

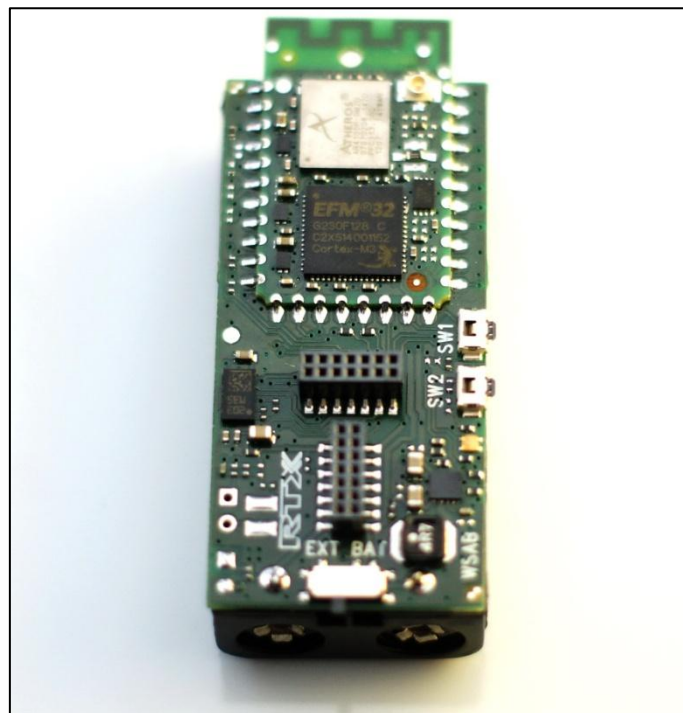
RTX41xx

Wireless Sensor Application Board (WSAB)

Variants covered by this document:

RTX4100-WSAB

RTX4140-WSAB



User Guide

WSAB

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1 Introduction

1.1 General Description

The RTX41xx (RTX4100 or RTX4140) Wi-Fi Module is a small form-factor, single stream, 802.11b/g/n Wi-Fi module with on-board low power application processor. It is targeted at applications that send infrequent data packets over the network. Typically, 802.11 applications addressed by a RTX41xx module will place a priority on low power consumption, ease of development, and system integration.

This document serves as a manual for the Wi-Fi Sensor Application Board (WSAB). The WSAB is as a carrier board for the RTX41xx module to enable the user with a hardware platform for evaluation, application software development and rapid application hardware prototyping.

1.2 Module variants covered by this document

This document covers Wireless Sensor Application Boards (WSABs) based on both the RTX4100 and RTX4140 WiFi modules (RTX4100-WSAB and RTX4140-WSAB).

1.3 Document History

V1.3 Added RTX4140	TM	2013-06-06
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1.4 SW/HW Version

This document is applicable for the following versions.

