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Module

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Foreword

This document describes the information of the hardware, package, specification and the use of Unicore UM681 modules.

Target Readers

This document applies to technicians who are familiar with GNSS receivers.



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1 Introduction

UM681 is an industrial-grade high-precision GNSS+IMU integrated navigation module developed by Unicore.

Based on the multi-system dual-frequency high-performance SoC UC6580A and the built-in six-axis IMU, UM681 can achieve centimeter-level positioning accuracy, and it can realize continuous positioning even in the environment without satellite signals such as tunnels and underground garages.

The manufacturing process of the GNSS chip inside UM681 conforms to IATF 16949.



Figure 1-1 UM681 High-Precision Positioning Module

| | ain odel | Sub- Model | Operating Temperature | | System | | | | Interface | | | Data Update Rate | | | |
|----|-------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----|--------|----------|---------|--------|-----------|-------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | | -40 °C to +85 °C | GPS | BDS | GLONASS* | Galileo | NavIC* | QZSS | SBAS* | UART1 | UART2 | 12C** | SPI** | |
| UM | 1681 | 12 | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | 1Hz/ 5Hz/ 10 Hz |

^{*} Supported by specific firmware.

^{**} Reserved interfaces, not supported currently.



1.1 Key Specifications

Table 1-1 Technical Specifications

| Power | oris | | | | |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Voltage | +2.7 V to +3.6 V DC | | | | |
| LNA Feed Voltage | +2.7 V to +3.3 V, <100 mA | | | | |
| Power Consumption | 240 mW | | | | |
| RF Input | | | | | |
| Constellation | GPS/GLONASS*/BeiDou/Galileo/QZSS/NavIC* | | | | |
| VSWR | ≤ 2.5 | | | | |
| Input Impedance | 50 Ω | | | | |
| Antenna Gain | 15 dB to 30 dB | | | | |
| Physical Characteristics | | | | | |
| Dimensions | 54 pin LGA | | | | |
| Weight | 22.0 mm × 17.0 mm × 2.6 mm | | | | |
| Interface | | | | | |
| UART × 2 | TTL; baud Rate: 115200 bps to 921600 bps | | | | |
| I ² C × 1 | Reserved; address: 7 bit; working mode: slave; | | | | |
| -C * | supports up to 400 Kbps | | | | |
| SPI × 1 | Reserved; Alternate function of Pin 42 to 45 | | | | |
| 3F1 * 1 | working mode: slave; supports up to 4 Mbps | | | | |
| GNSS Performance | | | | | |
| | GPS L1 C/A, L1C*, L5 | | | | |
| | GLONASS G1* | | | | |
| | BDS B1I, B1C*, B2a | | | | |
| Frequency | Galileo E1, E5a | | | | |
| | NavIC L5* | | | | |
| | QZSS L1, L5 | | | | |
| | SBAS* | | | | |

Introduction

^{*} Supported by specific firmware

| | Cold start: 26 s | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| TTFF | Hot start: 2s | | | | | | |
| | Reacquisition: 2s | | | | | | |
| Single Point Positioning | Horizontal: 1.5 m (open sky) | | | | | | |
| (RMS) | Vertical: 2.5 m (open sky) | | | | | | |
| DTV (DMC) | Horizontal: 1 cm + 1ppm (open sky) | | | | | | |
| RTK (RMS) | Vertical: 2 cm + 1ppm (open sky) | | | | | | |
| Velocity Accuracy (RMS) 1 | 0.05 m/s | | | | | | |
| INS Positioning Error | < 1% of the driving distance without GNSS signals | | | | | | |
| | GNSS | | | | | | |
| | Tracking -162 dbm | | | | | | |
| Sensitivity | Cold start -147 dbm | | | | | | |
| | Hot start -157 dbm | | | | | | |
| | Reacquisition -158 dbm | | | | | | |
| GNSS Data Update Rate | 1 Hz/5 Hz/10 Hz | | | | | | |
| INS Data Update Rate | 10 Hz | | | | | | |
| 1PPS Accuracy (RMS) | 20 ns | | | | | | |
| Data Format | NMEA 0183, Unicore Protocol, RTCM | | | | | | |
| Environmental Specification | าร | | | | | | |
| Operating Temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C | | | | | | |
| Storage Temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C | | | | | | |
| Humidity | 95% No condensation | | | | | | |
| Vibration | GB/T 28046.3, ISO 16750.3 | | | | | | |
| Shock | GB/T 28046.3, ISO 16750.3 | | | | | | |
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¹ 68% at 30 m/s for dynamic operation, open sky.



