Sequans Monarch Go-GPS BLE

Datasheet
and
Hardware Integration Guide

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Introduction

This application note is intended to help customers to successfully integrate and test their product based on Monarch Go-GPS BLE. It presents the datasheet of Monarch Go-GPS BLE device and the integration guidelines for:

- All interface requirements of Monarch Go-GPS BLE with customer's host board and device
- Tips and "how-to"s for testing and troubleshooting
- Verizon ThingSpace IoT SIM activation

This document summarizes product datasheet and proposes a development process aiming at reaching optimal performance and quality of customer's design. It is recommended to follow the steps in the order presented in this document.

This document is divided in three sections:

- Product datasheet
- Integration guidelines and functional testing
- Verizon sign-up procedure to activate ThingSpace IoT SIM Troubleshooting

1. Product Datasheet

1.1. General Description

Monarch Go-GPS BLE connected by Verizon is a comprehensive modem component offering device makers the shortest possible route to market and lowest total cost of ownership (TCO) to develop a cellular-IoT connected device. Unlike traditional cellular modules, it is certified by Verizon as an end-device avoiding costly lab testing while improving time-to-market thanks to a reduced effort for board design. It completely removes the need to design and tune a cellular antenna as it embeds an optimized LTE antenna, saving months of design effort and lab testing. Monarch Go-GPS-BLE comes with a pre-installed ThingSpace IoT SIM and gives device makers the simplest, easiest, and most cost-effective solution for developing IoT devices for operation on Verizon's network --- simply plug it in and go.

1.2. Applications

Monarch Go-GPS BLE is perfectly suited for a broad range of IoT applications, including telemetry, vending machines, agriculture sensor applications, asset and transportation trackers, hardware tools, and home security monitoring applications.

1.3. System Architecture

Customer IoT devices are typically designed with a MCU and a set of sensors. This MCU connects to Monarch Go-GPS BLE through an UART interface and can exchange data with a cloud server using Verizon LTE network. The cloud server and the MCU are where the customer application runs. Verizon ThingSpace platform provides managed billing, FOTA, device diagnostic and location service[1] for Monarch Go-GPS BLE.
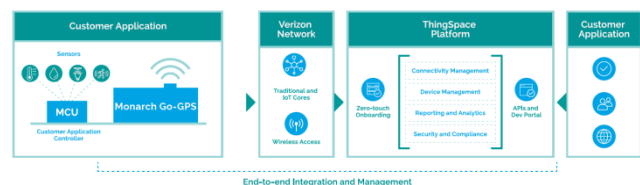
[1]Contact Verizon for service availability

1.4. Mechanical Overview

- Monarch Go-GPS BLE dimensions: 35 mm (1.38") x 50 mm (1.97") x 14.95 mm (0.59")
- Plastic enclosure, black color
- Fixable with two M2 screws and two metal nuts soldered on customer's PCB. They are delivered when ordering Monarch Go-GPS BLE
- Verizon ThingSpace SIM pre-installed (3FF)
- Embedded LTE & GNSS & Bluetooth low energy antenna
- Three LEDs, one for LTE-M1 modem activity, one for GPS activity and one for BLE
- Low profile 20-pin digital board-to-board connector to connect customer MCU application controller
- Optional board-to-board flex cable 150 mm (5.9") between Monarch Go-GPS BLE and customer MCU application board. Orderable separately
- 16 g weight

SIM cover

M2 screws

Metal nuts

Digital
board-to-board
connector

Monarch Go-GPS BLE : Top view

Monarch Go-GPS BLE : Bottom view

LTE, GPS, BLE LED

Connector
to customer MCU application board

Connector
to Monarch Go-GPS BLE

Board-to-board flex cable (optional)
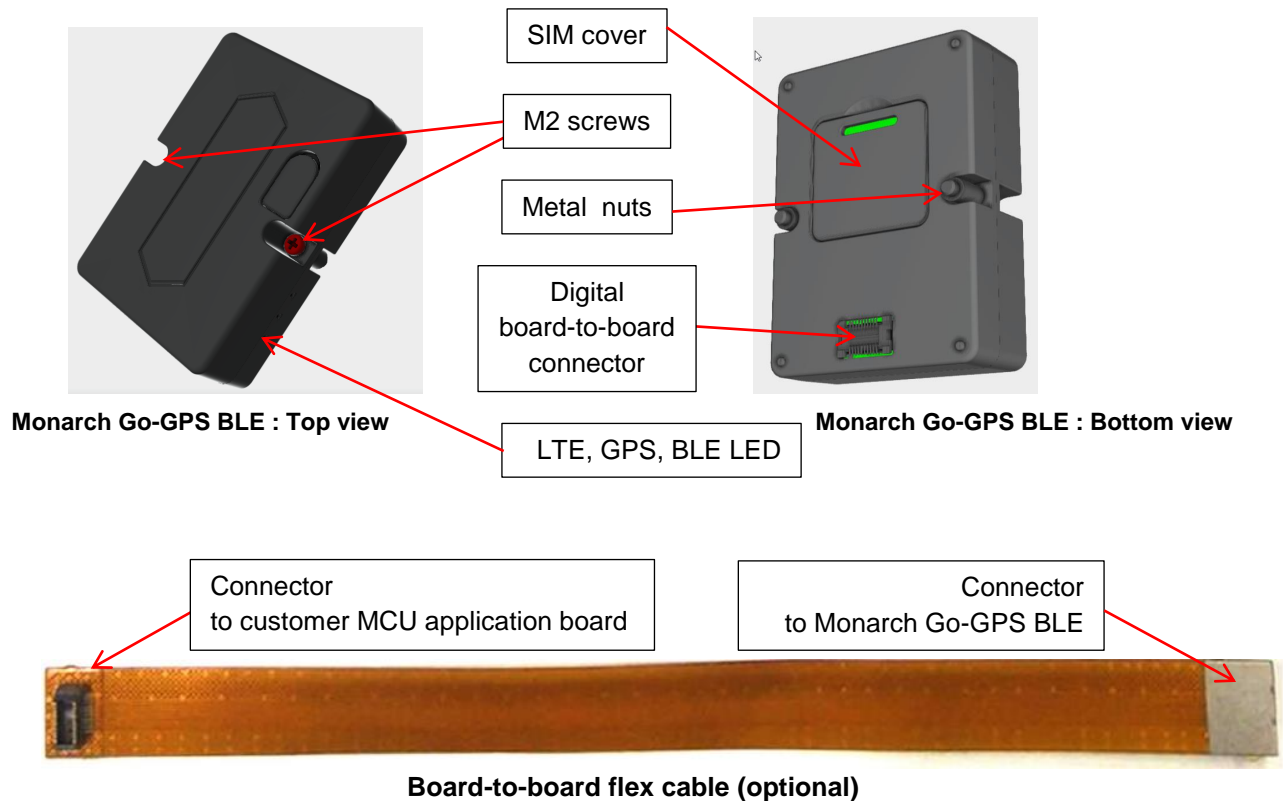
1.5. Product Characteristics

