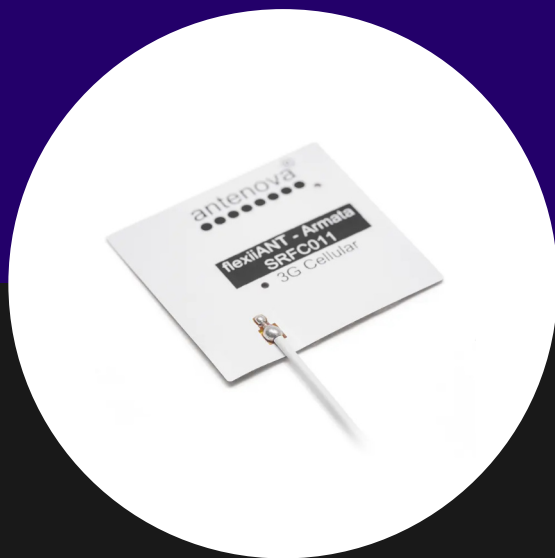


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Armata

SRFC011 • flexiiANT®



Features

- Antenna for 3G applications including MIMO systems.
- GSM850, GSM900, DCS1800, PCS1900, WCDMA2100
- Small form factor, only 30.0 x 28.5mm
- 1.13mm diameter RF cable with I-PEX MHF connector
- Self-adhesive mounted
- Quick and simple integration minimizes design cycle
- 100mm cable – (other lengths available, MOQs apply)
- Suited to smaller devices such as OBDII

1. Description

Armata is intended for use with 3G applications. It is suitable for small devices with limited space. Designed to work with small host PCB's while still maintaining full coverage of the 3G bands. This product specification shows the performance of the antenna to cover a typical penta-band reception: GSM850/900/1800/1900 and WCDMA.

2. Applications

- OBDII units
- Femto / Pico base stations
- Small Tracker devices
- Remote monitoring
- Machine to Machine communication

3. Part number

SRFC011 - 100



Part number	Cable length
SRFC011-100	100mm

4. General data

Frequency	824-960MHz; 1710-2170MHz
Polarization	Linear
Operating temperature	-40°C to 85°C
Environmental condition test	ISO16750-4 5.1.1 /5.1.2
Impedance with matching	50 Ω
Weight	< 0.5 g
Antenna type	FPC Self-adhesive 3M 468P
Dimensions (antenna)	30 x 28.5 x 0.15 (mm)
Connection	I-PEX MHF1 (20278-112R-13)

