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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Scope

Scope of this document is to give a description of some hardware solutions useful for developing a product with the Telit ME910C1 module.

1.2. Audience

This document is intended for Telit customers, who are integrators, about to implement their applications using our ME910C1 modules.

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1.4. Text Conventions



Danger – This information MUST be followed or catastrophic equipment failure or bodily injury may occur.



Caution or Warning – Alerts the user to important points about integrating the module, if these points are not followed, the module and end user equipment may fail or malfunction.



Tip or Information – Provides advice and suggestions that may be useful when integrating the module.

All dates are in ISO 8601 format, i.e. YYYY-MM-DD.

1.5. Related Documents

- Telit_xE910_Global_Form_Factor_Application_Note_r13
- Telit_Modem_Integration_Design_Guide_r0
- SIM Holder Design Guides, 80000NT10001a



2. OVERVIEW

The aim of this document is the description of some hardware solutions useful for developing a product with the Telit ME910C1 module. In this document all the basic functions of a m2m module will be taken into account; for each one of them a proper hardware solution will be suggested and eventually the wrong solutions and common errors to be avoided will be evidenced. Obviously this document cannot embrace the whole hardware solutions and products that may be designed. The wrong solutions to be avoided shall be considered as mandatory, while the suggested hardware configurations shall not be considered mandatory, instead the information given shall be used as a guide and a starting point for properly developing your product with the Telit ME910C1 module. For further hardware details that may not be explained in this document refer to the Telit ME910C1 Product Description document where all the hardware information is reported.



NOTE:

- (EN) The integration of the ME910C1 cellular module within user application shall be done according to the design rules described in this manual.
- (IT) L'integrazione del modulo cellulare ME910C1 all'interno dell'applicazione dell'utente dovrà rispettare le indicazioni progettuali descritte in questo manuale.
- (DE) Die Integration des ME910C1 Mobilfunk-Moduls in ein Gerät muß gemäß der in diesem Dokument beschriebenen Kunstruktionsregeln erfolgen.
- (SL) Integracija ME910C1 modula v uporabniški aplikaciji bo morala upoštevati projektna navodila, opisana v tem priročniku.
- (SP) La utilización del modulo ME910C1 debe ser conforme a los usos para los cuales ha sido deseñado descritos en este manual del usuario.
- (FR) L'intégration du module cellulaire ME910C1 dans l'application de l'utilisateur sera faite selon les règles de conception décrites dans ce manuel.
- (HE) האינטגרטור מתבקש ליישם את ההנחיות המפורטות במסמך זה בתהליך האינטגרציה של המודם הסלולרי (HE) ME910C1

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3. PINS ALLOCATION

3.1. Pin-out

| Pin | Signal | I/O | Function | Type | Comment |
|----------|---------------------|----------|---|-----------|---------|
| USB HS | | | | | |
| B15 | USB_D+ | I/O | USB differential Data (+) | | |
| C15 | USB_D- | I/O | USB differential Data (-) | | |
| A13 | VUSB | I | Power sense for the internal USB transceiver. | | |
| Asynchro | onous Serial Port (| USIF0) - | Prog. / Data + HW Flow Con | trol | |
| N15 | C103/TXD | 1 | Serial data input from DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| M15 | C104/RXD | 0 | Serial data output to DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| M14 | C108/DTR | 1 | Input for (DTR) from DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| L14 | C105/RTS | I | Input for Request to send signal (RTS) from DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| P15 | C106/CTS | Ο | Output for Clear to Send signal (CTS) to DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| N14 | C109/DCD | Ο | Output for (DCD) to DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| P14 | C107/DSR | Ο | Output for (DSR) to DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |
| R14 | C125/RING | Ο | Output for Ring (RI) to DTE | CMOS 1.8V | |



| SIM Car | d Interface | | | | |
|-----------|--------------------|---------|---|-----------|--------------------------|
| A6 | SIMCLK | 0 | External SIM signal – Clock | 1.8 / 3V | |
| A7 | SIMRST | 0 | External SIM signal – Reset | 1.8 / 3V | |
| A5 | SIMIO | I/O | External SIM signal – Data I/O | 1.8 / 3V | |
| A4 | SIMIN | I | External SIM signal – Presence (active low) | CMOS 1.8 | Internal pullup (47K) |
| A3 | SIMVCC | - | External SIM signal – Power supply for the SIM | 1.8 / 3V | |
| Digital V | oice Interface (D\ | /I) | | | |
| В9 | DVI_WA0 | I/ O | Digital Audio Interface (WA0) | 1.8V | |
| B6 | DVI_RX | I | Digital Audio Interface (RX) | 1.8V | |
| В7 | DVI_TX | I/ O | Digital Audio Interface (TX) | 1.8V | |
| В8 | DVI_CLK | I/ O | Digital Audio Interface (CLK) | 1.8V | |
| SPI | | | | | |
| D15 | SPI_MOSI | 1 | SPI MOSI | CMOS 1.8V | |
| E15 | SPI_MISO | Ο | SPI_MISO | CMOS 1.8V | |
| F15 | SPI_CLK | I | SPI Clock | CMOS 1.8V | |



| DIGITAL | _ 10 | | | | |
|------------|---------|-----|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| C8 | GPIO_01 | I/O | GPIO_01 /STAT LED | CMOS 1.8V | STAT LED is alternate function |
| C9 | GPIO_02 | I/O | GPIO_02 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| C10 | GPIO_03 | I/O | GPIO_03 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| C11 | GPIO_04 | I/O | GPIO_04 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| B14 | GPIO_05 | I/O | GPIO_05 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| C12 | GPIO_06 | I/O | GPIO_06 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| C13 | GPIO_07 | I/O | GPIO_07 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| K15 | GPIO_08 | I/O | GPIO_08 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| L15 | GPIO_09 | I/O | GPIO_09 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| G15 | GPIO_10 | I/O | GPIO_10 | CMOS 1.8V | |
| RF SECTION | | | | | |
| K1 | ANTENNA | I/O | LTE Antenna (50 ohm) | RF | |



| GNSS | Section | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|------|---|-----------|------------|
| R9 | ANT_GNSS | I | GNSS Antenna (50 ohm) | RF | |
| R7 | GNSS_LNA_ENA | 0 | External GNSS LNA Enable | CMOS 1.8V | |
| Misce | llaneous Functions | | | | |
| R13 | HW_SHUTDOWN* | 1.8V | Active low | | |
| R12 | ON_OFF* | I | Input command for power ON | 1.8V | Active low |
| R11 | VAUX/PWRMON | 0 | Supply Output for external accessories / Power ON Monitor | 1.8V | |
| Power | Supply | | | | |
| M1 | VBATT | - | Main power supply (Baseband) | Power | |
| M2 | VBATT | - | Main power supply (Baseband) | Power | |
| N1 | VBATT_PA | - | Main power supply (Radio PA) | Power | |
| N2 | VBATT_PA | - | Main power supply (Radio PA) | Power | |
| P1 | VBATT_PA | - | Main power supply (Radio PA) | Power | |
| P2 | VBATT_PA | - | Main power supply (Radio PA) | Power | |
| E1 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| G1 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| H1 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| J1 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| L1 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| A2 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| E2 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
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| F2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
|-----|-----|---|--------|-------|
| G2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| H2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| J2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| K2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| L2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R2 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| М3 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| N3 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P3 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R3 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| D4 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| M4 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| N4 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P4 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R4 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| N5 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P5 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R5 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| N6 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P6 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R6 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P8 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R8 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P9 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| P10 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| R10 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| M12 | GND | - | Ground | Power |
| | | | | |



| B13 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
|-------------|----------|---|----------|------------|---|
| P13 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| E14 | GND | - | Ground | Power | |
| RESE | RVED | | | | |
| C1 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| D1 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| F1 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| B2 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C2 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| D2 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| В3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| D3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| E3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| F3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| G3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| K3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| L3 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| B4 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C4 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| B5 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C5 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C6 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| C 7 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| N7 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| P7 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| N8 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| N9 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED | | |
| 4) // /0004 | 054.5 | | D 47 604 | 2047.07.44 | _ |



| A10 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
|-----|----------|---|----------|
| N10 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| N11 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| P11 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| B12 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| D12 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| N12 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| P12 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| F14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| G14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| H14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| J14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| K14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| N13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| L13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| J13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| M13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| K13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| H13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| G13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| F13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| B11 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| B10 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| A9 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| A8 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| E13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| D13 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| D14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |



| A14 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
|-----|----------|---|----------|
| A12 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| A11 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| H15 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |
| J15 | RESERVED | - | RESERVED |



WARNING:

Reserved pins must not be connected.



