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1/ Introduction

This document¹ describes the hardware of the ALAS66A products listed in [Section 1.1.](#) It helps you quickly retrieve interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details and information on the requirements to be considered for integrating further components.

1.1. Product Variants

This document applies to the following Kontron modules:

- › ALAS66A-W (v01.290)
- › ALAS66A-CN (v01.290)
- › ALAS66A-E (v01.290)
- › ALAS66A-US (v01.290)
- › ALAS66A-J (v01.290)
- › ALAS66A-K (v01.290)

Where necessary a note is made to differentiate between the various product variants and releases.

¹ The document is effective only if listed in the appropriate Release Notes as part of the technical documentation delivered with your Kontron IoT product.

1.2. Key Features at a Glance

Feature	Implementation
<i>General</i>	
Frequency bands	Note: Not all of the frequency bands (and 3GPP technologies) mentioned throughout this document are supported by every ALAS66A products variant. Please refer to Section 1.2.1 for an overview of the frequency bands supported by each ALAS66A product variant.
GSM class	Small MS
Output power (according to Release 99)	GSM/GPRS/UMTS: Class 4 (+33dBm ±2dB) for EGSM850 and EGSM900 Class 1 (+30dBm ±2dB) for GSM1800 and GSM1900 Class E2 (+27dBm ± 3dB) for GSM 850 8-PSK and GSM 900 8-PSK Class E2 (+26dBm +3 /-4dB) for GSM 1800 8-PSK and GSM 1900 8-PSK Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for all supported WCDMA FDD bands
Output power (according to Release 4)	TD-SCDMA: Class 2 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for TD-SCDMA 1900, TD-SCDMA Bd39 and TD-SCDMA 2000, TD-SCDMA Bd34
Output power (according to Release 8)	LTE (FDD): Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for all supported LTE FDD bands LTE (TDD): Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for all supported LTE TDD bands
Power supply	$3.3V \leq V_{BATT+} \leq 4.2V$
Operating temperature (board temperature)	Normal operation: -30°C to +85°C Restricted operation: -40°C to +95°C
Physical	Dimensions: 48mm x 36mm x 3mm Weight: approx. 10.5g
RoHS	All hardware components fully compliant with EU RoHS Directive
<i>LTE features</i>	
LTE Advanced up to 3GPP Release 11 LTE Advanced Pro up to 3GPP Release 12, 13	Downlink carrier aggregation (CA) to increase bandwidth, and thereby increase bitrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Maximum aggregated bandwidth: 80MHz › Maximum number of component carriers: 4 › Inter-band FDD, TDD › Intra-band FDD, TDD, contiguous, non-contiguous › Supported inter- and intra-band CA configurations: See Section 1.2.2.. <p>If 4x4 MIMO is supported by the mobile network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Downlink: Up to 1Gbps CAT 16 with 4x4 MIMO 2 CA DL + 4(2)x2 MIMO 1 CA DL or up to 800Mbps CAT 15 with 4x4 MIMO 2 CA DL › Uplink: Up to 150Mbps CAT 13 with 2 CA UL <p>If 4(2)x2 MIMO is supported by the mobile network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Downlink: Up to 800Mbps CAT 15 with 4 CA DL › Uplink: Up to 150Mbps CAT 13 with 2 CA UL
<i>HSPA features</i>	
3GPP Release 8	UE CAT. 14, 24 DC-HSPA+ – DL 42Mbps HSUPA – UL 5.76Mbps Compressed mode (CM) supported according to 3GPP TS25.212

Feature	Implementation
<i>UMTS features</i>	
3GPP Release 8	PS data rate – 384 kbps DL / 384 kbps UL
<i>TD-SCDMA features</i>	
3GPP Release 4	2.8 Mbps DL / 2.2Mbps UL
<i>GSM / GPRS / EGPRS features</i>	
Data transfer	GPRS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Multislot Class 12 › Mobile Station Class B › Coding Scheme 1 – 4 EGPRS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Multislot Class 12 › EDGE E2 power class for 8 PSK › Downlink coding schemes – CS 1-4, MCS 1-9 › Uplink coding schemes – CS 1-4, MCS 1-9 › SRB loopback and test mode B › 8-bit, 11-bit RACH › 1 phase/2 phase access procedures › Link adaptation and IR › NACC, extended UL TBF › Mobile Station Class B
SMS	Point-to-point MT and MO, Cell broadcast, Text and PDU mode
<i>Software</i>	
Embedded Linux platform	Embedded Linux with API (ARC, RIL). Memory space available for Linux applications is 4GB in the flash file system, and 2GB RAM.
SIM Application Toolkit	SAT Release 99, letter classes b, c, e with BIP and RunAT support
Firmware update	Linux controlled firmware update.
<i>GNSS Features</i>	
Protocol	NMEA
Modes	Standalone GNSS (GPS, GLONASS, Beidou, Galileo) Integrated gpsOne 9HT support (GPS, GLONASS, Beidou, Galileo) QZSS and SBAS support
General	Power saving modes DC feed bridge and control of power supply for active antenna via GPIO
<i>Interfaces</i>	
Module interface	Surface mount device with solderable connection pads (SMT application interface). Land grid array (LGA) technology ensures high solder joint reliability and provides the possibility to use an optional module mounting socket. For more information on how to integrate SMT modules see also [2]. This application note comprises chapters on module mounting and application layout issues as well as on additional SMT application development equipment.
Antenna	50Ω. 2 GSM/UMTS/LTE main antennas, 2 LTE Diversity/MIMO antennas, (active/passive) GNSS antenna
USB	USB 2.0 High Speed (480Mbit/s) device interface or USB 3.0 Super Speed (5Gbit/s) device interface for debugging purposes

Feature	Implementation
Serial interface	Linux controlled: ASC0: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › 4-wire (8-wire prepared) (plus GND line) interface unbalanced, asynchronous › Fixed baud rates from 115,200 to 921,600bps › Supports RTS0/CTS0 hardware flow control ASC1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › 4-wire, unbalanced asynchronous interface › Fixed baud rates: 115,200bps to 921,60bps › Supports RTS1/CTS1 hardware flow control ASC2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › 2-wire, unbalanced asynchronous interface at GPIO9 (RXD2) and GPIO10 (TXD2) lines used for debugging purposes (optional)
UICC interface	Supported chip cards: UICC/SIM/USIM 2.85V, 1.8V
I ² C interfaces	Linux controlled: 2 I ² C interfaces
Audio	1 digital interface (I ² S)
<i>Power on/off, Reset</i>	
Power on/off	Switch-on by hardware signal IGT Automatic switch-off in case of critical temperature or voltage conditions
Emergency-off	Emergency-off by hardware signal EMERG_OFF
<i>Special Features</i>	
Antenna	SAIC (Single Antenna Interference Cancellation) / DARP (Downlink Advanced Receiver Performance) Rx Diversity (receiver type 3i - 64-QAM) / MIMO HORxD (Higher Order Receive Diversity) with up to 4 antennas
GPIO	Linux controlled: 18 I/O pins of the application interface programmable as GPIO.
External antenna switch	3 GPIOs permanently configured as optional external antenna switch interface.
Emergency call handling	EU eCall 3GPP Release 10 compliant (modem and GNSS) ERA compliant (modem and GNSS)
ADC inputs	Linux controlled: Analog-to-Digital Converter with unbalanced analog inputs for example for (external) antenna diagnosis
JTAG	JTAG interface for debug purposes
eMMC	Linux controlled: Embedded Multi-Media Card interface
PCIe	Linux controlled: PCIe 2.0 Root Complex (Host) interface
<i>Evaluation kit</i>	
Evaluation module	ALAS66A module soldered onto a dedicated PCB.

1.2.1. Supported Frequency Bands

The following table lists the supported frequency bands for each of the ALAS66A product variants mentioned in [Section 1.1.](#)

Table 1: Supported frequency bands for each ALAS66A variant

Band	-W	-CN	-E	-US	-J	-K
<i>GSM/GPRS/EDGE</i>						
850MHz	x			x	x	x
900MHz	x	x	x	x	x	x
1800MHz	x	x	x	x	x	x
1900MHz	x			x	x	x
<i>UMTS/HSPA</i>						
Bd.I (2100MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.II (1900MHz)				x		
Bd.III (1800MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.IV (1700MHz)				x		
Bd.V (850MHz)	x			x	x	x
Bd.VI (850MHz)	x				x	x
Bd.VIII (900MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.XIX (850MHz)	x				x	x
<i>TD-SCDMA</i>						
Bd.34 (2000MHz)		x				
Bd.39 (1900MHz)		x				
<i>LTE-FDD¹</i>						
Bd.1 (2100MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.2 (1900MHz)				x		
Bd.3 (1800MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.4 (1700MHz)				x		
Bd.5 (850MHz)	x			x	x	x
Bd.7 (2600MHz)	x	x	x	x	x	x
Bd.8 (900MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.12 (700MHz)				x		
Bd.13 (700MHz)				x		
Bd.18 (850MHz)	x				x	x
Bd.19 (850MHz)	x				x	x
Bd.20 (800MHz)	x		x		x	x
Bd.26 (850MHz)	x				x	x
Bd.28 (700MHz)	x		x	x	x	x
Bd.29 (700MHz) <supplementary down-link>				x		
Bd.30 (2300MHz) ² <supplementary down-link only acc. FCC regulation>				x		

Table 1: Supported frequency bands for each ALAS66A variant

Band	-W	-CN	-E	-US	-J	-K
Bd.32 (1500MHz) <supplementary down-link>	x		x		x	x
Bd.66 (1700MHz) ³				x		
<i>LTE-TDD⁴</i>						
Bd.34 (2000MHz)	x	x			x	x
Bd.38 (2600MHz)	x	x	x		x	x
Bd.39 (1900MHz)	x	x			x	x
Bd.40 (2300MHz)	x	x			x	x
Bd.41 (2600MHz) ⁵	x	x			x	x

¹ Bd.5, Bd.8, Bd.29, and Bd.32 support 2x2 MIMO only, whereas Bd.1, Bd.2, Bd.3, Bd.4, Bd.7, and Bd.66 support 4x4 MIMO in downlink. Also, Bd.2, Bd.3, Bd.4, Bd.5, Bd.8, Bd.12, Bd.13, Bd.18, Bd.19, Bd.20, Bd.26, Bd.28 support 4 antenna RX Diversity (HoRXD).

² Band 30 support is disabled by means of software due to AT&T advice.

³ With the Band 66 support, the frequency ranges 1755-1780 MHz and 2155-2180 MHz derived from pairing the 1710-1780 and 2110-2180 MHz frequency bands are compliant with §§27.5(h) and 27.75.

⁴ Bd.34 supports 2x2 MIMO only, whereas Bd.38, Bd.39, Bd.40, and Bd.41 support 4x4 MIMO in downlink.

⁵ **Note:** Out of the 3GPP specified frequency range for LTE Band 41, only that part which is used in China and Japan (2545MHz to 2655MHz) is supported by ALAS66A. Therefore, support for Band 41 is disabled by means of software in ALAS66A-W and ALAS66A-K variants.

1.2.2. Supported CA Configurations

The following table lists the supported CA configurations (aka supported band combinations) for each of the ALAS66A product variants mentioned in [Section 1.1.](#)

Table 2: Supported CA configurations

Downlink CA	Downlink (4x4 MIMO)	Uplink CA	Bandwidth combination set	Product variants (ALAS66A-...)
<i>Intra-band continuous</i>				
CA_1C	1C	-	0, 1	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_2C	2C	-	0	US
CA_3C	3C	CA_3C	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_5B	-	-	0, 1	US, W, J, K
CA_7B	7B	-	0	E, US, W, CN, J, K
CA_7C	7C	CA_7C	0, 1, 2	E, US, W, CN, J, K
CA_8B	-	-	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_12B	-	-	0	US
CA_38C	38C	CA_38C	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_40C	40C	CA_40C	0, 1	W, CN, J, K
CA_40D	-	-	0, 1	W, CN, J, K
CA_41C	41C	CA_41C	0, 1, 2, 3	CN, J
CA_41D	-	CA_41C	0	CN, J
CA_66B	66B	-	0	US
CA_66C	66C	-	0	US
<i>Intra-band non-continuous</i>				
CA_2A-2A	2A-2A	-	0	US
CA_4A-4A	4A-4A	-	0, 1	US
CA_66A-66A	66A-66A	-	0	US

Table 2: Supported CA configurations

Downlink CA	Downlink (4x4 MIMO)	Uplink CA	Bandwidth combination set	Product variants (ALAS66A-...)
<i>Inter-band (two bands)</i>				
CA_1A-3A	-	-	0, 1	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-3C	-	CA_3C	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-5A	1A	CA_1A-5A	0, 1	W
CA_1A-7A	-	-	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-8A	1A	CA_1A-8A	0, 1, 2	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-18A	1A	CA_1A-18A	0, 1	W, J, K
CA_1A-19A	1A	-	0	W, J, K
CA_1A-20A	1A	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-26A	1A	CA_1A-26A	0, 1	W, J, K
CA_1A-28A	1A	CA_1A-28A	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_2A-2A-4A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-4A-4A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-5A	2A	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-12A	2A	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-13A	2A	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-4A	-	-	0, 1, 2	US
CA_2A-4A-4A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-5A	2A	-	0, 1	US
CA_2A-12A	2A	-	0, 1, 2	US
CA_2A-12B	2A	-	0	US
CA_2A-13A	2A	-	0, 1	US
CA_2A-28A	2A	-	0	US
CA_2A-29A	2A	-	0, 1, 2	US
CA_2A-66A	-	-	0, 1, 2	US
CA_2A-66A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2C-5A	2C	-	0	US
CA_2C-12A	2C	-	0	US
CA_2C-29A	2C	-	0	US
CA_3A-3A-8A	3A	CA_7C	0, 1	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-5A	3A	CA_3A-8A	0, 1, 2, 3, 4	W, J, K
CA_3A-7A	-	-	0, 1	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-7B	-	CA_3A-20A	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-7C	-	-	0, 1	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-8A	3A	-	0, 1, 2, 3	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-19A	3A	-	0	W, J, K
CA_3A-20A	3A	CA_3C	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_3A-26A	3A	-	0, 1	W, J, K
CA_3A-28A	3A	CA_3A-20A	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_3C-5A	3C	-	0	W, J, K
CA_3C-7A	-	-	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3C-7C	-	-	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_3C-8A	-	CA_3C-8A, CA_3C	0	W, J, K
CA_3C-20A	3C	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_3C-28A	3C	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_4A-4A-5A	4A	-	0	US

Table 2: Supported CA configurations

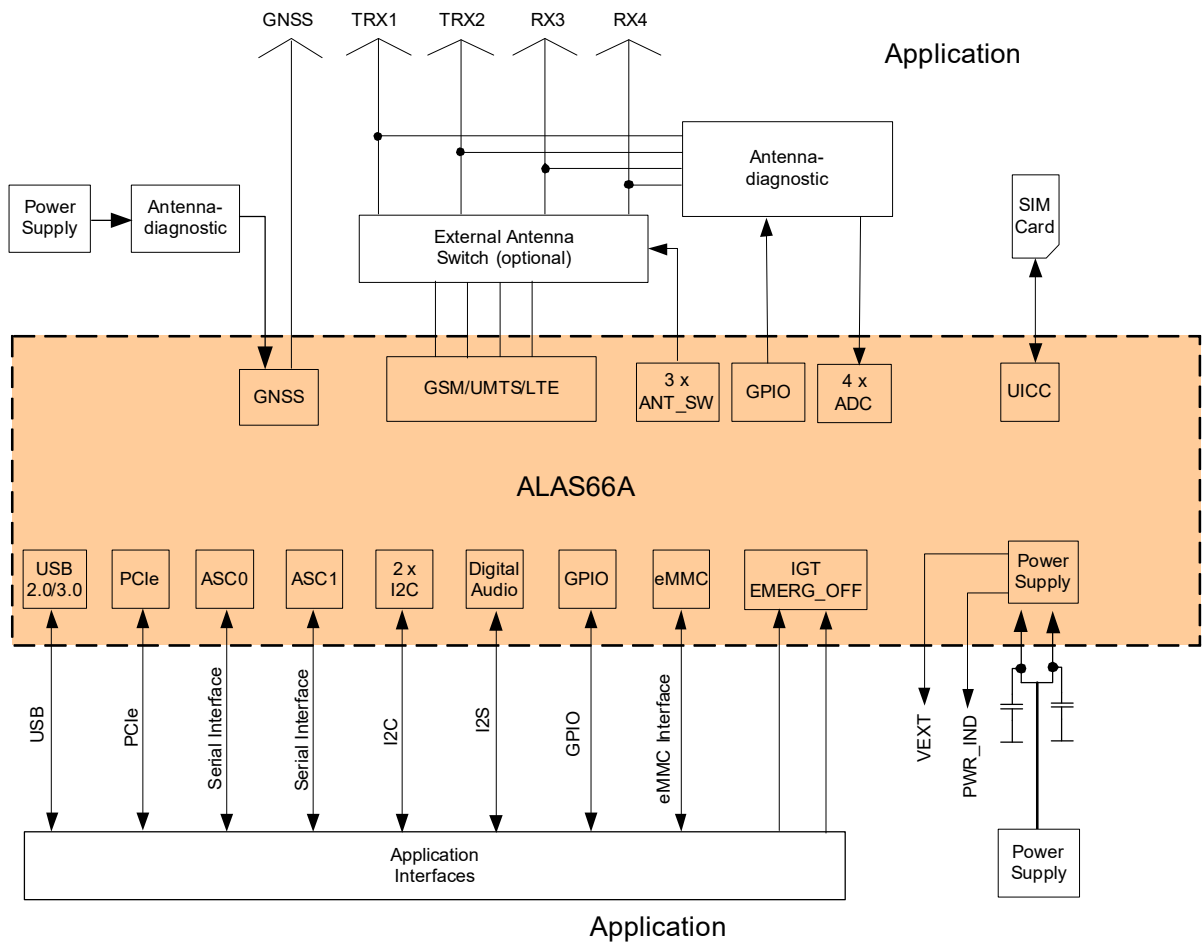
Downlink CA	Downlink (4x4 MIMO)	Uplink CA	Bandwidth combination set	Product variants (ALAS66A-...)
CA_4A-4A-7A	-	-	0, 1	US
CA_4A-4A-12A	4A	-	0	US
CA_4A-4A-13A	4A	-	0	US
CA_4A-5A	4A	-	0, 1	US
CA_4A-7A	-	-	0, 1	US
CA_4A-12A	4A	-	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	US
CA_4A-12B	4A	-	0	US
CA_4A-13A	4A	-	0, 1	US
CA_4A-28A	-	-	0	US
CA_4A-29A	4A	-	0, 1, 2	US
CA_5A-7A	7A	CA_5A-7A	0, 1	US, W, J, K
CA_5A-12A	-	-	0	US
CA_5A-66A	66A	-	0	US
CA_5A-66A-66A	66A	-	0	US
CA_7A-8A	7A	-	0, 1, 2	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_7A-12A	7A	-	0	US
CA_7A-20A	7A	CA_7A-20A	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_7A-28A	7A	-	0, 1	E, US, W, J, K
CA_7B-28A	7B	-	0	E, US, W, J, K
CA_7C-28A	7C	CA_7C	0	E, US, W, J, K
CA_8A-20A	-	-	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_12A-66A	66A	-	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	US
CA_12A-66A-66A	66A	-	0	US
CA_13A-66A	66A	-	0	US
CA_13A-66A-66A	66A	-	0	US
CA_18A-28A	-	-	0	W, J, K
CA_20A-32A	-	-	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_39A-41A	-	-	0	CN
CA_39A-41C	-	CA_41C	0	CN
CA_39C-41A	-	CA_39C	0	CN
<i>Inter-band (three bands)</i>				
CA_1A-3A-5A	-	CA_1A-5A, CA_3A-5A	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-3A-8A	-	CA_1A-8A, CA_3A-8A	0, 1, 2, 3	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-3A-19A	-	-	0	W, J, K
CA_1A-3A-20A	-	CA_3A-20A	0	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-3A-26A	-	-	0	W, J, K
CA_1A-3A-28A	-	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-5A-7A	-	CA_1A-5A, CA_5A-7A	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-7A-8A	-	-	0	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_1A-7A-20A	-	-	0, 1	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-7A-28A	-	-	0, 1, 2	E, W, J, K
CA_1A-18A-28A	1A	-	0, 1	W, J, K
CA_1A-19A-28A	-	-	0	W, J, K
CA_2A-2A-4A-12A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-2A-12A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-4A-4A-12A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-4A-5A	-	-	0	US

Table 2: Supported CA configurations

Downlink CA	Downlink (4x4 MIMO)	Uplink CA	Bandwidth combination set	Product variants (ALAS66A-...)
CA_2A-4A-12A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-4A-13A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-4A-29A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-5A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-12A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-12A-66A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_2A-13A-66A	-	-	0	US
CA_3A-7A-8A	-	CA_3A-8A	0, 1, 2	E, W, CN, J, K
CA_3A-7A-28A	-	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_3A-7C-28A	-	-	0	E, W, J, K
CA_4A-7A-12A	-	-	0, 1	US

1.3. System Overview

Figure 1: ALAS66A system overview



1.4. Circuit Concept

Figure 2 shows a block diagram of the ALAS66A module and illustrates the major functional components:

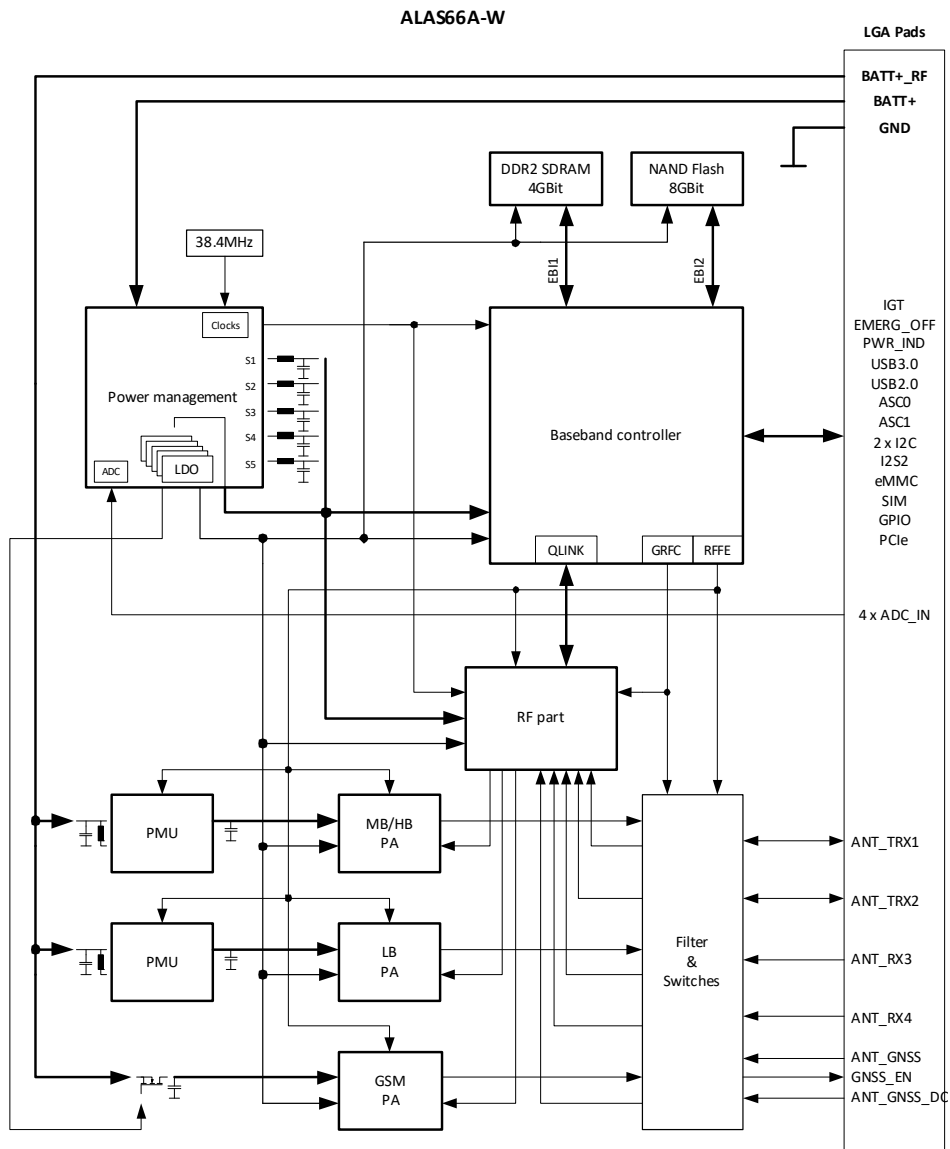
Baseband block:

- › GSM/UMTS/LTE controller/transceiver/power supply
- › NAND/LPDDR2 memory devices
- › Application interface (SMT with connecting pads)

RF section:

- › RF transceiver
- › RF power amplifier/frontend
- › RF filter
- › GNSS receiver/Front end
- › Antenna pad

Figure 2: ALAS66A block diagram



2/ Interface Characteristics

ALAS66A is equipped with an SMT application interface that connects to the external application. The SMT application interface incorporates the various application interfaces as well as the RF antenna interface.


2.1. Application Interface

2.1.1. Pad Assignment

The SMT application interface on the ALAS66A provides connecting pads to integrate the module into external applications. [Table 3](#) lists the pads' assignments. [Figure 3](#) (bottom view) and [Figure 4](#) (top view) show the connecting pads' numbering plan.

Please note that a number of connecting pads are marked as reserved for future use (rfu) and further qualified as either (<name>), (dnu), (GND) or (nc):

- ▶ Pads marked as "rfu" and qualified as "<name>" (signal name) may be soldered and could be connected to an external application compliant to the signals' electrical characteristics as described in [Table 4](#).
- ▶ Pads marked "rfu" and qualified as "dnu" (do not use) may be soldered but should not be connected to an external application.
- ▶ Pads marked "rfu" and qualified as "GND" (ground) are assigned to ground with ALAS66A modules, but may have different assignments with future Kontron products using the same pad layout.
- ▶ Pads marked "rfu" and qualified as "nc" (not connected) are internally not connected with ALAS66A modules, but may be soldered and arbitrarily be connected to external ground.

Also note that some pads are marked with a circle (). These pads have a round shape for improved impedance control.

Kontron strongly recommends to solder all connecting pads for mechanical stability and heat dissipation.

Also, Kontron strongly recommends to provide test points for certain signal lines to and from the module while developing SMT applications – for debug and/or test purposes during the manufacturing process. In this way it is possible to detect soldering problems. Please refer to [\[2\]](#) for more information on test points and how to implement them. The signal lines for which test points should be provided for are marked as "Test point required" or "Test point recommended" in [Section 2.1.2.:](#) [Table 4](#) describing signal characteristics.

Table 3: Overview: Pad assignments

Pad No.	Signal Name	Pad No.	Signal Name	Pad No.	Signal Name
A1	GND	E15	rfu (dnu)	M8	JTAG_WD_DISABLE
A2	GND	E16	rfu (dnu)	M9	I2CDAT1
A5	GND	E17	rfu (dnu)	M10	I2CCLK1
A6	GND	E18	VEXT	M11	I2CDAT2
A7	ANT_RX3	E19	rfu (dnu)	M12	I2CCLK2
A8	GND	E20	BATT+	M13	EMMC_D6
A9	GND	E21	GND	M14	EMMC_D1
A10	GND	F2	ANT_TRX2	M15	GPIO22 (Interrupt)
A11	ANT_RX4	F3	GND	M16	USB_DP
A12	GND	F4	GND	M17	USB_DN
A13	GND	F5	GND	M18	rfu (dnu)
A14	GND	F6	rfu (dnu)	M19	CCCLK
A15	ANT_GNSS	F7	rfu (dnu)	M20	GPIO8 (Interrupt)
A16	GND	F8	rfu (nc)	M21	GND
A17	ANT_GNSS_DC	F14	rfu (nc)	N3	GND
A20	GND	F15	GND	N4	GND
A21	GND	F16	EMERG_OFF	N5	GND
B4	rfu (dnu)	F17	GPIO18 / DSR0	N6	GND
B5	GND	F18	RXD0	N7	FSC2
B6	GND	F19	GPIO21 / DTR0	N8	DOUT2
B7	GND	F20	BATT+	N9	DIN2
B8	GND	G2	GND	N10	BCLK2
B9	GND	G3	GND	N11	GND
B10	GND	G4	GND	N12	EMMC_D4
B11	GND	G5	GND	N13	EMMC_D5
B12	GND	G6	rfu (dnu)	N14	EMMC_D2
B13	GND	G16	GND	N15	EMMC_D0
B14	GND	G17	GND	N16	GND
B15	GND	G18	GPIO20 / DCD0 / Download	N17	GND
B16	GND	G19	CTS0	N18	rfu (dnu)
B17	GND	G20	RTS0	N19	CCIN
B18	rfu (dnu)	H2	GND	P1	GND
C1	GND	H3	GND	P2	GND
C2	GND	H4	GND	P4	BATT+_RF
C4	GND	H5	GND	P5	BATT+_RF
C5	GND	H6	GND	P6	GPIO5 (Interrupt)
C6	GND	H16	USB_SSTX_P	P7	rfu (DIN1)
C7	GND	H17	USB_SSTX_N	P8	rfu (DOUT1)
C8	GND	H18	GPIO6 (Interrupt)	P9	rfu (BCLK1)
C9	GND	H19	TXD0	P10	rfu (FSC1)
C10	GND	H20	rfu (BATT_ID)	P11	rfu (MCLK)
C11	GND	J2	GND	P12	EMMC_D7
C12	GND	J3	GND	P13	EMMC_CMD
C13	GND	J4	GND	P14	EMMC_D3
C14	GND	J5	GND	P15	EMMC_CLK
C15	GND	J6	rfu (dnu)	P16	PCIE_CLK_P
C16	GND	J16	GND	P17	PCIE_CLK_N
C17	HEART_BEAT	J17	GND	P18	VUSB_IN
C18	JTAG_TCK	J18	rfu (dnu)	P20	GND
C20	GND	J19	CCIO	P21	GND
C21	GND	J20	GPIO19 / RING0	R5	PWR_IND
D3	GND	K2	GND	R6	RTS1
D4	GND	K3	GND	R7	CTS1
D5	GND	K4	GND	R8	TXD1
D6	GND	K5	GND	R9	RXD1
D7	rfu (dnu)	K6	rfu (dnu)	R10	PCIE_HOST_WAKE
D8	ADC4_IN	K16	USB_SSRX_P	R11	PCIE_HOST_RST
D9	ADC5_IN	K17	USB_SSRX_N	R12	GND
D10	ADC1_IN	K18	rfu (dnu)	R13	GND
D11	ADC2_IN	K19	CCVCC	R14	PCIE_CLK_REQ
D12	GPIO11	K20	rfu (dnu)	R15	GND
D13	GNSS_EN	L2	ANT_TRX1	R16	GND
D14	JTAG_TMS	L3	GND	R17	GPIO16 (Interrupt)
D15	JTAG_TRST	L4	GND	T1	GND
D16	JTAG_TDI	L5	GND	T2	GND
D17	JTAG_SRST	L6	rfu (dnu)	T5	rfu (dnu)
D18	JTAG_TDO	L7	EMMC_DETECT	T6	rfu (dnu)
D19	IGT	L8	rfu (nc)	T7	GPIO2 / FwSwap (Interrupt)
E1	GND	L14	rfu (nc)	T8	GPIO10 / TXD2 (Interrupt)
E2	GND	L15	EMMC_PWR	T9	GPIO15 / WLAN_EN
E3	GND	L16	GND	T10	GPIO9 / RXD2
E4	GND	L17	GND	T11	GND
E5	GND	L18	rfu (dnu)	T12	PCIE_RX_P
E6	GND	L19	CCRST	T13	PCIE_RX_N
E7	rfu (dnu)	L20	GPIO4	T14	GND
E8	GPIO1/ DR_SYNC	M1	GND	T15	PCIE_TX_P
E9	GPIO7 (Interrupt)	M2	GND	T16	PCIE_TX_N
E10	ANT_SW3	M3	GND	T17	GND
E11	ANT_SW2	M4	GND	T20	GND
E12	ANT_SW1	M5	GND	T21	GND
E13	JTAG_PS_HOLD	M6	GND		
E14	rfu (dnu)	M7	GPIO17 / BT_EN		