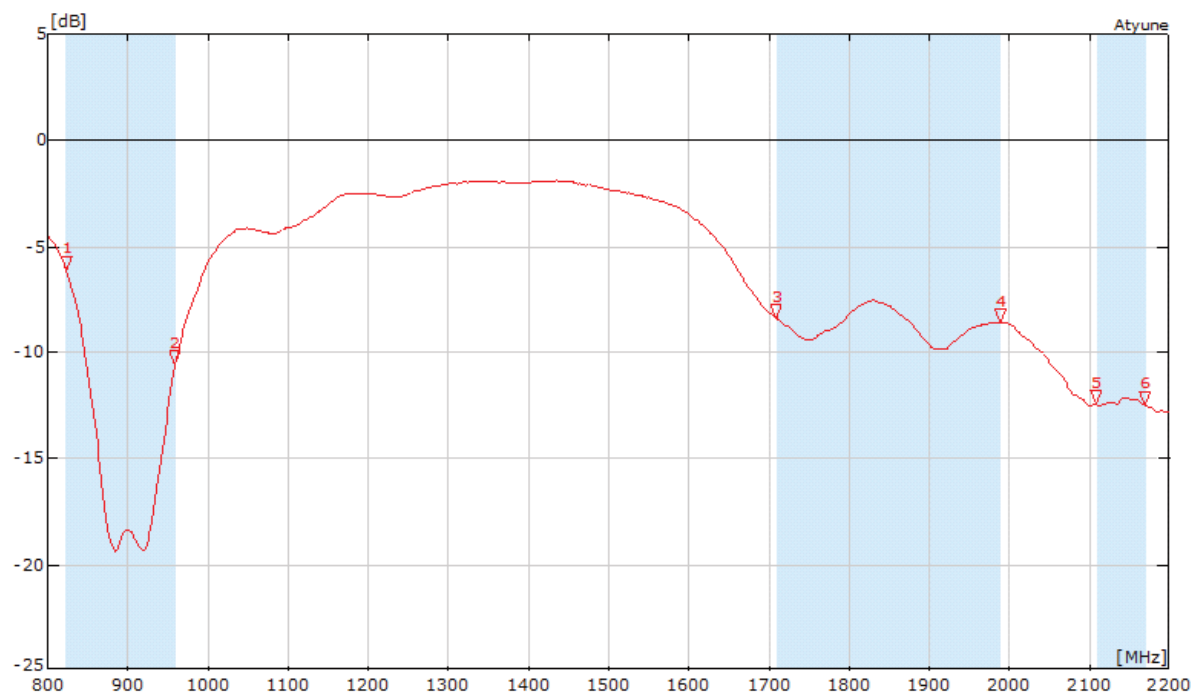
5. RF characteristics

Frequency	824 – 960 MHz	1710 – 1990 MHz	2110 – 2170 MHz
Peak gain	2.46dBi	4.06dBi	3.89dBi
Average gain	-3.79dBi	-2.59dBi	-2.21dBi
Average efficiency	>40%	>55%	>60%
Maximum return loss	-6.0dB	-8.0dB	-12.0dB
Maximum VSWR	2.90:1	2.20:1	1.60:1

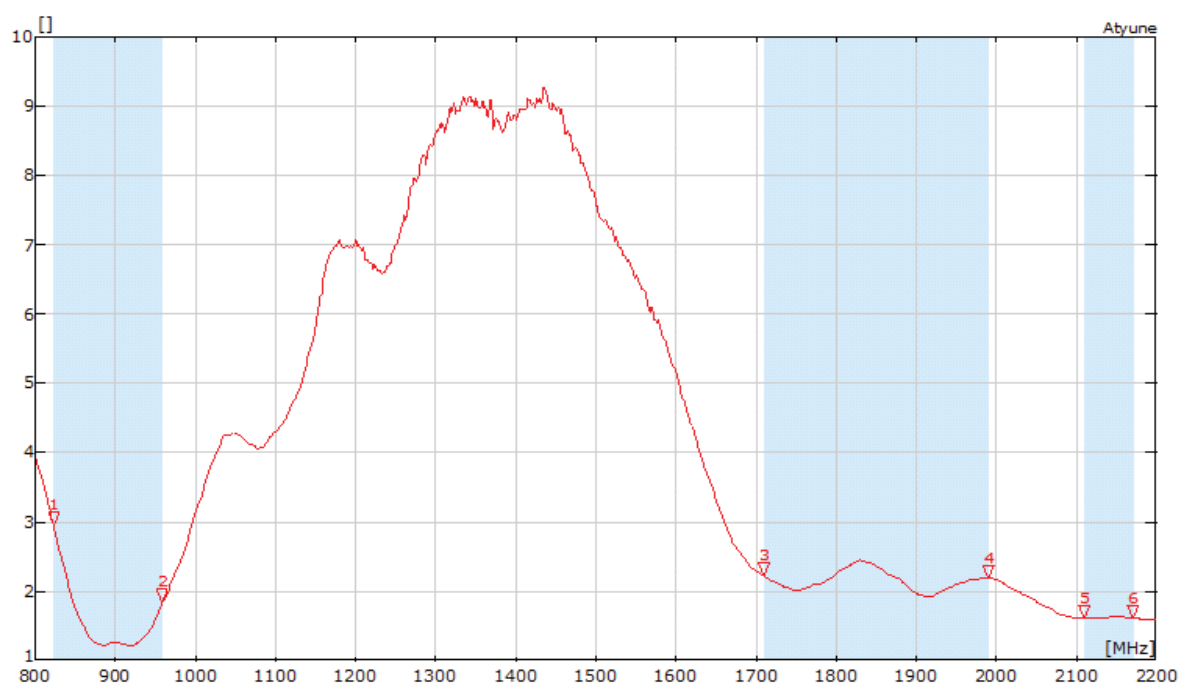
All data measured in a loaded condition adhered to a plastic carrier free space.

