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Product Specifications

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About This Document

Scope

This document is applicable to N51 series.

Audience

This document is intended for system engineers (SEs), development engineers, and test engineers.

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| Issue | Date | Change | Changed By |
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| 1.0 | 2018-10 | Initial draft | Ye Wei |
| 1.1 | 2019-02 | Added sleep mode and idle current | Ye Wei |
| 1.2 | 2019-08 | Modified current consumption data of N51 | Ye Wei |

Conventions

| Symbol | Indication |
|--------|---|
| 0 | This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause fatal device damage or even bodily damage. |
| 1 | Means reader be careful. In this situation, you might perform an action that could result in module or product damages. |
| • | Means note or tips for readers to use the module |



Related Documents

Neoway_N51_Hardware_User_Guide

Neoway_N51_AT_Command_Mannual

Neoway_N51_EVK_User_Guide

1 About N51

N51 is an industrial WCDMA module that is developed on UNISOC platform. It supports GSM and WCDMA cellular networks.

1.1 Product Overview

N51 series include multiple variants. Table 1-1 lists the variants and frequency bands supported.

Table 1-1 Variant and frequency bands

| Function | Version | Band |
|----------|---------|---|
| N51 | CE | UMTS: B1, B8 GSM/GPRS: 900/1800 MHz |
| N51 | WW | UMTS: B1, B2, B5, B8 GSM/GPRS: 850/900/1800/1900 MHz |

N51 adopts 100-pin LGA package and its dimensions are 30 mm x 28 mm x 2.45 mm. With industrial-grade performance, this module is well applicable to electrical terminals, industrial control, POS, and other IoT terminals.

1.2 Block Diagram

N51 consists of the following functionality modules:

- Baseband
- Crystal oscillator
- Power management unit
- Memory
- Digital interfaces (USIM/UART/SPI/I2C/GPIO/KEYPAD)
- Analog interfaces (USB/Audio/ADC)
- RF unit (2G/3G antenna)

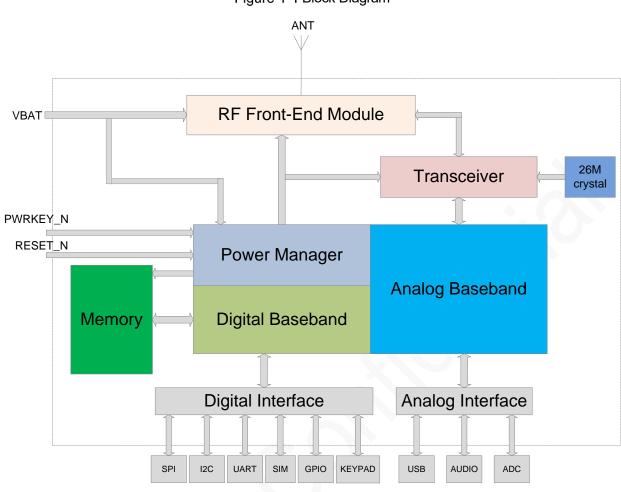


Figure 1-1 Block Diagram

1.3 Basic Features

Table 1-2 N51 baseband and wireless features

| Parameter | Description |
|--------------------|--|
| Physical features | Dimensions: (30.0±0.15) mm × (28.0±0.15) mm × (2.45±0.15) mm Weight: 4.6g Package: 100-pin LGA |
| Temperature ranges | Operating: -30°C to 75 °C Extended: -40°C to 85 °C Storage: -45°C to 90 °C |
| Power supply | VBAT: 3.3V to 4.3V, TYP: 3.8V |
| Current | See Table 4-2 |
| MIPS processor | ARM926EJ 32bit RISC processor, 460.8 MHz main frequency |



