

Cubeth EPS design review

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1 Requirement

Here will be presented the requirements directly related to the EPS and this project, the whole requirement list can be found in appendix A.

- **MR.1** The EPS shall provide enough power for nominal operations in sunlight as well as during eclipses.
- **MR.2** The EPS shall operate between -30°C and +40 °C
- **MR.4** The power supply shall be regulated at +3.3V ± 0.3V.
- **MR.5** The EPS shall be able to deliver currents up to 2A while irradiated by the Sun.

Additional requirements where added exclusively for this project:

- The batteries should charge if the bus voltage > 3.3V
- The batteries should discharge if the bus voltage < 3.3 V
- Power excess in case of high insolation should get dissipated in dedicated resistors

2 Acronyms

ABF	Add Before Flight.
ADCS	Attitude Determination and Control System.
ADS	Antenna Deployment System.
CDMS	Command and Data Management System.
COM	Communication.
EPS	Electrical Power Subsystem.
MB	Motherboard.
PMB	Power Management Board.
P-POD	Poly Picosatellite Orbital Deployer.
RBF	Remove before flight.
Rf	Radio Frequency.
SC	Solar Cell.

3 Introduction

The CubETH mission is the second CubeSat picosatellite mission developed by EPFL and ETHZ. Satellite science goal is Precise Orbit Determination and attitude determination based on Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) technologies. ETHZ is in charge of the science mission payload. The hardware and software design of the other subsystems is run by EPFL.

The goal of this project originally was to test the Electrical Power Subsystem (EPS) board, however due to the numerous errors found in the schematics and the mounting mistakes, the project has been reoriented towards debugging the card from all these flaws. The problems that appeared will be presented followed by their solution. In this project the PCB that has been used is the one that has been manufactured according to Quentin Cabrol's report [1] and diagrams.

3.1 Electrical Power Subsystem (EPS) role

The Electrical Power Subsystem (EPS) is an essential block of a satellite. It gathers energy from the sun and earth albedo through solar panels and provides the energy supply to all the other satellite subsystems. Depending on the availability of the energy it can turn on or off certain modules. If the EPS was to fail, the satellite would die. Therefore redundancy and reliability in this module are critical. EPS is also in charge of controlling the charge/discharge cycle of the embedded batteries to ensure an uninterrupted functioning of the satellite. The previous version of the EPS ensured overcurrent protection, but for space availability concerns on the PCB this latch-up protection is now embedded locally on each other subsystem. However the EPS still ensures that the batteries never get overcharged and that the supply voltages remain between acceptable bounds in any cases thanks to a system of power management implemented with dissipation resistors that dissipate the electrical current that is not needed by the system and could damage it. The Direct Energy Transfer (DET) architecture has been picked up preferentially to the alternative Maximum Peak Power Tracking (MPPT) for several reasons: it is simpler, allows to have redundancy without the need to implement backup analogic circuitry for the peak tracking algorithm and do not need as many power consuming voltage regulators as the later. EPS controls as well the temperature of the solar panels, the current they provide, the voltage of the power bus, the charge and discharge currents of one of the batteries and their temperature. All these data allow the microcontroller to take real time decisions in whether a module should be turned ON or OFF depending on

the current state of the available power and satellite temperatures.

In brief, the EPS missions are:

- Power gathering and storage,
- Power distribution,
- Power and temperature monitoring,
- Dissipation of power for battery protection.

As an additional role, the EPS as its own microcontroller embedded that receives and treat housekeeping data (HK) from the other modules.

The basic functioning of the EPS MB is presented in this following flowchart.

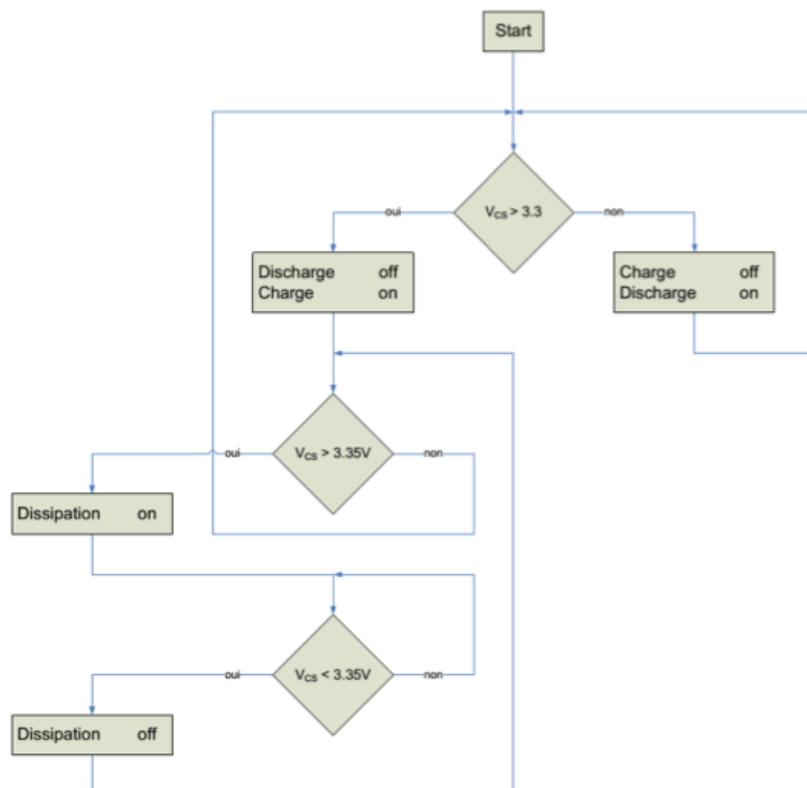


Figure 1: EPS MB functioning flowchart

3.2 Project Goal

As it has been briefly said in the introduction, the project has been redefined from testing the card to debugging it and getting it to work for future tests. Three main functions of the EPS had to be checked and debugged, these are the dissipation, the charge and the discharge of the battery. Details about these functions will be provided further in this report. The mistakes that had to be detected where can be separated in two groups, the first one is mounting mistakes that occur due to careless mistakes or if the schematic of the layout of the pcb isn't clear, e.g : Names of components overlapping each other. The second group is due to mistakes that can be found in the electrical schematics. The mistakes from the first group need a careful review of the components mounted on the PCB, the values and the orientation of each component need to be thoroughly checked. The mistakes of the second group can be found comparing the schemes of Cubeth with the schemes of SwissCube, since the systems from the first one are largely inspired from the second one. Finally another goal of this project is to provide a comprehensive document (almost like an user's manual) about the functioning of the EPS MB (mother board) in order to allow following students to work on the EPS test it and understand it, without having to struggle with large quantities of previous reports.

The main tasks are summarized in this list :

- Litterature Review
- Swisscube design review
- Mounting of components review
- Debug of the card
- Provide a corrected electronic diagram
- Basic test to check if the card works
- Write an user's manual for the next student

4 Power budget

The power consumption is taken as the sum of the powers used by each of the subsystems of the CubETH. The main power consuming modules are the ADCS and the COM board that transmits information over RF signals. Table 1 sums up the consumption of the different modules in mW. In reality all the modules are not constantly turned on and most of the time the satellite consumes less than the maximum power. Typically the COM board transmission (Tx) is shut down most of the time and only a Morse beacon is transmitted from the satellite. The COM board is enabled when it receives an incoming transmission from the ground segment.

Subsystem	Power (mW)
EPS	150
Payload acquisition	200
Payload measurements	300
CDMS mean	100
Beacon	55
ADCS Magnetometer	20
ADCS Gyroscope	20
ADCS Sun Sensors	100
ADCS Magnetotorquers	225
COM Rx	90
COM Tx	3000

Table 1: Power budget

5 Mounting mistakes

5.1 OPAs mounted backwards

Problem symptoms : When a voltage is applied between the VCC and the GND, the power source gets stuck at 0.7 V and the current rises up the limit imposed by the user on the current limitator.

Source of the problem : The OPAs 2333 U8 and U9 (so it concerns 4 components because of redundancy) had been soldered backwards,i.e the pin 1 was soldered on pad 8 and vice-versa.

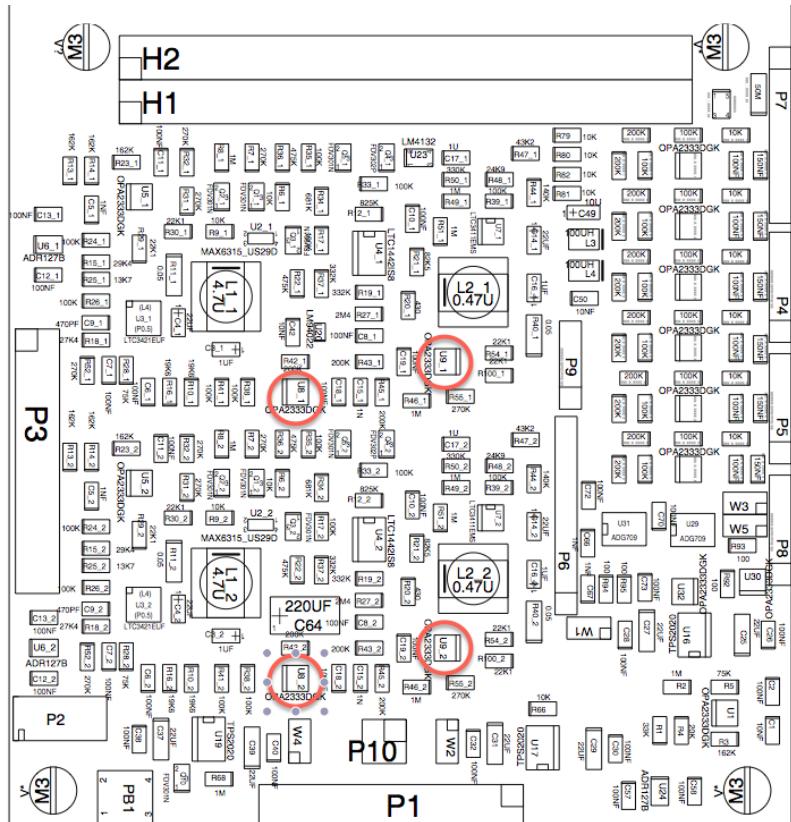


Figure 2: OPAs that were mounted backwards

Fix: Unsolder them and resolder them in the correct orientation.

Proposition: Serigraph the positions of the pins "1" for active components for future prototypes in order to avoid loosing time due to mounting problems, that are not easy to detect

due to the large amount of components. For the card that will be embarked if serigraphy is not possible, extra care is needed during mounting.

5.2 Wrong inductances mounted in the discharge circuit

Problem symptoms: None because problem was detected before trying discharge. According to the datasheet a wrong inductor could affect the discharge current.

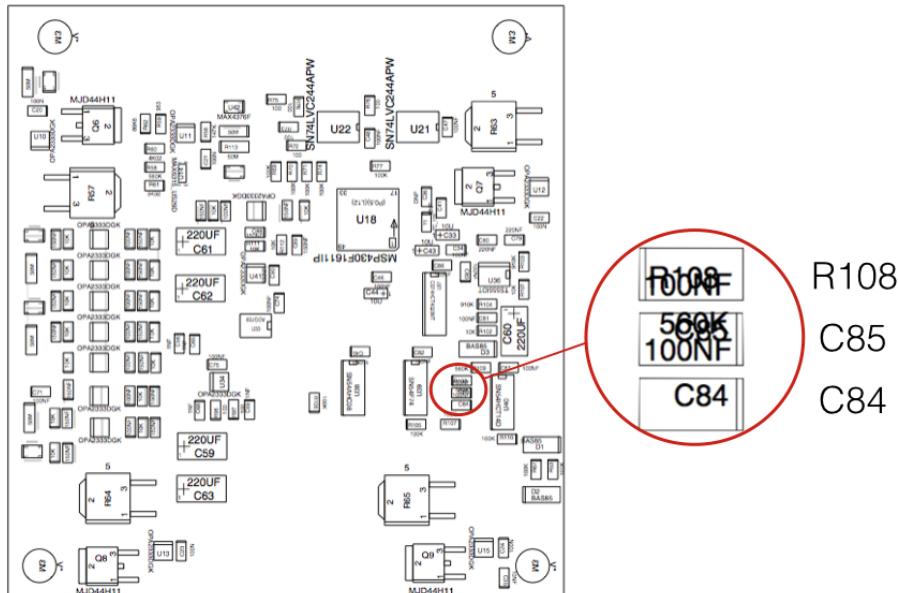
Source of the problem : $4.7 \mu H$ inductors had been used instead of $0.47 \mu H$. Component is named "L2" on the diagrams.

Fix: Replaced them with correct inductances.

5.3 Misplaced components due to unclear diagram

Problem symptoms: None, was detected by after a visual inspection.

Source of the problem : Due to an unclear electrical diagram a resistor and a capacitor had been misplaced as it can be seen on fig. 3. C85 was at the place of R108 and vice versa.



6 Electrical diagram mistakes

6.1 VCC disconnected from ABF

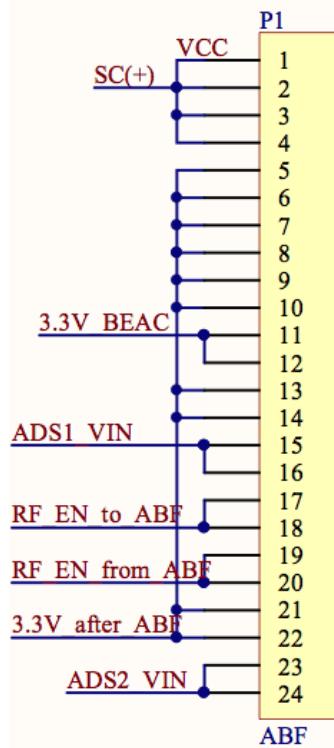


Figure 4: ABF pins

Problem symptoms : VCC is at 0 V even though SC+ was set at 3.3 V through a power source.

Source of the problem : As it can be seen on fig. 4, SC+ and VCC should be connected together through the ABF, however a mistake in Altium Designer was made, and the VCC line was not connected to the SC+ line.

Fix: The plans have been corrected on Altium. A cable connecting the two of them has been soldered on the card.

6.2 Grounded reference

Problem symptoms : The charge command (CHG CMD) was always on a high level and dissipation was always active.

Source of the problem : As it can be seen on fig. 5, the Vref line is connected to the GND, for this reason the comparators in the "Dissipation box" and the "Battery Control" box where comparing the voltage of the bus with the GND, so naturally the charge was always activated as well as the dissipation. Also the routing was made in such a way that R60 was grounded instead of being connected to Vref (U24 pin 4), and the pins 1 an 5 of U1 where at GND instead of being on the Vref line.