6. RF performance

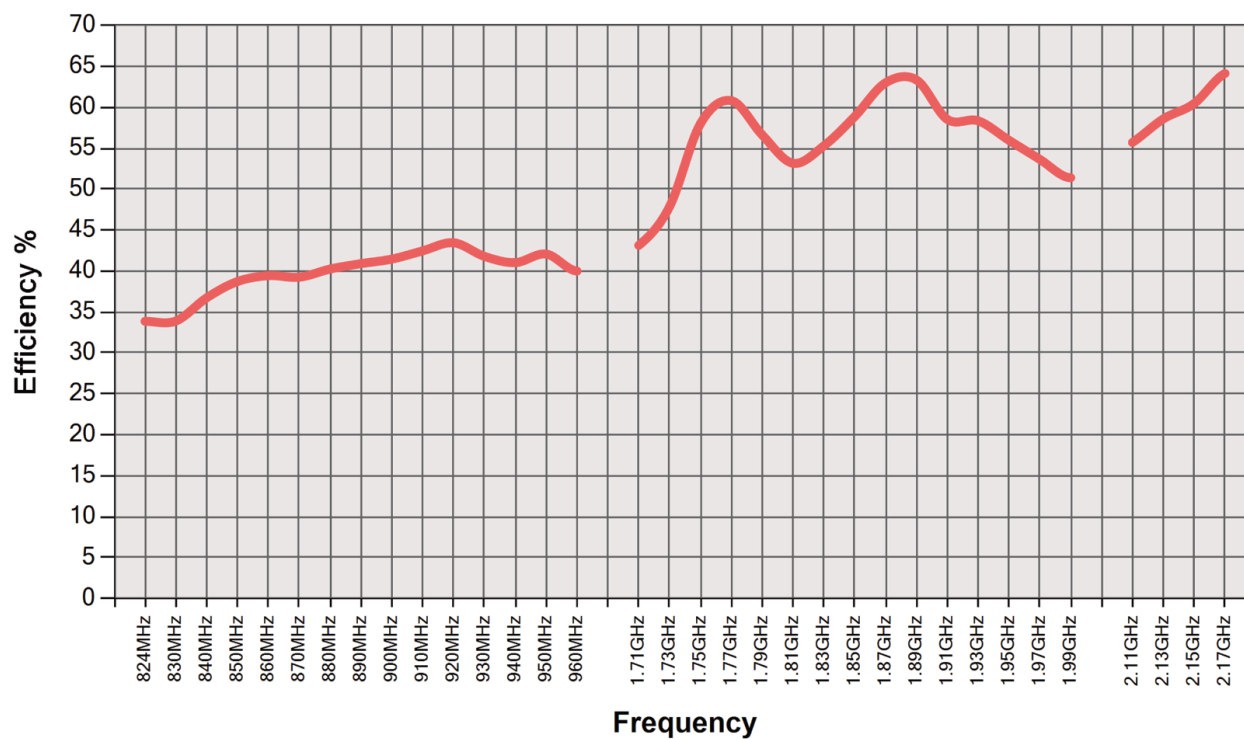
6.1. Return loss



6.2. VSWR



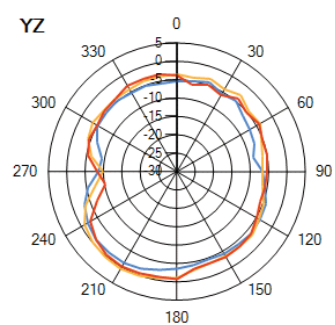
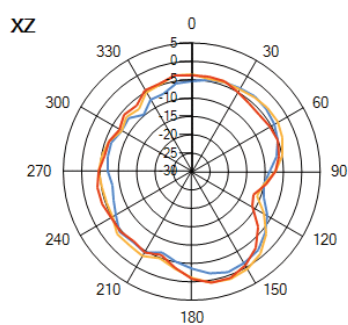
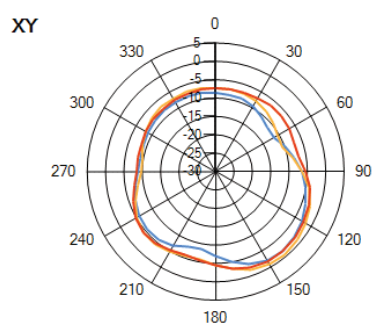
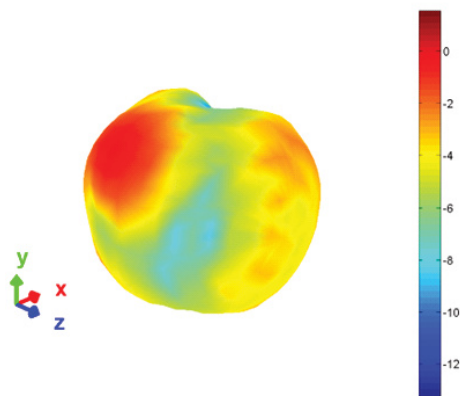
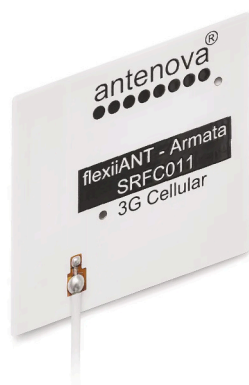
6.3. Efficiency



