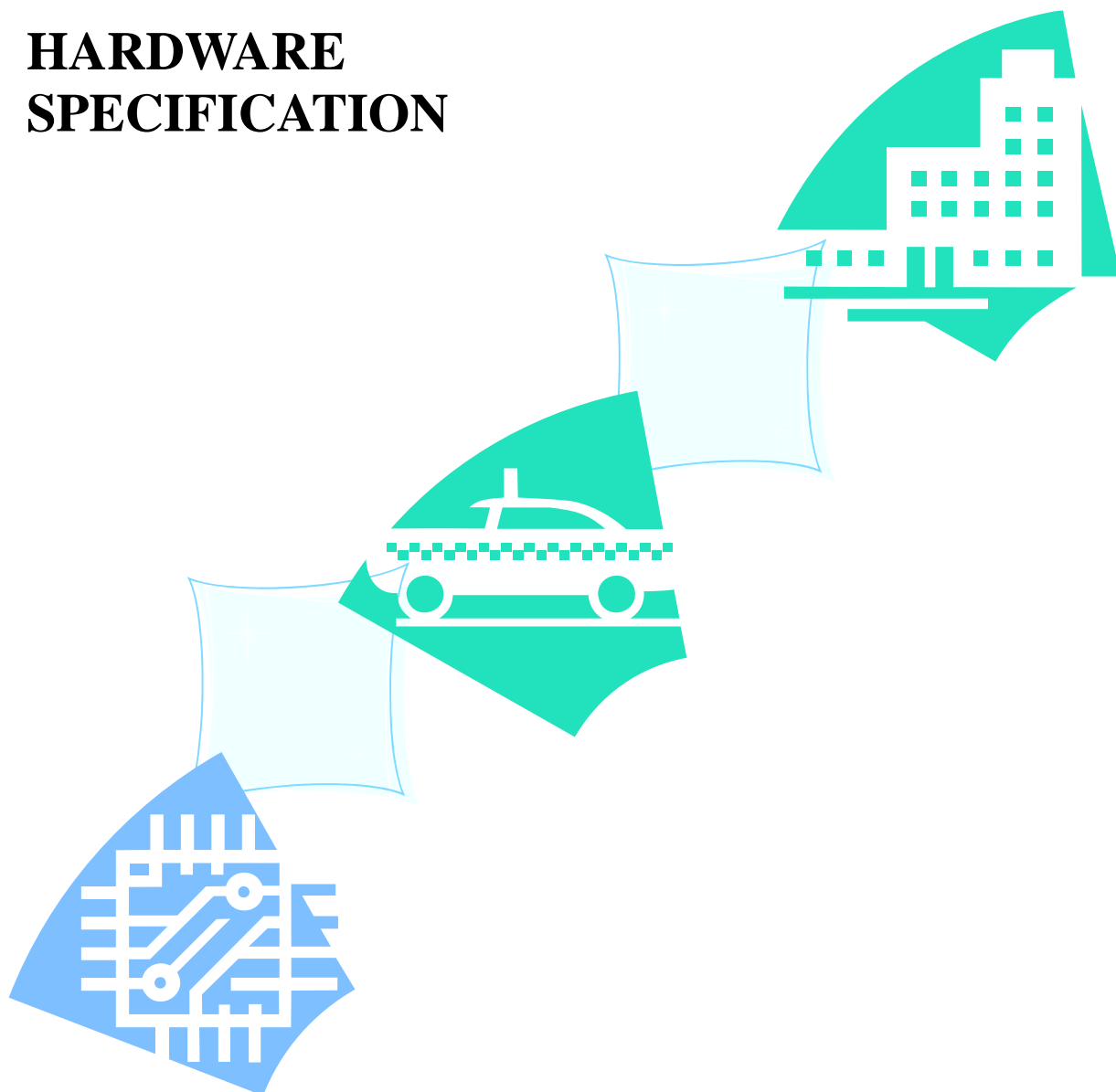


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1 Introduction

This document describes the hardware interface of the SIMCOM SIM508 module that connects to the specific application and the air interface. As SIM508 can be integrated with a wide range of applications, all functional components of SIM508 are described in great detail.

This document can help you quickly understand SIM508 interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details. With the help of this document and other SIM508 application notes, user guide, You can use SIM508 module to design and set-up mobile applications quickly.

1.1 Related documents

Table 1: Related documents

SN	Document name	Remark
[1]	SIM508_ATC_V01.00	SIM508_ATC_V01.00
[2]	ITU-T Draft new recommendation V.25ter:	Serial asynchronous automatic dialing and control
[3]	GSM 07.07:	Digital cellular telecommunications (Phase 2+); AT command set for GSM Mobile Equipment (ME)
[4]	GSM 07.05:	Digital cellular telecommunications (Phase 2+); Use of Data Terminal Equipment – Data Circuit terminating Equipment (DTE – DCE) interface for Short Message Service (SMS) and Cell Broadcast Service (CBS)
[5]	GSM 11.14:	Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2+); Specification of the SIM Application Toolkit for the Subscriber Identity Module – Mobile Equipment (SIM – ME) interface
[6]	GSM 11.11:	Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2+); Specification of the Subscriber Identity Module – Mobile Equipment (SIM – ME) interface
[7]	GSM 03.38:	Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2+); Alphabets and language-specific information
[8]	GSM 11.10	Digital cellular telecommunications system (Phase 2) ; Mobile Station (MS) conformance specification; Part 1: Conformance specification

1.2 Terms and abbreviations

Table 2: Terms and abbreviations

GSM PART	
Abbreviation	Description
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
ARP	Antenna Reference Point
ASIC	Application Specific Integrated Circuit
BER	Bit Error Rate
BTS	Base Transceiver Station
CHAP	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol
CS	Coding Scheme
CSD	Circuit Switched Data
CTS	Clear to Send
DAC	Digital-to-Analog Converter
DRX	Discontinuous Reception
DSP	Digital Signal Processor
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment (typically computer, terminal, printer)
DTR	Data Terminal Ready
DTX	Discontinuous Transmission
EFR	Enhanced Full Rate
EGSM	Enhanced GSM
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
ETS	European Telecommunication Standard
FCC	Federal Communications Commission (U.S.)
FDMA	Frequency Division Multiple Access
FR	Full Rate
GMSK	Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying
GPRS	General Packet Radio Service
GSM	Global Standard for Mobile Communications
HR	Half Rate
I/O	Input/Output
IC	Integrated Circuit
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
kbps	Kilo bits per second
LED	Light Emitting Diode
Li-Ion	Lithium-Ion

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Abbreviation	Description
MO	Mobile Originated
MS	Mobile Station (GSM engine), also referred to as TE
MT	Mobile Terminated
PAP	Password Authentication Protocol
PBCCH	Packet Switched Broadcast Control Channel
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PCS	Personal Communication System, also referred to as GSM 1900
PDU	Protocol Data Unit
PPP	Point-to-point protocol
RF	Radio Frequency
RMS	Root Mean Square (value)
RP	Receive Protocol
RTC	Real Time Clock
Rx	Receive Direction
SA	Selective Availability
SAR	Specific Absorption Rate
SIM	Subscriber Identification Module
SMS	Short Message Service
TDMA	Time Division Multiple Access
TE	Terminal Equipment, also referred to as DTE
TX	Transmit Direction
URC	Unsolicited Result Code
USSD	Unstructured Supplementary Service Data
VSWR	Voltage Standing Wave Ratio
<i>Phonebook abbreviations</i>	
FD	SIM fix dialing phonebook
LD	SIM last dialing phonebook (list of numbers most recently dialed)
MC	Mobile Equipment list of unanswered MT calls (missed calls)
ME	Mobile Equipment phonebook
RC	Mobile Equipment list of received calls
SM	SIM phonebook
DC	ME dialed calls list(+CPBW may not be applicable or this storage)(same as LD)
LA	Last Number All list (LND/LNM/LNR)
ON	SIM (or ME) own numbers (MSISDNs) list
SD	SIM service dial number
VM	SIM voice mailbox
BN	SIM barred dialed number

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GPS PART	
Abbreviation	Description
ATP	Adaptive Trickle Power mode.
DGPS	Differential GPS
GGA	GPS Fixed Data
GPS	Global Positioning System
LNA	LNA Low Noise Amplifier
RTCM	Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services

2 Product concept

Designed for global market, SIM508 is a Tri-band or Quad-band GSM/GPRS engine that works on frequencies GSM 850 MHz, GSM 900 MHz, DCS 1800 MHz and PCS1900 MHz and supports also GPS technology for satellite navigation. SIM508 provides GPRS multi-slot class 10 capability and supports the GPRS coding schemes CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 and CS-4.

With a tiny configuration of 55mm x 34mm x 2.9 mm, SIM508 can fit almost all the space requirement in your application, such as Smart phone, PDA phone ,GPS hand-held device and other mobile device, or applications of AVL (Automated Vehicle Location), location service and so on.

The physical interface to the mobile application is made through a 80 pins board-to-board connector, which provides all hardware interfaces between the module and customers' boards except the RF antenna interface.

- The keypad and SPI LCD interface will give you the flexibility to develop customized applications.
- Two serial GSM ports and Two serial GPS pots can help you easily develop your applications.
- Two audio channels include two microphones inputs and two speaker outputs. This can be easily configured by AT command.

With the charge circuit integrated inside the SIM508, it is very suitable for the battery power application.

SIM508 provide GSM RF antenna interface with two alternatives: antenna connector and antenna pad. The antenna connector is MURATA MM9329-2700. And customer's antenna can be soldered to the antenna pad. A separate GPS antenna must be connected to the GPS part of the module in order to properly receive satellite data.

The SIM508 is designed with power saving technique, the current consumption of GSM part maintains as low as 3mA in SLEEP mode.

The SIM508 is integrated with the TCP/IP protocol, Extended TCP/IP AT commands are developed for customers to use the TCP/IP protocol easily, which is very useful for those data transfer applications.

2.1 SIM508 key features at a glance

Table 3: SIM508 key features

Feature	Implementation
Power supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GSM part: Supply voltage 3.4V – 4.5V ● GPS part: Separate power supply source: 3.3V ± 5%
Power saving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GSM part: Typical power consumption in SLEEP mode to 3mA ● GPS part: Trickle Power™ / Push-to-Fix mode (configured by especially software version)
Charging	Supports charging control for Li-Ion battery
Frequency bands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SIM508 Quad-band: GSM 850, GSM 900, DCS 1800, PCS 1900. The band can be set by AT COMMAND, and default band is EGSM 900 and DCS 1800. ● Compliant to GSM Phase 2/2+
GSM class	Small MS
Transmit power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Class 4 (2W) at EGSM900 and GSM850 ● Class 1 (1W) at DCS1800 and PCS 1900
GPRS connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GPRS multi-slot class 10 ● GPRS mobile station class B
GPS features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GPS receiver with SiRFstar III GSC3f chip set ● Processor type ARM7/TDMI ● Software version: SiRF GSW3
Temperature range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Normal operation: -20°C to +55°C ● Restricted operation: -25°C to -20°C and +55°C to +75°C ● Storage temperature -40°C to +80°C
DATA GPRS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GPRS data downlink transfer: max. 85.6 kbps ● GPRS data uplink transfer: max. 42.8 kbps ● Coding scheme: CS-1, CS-2, CS-3 and CS-4 ● SIM508 supports the protocols PAP (Password Authentication Protocol) usually used for PPP connections. ● The SIM508 integrates the TCP/IP protocol. ● Support Packet Switched Broadcast Control Channel (PBCCH)
CSD:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CSD transmission rates: 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 14.4 kbps, non-transparent ● Unstructured Supplementary Services Data (USSD) support
SMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MT, MO, CB, Text and PDU mode ● SMS storage: SIM card ● Support transmission of SMS alternatively over CSD or GPRS. User can choose preferred mode.
FAX	Group 3 Class 1
SIM interface	Supported SIM card: 1.8V ,3V
External antenna	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GSM part: Connected via 50 Ohm antenna connector or antenna

	pad <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GPS part: Separate GPS antenna connector. See Figure 27 for details
Audio features	Speech codec modes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Half Rate (ETS 06.20) ● Full Rate (ETS 06.10) ● Enhanced Full Rate (ETS 06.50 / 06.60 / 06.80) ● Echo cancellation
Two serial GSM interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Serial Port 1 Seven lines on Serial Port Interface ● Serial Port 1 can be used for CSD FAX, GPRS service and send AT command of controlling module. ● Serial Port 1 can use multiplexing function, but you can not use the Serial Port 2 at the same time; ● Serial port 2 Two lines on Serial Port Interface /TXD and /RXD ● Serial Port 2 only used for transmitting AT command.
Two serial GPS interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Serial Port A: Two lines on Serial Port A, GPS_TXA and GPS_RXA ● Serial Port B: Two lines on Serial Port B, GPS_TXB and GPS_RXB
Phonebook management	Supported phonebook types: SM, FD, LD, MC, RC, ON, ME,BN,VM,LA,DC,SD
SIM Application Toolkit	Supports SAT class 3, GSM 11.14 Release 98
Real time clock	Implemented
Timer function	Programmable via AT command
Physical characteristics	Size: 55±0.15 x 34±0.15 x 3.3±0.3 mm (including application connector) 55±0.15 x 34±0.15 x 2.9±0.3 mm (excluding application connector) Weight: 11g
Firmware upgrade	Firmware upgradeable over serial interface

Table 4: Coding schemes and maximum net data rates over air interface

Coding scheme	1 Timeslot	2 Timeslot	4 Timeslot
CS-1:	9.05kbps	18.1kbps	36.2kbps
CS-2:	13.4kbps	26.8kbps	53.6kbps
CS-3:	15.6kbps	31.2kbps	62.4kbps
CS-4:	21.4kbps	42.8kbps	85.6kbps

3 GSM Application Interface

All hardware interfaces except RF interface that connects SIM508 to the customers' cellular application platform is through a 80-pin 0.5mm pitch board-to-board connector. Sub-interfaces included in this board-to-board connector are described in detail in following chapters:

- Power supply and charging control ([see Chapters 3.3 and 3.5](#))
- Dual serial interface ([see Chapter 3.9](#))
- Two analog audio interfaces ([see Chapter 3.10](#))
- SIM interface ([see Chapter 3.11](#))

Electrical and mechanical characteristics of the board-to-board connector are specified in *Chapter 6*. There we also ordering information for mating connectors.