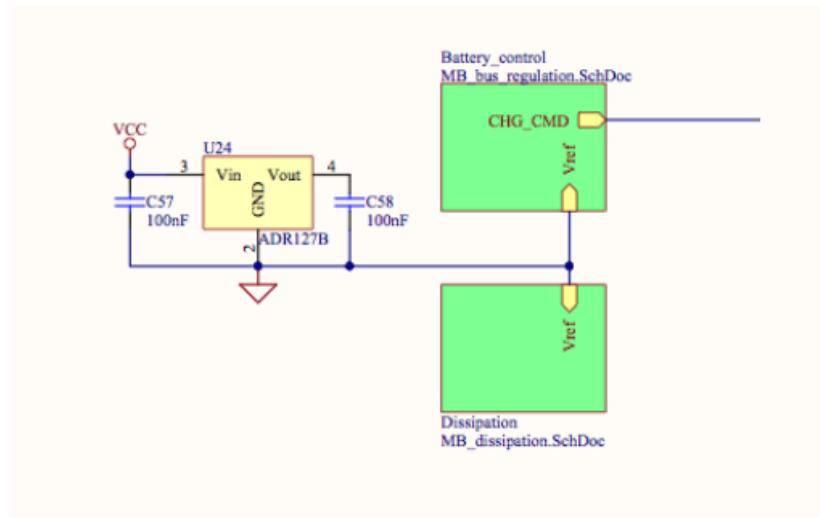


Figure 5: The output of the ADR 127 B has been mistakenly connected to the ground

Fix: The plans have been on Altium as it can be seen in fig. 6, and the PCB has been corrected physically as seen on fig. 7

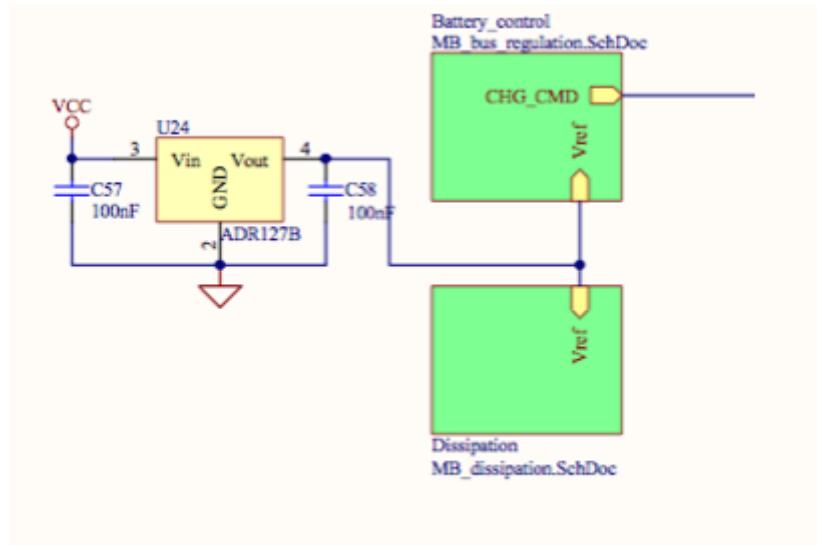


Figure 6: The corrected schematic

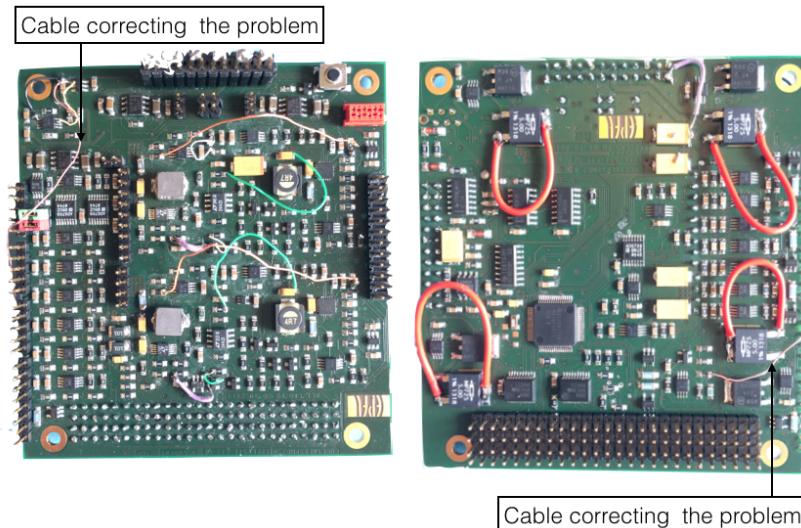


Figure 7: The thin pink cable corrects the aforementioned problem

6.3 Ground missing in the charge circuit

Problem symptoms : The charge was never activated due to the shutdown always activated (active low so level was at 0).

Source of the problem : As seen on fig. 8, at the node of R19,C8 and R27 there should be a ground.

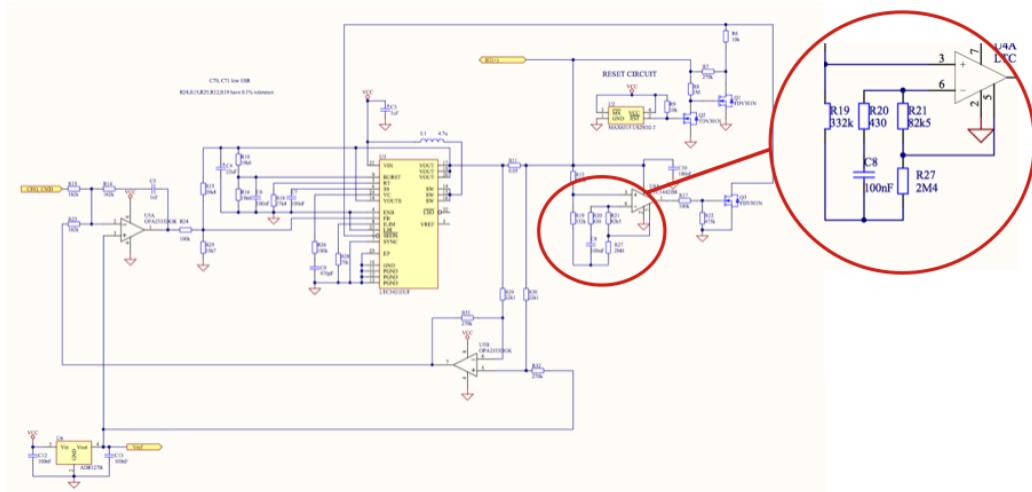


Figure 8: The charge diagram with the missing ground

Fix : Added the ground on the diagram and cabled it on the PCB.

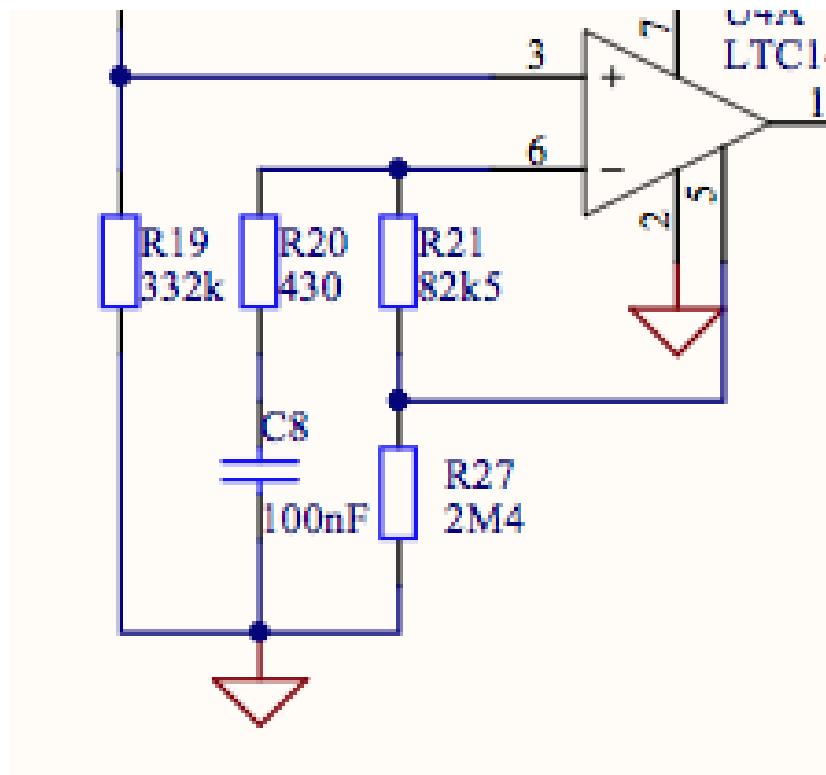


Figure 9: The corrected charge diagram with the ground added

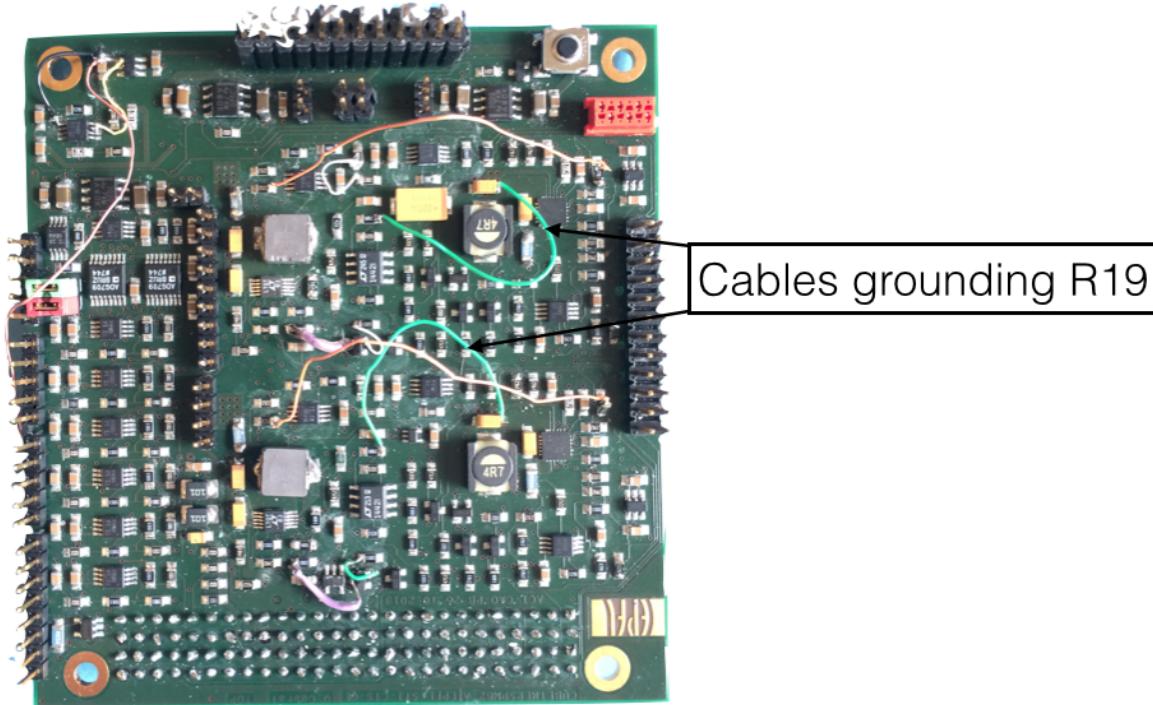


Figure 10: The cables added in order to ground the node of R19,C8 and R27

6.4 The importance of drawing properly oriented transistors

Problem symptoms : The discharge never got activated even when the bus voltage was under 3.3 V and the battery was fully charged.

Source of the problem : In the electrical diagram of the discharge, transistor Q4 had been inverted, the drain was at BT(+) whereas it should have been the source as it can be seen on fig. 12.

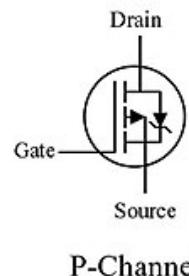


Figure 11: A P channel MOSFET transistor

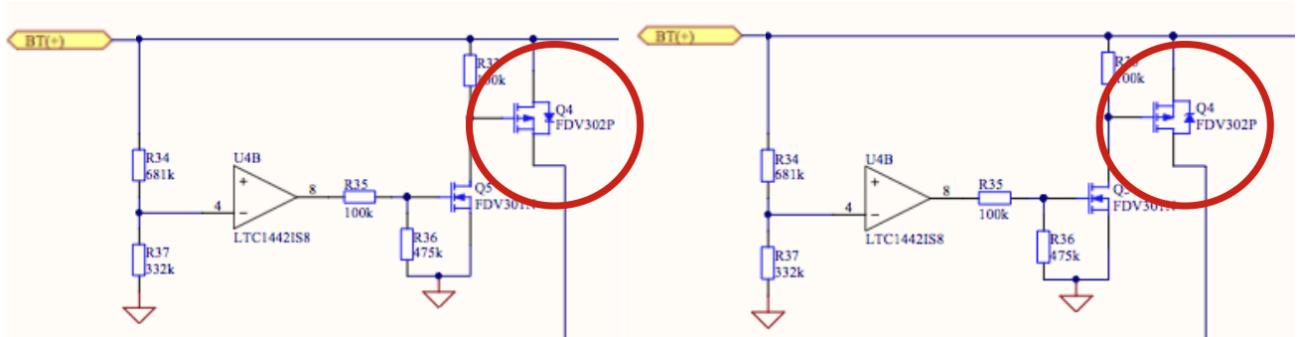


Figure 12: On the left the erroneously placed transistor, on the right the corrected diagram

Fix : Swisscube diagrams were checked and the transistor has been replaced correctly on the altium plans of Cubeth and a bypass has been made on the PCB.

