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# IMPINJ M780 / M781

## TAG CHIP DATASHEET
## IPJ-M780A-A00
## IPJ-M781A-A00

# 1 OVERVIEW

Impinj® M700 series RAIN RFID tag chips provide high performance, fast inventory capability, and advanced features for next-generation, universal RAIN RFID tags.

Impinj® M780 and M781 RAIN RFID tag chips are members of the Impinj M700 series and provide high performance, fast inventory capability, and advanced features for next-generation, universal RAIN RFID tags. The Impinj M780 and M781 can be attached to or embedded in nearly any item, globally, to enable solutions for use cases requiring larger EPC and/or User memory, such as pharmaceuticals, food and grocery, aviation, automotive, government, and others.

The Impinj M780 and M781 endpoint ICs are distinguished from other members of the Impinj M700 series by the amount of EPC and User memory available on each chip, as shown in the summary section below. These Impinj ICs provide increased sensitivity, improved readability, and advanced features compared to earlier generation Impinj Monza® tag chips and are compatible with the global GS1 UHF Gen2v2 standard which ISO/IEC standardized as 18000-63.

When combined with a next-generation reader like the Impinj R700 RAIN RFID reader, Impinj M700 series-based tags help to advance RAIN RFID performance at dock doors, conveyors, and store exits.

## 1.1 Specifications Summary

- Read sensitivity of up to -23.5 dBm with a dipole antenna
- Write sensitivity of up to -20.5 dBm with a dipole antenna
- 96 bits of Serialized TID with 48-bit serial number
- Two memory configuration options:
    - Impinj M780: 496 bits of EPC memory, 128 bits of User memory
    - Impinj M781: 128 bits of EPC memory, 512 bits of User memory
- Inlay compatibility between Impinj M730, M750, M770, M775, M780, and M781 tag chips
- ISO/IEC 18000-63:2015 and EPCglobal Gen2v2 compliant

## 1.2 Features Summary

The Impinj platform lays a foundation for the development of IoT solutions, RAIN devices, and RAIN tags, extending the Internet's reach from the cloud, through edge connectivity devices, all the way to physical items. As part of the platform, Impinj uniquely provides patented features and technologies that enhance the capabilities of a standardized RAIN system. These include: Impinj AutoTune, Enduro, FastID, Integra, Protected Mode, and TagFocus. Please see below for details about key features.

- **Impinj Enhanced AutoTune™ Adaptive RF Tuning** — Optimizes performance to the tag's environment for improved readability across different materials, tag form factors, and operating frequencies
- **Impinj Enhanced Integra™ Memory Diagnostics** — Suite of diagnostics verify tag chip health and validate data encoding to consistently deliver more accurate data and reliable tags. This includes built-in memory error detection with parity checking applied throughout normal Gen2v2 operation
- **Impinj Protected Mode** — Enables loss prevention and protects consumer privacy by making a tag invisible to RAIN readers. The tag can be returned to normal operation and made visible to readers using a secure password
- **Unkillable Mode** — When used in conjunction with the Impinj Protected Mode feature, the unkillable mode prevents an Impinj M780 or M781-based tag from being killed before it is put into Protected Mode
- **Short-Range Mode** — Decreases a tag's read range by >90% via the EPCglobal Gen2v2 *Untraceable* command
- **Shared *Access* and *Kill* Passwords** — Protect tag memory blocks or permanently deactivate the tag
- **Impinj Enhanced Enduro™ IC Bonding Technology** — Patented bonding pad design optimizes eco-friendly tag performance and delivers high-quality tags for improved tag yield, reliability, and durability

- **Impinj TagFocus™ Read Redundancy Prevention** — Unique algorithm prevents multiple reads of the same chip so that hard-to-read tags can be read more accurately within a complex population of tags
- **Impinj FastID™ High-Speed Reading** — Reduces inventory time by simplifying the tag-identification steps needed when using a TID-based numbering system
- **Self-Serialization** — Scalable built-in serialization

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# 2 INTRODUCTION

## 2.1 Scope

This datasheet defines the physical and logical specifications for EPCglobal Gen2-compliant Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, a reader-talks-first, radio frequency identification (RFID) component operating in the UHF frequency range.

## 2.2 Reference Documents

The following reference documents were used to compile this datasheet:

- EPC™ Radio-Frequency Identity Protocols Generation-2 UHF RFID Protocol for Communications at 860 MHz – 960 MHz (Gen2v2 Specification, version 2.0.1 Feb 2016)
    - o The conventions used in the Gen2v2 Specification (normative references, terms and definitions, symbols, abbreviated terms, and notation) were adopted in the drafting of this datasheet. Users of this datasheet should familiarize themselves with the Gen2v2 Specification.
- Impinj M780 and M781 Wafer Specification
- Impinj Wafer Map Orientation Guide
- TID Memory Maps for Impinj Monza Self-Serialization Application Note
- EPC Tag Data Standards (TDS) v2.0
- EPCglobal "Interoperability Test System for EPC Compliant Class-1 Generation-2 UHF RFID Devices" v.2.1, Jul 2018

Consult these documents for more information about compliance standards and specifications.

# 3  FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips fully support all mandatory commands of the EPCglobal Gen2v2 specification as well as optional commands and features (see Support for Optional Gen2v2 Commands, section 3.2).

## 3.1  Impinj M780 / M781 Tag Chip Block Diagram

### Figure 1: Block Diagram
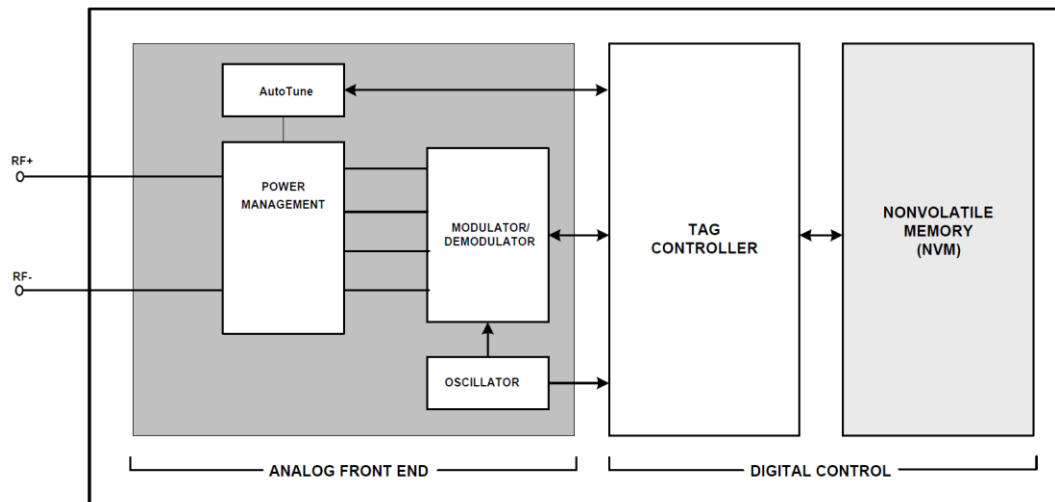


### 3.1.1  Power Management

The tag is activated by proximity to an active reader. When the tag enters a reader's RF field, the Power Management block converts the induced electromagnetic field to the DC voltage that powers the chip.

