

Home Healthcare Assistant

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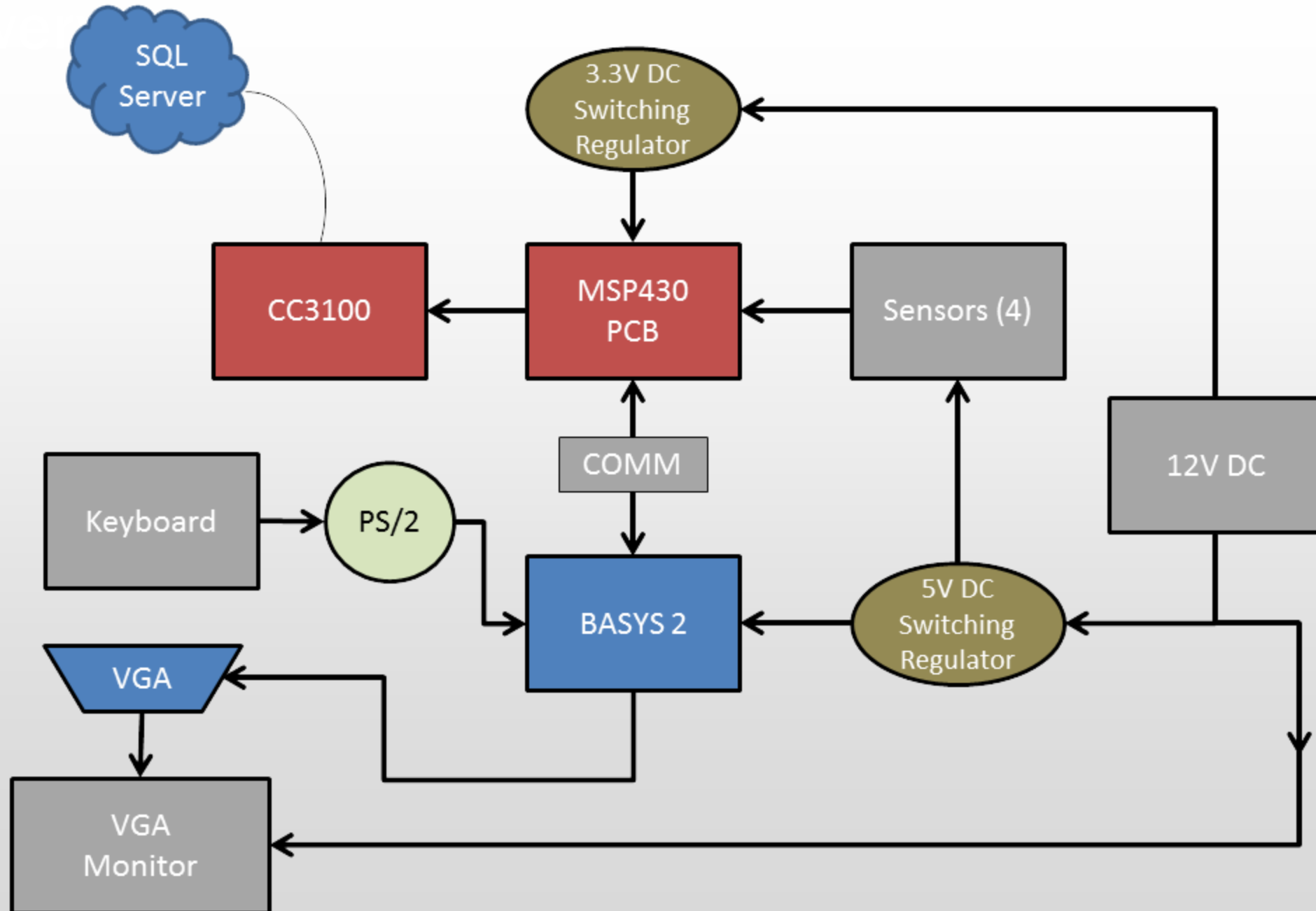
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Project Motivation and Goals

- Create an all-inclusive device that will read in multiple types of vitals
- Transmit readings to a central database
- Explore and gain experience in working within our areas of interest for personal and career growth
- Gain experience in integrating different workloads from different engineering disciplines.

HHA Overview



Requirements

MCU:

- 22 GPIO ports
- Wi-Fi ready and enabled

FPGA:

- PS/2 and VGA interface
- Stable clock signal
- External power source

Software:

- 128KB Flash, 8KB RAM on MCU

User Interface:

- Readable at 4' with 20/20 vision
- “Yes/No” input & numeric data entry

Physical Limitations:

- Must not take up more than half of the available space on a standard nightstand*

I/O:

- 10-button keypad
- 7” monitor
- 4 vitals sensors

*approx 18” x 16” base

Sensor Specifications

Weight Scale

- Accurately display the weight of a person up to 350 pounds

Sphygmomanometer (Blood pressure)

- To accurately read a persons blood pressure to Hypertension Stage 1

Pulse Oximeter (Blood Oxygen)

- Follow Beer-Lambert's Law
 - With 5% error

Body Temperature

- Read temperatures from 95 to 101 °F
 - With 4% error

Main Processing Chip Choices

MSP430G2553 MCU

- 20 GPIO pins
- Low power
- Schematics readily available

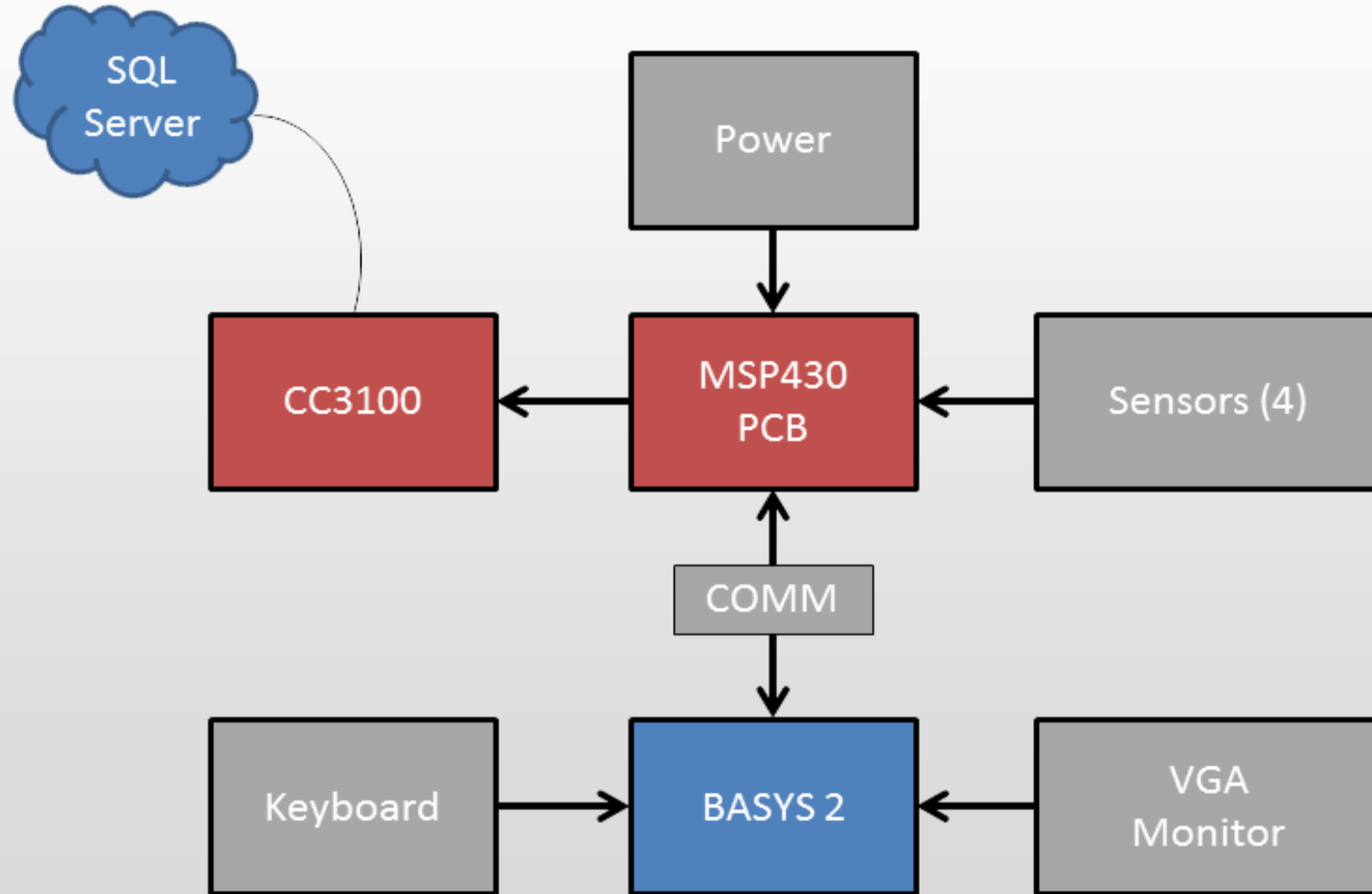
MSP430F5529 MCU

- 63 GPIO pins
- Low power
- Schematics readily available

Raspberry Pi 2

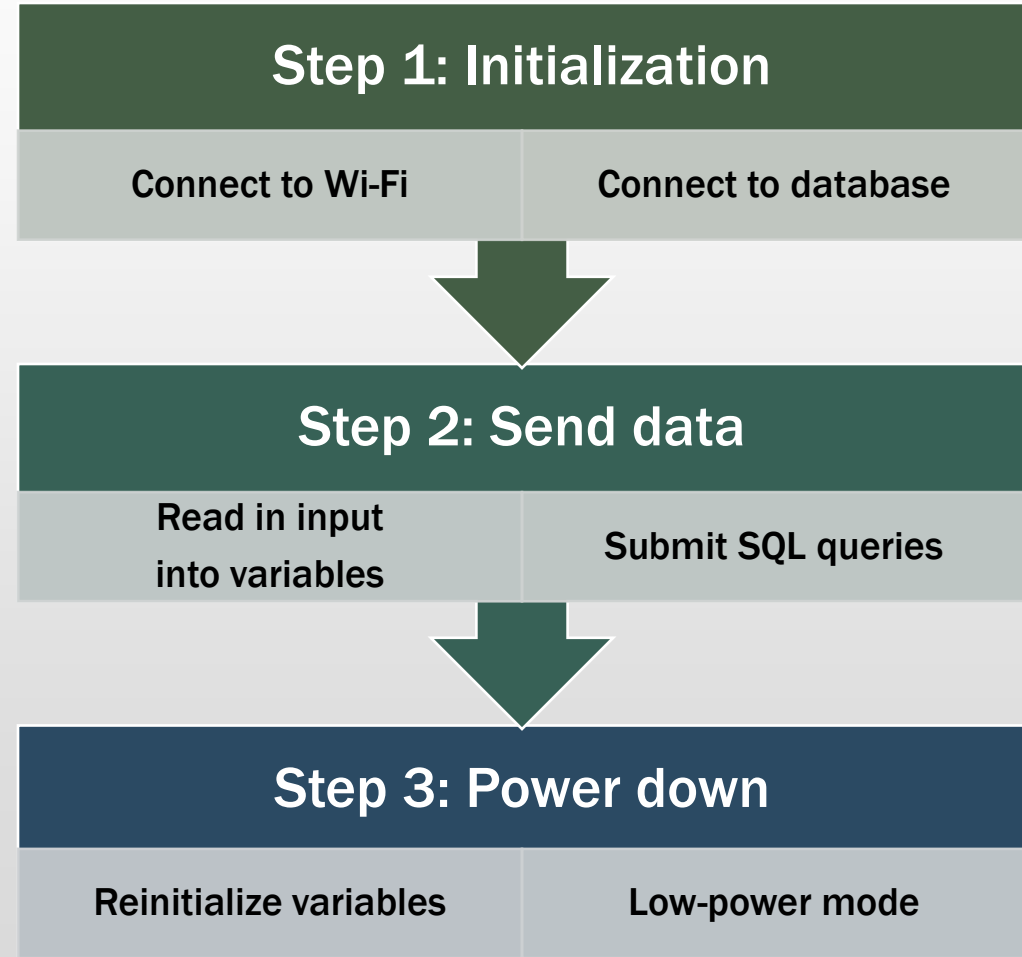
- Built-in Wireless module and USB ports
- Difficult to implement on PCB
- 26 GPIO

MSP430 PCB Connections



Connection to Database

- CC3100 Wi-Fi authenticates with wireless network and SQL server
- MCU sends variables via SQL queries to designated fields



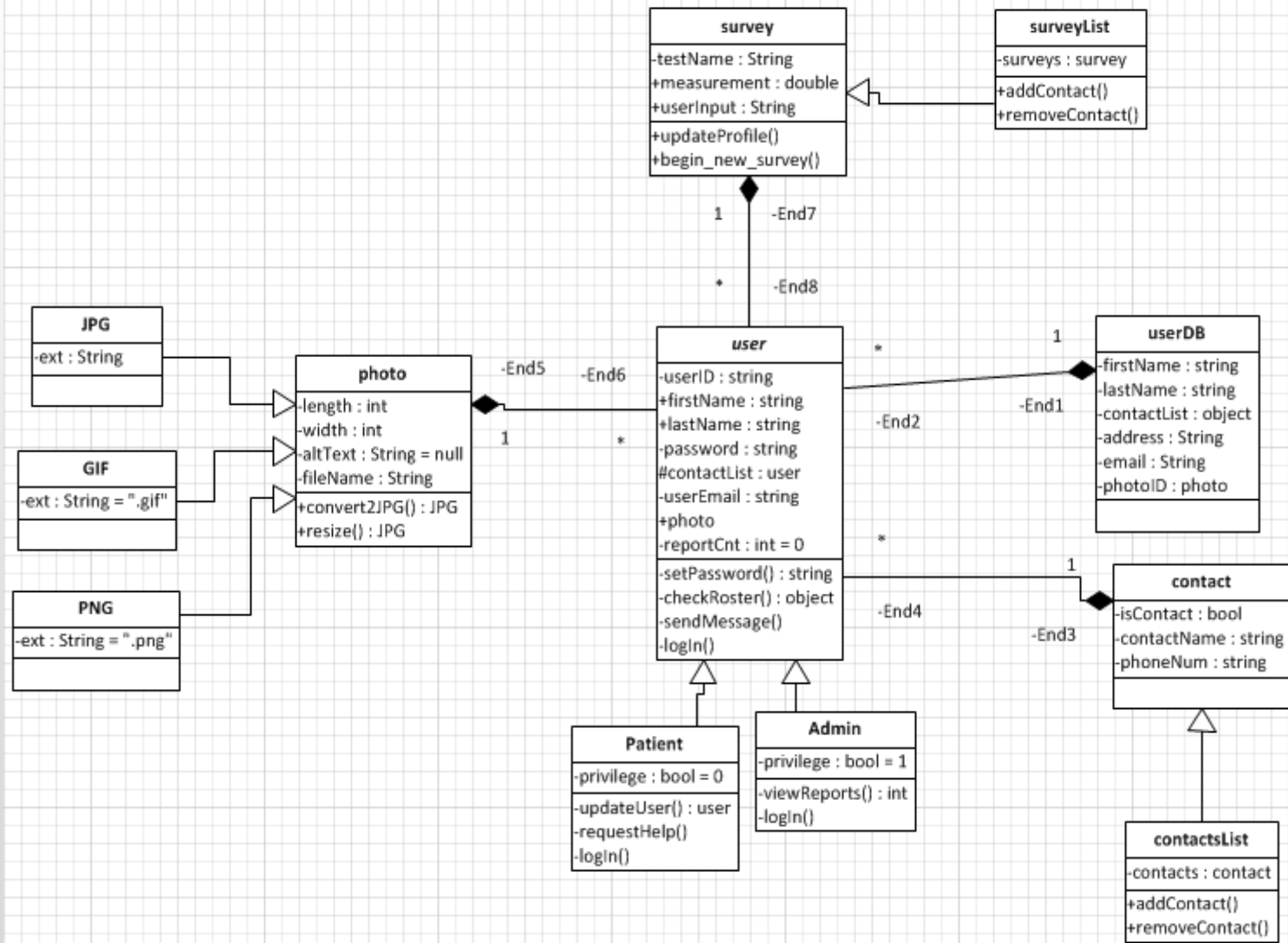
IoT Host – Microsoft Azure

- Cloud based service and development platform
 - Visual Studio integration
- Compliant with **HIPAA**, **FIPS 140-2**, **FERPA**, among many others
- Dreamspark: Azure emulator
- **\$200/1 mo. Trial**