- WSAB version V3RA

1.5 Document References

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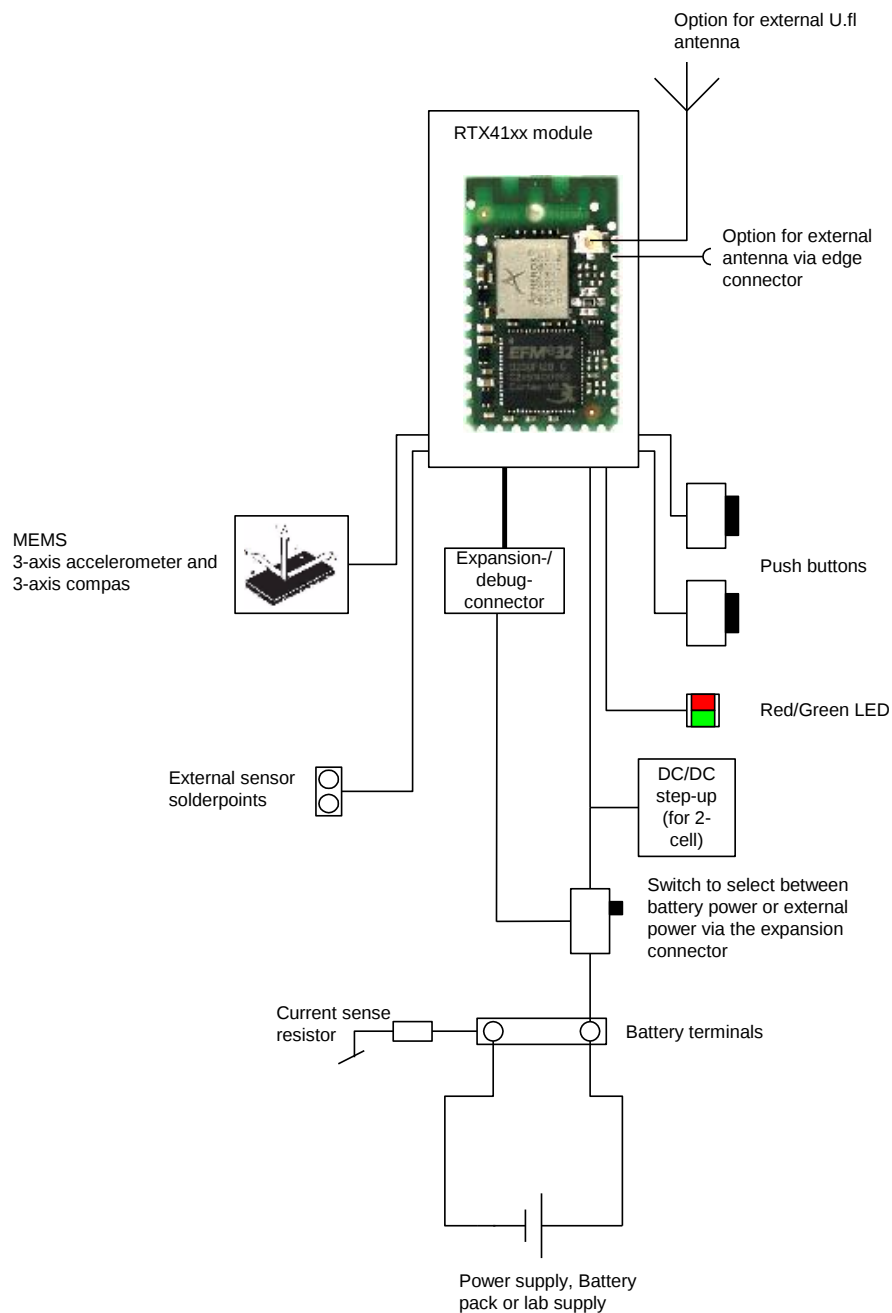
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2 Features

The Wi-Fi Sensor Application Board includes the following features.

- **RTX41xx module:** The RTX41xx Wi-Fi Module small form-factor, single stream, 802.11b/g/n Wi-Fi module with on-board low power application processor.
- **Two push buttons:** Two push buttons readable from RTX41xx pin. Can be used for application user interface and development.
- **Dual color LED (Red/Green):** LED controllable by RTX41xx pin. Can be used for application user interface and development
- **External sensor solder points:** Connection point for external resistive transducer, connected to RTX41xx ADC and analog comparator inputs. Can be used for connection of light sensor photo diode, NTC resistor etc.
- **MEMS (Micro Electro-Machanical System):** 3-axis accelerometer and 3-axis compass. Can be used to implement mechanical sensor and positioning applications.
- **2x14 pin expansion-/debug-connector:** Expansion connector, with all RTX41xx IO's available (except pin 29), for adding customized application add-on boards. Can be used for adding new sensor devices, power supplies etc. The connector also serves as a connection to the USB controller cable used by the EVK, see reference ([UG1]) . The connector also enables the WSAB to be placed in the WSAB Docking Station, enabling a full development environment, see reference ([UG7]).
- **Power supply:** The power supply supports multiple battery options as well as a lab supply for development.
- **Current sensing resistor:** A resistor in the ground path of the external power supply enables characterization of the current profile of the application simply using an oscilloscope.
- **Small form factor:** 25x53mm (25x59mm including RTX4100 module)

