

# CUBECOMPUTER V4.1

### GENERAL PURPOSE ON-BOARD COMPUTER



## **OPTION SHEET**



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## List of Acronyms/Abbreviations

| A2D              | Analog-to-Digital                           |
|------------------|---|
| ADCS             | Attitude and Determination Control System   |
| CSKB             | CubeSat Kit Bus                             |
| FPGA             | Field Programmable Gate Array               |
| GPIO             | General Purpose Input/Output                |
| I <sup>2</sup> C | Inter-Integrated-Circuit                    |
| MCU              | Microcontroller Unit                        |
| OBC              | On-board Computer                           |
| PCB              | Printed Circuit Board                       |
| RTC              | Real-time Clock                             |
| SPI              | Serial Peripheral Interface                 |
| SRAM             | Static Random Access Memory                 |
| UART             | Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter |
| WDGEn            | Watchdog Enable                             |



## **1. Client Information**

| Company/Institution           |  |
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| Name of proposed<br>satellite |  |
| Physical address              |  |
| Contact person                |  |
| E-mail address                |  |
| Date                          |  |



## 2. Introduction

CubeSpace aims to simplify the complicated task of integrating an on-board computer (OBC) into your satellite design. Our systems are therefore highly configurable and this document allows you to customise your CubeComputer unit to meet your requirements.

If additional customisation is required, please indicate your requirements in the Additional Notes section on page 14 of this document or contact CubeSpace at <u>info@cubespace.co.za</u>.

The CubeComputer Datasheet is essential to understanding the various options in this document. It is recommended that the CubeComputer Datasheet should be studied before completing this document.



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## 3. Hardware Configuration

### 3.1 Power supply

CubeComputer requires a 3.3 V source on one of the PC104 pins shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1 – Power pin positions on H1 and H2 (PC104)

Please select the source for the 3.3 V supply from the listed PC104 header pins.

#### **Option 1 – 3.3 V supply power source selection**

|              | H2-27,28 | H1-48 | H1-50 | H1-52 |
|--------------|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 3.3 V supply |          |       |       |       |

### 3.2 I<sup>2</sup>C

The MCU's secondary  $I^2C$  bus can be routed to the PC104 header (H1-21,23), or it can be left unconnected. The location of the pins on H1 is shown in Figure 1.



Figure 2 – Position of secondary I<sup>2</sup>C pins on H1

Please indicate the desired configuration for the secondary  $I^2C$  bus.

#### **Option 2 – Secondary I<sup>2</sup>C routing selection**

|                                    | H1-21,23 | Unconnected |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Secondary I <sup>2</sup> C routing |          |             |

The two I<sup>2</sup>C buses on CubeComputer can be populated with bus side pull-up resistors if required. The standard value for the resistors is 1.5 k $\Omega$ . Please select or specify the required pull-up resistors for each of the two I<sup>2</sup>C buses.



#### **Option 3 – System I<sup>2</sup>C bus pull-up resistor value selection**

|  | 1.5 kΩ | Other (specify) | None |
|--|--------|-----------------|------|
| System I <sup>2</sup> C bus (H1-41,43) |        |                 |      |

#### **Option 4 – Secondary I<sup>2</sup>C bus pull-up resistor value selection**

|   | 1.5 kΩ | Other (specify) | None |
|---|--------|-----------------|------|
| Secondary I <sup>2</sup> C bus (H1-21,23) |        |                 |      |

#### 3.3 CAN

The CAN communication bus is optional on CubeComputer. If the CAN interface is not required, CubeComputer's power consumption can be reduced slightly by leaving the CAN electronics unpopulated. Figure 3 indicates the location of the CAN bus on the PC104 header (H1-1,3).



Figure 3 – Position of CAN pins on H1

Please indicate whether or not the CAN bus will be required.

#### **Option 5 – CAN interface selection**

|                 | Yes | Νο |
|-----------------|-----|----|
| CAN electronics |     |    |

Although the CAN termination resistor has a default value of 120  $\Omega$ , an alternative value can be specified. Please select or specify the required CAN termination resistor.