LTE with internal antenna	Release 13 Cat-M1, 375 kbps uplink and 300 kbps downlink (peak)	
	Band 13 (700c)	TRP: 16dBm[1] TIS: -99dBm[1]
	Band 4 (1700/2100 AWS)	TRP: 18dBm[1] TIS: -100dBm[1]
	Radiation pattern	Omnidirectional
	Polarization	Linear
GPS with internal antenna	Band	L1
	Sensitivity	Tracking -162 dBm; Acquisition -148 dBm
	Modes	MSB: supported MSA: not supported Standalone GPS: will be available in next software version
	Antenna radiation pattern	Omnidirectional
	Antenna polarization	Polarized
Bluetooth LE with internal antenna	Band	2.4GHz ISM (2402 MHz 2480 MHz) Bluetooth Low Energy radio interface v4.2 for controlling Monarch Go-GPS BLE with AT commands and virtual UART interface on host side
	Antenna radiation pattern	Omnidirectional
	Antenna polarization	Linear
PSM	Default value	Disabled
eDRX	Default value	Disabled
RRC Idle	Default value	Set by network - 1.28s cycle
cDRX	Disabled	
SMS	Send and receive SMS in RRC Idle, eDRX and PSM mode.	
APN	Default value	Set by network IPV4V6
SUPL [2]	Default value	Disabled
Verizon Thingspace	Supported services	LWM2M: FOTA, diagnostics, Precise Location Services[2]
Roaming	Default value	Disabled
Modem control from external MCU	support for UDP, TCP, TFTP, FTP, HTTP, HTTPS, MQTT or MQTTS through AT commands	
SIM	Verizon ThingSpace IoT SIM card pre-installed, 3FF	
LED	Default value	LTE activity GPS activity BLE activity
Digital board-to-board connector	Connector type	Low profile 20-pin digital board-to-board connector to connect to customer's host board

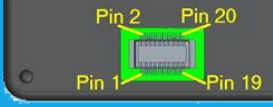| User interface (1.8V)	UART 4-wires interface (RXD, TXD, RTS, CTS) is the physical interface for controlling Monarch Go-GPS BLE from an external processor, typically a MCU, with AT commands. The default baudrate is 115200bps with hardware flow control (RTS/CTS)
	RING signals the availability of URC from Monarch Go-GPS modem and can be used to wake-up the MCU on the host board
	WAKE, POWER_STATUS: these functions are disabled and not used.
Debug interface (1.8V, 3.1V)	UART2 2-wires interface (RXD/TXD) with default baudrate of 115200bps for LTE modem console port. Hardware flow control RTS/CTS is disabled by default. This interface is 1.8V. GPS_UART1 2-wires (RXD/TXD) with default baudrate of 115200bps configured for GPS console port. There is no signal for hardware flow control RTS/CTS. This interface is 3.1V

Notes:
   (1) TIS/TRP performance is met when design recommendations are followed for optimal antenna placement. These values are applicable to A3 hardware version.
   (2) Additional charges might apply. Contact Verizon for service availability.

The below table summarizes the product reference orderable online from Avnet (https://www.avnet.com/shop/us/m/sequans-communications/) or Sequans for direct customers:

Avnet orderable reference	Sequans orderable part number	Item description	Hardware version	UE software version	Product status
MONARCH-Go-GPS-BLE-STK	GM01Q-Go-GPS-BLE-A4	Monarch Go-GPS BLE Starter Kit	A3	SR1.2.0.0-10867	Volume production
MONARCH-Go-GPS-BLE	GBA3NAZQZZ	Monarch Go-GPS BLE modem component with two M.2 screws and nuts	A3	SR1.2.0.0-10867	Volume production
Will be provided in a future edition of the document		150mm flex cable	n/a	Not applicable	Volume production

