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1 Introduction

This document briefly describes the compatible design of UC15, UC20 and M10.

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2 General Descriptions




2.1. Product Description

The M10 is a Quad-band GSM/GPRS module, UC15 is a UMTS/HSDPA module including two variants, UC15-A and UC15-E, and UC20 is a UMTS/HSPA+ module including three variants, UC20-A, UC20-E and UC20-G. The following tables show the frequency bands and general information of the module.

Table 1: Module Frequency Bands

Module	Frequency Bands
M10	GSM850/900/1800/1900
UC15-A	GSM850/900/1800/1900, UMTS850/1900
UC15-E	GSM900/1800, UMTS900/2100
UC20-A	UMTS850/1900
UC20-E	GSM850/900/1800/1900, UMTS900/2100
UC20-G	GSM850/900/1800/1900, UMTS800/850/900/1900/2100

Table 2: Module General Information

Module Name	Appearance	Packaging	Dimensions	Description
M10		64-pin LCC	29 x29 x3.6mm	GSM/GPRS module
UC15		68-pin LCC+40 other pads	29 x29 x2.5mm	UMTS/HSDPA module (UC15-A and UC15-E)
UC20		72-pin LCC+40 other pads	29 x32 x2.5mm	UMTS/HSPA+ module (UC20-A, UC20-E and UC20-G)

UC15, UC20 and M10 are designed as compatible products. You can choose the right module for your applications. Under the help of the compatible design guideline, you can migrate your products among UC15, UC20 and M10 module smoothly.

2.2. Pin Assignment

The following figure shows the pin assignment of M10, UC15 and UC20.

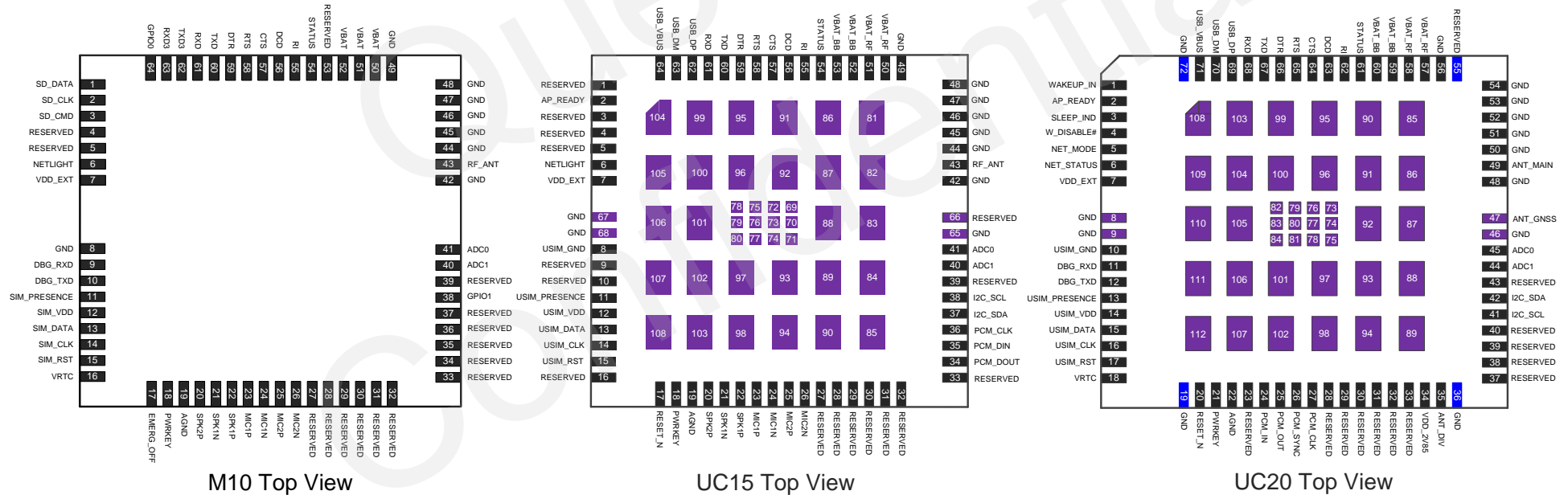


Figure 1: UC15&UC20&M10 Pin Assignment

NOTES

1. The **purple** pins of UC15 are the additional pins compared with M10.
2. The **blue** pins of UC20 are the additional pins compared with UC15.
3. Pay attention to the differences of pin's number and size among these three modules.

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3 Pin Description

This chapter describes the pin definition and assignment of UC15, UC20 and M10.

Table 3: Parameters

Symbol	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

The following table shows pins comparison among UC15, UC20 and M10.

