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1 Basic Information

Grundlegende Hinweise

The device must be repaired only by trained specialist staff or personnel with professional formation (such as a repair-specialist accredited by law concerning verification).

The service manual is obligatory for repair work.

After repair, original conditions of the device have to be restored.

Only original spare parts should be used.

Das Gerät darf nur von geschultem oder beruflich ausgebildetem Fachpersonal (z. B. eichrechtlich anerkannter Instandsetzer) repariert werden.

Die Serviceanleitung ist bindend für Reparaturen.

Das Gerät muss nach erfolgter Reparatur wieder in den Originalzustand zurückversetzt werden.

Es dürfen nur Originalersatzteile verwendet werden.

2 Introduction

2.1 Features

- Full Tare
- Memory function with indicator
- Stable indicator
- Negative value indication
- Two types of Digital Auto Calibration
- Solder pads to prevent end-user internal calibration
- RS232 interface, printing function
- Custom scale by going through SET manual
 - Multiple serial interface modes
 - Different communication baud rates selectable
 - Auto off enable / disable
 - Zero tracking enable / disable
 - Multiple calibration weight selectable
 - Backlight selectable
- Pre-Tare function
- Animal weighing mode
- Low battery indicator
- Auto off function (battery mode only)
- AC adaptable
- Display segment test function
- Overload protection
- Optional rechargeable battery

2.2 Digital Auto Calibration Procedure

1. Turn balance on and allow the unit to acclimatize and stabilize for 30 minutes.
2. Select the calibration weight through the manual with [Print], [Mode/Cal] and [Set/M] keys.
3. Press and hold the [Mode/Cal] key until the display shows a flashing weight reading. The flashing weight reading indicates the correct weight that must be placed on the weighing pan.
4. Gently place the correct calibration weight on the center on the weighing pan. With the display still flashing, press the [Set/M] key.
5. The display will now show [Cal F] and then return to normal operating mode. The calibration is complete when the display correctly shows the weight that is placed on the weighing pan while the display has stabilized.
6. Remove the calibration weight and press the [TARE] key to reset the zero point.

In case [CAL E] is displayed instead of [CAL F], this indicates a calibration procedure error. Turn the scale off and then on and repeat the procedure.

2.3 Internal Calibration Procedure

1. Remove the top housing of the scale.
2. Connect **J3** on the main board by soldering the pads together. (**J4** for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5)
3. Place scale on a hard level surface. With weighing pan installed, turn balance on. Display shall show the internal counts.
4. The internal counts shall fall in the range from **60 000 to 85 000** (**70 000 to 300 000** for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5). In case out of this range, connect **J10** left side or right side (**J6** for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5) to increase or reduce the reading. Connecting or disconnecting pads on **J7, J8 or J9 (J2, J3, J4 or J5** for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5) can fine tune the reading.
5. Press [Set/M] key once. Display will show [CAL 0] and then the required calibration weight. Place the corresponding calibration weight on the center of the weighing plate. Press [Set/M] again while the weight placed on the weighing pan is stable.
6. Display will now show [CAL 1] and then the next calibration weight. Place the corresponding calibration weight on the weighing plate. Repeat this step until display shows [CAL F]. Remove all weights from weighing pan. Display shall return to zero.
7. Reset the zero point and check the accuracy at different weight.
8. Disconnect J3 (**J4** for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5).
9. Install the top housing of scale.

In case [CAL E] is display instead of [CAL F], this indicates a calibration procedure error, or wrong weight applied for calibration.

