VALTRACK-V4-VTS Documentation

Ru should find majority of the details needed for using the hardware here



VALTRACK-V4-VTS as the name itself depicts, is a fully configurable low power Vehicle Tracking System device. It was designed to be versatile and flexible enough to fit into any vehicle tracking scenario, be it for tracking 🚲 Bikes, 🚗 Cars or 🛻 Trucks.

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Specifications

| Model No. | VALTRACK-V4-VTS [IO-INT-LTE] | | |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| Operating Voltage | Main Power Input : 12V to 42V DC [Connect to 12V Lead Acid Battery] | | |
| | Has Reverse Polarity Protection | | |
| | | | |
| | Backup Battery Input : 3.7V to 4.2V DC [Connect a single cell 3.7V-4.2V Li-Po or Li-Ion Battery] | | |
| | A Doesn't have Reverse Polarity Protection | | |
| | | | |
| Dimensions | With Enclosure - Length: 52mm * Width: 65mm * Height: 30 mm | | |
| | PCB Dimensions - Length: 34mm * Width: 43mm * Thickness: 1.6 mm | | |
| Battery Support | 3.7V-4.2V DC Li-Po backup battery is supported. Use > 400mAH capacity battery. MP2617 Charger chip is used to handle the battery charging. | | |
| Cellular module | SIM7600G - LTE 3G 2G - For Global use | | |
| | SIM7600E - LTE 3G 2G - For Europe | | |
| | SIM7600A - LTE 3G 2G - For North America | | |
| Navigation hardware | SE868K3AL GNSS module comes with inbuilt patch antenna | | |
| | SIM7600x has inbuilt GNSS hardware which needs external active antenna [Bias is already provided to the GNSS U.FL connector] | | |
| Aux Inputs | None | | |
| Aux Outputs | 1x Relay Output (MOSFET DRIVERS) [Optional] | | |
| Operating Modes | HTTP, SMS, MQTT/TCP | | |
| Configuration Methods | Bluetooth 5.0 available on board can be used to configure the device using the VALTRACK-V4 Setup application. | | |
| Processor | STM32WB55CEU6 ARM Cortex M4 , 64MHz, 512KB of Flash memory | | |
| Motion Sensor | MMA865x 12-bit, 3-axis Accelerometer | | |
| Memory | 1-Mbit / 128KB EEPROM for storing parameters and lost pings. | | |
| Antenna | Cellular : U.FL Connector | | |
| | 1.5 dBi gain Flexible PCB antenna comes attached | | |
| | SIM7600x GNSS : U.FL Connector | | |
| | Patch antenna comes attached | | |
| | Available on request only ! | | |
| | | | |
| | SE868K3L GNSS : Inbuilt antenna | | |
| Connectivity | Bluetooth, GPRS, SMS, Call | | |
| Flashing options | SWD Debug port available on a FFC connector [10 pin, 0.5mm pitch] | | |
| | MCU can be flashed Over The Air (OTA) using Bluetooth interface | | |
| Enclosure | Device ships in a standard IP67 rated enclosure. | | |

Getting Started



Opening the enclosure

You need to remove the four screws present in the bottom of the enclosure to open it. Use a star head screw driver.

Inserting the SIM card

Get a Nano-SIM card and insert it into the boards push-pull type SIM card slot.

A Power should not be connected to the device during SIM card insertion

Powering the device



VALTRACK-V4-VTS can run from any of the two power sources,

Main Power Input [VCHG connector] Can take 12V to 42V DC [Connect to 12V Lead Acid Battery]
Its a JST type connector

Has Reverse Polarity Protection

| Backup Battery Input [VBAT connector] | Can take 3.7V to 4.2V DC [Connect a single cell 3.7V-4.2V Li-Po or Li-Ion Battery] Use at least 500mAH and above capacity batteries The battery connected to this port automatically gets charged by VCHG. Its a JST-XH type connector | |
|--|---|--|
| | A Doesn't have Reverse Polarity Protection | |
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Device can start functioning with any of above power sources.

LED Indicators

- Once the device is powered ON, The LED will show up and start with all RED .
- Once the SIM is registered to the network, the NETWORK LED turns GREEN .
- Once the GNSS module gets a location sync, the LOCATION LED turns GREEN .
- After 30 seconds of inactivity, all LED will turn OFF to save power and turn ON again on movement detected by Accelerometer.
- POWER LED remains **RED** all the time

Programming

1 Here you will find the details needed for develop your own firmware for the device

If you are interested in writing firmware for the VALTRACK-V4-VTS device, you will need to know where is each pin of MCU is connected to.