1.6. Digital board-to-board connector

Monarch Go-GPS board-to-board connector
reference: MOLEX 53916-0208

Pin number (1)(3)	Direction	Pin name	Function	Description	Power group	State @reset	Pull-up on host board (2)
1	IN	VCC	Power supply	Voltage level 3.1V to 5.5V	n/a	n/a	
2	IN	GND	Ground		n/a	n/a	
3	IN	GND	Ground		n/a	n/a	
4	IN	nRESET	Reset	Reset signal. Active low.	3.1V	In, PU	O
5	IN	UART1_TXD	Main UART1 TXD	Main UART: Host board sends data to Monarch Go-GPS.	1.8V	In, PU	
6	OUT	UART1_RXD	Main UART1 RXD	Main UART: Monarch Go-GPS sends data to Host board.	1.8V	In, PU	
7	IN	UART1_RTS	Main UART1 RTS	Main UART: Hardware flow control signals. Active low. UART1_RTS is	1.8V	In, PU	O
8	OUT	UART1_CTS	Main UART1 CTS		1.8V	In, PU	O
9	OUT	RING	RING signal	This signal indicates a URC from Monarch Go-GPS and shall be read by host board. Active low.	1.8V	In, PU	O
10	IN	WAKE	Wake-up signal	Disabled by default. Connect to headers.	1.8V	In, PD	
11	OUT	POWER_STATUS	Power Saving Status	Disabled by default. Connect to headers.	1.8V	In, PD	
12	IN	UART2_TXD	Debug UART2 TXD	Debug UART2. Data for LTE modem console. Connect to headers.	1.8V	In, PU	
13	OUT	UART2_RXD	Debug UART2 RXD		1.8V	In, PU	
14	IN	UART2_RTS	Debug UART2 RTS	Debug UART2: Hardware flow control signals. Disabled by default. Connect to headers.	1.8V	In, PU	
15	OUT	UART2_CTS	Debug UART2 CTS		1.8V	In, PU	
16	OUT	GPS_UART1_RXD	Debug GPS UART1 RXD	Debug GPS_UART1. Data for GPS console . Connect to headers.	3.1V	In, PU	
17	IN	GPS_UART1_TXD	Debug GPS UART1 TXD		3.1V	In, PU	
18	n/a	DNC18	Do not connect		1.8V	In, HiZ	
19	OUT	GPS_UART2_RXD	Do not connect	Used internally, do not connect, keep floating.	3.1V	In, PU	
20	IN	GPS_UART2_TXD	Do not connect		3.1V	In, PD	

Notes :

(1) The pin number "1" is located on the side nearest the outer edge of the plastic case as described below:
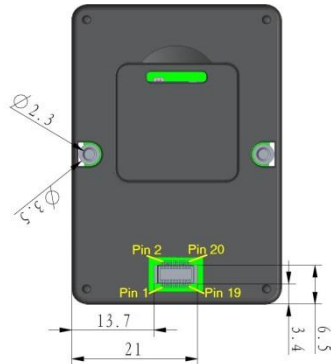
(2) "O" in this column means that a pull-up to an always-on voltage supply (Power group) with typical 100kOhm resistor is an option:
- It is mandatory for designing a compatible host board hosting either Monarch Go-GPS, Monarch Go-GPS BLE or Monarch Go (LTE only) version, at a degraded standby current.
- If the host board is only for Monarch Go-GPS or Monarch Go-GPS BLE, pull-up resistors are not needed.

See section 2.1 for more details.
(3) Note the pin characteristics (name, function, …) of the pin number 16 to 20 are different versus the digital board-to-board connector of the Monarch Go (LTE Only) version.

1.7. Electrical

- VCC:
    - Operating voltage supply   min 3.1 V - max 5.5 V
    - VCC power supply dimensioning   peak 2.0 W
- DC characteristics for digital I/O1.8V power group (main UART1, debug UART2 and other 1.8V signals)
    - V_{IH} Input High level voltage   min 1.26 V - max 3.6V
    - V_{IL} Input Low level voltage   min 0 V – max 0.45VV_{OH} Output High level voltage   min 1.35 V - max 1.8V
- DC characteristics for digital I/O 3.1V power group (debug GPS_UART1)
    - V_{IH} Input High level voltage   min 2.0 V - max 3.6V
    - V_{IL} Input Low level voltage   min -0.3 V - max 0.8V
    - V_{OH} Output High level voltage   min 1.35 V - max 1.8V
- Power Consumption (typical, VCC=3.8 V; when a range is given, average value depends on radio condition and LED activity)
    - Deep sleep mode, PSM   35uA
    - eDRX 81.92s   0.5-1.3m A
    - RRC Idle 1.28s   3.3-6.2mA
    - Receive, max throughput   150mA
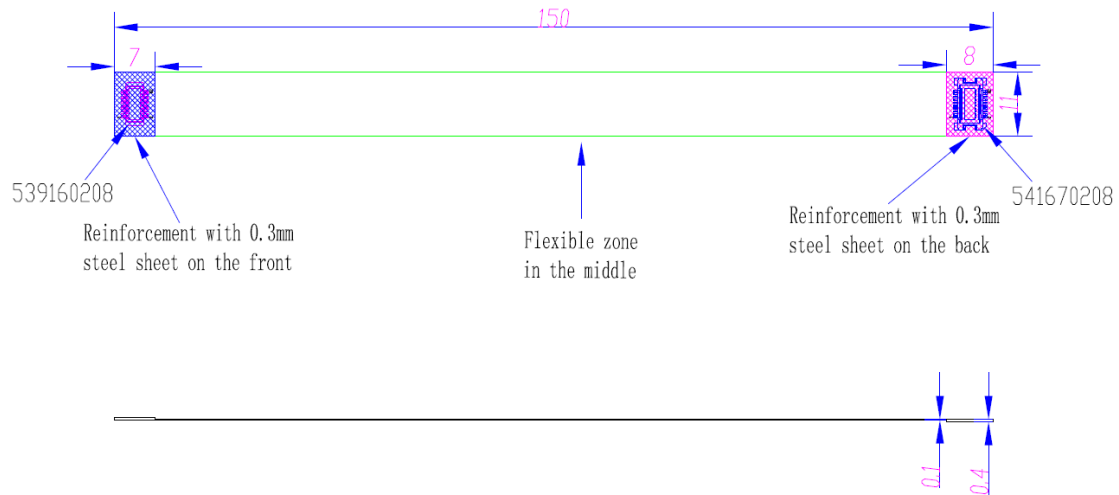   - Transmit, max throughput, +23dBm   230mA

