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Pandar20A/B 20-Channel Mechanical LiDAR User's Manual



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1 Introduction

Pandar20A/B is a 20–channel mechanical LiDAR. It creates 3D imaging by 360° mechanical rotating through 20 laser diodes inside the housing. Pandar20A/B's unique channel distribution makes it more suitable for autonomous driving applications.

In addition to the specifications of Pandar20A/B, this manual also describes the mechanical installation, data outputs format, and GPS timestamp synchronization.

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1.1 Operational Principles

 $d = \frac{1}{2}$

1.1.1 Distance Measurement: Time of Flight (ToF)

1. A laser diode emits a beam of ultrashort pulse laser on to the object.

2. Diffuse reflection of the laser occurs upon contact with the target object. Reflected beams are detected by the optical sensor.

3. Distance to object can be accurately measured by calculating the time between emission and receipt by the sensor.

d:	Distance
- ct c:	Speed of light
t:	Laser beam travel time

Figure 1.1 ToF Formula

1.1.2 Structure Description

Pandar20A and Pandar20B share the same structure except for the logo. Here we use Pandar20A as an example. 20 pairs of laser emitters and receivers are attached to a rotating motor inside the LiDAR housing that perform horizontal scans in 360 degrees.



Figure 1.2 Partial Cross–Sectional Diagram

Figure 1.3 LiDAR Coordinate System and Rotation Direction

NOTE

1) Figure 1.3 shows the coordinate system and the z axis is along the rotation center of the LiDAR. The origin of the coordinate system is shown as a red dot in Figure 1.5 (side view of the LiDAR). All the LiDAR measurement data are relative to the origin after geometry transformation according to LiDAR's optical and mechanical design.

2) Because of the intrinsic angle offset of each laser channel, the zero degree is defined as the azimuth angle in the corresponding block in UDP packet when channel 9 (Pandar20A) or channel 6 (Pandar20B) passes y axis defined in Figure 1.3.

1.1.3 Pandar20A/B Channel Vertical Distribution

Pandar20A

Please see Appendix I for detailed channel distribution.



Figure 1.4 Channel Vertical Distribution

Figure 1.5 Laser Firing Position

Pandar20B

Please see Appendix I for detailed channel distribution.



Figure 1.6 Channel Vertical Distribution

Figure 1.7 Laser Firing Position

1.2 Specifications

Scanning Method	Mechanical Rotating	FOV (Vertical)	Pandar20A:33° (-25° to +8°) Pandar20B:22° (-19° to +3°)	
Channel	20			
Wavelength	905 nm	Minimum Angular Resolution (Vertical)	0.33°	
Laser Class	Class 1 Eye Safe	Data Transmission Method	UDP/IP Ethernet (100 Mbps)	
Enclosure Level	IP67	Data Outputs	UDP: distance, azimuth angle, intensity	
Measurement Range	0.3 m to 200 m (at 10% reflectivity)	Operating Voltage	9 V to 48 V	
Returns (Configurable)	Single and Dual Returns (Strongest, Last)	Power Consumption	16 W	
Data Painta Constand	Single Return Mode: 360,000 points per second	Operating Temperature	−40°C to +65°C	
Data Folints Generated	Dual Return Mode: 720,000 points per second	Clock Source	GPS/PTP	
Frame Rate (Configurable)	10 Hz, 20 Hz	PTP Clock Accuracy	≤1 µs	
Measurement Accuracy	± 5 cm (0.3 m to 0.5 m), ± 2 cm (0.5 m to 200 m)	PTP Clock Drift	≤1 µs/s	
FOV (Horizontal)	360°(default)	Weight	1.408 kg	
Angular Resolution (Horizontal)	0.2° (10 Hz), 0.4° (20 Hz)	Dimensions	Height: 104.70 mm; Top Diameter: 116.00 mm; Bottom Diameter: 115.00 mm	

Table 1.1 Prototype Specifications of Pandar20A/B

* Pandar20A and Pandar20B share the same specifications, except for the FOV (Vertical) and Angular Resolution (Vertical). Please see Appendix I for detailed vertical angular resolution. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

2 Installation Guide

2.1 Mechanical Installation (Metric System)

Pandar20A and Pandar20B share the same installation method. Here we use Pandar20A as an example.



Figure 2.1 Pandar20A/B Side View

Figure 2.2 Pandar20A/B Mounting Base

Quick Installation



Stable Installation



Figure 2.4 Diagram of Stable Installation

2.2 Interface

Pandar20A/B uses Lemo Contact as the communication connector. The cable length from LiDAR exit to the tip of the connector is 0.3 m.





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В

А

Figure 2.5 Lemo Contact

Pin #	Function	Color	Voltage (V)	Pin #	Function	Color	Voltage (V)
1	N.A	N.A	N.A	9	GPS Serial Data	WHITE	–13 V to +13 V
2	N.A	N.A	N.A	10	GPS PPS	YELLOW	3.3 V/5 V
3	N.A	N.A	N.A	11	P12V	RED	12 V
4	N.A	N.A	N.A	12	P12V	GRAY	12 V
5	Ethernet RX-	BLUE	–1 V to 1 V	13	Ground (Return)	BLACK	0
6	Ethernet RX+	BLUE/WHITE	–1 V to 1 V	14	Ground (Return)	GRAY/WHITE	0
7	Ethernet TX-	ORANGE	–1 V to 1 V	15	N.A	PURPLE	N.A
8	Ethernet TX+	ORANGE/WHITE	–1 V to 1 V	16	N.A	PURPLE/WHITE	N.A

Table 2.1 Communication Connector Description

NOTE Pandar20A/B can also use Phoenix Contact as the communication connector. Please refer to Appendix VI for more details.

2.3 Connecting Box (Optional Component)

Connecting box is the optional component of Pandar20A/B. Users can choose to connect LiDAR using the connecting box. The connecting box comes equipped with a power port, a GPS port, and a standard ethernet port. The cable length from phoenix connector to the connecting box is 1.5 m.



2.3.1 Connecting Box Interfaces



a Standard Ethernet Port

RJ45, 100 Mbps Ethernet

b Power Port

Use DC–005 DC power adapter Input voltage ranges from 9 V to 48 V Power consumption is 16 W

c GPS Port

Connector type: JST SM06B–SRSS–TB Recommended connector for external GPS module: JST SHR–06V–S–B Voltage standard: RS232 Baud rate: 9600 bps



GPS port pin number from left to right is 1 to 6, and the specific definition of each pin is shown as follows:

Pin No.	Direction	Pin Description
1	Input	PPS synchronizing signal, to receive synchronized pulses from the GPS module TTL 3.3 V/5 V $$
2	Output	5 V power, to provide power for external GPS module
3	Output	GND, to ground external GPS module
4	Input	Receiving signal of serial port, to receive serial data from external GPS module, RS232 level
5	Output	GND, to ground external GPS module
6	Output	Transmitting signal of serial port, to send serial data to the external GPS module, RS232 level

Table 2.2 Connecting Box Interfaces Description

Table 2.3 GPS Pin No. Description

2.3.2 How to Connect using Connecting Box



Figure 2.7 How to Connect Using Connecting Box

NOTE Pandar20A and Pandar20B share the same connection method. Here we use Pandar20A as an example. Please refer to Appendix III for the connection using PTP protocol.

2.4 Get Ready to Use

Pandar20A/B begins to scan and transmit data automatically once it is wired and powered up. To receive the data on your PC, please set the PC IP address to 192.168.1.100 and Subnet mask to 255.255.255.0. Point cloud data can be quickly viewed or recorded by using PandarView, the point cloud data viewer software developed by Hesai. For more on PandarView installation and usage, see Appendix VI PandarView.

NOTE Pandar20A/B does not have a power switch. It starts to operate whenever power is applied.

NOTE Web control can be used to set up the configurable parameters of the LiDAR before using. For more on web control functions, see Chapter 4.

NOTE SDK (Software Development Kit) of our LiDAR can be found on Hesai official GitHub.

