

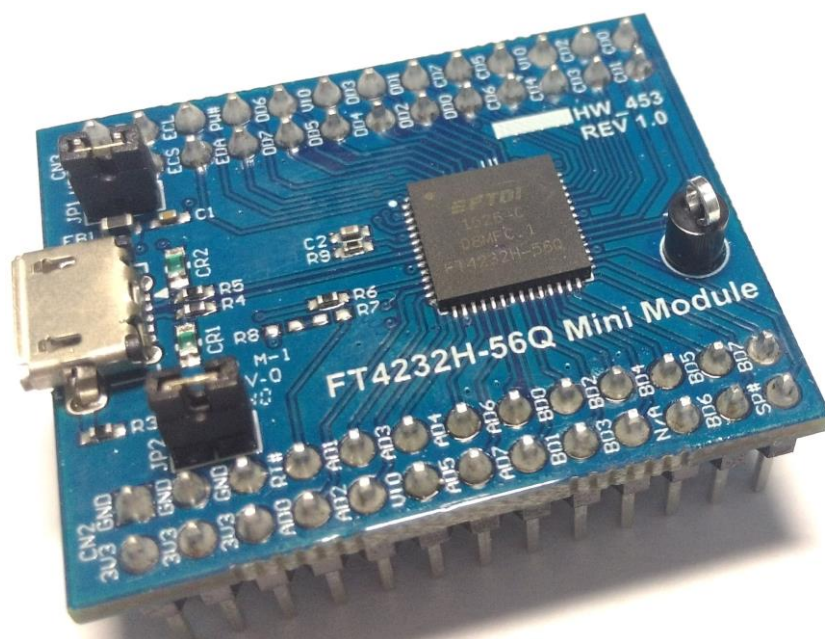
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FT4232H-56Q Mini Module

USB Hi-Speed FT4232H Evaluation

Module

Datasheet



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1 Introduction

The FT4232H-56Q Mini Module is a USB-serial/FIFO development module in the FTDI product range which utilizes the FT4232H-56Q USB Hi-Speed four-port bridge chip which handles all the USB signalling and protocols. It is ideal for development purposes to quickly prove the functionality of adding USB to a target design. Refer to [FT4232H](#) datasheet for more details.

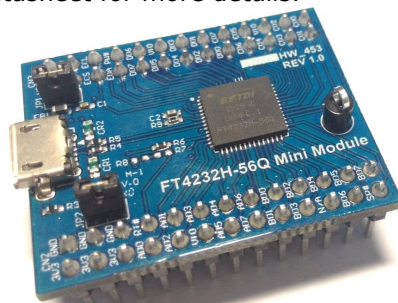


Figure 1.1 FT4232H-56Q Mini Module

The FT4232H-56Q on the Mini Module is FTDI's 5th generation of USB devices. The FT4232H is a USB 2.0 High Speed (480Mb/s) to UART/MPSSE IC. The device features four interfaces that can be independently configured for asynchronous or synchronous serial interfaces. Two of these have an option to independently configure an MPSSE engine. This allows the FT4232H to operate as two UART/Bit-Bang ports plus two MPSSE engines used to emulate JTAG, SPI, I²C, Bit-bang or other synchronous serial modes. All components used, including the FT4232H-56Q are Pb-free (RoHS compliant).

The FT4232H-56Q Mini Module connects the signals of the FT4232H-56Q IC to two 26-pin dual-row headers which allow easy connection to PCB header sockets and ribbon cables.

The FT4232H-56Q Mini Module requires USB device drivers, available free from <http://www.ftdichip.com>, which are used to make the FT4232H-56Q on the Mini Module appear as a four virtual COM ports (VCP). This then allows the user to communicate with the USB interface via a standard PC serial emulation port (TTY). Another FTDI USB driver, the D2XX driver, can also be used with application software to directly access the FT4232H on the Mini Module through a DLL. This is illustrated in Figure 1.2.