| Mamani | ROM: 128MB |
|------------------------|--|
| Memory | RAM: 64MB, LPDDR1 |
| Band | See Table 1-1 |
| | GPRS: Max 85.6 Kbit/s(DL) / Max 85.6 Kbit/s(UL) |
| Wireless data rate | EDGE: Downlink, Max 236.8 Kbit/s(DL) |
| | WCDMA: HSDPA/HSUPA, Max 7.2Mbit/s (DL)/Max 1.92Mbit/s(UL) |
| | GSM850: 33±2dBm (Power Class 4) |
| | EGSM900: 33±2dBm (Power Class 4) |
| Transmit power | DCS1800: 30±2dBm (Power Class 1) |
| | PCS1900: 30±2dBm (Power Class 1) |
| | WCDMA: 24+1/-3 dBm (Power Class 3) |
| | $2G/3G$ antenna, 50Ω characteristic impedance |
| | Two UART interfaces, one of which supports hardware flow control |
| | Two USIM interfaces, compatible with 1.8V/3V USIM cards, 2 mm * 2 mm eSIM optional |
| | One USB2.0 high-speed interface |
| Application Interfaces | One 10-bit ADC interface, detectable voltage ranging from 0.1 to 1.7V. |
| menaces | One SPI interface |
| | Four GPIOs with interrupt |
| | One I2C interface |
| | One set of 3*3 key pads |
| | One audio input and one audio output |



2 Compliant Standards

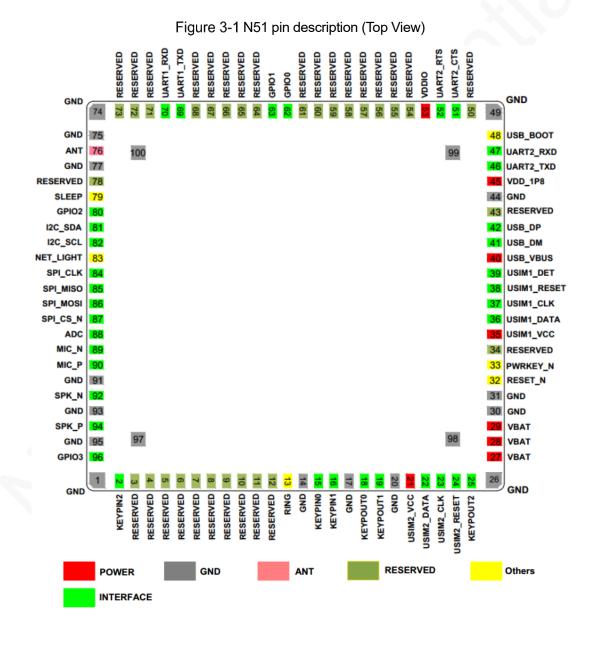
N51 complies with the following standards:

- 3GPP TS 07.07 AT command set for GSM Mobile Equipment (ME)
- YD 1214-2006 Technical requirement of 900/1800MHz TDMA Digital Cellular Mobile
 Telecommunication Network General Packet Radio Service (GPRS)Equipment: Mobile Stations
- YD 1215-2006 Testing Methods of 900/1800MHz TDMA Digital Cellular Mobile
 Telecommunication Network General Packet Radio Service (GPRS)Equipment: Mobile Stations
- YD 1032-2000 Limits and Measurement Methods of Electromagnetic Compatibility for 900/1800MHz Digital Cellular Telecommunications System Part1:Mobile Station and Ancillary Equipment
- YD/T 2220-2011 Technical Requirement and test method of WCDMA/GSM(GPRS) dual mode digit mobile user equipment (phase 4)
- Ministry of Industry and Information Technology PRC, Measures for the Network Access Management of Telecommunication Equipment (2014 Amendment)
- GB4943.1-2011 Information technology equipment Safety Part 1: General requirements
- GB/T22450.1-2008 Limits and measurement methods of electromagnetic compatibility for 900/1800MHz TDMA digital cellular telecommunications system - Part 1: Mobile station and ancillary equipment
- CNCA-O7C-031:2007Rules for Compulsory Certification of Telecommunication Equipment
 Telecommunication Terminal Equipment
- 3GPP TS GSM Specification Set

3 Pin and Appearance

There are 100 pins on N51 and their pads are introduced in LGA package.