3 LiDAR Data Structure

The communication protocol for data output of Pandar20A/B is Fast Ethernet UDP/IP. The output data includes point cloud data packet and GPS data packet. Each data packet consists of an ethernet header and a UDP data.





NOTE Please refer to Appendix V for details about data structure with UDP Sequence on.

3.1 Point Cloud Data Packet Ethernet Header/ UDP Data

Each Pandar20A/B point cloud data packet has a 42 bytes ethernet header and 1270 bytes UDP data.

3.1.1 Point Cloud Data Packet - Ethernet Header

Here is an example of point cloud data packet ethernet header definition:

Ethernet Header: 42 bytes				
Ethernet II MAC	12 bytes	Destination: Broadcast (0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF), Source: (xx:xx:xx:xx:xx)		
Ethernet Data Packet Type	2 bytes	0x08, 0x00		
Internet Protocol	20 bytes	Version, Header Length, Differentiated Services, Field, Total Length, Identification, Flags, Fragment Offset, Time to Live, Protocol, Header Checksum, Source IP Address, Destination IP Address		
UDP Port Number	4 bytes	UDP source port (0x2710, represents 10000), destination port (0x0940, represents 2368)		
UDP Length and Checksum	4 bytes	Length 2 bytes (0x04fe, represents 1278 bytes), checksum 2 bytes		

Table 3.1 Point Cloud Data Packet Ethernet Header Definition

IP Address

Each Pandar20A/B has a unique MAC address. The destination IP address is 0xFF and in broadcast form. The default source IP address is 192.168.1.201. Taking "Internet Protocol (20 bytes)" as an example, it is described as Figure 3.2.

Internet Protocol, Src: 192.168.1.201 (192.168.1.201), Dst: 255.255.255.255 (255.255.255)	
Version: 4	
Header length: 20 bytes	
B Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP 0x00: Default; ECN: 0x00)	
Total Length: 1298	
Identification: 0x9a81 (39553)	
B Flags: 0x02 (Don't Fragment)	
Fragment offset: 0	
Time to live: 64	
Protocol: UDP (17)	
Header checksum: 0xd8e8 [correct]	
[Good: True]	
[Bad: False]	
Source: 192.168.1.201 (192.168.1.201)	
Destination: 255.255.255.255 (255.255.255.255)	

Figure 3.2 Point Cloud Data Ethernet Header Internet Protocol Illustration

3.1.2 Point Cloud Data Packet–UDP Data

The UDP Data of Pandar20A/B includes the areas of Header, Body and Tail. All the multi–byte values are the unsigned type and in Little Endian format.

Header

Header: 8 bytes				
Oxee Oxff	2 bytes	SOP (start of packet)		
Laser N	1 byte	0x14 (20 lines)		
Block N	1 byte	0x14 (20 blocks per packet)		
RT Start	1 byte	Return type start, the first block's return number; (when dual return) 0-single return 1-the first block is the last return when dual return type is selected 2-the first block is the strongest return when dual return type is selected		
Dis Unit	1 byte	4 mm		
Reserved	1 byte	-		
Reserved	1 byte	-		

Table 3.2 UDP Data-Header Definition

Body

		Body: 1240 bytes (20 blocks)	
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3		Block 20
Azimuth	Azimuth	Azimuth		Azimuth
Unit 1	Unit 1	Unit 1		Unit 1
Unit 2	Unit 2	Unit 2		Unit 2
Unit 20	Unit 20	Unit 20		Unit 20

Table 3.2 UDP Data-Body Definition

The size of each block equals to (20*Unit Size+Azimuth Size).

Each Block 62 bytes				
Azimuth	2 bytes	Represents the current reference angle of the rotor. 2 bytes Azimuth [15:0]: lower byte Azimuth_L [7:0] is in the front, upper byte Azimuth_H [15:8] is in the back. Azimuth Angle=[Azimuth_H, Azimuth_L]/100°=Azimuth/100°		
Unit	3 bytes	2 bytes distance data	Distance Value = Distance*4 mm	
Ont		1 byte reflectivity data	Maximum Distance Value = (2^16-1)*4 mm = 262.14 m	

Table 3.3 Definition of Each Block

NOTE Under dual return mode, azimuth angle changes every two blocks. The odd number block is the last return, and the even number block is the strongest return. If the last and strongest return coincides, the second strongest return will be placed to the even number block.



		Tail: 22 bytes
Reserved	5 bytes	reserved data, meaningless
High Temperature Shutdown Flag	1 byte	 0x01 means high temperature; 0x00 means normal operation during normal operation, shutdown flag keeps being 0x00 if high temperature is detected and system needs to be shut down, the shutdown flag will be set to 0x01, and the system will be shut down after 60 seconds. The flag keeps being 0x01 during the 60 seconds and shutdown period after the high temperature shutdown, the LiDAR temperature will decrease. When the system is not in high temperature status, the shutdown flag will be reset to 0x00 and the system can return to normal operation
Reserved	2 bytes	reserved data, meaningless
Motor Speed	2 bytes	speed_2_bytes [15:0] = speed (RPM)
GPS Timestamp	4 bytes	the packing time of this data packet, the unit is 1 $\mu s,$ value range 0 μs –1000000 μs (1 s)
Return Mode Information	1 byte	the strongest return (0x37), the last return (0x38), dual return (0x39)
Factory Information	1 byte	0x42 (or 0x43)
UTC	6 bytes	year, month, date, hour, minute, second, decimal digit

Table 3.4 Point Cloud Data UDP Data-Tail

Example of UDP Data Analysis

Taking Pandar20A's Channel 5 in block 3 of a UDP Data Packet as an example:

1) Horizontal angle offset of the laser is 3.125°, and vertical angle of the laser is 1.67° for Channel 5 (refer to Appendix I).

2) Horizontal angle is the current reference angle of the rotor plus horizontal angle offset, so the result is (Azimuth 3+(3.125)) degree.

(NOTE We define clockwise as a positive direction of the angle from top view)

3) Analyze the "Channel 5 Unit 3" from the UDP Data Packet, and the distance formed by upper 2 bytes multiplied by 4 mm is the actual distance in millimeters in the real world.

By now, the direction and distance of this point have been decided, and this obstacle point could be drawn in the polar or rectangular coordinate system. The real-time point cloud data of Pandar20A/B can be drawn by analyzing every data in the UDP Data Packet using the above method.

3.2 GPS Data Packet Ethernet Header/UDP Data

Each GPS Data Packet has a 42 bytes Ethernet Header and 512 bytes UDP Data. All the multi–byte values are the unsigned type and in Little Endian format. GPS UDP Data Packet will be triggered every second, and the port is 10110.

Before receiving the GPS module data, the rising edge of the internal 1Hz signal of the LiDAR will trigger a GPS Data Packet. The initial GPS time data in the packet will be counted from 000101000000 (yymmddhhmmss, year, month, day, hour, minute, second) and this unreal GPS time can also increase according to internal 1Hz signal of LiDAR as long as GPRMC information is not available at the beginning. If LiDAR receives PPS signal and GPRMC data from GPS module, the local 1Hz signal of the LiDAR will be locked to the PPS signal. GPS Data Packet is still triggered by the rising edge of the internal 1Hz signal. Meantime, the GPS time data in the Packet will be reset to actual GPS time by GRPMC information from GPS module.

GPS module sends firstly the PPS signal, then the GPRMC information. The LiDAR can extract the UTC information and stamp 6 bytes UTC time (Year:Month:Day:Hour:Minute:Second) into Point Cloud UDP Packet. User can then add 4 bytes timestamp and 6 bytes UTC time in Point Cloud UDP to achieve absolute time for the UDP packet.

As long as the GPS signal is available, the GPS time in the packet will update according incoming GPRMC information. If GPS module stops sending data, LiDAR will still trigger a GPS Data Packet following the internal 1Hz signal and GPS time data in the Packet will be counted on the base of previously actual GPS time.

