

# AFE4300: Analog Front End for Body Composition / Weigh Scales



# Introduction

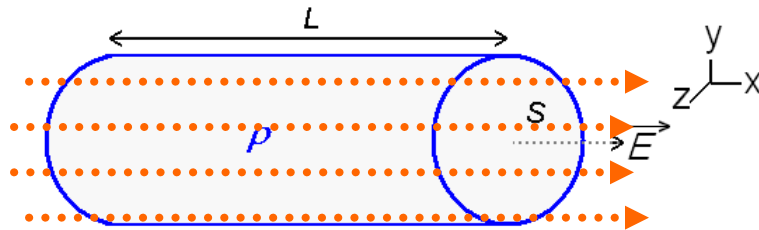
- Purpose
  - To introduce TI's AFE4300 for body composition / weigh scale applications
- Objectives
  - To discuss AFE4300's features and benefits
- Content
  - Bio-Impedance measurement & its applications
  - Body Composition Measurements
    - Parameters
    - Methods
    - Estimators
    - Sensors
    - Instrumentation
  - AFE4300 : Integrated AFE for Body composition measurements
  - Evaluation Module and wireless demo

# What is Bio-Impedance Measurement?

- Measurement of passive electrical properties of biological materials.
- Non-invasive, non destructive technique
- High sensitivity, low specificity
- Low cost

# Electrical impedance of Biological Materials

- Intrinsic material properties + geometrical factors



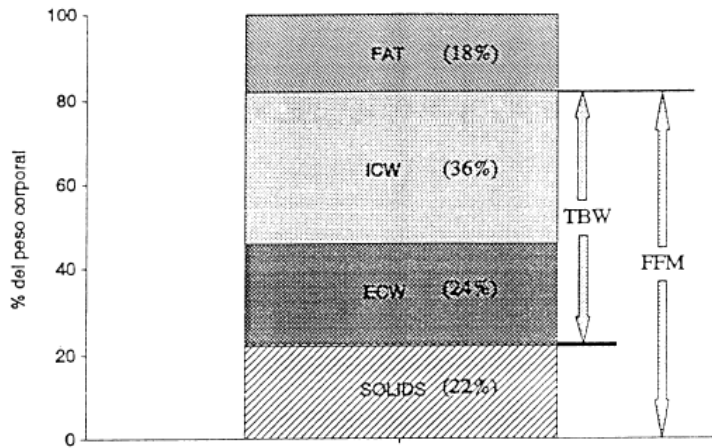
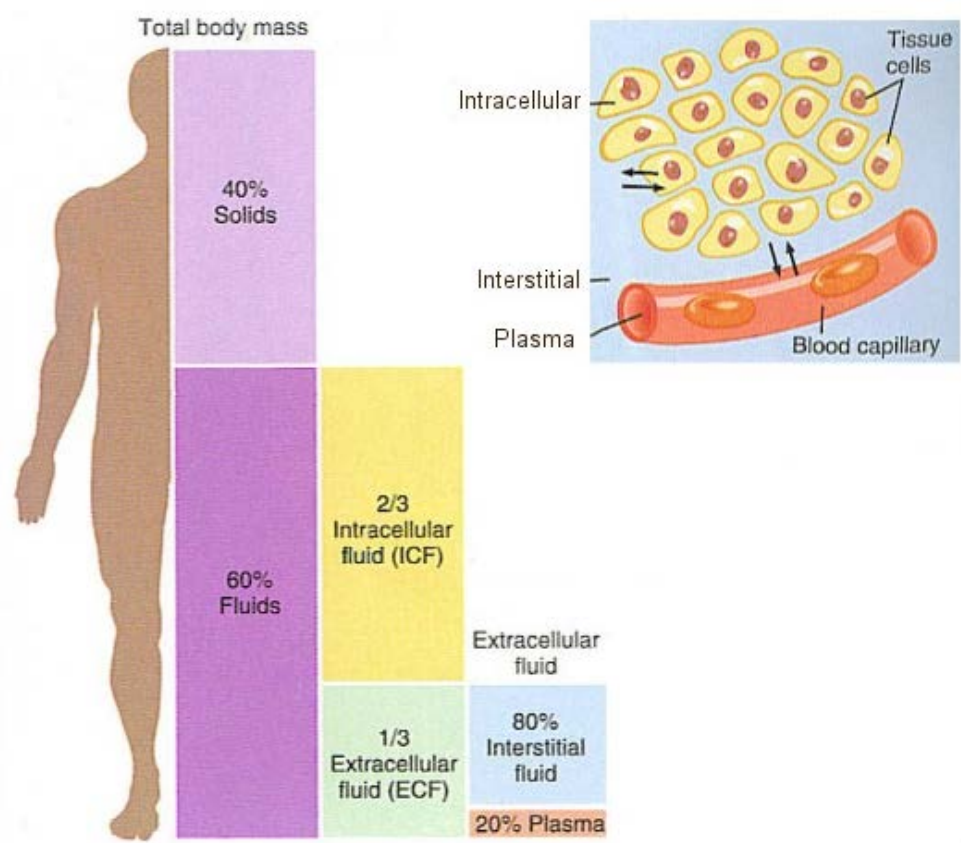
$$Z = \rho^* \cdot \frac{L}{S} = \frac{1}{\sigma + j\omega\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{L}{S}$$

