

User Manual of SFM20R4(Rev1.0)

1. Introduction

The SFM20R4 module is a quad mode module supporting Sigfox, BLE, WiFi and GPS.

This Module able to transmit and receive messages using the SIGFOX network.

The typical applications can be used as a low power tracking device.

The application use WIFI or GPS to determine location. It will then transmit the location information via SIGFOX. It also will transmit other information like temperature, accelerometer, and so on.

2. Hardware Architecture:

2.1 Main Chipset Information

Item	Vendor	Part Number
SigFox	ON semiconductor	AX-SFUS-1-01
BLE	NORDIC semiconductor	nRF52832
WIFI	ESPRESSIF	ESP8285
GPS(GLONASS)	UBLOX	UBX-G8020

2.2 Circuit Block Diagram

The major internal and external block diagram of SFM20R4 is illustrated in Figure 1-1.



Figure 1-1 SFM20R4 block diagram and System Interface

3. Operational Description

-SIGFOX

SIGFOX able to transmit and receive messages using the SIGFOX network. This module address the RCZ4(Australia, new Zealand).

-BLE

Bluetooth 4.2 optimized for low-power applications.

The RADIO contains a 2.4 GHz radio receiver and a 2.4 GHz radio transmitter that is compatible with Nordic's proprietary 1 Mbps and 2 Mbps radio modes in addition to 1 Mbps *Bluetooth®* low energy mode.

-WIFI

ESP8285 implements TCP/IP, the full 802.11 b/g/n/e/i WLAN MAC protocol and Wi-Fi

Direct specification. It supports not only basic service set (BSS) operations under the distributed control function (DCF) but also P2P group operation compliant with the latest Wi-Fi P2P protocol. Low level protocol functions are handled automatically by ESP8285.

- RTS/CTS
- acknowledgement
- fragmentation and defragmentation
- aggregation
- frame encapsulation (802.11h/RFC 1042)
- · automatic beacon monitoring / scanning, and
- P2P Wi-Fi direct

Passive or active scanning, as well as P2P discovery procedure is performed autonomously once initiated by the appropriate command. Power management is handled with minimum interaction with host to minimize active duty period.

-GPS (GLONASS)

The application use GPS(GLONASS) to determine location. It will then transmit the location information via SIGFOX. It also will transmit other information like temperature, accelerometer, and so on.

3.1 Features

- SIGFOX

- > Sigfox up-link and down-link functionality controlled by AT commands
- > Temperature sensor
- > Ultra-low power consumption
- > High performance narrow-band Sigfox
- BLE
- > Based on Nordic Semiconductor nRF52832 Bluetooth Smart Soc (ARM Cortex –M4F, 512KB flash, and 64KB RAM embedded)
- > Ultra-low power multiprotocol support
- > BLE Wireless application
- > Bluetooth specification Version 4.2 (LE single mode) compliant
- > External interface: 32 GPIO pins for NFC(tag), SPI, TWI, UART, Crystal (32.768 KHz) and ADC

-WIFI

- > 2.4 GHz receiver
- > 2.4 GHz transmitter
- > High speed clock generators and crystal oscillator
- > Real-Time Clock
- > Bias and regulators
- > Power management

-GPS (GLONASS)

blox 8 position engine featuring: ver 2 million effective correlators

> down to 1 s acquisition time

- > up to 18 Hz navigation update rate in single GNSS mode
- > Supports GPS and GLONASS as well as SBAS and QZSS
- > Supports u-blox's AssistNow Online / AssistNow Offline A-GNSS services and is OMA SUPL 1.0 compliant
- > Supports u-blox's AssistNow Autonomous (no connectivity required)
- > Supports crystal oscillator and TCXO
- > Supports a built-in DC/DC converter and an intelligent, user configurable power management
- > Supports data logging, odometer, geo-fencing, spoofing detection, and message integrity protection.

3.2 Time base of the RF frequency

-SIGFOX

For Sigfox RF frequency, a TCXO(48MHz) is a clock reference.

-BLE

Using external 32.768 kHz crystal for RTC.

The 64 MHz crystal oscillator (HFXO) is controlled by a 32 MHz external crystal.