3.1 Pad Layout



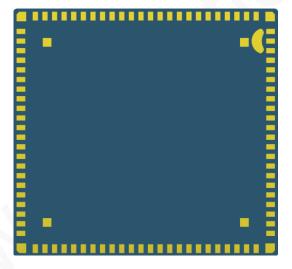
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3.2 Appearance

Figure 3-2 Top view of N51



Figure 3-3 Bottom view of N51





Label in the above figure is for reference only



4 Electric Feature and Reliability

This chapter describes the electrical features and reliability of N51.

4.1 Electric Features

Table 4-1 Electric features of N51

| Status | | Minimum Value | Typical Value | Maximum Value |
|--------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| VBAT | V_{in} | 3.3V | 3.8V | 4.3V |
| VDAT | l _{in} | / | 1 | 2A |



If the voltage is too low, the module might fail to start. If the voltage is too high or there is a voltage burst during the startup, the module might be damaged permanently.

If you use LDO or DC-DC to supply power for the module, ensure that it outputs at least 2 A current.

Table 4-2 Current consumption of N51 (Typical)

| Working Status | Sleep (mA) | Idle (mA) | Active (mA) | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|
| Network Mode | | | Band | TX (@max TX Power) |
| | 3.2 | 35 | B1 | 480 |
| UMTS | | | B2 | 465 |
| OWIS | | | B5 | 442 |
| | | | B8 | 460 |
| | 2 | 34 | GSM850 | 222 |
| GSM | | | GSM900 | 230 |
| GSIVI | | | DCS1800 | 165 |
| | | | PCS1900 | 164 |
| | | | GSM850 | 389 |
| GPRS(4up1dn) | 2 | 34 | GSM900 | 406 |
| | | | DCS1800 | 272 |



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4.2 Temperature Feature

Table 4-3 Temperature features of N51

| Status | Minimum Value | Typical Value | Maximum Value |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Operating | -30°C | 25℃ | 75℃ |
| Extended | -40°C | | 85°C |
| Storage | -45°C | | 90°C |



If the module works in an environment where the temperature exceeds the thresholds of the operating temperature range, RF performance might be worse

4.3 ESD Protection

Testing environment:

Humidity 45% Temperature 25°C

Table 4-4 ESD feature of N51

| Testing Point | Contact Discharge | Air Discharge |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| VBAT | ±8kV | ±15kV |
| GND | ±8kV | ±15kV |
| ANT | ±8kV | ±15kV |
| Cover | ±8kV | ±15kV |
| Others | ±2kV | ±4kV |

5 RF Features

This chapter describes the RF features of N51.

5.1 Operating Bands

Table 5-1 Operating bands of N51

| Operating Bands | Uplink | Downlink |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| GSM850 | 824~849MHz | 869~894MHz |
| EGSM900 | 880~915MHz | 925~960MHz |
| DCS1800 | 1710~1785MHz | 1805~1880MHz |
| PCS1900 | 1850~1910MHz | 1930~1990MHz |
| UMTS B1 | 1920~1980MHz | 2110~2170MHz |
| UMTS B2 | 1850~1910MHz | 1930~1990MHz |
| UMTS B5 | 824~849MHz | 869~894MHz |
| UMTS B8 | 880~915MHz | 925~960MHz |



5.2 TX Power and RX Sensitivity

Table 5-2 TX power and RX sensitivity of N51

| TX Power | RX Sensitivity |
|----------------|--|
| 33dBm+2/-2dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| 33dBm+2/-2dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| 30dBm+2/-2dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| 30dBm+2/-2dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| 24dBm +1/-3dBm | ≤-107 dBm |
| 24dBm +1/-3dBm | ≤-107 dBm |
| 24dBm +1/-3dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| 24dBm +1/-3dBm | ≤-108 dBm |
| | 33dBm+2/-2dBm 33dBm+2/-2dBm 30dBm+2/-2dBm 30dBm+2/-2dBm 24dBm +1/-3dBm 24dBm +1/-3dBm 24dBm +1/-3dBm |



All values above were obtained in the lab. In actual applications, there might be a difference because of network environments.