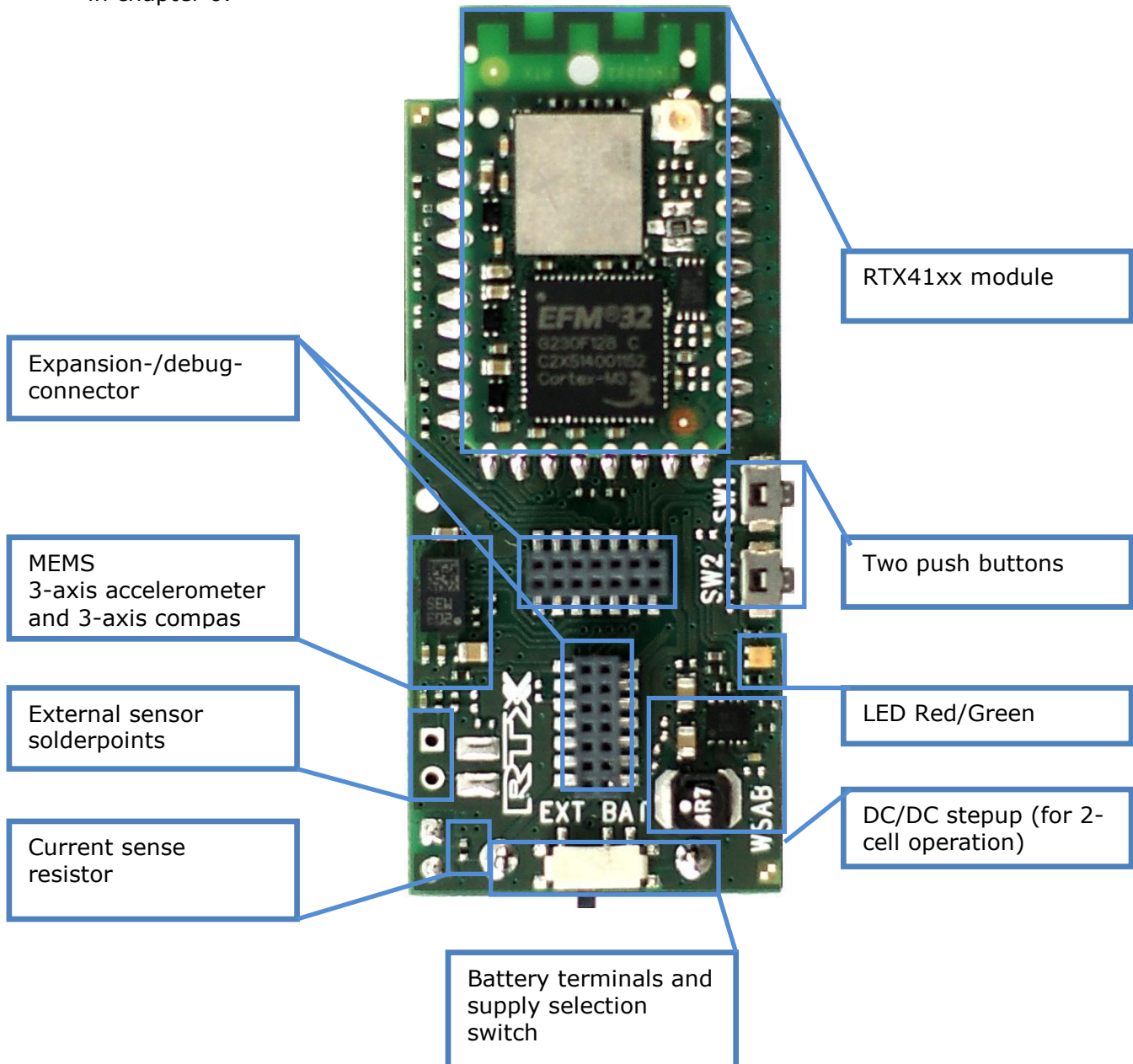
3 WSAB Block Diagram



Figur 1 WSAB blockdiagram, see section 6 for alternative antenna options

4 Hardware Layout

The layout of the WSAB is shown below. See detailed component placing and schematics in chapter 0.



5 Power Supply

The board supports battery power or external power. The two sources are selected by a switch SW3, see component drawing in section 10.

In all power supply configurations the operating voltage requirements stated in the RTX4100 module datasheet must be respected, see ([DS1]).

