

DATA SHEET

SKY66407-11: 2.4 GHz Low-Power, Low-Profile Front-End Module for Bluetooth[®] IoT Applications

Applications

- Wearables
- Trackers
- Beacons
- Sensor networks
- Home automation
- Internet of Things (IoT) devices

Features

- Adjustable gain, output power, and current consumption
- Max BT EDR output power: +11.5 dBm
- Wide supply range: 1.7 to 3.6 V
- High ESD rating: 2 kV
- Low sleep current: < 1 uA
- Low Rx bypass loss
- Small CSP (9-pin, 1.2 x 1.2 x 0.35 mm) package (MSL1, 260 °C per JEDEC-J-STD-020)



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Figure 1. SKY66407-11 Functional Block Diagram

Description

The SKY66407-11 is a highly integrated front-end module (FEM) designed for Bluetooth IoT applications operating in the 2.4 to 2.4835 GHz range.

The device is provided in a $1.2 \times 1.2 \times 0.35 \text{ mm } 9\text{-pin CSP}$ package. A functional block diagram is shown in Figure 1. Pin assignments are shown in Figure 2. Signal pin assignments and functional pin descriptions are provided in Table 1.



Figure 2. SKY66407-11 Pinout (Top View)

Bump	Name	Description	Bump	Name	Description
A1	VCC2	Positive power supply	B3	T/R	Connect to 50 Ω transceiver output
A2	GND	Ground	C1	ANT	Connect to 50 Ω antenna
A3	VCC1	Positive power supply	C2	CTX	Tx control signal
B1	GND	Ground	C3	CRX	RX control signal
B2	GND	Ground			

Table 1. SKY66407-11 Signal Descriptions

Electrical and Mechanical Specifications

The absolute maximum ratings of the SKY66407-11 are provided in Table 2. The recommended operating conditions are specified in Table 3. Electrical specifications are provided in Tables 4 through 6.

Table 2. SKY66407-11 Absolute Maximum Ratings¹

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Units
Supply voltage	VCC1, VCC2	0.3	4.0	V
Control voltages	CTX, CRX	0.3	4.0	V
Transmit input power at T/R port	Pin_tx		+8	dBm
Receive input power at ANT port ²	Pin_rx		+20	dBm
Voltage standing wave ratio	VSWR		10:1	
Operating temperature	ТА	-40	+105	°C
Storage temperature	Тѕтс	-40	+125	°C
Electrostatic discharge:	ESD			
Human Body Model (HBM), Class 2			2000	V

Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may reduce device reliability. There is no damage to device with only one parameter set at the limit and all other parameters set at or below their nominal value. Exceeding any of the limits listed here may result in permanent damage to the device.

² CW test signal.

ESD HANDLING: Although this device is designed to be as robust as possible, electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage this device. This device must be protected at all times from ESD when handling or transporting. Static charges may easily produce potentials of several kilovolts on the human body or equipment, which can discharge without detection. Industry-standard ESD handling precautions should be used at all times.

Table 3. Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Supply voltage	VCC1, VCC2	1.7	3.3	3.6	V
Control voltages	СТХ	1.0	1.8	2.2	V
Operating temperature	ТА	-40	+25	+85	°C

Table 4. SKY66407-11 DC Electrical Specifications¹

(Vcc1 = Vcc2 = 3.3 V, CTX = 1.8 V, TA = +25 °C, Characteristic Impedance [Zo] = 50 Ω , Unless Otherwise Noted)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Condition	Min	Тур	Мах	Units
		TX mode ($P_{IN} = 0 \text{ dBm}$):				
Transmit operating current	Ісс тх	VCC2 = 1.8 V		13		mA
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		VCC2 = 3.3 V		16		mA
		VCC2 = 3.6 V		17		mA
Transmit quiescent current	ICQ_TX	TX mode		8		mA
Receive (bypass) current ²	ICC_RX	RX mode		4.0		uA
Sleep mode current	ICC_0FF	Sleep mode		0.1	1	uA
Logic Characteristics						
Control voltage:						
High	Vih		1.6		VCC1	V
Low	VIL		0		0.3	V
Tx bias current (CTX pin)	IBIAS_TX			30		uA
Rx control current (CRX pin)	IBIAS_RX			1.0		uA

¹ Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in this table.