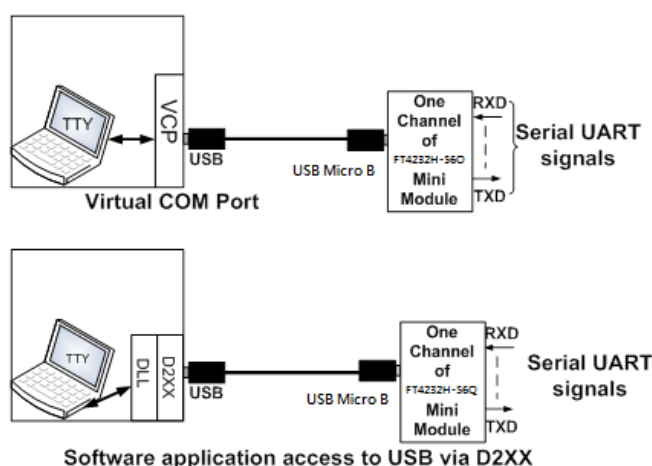


Figure 1.2 Using the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module

Device Drivers for the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module are available free from <http://www.ftdichip.com>.

1.1 USB Compliant

The FT4232H-56Q Mini Modules are fully compliant with the USB 2.0 specification.



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2 Typical Applications

- Rapid USB integration into existing electronic systems.
- Prototyping platform for USB interface on new systems.
- USB to multi-port JTAG, SPI and I²C interfaces (Two Multi-Protocol Synchronous Serial Engines – MPSSE – available with the FT4232H)
- USB to multi-port asynchronous serial interfaces (up to 4 ports available).
- Four independent ports available, two of which may be configured for MPSSE mode.

2.1 Driver Support

Royalty free VIRTUAL COM PORT (VCP) DRIVERS for...

- Windows 10 32,64-bit
- Windows 8/8.1 32,64-bit
- Windows 7 32,64-bit
- Windows Vista and Vista 64-bit
- Windows XP and XP 64-bit
- Windows 98, 98SE, ME, 2000, Server 2003, XP, Server 2008 and server 2012 R2
- Windows XP Embedded
- Windows CE 4.2, 5.0 and 6.0
- Mac OS 8/9, OS-X
- Linux 2.4 and greater

Royalty free D2XX Direct Drivers (USB Drivers + DLL S/W Interface)

- Windows 10 32,64-bit
- Windows 8/8.1 32,64-bit
- Windows 7 32,64-bit
- Windows Vista and Vista 64-bit
- Windows XP and XP 64-bit
- Windows 98, 98SE, ME, 2000, Server 2003, XP, Server 2008 and server 2012 R2
- Windows XP Embedded
- Windows CE 4.2, 5.0 and 6.0
- Linux 2.4 and greater
- Android(J2xx)

The drivers listed above are all available to download for free from www.ftdichip.com.

2.2 Features

The FT4232H-56Q Mini Module has the following features:

- USB 2.0 Hi-Speed compatible
- Reduced development time
- Rapid integration into existing systems
- USB powered – no external power supply needed
- Based on the USB Hi-Speed FT4232H-56Q device
- Entire USB protocol handled by USB module
- Small USB Micro B connector common on many commercial devices
- Asynchronous Serial data transfer rates from 300 baud to 12 Mbaud at TTL levels
- Synchronous Serial (MPSSE) data rates of up to 30Mbps on JTAG, SPI and I²C
- Support for USB suspend and resume
- UHCI / OHCI / EHCI host controller compatible
- -40°C to +85°C operating temperature range
- The FT4232H-56Q is the QFN-56 pin package.

3 Electrical Details

The electrical details and connections to the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module are shown in Figure 3.1 and Table 3.1 and Table 3.2.

