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# 1 Introduction

This document defines the SC20 module and describes its air interface and hardware interface which are connected with your application.

This document can help you quickly understand module interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details as well as other related information of SC20 module. Associated with application notes and user guide, you can use SC20 module to design and set up mobile applications easily.

## 1.1. Safety Information

The following safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, such as usage, service or repair of any cellular terminal or mobile incorporating SC20 module. Manufacturers of the cellular terminal should send the following safety information to users and operating personnel and to incorporate these guidelines into all manuals supplied with the product. If not so, Quectel assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these precautions.



Full attention must be given to driving at all times in order to reduce the risk of an accident. Using a mobile while driving (even with a handsfree kit) causes distraction and can lead to an accident. You must comply with laws and regulations restricting the use of wireless devices while driving.



Switch off the cellular terminal or mobile before boarding an aircraft. Make sure it is switched off. The operation of wireless appliances in an aircraft is forbidden, so as to prevent interference with communication systems. Consult the airline staff about the use of wireless devices on boarding the aircraft, if your device offers an Airplane Mode which must be enabled prior to boarding an aircraft.



Switch off your wireless device when in hospitals or clinics or other health care facilities. These requests are designed to prevent possible interference with sensitive medical equipment.



Cellular terminals or mobiles operating over radio frequency signal and cellular network cannot be guaranteed to connect in all conditions, for example no mobile fee or with an invalid SIM card. While you are in this condition and need emergent help, please remember using emergency call. In order to make or receive a call, the cellular terminal or mobile must be switched on and in a service area with adequate cellular signal strength.



Your cellular terminal or mobile contains a transmitter and receiver. When it is ON , it receives and transmits radio frequency energy. RF interference can occur if it is used close to TV set, radio, computer or other electric equipment.



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

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## 2 Product Concept

### 2.1. General Description

SC20 is a series of 4G smart modules based on Qualcomm platform and Android operating system, and provides industrial grade performance. It supports worldwide LTE-FDD/LTE-TDD/WCDMA/TD-SCDMA/EVDO/CDMA/GSM coverage, and also supports short-range wireless communication via Wi-Fi 802.11b/g/n and BT4.1 LE. Additionally, SC20 integrates GPS/GLONASS/BeiDou satellite positioning systems. Due to multiple speech and audio codecs as well as the built-in high performance Adreno™ 304 graphics processing unit, it enables smooth play of 720P videos. The module also offers multiple audio and video input/output interfaces as well as abundant GPIO interfaces.

The following table shows the supported network types and frequency bands of SC20.

**Table 1: SC20 Frequency Bands**

Type	Frequency
LTE-FDD	B1/B3/B8
LTE-TDD	B38/B39/B40/B41
WCDMA	B1/B8
TD-SCDMA	B34/B39
EVDO/CDMA	BC0
GSM	900/1800MHz
Wi-Fi 802.11b/g/n	2402-2482MHz
BT4.1 LE	2402-2480MHz
GNSS	GPS/GLONASS/BeiDou

SC20 is an SMD type module, which can be embedded into applications through its 210-pin pads including 146 LCC signal pads and 64 other pads. With a compact profile of 40.5mm × 40.5mm × 2.8mm, SC20 can meet almost all requirements for M2M applications such as automotive, metering, tracking, security, routers, wireless POS, mobile computing devices, PDA phone, tablet PC, etc.

## 2.2. Key Features

The following table describes the detailed features of SC20 module.

**Table 2: SC20 Key Features**

Feature	Details
Applications Processor	ARM Cortex-A7 microprocessor cores (quad-core) up to 1.1 GHz 512KB L2 cache
Multimedia Processor	QDSP6 v5 core up to 691.2 MHz 768KB L2 cache
Memory	8GB EMMC+8Gb LPDDR3
Operating System	Android OS 5.1
Power Supply	Supply voltage: 3.5V~4.2V Typical supply voltage: 3.8V
Transmitting Power	Class 4 (33dBm±2dB) for EGSM900 Class 1 (30dBm±2dB) for DCS1800 Class E2 (27dBm±3dB) for EGSM900 8-PSK Class E2 (26dBm±3dB) for DCS1800 8-PSK Class 3 (24dBm+1/-3dB) for WCDMA bands Class 3 (24dBm+3/-1dB) for CDMA BC0 Class 2 (24dBm+1/-3dB) for TD-SCDMA bands Class 3 (23dBm±2dB) for LTE FDD bands Class 3 (23dBm±2dB) for LTE TDD bands
LTE Features	Support 3GPP R9 CAT4 FDD and TDD Support 1.4 to 20 MHz RF bandwidth Support DL 2 x 2 MIMO Max 150Mbps (DL), 50Mbps (UL)
WCDMA Features	Support 3GPP R9 DC-HSPA+ Support 16-QAM, 64-QAM and QPSK modulation 3GPP R6 HSUPA: Max 11Mbps (UL) 3GPP R9 DC-HSPA+: Max 42Mbps (DL)
TD-SCDMA Features	Support 3GPP R8 1.28 TDD Max 4.2Mbps (DL), 2.2Mbps (UL)
CDMA Features	Max 3.1Mbps (DL), 1.8Mbps (UL)
GSM/GPRS/EDGE Data Features	<b>GPRS</b> Support GPRS multi-slot class 33 Coding scheme: CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 and CS-4 Maximum of four Rx time slots per frame

	<b>EDGE</b> Support EDGE multi-slot class 33 Support GMSK and 8-PSK
WLAN Features	2.4G single frequency band, support 802.11b/g/n, up to 150Mbps Support AP mode
Bluetooth Feature	BT4.1 LE
GNSS Features	GPS/GLONASS/BeiDou
SMS	Text and PDU mode Point to point MO and MT SMS cell broadcast SMS storage: ME by default
AT Commands	Compliant with 3GPP TS 27.007, 27.005 and Quectel enhanced AT commands
LCM Interface	4 lanes MIPI_DSI, up to 1.5Gbps each Support WVGA (2 lanes MIPI_DSI), up to 720p (4 lanes MIPI_DSI) 24bit color depth
Camera Interface	Use MIPI_CSI, up to 1.5Gbps per lane, support two cameras 2-lane MIPI_CSI for rear camera, up to 8MP 1-lane MIPI_CSI for front camera, up to 2MP
Audio Interface	<b>Audio input</b> 2 groups analog microphone input, integrate internal bias voltage <b>Audio output</b> Class AB stereo headphone output Class AB earpiece differential output Class D speaker differential amplifier output
USB Interface	Compliant with USB 2.0 specification; the data transfer rate can reach up to 480Mbps Used for AT command communication, data transmission, software debugging and firmware upgrade Support USB OTG (Need additional 5V power supply chip) USB Driver: Support Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows CE5.0/6.0*, Linux 2.6/3.0, Android 2.3/4.0/4.2
USIM Interface	2 groups of USIM interface Support USIM/SIM card: 1.8V, 3.0V
UART Interface	2 groups of UART interface 4-wire UART interface with RTS and CTS hardware flow control 2-wire UART interface for software debugging Baud rate up to 4Mbps
SDIO Interface	Support SD3.0; 4bit SDIO; SD Card Support hot plug
I2C Interface	3 groups I2C, with data rate up to 3.4Mbps (High speed); used for TP, camera, sensor peripherals, etc.

ADC Interface	Support 3 ADC interfaces; used for input voltage sense, battery temperature detection and general purpose ADC
Real Time Clock	Implemented
Antenna Interface	MAIN antenna, DRX antenna, GNSS antenna and Wi-Fi/BT antenna
Physical Characteristics	Size: 40.5±0.15 × 40.5±0.15 × 2.8±0.2 mm Interface: LCC Weight: approx. 9.6g
Temperature Range	Operating temperature range: -35°C~+75°C <sup>1)</sup> Extended temperature range : -40°C~+85°C <sup>2)</sup>
Firmware Upgrade	Over USB interface
RoHS	All hardware components are fully compliant with EU RoHS directive

#### NOTES

- <sup>1)</sup> Within operation temperature range, the module is 3GPP compliant.
- <sup>2)</sup> Within extended temperature range, the module remains the ability to establish and maintain a voice, SMS, data transmission, emergency call, etc. There is no unrecoverable malfunction. There are also no effects on radio spectrum and no harm to radio network. Only one or more parameters like Pout might reduce in their value and exceed the specified tolerances. When the temperature returns to the normal operating temperature levels, the module will meet 3GPP compliant again.
- \* means this feature is under development.

## 2.3. Functional Diagram

The following figure shows a block diagram of SC20 and illustrates the major functional parts.

- Power management
- Radio frequency
- Baseband
- LPDDR3+EMMC flash
- Peripheral interface
  - USB interface
  - USIM interface
  - UART interface
  - SDIO interface
  - I2C interface
  - ADC interface



- LCD (MIPI) interface
- TP interface
- CAM (MIPI) interface
- AUDIO interface

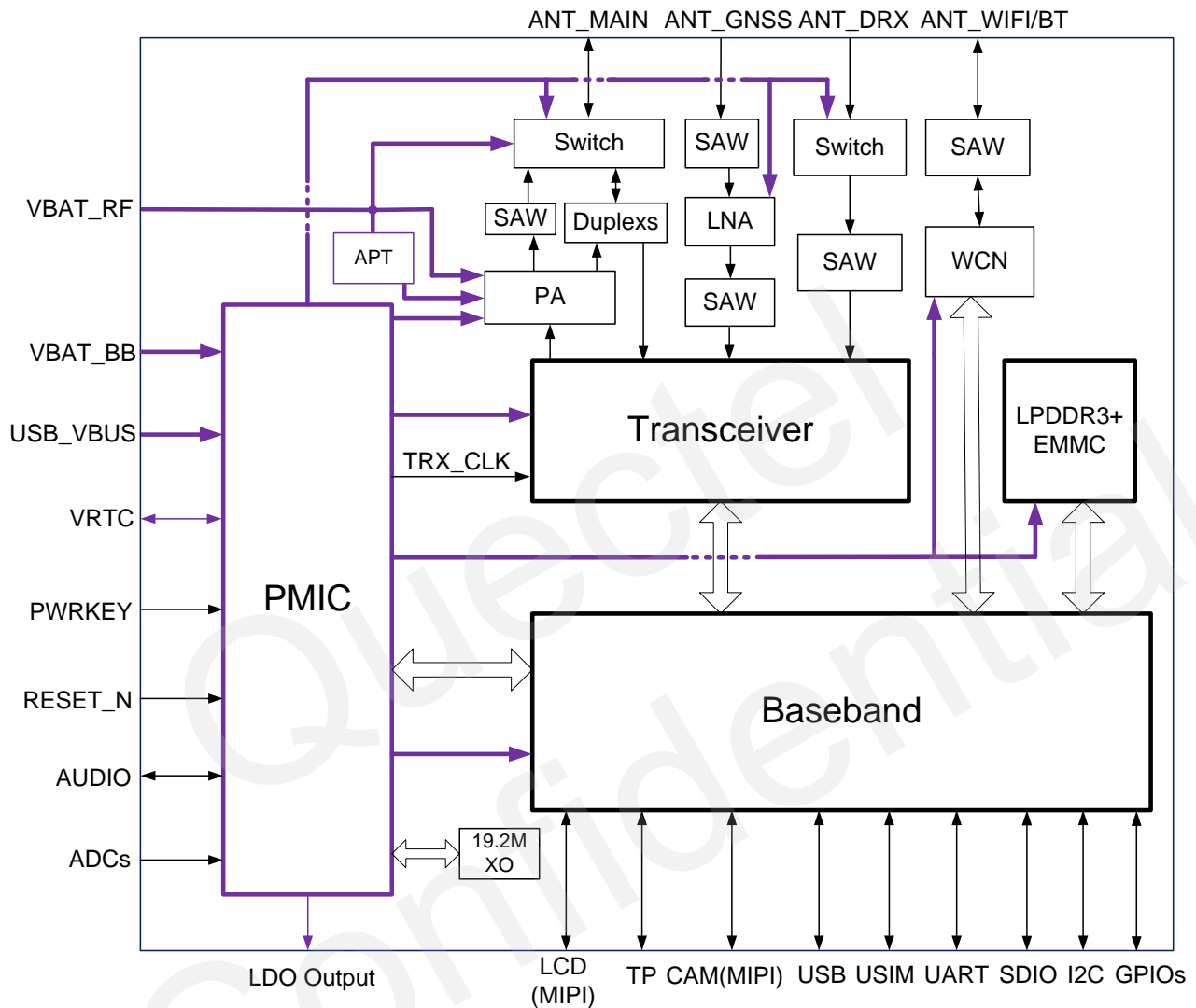


Figure 1: Functional Diagram

## 2.4. Evaluation Board

In order to help you to develop applications with SC20, Quectel supplies an evaluation board (SMART-EVB), RS-232 to USB cable, USB data cable, power adapter, earphone, antenna and other peripherals to control or test the module. For details, please refer to **document [2]**.

# 3 Application Interfaces

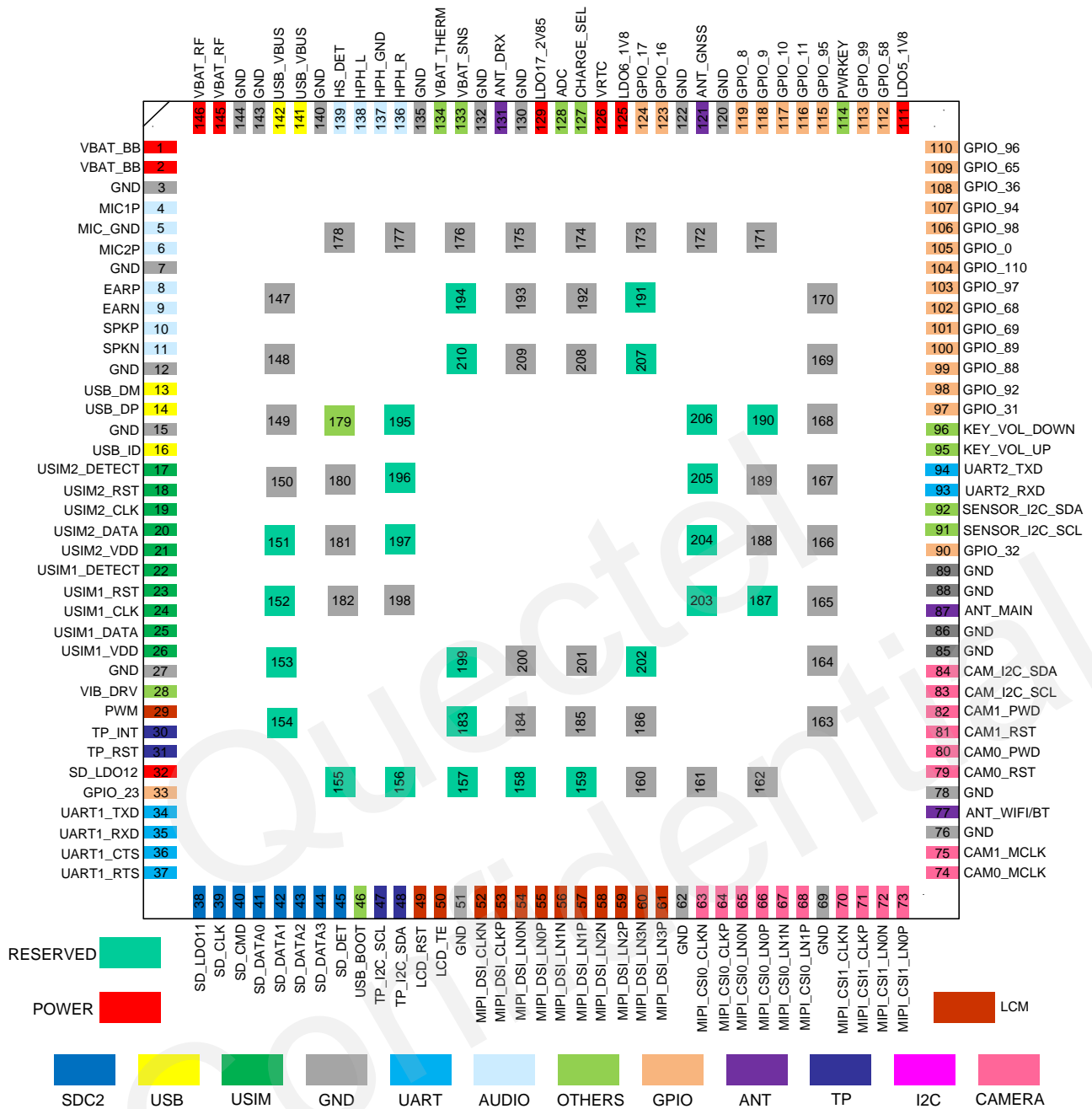
## 3.1. General Description

SC20 is equipped with 146-pin 1.0mm pitch SMT pads plus 64-pin ground pads and reserved pads that can be embedded into cellular application platform. The following chapters provide the detailed description of pins/interfaces listed below.

- Power supply
- VRTC interface
- LCM interface
- TP interface
- Camera interface
- Audio interface
- USB interface
- USIM interface
- UART interface
- SDIO interface
- I2C interface
- ADC interface

## 3.2. Pin Assignment

The following figure shows the pin assignment of SC20 module.



**Figure 2: Pin Assignment (Top View)**

### 3.3. Pin Description

The following tables show the SC20's pin definition.

**Table 3: I/O Parameters Definition**

Type	Description
IO	Bidirectional input/output
DI	Digital input
DO	Digital output
PI	Power input
PO	Power output
AI	Analog input
AO	Analog output
OD	Open drain

**Table 4: Pin Description**

Power Supply						
Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment	
VBAT_BB	1,2	PI	Power supply for module baseband part.	V <sub>max</sub> =4.2V V <sub>min</sub> =3.5V V <sub>norm</sub> =3.8V	It must be able to provide sufficient current up to 3.0A.	
VBAT_RF	145,146	PI	Power supply for module RF part.	V <sub>max</sub> =4.2V V <sub>min</sub> =3.5V V <sub>norm</sub> =3.8V	It is suggested to use a zener diode for surge protection.	
VRTC	126	PI/PO	Power supply for internal RTC circuit.	V <sub>Omax</sub> =3.2V V <sub>I</sub> =2.0V~3.25V I <sub>IN max</sub> =200uA	If unused, keep this pin open.	
LDO5_1V8	111	PO	Output 1.8V	V <sub>norm</sub> =1.8V I <sub>Omax</sub> =20mA	Power supply for external GPIO's pull up circuits and level conversion circuit.	
LDO6_1V8	125	PO	Output 1.8V	V <sub>norm</sub> =1.8V I <sub>Omax</sub> =100mA	Power supply for peripherals. 2.2uF~4.7uF capacitor is recommended to be applied to the LDO6_1V8 pin. If unused, keep this pin open.	

LDO17_2V85	129	PO	Output 2.85V	Vnorm=2.85V I <sub>O</sub> max=300mA	Power supply for peripherals. 2.2uF~4.7uF capacitor is recommended to be applied to the LDO17_2V85 pin. If unused, keep this pin open.
SD_LDO11	38	PO	Power supply for SD card.	Vnorm=2.95V I <sub>O</sub> max=600mA	
SD_LDO12	32	PO	Output 1.8V/2.95V	Vnorm=2.95V I <sub>O</sub> max=50mA	Power supply for SD's pull up circuits.
GND	3, 7, 12, 15, 27, 51, 62, 69, 76, 78, 85, 86, 88, 89, 120, 122, 130, 132, 135, 140, 143, 144, 147-150, 160-178, 180-182, 184-186, 188, 189, 192, 193, 198, 200, 201, 208, 209		GND		

#### Audio Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
MIC1P	4	AI	Channel 1 microphone positive input		
MIC_GND	5		MIC reference GND		
MIC2P	6	AI	Channel 2 microphone positive input		

EARP	8	AO	Earpiece positive output	
EARN	9	AO	Earpiece negative output	
SPKP	10	AO	Speaker positive output	
SPKN	11	AO	Speaker negative output	
HPH_R	136	AO	Headphone right channel output	
HPH_GND	137		Headphone virtual GND	
HPH_L	138	AO	Headphone left channel output	
HS_DET	139	AI	Headset insertion detection	High level by default.

