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Tip or Information – Provides advice and suggestions that may be useful when integrating the module.

All dates are in ISO 8601 format, i.e. YYYY-MM-DD.

1.6. Related Documents

- JN3 Hardware User Guide,
- JN3 EVK User Guide,
- JF2_JN3 Low Power Modes Application Note
- JF2_JN3 MEMS Application Note



2. General Product Description

Building upon the SiRFstarIV™ architecture's high-performance, the JN3 device incorporates innovations such as SiRFInstantFix™ and Active Jammer Removal. The JN3 can navigate to -160dBm and track to -163dBm, providing higher coverage, accuracy and availability. This next generation Jupiter Module consumes only 13mA (3.3V) in 1-Hz TricklePower™ mode. The JN3 offers A-GPS support and operate with a 3.3V power supply. JN3 supports a full range of satellite-based augmentation systems, including WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS and GAGAN.

The GPS module combines the SiRFstarIV™ GSD4e™ GPS engine, TCXO, SAW filter, RTC, LDO, level conversion and memory (Flash and EEPROM devices only).



3. Technical Description

High-speed Location Engine – Twice the available DSP memory and search speed of SiRFstarIII architecture for enhanced sensitivity and navigation performance, greater coverage, reduced time to fix and improved positional accuracy.

Battery Backup is supported via a separate pin for applications that use a battery backup source.

MEMS Sensor Interface (I²C DR Port) – Static detection is implemented and utilizes an accelerometer to determine if the module is moving in order to pin position.

Active Jammer Remover – Advanced DSP technology actively identifies and removes jammers prior to correlation. This feature maximizes GPS performance and helps identify issues during the design phase. Up to 8 jammers can be identified and removed.

5Hz Navigation – The JN3 can run with a navigation update rate of 1Hz or 5Hz. This is controllable in NMEA and OSP mode. Note that the UART baud rate will need to be increased to support the higher message output (about 38400 baud minimum in NMEA).

High Performance Solution:

- High sensitivity navigation engine (PVT) tracks as low as -163dBm
- 48 track verification channels
- SBAS (WAAS), EGNOS, MSAS, GAGAN

Active Jammer Remover:

- Removes in-band jammers up to 80 dB-Hz
- Tracks up to 8 CW jammers

Advanced Navigation Features:

- Smart sensor I2C interface
- Interrupt input for context change detection

3.1. Product Compatibility

The JN3 incorporates a new technology far advanced compared to the previous SiRFstarIII designs. It offers an upgrade path from existing Telit and competitive designs.

NMEA version 3.0 protocol is supported as well as the new SiRF ONE SOCKET binary PROTOCOL (OSP).



3.2. Receiver Architecture

The functional architecture of the JN3 receiver is shown in Figure 1.

Note: The LNA is included in the GPS chip for passive antenna operation.

