

WL1835MODCOM8B WLAN MIMO and Bluetooth® Module Evaluation Board for TI Sitara™ Platform

User's Guide



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About This Manual

This user's guide describes how to use the TI WL1835MODCOM8B board to evaluate the performance of the TI WL18MODGB module.

Related Documentation From Texas Instruments

- TI WiLink8 Single-Band Combo Module – Wi-Fi, *Bluetooth*, and BLE ([SWRS152](#))
- WiLink 8 Wiki: <http://www.ti.com/wilink8wiki>

If You Need Assistance

The primary sources of WL18MODGB information are the device-specific data sheets and user's guides. For the most up-to-date version of the user's guide and data sheets, go to <http://www.ti.com/product/wl1835mod>.

Warning

The WL1835MODCOM8B board is tested to comply with ETSI/R&TTE over temperatures from –20 to +70°C.

This board should not be modified to operate in other frequency bands other than what they are designed for.

FCC Licensing Requirements for the Wi-Fi and Bluetooth Radio Module of the EVM:

For evaluation only; not FCC approved for resale. This kit is designed to allow:

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Per TI's Regulatory Compliance Information located in the WL1835ModCOMB8B User's Guide's "Evaluation Board/Kit/Module (EVM) Additional Terms," this EVM cannot be used for production purposes and is explicitly restricted from end-product introduction.

Use of this EVM requires the developer to provide a minimum distance of at least 20 cm from the antenna to all persons in order to minimize risk of potential radiation hazards.

CAUTION

Do not leave the EVM powered when unattended.

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1 Introduction

The WL1835MODCOM8B device is a Wi-Fi® MIMO, *Bluetooth*, and *Bluetooth* Low Energy (BLE) module board with the TI WL18MODGB module. WL18MODGB is built-in TI WL1835 IEEE 802.11 b/g/n and *Bluetooth* 4.0 solutions to provide the best Wi-Fi and *Bluetooth* coexistence interoperability and power-saving technologies from TI.



Figure 1. WL1835MODCOM8B Top View

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1.1 Features

- WLAN, *Bluetooth*, BLE on a module board
- 100-pin board card
- Dimension 76.0 mm(L) x 31.0 mm(W)
- WLAN 2.4 GHz SISO (20- and 40-MHz channels), 2.4-GHz MIMO (20-MHz channels)
- Support for BLE dual mode
- Seamless integration with TI Sitara and other application processors
- Design for TI AM335X general-purpose EVM
- WLAN and *Bluetooth*, BLE cores are software and hardware compatible with prior WL127x, WL128x and CC256x offerings, for smooth migration to device.
- Shared HCI transport for *Bluetooth* and BLE over UART and SDIO for WLAN.
- Wi-Fi / *Bluetooth* single antenna co-existence
- Built-in chip antenna
- Optional U.FL RF connector for external 2.4-GHz band antenna
- Direct connection to battery using external switching mode power supply supporting 4.8-V to 2.9-V operation
- VIO in the 1.8-V domain

1.2 Applications

- Internet of Things Multimedia
- Home Electronics
- Home Appliances and White Goods
- Industrial and Home Automation
- Smart Gateway and Metering
- Video Conferencing
- Video Camera and Security

1.3 TI Module Key Benefits

- Reduces Design Overhead: Single WiLink8™ Module Scales Across Wi-Fi and *Bluetooth*.
- WLAN High Throughput: 80 Mbps (TCP), 100 Mbps (UDP)
- *Bluetooth* 4.0 + BLE (Smart Ready)
- Wi-Fi-*Bluetooth* Single Antenna Coexistence
- Low Power (30–50% Less than Previous Generation)
- Available as Easy-to-Use FCC, ETSI, and Telec Certified Module
- Lower Manufacturing Costs, Saving Board Space and Minimizing RF Expertise
- AM335x Linux® and Android™ Reference Platform Accelerates Customer Development and Time to Market

Board Pin Assignment

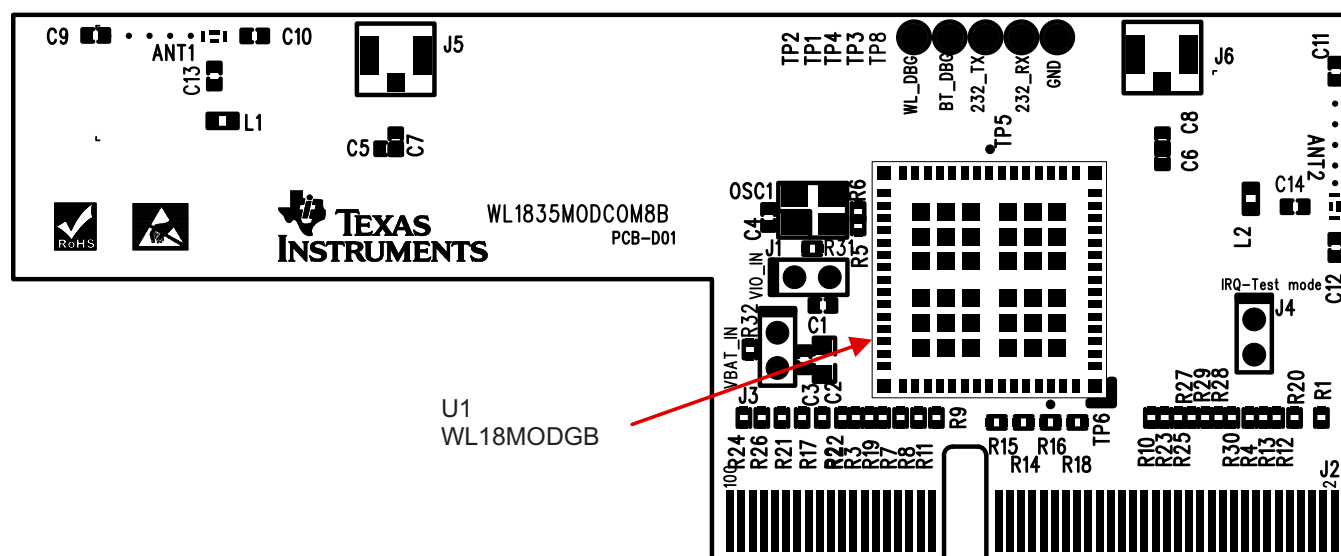


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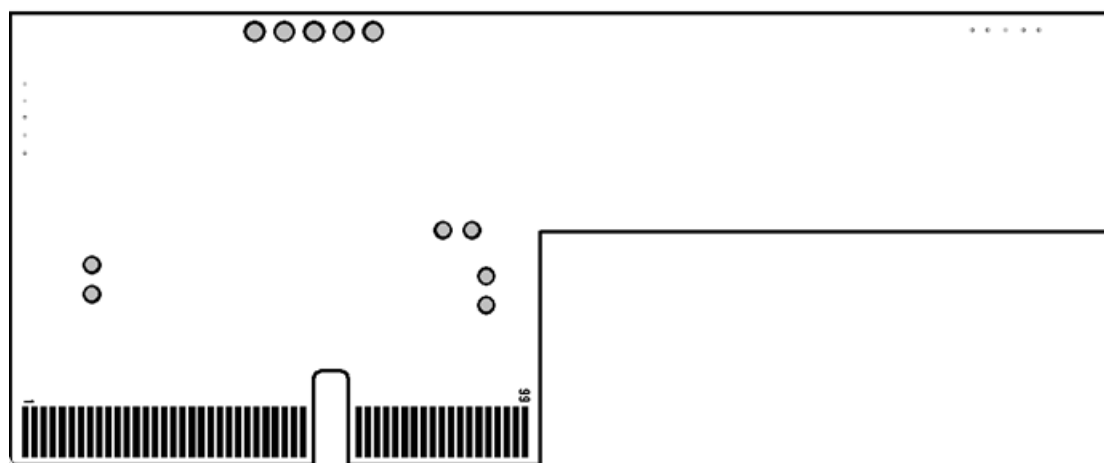