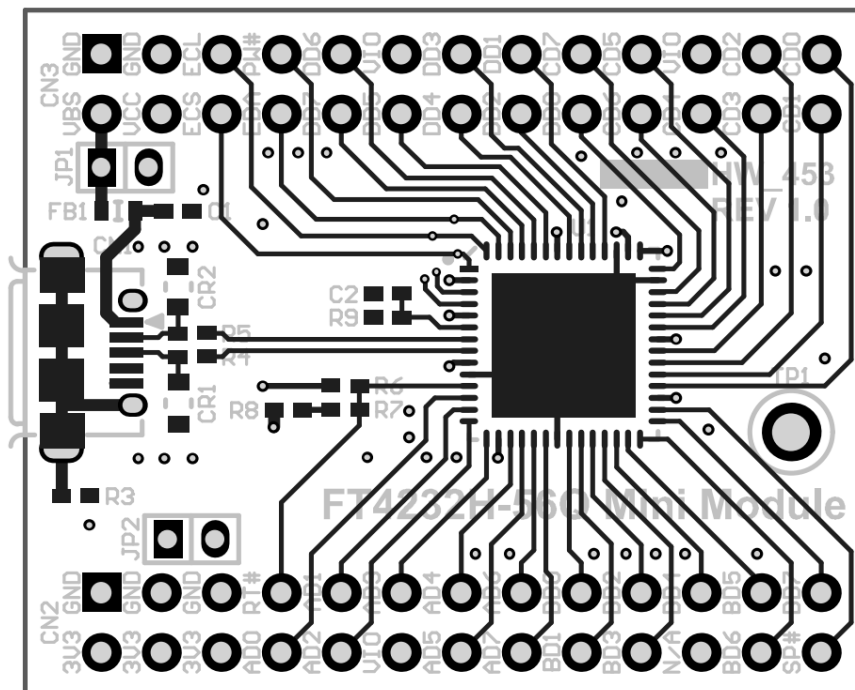


Figure 3.1 FT4232H-56Q Mini Module Electrical Connections (Top View)

Connector Pin	Name	Description
CN2-1	GND	0V Power pin
CN2-2	V3V3	3.3VDC generated from VCC (output)
CN2-3	GND	0V Power pin
CN2-4	V3V3	3.3VDC generated from VCC (output)
CN2-5	GND	0V Power pin
CN2-6	V3V3	3.3VDC generated from VCC (output)
CN2-7	RESET#	FT4232H-56Q RESET# pin
CN2-8	AD0	FT4232H-56Q AD0 pin
CN2-9	AD1	FT4232H-56Q AD1 pin
CN2-10	AD2	FT4232H-56Q AD2 pin
CN2-11	AD3	FT4232H-56Q AD3 pin
CN2-12	VIO	Connected to all FT4232H-56Q VCCIO pins (input)
CN2-13	AD4	FT4232H-56Q AD4 pin
CN2-14	AD5	FT4232H-56Q AD5 pin
CN2-15	AD6	FT4232H-56Q AD6 pin
CN2-16	AD7	FT4232H-56Q AD7 pin
CN2-17	BD0	FT4232H-56Q BD0 pin
CN2-18	BD1	FT4232H-56Q BD1 pin
CN2-19	BD2	FT4232H-56Q BD2 pin
CN2-20	BD3	FT4232H-56Q BD3pin
CN2-21	BD4	FT4232H-56Q BD4 pin
CN2-22	N/A	0
CN2-23	BD5	FT4232H-56Q BD5 pin
CN2-24	BD6	FT4232H-56Q BD6 pin
CN2-25	BD7	FT4232H-56Q BD7 pin
CN2-26	SUSPEND#	FT4232H-56Q SUSPEND# pin

Table 3.1 FT4232H-56Q Mini Module Connection – CN2

Connector Pin	Name	Description
CN3-1	GND	0V Power pin
CN3-2	VBUS	USB VBUS power pin (output)
CN3-3	GND	0V Power pin
CN3-4	VCC	+5V Power pin (input) used to generate V3V3, VPLL and VUSB
CN3-5	CLK	FT4232H-56Q EECLK pin
CN3-6	CS	FT4232H-56Q EECS pin
CN3-7	PWREN#	FT4232H-56Q PWREN#
CN3-8	DATA	FT4232H-56Q EEDATA pin
CN3-9	DD6	FT4232H-56Q DD6 pin
CN3-10	DD7	FT4232H-56Q DD7 pin
CN3-11	VIO	Connected to all FT4232H-56Q VCCIO pins (input)
CN3-12	DD5	FT4232H-56Q DD5 pin
CN3-13	DD3	FT4232H-56Q DD3 pin
CN3-14	DD4	FT4232H-56Q DD4 pin
CN3-15	DD1	FT4232H-56Q DD1 pin
CN3-16	DD2	FT4232H-56Q DD2 pin
CN3-17	CD7	FT4232H-56Q CD7 pin
CN3-18	DD0	FT4232H-56Q DD0 pin
CN3-19	CD5	FT4232H-56Q CD5 pin
CN3-20	CD6	FT4232H-56Q CD6 pin
CN3-21	VIO	Connected to all FT4232H-56Q VCCIO pins (input)
CN3-22	CD4	FT4232H-56Q CD4 pin
CN3-23	CD2	FT4232H-56Q CD2 pin
CN3-24	CD3	FT4232H-56Q CD3 pin
CN3-25	CD0	FT4232H-56Q CD0 pin
CN3-26	CD1	FT4232H-56Q CD1 pin