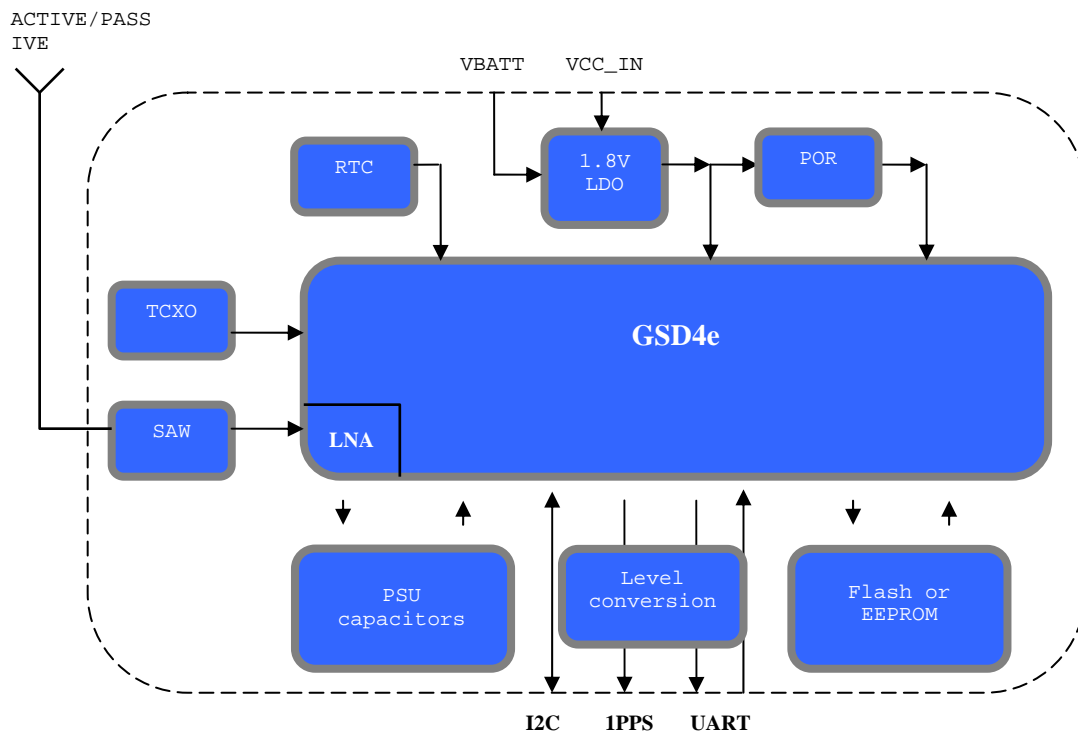


Figure 1 – JN3 Architecture

Note: LNA is included in the GPS chip for passive antenna operation.

3.3. Major Components

All power supply components are on board including capacitors.

3.3.1. GSD4e Chip

This single chip GPS device includes an integrated Baseband and RF sections. The LNA amplifies the GPS signal and provides enough gain for the receiver to use a passive antenna. A very low noise design is utilized to provide maximum sensitivity. This LNA is internal to the GPS baseband and can be switched between low and high gain mode.



4. Software

4.1. TTF (Time to First Fix)

TTF is the actual time required by a GPS receiver to achieve a valid position solution. This specification will vary with the operating state of the receiver, the length of time since the last position fix, the location of the last fix, and the specific receiver design.

4.1.1. Hot Start

A hot start results from a software reset after a period of continuous navigation, or a return from a short idle period (i.e. a few minutes) that was preceded by a period of continuous navigation. In this state, all of the critical data (position, velocity, time, and satellite ephemeris) is valid to the specified accuracy and available in memory.

4.1.2. Warm Start

A warm start typically results from user-supplied position and time initialization data or continuous RTC operation with an accurate last known position available in memory. In this state, position and time data are present and valid but ephemeris data validity has expired.

4.1.3. Cold Start

A cold start acquisition results when either position or time data is unknown. Almanac information is used to identify previously healthy satellites.

Please refer to section 5 for performance data.



4.2. AGPS

GPS aiding comes in several forms. For the purposes of this document, we will focus on extended ephemeris data as a form of assisted GPS data.

InstantFix (SGEE and CGEE) is a method of GPS aiding that effectively reduces the TTFF by making every start a Hot or Warm start, through the use of ephemeris predictions.

CGEE captures ephemeris data from satellites locally and predicts ephemeris up to 3 days.

SGEE does not require local ephemeris collection from satellites; it receives the extended ephemeris data from a server.

The module supports AGPS as standard. TELIT provides a server for customers to download the SGEE file. Contact TELIT for support regarding this service.

Note: Due to memory size constraints, the EEPROM devices do not support SGEE.

Note: The ROM-only devices do not support CGEE or SGEE. External Host memory can be used to enable both these features. See Designer's Notes for more details on how to interface with external Host memory.

4.3. Time Mark Pulse (1PPS)

A 1PPS time mark pulse is provided as an output with a width of 200ms. This signal has not been verified or characterized for all operational conditions.

Note: The GPS receiver will only provide 1PPS when a 3D fix has been obtained using 5 SVs. When the fix degrades below a 3D solution, the 1PPS will be blanked. Once the fix quality improves back to a 3D fix the 1PPS will again be output.