3.2.1 GPS Data Packet – Ethernet Header

		Ethernet Header: 42 bytes
Ethernet II MAC	12 bytes	Destination: Broadcast (0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF), Source: (xx:xx:xx:xx:xx)
Ethernet Data Packet Type	2 bytes	0x08, 0x00
Internet Protocol	20 bytes	Version, Header Length, Differentiated Services, Field, Total Length, Identification, Flags, Fragment Offset, Time to Live, Protocol, Header Checksum, Source IP Address, Destination IP Address
UDP Port Number	4 bytes	UDP source port (0x2710, represents10000), destination port (0x277E, represents 10110)
UDP Length and Checksum	4 bytes	Length 2 bytes (0x208, represents 520 bytes), checksum 2 bytes

IP Address

The destination IP address is 0xFF FF FF FF and in broadcast form. The default source IP address is 192.168.1.201. Taking "Internet Protocol (20 bytes)" as an example, it is described as follows:

Figure 3.3 GPS Data Ethernet Header Internet Protocol Illustration

3.2.2 GPS Data Packet – UDP Data

Every second, one UDP data will be triggered by one GPS PPS. UDP data has 512 bytes, and the port is 10110. In a locked state, the GPS packet outputs per second continuously.

GPS UDP data: 512 bytes							
GPS Time Data	18 bytes	Header	2 bytes	0xFFEE, 0xFF first			
		Date	6 bytes	Year month and day in order (2 bytes each), lower byte first, ASCII code			
		Time	6 bytes	Second minute and hour in order (2 bytes each), lower byte first, ASCII code			
		µs Time	4 bytes	Unit is µs, lower byte first			
GPRMC Data	77 bytes	ASCII code	ASCII code, valid till 2 bytes after '*'				
Reserved Data	411 bytes	Filled with	Filled with 411 0xDF				
Location valid or not	1 byte	From GPR	From GPRMC information, ASCII code, A=valid, V=invalid				
Flag of PPS lock	1 byte	1=locked, 0	1=locked, 0=unlocked				
Reserved Data	4 bytes	Reserved meaningless data					

Example of GPS Data Packet UDP Data Analysis

H User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: ndmp (10000), Dst Port: nmea-0183 (10110)
□ Data (512 bytes)

Data: ffee373132313032323535343231003008a4244750524d43...

0020	ff	ff	27	10	27	7e	02	08	a2	2c	ff	ee	37	31	32	31	
0030	30	32	32	35	35	34	32	31	00	30	08	a4	24	47	50	52	02255421 . 0 \$GPR
0040	4d	43	00	2c	31	32	34	35	35	32	2e	30	30	2c	41	2c	MC., 1245 52.00, A,
0050	33	31	32	31	2e	38	36	37	37	32	2c	4e	2c	31	32	31	3121.867 72, N, 121
0060	31	34	2e	36	37	33	31	38	2c	45	2c	30	2e	30	37	34	14.67318 , E, 0.074
0070	2c	2c	32	30	31	32	31	37	2c	2c	2c	44	2a	37	35	35	,,201217 ,,,D*755
0080	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	55555555 55555555
0090	df																
00a0	df																
00b0	df																
00c0	df																
00d0	df																
00e0	df																
00f0	df																
0100	df																
0110	df																

Figure 3.4 GPS Data Packet UDP Data Illustration

Date

Year: 0x37, 0x31, convert ASCII code to '7', '1'; means 17 Month: 0x32, 0x31, convert ASCII code to '2', '1'; means 12 Day: 0x30, 0x32, convert ASCII code to '0', '2'; means 20

Time

Second: 0x32, 0x35, convert ASCII code to '2', '5'; means 52 Minutes: 0x35 0x34 convert ASCII code to '5', '4; means 45 Hour: 0x32 0x31, convert ASCII code to '2', '1'; means 12 (UTC time)

µs Time

4 bytes, the μ s time value of each GPS PPS pulse, and timestamp will be set as 0 μ s. The μ s time of GPS PPS and the timestamp from the point cloud data have the same data source, and the unit is 1 μ s.

GPRMC Data Format

The standard GPRMC data format is as follows: \$GPRMC, <01>, <02>, <03>, <04>, <05>, <06>, <07>, <08>, <09>, <10>, <11>, <12>*hh

Detailed descriptions are as follows:

<01> UTC Time, hhmmss (hour, minute, second) format <02> Location Status, A=Valid Position, V=Invalid Position <03> Latitude ddmm.mmmm (degree, minute) format <04> Latitude Northern (N) or Southern (S) Hemisphere <05> Longitude dddmm.mmmm (degree, minute) format <06> Longitude Eastern (E) or Western (W) Hemisphere

- <07> Ground Rate (000.0 to 999.9 knots)
- <08> Ground Direction (000.0~359.9 degrees, referencing true north)
- <09> UTC Date, ddmmyy (day, month, year) format
- <10> Declination (000.0 to 180.0 degrees)
- <11> Declination Direction, E (east) or W (west)
- <12> Mode (only on version NMEA0183 3.00, A=Automatic Positioning, D=Differential, E=Estimation, N=Invalid Data)

The GPS interface of Pandar20A/B is compatible with a variety of data formats. The external GPS module GPRMC data format needs to meet the following conditions:

the data in <01> is the hour, minute, and second information; the data in <09> is the date information.

The following two formats are both admissible: 1) \$GPRMC,072242,A,3027.3680,N,11423.6975,E,000.0,316.7,160617,004.1,W*67 2) \$GPRMC,065829.00,A,3121.86377,N,12114.68322,E,0.027,,160617,,,,A*74

4 Web Control

Web Control can be used to set Pandar20A/B parameters, check device info, and upgrade. Before setting, please connect LiDAR and the computer using Ethernet cable. Set IP address to 192.168.1.25.

4.1 Open Web Control

After setting, open browser and type URL: 192.168.1.201/index.html to enter the web control homepage. There are two GPS status:

1) Lock: the clock of LiDAR synchronizes with the clock of GPS.

2) Unlock: the clock of LiDAR does not synchronize with the clock of GPS.

When PTP is used, there will be four different PTP clock status:

1) Free Run: no PTP master is selected, local reference clock is used.

2) Tracking: PTP master is selected, and the Slave is trying to sync with Master yet the offset is great than 1 µs.

3) Locked: PTP master is selected and the offset between Slave and Master is below 1 µs.

4) Frozen: PTP master is lost after already Locked, the clock is locked to the previous state.

HESAI Home Setting Angle Range Device	Info Upgrade	
	Spin Rate	600 spm
	GPS	Unlock
	PTP Clock Status	Free Run
	S/N	PA2030C55E9B30C55F
	Model	PA20



4.2 Setting

Control IP IPv4 Address 192.168.1.201 IPv4 Madk 255.255.255.255.255.0 IPv4 Gateway 192.168.1.1 Settings 900 Spin Rate 000	
IP+4 Address 192.168.1.201 IP+4 Mask 255.255.255.0 IP+4 Gateway 192.168.1.1 Settings 900 Spin Rate 600 Datasation In 255.255.255.0	
IPv4 Mask 255.255.255.0 IPv4 Gateway 192.168.1.1 Settings 9 Spin Rate 600 Dataseting In 255.255.255.0	
IPv4 Gateway 192.168.1.1 Settings Spin Rate 000 Distance 5 265.265.265	
Settings Spin Rate 600 During in 2015 245 245	
Settings Spin Rate 000 Distinction In 2005 265 265 265	
Spin Rate 600	
Destination In 200 200 200 200 200	▼ rpm
Destination ip	5
Destination Lidar Port 2368	
Destination GPS Port 10110	
Sync Angle 0	
Dual Return Type Dual Return	Ŧ
Clock Source PTP	T
UDP Sequence OFF	v
Trigger Method Angle Based	T

Figure 4.2 Setting Page of Web Control

1) Pandar20A/B supports both broadcast (default setting) and unicast.

To use broadcast, please set Destination IP as 255.255.255.255. To use unicast, please set Destination IP as the same as PC IP address.