Table 3.2 FT4232H-56Q Mini Module Connection – CN3

In most cases, the FT4232H-56Q pin is connected directly to the associated pin on CN2 or CN3. The FT4232H-56Q Mini Module allows configuration with both USB Bus-powered designs and USB Self-powered designs:

USB Bus-powered:

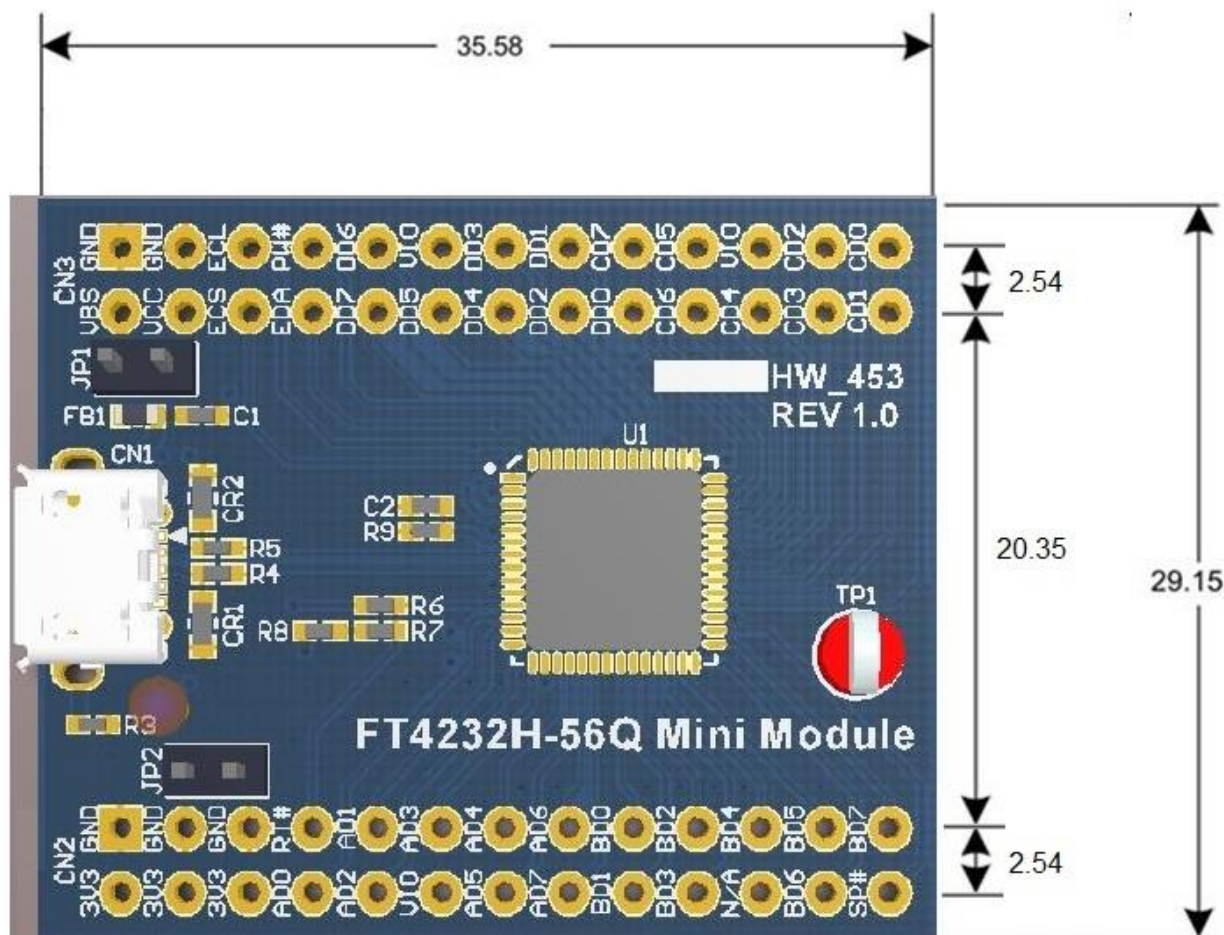
- 1) JP1 is connected VBUS to VCC (CN3, pin 2 to CN3, pin 4).** This connection takes the power from the USB bus (VBUS) and connects it to the voltage regulator input on the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module. The voltage regulator, in turn, provides V3V3, VPLL and VUSB power inputs to the FT4232H-56Q chip.
- 2) JP2 is connected V3V3 to VIO (CN2, pins 2, 4 & 6 to CN2, pins 12 and CN3, pins 11 & 21).** This connection provides the correct 3.3VDC operating voltage for VCCIO on the FT4232H-56Q chip.