² The current will be the same as sleep current if logic high levels are equal to VCC1.

able 5. SKY66407-11 AC Electrical Specifications ¹
Vcc1 = Vcc2 = 3.3 V, CTX = 1.8 V, TA = +25 °C, PIN = 0 dBm, Characteristic Impedance [Zo] = 50 Ω , Unless Otherwise Noted)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Units		
Transmit Characteristics								
Frequency range	f		2400		2483.5	MHz		
Output power	Роит	VCC2 = 1.8 V BDR VCC2 = 3.3 V BDR VCC2 = 3.6 V BDR		+9.5 +12 +12.5		dBm dBm dBm		
		VCC2 = 3.3 V EDR-3 VCC2 = 3.6 V EDR-3		+10.0 ² +10.5 ²		dBm dBm		
Saturated gain ³	G_SAT	$P_{IN} = 0 \ dBm$		12		dB		
Small signal gain	S21_TX	P _{IN} = -25 dBm		13		dB		
Gain slope	GSLOPE	Over frequency range			1	dBp-p		
Input return loss ³	S11_TX	T/R port		-10		dB		
Output return loss ³	S22_TX	ANT port		-12		dB		
2 nd harmonic ³	2fo	Pout = +10 dBm, CW signal source			-40	dBm/MHz		
3 rd harmonic ³	3fo	Pout = +10 dBm, CW signal source			-30	dBm/MHz		
TX turn-on time ³	ton_tx	50% VCTX to 90% RF		800		ns		
TX turn-off time ³	toff_tx	50% VCTX to 10% RF		200		ns		
Stability ³	STAB	CW, $P_{IN} = 0 \text{ dBm}$, 0 GHz to 20 GHz, load VSWR = 6:1	All non-harmonically related outputs < -42 dBm/N		2 dBm/MHz			
Ruggedness ³	RUG	CW, $P_{IN} = 0$ dBm, load VSWR = 10:1		No perman	ent damage			
Receive Characteristics								
Frequency range	f		2400		2483.5	MHz		
Insertion loss	S21_RX			-1.0		dB		
Input return loss ³	S11_RX	ANT port		-15		dB		
Output return loss ³	S22_RX	T/R port		-15		dB		
RX turn-on time ³	ton_rx	50% VCRX to 90% RF		800		ns		
RX turn-off time ³	toff_rx	50% VCRX to 10% RF		200		ns		

¹ Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in this table.

² Refer to Bluetooth EDR section for higher output power operation.

 $^{3}\,$ Guaranteed by characterization.

Table 6. SKY66407-11 Mode Logic Truth Table

Mode	CTX	CRX
Sleep mode	0	0
Receive (RX) mode	0	1
Transmit (TX) mode	1	Х

CTX Pin Usage

The SKY66407-11 CTX pin supplies the bias to the internal PA. By varying the voltage at this pin, PA operating parameters including gain, supply current, and efficiency can be adjusted.

The CTX pin can also be used to adjust the SKY66407-11 output power when the RF source (transceiver or baseband) has a fixed level.



Figure 3. POUT vs CTX and PIN (Vcc = 3.3 V)



Figure 5. Icc vs Pout and CTX (Vcc = 3.3 V)



Figure 4. Gain vs Pout and CTX (Vcc = 3.3 V)



Figure 6. Power-Added Efficiency vs Pout and CTX (Vcc = 3.3 V)

In many applications, a variable DC supply voltage may not be available. The desired bias voltage can be generated by connecting CTX to the GPIO controlling CTX with a resistor (refer to Figure 13). With no RF input, the CTX pin draws very little current. Toggling the CTX from the GPIO also causes the PA to turn off when CTX is pulled low, reducing the RX and shutdown mode current.

Table 7 lists the relationship between CTX voltage/current and bias resistance.

Rbias (kΩ)	CTX (V)	ICTX (uA)	ICC (mA)
22	2.2	58	12.9
27	2.1	55	11.5
32	2	50	10.2
39	1.9	46	8.9
47	1.8	40	7.6
59	1.7	36	6.4
76	1.6	32	5.2
99	1.5	28	4.1
133	1.4	24	3.1
200	1.3	20	2.1
310	1.2	16	1.3
600	1.1	14	0.7

Table 7. VCTX Voltage and Current vs Bias Resistance (Vcc = 3.3 V)

If a fixed CTX voltage (for example, from an LDO) is available in the application circuit, using this instead of a resistor reduces the variation of output power with VCC. To minimize SKY66407-11 current consumption in RX bypass and shutdown modes, the voltage to the CTX pin should be switched off when the CTX is logic low.