- We can detect macroscopic changes due to
  - Dimensions (volume changes)
  - Composition (cell type, size, density, homogeneity)
  - Fluids (accumulation, shift)

# Applications for Bio-Impedance Analysis

- **Detection of volume changes (Respiration with Impedance pneumography, apnea detection)**
- **Tissue characterization (Ischemia detection : lack of oxygen)**
- **Cell culture monitoring**
- **Electrical Impedance Tomography**
- **Measurement of body composition**

# Measurement of Body Composition



**TBW** Total Body Water

**ICW** Intracellular Water

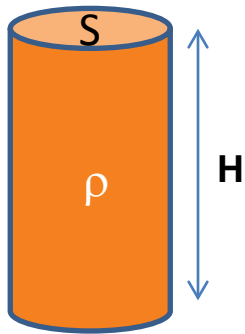
**ECW** Extracellular Water

**FFM** Fat-Free Mass

**FM** Fat Mass

# Body composition characterization by impedance measurement

- Basic approach



$$R = \rho \frac{H}{S}$$

$$V = H \cdot S$$

$$V = \rho \frac{H^2}{R}$$

Conducting  
volume: TBW

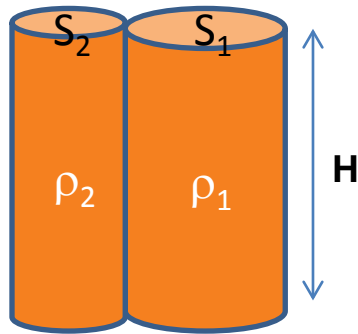
- Given a hydration coefficient of 73%,  $\text{FFM} = \text{TBW}/0.73$
- The body is not a cylinder and is not homogeneous:

$$\text{TBW} = k_1 \frac{H^2}{R} + k_2$$

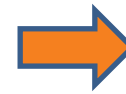
$$\text{TBW} = k_1 \frac{H^2}{R} + k_2 W + k_3$$

# Body composition characterization by impedance measurement .. cont

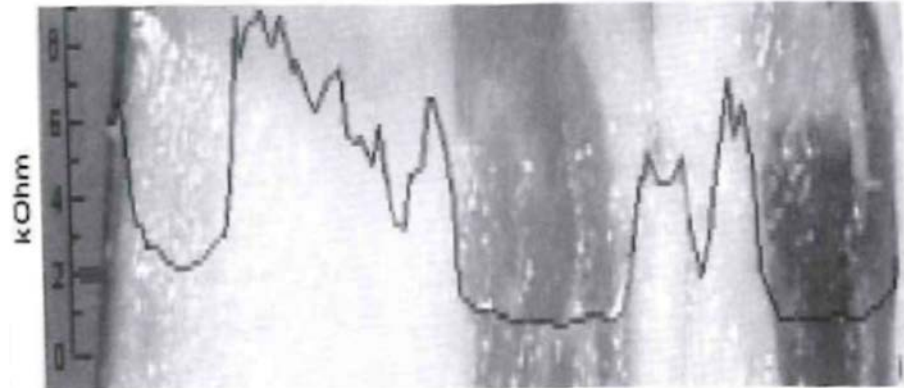
- The fat has much lower conductivity than the other tissues: double compartment model



