TN905-05F Infrared Thermometer Module

User Manual







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1 General Description

This document describes the user guide of TNm Series (TN0; TN9).

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2 Theory of Operation

2.1 Principles of Operation

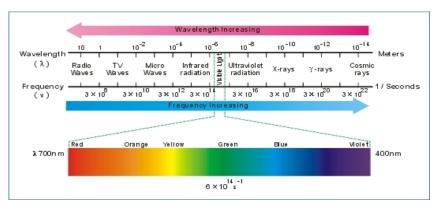


Fig 1. the Infrared Radiation Spectreum

Infrared, just like any light ray, is an Electromagnetic Radiation, with lower frequency (or longer wavelength) than visual light. Anything above absolute zero (-273.15 degrees Celsius or 0 degrees Kelvin), radiates in the infrared. Even ice cube, snow, your refrigerator emit infrared.

The **Stefan-Boltzmann Law**, where the total radiation energy is proportional to the fourth power of the absolute temperature and **Wien Displacement Law**, the product of the peak wavelength and the temperature is found to be a constant, are implemented in the TNm infrared thermometer module. The infrared radiation of measure target is collected by a infrared mirror through a IR filter of 5 or 8um cut in frequency to the infrared thermopile detector. The detector signal will be amplified and digitalize by the low noise and high linearity OP and AD convertor. The ambient temperature sensor(usually included in the same package as the thermopile detector) is set in the space near the optical system to detect the fast change of the ambient temperature. The signal processing section receives the signals from these temperature sensors to calculate the target surface temperature by a mathematical algorithm.



2.2 Features of Design

The TNm infrared thermometer module is specially designed for a high sensitivity, high accuracy, low noise and low power consumption. A number of design features contribute to the performance:

- MEMS thermopile detector and a high accurate ambient temperature compensation technics care used for the TNm infrared thermometer module.
- ZyTemp has developed a proprietary Infrared-System-On-Chip device that integrates all hardware items onto one IC. Using this innovative SoC technology, TNm infrared thermometer module has become a highly affordable and compact product.
- ZyTemp's products can faithfully withstand a thermal shock of 10degC/18degF. Our products
 are adept in maintaining accuracies under widely changing environmental conditions. For
 example, the errors from environmental changes of older IRTs can reach 1.6degC, requiring up
 to 30 minutes to stabilize, while ZyTemp's TNm error differential is only 0.7degC, needing
 only 7 minutes to restabilize.
- TNm products operate from a 3 Volt power supply, while many other older IRTs still require a 9 Volt supply.
- ZyTemp has maintained a NIST or National Measurement Laboratory traceable Temperature Primary Standard. All the TNm products are calibrated under traceable infrared standard sources. The calibration data and serial number are saved in a EEPROM on the module.



2.3 Field of View

What is D:S = 5:1

This device has a D:S = 5:1

Distance : Spot = 5:1

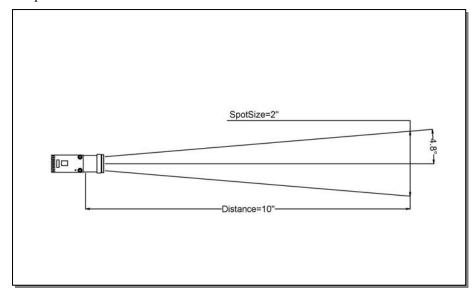


Fig 2. Field of View

When the Distance is 10 inch, then the measurement spot size is 2 inch. When the Distance is 20 inch, then the measurement spot size is 4 inch. In other words, the FOV(Field of View) is $4.8 \times 2 = 9.6$ degree

Beware the Vignette Good Design, No Vignette

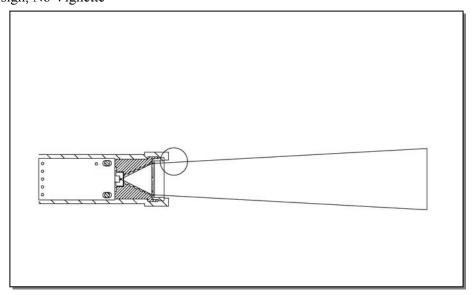


Fig 3. Good Design Field of View



Bad Design Vignette
The Sensor "see" the edge of the housing
So the measurement in fact is the averaging of the real target and the edge of housing.

