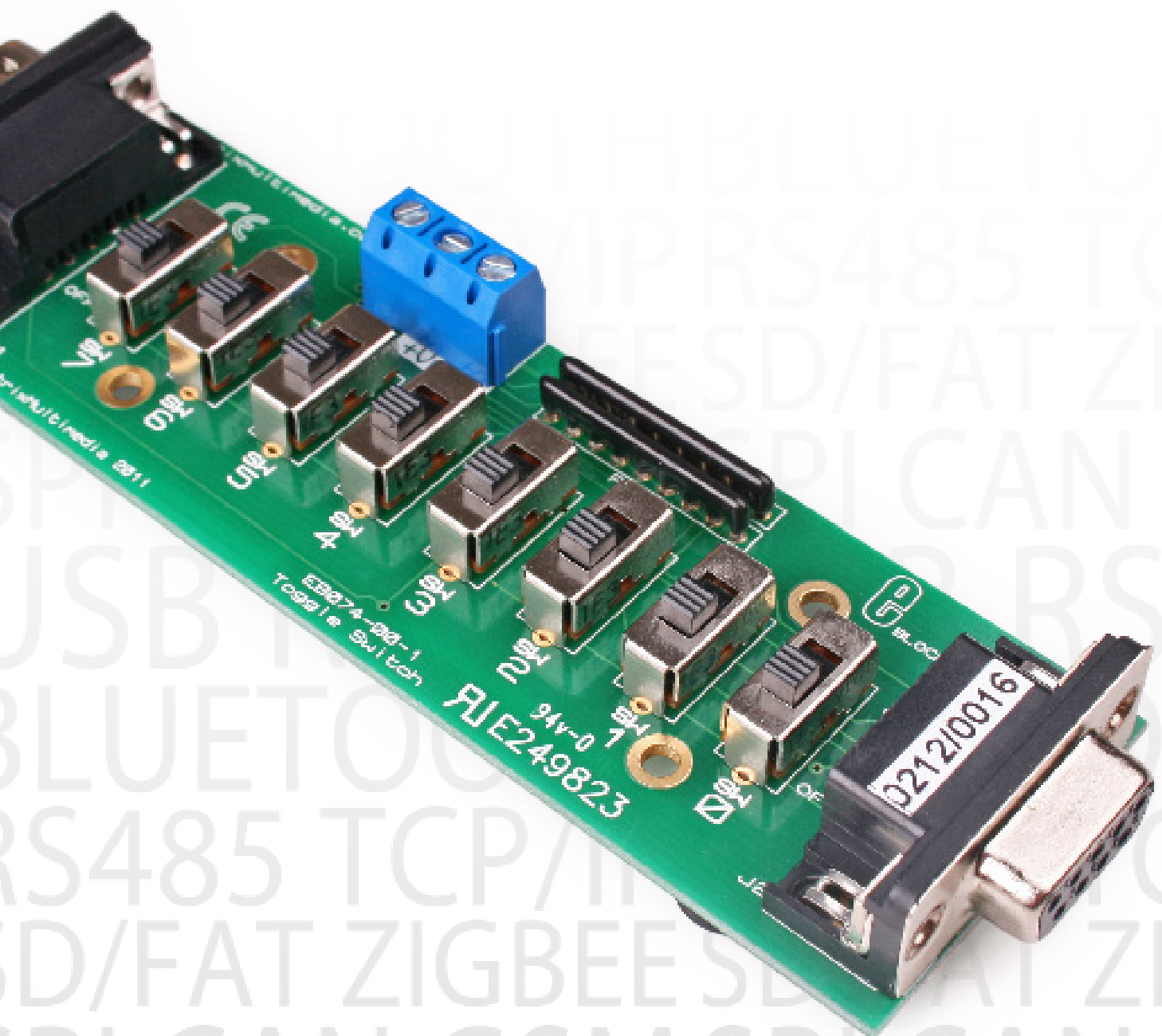


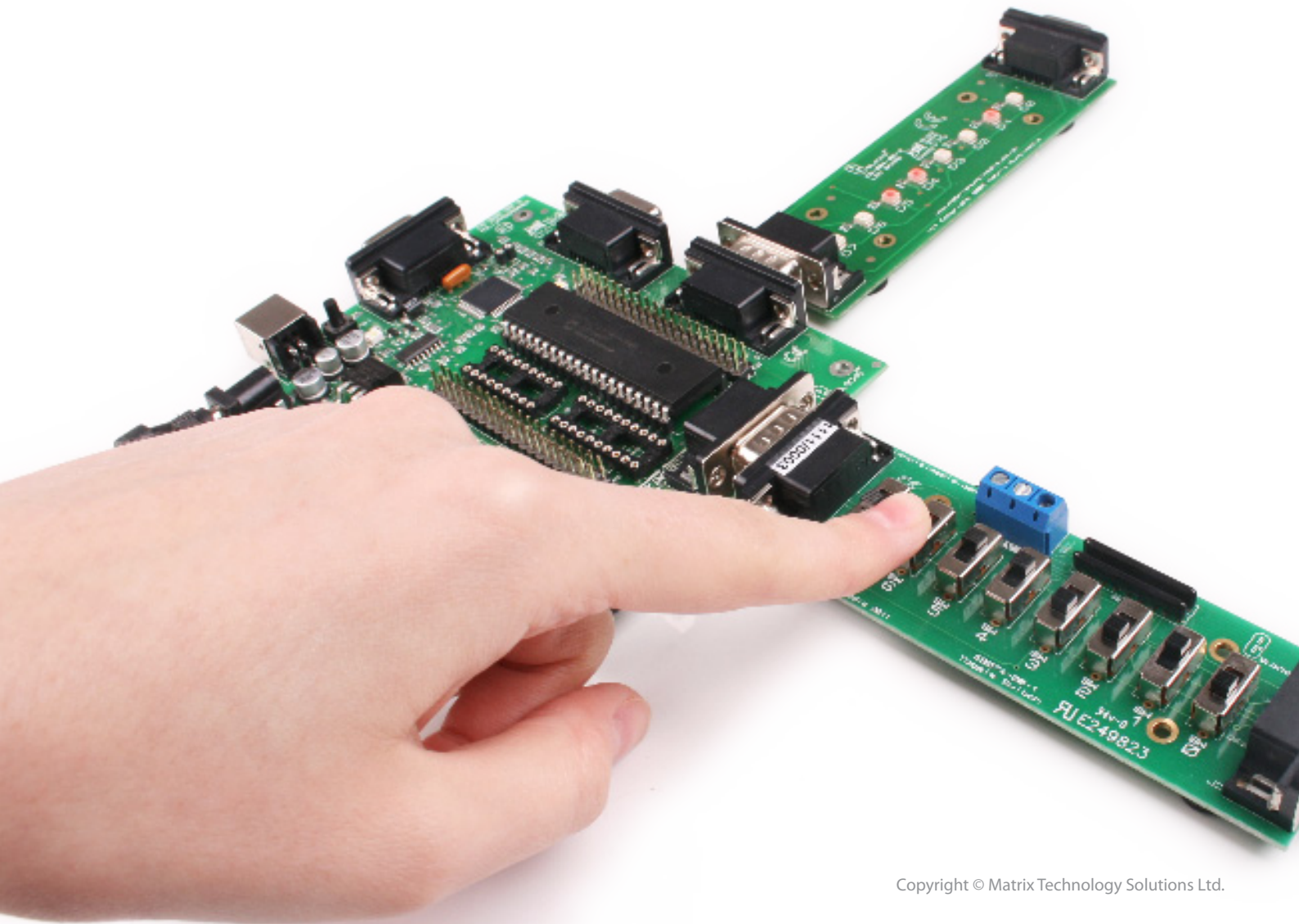
EBLOCKS[®]

Toggle switch board



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About this document