3.1 Pin description

Table 5: Board-to-Board Connector pin description

Power Supply			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
VBAT		Five BAT pins of the board-to-board connector are dedicated to connect the supply voltage. The power supply of the GSM part of SIM508 has to be a single voltage source of VBAT= 3.4V...4.5V. It must be able to provide sufficient current in a transmit burst which typically rises to 2A. mostly, these 5 pins are voltage input	Vmax= 4.5V Vmin=3.4V Vnorm=4.0V
BACKUP	I/O	Current input for RTC when the battery is not supplied for the system. Current output for backup battery when the main battery is present and the backup battery in low voltage state.	Vmax=2.0V Vmin=1.2V Vnorm=1.8V Inorm= 20uA
CHG_IN	I	Voltage input for the charge circuit; making the system detect the charger.	Vmax=5.25V Vmin=1.1 * VBAT Vnorm=5.1V
GND		Digital ground	

Power on or power off			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
PWRKEY	I	Voltage input for power on key. PWRKEY get a low level Voltage for user to power on or power off the system, The user should keep pressing the key for a moment when power on or power off the system. Because the system need margin time assert the software.	VILmax=0.3*VBAT VIHmin=0.7*VBAT VImax=VBAT
Audio interface			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
MIC1P MIC1N	I	Positive and negative voice-band input	Audio DC Characteristics refer to chapter 3.9.4
MIC2P MIC2N	I	Auxiliary positive and negative voice-band input	
SPK1P SPK1N	O	Positive and negative voice-band output	
SPK2P SPK2N	O	Auxiliary positive and negative voice-band output	
BUZZER	O	Buzzer Output	
AGND		Analog ground	
Display interface			
DISP_D0	I/O	Display data line	VILmin=0V
DISP_CLK	O	Display clock output	VILmax=0.9
DISP_A0	O	Display data or address select	VIHmin=2.0
DISP_EN	O	Display enable output	VIHmax= 3.2
NLCDRESET	O	Display reset outplay	VOLmin=GND VOLmax=0.2V VOHmin=2.7 VOHmax=2.9
Keypad interface			
KCOL0~KCOL4	O	Keypad array interface	VILmin=0V
KROW0~KROW4	I		VILmax=0.9 VIHmin=2.0 VIHmax= 3.2 VOLmin=GND VOLmax=0.2V VOHmin=2.7 VOHmax=2.9
GERNERAL PURPOSE input/output			

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PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
NETLIGHT	O	GSM net indicator	VILmin=0V
STATUS	O	Another indication for system on/off	VILmax=0.9
GPIO5	I/O	General purpose Input/Output port	VIHmin=2.0
GPIO32	I/O	General purpose Input/Output port	VIHmax= 3.2
			VOLmin=GND
			VOLmax=0.2V
			VOHmin=2.7
			VOHmax=2.9
Serial 1 interface			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
DTR	I	Data Terminal Ready	VILmin=0V
RXD	I	Receive Data	VILmax=0.9
TXD	O	Transmit Data	VIHmin=2.0
RTS	I	Request to Send	VIHmax= 3.2
CTS	O	Clear to Send	VOLmin=GND
RI	O	Ring Indicator	VOLmax=0.2V
DCD	O	Data Carrier detection	VOHmin=2.7
			VOHmax=2.9
Serial 2 interface			
DEBUG_TX	O	Serial interface for debugging and communication by AT command	
DEBUG_RX	I		
SIM interface			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
VSIM	O	Voltage Supply for SIM card	The voltage can be select by software either 1.8v or 2.8V
SIM_DATA	I/O	SIM Data Output	VILmin=0V
SIM_CLOCK	O	SIM Clock	VILmax=0.3* VSIM
SIM_PRESENCE	I	SIM Card Detection	VIHmin=0.7* VSIM
SIM_RESET	O	SIM Reset	VIHmax= VSIM +0.3
			VOLmin=GND
			VOLmax=0.2V
			VOHmin= VSIM -0.2
			VOHmax= VSIM
AUXADC			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	DC CHARACTERISTICS
AUXADC1	I	General purpose analog to digital converter.	Input voltage value scope 0V to 2.4V
TEMP_BAT	I	For measure the battery temperature	

3.2 Operating modes

The following table summarizes the various operating modes, each operating modes is referred to in the following chapters.

Table 6: Overview of operating modes

Mode	Function	
Normal operation	GSM/GPRS SLEEP	Module will automatically go into SLEEP mode if DTR is set to high level and there is no on air or audio activity is required and no hardware interrupt (such as GPIO interrupt or data on serial port). In this case, the current consumption of module will reduce to the minimal level. During sleep mode, the module can still receive paging message and SMS from the system normally.
	GSM IDLE	Software is active. Module has registered to the GSM network, and the module is ready to send and receive.
	GSM TALK	CSD connection is going on between two subscribers. In this case, the power consumption depends on network settings such as DTX off/on, FR/EFR/HR, hopping sequences, antenna.
	GPRS IDLE	Module is ready for GPRS data transfer, but no data is currently sent or received. In this case, power consumption depends on network settings and GPRS configuration (e.g. multi-slot settings).
	GPRS DATA	There is GPRS data in transfer (PPP or TCP or UDP). In this case, power consumption is related with network settings (e.g. power control level), uplink / downlink data rates and GPRS configuration (e.g. used multi-slot settings).
POWER DOWN	Normal shutdown by sending the “AT+CPOWD” command or using the PERKEY. The power management ASIC disconnects the power supply from the base band part of the module, only the power supply for the RTC is remained. Software is not active. The serial interfaces are not accessible. Operating voltage (connected to VBAT) remains applied.	
Minimum functionality mode (without remove power supply)	Use the “AT+CFUN” command can set the module to a minimum functionality mode without remove the power supply. In this case, the RF part of the module will not work or the SIM card is not accessible, or RF part and SIM card be closed all, the serial interfaces is still accessible. The power consumption in this case is very low.	

Alarm mode	RTC alert function launches this restricted operation while the module is in POWER DOWN mode. SIM508 will not be registered to GSM network and only parts of AT commands can be available.
GHOST Mode (Charge-only mode)	GHOST mode means off and charging mode. In this mode, the module can not be registered to GSM network and only limited AT commands can be accessible, the following way will launch GHOST mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From POWER DOWN mode: Connect charger to the module's CHG_IN pin and VBAT pin while SIM508 is power down. ● From Normal mode: Connect charger to the module's CHG_IN pin and VBAT pin, then power down the module by "AT+CPOWD"
Charge mode during normal operation	Start charging while the module is in normal mode including: SLEEP, IDLE, TALK, GPRS IDLE and GPRS DATA)

3.3 Power supply

The power supply of SIM508 is from a single voltage source of VBAT= 3.4V...4.5V. In some case, the ripple in a transmit burst may cause voltage drops when current consumption rises to typical peaks of 2A, So the power supply must be able to provide sufficient current up to 2A.

For the VBAT input, a local bypass capacitor is recommended. A capacitor (about 100μF, low ESR) is recommended. Multi-layer ceramic chip (MLCC) capacitors can provide the best combination of low ESR and small size but may not be cost effective. A lower cost choice may be a 100 μF tantalum capacitor (low ESR) with a small (1 μF to 2 μF) ceramic in parallel, which is illustrated as figure1. And the capacitors should put as closer as possible to the SIM508 VBAT pins.

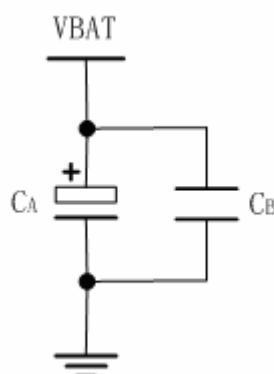


Figure 1: VBAT input

The following figure is the VBAT voltage ripple wave at the maximum power transmit phase, the test condition is VBAT=4.0V, VBAT maximum output current =2A, $C_A=100\ \mu\text{F}$ tantalum capacitor (ESR=0.7 Ω) and $C_B=4.7\ \mu\text{F}$.



Figure 2: VBAT ripple wave at the maximum power transmit phase

3.3.1 Power supply pins on the board-to-board connector

Five VBAT pins of the board-to-board connector are dedicated to connect the supply voltage. The CHG_IN pin serves as control signal for charging a Li-Ion battery. BACKUP can be used to back up the RTC.

3.3.2 Minimizing power losses

Please pay special attention to the supply power when you are designing your applications. Please make sure that the input voltage will never drops below 3.4V even in a transmit burst during which the current consumption may rise up to 2A. If the power voltage drops below 3.4V, the module may be switched off. Using the board-to-board connector will be the best way to reduce the voltage drops. You should also take the resistance of the power supply lines on the host board or of battery pack into account.

3.3.3 Monitoring power supply

To monitor the supply voltage, you can use the “AT+CBC” command which include three parameters: charge state, voltage percent and voltage value (in mV). It returns charge state, the battery voltage 1-100 percent of capacity and actual value measured at VBAT and GND.

The voltage is continuously measured at intervals depending on the operating mode. The displayed voltage (in mV) is averaged over the last measuring period before the AT+CBC command was executed.

For details please refer to *document [1]*

3.4 Power up down scenarios

3.4.1 Turn on the GSM part of SIM508

The GSM part of SIM508 can be turned on by various ways, which are described in following chapters:

- Via PWRKEY pin: starts normal operating mode ([see chapter 3.4.1.1](#));
- Via CHG_IN pin: starts GHOST modes ([see chapter 3.4.1.2](#));
- Via RTC interrupt: starts ALARM modes ([see chapter 3.4.1.3](#))

Note: Only enter AT command through serial port after the GSM part of SIM508 is power on and Unsolicited Result Code “RDY” is received from serial port.

3.4.1.1 Turn on the GSM part of SIM508 using the PWRKEY pin (Power on)

You can turn on the GSM part of SIM508 by driving the PWRKEY to a low level voltage for period time. The power on scenarios illustrate as the following figure.

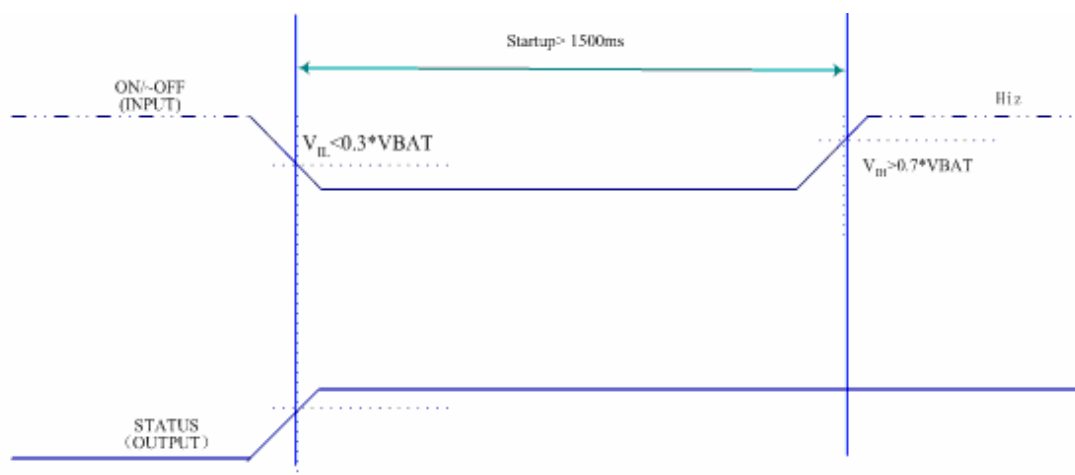


Figure 3: Timing of turn on system

When power on procedure complete, the GSM part of SIM508 will send out following result code to indicate the module is ready to operate:

RDY

3.4.1.2 Turn on the GSM part of SIM508 using the CHG_IN signal

As described in chapter 3.5, charger can be connected to the GSM part of SIM508's CHG_IN pin regardless of the module's operating mode.

If the charger is connected to the module's CHG_IN pin while the GSM part of SIM508 is in POWER DOWN mode, it will go into the GHOST mode (Off and charging). In this mode, the module will not register to network, and only a few AT commands can work in this mode. For detailed information please refers to chapter 3.5.4.

When module is powered on using the CHG_IN signal, the GSM part of SIM508 sends out result code as following:

RDY

GHOST MODE

In GHOST mode, by driving the PWRKEY to a low level voltage for period time (Please refer to the power on scenarios in 3.4.1.1), the GSM part of SIM508 will power up and go into charge mode (charging in normal mode), all operation and AT commands can be available. In this case, the GSM part of SIM508 will send out result code as following:

From GHOST MODE to NORMAL MODE

3.4.1.3 Turn on the GSM part of SIM508 using the RTC (Alarm mode)

Alarm mode is a power-on approach by using the RTC. The alert function of RTC makes the GSM part of SIM508 wake up while the module is power off. In alarm mode, the GSM part of SIM508 will not register to GSM network and the software protocol stack is close. Thus the parts of AT commands related with SIM card and Protocol stack will not accessible, and the others can be used as well as in normal mode.

Use the AT+CALARM command to set the alarm time. The RTC remains the alarm time if the GSM part of SIM508 was power down by "AT+CPOWD" or by PWRKEY pin. Once the alarm time expires and executed, the GSM part of SIM508 goes into the Alarm mode. In this case, the GSM part of SIM508 will send out an Unsolicited Result Code (URC):

RDY

ALARM MODE

During Alarm mode, using AT+CFUN command to query the status of software protocol stack; it will return 0 which indicates that the protocol stack is closed. Then after 90S, the GSM part of SIM508 will power down automatically. However, during Alarm mode, if the software protocol is

started by AT+CFUN=1 command, the process of automatic power down will not available. In ALARM mode, driving the PWRKEY to a low level voltage for a period will cause the GSM part of SIM508 to power down (Please refer to the power down scenarios in 3.4.2.1).

The table follow briefly summarizes the AT commands that are used usually during alarm mode, for details of the instructions refer to *document [1]*:

Table 7: AT commands used in Alarm mode

AT command	USE
AT+CALARM	Set alarm time
AT+CCLK	Set data and time of RTC
AT+CPOWD	Power down
AT+CFUN	Start or close the protocol stack

3.4.2 Turn off the GSM part of SIM508

Following procedure can be used to turn off the GSM part of SIM508:

- Normal power down procedure: Turn off the GSM part of SIM508 using the PWRKEY pin ([see chapter 3.4.2.1](#))
- Normal power down procedure: Turn off the GSM part of SIM508 using AT command ([see chapter 3.4.2.2](#))
- Automatic shutdown: Takes effect if under voltage is detected ([see chapter 3.4.2.3](#))

3.4.2.1 Turn off the GSM part of SIM508 using the PWRKEY pin (Power down)

You can turn off the GSM part of SIM508 by driving the PWRKEY to a low level voltage for period time. The power down scenarios illustrate as Figure4.

This procedure will let the module to log off from the network and allow the software to enter into a secure state and save data before completely disconnect the power supply.

Before the completion of the switching off procedure the module will send out result code:

NORMAL POWER DOWN

After this moment, no any AT commands can be executed. Module enters the POWER DOWN mode, only the RTC is still active. POWER DOWN can also be indicated by STATUS pin, which is a low level voltage in this mode.

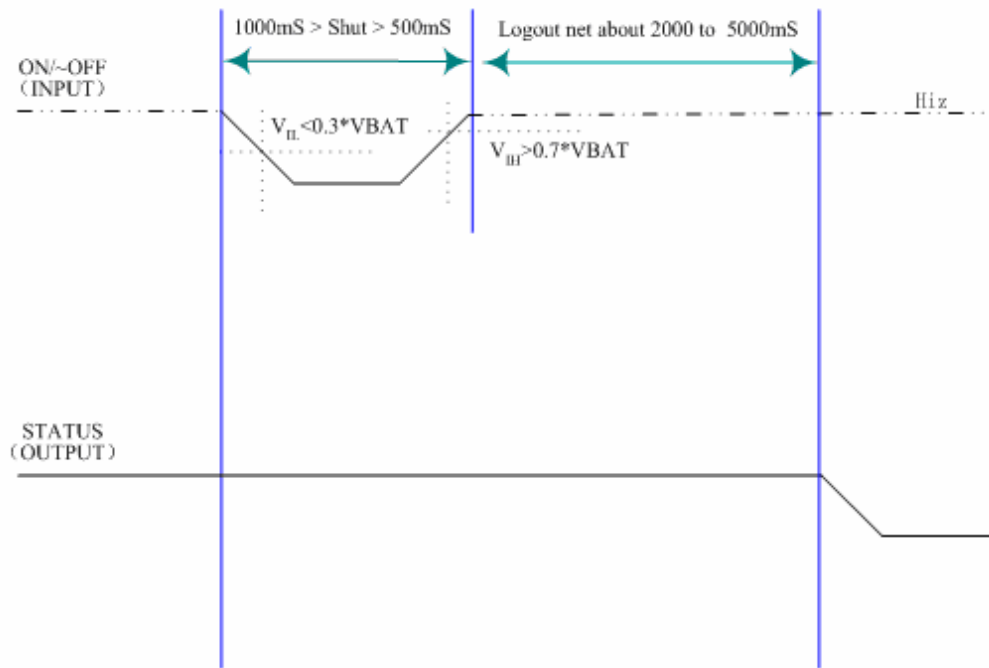


Figure 4: Timing of turn off system

3.4.2.2 Turn off the GSM part of SIM508 using AT command

You can use an AT command “AT+CPOWD” to turn off the module. This command will let the module to log off from the network and allow the software to enter into a secure state and save data before completely disconnect the power supply.

