

# bq78412EVM Board Quick-Start Guide

# 1 Introduction

### 1.1 EVM Features

- Evaluation module (EVM) for bq78412
- 10 LED bar graph and LED indication for status signals
- Buzzer for audible warnings
- GUI to readout measured battery voltage, current, and several internal parameters via USB interface
- Input operating range 4 V 26 V
- Reverse polarity protection
- Includes USB-to-Serial adapter to demonstrate communication in UART and IRDA modes.
- · Test points for key signals available for testing purposes. Easy probe hook-up

### 1.2 General Description

The bq78412 evaluation module is a complete demonstration platform for gas gauging battery management of 12-V Pb-acid batteries used in a wide range of applications. The EVM platform consists of two printed-circuit boards: the bq78412EVM (HPA615A) and the USB-to-Serial Adapter (HPA616A).

The bq78412 Pb-Acid Battery State-of-Charge (SoC) Indicator with Run-Time Display is a complete stand-alone battery gas-gauge solution designed for single 12-V Pb-acid batteries. For details, see the bq78412 data sheet (SLUSAA0)

### 1.3 I/O Description

Connector / Pin	Description
CN1/1	Battery Positive Terminal, BATT+
CN1/2	Battery Positive Voltage Sense, VS
CN1/3	Battery Negative Terminal, BATT-
CN2/1	Sense Voltage Positive Terminal, RS+
CN2/2	Sense Voltage Negative Terminal, RS-
CN3/1	UART RX
CN3/2	UART TX
CN3/3	UART GND
CN3/4	UART SD
CN3/5	UART Power, V+

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### 1.4 bq78412EVM and USB-to-Serial Adapter Boards

A picture of the bq78412EVM board is shown in Figure 1. The voltage and current measurement connectors are on the right side. The UART interface connector is on the left side and the IRDA transceiver is below this. Bar graph and status LEDs are driven by two shift register chips, which are placed at the right side of the bq78412.



Figure 1. bq78412EVM Board

The USB-to-Serial Adapter board is shown in Figure 2. The mini-USB connector is on the left side, and the UART connector is at the bottom.



Figure 2. USB-to-Serial Adapter Board

### 1.5 Recommended Operating Conditions

	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Battery Voltage (VBAT+)	4	12	26	V
Sense Voltage (V <sub>RS+</sub> - V <sub>RS-</sub> )	-0.16		0.16	V
Terminal Voltage (V <sub>RS+</sub> , V <sub>RS-</sub> )	-0.3		26	V
Operating Temperature	0		85	°C

### 2 Software Installation

### 2.1 Personal Computer Requirements

- 1. Intel Core<sup>™</sup> 2 Duo 1.66-GHz processor or better recommended
- 2. Windows<sup>™</sup> XP SP2 (software has not been tested with Windows Vista/Windows 7)
- 3. Available USB port
- 4. .NET Framework version 2.0

### 2.2 Installing the bq784XX Evaluation Application (GUI)

The bq784xx Evaluation Application is distributed as a zip file, for example "bq784XX Setup Version 1.0.3.0.zip". To install:

- 1. Copy the file to a temporary directory, and unzip it.
- 2. Double-click on the extracted file: bq784XX Setup.msi.
- 3. Follow installation steps as directed.

# 2.3 Installing the FTDI USB-to-Serial Adapter Driver

An FTDI driver must be installed for the USB-to-Serial Adapter. The latest drivers are located on the FTDI Web site. Install the USB-to-serial drivers per the FTDI installation guides given at <a href="http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Documents/InstallGuides.htm">http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Documents/InstallGuides.htm</a> for your operating system.

Typical steps (for Windows XP) follow.

