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Cellular terminals or mobiles operating over radio signal and cellular network cannot be guaranteed to connect in certain conditions, such as when the mobile bill is unpaid or the (U)SIM card is invalid. When emergent help is needed in such conditions, use emergency call if the device supports it. In order to make or receive a call, the cellular terminal or mobile must be switched on in a service area with adequate cellular signal strength. In an emergency, the device with emergency call function cannot be used as the only contact method considering network connection cannot be guaranteed under all circumstances.



The cellular terminal or mobile contains a transceiver. When it is ON, it receives and transmits radio frequency signals. RF interference can occur if it is used close to TV sets, radios, computers or other electric equipment.



In locations with explosive or potentially explosive atmospheres, obey all posted signs and turn off wireless devices such as mobile phone or other cellular terminals. Areas with explosive or potentially explosive atmospheres include fueling areas, below decks on boats, fuel or chemical transfer or storage facilities, and areas where the air contains chemicals or particles such as grain, dust or metal powders.

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1 Introduction

This document defines UC200A-GL module and describes its air interface and hardware interface which are connected with customers' applications.

This document helps customers quickly understand module interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details, as well as other related information of UC200A-GL module. Associated with application note and user guide, customers can use the module to design and set up mobile applications easily.

1.1. Special Marks

Table 1: Special Marks

Mark	Definition
*	Unless otherwise specified, when an asterisk (*) is used after a function, feature, interface, pin name, AT command, or argument, it indicates that the function, feature, interface, pin, AT command, or argument is under development and currently not supported; and the asterisk (*) after a model indicates that the sample of such model is currently unavailable.
[...]	Brackets ([...]) used after a pin enclosing a range of numbers indicate all pins of the same type. For example, SD_SDIO_DATA[0:3] refers to all four SD_SDIO_DATA pins, SD_SDIO_DATA0, SD_SDIO_DATA1, SD_SDIO_DATA2, and SD_SDIO_DATA3.

2 Product Overview

UC200A-GL is a WCDMA/GSM wireless communication module. Its general features are listed below:

- Supports HSDPA, HSUPA, HSPA+, WCDMA, EDGE and GPRS coverage.
- Provides audio support for customers' specific applications.

Table 2: Brief Introduction of the Module

Categories	
Packaging and pins number	80 LCC pins; 64 LGA pins
Dimensions	(29.0 ±0.15) mm × (32.0 ±0.15) mm × (2.4 ±0.2) mm
Weight	approx. 4.4 g
Wireless network functions	WCDMA/GSM

2.1. Frequency Bands and Functions

Table 3: Wireless Network Type

Type	UC200A-GL
WCDMA	B1/B2/B5/B8
GSM	850/900/1800/1900 MHz

2.2. Key Features

Table 4: Key Features

Features	Details
Power Supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supply voltage range: 3.4–4.5 V ● Typical supply voltage: 3.8 V
SMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Text and PDU modes. ● Point-to-point MO and MT. ● SMS cell broadcast. ● SMS storage: ME by default.
(U)SIM Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports (U)SIM card: 1.8/3.0 V.
Audio Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports one digital audio interface: PCM interface. ● GSM: HR/FR/EFR/AMR/AMR-WB ● WCDMA: AMR/AMR-WB ● Supports echo cancellation and noise suppression.
PCM Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Used for audio function with external Codec. ● Supports 16-bit linear data format. ● Supports short frame synchronization. ● Supports master and slave modes.
I2C Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports one digital I2C interface. ● Complies with I2C bus protocol specifications 100/400 kHz. ● The multi-host mode is not supported.
USB Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Compliant with USB 2.0 specification (slave only); the data transfer rate can reach up to 480 Mbps. ● Used for AT command communication, data transmission, software debugging and firmware upgrade. ● Supports USB serial driver for Windows 7/8/8.1/10, Linux 2.6–5.12 and Android 4.x–11.x systems.
SDIO Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports SD 3.0 protocol.
UART Interfaces	<p>Main UART:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Used for AT command communication and data transmission. ● Baud rate: 115200 bps by default, Max. 921600 bps. ● Supports RTS and CTS hardware flow control. <p>Debug UART:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Used for log output. ● Baud rate: 115200 bps.
Network Indication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NET_MODE and NET_STATUS to indicate network connectivity status.

AT Commands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Compliant with 3GPP TS 27.007, 3GPP TS 27.005 and Quectel enhanced AT commands.
Antenna Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Main antenna interface (ANT_MAIN). ● 50 Ω impedance.
Transmitting Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GSM850: Class 4 (33 dBm \pm2 dB) ● EGSM900: Class 4 (33 dBm \pm2 dB) ● DCS1800: Class 1 (30 dBm \pm2 dB) ● PCS1900: Class 1 (30 dBm \pm2 dB) ● GSM850 8-PSK: Class E2 (27 dBm \pm3 dB) ● EGSM900 8-PSK: Class E2 (27 dBm \pm3 dB) ● DCS1800 8-PSK: Class E2 (26 dBm \pm3 dB) ● PCS1900 8-PSK: Class E2 (26 dBm \pm3 dB) ● WCDMA: Class 3 (24 dBm +1/-3 dB)
UMTS Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports 3GPP R7 HSPA+/HSDPA/HSUPA and WCDMA. ● Supports QPSK/16QAM/64QAM modulation. ● HSPA+: Max 21 Mbps (DL). ● HSUPA: Max 5.76 Mbps (UL). ● WCDMA: Max 384 kbps (DL)/384 kbps (UL).
GSM Features	<p>GPRS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports GPRS multi-slot class 12. ● Coding scheme: CS 1-4. ● Max 85.6 Kbps (DL)/85.6 Kbps (UL). <p>EDGE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports EDGE multi-slot class 12. ● Supports GMSK and 8-PSK for different MCS (Modulation and Coding Scheme). ● Downlink coding schemes: MCS 1-9. ● Uplink coding schemes: MCS 1-9. ● Max 236.8 Kbps (DL)/236.8 Kbps (UL).
Internet Protocol Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Supports TCP/UDP/PPP/NTP/NITZ/FTP/HTTP/PING/CMUX/HTTPS /FTPS/SSL/FILE/MQTT/MMS/SMTP/SMTPTS protocols. ● Supports PAP and CHAP for PPP connections
Temperature Range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Operating temperature range ¹: -35 $^{\circ}$C to +75 $^{\circ}$C ● Extended temperature range ²: -40 $^{\circ}$C to +85 $^{\circ}$C ● Storage temperature range: -40 $^{\circ}$C to +90 $^{\circ}$C
Firmware Upgrade	Use USB interface or DFOTA to upgrade
RoHS	All hardware components are fully compliant with EU RoHS directive

¹ Within the operating temperature range, the module meets 3GPP specifications.

² Within the extended temperature range, the module remains the ability to establish and maintain functions such as voice, SMS, data transmission, etc., without any unrecoverable malfunction. Radio spectrum and radio network are not influenced, while one or more specifications, such as P_{out} , may exceed the specified tolerances of 3GPP. When the temperature returns to the operating temperature range, the module meets 3GPP specifications again.

2.3. Pin Assignment

The following figure illustrates the pin assignment of the module.

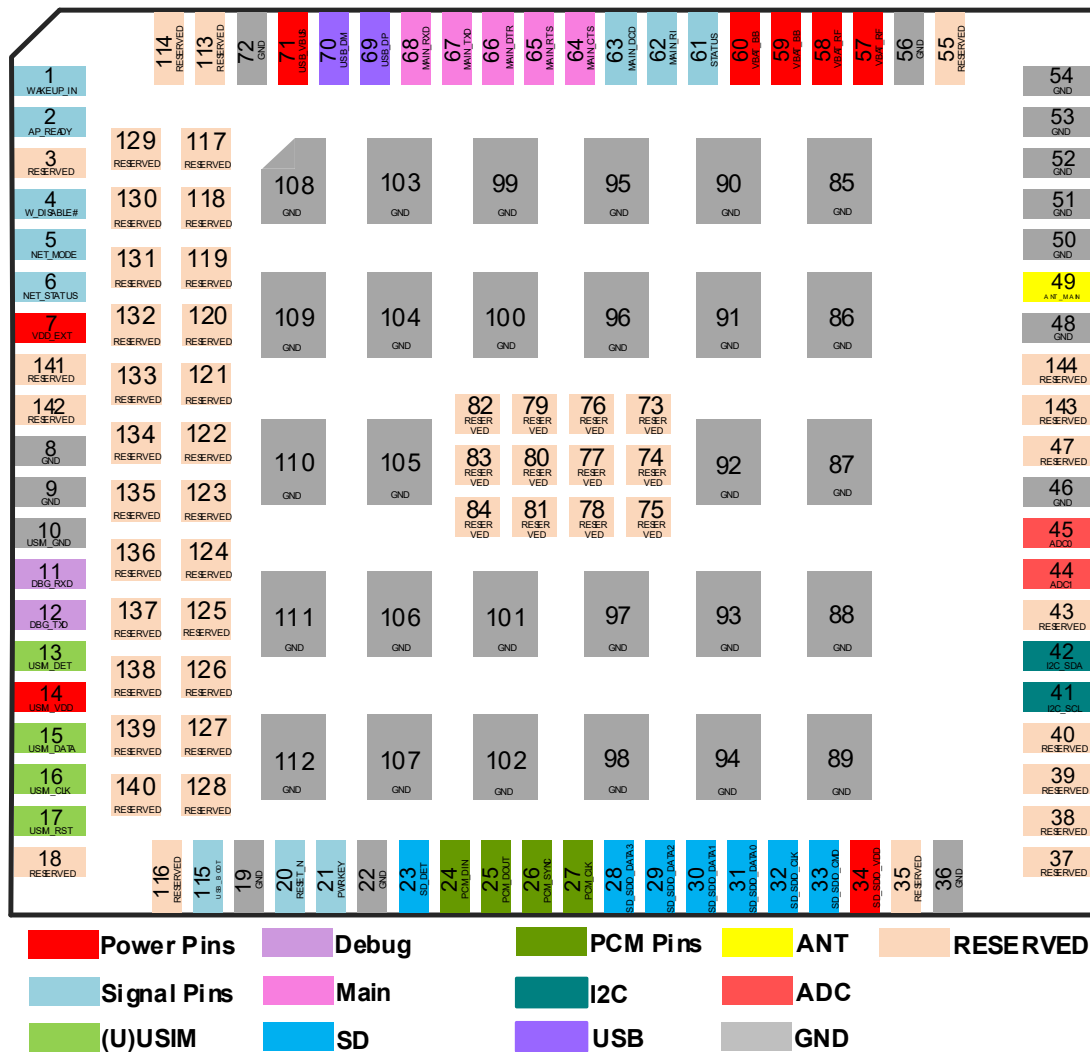


Figure 1: Pin Assignment (Top View)

NOTE

1. USB_BOOT cannot be pulled up before startup.
2. Other unused and RESERVED pins are kept open, and all GND pins are connected to the ground network.

2.4. Pin Description

The following table shows the DC characteristics and pin descriptions.

Table 5: I/O Parameters Definition

Type	Description
AI	Analog Input
AIO	Analog Input/Output
DI	Digital Input
DO	Digital Output
DIO	Digital Input/Output
OD	Open Drain
PI	Power Input
PO	Power Output

Table 6: Pin Description

Power Supply					
Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
VBAT_BB	59, 60	PI	Power supply for the module's baseband part	Vmax = 4.5 V Vmin = 3.4 V Vnom = 3.8 V	It must be provided with sufficient current up to 0.8 A.
VBAT_RF	57, 58	PI	Power supply for the module's RF part		It must be provided with sufficient current up to 1.8 A.

VDD_EXT	7	PO	Provide 1.8 V for external circuit	Vnom = 1.8 V Iomax = 50 mA	It can provide a pull-up power to the external GPIO. If unused, keep it open.
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Turn On/Off

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
PWRKEY	21	DI	Turn on/off the module	VILmax = 0.5 V	VBAT power domain. Active low.
RESET_N	20	DI	Reset the module		1.8 V power domain. Active low after turn-on.

Indication Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
STATUS	61	OD	Indicate the module's operation status	VOHmin = 1.35 V VOLmax = 0.45 V	External pull to 1.8 V. If unused, keep it open.
NET_STATUS	6	DO	Indicate the module's network activity status		1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
NET_MODE	5	DO	Indicate the module's network registration mode		

USB Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
USB_VBUS	71	AI	USB connection detect	Vmax = 5.25 V Vmin = 3.0 V Vnom = 5.0 V	Typ. 5.0 V. If unused, keep it open.
USB_DP	69	AIO	USB differential data (+)		90 Ω differential impedance. USB 2.0 compliant.
USB_DM	70	AIO	USB differential data (-)		If unused, keep it open.

(U)SIM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
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USIM_VDD	14	PO	(U)SIM card power supply	1.8 V (U)SIM: $V_{max} = 1.9\text{ V}$ $V_{min} = 1.7\text{ V}$ 3.0 V (U)SIM: $V_{max} = 3.05\text{ V}$ $V_{min} = 2.7\text{ V}$	Either 1.8 V or 3.0 V (U)SIM card is supported and can be identified automatically by the module.
USIM_DATA	15	DIO	(U)SIM card data	1.8 V (U)SIM: $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$ 3.0 V (U)SIM: $V_{ILmax} = 1.0\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.95\text{ V}$ $V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 2.55\text{ V}$	
USIM_CLK	16	DO	(U)SIM card clock	1.8 V (U)SIM: $V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	
USIM_RST	17	DO	(U)SIM card reset	3.0 V (U)SIM: $V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 2.55\text{ V}$	
USIM_DET	13	DI	(U)SIM card hot-plug detect	$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.

SD Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
SD_SDIO_CLK	32	DO	SD card SDIO clock		
SD_SDIO_CMD	33	DIO	SD card SDIO command		
SD_SDIO_DATA0	31	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 0		1.8/2.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
SD_SDIO_DATA1	30	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 1		
SD_SDIO_DATA2	29	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 2		
SD_SDIO_DATA3	28	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 3		
SD_SDIO_VDD	34	PO	SD card SDIO power supply		
SD_DET*	23	DI	SD card detect		1.8 V power domain.

If unused, keep it open.

Main UART Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
MAIN_RI	62	DO	Main UART ring indication		
MAIN_DCD	63	DO	Main UART data carrier detect	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	
MAIN_CTS	64	DO	DTE clear to send (Connect to DTE's CTS)		1.8 V power domain.
MAIN_RTS	65	DI	DTE request to send (Connect to DTE's RTS)	$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$	If unused, keep it open.
MAIN_DTR	66	DI	Main UART data terminal ready	$V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$	
MAIN_RXD	68	DI	Main UART receive	$V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	
MAIN_TXD	67	DO	Main UART transmit	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	

Debug UART Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
DBG_RXD	11	DI	Debug UART transmit	$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
DBG_TXD	12	DO	Debug UART receive	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	

I2C Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
I2C_SCL	41	OD	I2C serial clock		Used for external Codec.
I2C_SDA	42	OD	I2C serial data		An external 1.8 V pull-up resistor is needed. If unused, keep it open.