#### USB Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC CHARACTERISTICS	Comment
USB_VBUS	141,142	PI	USB power supply	V <sub>max</sub> =6.3V V <sub>min</sub> =4.35V V <sub>norm</sub> =5.0V	Used for USB 5V power input and USB detection.
USB_DM	13	IO	USB differential data bus (minus)	Compliant with USB 2.0 standard specification.	Require differential impedance of 90Ω.
USB_DP	14	IO	USB differential data bus (positive)		
USB_ID	16	AI	USB ID detection.		High level by default.

#### USIM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
USIM2_DETECT	17	DI	USIM2 card input detection.	V <sub>IL</sub> max=0.63V V <sub>IH</sub> min=1.17V	Active Low. External pull-up resistor is required. If unused, keep this pin open.
USIM2_RST	18	DO	Reset signal of USIM2 card	V <sub>OL</sub> max=0.4V V <sub>OH</sub> min=0.8×USIM2_VDD	
USIM2_CLK	19	DO	Clock signal of USIM2 card	V <sub>OL</sub> max=0.4V V <sub>OH</sub> min=0.8×USIM2_VDD	

USIM2_DATA	20	IO	Data signal of USIM2 card	$V_{ILmax}=0.2 \times USIM2\_VDD$ $V_{IHmin}=0.7 \times USIM2\_VDD$ $V_{OLmax}=0.4V$ $V_{OHmin}=0.8 \times USIM2\_VDD$	
USIM2_VDD	21	PO	Power supply for USIM2 card.	For 1.8V USIM: $V_{max}=1.85V$ $V_{min}=1.75V$  For 2.95V USIM: $V_{max}=2.95V$ $V_{min}=2.8V$	Either 1.8V or 2.95V USIM card is supported by the module automatically.
USIM1_DETECT	22	DI	USIM1 card input detection.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	Active low. External pull-up resistor is required. If unused, keep this pin open.
USIM1_RST	23	DO	Reset signal of USIM1 card.	$V_{OLmax}=0.4V$ $V_{OHmin}=0.8 \times USIM1\_VDD$	
USIM1_CLK	24	DO	Clock signal of USIM1 card.	$V_{OLmax}=0.4V$ $V_{OHmin}=0.8 \times USIM1\_VDD$	
USIM1_DATA	25	IO	Data signal of USIM1 card.	$V_{ILmax}=0.2 \times USIM1\_VDD$ $V_{IHmin}=0.7 \times USIM1\_VDD$ $V_{OLmax}=0.4V$ $V_{OHmin}=0.8 \times USIM1\_VDD$	
USIM1_VDD	26	PO	Power supply for USIM1 card.	For 1.8V USIM: $V_{max}=1.85V$ $V_{min}=1.75V$  For 2.95V USIM: $V_{max}=2.95V$ $V_{min}=2.8V$	Either 1.8V or 2.95V USIM card is supported by the module automatically

#### UART Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
UART1_TXD	34	DO	UART1 transmit data.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.
UART1_RXD	35	DI	UART1 receive data.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.

UART1_CTS	36	DI	UART1 clear to send.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.
UART1_RTS	37	DO	UART1 request to send.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.
UART2_RXD	93	DI	UART2 receive data.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.
UART2_TXD	94	DO	UART2 transmit data.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$	1.8V power domain. If unused, keep this pin open.

#### SDIO/SD Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
SD_CLK	39	DO	SD Card Clock	For 1.8V SD card: $V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.4V$  For 2.95V SD card: $V_{OLmax}=0.37V$ $V_{OHmin}=2.2V$	
SD_CMD	40	IO	SD Card CMD	For 1.8V SD card: $V_{ILmax}=0.58V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.27V$ $V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.4V$  For 2.95V SD card: $V_{ILmax}=0.73V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.84V$ $V_{OLmax}=0.37V$ $V_{OHmin}=2.2V$	
SD_DATA0	41	IO	SD Card Data 0	For 1.8V SD card: $V_{ILmax}=0.58V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.27V$	



SD_DATA1	42	IO	SD Card Data 1	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.4V$	
SD_DATA2	43	IO	SD Card Data 2	For 2.95V SD card: $V_{ILmax}=0.73V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.84V$ $V_{OLmax}=0.37V$	
SD_DATA3	44	IO	SD Card Data 3	$V_{OHmin}=2.2V$	
SD_DET	45	DI	SD card input detection.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	Active low

#### Touch Panel (TP) Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
TP_INT	30	DI	Interrupt signal of TP.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	1.8V power domain.
TP_RST	31	DO	Reset signal of TP.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$	1.8V power domain. Active low.
TP_I2C_SCL	47	OD	I2C clock signal of TP.		1.8V power domain.
TP_I2C_SDA	48	OD	I2C data signal of TP.		1.8V power domain.

#### LCM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
PWM	29	DO	Adjust the backlight brightness. PWM control signal.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmax}=VBAT\_BB$	
LCD_RST	49	DO	LCM reset signal	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$	1.8V power domain. Active low.
LCD_TE	50	DI	LCM tearing effect signal.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	1.8V power domain.
MIPI_DSI_CLKN	52	AO	Clock signal of MIPI LCM		
MIPI_DSI_CLKP	53	AO			
MIPI_DSI_LN0N	54	AO	Data signal of MIPI		

MIPI_DSI_LN0P	55	AO	LCM
MIPI_DSI_LN1N	56	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN1P	57	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN2N	58	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN2P	59	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN3N	60	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN3P	61	AO	

#### Camera Interface

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
MIPI_CSI0_CLKN	63	AI	MIPI clock signal of rear camera.		
MIPI_CSI0_CLKP	64	AI			
MIPI_CSI0_LN0N	65	AI	MIPI data signal of rear camera.		
MIPI_CSI0_LN0P	66	AI			
MIPI_CSI0_LN1N	67	AI			
MIPI_CSI0_LN1P	68	AI			
MIPI_CSI1_CLKN	70	AI	MIPI clock signal of front camera.		

MIPI_CSI1_CLKP	71	AI		
MIPI_CSI1_LN0N	72	AI	MIPI data signal of front camera.	
MIPI_CSI1_LN0P	73	AI		
CAM0_MCLK	74	DO	Clock signal of rear camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM1_MCLK	75	DO	Clock signal of front camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM0_RST	79	DO	Reset signal of rear camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM0_PWD	80	DO	Power down signal of rear camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM1_RST	81	DO	Reset signal of front camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM1_PWD	82	DO	Power down signal of front camera.	$V_{OLmax}=0.45V$ $V_{OHmin}=1.35V$
CAM_I2C_SCL	83	OD	I2C clock signal of camera.	1.8V power domain.
CAM_I2C_SDA	84	OD	I2C data signal of camera.	1.8V power domain.

#### Key Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
PWRKEY	114	DI	Turn on/off the module.	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	Pull-up to 1.8V internally, active low.
KEY_VOL_UP	95	DI	Volume up	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	If unused, keep this pin open.
KEY_VOL_DOWN	96	DI	Volume down	$V_{ILmax}=0.63V$ $V_{IHmin}=1.17V$	If unused, keep this pin open.

#### SENSOR\_I2C Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
SENSOR_I2C_SCL	91	OD	I2C clock signal for external sensor.		1.8V power domain.
SENSOR_I2C_SDA	92	OD	I2C data signal for external sensor.		1.8V power domain.

#### ADC Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
ADC	128	AI	General purpose ADC.		Maximum voltage not exceed 1.7V
VBAT_SNS	133	AI	Input voltage sense.		Maximum input voltage is 4.5V.
VBAT_THERM	134	AI	Battery temperature detection.		

#### RF Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
ANT_MAIN	87	IO	Main antenna		
ANT_DRX	131	AI	Diversity antenna	50Ω impedance	
ANT_GNSS	121	AI	GNSS antenna		
ANT_WIFI/BT	77	IO	Wi-Fi/BT antenna		

#### GPIO Interface

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
GPIO_23	33	IO	GPIO		
GPIO_32	90	IO	GPIO		
GPIO_31	97	IO	GPIO		
GPIO_92	98	IO	GPIO		
GPIO_88	99	IO	GPIO		
GPIO_89	100	IO	GPIO		

GPIO_69	101	IO	GPIO
GPIO_68	102	IO	GPIO
GPIO_97	103	IO	GPIO
GPIO_110	104	IO	GPIO
GPIO_0	105	IO	GPIO
GPIO_98	106	IO	GPIO
GPIO_94	107	IO	GPIO
GPIO_36	108	IO	GPIO
GPIO_65	109	IO	GPIO
GPIO_96	110	IO	GPIO
GPIO_58	112	IO	GPIO
GPIO_99	113	IO	GPIO
GPIO_95	115	IO	GPIO
GPIO_11	116	IO	GPIO
GPIO_10	117	IO	GPIO
GPIO_9	118	IO	GPIO
GPIO_8	119	IO	GPIO
GPIO_16	123	IO	GPIO
GPIO_17	124	IO	GPIO

#### Other Interfaces

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	DC Characteristics	Comment
VIB_DRV	28	PO	Motor drive.		Connected to the negative terminal of the motor.
RESET_N	179	DI	Reset the module.		
USB_BOOT	46	DI	Force USB boot control.		Set USB_BOOT pin to high level will force the module to

enter into  
emergency  
download mode.

CHARGE_SEL	127	DI	Used for charging choice.	Open → internal charger is used; GND → external charger is used.
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#### Reserved Interface

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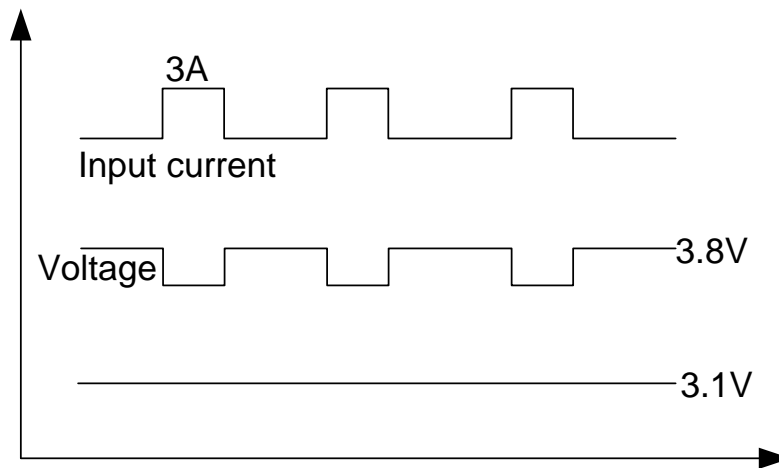
## 3.4. Power Supply

### 3.4.1. Power Supply Pins

SC20 provides four VBAT pins dedicated to connection with the external power supply. Two VBAT\_RF pins are used for module RF part; two VBAT\_BB pins are used for module baseband part. The power supply range of the module is 3.5V~ 4.2V, and the recommended value is 3.8 V.

### 3.4.2. Decrease Voltage Drop

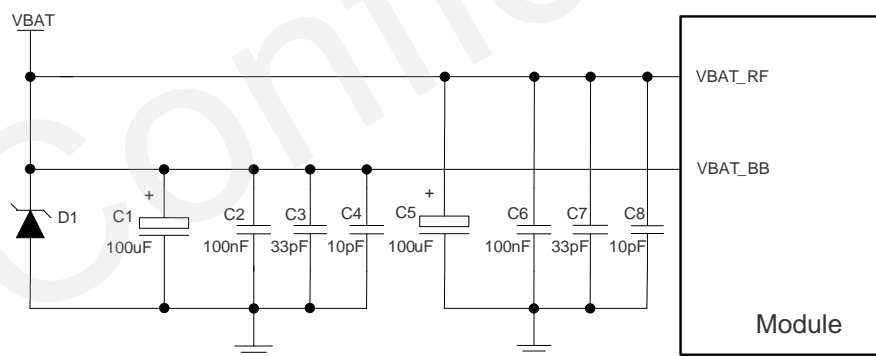
The power design for the module is very important. Make sure the input voltage will never drop below 3.1V, even if the peak current reaches 3A. If the voltage drops below 3.1V, the module will be turned off automatically.



**Figure 3: Voltage Drop Sample**

To decrease voltage drop, a bypass capacitor of about 100 $\mu$ F with low ESR should be used. Multi-layer ceramic chip (MLCC) capacitor is recommended to be used due to its ultra-low ESR. Three ceramic capacitors (100nF, 33pF, 10pF) are recommended to be applied to the VBAT 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 1mm, and the width of VBAT\_RF trace should be no less than 2mm. In principle, the longer the VBAT trace is, the wider it will be.

In addition, in order to get a stable power source, it is suggested to use a 0.5W zener diode and place it as close to the VBAT pins as possible. The following figure shows the star structure of the power supply.



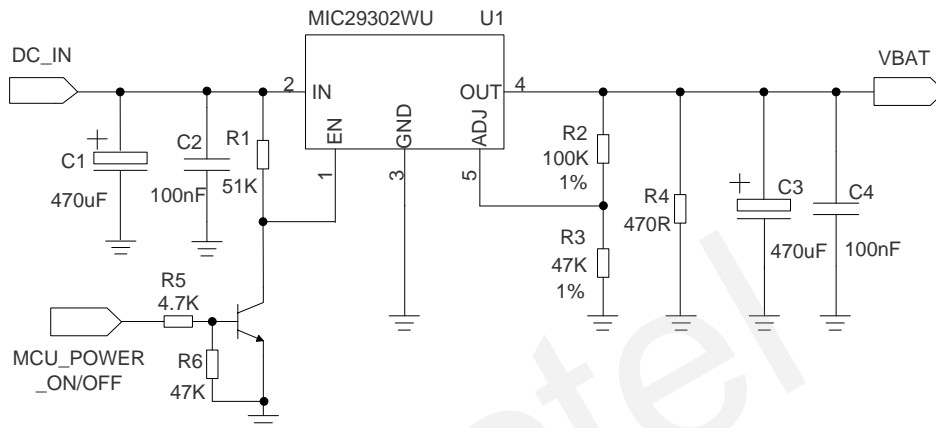
**Figure 4: Star Structure of the Power Supply**

### 3.4.3. Reference Design for Power Supply

The power design for the module is very important, and the power supply should be capable of providing sufficient current up to 3A at least. If the voltage drop between the input and output is not too high, it is

suggested to use a LDO to supply power for the module. If there is a big voltage difference between the input source and the desired output (VBAT), a buck converter is preferred to be used as the power supply.

The following figure shows a reference design for +5V input power source. The designed output for the power supply is about 3.8V and the maximum load current is 3A.



**Figure 5: Reference Circuit of Power Supply**

**NOTE**

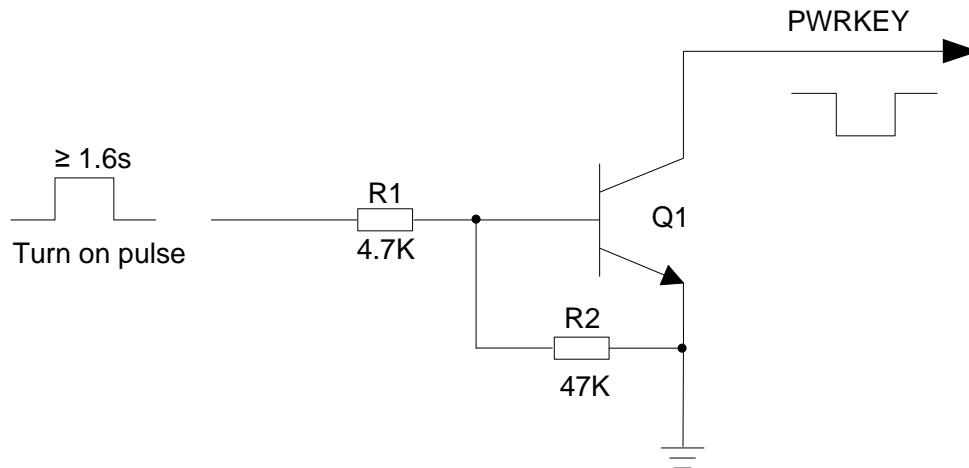
It is suggested that you should switch off the power supply for module in abnormal state, and then switch on the power to restart the module.

## 3.5. Turn on and off Scenarios

### 3.5.1. Turn on Module Using the PWRKEY

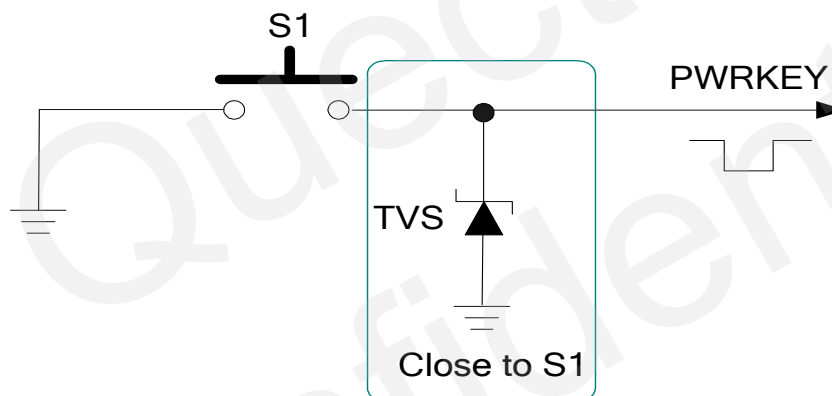
The module can be turned on by driving PWRKEY pin to a low level for at least 1.6s. PWRKEY pin is pulled to 1.8V internally. It is recommended to use an open drain/collector driver to control the PWRKEY. A simple reference circuit is illustrated in the following figure.





**Figure 6: Turn on the Module Using Driving Circuit**

The other way to control the PWRKEY is using a button directly. A TVS component is indispensable to be placed nearby the button for ESD protection. A reference circuit is shown in the following figure.



**Figure 7: Turn on the Module Using Keystroke**

The turn on scenario is illustrated in the following figure.

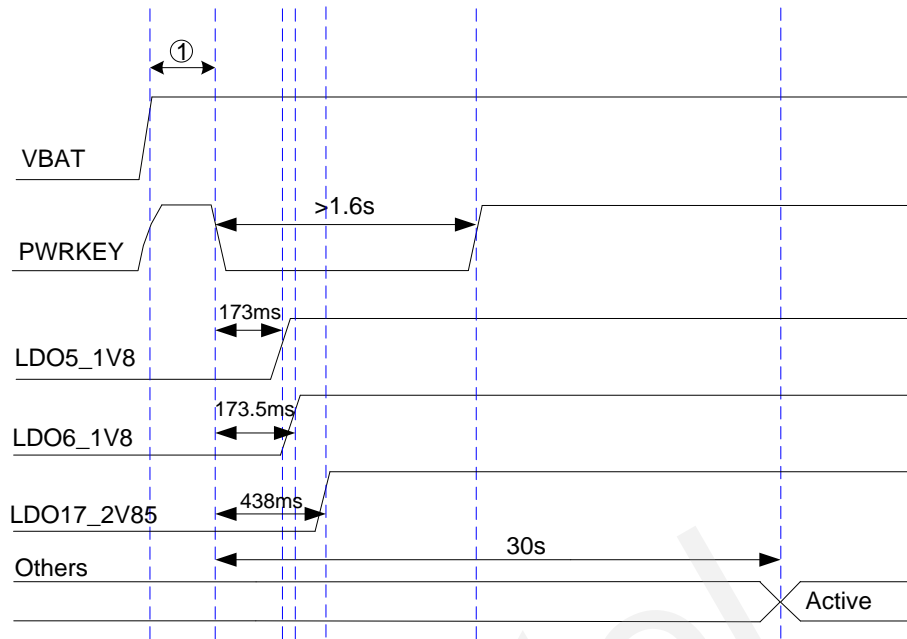


Figure 8: Timing of Turning on Module

**NOTE**

Make sure that VBAT is stable before pulling down PWRKEY pin. The recommended time between them is no less than 30ms. PWRKEY pin cannot be pulled down all the time.

### 3.5.2. Turn off Module

Set the PWRKEY pin low for at least 1s, and then choose to turn off the module when the prompt window comes up.