6.4 Antenna patterns

6.4.1. 824 MHz – 960 MHz

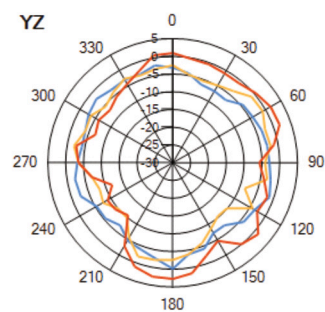
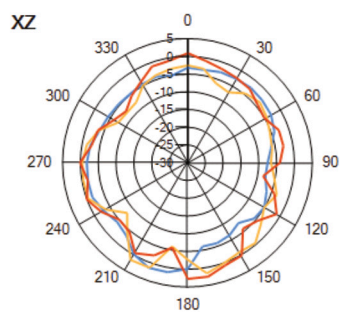
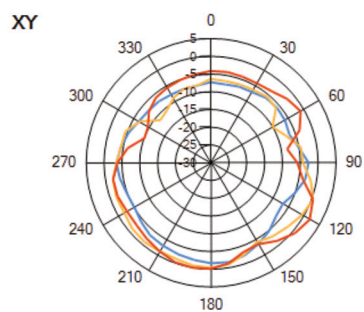
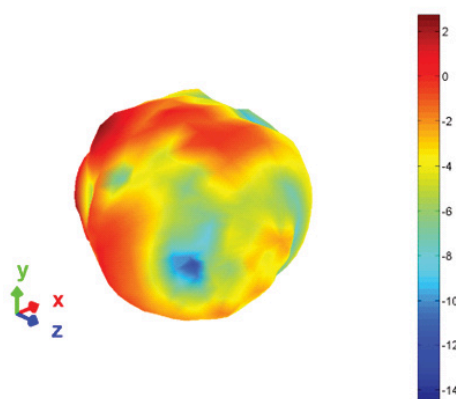
3D pattern at 890MHz



