



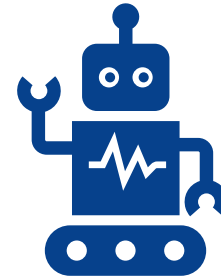
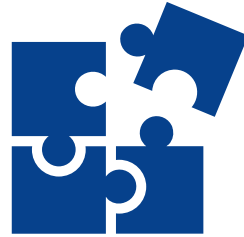
DEEP DIVE INTO EK-RA8D1 RENESAS ADVANCED MCU KIT

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RENESAS ADVANCED (RA) MCU KITS

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AGENDA



**Vision & Objective
of New RA Kits**

**Architecture
Features & Benefits**

**Deep Dive
Kit Features &
User Experience**

**Getting Started
Quickly**

VISION OF RA KITS

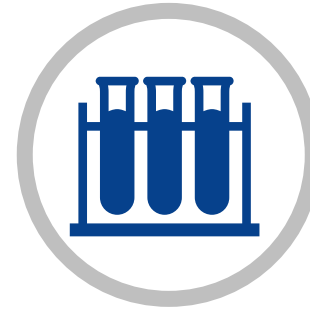
Deliver an **unmatched innovation experience** through scalable, flexible & ecosystem-ready Renesas Advanced MCU kits that enable users to **bring their innovative products to market faster.**

OBJECTIVE

To enable a large number of use cases so customers, engineers, developers, distributors, partners, etc. can do more



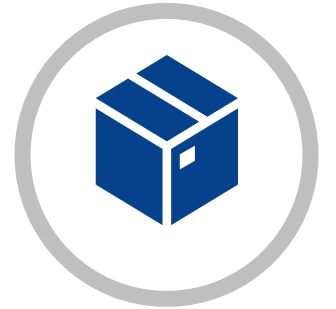
Proof-of-Concepts



Functional Evaluation



Getting Started Reference



Solutions & Demos



Trainings & Workshops



Maker Community

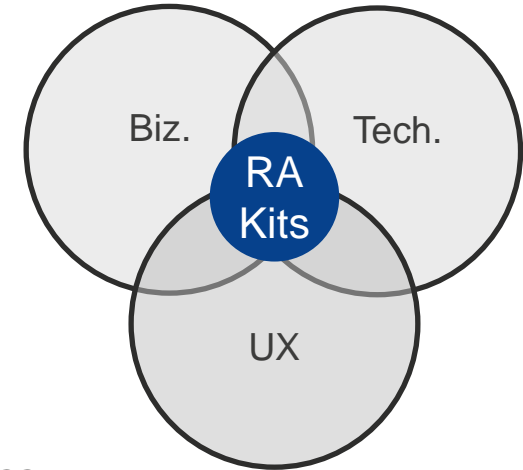
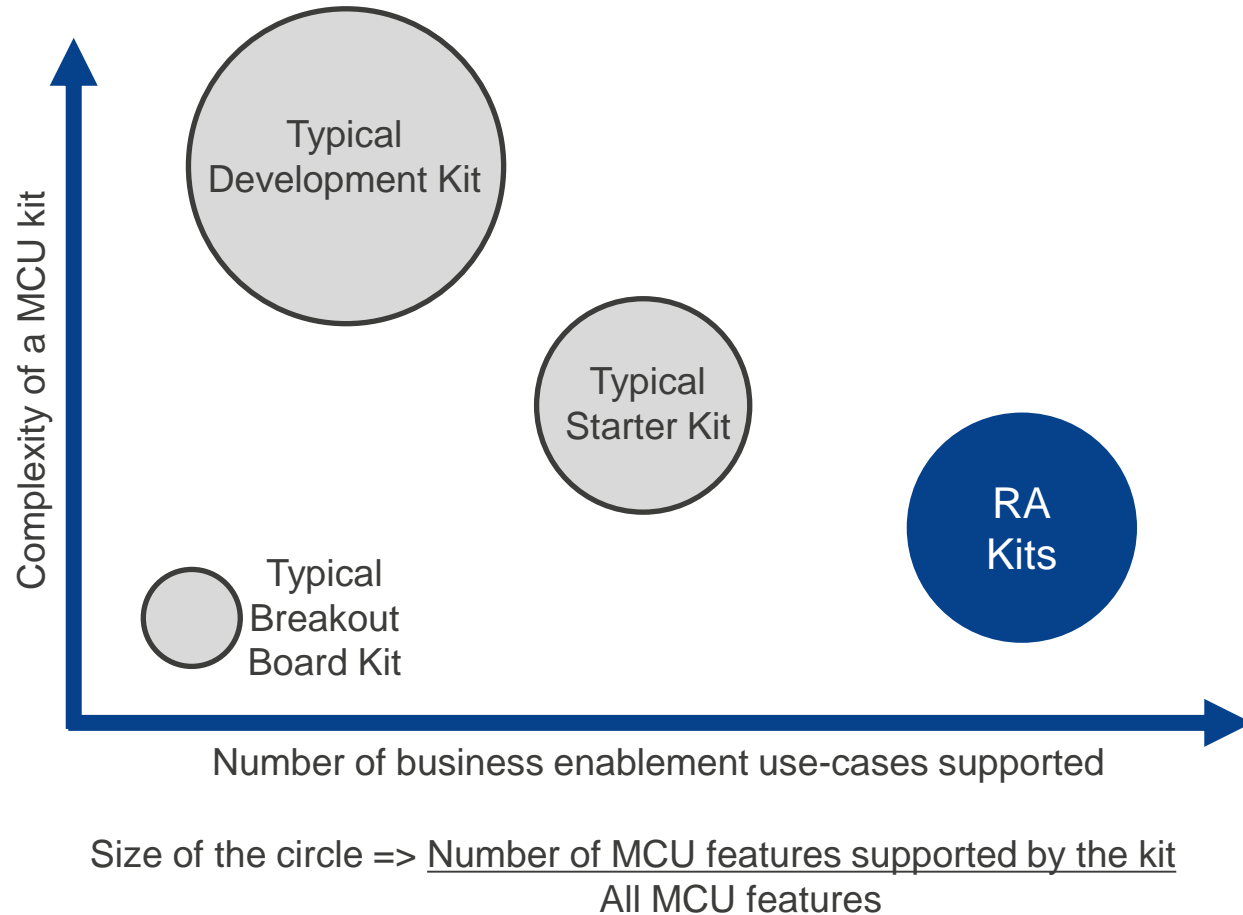


Research & Academia



Promotions & Lead Generation

STRATEGY



Business

- Serve global customer base
- Facilitate cross-selling
- Lower NRE & faster time to market

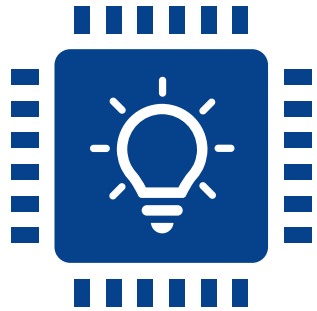
Technical

- Useful for innovation
- Support prioritized MCU peripherals
- Ecosystem ready

User Experience

- Delightful to use
- Beautifully designed & presented

DIFFERENTIATION THAT SETS YOU APART



Innovation Ready

A winning combination of standardization & flexibility



Ecosystem Ready

Enhance functionality on your terms



World Ready

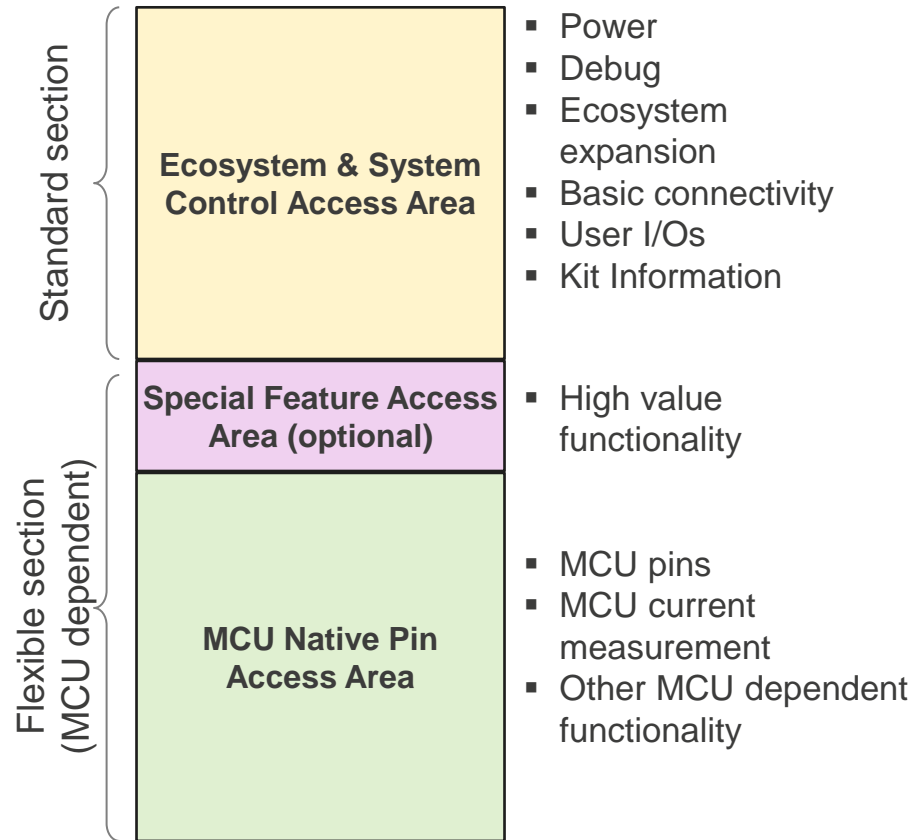
Compliant with many international standards