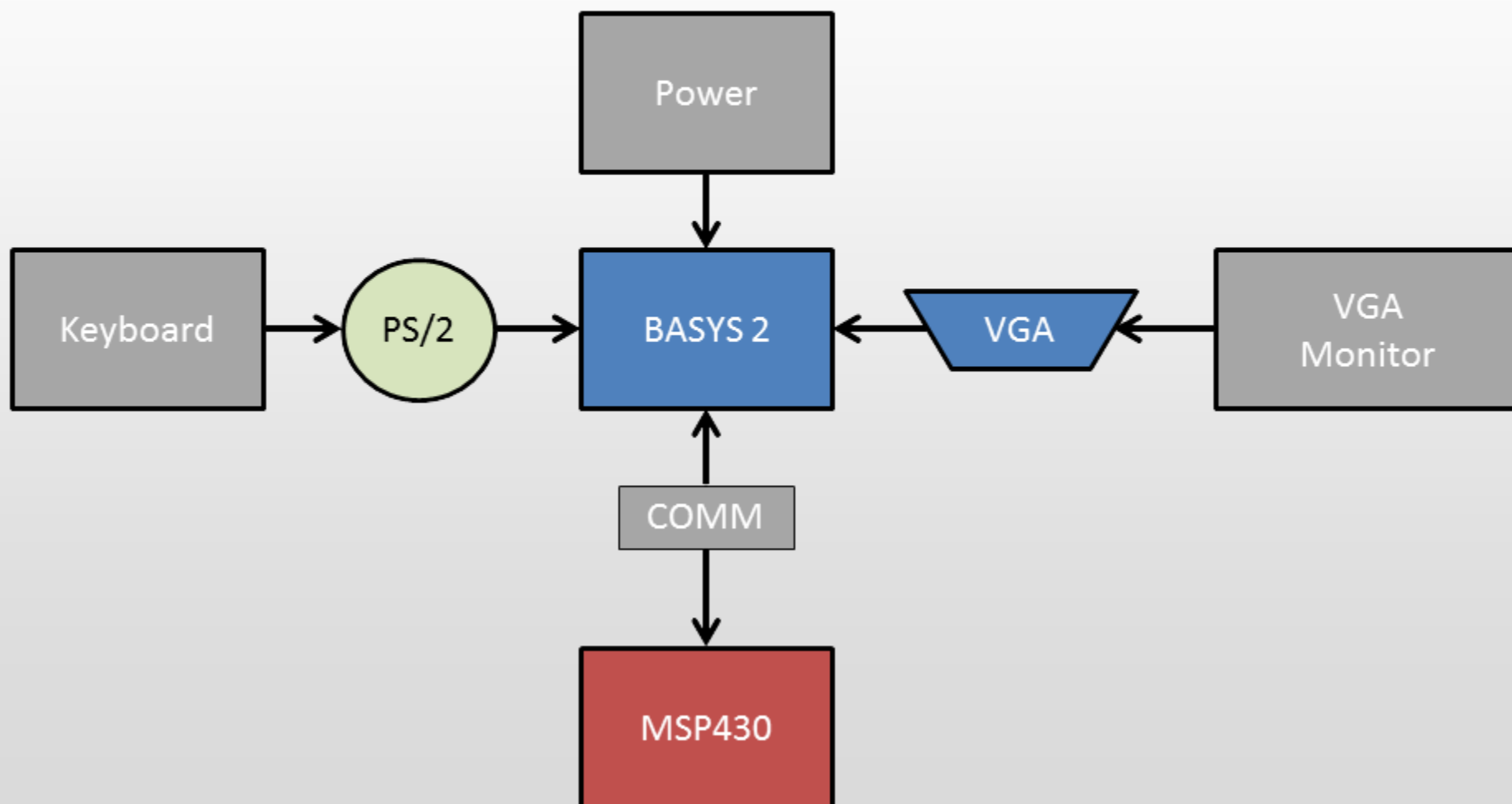


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Database Class Diagram

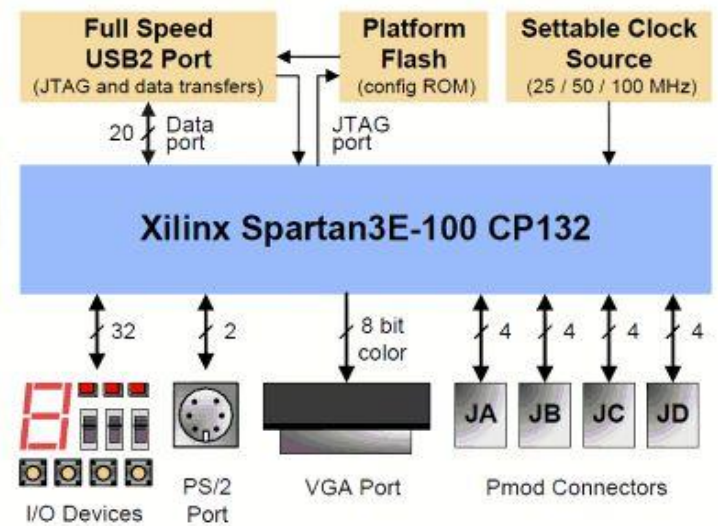
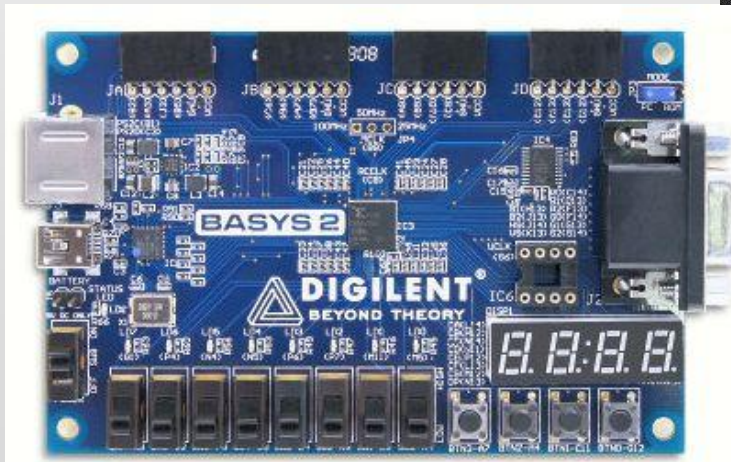
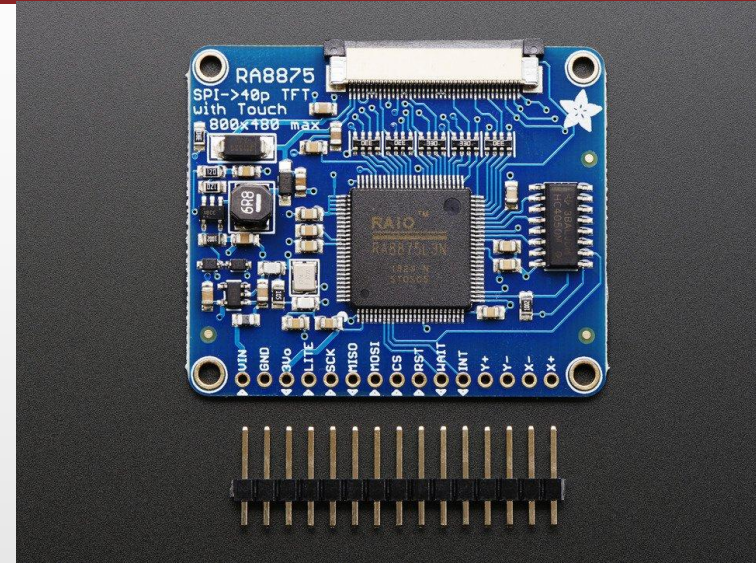


BASYS 2 Connections



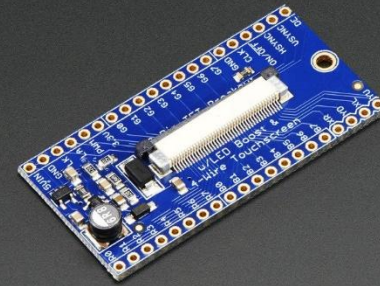
User Interface

- Requirements: Present questionnaire, provide sensor operation instructions and feedback to the user. Obtain user responses.
- FPGA experience was desired
- Possible alternative approaches:
 - VGA control board with SPI connection to MCU
 - High performance MCU with SRAM chip for frame buffering
- Digilent BASYS 2 already owned
 - PS/2 port - VGA port
- BASYS 2 issue: internal clock jitter
- Solution: External crystal oscillator



Monitor selection

- Requirements: 7" display for comfortable viewing 4 ft from the screen
- 640x480 resolution VGA signals supported at 60 Hz
- Relatively low power consumption



7" TFT VGA monitor

- + Standard VGA connector
- + Adjustable monitor stand
- ~8W power consumption
- Bulky
- + Wide input voltage range from 9 – 32V

\$45

7" 40-pin TFT LCD screen

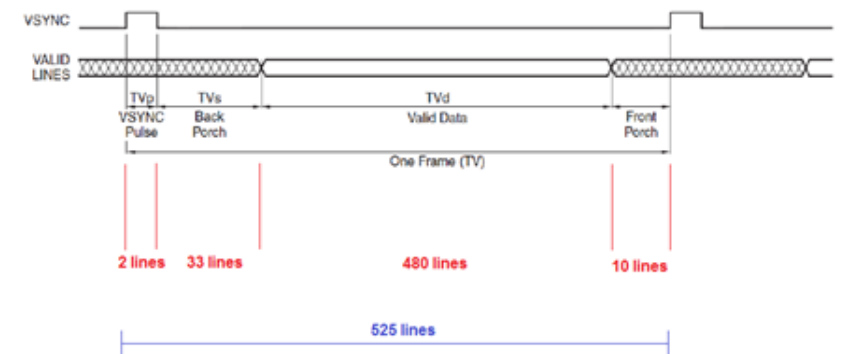
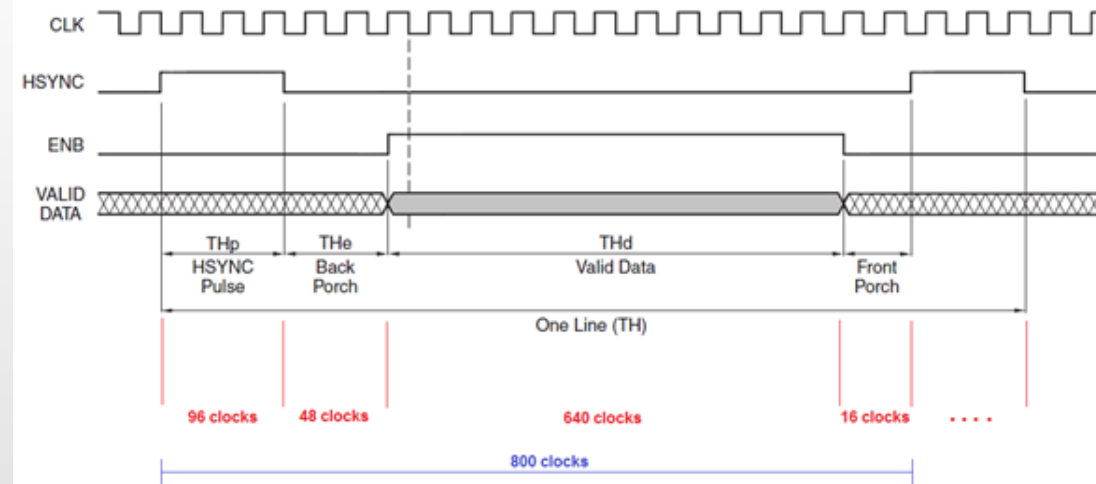
- Requires breakout board
- Mounting required/ fixed viewing angle
- + ~4W consumption
- Requires 2 power supplies
- Requires power-on sequence coding

\$37.50 + \$10

VGA Standard

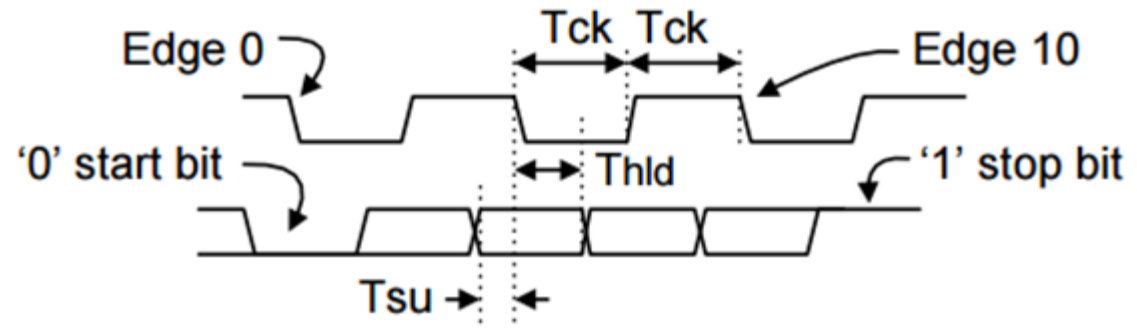
- Pixel clock rate at 25.175 (~25) MHz generated using a clock divider from the 100 MHz external oscillator
- HSYNC and VSYNC signals used to govern the active region for RGB data transmission
- Preset values in RGB registers used to generate a static background color, refreshed at 60 Hz
- Implemented in Verilog for the 8-bit VGA output of the BASYS 2