$$R = R_1 || R_2 \approx R_1$$



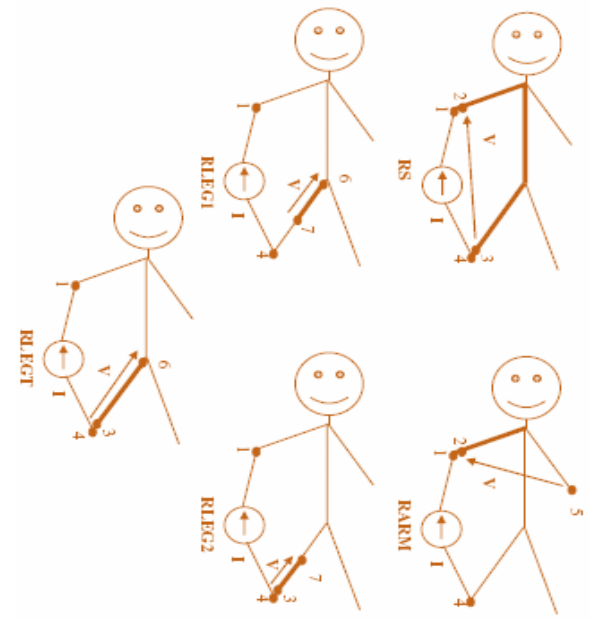
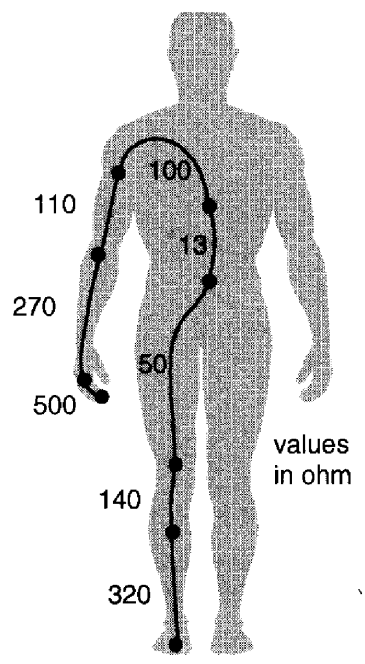
$$FM = W - FFM$$





# BCM Measurement methods

- Segmental impedance analysis



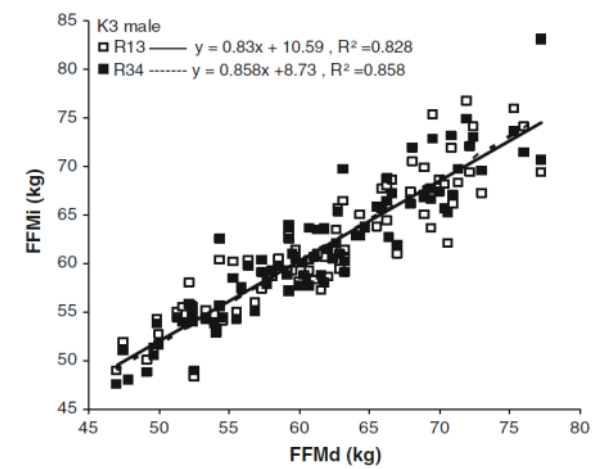
Hand to Hand, Foot to Foot,  
Hand to Foot measurements

# Measurement of Body Composition

- Basic measurement approaches and estimators are enough for normally hydrated subjects
  - They give large errors in subjects with fluid and electrolyte abnormalities (dialysis, pregnant, children, elderly, ...)
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- High-end medical devices need more accurate measurement methods and estimators
  - Several low-end home scales provide advanced estimators

# Advanced Estimators

Boy fat-free-mass (FFM) is generally calculated by a linear regression of height, weight, and age, which is determined by comparison with dual X-ray absorptiometry (DXA) or Deuterium dilution or densitometry (under water weighing)



