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1 Introduction

The Cinterion[®] Concept Board is a development tool engineered by Gemalto which enables programmers worldwide to quickly build M2M and Internet of Things (IoT) prototypes.

Thanks to its Shield Interface (following Arduino), little to no hardware expertise is needed to connect all kinds of sensors and actuators. Wireless connectivity is provided by the Cinterion® EHS6 module and the on-board penta-band antenna.

Applications are written in Java using widely spread tools such as Eclipse and NetBeans.

This document describes the hardware of the Cinterion[®] Concept Board. It helps you quickly retrieve interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details.

1.1 Key features at a Glance

Figure 1 shows the main Concept Board features:

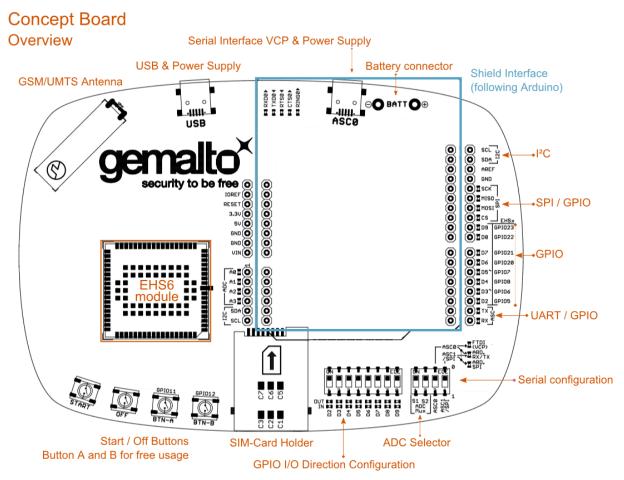


Figure 1: Concept Board feature overview

Table 1: Key features at a glance

| Feature | Implementation | | |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Frequency bands | UMTS/HSPA+: Five band 800/850/900/1900/2100MHz GSM/GPRS/EDGE: Quad band 850/900/1800/1900MHz For further EHS6 Module details see [1] | | |
| SIM interface | Supported SIM cards: 3.0V, 1.8V | | |
| Antenna interface | Penta-band GSM/UMTS RF antenna | | |
| Extension interface | Extension of Concept Board hardware through the Shield Interface | | |
| Power supply | USB interface and Supports Li+ battery pack through 2-pin connector on board | | |
| Serial interface | EHS6 ASC0 via Virtual COM Port (VCP) Maximum baud rate 921kbps | | |
| USB interface | Supported | | |
| User buttons | 4 buttons: - START - OFF - User button BTN-A - User button BTN-B | | |
| LEDs | Current configuration is displayed via on board LEDs. | | |
| Configuration | Two switch banks allow manual configuration of GPIO signal direction, ATC multiplexing and SPI/ASC sharing configuration. SW controlled configuration via CCU (Configuration Control Unit). | | |

1.2 System Overview

At the core of the Concept Board there is a Cinterion $^{\otimes}$ EHS6 module. The module acts both as a GSM/UMTS modem, and as Java $^{\text{TM}}$ application processor running a J2ME Java Virtual Machine.

Due to its low power architecture, the EHS6 module interfaces (such as GPIOs, SPI, etc.) operate at 1.8V. On the other hand, the Shield Interface operates at 5V. A level adaptation layer shifts the different operating voltage levels. These level shifters have to be set in the direction needed for correct shield operation which can be done via the Control Switch Bank or via I2C command by a Configuration and Control Unit (CCU).

Figure 2 shows the Concept Board system architecture.

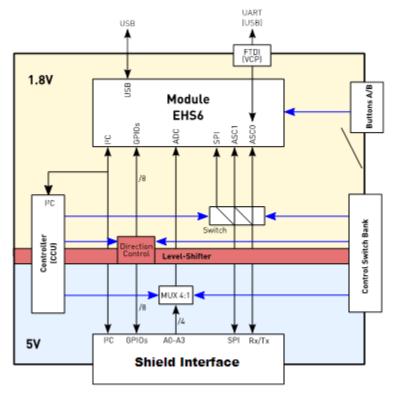


Figure 2: Concept Board architecture overview

2 Interface Characteristics

2.1 Shield Interface

The Concept Board supports a 32 pin extension interface called the Shield Interface. The Shield Interface allows the user to conveniently connect external hardware components (such as sensors, actuators, shields, etc.).

