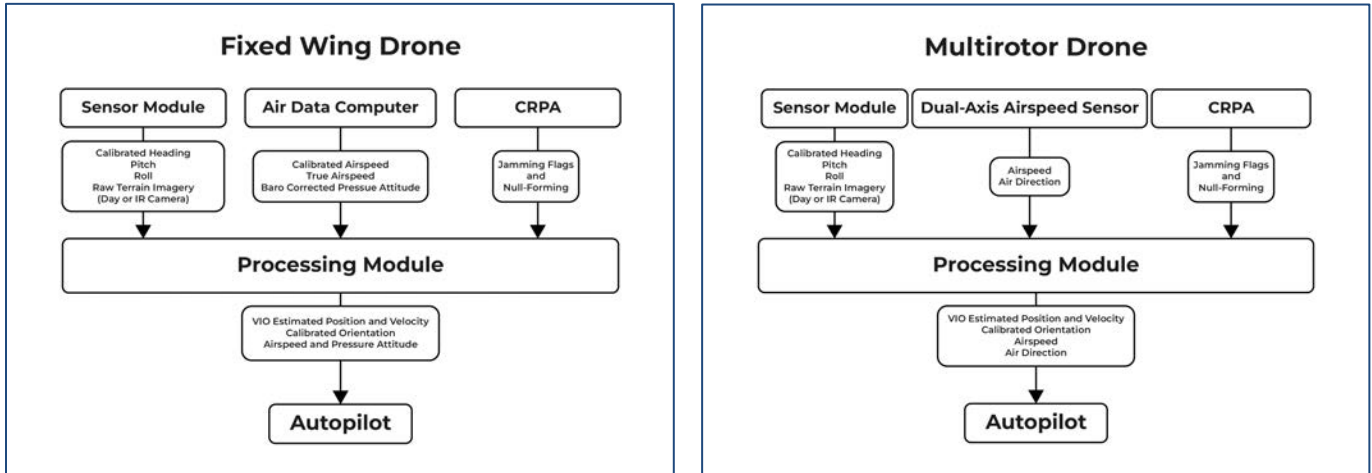
Optionally **VINS** can be equipped with:

- Radio and data link as a source of RF aiding data to improve performance of **VINS** in GPS-denied environment.
- LEO GNSS receiver (Iridium)
- M-code / SAASM GNSS Receiver



PRIMARY COMPONENTS		
#	Device Name	Device Image
1	<b>VINS Processing Module</b> - Sensor Fusion Filter - Machine Vision Algorithm - Multi-constellation and multi-band GNSS Module	
2	<b>VINS Sensor Module</b> - Day or IR Camera - Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS)	
3	<b>GNSS Antenna</b> (GPS/GLO/GAL/BDS/QZSS L1/L2/L5)	
4	<b>Air Data Computer (ADC)</b>	
5	<b>Digital Windspeed Sensor (DWS)</b>	
OPTIONAL COMPONENTS		
	<b>Anti Jamming Controlled Reception Pattern Antenna (CRPA)</b>	
	<b>RF Ranging Software Defined Radio (SDR)</b>	
	<b>M-Code / SAASM GNSS Receiver</b>	
	<b>ALTNAV Receiver</b>	

VINS Functional diagrams for use on Fixed-wing and Multirotor UAVs:



VINS main components:

### SENSOR MODULE

#### FLIR Boson+ IR Camera



- Fusion of a high precision optical camera and miniature Attitude & Heading Reference System (miniAHRS).
- $\pm 2000$  deg/sec MEMS Gyroscope.
- $\pm 40$  g MEMS Accelerometer.
- Fluxgate Magnetometer.
- Heading, Pitch & Roll.
- Up to 640 x 512 IR camera images, Boson+ Driver, interface over USB2.0.
- Camera strobe pulses (3VTTL, configurable polarity).
- Camera intrinsic calibration and alignment to the miniAHRS, accessible in camera's NVMe.