- 1. Unzip the drivers to a location on your PC.
- 2. Temporarily disconnect your PC from the Internet (required only for Windows XP SP1 or earlier)
- 3. Connect the USB-to-Serial Adapter board to a spare USB port on your PC, using a USB-to-mini-USB cable.
- 4. The new hardware is detected and a "Found New Hardware Wizard" dialog opens.
- 5. If prompted "Can Windows connect to Windows Update to search for software?", select "No, not at this time" and click "Next"
- 6. Select "Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)" and click "Next"
- 7. Select "Search for the best driver in these locations" and enter the file path in the combo-box or browse to it by clicking the browse button. Once the file path has been entered in the box, click next to proceed.
- 8. Click on "Continue Anyway" in the warning on unsigned (non-WHQL certified) drivers.
- 9. Click "Finish" to complete the installation.
- 10. This process (from step 4 onwards) is repeated for the second port of the adapter, after another "Found New Hardware Wizard" dialog box opens.

**NOTE:** The installer defaults to installing the software for one user on the PC. If all users are desired, select "Everyone" when prompted. The installer may prompt the user to install the latest version of the .NET Framework if this is not already installed or if the version is older than required.



Hardware Setup

### 3 Hardware Setup

### 3.1 Hardware Requirements

- 1. bq78412EVM board (included)
- 2. TI USB-to-Serial Adapter board (included)
- 3. USB to mini-USB cable (included)
- 4. Shunt resistor (typically  $1m\Omega$ ) with sufficient power rating to carry the charging/load current
- 5. Battery along with charger and load
- 6. Cables

### 3.2 Board Connections and Power-Up Sequence

This section describes the connectors and power up sequence. See Figure 3.

Current Connector: Sense Resistor Connection

The voltage between RS+ and RS– is measured to infer the current through the battery. The following describes a low-side current sensing scheme, but a high-side current sensing scheme can be used instead.

- RS+: Connect to junction of sense resistor and battery negative.
- RS-: Connect to other side of sense resistor.

### Battery Connector: Battery Power

The voltage applied between BATT+ and BATT– terminals powers the EVM board. VS is used to measure the battery voltage (referenced to BATT–)

- BATT+: Connect to positive terminal of the battery
- BATT-: Connect to junction between battery negative and the sense resistor.
- VS: Connect to positive terminal of the battery

### Change J2 to CN2 and J1 to CN1 in F3.



Figure 3. Battery and Sense Resistor Connections (Low Side current sensing)

HPA616A USB-to-Serial Adapter Board Connector J1. This five-signal connector on the USB-to-serial adapter has a label at one end called PIN 1. Plug the serial adapter into J1 so that PIN 1 lines up with the PIN 1 on the bq78412EVM board.

Connection and power up sequence

- Construct the battery and sense resistor circuit as shown in Figure 3.
- Connect the sense resistor circuit to the Current connector.
- Connect battery plus and minus to the Battery connector.
- Connect the USB cable between the PC and the USB-to-Serial Adapter board.
- Insert the USB-to-serial adapter into the UART connector on the bq78412EVM board as shown in Figure 4.

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Figure 4. Plugging in the HPA616A

# 3.3 Configuring the bq784XX Evaluation Application Communications

The bq784XX Evaluation Application automatically detects the USB-to-serial interface adapter and configures itself for the appropriate communications port. Multiple Applications windows can be simultaneously opened to control multiple devices connected to different USB ports.

### 3.4 Testing the Installation

The bq784XX Evaluation Application is invoked from the Windows start menu:

### Start $\rightarrow$ All Programs $\rightarrow$ Texas Instruments $\rightarrow$ bq784XX $\rightarrow$ bq784XX Evaluation

Figure 5 shows how the bq784XX Evaluation Application screen looks when the application has been correctly installed. In particular the status bar at the bottom of the screen should show the COM port that has been assigned to the serial adapter, the target device as bq78412, and the firmware version.



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NOTE: The view above shown after parameters have been read: Main Menu  $\rightarrow$  Command  $\rightarrow$  Read All Parameters

Figure 5. be	q784XX	<b>Evaluation</b>	Application	Main	View
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### 4 bq784xx Evaluation Application Main Screen

The main screen of the bq784XX Evaluation application is divided into four areas as shown in Figure 6.