— 824MHz — 890MHz — 960MHz

6.4.2. 1710 MHz – 2170 MHz

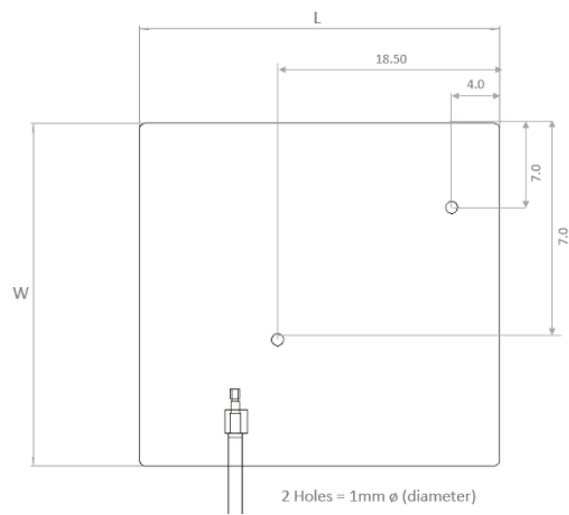
3D pattern at 1950MHz



— 1.71GHz — 1.95GHz — 2.17GHz

7. Antenna dimensions

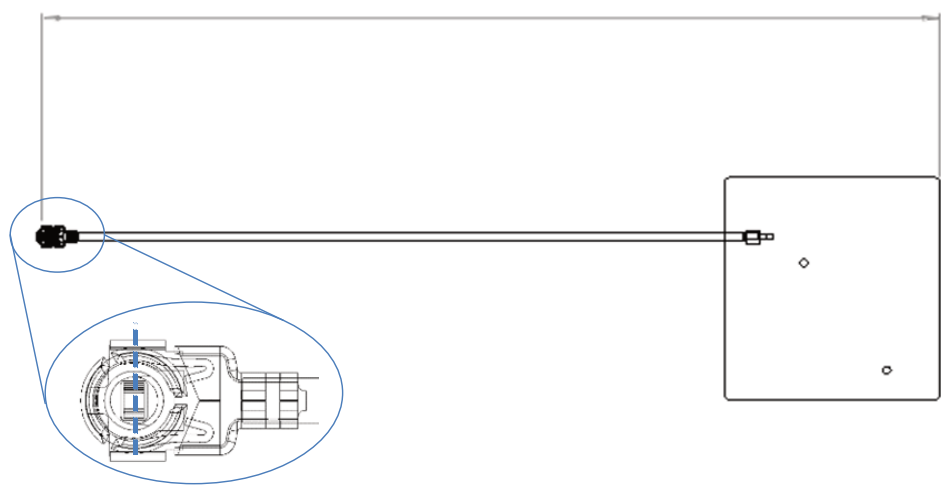
7.1. Dimensions FPC section



L	W	T
Length	Width	Thickness
30.0 ±0.2	28.5 ±0.2	0.15 (nominal)

All dimensions in (mm)