Table 4: Pins Comparison

M10				UC15				UC20			
Pin NO.	Pin Name	IO	Power Domain	Pin NO.	Pin Name	IO	Power Domain	Pin NO.	Pin Name	IO	Power Domain
1	SD_DATA	IO	2.8V	1	RESERVED	-	-	1	WAKEUP_IN	DI	1.8V
2	SD_CLK	DO	2.8V	2	AP_READY	DI	2.6V	2	AP_READY	DI	1.8V
3	SD_CMD	DO	2.8V	3	RESERVED	-	-	3	SLEEP_IND	DO	1.8V
4	RESERVED	-	-	4	RESERVED	-	-	4	W_DISABLE#	DI	1.8V
5	RESERVED	-	-	5	RESERVED	-	-	5	NET_MODE	DO	1.8V
6	NETLIGHT	DO	2.8V	6	NETLIGHT	DO	2.6V	6	NET_STATUS	DO	1.8V
7	VDD_EXT	PO	2.8V	7	VDD_EXT	PO	2.6V	7	VDD_EXT	PO	1.8V
-	-	-	-	67	GND	-	Ground	8	GND	-	Ground
-	-	-	-	68	GND	-	Ground	9	GND	-	Ground
8	GND	-	Ground	8	USIM_GND	-	Ground	10	USIM_GND	-	Ground
9	DBG_RXD	DI	2.8V	9	RESERVED	-	-	11	DBG_RXD	DI	1.8V

10	DBG_TXD	DO	2.8V	10	RESERVED	-	-	12	DBG_TXD	DO	1.8V
11	SIM_PRESENCE	DI	2.8V	11	USIM_PRESENCE	DI	2.6V	13	USIM_PRESENCE	DI	1.8V
12	SIM_VDD	PO	1.8/3.0V	12	USIM_VDD	PO	1.8/3.0V	14	USIM_VDD	PO	1.8/3.0V
13	SIM_DATA	IO	1.8/3.0V	13	USIM_DATA	IO	1.8/3.0V	15	USIM_DATA	IO	1.8/3.0V
14	SIM_CLK	DO	1.8/3.0V	14	USIM_CLK	DO	1.8/3.0V	16	USIM_CLK	DO	1.8/3.0V
15	SIM_RST	DO	1.8/3.0V	15	USIM_RST	DO	1.8/3.0V	17	USIM_RST	DO	1.8/3.0V
16	VRTC	IO	1.5~3.3V	16	RESERVED	-	-	18	VRTC	IO	1.5~3.25V
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	GND	-	Ground
17	EMERG_OFF	DI	2.8V	17	RESET_N	DI	1.8V	20	RESET_N	DI	1.8V
18	PWRKEY	DI	VBAT	18	PWRKEY	DI	1.8V	21	PWRKEY	DI	1.8V
19	AGND	-	Ground	19	AGND	-	Ground	22	AGND	-	Ground
20	SPK2P	AO	-	20	SPK2P	AO	-	23	RESERVED	-	-
21	SPK1N	AO	-	21	SPK1N	AO	-	24	PCM_IN	DI	1.8V
22	SPK1P	AO	-	22	SPK1P	AO	-	25	PCM_OUT	DO	1.8V
23	MIC1P	AI	-	23	MIC1P	AI	-	26	PCM_SYNC	IO	1.8V
24	MIC1N	AI	-	24	MIC1N	AI	-	27	PCM_CLK	IO	1.8V
25	MIC2P	AI	-	25	MIC2P	AI	-	28	RESERVED	-	-

26	MIC2N	AI	-	26	MIC2N	AI	-	29	RESERVED	-	-
27	RESERVED	-	-	27	RESERVED	-	-	30	RESERVED	-	-
28	RESERVED	-	-	28	RESERVED	-	-	31	RESERVED	-	-
29	RESERVED	-	-	29	RESERVED	-	-	32	RESERVED	-	-
30	RESERVED	-	-	30	RESERVED	-	-	33	RESERVED	-	-
31	RESERVED	-	-	31	RESERVED	-	-	34	VDD_2V85	PO	2.85V
32	RESERVED	-	-	32	RESERVED	-	-	35	ANT_DIV	AI	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	GND	-	Ground
33	RESERVED	-	-	33	RESERVED	-	-	37	RESERVED	-	-
34	RESERVED	-	-	34	PCM_DOUT	DO	2.6V	38	RESERVED	-	-
35	RESERVED	-	-	35	PCM_DIN	DI	2.6V	39	RESERVED	-	-
36	RESERVED	-	-	36	PCM_CLK	IO	2.6V	40	RESERVED	-	-
37	RESERVED	-	-	37	PCM_SYNC	IO	2.6V	41	I2C_SCL	OD	1.8V only
38	GPIO1	IO	2.8V	38	I2C_SDA	IO	2.6V	42	I2C_SDA	OD	1.8V only
39	RESERVED	-	-	39	I2C_SCL	DO	2.6V	43	RESERVED	-	-
40	ADC1	AI	0~2.8V	40	ADC1	AI	0~2.1V	44	ADC1	AI	0.2~4.2V
41	ADC0	AI	0~2.8V	41	ADC0	AI	0~2.1V	45	ADC0	AI	0.2~2.1V