Figure 3: ALAS66A bottom view: Pad assignments

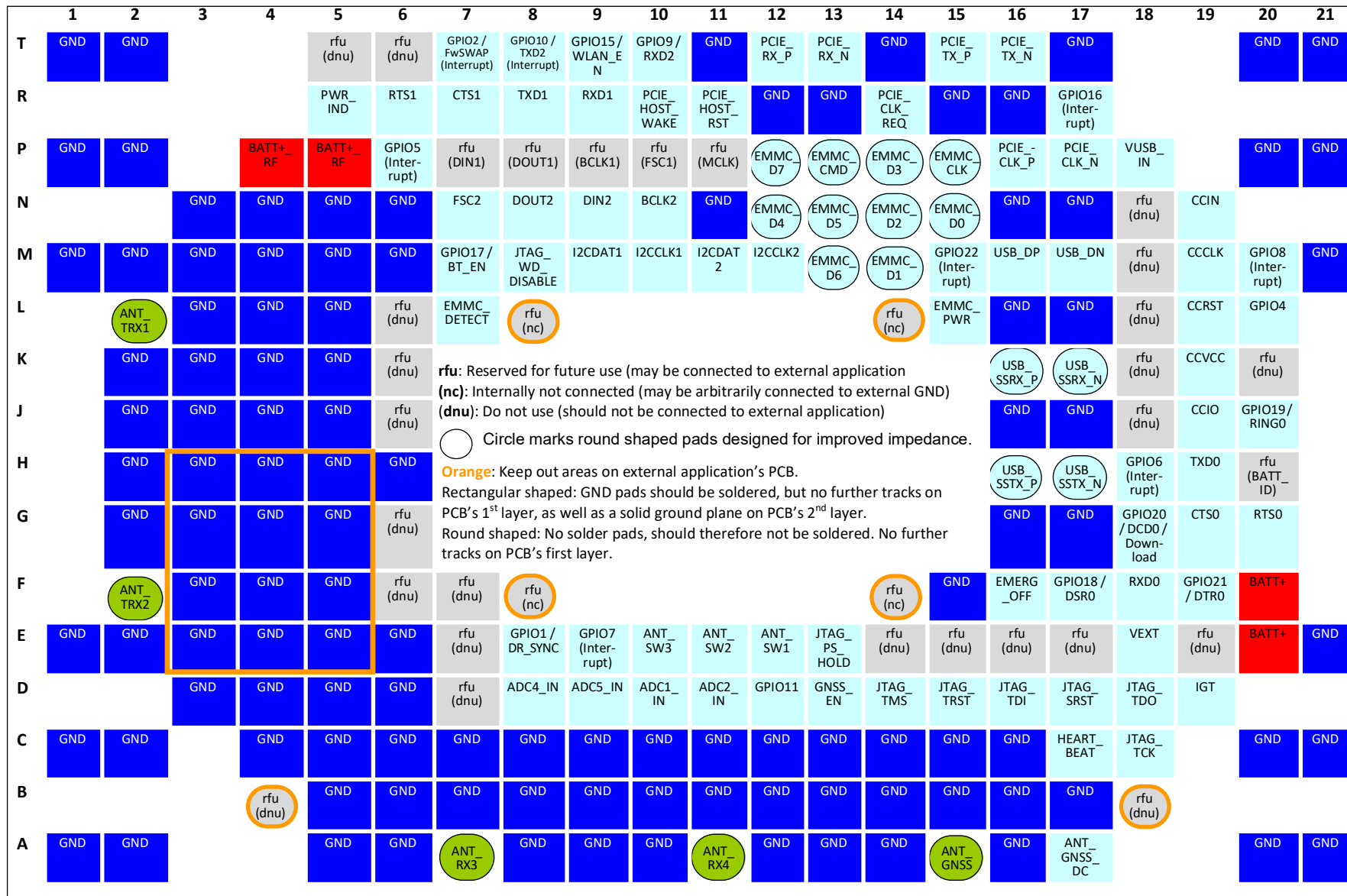


Figure 4: ALAS66A top view: Pad assignments

	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
T	GND	GND			GND	PCIE_TX_N	PCIE_TX_P	GND	PCIE_RX_N	PCIE_RX_P	GND	GPIO9 / RXD2	GPIO15 / WLAN_EN	GPIO10 / TXD2 (Interrupt)	GPIO2 / FwSwap (Interrupt)	rfu (dnu)	rfu (dnu)			GND	GND
R					GPIO16 (Interrupt)	GND	GND	PCIE_CLK_REQ	GND	GND	PCIE_HOST_RST	PCIE_HOST_WAKE	RXD1	TXD1	CTS1	RTS1	PWR_IND				
P	GND	GND		VUSB_IN	PCIE_CLK_N	PCIE_CLK_P	EMMC_CLK	EMMC_D3	EMMC_CMD	EMMC_D7	rfu (MCLK)	rfu (FSC1)	rfu (BCLK1)	rfu (DOUT1)	rfu (DIN1)	GPIO5 (Interrupt)	BATT+_RF	BATT+_RF		GND	GND
N			CCIN	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	EMMC_D0	EMMC_D2	EMMC_D5	EMMC_D4	GND	BCLK2	DIN2	DOUT2	FSC2	GND	GND	GND	GND		
M	GND	GPIO8 (Interrupt)	CCCLK	rfu (dnu)	USB_DN	USB_DP	GPIO22 (Interrupt)	EMMC_D1	EMMC_D6	I2CCLK2	I2CDAT2	I2CCLK1	I2CDAT1	JTAG_WD_DISABLE	GPIO17 / BT_EN	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND
L		GPIO4	CCRST	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	EMMC_PWR	rfu (nc)						JTAG_DISABLE	EMMC_DETECT	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND		ANT_TRX1
K		rfu (dnu)	CCVCC	rfu (dnu)	USB_SSRX_N	USB_SSRX_P										rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	
J		GPIO19 / RINGO	CCIO	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND										rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	
H		rfu (BATT_ID)	TXD0	GPIO6 (Interrupt)	USB_SSTX_N	USB_SSTX_P										GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	
G		RTS0	CTS0	GPIO20 / DCDD0 / Download	GND	GND										rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	
F		BATT+	GPIO21 / DTR0	RXD0	GPIO18 / DSR0	EMERG_OFF	GND	rfu (nc)						rfu (nc)	rfu (dnu)	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	ANT_TRX2
E	GND	BATT+	rfu (dnu)	VEXT	rfu (dnu)	rfu (dnu)	rfu (dnu)	rfu (dnu)	JTAG_PS_HOLD	ANT_SW1	ANT_SW2	ANT_SW3	GPIO7 (Interrupt)	GPIO1 / DR_SYNC	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND
D			IGT	JTAG_TDO	JTAG_SRST	JTAG_TDI	JTAG_TRST	JTAG_TMS	GNSS_EN	GPIO11	ADC2_IN	ADC1_IN	ADC5_IN	ADC4_IN	rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND		
C	GND	GND		JTAG_TCK	HEART_BEAT	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND		GND
B				rfu (dnu)	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND	GND			rfu (dnu)	
A	GND	GND			ANT_GNSS_DC	GND	ANT_GNSS	GND	GND	GND	ANT_RX4	GND	GND	GND	ANT_RX3	GND	GND				GND

rfu: Reserved for future use (may be connected to external application)
(nc): Internally not connected (may be arbitrarily connected to external GND)
(dnu): Do not use (should not be connected to external application)

○ Circle marks round shaped pads designed for improved impedance.
Orange: Keep out areas on external application's PCB.
Rectangular shaped: GND pads should be soldered, but no further tracks on PCB's 1st layer, as well as a solid ground plane on PCB's 2nd layer.
Round shaped: No solder pads, should therefore not be soldered. No further tracks on PCB's first layer.

2.1.2. Signal Properties

Please note that the reference voltages listed in [Table 4](#) are the values measured directly on the ALAS66A module. They do not apply to the accessories connected.

Table 4: Signal description


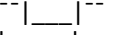
Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
Power supply	BATT+ BATT+_RF	I	$V_{I,max} = 4.2V$ $V_{I,min} = 3.3V$ (on board) GSM during Tx burst  $n Tx = n \times 577\mu s$ peak current every 4.615ms $I_{max} =$ see Table 24 WCDMA TX continuous current $I_{max} =$ see Table 24 LTE TX continuous current $I_{max} =$ see Table 24	Supply voltage lines for general power management and the RF power amplifier. Lines of BATT+/BATT+_RF and GND respectively must be connected in parallel for supply purposes because higher peak currents may occur. Minimum voltage must not fall below 3.3V including drop, ripple, spikes.
	GND		Ground	Application Ground
External supply voltage	VEXT	O	$C_L,max = 1\mu F$ $V_O = 1.80V -2.4\%, +2\%$ Normal operation: $I_{O,max} = -50mA$ SLEEP mode operation: $I_{O,max} = -1mA$	VEXT may be used for application circuits. If unused keep line open. Test point recommended. The external digital logic must not cause any spikes or glitches on voltage VEXT. Do not exceed $I_{O,max}$ in any operation mode.
Supply voltage for active GNSS antenna (input)	ANT_GNSS_DC	I	$V_{I,max} = 5V$ $I_{max} = 50mA$	If unused connect to GND. The input current must be limited to 50mA (antenna short circuit protection).
External GNSS supply voltage enable (output)	GNSS_EN	O	$V_{OL,max} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OL,nom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OH,min} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OH,nom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OH,max} = 1.84V$	Enable signal for an external voltage regulator (intended for active GNSS antenna, high=active) No external pull-up allowed during startup until the module has been secured in factory.
Ignition	IGT	I	$R_{PU} \approx 200k\Omega$ $V_{OH,max} = 1.84V$ $V_{IH,max} = 2.00V$ $V_{IH,min} = 1.30V$ $V_{IL,max} = 0.50V$ Low impulse width > 100ms	This signal switches the module on. It is required to drive this line low by an open drain or open collector driver connected to GND. Test point recommended.
Emergency off	EMERG_OFF	I	$R_{PU} \approx 40k\Omega$ $V_{OH,max} = 1.84V$ $V_{IH,max} = 2.00V$ $V_{IH,min} = 1.30V$ $V_{IL,max} = 0.50V$  low pulse width up to 2000ms (as long as PWR_IND stays low)	It is required to drive this line low by an open drain or open collector driver connected to GND until the module finally switches off. If unused keep line open. Test point recommended. Note that a low impulse of more than 2000ms will reset the module's RTC.

Table 4: Signal description

Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
SIM card detection	CCIN	I	$R_{PU} \approx 24k\Omega$ to VEXT $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.25V$ at $-25\mu A$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.35V$ at $-60\mu A$	CCIN = Low means SIM card inserted. If SIM card holder does not support CCIN, connect to GND.
2.85V SIM card interfaces	CCRST	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.4V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 2.2V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 2.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 2.91V$	Maximum cable length or copper track should be not longer than 100mm to SIM card holder. If unused keep lines open.
	CCCLK			
	CCIO	I/O	$R_{PU} = 6.7..8.5k\Omega$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.55V$ $V_{IHmin} = 2.35V$ $V_{IHmax} = 3.05V$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.4V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 2.35V$ at $I \geq -45\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 2.91V$	
	CCVCC	O	$V_{Omin} = 2.75V$ $V_{Otyp} = 2.85V$ $V_{Omax} = 2.91V$ $I_{Omax} = -50mA$	
1.8V SIM card interface	CCRST	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.4V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.40V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	Maximum cable length or copper track should be not longer than 100mm to SIM card holder. If unused keep lines open.
	CCCLK			
	CCIO	I/O	$R_{PU} = 6.7..8.5k\Omega$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.30V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.4V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.40V$ at $I \geq -50\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	
	CCVCC	O	$V_{Omin} = 1.74V$ $V_{Otyp} = 1.80V$ $V_{Omax} = 1.84V$ $I_{Omax} = -50mA$	
SIM interface shut-down	BATT_ID	I	External pull up to VEXT and pull down resistor within battery case required. $R_{PU} = 100k\Omega$ $R_{PD} = 10k\Omega$	Reserved for future use. Connect line to GND.

Table 4: Signal description

Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
Serial Interface ASC0	RXD0	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	Test points recommended for TXD0, RXD0, DCDO, RTS0, and CTS0.
	CTS0	O		
	DSR0	O		If DCDO is driven low during startup-phase, module enters Download Mode (see Section 4.2.2.)
	RING0	O		
	DCDO	I/O	If unused keep line open.	
	TXD0	I	$V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A \dots 97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A \dots -97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$	DSR0, DCDO, DTR0, and RING0 are not yet implemented, and are only available as GPIOs.
	RTS0	I		
DTR0	I			
Serial Interface ASC1	RXD1	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	Test points recommended for RXD1, TXD1, CTS1, and RTS1.
	CTS1	O		
	TXD1	I	$V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A \dots 97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A \dots -97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$	If unused keep line open.
	RTS1	I		
Power indicator	PWR_IND	O	$V_{IHmax} = 5.5V$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I_{max} = 2mA$	<p>PWR_IND (Power Indicator) notifies the module's on/off state.</p> <p>PWR_IND is an open collector that needs to be connected to an external pull-up resistor. Low state of the open collector indicates that the module is on. Vice versa, high level notifies the Power Down mode.</p> <p>Therefore, the signal may be used to enable external vol-tage regulators that supply an external logic for communication with the module, e.g. level converters.</p> <p>Test point recommended.</p>

Table 4: Signal description

Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
USB	VUSB_IN	I	$V_{INmin} = 3.0V$ $V_{INmax} = 5.75V$ $I_{Imax} = 100\mu A$ $C_{in} = 1\mu F$	USB detection. Test point recommended.
	USB_DN	I/O	Full and High speed signal (differential) characteristics according to USB 2.0 specification.	If unused keep lines open. Test point recommended. USB High Speed mode operation requires a differential impedance of 90Ω .
	USB_DP	I/O		
	USB_SSRX_N	I	Super Speed signal (differential) Rx characteristics according USB 3.0 specification.	If unused keep lines open. USB Super Speed mode operation requires a differential impedance of 90Ω .
	USB_SSRX_P	I		
	USB_SSTX_N	O	Super Speed signal (differential) Tx characteristics according USB 3.0 specification.	
	USB_SSTX_P	O		
Digital audio interface (I ² S)	DIN2	I	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A \dots 97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A \dots -97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$	Digital audio interface configurable as I ² S interface.
	BCLK2	I/O		If unused keep lines open.
	FSC2	I/O		
	DOUT2	O		

Table 4: Signal description

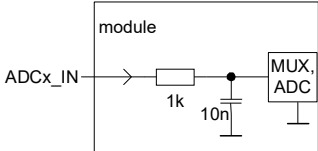
Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
GPIO interface	GPIO1...22	I/O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A...97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A...-97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$	<p>GPIO2...GPIO8, GPIO10, GPIO16, and GPIO20...GPIO22 are interrupt enabled. They can be used to for instance wake up the module (see Section 2.1.12.).</p> <p>GPIO12-14 are not implemented, and only available as external antenna switch interface (see Section 2.1.12.1.).</p> <p>GPIO18-21 cannot be configured as DSR0, DCD0, DTR0, and RING0, because this functionality is not yet implemented.</p> <p>No external pull-up / pull-down resistors allowed for GPIO9 and GPIO10.</p> <p>There is a 2.2k decoupling resistor between GPIO17 and JTAG_WD_DISABLE.</p> <p>Test points recommended at GPIO1, required at GPIO2, GPIO9, and GPIO10.</p> <p>If unused keep lines open.</p> <p>However, GPIO7 and GPIO17 must either be low during module startup until the module has been secured in factory or be left unconnected (=kept open).</p>
Heartbeat	HEART_BEAT	O	H --> L with 0.1Hz frequency, i.e., 5s (+/- 1,5s) each for high and low	Heartbeat signal, e.g., for external watchdog.
ADC interface	ADC1_IN, ADC2_IN, ADC4_IN, ADC5_IN	I	<p>Full specification compliance range</p> $V_{Imin} \geq 0.10V$ $V_{Imax} \leq 1.70V$ $R_i \approx 10M\Omega$ Resolution: 14 Bit Accuracy: $< \pm 2mV$ ADC conversion time t (max) = 550 μs at 4.8MHz sample clock	<p>If unused keep line open.</p> <p>Prepared for general purpose and antenna diagnostic use.</p> 

Table 4: Signal description

Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
PCIe	PCIE_RX_N	I	According to PCI Express Specification, Revision 2.0/2.1 (one lane, 5 GBit/s)	
	PCIE_RX_P			
	PCIE_TX_N	O		
	PCIE_TX_P			
	PCIE_CLK_N	O		
	PCIE_CLK_P			
	PCIE_CLK_REQ	IO	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	
PCIE_HOST_RST	O	$V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A...97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A...-97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$		
PCIE_HOST_WAKE	I			
I ² C interface	I2CDAT1 I2CDAT2	I/O	$V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$	Open Drain Output (internal pull up) External pull up resistors required. Maximum load 510Ohm.
	I2CCLK1 I2CCLK2	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.3V$ at $I = 3mA$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A...-97.5\mu A$	
JTAG interface	JTAG_SRST	I	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$	Debug interface. Test point recommended for all JTAG lines.
	JTAG_TCK			
	JTAG_TDI			
	JTAG_TMS			
	JTAG_TRST			
	JTAG_TDO	O	$V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A...97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A...-97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Zmax} = \pm 1\mu A$	
	JTAG_WD_DISABLE	I	$V_{ILmax} = 0.3V$ at $-100\mu A$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.50V$ at $100\mu A$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$	High during reset and start-up does disable the watchdog timer. (Jumper to VEXT) There is a 2.2k decoupling resistor between JTAG_WD_DISABLE and GPIO17.
JTAG_PS_HOLD	I	$V_{IHmin} = 1.65V$ at $680\mu A$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.20V$ at $680\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $150\mu A$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.5V$ at $-200\mu A$	High holds the power supply during debugging (Jumper to VEXT)	

Table 4: Signal description

Function	Signal name	IO	Signal form and level	Comment
eMMC interface	EMMC_DETECT	I	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at $I = 2mA$ $V_{OLnom} = 0.1V$ at $I = 100\mu A$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.30V$ at $I = -2mA$ $V_{OHnom} = 1.65V$ at $I = -100\mu A$ $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.50V$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.30V$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{IHPD} = 27.5\mu A \dots 97.5\mu A$ $I_{ILPU} = -27.5\mu A \dots -97.5\mu A$ $I_{High-Z max} = \pm 1\mu A$	eMMC
	EMMC_PWR	O	$V_{OUT(nom)} = 2.95V / 1.8V$ $I_{OUT(max)} = 150mA$	
1.8V eMMC	EMMC_CLK	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45V$ at rated drive strength $V_{OHmin} = 1.40V$ at rated drive strength $V_{OHmax} = 1.84V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.58V$ at rated drive strength $V_{IHmin} = 1.27V$ at rated drive strength $V_{IHmax} = 2.0V$ $I_{High-Z max} = \pm 5\mu A$	
	EMMC_CMD	O		
	EMMC_D[0...7]	I/O		
2.95V eMMC	EMMC_CLK	O	$V_{OLmax} = 0.36V$ at rated drive strength $V_{OHmin} = 2.05V$ at rated drive strength $V_{OHmax} = 2.91V$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.68V$ at rated drive strength $V_{IHmin} = 1.82V$ at rated drive strength $V_{IHmax} = 3.05V$ $I_{High-Z max} = \pm 10\mu A$	
	EMMC_CMD	O		
	EMMC_D[0...7]	I/O		

2.1.2.1. Absolute Maximum Ratings

The absolute maximum ratings stated in Table 5 are stress ratings under any conditions. Stresses beyond any of these limits will cause permanent damage to ALAS66A.

Table 5: Absolute maximum ratings

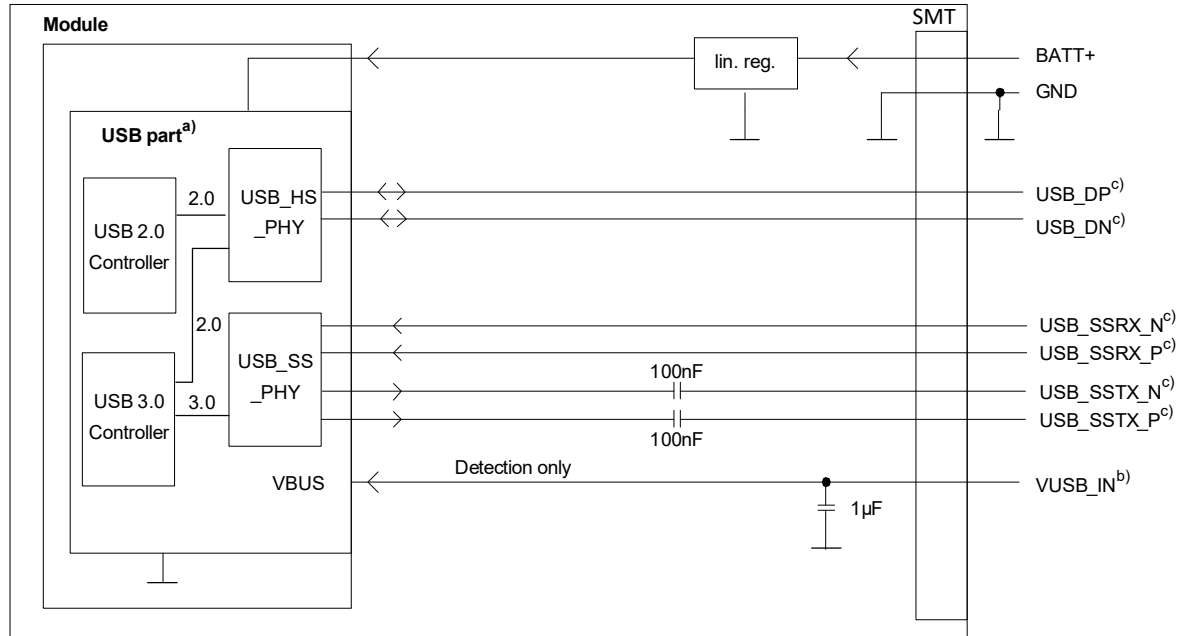
Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
Supply voltage BATT+	-0.3	+5.5	V
Voltage at all digital lines in Power Down mode (except VEXT)	-0.3	+0.5	V
Voltage at VEXT in Power Down mode	-0.3	+0.3	V
Voltage at digital lines in normal operation	-0.3	+2.3	V
Voltage at UICC interface, CCVCC 1.8V in normal operation	-0.3	+2.3	V
Voltage at UICC interface, CCVCC 3.0V in normal operation	-0.3	+3.4	V
Voltage at ADC lines if the module is powered by BATT+	-0.5	$V_{BATT+} + 0.5V$	V
Voltage at ADC lines if the module is not powered	-0.5	+0.5	V
VEXT maximum current shorted to GND		-600	mA
VUSB_IN	-0.3	5.75	V
USB 3.0 data lines	-0.3	+1.4	V
USB 2.0 data lines	-0.3	+3.6	V
PCIe data and clock lines	-0.3	+1.4	V
PCIe control lines	-0.3	+2.1	V
Voltage at PWR_IND line	-0.5	+5.5	V
PWR_IND input current if PWR_IND= low		2	mA
Voltage at following signals: IGT, EMERG_OFF	-0.3	2.1	V

2.1.3. USB Interface

ALAS66A supports a USB 3.0 Super Speed (5Gbps) device interface, and alternatively a USB 2.0 device interface that is High Speed compatible. The USB interface is primarily intended for use as debugging interface.

The USB host is responsible for supplying the VUSB_IN line. This line is for voltage detection only. The USB part (driver and transceiver) is supplied by means of BATT+. This is because ALAS66A is designed as a self-powered device compliant with the “Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 3.0”¹.

Figure 5: USB circuit



- a) All serial (including R_s) and pull-up resistors for data lines are implemented .
- b) Since VUSB_IN is used for detection only it is recommended not to add any further blocking capacitors on the VUSB_IN line.
- c) If the USB interface is operated with super or high speeds, it is recommended to take special care routing the data lines. Application layout should implement a differential impedance of 90 ohms for proper signal integrity .

To properly connect the module's USB interface to the external application, a USB 3.0 or 2.0 compatible connector and cable or hardware design is required. For further guidelines on implementing the external application's USB 3.0 or 2.0 interface see [3] and [4]. For more information on the USB related signals see Table 4. Furthermore, the USB driver distributed with ALAS66A needs to be installed.

While a USB connection is active, the module will never switch into SLEEP mode. Only if the USB interface is in Suspended state or Detached (i.e., VUSB_IN = 0) is the module able to switch into SLEEP mode thereby saving power².

¹ The specification is ready for download on <http://www.usb.org/developers/docs/>

² Please note that if the USB interface is employed, and a USB cable is connected, there should also be a terminal program linked to the USB port in order to receive and process the initial SYSSTART URC after module startup. Otherwise, the SYSSTART URC remains pending in the USB driver's output buffer and this unprocessed data prevents the module from power saving.

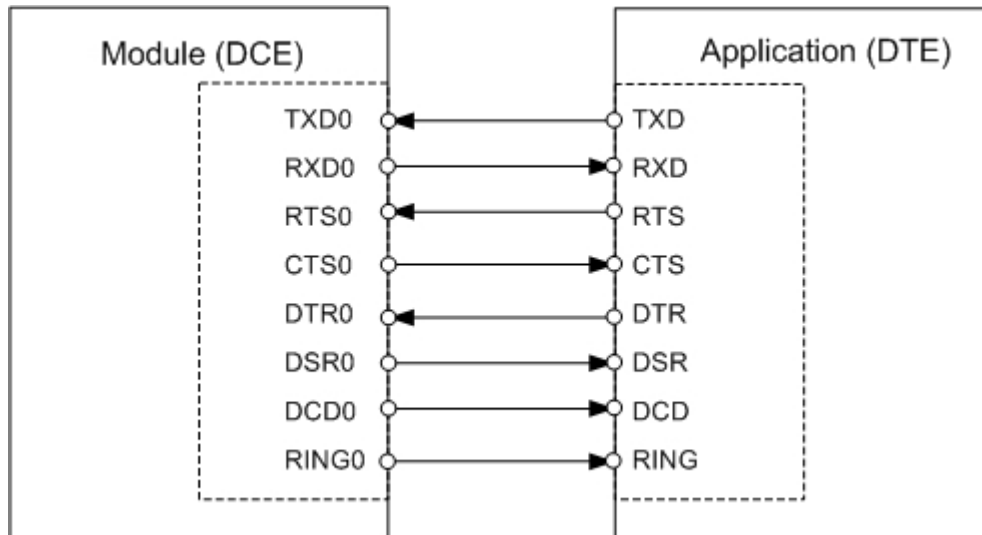
2.1.4. Serial Interface ASC0

ALAS66A offers a 4-wire (8-wire prepared) (plus GND) unbalanced, asynchronous interface ASC0 conforming to ITU-T V.24 protocol DCE signaling. The electrical characteristics do not comply with ITU-T V.28. The significant levels are 0V (for low data bit or active state) and 1.8V (for high data bit or inactive state). For electrical characteristics please refer to [Table 4](#).

ALAS66A is designed for use as a DCE. Based on the conventions for DCE-DTE connections it communicates with the customer application (DTE) using the following signals:

- Port TXD @ application sends data to the module's TXD0 signal line
- Port RXD @ application receives data from the module's RXD0 signal line

Figure 6: Serial interface ASC0



Features:

- Includes the data lines TXD0 and RXD0, the status lines RTS0 and CTS0. The modem control lines DTR0, DSR0, DCD0 and RING0 are not yet implemented.
- The RING0 signal serves to indicate incoming calls and other types of URCs (Unsolicited Result Code). It can also be used to send pulses to the host application, for example to wake up the application from power saving state. Not yet implemented.
- Configured for 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit.
- ASC0 can be operated at fixed bit rates from 115,200 to 921,600bps.
- Supports RTS0/CTS0 hardware flow control.

Note: If the ASC0 serial interface is the application's only interface, it is suggested to connect test points on the USB signal lines as a potential tracing possibility.

Table 6: DCE-DTE wiring of ASC0

V.24 circuit	DCE		DTE	
	Line function ¹	Signal direction	Line function	Signal direction
103	TXD0	Input	TXD	Output
104	RXD0	Output	RXD	Input
105	RTS0	Input	RTS	Output
106	CTS0	Output	CTS	Input
108/2	DTR0	Input	DTR	Output
107	DSR0	Output	DSR	Input
109	DCD0	Output	DCD	Input
125	RING0	Output	RING	Input

¹ DSR0, DCD0, DTR0, and RING0 not yet implemented

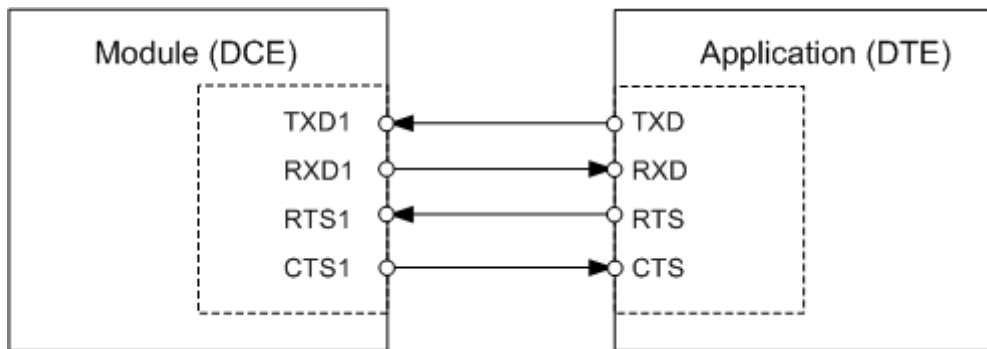
2.1.5. Serial Interface ASC1

Four ALAS66A lines can be configured as ASC1 interface signals to provide a 4-wire unbalanced, asynchronous interface ASC1 conforming to ITU-T V.24 protocol DCE signaling. The electrical characteristics do not comply with ITU-T V.28. The significant levels are 0V (for low data bit or active state) and 1.8V (for high data bit or inactive state). For electrical characteristics please refer to [Table 3](#).

ALAS66A is designed for use as a DCE. Based on the conventions for DCE-DTE connections it communicates with the customer application (DTE) using the following signals:

- › Port TXD @ application sends data to module's TXD1 signal line
- › Port RXD @ application receives data from the module's RXD1 signal line

Figure 7: Serial interface ASC1



Features

- › Includes only the data lines TXD1 and RXD1 plus RTS1 and CTS1 for hardware handshake.
- › On ASC1 no RING line is available.
- › Configured for 8 data bits, no parity and 1 or 2 stop bits.
- › ASC1 can be operated at fixed bit rates from 115,200 bps to 921,600 bps.
- › Supports RTS1/CTS1 hardware flow.

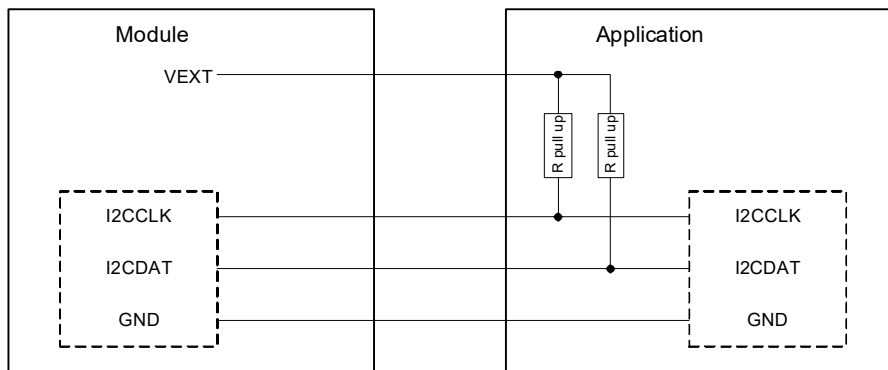
2.1.6. Inter-Integrated Circuit Interface

ALAS66A provides two Inter-Integrated Circuit (I²C) interfaces. I²C is a serial, 8-bit oriented data transfer bus for bit rates up to 400kbps in Fast mode. It consists of two lines, the serial data line I2CDAT and the serial clock line I2CCLK. The module acts as a single master device, e.g. the clock I2CCLK is driven by the module. I2CDAT is a bi-directional line. Each device connected to the bus is software addressable by a unique 7-bit address, and simple master/slave relationships exist at all times. The module operates as master-transmitter or as master-receiver. The customer application transmits or receives data only on request of the module.

The applications I²C interface can be powered via the VEXT line of ALAS66A. If connected to the VEXT line, the I²C interface will properly shut down when the module enters the Power Down mode.

In the application I2CDATx and I2CCLKx lines need to be connected to a positive supply voltage (e.g., VEXT) via a pull-up resistor. For electrical characteristics please refer to [Table 4](#).

Figure 8: I²C interface connected to VEXT

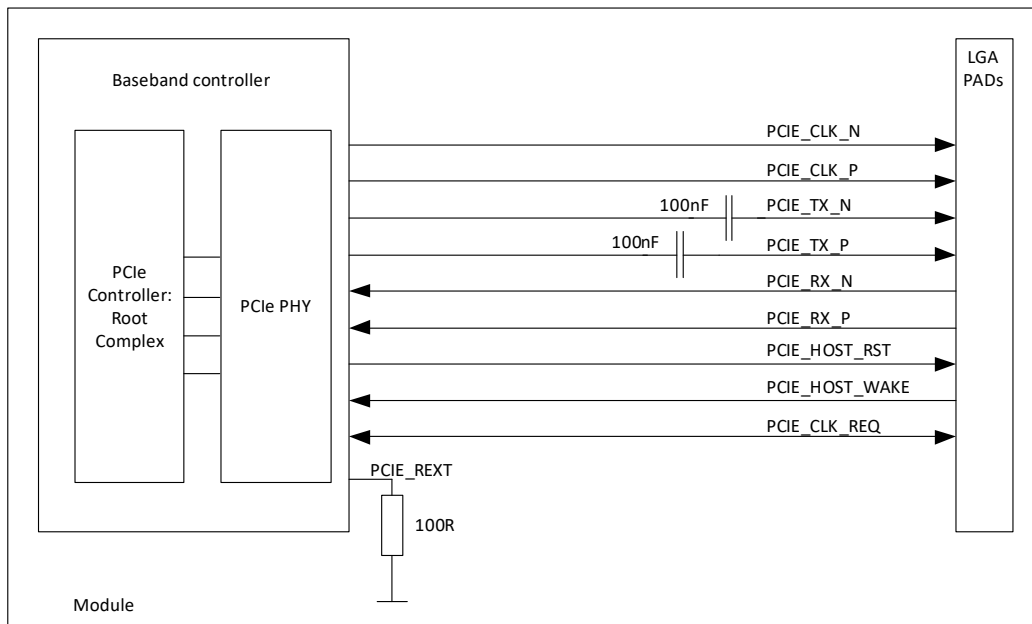


Note: Good care should be taken when creating the PCB layout of the host application: The traces of I2CCLK and I2CDAT should be equal in length and as short as possible.