These areas are:

- 1. Menu Bar: This is the standard applications menu bar.
- 2. Battery Status and Polling: Used for configuring the Application for communication with the connected device and displaying the dynamic battery status.
- 3. Parameter, Manufacturer Data, etc. display region: Displays the parameters by default. Can be configured to display the Manufacturer Data, Cumulative Data, and Communications trace data by clicking on one of the tabs.
- 4. Parameter Description: Displays a help description for the currently selected parameter.
- 5. Status Bar: Contains dynamic status information

### 4.1 Menu Bar Area

The main menu bar provides for File, Command, Communications, Logging and, Help functions.

### 4.1.1 File Functions

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Under the main File menu the following options are available.

- 1. Save: Allows saving of the Configuration, Parameters, or Battery Chemistry files.
- 2. Load: Allows loading of the Configuration, Parameters, or Battery Chemistry files.
- 3. Exit: Exit from the bq784XX Evaluation Application.



### 4.1.2 Command Functions

Under the Command menu, the following submenu options are available.

- 1. Find Target: Searches all available COM ports for the bq78412EVM. This is required if power to the device has been cycled or if the USB port has been re-enumerated.
- 2. Seal Device: Changes the seal level. Prompts for the password if going to a lower seal level.
- 3. Initialize SOC: Displays dialog box prompting for State of Charge value then writes it to the bq78412.
- 4. Reset: Command provides selection between resetting the bq78412 or resetting the cumulative data stored on the device.
- 5. Update Dynamic Data: Refreshes the Voltage, Temperature, RSOC, Current, and Average Current values in the Battery status display area.
- 6. Read All Parameters: Reads all of the parameters and displays their values in the Parameters window.
- 7. Write Pending Changes to Flash: When a parameter has been modified, this command is used to write the local copy of the changed parameter value to the bq78412 device.
- 8. Revert All Pending Changes: All pending changes revert to their previous values. Does not undo changes that have already been written to the bq78412.
- 9. Start Polling: Starts polling the device at the set polling rate.
- 10. Stop Polling: Stops polling.

### 4.1.3 Communications Functions

Under the Communications menu the following options are available:

- 1. Enable Monitor: This enables the logging of the raw communication between the Application and the device to the Communications tab. This is provided as an aid for debugging the communication.
- 2. Clear Log: Clears the log in the Communications tab.

### 4.1.4 Logging Functions

Under the Logging menu three submenu options are available.

- 1. Setup: A log file can be created or browsed to when polling is enabled. Options are provided for over writing an existing log file and inclusion of cumulative data in the log file.
- 2. Start: Starts the logging of polled data.
- 3. Stop: Turns off logging.

### 4.1.5 Help Functions

Under the Help menu one submenu option is available.

1. About: Displays version information.

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Figure 6. bq784XX Evaluation Application Screen Regions

# 4.2 Battery Status and Polling Area

This area is used for:

- configuring the communication from the application to the device like polling frequency, baud rate of the communication address of the bq78412 device to be connected to.
- displaying the battery dynamic status variables such as voltage, current, etc.
- displaying the battery status word.

# 4.2.1 Polling and Device Address Functions

The following configure polling.

1. Address: Selects the address of the device being polled, default is 0xFF. For successful communication, this should match the address set in the device.

- 2. Baud rate : Selects the baud rate of the communication. For successful communication, this should match the baud rate set in the device.
- 3. Polling  $\blacktriangleright$ : Starts the polling.
- 4. : Pauses the polling
- 5. Rate: Selects the polling interval in seconds. Fast indicates the fastest possible rate dictated by OS transactions.

When polling is active the POLL I indicator blinks yellow.

When logging is enabled the LOG  $\blacksquare$  indicator is green.

### 4.2.2 Battery Status Functions

The following dynamic battery status information is displayed.

- 1. Voltage
- 2. Temperature
- 3. Current
- 4. Average Current
- 5. RSOC: Relative State of Charge
- 6. Status The Battery Status Word. By clicking on each box, the meaning of the status bit is displayed. When the status bit is active, the color changes to gold.

Under Cell Data the following information is displayed

- 1. RemainingCapacity
- 2. FullChargeCapacity
- 3. RunTimeToEmpty
- 4. CycleCount
- 5. DeratedFCC

### 6. AccumulatedMissedCharge

Even if the polling rate is set high, the cell data only changes when the accumulated charge changes by 0.1 Ah.