-	-	-	-	65	GND	-	Ground	46	GND	-	Ground
-	-	-	-	66	RESERVED	-	-	47	ANT_GNSS	AI	-
42	GND	-	Ground	42	GND	-	Ground	48	GND	-	Ground
43	RF_ANT	IO	-	43	RF_ANT	IO	-	49	ANT_MAIN	IO	-
44	GND	-	Ground	44	GND	-	Ground	50	GND	-	Ground
45	GND	-	Ground	45	GND	-	Ground	51	GND	-	Ground
46	GND	-	Ground	46	GND	-	Ground	52	GND	-	Ground
47	GND	-	Ground	47	GND	-	Ground	53	GND	-	Ground
48	GND	-	Ground	48	GND	-	Ground	54	GND	-	Ground
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55	RESERVED	-	-
49	GND	-	Ground	49	GND	-	Ground	56	GND	-	Ground
50	VBAT	PI	3.3~4.6V	50	VBAT_RF	PI	3.3~4.3V	57	VBAT_RF	PI	3.3~4.3V
51	VBAT	PI	3.3~4.6V	51	VBAT_RF	PI	3.3~4.3V	58	VBAT_RF	PI	3.3~4.3V
52	VBAT	PI	3.3~4.6V	52	VBAT_BB	PI	3.3~4.3V	59	VBAT_BB	PI	3.3~4.3V
53	RESERVED	-	-	53	VBAT_BB	PI	3.3~4.3V	60	VBAT_BB	PI	3.3~4.3V
54	STATUS	DO	2.8V	54	STATUS	DO	2.6V	61	STATUS	OD	-
55	RI	DO	2.8V	55	RI	DO	2.6V	62	RI	DO	1.8V

56	DCD	DO	2.8V	56	DCD	DO	2.6V	63	DCD	DO	1.8V
57	CTS	DO	2.8V	57	CTS	DO	2.6V	64	CTS	DO	1.8V
58	RTS	DI	2.8V	58	RTS	DI	2.6V	65	RTS	DI	1.8V
59	DTR	DI	2.8V	59	DTR	DI	2.6V	66	DTR	DI	1.8V
60	TXD	DO	2.8V	60	TXD	DO	2.6V	67	TXD	DO	1.8V
61	RXD	DI	2.8V	61	RXD	DI	2.6V	68	RXD	DI	1.8V
62	TXD3	DO	2.8V	62	USB_DP	IO	-	69	USB_DP	IO	-
63	RXD3	DI	2.8V	63	USB_DM	IO	-	70	USB_DM	IO	-
64	GPIO0	IO	2.8V	64	USB_VBUS	PI	Typ.5V	71	USB_VBUS	PI	Typ.5V
-	-	-	-	69~ 80	RESERVED	-	-	73~ 84	RESERVED	-	-
-	-	-	-	81~ 108	GND	-	Ground	85~ 112	GND	-	Ground

NOTES

1. Keep all reserved and unused pins unconnected.
2. For different functional pins, if necessary, please reserve 0ohm resistors.
3. All GND pins should be connected to ground.

4 Recommended Footprint

The following figure shows the recommended compatible footprint of UC15, UC20 and M10.

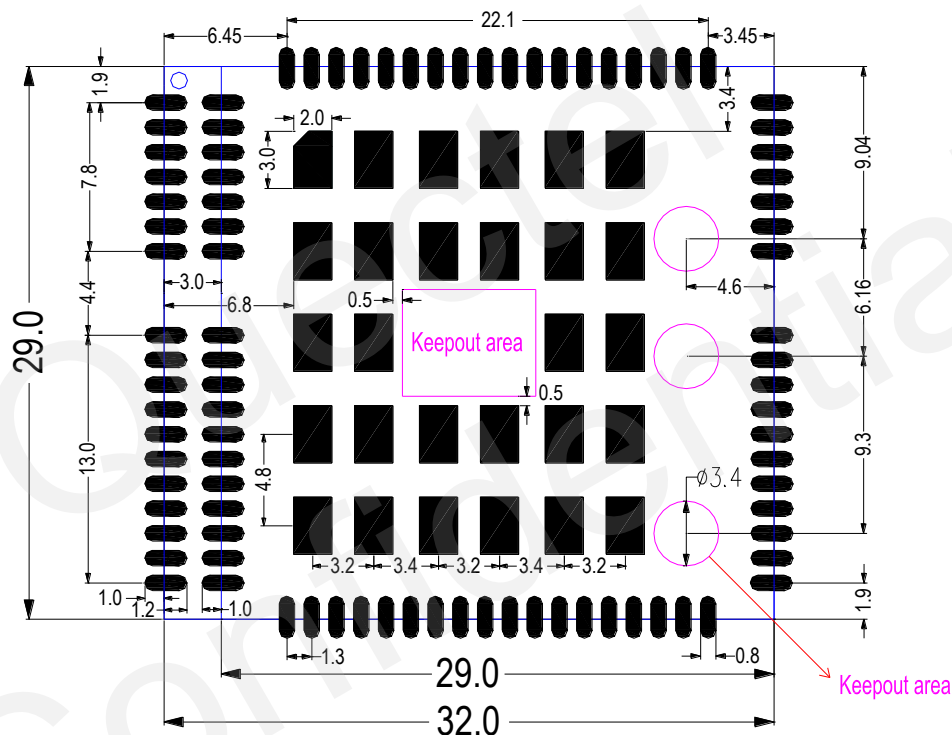


Figure 2: Recommended Footprint (Unit: mm)