Fun Ready

Take the guesswork out of your innovation experience

KIT ARCHITECTURE



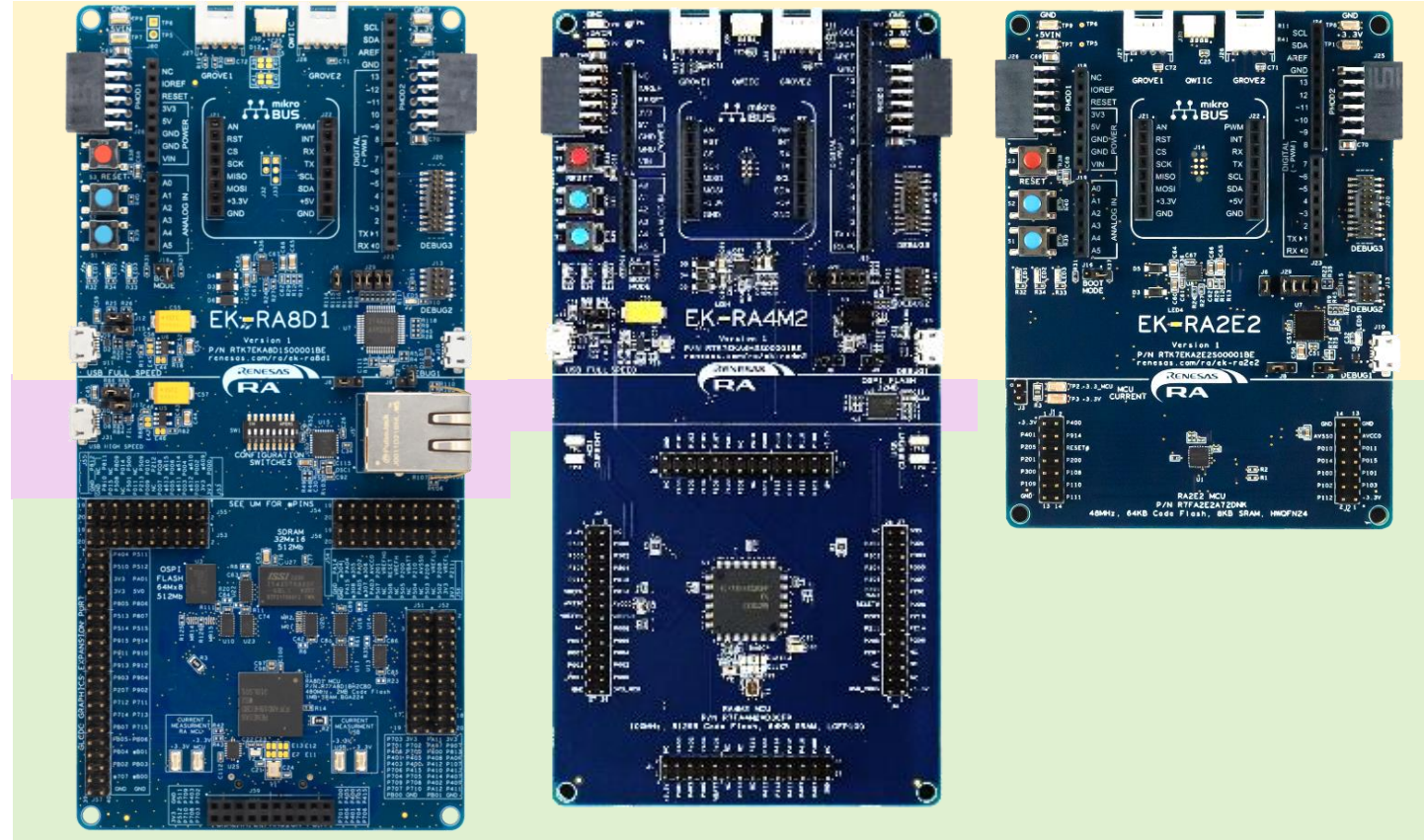
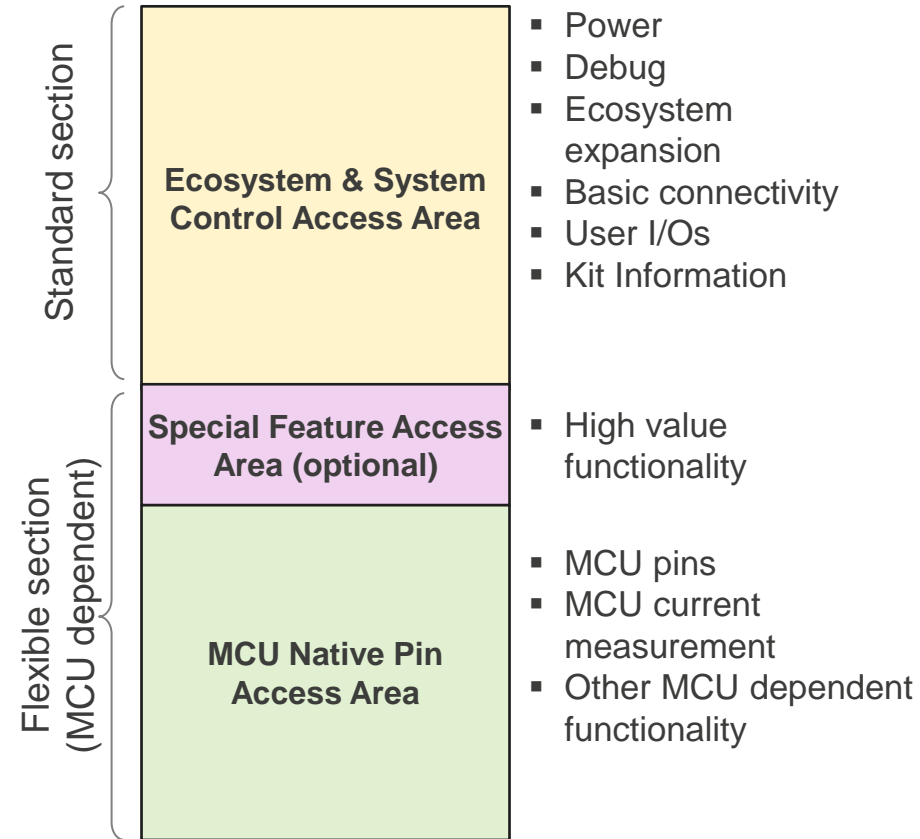
Key Features of Architecture

- Scalable design framework
- Feature access organization
- On-board access to most-popular ecosystems

Benefits of Architecture

- ✓ Applicable across RA MCUs – new kits
- ✓ Shorter learning curve for users
- ✓ Improved user experience
- ✓ Maximize hardware design reuse
- ✓ Lower NRE
- ✓ Faster time to market
- ✓ Brings more innovation to users
- ✓ Allows for vast functionality expansion
- ✓ Fuels partner engagement and ecosystem utilization

KIT ARCHITECTURE

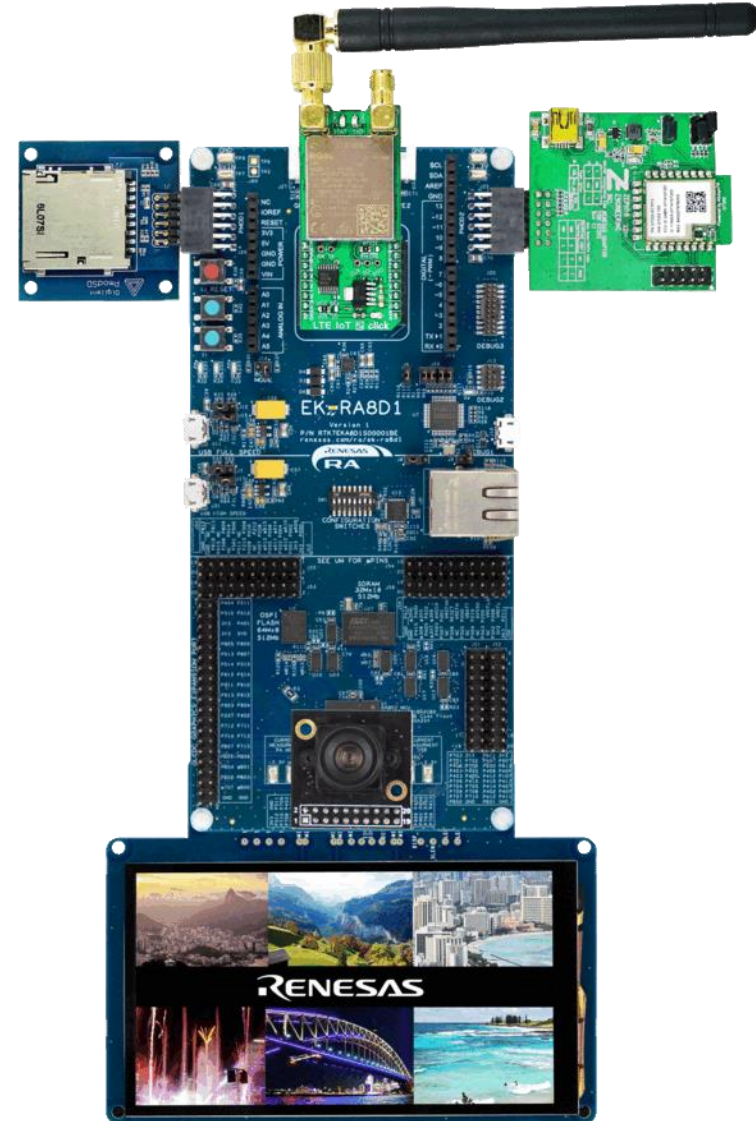
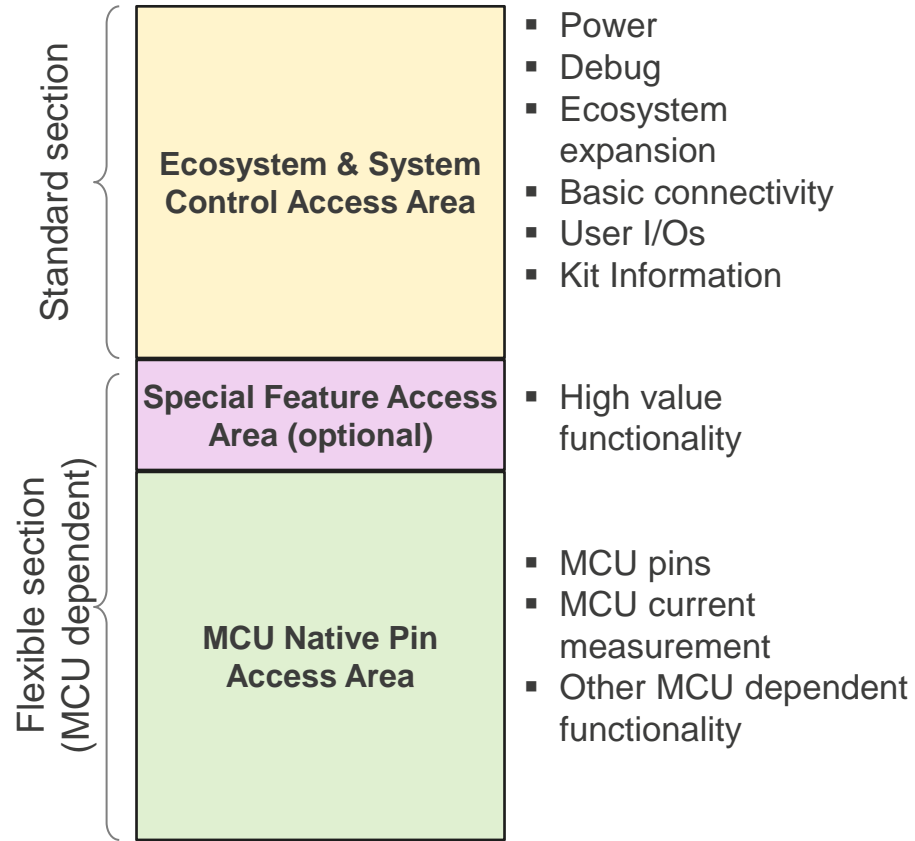