See Section 9 for descriptions of the terminology used.

### 4.3 Parameters, Manufacturer Data, Cumulative Data, and Communication Trace Display Area

This region is used for displaying parameters, manufacturer data, cumulative data, and the communications trace data. The user can change the view by clicking on the corresponding tab.

### 4.3.1 Parameters Tab

The Parameters Tab shows the values of all the parameters used to configure the device. Any parameter can be highlighted and its description is automatically shown in the Parameter Description window at the bottom of the screen. The parameter values can be queried from the device using **Command**  $\rightarrow$  **Read All Parameters** menu option. A parameter value can be changed by double clicking on the parameter value. This brings up a dialog box. All changed parameters are local to the bq784XX Evaluation Application until written to the bq78412 by **Command**  $\rightarrow$  **Write Pending Changes to Flash**. Depending on the present seal level, some parameters may be read only (depicted by the icon on the left of the parameter name). The value of these cannot be changed. The parameters that cannot be read in the current seal level do not show up in the display.



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Figure 7. Parameter Change View



#### 4.3.2 Manufacturer Data Tab

The Manufacturer Data Tab operates in the same manner as the parameter display. Values of the Manufacturer Data items can be changed by following the same procedure as that in the previous section.

The values stored do not influence the operation of the device and can be used as desired by the manufacturer. All the items have hexadecimal values and the encoding of the values needs to be done by the user. A suggested use and packing format is given in the description, but the user is free to use these as desired.

The items can be written to only in seal levels 0 and 1. They can be read in all 3 seal levels.

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Figure 8. Manufacturer Data Tab

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#### 4.3.3 Cumulative Data Tab

The Cumulative Data Tab shows the real time cumulative usage data from the device. This is read from the device at the polling rate set in the "Battery Status and Polling" section. Note that all the items in this tab are read only. For more details on the items displayed, please refer to the section on "Cumulative Usage Data" in the device datasheet.

For ease of interpretation, the value from the "Time Counters" that count in steps of 6 min are scaled by 6 to directly show the time in minutes. Similarly, the DoD10Count DoD0Count values (that count in steps of 16) are scaled by 16 and the cumulative charge counters are scaled by 16.

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#### Figure 9. Cumulative Data Tab

#### 4.3.4 Communications Trace Tab

The Communications Trace Tab shows all messages between the bq784XX Evaluation Application and the bq78412 device. SDO contains the raw packets sent from the computer to the device and SDI contains the raw packets received by the computer from the device. For more details, refer to the "Command syntax" in the device datasheet.

It is recommended that the communications trace be turned off when logging is enabled.

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Figure 10. Communications Trace Tab

### 4.4 Parameter Description Area

This area shows the description of the parameter selected in the Parameter Tab, Manufacturer Data tab or Cumulative Data Tab. This information is also available in the device data sheet.

### 4.5 Status Bar

The bottom of the window contains the status bar which displays the current status of the User-Interface. It contains the following information :

- 1. COM port number of the computer that virtual USB-to-serial converter is currently connected to. More details on the COM port can be accessed from the device manager of the OS.
- 2. Name of the device connected to.
- 3. Version of the firmware in the device.

- 4. Number of broadcast packets received.
- 5. Current Seal level. (0, 1 or 2)
- 6. Logging status. If logging is active, the log file name.

# 5 bq78412 Parameter Setting and Start-Up

Use the following steps to initialize the bq78412.

- Load the Chemistry file for the battery: File → Load → Chemistry → Select. Select the .xml chemistry file. This step can be bypassed if a chemistry file has not been generated. A default chemistry file is then used (which has lower accuracy).
- 2. Set the parameters as desired. Typical parameters that need to be set:
  - (a) Design capacity: set the specified capacity of the battery
  - (b) P-scale factor (part of Chemistry file)
  - (c) Current average time: can be set lower than the 300-s default (e.g., 120 s).
  - (d) End-of-Discharge voltage: set slightly higher than the inverter cutoff voltage.
  - (e) Charge time: set slightly lower than the time required to fully charge the battery.
- 3. Write parameters using Command  $\rightarrow$  Write Pending changes to Flash.
- 4. Apply software reset: Command  $\rightarrow$  Reset  $\rightarrow$  Device
- 5. Set the charge level of the battery: Command  $\rightarrow$  Initialize SOC: Set to 100% for fully charged battery.