2.1.7. PCIe Interface

ALAS66A provides a low power 5Gbit/s PCIe 2.0 Root Complex (Host) device interface as shown below in [Figure 9](#).

Figure 9: PCIe interface



2.1.8. UICC/SIM/USIM Interface

ALAS66A has a UICC/SIM/USIM interface compatible with the 3GPP 31.102 and ETSI 102 221. It is wired to the host interface in order to be connected to an external SIM card holder. Five pads on the SMT application interface are reserved for the SIM interface.

The UICC/SIM/USIM interface supports 2.85V and 1.8V SIM cards. Please refer to [Table 4](#) for electrical specifications of the UICC/SIM/USIM interface lines depending on whether a 2.85V or 1.8V SIM card is used.

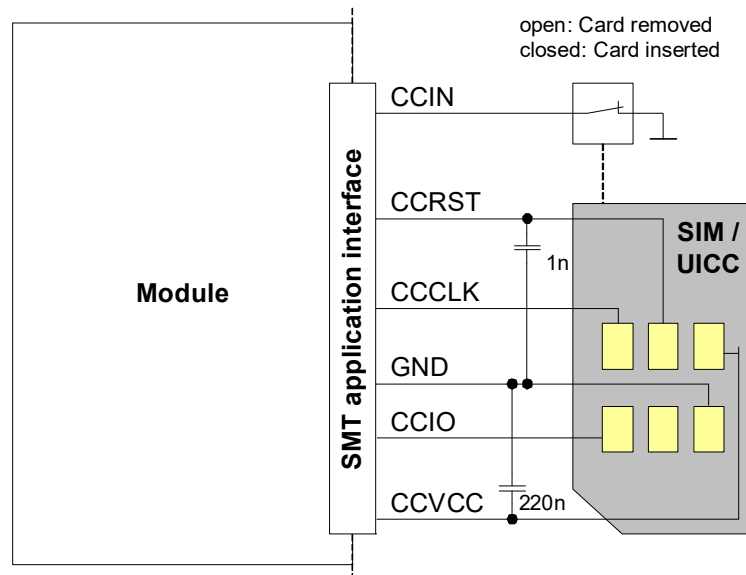
The CCIN signal serves to detect whether a tray (with SIM card) is present in the card holder. Using the CCIN signal is mandatory for compliance with the GSM 11.11 recommendation if the mechanical design of the host application allows the user to remove the SIM card during operation. To take advantage of this feature, an appropriate SIM card detect switch is required on the card holder. For example, this is true for the model supplied by Molex, which has been tested to operate with ALAS66A and is part of the Kontron reference equipment submitted for type approval. See [Chapter 8/](#) for Molex ordering numbers.

Table 7: Signals of the SIM interface (SMT application interface)

Signal	Description
GND	Ground connection for SIM interfaces. Optionally a separate SIM ground line may be used to improve EMC.
CCCLK	Chipcard clock line for SIM interface.
CCVCC	SIM supply voltage line for SIM interface.
CCIO	Serial data line for SIM interface, input and output.
CCRST	Chipcard reset line SIM interface.
CCIN	Input on the baseband processor for detecting a SIM card tray in the holder. If the SIM is removed during operation the SIM interface is shut down immediately to prevent destruction of the SIM. The CCIN signal is active low. The CCIN signal is mandatory for applications that allow the user to remove the SIM card during operation. The CCIN signal is solely intended for use with a SIM card. It must not be used for any other purposes. Failure to comply with this requirement may invalidate the type approval of ALAS66A.

Note: No guarantee can be given, nor any liability accepted, if loss of data is encountered after removing the SIM card during operation. Also, no guarantee can be given for properly initializing any SIM card that the user inserts after having removed the SIM card during operation. In this case, the application must restart ALAS66A.

Figure 10: First UICC/SIM/USIM interface



The total cable length between the SMT application interface pads on ALAS66A and the pads of the external SIM card holder must not exceed 100mm in order to meet the specifications of 3GPP TS 51.010-1 and to satisfy the requirements of EMC compliance.

To avoid possible cross-talk from the CCCLK signal to the CCIO signal be careful that both lines are not placed closely next to each other. A useful approach is using the GND line to shield the CCIO line from the CCCLK line.

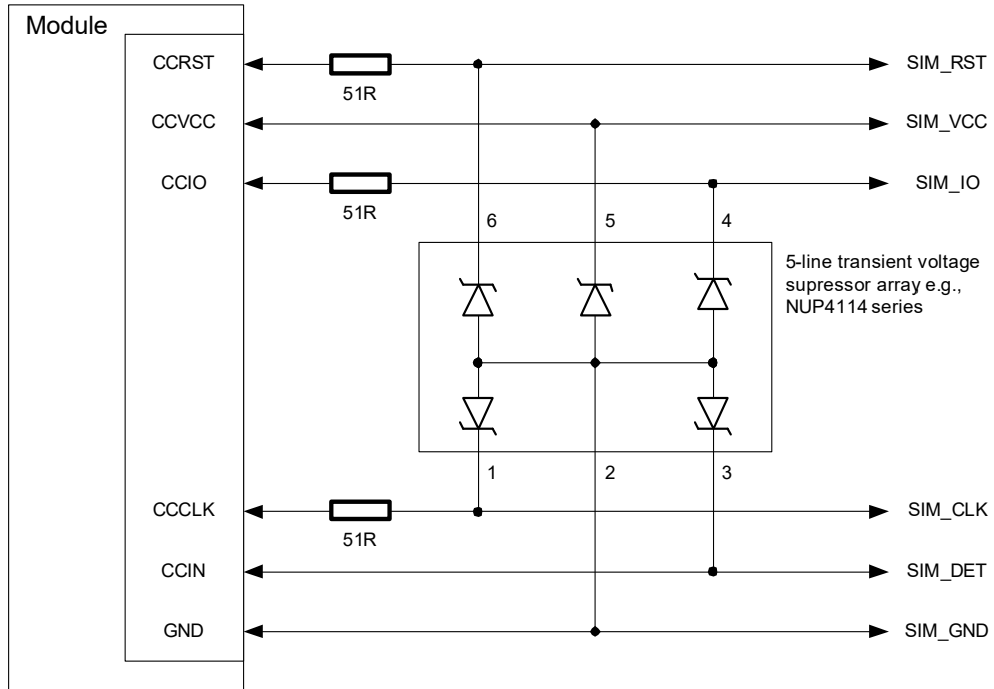
An example for an optimized ESD protection for the SIM interface is shown in [Section 2.1.8.1.](#)

2.1.8.1. Enhanced ESD Protection for SIM Interfaces

To optimize ESD protection for the SIM interfaces it is possible to add ESD diodes to the interface lines of the first and second SIM interface as shown in the example given in [Figure 11](#).

The example was designed to meet ESD protection according ETSI EN 301 489-1/7: Contact discharge: $\pm 4\text{kV}$, air discharge: $\pm 8\text{kV}$.

Figure 11: SIM interfaces - enhanced ESD protection



2.1.9. Digital Audio Interface

ALAS66A supports one digital audio interface that can be employed as Inter-IC Sound (I²S) interface.

2.1.9.1. Inter-IC Sound Interface

The I²S Interface is a standardized bidirectional I²S based digital audio interface for transmission of mono voice signals for telephony services.

The I²S properties and capabilities comply with the requirements layed out in the Phillips I²S Bus Specifications, revised June 5, 1996.

The I²S interface has the following characteristics:

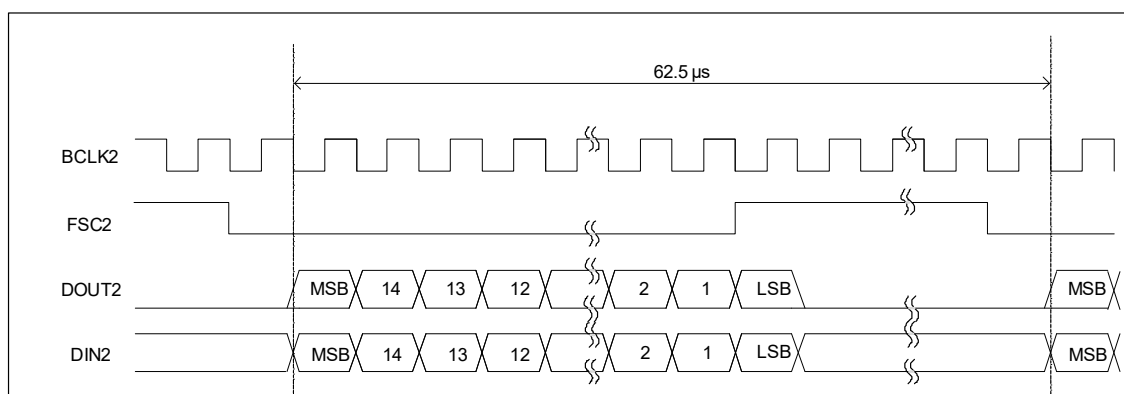
- ▶ Bit clock mode: Master
- ▶ Sampling rate: 16KHz (wideband)
- ▶ 512kHz bit clock at 16kHz sample rate
- ▶ Frame length: 32 bit stereo voice signal (16 bit word length)
- ▶ Audio frames start with WS (Word Select) line low, followed by a WS high. The left channel is selected by WS=0 whereas the right channel is selected by WS=1. Data on each channel starts with MSB at each edge of WS with a delay of 1 bitclock. The left microphone channel is significant, the right channel will be ignored. The loudspeaker output contains binary identical data on both channels.

Table 8 lists the available I²S interface signals, Figure 12 shows the I²S timing.

Table 8: Overview of I²S pin functions

Signal name on SMT application interface	Signal configuration inactive	Signal direction: Master	Description
DOUT2	PD	O	I ² S data from ALAS66A to external codec
DIN2	PD	I	I ² S data from external codec to ALAS66A
FSC2	PD	O	Frame synchronization signal to/from external codec Word alignment (WS)
BCLK2	PD	O	Bit clock to external codec. BCLKx signal low/high time varies between 45% and 55% of its clock period. Note: If the BCLK2 signal is permanently provided the module will no longer enter its power save (SLEEP) state.

Figure 12: I²S timing (master mode)



2.1.10. Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC)

ALAS66A provides four unbalanced ADC input lines: ADC[1-2...4-5]_IN. They can be used to measure four independent, externally connected DC voltages in the range of 0.1V to 1.7V. As described in Section 2.2.4. and Section 2.3.1. they can be used especially for antenna diagnosing.

2.1.11. RTC Backup

The internal Real Time Clock of ALAS66A is supplied from a separate voltage regulator in the power supply component which is also active when ALAS66A is in Power Down mode and BATT+ is available.

An alarm function is provided that allows to wake up ALAS66A. When the alarm time is reached the module wakes up into normal operating mode (default), or to the functionality level that was valid before power down. For example, if the module was in Airplane mode before power down, the module will wake up without logging on to the GSM/UMTS/LTE network.

2.1.12. GPIO Interface

ALAS66A has 18 GPIOs for external hardware devices. Each GPIO can be configured for use as input or output.

Before changing the configuration of a GPIO pin (e.g. input to output) the pin has to be closed. If the GPIO pins are not configured or the pins/driver were closed, the GPIO pins are high-Z with pull down resistor. If a GPIO is configured to input, the pin has high-Z without pull resistor.

If ALAS66A is in power save (SLEEP) mode a level state transition at GPIO[2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 16, 20-22] will wake up the module, if such a GPIO was configured as input with appropriate wakeup capability.

Table 9 shows the available GPIO lines, and comments on possible alternative assignments.

Table 9: GPIO lines and possible alternative assignment

GPIOs / Alternative signal names	Description of possible alternative signals
GPIO1 / DR_SYNC	DR_SYNC. GPIO1 can also be configured as DR_SYNC line, i.e., a one pulse per second (1PPS) output for external dead reckoning applications.
GPIO2 / FwSwap	Firmware swap. GPIO2 can be employed as firmware swap signal that triggers a swap between two firmware variants available on the module. Setting the FwSwap line to high during the startup phase of ALAS66A triggers the firmware swap. The signal may for instance be used as a fallback or backup solution in case a possible firmware update is not successful. Please connect this signal to the external application and implement a test point.
GPIO4	
GPIO5	
GPIO6	
GPIO7	Note: GPIO7 must be either be low during startup until the module has been secured in factory or be left open.
GPIO8	
GPIO9 / RXD2	RXD2. GPIO9 can currently only be employed as internal debugging interface line.
GPIO10 / TXD2	TXD2. GPIO10 can currently only be employed as internal debugging interface line.
GPIO11	GPIO11 may be used as a reset line for Kontron's audio codec adapter.
GPIO12-GPIO14	GPIO12-14 are not available as GPIOs, but are permanently configured as an external antenna switch interface - see Section 2.1.12.1.
GPIO15 / WLAN_EN	WLAN_EN. GPIO15 can be configured as WLAN_EN line for an external WLAN chip.
GPIO16	
GPIO17 / BT_EN	BT_EN. GPIO17 can be configured as BT_EN line for an external BT chip. Note: GPIO17 must either be low during startup until the module has been secured in factory or be left open.
GPIO18 / DSR0	DSR0. Modem control line DSR0 not yet implemented.
GPIO19 / RING0	RING0. Modem control line RING0 not yet implemented.

Table 9: GPIO lines and possible alternative assignment

GPIOs / Alternative signal names	Description of possible alternative signals
GPIO20 / DCD0 / Down-load	DCD0. Modem control line DCD0 not yet implemented. Download. GPIO20 can be employed as firmware download trigger. If DCD0 is Low, i.e., externally pulled-down during the startup phase of ALAS66A, the module enters a firm-ware download mode.
GPIO21 / DTR0	DTR0. Modem control line DTR0 not yet implemented.
GPIO22	

2.1.12.1. External Antenna Switch Interface

The above listed GPIO12 - GPIO14 lines are not available as GPIOs, but are permanently configured as an external antenna switch interface.

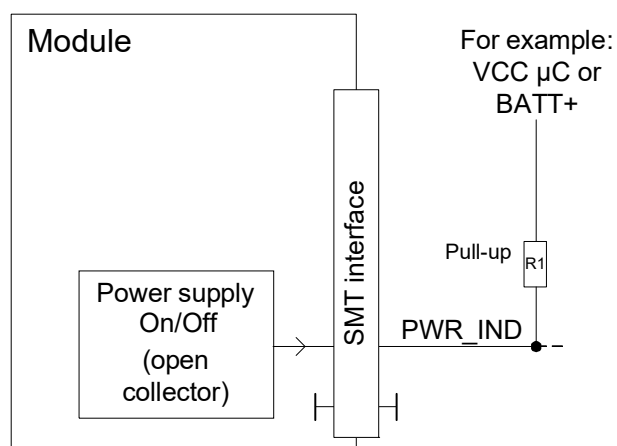
Table 10: GPIO lines and fixed alternative assignment

Signal name /GPIO	Description of fixed alternative signals
ANT_SW1/ GPIO12	GPIO12 - GPIO14 are permanently configured as ANT_SW1...3, and can therefore be used as antenna switch matrix control signals for an external antenna switch.
ANT_SW2 / GPIO13	
ANT_SW3 / GPIO14	

2.1.13. Control Signals

2.1.13.1. PWR_IND Signal

PWR_IND notifies the on/off state of the module. High state of PWR_IND indicates that the module is switched off. The state of PWR_IND immediately changes to low when IGT is pulled low. For state detection an external pull-up resistor is required.

Figure 13: PWR_IND signal

2.1.13.2. Heartbeat Signal

HEART_BEAT indicates that the module is well, i.e., that its core components are working fine. The heartbeat starts at module power up, and finishes when the module is powered off. It runs at a frequency of 0.1Hz with 5 seconds high and 5 seconds low state (+/- 1.5 seconds). The heartbeat signal can for instance be used to trigger external watchdog applications.

2.1.14. JTAG Interface

For test purposes, e.g., 8D reporting without desoldering the module from the external application.

2.1.15. eMMC Interface

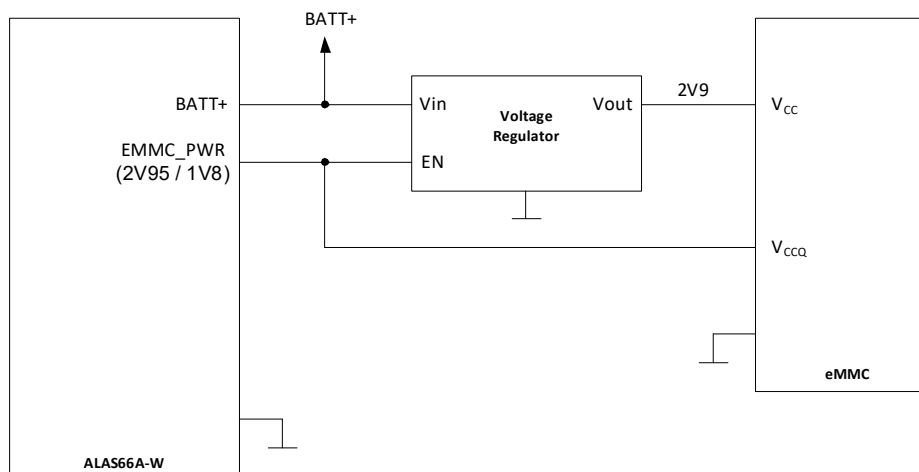
ALAS66A has an eMMC interface that can be used for test purposes, e.g., to write crash dumps from the module's FFS to eMMC. To connect an eMMC a separate, additional power supply is required as described in [Section 2.1.15.1.](#)

2.1.15.1. eMMC Power Supply

An eMMC requires two separate power supplies normally named VCC (3V3) and VCCQ (3V3 / 1V8). ALAS66A however, provides only a single power supply pad for eMMC, i.e., the EMMC_PWR pad. Therefore, an additional external power supply for the eMMC is necessary, and can for instance be provided through a voltage regulator enabled with the EMMC_PWR line.

A sample connecting circuit is shown in [Figure 14](#). Note that with ALAS66A the EMMC_PWR line switches from 2.95V to 1.8V during eMMC operation.

Figure 14: eMMC power supply



2.2. GSM/UMTS/LTE Antenna Interface

The ALAS66A GSM/UMTS/LTE antenna interface comprises two GSM/UMTS/LTE main antennas as well as two UMTS/LTE Rx diversity/MIMO antennas to improve signal reliability and quality¹. The interface has an impedance of 50Ω. ALAS66A is capable of sustaining a total mismatch at the antenna interface without any damage, even when transmitting at maximum RF power.

The external antennas must be matched properly to achieve best performance regarding radiated power, modulation accuracy and harmonic suppression. Matching networks are not included on the ALAS66A PCB and should be placed in the host application, if the antenna does not have an impedance of 50Ω.

Regarding the return loss ALAS66A provides the following values in the active band:

Table 11: Return loss in the active band

State of module	Return loss of module	Recommended return loss of application
Receive	≥ 8dB	≥ 12dB
Transmit	Undefined mismatch	≥ 12dB

¹ By delivery default the UMTS/LTE Rx diversity/MIMO antennas are configured as available for the module since its usage is mandatory for LTE. Please refer to [1] for details on how to configure antenna settings.

2.2.1. Antenna Interface Specifications

Table 12: RF Antenna interface GSM/UMTS/LTE (at operating temperature range¹)

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit
LTE connectivity	Band 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 26, 28, 34, 38, 39, 40, 41, 66				
Receiver Input Sensitivity @ ARP (ch. bandwidth 5MHz; 4 antenna combined, TRX1, TRX2, RX3, RX4))	LTE 2100 Band 1	-102	-107		dBm
	LTE 1900 Band 2	-100	-106		dBm
	LTE 1800 Band 3	-99	-107		dBm
	LTE 1700 Band 4	-102	-107		dBm
	LTE 850 Band 5	-97.3	-108		dBm
	LTE 2600 Band 7	-100	-106		dBm
	LTE 900 Band 8	-96.3	-107		dBm
	LTE 700 Band 12	-96.3	-106		dBm
	LTE 700 Band 13	-96.3	-108		dBm
	LTE 850 Band 18	-96.8	-108		dBm
	LTE 850 Band 19	-96.8	-108		dBm
	LTE 800 Band 20	-99	-108		dBm
	LTE 850 Band 26	-96.8	-108		dBm
	LTE 700 Band 28	-97.8	-108		dBm
	LTE 700 Band 29 (RX only)	-96.3	-106		dBm
	LTE 700 Band 32 (RX only)	-99.3	-106		dBm
	LTE 2000 Band 34	-99.3	-104		dBm
	LTE 2600 Band 38	-99.3	-106		dBm
	LTE 1900 Band 39	-102	-108		dBm
	LTE 2300 Band 40	-102	-105		dBm
LTE 2300 Band 41	-100	-107		dBm	
LTE 2600 Band 66	-101.5	-107		dBm	
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load	LTE 2100 Band 1	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 1900 Band 2	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 1800 Band 3	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 1700 Band 4	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 850 Band 5	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 2600 Band 7	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 900 Band 8	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 700 Band 12	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 700 Band 13	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 850 Band 18	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 850 Band 19	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 800 Band 20	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 850 Band 26	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 700 Band 28	+21	+23	+25	dBm

Table 12: RF Antenna interface GSM/UMTS/LTE (at operating temperature range¹)

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load	LTE 2000 Band 34	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 2600 Band 38	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 1900 Band 39	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 2300 Band 40	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 2300 Band 41	+21	+23	+25	dBm
	LTE 2600 Band 66	+21	+23	+25	dBm
UMTS/HSPA connectivity	Band I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VIII, XIX				
Receiver Input Sensitivity @ ARP Main path (TRX1)	UMTS 2100 Band I	-106	-110		dBm
	UMTS 1900 Band II	-104	-109		dBm
	UMTS 1800 Band III	-103	-111		dBm
	UMTS 1700 Band IV	-106	-111		dBm
	UMTS 900 Band VIII	-103	-112		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band V	-104	-111		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band VI	-104	-111		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band XIX	-104	-111		dBm
Receiver Input Sensitivity @ ARP Diversity path (TRX2)	UMTS 2100 Band I	-106	-112		dBm
	UMTS 1900 Band II	-104	-111		dBm
	UMTS 1800 Band III	-103	-111		dBm
	UMTS 1700 Band IV	-106	-112		dBm
	UMTS 900 Band VIII	-103	-112		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band V	-104	-113		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band VI	-104	-113		dBm
	UMTS 850 Band XIX	-104	-113		dBm
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load	UMTS 2100 Band I	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 1900 Band II	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 1800 Band III	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 1700 Band IV	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 900 Band VIII	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 850 Band V	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 850 Band VI	+21	+24	+25	dBm
	UMTS 850 Band XIX	+21	+24	+25	dBm
GPRS coding schemes	Class 12, CS1 to CS4				
EGPRS	Class 12, MCS1 to MCS9				
GSM Class	Small MS				
Static Receiver input Sensitivity @ ARP	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900	-102	-110		dBm
	GSM 1800 / GSM 1900	-102	-109		dBm
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load GSM	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900	31	33	35	dBm
	GSM 1800 / GSM 1900	28	30	32	dBm

Table 12: RF Antenna interface GSM/UMTS/LTE (at operating temperature range¹)

Parameter		Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit	
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load (ROPR=4, i.e., no reduction)	GPRS, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
	EDGE, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
	EDGE, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
	EDGE, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
	EDGE, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load (ROPR=5)	GPRS, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm
			GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm
EDGE, 1 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 2 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
EDGE, 2 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 3 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		32.2		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		29.2		dBm	
EDGE, 3 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 4 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		31		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		28		dBm	
EDGE, 4 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	

Table 12: RF Antenna interface GSM/UMTS/LTE (at operating temperature range¹)

Parameter		Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit	
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load (ROPR=6)	GPRS, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm	
	EDGE, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		31		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		28		dBm	
	EDGE, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		30.2		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		27.2		dBm	
	EDGE, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	GPRS, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		29		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	EDGE, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
	RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load (ROPR=7)	GPRS, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm
			GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm
EDGE, 1 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 2 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		30		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		27		dBm	
EDGE, 2 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 3 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		28.2		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		25.2		dBm	
EDGE, 3 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	
GPRS, 4 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		24		dBm	
EDGE, 4 TX		GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm	
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm	

Table 12: RF Antenna interface GSM/UMTS/LTE (at operating temperature range¹)

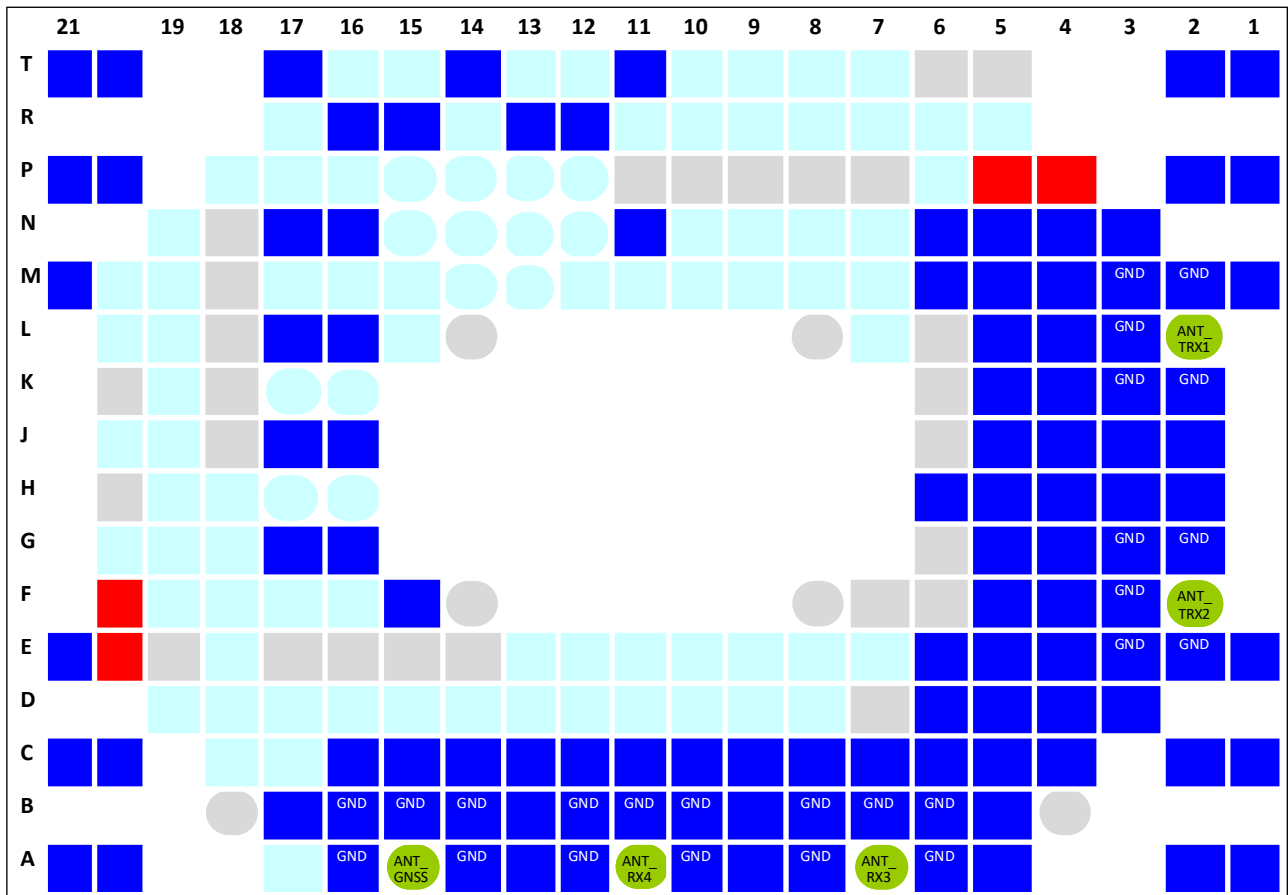
Parameter		Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit
RF Power @ ARP with 50Ω Load (ROPR=8, i.e., max. reduction)	GPRS, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		33		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		30		dBm
	EDGE, 1 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		26		dBm
	GPRS, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		30		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		27		dBm
	EDGE, 2 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		24		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		23		dBm
	GPRS, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		28.2		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		25.2		dBm
	EDGE, 3 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		22.2		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		21.2		dBm
	GPRS, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		27		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		24		dBm
	EDGE, 4 TX	GSM 850 / E-GSM 900		21		dBm
		GSM 1800 / GSM 1900		20		dBm

¹ At restricted temperature range no active power reduction is implemented - any deviations are hardware related.

2.2.2. Antenna Installation

The antennas are connected by soldering the antenna pads (ANT_TRX1, ANT_TRX2, ANT_RX3, ANT_RX4; ANT_GNSS) and their neighboring ground pads directly to the application's PCB.

Figure 15: Antenna pads (top view)



The distance between the antenna pads and their neighboring GND pads has been optimized for best possible impedance. To prevent mismatch, special attention should be paid to these pads on the application's PCB. The wiring of the antenna connection, starting from the antenna pad to the application's antenna must result in a 50Ω line impedance. Line width and distance to the GND plane need to be optimized with regard to the PCB's layer stack. Related instructions are given in [Section 2.2.3.](#)

To prevent receiver desensitization due to interferences generated by fast transients like high speed clocks on the external application PCB, it is recommended to realize the antenna connection line using embedded Stripline rather than Micro-Stripline technology. Please see [Section 2.2.3.](#) for instructions of how to design the antenna connection in order to achieve the required 50Ω line impedance.

For type approval purposes (i.e., FCC KDB 996369 related to modular approval requirements), an external application must connect the RF signal in one of the following ways:

- Via 50Ω coaxial antenna connector (common connectors are U-FL or SMA) placed as close as possible to the module's antenna pad.
- By soldering the antenna to the antenna connection line on the application's PCB (without the use of any connector) as close as possible to the module's antenna pad.
- By routing the application PCB's antenna to the module's antenna pad in the shortest possible way.

2.2.3. RF Line Routing Design

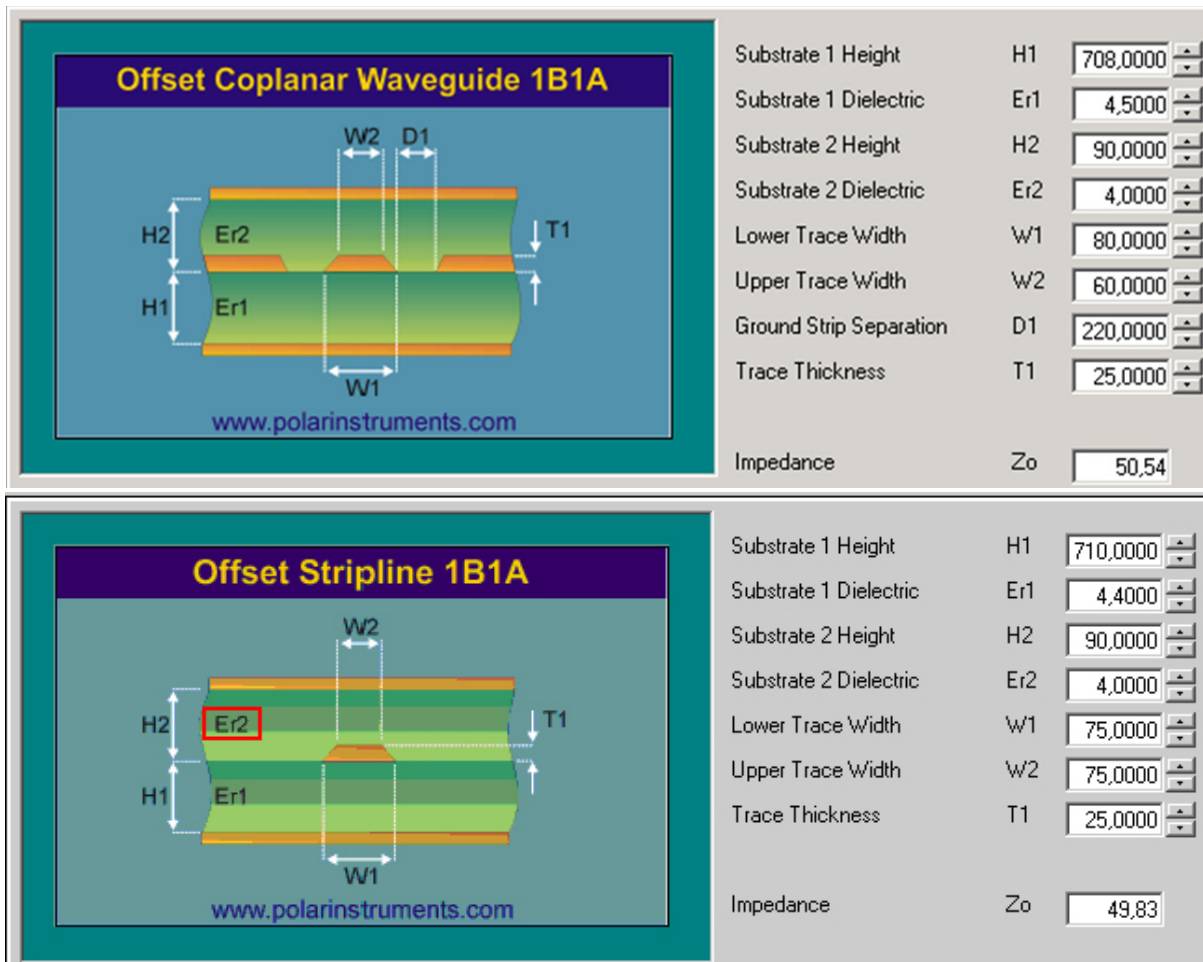
2.2.3.1. Line Arrangement Instructions

Several dedicated tools are available to calculate line arrangements for specific applications and PCB materials - for example from <http://www.polarinstruments.com/> (commercial software) or from <https://www.awr.com/awr-software/options/tx-line> (free software).