Before switching off, the module will send out result code:

POWER DOWN

After this moment, no any AT commands can be executed. Module enters the POWER DOWN mode, only the RTC is still active. POWER DOWN can also be indicated by STATUS pin, which is a low level voltage in this mode.

Please refer to *document [1]* for detail about the AT command of “AT+CPOWD”.

3.4.2.3 Automatic shutdown

Software will constantly monitors the voltage applied on the VBAT, if the measured battery voltage is no more than 3.5V, the module will send out result code:

POWER LOW WARNING

If the measured battery voltage is no more than 3.4V, the following URC will be presented:

POWER LOW DOWN

After this moment, no further more AT commands can be executed. The module will log off from network and enters POWER DOWN mode, only the RTC is still active. POWER DOWN can also be indicated by STATUS pin, which is a low level voltage in this mode.

3.4.3 Restart the GSM part of SIM508 using the PWRKEY pin

You can restart the GSM part of SIM508 by driving the PWRKEY to a low level voltage for period time, as the same as to turn on using the PWRKEY pin. Before the restarting, it requests to delay at least 500ms from the detection of a low level. voltage on the STATUS pin. The restart scenarios illustrate as following figure.

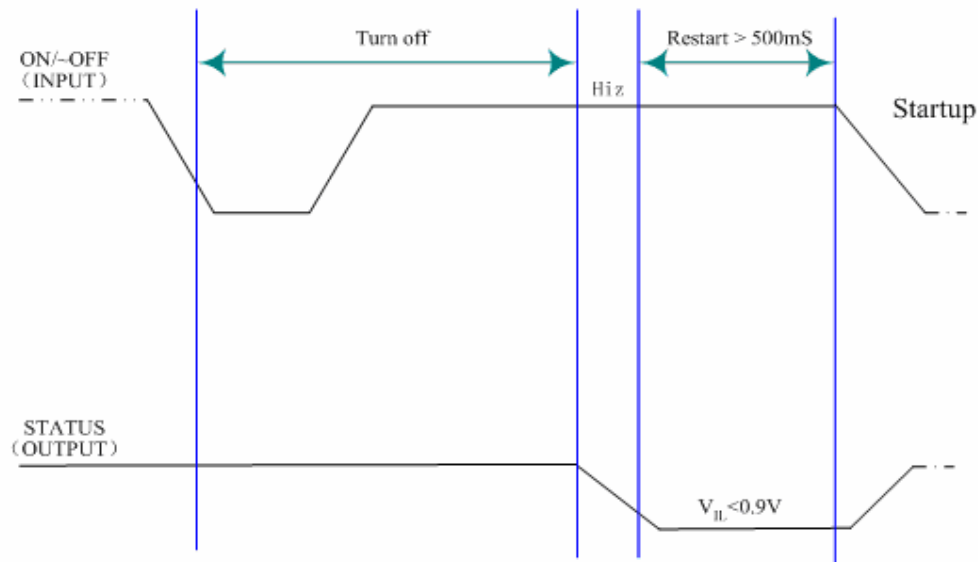


Figure 5: Timing of restart system

3.5 Charging interface

The GSM part of SIM508 has integrated a charging circuit inside the module for Li-Ion batteries charging control, which make it very convenient for applications to manage their battery charging. A common connection is shown in the following figure:

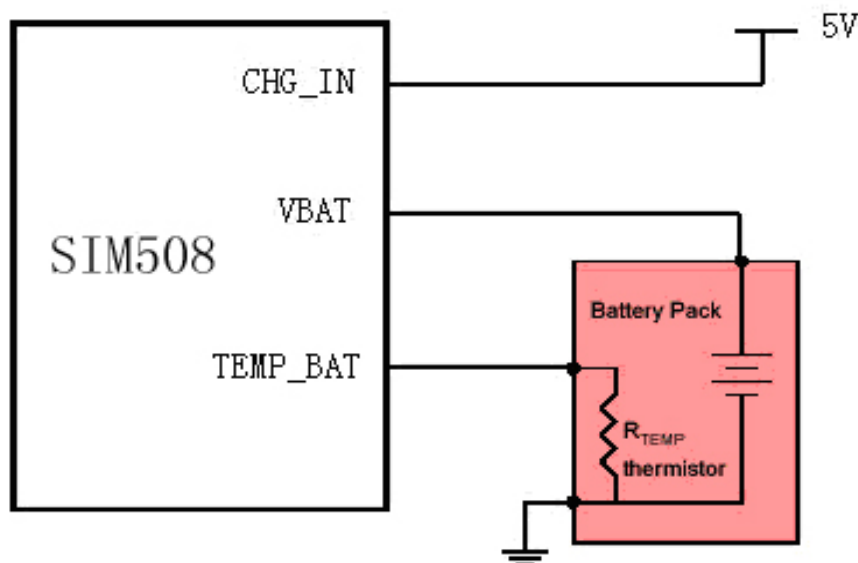


Figure 6 : Battery charger and pack

3.5.1 Battery pack characteristics

The GSM part of SIM508 has optimized the charging algorithm for the Li-Ion battery that meets the characteristics listed below. To use the GSM part of SIM508's charging algorithm properly, it is recommended that the battery pack you integrated into your application is compliant with these specifications. The battery pack compliant with these specifications is also important for the AT command "AT+CBC" to monitor the voltage of battery, or the "AT+CBC" may return incorrect battery capacity values.

- The maximum charging voltage of the Li-Ion battery pack is 4.2V and the capacity is 580mAh. Battery packs with a capacity down to 580 mAh or more than 580 mAh are allowed, too.
- The pack should have a protection circuit to avoid overcharging, deep discharging and over-current. This circuit should be insensitive to pulsed current.
- On the GSM part of SIM508, the build-in circuit of the GSM part of SIM508's power management chipset monitors the supply voltage constantly. Once the Under-voltage is detected, the GSM part of SIM508 will power down automatically. Under-voltage thresholds are specific to the battery pack.
- The internal resistance of the battery and the protection circuit should be as low as possible. It is recommended not to exceed 200mΩ.
- The battery pack must be protected from reverse pole connection.

3.5.2 Recommended battery pack

Following is the spec of recommended battery pack:

Table 8: Spec of recommended battery pack

Product name & type	BYD, Li-Ion, 3.7V, 580mAh
To obtain more information Please contact :	BYD COMPANY LIMITED
Normal voltage	3.7V
Capacity	Minimum 580mAh
Charge Voltage	4.200±0.049V
Max Charge Current	1.5C
Charge Method	CC / CV (Constant Current / Constant Voltage)
Max Discharge Current	1.5C (for continuous discharging mode)
Discharge Cut-off Voltage	2.75V/ cell
Internal resistance	Initial ≤200mΩ After 400cycles ≤270mΩ

3.5.3 Implemented charging technique

The GSM part of SIM508 include the function for battery charging. There are three pins in the connector related with the battery charging function: CHG_IN, VBAT and BAT_TEMP pins. The CHG_IN pin is driven by an external voltage, system can use this pin to detect a charger supply and provide most charging current through the GSM part of SIM508 module to battery when charging is in fast charge state. The VBAT give out charging current from the GSM part of SIM508 module to external battery. BAT_TEMP pin is for user to measure the battery temperature. Just let this pin open if battery temperature measuring is not your concern.

So it is very simple to implement charging technique, you need only connect the charger to the CHG_IN pin and connect the battery to the VBAT pin.

The GSM part of SIM508 detect charger supply and the battery is present, battery charging will happen. If there is no charger supply or no battery present the charging will not be enabled.

Normally, there are three main states in whole charging procedure.

- DDLO charge and UVLO charge;
- Fast charge;
- Trickle charge;

DDLO charge and UVLO charge:

DDLO (deep discharge lock out) is the state of battery when its voltage under 2.4V. And UVLO (under voltage lock out) means the battery voltage less than 3.2V and more than 2.4V. The battery is not suitable for fast charge when its condition is DDLO or UVLO. The GSM part of SIM508 provides a small constant current to the battery when the battery is between DDLO and UVLO. In DDLO charge, The GSM part of SIM508 gives out 5mA current to the battery. And in UVLO charge, The GSM part of SIM508 provide about 25mA current to the battery.

DDLO charge terminated when the battery voltage reaches 2.4V. UVLO charge terminated when the battery voltage is up to 3.2V. Both DDLO and UVLO charge are controlled by the GSM part of SIM508 hardware only.

Fast charge:

If there is a charger supply and battery present and the battery is not in DDLO and UVLO, the GSM part of SIM508 will enter fast charge state. Fast charge controlled by the software. Fast charge delivers a strong and constant current (about 450mA) through VBAT pin to the battery until battery voltage reach 4.2V.

Trickle charge:

After fast charging, the battery voltage near the whole battery capacity, trick charge begins .in this state, the GSM part of SIM508 charge the battery under constant voltage.

3.5.4 Operating modes during charging

The battery can be charged during various operating mode. That means that when the GSM engine is in Normal mode (SLEEP, IDLE, TALK, GPRS IDLE or GPRS DATA mode), charging can be in progress while the GSM part of SIM508 remains operational (In this case the voltage supply should be sufficient). Here we name Charging in Normal mode as Charge mode.

If the charger is connected to the module's CHG_IN pin and the battery is connected to the VBAT pin while the GSM part of SIM508 is in POWER DOWN mode, the GSM part of SIM508 will go into the GHOST mode (Off and charging). The following table gives the difference between Charge mode and GHOST mode:

Table 9: operating modes

	How to activate mode	Features
Charge Mode	Connect charger to module's CHG_IN pin and connect battery to VBAT pin of module while the GSM part of SIM508 is in Normal operating mode, including: IDLE, TALK mode; SLEEP mode etc;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GSM remains operational and registered GSM network while charging is in progress; ● The serial interfaces are available in IDLE, TALK mode, the AT command set can be used fully in this case; <p>In SLEEP mode, the serial interfaces are not available, once the serial port is connected and there is data in transfer. Then the GSM part of SIM508 will exit the SLEEP mode.</p>

GHOST Mode	<p>Connect charger to module's CHG_IN pin while the GSM part of SIM508 is in POWER DOWN mode.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: Here GHOST mode is OFF and Charging mode, it means that not all software tasks are running.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Battery can be charged when GSM engine is not registered to GSM network; ● Only a few AT commands is available as listed below.
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Table 10: AT Command usually used in GHOST mode

AT command	Function
AT+CALARM	Set alarm time
AT+CCLK	Set data and time of RTC
AT+CPOWD	Power down
AT+CBC	Indicated charge state and voltage
AT+CFUN	<p>Start or close the protocol</p> <p>Set AT command“ AT+CFUN =1”,module can be transferred from GHOST mode to Charging in normal mode, In GHOST mode , the default value is 0</p>

3.5.5 Charger requirements

Following is the requirements of charger for the GSM part of SIM508.

a) Simple transformer power plug

- Output voltage: 5.0V-5.25V
- Charging current limitation: 550mA
- A 10V peak voltage is allowed for maximum 1ms when charging current is switched off.
- A 1.6A peak current is allowed for maximum 1ms when charging current is switched on.

3.6 Power saving

There are two methods to achieve the GSM part of SIM508 module extreme low power. “AT+CFUN” is used to set module into minimum functionality mode and /DTR hardware interface signal can be used to set system to be SLEEP mode (or Slow clocking mode).

3.6.1 Minimum functionality mode

Minimum functionality mode reduces the functionality of the module to a minimum and, thus, minimizes the current consumption to the lowest level. This mode is set with the “AT+CFUN” command which provides the choice of the functionality levels <fun>=0, 1, 4

- 0: minimum functionality;
- 1: full functionality (Default);
- 4: disable phone both transmit and receive RF circuits;

If the GSM part of SIM508 has been set to minimum functionality by “AT+CFUN=0”, then the RF function and SIM card function will be closed, in this case, the serial ports is still accessible, but all AT commands need RF function or SIM card function will not accessible.

If the GSM part of SIM508 has disable all RF function by “AT+CFUN=4”, then RF function will be closed, the serial ports is still active in this case but all AT commands need RF function will not accessible.

When the GSM part of SIM508 is in minimum functionality or has been disable all RF functionality by “AT+CFUN=4”, it can return to full functionality by “AT+CFUN=1”.

For Detailed info about “AT+CFUN”, please refer to [1].

3.6.2 SLEEP mode (Slow Clocking mode)

You can use DTR signal to control the GSM part of SIM508 module to enter or exit the SLEEP mode in your applications.

When DTR is in high level, at the same time there is no on air or audio activity is required and no hardware interrupt (such as GPIO interrupt or data on serial port), the GSM part of SIM508 will enter SLEEP mode automatically. In this mode, the GSM part of SIM508 can still receive paging or SMS from network.

In SLEEP mode, the serial port is not accessible.

Note: For some special software versions, it requests to set AT command “AT+CSCLK=1” to enable the sleep mode ;the default value is 0,that can’t make the module enter sleep mode, for more details please refer to the AT command list.

3.6.3 Wake up the GSM part of SIM508 from SLEEP mode

When the GSM part of SIM508 is SLEEP mode, the following method can wake up the module.

- Enable DTR pin to wake up the GSM part of SIM508;

If DTR Pin is pull down to a low level, this signal will wake up the GSM part of SIM508 from power saving mode. The serial port will be active after DTR change to low level about 3mS.

- Receive a voice or data call from network to wake up the GSM part of SIM508;
- Receive a SMS from network to wake up the GSM part of SIM508;
- RTC alarm expired to wake up the GSM part of SIM508;

3.7 Summary of state transitions (except SLEEP mode)

Table 11: Summary of state transitions

Further mode	POWER DOWN	Normal mode	Ghost mode (Charge-only mode)	Charging in normal	Alarm mode
Current mode					
POWER DOWN		Use PWRKEY	Connect charger to CHG_IN and connect battery to VBAT	No direct transition, but via “Ghost mode” or “Normal mode”	Switch on from POWER DOWN mode by RTC
Normal mode	AT+CPOWD or use PWRKEY pin		Connect charger to CHG_IN and connect battery to VBAT, then switch off module by AT+CPOWD or using PWRKEY	Connect charger to CHG_IN pin of module and connect battery to VBAT pin of module	Set alarm by “AT+CALARM”, and then switch off the module. When the timer expire, the module turn on and enter Alarm mode
Ghost mode (Charge-only mode)	Disconnect charger	No direct transition, but via “Charging in normal” mode		Turn on the module using PWRKEY OR SET AT Command “AT+CFUN=1”	Set alarm by “AT+CALARM”, when the timer expire, module will enter Alarm mode

Charging in normal	AT+CPOWD → “Ghost mode”, then disconnect charger	Disconnect the charger	Switch off module by AT+CPOWD or using PWRKEY		No direct transition
Alarm mode	Use PWRKEY pin or wait module switch off automatically	Use AT+CFUN	No transition	Use AT+CFUN let module enter Normal mode, then connect the charger to CHG_IN pin of module	

3.8 RTC backup

The RTC (Real Time Clock) power supply of module can be provided by an external battery or a battery (rechargeable or non-chargeable) through PIN 14 on the board-to-board connector. There is an 10K resistance has been integrated in the GSM part of SIM508 module used for restricting current. You need only a coin-cell battery or a super-cap to PIN 14 to backup power supply for RTC.

The following figures show various sample circuits for RTC backup.

