

Introduction

The A34M420 Starter Kit makes it easy to develop applications when using the A34M420YLN high-performance microcontroller with an Arm Cortex®-M4F 32-bit core. The A34M420 Starter Kit includes the elements for beginners and experienced users to start their development.

This A34M420 Starter Kit contains an A34M420YLN in 120-LQFP package, an ABOV A-Link debugger embedded debug tool, LEDs, push buttons, and a type-C USB connector. Also, this starter kit has expansion header connectors for either user function circuits or specialized function boards.

The A34M420 Starter Kit comes with the ABOV software libraries and examples provided as a reference software package.

Figure 1. Starter Kit Board

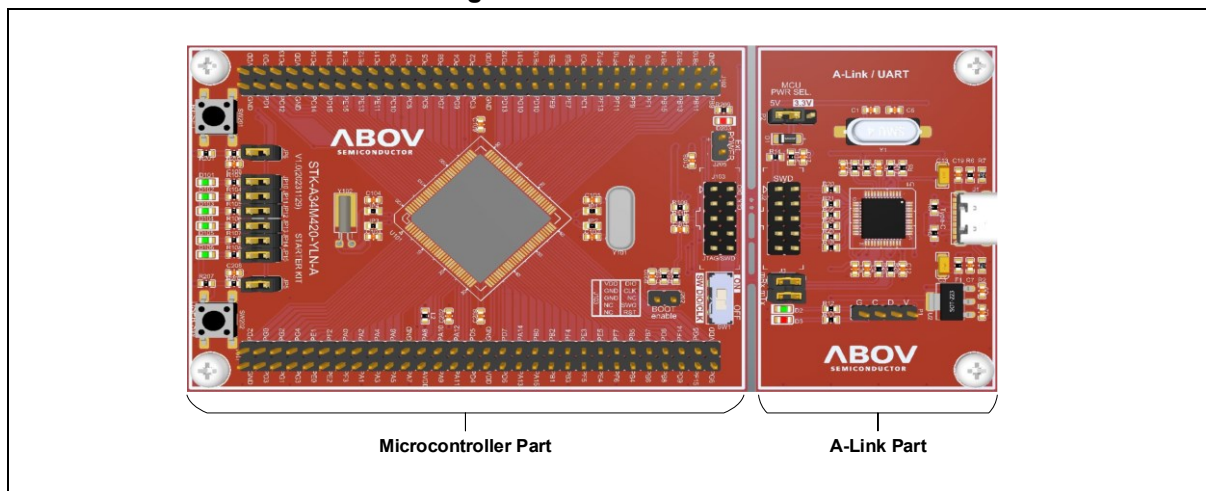


Table 1. Main Features of Starter Kit Board

Main feature		Specifications	Remark
Microcontroller		A34M420YLN	Cortex-M4F, 140 MHz, 120-LQFP
Operating Clock		PLL Internal 500 kHz Internal 32 MHz External 32.768 kHz External 8 MHz	Max 140MHz LSI HSI LSE HSE
Flash Memory	Code	1,024 KB	Dual Bank (512 KB + 512 KB)
	Data	32 KB	Data
SRAM		64 KB	SRAM
Host Interface Type		USB 2.0 FS	USB Type C
Debugging Port		SWD	10-pin connector
Input Buttons		Reset x 1, event input x 1	TACT switch

Reference Document

The following documents are available on www.abovsemi.com.

- A34M420_User's Manual
- A34M420_Datasheet

For information on A34M420 relevant technical materials, visit our official website.

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1. Ordering Information

To order the starter kit board product of microcontrollers, refer to Table 2.

For more information about the starter kit board, please visit the ABOV website (www.abovsemi.com).

