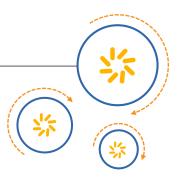


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#### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 General description

The AR6004 is a single chip, small form factor 2x2 IEEE 802.11 a/b/g/n MAC/baseband/radio optimized for low-power mobile applications. It is the fourth generation WLAN design in the ROCm family, employing low power consumption WLAN architecture in the smallest possible form factor. The AR6004 is a two-stream 2x2 dual-band MIMO 802.11n implementation. The AR6004 provides improved link robustness, extended range, increased throughput, and better performance at home, at work, or while mobile. The AR6004 is part of the XSpan product family. It provides high wireless throughput, enabling flawless media stream and file sharing on any Wi-Fi device. The AR6004 family implements design techniques to deliver a solution that will extend the battery life of mobile and embedded systems. It leverages its near-zero power in idle and stand-by modes to enable users to leave WLAN *always-on* without impacting battery life.

The AR6004 family offers silicon integration and implements proprietary internal efficient power amplifier (EPA) technology in CMOS with advanced linearization algorithms and internal lownoise amplifiers (LNAs), thereby reducing the BOM costs in the system design. It provides the option for an additional external PA for higher output power if needed. The AR6004 family has an integrated power management unit (PMU) that allows the AR6004 to be powered directly from the battery. It has an on-chip switching regulator for voltage conversion and additional LDOs to provide noise isolation for digital and analog supplies.

The AR6004 family supports 2- and 3-wire and proprietary BT coexistence protocols with advanced algorithms for predicting channel usage by a colocated BT transceiver.

The AR6004 family provides multiple peripheral interfaces (PIFs) including universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART), SDIO, SPI, I2C, etc., using GPIO pins. The only external clock source needed for AR6004-based designs is a high-speed crystal or oscillator. A variety of reference clocks are supported that include 19.2, 24, 26, 38.4, 40 and 52 MHz. AR6004 chips are available in wafer-level chip scale packages (WLCSP) or 6x6 ball grid arrays (BGA) packaging.

#### 1.2 AR6004 features

- All-CMOS IEEE 802.11a/b/g/n or 802.11b/g/n single-chip client
- Two-stream 802.11n to provide highest throughput and superior radio frequency (RF) performance for devices
- Advanced 2x2 802.11n features:
  - □ 40 MHz channels at 5GHz
  - □ Full/Half guard interval
  - Frame aggregation

- □ Space time block coding (STBC)
- □ Low density parity check (LDPC)
- □ Maximum ratio combining (MRC)
- □ Transmit beamforming (TxBF)
- □ Maximum likelihood (ML) decoder
- Integrated high-output EPA and LNA for lowest BOM
- Support of popular interfaces used in embedded designs: SDIO v2.0 (50 MHz, 4-bit and 1-bit), USB, HSIC and GSPI
- Low-power consumption with near zero in idle/standby modes, extending battery life
- Support of indoor location when paired with GPS
- Integrated on-chip processor to minimize the loading on host processor
- Support of 2/3-wire enhanced packet traffic arbitration (PTA) scheme Bluetooth (BT) solution for optimal coexistence implementation
- PTA scheme and BT coexistence protocol with BT solution
- Support of multiple reference clocks from 19.2 MHz to 52 MHz
- Optional external PA, LNA
- Data rates of up to 54 Mb/s for 802.11a/g and 144.4 Mb/s for 802.11n HT20, 300 Mb/s for HT40
- Advanced power management to minimize standby, sleep and active power
- Security support for WPS, WPA2, WPA, WAP and protected management frames
- Full 802.11e QoS support including Wi-Fi Multimedia (WMM) and U-APSD
- Low-power listen mode for reduced receive power consumption and sleep current
- Green-Tx power saving
- 802.11e-compatible bursting
- Support for the IEEE 802.11e, h, i, and j
- Wired equivalent privacy (WEP), temporal key integrity protocol (TKIP), WLAN authentication and privacy infrastructure (WAPI), and advanced encryption standard (AES) hardware encryption
- Reduced (half) guard interval
- Frame aggregation with A-MPDU
- Support of round-trip time (RTT) based ranging measurement to any Wi-Fi devices, which can be used as part of hybrid location system (HLS) for indoor positioning

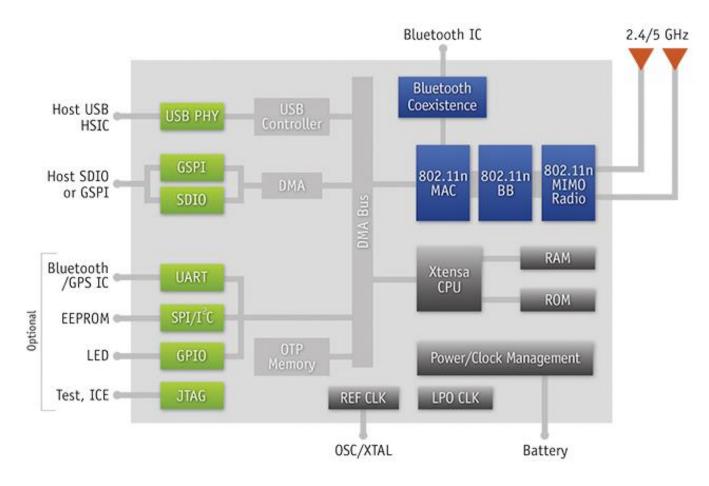


Figure 1-1 AR6004 system block diagram

## 2 Functional Description

#### 2.1 Overview

The AR6004 is a single chip 2x2 802.11 a/b/g/n device, optimized for low-power embedded applications with dual-stream capability for both transmit and receive. Frame aggregation, reduced inter-frame spacing (RIFS) and half-guard intervals provide improved throughput on the link. The AR6004 provides a robust communication environment, capable of supporting STBC LDPC codes. Additional 11n performance optimizations, such as 11n frame aggregation (A-MPDU and A-MSDU) are provided by drivers that support SDIO bus transaction bundling (a form of bus aggregation) and low-overhead host assisted buffering (RX A-MSDU and RX A-MPDU). These techniques can improve the performance and efficiency of applications involving large bulk data transfers (for example, file transfers or high-resolution video streaming). The typical data path consists of the host interface, mailbox DMA, advanced high-performance bus (AHB), memory controller, MAC, baseband module (BB), and radio. The CPU drives the control path using register and memory accesses. External interfaces include USB, HSIC (with LPM support), SDIO or GSPI, reference clock, and front-end components as well as optional connections such as UART, SPI/I2C, GPIO, JTAG, 32 kHz source (see Figure 1-1).

#### 2.2 XTENSA CPU

At the heart of the chip is the XTENSA CPU. The CPU is connected to a large 288 KB RAM block, which precludes the need of an external memory. The CPU has 512 KB internal ROM. The CPU connects to the main AHB bus through its peripheral interface. It also has a JTAG interface for debugging.

The CPU's internal logic and boot code are designed to detect the presence of an external host and to automatically begin communicating with that host. The CPU communicates directly with the RAM and ROM modules within the device without any caching. Boot code in the 512 KB ROM first detects the presence of an external host. It then begins communicating with this host.

#### 2.3 AHB and APB blocks

The AHB block acts as an arbiter on the AHB bus and arbitrates requests from various components of the chip. Depending upon the address, the AHB data request can go into one of the two slaves: APB block or the CPU PIF. Data requests to the CPU PIF are generally high-speed memory requests, while requests to the APB block are primarily meant for register access.

The APB block acts as a decoder. It is meant only for access to programmable registers within the AR6004's main blocks. Depending on the address, the APB request can go to one of the places listed below:

- Radio
- SI/SPI
- MBOX
- GPIO
- UART
- Real time clock (RTC)
- MAC/BB

#### 2.4 Master SI/SPI control

The AR6004 has a master serial interface (SI) that can operate in two, three, or four-wire bus configurations to control EEPROMs or other I2C/SPI devices. Multiple I2C devices with different device addresses are supported by sharing the two-wire bus. Multiple SPI devices are supported by sharing the clock and data signals and using separate software-controlled GPIO pins as chip selects.

An SI transaction consists of two phases: a data transmit phase of 0-8 bytes followed by a data receive phase of 0-8 bytes. The flexible SI programming interface allows software to support various address and command configurations in I2C/SPI devices. In addition, software may operate the SI in either polling or interrupt mode.

#### **2.5 GPIO**

The AR6004 has GPIO pins with direct software access. Many pins are multiplexed with other functions, such as the host interface, UART, SI, BT coexistence, etc. (see Chapter 6 for details). Each GPIO supports the following configurations through software programming:

- Internal pull-up/down options
- Input available for sampling by a software register
- Input triggering an edge or level CPU interrupt
- Input triggering a level chip wakeup interrupt
- Open-drain or push-pull output driver
- Output source from a software register or the sigma delta pulse-width modulation (PWM) digital to analog converter (DAC)

The AR6004 has one Sigma Delta PWM DAC that is shared by all of the GPIO pins. It allows the GPIO pins to approximate intermediate output voltage levels. The DAC has a period of 256 samples with a software controllable duty cycle. In applications where the AR6004 is driving LEDs using GPIO pins, the Sigma Delta PWM DAC can provide a continuous dimmer function.