1.2 Block Diagram

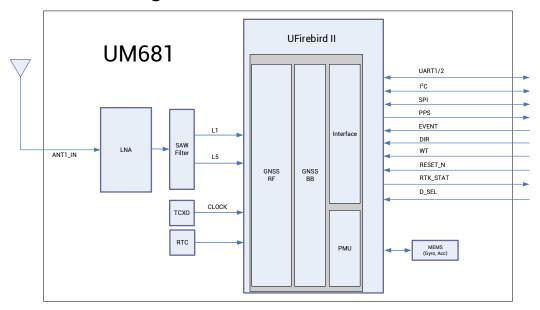


Figure 1-2 UM681 Block Diagram

1. RF Part

The receiver gets filtered and enhanced GNSS signals from the antenna via a coaxial cable. The RF part converts the RF input signals into the IF signals, and converts IF analog signals into digital signals required for UFirebird II SoC.

2. UFirebird II SoC (UC6580A)

UFirebird II is a new generation GNSS SoC that integrates RF, baseband and high-precision algorithm developed by Unicore. It adopts 22 nm technology and low power consumption design, supporting multi-path mitigation, anti-jamming and high-precision GNSS joint positioning, providing up to 10 Hz RTK positioning solution, especially suitable for applications which are sensitive to power and size.

3. MEMS

UM681 integrates six-axis MEMS (three-axis gyro and three-axis accelerator). MEMS provides information on carrier attitude and speed changes, combined with GNSS data to output integrated positioning and navigation solution. The combination of GNSS+MEMS ensures better positioning performance than standalone GNSS, providing continuous and uninterrupted positioning, especially in the conditions with poor signals, such as tunnels, underground garages and urban canyons.

4. Interfaces

UM681 has interfaces such as UART, I²C*, SPI*, PPS, EVENT*, RTK_STAT* and RESET_N.

UM681 has two UARTs. UART1 is the master serial port, supporting data transmission and firmware upgrade, and the I/O signal type is LVTTL. The baud rate can be configured by users. UART2 is a backup and only supports data transmission. It cannot be used for firmware upgrade.

^{*} Reserved interfaces, not supported currently.



2 Product Installation

2.1 Preparations

UM681 is Electrostatic Sensitive Devices (ESD) and must be installed with special precautions when handling. Please take the following protective measures before opening the anti-static plastic box.



- Electrostatic discharge (ESD) may cause damage to the device. All operations mentioned in this chapter should be carried out on an antistatic workbench using an antistatic wrist strap and conductive foam pad. If there is no antistatic workbench, wear an antistatic wrist strap and connect the other end of the strap to the metal frame to avoid electrostatic damages.
- Hold the edge of the evaluation board, and do NOT touch the components directly.

Carefully check the board to make sure that there is no apparent loose or damaged components. If you have any questions, please contact Unicore or the local distributors.

Figure 2-1 shows the typical installation of UM681 evaluation kit (EVK).



Figure 2-1 Typical Installation of UM681 EVK

Please prepare the following items before installing the UM681 module.

- UM681 EVK (with AC Adapter)
- UM681 User Manual
- Unicore UPrecise software package
- Accessory GNSS antenna
- USB-to-RS232 cable and straight through serial cable

• PC with USB interfaces or serial ports (Windows 7 and above)

Please keep the packing box and anti-static plastic box for storage and handling.

2.2 Installation of EVK

After the above preparations, please follow the steps below to install, which is used for satellite navigation test only.

- Step 1: Make sure to take full anti-static measures, such as wearing an anti-static wristband and grounding the workbench.
- Step 2: Open the UM681 evaluation kit and take out the evaluation board.
- Step 3: Use a GNSS antenna with appropriate gain and fix it in a non-blocking area; use the appropriate cable to connect the antenna to the UM681 evaluation board.
- Step 4: Connect a PC to the EVK serial port through the USB-to-RS232 cable or straight through serial cable.
- Step 5: Open UPrecise software on the PC.
- Step 6: Control the receiver through UPrecise to display constellations view, log messages, and receiver status, etc.



2.3 Installation of the Module

UM681 must be rigidly connected to the vehicle body and firmly fixed.

- The antenna should be installed with the front facing up and firmly fixed; ensure that the elevation angle of the environment where the antenna is located is greater than 15° and the space is unobstructed.
- Ensure that there is no strong interference within the frequency of 1568 ± 20 MHz in the environment where the antenna is located.

2.3.1 Installation Instructions

The UM681 must be firmly connected to the vehicle to prevent any offsets or vibrations between the module and the vehicle. UM681 should not be installed in the suspension part (elastic part) of the vehicle. When the vehicle is moving, any change of position relative to the vehicle coordinate system will seriously affect the UM681 and prevent it from working normally.

2.3.2 Installation Angle

The vehicle coordinate system is XYZ, and the module coordinate system is xyz, as shown in **Figure 2-2** and **Figure 2-3**. The module's installation angle angleX, angleY and angleZ are defined as below:

- 1. Align the initial state of xyz coordinate system with that of XYZ coordinate system.
- 2. Rotate γ angle of the module around the z axis.
- 3. Rotate α angle of the module around the new x axis.
- 4. Rotate β angle of the module around the new y axis.
- 5. The module is now in the same state as the actual installation, with that, angleX= α , angleY= β , angleZ= γ .