1.8. Environmental

- Compliant with RoHS directive EU 2015/863
- Temperature
    - Operating (board)   -40° C to +80° C
    - RF compliant (ambient)   -30° C to +60° C
    - Storage   -40° C to +85° C
- Humidity
    - Operating   10% to 85% (non condensing)
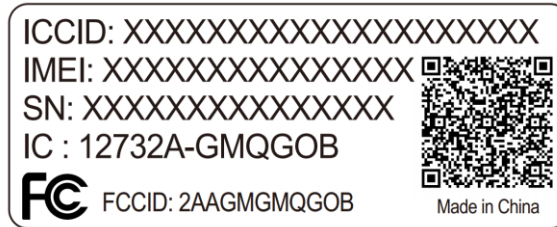   - Storage   5% to 85% (non condensing)

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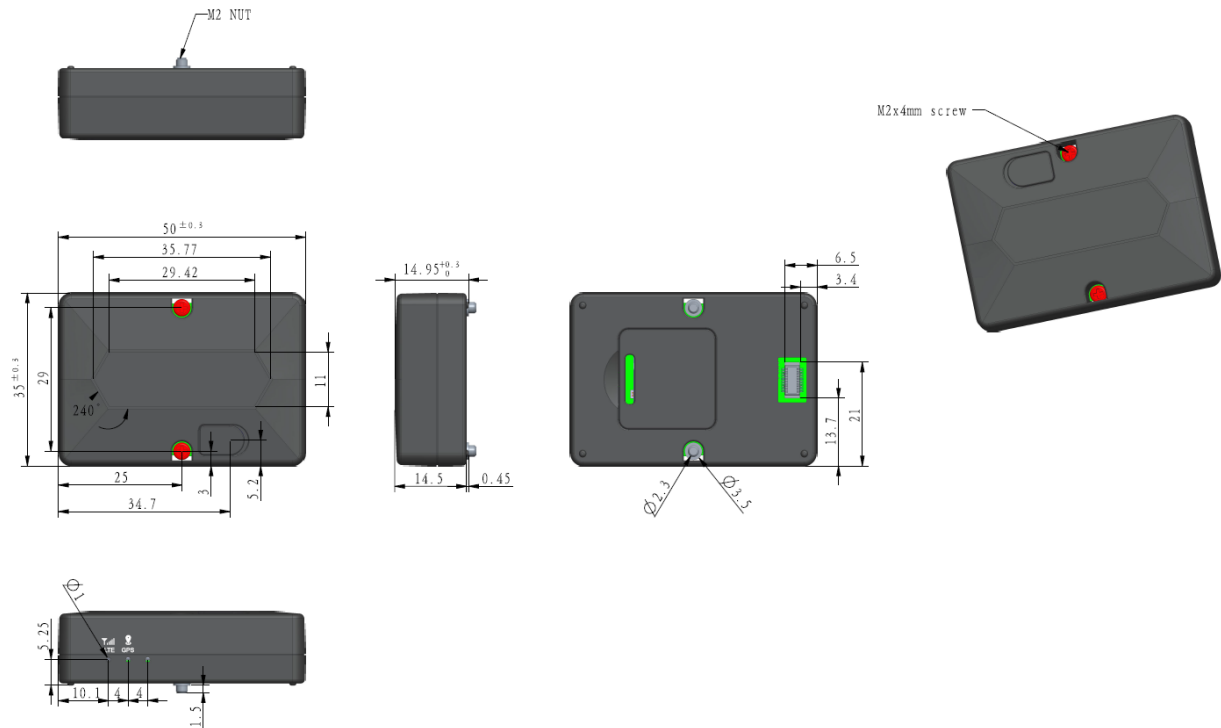
Monarch Go-GPS BLE – A3 hardware version
(dimension in mm)

150mm flex cable (dimension in mm)

1.10.   Label

The following identities are marked on a 30x12mm heat resistant label on Monarch Go-GPS BLE device:

ICCID: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
IMEI: XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
SN: XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
IC : 12732A-GMQGOB
FC FCCID: 2AAGMGMQGOB
Made in China

1.11.   Certifications

The certifications apply to Monarch Go-GPS – A3 hardware version.

Verizon certification	Verizon Open Development Device Certification LTE cat-M1, band 13 and band 4 Certification ID: 13215
Regulatory approval	FCC part 15 / ISED LTE band 13 and band 4 FCC-ID: 2AAGMGMQGOB IC: 12732A-GMQGOB

1.12.   Regulatory Approval

1.12.1. FCC statement

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

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.

RF exposure safety

This device complies with the FCC RF exposure limits and has been evaluated in compliance with **mobile** exposure conditions.

The equipment must be installed and operated with minimum distance of 20 cm of the human body.

Class B device notice

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

—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.

1.12.2. IC Industry Canada Statement

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

Les changements ou modifications non expressément approuvés par la partie responsable de la conformité peuvent annuler le droit de l'utilisateur à utiliser l'équipement.

This device complies with ISED license-exempt RSS(s). 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.

Cet appareil est conforme aux RSS exempts de licence d'ISDE. Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) Cet appareil ne doit pas provoquer d'interférences nuisibles et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence reçue, y compris les interférences susceptibles de provoquer un fonctionnement indésirable.