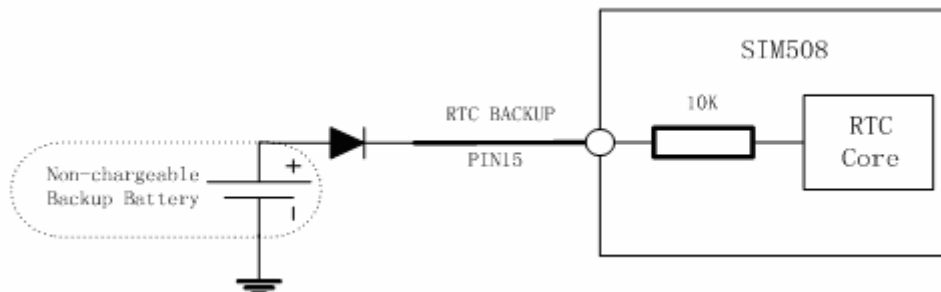


Figure 7: RTC supply from non-chargeable battery

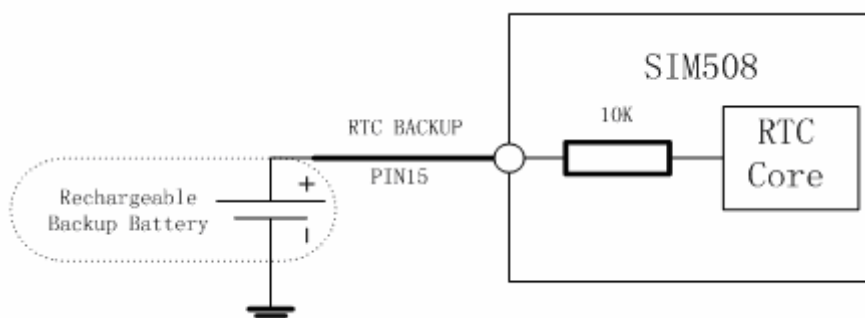


Figure 8: RTC supply from rechargeable battery

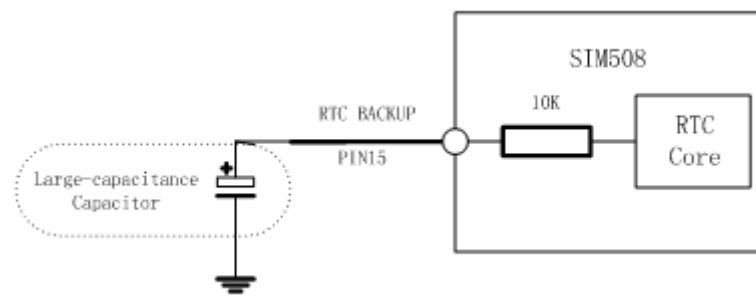


Figure 9: RTC supply from capacitor

- **Li-battery backup**

Rechargeable Lithium coin cells such as the TC614 from Maxell, or the TS621 from Seiko, are also small in size, but have higher capacity than the double layer capacitors resulting in longer backup times.

Typical charge curves for each cell type are shown in following figures. Note that the rechargeable Lithium type coin cells generally come pre-charged from the vendor.

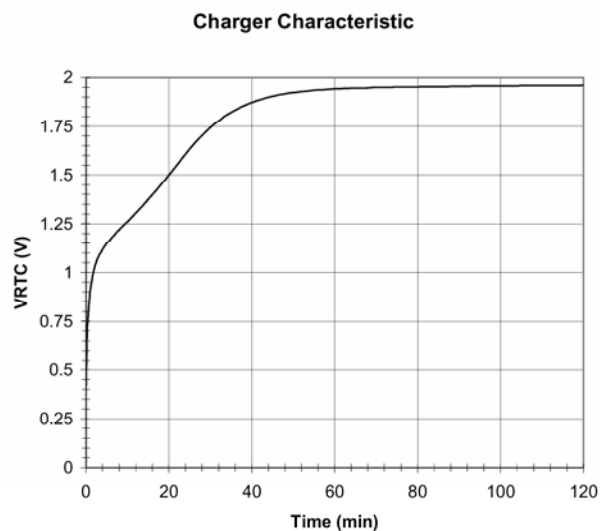


Figure 10: Panasonic EECEMOE204A Charge Characteristic

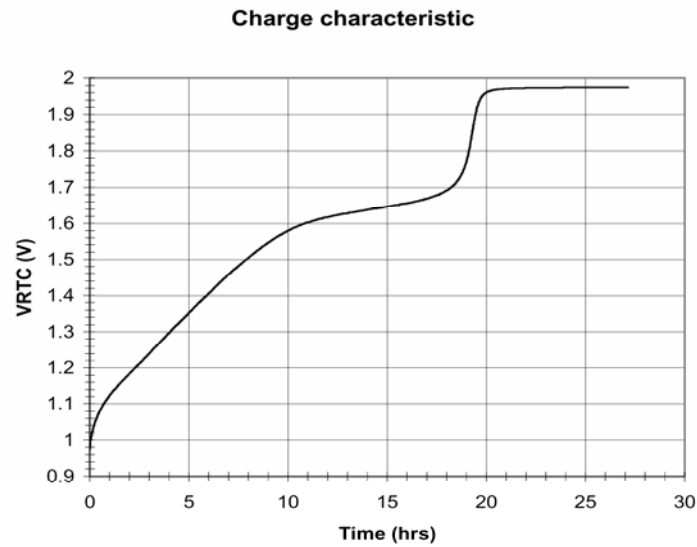


Figure 11: Maxell TC614 Charge Characteristic

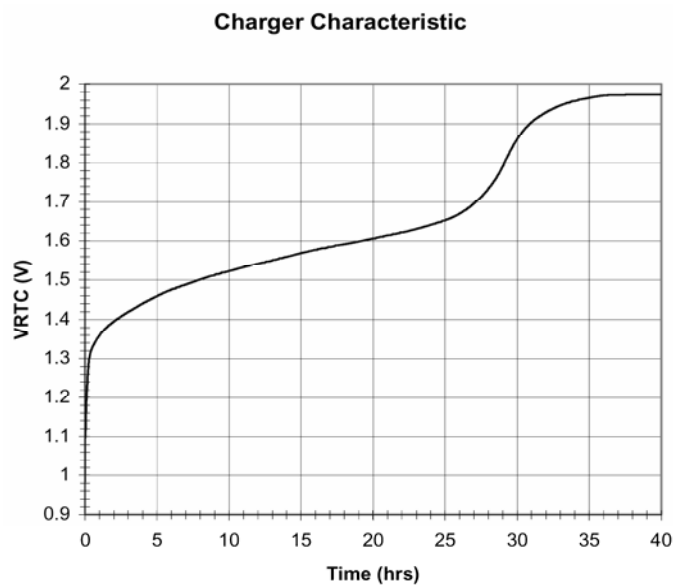


Figure 12: Seiko TS621 Charge Characteristic

Note:

Gold-capacitance backup

Some suitable coin cells are the electric double layer capacitors available from Seiko (XC621), or from Panasonic (EECEM0E204A). They have a small physical size (6.8 mm diameter) and a nominal capacity of 0.2 F to 0.3 F, giving hours of backup time.

3.9 Serial interfaces

The GSM part of SIM508 provides two unbalanced asynchronous serial ports. The GSM part is designed as a DCE (Data Communication Equipment), following the traditional DCE-DTE (Data Terminal Equipment) connection, the module and the client (DTE) are connected through the following signal (as figure 13 shows).

Serial port 1

- Port/TXD @ Client sends data to the RXD signal line of module
- Port/RXD @ Client receives data from the TXD signal line of module

Serial port 2

- Port/TXD @ Client sends data to the DEBUG_RX signal line of module
- Port/RXD @ Client receives data from the DEBUG_TX signal line of module

All pins of two serial ports have 8mA driver, the logic levels are described in table

Table 12: Logic levels of serial ports pins

Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
Logic low input	0	0.9	V
Logic high input	0.9	3.3	V
Logic low output	GND	0.2	V
Logic high output	2.8	3	V

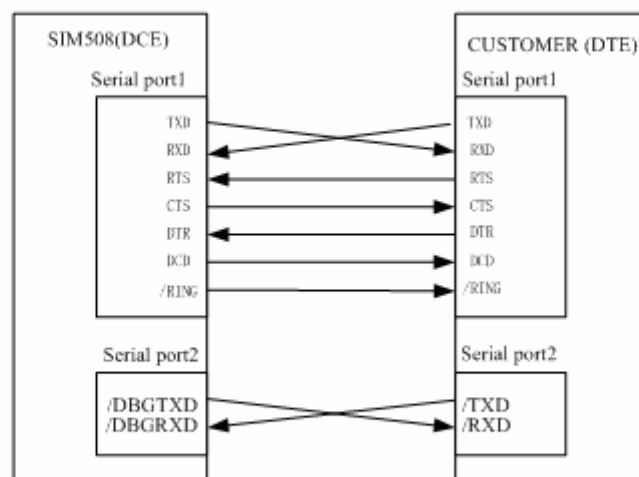


Figure 13: Interface of serial ports

3.9.1 Function of Serial Port 1 & 2 supporting

Serial port 1

- Seven lines on Serial Port Interface
- Contains Data lines /TXD and /RXD, State lines /RTS and /CTS, Control lines /DTR, /DCD and RING;
- Serial Port 1 can be used for CSD FAX, GPRS service and send AT command of controlling module. Serial Port 1 can use multiplexing function, but you cannot use the Serial Port 2 at the same time;
- Serial port 1 supports the communication rate as following:
1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200

Default as 115200bps.

Serial port 2

- Two lines on Serial Port Interface
- Only contains Data lines /TXD and /RXD
- Serial Port 2 only used for transmitting AT command. It cannot be used for CSD call, FAX call. And the Serial port 2 can not use multiplexing function;
- Serial port 2 supports the communication rate as following:
9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200

Note: You should configure the serial port2 by AT command of “AT+UART” before you can use serial port2. Please refer to the “the GSM part of SIM508 Dual Serial Ports User Guide” and document [1] for detail.

3.10 Audio interfaces

Table 13: Audio interface signal

	Name	Pin	Function
(AIN1/AOUT1)	Mic1p	54	Microphone1 input +
	Mic1n	56	Microphone1 input -
	Spk1p	53	Audio1 output+
	Spk1n	55	Audio1 output-
(AIN2/AOUT2)	Mic2p	58	Microphone2 input +
	Mic2n	60	Microphone2 input -
	Spk2p	57	Audio2 output+
	Spk2n	59	Audio2 output-

The module provides two Analogy input channels, AIN1 and AIN2, which may be used for both microphone and line inputs. The AIN1 and AIN2 channels are identical. One of the two channels is typically used with a microphone built into a handset. The other channel is typically used with an external microphone or external line input. The Module Analogy input configuration is determined by control register settings and established using Analogy multiplexers.

For each channels, you can use AT+CMIC to set the input gain level of microphone, use AT+ECHO to set the parameters for echo cancellation. Also, you can use AT+SIDET to set the side-tone level. For detail, please refer to [1].

It is suggested that you adopt the one of following two matching circuits in order to reject common mode noise and audio noise. The difference audio signals have to be layout according to difference signal layout rules.

Note:

As show in Figure 14、 Figure 15 、 Figure 16、 Figure17 (Note : all components package are 0603) .BEAD must has low impedance and can be removed according to their environment such as the ground plane, shielding, power lost. The best way is to plan all the components shown in the follow figure. If you want to adopt a amplifier circuit for audio, we commend National company's LM4890. But you can select it according to your needs.