Figure 3. Board Bottom View

1.4 Pin Descriptions

No.	Name	Type	Description
1	SLOW_CLK	I	Slow clock input
2	GND	G	Ground
3	GND	G	Ground
4	WL_EN	I	WLAN Enable
5	VBAT	P	Power supply input
6	GND	G	Ground
7	VBAT	P	Power supply input
8	VIO	P	Power supply input for I/O pin
9	GND	G	Ground
10	N.C.		No connection
11	WL_RS232_TX	O	WLAN tool RS232 output
12	N.C.		No connection
13	WL_RS232_RX	I	WLAN tool RS232 input
14	N.C.		No connection
15	WL_UART_DBG	O	WLAN Logger output
16	N.C.		No connection
17	N.C.		No connection
18	GND	G	Ground
19	GND	G	Ground
20	SDIO_CLK	I	WLAN SDIO clock
21	N.C.		No connection
22	GND	G	Ground
23	N.C.		No connection
24	SDIO_CMD	I/O	WLAN SDIO command
25	N.C.		No connection
26	SDIO_D0	I/O	WLAN SDIO data bit 0
27	N.C.		No connection
28	SDIO_D1	I/O	WLAN SDIO data bit 1
29	N.C.		No connection
30	SDIO_D2	I/O	WLAN SDIO data bit 2
31	N.C.		No connection
32	SDIO_D3	I/O	WLAN SDIO data bit 3
33	N.C.		No connection
34	WLAN_IRQ	O	WLAN SDIO interrupt out
35	N.C.		No connection
36	N.C.		No connection
37	GND	G	Ground
38	N.C.		No connection
39	N.C.		No connection
40	N.C.		No connection
41	N.C.		No connection
42	GND	G	Ground
43	N.C.		No connection
44	N.C.		No connection
45	N.C.		No connection
46	N.C.		No connection
47	GND	G	Ground

No.	Name	Type	Description
48	N.C.		No connection
49	N.C.		No connection
50	N.C.		No connection
51	N.C.		No connection
52	PCM_IF_CLK	I/O	<i>Bluetooth</i> PCM clock input or output
53	N.C.		No connection
54	PCM_IF_FSYNC	I/O	<i>Bluetooth</i> PCM frame sync input or output
55	N.C.		No connection
56	PCM_IF_DIN	I	<i>Bluetooth</i> PCM data input
57	N.C.		No connection
58	PCM_IF_DOUT	O	<i>Bluetooth</i> PCM data output
59	N.C.		No connection
60	GND	G	Ground
61	N.C.		No connection
62	N.C.		No connection
63	GND	G	Ground
64	GND	G	Ground
65	N.C.		No connection
66	BT_UART_IF_TX	O	<i>Bluetooth</i> HCI UART transmit output
67	N.C.		No connection
68	BT_UART_IF_RX	I	<i>Bluetooth</i> HCI UART receive input
69	N.C.		No connection
70	BT_UART_IF_CTS	I	<i>Bluetooth</i> HCI UART Clear to Send input
71	N.C.		No connection
72	BT_UART_IF_RTS	O	<i>Bluetooth</i> HCI UART Request to Send output
73	N.C.		No connection
74	BT_FUNC1	O	BT_HOST_WAKE_UP Signal to wake up the host from <i>Bluetooth</i>
75	N.C.		No connection
76	BT_UART_DEBUG	O	<i>Bluetooth</i> Logger UART output
77	GND	G	Ground
78	GPIO9	I/O	General-purpose I/O
79	N.C.		No connection
80	N.C.		No connection
81	N.C.		No connection
82	N.C.		No connection
83	GND	G	Ground
84	N.C.		No connection
85	N.C.		No connection
86	N.C.		No connection
87	GND	G	Ground
88	N.C.		No connection
89	BT_EN	I	<i>Bluetooth</i> Enable
90	N.C.		No connection
91	N.C.		No connection
92	GND	G	Ground
93	BT_FUNC2	I	BT_WAKE_UP <i>Bluetooth</i> wakeup from host
94	N.C.		No connection
95	GND	G	Ground
96	GPIO11	I/O	General-purpose I/O

No.	Name	Type	Description
97	GND	G	Ground
98	GPIO12	I/O	General-purpose I/O
99	N.C.		General-purpose I/O
100	GPIO10	I/O	General-purpose I/O

Electrical Characteristics

Refer to the detailed data in the WL18MODGB data sheet for electrical characteristics.

Antenna Characteristics

1.5 VSWR

Figure 4 shows the antenna VSWR.

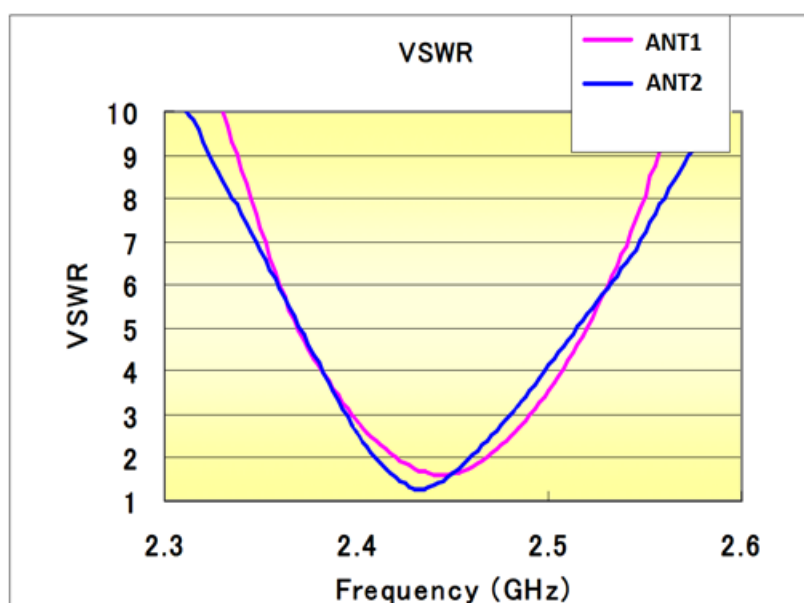


Figure 4. Antenna VSWR

1.6 Efficiency

Figure 5 shows the antenna efficiency.

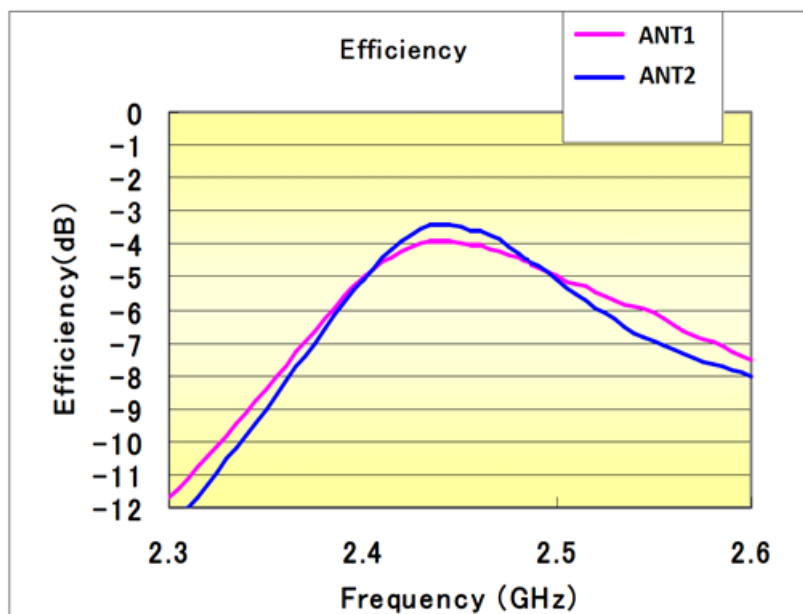


Figure 5. Antenna Efficiency

Antenna Characteristics

1.7 Radio Pattern

Figure 6 shows the radio pattern of the WL1835MODCOM8B device.