Permitted Antenna

This radio transmitter has been approved by the ISED to operate with the internal antenna listed below with the maximum permissible gain 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 émetteur radio a été approuvé par l'ISDE pour fonctionner avec l'antenne interne listée ci-dessous avec le gain maximum autorisé indiqué. Les types d'antennes non inclus dans cette liste, ayant un gain supérieur au gain maximum indiqué pour ce type, sont strictement interdits pour une utilisation avec cet appareil.

South Star Technology, SV90 LTE antenna	
Licensed bands	Max Gain
Band 4	2 dBi
Band 13	0 dBi

RF exposure safety

This device complies with ISED RF exposure limits and has been evaluated in compliance with **mobile** exposure conditions.

Cet appareil est conforme aux limites d'exposition RF d'ISDE et a été évalué conformément aux conditions d'exposition mobile.

The equipment must be installed and operated with minimum distance of 20 cm of the human body.

L'équipement doit être installé et utilisé à une distance minimale de 20 cm du corps humain.

CAN ICES-003 (B)

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003

Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme à la norme ICES-003 du Canada

1.13. Export Control Certification Number (ECCN)

ECCNs are five character alpha-numeric designations used on the Commerce Control List (CCL) to identify dual-use items for export control purposes. An ECCN categorizes items based on the nature of the product, i.e. type of commodity, software, or technology and its respective technical parameters.

- ECCN of Monarch Go-GPS is 5A992.c. CCATS number is G175554.

The following comment from licensing officer is reported on the license information:

- This encryption item is described in paragraph B to note 3 (mass market note) of category 5 part 2. It is authorized for export and re-export under section 740.17(B)(3) of the export administration regulations (EAR).

2. Integration guideline

2.1. Digital connector

Monarch Go-GPS BLE device can interface to the Host Board through a board-to-board digital connector:
- Customer shall design a host board with the connector part number 54167-0208 from Molex as described in below figure. The datasheet can be obtained searching Molex web site (https://www.molex.com) with this part number.
- Monarch Go-GPS is equipped with a digital connector, its part number is 53916-0208 from Molex

The below diagram is an example of host board implementation:
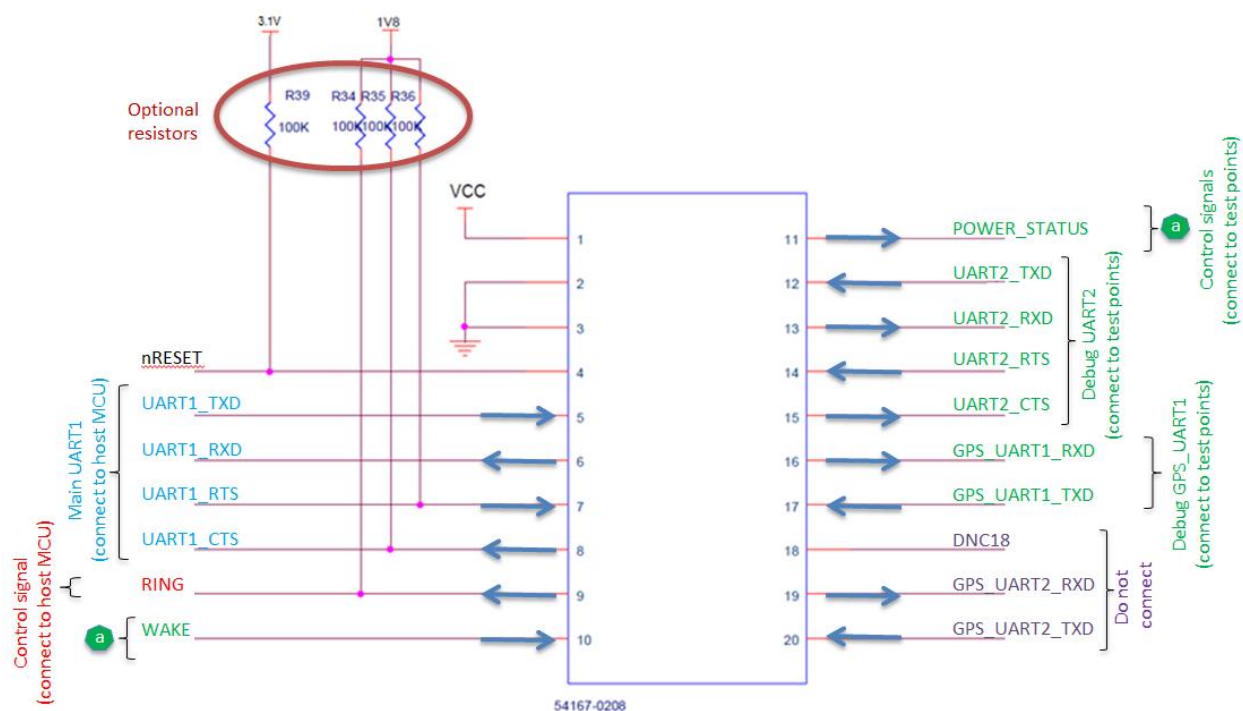
Example schematic of host board with Molex 54167-0208 connector to connect Monarch Go-GPS BLE

The mandatory electrical interfaces between Monarch Go-GPS BLE and the host board are:
- Supply (VCC) min 3.1 V - max 5.5 V. The supply shall support up to 2 Watts peak even if the average power consumption is significantly lower.
- Ground
- nRESET: Monarch Go-GPS BLE device will reset every time this signal goes low.
  - If this signal is connected to a MCU, the MCU GPIO shall be configured as open drain as there is an internal pull-up in Monarch Go-GPS BLE.
  - If this signal is connected to a switch, having a pull-up resistor on host board is not mandatory as there is an internal pull-up in Monarch Go-GPS BLE.