5.1 Battery Powered

With SW3 set to BAT the battery terminals BAT+ and BAT- supplies the board from the batteries inserted in the battery compartment. BAT+ is the positive supply connection, and BAT- is the negative supply connection.

The board can be configured in two power supply configurations which are described in the following two sections. The WSAB is delivered in low voltage power supply configuration (also referred to as 2-cell).

5.1.1 Low Voltage Power Supply Configuration (Default configuration: 2-cell)

The low voltage power supply configuration supplies parts of the internal module directly (VCC1) from the battery and other parts from the DC/DC step-up converter (VCC2) implemented on the WSAB. The minimum input voltage in this configuration is 2.1V.

Recommended battery configurations include but are not limited to:

- 2x AAA alkaline ($V_{nom}=2 \times 1.5V$)
- 2x AA alkaline ($V_{nom}=2 \times 1.5V$)

5.1.2 Direct Power Supply Configuration (3-cell)

In the direct power supply configuration the battery terminals are supplying the module directly on both module supplies VCC1 and VCC2.

Recommended battery configurations include but are not limited to:

- 3x AAA alkaline ($V_{nom}=3 \times 1.5V$)
- 3x AA alkaline ($V_{nom}=3 \times 1.5V$)
- 1x Li-ion rechargeable batteries ($V_{nom}=3.7V$)

To use the direct power supply configuration the following modifications are needed :

- Un-mount R8
- Move zero ohm size 0402 resistor from position R18 to R17

see component drawing in in section 10.

5.2 External Power

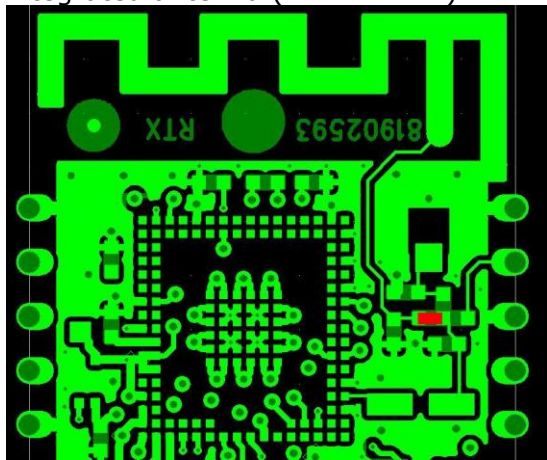
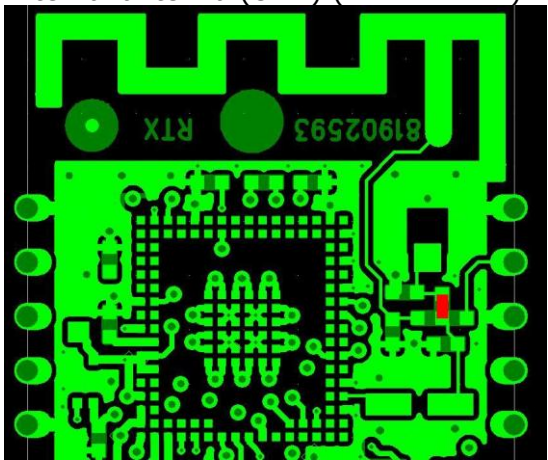
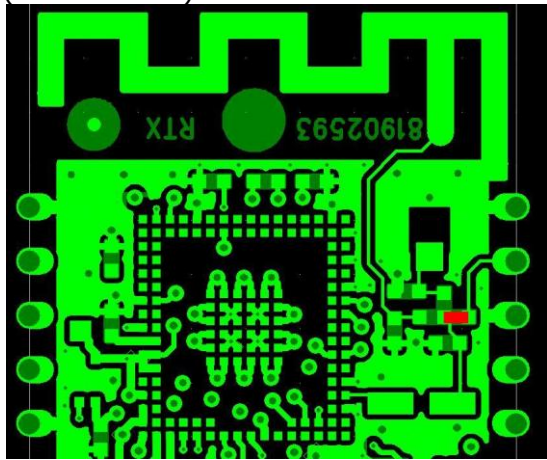
With SW3 set to EXT the board is supplied from the Expansion connector, this setting should be used when the board should be powered from the WSAB Docking Station, see reference ([UG7]).

