Freescale™ Tower System Module User Guide
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### 1. Introduction

#### About this Guide

This guide provides the information needed to use the Lantronix® xPico® embedded device server with the evaluation kit. The intended audience is the engineers responsible for integrating the xPico and xPico Wi-Fi® devices into their product. In this document, “xPico” refers to all xPico Ethernet-only modules and “xPico Wi-Fi” refers to all xPico modules which have a Wi-Fi interface.

#### Additional Documentation

Visit the Lantronix web site at [www.lantronix.com/support/documentation](http://www.lantronix.com/support/documentation) for the latest documentation and the following additional documentation.

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2. Evaluation Kit

The Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Freescale Tower System module (part number TWR-LTRX-XPWK) can help you quickly prototype a design using Wi-Fi with a Freescale microcontroller.

xPico Wi-Fi Evaluation Kit Contents

♦ xPico Wi-Fi Module
♦ xPico Wi-Fi Tower Module for Freescale
♦ 2 dBi Swivel Type Antenna and U.FL to RP SMA Cable
♦ Strip Antenna

Evaluation Board Description

The Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Tower System module provides a test platform for the Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi device server. The Tower System module uses either 5V power from a USB device port connector or power supplied to the Freescale Tower System. The module board includes all necessary regulators to power the 3.3V xPico module. The Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Tower System module has the following features:

♦ Two serial ports connected to the Tower System
♦ One mini-type B USB device port connector for 5V input power. This port also has an integrated USB-to-serial converter. The USB-to-serial converter can be connected to the xPico Wi-Fi second serial port via a board jumper setting.
♦ A second mini-type B USB device port is available for direct connection to the xPico Wi-Fi device port, selectable via jumper settings. The jumper settings also allow the xPico Wi-Fi USB device port to connect to the tower board MCU USB port.
♦ LEDs for the xPico Ethernet, WLAN, and System status outputs
♦ Access to all logic level IO signals on the xPico device via header pins for measurements and connection to GPIO lines on the Tower System

The figure below shows the xPico Wi-Fi tower board and highlights all of the various connectors and configuration jumpers. The following table lists each of the connectors and jumper headers along with their function. Further description and pin assignments are included in subsequent sections.
Figure 2-1  xPico Wi-Fi Freescale Tower System Module Connectors and Jumpers
### Table 2-1  Evaluation Board Connectors, Header and Switches

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>JP</th>
<th>Label</th>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Default</th>
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<tr>
<td>JP1</td>
<td>UUT PWR</td>
<td>Connects to 0.301 ohm current sense resistor R1. Measure voltage on JP1 to calculate module power consumption</td>
<td>Uninstalled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP2</td>
<td>WAKE</td>
<td>Install to use wake-up input and button (xPico Wi-Fi only)</td>
<td>Installed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP3</td>
<td>DEFAULT</td>
<td>Install to use Default button</td>
<td>Installed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP4</td>
<td>RESET</td>
<td>Install to use Hardware Reset button</td>
<td>Installed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP5</td>
<td>DDP</td>
<td>1-2: Module USB to Tower System</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>DDM</td>
<td>2-3: Module USB to J2 device port</td>
<td>2-3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP6</td>
<td>ETH LED</td>
<td>Install jumper 1 to 2 for WLAN status to LED2</td>
<td>1-2, 3-4, 5-6 populated; 7-8 not populated</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP10</td>
<td>TXD2</td>
<td>1-2: Module serial port 2 to Tower System</td>
<td>2-3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>RXD2</td>
<td>2-3: Module serial port 2 to USB to serial FTDI, to J3</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP16</td>
<td>RXD1</td>
<td>1-2: Module connect serial port 1 to tower serial board</td>
<td>1-2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>TXD1</td>
<td>2-3: Module connect serial port 1 to tower MCU board</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>CTS1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>RTS1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J6</td>
<td>CP1-8</td>
<td>Connect CP1-8 (and SPI pins) to Tower System</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Example Connections on the Freescale Tower System**

**Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Module with K60 MCU Board**

xPico Wi-Fi module:

- JP16 through JP19, set to 2-3
- JP5 and JP7 set to 2-3
- Everything else default

K60 board:

- Make sure J6 is set 1-2 to have the on-board 50MHz feed the peripherals. If you’ve used this board with the TWR-SER, it would normally be set to 2-3.

**Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Module with TWR-SER**

xPico Wi-Fi module:

- JP16 through JP19, set to 1-2
- JP5 and JP7 set to 1-2
Serial Port 1

Serial port 1 of the xPico Wi-Fi embedded device server has the signals TX, RX, RTS, and CTS. These signals are connected to serial port 1 on the Tower System. Jumpers JP16 through JP19 allow you to change whether the xPico Wi-Fi module is DTE or DCE. If the xPico Wi-Fi module is connected to an MCU board, the jumpers should be connected 2-3. If using the tower serial board, the jumpers should be 1-2.

<table>
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<tr>
<td>RXD1 (7)</td>
<td>TXD1 (A44)</td>
<td>RXD1 (A43)</td>
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<tr>
<td>TXD1 (10)</td>
<td>RXD1 (A43)</td>
<td>TXD1 (A44)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RTS1 (5)</td>
<td>GPIO9/CTS1 (A9)</td>
<td>GPIO1/RTS1 (B21)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CTS1 (16)</td>
<td>GPIO1/RTS1 (B21)</td>
<td>GPIO9/CTS1 (A9)</td>
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Serial Port 2

Serial port 2 of the xPico Wi-Fi device has the signals TX and RX. These signals go through jumpers JP10 and JP11. There are two options where this serial port can go. If jumpers JP10 and JP11 are 1-2, then the serial port is connected to serial port 0 on the Tower System. If the jumpers are 2-3, then serial port 2 from the xPico Wi-Fi unit does not go to the Tower System, but instead is routed to an on-board USB to serial converter, which then connects to USB connector J3 on the board.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>xPico Wi-Fi Pin</th>
<th>Tower Elevator Pin (JP10, JP11: 1-2)</th>
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<tr>
<td>RXD2 (23)</td>
<td>TXD0 (A42)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TXD2 (25)</td>
<td>RXD0 (A41)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In order to access the unit through the J3 USB port, you will need to install the USB-to-serial VCP driver from FTDI on your PC. It is available in the installation directory of Lantronix® DeviceInstaller™ 4.3.0.2 and later versions, for installation. It can also be obtained from the FTDI website provided below. Once installed, you will be able to view the xPico boot messages as well as provide command inputs through any PC terminal program, such as Tera Term.

Download FTDI USB-to-serial drivers at this website: [http://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm](http://www.ftdichip.com/Drivers/VCP.htm)

Antenna Port

The xPico Wi-Fi tower board includes a bracket for mounting the U.FL to reverse polarity SMA RF cable included with the kit. Follow the procedure below when installing the antenna cable. The same procedure applies when using the PCB strip antenna, with the exception that the swivel antenna does not need to be connected to the RF cable.

- Attach the U.FL cable to the antenna prior to installing the xPico Wi-Fi module on the J1 socket.
- Attach the plastic mounting clip to the module.
- Install the module into the socket.
- Install the external antenna to the SMA end of the RF cable.

**Note:** Install or remove the antenna connections only while the module is powered off.
Power Supply

The Lantronix xPico Wi-Fi Freescale Tower System module can be powered from either of the USB connectors on the board. There is circuitry on the xPico Wi-Fi tower module that will convert the 5V input from USB to 3.3V to supply to the rest of the Tower System.

This circuitry is turned off if power is detected on the Tower System, and the xPico Wi-Fi module will draw power from the Tower System instead in that case.

LEDs

The xPico evaluation board includes several LEDs for signal and unit status. The table below lists all of the LEDs and their functions.