### 3.1.2  Impinj Enhanced AutoTune™

The Impinj Enhanced AutoTune block adjusts Impinj M780 / M781 tag chip power harvesting from the inlay antenna by adjusting the chip's input capacitance. The refined tuning algorithm improves symmetry around tag resonances and widens the dynamic range of the IC sensitivity across the entire 860-960 MHz UHF spectrum. Impinj AutoTune adjustment occurs at every IC power up and is held for the remainder of the time that the tag chip is powered. For information on how to read out the Impinj AutoTune values or configure this feature, refer to Impinj AutoTune Disable and AutoTune Value, section 5.4.3.

### 3.1.3  Modulator/Demodulator

The Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips demodulate any of a reader's three possible modulation formats, DSB-ASK, SSB-ASK, or PR-ASK with PIE encoding. The tag communicates to a reader via backscatter of the incident RF waveform by switching the reflection coefficient of its antenna pair between reflective and absorptive states. Backscattered data is encoded as either FM0 or Miller subcarrier modulation (with the reader commanding both the encoding choice and the data rate).

### 3.1.4  Tag Controller

The Tag Controller block is a finite state machine (digital logic) that carries out command sequences and performs a number of overhead duties.

### 3.1.5  Nonvolatile Memory

The Impinj M780 and M781 tag chip embedded memory is nonvolatile memory (NVM) cell technology, specifically optimized for RFID applications. All programming overhead circuitry is integrated on chip. Impinj M780 and M781 tag chip NVM provides 10,000 write cycle endurance or 10-year data retention.

The memory write speed for Impinj M780 and M781 is 3.2 ms per *Write*, *BlockWrite*, *Lock* or *Kill* operation, for writing up to 32 bits.

The NVM block is organized into three segments:

- EPC memory:
    - Impinj M780: 496 bits
    - Impinj M781: 128 bits
    - The Protocol-Control word contains an additional 9 programmable bits
- User memory:
    - Impinj M780: 128 bits
    - Impinj M781: 512 bits
- Reserved memory, which includes the shared access and kill passwords, and feature and chip control words

The ROM-based Tag Identification (TID) memory contains the EPCglobal class ID, the manufacturer identification, and the model number. It also contains an extended TID consisting of a 16-bit header and 48-bit serialization.

See Table 1 for the Impinj M780 and M781 memory organization.

**Table 1: Impinj M780 and M781 Memory Organization**

| Memory Section | Impinj M780 | Impinj M781 |
|---|---|---|
| EPC | 496 bits | 128 bits |
| User | 128 bits | 512 bits |
| TID (not changeable) | Serial Number – 48 bits | Serial Number – 48 bits |
| | Extended TID Header – 16 bits | Extended TID Header – 16 bits |
| | Company/Model Number – 32 bits | Company/Model Number – 32 bits |
| Reserved | Chip Configuration | Chip Configuration |
| | Kill Password – 32 bits, shared | Kill Password – 32 bits, shared |
| | Access Password – 32 bits, shared | Access Password – 32 bits, shared |

## 3.2  Support for Optional Gen2v2 Commands

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips support the optional commands listed in Table 2. For further details on these commands, refer to the EPC[TM] Radio-Frequency Identity Protocols Generation-2 UHF RFID Protocol for Communications at 860 MHz – 960 MHz (Gen2v2 Specification).

**Table 2: Supported EPCglobal Gen2v2 Specification Commands**

| Command | Details |
|---|---|
| *Access* | • **Supports full functionality of the *Access* command**<br>• **Allows control of user access to write and/or lock the tag** |
| *BlockWrite* | • **Accepts valid one-word commands**<br>• **Accepts valid two-word commands if pointer is an even value**<br>• **Returns error code "Not supported" ($00000001_2$) if it receives a valid two-word command with an odd value pointer**<br>• **Returns error code "Not supported" ($00000001_2$) if it receives a command for more than two words**<br>• **Does not respond to *BlockWrite* commands of zero words** |
| *Lock* | • **Separately lockable EPC and User memory bank**<br>• **Lockable access and kill password – these passwords share the same lock status and cannot be locked independently from each other. For further details on locking the shared password, see section 5.4.1.3**<br>• **The TID memory bank is perma-locked at the factory and is read only** |
| *Untraceable* | • **Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips support only the Range parameter of the Untraceable command to shift between reduced range and normal operating range. This includes supporting temporarily toggling the range.**<br>• **The EPC length field (L bits) must match the EPC length field (StoredPC bits $10_h – 14_h$)**<br>• **For an alternative method to set a tag for short range, see section 5.4.2** |

## 3.3  Impinj Enhanced Integra Memory Diagnostics

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips have improved data integrity features that enhance encoding and data reliability. These features include Memory Parity Self-Check and the *MarginRead* command.

### 3.3.1  Memory Parity Self-Check

The Impinj Integra self-check feature in Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips has been expanded to include automatic word-wise parity checking for all memory spaces. Automatic parity checking prevents tags from sending corrupt data to a reader during Gen2v2 inventory rounds or read operations.

The tag has an additional parity bit for each word stored on the chip used for implementing memory parity checks during typical Gen2v2 operations described in this section. The parity bits are used for internal parity checking and are not directly readable.

### 3.3.1.1 Factory Memory Parity Check

At IC power-up, parity is checked in Reserved memory words 4 - 6 and TID memory words 0 - 5. The tag will not send any response if parity fails on any of these words. If the tag backscatters an RN16, e.g. in response to a *Query* command during an inventory, the parity check has passed for this memory.

### 3.3.1.2 EPC Parity Check

At IC power-up, up to the first 128 bits of EPC data, depending on the EPC length, is checked for parity errors. During a typical inventory round, the entire EPC data, depending on the EPC length, is checked for parity errors. At IC power-up, if an error is detected in the EPC data up to the first 128 bits of EPC data, the tag will respond with a zero-length EPC. If an error is detected in the PC word, the tag will respond with a zero-length EPC and an inverted PacketCRC. If an error is detected in the EPC data during a normal inventory but after IC power-up, including an error after the first 128 bits of EPC data, the

tag will respond with the EPC data and an inverted PacketCRC. If there are no parity errors, the tag will respond with the expected EPC data.

### 3.3.1.3 Read Memory Parity Check

Parity is checked on individual words of memory by issuing a *Read* command. The target word(s) will be checked for parity errors. If an error is detected, the tag will respond with the read data and an inverted CRC. If there are no parity errors, the tag will respond with the expected data.

### 3.3.1.4 Shared Password Parity Check

Parity is checked on the shared password by issuing a *Kill* or *Access* command sequence. If an error is detected in the shared password, the tag will not be able to enter the **killed** or **secured** states and the tag will respond with the error codes shown below. If no errors are detected, the tag responds as expected and may therefore enter the **killed** or **secured** states by issuing the *Kill* or *Access* command sequences, respectively, with the correct password.