6 Antenna Configuration

The RTX4100 module has an integrated antenna and an option for external antennas on either a U.fl coaxial connector or an edge connector. The module is in its default configuration set to use the integrated antenna.

How to change the antenna configuration between internal and external antenna is described in the figure below.

A number of 2.4GHz WiFi antennas using the U.FL connector are available from different vendors.

Integrated antenna (RTX41xx-IN)  Mount 3.3 nH chip inductor 0402 (Murata LQG15HS3N3S02x) in above marked position to enable the internal antenna. This is the default configuration of the module hardware.	External antenna (U.FL) (RTX41xx-EX)  Mount 0 ohm resistor size 0402 in above marked position to enable U.FL antenna connector. U.FL connector type: Manufacturer: Amphenol Order number: A-1JB
External antenna (Edge connector) (RTX4100-EC)  Mount 0 ohm resistor size 0402 in above marked position to enable the external edge connector.	(empty)

7 RTX41xx Module Connections

The table below shows the RTX4100 module pin connections on the WSAB and their intended function. All module pins (except pin29) are available on the expansion connector, see section 8. For additional information please see the RTX4100 and RTX4140 datasheets, reference ([DS1]) and ([DS2]).

Module Pin no.	Type	Module pin name	WSAB function
1	GND	GND	GND
2	I/O	PA0	I2C_SDA, for MEMS (IC3)
3	I/O	PA1	I2C_SCL, for MEMS (IC3)
4	VCC2	VCC2	Supplied by +3V5 output from DC/DC stepup (2-cell) Can be supplied from VBAT+ (3-cell) See section 5.1
5	GND	GND	GND
6	VCC1	VCC1	Battery supply input VBAT+
7	O	VIO	Used as. -Reference for resistive sensor -Supply for MEMS -Pull up for DBG_SWDIO
8	I/O	PA3/PC1	US1_RX UART_RX signal used for eg. CoLA application download and debugging via USB virtual COM port.
9	I/O	PA4/PC0	US1_TX UART_TX signal used for eg. CoLA application download and debugging via USB virtual COM port.
10	I/O	PB7	Unused
11	I/O	PB8	Unused
12	GND	GND	GND
13	I	RESETn	Unused
14	I/O	PB12	INT1 for MEMS (IC3)
15	I/O	PB13	Enable signal for DC/DC stepup (used in 2-cell configuration, see section 5.1)
16	I/O	PB14	INT2 for MEMS (IC3)
17	GND	GND	GND
18	I/O	PD5	Input from push button SW1
19	I/O	PC6	LEU1_TX Low energy UART_TX signal used for terminal demo application via USB virtual COM port
20	I/O	PC7	LEU1_RX Low energy UART_RX signal used for terminal demo application via USB virtual COM port
21	I/O	PC5/PB11	DRDY for MEMS (IC3)
22	I/O	PC4/PD4	ADC0_CH4, ADC input for external sensor
23	I/O	PC2	Output for Red LED (D3)
24	I/O	PC3	Input from push button SW2
25	I/O	PF0	DBG_SWCLK, advanced debug interface clock (requires purchase of RTX2040 Unity-II debugger)
26	I/O	PF1	DBG_SWDIO, advanced debug interface data IO (requires purchase of RTX2040 Unity-II debugger)

27	I/O	PF2	Output for Green LED (D3)
28	GND	GND	GND
29	I/O	ANT	Unused
30	GND	GND	GND

8 Expansion-/Debug-connector

The expansion connector, with all RTX41xx IO's available, can be used for adding customized application add-on boards. eg. adding new sensor devices, power supplies etc. The connector also serves as the connection to the WSAB Docking Station and the terminal cable supplied with the EVK, see application development guide ([UG3]). The below table shows the pinout of the expansion-/debug-connector.