This document concerns the EB074 E-blocks toggle switch board.

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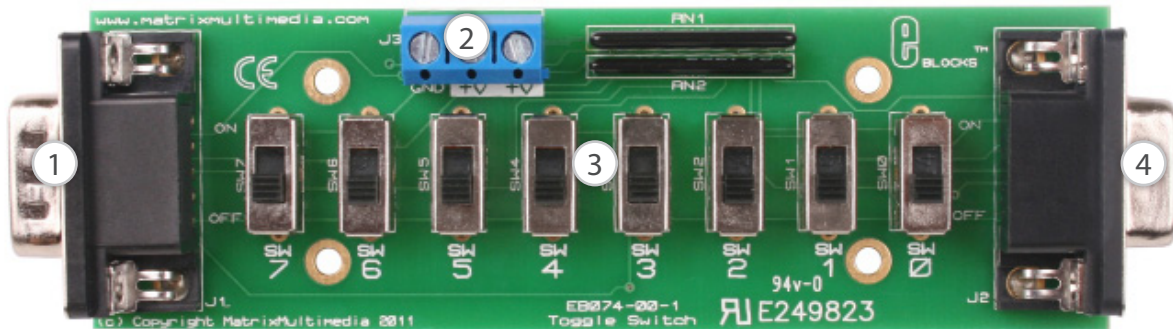
for all E-blocks, which can be found in the Support section of the website.