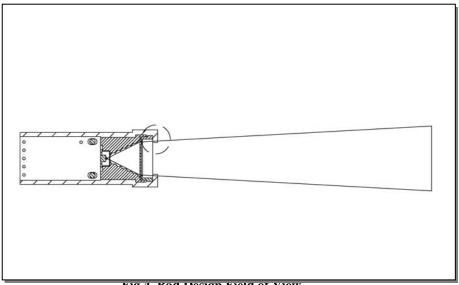


Fig 4. Bad Design Field of View

2.4 Emissivity

Understanding an object's emissivity, or its characteristic "radiance" is a critical component in the proper handling of infrared measurements. Concisely, emissivity is the ratio of radiation emitted by a surface or blackbody and its theoretical radiation predicted from **Planck's law**. A material's surface emissivity is measured by the amount of energy emitted when the surface is directly observed. There are many variables that affect a specific object's emissivity, such as the wavelength of interest, field of view, the geometric shape of the blackbody, and temperature. However, for the purposes and applications of the infrared thermometer user, a comprehensive table showing the emissivity at corresponding temperatures of various surfaces and objects is displayed.

Please visit ZyTemp's website: http://www.zytemp.com/tutorial/emissivity.asp to check the emissivity of the materials of interested.



3 Specification

3.1 Absolute Maximum Rating

Characteristics	Symbol	Ratings
DC Supply Voltage	V_{+}	<7.0V
Input Voltage Range	$ m V_{IN}$	$-0.5V$ to $V_{+} + 0.5V$

Note: Stresses beyond those given in the Absolute Maximum Rating table may cause operational errors or damage to the device. For normal operational conditions see AC/DC Electrical Characteristics.

3.2 DC Characteristics

 $(VDD = 3.0V, T_A = 25^{\circ}C)$

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Characteristics Sy		Min	Тур.	Max	Unit	Test condition
Operating Voltage	VDD	2.5	-	3.6	V	
Operating Current	I_{OP}	-	4	6	mA	$VDD = 3.0V,$ $F_{CPU} = 600KHz$
Standby Current	I_{STBY}	-	2	3	μΑ	VDD = 3.0V
Input High Level	V_{IH}	2.0	-	-	V	VDD = 3.0V
Input Low Level	$ m V_{IL}$	-	-	0.8	V	VDD = 3.0V
Output High I	I_{OH}	-	-2.0	1	mA	$VDD = 3.0V, V_{OH} = 2.4V$
Output Sink I	I_{OL}	-	2.5	-	mA	$VDD = 3.0V, V_{OH} = 0.8V$

$$(VDD = 4.5V, T_A = 25^{\circ}C)$$

Characteristics	Symbol		Limit	Un	Unit	Test condition	
Characteristics	Symbol	Min	Тур.	Max	Cint	rest condition	
Operating Voltage	VDD	3.6	-	5.0	V		
Operating Current	I_{OP}	-	6	9	mA	$VDD = 4.5V,$ $F_{CPU} = 600KHz$	
Standby Current	I_{STBY}	ı	3	4.5	μΑ	VDD = 4.5V	
Input High Level	V_{IH}	3.0	-	-	μΑ	VDD = 4.5V	
Input Low Level	$V_{ m IL}$	ı	-	0.8	μΑ	VDD = 4.5V	
Output High I	I_{OH}	1	-2.0	-	mA	$VDD = 4.5V, V_{OH} = 3.5V$	
Output Sink I	I_{OL}	-	2.5	-	mA	$VDD = 4.5V, V_{OL} = 0.8V$	



3.3 Measurement Specification

Measurement Range	-33~350°C / -27~662°F		
Operating Range	-10~50°C / 14~122°F		
Accuracy Tobj=15~35°C, Tamb=25°C	±0.6°C		
Full Range Accuracy, Tamb=23±3°C	above 0°C: ±2%, ±2°C whichever is greater below 0°C: ±(2+0.05/°C)°C		
Resolution	1/16°C(°F)=0.0625 (full range)		
Response Time (90%)	1sec		
D:S	5:1		
Emissivity	0.95 default, 0.01~1 step.01		
Update Frequency	1.4Hz		
Dimension	14.6x13.5x50mm		
Wave Length	5um-14um		
Weight	5.9g		
Power Supply	3V or 5V Option		



3.4 Pin Assignment of TN0; TN9

Warning: The Dimension in this drawing is for reference only.