Since the schematics of the device is not yet openly available, We are providing the MCU pin connection details, which should be able to help you in determining how is the whole architecture laid out. Watching our device intro video would also help to get an overall idea on the hardware present on board.

MCU Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Net Name | Connected to | |
|------------|------------------|----------------|--|--|
| 1 | VBAT | 3VDC | 3VDC | |
| 2 | PC14-OSC32_IN | CLK_IN | 32.768 KHz crystal | |
| 3 | PC15-OSC32_OUT | CLK_OUT | 32K.768 KHz crystal | |
| 4 | PH3-BOOT0 | BOOT0 | BOOT0 pull down resistor | |
| 5 | PB8 | NET_LED_R | Network - RED LED - Cathode pin | |
| 6 | PB9 | NET_LED_G | Network - GREEN LED - Cathode pin | |
| 7 | NRST | RESET | Debug connector MCU Reset lines via RC network • J60 pin no 1 • J56 pin no 6 | |
| 8 | VDDA | 3VDC | 3VDC | |
| 9 | PA0 | SIM_PWRKEY_3V3 | SIM7600x PWRKEY pin through N channel MOSFET. | |
| | | | Making this pin HIGH pulls PWRKEY pin to GND | |
| 10 | PA1 | DTR_3V3 | SIM7600x DTR input pin through level translator. | |
| 11 | PA2 / LPUART1_TX | LPUART1_TX | SIM7600x RXD input pin through level translator. | |
| 12 | PA3 / LPUART1_RX | LPUART1_RX | SIM7600x TXD output pin through level translator. | |
| 13 | PA4 | ANALOG_IN | VCHG input through voltage divider resistor network. R22,R33 govern the voltage at this pin. Default values : R22 = 100K, R33 = 23.7K, effectively giving 2.87V for VCHG = 15V | |
| 14 | PA5 | GEN_LED_B | Location - BLUE LED - Cathode pin | |
| 15 | PA6 | NET_LED_B | Network - BLUE LED - Cathode pin | |
| 16 | PA7 | BAT_LED_R | Battery - RED LED - Cathode pin | |
| 17 | PA8 | RELAY | RELAY MOSFET driver Gate InputOpen drain driver with Drain pin of MOSFET exposed on a connector | |
| 18 | PA9 / USART1_TX | UART_TX1 | SE868K3AL RX0 input pin | |
| 19 | PB2 | GEN_LED_G | Location - GREEN LED - Cathode pin | |
| 20 | VDD | 3VDC | 3VDC | |
| 21 | RF1 | RF1 | Bluetooth PCB antenna via matching network | |
| 22 | VSSRF | GND | System Ground | |
| 23 | VDDRF | 3VDC | 3VDC | |
| 24 | OSC_OUT | OSC_OUT | 32 MHz crystal | |
| 25 | OSC_IN | OSC_IN | 32 MHz crystal | |
| 26 | AT0 | ATO | Not connected | |
| 27 | AT1 | AT2 | Not connected | |