Embedded Stripline

This below figure shows line arrangement examples for embedded stripline.

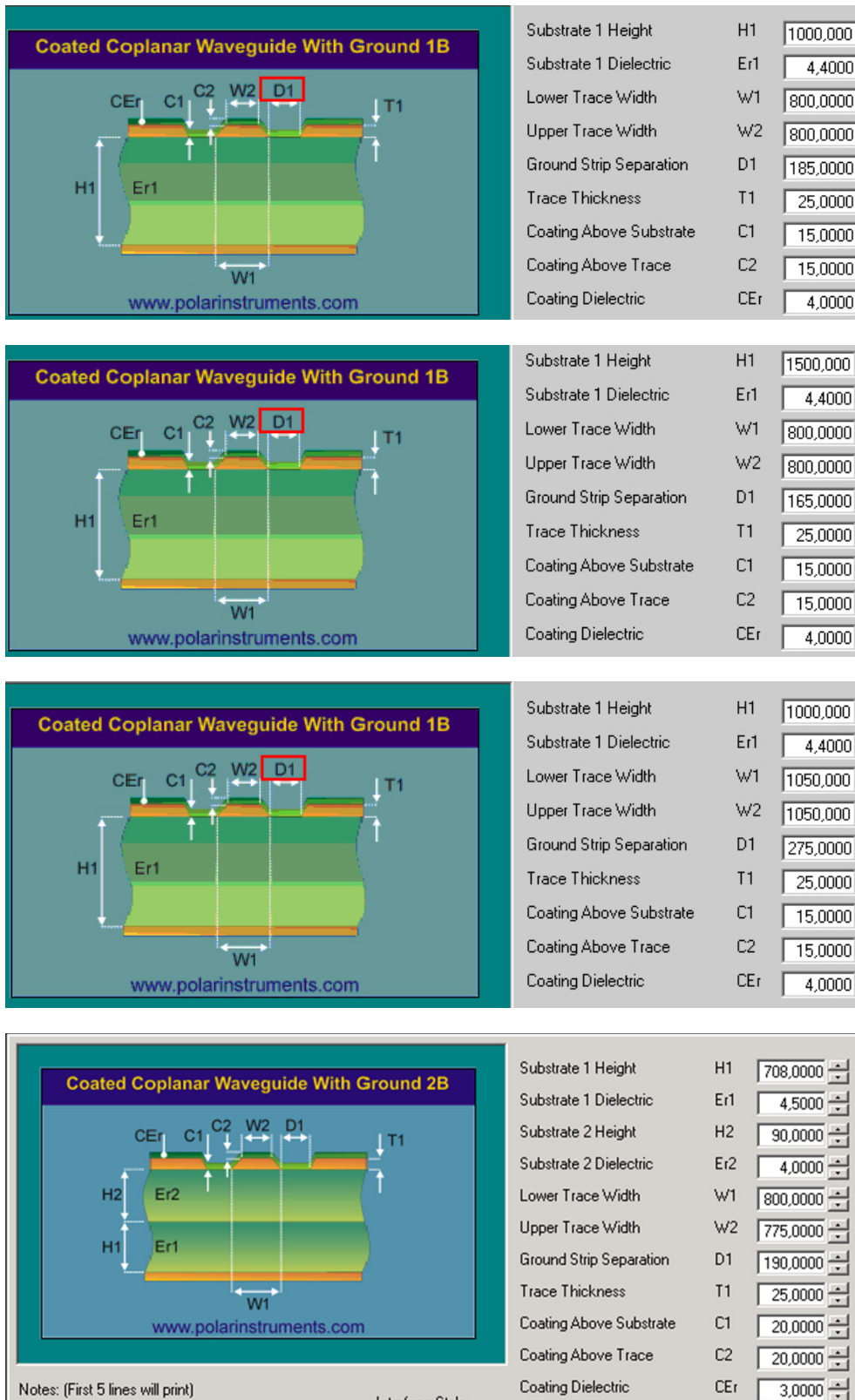
Figure 16: Embedded Stripline line arrangement



Micro-Stripline

This section gives two line arrangement examples for micro-stripline.

Figure 17: Micro-Stripline line arrangement samples



2.2.3.2. Routing Examples

Interface to RF Connector

Figure 18 and Figure 19 show a sample connection of a module's antenna pad at the bottom layer of the module PCB with an application PCB's coaxial antenna connector. Line impedance depends on line width, but also on other PCB characteristics like dielectric, height and layer gap. The sample stripline width of 0.50mm/0.75mm and the spaces of 0.35mm/0.3mm are only recommended for an application with a PCB layer stack resembling the one of the ALAS66A evaluation board, and with layer 2 as well as layer 3 cut clear. For different layer stacks the stripline width will have to follow stripline routing rules, avoiding 90 degree corners and using the shortest distance to the PCB's coaxial antenna connector.

Figure 18: Routing to application's RF connector

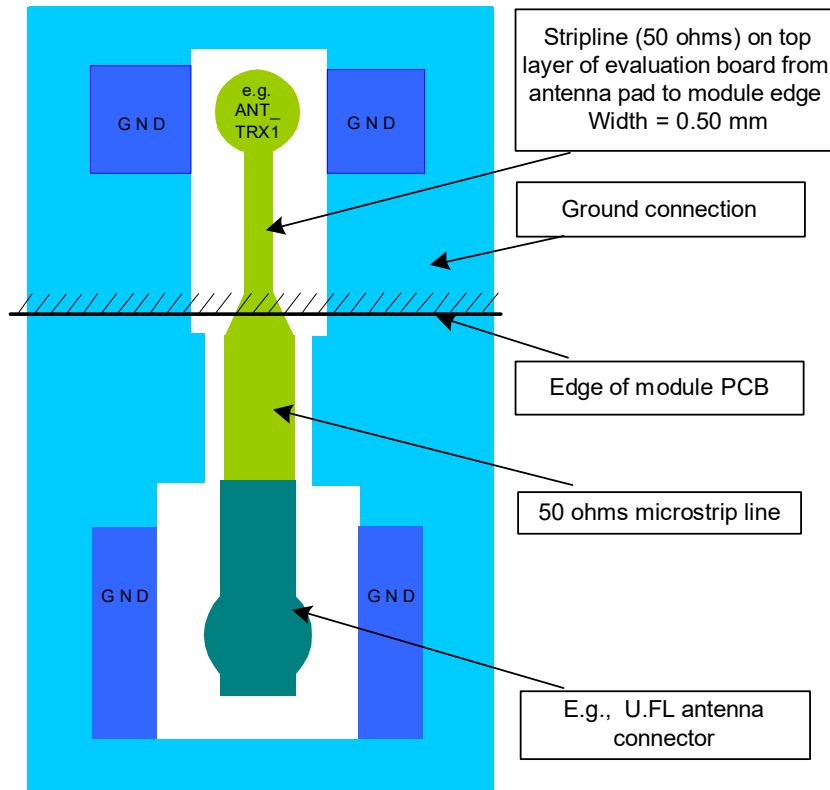
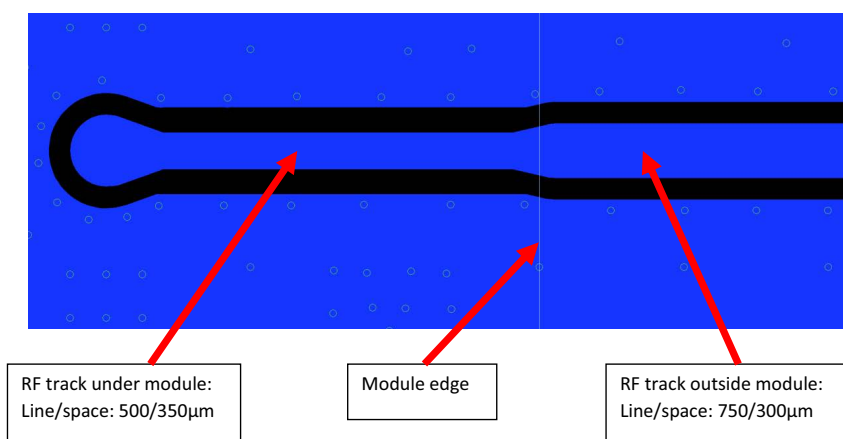


Figure 19: Routing detail



2.2.4. RF Antenna Diagnostic

RF antenna (GSM/UMTS/LTE) diagnosis requires the implementation of an external antenna detection circuit. An example for such a circuit is illustrated in [Figure 21](#). It allows to check the presence and the connection status of RF antennas.

To properly detect the antenna and verify its connection status the antenna feed point must have a DC resistance R_{ANT} of $9k\Omega (\pm 3k\Omega)$.

A positive or negative voltage drop (referred to as $V_{disturb}$) on the ground line may occur without having any impact on the measuring procedure and the measuring result. A peak deviation ($V_{disturb}$) of $\leq 0.8V$ from ground is acceptable.

$V_{disturb}$ (peak) = $\pm 0.8V$ (maximum); $f_{disturb}$ = 0Hz ... 5kHz

Waveform: DC, sinus, square-pulse, peak-pulse (width = 100 μ s)

$R_{disturb}$ = 5 Ω

To make sure that the antenna detection operates reliably, the capacitance at the module's antenna pad (i.e., the cable capacitance plus the antenna capacitance (C_{ANT})) should not be greater than 100pF. Some types of antennas (for example "inverted F antenna" or "half loop antenna") need an RF short circuit between the antenna structure and ground to work properly. In this case the RF short circuit has to be realized via a capacitance (C_{ANT}). For C_{ANT} we recommend a capacitance lower than 100pF (see [Figure 20](#)).

Figure 20: Resistor measurement used for antenna detection

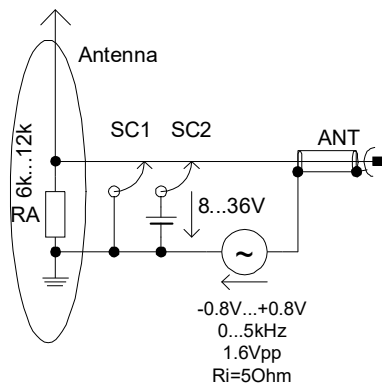
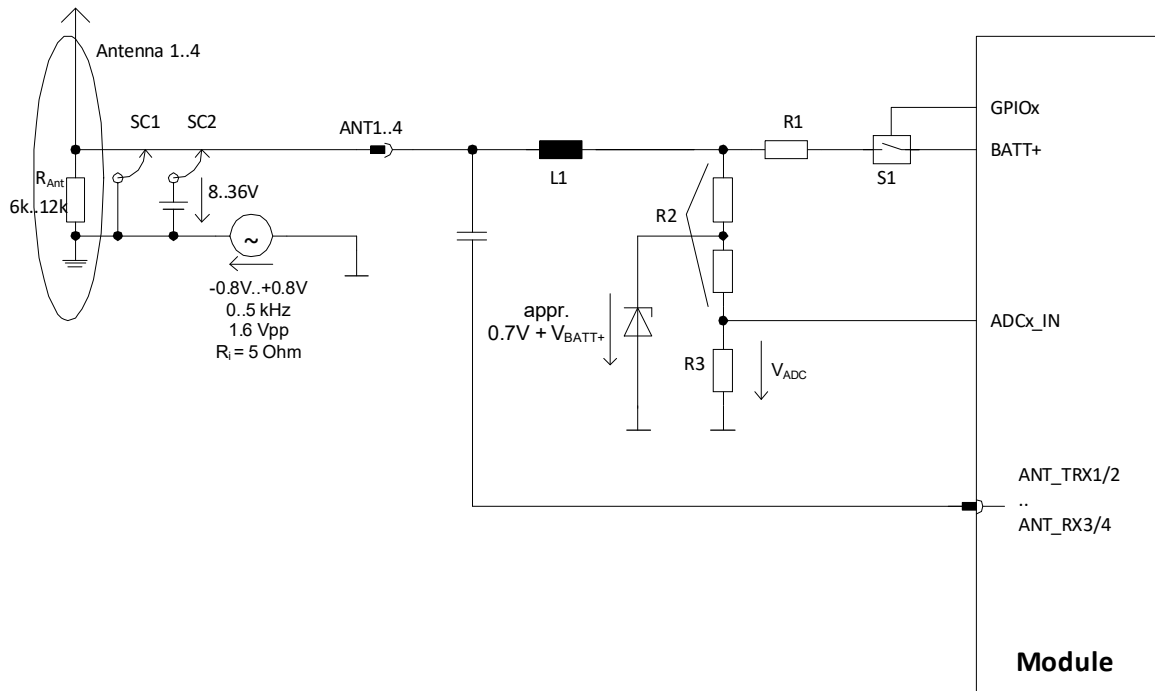


Figure 21 shows the basic principles of an antenna detection circuit that is able to detect antennas and verify their connection status. The GPIO pads can be employed to enable the antenna detection, the ADCx_IN pads can be used to measure the voltage of external devices connected to these ADC input pads - thus determining R_{ANT} values.

Figure 21: Basic circuit for antenna detection



The following Table 13 lists possible signal states for the GPIOx signal lines in case these lines are configured and used for antenna detection.

Table 13: Possible GPIOx signal states if used for antenna diagnosis

Signal state	Meaning
GPIOx: Input Pull down or Output low Output high	Antenna detection control (S1 in above figure): Off (diagnostic measurement is off) On (diagnostic measurement is on)

Table 14 lists assured antenna diagnostic states depending on the measured R_{ANT} values. Note that the R_{ANT} ranges not mentioned in the below table, i.e., $1k\Omega...6k\Omega$ and $12k\Omega...40k\Omega$ are tolerance ranges. Within these tolerance ranges a decision threshold for a diagnostic application may be located. For more details and a combined sample RF/GNSS antenna detection circuit please refer to Section 2.4.3..

Table 14: Assured antenna diagnostic states

Antenna state	R_{ANT} range
Normal operation, antenna connected (resistance at feed point as required)	$R_{ANT} = 6k\Omega...12k\Omega$
Antenna pad short-circuited to GND	$R_{ANT} = 0...1k\Omega$
Antenna not properly connected, or resistance at antenna feed point wrong or not present	$R_{ANT} = 40k\Omega... \infty\Omega$
Antenna pad is short-circuited to the supply voltage of the host application, for example the vehicle's on-board power supply voltage	max. 36V

Measuring procedure for the basic circuit given in Figure 21:

The battery current flows through R1 and RA. The voltage drop on RA is divided by $R3/(R3+R2)$ and measured by the ADCx_IN input. For the ADCx_IN voltage V_{ADCx} and the BATT+ supply voltage V_{BATT+} several measuring samples should be taken for averaging. The measured and averaged value V_{ADCx} will then be compared to three decision thresholds. The decision thresholds depend on BATT+:

Table 15: GSM/UMTS/LTE antenna diagnostic decision threshold

Decision threshold ¹		V_{ADCx}	Result
Short to GND	Appr. $0,176 * V_{BATT+}$ (580mV...738mV)	<	Short-circuited to ground
		>	Antenna connected
No antenna	Appr. $0,337 * V_{BATT+}$ (1111mV...1414mV)	<	Antenna nor properly connected
		>	
Short to power	$0.146 + 0.405 * V_{BATT+}$ (1482mV...1888mV)	<	Short-circuited to power
		>	

¹ The decision thresholds depends on BATT+ and has to be calculated separately for each decision (the BATT+ voltage level V_{BATT+} is known to the system: $3.3V \leq V_{BATT+} \leq 4.2V$).

2.3. GNSS Antenna Interface

In addition to the RF antenna interface ALAS66A also has a GNSS antenna interface. See [Section 2.1.1](#). to find out where the GNSS antenna pad is located. The GNSS pad's shape is the same as for the RF antenna interface (see [Section 2.2.2](#)).

It is possible to connect active or passive GNSS antennas. In either case they must have 50Ω impedance. The simultaneous operation of GSM/UMTS/LTE and GNSS is implemented. For electrical characteristics see [Section 2.2](#).

ALAS66A provides the signal GNSS_EN to enable an active GNSS antenna power supply. [Figure 22](#) shows the flexibility in realizing the power supply for an active GNSS antenna by giving a sample circuit realizing the supply voltage for an active GNSS antenna. For more details and a combined sample RF/GNSS antenna detection circuit please refer to [Section 2.4.3](#).

Figure 22: Supply voltage for active GNSS antenna

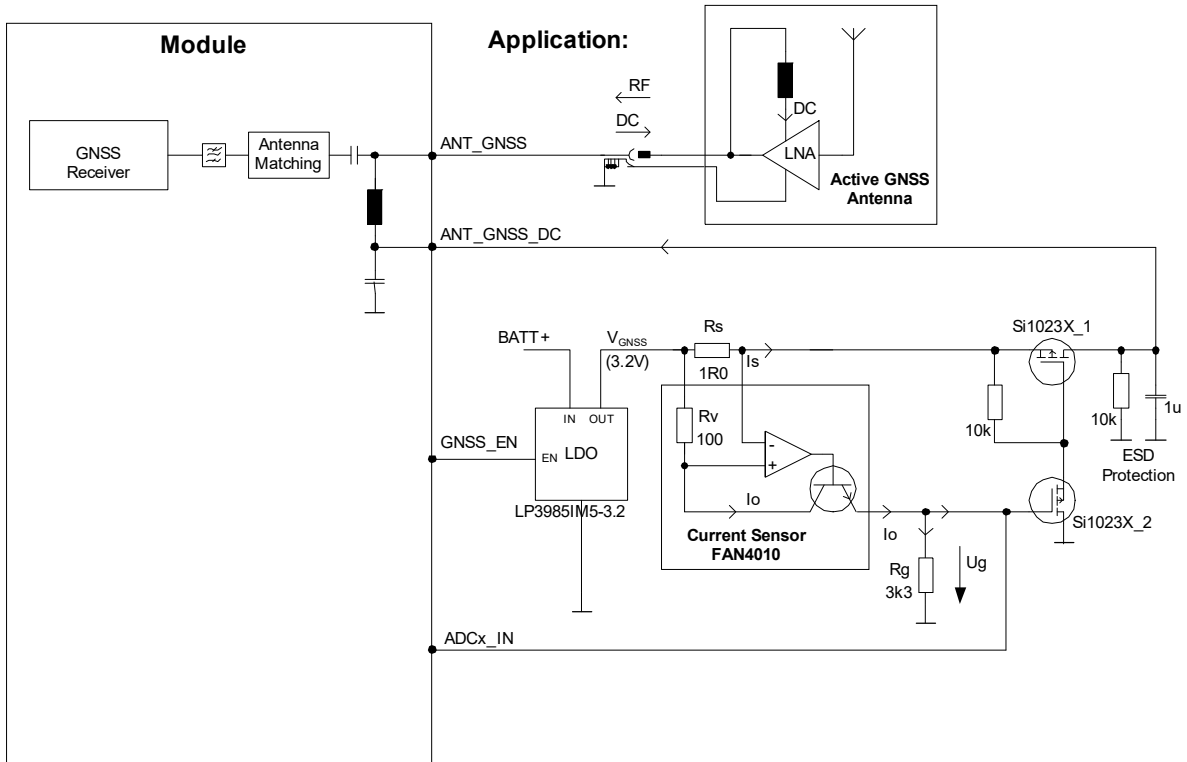
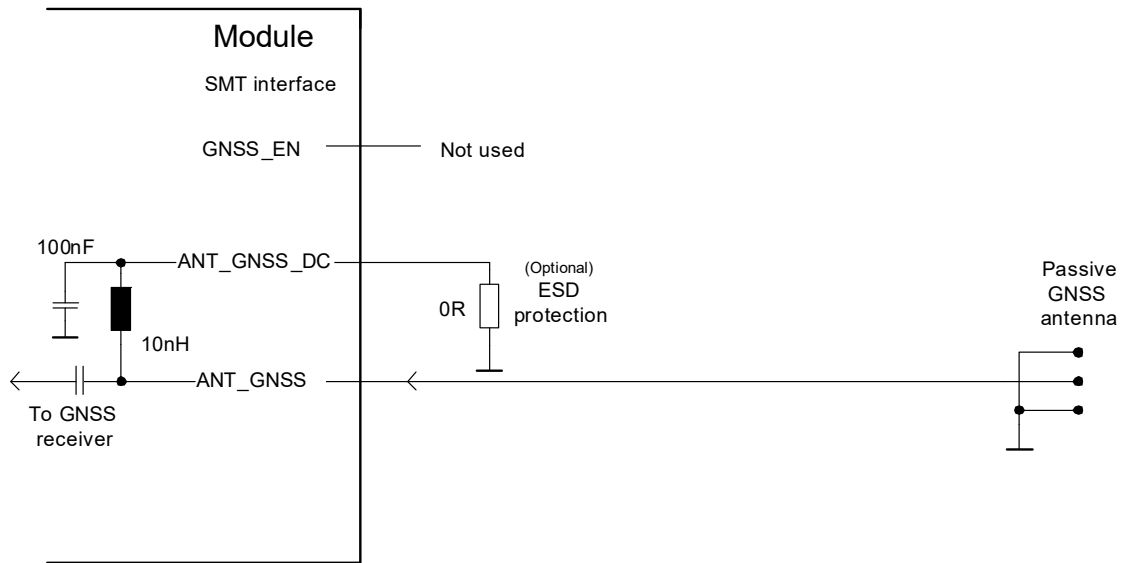


Figure 23 shows a sample circuit realizing ESD protection for a passive GNSS antenna. Connecting the input ANT_GNSS_DC to GND prevents ESD from coupling into the module.

Figure 23: ESD protection for passive GNSS antenna



2.3.1. GNSS Antenna Diagnostic

GNSS antenna diagnosis does require an external detection circuit. The antenna DC supply current can be measured via ADCx_IN. The ADCx_IN input voltage (U_G) may be generated by a sample circuit shown in Figure 22. The circuit allows to check the presence and the connection status of an active GNSS antenna. Passive GNSS antennas cannot be detected. Therefore, GNSS antenna detection is only available in active GNSS antenna mode.

Having enabled the active GNSS antenna mode the presence and connection status of an active GNSS antenna can be checked. The following table lists sample current ranges for possible antenna states as well as sample voltage ranges as possible decision thresholds to distinguish between the antenna connection states.

Table 16: Sample ranges of the GNSS antenna diagnostic measurements and their possible meaning

Antenna connection status	Current ranges (I_S) ¹	Voltage ranges (U_G)
Antenna not connected	<1.4mA	
Decision threshold		59mV ±20%
Antenna connected	2.2mA...20mA	
Decision threshold		825mV ±20%
Antenna short circuited to ground	>30mA	
GNSS antenna detection is not possible because GNSS antenna power supply is switched off.	--	

¹ Please note that the mA ranges 1.4mA...2.2mA and 20mA...30mA are tolerance ranges. The decision threshold should be defined within these ranges.

2.4. Sample Application

Figure 24 shows a typical example of how to integrate an ALAS66A module with an application.

The PWR_IND line is an open collector that needs an external pull-up resistor which connects to the voltage supply VCC μ C of the microcontroller. Low state of the open collector pulls the PWR_IND signal low and indicates that the ALAS66A module is active, high level notifies the Power Down mode.

If the module is in Power Down mode avoid current flowing from any other source into the module circuit, for example reverse current from high state external control lines. Therefore, the controlling application must be designed to prevent reverse flow.

While developing SMT applications it is strongly recommended to provide test points for certain signals, i.e., lines to and from the module - for debug and/or test purposes. The SMT application should allow for an easy access to these signals. For details on how to implement test points see [2].

The EMC measures are best practice recommendations. In fact, an adequate EMC strategy for an individual application is very much determined by the overall layout and, especially, the position of components.

Some LGA pads are connected to clocks or high speed data streams that might interfere with the module's antenna. The RF receiver would then be blocked at certain frequencies (self interference). The external application's PCB tracks connected to these pads should therefore be well shielded or kept away from the antenna. This applies especially to the USB and UICC/SIM interfaces.

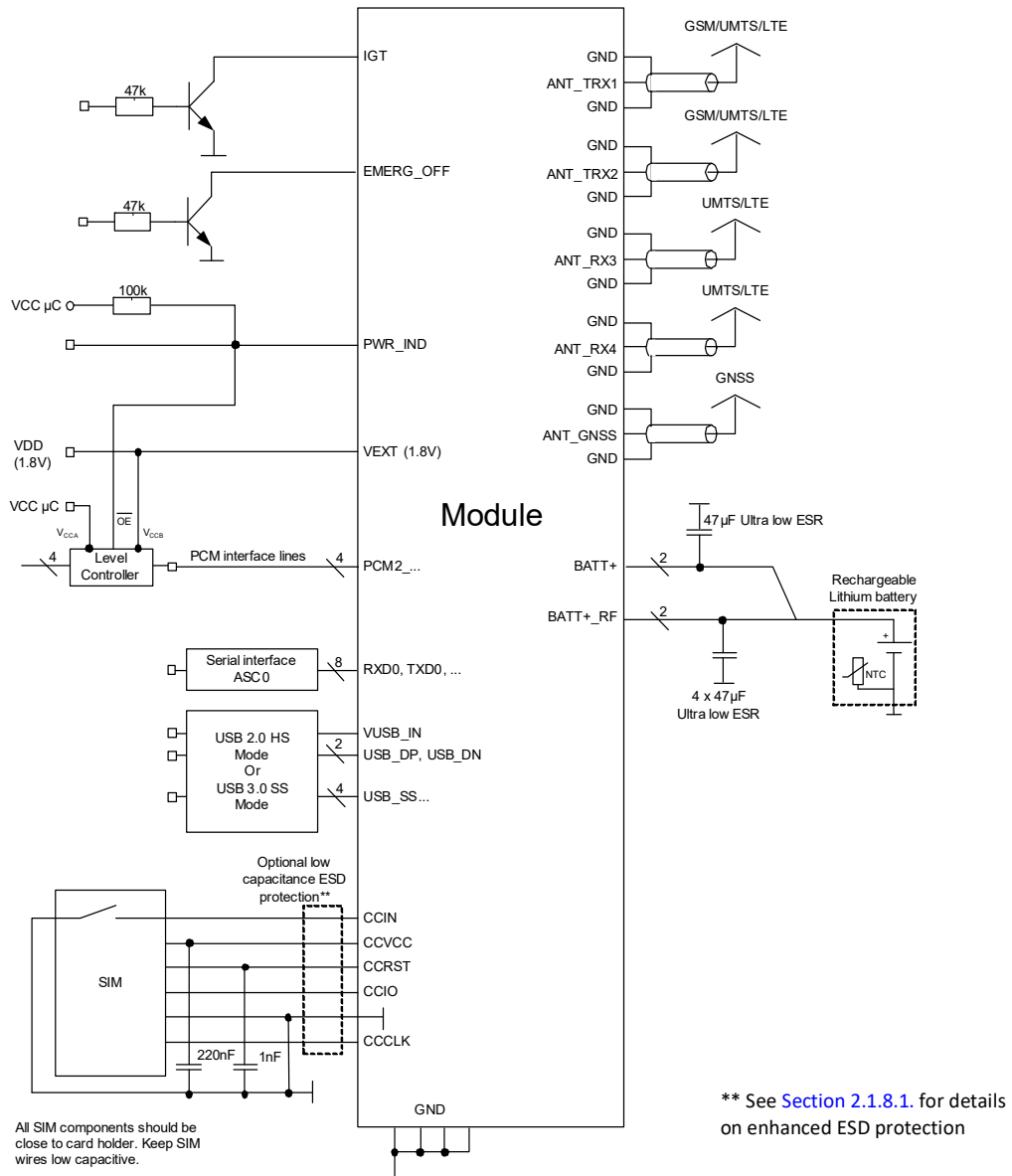
Depending on the micro controller used by an external application ALAS66A's digital input and output lines may require level conversion. Section 2.4.2. shows a possible sample level conversion circuit.

The analog-to-digital converter (ADCx_IN lines) can be used for antenna diagnosis. A sample antenna detection circuit can be found in Figure 26 and Figure 27.

Disclaimer:

No warranty, either stated or implied, is provided on the sample schematic diagram shown in Figure 24 and the information detailed in this section. As functionality and compliance with national regulations depend to a great amount on the used electronic components and the individual application layout manufacturers are required to ensure adequate design and operating safeguards for their products using ALAS66A modules.

Figure 24: ALAS66A sample application



2.4.1. Prevent Back Powering

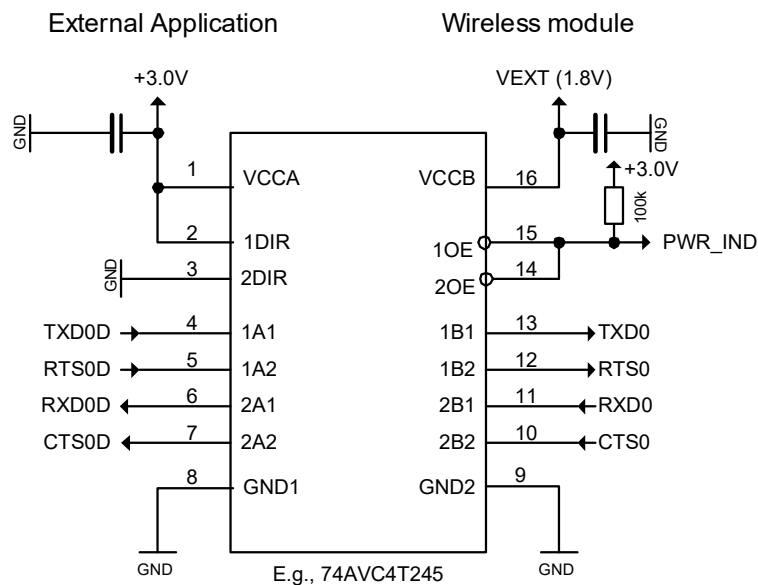
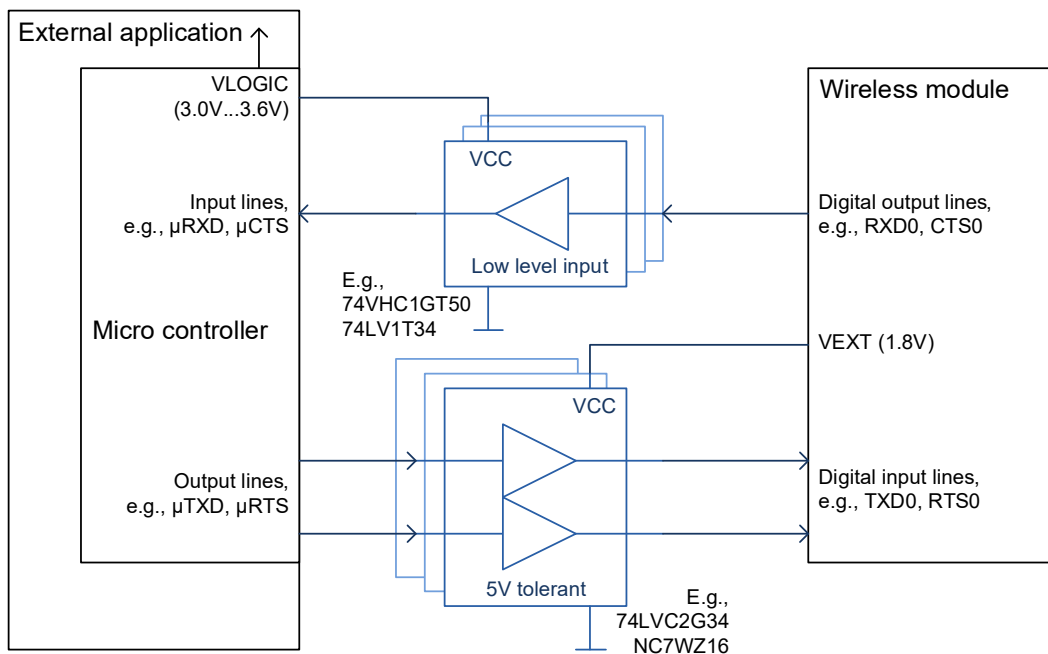
Because of the very low power consumption design, current flowing from any other source into the module circuit must be avoided in any case, for example reverse current from high state external control lines while the module is powered down. Therefore, the external application must be designed to prevent reverse current flow. Otherwise there is the risk of undefined states of the module during startup and shutdown or even of damaging the module. A simple solution preventing back powering is the usage of VEXT for level shifters, as Figure 25 shows. If level shifters are not really required, it is also possible to employ buffers.