PCM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
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PCM_SYNC	26	DIO	PCM data frame sync		1.8 V power domain.
				$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	In master mode, it serves as an output signal.
PCM_CLK	27	DIO	PCM clock	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	In slave mode, it is used as an input signal. If unused, keep it open.
PCM_DIN	24	DI	PCM data input	$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
PCM_DOUT	25	DO	PCM data output	$V_{OLmax} = 0.45\text{ V}$ $V_{OHmin} = 1.35\text{ V}$	

RF Antenna Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
ANT_MAIN	49	AIO	Main antenna interface		

ADC Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
ADC0	45	AI	General-purpose ADC interface	Voltage Range: 0 V–VBAT_BB	If unused, keep it open.
ADC1	44	AI			

Other Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
USB_BOOT	115	DI	Forces the module to enter emergency download mode	$V_{ILmin} = -0.3\text{ V}$ $V_{ILmax} = 0.6\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmin} = 1.2\text{ V}$ $V_{IHmax} = 2.0\text{ V}$	1.8 V power domain. Active High. It is recommended to reserve test points.
WAKEUP_IN*	1	DI	Wake up the module		1.8 V power domain.
AP_READY	2	DI	Application processor ready		If unused, keep it open.
W_DISABLE#	4	DI	Airplane mode control		1.8 V power domain.

Pull-up by default.
 In low voltage level, module can enter into airplane mode.
 If unused, keep it open.

GND
Pin Name
Pin No.

GND

8, 9, 10, 19, 22, 36, 46, 48, 50–54, 56, 72, 85–112

RESERVED Pins
Pin Name
Pin No.
Comment

RESERVED

3, 18, 35, 37–40, 43, 47, 55, 73–84, 113, 114, 116–144

Keep these pins open.

2.5. EVB

In order to help customers to develop applications with the module conveniently, Quectel supplies an evaluation board (UMTS & LTE EVB), USB to RS-232 converter cable, earphone, antenna, and other peripherals to control or to test the module. For more details, see **document [1]**.

3 Operating Characteristics

3.1. Operating Modes

The table below outlines operating modes of the module.

Table 7: Overview of Operating Modes

Mode	Details	
Normal Operation	Idle	Software is active. The module is registered on the network and ready to send and receive data.
	Talk/Data	Network connection is ongoing. In this mode, the power consumption is decided by network setting and data transfer rate.
Minimum Functionality Mode	AT+CFUN=0 can set the module to a minimum functionality mode. In this case, both RF function and (U)SIM card will be invalid.	
Airplane Mode	AT+CFUN=4 or W_DISABLE# pin can set the module to airplane mode. In this case, RF function will be invalid.	
Sleep Mode	In this mode, current consumption of the module will be reduced to the minimal level. The module can still receive paging, SMS, voice call and TCP/UDP data from network.	
Power Down Mode	In this mode, the VBAT power supply is constantly turned on and the software stops working.	

3.2. Sleep Mode

In sleep mode, the module can reduce power consumption to a very low level, the following section describes power saving procedures of UC200A-GL module.

3.2.1. UART Application

If the host communicates with module via UART interface, the following preconditions should be met to enable the module enter sleep mode.

- Execute **AT+QSCLK=1** to enable sleep mode.
- Drive MAIN_DTR to high level.

The following figure shows the connection between the module and the host.

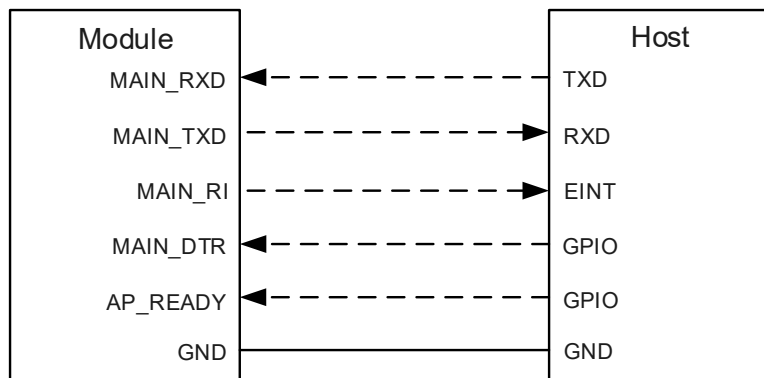


Figure 2: Sleep Mode Application via UART

- Driving MAIN_DTR to low level by host will wake up the module.
- When the module has a URC to report, the URC will trigger the behavior of MAIN_RI pin. Please refer to **Chapter 4.9** for details about MAIN_RI behavior.

3.2.2. USB Application with USB Remote Wakeup Function

If the host supports USB Suspend/Resume and remote wakeup functions, the following three preconditions must be met to let the module enter sleep mode.

- Execute **AT+QSCLK=1** to enable the sleep mode.
- Ensure the MAIN_DTR is kept at high level or kept open.
- The host's USB bus, which is connected with the module's USB interface, enters Suspend state.

The following figure shows the connection between the module and the host.

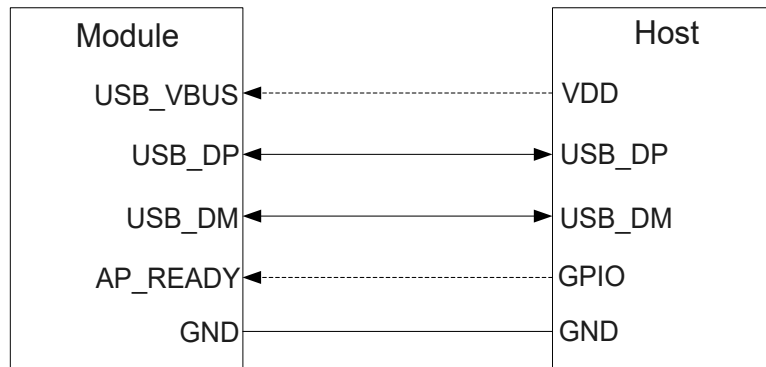


Figure 3: Sleep Mode Application with USB Remote Wakeup

- Sending data to the module through USB will wake up the module.
- When the module has a URC to report, the module will send remote wakeup signals via USB bus to wake up the host.

NOTE

The AP_READY is active low and the default state is high.

3.2.2.1. USB Application with USB Suspend/Resume and MAIN_RI Wakeup Function

If the host supports USB Suspend/Resume, but does not support remote wakeup function, the MAIN_RI signal is needed to wake up the host. There are three preconditions to let the module enter sleep mode.

- Execute **AT+QSCLK=1** to enable the sleep mode.
- Ensure the MAIN_DTR is held at high level or kept open.
- The host’s USB bus, which is connected with the module’s USB interface, enters Suspend state.

The following figure shows the connection between the module and the host.

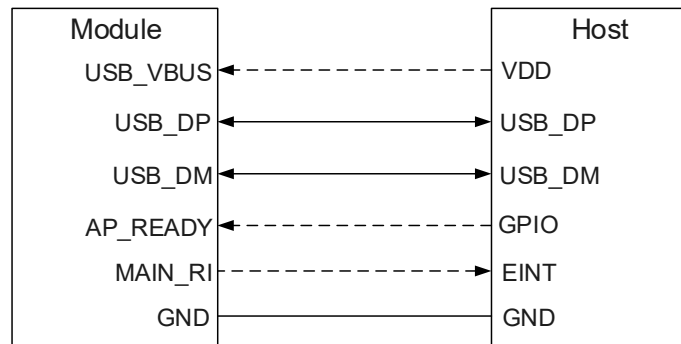


Figure 4: Sleep Mode Application with MAIN_RI

- Sending data to UC200A-GL through USB will wake up the module.
- When UC200A-GL has a URC to report, the URC will trigger the behavior of MAIN_RI pin. Please refer to **Chapter 4.9** for details about MAIN_RI behavior.

3.2.2.2. USB Application without USB Suspend Function

If the host does not support USB Suspend function, please disconnect USB_VBUS with additional control circuit to let the module enter into sleep mode.

- Execute **AT+QSCLK=1** to enable the sleep mode.
- Ensure the MAIN_DTR is held at high level or kept open.
- Disconnect USB_VBUS.

The following figure shows the connection between the module and the host.

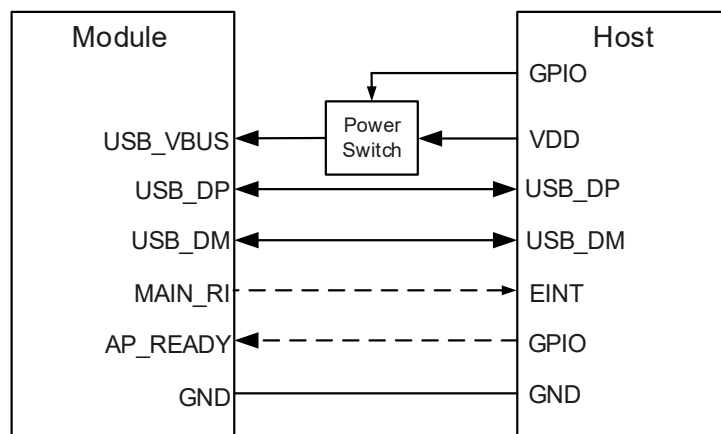


Figure 5: Sleep Mode Application without Suspend Function

Turn on the power switch and supply power to USB_VBUS will wake up the module.

NOTE

Please pay attention to the level match shown in dotted line between the module and the host.

3.3. Airplane Mode

When the module enters into airplane mode, the RF function will be disabled, and all AT commands related to it will be inaccessible. This mode can be set via the following ways.

3.3.1. Hardware

The W_DISABLE# pin is pulled up by default. Its control function for airplane mode is disabled by default, and **AT+QCFG="airplanecontrol",1** can be used to enable the function. Driving the pin to low level can make the module enter airplane mode.

3.3.2. Software

AT+CFUN=<fun> command provides choices of the functionality level through setting **<fun>** into 0, 1 or 4.

- **AT+CFUN=0**: minimum functionality mode (both (U)SIM and RF functions are disabled).
- **AT+CFUN=1**: full functionality mode (by default).
- **AT+CFUN=4**: airplane mode (RF function is disabled.).

3.4. Power Supply

3.4.1. Power Supply Interfaces

The module provides four VBAT pins dedicated to the connection with the external power supply. There are two separate voltage domains for VBAT.

- Two VBAT_RF pins for module's RF part
- Two VBAT_BB pins for module's baseband part

The following table shows the details of power supply and GND pins.

Table 8: Pin Definition of Power Supply

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
VBAT_BB	59, 60	PI	Power supply for the module's baseband part	It must be provided with sufficient current up to 0.8 A.
VBAT_RF	57, 58	PI	Power supply for the module's RF part	It must be provided with sufficient current up to 1.8 A.
VDD_EXT	7	PO	Provide 1.8 V for external circuit	It can provide a pull-up power to the external GPIO. If unused, keep it open.

3.4.2. Reference Design for Power Supply

The performance of the module largely depends on the power source. The power supply of the module should be able to provide sufficient current of 3 A at least. If the voltage drops between input and output is not too high, it is suggested that an LDO should be used to supply power to the module. If there is a big voltage difference between input and the desired output VBAT, a buck converter is preferred as the power supply.

The following figure shows a reference design for +5 V input power source. The design uses the LDO MIC29302WU from Micrel company. The typical output of the power supply is about 3.8 V and the maximum load current is 3.0 A.

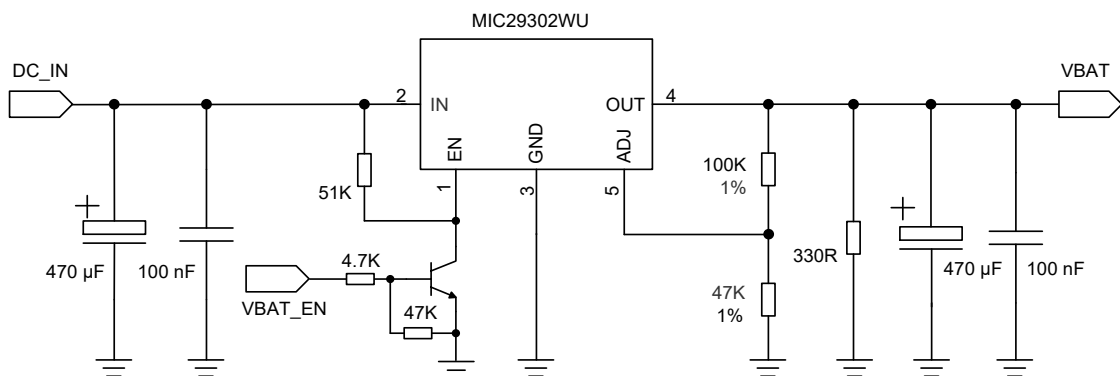


Figure 6: Reference Design of Power Supply

NOTE

1. If you use the module that does not support the GSM band, a power supply capable of providing at least 2 A can be used in the design.
2. It is recommended to design switch control for power supply.

3.4.3. Requirements for Voltage Stability

The power supply range of the module is from 3.4 V to 4.5 V. Please make sure the input voltage will never drop below 3.4 V.

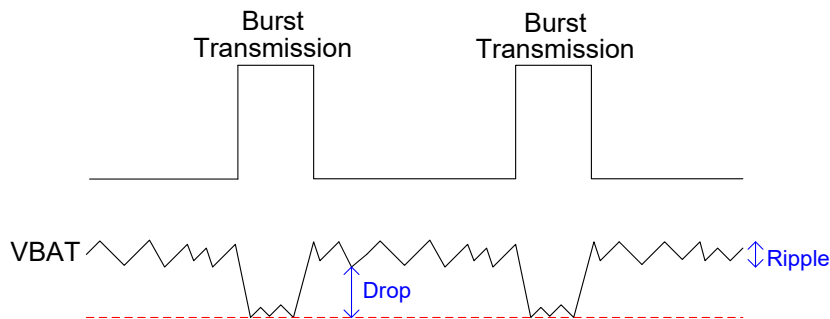


Figure 7: Power Supply Limits during Burst Transmission

To decrease voltage drop, a bypass capacitor of about 100 μ F with low ESR (ESR = 0.7 Ω) should be used, and a multi-layer ceramic chip (MLCC) capacitor array should also be reserved due to its ultra-low ESR. It is recommended to use three ceramic capacitors (100 nF, 33 pF, 10 pF) for composing the MLCC array, and place these capacitors close to the VBAT_BB and VBAT_RF pins. The main power supply from an external application has to be a single voltage source and can be expanded to two sub paths with star structure. The width of VBAT_BB trace should be no less than 1 mm; and the width of VBAT_RF trace should be no less than 2 mm. In principle, the longer the VBAT trace is, the wider it will be.

In addition, in order to ensure the stability of power source, it is suggested that a TVS diode of which reverse stand-off voltage is 4.7 V and peak pulse power is up to 2550 W should be used. The following figure shows the star structure of the power supply.

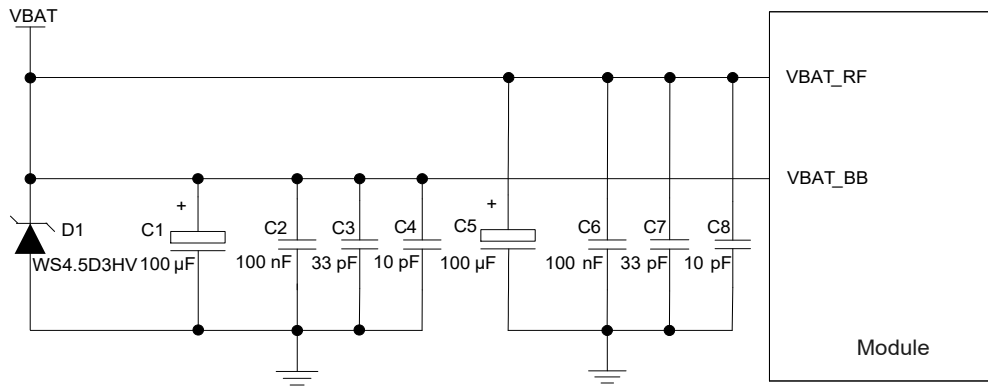


Figure 8: Star Structure of the Power Supply

3.5. Turn On

3.5.1. Turn on the Module with PWRKEY

Table 9: Pin Definition of PWRKEY

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
PWRKEY	21	DI	Turn on/off the module	VBAT power domain. Active low.