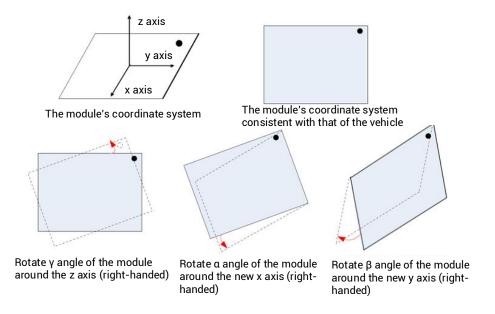


Figure 2-2 Coordinate System of the Module

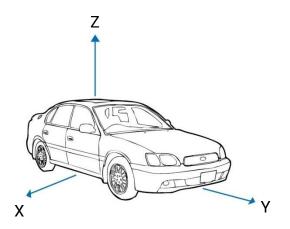


Figure 2-3 Coordinate System of the Vehicle

The coordinate system of the module must be consistent with that of the vehicle, which means: x-axis and X-axis are parallel in the same direction, y-axis and Y-axis are parallel in the same direction, and z-axis and Z-axis are parallel in the same direction.



2.3.3 Installation Mode

• Free Installation (Default Mode)

UM681 integrate a three-axis gyroscope and a three-axis accelerometer, with the built-in self-calibration algorithm, which supports the free installation of the module with respect to any installation angle of the vehicle coordinate system, such as, the completely horizontal installation, inclined installation at a certain angle, and flip installation.

Fixed Installation

According to the definition of installation angle, the accurate installation angle is manually configured into the module. This installation method takes a shorter calibration time. When configuring the installation angle manually, the maximum error is limited to ±5 degrees.

2.3.4 Reference Messages

1. CFGROTAT

Message format: \$CFGROTAT,angleX,angleY,angleZ,mode

Description: Set or output the installation angle of the module with respect to the vehicle coordinate system.

Parameters:

- angleX, angleY and angleZ are defined in section 2.3.2, with the unit of 0.01°.
- mode stands for the installation mode:
 - 0 General installation mode, the input value of the installation angle is relatively coarse (within 10 degrees).
 - 2 Automatic installation mode, no need to input the installation angle, only calibration is required.

Note:

- 1) Choose 0 for fixed installation mode and 2 for free installation mode;
- 2) Input the actual installation angles including angleX, angleY, and angleZ into the module. After the configuration is completed, save the configuration to the flash using the CFGSAVE command, otherwise it needs to be identified again at the next boot.
- Any configuration on the INS will cause the module to be re-initialized during normal operation or after power-off and restart, and the previously completed or ongoing calibration operations will be reset.

2. SNRSTAT

Message format: \$SNRSTAT,insstatus,odostatus,InstallState,Mapstat

Description: Output initial status (applicable for both fixed installation mode and free installation mode)

Parameters:

- insstatus: Initialization status of INS
 - -1: IMU device failure
 - 0: Disabled
 - 1: Initialization starts
 - 2: The installation angle is known
 - 3: Initialization is completed
- odostatus: Odometer initialization status
 - -1: Odometer device failure
 - 0: Disabled
 - 1: Initialize the scale factor
 - 2: The scale factor initialization is completed
 - 3: The scale factor calibration is completed

• InstallState:

- -1: IMU device failure, unable to estimate the installation angle
- 0: Calibration in progress
- 1: The current quality of satellite information is insufficient and better satellite conditions are required
- 2: The current vehicle motion is insufficient and acceleration is required
- 3: The current speed of the vehicle is too low and it's required to be increased.

Mapstat:

- -1: No serial port is configured to enter MAP information
- -2: The MAP information is abnormal
- 0: No MAP message is received by the serial port or the MAP message is timeout
- 1: MAP information is received but not applied to the integrated navigation
- 2: MAP information is received and applied to the integrated navigation



Fully Free Installation Test

- 1) Install the module completely freely
- 2) Input the command \$CFGROTAT,0,0,0,2 (no configuration is required for the factory mode)
- 3) Input the command \$CFGSAVE (no configuration is required for the factory mode)
- 4) The process of self-calibration should satisfy the conditions of parking, satellite quality, vehicle motion, etc. mentioned in 2.3.5. Confirm whether the self-calibration is completed using the \$SNRSTAT command, and when the insstatus becomes 3, the self-calibration is completed.
- 5) Make sure the self-calibration is completed before entering the road with poor satellite quality.
- 6) If hot start is needed in underground garages, please provide continuous power to the V_BCKP pin.

2.3.5 Module Calibration and Notice

Self-Calibration

After the installation of the UM681, self-calibration is required to ensure the accuracy of the module output. In the process of the self-calibration, the module estimates installation status parameters and sensor parameters. The module is in GNSS navigation mode before the self-calibration is completed, and is in GNSS + INS integrated navigation mode after the self-calibration is completed.