3.10.1 Speaker interface configuration

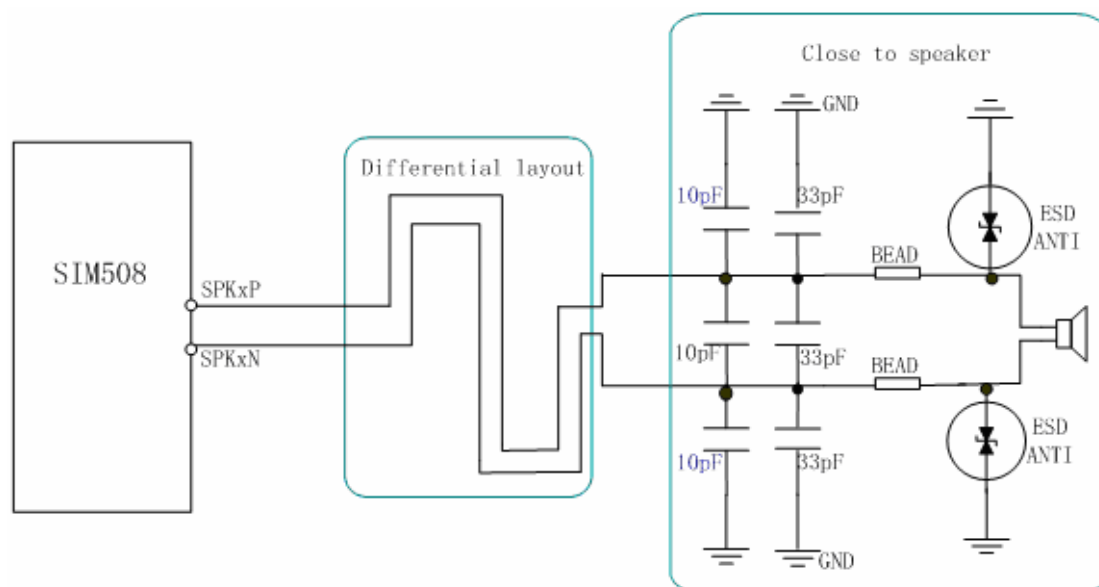


Figure 14: Speaker interface configuration

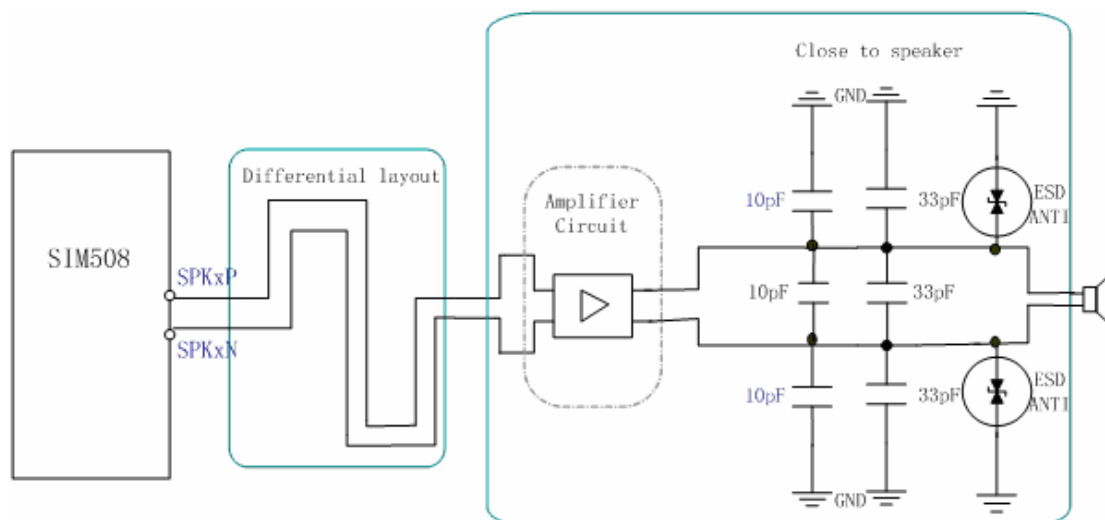


Figure 15: Speaker interface with amplifier configuration

3.10.2 Microphone interfaces configuration

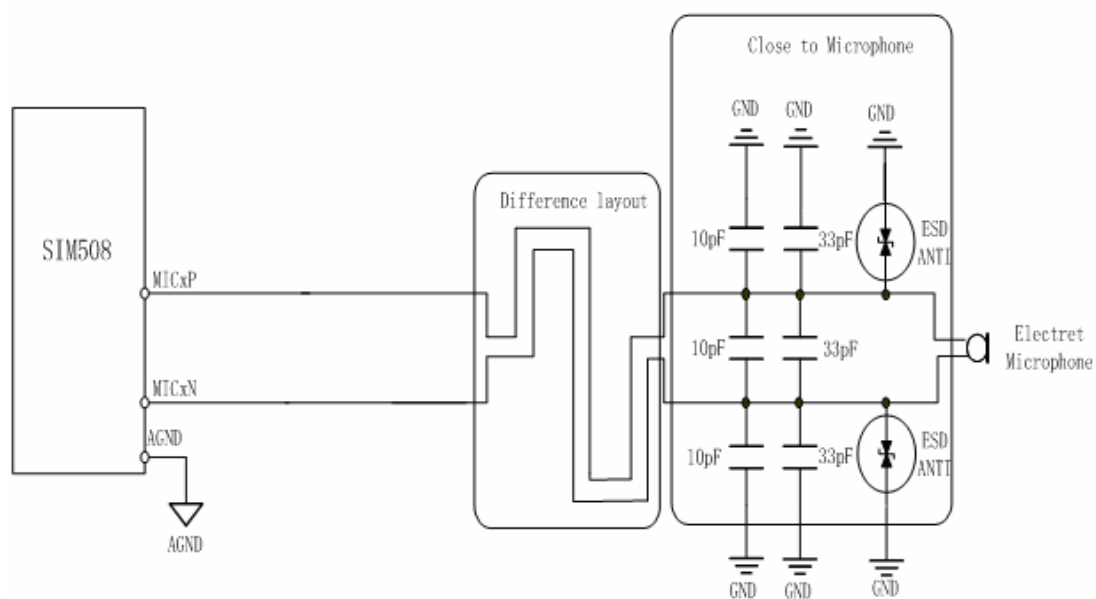


Figure 16: Microphone interface configuration

3.10.3 Earphone interface configuration

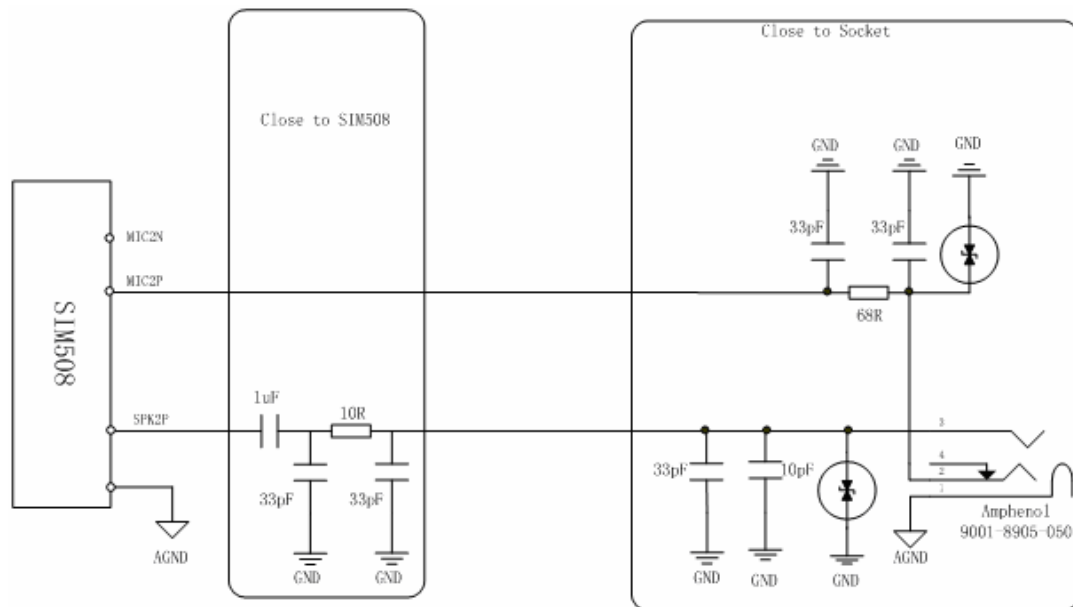


Figure 17: Earphone interface configuration

3.10.4 Referenced Electronic Characteristic

Table 14: MIC Input DC Characteristics

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Working Voltage		1.25	2.5	V
Working Current	5		300	uA
External Microphone Load Resistance	1.2	2.2		k Ohms

Table 15: SPEAKER Output DC Characteristics

Parameter			Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Working Voltage			2.4	2.45	2.7	V
Output Power				10		mW
Load Resistance	Normal Output(SPK1)	Single Ended	≥32			Ohm
		Differential	≥15			

	Auxiliary Output(SPK2)	Single Ended	≥ 32			
		Differential	≥ 27			

Table 16: Buzzer Output DC Characteristics

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Working Voltage	2.4	2.8	3.3	V
Working Current		8		mA
Load Resistance	1			k Ohms

3.11 SIM interface

3.11.1 SIM card application

You can use AT Command to get information in SIM card. For more information, please refer to [1].

The SIM interface supports the functionality of the GSM Phase 1 specification and also supports the functionality of the new GSM Phase 2+ specification for FAST 64 kbps SIM (intended for use with a SIM application Tool-kit).

Both 1.8V and 3.0V SIM Cards are supported.

The SIM interface is powered from an internal regulator in the module having nominal voltage 2.8V. All pins reset as outputs driving low. Logic levels are as described in table

Table 17: Signal of SIM interface (board-to-board connector)

Pin	Signal	Description
25	VSIM	SIM Card Power supply, it can identify automatically the SIM Card power mode, one is 3.0V \pm 10%, another is 1.8V \pm 10%. Current is about 10mA.
27	SIM_RESET	SIM Card Reset
29	SIM_DATA	SIM Card data I/O
31	SIM_CLOCK	SIM Card Clock
33	SIM_PRESENCE	SIM Card Detection

Following is a reference circuit about SIM interface. We recommend a Electrostatic discharge device ST (www.st.com) ESDA6V1W5 for “ESD ANTI”.

Note: If the SIMPRESENCE pin is not use, please connect it to GND.

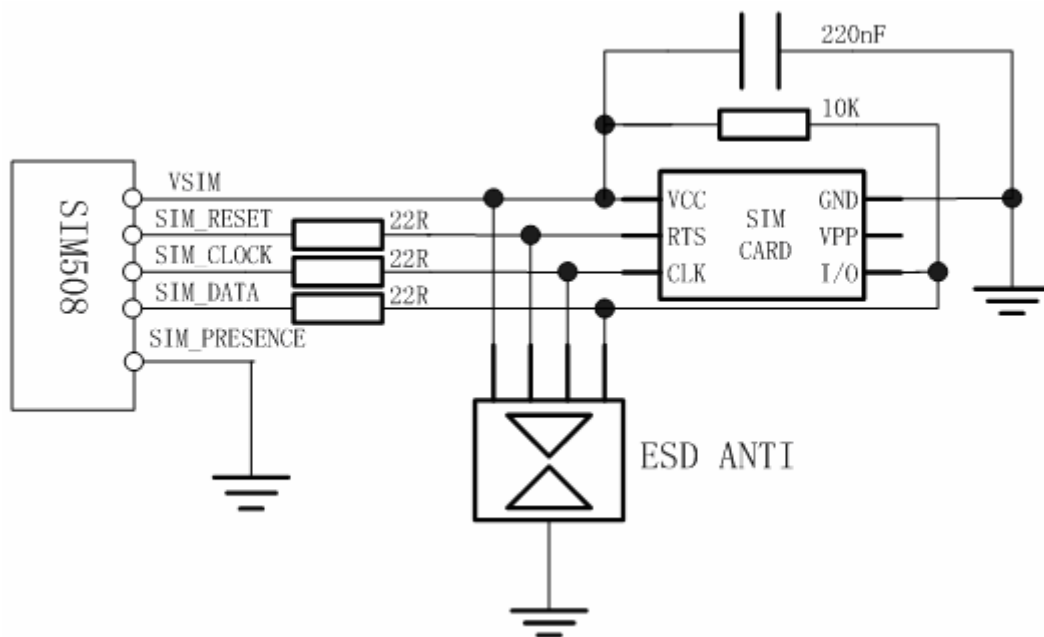


Figure 18: SIM interface reference circuit with 6pin SIM card

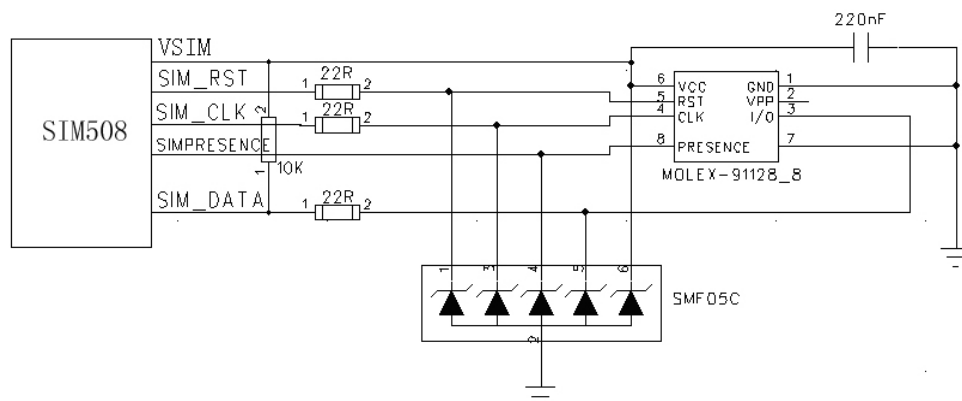


Figure 19: SIM interface reference circuit with 8pin SIM card

3.11.2 Design considerations for SIM card holder

For 6 pin SIM card, we recommend to use Amphenol C707 10M006 049 2 .You can visit <http://www.amphenol.com> for more information about the holder.

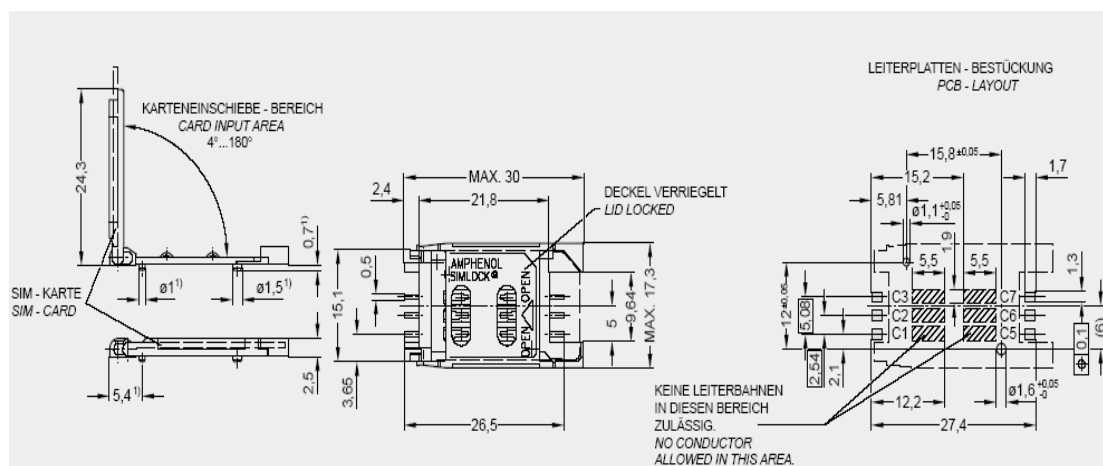


Figure 20: Amphenol C707 10M006 049 2 SIM card holder

Table 18: Pin description (Amphenol SIM card holder)

Pin	Signal	Description
C1	VSIM	SIM Card Power supply, it can identify automatically the SIM Card power mode, one is 3.0V±10%, another is 1.8V±10%. Current is about 10mA.
C2	SIM_RESET	SIM Card Reset.
C3	SIM_CLOCK	SIM Card Clock.
C5	GND	Connect to GND.
C6	VPP	Not connect.
C7	SIM_DATA	SIM Card data I/O.

For 8 pin SIM card, we recommend to use Molex 91128. You can visit <http://www.molex.com> for more information about the holder.

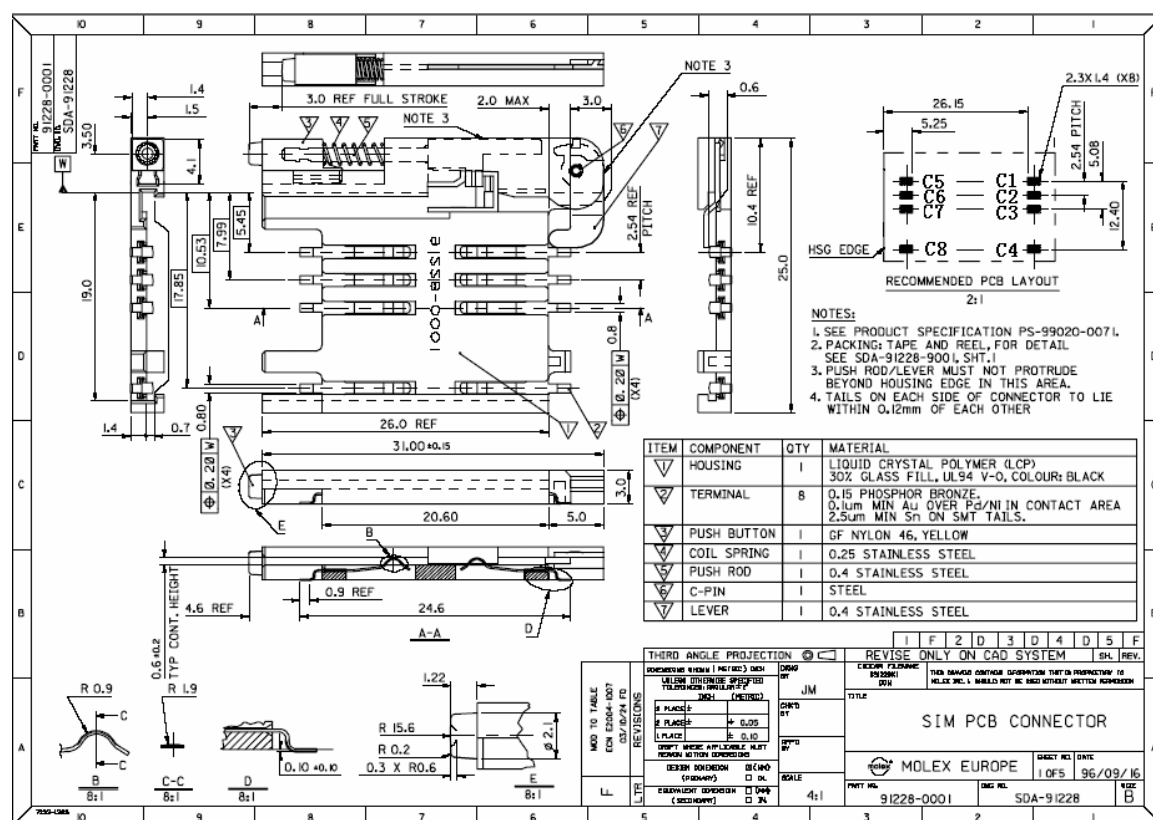


Figure 21: Molex 91128 SIM card holder

Table 17: Pin description (Molex SIM card holder)

Pin	Signal	Description
C1	VSIM	SIM Card Power supply, it can identify automatically the SIM Card power mode, one is 3.0V±10%, another is 1.8V±10%. Current is about 10mA.
C2	SIM_RESET	SIM Card Reset.
C3	SIM_CLOCK	SIM Card Clock.
C4	GND	Connect to GND.
C5	GND	Connect to GND.
C6	VPP	Not connect.
C7	SIM_DATA	SIM Card data I/O.
C8	SIM_PRESENCE	Detect SIM Card Presence

3.12 LCD interface

The GSM part of SIM508 provide a serial LCD display interface that supports serial communication with LCD device. These are composite pins that can be used as GPIO ports or LCD display interface according to your application. When use as LCD interface, the following table is the pin define. LCD interface timing should be united with the LCD device.