Table 2. Ordering Information

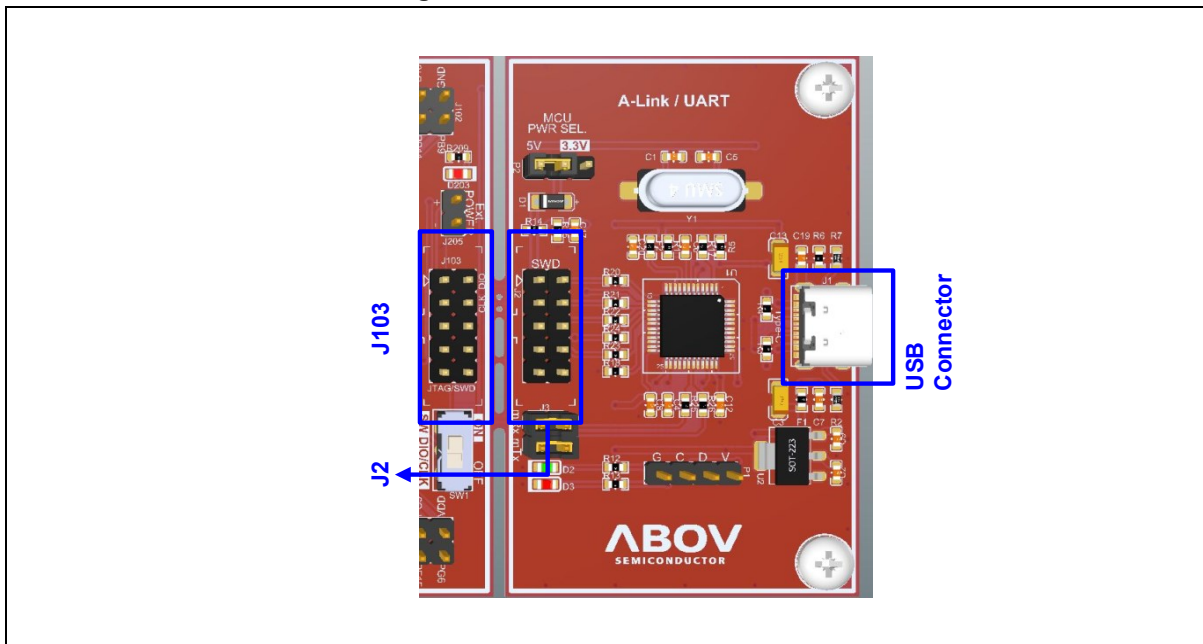
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StarterKit-A34M420YLN	STK-A34M420-YLN-A	A34M420YLN

2. Hardware Configuration: A-Link Part

In this chapter, the A-Link part of the starter kit board is described.

2.1 A-Link Part

Figure 2. A-Link Part of Starter Kit



2.1.1 J1: USB Type C Connector

- Power supply by USB connector from host computer
- A-Link CMSIS-DAP compatible debugger
- USB-to-UART serial port

2.1.2 J103: SWD Connector on Microcontroller Part

Table 3. SWD Connector Pin Description on Microcontroller Part (J103)

Pin Name	Pin Number	Pin Number	Pin Name
V-Sense	1	2	SWDIO
GND	3	4	SWCLK
GND	5	6	N.C.
N.C.	7	8	N.C.
GND	9	10	nRESET