Conditions of Completing Self-Calibration

- The self-calibration is triggered after power on, and it's required to stop the car for more than three minutes:
- Good satellite visibility is required during the process of the self-calibration (the number of visible satellites is not less than six, and CN0 is above 30 dB). The better the satellite observation quality is, the faster the calibration will be.
- It's required to make 90-degree turns for more than five times while the vehicle is running normally (this step is unnecessary for fixed installation mode).
- Keep the forward driving speed above 36 km/h on the premise of normal driving. The
 more times of acceleration (it's recommended to drive at the acceleration greater
 than 0.5 m/s² for no less than 10 times) and the longer the driving time is, the faster
 the calibration will be.

After the first calibration (insstatus 3), it is still necessary to drive for about 15 minutes in the open environments to train the IMU adequately. Otherwise, the navigation accuracy may be slightly worse if the vehicle enters a complex environment such as a tunnel and garage immediately after the first calibration.

Note:

- 1) The normal use of the module only requires one self-calibration process.
- 2) After the INS module is calibrated, it can be moved only after the power is completely cut off, including the main power VCC and the backup power V_BCKP.



3 Technical Specifications

3.1 Pin Definition

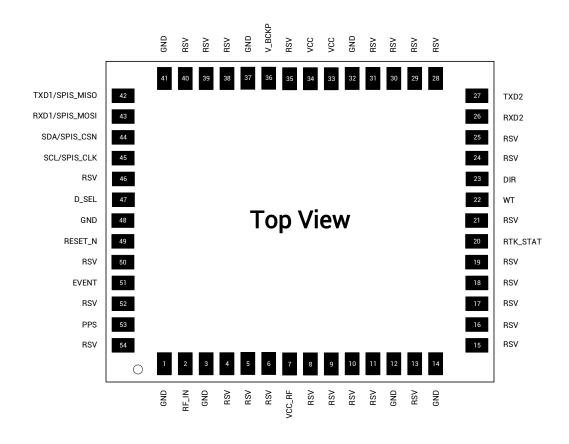


Figure 3-1 UM681 Pin Definition

Table 3-1 Pin Definition

| No. | Pin | I/O | Description |
|-----|-------------|-----|---|
| 1 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 2 | RF_IN | I | GNSS antenna signal input |
| 3 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 4 | ANT_DETECT | I | Active antenna detection. Active high. High = antenna detected; Low = antenna not detected. |
| 5 | ANT_OFF | 0 | Disable external antenna power supply. Active high. High = disable external antenna; Low = enable external antenna. |
| 6 | ANT_SHORT_N | I | Active antenna short detection. Active low. Low = antenna short circuit; High = antenna power status normal. |

| No. | Pin | I/O | Description |
|-----|---------------------|--------------|--|
| 7 | VCC_RF ² | 0 | Power supply for external antenna |
| 8 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 9 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 10 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 11 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 12 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 13 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 14 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 15 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 16 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 17 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 18 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 19 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 20 | RTK_STAT* | 0 | RTK positioning indicator: active high. High = RTK fix; Low = other status. |
| 21 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 22 | WT | I | Odometer speed pulse input. Keep it floating if not in use. It is strongly recommended to use this pin. The maximum pulse frequency is 5K Hz, and the minimum pulse width is greater than 100 µs. Note: Incorrect signals of the odometer will lead to serious problems in the use of the product. Please make sure the signal is correct. |

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 $^{^2\,}$ Not recommended to use VCC_RF to supply power to the antenna (VCC_RF has not been optimized for the anti-lightning strike and anti-surge due to the compact size of the module).

^{*} RTK_STAT is a reserved interface, not supported currently.



| No. | Pin | I/O | Description |
|-----|--------|-----|---|
| 23 | DIR | I | Odometer direction input. Keep it floating if not in use. It is strongly recommended to use it. High level = forward Low level = reverse Note: Incorrect signals of the odometer will lead to serious problems in the use of the product. Please make sure the signal is correct. |
| 24 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 25 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 26 | RXD2 | I | UART2 input, LVTTL level |
| 27 | TXD2 | 0 | UART2 output, LVTTL level |
| 28 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 29 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 30 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 31 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 32 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 33 | VCC | I | Power supply (+3.3 V) |
| 34 | VCC | I | Power supply (+3.3 V) |
| 35 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 36 | V_BCKP | I | When the main power supply VCC is cut off, V_BCKP supplies power to RTC and relevant registers. Supply voltage: 2.0 V to 3.6 V, and the working current is less than 10 µA at 25 °C. If the hot start function is not used, connect V_BCKP to VCC or a standalone power source. Do NOT connect it to ground or leave it floating. |
| 37 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 38 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 39 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 40 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 41 | GND | _ | Ground |
| | | | |

