

ANALOGUE SENSOR BOARD

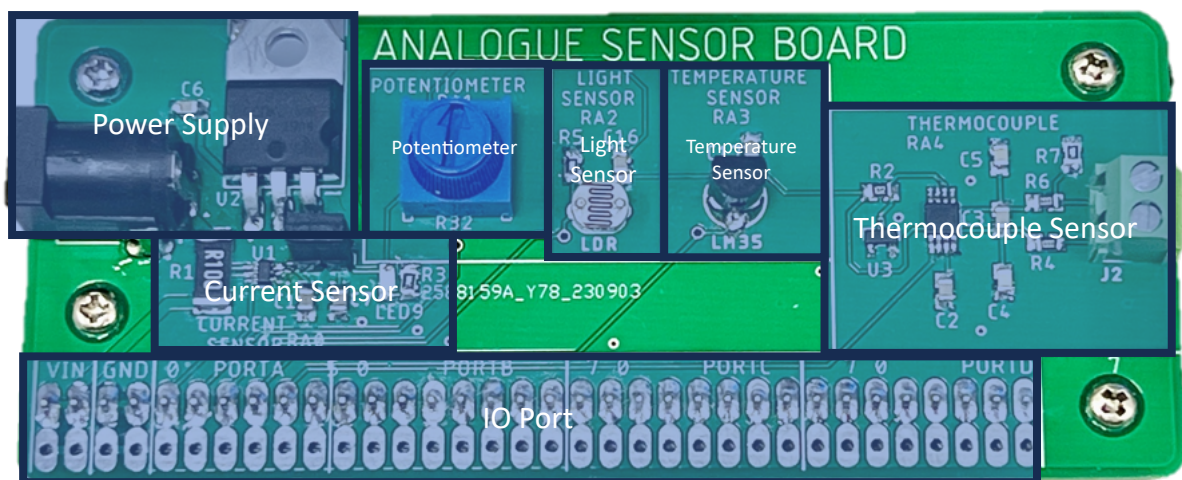
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