When the module is in power down mode, it can be turned on to normal mode by driving the PWRKEY pin to a low level for at least 500 ms. It is recommended to use an open drain/collector driver to control the PWRKEY. A simple reference circuit is illustrated in the following figure.

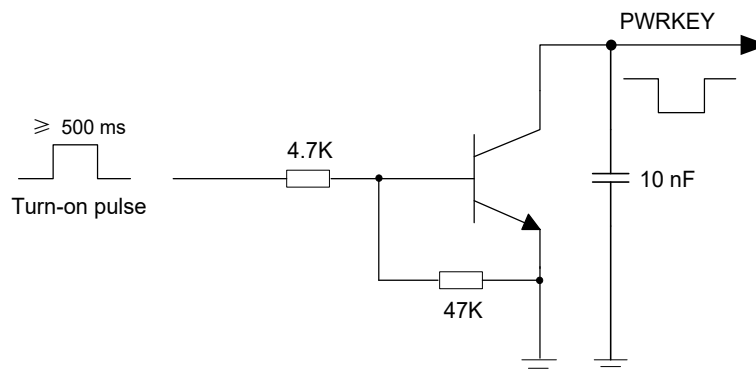


Figure 9: Turning on the Module Using Driving Circuit

Another way to control the PWRKEY is using a button directly. When pressing the button, electrostatic strike may generate from finger. Therefore, a TVS component is indispensable to be placed nearby the button for ESD protection. A reference circuit is shown in the following figure.

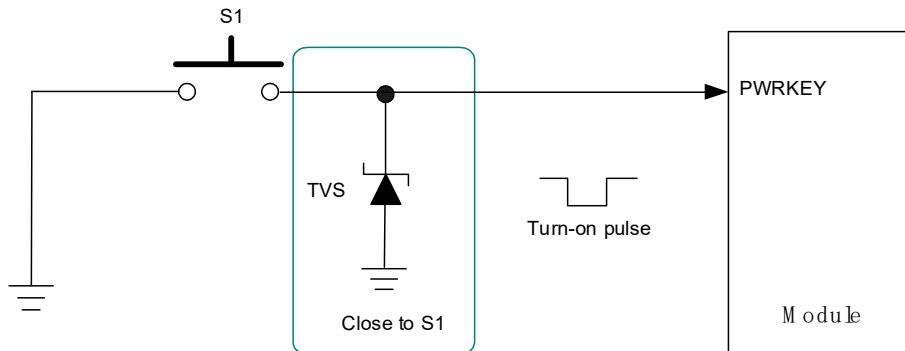


Figure 10: Turning on the Module with a Button

The power up scenario is illustrated in the following figure.

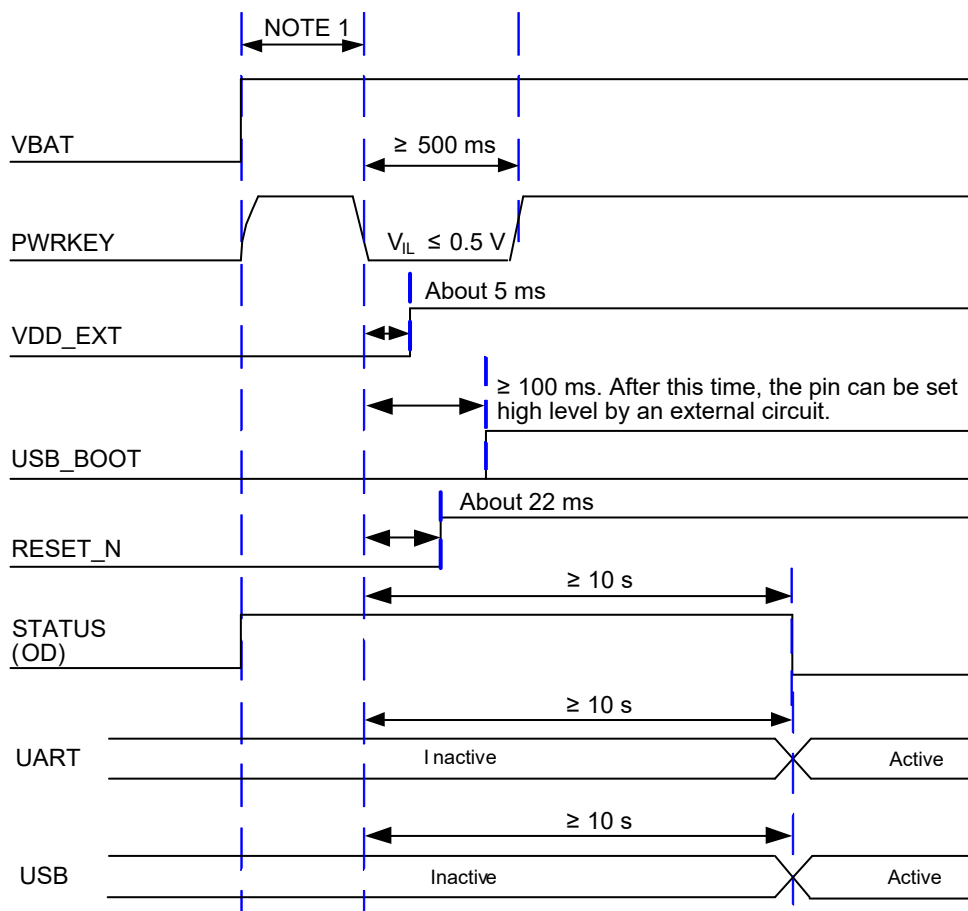


Figure 11: Power-up Timing

NOTE

1. Make sure that VBAT is stable before pulling down PWRKEY pin. It is recommended that the time difference between powering up VBAT and pulling down PWRKEY pin is no less than 30 ms.
2. PWRKEY can be pulled down directly to GND with a recommended 4.7 kΩ resistor if module needs to be powered on automatically and shutdown is not needed.

3.6. Turn Off

The following procedures can be used to turn off the module.

3.6.1. Turn off the Module with PWRKEY

Driving the PWRKEY to a low-level voltage for at least 650 ms, then the module will execute power-down procedure after the PWRKEY is released. The timing of turning off the module is illustrated in the following figure.

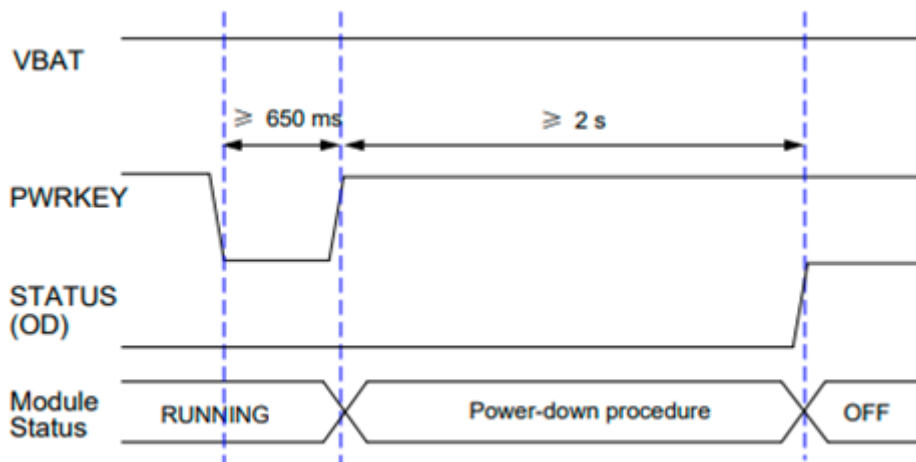


Figure 12: Timing of Turning off Module

3.6.2. Turn off the Module with AT Command

It is safe to use **AT+QPOWD** to turn off the module, which is equal to turn off the module via PWRKEY Pin.

See *document [2]* for details about **AT+QPOWD**.

NOTE

1. To avoid damaging internal flash, do not switch off the power supply when the module works normally. Only after shutting down the module with PWRKEY or AT command can you cut off the power supply.
2. When turning off module with the AT command, please keep PWRKEY at high level after the execution of the command. Otherwise, the module will be turned on again after successfully turn-off.

3.7. Reset

The module can be reset by driving the RESET_N low for at least 300 ms and then releasing it. The RESET_N signal is sensitive to interference, so it is recommended to route the trace as short as possible and surround it with ground.

Table 10: Pin Definition of RESET

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
RESET_N	20	DI	Reset the module	1.8 V power domain. Active low after turn-on.

The recommended circuit is equal to the PWRKEY control circuit. An open drain/collector driver or button can be used to control the RESET_N.

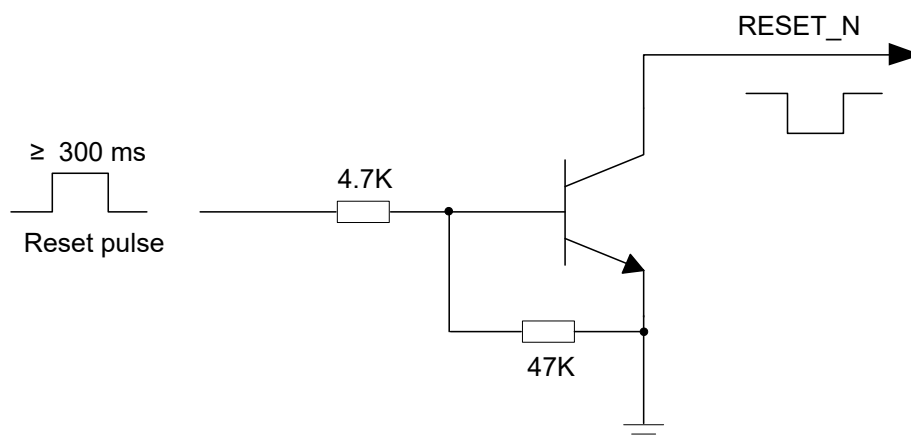


Figure 13: Reference Circuit of RESET_N with Driving Circuit

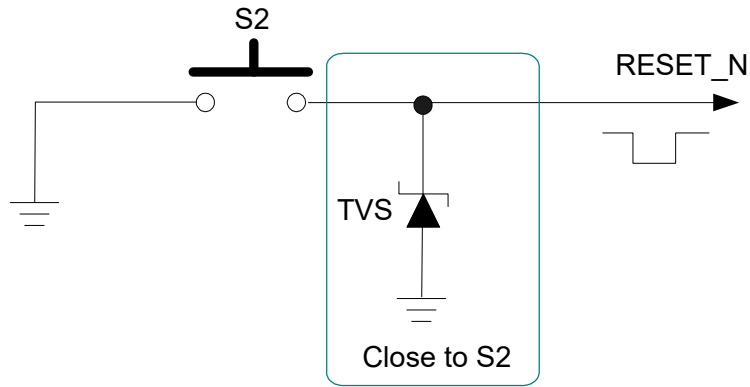


Figure 14: Reference Circuit of RESET_N with Button

The timing of resetting module is illustrated in the following figure.

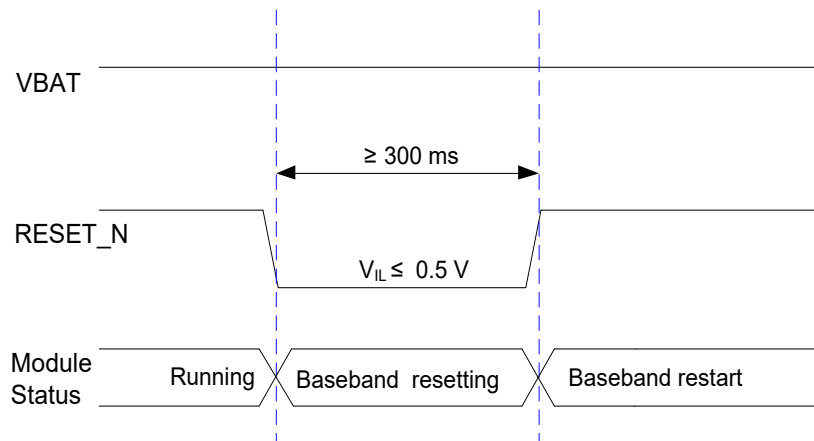


Figure 15: Timing of Resetting Module

NOTE

1. Please ensure that there is no large capacitance with the max value exceeding 10 nF on PWRKEY and RESET_N pins.
2. RESET_N only resets the internal baseband chip of the module and does not reset the power management chip.

4 Application Interfaces

4.1. USB Interface

UC200A-GL provides one integrated Universal Serial Bus (USB) interface which complies with the USB 2.0 specification and supports full-speed (12 Mbps) and high-speed (480 Mbps) modes. The USB interface can only serve as a slave device and is used for AT command communication, data transmission, software debugging and firmware upgrade. The following table shows the pin definition of USB interface.

Table 11: Functions of the USB Interface

Functions	
AT command communication	YES
Data transmission	YES
Software debugging	YES
Firmware upgrade	YES

Pin definition of the USB interface is here as follows:

Table 12: Pin Definition of USB Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
USB_VBUS	71	AI	USB connection detect	Typ. 5.0 V. If unused, keep it open.
USB_DP	69	AIO	USB differential data (+)	90 Ω differential impedance. USB 2.0 compliant.
USB_DM	70	AIO	USB differential data (-)	If unused, keep it open.

It is recommended to reserve test points for debugging and firmware upgrade in your designs. The following figure shows a reference circuit of USB interface.

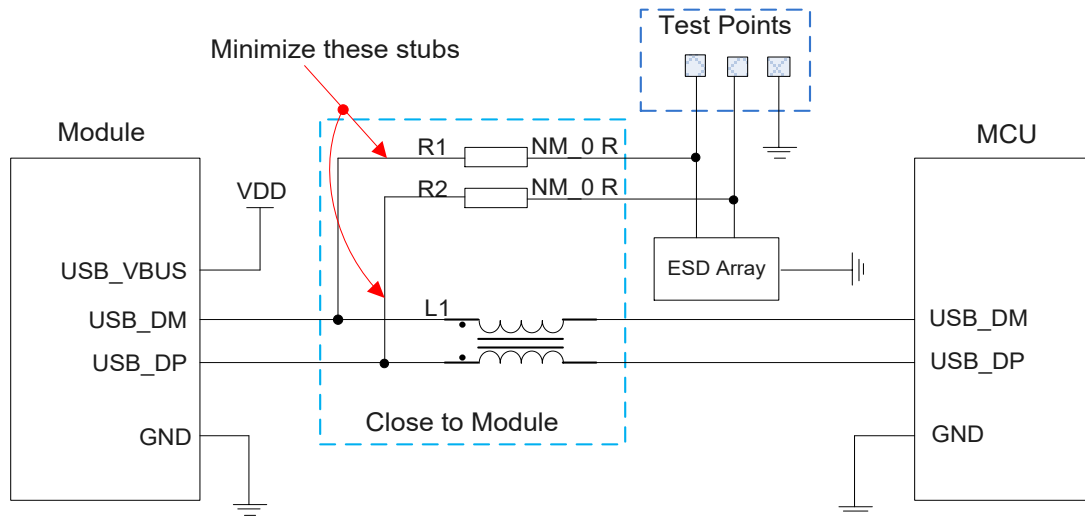


Figure 16: Reference Circuit of USB Application

A common mode choke L1 is recommended to be added in series between the module and your MCU in order to suppress EMI spurious transmission. Meanwhile, the 0 Ω resistors (R1 and R2) should be added in series between the module and the test points to facilitate debugging, and the resistors are not mounted by default. In order to ensure the integrity of USB data line signal, L1, R1 and R2 components must be placed close to the module, and R1 and R2 should be placed close to each other. The extra stubs of trace must be as short as possible.