4.4. Power Management

The following paragraph describes the power management mode supported by the JN3.

4.4.1. Adaptive Trickle Power (ATP)

Trickle Power mode is a duty-cycled power management mode that reduces average current consumption by the JN3 while retaining a high quality of GPS accuracy and dynamic motion response. The duty cycle and navigation update rate are specified by the user to best fit in the operating environment. This mode adapts to weak or blocked satellite signals by transitioning the JN3 in and out of full power mode as needed in order to maintain GPS performance.

4.5. Differential Aiding

4.5.1. Satellite Based Augmentation Systems (SBAS)

The JN3 is capable of receiving WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS, and GAGAN differential corrections which are regional implementations of SBAS. SBAS improves horizontal position accuracy by correcting GPS signal errors caused by ionospheric disturbances, timing and satellite orbit errors.



4.6. 5Hz Update Rate

The JN3 defaults to an update rate of 1Hz. The JN3 can be configured to operate in 5Hz through NMEA or SiRF Binary OSP command (v4.1.0 firmware or later). In UART mode, it is necessary to increase the baud rate to meet the higher rate of message output from the receiver.

For example, in NMEA, an output of RMC, GGA, and GSA at five times per second, and GSV at once per second (GSV can be output in groups of three lines) will require at least a baud rate of 19200. This will ensure that the messages are outputted within about 0.75 seconds.

Note that the JN3 will continue to run in 1Hz navigation until it gets a navigation fix. Once a navigation fix is attained, it will transition into 5Hz navigation.

Utilize \$PSRF103 for control in NMEA and MID136 in SiRF Binary OSP.

4.7. Dynamic Constraints

The JN3 receiver will lose track if any of the following limits are exceeded:

- ITAR limits: velocity greater than 514 m/s AND altitude above 18,288 m
- altitude: 24,000 m (max) or -500 m (min)
- velocity: 600 m/s (max)
- acceleration: 4 G (max)
- vehicle jerk: 5 m/s³ (max)



5. Performance Data

Parameter	Description	Performance			
		Min	Typical	Max	Units
Horizontal Position Accuracy ¹	Autonomous	-	<2.5	-	m
Velocity Accuracy ²	Speed	-	-	<0.01	m/s
	Heading	-	-	<0.01	°
Time to First Fix ³	Hot Start: Autonomous	-	<1	-	s
	Warm Start: Autonomous	-	<35	-	s
	Cold Start: Autonomous	-	<35	-	s
Sensitivity	Autonomous acquisition	-147	-	-	dBm
	Tracking	-163	-	-	dBm
	Navigation	-160	-	-	dBm

¹50%, 24 hr static, -130 dBm
²50% @ 30 m/s
³50% , -130 dBm (Fu 0.5 ppm, Tu ±2 s, Pu 30 Km)

Table 2 – JN3 Performance Data



6. Electrical Requirements

6.1. Power Supply

6.1.1. VCC_IN

Main 2.85V-3.6V power input. Reference the Designer's Notes for additional details.
Supply voltage: 2.85V to 3.6V +/- 30mV noise/ripple.

6.1.2. VBATT

Battery backup power input. 2.2V to 3.3V recommend. Maximum 3.6V supported, minimum of 2.2V. Required for HOT/WARM starts and retention of GPS data.

6.2. External Antenna Voltage

The JN3 requires an external antenna Bias-T to provide the voltage to the antenna. This is detailed in the Designer's Notes.

6.3. RF (Radio Frequency) Input

RF input is 1575.42 MHz (L1 Band) at a level between -135 dBm and -165 dBm into 50 Ohm impedance.

6.4. Antenna Gain

The receiver will operate with a passive antenna with Isotropic gain down to a minimum of -6dBi. Active antennas are supported. The internal LNA must be switched to low gain mode if an active antenna is used.

An active antenna of 20dB minimum (exiting the cable) will offer the best performance. 30dB exiting the antenna cable is maximum useable active antenna gain. Refer to section 2.11 for more details.

Contact TELIT for in depth passive antenna design support.