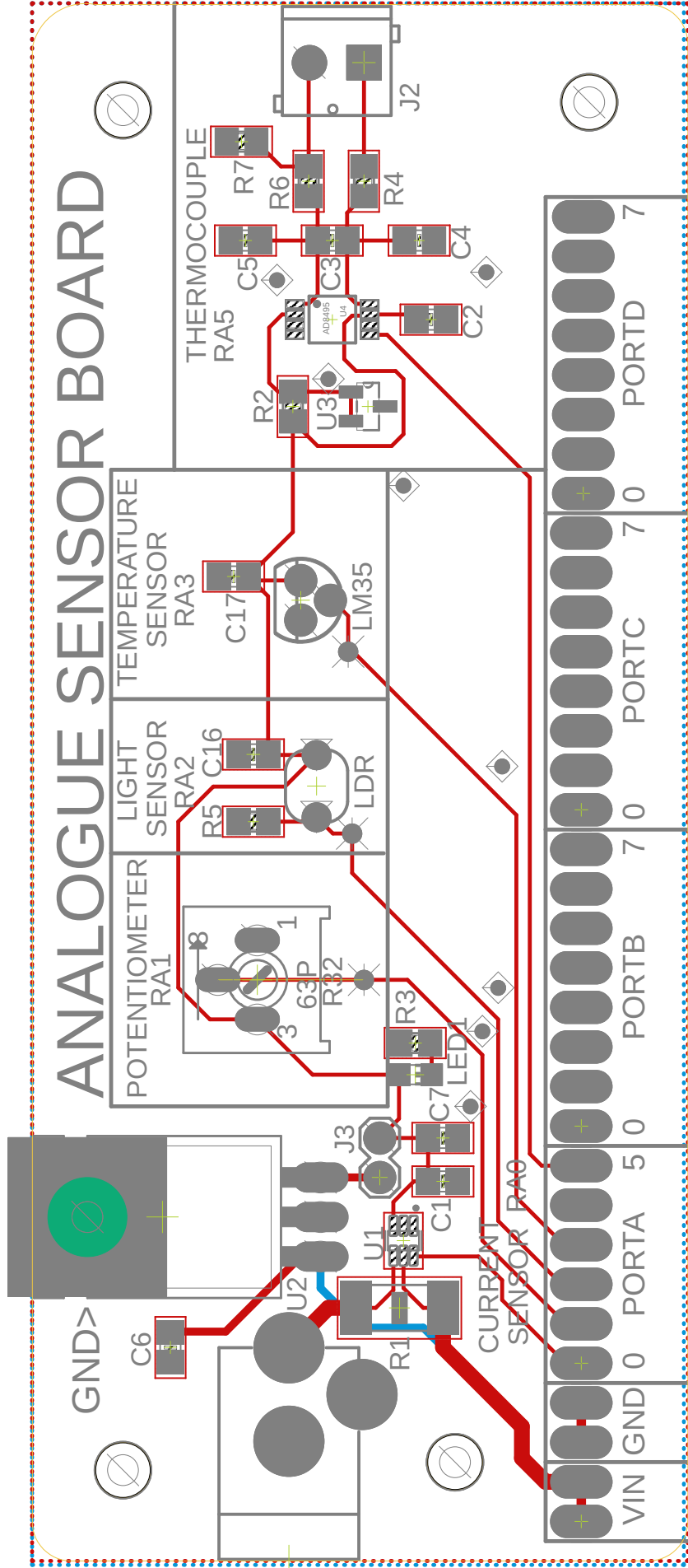
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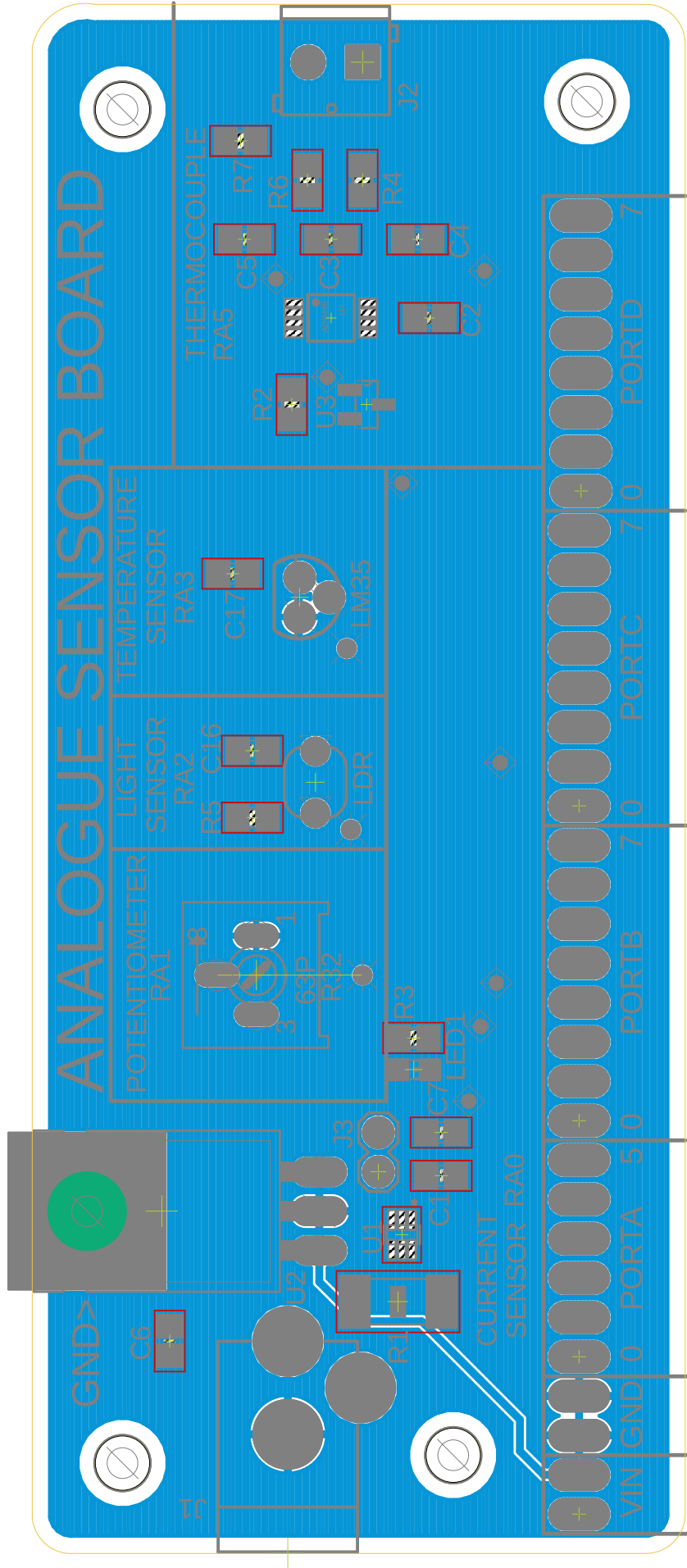
Layout