Table 18: PIN define of LCD interface

Pin (On board-to-board connector)	Name	Function
38	DISP_EN	Display enable
40	DISP_CLK	Display clock for LCD
42	DISP_D0	Display data output
44	DISP_A0	Display data or address select
46	NLCDRESET	LCD reset

3.13 General purpose Input/Output ports

Table 19: GPIO of the GSM part of SIM508

Pin	Name	Function
21	GPIO5	General Purpose Input/Output Port
35	GPIO32	General Purpose Input/Output Port

The GSM part of SIM508 supports 2 general purpose input/output signal pins and output signal pins. Both pins can be configured through AT command “AT+CGPIO” in users’ application to high voltage level or low voltage level. For detail of this AT command, please refer to [1].

3.14 ADC

The GSM part of SIM508 provide two auxiliary ADC (General purpose analog to digital converter.) as voltage input pin, which can be used to detect the values of some external items such as voltage、 temperature etc. User can use AT command “AT+RADC” to read the voltage value added on ADC pin. For detail of this AT command, please refer to [1].

Table 20: ADC pin of the GSM part of SIM508

Name	Pin (On board-to-board connector)	Input voltage scope(V)
AUXADC1	12	0 – 2.4

3.15 Behaviors of the /RING line (Serial port1 interface only)

Table 21: Behaviours of the /RING line

State	RI respond
Standby	High
Voice calling	Change low, then: (1) Change to high when establish calling. (2) Use AT command ATH the RING hold low. (3) Sender hang up, change to high
Data calling	Change low, then: (1) Change to high when establish calling. (2) Use AT command ATH the RING hold low.
SMS	When receive SMS, The ring will change to LOW and hold LOW level at about 110mS, then change to HIGH.

If the module is used as caller, signal ring will maintain high. But when it is used as receiver, following is timing of ring.

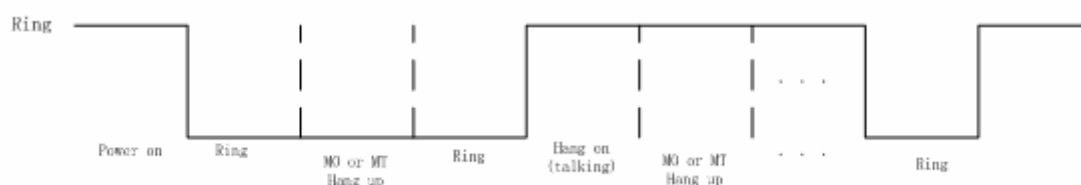


Figure 22: The GSM part of SIM508 Services as Receiver

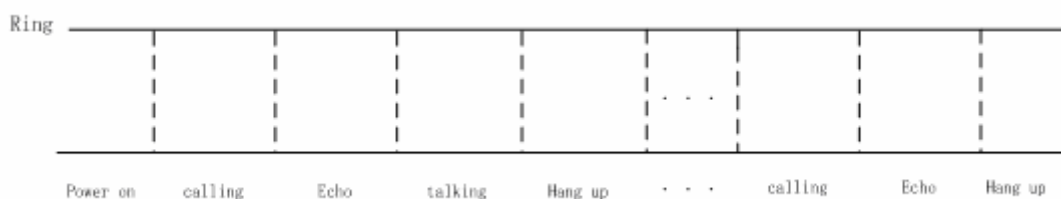


Figure 23: The GSM part of SIM508 Services as caller

3.16 Network status indication LED lamp

The PIN 16 on the board-to-board connector can be used to drive a network status indication LED lamp. The working state of this pin is listed in table22:

Table 22: Working state of network status indication LED pin

State	The GSM part of SIM508 function
Off	The GSM part of SIM508 is not running
64ms On/ 800ms Off	The GSM part of SIM508 does not find the network
64ms On/ 3000ms Off	The GSM part of SIM508 find the network
64ms On/ 300ms Off	GPRS communication

We provide a reference circuitry for you, shown as the following figure:

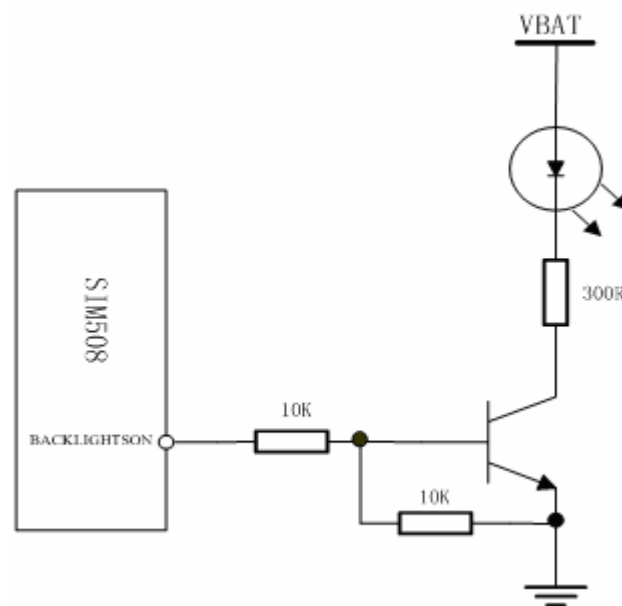


Figure 24: Reference circuit for Network status LED

3.17 Buzzer

The PIN 23 on the board-to-board connector can be used to drive a buzzer to indicate incoming call. The output volume of buzzer can be set by “AT+CRSL”. The reference circuit for buzzer as shown as the following figure:

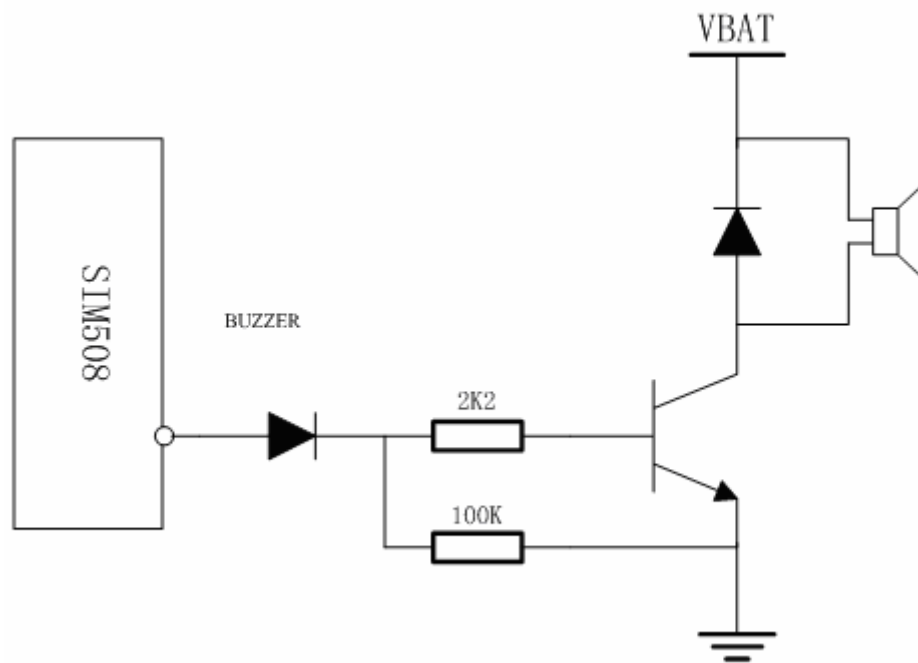


Figure 25: Reference circuit for Buzzer

4 GPS Application Interface

A GPS receiver with high performance has been integrated to offer GPS full function, it continuously tracks all satellites in view and provides accurate satellite position data. Otherwise, the GPS part can run separately even while the GSM part of SIM508 has been deregistered from the GSM network.

4.1 Technical data

Power consumption

210 mW with active antenna (continuous mode),
180mw with Passive antenna (continuous mode)
TricklePower mode reduces power to < 60mW
Adaptive TricklePower switches between full and TricklePower
Push-to-Fix reduces power by as much as 98%

Protocols

SiRF binary/NMEA-0183
AI3/F (SIRF Interface) for AGPS
RTCM (for DGPS)

Position accuracy

Autonomous: < 10m
SBAS (WASS, EGNOS) : < 5m
Beacon DGPS: < 3m

Receiver

Tracking: L1, C/A code
Channels: 20
Update rate: Default 1 Hz
Tracking Sensitivity: -157 ± 2 dBm (see note)
Max. Altitude: <60.000 ft (18,000 m)
Max. velocity: <1.000 knots (515 m/s)
Protocol support: NMEA-0183, SiRF binary

Acquisition rate

Standalone

Hotstart: < 1 seconds, open sky
Warmstart: < 38 seconds, open sky
Coldstart: < 42 seconds, open sky

APGS

GSM or 3G: <1s, open sky

GSM or 3G: <24s, indoor

CDMA: <1s, open sky

CDMA: <18s, indoor

Note: The receiver sensitivity above-mentioned is mostly related to antenna reference point, such as the antenna type, the antenna amplifier, the customer application or the placement and the applied reference setup and so on.

4.2 Pin description

Power Supply			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	
GPS_VCC	I	Two GPS_VCC pins of the board-to-board connector are dedicated to connect the supply voltage. The power supply for GPS whole part has to be a single voltage source. It must be able to provide sufficient current of >100mA in the procedure of tracking satellites.	Vmax= 5.0V Vmin=3V Vnorm=3.3V
GPS_VRTC	I	Apply 3V dc for backup RTC & SRAM. If unused, keep floating.	Vmax= 3.3V Vmin=2.7V Vnorm=3.0V
GPS_VANT	I	The external DC power supply for an active antenna. Its input voltage depends on the type of chosen active antenna, for the 5V type, it has to be connected to 5V external power supply, for the 3V type, it can be connected to the GPS_VCC_RF pin directly which provides 2.85V.	Imax=25mA
GPS_VCC_RF	O	The optional power supply for 3.0V type active antenna.	Vmax=2.9V Vmin=2.8V Vnorm=2.85V Imax=25mA
GND		Ground, shared with GSM part	
GPIO			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	
GPS_GPIO4	I/O	GPIO line. Alternate function is SPI slave select 1. Default state is input.	

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		mode. It has no pull-up or pull-down resistor.	
GPS_GPIO13	I/O	GPIO Lines. Alternate function is CS1 or CTS.	
GPS_GPIO14	I/O	GPIO Lines. Alternate function is CS2 or RTS.	
Dual serial interface			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	
GPS_TXA	O	Serial data output for port A	
GPS_RXA	I	Serial data input for port A	
GPS_TXB	O	Serial data output for port B	
GPS_RXB	I	Serial data input for port B	
Control signals			
PIN NAME	I/O	DESCRIPTION	
GPS_ON_OFF	I	Edge triggered soft on/off request. Should only be used to wake up chip for senior software version, it should never be used to shut the chip down for standard software version.	
GPS_BOOTSEL	I	For re-programming the Flash, it must be set to High	
GPS_M-RST	I	Reset pin, active low, if used, it causes the module to reset and start to searching for satellites; if not used, it has to be kept floating.	
GPS_Timersync	I	an auxiliary clock input that supports alternate oscillator calibration systems. Alternate functions are CS3 and GPIO 15.	
GPS_FREQ_XFER	I	External CMOS clock source. This pin applies to the SiRFLoc Client firmware, if unused, keep floating	
GPS_TimeMark	O	1 PPS timemark output for synchronizing to within 1 microsecond of GPS time.	

4.3 GPS operation modes

Mode	Function
Normal operation	The receiver is continuously running in Normal mode, as long as the operating voltage Vcc is supplied. Position fixes are generated at the maximum update rate. This enables the receiver a warm- and hotstart. However, the cold- and warmstart times of receiver do not differ significantly under good visibility conditions.
Trickle Power mode (TP) (See Note)	Vcc is continuously supplied to the receiver in Trickle Power mode. By using a especially configurable software, the user can force the receiver to acquire a position fix periodically. Between two fixes, the receiver will be in a low power mode. TP is best suited for applications where regular updates are required, and where stronger signal levels are expected. The receiver is set for a specific update period (range from 1 to 10 seconds), and a specific sampling time during each period (range from 200 to 900 ms). The receiver turns to full power state for the sampling time to collect data, and then operates in stand-by state for the remainder of the update period. The next full-power state is initiated by an RTC wakeup, the period and sample time can be set by software according to different clients and applications.
Adaptive Trickle Power (ATP) mode (See Note)	ATP mode is similar to TP mode. However, when signal levels drop, ATP returns to full power so that message output rates remain constant even in difficult environments. This results in variable power savings but much more reliable performance for a fixed output rate, so that it gives performance very similar to full power, but with significant power savings in strong-signal conditions.
Push-to-Fix mode (See Note)	In this mode the receiver will turn on every a given minutes (this period can be set form 10 minutes to 2 hours by software) to perform a system update consisting of position, time, ephemeris data refreshing and RTC calibration. When the PTF mode is enabled, upon power on or a new PTF cycle, the receiver will stay on full power until the good navigation solution is computed. The stand-by state will follow for the remainder of the period. For example ,if it took 36 seconds to fix position and refresh ephemeris on the default period of 30 minutes, the receiver will sleep for the 29 minutes and 24 seconds. When the application needs a position report, it can toggle the ON_OFF pin to wake up the receiver. When the receiver wakes up, a valid position can be computed in the normal hot-start time.

Note: Basing on current software version, the GPS part of SIM508 only can work in normal operation mode, it tracking satellites continuously at the maximum update rate, this causes the power dissipation of the GPS part remains at the level of 210 mW approximately, for portable devices, we also offer the especially configurable software version which can support Trickle-Power mode and Push-to-Fix mode to save much power.

4.4 Serial interface of the SIM508 GPS part

The GPS part of the SIM508 module offers two serial interfaces:

Serial port A

- 2-wire serial interface
- Includes the GPS_RXA (receive) and TXA (transmit) lines
- Supported baud rate: 1200-115200bps, but 4800—38400bps is a common rate range
- Protocol: Default NMEA ,4800bps
- Default output message: GGA,GSA, GSV,RMC,VTG
- Update rate: Default 1Hz.
- Datum WGS84 default (User configurable)

Serial port B

- 2-wire serial interface
- Includes the GPS_RXB (receive) and GPS_TXB (transmit) lines
- Supported baud rate: 1200—115200 bps
- Serial port B is reserved for customer specific applications, such as for DGPS and so on.
- Default no message output

Note: Both interfaces are configured as 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit.

4.5 Start-up procedure

The start-up strategy of the SIM508 GPS part depends on the last position, current time and ephemeris data, that the receiver has stored the external SRAM memory. There are three different start-up procedures:

4.5.1 Coldstart

The coldstart takes place when the receiver has no knowledge of its last position or time. In this case the GPS RTC has not been running and no valid ephemeris data or almanac data is available (The receiver has never been navigating or no battery backup memory available).

4.5.2 Warmstart

This start-up procedure is performed whenever the receiver is able to use the valid almanac data, and has not in an important manner moved since the last valid position calculation. This procedure starts if the receiver has been shut off for more than 2 hours, but the last position, time and almanac are still acknowledged. This procedure is able to announce the current visible satellites in advance. However, since ephemeris data are not available or cannot longer be used, the receiver has to wait for the ephemeris broadcast to complete.

4.5.3 Hotstart

Hotstart is performed whenever the receiver still has access to valid ephemeris data and exact time. This procedure starts if the receiver has been shut off for less than 2 hours and the GPS RTC has been running during that time. Furthermore, during the previous session, the receiver must have been navigating (to allow it to decode and store ephemeris data). In Hotstart, the receiver can announce in advance the currently visible satellites, and is therefore able to quickly obtain and track the signal. Due to the fact that ephemeris is already known, there is no need to wait for the ephemeris broadcast to complete.

5 Antenna interface

5.1 GSM Antenna

The RF interface has an impedance of 50Ω. To suit the physical design of individual applications SIM508 offers two alternatives:

- Recommended approach: antenna connector on the component side of the PCB
- Antenna pad and grounding plane placed on the bottom side.