For actual dimension, please download from

http://www.ZyTemp.com/products/download/ExtDrawing.asp

V: Vdd G: GND

A: Action Pin (pull low to measure, floating while to Write Data into the IRT)

Note: TN0; TN9 has the same pin assignment.

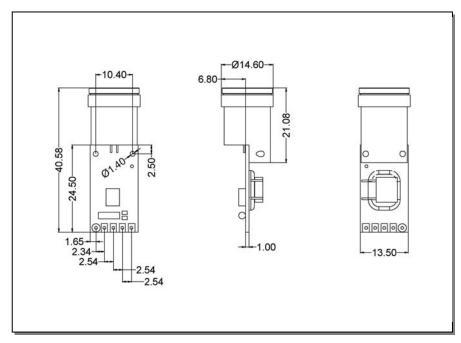


Fig 5. the Module External Drawing



4 Serial Output

4.1 Typical Diagram

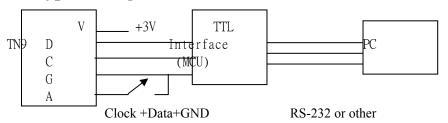


Fig 6. Typical Diagram

TN9 to TTL Interface (MCU)
V:Vcc
D:Data
C:Clock (2KHz)
G:GND
A:ActionKey (When Pull Low, the device will measure Tbb continuousely.)

Note: Data Pin is High when there is no data out, Time Out > 2ms



4.2 Timing of SPI

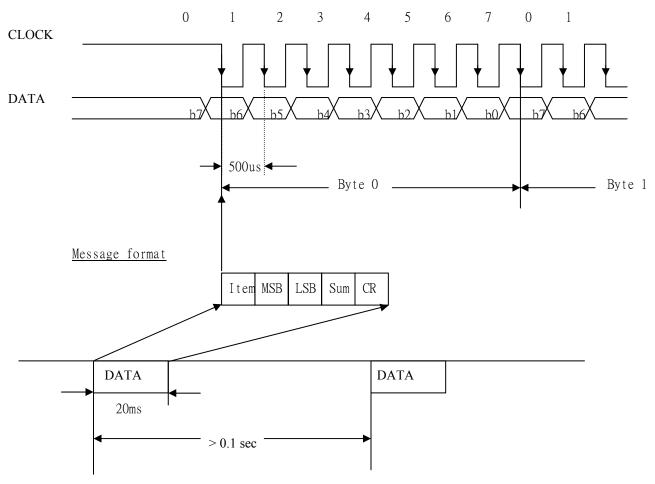


Fig 7. Timing of SPI



4.2.1 Format of Message



Item "L"(4Ch): Tobj (Temperature of Obj)

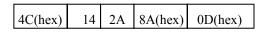
"f"(66h): Tamb (Ambient Temperature)

MSB 8 bit Data Msb LSB 8 bit Data Lsb

Sum Item+MSB+LSB=SUM CR 0Dh, End of the message

4.2.2 Example

1. Object Tempurature(Tbb)



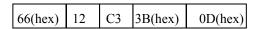
Item 4Ch→ "L" the item code of Object tempurature **Data** MSB 14h ("1" and "4" are ASCII char)

LSB 2Ah("2" and "A" are ASCII char)

Real Tempurature Value [Hex2Dec(142Ah)]/16-273.15=49.475 °C

Sum CheckSum 4Ch+14h+2Ah=8AH (Only Low Byte)
CR 0Dh → 'Carriage Return' means End of Message

2. <u>Ambiant Tempurature(Tamb)</u>



Item 66h→ "f" the item code of Ambient tempurature

Data MSB 12h ("1" and "2" are ASCII char)

LSB C3h ("C" and "3" are ASCII char)

Real Tempurature Value [Hex2Dec(12C3h)]/16-273.15= 27.03 °C

Sum CheckSum 66h+12h+C3h=3Bh (Only Low Byte)
CR ODh → 'Carriage Return' means End of Message



4.2.3 How to modify the Emissivity? (How to write Emissivity into EEPROM)

Warning: misuse may result in EEPROM failure, this may destroy the calibration data. The device may become useless!

- 1) This Infrared Thermometer module is calibrated with Emissivity=0.95 defaultly. Most of Non-metal material has emissivity near to 0.95. But the infrared emissivity of normal metal is much lower and may have to modify the setting of the module for certain application.
- 2) The communication format is the same as reading data from the module: ItemCode~HighByte~LowByte~CheckSum(ItemCode+HighByte+LowByte)~CR, total 40 clocks(& data).