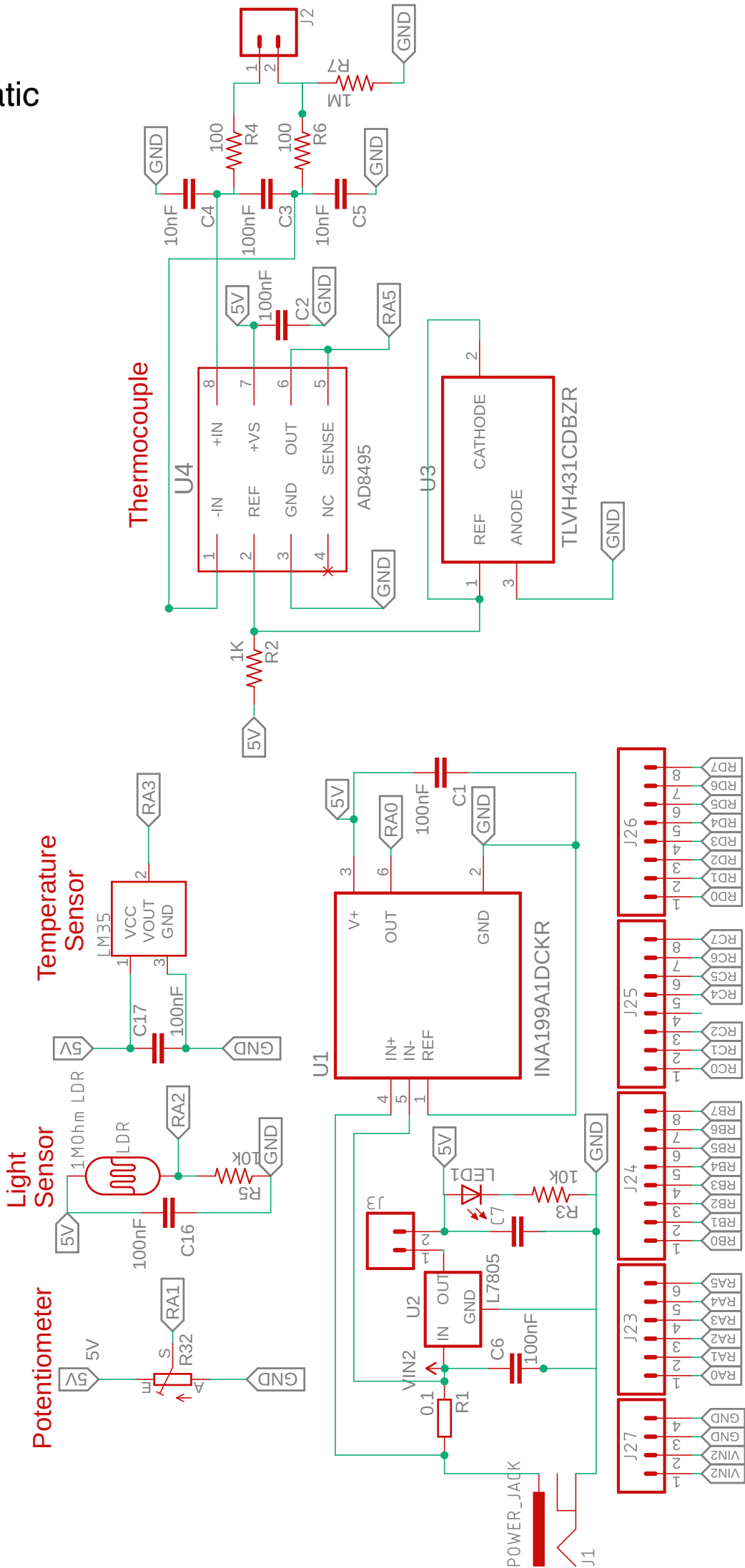
PCB Layout



PCB Bottom Layer



Schematic



PIC ADC Setup

To convert the analogue signals from the sensor board into digital form on the PIC microcontroller, The ADC must be setup correctly. The following code is for the PIC18F45K50 Microcontroller that is on the Modular PIC board. This can be placed at the start of the main loop or in a separate function which is called at the start of the main loop:

```
// Setup variable to store the data
float ADCvalue = 0.0;
// ADC conversion clock
ADCON2bits.ADCS = 0b110; // Fosc/64
// voltage reference
ADCON1bits.PVCFG = 0; // AVDD
ADCON1bits.NVCFG = 0; // AVSS
// input channel
ADCON0bits.CHS = 4; // CH4 (RA5)
// result format
ADCON2bits.ADFM = 1; // Left Justified
// acquisition delay
ADCON2bits.ACQT = 0; // Manual acquisition
// turn on ADC
ADCON0bits.ADON = 1; // Turn on ADC
// wait for acquisition
__delay_ms(1); // Delay 1ms
```

Then use the following code to retrieve the ADC output and store it in the variable ADCvalue:

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for the conversion to finish
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL);