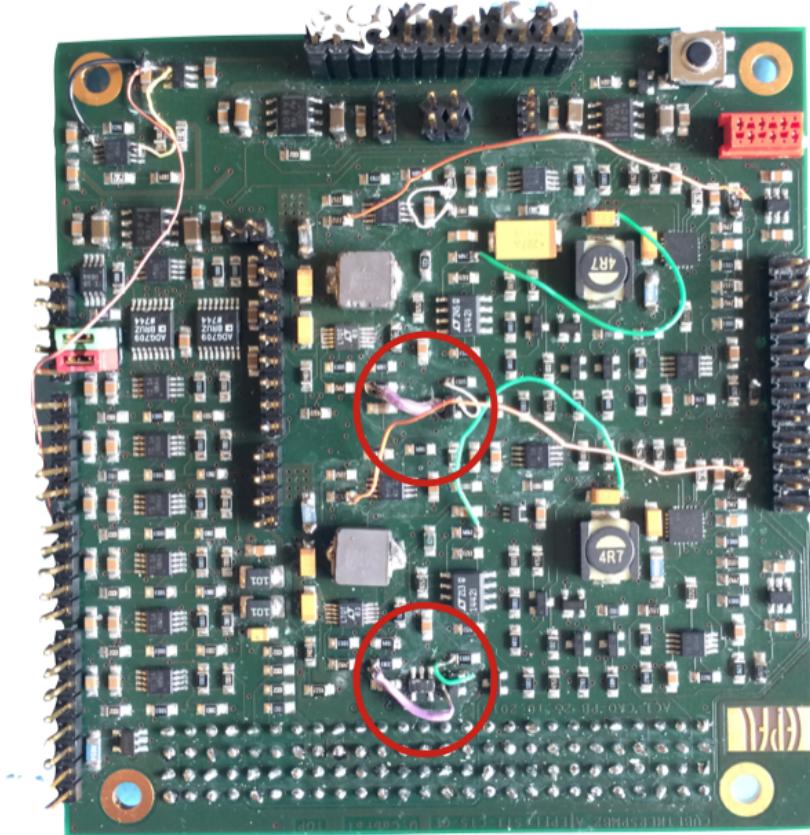


Figure 13: In the red circles, the bypass that has been made in order to fix the problem

6.5 Dissipation resistors erroneously routed

Dissipation resistors are R57,R63,R64 and R65

Problem symptoms: Incoherency voltages measured at the pins of the resistors, impossibility to verify if they are dissipating or not.

Source of the problem : Even though the electrical schematics where correct, the routing has been done incorrectly. Pin 2 seen on fig. 14 is the heat sink, it is clearly mentioned in the datasheet that "Resistor element is electrically isolated from the metal heat sink tab". This means that if we look at fig. 15, we should have for example pin 1 on the emitter of Q7 and pin 3 to the ground. However it was found on the PCB that pin 3 hadn't been grounded, only pin 2 (which is grounded for heat dissipation purposes).

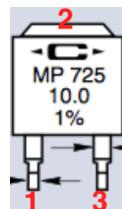


Figure 14: MP 725-5 dissipation resistors

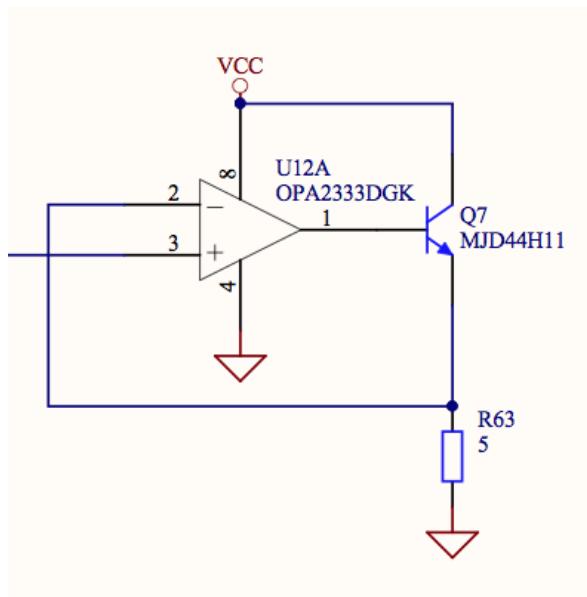


Figure 15: One of the four dissipation command circuits

Fix: Pin 3 was grounded by adding a cable.

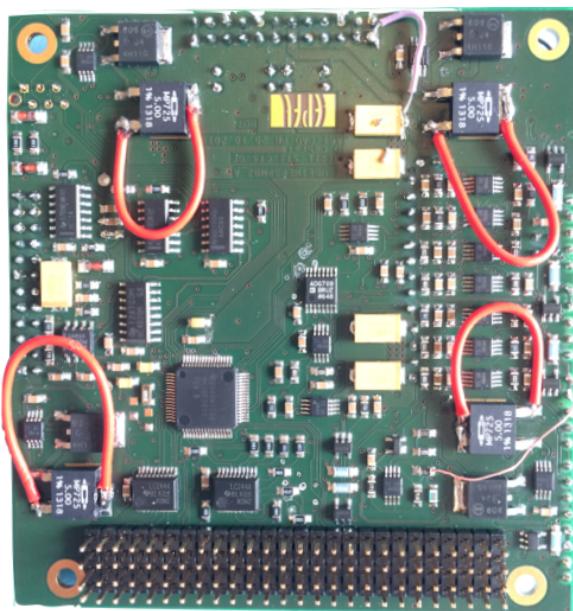


Figure 16: The red cables ground pin 3 of the resistors (ground is under the heat sink)

Proposition: Clarify this point with the person that does the routing and check it before PCB is manufactured.

6.6 Wrongly placed reference

Problem symptoms : Charge and discharge were activated at the same time.

Source of the problem : As we can see on fig. 17 which is taken from the discharge diagram, Vref was arriving over R54.

Fix : Looking at Swisscube's design the diagram has been corrected (Vref arrives under R54), as well as the PCB.

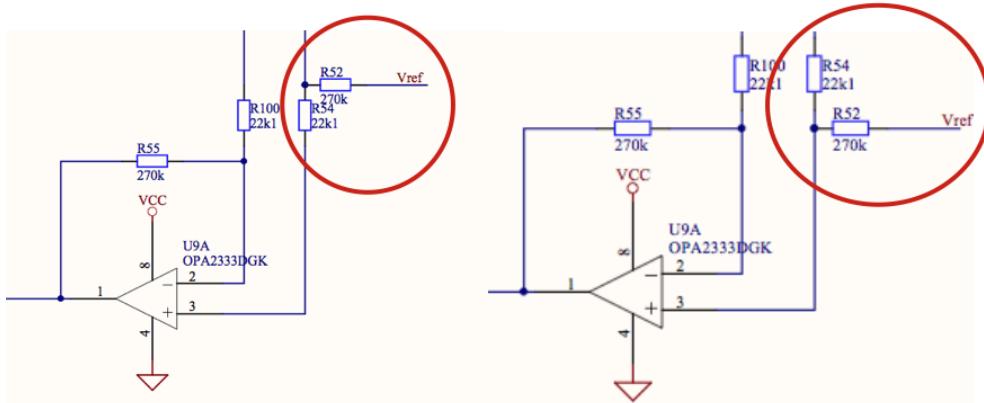


Figure 17: On the left the erroneously placed reference, on the right the corrected diagram

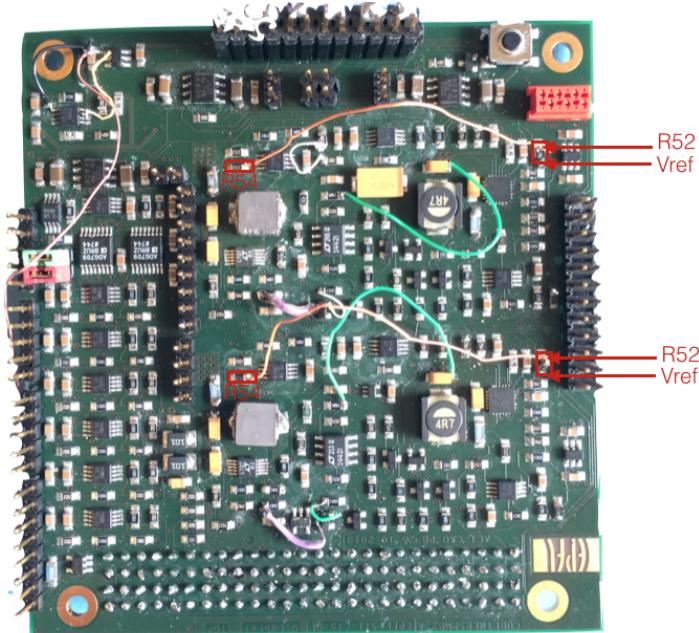


Figure 18: The problem has been fixed by disconnecting the pin of R52 that was on the pad connected to R54 and a bypass with the orange wire

7 EPS user's manual

7.1 The power source

Cubeth will be equipped with 5 faces containing each two solar panels in series. Each panel has theoretical output current of 520 mA (at 0° incidence), therefore for two panels in series, the max current is 520 mA. In consequence we will **set the current limitator of our source at 520 mA**. The circuit can tolerate higher currents but the user **shouldn't go over 1 A**.

7.2 Cabling

ABF

The Add Before Flight (ABF) connector has been plugged on connector P1 in order to power all the subsystems of the cubesat as it is shown here in fig . 19. The plug can be split in 5 separate parts permitting customized activation during prototyping and tests. The first part is the main plug activating the power bus of the satellite, the others permit to activate respectively the beacon, the first ADS, the RF power on the communication board, and the second ADS.

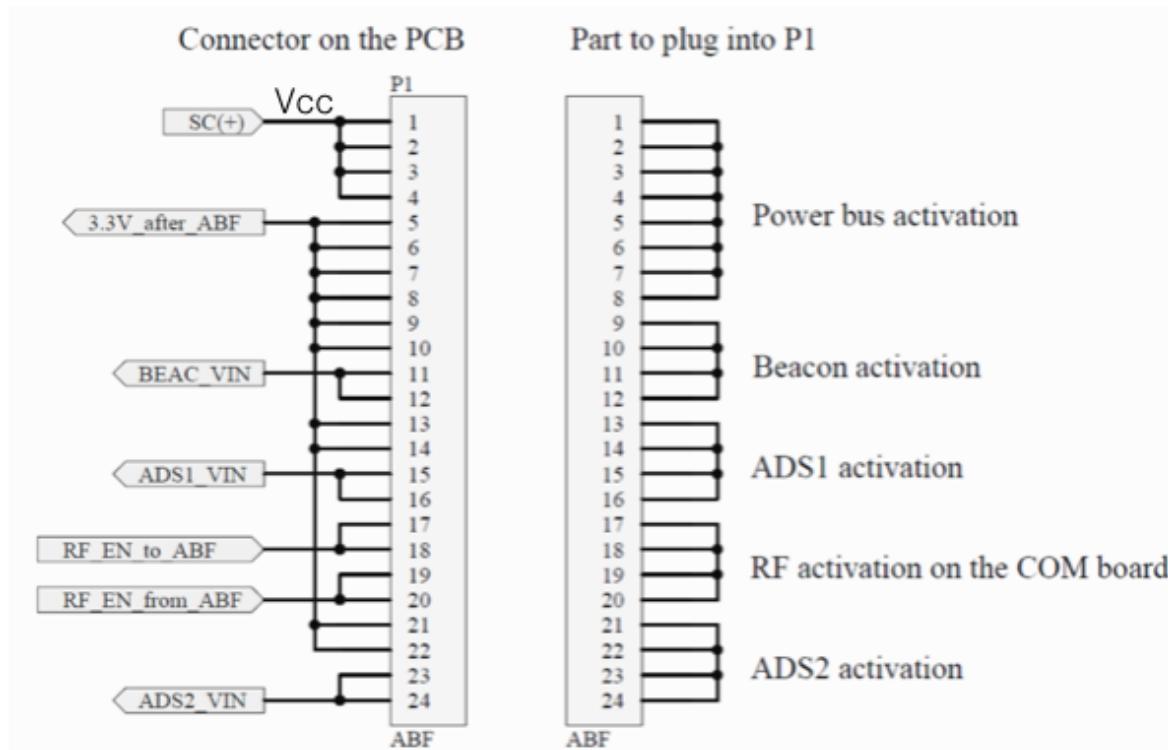


Figure 19: The P1 connector on the left, on the right the part to plug in P1

Kill switches

In order to connect the SC (-) to the ground (and therefore close the circuit to get the EPS to work), jumpers should be added over W3 and W5. Their position is shown on fig 20.

Other jumpers to eventually add

Should the user want to use the PMB part of the EPS, a jumper will have to be added on W1 in order to connect +3.3 V EPS. If the ADS1 and ADS2 want to be used, jumpers over W2 and W4 will have to be added in to connect +3.3 V ADS1 and/or ADS2.

VCC

In order to power the EPS by simulating our solar panels, we will connect the (+) output of our power source to the pins labelled "VCC" on the diagram, this can be done at pins P3-9 and/or P3-10, or directly at one of the pins of the ABF if it's connected. The (-) output of the source is connected to the GND pins, which are pins P3-21 to P-24 for example.

Batteries

As it can be seen on fig. 20, the EPS presents a redundancy, the upper part is powered by battery 1 (or charges it), the battery is connected between pins BT1(+) i.e P3-3 or P3-4 and the GND. For the lower part the second battery is connected between BT2(+) i.e P3-5 or P3-6 and the GND.

