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About the Document

Revision History

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1 Introduction

This document provides information on the functional features, interface specifications, as well as electrical and mechanical details of the EP06 series modules (EP06-E and EP06-A). Consult this document to learn about the air and hardware interfaces and external application reference designs among other related information of the series modules.

This document, coupled with application notes and user guides, makes it easy to design applications with the module.

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, ANTCTL[0:3] refers to all four ANTCTL pins, ANTCTL0, ANTCTL1, ANTCTL2, and ANTCTL3.

2 Product Concept

2.1. General Description

EP06 is a series of LTE-A/UMTS/HSPA+ wireless communication modules with receive diversity. It provides data connectivity on LTE-FDD, LTE-TDD, DC-HSDPA, HSPA+, HSDPA, HSUPA and WCDMA networks with PCI Express Mini Card 1.2 standard interface.

EP06 series supports embedded operating systems such as Windows CE, Linux and Android, and also provides GNSS [1] and voice functionality [2] to meet your specific application demands. EP06 series contains two variants: EP06-E and EP06-A. You can select a dedicated type based on your application regions or target operators.

The following table shows the frequency bands and GNSS types of EP06 series.

Table 2: Frequency Bands and GNSS Types of EP06 Series

Mode	EP06-E	EP06-A
LTE-FDD (with Rx-diversity)	B1/B3/B5/B7/B8/B20/B28/B32 [3]	B2/B4/B5/B7/B12/B13/B25/B26/ B29 [3]/B30/B66
LTE-TDD (with Rx-diversity)	B38/B40/B41	-
2CA	B1 + B1/B5/B8/B20/B28; B3 + B3/B5/B7/B8/B20/B28; B7 + B5/B7/B8/B20/B28; B20 + B32 [3]; B38 + B38; B40 + B40; B41 + B41	B2 + B2/B5/B12/B13/B29 [3]; B4 + B4/B5/B12/B13/B29 [3]; B7 + B5/B7/B12/B26; B25 + B5/B12/B25/B26; B30 + B5/B12/B29 [3]; B66 + B5/B12/B13/B29 [3]/B66
WCDMA (with Rx-diversity)	B1/B3/B5/B8	B2/B4/B5

[1] GNSS function is optional.
[2] EP06 series contains **Telematics** version and **Data-only** version. **Telematics** version supports voice and data functions, while **Data-only** version only supports data function.
[3] LTE-FDD B29 and B32 support Rx only, and in 2CA they are only for secondary component carrier.

GNSS	GPS, GLONASS, BeiDou/Compass, Galileo, QZSS	GPS, GLONASS, BeiDou/Compass, Galileo, QZSS

EP06 series can be applied in the following fields:

- Rugged Tablet PC
- Remote Monitor System
- Vehicle System
- Wireless POS System
- Smart Metering System
- Wireless Router and Switch
- Other Wireless Terminal Devices

2.2. Key Features

The following table describes the detailed features of EP06 series.

Table 3: Key Features of EP06 Series

Feature	Details
Functional Interface	PCI Express Mini Card 1.2 Standard Interface
Power Supply	● Supply voltage: 3.1–4.4 V ● Typical supply voltage: 3.3 V
Transmitting Power	● Class 3 (23 dBm ±2 dB) for LTE-FDD bands ● Class 3 (23 dBm ±2 dB) for LTE-TDD bands ● Class 3 (24 dBm +1/-3 dB) for WCDMA bands
LTE Features	● Support up to LTE Cat 6 ● Support 1.4 to 40 MHz (DL 2CA) RF bandwidth ● Support 2 × 2 MIMO in DL direction ● FDD: Max. 300 Mbps (DL)/50 Mbps (UL) ● TDD: Max. 226 Mbps (DL)/28 Mbps (UL)
UMTS Features	● Support 3GPP R8 DC-HSDPA, HSPA+, HSDPA, HSUPA and WCDMA ● Support QPSK, 16QAM and 64QAM modulation - DC-HSDPA: Max. 42 Mbps - HSUPA: Max. 5.76 Mbps - WCDMA: Max. 384 kbps (DL)/Max. 384 kbps (UL)
Internet Protocol Features	● Support PPP/QMI/TCP*/UDP*/FTP*/HTTP*/NTP*/PING*/HTTPS*/SMTP*/MMS*/FTPS*/SMTPS*/SSL* protocols

	● Support PAP and CHAP protocols usually used for PPP connections
SMS	● Text and PDU mode ● Point to point MO and MT ● SMS cell broadcast ● SMS storage: ME by default
(U)SIM Interface	● Support (U)SIM card: 1.8 V, 3.0 V ● Include (U)SIM1 and (U)SIM2 interfaces ● Support Dual SIM Single Standby
Audio Feature	● Support one digital audio interface: PCM interface ● WCDMA: AMR/AMR-WB ● LTE: AMR/AMR-WB ● Support echo cancellation and noise suppression
PCM Interface	● Used for audio function with external codec ● Support 16-bit linear data formats ● Support long frame synchronization and short frame synchronization ● Support master and slave mode, but must be the master in long frame synchronization
USB 2.0 & 3.0 Interface	● Compliant with USB 3.0 and 2.0 specifications, with maximum transmission rates up to 5 Gbps on USB 3.0 and 480 Mbps on USB 2.0 ● Used for AT command communication, data transmission, firmware upgrade, software debugging, GNSS NMEA sentence output and voice over USB* ● Support USB serial drivers for: Windows 7/8/8.1/10, Linux 2.6–5.4, Android 4.x/5.x/6.x/7.x/9.x
Antenna Interfaces	Include main antenna, diversity antenna and GNSS antenna interfaces
Rx-diversity	Support LTE/WCDMA Rx-diversity
GNSS Features	Protocol: NMEA 0183
AT Commands	Compliant with 3GPP TS 27.007, 27.005 and Quectel enhanced AT commands
Physical Characteristics	● Dimensions: (30.0 ±0.15) mm × (50.95 ±0.15) mm × (3.95 ±0.20) mm ● Weight: approx. 10.1 g
Temperature Range	● Operating temperature range: -35 to +75 °C [4] ● Extended temperature range: -40 to +85 °C [5] ● Storage temperature range: -40 to +90 °C
Firmware Upgrade	USB interface and DFOTA

[4] Within operating temperature range, the module is 3GPP compliant.
[5] Within extended temperature range, proper mounting, heating sinks and active cooling may be required to make certain functions of the module such as voice, SMS, data transmission, emergency call to be realized. Only one or more parameters like Pout might reduce in their value and exceed the specified tolerances. When the temperature returns to normal operating temperature levels, the module will meet 3GPP specifications again.

RoHS	All hardware components are fully compliant with EU RoHS directive

2.3. Functional Diagram

The following figure shows the block diagram of EP06 series.

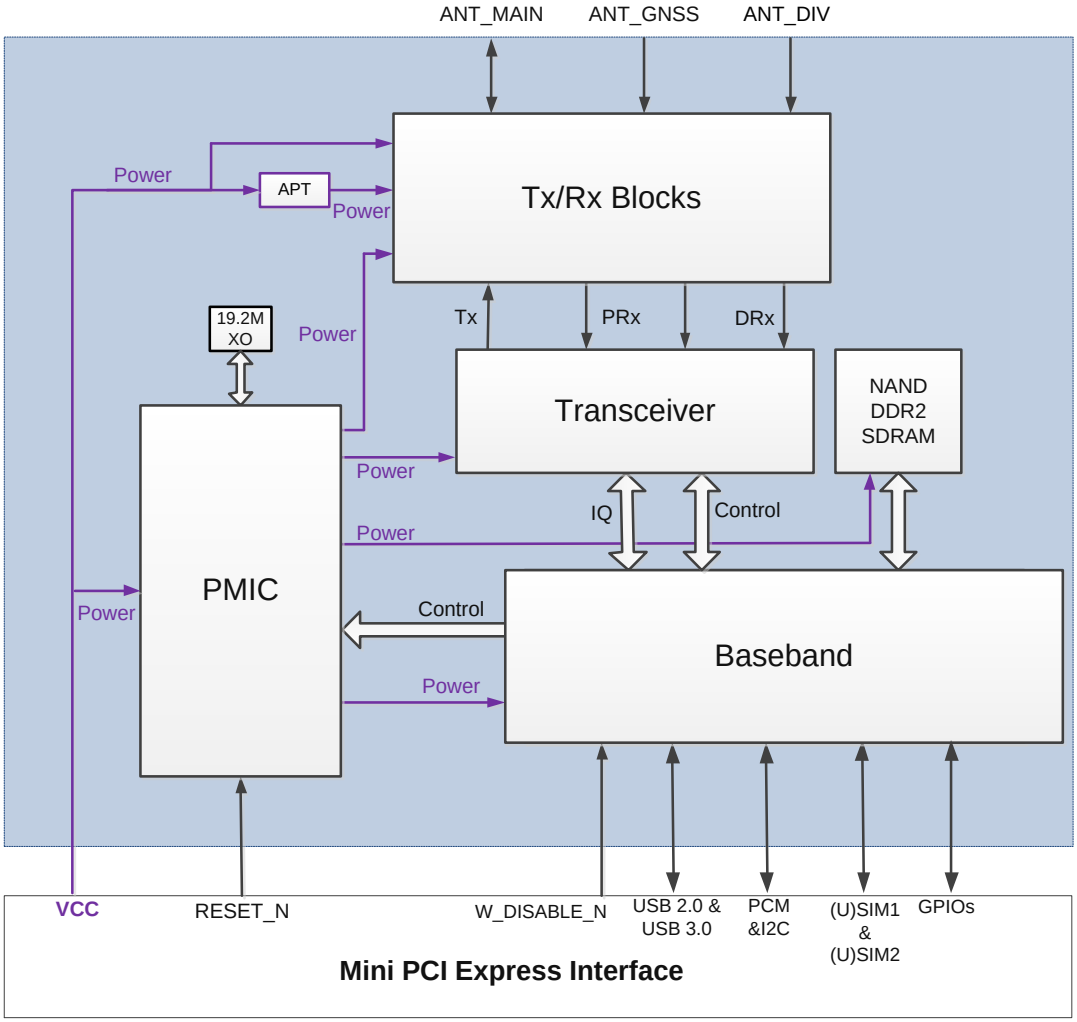


Figure 1: Functional Diagram

2.4. Evaluation Board

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

3 Application Interfaces

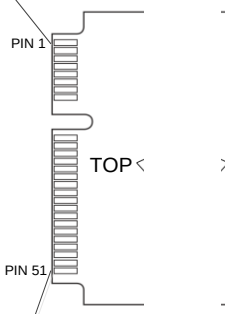
Physical connections and signal levels of the module comply with PCI Express Mini CEM specifications. This chapter mainly describes definition and application of the following module interfaces and signals:

- Power supply
- (U)SIM interfaces
- USB interface
- PCM and I2C interfaces
- Control and indicator signals
- Tunable antenna control interface*
- Antenna interfaces

3.1. Pin Assignment

The following figure shows the pin assignment of the module. The module and antenna connectors are disposed on the top side.