```

The ADC channel is available on the datasheet (section 18.2) for the PIC18F45K50:

REGISTER 18-1: ADCON0: A/D CONTROL REGISTER 0							
U-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0
—			CHS<4:0>		GO/DONE	ADON	
bit 7					bit 0		
Legend: R = Readable bit W = Writable bit U = Unimplemented bit, read as '0' -n = Value at POR '1' = Bit is set '0' = Bit is cleared x = Bit is unknown							
bit 7	Unimplemented: Read as '0'						
bit 6-2	CHS<4:0>: Analog Channel Select bits						
	00000 = AN0						
	00001 = AN1						
	00010 = AN2						
	00011 = AN3						
	00100 = AN4						
	00101 = AN5 ⁽¹⁾						
	00110 = AN6 ⁽¹⁾						

Current sensor:
ADCON0bits.CHS = 0;

Potentiometer:
ADCON0bits.CHS = 1;

Light sensor:
ADCON0bits.CHS = 2;

Temperature sensor:
ADCON0bits.CHS = 3;

Thermocouple sensor:
ADCON0bits.CHS = 4;

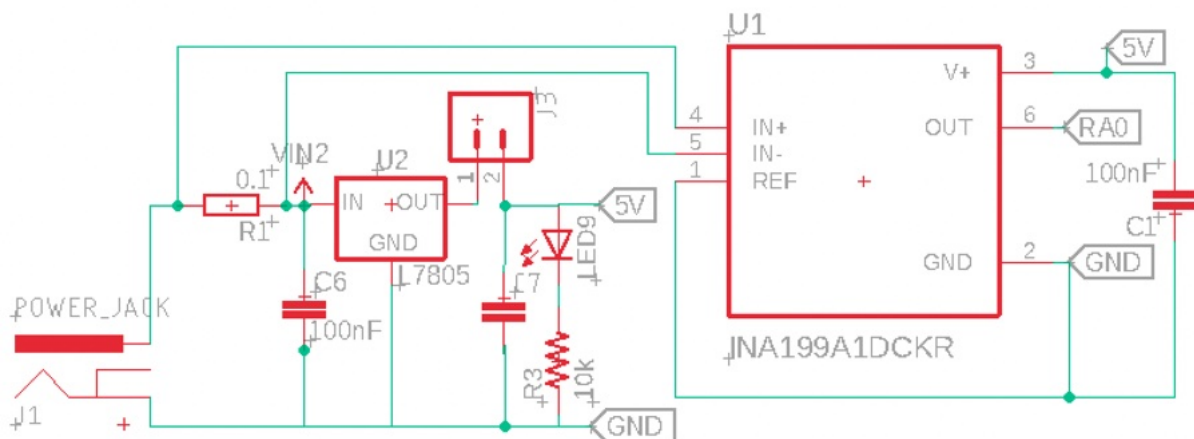
Power supply

The purpose of the built in power supply is to power the sensors and allow the user to monitor the power consumption of their project. More information on this can be found in the current sensor section of this document.

