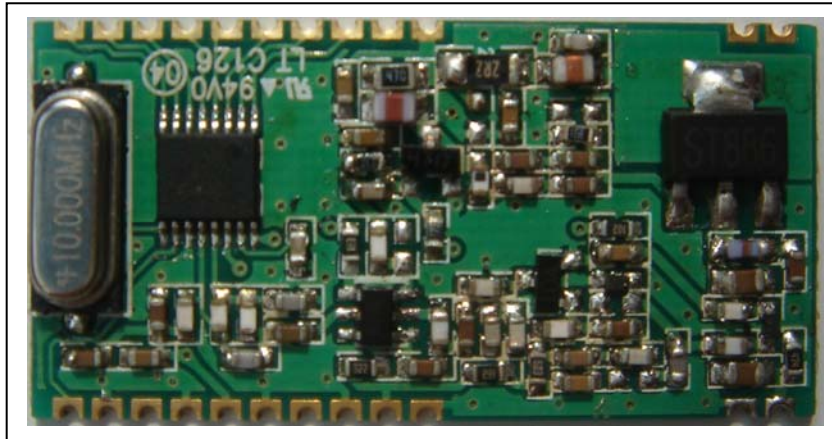


## UNIVERSAL ISM BAND FSK TRANSCEIVER MODULE

### WITH 500mW OUTPUT POWER

### RFM12BP

(the purpose of this spec covers mainly for the physical characteristic of the module, for register configure and its related command info please refer to [RF12B datasheet](#))



## General Introduction

RFM12BP is a low costing ISM band transceiver module implemented with 500mW output power. It works signal ranges from 433/868/915MHZ bands, The SPI interface is used to communicate with microcontroller for parameter setting.

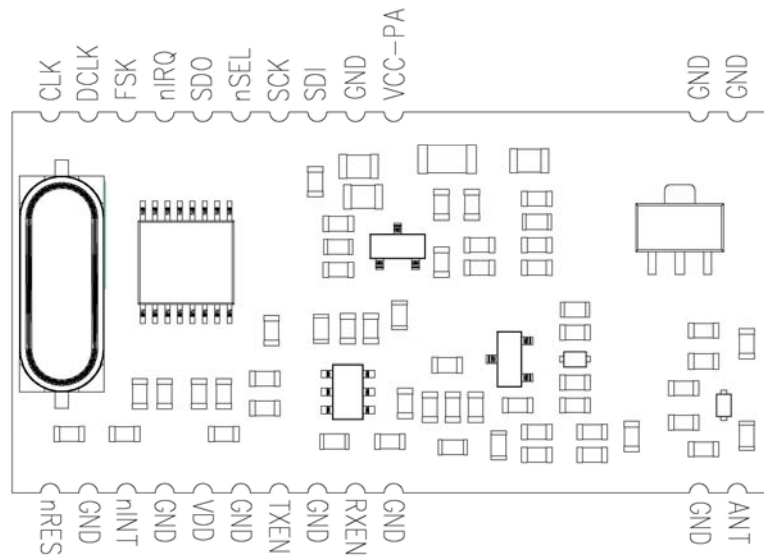
## Features:

- High output power with 500mW
- High input sensitivity with -117dBm
- Low costing, high performance and price ratio
- PLL and zero IF technology
- Fast PLL lock time
- High resolution PLL with 2.5 KHz step
- High data rate (up to 115.2 kbps with internal demodulator, with external RC filter highest data rate is 256 kbps)
- 50 OHM antenna input/output
- Programmable TX power
- Programmable TX frequency deviation (from 15 to 240 KHz)
- Programmable receiver bandwidth (from 67 to 400 kHz)
- Analog and digital signal strength indicator (ARSSI/DRSSI)
- Automatic frequency control (AFC)
- Data quality detection (DQD)
- Internal data filtering and clock recovery
- RX synchron pattern recognition
- SPI compatible serial control interface
- Clock and reset signal output for external MCU use
- 16 bit RX Data FIFO
- Two 8 bit TX data registers
- Wakeup timer
- 2.2V – 3.8V power supply for FSK IC, 12V power supply for power amplifier
- Standby current less than 0.3uA
- Supports very short packets (down to 3 bytes)

## Typical Application:

- Remote control
- Remote sensor
- Wireless data collection
- Home security system
- Toys