NOTES

1. The areas in three circles should be kept out.
2. The area in the rectangle are the pins 69~80 of UC15 or pins 73~84 of UC20 used for factory test. It is recommended to keep this area out in PCB decal.
3. For details, please refer to **document [4]**.

The following figure shows the installation sketch map of UC15, UC20 and M10.

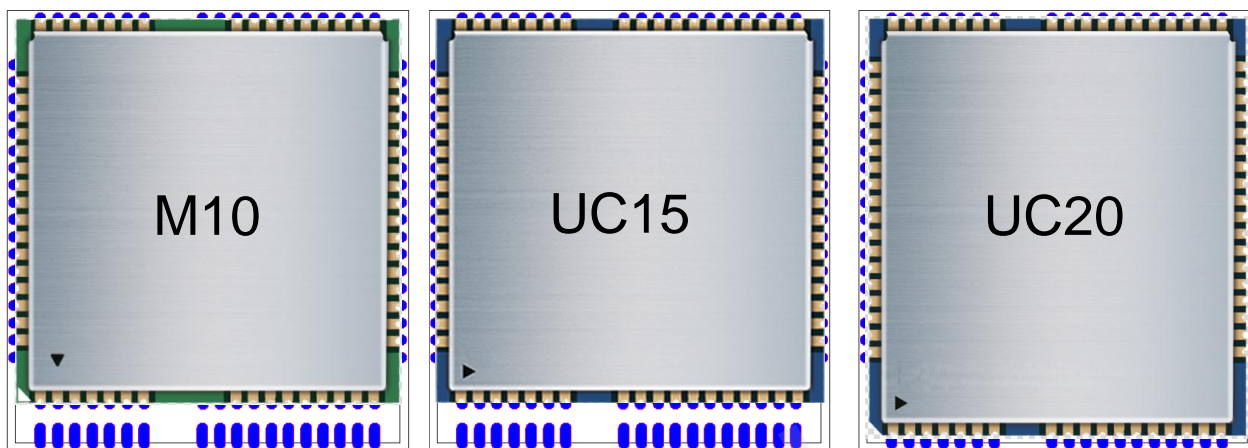


Figure 3: Actual Installation

5 Hardware Reference Design

The following chapters describe compatible design of UC15, UC20 and M10 on main functionalities.