Pin Name	Pin No.
NC	1
ANTCTL0	3
ANTCTL1	5
USIM2_RST	7
GND	9
VREF_1.8V	11
USIM2_VDD	13
GND	15
USIM2_CLK	17
USIM2_DATA	19
GND	21
USB3.0_TX-	23
USB3.0_TX+	25
GND	27
GND	29
USB3.0_RX-	31
USB3.0_RX+	33
GND	35
GND	37
VCC	39
VCC	41
GND	43
PCM_CLK	45
PCM_DOUT	47
PCM_DIN	49
PCM_SYNC	51



Pin No.	Pin Name
2	VCC
4	GND
6	NC
8	USIM1_VDD
10	USIM1_DATA
12	USIM1_CLK
14	USIM1_RST
16	NC
18	GND
20	W_DISABLE_N
22	RESET_N
24	VCC
26	GND
28	NC
30	I2C_SCL
32	I2C_SDA
34	GND
36	USB_D-
38	USB_D+
40	GND
42	NC
44	ANTCTL2
46	ANTCTL3
48	NC
50	GND
52	VCC

Figure 2: Pin Assignment of EP06 Series

3.2. Pin Description

The following tables show the pin definition and description of the module.

Table 4: Definition of I/O Parameters

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

Table 5: Pin Description

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Description	Comment
1	NC		Not connected	
2	VCC	PI	3.3 V DC power supply	Vmin = 3.1 V Vnom = 3.3 V Vmax = 4.4 V
3	ANTCTL0*	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
4	GND		Ground	
5	ANTCTL1*	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
6	NC		Not connected	
7	USIM2_RST	DO	(U)SIM2 card reset	1.8/3.0 V

8	USIM1_VDD	PO	(U)SIM1 card power supply	1.8/3.0 V
9	GND		Ground	
10	USIM1_DATA	DIO	(U)SIM1 card data	1.8/3.0 V
11	VREF_1.8V	PO	1.8 V reference voltage output	
12	USIM1_CLK	DO	(U)SIM1 card clock	1.8/3.0 V
13	USIM2_VDD	PO	(U)SIM2 card power supply	1.8/3.0 V
14	USIM1_RST	DO	(U)SIM1 card reset	1.8/3.0 V
15	GND		Ground	
16	NC		Not connected	
17	USIM2_CLK	DO	(U)SIM2 card clock	1.8/3.0 V
18	GND		Ground	
19	USIM2_DATA	DIO	(U)SIM2 card data	1.8/3.0 V
20	W_DISABLE_N*	DI	Airplane mode control	1.8 V power domain
21	GND		Ground	
22	RESET_N	DI	Reset the module	Active low
23	USB3.0_TX-	AO	USB 3.0 transmit data (-)	
24	VCC	PI	3.3 V DC power supply	Vmin = 3.1 V Vnom = 3.3 V Vmax = 4.4 V
25	USB3.0_TX+	AO	USB 3.0 transmit data (+)	
26	GND		Ground	
27	GND		Ground	
28	NC		Not connected	
29	GND		Ground	
30	I2C_SCL	DO	I2C serial clock	Externally pulled up to 1.8 V
31	USB3.0_RX-	AI	USB 3.0 receive data (-)	

32	I2C_SDA	DIO	I2C serial data	Externally pulled up to 1.8 V
33	USB3.0_RX+	AI	USB 3.0 receive data (+)	
34	GND		Ground	
35	GND		Ground	
36	USB_D-	AIO	USB 2.0 differential data (-)	
37	GND		Ground	
38	USB_D+	AIO	USB 2.0 differential data (+)	
39	VCC	PI	3.3 V DC power supply	Vmin = 3.1 V Vnom = 3.3 V Vmax = 4.4 V
40	GND		Ground	
41	VCC	PI	3.3 V DC power supply	Vmin = 3.1 V Vnom = 3.3 V Vmax = 4.4 V
42	NC		Not connected	
43	GND		Ground	
44	ANTCTL2*	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
45	PCM_CLK	DIO	PCM clock	
46	ANTCTL3*	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
47	PCM_DOUT	DO	PCM data output	
48	NC		Not connected	
49	PCM_DIN	DI	PCM data input	
50	GND		Ground	
51	PCM_SYNC	DIO	PCM data frame sync	In master mode, it is an output signal. In slave mode, it is an input signal.
52	VCC	PI	3.3 V DC power supply	Vmin = 3.1 V Vnom = 3.3 V Vmax = 4.4 V

NOTE

1. Keep all NC and unused pins unconnected.

3.3. Power Supply

The following table shows pin definition of VCC pins and ground pins.

Table 6: Definition of VCC and GND Pins

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Power Domain	Description
2, 24, 39, 41, 52	VCC	PI	3.1–4.4 V	3.3 V typical DC power supply
4, 9, 15, 18, 21, 26, 27, 29, 34, 35, 37, 40, 43, 50	GND			Ground

The typical supply voltage of the module is 3.3 V. The power supply must be able to provide at least 2 A current, and a bypass capacitor of no less than 470 µF with low ESR should be used to prevent the voltage from dropping.

The following figure shows a reference design of power supply. The tolerance of resistors R2 and R3 is recommended to be 1 %, and the capacitor C3 needs a low ESR.

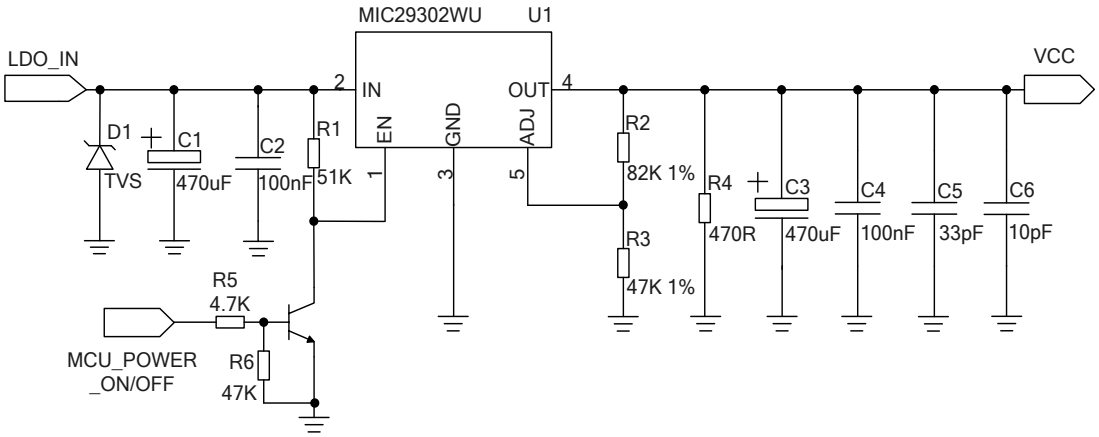


Figure 3: Reference Design of Power Supply

3.4. (U)SIM Interfaces

The (U)SIM interface circuitry meets ETSI and IMT-2000 requirements. Both 1.8 V and 3.0 V (U)SIM cards are supported, and Dual SIM Single Standby function is supported.

The following table shows the pin definition of (U)SIM interfaces.

Table 7: Pin Definition of (U)SIM Interfaces

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Power Domain	Description
8	USIM1_VDD	PO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM1 card power supply
10	USIM1_DATA	DIO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM1 card data
12	USIM1_CLK	DO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM1 card clock
14	USIM1_RST	DO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM1 card reset
13	USIM2_VDD	PO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM2 card power supply
19	USIM2_DATA	DIO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM2 card data
17	USIM2_CLK	DO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM2 card clock
7	USIM2_RST	DO	1.8/3.0 V	(U)SIM2 card reset

The following figure shows a reference design for (U)SIM card interface with a 6-pin (U)SIM card connector.

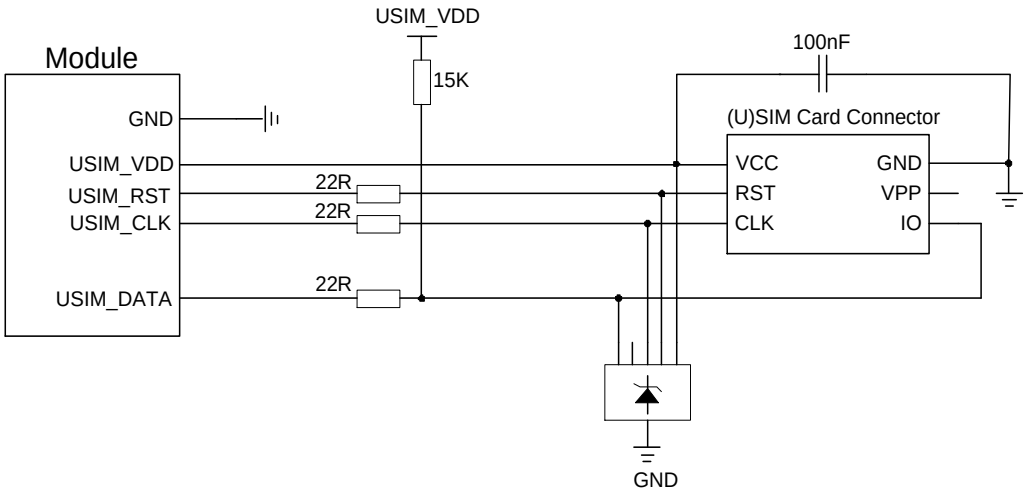


Figure 4: Reference Design of (U)SIM Card Interface with a 6-pin (U)SIM Card Connector

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

- Place the (U)SIM card connector as close to the module as possible. Keep the trace length as less than 200 mm as possible.
- Keep (U)SIM card signals away from RF and power supply traces.
- Keep the trace width of ground and USIM_VDD no less than 0.5 mm to maintain the same electric potential. The decoupling capacitor of USIM_VDD should be less than 1uF and must be placed close to (U)SIM card connector.
- To avoid cross-talk between USIM_DATA and USIM_CLK, keep them away from each other and shield them with surrounded ground.
- In order to offer good ESD protection, it is recommended to add a TVS diode array with parasitic capacitance not exceeding 50pF. The 22 Ω resistors should be added in series between the module and the (U)SIM card so as to suppress EMI spurious transmission and enhance ESD protection. Please note that the (U)SIM peripheral circuit should be close to the (U)SIM card connector.
- The pull-up resistor on USIM_DATA line can improve anti-jamming capability when long layout trace is applied and sensitive occasion occurs, and should be placed close to the (U)SIM card connector.