- 2) Users can set the spinning rate as 600 rpm or 1200 rpm.
- 3) Users can choose the GPS sync angle. If set as 0, then the 0 degree angle is in sync with PPS.
- 4) Users can choose the dual return type from the last return, the strongest return, and the dual return.
- 5) Users can choose clock source between GPS or PTP. When PTP clock source is selected, LiDAR sends only Point Cloud UDP Packet, but NO GPS UDP PACKET, please refer to Appendix III for details.
- 6) Users can turn on or off UDP sequence. UDP sequence is used to label the sequence number for UDP packet. Please refer to Appendix V for details about data structure changes.
- 7) Users can choose the trigger method from angle based and time based.

NOTE In Time Based Trigger Mode, lasers fire every 55.56 us. In Angle Based Trigger Mode, lasers fire every 0.2° (at 10 Hz) or 0.4° (at 20 Hz).

4.3 Angle Range

Users can set azimuth angle range on this page. There are two methods to set angle range: LiDAR based angle range method and laser based angle range method.

HESAI Home Setting Angle Range Device In		
	Angle Range Method	LiDAR Based
	Angle Range Start	0
	End:	360
	Save	



LiDAR Based

If LiDAR based angle range method is selected, the start and end angles that users enter will be applied to all 20 channels. In other words, all 20 channels will have the same angle range. There will be no laser firing or data generated outside the specified angle range. After setting, click "Save".

NOTE Please do not forget to click "Save" after finishing setting. Otherwise, angle range will not be applied.

Laser Based

If laser based angle range method is selected, users can see a table as in Figure 4.4. The start and end angles of each laser can be configured individually.

HESAI Home Setting Angle Range Device Ir	ifo Upgrade				
	Ande Denne Mederd	T 71-			
	Angle Kange Method	Laser Da	Laser Based ¥		
	Upload Angle Range Configuration File	€Upload	●Upload		
	Display Angle Range Configuration File	Export			
	Laser Ma	Start Angles	End Angles		
	1	and studies.	0		
	2		0		
	3		0		
	4		0		
	5		0		
	6		0		
	7		0		
	8		0		
	9		0		
	10		0		
	11		0		
	12		0		
	13		0		
	14		0		

Figure 4.4 Angle Range Page-Laser Based

Users can edit the start and end angles by first downloading the angle range configuration file and then upload the edited configuration file. Please click "Save" to apply your settings.

NOTE

1) Use LiDAR Based Method if the same angle range is expected on all 20 channels. Outside the specified range, no laser will be firing and no data will be generated.

2) If Laser Based Method is chosen and the angle range varies channel by channel, there will be no data generated only outside the union of all specified angle ranges.

4.4 Device Info

Software version, hardware version, firmware version can be viewed from device information page.

HESAI		Device Info		
		Sot	oftware Version	2.5.9-20AB
		Ha	ardware Version	1.0.0
		Fin	rmware Version	4.27
		Ma	ac Address	EC:9F:0D:00:2B:01
		S/2	N	PA2030C55E9B30C55F
		Mc	odel	PA20

Figure 4.5 Device Info Page of Web Control

4.5 Firmware Upgrade

Please ask Hesai for the latest upgrade file if needed. Click on "Upload" button to upload the upgrade file. Please reboot the LiDAR after finishing upgrading.

HESAI Home Setting Angle Range Device	Info Upgrade		
	Pandar Upgrade Information		
	Software Version	2.5.9-20AB	
	Firmware of Sensor Version	v4.3.11c	
	Firmware of Controller Version	4.27	
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Appendix I

Pandar20A/B Channel Distribution

Pandar20A Channel Distribution

Channel Number of Laser	Horizontal Angle Offset (Azimuth)	Vertical Angle (Elevation)	Instrument Range (in meters)	Range Capability vs. Reflectivity (in meters)
Channel number in UDP Data Packet	The horizontal angle of each line is the sum of current reference angle of the rotor and the angle below. Define clockwise as positive.	The vertical angle of each line is constant, and 0° represents horizontal direction. Define upward as positive.	Instrument range capability	Range capability at objects with specific reflectivity
01	-1.042	8.00	130	200@20%
02	-1.042	5.00	130	200@20%
03	-1.042	3.00	230	200@20%
04	-1.042	2.00	230	200@20%
05	3.125	1.67	230	200@20%
06	-1.042	1.00	230	200@10%
07	-5.208	0.33	230	200@10%
08	3.125	-0.33	230	200@10%
09	-1.042	-1.00	230	200@10%
10	-1.042	-2.00	230	200@10%
11	-1.042	-3.00	230	200@20%
12	-1.042	-4.00	230	200@20%

Channel Number of Laser	Horizontal Angle Offset (Azimuth)	Vertical Angle (Elevation)	Instrument Range (in meters)	Range Capability vs. Reflectivity (in meters)
13	-1.042	-5.00	130	200@20%
14	-1.042	-6.00	130	200@20%
15	-1.042	-8.00	130	200@20%
16	-1.042	-10.00	130	200@20%
17	-1.042	-12.00	130	200@20%
18	-1.042	-14.00	130	200@20%
19	-1.042	-19.00	130	200@20%
20	-1.042	-25.00	130	200@20%

Table I.1 Pandar20A Channel Distribution

Pandar20B Channel Distribution

Channel Number of Laser	Horizontal Angle Offset (Azimuth)	Vertical Angle (Elevation)	Instrument Range (in meters)	Range Capability vs. Reflectivity (in meters)
Channel number in UDP Data Packet	The horizontal angle of each line is the sum of current reference angle of the rotor and the angle below. Define clockwise as positive.	The vertical angle of each line is constant, and 0° represents horizontal direction. Define upward as positive.	Instrument range capability	Range capability at objects with specific reflectivity
01	-1.042	3.00	230	200@20%
02	-1.042	2.00	230	200@20%
03	3.125	1.67	230	200@20%
04	-1.042	1.00	230	200@10%

Channel Number of Laser	Horizontal Angle Offset (Azimuth)	Vertical Angle (Elevation)	Instrument Range (in meters)	Range Capability vs. Reflectivity (in meters)
05	-5.208	0.33	230	200@10%
06	-1.042	0.00	230	200@10%
07	3.125	-0.33	230	200@10%
08	-1.042	-1.00	230	200@10%
09	-5.208	-1.67	230	200@10%
10	3.125	-2.33	230	200@20%
11	-1.042	-3.00	230	200@20%
12	-1.042	-4.00	230	200@20%
13	-1.042	-5.00	130	200@20%
14	-1.042	-6.00	130	200@20%
15	-1.042	-7.00	130	200@20%
16	-1.042	-8.00	130	200@20%
17	-1.042	-10.00	130	200@20%
18	-1.042	-12.00	130	200@20%
19	-1.042	-14.00	130	200@20%
20	-1.042	-19.00	130	200@20%

Table I.2 Pandar20B Channel Distribution

Appendix II

Point Cloud Data Packet Absolute Time and Laser Firing Time Calculations

The point cloud data packet absolute time calculations of Pandar20A and Pandar20B are the same, while the laser firing time calculations are different. Pandar20A/B transmits two types of UDP Data Packet, including the point cloud UDP Data Packet and the GPS UDP Data Packet, hereafter referred to as Point Cloud Data Packet and GPS Data Packet.

1 Absolute Time Calculation of Point Cloud Data Packet

LiDAR transmits a GPS Data Packet and a Point Cloud Data Packet chronologically with µs timestamps from the same data source. The µs timestamp in the Point Cloud Data Packet (GPS Timestamp) is used to calculate the packing time of this data packet.

There are two methods to calculate the absolute packing time of Point Cloud Data:

1) Retrieve the µs timestamp and the time information (UTC, decimal number) from the Point Cloud Data Packet. The absolute time of Point Cloud Data Packet can be calculated by combining 2 parts: a) the 4 bytes µs timestamp; b) the 6 bytes UTC time information (decimal number) in Point Cloud Data Packet.