#### **Option 6 – CAN termination resistor**

|                          | 120 Ω | Other (specify) | None |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------|------|
| CAN termination resistor |       |                 |      |



### **3.4 Header Configuration**

### 3.4.1 Main PC104 header

Please select which one of the following Samtec headers should be used for the main PC104 header (H1, H2).

| Samtec header<br>model | Image                                   | Height<br>above PCB<br>(mm) | Pin length<br>below PCB<br>(mm) | Choice<br>(indicate<br>with X) |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| SSQ-126-21-G-D         |   | 8.5                         | 0.8                             |                                |
| SSQ-126-23-G-D         |   | 8.5                         | 8.0                             |                                |
| SSQ-126-04-G-D         |   | 8.5                         | 13.2                            |                                |
| ESQ-126-38-G-D         |   | 11.1                        | 5.7                             |                                |
| ESQ-126-39-G-D         |   | 11.1                        | 10.6                            |                                |
| ESQ-126-49-G-D         |   | 13.6                        | 8.0                             |                                |
| TSW-126-07-G-D         | +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ | 3.0                         | 4.2                             |                                |



### 3.4.2 Piggyback header

CubeComputer V4.1 contains a 60-pin piggyback header which can be populated with a Samtec ERF8-030-05.0-S-DV header (top and/or bottom), as shown in Figure 4, or it can be left unpopulated.



Figure 4 – Piggyback header

Please select whether or not the piggyback header must be populated.

#### **Option 8 – Piggyback header selection**

|                  | Not       | Top  | Bottom | Top and |
|------------------|-----------|------|--------|---------|
|                  | populated | only | only   | bottom  |
| Piggyback header |           |      |        |         |

#### 3.4.3 FPGA header

The FPGA header (shown in Figure 5) is required to program CubeComputer's FPGA during assembly and testing. This header will not be used by the client and can therefore be removed before shipment if requested.



Figure 5 – FPGA header

Please indicate whether or not the FPGA header should be removed.

#### **Option 9 – FPGA programming header selection**

|             | Remove | Leave populated |
|-------------|--------|-----------------|
| FPGA header |        |                 |



#### 3.4.4 BUVIN header

The EFM32GG280F1024 MCU contains a backup power domain which can be used along with the backup real time clock. The backup power domain can be powered from a backup power source though the BUVIN pin. For more information on the backup power domain, refer to the EFM32GG Reference Manual.

The BU\_VIN header on CubeComputer grants direct access to the BUVIN pin (PD8, pin 54 on the MCU) and GND to allow an external power source to be attached to the pin. The BU\_VIN header (Molex PicoBlade, 1.27 mm pitch, right angle, male) can be populated on the top (shown in Figure 6) or bottom of the PCB. The BUVIN pin can also be connected to the "always on" 3.3 V power supply on the PC104 header (H2-27,28; see Figure 7) through a link resistor. The BU\_VIN pin can furthermore be connected to H2-42 on the PC104 header, as indicated in Figure 7.



Figure 6 – BU\_VIN Molex PicoBlade header



Figure 7 – BUVIN connection options on the PC104 header

Please select the desired BUVIN pin connection option(s).

#### **Option 10 – BUVIN pin connection selection**

|                      | BU_VIN header   |  |          | LID 40 |  |
|----------------------|-----------------|--|----------|--------|--|
|                      | Top Bottom None |  | H2-27,28 | H2-42  |  |
| BUVIN pin connection |                 |  |          |        |  |



#### 3.4.5 WDGE header

The Watchdog Enable (WDGEn) header can be used to permanently enable the external watchdog by placing a jumper over the header pins, as shown in Figure 8. The external watchdog can also be activated in software. The header (2 mm pitch, right angle, male) can be populated on the top or the bottom of the PCB. The watchdog can also be permanently enabled before launch by soldering one of the two link resistors (R501 on the top, R503 on the bottom) found near the header. Note that if the external watchdog is enabled, the debugging and programming of CubeComputer might be interrupted.



Figure 8 – Watchdog enable header

Please select whether or not the WDGEn header should be populated.

#### **Option 11 – Watchdog enable header selection**

|              | Populated |        | Net nonulated |
|--------------|-----------|--------|---------------|
|              | Тор       | Bottom | Not populated |
| WDGEn header |           |        |               |



### 3.5 Additional PC104 connections

#### 3.5.1 Analog-to-digital pins

Four analog-to-digital (A2D) pins of the MCU can be connected to specific pins on the PC104 header using link resistors. These pins can also be used as general purpose input/output (GPIO) pins or perform other functions (refer to the EFM32GG280F1024 Datasheet for more information). Please indicate the desired connection options for the A2D pins.

| MCU pin | MCU designator | PC104 pin | Connected? |
|---------|----------------|-----------|------------|
| 50      | PD4            | H1-13     |            |
| 51      | PD5            | H1-14     |            |
| 52      | PD6            | H1-15     |            |
| 53      | PD7            | H1-16     |            |

#### **Option 12 – A2D pin connections to the PC104 header**

#### 3.5.2 GPIO pins

Nine GPIO pins of the MCU can be connected to specific pins on the PC104 header using link resistors. Please indicate the desired connection options for the GPIO pins.