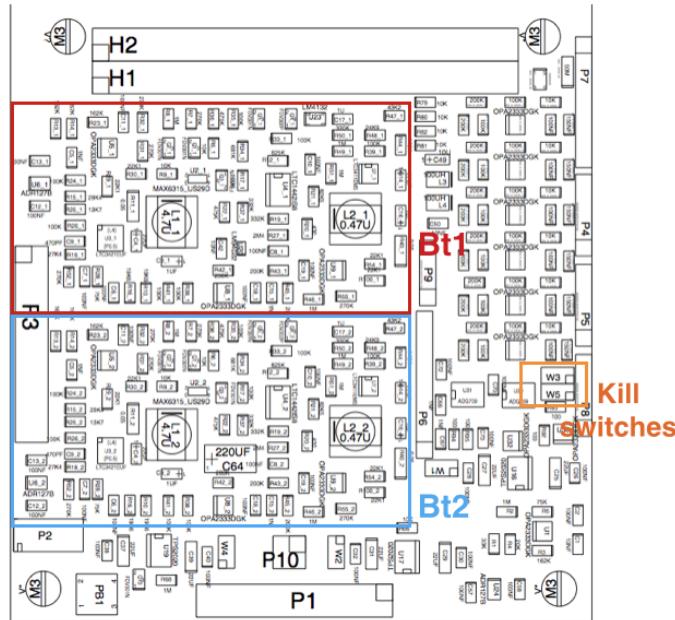


Figure 20: The EPS redundancy shown, the upper part powered by battery 1 and the lower part by battery 2. Kill switches to be jumped are also shown

Note : In Quentin Cabrol's PCB the GND was not kept properly at 0 V when a voltage higher than 3 V was applied, in order to pull the GND closer to 0V, the user can connect more than one pin to the (-) of the power source, for examples pins P3 21 to 24. Same advice goes for the VCC, more than one pin can be connected (on the service pins P3 or on the ABF for example. //

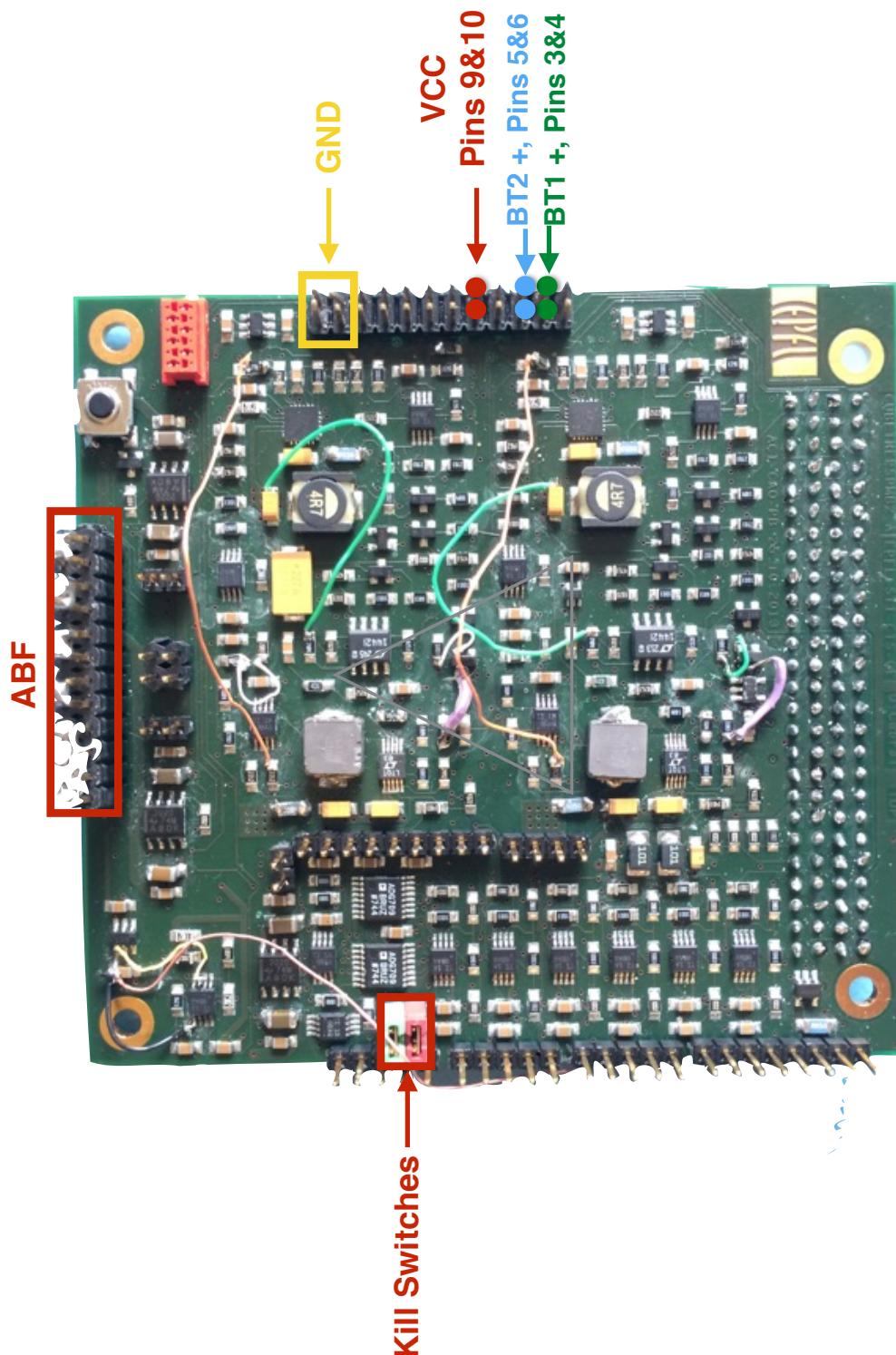


Figure 21: Useful pins to get the EPS to work

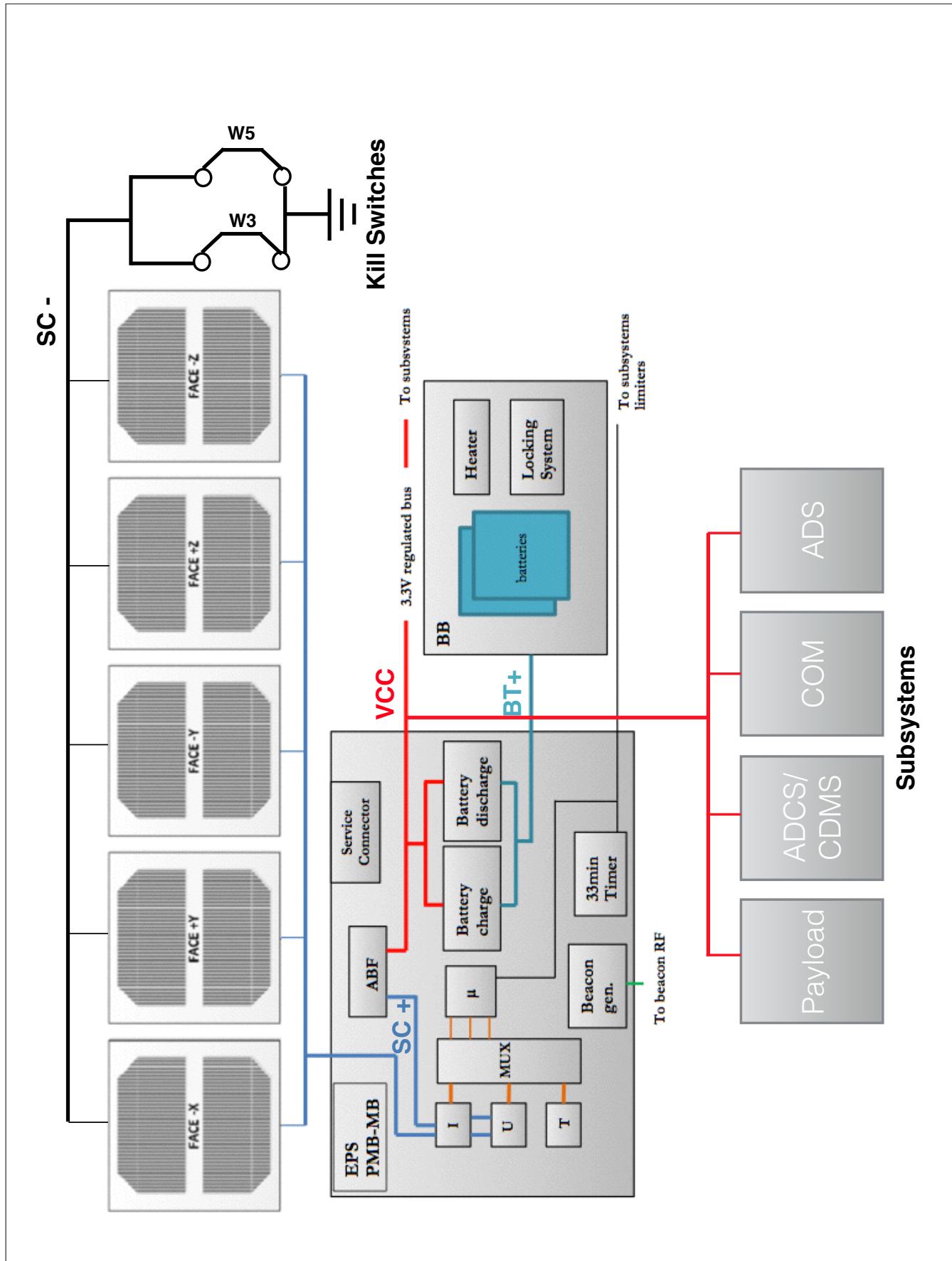


Figure 22: Architecture of the EPS

7.3 Getting the EPS to work

If the batteries are connected, once turning on the power source, it should be already at 3.3 V since the batteries are being discharged in order to maintain this voltage. Also it is useful to connect an ampere meter to the batteries to check the discharging current (negative) or the charging current (positive). If we try to raise the voltage with our power source over 3.3 V, the charge will get activated and the power source will quickly reach our current limit. The reader will find in appendix G the diagrams annotated with the voltages obtained at different inputs and outputs of the components for charge and discharge.

7.4 Basic tests

Should the reader want to test a single function of the EPS MB , the following lines explain the procedures.

Charge

It suffices to plug the battery as explained previously and monitor with an ampere meter if the current flows into the battery for voltages over 3.3 V.

Discharge

It suffices to plug the battery as explained previously and monitor with an ampere meter if the current flows out of the battery for voltages under 3.3 V. The bus voltage should be kept at 3.3 V during discharge.

Dissipation

To test dissipation, one can remove the batteries and exclusively monitor the voltage of the dissipation resistors (R57, R63, R64, R65) to see if dissipation is activated for voltages over 3.3V. Once dissipation is active the bus should be kept down at 3.3 V and the reader will see the current rise on the power source display which is consumed by the resistors).

8 Conclusions

The main goal of this project has been reached, this was to debug the EPS PCB from the different mistakes that were made and test charge/discharge and dissipation at standard temperature and pressure conditions.

Debugging this card has been a tough challenge since mistake sources were multiple. With so many components on the PCB, it is difficult to see where the problems are. Also one wouldn't immediately think about mounting mistakes (wrong component, wrong placement), but for such projects where everything is done by hand, I have learned that if I am confronted to such a challenge again, it is important to verify **each** component and its placement, to avoid bad surprises. The process of finding all the errors has been long, but thanks to this project I have learned how to tackle such problems, and another positive point is that the method I have acquired could be applied to any engineering challenge.

Also during this project, running simulations of the circuit helped me a lot in order to find where the problems were. It would be a good thing in the projects to have simulations run before delivering the diagrams, just to be sure no mistakes were made.

Another lesson I learned is that it is very easy do a small mistake when designing the electrical diagrams (as it has been seen in the report), for this reason it is important upon drawing such diagrams, to have a third party re read and check the diagrams, even if it takes some time explaining the task to this external person, it could save a lot of time for the future.

9 Future Work

Now that the card has been debugged a thorough testing part needs to be conducted with the new PCB. The main functions which are charge, discharge and dissipation should be tested as explained during this report. Extensive testing can be done following the protocols established by Nicolas Steiner for Swisscube in his report [5], where it is explained which tests to run and at which temperature and pressure conditions .Then other functions should be tested such as the timer that should last 33 mins and the functioning of all the PMB part,which has been untouched in this project. The details about the functions can be found in Kevin Boca's [2] and Quentin cabrol's [1] reports . Also the power budget should be reviewed and updated once all the subsystems are available, tests by simulating the various subsystem consumptions or even by plugging them directly to the EPS should be run should the hardware be available.

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A Requirements

The requirements have been taken from Kevin Boca's thesis [2], as they haven't changed since then. Starting from the cubesat design specifications which lists all the characteristics and safety future a satellite shall have in order to be classified as a cubesat and be allowed to be placed on a launcher. Note that this document is valid for 1U satellites as well as 3U ones. The Electrical Requirement (ER) of the cubsat standard are listed here below.

ER.1 No electronics shall be active during launch to prevent any electrical or RF interference with the launch vehicle and primary payloads. CubeSats with batteries shall be fully deactivated during launch or launch with discharged batteries.

ER.2 The CubeSat shall include at least one deployment switch on the designated rail stand-off (shown in Figure 3) to completely turn off satellite power once actuated. In the actuated state, the deployment switch shall be centered at or below the level of the standoff.

ER.2.1 All systems shall be turned off, including real time clocks.

ER.3 To allow for CubeSat diagnostics and battery charging after the CubeSats have been integrated into the P-POD all CubeSat umbilical connectors shall be within the designated Access Port locations, green shaded areas shown in Figure 3.

ER.3.1 Triple CubeSats shall use the designated Access Port locations.

ER.3.2 Note: CubeSat deployment switch shall be depressed while inside the P-POD. All diagnostics and battery charging shall be done while the deployment switch is depressed.

ER.4 The CubeSat shall include a Remove Before Flight (RBF) pin or launch with batteries fully discharged. The RBF pin shall be removed from the CubeSat after integration into the P-POD.

ER.4.1 The RBF pin shall be accessible from the Access Port location, green shaded areas shown in 23.

ER.4.1.1 Triple CubeSats shall locate their RBF pin in one of the 3 designated Access Port

locations .

ER.4.2 The RBF pin shall cut all power to the satellite once it is inserted into the satellite.

ER.4.3 The RBF pin shall not protrude more than 6.5 mm from the rails when it is fully inserted into the satellite.

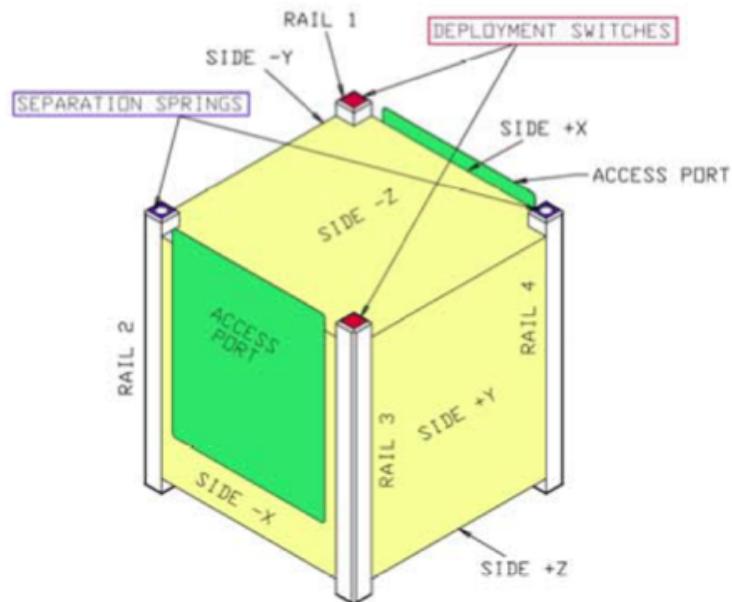


Figure 23: Drawing of the satellite specifying the interfaces such as switches, springs and area where the service connector shall be located

There are also some Operational Requirement (**OR**) defined in the cubsat design specification which could affect the design of the EPS. These selected required conditions are listed here below.

OR.1 CubeSats with batteries shall have the capability to receive a transmitter shutdown command, as per Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulation.