## Determination of FFM

$$FFM = a_1 H^2 / R + b_1 W + c_1 (Age) + C_{t1}$$

or

$$FFM = a_2 H^2 / R + b_2 W + c_2 (Age) + d_2 X + C_{t2}$$

X reactance

## Determination of FM

a, b, c, d coefficients

$$FM = W - FFM$$

Ct constant

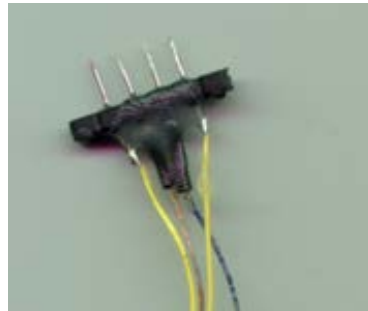
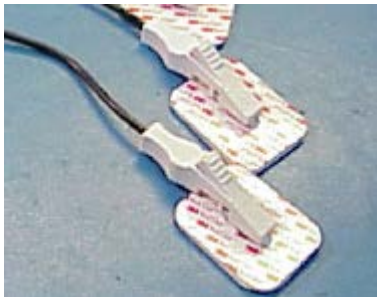
# Advanced Estimators – Published Equations

Table 1 Bioelectrical impedance analysis equation reported in the literature since 1990 for fat-free mass (FFM) classified according to subject category (adult, elderly, overweight) and standard error of the estimate (SEE).