- *Kill* command sequence: tag with parity error in shared password responds with an error code as if the kill password = 0
  - o Tag sends *delayed* reply with error code
- *Access* command sequence: tag with parity error in shared password responds with an error code indicating the access is disallowed
  - o Tag sends error code $00000000_2$

### 3.3.2 Recommended Memory Parity Self-Check Usage Guidelines

Memory Parity Self-Check is designed to allow reliable, automatic screening capabilities to improve quality when manufacturing RAIN RFID tags with Impinj endpoint ICs. Memory failures are rare but are a reality of RFID tag manufacturing. In RAIN RFID, there are potential points of failure throughout the tag manufacturing ecosystem before finished tags are attached to items—from the silicon manufacturing process through inlay manufacturing, label conversion, and finally the printing and encoding of finished tags. If the integrity of a tag is compromised, it should be screened out as early as possible.

The Impinj Enhanced Integra Memory Parity Self-Check provides a seamless, built-in mechanism to minimize the risk of damaged parts being put into service. Bit flips are easily screened on Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips as they will self-report issues, checking their memory during every Gen2v2 inventory round or read operation.

- If inventory rounds or read operations complete successfully, no parity errors were detected
- If locking an Impinj M780 / M781 tag with a non-zero password, parity will be checked on the shared password automatically during the normal *Lock* command sequence.
  - o An *Access* command is required before issuing a *Lock* command to a tag with a non-zero password
  - o Parity on the shared password is checked in response to the *Access* command
  - o If the *Access* command sequence is successful, no parity errors were detected in the password

### 3.3.3 MarginRead Command

*MarginRead* is a Gen2v2-compliant custom command supported by Impinj tag chips with Impinj Integra. This command allows a reader to explicitly verify that each bit of the tag chip NVM is strongly written and has sufficient charge margin for reliable operation. It is used for tag quality control to ensure data integrity and for failure analysis.

Table 3, Table 4, and Table 5 provide details about the custom Impinj *MarginRead* command.

### Table 3: *MarginRead* Command Code

| Command | Code | Length | Details |
|---|---|---|---|
| *MarginRead* | 1110000000000001 | ≥ 67 bits | • **The *MarginRead* command allows checking for sufficient write margin of known data**<br><br>• **The tag must be in the open or secured state to respond to the command**<br><br>• **If a tag receives a *MarginRead* command with an invalid handle, it ignores that command**<br><br>• **The tag responds with the Insufficient Power error code if the power is too low to execute a *MarginRead* command**<br><br>• **The tag responds with the Other error code if the margin is bad for a bit in the mask or if a non-matching bit is sent by the reader**<br><br>• **The *MarginRead* command is only applicable for programmable sections of the memory** |

### Table 4: *MarginRead* Command Details

| *MarginRead* Command | Code | Mem Bank | Bit Pointer | Length | Mask | RN | CRC-16 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **#bits** | 16 | 2 | EBV | 8 | Variable | 16 | 16 |
| **Details** | 11100000 00000001 | 00: Reserved<br>01: EPC<br>10: TID<br>11: User | Starting Bit Address Pointer | Length in Bits | Mask Value | Handle | CRC-16 |

**Table 5: *MarginRead* Command Field Descriptions**

| Field | Description |
|---|---|
| Mem Bank | The memory bank to access |
| Bit Pointer | An EBV that indicates the starting bit address of the mask |
| Length | Length of the mask field from 1-255<br><br>A value of zero shall result in the command being ignored |
| Mask | This field must match the expected values of the bits<br><br>The chip checks that each bit matches what is in the mask field with margin |
| RN | The tag will ignore any *MarginRead* command received with an invalid handle |

The tag response to the *MarginRead* Command uses the preamble specified by the TRext value in the *Query* command that initiated the round. See Table 6 for tag response details.

**Table 6: Tag Response to a Passing *MarginRead* Command**

| Response | Header | RN | CRC-16 |
|---|---|---|---|
| #bits | 1 | 16 | 16 |
| Description | 0 | Handle | CRC-16 |

## 3.3.4  MarginRead Memory Boundary Restrictions

In M780 and M781 chips, MarginRead will not operate across certain memory boundaries. For the M780, MarginRead will not operate across addresses 0x015F and 0x0160 in the EPC memory bank. For the M781, MarginRead will not operate across addresses 0x00BF and 0x00C0 in the User memory bank. Across all other address ranges, MarginRead operates normally. The memory boundaries are shown in Table 7.

**Table 7: Impinj M780 and M781 MarginRead Restricted Memory Boundaries**

| Memory Section | Impinj M780 | Impinj M781 |
|---|---|---|
| EPC | Do NOT cross address boundary 0x15F \| 0x160 | No restrictions |
| User | No restrictions | Do NOT cross address boundary 0x0BF \| 0x0C0 |
| TID | No restrictions | No restrictions |
| Reserved | No restrictions | No restrictions |

To avoid crossing restricted memory boundaries, *MarginRead* commands must be formatted such that the Mem Bank, Bit Pointer and Length fields do not allow *MarginRead* to cross boundary addresses. Below are three examples.

- M780 example:
    - Mem Bank = $01_2$ (EPC memory bank)
    - Bit Pointer = 0x110
    - Length must <u>NOT</u> be greater than 0x50 ($80_{10}$)
- M781 example:
    - Mem Bank = $11_2$ (User memory bank)

    o   Bit Pointer = 0x000
    o   Length must <u>NOT</u> be greater than 0xC0 ($192_{10}$)

### 3.3.5  Recommended MarginRead Usage Guidelines

There are several ways that the *MarginRead* command could be used with Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips. Impinj M780 and M781 ICs are pre-serialized at the factory; the *MarginRead* command allows a programming reader to check that the pre-serialized data is written correctly and does not need to be re-encoded. Another recommended use of *MarginRead* is secondary and independent verification of the encoding quality. *MarginRead* can also be used for diagnosis when doing failure analysis on tags.

## 3.4  Impinj Protected Mode

The Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips include an advanced tag data protection feature that can be used to enhance consumer privacy while supporting EAS and loss prevention capabilities.

A tag with an Impinj M780 or M781 tag chip can be made invisible to RAIN RFID readers using Impinj Protected Mode. It allows a tag to become completely RF silent to all Gen2v2 commands but return to normal Gen2v2 operation when it receives the correct command sequence.

For more information on enabling Impinj Protected Mode in Impinj M700 series tag chips, please request support through the Impinj Support Portal at https://www.impinj.com/support.

## 3.5  Advanced Impinj Inventory Features

Impinj tag chips support two unique patented features that work within the RAIN standard and boost inventory performance for traditional EPC and TID-based applications:

- Impinj TagFocus™ mode minimizes redundant reads of strong tags, allowing the reader to focus on weak tags that are typically the last to be found. Using Impinj TagFocus, readers can suppress previously read tags by indefinitely refreshing their S1 B state.
- Impinj FastID™ mode makes TID-based applications practical by boosting TID-based inventory speeds. Readers can inventory both the EPC and the TID without having to perform access commands. Setting the EPC word length to zero enables TID-only serialization. For the M780, only the first 400 bits of the EPC are backscattered while in FastID mode due to the Gen2 protocol 496-bit limitation.

## 3.6  Pad Descriptions

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips have two external Impinj Enduro pads available to the user: one RF+ pad, and one RF- pads. RF+ and RF- form a single differential antenna port, as shown in Table 8 (see also Figure 1 and Figure 2). Note that neither of these pads connect to the chip substrate.