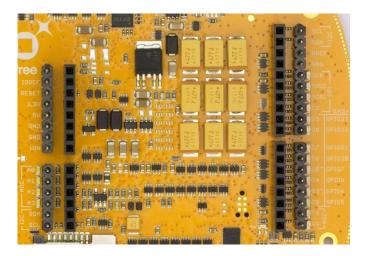


Figure 3: Shield Interface (top view)

Table 2 shows the pin assignment of the Shield Interface, as well as the corresponding pin of the EHS6 module where it is connected to. The DIR column shows whether this pin is input, output or bidirectional.

Table 2: Shield Interface pin assignments and their properties

| | | | | I |
|-------|-----------------|-----|--|---|
| Name | EHS6 | DIR | Description | Properties |
| NC | - | | Do not use | |
| IOREF | - | 0 | 5V | V _{usb} – 0.25V |
| RESET | EMERG_RST | I | Reset signal for EHS6 | Active low >10ms reset EHS6 V _I max = 0.5V; 47K pull up to 5V |
| 3.3V | - | 0 | Shield supply 3.3V | 3.3V / 200mAmax |
| 5V | - | 0 | Shield supply 5V | V _{usb} - 0.25V |
| GND | - | | Main Ground | |
| Vin | - | 0 | Connected to 5V | |
| A0 | ADC1 | I | ADC multiplexed 1:4 | V_I max = 5V; R_i = 120k Ω , t_{sw} = 30ms, t_{conv} = TBD |
| A1 | ADC1 | I | ADC multiplexed 1:4 | V_I max = 5V; R_i = 120k Ω , t_{sw} = 30ms, t_{conv} = TBD |
| A2 | ADC1 | I | ADC multiplexed 1:4 | V_I max = 5V; Ri = 120k Ω , t_{sw} = 30ms, t_{conv} = TBD |
| A3 | ADC1 | I | ADC multiplexed 1:4 | V_I max = 5V; Ri = 120k Ω , t_{sw} = 30ms, t_{conv} = TBD |
| SDA | SDA | 10 | I ² C data signal | $R_{pu} = 4.7K\Omega$ to 5V |
| SCL | SCL | 0 | I ² C clock signal | $R_{pu} = 4.7K\Omega$ to 5V |
| | | | | |
| SCL | SCL | 0 | I ² C clock signal | $R_{pu} = 4.7 K\Omega$ to 5V |
| SDA | SDA | Ю | I ² C data signal | $R_{pu} = 4.7 K\Omega$ to 5V |
| AREF | - | | Not connected | - |
| SCK | SCK / DSR0 | 0 | SPI Clock out, Alternate UART flow control | 5V Push pull; I _O = +-50mA |
| MISO | MISO / GPI17 | I | SPI Data input Alternate GPI | I_{in} max = +-2 μ A |

| MOSI | MOSI / | 0 | SPI Data onput | 5V Push pull; $I_O = +-50$ mA; $t_{osw} = 35\mu$ s |
|------|---------|----|----------------|---|
| | GPO16 | | Alternate GPO | , , 5 , 55 |
| CS | CS/ | 0 | SPI CS | 5V Push pull; I_O =+-50mA; t_{osw} = 35 μ s |
| | GPO19 | | Alternate GPO | |
| D9 | GPIO23 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, I _o = +-50mA; IN: I _{in} max = +-2μA t _{osw} = 35μs, t _{dsw} = 10ms |
| D8 | GPIO22 | 10 | GPIO | OUT: 5V, I _o = +-50mA; IN: I _{in} max = +-2µA |
| D0 | GI 1022 | 10 | GI IO | $t_{\text{osw}} = 35\mu \text{s}, t_{\text{dsw}} = 10\text{ms}$ |
| D7 | GPIO21 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50$ mA; IN: I_{in} max = $+-2\mu$ A |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| D6 | GPIO20 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50$ mA; IN: I_{in} max = $+-2\mu$ A |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| D5 | GPIO7 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50$ mA; IN: I_{in} max = $+-2\mu$ A |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| D4 | GPIO8 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50$ mA; IN: I_{in} max = $+-2\mu$ A |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| D3 | GPIO6 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50 \text{mA}$; IN: $I_{in} \text{max} = +-2 \mu \text{A}$ |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| D2 | GPIO5 | Ю | GPIO | OUT: 5V, $I_0 = +-50$ mA; IN: I_{in} max = $+-2\mu$ A |
| | | | | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$, $t_{dsw} = 10ms$ |
| TX | RxD0 / | 0 | UART ASC0 / | 5V Push pull; I _o = +-50mA |
| | RxD1 | | UART ASC1 | $t_{osw} = 35\mu s$ |
| RX | TxD0 / | I | UART ASC0 | I_{in} max = +-2 μ A |
| | TxD1 | | UART ASC1 | |

