

BioRad RFID Reader FCC User Manual

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1 Introduction

1.1 Brief

This product is a dedicated ISO14443A RFID transponder read/write device designed specifically for Bio-Rad Digital Biology Group of Pleasanton California, USA for use in their medical specimen analysis instrument.

The board is fitted in up to 10 locations within the Bio-Rad analysis instrument. Its purpose is to read data from and write data to a 30mm x 15mm PVC/PET encapsulated Ntag215 transponder tag which is located in alignment and close proximity to the integral board antenna (between 0mm and 20mm separation distance).

The board provides a digital communication interface to the host machine via a Molex 70553-0038 connector. This interface conforms to the industry standard I–2C communication protocol. (For detailed information on this protocol see publications by NXP (Philips) Semiconductor, the originator of this standard.)

The Bio-Rad instrument requests of the product the actions of reading a transponder or writing to a transponder by sending to it commands over the I2C serial bus. These commands are covered in detail later in this User Manual. The board has fixed radio frequency output (RF) setup and can't be altered in any way by user instruction from the available commands. Therefore, unless the user wilfully alters the antenna circuitry of the board, it will perform in a fixed manner, from an RF perspective, compatible with the board specimens provided for regulatory testing approvals and certified by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC part 15C), Industry Canada (RSS210) and the European Community regulations (CE). The board is not "user adjustable or configurable" for RF performance.

1.2 Fitting instructions

The board is rectangular as can be seen from the illustrations in this manual. In each corner of the boards is provided a 3.4mm diameter hole, for the purpose of its mechanical fixing into place within the Bio-Rad instrument.

There is only one electrical connector on the board. This is the Molex 70553-0038 connector. The Bio-Rad instrument must connect signals to it as follows viewed from the top (component side) with the connector positioned in the bottom left hand corner of the board, reading from left to right:

- 1. SCL (I2C serial clock signal provided by the Bio-Rad instrument)
- 2. 0 volts (GND- regulated DC power supply connection, supplied by the Bio-Rad instrument).

3. 3.3 volts DC ±0.1V (Capable of sourcing at least 200mA, regulated DC power connection, supplied by the Bio-Rad instrument).

4. SDA (I2C serial data signal. Bi-Directional between the board and the Bio-Rad instrument).





Picture 1-1

The power supply to the board from the Bio-Rad instrument must be regulated and meet the specification of voltage range and current source output stated above.

The board provides the I2C pull up resistors required. The Bio-Rad instrument should adhere strictly to the open-collector agreed connection format of the I2C protocol.

2 Electrical Characteristics

2.1 Test Conditions

Typical device parameters have been measured at ambient temperature $22^{\circ}C \pm 3^{\circ}C$ and a power supply of $3.3V \pm 0.1V$.

2.2 Absolute Maximum Ratings



Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max	Unit	Notes
Τ _s	Storage Temperature	-40	150	°C	Tested for 10'000 hours at 150°C.
V _{DDMAX}	Supply Voltage	0	3.8	V	
VIOMAX	Input Pin Voltage	-0.3	V _{DD} + 0.3	V	
I _{IOMAX}	Output Pin Current	0	6	mA	
I _{ANT}	ANT1 and ANT2 Current	0	100	mA	Maximum continuous current. This depends upon the impedance of the circuit between ANT1 and ANT2 at 13.56MHz.

Table 2.1

2.3 Current Consumption

Symbol	Parameter	Тур	Max	Unit	Comment
	Iddla Currant	0.9	1.1	μA	T = 25°C, Vdd = 3.3V.
IDDLE			1.8	μA	Full range of temperature and power supply voltage.
1	Power Down State	20	40	nA	T = 25°C, Vdd = 3.3V.
PWRDN	Current		400	nA	Full range of temperature and power supply voltage.
I _{TX}	Power Up Current	14	24	mA	T = 25°C, Vdd = 3.3V, 50 Ω antenna connected between ANT1 and ANT2.
I _{TXMAX}	Maximum Current		120	mA	Maximum current consumed by the module in the worst conditions.

Table 2.2

Current measurement was taken place with all digital input pins connected to Vdd. Pins number 16 and 17 was left floating. Antenna was not connected except for the Power Up Current measurement and Maximum Current measurement.

2.4 GPIO

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Notes			
V _{IOIL}	Input Low Voltage			0.3V _{DD}	V				
V _{IOIH}	Input High Voltage	$0.7V_{DD}$			V				
I _{IOMAX}	Output Pin Current			±6	mA				
I _{IOLEAK}	Input Leakage Current		± 0.1	± 40	nA	High impedance IO connected to V_{DD} or GND.			
D	Internal ESD Series					200		0	
NIOESD	Resistor		200		52				
VIOHYST	IO Pin Histeresis	0.1V _{DD}			V				

Table 2.3



2.5 Antenna Output

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Notes	
f	Antenna Signal		12 5 6			+20 ppm (20°C 70°C)	
ANT	Frequency		13.30		IVITIZ	130 ppm (-20 C - 70 C).	
t	Antenna Signal			2		At 25%C	
ANTAG	Frequency Aging	0		5	phin	Al 25 C.	
V	Antenna High Level	V 0.CA			V	(-2)	
V _{ANTH}	Output Voltage	V _{DD} - 0.64	V _{DD} - 0.04			V	$v_{DD} = 2.5 v$, $r_{ANT} = 80111A$.
V	Antenna Low Level			0.04	V	(-2)	
V _{ANTL}	Output Voltage			0.64	V	$v_{DD} = 2.5 v$, $r_{ANT} = 8011A$.	
	ANTI and ANTO Current	0	<u> </u>	100		Maximum continuous current. This depends upon the impedance of	
ANT	ANTI and ANTZ Current	0	60	100	ШA	the circuit between ANT1 and ANT2 at 13.56MHz.	

Table 2.4

2.6 Flash

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Notes
C _{FE}	Flash Erase Cycles Before Failure	20000			cycles	
т	Flash Data Retention Time	10			years	For ambient temperature < 85°C
FDR		20			years	For ambient temperature < 70°C

Table 2.5

3 System

3.1 Overview

The general overview of system components is shown in Figure 3.1. The system internally consists of four main parts:

- CORE the main processing part of the microcontroller firmware responsible for managing all system tasks, parsing and the execution of commands received from the user's master controller.
- RFID dedicated RFID IC together with its firmware drivers responsible for communication with the RFID tag.
- COMMUNICATION SYSTEM microcontroller's peripherals (I2C and SPI) and its firmware drivers providing communication functionality to the user.
- POWER MANAGER a subsystem responsible for managing power states and clocks in the module to minimise power consumption during operation.



Figure 3.1

3.2 Modules

3.2.1 Core

The core of the system shown above in figure 3.1, is the part of the modules' hardware and firmware responsible for managing tasks, prioritizing them and allocating resources to other components of the system. When the user sends a command, the core is the part of the system which ensures that the command is executed properly, that the outcome is saved and that a response is sent back to the user's master controller.

3.2.2 RFID

The RFID component is the part of the hardware and module firmware responsible for the complete communication interaction with the transponder via RF. In the RFID A1 module this part currently provides communication capabilities with Mifare Classic, Ultralight and NTAG2 transponder types. The key features of this RFID section are both fastest speed of transmission and system responsiveness, and optimal low power consumption.

3.2.3 Communication System

The Communication System component of the RFID A1 module is responsible for the entire communication with the user master controller, together with parsing commands for subsequent execution by the module core. Two communication interfaces are available: SPI and I2C. Both have equivalent access to the Communication System. It is possible to communicate with the module using all two interfaces at the same time, but it is strongly recommended to select and use only one at a time.

Communication peripherals are always active unless the nPWRDN signal is asserted. Doing so will put the module into Deep Sleep Mode and turn off entire Communication System.

3.2.4 Power Manager

The Power Manager is the part of the firmware, together with hardware support, that manages the power states of the system and tries to minimize power consumption as much as possible. The user has the option to put the module into Power Down Mode by pulling low the nPWRDN pin.

When the system enters Power Down Mode, all clocks and submodules are disabled and no response to user communication commands will occur until the system is re-enabled by the nPWDN being taken high by the user's system.



3.3 Memory Map

The device memory layout is shown below in Table 3.1.

In the RFID A1 module there are 728 bytes of user accessible memory. Each byte of the memory has a defined factory default value and these values can be recovered by using the 'Reset to Factory Defaults' command. The first 288 bytes are volatile memory which also have a default reset state that is the same as the factory default value. The other memory is buffered non-volatile memory and can be modified and stored using 'Unlock' and 'Lock' commands. The RFID A1 module is automatically returned to factory default state if after power up there is no valid configuration stored in non-volatile memory. The first 288 bytes of this user accessible memory are not stored in non-volatile memory and are always reset to factory defaults after a power-up sequence or after exit from the Power Down Mode.

Reading and writing to the registers can be done via one of two interfaces available on the module -12C or SPI. The rest of the memory is accessible only when the module is unlocked. The default state of the module after power up is locked.