### PROCESSING MODULE



- Embedded Dual GNSS antenna, Multi-constellation and Multi-band GNSS receiver (Novatel OEM7720)
- GPS L1/L2/L5; GLO; GAL; BDS; NAVIC
- SP, SBAS, DGPS, PPP, RTK
- Jamming and spoofing mitigation
- Multiple serial ports and Ethernet
- Embedded barometric Altimeter
- IP-67 sealing rating
- MIL-STD-810 and MIL-STD-461 compliance

**AIR DATA COMPUTER**  
(for fixed wing/VTOL UAV)



- Static Pressure Over Total Pressure
- Dynamic Pressure (calibrated)
- Static Pressure (calibrated)
- Baro-Corrected Pressure
- Calibrated Airspeed
- IP-67 sealing rating
- Aiding Data Input
- True Airspeed
- Mach-Number
- Air Density

**DIGITAL WINDSPEED SENSOR**  
(for multi-rotor UAV)



- IP-67 sealing rating
- Wind speed
  - Range: 0 to 75 m/sec
  - Resolution: 0.1 m/sec
  - Accuracy:  $\pm 0.3$  m/sec
- Wind direction
  - Range: 0 to 360 deg
  - Resolution: 1 deg
  - Accuracy: 4 deg
- Pressure
  - Range: 260 – 1260 hPa
  - Resolution: 0.0001hPa
  - Accuracy:  $\pm 0.5\%$
- Altitude: 0 to 4000 meters

**GNSS ANTENNA**



- GPS L1/L2/L5, QZSS-L1/L2, QZSS-L6, GLONASS G1/G2, Galileo-E1/E6, BeiDou-B1/B3
- L-band
- Rugged IP67 rating with SMA/TNC mount
- Small form factor
- Ground Plane Independent
- Low power consumption
- Low phase center variation over azimuth and elevation and among different samples
- Ultra-lightweight

**VINS main specifications**

Parameter	GNSS-Enabled	GNSS-Denied
Horizontal Position (Visual Odometry)	1 meter	<1% DT <sup>(1)</sup>
Horizontal Position (Map Matching)	1 meter	<35 meters (RMS)
Vertical Position	<2 meters	<5 meters
Velocity	0.03 m/sec	<0.9 m/sec
Heading	0.1 deg	1 deg
Pitch & Roll	0.03 deg	0.1 deg

**VINS Minimum Altitude Operating Range (AGL, m): 100m**

**VINS Maximum Altitude Operating Range (AGL, m): Variable <sup>(2)</sup>**

**VINS general specifications**

Main Component	Weight	Size
Sensor Module (Boson+ -> IR Camera)	330 grams	83 x 100 x 80 mm
Processing Module	420 grams	80 x 45 x 134 mm
Air Data Computer	130 grams	73 x 55 x 29 mm
Digital Windspeed Sensor	252 grams	D56 x H71 mm
GNSS antenna	20 grams	D34 x H51 mm

**VINS electrical specifications:**

- Input power: 9 to 36 V DC
- Power consumption (Day Camera Sensor Module): 11 W
- Power consumption (IR Camera Sensor Module): 10 W
- Interface: RS-232, RS-422, Ethernet

