Compact Wireless M-Bus Radio Module

868 MHz SRD Band

Key Features

- Low-cost Wireless M-Bus radio module (868 MHz SRD Band)
- Embedded Wireless M-Bus according to EN13757-4:2013 standard
- Range* up to 700 m (line of sight)
- Small form factor: 17 x 27 x 4 mm
- · Optimized for battery use
- Easy switching between operating modes S, T, and C¹
- · Communication and configuration via UART Interface
- Supports data encryption AES128 (Mode 4 + 5)
- Conforms with EU RED 2014/53/EU
- · Available on Tape & Reel for SMD mounting



Description

The Wireless M-Bus standard (EN13757-4:2013) specifies the communication between water, gas, heat and electricity meters and concentrators. The standard comprises various operating modes (S, T, and C) to meet the requirements of one-way and two-way data communication in stationary and mobile systems.

The AMB8426-M is an all embedded low-cost wireless M-Bus radio module. The integrated protocol controls the entire data communication as well as block- and checksum-creation. Data packets are built and transmitted according to EN13757-4 specification. Configuration of parameters is handled via the UART interface as well as via Pins.

The quality of the radio link can be assessed by using the measured field strength (RSSI value). The surveillance of the transmit- and receive- processes is possible via digital outputs.

The customised application layer can be fully integrated into the radio module, thus eliminating the need for an external host microcontroller.

With line of sight the module reaches a range of up to 700m. The module is pre-certified for operation under the European radio regulations for license-free use. The radio module supports the AES-128 encryption standard (Mode 4 + 5).

Besides the operating modes according to the EN13757:4 it is also possible to freely configure the radio channel, as well as the RF-datarate as well as other parameters. A very low-power mode ensures long battery lifetime.

The AMB8426-M is a surface mount device and with its edge-tinned-pads it is suitable both for the automatic as well as for the manual mounting. It is available on Tape & Reel.

Interfaces

The AMB8426-M is connected to a host system via an UART interface with data rates of up to 115.2 kBaud. Alternatively, an SPI interface can be implemented upon request (separate firmware).

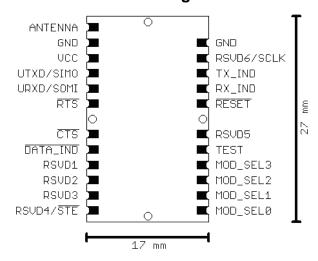
When using appropriate firmware, the module is also suitable for autonomously recording digital or analogue signals. Other pins can be used for data flow control and to switch between operating modes.

Range of Applications

The radio module is designed for automatic meter reading (AMR) applications for wireless data transmission according to the Wireless M-Bus specification EN13757-4. The radio module is designed to be integrated into meters, concentrators and mobile metering devices. Other applications are conceivable. Its compact dimensions and low-power consumption make the radio module ideal for battery-powered devices.

¹ C-mode implemented since FW-V2.0

Dimensions & Pin Assignment



Pad Name	Description	
ANTENNA	Antenna port	
GND	Ground	
VCC	Positive supply voltage	
UTXD, URXD	UART transmit, UART receive	
SIMO	Slave In Master Out (SPI in preparation)	
SOMI	Slave Out Master In (SPI in preparation)	
SCLK	SPI clock (SPI in preparation)	
/STE	Slave Transmit Enable (SPI in preparation)	
/RESET	Reset signal	
TX_IND	Signals radio transmission	
RX_IND	Signals radio reception	
MOD_SELx	MOD_SELx wM-Bus mode preselect	
/RTS, /CTS	RTS, /CTS Hardware handshake	
/DATA_IND	Signals incoming data	
RSVDx	Reserved for future use	
TEST	Used for programming purposes	

Specifications

Performance	Range*	Up to 700 metres
	RF data rate	16.384 / 50 / 66.6 / 100 kcps (net) 32.768 / 50 / 100 kcps (gross)
	Interface data rate	Up to 115.2 kbps (UART)
	Output power	Up to 11 dBm (50 Ω)
	RF sensitivity	S: typ103 dBm T: typ100 dBm
General	Power supply voltage	2.2 – 3.6 V
	Power consumption	TX: typ. 38 mARX: typ. 24 mALow Power: typ. < 0.3 μA
	Dimensions	17 x 27 x 4 mm
	Operating temperature	-30 to +85 °C
	Weight	approx. 3 g
	Antenna	External antenna port (50 Ω)
RF technology	Frequency	868.30 MHz 868.95 MHz 869.525 MHz
	Modulation	2-FSK, GFSK
Conformity	Europe	EN 300 220, EN 301 489, EN 60950, EN 50371

^{*} Range stated is calculated assuming line-of-sight. Actual range will vary based upon operating mode, specific board integration, antenna selection and environmental conditions.

Related Products

- AMB8426-M-EV
- AMB8465-M

Ordering information

Part No.	Description
AMB8426-M	Wireless M-Bus Radio Module
AMB8426-M-TR	Wireless M-Bus Radio Module, Type & Reel



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