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Address [DEC]	Address [HEX]	Size [bytes]	Description	Access	Locked and Stored in non volatile memory
0	0x0000	1	Result	Read Only	No
1	0x0001	1	Command	R/W	No
2	0x0002	18	Command Parameters	R/W	No
20	0x0014	10	Tag UID	Read Only	No
30	0x001E	1	Тад Туре	Read Only	No
31	0x001F	1	Tag UID Size	Read Only	No
32	0x0020	256	Data Buffer	R / W	No
288	0x0120	8	Password	R / W when unlocked	Yes
296	0x0128	16	AES Initialization Vector 0	R / W when unlocked	Yes
312	0x0138	16	AES Initialization Vector 1	R / W when unlocked	Yes
328	0x0148	16	AES Key 0	R / W when unlocked	Yes
344	0x0158	16	AES Key 1	R / W when unlocked	Yes
360	0x0168	6	Authentication Key / Password 0	R / W when unlocked	Yes
366	0x016E	6	Authentication Key / Password 1	R / W when unlocked	Yes
372	0x0174	6	Authentication Key / Password 2	R / W when unlocked	Yes
378	0x017A	6	Authentication Key / Password 3	R / W when unlocked	Yes
384	0x0180	6	Authentication Key / Password 4	R / W when unlocked	Yes
390	0x0186	6	Authentication Key / Password 5	R / W when unlocked	Yes
396	0x018C	6	Authentication Key / Password 6	R / W when unlocked	Yes
402	0x0192	6	Authentication Key / Password 7	R / W when unlocked	Yes
408	0x0198	6	Authentication Key / Password 8	R / W when unlocked	Yes
414	0x019E	6	Authentication Key / Password 9	R / W when unlocked	Yes
420	0x01A4	6	Authentication Key / Password 10	R / W when unlocked	Yes
426	0x01AA	6	Authentication Key / Password 11	R / W when unlocked	Yes
432	0x01B0	6	Authentication Key / Password 12	R / W when unlocked	Yes
438	0x01B6	6	Authentication Key / Password 13	R / W when unlocked	Yes
444	0x01BC	6	Authentication Key / Password 14	R / W when unlocked	Yes
450	0x01C2	6	Authentication Key / Password 15	R / W when unlocked	Yes
156	0v01C8	6	Authentication Key / Password 16	R / W when unlocked	Voc

378	0x017A	6	Authentication Key / Password 3	R / W when unlocked	Yes
384	0x0180	6	Authentication Key / Password 4	R / W when unlocked	Yes
390	0x0186	6	Authentication Key / Password 5	R / W when unlocked	Yes
396	0x018C	6	Authentication Key / Password 6	R / W when unlocked	Yes
402	0x0192	6	Authentication Key / Password 7	R / W when unlocked	Yes
408	0x0198	6	Authentication Key / Password 8	R / W when unlocked	Yes
414	0x019E	6	Authentication Key / Password 9	R / W when unlocked	Yes
420	0x01A4	6	Authentication Key / Password 10	R / W when unlocked	Yes
426	0x01AA	6	Authentication Key / Password 11	R / W when unlocked	Yes
432	0x01B0	6	Authentication Key / Password 12	R / W when unlocked	Yes
438	0x01B6	6	Authentication Key / Password 13	R / W when unlocked	Yes
444	0x01BC	6	Authentication Key / Password 14	R / W when unlocked	Yes
450	0x01C2	6	Authentication Key / Password 15	R / W when unlocked	Yes
456	0x01C8	6	Authentication Key / Password 16	R / W when unlocked	Yes
462	0x01CE	6	Authentication Key / Password 17	R / W when unlocked	Yes
468	0x01D4	6	Authentication Key / Password 18	R / W when unlocked	Yes
474	0x01DA	6	Authentication Key / Password 19	R / W when unlocked	Yes
480	0x01E0	6	Authentication Key / Password 20	R / W when unlocked	Yes
486	0x01E6	6	Authentication Key / Password 21	R / W when unlocked	Yes
492	0x01EC	6	Authentication Key / Password 22	R / W when unlocked	Yes
498	0x01F2	6	Authentication Key / Password 23	R / W when unlocked	Yes
504	0x01F8	6	Authentication Key / Password 24	R / W when unlocked	Yes
510	0x01FE	6	Authentication Key / Password 25	R / W when unlocked	Yes
516	0x0204	6	Authentication Key / Password 26	R / W when unlocked	Yes
522	0x020A	6	Authentication Key / Password 27	R / W when unlocked	Yes
528	0x0210	6	Authentication Key / Password 28	R / W when unlocked	Yes
534	0x0216	6	Authentication Key / Password 29	R / W when unlocked	Yes
540	0x021C	6	Authentication Key / Password 30	R / W when unlocked	Yes
546	0x0222	6	Authentication Key / Password 31	R / W when unlocked	Yes
552	0x0228	6	Authentication Key / Password 32	R / W when unlocked	Yes
558	0x022E	6	Authentication Key / Password 33	R / W when unlocked	Yes
564	0x0234	6	Authentication Key / Password 34	R / W when unlocked	Yes
570	0x023A	6	Authentication Key / Password 35	R / W when unlocked	Yes
576	0x0240	6	Authentication Key / Password 36	R / W when unlocked	Yes
582	0x0246	6	Authentication Key / Password 37	R / W when unlocked	Yes
588	0x024C	6	Authentication Key / Password 38	R / W when unlocked	Yes
594	0x0252	6	Authentication Key / Password 39	R / W when unlocked	Yes
600	0x0258	128	User Memory	R / W when unlocked	Yes



3.3.1 Result Register

The Result Register is 1-byte long, with located at address 0x0000, with both read and write access. Writing to this register has no effect. The register contains the result (error code) of the last executed command. The list of all possible results is shown in Table 3.2.

Result Register Values							
Value	Туре	Description					
0×00	No Error	Command was executed successfully and results were					
0,000		stored in the registers.					
0x01	Invalid Command	Value written to command register is invalid.					
0x02	Invalid Command Parameter	One of the parameters taken by the command is					
0,02		invalid.					
0x03	Indexes Out Of Range	Indexes passed as command parameters exceed limit.					
0×04	Error When Writing To Non	There was an internal error during writing to the non-					
0x04	Volatile Memory	volatile memory.					
0x05	System Error	Internal system error. Shall be considered as fatal.					
0x06	Tag CBC Error	During communication with the tag a CRC was not					
0,00		correct.					
0x07	Tag Collision	Reserved for future use.					
0x08	Tag is not present	There is no tag within range.					
0x09	Tag Authentication Error	Authentication failed due to incorrect Autentication					
0,05		Key or Password.					
ΟνΟΔ	Tag Value Block Corrupted	At least one value block is corrupted in the tag					
		memory.					
0x0B	Module Overheated	A overheat was detected.					
0x0C	Tag Not Supported	There is a tag in the field which is not supported.					
0x0D	Tag Communication Error	There was an error during communication with the tag.					
0x0E	Invalid Password	The Password used in the Unlock command string was					
	Alroady Locked	Invalid.					
UXUP	Alleduy Lockeu	Your command was ignored because the module is					
OxFF	Module Busy	busy Retry later					
	,	busy. Netty later.					

Table 3.2



3.3.2 Command Register

The Command Register is 1-byte, located at address 0x0001, with both read and write access. Writing to this register is recognized by the module as a command execution request. Depending upon the command (value written to the register) the Command Parameters Register is parsed to extract arguments for the command. Whilst commands are executing, the Result Register value is set to 0xFF and the nBUSY line is driven low. When command execution is complete the memory is updated and the nBUSY line returns to the high state indicating that the module is ready to receive another command.

3.3.3 Command Parameters Register

Register Name	Command Parameters																
Register Address		0x0002															
Byte Offset	0x00	ADD 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04 0x05 0x06 0x07 0x08 0x09 0x0A 0x0B 0x0C 0x0D 0x0F 0x1F 0x10															
Byte Position	0	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16															
Access	R/W	R/W															
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00
Read Function																	
Write Function		Parameters taken when executing commands. Each command has various number and order of parameters.															



The Command Parameters Register is 18-bytes long, located at addresses from 0x0002 to 0x0013, with both read and write access. This is the place from where the system parses the arguments necessary to perform requested operation when a command is executed. Depending upon the command, this register is parsed and interpreted in different ways. The details of interpretation of the data stored in this register can be found in chapter 4.2. The module never changes the values inside this register except after power-up or exit from Deep Sleep Mode.



3.3.4 Tag UID Register

Register Name		Tag UID								
Register Address		0x0014								
Byte Offset	0x00)x00 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04 0x05 0x06 0x07 0x08 0x09								
Byte Position	0	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9								
Access	R	R R R R R R R R R								
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00 <th< th=""></th<>								
Read Function	UID[0]	UID[1]	UID[2]	UID[3]	UID[4]	UID[5]	UID[6]	UID[7]	UID[8]	UID[9]

Table 3.4

Tag UID Register is 10-bytes long, located at addresses from 0x0014 to 0x001D, with read only access. In most cases the tag UIDs are 4 bytes, 7 bytes or 10 bytes long, thus this register can cover the longest UID but not necessarily all bytes available in the register will be used. Bytes within the register are ordered from the least significant byte to the most significant byte. This register is updated whenever Get UID and Type commands are used. The Tag UID Size Register contains information detailing how many bytes of the ten available represent the tag UID.