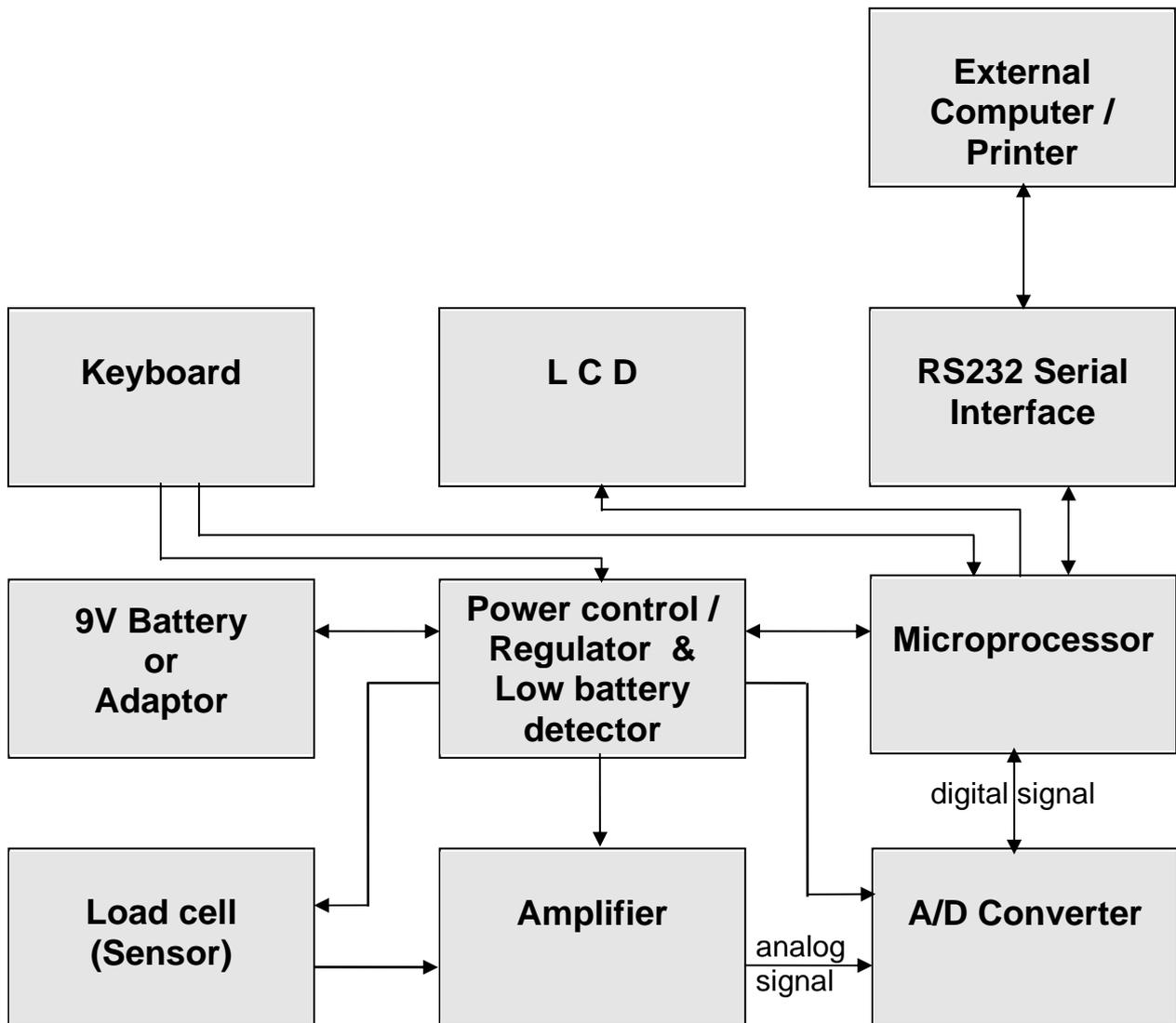
Turn the scale off and then on and repeat the procedure.

2.4 Display Segment Test

Whenever the scale is power on, all segments of the LCD will be turn on for 4 seconds. Check for any missing segment.

3 Functional Block Diagram / Description

3.1 Functional Block Diagram



3.2 Function Description

1. **Load cell**

This is the heart of the whole system. The load cell itself is arranged as a bridge. The resistance change of the bridge elements is proportional to the load applied on the load cell. Therefore, the output of the load cell is an analog signal, which is proportional to the load applied on the scale.

2. **Amplifier**

The analog signal from the load cell is very small, of the order of micro-volt. Hence, a linear and stable amplifier is applied to amplify the analog signal to an appropriate level.

3. **A/D Converter**

In order for the analog signal can be input to the microprocessor, this part converts the analog signal to its digital equivalent. The operation of the analog to digital converter is using a SIGMA DELTA technique and under the control of the microprocessor.

4. **Microprocessor**

The microprocessor control all the functions of the scale, such as auto zero, A/D conversion, timings, weight calculation, unit conversion, and display, parts counting, percentage weight, RS232 interface, overload indication, low battery indication, tare / memory function, etc....

5. **Display**

This is the part where the weight is shown out on the LCD display in digital form. The whole display is driven by the microprocessor.

