

Quectel BC68

Ultra-compact Multi-band NB-IoT Module with Ultra-low Power Consumption



BC68 is a high-performance NB-IoT module which supports multiple frequency bands of B1/B3/B8/B5/B20/B28 with extremely low power consumption. The ultra-compact $17.7 \, \text{mm} \times 15.8 \, \text{mm} \times 2.3 \, \text{mm}$ form factor makes it a perfect choice for size sensitive applications. Designed to be compatible with Quectel GSM/GPRS M66 module in the compact and unified form factor, it provides a flexible and scalable platform for migrating from GSM/GPRS to NB-IoT networks.

BC68 adopts surface mounted technology, making it an ideal solution for durable and rugged designs. The low profile and small size of LCC package allow BC68 to be easily embedded into space-constrained applications and provide reliable connectivity with the applications. This kind of package is ideally suited for large-scale manufacturing which has strict requirements for cost and efficiency.

Due to compact form factor, ultra-low power consumption and extended temperature range, BC68 is the best choice for a wide range of IoT applications, such as smart metering, bike sharing, smart parking, smart city, security and asset tracking, home appliances, agricultural and environmental monitoring, etc. It is able to provide a complete range of SMS* and data transmission services to meet client-side demands.



Key Benefits

- ✓ Compact-sized multi-band NB-IoT module
- ✓ Ultra-low power consumption
- ✓ Super high sensitivity
- ✓ LCC package makes it easy for large volume manufacturing
- Compatible with Quectel GSM/GPRS module, easy for future upgrading
- ✓ Embedded with abundant Internet service protocols
- ✓ Fast time-to-market: Reference designs, evaluation tools and timely technical support minimize design-in time and development efforts



Compact Size



B1/B3/B8/B5/



35/ Extended Temperature Range: -40°C ~ +85°C



LCC Package



Multiple Serial



Ultra-low Power Consumption



Quectel Enhanced AT Commands



Embedded Internet Services Protocols

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Approvals

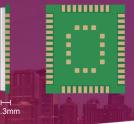
RoHS Compliant

CE*/GCF* (Europe)

FCC* (North America)

* Under Development

CCC*/NAL*/SRRC* (China)



Frequency Bands

BC68:

B1 @H-FDD: 2100MHz

B3 @H-FDD: 1800MHz

B8 @H-FDD: 900MHz

B5 @H-FDD: 850MHz

B20 @H-FDD: 800MHz

B28 @H-FDD: 700MHz

Data

Data Transmission:

Single Tone:

DL: 24kbps

UL: 15.625kbps

Multi Tone*:

UL: 62.5kbps

DL: 24kbps

Protocol Stacks:

IPv4 IPv6*

UDP

CoAP

LwM2M*

Non-IP

DTLS*

Download Method:

UART

DFOTA*

SMS*

Point-to-point MO and MT

Text/PDU Mode

Electrical Characteristics

Maximum Output Power:

23dBm±2dB

Sensitivity:

-129dBm±1dB

PSM: 3uA

Idle Mode: 2mA @DRX=1.28s

Power Consumption (Typical):

LTE Cat NB1 Connectivity:

230m A@23dBm

Interfaces

USIM × 1: Supports 1.8V/3.0V USIM Card

UART × 2

 $\mathsf{ADC}^* \times \mathsf{1}$

RESET × 1

Antenna × 1

General Features

LCC Package

58 Pins

Supply Voltage Range:

3.1V~4.2V, 3.6V Typ.

Temperature Range:

-40°C ~ +85°C

Dimension:

17.7mm × 15.8mm × 2.3mm

Weight:

1.3g±0.2g

AT Command:

3GPP TS 27.007 V14.3.0 (2017-03) and Quectel

Enhanced AT Commands