3.3.5 Tag Type Register

The Tag Type Register is 1-byte long located at address 0x001E, with read only access. This register contains information about the type of tag which was last seen in the field. Possible tag types are shown in Table 3.5.

Returned value	Tag type
0x00	No Tag
0x01	Incomplete Type
0x02	Ultralight
0x03	Ultralight EV1 80B
0x04	Ultralight EV1 164B
0x05	Classic Mini
0x06	Classic 1K
0x07	Classic 4K
0x08	NTAG203F
0x09	NTAG210
0x0A	NTAG212
0x0B	NTAG213F
0x0C	NTAG216F
0x0D	NTAG213
0x0E	NTAG215
0x0F	NTAG216
0x10	Unknown

Table 3.5



3.3.6 Tag UID Size Register

The Tag UID Size Register is 1-byte long, located at address 0x001F, with read only access. It contains the information of what the UID size in bytes was of the last tag in the field.

3.3.7 Data Buffer

The Data Buffer is a 256-byte long, located at address 0x0020 to 0x011F, with both read and write access. This buffer is used for data transfers between the tag and the user of the module.

3.3.8 Password Register

Register Name		Password								
Register Address		0x0120								
Byte Offset	0x00	0x00 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04 0x05 0x06 0x07								
Byte Position	0	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7								
Access	R/W	R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W								
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00		
Read Function	PASS[0]	PASS[1]	PASS[2]	PASS[3]	PASS[4]	PASS[5]	PASS[6]	PASS[7]		
Write Function	PASS[0]	PASS[1]	PASS[2]	PASS[3]	PASS[4]	PASS[5]	PASS[6]	PASS[7]		

Table 3.6

The Password Register is 8-bytes long, located at address 0x0120 to 0x0127, with both read and write access but only after first unlocking the device. This register is inaccessible when the module is locked. It contains an 8-byte long password which must be used with the Unlock Command to unlock protected memory. This password can be changed when the device is unlocked. The password change will only be updated and become valid after executing the Lock command.



3.3.9 AES Initialization Vector Register

Register Name		AES Initialization Vector														
Register Address		0x0128,0x0138														
Byte Offset	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	0x04	0x05	0x06	0x07	0x08	0x09	0x0A	0x0B	0x0C	0x0D	0x0E	0x0F
Byte Position	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Access	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00
Read Function	InVec[0]	InVec[1]	InVec[2]	InVec[3]	InVec[4]	InVec[5]	InVec[6]	InVec[7]	InVec[8]	InVec[9]	InVec[10]	InVec[11]	InVec[12]	InVec[13]	InVec[14]	InVec[15]
Write Function	InVec[0]	InVec[1]	InVec[2]	InVec[3]	InVec[4]	InVec[5]	InVec[6]	InVec[7]	InVec[8]	InVec[9]	InVec[10]	InVec[11]	InVec[12]	InVec[13]	InVec[14]	InVec[15]

Table 3.7

The AES Initialization Vector Registers are two 16-bytes long registers, located at address 0x0128 to 0x0147, with both read and write access but only after first unlocking the device. These registers are inaccessible when the module is locked. They can be used as an initialization vector for the first encrypted data block. The byte order in the memory is from the least significant byte. Their role during data encryption and decryption is described in detail in chapter 4.2.8 and 4.2.9.

3.3.10 AES Key Register

Register Name		AES Key														
Register Address		0x0148, 0x0158														
Byte Offset	0x00	00 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04 0x05 0x06 0x07 0x08 0x09 0x0A 0x0B 0x0C 0x0D 0x0E 0x0F														
Byte Position	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Access	R/W	VW R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/W R/														
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00
Read Function	Key[0]	xy[0] Key[1] Key[2] Key[3] Key[4] Key[5] Key[6] Key[7] Key[8] Key[9] Key[10] Key[11] Key[12] Key[13] Key[14] Key[14] Key[15]														
Write Function	Key[0]	Key[1]	Key[2]	Key[3]	Key[4]	Key[5]	Key[6]	Key[7]	Key[8]	Key[9]	Key[10]	Key[11]	Key[12]	Key[13]	Key[14]	Key[15]

Table 3.8

The AES Key Registers are two 16-bytes long registers, located at address 0x0148 to 0x0167, with both read and write access but only after first unlocking the device. These registers are inaccessible when the module is locked. Both registers contain an AES encryption key which can be used for encryption of the Data Buffer. Their role during encryption and decryption of the data in the buffer is described in detail in chapter 4.2.8 and 4.2.9.



Register Name		Authentication Key / Password							
Register Address		0x0168, 0x016E 0x0252							
Byte Offset	0x00	0x00 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04							
Byte Position	0	1	2	3	4	5			
Access	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W			
Factory Default Value	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00			
Read Function	KEY[0] / PASS[0]	KEY[1] / PASS[1]	KEY[2] / PASS[2]	KEY[3] / PASS[3]	KEY[4]	KEY[5]			
Write Function	KEY[0] / PASS[0]	KEY[1] / PASS[1]	KEY[2] / PASS[2]	KEY[3] / PASS[3]	KEY[4]	KEY[5]			

3.3.11 Authentication Key / Password Register



The Authentication Key and Password Registers are forty 6-bytes long registers, located at address 0x0168 to 0x0257, with both read and write access but only after first unlocking the device. These registers are inaccessible when the module is locked. When working with Mifare Classic tags these registers contain the password keys used for block authentication in the tag. When working with Ultralight and NTAG transponders, these registers contain 4-byte passwords. There are forty Authentication Key and Password registers numbered from 0 to 39. The number of the key register to be used is passed as an argument in some commands.

3.3.12 User Memory

There are 128 bytes of memory available for the user as a protected memory space from address 0x0258 to 0x02D7. This memory is inaccessible when the device is locked. This data is stored into non-volatile memory when the Lock command is executed.



4 Functional Description

4.1 Overview

The RFID A1 module is designed to provide a simple interface to communicate and manage RFID tags from the Mifare Classic, Ultralight and NTAG2 families. The interface is provided via SPI and I2C busses. From the user perspective, the module is a memory region where he can read from and write to. Depending upon the memory address, the role of registers located in the memory differ as per the Memory Map description given in Chapter 3.3. By writing to and reading from these registers, the user can achieve the desired result.

4.2 Commands

The RFID A1 Module has a special register, the Command Register. Writing to this register is interpreted as a command execution request from the user. The command type corresponds to the value written into the register. Execution of a command starts when the communication is finished. Depending upon the bus used, definition of the communication endpoint varies. When using the I2C bus, communication is finished when a STOP condition is sent. In case of the SPI bus, communication is finished on the rising edge of the CS signal.

The nBUSY line goes from the high state to the low state and indicates that the module is busy (it parses data stored in the registers and executes commands, if any command was sent). A more detailed description of the signal behavior is given in chapter **Error! Reference source not found.**.

The full RFID A1 command list is shown below in Table 4.1.



Value	Command Type	Arguments Taken	Memory Modified
0x00	No action	-	-
0x01	Get UID and Type	-	Result Register, Tag Type, Tag UID, Tag UID Size
0x02	Read Block	Block Address, Read Length, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x03	Write Block	Block Address, WriteLength, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, Buffer Offset	Result Register
0x04	Read Data Block	Block Address, Read Length, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x05	Write Data Block	Block Address, Read Length, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, Buffer Offset	Result Register
0x06	Read Page	Page Address, Read Length, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x07	Write Page	Page Address, Read Length, Buffer Offset	Result Register
0x08	Encrypt Data	Encryption Key Number, Initialization Vector Number, Buffer Offset, Data Length	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x09	Decrypt Data	Encryption Key Number, Initialization Vector Number, Buffer Offset, Data Length	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x0A	Read Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x0B	Write Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, 32-bit signed Value, Stored Block Address	Result Register
0x0C	Increment Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, 32-bit signed Delta Value	Result Register
0x0D	Decrement Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, 32-bit signed Delta Value	Result Register
0x0E	Restore Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key	Result Register
0x0F	Transfer Value	Block Address, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key	Result Register
0x10	Recover Value	Block Address, Buffer Offset, Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key	Result Register
0x11	Get Version	-	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x12	Read Signature	-	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x13	Configure UID	Authentication Key Number, Authentication Key, UID Type	Result Register
0x14	Read Counter	Counter Number, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x15	Increment Counter	Counter Number, 24-bit signed Increment Value	Result Register
0x16	Check Tearing Event	Counter Number, Buffer Offset	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x17	Password Authentication	Buffer Offset, Password Number, Password	Result Register, Data Buffer
0x18	Halt	-	Result Register
0x19	Calculate CRC	Memory Address, Data Legth, Buffer Offset	Data Buffer
0x1A	Copy Data	Destination Address, Source Address, Data Length	All
Ox1B	Unlock	Password	Result Register
0x1C	Lock	-	Result Register, Non-volatile memory
0x1D	Get Module Version	-	Data Buffer

Depending upon the command, different arguments are taken as parameters and various registers are modified. After each command execution, the Result Register is updated.