### 6 Common Tasks

The following are some common task to perform for the bq78412EVM board.

# 6.1 Setting Up Logging

The following steps describe how to set up the logging.

- 1. Execute Logging  $\rightarrow$  Setup.
- 2. In the pop-up menu, provide the log filename.
- 3. If required, tick the options for over-writing the log file if it already exists and the option for inclusion of cumulative data in the log file.
- 4. Ensure that polling is turned on at the desired rate in the Battery Status and Polling section.
- 5. Execute Logging  $\rightarrow$  Start
- 6. To stop logging, execute Logging → Stop. Note that due to buffering by the operating system, the last section of this file may be written only after this command is executed.

### 6.2 Setting Up the Device to Broadcast

The following steps describe how to set up the device to broadcast.

- 1. Turn off Polling.
- 2. Double-click on the value of the DeviceConfiguration1 parameter.
- 3. Turn on bit 0 to enable broadcast.
- 4. Set bits {9:6} appropriately to change the broadcast interval, if required (default = 20 s).
- 5. Save the value and execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Write Pending Changes to Flash.
- 6. The battery status now gets updated at the broadcast rate.
- 7. To monitor the raw communication, execute Communications  $\rightarrow$  Enable Monitor and switch over to the Communications tab.
- 8. To turn off the broadcast, follow a similar sequence, and turn off bit 0 in the DeviceConfiguration1.

# 6.3 Configuring for IrDA Mode of Communication

The following steps describe how to configure for IrDA mode of communication.

- 1. Connect to the device on UART (plug in the HPA616A board).
- 2. Double-click on the value of the DeviceConfiguration1 parameter.



- 3. Set bits {13,12} to {0,1}.
- 4. Save the value and execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Write Pending Changes to Flash.
- 5. Communication to the device is now hampered.
- 6. Unplug the HPA616A board and place it so that the IrDA transceivers on the two boards are in the line-of-sight of each other. Optionally, they can be held at a distance of approximately 3 cm from each other by using the supplied mounting screws.
- 7. Execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Find Target.

# 6.4 Changing the Device Address

The following steps describe how to change the device address.

- 1. Double-click on the value of the MultiDropAdr parameter.
- 2. Change the value as desired. Securely store this value for future use because reset is not possible.
- 3. Save the value, and execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Write Pending Changes to Flash.
- 4. Communication to the device is now hampered.
- 5. Change the address (pulldown menu) in the Battery Status section to match the value set in the device.
- 6. Execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Find Target.

# 6.5 Changing the Baud Rate

The following steps describe how to change the baud rate.

- 1. Note that the 1200-baud rate is supported only with the UART mode on the EVM board. Changing the baud rate to 1200 while communicating with the IrDA mode renders the EVM inoperable.
- 2. Double-click on the value of the DeviceConfiguration1 parameter.
- 3. Set the bit to 1 for 1200 baud or 0 for 9600 baud.
- 4. Save the value, and execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Write Pending Changes to Flash.
- 5. Communication to the device is now hampered.
- 6. Change the BAUD Rate (pulldown menu) in the Battery Status section to match the value set in the device.
- 7. Execute Command  $\rightarrow$  Find Target.

# 6.6 Rescaling an Existing Chemistry File

The following steps describe the procedure to generate a Chemistry file optimized for the given battery capacity, from another which is optimized for a different battery capacity. For better accuracy, use a Chemistry file that is optimized for the particular chemistry of the battery and the battery capacity. If a Chemistry file that is optimized for the battery chemistry is not available, the default Chemistry file can be used, although giving slightly lower accuracy. Chemistry table generation based on customer battery characterization is needed to achieve highest accuracy. Contact kal@ti.com for assistance with this process.