## Pin Definition:

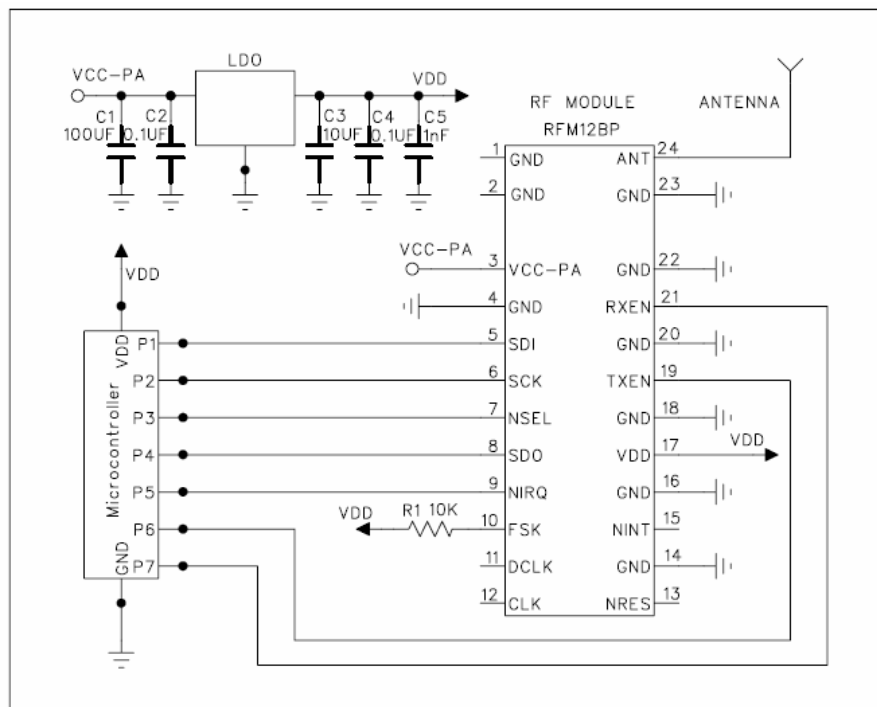


| PIN number | definition      | Type      | Function   |
|------------|-----------------|-----------|--|
| 1          | GND             | S         | ground   |
| 2          | GND             | S         | ground   |
| 3          | VCC-PA          | S         | Positive power supply for power amplifier (12V)  |
| 4          | GND             | S         | ground   |
| 5          | SDI             | DI        | SPI data input   |
| 6          | SCK             | DI        | SPI clock input  |
| 7          | nSEL            | DI        | Chip select (active low)   |
| 8          | SDO             | DO        | Serial data output with bus hold   |
| 9          | nIRQ            | DO        | Interrupts request output ( active low )   |
| 10         | FSK/DATA/n FFS  | DI/DO/DI  | Transmit FSK data input/ Received data output (FIFO not used)/ FIFO select   |
| 11         | DCLK/CFIL/F FIT | DO/AIO/DO | Clock output (no FIFO )/ external filter capacitor(analog mode)/ FIFO interrupts(active high)when FIFO level set to 1, FIFO empty interruption can be achieved |
| 12         | CLK             | DO        | Clock output for external microcontroller  |
| 13         | nRES            | DIO       | Reset output ( active low )  |
| 14         | GND             | S         | ground   |
| 15         | nINT/VDI        | DI/ DO    | Interrupt input (active low)/Valid data indicator  |
| 16         | GND             | S         | ground   |
| 17         | VDD             | S         | Positive power supply for FSK IC(2.2V-3.8V)  |
| 18         | GND             | S         | ground   |

|    |      |     |   |
|----|------|-----|---|
| 19 | TXEN | AI  | TX enable (active high ), Drive current $\geq 3\text{mA}$ . TX disable(active low). |
| 20 | GND  | S   | ground  |
| 21 | RXEN | AI  | RX enable (active high), Drive current $\geq 3\text{mA}$ . RX disable(active low).  |
| 22 | GND  | S   | ground  |
| 23 | GND  | S   | ground  |
| 24 | ANT  | AIO | RF signal output/input (50 OHM)   |