3.2. LGA Pads Layout

TOP VIEW

| | А | В | С | D | E | F | G | Н | J | К | L | М | N | Р | R | |
|----|------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|-----|-----|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|--|
| 1 | | ADC_IN1 | RES | RES | GND | RES | GND | GND | GND | ANT | GND | VBATT | VBATT_ PA | VBATT_ PA | | |
| 2 | GND | RES | RES | RES | GND | GND | GND | GND | GND | GND | GND | VBATT | VBATT_ PA | VBATT_ PA | GND | |
| 3 | SIMVC C | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | GND | GND | GND | GND | |
| 4 | SIMIN | RES | RES | GND | | | | | | | | GND | GND | GND | GND | |
| 5 | SIMIO | RES | RES | | | | | | | | | | GND | GND | GND | |
| 6 | SIMCLK | DVI_RX | RES | | | | | | | | | | GND | GND | GND | |
| 7 | SIMRS T | DVI_TX | RES | | | | | | | | | | RES | RES | GNSS_L NA_EN | |
| 8 | RES | DVI_CLK | GPIO_01 | | | | | | | | | | RES | GND | GND | |
| 9 | RES | DVI_WA | GPIO_02 | | | | | | | | | | RES | GND | ANT_GN SS | |
| 10 | RES | RES | GPIO_03 | | | | | | | | | | RES | GND | GND | |
| 11 | RES | RES | GPIO_04 | | | | | | | | | | RES | RES | VAUX/P WRMON | |
| 12 | RES | RES | GPIO_06 | RES | | | | | | | | GND | RES | RES | ON_OFF | |
| 13 | VUSB | GND | GPIO_07 | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | GND | HW_SH UTDOW N* | |
| 14 | RES | GPIO_05 | RES | RES | GND | RES | RES | RES | RES | RES | C105/RT S | C108/DT R | C109/DC D | C107/DS R | C125/RI NG | |
| 15 | | USB_D+ | USB_D- | TX AUX | RX AUX | SPI_CLK | GPIO_10 | RES | RES | GPIO_08 | GPIO_09 | C104/RX D | C103/TX D | C106/CT S | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



4. POWER SUPPLY

The power supply circuitry and board layout are a very important part in the full product design and they strongly reflect on the product overall performances, hence read carefully the requirements and the guidelines that will follow for a proper design.

4.1. Power Supply Requirements

The external power supply must be connected to VBATT & VBATT_PA signals and must fulfil the following requirements:

| Power Supply | Value | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Nominal Supply Voltage | 3.8V | |
| Normal Operating Voltage Range | 3.40 V÷ 4.20 V | |
| Extended Operating Voltage Range | 3.10 V÷ 4.50 V | |





NOTE:

The Operating Voltage Range MUST never be exceeded; care must be taken when designing the application's power supply section to avoid having an excessive voltage drop. If the voltage drop is exceeding the limits it could cause a Power Off of the module.

The Power supply must be higher than 3.10 V to power on the module.

Overshoot voltage (regarding MAX Extended Operating Voltage) and drop in voltage (regarding MIN Extended Operating Voltage) MUST never be exceeded; The "Extended Operating Voltage Range" can be used only with completely assumption and application of the HW User guide suggestions.



4.2. Power Consumption*

| Mode | Average (mA) | Mode Description |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| Switched off | 0.007mA | Module supplied but switched off |
| IDLE mode | | |
| AT+CFUN=1 | 11.80 mA | Normal mode: full functionality of the module |
| AT+CFUN=4 | 11.80 mA | Disabled TX and RX; module is not registered on the network |
| AT+CFUN=5 | 1.20 mA | 2.56 secs DRx cycle |
| | 0.90 mA | 81.92 secs DRx cycle |
| | 11.80mA | RRC_CONNECTED (10.24 secs C-DRX) |
| | 0.70 mA | RRC_IDLE (43.69 minutes I-DRx cycle) |
| | | |
| Operative Mode | | |
| LTE Data call | 130mA | Channel BW 10MHz, RB=1, TX=0dBm |
| | 145mA | Channel BW 10MHz, RB=1, TX=20dBm |
| | 190mA | Channel BW 10MHz, RB=1, TX=23dBm |
| PSM Mode | | |
| AT#PSM=1 | 0.007mA | No current drain from PSM pins |
| GPS | | |
| GNSS | 29.00 mA | GNSS Standalone 1Hz Tracking (Non-Dpo) |

*Preliminary data



NOTE: The electrical design for the Power supply should be made ensuring it will be capable of a peak current output of at least:

0.8 A for LTE mode (3.80V supply).





NOTE: The reported values are an average among all the product variants and bands for each network wireless technology.

The support of specific network wireless technology depends on product variant configuration.

4.3. General Design Rules

The principal guidelines for the Power Supply Design embrace three different design steps:

- the electrical design
- the thermal design the PCB layout.

4.3.1. Electrical Design Guidelines

The electrical design of the power supply depends strongly from the power source where this power is drained. We will distinguish them into three categories:

- +5V input (typically PC internal regulator output)
- +12V input (typically automotive)
- Battery

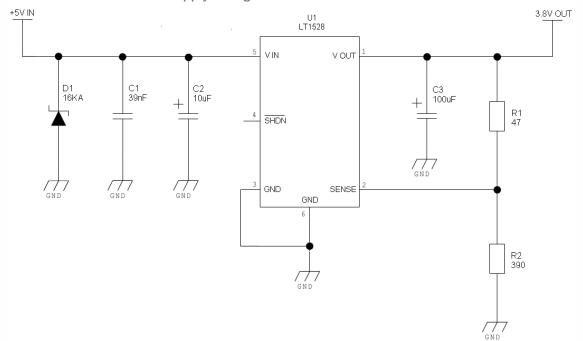
4.3.1.1. +5V Source Power Supply Design Guidelines

- The desired output for the power supply is 3.8V, hence there's not a big difference between the input source and the desired output and a linear regulator can be used.
 A switching power supply will not be suited because of the low drop out requirements.
- When using a linear regulator, a proper heat sink shall be provided in order to dissipate the power generated.
- A Bypass low ESR capacitor of adequate capacity must be provided in order to cut the current absorption peaks close to the Module, a 100μF capacitor is usually suited.
- Make sure the low ESR capacitor on the power supply output rated at least 10V.



An example of linear regulator with 5V input is:

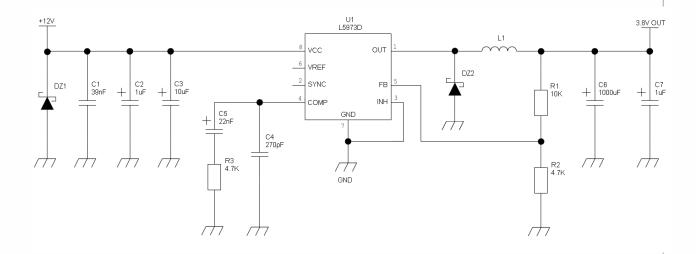
4.3.1.2. +12V Source Power Supply Design Guidelines



- The desired output for the power supply is 3.8V, hence due to the big difference between the input source and the desired output, a linear regulator is not suited and shall not be used. A switching power supply will be preferable because of its better efficiency.
- When using a switching regulator, a 500kHz or more switching frequency regulator is preferable because of its smaller inductor size and its faster transient response.
 This allows the regulator to respond quickly to the current peaks absorption.
- In any case the frequency and Switching design selection is related to the application to be developed due to the fact the switching frequency could also generate EMC interferences.
- For car PB battery the input voltage can rise up to 15,8V and this should be kept in mind when choosing components: all components in the power supply must withstand this voltage.
- A Bypass low ESR capacitor of adequate capacity must be provided in order to cut the current absorption peaks, a 100µF capacitor is usually suited.
- Make sure the low ESR capacitor on the power supply output is rated at least 10V.
- For Car applications a spike protection diode should be inserted close to the power input, in order to clean the supply from spikes.



An example of switching regulator with 12V input is in the below schematic:



4.3.1.3. Battery Source Power Supply Design Guidelines

The desired nominal output for the power supply is 3.8V and the maximum voltage allowed is 4.2V, hence a single 3.7V Li-lon cell battery type is suited for supplying the power to the Telit ME910C1 module.

- A Bypass low ESR capacitor of adequate capacity must be provided in order to cut the current absorption peaks, a 100µF tantalum capacitor is usually suited.
- Make sure the low ESR capacitor (usually a tantalum one) is rated at least 10V.
- A protection diode should be inserted close to the power input, in order to save the ME910C1 from power polarity inversion. Otherwise the battery connector should be done in a way to avoid polarity inversions when connecting the battery.
- The battery must be rated to supply peaks of current up to 0.8 A for LTE.





NOTE:

DON'T USE any Ni-Cd, Ni-MH, and Pb battery types directly connected with ME910C1. Their use can lead to overvoltage on the ME910C1 and damage it. USE ONLY Li-Ion battery types.

4.3.2. Thermal Design Guidelines

Worst case as reference values for thermal design of ME910C1 are:

Average current consumption: 800 mA

Supply voltage: 3.80V



NOTE:

Make PCB design in order to have the best connection of GND pads to large surfaces.



NOTE:

The ME910C1 includes a function to prevent overheating.

4.3.3. Power Supply PCB layout Guidelines

As seen on the electrical design guidelines the power supply shall have a low ESR capacitor on the output to cut the current peaks on the input to protect the supply from spikes The placement of this component is crucial for the correct working of the circuitry.

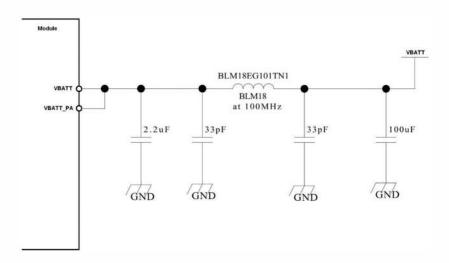


A misplaced component can be useless or can even decrease the power supply performances.