**VINS Environmental Specifications (MIL-STD-810G):**

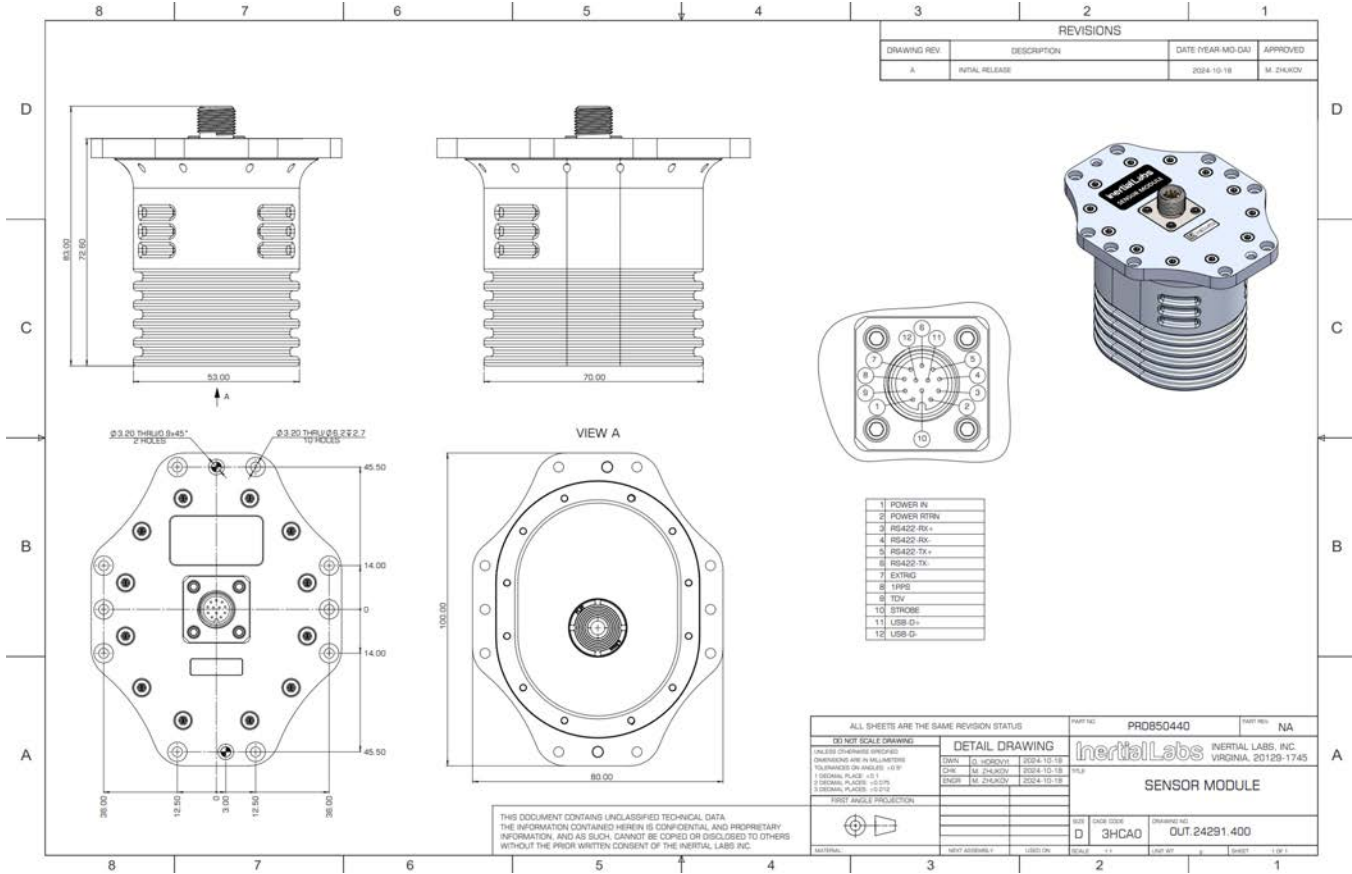
<b>Temperature Range (Operational)</b> MIL-STD-810G Method 501.5 & 502.5 Procedure II	-40°C to 85°C
<b>Vibration (Operational)</b> MIL-STD-810G Method 514.6 Procedure I (Jet Profile)	20-2000 Hz, 4g RMS
<b>Functional Shock (Operational)</b> MIL-STD-810G Method 516.6 Procedure I	20g, 11ms (Terminal Peak Sawtooth)
<b>Transportation Altitude</b> MIL-STD-810G Method 500.5. Procedure I	15,000m (1.75 psia), 1 hour