*Note:* LEDs 3, 4 and 5 are for future use when the Ethernet is populated.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LED</th>
<th>Function</th>
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<tr>
<td>LED1/STATUS</td>
<td>Orange: LED blinks with patterns indicating module status. See the xPico Wi-Fi Embedded Device Server User Guide for a full description of the status LED blink patterns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED2/LINK</td>
<td>Orange: LED is ON when the device is associated with an access point (on the STA interface.) LED is OFF when the device is not associated with an access point.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED3/SPEED</td>
<td>LED is ON when Ethernet is in 100Mbps mode, xPico device with Ethernet only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED4/ACT</td>
<td>LED blinks when there is activity on the Ethernet port, xPico unit with Ethernet only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED5/DUP</td>
<td>LED is ON when Ethernet is in half duplex mode, xPico device with Ethernet only</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| LED6/SERIAL 1| Orange: Receive activity  
Green: Transmit activity |
| LED7/SERIAL 2| Orange: Receive activity  
Green: Transmit activity |
| LED8/POWER   | Blue: 3.3V Power is on |

USB

There are two USB connectors on the xPico Wi-Fi Tower System module. The J3 connector can optionally be connected to serial port 2 of the xPico Wi-Fi module. See the description for serial port 2.

The xPico Wi-Fi has a USB device-side port that can be connected either to the Tower System or to the J2 USB connector on-board. Use jumpers JP5 and JP7 to control where the xPico Wi-Fi USB port is routed.

<table>
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<th>xPico Wi-Fi Pin</th>
<th>Tower Elevator Pin (JP5, JP7: 1-2)</th>
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<tr>
<td>DDM (24)</td>
<td>USB0_DM (A54)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DDP (22)</td>
<td>USB0_DP (A55)</td>
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</table>
The USB device port will be enabled with a future firmware update.

**SPI and CP**

The SPI and CP pins can be connected to the Tower System with the jumpers on J6. Please refer to the *xPico Wi-Fi Embedded Device Server User Guide* for details on how to use the SPI and CP ports.

The connections to the Tower System are as shown in the following table:

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<th>J6 Jumper</th>
<th>Tower Elevator Pin</th>
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<tr>
<td>CP1 (35)</td>
<td>1-2</td>
<td>GPIO6 (A35)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP2/SPI INT# (26)</td>
<td>3-4</td>
<td>GPIO4 (B35)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP3/SPI MISO (28)</td>
<td>5-6</td>
<td>SPI0_MISO/IO1 (B44)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP4/SPI_MOSI (30)</td>
<td>7-8</td>
<td>SPI0_MOSI/IO0 (B45)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP5 (32)</td>
<td>9-10</td>
<td>GPIO15 (A51)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP6 (34)</td>
<td>11-12</td>
<td>GPIO14 (A50)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP7/SPI_SCK (27)</td>
<td>13-14</td>
<td>SPI0_CLK (B48)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CP8/SPI_CS (3)</td>
<td>15-16</td>
<td>SPI0_CS0# (B46)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Evaluation Board Schematic

Figure 2-2  Evaluation Board Schematic (1 of 7)
Figure 2-3  Evaluation Board Schematic (2 of 7)
Figure 2-4 Evaluation Board Schematic (3 of 7)

USB DEVICE PORT

USB TO SERIAL DEVICE

Diode Array Route through device Install for ESD Protection

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Route the DDx pair as 90-ohm differential net on a layer next to the ground plane. Minimize the use of VBus and keep clear of other nets.

Route the SDDx pair as 90-ohm differential net on a layer next to the ground plane. Minimize the use of VBus and keep clear of other nets.

USB Power Switch Stuff option to turn power on only after port negation.
Figure 2-5  Evaluation Board Schematic (4 of 7)

RS-232 Activity LEDs

Figure showing the schematic of the Evaluation Board with various components and connectors labeled.
Figure 2-6  Evaluation Board Schematic (5 of 7)

3.3V, 1A REGULATOR, 2.25Mhz

Drive EN pin high to enable power from USB. Switch in to disable port power when power from elevator is detected by PLL. PA_SENSE. OC pin flags host port over current when low.

Power LED

Power and Ground Headers
Figure 2-7  Evaluation Board Schematic (6 of 7)

Signals in this box between R245 and Magnetic need to be isolated by 1500Vrms to all other signals.

ESD Protection

Magnetics

Diode Array
Route through device
Install for ESD Protection

Route the Ethernet Differential pairs on 180mil differential nets on a layer next to the ground plane.

Ethernet Connector

Avoid area under Magnetic and RJ45 Jack of all signals except the signals from the Magnetic to the RJ45.