- The Bypass low ESR capacitor must be placed close to the Telit ME910C1 power input pads or in the case the power supply is a switching type it can be placed close to the inductor to cut the ripple provided the PCB trace from the capacitor to the ME910C1 is wide enough to ensure a dropless connection even during an 0.8 A current peak.
- The protection diode must be placed close to the input connector where the power source is drained.
- The PCB traces from the input connector to the power regulator IC must be wide enough to ensure no voltage drops occur when an 2 A current peak is absorbed (worst case of GSM mode).
- The PCB traces to the ME910C1 and the Bypass capacitor must be wide enough to
 ensure no significant voltage drops occur. This is for the same reason as previous
 point. Try to keep this trace as short as possible.
- To reduce the EMI due to switching, it is important to keep very small the mesh involved; thus the input capacitor, the output diode (if not embodied in the IC) and the regulator have to form a very small loop. This is done in order to reduce the radiated field (noise) at the switching frequency (100-500 kHz usually).
- A dedicated ground for the Switching regulator separated by the common ground plane is suggested.
- The placement of the power supply on the board should be done in such a way to guarantee that the high current return paths in the ground plane are not overlapped to any noise sensitive circuitry as the microphone amplifier/buffer or earphone amplifier.
- The power supply input cables should be kept separate from noise sensitive lines such as microphone/earphone cables.



- The insertion of EMI filter on VBATT pins is suggested in those designs where antenna is placed close to battery or supply lines. A ferrite bead like Murata BLM18EG101TN1 or Taiyo Yuden P/N FBMH1608HM101 can be used for this purpose.
- The below figure shows the recommended circuit:



4.4. VAUX Power Output

A regulated power supply output is provided in order to supply small devices from the module. The signal is present on Pad R11 and it is in common with the PWRMON (module powered ON indication) function.

This output is always active when the module is powered ON.

The operating range characteristics of the supply are:

| Item | Min | Typical | Max |
|---|-------|---------|-------|
| Output voltage | 1.78V | 1.80V | 1.82V |
| Output current | - | - | 60mA |
| Output bypass capacitor (inside the module) | | 1uF | |



5. DIGITAL SECTION

5.1. Logic Levels

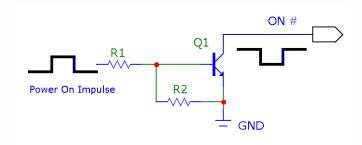
| Parameter | Min | Max |
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| ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS – NOT FUNCTIONAL | | |
| Input level on any digital pin (CMOS 1.8) with respect to ground | -0.3V | 2.1V |
| Operating Range - Interface levels (1.8V CMOS) | | |
| Input high level | 1.5V | 1.9V |
| Input low level | 0V | 0.35V |
| Output high level | 1.6V | 1.9V |
| Output low level | 0V | 0.2V |
| | | |
| Parameter | AVG | } |
| CURRENT CHARACTERISTICS: | | |
| Output Current | 1mA | Λ. |
| Input Current | 1uA | |

5.2. Power On

To turn on the ME910C1 the pad ON_OFF* must be tied low for at least 1 second and then released.

The maximum current that can be drained from the ON_OFF* pad is 0,1 mA.

Figure 1 illustrates a simple circuit to power on the module using an inverted buffer output. Figure 1: Power-on Circuit







NOTE:

Don't use any pull up resistor on the ON_OFF* line, it is internally pulled up. Using pull up resistor may bring to latch up problems on the ME910C1 power regulator and improper power on/off of the module. The line ON_OFF* must be connected only in open collector or open drain configuration.

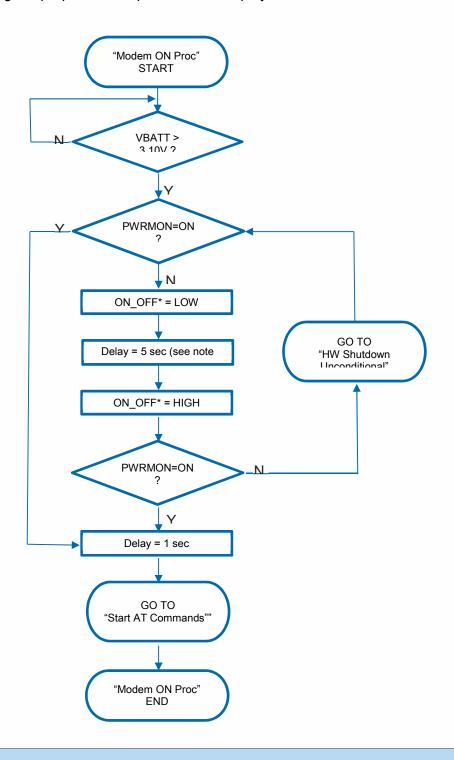
In this document all the lines that are inverted, hence have active low signals are labelled with a name that ends with"#","*" or with a bar over the name.

To check if the device has powered on, the hardware line PWRMON should be monitored.

It is mandatory to avoid sending data to the serial ports during the first 200ms of the module start-up.



A flow chart showing the proper turn on procedure is displayed below:

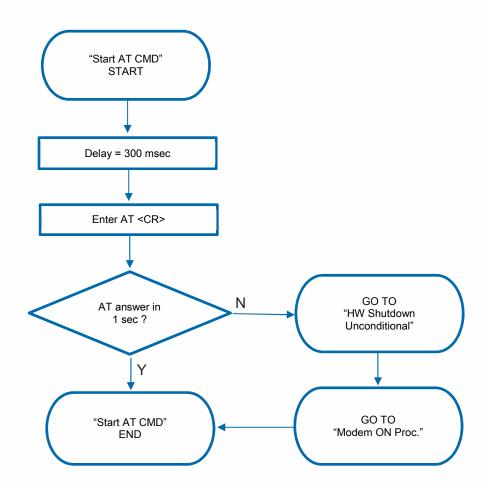




When the USB is connected or after the firmware updating, Delay must be equal at least to 10 seconds.



A flow chart showing the AT commands managing procedure is displayed below:





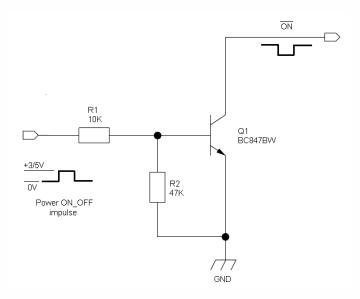
NOTE:

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.

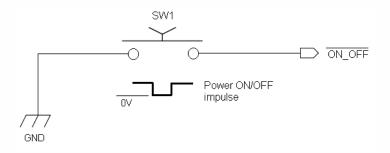


For example:

1- Let's assume you need to drive the ON_OFF^* pad with a totem pole output of a +3/5 V microcontroller (uP_OUT1):



2- Let's assume you need to drive the ON_OFF* pad directly with an ON/OFF button:







WARNING

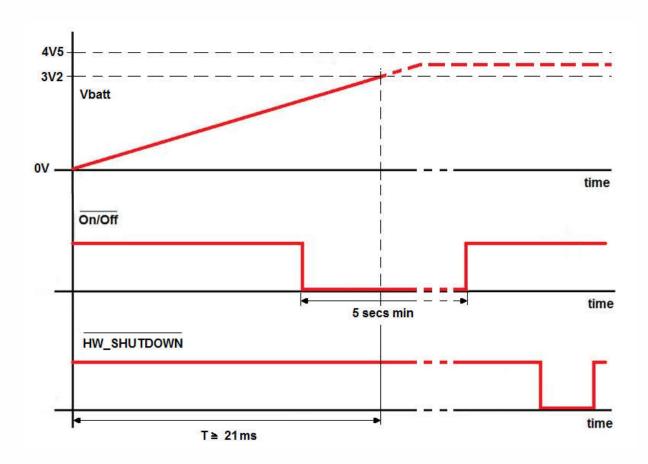
It is recommended to set the ON_OFF* line LOW to power on the module only after VBATT is higher than 3.10V.

In case this condition it is not satisfied you could use the HW_SHUTDOWN* line to recover it and then restart the power on activity using the ON_OFF * line.

An example of this is described in the following diagram.

Power ON diagram:

After HW_SHUTSDOWN* is released you could again use the ON_OFF* line to power on the module.





5.3. Power Off

Turning off of the device can be done in two ways:

- via AT command (see ME910C1 Software User Guide, AT#SHDN)
- by tying low pin ON_OFF*

Either ways, the device issues a detach request to network informing that the device will not be reachable any more.

To turn OFF the ME910C1 the pad ON_OFF* must be tied low for at least 3 seconds and then released.