While the module is in power down mode, VEXT must have a level lower than 0.3V after a certain time. If this is not the case the module is fed back by the application interface - recognizing such a fault state is possible by VEXT.

2.4.2. Sample Level Conversion Circuit

Depending on the micro controller used by an external application ALAS66A's digital input and output lines (i.e., ASCO lines) may require level conversion. The following Figure 25 shows sample circuits with recommended level shifters for an external application's micro controller (with VLOGIC between 3.0V...3.6V). The level shifters can be used for digital input and output lines with $V_{OH,max}=1.85V$ or $V_{IH,max}=1.85V$. The circuits recommend below would also be suitable for back powering protection.

Figure 25: Sample level conversion circuits



2.4.3. Sample Circuit for Antenna Detection

The following figures explain how an RF antenna detection circuit may be implemented for ALAS66A to be able to detect connected antennas (for basic circuit and diagnostic principles - including usage of GPIO and ADCx_IN pads - please refer to Section 2.2.4.). Figure 26 gives a general overview, Figure 27 depicts the actual antenna detection layout and shows how ESD protection, i.e., the RF/DC bridge, will have to be handled.

Properties for the components mentioned in Figure 26 and Figure 27 are given in Table 17 - parts list.

Figure 26: Antenna detection circuit sample - overview

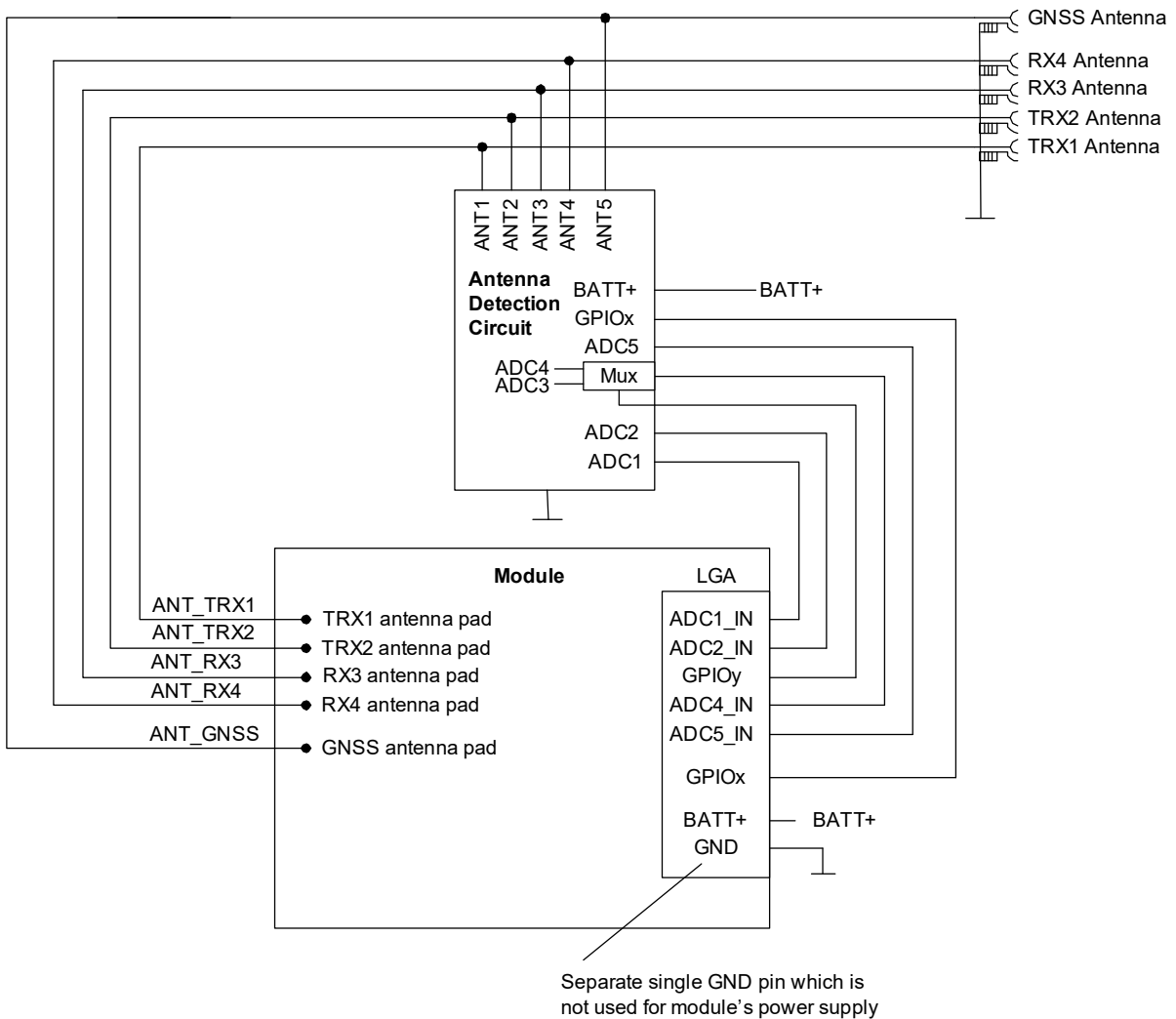


Figure 27: Antenna detection circuit sample - schematic

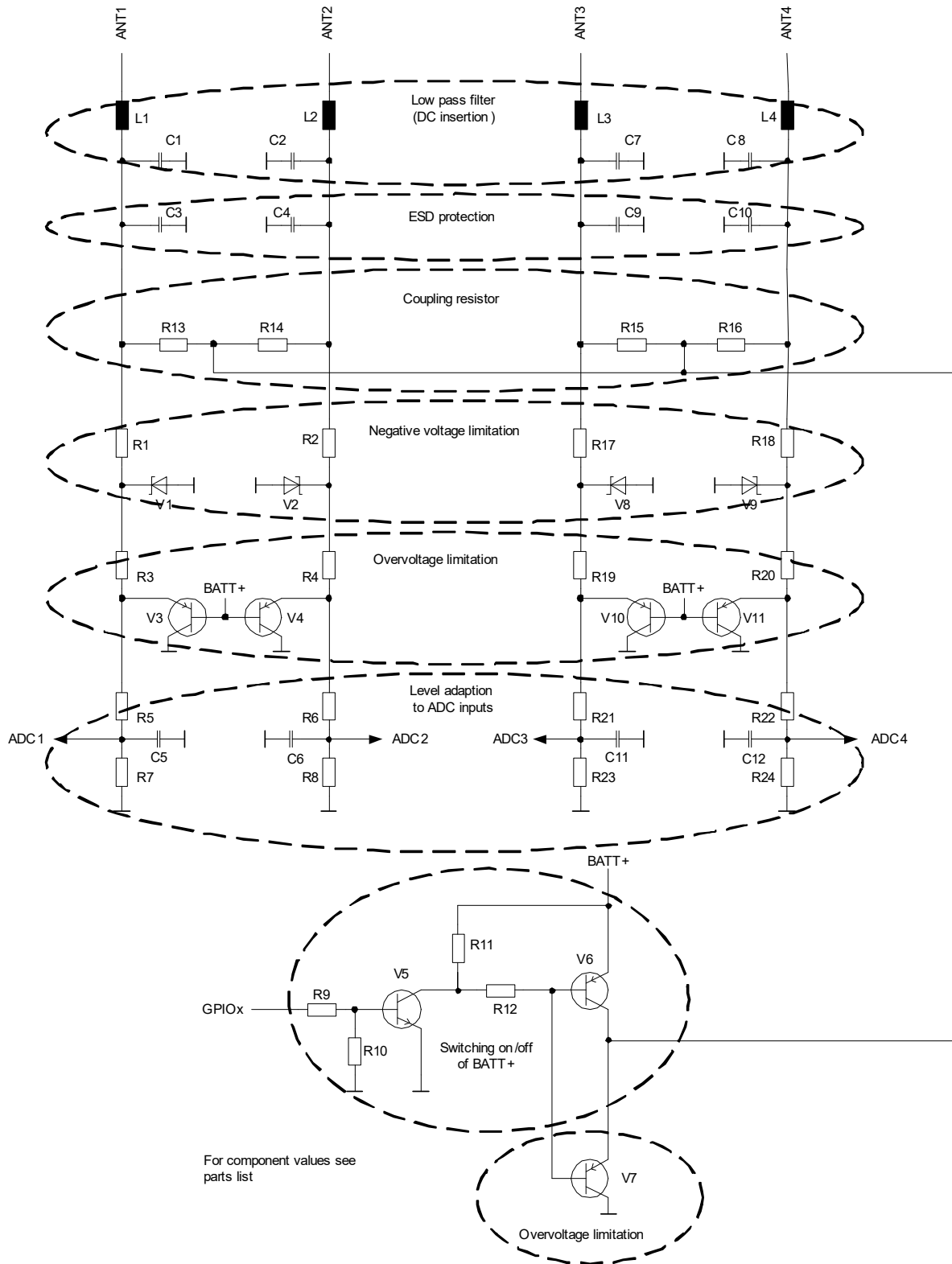


Table 17: Antenna detection reference circuit - parts list

Reference	Part	Value	Tolerance	Conditions	Size
R1,2,17,18	Resistor	22R			
R3,4,19,20	Resistor	10k		$\geq 125\text{mW}$	
R5,6,21,22	Resistor	140k	1%		
R7,8,23,24	Resistor	100k	1%		
R9,10	Resistor	100k			
R11,12	Resistor	10k		$\geq 125\text{mW}$	
R13,14,15,16	Resistor	4k4 (e.g., 2x2k2 or 4x1k1)	1%	$\geq 300\text{mW}$	
C1,2,7,8	Capacitor	22p		50V	≤ 0402
C3,4,9,10	Capacitor	100n		50V	
C5,6,11,12	Capacitor	100n		10V	
V1,2,8,9	Schottky diode	RB520-40		40V	
V3,4,6,7,10,11	Transistor	BC857			
V5	Transistor	BC847			
L1,2,3,4	Inductor	39nH		Wire wound High Q	0402

3/ GNSS Interface

ALAS66A integrates a GNSS receiver that offers the full performance of GPS/GLONASS technology. The GNSS receiver is able to continuously track all satellites in view, thus providing accurate satellite position data.

The integrated GNSS receiver supports the NMEA protocol via USB or ASC0 interface. NMEA is a combined electrical and data specification for communication between various (marine) electronic devices including GNSS receivers. It has been defined and controlled by the US based National Marine Electronics Association. For more information on the NMEA Standard please refer to <http://www.nmea.org>.

Depending on the receiver's knowledge of last position, current time and ephemeris data, the receiver's startup time (i.e., TTFF = Time-To-First-Fix) may vary: If the receiver has no knowledge of its last position or time, a startup takes considerably longer than if the receiver has still knowledge of its last position, time and almanac or has still access to valid ephemeris data and the precise time. For more information see [Section 3.1.](#)

By default, the GNSS receiver is switched off. It has to be switched on and configured.

Dead Reckoning Sync Line:

Dead reckoning solutions are used in (automotive) platforms to determine the (vehicles) location even when there is no GNSS signal available (e.g. in tunnels, basement garages or even between high buildings in cities).

In addition to dead reckoning related NMEA sentences, ALAS66A provides a dead reckoning synchronization line (DR_SYNC line) to be employed in external dead reckoning applications. DR_SYNC is derived from the GNSS signal clock as 1 pulse per second (1PPS) signal, with a frequency of 1Hz, an accuracy of +/-5 ms, and a high state pulse of 1ms. The DR_SYNC signal is provided as long as synchronized with the GNSS satellite clock, and continues after GNSS signal loss. DR_SYNC can be configured for the GPIO1 pad.

For electrical characteristics see [Table 4](#).

3.1. GNSS Interface Characteristics

The following tables list general characteristics of the GNSS interface.

Table 18: GNSS properties


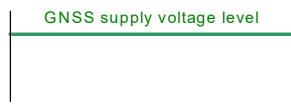
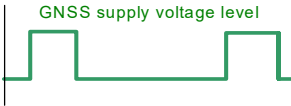
Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typical	Max.	Unit
Frequency	GPS	1575	1575.42	1585	MHz
	GLONASS	1597	1602	1607	
	Beidou ¹	--	--	--	
	Galileo	1597	1575.42	1585	
Tracking Sensitivity	Open sky		-159		dBm
	Active antenna or LNA ²				
	Passive antenna:				
	GPS		-156		
	GLONASS		-154		
Beidou ¹		--			
Galileo		-150			
Acquisition Sensitivity	Open sky		-149		dBm
	Active antenna or LNA ²				
	Passive antenna:				
	GPS		-145		
	GLONASS		-140		
Beidou ¹		--			
Galileo		-140			
Cold Start sensitivity	GPS		-145		dBm
	GLONASS		-140		
	Beidou ¹		--		
	Galileo		-140		
Time-to-First-Fix (TTFF)	Cold		25	32	s
	Warm		10	29	s

¹ Conditions and measurements not yet finalized.

² Only measured for GPS.

Through the external GNSS antenna DC feeding the module is able to supply an active GNSS antenna. The supply voltage level at the GNSS antenna interface depends on the GNSS configuration.

Table 19: Power supply for active GNSS antenna

Function	Setting samples	IO	Signal form and level
GNSS active antenna supply	Supply voltage with: GNSS receiver off Active antenna off	O	
	Supply voltage with: GNSS receiver on Active antenna on SLEEP mode	O	
	Supply voltage with: GNSS receiver on Active antenna auto	O	

4/ Operating Characteristics

4.1. Operating Modes

The table below briefly summarizes the various operating modes referred to throughout the document.

Table 20: Overview of operating modes

Mode	Function	
Normal operation	GSM / GPRS / UMTS / HSPA / LTE SLEEP	Power saving set automatically when no call is in progress and the USB connection is detached and no active communication via ASCO. Also, the GNSS active antenna mode has to be turned off or set to "auto"
	GSM / GPRS / UMTS / HSPA / LTE IDLE	Power saving disabled or an USB connection active, but no data transfer in progress.
	GSM TALK/ GSM DATA	Connection between two subscribers is in progress. Power consumption depends on the GSM network coverage and several connection settings (e.g. DTX off/on, FR/EFR/HR, hopping sequences and antenna connection). The following applies when power is to be measured in TALK_GSM mode: DTX off, FR and no frequency hopping.
	GPRS DATA	GPRS data transfer in progress. Power consumption depends on network settings (e.g. power control level), uplink / downlink data rates and GPRS configuration (e.g. used multislot settings).
	EGPRS DATA	EGPRS data transfer in progress. Power consumption depends on network settings (e.g. power control level), uplink / downlink data rates and EGPRS configuration (e.g. used multislot settings).
	UMTS TALK/UMTS DATA	UMTS data transfer in progress. Power consumption depends on network settings (e.g. TPC Pattern) and data transfer rate.
	HSPA DATA	HSPA data transfer in progress. Power consumption depends on network settings (e.g. TPC Pattern) and data transfer rate.
	LTE DATA	LTE data transfer in progress. Power consumption depends on network settings, data transfer rates, and carrier aggregation/MIMO configuration.
Power Down	Normal shutdown. Software is not active. Interfaces are not accessible. Operating voltage (connected to BATT+) remains applied. Only a voltage regulator is active for powering the RTC, as long as operating voltage applied at BATT+ does not drop below approx. 1.4V.	
Airplane mode	Airplane mode shuts down the radio part of the module, causes the module to log off from the GSM/GPRS network and disables all commands whose execution requires a radio connection.	

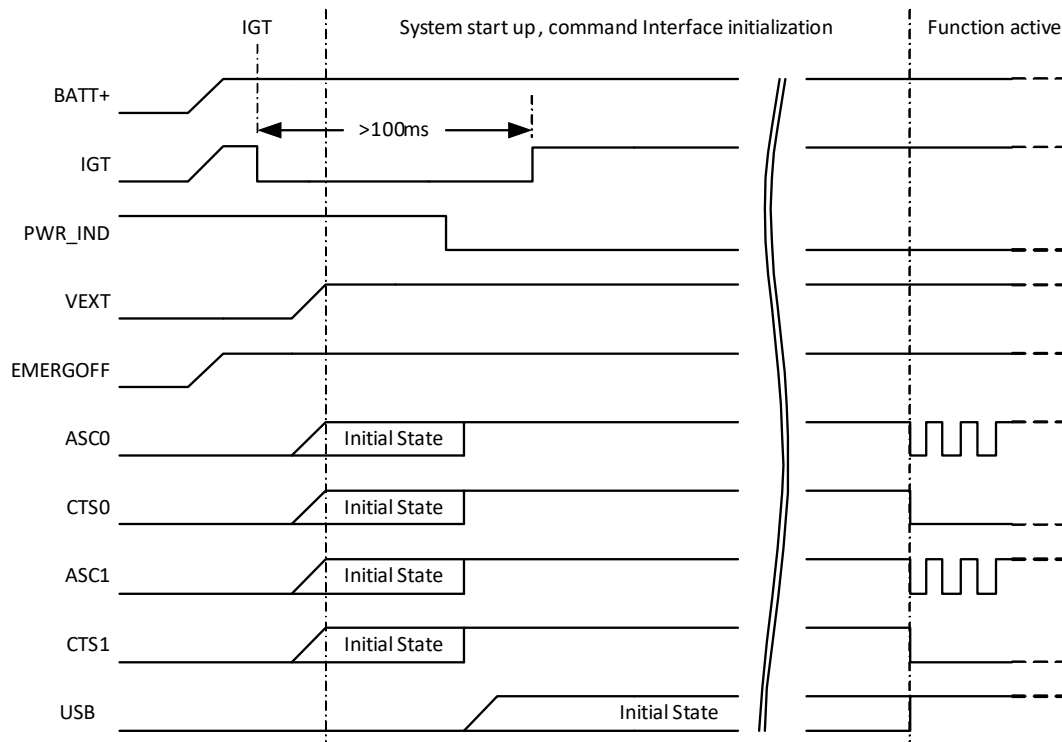
4.2. Power Up/Power Down Scenarios

In general, be sure not to turn on ALAS66A while it is beyond the safety limits of voltage (see [Section 2.1.2.1.](#)) and temperature (see [Section 4.5.](#)). ALAS66A immediately switches off after having started and detected these inappropriate conditions. In extreme cases this can cause permanent damage to the module.

4.2.1. Turn on ALAS66A

When the ALAS66A module is in Power Down mode, it can be started to Normal mode by driving the IGT (ignition) line to ground. It is required to use an open drain/collector driver to avoid current flowing into this signal line. Pulling this signal low triggers a power-on sequence. To turn on ALAS66A, it is strongly recommended to keep IGT active low for at least 100 milliseconds, even though under certain conditions a period of less than 100 milliseconds might be sufficient. After turning on ALAS66A, IGT should be set inactive to prevent the module from turning on again after a shut down by EMERG_OFF. For details on signal states during startup see also [Section 4.2.2.](#)

Figure 28: Power-on with IGT



Note: After power up IGT should remain high. Also note that with a USB connection the USB host may take some seconds to set up the virtual COM port connection.

After startup or mode change the following URCs are sent to every port able to receive commands indicating the module's ready state (this may take up to approx. 36s):

- "^SYSSTART" indicates that the module has entered Normal mode.
- "^SYSSTART AIRPLANE MODE" indicates that the module has entered Airplane mode.

These URCs notify the external application that the first command can be sent to the module. If these URCs are not used to detect then the only way of checking the module's ready state can be checked by polling, e.g., send characters until the module is responding.

4.2.2. Signal States after First Startup

Table 21 describes the various states each interface signal passes through after startup until the system is active.

Signals are in an initial state while the module is initializing. Once the startup initialization has completed, i.e. when the firmware is running, all signals are in a specific defined state. The state of some signals may change again once a respective interface is activated or configured.

Table 21: Signal states

Signal name	Pad no.	Reset phase (ignition) 0 - 100ms	Hardware init 100ms - 5s	Firmware init 5s - 36s	System active >36s
CCIN	N19	PD	PD/PU	PD/PU --> PU	PU
CCRST	L19	L	L	1.8V/3V Data	L
CCIO	J19	L	L	1.8V/3V Data	L
CCCLK	M19	L	L	1.8V/3V CLK	L
RXD0	F18	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
TXD0	H19	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
CTS0	G19	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
RTS0	G20	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
RXD1	R9	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
TXD1	R8	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
CTS1	R7	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
RTS1	R6	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> Tri	Tri
DIN2	N9	Tri	PU --> PD	PD	PD
BCLK2	N10	Tri	PD	PD	512kHz clock
FSC2	N7	Tri	PD	PD	16kHz clock
DOU2	N8	Tri	PD	PD	L
I2CDAT1	M9	Tri	PD --> PU	PU	PU
I2CCLK1	M10	Tri	PD --> PU	PU	PU
I2CDAT2	M11	Tri	PD --> PU	PU	PU
I2CCLK2	M12	Tri	PD --> PU	PU	PU
EMERG_OFF	F16	PD	PU	PU	PU
PCIE_HOST_RST	R11	Tri	PD --> L	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	L
PCIE_HOST_WAKE	R10	Tri	PD	PD --> Tri	Tri
PCIE_CLK_REQ	R14	Tri	PD	PD --> L	L
PCIE_CLK_P	P16	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
PCIE_CLK_M	P17	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
PCIE_RX_P	T12	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
PCIE_RX_M	T13	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
PCIE_TX_P	T15	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
PCIE_TX_M	T16	Tri/PCle	Tri/PCle	2 packets activity (11s and 13s)	Tri/PCle
ANT_SW1	E12	Tri	PD	PD	L
ANT_SW2	E11	Tri	PD	PD	L
ANT_SW3	E10	Tri	PD	PD	L
ANT_GNSS_DC	A17	L	L	L	L
GNSS_EN	D13	PD	PD	PD	PD
ADC1_IN	D10	Tri	Tri	Tri	Tri
ADC2_IN	D11	Tri	Tri	Tri	Tri
ADC4_IN	D8	Tri	Tri	Tri	Tri

Table 21: Signal states

Signal name	Pad no.	Reset phase (ignition) 0 - 100ms	Hardware init 100ms - 5s	Firmware init 5s - 36s	System active >36s
ADC5_IN	D9	Tri	Tri	Tri	Tri
JTAG_WD_DISABLE	M8	Tri	PD	PD --> H (after 24s)	H
JTAG_TCK	C18	L	H	H	H
JTAG_TMS	D14	L	H	H	H
JTAG_TRST	D15	Tri	PD	PD	PD
JTAG_TDI	D16	L	H	H	H
JTAG_SRST	D17	L	H	H	H
JTAG_TDO	D18	L	H	H	H
JTAG_PS_HOLD	E13	Tri	H	H	H
EMMC_D0	N15	Tri	PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD
EMMC_D1	M14	Tri	PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD
EMMC_D2	N14	Tri	PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD
EMMC_D3	P14	Tri	PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD
EMMC_D4	N12	Tri	PD	PD	PD
EMMC_D5	N13	Tri	PD	PD	PD
EMMC_D6	M13	Tri	PD	PD	PD
EMMC_D7	P12	Tri	L	L	L
EMMC_CLK	P15	Tri	PD --> L	50ms CLK and 950ms PD	50ms CLK and 950ms PD
EMMC_CMD	P13	Tri	PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD	50ms PU and 950ms PD
EMMC_DETECT	L7	Tri	PD --> PU	PU	PU
EMMC_PWR	L15	L	L	50ms 2.85V and 950ms L (after 3s)	50ms 2.85V and 950ms L
GPIO1	E8	Tri	PD	PD --> L	L
GPIO2	T7	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO4	L20	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO5	P6	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO6	H18	Tri	PU --> PD	PD	PD
GPIO7	E9	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO8	M20	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO9	T10	Tri	PD	PD --> H	Data/H
GPIO10	T8	Tri	PD	PD --> Tri	Tri
GPIO11	D12	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO15	T9	Tri	PD	PD --> H (after 6s)	H
GPIO16	R17	Tri	PD	PD --> PU (after 28s)	PU
GPIO17	M7	Tri	PD	PD --> H (after 24s)	H
GPIO18	F17	PD	PD	PD	PD
GPIO19	J20	Tri	PD --> PU	PU --> PD	PD
GPIO20	G18	Tri	PU	PD	PD
GPIO21	F19	Tri	PD	PD	PD
GPIO22	M15	Tri	PD	PD	PD
HEART_BEAT	C17	Tri	PD	H --> L with 0.1Hz frequency)	H --> L with 0.1Hz frequency)
USB_SSTX_P	H16	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB
USB_SSTX_N	H17	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB
USB_SSRX_P	K16	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB

Table 21: Signal states

Signal name	Pad no.	Reset phase (ignition) 0 - 100ms	Hardware init 100ms - 5s	Firmware init 5s - 36s	System active >36s
USB_SSRX_N	K17	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB
USB_DP	M16	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB
USB_DN	M17	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB	Tri/USB
VUSB_IN	P18	L (no value)	L (no value)	L (no value)	L (no value)
IGT	D19	PU	PU	PU	PU
PWR_IND	R5	Tri	L	L	L
VEXT	E18	L	1.8V	1.8V	1.8V

L = Low level in Push-Pull configuration
H = High level in Push-Pull configuration
Tri = Tristate configuration

PD = Pull down configuration
PU = Pull up configuration

4.2.3. Turn off or Restart ALAS66A

To switch off or restart the module the following procedures may be used:

- *Software controlled shutdown procedure:* Software controlled over the serial application interface. See [Section 4.2.3.1.](#)
- *Software controlled restart procedure:* Software controlled over the serial application interface. See [Section 4.2.3.2.](#)
- *Hardware controlled shutdown procedure:* Hardware controlled shutdown by IGT line. See [Section 4.2.3.3.](#)
- *Hardware controlled shutdown or restart procedure:* Hardware controlled shutdown or restart by EMERG_OFF line. See [Section 4.2.3.4.](#)
- *Automatic shutdown (software controlled):* See [Section 4.2.4.](#)
 - Takes effect if ALAS66A board temperature exceeds a critical limit

In case the dedicated software or hardware controlled shutdown procedures described in the section below fail or hang for some reason, it may become necessary to disconnect BATT+ in order to shut down the module. Please refer to [Section 4.2.3.5.](#) for a description of this context.

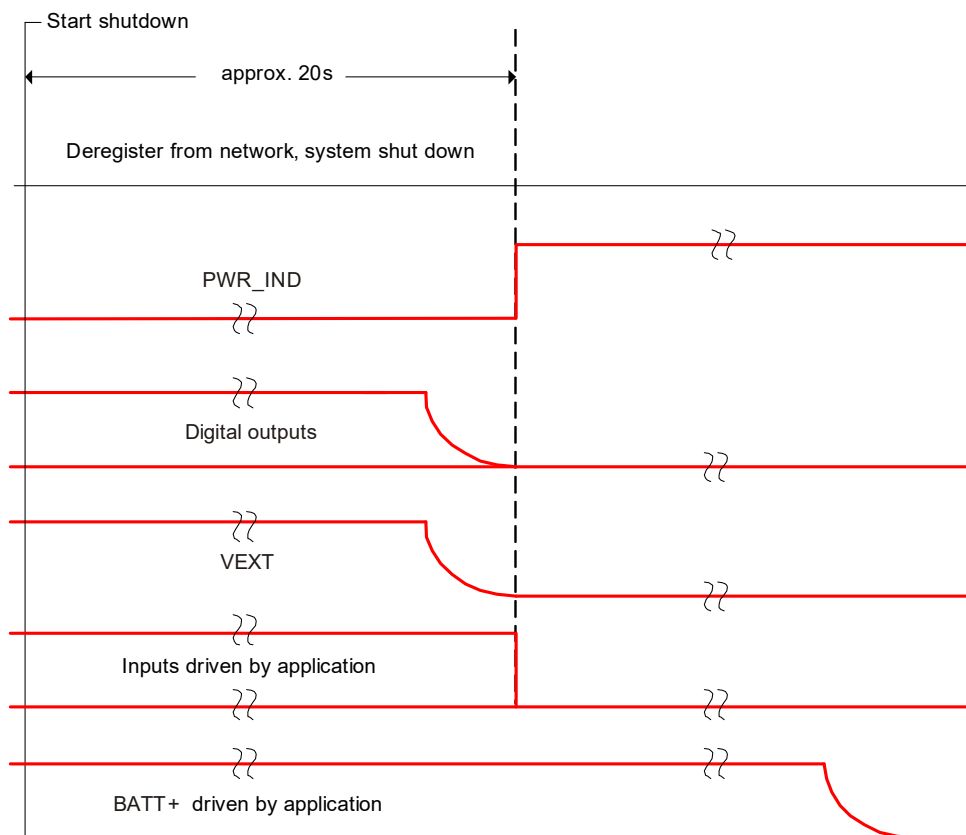
4.2.3.1. Switch off ALAS66A Using Shutdown Command

The best and safest approach to powering down ALAS66A is to issue the shutdown command. This procedure lets ALAS66A log off from the network and allows the software to enter into a secure state and save data before disconnecting the power supply. The mode is referred to as Power Down mode. While powering down the module may still send some URCs. The shutdown command's "OK" response indicates that the data has been stored non-volatile and the module will turn down in a few seconds. The complete power down procedure may take approx. 20s. To verify that the module definitely turned off, it is possible to monitor the PWR_IND signal. A high state of the PWR_IND signal line indicates that the module is being switched off as shown in Figure 29.

Be sure not to disconnect the supply voltage V_{BATT+} before the module's switch off procedure has been completed. Otherwise you run the risk of losing data. Signal states during switch off are shown in Figure 29.

While ALAS66A is in Power Down mode the application interface is switched off and must not be fed from any other source. Therefore, your application must be designed to avoid any current flow into any digital signal lines of the application interface. No special care is required for the USB interface which is protected from reverse current.

Figure 29: Signal states during turn-off procedure



Note 1: VEXT can be used in solutions to prevent back powering (see also Section 2.4.1.). It should have a level lower than 0.3V after module shutdown.

Note 2: After module shutdown by means of AT command, i.e., after the VEXT level went below 0.3V, please allow for a time period of at least 1 second before restarting the module.

4.2.3.2. Restart ALAS66A Using Restart Command

The best and safest approach to restart ALAS66A is by restart command.

4.2.3.3. Turn off ALAS66A Using IGT Line

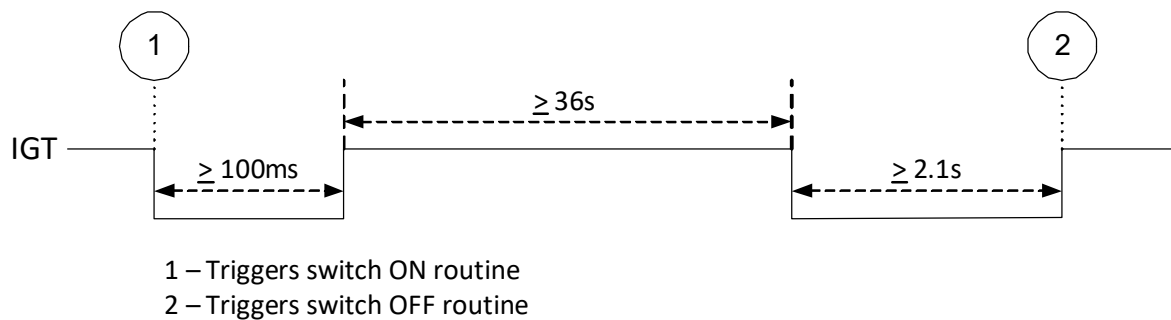
The IGT line can be configured for use in two different switching modes: You can configure the IGT line to switch on the module only, or to switch it on and off. This approach is useful for external application manufacturers who wish to have an ON/OFF switch installed on the host device.

By factory default, the ON/OFF switch mode of IGT is disabled.

Take great care before changing the switching mode of the IGT line. To ensure that the IGT line works properly as ON/OFF switch it is of vital importance that the following conditions are met:

- › Switch-on condition: If the ALAS66A is off, the IGT line must be asserted for at least 100 milliseconds before being released.
- › Switch-off condition: If the ALAS66A is on, the IGT line must be asserted for at least 2.1 seconds before being released. The module switches off after the line is released. The switch-off routine is identical with the procedure initiated by shutdown command, i.e. the software performs an orderly shutdown as described in [Section 4.2.3.1.](#) Before switching off the module wait at least 36 seconds after startup.