#### **2.6 MBOX**

The MBOX is a service module to handle one of two possible external hosts: SDIO or GSPI. The AR6004 can handle only one of these hosts at any given time. The type of host the AR6004 uses depends upon the polarity of some package pins upon system power-up. The MBOX has two interfaces: an APB interface for access to the MBOX registers and an AHB interface, which is used by the external host to access the MC memory or other registers within the AR6004.

#### 2.7 HCI UART over SDIO - BT and GPS

The AR6004 has a high-speed UART that is intended to connect to an external BT chip though its HCI interface. This UART can directly transfer data between the host and BT or GPS device.

#### 2.8 Debug UART

The AR6004 includes a high-speed UART interface that is fully compatible with the 16550 UART industry standard. This UART is a general purpose UART although it is primarily used for debug.

#### 2.9 Reset control

The AR6004 CHIP\_PWD\_L pin can be used to completely reset the entire chip. After this signal has been de-asserted, the AR6004 waits for host communication. Until then, the MAC, BB, and SOC blocks are powered off and all modules except the host interface are held in reset.

Once the host has initiated communication, the AR6004 turns on its crystal and later on its PLL. After all clocks are stable and running, the resets to all blocks are automatically de-asserted.

#### 2.10 Reset sequence

After a COLD\_RESET event (for example, the host toggles CHIP\_PWD\_L) the AR6004 enters the HOST\_OFF state and awaits communication from the host. From that point, the typical AR6004 COLD\_RESET sequence is listed below:

- 1. When the host is ready to use the AR6004, it initiates communication through SDIO or GSPI.
- The AR6004 enters the WAKEUP state then the ON state and enables the XTENSA CPU to begin executing ROM code. Software configures the AR6004 functions and interfaces. When the AR6004 is ready to receive commands from the host, it sets an internal function ready bit.
- 3. The host reads the ready bit and can send function commands to the AR6004.
- 4. The CPU may continue to be held in reset under some circumstances until its reset is cleared by an external pin or when the host clears a register.
- 5. The MAC cold reset and the MAC/BB warm reset continues to stay asserted until their respective reset registers are cleared by software.

#### 2.11 Power management unit

The AR6004 has an integrated PMU that generates all the power supplies required by its internal circuitry, either from an external battery or a 3.3 V supply.

The main components of the PMU include the following:

- A linear regulator (PAREG) that converts the battery power to a 3.3 V supply, which can be bypassed if a 3.3 V supply is already available.
- A switching regulator (SWREG), which produces a 1.2 V supply from the 3.3 V supply.
- A linear regulator (SREG), which converts the host I/O supply to a 1.2 V supply for some small control blocks, which are turned on when CHIP PWD L is de-asserted.

#### 2.12 Power transition diagram

The AR6004 provides integrated power management and control functions and extremely low-power operation for maximum battery life across all operational states by:

- Gating clocks for logic when not needed
- Shutting down unneeded high speed clock sources
- Reducing voltage levels to specific blocks in some states

#### 2.12.1 Hardware power states

AR6004 hardware has five top level hardware power states managed by the RTC block. Table 2-1 describes the input from the MAC, CPU, SDIO/MBOX, interrupt logic, and timers that affect the power states.

#### 2.12.2 Sleep state management

Sleep state minimizes power consumption while saving system states. In SLEEP state, all high speed clocks are gated off and the external reference clock source is powered off. For the AR6004 to enter SLEEP state, the MAC, MBOX, and CPU systems must not be active.

The system remains in sleep state until a WAKEUP event causes the system to enter WAKEUP state, wait for the reference clock source to stabilize, and then ungate all enabled clock trees. The CPU wakes up only when an interrupt arrives, which may have also generated the system WAKEUP event.

Table 2-1 Power management states

| State | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
| OFF   | CHIP_PWD_L pin assertion immediately brings the chip to this state. |  |  |  |  |
|       | Sleep clock is disabled.  |  |  |  |  |
|       | No state is preserved.  |  |  |  |  |

| State    | Description   |
|----------|---|
|          | WLAN is off. Only the SDIO host interface is powered on, the rest of the chip is power gated (off).   |
|          | Sharing the WLAN's reference clock with a collocated device is supported, provided the AVDD33 supply is available. Clock sharing will increase consumption in this mode by 2 mA at 3.3 V.           |
| HOST_OFF | The host can transition AR6004 to WAKEUP (followed by ON) at any time by writing a register in the host interface domain.   |
|          | WLAN and CPU state are not retained.  |
|          | For USB/HSIC or hostless designs, this state is bypassed by pulling GPIO0 low at the deassertion of CHIP_PWD_L. This state applies only to SDIO designs.  |
| SLEEP    | Only the sleep clock is operating.  |
|          | The crystal or oscillator is disabled.  |
|          | Any wakeup events (MAC, host, LF timer, GPIO interrupt force a transition to WAKEUP.  |
|          | All internal states are maintained.   |
|          | Host interface is idle (USB is in SUSPEND).   |
| WAKEUP   | The system transition from sleep OFF states to ON.  |
|          | The high frequency clock is gated off as the oscillator is brought up and the PLL is enabled.   |
|          | WAKEUP duration is usually 2 ms.  |
| ON       | The high speed clock is operational and sent to each block enabled by the clock control register.   |
|          | Lower-level clock gating is implemented at the block level, including the CPU, which can be gated off using WAITI instructions while the system is on. No CPU, host or WLAN activities go to sleep. |

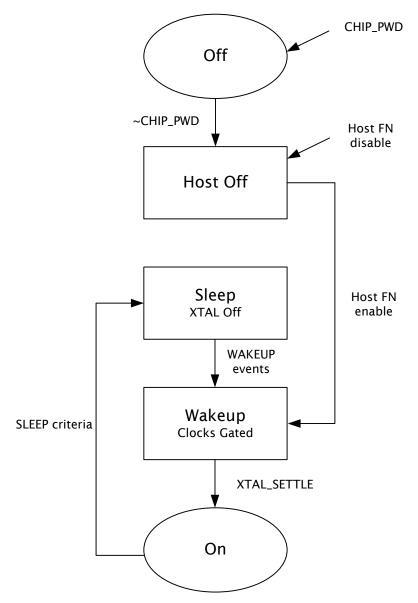


Figure 2-1 shows the power state transition diagram.

Figure 2-1 AR6004 power state

#### 2.13 System clocking (RTC block)

The AR6004 has an RTC block that controls the clocks and power going to other internal modules. Its inputs consist of sleep requests from these modules and its outputs consists of clock enable and power signals, which are used to gate the clocks going to these modules. The RTC block also manages resets going to other modules with the device. The AR6004's clocking is grouped into two types:

- High-speed
- Low-speed

#### 2.13.1 High speed clocking

The reference clock source drives the PLL and RF synthesizer within the AR6004. It can be either an external crystal or oscillator. To minimize power consumption, the reference clock source is powered off in SLEEP, HOST\_OFF, and OFF states. For an external crystal, the AR6004 disables the on-chip oscillator driver. For an external oscillator, the AR6004 de-asserts its CLK\_REQ signal to indicate that a reference clock is not needed.

When exiting SLEEP state, the AR6004 waits in WAKEUP state for a programmable duration. During this time, the CLK\_REQ signal is asserted to allow for the reference clock source to settle. The CLK\_REQ signal remains asserted in ON state.

The AR6004 supports reference clock sharing in all power states. For an external crystal, the onchip oscillator driver drives a reference clock output whenever an external clock request signal is asserted. For an external oscillator, the external clock request signal is forwarded on the CLK\_REQ signal, and the input clock is passed along to the reference clock output.

#### 2.13.2 Low-speed clocking

The AR6004 has eliminated the need for an external sleep clock source thereby reducing system cost. Instead, an internal ring oscillator is used to generate a low frequency sleep clock. It is also used to run the state machines and counters related to low power states.

The AR6004 has an internal calibration module that produces a 32.768 KHz output with minimal variation. For this, it uses the reference clock source as the golden clock. As a result, the calibration module adjusts for process and temperature variations in the ring oscillator when the system is in ON state.

The AR6004 also supports using an external low frequency sleep clock source in applications where one is already available.

#### 2.13.3 Interface clock

The host interface clock represents another clock domain for the AR6004. This clock comes from the SDIO or GSPI host and is completely independent from the other internal clocks. This clock drives the host interface logic as well as certain registers that can be accessed by the host in HOST\_OFF and SLEEP states.

#### 2.14 Front-end control

For applications that use external front-end components, the AR6004 provides the ability to control them with four antenna switch control outputs named as follows:

- ANTA
- ANTB
- ANTC
- ANTD

A programmable switch table indexed by transceiver state offers flexibility for various front-end configurations. The AR6004 supports antenna sharing with another wireless chip in all power states by using ANTD to control the shared antenna switch.

#### 2.15 MAC/BB/RF block

The AR6004 Wireless MAC consists of five major blocks:

- Host interface unit (HIU) for bridging to the AHB for bulk data accesses and APB for register accesses
- Ten queue control units (QCU) for transferring Tx data
- Ten DCF control units (DCU) for managing channel access
- Protocol control unit (PCU) for interfacing to baseband
- DMA receive unit (DRU) for transferring Rx data

#### 2.16 Baseband block

The AR6004 BB is the physical layer controller for the 802.11a/b/g/n air interface. The AR6004 BB is responsible for modulating data packets in the transmit direction, and detecting and demodulating data packets in the receive direction. It has a direct control interface to the radio to enable hardware to adjust analog gains and modes dynamically.