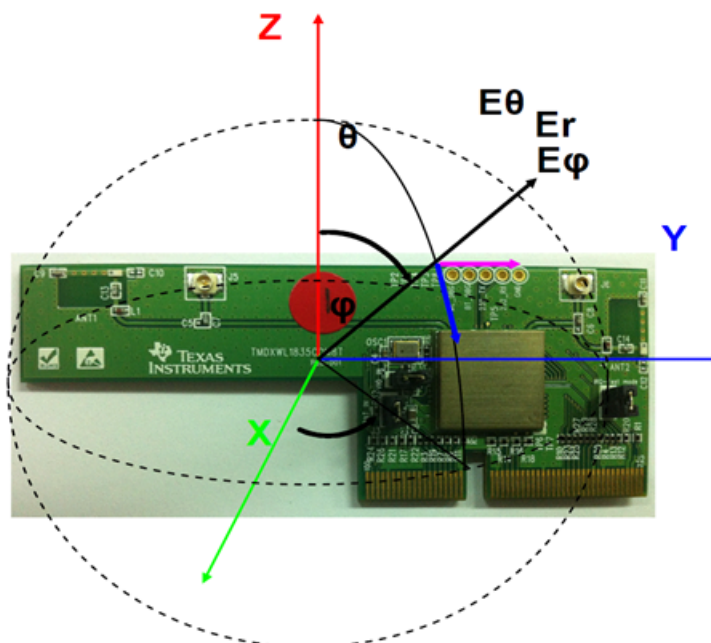


Figure 6.

1.7.1 ANT1

Figure 7 shows the ANT1 polarization of the WL1835MODCOM8B device.

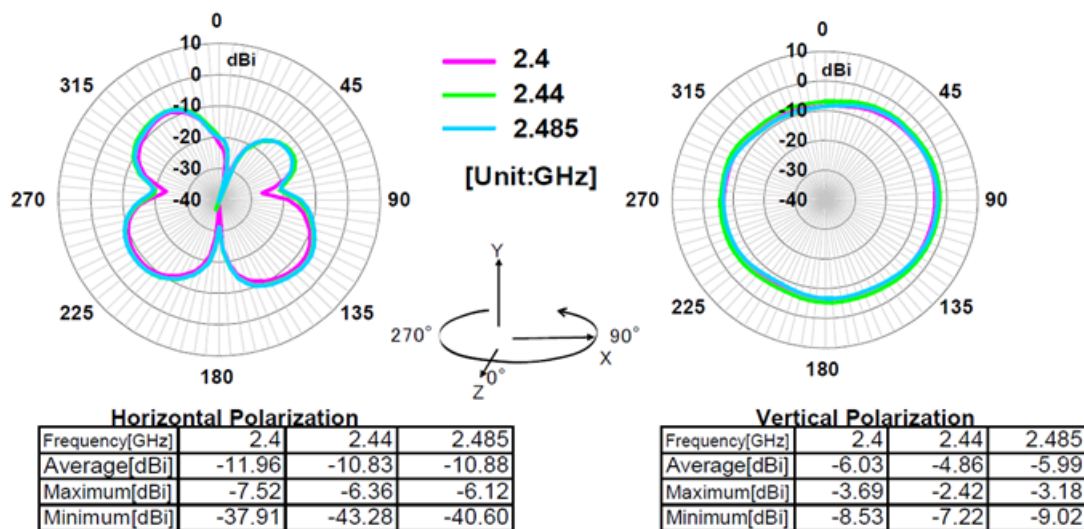


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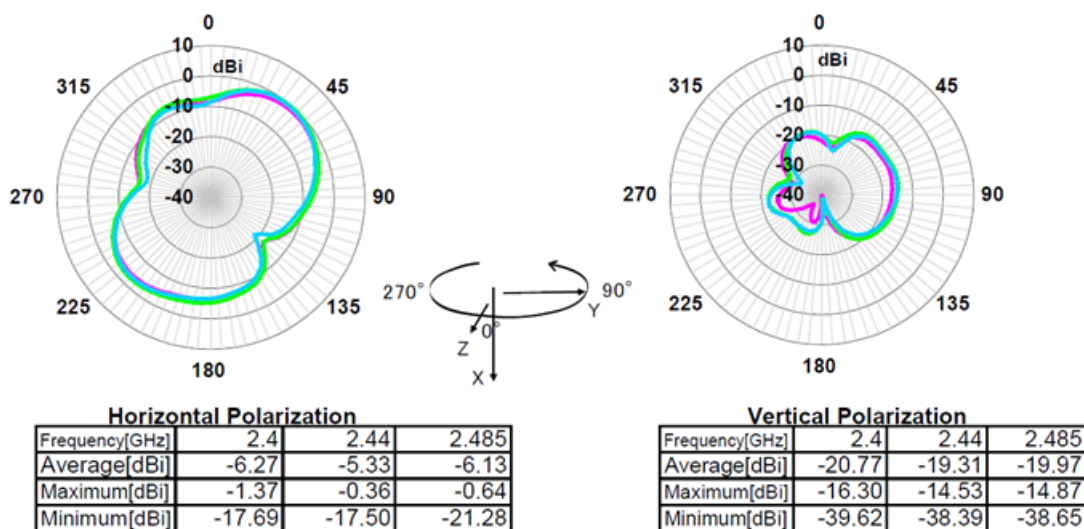


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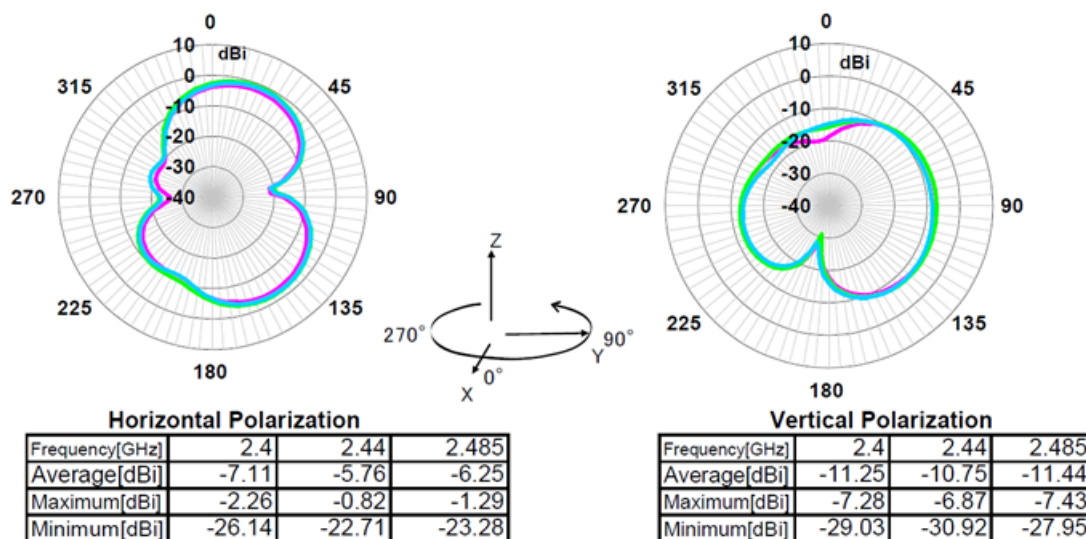


Figure 9.