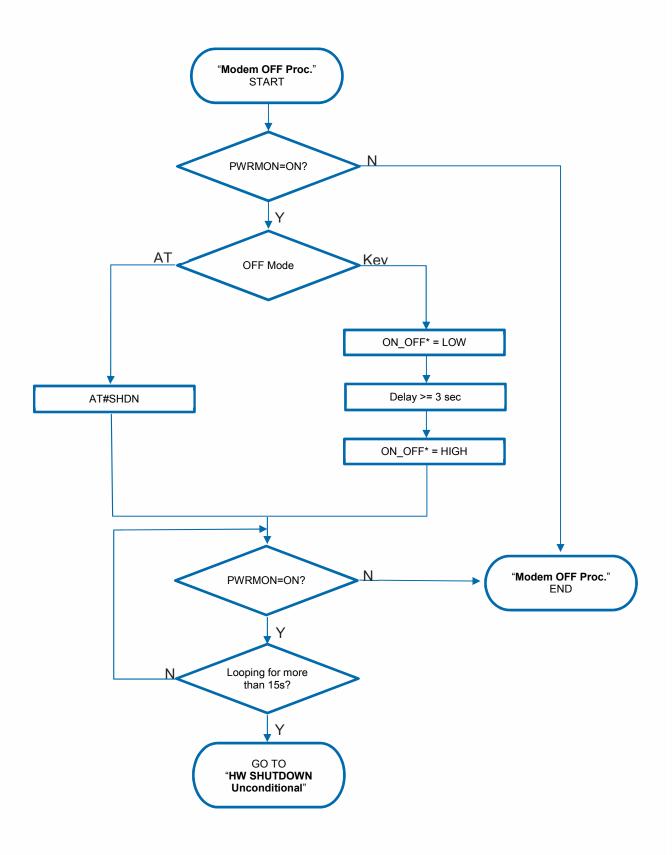
NOTE:

To check if the device has been powered off, the hardware line PWRMON must be monitored. The device is powered off when PWRMON goes low.

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.



The following flow chart shows the proper turn off procedure:





5.4. Unconditional Shutdown

HW_SHUTDOWN* is used to unconditionally shutdown the ME910C1. Whenever this signal is pulled low, the ME910C1 is reset. When the device is reset it stops any operation. After the release of the line, the ME910C1 is unconditionally shut down, without doing any detach operation from the network where it is registered. This behaviour is not a proper shut down because any WCDMA device is requested to issue a detach request on turn off. The HW_SHUTDOWN* is internally controlled on start-up to achieve always a proper power-on reset sequence, so there's no need to control this pin on start-up. To unconditionally shutdown the ME910C1, the pad HW_SHUTDOWN* must be tied low for at least 200 milliseconds and then released.

The signal is internally pulled up so the pin can be left floating if not used.

If used, then it **must always be connected with an open collector transistor**, to permit to the internal circuitry the power on reset and under voltage lockout functions.

PIN DESCRIPTION

| Signal | Function | I/O | PAD |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| HW_SHUTDOWN* | Unconditional Shutdown of the Module | 1 | R13 |

OPERATING LEVELS

| Signal Status | Min | Max |
|-------------------------|------|-------|
| HW_SHUTDOWN* Input high | 1.5V | 1.9V |
| HW_SHUTDOWN* Input low | 0V | 0.35V |

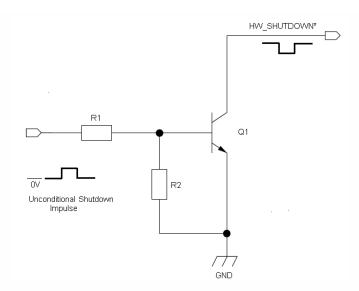


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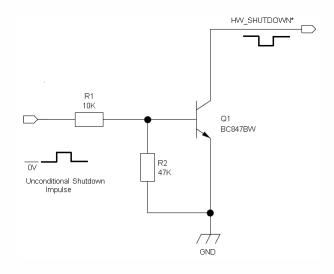
The hardware unconditional Shutdown must not be used during normal operation of the device since it does not detach the device from the network. It shall be kept as an emergency exit procedure.

A typical circuit is the following:





For example: Let us assume you need to drive the HW_SHUTDOWN* pad with a totem pole output of a +3/5 V microcontroller (uP_OUT2):



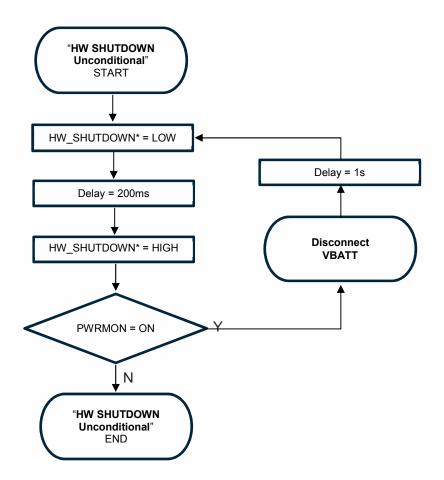


NOTE:

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.

In the following flow chart is detailed the proper restart procedure:







NOTE:

Do not use any pull up resistor on the HW_SHUTDOWN* line nor any totem pole digital output. Using pull up resistor may bring to latch up problems on the ME910C1 power regulator and improper functioning of the module.

To proper power on again the module please refer to the related paragraph ("Power ON")

The unconditional hardware shutdown must always be implemented on the boards and should be used only as an emergency exit procedure.



5.5. Fast power down

The procedure to power off ME910C1 described in Chapter 5.3 normally takes more than 1 second to detach from network and make ME910C1 internal filesystem properly closed. In case of unwanted supply voltage loss the system can be switched off without any risk of filesystem data corruption by implementing Fast Shut Down feature.

Fast Shut Down feature permits to reduce the current consumption and the time-topoweroff to minimum values.



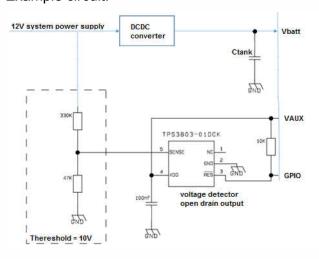
NOTE:

Refer to ME910C1 series AT command reference guide (Fast power down - #FASTSHDN) in order to set up detailed AT command.

5.5.1. Fast Shut Down by Hardware

The Fast Power Down can be triggered by configuration of any GPIO. HI level to LOW level transition of GPIO commands fast power down.

Example circuit:







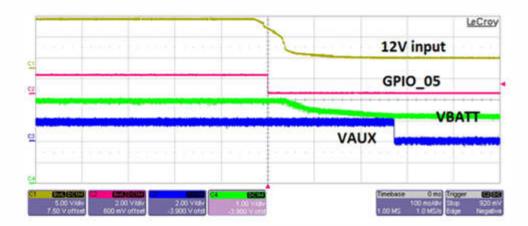
NOTE:

In case of power on with slow ramp-up of Vbatt supply voltage while ON/OFF* is tied to GND (case possibile if timing are not properly controlled), HW_SHUTDOWN* line has to be used according to power on diagram in chapter 5.2.



NOTE:

Consider voltage drop under max current conditions when defining the voltage detector thereshold in order to avoid unwanted shutdown.



Tipical timings are reported in the plot above when testing the example circuit with Ctank=47mF.

The capacitor is rated with the following formula:

$$C = I \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta V}$$



where 80mA is a typical current during fast shut down procedure, 300ms is the typical time to execute the shutdown and 0.5V is the minimum voltage marging from threshold of ME910C1 hardware reset.



TIP:

Make the same plot during system verification to check timings and voltage levels.

5.5.2. Fast Shut Down by Software

The Fast Power Down can be triggered by AT command.



5.6. Communication ports

5.6.1. USB 2.0 HS

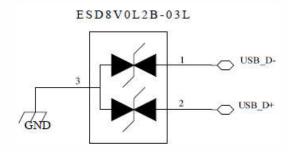
The ME910C1 includes one integrated universal serial bus (USB 2.0 HS) transceiver. The following table is listing the available signals:

| PAD | Signal | I/O | Function | Type | NOTE |
|-----|--------|-----|---|------|-------------------------------|
| B15 | USB_D+ | I/O | USB differential Data (+) | 3.3V | |
| C15 | USB_D- | I/O | USB differential Data (-) | 3.3V | |
| A13 | VUSB | Al | Power sense for the internal USB transceiver. | 5V | Accepted range: 4.4V to 5.25V |

The USB_DPLUS and USB_DMINUS signals have a clock rate of 480 MHz.

The signal traces should be routed carefully. Trace lengths, number of vias and capacitive loading should be minimized. The characteristic impedance value should be as close as possible to 90 Ohms differential.

In case there is a need to add an ESD protection, the suggested connection is the following:





NOTE:

VUSB pin should be disconnected before activating the Power Saving Mode.



5.6.2. SPI

The ME910C1 Module is provided by a standard 3-wire master SPI interface.

The following table is listing the available signals:



NOTE: Final Position of SPI still under definition

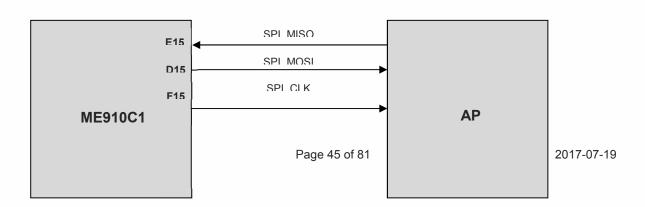
| PAD | Signal | I/O | Function | Туре | NOTE |
|-----|----------|-----|-----------|--------------|--------------------------|
| D15 | SPI_MOSI | 0 | SPI MOSI | CMOS 1.8V | Shared with TX_AUX |
| E15 | SPI_MISO | I | SPI MISO | CMOS 1.8V | Shared with RX_AUX |
| F15 | SPI_CLK | 0 | SPI Clock | CMOS 1.8V | |



NOTE:

Due to the shared functions, when the SPI port is used, it is not possible to use the AUX_UART port.