**Table 8: Pad Descriptions**

| External Signals | External Pad | Description |
|---|---|---|
| **RF+** | 1 | Differential RF Input Pads for Antenna |
| **RF-** | 2 | |

## 3.7  Differential Antenna Input

All interaction with the Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, including generation of its internal power, air interface, negotiation sequences, and command execution, occurs via the chip's differential antenna port. The differential antenna port is connected with the RF+ pad connected to one terminal and the RF- pad connected to the other terminal.

**Figure 2: Impinj M780 and M781 Tag Chip Die Orientation**
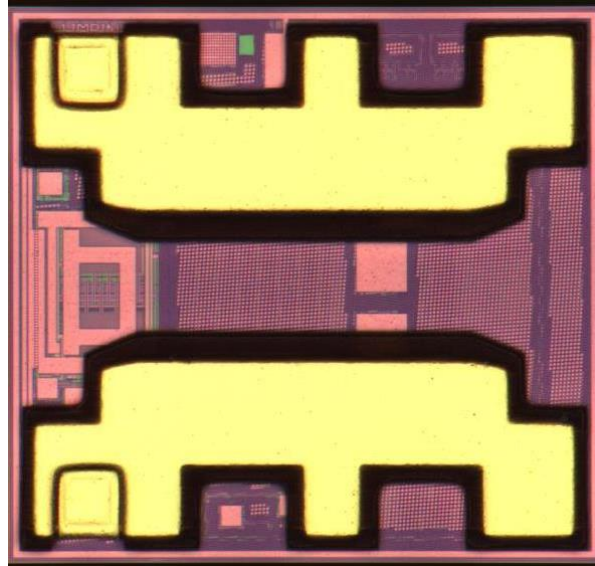


**Note: This image is for illustration purposes only.**

## 3.8 Impinj M780 and M781 Antenna Reference Designs

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips are compatible with antenna designs for the Impinj M730, M750, M770, and M775 tag chips.

### 3.8.1 Impinj Core3D Antenna™ Reference Designs

Impinj has developed a class of innovative omnidirectional antenna reference designs compatible with the Impinj M700 series of tag chips. Impinj Core3D Antenna™ reference designs deliver excellent omnidirectional read range with single dipole tag ICs. This enables the higher-performing Impinj M700 series to replace the omnidirectional functionality provided by Impinj Monza 4 True3D tags. In addition, Core3D Antenna designs eliminate "blind spots" in the target frequency band, unlike standard dipole antennas which have deep nulls at certain angles. These antenna designs are circularly polarized, reducing their susceptibility to reader antenna polarization, position, and orientation effects. Impinj Core3D Antenna reference designs are compatible with all Impinj M700 series tag ICs.

### 3.8.2 Impinj Antenna Reference Design Access

At the time of release, Impinj will have appropriate reference designs available for use by Impinj endpoint IC customers under the terms of the Impinj Antenna License Agreement. Access to these reference design documents is restricted. To access these documents, users must obtain access permission by creating an Impinj access account and submitting a request form through the Impinj Partner Access page. Once Impinj has accepted their request, users can use their access credentials to view the Impinj Endpoint IC reference design documents page on the Support Portal.

## 3.9 Impinj M700 Series Tag Chip Dimensions

Chip dimensions for Impinj M780 / M781

- 424.7 µm x 396.7 µm rectangular die size

- 392.0 µm x 126.9 µm pad size

- 111 µm pad spacing at center of die

- 137.3 µm pad spacing at edge of die

# 4  INTERFACE CHARACTERISTICS

This section describes the RF interface of the tag chip and the modulation characteristics of both communication links: reader-to-tag (Forward Link) and tag-to-reader (Reverse Link).

## 4.1  Antenna Connections

Figure 3 shows antenna connections for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips.

**Figure 3: Antenna Connection for Inlay Production**
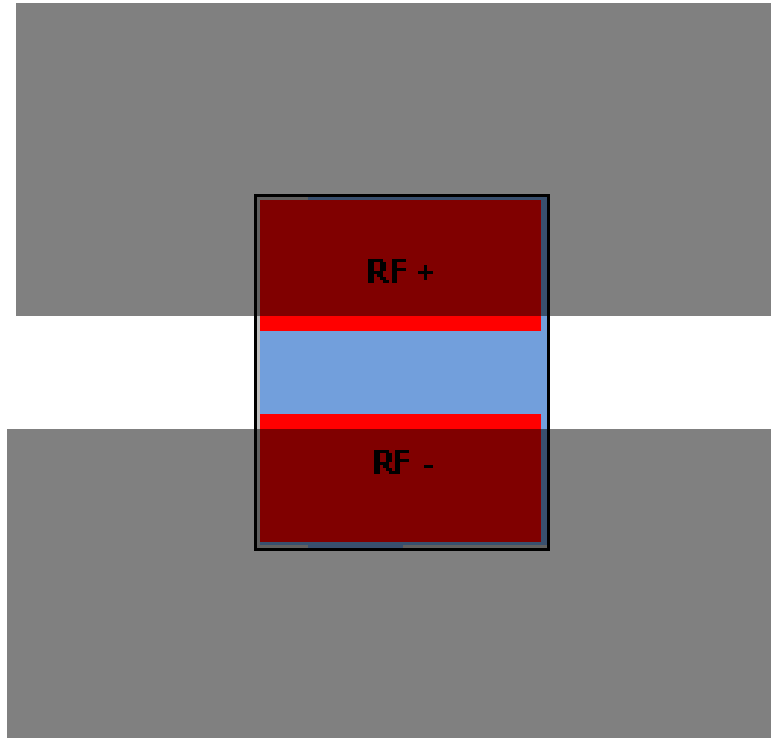


This connection configuration for inlay production connects the Impinj M780 / M781 tag chip RF+ pad to one antenna terminal and the RF- pad to the opposite polarity terminal. Impinj Enduro pads allow relatively coarse antenna geometry, and thus enable relaxed resolution requirements for antenna patterning compared to bumped products. The diagram in Figure 3 shows the recommended antenna trace arrangement and chip placement, with antenna traces partially overlapping the Impinj Enduro pads but not extending into the clear space between Enduro pads.

## 4.2  Impedance Parameters

To realize the full performance potential of the Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, it is imperative that the antenna present the appropriate impedance at its terminals. A simplified lumped element tag chip model, shown in Figure 4, is the conjugate of the optimum source impedance, which is *not* equal to the chip input impedance. This indirect, source-pull method of deriving the port model is necessary due to the non-linear, time-varying nature of the tag RF circuits. The model is a good mathematical fit for the chip over a broad frequency range.

The lumped element values are listed in Table 9, where $C_{mount}$ is the parasitic capacitance due to the antenna trace overlap with the chip surface, $C_p$ appears at the chip terminals and is intrinsic to the chip, and $R_p$ represents the energy conversion and energy absorption of the RF circuits.