4.2.1 Get UID and Type (0x01)

The 'Get UID and Type' command takes no arguments. After receiving this command, the RFID A1 Module checks for any tag presence in the field. If there is no tag in the field, it returns 'No Tag' value in the 'Tag Type Register'. If there is a tag in the field, it reads its UID and type and writes it to Tag UID and Tag Type registers. The 'UID Size Register' together with the 'Result Register' are updated also. This command must always be executed first before any other command to turn on and initialize the tag. Additionally, this command must be executed after any error when doing any operations on a tag to reset the tag and to enable it to be able to respond to further command requests.



4.2.2 Read Block (0x02)

Command Number			0x02		
Command Name			Read Block		
Valid Tag Types			Mifare Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	0x04
Argument Name	Block Address	Read Length	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the first block in the memory that is to be read.	Number of blocks to read. Value has to be larger than 0.	Buffer offset in bytes of where the data from the tag is to be stored. The total read size and the offset must not exceed the data buffer length (number of bytes).	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to decrypt the data read. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as key B. If bit 7 is zero it will be used as key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in Authentication Key Number argument is set. This Key will be used as Key B if bit 7 in Authentication Key Number is set or as Key A if bit 7 is not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.2

The 'Read Block' command takes as arguments the first block address to read (Block Address), the number of blocks to read (Read Length), the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. If the Authentication Key is set-up, the command first tries to authenticate the sector which contains the first buffer. If authentication fails, the 'Result Register' is updated with the appropriate error value and command execution finishes. After a successful authentication, the first block is read and stored in the data buffer. The command continues to read following blocks if the Read Length is higher than 1. If the next blocks fall into another tag memory sector this sector is authenticated using the same key. If everything goes well all block bytes are copied to the Data Buffer starting from Data Buffer Offset and the Result Register is updated with the 'No Error' value. If the RFID Module is unable to read the block, an error value is stored in the Result Register.



4.2.3 Write Block (0x03)

Command Number		0x03										
Command Name			Write Block									
Valid Tag Types			Mifare Classic									
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	0x04							
Argument Name	Block Address	Write Length	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key							
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06							
Argument Description	Address of the first block in the memory to which the data is to be written.	Number of blocks to write. Value has to be larger than 0.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the data is to be taken to write to the tag. The total write size and the offset must not exceed the data buffer length (number of bytes).	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to encrypt the data that is to be written. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as key B. If bit 7 is zero it will be used as key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in Authentication Key Number argument is set. This Key will be used as Key B if bit 7 in Authentication Key Number is set or as Key A if bit 7 is not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.							

Table 4.3

The Write Block command takes as arguments the first block address to write (Block Address), the number of blocks to write (Write Length), the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. If the Authentication Key is set-up, the command first tries to authenticate the sector which contains the first buffer. If authentication fails, the Result Register is updated with the appropriate error code and command execution finishes. After successful authentication, the data is transferred from the data buffer to the first block. The command continues to write to the following blocks if the Write Length is higher than 1. If subsequent blocks fall into another tag memory sector this sector is authenticated using the same key. If everything goes well all block bytes are copied from the Data Buffer starting from Data Buffer Offset, and the Result Register is updated with the 'No Error' code. If the RFID Module is unable to write to the blocks an appropriate error code is stored in the Result Register.



4.2.4 Read Data Block (0x04)

Command Number			0x04	·	
Command Name			Read Data Block		
Valid Tag Types			Mifare Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	0x04
Argument Name	Block Address	Read Length	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the first block in the memory that is to be read.	Number of blocks to read. Value has to be larger than 0.	Buffer offset in bytes of where the data from the tag is to be stored. The total read size and the offset must not exceed the data buffer length (number of bytes).	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to decrypt the data read. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as key B. If bit 7 is zero it will be used as key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in Authentication Key Number argument is set. This Key will be used as Key B if bit 7 in Authentication Key Number is set or as Key A if bit 7 is not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.4

The Read Data Block command takes as arguments the first block address to read (Block Address), the number of blocks to read (Read Length), the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. If the Authentication Key is set-up, the command first tries to authenticate the sector which contains the first buffer. If authentication fails, the Result Register is updated with the 'error' value and command execution finishes. After successful authentication, the first block is read and stored in the data buffer. The command continues to read subsequent blocks if the Read Length is higher than 1. The difference between the Read Data Block command and the Read Block Command is that the first one omits blocks with authentication keys and lock bits. It only reads the data blocks from Mifare tags. If the subsequent blocks read fall into another tag memory sector, this sector is authenticated using the same key. If everything goes well all block bytes are copied to the Data Buffer starting from the Data Buffer Offset and the Result Register is updated with a 'No Error' value. If the RFID Module is unable to read the block an 'error' value is stored in the Result Register.



4.2.5 Write Data Block (0x05)

Command Number			0x05		
Command Name			Write Data Block		
Valid Tag Types			Mifare Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	0x04
Argument Name	Block Address	Write Length	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the first block in the memory to which the data will be written.	Number of blocks to write. Value has to be larger than 0.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the data is to be taken to write to the tag. The total write size and the offset must not exceed the data buffer length (number of bytes).	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to encrypt the data that is to be written. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as key B. If bit 7 is zero it will be used as key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in Authentication Key Number argument is set. This Key will be used as Key B if bit 7 in Authentication Key Number is set or as Key A if bit 7 is not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.5

The Write Data Block command takes as arguments the first block address to write (Block Address), the number of blocks to write (Write Length), the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. If the Authentication Key is set-up, the command first tries to authenticate the sector which contains the first buffer. If authentication fails, the Result Register is updated with an 'error' value and command execution terminates. After successful authentication, the data is transferred from the data buffer to the first block. The Command continues to write to subsequent blocks if the Write Length is higher than 1. The difference between Write Data Block command and Write Block Command is that the first one omits blocks with authentication keys and lock bits. It only writes to the data blocks of Mifare tags. If subsequent blocks fall into another sector this sector is authenticated using the same key. If everything goes well all block bytes are copied from the Data Buffer Offset and the Result Register is updated with a 'No Error' value. If the RFID Module is unable to write to the blocks an 'error' value is stored in the Result Register.



4.2.6 Read Page (0x06)

Command Number	0x06				
Command Name		Read Page			
Valid Tag Types	Mifare Ultr	Mifare Ultralight, Mifare Ultralight EV1, NTAG			
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02		
Argument Name	Page Address	Read Length	Data Buffer Offset		
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01		
			Buffer offset in bytes of		
			where in memory the		
	Address of the first	Number of pages to	data from the tag is to		
Argument Description	page in the memory	read. Value has to be	be stored. Total read		
	that is to be read.	larger than 1.	size and the offset		
			cannot exceed the data		
			buffer length.		

Table 4.6

The Read Page command takes as arguments the first page address to read (Page Address), the number of pages to read (Read Length) and the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset). If any of the pages to be read are password protected a Password Authentication is necessary before doing a read operation. If read fails, the Result Register is updated with an 'error' value and command execution finishes. After successful communication, the first page is read and stored in the data buffer. Command continues to read subsequent pages if the Read Length is higher than 1. If everything goes well all bytes are copied to the Data Buffer starting from Data Buffer Offset and the Result Register is updated with a 'No Error' value.



4.2.7 Write Page (0x07)

Command Number	0x07			
Command Name	Write Page			
Valid Tag Types	Mifare Ultr	alight, Mifare Ultralight	EV1, NTAG	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	
Argument Name	Page Address	Write Length	Data Buffer Offset	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	
Argument Description	Address of the first page in the memory to which the data is to be written.	Number of pages to write. Value has to be larger than 1.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the data to be written to the tag is to be taken. Total write size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	

Table 4.7

The Write Page command takes as arguments the first page address to be written (Page Address), the number of pages to be written (Write Length) and the byte offset in the data buffer (Data Buffer Offset). If any of the pages to be written are password protected, then a Password Authentication is necessary before doing a write operation. If write fails, the Result Register is updated with an 'error' value and the command execution terminates. After successful communication, the data is transferred from the data buffer to the first page. This Command continues to write to subsequent pages if the Write Length is higher than 1. If everything goes well all bytes are copied from the Data Buffer Offset, and the Result Register is updated with a 'No Error' value.



4.2.8 Encrypt Data (0x08)

Command Number	0x08			
Command Name	Encrypt Data			
Valid Tag Types		-	-	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01 0x02			0x03
Argument Name	Encryption Key Number	Initialization Vector Number	Data Buffer Offset	Data Length
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01
Argument Description	Number of the AES encryption key to be used for encryption. Valid numbers are 0x00 and 0x01.	Number of the Initialization Vector to be used for encryption. Valid numbers are 0x00 and 0x01.	Buffer offset in 16-byte blocks from where encryption will start. Total data size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	Number of 16 byte bocks of data to be encrypted. This value can be between 1 and 8.

Table 4.8

The Encrypt Data command takes as command arguments the Encryption Key Number (0x00 or 0x01), the Initialization Vector Number (0x00 or 0x01), the Data Buffer Offset (16-bytes blocks) and the Data Length (16-bytes blocks). This command encrypts the 'Data Length' number of 16-byte blocks using the AES128 CBC encryption methodology. It operates only within the Data Buffer. This encryption method is shown in Figure 4.1.



Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode encryption

Figure 4.1



The Initialization Vector is used at the beginning to encrypt the first plaintext. For each subsequent 16-byte block instead of the Initialization Vector, the algorithm uses the ciphertext output of the previous 16-byte block encryption. The same AES Key is used for all blocks. When working with the Data Buffer during encryption the plaintext is substituted with the corresponding ciphertext.