EK-RA8D1 Board

EK-RA4M2 Board

EK-RA2E2 Board

KIT ARCHITECTURE



Connect RA kits with ecosystem add-ons to enhance the functionality to support variety of end-applications

THE WORLD OF INNOVATION AWAITS YOU!

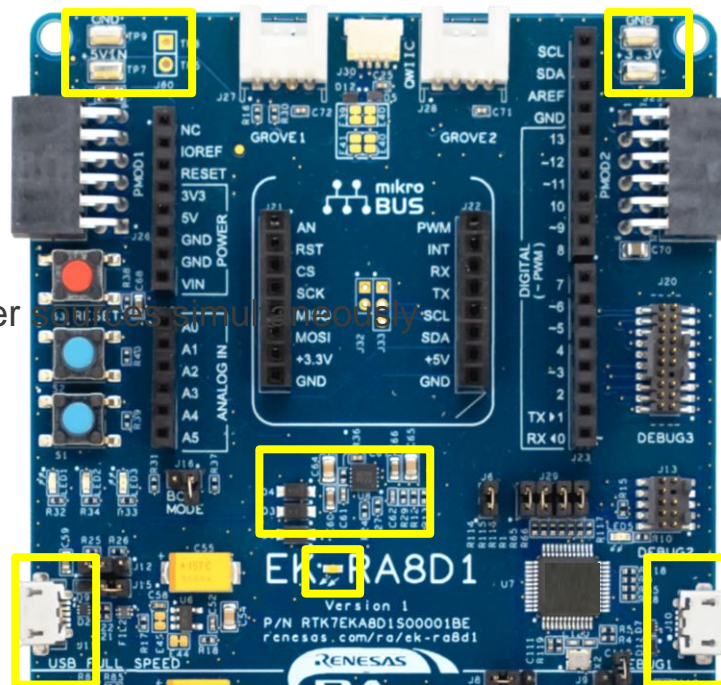


EK-RA8D1
Evaluation Kit for RA8D1 MCU Group

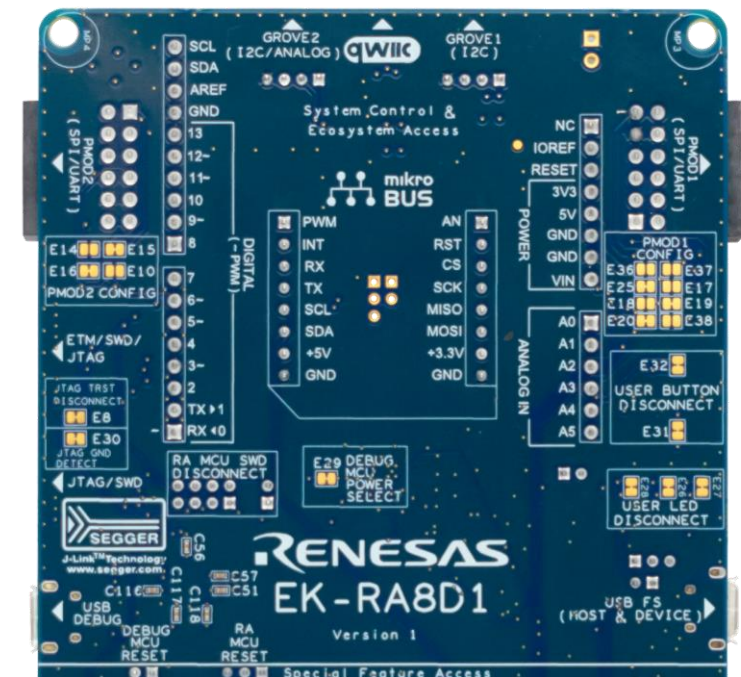
ECOSYSTEM & SYSTEM CONTROL ACCESS AREA

Power

- Multiple power inputs
 - USB debug
 - USB full speed
 - Clamping loops & through holes
- On-board LDO 5 V to 3.3 V, **2 A**
- 3.3 V test clamping loop
- Power LED (white)
- Superimpose currents by connecting multiple power



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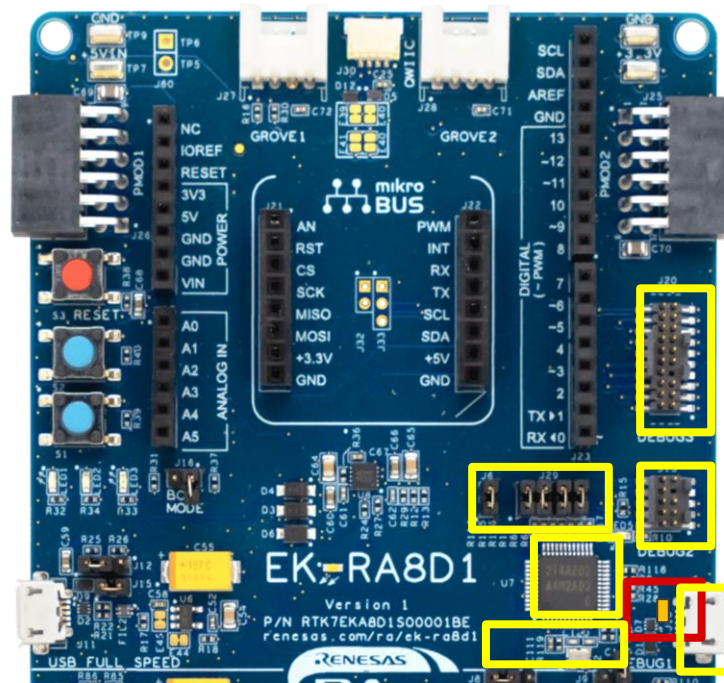


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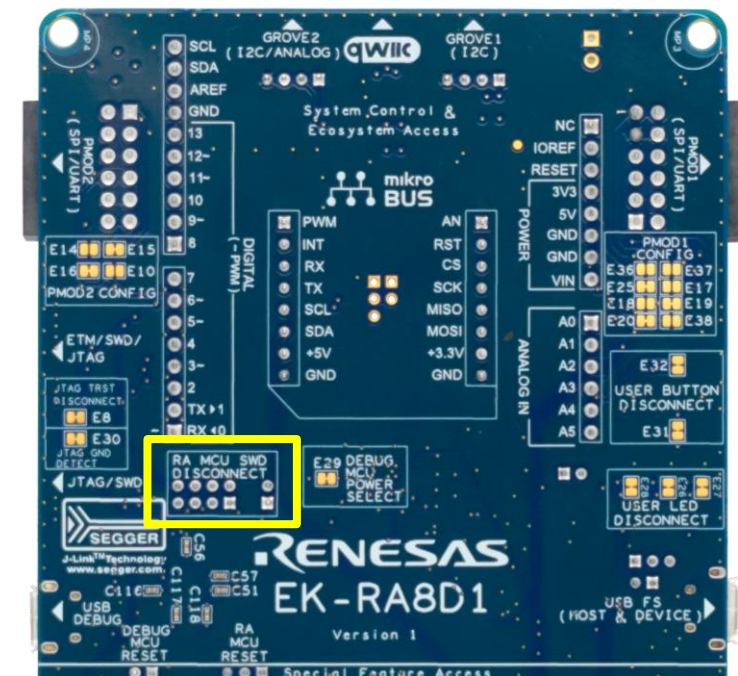
ECOSYSTEM & SYSTEM CONTROL ACCESS AREA