The following principles should be complied with when designing the USB interface, to meet USB specifications.

- It is important to route the USB signal traces as differential pairs with ground surrounded. The impedance of USB differential trace is 90 Ω.
- Do not route signal traces under crystals, oscillators, magnetic devices, PCIe and RF signal traces. It is important to route the USB differential traces in inner-layer of the PCB, and surround the traces with ground on that layer and ground planes above and below.
- Junction capacitance of the ESD protection device might cause influences on USB data lines, so please pay attention to the selection of the device. Typically, the stray capacitance should be less than 2 pF for USB.
- If possible, reserve a 0 Ω resistor on USB_DP and USB_DM lines respectively.

For more details about the USB specifications, please visit <http://www.usb.org/home>.

4.2. USB_BOOT Interface

The module provides a USB_BOOT pin. You can pull up USB_BOOT to VDD_EXT before powering on the module, thus the module will enter emergency download mode when powered on. In this mode, the module supports firmware upgrade over USB interface.

Table 13: Pin Definition of USB_BOOT Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
USB_BOOT	115	DI	Forces the module to enter download mode	1.8 V power domain. Active High. It is recommended to reserve test points.

The following figure shows a reference circuit of USB_BOOT interface.

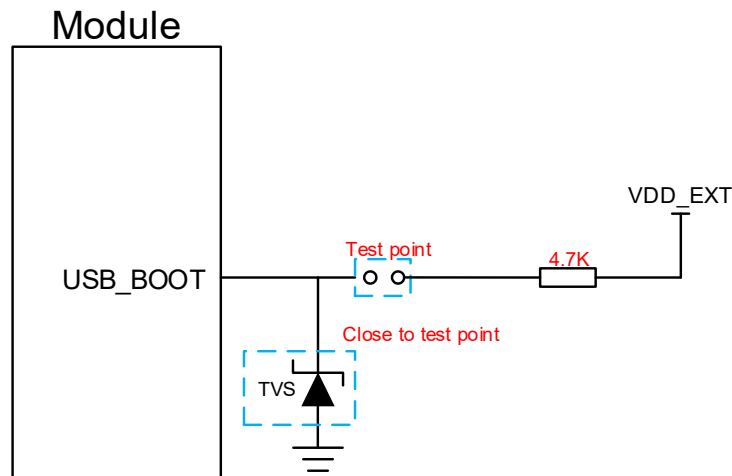


Figure 17: Reference Circuit of USB_BOOT Interface

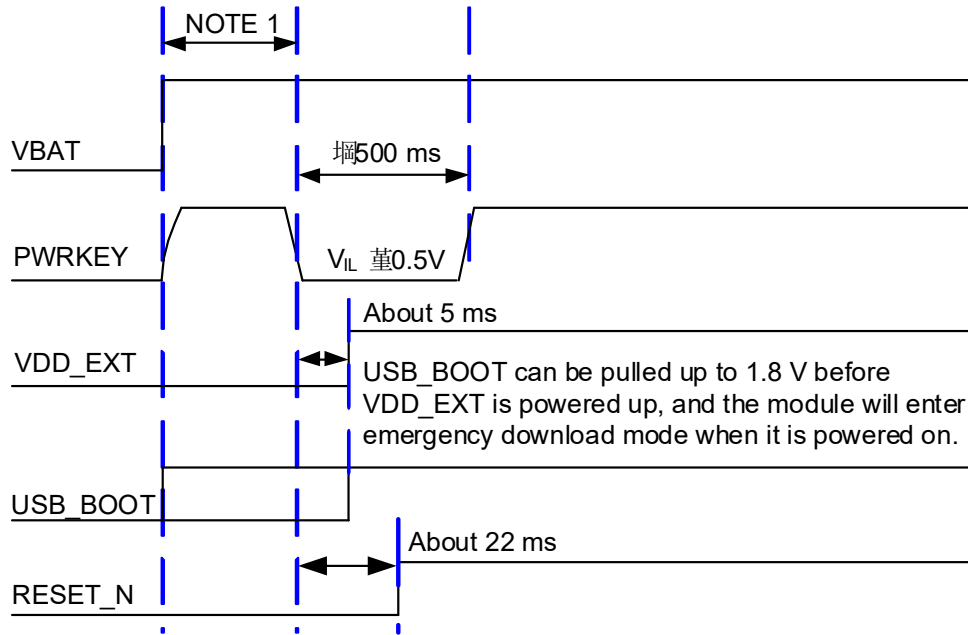


Figure 18: Timing Sequence for Entering Emergency Download Mode

NOTE

1. Please make sure that VBAT is stable before pulling down PWRKEY pin. It is recommended that the time between powering up VBAT and pulling down PWRKEY pin is no less than 30 ms.
2. When using MCU to control module to enter the emergency download mode, please follow the above timing sequence. It is not recommended to pull up FORCE_USB_BOOT to 1.8 V before powering up VBAT. Directly connect the test points as shown in **Figure 17** can manually force the module into download mode.
3. USB_BOOT cannot be pulled up before startup.

4.3. (U)SIM Interface

The (U)SIM interface circuitry meets ETSI and IMT-2000 requirements. Both 1.8 V and 3.0 V (U)SIM cards are supported.

Table 14: Pin Definition of (U)SIM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
USIM_VDD	14	PO	(U)SIM card power supply	Either 1.8 V or 3.0 V (U)SIM

USIM_DATA	15	DIO	(U)SIM card data	card is supported and can be identified automatically by the module.
USIM_CLK	16	DO	(U)SIM card clock	
USIM_RST	17	DO	(U)SIM card reset	
USIM_DET	13	DI	(U)SIM card hot-plug detect	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.

The module supports (U)SIM card hot-plug via the USIM_DET pin, the function supports low-level and high-level detections. By default, it is disabled, and can be configured via **AT+QSIMDET**. Refer to **document [2]** for details about the command.

The reference circuit of the 8-pin (U)SIM interface is as follows.

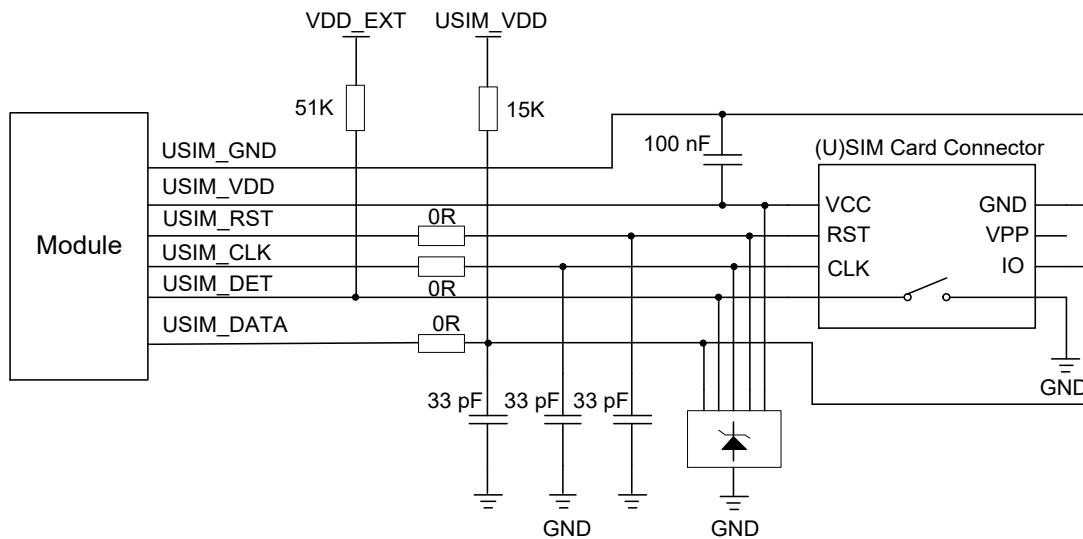


Figure 19: Reference Circuit of (U)SIM Interface with an 8-pin (U)SIM Card Connector

If (U)SIM card detection function is not needed, please keep USIM_DET unconnected. A reference circuit for (U)SIM interface with a 6-pin (U)SIM card connector is illustrated in the following figure.

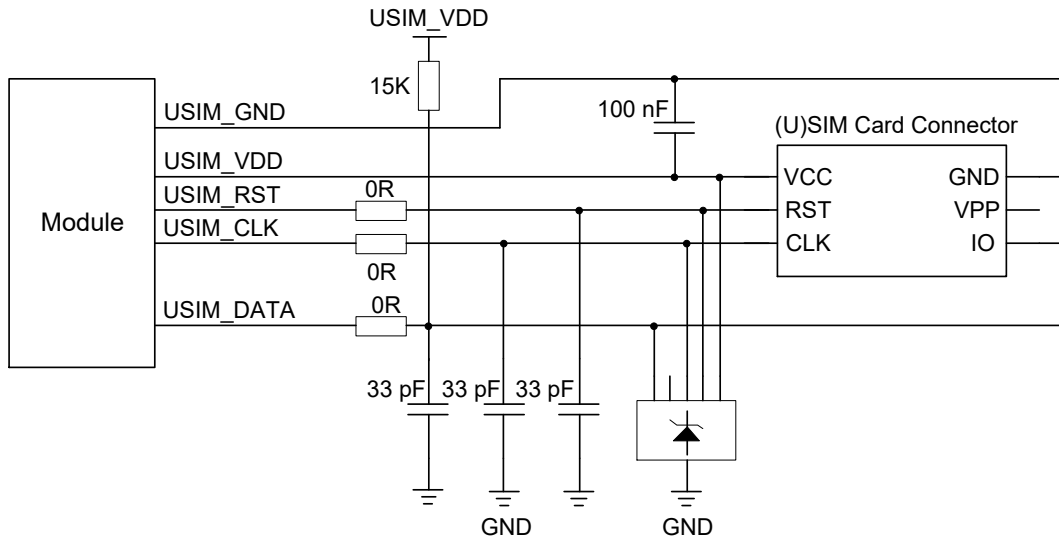


Figure 20: Reference Circuit of (U)SIM Interface with a 6-pin (U)SIM Card Connector

In order to enhance the reliability and availability of the (U)SIM card in applications, please follow the criteria below in (U)SIM circuit design.

- Keep (U)SIM card connector as close as possible to the module. Keep the trace length as less than 200 mm as possible.
- Keep (U)SIM card signal traces away from RF and VCC traces.
- USIM_VDD maximum bypass capacitor does not exceed 1 μ F.
- Ensure the ground between the module and the (U)SIM card connector short and wide. Keep the trace width of ground and USIM_VDD no less than 0.5 mm to maintain the same electric potential.
- To avoid cross-talk between USIM_DATA and USIM_CLK, keep them away from each other and shield them with ground surrounded.
- In order to offer good ESD protection, it is recommended to add a TVS diode array whose parasitic capacitance should not be more than 15 pF. The 0 Ω resistors should be added in series between the module and the (U)SIM card to facilitate debugging. The 33 pF capacitors on the USIM_DATA, USIM_CLK and USIM_RST trances are used for filtering interference. Please note that the (U)SIM peripheral circuit should be close to the (U)SIM card connector.
- The pull-up resistor on USIM_DATA can improve anti-jamming capability of the (U)SIM card. If the (U)SIM card traces are too long, or the interference source is relatively close, it is recommended to add a pull-up resistor near the (U)SIM card connector.

4.4. PCM and I2C Interface

The module provides one Pulse Code Modulation (PCM) digital interface for audio design, which supports the primary mode (short frame synchronization) and the module works as both master and slave.

The module can only be used as primary devices in applications related to I2C interfaces.

In short frame mode, the data is sampled on the falling edge of the PCM_CLK and transmitted on the rising edge. The PCM_SYNC falling edge represents the MSB. In this mode, the PCM interface supports 256 kHz, 512 kHz, 1024 kHz, 2048 kHz PCM_CLK at 8 kHz PCM_SYNC, and also supports 4069 kHz PCM_CLK at 16 kHz PCM_SYNC.

The module supports a 16-bit linear encoding format. The following figure shows the sequence diagram of short frame mode. (PCM_SYNC = 8 kHz, PCM_CLK = 2048 kHz).

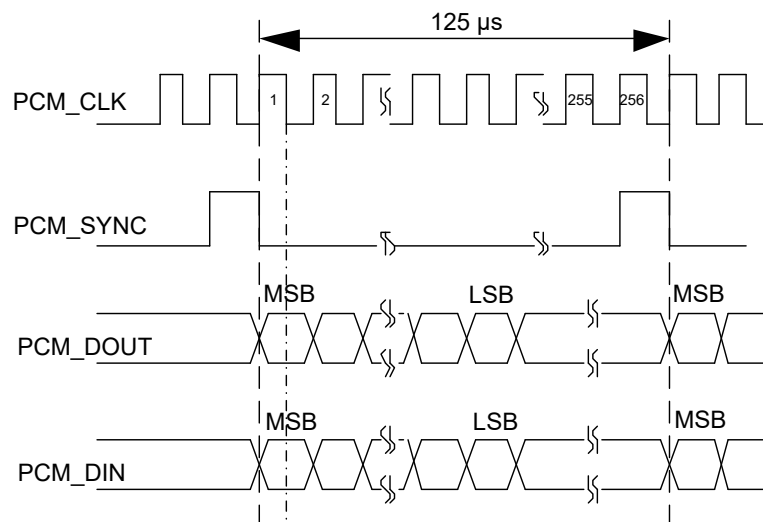


Figure 21: Timing Sequence for Short frame mode

Table 15: Pin Definition of PCM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
PCM_SYNC	26	DIO	PCM data frame sync	1.8 V power domain. In master mode, it serves as an output signal.
PCM_CLK	27	DIO	PCM clock	In slave mode, it is used as an input signal. If unused, keep it open.

PCM_DIN	24	DI	PCM data input	1.8 V power domain.
PCM_DOUT	25	DO	PCM data output	If unused, keep it open.

Table 16: Pin Definition of I2C Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
I2C_SCL	41	OD	I2C serial clock	Used for external Codec.
I2C_SDA	42	OD	I2C serial data	An external 1.8 V pull-up resistor is needed.

Clock and mode can be configured by AT command, and the default configuration is short frame synchronization format with 2048 kHz PCM_CLK and 8 kHz PCM_SYNC.