| 28 | PB0 | INT1 | INT1 interrupt output of LIS3DH Accelerometer | |
|----|-------------------|------------|---|--|
| 29 | PB1 | GPS_ENABLE | Enable input of power gating MOSFET for SE868K3AL GNSS module • Making this pin high provides 3VDC to SE868KAL module | |
| 30 | PE4 | RELAY1 | Not connected | |
| 31 | VFBSMPS | VFBSMPS | 3VDC | |
| 32 | VSSSMPS | GND | System Ground | |
| 33 | VLXSMPS | VLXSMPS | 3VDC | |
| 34 | VDDSMPS | VDDSMPS | 3VDC | |
| 35 | VDD | 3VDC | 3VDC | |
| 36 | PA10 / USART1_RX | UART1_RX1 | SE868K3AL TX0 output pin | |
| 37 | PA11 | GSM_ENABLE | Enable input of power gating MOSFET for SIM7600x LTE module Making this pin high provides ~4VDC to SIM7600x module | |
| 38 | PA12 | GEN_LED_R | Location - RED LED - Cathode pin | |
| 39 | PA13 / JTMS_SWDIO | SWDIO | Debug connector SWDIO lines • J60 pin no 3 • J56 pin no 8 | |
| 40 | VDDUSB | VDDUSB | 3VDC | |
| 41 | PA14 / JTMS_SWCLK | SWCLK | Debug connector SWDIO lines • J60 pin no 2 • J56 pin no 7 | |
| 42 | PA15 | SOS | Tactile switch inputPulled up, filtered and Active LOW | |
| 43 | PB3 | BAT_LED_B | Battery - BLUE LED - Cathode pin | |
| 44 | PB4 | TPS_ENABLE | Enable input of switching regulator TPS54240 Making this pin high powers the system via VCHG connector. Not connected by default as it will cause system into reset loop if no alternate backup battery power available | |
| 45 | DDr | | | |
| 45 | | BAI_LED_G | Battery - BLUE LED - Cathode pin | |
| 46 | PB6 / I2C1_SCL | | I2C clock of LIS3DH Accelerometer and M24M01 EEPROM | |
| 47 | PB7 / I2C1_SDA | IIC_DATA | I2C data of LIS3DH Accelerometer and M24M01 EEPROM | |
| 48 | VDD | 3VDC | 3VDC | |

J60 - MCU Debug Connector [SMT pads] - Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Connected to |
|------------|----------|---------------|
| 1 | RESET | MCU Reset pin |
| 2 | SWCLK | MCU SWCLK pin |
| 3 | SWDIO | MCU SWDIO pin |
| 4 | GND | System Ground |

| 5 VCC 3VDC |
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J56 - Flex Debug Connector [0.5mm 10 pin FFC] - Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Connected to |
|------------|--------------|--|
| 1 | SIM_USB_DN | SIM7600x USB_DN pin |
| 2 | SIM_USB_DP | SIM7600x USB_DP pin |
| 3 | SIM_USB_VBUS | SIM7600x USB_VBUS pin |
| 4 | UART_RX1 | SE868K3AL TX0 output pinMCU USART1_RX pin |
| 5 | UART_TX1 | SE868K3AL RX0 input pin MCU USART1_TX pin |
| 6 | RESET | MCU Reset pin |
| 7 | SWCLK | MCU SWCLK pin |
| 8 | SWDIO | MCU SWDIO pin |
| 9 | GND | System Ground |
| 10 | VCC | 3VDC |

J57 - SIM7600x USB Connector [SMT pads] - Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Connected to |
|------------|--------------|--|
| 1 | SIM_USB_DN | SIM7600x USB_DN pin |
| 2 | SIM_USB_DP | SIM7600x USB_DP pin |
| 3 | SIM_USB_VBUS | SIM7600x USB_VBUS pin |
| 4 | UART_RX1 | SE868K3AL TX0 output pinMCU USART1_RX pin |
| 5 | UART_TX1 | SE868K3AL RX0 input pinMCU USART1_TX pin |

J62 - VCHG Connector [SMT pads] - Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Connected to |
|------------|----------|---|
| 1 | VCHG | VCHG input of system through FUSE and diode |
| | | 12VDC to 42VDC input |
| 2 | GND | System Ground |

J41 - VBAT Connector [SMT pads] - Pinout Details

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Connected to |
|------------|----------|--|
| 1 | VBAT | VBAT input of system or Backup battery input |
| | | • 3.7V to 4.2V battery input |
| 2 | GND | System Ground |

Configuration

You will find information about parameter configuration by Bluetooth here

There is a mobile application presently only available for Android being developed, which supports updating of parameters using the on board Bluetooth 5 interface.

When you power on the device, it presents itself with the name P2PSRV1

The device runs a Custom P2P server Bluetooth profile code which exposes a few characteristics to be written to or read from to interact with the device.

