



Battery-free light sensor tag based on STM32L0 and BlueNRG-2



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Features

- Wireless energy autonomous light sensor
- Limit of detection > 200 lux
- · Bluetooth low energy communication
- Communication range: 5 meters
- Tag size: 2 cm x 2 cm
- Tag thickness: < 4 mm
- Tag weight: < 5 g
- · Radio activity control
- Advertising time control
- · Over-the-air configuration

Description

The STDES-BFTAG01 is an energy autonomous and battery-free wireless sensor.

The companion STPVTAG app is available for free download on Google Play.

The device implements off-the-shelf components (2 x 2~cm PCB, 4 mm thickness, weight <5 grams).

It features Bluetooth low energy (BLE) communication and can harvest and sense indoor ambient light with a limit of detection of 200~lux.

The board is energetically autonomous thanks to a photovoltaic transducer that simultaneously provides power and light sensing functionality, together with time domain read-out.

The number of tag transmissions to a remote base station, in a given time interval, proportionally varies in relation with light intensity, that is, more light is equal to more frequent broadcasts.

Therefore, the battery-free tag expresses light intensity as a function of time and this phenomenon can be exploited by the base station to convert transmission intervals into accurate expressions of light intensity.

The same concept can be extended to other sources of ambient energy, such as kinetics, thermal, etc.

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Product summary		
Energy autonomous and battery-free wireless sensor	STDES-BFTAG01	
32-bit ultra-low- power MCU	STM32L0	
Bluetooth low energy wireless system-on-chip	BlueNRG-2	
Applications	Lighting sensors	

Schematic diagrams



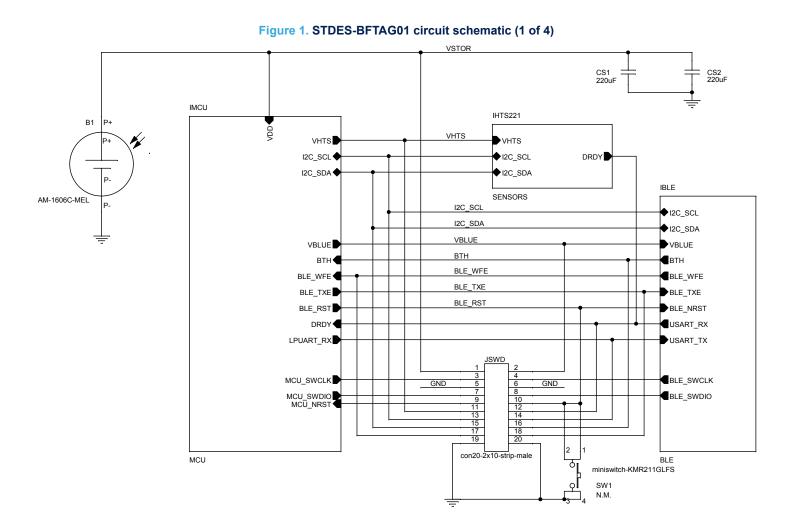




Figure 2. STDES-BFTAG01 circuit schematic (2 of 4)

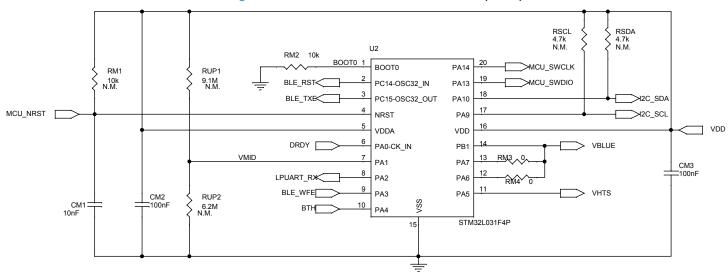
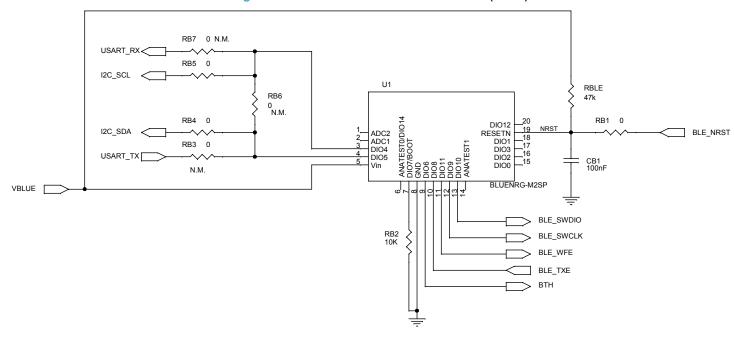
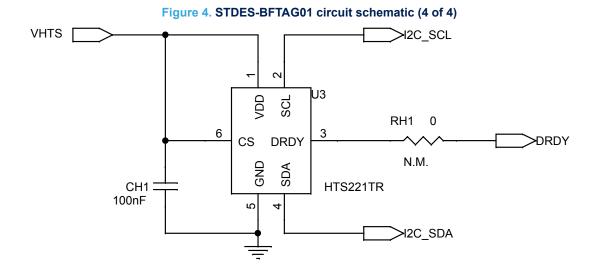


Figure 3. STDES-BFTGA01 circuit schematic (3 of 4)









Revision history

Table 1. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
19-Apr-2021	1	Initial release.
11-May-2021	2	Updated cover image. Updated description

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