Note: the sign "~" is not real data but only means "following by"

3) For writing Emissivity to TN9, the command is:

"S"(53h)~HighByte(Emissivity value)~04h~CheckSum(ItemCode+HighByte+04h)~CR(0Dh)

Emissivity value = HighByte(hex)/100(dec),

For example: HighByte = 5F(hex)=95(dec) -> emissivity = 95(dec)/100(dec) = 0.95(dec).

Always keep the LowByte data = 04(hex).

CheckSum value for this example: 53(hex)+5F(hex)+04(hex)=B6(hex)

4) The trick for write data to TN9 is as below

- a. Action pin need to be floating while writing data to TN9.
- b. As you know, TN9 will do routine data out by 40 clocks & datas with communication format.

After the 40th clock, TN9 will pull the CLK & DATA pin to weak high for waiting if there is External CPU want write data to TN9.

Please let External CPU start send 1st clock within the timing T1 after the 40th clock.

- c. The frequency of CLK should be 2KHz.
- d. TN9 will latch the data at negative edge of CLK, so data should be ready before the negative edge of 1st writing clock.
- 5) For example,

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Emissivity = 0.95 ==> "S" \sim 5F(hex) \sim 04(hex) \sim B6(hex) \sim CR
Emissivity = 0.80 ==> "S" \sim 50(hex) \sim 04(hex) \sim A7(hex) \sim CR
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6) Finally, how do we know write emmissivity success.

About 5 ms after you send CLK & DATA to TN9 completely.

TN9 should have 3 kinds of response.

a. TN9 will send out the same data which External CPU had written to TN9.

(We call this ECHO). That means write emmissivity success.

b. TN9 will send out "S" \sim FF(hex) \sim FF(hex) \sim CheckSum("S" + FF + FF) \sim CR.

That means TN9 find data checksum error = a wrong data receiving.

TN9 will forget the data, and you need to re-write again.

c. TN9 have no response as above

That means TN9 don't get full 40 clocks.

Please check the clock & data which control by External CPU.

Especially, please make sure the T1 timing is right.



5 Interface Demo Board: Hub-D

General Description:

Hub-D is an Interface box with LCD, for TN series.

This Box can work as an interface between the IRTm(IRT Module) and PC. see Fig.A

"Hub_D" has a 2-column character type LCD Display, it can also work without the PC.

The Hub will show Tobj & Tamb (data from the IRTm) continuously.

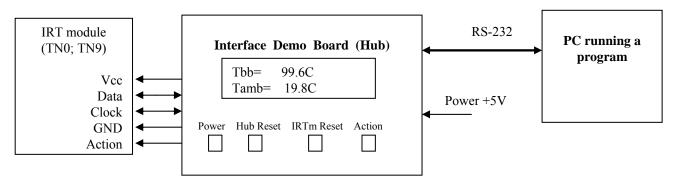


Fig 8. Typical Application of Hub

Model No:Hub-D Program: TNmDB001.exe

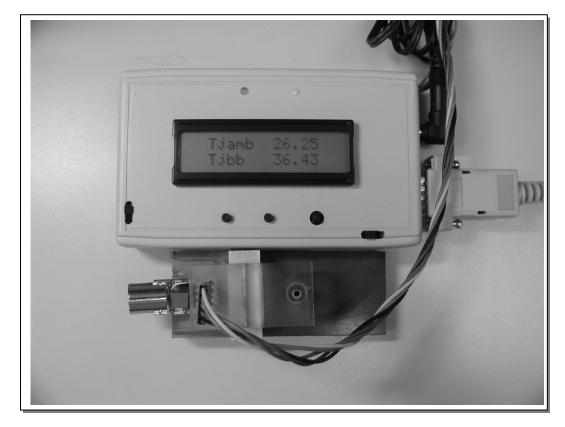


Fig 9. Hub-D



6 Interface Program for PC

Program: TNmDB001.exe

a Free version for demostration can be download at http://www.zytemp.com/download/default.asp

- Running under a DOS window (in MS Windows environment)
- Must be used accompanied with HUB-D
- This program will show:
 Tbb (Tobj); Tamb in degC;degF continuously
 Status of IRT
- Modification of the Emissivity
- degC/degF unit change