VGA Timing 640x480 / 60Hz



PS/2 Standard and keypad choice

- 2 wire interface – keypad clock & data, sent simultaneously
- Start bit, 8 bits of data, parity bit, stop bit
- Each key has a unique 8-bit scan code
- Non-standard vs standard keypad layout
- Standard layout more robust
- Debouncing circuit implemented
- Both priced at \$9



Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max
T_{CK}	Clock time	30us	50us
T_{SU}	Data-to-clock setup time	5us	25us
T_{HLD}	Clock-to-data hold time	5us	25us

PS/2 signal timing

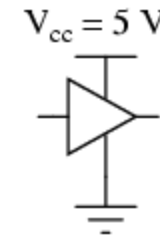
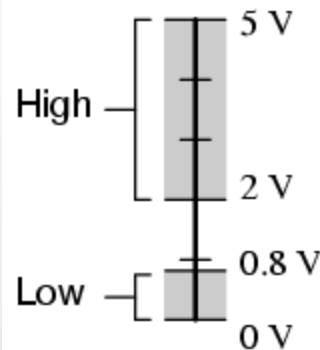


Num 77	/ E04A	* 7C	- 7B
7 6C	8 75	9 7D	+
4 6B	5 73	6 74	
1 69	2 72	3 7A	Enter
0 70	. 71		

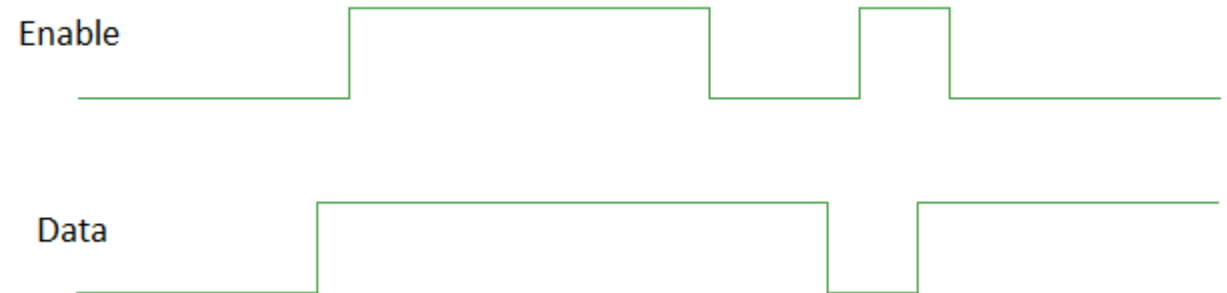
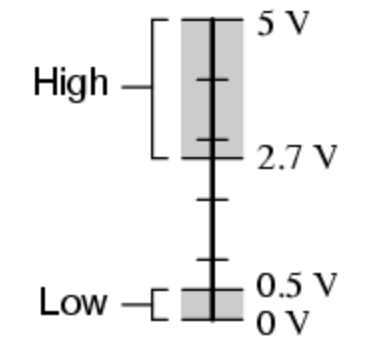
FPGA/ MCU communication

- No pins preconfigured for UART on FPGA
- Created custom protocol for communication at indeterminate instances in time
- Data line and an “enable” line
- Receiver polls enable line at its own clock rate and latches on to data value at both the positive and negative edges of the enable line
- Example data transfer: **1101**
- Method works because enable line will not toggle twice faster than clock rate of either MCU (25 MHz) or FPGA (100 MHz)
- Aiming to implement 4+ parallel data lines

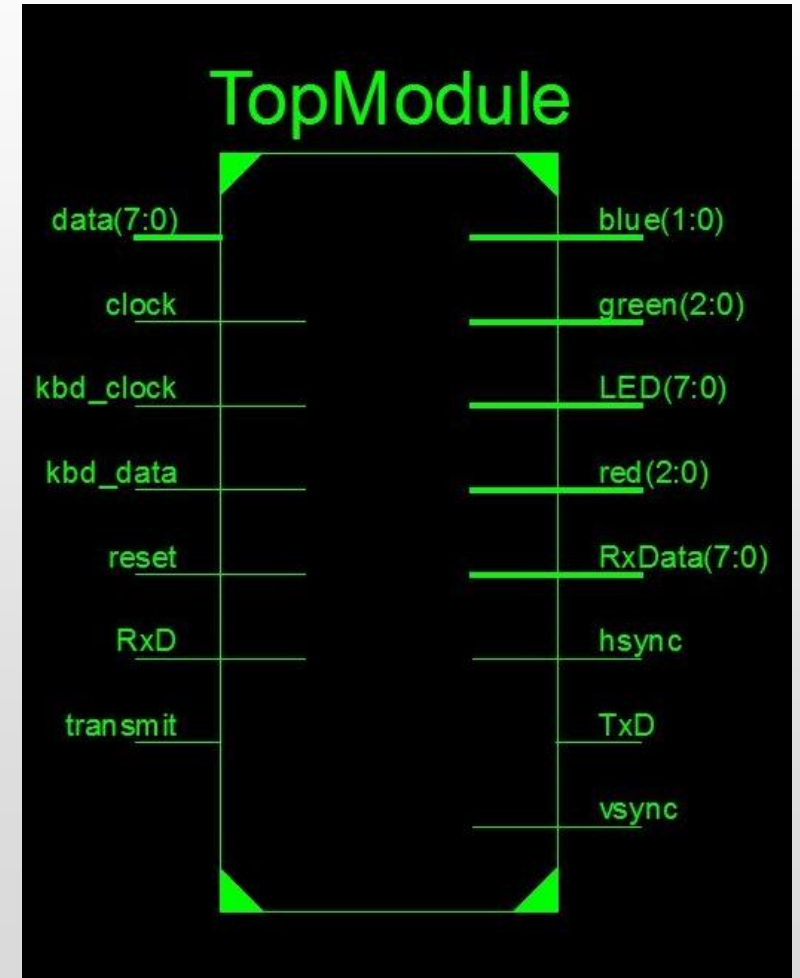
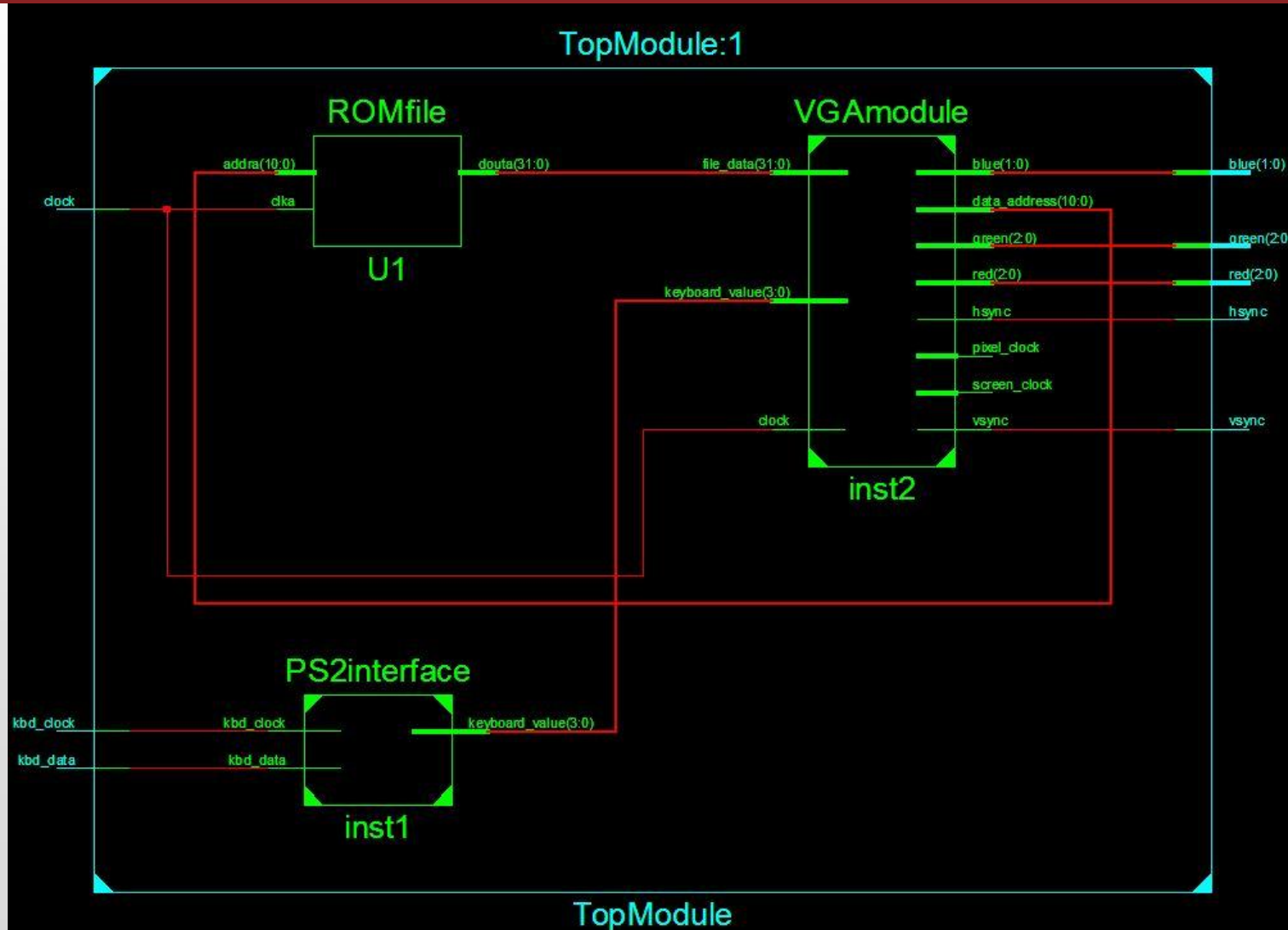
Acceptable TTL gate input signal levels



Acceptable TTL gate output signal levels



Verilog Register-Transfer Level (RTL) schematics



Distribution of Body Heat



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- Four common locations to measure body temperature are the mouth, ear, armpit, and rectum.
- From the four options, measuring temperature orally is the most convenient for our project.
- Since we are measuring body temp. orally, the material used to house the sensor has to be waterproof, water-resistant, and non-toxic. The material has to be thermally conductive.
- Even though all medical establishments agree that 98.6°F is the average body temperature, they seem to disagree in what temperature a fever and the onset of hypothermia should be.
- HHA safe temperature range:
 - Fever: $38^{\circ}\text{C} = 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$
 - Hypothermia: $35^{\circ}\text{C} = 95^{\circ}\text{F}$