OR.2 All deployables such as booms, antennas, and solar panels shall wait to deploy a minimum of 30 minutes after the CubeSat's deployment switch(es) are activated from P-POD ejection.

OR.3 RF transmitters greater than 1 mW shall wait to transmit a minimum of 30 minutes after the CubeSat's deployment switch(es) are activated from P-POD ejection.

The last group of requirements comes from the system and is specific to the CubETH mission. These are listed here and identified with the label Mission Requirement (**MR**).

MR.1 The EPS shall provide enough power for nominal operations in sunlight as well as during eclipses.

MR.2 The EPS shall operate between -30°C and +40 °C.

MR.3 The EPS shall provide separated power lines with overcurrent protection for the different subsystems.

MR.4 The power supply shall be regulated at $+3.3V \pm 0.3V$.

MR.5 The EPS shall be able to deliver currents up to 2A while irradiated by the Sun.

MR.6 The EPS shall fully recharge the batteries in less than [TBD] orbits after any of the defined modes of operation.

MR.7 The energy storage (batteries) shall be redundant.

MR.8 From activation, after ejection from the P-POD, the EPS shall always stay on.

MR.9 The mission and therefore the EPS shall last at least 2 years.

B Under voltage discharge hysteresis protection

The discharge of the battery is protected by a hysteresis comparator (U4B), its characteristics are presented here under in fig. 25. When the comparator has an output at 0 V, discharge can take place.

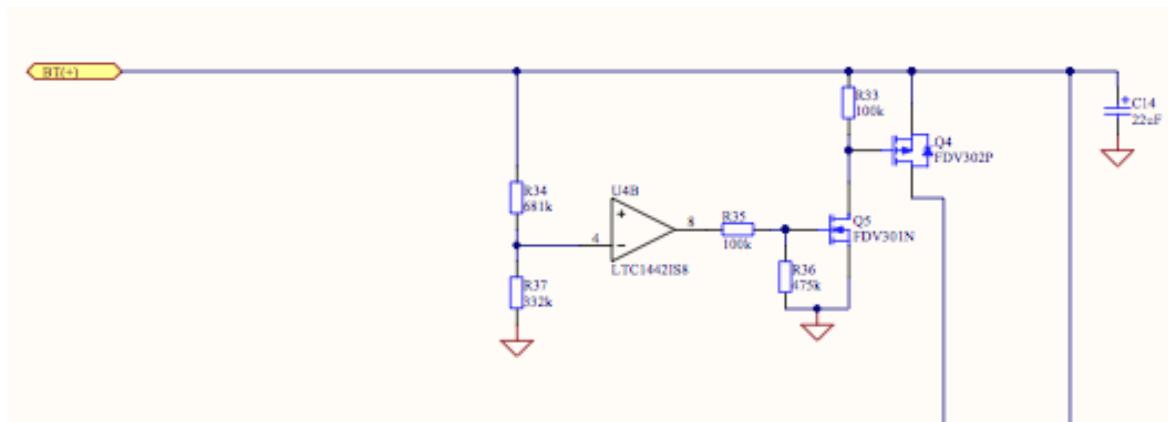


Figure 24: Hysteresis comparator in the discharge diagram

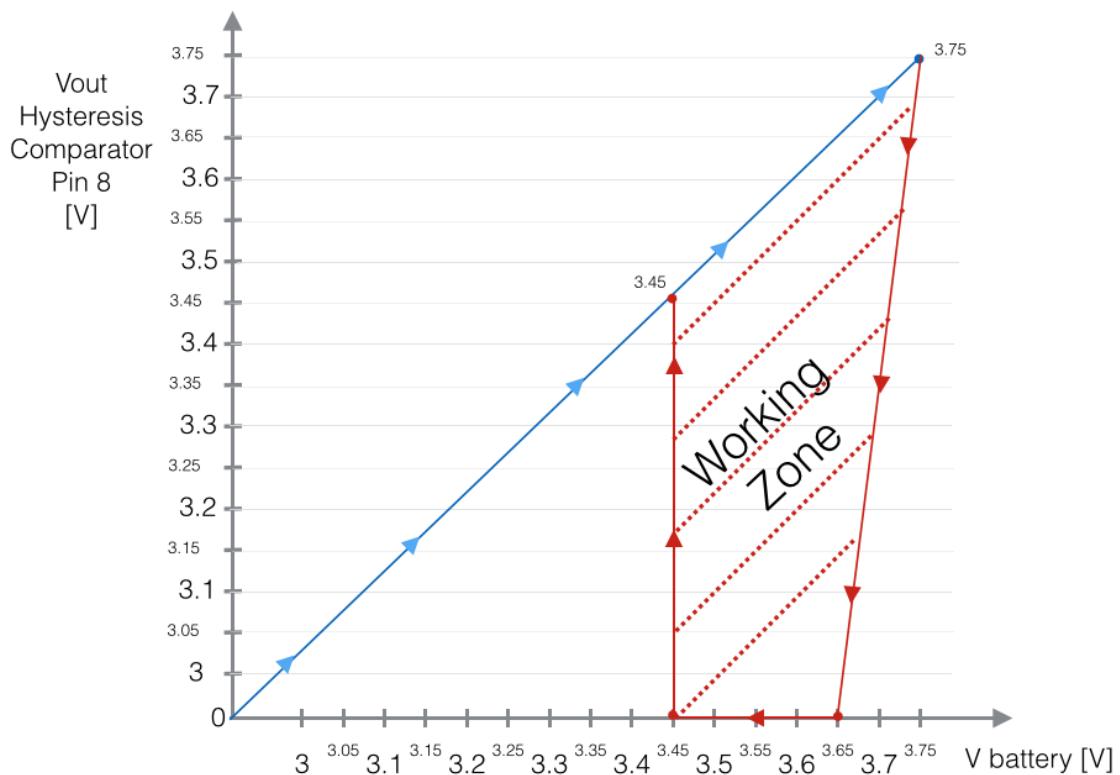


Figure 25: Hysteresis curve of the comparator

C Troubleshoot

Symptoms	Section	Page
When a voltage is applied between the VCC and the GND, the power source gets stuck at 0.7 V and the current rises up the limit imposed by the user on the current limitator.	5.1	13.
VCC is at 0 V even though SC+ was set at 3.3 V through a power source.	6.1	16
The charge command (CHG CMD) is always on a high level and dissipation is always active.	6.2	17
The charge is never activated due to the shutdown always activated	6.3	18
The discharge never gets activated even when the bus voltage is under 3.3 V and the battery is fully charged	6.4	20
Incoherency for the voltages measured at the pins of the resistors, impossibility to verify if they are dissipating or not	6.5	22
Charge and discharge get activated at the same time	6.6	24

Table 2: Troubleshoot table

D Simulations

In order to help find the bugs, during the project a couple simulations have been run on two different programs :

- **Multisim from National Instruments** : With multisim, the "bus reg" and the "dissipation" circuits have been simulated. (c.f appendix F). EPFL has licenses for Multisim in the electronics lab if needed.
- **LT spice from Linear Technologies** : The "charge" has been simulated with LT spice IV , the software can be downloaded from <http://www.linear.com/designtools/software/>. I recommend the windows version over the mac one, since it is much more complete.

These simulations will be joined to the project folder. Also, in order to visualiser the routing of Quentin Cabrol's [1] pcb routing, the software **Allegro Viewer** was used.

E JTAG-MM6 connector

A JTAG-MM6 connector was also built during this project in order to facilitate the flashing of the EPS for the programming phase.

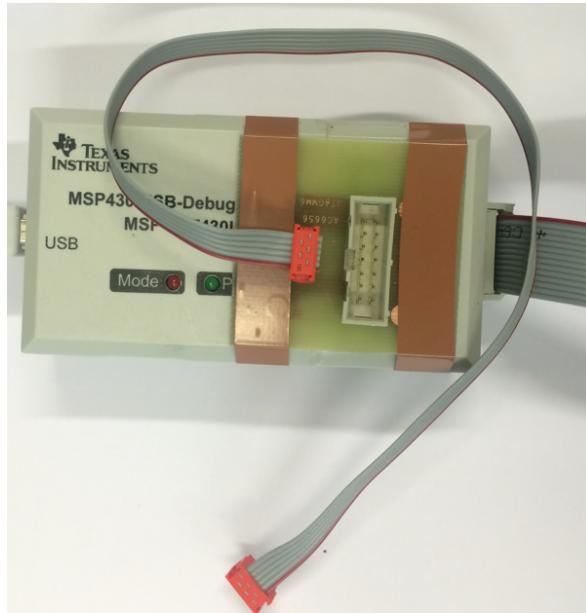
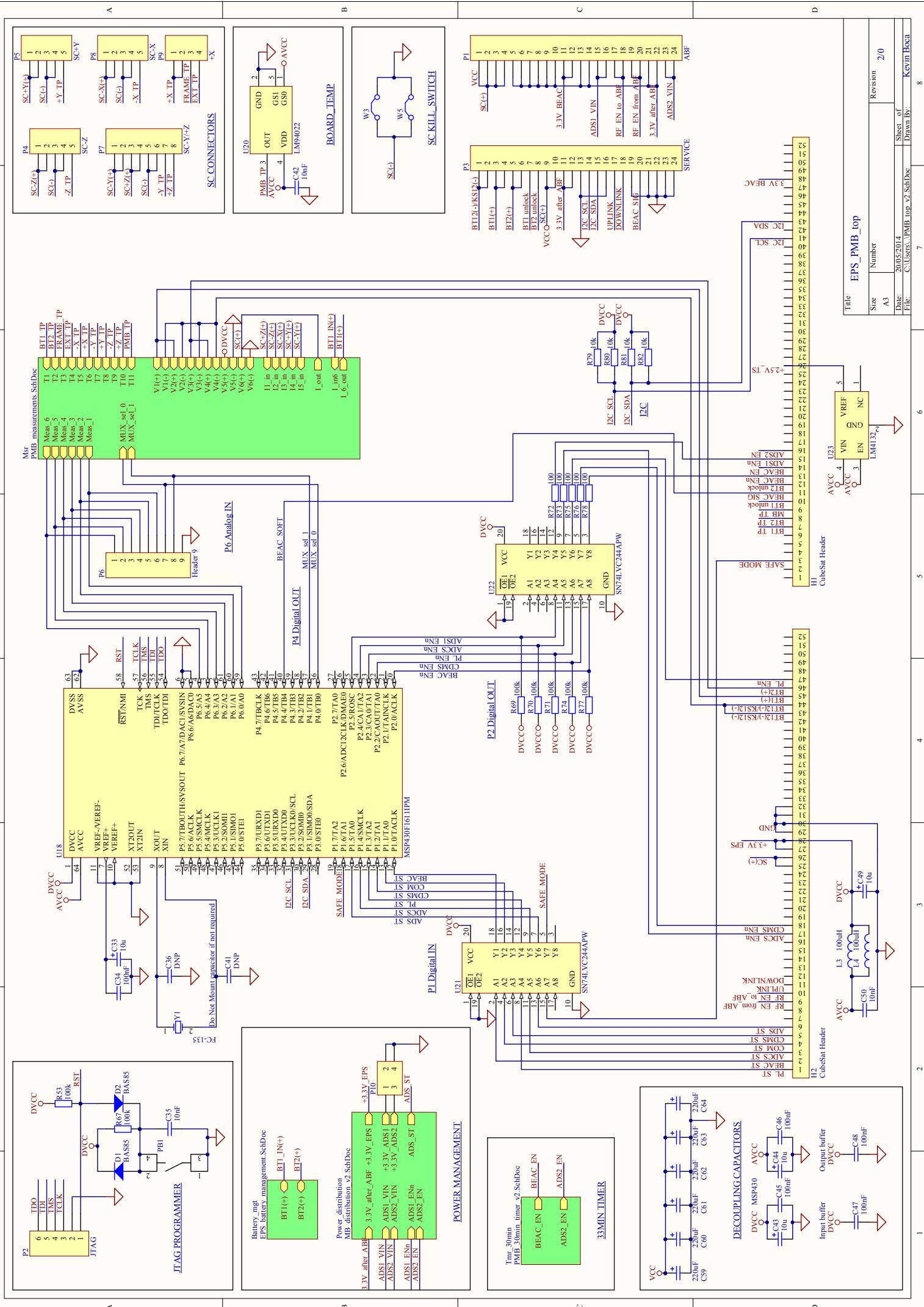
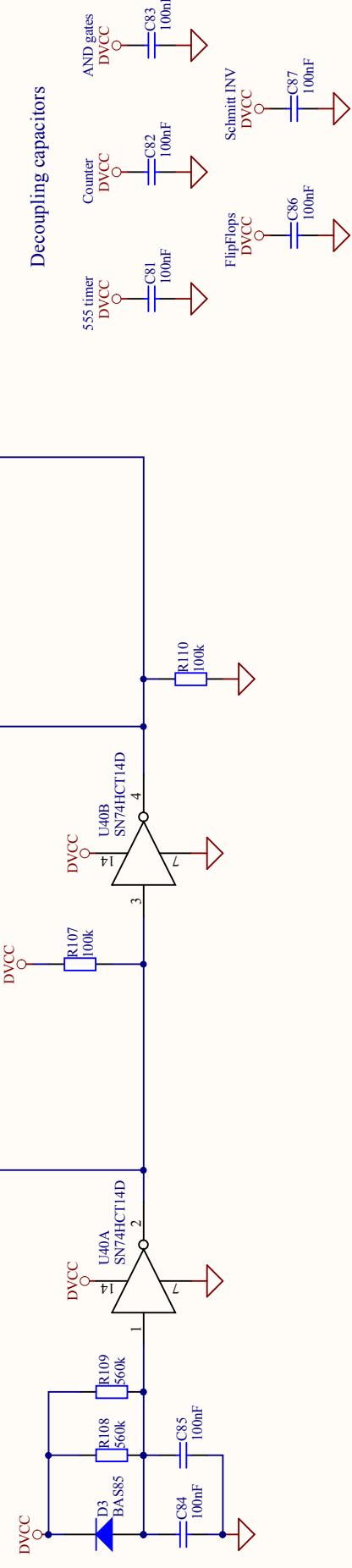
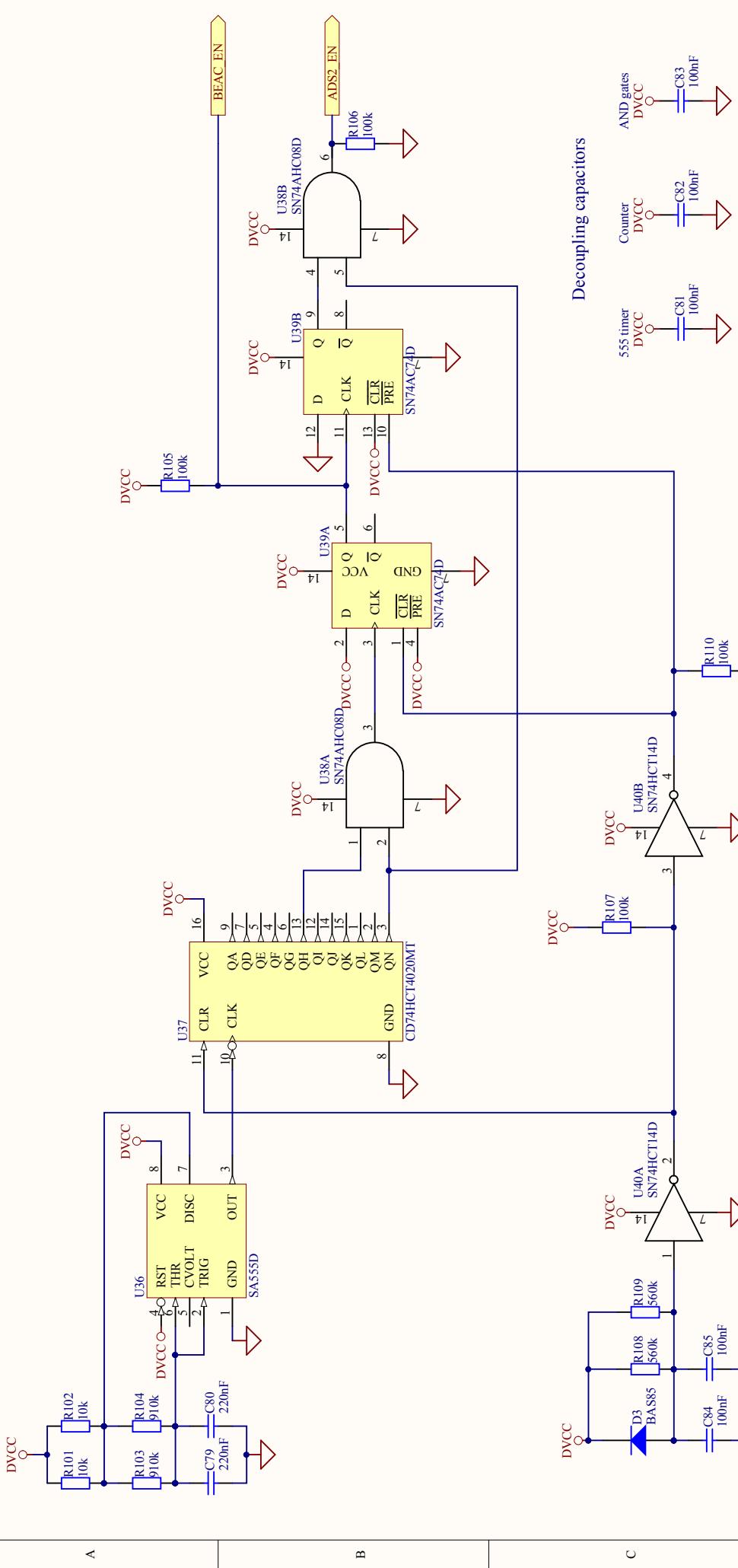