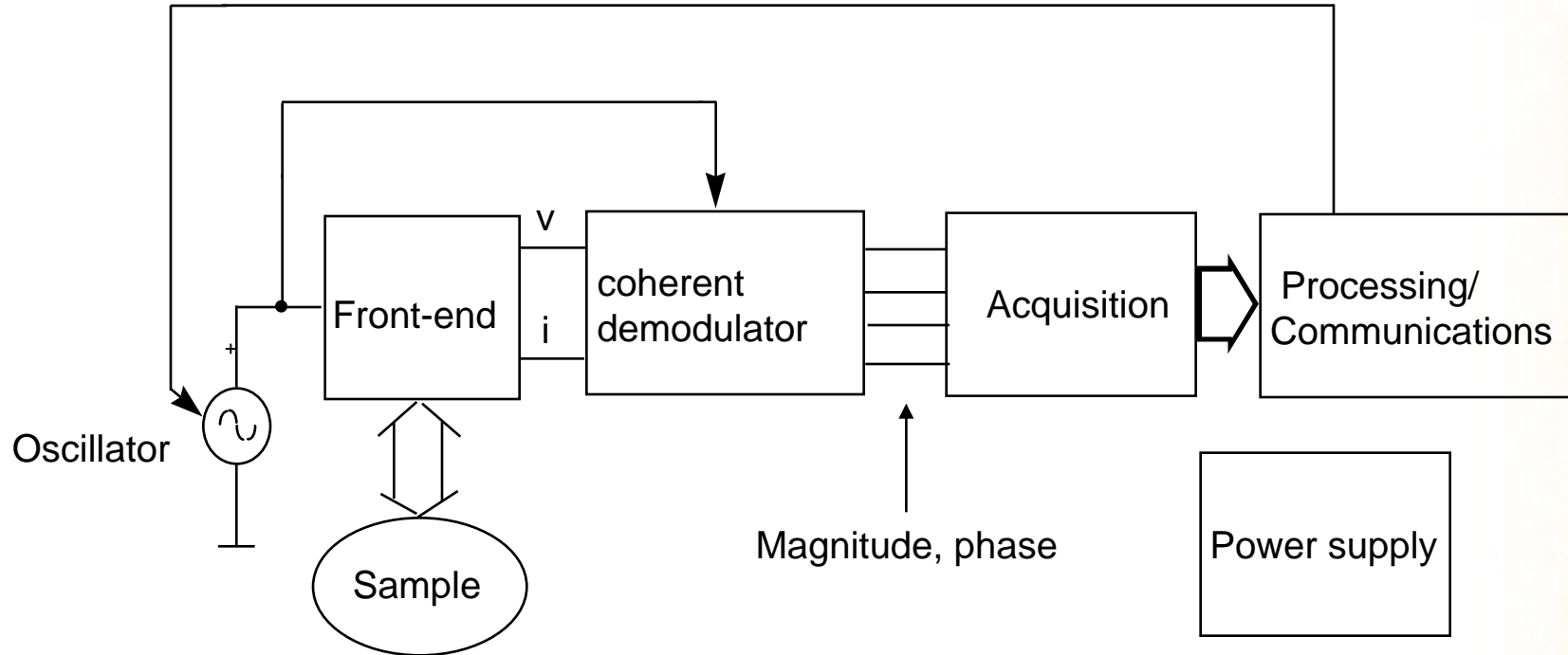
| Population                 | Source                                  | n    | Criterion measure   | Equation   | r <sup>2</sup> | SEE*                    | BIA instrument |
|----------------------------|---|------|---|--|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Adults</b>              |   |      |   |  |                |                         |                |
| Healthy subjects, 18–94 yr | Kyle et al. <sup>74</sup>               | 343  | DXA   | $-4.104 + 0.518 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.231 \text{weight} + 0.130 \text{Xc} + 4.229 \text{sex}$                                 | 0.97           | 1.8                     | Xitron         |
| Healthy adults, 18–29 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 153  | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Women = $5.49 + 0.476 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.295 \text{weight}$  | NR             | 2.1                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy adults, 30–49 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 122  | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Women = $11.59 + 0.493 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.141 \text{weight}$   | NR             | 2.5                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy, ethnic divers     | Kotler et al. SF parallel <sup>58</sup> | 126  | DXA   | Women = $+0.07 + 0.88 (\text{Ht}^{1.97}/Z_{50}^{0.49}) + (1.0/22.22) + 0.081 \text{weight}$                                    | 0.71           | 6.56% ( $\approx 2.6$ ) | RJL-101        |
| Healthy subjects, > 16 yr  | Deurenberg et al. <sup>76</sup>         | 661  | Multi-C, <sup>87</sup> densitometry <sup>86,†</sup>       | $-12.44 + 0.34 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.1534 \text{height} + 0.273 \text{weight} - 0.127 \text{age} + 4.56 \text{sex}$           | 0.93           | 2.6                     | RJL-101        |
| Healthy subjects, 12–71 yr | Boulier et al. <sup>6</sup>             | 202  | Densitometry  | $6.37 + 0.64 \text{weight} + 0.40 \text{Ht}^2/Z_{1 \text{MHz}} - 0.16 \text{age} - 2.71 \text{sex}$ (men = 1, women = 2)       | 0.92           | 2.6                     | IMP BO-1       |
| Women 18–60 yr             | Stolarczyk et al. <sup>77</sup>         | 95   | Multi-C <sup>8</sup>                                      | $20.05 - 0.04904 R_{50} + 0.001254 \text{Ht}^2 + 0.1555 \text{weight} + 0.1417 \text{Xc} - 0.0833 \text{age}$                  | 0.75           | 2.6                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy adults, 50–70 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 72   | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Women = $6.34 + 0.474 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.180 \text{weight}$  | NR             | 2.8                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy adults, 18–29 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 153  | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Men = $5.32 + 0.485 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.338 \text{weight}$  | NR             | 2.9                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy subjects, 12–94 yr | Sun et al. <sup>70</sup>                | 1095 | Multi-C   | Women: $-9.529 + 0.696 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.168 \text{weight} + 0.016 R_{50}$  | 0.83           | 2.9*                    |                |
| Healthy, ethnic divers     | Kotler et al. SF parallel <sup>58</sup> | 206  | DXA   | Men = $+0.49 + 0.50 (\text{Ht}^{1.48}/Z_{50}^{0.55}) + (1.0/1.21) + 0.42 \text{weight}$  | 0.92           | 5.45% ( $\approx 3.2$ ) | RJL-101        |
| Healthy adults, 30–49 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 111  | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Men = $4.51 + 0.549 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.163 \text{weight} + 0.092 \text{Xc}$  | NR             | 3.2                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy subjects, 35–65 yr | Heitmann <sup>78</sup>                  | 139  | Multi-C, <sup>88</sup> <sup>3</sup> H <sub>2</sub> O, TBK | $-14.94 + 0.279 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.181 \text{weight} + 0.231 \text{height} + 0.064 (\text{sex weight}) - 0.077 \text{age}$ | 0.90           | 3.6                     | RJL-103        |
| Healthy adults, 50–70 yr   | Lohman <sup>75</sup>                    | 74   | Densitometry <sup>85,†</sup>                              | Men = $-11.41 + 0.600 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.186 \text{weight} + 0.226 \text{Xc}$  | NR             | 3.6                     | Valhalla       |
| Healthy subjects, 12–94 yr | Sun et al. <sup>70</sup>                | 734  | 4 compart   | Men: $-10.678 + 0.652 \text{Ht}^2/R_{50} + 0.262 \text{weight} + 0.015 R$  | 0.90           | 3.9*                    | RJL-101        |