-WIFI

The high frequency clock on ESP8285 is used to drive both transmit and receive mixers. This clock is generated from internal crystal oscillator and external crystal. The crystal frequency is 26 MHz.

-GPS(GLONASS)

The RTC is driven internally by a 32.768 Hz oscillator, which makes use of an external RTC crystal. For GPS(GLONASS) RF frequency, a TCXO(26MHz) is a clock reference.

3.3 Transmission

-SIGFOX

The Tx path produces a DBPSK-modulated signal. modulate RF signal generated by the synthesizer. The modulated RF signal is fed to the integrated RX/TX switch and antenna interface and then out of the AX-SFUS-1-01.

-BLE

The RADIO contains a 2.4 GHz radio receiver and a 2.4 GHz radio transmitter that is compatible with Nordic's proprietary 1 Mbps and 2 Mbps radio modes in addition to 1 Mbps *Bluetooth®* low energy mode.

-WIFI

The 2.4 GHz transmitter up-converts the quadrature baseband signals to 2.4 GHz, and drives the antenna with a high-power CMOS power amplifier. The function of digital calibration further improves the linearity of the power amplifier, enabling a state of art performance of delivering +19.5 dBm average power for 802.11b ransmission and +16dBm for 802.11n transmission.

Additional calibrations are integrated to offset any imperfections of the radio, such as:

- Carrier leakage
- I/Q phase matching
- Baseband nonlinearities

These built-in calibration functions reduce the product test time and make the test equipment unnecessary.

3.4 Receiver

-SIGFOX

The Rx path is able to receive 922.3MHz signal and the noise amplifier is built in the inside of the chip, it amplifies the received signal by the low noise amplifier according to the receiving intensity, and the amplified signal is converted into the digital signal through the ADC, Packets will be interpreted.

-BLE

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-WIFI

The 2.4-GHz receiver down-converts the RF signals to quadrature baseband signals and converts them to the digital domain with 2 high resolution high speed ADCs. To adapt to varying signal channel conditions, RF filters, automatic gain control (AGC), DC offset cancelation circuits and baseband filters are integrated within ESP8285.

-GPS(GLONASS)

u-blox 8 GNSS chips are single GNSS receivers which can receive and track either GPS or GLONASS signals. By default the u-blox 8 receivers are configured for GPS, including SBAS and QZSS reception. If power consumption is a key factor, then QZSS and SBAS should be disabled.

3.5 Product Details

-SIGFOX

> Data Modulation

- -TX : DBPSK
- -RX : 2GFSK

> Frequency :

Sigfox zone	Uplink(TX)	Downlink(RX)
RCZ4 (Australia, new Zealand)	920.8MHz	922.3MHz

-BLE

> Data Modulation : GFSK

> Frequency : 2402-2480MHz

-WIFI

- > Data Modulation : -DSSS:CCK,BPSK,QPSK for 802.11b
 -OFDM:BPSK,QPSK,16QAM,64QAM for 802.11g,n (HT20)
- > Frequency Range : 2412-2484MHz

-GPS(GLONASS)

> Data Modulation : BPSK

> Frequency :

-GPS : 1575.42MHz

-GLONASS : Around 1602MHz

3.6 Output Power tolerance

- SIGFOX Output power : +/- 1.5dB
- BLE Output power : +/- 4.0dB
- WIFI Output power : +/- 2.5dB

3.7 SFM20R4 Category of signal

1)	ategorization as Correlated or Completely Uncorrelated
	or the purposes of this guidance, transmitter output signals are considered correlated if any of the
	sllowing are true:
	 The same digital data are transmitted from two or more antennas in a given symbol period, even with different coding or phase shifts; or,
	 Correlation between two transmitted signals exists at any frequency and time delay; or.
	· Multiple transmitter outputs serve to focus energy in a given direction or to a given receiver; or,
	 The operating mode combines correlated techniques with uncorrelated techniques.

3.8 Simultaneous transmission

	B LE	SIGFOX	2.4GHz WiFi	GPS
B LE		0	0	0
SIGFOX	0		N/A	N/A
2.4GHz WiFi	0	N/A		N/A
GPS	0	N/A	N/A	

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5. Warning Statements

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FCC Part 15.19 Statements:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

FCC Part 15.21 statement

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment

Modular Approval Statement

Regulatory notice to host manufacturer according to KDB 996369 D03 OEM Manual

This module has been granted modular approval as below listed FCC rule parts. -FCC Rule parts 15C (15.247)



Summarize the specific operational use conditions

-The OEM integrator should use equivalent antennas which is the same type and equal or less gain then an antenna listed below this instruction manual.