3.5. USB Interface

The module provides one integrated Universal Serial Bus (USB) interface which complies with the USB 3.0/2.0 specifications and supports super speed (5 Gbps) on USB 3.0, high speed (480 Mbps) and full speed (12 Mbps) modes on USB 2.0. The USB interface is used for AT command communication, data transmission, GNSS NMEA output, software debugging, firmware upgrade and voice over USB*.

The following table shows the pin definition of USB interface.

Table 8: Pin Definition of USB Interface

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Description	Comment
36	USB_D-	AIO	USB 2.0 differential data (-)	Compliant with USB 2.0 standard specification; Require differential impedance of 90 Ω.
38	USB_D+	AIO	USB 2.0 differential data (+)	
23	USB3.0_TX-	AO	USB 3.0 transmit data (-)	Compliant with USB 3.0 standard specification; Require differential impedance of 90 Ω.
25	USB3.0_TX+	AO	USB 3.0 transmit data (+)	
31	USB3.0_RX-	AI	USB 3.0 receive data (-)	
33	USB3.0_RX+	AI	USB 3.0 receive data (+)	

For more details about the USB 2.0 & 3.0 specifications, please visit http://www.usb.org/home.

The USB interface is recommended to be reserved for firmware upgrade in customers' designs. The following figure shows a reference design of USB 2.0 & 3.0 interfaces.

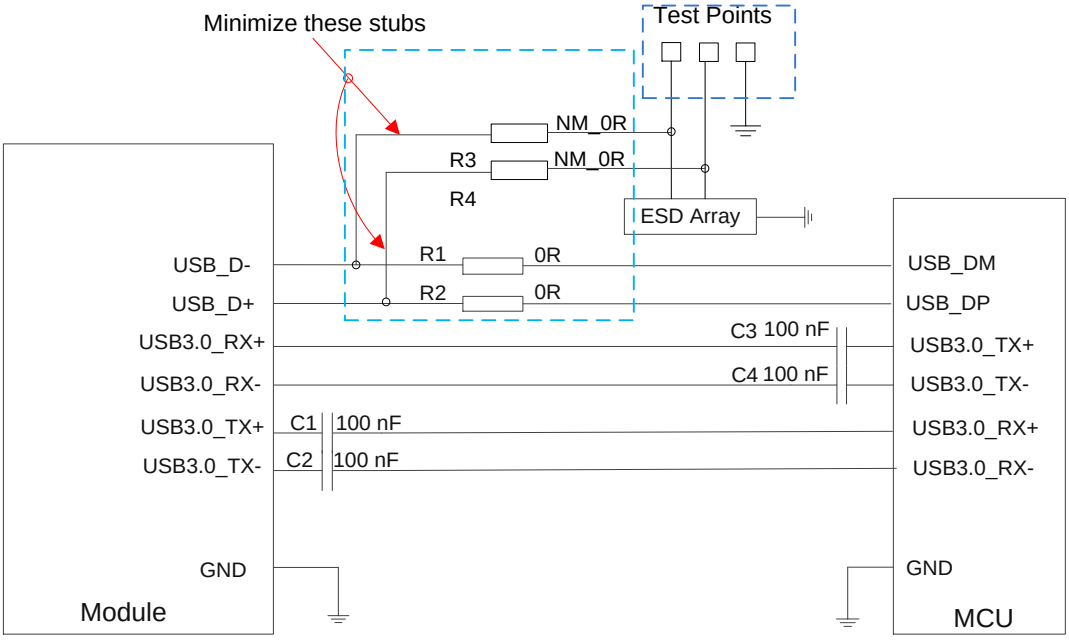


Figure 5: Reference Design of USB 2.0 & 3.0 Interfaces

In order to ensure the signal integrity of USB data lines, C1 and C2 have been placed inside the module, C3 and C4 should be placed close to the MCU, and R1, R2, R3 and R4 should be placed close to the module and also close to each other. The extra stubs of trace must be as short as possible.

The following principles of USB interface design should be complied with, so as to meet USB 2.0 & USB 3.0 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.
- For USB 2.0 signal traces, the trace length difference of the differential pair should be less than 2 mm.
- For USB 3.0 signal traces, the trace length difference of each differential pair (TX/RX) should be less than 0.7 mm.
- Do not route signal traces under crystals, oscillators, magnetic devices or RF signal traces. It is important to route the USB 2.0 and 3.0 differential traces in inner-layer of the PCB, and surround the traces with ground on that layer and with ground planes above and below.
- If a USB connector is used, please keep the ESD protection components as close to the USB connector as possible. Junction capacitance of the ESD protection device might cause influences on USB 2.0 and 3.0 data lines, so please pay attention to the selection of the device. Typically, the stray capacitance should be less than 2.0 pF for USB 2.0, and less than 0.4 pF for USB 3.0.

- If possible, reserve a 0 Ω resistor on both USB_D+ and USB_D- lines.

3.6. PCM and I2C Interfaces

The module supports audio communication via Pulse Code Modulation (PCM) digital interface and I2C interface.

The following table shows the pin definition of PCM and I2C interfaces which can be applied on audio codec designs.

Table 9: Pin Definition of PCM and I2C Interfaces

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Power Domain	Description	Comment
45	PCM_CLK	DIO	1.8 V	PCM clock	
47	PCM_DOUT	DO	1.8 V	PCM data output	
49	PCM_DIN	DI	1.8 V	PCM data input	
51	PCM_SYNC	DIO	1.8 V	PCM data frame sync	In master mode, it is an output signal. In slave mode, it is an input signal.
30	I2C_SCL	DO	1.8 V	I2C serial clock	Externally pulled up to 1.8 V.
32	I2C_SDA	DIO	1.8 V	I2C serial data	Externally pulled up to 1.8 V.

The PCM interface supports the following modes:

- Primary mode (short frame synchronization, working as either master or slave)
- Auxiliary mode (long frame synchronization, working as master only)

In primary 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 or 2048 kHz PCM_CLK at 8 kHz PCM_SYNC, and also supports 4096 kHz PCM_CLK at 16 kHz PCM_SYNC.

In auxiliary mode, the data is sampled on the falling edge of the PCM_CLK and transmitted on the rising edge. The PCM_SYNC rising edge represents the MSB. In this mode, PCM interface operates with a 256 kHz PCM_CLK and an 8 kHz, 50 % duty cycle PCM_SYNC only.

The module supports 16-bit linear data format. The following figures show the timing sequence of 8 kHz PCM_SYNC and 2048 kHz PCM_CLK in the primary mode, as well as the timing sequence of 8 kHz PCM_SYNC and 256 kHz PCM_CLK in auxiliary mode.

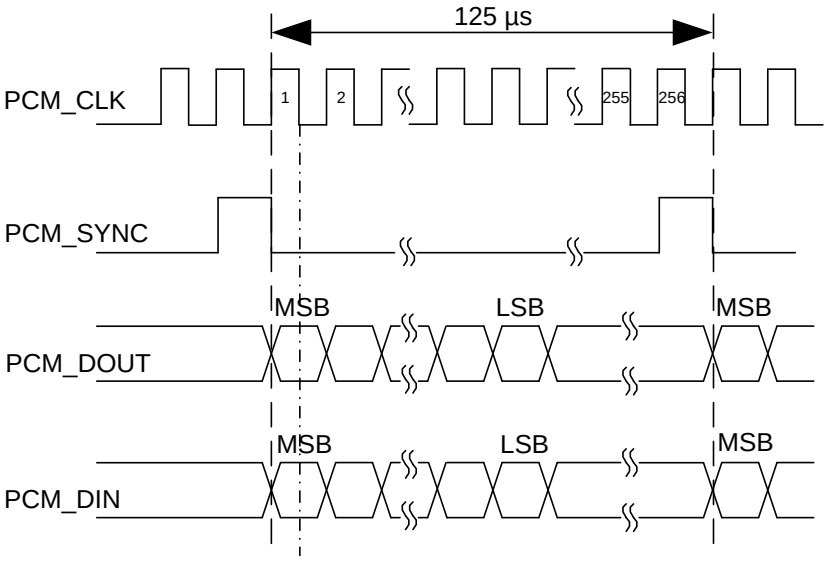


Figure 6: Primary Mode Timing Sequence

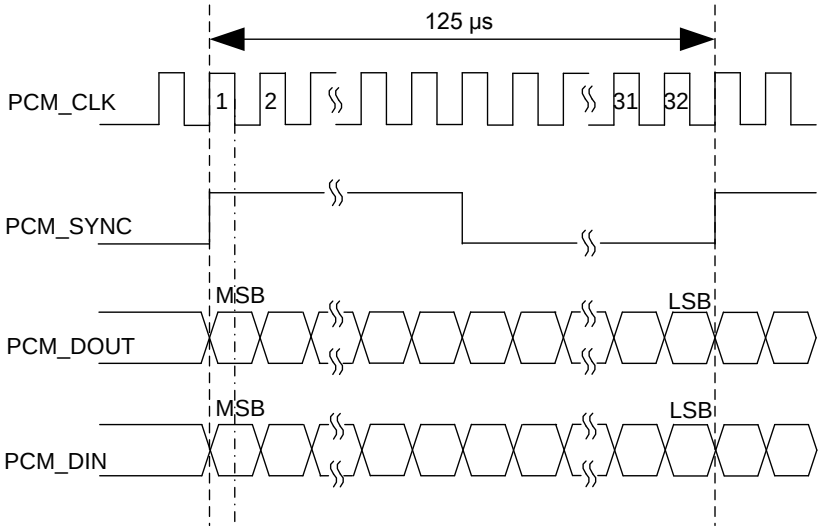


Figure 7: Auxiliary Mode Timing Sequence

Clock and mode can be configured by **AT+QDAI** command, and the default configuration is master mode using short frame synchronization format with 2048 kHz PCM_CLK and 8 kHz PCM_SYNC. In addition, the module's firmware has integrated the configuration on some PCM codec's application with I2C interface. See ***document [2]*** for details about the **AT+QDAI** command.