 t_{msw} = multiplexer switching time; including I^2C Java connection setup

2.1.1 **UART**

The Shield Interface provides a UART port (RxD/TxD) which supports baudrates up to 921kbit/s. The UART port is connected to the EHS6 ASC1 serial port by default. Depending on the user requirements (for instance, if SPI functionality is required), the Control Switch Bank can be used to route ASC0 to the UART port instead, allowing the SPI functionality to be available at the Shield Interface.

For further details please refer to section 3.1.

2.1.2 I²C

This interface is always active; both CCU and the Shield Interface are connected to through the I²C bus to the EHS6 module.

When using the CCU, the I²C data traffic is also present at the Shield Interface. For details on the I²C protocol used to control the CCU refer to section 0.

2.1.3 SPI

A four line SPI Master interface is supported by the Concept Board. By default, the SPI port of the EHS6 module is deactivated.

In order to use SPI functionality, the SPI port has to be activated by your Java program, or through the following AT command:

AT^SSPI=1,0,[speed],0,0,[mode]

t_{dsw} = direction change switching time; toggling in/out, including I²C Java connection setup

 t_{osw} = output change switching time; toggling L/H

 $t_{conv} = ADC$ conversion time

Table 3: SPI settings

| Speed setting | Data transfer rate |
|---------------|------------------------|
| 0000 | 100 kbps |
| 0001 | 250 kbps |
| 0010 | 500 kbps |
| 0011 | 1.083 Mbps |
| 0100 | 3.25 Mbps |
| 0101 | 6.5 Mbps |
| Mode setting | Description |
| 0000 | Mode 0; CPOL=0, CPHA=0 |
| 0001 | Mode 1; CPOL=0, CPHA=1 |
| 0010 | Mode 2; CPOL=1, CPHA=0 |
| 0011 | Mode 3; CPOL=1, CPHA=1 |

The level shifters for the SPI interface are already set in right direction and cannot be changed.

2.1.4 **GPIO**

The Concept Board supports up to 11 GPIOs whereas 3 GPIOs have fixed direction which cannot be changed (shared with the SPI port).

Out of the 11 GPIOs, 8 are input/output, 2 are fixed outputs, and 1 is a fixed input.

Table 4: GPIO pin assignment

| Shield Interface GPIO | EHS6 GPIO |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| D2 | GPIO5 |
| D3 | GPIO6 |
| D4 | GPIO8 |
| D5 | GPIO7 |
| D6 | GPIO20 |
| D7 | GPIO21 |
| D8 | GPIO22 |
| D9 | GPIO23 |
| CS | GPO19 |
| MOSI | GPO16 |
| MISO | GPI17 |

2.1.5 ADC

The 4 ADC channels ADC0...ADC3 are multiplexed to one EHS6 ADC channel. Choosing one channel out of four can be done either by the Control Switch Bank or through the CCU.

The EHS6 conversion result is given in mV with a limit of 1200mV. An adaptation between the 5V Shield Interface and the 1.2V EHS6 is implemented which means the full scale 1200mV equals the full scale 5V on the Shield Interface. Therefore, the **division factor 4.17** has to be used when programming ADC-based applications in Java.

2.1.6 Power supply

A chargeable Lithium+ battery pack can be connected / soldered on the BATT pads. The on-board circuit charges the battery pack up to 4.1V with max 250mA. This battery pack can operate as the main power source when the USB power is not connected. In such case, the 5V Shield Interface supply is drawn from the battery pack, and is therefore equal to the battery voltage (allowed range: 4.1...3.3V).

The user is ultimately responsible to dimension the battery. Due to the current consumption during GSM operation, we recommend to use a battery of capacity >800mAh.