Figure 26: The JTAG-MM6 connector

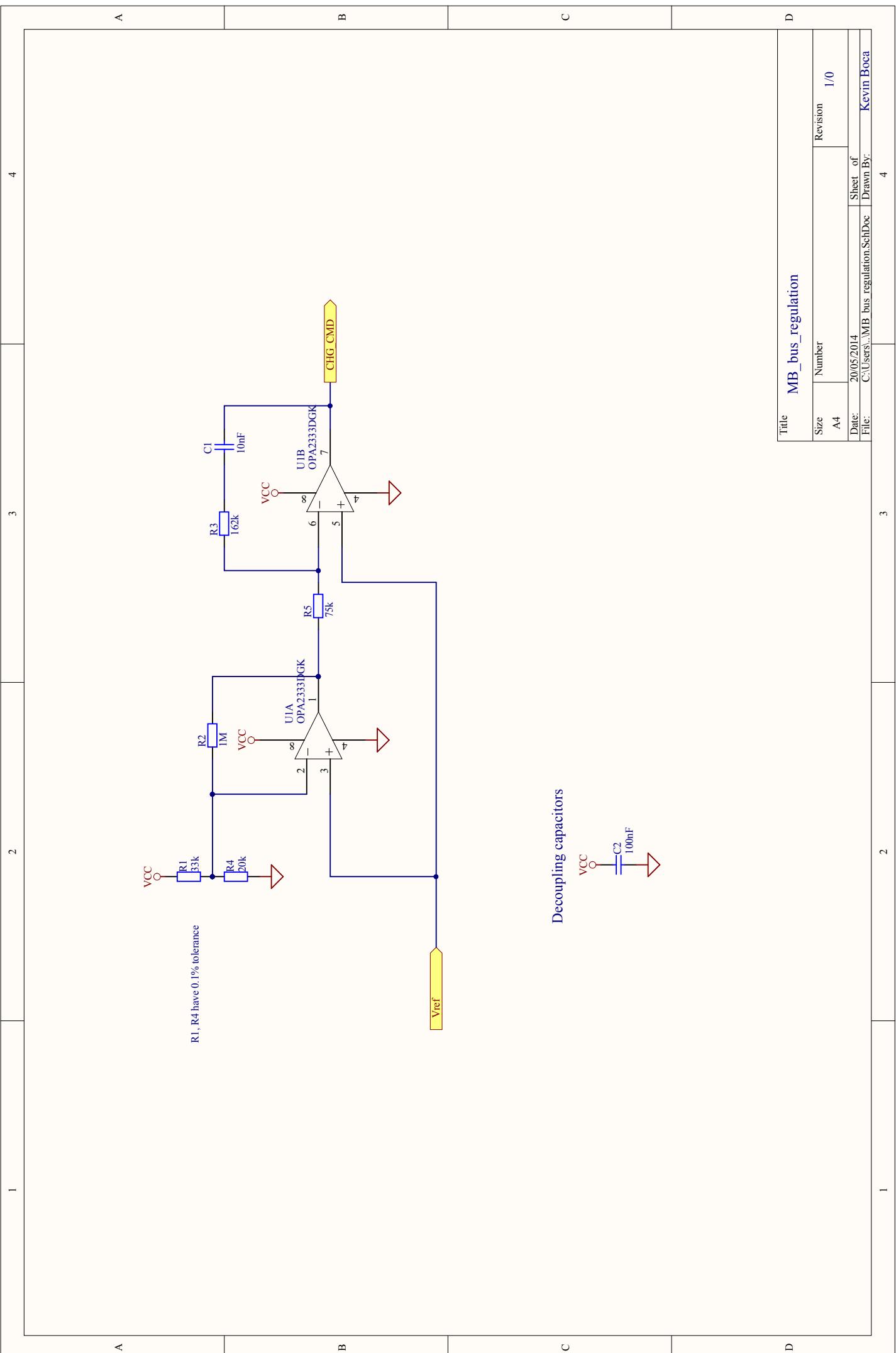
F EPS PMB-MB corrected electrical diagrams

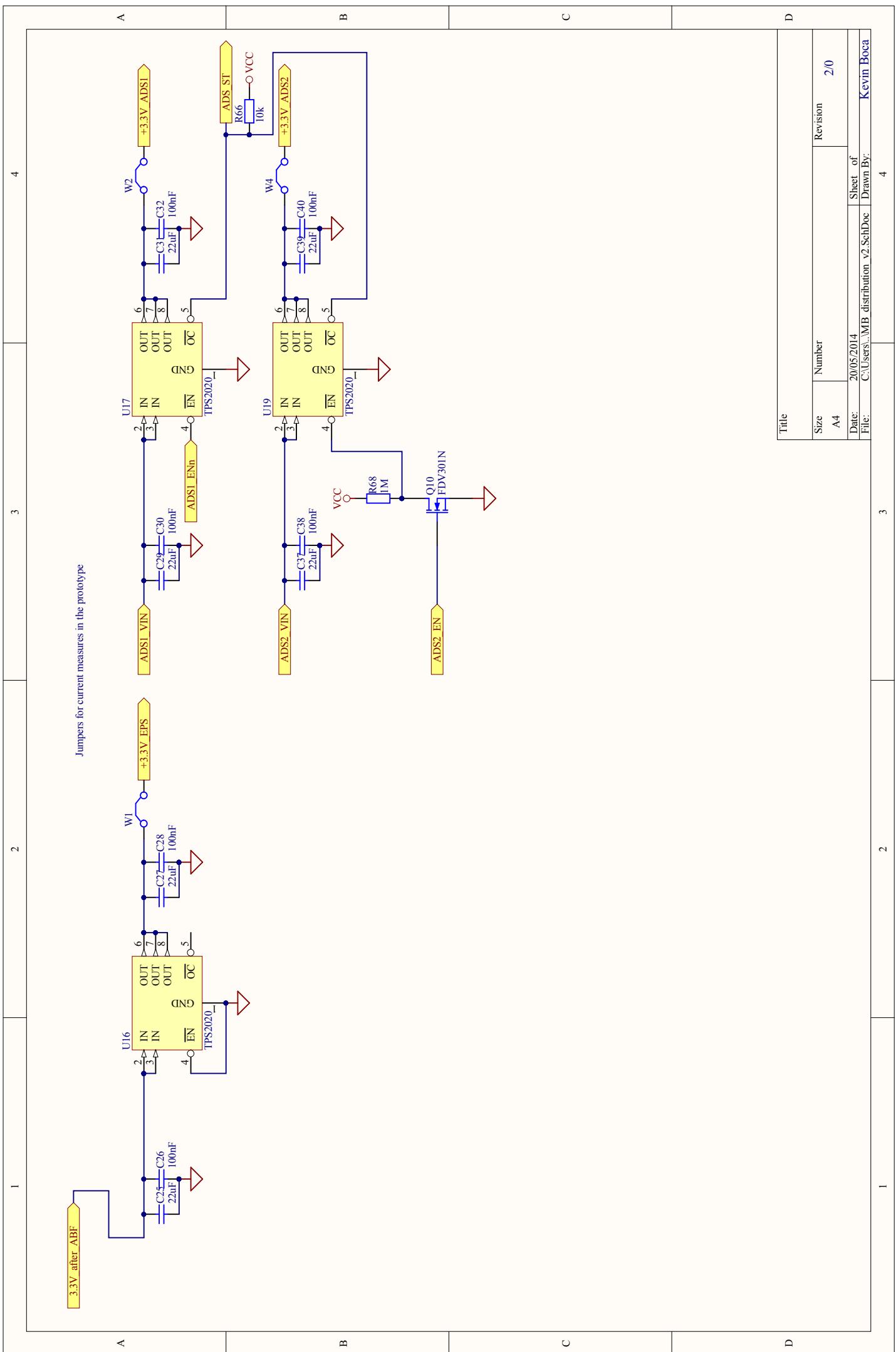
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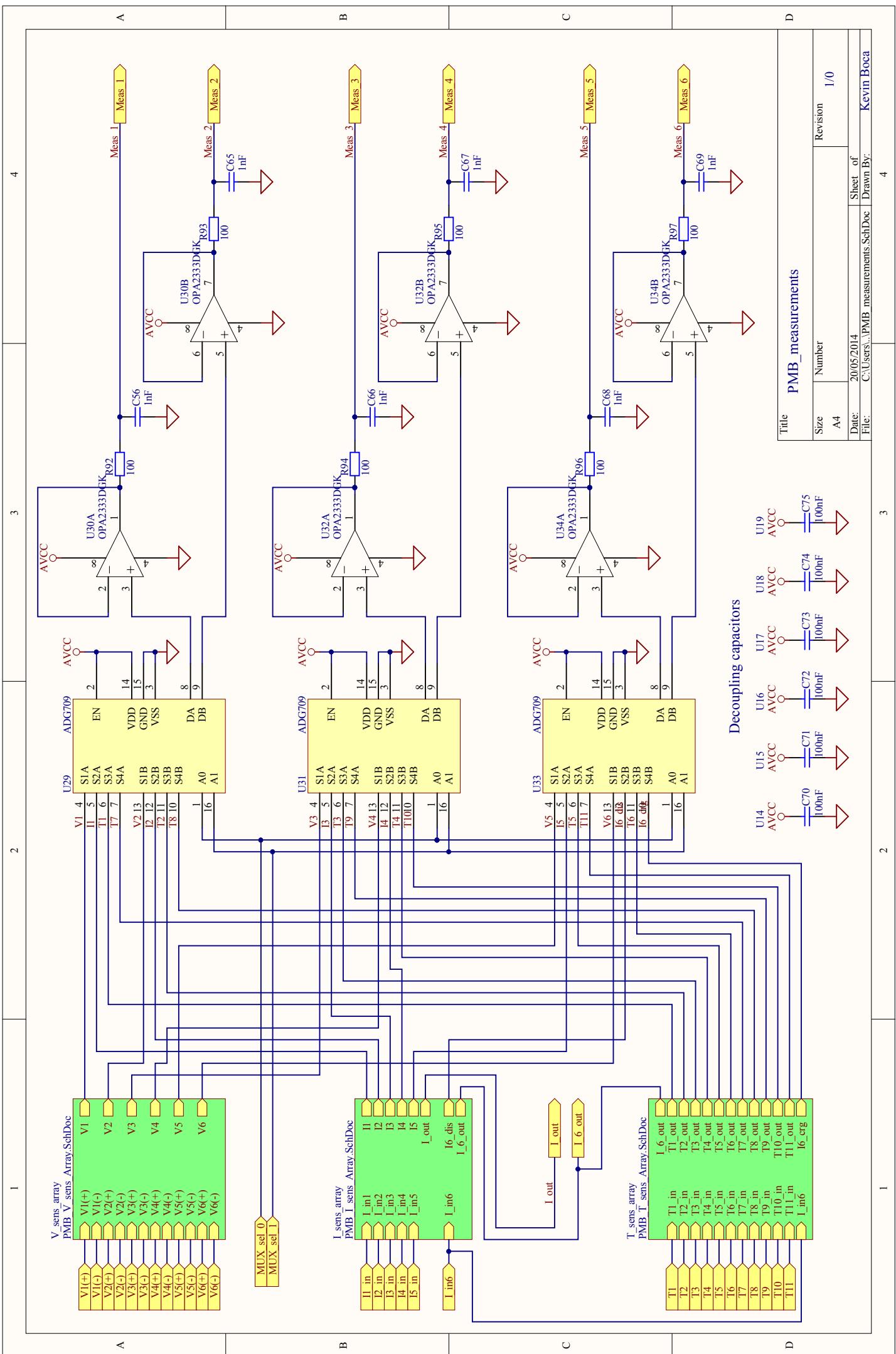