Debug & Trace

- RA4M2 debug MCU
- Segger J-Link™ firmware
- Debug connectors
 - Micro USB (SWD)
 - 10-pin Cortex (SWD, JTAG)
 - 20-pin Cortex (SWD, JTAG, ETM)
- Debug status LED (orange)
 - Solid – debug drivers detected
 - Blinking - debug drivers not detected
- Debug modes selection jumpers



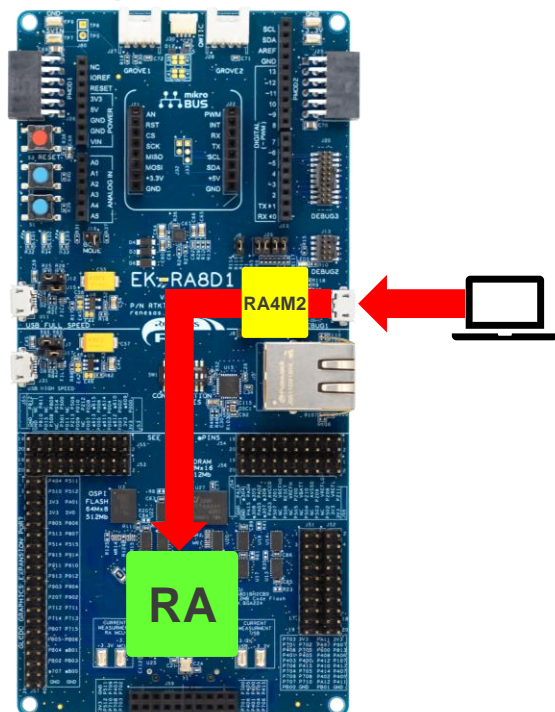
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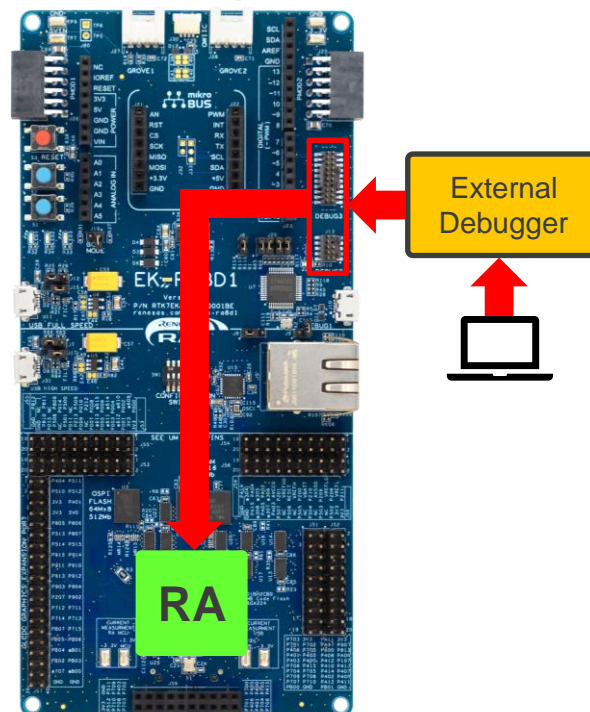
MULTIPLE DEBUG MODES

Debug On-Board



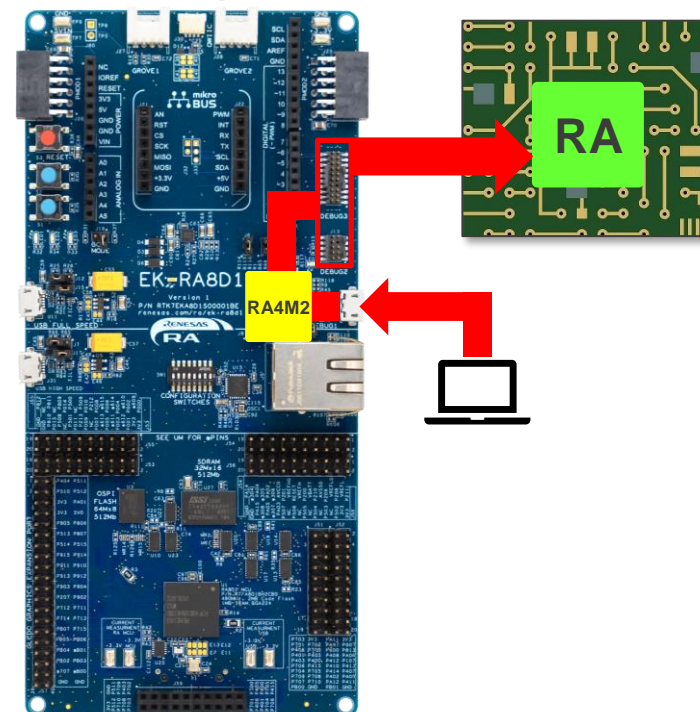
Interface: SWD
Connector: USB Debug

Debug In



Interface: SWD, ETM, JTAG
Connectors: 10-pin, 20-pin

Debug Out



Interface: SWD
Connectors: USB Debug, 10-pin, 20-pin

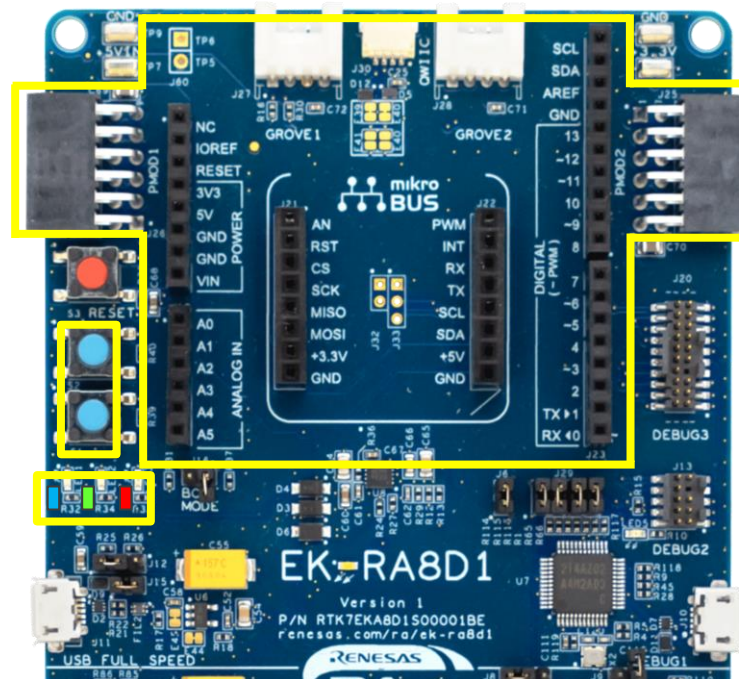
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Ecosystem Expansion

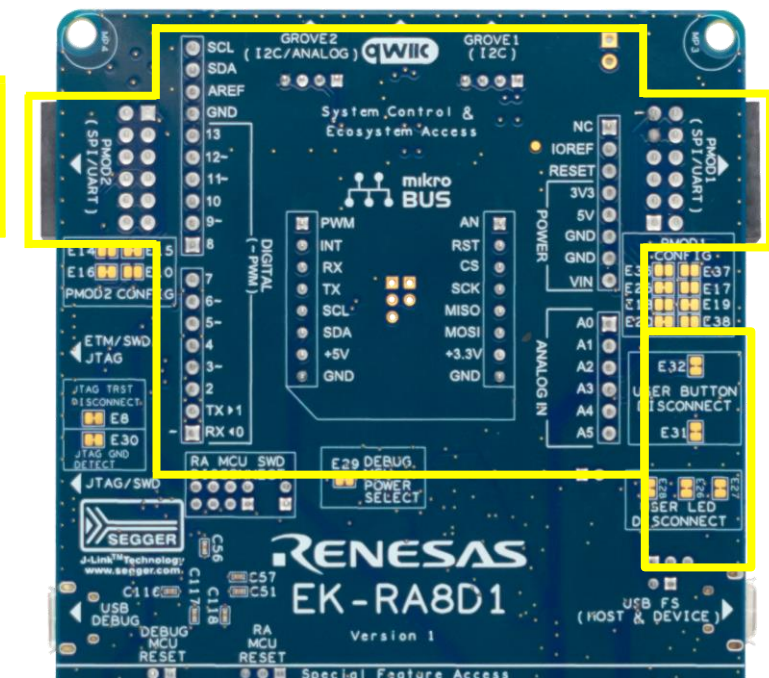
- 2 SeedGrove® system (I2C/Analog)
- 2 Digilent Pmod™ (SPI & UART)
- Arduino™ (Uno R3)
- MikroElektronika™ mikroBUS
- SparkFun® Qwiic®

User I/O

- 3x User LEDs (red, blue, green)
- 2x User buttons (blue)
- Disconnect traces



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ECOSYSTEM & SYSTEM CONTROL ACCESS AREA