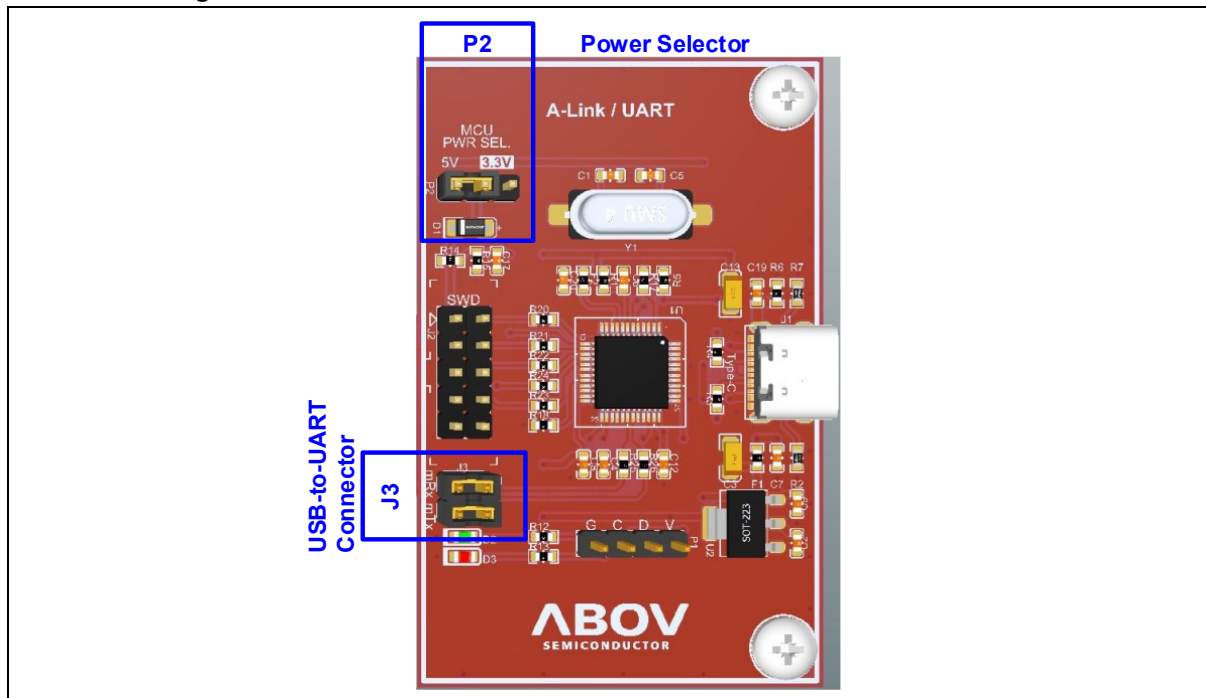
2.1.3 J2: SWD Connector on A-Link Part

Table 4. SWD Connector Pin Description on A-Link Part (J2)

Pin Name	Pin Number	Pin Number	Pin Name
V-Sense	1	2	SWDIO
GND	3	4	SWCLK
GND	5	6	N.C.
N.C.	7	8	N.C.
GND	9	10	nRESET

2.2 Power Selector and USB-to-UART Connector

Figure 3. Power Selector and USB-to-UART Connector on A-Link Part



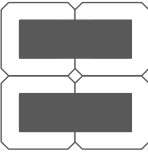
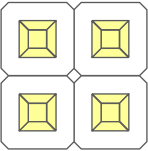
2.2.1 P2: Microcontroller Power Selector

Table 5. Microcontroller Power Selector (P2)

P2	VDD
	Use a 5.0 V power supply by USB connector (P2).
	Use a 3.3 V power supply by USB connector (P2).
	Use external power supply from microcontroller part (J205). See section 3.1.1.

