



nRF52811

Comprehensive Bluetooth 5.1 Direction Finding SoC with Thread and Zigbee support

Pinpoint anything with the nRF52811 SoC

The nRF52811 SoC is the 4th addition to the nRF52 Series, and adds capabilities for *Bluetooth*[®] 5.1 Direction Finding. Direction Finding enables positioning solutions to not only rely on received signal strength indicator (RSSI), but also the actual direction of a signal. This improves accuracy significantly and opens new possibilities for applications in this segment. There are two types of methods for determining direction, angle of arrival (AoA), where the direction of the received signal is calculated, and angle of departure (AoD), where the direction of the transmitted signal is calculated. The nRF52811 SoC is the perfect choice as a transmitter in both the AoA or AoD scenarios, with its low power character and connectivity features.



Real time locating system

Above you see an example of a real time location system (RTLS) where the principle of AoA is used to determine the location of an tag. The tag is just a simple beacon, broadcasting. Each locator determines which direction the signal is coming from and together with the location engine they are able to calculate the location of the tag.

KEY FEATURES

- 64 MHz Arm[®] Cortex-M4
- 192 KB Flash + 24 KB RAM
- Bluetooth 5.1 radio
 - Direction Finding
 - Long Range
 - +4 dBm TX power
 - -96 dBm sensitivity
 - 4.6 mA in TX (0 dBm)
 - 4.6 mA in RX
 - Integrated balun with 50 Ω single-ended output
- IEEE 802.15.4 radio support
 - Thread
 - Zigbee
- 1.7-3.6 V supply voltage range
- Integrated DC-DC regulator
- 0.3 µA in System OFF
- 1.1 uA in System ON with RTC and full RAM retention
- Full range of digital interfaces with EasyDMA
- 12-bit 200 ksps ADC
- Small size

APPLICATIONS

- Beacons
- Network processor
- Proximity solutions
- Real time locating systems
- Asset tracking
- Smart home



Enhancing beacon applications

The nRF52811 SoC gives the opportunity to enhance beacon applications to leverage the Long Range feature introduced in Bluetooth 5, in addition to Direction Finding introduced in Bluetooth 5.1. It achieves longer range without adding more costly components, providing an ideal option for cost-sensitive beacon applications.

The ultimate network processor

The nRF52811 offers comprehensive connectivity with a long list of capabilities and features. It is capable of all the latest features of Bluetooth, including Long Range and Direction Finding, but also 802.15.4, Thread and Zigbee. This comprehensive connectivity offer makes it the ultimate network processor, and paired with a companion MCU, it offers great value in for example gateway and router applications for smart home.

Get started today

The nRF52811 is supported by the nRF5 SDK, providing all the necessary examples, libraries and drivers to get started with development. SoftDevice S112, a Bluetooth 5 protocol stack, is already qualified for it, providing high throughput with 2 Mbps and improved coexistence with channel selection algorithm #2. In addition, a Thread connectivity solution is available in the nRF5 SDK for Thread and Zigbee.

Development kit for the nRF52811

The nRF52840 DK is the recommend development kit, it emulates the nRF52811, and can be used as a starting point for development before moving over to a custom board. Please note that this development kit does not support Bluetooth Direction Finding.

RELATED PRODUCTS

| nRF52840 | SoC for Bluetooth 5/Bluetooth mesh/ 802.15.4/Thread/Zigbee/ANT/2.4 GHz |
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| nRF52832 | SoC for Bluetooth 5/Bluetooth mesh/ ANT/2.4 GHz |
| nRF52810 | SoC for Bluetooth 5/ANT/2.4 GHz |
| nRF52840 DK | Development kit for nRF52811 and nRF52840 SoCs |
| nRF5 SDK | Main software development kit for Bluetooth 5, ANT and 802.15.4 |
| nRF5 SDK for Thread and Zigbee | Software development kit for Thread and Zigbee |
| Power Profiler Kit | Current measurement tool for embedded development |

SPECIFICATIONS

| Protocol support | Bluetooth 5.1/802.15.4/ANT/2.4 GHz proprietary |
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| Microprocessor | 64 MHz 32-bit Arm Cortex-M4 |
| Memory | 192 KB Flash + 24 KB RAM |
| On-air data rate | Bluetooth 5.1: 2 Mbps/1 Mbps/500 kbps/125 kbps 802.15.4: 250 kbps 2.4 GHz proprietary: 2 Mbps/ 1 Mbps |
| TX power | Programmable from +4 to -20 dBm in 4 dB steps |
| Sensitivity | Bluetooth 5.1: -104 dBm at 125 kbps -100 dBM at 500 kbps -96 dBm at 1 Mbps -94 dBm at 2 Mbps 802.15.4: -101 dBm at 250 kbps ANT: -94 dBm at 1 Mbps 2.4 GHz: -94 dBm at 1 Mbps -91 dBm at 2 Mbps |
| Radio current consumption DC/DC at 3 V | 7.0 mA at +4 dBm TX power, 4.6 mA at 0 dBm TX power, 4.6 mA in RX at 1 Mbps 5.2 mA in RX at 2 Mbps |
| Oscillators | 64 MHz from 32 MHz external crystal or internal 32 kHz from crystal, RC or synthesized |
| System current consumption DC/DC at 3 V | 0.3 μA in System OFF, no RAM retention 0.5 μA in System OFF, full RAM retention 0.6 μA in System ON, no RAM retention 0.8 μA in System ON, full RAM retention 1.1 μA in System ON, full RAM retention and RTC |
| Hardware security | 128-bit AES CCM, ECB, AAR |
| Digital interfaces | SPI master/slave TWI master/slave UART PWM QDEC PDM |
| Analog interfaces | 12-bit, 200 ksps ADC, comparator |
| Peripherals | 3 × 32 bit timer/counter 2 × 24 real-time counter 20 × PPI channels 4 × GPIOTE Temperature sensor Watchdog timer RNG BPROT - flash protection |
| Voltage supply | 1.7 to 3.6 V LDO or DC/DC |
| Package options | 6×6 QFN48 with 32 GPIO 5 \times 5 QFN32 with 17 GPIO 2.48 \times 2.46 WLCSP33 with 15 GPIO |





5×5 mm

6×6 mm

2.48×2.46 mm

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