The following figure shows a reference design of PCM interface with an external codec IC.

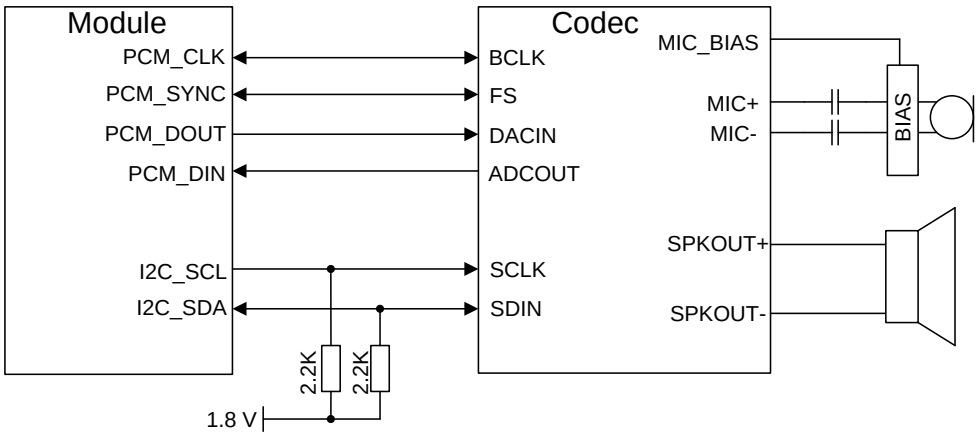


Figure 8: Reference Design of PCM Application with Audio Codec

NOTE

1. It is recommended to reserve an RC (R = 22 Ω, C = 22 pF) circuit on the PCM lines, especially for PCM_CLK.
2. The module works as a master device pertaining to I2C interface.

3.7. Control Signals

The following table shows the pin definition of control signals.

Table 10: Pin Definition of Control Signals

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Power Domain	Description	Comment
20	W_DISABLE_N*	DI	1.8 V	Airplane mode control	Active low.
22	RESET_N	DI	1.8 V	Reset the module	Active low.

3.7.1. W_DISABLE_N Signal*

The module provides a W_DISABLE_N signal to disable or enable the RF function (excluding GNSS). W_DISABLE_N for RF function control is disabled by default, and **AT+QCFG="airplanecontrol",1** can be used to enable the function.

W_DISABLE_N is pulled up by default. Driving it low sets the module into airplane mode.

Table 11: RF Function Status

W_DISABLE_N Level	AT Commands	RF Function Status
High Level	**AT+CFUN=1**	Enabled
High Level	**AT+CFUN=0** **AT+CFUN=4**	Disabled
Low Level	**AT+CFUN=0** **AT+CFUN=1** **AT+CFUN=4**	Disabled

3.7.2. RESET_N Signal

The RESET_N signal can be used to force a hardware reset of the module. Driving the pin low for 250–600 ms and then releasing it resets the module. The reset scenario is illustrated in the following figure.

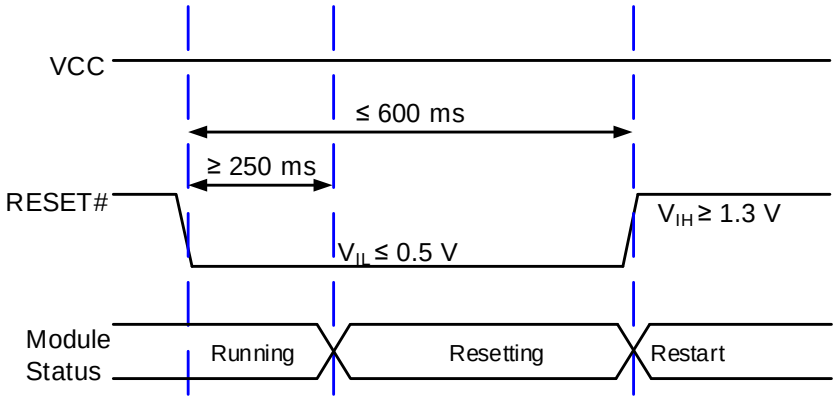


Figure 9: Sequence of Resetting Module

3.8. Tunable Antenna Control Interface*

ANTCTL[0:3] signals are used for tunable antenna control and should be routed to an appropriate antenna control circuitry.

More details about the interface will be added in the future version of the document.

Table 12: Pin Definition of Tunable Antenna Control Interface*

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ANTCTL0	3	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
ANTCTL1	5	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
ANTCTL2	44	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain
ANTCTL3	46	DO	Tunable antenna control	1.8 V power domain

4 GNSS Receiver

4.1. General Description

The module includes a fully integrated global navigation satellite system solution.

The module supports standard NMEA-0183 protocol, and outputs NMEA sentences at 1 Hz data update rate via USB interface by default.

By default, GNSS engine of the module is switched off. It has to be switched on via AT command. For more details about GNSS engine technology and configurations, see ***document [3]***.

4.2. GNSS Performance

The following table shows GNSS performance of the module.

Table 13: GNSS Performance

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
Sensitivity (GNSS)	Cold start	Autonomous	-145	dBm
	Reacquisition	Autonomous	-157	dBm
	Tracking	Autonomous	-157	dBm
TTFF (GNSS)	Cold start @ open sky	Autonomous	34.56	s
		XTRA enabled	19.41	s
	Warm start @ open sky	Autonomous	25.77	s
		XTRA enabled	2.26	s
	Hot start	Autonomous	2.66	s

	@ open sky	XTRA enabled	2.03	s
Accuracy (GNSS)	CEP-50	Autonomous @ open sky	2.5	m

NOTE

1. Tracking sensitivity: the minimum GNSS signal power at which the module can maintain lock (keep positioning for at least 3 minutes continuously).
2. Reacquisition sensitivity: the minimum GNSS signal power required for the module to maintain lock within 3 minutes after loss of lock.
3. Cold start sensitivity: the minimum GNSS signal power at which the module can fix position successfully within 3 minutes after executing cold start command.

4.3. Layout Guidelines

The following layout guidelines should be taken into account in your design.

- Maximize the distance among GNSS antenna, main antenna and Rx-diversity antenna.
- Digital circuits such as (U)SIM card, USB interface, camera module, display connector and SD card should be kept away from the antennas.
- Use ground vias around the GNSS trace and sensitive analog signal traces to provide coplanar isolation and protection.

5 Antenna Connection

The module is mounted with three 2 mm × 2 mm antenna connectors for external antenna connection: a main antenna connector, an Rx-diversity antenna connector, and a GNSS antenna connector. The impedance of the antenna connectors is 50 Ω.

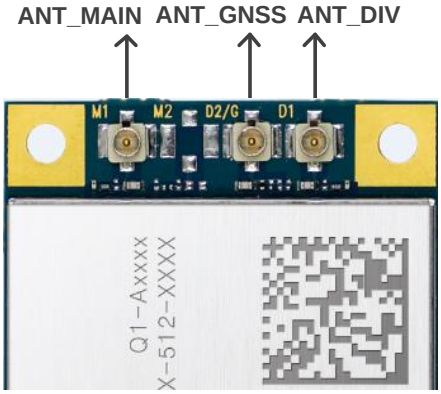


Figure 10: Antenna Connectors on the Module

5.1. Main/Rx-diversity Antenna Connectors

5.1.1. Description of Main/Rx-diversity Antenna Connectors

The details of main antenna and Rx-diversity antenna connectors are shown below.

Table 14: Description of Main/Rx-diversity Antenna Connectors

Connector	I/O	Description	Comment
M1	AIO	Main antenna connector	50 Ω impedance
D1	AI	Receive diversity antenna connector	50 Ω impedance

5.1.2. Operating Frequency

Table 15: EP06-E Operating Frequencies

3GPP Band	Transmit	Receive	Unit
WCDMA B1	1920–1980	2110–2170	MHz
WCDMA B3	1710–1785	1805–1880	MHz
WCDMA B5	824–849	869–894	MHz
WCDMA B8	880–915	925–960	MHz
LTE B1	1920–1980	2110–2170	MHz
LTE B3	1710–1785	1805–1880	MHz
LTE B5	824–849	869–894	MHz
LTE B7	2500–2570	2620–2690	MHz
LTE B8	880–915	925–960	MHz
LTE B20	832–862	791–821	MHz
LTE B28	703–748	758–803	MHz
LTE B32 [6]	-	1452–1496	MHz
LTE B38	2570–2620	2570–2620	MHz
LTE B40	2300–2400	2300–2400	MHz
LTE B41	2545–2655	2545–2655	MHz

Table 16: EP06-A Operating Frequencies

3GPP Band	Transmit	Receive	Unit
WCDMA B2	1850–1910	1930–1990	MHz
WCDMA B4	1710–1755	2110–2155	MHz
WCDMA B5	824–849	869–894	MHz

[6] LTE-FDD B32 supports Rx only, and in 2CA it is only for secondary component carrier.

LTE B2	1850–1910	1930–1990	MHz
LTE B4	1710–1755	2110–2155	MHz
LTE B5	824–849	869–894	MHz
LTE B7	2500–2570	2620–2690	MHz
LTE B12	699–716	729–746	MHz
LTE B13	777–787	746–756	MHz
LTE B25	1850–1915	1930–1995	MHz
LTE B26	814–849	859–894	MHz
LTE B29 [7]	-	717–728	MHz
LTE B30	2305–2315	2350–2360	MHz
LTE B66	1710–1780	2110–2200	MHz

5.2. GNSS Antenna Connector

The following tables show details of GNSS antenna connector and the frequency specifications of GNSS antenna.

Table 17: Description of GNSS Antenna Connector

Connector	I/O	Description	Comment
D2/G	AI	GNSS antenna connector	50 Ω impedance

Table 18: GNSS Frequency

Type	Frequency	Unit
GPS	1575.42 ±1.023	MHz
GLONASS	1597.5–1605.8	MHz

[7] LTE-FDD B29 supports Rx only, and in 2CA it is only for secondary component carrier.

