

Smart Battery Module with LEDs

Features

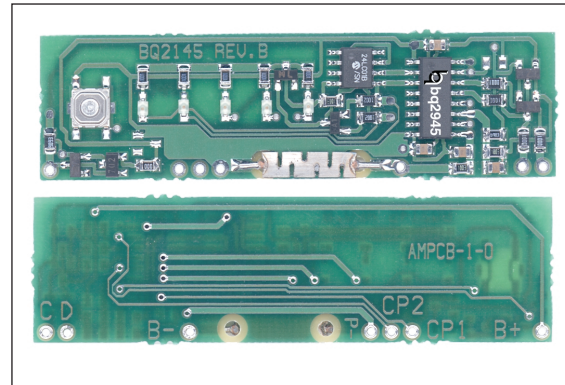
- Complete smart battery solution for NiCd, NiMH, and Li-Ion battery packs
- Based on the bq2945 Gas Gauge IC
- Accurate measurement of available battery capacity
- Designed for battery pack integration:
 - Measures only 2.5 (L) x 0.7 (W) inches
 - Includes Gas Gauge IC, configuration EEPROM, and sense resistor
 - Five onboard state-of-charge LEDs with push-button activation
 - Low operating current for minimal battery drain
- Critical battery information available over two-wire serial port

General Description

The bq2145 Smart Battery Module provides a complete solution for the design of intelligent battery packs. The bq2145 uses the SMBus protocol and supports Smart Battery Data commands in the SMB/SBD specifications. Designed for battery pack integration, the bq2145 combines the bq2945 Gas Gauge IC with a serial EEPROM on a small printed circuit board. The board includes all the necessary components to accurately monitor battery capacity and communicate critical battery parameters to the host system or battery charger. The bq2145 also includes five LEDs. The push-button switch activates the LEDs to show remaining battery capacity in 20% increments.

Contacts are provided on the bq2145 for direct connection to the battery stack (B+, B-) and the two-wire interface (C, D). Please refer to the bq2945 data sheet for specific information on the operation of the Gas Gauge and communication interface.

Unitrode configures the bq2145 based on the information requested in Table 1. The configuration defines the pack voltage, capacity, and chemistry and charge control parameters. The Smart Battery Module uses the on-board sense resistor to track charge and discharge activity of the battery pack. Figure 1 shows how the module connects to the cells.



A module development kit is also available for the bq2145. The bq2145B-KT or the bq2145LB-KT includes one configured module and the following:

- 1) An EV2200-45 interface board that allows connection to the serial port of any AT-compatible computer.
- 2) Menu-driven software to display charge/discharge activity and to allow user interface to the Gas Gauge IC and serial E²PROM from any standard Windows 95 or 3.1x PC.

Pin Descriptions

B+	BAT+/Battery positive/Pack positive
P-	PACK-/Pack negative
C	SMBC/Communications clock
D	SMBD/Serial data
B-	BAT-/Battery negative
CP2	Control pin 2
CP1	Control pin 1