5.6.2.1. SPI Connections





Serial Ports

The ME910C1 module is provided with by 2 Asynchronous serial ports:

- MODEM SERIAL PORT 1 (Main)
- MODEM SERIAL PORT 2 (Auxiliary)

Several configurations can be designed for the serial port on the OEM hardware, but the most common are:

- RS232 PC com port
- microcontroller UART @ 1.8V (Universal Asynchronous Receive Transmit)
- microcontroller UART @ 5V or other voltages different from 1.8V

Depending from the type of serial port on the OEM hardware a level translator circuit may be needed to make the system work. On the ME910C1 the ports are CMOS 1.8.

5.6.2.2. Modem serial port 1 (USIF0)

The serial port 1 on the ME910C1 is a +1.8V UART with all the 7 RS232 signals. It differs from the PC-RS232 in the signal polarity (RS232 is reversed) and levels.

The following table is listing the available signals:

| RS232 Pin | Signal | PAD | Name | Usage |
|--------------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1 | C109/DCD | N14 | Data Carrier Detect | Output from the ME910C1 that indicates the carrier presence |
| 2 | C104/RXD | M15 | Transmit line *see Note | Output transmit line of ME910C1 UART |
| 3 | C103/TXD | N15 | Receive line *see Note | Input receive of the ME910C1 UART |
| 4 | C108/DTR | M14 | Data Terminal Ready | Input to the ME910C1 that controls the DTE READY condition |
| 5 | GND | M12 , B13, P13, E14 | Ground | Ground |



| 6 | C107/DSR | P14 | Data Set Ready | Output from the ME910C1 that indicates the module is ready |
|---|-----------|-----|-----------------|--|
| 7 | C106/CTS | P15 | Clear to Send | Output from the ME910C1 that controls the Hardware flow control |
| 8 | C105/RTS | L14 | Request to Send | Input to the ME910C1 that controls the Hardware flow control |
| 9 | C125/RING | R14 | Ring Indicator | Output from the ME910C1 that indicates the incoming call condition |



NOTE:

According to V.24, some signal names are referred to the application side, therefore on the ME910C1 side these signal are on the opposite direction:

TXD on the application side will be connected to the receive line (here named C103/TXD)

RXD on the application side will be connected to the transmit line (here named C104/RXD)

For a minimum implementation, only the TXD, RXD lines can be connected, the other lines can be left open provided a software flow control is implemented.

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.



5.6.2.3. Modem serial port 2 (USIF1)

The secondary serial port on the ME910C1 is a CMOS1.8V with only the RX and TX signals.

The signals of the ME910C1 serial port are:

| PAD | Signal | I/O | Function | Type | NOTE |
|-----|--------|-----|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| D15 | TX_AUX | 0 | Auxiliary UART (TX Data to DTE) | CMOS 1.8V | Shared with SPI_MOSI |
| E15 | RX_AUX | I | Auxiliary UART (RX Data from DTE) | CMOS 1.8V | Shared with SPI MISO |



NOTE:

Due to the shared pins, when the Modem Serial port is used, it is not possible to use the SPI functions.

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.

5.6.2.4. RS232 level translation

In order to interface the ME910C1 with a PC com port or a RS232 (EIA/TIA-232) application a level translator is required. This level translator must:

- invert the electrical signal in both directions;
- Change the level from 0/1.8V to +15/-15V.

Actually, the RS232 UART 16450, 16550, 16650 & 16750 chipsets accept signals with lower levels on the RS232 side (EIA/TIA-562), allowing a lower voltage-multiplying ratio 1VV0301351 Rev. 2 Page 48 of 81 2017-07-19



on the level translator. Note that the negative signal voltage must be less than 0V and hence some sort of level translation is always required.

The simplest way to translate the levels and invert the signal is by using a single chip level translator. There are a multitude of them, differing in the number of drivers and receivers and in the levels (be sure to get a true RS232 level translator not a RS485 or other standards).

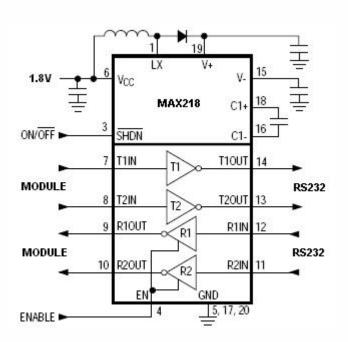
By convention the driver is the level translator from the 0-1.8V UART to the RS232 level. The receiver is the translator from the RS232 level to 0-1.8V UART.

In order to translate the whole set of control lines of the UART you will need:

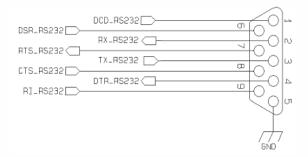
- 5 drivers
- 3 receivers

An example of RS232 level adaptation circuitry could be done using a MAXIM transceiver (MAX218)

In this case the chipset is capable to translate directly from 1.8V to the RS232 levels (Example done on 4 signals only).



The RS232 serial port lines are usually connected to a DB9 connector with the following layout:



5.7. General

purpose I/O

The ME910C1 module is provided by a set of Configurable Digital Input / Output pins (CMOS 1.8V). Input pads can only be read; they report the digital value (high or low)



present on the pad at the read time. Output pads can only be written or queried and set the value of the pad output.

An alternate function pad is internally controlled by the ME910C1 firmware and acts depending on the function implemented.

The following table shows the available GPIO on the ME910C1:

| PAD | Signal | I/O | Drive Strength | Default State | NOTE |
|-----|---------|-----|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| C8 | GPIO_01 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | Alternate function STAT LED |
| C9 | GPIO_02 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| C10 | GPIO_03 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| C11 | GPIO_04 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| B14 | GPIO_05 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| C12 | GPIO_06 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| C13 | GPIO_07 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| K15 | GPIO_08 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| L15 | GPIO_09 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |
| G15 | GPIO_10 | I/O | (TBD) mA | INPUT | |

5.7.1. Using a GPIO as INPUT

The GPIO pads, when used as inputs, can be connected to a digital output of another device and report its status, provided this device has interface levels compatible with the 1.8V CMOS levels of the GPIO.

If the digital output of the device to be connected with the GPIO input pad has interface levels different from the 1.8V CMOS, then it can be buffered with an open collector transistor with a 47K pull up to 1.8V supplied by VAUX/POWERMON R11 pad.





NOTE:

In order to avoid a back powering effect it is recommended to avoid having any HIGH logic level signal applied to the digital pins of the ME910C1 when the module is powered off or during an ON/OFF transition.

5.7.2. Using a GPIO as OUTPUT

The GPIO pads, when used as outputs, can drive 1.8V CMOS digital devices or compatible hardware. When set as outputs, the pads have a push-pull output and therefore the pull-up resistor may be omitted.

5.7.3. Indication of network service availability

The STAT_LED pin status shows information on the network service availability and Call status.

The function is available as alternate function of GPIO_01 (to be enabled using the AT#GPIO=1,0,2 command).

In the ME910C1 modules, the STAT_LED needs an external transistor to drive an external

LED and its voltage level is defined accordingly to the table below:.

Device Status Led Status

Device off Permanently off

Not Registered Permanently on

Registered in idle Blinking 1sec on + 2 sec off

Registered in idle + power saving

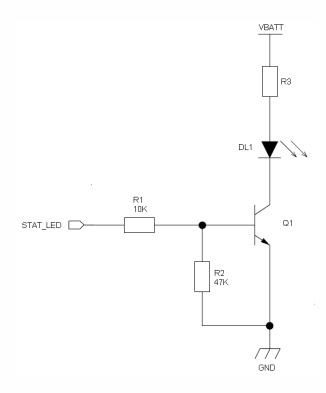
It depends on the event that triggers the wakeup (In sync with network paging)

Connecting Blinking 1 sec on + 2 sec off

Telit

The reference schematic for LED indicator,

R3 must be calculated taking in account VBATT value and LED type. :





5.8. External SIM Holder

Please refer to **Error! Reference source not found.** the related User Guide (SIM Holder Design Guides, 80000NT10001a).

5.9. ADC Converter

The ME910C1 is provided by one AD converter. It is able to read a voltage level in the range of 0÷1.2 volts applied on the ADC pin input, store and convert it into 10 bit word. The input line is named as **ADC_IN1** and it is available on Pad **B1**

The following table is showing the ADC characteristics:

| Item | Min | Typical | Max | Unit |
|---------------------|-----|---------|-----|------|
| Input Voltage range | 0 | - | 1.2 | Volt |
| AD conversion | - | - | 10 | bits |
| Input Resistance | 1 | - | - | Mohm |
| Input Capacitance | - | 1 | - | pF |

The ADC could be controlled using an AT command.

The command is AT#ADC=1,2

The read value is expressed in mV

Refer to SW User Guide or AT Commands Reference Guide for the full description of this function.



6. RF SECTION

6.1. Bands Variants

Product LTE bands

ME910C1-NV B4,B13

ME910C1-NA B2,B4,B12

6.2. TX Output power

Band dBm

LTE All bands 23(+-2)

6.3. RX Sensitivity

Measurement setup

Band

LTE Throughput >95& 10 Mhz

ME910C1-NA

ME910C1-NV

Band dBm

Band 2 -103.0 (Preliminary)

Band 4 -102.5 (Preliminary)

Band 12 -103.0 (Preliminary)

Band 13 -103.0 (Preliminary)

6.4. Antenna requirements

The antenna connection and board layout design are the most important aspect in the full product design as they strongly affect the product overall performances, hence read carefully and follow the requirements and the guidelines for a proper design.