1.7.2 ANT2

Figure 10 shows the ANT2 polarization of the WL1835MODCOM8B device.

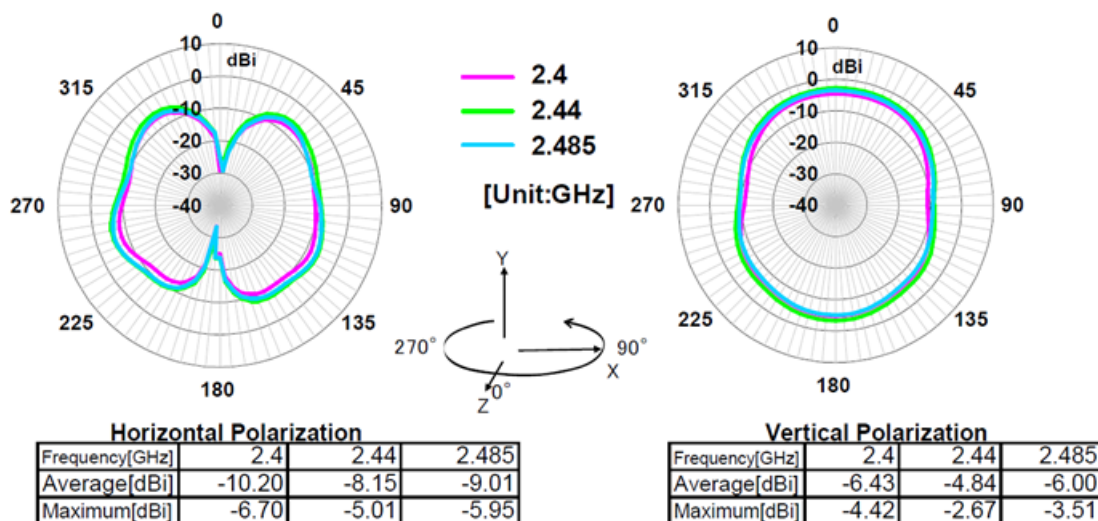


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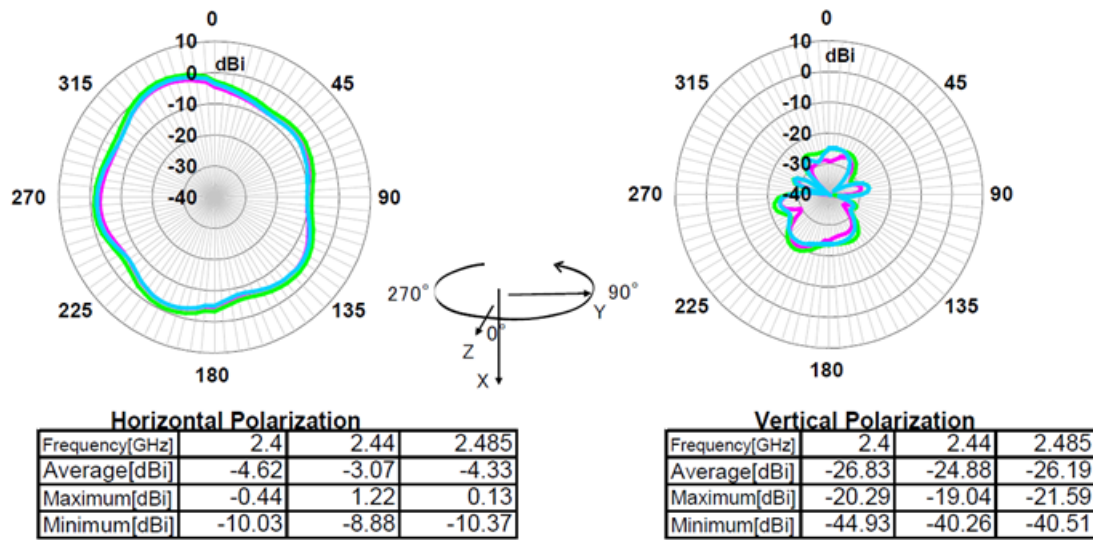