Here are the Bluetooth interface details you need to be able to read and write from the device,

Service UUID : 0000fe40-cc7a-482a-984a-7f2ed5b3e58f

TX Characteristic : 0000fe41-8e22-4541-9d4c-21edae82ed19

Rx Characteristic : 0000fe42-8e22-4541-9d4c-21edae82ed19

Transmission and reception is from phones perspective

List of parameters supported :

| Index | Command Name | Description | Size [Bytes] |
|-------|--------------------------|--|--------------|
| 0 | Band | Network band to be selected, Best to leave default | 30 |
| 1 | Working Mode | Devices location sending mode HTTP / TCP / SMS | 5 |
| 2 | Motion Alert Mode | Alert CALL or SMS or NONE [Only in SMS Working mode] | 5 |
| 3 | Motion Threshold | Accelerometer threshold from 6 to 25 | 1 |
| 4 | Contact Number | Contact number to be used for sending SMS or CALL | 16 |
| 5 | APN Name | Your network providers APN name | 20 |
| 6 | APN User Name | Your network providers APN user name if any | 20 |
| 7 | APN Password | Your network providers APN password if any | 20 |
| 8 | HTTP URL | URL of HTTP post request made in HTTP mode | 150 |
| 9 | HTTP Key | Any AUTH key of HTTP post request made in HTTP mode | 100 |
| A | Ping Interval | Location sending interval in seconds | 4 |
| В | MQTT Host | IP / Domain of MQTT broker in MQTT/TCP mode | 30 |
| С | MQTT Port | Port of MQTT broker accepting data in MQTT/TCP mode | 10 |
| D | MQTT Client ID | MQTT client ID of MQTT broker in MQTT/TCP mode | 20 |
| E | MQTT Topic | MQTT Topic of MQTT broker in MQTT/TCP mode | 30 |
| F | MQTT Protocol Name | Protocol name of MQTT broker in MQTT/TCP mode | 10 |
| G | MQTT LVL | LVL value of MQTT broker in MQTT/TCP mode | 1 |
| н | MQTT Flags | Flags used in MQTT packets in MQTT/TCP mode | 1 |
| I | MQTT Keep Alive | Keep alive interval for MQTT connection | 4 |
| J | MQTT User Name | MQTT authentication user name | 30 |
| К | MQTT Password | MQTT authentication password | 35 |
| Z | Return or Exit Bluetooth | Returns from the Bluetooth loop and restarts device | 0 |

Writing new parameter values to the device :

When you want to update a parameters value, you need to write to the TX characteristic given above.

The format to write data is as follows,

InputData = '\$VALETRON:' + InputIndex + '-' + \$('#i'+InputID).val() + '#';

If you look at the above line, its a JavaScript line which forms the command to be sent to the device.

ex.,

if you want to update the Contact Number parameter to 1234567890, the command will become,

\$VALETRON:4-1234567890#

Here the content between - (hyphen) and # (hash) characters which is **1234567890** will be written to the Contact Number parameter whose index is **4**.

"\$VALETRON:" is the header and the "#" is like the footer which help the device to parse the command easily.

Once you have formed this command, you have to send the command, in a certain byte format to the device, Look at this code JavaScript code below,

```
for(var i=0;i<InputData.length;i++)
{
    data1[0] = 0x01; // Packet Identifer - Parameter Ppdate Packet
    data1[1] = InputData.charCodeAt(i);
    ble.writeWithoutResponse(
        deviceId,
        bluefruit.serviceUUID,
        bluefruit.txCharacteristic,
        data1.buffer, success, failure
    );
}</pre>
```

Here we are sending 0x01 as the first byte and our command byte as the second byte. Here 0x01 is a packet identifier that indicates to the device that the byte that follows is a parameter update data.

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Our data will be sent to device like this,

0x01,\$

0x01, V

0x01, A etc

Reading values from the device :

When you want to read anything from the device, you subscribe to the RX characteristic given above.

Whenever a data is available, the phone is notified by Bluetooth.

When you want to manually read the parameters, Everything explained above holds good and you just need to replace the first byte, which is the packet identifier with datal[0] = 0x02; to indicate that its a parameter read command in below code snippet.

```
for(var i=0;i<InputData.length;i++)
{
    data1[0] = 0x02; // Packet Identifer - Parameter Read Packet
    data1[1] = InputData.charCodeAt(i);
    ble.writeWithoutResponse(
        deviceId,
        bluefruit.serviceUUID,
        bluefruit.txCharacteristic,
        data1.buffer, success, failure
    );
}</pre>
```

Here we are sending 0x02 as the first byte and our command byte as the second byte. Here 0x02 is a packet identifier that indicates to the device that the byte that follows is a parameter read data.

ex.,

Our data will be sent to device like this,

0x02, \$

0x02, V

0x02, A etc

For example,

You can read the contact number parameter with **\$VALETRON:4-000#** command.