2.2.2 J3: USB-to-UART Connection

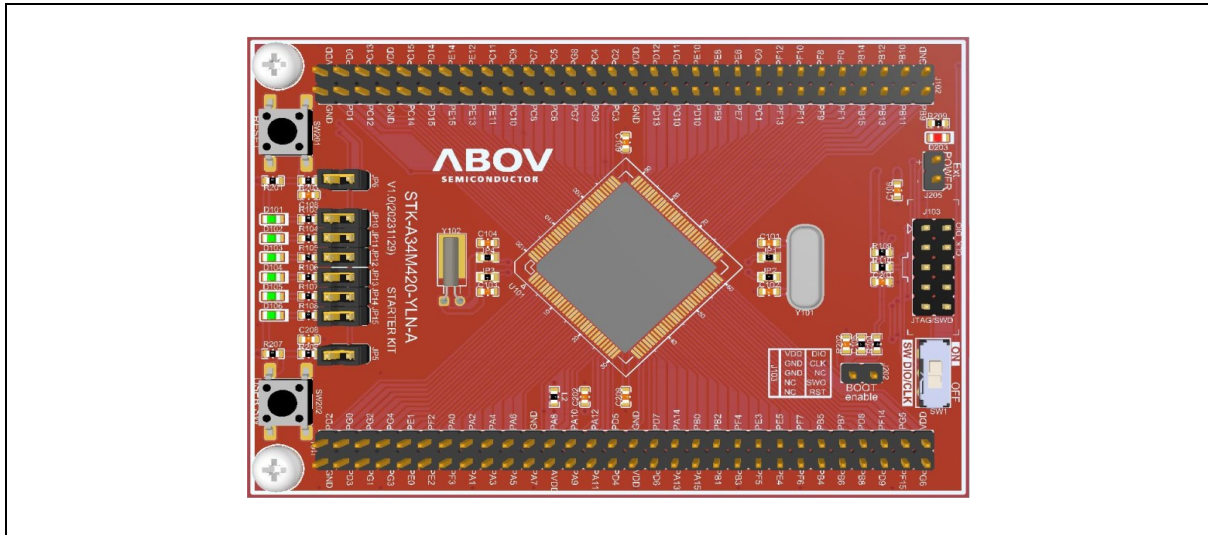
Table 6. USB-to-UART Connector (J3)

J3	Pin	Description
	Short	PC14/RXD pin is connected to the host TXD signal. PC15/TXD pin is connected to the host RXD signal.
	Open	PC14/RXD pin is not connected with the host. PC15/TXD pin is not connected with the host.

3. Hardware Configuration: Microcontroller Part

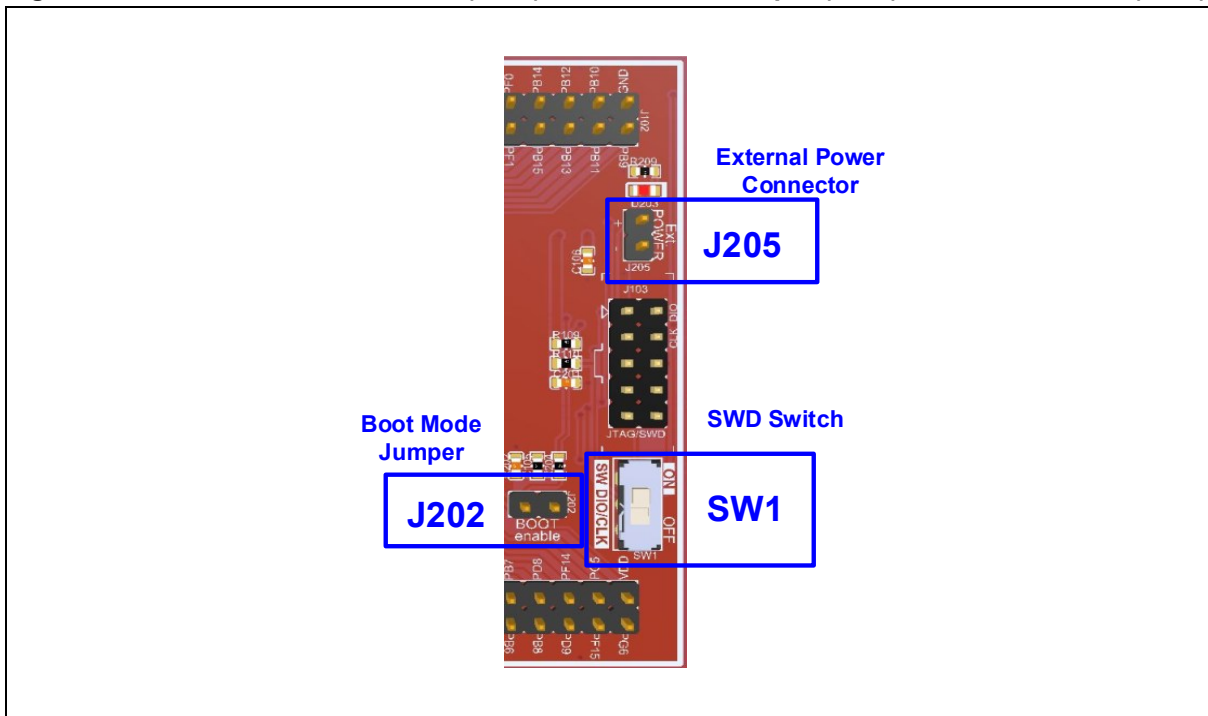
Chapter 3 describes the power, BOOT mode jumper and switches, and LEDs on the starter kit board.