#### 2.17 Design for test

The AR6004 has a built-in JTAG boundary scan of its pins. It also has features that enable testing of digital blocks using ATPG scan, memories using MBIST, analog components, and the radio.

#### 2.18 Active power save

#### 2.18.1 Low-power listen

To minimize active current consumption, the AR6004 firmware will set the receiver in a low-power listen (LPL) mode, thus saving active power in between frames, when the transceiver is awaiting frames, as well as during active reception. It can be enabled in most conditions with minimal performance impact, between 1 and 2 dB. If harsh channel conditions require it, firmware will automatically revert to full power mode.

#### 2.18.2 Green Tx

To minimize active current consumption during transmission, the AR6004 utilizes Green transmitter (Tx). This feature allows the device to save power when communicating with a nearby station or access point when high-output power is not required to sustain long range. In such cases, the Tx reduces the transmit power for current saving, while maintaining its high uplink throughput.

### 3 Radio

The AR6004 transceiver consists of the following major functional blocks (see Figure 3-1):

- Receiver (Rx)
- Transmitter (Tx)
- Frequency synthesizer (SYNTH)
- Associated bias/control (BIAS)
- PMU

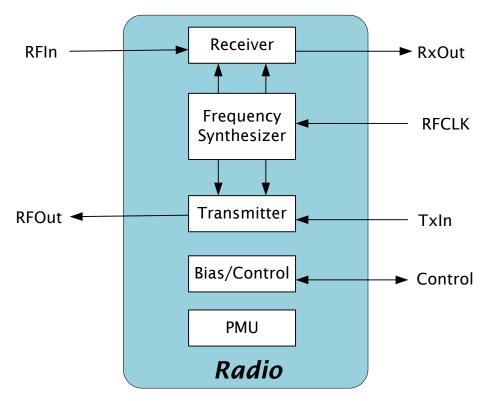


Figure 3-1 Radio functional block diagram

#### 3.1 Receiver block

The receiver converts an RF signal (with 40 MHz maximum bandwidth) to baseband I and Q outputs. The receiver is tuned to 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz for IEEE 802.11 b/g/n and 802.11a/n signals, respectively. Figure 3-2 shows the radio Tx/Rx block diagram.

**For 5 GHz operation**, the receiver is comprised of a low noise amplifier (LNA) followed by a variable gain amplifier (VGA), a radio frequency (RF) mixer, an intermediate frequency (IF) mixer, and a baseband programmable gain filter. This receiver is implemented using the sliding IF topology.

**For 2 GHz operation**, the receiver is comprised of an LNA, a direct conversion mixer, and a baseband programmable gain filter. This receiver is implemented using the direct conversion topology.

For both 5 GHz and 2 GHz paths, mixers down convert the signal to baseband in-phase (I) and quadrature-phase (Q) signals. The I and Q signals are low-pass filtered and amplified by the baseband programmable gain filter controlled by digital logic. The baseband I and Q signals are sent to the ADC. The baseband programmable gain filter is shared between the 2 GHz and 5 GHz paths.

The DC offset of the receive chain is reduced using multiple DACs controlled by the MAC/baseband block. In addition, the receive chain can be digitally powered down to conserve power.

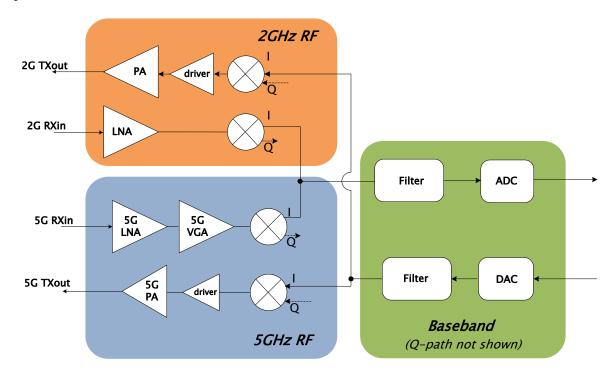


Figure 3-2 Radio Tx/Rx block diagram

#### 3.2 Tx block

The Tx converts baseband I and Q inputs to bands centered around 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz for IEEE 802.11 b/g/n and 802.11a/n signals respectively. A block diagram is shown in Figure 3-2.

The outputs of the DAC are low pass filtered through an on-chip reconstruction filter to remove spectral images and out-of-band quantization noise.

**For 5 GHz operation**, the Tx is comprised of a programmable reconstruction filter, an IF mixer, an RF mixer, a preamplifier and a PA. The IF mixer converts baseband signals to an IF. The RF mixer converts the IF signal into radio frequency signals, which are driven off chip through a preamplifier and the PA. This Tx is implemented using the sliding IF topology.

**For 2 GHz operation**, the Tx is comprised of a programmable reconstruction filter, a direct conversion mixer, a preamplifier and a PA. This Tx is implemented using the direct conversion topology.

The transmit chain can be digitally powered down to conserve power. To ensure that FCC limits are observed and that output power stays close to the maximum allowed, the transmit output power is adjusted by a digitally programmable control loop at the start of each packet. The power control can also compensate for temperature variation.

#### 3.3 Synthesizer (SYNTH) block

The radio supports an on-chip synthesizer to generate local oscillator (LO) frequencies for the receiver and Tx mixers. Figure 3-3 shows the synthesizer topology.

The synthesizer can use several crystals such as 19.2, 24, 26, 38.4, 40, and 52 MHz. For AR6004, the default crystal frequency is 26 MHz.

A reference circuitry generates a signal used as the synthesizer reference input. An on-chip voltage controlled oscillator (VCO) provides the desired LO signal based on a phase/frequency locked loop. The loop filter components are all integrated on-chip and can be digitally controlled.

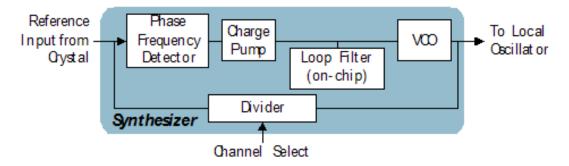


Figure 3-3 Radio synthesizer block diagram

#### 3.4 Bias/control (BIAS) block

The bias/control block provides reference voltages and currents for all other circuit blocks (see Figure 3-4). An on-chip bandgap reference circuit provides the needed voltage and current references based on a programmable chip 6.19 K $\Omega$  ± 1% resistor.

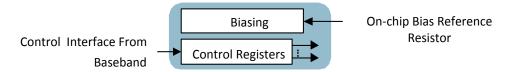


Figure 3-4 Bias/control block diagram

Figure 3-5 and Figure 3-6 show the PMU block diagrams.

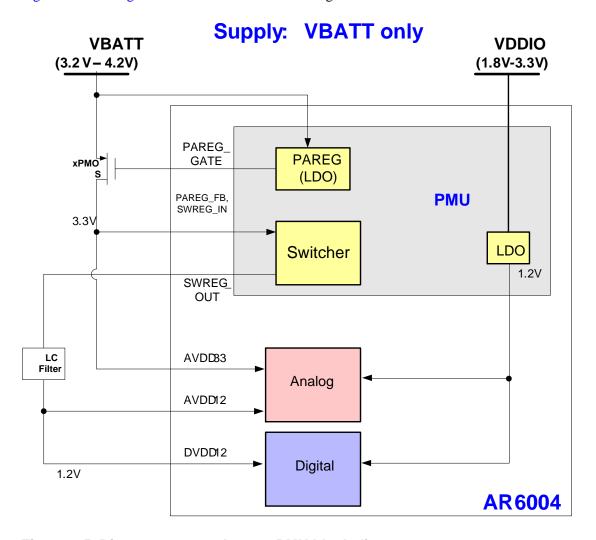


Figure 3-5 Direct connect to battery PMU block diagram

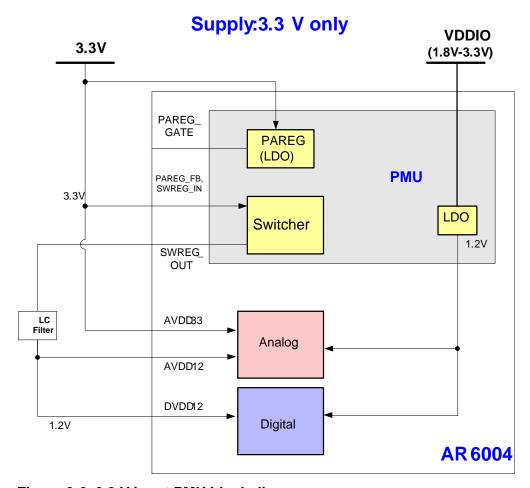


Figure 3-6 3.3 V input PMU block diagram

### 4 Electrical Characteristics

#### 4.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Table 4-1 lists the absolute maximum ratings and Table 4-2 lists the recommended operating conditions for the AR6004. Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device can occur.

Functional operation under these conditions, or at any other condition beyond those indicated in the operational sections of this document, is not recommended. Maximum rating for signals follows the supply domain of the signals.