6 Mechanical Features

This chapter describes the mechanical features of N51.

6.1 Dimensions

30±0.15 29.6±0.1 28.4±0.1

Figure 6-1 N51 dimensions (Unit: mm)



6.2 Packing

N51 modules are packaged in sealed vacuum bags with dryer, humidity card, and tray on delivery to guarantee a long shelf life. Follow the same package method again in case of opened for any reasons.

6.2.1 Tray

TBD

6.2.2 Moisture

N51 is a level 3 moisture-sensitive electronic elements, in compliance with IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020 standard.

If the module is exposed to air for more than 48 hours at conditions not worse than 30°C/60% RH, bake it at a temperature higher than 90 degree for more than 12 hours before SMT.Or, if the indication card shows humidity greater than 20%, the baking procedure is also required.Do not bake modules with the package tray directly.

6.3 Storage

Temperature: 20°C∼26°C

Humility: 40% to 60%Period: 120 days



7 Mounting N51 onto the Application Board

N51 is introduced in 100-pin LGA package. This chapter describes N51 foot print, recommended PCB design and SMT information to guide users how to mount the module onto application PCB board.

7.1 Bottom Dimensions

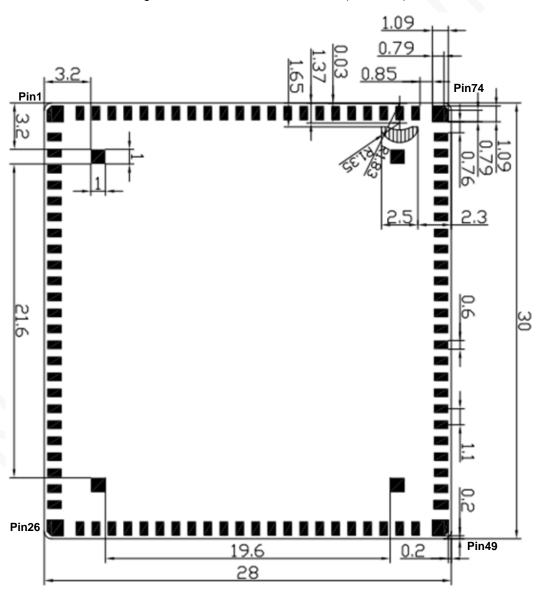


Figure 7-1 N51 bottom dimensions (Unit: mm)



7.2 Application Foot Print

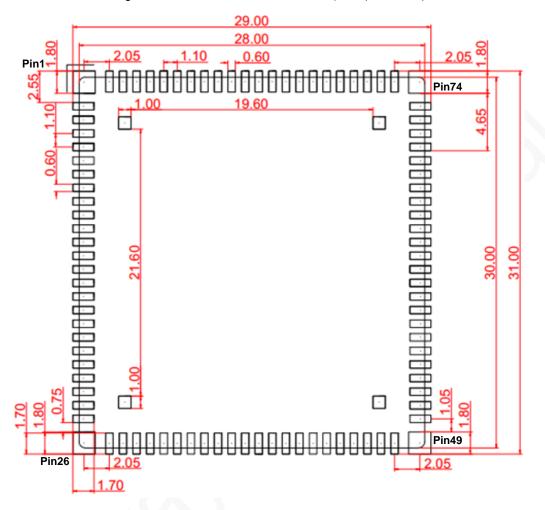


Figure 7-2 Recommended PCB foot print (Unit: mm)

7.3 Stencil

The recommended stencil thickness is at least 0.12 mm to 0.15 mm.

7.4 Solder Paste

Do not use the kind of solder paste different from our module technique.