Figure 4. Microcontroller Part of Starter Kit Board



3.1 External Power Connector, BOOT Mode Jumper, and SWD Switch (SW1)

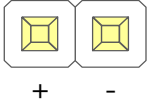
Figure 5. External Power Connector (J205), BOOT Mode Jumper (J202), and SWD Switch (SW1)



3.1.1 J205: External Power Connector


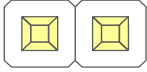
If the USB connector (J1) is not used for power supply, the J205 pin can be used to supply external power to the microcontroller part.

Table 7. Pin Description of External Power Connector (J205)

J205	Pin Name	Description
	VDD	2.5 to 5.0 V (ADC: 2.7 to 5.0 V)
	GND	0 V

3.1.2 J202: BOOT Mode Jumper

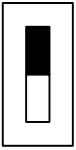
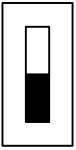
Table 8. Usage of BOOT Jumper (J202)

J202	Connection State	Description
	Short	BOOT Mode
	Open	Normal Mode

3.1.3 SW1: SWD Connection Switch

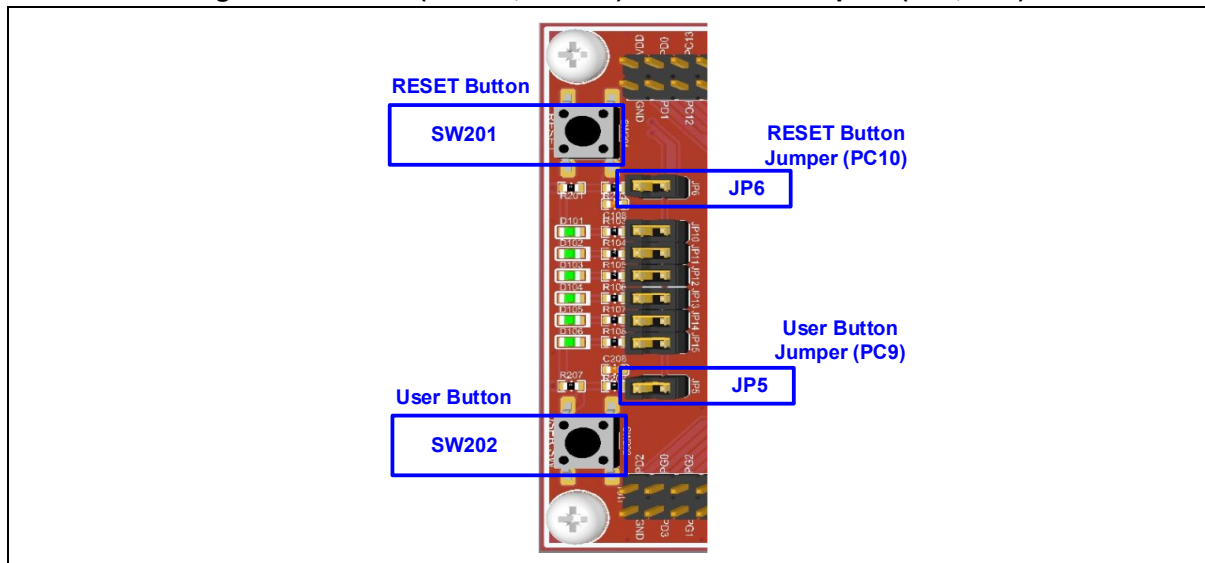
The SWCLK and SWDIO pins are SWD (Serial Wire Debug) signals for clock and data respectively and are used as debug interfaces.