6.5. Burnout Protection

The receiver accepts without risk of damage a signal of +10 dBm from 0 to 2 GHz carrier frequency, except in band 1560 to 1590 MHz where the maximum level is -10 dBm.

6.6. Jamming Performance

Eight separate in band jammers can be detected and digitally removed in the GPS DSP. This is over and above the excellent SAW filter response that exists before the GPS LNA input.



Note: The spectral purity of oscillators and RF transmitters in the host system will determine if harmonics are formed that are equal to the frequencies above.

Compact wireless product design requires close monitoring of jamming issues.

6.7. Flash Upgradability (Flash only)

The firmware programmed in the Flash memory may be upgraded via the serial port TX/RX pads. The user can control this by driving the Serial BOOT select line high at startup, then downloading the code from a PC with suitable software (SiRFFlash). In normal operation this pad should be left floating for minimal current drain. It is recommended that in the user's application, the BOOT select pad is connected to a test pad for use in future software upgrades. The JN3 Flash has a maximum flash update baud rate of 115200. Refer to the Designer's Notes for additional information.

6.8. Patch Updates (EEPROM only)

Modules with EEPROM can be patched from the Host using simple One Socket Protocol (OSP) Patch Protocol serial messages. Patches are stored inside the I2C Serial EEPROM and are automatically applied by internal firmware whenever the baseband CPU is started.

Note: ROM-only devices can support patch updates, if Host memory is available.

6.9. Data Input/Output Specifications

All communications between the JN3 receiver and external devices are through the I/O surface mount pads. These provide the contacts for power, ground, serial I/O and control. Power requirements are discussed in the following sections.

6.9.1. Voltages and Currents

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Power Supply Voltage ¹	VCC_IN	2.85	2.9 to 3.3	3.6	V
Operating Temperature ²	T _{OPR}	-40		85	°C
Current Consumption ³ :					
Acquisition			41		mA
Tracking			32		mA
Battery Backup Supply	VBATT	2.2	3	3.6	V
Battery Backup Current:					
Flash/ ROM/EEPROM modules			40		uA
Trickle Power Current			10		mA
¹ Ripple characteristics must be ensured for best GPS performance and reliable operation. ² Operating temperature is ambient. ³ LNA set to High Gain Mode.					

Table 3 – Power Requirements



Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Rating	Units
Power Supply Voltage	VCC_IN	3.6	V
Input Pin Voltage	VIO_IN	3.6	V
Output Pin Voltage	VIO_OUT	3.6	V
Storage Temperature	T _{stg}	-40°C to +85°C	°C

Warning – Stressing the device beyond the “Absolute Maximum Ratings” may cause permanent damage. These are stress ratings only. Operation beyond the “Operating Conditions” is not recommended and extended exposure beyond the “Operating Conditions” may affect device reliability.

Table 4 – Digital Core and I/O Voltage (Volatile)

6.9.2. DC Electrical Characteristics

6.9.2.1. TX and 1PPS

TXA and 1PPS outputs at TRISTATE until Active VCC is reached. Active VCC min is 1V.

These outputs TRISTATE if VCC reaches Ground. Maximum stress voltage on these pins is 4.5V and there is OVT protection.

$V_{OL} = 0.3V-0.4V$ MAX.

$V_{OH} = 0.75 \times VCC$ typical MIN, 3.6V MAX pull up.

Typical MAX current = + 12mA, -12mA.

Normal current = +100uA to +6mA (V_{OL}), -100uA to -6mA (V_{OH})

VCC = 2.85V to 3.3V typical, 3.6V MAX.

6.9.2.2. RX

$V_{IL} = 0.45V$ MAX.

$V_{IH} = 1.26V$ MIN. MAX 3.6V pull up.

Internal pull up resistance 90k ohm nominal to internal 1.8V. MAX 3.6V pull up.

INPUT/TRISTATE leakage = -10uA, +10uA.

6.9.2.3. SDA2 and SCL2

SDA2 and SCL2 outputs are in a high-impedance state until Active VCC is reached.

$V_{OL} = 0.40V$ MAX.

$V_{OH} = 1.35V$ MIN.