# BCM Instrumentation: Sensors

- **Electrodes: Interface between the measurement system and the biological material**
  - **Electrochemical electrodes Ag-AgCl (body applications)**
  - **Capacitive coupling metallic surface-tissue (samples, home applications)**



# BCM Instrumentation: Block Diagram



# AFE4300

## Weight Scale / Body Composition Analog Front End

### Features

#### Weigh Scale

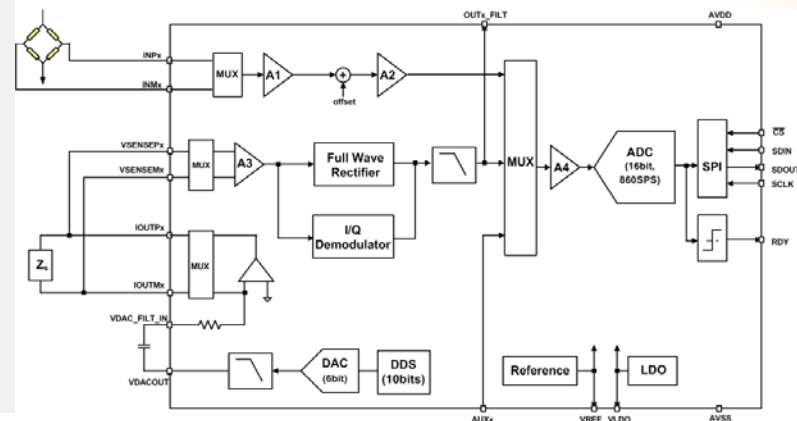
- Supports four bridge inputs
  - 1.7V, 20mA LDO single output with enable/disable (50ms switching time).
  - Voltage tied to ADC reference (ratio-metric).
- IA amplifier internal feedback resistors trimmed to +/-5%.
- Gain setting through single external resistor.
- 58nVrms input referred noise from 0.1Hz to 2Hz
- 6b, +/-6.5uA offset correction DAC.

#### Body Composition

- Supports three tetra-polar impedance measurements
- Supports complex impedance measurement
  - 6b, 1MSPS sine wave generation DAC with integrated pattern memory (DDS).
  - 100KHz 2nd order low pass filter.
  - 375uArms +/-20%1 source.
  - 0.1Ω measurement rms noise in 2Hz BW
  - Supply current: 400uA (without output current).
- Supports SFBIA, MFBIA,
  - 16-Bit, 860SPS, ADC multiplexing between
  - 2V to 3.6V supply and Low Power

### Benefits

- Easy way to add BMI to weigh scale end equipment
  - faster customer time to market
  - design without in-house expertise
- Improved accuracy vs Discrete solutions
- Segmental BIA for better body part specific measurements
- Eliminates electrode impedance related inaccuracies
- Low power enhances battery lifetime