Galileo	1575.42 ±2.046	MHz
BeiDou	1561.098 ±2.046	MHz
QZSS	1575.42	MHz

5.3. Antenna Connectors and Mating Plugs

The dimensions of the antenna connectors are shown as below.

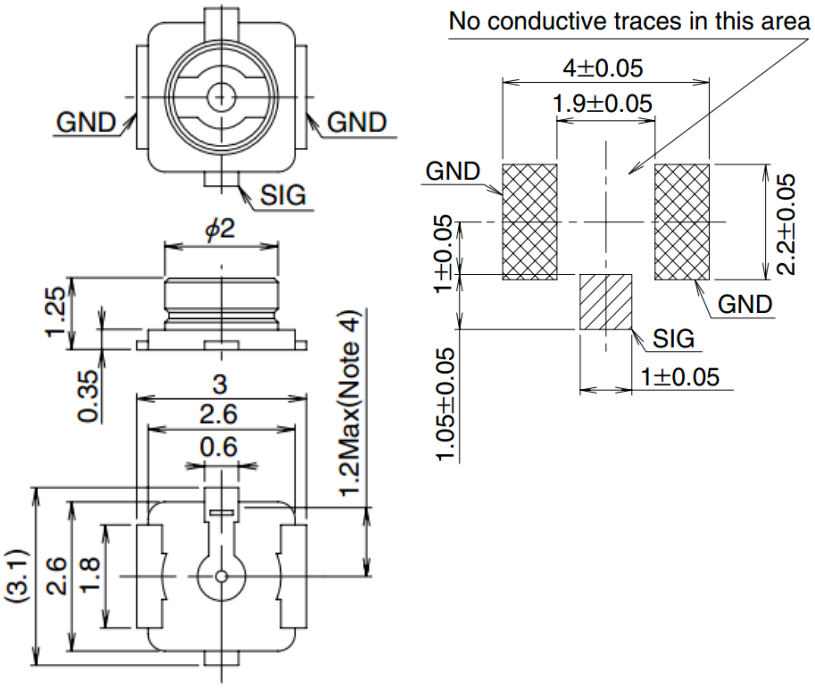


Figure 11: Dimensions of the Antenna Connectors (Unit: mm)

It is recommended to use U.FL-LP mating plugs listed in the following figure to match the antenna connectors.

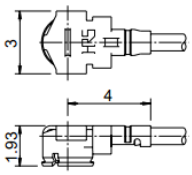
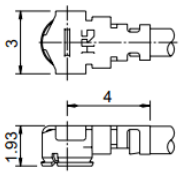
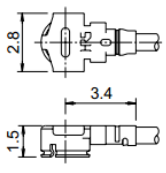
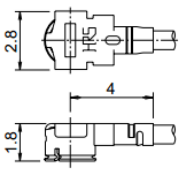
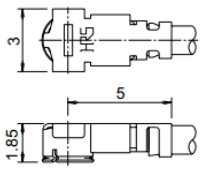
Part No.	U.FL-LP-040	U.FL-LP-066	U.FL-LP(V)-040	U.FL-LP-062	U.FL-LP-088
					
Mated Height	2.5mm Max. (2.4mm Nom.)	2.5mm Max. (2.4mm Nom.)	2.0mm Max. (1.9mm Nom.)	2.4mm Max. (2.3mm Nom.)	2.4mm Max. (2.3mm Nom.)
Applicable cable	Dia. 0.81mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 1.13mm and Dia. 1.32mm Coaxial cable	Dia. 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 12: Mechanicals of U.FL-LP Mating Plugs

The following figure describes the space factor of mating plugs.

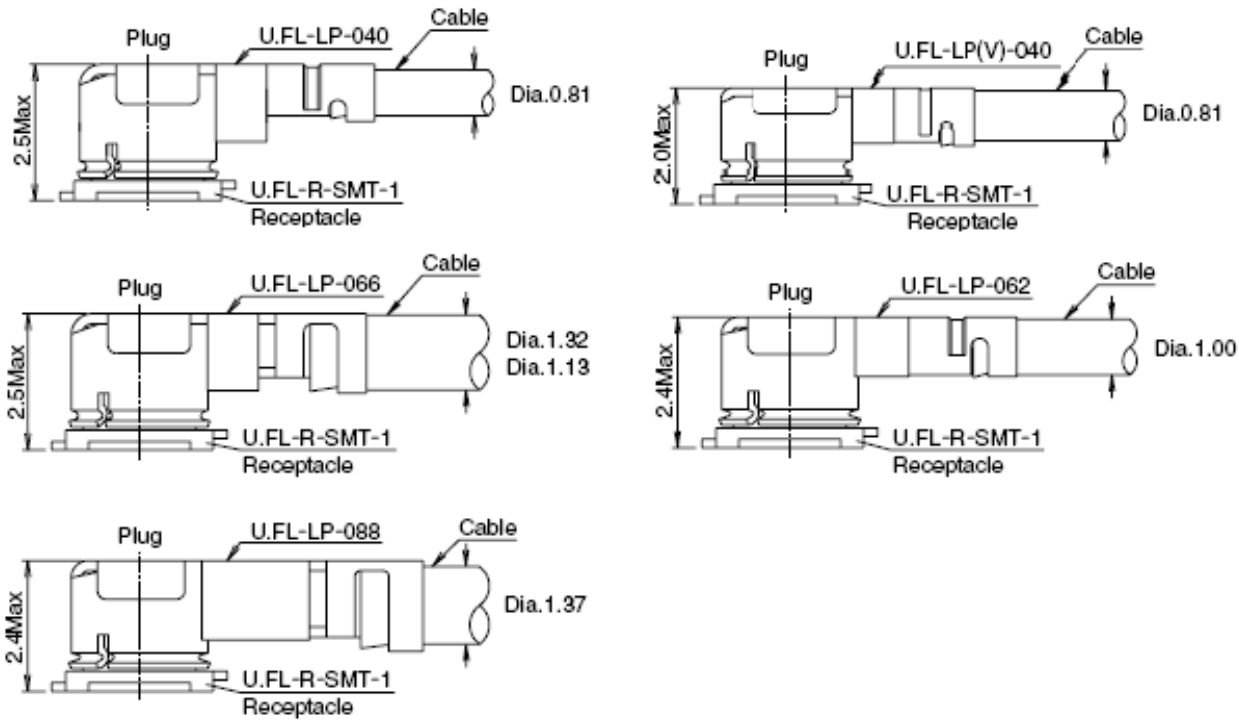


Figure 13: Space Factor of Mating Plugs (Unit: mm)

For more details of the recommended mating plugs, please visit http://www.hirose.com.

5.4. Antenna Requirements

The following table shows the requirements on the main antenna, Rx-diversity antenna and GNSS antenna.

Table 19: Antenna Requirements

Type	Requirements
GNSS [8]	● Frequency Range: 1559–1609 MHz ● Polarization: RHCP or linear ● VSWR: < 2 (Typ.) ● Passive Antenna Gain: > 0 dBi
WCDMA/LTE	● 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) - **< 2 dB:** HB (> 2.3 GHz)

[8] EP06 series module supports only passive GNSS antenna. If an active antenna is intended to be used, then it is necessary to design an external power supply circuit for the GNSS antenna. However, when LTE B13 or B14 is supported, it is recommended to use a passive GNSS antenna as the use of active antenna may generate harmonics which will affect the GNSS performance.

6 Reliability, Radio and Electrical Characteristics

6.1. General Description

This chapter mainly describes the following electrical and radio characteristics of the module:

- Absolute maximum ratings
- Power supply requirements
- RF characteristics
- GNSS performance
- Operating and storage temperatures
- ESD characteristics
- Current consumption
- Thermal consideration

6.2. Absolute Maximum Ratings

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

Table 20: Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min.	Max.	Unit
VCC	-0.3	4.7	V
Voltage at Digital Pins	-0.3	2.3	V

6.3. Power Supply Ratings

The typical input voltage of the module is 3.3 V, as specified by *PCI Express Mini CEM Specifications 1.2*. And the power supply of the module should be able to provide sufficient current of 2 A at least. The following table shows the power supply ratings of the module.

Table 21: Power Supply Ratings of EP06 Series

Parameter	Description	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
VCC	Power Supply	3.1	3.3	4.4	V

6.4. RF Characteristics

The following tables show the RF output power and receiving sensitivity of the module.

Table 22: RF Output Power

Frequency	Max.	Min.
WCDMA bands	24 dBm +1/-3 dB	< -50 dBm
LTE FDD bands	23 dBm ±2 dB	< -40 dBm
LTE TDD bands	23 dBm ±2 dB	< -40 dBm

Table 23: EP06-E Conducted RF Receiving Sensitivity

Frequency	Primary (Typ.)	Diversity (Typ.)	SIMO [9] (Typ.)	SIMO [10] (Worst Case)
WCDMA B1	-109.5 dBm	-107.5 dBm	-	-106.7 dBm
WCDMA B3	-108.5 dBm	-108.0 dBm	-	-103.7 dBm
WCDMA B5	-108.5 dBm	-109.0 dBm	-	-104.7 dBm

[9] SIMO is a smart antenna technology that uses a single antenna at the transmitter side and two antennas at the receiver side to improve Rx performance.
[10] As per 3GPP specification.