6.9.2.4. BOOT (Flash only)

For normal operation, leave this pin floating. To place the JN3 into BOOT mode, tie this pin to 1.8 volts DC.

Note: This pin is not 3.3 volt tolerant. See the Designer’s Notes for more information.

6.9.3. Pinout Description

Details of the LCC pad functions are shown in Table 5.

Pad Number	Pad Function	Type	Description
1	NC	-	No connection
2	NC	-	No connection
3	1PPS	O	Timemark Pulse, 200ms Active High
4	EXT_INT	I	Reserved
5	NC	-	No connection
6	NC	-	No connection
7	BOOT / NC	I/-	Low for run, high for reprogram (Flash only). No connection for ROM devices.
8	NC	-	No connection
9	VCC_IN	PWR	VCC
10	GND	PWR	Ground
11	RF_IN	I	GPS RF Input, 50 Ohm
12	GND	PWR	Ground
13	GND	PWR	Ground
14	NC	-	No connection
15	NC	-	No connection
16	NC	-	No connection
17	NC	-	No connection
18	SDA2	I/O	Sensor I2C Data Port
19	SCL2	I/O	Sensor I2C Clock Port
20	TX	O	UART TX Output
21	RX	I	UART RX Input
22	VBATT	PWR	Battery Backup Voltage
23	VCC_IN	PWR	Main Supply Voltage
24	GND	PWR	Ground

Table 5 – LCC Pad Functions



7.3. Software Functions and Capabilities

Table 6 shows the software features available to the JN3.

Feature	Description	Availability
SBAS	Improve position accuracy by using freely available satellite based correction services called SBAS (Satellite Based Augmentation System)	A
Adaptive Trickle Power	Improves battery life by using enhanced power management and intelligently switching between low and full power depending on the current GPS signal level. Refer to the Low Power Operating Modes application note.	A
Almanac to Flash	Improves cold start times by storing the most recent almanac to flash memory.	Yes (Flash only)
Low Signal Acquisition	Acquires satellites and continues tracking in extremely low signal environments.	Yes
Low Signal Navigation	Continues navigating in extremely low signal environments.	Yes
Time Mark Pulse (1PPS)	A timing pulse generated every second the receiver is in a valid navigation state (5 SVs required for initial pulse start-up).	Yes
MEMS	3-axis accelerometer support for static detection. 3-axis magnetometer support for compass heading pass-thru data.	A
Antenna Supervisor	Active antenna short circuit and open circuit detection/control, software supported.	V4.1.2
SGEE	AGPS using predicted ephemeris data from a server. Supporting Host required.	Yes (Flash only)
CGEE	AGPS using prediction of ephemeris from live (downloaded from satellites), ephemeris stored in memory.	Yes (Flash/EEPROM only)
Adaptive Jammer Detection	System scan for up to 8 CW jammers for removal by the GPS	Yes
Yes = always enabled A = available, but not enabled by default		