Limited module Procedures

This module is certified as limited modular approval because of lack of both conditions of SMA type connector antenna, so the host manufacturer needs to be followed the installation guidance explained below.

1. Antenna Installation Guidance

- 1) The antenna used must be used in the specified antenna type and maximum antenna gain as listed below:
 - -. Antenna type: External dipole
 - -. Max. peak Antenna gain: 2.01 dBi (Sigfox) / 4.44 dBi (BLE, Wi-Fi)

If a different type or higher gain antenna is used, additional authorization is required.

- The OEM manufacturer, responsible for installing this module into the host device, must ensure that end-users do not have access to the antenna and connector, in compliance with FCC Section 15.203.
- 3) the antenna connector must not be accessible to the end-user when installed into the host device and the host device must ensure the module and antenna are installed in accordance with the installation guidance.

Antennas list

The antenna certified with this module is listed following.

- -. Antenna type: External dipole
- 1) INNO-EWFSWS-151
- -. Max. peak Antenna gain: 4.44 dBi (BLE, Wi-Fi)
- 2) INNO-EL9SWS-149
- -. Max. peak Antenna gain: 2.01 dBi (Sigfox)

A host manufacturer must not use the other types of antenna and an antenna with a gain that exceeds the values listed in this documents.

RF exposure considerations

-The module has been certified for integration into products only by OEM integrators under the following condition: -The antenna(s) must be installed such that a minimum separation distance of at least 20 cm is maintained between the radiator (antenna) and all persons at all times.

-The transmitter module must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter except in accordance with FCC multi-transmitter product procedures.

-Mobile use

As long as the three conditions above are met, further transmitter testing will not be required. OEM integrators should provide the minimum separation distance to end users in their end-product manuals.

End Product Labeling

The module is labeled with its own FCC ID. If the FCC ID are not visible when the module is installed inside another device, then the outside of the device into which the module is installed must also display a label referring to the enclosed module. In that case, the final end product must be labeled in a visible area with the following:

Contains FCC ID: 2BEK7SFM20R4

Contains IC: 32019-SFM20R4

Information on test modes and additional testing requirements

-OEM integrator is still responsible for testing their end-product for any additional compliance requirements required with this module installed (for example, digital device emissions, PC peripheral requirements, additional transmitter in the host, etc.).

Additional testing, Part 15 Subpart B disclaimer

-The final host product also requires Part 15 subpart B compliance testing with the modular transmitter installed to



be properly authorized for operation as a Part 15 digital device.

Manual Information To the End User

The OEM integrator has to be aware not to provide information to the end user regarding how to install or remove this RF module or change RF related parameters in the user manual of the end product.

Note EMI Considerations

Note that a host manufacture is recommended to use D04 Module Integration Guide recommending as "best practice" RF design engineering testing and evaluation in case non-linear interactions generate additional noncompliant limits due to module placement to host components or properties For standalone mode, reference the guidance in D04 Module Integration Guide and for simultaneous mode; see

D02 Module Q&A Question 12, which permits the host manufacturer to confirm compliance.

How to make changes

Since only Grantees are permitted to make permissive changes, when the module will be used differently than granted, please contact the module manufacture on below contact information. -. Contact information: wskim@seongji.co.kr/ +82-31-223-7048

l'exposition aux RF L'antenne (ou les antennes) doit être installée de façon à maintenir à tout instant une distance minimum de au moins 20 cm entre la source de radiation (l'antenne) et toute personne physique.

