

RFFM6406

2.5V to 4.2V, ISM Band, 1 1/2W, 408MHz to 455MHz Transmit/Receive Module

The RFFM6406 is a single-chip front end module (FEM) for applications in the 400MHz ISM Band. The RFFM6406 addresses the need for aggressive size reduction for typical portable equipment RF front-end design and greatly reduces the number of components outside of the core chipset, thus minimizing the footprint and assembly cost of the overall solution. The RFFM6406 contains an integrated 1 1/2 Watt PA, SP2T antenna switch, integrated Tx harmonic filter, LNA with bypass mode, and matching components. The RFFM6406 is packaged in a 28-pin, 6.0mm x 6.0mm x 0.975mm over-molded laminate package with backside ground which greatly minimizes next level board space and allows for simplified integration.



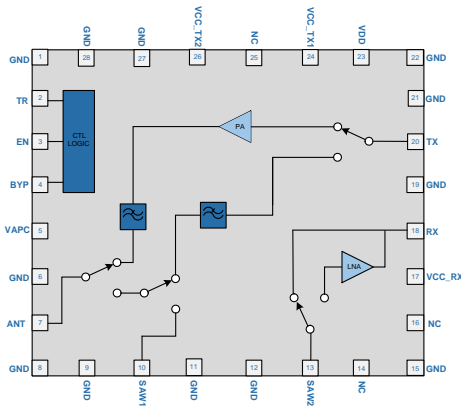
Package: LGA, 28-pin, 6.0mm x 6.0mm x 0.975mm

Features

- Integrated 50Ω Input/Output Match
- Tx Output Power: 32dBm
- Separate Tx/Rx 50Ω Transceiver Interface
- Integrated PA + filtering and PA Bypass Mode and LNA with Bypass Mode

Applications

- 400MHz ISM Bands
- Single Chip RF Front End Module
- Wireless Automatic Metering
- Portable Battery Powered Equipment
- Smart Energy



Functional Block Diagram

Ordering Information

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|-----------------|---|
| RFFM6406SB | 5-piece bag |
| RFFM6406SQ | 25-piece bag |
| RFFM6406SR | Standard 100-piece reel |
| RFFM6406TR13 | Standard 2500-piece reel |
| RFFM6406PCK-410 | Fully assembled eval board + 5 loose pieces |

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------|
| Voltage | 5.25 | V |
| Storage Temperature Range | -40 to +150 | °C |
| Operating Temperature Range | -40 to +70 (100% Duty Cycle) | °C |
| | +70 to +85 (≤80% Duty Cycle) | °C |
| Receive RF Input Power (SAW2) | +25 | dBm |
| Transmit RF Input Power (PA Enabled) | +15 | dBm |
| Transmit RF Input Power (PA Bypass) | +20 | dBm |
| Receive RF Input Power (ANT) | +33 | dBm |
| T/R Port Load VSWR in Transmit Mode | 10:1 | |
| ESD, HBM | 500 | V |
| ESD, CDM | 500 | V |
| Moisture Sensitivity Level | MSL3 | |



Caution! ESD sensitive device.



RFMD Green: RoHS status based on EU Directive 2011/65/EU (at time of this document revision), halogen free per IEC 61249-2-21, < 1000ppm each of antimony trioxide in polymeric materials and red phosphorus as a flame retardant, and <2% antimony in solder.

Exceeding any one or a combination of the Absolute Maximum Rating conditions may cause permanent damage to the device. Extended application of Absolute Maximum Rating conditions to the device may reduce device reliability. Specified typical performance or functional operation of the device under Absolute Maximum Rating conditions is not implied.