5.1. Power on Circuit

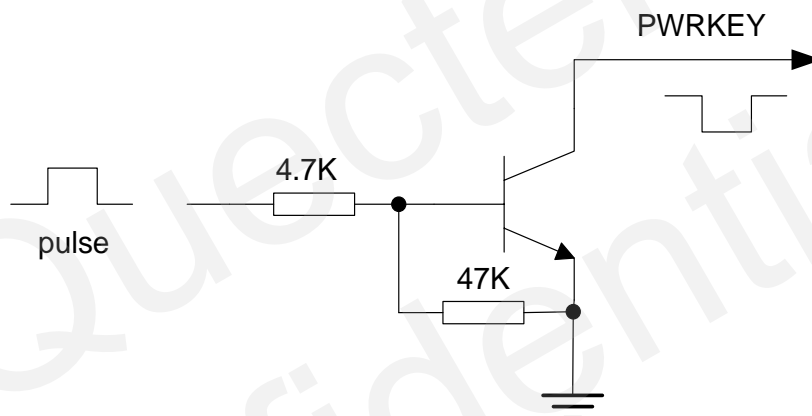


Figure 4: Turn on the Module Using Driving Circuit

5.2. RESET/EMERG_OFF Circuit

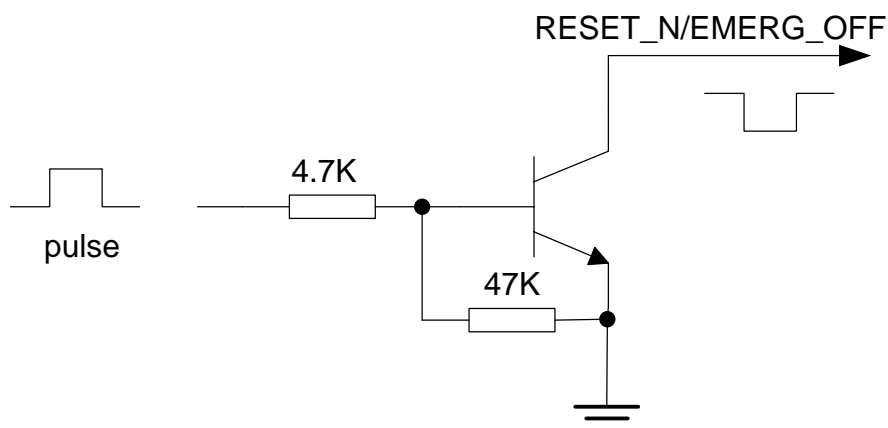


Figure 5: Urgently Turn off or Reset the Module

NOTE

As to UC15, the pulse time of reset must be between 50ms and 200ms, otherwise the module will be powered off.

5.3. Network Status Indication

The NETLIGHT (the NET_STATUS on UC20) signal can be used to drive a network status indicator LED. The following circuit is the reference design of NETLIGHT.

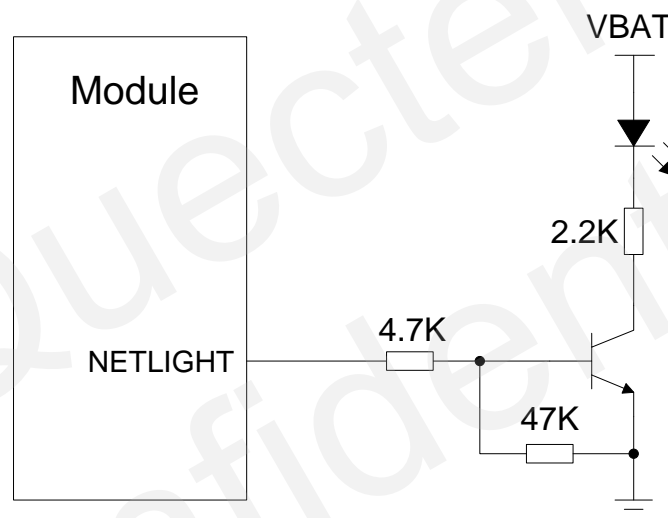


Figure 6: Reference Circuit of the NETLIGHT

5.4. Operating Status Indication

STATUS outputs high level after module is turned on successfully. STATUS of UC15 and M10 is a general purpose output type pin, while UC20's STATUS is open-drain output. The following figure shows the reference circuit of LED driving for UC15/M10 and UC20 modules.

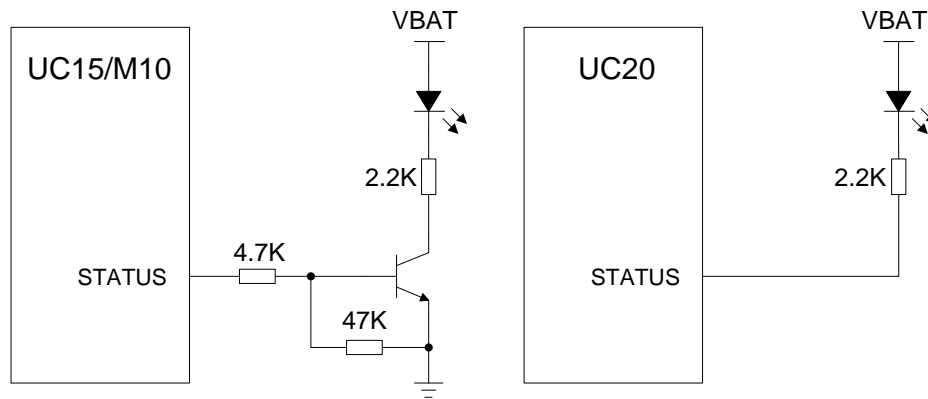


Figure 7: Reference Circuit of the STATUS

5.5. AP_READY

AP_READY design is needed in sleep application of UC15 and UC20 module. Module needs to detect the host's sleep state to avoid the URC loss. And AP_READY of UC15/UC20 can be configured to high level or low level active by command. The default configuration is low level active. You can refer to AT command manual for details. The following figure shows the reference circuit.

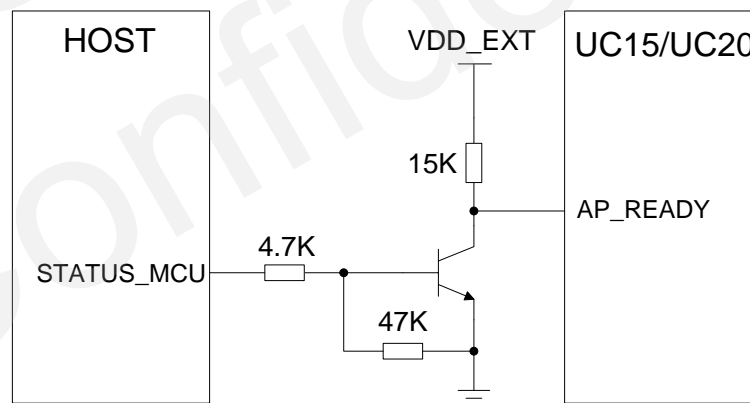


Figure 8: Reference Circuit of the AP_READY

5.6. USB Interface

UC15 and UC20 contain one integrated Universal Serial Bus (USB) transceiver which complies with the USB 2.0 specification and supports high speed (480 Mbps), full speed (12 Mbps) and low speed (1.5 Mbps) mode. The USB interfaces of UC15 and UC20 are primarily used for AT command, data transmission, software debugging and firmware upgrade. Besides, the USB interface of UC20 can be