4.2.9 Decrypt Data (0x09)

Command Number	0x09				
Command Name		Decrypt Data			
Valid Tag Types		-	-		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01 0x02			0x03	
Argument Name	Decryption Key Number	Initialization Vector Number	Data Buffer Offset	Data Length	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x01	
Argument Description	The number of the AES Key to be used for decryption. Valid numbers are 0x00 and 0x01.	Number of the initialization Vector to be used for decryption. Valid numbers are 0x00 and 0x01.	Buffer offset in 16-byte blocks from where the decryption is to start. Total data size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	The number of 16-byte blocks to be decrypted. This value has to be between 1 and 8.	

Table 4.9

The Decrypt Data command takes as arguments the Decryption Key Number (0x00 or 0x01), the Initialization Vector Number (0x00 or 0x01), the Data Buffer Offset (16-bytes) and the Data Length (16-bytes). This command decrypts the 'Data Length' number of 16-bytes blocks using the AES128 CBC decryption methodology. It operates only within the Data Buffer. This decryption method is shown in Figure 4.2.



Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode decryption

Figure 4.2



The Initialization Vector is used at the beginning to decrypt the first ciphertext. For each subsequent 16-byte block, instead of the Initialization Vector, the algorithm uses the ciphertext output of the previous 16-byte block decryption. The same AES Key is used for all blocks. When working with the Data Buffer during decryption the ciphertext is substituted with the corresponding plaintext.



4.2.10 Read Value (0x0A)

Command Number	0x0A			
Command Name	Read Value			
Valid Tag Types		Mifare	Classic	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01 0x02		0x03	
Argument Name	Block Address	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	The Block Address in the memory from which the value is to be read. The block has to be formatted as a value type block before reading.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the data read from the tag will be stored. Total read size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If bit 7 is zero, then it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	This optional parameter is only used when bit 6 of the immediately preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. If used, this key will be used as Key A if bit 7 of the preceding Authentication number is set or as Key B if not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.10

The Read Value command takes as arguments the address of the block where the value is stored (Block Address), the offset of the Data Buffer where the value and read address will be stored (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. This command has the same functionality as the Read Block command except it treats the block as a special Value type defined by the Mifare standard. It tries to parse the block content to this 4-byte signed value and to read a-byte address stored in last four bytes of the block. If read was successful, the value is stored in the Data Buffer at the pointed offset, with the address byte stored straight after the value. The value is stored as a signed 32-bit integer, with least significant byte first, and the address is stored as an unsigned 8-bit value.



4.2.11 Write Value (0x0B)

Command Number	0x0B				
Command Name	Write Value				
Valid Tag Types			Mifare Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x05	0x06	0x07
Argument Name	Block Address	Value	Stored Block Address	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x04	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory to where the value is to be written. The block will be formatted as a value type block after writing.	Signed 32-bit value that is to be written to the value block. The least significant byte is stored first.	8-bit unsigned value to be stored in the last 4 bytes of the block memory.	The 6 least significant bits (bits 0-5) define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 to be used to encrypt the data. If the most significant bit is set (bit 7), then the key will be used as Key B, if clear then the key will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the following argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in Authentication Key Number argument is set. This Key will be used as Key B if bit 7 in Authentication Key Number is set or as Key A if bit 7 is not set. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.11

The Write Value command takes as an argument the address of the block where to store the value (Block Address), the signed 32-bit integer value to be stored (Value), the block address value to store in the memory block (Stored Block Address), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. This command has the same functionality as the Write Block command, except that it treats the block as a special Value type as defined by the Mifare standard. It tries to format the block content to this 4-byte signed value together with the address on the last 4 bytes of the memory.



4.2.12 Increment Value (0x0C)

Command Number					
Command Name		Increment Value			
Valid Tag Types		Mifare	Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01 0x05		0x05	0x06	
Argument Name	Block Address	Delta Value	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x04	0x01	0x06	
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory from which the value is to be read and incremented Block has to be formatted as a value type block before reading.	Signed 32-bit number to be added to the value read from the tag block.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.	

Table 4.12

The Increment Value command is an operation on a value-type block as defined by the Mifare standard. It takes as arguments the block address where the value is stored (Block Address), the signed 32-bit integer number which will be added to the value (Delta Value), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. The command reads the value from the block to the volatile memory on the tag and increments it by the selected delta value. There is no further operation done. To store the value in the same or another block, the user must execute the Transfer Value command.



4.2.13 Decrement Value (0x0D)

Command Number	0x0D				
Command Name		Decrement Value			
Valid Tag Types		Mifare	Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01 0x05		0x05	0x06	
Argument Name	Block Address	Delta Value	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x04	0x01	0x06	
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory from which the value is to be read and incremented. Block has to be formatted as a value type block before reading.	Signed 32-bit number to be substracted from the value read from the tag block.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.	

Table 4.13

The Decrement Value command is an operation on a value-type block, as defined by the Mifare standard. It takes as arguments the block address where the value is stored (Block Address), the signed 32-bit integer number which will be subtracted from the value (Delta Value), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. The command reads the value from the block into the volatile memory on the tag and decrements it by the delta value. There is no further operation done. To store the value in the same or another block, the user must execute the Transfer Value command.


4.2.14 Restore Value (0x0E)

Command Number		0x0E	
Command Name		Restore Value	
Valid Tag Types		Mifare Classic	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02
Argument Name	Block Address	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory from which the value is to be read. The block has to be formatted as a value type block before reading.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.14

The Restore Value command is an operation on a value-type block, as defined by the Mifare standard. It takes as arguments the block address where the value is stored (Block Address), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. If the block is properly formatted, then the value from the block is copied to a volatile memory register on the tag. There is no further operation done. To store the value in the same or another block, the user must execute the Transfer Value command.



4.2.15 Transfer Value (0x0F)

Command Number	0x0F		
Command Name	Transfer Value		
Valid Tag Types		Mifare Classic	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02
Argument Name	Block Address	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x06
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory to which the value is to be transferred. The block is formatted as a value type block after execution of this command.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.

Table 4.15

The Transfer Value command is an operation on a value-type block as defined by the Mifare standard. It takes as arguments the block address of where to store the value (Block Address), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. The value from the volatile register on the tag is copied to the block. The block is formatted as a value-type block during this operation.



4.2.16 Recover Value (0x10)

Command Number		Ox	10		
Command Name		Recover Value			
Valid Tag Types		Mifare	Classic		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02	0x03	
Argument Name	Block Address	Data Buffer Offset	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x01	0x06	
Argument Description	Address of the block in the memory from which the value is to be read. The block must be formatted as a value type block before reading.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the data from the tag is to be stored. Total read size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.	

Table 4.16

The Recover Value command takes as arguments the address of the block where the value is stored (Block Address), the offset of the data buffer where the value and read address will be stored (Data Buffer Offset), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. This command has the same functionality as the Read Value command, except that it can be used on a block which is corrupted – it tries to recover data from a corrupted block. The format of a value-type block allows for some bits to be corrupted and it still be possible to read and recover the proper value. The 4-byte signed value followed by 1-byte address value is stored in the Data Buffer under the Data Buffer Offset index.



4.2.17 Get Version (0x11)

The Get Version command doesn't take any arguments. This command can be used with Mifare Ultralight EV1, NTAG213, NTAG215 and NTAG216 tags. After successful reading, the first 8 bytes in the data buffer are filled with data defined by the NXP standard. Example are shown in Table 4.17 (Mifare Ultralight EV1) and Table 4.18 (NTAG).

Byte No	Description	MF0UL11/MF0ULH11	MF0UL21/MF0ULH21	Interpretation
0	Fixed header	0x00	0x00	
1	Vendor ID	0x04	0x04	NXP Semiconductors
2	Product type	0x03	0x03	MIFARE Ultralight
3	Product subtype	0x01/0x02	0x01/0x02	17 pF / 50 pF
Major product		0.01	0v01	E\/1
4 version	0X01	0X01	EVI	
с	Minor product	0,00	0×00	VO
D	version 0x00		UXUU	VU
6	Storage size	0x0B	0x0E	
7 Prote	Protocoltype	0×03	0×03	ISO/IEC 14443-3
	rotocortype	0,05	0,05	compliant

Table 4.17

Byte No	Description	NTAG213	NTAG215	NTAG216	Interpretation
0	Fixed header	0x00	0x00	0x00	
1	Vendor ID	0x04	0x04	0x04	NXP Semiconductors
2	Product type	0x04	0x04	0x04	NTAG
3	Product subtype	0x02	0x02	0x02	50 pF
4	Major product version	0x01	0x01	0x01	1
5	Minor product version	0x00	0x00	0x00	VO
6	Storage size	0x0F	0x11	0x13	
7	Protocol type	0x03	0x03	0x03	ISO/IEC 14443-3 compliant

Table 4.18

Please refer to the NXP documentation for more information.



4.2.18 Read Signature (0x12)

The Read Signature command doesn't take any arguments. This command can be used with Mifare Ultralight EV1, NTAG213, NTAG215 and NTAG216 tags. After successful reading, the first 32 bytes in the data buffer are filled with the ECC signature defined by the NXP standard. Please refer to the NXP documentation for more information.