6. **Power Regulator and Low Battery Detector**

This part contains the ON/OFF power control. In order for the external power can be used by other parts of the scale, a regulator is used to regulate the supply. A low battery detector is employed to make sure that the power supply is strong enough for normal operation of the scale. If rechargeable battery is installed, it can be charged up by the charging circuit.

7. **Keyboard**

The keyboard provides on user interface. [On/Off], [Mode/Cal], [Set/M], [Print] and [Tare] keys are employed to operate the scale.

8. **RS232 Interface**

The RS232 serial interface provides the communication to the external computer or printer.

4 Trouble Shooting

Power on



Full Segments?

If no display, check battery /adaptor; connection between keyboard—main board, battery/adaptor—main board.
If missing segments, check fixing of LCD frame, zebra connector under LCD.



Display Zero?

If display [LO], check battery >7.5v, adaptor >9v.
If display [E] , check internal count.



Proper readout?

If unstable reading, check weighing plate, overload stopper, load cell and wires, environmental conditions and stable table.



Correct reading?

If not accurate, perform internal calibration.
If cannot reach full capacity, check weighing plate, overload stopper, load cell and internal zero point.
If always zero, check internal zero point. Internal calibration if necessary.



Proper Data to External Device?

If external device not response, check correct RS232 cable and connection, application software running correctly, wires connecting D-sub connector and main PCB.



Normal operation.

5 To Replace PCB

1. Disassemble top housing of scale.
2. Disconnect PL1, PL2, PL3 and JP2 from the PCB.
Disassemble the ground wire screw.
Replace a new PCB. Connect PL1, PL2, PL3 and JP2 again.
Assemble the ground wire with screw.
3. Assemble the top housing.
4. Perform internal calibration as described in section 2.
5. Check accuracy of scale at different weight.

FCB6K1		FCB12K1		FCB15K5		FCB24K1		FCB24K2	
weight (g)	tol. (g)	weight (g)	tol. (g)	weight (g)	tol. (g)	weight (g)	tol. (g)	weight (g)	tol. (g)
1000	3	2000	3	1000	15	5000	3	5000	6
2000	3	4000	3	5000	15	10000	3	10000	6
4000	3	8000	3	10000	15	15000	3	15000	6
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10000	30	2000	0.3	2000	1.5	10000	3	3000	0.3
15000	30	3000	0.3	4000	1.5	15000	3	5000	0.3
20000	30			5000	1.5	20000	3	7000	0.3
24000	30			6000	1.5	30000	4	8000	0.3
FCB16K0.2		FCB30K0.5							
weight (g)	tol. (g)	weight (g)	tol. (g)						
1000	0.4	5000	1						
5000	0.6	10000	1.5						
10000	0.6	15000	1.5						
15000	0.6	20000	1.5						
16000	0.6	30000	2						