**Figure 4: Tag Chip Linearized RF Model**
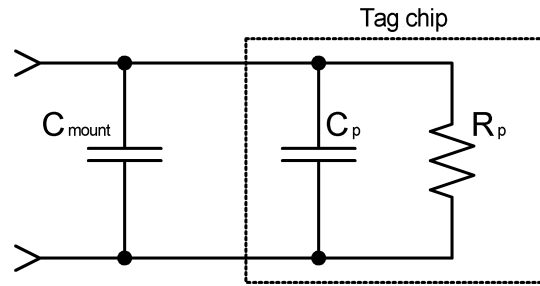


Table 9 shows the values for the chip port model for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, which apply to all frequencies of the primary regions of operation (including North America and Europe).

**Table 9: Impinj M700 Series RF Parameters**

| Parameter | Typical Value | Comments |
|---|---|---|
| $R_p$ | 2.80 kOhm | Calculated for linearized RF model shown in Figure 4. |
| $C_p$ | 0.925 pF | Intrinsic chip capacitance when AutoTune is mid-range, including Enduro pads. |
| $C_{mount}$ | 0.115 pF | Typical capacitance due to adhesive and antenna mount parasitics. |
| Total Load Capacitance | 1.04 pF | Total load capacitance presented to antenna model of Figure 4 is:<br><br>$C_p + C_{mount}$ |
| Read Sensitivity | - 23.5 dBm | Measured in a 50-ohm system using a response to a *Query* command with a +2.15 dBi gain ideal dipole antenna. |
| Write Sensitivity | - 20.5 dBm | |

## 4.3 Reader-to-Tag (Forward Link) Signal Characteristics

**Table 10: Forward Link Signal Parameters**

| Parameter | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Units | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **RF Characteristics** | | | | | |
| **Carrier Frequency** | 860 | | 960 | MHz | North America: 902–928 MHz  Europe: 865–868 MHz |
| **Maximum RF Field Strength** | | | +20 | dBm | Received by a tag with dipole antenna while sitting on a maximum power reader antenna |
| **Modulation** | | DSB-ASK, SSB-ASK, or PR-ASK | | | Double and single sideband amplitude shift keying;  phase-reversal amplitude shift keying |
| **Data Encoding** | | PIE | | | Pulse-interval encoding |
| **Modulation Depth** | 80 | | 100 | % | (A-B)/A, A=envelope max., B=envelope min. |
| **Ripple, Peak-to-Peak** | | | 5 | % | Portion of A-B |
| **Rise Time (tr,10-90%)** | 0 | | 0.33Tari | sec | |
| **Fall Time (tf,10-90%)** | 0 | | 0.33Tari | sec | |
| **Tari*** | 6.25 | | 25 | µs | Data 0 symbol period |
| **PIE Symbol Ratio** | 1.5:1 | | 2:1 | | Data 1 symbol duration relative to Data 0 |
| **Duty Cycle** | 48 | | 82.3 | % | Ratio of data symbol high time to total symbol time |
| **Pulse Width** | MAX(0.265 Tari,2) | | 0.525Tari | µs | Pulse width defined as the low modulation time (50% amplitude) |

**\*Values are nominal minimum and nominal maximum, and do not include frequency tolerance. Apply appropriate frequency tolerance to derive absolute periods and frequencies.**

## 4.4 Tag-to-Reader (Reverse Link) Signal Characteristics

**Table 11: Reverse Link Signal Parameters**

| Parameter | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Units | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Modulation Characteristics** | | | | | |
| **Modulation** | | ASK | | | FET Modulator |
| **Data Encoding** | | Baseband FM0 or Miller Subcarrier | | | |
| **Change in Modulator Reflection Coefficient \|ΔΓ\| due to Modulation** | | 0.8 | | | $\|\Delta\Gamma\| = \|\Gamma_{reflect} - \Gamma_{absorb}\|$ (per read/write sensitivity, Table 9) |
| **Duty Cycle** | 45 | 50 | 55 | % | |
| **Symbol Period** | 1.5625 | | 25 | µs | Baseband FM0 |
| | 3.125 | | 200 | µs | Miller-modulated subcarrier |
| **Miller Subcarrier Frequency\*** | 40 | | 640 | kHz | |

**\* Values are nominal minimum and nominal maximum, and do not include frequency tolerance. Apply appropriate frequency tolerance to derive absolute periods and frequencies.**

# 5 TAG MEMORY

## 5.1 Impinj M780 Tag Chip Memory Map

### Table 12: Impinj M780 Physical/Logical Memory Map

| Memory Bank Number | Memory Bank Name | Memory Bank Bit Address | Bit Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| 11₂ | USER (NVM) | 70h-7Fh | User[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 60h-6Fh | User[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | … | … | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 10h-1Fh | User[111:96] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 00h-0Fh | User[127:112] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10₂ | TID (ROM) | 80h-8Fh | S0 | S2 | S3 | S0 | SL | S2 | SL | S3 | RFU[7:0] = 00h | | | | | | | |
| | | 50h-5Fh | TID_Serial[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 40h-4Fh | TID_Serial[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 30h-3Fh | TID_Serial[47:32] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 20h-2Fh | Extended TID Header = 2000h | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 10h-1Fh | MDID[3:0] = 1h | | | | Model Number = 1C0h | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 00h-0Fh | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | MDID[8:4] = 00h | | | | |
| 01₂ | EPC (NVM) | 200h-20Fh | EPC[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 1F0h-1FFh | EPC[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | … | … | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 30h-3Fh | EPC[479:464] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 20h-2Fh | EPC[495:480] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 10h-1Fh | Protocol-Control Bits (PC) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 00h-0Fh | CRC-16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 00₂ | RESERVED (NVM) | 340h-34Fh | RFU[12:0]=000h | | | | | | | | | | | | | ATV[2:0] | | |
| | | 70h-7Fh | Factory Calibration C[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 60h-6Fh | Factory Calibration B[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 50h-5Fh | Factory Calibration A[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 40h-4Fh | Internal Config [15:4] | | | | | | | | | | | | UK | SR | Internal Config[1] | A |
| | | 30h-3Fh | Shared Access Password[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 20h-2Fh | Shared Access Password[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 10h-1Fh | Shared Kill Password[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 00h-0Fh | Shared Kill Password[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

**Note: Impinj M780 tag chips have a single 32-bit password; the access and kill passwords are shared and aliased over one another.**