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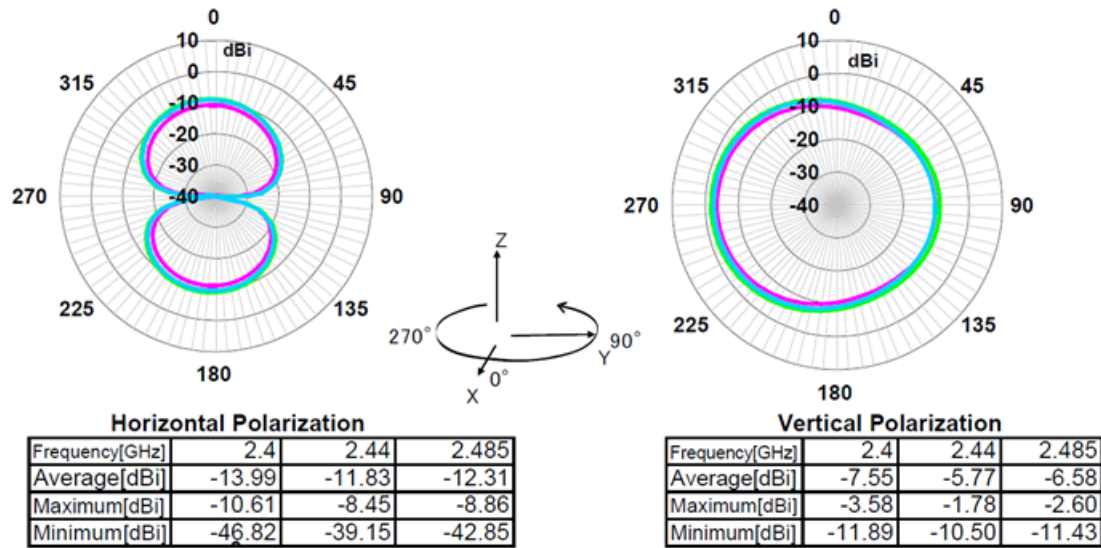
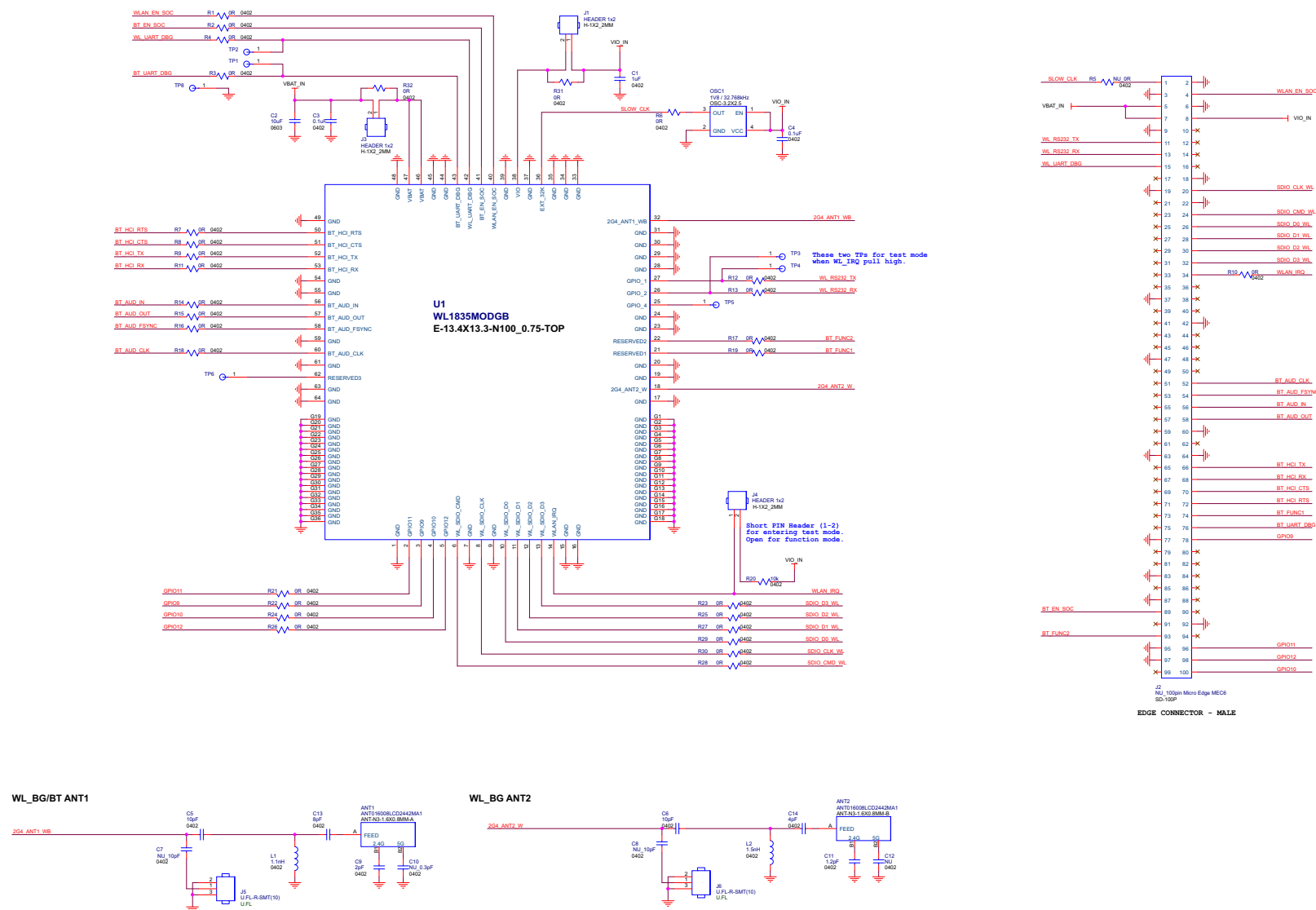


Figure 12.

Circuit Design

1.8 Schematic



1.9 Bill of Materials (BOM)

Table 1 lists the bill of materials.

Table 1. BOM

1	TI WL1835 Wi-Fi/ <i>Bluetooth</i> Module	WL18MODGB	U1
2	XOSC 3225 / 32.768 kHz / 1.8 V / ± 50 ppm	7XZ3200005	OSC1
3	ANT / Chip / 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz / Peak Gain >5 dBi	ANT016008LCD2442MA1	ANT1, ANT2
4	CON Male 1x2 / Pitch	P301-SGP-040/028-02	J1, J3, J4
5	DC JUMPER / PITCH 2.0 mm	CMJ-20BB	J1, J3
6	Mini RF Header Receptacle	U.FL-R-SMT-1(10)	J5, J6
7	IND 0402 / 1.1 nH / ± 0.05 nH / SMD	LQP15MN1N1W02	L1
8	IND 0402 / 1.5 nH / ± 0.05 nH / SMD	LQP15MN1N5W02	L2
9	CAP 0402 / 1.2 pF / 50 V / C0G / ± 0.1 pF	GJM1555C1H1R2BB01	C11
10	CAP 0402 / 2.2 pF / 50 V / C0G / ± 0.1 pF	GJM1555C1H2R2BB01	C9
11	CAP 0402 / 4 pF / 50 V / C0G / ± 0.1 pF	GJM1555C1H4R0BB01	C14
12	CAP 0402 / 8 pF / 50 V / C0G / ± 0.1 pF	GJM1555C1H8R0BB01	C13
13	CAP 0402 / 10 pF / 50 V / NPO / $\pm 5\%$	0402N100J500LT	C7, C8
14	CAP 0402 / 0.1 μ F / 6.3 V / X7R / $\pm 10\%$	0402B104K100CT	C3, C4
15	CAP 0402 / 1 μ F / 6.3 V / X5R / $\pm 10\%$ / HF	GRM155R60J105KE19D	C1
16	CAP 0603 / 10 μ F / 6.3 V / X5R / $\pm 20\%$	C1608X5R0J106M	C2
17	RES 0402 / 0R / $\pm 5\%$	WR04X000 PTL	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, R16, R17, R18, R19, R21, R22, R23, R24, R25, R26, R27, R28, R29, R30, R31, R32
18	RES 0402 / 10K / $\pm 5\%$	WR04X103 JTL	R20

Layout Guidelines

1.10 Board Layout

Figure 14 shows the WL1835MODCOM8B 4-layer board. Table 2, Figure 15, Figure 16, Figure 17, Figure 18, and Figure 19 show instances of good layout practices.