| No. | Pin | I/O | Description |
|--------|---------------------|-----|---|
| 46 | TVD1 (05:0 : :::0 = | | UART1 output (D_SEL=VCC or floating); |
| 42 | TXD1/SPIS_MISO* | 0 | Master In/Slave Out of SPI slave |
| | | | (D_SEL=GND) |
| | | | UART1 input (D_SEL=VCC or floating); |
| 43 | RXD1/SPIS_MOSI* | l | Master Out/Slave In of SPI slave |
| | | | (D_SEL=GND) |
| 44 | SDA*/SPIS_CSN* | _ | I ² C data (D_SEL=VCC or floating); |
| | | | SPI slave chip select (D_SEL=GND) |
| 45 | SCL*/SPIS_CLK* | _ | I ² C clock (D_SEL=VCC or floating); |
| | | | SPI slave clock (D_SEL=GND) |
| 46 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| | | ı | Interface select pin; |
| 47 | D_SEL | | Use pin 42 to 45 as a SPI slave when D_SEL |
| 41 | | | = GND, as UART1 and I ² C When D_SEL=VCC |
| | | | or floating |
| 48 | GND | _ | Ground |
| 49 | RESET_N | | System reset; active low; |
| 49 | UESE I TIN | ı | the active time should be no less than 5 ms. |
| 50 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 51 | EVENT* | 1 | Event mark input with adjustable frequency |
| ان | EVEINI | I | and polarity |
| 52 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| 53 | PPS | 0 | Pulse per second with adjustable pulse width |
| υs | rro | U | and polarity |
| 54 | RSV | _ | Reserved, leave floating |
| | | | |

 $^{^{\}star}$ I²C and SPI are reserved interfaces, not supported currently.

^{*} EVENT is a reserved interface, not supported currently.



3.2 Electrical Specifications

3.2.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Table 3-2 Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Symbol | Min. | Max. | Unit | Remark |
|------------------------|-------------------|------|------|------|--------|
| Power Supply | VCC | -0.2 | 3.6 | V | |
| Backup Battery | V_BCKP | -0.2 | 3.6 | V | |
| Digital Pin Voltage | | -0.2 | 3.6 | V | |
| Antenna RF Input Power | RF_IN | - | -3 | dBm | |
| Storage Temperature | T _{STG} | -40 | +85 | °C | |
| Reflow Soldering | Т | | +245 | °C | |
| Temperature | T _{SLDR} | _ | T240 | | |

3.2.2 Operational Conditions

Table 3-3 Operational Conditions

| Parameter | Symbol | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Unit | Condition |
|--|------------------|-----------|------|-----------|------|--------------------------|
| Power Supply | VCC | 2.7 | 3.3 | 3.6 | V | |
| VCC Ripple | Vp-p | | | 50 | mV | |
| Peak Current | Iccp | | | 200 | mA | VCC = 3.0 V |
| Average Tracking Current ³ | I _{ACQ} | 70 | 80 | 100 | mA | VCC = 3.0 V |
| Low Level Input Voltage | V_{IL} | -0.3 | | 0.2 × VCC | V | |
| High Level Input Voltage | V_{IH} | 0.7 × VCC | | 3.6 | V | |
| Low Level Output Voltage | V _{OL} | 0 | | 0.4 | V | I _{out} = -2 mA |
| High Level Output Voltage | V _{OH} | VCC - 0.4 | | VCC | V | I _{out} = 2 mA |
| Antenna Gain | G _{ANT} | 15 | 20 | 30 | dB | |

³ Since the product has capacitors inside, inrush current occurs during power-on. Please evaluate in the actual environment in order to check the effect of the supply voltage drop caused by inrush current in the system. These reference values are tested from samples after cold start, and the actual values may vary depending on the factors such as firmware version, external circuit, number of the satellites tracked, signal strength, start type and time, duration, and test conditions.

3.3 Dimensions

Table 3-4 Dimensions

| Symbol | Min. (mm) | Typ. (mm) | Max. (mm) |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Α | 21.80 | 22.00 | 22.50 |
| В | 16.80 | 17.00 | 17.50 |
| С | 2.40 | 2.60 | 2.80 |
| D | 3.75 | 3.85 | 3.95 |
| E | 0.95 | 1.05 | 1.15 |
| F | 1.80 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| G | 1.00 | 1.10 | 1.20 |
| Н | 0.70 | 0.80 | 0.90 |
| K | 1.40 | 1.50 | 1.60 |
| М | 3.55 | 3.65 | 3.75 |
| N | 3.15 | 3.25 | 3.35 |
| Р | 2.00 | 2.10 | 2.20 |
| R | 1.00 | 1.10 | 1.20 |
| Х | 0.72 | 0.82 | 0.92 |