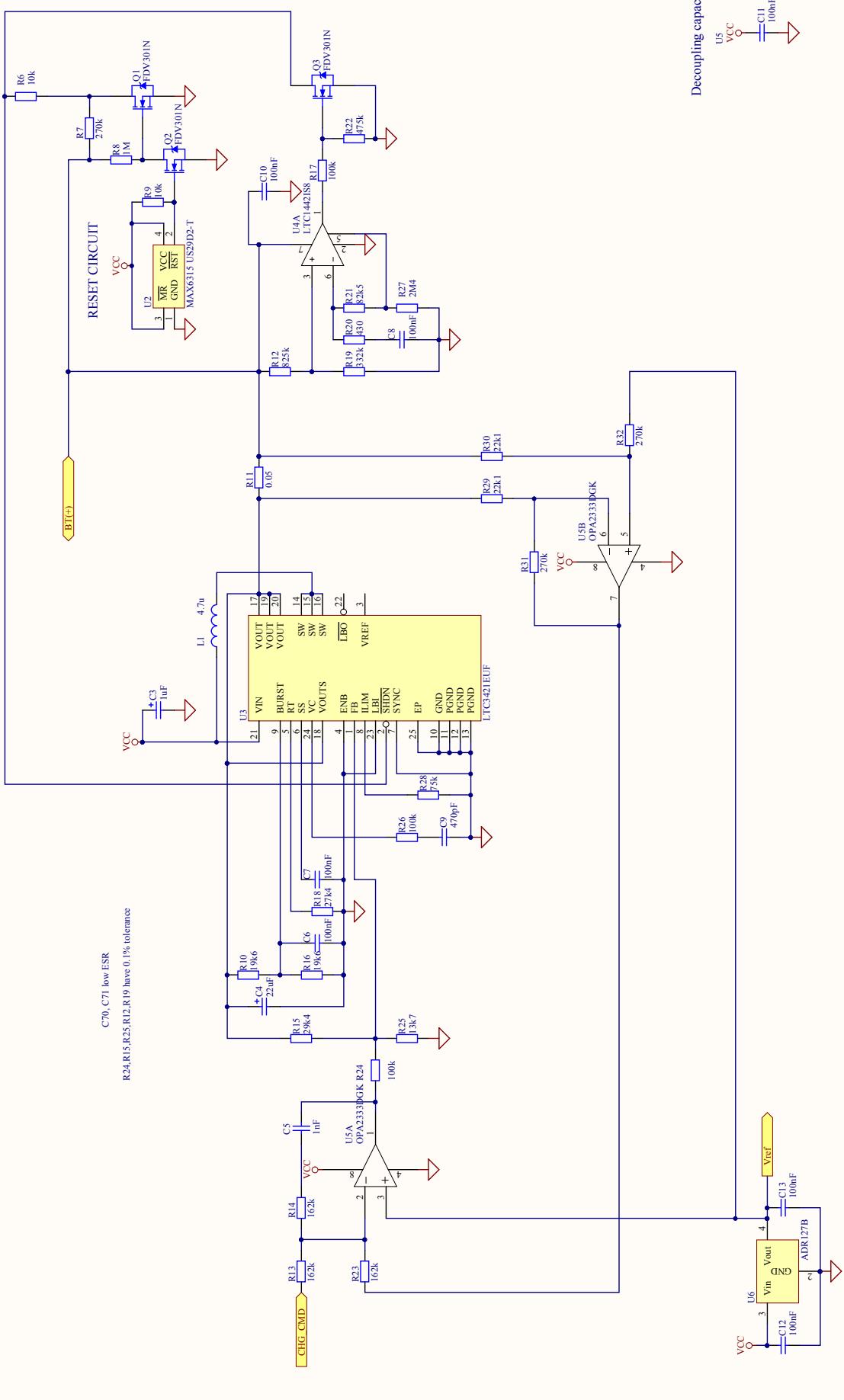


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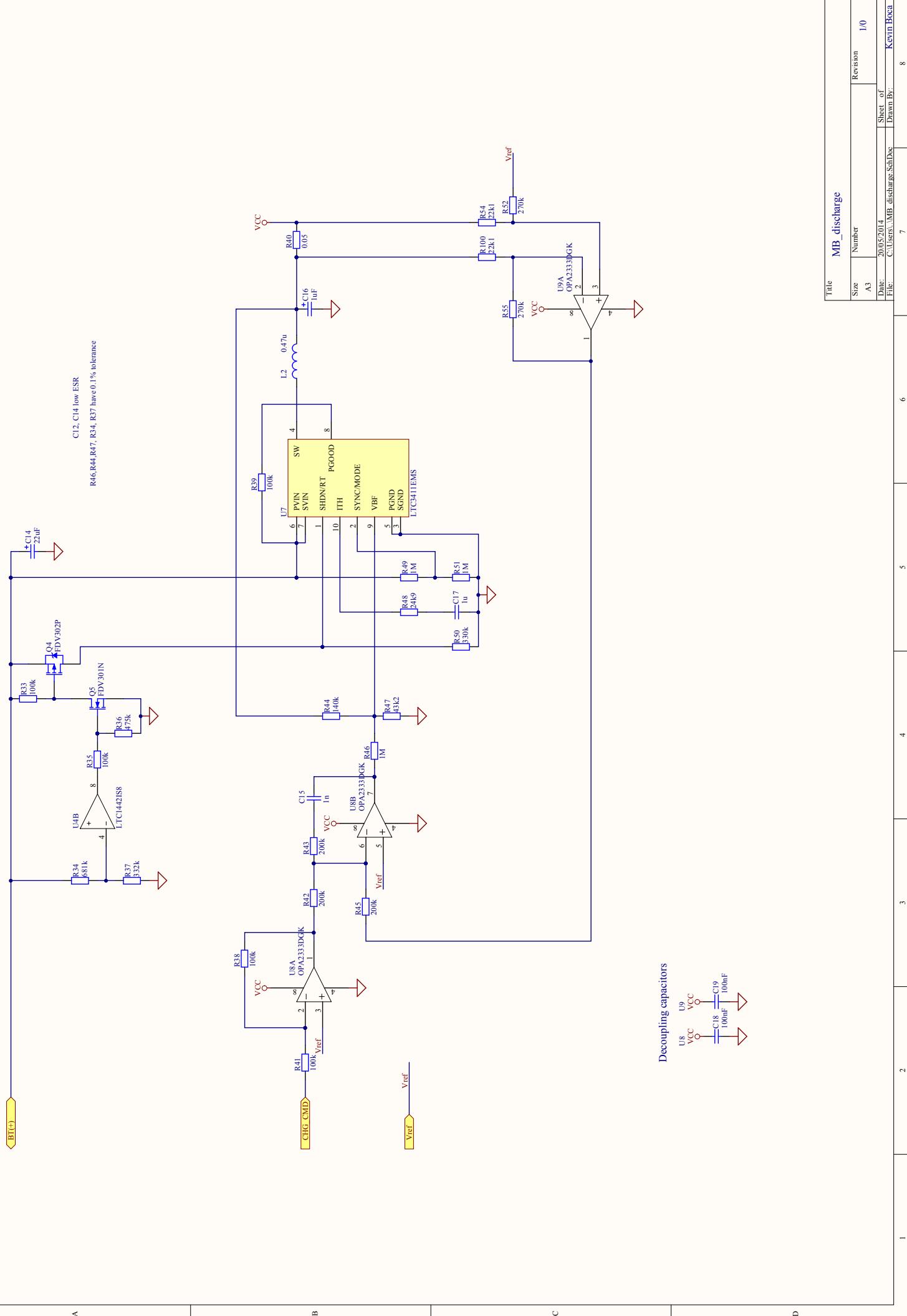
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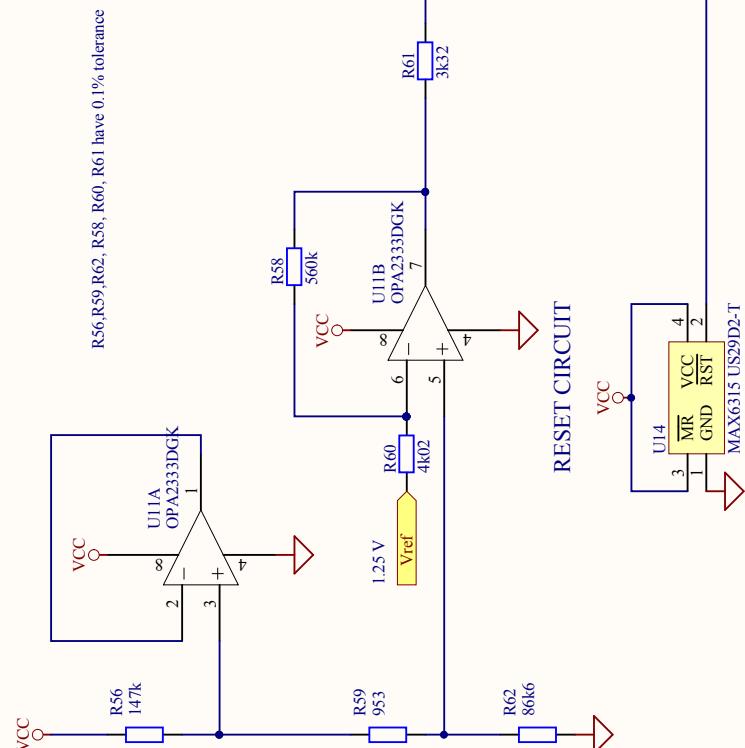
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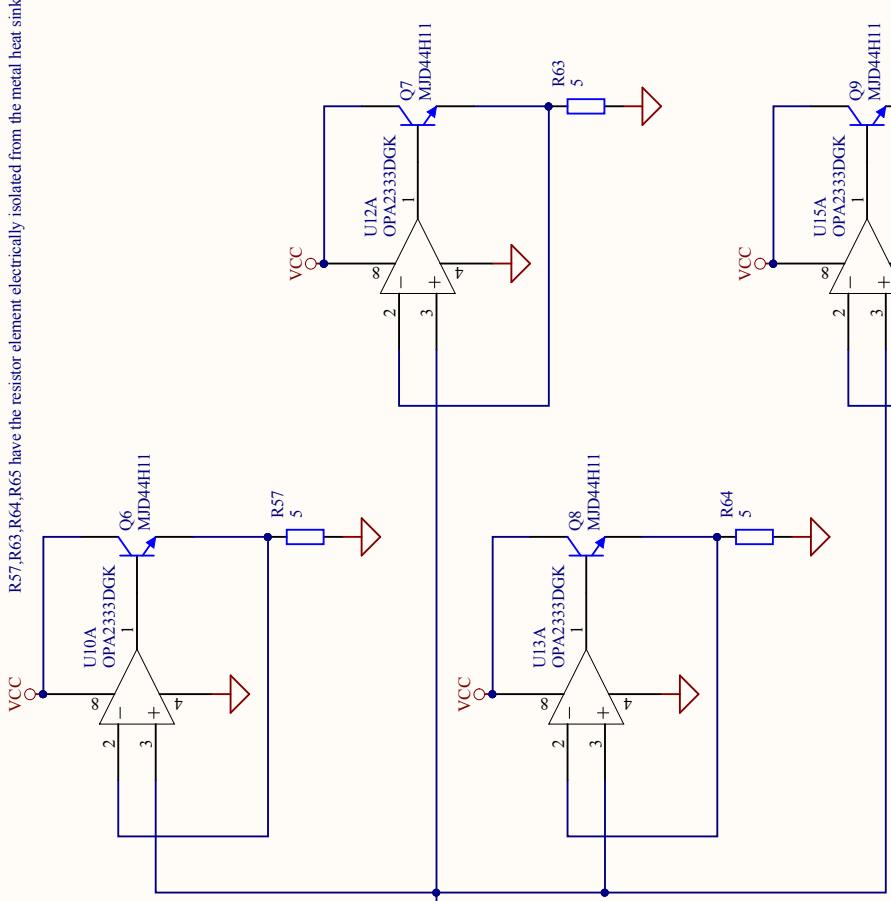
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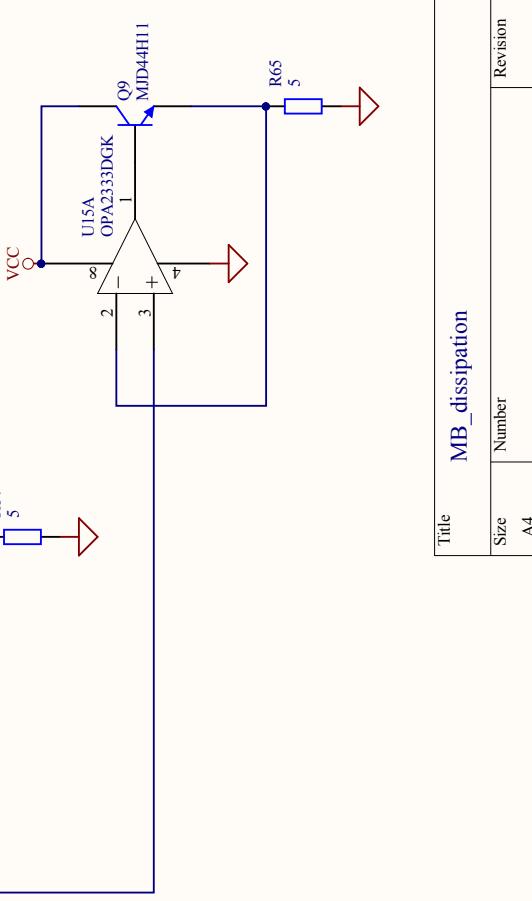
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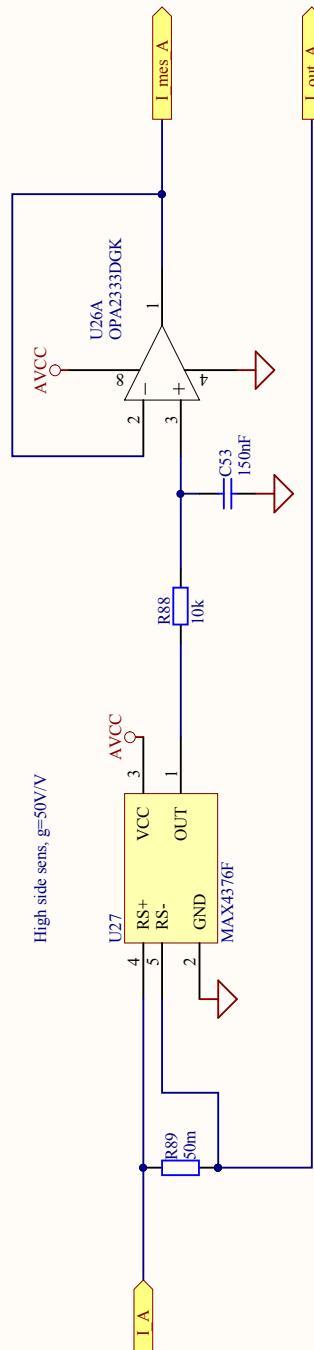
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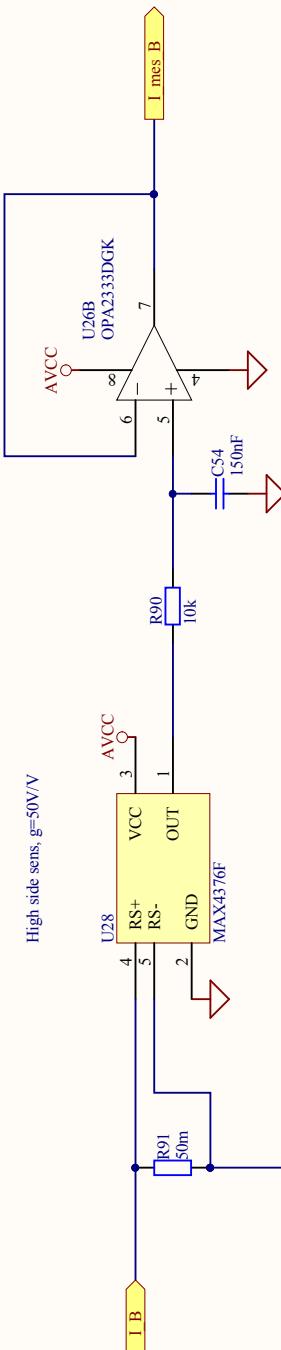
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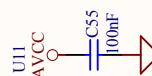
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1 pole filter, $f_c=100\text{Hz}$ 