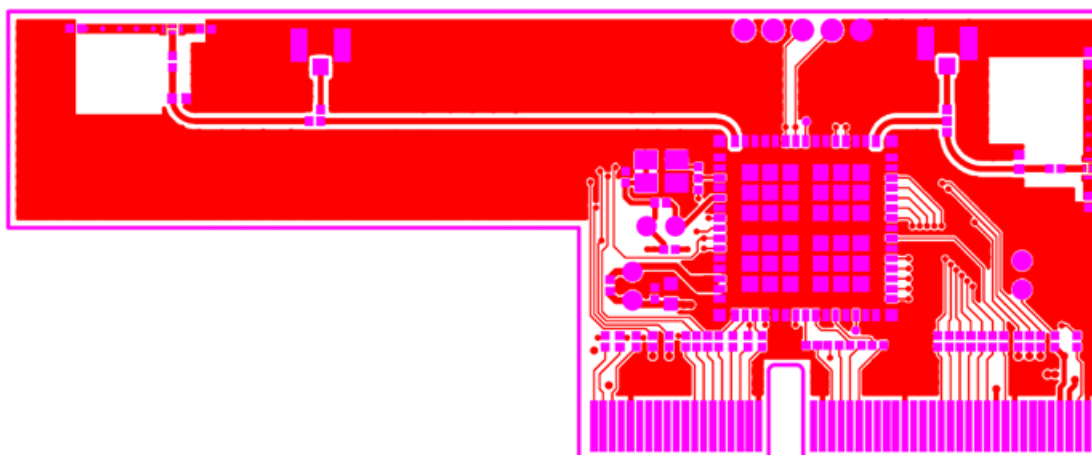


Figure 14. Layer 1

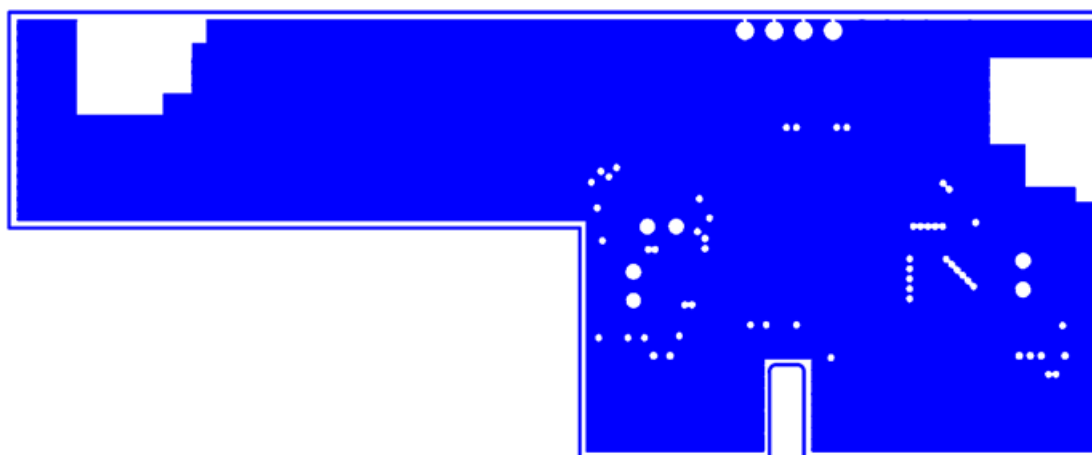


Figure 15. Layer 2

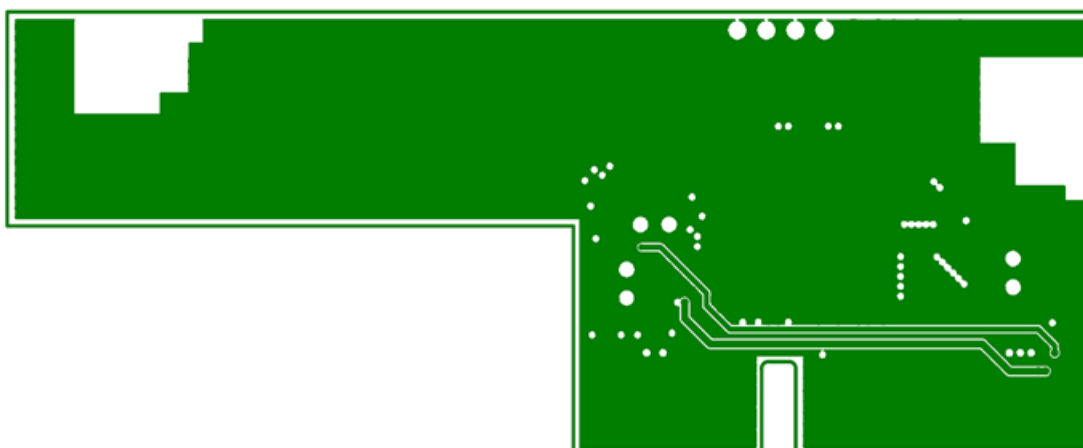


Figure 16. Layer 3

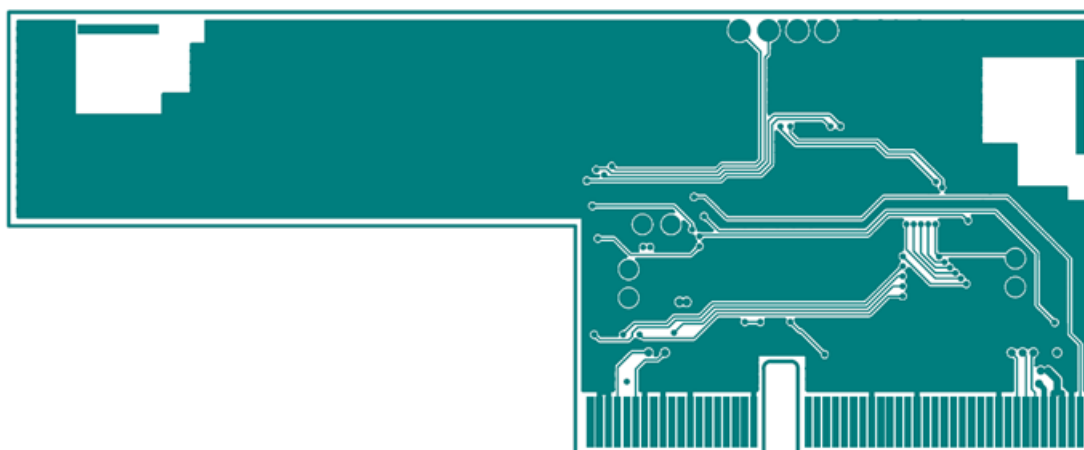


Figure 17. Layer 4

Table 2. Module Layout Guidelines

Reference	Guideline Description
1	The proximity of ground vias must be close to the pad.
2	Signal traces must not be run underneath the module on the layer where the module is mounted.
3	Have a complete ground pour in layer 2 for thermal dissipation.
4	Have a solid ground plane and ground vias under the module for stable system and thermal dissipation.
5	Increase the ground pour in the first layer and have all of the traces from the first layer on the inner layers, if possible.
6	Signal traces can be run on a third layer under the solid ground layer, which is below the module mounting layer.

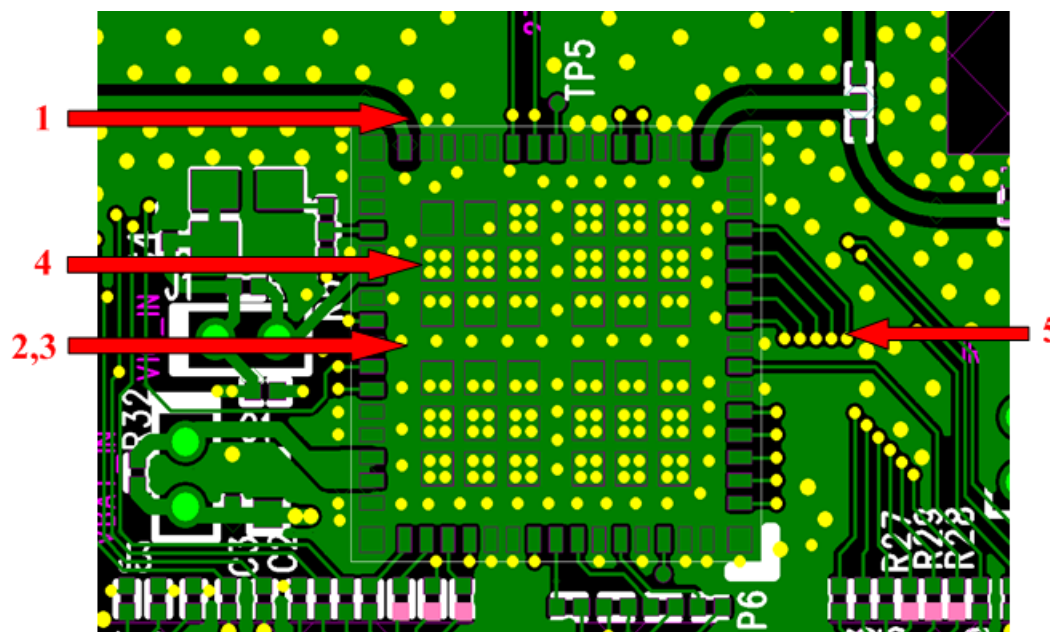


Figure 18. Module Layout Guidelines (Top Layer)