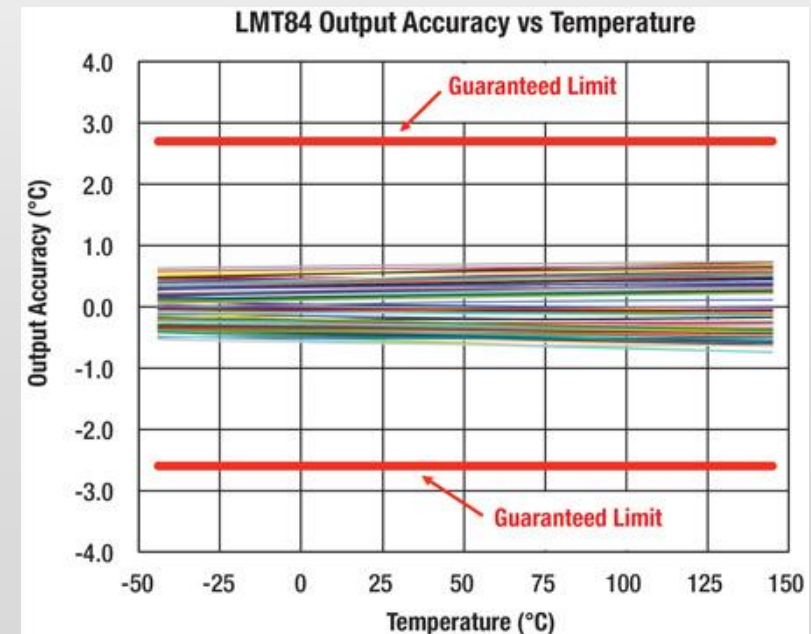
Temperature Sensors

LMT Series

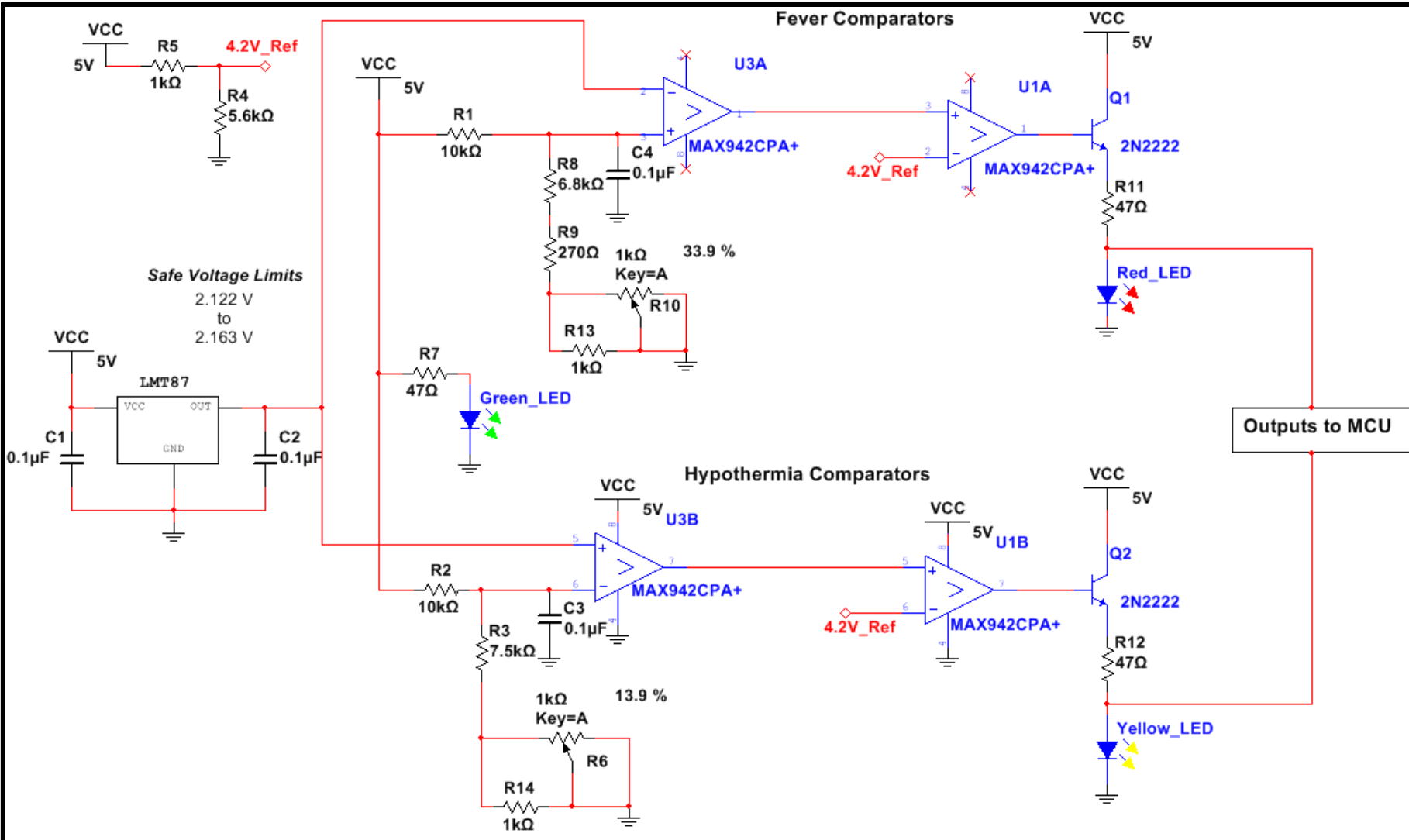
- Typical values are more accurate $\sim 0.2^\circ\text{C}$ vs LMs 0.3°C
- Texas Instruments will be coming out this year with a brand-new temperature sensor, the LMT70.
- The LMT70 will have a range of inaccuracy between min and max around 0.3°C and a typical 0.05°C . It will also be recommended for medical applications.
- For now, the HHA will be using the LMT87 because it provides better accuracy for the temperature ranges needed for the HHA thermometer.

LM Series

- Smaller range of inaccuracy between min and max values
 $\sim 1.0^\circ\text{C}$ vs LMTs 1.5°C
- Few cents cheaper



Body Temperature Schematic



MAX942CPA+ Comparator:

- Internal hysteresis (1 – 3 mV) to detect slow moving input signals and have clean output signals
 - Low input offset voltage (V_{io})
 - Other comparators tested:
TLC3702
LM393NG
-
- LED turn-on voltage is greater than $V_{cc_MSP430}/2$ required for MSP430 to read input “high” and less than V_{cc_MSP430} to avoid damage.
 - 2N2222 BJTs work as a current amplifier needed to light the LEDs.

Weight Sensor: Strain Gauge Comparisons

TYPE OF LOAD CELL	WEIGHT RANGE	ACCURACY (FS)	APPLICATIONS	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
Bending Beam	10-5,000 lb	0.03%	Tanks, platform scales	Low cost, simple construction	Strain gages are exposed, require protection
Shear Beam	10-5,000 lb	0.03%	Tanks, platform scales, off- center loads	High side load rejection, better sealing and protection	
Canister	Up to 500,000 lb	0.05%	Truck, tank, track, and hopper scales	Handles load movements	No horizontal load protection
Ring and Pancake	5- 500,000 lb		Tanks, bins, scales	All stainless steel	No load movement allowed
Button and washer	0-50,000 lb 0-200 lb typ.	1%	Small scales	Small, inexpensive	Loads must be centered, no load movement permitted

Load Sensors

We chose the SEN - 10245

- Bending beam load cell
- Cheap (\$9.95)
- 50 Kg payload each
- 3 needed to support up to 350 pounds

Capacity	kg	40-50
Comprehensive Error	mv/v	0.05
Output Sensitivity	mv/v	1.0±0.1
Nonlinearity	%FS	0.03
Repeatability	%FS	0.03
Hysteresis	%FS	0.03
Creep	(3min)%FS	0.03
Zero Drift	(1min)%FS	0.03
Temp. Effect on Zero	%FS/10°C	1
Temp. Effect on Output	%FS/10°C	0.05
Zero Output	mV/V	±0.1
Input Resistance	Ω	1000±20
Output Resistance	Ω	1000±20
Insulation Resistance	MΩ	≥5000
Excitation Voltage	V	≤10
Operation Temp. Range	°C	0--+50
Overload Capacity	%FS	150

Blood Pressure Machine Types

Wrist Blood Pressure Machine

Pros

- Portable
- Light weight

Cons

- Not as accurate
- Only fit one smaller arms
- Costs more
- Not easy to hack



Upper Arm Blood Pressure Machine

Pros

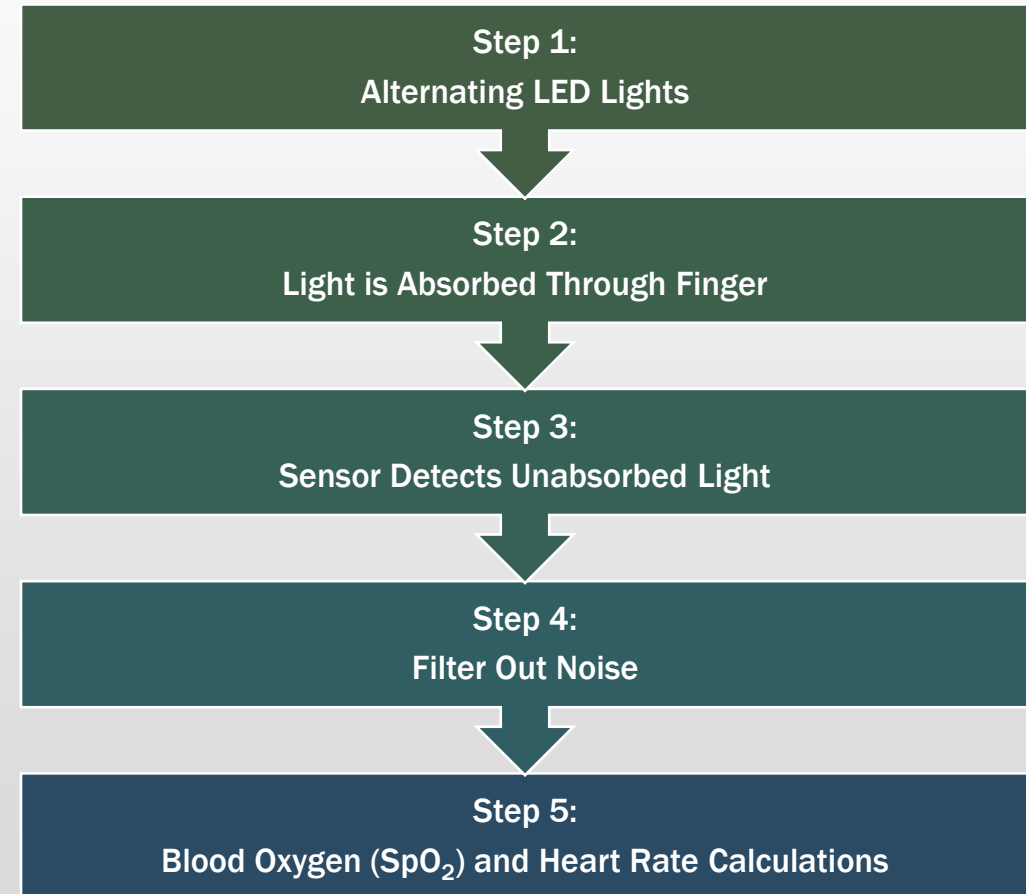
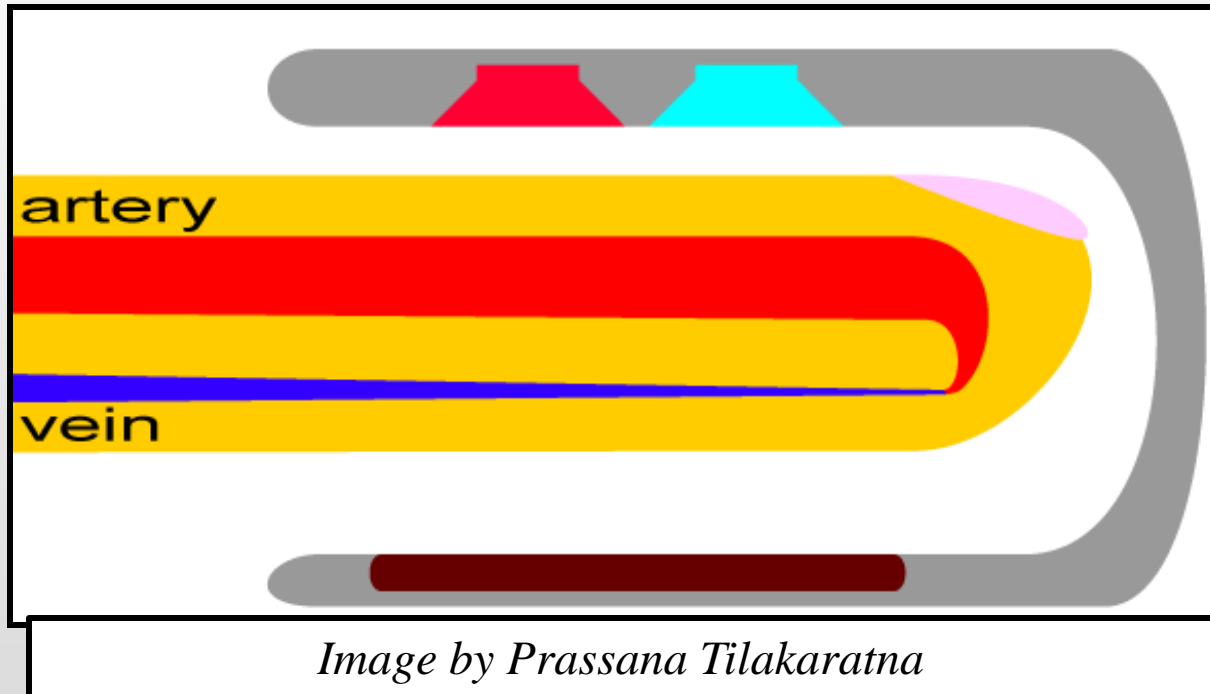
- Cheaper
- More accurate
- Better Possibility to get electrical readings
- Changeable bands to fit different arms