WCDMA B8	-109.5 dBm	-109.5 dBm	-	-103.7 dBm
LTE-FDD B1 (10 MHz)	-98.0 dBm	-96.0 dBm	-99.5 dBm	-96.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B3 (10 MHz)	-97.5 dBm	-97.5 dBm	-100.0 dBm	-93.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B5 (10 MHz)	-97.0 dBm	-98.5 dBm	-99.5 dBm	-94.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B7 (10 MHz)	-96.0 dBm	-96.0 dBm	-98.5 dBm	-94.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B8 (10 MHz)	-98.5 dBm	-98.0 dBm	-101.0 dBm	-93.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B20 (10 MHz)	-97.5 dBm	-99.0 dBm	-101.0 dBm	-93.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B28 (10 MHz)	-96.0 dBm	-98.0 dBm	-99.0 dBm	-94.8 dBm
LTE-TDD B38 (10 MHz)	-96.5 dBm	-96.0 dBm	-98.5 dBm	-96.3 dBm
LTE-TDD B40 (10 MHz)	-96.5 dBm	-97.0 dBm	-99.5 dBm	-96.3 dBm
LTE-TDD B41 (10 MHz)	-96.0 dBm	-96.0 dBm	-98.5 dBm	-94.3 dBm

Table 24: EP06-A Conducted RF Receiving Sensitivity

Frequency	Primary (Typ.)	Diversity (Typ.)	SIMO [11] (Typ.)	SIMO [12] (Worst Case)
WCDMA B2	-109.5 dBm	-108.5 dBm	-	-106.7 dBm
WCDMA B4	-109 dBm	-108.5 dBm	-	-103.7 dBm
WCDMA B5	-109.5 dBm	-110 dBm	-	-104.7 dBm
LTE-FDD B2 (10 MHz)	-98.2 dBm	-97.7 dBm	-100.7 dBm	-94.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B4 (10 MHz)	-97.7 dBm	-97.8 dBm	-100.2 dBm	-96.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B5 (10 MHz)	-98.0 dBm	-98.1 dBm	-100.9 dBm	-94.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B7 (10 MHz)	-96.2 dBm	-97 dBm	-98.2 dBm	-94.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B12 (10 MHz)	-97.2 dBm	-97.8 dBm	-101.7 dBm	-93.3 dBm
LTE-FDD B13 (10 MHz)	-97.7 dBm	-98.1 dBm	-100.7 dBm	-93.3 dBm

[11] SIMO is a smart antenna technology that uses a single antenna at the transmitter side and two antennas at the receiver side to improve Rx performance.
[12] As per 3GPP specification.

LTE-FDD B25 (10 MHz)	-98.8 dBm	-98.5 dBm	-100.5 dBm	-92.8 dBm
LTE-TDD B26 (10 MHz)	-98.5 dBm	-99.2 dBm	-101.8 dBm	-93.8 dBm
LTE-TDD B30 (10 MHz)	-96.9 dBm	-97.8 dBm	-99.2 dBm	-95.3 dBm
LTE-TDD B66 (10 MHz)	-98.1 dBm	-97.9 dBm	-100.6 dBm	-95.8 dBm

6.5. Operating and Storage Temperatures

Table 25: Operating and Storage Temperatures

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Operating Temperature Range [13]	-35	+25	+75	ºC
Extended Temperature Range [14]	-40	-	+85	ºC
Storage temperature Range	-40	-	+90	ºC

6.6. Electrostatic Discharge

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

The following table shows the module electrostatic discharge characteristics.

[13] Within the operating temperature range, the module meets 3GPP specifications.
[14] Within the extended temperature range, the module remains the ability to establish and maintain a voice, SMS, data transmission, emergency call, etc. without any unrecoverable malfunction. Radio spectrum and radio network will not be influenced, while one or more specifications, such as P_{out}, may undergo a reduction in value, exceeding the specified tolerances of 3GPP. When the temperature returns to the normal operating temperature level, the module meets 3GPP specifications again.

Table 26: Electrostatic Discharge Characteristics (Temperature: 25 °C, Humidity: 45 %)

Tested Points	Contact Discharge	Air Discharge	Unit
VBAT, GND	±5	±10	kV
Antenna Interfaces	±4	±8	kV
Other Interfaces	±0.5	±1	kV

6.7. Current Consumption

The following table shows the current consumption of EP06-E.

Table 27: EP06-E Current Consumption

Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
Sleep state	**AT+CFUN=0** (USB disconnected)	1.69	mA
	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	2.65	mA
	WCDMA PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	2.69	mA
	WCDMA PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	2.41	mA
	WCDMA PF = 512 (USB disconnected)	2.66	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 32 (USB disconnected)	3.06	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	3.26	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	2.58	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	2.26	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 32 (USB disconnected)	3.1	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	3.3	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	2.63	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	2.29	mA
Idle state	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	24	mA

	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB connected)	32.12	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	19.2	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB connected)	28.5	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	21.3	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB connected)	28.6	mA
WCDMA data transfer (GNSS OFF)	WCDMA B1 HSDPA CH10700 @ 23.2 dBm	621.1	mA
	WCDMA B1 HSUPA CH10700 @ 23.0 dBm	637.8	mA
	WCDMA B3 HSDPA CH 1338 @ 23.4 dBm	859.6	mA
	WCDMA B3 HSUPA CH 1338 @ 22.9 dBm	875.5	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSDPA CH4408 @ 23.0 dBm	608.7	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSUPA CH4408 @ 22.8 dBm	614.8	mA
	WCDMA B8 HSDPA CH3012 @ 22.9 dBm	693.5	mA
	WCDMA B8 HSUPA CH3012 @ 22.7 dBm	709.9	mA
LTE data transfer (GNSS OFF)	LTE-FDD B1 CH300 @ 23.1 dBm	681.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 CH1575 @ 22.5 dBm	905.6	mA
	LTE-FDD B5 CH2525 @ 22.9 dBm	625.7	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 CH3100 @ 23.1 dBm	1042.1	mA
	LTE-FDD B8 CH3625 @ 22.9 dBm	763.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B20 CH6300 @ 22.5 dBm	778.9	mA
	LTE-FDD B28 CH9510 @ 23.1 dBm	788.2	mA
	LTE-TDD B38 CH38000 @ 23.1 dBm	452.1	mA
	LTE-TDD B40 CH39150 @ 23.4 dBm	443.5	mA
	LTE-TDD B41 CH40740 @ 23.1 dBm	453.3	mA
2CA data transfer	LTE-FDD B1 + B1 @ 23.5 dBm	770.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B1 + B5 @ 23.3 dBm	823.1	mA

	LTE-FDD B1 + B8 @ 22.5 dBm	820.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B1 + B20 @ 22.6 dBm	832.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B1 + B28 @ 23.2 dBm	920.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B3 @ 23.37 dBm	986.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B5 @ 23.1 dBm	1010.7	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B7 @ 22.9 dBm	1046.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B8 @ 22.8 dBm	1017.1	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B20 @ 22.7 dBm	1060.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B3 + B28 @ 22.6 dBm	1079.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B5 @ 23.3 dBm	991.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B7 @ 23.3 dBm	1022.2	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B8 @ 23.3 dBm	1030.9	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B20 @ 23.3 dBm	1095.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B28 @ 23.2 dBm	1111.2	mA
	LTE-FDD B20 + B32 @ 23.2 dBm	805.65	mA
	LTE-TDD B38 + B38 @ 23.1 dBm	530.68	mA
	LTE-TDD B40 + B40 @ 22.7 dBm	462.23	mA
	LTE-TDD B41 + B41 @ 23.4 dBm	506.37	mA
WCDMA voice call	WCDMA B1 CH10700 @ 23.2 dBm	622.18	mA
	WCDMA B3 CH1122 @ 23.2 dBm	862.14	mA
	WCDMA B5 CH4408 @ 22.9 dBm	611.89	mA
	WCDMA B8 CH3012 @ 22.9 dBm	699.91	mA

Table 28: GNSS Current Consumption of EP06-E

Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
Searching (**AT+CFUN=0**)	Cold state @ Passive Antenna	60.77	mA
	Lost state @ Passive Antenna	60.5	mA
Tracking (**AT+CFUN=0**)	Instrument environment	36.05	mA
	Open Sky @ Passive Antenna	TBD	mA

The following table shows the current consumption of EP06-A.

Table 29: EP06-A Current Consumption

Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
Sleep state	**AT+CFUN=0** (USB disconnected)	1.88	mA
	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	2.4	mA
	WCDMA PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	2.29	mA
	WCDMA PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	2.29	mA
	WCDMA PF = 512 (USB disconnected)	2.28	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 32 (USB disconnected)	3.5	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	3.47	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	3.5	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	3.49	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 32 (USB disconnected)	3.67	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	3.6	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 128 (USB disconnected)	3.2	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 256 (USB disconnected)	3.54	mA
Idle state	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	21.2	mA
	WCDMA PF = 64 (USB connected)	31.3	mA

	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	22.7	mA
	LTE-FDD PF = 64 (USB connected)	31.1	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB disconnected)	23.9	mA
	LTE-TDD PF = 64 (USB connected)	31.2	mA
WCDMA data transfer (GNSS OFF)	WCDMA B2 HSDPA CH9400 @ 23.1 dBm	563.4	mA
	WCDMA B2 HSUPA CH9400 @ 23.1 dBm	552.5	mA
	WCDMA B4 HSDPA CH1412 @ 22.87 dBm	648.5	mA
	WCDMA B4 HSUPA CH1412 @ 22.7 dBm	647.4	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSDPA CH4407 @ 22.7 dBm	565.1	mA
	WCDMA B5 HSUPA CH4407 @ 22.7 dBm	588.2	mA
LTE data transfer (GNSS OFF)	LTE-FDD B2 CH900 @ 23.8 dBm	723.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B4 CH 2175 @ 23.8 dBm	837.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B5 CH2525 @ 23.5 dBm	654.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 CH3100 @ 23.4 dBm	1002	mA
	LTE-FDD B12 CH5095 @ 23.5 dBm	615	mA
	LTE-FDD B13 CH5230 @ 23.5 dBm	670.7	mA
	LTE-FDD B25 CH8365 @ 24.3 dBm	778.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B26 CH8865 @ 23.4 dBm	702.3	mA
	LTE-FDD B30 CH9820 @ 23.4 dBm	802.6	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 CH132322 @ 23.8 dBm	850.1	mA
2CA data transfer	LTE-FDD B2 + B2 @ 20.66 dBm	737.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B2 + B5 @ 20.98 dBm	699.6	mA
	LTE-FDD B2 + B12 @ 20.87 dBm	700.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B2 + B13 @ 21.06 dBm	698	mA
	LTE-FDD B2 + B29 @ 21.0 dBm	699.8	mA