The other way to turn off the module is to drive PWRKEY to a low level for at least 8s. The module will execute forced shutdown. The forced power-down scenario is illustrated in the following figure.

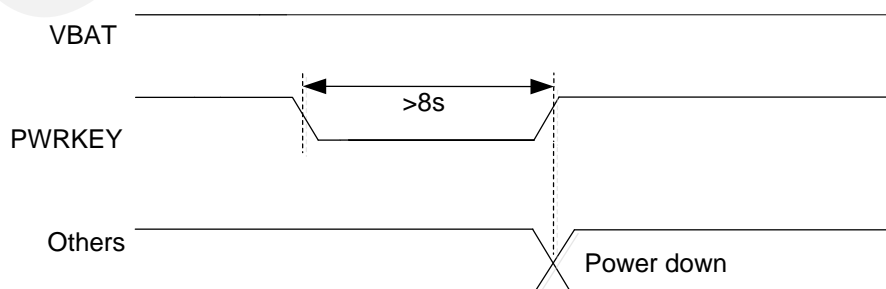


Figure 9: Timing of Turning off Module

### 3.6. VRTC Interface

The RTC (Real Time Clock) can be powered by an external power source through the pin VRTC when the module is powered down and there is no power supply for the VBAT. It is also available to charge the battery on the VRTC when module is turned on. You can choose rechargeable battery, capacitor or non-rechargeable battery depending on different applications. The following are some reference circuit designs when an external battery or capacitor is utilized for powering RTC.

If RTC is ineffective, it can be synchronized when the module starts data connection after power on.

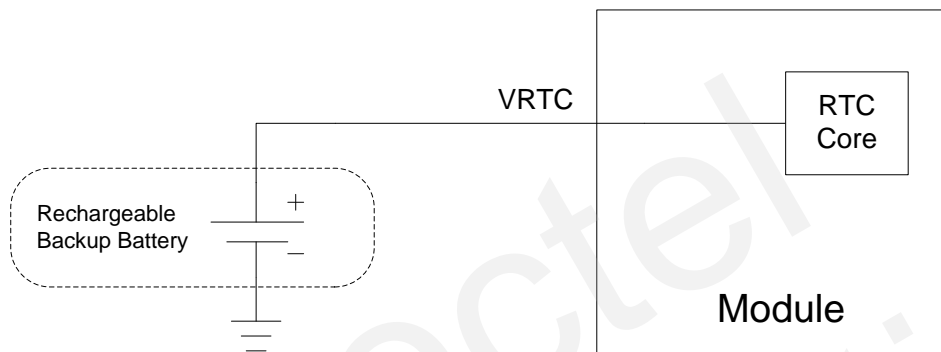


Figure 10: RTC Powered by Rechargeable Battery

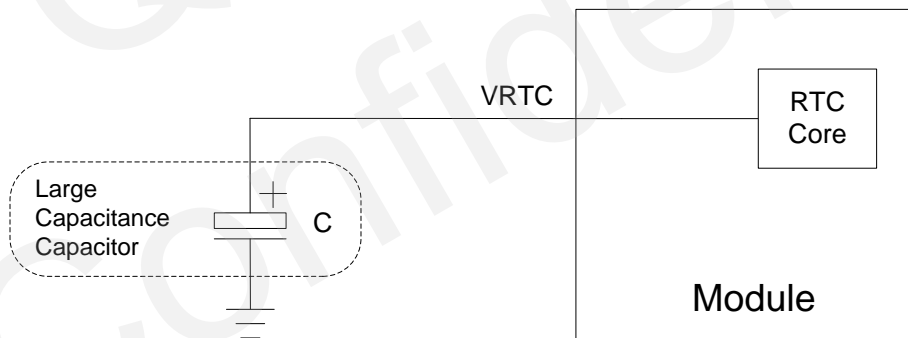


Figure 11: RTC Powered by Capacitor

- 2.0~3.25V input voltage range and 3.0V typical value for VRTC. When VBAT is disconnected, the average consumption is 5uA.
- When powered by VBAT, the RTC error is 50ppm. When powered by VRTC, the RTC error is 200ppm.
- If rechargeable battery is used, the ESR of the battery should be less than 2K, and it is recommended to use the MS621FE FL11E of SEIKO.
- If large capacitance capacitor is selected, it is recommended to use a 100uF capacitor with low ESR. The capacitor is able to power the real-time clock for 45 seconds.

### 3.7. Power Output

SC20 supports output of regulated voltages for peripheral circuits.

During application, it is recommended to use parallel capacitors (33pF and 10pF) in the circuit to suppress high frequency noise.

**Table 5: Power Description**

Pin Name	Voltage Range (V)	Default Voltage (V)	Driving Current (mA)	IDLE
LDO5_1V8	-	1.8	20	KEEP
LDO6_1V8	-	1.8	100	No output
LDO17_2V85	-	2.85	300	No output
SD_LDO12	-	2.95	50	
SD_LDO11	1.75~3.337	2.95	600	
USIM1_VDD	1.75~3.337	1.8/2.95	50	
USIM2_VDD	1.75~3.337	1.8/2.95	50	

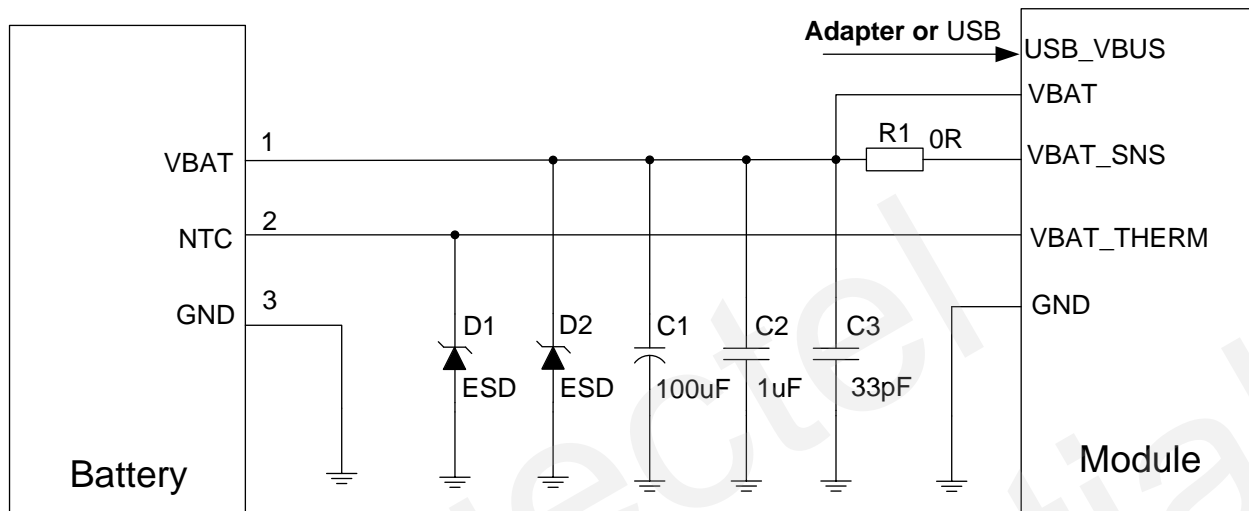
### 3.8. Battery Charge and Management

SC20 module can recharge over-discharged batteries. The battery charger in SC20 module supports trickle charging, constant current charging and constant voltage charging modes, which optimizes the charging procedure for Li-ion batteries.

- Trickle charging: There are two steps in this mode. When the battery voltage is below 2.8V, a 90mA trickle charging current is applied to the battery. When the battery voltage is charged up and is between 2.8V and 3.2V, the charging current can be set to 450mA maximally.
- Constant current mode (CC mode): When the battery is increased to between 3.2V and 4.2V, the system will switch to CC mode. The maximum charging current is 1.44A when adapter is used for battery charging; and the maximum charging current is 450mA while USB charging.
- Constant voltage mode (CV mode): When the battery voltage reaches the final value 4.2V, the system will switch to CV mode and the charging current will decrease gradually. When the charging current is reduced to about 100mA (maximum value; can be set according to application demands), the charging is completed.

SC20 module supports battery temperature detection in the condition that the battery integrates a thermistor (47K 1%, B4050 NTC thermistor by default; SDNT1608X473F4050FTF of **SUNLORD** is recommended) and the thermistor is connected to VBAT\_THERM pin. The default temperature range is from -3.0 to 48.5°C. If VBAT\_THERM pin is not connected, there will be malfunctions such as battery charging failure, battery level display error, etc.

A reference design for battery charging circuit is shown as below.



**Figure 12: Reference Design for Battery Charging Circuit**

Mobile devices such as mobile phones and handheld POS systems are powered by batteries. When different batteries are utilized, the charging and discharging curve has to be modified correspondingly so as to achieve the best effect.

If thermistor is not available in the battery, or adapter is utilized for powering module, then there is only need for VBAT and GND connection. In this case, the system may mistakenly judge that the battery temperature is abnormal, which will cause battery charging failure. In order to avoid this, VBAT\_THERM should be connected to GND via a 47KΩ resistor. If VBAT\_THERM is unconnected, the system will unable to detect the battery, making battery cannot be charged.

VBAT\_SNS pin must be connected. Otherwise, the module will have abnormalities in voltage detection, as well as associated power on/off and battery charging and discharging issues.

### 3.9. USB Interface

SC20 contains one integrated Universal Serial Bus (USB) transceiver which complies with the USB 2.0 specification and supports high speed (480 Mbps) and full speed (12 Mbps) modes. The USB interface is used for AT command communication, data transmission, software debugging and firmware upgrade.

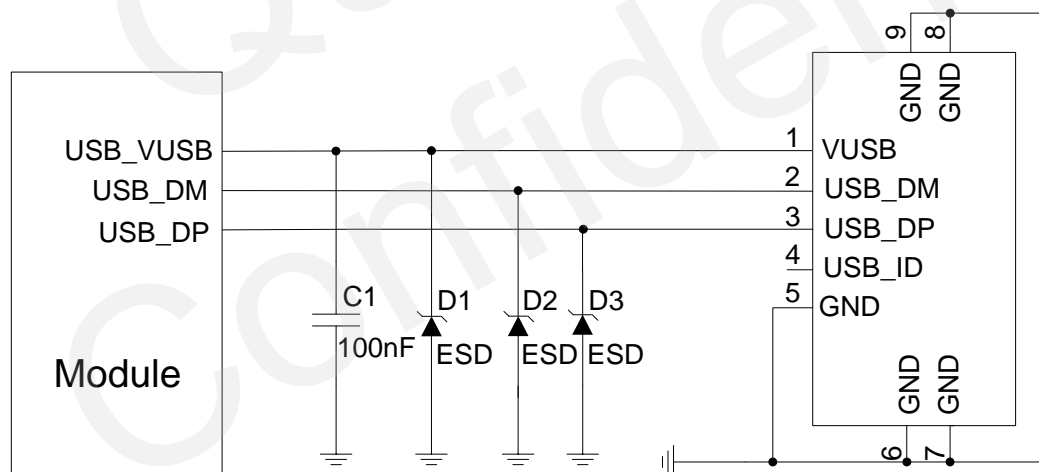
The following table shows the pin definition of USB interface.

**Table 6: USB Pin Description**

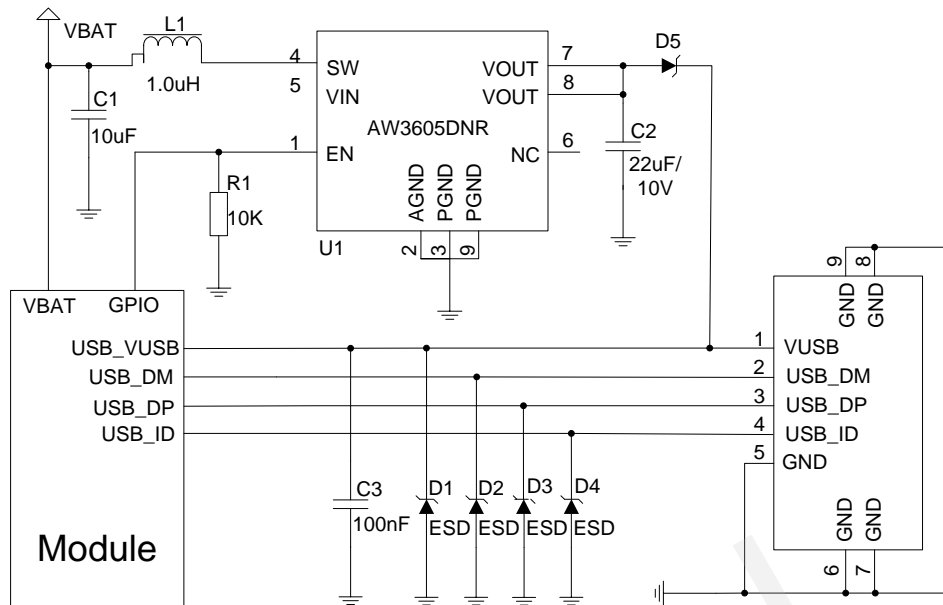
Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
USB_VBUS	141,142	PI	USB power supply	4.35~6.3V. Typical 5.0V.
USB_DM	13	IO	USB differential data bus (minus).	Require differential impedance of 90Ω.
USB_DP	14	IO	USB differential data bus (positive).	Require differential impedance of 90Ω.
USB_ID	16	AI	USB ID detection	Default high level

USB\_VBUS can be powered by USB power or adapter. It can also be used for detecting USB connection, as well as for battery charging via the internal PMU. The input voltage of power supply ranges from 4.35 to 6.3V, and the typical value is 5V. SC20 module supports charging management for a single Li-ion battery, but varied charging parameters should be set for batteries with varied models or capacities. The module is available a built-in linear-charging circuit which supports maximally 1.44A charging current.

The following are two USB interface reference designs for customers to choose from.



**Figure 13: USB Interface Reference Design (Does Not Support OTG)**



**Figure 14: USB Interface Reference Design (Support OTG)**

SC20 supports OTG protocol. If OTG function is needed, please refer to the above figure for the reference design. AW3605DNR is a high efficiency DC-DC chip manufactured by **AWINIC**, and users can choose according to their own demands.

In order to ensure USB performance, please comply with the following principles while designing USB interface.

- It is important to route the USB signal traces as differential pairs with total grounding. The impedance of USB differential trace is 90Ω.
- Pay attention to the influence of junction capacitance of ESD component on USB data lines. Typically, the capacitance value should be less than 2pF.
- Do not route signal traces under crystals, oscillators, magnetic devices and RF signal traces. It is important to route the USB differential traces in inner-layer with ground shielding on not only upper and lower layer but also right and left sides.
- Keep the ESD components as close as possible to the USB connector.
- Make sure the trace length difference between USB\_DM and USB\_DP is not exceeding 6.6mm.

**Table 7: USB Trace Length inside the Module**

PIN	Signal	Length (mm)	Length Difference (DP-DM)
13	USB_DM	29.43	-0.07
14	USB_DP	29.36	

### 3.10. UART Interface

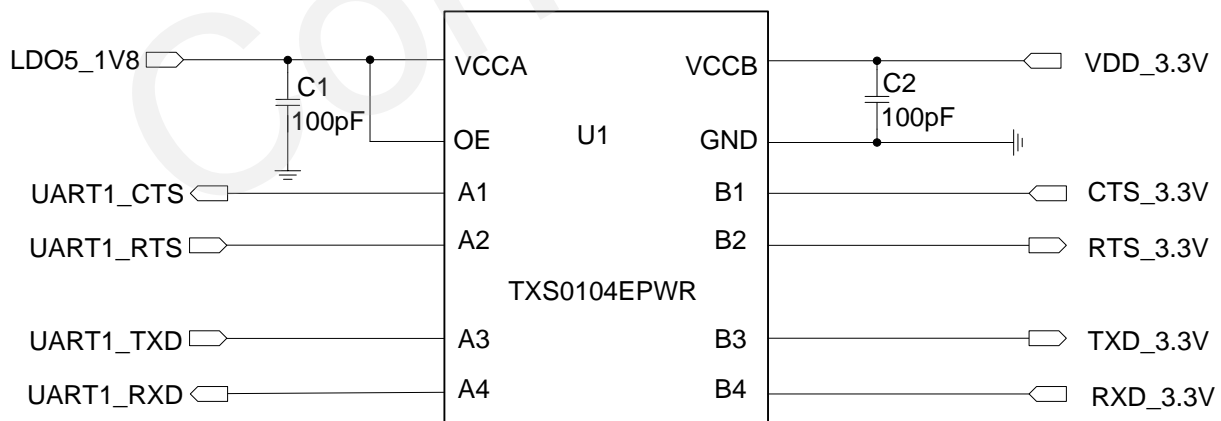
The module provides two UART interfaces: one 4-line UART interface (UART1) and one 2-line debug UART interface (UART2). UART1 supports hardware flow control.

The following table shows the pin definition.

**Table 8: Pin Description of the UART Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
UART1_TXD	34	DO	UART1 transmit data	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.
UART1_RXD	35	DI	UART1 receive data	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.
UART1_CTS	36	DI	UART1 clear to send	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.
UART1_RTS	37	DO	UART1 request to send	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.
UART2_RXD	93	DI	UART2 receive data	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.
UART2_TXD	94	DO	UART2 transmit data	1.8V power domain. If it is unused, keep it open.

UART1 provides 1.8V logic level. A level translator should be used if your application is equipped with a 3.3V UART interface. A level translator TXS0104PWR provided by **Texas Instrument** is recommended. The following figure shows the reference design.



**Figure 15: Reference Circuit with Level Translator Chip (for UART1)**



The following figure is an example of connection between SC20 and PC. A voltage level translator and a RS-232 level translator chip must be added between the module and PC, as these two UART interfaces do not support the RS-232 level, while support the 1.8V CMOS level only.

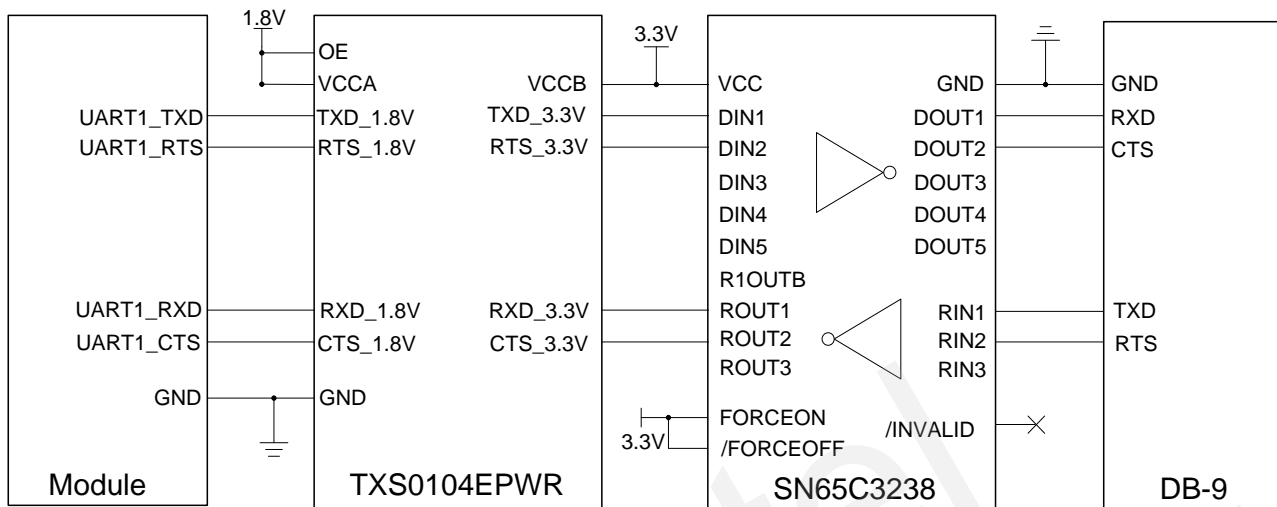


Figure 16: RS232 Level Match Circuit (for UART1)

**NOTE**

UART2 is similar to UART1. Please refer to UART1 reference circuit designs for UART2 circuit design.