Cons

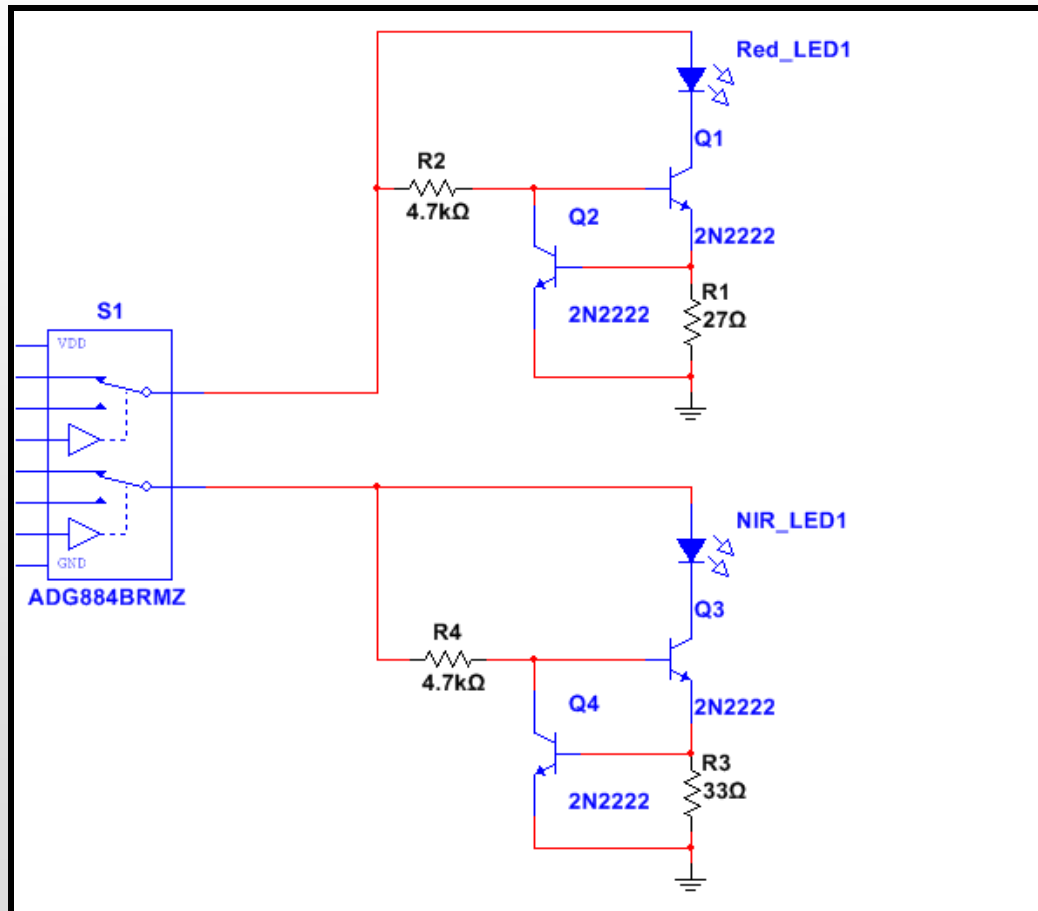
- Not convenient for a portable system



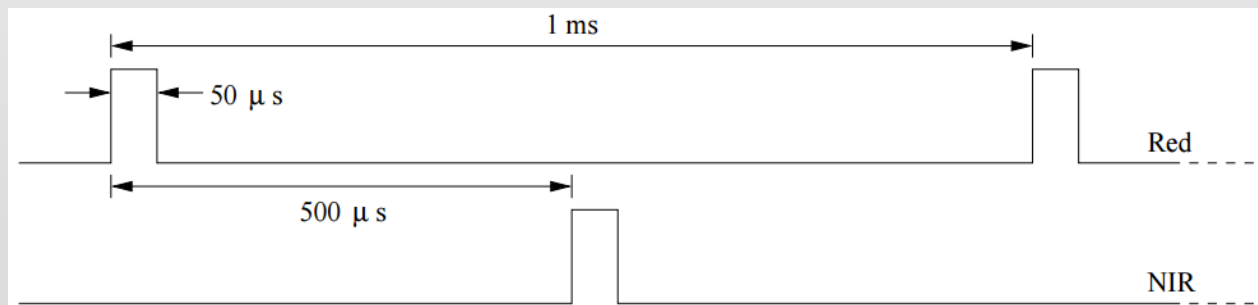
Pulse Oximeter Overall System



Step 1: Constant-Current Schematic for Alternating LEDs

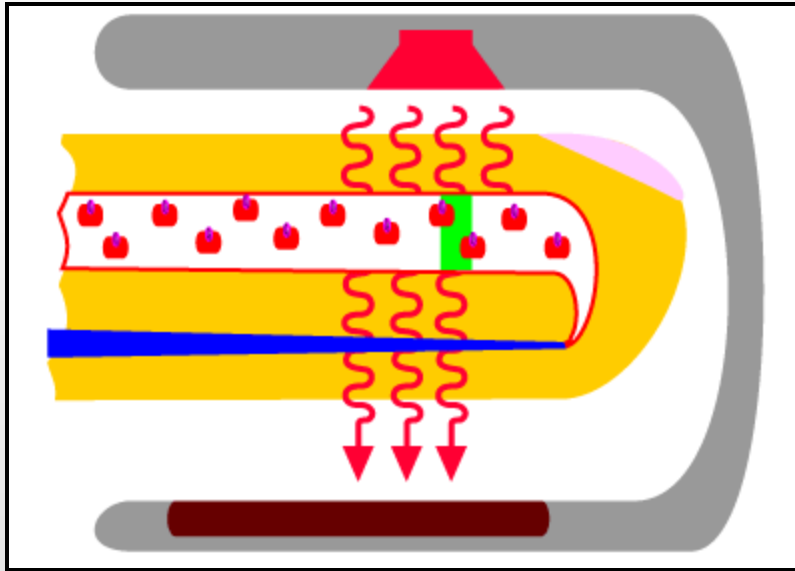


- LEDs must be supplied a constant current in each pulse to avoid calculation errors. The error occurs because different currents in each pulse will create different light intensities.
- The wavelength must be 660nm for the red LED and 940nm for the near-infrared (NIR) LED.
- Cardiac frequency is between 0.5 – 5 Hz therefore pulsing the LEDs at 1kHz is more than enough to obtain good readings.



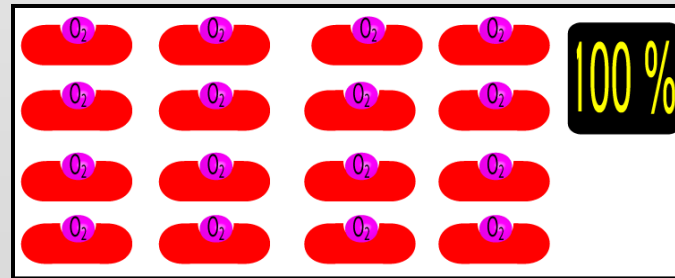
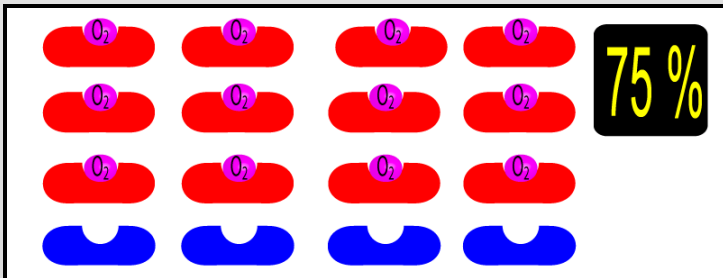
Timing Diagram by Dr.Lionel Tarassenko and Dr.Neil Townsend

Step 2: Light is Absorbed Through Finger



- Hemoglobin acts as a transport of both oxygenated and deoxygenated blood cells.
- Each time the heart beats, blood flows through the arteries and expands them. When it expands, more hemoglobin flows through which makes it easier to distinguish the artery from other non-pulsating components that make up our finger.
- The reason 660nm and 940nm LEDs are used is because:

- 660nm light is easily absorbed by deoxygenated hemoglobin and
- 940nm light is easily absorbed by oxygenated hemoglobin

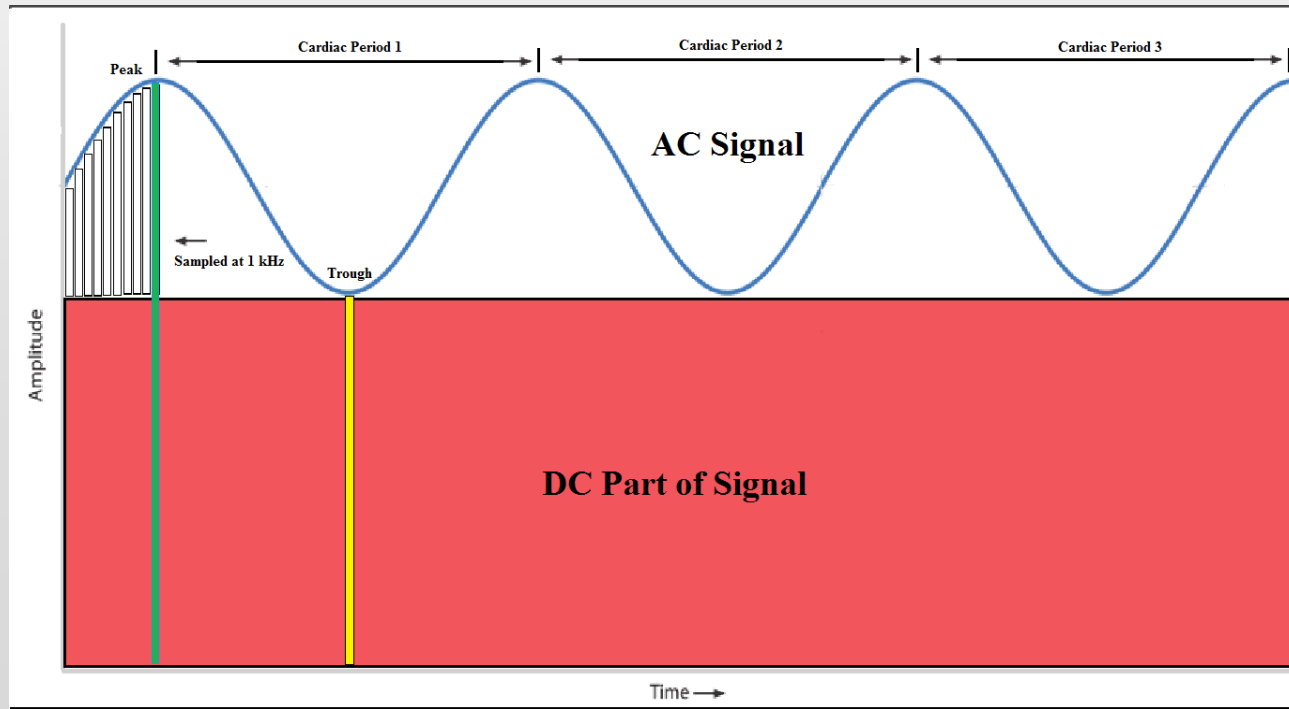


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Step 3: Sensor Detects Unabsorbed Light

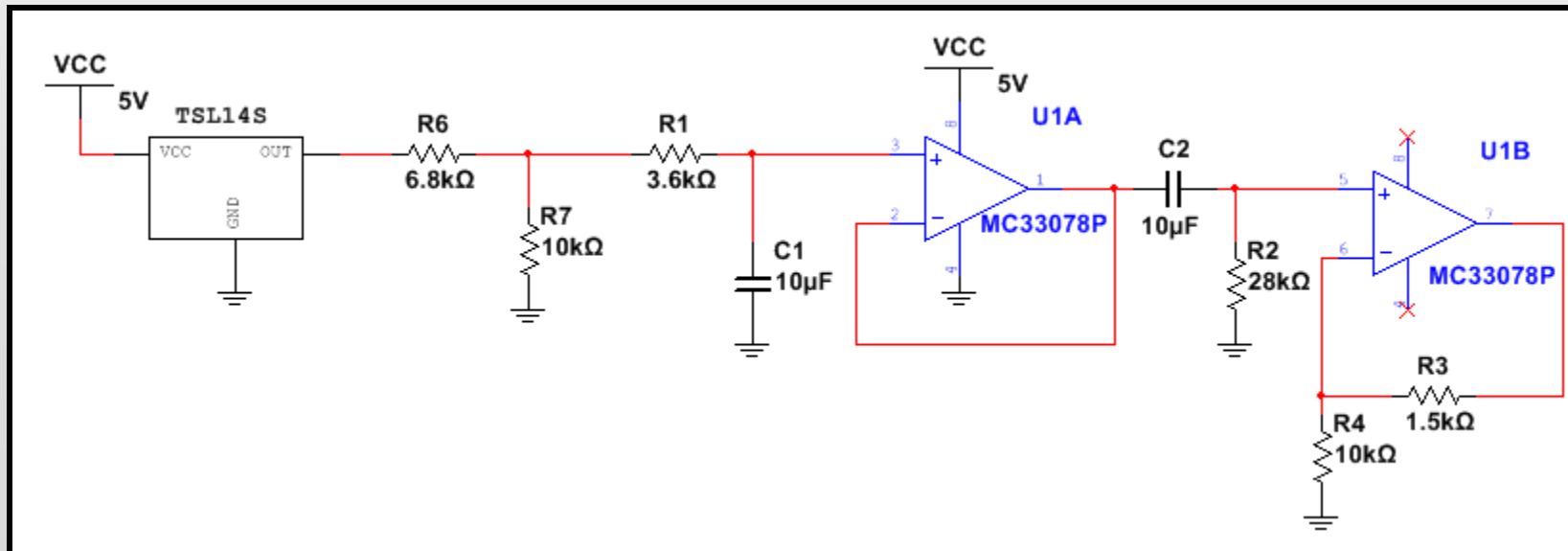
The light sensor chosen is the TSL14S by AMS AG

- Very Fast Response ($4\mu\text{s}$)
- Large range of wavelength detection (320 nm to 1050 nm)
- Output voltage is linear with light intensity
- Amplifies the signal of an integrated photodiode
- Contains feedback components



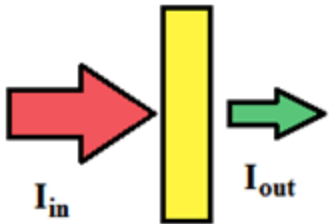
Step 4: Noise Filter Schematic

- 0.5 – 5 Hz Bandpass Filter
- MC33078 op-amps chosen for its low price, high-speed, low-noise, unity-gain stable and single-supply operation.
- Voltage divider at the output of the sensor to prevent the sensor from outputting a voltage that can cause harm to the MSP430.
- The output of the last stage is connected to the MSP430's analog-to-digital converter in order to do the calculations.



Step 5: Calculating SpO₂ and Pulse

- To calculate the blood oxygen levels (SpO₂), Beer-Lambert's law is applied

Beer-Lambert Law	SpO ₂	Alternative SpO ₂
Absorbance $A = \log_{10}(I_{in}/I_{out})$ 	$R = \frac{\log_{10}(I_{ac}) * \lambda_{660}}{\log_{10}(I_{ac}) * \lambda_{940}}$ I = light intensity λ = wavelength	$R = \frac{(AC_{660})/(DC_{660})}{(AC_{940})/(DC_{940})}$

- To calculate pulse, the number of peaks in the light-absorbing signal are equivalent to heartbeats. The heartbeats are then divided by the amount of time allocated for that part of the exam.

$$\text{Pulse} = \text{Heartbeats} / \text{Time of the exam}$$

HHA Pulse Oximeter: Problems to Overcome

- Beer-Lambert Law does not take into account light-scattering.
- Ambient light can cause discrepancies in the results.
- Movement of finger will corrupt data.
- Skin and blood problems can affect data.