Serial Connectivity

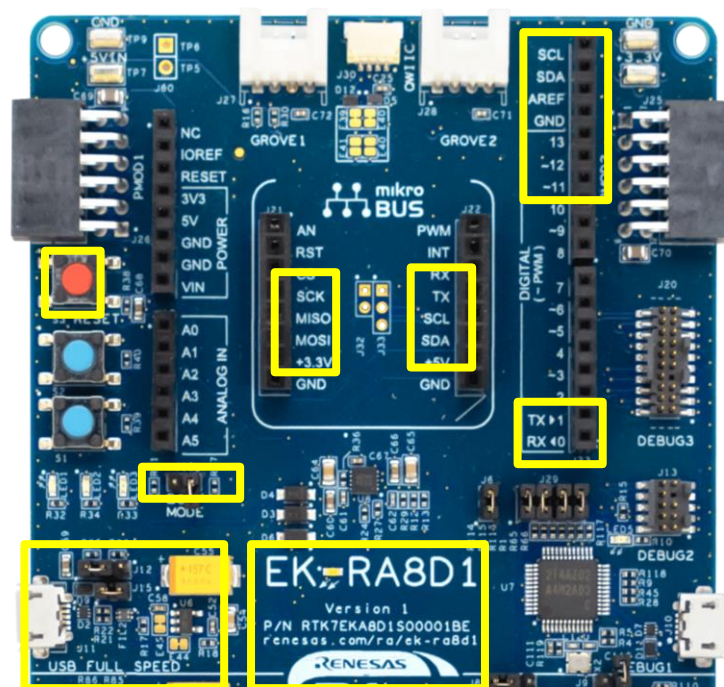
- SPI, I2C and UART through ecosystem headers
- USB full speed (host & device)
 - Micro AB connector

System Control

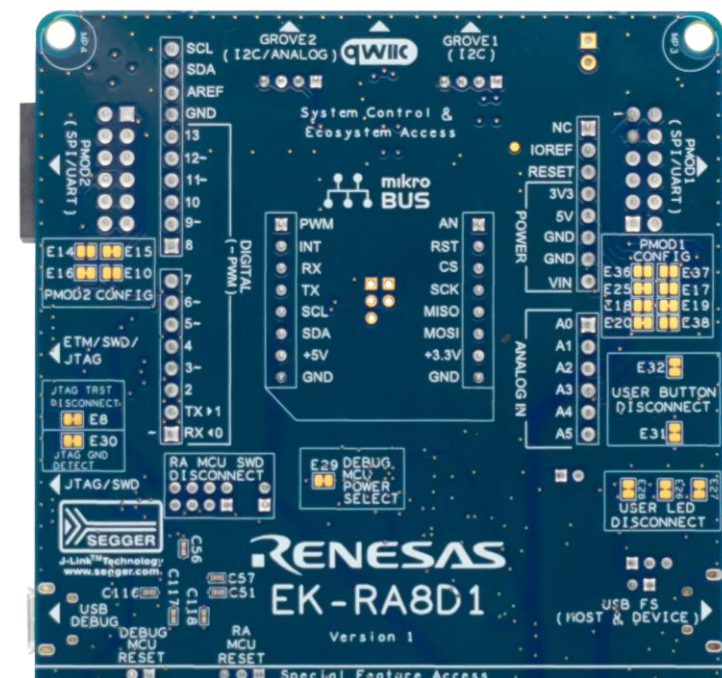
- Reset button (red)
- Boot configuration jumper

Others

- Kit information area
- Version number
- Orderable part number
- Website



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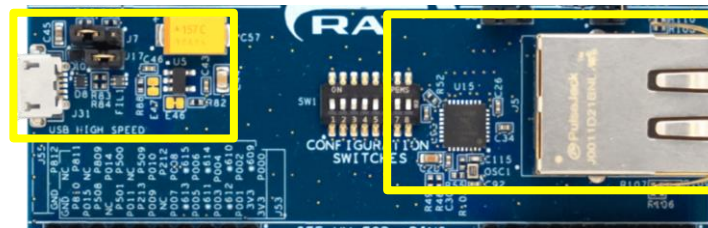


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SPECIAL FEATURES ACCESS AREA

High Speed Connectivity

- Ethernet PHY
 - RJ45 with integrated magnetics
 - RX & TX LEDs
 - RMIII disconnect traces
- USB full speed (host & device)
 - Micro AB connector



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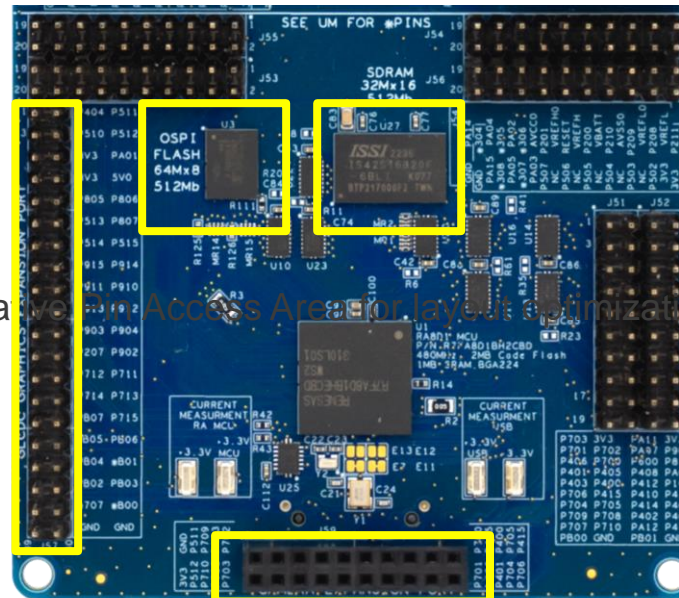
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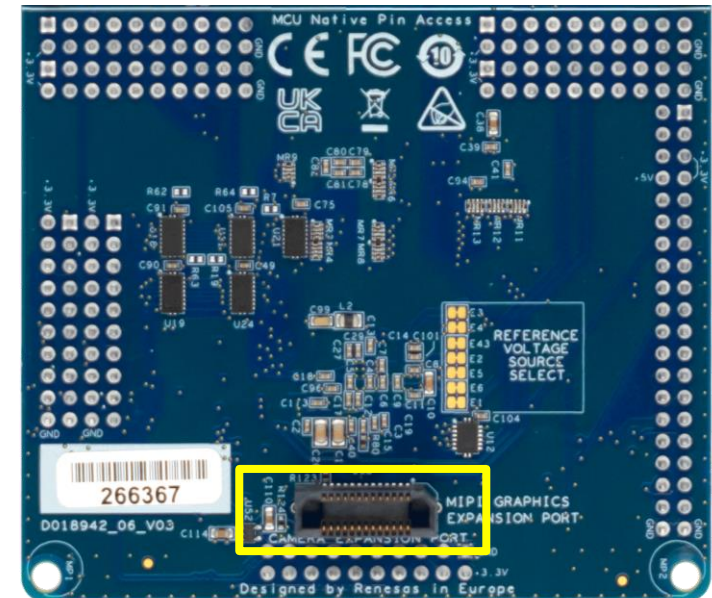
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The following special features are provided the MCU Native Pin Access Area for layer 4 optimization:

- 64 MB Octo-SPI flash
- 64 MB SDRAM
- MIPI Graphics Expansion Port
- Parallel Graphics Expansion Port
- Camera Expansion Port



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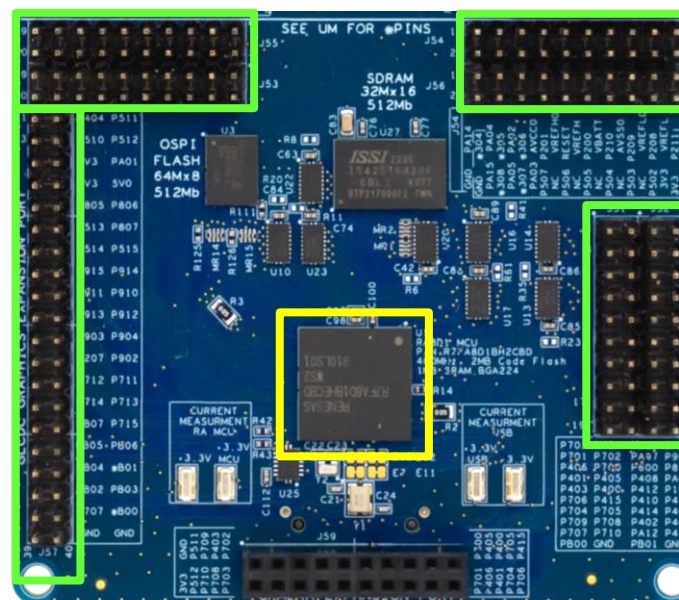
MCU NATIVE PIN ACCESS AREA

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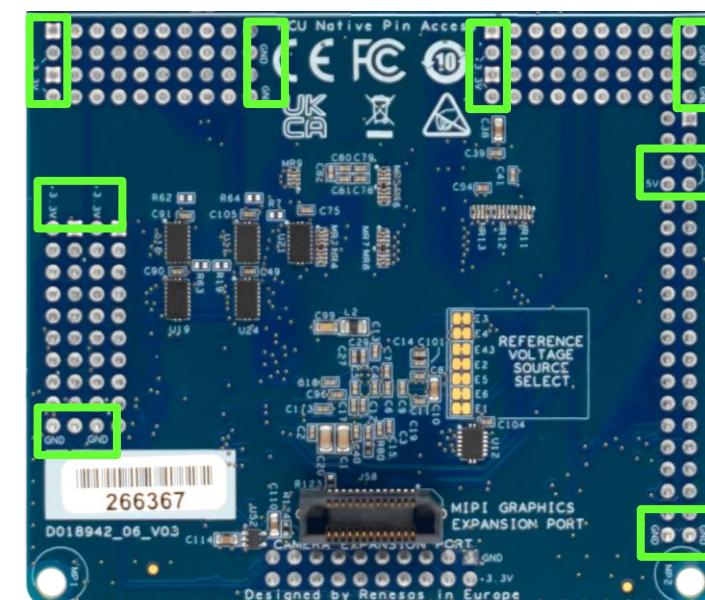
- R7FA8D1BHECBD