## Typical Application

### Typical application with FIFO usage



## Electrical Parameter:

### Maximum (not at working mode)

| symbol          | parameter                                     | minimum | maximum | Unit |
|-----------------|---|---------|---------|------|
| VDD             | Positive power supply for FSK IC              | -0.5    | 4.0     | V    |
| VCC-PA          | Positive power supply for power amplifier     | -0.5    | 13      | V    |
| V <sub>in</sub> | All pin input level except VDD,VCC-PA,GND,ANT | -0.5    | VDD+0.5 | V    |
| I <sub>in</sub> | Input current except VDD,VCC-PA,GND,ANT       | -25     | 25      | mA   |
| ESD             | Human body model                              |         | 1000    | V    |
| T <sub>st</sub> | Storage temperature                           | -55     | 125     | °C   |
| T <sub>ld</sub> | Soldering temperature(10s)                    |         | 260     | °C   |

### Recommended working range

| symbol          | parameter                                 | min | max | Unit |
|-----------------|---|-----|-----|------|
| VDD             | Positive power supply                     | 2.2 | 3.8 | V    |
| VCC-PA          | Positive power supply for power amplifier | 11  | 13  | V    |
| T <sub>op</sub> | Working temperature                       | -40 | 85  | °C   |

### DC characteristic

| symbol                      | parameter   | Remark   | min                  | typ        | max                 | Unit |
|-----------------------------|---|--|----------------------|------------|---------------------|------|
| I <sub>dd_TX_PMA</sub><br>x | Supply current<br>(TX mode, P <sub>out</sub> = 500mW) | 433MHz band<br>868/915MHz band                         |                      | 200<br>230 |                     | mA   |
| I <sub>dd_RX</sub>          | Supply current<br>(RX mode)                           | 433MHz band<br>868/915MHz band                         |                      | 20<br>23   |                     | mA   |
| I <sub>x</sub>              | Idle current  | Crystal oscillator on                                  |                      | 0.62       | 1.2                 | mA   |
| I <sub>pd</sub>             | Sleep mode current                                    | All blocks off   |                      | 0.3        |                     | uA   |
| I <sub>lb</sub>             | Low battery detection                                 |  |                      | 0.5        |                     | uA   |
| V <sub>lb</sub>             | Low battery detect<br>threshold                       | 0.1V per step  | 2.2                  |            | 3.8                 | V    |
| V <sub>lba</sub>            | Low battery detection<br>accuracy                     |  | 0                    |            | 5                   | %    |
| V <sub>il</sub>             | Low level input                                       |  |                      |            | 0.3*V <sub>dd</sub> | V    |
| V <sub>ih</sub>             | High level input                                      |  | 0.7*V <sub>dd</sub>  |            |                     | V    |
| I <sub>il</sub>             | Leakage current                                       | V <sub>il</sub> =0V                                    | -1                   |            | 1                   | uA   |
| I <sub>ih</sub>             | Leakage current                                       | V <sub>ih</sub> =V <sub>dd</sub> , V <sub>dd</sub> =4V | -1                   |            | 1                   | uA   |
| V <sub>ol</sub>             | Low level output                                      | I <sub>ol</sub> =2mA                                   |                      |            | 0.4                 | V    |
| V <sub>oh</sub>             | High level output                                     | I <sub>oh</sub> =-2mA                                  | V <sub>dd</sub> -0.4 |            |                     | V    |

### AC characteristic

| symbol           | parameter                            | remark   | min                        | typica<br>l      | max                        | Unit |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------|
| f <sub>ref</sub> | PLL frequency                        |  | 9                          | 10               | 11                         | MHz  |
| f <sub>LO</sub>  | frequency<br>(10MHz crystal<br>used) | 433 MHz band,2.5KHz step<br>868 MHz band,5KHz step<br>915 MHz band,7.5KHz step | 430.24<br>860.48<br>900.72 |                  | 439.75<br>879.51<br>929.27 | MHz  |
| f <sub>LO</sub>  | frequency<br>(9MHz crystal<br>used)  | 433 MHz band,2.5KHz step<br>868 MHz band,5KHz step<br>915 MHz band,7.5KHz step | 387.22<br>774.43<br>810.65 |                  | 395.76<br>791.56<br>836.34 | MHz  |
| f <sub>LO</sub>  | frequency<br>(11MHz crystal<br>used) | 433 MHz band,2.5KHz step<br>868 MHz band,5KHz step<br>915 MHz band,7.5KHz step | 473.26<br>946.53<br>990.79 |                  | 483.73<br>967.46<br>1022.2 | MHz  |
| BW               | Receiver<br>bandwidth                | mode 0<br>mode 1<br>mode 2   | 60<br>120<br>180           | 67<br>134<br>200 | 75<br>150<br>225           | KHz  |