To minimize the loss on the RF cable, it need be very careful to choose RF cable. We recommend the insertion loss should be meet following requirement:

- GSM850/GSM900<1dB
- DCS1800/PCS1900<1.5dB

5.1.1 Antenna connector

SIM508 use MURATA's MM9329-2700 RF connector on the module side, we recommend user use MURATA's MXTK92XXXXX as matching connector on the application side. Please refer to appendix for detail info about MURATA's MXTK92XXXXX.

The antenna connector on the SIM508 is shown as the following figure:

5.1.2 Antenna pad

The antenna can be soldered to the pad, or attached via contact springs. To help you to ground the antenna, SIM508 comes with a grounding plane located close to the antenna pad. The antenna pad of SIM508 is shown as the following figure:

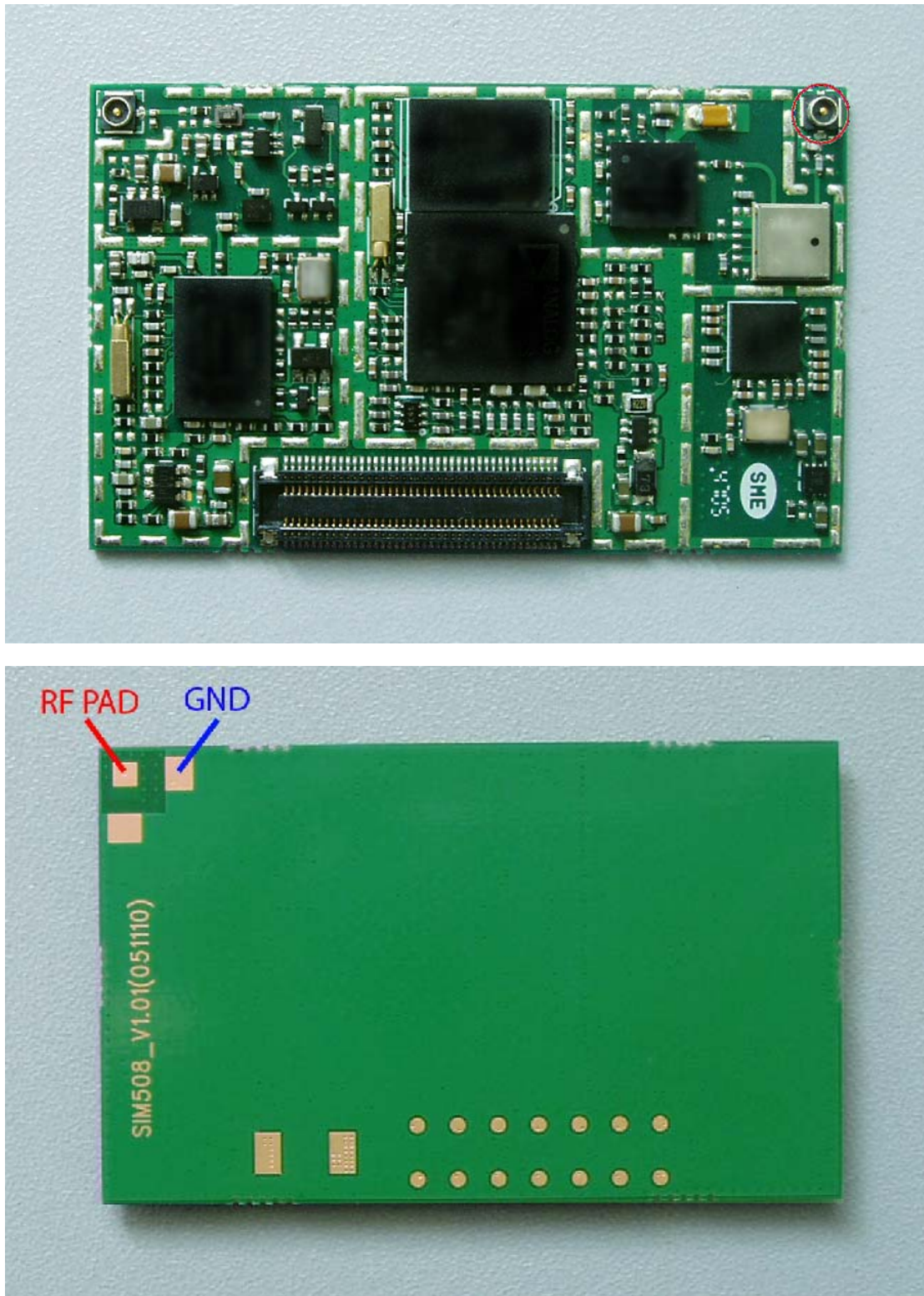


Figure 26: RF connector and RF pad

The GSM part of SIM508 material properties:

The GSM part of SIM508 PCB Material: FR4

Antenna pad: Gold plated pad

5.1.3 Module RF output power

Table 23: The GSM part of SIM508 RF output power

Frequency	Max	Min
GSM850	33dBm ±2db	5dBm±5db
E-GSM900	33dBm ±2db	5dBm±5db
DCS1800	30dBm ±2db	0dBm±5db
PCS1900	30dBm ±2db	0dBm±5db

5.1.4 Module RF receive sensitivity

Table 24: The GSM part of SIM508 RF receive sensitivity

Frequency	Receive sensitivity
GSM850	< -106dBm
E-GSM900	< -106dBm
DCS1800	< -105dBm
PCS1900	< -105dBm

5.1.5 Module receive/transmit frequency

Table 25: The GSM part of SIM508 receive/transmit frequency

Frequency	Receive	Transmit
GSM850	869 ~ 894MHz	824 ~ 849 MHz
E-GSM900	925 ~ 960MHz	880 ~ 915MHz
DCS1800	1805 ~ 1880MHz	1710 ~ 1785MHz
PCS1900	1930 ~ 1990MHz	1850 ~ 1910MHz

5.1.6 Antenna gain

Table 26: Antenna gain

Item	parameter	
Gain(dBi)	GSM	DCS
	0.5	1
Pattern	Omnidirectional antenna	

5.2 GPS Antenna

In order to receive satellite signals an additional GPS antenna must be connected to the GPS part of the SIM508 module. The position of the GPS antenna connector can be found in the following figure

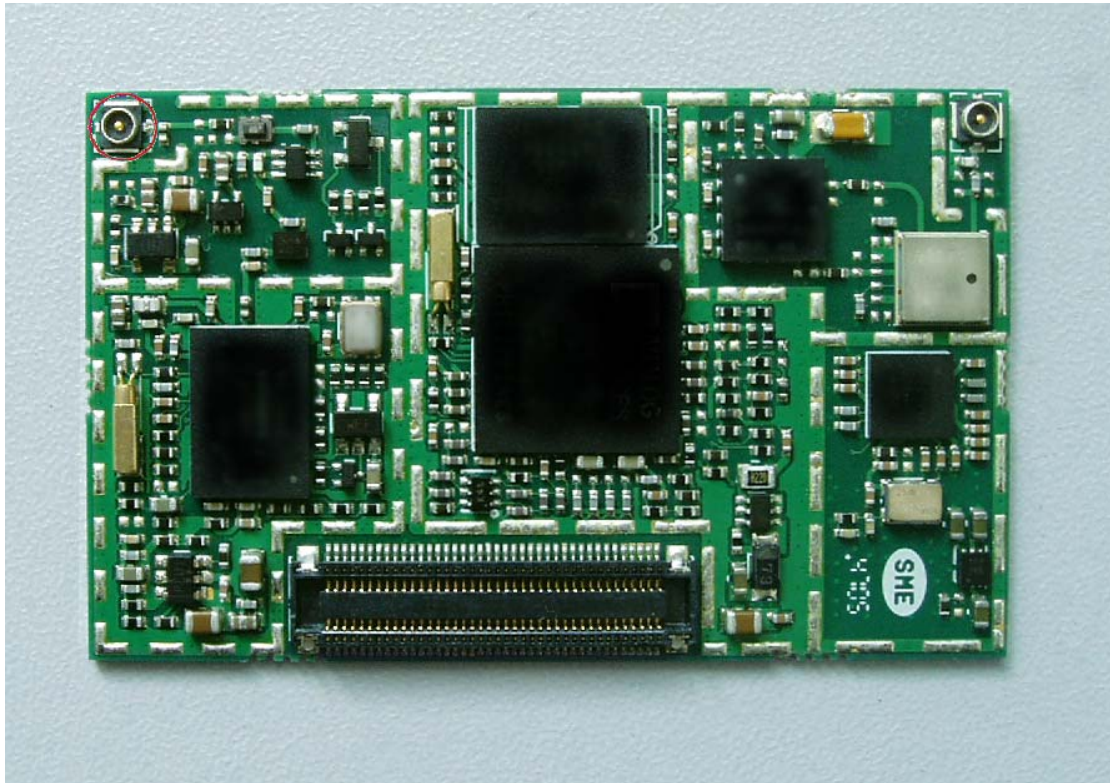


Figure 27: RF connector

6 Electrical, reliability and radio characteristics

6.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Absolute maximum rating for power supply and voltage on digital and analog pins of SIM508 are list in table27 and table 28.

Table 27: Absolute maximum ratings(GSM part)

Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
Peak current of power supply	0	4.0	A
RMS current of power supply (during one TDMA- frame)	0	0.7	A
Voltage at digital pins	-0.3	3.3	V
Voltage at analog pins	-0.3	3.0	V
Voltage at digit/analog pins in POWER DOWN mode	-0.25	0.25	V

Table 28: Absolute maximum ratings(GPS part)

Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
Voltage at GPS_Vcc	-0.3	5	V
Current at GPS_VCC_RF		25	mA

6.2 Operating temperatures

The operating temperature is listed in table29:

Table 29: SIM508 operating temperature

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Ambient temperature	-20	25	55	°C
Restricted operation*	-20 to -25		55 to 75	°C
Storage temperature	-40		+80	°C

* SIM508 can work, but the deviation from the GSM specification may occur.

6.3 Power supply rating

Table 30: Power supply rating (GSM part)

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
VBAT	Supply voltage	Voltage must stay within the min/max values, including voltage drop, ripple, and spikes.	3.4	4.0	4.5	V
	Voltage drop during transmit burst	Normal condition, power control level for Pout max			400	mV
	Voltage ripple	Normal condition, power control level for Pout max @ f<200kHz @ f>200kHz			50 2	mV
IVBAT	Average supply current)	POWER DOWN mode		89		uA
		SLEEP mode		3		mA
		IDLE mode (Not connect console) EGSM 900 GSM 1800/1900		23 23		mA
		IDLE mode (connect console) EGSM 900 GSM 1800/1900		33 33		mA
		TALK mode EGSM 900 GSM 1800/1900		240 200		mA
		DATA mode, GPRS(3 Rx,2Tx) EGSM 900 GSM 1800/1900		450 340		mA
		DATA mode, GPRS(4 Rx,1Tx) EGSM 900 GSM 1800/1900		270 220		mA
	Peak supply current (during transmission slot every 4.6ms)	Power control level		2	3	A

Table 31: Power supply rating (GPS part)

Parameter	Description	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
GPS_VCC	Supply voltage		3.0	3.3	5	V
IGPS_VCC	Average supply current	Continuous mode (with antenna feeding on GPS_VCC_RF)		65	110	mA

Note: Basing on current standard GSW3 soft version , the power saving mode of GPS part is not available , that results 65 mA IGPS_VCC remained while the GPS receiver is running in normal mode. .

6.4 Current Consumption

The current consumption of the SIM508 GSM part is listed in table 32.

Table 32: Current consumption (GSM part)

Voice Call	
GSM 900	@power level #5 <350mA, Typical 240mA @power level #10, Typical 130mA @power level #19, Typical 86mA
GSM1800/1900	@power level #0 <300mA, Typical 200mA @power level #10, Typical 87mA @power level #15, Typical 80mA
GPRS Data	
DATA mode, GPRS (1 Rx,1 Tx)	
GSM 900	@power level #5 <350mA, Typical 230mA @power level #10, Typical 125mA @power level #19, Typical 84mA
GSM1800/1900	@power level #0 <300mA, Typical 180mA @power level #10, Typical 83mA @power level #15, Typical 76mA
DATA mode, GPRS (3 Rx, 2 Tx)	
GSM 900	@power level #5 <550mA, Typical 450mA @power level #10, Typical 225mA @power level #19, Typical 142mA
GSM1800/1900	@power level #0 <450mA, Typical 340mA @power level #10, Typical 140mA @power level #15, Typical 127mA
DATA mode, GPRS (4 Rx,1 Tx)	
GSM 900	@power level #5 <350mA, Typical 270mA @power level #10, Typical 160mA @power level #19, Typical 120mA
GSM1800/1900	@power level #0 <300mA, Typical 220mA @power level #10, Typical 120mA @power level #15, Typical 113mA

6.5 Electrostatic discharge

Normally the module is designed inside customer terminal, so about Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) should be considered base on the requirement of terminal product. But for the module is protected against Electrostatic Discharge in conveyance and customer production, and some second level ESD protect design inside module.

The remaining ports are not special ESD protection in module, so the user should consider in the final product, and therefore, they are only protected according to the Human Body Model requirements.

Table 33: The ESD endure statue measured table (Temperature: 25°C, Humidity:45%)

Part	Contact discharge	Air discharge
VBAT,GND	±4KV	±8KV
KBR0-4, DTR, RXD, TXD, RTS, SPI_DATA, SPI_CLK	±2KV	±4KV
Antenna port	±2KV	±4KV
Other port	±1KV	

7 Mechanics

This chapter describes the mechanical dimensions of SIM508.

7.1 Mechanical dimensions of SIM508

Following are SIM508 top view and side view. These show you Mechanical dimensions of SIM508.

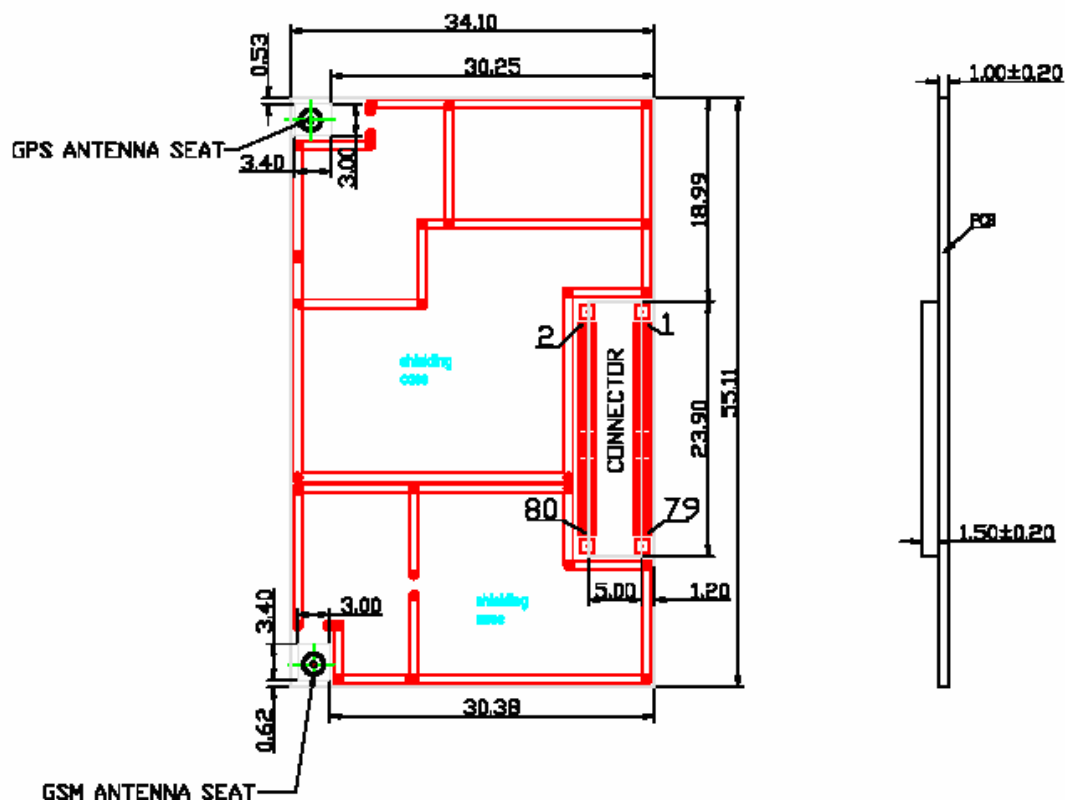


Figure 28: SIM508 TOP view and SIDE view

7.2 Mounting SIM508 onto the application platform

Use the connector 56363-0878 and four mounting pads fix the SIM508 onto customer platform.