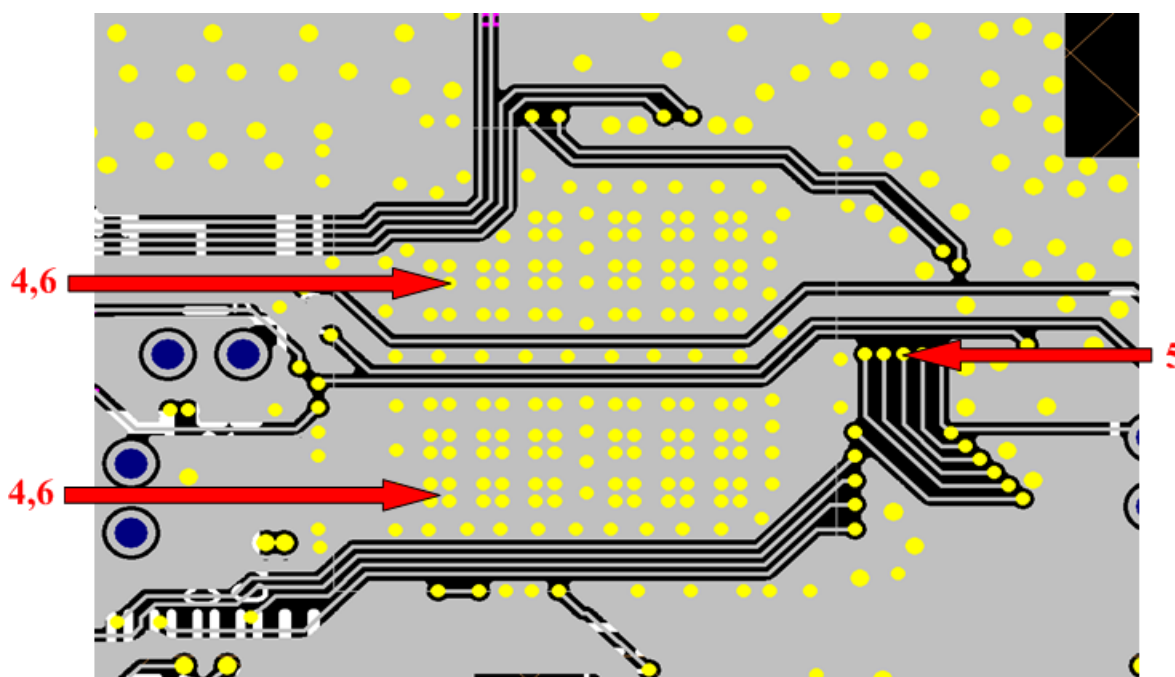


Figure 19. Module Layout Guidelines (Bottom Layer)

Figure 20 shows the trace design for the PCB. A 50- Ω impedance match on the trace to the antenna should be used. Also, 50- Ω traces are recommended for the PCB layout.

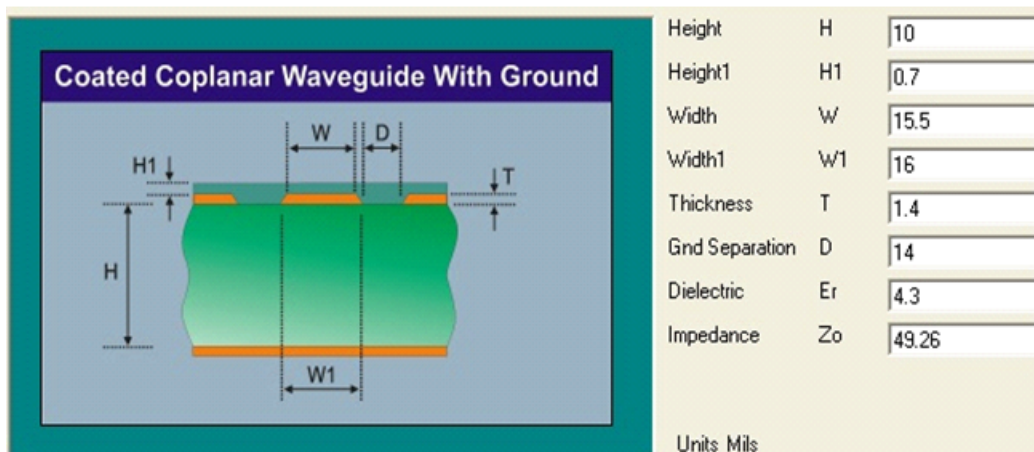


Figure 20. Trace Design for the PCB Layout

Figure 21 shows layer 1 with the trace to the antenna over ground layer 2.

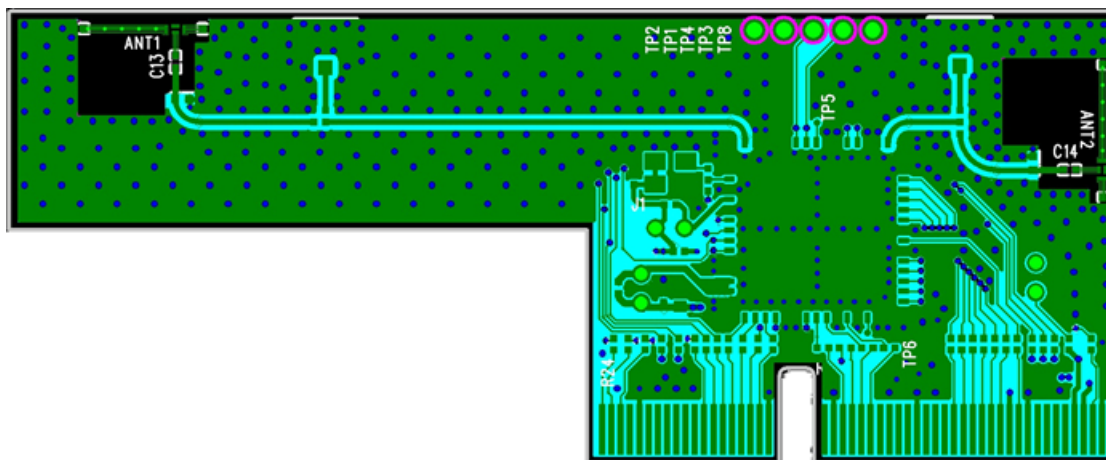


Figure 21. Layer 1 Combined With Layer 2

Table 3, Figure 22, and Figure 23 describe instances of good layout practices for the antenna and RF trace routing.

Table 3. Antenna and RF Trace Routing Layout Guidelines

Reference	Guideline Description
1	The RF trace antenna feed must be as short as possible beyond the ground reference. At this point, the trace starts to radiate.
2	The RF trace bends must be gradual with an approximate maximum bend of 45 degrees with trace mitered. RF traces must not have sharp corners.
3	RF traces must have via stitching on the ground plane beside the RF trace on both sides
4	RF traces must have constant impedance (microstrip transmission line).
5	For best results, the RF trace ground layer must be the ground layer immediately below the RF trace. The ground layer must be solid.
6	There must be no traces or ground under the antenna section.
7	RF traces must be as short as possible. The antenna, RF traces, and modules must be on the edge of the PCB product. The proximity of the antenna to the enclosure and the enclosure material must also be considered.