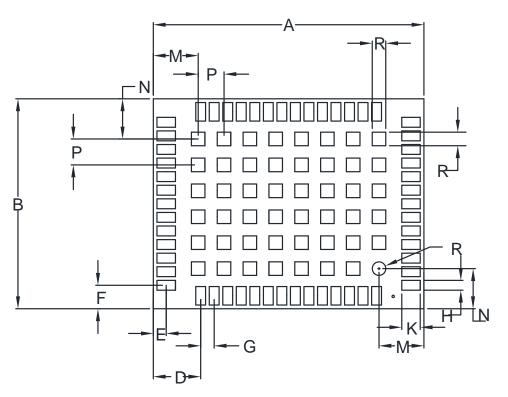




Figure 3-2 UM681 Mechanical Dimensions

4 Hardware Design

4.1 Recommended Minimal Design

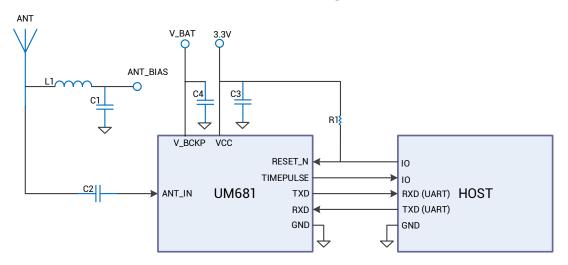


Figure 4-1 UM681 Recommended Minimal Design

Remarks:

- L1: 68 nH RF inductor in 0603 package is recommended
- C1: 100 nF + 100 pF capacitors connected in parallel is recommended
- C2: 100 pF capacitor is recommended
- C3: Several 10 µF + 100 nF capacitors connected in parallel is recommended
- C4: 100 nF capacitor is recommended
- R1: 10 kΩ resistor is recommended

4.2 Antenna Bias

UM681 does not support internal power supply to the antenna and requires external power supply. It is recommended to use components with high power and that can withstand high voltage. Gas discharge tubes, varistors, TVS tubes and other high-power protective components may also be used in the power supply circuit to further protect the module from lightning strikes and surges.

The antenna bias (ANT_BIAS) and the module's main power supply (VCC) should use separate power rails to reduce the risk of damage to the module. If ANT_BIAS and VCC use the same power rail, the ESD, surge and overvoltage generated at the antenna will be directly applied to VCC, which may cause damage to the module.



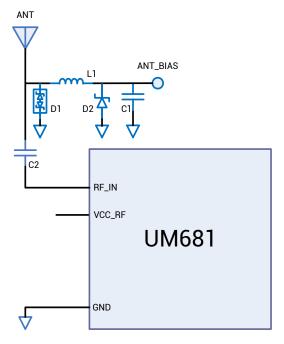


Figure 4-2 UM681 Reference Design for Antenna Bias

Remarks:

- L1: feed inductor, 68nH RF inductor in 0603 package is recommended;
- C1: decoupling capacitor, it is recommended to connect two capacitors of 100nF/100pF in parallel;
- C2: DC blocking capacitor, recommended 100pF capacitor;
- VCC_RF is not recommended to be used as ANT_BIAS to supply power to the antenna (VCC_RF has not been optimized for the anti-lightning strike and anti-surge due to the compact size of the module).
- D1: ESD diode, choose one that supports high frequency signals (above 2000 MHz).
- D2: TVS diode, choose one with appropriate clamping specifications according to the supply voltage and the antenna withstand voltage.

4.3 Antenna Detection Design

UM681 supports the detection of antenna open circuit and short circuit, and it will cut the antenna power supply when a short circuit happens. The antenna detection circuit is connected to the pins of ANT_DETECT, ANT_SHORT_N and ANT_OFF, and the voltage level of the three pins can be used to judge the antenna status.

Refer to *UM681 Series_Hardware Reference Design* for the details of the antenna detection circuit.

4.4 Power-on and Power-off

VCC

- The VCC initial level when powered on needs to be less than 0.4 V.
- The VCC ramp when powered on needs to be monotonic, without plateaus.
- The voltages of undershoot and ringing need to be within 5% of VCC.
- VCC power-on waveform: The time interval from 10% rising to 90% needs to be within 100 μ s to 10 ms.
- Power-on time interval: The time interval between the power-off (VCC < 0.4 V) to the next power-on needs to be larger than 500 ms.

V_BCKP

- The V_BCKP initial level when powered on needs to be less than 0.4 V.
- The V_BCKP ramp when powered on needs to be monotonic, without plateaus.
- The voltages of undershoot and ringing need to be within 5% of V_BCKP.
- V_BCKP power-on waveform: The time interval from 10% rising to 90% needs to be within 100 μs to 10 ms.
- Power-on time interval: The time interval between the power-off (V_BCKP < 0.4 V) to the next power-on needs to be larger than 500 ms.
- When the hot start function is not used, connect V_BCKP to VCC or a backup power source. Do not connect it to ground or leave it floating.