used as GNSS NMEA output. More details about the USB 2.0 specifications, please visit <http://www.usb.org/home>.

The following figure shows the reference circuit of USB interface.

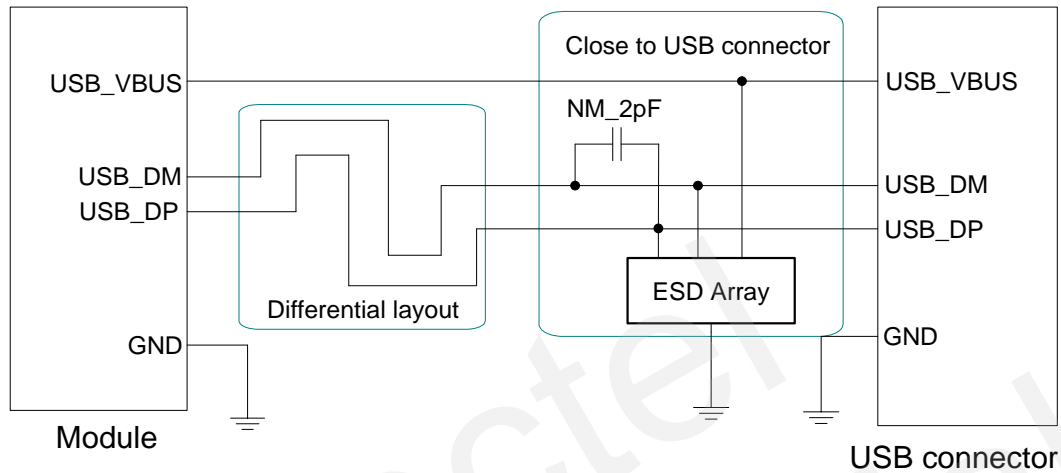


Figure 9: Reference Circuit of the USB Application

In order to ensure the USB interface design corresponding with the USB 2.0 specification, please do remember to comply with the following principles:

- Keep the ESD components as closer to the USB connector as possible.
- Pay attention to the influence of junction capacitance of ESD component on USB data lines. Typically, the capacitance value should be less than 2pF.
- It is important to route the USB signal traces as differential pairs with total grounding. The impedance of USB differential trace is 90ohm.
- 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 not only upper and lower layer but also right and left side.

NOTE

UC15 and UC20 module can only be used as a USB slave device, and M10 does not support USB interface.

5.7. SIM Interface

All of these module support 1.8V or 3.0V SIM cards automatically, moreover, UC15 and UC20 support USIM cards.

You can tie UC20's USIM pins to UC15/M10's directly and then route to SIM card cassette. The following figure shows the SIM reference design with SIM card detection function.