Figure 30: Timing of IGT if used as ON/OFF switch



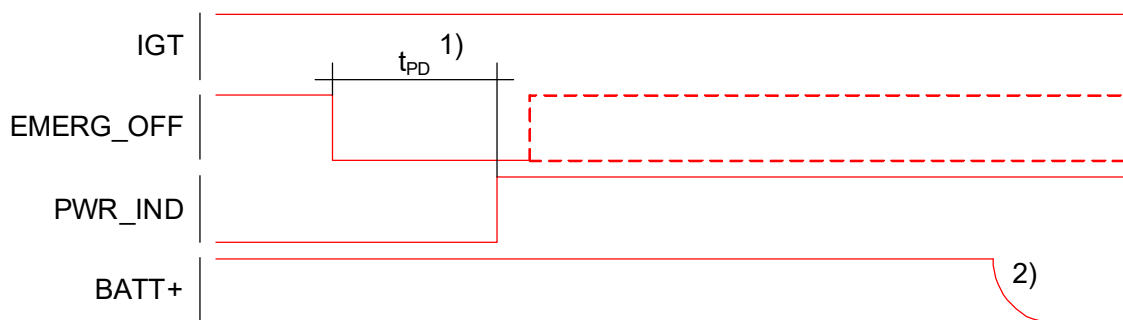
4.2.3.4. Turn off or Restart ALAS66A in Case of Emergency

Caution: Use the EMERG_OFF line only when, due to serious problems, the software is not responding for more than 5 seconds. Pulling the EMERG_OFF line causes the loss of all information stored in the volatile memory. Therefore, this procedure is intended only for use in case of emergency, e.g. if ALAS66A does not respond, if reset or shutdown via command fails.

The EMERG_OFF line is available on the application interface and can be used to turn off or to restart the module. In any case the EMERG_OFF line must be pulled to ground until the Power Down mode is reached, as indicated by PWR_IND=high. To control the EMERG_OFF line it is required to use an open drain / collector driver. EMERG_OFF is pulled high internally.

Now, to permanently turn off the module, the IGT line has to be set to high (inactive) before the EMERG_OFF line is released. The module will then switch off and needs to be restarted at a later time. This switch off behavior is shown in Figure 31.

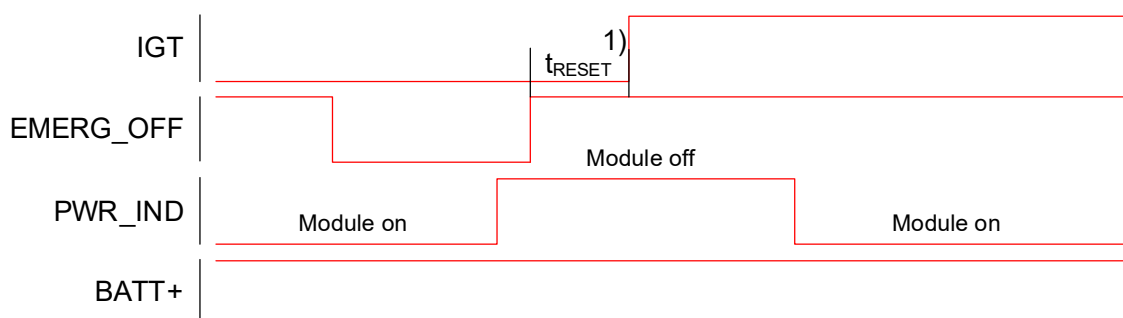
Figure 31: Shutdown by EMERG_OFF signal



- 1) The time to Power Down mode (t_{PD}) depends on the operating state and can be up to 2000ms. PWR_IND should be monitored by the external application. Note that a low impulse at EMERG_OFF for more than 2000ms will reset the module's RTC.
- 2) The power supply voltage (BATT+) may be disconnected only after having reached Power Down mode as indicated by the PWR_IND signal going high. The power supply has to be available (again) before the module is restarted.

To simply restart the module, the IGT line has to continue to be driven low (active) for at least 100ms after having released the EMERG_OFF line. The module will then switch off and restart automatically. This restart behavior is shown in Figure 32.

Figure 32: Restart by EMERG_OFF signal

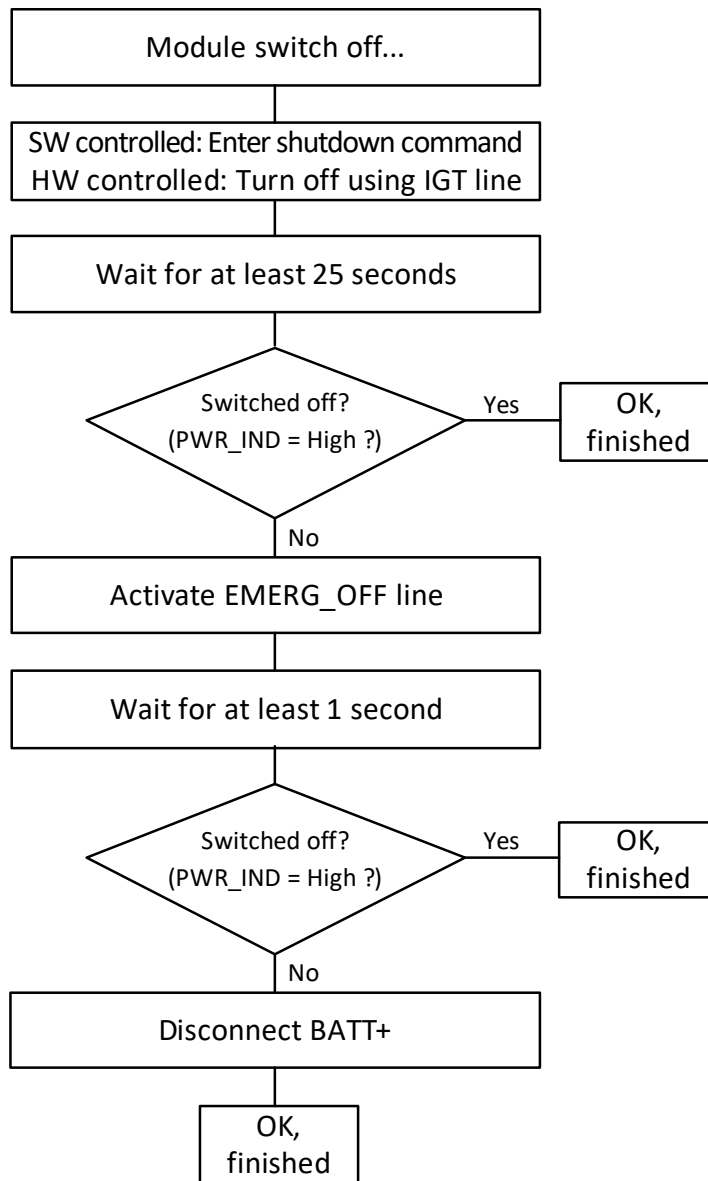


- 1) The time to module reset (t_{RESET}) must be $\geq 100ms$

4.2.3.5. Overall Shutdown Sequence

In case the above described dedicated software or hardware controlled shutdown procedures fail or hang for some reason, it may become necessary to disconnect BATT+ in order to ultimately shut down the module. Figure 33 shows a flow chart that illustrates how an overall shutdown sequence might be implemented.

Figure 33: Overall shutdown sequence



4.2.4. Automatic Shutdown

Automatic shutdown takes effect if:

- › The ALAS66A board is exceeding the critical limits of overtemperature or undertemperature
- › Undervoltage or overvoltage is detected

The automatic shutdown procedure is equivalent to the power down initiated with the shutdown command, i.e. ALAS66A logs off from the network and the software enters a secure state avoiding loss of data.

Alert messages transmitted before the device switches off are implemented as Unsolicited Result Codes (URCs). The presentation of the temperature URCs can be enabled or disabled. The URC presentation mode varies with the condition, please see [Section 4.2.4.1.](#) to [Section 4.2.4.4.](#) for details.

4.2.4.1. Thermal Shutdown

The board temperature is constantly monitored by an internal NTC resistor located on the PCB. The values detected by the NTC resistor are measured directly on the board and therefore, are not fully identical with the ambient temperature.

Each time the board temperature goes out of range or back to normal, ALAS66A instantly displays an alert (if enabled).

- › URCs indicating the level "1" or "-1" allow the user to take appropriate precautions, such as protecting the module from exposure to extreme conditions. The presentation of the URCs depends on configuration settings. The Presentation of URCs is enabled during the 2 minutes guard period after start-up of ALAS66A. After expiry of the 2 minutes guard period, the presentation will be disabled, i.e. no URCs with alert levels "1" or "-1" will be generated.
- › URCs indicating the level "2" or "-2" are instantly followed by an orderly shutdown, except in cases described in [Section 4.2.4.2.](#). The presentation of these URCs is always enabled, i.e. they will be output even though the factory setting was never changed.

The (maximum) temperature ratings are stated in [Section 4.5.](#). Temperature limits and associated URCs are listed in the below [Table 22.](#)

Table 22: Board temperature warning and switch off level

Parameter	Temperature	URC	Notes
High temperature switch off active	≥ +97°C	^SCTM_B: 2	Possible deviation is typically ±2°C.
High temperature switch off release	≤ +96°C	^SCTM_B: 1	
High temperature warning active	≥ +86°C	^SCTM_B: 1	
High temperature warning release	≤ +85°C	^SCTM_B: 0	
Operating temperature range	-30°C...+85°C	---	
Low temperature warning release	≥ -30°C	^SCTM_B: 0	Possible deviation is typically ±2°C.
Low temperature warning active	≤ -31°C	^SCTM_B: -1	
Low temperature switch off release	≥ -40°C	^SCTM_B: -1	
Low temperature switch off active	≤ -42°C	^SCTM_B: -2	

4.2.4.2. Deferred Shutdown at Extreme Temperature Conditions

In the following cases, automatic shutdown will be deferred if a critical temperature limit is exceeded:

- › While an emergency call is in progress.
- › During a two minute guard period after power-up. This guard period has been introduced in order to allow for the user to make an emergency call. The start of any one of these calls extends the guard period until the end of the call. Any other network activity may be terminated by shutdown upon expiry of the guard time.

While in a "deferred shutdown" situation, ALAS66A continues to measure the temperature and to deliver alert messages, but deactivates the shutdown functionality. Once the 2 minute guard period is expired or the call is terminated, full temperature control will be resumed. If the temperature is still out of range, ALAS66A switches off immediately (without another alert message).

Caution: Automatic shutdown is a safety feature intended to prevent damage to the module. Extended usage of the deferred shutdown facilities provided may result in damage to the module, and possibly other severe consequences.

4.2.4.3. Undervoltage Shutdown

If the measured battery voltage is no more sufficient to set up a call the following URC will be presented:

^SBC: Undervoltage

The URC indicates that the module is close to the undervoltage threshold. If undervoltage persists the module keeps sending the URC several times before switching off automatically.

This type of URC does not need to be activated by the user. It will be output automatically when fault conditions occur.

4.2.4.4. Overvoltage Shutdown

The overvoltage shutdown threshold is 100mV above the maximum supply voltage $V_{\text{BATT+}}$ specified in [Table 4](#).

When the supply voltage approaches the overvoltage shutdown threshold the module will send the following URC:

^SBC: Overvoltage warning

This alert is sent once.

When the overvoltage shutdown threshold is exceeded the module will send the following URC

^SBC: Overvoltage shutdown

before it shuts down cleanly.

This type of URC does not need to be activated by the user. It will be output automatically when fault conditions occur.

Keep in mind that several ALAS66A components are directly linked to BATT+ and, therefore, the supply voltage remains applied at major parts of ALAS66A, even if the module is switched off. Especially the power amplifier is very sensitive to high voltage and might even be destroyed.

4.3. Power Saving

ALAS66A is able to reduce its functionality to a minimum (during the so-called SLEEP mode) in order to minimize its current consumption. The following sections explain the module's network dependent power saving behavior.

The implementation of the USB host interface also influences the module's power saving behavior and therefore its current consumption. For more information see [Section 2.1.3.](#) Another feature influencing the current consumption is the configuration of the GNSS antenna interface. For details see [Section 3.1.](#)

4.3.1. Power Saving while Attached to GSM Networks

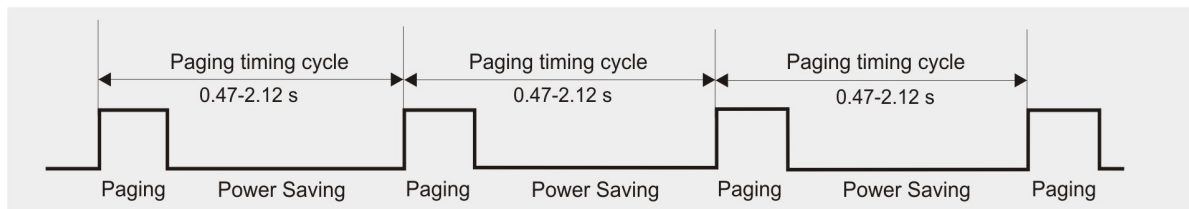
The power saving possibilities while attached to a GSM network depend on the paging timing cycle of the base station. The duration of a paging timing cycle can be calculated using the following formula:

$$t = 4.615 \text{ ms (TDMA frame duration)} * 51 \text{ (number of frames)} * \text{DRX value.}$$

DRX (Discontinuous Reception) is a value from 2 to 9, resulting in paging timing cycles between 0.47 and 2.12 seconds. The DRX value of the base station is assigned by the GSM network operator.

Now, a paging timing cycle consists of the actual fixed length paging plus a variable length pause before the next paging. In the pauses between listening to paging messages, the module resumes power saving, as shown in [Figure 34.](#)

Figure 34: Power saving and paging in GSM networks



The varying pauses explain the different potential for power saving. The longer the pause the less power is consumed.

Generally, power saving depends on the module's application scenario and may differ from the above mentioned normal operation. The power saving interval may be shorter than 0.47 seconds or longer than 2.12 seconds.

4.3.2. Power Saving while Attached to WCDMA Networks

The power saving possibilities while attached to a WCDMA network depend on the paging timing cycle of the base station.

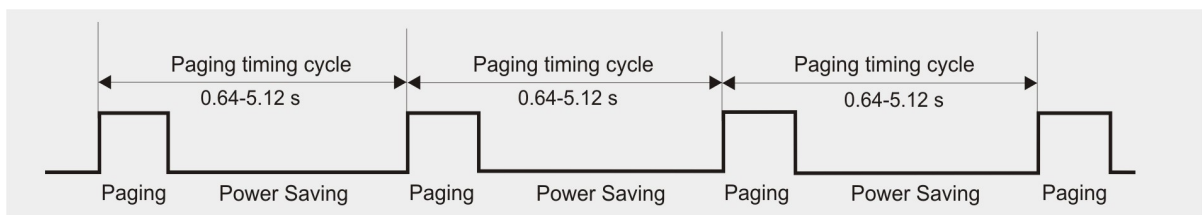
During normal WCDMA operation, i.e., the module is connected to a WCDMA network, the duration of a paging timing cycle varies. It may be calculated using the following formula:

$$t = 2^{\text{DRX value}} * 10 \text{ ms (WCDMA frame duration)}.$$

DRX (Discontinuous Reception) in WCDMA networks is a value between 6 and 9, thus resulting in paging timing cycles between 0.64 and 5.12 seconds. The DRX value of the base station is assigned by the WCDMA network operator.

Now, a paging timing cycle consists of the actual fixed length paging plus a variable length pause before the next paging. In the pauses between listening to paging messages, the module resumes power saving, as shown in [Figure 35](#).

Figure 35: Power saving and paging in WCDMA networks



The varying pauses explain the different potential for power saving. The longer the pause the less power is consumed.

Generally, power saving depends on the module's application scenario and may differ from the above mentioned normal operation. The power saving interval may be shorter than 0.64 seconds or longer than 5.12 seconds.

4.3.3. Power Saving while Attached to LTE Networks

The power saving possibilities while attached to an LTE network depend on the paging timing cycle of the base station.

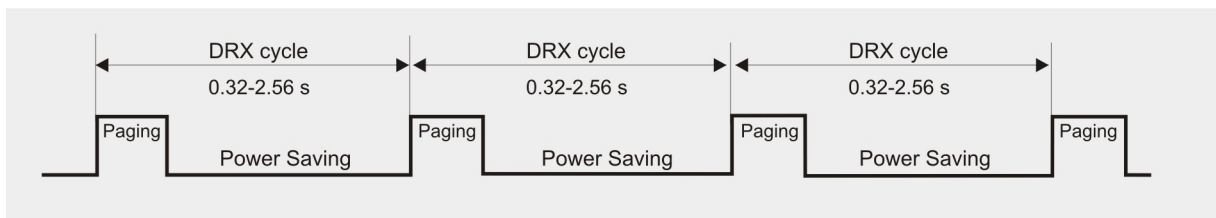
During normal LTE operation, i.e., the module is connected to an LTE network, the duration of a paging timing cycle varies. It may be calculated using the following formula:

$$t = \text{DRX Cycle Value} * 10 \text{ ms}$$

DRX cycle value in LTE networks is any of the four values: 32, 64, 128 and 256, thus resulting in paging timing cycles between 0.32 and 2.56 seconds. The DRX cycle value of the base station is assigned by the LTE network operator.

Now, a paging timing cycle consists of the actual fixed length paging plus a variable length pause before the next paging. In the pauses between listening to paging messages, the module resumes power saving, as shown in [Figure 36](#).

Figure 36: Power saving and paging in LTE networks



The varying pauses explain the different potential for power saving. The longer the pause the less power is consumed.

Generally, power saving depends on the module's application scenario and may differ from the above mentioned normal operation. The power saving interval may be shorter than 0.32 seconds or longer than 2.56 seconds.

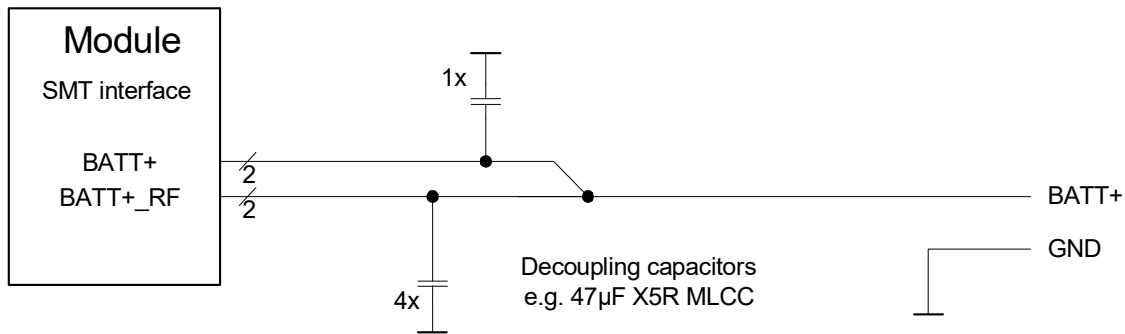
4.4. Power Supply

ALAS66A needs to be connected to a power supply at the SMT application interface - 4 lines BATT+, and GND. There are two separate voltage domains for BATT+:

- › BATT+_RF with 2 lines for the RF power amplifier supply
- › BATT+ with 2 lines for the general power management

The main power supply from an external application has to be a single voltage source and has to be expanded to two sub paths (star structure). Each voltage domain must be decoupled by application with low ESR capacitors ($\geq 47\mu\text{F}$ MLCC @ BATT+; $\geq 4 \times 47\mu\text{F}$ MLCC @ BATT+_RF) as close as possible to LGA pads. [Figure 37](#) shows a sample circuit for decoupling capacitors for BATT+.

Figure 37: Decoupling capacitor(s) for BATT+



The power supply of ALAS66A must be able to provide the peak current during the uplink transmission.

All key functions for supplying power to the device are handled by the power management IC. It provides the following features:

- › Stabilizes the supply voltages for the baseband using switching regulators and low drop linear voltage regulators.
- › Switches the module's power voltages for the power-up and -down procedures.
- › Delivers, across the VEXT line, a regulated voltage for an external application.
- › LDO to provide SIM power supply.

4.4.1. Power Supply Ratings

Table 23 and Table 24 assemble various voltage supply and current consumption ratings for the supported modules. Possible ratings are preliminary and will have to be confirmed.

Table 23: Voltage supply ratings

	Description	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
BATT+	Supply voltage	Directly measured at Module. Voltage must stay within the min/max values, including voltage drop, ripple, spikes	3.3	3.8	4.2	V
	Maximum allowed voltage drop during transmit burst	Normal condition, power control level for Pout max			400	mV
	Voltage ripple	Normal condition, power control level for Pout max @ f ≤ 250 kHz @ f > 250 kHz			120 90	mV _{pp} mV _{pp}

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions			Typical rating	Unit	
I _{BATT+} ¹	OFF State supply current	Power Down	RTC off	USB disconnected	30	μA	
				USB connected	60		
		RTC on	USB disconnected	90			
			USB connected	120			
	Average GSM supply current	SLEEP ² @ DRX=9 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected		1.7	mA	
			USB disconnected		1.9	mA	
		SLEEP ² @ DRX=5 (no communication with the module)		USB disconnected		2.5	mA
		SLEEP ² @ DRX=2 (no communication with the module)		USB disconnected		60	mA
		IDLE ³ @ DRX=2 (UART/USB active, but no communication with the module)		USB active		70	
		Voice call GSM850/900; PCL=5		@ 50Ω		330	mA
		GPRS Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 1Tx/ 4Rx		ROPR=8 (max. reduction)		320	mA
				ROPR=4 (no reduction)			
		GPRS Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 2Tx/ 3Rx		ROPR=8 (max. reduction)		430	mA
				ROPR=4 (no reduction)		540	
	GPRS Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 4Tx/ 1Rx		ROPR=8 (max. reduction)		650	mA	
ROPR=4 (no reduction)			980				
@ total mismatch			1200				

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions	Typical rating	Unit	
I_{BATT+}^1	Average GSM supply current	EDGE Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 1Tx/ 4Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	220	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		EDGE Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 2Tx/ 3Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	340	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		EDGE Data transfer GSM850/900; PCL=5; 4Tx/ 1Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	600	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		Voice call GSM1800/1900; PCL=0	@ 50Ω	240	mA
		GPRS Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 1Tx/4Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	230	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		GPRS Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 2Tx/3Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	340	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		GPRS Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 4Tx/1Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	500	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		EDGE Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 1Tx/4Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	190	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		EDGE Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 2Tx/3Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	300	mA
			ROPR=4 (no reduction)		
		EDGE Data transfer GSM1800/1900; PCL=0; 4Tx/1Rx	ROPR=8 (max. reduction)	470	mA
ROPR=4 (no reduction)					
Peak current during GSM transmit burst	Voice call GSM850/900; PCL=5	@ 50Ω	2.2	A	
		@ total mismatch	2.9		
	Voice call GSM1800/1900; PCL=0	@ 50Ω	1.5	A	
		@ total mismatch	1.7		
I_{BATT+}^1	Average GSM supply current (GNSS on)	GSM active (UART/USB active); @ DRX=2 & GNSS NMEA output off	80	mA	
		GSM active (UART/USB active); @ DRX=2 & GNSS NMEA output on ⁴	80	mA	

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions	Typical rating	Unit	
I_{BATT+}^1	Average UMTS supply current	SLEEP ² @ DRX=9 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	1.6	mA
		SLEEP ² @ DRX=8 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	1.8	mA
	Voice calls and Data transfers measured @ maximum Pout	SLEEP ² @ DRX=6 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	2.3	mA
		IDLE ³ @ DRX=6 (UART/USB active, but no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	60	mA
			USB active	70	
		UMTS Data transfer Band I	@ 50Ω	600	mA
			@ total mismatch	810	
		UMTS Data transfer Band II	@ 50Ω	600	mA
			@ total mismatch	890	
		UMTS Data transfer Band III	@ 50Ω	640	mA
			@ total mismatch	820	
		UMTS Data transfer Band IV	@ 50Ω	640	mA
			@ total mismatch	790	
		UMTS Data transfer Band V/VI/XIX	@ 50Ω	590	mA
			@ total mismatch	690	
UMTS Data transfer Band VIII	@ 50Ω	530	mA		
	@ total mismatch	620			
I_{BATT+}^1	Average UMTS supply current (GNSS on)	WCDMA active (UART / USB active); @ DRX=6 & GNSS NMEA output off	80	mA	
		WCDMA active (UART / USB active); @ DRX=6 & GNSS NMEA output on ⁴	80	mA	

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions	Typical rating	Unit	
I _{BATT+} ¹	Average LTE supply current (FDD) ⁵	SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 256	USB disconnected	1.9	mA
		SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 128	USB disconnected	2.3	mA
	Data transfers measured @ maximum Pout	SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 64	USB disconnected	2.9	mA
		SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 32	USB disconnected	4.0	mA
		IDLE ³ (UART/USB active, but no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	55	mA
			USB active	65	
		LTE Data transfer Band 1	@ 50Ω	630	mA
			@ total mismatch	790	
		LTE Data transfer Band 2	@ 50Ω	630	mA
			@ total mismatch	880	
		LTE Data transfer Band 3	@ 50Ω	620	mA
			@ total mismatch	690	
		LTE Data transfer Band 4	@ 50Ω	660	mA
			@ total mismatch	750	
		LTE Data transfer Band 5, 18, 19	@ 50Ω	560	mA
			@ total mismatch	590	
		LTE Data transfer Band 7	@ 50Ω	770	mA
			@ total mismatch	800	
		LTE Data transfer Band 8	@ 50Ω	550	mA
			@ total mismatch	600	
		LTE Data transfer Band 12	@ 50Ω	520	mA
	@ total mismatch		590		
	LTE Data transfer Band 13	@ 50Ω	540	mA	
		@ total mismatch	600		
	LTE Data transfer Band 20	@ 50Ω	540	mA	
		@ total mismatch	620		
	LTE Data transfer Band 26	@ 50Ω	510	mA	
@ total mismatch		570			
LTE Data transfer Band 28	@ 50Ω	620	mA		
	@ total mismatch	690			
LTE Data transfer Band 66	@ 50Ω	600	mA		
	@ total mismatch	680			
I _{BATT+} ¹	Average LTE supply current (FDD) (GNSS on)	LTE active (UART/USB active); IDLE; NMEA output off	110	mA	
		LTE active (UART/USB active); IDLE; NMEA output on ⁴	110	mA	

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions	Typical rating	Unit	
I _{BATT+} ¹	Average LTE supply current (TDD) ⁵	SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 256	USB disconnected	1.9	mA
		SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 128	USB disconnected	2.3	mA
	Data transfers measured @ maximum Pout	SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 64	USB disconnected	2.9	mA
		SLEEP ² @ "Paging Occasions" = 32	USB disconnected	4.0	mA
		IDLE ³ (UART/USB active, but no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	55	mA
			USB active	65	
		LTE Data transfer Band 34	1 UL / 8 DL	170	mA
			6 UL / 2 DL	370	
		LTE Data transfer Band 38	1 UL / 8 DL	230	mA
			6 UL / 2 DL	490	
		LTE Data transfer Band 39	1 UL / 8 DL	200	mA
			6 UL / 2 DL	410	
	LTE Data transfer Band 40	1 UL / 8 DL	210	mA	
		6 UL / 2 DL	430		
	LTE Data transfer Band 41	1 UL / 8 DL	240	mA	
		6 UL / 2 DL	530		
	Peak LTE current (TDD)	LTE Band 34 / 39	@ 50Ω	480	mA
@ total mismatch			580		
LTE Band 38 / 40 / 41		@ 50Ω	640	mA	
		@ total mismatch	850		

Table 24: Current consumption ratings

	Description	Conditions	Typical rating	Unit	
I_{BATT+} ¹	Average TD-SCDMA supply current (GNSS off)	SLEEP ² @ DRX=9 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	1.6	mA
		SLEEP ² @ DRX=8 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	1.8	mA
	Data transfers measured @ maximum Pout	SLEEP ² @ DRX=6 (no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	2.3	mA
		IDLE ³ (UART/USB active, but no communication with the module)	USB disconnected	60	mA
			USB active	70	
		TD-SCDMA Data transfer Band 34 (Band A)		210	mA
		TD-SCDMA Data transfer Band 39 (Band F)		210	mA
I_{BATT+} ¹	Average TD-SCDMA supply current (GNSS on)	TD-SCDMA active (UART / USB active) IDLE @ DRX=6, NMEA output off		80	mA
		TD-SCDMA active (UART / USB active) IDLE @ DRX=6, NMEA output on ⁴		80	
I_{VUSB_IN}	USB typical and maximum ratings are mentioned in Table 4: VUSB_IN .				

¹ With an impedance of $Z_{LOAD}=50\Omega$ at the antenna pads. Measured at 25°C and 4.2V - except for Power Down ratings that were measured at 3.4V.

² Measurements start 6 minutes after switching ON the module, Averaging times: SLEEP mode - 3 minutes, transfer modes - 1.5 minutes
Communication tester settings: no neighbor cells, no cell reselection etc, RMC (Reference Measurement Channel)

³ The power save mode is disabled via configuration command

⁴ One fix per second.

⁵ Communication tester settings:
- Channel Bandwidth: 5MHz
- Number of Resource Blocks: 25 (DL), 1 (UL)
- Modulation: QPSK

4.4.2. Minimizing Power Losses

When designing the power supply for your application please pay specific attention to power losses. Ensure that the input voltage V_{BATT+} never drops below 3.3V on the ALAS66A board, not even in a transmit burst where current consumption can rise to typical peaks of 2A. It should be noted that ALAS66A switches off when exceeding these limits. Any voltage drops that may occur in a transmit burst should not exceed 400mV to ensure the expected RF performance in 2G networks.

The module switches off if the minimum battery voltage ($V_{BATT\min}$) is reached.

Example:

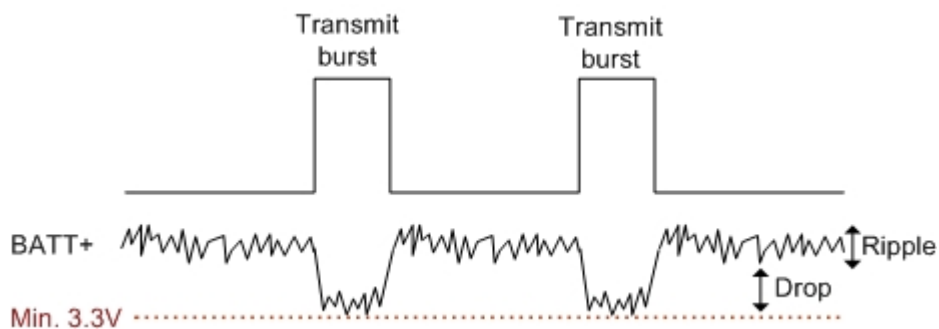
$V_{I\min} = 3.3V$

$D_{\max} = 0.4V$

$V_{BATT\min} = V_{I\min} + D_{\max}$

$V_{BATT\min} = 3.3V + 0.4V = 3.7V$

Figure 38: Power supply limits during transmit burst



4.4.3. Monitoring Power Supply by Configuration Setting

To monitor the supply voltage you can use a configuration setting which returns the averaged value related to BATT+ and GND at the SMT application interface.

As long as not in SLEEP mode, the module measures the voltage periodically every 110 milliseconds. The maximum time the module remains in SLEEP mode can be limited with a configuration setting. The displayed voltage (in mV) is an average of the last eight measurement results before the power supply query.

4.5. Operating Temperatures

Table 25: Board temperature

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating temperature range	-30	+25	+85	°C
Restricted temperature range ¹	-40		+95	°C
Automatic shutdown ² Temperature measured on ALAS66A board	<-40	---	>+95	°C

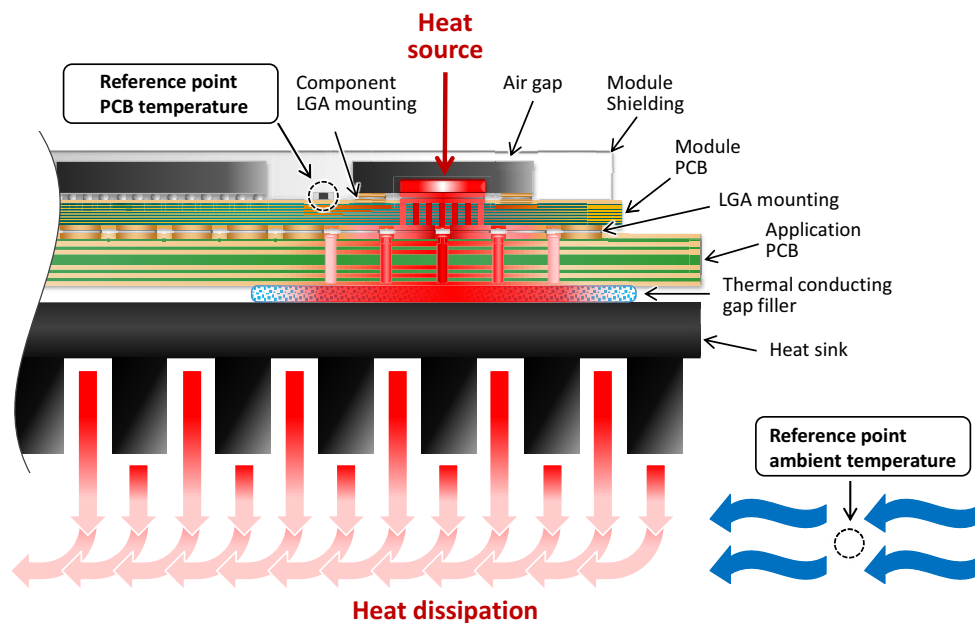
¹ Restricted operation allows normal mode data transmissions for limited time until automatic thermal shutdown takes effect. Within the restricted temperature range (outside the operating temperature range) the specified electrical characteristics may be in- or decreased.