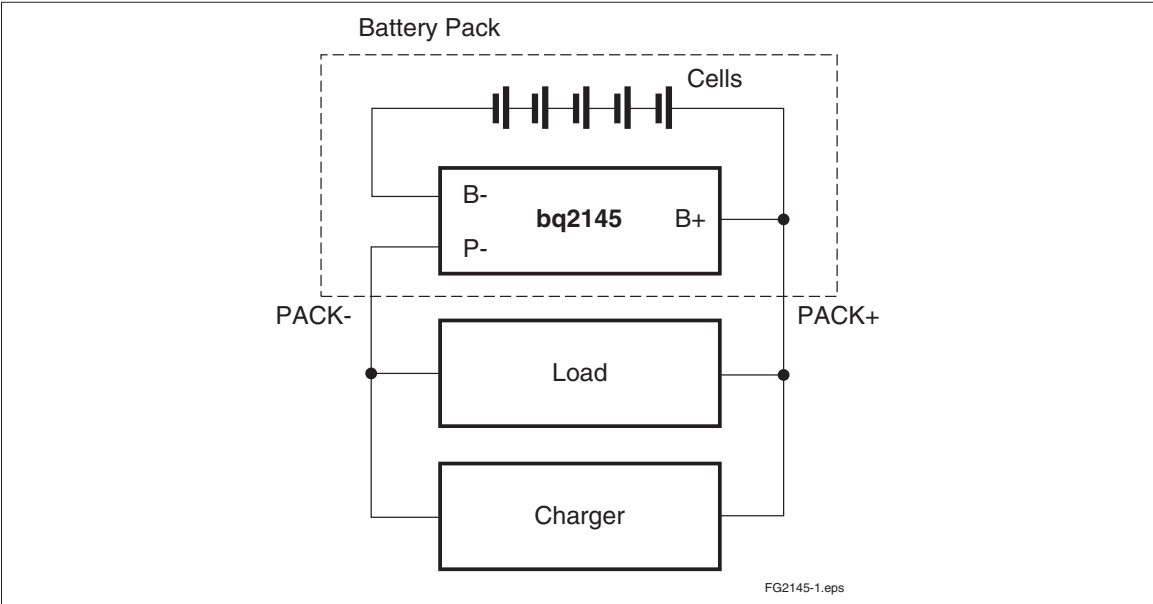


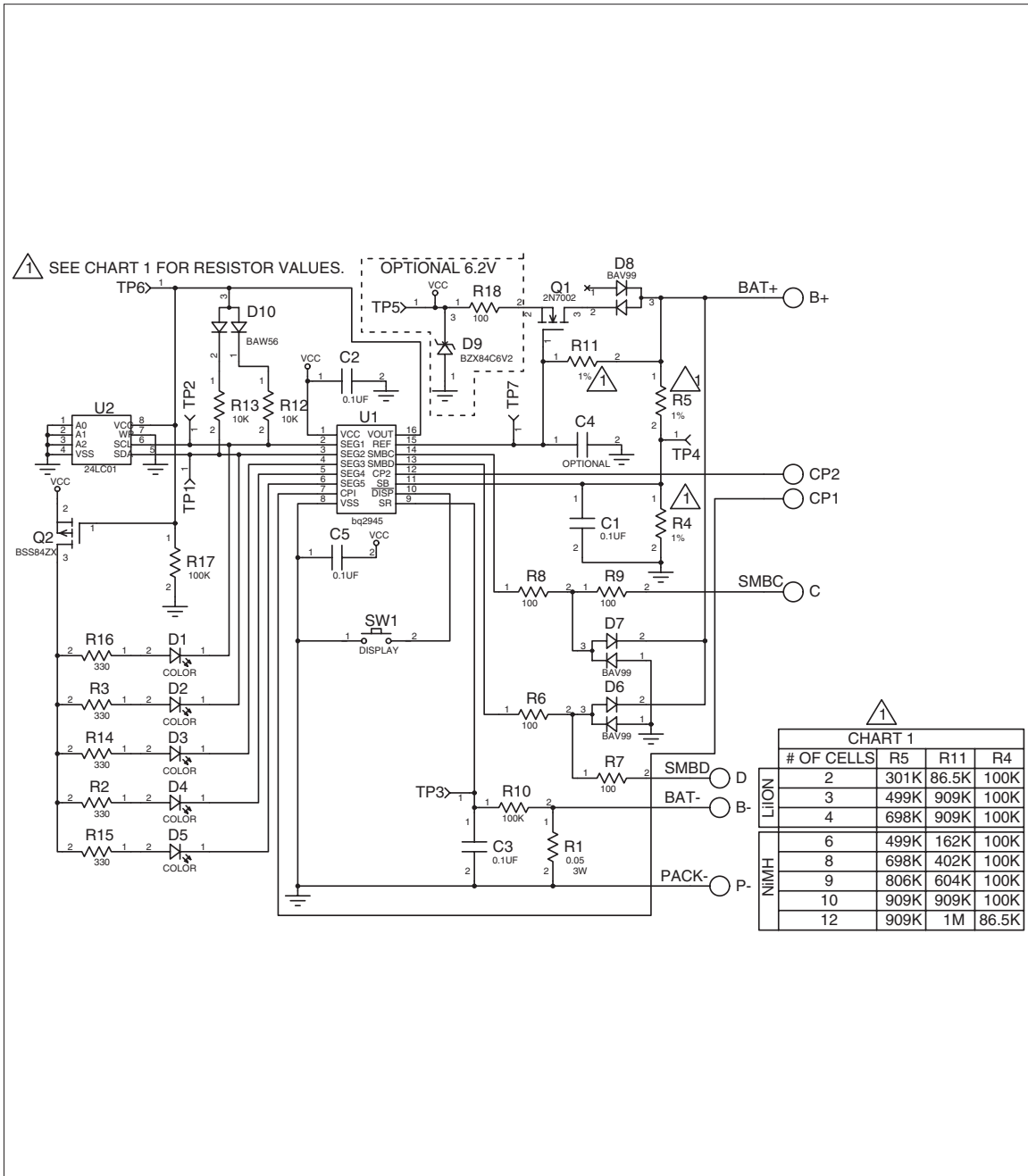
Figure 1. Module Connection Diagram

Table 1. bq2145 Module Configuration

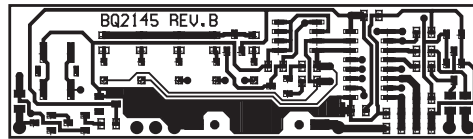
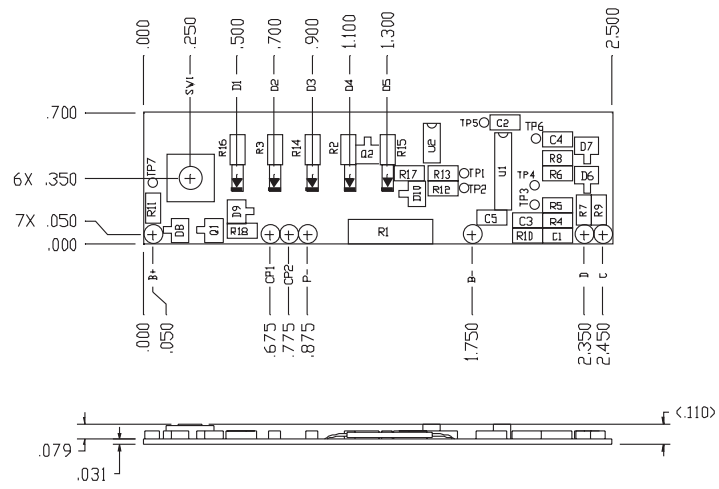
Customer Name: _____					
Contact: _____		Phone: _____			
Address: _____					
Sales Contact: _____		Phone: _____			
Board Configuration					
LEDs and switch	_____	Yes or No			
Display mode	_____	Relative or Absolute			
Discharge rate (3.0A max.)	Min _____	Avg _____	Max _____		
Duration at max. discharge	_____				
Number of series cells	_____				
EEPROM Configuration				Typical Values	
				NiMH	Li-Ion
Remaining time alarm (min)	_____	Sets the low time alarm level		10 min	10 min
Remaining capacity alarm (mAh)	_____	Sets the low capacity alarm level		C/10	C/10
Charging voltage (mV)	_____	Sets the requested charging voltage		65535	4.1V/cell
Design capacity (mAh)	_____	Defines the battery pack capacity		3000	3600
Design voltage (mV)	_____	Defines the battery pack voltage		12000	10800
Manufacturer date	_____	Battery pack manufacturer date		mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
Serial number	_____	Battery pack serial number		0-65535	0-65535
Fast-charging current (mA)	_____	Sets the requested charging current		1C	1C
Maintenance charging current (mA)	_____	Sets the requested maintenance charging current		C/20	0
Li-Ion taper current (mA)	_____	Sets the upper limit for charge termination		NA	C/10
