

IEEE 802.15.4 Multi-Stack Multi-Channel Communications Controller

Product Brief

Product Overview

The GP712 System-on-Chip is an IEEE 802.15.4 multi-stack multi-channel communications controller for integration into a ZigBee node. It is compliant with the IEEE Standard 802.15.4, providing robust spread spectrum data communication with a secure encrypted data flow, and supports multiple ZigBee 3.0 (including RF4CE, ZigBee Pro and Green Power) and Thread protocol stacks in the host processor. These stacks can operate in different networks (PANs) and on different channels. The GP712is able to listen simultaneously on three different channels with antenna diversity.



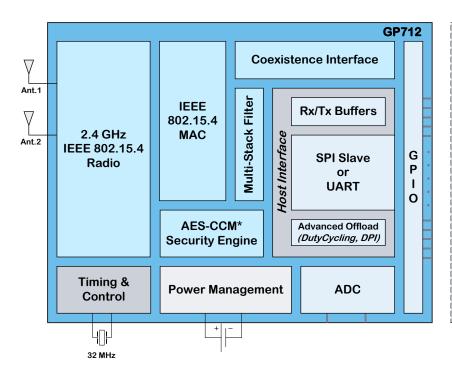
The GP712 interference robustness and antenna diversity offer superior performance in a crowded wireless 2.4 GHz environment. In addition, the GP712 presents a Coexistence Interface to enable coexistence with other potentially interfering radios (Bluetooth, Wi-Fi) within the same host device.

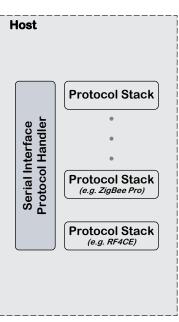
The GP712 provides a high-speed serial interface (SPI or UART) to the host processor.

It supports stand-alone RF4CE DutyCycling and packet filtering through Deep Packet Inspection when the host is asleep and has an extremely low standby power consumption enabling total system power consumption of less than 1 mW while allowing reception of remote control commands

The GP712 is optimized for low cost while providing superior performance. Its radio characteristics reduce the product's RF design complexity enabling low cost single layer applications using simple PCB antennas requiring no shielding and a minimum number of external components.

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Key Features

- IEEE 802.15.4 compliant PHY and Real-Time MAC
- Operates in the worldwide 2.4 GHz ISM-band
- Excellent range by antenna diversity: 8 dB more reliable link budget compared to single antenna
- Additional robustness by packet-in-packet resynchronization
- · External PA signals for extended range
- Hardware accelerated AES and CCM* encryption with 128, 192 and 256-bit keys
- 8 Kbyte RAM for data buffering
- Extremely low standby power consumption
- External Controller SPI or UART Slave interface
- Stand-alone RF4CE DutyCycling support and RF4CE packet filtering when the host is asleep
- Multi-Stack Multi-Channel support, operating in up to 3 PANs on different channels
- Coexistence Interface with other radios in the device

Multi Stack Support

The GP712 can support multiple protocol stacks in the host processor, operating in up to 3 Personal Area Networks. These PANs may be on the same or on different RF channels.

Excellent Range and Reliability

The GP712 has been optimized for reliable communication in harsh radio environments. The excellent receiver sensitivity and high transmit power allow extended coverage. Built-in antenna diversity with two antennas improves the reliable link budget by 8 dB resulting in approximately twice the reliable range compared to similar systems with only one antenna. In high density networks the packet-in-packet resynchronization further improves the communication reliability. The potential risks of interference by Wi-Fi and/or Bluetooth devices have been reduced by an excellent receiver interference rejection capability and dynamic adaption of the frequency channel.

The Coexistence Interface can be used to enable coexistence of the IEEE 802.15.4 radio of the GP712 with other potentially interfering radios (Wi-Fi, Bluetooth) within the same device.

Ultra-Low Power Consumption

The GP712 is designed for ultra-low power network applications. It supports RF4CE duty cycling and can wake up the host when a specified message has been received, with RF4CE Network layer and Profile layer Deep Packet Inspection, to allow the host to stay asleep as much as possible.

Low Cost

The GP712 is designed to operate on PCB designs using only low cost components and printed circuit antennas. No expensive shielding, chip antennas or voltage regulators are required.

Electrical Characteristics

Standby Mode Currents ¹		
Using internal RC oscillator	1.2 μΑ	
Using crystal oscillator	760 µA	
Operational Currents ¹		
Receive	14 mA	
Transmit (at 0 dBm)	18 mA	
Transmit (at 7 dBm)	30 mA	
Supply Voltage	2.1 to 3.6 V	
Interfaces		
SPI Slave serial host interface		
UART-based serial host interface		
Coexistence Interface with other radios		
External LNA/PA signals		
2 Analog input lines		
ADC to monitor the analog inputhe power supply level	t lines and	
Crystal Frequency	32.000 MHz (±40 ppm)	

Radio Characteristics

Standards compliant	IEEE 802.15.4-2003	
	IEEE 802.15.4-2006	
Radio Regulations	ETSI EN 300 328	
compliant	FCC CFR-47 Part 15	
P	ARIB STD-T66	
Frequency Band	2400 – 2483.5 MHz	
Channels	16 (programmable, 5 MHz steps)	
Modulation	IEEE 802.15.4	
Chip rate	2 Mchip/s	
Data Rate	250 kbit/s	
Receiver Sensitivity 1	-95 dBm typical	
Antenna diversity gain ²	8 dB	
(increases the 'effective' receiver sensitivity to -103 dBm)		
Transmit Power	+7 dBm	
	(adjustable down in 1 dB steps)	
Radio Management	Antenna Diversity	
	Digital RSSI	
	Link Quality Indication	



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General Characteristics

Package	QFN24, 4x4 mm
Operating Temperature	-40 to +85 °C (industrial)
Storage Temperature	-50 to +150 °C
Soldering Temperature	260 °C (10 s max)
Compliance	RoHS

- 1) Typical, at 3.0 V and 25 °C, unless specified otherwise.
- 2) For typical indoor usage in an environment with 50 ns delay spread and 2 MHz signal bandwidth using the Rayleigh fading model: antenna diversity with 2 antennas results in a 8 dB improved link budget at a 1% outage probability compared to no antenna diversity. The 8 dB in link budget translates into 70% more range, if using a two slope range model with the breakpoint at 10 m and g1 = 2, g2 = 3.5

Reference Designs, Tools and SW

Qorvo reference designs, development kits, software libraries and production platforms provide a quick time-to-market solution for sensor and control devices for Smart Home networks and for RF4CE/BLE Remote Control products.

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