### 3.11. USIM Interface

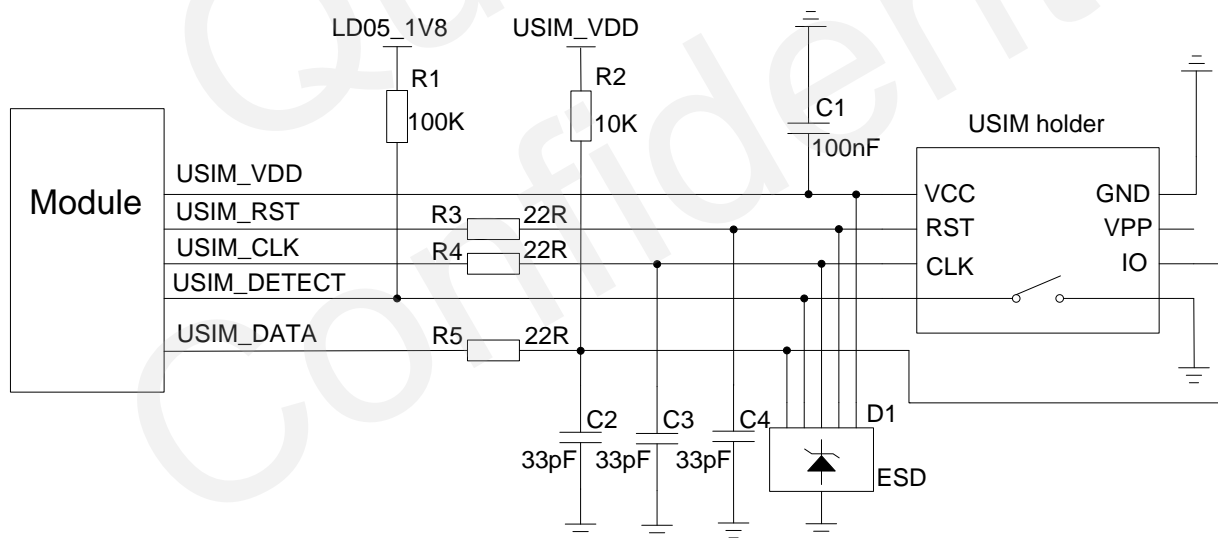
The USIM card interface circuitry meets ETSI and IMT-2000 SIM interface requirements. SC20 provides 2 USIM interfaces. Dual SIM Card Dual Standby is supported, but it is disabled by default. Both 1.8V and 2.95V USIM cards are supported, and the USIM card interface is powered by the internal power supply of SC20 module.

Table 9: Pin Definition of the USIM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
USIM2_DETECT	17	DI	USIM2 card input detection	Active Low. External pull-up resistor is required. If unused, keep this pin open.
USIM2_RST	18	DO	Reset signal of USIM2 card	

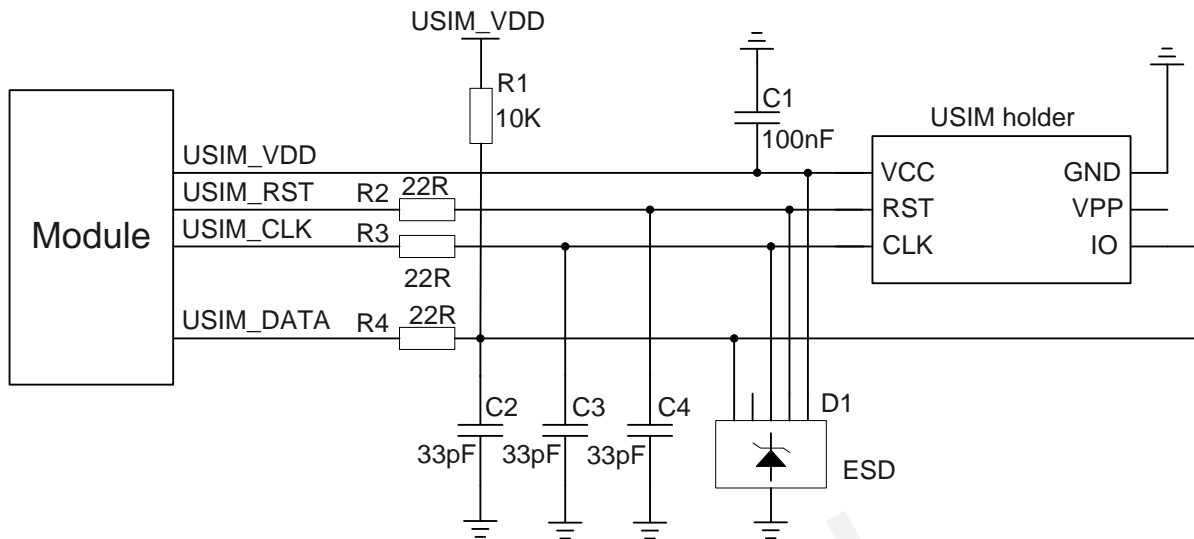
USIM2_CLK	19	DO	Clock signal of USIM2 card	
USIM2_DATA	20	IO	Data signal of USIM2 card	Pull-up to USIM2_VDD with a 10K resistor
USIM2_VDD	21	PO	Power supply for USIM2 card	Either 1.8V or 2.95V USIM card is supported by the module automatically
USIM1_DETECT	22	DI	USIM1 card input detection	Active low. External pull-up resistor is required. If unused, keep this pin open.
USIM1_RST	23	DO	Reset signal of USIM1 card	
USIM1_CLK	24	DO	Clock signal of USIM1 card	
USIM1_DATA	25	IO	Data signal of USIM1 card	Pull-up to USIM1_VDD with a 10K resistor
USIM1_VDD	26	PO	Power supply for USIM1 card	Either 1.8V or 2.95V USIM card is supported by the module automatically

SC20 supports USIM card hot-plugging via the USIM\_DETECT pin. A reference circuit for USIM interface with an 8-pin USIM holder is shown below.



**Figure 17: Reference Circuit for USIM Interface with an 8-pin USIM Holder**

If you don't use the USIM\_DETECT, please do not connect it. The following is a reference circuit for USIM interface with a 6-pin USIM holder.



**Figure 18: Reference Circuit for USIM Interface with a 6-pin USIM Holder**

In order to ensure good performance and avoid damage of USIM cards, please follow the criteria below in USIM circuit design:

- Place USIM holder as close as possible to the module. Assure the trace length of USIM card signal is less than 200mm.
- Keep USIM card signal away from RF and VBAT alignment.
- A 100nF filter capacitor shall be reserved for USIM\_VDD, and its maximum capacitance should not exceed 1uF. The capacitor should be placed near to USIM card.
- To avoid cross-talk between USIM\_DATA and USIM\_CLK, keep them away from each other and shield them with ground. USIM\_RST also needs ground protection.
- In order to offer good ESD protection, it is recommended to add TVS. The parasitic capacitance of TVS should be not more than 50pF. The 22Ω resistors should be added in series between the module and USIM card so as to suppress EMI. Please note that the USIM peripheral circuit should be close to the USIM holder.
- The 33pF capacitors should be added in parallel on USIM\_DATA, USIM\_CLK and USIM\_RST signal lines so as to filter RF interference, and they should be placed as close to the USIM holder as possible.

### 3.12. SDIO Interface

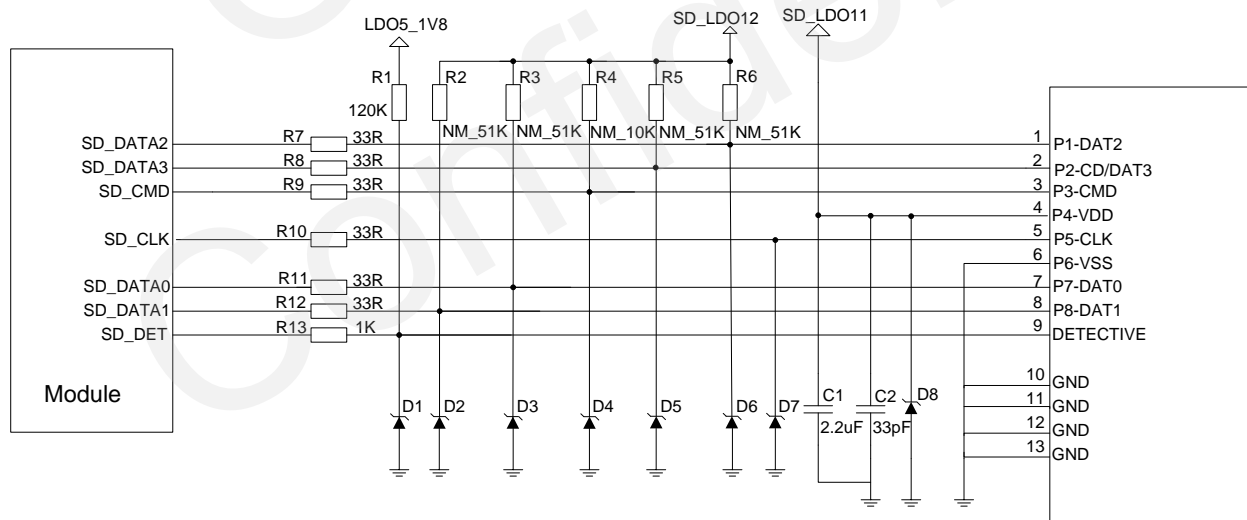
SC20 module supports SD cards with 4-bit data interfaces or SDIO devices.

SD card interface pin definition and features are as follows.

**Table 10: Pin Definition of the SD Card Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
SD_LDO11	38	PO	Power supply for SD card	
SD_LDO12	32	PO	SD card pull-up power supply	Support 1.8V or 2.95V power supply; the maximum drive current is 50mA.
SD_CLK	39	DO	High speed digital clock	
SD_CMD	40	I/O	SD card command signal	
SD_DATA0	41	I/O	High speed, bidirectional digital signals	Control characteristic impedance as 50Ω
SD_DATA1	42	I/O		
SD_DATA2	43	I/O		
SD_DATA3	44	I/O		
SD_DET	45	DI	SD card input detection	Active low

A reference circuit for SD card interface is shown as below.



**Figure 19: Reference Circuit for SD Card Interface**

SD\_LDO11 is a peripheral driver power supply for SD card. The maximum drive current is approx. 600mA. Because of the high drive current, it is recommended that the trace width is 0.5mm. In order to ensure the stability of drive power, a 2.2uF and a 33pF capacitor should be added in parallel near the SD socket.

CMD, CLK, DATA0, DATA1, DATA2 and DATA3 are all high speed signal lines. In PCB design, please control the characteristic impedance as 50Ω, and don't cross with other traces. It is recommended to route the trace on the inner layer of PCB, and to keep the same trace length for CMD, DATA0, DATA1, DATA2 and DATA3. CLK shall keep the same trace length as well, and additionally needs ground shielding.

Layout length control:

1. Control impedance as 50Ω +/- 10%, and ground shielding is required.
2. The trace length difference between CLK and other signal line traces should be no more than 1mm.

**Table 11: SDIO Trace Length Inside the Module**

Pin No.	Signal	Length (mm)	Comment
39	SD_CLK	14.60	
40	SD_CMD	14.55	
41	SD_DATA0	14.53	
42	SD_DATA1	14.56	
43	SD_DATA2	14.53	
44	SD_DATA3	14.57	

### 3.13. GPIO Interface

SC20 has abundant GPIO interfaces with logic level of 1.8V. The pin definition is listed below.

**Table 12: Pin Definition of GPIO Interface**

PIN	Pin Name	GPIO	Default state	Comment
17	USIM2_DETECT	GPIO_52	B-PD: nppukp	
18	USIM2_RST	GPIO_51	B-PD: nppukp	
19	USIM2_CLK	GPIO_50	BH-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
20	USIM2_DATA	GPIO_49	BH-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
22	USIM1_DETECT	GPIO_56	B-PD: nppukp	

23	USIM1_RST	GPIO_55	B-PD: nppukp	
24	USIM1_CLK	GPIO_54	B-PD: nppukp	
25	USIM1_DATA	GPIO_53	B-PD: nppukp	
30	TP_INT	GPIO_13	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
31	TP_RST	GPIO_12	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
33	GPIO_23	GPIO_23	B-PD: nppukp	
34	UART1_TXD	GPIO_20	BH-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
35	UART1_RXD	GPIO_21	B-PD: nppukp	UART1_RX Wakeup
36	UART1_CTS	GPIO_111	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
37	UART1_RTS	GPIO_112	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
45	SD_DET	GPIO_38	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
46	USB_BOOT	GPIO_37	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
47	TP_I2C_SCL	GPIO_19	B-PD: nppukp	
48	TP_I2C_SDA	GPIO_18	B-PD: nppukp	
49	LCD_RST	GPIO_25	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
50	LCD_TE	GPIO_24	B-PD: nppukp	
74	CAM0_CLK	GPIO_26	B-PD: nppukp	
75	CAM1_CLK	GPIO_27	B-PD: nppukp	
79	CAM0_RST	GPIO_35	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
80	CAM0_PWD	GPIO_34	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
81	CAM1_RST	GPIO_28	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
82	CAM1_PWD	GPIO_33	B-PD: nppukp	
83	CAM_I2C_SCL	GPIO_30	B-PD: nppukp	
84	CAM_I2C_SDA	GPIO_29	B-PD: nppukp	
90	GPIO_32	GPIO_32	B-PD: nppukp	

91	SENSOR_I2C_SCL	GPIO_7	B-PD: nppukp	
92	SENSOR_I2C_SDA	GPIO_6	B-PD: nppukp	
93	UART2_RXD	GPIO_5	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
94	UART2_TXD	GPIO_4	B-PD: nppukp	
95	KEY_VOL_UP	GPIO_90	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
96	KEY_VOL_DOWN	GPIO_91	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
97	GPIO_31	GPIO_31	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
98	GPIO_92	GPIO_92	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
99	GPIO_88	GPIO_88	B-PD: nppukp	
100	GPIO_89	GPIO_89	B-PD: nppukp	
101	GPIO_69	GPIO_69	B-PD: nppukp	
102	GPIO_68	GPIO_68	B-PD: nppukp	
103	GPIO_97	GPIO_97	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
104	GPIO_110	GPIO_110	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
105	GPIO_0	GPIO_0	B-PD: nppukp	
106	GPIO_98	GPIO_98	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
107	GPIO_94	GPIO_94	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
108	GPIO_36	GPIO_36	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
109	GPIO_65	GPIO_65	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
110	GPIO_96	GPIO_96	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
112	GPIO_58	GPIO_58	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
113	GPIO_99	GPIO_99	B-PD: nppukp	
115	GPIO_95	GPIO_95	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
116	GPIO_11	GPIO_11	B-PD: nppukp	Wakeup
117	GPIO_10	GPIO_10	B-PD: nppukp	

118	GPIO_9	GPIO_9	B-PD: nppukp
119	GPIO_8	GPIO_8	B-PD: nppukp
123	GPIO_16	GPIO_16	B-PD: nppukp
124	GPIO_17	GPIO_17	B-PD: nppukp

#### NOTE

Wakeup: interrupt pins that can wake up the system

B: Bidirectional digital with CMOS input

H: High-voltage tolerant

NP: pdpukp = default no-pull with programmable options following the colon (:)

PD: nppukp = default pull-down with programmable options following the colon (:)

PU: nppdkp = default pull-up with programmable options following the colon (:)

KP: nppdpu = default keeper with programmable options following the colon (:)

### 3.14. I2C Interface

SC20 provides 3 groups of I2C interface which only supports the master mode. As an open drain output, the I2C interface needs a pull-up resistor on its external circuit. It supports maximum speed up to 3.4Mbps, and the recommended logic level is 1.8V.

**Table 13: Pin Definition of I2C Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
TP_I2C_SCL	47	OD	I2C clock signal of touch panel	
TP_I2C_SDA	48	OD	I2C data signal of touch panel	
CAM_I2C_SCL	83	OD	I2C clock signal of camera	
CAM_I2C_SDA	84	OD	I2C data signal of camera	
SENSOR_I2C_SCL	91	OD	I2C clock signal for external sensor	
SENSOR_I2C_SDA	92	OD	I2C data signal for external sensor	



### 3.15. ADC Interface

SC20 module provides three analog-to-digital converters (ADC), and the pin definition is available below.

**Table 14: Pin Definition of the ADC**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
ADC	128	AI	General purpose ADC	Max input voltage is 1.7V
VBAT_SNS	133	AI	Input voltage sense	Max input voltage is 4.5V
VBAT_THERM	134	AI	Battery temperature detection	Internal pull-up; externally connect to GND with a 47K NTC thermistor

The resolution of the ADC is up to 10 bit.

#### NOTE

When the input voltage exceeds the maximum input voltage of VBAT\_SNS pin, resistor divider cannot be used in the circuit design. Instead, general purpose ADC with resistor divider input can be used.

### 3.16. Motor Drive Interface

The pin of motor drive interface is defined as follows:

**Table 15: Pin Definition of Motor Drive Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
VIB_DRV	28	PO	Motor drive	Connected to the negative terminal of the motor

The motor is driven by an exclusive circuit, and a reference circuit design is shown below.

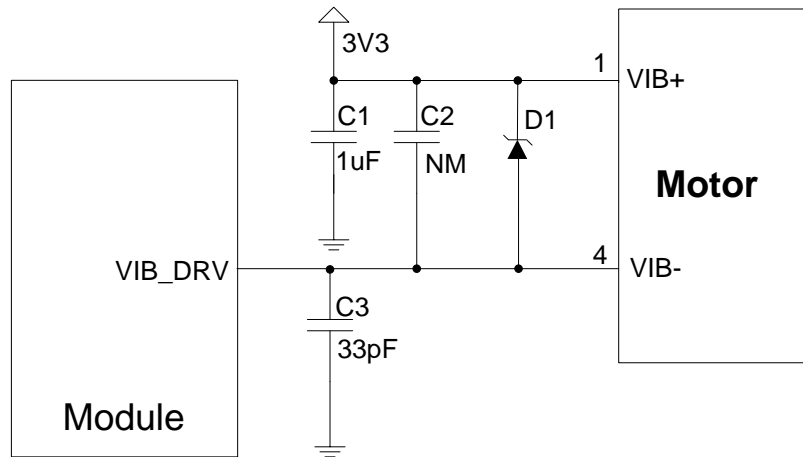


Figure 20: Reference Circuit for Motor Connection

When the motor stops, the redundant electricity can be discharged from the circuit loop formed by diodes, thus avoiding component damages.

### 3.17. LCM Interface

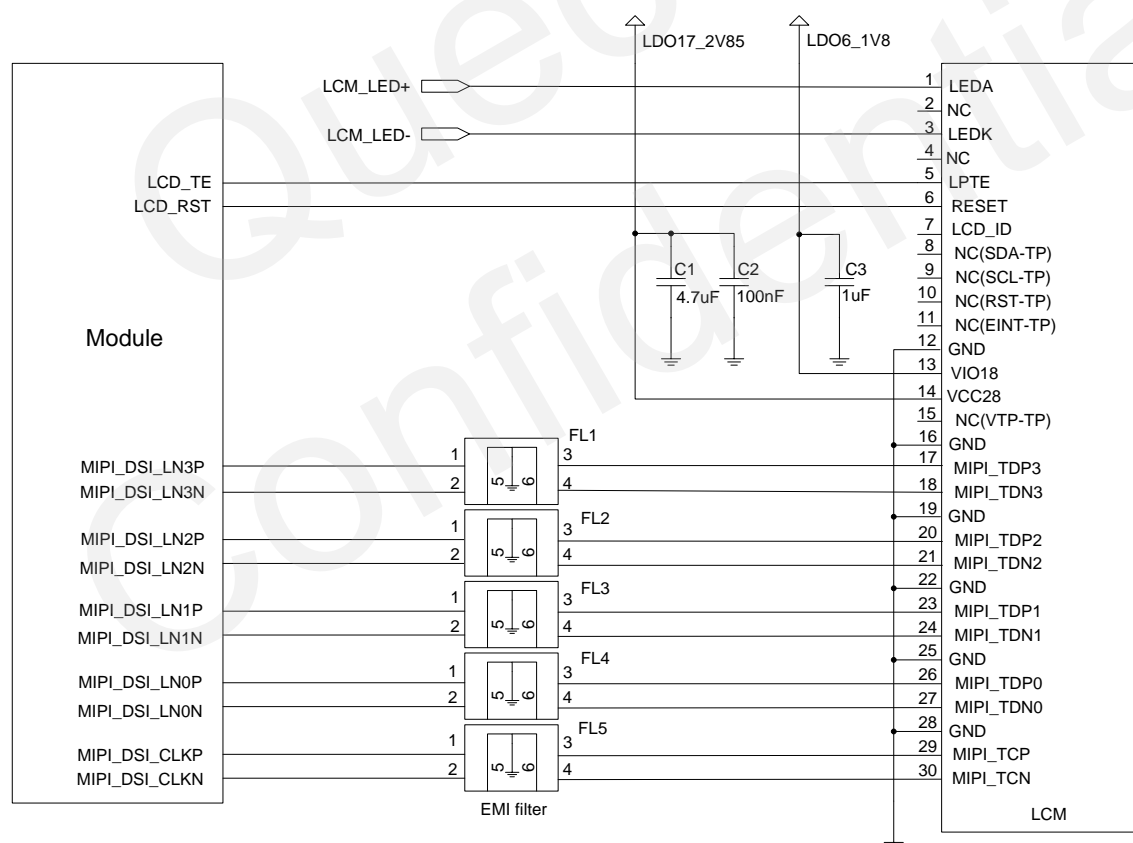
SC20 module provides an LCM interface meeting MIPI DSI specification. The interface supports high speed differential data transmission, with up to four lanes and a transmission rate up to 1.5Gbps per lane. It supports maximally 720P resolution displays.