	LTE-FDD B4 + B4 @ 21.55 dBm	772.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B4 + B5 @ 20.93 dBm	810.1	mA
	LTE-FDD B4 + B12 @ 20.75 dBm	809.2	mA
	LTE-FDD B4 + B13 @ 20.73 dBm	814.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B4 + B29 @ 20.77 dBm	808.7	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B5 @ 20.67 dBm	909.2	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B7 @ 20.63 dBm	903.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B12 @ 20.47 dBm	915.8	mA
	LTE-FDD B7 + B26 @ 20.55 dBm	938	mA
	LTE-FDD B25 + B5 @ 20.94 dBm	695.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B25 + B12 @ 20.55 dBm	697.5	mA
	LTE-FDD B25 + B25 @ 20.54 dBm	762.6	mA
	LTE-FDD B25 + B26 @ 21.06 dBm	721.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B30 + B5 @ 20.56 dBm	794.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B30 + B12 @ 20.43 dBm	799.4	mA
	LTE-FDD B30 + B29 @ 20.31 dBm	806.1	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 + B5 @ 20.06 dBm	732.9	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 + B12 @ 20.03 dBm	734	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 + B29 @ 20.05 dBm	736.1	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 + B66 @ 19.93 dBm	801.7	mA
	LTE-FDD B66 + B13 @ 20.03 dBm	739.7	mA
WCDMA voice call	WCDMA B2 CH9400 @ 24.2 dBm	608.1	mA
	WCDMA B4 CH1412 @ 23.8 dBm	720.8	mA
	WCDMA B5 CH4407 @ 23.5 dBm	619.6	mA

Table 30: GNSS Current Consumption of EP06-A

Description	Conditions	Typ.	Unit
Searching (**AT+CFUN=0**)	Cold state @ Passive Antenna	59.5	mA
	Lost state @ Passive Antenna	54.4	mA
Tracking (**AT+CFUN=0**)	Instrument environment	28.5	mA
	Open Sky @ Passive Antenna	30.0	mA

6.8. Thermal Consideration

In order to achieve better performance of the module, it is strongly recommended to comply with the following principles for thermal consideration:

- On customers' PCB design, please keep placement of the module away from heating sources, especially high-power components such as ARM processor, audio power amplifier, power supply.
- Do not place components on the PCB area where the module is mounted, in order to facilitate adding of heatsink.
- The reference ground of the area where the module is mounted should be complete, and add ground vias as many as possible for better heat dissipation.
- Add a heatsink on the top of the module and the heatsink should be designed with as many fins as possible to increase heat dissipation area. Meanwhile, a thermal pad with high thermal conductivity should be used between the heatsink and module.
- Add a thermal pad with appropriate thickness at the bottom of the module to conduct the heat to PCB.

The following shows the referenced heatsink and thermal pad designs.

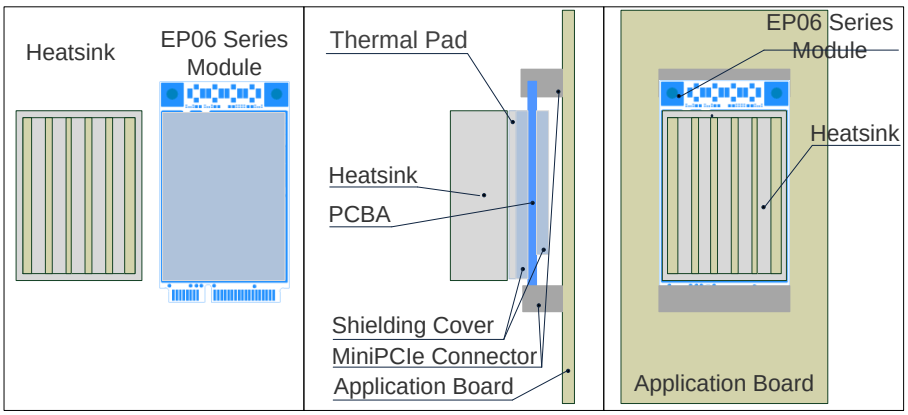


Figure 14: Reference Heatsink Design

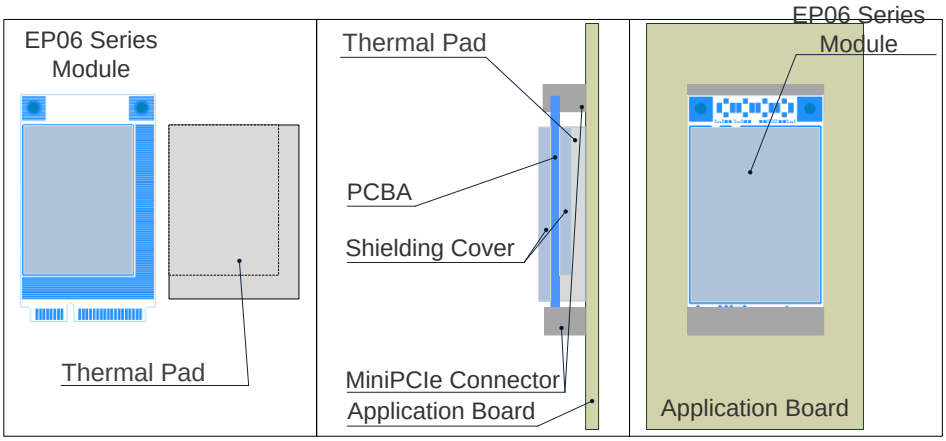


Figure 15: Reference Thermal Pad Design

NOTE

1. Make sure that customers' PCB design provides sufficient cooling for the module: proper mounting, heatsinks, and active cooling may be required depending on the integrated application.
2. In order to protect the components from damage, the thermal design should be maximally optimized to make sure the module's internal temperature always maintains below 105 °C. Customers can execute **AT+QTEMP** command to get the module's internal temperature.
3. For more detailed guidelines on thermal design, see ***document [5]***.

7 Mechanical Dimensions

This chapter mainly describes the mechanical dimensions as well as packaging specifications 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

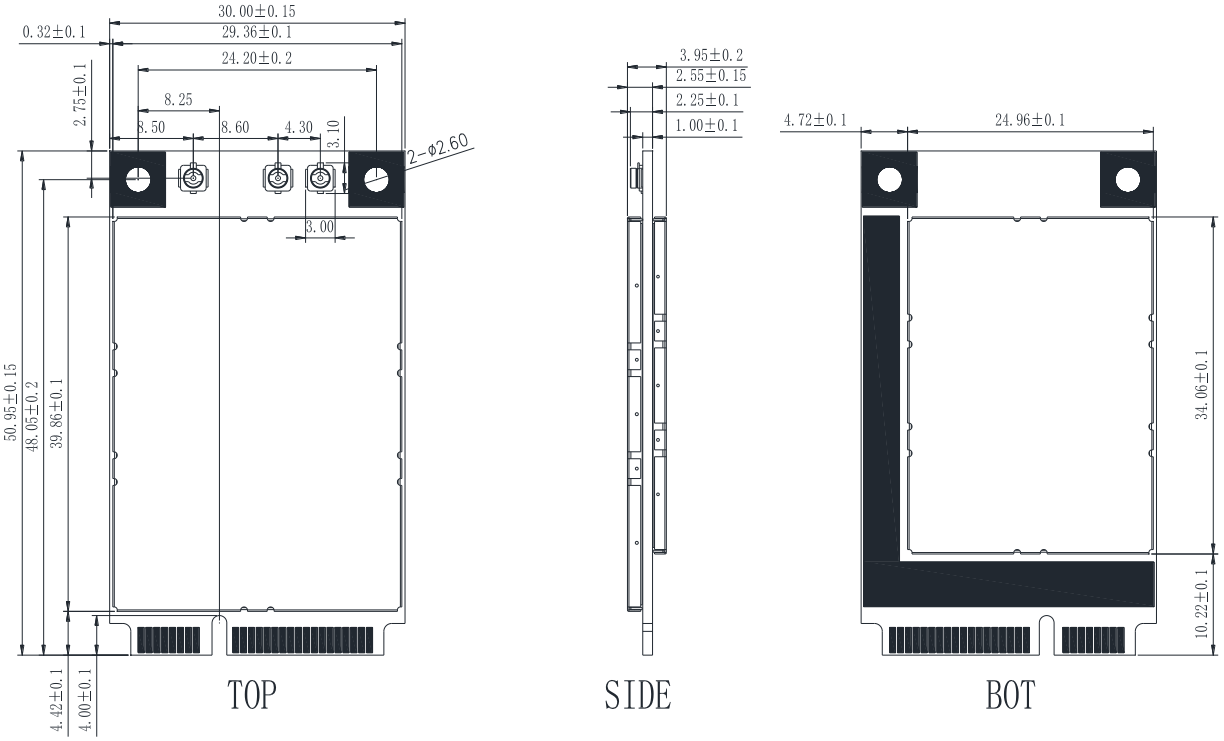


Figure 16: Mechanical Dimensions of EP06 Series

7.2. Standard Dimensions of Mini PCI Express

The following figure shows the standard dimensions of Mini PCI Express. See *PCI Express Mini Card Electromechanical Specification Revision 1.2* for detailed dimensions.