Table 4-1 Absolute maximum ratings

| Symbol (domain) | Parameter   | Max rating   | Unit |
|-----------------|---|--------------|------|
| DVDD_GPIO1      | I/O supply for GPIO1 pins                             | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| DVDD_GPIO2      | I/O supply for GPIO2 pins                             | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| DVDD_GPIO3      | I/O supply for GPIO3 pins                             | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| DVDD_SDIO       | Host interface I/O supply                             | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_ANT       | Antenna control I/O supply                            | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_BB0/1     | 3.3 V supply for analog BBs                           | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_RF/1      | 3.3 V supply for analog RFs                           | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_SYNTH     | 3.3 V supply for analog SYNTH                         | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_PLL       | 3.3 V supply for analog PLL                           | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_USB       | 3.3 V supply for USB PHY                              | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| PAREG_FB        | External 3.3 V supply (N/A if PAREG is used)          | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VDD33_XTAL      | 3.3 V supply for XTAL                                 | -0.3 to 4.0  | V    |
| VBATTERY_42     | External 3.3 V supply (if external supplies are used) | -0.3 to 4.2  | V    |
|                 | Battery voltage input (if internal PMU is used)       |              | V    |
| VDD12_BB0/1     | 1.2 V supply for analog BBs                           | -0.3 to 1.32 | V    |

| Symbol (domain)    | Parameter   | Max rating           | Unit |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|------|
| VDD12_SYNTH        | 1.2 V supply for analog SYNTH                                   | -0.3 to 1.32         | V    |
| VDD12_RF0/1        | 1.2 V supply for analog RFs                                     | -0.3 to 1.32         | V    |
| VDD12_PLL          | 1.2 V supply for analog PLL                                     | -0.3 to 1.32         | V    |
| VDD12_USBPLL       | 1.2 V supply for USB PLL  | -0.3 to 1.32         | V    |
| DVDD12             | Digital 1.2 V supply  | -0.3 to 1.32         | V    |
| SWREG_IN           | 1.2 V switcher supply   | 3.65                 | V    |
| RFin               | Maximum RF input (reference to 50-ohm input)                    | +10                  | dBm  |
| T <sub>store</sub> | Storage temperature   | -45 to 135           | °C   |
| ESD                | Electrostatic discharge tolerance                               | 2000                 | V    |
| 3.3 V I/O VIH MAX  | Maximum digital I/O input voltage for 3.3 V I/O supply          | V <sub>dd</sub> +0.3 | V    |
| VIH MIN            | Minimum digital I/O input voltage for 1.8 V or 3.3 V I/O supply | -0.3                 | V    |

### 4.2 Recommended operating conditions

Table 4-2 lists the recommended operating conditions for the AR6004.

Table 4-2 Recommended operating conditions

| Symbol (domain)   | Parameter   | Min  | Тур | Max  | Unit |
|---|---|------|-----|------|------|
| DVDD_SDIO   | Host interface I/O supply                             | 1.71 |     | 3.46 | V    |
| DVDD_GPIO1/2/3  | GPIO I/O supplies                                     | 1.71 |     | 3.46 | V    |
| VBATTERY_42   | External 3.3 V supply (if external supplies are used) | 3.14 | 3.3 | 3.46 | V    |
|   | Battery voltage input (if internal PMU is used)       | 3.2  |     | 4.2  | V    |
| VDD33_ANT   | Antenna control I/O supply                            | 3.2  | 3.3 | 3.46 | V    |
| VDD33_BB0/1,<br>VDD33_RF0/1,<br>VDD33_SYNTH,<br>VDD33_PLL, VDD33_USB,<br>VDD33_XTAL | Analog 3.3 V supplies                                 | 3.14 | 3.3 | 3.46 | ٧    |

| Symbol (domain)   | Parameter  | Min  | Тур  | Max  | Unit |
|---|--|------|------|------|------|
| VDD12_BB0/1,<br>VDD12_SYNTH,<br>VDD12_RF0/1,<br>VDD12_PLL, VDD12_USB,<br>VDD12_USBPLL | Analog 1.2 V supplies                                    | 1.20 | 1.26 | 1.32 | >    |
| DVDD12  | Digital 1.2 V supply                                     | 1.20 | 1.26 | 1.32 | V    |
| SWERG_IN  | 1.2 V switcher supply                                    | 3.14 | 3.3  | 3.46 | V    |
| T <sub>case</sub>   | Case temperature   |      | 85   |      | °C   |
| Psi <sub>JT</sub>   | Junction to top center of the package thermal resistance |      | 2.5  |      | °C/W |
| Tambient  | Ambient temperature                                      | -40  |      | 85   | °C   |

#### 4.3 DC electrical characteristics

Table 4-3 lists the general DC electrical characteristics over recommended operating conditions (unless otherwise specified).

Table 4-3 General DC electrical characteristics (for 3.3 V I/O operation)

| Symbol          | Para                     | meter                        | Conditions  | Min                   | Тур | Max                   | Unit |
|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|------|
| VIH             | High-level input         | voltage                      |   | 0.7 x V <sub>dd</sub> |     |                       | V    |
| VIL             | Low-level input          | voltage                      |   |                       |     | 0.3 x V <sub>dd</sub> | V    |
| lıL             | Input leakage current    | Without pull-up or pull-down | 0 V < V <sub>in</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub><br>0 V < V <sub>out</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub> | 0                     |     | -3                    | nA   |
|                 |                          | With pull-up                 | 0 V < V <sub>in</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub><br>0 V < V <sub>out</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub> | 16                    |     | 48                    | μА   |
|                 |                          | With pull-down               | 0 V < V <sub>in</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub><br>0 V < V <sub>out</sub> < V <sub>dd</sub> | -14                   |     | -47                   | μА   |
| V <sub>OH</sub> | High-level outpu         | High-level output voltage    |   | 0.9 x V <sub>dd</sub> |     |                       | V    |
|                 |                          |                              | I <sub>oh</sub> = -12mA   | 0.9 x V <sub>dd</sub> |     |                       | V    |
| V <sub>OL</sub> | Low-level output voltage |                              | I <sub>oh</sub> = 4mA   |                       |     | 0.1 x V <sub>dd</sub> | V    |
|                 |                          |                              | I <sub>oh</sub> = 12mA  |                       |     | 0.1 x V <sub>dd</sub> | V    |

#### 4.4 Radio receiver characteristics

**Table 4-4** and **Table 4-6** list the AR6004 receiver characteristics.

Table 4-4 Receiver characteristics for 2.4 GHz dual chain operation

| Symbol | Parameter                     | Conditions <sup>1 2</sup> | Min   | Typ³ | Max   | Unit |
|--------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|
| Frx    | Receive input frequency range |                           | 2.412 |      | 2.484 | GHz  |
| Srf    | Sensitivity                   |                           |       |      |       |      |
|        | CCK, 1 Mb/s                   |                           |       | -99  |       | dBm  |
|        | CCK, 2 Mb/s                   |                           |       | -96  |       |      |
|        | CCK, 5.5 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -93  |       |      |
|        | CCK, 11 Mb/s                  |                           |       | -90  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 6 Mb/s                  |                           |       | -94  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 9 Mb/s                  |                           |       | -93  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 12 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -93  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 18 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -91  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 24 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -87  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 36 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -84  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 48 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -80  |       |      |
|        | OFDM, 54 Mb/s                 |                           |       | -78  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS0                    |                           |       | -94  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS1                    |                           |       | -91  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS2                    |                           |       | -89  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS3                    |                           |       | -87  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS4                    |                           |       | -85  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS5                    |                           |       | -80  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS6                    |                           |       | -79  |       |      |
|        | HT20, MCS7                    |                           |       | -77  |       |      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Using LDPC improves the sensitivity of HT rates by 1 - 2 d

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  In LPL mode, sensitivity will be degraded by 1 - 2 d

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Performance measured at the balu

| Symbol | Parameter   | Conditions <sup>1 2</sup> | Min | Typ <sup>3</sup> | Max | Unit |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|------|
|        | HT20, MCS8  |                           |     | -92              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS9  |                           |     | -89              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS10 |                           |     | -87              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS11 |                           |     | -84              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS12 |                           |     | -82              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS13 |                           |     | -77              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS14 |                           |     | -75              |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS15 |                           |     | -73              |     |      |

Table 4-5 Adjacent channel rejection for 2.4 GHz dual chain operation

| Symbol | Parameter                  | Conditions <sup>4</sup> | Min | Тур | Max | Unit |
|--------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| radj   | Adjacent channel rejection |                         |     |     |     |      |
|        | CCK, 1 Mb/s                |                         |     | 35  |     | dB   |
|        | CCK, 11 Mb/s               |                         |     | 35  |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 6 Mb/s               |                         |     | 32  |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 54 Mb/s              |                         |     | 16  |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS0                 |                         |     | 31  |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS7                 |                         |     | 14  |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS15                |                         |     | 13  |     |      |

Table 4-6 Receiver characteristics for 5 GHz dual chain operation

| Symbol          | Parameter                     | Conditions <sup>5 6 7</sup> | Min  | Тур | Max   | Unit |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|-----|-------|------|
| F <sub>rx</sub> | Receive input frequency range |                             | 4.90 |     | 5.925 | GHz  |
| S <sub>rf</sub> | Sensitivity                   |                             |      |     |       |      |
|                 | OFDM, 6 Mb/s                  |                             |      | -93 |       | dBm  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Performance measured at the balu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Using LDPC improves the sensitivity of HT rates by 1 - 2 d

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In LPL mode, sensitivity will be degrade by 1 - 2 d