The following is a reference design for the PCM and I2C interfaces with external Codec chip

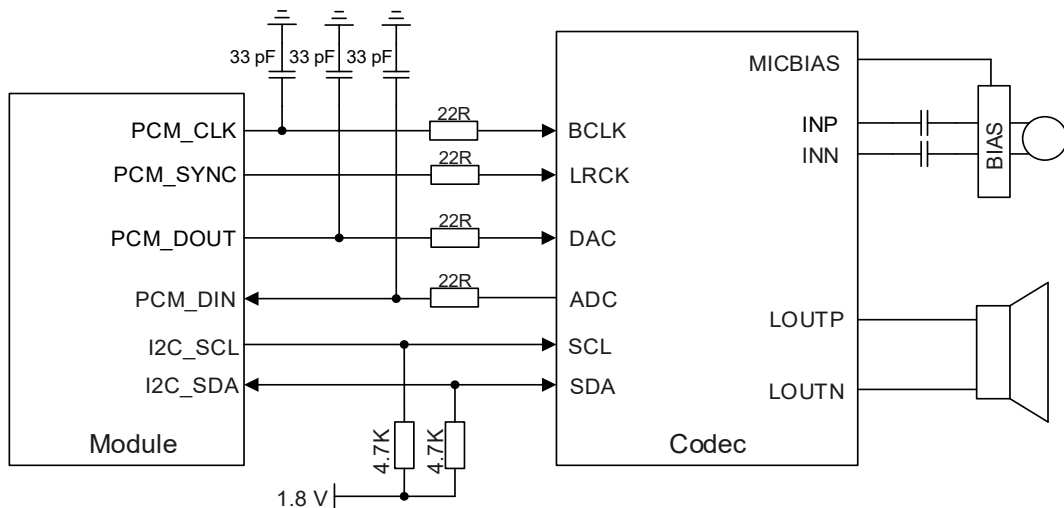


Figure 22: PCM and I2C Interface Circuit Reference Design

NOTE

It is recommended to reserve the RC (R = 22 Ω, C = 33 pF) circuit on the PCM signal line and the capacitor should be placed close to the module, especially on PCM_CLK.

4.5. UART Interface

The module provides two UART interfaces: the main UART interface and the debug UART interface. The following shows their features.

- The main UART interface supports 4800 bps, 9600 bps, 19200 bps, 38400 bps, 57600 bps, 115200 bps, 230400 bps, 460800 bps, 921600 bps baud rates, and the baud rate is 115200 bps by default. This interface is used for data transmission and AT command communication. Also, it supports RTS and CTS hardware flow control.
- The debug UART interface supports 115200 bps baud rate. It is used for the output of partial logs.

Table 17: Pin Definition of Main UART Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
MAIN_RI	62	DO	Main UART ring indication	
MAIN_DCD	63	DO	Main UART data carrier detect	
MAIN_CTS	64	DO	DTE clear to send signal from DCE (Connect to DTE's CTS)	
MAIN_RTS	65	DI	DTE request to send signal to DCE (Connect to DTE's RTS)	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
MAIN_DTR	66	DI	Main UART data terminal ready	
MAIN_RXD	68	DI	Main UART receive	
MAIN_TXD	67	DO	Main UART transmit	

Table 18: Pin Definition of Debug UART Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
DBG_RXD	11	DI	Debug UART transmit	1.8 V power domain.
DBG_TXD	12	DO	Debug UART receive	If unused, keep it open.

The module provides a 1.8 V UART interface. A level translator should be used if the application is equipped with a 3.3 V UART interface. A level translator TXS0108EPWR provided by *Texas Instruments* is recommended. The following figure shows a reference design.

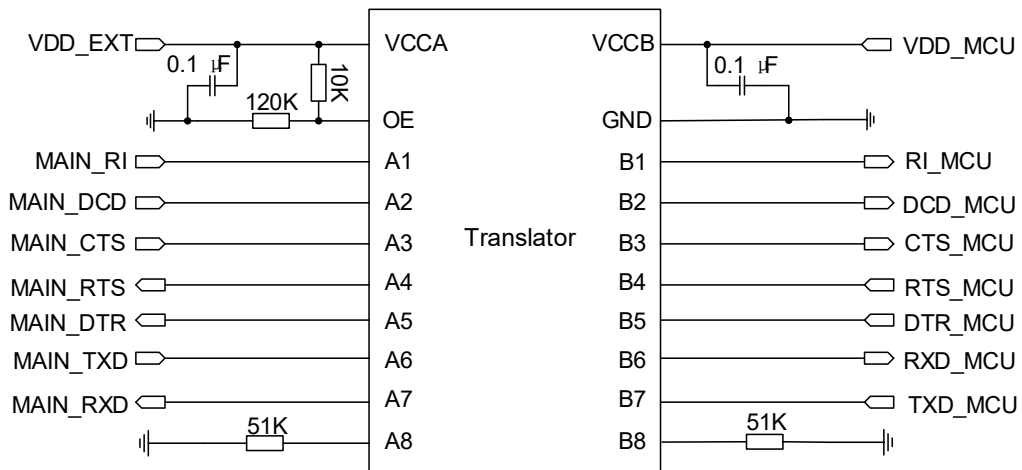


Figure 23: Reference Circuit with Translator Chip

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Another example with transistor circuit is shown as below. For the design of circuits shown in dotted lines, please refer to that shown in solid lines, but pay attention to the direction of connection.

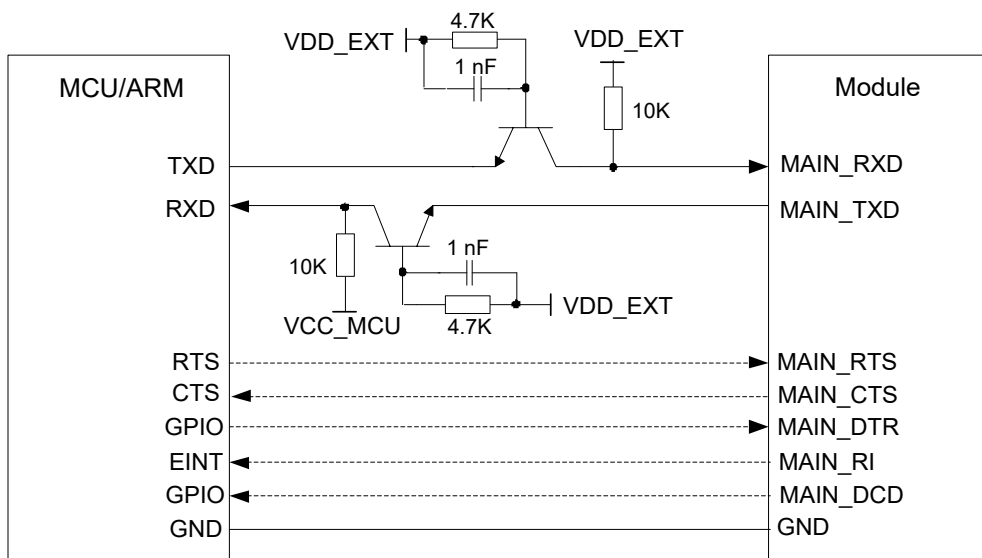


Figure 24: Reference Circuit with Transistor Circuit

NOTE

1. Transistor circuit solution is not suitable for applications with baud rates exceeding 460 kbps.
2. Please note that the module CTS is connected to the host CTS, and the module RTS is connected to the host RTS.

4.6. SDIO Interface

The module provides one SD card interface which supports SD 3.0 protocol.

Table 19: Pin Definition of SD Card Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
SD_SDIO_CLK	32	DO	SD card SDIO clock	
SD_SDIO_CMD	33	DIO	SD card SDIO command	
SD_SDIO_DATA0	31	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 0	
SD_SDIO_DATA1	30	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 1	1.8/2.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.
SD_SDIO_DATA2	29	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 2	
SD_SDIO_DATA3	28	DIO	SD card SDIO bit 3	
SD_SDIO_VDD	34	PO	SD card SDIO power supply	
SD_DET*	23	DI	SD card hot-plug detect	1.8 V power domain. If unused, keep it open.

The following figure illustrates a reference design of SD card interface with the module.

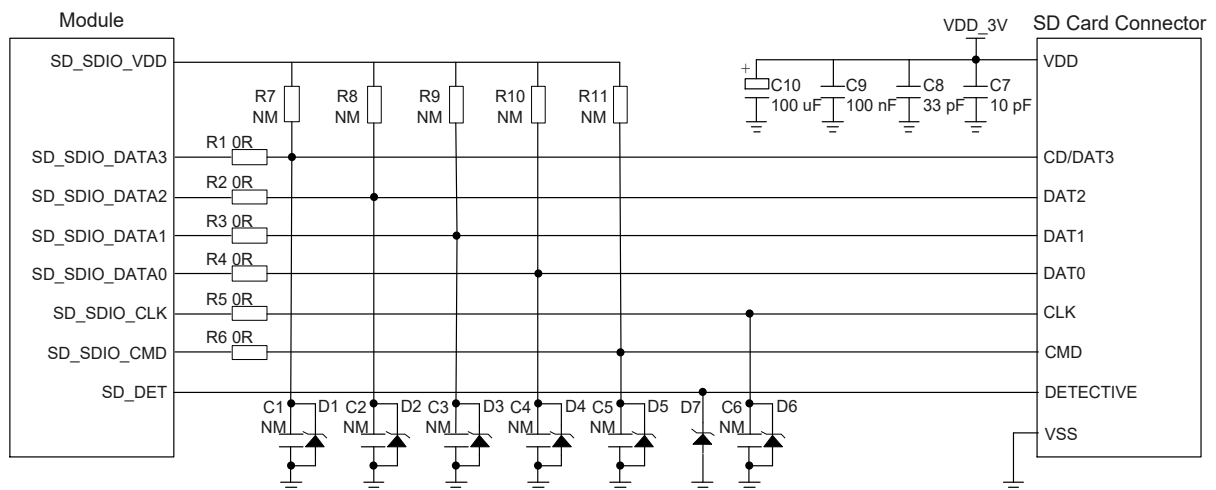


Figure 25: Reference Circuit of SD Card Interface

In SD card interface design, in order to ensure good communication performance with SD card, the following design principles should be complied with:

- The voltage range of SD card power supply VDD_3V is 2.7–3.6 V and a sufficient current up to 800 mA should be provided. The maximum output current of SD_SDIO_VDD is 50 mA which can only be used for SDIO pull-up resistors, an externally power supply is needed for SD card.
- To avoid jitter of bus, R7–R11 are needed to pull up the SDIO to SD_SDIO_VDD. Value of these resistors is among 10 kΩ to 100 kΩ and the recommended value is 100 kΩ. SD_SDIO_VDD should be used as the pull-up power.
- In order to improve signal quality, it is recommended to add 0 Ω resistors R1 to R6 in series between the module and the SD card. The bypass capacitors C1 to C6 are reserved and not mounted by default. All resistors and bypass capacitors should be placed close to the module.
- In order to offer good ESD protection, it is recommended to add a TVS diode on SD card pins near the SD card connector with junction capacitance less than 15 pF.
- It is important to route the SDIO signal traces with ground surrounded. The impedance of SDIO data trace is 50 Ω (±10 %).
- Keep SDIO signals far away from other sensitive circuits/signals such as RF circuits, analog signals, etc., as well as noisy signals such as clock signals, DC-DC signals, etc.
- It is recommended to keep the traces of SD_SDIO_CLK, SD_SDIO_DATA [0:3] and SD_SDIO_CMD with equal length (the difference among them is less than 1 mm) and the total routing length needs to be less than 50 mm.
- Make sure the adjacent trace spacing is two times of the trace width and the load capacitance of SDIO Bus should be less than 15 pF.

4.7. ADC Interface

The module provides two Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC) interfaces. In order to improve the accuracy of ADC, the trace of ADC interfaces should be surrounded by ground.

Table 20: Pin Definition of ADC Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ADC0	45	AI	General-purpose ADC interface	If unused, keep it open.
ADC1	44	AI		

The voltage value on ADC pins can be read via **AT+QADC=<port>**:

- **AT+QADC=0**: read the voltage value on ADC0.
- **AT+QADC=1**: read the voltage value on ADC1.

For more details about the AT command, see *document [2]*.

The resolution of the ADC is up to 12 bits. The following table describes the characteristic of the ADC interface.

Table 21: Characteristics of ADC Interface

Name	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
ADC0 Voltage Range	0	-	VBAT_BB	V
ADC1 Voltage Range	0	-	VBAT_BB	V
ADC Resolution	-	12	-	bits

NOTE

1. The input voltage of ADC should not exceed its corresponding voltage range.
2. It is prohibited to supply any voltage to ADC pin when VBAT is removed.
3. It is recommended to use resistor divider circuit for ADC application and the divider resistance should not exceed 100K.

4.8. Indication Signal

The pin definition of indication signal is as follows:

Table 22: Pin Definition of Indication Signal

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
NET_MODE	5	DO	Indicate the module's network registration mode	1.8 V power domain.
NET_STATUS	6	DO	Indicate the module's network activity status	If unused, keep it open.

4.8.1. Network Status Indication

The network indication pins can be used to drive network status indication LEDs. The module provides two network indication pins: NET_MODE and NET_STATUS. The following tables describe pin definition and logic level changes in different network status.

Table 23: Working State of the Network Connection Status/Activity Indication

Pin Name	Status	Description
NET_MODE	Always High	Registered on UMTS network
	Always Low	Others
NET_STATUS	Flicker slowly (200 ms High/1800 ms Low)	Network searching
	Flicker slowly (1800 ms High/200 ms Low)	Idle
	Flicker quickly (125 ms High/125 ms Low)	Data transfer is ongoing
	Always High	Voice calling

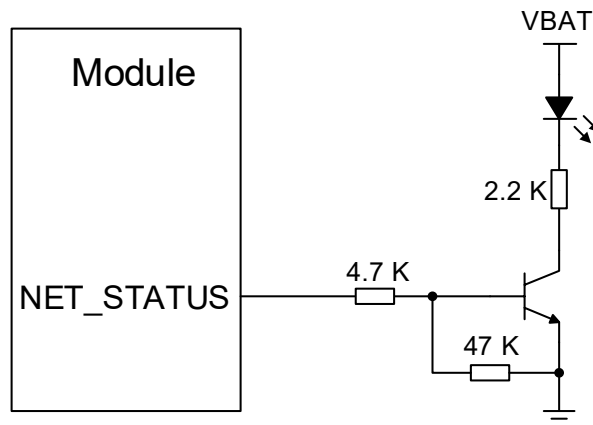


Figure 26: Reference Circuit of the Network Status Indication

4.8.2. STATUS

The STATUS pin is an open drain output for module’s operation status indication. It can be connected to a GPIO of DTE with a pulled-up resistor, or as an LED indication circuit as below. When the module is turned on normally, the STATUS will present the low state. Except for this, the STATUS will present high-impedance state.

The following figure shows different circuit designs of STATUS, and you can choose either one according to the application demands.

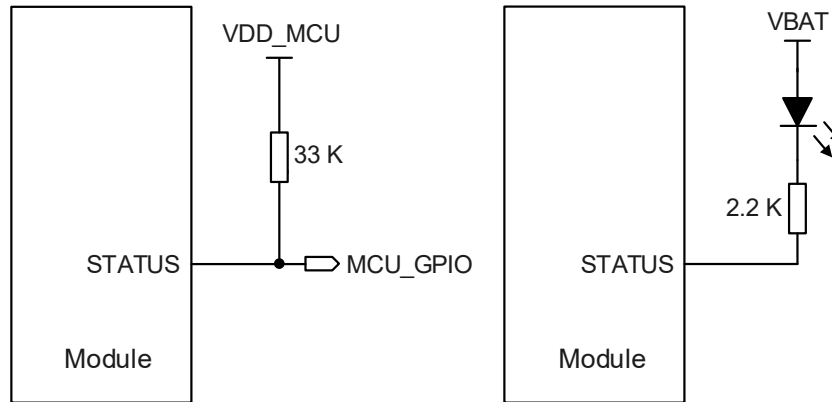


Figure 27: Reference Circuits of STATUS

NOTE

The status pin cannot be used as indication of module shutdown status when VBAT is removed.