Table 6 – Software Features



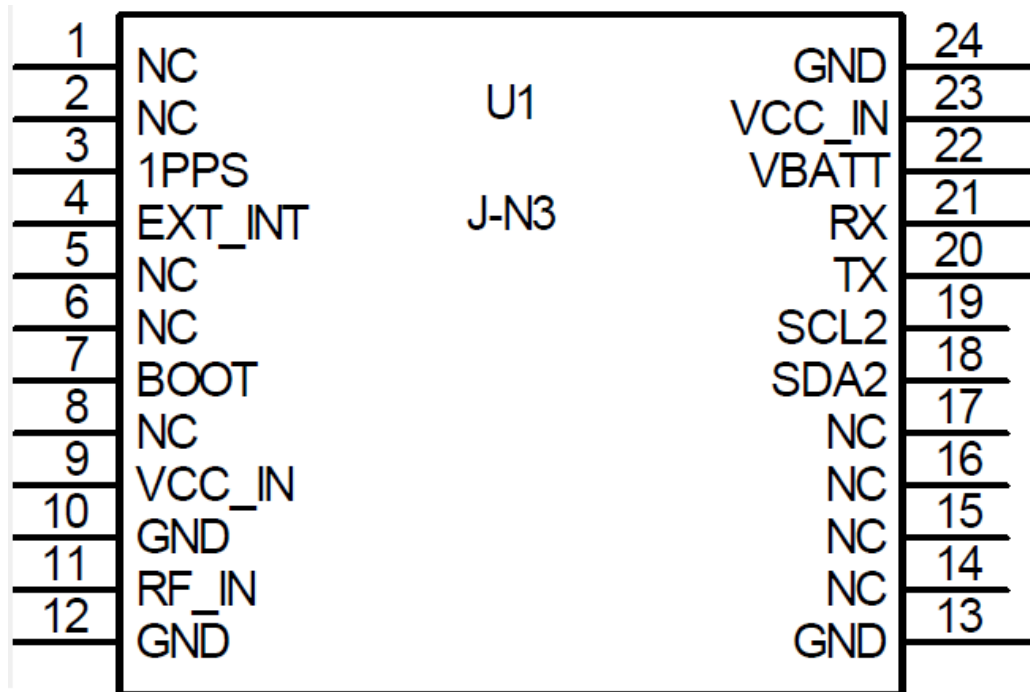


Figure 3 – Pinout (Top View)

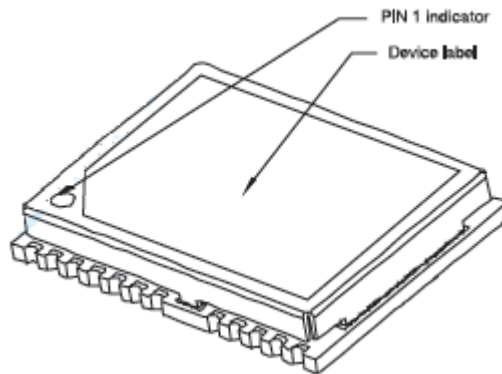



Figure 4 – 3D Model




9. Conformity Assessment

9.1. Declaration of Conformity



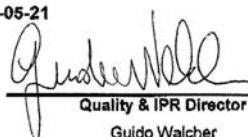
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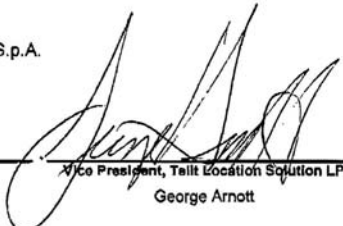
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2. Telit Communications S.p.A Via Stazione di Prosecco, 5/b 34010 Sgonico –TRIESTE- ITALY (manufacturer)
3. This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.
4. Stand-alone GPS receiver module.
5. The object of the declaration described above is in conformity with the relevant Community harmonisation:
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6. The conformity with the essential requirements of the 1999/05/EC has been demonstrated against the following harmonized standard:

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EN 301 489-1 V1.8.1 EN 301 489-3 V1.4.1	For article 3.1 (b): Electromagnetic Compatibility
EN 300 440-2 V1.4.1 EN 300 440-1 V1.6.1	For article 3.2 : Effective use of spectrum allocated
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8. The Technical Construction File (TCF) relevant to the product described above and which support this Declaration of Conformity, is held at: Telit Communications S.p.A Via Stazione di Prosecco, 5/b 34010 Sgonico (TRIESTE) ITALY.

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10. Evaluation Kit

The JN3 Development Kit is available to assist in the evaluation and integration of the JN3 module in custom applications. The Development Kit contains all of the necessary hardware and software to carry out a thorough evaluation of the JN3 module.



Figure 5 Evaluation Kit



11. Product Handling

11.1. Product Packaging and Delivery

JN3 modules are shipped in Tape and Reel form. The reeled modules are shipped in 24mm reels with 1000 units per reel. Each reel is 'dry' packaged and vacuum sealed in an Moisture Barrier Bag (MBB) with two silica gel packs and placed in a carton.

The minimum order quantity for shipping is 1000 units. Refer to the Designer's Notes for additional details.