Étiquetage du produit final Le module SFM20R4 est étiqueté avec sa propre identification ISED et son propre numéro de certification IC. Si l'identification ISED et le numéro de certification ISED ne sont pas visibles lorsque le module est installé à l'intérieur d'un autre dispositif, la partie externe du dispositive dans lequel le module est installé devra également présenter une étiquette faisant référence au module inclus. Dans ce cas, le produit final devra être étiqueté sur une zone visible avec les informations suivantes :

« Contient module émetteur IC : 32019-SFM20R4

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) this device may not cause interference, and

(2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Cet appareil est conforme avec Industrie Canada exempts de licence standard RSS (s). L'opération est soumise aux deux conditions suivantes:

(1) cet appareil ne peut causer d'interférences, et

(2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, y compris les interférences qui peuvent causer un mauvais fonctionnement de l'appareil.



RSS-GEN, Sec. 6.8

This radio transmitter [32019-SFM20R4] has been approved by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada to operate with the antenna types listed below, with the maximum permissible gain indicated. Antenna types not included in this list that have a gain greater than the maximum gain indicated for any type listed are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

- -. Antenna type: External dipole
- 1) INNO-EWFSWS-151
- -. Max. peak Antenna gain: 4.44 dBi (BLE, Wi-Fi)
- 2) INNO-EL9SWS-149
- -. Max. peak Antenna gain: 2.01 dBi (Sigfox)

Le présent émetteur radio [32019-SFM11R2D] a été approuvé par Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada pour fonctionner avec les types d'antenne énumérés ci-dessous et ayant un gain admissible maximal. Les types d'antenne non inclus dans cette liste, et dont le gain est supérieur au gain maximal indiqué pour tout type figurant sur la liste, sont strictement interdits pour l'exploitation de l'émetteur.

- -. Type d'antenne : Dipôle externe
- 1) INNO-EWFSWS-151
- -. Gain maximal en crête de l'antenne : 4,44 dBi (BLE, Wi-Fi)
- 2) INNO-EL9SWS-149
- -. Gain maximal en crête de l'antenne : 2,01 dBi (Sigfox)"

4. Antenna Trace Design for Host devices

a) Trace layout and dimensions including specific designs for each type:

1) Layout of trace design, parts, antenna, connectors, and isolation requirements;

→ All RF trace must be 50 ohm line. Connectors are required to use SMA Type connector. And Antenna is required to use dipole antenna manufactured by Inno-Link. Co., Ltd.. But, you must not give to access to antenna connector to user when you install this module into devices to be compliance with FCC section 15.203.

2) Boundary limits of size, thickness, length, width, shape(s), dielectric constant, and impedance must be clearly described for each type of antenna;

→ Antenna should be used only SMA type antenna manufactured by Inno-Link Co., Ltd.. Different antenna type is not acceptable.

3) Different antenna length and shapes affect radiated emissions, and each design shall be



considered a different type; e.g., antenna length in multiple(s) of frequency wavelength and antenna shape (traces in phase) can affect antenna gain and must be considered;
→ Different antenna is unacceptable.

b) Appropriate parts by manufacturer and specifications.

 For Sigfox antenna, INNO-EL9SWS-149 or similar part manufactured by Inno-Link. Co., Ltd.
 For Wi-Fi 2.4 GHz antenna, INNO-EL9SWS-151 or similar part manufactured by Inno-Link. Co., Ltd.

3) For BT LE antenna, INNO-EL9SWS-151 or similar part manufactured by Inno-Link. Co., Ltd.

c) Test procedures for design verification.

The manufacturer should verify that the antenna trace design on the PCB board is compliance with this Antenna Trace Design documents.

You connect the antenna connector of the device to the input of a measurement instrument. And you set the measurement instrument to the proper options for each frequency bands and conduct the test to get the output power from the antenna connector. The permissible output power range is in below table to verify the antenna trace design is appropriate for this documents.

Band	Output power	Tolerance
WIFi	19.5 dBm	+/- 2.5 dB
Sigfox	22.1385 dBm	+/- 1.5 dB
BT LE	3.48 dBm	+/- 4.0 dB

d) Production test procedures for ensuring compliance.

The host product itself is required to comply with all other applicable FCC equipment authorization regulations, requirements.

So, the host device should be tested for unintentional radiators under Part 15 subpart B for non-transmitter functions on the transmitter module as appropriate.

4) The above data is to be provided by a Gerber file (or equivalent) for PCB layout.





⇒ : 50 ohm matching pattern [PCB Top]



[PCB Bottom] [Antenna application PCB information] PCB Thickness: 1.6mm