**Additional Notes:**

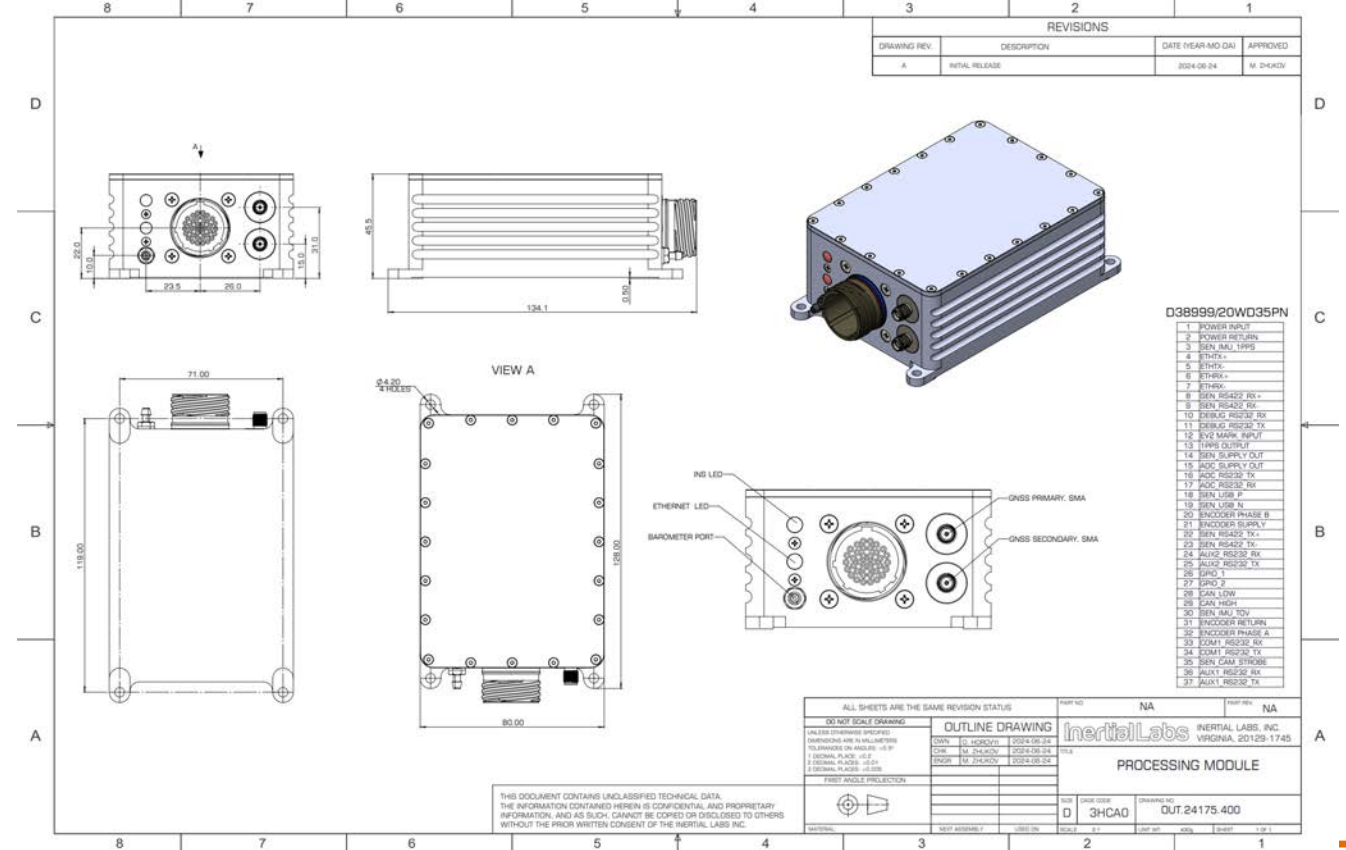
<sup>(1)</sup> The horizontal position estimation error can vary depending on multiple factors such as vehicle's operating AGL altitude, variation in ground elevation and vehicle motion path trajectory (i.e. straight-line motion will accumulate more position error than circular motion). Typical variation range in %DT error is from 0.5 – 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> The maximum operating range varies based on observability of the ground, which is impacted by environmental factors such as cloud cover.