J6 Pin no.	Type	Module pin name	WSAB function
1	O	RESETn	See section 7
2	I/O	PA0	See section 7
3	I/O	PB12	See section 7
4	I/O	PA1	See section 7
5	I/O	PB8	See section 7
6	I/O	PA3/PC1	See section 7
7	GND	GND	See section 7
8	I/O	PA4/PC0	See section 7
9	I/O	PB13	See section 7
10	I/O	PB7	See section 7
11	I/O	PB14	See section 7
12	GND	GND	AGND Analog ground may be used as reference for RTX4100 analog I/O's
13	I/O	PC5/PB11	See section 7
14	I/O	PC4/PD4	See section 7

J5 Pin no.	Type	Module pin name	WSAB function
1	Power	VIO	VDD_EFM VIO reference voltage.
2	Power	VCC2(*)	+3V5 Step up voltage
3	I/O	PD5	See section 7
4	I/O	PF2	See section 7
5	I/O	PF1	See section 7
6	I/O	PF0	See section 7
7	I/O	PC3	See section 7
8	I/O	PC2	See section 7
9	I/O	PC7	See section 7
10	I/O	PC6	See section 7
11	Power		VEXT Supply input from WSAB Docking Station. Set SW 3 in position EXT to use this supply for the WSAB.
12	GND	GND	
13	Power		VBAT- negative battery terminal

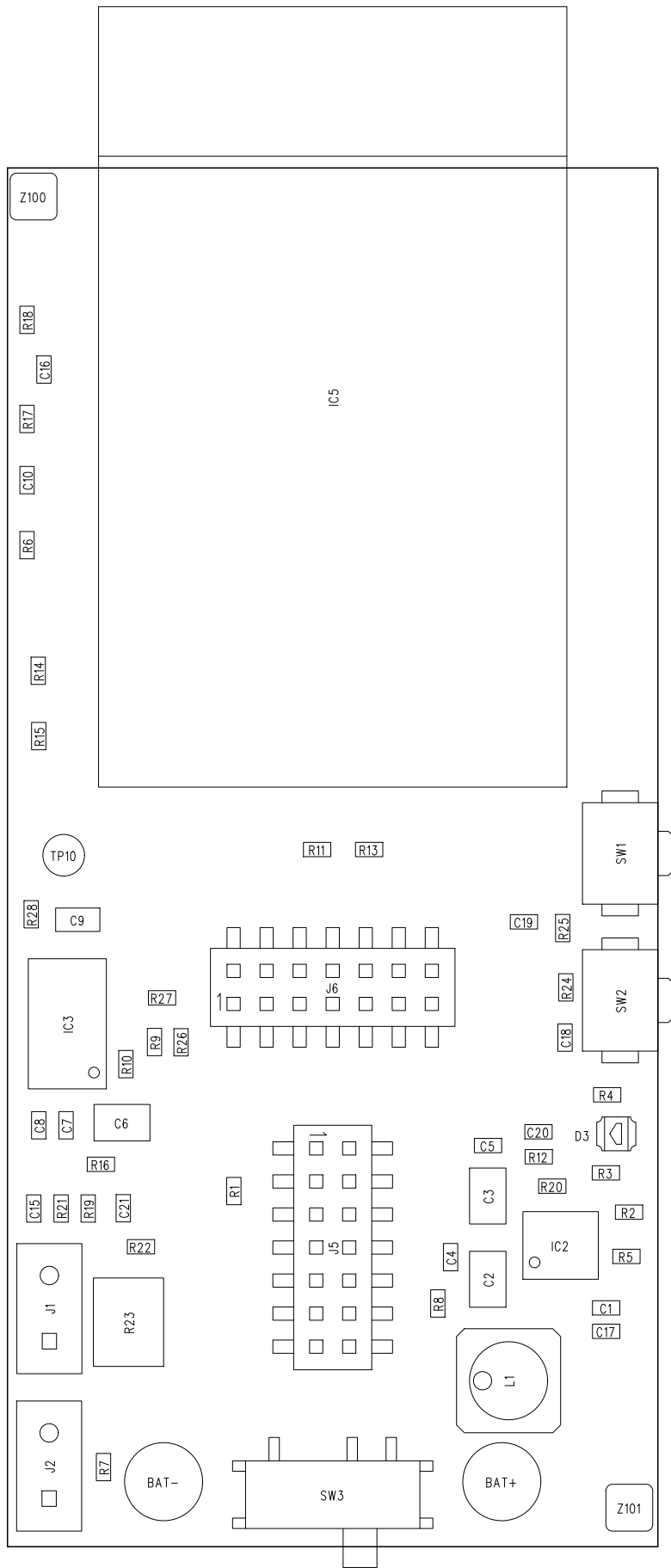
14	Power		VBAT+ positive battery terminal
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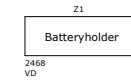
(*) Only valid when WSAB is configured for 2-cell operation. 2-cell operation is the default configuration.