4. Product support

If you require support for this product then please visit the Matrix website, which contains many learning resources for the E-blocks series. On our website you will find:

- How to get started with E-blocks - if you are new to E-blocks and wish to learn how to use them from the beginning there are resources available to help.
- Relevant software and hardware that allow you to use your E-blocks product better.
- Example files and programs.
- Ways to get technical support for your product, either via the forums or by contacting us directly.

Board layout



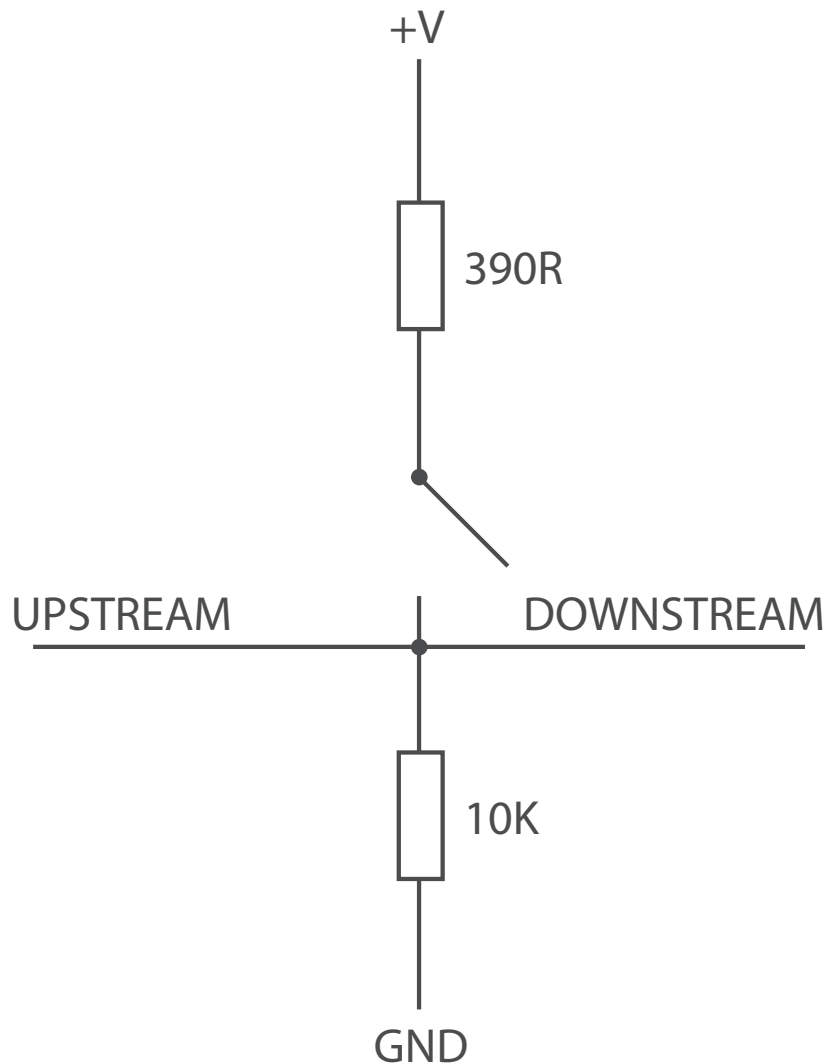
1. 9-way D-type plug
2. Screw terminals
3. 8 x switches
4. 9-way D-type socket

General information

This toggle switch board is part of the E-blocks range. The board allows you to connect up to 8 switches to any of the I/O ports on the E-blocks multiprogrammer board. The standard 9-way D-type connector associated with E-blocks makes the upstream and downstream connection. Further E-blocks can be connected to this E-block. The two D-type connectors provide a bus system that enables 'clean' access to all I/O lines. A +5 volt or +3.3 volt connection is required to enable the switching from logic level 0 (0V) to logic level 1 (+5V / +3.3V). Connecting a wire using the screw terminal blocks provided on most E-block boards makes this easily achievable.