Maximum overcharge (mAh)	_____	Sets the maximum amount of overcharge		256mAh	128mAh
Maximum temperature (°C)	_____	Sets the maximum charge temperature		61°C	61°C
$\Delta T/\Delta t$ (°C/min)	_____	Sets the termination rate		3°C/3min	4.6°C/20s
Fast-charge efficiency (%)	_____	Sets the fast-charge efficiency factor		95%	100%
Maintenance charge efficiency (%)	_____	Sets the maintenance charge efficiency factor		80%	100%
Self-discharge rate (%/day)	_____	Sets the battery's self-discharge rate		1.5%/day	0.2%/day
EDV1 (mV)	_____	Sets the initial end-of-discharge warning		1.05V/cell	3.0V/cell
EDVF (mV)	_____	Sets the final end-of-discharge warning		1.0V/cell	2.8V/cell
Hold-off timer for $\Delta T/\Delta t$ (sec.)	_____	Sets the hold off period for $\Delta T/\Delta t$ termination		180s	320s
Manufacturer name	_____	Programs manufacturer's name (11 char. max)		bq	bq
Device name	_____	Programs device name (7 char. max)		bq36	bq202
Chemistry	_____	Programs pack's chemistry (7 char. max)		NiMH	LION
Manufacturer data	_____	Open field (5 char. max)		2040	2040
FAE Approval	_____			Date: _____	

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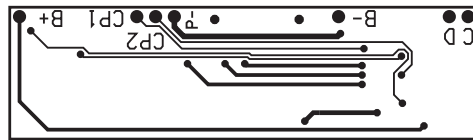
bq2145 Schematic



bq2145 Board

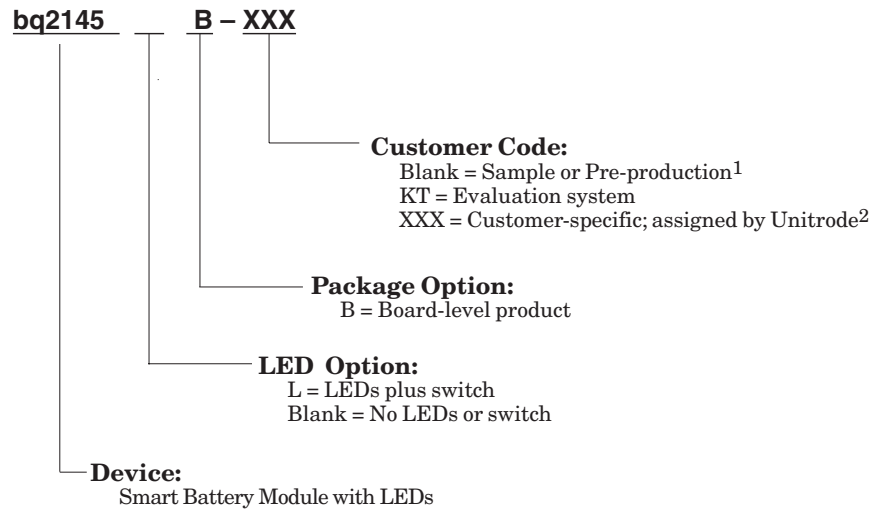


LAYER 1



LAYER 2

Ordering Information



- Notes:**
1. Requires configuration sheet (see Table 1)
 2. Example production part number: bq2145LB-001

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