Table 16: Pin Definition of LCM Interface

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
LDO6_1V8	125	PO	Power output	1.8V normal voltage
LDO17_2V85	129	PO	Power output	2.85V normal voltage
PWM	29	DO	Adjust the backlight brightness. PWM control signal.	
LCD_RST	49	DO	LCM reset signal	Low level reset
LCD_TE	50	DI	LCM tearing effect signal	
MIPI_DSI_CLKN	52	AO	Clock signal of MIPI LCM	
MIPI_DSI_CLKP	53	AO		

MIPI_DSI_LN0N	54	AO	Data signal of MIPI LCM
MIPI_DSI_LN0P	55	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN1N	56	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN1P	57	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN2N	58	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN2P	59	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN3N	60	AO	
MIPI_DSI_LN3P	61	AO	

Four-lane MIPI DSI is needed for connection with 720P displays. The following is a reference circuit design, by taking the LCM interface on LHR050H41-00 (IC: ILI9881C) from **HUARUI Lighting** as an example.



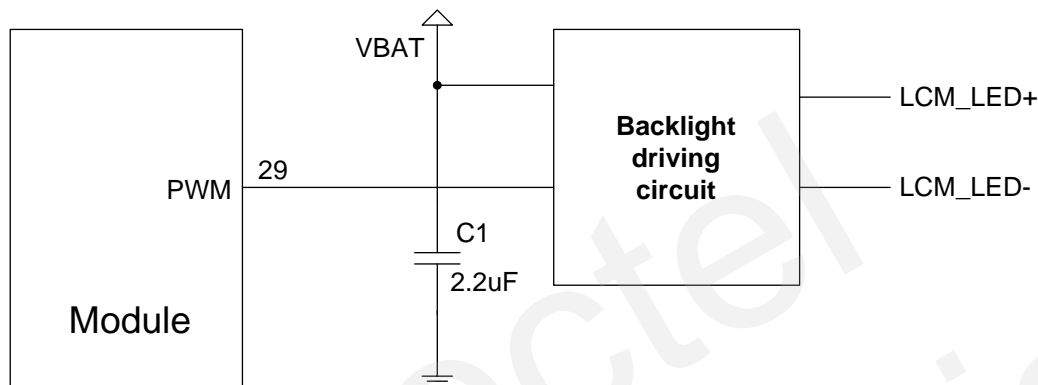
**Figure 21: Reference Circuit Design for LCM Interface**

MIPI\_DSI are high speed signal lines. It is recommended that common-mode chokes should be added in

series on the side of LCM, so as to improve protection against electromagnetic radiation interference. ICMEF112P900MFR from **ICT** is recommended.

When compatible design with other displays is required, please connect the LCD\_ID pin of LCM to the module's ADC pin, and please note that never exceed the voltage range of ADC pin.

Backlight driving circuit needs to be designed for LCM, and a reference circuit design is shown in the following figure. Backlight brightness adjustment can be realized by PWW pin of SC20 module through adjusting the duty ratio.



**Figure 22: Reference Design for Backlight Driving Circuit**

### 3.18. Touch Panel Interface

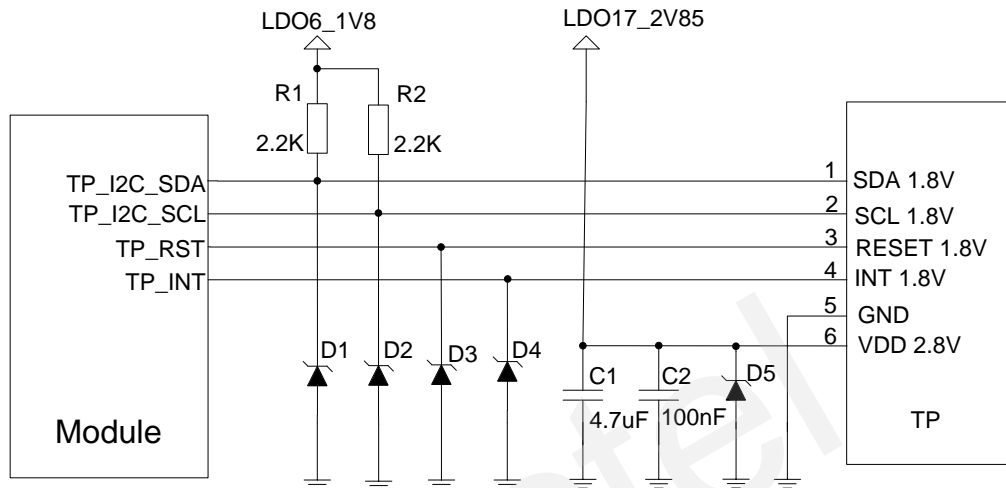
SC20 provides a set of I2C interface for connection with Touch Panel (TP), and also provides the corresponding power supply and interrupt pins. The definition of TP interface pins is illustrated below.

**Table 17: Pin Definition of Touch Panel Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
LDO6_1V8	125	PO	Power output	Pull-up power supply of I2C; 1.8V normal voltage
LDO17_2V85	129	PO	Power output	TP power supply; 2.85V normal voltage
TP_INT	30	DI	Interrupt signal of TP	
TP_RST	31	DO	Reset signal of TP	Active low
TP_I2C_SCL	47	OD	I2C clock signal of TP	

TP_I2C_SDA	48	OD	I2C data signal of TP
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The following illustrates a TP interface reference circuit, by taking the TP interface on LHR050H41-00 (IC: GT9147) from **HUARUI Lighting** as an example.



**Figure 23: Reference Circuit Design for TP Interface**

### 3.19. Camera Interface

Based on standard MIPI CSI video input interface, SC20 module supports two cameras, and the maximum pixel of the rear camera can be up to 8MP. The video and photo quality is determined by various factors such as the camera sensor, camera lens quality, etc. It is recommended to select a proper camera model, according to the specification of cameras verified and recommended by Quectel.

The following models of camera sensors have been verified by Quectel:

Rear camera: T4KA3 of TOSHIBA

Front camera: SP2508 of SuperPix

#### 3.19.1. Rear Camera Interface

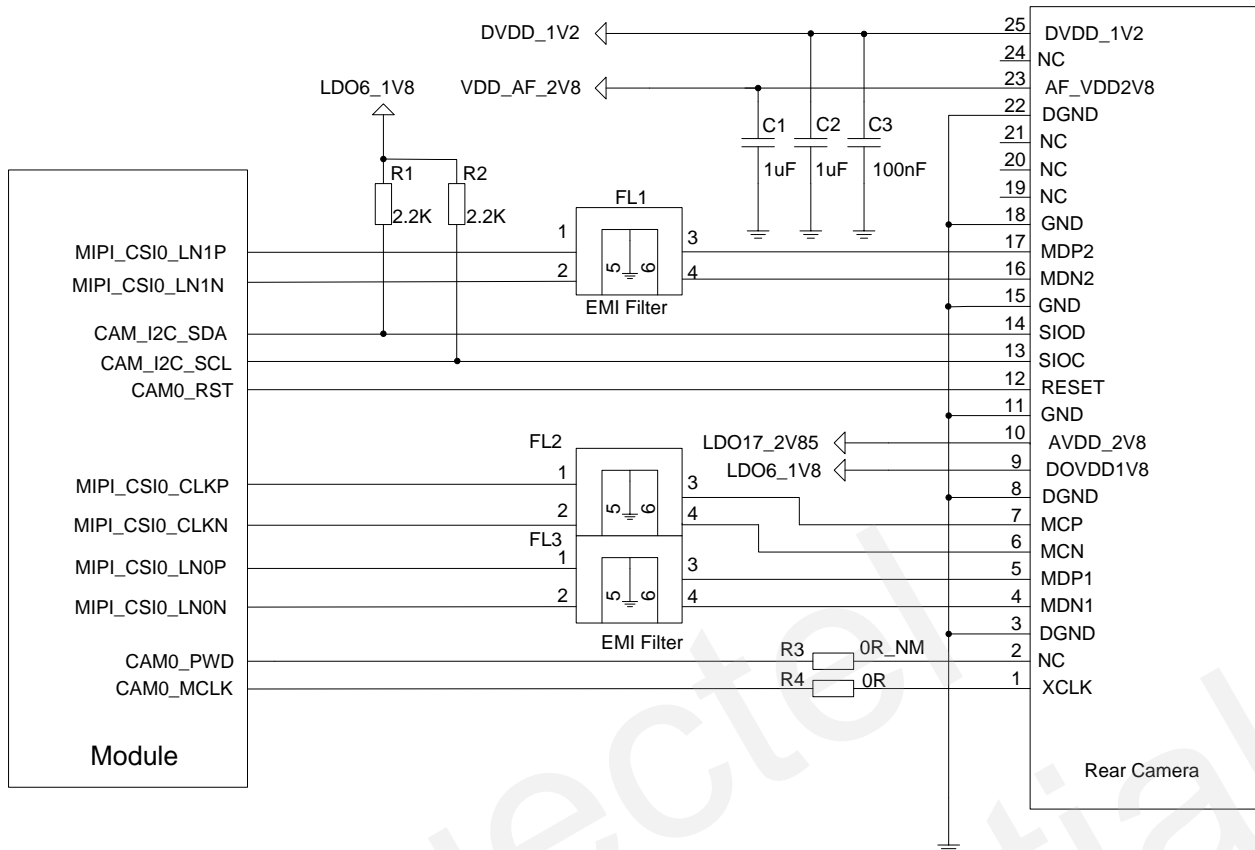
The rear camera realizes transmission and control via its FPC and a connector which is connected to the module. SC20 rear camera interface integrates a two-lane MIPI CSI for differential data transmission, and it maximally supports 8MP cameras.

The pin definition of rear camera interface is shown below.

**Table 18: Pin Definition of Rear Camera Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
LDO6_1V8	125	PO	Power output	1.8V normal voltage
LDO17_2V85	129	PO	Power output	2.85V normal voltage
MIPI_CSI0_CLKN	63	AI	MIPI clock signal of rear camera	
MIPI_CSI0_CLKP	64	AI		
MIPI_CSI0_LN0N	65	AI	MIPI data signal of rear camera	
MIPI_CSI0_LN0P	66	AI		
MIPI_CSI0_LN1N	67	AI		
MIPI_CSI0_LN1P	68	AI		
CAM0_MCLK	74	DO	Clock signal of rear camera	
CAM0_RST	79	DO	Reset signal of rear camera	
CAM0_PWD	80	DO	Power down signal of rear camera	
CAM_I2C_SCL	83	OD	I2C clock signal of camera	
CAM_I2C_SDA	84	OD	I2C data signal of camera	

The following is a reference circuit design for rear camera interface, by taking the connection with T4KA3 camera as an example.



**Figure 24: Reference Circuit Design for Rear Camera Interface**

**NOTE**

DVDD\_1V2 is used to power the rear camera core, and VDD\_AF\_2V8 is used to power the rear camera AF circuit. Both of them are powered by an external LDO.

### 3.19.2. Front Camera Interface

The front camera interface integrates a differential data interface meeting one-lane MIPI CSI standard, and is tested to support 2MP cameras.

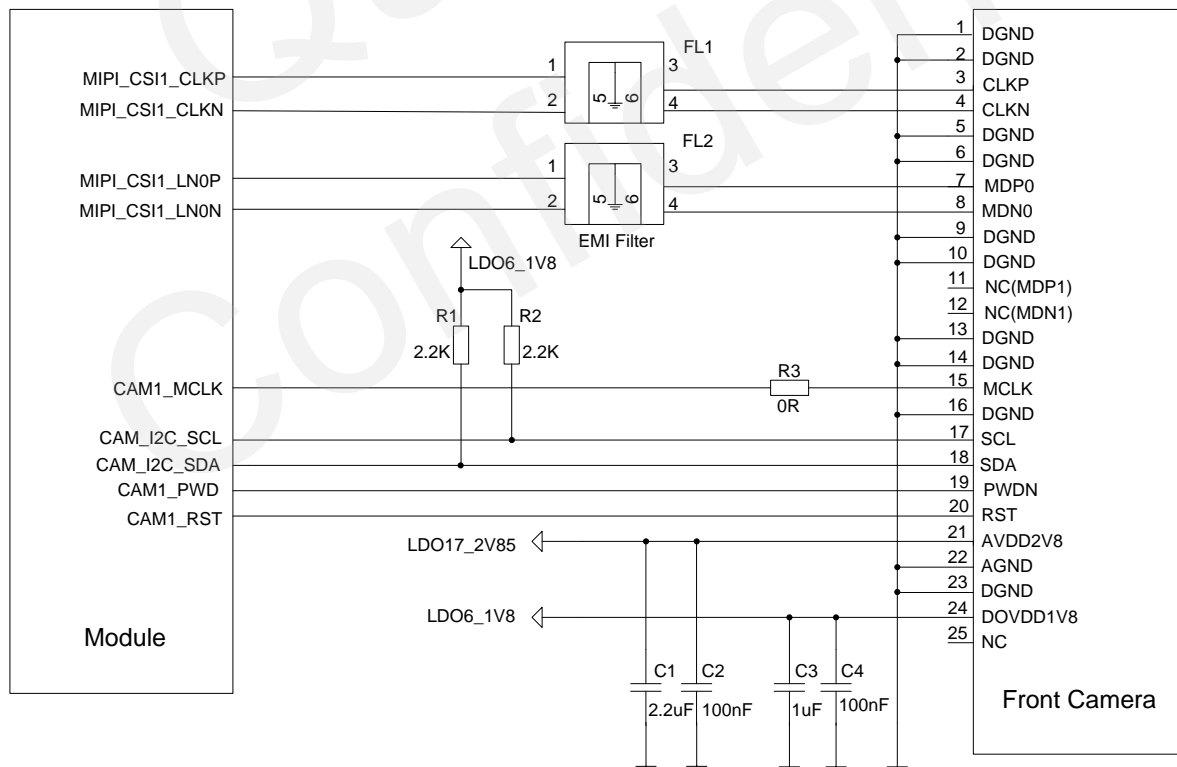
The pin definition of rear camera interface is shown below.

**Table 19: Pin Definition of Front Camera Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
LDO6_1V8	125	PO	Power output	1.8V normal voltage

LDO17_2V85	129	PO	Power output	2.85V normal voltage
MIPI_CSI1_CLKN	70	AI	MIPI clock signal of front camera	
MIPI_CSI1_CLKP	71	AI		
MIPI_CSI1_LN0N	72	AI	MIPI data signal of front camera	
MIPI_CSI1_LN0P	73	AI		
CAM1_MCLK	75	DO	Clock signal of front camera	
CAM1_RST	81	DO	Reset signal of front camera	
CAM1_PWD	82	DO	Power down signal of front camera	
CAM_I2C_SCL	83	OD	I2C clock signal of camera	
CAM_I2C_SDA	84	OD	I2C data signal of camera	

The following is a reference circuit design for front camera interface, by taking the connection with SP2508 camera as an example.



**Figure 25: Reference Circuit Design for Front Camera Interface**



### 3.19.3. Design Considerations

- Special attention should be paid to the definition of video device interface in schematic design. Different video devices will have varied definitions for their corresponding connectors. Assure the device and the connectors are correctly connected.
- MIPI are high speed signal lines, supporting maximum data rate up to 1.5Gbps. The differential impedance should be controlled as 100Ω. Additionally, it is recommended to route the trace on the inner layer of PCB, and don't cross it with other traces. For the same video device, all the MIPI traces should keep the same length. In order to avoid crosstalk, a distance of 1.5 times of the trace width is recommended to be maintained among MIPI signal lines. During impedance matching, don't connect GND on different planes so as to ensure impedance consistency.
- It is recommended to select a low capacitance TVS for ESD protection and the recommended parasitic capacitance is below 1pF.
- Route MIPI traces according to the following rules:
  1. The trace length should not exceed 305mm.
  2. Control the differential impedance as 100Ω ±10%.
  3. Control the length error of differential lines in the same lane within 0.67mm.
  4. Control the length error of differential lines in different lanes within 1.3mm.

**Table 20: MIPI Trace Length inside the Module**

PIN	Pin Name	Length (mm)	Length Difference (P-N)
52	MIPI_DSI_CLKN	7.08	-0.63
53	MIPI_DSI_CLKP	6.45	
54	MIPI_DSI_LN0N	6.15	-0.30
55	MIPI_DSI_LN0P	5.85	
56	MIPI_DSI_LN1N	6.64	-0.04
57	MIPI_DSI_LN1P	6.60	
58	MIPI_DSI_LN2N	8.20	0.74
59	MIPI_DSI_LN2P	8.94	
60	MIPI_DSI_LN3N	9.28	0.96
61	MIPI_DSI_LN3P	10.24	
63	MIPI_CSI0_CLKN	10.55	0.54
64	MIPI_CSI0_CLKP	11.09	

65	MIPI_CSI0_LN0N	12.13	0.40
66	MIPI_CSI0_LN0P	12.53	
67	MIPI_CSI0_LN1N	13.73	0.76
68	MIPI_CSI0_LN1P	14.49	
70	MIPI_CSI1_CLKN	17.32	0.13
71	MIPI_CSI1_CLKP	17.45	
72	MIPI_CSI1_LN0N	18.89	0.35
73	MIPI_CSI1_LN0P	19.24	

### 3.20. Sensor Interface

SC20 module supports communication with sensors via I2C interface, and it supports ALS/PS, Compass, G-sensor, and Gyroscopic sensors.

Verified sensor models by Quectel include: BST-BMA223, STK3311-WV, MPU-6881, and MMC35240PJ.

**Table 21: Pin Definition of Sensor Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
SENSOR_I2C_SCL	91	OD	I2C clock signal for external sensor	Default configuration; include but not limited to these GPIO pins
SENSOR_I2C_SDA	92	OD	I2C data signal for external sensor	
GPIO_88	99	DI	Gyroscope sensor interrupt signal 2	
GPIO_89	100	DI	Gyroscope sensor interrupt signal 1	
GPIO_94	107	DI	Proximity sensor interrupt signal	
GPIO_36	108	DI	Compass sensor interrupt signal	
GPIO_65	109	DI	Gravity sensor interrupt signal 2	

GPIO_96	110	DI	Gravity sensor interrupt signal 1
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### 3.21. Audio Interfaces

SC20 module provides two analog input channels and three analog output channels. The following table shows the pin definition.