External battery shields may be used. In that case, the Diode D10 on the Concept Board has to be replaced by a 0Ω resistor.

2.2 Serial communication interfaces

Two USB connectors are present on the board. The connector named "USB" connects directly to the EHS6 USB port.

EHS6 enumerates, i.e., registers with the USB host, as a CDC-ACM Composite USB device supporting eight separate interfaces. This is the *Composite Communication* enumeration.

Under Microsoft® Windows XP™, Microsoft® Windows Vista® and Microsoft® Windows 7 this USB device implements a Modem port (a virtual USB Modem port) plus six further communication ports as well as a reserved port. The Modem port as well as the ports enumerated 3 to 5 are AT command interfaces, i.e., these ports are accessible by AT command and may be used as control and data interfaces.

The interfaces - with the exception of the reserved port - are controlled by separate device drivers running on the Windows host. These drivers may be standard USB drivers integrated in Windows. The driver configuration files for Windows (.inf files) are supplied by Gemalto and need to be installed before the device can be used.

The second one named "ASC0" serves a virtual COM port chipset (FTDI FT232R). Depending on the status of the Configuration Switch Bank, this ASC0 VCP is active or mapped to the Shield Interface. The red LED under "ASC0" displays the current configuration. When turned on, ASC0 is active on USB VCP; when off, ASC0 is disconnected from the VCP while the VCP itself is still activated on PC side.



Figure 4: USB and ASC0 connection

2.3 Configuration Control

2.3.1 Manual control of SPI/ASC1 sharing and ADC multiplexing

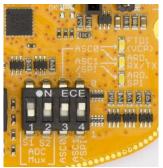
The Configuration Switch Bank controls the SPI/ASC1 sharing and the ADC multiplexing. The settings are displayed via LEDs. The settings can be overruled by the Configuration Control Unit (CCU) via I²C commands. Refer to chapter 0 for details.

In order to get manual control over the configuration, the CCU has to release the switch settings via an I²C command.

Important note: If the CCU is used to control the interface configuration, the LED display may not fit to the actual Configuration Switch Bank settings. This happens because the CCU overrules any switch settings. In any case, the LEDs always show the correct settings.

On the right switch bank (1-4)

- the first two switches (1 and 2) are selecting the active Shield Interface ADC channel which is displayed by the LEDs A0...A3
- the last two switches (3 and 4) are selecting the ASC0, ASC1, SPI configuration, see table below



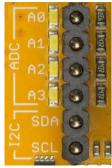


Figure 5: configuration switch bank and corresponding LEDs

Table 5: Concept Board configuration for ASC/SPI and ADC

| | | ADC | | |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|---------|
| Switch 1 & 2 up | | A0 | | |
| Switch 1 down / 2 up | | A1 | | |
| Switch 1 up / 2 down | | A2 | | |
| Switch 1 & 2 down | A3 | | | |
| | ASC0 | ASC1 | SPI | |
| Switch 3 & 4 up | USB VCP | to Shield I/F | Not used | |
| Switch 3 down / 4 up | to Shield I/F | Not used | to Shield I/F | 1 2 3 4 |
| Switch 3 up / 4 down | USB VCP | Not used | to Shield I/F | 1 2 0 1 |
| Switch 3 & 4 down | Res | erved for future | use | |

2.3.2 Configuration and control via CCU by I²C command

The same manual configuration can be selected via the CCU I²C commands. Refer to section 0 for the CCU I²C command-set.

2.3.3 GPIO direction control via switch bank

The Configuration Switch Bank also controls the direction of the 8 GPIO lines D2~D9. Setting the switches up configures the corresponding GPIO direction as an output towards the Shield Interface, while setting them down configures the GPIO direction as an input.

The settings are displayed through the colour of the LED: yellow means output, while orange means input. These settings can also be overruled by the CCU. Once activated, the CCU has to release the switch settings to allow manual control.

Important note: if the CCU is active, the LED display may not fit to the actual switch bank settings, as the switches were overruled by the CCU. In any case, the LEDs always show the correct settings.

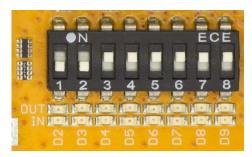


Figure 6: GPIO direction control switch bank and LED

Table 6: Concept Board configuration for GPIO direction

| | GPIO18 | LED | |
|----------------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| Switch 18 up | Output | Yellow | |
| Switch 18 down | Input | Orange | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |

2.4 User buttons

The START and OFF buttons control the operation of the Concept Board.