6. Check other functions, such as Tare, Memory, Print, Mode, and Auto-Off.

6 To Replace Load Cell Assembly

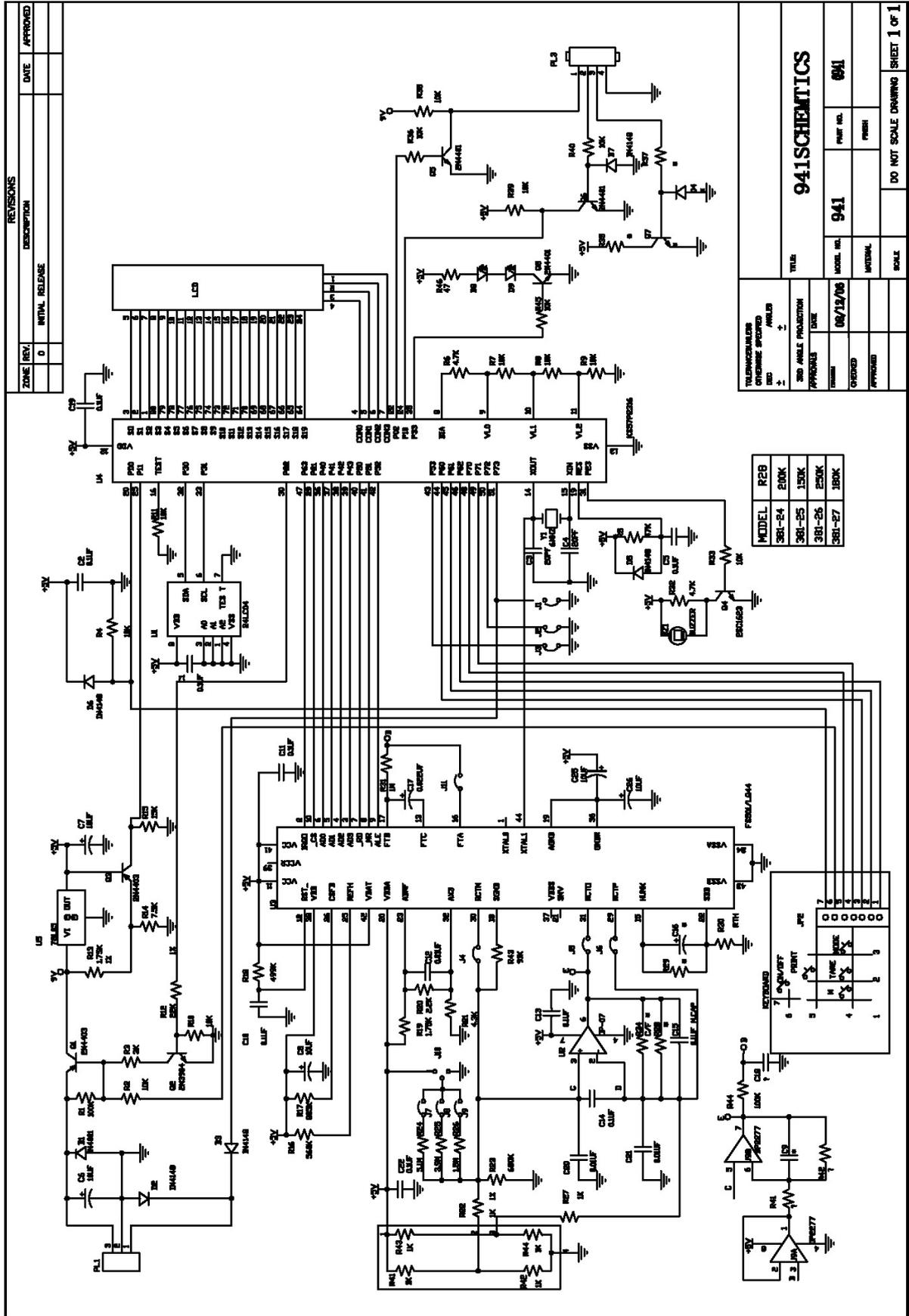
1. Disassemble top housing of scale.
2. Disconnect PL2 (SENSOR for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5) from main PCB. Remove the four screws fixing the bottom plate of the load cell assembly. Replace the load cell with a new one.
Connect PL2 (SENSOR for FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2 and FCB 30K0.5) and fix the four screws.
3. Put 110% full capacity loading onto weight stand of scale. Adjust the overload screws on the weight stand until they just not touch the bottom plate.
4. Assemble the top housing.
5. Perform internal calibration as described in section 2.
6. Check accuracy of scale at different weight.