|                      |   |   |     |                           |                      |      |
|----------------------|---|---|-----|---------------------------|----------------------|------|
|                      |   | mode 3  | 240 | 270                       | 300                  |      |
|                      |   | mode 4  | 300 | 350                       | 375                  |      |
|                      |   | mode 5  | 360 | 400                       | 450                  |      |
| $t_{lock}$           | PLL lock time   | After 10MHz step hopping,<br>frequency error <10 kHz        |     | 30                        |                      | us   |
| $t_{st, P}$          | PLL startup time  | With a running crystal<br>oscillator                        |     | 200                       | 300                  | us   |
| BR                   | Data rate   | With internal digital<br>demodulator                        | 0.6 |                           | 115.2                | kbps |
| BR <sub>A</sub>      | Data rate   | With external RC filter                                     |     |                           | 256                  | kbps |
| P <sub>min</sub>     | Sensitivity<br>(BER 10 <sup>-3</sup> ,<br>BW=134KHz, BR=1<br>.2kbps,) | 433MHz band<br>868MHz band<br>915MHz band                   |     | -118<br>-114<br>-112      | -116<br>-112<br>-110 | dBm  |
| AFC <sub>range</sub> | AFC working range   | df <sub>FSK</sub> : FSK deviation in the<br>received signal |     | 0.8*<br>df <sub>FSK</sub> |                      |      |

### AC characteristic(Transmitter)

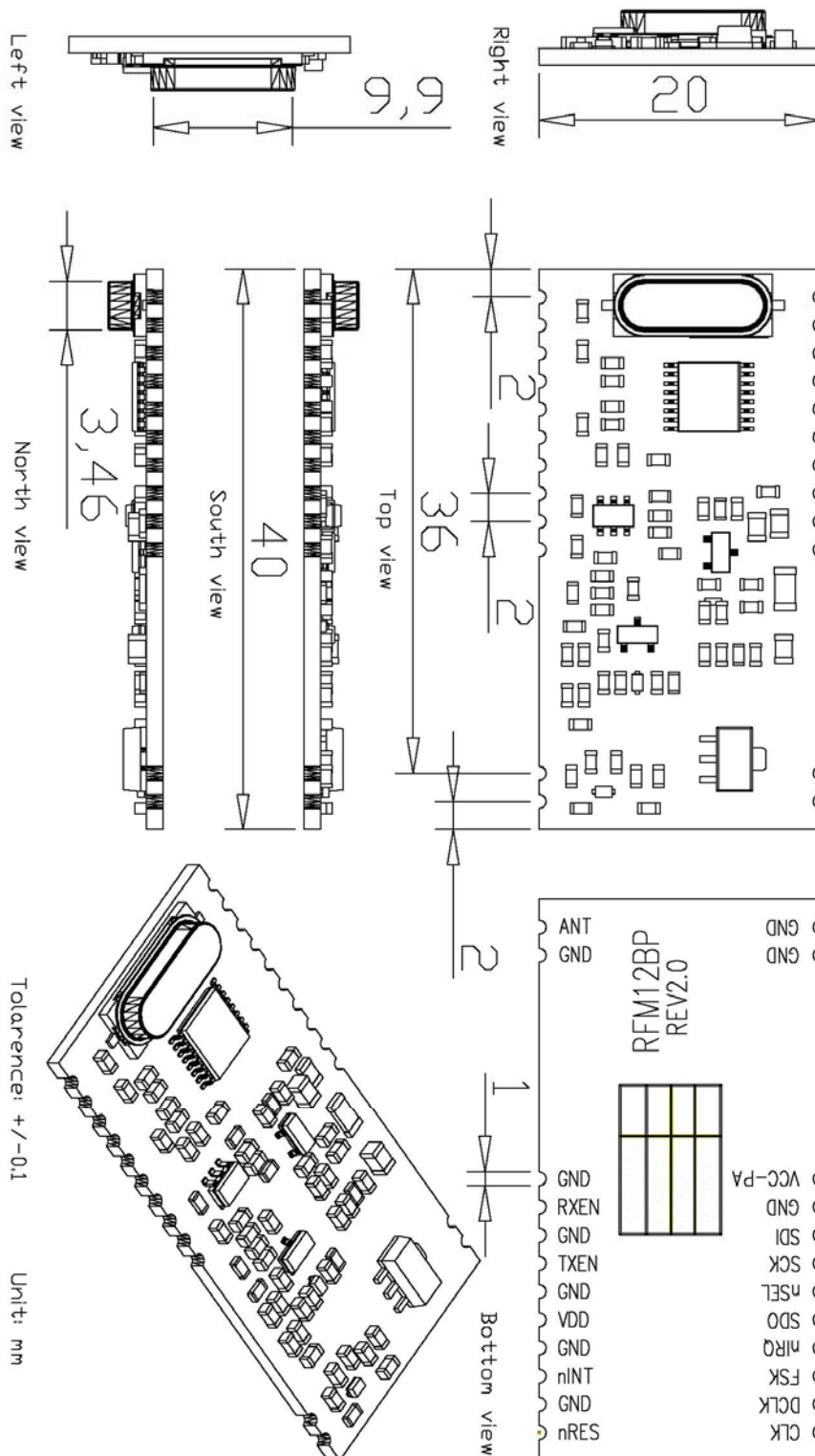
| symbol              | parameter                                    | remark                                    | min            | typical        | max | Unit |
|---------------------|--|---|----------------|----------------|-----|------|
| P <sub>max_50</sub> | Max. output power delivered to<br>50Ohm load | 433MHZ band<br>868MHZ band<br>915MHZ band | 26<br>25<br>25 | 27<br>27<br>27 |     | dBm  |
| BR <sub>TX</sub>    | FSK bit rate                                 | Via internal TX data<br>register          |                |                | 172 | kbps |
| BRA <sub>TX</sub>   | FSK bit rate                                 | TX data connected to<br>the FSK input     |                |                | 256 | kbps |
| df <sub>fsk</sub>   | FSK frequency deviation                      | Programmable in<br>15 kHz steps           | 15             |                | 240 | KHZ  |