Warning: The host board design for Monarch Go-GPS BLE is not compatible with Monarch Go if there is no pull-up to an always-on supply on host board.
- UART1 4-wires interface (RXD, TXD, RTS, CTS) is the main physical interface for controlling Monarch Go-GPS BLE from an external processor, typically a MCU. The default configuration is:

- o Baud rate : 115200
- o Data : 8 bit
- o Parity : None
- o Stop : 1 bit
- o Flow control : hardware (RTS/CTS)
- RING signals the availability of URC from Monarch Go-GPS BLE modem and can be used to wake-up the MCU on the host board

Warning: The host board shall be compliant with below high voltage level:
- o V_{IH} Input High Voltage (UART1 TXD/RTS)   min 1.26 V - max 3.6V
- o V_{OH} Output High Voltage (UART1 RXD/CTS and RING)   min 1.35 V - max 1.8V

If the MCU on host board is capable of 3V only but not 1.8V, level shifters shall be added on UART1 RXD, CTS and RING.

The below electrical signals on Monarch Go-GPS shall BLE be connected to test points on host board for debug purpose:
- UART2 2-wires RXD/TXD is the LTE modem console port. Default configuration :
  - o Baud rate : 115200
  - o Data : 8 bit
  - o Parity : None
  - o Stop : 1 bit
  - o Flow control : None (no RTS/CTS)

Note: hardware flow control (RTS/CTS) is disabled by default even if signals are present on the connector.

Warning: the high voltage levels for these signals are:
- o V_{IH} Input High Voltage (UART2 TXD/RTS)   min 1.26 V - max 3.6V
- o V_{OH} Output High Voltage (UART2 RXD/CTS)   min 1.35 V - max 1.8V

- GPS_UART1 2-wires RXD/TXD is configured for GPS console. Default values:
  - o Baud rate : 115200
  - o Data : 8 bit
  - o Parity : None
  - o Stop : 1 bit
  - o Flow control : None (no RTS/CTS)

Warning: the high voltage levels for these signals are:
- o V_{IH} Input High level voltage   min 2.0 V - max 3.6V
- o V_{OH} Output High level voltage   min 2.9 V - max 3.3V

- WAKE and POWER_STATUS: These functions are disabled by default.

  Note: the high voltage levels for these signals are:
  - o V_{IH} Input High Voltage (WAKE and POWER_STATUS)   min 1.26 V - max 3.6V
  - o V_{OH} Output High Voltage (WAKE and POWER_STATUS)   min 1.35 V - max 1.8V

2.2. Bluetooth Low Energy interface

Monarch Go-GPS BLE allows the user to send AT commands from the MCU to the product via BLE (on top of physical UART already supported).

The product acts only as a BLE slave. It connects automatically and securely to a single master.

Just after boot, Monarch GO-GPS BLE automatically enters into an advertising mode to allow the master to discover it.

The scanning is requested by the master and Monarch Go-GPS BLE will answer to the requested messages. Master and slave wil then start the auto connection establishment procedure.

Monarch-Go-GPS BLE device naming convention is defined as per the following:

- GM01Q-GO-GPS-BLE-<last 7 digits of serial number of the device>
  - Example : GM01Q-GOGPS-BLE0002005

When the end user will have to pair his device, he will have to entre 6 digit pairing key. Digit key is composed by the 6 last IMEI digits from the device.

Once connected, device emulates service for UART interface. Monarch Go-GPS-BLE is implementing a BLE GATT server.

Monarch-Go-GPS BLE supports a single master: once a master is connected, the product will stop advertising to other masters and will not accept new connections from other masters until the connected master release the connection.

If master disconnects from slave either voluntary with an AT command or involuntary because of radio link quality, the slave goes back to advertising mode automatically and wait for a master to discover it.

2.3. Physical integration

2.3.1.   Placement without flex cable

When Monarch Go-GPS BLE is connected directly on host board, the host board shall be designed with
- 2 holes to solder the M.2 nuts
- the board-to-board connector

An example of placement on host board is illustrated below:

Host board (top view):
without Monarch Go-GPS BLE (left) and with Monarch Go-GPS BLE (right)

The M.2 nuts are made of metal and are aimed at ensuring physical and grounding connection between the host board and Monarch Go-GPS BLE thanks to two M.2 screws and nuts.
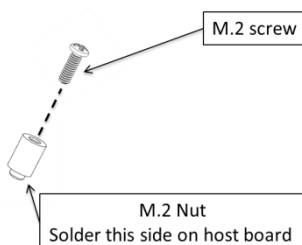
M.2 nut and M.2 screw

Note: the two M.2 screws and nuts are delivered when ordering Monarch Go-GPS BLE (GBA3NAZQZZ).

The exact position of the drilled holes and the connector on Host Board shall match the dimensions given in document "Monarch Go-GPS Mechanical drawing-2d-enclosure-drawing- 20190905_A2.1.pdf". Placement on host Board is critical to correctly fit Monarch Go-GPS BLE to the host Board.
- The dimension of the M.2 nuts are given in document "NDA-Monarch Go-Mechanical drawing-2d-SMT-NUT-M2x4_A2.1.pdf". The nuts are shipped with Monarch Go-GPS .

- The dimension of the M.2 screws are given in document "NDA-Monarch Go-Mechanical drawing-2d-Screw-M2X4-Model_A2.1.pdf". The screws are shipped with Monarch Go-GPS .
- The footprint of the connector 54167-0208 is given in Molex datasheet available from their web site.

> **Note**: customer can add anti vibration thread locking adhesive to the 2 screws for higher resistance to vibration.