The analogue sensor board can be powered via the built in power supply or the GPIO headers. If you want to use the GPIO headers, the main PIC board must be powered via the DC input to provide power to this board. To use the current sensor, this board and the PIC board must be powered by the DC input on the analogue sensor board.

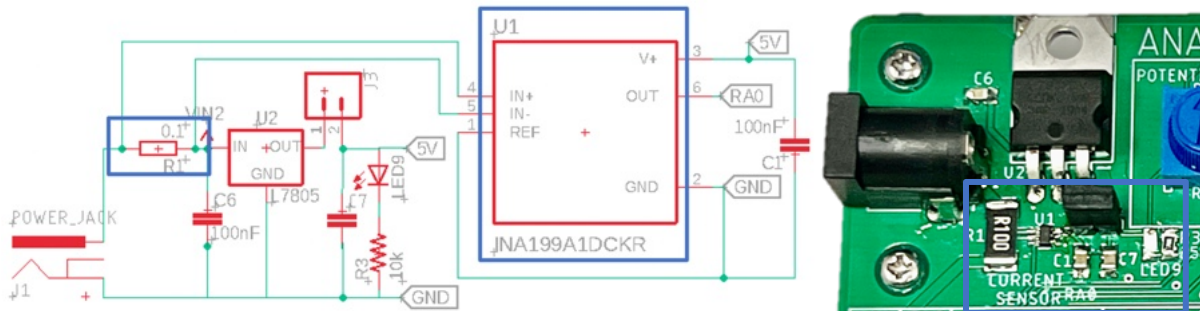
The Built in power supply requires a 2.1mm centre positive DC jack power supply that can provide 7-18V DC power with a minimum of 0.1 Amps, more power may be required for the add-on boards and accessories.

LED9 will illuminate if the 5V rail is working correctly.



Current Sensor

The current sensor utilises a 0.1Ohm 2W resistor and a INA199 Amplifier to enable the user to monitor the current coming through the analogue sensor board's power supply. This will output an analogue voltage on RA0 (ADCON0bits.CHS = 0) relative to the current.

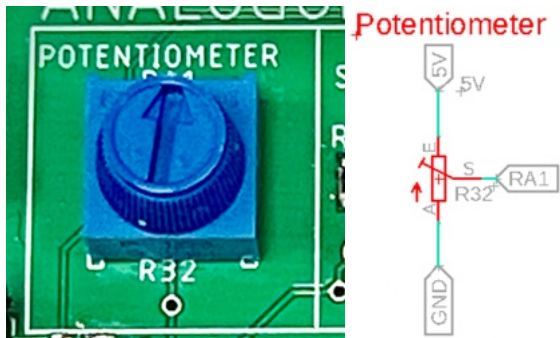


The raw ADC value will output the current in milliamps. To convert this to Amps, multiply the ADC value by 0.001.

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for conversion
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL) * 0.001;
```