All packaging is ESD protective lined. The JN3 GPS receiver is a Moisture Sensitive Device (MSD) level 3. Please follow the MSD and ESD handling instructions on the labels of the MBB and exterior carton (refer to sections 8.2 and 8.3).

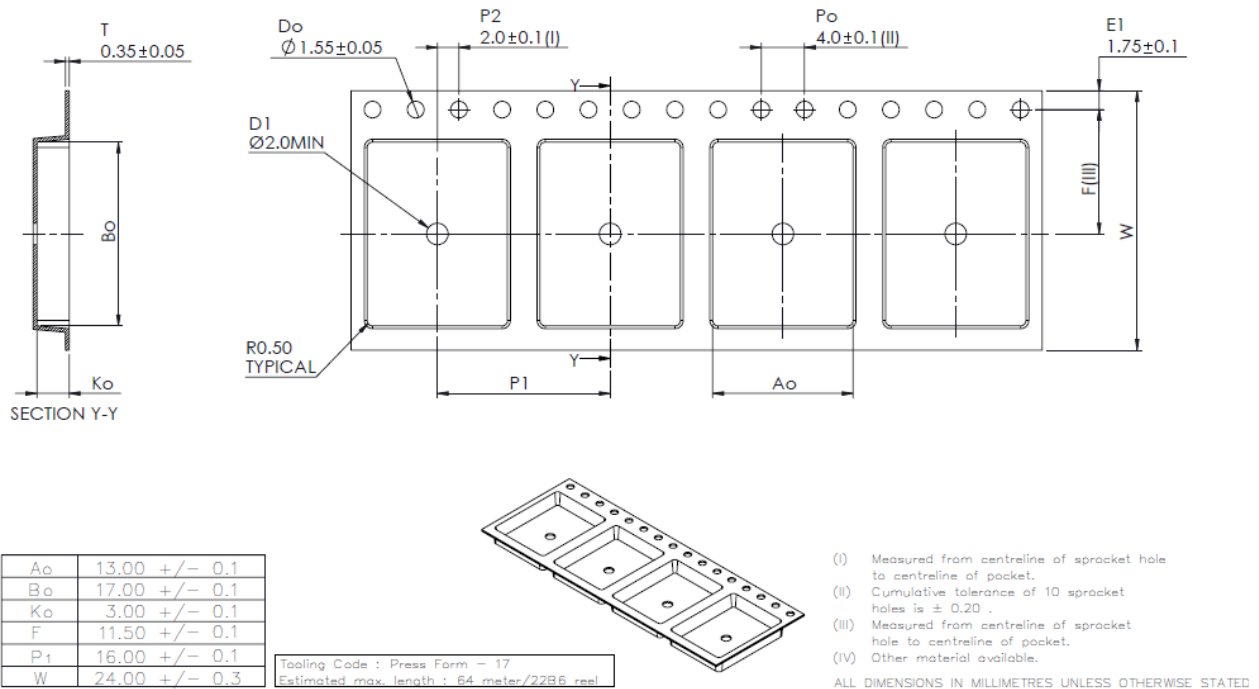


Figure 6 – Tape and Reel Packaging



12. Ordering Information

- J-N3-B3C3-Lx JN3 Flash Module (4800 bps v4.1.2-P2)
- J-N3-B3A3-Lx JN3 Flash Module (9600 bps v4.1.2)
- J-N3-B3EV-L JN3 Flash Module Evaluation Kit
- J-N3-C1D3-Fx JN3 512K EEPROM Module (4800 ROM2.2 Patch 3)
- J-N3-C1D4-Fx JN3 512K EEPROM Module (9600 ROM2.2 Patch 3)
- J-N3-C0D1-Fx JN3 ROM Module (4800 bps ROM2.2)
- J-N3-C0D2-Fx JN3 ROM Module (9600 bps ROM2.2)
- J-N3-C0EV-D JN3 ROM Evaluation Kit

NOTE: x denotes packaging type (R=Tape & Reel, Y=Tray).

Contact your local sales representative for more details.



13. Glossary and Acronyms

AGPS: Assisted GPS. AGPS uses additional resources to locate the satellites faster and better in poor signal conditions.