The antenna and antenna transmission line on PCB for a Telit ME910C1 device shall fulfil the following requirements:

ME910C1-NA

ME910C1-NV

Value Item

Depending by frequency band(s) provided by the network Frequency range

operator, the customer shall use the most suitable antenna for

that/those band(s)

140 MHz in LTE Band 2

445 MHz in LTE Band 4 Bandwidth

47 MHz in LTE Band 12

41 MHz in LTE Band 13

Impedance 50 ohm

Input power > 24dBm Average power

VSWR absolute max ≤ 10:1 (limit to avoid permanent damage)

VSWR recommended ≤ 2:1 (limit to fulfill all regulatory requirements)



6.4.1. PCB Design guidelines

When using the ME910C1, since there's no antenna connector on the module, the antenna must be connected to the ME910C1 antenna pad (K1) by means of a transmission line implemented on the PCB.

This transmission line shall fulfil the following requirements:

Item Value

Characteristic Impedance

50 ohm (+-10%)

Max Attenuation 0,3 dB

Coupling with other signals shall be avoided

Ground Plane Cold End (Ground Plane) of antenna shall be equipotential to

the ME910C1 ground pins

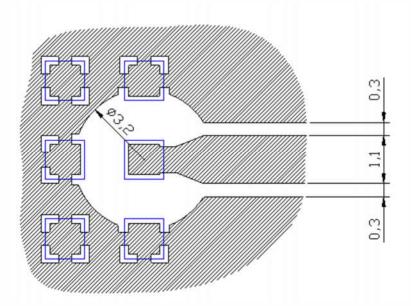
The transmission line should be designed according to the following guidelines:

- Make sure that the transmission line's characteristic impedance is 50ohm;
- Keep line on the PCB as short as possible, since the antenna line loss shall be less than about 0,3 dB;
- Line geometry should have uniform characteristics, constant cross section, avoid meanders and abrupt curves;
- Any kind of suitable geometry / structure (Microstrip, Stripline, Coplanar, Grounded Coplanar Waveguide...) can be used for implementing the printed transmission line afferent the antenna;
- If a Ground plane is required in line geometry, that plane has to be continuous and sufficiently extended, so the geometry can be as similar as possible to the related canonical model;
- Keep, if possible, at least one layer of the PCB used only for the Ground plane; If possible, use this
 layer as reference Ground plane for the transmission line;
- It is wise to surround (on both sides) the PCB transmission line with Ground, avoid having other signal tracks facing directly the antenna line track.
- · Avoid crossing any un-shielded transmission line footprint with other signal tracks on different layers;
- The ground surrounding the antenna line on PCB has to be strictly connected to the main Ground Plane by means of via holes (once per 2mm at least), placed close to the ground edges facing line track;
- Place EM noisy devices as far as possible from ME910C1 antenna line;
- Keep the antenna line far away from the ME910C1 power supply lines;
- If EM noisy devices (such as fast switching ICs, LCD and so on) are present on the PCB hosting the ME910, take care of the shielding of the antenna line by burying it in an inner layer of PCB and surround it with Ground planes, or shield it with a metal frame cover.



If EM noisy devices are not present around the line, the use of geometries like Microstrip or Grounded Coplanar Waveguide has to be preferred, since they typically ensure less attenuation if compared to a Stripline having same length;

The following image is showing the suggested layout for the Antenna pad connection:





6.4.2. PCB Guidelines in case of FCC Certification

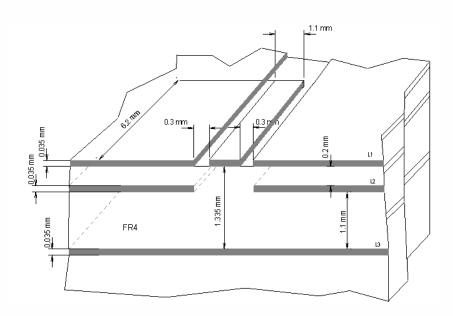
In the case FCC certification is required for an application using ME910C1, according to FCC KDB 996369 for modular approval requirements, the transmission line has to be similar to that implemented on ME910C1 interface board and described in the following chapter.

6.4.2.1. Transmission line design

During the design of the ME910C1 interface board, the placement of components has been chosen properly, in order to keep the line length as short as possible, thus leading to lowest power losses possible. A Grounded Coplanar Waveguide (G-CPW) line has been chosen, since this kind of transmission line ensures good impedance control and can be implemented in an outer PCB layer as needed in this case. A SMA female connector has been used to feed the line.

The interface board is realized on a FR4, 4-layers PCB. Substrate material is characterized by relative permittivity $\varepsilon r = 4.6 \pm 0.4$ @ 1 GHz, TanD= 0.019 \div 0.026 @ 1 GHz.

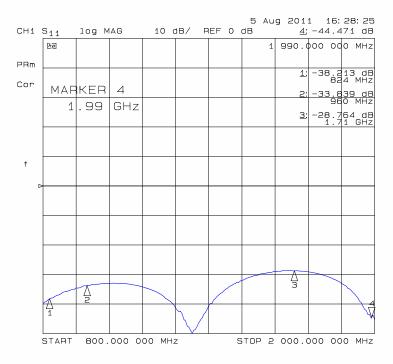
A characteristic impedance of nearly 50 Ω is achieved using trace width = 1.1 mm, clearance from coplanar ground plane = 0.3 mm each side. The line uses reference ground plane on layer 3, while copper is removed from layer 2 underneath the line. Height of trace above ground plane is 1.335 mm. Calculated characteristic impedance is 51.6 Ω , estimated line loss is less than 0.1 dB. The line geometry is shown below:





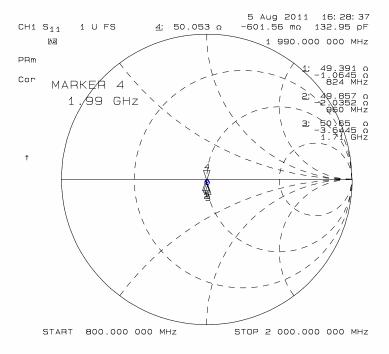
6.4.2.2. Transmission Line Measurements

An HP8753E VNA (Full-2-port calibration) has been used in this measurement session. A calibrated coaxial cable has been soldered at the pad corresponding to RF output; a SMA connector has been soldered to the board in order to characterize the losses of the transmission line including the connector itself. During Return Loss / impedance measurements, the transmission line has been terminated to $50~\Omega$ load. Return Loss plot of line under test is shown below:

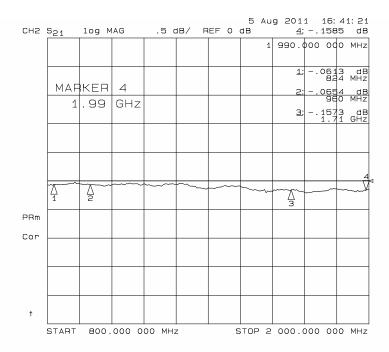




Line input impedance (in Smith Chart format, once the line has been terminated to 50 Ω load) is shown in the following figure:







6.4.2.3. Antenna Installation Guidelines

- Install the antenna in a place covered by the LTE signal.
- Antenna must not be installed inside metal cases
- Antenna shall also be installed according Antenna manufacturer instructions
- Antenna integration should optimize the Radiation Efficiency. Efficiency values > 50% are recommended on all frequency bands
- Antenna integration should not dramatically perturb the radiation pattern. It is preferable to get, after antenna installation, an omnidirectional radiation pattern, at least in one pattern cut
- Antenna Gain must not exceed values indicated in regulatory requirements, where applicable, in order to meet related EIRP limitations. Typical antenna Gain in most M2M applications does not exceed 2dBi
- If the device antenna is located farther than 20cm from the human body and there
 are no co-located transmitter then the Telit FCC/IC approvals can be re-used by the
 end product
- If the device antenna is located closer than 20cm from the human body or there are co-located transmitter then the additional FCC/IC testing may be required for the end product (Telit FCC/IC approvals cannot be reused)



7. AUDIO SECTION

The Telit digital audio interface (DVI) of the ME910C1 Module is based on the I²S serial bus interface standard. The audio port can be directly connected to end device using digital interface, or via one of the several compliant codecs (in case an analog audio is needed).

7.1. Electrical Characteristics

The product is providing the DVI on the following pins:

| Pin | Signal | I/O | Function | Internal | Type |
|-----|---------|-----|--|----------|-----------|
| | | | | Pull Up | |
| В9 | DVI_WA0 | I/O | Digital Audio Interface (Word Alignment / LRCLK) | | CMOS 1.8V |
| B6 | DVI_RX | 1 | Digital Audio Interface (RX) | | CMOS 1.8V |
| B7 | DVI_TX | 0 | Digital Audio Interface (TX) | | CMOS 1.8V |
| В8 | DVI_CLK | I/O | Digital Audio Interface (BCLK) | | CMOS 1.8V |

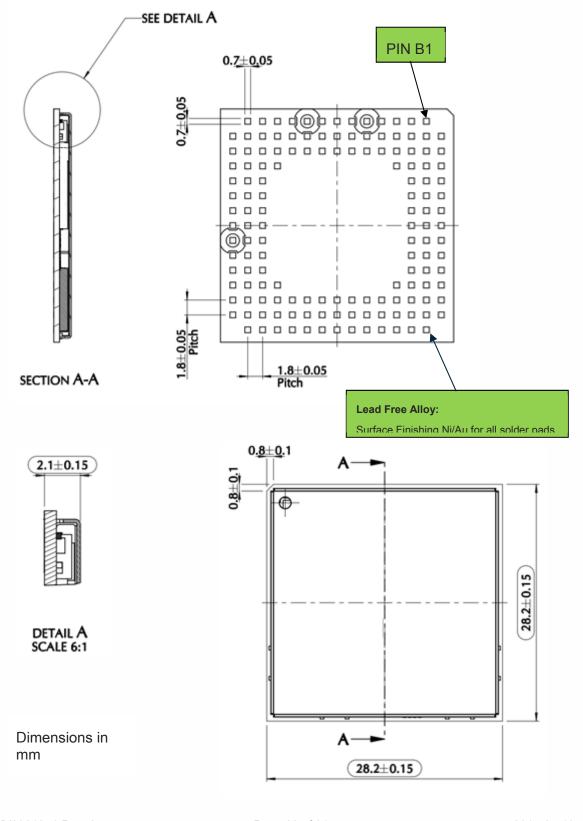
7.2. Codec examples

Please refer to the Digital Audio Application note.