- 1. Note that the default chemistry file is optimized for 150-Ah battery capacity and rated current is 7.5 A.
- 2. Invoke the Chemistry File Generator Tool using File  $\rightarrow$  Chemistry Generator
- 3. Select the option to Rescale an existing Chemistry File
- 4. In the Rescale menu, fill in the following:
  - Browse to the input Chemistry File.
  - Specify the Battery Capacity for which the input chemistry file is optimized.
  - Specify the current for which the battery capacity of the input chemistry file is rated. (For example, if the battery capacity is 150 Ah at C/10 rate, the rated current is 15 A.)
  - Specify the name of the output Chemistry File (this is placed in the same directory as the input file, with a .xml extension). .
  - Specify the Battery Capacity for which the output chemistry file is to be optimized.
  - Specify the current at which the battery capacity of the output chemistry file is to be rated. (For example, If the battery capacity is 80 Ah at C/10 rate, the rated current is 8 A.)
- 5. The output Chemistry File is then generated.



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6. Load the output Chemistry File by executing File  $\rightarrow$  Load  $\rightarrow$  Chemistry.



### 7 Bill of Materials and Schematics

This sections contains the bill of materials for the HPA615A board and the HPA616A board.

### 7.1 HPA615A Bill of Materials

Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
1	PCB		Printed Circuit Board 4 Layer	49.5mm x 111.8mm	HPA615	Any
7	C1-2 C4 C8-9 C11-12	0.1 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic X7R 50V ±10%	603	Standard	Standard
1	C3	2.2 µF	Capacitor Ceramic 50V Y5V +80/-20%	805	Standard	Standard
2	C5 C10	1.0 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 10V X5R +/-10%	603	Standard	Standard
1	C6	4.7 µF	Capacitor SMT Tantalum ±10% 16V	3528-21 (EIA)	Standard	Standard
1	C7	0.01 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic X7R 25V ±10%	603	Standard	Standard
2	C13-14	18 pF	Capacitor Ceramic SMT 50V C0G 5%	603	Standard	Standard
1	CN1		Terminal Block Header 3 Position 3.5mm 16-28 AWG		39357-0003	Molex
1	CN2		Terminal Block Header 2 Position 3.5mm 16-28 AWG		39357-0002	Molex
1	CN3		5 Pos. Header 0.100", Gold, Vertical		90120-0765	Molex
6	D1-3 D12 D14 D16		LED SMT Red Diffused	603	SML-LX0603IW-TR	Lumex
6	D4-6 D11 D13 D15		LED SMT Green Diffused	603	SML-LX0603YW-TR	Lumex
4	D7-10		LED SMT Yellow Diffused	603	SML-LX0603GW-TR	Lumex
1	D18		Diode Schottky 0.5A, 400mW, Vf<385mV	SOD-123	MBR0540-TP	Micro Comm Co
1	Q1		Transistor NPN Silicon Planar 600mA	SOT-223	PZT2222AT1G	ON Semi
1	Q2		Transistor NPN 100mA	SOT-23	BC846ALT1G	ON Semi.
1	Q3		MOSFET P-Channel PowerTrench –2.3A ±20Vgs	SOT-23 (TO-236)	Si2319DS	Vishay
3	R1-2 R18	47K	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
22	R3 R5-6 R8-13 R16 R19 R22-28 R30-33	100	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
2	R4 R7	3.3K	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
2	R14-15	10	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
2	R17 R29	100K	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
1	R20	1.0M	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
1	R21	10K	Resistor Ceramic SMT 1/10W 5%	603	Standard	Standard
18	TP1-18		Test Clip Point Black	0.040" Dia. Hole	5001	Keystone
1	U1		Lead Acid Battery Monitor and Gas Gauge	TSSOP-44	BQ78412DDW	Texas Instruments
1	U2		IrDA Transceiver TOP VIEW	6mm x 3.1mm x 1.9mm	TFBS4711-TT1	Vishay
2	U3-4		IC Shift Register Serial 8 Bit	14-TSSOP	SN74HC164PWR	Texas Instruments
1	XT1		Piezo Buzzer Round PC Mount	12.2mm Dia x 9.5mm H	PB-12N23P-03Q	Mallory Sonalert Products
1	Z2		Diode Zener SMT 12V, 500mW, Cathode Band Mark	SOD-123	BZT52C12-7-F	Diodes, Inc
1	XT2		Crystal SMT Cylinder 8.000 MHz 18pF	0.118 x 0.346"	CMR309T-8.000MABJ-UT	Citizen Finetech Miyota
0	X5	DNP	PCB Feature - Solderbridge	None	None	None
1			USB to UART/iRDA Adapter PCB Assembly			HPA616