USB Self-Powered:

- 1) Remove the JP1 and JP2 jumper.**
- 2) Leave VBUS (CN3, pin 2) unconnected.**
- 3) Connect an external 5.0VDC power supply to VCC (5.0VDC to CN3, pin 4).** This connection takes power from an external power supply and connects it to the voltage regulator input on the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module. See the FT4232H data sheet for allowable VCC input voltage ranges.
- 4) Connect V3V3 to VIO (CN2, pins 2, 4 & 6 to CN2, pins 12 and CN3, pins 11 & 21).** This connection provides the correct 3.3VDC operating voltage for VCCIO on the FT4232H-56Q chip.
- 5) Use FT_Prog to change the USB power descriptor to "Self-Powered".** This setting indicates to the host system that the USB Host port does not need to supply power to the device. FT_Prog is a utility provided by FTDI to program various features of the FT-series USB client ICs. In order to access settings for the FT4232H-56Q, FT_Prog is required. [FT_PROG](#) is available via the [Utilities](#) section of the [FTDI web site](#).

4 Mechanical details

The mechanical details of the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module are shown in Figure 4.1:



5 Schematic Diagram

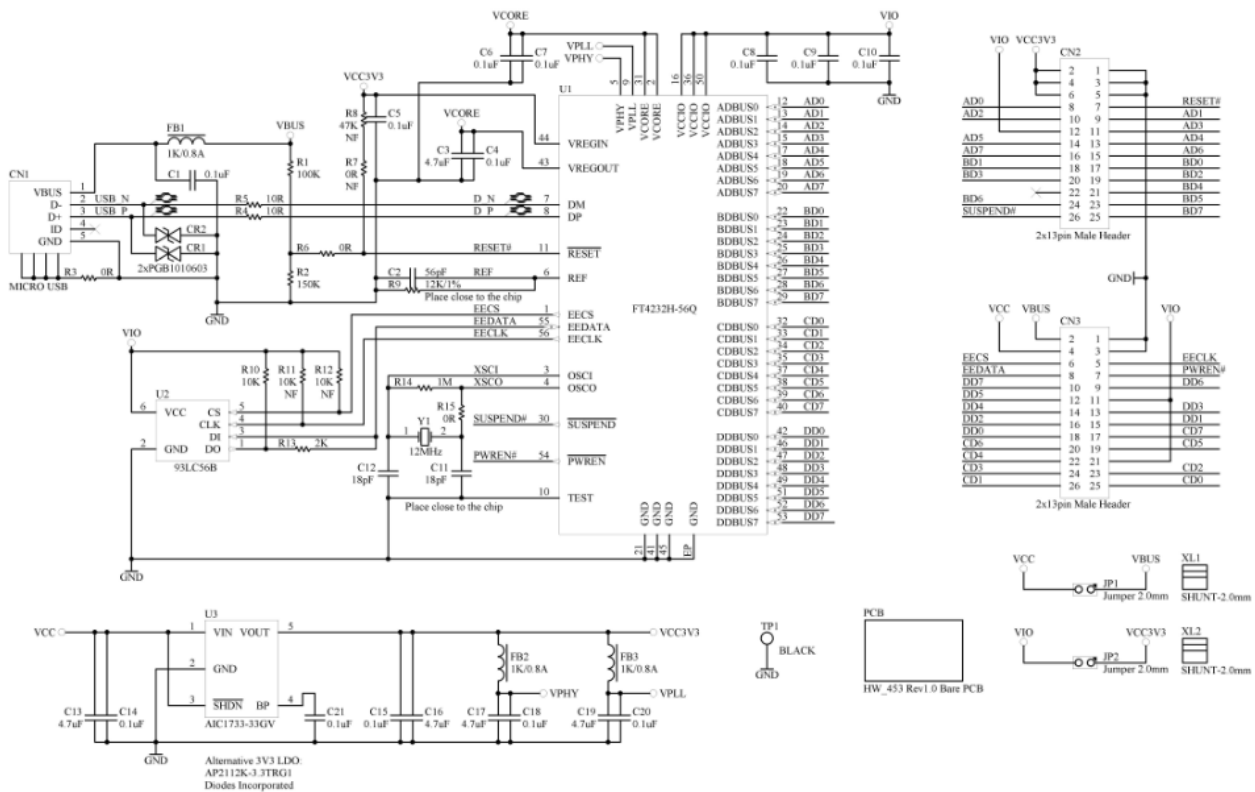


Figure 5.1 FT4232H-56Q Mini Module Schematic

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Appendix A – References

Document References

FT_PROG Utility

http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Utilities.htm#FT_Prog

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Terms	Description
DLL	Dynamic Link Library
EEPROM	Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory
EHCI	Extensible Host Controller Interface
FIFO	First In First Out
IC	Integrated Circuit
I2C	Inter-Integrated Circuit
JTAG	Joint Test Action Group
MPSSE	Multi-Protocol Synchronous Serial Engines
OHCI	Open Host Controller Interface
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
RoHS	Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UHCI	Universal Host Controller Interface
