CSS-01,02 Coarse Sun Sensors

Space Micro celebrates its 14-year anniversary in 2016 and continues to support the Space Industry with innovative, affordable and high performance Digital/Image Processing, RF Communication and Attitude Determination Sensor Products.

Space Micro's Coarse Sun Sensor is a very low-cost, high reliability device with >20 years of flight heritage. They are designed to provide attitude determination information during various mission modes including launch vehicle separation, initial attitude acquisition, emergencies and off-nominal modes. They can also provide coarse sun vector determination as a backup to higher resolution sensors.

The Coarse Sun Sensor contains a single photodiode, with the housing assembly also serving as an aperture. The inexpensive, lightweight sensor (only 20g) draws no power and has an accuracy of better than ±5 degrees over a full angle 120 degree field of view. Sensors are available in panel mount or through-hole configurations.

The Coarse Sun Sensors have flown successfully on multiple spacecraft, including ALEXIS, HETE, MOST, CHIPSat, STPSat-1. and are compatible with virtually all launch environments.

FEATURES

- >20 Years of Flight Heritage
- Very low size and weight
- Compatible with all launch environments
- Standard lead time and pricing
- Back (CSS-01) and front (CSS-02) mount configurations
- Simple reliable design





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SPECIFICATIONS

Field of View 120° full-angle circular field of view

Accuracy ±5° of 1-axis knowledge

Temperature Range -40 to +93°C

Vibration Test Levels 14.1 grms

Shock Test Levels 60g protoqual

Interface 0 to 3.5 mA (typical) current sources on two flying

leads: 50" (1.27m) in length, M22759/ 33-26, 26

AWG wire

Mounting Three #2 through holes, 120° apart on a .700" (1.78

cm) diameter pattern (See Figure below).

Power None required

Size

Housing diameter .500" (1.27cm)

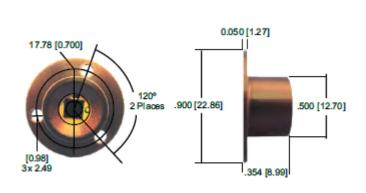
Flange diameter .900" (2.286 cm)

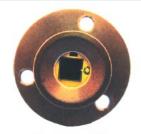
Sensor height 0.354" (.899 cm)

Volume 0.500" (1.27 cm) diameter × .354" (0.90 cm) height

Mass 0.022 lbs (10g) with 1.27 cm flying leads

DIMENSIONS





Single Photodiode with Housing Serving as Aperture

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