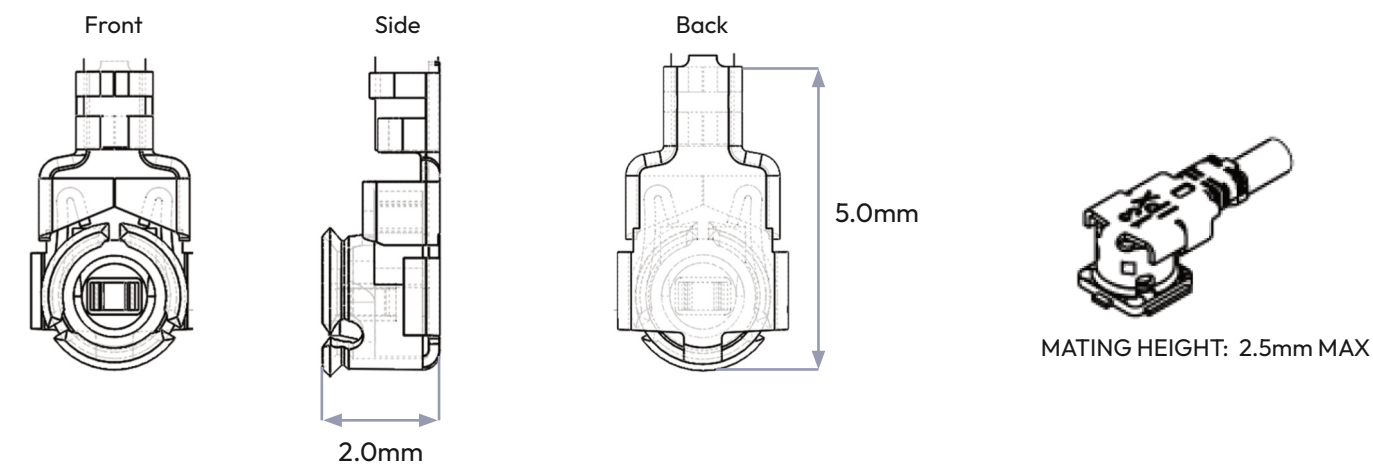
7.2. Dimensions assembled



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Length
122.0 ±2.0

All dimensions in (mm)
Standard cable length for this antenna is 100mm

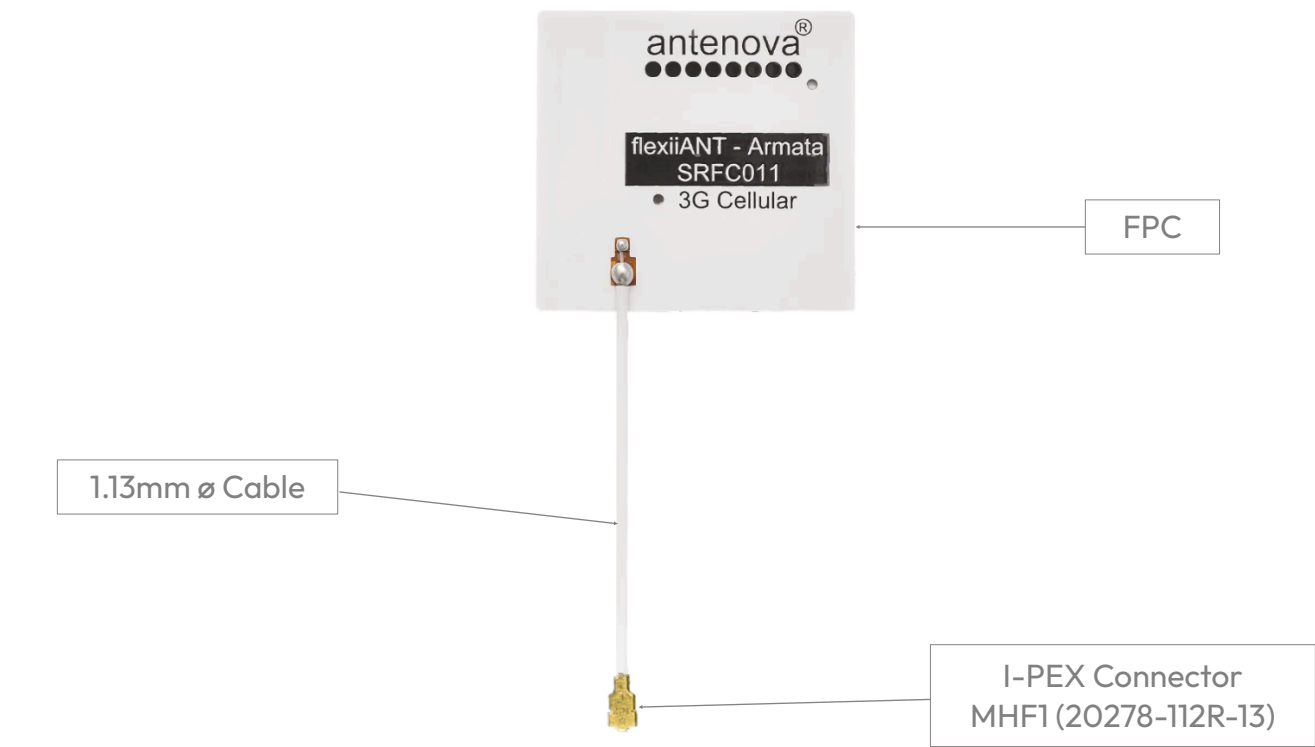
7.3. I-PEX connector MHF1 (20278-112R-13)



I-PEX	
Material	Copper alloy
Plating	Ag

All dimensions in (mm)

7.4. Assembly



8. Electrical interface

8.1. Host interface

The host PCB requires the mating connector which is the I-PEX MHF (UFL) receptacle. The location should be close to the chip/modules pin for the RF. Any feed from this receptacle should be maintained at 50Ω impedance

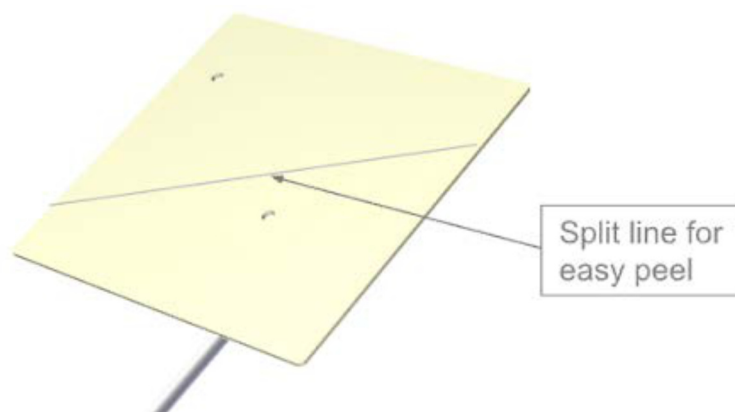
8.2. Transmission line

- Must have a characteristic impedance of 50Ω.
- Length should be kept to a minimum.
- Is recommended to be a co-planar waveguide: log on to [Antenna.com](https://www.antenna.com) and try our [Transmission line calculator](#) to easily calculate the dimensions most suited to your requirements.
- Should have DC blocking capacitor (e.g. 220pF) placed in line to protect the RF front end.