#### Table 1. HPA615A Bill of Materials

Notes: 1. These assemblies are ESD sensitive, ESD precautions shall be observed.

2. These assemblies must be clean and free from flux and all contaminants. Use of no clean flux is not acceptable.

3. These assemblies must comply with workmanship standards IPC-A-610 Class 2.

- 4. Parts with Manufacturer part numbers cannot be substituted without prior approval. All other components can be substituted with equivalent MFG's components.
- 5. DNP = Do Not Populate.



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Figure 11. HPA615A Schematic



# 7.2 HPA616A Bill of Materials

Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
1	PCB		Printed Circuit Board	81.3mm x 44.7mm	HPA616	Any
2	C1 C4	0.01 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 50V X7R +/-10%	603	Standard	Standard
2	C2 C9	1.0 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 10V X5R +/-10%	603	Standard	Standard
1	C3	10 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 10V Y5V +80/-20%	805	Standard	Standard
2	C5-6	22 pF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 50V C0G +/-5%	603	Standard	Standard
3	C7-8 C11	0.1 µF	Capacitor SMT Ceramic 50V X7R +/-10%	603	Standard	Standard
1	C10	4.7 µF	Capacitor SMT Tantalum +/-10% 16V	3528-21 (EIA)	293D475X9016B2TE3	Vishay
1	CN1		Connector, USB Type B, R/A, Mini, RoHS, SMD	9.9mm x 9.0mm x 3.95mm	1734035-2	Тусо
1	CN2		5 Pos. Header 0.100", Gold, R/A, Female	0.100"	PPPC051LGBN-RC	Sullins
3	D1-2 D4		LED SMT Green Diffused	603	SML-LX0603GW-TR	Lumex
2	D3 D5		LED SMT Red Diffused	603	SML-LX0603IW-TR	Lumex
1	F1	220 Ohm	Ferrite SMT	603	BLM18AG221SN1D	muRata
2	R1 R10	0	Resistor SMT 1/10W +/-5%	603	Standard	Standard
2	R2-3	453	Resistor SMT 1/10W +/-5%	603	Standard	Standard
3	R4-6	100K	Resistor SMT 1/10W +/-5%	603	Standard	Standard
4	R7-8 R11-12	100	Resistor SMT 1/10W +/-5%	603	Standard	Standard
1	U1		IC DUAL USB Port TVS	8PDIP	SN75240P	Texas Instruments
1	U2		IC USB to Serial	28-SSOP	FT232RL	FTDI
1	U3		IC SIR ENDEC IRDA 115.2K 5V Tolerant	SO16L	TOIM4232	Vishay
1	U4		IrDA Transceiver Top View Version	6mm x 3.1mm x 1.9mm	TFBS4711-TT1	Vishay
1	Y1		Crystal SMT 3.6864 MHz 20pF	HC-49/US-SM	ECS-36-20-5PDN-TR	ECS, Inc.
1	Z1		Zener Diode 5.1V 500mW	SOD-123	BZT52C5V1-7-F	Diodes, Inc
0	TP1-TP5		Test Point		N/A	N/A
2			Standoff, Nylon, male to female, 6-32 Thread Hex	1.0" Long	4820	Keystone Electronics
2			Screw, Nylon, 6-32, .375 inch		NY PMS 632 0038 PH	B&F Fastener
2			Nut, Nylon, 6-32		NY HN 632	B&F Fastener
1	CABLE		USB Cable, 5 pin B Mini Male to type A Male, 2M		AK672M/2-2	Assman Electronics

### Table 2. HPA615A Bill of Materials

Notes: 1. These assemblies are ESD sensitive, ESD precautions shall be observed.