Almanac: A set of orbital parameters that allows calculation of approximate GPS satellite positions and velocities. The almanac is used by a GPS receiver to determine satellite visibility and as an aid during acquisition of GPS satellite signals. The almanac is a subset of satellite ephemeris data and is updated weekly by GPS Control.

CGEE: Client Generated Extended Ephemeris data. AGPS using prediction of ephemeris from live (downloaded from satellites), ephemeris stored in memory.

EGNOS: European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service

The system of geostationary satellites and ground stations developed in Europe to improve the position and time calculation performed by the GPS receiver.

Ephemeris plural ephemerides: A set of satellite orbital parameters that is used by a GPS receiver to calculate precise GPS satellite positions and velocities. The ephemeris is used to determine the navigation solution and is updated frequently to maintain the accuracy of GPS receivers.

ESD: Electro-Static Discharge

large momentary unwanted currents that cause damage to electronic equipment.

GDOP: Geometric Dilution of Precision.

A factor used to describe the effect of the satellite geometry on the position and time accuracy of the GPS receiver solution. The lower the value of the GDOP parameter, the less the error in the position solution. Related indicators include PDOP, HDOP, TDOP and VDOP.

GPS: Global Positioning System.

A space-based radio positioning system that provides accurate position, velocity, and time data.

InstantFix: Eliminates the initial delay of obtaining GPS satellite location data from the satellites themselves by using algorithms to predict seven days of satellite location data.

LCC: Leadless Chip Carrier

A surface mount device that uses surfaces on the side of its body for board attachment and has no leads or legs but has rounded pins through the edges of the ceramic or molded plastic package.

MSD: Moisture sensitive device.

NMEA: National Marine Electronics Association

POR: Power on Reset.

SBAS: Satellite Based Augmentation System

Any system that uses a network of geostationary satellites and ground stations to improve the



performance of a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS). Current examples are EGNOS and WAAS.

SGEE: Server Generated Extended Ephemeris data. AGPS using predicted ephemeris data from a server. Supporting Host required.

WAAS: Wide Area Augmentation System

The system of satellites and ground stations developed by the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) that provides GPS signal corrections. WAAS satellite coverage is currently only available in North America.



14. Safety Recommendations

READ CAREFULLY

Be sure the use of this product is allowed in the country and in the environment required. The use of this product may be dangerous and has to be avoided in the following areas:

- Where it can interfere with other electronic devices in environments such as hospitals, airports, aircrafts, etc.
- Where there is risk of explosion such as gasoline stations, oil refineries, etc. It is responsibility of the user to enforce the country regulation and the specific environment regulation.

Do not disassemble the product; any mark of tampering will compromise the warranty validity. We recommend following the instructions of the hardware user guides for a correct wiring of the product. The product has to be supplied with a stabilized voltage source and the wiring has to be conforming to the security and fire prevention regulations. The product has to be handled with care, avoiding any contact with the pins because electrostatic discharges may damage the product itself. Same cautions have to be taken for the SIM, checking carefully the instruction for its use. Do not insert or remove the SIM when the product is in power saving mode.

The system integrator is responsible of the functioning of the final product; therefore, care has to be taken to the external components of the module, as well as of any project or installation issue, because the risk of disturbing the GSM network or external devices or having impact on the security. Should there be any doubt, please refer to the technical documentation and the regulations in force. Every module has to be equipped with a proper antenna with specific characteristics. The antenna has

to be installed with care in order to avoid any interference with other electronic devices and has to guarantee a minimum distance from the body (20 cm). In case of this requirement cannot be satisfied, the system integrator has to assess the final product against the SAR regulation.

The European Community provides some Directives for the electronic equipments introduced on the market. All the relevant information's are available on the European Community website:

<http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/rte/documents/>

The text of the Directive 99/05 regarding telecommunication equipments is available, while the applicable Directives (Low Voltage and EMC) are available at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/electrical/>



15. Document History

Revision	Date	Changes
0	2012-01-19	First issue
1	2012-04-23	§5.9.2.3 updated I2C voltage range Updated figure 3
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