9. Mechanical fixing

The antenna uses 3M 468MP adhesive on the reverse side of the FPC. The antenna has an easy access split line to peel off to reveal the adhesive side. It is designed for a one time fix to a clean smooth surface. The antenna is keyed with two 1mm locating holes for easy positioning.

FPC back side



10. Antenna integration guide

We recommend the following during the design phase to maximise antenna performance and minimize noise:

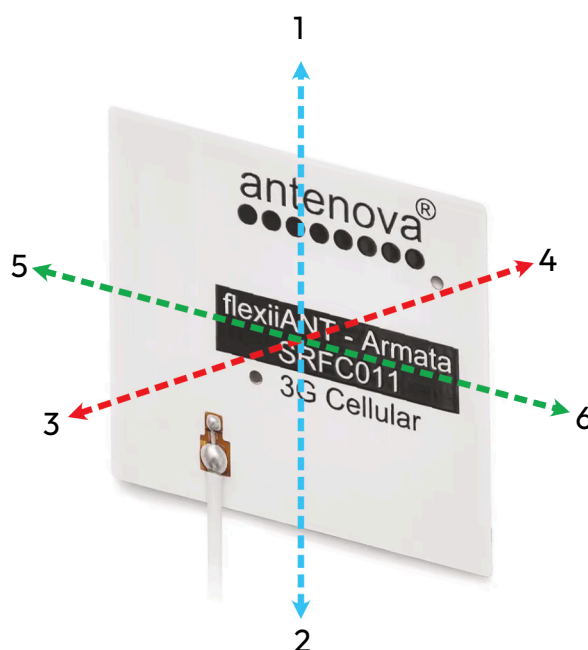
- Minimum 4 layer PCB
- Route signals and power internally where possible
- Flood all layers with ground
- Knit ground on all layers together with plenty of vias

Follow placement guidance carefully, in addition Antenova provide technical support to help you through all stages of your design. Register for an account on <https://ask.antenova.com/> to access technical support.

10.1. Antenna placement

For FPC antennas the host PCB size is not critical to performance, however consideration must be given to placement. Using six spatial directions, as shown below, the antenna should ideally maintain a minimum of three directions free from obstruction in order to radiate effectively. Where there are obstructions (e.g. PCB, metal parts, battery etc.) a minimum clearance should still be maintained. These minimum clearances are described later in this section.

Six spatial directions relative to FPC

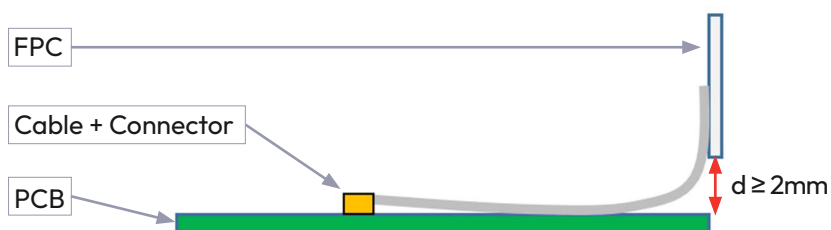


10.2. Orientation of FPC

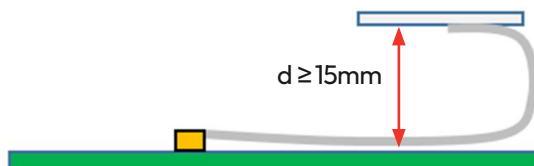
The orientation of the FPC with respect to the host PCB should be defined depending on the unit. The proximity of the GND will have an influence on the antenna so the PCB location relative to the antenna should be considered.

The FPC will normally be placed in one of the three following options for orientation. In each option a distance (d) is the critical dimension to consider. The diagram below shows the minimum value of (d) for each. Other obstructions may increase this dimension.