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Performance measured at the balu

| Symbol | Parameter     | Conditions <sup>5 6 7</sup> | Min | Тур | Max | Unit |
|--------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
|        | OFDM, 9 Mb/s  |                             |     | -92 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 12 Mb/s |                             |     | -92 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 18 Mb/s |                             |     | -90 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 24 Mb/s |                             |     | -86 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 36 Mb/s |                             |     | -83 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 48 Mb/s |                             |     | -79 |     |      |
|        | OFDM, 54 Mb/s |                             |     | -77 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS0    |                             |     | -93 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS1    |                             |     | -90 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS2    |                             |     | -88 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS3    |                             |     | -85 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS4    |                             |     | -83 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS5    |                             |     | -78 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS6    |                             |     | -76 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS7    |                             |     | -74 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS8    |                             |     | -91 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS9    |                             |     | -88 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS10   |                             |     | -86 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS11   |                             |     | -82 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS12   |                             |     | -80 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS13   |                             |     | -73 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS14   |                             |     | -72 |     |      |
|        | HT20, MCS15   |                             |     | -71 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS0    |                             |     | -90 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS1    |                             |     | -87 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS2    |                             |     | -85 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS3    |                             |     | -82 |     |      |

| Symbol | Parameter   | Conditions <sup>5 6 7</sup> | Min | Тур | Max | Unit |
|--------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
|        | HT40, MCS4  |                             |     | -79 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS5  |                             |     | -74 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS6  |                             |     | -73 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS7  |                             |     | -70 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS8  |                             |     | -87 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS9  |                             |     | -84 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS10 |                             |     | -81 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS11 |                             |     | -78 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS12 |                             |     | -74 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS13 |                             |     | -70 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS14 |                             |     | -68 |     |      |
|        | HT40, MCS15 |                             |     | -67 |     |      |

Table 4-7 Adjacent channel rejection for 5 GHz dual chain operation

| Symbol           | Parameter                  | Conditions <sup>8</sup> | Min | Тур | Max | Unit |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| R <sub>adj</sub> | Adjacent channel rejection |                         |     |     |     |      |
|                  | OFDM, 6 Mb/s               |                         |     | 22  |     | dB   |
|                  | OFDM, 54 Mb/s              |                         |     | 9   |     |      |
|                  | HT20, MCS0                 |                         |     | 20  |     |      |
|                  | HT20, MCS7                 |                         |     | 19  |     |      |
|                  | HT20 MCS15                 |                         |     | 19  |     |      |
|                  | HT40, MCS0                 |                         |     | 18  |     |      |
|                  | HT40, MCS7                 |                         |     | 6   |     |      |
|                  | HT40, MCS15                |                         |     | 4   |     |      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Performance measured at the balu

#### 4.5 Radio Tx characteristics

**Table 4-8** and **Table 4-9** list the Tx characteristics for AR6004.

NOTE: The two chain operation will provide 3 dB higher output than a single chain operation shown in Table 4-8.

Table 4-8 Tx characteristics for 2.4 GHz per chain operation

| Symbol          | Parameter                       | Conditions | Min   | Тур  | Max   | Unit |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------|-------|------|-------|------|
| F <sub>tx</sub> | Transmit output frequency range |            | 2.412 |      | 2.484 | GHz  |
| Pout            | Output power <sup>9, 10</sup>   |            |       |      |       |      |
|                 | 11b mask compliant              | 1 Mb/s     |       | 20   |       | dBm  |
|                 | 11g mask compliant              | 6 Mb/s     |       | 20   |       |      |
|                 | 11g EVM compliant               | 54 Mb/s    |       | 18   |       |      |
|                 | 11n HT20 mask compliant         | MCS0       |       | 20   |       |      |
|                 | 11n HT20 EVM compliant          | MCS7       |       | 17   |       |      |
|                 | 11n HT20 EVM compliant          | MCS15      |       | 16   |       |      |
| Арс             | Accuracy of power control       |            |       | +1.5 |       | dB   |

**NOTE:** The two chain operation will provide 3dB higher output than a single chain operation shown in Table 4-9.

Table 4-9 Tx characteristics for 5 GHz per chain operation

| Symbol          | Parameter                       | Conditions | Min  | Тур  | Max   | Unit |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------|------|------|-------|------|
| F <sub>tx</sub> | Transmit output frequency range |            | 4.90 |      | 5.925 | GHz  |
| Pout            | Output power <sup>11</sup>      |            |      |      |       |      |
|                 | 11n HT20 mask compliant         | MCS0       |      | 18.0 |       |      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Refer to IEEE 802.11 specification for transmit spectrum limits:

<sup>- 802.11</sup>b mask (18.4.7.3)

<sup>- 802.11</sup>g mask (19.5.4)

<sup>- 802.11</sup>g EVM (17.3.9.6.3)

<sup>- 802.11</sup>n HT20 mask (20.3.21.1)

<sup>- 802.11</sup>n HT20 EVM (20.3.21.7.3)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Performance measured at the balun.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Performance measured at the balun.

| Symbol | Parameter                 | Conditions | Min | Тур  | Max | Unit |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----|------|-----|------|
|        | 11n HT40 mask compliant   | MCS0       |     | 14.0 |     | dBm  |
|        | 11a mask compliant        | 6 Mb/s     |     | 17.0 |     |      |
|        | 11a EVM compliant         | 54 Mb/s    |     | 15.0 |     |      |
|        | 11n HT20 EVM compliant    | MCS7       |     | 10.5 |     |      |
|        | 11n HT40 EVM compliant    | MCS7       |     | 10.5 |     |      |
|        | 11n HT20 EVM compliant    | MCS15      |     | 10.0 |     |      |
|        | 11n HT40 EVM compliant    | MCS15      |     | 9.0  |     |      |
| Apc    | Accuracy of power control |            |     | +2.0 |     | dB   |

#### 4.6 AR6004 synthesizer characteristics

Table 4-10 and Table 4-11 summarize the synthesizer characteristics for the AR6004.

Table 4-10 Synthesizer composite characteristics for 2.4 GHz operation

| Symbol | Parameter                      | Conditions                        | Min   | Тур              | Max   | Unit |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|------|
| Fc     | Center channel frequency       | Center frequency at 5 MHz spacing | 2.412 |                  | 2.484 | GHz  |
| Fref   | Reference oscillator frequency | +20 ppm                           |       | 26 <sup>12</sup> |       | MHz  |
| Fstep  | Frequency step size (at RF)    |                                   |       | 1                |       | MHz  |

Table 4-11 Synthesizer composite characteristics for 5 GHz operation

| Symbol            | Parameter                      | Conditions                        | Min  | Тур              | Max   | Unit |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|------------------|-------|------|
| Fc                | Center channel frequency       | Center frequency at 5 MHz spacing | 4.90 |                  | 5.925 | GHz  |
| F <sub>ref</sub>  | Reference oscillator frequency | +20 ppm                           |      | 26 <sup>13</sup> |       | MHz  |
| F <sub>step</sub> | Frequency step size (at RF)    | 13                                |      | 5                |       | MHz  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Other supported frequencies are: 19.2, 24, 26, 38.4, 40, and 52 MHz.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 5 MHz channel spacing is for the 5.725 to 5.925 GHz band.

#### 4.7 Typical power consumption performance

#### 4.7.1 Measurement conditions for SDIO low-power states

- T\_ambient = 25C
- All I/O pins except CHIP\_PWD\_L are maintained at their default polarities (I/Os without default internal pulls are pulled low) (see Table 4-12 and Table 4-13)

Table 4-12 AR6004 typical current consumption in SDIO mode – low-power states at 3.3 V operation

| Mode                                   | State    | Typical current<br>consumption, single<br>chain | Typical current<br>consumption, dual<br>chain |  |
|--|----------|---|---|--|
| Standby                                | CHIP_PWD | 7 uA  |   |  |
|  | HOST_OFF | 50  | uA  |  |
|  | SLEEP    | 250   | uA  |  |
| IEEE Power Save, 2.4 GHz <sup>14</sup> | DTIM=1   | 2.28  | 2.75 mA                                       |  |
|  | DTIM=3   | 1.02  | 1.14 mA                                       |  |
|  | DTIM=10  | 0.52  | 0.56 mA                                       |  |
| IEEE Power Save, 5 GHz <sup>15</sup>   | DTIM=1   | 1.33  | 1.43 mA                                       |  |
|  | DTIM=3   | 0.64  | 0.65 mA                                       |  |
|  | DTIM=10  | 0.40  | 0.41 mA                                       |  |

#### 4.7.2 Measurement conditions for HSIC low-power states

Table 4-13 AR6004 typical current consumption in HSIC mode – low-power states at 3.3 V operation

| Mode    | State         | Typical current Typical current consumption, single consumption, chain |  |
|---------|---------------|--|--|
| Standby | CHIP_PWD      | 7 uA   |  |
|         | SLEEP/SUSPEND | 400 uA   |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Measured on a WBGF10 reference board, using HT20 bandwidth and LP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Measured on a WBGF10 reference board, using HT20 bandwidth and LP

| Mode                                   | State   | Typical current<br>consumption, single<br>chain | Typical current<br>consumption, dual<br>chain |
|--|---------|---|---|
| IEEE Power Save, 2.4 GHz <sup>16</sup> | DTIM=1  | 3.41  | 3.82 mA                                       |
|  | DTIM=3  | 1.46  | 1.59 mA                                       |
|  | DTIM=10 | 0.77  | 0.81 mA                                       |
| IEEE Power Save, 5 GHz <sup>17</sup>   | DTIM=1  | 1.68  | 1.78 mA                                       |
|  | DTIM=3  | 0.88  | 0.91 mA                                       |
|  | DTIM=5  | 0.60  | 0.61 mA                                       |