**Table 22: Pin Definition of Audio Interface**

Pin Name	Pin No	I/O	Description	Comment
MIC1P	4	AI	Channel 1 microphone positive input	
MIC_GND	5		MIC reference GND	
MIC2P	6	AI	Channel 2 microphone positive input	
EARP	8	AO	Earpiece positive output	
EARN	9	AO	Earpiece negative output	
SPKP	10	AO	Speaker positive output	
SPKN	11	AO	Speaker negative output	
HPH_R	136	AO	Headphone right channel output	
HPH_GND	137		Headphone virtual GND	
HPH_L	138	AO	Headphone left channel output	
HS_DET	139	AI	Headset insertion detection	High level by default

- The module offers two audio input channels which are both single-ended channels.
- The earpiece interface uses differential output.
- The loudspeaker interface uses differential output as well. The output channel is available with a Class-D amplifier whose output power is 879mW when VBAT is 4.2V and load is 8Ω.
- The headphone interface features stereo left and right channel output, and headphone insert detection function is supported.

### 3.21.1. Reference Circuit Design for Microphone

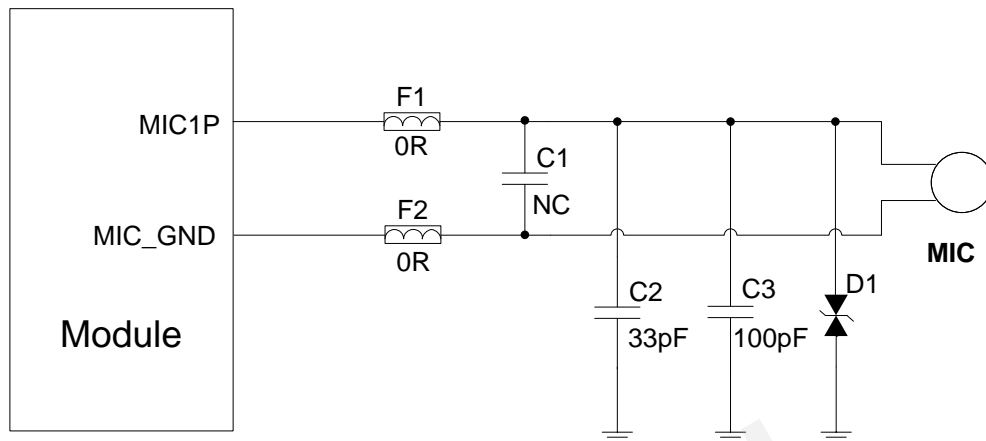


Figure 26: Reference Circuit Design for Microphone Interface

### 3.21.2. Reference Circuit Design for Receiver Interface

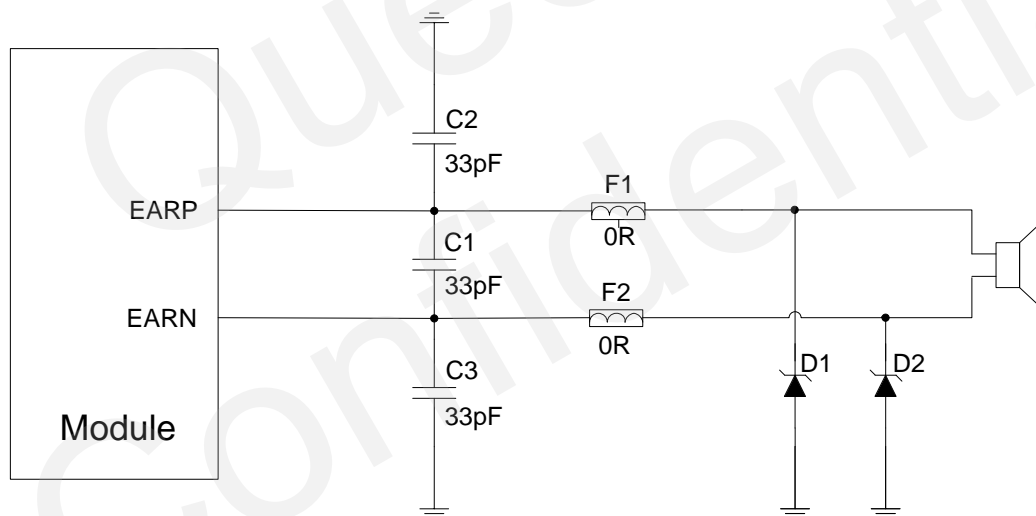


Figure 27: Reference Circuit Design for Receiver Interface

### 3.21.3. Reference Circuit Design for Headphone Interface

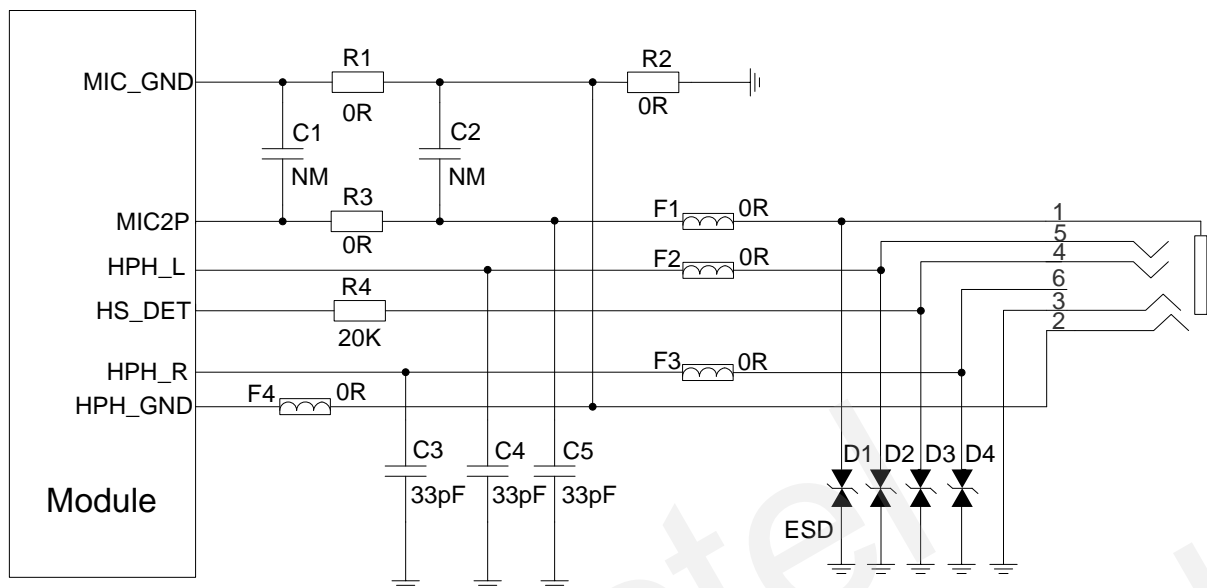


Figure 28: Reference Circuit Design for Headphone Interface

### 3.21.4. Reference Circuit Design for Loudspeaker Interface

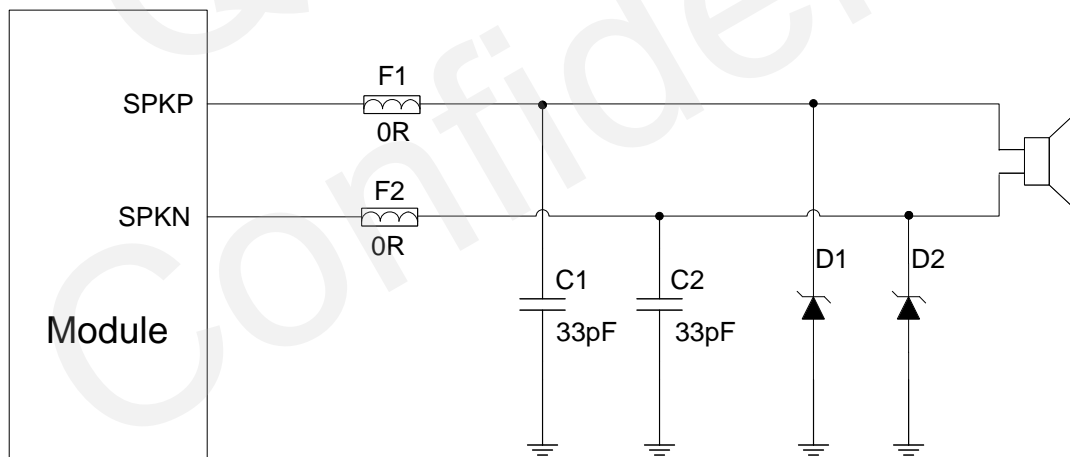


Figure 29: Reference Circuit Design for Loudspeaker Interface

### 3.21.5. Audio Interface Design Considerations

It is recommended to use the electret microphone with dual built-in capacitors (e.g. 10pF and 33pF) for filtering out RF interference, thus reducing TDD noise. The 33pF capacitor is applied for filtering out

900MHz RF interference when the module is transmitting at EGSM900MHz. Without placing this capacitor, TDD noise could be heard. Moreover, the 10pF capacitor here is used for filtering out 1800MHz RF interference. Please note that the resonant frequency point of a capacitor largely depends on the material and production technique. Therefore, customers would have to discuss with their capacitor vendors to choose the most suitable capacitor for filtering out high-frequency noises.

The severity degree of the RF interference in the voice channel during GSM transmitting period largely depends on the application design. In some cases, GSM900 TDD noise is more severe; while in other cases, DCS1800 TDD noise is more obvious. Therefore, a suitable capacitor can be selected based on the test results. Sometimes, even no RF filtering capacitor is required.

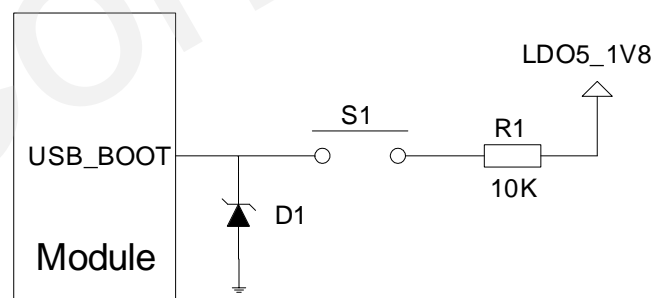
The capacitor which is used for filtering out RF noise should be close to the audio device or audio interface. The trace should be as short as possible, and it is recommended to route the trace for capacitors first and then for other points.

In order to decrease radio or other signal interference, the position of RF antenna should be kept away from audio interface and audio trace. Power trace couldn't be parallel with audio trace and also should be far away from the audio trace.

The differential audio traces must be routed according to the differential signal layout rule.

### 3.22. Emergency Download Interface

USB\_BOOT is an emergency download interface. Pull up USB\_BOOT to LDO5\_1V8 with a 10K resistor will make the module enter into emergency download mode, and this is the final option to be selected when there are module failures such as abnormal startup or running. For convenience of firmware upgrade and debugging in the future, please reverse this pin.



**Figure 30: Reference Circuit Design for Emergency Download Interface**

## 4 Wi-Fi and BT

SC20 module provides a shared antenna interface ANT\_WIFI/BT for Wi-Fi and Bluetooth (BT) functions. The interface impedance is 50Ω. External antennas such as PCB antenna, sucker antenna and ceramic antenna can be connected to the module via the interface, so as to achieve Wi-Fi and BT functions.

### 4.1. Wi-Fi Overview

SC20 module supports 2.4G single-band WLAN wireless communication based on IEEE 802.11 b/ 802.11g/ 802.11n standard protocols. The maximum data rate is up to 150 Mbps.

The features are as below:

- Support Wake-on-WLAN (WoWLAN)
- Support ad hoc mode
- Support WAPI SMS4 hardware encryption
- Support AP mode
- Support Wi-Fi Direct
- Support MCS 0-7 for HT20 and HT40

#### 4.1.1. Wi-Fi Performance

The following table lists the Wi-Fi transmitting and receiving performance of SC20 module.

**Table 23: Wi-Fi Transmitting Performance**

Standard	Rate	Output Power
802.11b	1Mbps	15.77dBm
802.11b	11Mbps	15.62dBm
802.11g	6Mbps	15.59dBm
802.11g	54Mbps	15.01dBm

802.11n HT20	MCS0	13.97dBm
802.11n HT20	MCS7	13.08dBm
802.11n HT40	MCS0	14.75dBm
802.11n HT40	MCS7	13.52dBm

**Table 24: Wi-Fi Receiving Performance**

Standard	Rate	Sensitivity
802.11b	1/11Mbps	-86dBm
802.11g	54Mbps	-76dBm
802.11n HT20	MCS7	-74dBm

Referenced specifications are listed below:

No.	Document
1	IEEE 802.11n WLAN MAC and PHY, October 2009 + IEEE 802.11-2007 WLAN MAC and PHY, June 2007
2	IEEE Std 802.11b, IEEE Std 802.11d, IEEE Std 802.11e, IEEE Std 802.11g, IEEE Std 802.11i: IEEE 802.11-2007 WLAN MAC and PHY, June 2007

## 4.2. BT Overview

SC20 module supports BT4.1 (BR/EDR+BLE) specification, as well as GFSK, 8-DPSK,  $\pi/4$ -DQPSK modulation modes.

- Maximally support up to 7 wireless connections.
- Maximally support up to 3.5 piconets at the same time.
- Support one SCO (Synchronous Connection Oriented) or eSCO connection.

The BR/EDR channel bandwidth is 1MHz, and can accommodate 79 channels. The BLE channel bandwidth is 2MHz, and can accommodate 40 channels.



**Table 25: BT Data Rate and Version**

Version	Data rate	Maximum Application Throughput	Comment
1.2	1 Mbit/s	>80 Kbit/s	
2.0 + EDR	3 Mbit/s	>80 Kbit/s	
3.0 + HS	24 Mbit/s	Reference 3.0 + HS	
4.0	24 Mbit/s	Reference 4.0 LE	

Referenced specifications are listed below:

No.	Document
1	Bluetooth Radio Frequency TSS and TP Specification 1.2/2.0/2.0 + EDR/2.1/2.1+ EDR/3.0/3.0 + HS, August 6, 2009
2	Bluetooth Low Energy RF PHY Test Specification, RF-PHY.TS/4.0.0, December 15, 2009

#### 4.2.1. BT Performance

The following table lists the BT transmitting and receiving performance of SC20 module.

**Table 26: BT Transmitting and Receiving Performance**

Transmitter Performance			
Packet Types	DH5	2-DH5	3-DH5
Transmitting Power	10dBm	8dBm	8dBm
Receiver Performance			
Packet Types	DH5	2-DH5	3-DH5
Receiving Sensitivity	-93dBm	-92dBm	-86dBm

# 5 GNSS

SC20 module integrates a Qualcomm IZat™ GNSS engine (GEN 8C) which supports multiple positioning and navigation systems including GPS, GLONASS and BeiDou. With an embedded LNA, the module provides greatly improved positioning accuracy.

## 5.1. GNSS Performance

The following table lists the GNSS performance of SC20 module in conduction mode.

**Table 27: GNSS Performance**

Parameter	Description	Typ.	Unit
Sensitivity (GNSS)	Cold start	-146	dBm
	Reacquisition	-158	dBm
	Tracking	-160	dBm
TTFF (GNSS)	Cold start	32	s
	Warm start	30	s
	Hot start	2	s
Static Drift (GNSS)	CEP-50	6	m

## 5.2. GNSS RF Design Guidance

Bad design of antenna and layout may cause reduced GPS receiving sensitivity, longer GPS positioning time, or reduced positioning accuracy. In order to avoid this, please follow the reference design rules as below:

- Maximize the distance between the GNSS RF part and the GPRS RF part (including trace routing and antenna layout) to avoid mutual interference.
- In user systems, GNSS RF signal lines and RF components should be placed far away from high speed circuits, switched-mode power supplies, power inductors, the clock circuit of single-chip microcomputers, etc.
- For applications with harsh electromagnetic environment or with high requirement on ESD protection, it is recommended to add ESD protective diodes for the antenna interface. Only diodes with ultra-low junction capacitance such as 0.5pF can be selected. Otherwise, there will be effects on the impedance characteristic of RF circuit loop, or attenuation of bypass RF signal may be caused.
- Control the impedance of either feeder line or PCB trace as 50Ω, and keep the trace length as short as possible.
- Refer to **Chapter 6.3** for GNSS reference circuit design.

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## 6 Antenna Interface

SC20 antenna interface includes a main antenna, an Rx-diversity/MIMO antenna, a GNSS antenna and a Wi-Fi/BT antenna. The antenna interface has an impedance of 50Ω.

### 6.1. Main/Rx-diversity Antenna Interface

#### 6.1.1. Pin Definition

The main antenna and Rx-diversity antenna pins' definition are shown below.

**Table 28: Pin Definition of the Main/Rx-diversity Antenna**

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ANT_MAIN	87	IO	Main antenna	50Ω impedance
ANT_DRX	131	AI	Diversity antenna	50Ω impedance

#### 6.1.2. Operating Frequency

**Table 29: SC20 Module Operating Frequencies**

3GPP Band	Receive	Transmit	Unit
EGSM900	925-960	880-915	MHz
DCS1800	1805-1880	1710-1785	MHz
WCDMA Band 1	2110-2170	1920-1980	MHz
WCDMA Band 8	925-960	880-915	MHz
CDMA BC0	869-894	824-849	MHz
TD-SCDMA Band 34	2010-2025	2010-2025	MHz

TD-SCDMA Band 39	1880-1920	1880-1920	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 1	2110-2170	1920-1980	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 3	1805-1880	1710-1785	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 8	925-960	880-915	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 38	2570-2620	2570-2620	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 39	1880-1920	1880-1920	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 40	2300-2400	2300-2400	MHz
LTE-FDD Band 41	2555-2655	2555-2655	MHz

**NOTE**

The bandwidth of LTE-TDD Band 41 for SC20 module is 100MHz (2555 MHz - 2655 MHz), and the corresponding channel range is from 40240 up to 41240.

### 6.1.3. Main and Rx-diversity Antenna Reference Design

A reference circuit design for ANT\_MAIN and ANT\_DRX antenna is shown as below. A  $\pi$ -type matching circuit should be reserved for better RF performance. The capacitors are not mounted by default.

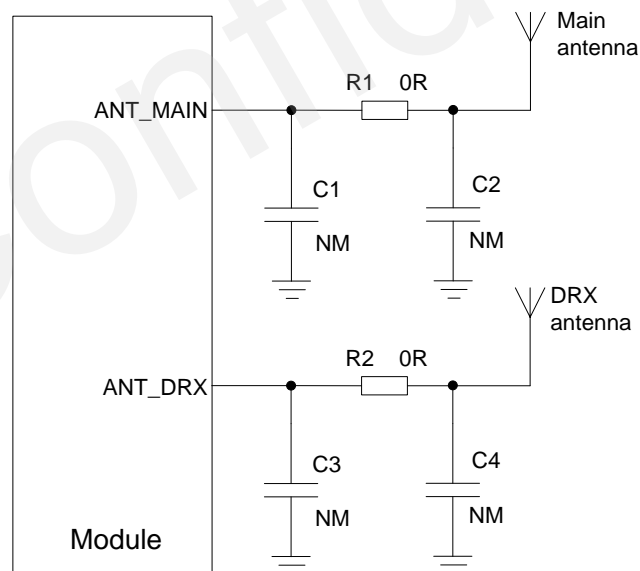


Figure 31: Reference Circuit Design for Main and Rx-diversity Antenna

## 6.2. Wi-Fi/BT Antenna Interface

The following tables show the Wi-Fi/BT antenna pin's definition and frequency specification.

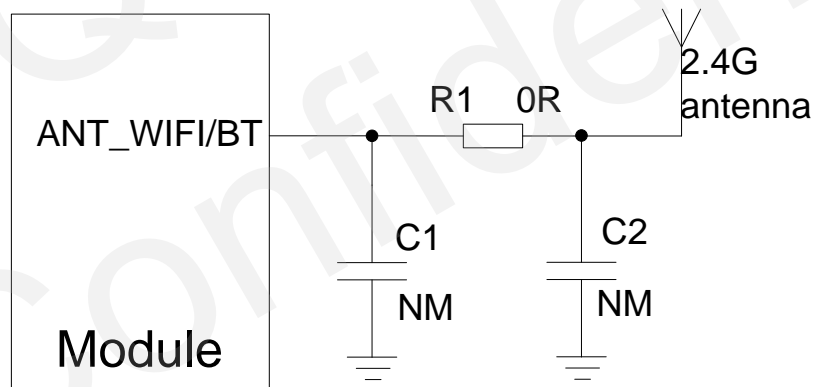
**Table 30: Pin Definition of Wi-Fi/BT Antenna**

Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ANT_WIFI/BT	77	IO	Wi-Fi/BT antenna	50Ω impedance

**Table 31: Wi-Fi/BT Frequency**

Type	Frequency	Unit
802.11b/g/n	2402~2482	MHz
BT4.1 LE	2402~2480	MHz

A reference circuit design for Wi-Fi/BT antenna is shown as below. A  $\pi$ -type matching circuit should be reserved for better RF performance. The capacitors are not mounted by default.