The START button triggers an ignition signal for the EHS6 module.

The OFF button completely switches the Concept Board off, while the Shield Interface power supply remains active.

BTN-A and BTN-B are connected to EHS6 and can be used as general purpose user buttons.

3 Shield compatibility aspects

There are a number of compatible extension boards (or shields) available in the market. In order to ensure the compatibility of the Concept Board with the shield of your choice, we have listed the aspects that should to be checked beforehand.

3.1 SPI, ASC1, DSR0 sharing

SPI and ASC1 functionality is shared in EHS6. That means, ASC1 is not active when using SPI on the Concept Board and therefore it is disconnected from the Shield Interface.

Alternatively, the ASC0 port of EHS6 can be used in parallel with the SPI port. ASC0 (TxD/RxD) can be mapped to the Shield Interface (instead of the default, ASC1) by simply configuring the switch banks appropriately.

When using SPI on the Concept Board, the flow control signal DSR0 (USB VCP) is not active and can't be used.

3.2 D10~D13 and SPI sharing

As the GPIOs D10~D13 on the Shield Interface are shared with the SPI interface, the D10~D13 signal directions are fixed corresponding to the SPI direction settings.

D10 (CS), D11 (MOSI) and D13 (SCK) can only be used as an OUTPUT, whereas D12 (MISO) can only be used as an INPUT.

3.3 ADC limitations

EHS6 supports one ADC channel. To have four ADC available on the Shield Interface, the EHS6 ADC can be multiplexed (controlled manually or via CCU). This may result in a speed limitation when switching between the channels. Switching and conversion timing are given in Table 2.

3.4 GPIO switching speed limitation

The GPIO switching speed is limited, which should be taken into account when choosing sensor shields. E.g. when using a GPIO signal as a command/data decider, a SPI data throughput might be reduced because of slower command/data transition. Switch timings are given in Table 2.

3.5 GPIO direction speed switching

As the automatic GPIO direction setting is controlled by the CCU, the speed at which a GPIO can change its direction is limited. Refer to Table 2 for the detailed timing.

3.6 Interrupt signals

EHS6 doesn't support interrupt signals, incoming messages / signals have to be polled.

4 Specifications

4.1 Limiting values

Table 7: Absolute maximum ratings

| Parameter | Min | Max | Unit |
|--|------|------|------|
| Supply voltage on USB ports | -0.3 | 5.75 | V |
| Supply voltage on BATT terminal | -0.3 | 5.5 | V |
| Voltage at 3.3V application supply interface (Shield I/F) | -0.3 | 3.3 | V |
| Voltage at 5V application supply interface (Shield I/F) | -0.3 | 5 | V |
| Voltage at application signal interface (Shield I/F) | -0.3 | 6 | V |
| Sink / source current application signal interface (Shield I/F) | -50 | +50 | mA |
| Overall source current application signal interface (Shield I/F) | | +150 | mA |
| Environmental temperature | 0 | 35 | °C |

4.2 Recommended operating conditions

Table 8: recommended operating conditions

| Parameter | | Max | Unit |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Supply voltage on USB ports | 4.75 | 5.25 | ٧ |
| Supply voltage on BATT terminal | 3.5 | 5.5 | V |

4.3 Static characteristics

Table 9: static characteristics

| Parameter | Max | Unit |
|---|------|------|
| High level input voltage on application interface @ V _{usb} = 5V | 3.36 | V |
| Low level input voltage on application interface @ V _{usb} = 5V | 1.44 | V |
| High level output voltage on application interface @ $V_{usb} = 5V$; $I_o = -32mA$ | 4.1 | ٧ |
| Low level output voltage on application interface @ $V_{usb} = 5V$; $I_o = 32mA$ | 0.55 | V |

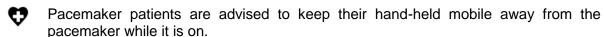
5 Regulatory compliance information

This Cinterion® Concept Board is intended is intended for use only in a laboratory test environment. All persons handling the Cinterion® Concept Board must be properly trained in electronics and observe good engineering practice standards.