2) First retrieve timestamp from the Point Cloud Data Packet, then retrieve time information (UTC) from the previous GPS Data Packet. The absolute time of Point Cloud Data Packet can be calculated by combining 2 parts: a) the 4 bytes µs timestamp; b) the UTC time information (decimal number) in previous GPS Data Packet.

NOTE

1) Because LiDAR GPS Data Packet is triggered by PPS rising edge, the corresponding GPRMC information (real absolute time) from GPS module after PPS rising edge is not available at that time.

2) The UTC time in LiDAR GPS Data Packet and following Point Cloud Data Packet can only utilize previous GPRMC information, which is 1 full second older than the absolute time of the triggering PPS rising edge. But the LiDAR can automatically adjust and the user can simply add the 4 bytes timestamp and 6 bytes UTC time to get absolute time.

3) Since every GPS Data Packet matches an internal 1Hz signal, the GPS Data Packet will be exported continuously in every second with or without GPRMC information. If GPRMC is available, UTC time in data packets are updated according to GPRMC and avoid drift of internal 1Hz signal; if GPRMC is not available, UTC time in data packets are updated according to internal 1Hz signal and keep the mechanism.

NOTE Please refer to Appendix III for the calculation of absolute time using PTP protocol.

2 Laser Firing Time Calculation

The laser firing time of every laser channel can be calculated by using the absolute time in Point Cloud Data Packet. Assuming the Point Cloud Data Packet's absolute time is t0.

		Body 1240 bytes (20 blocks)		
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	• • • • •	Block 20
Azimuth	Azimuth	Azimuth	• • • • • •	Azimuth
Unit 1	Unit 1	Unit 1	• • • • • •	Unit 1
Unit 2	Unit 2	Unit 2	• • • • • •	Unit 2
	• • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • •	• • • • • •
Unit 20	Unit 20	Unit 20	• • • • •	Unit 20

Table II.1 Point Could Data UDP Data-Body

Single Return Mode

There are 20 Blocks in every Point Cloud UDP Data Packet.

In the single return mode, each block consists of 20 laser channels ranging data. The end time of the Block means all the 20 channels laser finished the firing.

The calculation of each Block's end time is as follows:

01) End time of Block 20: (t0-28.58)µs;

- 02) End time of Block 19: (t0-28.58-55.56)µs;
- 03) End time of Block N: (t0-28.58-55.56*(20-N))µs;

- 04) End time of Block 3: (t0-28.58-55.56*17)µs;
- 05) End time of Block 2: (t0-28.58-55.56*18)µs;
- 06) End time of Block 1: (t0-28.58-55.56*19)µs;

Dual Return Mode

There are 20 Blocks in every Point Cloud UDP Data Packet.

In the dual return mode, Block (1, 2) are corresponding to dual return ranging data for the same 20 channels laser firing, so they have the same firing time for each laser and the same end time for the Block. Similarly, Block (3, 4) and so on have same firing and end time.

The calculation of each Block's end time is as follows:

01) End time of Block 20: (t0-28.58) µs;

- 02) End time of Block 19: (t0-28.58) µs;
- 03) End time of Block 18: (t0-28.58-55.56) µs;
- 04) End time of Block 17: (t0-28.58-55.56) µs;
- 05) End time of Block 16: (t0-28.58-55.56*2) µs;

06) End time of Block 15: (t0-28.58-55.56*2) μs; 07) End time of Block 14: (t0-28.58-55.56*3) μs; 08) End time of Block 13: (t0-28.58-55.56*3) μs; 09) End time of Block 12: (t0-28.58-55.56*4) μs;

10) End time of Block 11: (t0-28.58-55.56*4) µs;

11) End time of Block 10: $(t0-28.58-55.56*5) \mu s$; 12) End time of Block 9: $(t0-28.58-55.56*5) \mu s$; 13) End time of Block 8: $(t0-28.58-55.56*6) \mu s$; 14) End time of Block 7: $(t0-28.58-55.56*6) \mu s$; 15) End time of Block 6: $(t0-28.58-55.56*7) \mu s$;

16) End time of Block 5: (t0-28.58-55.56*7) μs;
17) End time of Block 4: (t0-28.58-55.56*8) μs;
18) End time of Block 3: (t0-28.58-55.56*8) μs;
19) End time of Block 2: (t0-28.58-55.56*9) μs;
20) End time of Block 1: (t0-28.58-55.56*9) μs;

Through the Block's end time, it is possible to calculate the laser firing time for every channel in the Block. Take Block 6 for example, assuming Block 6's end time is t6, then:

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- 01) Laser ID 2's firing time: (t6-3.62) µs;
- 02) Laser ID 20's firing time: (t6-3.62) µs;
- 03) Laser ID 17's firing time: (t6–1.304*1–3.62) μs;
- 04) Laser ID 15's firing time: (t6-1.304*3-1.968*1-3.62) µs;

05) Laser ID 12's firing time: (t6-1.304*3-1.968*2-3.62) μ s; 06) Laser ID 1's firing time: (t6-1.304*5-1.968*3-3.62) μ s; 07) Laser ID 19's firing time: (t6-1.304*5-1.968*3-3.62) μ s; 08) Laser ID 6's firing time: (t6-1.304*7-1.968*4-3.62) μ s; 09) Laser ID 8's firing time: (t6–1.304*7–1.968*4–3.62) μ s; 10) Laser ID 11's firing time: (t6–1.304*8–1.968*5–3.62) μ s;

11) Laser ID 18's firing time: (t6–1.304*10–1.968*6–3.62) μs;

12) Laser ID 16's firing time: (t6-1.304*11-1.968*6-3.62) µs;

13) Laser ID 4's firing time: (t6-1.304*11-1.968*7-3.62) µs;

14) Laser ID 14's firing time: (t6-1.304*12-1.968*8-3.62) µs;

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01) Laser ID 18's firing time: (t6-1.304*1-3.62) µs;

02) Laser ID 6's firing time: (t6-1.304*2-1.968*1-3.62) µs;

03) Laser ID 16's firing time: (t6–1.304*3–1.968*1–3.62) μs ;

04) Laser ID 12's firing time: (t6–1.304*3–1.968*2–3.62) $\mu s;$

05) Laser ID 9's firing time: (t6–1.304*4–1.968*3–3.62) μs ;

06) Laser ID 20's firing time: (t6–1.304*5–1.968*3–3.62) μs ;

07) Laser ID 4's firing time: (t6-1.304*7-1.968*4-3.62) µs;

08) Laser ID 7's firing time: (t6-1.304*7-1.968*4-3.62) µs;

09) Laser ID 15's firing time: (t6–1.304*8–1.968*4–3.62) μs ;

10) Laser ID 11's firing time: (t6-1.304*8-1.968*5-3.62) µs;

15) Laser ID 10's firing time: (t6–1.304*12–1.968*9–3.62) μ s; 16) Laser ID 7's firing time: (t6–1.304*12–1.968*11–3.62) μ s; 17) Laser ID 3's firing time: (t6–1.304*14–1.968*12–3.62) μ s; 18) Laser ID 5's firing time: (t6–1.304*14–1.968*13–3.62) μ s; 19) Laser ID 13's firing time: (t6–1.304*15–1.968*13–3.62) μ s; 20) Laser ID 9's firing time: (t6–1.304*15–1.968*14–3.62) μ s;

11) Laser ID 19's firing time: $(t6-1.304*10-1.968*6-3.62) \mu s$; 12) Laser ID 17's firing time: $(t6-1.304*11-1.968*6-3.62) \mu s$; 13) Laser ID 2's firing time: $(t6-1.304*11-1.968*7-3.62) \mu s$; 14) Laser ID 14's firing time: $(t6-1.304*12-1.968*8-3.62) \mu s$; 15) Laser ID 5's firing time: $(t6-1.304*12-1.968*11-3.62) \mu s$; 16) Laser ID 1's firing time: $(t6-1.304*14-1.968*12-3.62) \mu s$; 17) Laser ID 10's firing time: $(t6-1.304*14-1.968*12-3.62) \mu s$; 18) Laser ID 3's firing time: $(t6-1.304*14-1.968*13-3.62) \mu s$; 19) Laser ID 13's firing time: $(t6-1.304*14-1.968*13-3.62) \mu s$; 20) Laser ID 8's firing time: $(t6-1.304*15-1.968*13-3.62) \mu s$;

Appendix III

PTP Protocol

The Precision Time Protocol (PTP), also referred as IEEE 1588 standard, is a protocol used to synchronize clocks throughout a computer network. It can achieve clock accuracy in the sub-microsecond range, and is suitable for measurement and control systems.