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Temperature measure

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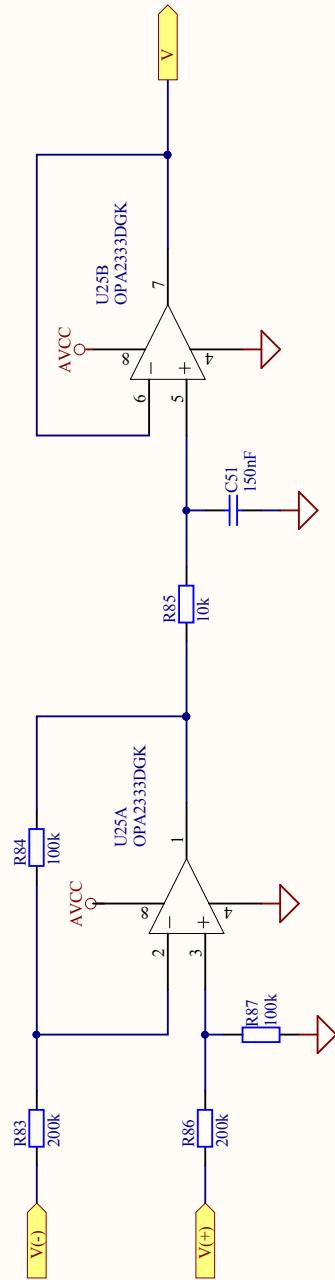
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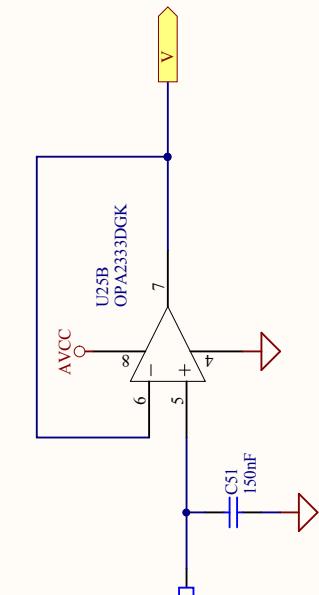
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Voltage sensing circuit

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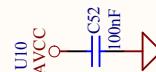


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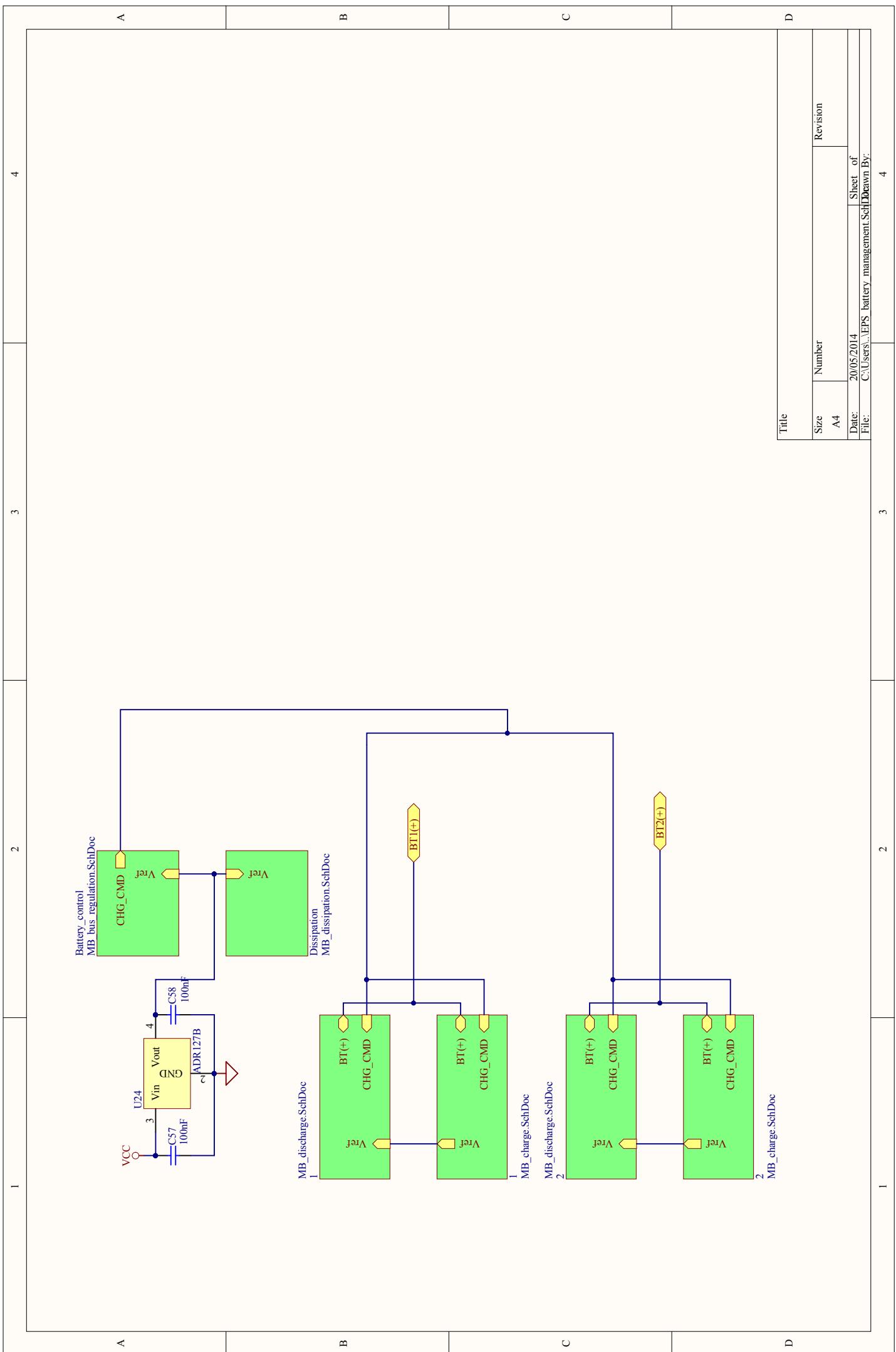
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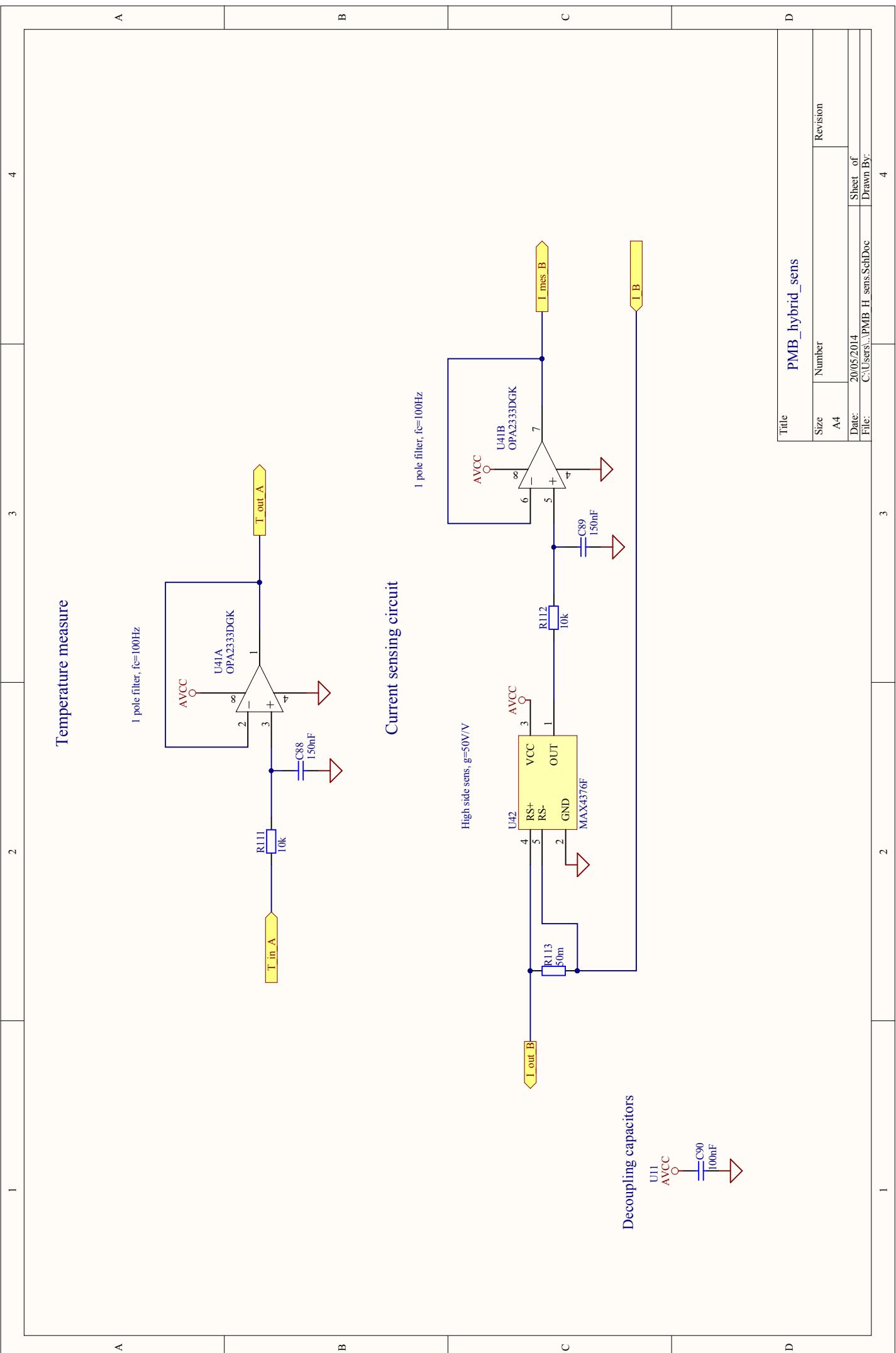


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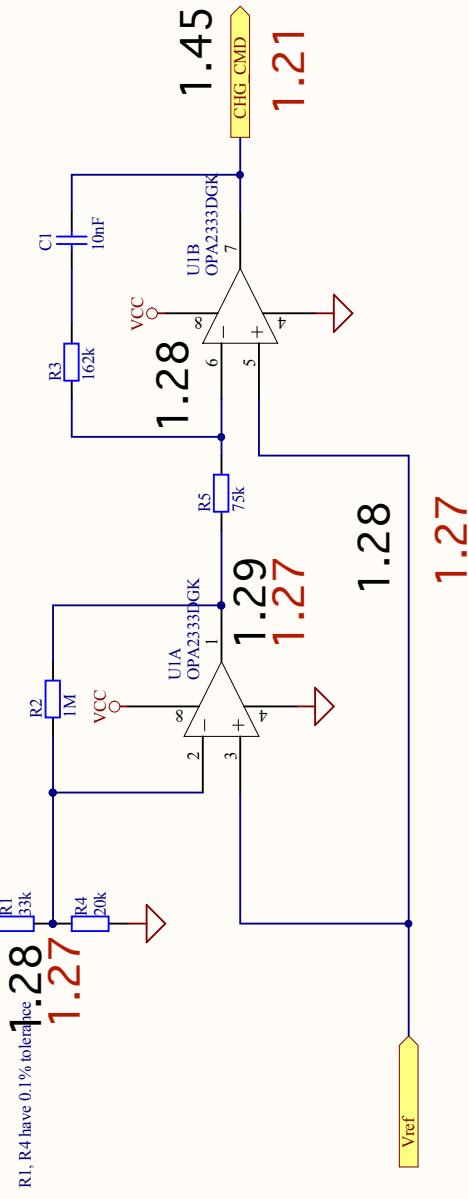


G EPS PMB-MB corrected electrical diagrams with test values

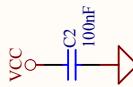
The values written on the following sheets have been obtained during a charge and a discharge test at standard temperature and pressure conditions on the "fixed" PCB. The charge and discharge worked perfectly well, however this values could slightly change with the new PCB that has a corrected routing.

V_{CC} 3.35 V, battery charging
Source off, battery discharging

Values are measured values



Decoupling capacitors



GND at 8 mV

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