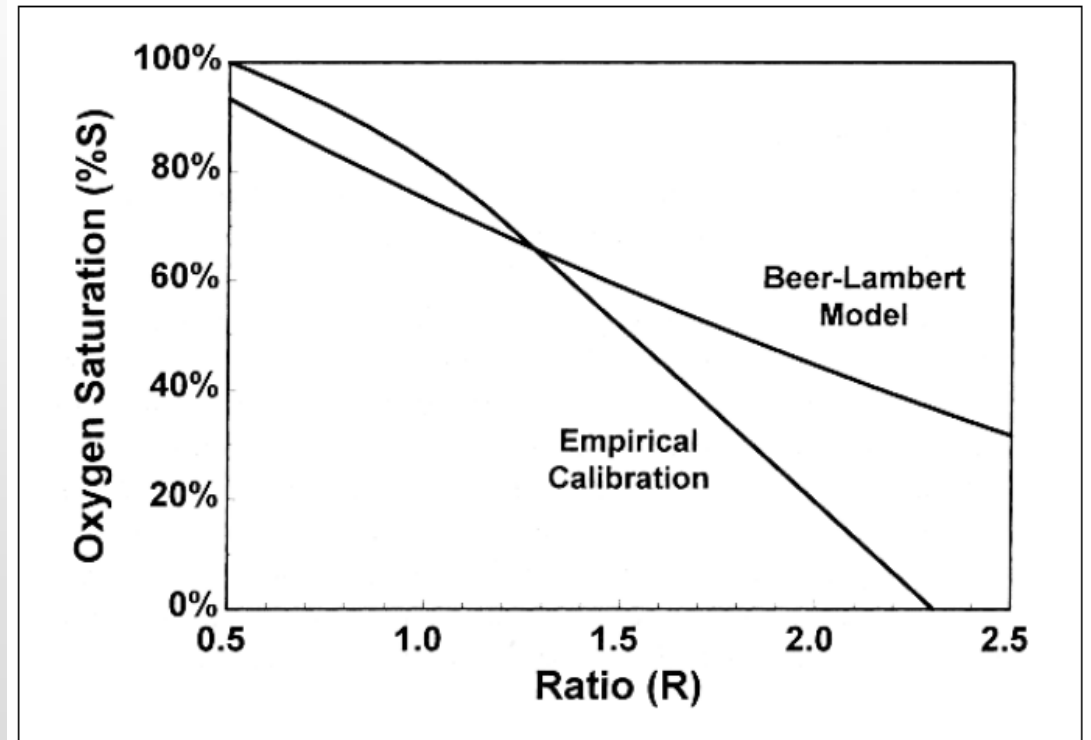
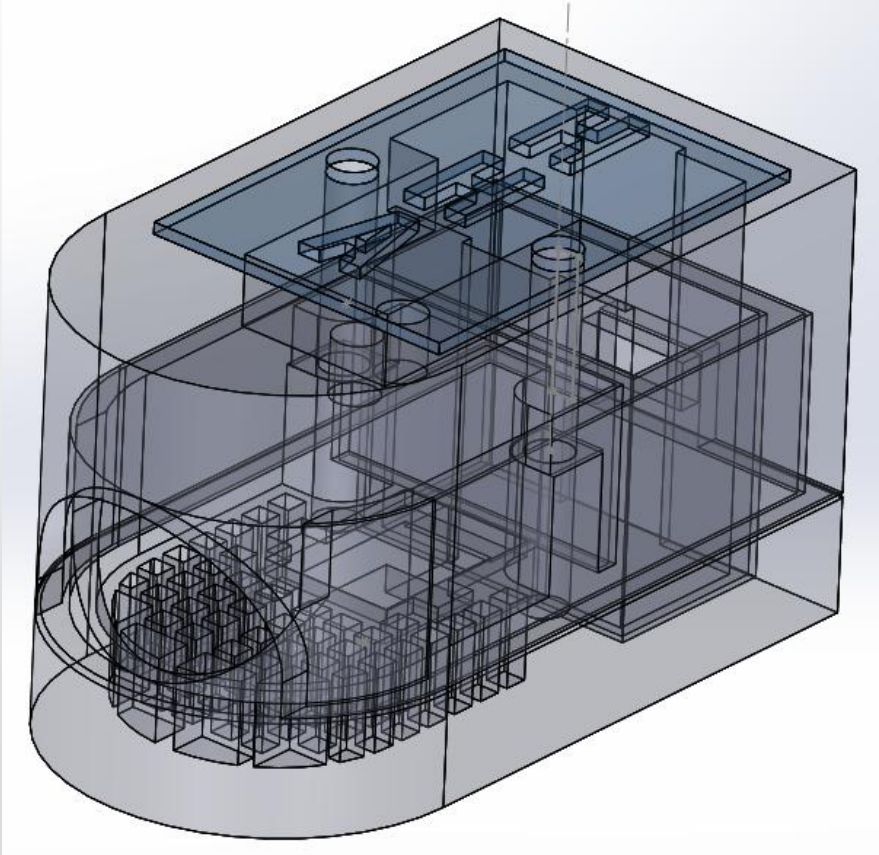
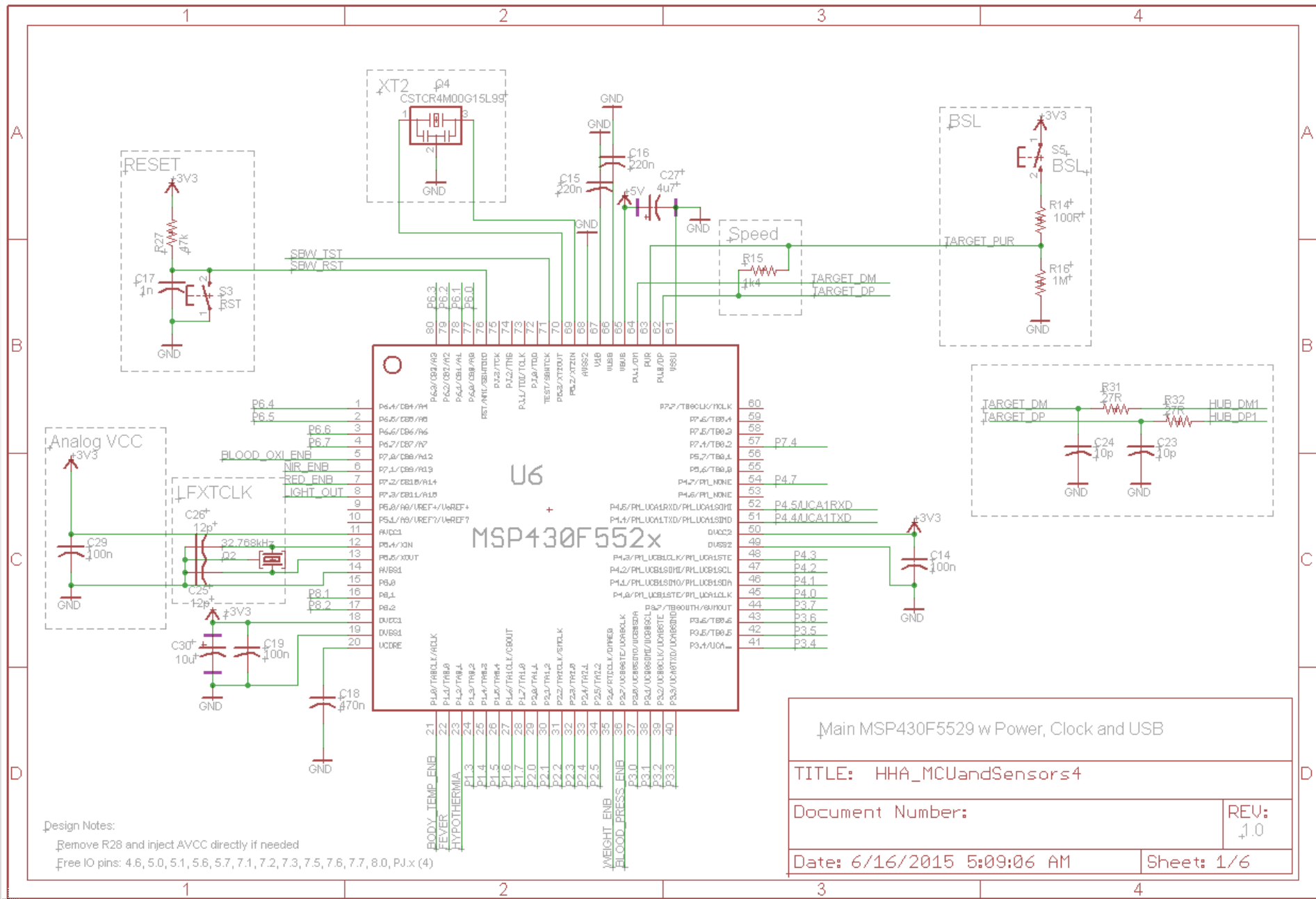


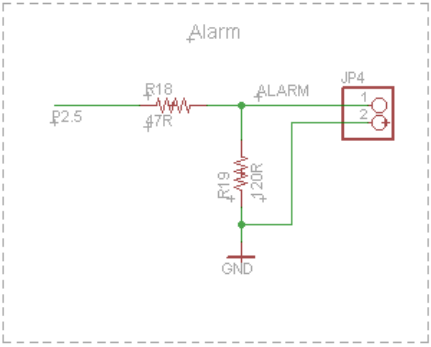
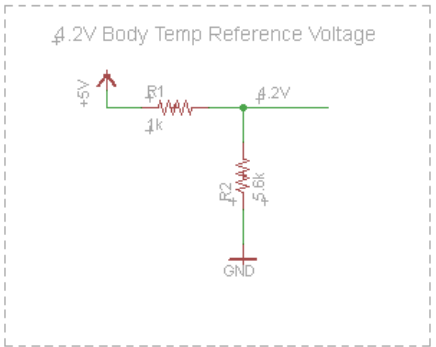
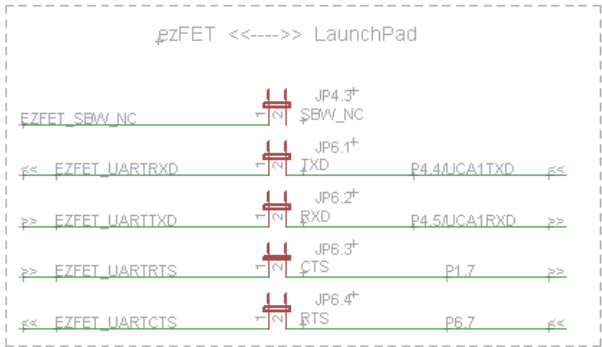
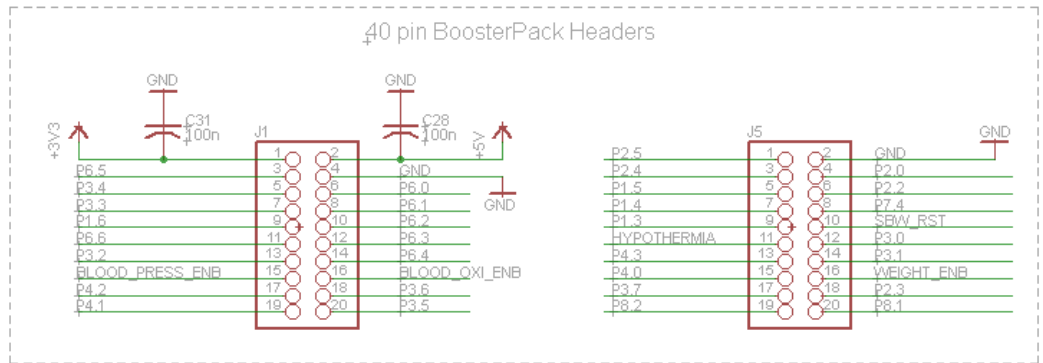
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HHA Pulse Oximeter: Casing