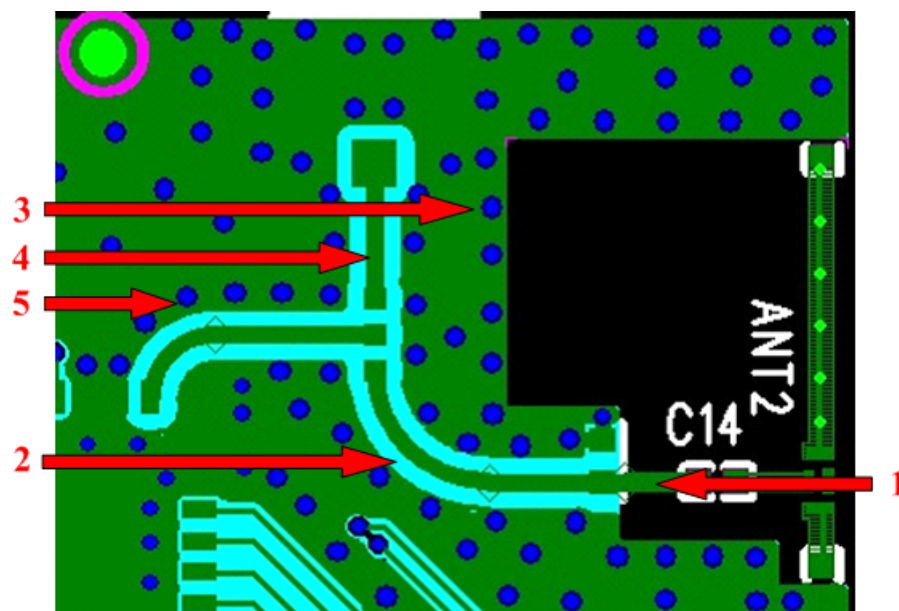


Figure 22. Top Layer – Antenna and RF Trace Routing Layout Guidelines

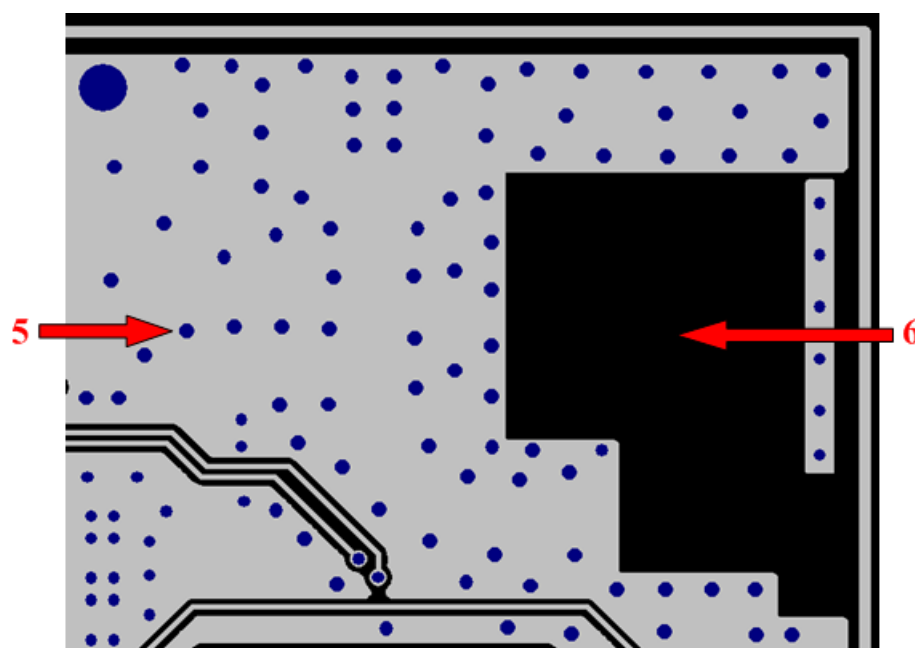


Figure 23. Bottom Layer – Antenna and RF Trace Routing Layout Guidelines

Figure 24 describes the MIMO antenna spacing. The distance of ANT1 and ANT2 must be greater than half of wavelength (62.5 mm at 2.4 GHz).

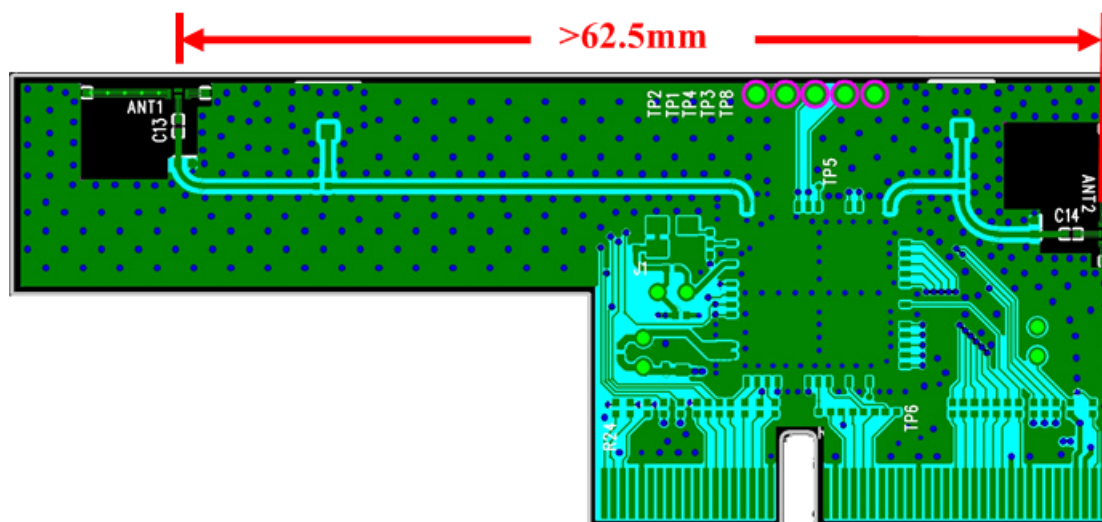


Figure 24. MIMO Antenna Spacing

The supply routing guidelines are as follows:

- For power supply routing, the power trace for V_{BAT} must be at least 40-mm wide.
- The 1.8-V trace must be at least 18-mm wide.
- Make V_{BAT} traces as wide as possible to ensure reduced inductance and trace resistance.
- If possible, shield V_{BAT} traces with ground above, below, and beside the traces.

The digital signals routing guidelines are as follows:

- SDIO signals traces (CLK, CMD, D0, D1, D2, and D3) should be routed in parallel to each other and as short as possible (less than 12 cm). In addition, every trace length must be the same as the others. There should be enough space between traces – greater than 1.5 times the trace width or ground – to ensure signal quality, especially for the SDIO_CLK trace. Remember to keep them away from the other digital or analog signal traces. TI recommends adding ground shielding around these buses.
- SDIO Clock, PCM clock... These digital clock signals are a source of noise. Keep the traces of these signals as short as possible. Whenever possible, maintain a clearance around them.

This user's guide revision history highlights the technical changes made to the SWRU359 device-specific user's guide.

Revision History

Revision	Date	Description / Changes
SWRS359C	January 2014	Changed all references of the module from WL1835MODGB to WL18MODGB.
		In Warning : Changed tested-temperature range from 0 – +70, to –20 – +70.

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For EVMs annotated as FCC – FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Part 15 Compliant

Caution

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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FCC Interference Statement for Class A EVM devices

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

For EVMs annotated as IC – INDUSTRY CANADA Compliant

This Class A or B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Concerning EVMs including radio transmitters

This device complies with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concerning EVMs including detachable antennas

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication.

This radio transmitter has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the antenna types listed in the user guide with the maximum permissible gain and required antenna impedance for each antenna type indicated. Antenna types not included in this list, having a gain greater than the maximum gain indicated for that type, are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe A ou B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

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Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

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