Nominal Operating Parameters

| Parameter | Specification | | | Unit | Condition |
|---|---------------|------|------|------|---|
| | Min | Typ | Max | | |
| Frequency | 408 | | 455 | MHz | |
| RF Port Impedance | | 50 | | Ω | |
| Leakage Current | | | | | V_{CC}Tx1 = 4.2V, V_{CC}Tx2 = 4.2V, V_{DD} = 4.2V, V_{CC}Rx = 4.2V, V_{APC} = 0.0V, EN = 0.0V, TR = 0.0V, BYP = 0.0V, RF = Off, Temperature = 25°C |
| V _{DD} | | 0.05 | 0.15 | μA | |
| V _{CC} TX | | 0.05 | 0.40 | μA | |
| V _{CC} RX | | 0.05 | 0.40 | μA | |
| Operating Voltages | | | | | |
| V _{CC} TX1/2 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 4.2 | V | |
| V _{CC} RX | 2.5 | 3.3 | 4.2 | V | |
| V _{DD} | 2.5 | 3.9 | 4.2 | V | |
| Tx Output Power Control (V _{APC}) | 0.00 | 2.25 | 2.50 | V | V _{APC} operates such that the transmitter output power is saturated at a level lower than 1.9V and minimal variation in output power of the device occurs above that level |
| Transmit High Power Mode | | | | | V_{CC}Tx1 = 3.9V, V_{CC}Tx2 = 3.9V, V_{DD} = 3.9V, V_{APC} = 2.3V, EN = 1.8V, TR = 1.8V, BYP = 0.2V, Measured Path=TX to ANT, Temperature = 25°C |
| Nominal Power | 30.0 | 31.0 | 31.5 | dBm | P _{IN} = +3.5dBm, Temp = 25°C |
| | 30.0 | 31.0 | 31.5 | dBm | P _{IN} = +1.5dBm, Temp = -30°C |
| | 30.0 | 31.0 | 31.5 | dBm | P _{IN} = +4.5dBm, Temp = 60°C |
| Saturated Power | 32.0 | 32.5 | | dBm | P _{IN} = +10.0dBm, Temp = 25°C |
| | 32.0 | 32.5 | | dBm | P _{IN} = +10.0dBm, Temp = -30°C |
| | 31.5 | 32.2 | | dBm | P _{IN} = +10.0dBm, Temp = 60°C |
| Input Return Loss | 12 | | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss Small Signal | | 7 | | dB | |