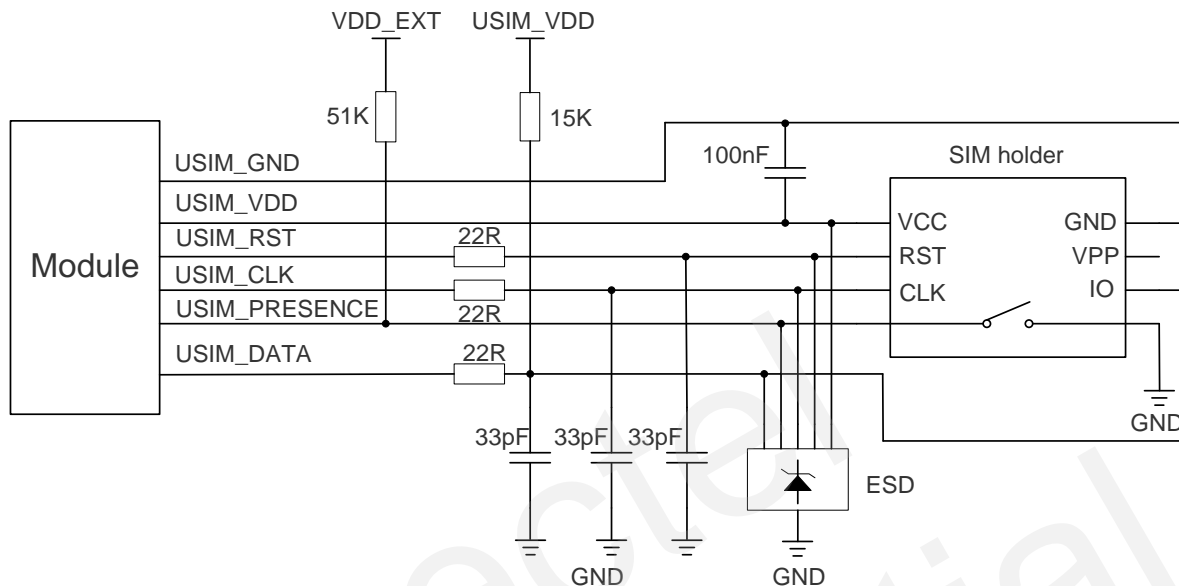


Figure 10: Reference Design of SIM Interface

5.8. UART Interface

Because of the different power domain of the UART interface, you need to add level match circuit between UC15/M10 or UC20 module and MCU.

The following circuit shows reference design of UART interface level match.

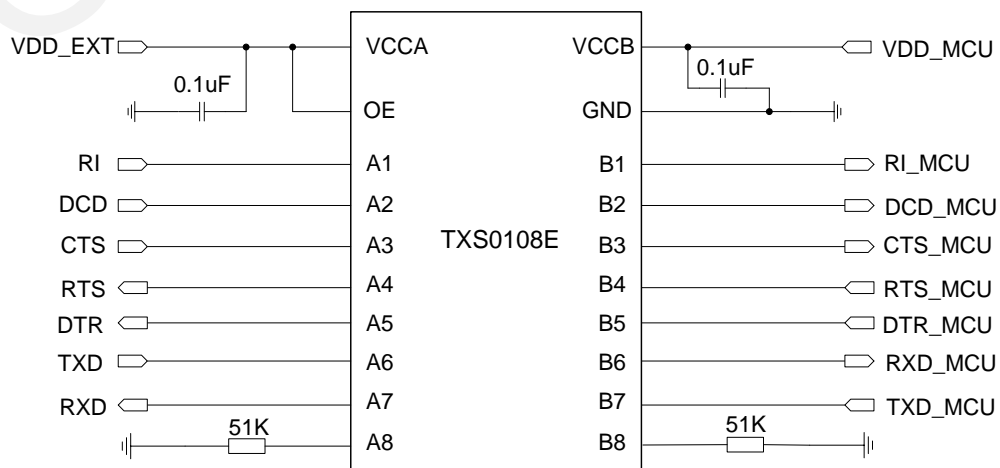


Figure 11: Reference Design of UART Interface

NOTES

1. UART pins of UC15 belong to 2.6V power domain.
2. UART pins of UC20 belong to 1.8V power domain.
3. UART pins of M10 belong to 2.8V power domain.

5.9. ADC Interface

All modules have two ADC pins for general purpose analog-to-digital converter. But there are some differences in their voltage range. The following table shows the differences.

Table 5: ADC Voltage Range

Channel	UC15	UC20	M10
ADC0	0~2.1V	0.2~2.1V	0~2.8V
ADC1	0~2.1V	0.2~4.2V	0~2.8V

5.10. RF Interface

The UC15/M10 pin 43 (UC20 pin 49) is the RF antenna pad. The RF interface has an impedance of 50Ω. A reference circuit is shown in the following figure. In order to adjust RF performance, it should reserve a π -type matching circuit. By default, the resistance of R1 is 0Ω and capacitors C1 and C2 are not mounted.

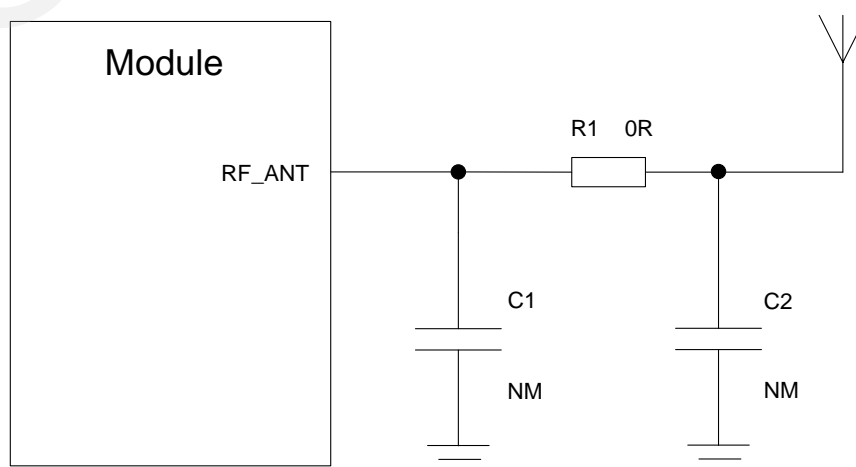


Figure 12: Reference Circuit of RF Interface

5.11. Power Supply

The power supply range of the UC15&UC20 is 3.3~4.3V, and M10 is 3.3~4.6V. Attention should be paid in the range of the power source to make sure that the input voltage will never drop below 3.3V and never exceed 4.3V. The typical power supply of UC15 and UC20 is 3.8V. 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. The VBAT to VBAT_BB and VBAT_RF pins should be divided into two separated paths in star structure. It is also applicable to M10. In addition, in order to get a stable output voltage, it is suggested to use a zener diode whose reverse zener voltage is 5.1V and power dissipation is more than 0.5 watt.