MCU Breakout pins

- Male headers
- 3.3 V & ground available on each header



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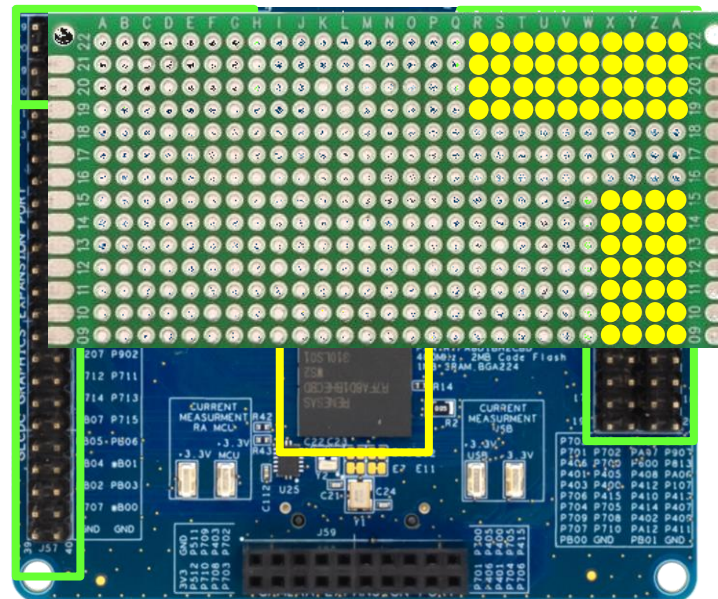
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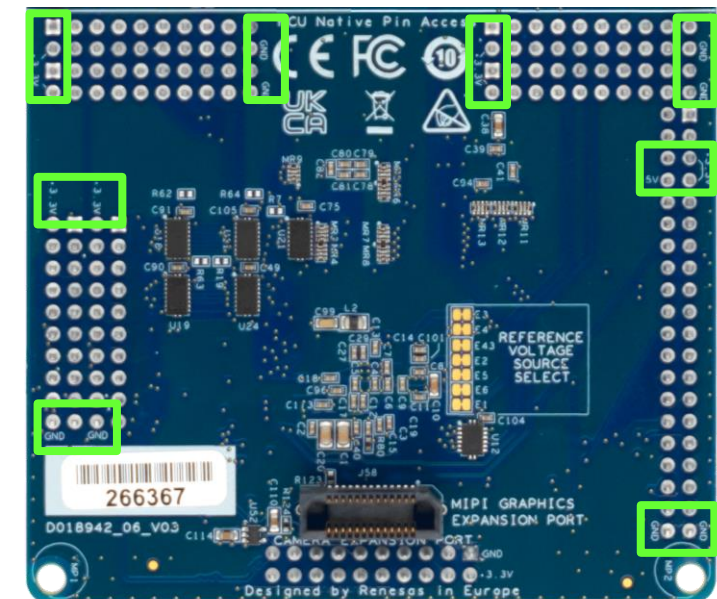
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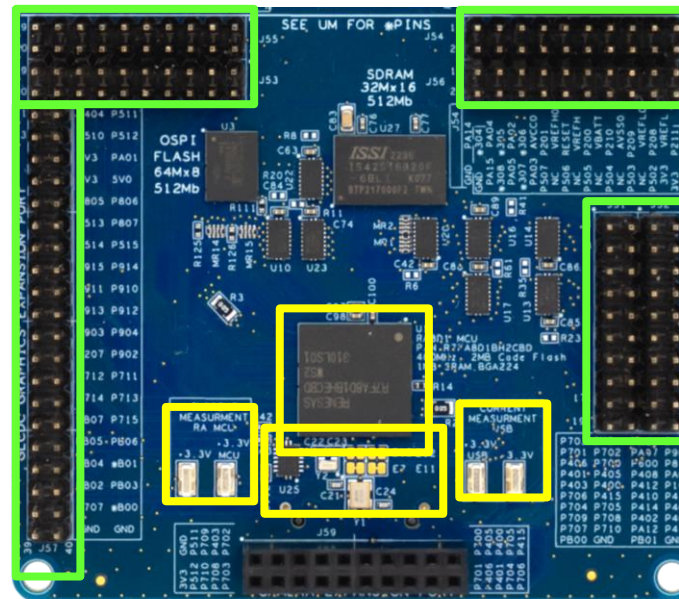
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Current Measurement

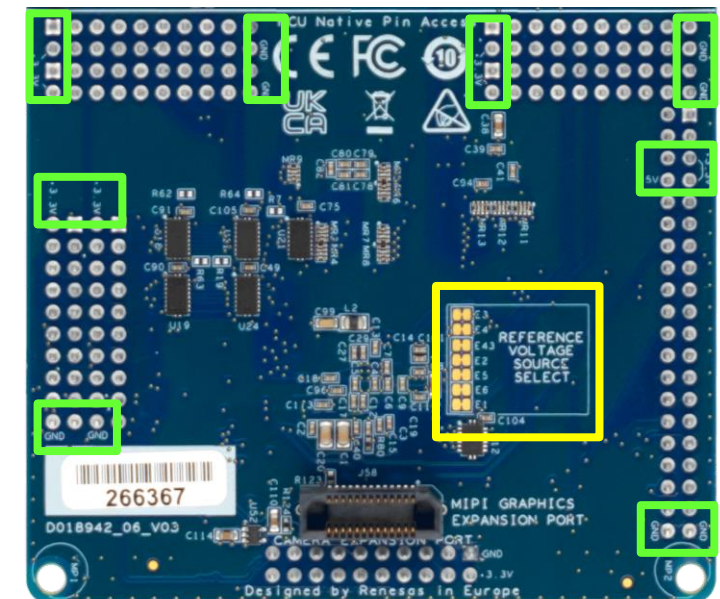
- MCU & USB current

Others

- Clock generation & source selection
- Reference voltage selection traces



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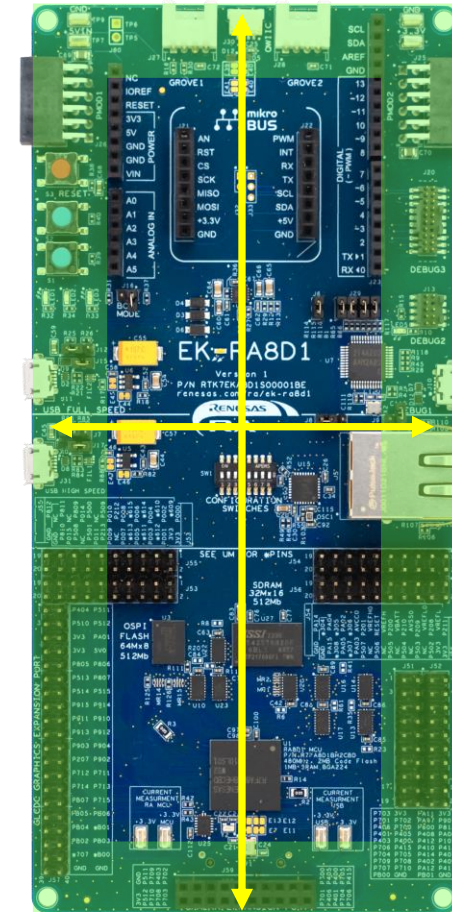


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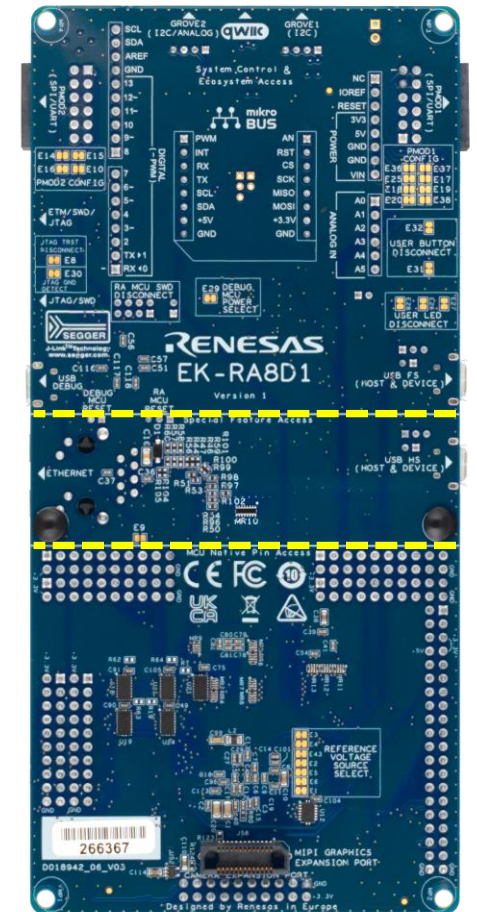
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- Design symmetry & segmentation
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- Prototyping friendly break-out connector
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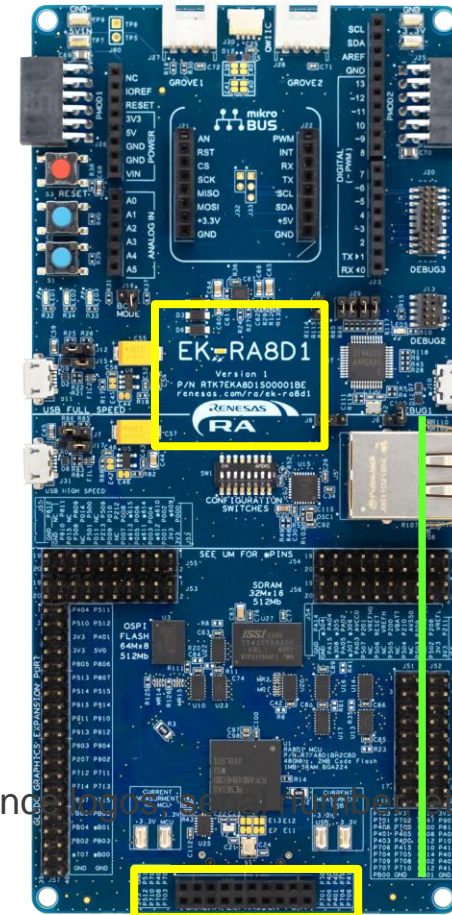
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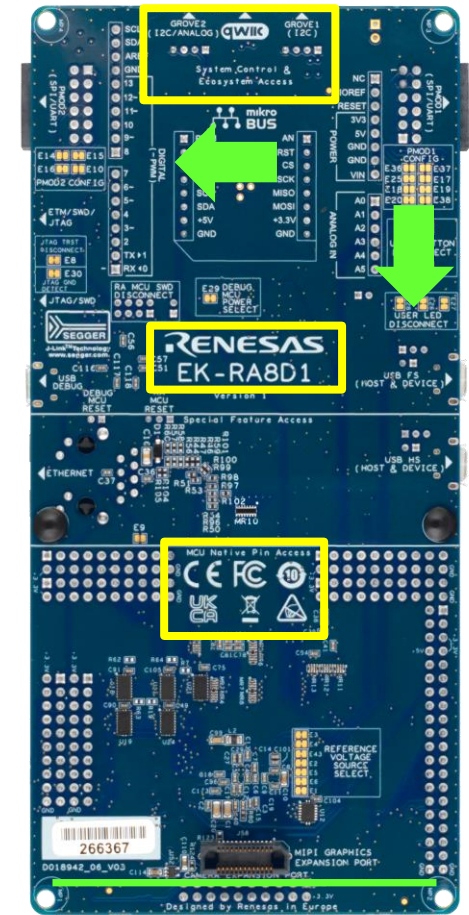
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2. “Using” & “Buying” Friendly Silk Screen