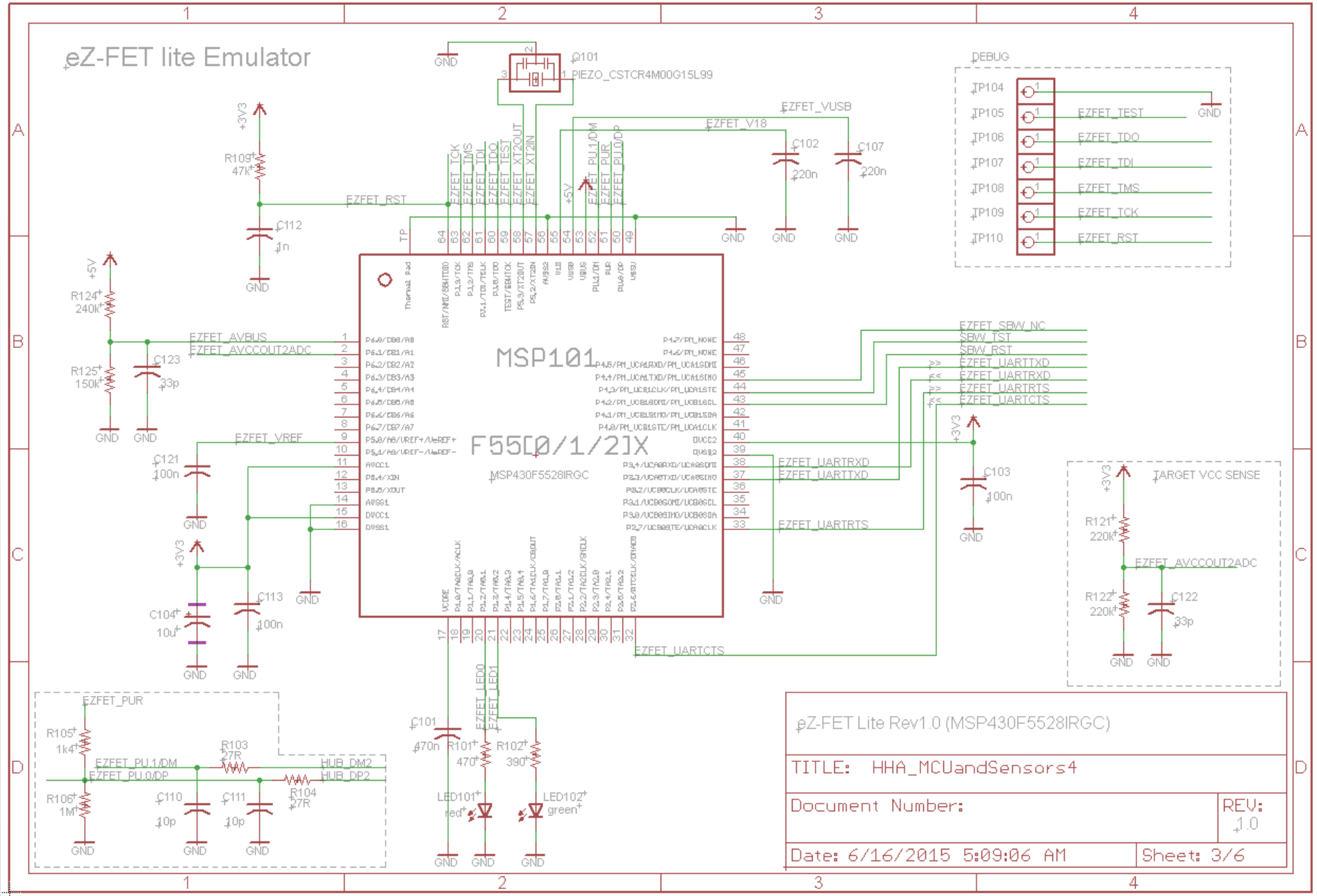


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µZ-FET lite Emulator

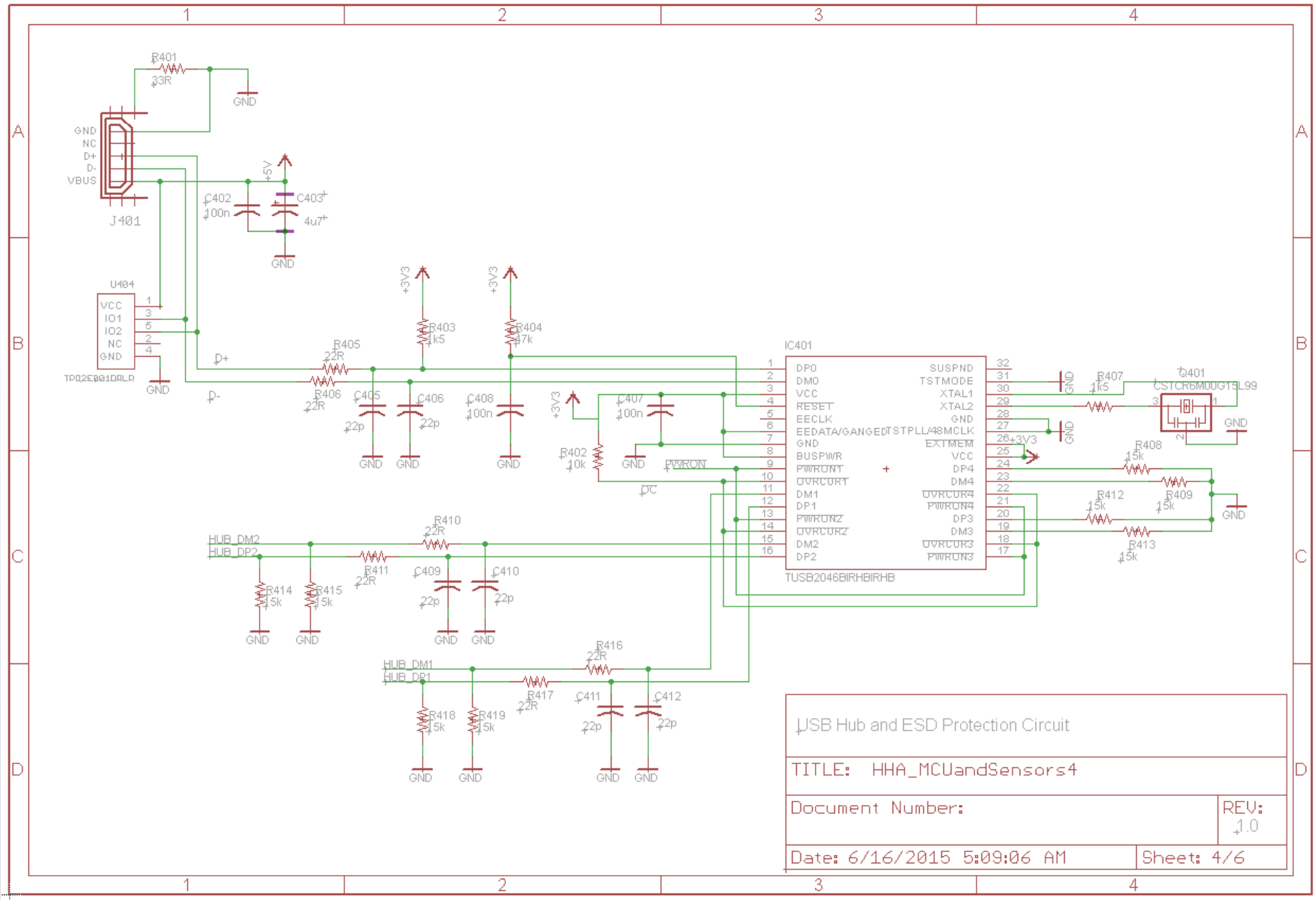


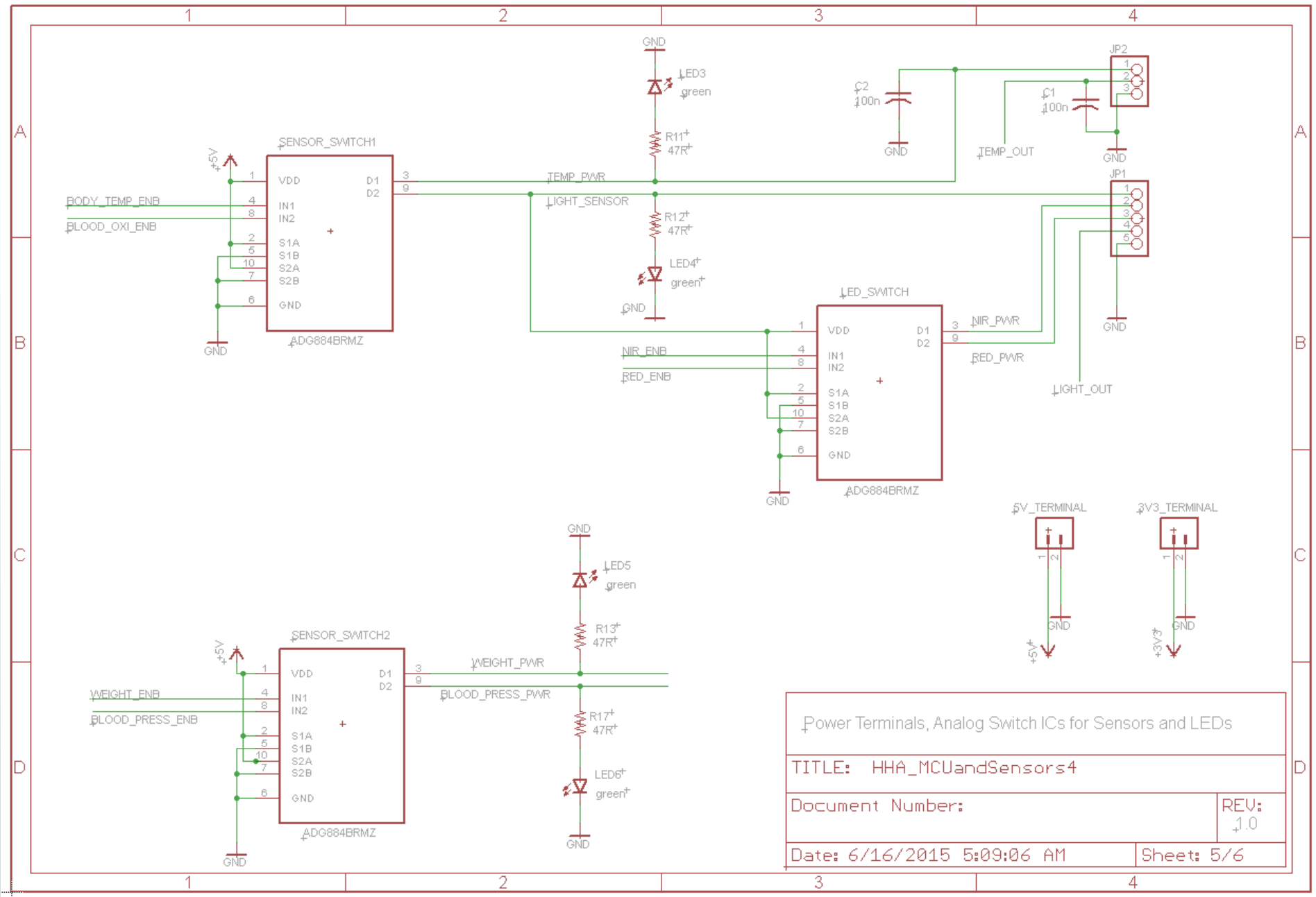
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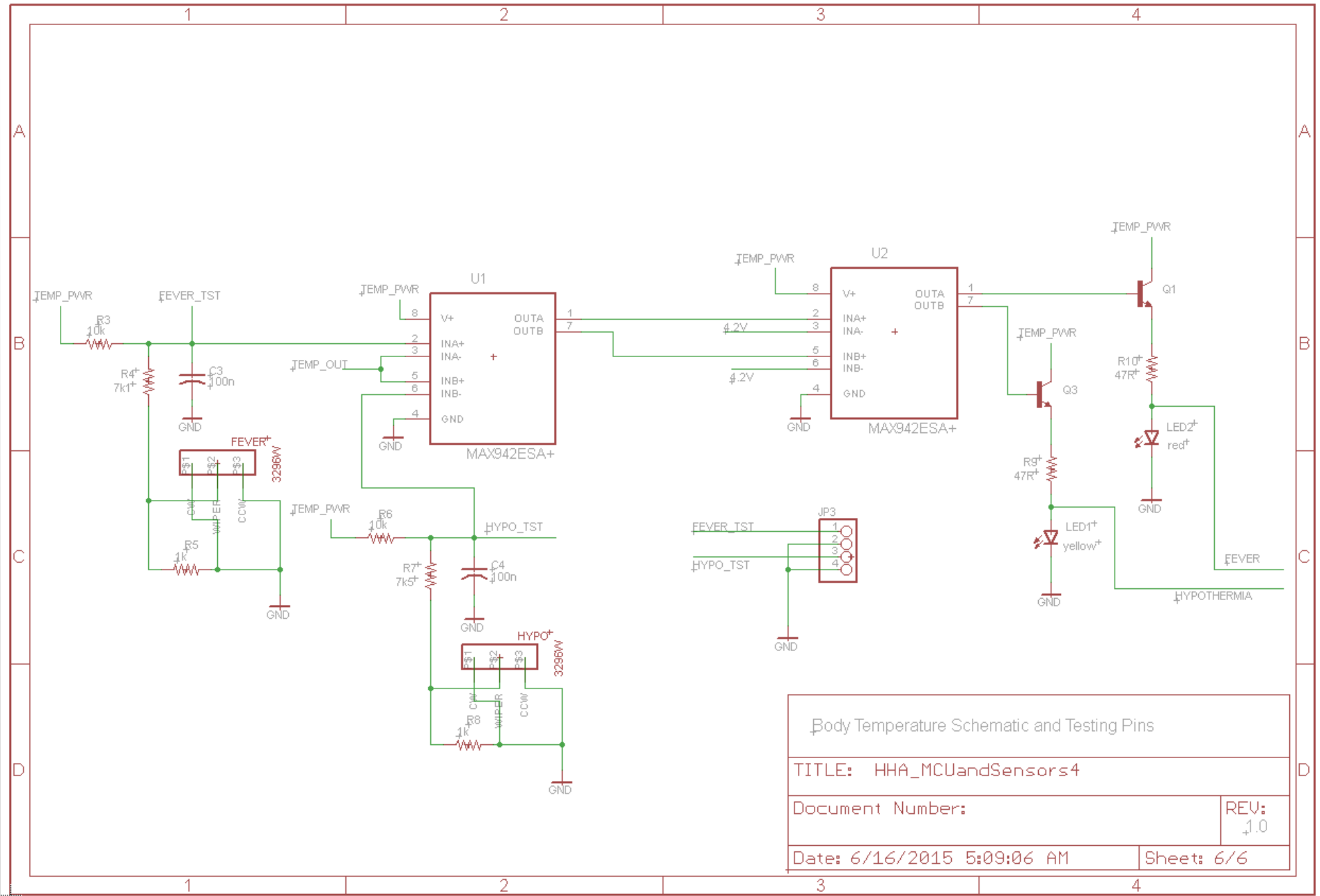
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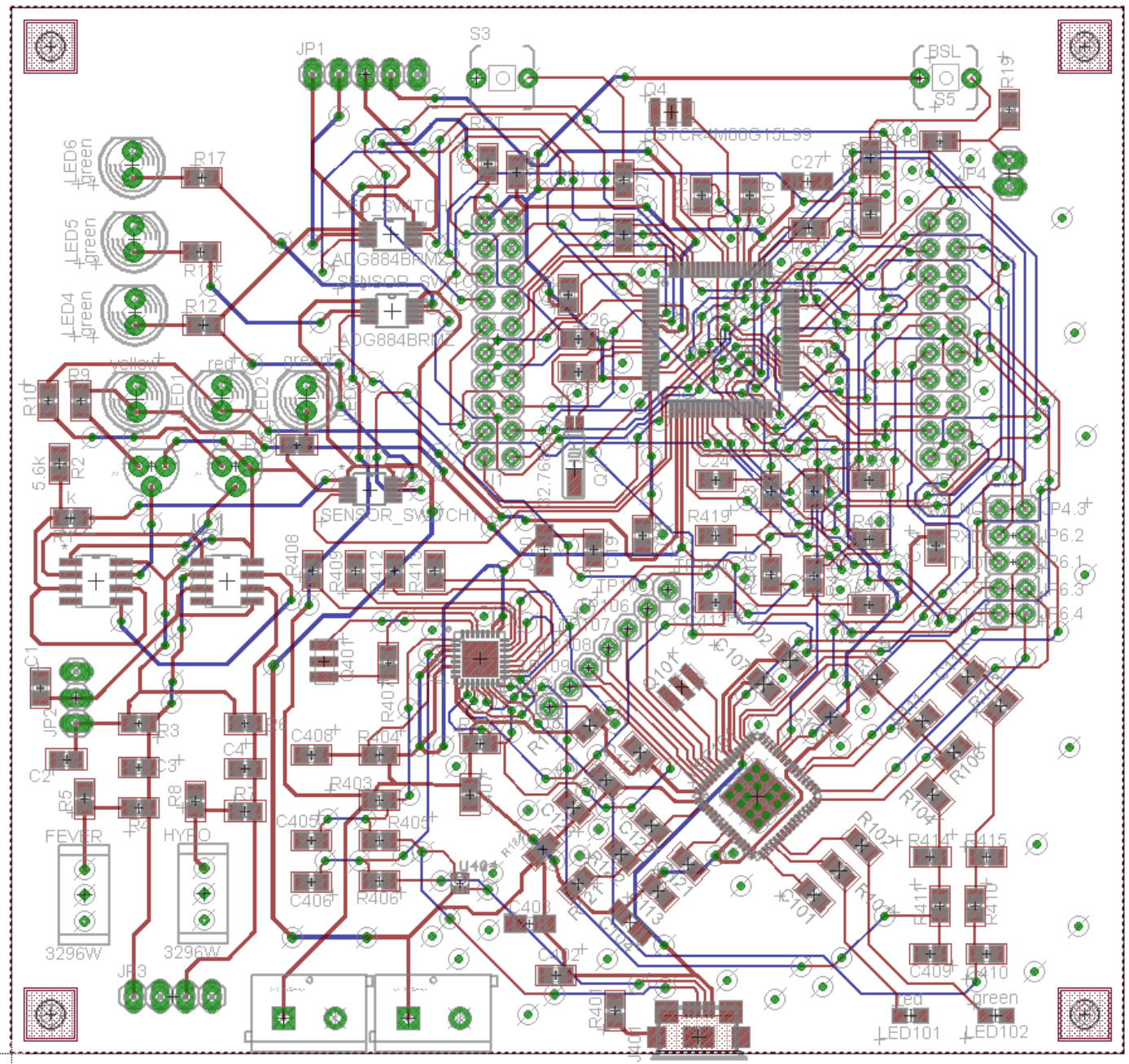