4.5 Grounding and Heat Dissipation

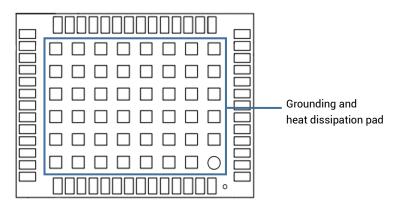


Figure 4-3 Grounding and Heat Dissipation Pad

The 48 pads in the rectangle in **Figure 4-3** are used for grounding and heat dissipation. In the PCB design, it is recommended to connect them to a large-sized ground to strengthen the heat dissipation.

4.6 Recommended Footprint on the PCB

The dimensions of UM681's footprint on the PCB is recommended to be the same as that of the module's pads, as shown in **Figure 4-4 Recommended Footprint**. For more information about the module's dimensions, see **3.3 Dimensions**.

- For the convenience of hardware testing and debugging, proper test points can be added for the functional pins of the module.
- The dimensions of PCB pads can be optimized according to the specific production process to ensure manufacturability and reliability.

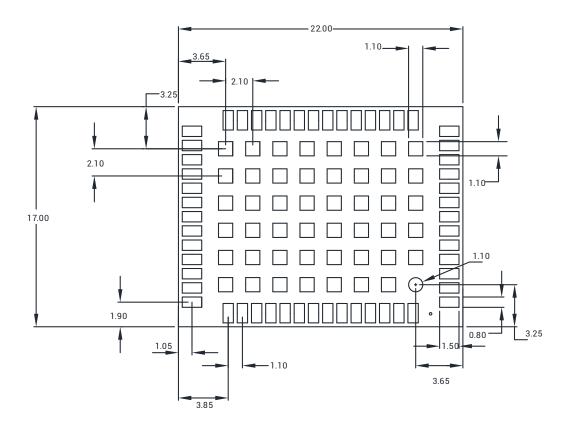


Figure 4-4 Recommended Footprint (Unit: mm)



5 Odometer Interfaces

Odometer data can be input to the UM681 module via hardware interface or software interface.

The two ways cannot be used at the same time.

5.1 Hardware Interface

The pin 22 (WT) of the UM681 module is used to receive the speed pulse signal (WHEELTICK) from the odometer, and the pin 23 (DIR) is used to receive the direction signal (FWD) from the odometer.

The odometer signal of vehicles is generally 12 V and the signal quality is poor. Therefore, signal filtering, optocoupler isolation and level conversion are required before transferring the odometer signal to the UM681 module for use.

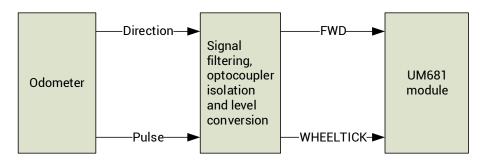


Figure 5-1 Odometer Connection

For more information about the odometer signals and reference circuit, please refer to *UM681 Series_Hardware Reference Design*.

The direction signal can be configured using the following command:

- \$CFGODOFWD,1 forward at high level and reverse at low level (by default)
- \$CFGODOFWD,0 forward at low level and reverse at high level

5.2 Software Interface

Speed and direction information can be input to the UM681 module via UART1 or UART2, which can be configured by the following command.

Syntax: \$0D0DATA,time,speed,forward,RSV,RSV,RSV

Example: \$0D0DATA,091649.00,10000,1,,,

Table 5-1 Parameter Description of ODODATA

| Parameter | Format | Description |
|-----------|--------|---|
| time | STR | UTC time; in the format of hhmmss.ss hh - Hour mm - Minute ss.ss - Second |
| speed | UINT | Driving speed; unit: 1e-3 m/s |
| forward | UINT | Driving direction: 0 - Forward 1 - Reverse |
| RSV | | Reserved |
| RSV | | Reserved |
| RSV | | Reserved |



6 Production Requirements

6.1 Clean



Do NOT use alcohol or other organic solvents to clean the module, otherwise it may lead to flux residues flooding into the shielding shell, causing mildew or other problems.

6.2 Soldering

Recommended soldering temperature curve is as follows:

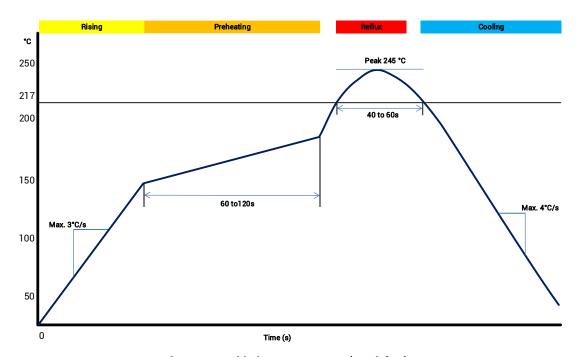


Figure 6-1 Soldering Temperature (Lead-free)

Temperature Rising Stage

Rising slope: Max. 3 °C/s

Rising temperature range: 50 °C to 150 °C

Preheating Stage

Preheating time: 60 s to 120 s

• Preheating temperature range: 150 °C to 180 °C

Reflux Stage

• Over melting temperature (217 °C) time: 40 s to 60 s

Peak temperature for soldering: no higher than 245 °C

Cooling Stage

Cooling slope: Max. 4 °C/s



In order to prevent falling off during soldering of the module, do not solder it on the back of the board during design, and better not go through soldering cycle twice.