8. MECHANICAL DESIGN

8.1. Drawing



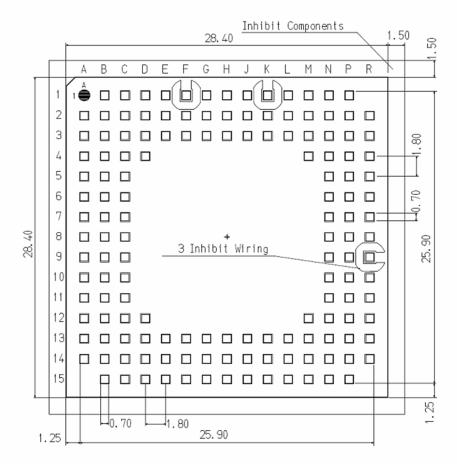


9. APPLICATION PCB DESIGN

The ME910C1 modules have been designed in order to be compliant with a standard leadfree SMT process

9.1. Footprint





In order to easily rework the ME910C1 is suggested to consider on the application a 1.5 mm placement inhibit area around the module.

It is also suggested, as common rule for an SMT component, to avoid having a mechanical part of the application in direct contact with the module.



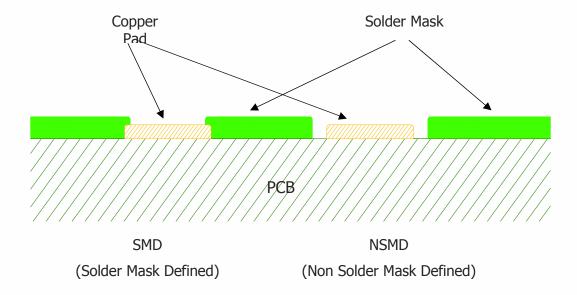
NOTE:

In the customer application, the region under WIRING INHIBIT (see figure above) must be clear from signal or ground paths.



9.2. PCB pad design

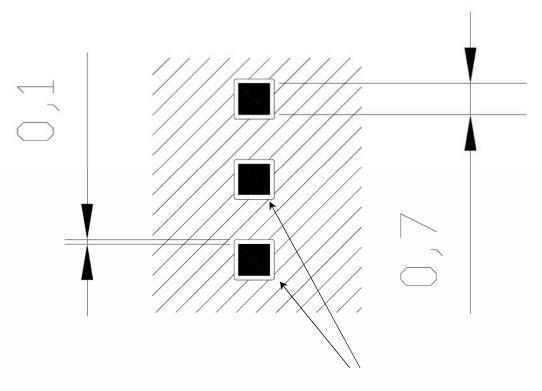
Non solder mask defined (NSMD) type is recommended for the solder pads on the PCB.





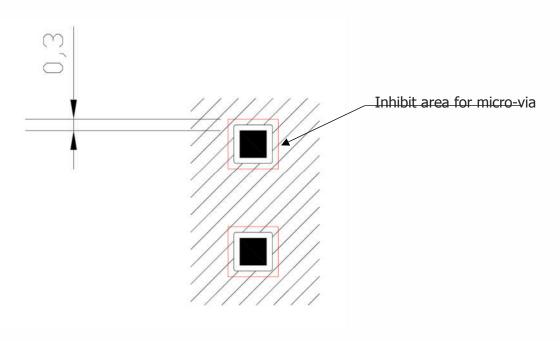
9.3. PCB pad dimensions

The recommendation for the PCB pads dimensions are described in the following image (dimensions in mm)



Solder resist openings

It is not recommended to place via or micro-via not covered by solder resist in an area of 0,3 mm around the pads unless it carries the same signal of the pad itself





Holes in pad are allowed only for blind holes and not for through holes.

Recommendations for PCB pad surfaces:

| Finish | Layer Thickness (um) | Properties |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Electro-less Ni / Immersion Au | 3 –7 / 0.05 – 0.15 | good solder ability protection, high shear force values |

The PCB must be able to resist the higher temperatures which are occurring at the lead-free process. This issue should be discussed with the PCB-supplier. Generally, the wettability of tin-lead solder paste on the described surface plating is better compared to lead-free solder paste.

It is not necessary to panel the application's PCB, however in that case it is suggested to use milled contours and predrilled board breakouts; scoring or v-cut solutions are not recommended

9.4. Stencil

Stencil's apertures layout can be the same of the recommended footprint (1:1), we suggest a thickness of stencil foil \geq 120 μ m.

9.5. Solder paste

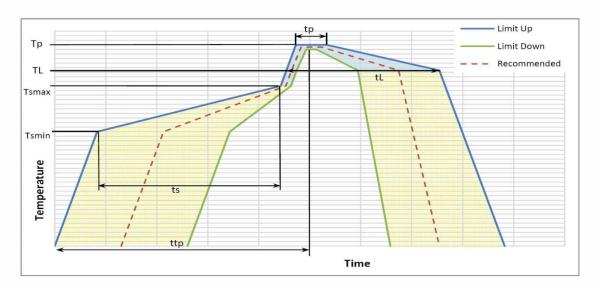
| Item | Lead Free |
|--------------|-----------|
| Solder Paste | Sn/Ag/Cu |

We recommend using only "no clean" solder paste in order to avoid the cleaning of the modules after assembly



9.6. Solder Reflow

Recommended solder reflow profile:



| Profile Feature | Pb-Free Assembly Free |
|--|-----------------------|
| Average ramp-up rate (T _L to T _P) | 3°C/second max |
| Preheat | |
| - Temperature Min (Tsmin) | 150°C |
| - Temperature Max (Tsmax) | 200°C |
| - Time (min to max) (ts) | 60-180 seconds |
| Tsmax to TL | |
| – Ramp-up Rate | 3°C/second max |
| Time maintained above: | |
| - Temperature (TL) | 217°C |
| – Time (tL) | 60-150 seconds |
| Peak Temperature (Tp) | 245 +0/-5°C |
| Time within 5°C of actual Peak | 10-30 seconds |
| Temperature (tp) | |
| Ramp-down Rate | 6°C/second max. |
| Time 25°C to Peak Temperature | 8 minutes max. |





NOTE:

All temperatures refer to topside of the package, measured on the package body surface



WARNING:

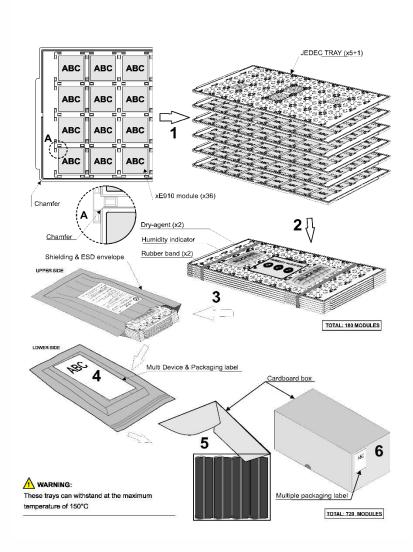
THE ME910C1 MODULE WITHSTANDS ONE REFLOW PROCESS ONLY.