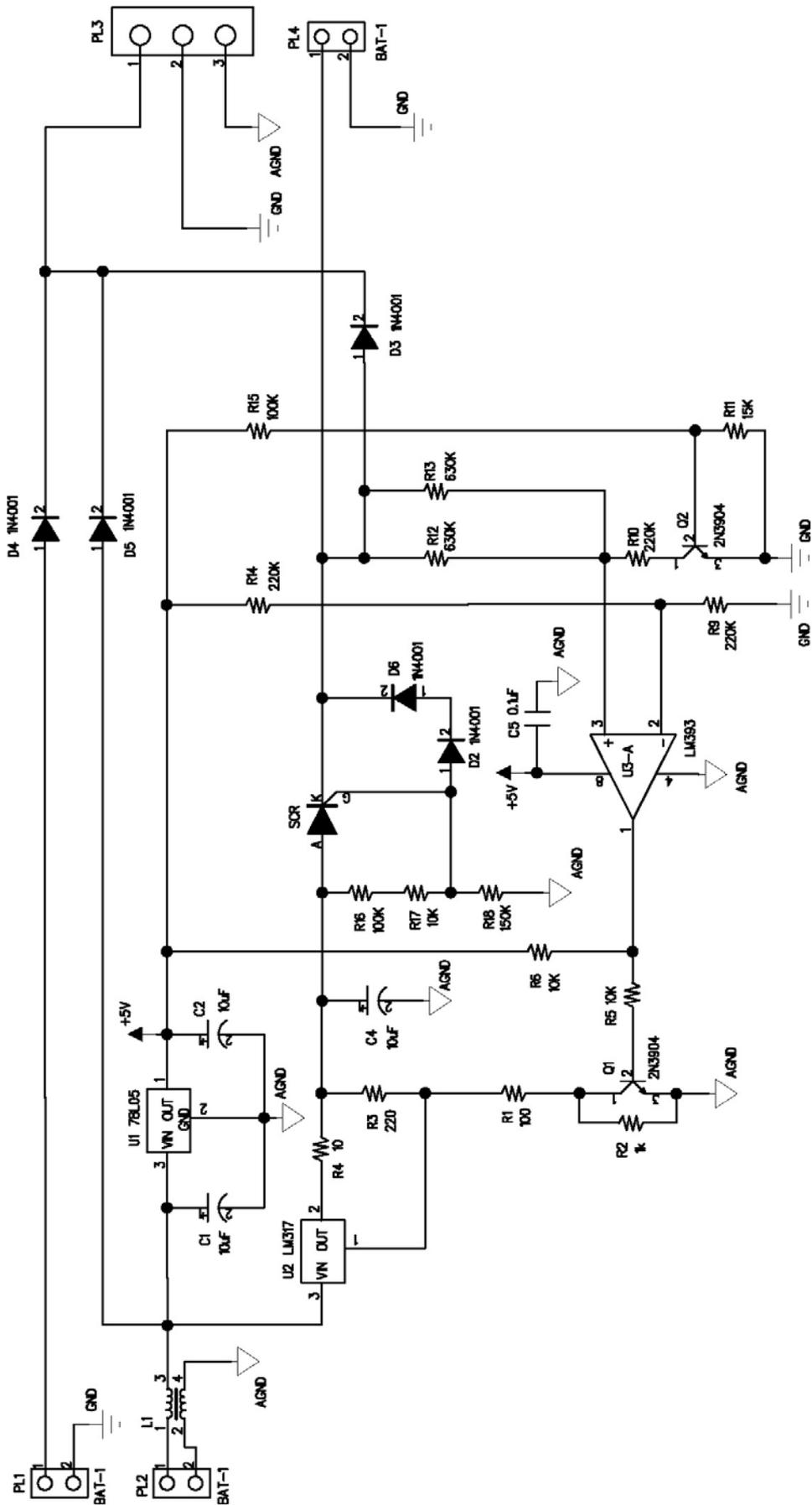
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24000	30			6000	1.5	30000	4	8000	0.3
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