1. Features

- E-blocks compatible
- Compatible with most I/O ports in the E-block range (up to 8 I/O lines via 9-way D-type connectors)
- Upstream and downstream D-type connectors
- 3.3 voltage compatible



Circuit description

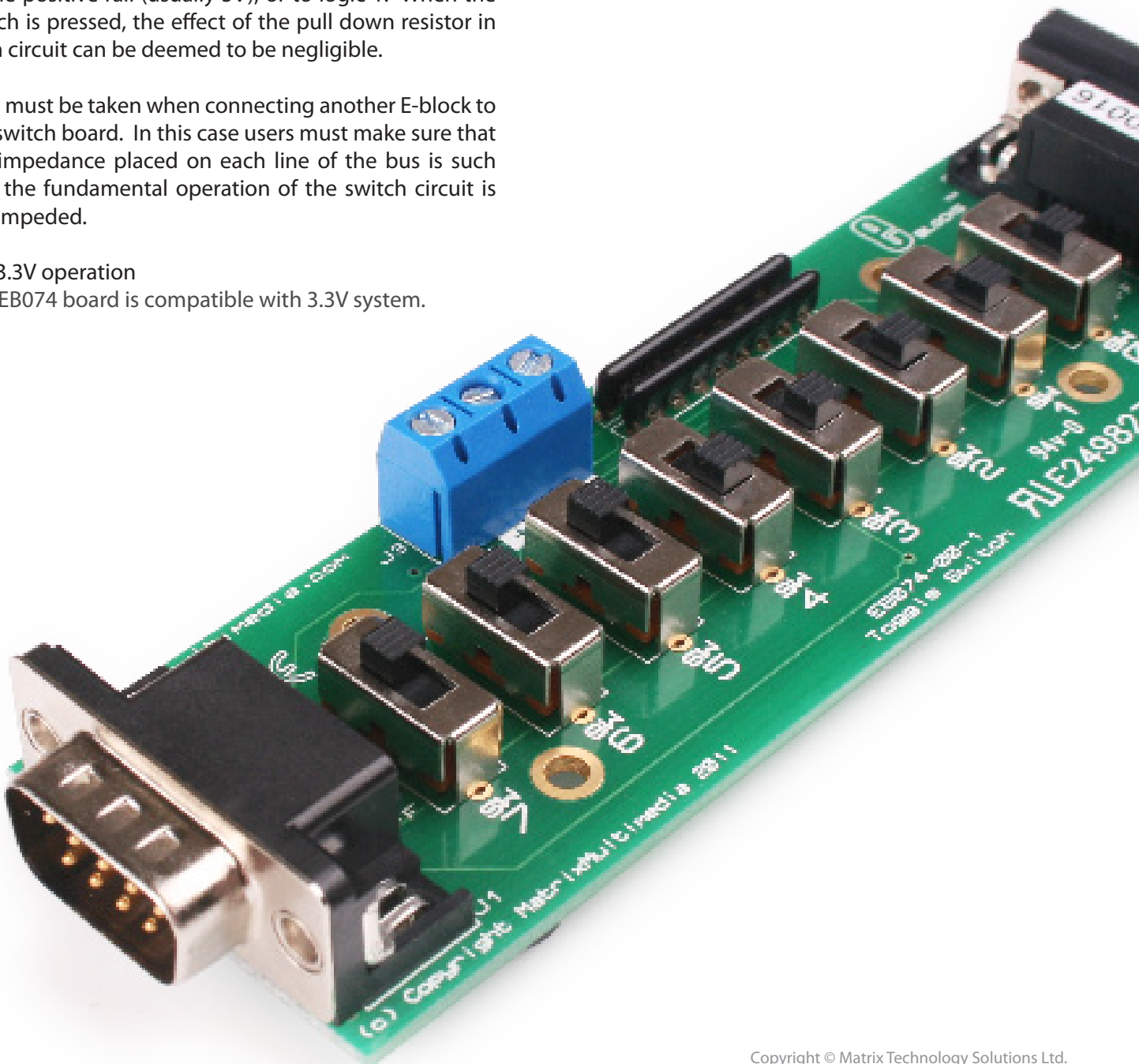
The circuit board consists of 8 digital inputs on a downstream 9-way D-type plug. This routes each bit of the bus to an identical switch circuit and to a 9-way D-type socket that can be used for adding further E-blocks in a bus configuration.