**Figure 32: Reference Circuit Design for Wi-Fi/BT Antenna**

## 6.3. GNSS Antenna Interface

The following tables show the GNSS antenna pin's definition and frequency specification.

**Table 32: Pin Definition of GNSS Antenna**

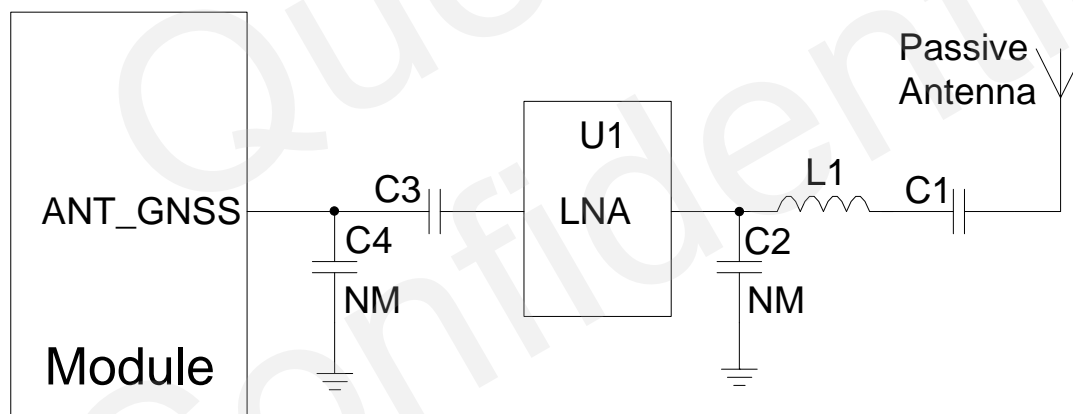
Pin Name	Pin No.	I/O	Description	Comment
ANT_GNSS	121	AI	GNSS antenna	50Ω impedance

**Table 33: GNSS Frequency**

Type	Frequency	Unit
GPS	1575.42 ± 1.023	MHz
GLONASS	1597.5 - 1605.8	MHz
BeiDou	1561.098 ± 2.046	MHz

### 6.3.1. Recommended Circuit for Passive Antenna

A reference circuit design for passive antenna is given below.



**Figure 33: Reference Circuit Design for GNSS Passive Antenna**

### 6.3.2. Recommended Circuit for Active Antenna

The active antenna is powered by a 56nh inductor through the antenna's signal path. The common power supply voltage ranges from 3.3 to 5V. Although featuring low power consumption, the active antenna still requires stable and clean power supplies. Thus, a high performance LDO is recommended to be used as the power supply. A reference design of GNSS active antenna is shown below.

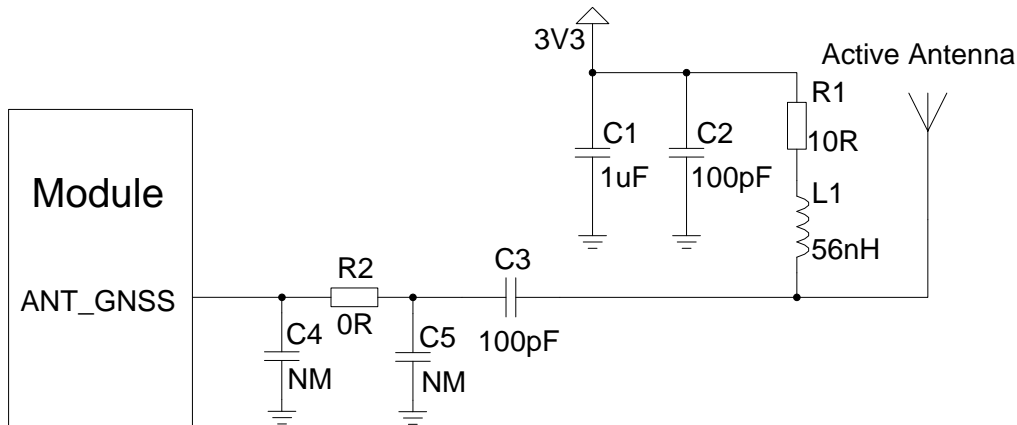


Figure 34: Reference Circuit Design for GNSS Active Antenna

## 6.4. Antenna Installation

### 6.4.1. Antenna Requirement

The following table shows the requirement on main antenna, RX-diversity antenna, Wi-Fi/BT antenna and GNSS antenna.

Table 34: Antenna Requirements

Type	Requirements
GSM/WCDMA/TD-SCDMA/LTE	VSWR: $\leq 2$ Gain (dBi): 1 Max Input Power (W): 50 Input Impedance ( $\Omega$ ): 50 Polarization Type: Vertical Cable Insertion Loss: $< 1\text{dB}$ (GSM900, WCDMA B8, LTE B8) Cable Insertion Loss: $< 1.5\text{dB}$ (DCS1800, WCDMA B1, TD-SCDMA B34/B39, LTE B1/3/39) Cable Insertion Loss: $< 2\text{dB}$ (LTE B38/40/41)
Wi-Fi/BT	VSWR: $\leq 2$ Gain (dBi): 1 Max Input Power (W): 50 Input Impedance ( $\Omega$ ): 50 Polarization Type: Vertical Cable Insertion Loss: $< 1\text{dB}$
GNSS	Frequency range: 1565 - 1607MHz Polarization: RHCP or linear



VSWR: < 2 (Typ.)  
Passive Antenna Gain: > 0dBi  
Active Antenna Noise Figure: < 1.5dB  
Active Antenna Gain: > -2dBi  
Active Antenna Embedded LNA Gain: 20dB (Typ.)  
Active Antenna Total Gain: > 18dBi (Typ.)

#### 6.4.2. Install the Antenna with RF Connector

The following figure shows the antenna installation with RF connector provided by HIROSE. The recommended RF connector is UF.L-R-SMT.

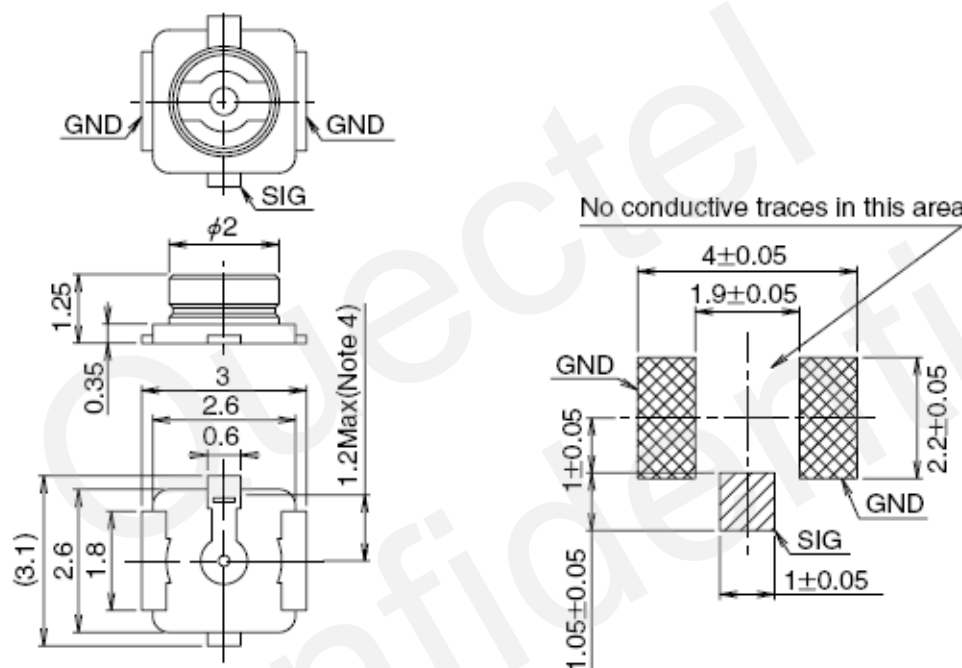


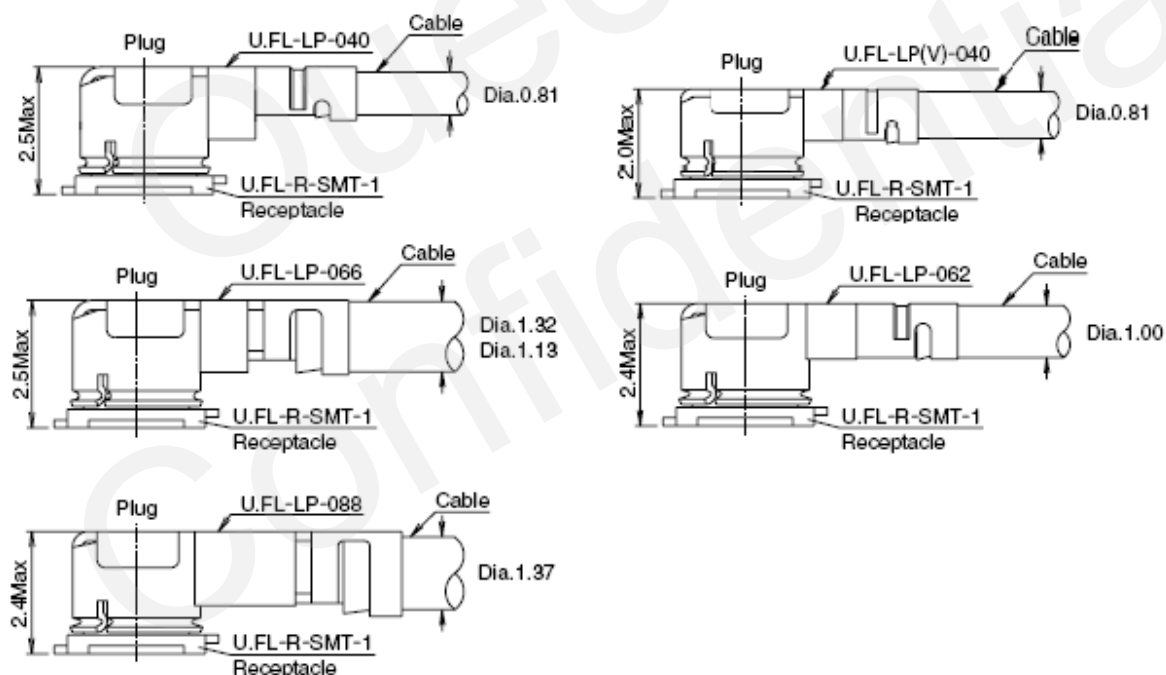
Figure 35: Dimensions of the UF.L-R-SMT Connector (Unit: mm)

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

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 36: Mechanical Parameters of U.F.L-LP Connectors**

The following figure describes the space factor of mated connectors.



**Figure 37: Space Factor of Mated Connectors (Unit: mm)**

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

# 7 Electrical, Reliability and Radio Characteristics

## 7.1. 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 35: Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameter	Min.	Max.	Unit
VBAT	-0.5	6	V
USB_VBUS	-0.5	16	V
Peak Current of VBAT	0	3	A
Voltage on Digital Pins	-0.3	2.3	V

## 7.2. Power Supply Ratings

**Table 36: SC20 Module Power Supply Ratings**

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
VBAT	VBAT	Voltage must stay within the min/max values, including voltage drop, ripple and spikes.	3.5	3.8	4.2	V
	Voltage drop during transmitting burst	Maximum power control level on EGSM900.			400	mV
I <sub>VBAT</sub>	Peak supply	Maximum power control level		1.8	3.0	A

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
	current (during transmission slot)	on EGSM900.				
USB_VBUS	USB detection		4.35	5.0	6.3	V
VRTC	Power supply voltage of backup battery.		2.0	3.0	3.25	V

## 7.3. Charging Performance Specifications

**Table 37: Charging Performance Specifications**

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Trickle charging-A current	81	90	99	mA
Trickle charging-A threshold voltage range (15.62mV steps)	2.5	2.796	2.984	V
Trickle charging-B threshold voltage range (18.75mV steps)	3.0	3.2	3.581	V
Charge voltage range (25mV steps)	4	4.2	4.775	V
Charge voltage accuracy			+/-2	%
Charge current range (90mA steps)	90		1440	mA
Charge current accuracy			+/-10	%
Charge termination current: when charge current is from 90 to 450mA;		7		%
Charge termination current: when charge current is from 450 to 1440mA;		7.4		%

## 7.4. Operating Temperature

The operating temperature is listed in the following table.

**Table 38: Operating Temperature**

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Operating temperature range <sup>1)</sup>	-35	+25	+75	°C
Extended temperature range <sup>2)</sup>	-40		+85	°C

#### NOTES

- <sup>1)</sup> Operating temperature range ---- 3GPP compliant.
- <sup>2)</sup> Within extended temperature range, the module remains the ability to establish and maintain a voice, SMS, data transmission, emergency call, etc. There is no unrecoverable malfunction. There are also no effects on radio spectrum and no harm to radio network. Only one or more parameters like P<sub>out</sub> might reduce in their value and exceed the specified tolerances. When the temperature returns to the normal operating temperature levels, the module will meet 3GPP compliant again.

## 7.5. Current Consumption

The values of current consumption are shown below.

**Table 39: SC20 Current Consumption**

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I <sub>VBAT</sub>	OFF state	Power down		20		uA
	GSM/GPRS supply current	Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=2		3.78		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=5		2.59		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=9		2.32		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=6		3.21		mA
	WCDMA supply current	Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=8		2.49		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=9		2.12		mA
	LTE-FDD supply current	Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=6		3.79		mA

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
LTE-TDD supply current		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=8		2.92		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=9		2.53		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=6		3.69		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=8		2.83		mA
		Sleep (USB disconnected) @DRX=9		2.45		mA
GSM voice call		EGSM900 @PCL5		258		mA
		EGSM900 @PCL12		134		mA
		EGSM900 @PCL19		111		mA
		DCS1800 @PCL0		210		mA
		DCS1800 @PCL7		146		mA
		DCS1800 @PCL15		129		mA
WCDMA voice call		Band 1 @max power		456		mA
		Band 8 @max power		455		mA
GPRS data transfer		GPRS900 (1UL/4DL) @PCL5		246		mA
		GPRS900 (2UL/3DL) @PCL5		399		mA
		GPRS900 (3UL/2DL) @PCL5		480		mA
		GPRS900 (4UL/1DL) @PCL5		555		mA
		DCS1800 (1UL/4DL) @PCL0		215		mA
		DCS1800 (2UL/3DL) @PCL0		325		mA
		DCS1800 (3UL/2DL) @PCL0		435		mA
		DCS1800 (4UL/1DL) @PCL0		550		mA
EDGE data transfer		EDGE900 (1UL/4DL) @PCL8		189		mA
		EDGE900 (2UL/3DL) @PCL8		277		mA

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
		EDGE900 (3UL/2DL) @PCL8		375		mA
		EDGE900 (4UL/1DL) @PCL8		471		mA
		DCS1800 (1UL/4DL) @PCL2		185		mA
		DCS1800 (2UL/3DL) @PCL2		269		mA
		DCS1800 (3UL/2DL) @PCL2		366		mA
		DCS1800 (4UL/1DL) @PCL2		466		mA
	WCDMA data transfer	Band 1(HSDPA) @max power		455		mA
		Band 8(HSDPA) @max power		436		mA
	LTE data transfer	LTE-FDD Band1 @max power		713		mA
		LTE-FDD Band3 @max power		736		mA
		LTE-FDD Band8 @max power		715		mA
		LTE-TDD Band38 @max power		354		mA
		LTE-TDD Band39 @max power		391		mA
		LTE-TDD Band40 @max power		392		mA
		LTE-TDD Band41 @max power		372		mA

## 7.6. RF Output Power

The following table shows the RF output power of SC20 module.

**Table 40: RF Output Power**

Frequency	Max.	Min.
EGSM900	33dBm±2dB	5dBm±5dB
DCS1800	30dBm±2dB	0dBm±5dB
WCDMA Band1	24dBm+1/-3dB	<-50dBm

WCDMA Band8	24dBm+1/-3dB	<-50dBm
CDMA BC0	24dBm+3/-1dB	<-50dBm
TD-SCDMA Band34	24dBm+1/-3dB	<-50dBm
TD-SCDMA Band39	24dBm+1/-3dB	<-50dBm
LTE-FDD B1	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-FDD B3	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-FDD B8	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-TDD B38	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-TDD B39	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-TDD B40	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm
LTE-TDD B41	23dBm±2dB	<-44dBm

**NOTE**

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

## 7.7. RF Receiving Sensitivity

The following table shows the RF receiving sensitivity of SC20 module.

**Table 41: RF Receiving Sensitivity**

Frequency	Receive Sensitivity (Typ.)			
	Primary	Diversity	SIMO	3GPP(SIMO)
EGSM900	-109dBm	NA	NA	-104dBm
DCS1800	-109dBm	NA	NA	-104dBm
WCDMA Band1	-110dBm	NA	NA	-106.7dBm
WCDMA Band8	-110dBm	NA	NA	-103.7dBm



CDMA BC0	-110 dBm	NA	NA	-104dBm
TD-SCDMA Band 34	-109 dBm	NA	NA	-108dBm
TD-SCDMA Band 39	-109 dBm	NA	NA	-108dBm
LTE-FDD B1	-98 dBm	-99 dBm	-102 dBm	-96.3dBm
LTE-FDD B3	-97 dBm	-98 dBm	-101 dBm	-93.3dBm
LTE-FDD B8	-97 dBm	-98 dBm	-101 dBm	-93.3dBm
LTE-FDD B38	-97 dBm	-98 dBm	-100 dBm	-96.3dBm
LTE-FDD B39	-98 dBm	-98 dBm	-101 dBm	-96.3dBm
LTE-FDD B40	-97 dBm	-98 dBm	-100 dBm	-96.3dBm
LTE-FDD B41	-96 dBm	-98 dBm	-100 dBm	-94.3dBm

## 7.8. Electrostatic Discharge

The module is not protected against electrostatic discharge (ESD) in general. Consequently, it should be subject to ESD handling precautions that are typically applied 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.

**Table 42: Electrostatic Discharge Characteristics ( Temperature: 25℃, Humidity: 45%)**

Tested Points	Contact Discharge	Air Discharge	Unit
VBAT, GND	+/-5	+/-10	KV
All Antenna Interfaces	+/-5	+/-10	KV
USB Interfaces	+/-2	+/-4	KV
Other Interfaces	+/-0.5	+/-1	KV

# 8 Mechanical Dimensions

This chapter describes the mechanical dimensions of the module. All dimensions are measured in mm.