## 5.2 Impinj M781 Tag Chip Memory Map

### Table 13: Impinj M781 Physical/Logical Memory Map

| Memory Bank Number | Memory Bank Name | Memory Bank Bit Address | Bit Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| $11_2$ | USER (NVM) | $1F0_h$-$1FF_h$ | User[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $1E0_h$-$1EF_h$ | User[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | … | … | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $10_h$-$1F_h$ | User[495:480] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $00_h$-$0F_h$ | User[511:496] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| $10_2$ | TID (ROM) | $80_h$-$8F_h$ | S0 | S2 | S3 | S0 | SL | S2 | SL | S3 | RFU[7:0] = $00_h$ | | | | | | | |
| | | $50_h$-$5F_h$ | TID_Serial[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $40_h$-$4F_h$ | TID_Serial[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $30_h$-$3F_h$ | TID_Serial[47:32] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $20_h$-$2F_h$ | Extended TID Header = $2000_h$ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $10_h$-$1F_h$ | MDID[3:0] = $1_h$ | | | | Model Number = $1C1_h$ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $00_h$-$0F_h$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | MDID[8:4] = $00_h$ | | | | |
| $01_2$ | EPC (NVM) | $90_h$-$9F_h$ | EPC[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $80_h$-$8F_h$ | EPC[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | … | … | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $30_h$-$3F_h$ | EPC[111:96] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $20_h$-$2F_h$ | EPC[127:112] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $10_h$-$1F_h$ | Protocol-Control Bits (PC) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $00_h$-$0F_h$ | CRC-16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| $00_2$ | RESERVED (NVM) | $340_h$-$34F_h$ | RFU[12:0]=$000_h$ | | | | | | | | | | | | | ATV[2:0] | | |
| | | $70_h$-$7F_h$ | Factory Calibration C[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $60_h$-$6F_h$ | Factory Calibration B[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $50_h$-$5F_h$ | Factory Calibration A[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $40_h$-$4F_h$ | Internal Config[15:4] | | | | | | | | | | | | UK | SR | Internal Conf[1] | A |
| | | $30_h$-$3F_h$ | Shared Access Password[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $20_h$-$2F_h$ | Shared Access Password[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $10_h$-$1F_h$ | Shared Kill Password[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $00_h$-$0F_h$ | Shared Kill Password[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

**Note: Impinj M781 tag chips have a single 32-bit password; the access and kill passwords are shared and aliased over one another.**

## 5.3 Logical vs. Physical Bit Identification

For the purposes of distinguishing most significant from least significant bits, a logical representation is used in this datasheet where MSBs correspond to large bit numbers and LSBs to small bit numbers. For example, Bit 15 is the logical MSB of a memory row in the memory map. Bit 0 is the LSB. A multi-bit word represented by WORD[N:0] is interpreted as MSB first when read from left to right. This convention should not be confused with the physical bit address indicated by the rows and column addresses in the memory map; the physical bit address, used for the memory bank bit addresses, describes the addressing used to access the memory.

## 5.4 Reserved Memory

Reserved memory contains the kill and access passwords, at bit locations 00-1F$_h$ and 20-3F$_h$ respectively. These passwords are the same for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips and are programmed to zero at the factory. Reserved memory also contains three user configuration bits which may only be changed in the **secured** state. The tag will transition from the **open** to **secured** state by receiving an *Access* command sequence with correct access password. Tags with a zero access password do not need the *Access* command sequence to transition to the **secured** state.

- SR = the Short Range bit. This bit is set to zero at the factory. When this bit set to one, the chip will operate in a short range mode. The chip will not respond at all unless it is in short range. This bit may be changed from the **secured** state with a non-zero password. This bit is at Reserved memory bit location 4D$_h$. See section 5.4.2 for more details.

- A = the AutoTune disable bit. This bit is set to zero at the factory. When the AutoTune disable bit is zero, Impinj AutoTune works as normal. When the bit is one, Impinj AutoTune is disabled and the capacitance on the front end assumes the mid-range value. This bit may be changed from the **secured** state with a zero or non-zero password. This bit is at Reserved memory bit location 4F$_h$. See section 5.4.3 for more details.

- UK = the Unkillable bit. This bit is used to put a tag into unkillable mode. This bit is set to zero at the factory, allowing the tag to be killable using the Gen2v2 *Kill* command sequence if the tag is encoded with a non-zero password. If this bit is written to a value of 1, the tag is permanently put into unkillable mode: the bit cannot be changed, and the tag will be permanently unkillable. This bit may be set to 1 from the **secured** state with a zero or non-zero password. This bit is at Reserved memory bit location 4C$_h$. See section 5.4.4 for more details.

To write these three bits, a *Write* command or single word *BlockWrite* command must be issued to word 4 of Reserved memory. These bits must be written at the same time. The SR and A bits may be changed multiple times. If the UK bit is changed to 1, it cannot be changed. When writing to this word to set the configuration bits, use the payloads as shown in Table 14.

**Table 14: Writing User Configurable Bits for Impinj M780/M781, Word 4$_h$ of Reserved Memory**

| Payload (Hex) | Payload (Binary) | Unkillable bit, UK | Short Range Bit, SR | AutoTune Disable Bit, A | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **0000** | 0000 0000 0000 **0000** | 0 | 0 | 0 | Default values. Tag will be killable, in normal range with AutoTune enabled. |
| **0004** | 0000 0000 0000 **0100** | 0 | 1 | 0 | Tag will be killable, in short range with AutoTune enabled. |
| **0001** | 0000 0000 0000 **0001** | 0 | 0 | 1 | Tag will be killable, in normal range with AutoTune disabled. |
| **0005** | 0000 0000 0000 **0101** | 0 | 1 | 1 | Tag will be killable, in short range with AutoTune disabled. |
| **0008** | 0000 0000 0000 **1000** | 1 | 0 | 0 | Tag will be unkillable, in normal range with AutoTune enabled. |

**Note: This word must be written to in the *secured* state. If changing the SR bit, the tag must also have a non-zero access password, entering the *secured* state using the *Access* command. There are additional valid configuration options not listed above – any combination of the UK, SR and A bits may be set to 1 at the same time. Once the UK bit is set to 1, it will remain set to 1 and will not change even if attempting to write the UK bit to 0.**

## 5.4.1  Shared Access and Kill Password

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips have a single 32-bit password; the access and kill passwords are shared and aliased over one another. The same password is used for both *Access* and *Kill* commands. *Write, BlockWrite* or *Lock* commands to the access password will affect the kill password and vice versa. The password may be read or written from either address. Multi-row reads of the Reserved memory bank will return the same password for words 0-1 and 2-3. The default value for the shared password is all zeroes. Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips will respond to *Access*, *Kill* and *Lock* commands as if the access and kill passwords were logically independent even though they share the same physical memory.

### 5.4.1.1 Access Password

The single shared 32-bit password functions as the access password in Reserved memory 20$_h$ to 3F$_h$, MSB first. The default value is all zeroes. Tags with a non-zero access password will require a reader to issue this password as part of an *Access* command before transitioning to the **secured** state. The password stored in the access password location will always have the same value and lock status as the kill password.

### 5.4.1.2 Kill Password

The single shared 32-bit password functions as the kill password in Reserve Memory 00$_h$ to 1F$_h$, MSB first. The default value is all zeroes. Tags with a non-zero kill password will require a reader to issue this password as part of *Kill* command before permanently transitioning to the **killed** state. Tags in the **killed** state will not respond to any commands. A tag will not execute a kill operation if its kill password is all zeroes or if the Unkillable bit is set to 1.

## 5.4.1.3 Locking Password

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips must have the access and kill passwords locked in the same way. The table below lists specific examples of valid payloads for locking the access and kill passwords. It is possible to lock additional memory alongside the passwords as well – additional payloads are supported as long as the access and kill password lock settings do not conflict. If the payload for the *Lock* command is not valid, the tag chip will respond back with an error code "Not supported" ($00000001_b$). For further details about the *Lock* command, refer to the Gen2v2 specification.