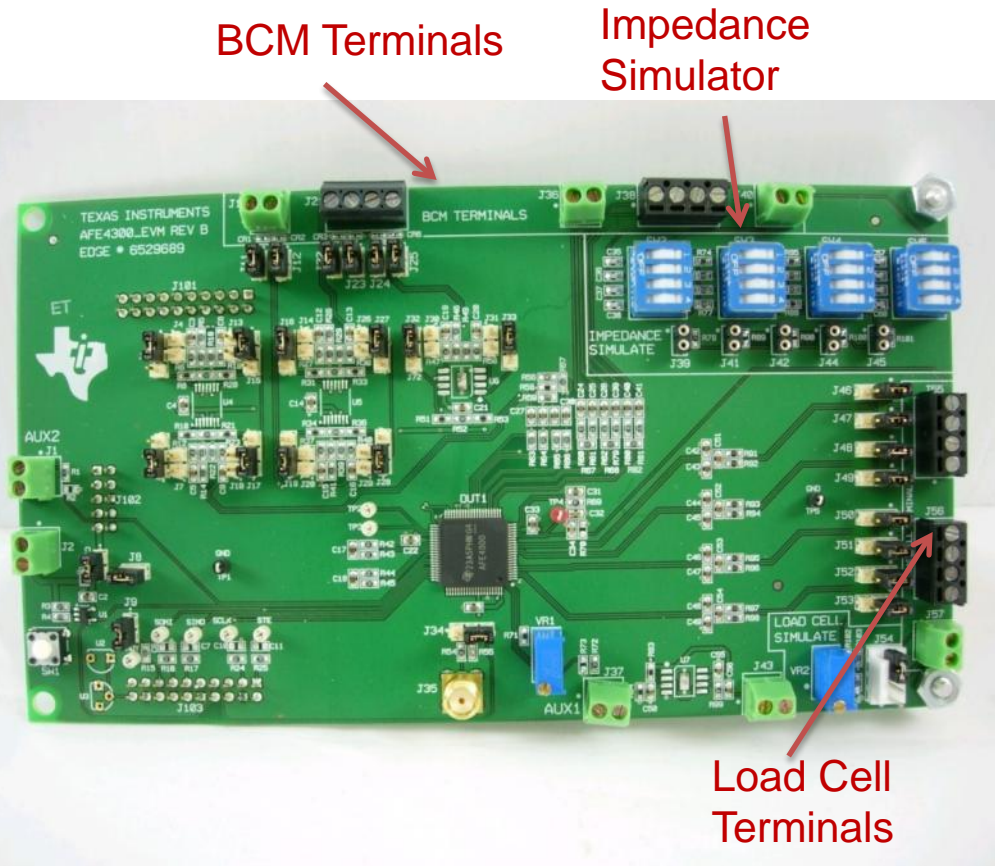


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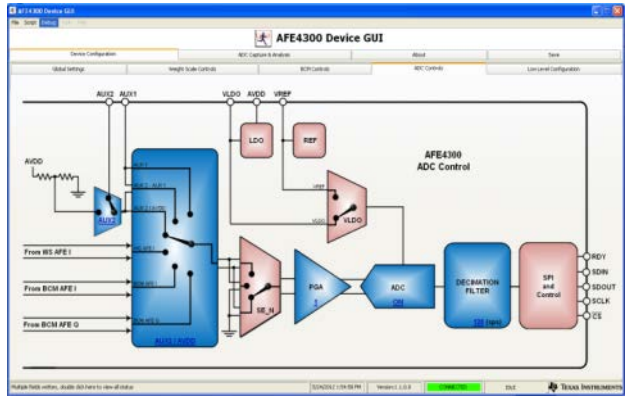
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# Body Composition Eval Module