4.9. Behaviors of the MAIN_RI

AT+QCFG="risignalttype","physical" can be used to configure MAIN_RI behaviors. No matter on which port a URC is presented, the URC will trigger the behaviors of MAIN_RI pin.

NOTE

The URC can be outputted via UART port, USB AT port and USB modem port, which can be set by **AT+QURCCFG**. The default port is USB AT port.

In addition, MAIN_RI behavior can be configured flexibly. The MAIN_RI behavior can be changed via **AT+QCFG**. See *document [2]* for details. The default behavior of the MAIN_RI is shown as below.

Table 24: Behaviors of the MAIN_RI

State	Response
Idle	MAIN_RI keeps at high level
URC	MAIN_RI outputs 120 ms low pulse when a new URC returns

5 RF Specifications

5.1. Cellular Network

5.1.1. Antenna Interface & Frequency Bands

The pin definition of main antenna and Rx-diversity antenna interfaces is shown below.

Table 25: Pin Definition of Cellular Network Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ANT_MAIN	49	AIO	Main antenna interface	

NOTE

Only passive antennas are supported. Considering authentication requirements, it is recommended to reserve diversity positions for overseas versions.

Table 26: Operating Frequency of UC200A-GL

Operating Frequency	Transmit (MHz)	Receive (MHz)
GSM850	824–849	869–894
EGSM900	880–915	925–960
DCS1800	1710–1785	1805–1880
PCS1900	1850–1910	1930–1990
WCDMA B1	1922–1978	2112–2168
WCDMA B2	1852–1908	1932–1988

WCDMA B5	826–847	871–892
WCDMA B8	882–913	927–958

5.1.2. Tx Power

The following table shows the Tx power of the module.

Table 27: Tx Power

Frequency	Max. Tx Power	Min. Tx Power
GSM850	33 dBm ±2 dB	5 dBm ±5 dB
EGSM900	33 dBm ±2 dB	5 dBm ±5 dB
DCS1800	30 dBm ±2 dB	0 dBm ±5 dB
PCS1900	30 dBm ±2 dB	0 dBm ±5 dB
GSM850 (8-PSK)	27 dBm ±3 dB	5 dBm ±5 dB
GSM900 (8-PSK)	27 dBm ±3 dB	5 dBm ±5 dB
DCS1800 (8-PSK)	26 dBm ±3 dB	0 dBm ±5 dB
PCS1900 (8-PSK)	26 dBm ±3 dB	0 dBm ±5 dB
WCDMA B1/B2/B5/B8	24 dBm +1/-3 dB	<-49 dBm

NOTE

In GPRS 4 slots Tx mode, the maximum output power is reduced by 4 dB. The design conforms to the GSM specification as described in **Chapter 13.16** of 3GPP TS 51.010-1.

5.1.3. Rx Sensitivity

The following table shows conducted Rx sensitivity of the module.

Table 28: Conducted RF Receiving Sensitivity of UC200A-GL

Frequency	Receiving Sensitivity (Typ.)			3GPP Requirement (SIMO)
	Primary	Diversity	SIMO	
GSM850	TBD	-	-	-102 dBm
EGSM900	TBD	-	-	-102 dBm
DCS1800	TBD	-	-	-102 dBm
PCS1900	TBD	-	-	-102 dBm
WCDMA B1	TBD	-	-	-106.7 dBm
WCDMA B2	TBD	-	-	-104.7 dBm
WCDMA B5	TBD	-	-	-104.7 dBm
WCDMA B8	TBD	-	-	-103.7 dBm

5.1.4. Reference Design

The module provides one RF antenna interfaces for antenna connection.

It is recommended to reserve a Π -type matching circuit for better RF performance, and the Π -type matching components (C1, R1, C2) should be placed as close to the antenna as possible. The capacitors are not mounted by default.

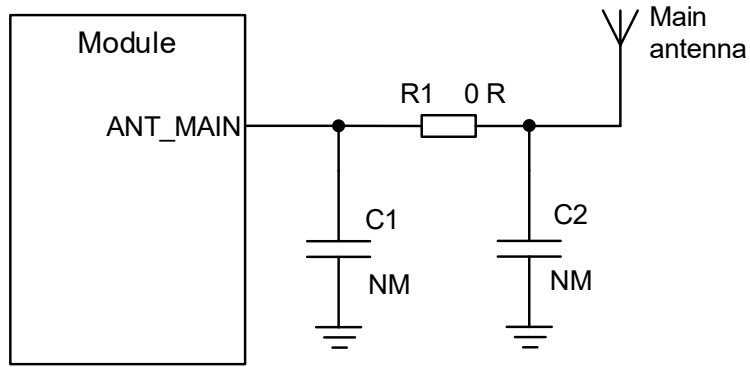


Figure 28: Reference Circuit for RF Antenna Interfaces

5.2. Reference Design of RF Routing

For user's PCB, the characteristic impedance of all RF traces should be controlled to 50 Ω. The impedance of the RF traces is usually determined by the trace width (W), the materials' dielectric constant, the height from the reference ground to the signal layer (H), and the spacing between RF traces and grounds (S). Microstrip or coplanar waveguide is typically used in RF layout to control characteristic impedance. The following are reference designs of microstrip or coplanar waveguide with different PCB structures.

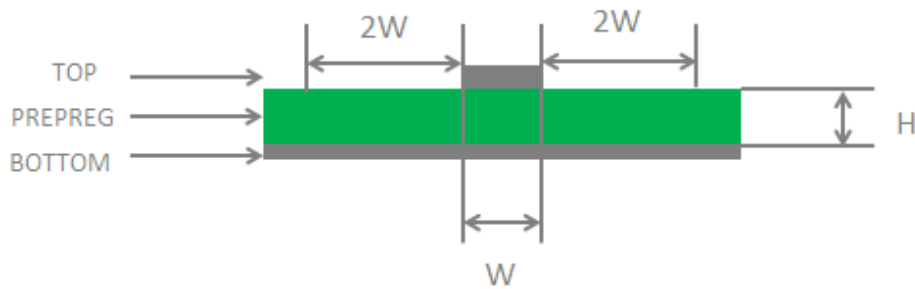


Figure 29: Microstrip Design on a 2-layer PCB

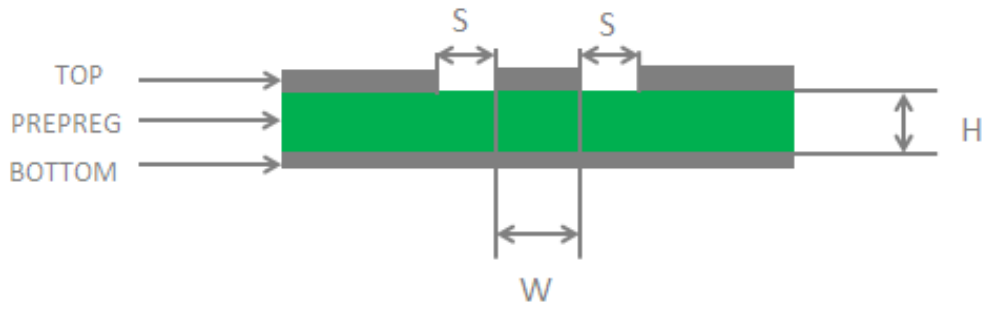


Figure 30: Coplanar Waveguide Design on a 2-layer PCB

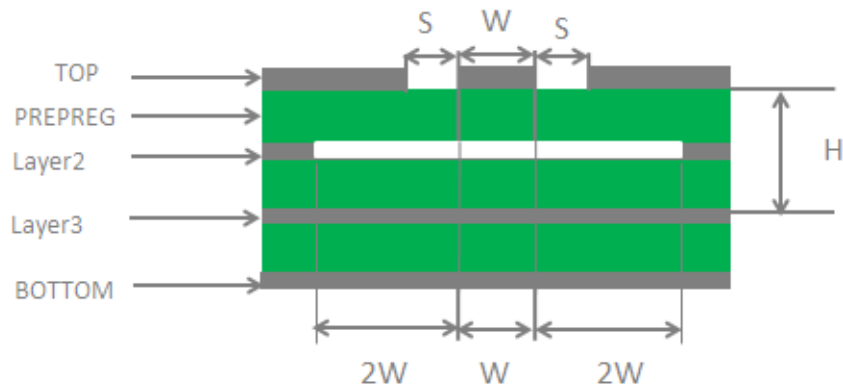


Figure 31: Coplanar Waveguide Design on a 4-layer PCB (Layer 3 as Reference Ground)

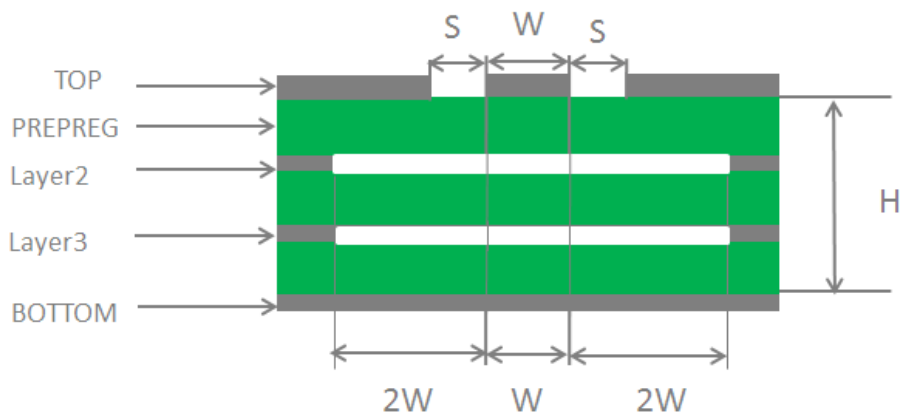


Figure 32: Coplanar Waveguide Design on a 4-layer PCB (Layer 4 as Reference Ground)

In order to ensure RF performance and reliability, the following principles should be complied with in RF layout design:

- Use an impedance simulation tool to accurately control the characteristic impedance of RF traces to 50 Ω.
- The GND pins adjacent to RF pins should not be designed as thermal relief pads, and should be fully connected to ground.
- The distance between the RF pins and the RF connector should be as short as possible, and all the right-angle traces should be changed to curved ones.
- There should be clearance under the signal pin of the antenna connector or solder joint.
- The reference ground of RF traces should be complete. Meanwhile, ground vias around RF traces and the reference ground improves RF performance. The distance between the ground vias and RF traces should be more than two times the width of RF signal traces ($2 \times W$).
- Keep RF traces away from interference sources, and avoid intersection and paralleling between traces on adjacent layers.

For more details about RF layout, see **document [3]**.

5.3. Requirements for Antenna Design

Table 29: Requirements for Antenna Design

Antenna Type	Requirements
GSM/UMTS	VSWR: ≤ 2 Efficiency: $> 30\%$ Max. input power: 50 W Input impedance: 50 Ω Cable insertion loss: < 1 dB: LB (< 1 GHz) < 1.5 dB: MB (1~2.3 GHz)

5.4. RF Connector Recommendation

If RF connector is used for antenna connection, it is recommended to use U.FL-R-SMT connector provided by Hirose.

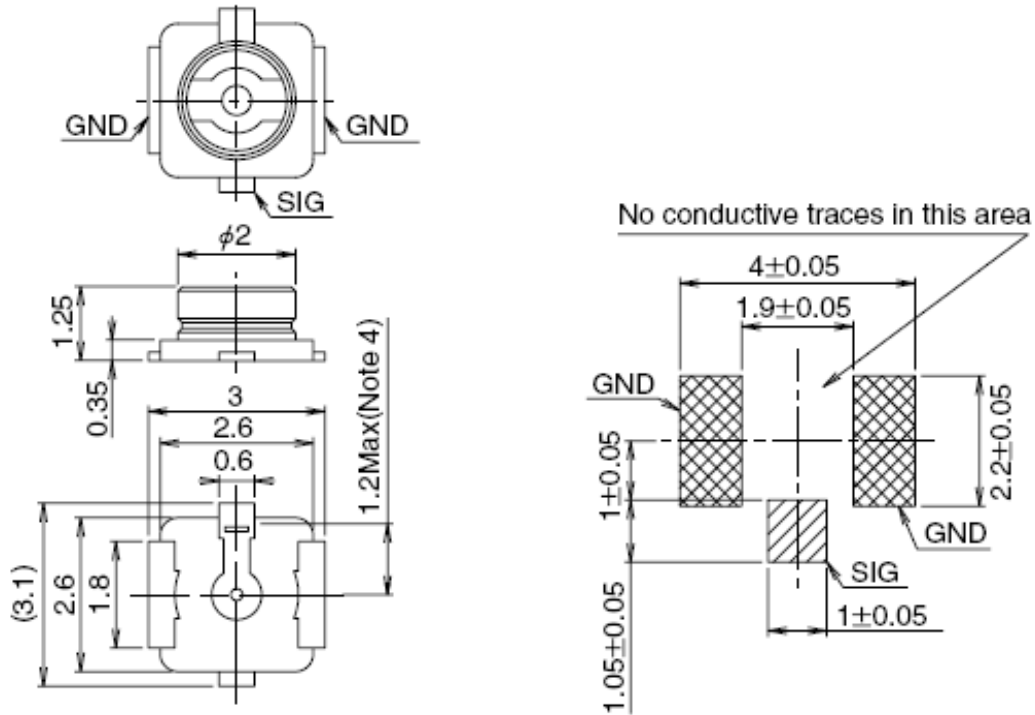


Figure 33: Dimensions of U.FL-R-SMT Connector (Unit: mm)

U.FL-LP serial connectors listed in the following figure can be used to match the U.FL-R-SMT.

	U.FL-LP-040	U.FL-LP-066	U.FL-LP(V)-040	U.FL-LP-062	U.FL-LP-088
Part No.					
Mated Height	2.5mm Max. (2.4mm Nom.)	2.5mm Max. (2.4mm Nom.)	2.0mm Max. (1.9mm Nom.)	2.4mm Max. (2.3mm Nom.)	2.4mm Max. (2.3mm Nom.)
Applicable cable	Dia. 0.81mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 1.13mm and Dia. 1.32mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 0.81mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 1mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 1.37mm Coaxial cable
Weight (mg)	53.7	59.1	34.8	45.5	71.7
RoHS	YES				

Figure 34: Mechanicals of U.FL-LP Connectors

The following figure describes the space factor of mated connector.