6 Safety precaution notes

The common safety precautions that apply to mobile phones must also be observed at all times when using this Concept Board. Failure to comply with these precautions violates safety standards. Gemalto M2M assumes no liability for customer's failure to comply with these precautions.

The following is a non-extensive list of the mobile phone and Concept Board usage restrictions:



Mobile phones must be switched off before boarding an aircraft.

Mobile phones may not be operated in the presence of flammable gases or fumes

Interference can occur if mobile phones are used close to TV sets, radios, computers or inadequately shielded equipment

Do not use your mobile while driving a vehicle

You should never rely solely upon any wireless device for essential communications, for example for emergency calls

The power supply connected to the Concept Board shall be in compliance with the SELV requirements defined in EN 60950-1.

7 CCU I²C protocol description

The CCU implements an I²C compatible interface that allows changing the terminal configuration during runtime. The I²C signals are accessible via the module, and also via the extension header (SCL/SDA).

The I²C interface implements the write and the read protocol. The 7-bit device address is 0x69 (binary: 1101001).

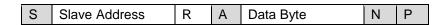
7.1 WRITE command

| S | Slave Address | W | Α | Register Address | Α | Data Byte | Α | Р |
|---|---------------|---|---|------------------|---|-----------|---|---|
|---|---------------|---|---|------------------|---|-----------|---|---|

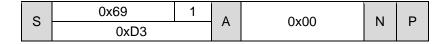
Example (Set GPIO8 direction to "output"):

| 0 | 0x69 | 0 | _ | 0v12 | ۸ | 0v01 | ۸ | D |
|---|------|---|---|-------|---|------|---|---|
| 3 | 0xD2 | | A | UX 12 | A | 0x01 | A | F |

7.2 READ command



Example (Read last status = OK):



(Key: S: Start Condition, W: Write-bit=0, R: Read-bit=1, A: Acknowledge, N: Not Acknowledge, P: Stop Condition).

7.3 I²C Protocol detailed description

In **write-mode**, one address-byte and one data byte is sent to the device. The address-byte specifies a register in which to write the data-byte. The value is only written if it is valid, i.e. in the specified range. After a write attempt, the status code of the operation is saved and the read-address-register (RAR) is automatically set to the status-register address (SR). A subsequent read command will then result the latest status code (see status codes table). Only when the address-byte is the RAR, i.e. another register is selected to be read, the RAR is not automatically set to the SR register.

In **read-mode**, one data bye can be read from the device. Attempts to read more bytes will result in undefined values to be returned by the device. The device will always return the value that is addressed by the RAR register. To read a specific register, a Write-command with RAR as the address-byte and the register-to-be-read as the data-byte has to be issued first. The next read will return the value at this address. Note that there are only a few registers that can be read (see register table). When the RAR is written with a non-read address, the RAR is set to the SR, and the status code ILLEGAL_ARGUMENT is saved. Note that the next read will not be valid, as the return value will be ILLEGAL_ARGUMENT, but the caller cannot determine if the result is the value at the faulty address or an error status code.

7.4 Register Table

| Address | Read/ Write | Description | Name | Non- Volatile | Default | Value Range |
|---------|----------------|--|---------|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 0x00 | R | Status | SR | - | OK | See result codes table |
| 0.40 | 10/ | OBIOS | | | | |
| 0x10 | W | GPIO5 | | | F - | |
| 0x11 | W | GPIO6 | | | F | |
| 0x12 | W | GPIO8 | | | F | 0: Input 1: Output |
| 0x13 | W | GPIO7 | GPIOxR | No | F | 0xFF: Release for |
| 0x14 | W | GPIO20 | | | F | manual |
| 0x15 | W | GPIO21 | | | F | configuration |
| 0x16 | W | GPIO22 | | | F | |
| 0x17 | W | GPIO23 | | | F | |
| 0x30 | R | Read GPIO manual switch configuration. [23 22 21 20 7 8 6 5]. Switches the processor pin to input | GPIORR | · | 0xFF | [0 0xFF] |
| 0x51 | R/W | ADC-Channel select. Read command reads the manual switch configuration by changing the direction to input, reading it, and changing back to the defined setting. | ADCCHR | No | 0xFF | 03 0xFF: Release for manual configuration |
| 0x52 | R/W | ASCO/ASC1/SPI config. Read command reads the manual switch configuration by changing the direction to input, reading it, and changing back to the defined setting. | ASCSPIR | No | 0xFF | 0: ASC0→VCP, ASC1→RXTX 1: ASC0→VCP, ASC1→SPI 2: ASC0→RXTX, ASC1→SPI 0xFF: Release for manual configuration |
| 0xB0 | W | Set I2CBL bootloader I2C-Address. (default is the same as device I2C-Address) | BLADDR | Yes | Device I2C- Address | 1127 |
| 0xBB | W | Enter I2CBL bootloader. Password is the device I2C- Address, XOR-ed with this register address. | BLCMD | No | 0x00 | BLCMD xor I2CADDR (password) (=0xBB ^ 0x69 = D2) |
| 0xFD | R | Firmware Version | VER | - | | [0 0xFF] [MAJ MIN] 4:MSB: MAJ 4:LSB: MIN MAJ: Major version number |