Potentiometer

The blue dial generates a simple analogue voltage that can be easily varied by the user between 0V and 5V. The output voltage of the potentiometer will output on RA1 (ADCON0bits.CHS = 1).

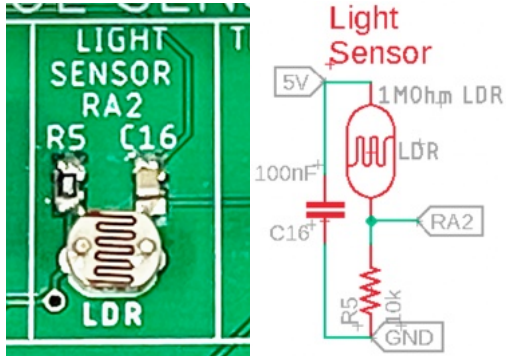


When read by the ADC on the PIC, the value will range from 0-1023. This can be converted into 0-100% by multiplying the ADC result by 0.098.
 $100 \div 1023 = 0.098$

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for conversion
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL) * 0.098;
```

Light Sensor

The light sensor can measure the ambient light and can be varied by either covering or applying extra light to it. The output voltage of the light sensor will output on RA2 (ADCON0bits.CHS = 2).



When read by the ADC on the PIC, the value will range from 0-1023. This can be converted into 0-100% by multiplying the ADC result by 0.098.

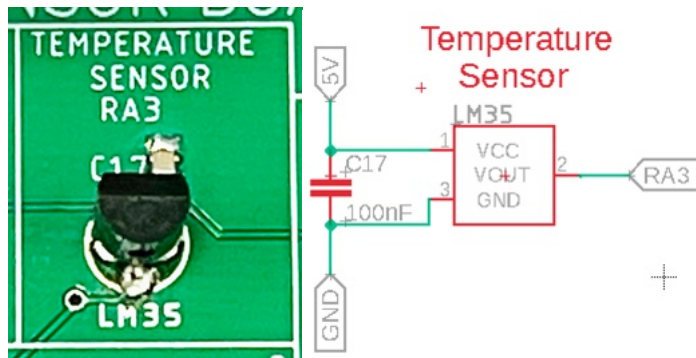
$$100 \div 1023 = 0.098$$

$$512 \times 0.098 = 50.176 \approx 50\%$$

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for conversion
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL) * 0.098;
```

Temperature Sensor

The temperature sensor measures the ambient temperature. The output voltage of the temperature sensor will output on RA3 (ADCON0bits.CHS = 3).



When read by the ADC on the PIC, the value will range from 0-1023. This can be converted into Centigrade by multiplying the ADC result by 0.489

Convert the voltage range into millivolts

$$5v * 1000 = 5000mV$$

Divide the millivolt range by the 10-bit ADC to get the millivolt per bit

$$5000 \div 1023 = 4.8875855327$$

The LM35 temperature sensor converts temperature to voltage like this:

$$10mV \text{ Per } ^\circ C$$

$$10mV \times 20^\circ C = 200mV$$

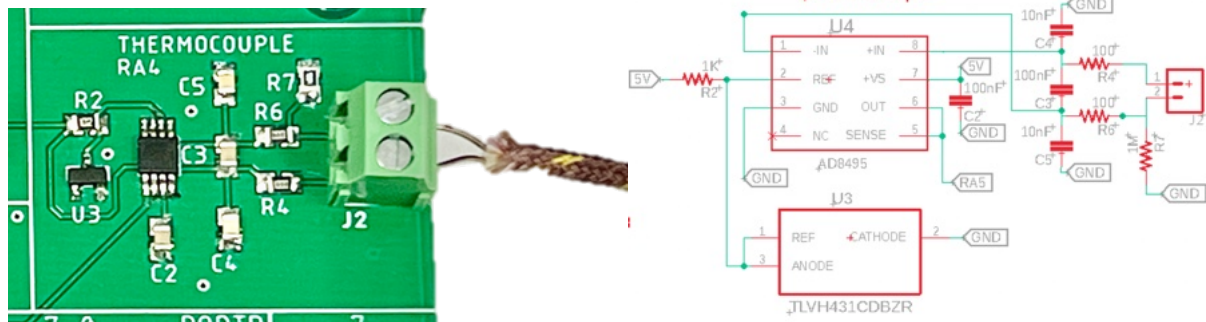
$$200 \div 4.89 = 40.92$$

$$40.92 \times 0.489 = 20^\circ C$$

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for conversion
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL) * 0.489;
```


Thermocouple Sensor

The thermocouple sensor uses a K-Type thermocouple connected into J2. This enables the user to precisely measure temperature at the weld on the end of the thermocouple. The output voltage of the thermocouple sensor will output on RA5 (ADCON0bits.CHS = 4).



To read the temperature on the ADC we need to do a conversion.

Divide the voltage range by the 10-bit ADC to get the volts per bit

$$5 \div 1023 = 0.0048875855327$$

The ADC output will need to be multiplied by this to convert it into volts

The thermocouple sensor converts temperature to voltage like this:

$$\frac{(V_{out} - 1.25)}{0.005} = \text{Temperature in Celsius}$$

Here is the complete equation:

$$\frac{(ADC * 0.00488) - 1.25}{0.005} = \text{Temperature in Celsius}$$

For example:

$$\frac{(277 * 0.00488) - 1.25}{0.005} = 20.352^{\circ}\text{C}$$

```
// Start ADC conversion
ADCON0bits.GO = 1;
// wait for conversion
while(ADCON0bits.GO);
// read ADC
ADCvalue = (((ADRESH << 8 | ADRESL)*0.00488) - 1.25) / 0.005;
```