**Table 15: Supported *Lock* Command Payloads for Locking Passwords**

| *Lock* Command Payload (Hex) | *Lock* Command Payload (Binary) | Description |
|---|---|---|
| A0000 | 1010 0000 0000 0000 0000 | Access and kill passwords are unlocked and are readable or writable from the open or secured states. |
| F0000 | 1111 0000 0000 0000 0000 | Access and kill passwords are permanently unlocked and are readable or writable from the open or secured states. |
| A0280 | 1010 0000 0010 1000 0000 | Access and kill passwords are locked and are readable or writable from the secured state but not from the open state. |
| F03C0 | 1111 0000 0011 1100 0000 | Access and kill passwords are permanently locked and are not readable or writable from any state. |

## 5.4.2  Short Range Mode

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips come with a short-range capability to enhance consumer privacy. The Short Range bit (SR) in Reserved memory may be written when the tag is in the **secured** state with a non-zero access password. The tag chip would require an *Access* command with the correct access password to transition from the **open** to **secured** state.

- The factory programmed value of the Short Range (SR) bit is zero, which means the tag operates in normal range mode.

- To enable short range mode, a reader writes the SR bit to a one. The tag will only respond when it is near the reader, reducing the IC's read range to less than 1/10 of its normal range.

- To disable short range mode, a reader writes the SR bit to a zero.

Refer to Table 14 for example values to configure bits in Reserved memory.

Short range may also be configured using the Gen2v2 *Untraceable* command by specifying the *range* field as described below. The tag must be in the **secured** state with a non-zero access password in order to use the *Untraceable* command.

- If the *range* field is set to $10_2$: the SR bit will be set to one and the tag will be set to short range operation.

- If the *range* field is set to $00_2$: the SR bit will be set to zero and the tag will be set to normal range operation.

- If the *range* field is set to $01_2$: the SR bit will not be changed but the tag will operate as per the inverse of the SR bit value. For example:

  o If the tag is in short range with SR = 1, and in the **secured** state when it receives an *Untraceable* command with range = $01_2$, it will function in normal range operation until it loses energy. This may be used to ensure that a reader has enough power to talk to a short range tag before committing the change to memory.

## 5.4.3  Impinj AutoTune Disable and AutoTune Value

The AutoTune disable bit is in word $4_h$, marked A in the memory map. The AutoTune value is marked ATV[2:0] in word $34_h$. The AutoTune value represents the tuning capacitance scale, from zero to four. A value of zero removes 100 fF of capacitance across the RF input of the tag and a value of four adds 100 fF across the RF input of the chip. See Table 16 for the mapping between AutoTune value and the change in input capacitance. A reader acquires the AutoTune value by issuing a single word *Read* command to the appropriate word in the Reserved memory bank. The AutoTune value is not writable.

- The factory programmed value of the AutoTune disable bit is zero, enabling AutoTune by default.

- To disable AutoTune, a reader writes the A bit to a one. When the AutoTune bit is disabled, the capacitance across the RF input is set to 0 fF. Note that the readout of AutoTune value represents the value the IC would have tuned to with AutoTune enabled, and not the current capacitance across the RF input to the tag.

- To re-enable AutoTune, a reader writes the A bit to a zero.

Refer to Table 14 for example values to configure bits in Reserved memory.

**Table 16: Impinj AutoTune Value**

| Impinj Autotune Value | Change in Input Capacitance (fF) |
|:---:|:---:|
| $0_h$ | -100 |
| $1_h$ | -40 |
| $2_h$ | 0 |
| $3_h$ | +40 |
| $4_h$ | +100 |

## 5.4.4  Unkillable Mode

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips supports Gen2v2 password-based kill by default. They also have the capability to make the tags unkillable using the Unkillable mode. This mode allows tags to be made unkillable even if the tag has a non-zero valued kill password. The access and kill passwords are shared for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, so this mode allows tags to be password protected with a non-zero access password while preventing the tag from being killed with the same non-zero kill password.

Unkillable mode is enabled by writing the unkillable bit (UK) to 1 in Reserved memory. This bit may be changed from the **secured** state with a zero or non-zero password. If this bit is written to a value of 1, the tag is permanently put into unkillable mode: the bit cannot be changed and the tag will be permanently unkillable. This bit is at Reserved memory bit location $4C_h$.

- The factory programmed value of the unkillable bit is zero, which means the tag may be permanently deactivated, or killed, by having a non-zero password encoded to the tag and using the *Kill* command sequence with the correct kill password.
- To enable unkillable mode, a reader writes the UK bit to a one. The tag will then not be killable using the Gen2v2 *Kill* command sequence. The tag will respond to *Kill* command sequences but the tag will backscatter the error code "Other error" ($00000000_2$) in response to the second *Kill* command in the sequence.
- Once the UK bit is written to 1, this bit cannot be changed in subsequent write operations. The tag chip will be permanently unkillable.

Refer to Table 14 for example values to configure bits in Reserved memory for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips.

## 5.5   EPC Memory (EPC Data, Protocol Control Bits, and CRC16)

As per the Gen2v2 specification, tag chip EPC memory contains a 16-bit cyclic-redundancy check word (CRC16) at memory addresses $00_h$ to $0F_h$; the 16 protocol-control bits (PC) at memory addresses $10_h$ to $1F_h$; and an EPC value beginning at address $20_h$.

### 5.5.1   CRC16

The tag calculates the CRC16 upon power-up over the stored PC bits and up to the first 128 bits of the stored EPC specified by the EPC length field in the stored PC.

### 5.5.2   Protocol Control Word and Extended Protocol Control Word

The 16 protocol control bits, or PC word, include a five-bit EPC length (L bits), a one-bit read-only User memory indicator (UMI), a one-bit read-only extended protocol control indicator (XI), and nine bits of programmable memory from $17_h$ to $1F_h$ for the numbering system identifier toggle bit, T, and either Reserved for Future Use or Application Family Identifier (RFU or AFI), bits $18_h$ to $1F_h$.

- For Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, the UMI bit is set to 1 to indicate the presence of User memory. The factory default PC word value is $3400_h$.

Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips do not implement XPC_W1. Table 17 describes the stored PC bit values in detail.

**Table 17: StoredPC Bit Values Following the Gen2v2 Specification**

| EPC Memory Bank Bit Address | Name | How Set? | Descriptor | Setting |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $10_h$-$14_h$ | L bits | Written | EPC length field | |
| $15_h$ | UMI | Fixed | User memory indicator (File_0 indicator) | 1: Indicates presence of User memory |
| $16_h$ | XI | Computed (to a value of 0) | XPC_W1 indicator | 0: Impinj M780 / M781, as the tag has no XPC_W1 |
| $17_h$ | T | Written | Numbering System Identifier Toggle | 0: Tag is used in a GS1 EPCglobal™ Application<br>1: Tag is used in a non-GS1 EPCglobal™ Application |
| $18_h$-$1F_h$ | RFU or AFI | Per the Application | Reserved for Future Use or Application Family Identifier | GS1 EPCglobal™ Application: RFU and fixed[1] at zero<br>Non-GS1 EPCglobal™ Application: See ISO/IEC 15961 |

For more details about the PC field or the CRC16, see the Gen2v2 specification.

A tag reply to an *ACK* command, during an inventory round, will be determined by which bits are set in the PC word and if the tag is backscattering a truncated EPC. The following table shows the possible tag responses for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips, following the Gen2v2 specification.