| | | | | | | MIN: Minor version number |
|------|-----|--------------------------------|-------|-----|------|--|
| 0xFE | W | Blink n-times | BLINK | Yes | - | [1 255] Number of times to blink |
| 0xFF | R/W | Read Address Register (RAR) | RAR | No | 0x00 | [0 0xFF] Only valid addresses contain valid values |

Example of AT input via the module

AT^SSPI= // Open EHS6 I2C-data connection. Expect CONNECT
<aD21401> // Write "1" in register "GPIO20R" (set GPIO20 to output). Expect {a+}
<bD30001> // Read 1 byte: expect {b+00}, means last command was successful
<cD2FF30> // Set next read address to GPIORR (GPIO direction low byte). Expect {c+}
<dD30001> // Read 1 byte: expect something like {d+1F} (bit 4 is set)
 // Close data connection. Expect OK

Result codes

| Result | Code | |
|------------------|------|---|
| OK | 0x00 | Last command was executed successfully |
| PROTOCOLL_ERROR | 0x01 | Protocol Error, i.e. wrong number of bytes |
| ILLEGAL_ADDRESS | 0x02 | Illegal register address |
| ILLEGAL_ARGUMENT | 0x03 | Illegal argument. Argument is out of allowed range. |
| UNDEFINED | 0xFF | |

8 New and improved features

8.1 HW Revision 5.1

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Table 10: New features HW Rel 5.1

| Item | Description |
|---|--|
| automated switching and configuration | An automated GPIO switching and configuration via I ² C bus was introduced in HW Rel. 5.1. |
| | The Concept Board firmware can be updated to get same I ² C functionality as Revision 5.1. The update procedure can be found in the Gemalto Developer Zone. |

9 Known issues

9.1 HW Revision 4.0

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Table 11: known issues HW Release 4

| Item | Description | Workaround / Solution |
|-------------------|---|--|
| High GPIO current | Increased current up to 80mA / line will be drawn by the GPIO Level shifter / EHS6 when GPIO is configured to wrong direction | Always be sure that the GPIOs are configured in the right direction. |
| | | This issue is solved in HW |
| | e.g. GPIO from EHS6 = Out-H ⇔ GPIO from Shield Interface = In.L | Release 5.1. |
| | In that case EHS6 will draw increased current into the level shifter. | |
| | Level shifters and / or EHS6 might be damaged if that wrong setting persists over a long period of time. | |

9.2 HW Revision 5.1

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Table 12: known issues HW Rel 5.1

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| Item | Description | Solution |
|--|--|--|
| Wrong ASC0 state while battery operation | When powering the Concept Board through the battery terminals, the ASC0 TxD and RTS state may change to active. This is caused by the FTDI | Set switch 3 down to configure ASC0 to be connected to the Shield Interface. |

| | FT232R chipset powering down when the operating voltage is missing. This active state may interfere with EHS6 | |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| | operation. This does not happen when using battery shields. | |
| Concept Board fails to switch ON | When the OFF button was pressed shorter than 1s the CB may fail to switch on the next cycle. | Press the OFF button at least 1s to switch off the CB. |
| | | If the CB already gets in the failed state, press the OFF button >5s to recover normal operation. |

10 Related Documents

- [1] EHS6 Hardware Interface Description, v02.000a
- [2] EHS6 AT Command Set, v02.000a
- [3] Getting Started with EHS6, v01
- [4] EHSx Java User's Guide, v05
- [5] Concept Board Start-up Guide, v01

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