Table 9. Usage of SWD Switch

SW1 State	ON	SW1 State	OFF
	SWCLK/SWDIO pins are connected to A-Link.		SWDLK/SWDIO pins are disconnected from A-Link.

3.2 nRESET Button and User Button

Figure 6. Buttons (SW201, SW202) and Button Jumpers (JP5, JP6)



3.2.1 SW201, SW202, JP5, JP6: Button and Button Jumpers

Table 10. Description of Input Buttons (SW201, SW202)

Switch	Function	Connection pin
SW201	Ext. reset input switch	nRESET/PC10 connected with JP6.
SW202	Ext. user input switch	PC9/T8IO/CLKO connected with JP5.

Table 11. Usage of User Button Jumper (J5)

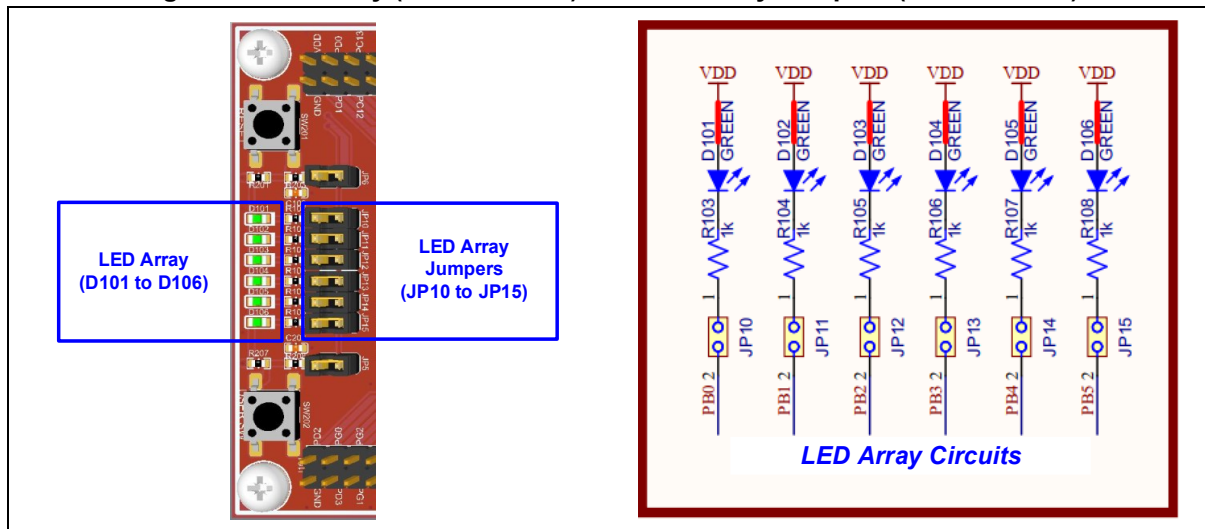
J5	Connection status	Description
	Short	Connected to PC9/T8IO/CLKO pin.
	Open	Not connected to SW202.

Table 12. Usage of RESET Button Jumper (J6)

J6	Connection status	Description
	Short	RESET button is connected to nRESET/PC10 pin.
	Open	Not connected to SW201.

3.3 LED Array

Figure 7. LED Array (D101 to D106) and LED Array Jumpers (JP10 to JP15)





3.3.1 LED Array and Jumpers

Table 13. LED Array Pin Description (D101 to D106)