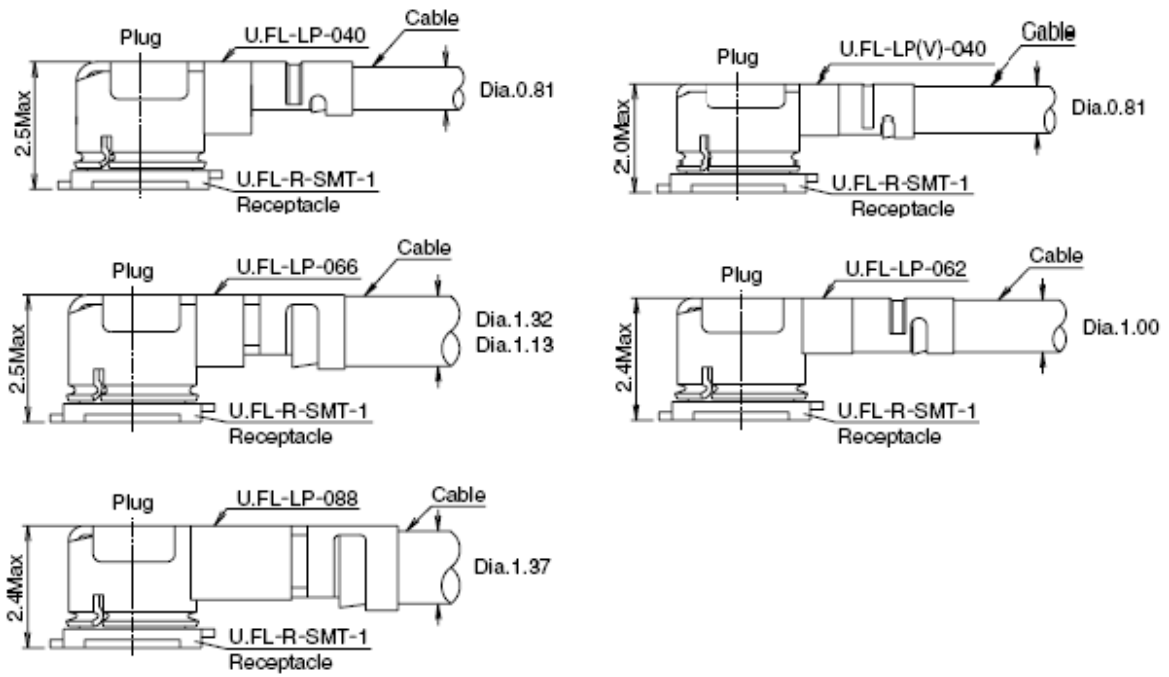


Figure 35: Space Factor of Mated Connector (Unit: mm)

For more details, please visit <http://hirose.com>.

6 Electrical Characteristics & Reliability

6.1. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Absolute maximum ratings for power supply and voltage on digital and analog pins of the module are listed in the following table.

Table 30: Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min.	Max.	Unit
VBAT_RF/VBAT_BB	-0.3	5.5	V
USB_VBUS	-0.3	5.5	V
Peak Current of VBAT_BB	-	0.8	A
Peak Current of VBAT_RF	-	1.8	A
Voltage on Digital Pins	-0.3	2.3	V
Voltage at ADC0	0	VBAT_BB	V
Voltage at ADC1	0	VBAT_BB	V

6.2. Power Supply Ratings

Table 31: The Module's Power Supply Ratings

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
VBAT	VBAT_BB and VBAT_RF	The actual input voltages must stay between the minimum and maximum values.	3.4	3.8	4.5	V
	Voltage drop during transmitting burst	Maximum power control level at EGSM 900.	0	0	400	mV
I _{VBAT}	Peak supply current (during transmission slot)	Maximum power control level at EGSM 900.	0	1.8	2.0	A
USB_VBUS	USB connection detection		3.0	5.0	5.25	V

6.3. Power Consumption

Table 32: The Module Power Consumption

UC200A-GL			
Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
OFF state	Power down	11	μA
	AT+CFUN=0 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
Sleep state	EGSM900 @ DRX = 2 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 @ DRX = 5 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 @ DRX = 5 (USB suspend)	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 @ DRX = 9 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 @ DRX = 2 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 @ DRX = 5 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 @ DRX = 5 (USB suspend)	TBD	mA

	DCS1800 @ DRX = 9 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 64 (USB suspend)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 512 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
Idle state	EGSM900 @ DRX = 5 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 @ DRX = 5 (USB connected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	TBD	mA
	WCDMA @ PF = 64 (USB connected)	TBD	mA
GPRS data transfer	EGSM900 4DL/1UL @ 32.34 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 3DL/2UL @ 32.31 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 2DL/3UL @ 31.08 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 1DL/4UL @ 29.28 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 4DL/1UL @ 29.65 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 3DL/2UL @ 29.58 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 2DL/3UL @ 28.03 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 1DL/4UL @ 26.16 dBm	TBD	mA
EDGE data transfer	EGSM900 4DL/1UL @ 27.06 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 3DL/2UL @ 26.87 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 2DL/3UL @ 25.01 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 1DL/4UL @ 22.87 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 4DL/1UL @ 25.66 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 3DL/2UL @ 25.50 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 2DL/3UL @ 23.95 dBm	TBD	mA

	DCS1800 1DL/4UL @ 21.93 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B1 HSDPA @ 22.06 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSDPA @ 21.68 dBm	TBD	mA
WCDMA data transfer	WCDMA B8 HSDPA @ 21.64 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B1 HSUPA @ 21.30 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSUPA @ 20.02 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B8 HSUPA @ 21.03 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 PCL = 5 @ 32.24 dBm	TBD	mA
	EGSM900 PCL = 12 @ 19.09 dBm	TBD	mA
GSM voice call	EGSM900 PCL = 19 @ 5.82 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 PCL = 0 @ 29.40 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 PCL = 7 @ 15.75 dBm	TBD	mA
	DCS1800 PCL = 15 @ -0.43 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B1 @ 22.77 dBm	TBD	mA
WCDMA voice call	WCDMA B5 @ 22.42 dBm	TBD	mA
	WCDMA B8 @ 22.43 dBm	TBD	mA

6.4. Digital I/O Characteristic

Table 33: 1.8 V I/O Requirements

Parameter	Description	Min.	Max.	Unit
V _{IH}	Input high voltage	1.2	2.0	V
V _{IL}	Input low voltage	-0.3	0.6	V
V _{OH}	Output high voltage	1.35	1.8	V
V _{OL}	Output low voltage	-0.3	0.45	V

Table 34: (U)SIM 1.8 V I/O Requirements

Parameter	Description	Min.	Max.	Unit
USIM_VDD	Power supply	1.7	1.9	V
V _{IH}	Input high voltage	1.2	2.0	V
V _{IL}	Input low voltage	-0.3	0.6	V
V _{OH}	Output high voltage	1.35	1.8	V
V _{OL}	Output low voltage	-0.3	0.45	V

Table 35: (U)SIM 3.0 V I/O Requirements

Parameter	Description	Min.	Max.	Unit
USIM_VDD	Power supply	2.7	3.05	V
V _{IH}	Input high voltage	1.95	3.05	V
V _{IL}	Input low voltage	-0.3	1.0	V
V _{OH}	Output high voltage	2.55	3.0	V
V _{OL}	Output low voltage	-0.3	0.45	V

6.5. ESD

If the static electricity generated by various ways discharges to the module, the module maybe damaged to a certain extent. Thus, please take proper ESD countermeasures and handling methods. For example, wearing anti-static gloves during the development, production, assembly and testing of the module; adding ESD protective components to the ESD sensitive interfaces and points in the product design.

ESD characteristics of the module's pins are as follows:

Table 36: Electrostatics Discharge Characteristics (25 °C, 45 % Relative Humidity)

Tested Interfaces	Contact Discharge	Air Discharge	Unit
VBAT, GND	±8	±10	kV
All Antenna Interfaces	±8	±10	kV
Other Interfaces	±0.5	±1	kV

6.6. Operating and Storage Temperatures

Table 37: Operating and Storage Temperatures

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Operating Temperature Range ³	-35	+25	+75	°C
Extended Operating Temperature Range ⁴	-40	-	+85	°C
Storage temperature range	-40	-	+90	°C

³ Within the operating temperature range, the module meets 3GPP specifications.

⁴ Within the extended temperature range, the module remains the ability to establish and maintain functions such as voice, SMS, data transmission, etc., without any unrecoverable malfunction. Radio spectrum and radio network are not influenced, while one or more specifications, such as P_{out} , may exceed the specified tolerances of 3GPP. When the temperature returns to the operating temperature range, the module meets 3GPP specifications again.

7 Mechanical Information

This chapter describes the mechanical dimensions of the module. All dimensions are measured in millimeter (mm), and the dimensional tolerances are ± 0.2 mm unless otherwise specified.

7.1. Mechanical Dimensions

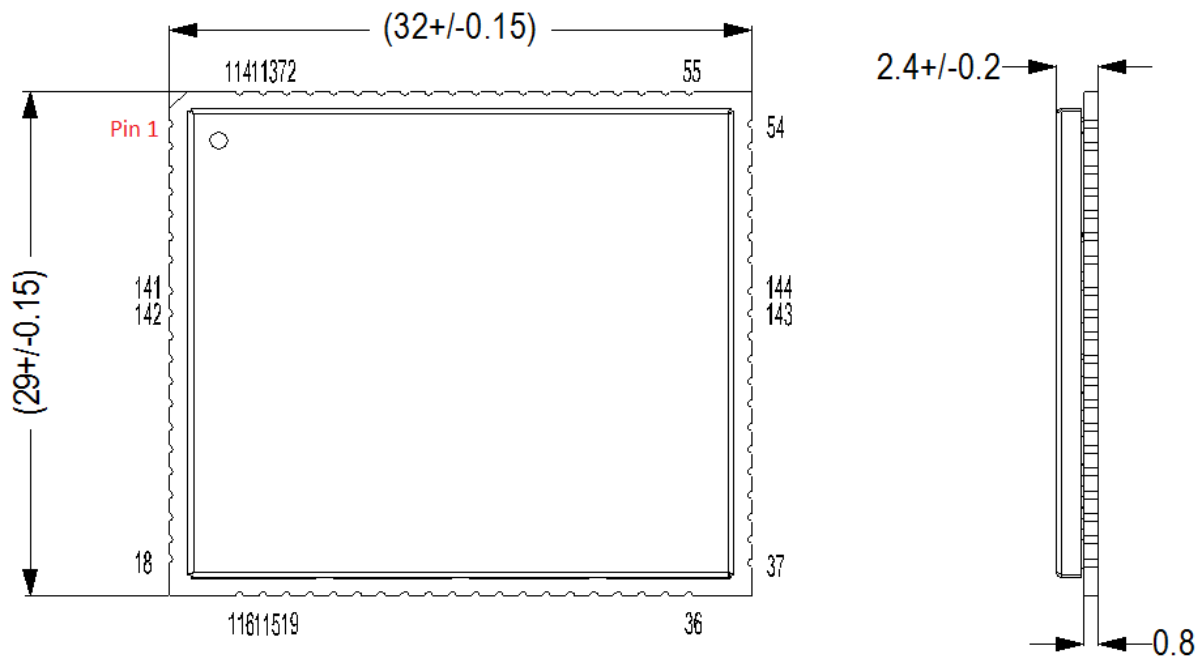


Figure 36: Module Top and Side Dimensions (Unit: mm)

7.3. Top and Bottom Views

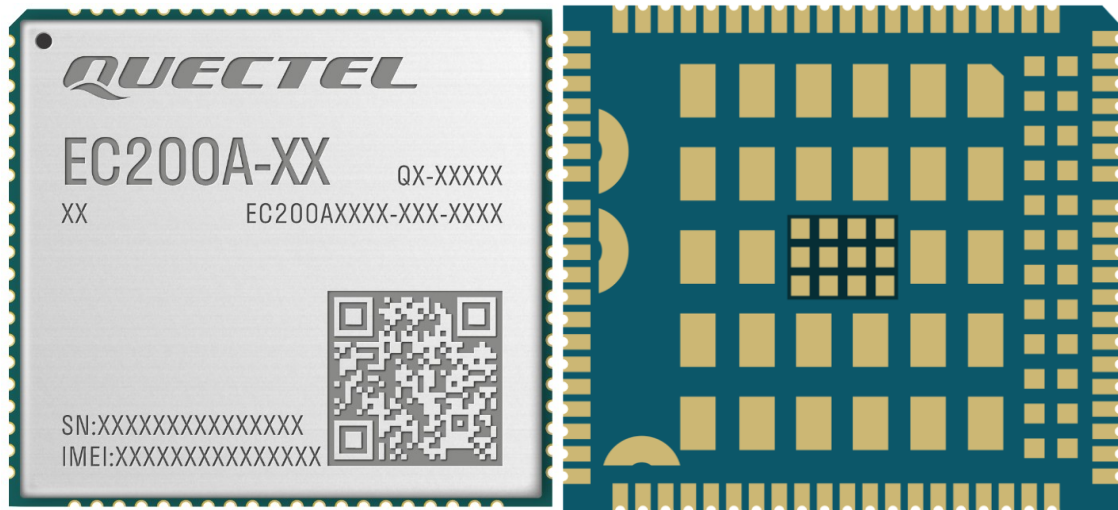


Figure 39: Top and Bottom View of the Module

NOTE

Images above are for illustration purpose only and may differ from the actual module. For authentic appearance and label, please refer to the module received from Quectel.

8 Storage, Manufacturing & Packaging

8.1. Storage Conditions

The module is provided with vacuum-sealed package. MSL of the module is rated as 3, and its storage restrictions are shown as below.

1. Recommended Storage Condition: The temperature should be 23 ± 5 °C and the relative humidity should be 35–60 %.
2. The storage life (in vacuum-sealed packaging) is 12 months in Recommended Storage Condition.
3. The floor life of the module is 168 hours ⁵ in a plant where the temperature is 23 ± 5 °C and relative humidity is below 60 %. After the vacuum-sealed packaging is removed, the module must be processed in reflow soldering or other high-temperature operations within 168 hours. Otherwise, the module should be stored in an environment where the relative humidity is less than 10 % (e.g. a drying cabinet).
4. The module should be pre-baked to avoid blistering, cracks and inner-layer separation in PCB under the following circumstances:
 - The module is not stored in Recommended Storage Condition;
 - Violation of the third requirement above occurs;
 - Vacuum-sealed packaging is broken, or the packaging has been removed for over 24 hours;
 - Before module repairing.
5. If needed, the pre-baking should follow the requirements below:
 - The module should be baked for 8 hours at 120 ± 5 °C;
 - All modules must be soldered to PCB within 24 hours after the baking, otherwise they should be put in a dry environment such as in a drying oven.

⁵ This floor life is only applicable when the environment conforms to *IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033*. It is recommended to start the solder reflow process within 24 hours after the package is removed if the temperature and moisture do not conform to, or are not sure to conform to *IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033*. And do not remove the packages of tremendous modules if they are not ready for soldering.

NOTE

1. To avoid blistering, layer separation and other soldering issues, extended exposure of the module to the air is forbidden.
2. Take out the module from the package and put it on high-temperature-resistant fixtures before baking. All modules must be soldered to PCB within 24 hours after the baking, otherwise put them in the drying oven. If shorter baking time is desired, see *IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033* for the baking procedure.
3. Pay attention to ESD protection, such as wearing anti-static gloves, when touching the modules.

8.2. Manufacturing and Soldering

Push the squeegee to apply the solder paste on the surface of stencil, thus making the paste fill the stencil openings and then penetrate to the PCB. Apply proper force on the squeegee to produce a clean stencil surface on a single pass. To guarantee module soldering quality, the thickness of stencil for the module is recommended to be 0.18–0.20 mm. For more details, see **document [4]**.

