

UEXT-3TO5V

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Introduction to UEXT-3TO5V

<u>UEXT</u> standard is for 3.3V devices. This is natural as most of modern processors work on 3.3V.

Sometimes though is necessary to access sensors and devices which work on 5V. In this case we need level converters.

Also it's nice to power these sensors and devices from the <u>UEXT</u>, so step up converter from 3 to 5V is also necessary.

<u>UEXT-3TO5V</u> solves these issues. It have step up converter which takes power from the 3V <u>UEXT</u> connector and convert it to 5V.

Also all <u>UEXT</u> signals UART, I2C, SPI have proper level shifters so these interfaces can be used on 5V devices.

Note that <u>UEXT-3TO5V</u> is not reversible i.e. can't be used to access 3V devices from 5V <u>UEXT</u> because of the step up converter it's unidirectional and only produces 5V from 3.3V not vice versa!

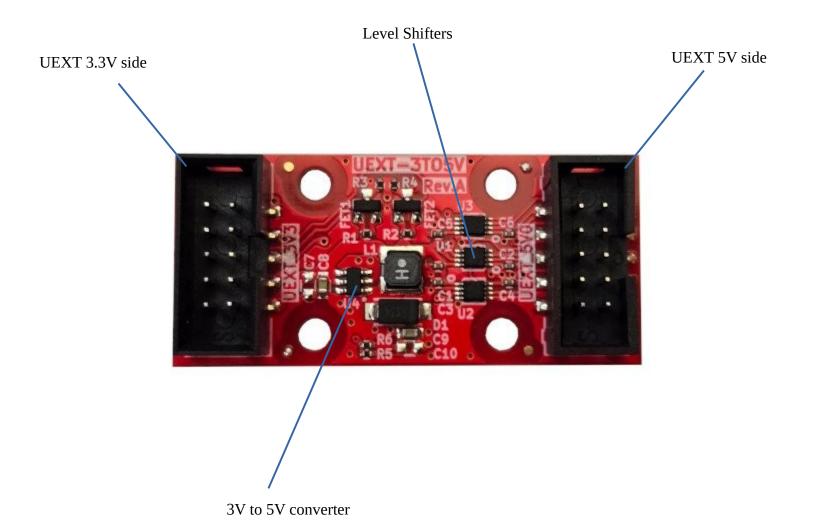
The maximum current which the step up converter can produce is 1A (if the <u>UEXT</u> 3.3V can provide enough current).

Order codes for UEXT-3TO5V:

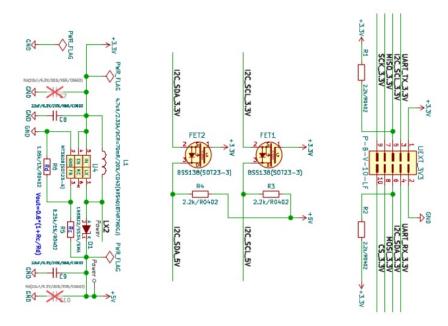
<u>UEXT-3TO5V</u> <u>UEXT</u> converter from 3V to 5V with step up converter and level shifters

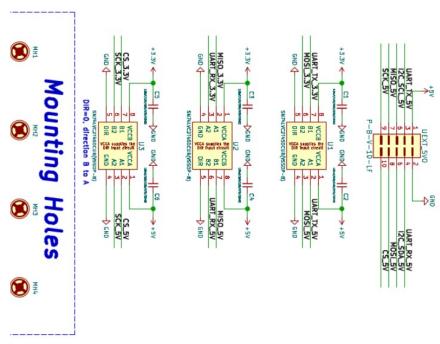
HARDWARE

UEXT-3TO5V layout

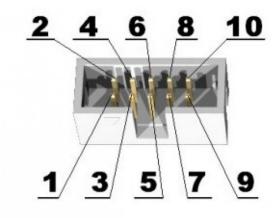


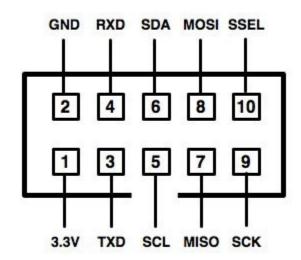
UEXT-3TO5V schematic:





UEXT connector signals:





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