4.2.19 Configure UID (0x13)

Command Number		0x13			
Command Name		Configure UID			
Valid Tag Types		Some Mifare Classic			
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x01	0x02		
Argument Name	UID Type	Authentication Key Number	Authentication Key		
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x06		
Argument Description	UID Type configuration byte.	The 6 least significant bits define the Authentication Key Number from 0 to 39 that is to be used to read the data. If the most significant bit (bit 7) is set, then the key will be used as Key B. If it is zero it will be used as Key A. If bit 6 is set, then the key will be taken from the argument list (next 6 bytes).	Optional parameter used when bit 6 in the preceding Authentication Key Number argument is set. This key will be used as Key B if bit 7 of the Authentication Key Number is set, or as Key A if it is zero. The byte order is the least significant byte first.		

Table 4.19

The Configure UID command takes as arguments the UID configuration byte (UID Type), the Authentication Key Number and (optionally) the Authentication Key. This command changes the configuration of the UID on some Mifare Classic tags. The UID Type parameter is explained in Table 4.20.



UID Configuration Parameter Value	Description	
0x00	Anti-collision and selection with the double size UID.	
0.01	Anti-collision and selection with the double size UID and optional	
0x01	usage of a selection process shortcut.	
0x02	Anti-collision and selection with a single size random ID.	
0x03	Anti-collision and selection with a single size NUID where the NUID is calculated from the 7-byte UID.	

Table 4.20



4.2.20 Read Counter (0x14)

Command Number	0x14		
Command Name	Read Counter		
Valid Tag Types	Ultralight EV1, NTAG213, NTAG215, NTAG216, NTAG213F, NTAG216F		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01		
Argument Name	Counter Number	Data Buffer Offset	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01 0x01		
Argument Description	Counter number cannot exceed number of counters in the tag.	Buffer offset in bytes from where the counter value is to be stored. Total counter value size and the offset cannot exceed the data buffer length.	

Table 4.21

The Read Counter command takes as arguments the tag Counter Number and the Data Buffer Offset in bytes. This command reads the counter value of the counter pointed to by the Counter Number and stores it in the Data Buffer at the Data Buffer Offset index as an unsigned 24-bit integer with the least significant byte first.



4.2.21 Increment Counter (0x15)

Command Number	0x15		
Command Name	Increment Counter		
Valid Tag Types	Ultralight EV1		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01		
Argument Name	Counter Number	Increment Value	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01 0x03		
Argument Description	Counter number cannot exceed number of counters in the tag.	24-bit unsigned integer value which will be added to the counter value. Byte order is least significant byte first.	

Table 4.22

The Increment Counter command takes as arguments the tag Counter Number and the Increment Value to be added to the counter value. This command increments the counter value of the counter pointed to by the Counter Number. The Increment Value is a 24-bit unsigned number with the least significant byte first.



4.2.22 Check Tearing Event (0x16)

Command Number	0x16		
Command Name	Check Tearing Event		
Valid Tag Types	Ultralight EV1		
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00 0x01		
Argument Name	Counter Number	Data Buffer Offset	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01 0x01		
		Buffer offset in bytes	
	Counter number	where the check result	
Argument Description	cannot exceed number	will be stored. Offset	
	of counters in the tag.	cannot exceed the	
		buffer size.	

Table 4.23

The Check Tearing Event command takes as arguments the tag Counter Number and the Data Buffer Offset in bytes. This command checks whether there was a tearing event in the counter and stores the flag value in the Data Buffer at the Data Buffer Offset index. The value '0x00' is stored if there has been no tearing event, and '0x01' is stored if a tearing event occurred.



4.2.23 Password Authentication (0x17)

Command Number	0x17				
Command Name	[Password Authentication)		
Valid Tag Types	Ultralight EV1, NTAG210, NTAG212, NTAG213, NTAG215, NTAG216, NTAG213F, NTAG216F				
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x00 0x01 0x02			
Argument Name	Data Buffer Offset	Password Number	Password		
Argument Size [bytes]	0x01	0x01	0x04		
Argument Description	Buffer offset in bytes where the PACK result will be stored. Offset cannot exceed the buffer size.	The 6 least significant bytes define the Password Number for 0 to 39 that is to be used to authenticate. If the value is equal to 0x80 the password will be taken from next four bytes of the command parameters.	An Optional parameter to be used when the preceding password number is set to 0x80. The byte order is the least significant byte first.		

Table 4.24

The Password Authentication command takes as arguments the Data Buffer Offset where the PACK result will be stored, the Password Number and (optionally) the Password. This command tries to authenticate the tag using the chosen (pointed to) password. The 2-byte PACK result is stored in the Data Buffer under Data Buffer Offset index.



4.2.24 Halt (0x18)

The Halt command takes no arguments. It halts the tag and turns off the RF field. It must be executed at the end of each operation on a tag to disable the antenna and reduce the power consumption.

4.2.25 Calculate CRC (0x19)

Command Number	0x19			
Command Name	Calculate CRC			
Valid Tag Types	-			
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x02	0x04	
Argument Name	Memory Address	Data Length	Data Buffer Offset	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x02	0x02	0x01	
Argument Description	Byte address in the memory from which the CRC calculation is to start. This is an unsigned 16-bit value with least significant byte first.	Data length in bytes upon which the CRC is to be performed. This is an unsigned 16-bit value with least significant byte first.	Buffer offset in bytes where the CRC value is to be stored. The CRC value is 16-bit unsigned with least significant byte first.	

Table 4.25

The Calculate CRC command takes as arguments the Memory Address, the Data Length in bytes and the Data Buffer Offset. The CRC calculation starts at the byte pointed at by the memory address and is done on the 'Data Length' number of bytes in the volatile memory. The result is stored in the Data Buffer at the Data Buffer Offset index. The result is a 16-bit unsigned value with least significant byte first. The CRC calculation code is shown below.

static const uint16_t CCITTCRCTable [256] = { 0x0000, 0x1021, 0x2042, 0x3063, 0x4084, 0x50a5, 0x60c6, 0x70e7, 0x8108, 0x9129, 0xa14a, 0xb16b, 0xc18c, 0xd1ad, 0xe1ce, 0xf1ef, 0x1231, 0x0210, 0x3273, 0x2252, 0x52b5, 0x4294, 0x72f7, 0x62d6, 0x9339, 0x8318, 0xb37b, 0xa35a, 0xd3bd, 0xc39c, 0xf3ff, 0xe3de, 0x2462, 0x3443, 0x0420, 0x1401, 0x64e6, 0x74c7, 0x44a4, 0x5485, 0xa56a, 0xb54b, 0x8528, 0x9509, 0xe5ee, 0xf5cf, 0xc5ac, 0xd58d, 0x3653, 0x2672, 0x1611, 0x0630, 0x76d7, 0x66f6, 0x5695, 0x46b4, 0xb75b, 0xa77a, 0x9719, 0x8738, 0xf7df, 0xe7fe, 0xd79d, 0xc7bc, 0x48c4, 0x58e5, 0x6886, 0x78a7, 0x0840, 0x1861, 0x2802, 0x3823, 0xc9cc, 0xd9ed, 0xe98e, 0xf9af, 0x8948, 0x9969, 0xa90a, 0xb92b, 0x5af5, 0x4ad4, 0x7ab7, 0x6a96, 0x1a71, 0x0a50, 0x3a33, 0x2a12, 0xdbfd, 0xcbdc, Oxfbbf, Oxeb9e, Ox9b79, Ox8b58, Oxbb3b, Oxab1a, 0x6ca6, 0x7c87, 0x4ce4, 0x5cc5, 0x2c22, 0x3c03, 0x0c60, 0x1c41, 0xedae, 0xfd8f, 0xcdec, 0xddcd, 0xad2a, 0xbd0b, 0x8d68, 0x9d49, 0x7e97, 0x6eb6, 0x5ed5, 0x4ef4, 0x3e13, 0x2e32, 0x1e51, 0x0e70, Oxff9f, Oxefbe, Oxdfdd, Oxcffc, Oxbf1b, Oxaf3a, 0x9f59, 0x8f78, 0x9188, 0x81a9, 0xb1ca, 0xa1eb, 0xd10c, 0xc12d, 0xf14e, 0xe16f, 0x1080, 0x00a1, 0x30c2, 0x20e3, 0x5004, 0x4025, 0x7046, 0x6067, 0x83b9, 0x9398, 0xa3fb, 0xb3da, 0xc33d, 0xd31c, 0xe37f, 0xf35e, 0x02b1, 0x1290, 0x22f3, 0x32d2, 0x4235, 0x5214, 0x6277, 0x7256, 0xb5ea, 0xa5cb, 0x95a8, 0x8589, 0xf56e, 0xe54f, 0xd52c, 0xc50d, 0x34e2, 0x24c3, 0x14a0, 0x0481, 0x7466, 0x6447, 0x5424, 0x4405, 0xa7db, 0xb7fa, 0x8799, 0x97b8, 0xe75f, 0xf77e, 0xc71d, 0xd73c, 0x26d3, 0x36f2, 0x0691, 0x16b0, 0x6657, 0x7676, 0x4615, 0x5634, 0xd94c, 0xc96d, 0xf90e, 0xe92f, 0x99c8, 0x89e9, 0xb98a, 0xa9ab, 0x5844, 0x4865, 0x7806, 0x6827, 0x18c0, 0x08e1, 0x3882, 0x28a3, 0xcb7d, 0xdb5c, 0xeb3f, 0xfb1e, 0x8bf9, 0x9bd8, 0xabbb, 0xbb9a, 0x4a75, 0x5a54, 0x6a37, 0x7a16, 0x0af1, 0x1ad0, 0x2ab3, 0x3a92, 0xfd2e, 0xed0f, 0xdd6c, 0xcd4d, 0xbdaa, 0xad8b, 0x9de8, 0x8dc9, 0x7c26, 0x6c07, 0x5c64, 0x4c45, 0x3ca2, 0x2c83, 0x1ce0, 0x0cc1, Oxef1f, Oxff3e, Oxcf5d, Oxdf7c, Oxaf9b, Oxbfba, 0x8fd9, 0x9ff8, 0x6e17, 0x7e36, 0x4e55, 0x5e74, 0x2e93, 0x3eb2, 0x0ed1, 0x1ef0 };

```
static uint16_t GetCCITTCRC(const uint8_t* Data, uint32_t Size) {
    uint16_t CRC;
    uint16_t Temp;
    uint32_t Index;

if (Size == 0) {
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
CRC = 0xFFFF;
```

```
for (Index = 0; Index < Size; Index++){
Temp = (uint16_t)( (CRC >> 8) ^ Data[Index] ) & 0x00FF;
```



```
CRC = CCITTCRCTable[Temp] ^ (CRC << 8);
}
```