1 How to connect LiDAR using PTP protocol





NOTE Pandar20A and Pandar20B share the same connection method. Here we use Pandar20A as an example.

2 Absolute Time Calculation of Point Cloud Data Packet

In case of clock source from PTP, the user needs to connect a PTP master device to get the absolute time.

If PTP clock source is selected, LiDAR transmits only Point Cloud Data Packet with µs timestamps and 6 bytes UTC time. The µs timestamp and UTC time in the Point Cloud Data Packet are used to calculate the packing time of this data packet.

The user can calculate the absolute time by the following method:

Retrieve the µs timestamp and the time information (UTC, decimal number) from the Point Cloud Data Packet. The absolute time of Point Cloud Data Packet can be calculated by combining 2 parts: a) the 4 bytes µs timestamp; b) the 6 bytes UTC time information (decimal number) in Point Cloud Data Packet.

NOTE

- 1) The PTP master device is a third–party product and not included in LiDAR Package. The LiDAR clock just follow the PTP master device by PTP protocol.
- 2) The timestamp and 6 bytes UTC time in Point Cloud Data Packet strictly follow the PTP time from PTP master device. There may have offset with UTC time for certain PTP master device. Please verify the PTP master device configuration and calibration in order to get precise UTC time from PTP master device.
- 3) The LiDAR works as PTP slave device and the PTP protocol is Plug&Play. No additional setup is required.
- 4) If PTP clock source is selected but no PTP master device available, the LiDAR will have an increasing time from invalid past time. If PTP clock source was supplied and later stopped, the LiDAR will continue to count the time with internal clock.

NOTE

The calculation of laser firing time remains the same whether PTP is used or not. Please refer to Appendix II for details.

Appendix IV

Communication Protocol

This part describes the communication protocol supported by Pandar20A/B and detailed implementation.

1) Binary format is used to improve the communication performance.

2) Disabled Nagle's algorithm to improve the real-time performance.

3) Simple protocol includes fixed 8 bytes header and variable command specific payload size.

1 Packet Structure

The protocol includes the header and the payload. The header describes type of the command and the length of the payload. The load may differ in length/content by different type of command.

Following is the command message sent from client to server (LiDAR):

Туре	Length	Field Description
0×47	1 byte	fixed content
0×74	1 byte	fixed content
Cmd	1 byte	the code for command, see command description for details
Return Code	1 byte	useless
Payload Length	4 bytes	the data length for the command, 0x00 means that the command does not need additional data
Payload	data length bytes	the additional data for the command, its length is indicated by "payload length" field

Table IV.1 Command Message Sent from Client to LiDAR

Following is the response message format sent from server (LiDAR) to client:

Туре	Length	Field Description		
0×47	1 byte	fixed content		
0×74	1 byte	fixed content		
Cmd	1 byte	the code for command, see command description for details		
Return Code	1 byte	return code from server		
Data Length	4 bytes	the additional data length for the command, 0x00 means that the command does not have payload		
Payload	data length bytes	the payload data for the command, its length is indicated by "payload length" field		

Table IV.2 Feedback Message Format from LiDAR to Client

NOTE LiDAR echos feedback message to every command it received.

2 Command Description

Command list is shown as Table IV.3.

Command	Command Code	Additional Data	Description
PTC_COMMAND_GET_LIDAR_CALIBRATION	0x5	None	to retrieve the LiDAR's calibration files
PTC_COMMAND_PTP_DIAGNOSTICS	0x6	PTP Query Type	to retrieve PTP-diagnostic for specified PTP Query Type
PTC_COMMAND_GET_INVENTORY_INFO	0x7	None	to retrieve the LiDAR inventory information
PTC_COMMAND_GET_CONFIG_INFO	0x8	None	to retrieve the LiDAR configuration parameters
PTC_COMMAND_GET_LIDAR_STATUS	0x9	None	to retrieve the LiDAR temperature, system uptime etc information

Table IV.3 Type of Command

PTC_COMMAND_GET_LIDAR_CALIBRATION

 Function Description: To retrieve LiDAR calibration files

 LiDAR Feedback Message Payload Content: The LiDAR calibration file data Format: CSV Format (ASCII) Including 3 fields (LaserID, Elevation, Azimuth Offset)

PTC_COMMAND_PTP_DIAGNOSTICS

1) Function Description:

Obtain PTP diagnostics information from server

 Description for Sending Data Package: Command Code: 0x5 Payload Length: 0 byte

2) Description for Sending Data Package:Command Code: 0x6Payload Length: 1 byte (PTP Query Type)

PTP Query Type	Value
PTP STATUS	0x1
PTP TLV PORT_DATA_SET	0x2
PTP TLV TIME_STATUS_NP	0x3
PTP TLV GRANDMASTER_SETTINGS_NP	0x4

3) LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

PTP Query Type Length Description

a. PTP STATUS

b. PTP TLV PORT_DATA_SET

Per IEEE-1588 standard management TLV PORT_DATA_SET

master_offset 8 bytes ti	the offset between master/salve	Fields	Length	Description	
		portIdentity	10 bytes	the port identity, including 8 bytes clock identity and 2 bytes port number	
			portState	1 byte	same as ptp_state in above message
		"NONE", /*0*/ "INITIALIZING", /*1*/ "FAULTY", /*2*/ "DISABLED", /*3*/ "LISTENING", /*4*/ "PRE_MASTER"/*5*/ "MASTER", /*6*/ "PASSIVE", /*7*/	logMinDelayReqInterval	1 byte	the minimum permitted mean time interval between Delay_Req messages it is specified as a power of two in seconds. The default is 0 (1 second).
	4 1		peerMeanPathDelay	8 bytes	the peer mean path delay value in ns
ptp_state	4 bytes		logAnnounceInterval	1 byte	the mean time interval between Announce message of the portDS set
	"SLAVE", /*9*/ "GRAND_MASTER", /*10*/	announceReceiptTimeout	1 byte	the number of missed Announce messages before the last Announce messages expires of the portDS set	
			logSyncInterval	1 byte	the mean time interval between Sync messages. It's specified as a power of two in seconds
elapsed_millisec 4 bytes	time elapsed in	delayMechanism	1 byte	the delay mechanism, possible values are E2E, P2P and Auto	
	4 bytes	vtes milliseconds since last handshake between master/slave	logMinPdelayReqInterval	1 byte	the minimum permitted mean time interval between Pdelay_Req messages
			versionNumber	1 byte	PTP version number, 2 as v2

Table IV.5 PTP STATUS

Table IV.6 PTP TLV PORT_DATA_SET

c. LinuxPTP TLV TIME_STATUS_NP (0xc000)

d. LinuxPTP TLV GRANDMASTER_SETTINGS_NP (0xc001)

LinuxPTP specific TLV

Fields	Length	Description	Fields	Length	Description
master_offset	8 bytes	the time difference between master/slave at the last handshake	clockQuality	4 bytes	the clock quality of the current grand master clock the slave selected
ingress_time	8 bytes	the hw ingress time stamp of the last sync message received by the slave	ute offset		the UTC_Offset value set by the grand master clock
cumulativeScaledRateOffse	4 bytes	relative information in the last received follow_up message	utc_onset	2 Dytes	
scaledLastGmPhaseChange	4 bytes	relative information in the last received follow_up message	time flags	1 byte	the time flag of the grand master
gmTimeBaseIndicator	2 bytes	relative information in the last received follow_up message			
lastGmPhaseChange	10 bytes	relative information in the last received follow_up message			
gmPresent	4 bytes	whether grandmaster is present	time_source	rce 1 byte	the time source of the grand master
gmldentity	8 bytes	the grandmaster identity if gmPresent is 1			