Warning: In order to get optimal antenna performance, no metal plate shall be located above Monarch Go-GPS BLE embedded LTE antenna as described on this figure:
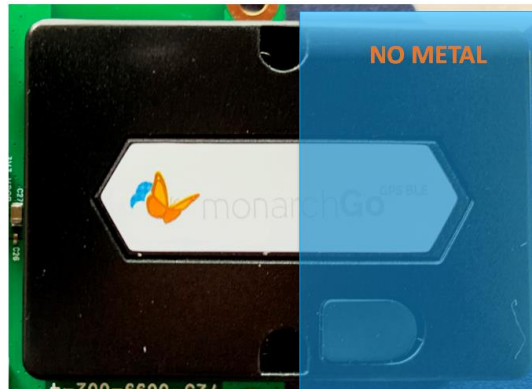
2.3.2. Placement with flex cable

The optional flex cable can be used between the connector of the Host Board and the connector of Monarch Go-GPS BLE, allowing positioning Monarch Go-GPS BLE away of the host board.
- The position of the connector on the Host Board does not have to follow the guidance of section 2.2.1 when the flex cable is used, it gives more flexibility in Host Board design.

In order to get optimal antenna performance, the design shall follow below guidelines:

- It is recommended to solder the nuts to a large PCB with ground plane
- If this is not possible, the nuts shall be soldered to wires connected to ground. The objective is to improve grounding connection between Monarch Go-GPS BLE PCB and an external ground plane, for optimal antenna performance.
- The best position of Monarch Go-GPS BLE device into the end product can be estimated by using AT command AT+CSQ that reports signal strength. The position with lowest value (highest signal strength) is the best one.

Warning: In order to get optimal antenna performance, no metal plate shall be located above Monarch Go-GPS BLE embedded LTE antenna as described on this figure:

2.4. Functional testing

Once Monarch Go-GPS BLE is correctly assembled to the Host Board, AT command interface through physical UART connected to external MCU or Bluetooth radio interface can be used for functional testing. Sending AT command "ATI1" to UART1 will return Monarch Go-GPS BLE software version:

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UE5.2.0.1
SR1.2.0.0-xxxx
LR5.2.1.0-yyyy
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This will verify that the UART1 connection between Host Board MCU and Monarch Go-GPS BLE is functional and correctly configured (voltage level, baud rate, hardware flow control).

The next step is to verify connectivity to Verizon network, this can be done typing AT+PING=www.sequans.com command.

2.5. Configuration

The default LTE LED behavior can be changed using AT+SQNLED, this is a persistent setting.

- AT+SQNLED=0 : Set LTE blink mode Off. The LTE LED is switched off.
- AT+SQNLED=1 : Set blink mode On. The LTE LED will blink according to the system state:
  - o AT+CFUN=0 or 4. The modem is stopped or in Airplane mode. The LED is permanently turned off.
  - o AT+CFUN=1. LTE data transfer. The LTE LED is permanently turned on.
  - o AT+CFUN=1. The modem is registered to the network, no data transfer (modem is in RRC Idle). The LTE LED blinks (typically 1280 ms on, 19200 ms off).
  - o AT+CFUN=1. Limited Network Service (no SIM, network search). The LED blinks (typically 500 ms on, 500 ms off).
  - o AT+CFUN=1. The modem is in sleep or deep sleep mode (eDRX or PSM). The LTE LED is permanently turned off.
- AT+SQNLED=2 : Set GPS blink mode Off. The GPS LED is switched off.
- AT+SQNLED=3 : Set GPS blink mode On. The GPS LED will blink according to the system state: the GPS is active (1000ms on, 2000ms off)
- AT+SQNLED=4 : Set BLE blink mode Off. The BLE LED is switched off.
- AT+SQNLED=5 (default): Set BLE blink mode On. The BLE LED will blink according to the system state. Note that enabling BLE LED will prevent Monarch Go-GPS BLE to go in deep sleep mode during advertising mode.

3. Verizon SIM sign-up procedure to activate ThingSpace IoT SIM

In order to sign-up to the VzW ThingSpace portal, you can go to the web page:
https://thingspace.verizon.com/start

Note: for security reason, Verizon sign-up procedure requires to have a USA mobile phone number to receive the mobile passcode from Verizon through SMS. Without this, you cannot activate the SIM pre-installed in Monarch Go-GPS BLE. Contact Verizon for further assistance.

Then follow the below procedure.

Step 1: Start the Signup procedure
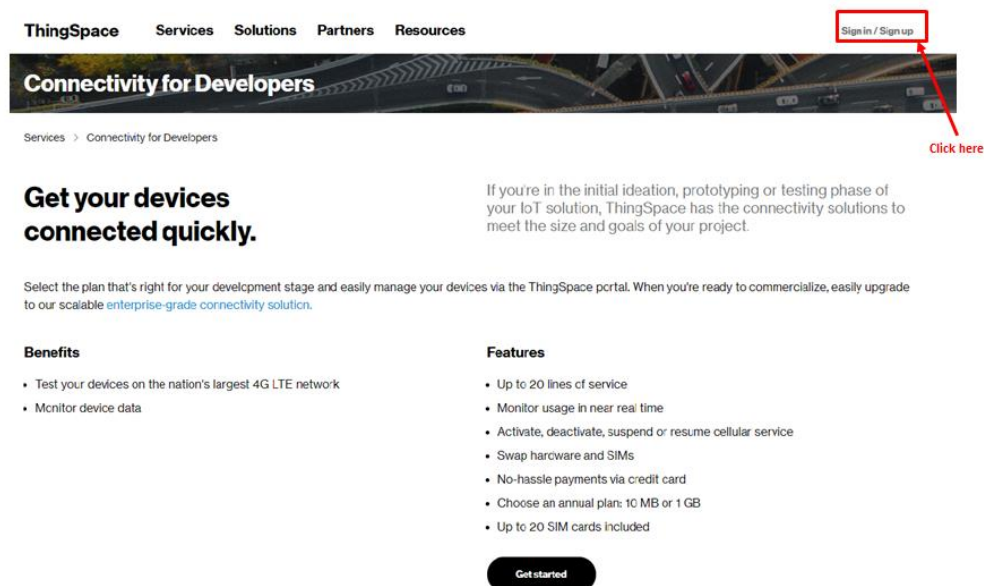
Step 2: select the ThingSpace signup procedure