### AC characteristic(Turn-on/Turnaround timings)

| symbol                     | parameter                                  | remark   | min | typical | max | Unit |
|----------------------------|--|--|-----|---------|-----|------|
| T <sub>st</sub>            | Crystal oscillator<br>startup time         | Crystal ESR < 100  |     | 1       | 5   | ms   |
| T <sub>tx_XTAL_ON</sub>    | Transmitter<br>turn-on time                | Synthesizer off, crystal<br>oscillator on with 10 MHz<br>step                    |     | 250     |     | us   |
| T <sub>rx_XTAL_ON</sub>    | Receiver<br>turn-on time                   | Synthesizer off, crystal<br>oscillator on with 10 MHz<br>step                    |     | 250     |     | us   |
| T <sub>tx_rx_SYNT_ON</sub> | Transmitter –<br>Receiver<br>turnover time | Synthesizer and crystal<br>oscillator on during TX/RX<br>change with 10 MHz step |     | 150     |     | us   |

|                        |                                      |  |      |     |      |    |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------|-----|------|----|
| $T_{rx\_tx\_SYNT\_ON}$ | Receiver – Transmitter turnover time | Synthesizer and crystal oscillator on during RX/TX change with 10 MHz step |      | 150 |      | us |
| $C_{xl}$               | Crystal load capacitance             | Programmable in 0.5 pF steps, tolerance+/- 10%                             | 8.5  |     | 16   | pf |
| $t_{POR}$              | Internal POR timeout                 | After $V_{dd}$ has reached 90% of final value                              |      |     | 100  | ms |
| $t_{PBt}$              | Wake-up timer clock period           | Calibrated every 30 seconds  | 0.96 |     | 1.05 | ms |
| $C_{in, D}$            | Digital input capacitance            |  |      |     | 2    | pf |
| $t_{r, f}$             | Digital output rise/fall time        | 15pF pure capacitive load  |      |     | 10   | ns |

### Mechanical Dimension



## Module Model Definition

model=module-operation band

**RFM12BP – 433**

module type

operation band

- example: 1, RFM12BP module at 433MHz band, RFM12BP-433.  
2, RFM12BP module at 868MHZ band, RFM12BP-868.

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