² Due to temperature measurement uncertainty, a tolerance on the stated shutdown thresholds may occur. The possible deviation is in the range of $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ at the overtemperature limit.

See also [Section 4.2.4.1.](#) for information about the NTC for on-board temperature measurement, automatic thermal shutdown and alert messages.

Note that within the specified operating temperature ranges the board temperature may vary to a great extent depending on operating mode, used frequency band, radio output power and current supply voltage. Note also the differences and dependencies that usually exist between board (PCB) temperature and ambient temperature as shown in the following [Figure 39.](#) The possible ambient temperature range depends on the mechanical application design including the module and the PCB with its size and layout. A thermal solution will have to take these differences into account and should therefore be an integral part of application design.

Figure 39: Board and ambient temperature differences



4.6. Electrostatic Discharge

The module is not protected against Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) in general. Consequently, it is subject to ESD handling precautions that typically apply to ESD sensitive components. Proper ESD handling and packaging procedures must be applied throughout the processing, handling and operation of any application that incorporates a ALAS66A module.

Special ESD protection provided on ALAS66A:

BATT+: Inductor/capacitor

An example for an enhanced ESD protection for the SIM interface is shown in [Section 2.1.8.1.](#)

The remaining interfaces of ALAS66A with the exception of the antenna interface are not accessible to the user of the final product (since they are installed within the device) and are therefore only protected according to the ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001-2014 requirements.

ALAS66A has been tested according to the following standards. Electrostatic values can be gathered from the following table.

Table 26: Electrostatic values

Specification / Requirements	Contact discharge	Air discharge
<i>ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001-2014</i>		
All SMT interfaces	± 1kV Human Body Model	n.a.
<i>ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-002-2014</i>		
All SMT interfaces	± 250V Charged Device Model (CDM)	n.a.
<i>ETSI EN 301 489-1/7</i>		
Antenna pads	n.a.	± 8kV

Note: The values may vary with the individual application design. For example, it matters whether or not the application platform is grounded over external devices like a computer or other equipment.

4.7. Reliability Characteristics

The qualifying test conditions are according to the Audi requirements: "LTE_Module_MIB- 2plus_2014_05_14", and "VW 80000" as agreed with Audi/IEE.

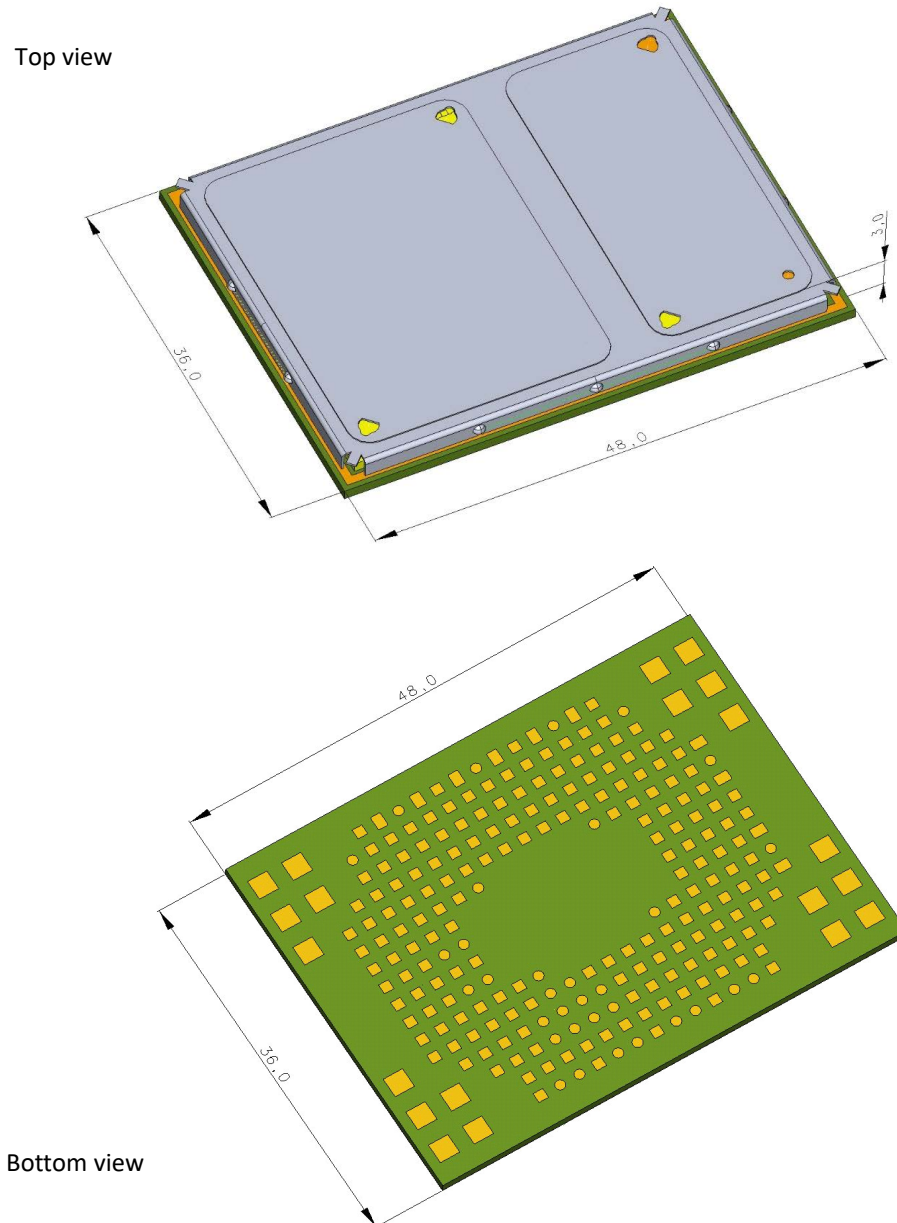
5/ Mechanical Dimensions and Mounting

5.1. Mechanical Dimensions of ALAS66A

Figure 40 shows a 3D view¹ of ALAS66A and provides an overview of the board's mechanical dimensions². For further details see Figure 41.

Length: 48mm
 Width: 36mm
 Height: 3mm

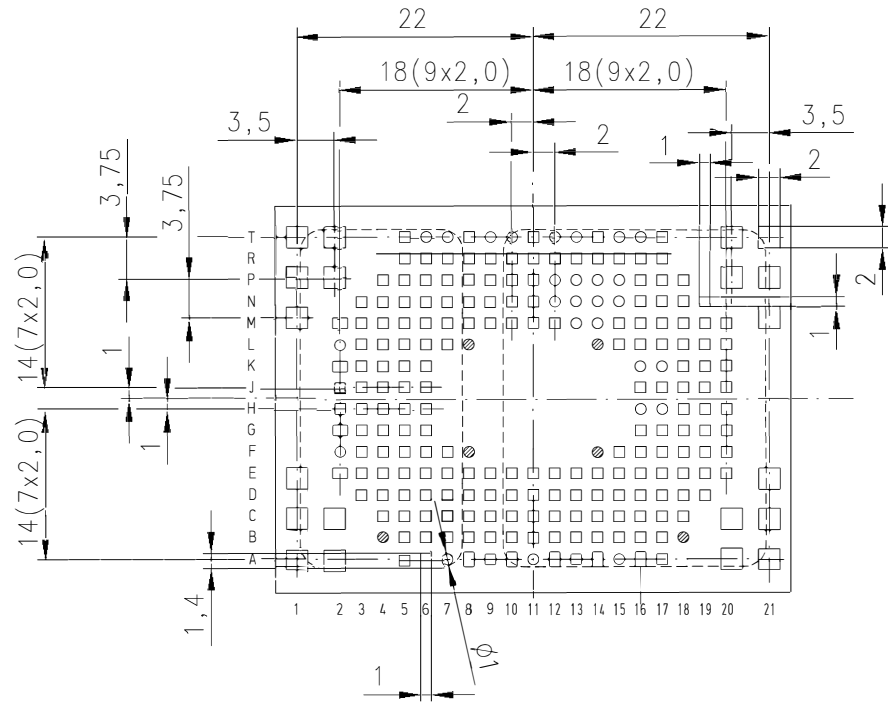
Figure 40: ALAS66A – top and bottom view



¹ The coloring of the 3D view does not reflect the module's real color.

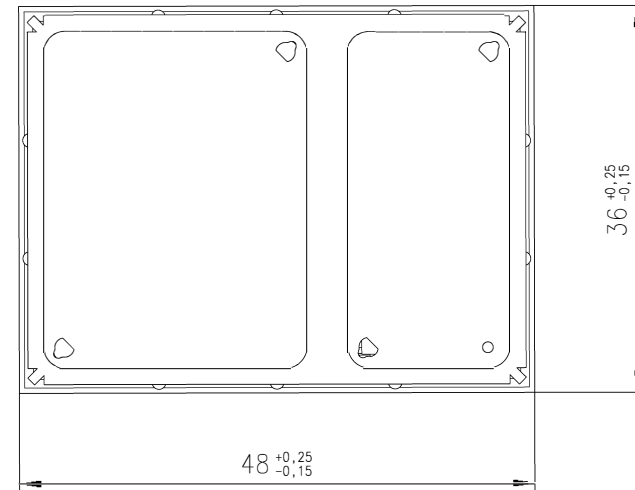
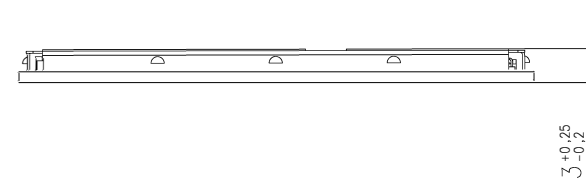
² **Note:** The holes in the shielding (top view) are significantly smaller than the radiated wavelength from the module. Kontron guarantees that there will be no emissions outside the limits from these. The RF circuitry of the module is fully shielded.

Figure 41: Dimensions of ALAS66A (all dimensions in mm)



bottom view

⊘ no solder pads /keep area free



top view

5.2. Mounting ALAS66A onto the Application Platform

This section describes how to mount ALAS66A onto the PCBs, including land pattern and stencil design, board-level characterization, soldering conditions, durability and mechanical handling. For more information on issues related to SMT module integration see also [2].

Note: Kontron strongly recommends to solder all connecting pads for mechanical stability and heat dissipation. Not only must all supply pads and signals be connected appropriately, but all pads denoted as “Do not use” should also be soldered (but not electrically connected). Note also that in order to avoid short circuits between signal tracks on an external application's PCB and various markings at the bottom side of the module, it is recommended not to route the signal tracks on the top layer of an external PCB directly under the module, or at least to ensure that signal track routes are sufficiently covered with solder resist.

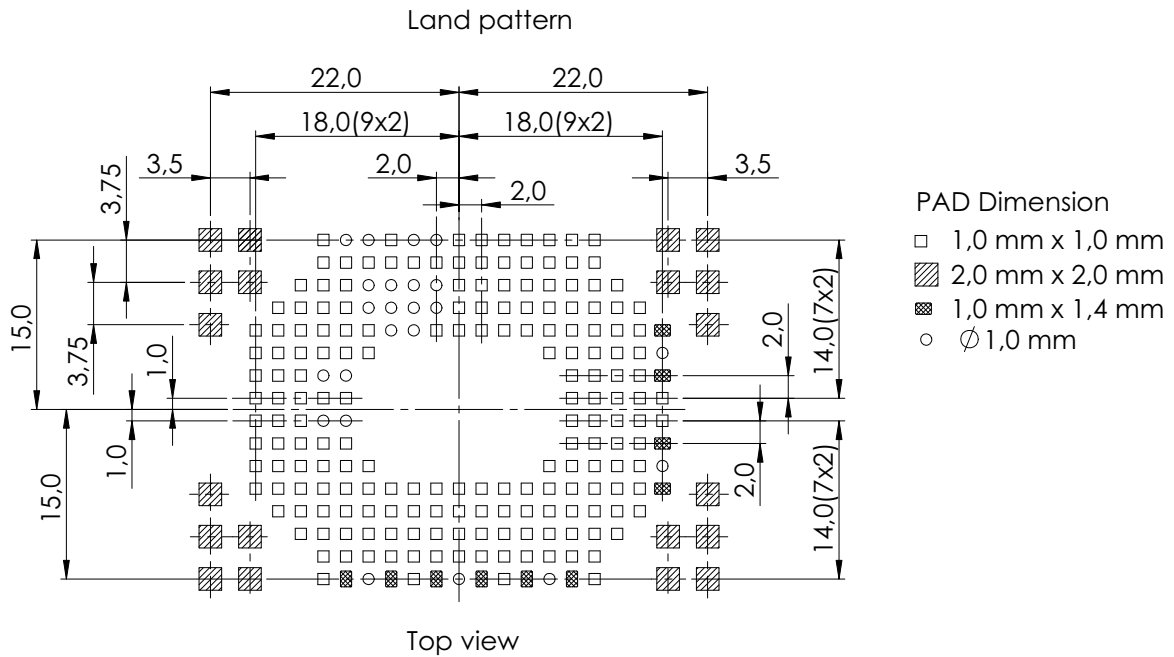
5.2.1. SMT PCB Assembly

5.2.1.1. Land Pattern and Stencil

The land pattern and stencil design as shown below is based on Kontron characterizations for lead-free solder paste on a four-layer test PCB and a 110 micron-thick stencil.

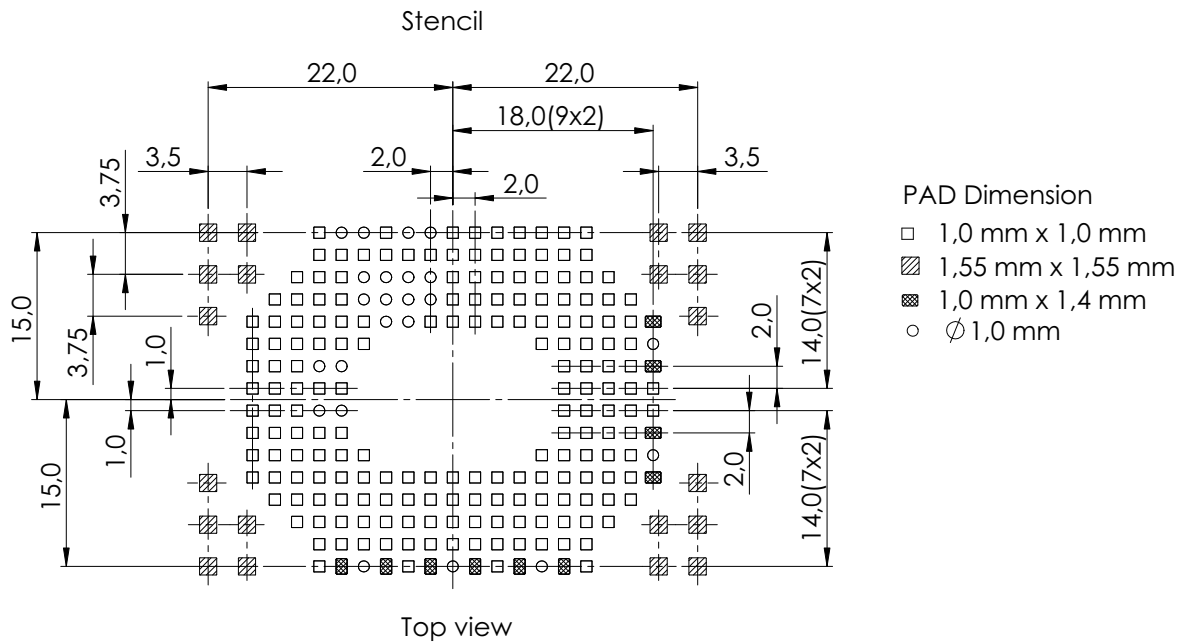
The land pattern given in Figure 42 reflects the module's pad layout, including signal pads and ground pads (for pad assignment see Section 2.1.1.). Besides these pads there are ground areas on the module's bottom side that must not be soldered, e.g., the position marker. To prevent short circuits, it has to be ensured that there are no wires on the external application side that may connect to these module ground areas.

Figure 42: Land pattern (top layer)



The stencil design illustrated in [Figure 43](#) is recommended by Kontron as a result of extensive tests with Kontron Daisy Chain modules.

Figure 43: Recommended design for 110 micron thick stencil (top layer)



5.2.1.2. Board Level Characterization

Board level characterization issues should also be taken into account if devising an SMT process.

It is recommended to characterize land patterns before an actual PCB production, taking individual processes, materials, equipment, stencil design, and reflow profile into account. For land and stencil pattern design recommendations see also [Section 5.2.1.1.](#) Optimizing the solder stencil pattern design and print process is necessary to ensure print uniformity, to decrease solder voids, and to increase board level reliability.

Daisy chain modules for SMT characterization are available on request. For details refer to [\[2\]](#).

Generally, solder paste manufacturer recommendations for screen printing process parameters and reflow profile conditions should be followed. Maximum ratings are described in [Section 5.2.3.](#)

5.2.2. Moisture Sensitivity Level

ALAS66A comprises components that are susceptible to damage induced by absorbed moisture.

Kontron's ALAS66A module complies with the latest revision of the IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020 Standard for moisture sensitive surface mount devices and is classified as MSL 4.

For additional moisture sensitivity level (MSL) related information see [Section 5.2.4.](#)

5.2.3. Soldering Conditions and Temperature

5.2.3.1. Reflow Profile

Figure 44: Reflow Profile

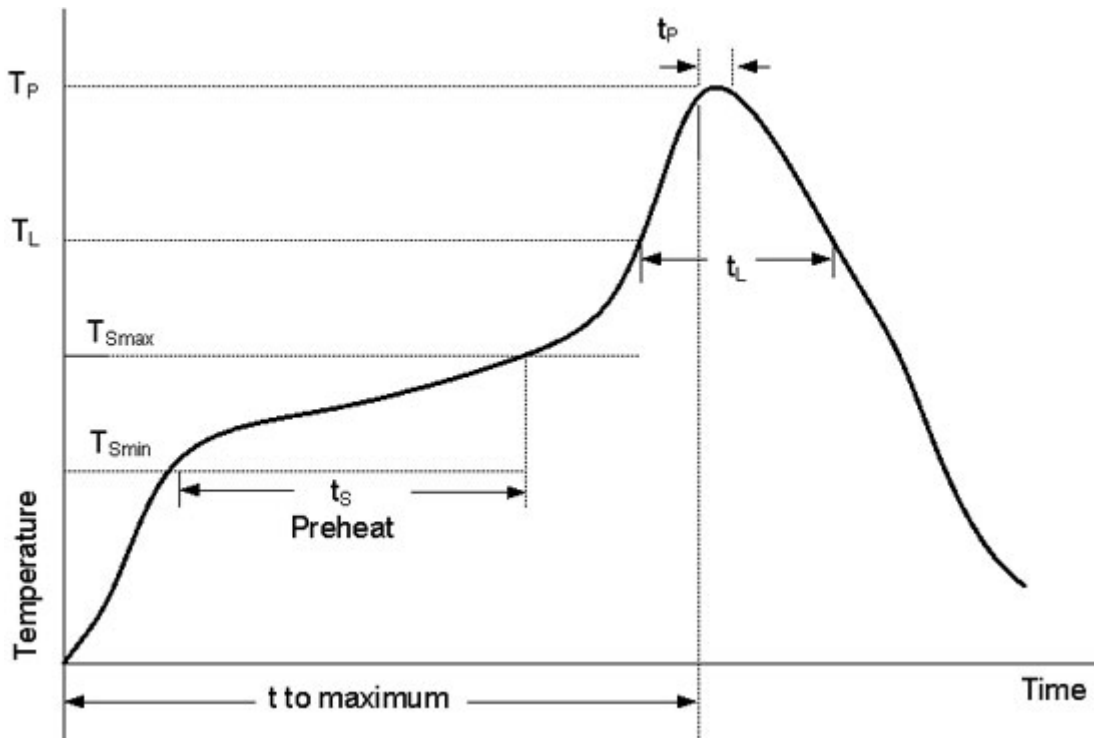
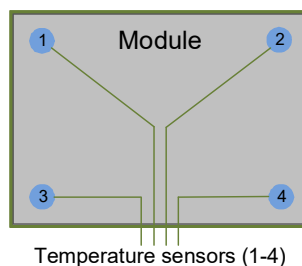


Table 27: Reflow temperature recommendations¹

Profile Feature	Pb-Free Assembly
Preheat & Soak Temperature Minimum (T_{Smin}) Temperature Maximum (T_{Smax}) Time (t_{Smin} to t_{Smax}) (t_s)	150°C 200°C 60-120 seconds
Average ramp up rate (T_L to T_p)	3K/second max. ²
Liquidous temperature (T_L) Time at liquidous (t_L)	217°C 60-90 seconds
Peak package body temperature (T_p)	245°C +0/-5°C
Time (t_p) within 5 °C of the peak package body temperature (T_p)	30 seconds max.
Average ramp-down rate - Limited ramp-down rate between 225°C and 200°C	6K/second max. ² 3K/second max. ²
Time 25°C to maximum temperature	8 minutes max.

¹ Please note that the listed reflow profile features and ratings are based on the joint industry standard IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020D.1, and are as such meant as a general guideline. For more information on reflow profiles and their optimization please refer to [2].

² Temperatures measured on shielding at each corner. See also [2].



Temperature sensors (1-4)

5.2.3.2. Maximum Temperature and Duration

The following limits are recommended for the SMT board-level soldering process to attach the module:

- › A maximum module temperature of 245°C. This specifies the temperature as measured at the module's top side.
- › A maximum duration of 30 seconds at this temperature.
- › Ramp-down rate from T_p to 200°C should be controlled in order to reduce thermally induced stress during the solder solidification phase (see [Table 27](#) - limited ramp-down rate). Therefore, a cool-down step in the oven's temperature program between 200°C and 180°C should be considered. For more information on reflow profiles and their optimization see [\[2\]](#).

Please note that while the solder paste manufacturers' recommendations for best temperature and duration for solder reflow should generally be followed, the limits listed above must not be exceeded.

ALAS66A is specified for one soldering cycle only. Once ALAS66A is removed from the application, the module will very likely be destroyed and cannot be soldered onto another application.

5.2.4. Durability and Mechanical Handling

5.2.4.1. Storage Conditions

ALAS66A modules, as delivered in tape and reel carriers, must be stored in sealed, moisture barrier anti-static bags. The conditions stated below are only valid for modules in their original packed state in weather protected, non-temperature-controlled storage locations. Normal storage time under these conditions is 12 months maximum.

Table 28: Storage conditions

Type	Condition	Unit	Reference
Air temperature: Low High	-25 +40	°C	IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033A
Humidity relative: Low High	10 90 at 40°C	%	IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033A
Air pressure: Low High	70 106	kPa	IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1K4 IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1K4
Movement of surrounding air	1.0	m/s	IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1K4
Water: rain, dripping, icing and frosting	Not allowed	---	---
Radiation: Solar Heat	1120 600	W/m ²	ETS 300 019-2-1: T1.2, IEC 60068-2-2 Bb ETS 300 019-2-1: T1.2, IEC 60068-2-2 Bb
Chemically active substances	Not recommended		IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1C1L
Mechanically active substances	Not recommended		IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1S1
Vibration sinusoidal: Displacement Acceleration Frequency range	1.5 5 2-9 9-200	mm m/s ² Hz	IEC TR 60271-3-1: 1M2
Shocks: Shock spectrum Duration Acceleration	Semi-sinusoidal 1 50	ms m/s ²	IEC 60068-2-27 Ea

5.2.4.2. Processing Life

ALAS66A must be soldered to an application within 72 hours after opening the moisture barrier bag (MBB) it was stored in.

As specified in the IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033 Standard, the manufacturing site processing the modules should have ambient temperatures below 30°C and a relative humidity below 60%.

5.2.4.3. Baking

Baking conditions are specified on the moisture sensitivity label attached to each MBB:

- › It is *not necessary* to bake ALAS66A, if the conditions specified in [Section 5.2.4.1.](#) and [Section 5.2.4.2.](#) were not exceeded.
- › It is *necessary* to bake ALAS66A, if any condition specified in [Section 5.2.4.1.](#) and [Section 5.2.4.2.](#) was exceeded.

If baking is necessary, the modules must be put into trays that can be baked to at least 125°C. Devices should not be baked in tape and reel carriers at any temperature.

5.2.4.4. Electrostatic Discharge

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) may lead to irreversible damage for the module. It is therefore advisable to develop measures and methods to counter ESD and to use these to control the electrostatic environment at manufacturing sites.

Please refer to [Section 4.6.](#) for further information on electrostatic discharge.

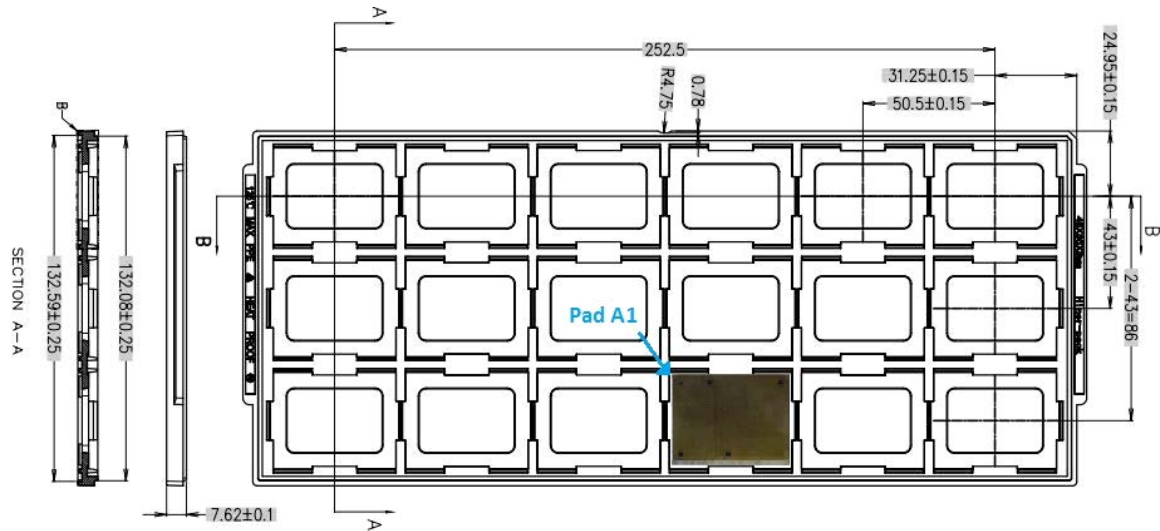
5.3. Packaging

5.3.1. Trays

ALAS66A is shipped in 6x3 trays as illustrated in [Figure 45](#).

The figure also shows the proper module orientation in the trays: The small round hole marking pad A1 is furthest away from the beveled corner of the tray.

Figure 45: Shipping tray dimensions



5.3.2. Shipping Materials


The shipping trays are normally stacked as units of 10 trays plus one extra as a cover, and secured with packaging tape. All trays have the beveled corner aligned in the same orientation. A stacking unit (10 x 18 modules = 180 modules) together with a foam protection makes up the content of a moisture barrier bag (MBB).

5.3.2.1. Moisture Barrier Bag

The foam protected stacking units are stored inside of a MBB, together with a humidity indicator card and desiccant pouches. The bag is ESD protected and delimits moisture transmission. It is vacuum-sealed and should be handled carefully to avoid puncturing or tearing. The bag protects the ALAS66A modules from moisture exposure. It should not be opened until the devices are ready to be soldered onto the application.

The label shown in [Figure 46](#) summarizes requirements regarding moisture sensitivity, including shelf life and baking requirements. It is attached to the outside of the moisture barrier bag.

Figure 46: Moisture Sensitivity Label



CAUTION

This bag contains

MOISTURE-SENSITIVE DEVICES

LEVEL

4

1. Calculated shelf life in sealed bag:
12 months at < 40 °C and < 90% relative humidity (RH)
2. Peak package body temperature: 245 °C
3. After bag is opened, devices that will be subject to reflow solder or other high temperature process must be
 - a) mounted within: 72 hours of factory conditions < 30 °C / 60% RH
 - b) stored at < 10% RH
4. Devices require bake, before mounting, if:
 - a) Humidity Indicator Card is > 10% when read at 23 +/- 5 °C
 - b) 3a or 3b not met
5. If baking is required, refer to IPC/Jedec J-STD-033 for bake procedure
 Note: The devices are shipped in a non heat-resistant carrier and may not be baked in the carriers
6. The maximum guaranteed soldering cycle of the module is limited to 1 cycle

Bag Seal Date: DD.MM.YYYY

Note: MSL level and body temperature defined by IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020


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Peak package body temperature: 245°C Qty. : 000

Bag Seal Date (DDMMYYYY) : DDMMYYYY



Package ID: WM8000123412

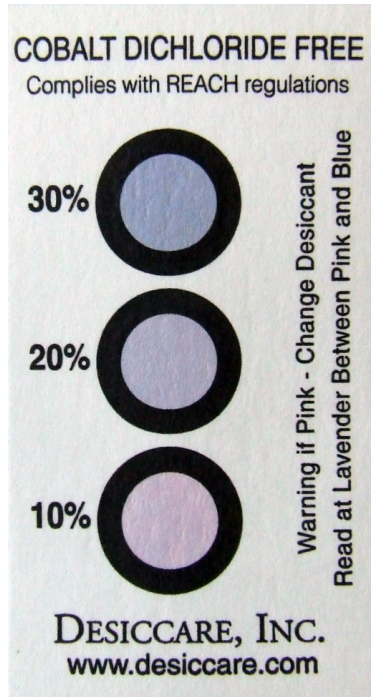


MBBs contains two desiccant pouches to absorb moisture that may be in the bag. The humidity indicator card described below should be used to determine whether the enclosed components have absorbed an excessive amount of moisture.

The desiccant pouches should not be baked or reused once removed from the MBB.

The humidity indicator card is a moisture indicator and is included in the MBB to show the approximate relative humidity level within the bag. A sample humidity card is shown in Figure 47. If the components have been exposed to moisture above the recommended limits, the units will have to be rebaked.

Figure 47: Humidity Indicator Card - HIC



A baking is required if the humidity indicator inside the bag indicates 10% RH or more.

5.3.2.2. Transportation Boxes

Stacked tray units are distributed in over boxes, so-called VP boxes, containing up to two MBBs. Thus, a VP box may contain up to 360 (180x2) modules.

The VP boxes in turn may be placed in master boxes for up to two layers with six VP boxes. Thus, a master box packaging unit may contain up to 4320 (180x2x12) modules.

6/ Regulatory and Type Approval Information

6.1. Directives and Standards

ALAS66A has been designed to comply with the directives and standards listed below.

It is the responsibility of the application manufacturer to ensure compliance of the final product with all provisions of the applicable directives and standards as well as with the technical specifications provided in the "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description".¹

Table 29: Directives




2014/53/EU	<p>Directive of the European Parliament and of the council of 16 April 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment and repealing Directive 1999/05/EC.</p> <p>The product is labeled with the CE conformity mark.</p>	
2002/95/EC (RoHS 1) 2011/65/EC (RoHS 2) 2015/863/EU (RoHS 3)	<p>Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS). Revised on 8 June 2011. Further revision on 31 March 2015 - amending Annex II to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the list of restricted substances.</p>	
1907/2006/EC (REACH)	<p>Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC.</p> <p>Kontron modules comply with the REACH regulation that specifies a content of less than 0.1% per substance mentioned in the SVHC candidate list (Release 16.06.2014).</p>	

Table 30: Standards of North American type approval¹

CFR Title 47	Code of Federal Regulations, Part 22, Part 24, Part 27, and Part 90; US Equipment Authorization FCC	
OET Bulletin 65 (Edition 97-01)	Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields	
UL 62368-1	Audio/video, information and communication technology equipment - Part 1: Safety requirements (for details see Section 6.1.1.)	
NAPRD.03 V5.41.1 ²	Overview of PCS Type certification review board Mobile Equipment Type Certification and IMEI control PCS Type Certification Review board (PTCRB)	
RSS132, RSS133, RSS139	Canadian Standard	

¹ Standards apply to ALAS66A-W and ALAS66A-US only.

² ALAS66A-US complies with NAPRD.03 V5.38.

Table 31: Standards of European type approval

3GPP TS 51.010-1	Digital cellular telecommunications system (Release 7); Mobile Station (MS) conformance specification;
ETSI EN 301 511 V12.5.1	Global System for Mobile communications (GSM); Mobile Stations (MS) equipment; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU
GCF-CC V3.76	Global Certification Forum - Certification Criteria

¹ Manufacturers of applications which can be used in the US shall ensure that their applications have a PTCRB approval. For this purpose they can refer to the PTCRB approval of the respective module.