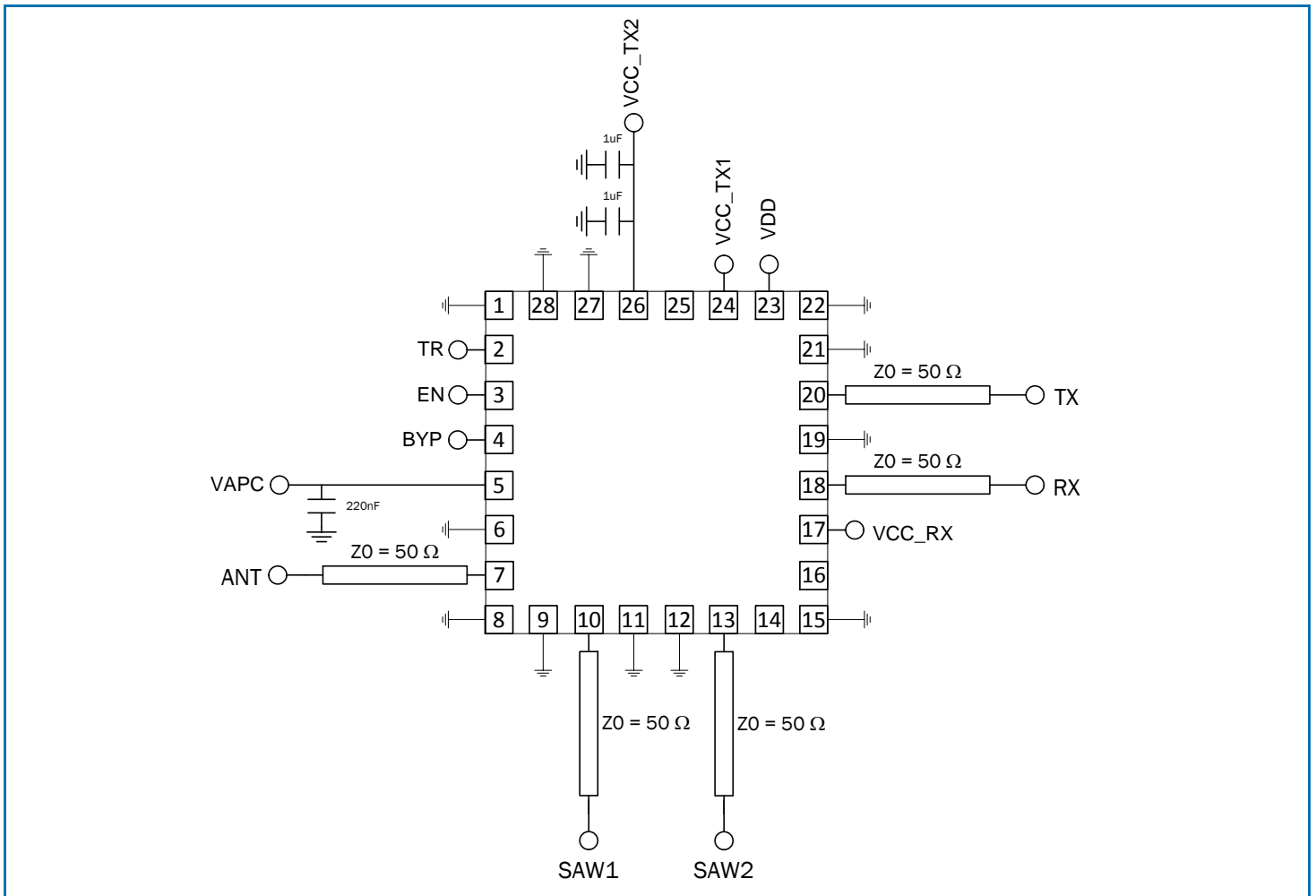
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| | Min | Typ | Max | | |
| Transmit High Power Mode | | | | | V_{CC}Tx1 = 3.9V, V_{CC}Tx2 = 3.9V, V_{DD} = 3.9V, V_{APC} = 2.3V, EN = 1.8V, T_R = 1.8V, BYP = 0.2V, Measured Path=TX to ANT, Temperature = 25°C |
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| Saturated Power | 32.0 | 32.5 | | dBm | P _{IN} = +10.0dBm, Temp = 25°C |
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| Input Return Loss | 12 | | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss Small Signal | | 7 | | dB | |
| Operating Current | | 770 | 1000 | mA | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm, I _{CC} TX1 + I _{CC} TX2 |
| Worst-Case Operating Current, 6:1 VSWR | | | 1200 | mA | I _{CC} TX1 + I _{CC} TX2, Over Temperature, at nominal power input drive |
| Quiescent Current | | 80 | | mA | I _{CC} TX1 + I _{CC} TX2, RF = Off |
| | | | 35 | μA | I _{APC} , RF = Off |
| I _{DD} | | | 15 | mA | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm |
| I _{APC} | | 30 | 60 | μA | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm |
| Second Harmonic | | -45 | -30 | dBc | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm |
| Third - Tenth Harmonic | | | -60 | dBc | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm |
| Gain | 25.0 | | | dB | V _{CC} Tx1, V _{CC} Tx2 = 3.9V, PIN = +6dBm |
| | 22.0 | | | dB | V _{CC} Tx1, V _{CC} Tx2 = 2.7V, PIN = +6dBm |
| Output Power Variation | -0.4 | | -0.4 | dB | Over frequencies and voltage |
| Module PAE | | 40 | | % | V _{CC} Tx1, V _{CC} Tx2 = 3.9V, P _{OUT} = 31dBm (takes into account filter and switches) |
| PA PAE | | 62 | | % | V _{CC} Tx1, V _{CC} Tx2 = 3.9V, P _{OUT} = 31dBm (Excludes losses of module filter and switches) |
| Power on RX Port (Pin 18) | | | -20 | dBm | P _{OUT} = 31.0dBm |
| Transmit Bypass Mode | | | | | V_{CC}Tx1 = 3.9V, V_{CC}Tx2 = 3.9V, V_{DD} = 3.9V, V_{APC} = 0.0V, EN = 1.8V, T_R = 1.8V, BYP = 1.8V, Measured Path=TX to ANT, Temperature = 25°C |
| Insertion Loss | | 2.5 | 3.0 | dB | |
| Input P1dB | 26 | 30 | | dBm | |
| Input IP3 | 43 | 45 | | dBm | |
| Input Return Loss | 15 | | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss | 15 | | | dB | |
| Second Harmonic Attenuation | 30 | | | dB | Second Harmonic Insertion Loss |
| Third - Tenth Harmonic Attenuation | 50 | | | dB | Third-Tenth Harmonic Insertion Loss |
| Receive Mode | | | | | V_{CC}Tx1 = 3.3V, V_{CC}Tx2 = 3.3V, V_{DD} = 3.3V, V_{CC}Rx = 3.3V, V_{APC} = 0.0V, EN = 1.8V, T_R = 0.2V, BYP = 0.2V, Measured Path = SAW2 to RX, Temperature = 25°C |
| IP1dB | -12 | | | dBm | |
| Gain | 14 | 15 | 16 | dB | |
| Operating Current | 4 | 5 | 7 | mA | |
| I _{DD} | | 1 | | mA | |
| Noise Figure | | 1.9 | 2.7 | dB | |
| IIP3 | 1 | 3 | 5 | dBm | |