USB	Universal Serial Bus
VBUS	Virtual BUS
VCC	Voltage at the Common Collector
VCP	Virtual COM Ports

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Appendix C – FT4232H EEPROM Configuration

The FT4232H Mini Module utilizes an EEPROM which contains the USB configuration descriptors for the FT4232H. When the Mini Module is plugged into a PC or a USB reset is performed, the PC will read these descriptors. The default values stored into the EEPROM are defined in Table 0.1.

Parameter	Value	Notes
USB Vendor ID (VID)	0403h	FTDI default VID (hex)
USB Product ID (PID)	6011h	FTDI default PID (hex)
Serial Number Enabled?	Yes	
Serial Number	See Note	A unique serial number is generated and programmed into the EEPROM during device final test.
Pull down I/O Pins in USB Suspend	Disabled	Enabling this option will make the device pull down on the UART interface lines when the power is shut off (PWREN# is high).
Manufacturer Name	FTDI	
Product Description	FT4232H-56Q Mini Module	
Max Bus Power Current	500mA	
Power Source	Bus Powered	
Device Type	FT4232H	
USB Version	0200	Returns USB 2.0 device description to the host. Note: The device is being a USB 2.0 Full Speed device (12Mb/s) as opposed to a USB 2.0 High Speed device (480Mb/s).
Remote Wake Up	Enabled	Taking RI# low will wake up the USB host controller from suspend.
High Current I/Os	Enabled	Enables the high drive level on the UART and CBUS I/O pins.
Load VCP Driver	Disabled	Makes the device load the VCP driver interface for the device.

Table 0.1 Default Internal EEPROM Configuration

The EEPROM on the FT4232H-56Q Mini Module can be re-programmed over USB using the utility program FT_PROG. FT_PROG can be downloaded from www.ftdichip.com/Support/Utilities.htm. Users who do not have their own USB Vendor ID but who would like to use a unique Product ID in their design can apply to FTDI for a free block of unique PIDs. Contact FTDI support for this service.

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