7.3 Board-to-board connector

We recommend user adopt Molex Company's 54363-0878 type as the Board to board connector. These high density SMT connectors are designed for parallel PCB-to-PCB applications. They are ideal for use in VCRs, notebook PCs, cordless telephones, mobile phones, audio/visual and other telecommunications equipment where reduced size and weight are important. Following is parameter of 54363-0878. For more, you can login <http://www.molex.com> for more information.

7.3.1 Mechanical dimensions of 54363-0878

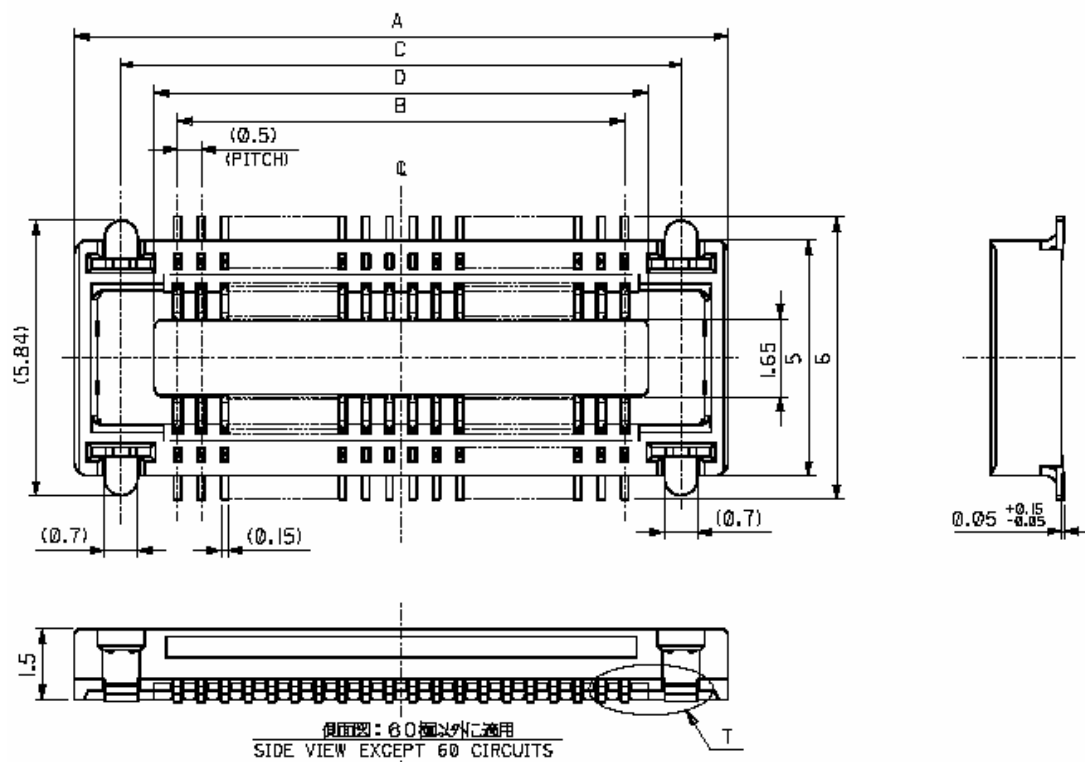


Figure 29: 54363-0878 board-to-board connector pin side

40.5	41.9	39.5	43.9	54363-1678	54363-1671	160	—
35.5	36.9	34.5	38.9	54363-1478	54363-1471	140	○
30.5	31.9	29.5	33.9	54363-1278	54363-1271	120	○
28	29.4	27	31.4	54363-1178	54363-1171	110	○
25.5	26.9	24.5	28.9	54363-1078	54363-1071	100	○
23	24.4	22	26.4	54363-0978	54363-0971	90	—
20.5	21.9	19.5	23.9	54363-0878	54363-0871	80	○
18	19.4	17	21.4	54363-0778	54363-0771	70	○
15.5	16.9	14.5	18.9	54363-0678	54363-0671	60	○
13	14.4	12	16.4	54363-0578	54363-0571	50	○
10.5	11.9	9.5	13.9	54363-0478	54363-0471	40	○
8	9.4	7	11.4	54363-0378	54363-0371	30	○
5.5	6.9	4.5	8.9	54363-0278	54363-0271	20	○
D	C	B	A	エンボス梱包品 EMBOSSED TAPE PACKAGING	製品番号 MATERIAL NO.	極数 CIRCUITS	量産対応 AVAILABLE
				DIMENSIONS:		SHT	REV

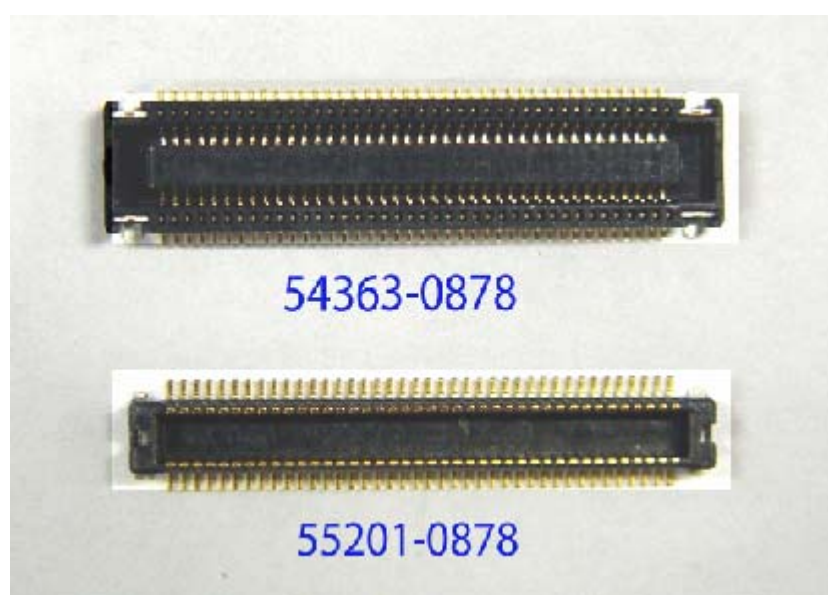


Figure 30: board to board connector physical photo

Note: The connector 54363-0878 is used in socket side (SIM508 module) and 55201-0878 is used pin side (user side).

7.3.2 Adapter cabling

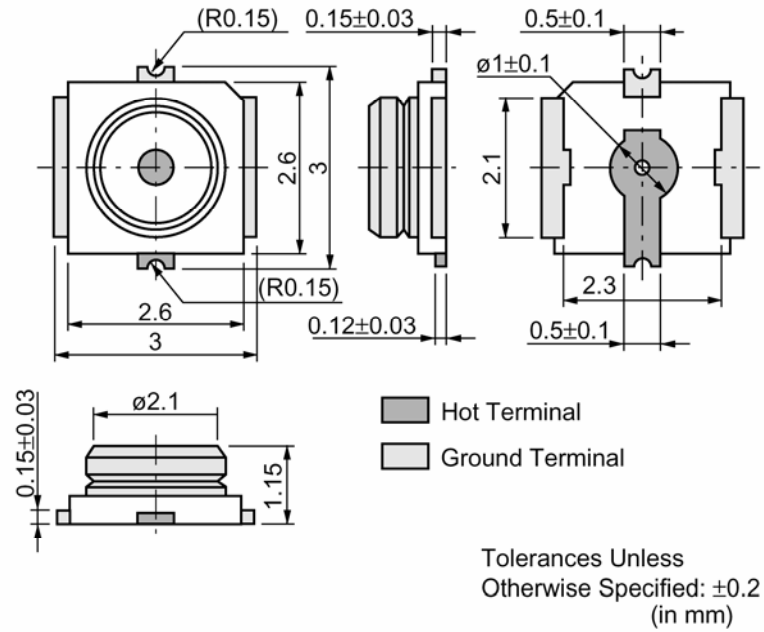


Figure 31: MM9329-2700B

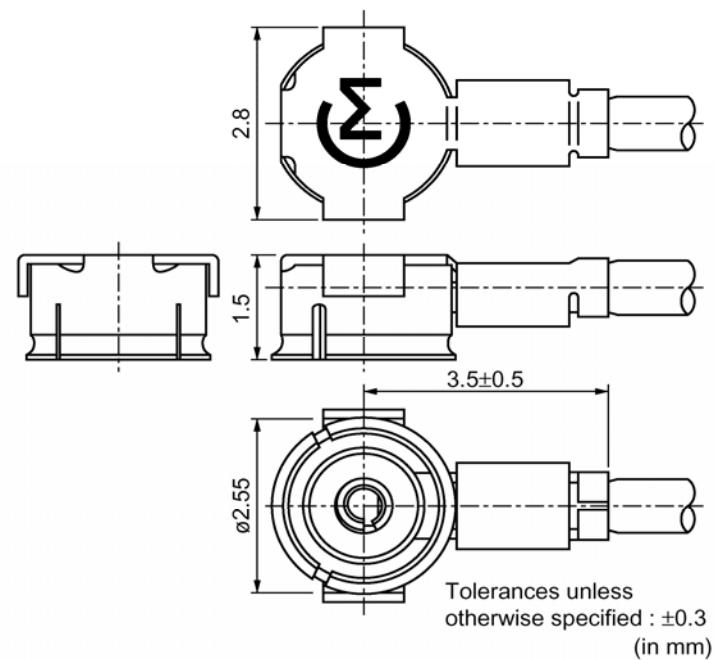


Figure 32: RF connector MXTK

For more information about the connector, please visit <http://www.murata.com/>

7.3.3 PIN assignment of board-to-board connector of SIM508

GND	2	1	VBAT
GND	4	3	VBAT
GND	6	5	VBAT
GND	8	7	VBAT
GND	10	9	VBAT
AUXADC1	12	11	CHG IN
BACKUP	14	13	TEMP BAT
NETLIGHT	16	15	NC
KCOL0	18	17	PWRKEY
KCOL1	20	19	STATUS
KCOL2	22	21	GPIO5
KCOL3	24	23	BUZZER
KCOL4	26	25	VSIM
KROW0	28	27	SIM RESET
KROW1	30	29	SIM DATA
KROW2	32	31	SIM CLOCK
KROW3	34	33	SIM PRESENCE
KROW4	36	35	GPIO32
DISP EN	38	37	DCD
DISP CLK	40	39	DTR
DISP D0	42	41	RXD
DISP A0	44	43	TXD
NLCDRESET	46	45	RTS
DEBUG RX	48	47	CTS
DEBUG TX	50	49	RI
AGND	52	51	AGND
MIC1P	54	53	SPK1P
MIC1N	56	55	SPK1N
MIC2P	58	57	SPK2P
MIC2N	60	59	SPK2N
GPS ON OFF	62	61	GPS TIMEMARK
GPS BOOTSEL	64	63	GPS FREQ XFER
GPS M-RST	66	65	GPS TIMERSYNC
GPS TXB	68	67	NC
GPS RXB	70	69	NC
GPS TXA	72	71	GPS RF PWRCTL
GPS RXA	74	73	GPS GPIO13
GPS VCC RF	76	75	GPS GPIO14
GPS VANT	78	77	GPS VRTC
GPS VCC	80	79	GPS VCC

Figure 33: Pin assignment of SIM 508

The following figure is a top-view of SIM508 module. With the indication of Pin 1,2,79 and 80.

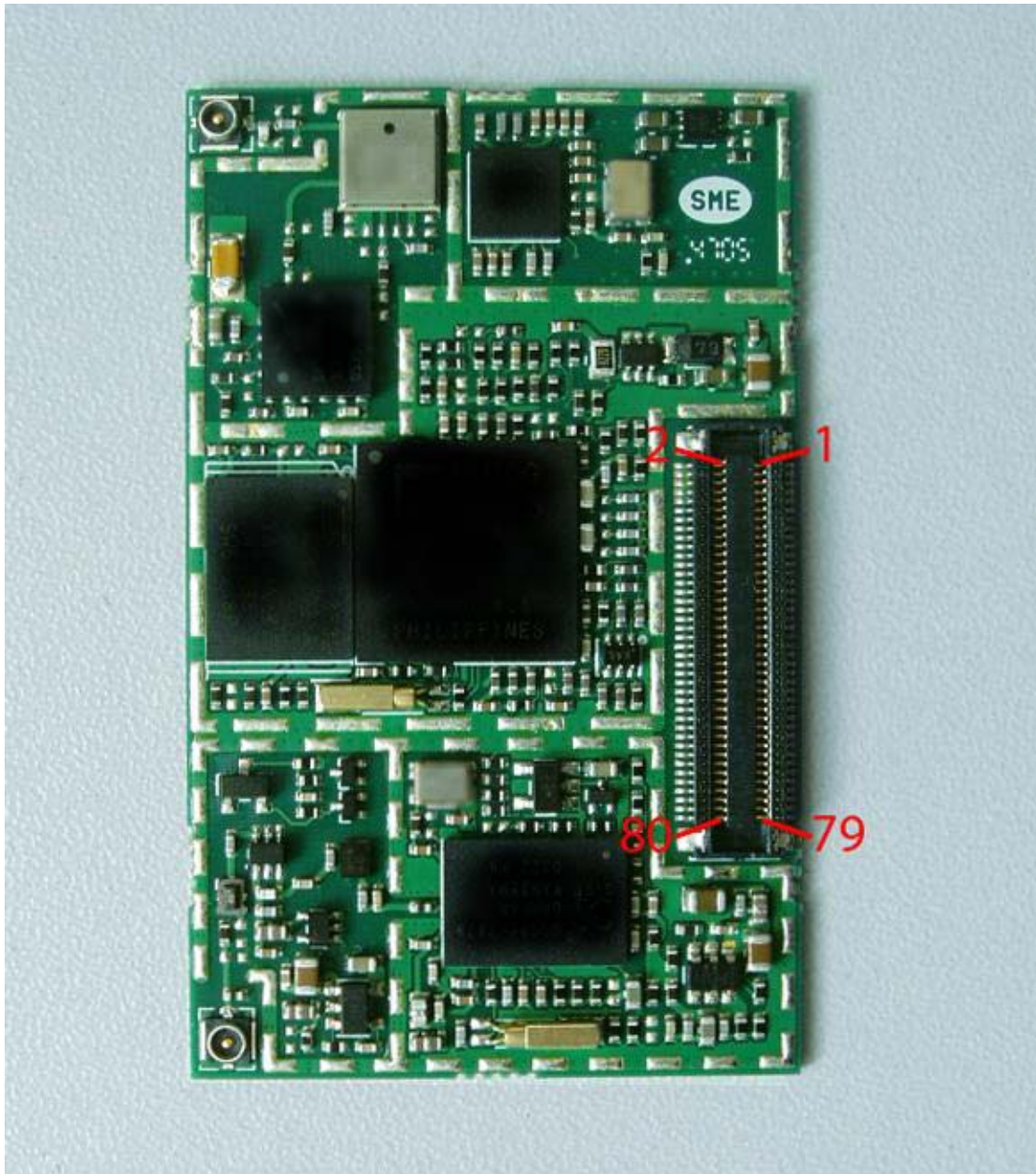


Figure 34: physical SIM508