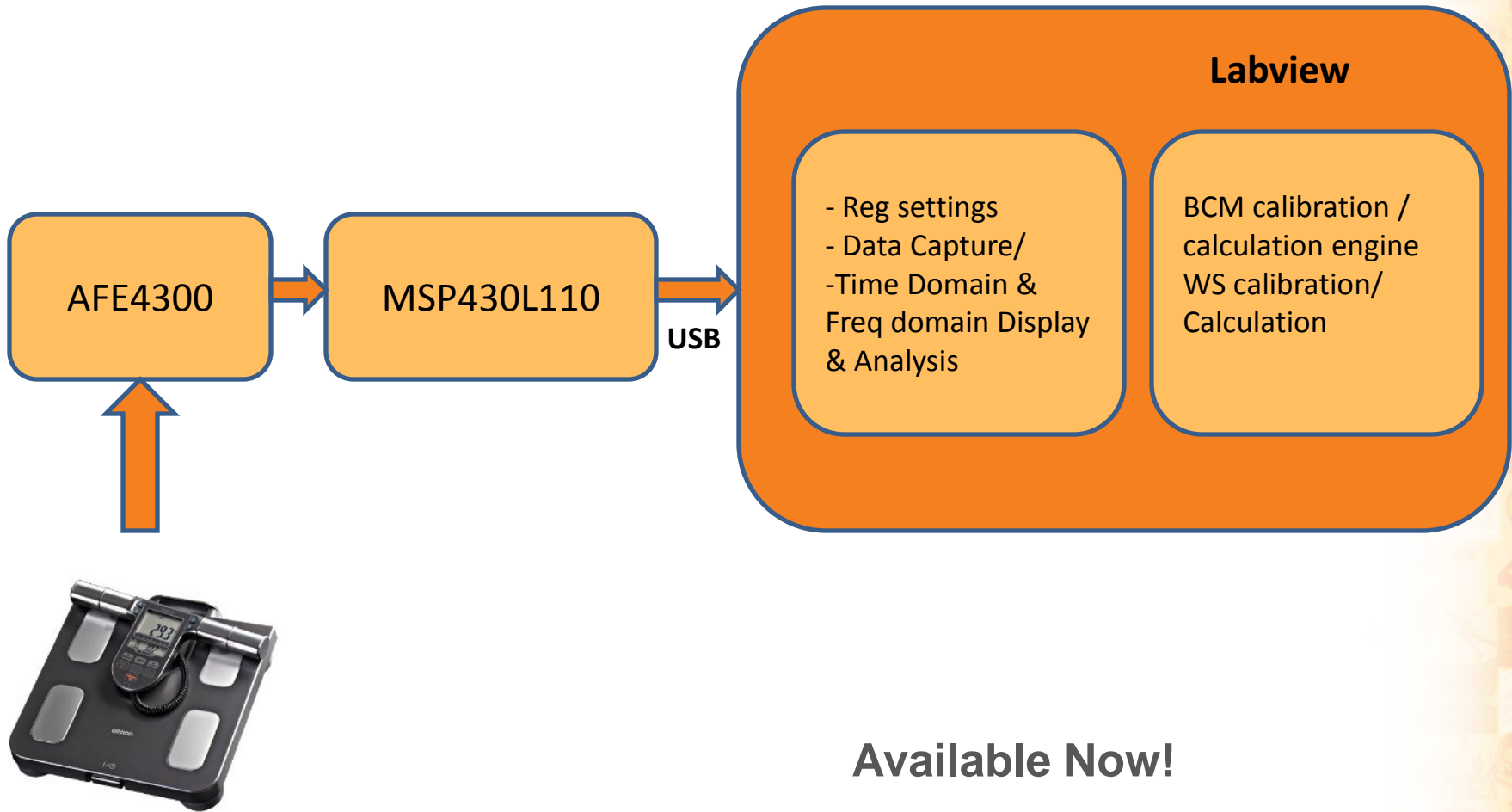
## AFE4300EVM-PDK

- Fully functional development Kit
- Support for three tetra-polar impedance measurements
- On-board load cell simulation block
- On-board impedance simulation block
- USB based power and PC application connectivity
- Built-in analysis tools including a virtual oscilloscope, histogram, and FFT on the PC application.





# Evaluation Module



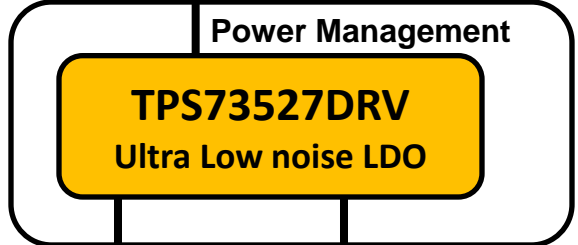
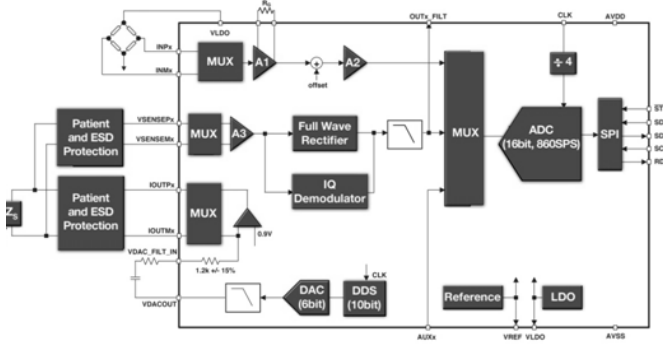
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# Health Hub: Body Composition

Hand to Hand or  
Foot to Foot



**AFE4300**



# Summary

- The AFE4430 is a complete analog front end solution for body composition and weigh scale applications
- Features and Benefits include
  - Complete front end solution = faster time to market
  - Multi-channel and Tetra-polar measurement options = increased accuracy
  - Low power = longer battery
- To learn more or order samples or evaluation module please visit [www.ti.com/product/AFE4300](http://www.ti.com/product/AFE4300)