## 4.7.3 Measurement conditions for continuous receive [2.4 GHz operation]

Table 4-14 AR6004 typical current consumption [2.4 GHz operation] – continuous receive at 3.3 V operation

| Mode/rate [Mb/s] | Average current consumption at 3.3 V, mA, single chain <sup>18</sup> | Average current consumption at 3.3 V, mA, dual chain <sup>19</sup> |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                  | Chain 1  | Chain 1 & 2  |  |  |
| RX 1 Mb/s        | 65   | 77   |  |  |
| RX 11 Mb/s       | 66   | 77   |  |  |
| RX 54 Mb/s       | 69   | 81   |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS0     | 67   | 74   |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS7     | 69   | 83   |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS15    | -  | 88   |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS0     | 79   | 100  |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS7     | 81   | 103  |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS15    | -  | 110  |  |  |

■  $T_ambient = 25C$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Measured on a WBGF10 reference board, using HT20 bandwidth, LPL, and the interface suspended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Measured on a WBGF10 reference board, using HT20 bandwidth, LPL, and the interface suspended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Using LPL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Using SDIO, in HSIC mode consumption will be 15 mA higher

## 4.7.4 Measurement conditions for continuous transmit [2.4 GHz operation]

Table 4-15 AR6004 typical current consumption [2.4 GHz operation] – continuous transmit at 3.3 V operation

| Rate         | dBm per chain | Typical current consumption single chain mA | Typical current consumption dual chain <sup>20</sup> mA |  |
|--------------|---------------|---|---|--|
| Tx 1 Mb/s    | 19.0          | 236   | 424   |  |
| Tx 11 Mb/s   | 19.0          | 237   | 424   |  |
| Tx 54 Mb/s   | 18.0          | 233   | 415   |  |
| Tx HT20 MCS0 | 20.0          | 249   | 450   |  |
| Tx HT20 MCS7 | 17.0          | 229   | 400   |  |

 $\blacksquare$  T ambient = 25C

## 4.7.5 Measurement conditions for continuous receive [5 GHz operation]

Table 4-16 AR6004 typical current consumption [5 GHz operation] – continuous receive at 3.3 V operation

| Mode/rate [Mb/s] | Typical current at 3.3 V. mA, single chain <sup>21</sup> | Typical current at 3.3 V. mA, dual chain <sup>22</sup> 23 |  |  |
|------------------|--|---|--|--|
|                  | Chain 1  | Chain 1 & 2   |  |  |
| RX 54 Mb/s       | 75   | 82  |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS0     | 79   | 87  |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS7     | 81   | 89  |  |  |
| RX HT20 MCS15    | -  | 91  |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS0     | 91   | 105   |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS7     | 93   | 107   |  |  |
| RX HT40 MCS15    | -  | 115   |  |  |

■  $T_ambient = 25C$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Using SDIO, in HSIC mode consumption will be 15 mA higher

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Using LP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Using SDIO, in HSIC mode consumption will be 15 mA high

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Measured using AR6004 TCMD tool build 2024

## 4.7.6 Measurement conditions for continuous transmit [5 GHz operation]

Table 4-17 AR6004 typical current consumption [5 GHz operation] – continuous transmit at 3.3 V operation per chain

| Mode/rate [Mb/s] | Target output power per<br>chain [dBm] | Typical current<br>consumption at 3.3 V,<br>[mA], single chain | Typical current consumption at 3.3 V, [mA], dual chain <sup>24</sup> |  |
|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| OFDM, 6 Mb/s     | 17.0                                   | 304  | 547  |  |
| OFDM 54 Mb/s     | 15.0                                   | 298  | 538  |  |
| HT20, MCS0       | 18.0                                   | 311  | 562  |  |
| HT20, MCS7       | 10.5                                   | 272  | 490  |  |
| HT40, MCS0       | 14.0                                   | 300  | 532  |  |
| HT40, MCS7       | 10.5                                   | 273  | 489  |  |

■ T\_ambient = 25C

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Using SDIO, in HSIC mode consumption will be 15 mA higher

## **5** AC Specifications

## 5.1 External 19.2/24/26/38.4/40/52 MHz reference input clock timing

Figure 5-1 and Table 5-1 show the external 19.2/24/26/38.4/40/52 MHz reference input clock timing requirements.

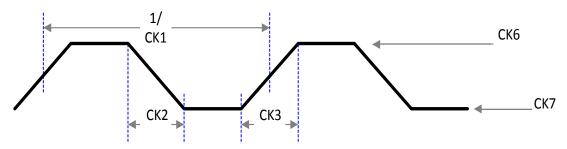


Figure 5-1 External 19.2/24/26/38.4/40/52 MHz

Table 5-1 External 19.2/24/26/38.4/40/52 MHz reference input clock timing

| Symbol | Description                    | Min   | Тур | Мах          | Unit |
|--------|--------------------------------|-------|-----|--------------|------|
| CK2    | Fall time                      | -     | -   | 0.1 x period | ns   |
| СКЗ    | Rise time                      | -     | -   | 0.1 x period | ns   |
| CK4    | Duty cycle (high-to-low ratio) | 40    | -   | 60           | %    |
| CK5    | Frequency stability            | -20   | -   | 20           | ppm  |
| CK6    | Input high voltage             | 0.75  |     | 1.26         | V    |
| CK7    | Input low voltage              | -0.55 |     | 0.3          | V    |

### 5.2 SDIO/GSPI interface timing

Figure 5-2 shows the SDIO timing. Figure 5-3 shows the write timing for GSPI style transactions.

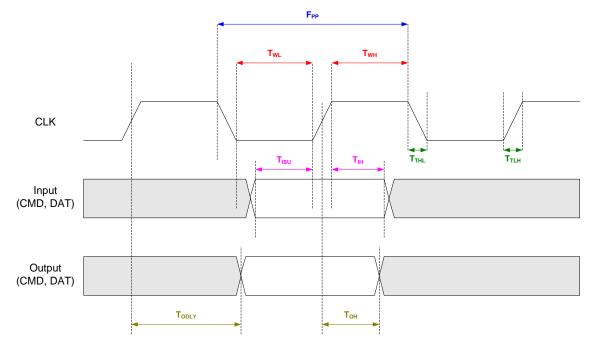


Figure 5-2 SDIO 2.0 timing

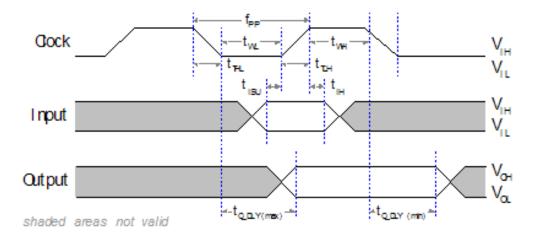


Figure 5-3 GSPI timing

Table 5-2 lists the values for timing constraints for SDIO.

Table 5-2 SDIO timing constraints

| Parameter | Description                        | Min | Max | Unit | Note                   |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-----|-----|------|------------------------|
| fpp       | Clock frequency data transfer mode | 0   | 50  | MHz  | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |
| twL       | Clock low time                     | 7   | 1   | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |

| Parameter        | Description                                 |     | Max | Unit | Note                   |
|------------------|---|-----|-----|------|------------------------|
| twн              | Clock high time                             | 7   | -   | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |
| tтьн             | Clock rise time                             |     | 10  | ns   | $40~pF \geq C_L$       |
| t⊤н∟             | Clock fall time                             | -   | 10  | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |
| t <sub>ISU</sub> | Input setup time                            |     | -   | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |
| t <sub>IH</sub>  | Input hold time                             | 2   | -   | ns   | $40 \ pF \geq C_L$     |
| tон              | Output hold time                            | 2.5 | -   | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |
| to_DLY (min)     | Output delay time during data transfer mode | 0   | 14  | ns   | 40 pF ≥ C <sub>L</sub> |

Table 5-3 lists the values for timing constraints for GSPI.

Table 5-3 GSPI timing constraints

| Parameter       | Description      | Min | Max | Unit |
|-----------------|------------------|-----|-----|------|
| f <sub>PP</sub> | Clock frequency  | 0   | 48  | MHz  |
| twL             | Clock low time   | 8.3 | -   | ns   |
| twн             | Clock high time  | 8.3 | -   | ns   |
| tтьн            | Clock rise time  | -   | 2   | ns   |
| tтн∟            | Clock fall time  | -   | 2   | ns   |
| tısu            | Input setup time | 5   | -   | ns   |
| tıн             | Input hold time  | 5   | -   | ns   |
| to_dly          | Output delay     | 0   | 5   | ns   |

## 6 Pin Descriptions

This section contains a listing of the signal descriptions (see Table 6-1 for the BGA package pin outs).

Table 6-1 lists the nomenclature used for signal names.