Table 31: Standards of European type approval

Draft ETSI EN 301 489-01 V2.2.3	Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 1: Common technical requirements; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU and the essential requirements of article 6 of Directive 2014/30/EU
ETSI EN 301 489-19 V2.1.1	Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 19: Specific conditions for Receive Only Mobile Earth Stations (ROMES) operating in the 1,5 GHz band providing data communications and GNSS receivers operating in the RNSS band (ROGNSS) providing positioning, navigation, and timing data; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU
Draft ETSI EN 301 489-52 V1.2.1	Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 52: Specific conditions for Cellular Communication Mobile and portable (UE) radio and ancillary equipment; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU
ETSI EN 301 908-01 V15.2.1	IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 1: Introduction and common requirements
ETSI EN 301 908-02 V11.1.2	IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 2: CDMA Direct Spread (UTRA FDD) User Equipment (UE)
ETSI EN 301 908-13 V13.2.1	IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 13: Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA) User Equipment (UE)
EN 303 413 V1.2.1	Satellite Earth Stations and Systems (SES); Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) receivers; Radio equipment operating in the 1 164 MHz to 1 300 MHz and 1 559 MHz to 1 610 MHz frequency bands; Harmonised Standard for access to radio spectrum
IEC 62368-1 (EN 62368-1, UL 62368-1)	Audio/video, information and communication technology equipment - Part 1: Safety requirements (for details see Section 6.1.1.)

Table 32: Standards of Japanese type approval

ALAS66A will be certified to meet the requirements of the Japanese "Telecommunications Business Law" and "Ordinance Concerning Technical Regulations Conformity Certification of Specified Radio Equipment" as well as the requirements of the Japanese "Radio Law" and "Ordinance Concerning Technical Conditions Compliance Approval and Certification of the Type for Terminal Equipment". For more information see [Section 6.5.](#)

Table 33: Requirements of quality

IEC 60068	Environmental testing
DIN EN 60529	IP codes

Table 34: Standards of the Ministry of Information Industry of the People’s Republic of China


SJ/T 11363-2006	“Requirements for Concentration Limits for Certain Hazardous Substances in Electronic Information Products” (2006-06).
SJ/T 11364-2006	<p data-bbox="504 286 1232 344">“Marking for Control of Pollution Caused by Electronic Information Products” (2006-06).</p> <p data-bbox="504 376 1474 546">According to the “Chinese Administration on the Control of Pollution caused by Electronic Information Products” (ACPEIP) the EPUP, i.e., Environmental Protection Use Period, of this product is 20 years as per the symbol shown here, unless otherwise marked. The EPUP is valid only as long as the product is operated within the operating limits described in the Hardware Interface Description.</p> <p data-bbox="504 577 1449 663">Please see Table 35 for an overview of toxic or hazardous substances or elements that might be contained in product parts in concentrations above the limits defined by SJ/T 11363-2006.</p> 

Table 35: Toxic or hazardous substances or elements with defined concentration limits

部件名称 Name of the part	有毒有害物质或元素 Hazardous substances					
	铅 (Pb)	汞 (Hg)	镉 (Cd)	六价铬 (Cr(VI))	多溴联苯 (PBB)	多溴二苯醚 (PBDE)
金属部件 (Metal Parts)	○	○	○	○	○	○
电路模块 (Circuit Modules)	X	○	○	○	○	○
电缆及电缆组件 (Cables and Cable Assemblies)	○	○	○	○	○	○
塑料和聚合物部件 (Plastic and Polymeric parts)	○	○	○	○	○	○
<p data-bbox="210 1337 1441 1471">O: 表示该有毒有害物质在该部件所有均质材料中的含量均在SJ/T11363-2006 标准规定的限量要求以下。 Indicates that this toxic or hazardous substance contained in all of the homogeneous materials for this part is below the limit requirement in SJ/T11363-2006.</p> <p data-bbox="210 1507 1441 1641">X: 表示该有毒有害物质至少在该部件的某一均质材料中的含量超出SJ/T11363-2006标准规定的限量要求。 Indicates that this toxic or hazardous substance contained in at least one of the homogeneous materials used for this part <i>might exceed</i> the limit requirement in SJ/T11363-2006.</p>						

6.1.1. IEC 62368-1 Classification

With respect to the safety requirements for audio/video, information and communication technology equipment defined by the hazard based product safety standard for ICT and AV equipment - i.e., **IEC-62368-1 (EN 62368-1, UL 62368-1)** - Kontron modules are classified as shown below:

Standalone operation of the modules is not possible. Modules will always be incorporated in an external application (Customer Product).

Customer understands and is responsible that the product incorporating the Kontron module must be designed to be compliant with IEC-62368-1 (EN 62368-1, UL 62368-1) to ensure protection against hazards and injuries. When operating the Kontron module the external application (Customer Product) must provide safeguards not to exceed the power limits given by classification to Power Source Class 1 (15 Watts) under normal operating conditions, abnormal conditions, or in the presence of a single fault. When using a battery power supply the external application must provide safeguards not to exceed the limits defined by PS-1, as well. The external application (Customer Product) must take measures to limit the power, the voltage or the current, respectively, if required, and must provide safeguards to protect ordinary persons against pain or injury caused by the voltage/current.

In case of a usage of the Kontron module not in accordance with the specifications or in single fault condition the external application (Customer Product) must be capable to withstand levels according to ES-1 / PS-1 also on all ports that are initially intended for signaling or audio, e.g., USB, RS-232, GPIOs, SPI, earphone and microphone interfaces.

In addition, the external application (Customer Product) must be designed in a way to distribute thermal energy generated by the intended operation of the Kontron module. In case of high temperature operation, the external application must provide safeguards to protect ordinary persons against pain or injury caused by the heat.

Table 36: IEC 62368-1 Classification

Source of Energy	Class	Limits
Electrical energy source	ES-1	The Kontron modules contain no electrical energy source - especially no battery. The electrical components and circuits have to be externally power supplied: DC either smaller 60 V Or less than 2 mA AC up to 1kHz smaller 30 V-rms or 42.4 V peak AC above 100kHz smaller 70 V rms
Power Source (potential ignition source causing fire)	PS-1	Power source provided by the external application must not exceed 15W, even under worst case and any single fault condition defined by IEC-62368-1: Section 6.2.2.3.
Hazardous Substances, Chemical reaction	--	Under regular conditions, the Kontron module does not contain any chemically reactive substances, and no chemical energy source, especially no battery. Module is compliant with RoHS and REACH (see above). In very rare cases however - under abnormal conditions (i.e. wrong supply voltage, burned module) or in the presence of single electrical component faults (i.e. shortcut) - health hazardous substances might be released if the worst comes to the worst.
Kinetic / mechanical energy source	MS-1	The Kontron modules have no sharp edges and corners, no moving parts, no loosening, exploding or imploding parts. The mass is well below 1kg.
Thermal energy source	TS-2	Under normal operating conditions, abnormal operating conditions or single fault conditions the temperature does not exceed +100°C on the metal surface (shielding)
Radiated energy source	RS-1	The Kontron module does not contain a radiant energy source, any lasers, lamps, LEDs, X-Ray emitting components or acoustic couplers.

6.2. SAR requirements specific to portable mobiles

Mobile phones, PDAs or other portable transmitters and receivers incorporating a GSM module must be in accordance with the guidelines for human exposure to radio frequency energy. This requires the Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) of portable ALAS66A based applications to be evaluated and approved for compliance with national and/or international regulations.

Since the SAR value varies significantly with the individual product design manufacturers are advised to submit their product for approval if designed for portable use. For US and European markets the relevant directives are mentioned below. The manufacturer of the end device is in the responsibility to provide clear installation and operating instructions for the user, including the minimum separation distance required to maintain compliance with SAR and/or RF field strength limits, as well as any special usage conditions required to do so, such as a required accessory, the proper orientation of the device, the max antenna gain for detachable antennas, or other relevant criteria. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer of the final product to verify whether or not further standards, recommendations or directives are in force outside these areas.

Products intended for sale on US markets

ES 59005/ANSI C95.1 Considerations for evaluation of human exposure to electromagnetic fields (EMFs) from mobile telecommunication equipment (MTE) in the frequency range 30MHz - 6GHz

Products intended for sale on European markets

EN 50360 Product standard to demonstrate the compliance of mobile phones with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (300MHz - 3GHz)

EN 62311:2008 Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz - 300 GHz)

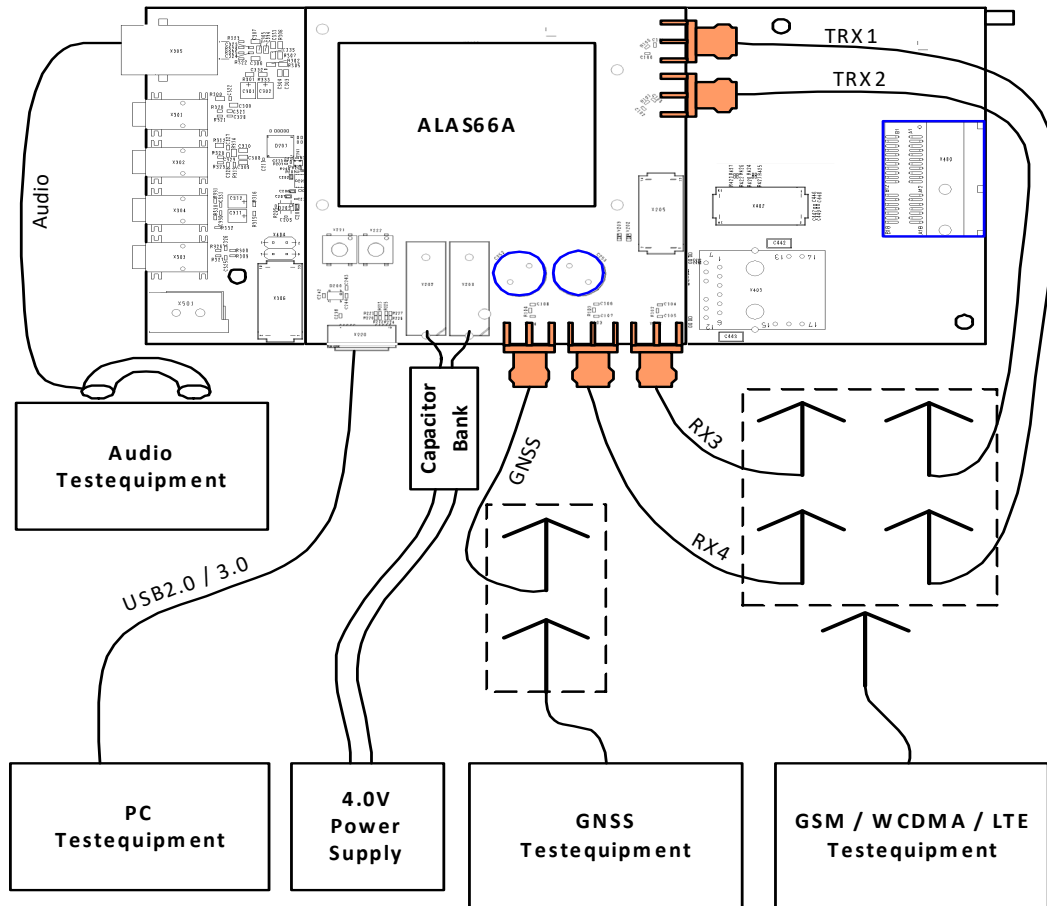
IMPORTANT:

Manufacturers of portable applications based on ALAS66A modules are required to have their final product certified and apply for their own FCC Grant and ISED Certificate related to the specific portable mobile.

6.3. Reference Equipment for Type Approval

The Kontron general reference setup submitted to type approve ALAS66A is shown in the figure below: [Figure 48](#) illustrates the setup for general tests and evaluation purposes. The evaluation module can be plugged directly onto an Audio Adapter. The GSM/UMTS/LTE/GNSS test equipment is still connected via SMA connectors on the evaluation module. The PC is connected via USB interface on the evaluation module, and the audio test equipment via audio jack on the Audio Adapter.

Figure 48: Reference equipment for type approval



Please note that for EMC and RF performance tests, slightly different reference equipment configurations are used. If necessary, please contact Kontron for further details.

6.4. Compliance with FCC and ISED Rules and Regulations

The Equipment Authorization Certification for the Kontron modules reference application described in [Section 6.3](#). will be registered under the following identifiers:

- › ALAS66A-W:
FCC Identifier 2AATHALAS66A-W
Granted to Kontron Europe GmbH
- › ALAS66A-US:
FCC Identifier 2AATHALAS66A-US
ISED Certification Number: 9927C-ALAS66AUS
Granted to Kontron Europe GmbH

Note¹: Manufacturers of mobile or fixed devices incorporating ALAS66A-W/-US modules are authorized to use the FCC Grants and ISED Certificates of the ALAS66A-W/-US modules for their own final products according to the conditions referenced in these documents. In this case, the FCC label of the module shall be visible from the outside, or the host device shall bear a second label stating "Contains FCC ID: 2AATHALAS66A-W" or "Contains FCC ID: 2AATHALAS66A-US", and accordingly "Contains IC: 9927C-ALAS66AUS". The integration is limited to fixed or mobile categorized host devices, where a separation distance between the antenna and any person of min. 20cm can be assured during normal operating conditions.

For mobile and fixed operation configurations the antenna gain, including cable loss, must not exceed the limits listed in the following [Table 37](#) and [Table 38](#) for FCC and/or ISED.

Table 37: Antenna gain limits for FCC for ALAS66A-W

Maximum gain in operating band	FCC limit	Unit
850MHz (GSM)	3.4	dBi
1900MHZ (GSM)	2.6	dBi
Band V (UMTS)	8.5	dBi
Band 5 (LTE-FDD)	9.4	dBi
Band 7 (LTE-FDD)	6.3	dBi
CA_7C (LTE-FDD)	4.3	dBi
Band 26 (LTE-FDD)	9.8	dBi

¹ Label note in French for ISED: Les fabricants d'équipement mobile ou fixe intégrant le module ALAS66A-W/-US sont autorisés à utiliser les accords FCC et certificats d'Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada (ISDE) du module ALAS66A-W/-US pour leur propre produit final suivant les conditions référencées dans ces documents. Dans ce cas, le label FCC du module doit être visible de l'extérieur, sinon l'équipement hôte doit disposer d'un second label avec la déclaration suivante " Contains FCC ID : QIPALAS66A-W ", ou " Contains FCC ID : QIPALAS66A-US " et en conséquence " Contains IC : 7830A-ALAS66AUS ". L'intégration est limitée aux catégories d'équipement hôte mobile ou fixe, respectant une distance minimum de 20 centimètres entre l'antenne et toute personne avoisinante pour des conditions d'utilisation normale.

Table 38: Antenna gain limits for FCC and ISED for ALAS66A-US

Maximum gain in operating band	FCC limit	ISED limit	All limits	Unit
850MHz (GSM)	3.4	0.1	0.1	dBi
1900MHZ (GSM)	2.0	2.5	2.0	dBi
Band II (UMTS)	7.5	7.5	7.5	dBi
Band IV (UMTS)	4.7	7.3	4.7	dBi
Band V (UMTS)	8.4	5.1	5.1	dBi
Band 2 (LTE-FDD)	9.1	8.5	8.5	dBi
Band 4 (LTE-FDD)	6.5	8.3	6.5	dBi
Band 5 (LTE-FDD)	9.4	6.1	6.1	dBi
CA_5A_7A Pcc (LTE-FDD)	8.7	5.4	5.4	dBi
CA_5A_7A Scc (LTE-FDD)	7.4	8.5	7.4	dBi
Band 7 (LTE-FDD)	6.5	11.8	6.5	dBi
CA_7C (LTE-FDD)	4.3	8.7	4.3	dBi
Band 12 (LTE-FDD)	8.7	5.6	5.6	dBi
Band 13 (LTE-FDD)	9.2	5.9	5.9	dBi
Band 66(LTE-FDD)	6.4	8.3	6.4	dBi

IMPORTANT:

Manufacturers of portable applications incorporating ALAS66A-W/-US modules are required to have their final product certified and apply for their own FCC Grant and/or ISED Certificate related to the specific portable mobile. This is mandatory to meet the SAR requirements for portable mobiles (see [Section 6.2](#) for detail).

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules and with ISED license-exempt RSS standard(s). These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- ▶ Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- ▶ Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- ▶ Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- ▶ Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

If Canadian approval is requested for devices incorporating ALAS66A modules the above note will have to be provided in the English and French language in the final user documentation. Manufacturers/OEM Integrators must ensure that the final user documentation does not contain any information on how to install or remove the module from the final product.

Notes (ISED):

(EN) This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS-GEN. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

(FR) Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme aux normes canadiennes ICES-003 et RSS-GEN. Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) cet appareil ne doit pas causer d'interférence et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, notamment les interférences qui peuvent affecter son fonctionnement.

(EN) Radio frequency (RF) Exposure Information

The radiated output power of the Wireless Device is below the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) radio frequency exposure limits. The Wireless Device should be used in such a manner such that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized.

This device has also been evaluated and shown compliant with the ISED RF Exposure limits under mobile exposure conditions. (antennas are greater than 20cm from a person's body).

(FR) Informations concernant l'exposition aux fréquences radio (RF)

La puissance de sortie émise par l'appareil de sans fil est inférieure à la limite d'exposition aux fréquences radio d'Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada (ISDE). Utilisez l'appareil de sans fil de façon à minimiser les contacts humains lors du fonctionnement normal.

Ce périphérique a également été évalué et démontré conforme aux limites d'exposition aux RF d'ISDE dans des conditions d'exposition à des appareils mobiles (les antennes se situent à moins de 20cm du corps d'une personne).

6.5. Compliance with Japanese Rules and Regulations

The ALAS66A(-J) reference application described in [Section 6.3](#). complies with the requirements of the Japanese "Telecommunications Business Law" and "Ordinance Concerning Technical Regulations Conformity Certification of Specified Radio Equipment" as well as with the requirements of the Japanese "Radio Law" and "Ordinance Concerning Technical Conditions Compliance Approval and Certification of the Type for Terminal Equipment".

- › The certificate granted in accordance with the "Telecommunications Business Law" has the identifier:
D 19 0023 201 / 00
- › The certificate granted in accordance with the "Radio Law" has the identifier:
201-190088 / 00

6.6. Compliance with Korean Rules and Regulations

The ALAS66A(-K) reference application described in [Section 6.3](#). complies with the requirements of the Korean Communications Commission (KCC).

The certificate granted in accordance with KCC has the identifier:
R-C-QIP-ALAS66A-K

Identifier and the KC (certification) logo are part of the module's label.



7/ Document Information

7.1. Revision History

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.290

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" **v01.290a**

Chapter	What is new
--	Updated layout (because of company name change).
6.1.	Revised some version numbers in Table 31 .
6.4.	Revised FCC Identifier as well as ISED Certification Number.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.250/01.234a

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.290

Chapter	What is new
1.1.	Revised firmware revision numbers for ALA66A product variants.
8.1.	Revised ordering information for ALA66A product variants.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.234a

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.250/01.234a

Chapter	What is new
1.1.	Revised firmware revision numbers for ALA66A-J/-US/-W/-E product variants.
8.1.	Revised ordering information for ALA66A-J/-US/-W/-E product variants.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.234

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.234a

Chapter	What is new
4.4.1.	Removed power supply ratings for USB suspend during SLEEP mode.
6.1.	Added REACH directive to Table 29 . Replaced UL 60950 with UL 62368-1 in Table 30 . Changed safety standard to IEC 62368-1 in Table 31 .
6.1.1.	New section IEC 62368-1 Classification .
6.2.	Added remark regarding responsibility of the end device manufacturer.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.228a

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.234

Chapter	What is new
---	New document layout
1.1.	Revised Revision Number of US- and Korea-Variant.
1.1., 8.1.	Added ALAS66A-W (AUS) Variant
6.1.	Revised NAPRD.03 version in Table 30 and GCF release in Table 31
8.1.	Revised Ordering- and Part-Number for the new release

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.228

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.228a

Chapter	What is new
1.2.	Revised description for PCIe interface type.
2.1.2.	Revised note previously added for GPIO7 and GPIO17.
2.1.7.	New section PCIe Interface .

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000b

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.230/01.228

Chapter	What is new
4.2.2.	Revised signal states for GPIO11 and GPIO19.
6.4.	Updated Table 37 and Table 38 listing FCC antenna gain values.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000a

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000b

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	Defined GPIO6 as interrupt enabled.
1.2.1.	Revised support for LTE-FDD Band 41. Added LTE-FDD Band 30. Added note for LTE-FDD Band 66. Added notes for LTE-FDD and LTE-TDD support.
1.2.2.	Added column "Downlink (4x4 MIMO)" to Table 2 showing supported CA configurations.
1.3.	Revised Figure 1 .
2.1.9.1.	Added note to Table 8 for BCLK2 signal and power saving mode.
2.2.1.	Completed Table 12 listing antenna interface specifications.
3.1.	Completed Table 18 listing GNSS properties.
4.2.2.	Revised some signal states in Table 21 .
4.4.1.	Added/revised some power supply ratings.
4.6.	Added ESD values.
5.2.3.	Added recommendations for soldering conditions.
5.1.	Added note to Figure 40 .
5.3.	New section Packaging .
6.1.	Added compliance with RoHS3 to Table 29 .
6.4.	Revised section and added antenna gain limits.
6.5.	New section Compliance with Japanese Rules and Regulations .
6.6.	New section Compliance with Korean Rules and Regulations .
8.1.	Added ordering information for ALAS66A-J and ALAS66A-K.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000a

Chapter	What is new
2.2.3.	New section RF Line Routing Design .
4.4.1.	Added/revised some power supply ratings.

Chapter	What is new
6.1., 6.2.	Revised sections to include standards of North American type approval.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.831a

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v01.000

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	Added new product variants ALAS6A-J, and ALAS6A-K. Revised support for LTE-TDD Band 41.
2.1.2.	Revised test point requirements/recommendations for various interface lines.
2.1.8.1.	Revised connecting circuit for voltage suppressor shown in Figure 11 .
4.2.3.1.	Added notes to Figure 29 .
4.4.1.	Added/revised power supply ratings.
4.7.	Added reliability characteristics.
6.3.	Added reference equipment for type approval.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.831

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.831a

Chapter	What is new
1.2.1.	Removed support for LTE Bd30.
4.4.1.	Slightly revised layout (mentioned UMTS BdxIX in same table row as BdV/VI).
6.1.	Updated some standard versions and added Draft ETSI EN 301 489-19 V2.1.0.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.116

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.831

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	GPIO3 is now described as HEART_BEAT signal.
1.2.1.	Revised Table 1 listing supported frequency bands, and added note regarding Bd41.
1.2.2.	New section Supported CA Configurations .
2.1.1.	Revised remark about rectangular shaped keep out areas on application's PCB.
2.1.2.	Added accuracy to ADCx_IN lines.
2.1.13.2.	New section Heartbeat Signal .
3/	Revised information about the Dead Reckoning Sync Line.
4.2.1.	Clarified remark on startup timing.
4.2.2.	Revised some signal startup states, and revised timings.
4.2.3.5.	New section Overall Shutdown Sequence .
4.2.4.1.	Added undertemperature shutdown ratings and URC.
4.4.1.	Added current consumption ratings (to be continued).
5.1.	Replaced Figure 41 .
5.2.1.1.	Added land pattern and stencil.
5.2.4.1.	Added air temperature as storage condition.
6.3.	Set section to TBD.
8.1.	Updated ordering information.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.086

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.116

Chapter	What is new
1.2.1.	Revised supported frequency bands for ALAS66A-E.
2.1.8.1.	Revised recommended ESD diodes in Figure 11 .
3/	Added information about the Dead Reckoning Sync Line.
4.2.3.3.	New section Turn off ALAS66A Using IGT Line .
4.2.1.	Added approximate startup time.
4.2.2.	Revised some signal startup states.
4.2.3.	Added approximate shutdown time.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.054

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.086

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	Revised document to include multiple product variants. Added support for UMTS/HSPA+ BdXIX. Removed support for STATUS and ADC3_IN signal lines, revised sections accordingly. Set first digital audio interface as reserved for future use. Removed fastboot functionality. Removed remote wakeup functionality (WAKEUP line). Described ASC0 as 4-wire (8-wire prepared) serial interface.
1.1.	New section Product Variants .
1.2.	Described USB interface as debug interface. Described various interfaces as Linux controlled. Added Audio-Ethernet Adapter as part of the evaluation kit. Added optional ASC2 (RXD2/TXD2) serial interface as debug interface. Added QZSS and SBAS as GNSS modes.
1.2.1.	New section Supported Frequency Bands .
2.1.2.	Added note for a 2.2k decoupling resistor between GPIO17 and JTAG_WD_DISABLE.
2.1.2., 2.1.12.	Added note that GPIO7 and GPIO17 lines must be low during startup.
2.1.2., 4.2.3.4.	Added note on maximum low impulse length for EMERG_OFF.
2.1.2.1.	Revised some absolute maximum ratings.
2.1.3.1	Removed section Reducing Power Consumption.
4.2.2.	Revised complete section on signal states after startup.
6.3.	New Section Reference Equipment for Type Approval .

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.010

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.054

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	Set MCLK signal line to reserved for future use.
1.2.	Added module weight.
2.1.1.	Revised remark on keep out areas in Figure 3 and Figure 4 .
2.1.9.	Revised section.
2.2.1.	Updated antenna interface specifications listed in Table 12 .
4.4.1.	Added further current consumption ratings for GSM/LTE to Table 24 .

Chapter	What is new
8.1.	Updated ordering information.

Preceding document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.001

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.010

Chapter	What is new
Throughout document	Replaced SD card interface with eMMC interface (SDC* lines with EMMC* lines). Mentioned that ASC0 modem control lines are shared with GPIO lines, and not yet implemented; Removed ADC3_IN; Described additional GPIO lines.
1.3.	Revised Figure 1 .
2.1.12.1.	New Section External Antenna Switch Interface .
2.1.15.1.	New Section eMMC Power Supply .

New document: "ALAS66A Hardware Interface Description" v00.001

Chapter	What is new
--	Initial document setup.

7.2. Related Documents

- [1] ALAS66A Release Note
- [2] Application Note 48: SMT Module Integration
- [3] Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 3.0
- [4] Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 2.0

7.3. Terms and Abbreviations






Abbreviation	Description
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARP	Antenna Reference Point
CA	Carrier Aggregation
CE	Conformité Européene (European Conformity)
CS	Coding Scheme
CS	Circuit Switched
CSD	Circuit Switched Data
DL	Download
dnu	Do not use
DRX	Discontinuous Reception
DSB	Development Support Board
DTX	Discontinuous Transmission
EDGE	Enhanced Data rates for GSM Evolution
EGSM	Extended GSM
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
ETS	European Telecommunication Standard

Abbreviation	Description
ETSI	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
FDD	Frequency Division Duplex
GPRS	General Packet Radio Service
GSM	Global Standard for Mobile Communications
HiZ	High Impedance
HSDPA	High Speed Downlink Packet Access
I/O	Input/Output
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
ISED	Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada
ISO	International Standards Organization
ITU	International Telecommunications Union
kbps	kbits per second
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LGA	Land Grid Array
LTE	Long term evolution
MBB	Moisture barrier bag
Mbps	Mbits per second
MCS	Modulation and Coding Scheme
MIMO	Multiple Input Multiple Output
MLCC	Multi Layer Ceramic Capacitor
eMMC	Embedded MultiMediaCard
MO	Mobile Originated
MS	Mobile Station, also referred to as TE
MSL	Moisture Sensitivity Level
MT	Mobile Terminated
nc	Not connected
NTC	Negative Temperature Coefficient
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PCIe	Peripheral Component Interconnect Express
PCL	Power Control Level
PCS	Personal Communication System, also referred to as GSM 1900
PD	Pull Down resistor
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PS	Packet Switched
PSK	Phase Shift Keying
PU	Pull Up resistor
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
R&TTE	Radio and Telecommunication Terminal Equipment
RF	Radio Frequency
rfu	Reserved for future use

Abbreviation	Description
ROPR	Radio Output Power Reduction
RTC	Real Time Clock
Rx	Receive Direction
SAR	Specific Absorption Rate
SELV	Safety Extra Low Voltage
SIM	Subscriber Identification Module
SMD	Surface Mount Device
SMS	Short Message Service
SMT	Surface Mount Technology
SRAM	Static Random Access Memory
SRB	Signalling Radio Bearer
TE	Terminal Equipment
TPC	Transmit Power Control
TS	Technical Specification
Tx	Transmit Direction
UL	Upload
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
URC	Unsolicited Result Code
USB	Universal Serial Bus
UICC	USIM Integrated Circuit Card
USIM	UMTS Subscriber Identification Module
WCDMA	Wideband Code Division Multiple Access

7.4. Safety Precaution Notes

The following safety precautions must be observed during all phases of the operation, usage, service or repair of any cellular terminal or mobile incorporating ALAS66A. Manufacturers of the cellular terminal are advised to convey the following safety information to users and operating personnel and to incorporate these guidelines into all manuals supplied with the product. Failure to comply with these precautions violates safety standards of design, manufacture and intended use of the product. Kontron assumes no liability for customer's failure to comply with these precautions.

	<p>When in a hospital or other health care facility, observe the restrictions on the use of mobiles. Switch the cellular terminal or mobile off, if instructed to do so by the guidelines posted in sensitive areas. Medical equipment may be sensitive to RF energy.</p> <p>The operation of cardiac pacemakers, other implanted medical equipment and hearing aids can be affected by interference from cellular terminals or mobiles placed close to the device. If in doubt about potential danger, contact the physician or the manufacturer of the device to verify that the equipment is properly shielded. Pacemaker patients are advised to keep their hand-held mobile away from the pacemaker, while it is on.</p>
	<p>Switch off the cellular terminal or mobile before boarding an aircraft. Make sure it cannot be switched on inadvertently. The operation of wireless appliances in an aircraft is forbidden to prevent interference with communications systems. Failure to observe these instructions may lead to the suspension or denial of cellular services to the offender, legal action, or both.</p>
	<p>Do not operate the cellular terminal or mobile in the presence of flammable gases or fumes. Switch off the cellular terminal when you are near petrol stations, fuel depots, chemical plants or where blasting operations are in progress. Operation of any electrical equipment in potentially explosive atmospheres can constitute a safety hazard.</p>
	<p>Your cellular terminal or mobile receives and transmits radio frequency energy while switched on. Remember that interference can occur if it is used close to TV sets, radios, computers or inadequately shielded equipment. Follow any special regulations and always switch off the cellular terminal or mobile wherever forbidden, or when you suspect that it may cause interference or danger.</p>
	<p>IMPORTANT!</p> <p>Cellular terminals or mobiles operate using radio signals and cellular networks. Because of this, connection cannot be guaranteed at all times under all conditions. Therefore, you should never rely solely upon any wireless device for essential communications, for example emergency calls. Remember, in order to make or receive calls, the cellular terminal or mobile must be switched on and in a service area with adequate cellular signal strength.</p> <p>Some networks do not allow for emergency calls if certain network services or phone features are in use (e.g. lock functions, fixed dialing etc.). You may need to deactivate those features before you can make an emergency call.</p> <p>Some networks require that a valid SIM card be properly inserted in the cellular terminal or mobile.</p>

8/ Appendix

8.1. List of Parts and Accessories

Table 39: List of parts and accessories

Description	Supplier	Ordering information
ALAS66A	Kontron	Standard module Kontron IMEI: Packaging unit (ordering) number: L30960-N5000-A190 (ALAS66A-W) L30960-N5010-A190 (ALAS66A-E) L30960-N5020-A190 (ALAS66A-CN) L30960-N5030-A190 (ALAS66A-US) L30960-N5040-A190 (ALAS66A-J) L30960-N5050-A190 (ALAS66A-K) Module label number ¹ : S30960-S5000-A190-1 (ALAS66A-W) S30960-S5010-A190-1 (ALAS66A-E) S30960-S5020-A190-1 (ALAS66A-CN) S30960-S5030-A190-1 (ALAS66A-US) S30960-S5040-A190-1 (ALAS66A-J) S30960-S5050-A190-1 (ALAS66A-K)
ALAS66A Evaluation module	Kontron	Ordering number: L30960-N5001-A190 (ALAS66A-W) L30960-N5011-A190 (ALAS66A-E) L30960-N5021-A190 (ALAS66A-CN) L30960-N5031-A190 (ALAS66A-US) L30960-N5041-A190 (ALAS66A-J) L30960-N5051-A190 (ALAS66A-K)
Audio Adapter for ALAS66A Evaluation modules	Kontron	On request.
Votronic Handset	VOTRONIC / Kontron	Votronic ordering number: HH-SI-30.3/V1.1/0 Votronic Entwicklungs- und Produktionsgesellschaft für elektronische Geräte mbH Saarbrücker Str. 8 66386 St. Ingbert Germany Phone: +49-(0)6 89 4 / 92 55-0 Fax: +49-(0)6 89 4 / 92 55-88 Email: contact@votronic.com
SIM card holder incl. push button ejector and slide-in tray	Molex	Ordering numbers: 91228 91236 Sales contacts are listed in Table 40 .
U.FL antenna connector	Molex or Hirose	Sales contacts are listed in Table 40 and Table 41 .

¹ Note: At the discretion of Kontron, module label information can either be laser engraved on the module's shielding or be printed on a label adhered to the module's shielding.

Table 40: Molex sales contacts (subject to change)

Molex For further information please click: http://www.molex.com	Molex Deutschland GmbH Otto-Hahn-Str. 1b 69190 Walldorf Germany Phone: +49-6227-3091-0 Fax: +49-6227-3091-8100 Email: mxgermany@molex.com	American Headquarters Lisle, Illinois 60532 U.S.A. Phone: +1-800-78MOLEX Fax: +1-630-969-1352
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