Vertical mounted



Co-planar to PCB



Planar to PCB (Same plane)



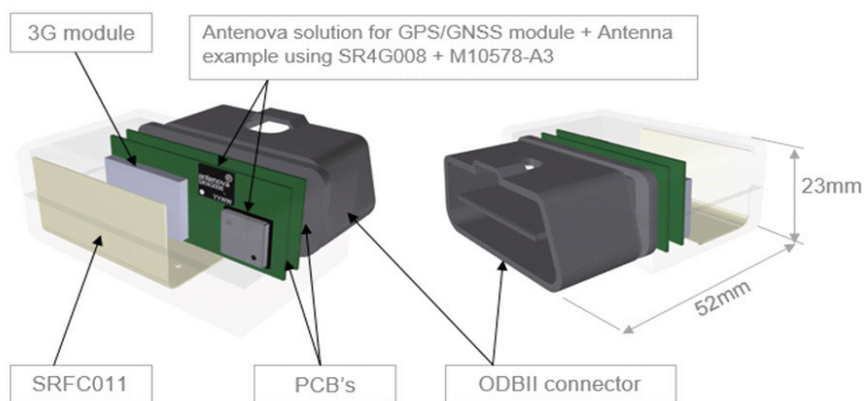
10.3. Host PCB size

SRFC011 is designed specifically for smaller devices. The host PCB size has a large effect on the performance. It is recommended for the host PCB to be $<1600\text{mm}^2$. For any PCB which is larger it is advised to use Antenna SRFC025 as a suitable cellular FPC.

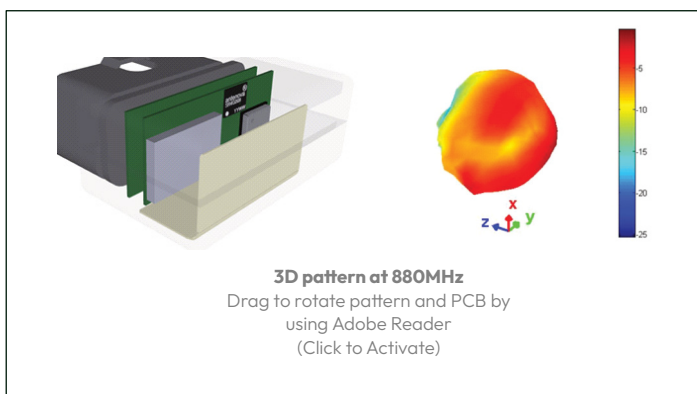
10.4. Device integration example

An example of integration within an OBDII unit is shown below. A simplified design highlights the antenna's integration. The FPC is shown adhered to the inside of the device's plastic housing. The length of the cable is sufficient to allow ease of assembly when produced (SRFC011-100).

Due to the limited internal space the FPC is adhered between two surfaces. The maximum allowable distance between the FPC and the PCBs is maintained.



The FPC is adhered with a 90 degree bend to fit within the limited space



11. Hazardous material regulation conformance

The antenna has been tested to conform to RoHS and REACH requirements. A certificate of conformance is available from Antenova's website.

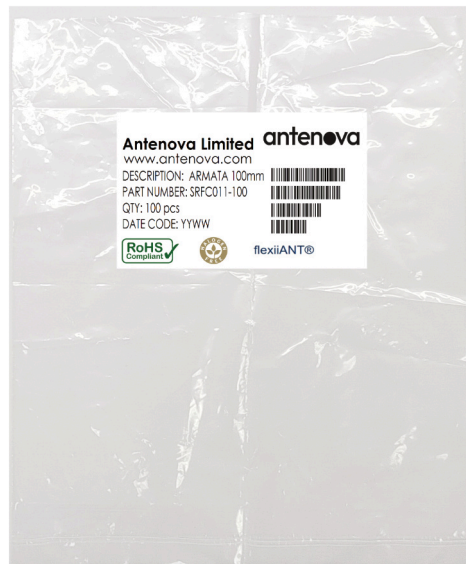
12. Packaging

The antennas are stored within a plastic bag of 100 pcs.

Single antenna per bag



100 units per bag (Labelled)



12.1. Optimal storage conditions

Temperature	-10°C to 40°C
Humidity	Less than 75% RH
Shelf life	18 Months
Storage place	Away from corrosive gas and direct sunlight
Packaging	Antennas should be stored in unopened sealed manufacturer's plastic packaging.

Note: The shelf life of the antenna is 18 months, provided the bag of 100 pieces remains factory- sealed.

12.2. Label information



12.3. Bag properties

Reels are supplied in protective plastic packaging.

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