Table 6-1 Nomenclature for signal names

| Term | Description   |  |  |  |  |
|------|---|--|--|--|--|
| NC   | No connection should be made to this pin  |  |  |  |  |
| _L   | At the end of the signal name, indicates active low signals                         |  |  |  |  |
| Р    | At the end of the signal name, indicates the positive side of a differential signal |  |  |  |  |
| N    | At the end of the signal name indicates the negative side of a differential signal  |  |  |  |  |

Table 6-2 lists the nomenclature used for signal types.

Table 6-2 Nomenclature for signal types

| Term | Description                  |
|------|------------------------------|
| IA   | Analog input signal          |
| I    | Digital input signal         |
| Ю    | Digital bidirectional signal |
| OA   | An analog output signal      |
| 0    | A digital output signal      |
| Р    | A power or ground signal     |

| AR6004 | 1          | 2          | 3          | 4             | 5               | 6       | 7         | 8          | 9         | 10          | 11          | 12        | 13        | 14          |
|--------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| A      | NC         | GPI0_15    | ANTD       | ANTB          | RFIN2P0         | RFIN2N0 | RFIN5N0   | RFIN5P0    | RF2OUTN0  | RF2OUTP0    | RF5OUTN0    | RF50UTP0  | XPABIAS20 | NC          |
| В      | GPI0_13    | GPI0_14    | VDD33_ANT  | ANTC          | ANTA            | GND     | GND       | GND        | GND       | GND         | GND         | XPABIAS50 | XPABIAS51 | RFIN2P1     |
| С      | GPI0_11    | GPI0_12    |            |               |                 |         |           |            |           |             |             |           | XPABIAS21 | RFIN2N1     |
| D      | GPIO_9     | GPI0_10    |            | DVDD_GPI01    | GND             | GND     | VDD12_BB0 |            | VDD12_RF0 | VDD33_RF0   | /DD33_SYNTH | Н         | GND       | RFIN5N1     |
| E      | GPIO_7     | GPIO_8     |            |               | GND             | GND     | GND       | GND        |           | VDD12_SYNTH | VDD33_RF1   |           | GND       | RFIN5P1     |
| F      | GPIO_5     | GPIO_6     |            | GND           | GND             | GND     | GND       | GND        | GND       | VDD12_RF1   | VDD33_PLL   |           | GND       | RF2OUTN1    |
| G      | GPIO_3     | GPIO_4     |            | SREG_OUT      | GND             | GND     | GND       | GND        | VDD12_BB1 |             | VDD12_PLL   |           | GND       | RF2OUTP1    |
| н      | GPIO_1     | GPIO_2     |            | DVDD_SDIO     | GND             | GND     | GND       | GND        | GND       | GND         | GND         |           | GND       | RF50UTN1    |
| J      | CHIP_PVD_L | . GPIO_0   |            |               | GND             | GND     | GND       | GND        | GND       | GND         | GND         |           | GND       | RF50UTP1    |
| K      | DVDD12     | DVDD12     |            | SVREG_GND     | SVREG_GND       | GND     | GND       | GND        | GND       | GND         | GND         |           | GND       | VDD33_XTAL  |
| L      | SWREG_OUT  | SWREG_OUT  |            | SVREG_GND     | SVREG_GND       | GND     | GND       | DVDD_GPI03 | GND       | GND         | DVDD_GPI02  |           | GND       | XTALI       |
| м      | SVREG_IN   | SVREG_IN   |            |               |                 |         |           |            |           |             |             |           | GND       | XTALO       |
| N      | SVREG_IN   | PAREG_FB   | VDD33_USB  | VDD12_USB     | /DD12_USBPL     | DVDD12  | GPIO_49   | GPIO_47    | GPI0_45   | GPI0_43     | GPIO_41     | GPI0_38   | GPI0_35   | EXT_CLK_OUT |
| Р      | NC         | PAREG_GATI | VBATT_VDD3 | HSIC_<br>DATA | HSIC_ST<br>ROBE | DVDD12  | GPIO_50   | GPIO_46    | GPI0_44   | GPI0_42     | GPI0_40     | GPI0_37   | GPI0_36   | NC          |

Figure 6-1 BGA package pinout

Table 6-3 lists the signal and pin descriptions.

Table 6-3 Signal to pin mapping

| Pin no.          | Name       | Туре        | I/O level   | Description                             |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| K1, K2, N6, P6   | DVDD12     | Supply1.2V  | 1.26 V      | Core 1.2 V supply                       |
| L8               | DVDD_GPIO3 | I/O Supply  | 1.8 - 3.6 V | I/O supply for GPIOs 44 - 47, 49-<br>50 |
| L11              | DVDD_GPIO2 | I/O Supply  | 1.8 - 3.6 V | I/O supply for GPIOs 35 - 38, 40 - 43   |
| D4               | DVDD_GPIO1 | I/O Supply  | 1.8 - 3.6 V | I/O supply for GPIOs 12 - 15            |
| H4               | DVDD_SDIO  | I/O Supply  | 1.8 - 3.6 V | I/O supply for GPIOs 0 - 11             |
| A1, A14, P1, P14 | NC         | NC          | -           | Not connected                           |
| P7               | GPIO50     | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3  | GPIOs                                   |
| N7               | GPIO49     | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3  |   |

| Pin no. | Name   | Туре        | I/O level  | Description   |
|---------|--------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| N8      | GPIO47 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3 |               |
| P8      | GPIO46 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3 |               |
| N9      | GPIO45 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3 |               |
| P9      | GPIO44 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO3 |               |
| N10     | GPIO43 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| P10     | GPIO42 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| N11     | GPIO41 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| P11     | GPIO40 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| N12     | GPIO38 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| P12     | GPIO37 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| P13     | GPIO36 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| N13     | GPIO35 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO2 |               |
| A2      | GPIO15 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO1 |               |
| B2      | GPIO14 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO1 |               |
| B1      | GPIO13 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO1 |               |
| C2      | GPIO12 | Digital I/O | DVDD_GPIO1 |               |
| C1      | GPIO11 | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| D2      | GPIO10 | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| D1      | GPIO9  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| E2      | GPIO8  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| E1      | GPIO7  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| F2      | GPIO6  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  |               |
| F1      | GPIO5  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  | SDIO_CLK/GPIO |
| G2      | GPIO4  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  | SDIO_D0/GPIO  |
| G1      | GPIO3  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  | SDIO_D1/GPIO  |
| H2      | GPIO2  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  | SDIO_D2/GPIO  |
| H1      | GPIO1  | Digital I/O | DVDD_SDIO  | SDIO_D3/GPIO  |

| Pin no.        | Name        | Туре          | I/O level | Description   |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---|
| J2             | GPIO0       | Digital I/O   | DVDD_SDIO | SDIO_CMD/GPIO   |
| J1             | CHIP_PWD_L  | Digital Input | DVDD_SDIO | Reset signal to power down the AR6004 (Active low)  |
| P4             | HSIC_DATA   | IOA           |           | HSIC data   |
| P5             | HSIC_STROBE | IOA           |           | HSIC strobe   |
| L1, L2         | SWREG_OUT   | -             | -         | Connect an LC filter: L in series with (L1, L2) and (K1, K2) C in parallel with (K1, K2) to SWREG_GND |
| M1, M2, N1     | SWREG_IN    | 3.3 V Input   | -         | Connect to 3.3 V supply   |
| K4, K5, L5, L4 | SWREG_GND   | GND           | GND       | Switching regulator ground  |
| N2             | PAREG_FB    | I             | 3.3 V     | PAREG feedback input  |
| P2             | PAREG_GATE  | 0             | 3.3 V     | PAREG gate control output   |
| G4             | SREG_OUT    | 0             | 1.2 V     | Connect to external 470pF capacitor   |
| A3             | ANTD        | 0             | 3.3 V     | Control signal for RF front end   |
| B4             | ANTC        | 0             | 3.3 V     | Control signal for RF front end   |
| A4             | ANTB        | 0             | 3.3 V     | Control signal for RF front end   |
| B5             | ANTA        | 0             | 3.3 V     | Control signal for RF front end   |
| В3             | VDD33_ANT   | I             | 3.3 V     | I/O supply for RF front end controls  |
| N3             | VDD33_USB   | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for USB PHY  |
| E11            | VDD33_RF1   | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for chain 1 PA   |
| D10            | VDD33_RF0   | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for chain 0 PA   |
| F11            | VDD33_PLL   | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for internal PLL   |
| D11            | VDD33_SYNTH | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for internal synthesizer   |
| K14            | VDD33_XTAL  | I             | 3.3 V     | 3.3 V supply for internal oscillator  |
| N4             | VDD12_USB   | I             | 1.2 V     | 1.2 V supply for USB PHY  |
| N5             | VDD12_USBPL | I             | 1.2 V     | 1.2 V supply for USB PLL  |