- Consistent font type & size
- Descriptive labeling
- Vertical & horizontal text alignment & rotation
- Help text – URLs, MCU & kit orderable part numbers, version number, compliance



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UX ENHACEMENTS

3. Website

- renesas.com/ra/<kitname>
- Easy to find collateral
- Easy to order – live distributor stock
- Consistently & professionally branded
- High resolution pictures

4. Print Collateral

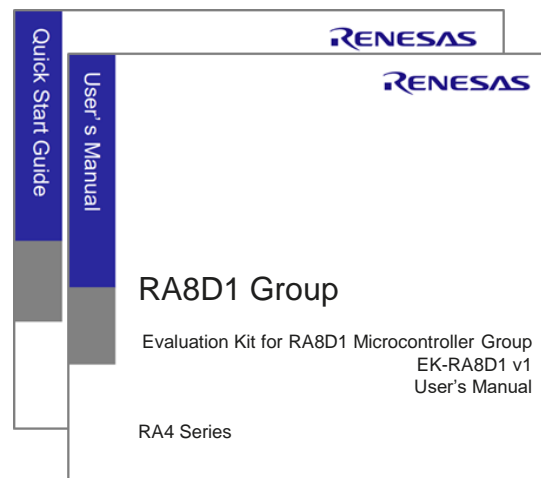
- Consistently & professionally branded
- Extensive & well-structured documentation
- Consistent & intuitive file/folder nomenclature
 - Kit name
 - Document type

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Title	Issue Revision	Doc Number	Size (KB)	Product Name
EK-RA8D1 – Quick Start Guide	Rev.1.00	RXYZ1234567	2449	EK-RA8D1
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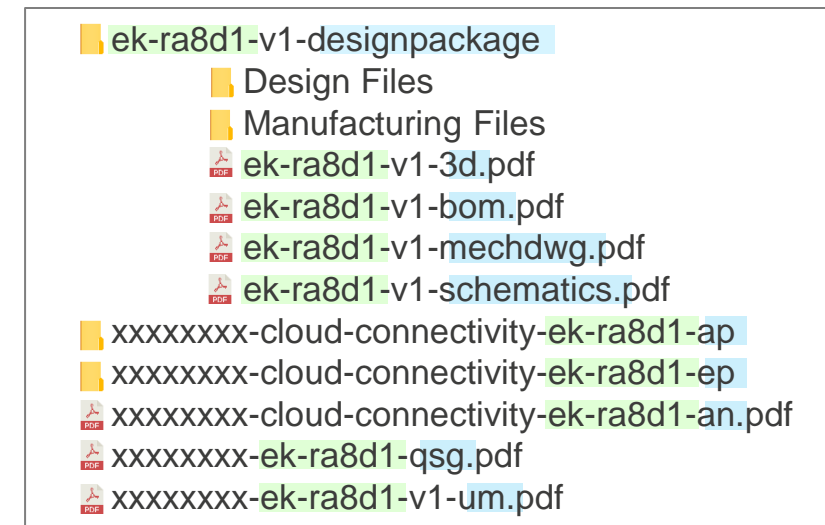
Easy to find collateral

Tools Orderable Part Number (s)	Production Status	Manufacturer	Suggested Single Tool Price	Standard Packaging Quantity	Description	Distributor Stock	Distributors	Distributor Purchase
RTK7EKA2L1S00001BE	Mass Production	Renesas	call	1	Evaluation Kit for RA8D1 MCU Group	5	Future	Buy
						5	Digi Key	Buy
						5	Mouser	Buy

Easy to order



Consistently & professionally branded documentation



Intuitive & consistent file & folder nomenclature

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5. Version Synchronization

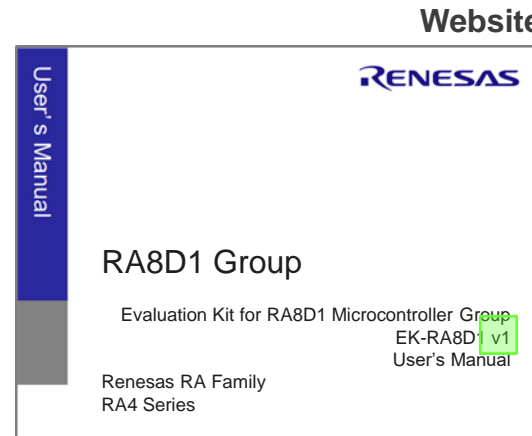
Across All Version-specific Collateral

- User's manual
- Kit board
- Orderable part number
- Packaging
- Design package
 - 3D drawings
 - BOM
 - Mechanical drawings
 - Schematics
- **Exclusions**
 - Quick start guide
- **Case-by-case exceptions**
 - Example projects
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Packaging



Website

User's manual



Kit version number & orderable part number

- ek-ra8d1-v1-designpackage
 - Design Files
 - Manufacturing Files
 - ek-ra8d1-v1-3d.pdf
 - ek-ra8d1-v1-bom.pdf
 - ek-ra8d1-v1-mechdwg.pdf
 - ek-ra8d1-v1-schematics.pdf
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All version-specific collateral

WORLD READY

Certifications

EMC/EMI Standards

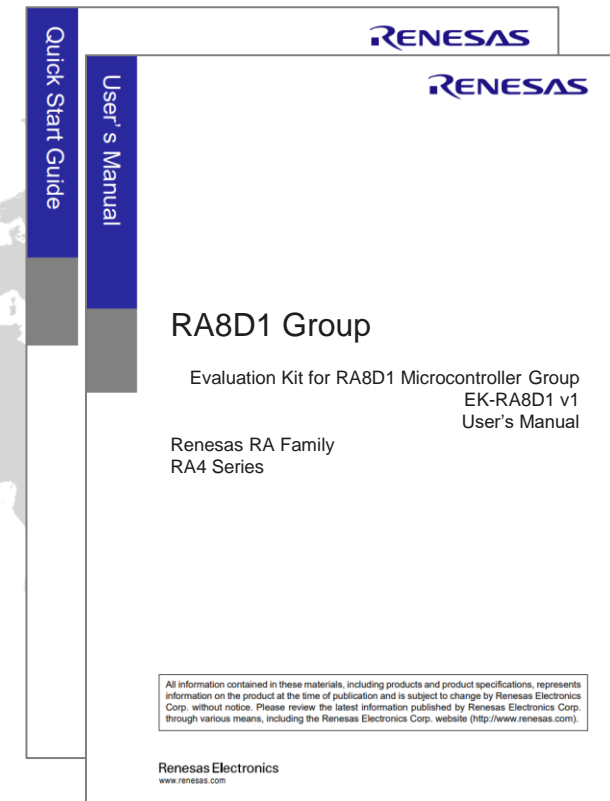
- FCC Notice (Class A) – Part 15
- Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada ICES-003
Compliance: CAN ICES-3 (A)/NMB-3(A)
- CE Class A (EMC Directive 2004/108/EEC)
- Taiwan Chinese National Standard 13438, C6357 compliance, Class A limits
- Australia/New Zealand AS/NZS CISPR 32:2015, Class A