return CRC;

}

4.2.26 Copy Data (0x1A)

Command Number		0x1A				
Command Name	Copy Data					
Valid Tag Types	-					
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	0x02	0x02			
Argument Name	Destination Address	Source Address	Data Length			
Argument Size [bytes]	0x02	0x02	0x02			
	The address in the	The address in the				
Argument Description	memory to where the data is to be copied.	memory from where	Size of the copied data			
Argument Description		the data is to be	in bytes.			
		copied.				

Table 4.26

The Copy Data command copies data around inside the RFID Module memory. This command takes as arguments the Destination Address, the Source Address and the Data Length in bytes.

4.2.27 Unlock (0x1B)

Command Number	Ox1B	
Command Name	Unlock	
Valid Tag Types	-	
Argument Offset [bytes]	0x00	
Argument Name	Password	
Argument Size [bytes]	0x08	
	8-byte long password	
Argument Description	with the least	
	significant byte first.	

Table 4.27



The Unlock command takes as an argument an 8-bytes long password. If the password matches the actual password in the module the memory which contains:

- AES Initialization Vectors
- AES Encryption Keys
- Authentication Keys and Passwords
- User Memory
- Password

will be unlocked and made accessible for read and write operations.

4.2.28 Lock (0x1C)

This Function takes no arguments. If the device is unlocked and the user executes the Lock command, protected memory which contains:

- AES Initialization Vectors
- AES Encryption Keys
- Authentication Keys and Passwords
- User Memory
- Password

will be saved to non-volatile memory and locked (direct access will be blocked).

4.2.29 Get Module Version (0x1D)

The Get Module Version command takes no arguments. After execution, the Data Buffer at index 0x00 is filled with a NULL-ended ASCII string which describes the hardware and firmware version of the module.

4.2.30 Reset to Default (0x1E)

The Reset to Default command doesn't take any arguments. It resets all memory including protected memory to factory default settings. All locked information is lost.



4.3 Power Down Mode

The Power Down functionality is provided via the nPWRDN pin. This pin is configured as an input without any pull-up or pull-down resistors, thus it must be driven by the user. For normal operation, this pin should be connected to VCC or driven high. After the user drives this pin low the system prepares to go into Power Down Mode and drives nBUSY line low just before entering this state. To wake up module the nPWRDN pin must be driven high. The module will restart and drive the nBUSY line low to inform the user that it is starting the system again. When start-up is completed, the nBUSY line is driven high. During the restart, none of the volatile memory content is retained.

The reaction time of the system will vary depending upon the active configuration and the following:

- Communication if the line is pulled low whilst there is ongoing communication, then the Power Manager will wait until communication is finished before going into the Power Down state.
- Command execution if the line is pulled low whilst the system is executing a command, then the Power Manager will wait until command execution is finished before going into the Power Down state.

When the module is in the Power Down state, all systems are turned-off and all IOs are in a high impedance state. The module won't respond to any signals or communication coming from outside.

4.4 Memory Locking

The module has an option to lock its memory using an 8-byte long password. The default state of the module after power-up is locked and the default password is all bytes equal to 0x00. The user cannot see the memory content when the module is locked, and any write to the memory will be discarded. During the unlock procedure, the content of the non-volatile memory is copied to the volatile memory and is available for reading and writing. Changes made in volatile memory are updated in non-volatile memory during the lock procedure. Commands using data from this memory range use the volatile memory when the module is unlocked and non-volatile memory when the module is locked



5 Communication Interface

5.1 I2C Bus

The RFID A1 Module provides a I2C slave bus. The advantages of the I2C are that it requires only two lines to communicate and that multiple devices can be connected to the 2-wire same bus.

The implementation of I2C in the module complies with the 7-bit addressing I2C standard, thus the timing diagrams for bit and frame representation will be omitted in this document. Each transmission on the I2C line begins with an I2C START condition and ends with an I2C STOP condition. In between these events there could be as many repeated STARTs as the user wants. The behaviour of the nBUSY line is the same for all buses, thus as well for I2C. The module starts processing the command after receiving a stop condition on I2C bus.

5.1.1 I2C Address Construction

After reset or power-up when the module starts, it samples three IO lines (I2C AD0, I2C AD1 and I2C AD2) to construct the I2C address to which it will respond. Thanks to this solution there is the possibility to connect to eight such modules on one I2C bus. Byte wise the address sent on the I2C bus after START is constructed as follows:

Bit number	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Value	0	1	0	0	Sampled from AD2	Sampled from AD1	Sampled from AD0	-
Туре	Address bit 6	Address bit 5	Address bit 4	Address bit 3	Address bit 2	Address bit 1	Address bit 0	Read / Write bit

Table 5.1

5.1.2 Writing to the memory

Writing to the RFID A1 Module memory via the I2C bus is very similar to other memory type devices. A typical transmission for writing to the registers is shown below in Table 5.2.

Byte number	1	2	3	4	3+n
Value	I2C Address + 0x00	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF
Туре	START + I2C address + Write	Address LSByte	Address MSByte	Data Byte 1	 Data Byte n + STOP

Table 5.2

The master must initiate the transmission on the I2C bus by sending a START condition followed by the I2C address of the slave device with R/W byte set to 0. The second and third byte sent by the master will set up the address index under which the data will be stored. Starting from the fourth byte the data will be stored under the passed address value and the memory index will be automatically increased by one each time. When the RFID A1 module recognizes its I2C address it drives the nBUSY line low to inform the master that it is receiving the data.

5.1.3 Reading from the memory

The master can read from the module in two possible ways presented below in Table 5.3 and Table 5.4.

Byte number	1	2	3	4	5	5 + n
Value	I2C Address + 0x00	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF	I2C Address + 0x01	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF
Туре	START + I2C address + Write	Address LSByte	Address MSByte	START + I2C address + Read	Data Byte 1	 Data Byte n + STOP

Table 5.3

Byte number	1	2	2 + n
Value	I2C Address + 0x01	0x00 - 0xFF	0x00 - 0xFF
Туре	START + I2C	Data Duta 1	
	address + Read	Dala Byle I	 Data Byte N + STOP

Table 5.4

As shown in Table 5.3, to read from a certain address the master first must write the address index by sending a START condition followed by the I2C address to be written and two bytes representing the index. Later and without sending a STOP condition the master must send a repeated START signal, this time followed by the I2C address to be read. Bytes after the I2C read address will be transmitted from the module and will contain memory data starting from the address index set up by the master at the beginning of the transmission. The index is automatically increased and stored between transmissions. If the user wants to continue reading data starting from the index value left since last transmission, he can use the simplified version of the transmission shown in Table 5.4.



6 Mechanical

6.1 Dimensions



Drawing 1



7 Labels

7.1 Material

Labels are made from B-423. During the printing process R6000H printer ribbon is used. Both <u>materials are</u> supplied by BRADY company.

7.2 Placement

Labels placement is shown in Picture 7-1. Space inside rectangle number one is designated for Identification Label. Space inside rectangle number two is designated for Control Label. Labels are described in Project Specification.



Picture 7-1

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8 Project Specification

The product was made per the specification described in this chapter.

8.1 Brief

The *BioRad RFID Reader v2* project is a continuation and expansion of the *BioRad A1-PC1 v1.2* prototype project which was delivered to the client and tested with positive results. The board was supplied with a *RFID A1-1.107* module and *RFID A1-1 v2.0.1460* firmware version. A PCB visualisation of the prototype is shown in Picture 8-1 and Picture 8-2. The new RFID Reader project will introduce slight changes to the *A1-PC1* prototype. The A1 module components will be placed directly on the main board. PCB layout will be redesigned to match the FCC and other regional requirements.