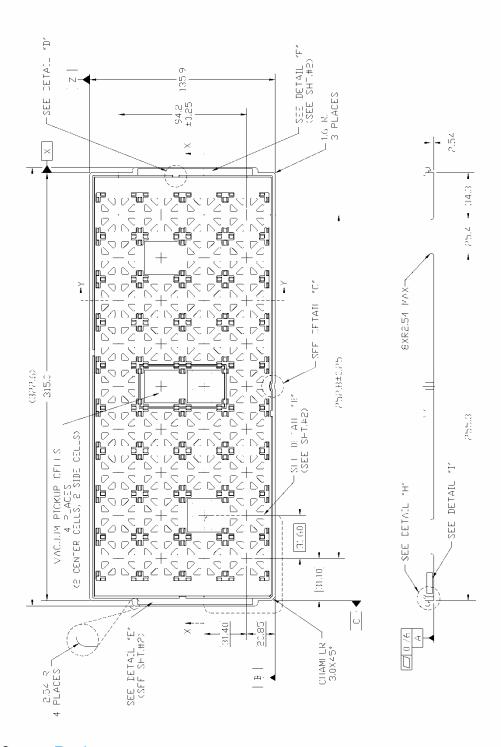
10. PACKAGING

10.1. Tray

The ME910 modules are packaged on trays that can be used in SMT processes for pick & place handling. The first Marketing and Engineering samples of the ME910C1 series will be shipped with the current packaging of the xE910 modules (on trays of 20 pieces each). Please note that Telit is going to introduce a new packaging for the xE910 family, as per the Product Change Notification PCN-0000-14-0055, therefore the mass production units of ME910C1 will be shipped according to the following drawings:



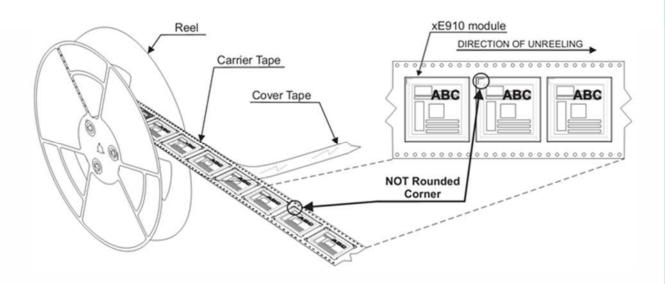




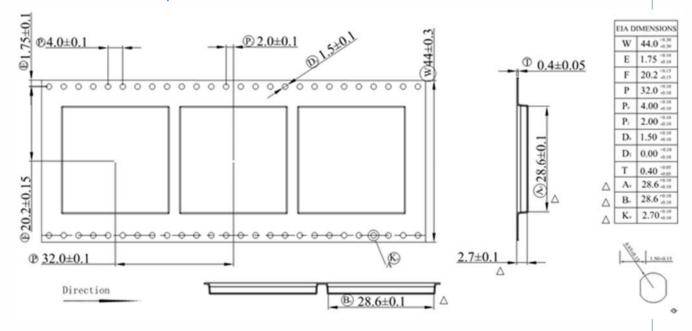
10.2. Reel

The ME910 can be packaged on reels of 200 pieces each. See figure for module positioning into the carrier.



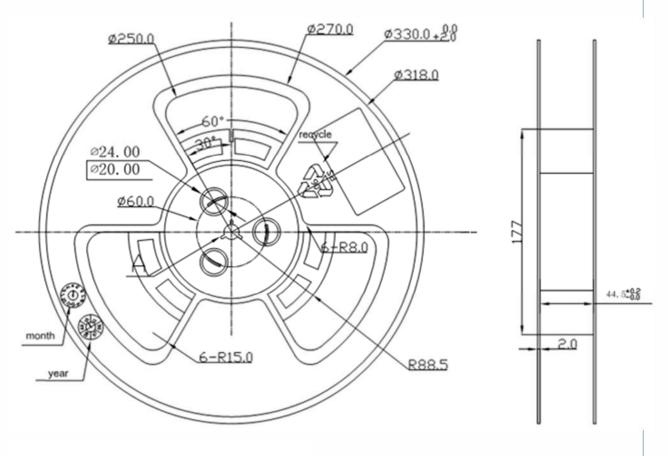


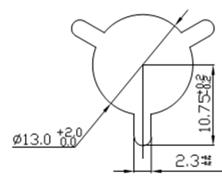
10.3. Carrier Tape detail





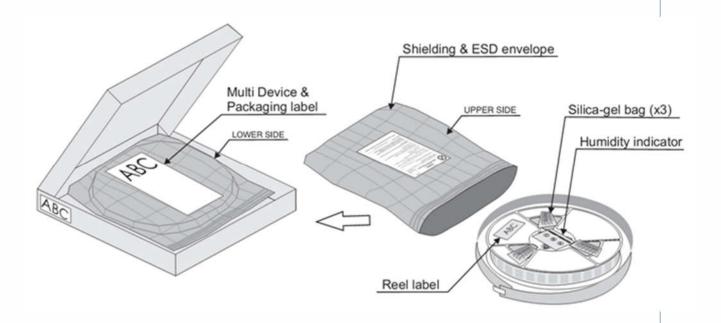
10.4. Reel detail







10.5. Packaging detail



10.6. Moisture sensitivity

The ME910C1 is a Moisture Sensitive Device level 3, in according with standard IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020, take care all the relatives requirements for using this kind of components.

Moreover, the customer has to take care of the following conditions:

- a) Calculated shelf life in sealed bag: 12 months at <40°C and <90% relative humidity (RH).
- b) Environmental condition during the production: 30°C / 60% RH according to IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033A paragraph 5.
- c) The maximum time between the opening of the sealed bag and the reflow process must be 168 hours if condition b) "IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033A paragraph 5.2" is respected
- d) Baking is required if conditions b) or c) are not respected
- e) Baking is required if the humidity indicator inside the bag indicates 10% RH or more



11. CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT ISSUES

11.1. FCC/ISED Regulatory notices

Modification statement

Telit has not approved any changes or modifications to this device by the user. Any changes or modifications could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Telit n'approuve aucune modification apportée à l'appareil par l'utilisateur, quelle qu'en soit la nature. Tout changement ou modification peuvent annuler le droit d'utilisation de l'appareil par l'utilisateur.

Interference statement

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.

Wireless notice

This device complies with FCC/ISED radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment and meets the FCC radio frequency (RF) Exposure Guidelines and RSS-102 of the ISED radio frequency (RF) Exposure rules.

Antenna gain must be below:

| Band | ME910C1-NA | ME910C1-NV |
|--------|------------|------------|
| FDD 4 | 6,00 dBi | 6,00 dBi |
| FDD 2 | 9,01 dBi | |
| FDD 12 | 6,63 dBi | |



| FDD 13 6,94 dBi |
|------------------------|
|------------------------|

This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Le présent appareil est conforme à l'exposition aux radiations FCC / ISED définies pour un environnement non contrôlé et répond aux directives d'exposition de la fréquence de la FCC radiofréquence (RF) et RSS-102 de la fréquence radio (RF) ISED règles d'exposition.

Gain de l'antenne doit étre ci-dessous :

| Band | ME910C1-NA | ME910C1-NV |
|--------|------------|------------|
| FDD 4 | 6,00 dBi | 6,00 dBi |
| FDD 2 | 9,01 dBi | |
| FDD 12 | 6,63 dBi | |
| FDD 13 | | 6,94 dBi |

L'émetteur ne doit pas être colocalisé ni fonctionner conjointement avec à autre antenne ou autre émetteur.

FCC Class B digital device notice

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. 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.

CAN ICES-3 (B) / NMB-3 (B)



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

Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme à la norme canadienne ICES-003.



12. SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

12.1. READ CAREFULLY

Be sure the use of this product is allowed in the country and in the environment required. The use of this product may be dangerous and has to be avoided in the following areas:

- Where it can interfere with other electronic devices in environments such as hospitals, airports, aircrafts, etc.
- Where there is risk of explosion such as gasoline stations, oil refineries, etc. It is the
 responsibility of the user to enforce the country regulation and the specific
 environment regulation.

Do not disassemble the product; any mark of tampering will compromise the warranty validity. We recommend following the instructions of the hardware user guides for correct wiring of the product. The product has to be supplied with a stabilized voltage source and the wiring has to be conformed to the security and fire prevention regulations. The product has to be handled with care, avoiding any contact with the pins because electrostatic discharges may damage the product itself. Same cautions have to be taken for the SIM, checking carefully the instruction for its use. Do not insert or remove the SIM when the product is in power saving mode.

The system integrator is responsible for the functioning of the final product; therefore, care has to be taken to the external components of the module, as well as any project or installation issue, because the risk of disturbing the GSM network or external devices or having impact on the security. Should there be any doubt, please refer to the technical documentation and the regulations in force. Every module has to be equipped with a proper antenna with specific characteristics. The antenna has to be installed with care in order to avoid any interference with other electronic devices and has to guarantee a minimum distance from the body (20 cm). In case this requirement cannot be satisfied, the system integrator has to assess the final product against the SAR regulation.

The European Community provides some Directives for the electronic equipment introduced on the market. All of the relevant information is available on the European Community website:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/rtte/documents/

The text of the Directive 99/05 regarding telecommunication equipment is available,

while the applicable Directives (Low Voltage and EMC) are available at:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/electrical/



13. ACRONYMS

TTSC Telit Technical Support Centre

USB Universal Serial Bus

HS High Speed

DTE Data Terminal Equipment

UMTS

WCDMA

Wideband Code Division Multiple Access

HSDPA

HSUPA

High Speed Downlink Packet Access

High Speed Uplink Packet Access

UART Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter

HSIC High Speed Inter Chip

SIM Subscriber Identification Module

SPI Serial Peripheral Interface
ADC Analog – Digital Converter
DAC Digital – Analog Converter

I/O Input Output

GPIO General Purpose Input Output

CMOS Complementary Metal – Oxide Semiconductor

MOSI Master Output – Slave Input

MISO Master Input – Slave Output

CLK Clock

CS Chip Select

RTC Real Time Clock

PCB Printed Circuit Board

ESR Equivalent Series Resistance
VSWR Voltage Standing Wave Radio

VNA Vector Network Analyzer



14. DOCUMENT HISTORY

| Revision | Date | Changes |
|----------|------------|--|
| 0 | 2017-01-16 | First issue (preliminary) |
| 1 | 2017-02-10 | Power consumption and Pinout clarification |
| 2 | 2017-07-20 | Added par.11 – Conformity Assesment Issues |

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