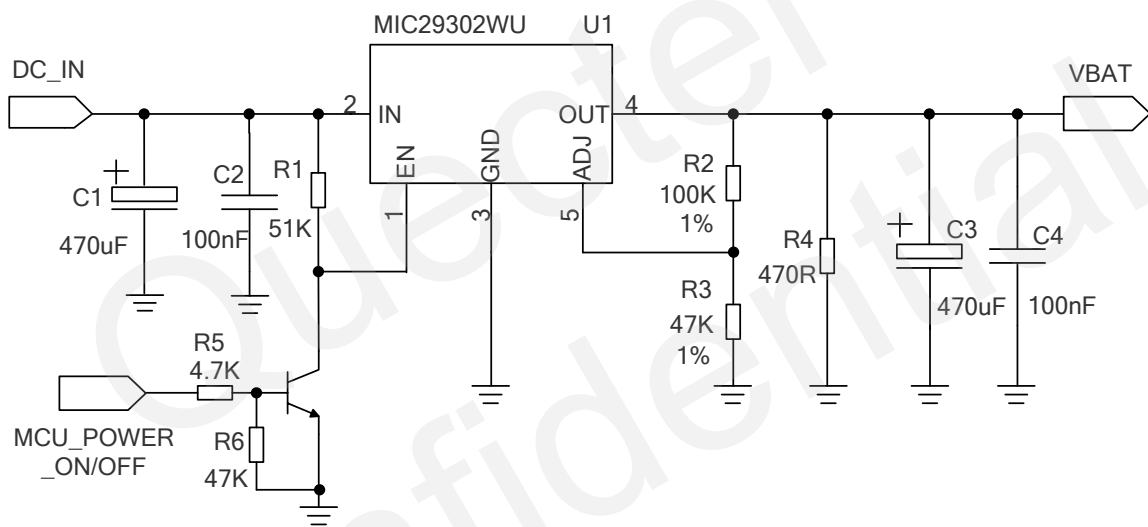


Figure 13: Reference Circuit of Power Supply

NOTE

When module cannot be turned off by PWRKEY pin or in other abnormal status, it is suggested to switch off the power supply for module and power it on later.

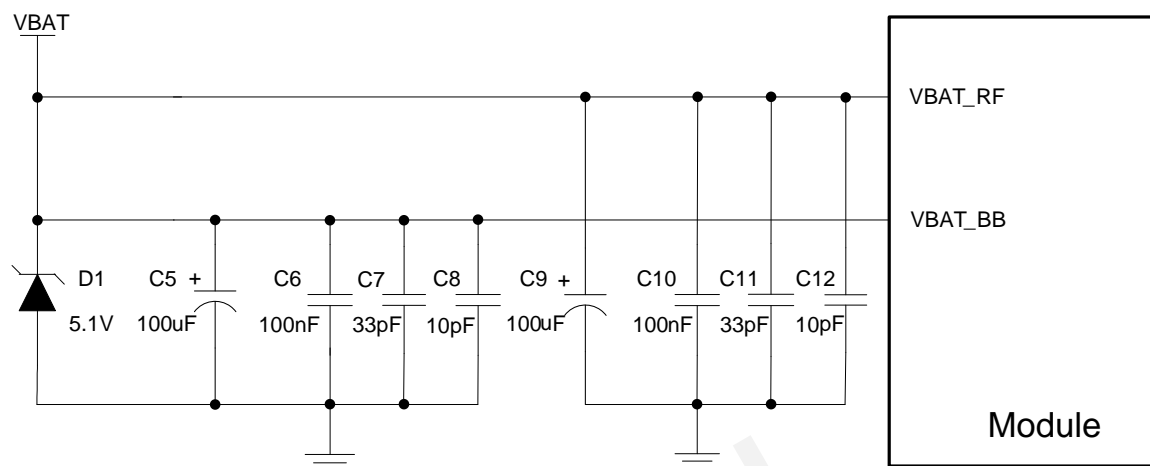


Figure 14: Reference Circuit of Star Structure

6 Appendix A

Table 6: Related Documents

SN	Document Name	Remark
[1]	Quectel_UC15_Hardware_Design	Quectel UC15 Hardware Design
[2]	Quectel_UC20_Hardware_Design	Quectel UC20 Hardware Design
[3]	Quectel_M10_Hardware_Design	Quectel M10 Hardware Design
[4]	Quectel_UC15&UC20_Part&Decal	Quectel UC15&UC20 Compatible Footprint