This document was created based on the information contained in emails from Bio-Rad.





Picture 8-1 Top View



Picture 8-2 Bottom View

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8.2 Definitions

8.2.1 'Shall'

'Shall' is used to indicate an absolute requirement that is contractually binding, meaning it must be implemented and its implementation verified. If a statement does not contain the word "shall" it is not an essential requirement. The business agreement and payment is dependent upon meeting all these requirements.

8.2.2 'Shall not'

'Shall not' is used to indicate an absolute prohibition of the requirement that is contractually binding, meaning it must not be implemented, and this has to be verified. If a statement does not contain the words "shall not", it is not an obligatory prohibition. The business agreement and payment is dependent upon meeting all these prohibitions.

8.2.3 'Should' and 'is recommended'

'Should' and 'is recommended' are used to indicate non-mandatory provisions. It means that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances to ignore a particular item, but the full implications must be understood and carefully weighed before choosing a different course. The business agreement and payment is not dependent upon meeting items described in such way.

8.2.4 'Should not' and 'Not recommended'

'Should' and 'not recommended' are used to indicate non-mandatory prohibitions. It means that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances when the particular item is acceptable or even useful, but the full implications should be understood and the case carefully weighed before implementing any item described with this label. The business agreement and payment is not dependent upon meeting items described in such a way.

8.2.5 'May'

This word, or the adjective "OPTIONAL", mean that an item is truly optional.

8.3 Requirements

8.4 Design

8.4.1 Functional

[R1-1] The RFID Reader shall provide the same functionality as the prototype based on *RFID A1-1 v2.0.1460* firmware.

8.4.2 Electrical

[R2-1] The RFID Reader shall provide ESD protection on the I2C Data and I2C Clock lines.

[R2-2] The RFID Reader shall provide power supply, ground, I2C Data and I2C Clock signals via Molex 70553-0038 connector.

[R2-3] The RFID Reader shall have 4.7 k Ω pull-up resistors on I2C Data and I2C Clock lines.

[R2-4] The RFID Reader pinout on the connector shall be as follows:

- 1. I2C Data
- 2. +3V3 Vcc
- 3. Ground
- 4. I2C Clock

[R2-5] The RFID Reader shall work with a power supply of 3.3V ±0.1V capable of sourcing at least 200mA.

8.4.3 Interface

[R3-1] The RFID Reader shall provide an I2C interface with 7-bit address 0x20.

[R3-2] The RFID Reader shall provide an interface which is the same as the interface of the prototype based on *RFID A1-1 v2.0.1460* firmware.

8.4.4 Performance



[R4-1] The antenna reading range to a 15 mm x 30 mm RFID NTAG label shall cover any separation distance between 0 mm and 20 mm in open air. The reading distance is understood as the distance between parallel surfaces of the antenna and the tag when their position is aligned to the centre.



8.4.5 Regulatory Approvals

[R5-1] Devices shall meet the following regulatory approvals:

- FCC part 15C
- RSS210 (Canada)
- Radio (EN300 330-1v1.6.1 & EN300 330-2v1.8.1)
- Basic Safety Assessment (BSA) EN60950-1:2006, A1, A11, A2, A12

8.5 Manufacturing

8.5.1 PCB

- [R6-1] The PCB shall be compliant with UL94VO standard and have printed UL logo.
- [R6-2] The PCB shall have printed a PCB manufacturer logo.
- [R6-3] The PCB shall have printed a UL file number and the type of board.

An example of R6-1, R6-2 and R6-3 is shown in Picture 8-3.



Picture 8-3

- [R6-4] The PCB shall be compliant with RoHS directive 2011/65/UE.
- [R6-5] The PCB shall be made from the FR-4 material.
- [R6-6] The PCB shall have four copper layers.
- [R6-7] The PCB copper thickness shall be 1 oz.
- [R6-8] The PCB thickness shall be 1.6 ±0.1 mm.



- [R6-9] The PCB finish shall be Ni / Au.
- [R6-10] The Solder mask shall be green in colour.
- [R6-11] The Silkscreen shall be white in colour.
- [R6-12] The PCB dimensions and antenna placement shall be as shown in Picture 8-4.



Picture 8-4



8.5.2 Manufacturing Components and Materials

[R7-1] All manufacturing components and materials used in the production process shall be compliant with RoHS directive 2011/65/UE.

[R7-2] All manufacturing boards shall be conformally coated with 'Aromatic Free Acrylic (AFA)' electro lube except:

- 13 mm x 15 mm rectangle [1] on the connector J1 shown in Picture 8-5.
- 10 mm x 8 mm rectangle [2] on the connectors J2 and J5 shown in Picture 8-5.
- 5 mm diameter four circles [3] shown in Picture 8-5.
- 10 mm x 8 mm rectangle [1] on the connectors J2 and J5 shown in Picture 8-6.
- 5 mm diameter four circles [2] shown in Picture 8-6.

[R7-3] All PCBs shall be conformally coated in such way they won't add size to its height and length. They may contain a not coated margin < 2mm around the edge for this purpose.





Picture 8-5 Top View

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Picture 8-6 Bottom View



8.5.3 Labelling

[R8-1] The board after mounting components shall be delivered with an Identification Label which contains following information, all in capital letters (Picture 5-5):

- The name 'BIORAD RFID READER V2.0.16' in the first line.
- The FCC ID in the second line.
- The IC number in the third line
- The Serial Number in the fourth line.
- The manufacturing date in the fifth line formatted as 'YYYY/MM/DD'.
- The data matrix code at the end containing all the above information.

[R8-2] The Serial Number shall be formatted as a six-digit number starting from 000001.

[R8-3] The Identification Label shall be 30 mm high and 26 mm wide.

[R8-4] The board after mounting components shall be delivered with Control Label containing four same boxes with a letter printed in ARIAL 12 BOLD font:

- 'V' for manual visual inspection.
- 'A' for Automate Optical Inspection (AOI).
- 'F' for functional testing and control.
- 'P' for programming of all programmable components of the board per programming specification.

[R8-5] Control Label shall be 10 mm in height and 15 mm in width.

[R8-6] Control boxes on the Control Label shall be ticked (marked) during the manufacturing control procedure with a permanent (indelible) pen.

[R8-7] If the manufactured devices pass manual visual inspection, then the 'V' control box on the Control Label shall be ticked (marked) in a visible way.

[R8-8] If the manufactured device passes functional testing, then the 'F' control box on the Control Label shall be ticked (marked) in a visible way.

[R8-9] After manufactured devices are programmed with the appropriate firmware, the 'P' control box on the Control Label shall be ticked (marked) in a visible way.

[R8-10] When a manufactured device has passed AOI, the 'A' control box on the Control Label shall be ticked (marked) in a visible way.

[R8-11] Labels shall be placed as shown in Picture 8-6 where space inside rectangle number one is designated for the Identification Label and space inside rectangle number two is designated for the Control Label.



Picture 8-5



Picture 8-6

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8.5.4 Testing

- [R9-1] All PCBs shall be electrically tested per the IPC-9251 specification.
- [R9-2] All PCBs shall have AOI up to the quality level which is defined by the Manufacturer's AOI testing equipment.
- [R9-3] At least 4% of the PCBs should have a manual visual inspection.
- [R9-4] All devices shall have undergone functional testing defined by Eccel and described in a separate document.

8.5.5 Documentation

[R10-1] The hardware version of the PCB shall be 'BioRad RFID Reader v2.0' which is read as BioRad RFID Reader version 2 revision 0.

[R10-2] The firmware version used for programming shall be 'RFID A1-1 v2.1' which is read as RFID A1-1 version 2 revision 1.

8.5.6 Packaging and Delivery

[R11-1] Each PCB shall be dismantled and deburred.

[R11-2] Each PCB shall be individually packaged in a way that each package will be:

- Sealed.
- Providing antistatic shielding in the way that the packaged product can be carried outside ESD Protected Areas.
- [R11-3] Each batch shall be delivered with a certificate of quality control.
- [R11-4] Each batch shall be delivered with a certificate of RoHS conformity.
- [R11-5] Each PCB shall be delivered without accessories of automatic mounting of components.
- [R11-6] Each PCB shall have all technical edges removed.
- [R11-7] The PCB shall not be delivered in a panel.

8.5.7 Programming

[R12-1] Each PCB shall be programmed with firmware pointed in chapter 8.5.5.
9 Compliance

- A. The end equipment that uses this RFID reader module should be tested in its fully operational form to see that it does not exceed the Transmitter RF emissions permitted by the FCC regulations.
- B. The Host device must be affixed with a permanent label that is clearly visible and states the following: "Contains FCC ID: 2ALHYBIORADRDR0200. Contains IC: 22592-BIORADRDR02". Please see FCC KDB 784748 D01 Labelling Part 15 & 18 Guidelines v08 section 8 and RSP-100 Issue 11 section 3.2 for further details on labelling requirements.
- C. The AC powerline conducted emissions test should be performed with the RFID reader module in operation in its host product if that host product connects to the AC powerline.
- D. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by Eccel Technology Ltd could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.
- E. This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and Industry Canada licence exempt RSS standard(s). 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.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes :

1. l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et

2. l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.