The peak reflow temperature should be 235–246 °C, with 246 °C as the absolute maximum reflow temperature. To avoid damage to the module caused by repeated heating, it is strongly recommended that the module should be mounted only after reflow soldering for the other side of PCB has been completed. The recommended reflow soldering thermal profile (lead-free reflow soldering) and related parameters are shown below.

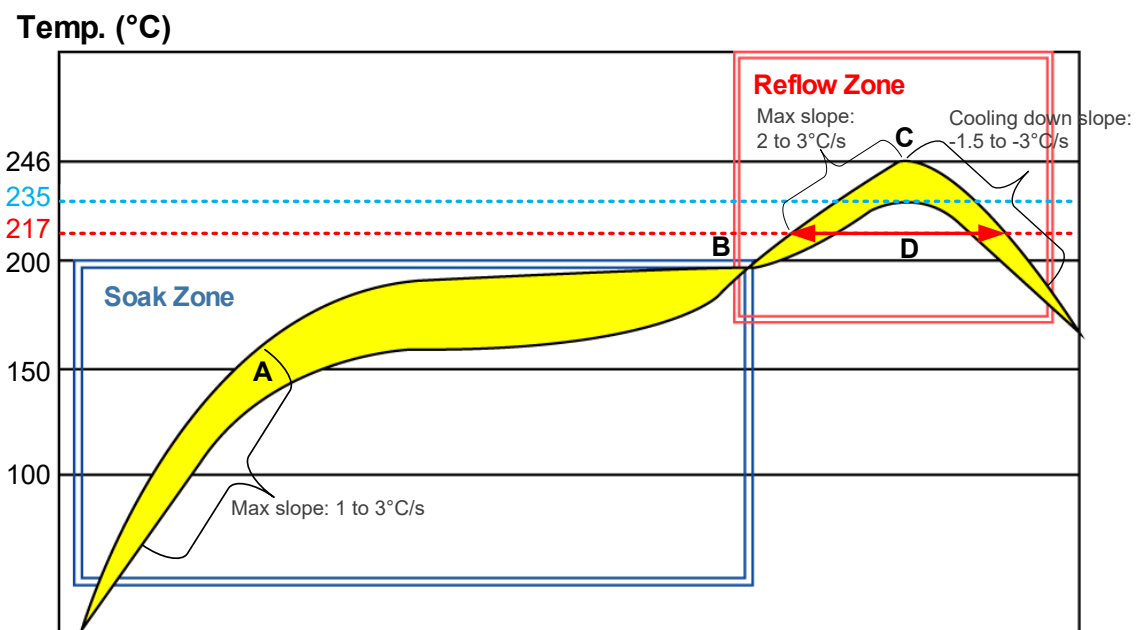


Figure 40: Recommended Reflow Soldering Thermal Profile

Table 38: Recommended Thermal Profile Parameters

Factor	Recommendation
Soak Zone	
Max slope	1 to 3 °C/s
Soak time (between A and B: 150 °C and 200 °C)	70 to 120 s
Reflow Zone	
Max slope	2 to 3 °C/s
Reflow time (D: over 217 °C)	45 to 70 s
Max temperature	235 to 246 °C
Cooling down slope	-1.5 ~ -3 °C/s
Reflow Cycle	
Max reflow cycle	1

NOTE

1. During manufacturing and soldering, or any other processes that may contact the module directly, NEVER wipe the module's shielding can with organic solvents, such as acetone, ethyl alcohol, isopropyl alcohol, trichloroethylene, etc. Otherwise, the shielding can may become rusted.
2. The shielding can for the module is made of Cupro-Nickel base material. It is tested that after 12 hours' Neutral Salt Spray test, the laser engraved label information on the shielding can is still clearly identifiable and the QR code is still readable, although white rust may be found.
3. If a conformal coating is necessary for the module, do NOT use any coating material that may chemically react with the PCB or shielding cover, and prevent the coating material from flowing into the module.
4. Avoid using ultrasonic technology for module cleaning since it can damage crystals inside the module.
5. Due to the complexity of the SMT process, please contact Quectel Technical Supports in advance for any situation that you are not sure about, or any process (e.g. selective soldering, ultrasonic soldering) that is not mentioned in **document [4]**.

8.3. Packaging Specifications

The module is packaged in tape and reel carriers. One reel is 11.88 meters long and contains 250 modules. The figures below show the package details, measured in mm.

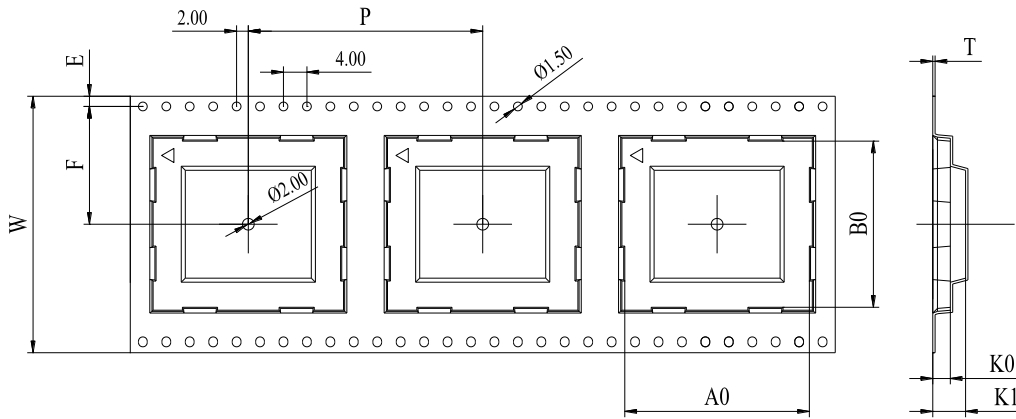


Figure 41: Carrier Tape Dimension Drawing

Table 39: Carrier Tape Dimension Table (Unit: mm)

W	P	T	A0	B0	K0	K1	F	E
44	44	0.35	32.5	29.5	3.0	3.8	20.2	1.75

8.3.1. Plastic Reel

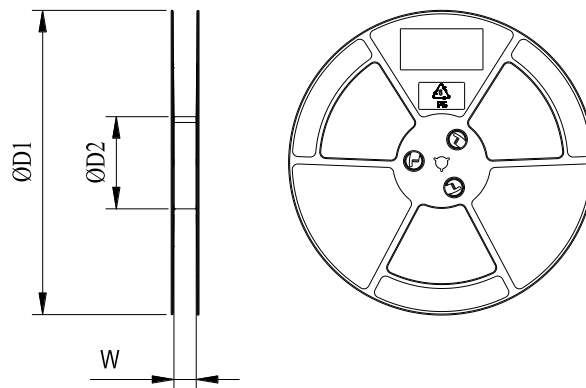
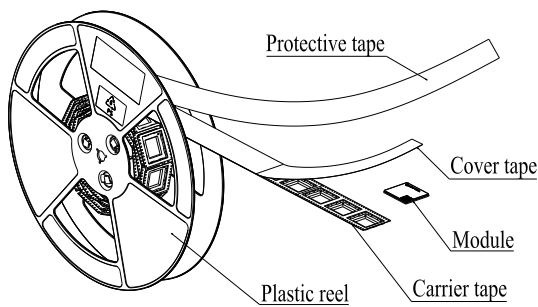


Figure 42: Plastic Reel Dimension Drawing

Table 40: Plastic Reel Dimension Table (Unit: mm)

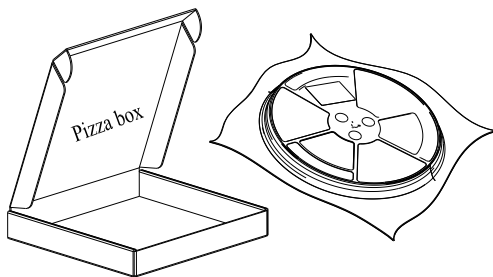
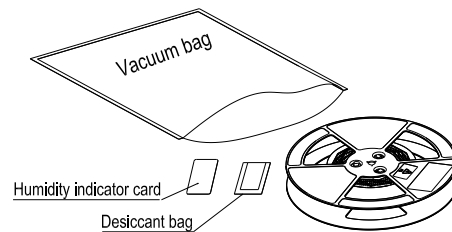
$\phi D1$	$\phi D2$	W
330	100	44.5

8.3.2. Packaging Process



Place the module into the carrier tape and use the cover tape to cover it; then wind the heat-sealed carrier tape to the plastic reel and use the protective tape for protection. 1 plastic reel can load 250 modules.

Place the packaged plastic reel, humidity indicator card and desiccant bag into a vacuum bag, vacuumize it.



Place the vacuum-packed plastic reel into the pizza box.

Put 4 packaged pizza boxes into 1 cartoon box and seal it. 1 cartoon box can pack 1000 modules.

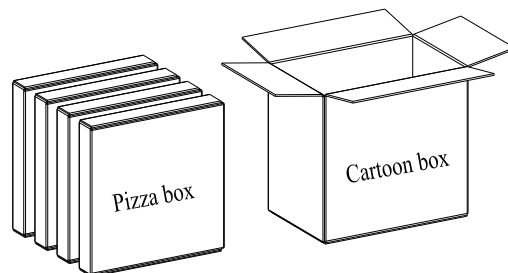


Figure 43: Packaging Process

9 Appendix References

Table 41: Related Documents

Document Name
[1] Quectel_UMTS<E_EVB_User_Guide
[2] Quectel_UC200T_AT_Commands_Manual
[3] Quectel_RF_Layout_Application_Note
[4] Quectel_Module_Secondary_SMT_Application_Note

Table 42: Terms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
AMR-WB	Adaptive Multi-Rate Wideband
AON	Active Optical Network
AP	Application Processor
bps	Bits Per Second
BPSK	Binary Phase Shift Keying
CHAP	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol
CS	Coding Scheme
CSD	Circuit Switched Data
CTS	Clear To Send
DAI	Digital Audio Interface

DCE	Data Communications Equipment
DC-HSDPA	Dual-carrier High Speed Downlink Packet Access
DDR	Double Data Rate
DFOTA	Delta Firmware Upgrade Over the Air
DL	Downlink
DRX	Diversity Receive
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment
DTR	Data Terminal Ready
EFR	Enhanced Full Rate
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
FDD	Frequency Division Duplex
FEM	Front-End Module
FR	Full Rate
GLONASS	Global Navigation Satellite System (Russia)
GMSK	Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GPS	Global Positioning System
GRFC	General RF Control
HB	High Band
HPUE	High Power User Equipment
HR	Half Rate
HSDPA	High Speed Downlink Packet Access
HSPA	High Speed Packet Access
HSUPA	High Speed Uplink Packet Access
IC	Integrated Circuit

I2C	Inter-Integrated Circuit
I2S	Inter-IC Sound
I/O	Input/Output
Inom	Normal Current
LAA	License Assisted Access
LB	Low Band
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LGA	Land Grid Array
LMHB	Low/Middle/High Band
LNA	Low Noise Amplifier
LTE	Long Term Evolution
MAC	Media Access Control
MB	Middle Band
MCU	Microcontroller Unit
MDC	Management Data Clock
MDIO	Management Data Input/Output
MHB	Middle/High Band
MIMO	Multiple Input Multiple Output
MO	Mobile Originated
MS	Mobile Station
MT	Mobile Terminated
NR	New Radio
NSA	Non-Stand Alone
PA	Power Amplifier
PAP	Password Authentication Protocol

PC	Personal Computer
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PCIe	Peripheral Component Interconnect Express
PCM	Pulse Code Modulation
PDA	Personal Digital Assistant
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PHY	Physical Layer
PMIC	Power Management Integrated Circuit
PRX	Primary Receive
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
QPSK	Quadrature Phase Shift Keying
QZSS	Quasi-Zenith Satellite System
RI	Ring Indicator
RF	Radio Frequency
RGMII	Reduced Gigabit Media Independent Interface
RHCP	Right Hand Circularly Polarized
Rx	Receive
SA	Stand Alone
SCS	Sub-Carrier Space
SD	Secure Digital
SIMO	Single Input Multiple Output
SMD	Surface Mount Device
SMS	Short Message Service
SoC	System on a Chip
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface

STB	Set Top Box
TDD	Time Division Duplexing
TDMA	Time Division Multiple Access
TD-SCDMA	Time Division-Synchronous Code Division Multiple Access
TRX	Transmit & Receive
Tx	Transmit
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UHB	Ultra High Band
UL	Uplink
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
URC	Unsolicited Result Code
USB	Universal Serial Bus
(U)SIM	Universal Subscriber Identity Module
VBAT	Voltage at Battery (Pin)
V _{max}	Maximum Voltage
V _{nom}	Nominal Voltage
V _{min}	Minimum Voltage
V _{IHmax}	Maximum High-level Input Voltage
V _{IHmin}	Minimum High-level Input Voltage
V _{ILmax}	Maximum Low-level Input Voltage
V _{ILmin}	Minimum Low-level Input Voltage
V _{Imax}	Absolute Maximum Input Voltage
V _{Imin}	Absolute Minimum Input Voltage
V _{OHmax}	Maximum High-level Output Voltage
V _{OHmin}	Minimum High-level Output Voltage

V _{OLmax}	Maximum Low-level Output Voltage
V _{OLmin}	Minimum Low-level Output Voltage
VSWR	Voltage Standing Wave Ratio
WCDMA	Wideband Code Division Multiple Access
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network
WWAN	Wireless Wide Area Network

10 Warnings sentences

1. This module is limited to OEM installation ONLY.
2. This module is limited to installation in mobile or fixed applications, according to Part 2.1091(b).
3. The separate approval is required for all other operating configurations, including portable configurations with respect to Part 2.1093 and different antenna configurations
4. For FCC Part 15.31 (h) and (k): The host manufacturer is responsible for additional testing to verify compliance as a composite system. When testing the host device for compliance with Part 15 Subpart B, the host manufacturer is

required to show compliance with Part 15 Subpart B while the transmitter module(s) are installed and operating. The modules should be transmitting and the evaluation should confirm that the module's intentional emissions are compliant (i.e. fundamental and out of band emissions). The host manufacturer must verify that there are no additional unintentional emissions other than what is permitted in Part 15 Subpart B or emissions are compliant with the transmitter(s) rule(s). The Grantee will provide guidance to the host manufacturer for Part 15 B requirements if needed.

- **End Product Labeling**

When the module is installed in the host device, the FCC ID label must be visible through a window on the final device or it must be visible when an access panel, door or cover is easily re-moved. If not, a second label must be placed on the outside of the final device that contains the following text:

“Contains FCC ID: XMR202112UC200AGL”

The FCC ID can be used only when all FCC compliance requirements are met.

In the event that these conditions cannot be met (for example certain laptop configurations or co-location with another transmitter), then the FCC authorization is no longer considered valid and the FCC ID cannot be used on the final product. In these circumstances, the OEM integrator will be responsible for re-evaluating the end product (including the transmitter) and obtaining a separate FCC authorization.

- **Manual Information to the End User**

The OEM integrator has to be aware not to provide information to the end user regarding how to install or remove this RF module in the user's manual of the end product which integrates this module. The end user manual shall include all required regulatory information/warning as show in this manual.

- **Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement**

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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 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.

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment. This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

To comply with FCC regulations limiting both maximum RF output power and human exposure to RF radiation, maximum antenna gain (including cable loss) must not exceed:

GSM850/WCDMA Band5: $\leq 7\text{dBi}$
GSM1900/WCDMA Band2: $\leq 3\text{dBi}$

● Radiation Exposure Statement

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20 cm between the radiator & your body.