## 8.1. Mechanical Dimensions of the Module

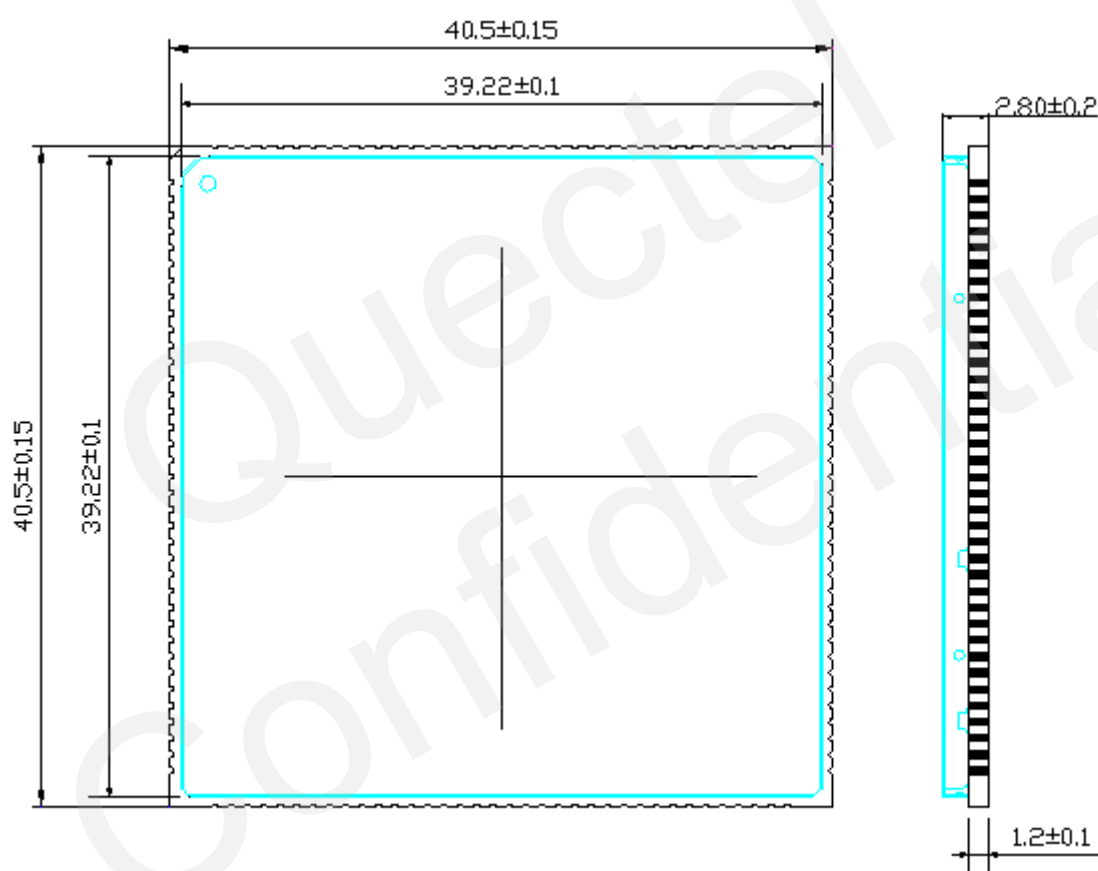


Figure 38: Module Top and Side Dimensions





### 8.3. Top and Bottom View of the Module



Figure 41: Top View of the Module

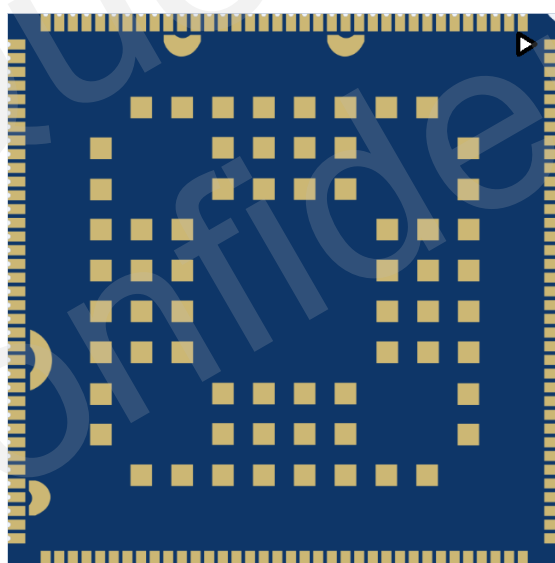


Figure 42: Bottom View of the Module

#### NOTE

These are design effect drawings of SC20 module. For more accurate pictures, please refer to the module that you get from Quectel.

# 9 Storage, Manufacturing and Packaging

## 9.1. Storage

SC20 is stored in a vacuum-sealed bag. The restrictions of storage condition are shown as below.

1. Shelf life in sealed bag is 12 months at  $< 40^{\circ}\text{C}/90\%\text{RH}$ .
2. After this bag is opened, devices that will be subjected to reflow soldering or other high temperature process must be:
  - Mounted within 72 hours at factory conditions of  $\leq 30^{\circ}\text{C}/60\%\text{RH}$ .
  - Stored at  $< 10\% \text{ RH}$ .
3. Devices require baking before mounting, if:
  - Humidity indicator card is  $> 10\%$  when ambient temperature is  $23^{\circ}\text{C}\pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
  - Mounting cannot be finished within 72 hours at factory conditions of  $\leq 30^{\circ}\text{C}/60\% \text{ RH}$ .
4. If baking is required, devices may be baked for 48 hours at  $125^{\circ}\text{C}\pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

### NOTE

As plastic package cannot be subjected to high temperatures, the package must be removed from devices before high temperature ( $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) baking. If shorter baking time is desired, please refer to IPC/JEDECJ-STD-033 for baking procedure.

## 9.2. Manufacturing and Welding

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. The force on the squeegee should be adjusted properly so as to produce a clean stencil surface on a single pass. To ensure the module soldering quality, the thickness of stencil at the hole of the module pads should be 0.18mm. For details, please refer to

document [4].

It is suggested that the peak reflow temperature is from 235 to 245°C (for SnAg3.0Cu0.5 alloy). The absolute maximum reflow temperature is 260°C. To avoid damage to the module caused by repeated heating, it is suggested that the module should be mounted after reflow soldering for the other side of PCB has been completed. Recommended reflow soldering thermal profile is shown below:

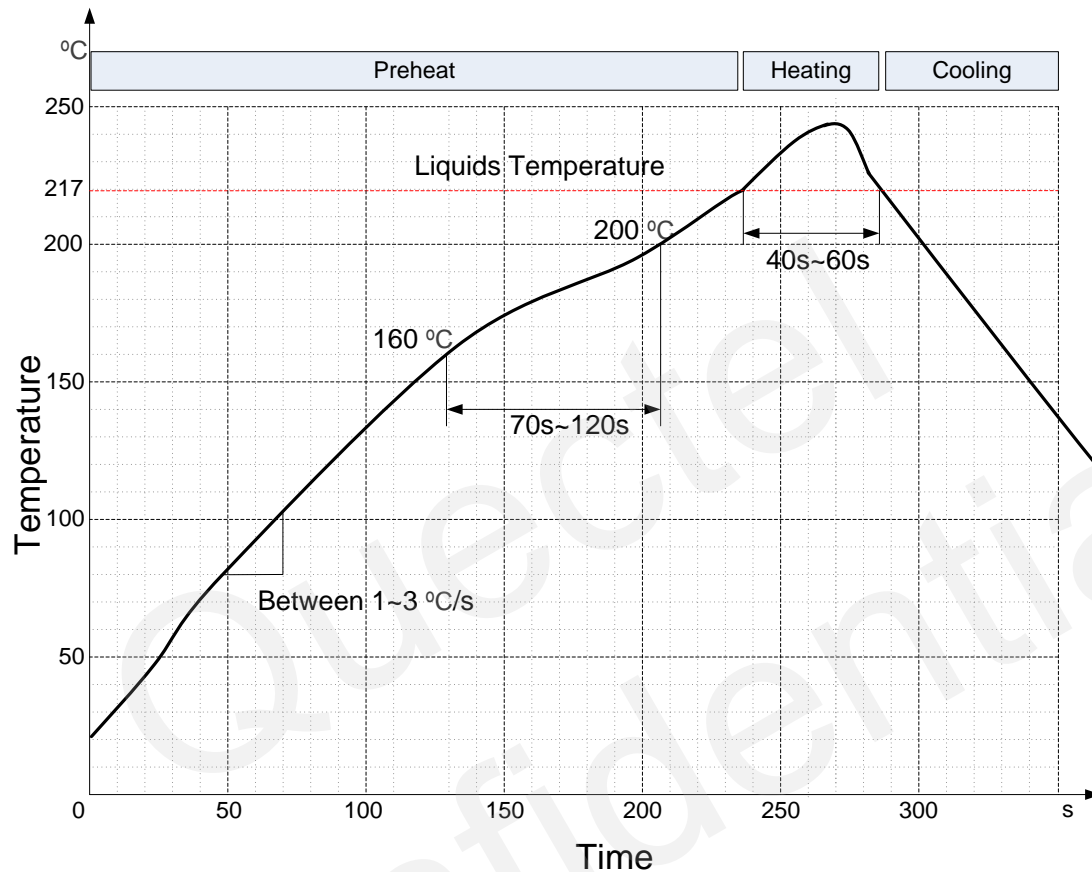


Figure 43: Reflow Soldering Thermal Profile

### 9.3. Packaging

SC20 is packaged in tape and reel carriers. One reel is 12.32 meters long and contains 200pcs modules. The following figures show the package details, measured in mm.

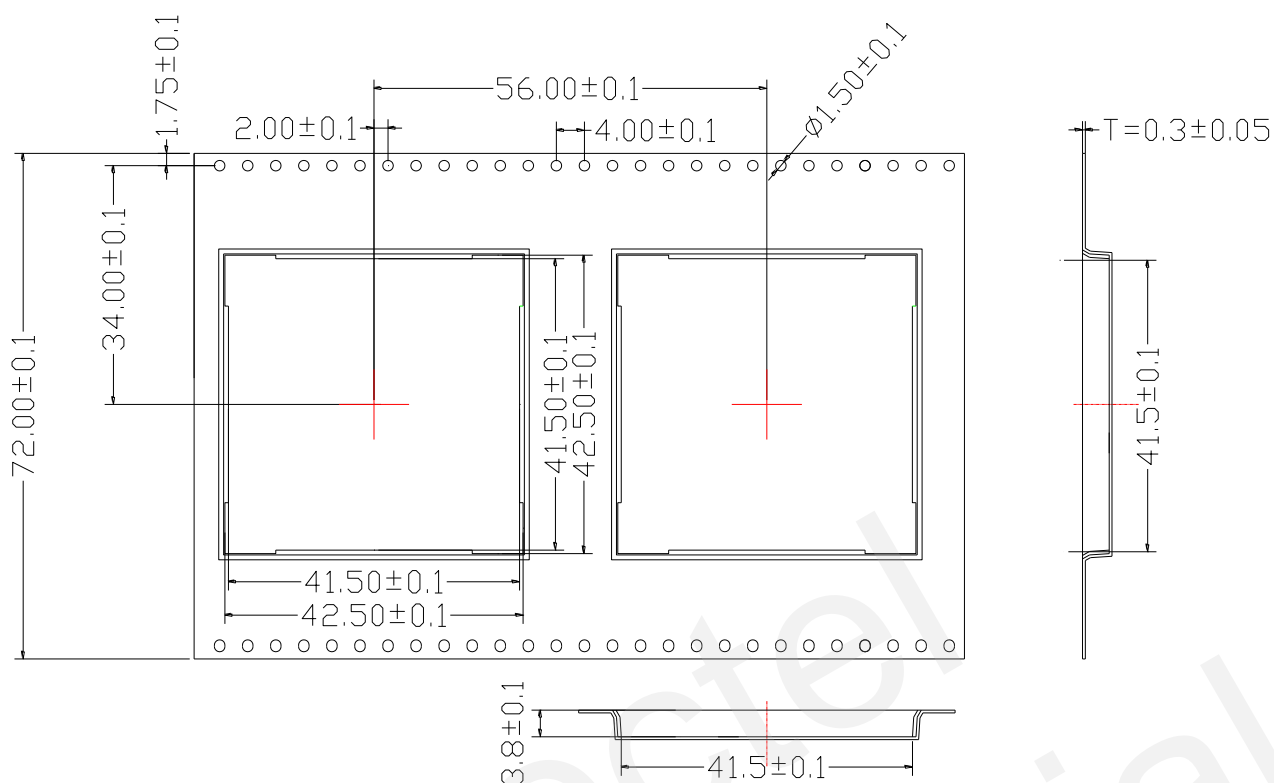


Figure 44: Tape Dimensions

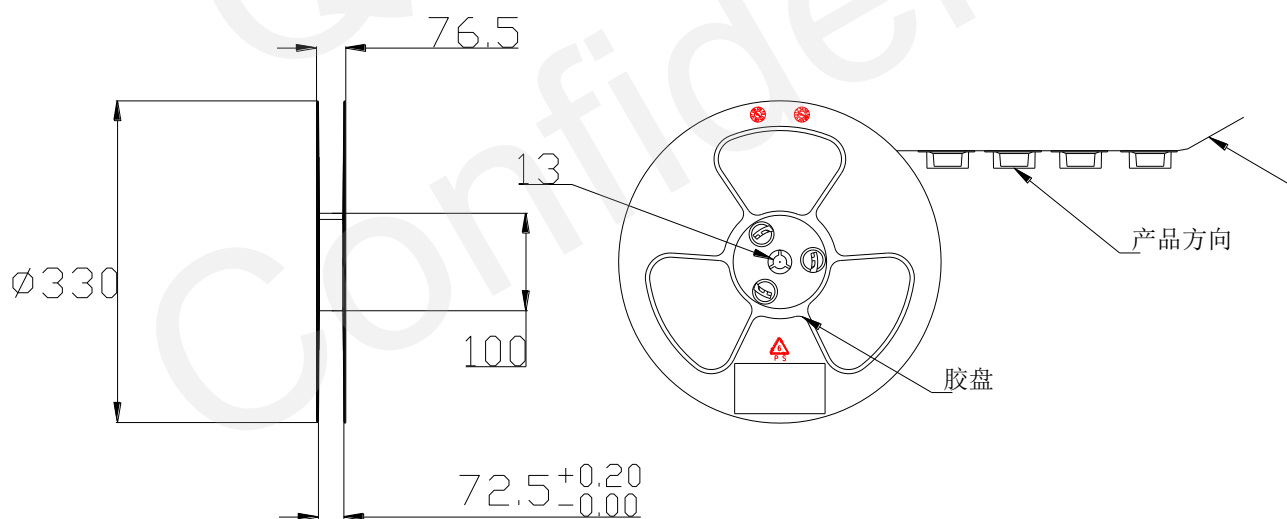


Figure 45: Reel Dimensions



**Table 43: Reel Packaging**

Model Name	MOQ for MP	Minimum Package: 200pcs	Minimum Package×4=800pcs
SC20	200	Size: 370mm*350mm*85mm N.W: 1.92kg G.W: 3.17kg	Size: 380mm*365mm*365mm N.W:7.68 kg G.W:13.63 kg

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# 10 Appendix A References

**Table 44: Related Documents**

SN	Document Name	Remark
[1]	Quectel_SC20_AT_Commands_Manual	SC20 AT Commands Manual
[2]	Quectel_Smart_EVB_User_Guide	Smart Module EVB User Guide
[3]	Quectel_SC20_Reference_Design	SC20 Reference Design
[4]	Quectel_Module_Secondary_SMT_User_Guide	Module Secondary SMT User Guide

**Table 45: Terms and Abbreviations**

Abbreviation	Description
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
AMR	Adaptive Multi-rate
ARP	Antenna Reference Point
bps	Bits Per Second
CHAP	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol
CS	Coding Scheme
CSD	Circuit Switched Data
CTS	Clear to Send
DRX	Discontinuous Reception
DCE	Data Communications Equipment (typically module)
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment (typically computer, external controller)

DTR	Data Terminal Ready
DTX	Discontinuous Transmission
EFR	Enhanced Full Rate
EGSM	Extended GSM900 band (includes standard GSM900 band)
eSCD	Enhanced Synchronous Connection Oriented
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
FR	Full Rate
FPC	Flexible Printed Circuit
GMSK	Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying
GPS	Global Positioning System
GSM	Global System for Mobile Communications
HR	Half Rate
HSPA	High Speed Packet Access
I/O	Input/Output
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
Imax	Maximum Load Current
Inorm	Normal Current
LED	Light Emitting Diode
LNA	Low Noise Amplifier
MO	Mobile Originated
MS	Mobile Station (GSM engine)
MT	Mobile Terminated
PAP	Password Authentication Protocol
PBCCH	Packet Broadcast Control Channel
PCB	Printed Circuit Board

PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PPP	Point-to-Point Protocol
PSK	Phase Shift Keying
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
QPSK	Quadrature Phase Shift Keying
RF	Radio Frequency
RHCP	Right Hand Circularly Polarized
RMS	Root Mean Square (value)
RTC	Real Time Clock
Rx	Receive
SDIO	Secure Digital Input and Output
SIM	Subscriber Identification Module
SMS	Short Message Service
TDMA	Time Division Multiple Access
TE	Terminal Equipment
TP	Touch Panel
TX	Transmitting Direction
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver & Transmitter
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
URC	Unsolicited Result Code
USIM	Universal Subscriber Identity Module
USSD	Unstructured Supplementary Service Data
Vmax	Maximum Voltage Value
Vnorm	Normal Voltage Value
Vmin	Minimum Voltage Value

$V_{IHmax}$	Maximum Input High Level Voltage Value
$V_{IHmin}$	Minimum Input High Level Voltage Value
$V_{ILmax}$	Maximum Input Low Level Voltage Value
$V_{ILmin}$	Minimum Input Low Level Voltage Value
$V_{Imax}$	Absolute Maximum Input Voltage Value
$V_{Imin}$	Absolute Minimum Input Voltage Value
$V_{OHmax}$	Maximum Output High Level Voltage Value
$V_{OHmin}$	Minimum Output High Level Voltage Value
$V_{OLmax}$	Maximum Output Low Level Voltage Value
$V_{OLmin}$	Minimum Output Low Level Voltage Value
VSWR	Voltage Standing Wave Ratio
WCDMA	Wideband Code Division Multiple Access

# 11 Appendix B GPRS Coding Schemes

Table 46: Description of Different Coding Schemes

Scheme	CS-1	CS-2	CS-3	C4-4
Code Rate	1/2	2/3	3/4	1
USF	3	3	3	3
Pre-coded USF	3	6	6	12
Radio Block excl.USF and BCS	181	268	312	428
BCS	40	16	16	16
Tail	4	4	4	-
Coded Bits	456	588	676	456
Punctured Bits	0	132	220	-
Data Rate Kb/s	9.05	13.4	15.6	21.4

# 12 Appendix C GPRS Multi-slot Classes

Twenty-nine classes of GPRS multi-slot modes are defined for MS in GPRS specification. Multi-slot classes are product dependent, and determine the maximum achievable data rates in both the uplink and downlink directions. Written as 3+1 or 2+2, the first number indicates the amount of downlink timeslots, while the second number indicates the amount of uplink timeslots. The active slots determine the total number of slots the GPRS device can use simultaneously for both uplink and downlink communications.

The description of different multi-slot classes is shown in the following table.

**Table 47: GPRS Multi-slot Classes**

Multislot Class	Downlink Slots	Uplink Slots	Active Slots
1	1	1	2
2	2	1	3
3	2	2	3
4	3	1	4
5	2	2	4
6	3	2	4
7	3	3	4
8	4	1	5
9	3	2	5
10	4	2	5
11	4	3	5
12	4	4	5

# 13 Appendix D EDGE Modulation and Coding Schemes

Table 48: EDGE Modulation and Coding Schemes

Coding Scheme	Modulation	Coding Family	1 Timeslot	2 Timeslot	4 Timeslot
CS-1	GMSK	/	9.05kbps	18.1kbps	36.2kbps
CS-2	GMSK	/	13.4kbps	26.8kbps	53.6kbps
CS-3	GMSK	/	15.6kbps	31.2kbps	62.4kbps
CS-4	GMSK	/	21.4kbps	42.8kbps	85.6kbps
MCS-1	GMSK	C	8.80kbps	17.60kbps	35.20kbps
MCS-2	GMSK	B	11.2kbps	22.4kbps	44.8kbps
MCS-3	GMSK	A	14.8kbps	29.6kbps	59.2kbps
MCS-4	GMSK	C	17.6kbps	35.2kbps	70.4kbps
MCS-5	8-PSK	B	22.4kbps	44.8kbps	89.6kbps
MCS-6	8-PSK	A	29.6kbps	59.2kbps	118.4kbps
MCS-7	8-PSK	B	44.8kbps	89.6kbps	179.2kbps
MCS-8	8-PSK	A	54.4kbps	108.8kbps	217.6kbps
MCS-9	8-PSK	A	59.2kbps	118.4kbps	236.8kbps