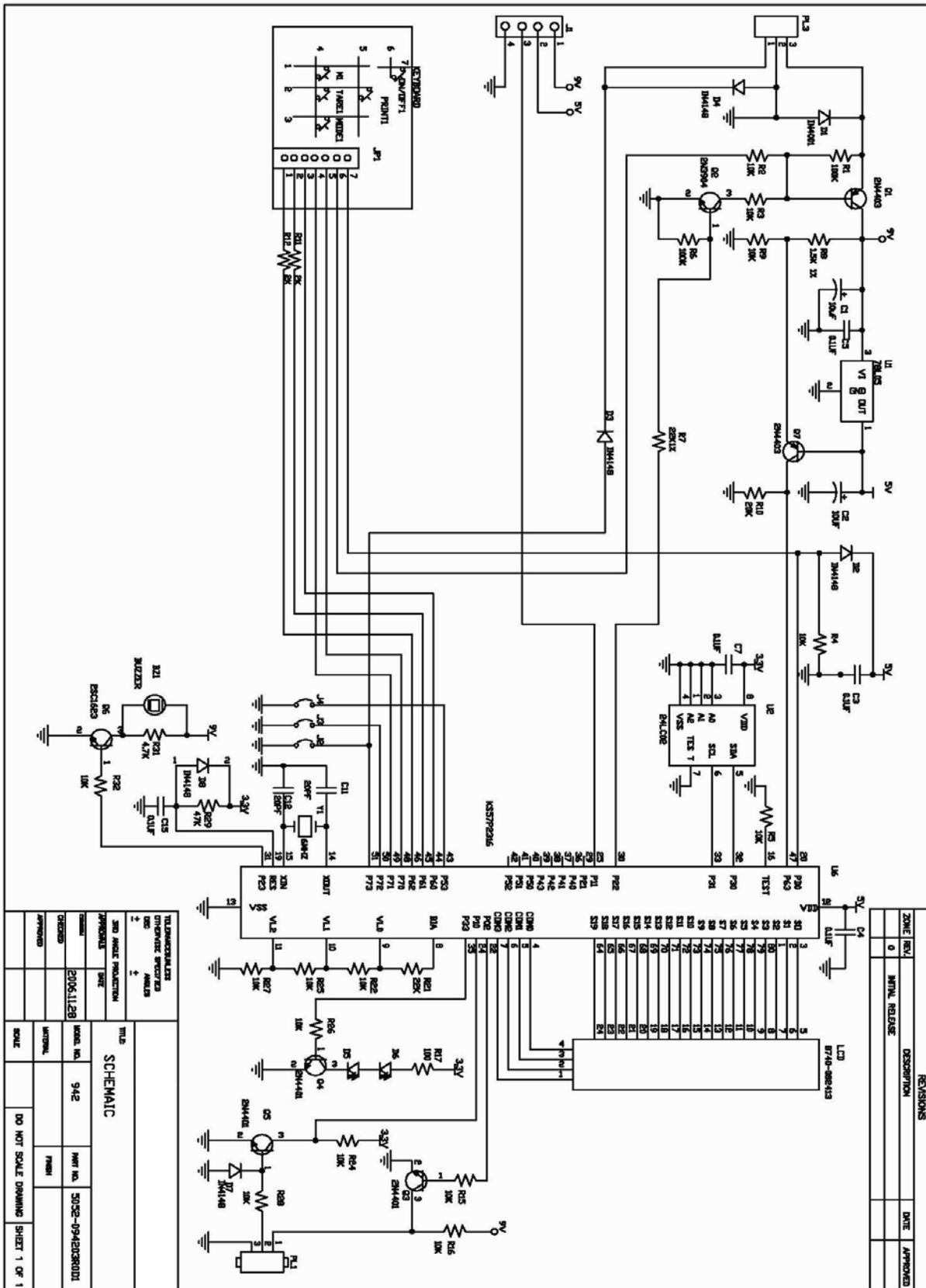
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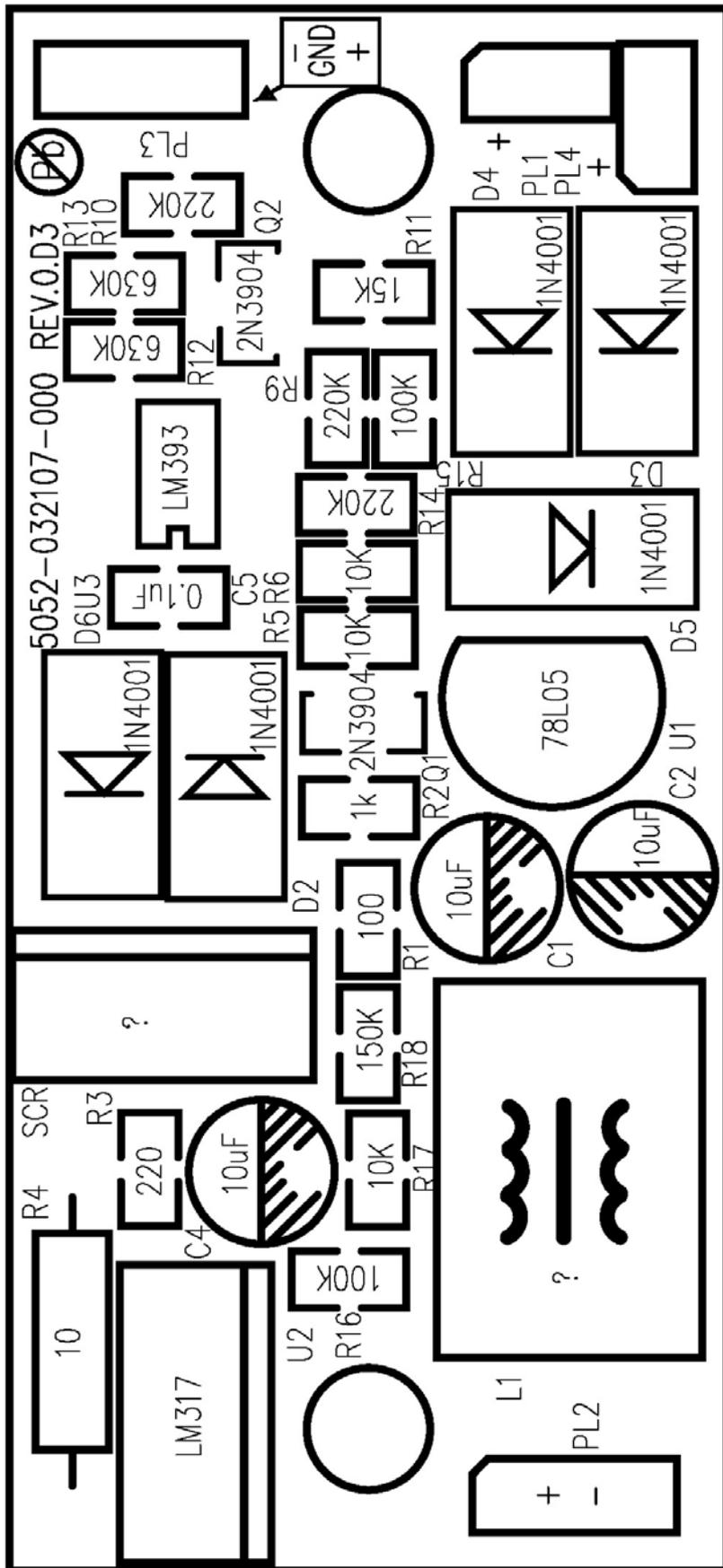