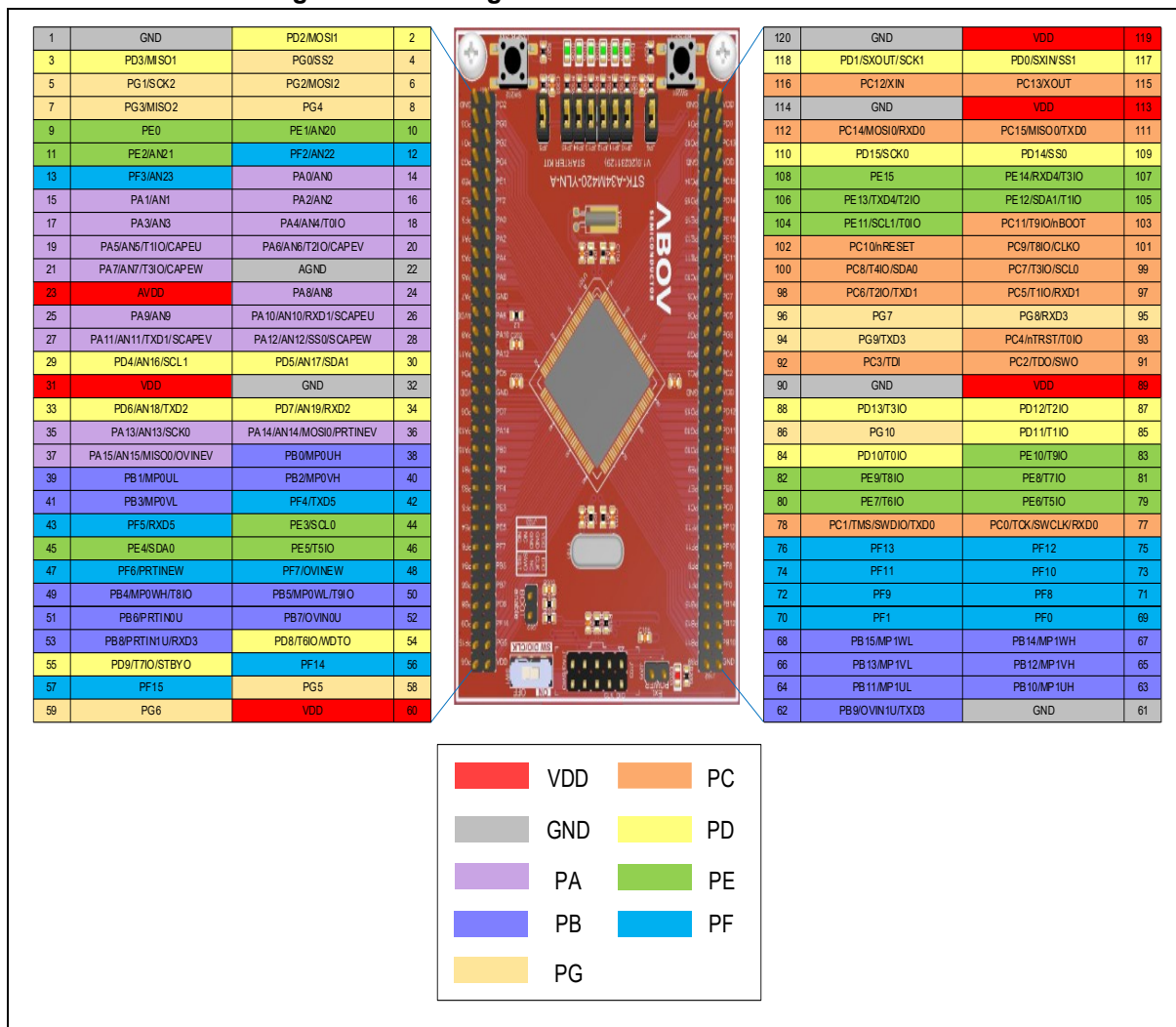
LED Name	LED Jumper	Connected Pin
D101	JP10	PB0/MP0UH
D102	JP11	PB1/MP0UL
D103	JP12	PB2/MP0VH
D104	JP13	PB3/MP0VL
D105	JP14	PB4/MP0WH
D106	JP15	PB5/MP0WL

Table 14. Usage of LED Array Jumpers (JP10 to JP15)

JP10 to JP15	Connection status	Description
	Short	Use LED.
	Open	Not use LED.

3.4 Pin Assignment

Figure 8. Pin Assignment of Starter Kit-A34M420YLN



Revision History

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