

Zigbee Pro Module Operational description

The Zigbee module is a daughter board module which is installed onto a Viconics thermostat to provide a Zigbee communicating network. This network is a 2.4GHz ISM band RF signal to provide the thermostat(s) a means of communicating to a BAS (Building Automation System) and also provide communication of various data between thermostats.

Below is a small description of the various blocks within the Zigbee Module.

1. SCI Communication interface

The SCI communications interface is used to provide data exchange between the thermostat and the Zigbee module. This SCI interface is a bi-directional interface which provide all required information from the thermostat to be transmitted via RF to other thermostats or systems.

2. Antenna

The antenna is design for a 2.4GHz RF signal to be transmitted and received to and from other thermostats or systems.

3. CPU & RF Transceiver

This sections contains the CC2538 SoC device with it's supporting electronic components. The crystal used for the CPU is 32MHz. The MCU and the transceiver are on the same chip. The CPU communicates via the SCI interface to and from the thermostat (see SCI Communications Interface above). Power for the SoC is received from a 3.3 LDO regulator within the power supply block.

4. Power Supply

The input to the regulator is approximately 5Vdc provided by the thermostat power supply. The output of the power supply block basically consists of the 3.3V LDO regulator which is used to power the circuits and the Soc (MCU and Transceiver).