Table IV.7 LinuxPTP TLV TIME_STATUS_NP

Table IV.8 LinuxPTP TLV GRANDMASTER_SETTINGS_NP

PTC_COMMAND_GET_INVENTORY_INFO

1) Function Description:

To retrieve the LiDAR inventory information

3) LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

 Description for Sending Data Package: Command Code: 0x7 Payload length: 0 byte

Fields	Length	Description
sn	18 bytes	the serial number of the device
date_of_manufacture	16 bytes	the date of manufacture string of the device in ASCII format yyyy-mm-dd
mac	6 bytes	the mac address of the device.
sw_ver	16 bytes	the software version of the device in ASCII format xx.xx.xx
hw_ver	16 bytes	the hardware version of the device in ASCII format
control_fw_ver	16 bytes	the control firmware version of the device in ASCII format
sensor_fw_ver	16 bytes	the sensor firmware version of the device in ASCII format
reserved	16 bytes	_

Table IV.9 LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

PTC_COMMAND_GET_CONFIG_INFO

1) Function Description:

To retrieve the LiDAR configuration parameters

2) Description for Sending Data Package: Command Code: 0x8 Payload length: 0 byte

3) LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

Fields	Length	Description
ipaddr	4 bytes	default 192.168.1.201 the configure IP address of the device
mask	4 bytes	default 255.255.255.0 the IP Mask of the device
gateway	4 bytes	default the default gateway of the device
dest_ipaddr	4 bytes	default 255.255.255.255 the destination IP address of the LiDAR point cloud data UDP packet
dest_lidar_udp_port	2 bytes	default 2368 the destination UDP port of the point could data packet
dest_gps_udp_port	2 bytes	default 10110 the destination UDP port of the GPS packet when the LiDAR is working with GPS input, valid only when 'clock_source' is 'GPS'
spin_rate	2 bytes	the configured rotation speed of the device
sync	1 byte	default 0 synchronizing the given angle (sync_angle) with the PPS of GPS or not 0-disabled 1-enabled
sync_angle	2 bytes	defulat 0
start_angle	2 bytes	default 0. the device device will report point cloud data with angle ranges between 'start_angle' and 'stop_angle'
stop_angle	2 bytes	default 36000, in unit of 100th degree

Fields	Length	Description
clock_source	1 byte	default 0–GSP the configure clock source, 0–GPS, 1–PTP
udp_seq	1 byte	default 0-off 0-off, 1-on. whether the point cloud data will include a UDP sequence number field
reserved	16 bytes	reserved for future

Table IV.10 LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

PTC_COMMAND_GET_LIDAR_STATUS

1) Function Description:

To retrieve the LiDAR temperature, system uptime etc information

2) Description for Sending Data Package: Command Code: 0x9 Payload length: 0 byte

3) LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

Fields	Length	Description	
system_uptime	4 bytes	the system uptime in seconds	
motor_speed	2 bytes	the real-time motor speed	
temperature	4*8 bytes	the real-time temperature array (unit: 0.01°C) 0 – bottom circuit board T1 1 – bottom circuit board T2 2 – laser emitting board RT_L 3 – receiving board RT_R	4 – receiving board RT2 5 – Top circuit RT3 6 – Top circuit RT4 7 – Top circuit RT5
reserved	16 bytes	-	

Table IV.11 LiDAR Response Message Payload Content

Appendix V

Data Structure with UDP Sequence On

When UDP sequence is ON, Point Cloud UDP Packet size changes from 1270 bytes to 1274 bytes, with additional information changes from 22 bytes to 26 bytes.



Figure V.1 Data Structure with UDP Sequence On

Here is the definition of point cloud data packet ethernet header, in which the UDP length 2 bytes changes to 0x0502 representing 1282 bytes.

		Ethernet Header: 42 bytes
Ethernet II MAC	12 bytes	Destination: Broadcast (0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF: 0xFF), Source: (xx:xx:xx:xx:xx)
Ethernet Data Packet Type	2 bytes	0x08, 0x00
Internet Protocol	20 bytes	Version, Header Length, Differentiated Services, Field, Total Length, Identification, Flags, Fragment Offset, Time to Live, Protocol, Header Checksum, Source IP Address, Destination IP Address
UDP Port Number	4 bytes	UDP source port (0x2710, represents 10000), destination port (0x0940, represents 2368)
UDP Length and Checksum	4 bytes	Length 2 bytes (0x0502, represents 1282 bytes), checksum 2 bytes

Table V.1 Point Cloud Data Packet Ethernet Header Definition

Tail changes to 26 bytes, adding 4 bytes UDP sequence number.

	Tail: 26 bytes						
Reserved	5 bytes	reserved data, meaningless					
High Temperature Shutdown Flag	1 byte	 0x01 means high temperature; 0x00 means normal operation during normal operation, shutdown flag keeps being 0x00 if high temperature is detected and system needs to be shut down, the shutdown flag will be set to 0x01, and the system will be shut down after 60 seconds. The flag keeps being 0x01 during the 60 seconds and shutdown period after the high temperature shutdown, the LiDAR temperature will decrease. When the system is not in high temperature status, the shutdown flag will be reset to 0x00 and the system can return to normal operation 					
Reserved	2 bytes	reserved data, meaningless					
Motor Speed	2 bytes	speed_2_bytes [15:0] = speed (RPM)					
GPS Timestamp	4 bytes	the packing time of this data packet, the unit is 1 $\mu s,$ value range 0 $\mu s-1000000~\mu s$ (1 s)					
Return Mode Information	1 byte	the strongest return (0x37), the last return (0x38), dual return (0x39)					
Factory Information	1 byte	0x42 (or 0x43)					
UTC	6 bytes	year, month, date, hour, minute, second, decimal digit					
UDP Sequence	4 bytes	added when UDP sequence feature is ON label the sequence number for UDP packet when LiDAR is sending point cloud data packet, the sequence number will label from 1 to 0xFFFFFFFF, the sequence is stored in Little Endian format					

Table V.2 Point Cloud Data UDP Packet-Tail

Appendix VI Phoenix Contact

Pandar20A/B can use Phoenix Contact (PN: SACC–M12FS–8CON–PG 9–SH) as the communication connector. The cable length from LiDAR exit to the tip of the connector is 0.3 m.



Pin #	Function	Color	Voltage
1	Ethernet RX-	Blue	-1V to 1V
2	Ethernet RX+	Light Blue (Blue/White)	-1V to 1V
3	Ethernet TX-	Orange	-1V to 1V
4	Ethernet TX+	Light Orange (Orange/White)	–1V to 1V
5	GPS Serial Data	White	-13V to +13V
6	GPS PPS	Yellow	3.3V/5V
7	+12V	Red	12V
8	Ground (Return)	Black	

Table VI.1 Phoenix Contact Description

Appendix VII

PandarView

PandarView is a software that is used to play and record the point cloud data. Installations are available on platforms: Windows 7x64/ Windows 8x64/Windows 10x64/Ubuntu-16.04. The installation package can be found in the provided USB disk in the LiDAR box.

1 PandarView Installation

Please install the PandarView and set the computer static IP address to 192.168. 1.100 before running.

Installation

System	Installation Files	Installation Steps	Finish Installation
Windows	r PandarView_Windows_V1.5.5.msi ⊮ python-2.7.13.msi	 Double-click on python_2.7.13 Double-click on PandarView_v1.5.5_Windows (install with default settings) 	Pandar.exe shortcut will show on the desktop after
Ubuntu–16.04	PandarView_Installer_V1.5.5.tar.gz	 Enter the following command at the terminal: sudo apt-get install qt4-default libboost-all-dev. Unzip the installation file Run PandarView_Installer.bin 	installation:

Table VII.1 PandarView Installation Steps

IP Configuration

Ubuntu-16.04:

The IP address can be configured on the terminal by using the ifconfig command:

~\$ sudo ifconfig enp0s20f0u2 192.168.1.100

Replace enp0s20f0u2 with the local network port name.