2. These assemblies must be clean and free from flux and all contaminants. Use of no clean flux is not acceptable.

3. These assemblies must comply with workmanship standards IPC-A-610 Class 2.

4. Parts with Manufacturer part numbers cannot be substituted without prior approval. All other components can be substituted with equivalent MFG's components.

5. STANDOFFs screws and CABLE to be provided loose in ESD bag.

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### 8 Printed-Circuit Board Art

This section contains the artwork for the HPA615A PCB followed by the artwork for the HPA616A PCB.



Figure 13. HPA615A Top Copper Layer



Figure 14. HPA615A Silkscreen





Figure 15. HPA615A Layer 1



Figure 16. HPA615A Layer 2



Printed-Circuit Board Art



Figure 17. HPA615A Layer 3



Figure 18. HPA615A Bottom Copper Layer





Figure 19. HPA616A Top Copper Layer



Figure 20. HPA616A Silkscreen



Figure 21. HPA616A Layer 1



Printed-Circuit Board Art



Figure 22. HPA616A Layer 2



Figure 23. HPA616A Layer 3



Figure 24. HPA616A Bottom Copper Layer

### 9 Definitions of Commonly Used Terms in This Manual

- 1. Voltage (output): Instantaneous terminal voltage of the battery.
- 2. Temperature (output): Instantaneous temperature measured by the on-chip sensor.
- 3. Current (output): Instantaneous battery current, negative value is a discharge current.
- 4. Average Current (output): Average battery current, negative value is a discharge current. The averaging duration is controlled by the CurrentAvgTime parameter.
- 5. **Charge Efficiency (input):** This parameter factors in the coulombic efficiency (Ahout/Ahin) of the battery when charged and discharged according to manufacturers recommendations. Charging current is multiplied by this value before accumulation for coulomb counting.
- 6. **Chemistry File (input):** This is a file generated by TI, based on battery characterization data obtained from the manufacturer. This describes the variation of the battery capacity with load and temperature. Using a battery-specific file improves the accuracy of results.
- 7. **Design Capacity (input):** This parameter represents the rated capacity of the battery at the rated load and temperature conditions.
- 8. **FullChargeCapacity or FCC (output):** The current value of the capacity of the battery (when fully charged). This starts off with the value in the DesignCapacity parameter and changes based on capacity learning and ageing.
- 9. **DeratedFCC (output):** Full-charge capacity de-rated for the load current and battery operating temperature. This is the capacity that the battery is expected to deliver at the given load current and given operating temperature (when it is full). Note that the value of this equals the FCC when the load current and battery operating temperature are equal to the load current and operating temperature at which the battery is rated by the manufacturer, . Also note that this can be higher than the FCC at temperatures higher than the rated temperature or at loads lower than the rated load.
- 10. **RemainingCapacity (output):** The remaining capacity of the battery in Ah at the present load current and temperature. When the battery is full, this equals the Derated FCC and goes to zero when the battery cannot deliver any more charge at the present load current and temperature. Note that even when the RemainingCapacity is zero, the battery can still deliver charge if the load current is reduced. In such a case, the DeratedFCC increases (based on the reduced load current) and the RemainingCapacity shows a corresponding increase.
- 11. **RSOC (output):** Relative State of Charge (RemainingCapacity/DeratedFCC). This indicates the fraction of charge that the battery can currently deliver relative to the maximum it can deliver at the present load and temperature.
- 12. **RunTimeToEmpty (output):** The estimated time to empty based on the present discharge rate, voltage, and temperature. Note that this assumes that power is drawn from the battery at a constant rate.
- 13. **CycleCount (output):** Represents the number of charge and discharge cycles undergone by the battery. This equals the ¢¢TotalAhout/DesignCapacity. Thus, partial discharges also get accumulated.
- 14. AccumulatedMissedCharge (output): Total missed charge due to discharges starting before battery has reached full charge. This represents the cumulative difference of the Ahout and Ahin from the last time the battery was fully charged.

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