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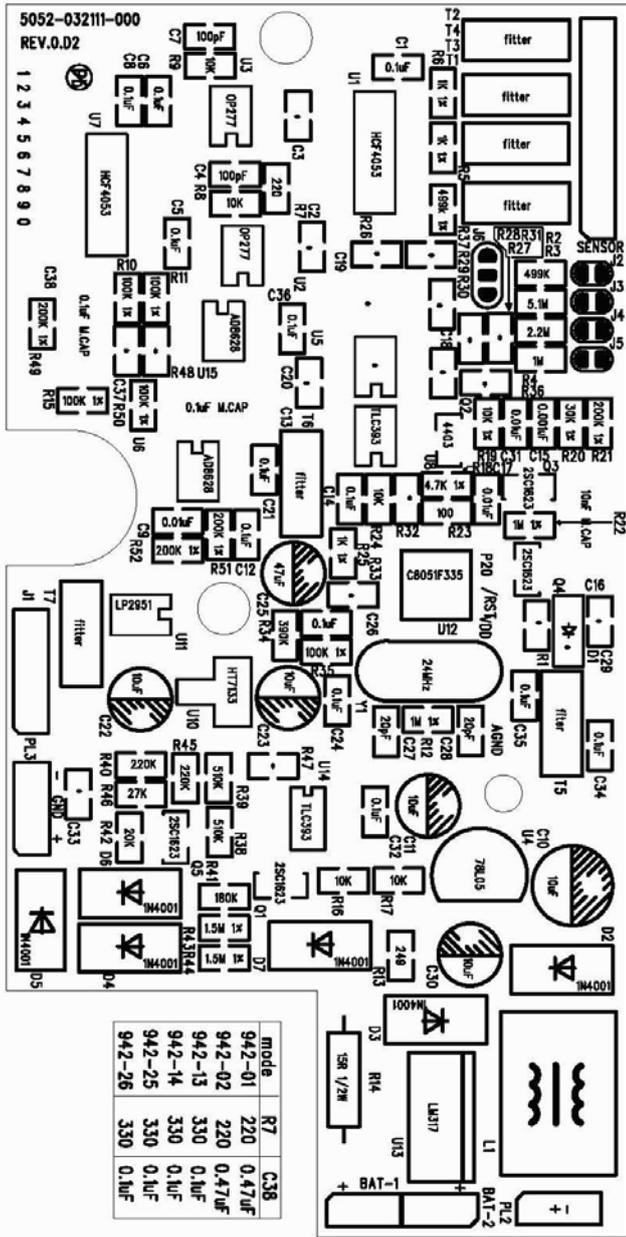




FCB 8K0.1, FCB 16K0.2, FCB 30K0.5







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