Waste, Recycling and Material Selection

- EU RoHS
- China SJ/T 113642014, 10-year environmental protection use period

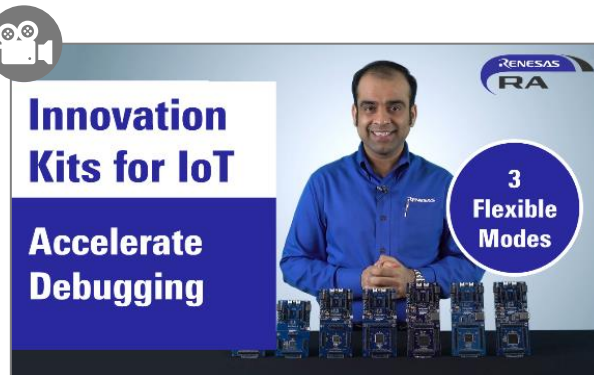
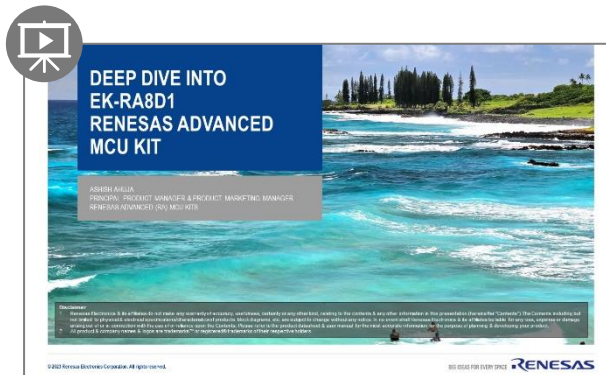
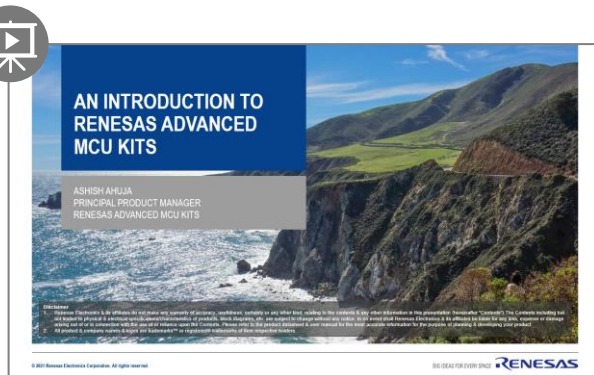
Safety Standards

- UL 94V-0



User's manual & quick start guide available in English & Japanese

TOP NOTCH COLLATERAL (PPTS, VIDEOS)



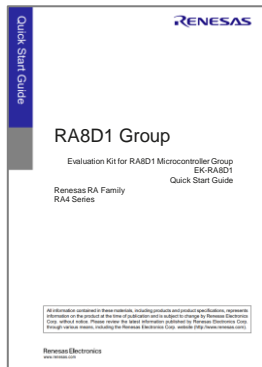
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Presentations and videos are available on renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1

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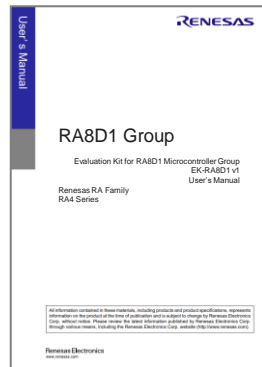
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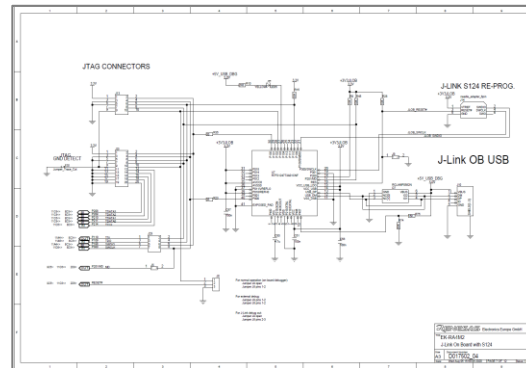
Design Package



Quick start guide

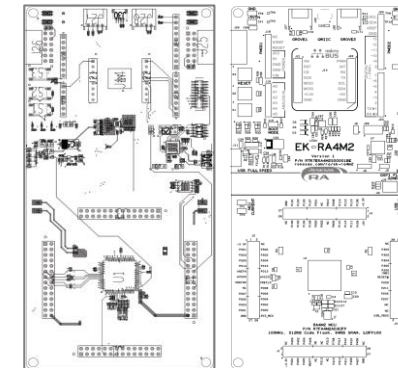


User's manual



Schematics

Bill of Materials



Design & manufacturing files



Example Projects

All items are available on [renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1](https://www.renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1)

GETTING STARTED IS EASY!

Take the guesswork out of your innovation experience for an unmatched, systematic & methodical approach to start developing

Watch the [video](#)

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Renesas website with the logo and tagline 'BIG IDEAS FOR EVERY SPACE'. It includes a search bar, a 'Smart' dropdown, and icons for a globe, shopping cart, and login. Below the navigation are links for 'PRODUCTS', 'APPLICATIONS', 'DESIGN & SUPPORT', 'BUY & SAMPLE', and 'ABOUT'. The main content area features a video player with the title 'Innovate with Renesas Advanced (RA) Microcontrollers Kits in 5 Easy Steps'. The video thumbnail shows a man in a blue shirt standing behind a table with several Renesas RA development kits. To the left of the man is a list of five steps: 1. Get your kit, 2. Familiarize with your kit, 3. Download & install software & tools, 4. Explore & customize example projects, and 5. Expand functionality. The Renesas logo is visible in the top right corner of the video player.

Click the image to watch the video

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I. Choose your favorite kit

Kit Name	Orderable Part Number	Kit Contents
EK-RA8D1	RTK7EKA8D1S01001BE	EK-RA8D1 board, MIPI Graphics Expansion Board, Camera Expansion Boards, Ethernet cable, USB device, & USB host cables

II. Order it from one of the leading global or regional distributors



Sampling of distributors

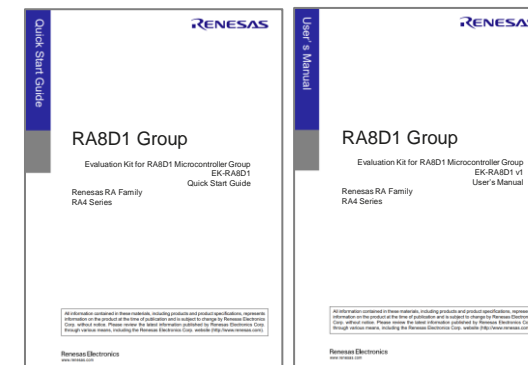
(List subject to change; please refer to [renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1](https://www.renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1) for the list of distributors stocking the kit)

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I. Get quick start guide & user's manual

Kit Name	Kit Homepage
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Quick start guide & user's manual

II. Execute the Quick Start (QS) example project (EP) that is pre-programmed on the kit



Quick Start example project

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- I. Download & install software & tools using the *FSP with e² studio installer* that includes:
 - **Flexible Software Package** – includes Hardware Abstraction Layer (HAL) drivers, Board Support Package (BSP), libraries, etc.
 - **e2 studio** – Integrated Development Environment

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- II. Need help anytime?
 - Ask questions, get answers from experts & collaborate with community renesas.com/ra/forum

GETTING STARTED IS EASY!



I. Explore & customize Quick Start Example Project

- Visit EK-RA8D1 webpage renesas.com/ra/ek-ra8d1 and scroll down to “Documentation & Downloads” section
- Download EK-RA8D1 Example Project Bundle
- Extract the downloaded file xxxx-ek-ra8d1-exampleprojects.zip
- Browse to xxxx-ek-ra8d1-exampleprojects\ek_ra8d1_quickstart\quickstart_ek_ra8d1_ep to locate the source code of the QS EP
- Refer to the quick start guide for instructions on modifying, rebuilding & programming the QS EP on your kit

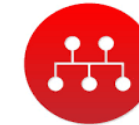
II. Explore & customize additional Example Projects

- In the EK-RA8D1 Example Project Bundle downloaded in the step above, browse to xxxx-ek-ra8d1-exampleprojects\ek_ra8d1\ to locate the example projects provided for this kit
- Open xxxx-ek-ra8d1-exampleprojects.pdf to view the list of tool chain supported for each example project and additional reference documents

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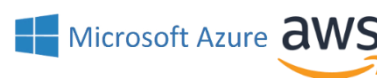
- 1 Get your kit
- 2 Familiarize with your kit
- 3 Download & install software & tools
- 4 Explore & customize example projects
- 5 Expand functionality

- I. Choose from hundreds of add-on modules from the supported ecosystems to build custom proof-of-concept hardware

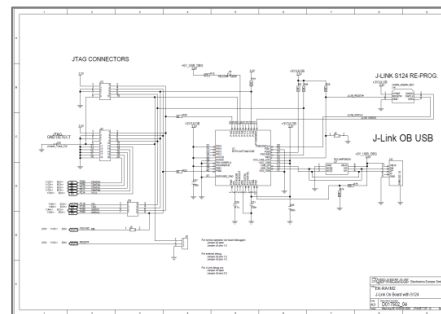


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- II. Choose from numerous software IPs from Renesas ecosystem partners for additional features

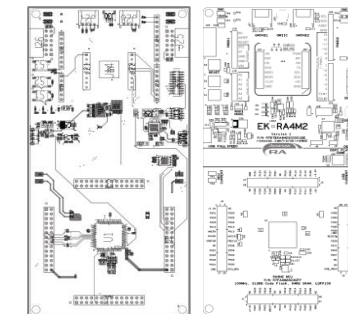


- III. Refer to the kit design package to develop your custom board with feature enhancements



Schematics

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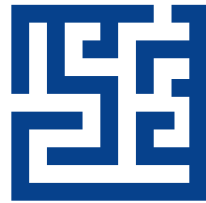
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USEFUL RESOURCES



Ordering & Documentation

User Manual, Design Package,
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