| Pin no. | Name        | Туре | I/O level     | Description  |  |
|---------|-------------|------|---------------|--|--|
| E10     | VDD12_SYNTH | 1    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for internal synthesizer                                |  |
| F10     | VDD12_RFI   | I    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for chain 1 PA  |  |
| D9      | VDD12_RF0   | I    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for chain 0 PA  |  |
| G9      | VDD12_BB1   | I    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for analog baseband                                     |  |
| D7      | VDD12_BB0   | I    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for analog baseband                                     |  |
| G11     | VDD12_PLL   | I    | 1.2 V         | 1.2 V supply for internal PLL  |  |
| P3      | VBATT_VDD33 | I    | 2.8 V - 4.2 V | Battery input  |  |
| N14     | EXT_CLK_OUT | 0    | 1.2 V         | Reference clock output to external chip                              |  |
| M14     | XTALO       |      |               | Reference crystal interface signal or external reference clock input |  |
| L14     | XTALI       |      |               | Reference clock interface signal                                     |  |
| A5      | RFIN2P0     | IA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF input   |  |
| A6      | RFIN2N0     | IA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF input   |  |
| A7      | RFIN5N0     | IA   |               | 5 GHz RF input   |  |
| A8      | RFIN5P0     | IA   |               | 5 GHz RF input   |  |
| A9      | RF2OUTN0    | OA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF output  |  |
| A10     | RF2OUTP0    | OA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF output  |  |
| A11     | RF5OUTN0    | OA   |               | 5 GHz RF output  |  |
| A12     | RF5OUTP0    | OA   |               | 5 GHz RF output  |  |
| B14     | RFIN2P1     | IA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF input   |  |
| C14     | RFIN2N1     | IA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF input   |  |
| D14     | RFIN5N1     | IA   |               | 5 GHz RF input   |  |
| E14     | RFIN5P1     | IA   |               | 5 GHz RF input   |  |
| F14     | RF2OUTN1    | OA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF output  |  |
| G14     | RF2OUTP1    | OA   |               | 2.4 GHz RF output  |  |
| H14     | RF5OUTN1    | OA   |               | 5 GHz RF output  |  |

| Pin no.   | Name        | Туре | I/O level | Description   |
|---|-------------|------|-----------|---|
| J14   | RF5OUTP1    | OA   |           | 5 GHz RF output                                       |
| P4  | HSIC_DATA   | IOA  |           | HSIC data   |
| P5  | HSIC_STROBE | IOA  |           | HSIC strobe   |
| A13   | XPABIAS20   | OA   |           | Bias voltage for first optional 2.4 GHz external PA   |
| B12   | XPABIAS50   | OA   |           | Bias voltage for first optional 5 GHz external PA.    |
| C13   | XPABIAS21   | OA   |           | Bias voltage for second optional 2.4 GHz external PA. |
| B13   | XPABIAS51   | OA   |           | Bias voltage for second optional 5 GHz external PA.   |
| B6, B7, B8, B9,<br>B10, B11, D5, D6,<br>D13, E5, E6, E7,<br>E8, E13, F4, F5,<br>F6, F7, F8, F9,<br>F13, G5, G6, G7,<br>G8, G13, H5, H6,<br>H7, H8, H9, H10,<br>H11, H13, J5, J6,<br>J7, J8, J9, J10,<br>J11, J13, K6, K7,<br>K8, K9, K10, K11,<br>K13, L6, L7, L9,<br>L10, L13, M13 | GND         | •    | -         | Analog/Digital ground                                 |

### 7 Package Dimensions

### 7.1 BGA dimensions

The BGA drawing and measurements are provided in Figure 7-1. Also see Table 7-1 for BGA dimensions.

- 6 x6 mm, 0.4 mm pitch BGA-155, or
- 0.2 mm pitch WLCSP package information available separately

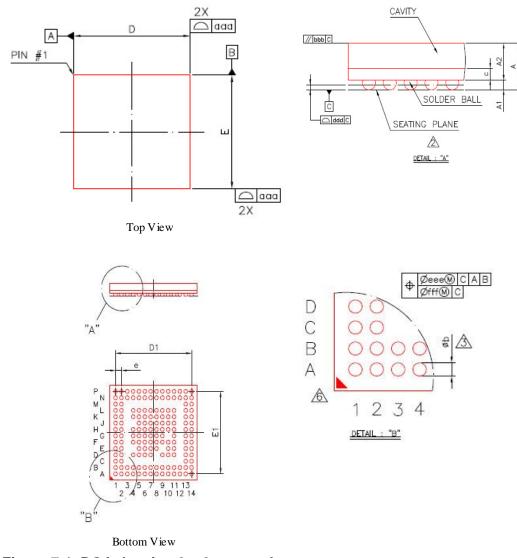


Figure 7-1 BGA drawing 6 x 6 mm package

Table 7-1 BGA dimensions

| Dimension label | Min        | Nom  | Max  | Unit | Min   | Nom   | Max   | Unit   |
|-----------------|------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| А               |            |      | 1.00 | mm   |       |       | 0.039 | inches |
| A1              | 0.13       | 0.18 | 0.23 | mm   | 0.005 | 0.007 | 0.009 | inches |
| A2              | 0.61       | 0.66 | 0.71 | mm   | 0.024 | 0.026 | 0.028 | inches |
| С               | 0.17       | 0.21 | 0.25 | mm   | 0.007 | 0.008 | 0.010 | inches |
| D               | 5.90       | 6.00 | 6.10 | mm   | 0.232 | 0.236 | 0.240 | inches |
| Е               | 5.90       | 6.00 | 6.10 | mm   | 0.232 | 0.236 | 0.240 | inches |
| D1              |            | 5.20 |      | mm   |       | 0.205 |       | inches |
| E1              |            | 5.20 |      | mm   |       | 0.205 |       | inches |
| е               |            | 0.40 |      | mm   |       | 0.016 |       | inches |
| b               | 0.20       | 0.25 | 0.30 | mm   | 0.008 | 0.010 | 0.012 | inches |
| aaa             | 0.10       | •    | •    | mm   | 0.004 |       |       | inches |
| bbb             | 0.10       |      |      | mm   | 0.004 |       |       | inches |
| ddd             | 0.08       |      |      | mm   | 0.003 |       |       | inches |
| eee             | 0.15       |      |      | mm   | 0.006 |       |       | inches |
| fff             | 0.05       |      |      | mm   | 0.002 |       |       | inches |
| MD/ME           | )/ME 14/14 |      |      | mm   | 14/14 |       |       | inches |

#### Notes:

- 1. Controlling dimension: Millimeters.
- 2. Minimum clearance of 0.25 mm between edge of solder ball and body edge.

### 8 Ordering Information

The AR6004 may be ordered as follows:

- AR6004G-AC3D (2.4 GHz, BGA)
- AR6004G-AC3D-R (2.4 GHz, BGA, T&R)
- QCA6018G-AF1D-R (2.4 GHz, CSP, T&R)
- AR6004X-AC3D (5 GHz, BGA)
- AR6004X-AC3D-R (5 GHz, BGA, T&R)
- QCA6018X-AF1D-R (5 GHz, CSP, T&R)
- AR6004G-BC3D (2.4 GHz, BGA)
- AR6004G-BC3D-R (2.4 GHz, BGA, T&R)
- QCA6018G-BF1D-R (2.4 GHz, CSP, T&R)
- AR6004X-BC3D (5 GHz, BGA)
- AR6004X-BC3D-R (5 GHz, BGA, T&R)
- QCA6018X-BF1D-R (5 GHz, CSP, T&R)

# A Terms and Acronyms

Table A-1 Acronyms, abbreviations, and terms

| Term | Definition                      |  |  |  |
|------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| AES  | Advanced encryption standard    |  |  |  |
| AHB  | Advanced high-performance bus   |  |  |  |
| ВВ   | Baseband module                 |  |  |  |
| BGA  | Ball grid arrays                |  |  |  |
| BT   | Bluetooth                       |  |  |  |
| DAC  | Digital to analog converters    |  |  |  |
| DCU  | DCF control unit                |  |  |  |
| DRU  | DMA receive unit                |  |  |  |
| EPA  | Efficient power amplifier       |  |  |  |
| HIU  | Host interface unit             |  |  |  |
| HLS  | Hybrid location system          |  |  |  |
| IF   | Intermediate frequency          |  |  |  |
| LDPC | Low-density parity check        |  |  |  |
| LNA  | Low-noise amplifier             |  |  |  |
| LO   | Local oscillator                |  |  |  |
| LPL  | Low-power listen                |  |  |  |
| ML   | Maximum likelihood              |  |  |  |
| MRC  | Maximum ratio combining         |  |  |  |
| PCU  | Protocol control unit           |  |  |  |
| PIF  | Peripheral interface            |  |  |  |
| PMU  | Power management unit           |  |  |  |
| PTA  | Packet traffic arbitration      |  |  |  |
| PWM  | Pulse-width modulation          |  |  |  |
| QCU  | Queue control unit              |  |  |  |
| RF   | Radio frequency                 |  |  |  |
| RIFS | Reduced inter-frame spacing     |  |  |  |
| RTC  | Real time clock                 |  |  |  |
| RTT  | Round trip time                 |  |  |  |
| Rx   | Receiver                        |  |  |  |
| SI   | Serial interface                |  |  |  |
| STBC | Space time block coding         |  |  |  |
| TKIP | Temporal key integrity protocol |  |  |  |
| Тх   | Transmitter                     |  |  |  |

| Term  | Definition                                     |
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| TxBF  | Transmit beamforming                           |
| UART  | Universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter    |
| VCO   | Voltage controlled oscillator                  |
| VGA   | Variable gain amplifier                        |
| WAPI  | WLAN authentication and privacy infrastructure |
| WEP   | Wired equivalent privacy                       |
| WLCSP | Wafer level chip scale packages                |
| WMM   | Wi-Fi multimedia                               |

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