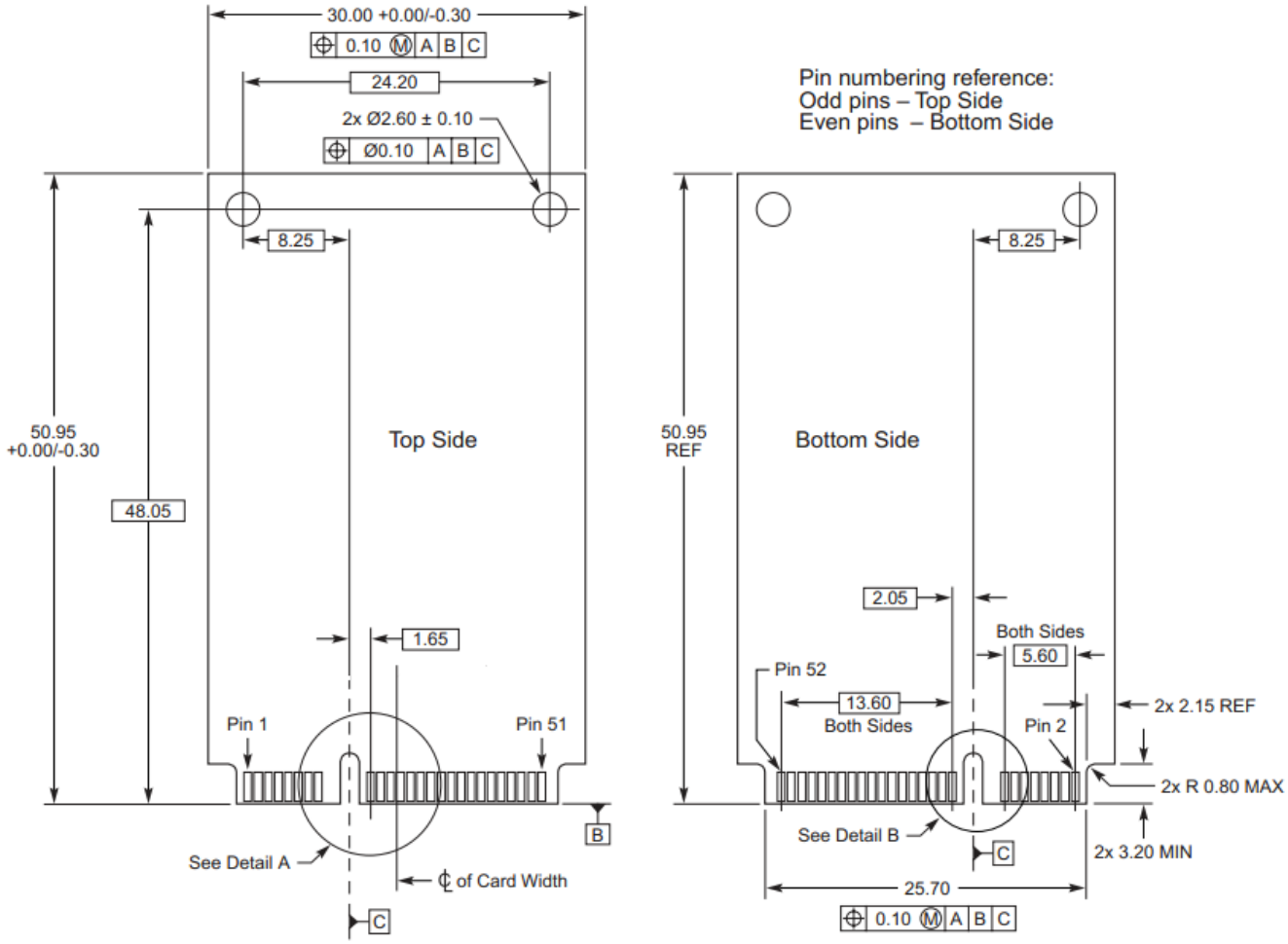


Figure 17: Standard Dimensions of Mini PCI Express

EP06 series Mini PCIe adopts a standard Mini PCI Express connector which compiles with the directives and standards listed in the *PCI Express Mini Card Electromechanical Specification Revision 1.2*. The following figure takes the Molex 679100002 as an example.

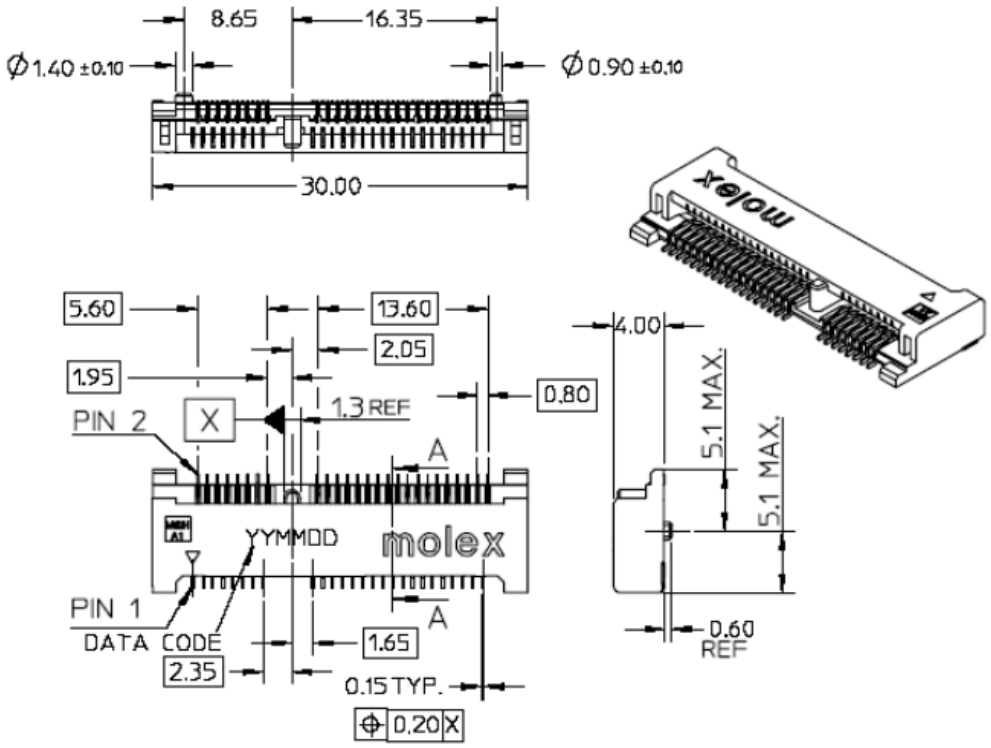


Figure 18: Dimensions of the Mini PCI Express Connector (Molex 679100002)

7.3. Top and Bottom Views of the Module

Figure 19: Top and Bottom Views 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.

7.4. Packaging

EP06 series modules are packaged in trays. The following figure shows the tray size.

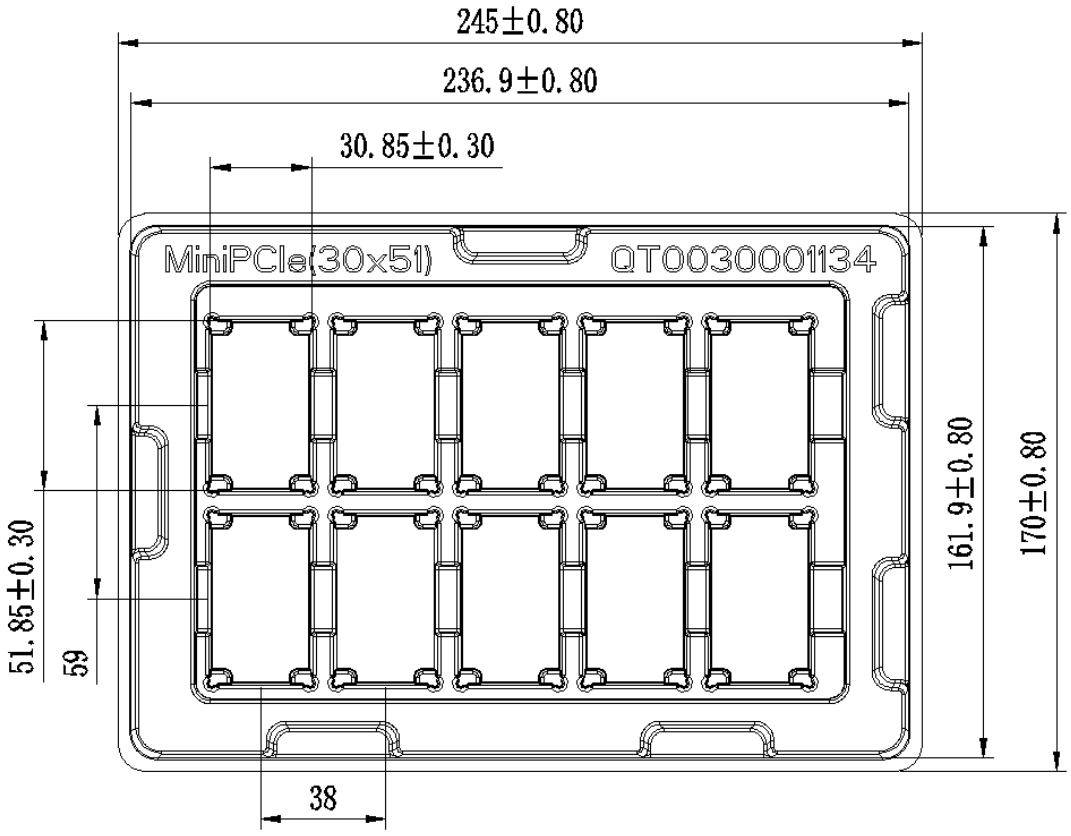


Figure 20: Tray Size (Unit: mm)

Each tray contains 10 modules. The smallest package contains 100 modules. Tray packaging procedures are as below.

1. Use 10 trays to package 100 modules at a time (tray size: 245.0 mm × 170.0 mm).
2. Place an empty tray on the top of the 10-tray stack.
3. Fix the stack with masking tape in “#” shape as shown in the following figure.
4. Pack the stack with conductive bag, and then fix the bag with masking tape.
5. Place the list of IMEI No. into a small carton.
6. Seal the carton and then label the seal with sealing sticker (small carton size: 250.0 mm × 175.0 mm × 128.0 mm).

Figure 21: Tray Packaging Procedure

8 Appendix References

Table 31: Related Documents

Document Name
[1] Quectel_EPXX_EVB_User_Guide
[2] Quectel_EP06&EG06&EM06_AT_Commands_Manual
[3] Quectel_EP06&EG06&EM06_GNSS_AT_Commands_Manual
[4] Quectel_RF_Layout_Application_Note
[5] Quectel_LTE_Module_Thermal_Design_Guide

Table 32: Terms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
AMR	Adaptive Multi-rate
bps	Bits per Second
CHAP	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol
DFOTA	Delta Firmware Upgrade Over-the-Air
DL	Downlink
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
FDD	Frequency Division Duplex
GLONASS	Global Navigation Satellite System (Russia)
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GPS	Global Positioning System
HSDPA	High Speed Downlink Packet Access

HSPA	High Speed Packet Access
HSUPA	High Speed Uplink Packet Access
kbps	Kilo Bits per Second
LTE-A	Long Term Evolution-Advanced
Mbps	Million Bits per Second
ME	Mobile Equipment (Module)
MIMO	Multiple-Input Multiple-Output
MMS	Multimedia Messaging Service
MO	Mobile Originated
MT	Mobile Terminated
PAP	Password Authentication Protocol
PCM	Pulse Code Modulation
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PPP	Point-to-Point Protocol
RF	Radio Frequency
Rx	Receive
SIMO	Single Input Multiple Output
SMS	Short Message Service
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UL	Uplink
URC	Unsolicited Result Code
(U)SIM	(Universal) Subscriber Identification Module
Vmax	Maximum Voltage
Vmin	Minimum Voltage
Vnom	Nominal Voltage
WCDMA	Wideband Code Division Multiple Access