The setting of soldering temperature depends on many factors of the factory, such as board type, solder paste type, solder paste thickness, etc. Please also refer to the relevant IPC standards and indicators of solder paste.

6.3 Stencil

The apertures in the stencil need to meet the customer's own design requirements and inspection specifications. The thickness of the stencil is recommended to be 0.15 mm (not less than 0.12 mm).

The design of the stencil can be optimized according to the specific production process to ensure manufacturability and reliability.



7 Packaging

7.1 Label Description



Figure 7-1 Label Description

7.2 Ordering Information

| Main Model | Sub-Model | Description |
|------------|-----------|---|
| | | Industrial grade; |
| | | Dual-frequency RTK integrated positioning module; |
| UM681 | 12 | Operating temperature: -40 °C to +85 °C; |
| | | Supporting firmware upgrade; |
| | | 22 mm x 17 mm; 250 pieces/reel |

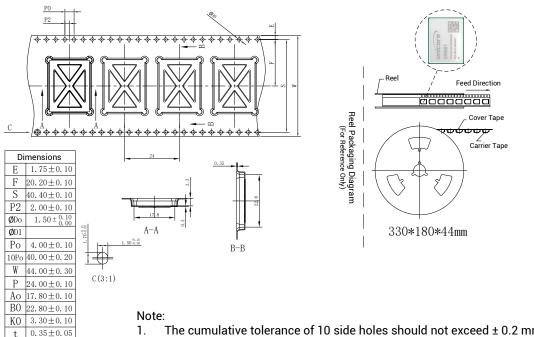
7.3 Product Packaging

The UM681 module uses carrier tape and reel (suitable for mainstream surface mount devices), packaged in vacuum-sealed aluminum foil antistatic bags, with a desiccant inside to prevent moisture. When using reflow soldering process to solder modules, please strictly comply with IPC standard to conduct temperature and humidity control. As packaging materials such as the carrier tape can only withstand the temperature of 55 °C, modules shall be removed from the package during baking.



Figure 7-2 UM681 Package





- The cumulative tolerance of 10 side holes should not exceed ± 0.2 mm. 1.
- Material of the tape: Black antistatic PS (surface impedance 105-1011) 2. (surface static voltage <100 V), thickness: 0.35 mm.
- Total length of the 13-inch reel package: 6.816 m (Length of the first part of empty packets: 0.408 m, length of packets containing modules: 6 m, length of the last part of empty packets: 0.408 m).
- 4. Total number of packets in the 13-inch reel package: 284 (Number of the 4. first part of empty packets: 17; actual number of modules in the packets: 250; number of the last part of empty packets: 17).
- All dimension designs are in accordance with EIA-481-C-2003. 5.
- The maximum bending degree of the carrier tape within the length of 250 mm should not exceed 1 mm (see the figure below).

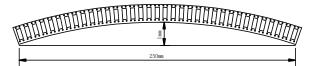


Figure 7-3 UM681 Reel Package Diagram

Table 7-1 Package Description

| Item | Description | | |
|---------------|--|--|--|
| Module Number | 250 pieces/reel | | |
| Reel Size | Tray: 13" | | |
| | External diameter: 330 ± 2 mm | | |
| | Internal diameter: 180 ± 2 mm | | |
| | Width: 44.5 ± 0.5 mm | | |
| | Thickness: 2.0 ± 0.2 mm | | |
| Carrier Tape | Space between (center-to-center distance): 24 mm | | |

Before surface mounting, make sure that the color of the 30% circle on the HUMIDITY INDICATOR is blue (see **Figure 7-4**). If the color of the 20% circle is pink and the color of the 30% circle is lavender (see **Figure 7-5**), you must bake the module until it turns to blue. The UM681 is rated at MSL level 3. Refer to the relevant IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033 standards for the package and operation requirements. Users may access to the website www.jedec.org to get more information.

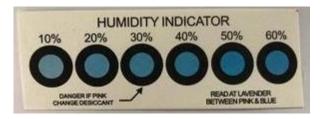


Figure 7-4 Normal Humidity Indication

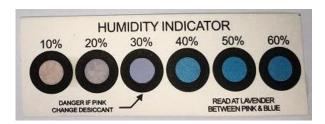


Figure 7-5 Abnormal Humidity Indication

The shelf life of the UM681 module packaged in vacuum-sealed aluminum foil antistatic bags is one year.

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