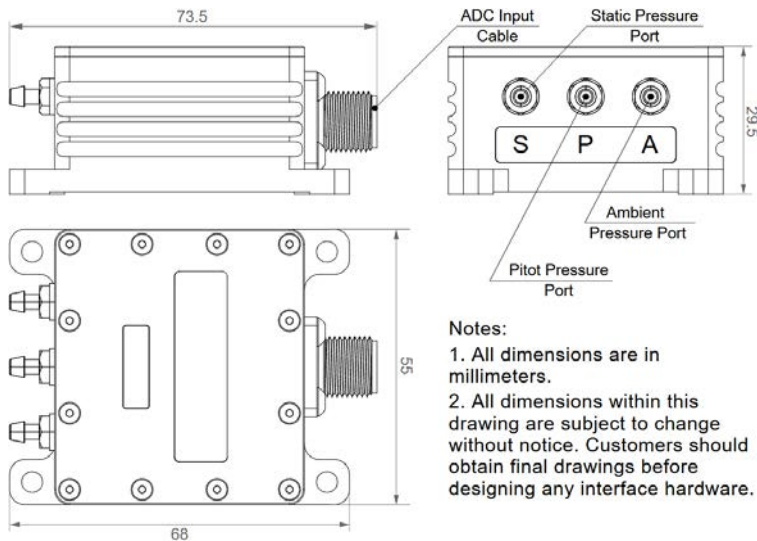
**Sensor Module (IR Camera Option):**



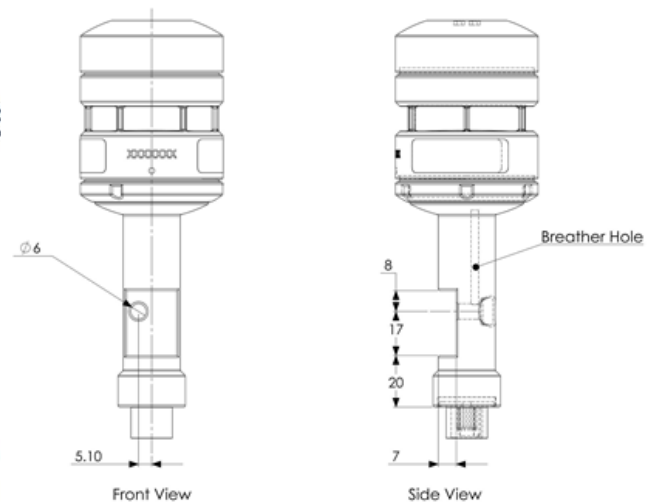
**Processing Module:**



### Air Data Computer:



### Digital Wind Speed Sensor:



### VINS Product Code Structure:

### Processing Module Product Code Structure:

Model	Connector & Enclosure	Color	GNSS Receiver	Version	Interface
VINS-PM	C28	S	Novatel OEM-O7720	VD9	.1245

### Example: VINS-PM-C28-S-O7720-VD9.1245

- **VINS-PM:** Processing Module of Vision Aided Inertial Navigation System
- **C28:** Ruggedized Enclosure with one main 31Pin Connector
- **S:** Silver color
- **O7720:** NovAtel OEM7720 dual antenna GNSS receiver
- **VD9:** GPS+GAL+BDS+QZSS, L1/L2/L5/E1/E5a/E5b/AltBOC/B1/B21/B2a/B2b, NavIC L5, SBAS, L1/L5 Dual Antenna Activation, RTK+PPP+Single Point+DGPS PNT, ALIGN Heading, 20 Hz Data Output Rate, Base Station Corrections + Measurements, GRIT Interference Mitigation and Spoofing Detection Includes GLIDE & RAIM
- **.1245:** RS-232, RS-422, CAN and Ethernet interface.

### Sensor Module Product Code Structure:

Model	Gyro	Accel	Calibration	Connector & Enclosure	Camera	Version	Interface
VINS-SM	G2000	A40	TMGA	C44	1R	V1	.29

### Example: VINS-SM-OEM-G2000-A40-TMGA-C44-1R-V1.29

- **VINS-SM:** Sensor Module of Vision Aided Inertial Navigation System
- **G2000:** Gyroscopes measurement range =  $\pm 2000$  deg/sec
- **A40:** Accelerometers measurement range  $\pm 40g$
- **TMGA:** Magnetometers, Gyroscopes and Accelerometers
- **C44:** Ruggedized Enclosure with one main 12Pin Connector
- **1R:** One IR (Day/Night) Camera
- **V1:** Version 1
- **.29:** RS-422, USB data