Step 3: Signup for a developer connectivity account

Step 4: Fulfill the required fields with your personal information and get your Email passcode

Your Email passcode will be sent to you by Verizon to your Email address.

Step 5: Enter your US phone number and get your Mobile passcode

Your Mobile passcode will be sent to you by SMS on your mobile phone.

Step 6: Enter your email passcode and mobile passcode and get your ThingSpace credentials

Your ThingSpace credentials will be sent to you by email and SMS.

Step 7: create your security profile and launch the registration of your device

Welcome, Rajenish.

At Verizon, we value your privacy and security. Since this is your first time signing in, you willl be taken through the enrollment and account security process.

Set up your account

*Required field

Your username and password have been created.

Set up your security profile

Answers are not case sensitive, must be 3-40 characters and only consist of letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), spaces and periods.

What was your favorite place to visit as a child? ⌄

Your answer *

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→ Enter here your security answer

Set answer and register my device   Set answer and do not register device

→ Click here to start your device registration

If this is your private computer, you may register it to avoid One Time Passcodes in the future. You should only register computers that are private, such as your work or personal computer.

Your One Time Passcode options have been created.

Step 8: Verify and approve your security profile and go ahead

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Welcome, Rajenish.

At Verizon, we value your privacy and security. Since this is your first time signing in, you willl be taken through the enrollment and account security process.

2. Set up your account

Your username and password have been created.

3. Set up your security profile

Your secret question and answer have been set.

Please verify your One Time Passcode delivery options.

One Time Passcodes are sent to verify identity when retrieving a forgotten username or password.

Saved Delivery Options. You must have at least one option set for your account. ❶

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Add a delivery option

You can view or change your options later from your security profile.

Click here to continue

Continue

Step 9: Select your preferred data plan

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ThingSpace Account

Plan information

Annual plan

Select the data plan you prefer

○ **$20** /year   ○ **$5** /year

+$1/device /month ❶   +$1/device /month ❶
+tax & fees   +tax & fees
• 1GB data/year   • 10 MB data/year
• Share up to 20 OD devices   • Share up to 20 OD devices

Continue

Click here to continue

Step 10: provide your payment detailed and get your device register

Payment details

Credit card billing address *Required

First name*
Rajenish

Last name*
Jain

Address 1*
Address 1

Address 2
Address 2

City*
city

State*
[⌄]

Zip code*
Zip code*

Email*
rjain@sequans.com

Payment method *Required

Account nickname*
Account nickname

Name on Card*
Name on Card

Card type*
[⌄]

Card number*
Card number*

CVV*
CVV

Expiration month*
[⌄]

Expiration year*
[⌄]

After this step, your device will be register in the Verizon ThingSpace platform, ready to use ThingSpace services.

4. Troubleshooting

4.1. Replacing the SIM card

The SIM card can be removed and replaced after opening Monarch Go-GPS enclosure (bottom). When the SIM connector is visible, follow the below steps:

① Slide metal lid from 'LOCK' position to 'OPEN' position

② Open metal lid to allow SIM card to be inserted

③ Place SIM card against contacts, chip face down

④ Close metal lid and slide back to 'LOCK' position
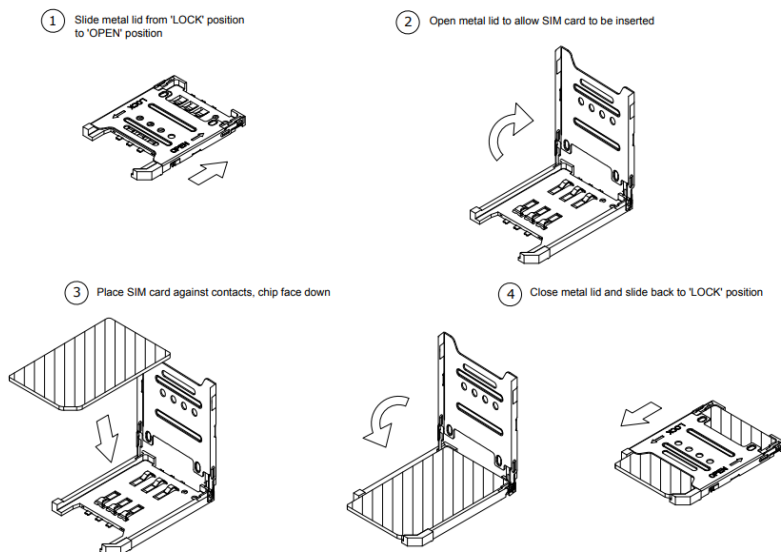
4.2. Connecting a RF cable to LTE connector

Monarch Go-GPS BLE has an SWG_VE series RF connector for LTE signal. It is located inside the enclosure. Once you remove the mechanical protection (top), you can connect a RF cable reference MXHQ87WA3000 orderable from Murata. This connector can be used for debug purpose. It is not intended to be used in operating mode.

Note: this RF connector cannot be used to connect to the GPS or BLE receiver, it is only for the LTE signal.