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**Slim Reach  
Xtend<sup>™</sup>: Wi-Fi  
AND BLUETOOTH  
HEADSETS  
(2.4-2.5 GHz) &  
(4.9-5.875 GHz)**

APPLICATION NOTE  
Slim Reach Xtend<sup>™</sup> (NN01-104)

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Ignion specializes in enabling effective mobile communications. Using Ignion technology, we design and manufacture optimized antennas to make your wireless devices more competitive. Our mission is to help our clients develop innovative products and accelerate their time to market through our expertise in antenna design, testing and manufacturing.



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# 1. RECOMMENDED PCB LAYOUTS FOR A NEW DESIGN

The following examples describe the basics for a new design of a Bluetooth headset or a WiFi headset. Notice the importance of the antenna location, ground plane area, clearance area and the pads for a PI matching network (close to the antenna feeding point but in the ground plane area). All images below are not corresponding to real sizes.

## 1.1. BLUETOOTH HEADSETS (2.4-2.5 GHZ)

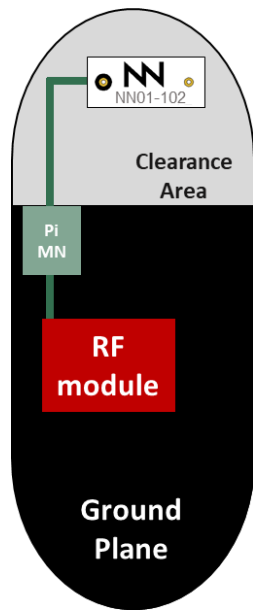


Figure 1. With one NN01-102 antenna

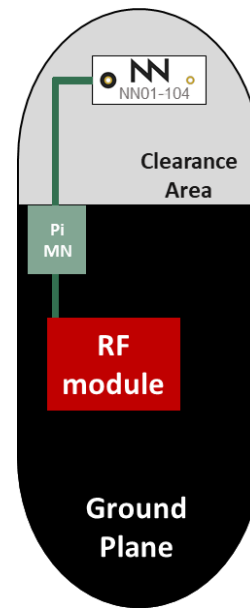


Figure 2. With one NN01-104 antenna

## 1.2. WIFI HEADSETS (2.4-2.5 GHZ AND 4.8-5.875 GHZ)

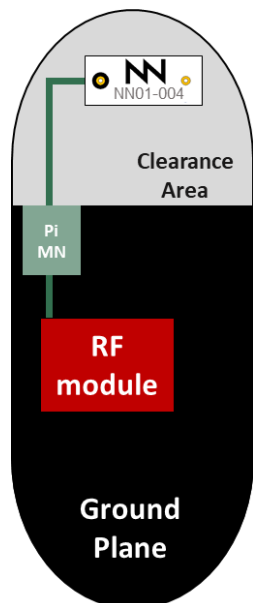


Figure 3. With one NN01-004 antenna

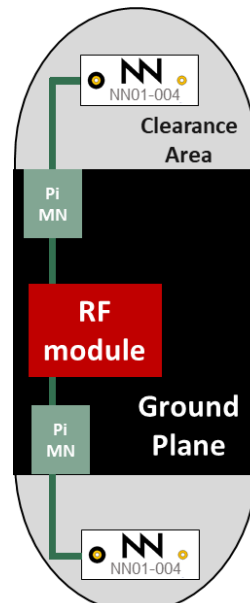
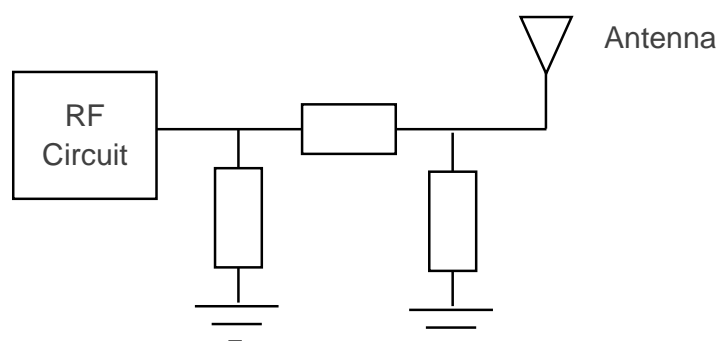


Figure 4. MIMO with two N01-004 antennas

## 2. MATCHING NETWORK IN FREE SPACE

The specs of a Ignion standard antenna are measured in their evaluation board (in free space), which is an ideal case. In a real design, components nearby the antenna, semiconductors, LCD's, batteries, covers, connectors, etc affect the antenna performance. This is the reason why it is highly recommended placing pads compatible with 0402 and 0603 SMD components for a PI matching network as close as possible to the antenna feeding point. Do it in the ground plane area, not in the clearance area. This is a degree of freedom to tune the antenna once the design is finished and taking into account all elements of the series (batteries, displays, covers, etc).

Please notice that different devices with different ground planes and different components nearby the Micro Reach Xtend™ chip antenna may need a different matching network. To ensure optimal results, the use of high Q and tight tolerance components is highly recommended (Murata components). If you need assistance to design your matching network beyond this application note, please contact [support@ignion.io](mailto:support@ignion.io), or try our free-of-charge<sup>1</sup> **NN Wireless Fast-Track** design service, you will get your chip antenna design including a custom matching network for your device in 24h<sup>1</sup>. Other related to NN's range of R&D services is available at: <https://www.ignion.io/rdservices/>



**Figure 5.** PI matching network example

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### 3. MATCHING NETWORK WITH HUMAN BODY EFFECT

The human body affects the performance of the antenna and produces a frequency downshift. Therefore, the configuration of the matching network has to be designed with a phantom head to optimize the antenna performance.



**Figure 6.** Antenna efficiency measurement of a headset in an anechoic chamber (3D pattern integration). Test includes a phantom head

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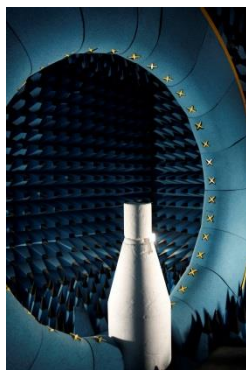
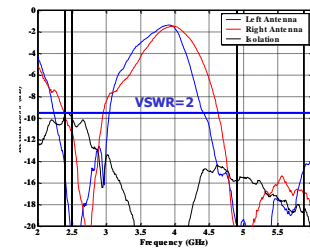
## 4. CAPABILITIES AND MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS

Ignion specializes in the design and manufacture of optimized antennas for wireless applications, and with the provision of RF expertise to a wide range of clients. We offer turn-key antenna products and antenna integration support to minimize your time requirements and maximize return on investment throughout the product development process. We also provide our clients with the opportunity to leverage our in-house testing and measurement facilities to obtain accurate results quickly and efficiently.



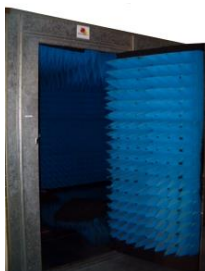
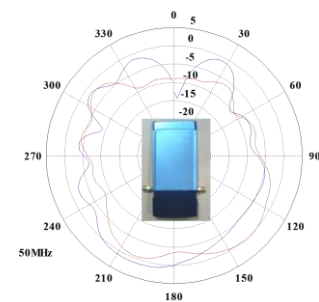
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