| Option 13 – GPIO | pin connections to the | PC104 header |
|------------------|------------------------|--------------|
|                  |                        |              |

| MCU pin | MCU designator | PC104 pin | Connected? |
|---------|----------------|-----------|------------|
| 21      | PC3            | H1-9      |            |
| 26      | PA7            | H1-10     |            |
| 20      | PA/            | H2-15     |            |
| 30      | PA11           | H1-5      |            |
| 33      | PA12           | H1-8      |            |
| 55      | PAIZ           | H2-18     |            |
| 34      | DA12           | H1-2      |            |
| 54      | PA13           | H2-20     |            |
| 35      | PA14           | H1-7      |            |
| 39      | PB11           | H1-6      |            |
| 59      | PDII           | H2-17     |            |
| 40      | PB12           | H1-4      |            |
| 40      |                | H2-19     |            |
| 69      | PC9            | H1-11     |            |

#### 3.5.3 SPI

The MCU's SPI pins can be connected to specific pins on the PC104 header using link resistors. These pins can also be used as general purpose input/output (GPIO) pins or



perform other functions (refer to the EFM32GG280F1024 Datasheet for more information). Please indicate the desired connection options for the SPI pins.

| MCU pin | MCU designator | PC104 pin | Connected? |
|---------|----------------|-----------|------------|
| 67      |                | H1-31     |            |
| 07      | PE7 (SPI MOSI) | H1-30     |            |
| 66      |                | H1-30     |            |
| 00      | PE6 (SPI MISO) | H1-31     |            |
| 65      | PE5 (SPI CLK)  | H1-29     |            |
| 64      | PE4 (SPI CS)   | H1-32     |            |

#### **Option 14 – SPI pin connections to the PC104 header**

#### 3.5.4 Debug UART

The Debug UART (U1) TX and RX pins can be connected to specific pins on the PC104 header using link resistors. These pins can also be used as general purpose input/output (GPIO) pins or perform other functions (refer to the EFM32GG280F1024 Datasheet for more information). Note that these connections pass through a voltage translator which acts as a protection buffer for the UART lines. Please indicate the desired connection options for the Debug UART pins.

| Option 15 – Debug | UART pin | connections to | the PC104 header |
|-------------------|----------|----------------|------------------|
|                   |          |                |                  |

| MCU pin | MCU designator   | PC104 pin | Connected? |
|---------|------------------|-----------|------------|
|         |                  | H1-17     |            |
|         |                  | H1-18     |            |
| 27      | PB9 (Debug UART  | H1-19     |            |
| 37      | TX)              | H1-20     |            |
|         |                  | H2-21     |            |
|         |                  | H2-22     |            |
|         |                  | H1-17     |            |
|         |                  | H1-18     |            |
| 38      | PB10 (Debug UART | H1-19     |            |
| 50      | 88 RX)           | H1-20     |            |
|         |                  | H2-21     |            |
|         |                  | H2-22     |            |

#### 3.5.5 Miscellaneous UART

The Miscellaneous UART (U0) TX and RX pins can be connected to specific pins on the PC104 header using link resistors. These pins can also be used as general purpose input/output (GPIO) pins or perform other functions (refer to the EFM32GG280F1024 Datasheet for more information). Note that these connections pass through a voltage translator which acts as a



protection buffer for the UART lines. Please indicate the desired connection options for the Miscellaneous UART pins.

| MCU pin | MCU designator               | PC104 pin | Connected? |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|
|         | <b>4</b> PF6 (Misc. UART TX) | H1-33     |            |
| 04      |                              | H1-35     |            |
| 84      |                              | H1-39     |            |
|         |                              | H1-40     |            |
|         | PF7 (Misc. UART RX)          | H1-33     |            |
| OF      |                              | H1-35     |            |
| 85      |                              | H2-39     |            |
|         |                              | H2-40     |            |

**Option 16 – Miscellaneous UART pin connections to the PC104 header** 

### 3.6 Mounting holes

CubeComputer contains two sets of mounting holes. One set is placed on the standard CubeSat Kit Bus (CSKB) positions. The other are placed more toward the centre of the PCB to allow for the mounting of a piggyback PCB. All of these mounting holes can be connected to ground or left unconnected. Please select the desired configuration for the mounting holes.

#### Option 17 – Mounting hole grounding selection

|                                     | Grounded | Not connected |
|-------------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Main CSKB mounting holes            |          |               |
| Additional piggyback mounting holes |          |               |



## 4. Additional Notes

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