

# **Compact Low-Cost Radio Module**

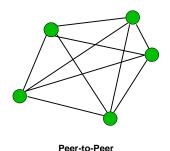
868 MHz SRD Band

#### **Key Features**

- Low-cost OEM radio module for the 868 MHz SRD band
- Compact dimensions: 17 x 27 x 4 mm
- Supports low-power applications and WOR (wake-on radio)
- · Integrated AMBER RF stack with extensive functions
- · Flexible addressing with up to 255 nodes in 255 networks
- Complies with requirements of R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC
- Tape & Reel packaging for automatic component placement
- Also available as wireless USB adapter (AMB8465)
- Compatible to AMB8425, but more powerful microprocessor, small variations in dimensions and footprint



### **Network Topologies**



#### **Description**

The AMB8426 is a compact and low-cost radio data transmission module for wireless half-duplex communication. The integrated microprocessor controls data communication, handling packet and checksum generation, addressing, monitoring of channel access and re-transmission of lost packets. The host system does not have to perform any radio-specific tasks.

The module can be configured in many ways and supports data transfer with fast channel and address switching. An opportunity to assess the quality of the radio link is also provided by using the measured field strength (RSSI value).

The graphical user interface of the freely available Windows application "AMBER-ACC" makes it easy to set operating parameters. A USB stick version is available to easily connect the AMB8426 to a PC system.

The AMB8426 is designed as a SMT device and is suitable for automatic component assembly. It can also be delivered in tape and reel packaging.

#### **Interfaces**

The AMB8426 is connected to a host system via the UART interface with bit rates of up to 115.2 kbaud. Other pins are used for data flow control and to switch between operating modes.

An SPI interface is optionally available (separate firmware).

Using appropriate firmware, the module is also suitable for autonomously recording digital or analogue signals.

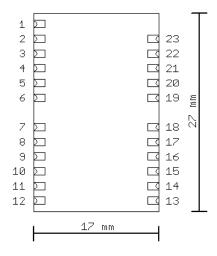
#### Range of Application

Data collection, monitoring, remote control and sensor networks.

Its compact dimensions and low power consumption make the radio module ideal for battery-powered devices.



#### **Dimensions**



#### **Pin Assignment**

No.	Pad Name	I/O	Description
1	ANTENNA	-	Antenna connection
2,23	GND	-	Ground
3	VCC	-	Positive supply voltage
4	UTXD	0	UART transmit
5	URXD	1	UART receive
6	/RTS	0	Flow control
7	/CTS	Ι	Flow control
8	/DATA_INDICATE	0	Signals incoming data
11	/DATA_REQUEST	Ι	Triggers packet transmission
13	SLEEP	Ι	Selection of low-power mode
14	TRX_DISABLE	1	Selection of low-power mode
15	/CONFIG	1	Switches to command mode
19	/RESET	Ι	Reset
20	RX_INDICATE	0	Signals radio reception
21	TX_INDICATE	0	Signals radio transmission
9,10,12,16,17,18, 22	RSVD	-	Reserved (do not connect)

# **Specifications**

Range*	Up to 700 m
RF data rate	Up to 250 kbps (Gross)
Interface data rate	Up to 115.2 kbps (UART)
Output power	11 dBm (50 Ω)
RF sensitivity	up to -112 dBm (50 Ω)
Power supply	2.2 – 3.6 V
Power consumption	- TX: typ. 38 mA - RX: typ. 24 mA - Low Power: typ. < 0.3 μA
Dimensions	17 x 27 x 4 mm
Operating temperature	-30 to +85 °C
Weight	approx. 3 g
Antenna	External antenna connector
Addressing	Up to 255 nodes on 255 networks
Frequency range	865.0 – 868.6 MHz
Channel spacing	50 kHz
Modulation	2-FSK, MSK
Supported topologies	Star, Peer-to-Peer
Europe	EN 300 220, EN 301 489, EN 60950, EN 50371
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<sup>\*</sup> Range stated assumes line-of-sight. Actual range may vary depending on antenna choice, board integration and environment.

#### **Related Products**

• AMB8426-EV Evaluation-Kit

AMB8465 USB Stick based on AMB8425

## **Ordering information**

Item no.	Description
AMB8426	Low-Cost Radio Module868 MHz RF module
AMB8426-TR	Low-Cost Radio Module868 MHz RF module, Tape & Reel

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