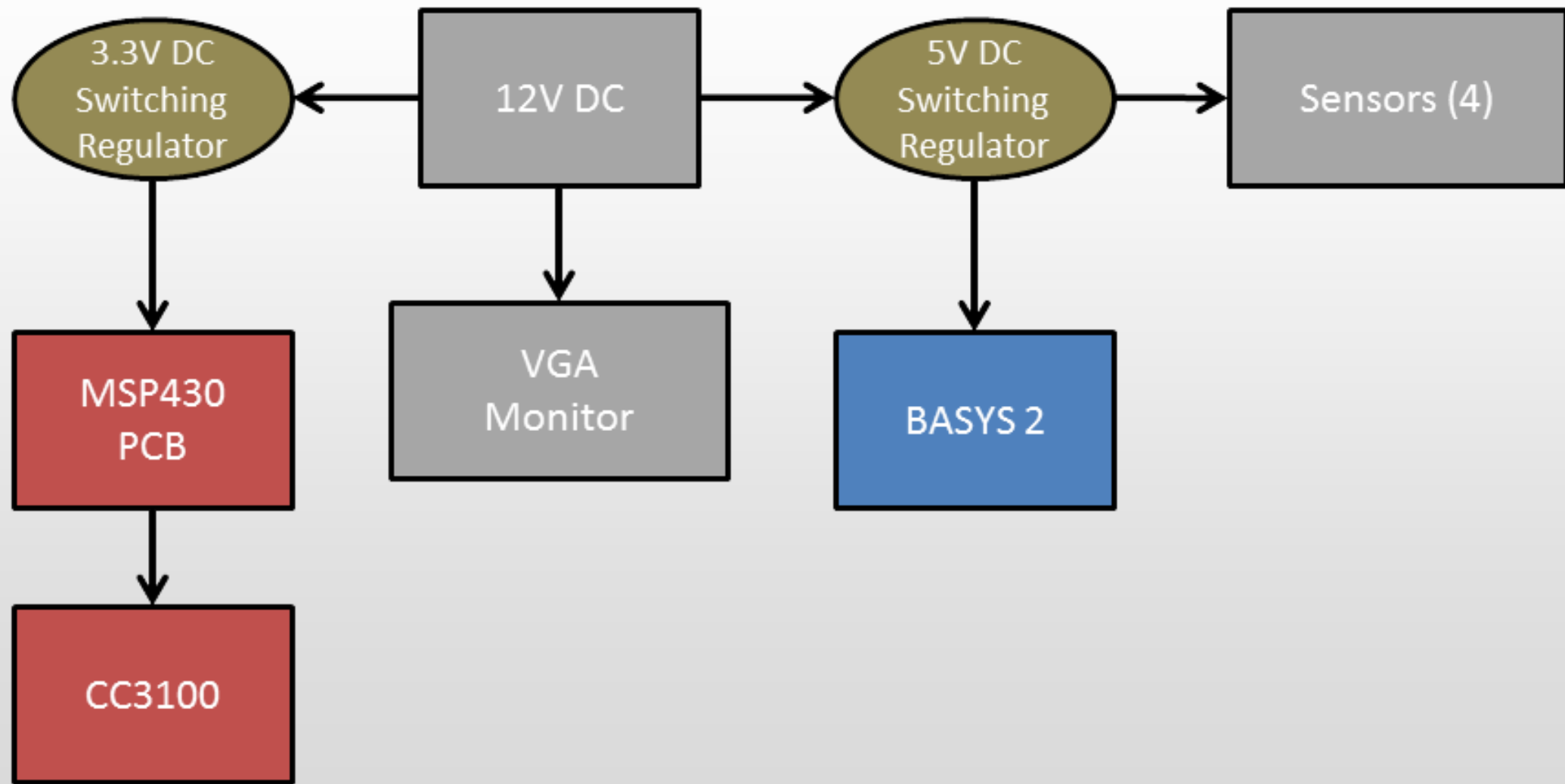
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Power



Power regulation PCB

- Current requirements were doubled to err on the safe side, then used to generate 3.3V and 5V switching regulator schematics in Webench
- Calculated trace widths were too wide for certain pins; they were minimally reduced to accommodate clearance constraints.
- Current headroom in calculation allowed final design to supply at least the required currents
- Switching regulators chosen primarily to minimize thermal energy waste. Too much heat may cause HHA to become uncomfortable to use, or require heat sinks that impose upon HHA's small size requirement

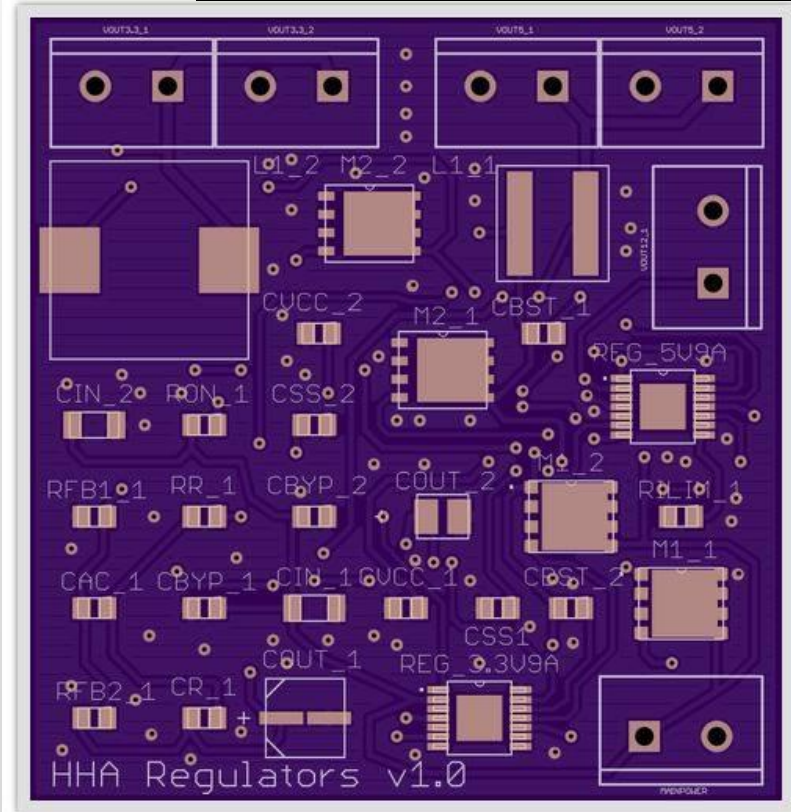
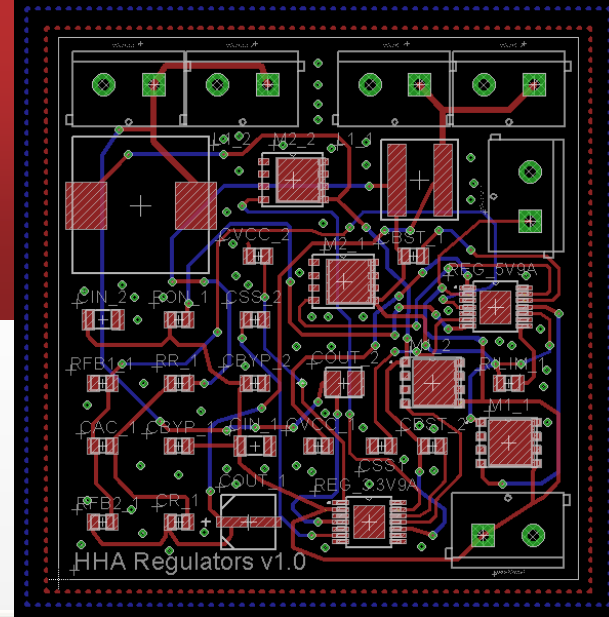
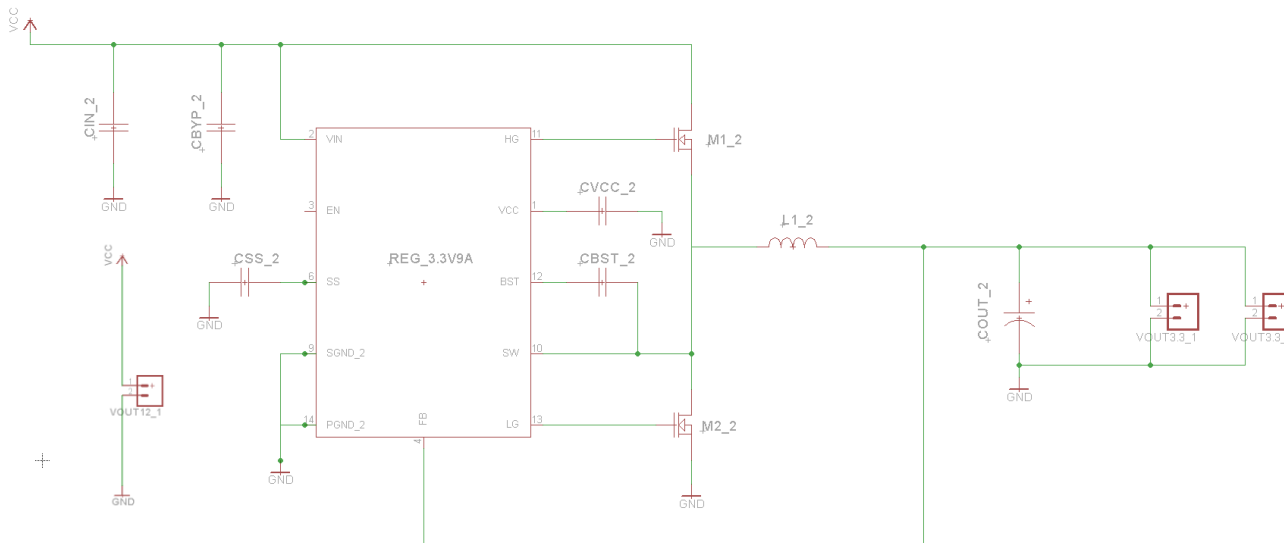
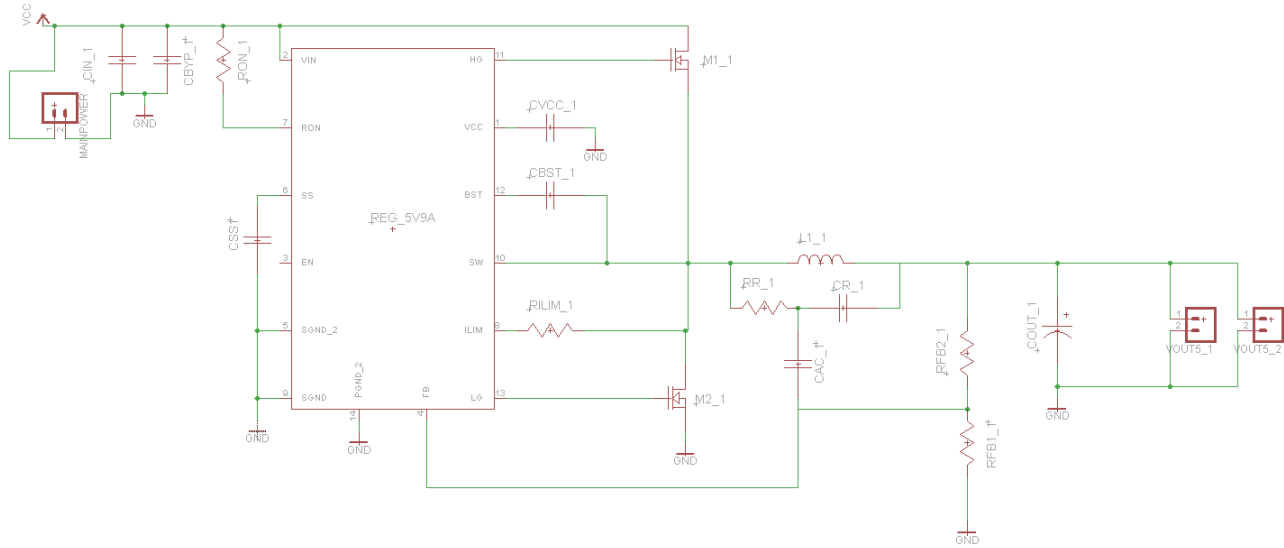
Component	Max I/V requirements
MSP430F5529 and MSP430F5528IRGC	250 mA, 3.3 V
CC3100	450 mA, 3.3 V
Pulse oximeter sensor	160 mA, 5 V
BASYS 2 FPGA	250 mA, 5 V
Body temperature sensor	100 mA, 5 V
7" LCD Monitor	700 mA, 12 V

Power regulation PCB (cont.)

- 120V AC to 12V, 12A DC adapter powers the HHA
- Board designed in Eagle CAD, sent to OSH Park for fabrication
- PCB parts ordered from Digikey and CoilCraft



Power regulation PCB schematics and board layout



Administrative Content

Bill of Materials List

Component / Part Number	Supplier / Distributor Price			Quantity	Already Owned?
	Digikey	Mouser	Other		
CC3100 Booster	\$20.39	\$20.39	-	1	Yes
MSP430F5529	\$ 8.05	\$ 8.05	-	1	Yes
BASYS 2 FPGA	-	-	-	1	Yes
100MHz Oscillator	-	-	\$ 6.00	1	Yes
PS/2 Keypad	-	-	\$ 10.00	1	Yes
ADG884BRMZ	\$ 2.86	\$ 2.70	-	3	Yes
MAX942	-	-	\$ 2.80	2	No
MC33078P	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.77	2	No
2N2222	\$ 0.85	\$ 1.79	-	4	No
7" LCD Screen	-	-	\$ 46.00	1	No
Power Supply	-	-	\$ 39.99	1	No
Buzzer	-	-	-	1	Yes
Red LED	-	-	\$ 0.49	2	Yes
Yellow LED	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.49	1	No
Green LED	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.49	4	No

Bill of Materials List (Cont.)

Component / Part Number	Supplier / Distributor Price			Quantity	Already Owned?
	Digikey	Mouser	Other		
NIR LED	-	-	\$ 0.60	1	Yes
TSL14S-LF	\$ 1.48	\$ 1.54	-	1	Yes
LMT87LP	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.98	1	Yes
All Regulators Combined	-	-	\$ 45.00	1	No
MCU PCB Parts	-	-	\$ 50.00	1	No
PCBs	-	-	\$ 122.00	6	No
Weight Scale	-	-	\$ 32.18	1	No
Soldering Station	-	-	\$ 30.00	1	Yes
Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor	-	-	\$ 26.99	1	No
Total Price of Parts	\$ 412.58				

Workload Distribution

Team Member	Nicholas	Alex	Jonathan	Zishan
FPGA Programming				X
MCU Programming		X	O	
Database Management		X		
Sensor Design	O		X	
Power Distribution			O	X
PCB Design			X	X

Legend

X - Primary
O - Secondary



Constraints

- Time
- Capital
- Tabletop area of space
- Health Safety Standards
- Information Security and Privacy



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Problems to Overcome

BASYS 2

- Possibly insufficient look-up tables (LUTs) for interfacing with keyboard, monitor, and MCU
- Allow user to erase inputted data

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- Transmitted data unencrypted
- Wi-Fi access point cannot easily be reconfigured
- Possible solution: implement Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS)
- Volatile memory

Sensors: Problems to Overcome

Digital Scale

- Currently cannot get the existing scale from Target to give any consistent readings via the multi-meter
- Waiting for strain gauges to come in to start testing on self built scale

Blood Pressure Machine

- Unable to decide on which device to use
- Fearful that removing the LCD will damage the device

Possible solutions

- Use item that come out of the box and manually enter data via number pad
- Buying existing platforms with sensors that exist to communicate with the MSP430

Questions?