**Table 18: Tag reply to an *ACK* command from the Gen2v2 specification**

| T | XI | XEB | Trunc-ation | C AND immed | Tag Backscatter | | | |
|---|----|-----|-------------|-------------|-----------------|---|---|---|
| | | | | | **PC** | **XPC** | **EPC[1]** | **CRC** |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **If Tag does not implement XPC_W1:** StoredPC($10_h$–$1F_h$) **If Tag implements XPC_W1:** StoredPC($10_h$–$17_h$), XPC_W1($218_h$–$21F_h$) | **None** | **Full** | **PacketCRC** |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $00000_2$ | **None** | **Truncated** | **PacketCRC** |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $00000_2$ | **None** | **Truncated** | **PacketCRC** |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | StoredPC($10_h$ – $1F_h$) | **None** | **Full** | **PacketCRC** |

**[1]Full means an EPC whose length is specified by the L bits in the StoredPC; Truncated means an EPC whose length is shortened by a prior *Select* command specifying truncation. See *Select* command details in the Gen2v2 specification for more details. (Note: M780 is restricted to backscattering only the first 400 bits of EPC while in FastID mode.)**

## 5.5.3  EPC Data

The EPC memory bank of Impinj M780 tag chips supports a maximum EPC size of 496 bits. The Impinj M781 supports a maximum EPC size of 128 bits (see Table 1). The default configuration from the factory, however, is for a 96-bit EPC. It is possible to adjust the EPC length according to the parameters laid out in the Gen2v2 standard by adjusting the five-bit EPC length in the PC word. The EPC value written into the chip from the factory is listed below in Table 19. The "X" nibbles in the pre-programmed EPC are pre-serialized values that follow the Impinj Monza Self-Serialization formula for Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips.

For more details on the pre-serialization formula used to generate the factory-programmed EPC, refer to the TID Memory Maps for Monza Self-Serialization.

**Table 19: EPC at Factory-Program**

| Impinj Part Number | Tag Chip Model | Factory default PC Bits (HEX) | EPC Value Pre-programmed at the Factory (hex) |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| **IPJ-M780A-A00** | **Impinj M780** | **3400** | **E280 11C0 A5XX XXXX XXXX XXXX** |
| **IPJ-M781A-A00** | **Impinj M781** | **3400** | **E280 11C1 A5XX XXXX XXXX XXXX** |

## 5.6  Tag Identification (TID) Memory

The ROM-based Tag Identification memory contains Impinj-specific data as shown in Table 20.

- The EPCglobal™ Class ID ($E2_h$) is stored in TID bit locations $00_h$-$07_h$.

- Bit $08_h$ is the XTID (X) indicator bit; X has a value of 1 to indicate the presence of an extended TID, consisting of a 16-bit header and a 48-bit serialization.

- Bit $09_h$ is the Security (S) indicator bit; S has a value of 0 to indicate the Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips do not support the *Authenticate* and/or *Challenge* commands.

- Bit $0A_h$ is the File (F) indicator bit; F has a value of 0 to indicate the Impinj M780 and M781 tag chips do not support the *FileOpen* command.

- The GS1-assigned 9-bit Manufacturer Identifier (MDID) for Impinj is $000000001_2$ and is located in TID memory bit locations $0B_h$-$13_h$. (Note: the location of the MDID is shown in Tag Memory Map, sections 5.1 and 5.2, and the bit details are given in Table 20.)

- The Impinj M780 / M781 tag chip model number is located in TID memory bit locations $14_h$-$1F_h$. See Table 21 for details on Impinj M700 series tag model numbers.

- TID bit locations $80_h$-$87_h$ contain read-only flag state bits. The flag state values are mapped to memory and may be used to read the current flag states or may be used for tag filtering with the *Select* command. For the S0, S2 and S3 bits, a value of 0 indicates the tag is in the A state for the given session, and a value of 1 indicates the tag is in the B state. If the SL flag is asserted, the SL bit will be 1; if de-asserted, the SL bit will be 0. Using any combination of these bits allows for selected tags based on any or all of these states through a single *Select* command.

**Table 20: TID Memory Details**

| Memory Bank Number | Memory Bank Name | Memory Bank Bit Address | Bit Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| $10_2$ | TID (ROM) | $80_h$-$8F_h$ | S0 | S2 | S3 | S0 | SL | S2 | SL | S3 | RFU[7:0] = $00_h$ | | | | | | | |
| | | $50_h$-$5F_h$ | TID_SERIAL[15:0] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $40_h$-$4F_h$ | TID_SERIAL[31:16] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $30_h$-$3F_h$ | TID_SERIAL[47:32] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $20_h$-$2F_h$ | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | $10_h$-$1F_h$ | MDID[3:0] | | | | Tag Model Number | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | $00_h$-$0F_h$ | EPCglobal™ Class ID | | | | | | X | S | F | MDID[8:4] | | | | | |
| | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**Table 21: Impinj M780 / M781 Tag Model Number Details**

| Tag chip model | Tag Model Number | |
|---|---|---|
| | Hex | Binary |
| **Impinj M780** | 1C0 | 0001 1100 0000 |
| **Impinj M781** | 1C1 | 0001 1100 0001 |

## 5.7  User Memory

The Impinj M780 tag chip user memory bank contains 128 bits: eight 16-bit words at memory addresses $00_h$ to $7F_h$. The Impinj M781 tag chip contains 512 bits: thirty-two 16-bit words at memory addresses $00_h$ to $1FF_h$. For further details about writing to user memory, refer to the Gen2v2 specification.

# 6  ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Stresses beyond those listed in this section may cause permanent damage to the tag chip. These are stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those

indicated in the operational sections of this datasheet is not guaranteed or implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## 6.1 Temperature

The tag chip is designed to be used within the temperature ranges listed in Table 22. These ranges specify the operating, storage, and survival conditions for the tag chip. Tag functional and performance requirements are met over the operating range, unless otherwise specified.

**Table 22: Temperature Parameters**

| Parameter | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Units | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Extended Operating Temperature** | **−40** | | **+85** | **°C** | **Default range for all functional and performance requirements except write operations. Write operations are limited to the Gen2 extended temperature range maximum of 65°C.** |
| **Storage Temperature** | **−40** | | **+85/125** | **°C** | **At 125°C data retention is 1 year** |
| **Assembly Survival Temperature** | | | **+260** | **°C** | **Applied for one minute** |
| **Temperature Rate of Change** | | | **4** | **°C / sec** | **During operation** |

## 6.2 Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Tolerance

The tag chip is guaranteed to survive ESD as specified in Table 23.

**Table 23: ESD Limits**

| Parameter | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Units | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ESD** | | | **2,000** | **V** | **HBM (Human Body Model)** |

## 6.3 NVM Use Model

Tag memory is designed to endure 10,000 write cycles or retain data for 10 years.

# 7 ORDERING INFORMATION

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**Table 24: Ordering Information**

| Part Number | Form | Product | Processing Flow |
|---|---|---|---|
| IPJ-M780A-A00 | Wafer | Impinj M780 tag chip | Padded, thinned (to ~120 μm) and diced |
| IPJ-M781A-A00 | Wafer | Impinj M781 tag chip | Padded, thinned (to ~120 μm) and diced |

# 8 NOTICES