9 Current Profile Measurements

The current sensing resistor ($R7=0,1\text{ Ohm}$) is placed in the ground path of the battery terminals. This provides the option of characterizing the current profile of the application simply by using an oscilloscope. Measurements can be done between J2 solder points using a 1x probe. Connect the probe ground to the square pad of J2 and the probe tip to the round pad of J2. A momentary current of 100mA will translate to -10mV on the oscilloscope. Therefore the signal should be inverted in the oscilloscope channel setup. The measurements can be used to profile or watch the active current consumption when developing and testing applications. Due to the low value of the resistor the measurements are only valid in active states with Wi-Fi activity. Sleep currents are too low to measure using the current sensing resistor, and should be done by other means.

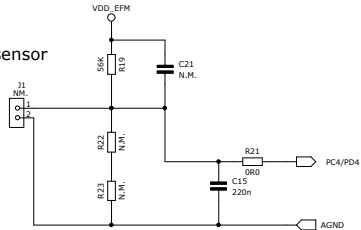
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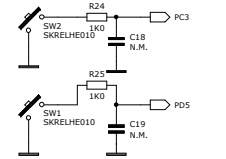


2xAAA (2.0V to 3.0V)
3xAAA (3.0V to 4.5V)

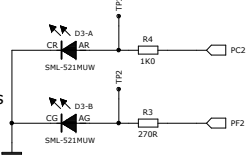
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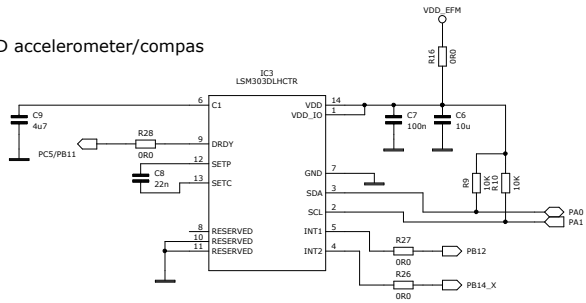
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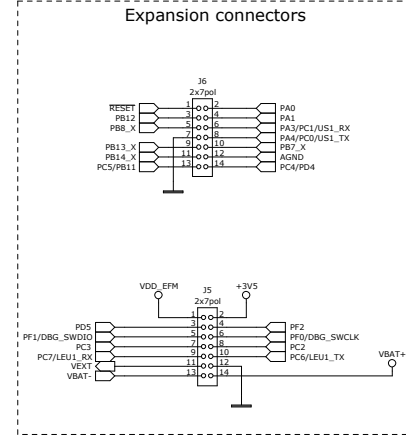
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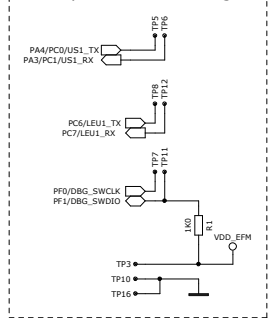
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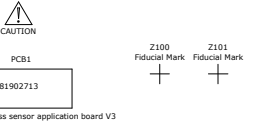
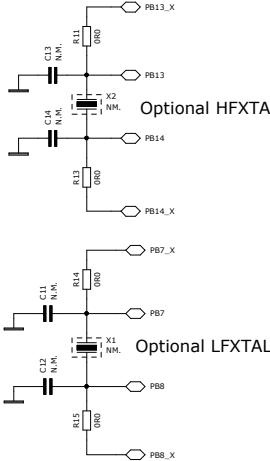


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11 Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in this document:

API	Application Programming Interface
BSP	Board Support Package
CoLA	Co-Located Application
GPIO	General Purpose Input/Output
MCU	Micro Controller Unit
RTOS	Real-Time Operating System
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
WEP	Wired Equivalent Privacy
Wi-Fi	Wireless Fidelity
WPA	Wi-Fi Protected Access
WPS	Wi-Fi Protected Setup

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