Bluetooth EDR Adjacent Channel Power

The SKY66407-11 benefits from excellent adjacent channel power (ACP) performance in Bluetooth EDR applications.

Typical ACP measurements for both EDR modulations (π /4-DQPSK with 2-DH5 packets and 8-DPSK with 3-DH5 packets) are shown in Figures 8 through 11 (Note: CTX =2.2 V).



Figure 8. BT ACP CH+2 vs POUT, BT-EDR-2DH5



Figure 10. BT ACP CH+2 vs POUT, BT-EDR-3DH5



Figure 9. BT ACP CH+3 vs POUT, BT-EDR-2DH5



Figure 11. BT ACP CH+3 vs POUT, BT-EDR-3DH5

Evaluation Board Description

The SKY66407-11 Evaluation Board is used to test the performance of the SKY66407-11 front-end module. The board is optimized for evaluation, experimentation, and investigation with a BLE or 802.15.4 signal source. The design and layout can be quickly and easily transferred into a production design.

A reference design schematic is provided in Figure 12. An Evaluation Board schematic diagram is provided in Figure 13. A photograph of the Evaluation Board is shown in Figure 14. The Evaluation Board Bill of Materials (BOM) is listed in Table 8.

Evaluation Board Setup Procedure

- 1. Connect system ground to pin 1 of the J3 header.
- 2. Apply 3.3 V to pin 2 of the J3 header.
- 3. Select a path according to the information in Table 6 (L = 0 V, H = 3.3 V) using pin 6 (VCTX) and pin 10 (VCRX) of the J3 header.



Figure 12. SKY66407-11 Reference Design Schematic



Figure 13. SKY66407-11 Evaluation Board Schematic



Figure 14. SKY66407-11 Evaluation Board

Table 8. SKY66407-11 Evaluation Board Bill of Materials (BOM)

Reference	Value	Manufacturer	Mfr Part Number	Package	Description
C1, C2, R3, C4, C5	DNI			0402	DNI
C3	4.7uF	muRata	GRM21BR71C475KA73L	0805	Ceramic capacitor, 4.7 uF, 16 V, X7R
J1,J2	SMA	Johnson Components	142-0701-851	End Launch	Connector SMA jack, STR, 50 Ω , edge mount
J3	Header 6X2 PTH 100	Samtec	TSW-106-07-G-D		Connector header, 12 POS, 100" DL gold
L1	0 Ω			0402	
PCB1	Z1257-A	Skyworks	Z1257-A		PCB
R1	1 kΩ	Panasonic	ERJ-PA2F1001X	0402	Resistor, SMD, 1 k Ω , 1%, 1/5 W
R2	47 kΩ	Multi-vendor	5424R27-134	0402	Resistor, 47 k Ω , jumper, 0.063 W
U1	SKY66407-11 CSP	Skyworks Solutions			

Package Dimensions

The PCB layout footprint for the SKY66407-11 is provided in Figure 15. The typical part marking is shown in Figure 16. Package dimensions are shown in Figure 17, and tape and reel dimensions are provided in Figure 18.

Package and Handling Information

Instructions on the shipping container label regarding exposure to moisture after the container seal is broken must be followed. Otherwise, problems related to moisture absorption may occur when the part is subjected to high temperature during solder assembly.

The SKY66407-11 is rated to Moisture Sensitivity Level 1 (MSL1) at 260 °C. It can be used for lead or lead-free soldering.

Care must be taken when attaching this product, whether it is done manually or in a production solder reflow environment. Production quantities of this product are shipped in a standard tape and reel format.



Figure 15. PCB Layout Footprint



Figure 16. Typical Part Marking



Figure 17. SKY66407-11 Package Dimensions



All dimensions are in millimeters.

Figure 18. SKY66407-11 Tape and Reel Dimensions

Ordering Information

Part Number	Product Description	Evaluation Board Part Number	
SKY66407-11	2.4 GHz Low-Power, Low-Profile FEM for Bluetooth IoT Applications	SKY66407-11EK1	

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