Windows:

- ① Open the Network Sharing Center, click on "Ethernet".
- ② In the "Ethernet Status" interface, click on "Properties" to proceed to the next interface.
- ③ Double-click on "Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)".
- ④ Configure the IP address to 192.168.1.100 and the subnet mask to 255.255.255.0, then click "OK" to finish configuration.

2 PandarView Instructions

Check Live Data

Run PandarView, click on 4° and select "General Lidar" to begin receiving data over Ethernet.

Windows: Double-click shortcut "Pandar" 🤗 and you will see an initial interface.

Ubuntu–16.04: Double–click the shortcut on the desktop (if you set "Run executable text files when they are opened"), or open the terminal, enter:

~/Desktop/PandarView to open the software.



Figure VII.1 Select LiDAR Model

Record Pcap Files

In real-time play mode, click on the icon \bigcirc to pop up the "Choose Output File" window. Click on "Save" to begin recording a pcap file.

After recording, click on \bigcirc again to stop recording the pcap file.

- 1	« Prog	gram Files (x86) > HesaiTechnolog	y > PandarView > PandarView >	bin	~ 0	Search bin		
Organize + Nev	folder						810 -	(
	* * * * *	Name	Date modified 12/14/2017 1:15 A_	Type File folder	Size			
File name:	2017-1	12-14-01-21-21_Hesai-Pandar40-Da	ta					-
Save as type:	pcap (*	.pcap)						

Figure VII.2 Choose Output File Window

Play Pcap Files

Click on the icon [] to open the "Choose Open File" window. Select the pcap file and click on the icon Open

Choose Open File									2
e 🖂 🗠 🛧 🍹	> This F	PC > Desktop	,			ΥÜ	Search Deskto	op	P
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Fil	le <u>n</u> ame:	2017-12-14-	01-24-20_Hesai-Pandar40-Data.pc	ap		~	pcap (*.pcap)		~

Figure VII.3 Choose Open File Window

Click on to play the pcap file and visualize point cloud data.



Figure VII.4 Ready to Play the Pcap File

Import Correction File

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ile	Tools	About	
	Open		,
	Close Da	ita	Ctrl+W
	Import (Correction File	
	ImportG	TCorrectionFile	
	Export C	Correction File	
	ExportG	TCorrectionFile	
	Exit		

Each LiDAR comes with a correction file (CSV) in the provided USB disk.

In the play mode, click on "File" in the upper left corner. Choose "Import Correction File" in the drop-down menu, select and open the correction file to display the calibrated point cloud.

NOTE PandarView 1.4.2 and above support to retrieve correction file from LiDAR automatically.

Figure VII.5 File Menu

Play Buttons

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Button	Description
K	Jump to beginning of the file.
€	 While paused, click to view point cloud data from previous frame. While playing, rewind (click again for different speeds, such as 2x, 3x, 1/2x, 1/4x, 1x speeds).
	 After the point cloud file has finished loading, click on ▶ to play. While playing, click on
•	 While paused, click to view point cloud data in next frame. While playing, forward (click again for different speeds, such as 2x, 3x, 1/2x, 1/4x, 1x speeds).
	Jump to end of the file.
	While playing pcap file, the recording button will be gray and unclickable.
₽	While playing pcap file, click on this button to loop playback, else playback will stop at the end of file.
3210 🗣	Progress bar: drag to control playback speed, or enter frame number to jump to the desired frame.

Table VII.2 Play Buttons Description

3 PandarView Features

View Direction Selection

Click on the following buttons to view the point cloud data from different directions.







Right POV

t POV

Front POV

Top POV

Figure VII.6 View Direction Selection

Mouse Shortcuts



Figure VII.7 Mouse Shortcuts

- 01. Slide scroll wheel to magnify/minimize
- 02. Drag while holding left button to adjust view angle
- 03. Drag while holding scroll wheel to pan

3D Projection Mode Switching

Perspective 💌

PandarView enables switching between two types of 3D projection methods (Orthogonal Projection and Perspective Projection) through the drop-down menu.

In Orthogonal Projection view, click on <u>"""</u>, thereafter while holding "Control" on the keyboard, select a point and hold down the left mouse button in order to create a spatial distance reference, in units of meters. Click on <u>""</u> again to cancel the distance reference.

Distance Reference Circle



Click on it to show/hide 12 gray distance reference circles. The corresponding actual distances are as shown above. The lower left axis shows the current viewing position. Click "Tools" to open "Grid Properties", where you can change the color and width of the circles.

Figure VII.8 Distance Reference Circle

Return Mode Return Mode: block1 Return -

Users can switch to different return modes using the "Return Mode" drop-down list: block1 return, block 2 return, and dual return.

Point Cloud Data Selection



Users can click on to display or hide point cloud data from any selected laser channels. Clicking on this icon will pop up the following interface. Click on again to close the interface.

			₽×
	Channel	Elevation	Azimuth
	1	8.059	-1.042
\checkmark	2	5.057	-1.042
\checkmark	3	3.04	-1.042
\checkmark	4	2.028	-1.042
\checkmark	5	1.688	3.125
\checkmark	6	1.013	-1.042
\checkmark	7	0.337	-5.208
\checkmark	8	-0.337	3.125
\checkmark	9	-1.013	-1.042

Figure VII.9 Channel Display

Click on the left-side checkboxes to show/hide any given channel's display. Check the "Enable/Disable all" option in the bottom left corner to show/hide all channels at once. Click on it to select visible points. Users can hold down the left button to box a certain area for selection. The selected points will be highlighted. Click on to view detailed data of the selected point cloud. Click on again, select an area outside of the point cloud data to deselect.

Show	Showing Data 🔻 Attribute: Point Data 👻 Precision: 3 🕏 F 🗔 🌐 🧾 💋									
	Point ID	Points	azimuth	distance_m	elevation	intensity	laser_id	timestamp		
0	27987	12.795	139.800	21.224	-0.337	7	7	433863		
1	28027	12.702	140.000	21.168	-0.337	9	7	433863		
2	28067	12.588	140.200	21.076	-0.337	12	7	433863		
3	28087	12.481	140.400	20.996	-0.337	8	7	434417		
4	28107	12.481	140.400	20.996	-0.337	8	7	434417		
5	28187	12.304	140.800	20.896	-0.337	3	7	434417		
6	28360	12.637	141.800	20.176	8.059	15	0	434417		
7	28380	12.637	141.800	20.176	8.059	15	0	434417		
8	28400	12.546	142.000	20.116	8.059	20	0	434417		
9	28420	12.546	142.000	20.116	8.059	20	0	434417		
10	28424	12.743	142.000	22.296	1.688	4	4	434417		

Figure VII.10 Detailed Data of Selected Point Cloud

The main data shown about the points are their id, x, y and z values, angle, distance, reflectivity, corresponding channel id and timestamp (μ s) information.

Click 🔒 to compensate the azimuth error caused by the delay of laser activation.

Color Schemes



By clicking on , users can see the current color scheme in the lower right corner. The drop-down list is used to choose different color schemes. The default color scheme of point cloud is drawing according to the intensity. Users can choose azimuth, distance, laser_id, or timestamp as the color scheme as well.



Figure VII.11 Current Color Scheme



 Click on here to open "Color Editor", where users can customize colors. Click the button again to close the color editor.

Figure VII.12 Color Editor

PandarView Software Version

Click "About" in the upper left corner to check the software version.



Figure VII.13 PandarView Softeware Version

Appendix VIII

FCC Statement

FCC ID: 2ASO2PANDAR

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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Appendix IV

Support and Contact

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