- The melting temperature of solder paste with lead is 35 °C lower than that of solder paste without lead. It is easy to cause voiding inside the module after second reflow soldering.
- When using only solder pastes with lead, please ensure that the reflow temperature is kept at 220 °C for more than 45 seconds and the peak temperature reaches 240 °C.



7.5 SMT Furnace Temperature Curve

Thin or long PCB might bend during SMT. So, use loading tools during the SMT and reflow soldering process to avoid poor solder joint caused by PCB bending.

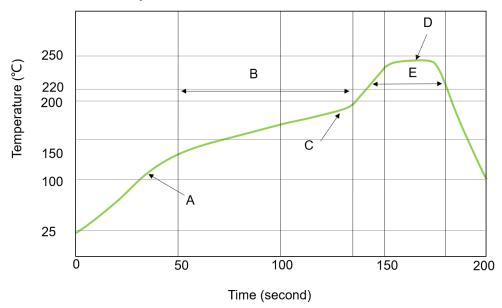


Figure 7-3 SMT furnace temperature curve

Technical parameters:

Ramp up rate: 1 to 4 °C/sec
Ramp down rate: 1 to 3 °C/sec

Soaking zone: 150 to 180 °C, Time: 60 to 100 s

Reflow zone: >220 °C, Time: 40 to 90 s

Peak temperature: 235-245 °C



Neoway will not provide warranty for heat-responsive element abnormalities caused by improper temperature control.

For information about cautions in N51 storage and mounting, refer to *Neoway Module Reflow Manufacturing Recommendations*.

When manually desoldering the module, use heat guns with great opening, adjust the temperature to 245 degrees (depending on the type of the solder paste), and heat the module till the solder paste is melt. Then remove the module using tweezers. Do not shake the module in high temperatures while removing it. Otherwise, the components inside the module might get misplaced.



8 Safety Recommendations

Ensure that this product is used in compliant with the requirements of the country and the environment. Please read the following safety recommendations to avoid body hurts or damages of product or work place:

- Do not use this product at any places with a risk of fire or explosion such as gasoline stations, oil
 refineries, etc.
- Do not use this product in environments such as hospital or airplane where it might interfere with other electronic equipment.

Please follow the requirements below in application design:

- Do not disassemble the module without permission from Neoway. Otherwise, we are entitled to refuse to provide further warranty.
- Please design your application correctly by referring to the HW design guide document and our review feedback on your PCB design. Please connect the product to a stable power supply and lay out traces following fire safety standards.
- Please avoid touch the pins of the module directly in case of damages caused by ESD.
- Do not remove the USIM card in idle mode.



A Abbreviation

| Abbreviation | English Full Name |
|--------------|---|
| ADC | Analog-Digital Converter |
| EGSM | Enhanced GSM |
| EMC | Electro-Magnetic Compatibility |
| EMI | Electro-Magnetic Interference |
| ESD | Electronic Static Discharge |
| eSIM | Embedded SIM |
| GPIO | General Purpose Input/Output |
| GPRS | General Packet Radio Service |
| GSM | Global Standard for Mobile Communications |
| IC | Integrated Circuit |
| I2C | Inter-Integrated Circuit |
| IMEI | International Mobile Equipment Identity |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode |
| LGA | Land Grid Array |
| MCU | Micro-Controller Unit |
| MS | Mobile Station |
| PCB | Printed Circuit Board |
| PCS | Personal Communication System |
| POS | Point of Sale |
| RAM | Random Access Memory |
| RF | Radio Frequency |
| ROM | Read-Only Memory |
| RTC | Real Time Clock |
| SMD | Surface Mounted Devices |
| SMS | Short Message Service |
| SMT | Surface Mounted Technology |
| SPI | Series Peripheral Interface |



| TVS | Transient Voltage Suppressor |
|-------|---|
| UART | Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter |
| UMTS | Universal Mobile Telecommunications System |
| USIM | Universal Subscriber Identification Module |
| USB | Universal Serial Bus |
| VSWR | Voltage Standing Wave Ratio |
| WCDMA | Wideband Code Division Multiple Access |