| Parameter | Specification | | | Unit | Condition |
|----------------------------|---------------|------|-----|---------|--|
| | Min | Typ | Max | | |
| Receive Mode | | | | | $V_{CCTx1} = 3.3V, V_{CCTx2} = 3.3V, V_{DD} = 3.3V, V_{CCRx} = 3.3V,$ $V_{APC} = 0.0V, EN = 1.8V, T_R = 0.2V, BYP = 0.2V,$ Measured Path = SAW2 to RX, Temperature = 25°C |
| Input Return Loss | 10 | | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss | 10 | | | dB | |
| Receive Bypass Mode | | | | | $V_{CCTx1} = 3.3V, V_{CCTx2} = 3.3V, V_{DD} = 3.3V, V_{CCRx} = 3.3V,$ $V_{APC} = 0.0V, EN = 1.8V, T_R = 0.2V, BYP = 1.8V,$ Measured Path = SAW2 to RX, Temperature = 25°C |
| Insertion Loss | | 2 | | dB | |
| I_{DD} Quiescent | | 200 | | μA | |
| IP1dB | | 19 | | dBm | |
| IIP3 | 42 | 44 | | dBm | |
| Input Return Loss | 7.5 | | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss | 7 | | | dB | |
| Antenna Switch | | | | | Measured ANT to SAW1, RX & RX BYPASS Modes |
| Insertion Loss | | 0.5 | 0.6 | dB | |
| Input Return Loss | 15.5 | 16.0 | | dB | |
| Output Return Loss | 15.5 | 16.0 | | dB | |
| Isolation | | | | | |
| Isolation | 30 | | | dB | ANT to SAW1, module in Transmit Bypass Mode |
| | 50 | | | dB | ANT to SAW1, module in Transmit High Power Mode |
| Logic | | | | | EN, TR, BYP |
| Control Logic HIGH | 1.6 | | 4.0 | V | Max Control Logic High = $V_{DD} \pm 0.5VDC$ |
| Control Logic LOW | | 0.2 | 0.3 | V | |
| Control Logic HIGH Current | | | 0.4 | μA | |
| Control Logic LOW Current | | 0.1 | | μA | |

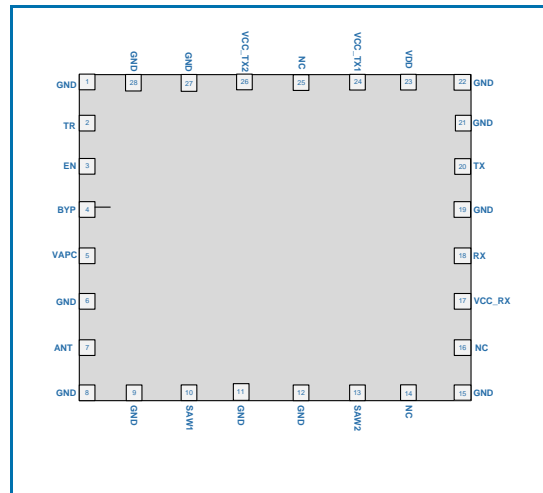
Switch Control Truth Table

| Operating Mode | TR | EN | BYP | PA | LNA |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-----|
| | (Pin2) | (Pin3) | (Pin4) | | |
| Transmit | High | High | Low | ON | OFF |
| Transmit Bypass | High | High | High | OFF | OFF |
| Receive | Low | High | Low | OFF | ON |
| Receive Bypass | Low | High | High | OFF | OFF |
| Shutdown | X | Low | X | OFF | OFF |