This board assumes that to operate correctly each input on the upstream processor board will be configured as a high impedance input. With this in mind each circuit consists of a 'pull down' resistor which, when the switch is open circuit, ensures a logic level 0 at the output from the switch board and into the processor input pin. When a switch is pressed then the output from the switch board is effectively connected via a 390 ohm resistor to the positive rail (usually 5V), or to logic 1. When the switch is pressed, the effect of the pull down resistor in each circuit can be deemed to be negligible.

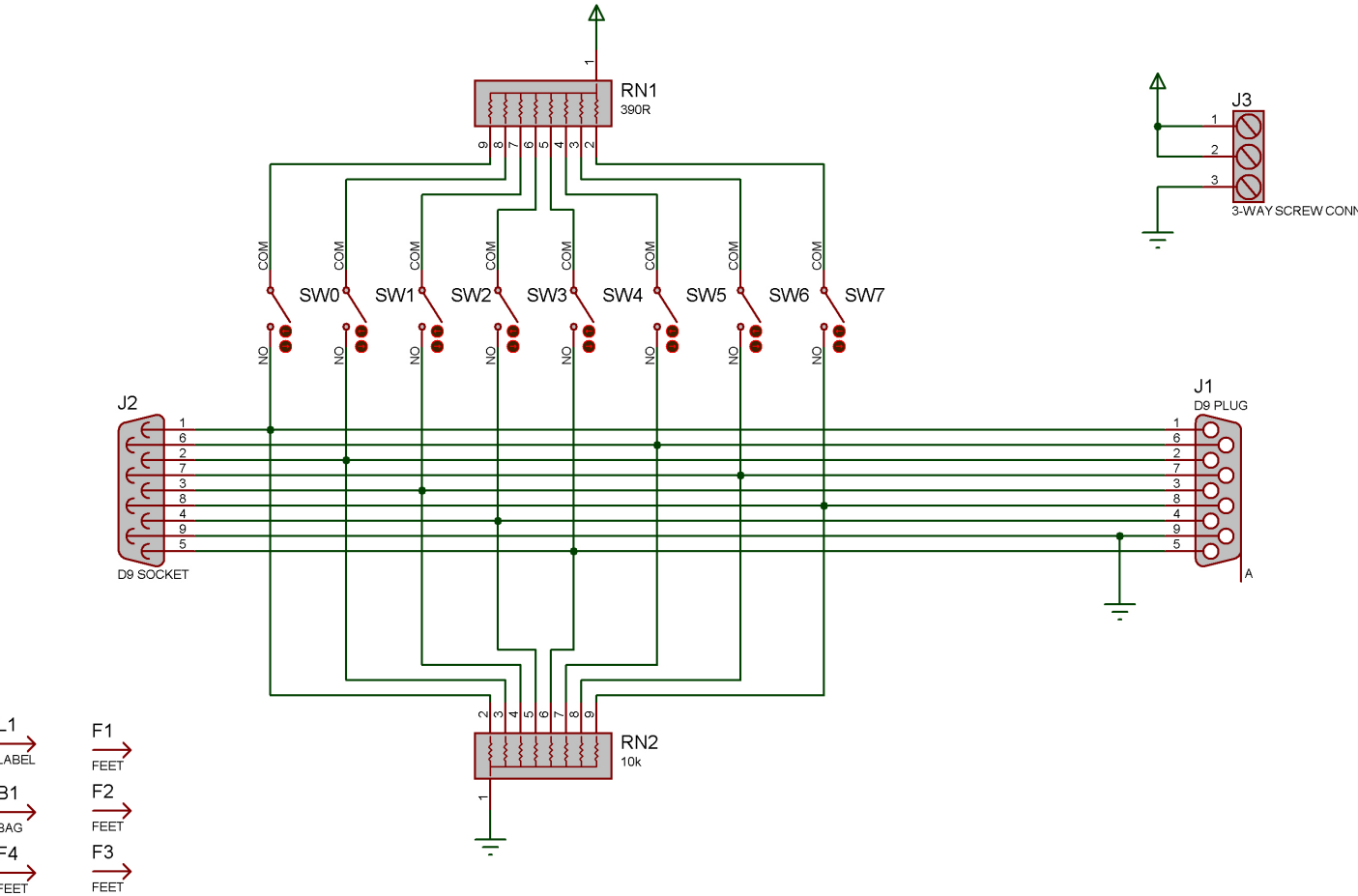
Care must be taken when connecting another E-block to the switch board. In this case users must make sure that the impedance placed on each line of the bus is such that the fundamental operation of the switch circuit is not impeded.

1. 3.3V operation

The EB074 board is compatible with 3.3V system.



Circuit diagram





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