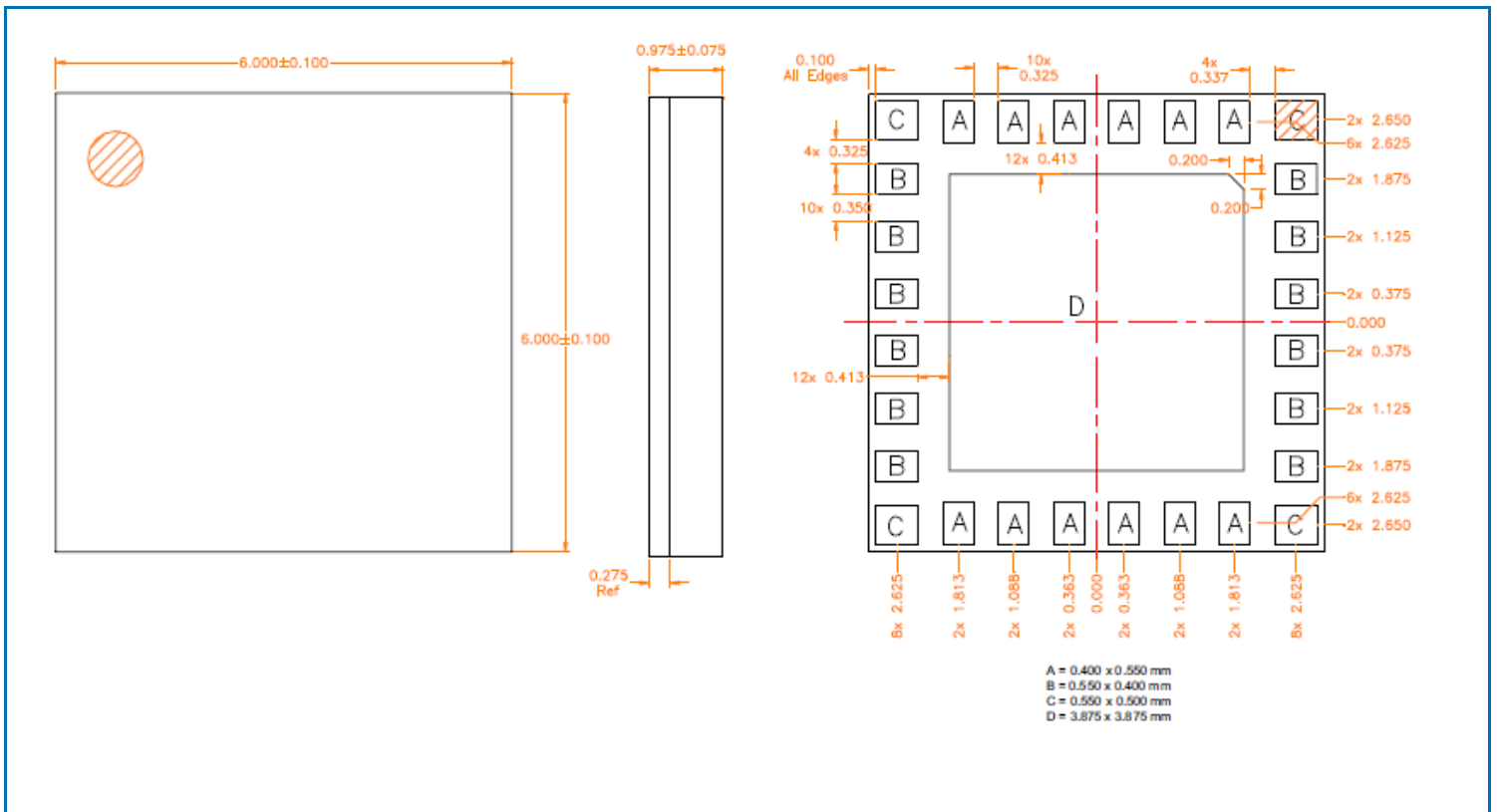
Application Schematic



Pin Out



Package Outline and Branding Drawing (Dimensions in millimeters)



PCB Patterns

