

# AMS00x-E01 Evaluation Guide



AMS001-E01 'Wahoo'



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### **About this User Guide**

This guide provides information and basic usage instructions for the ZentriOS-S serial Bluetooth Low Energy application and the family of AMS001/AMS002 'Bobcat' modules available from Zentri.

Evaluation boards covered by this guide include:

AMS00x-E01 'Wahoo'

In this document AMS00x refers to both the AMS001 and AMS002 modules.

Further information about ZentriOS-S is available online at:

https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/

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# 1 Introduction

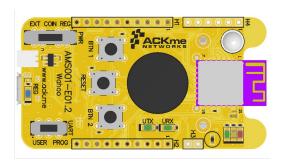
The 'Bobcat' family of Bluetooth Low Energy modules are fully certified small form factor, low power modules perfectly suited to deeply embedded wireless applications requiring low-power and low-cost in medium to high volume.

Each module runs a fully-licensed version of ZentriOS-S, Zentri's easy-to-use and reliable serial Bluetooth Low Energy application that provides a point-point wireless connection, rich peripheral interface and various BLE profiles for wireless sensors and related products requiring Bluetooth Low Energy.

Evaluation of ZentriOS-S and the Bobcat family of modules is available with the AMS00x-E01 'Wahoo' evaluation board. In this document AMS00x refers to both the AMS001 and AMS002 modules.

The evaluation board is shown in Figure 1 and its features are listed in Table 1.

Figure 1. AMS001-E01 Wahoo



AMS001-E01 'Wahoo'

Table 1. AMS00x-E01 Evaluation Board Features

Feature	AMS00x-E01 'Wahoo'
Product Number	AMS00x-E01
Module style	Surface mount
Serial Interface	USB-UART
Power supply	USB +5V
options	Li-Po battery (with onboard recharger)
	CR2032 coin cell
User LEDs	Tri-colour LED / 3 individual LEDs
User Buttons	2
Reset Button	Yes
Sensors	Speaker, Thermistor, Accelerometer
Expansion Headers	3.3V UART, 2 x 10-pin



# 2 Feature Identification

### 2.1 **AMS001-E01 'Wahoo'**

The Wahoo evaluation board comes complete with a surface mount AMS001 (or AMS002) 'Bobcat' module. Each pin on the Bobcat module is connected to the expansion header. Schematics for the board are provided in Appendix B.

Figure 2. AMS00x-E01 Features (TOP)

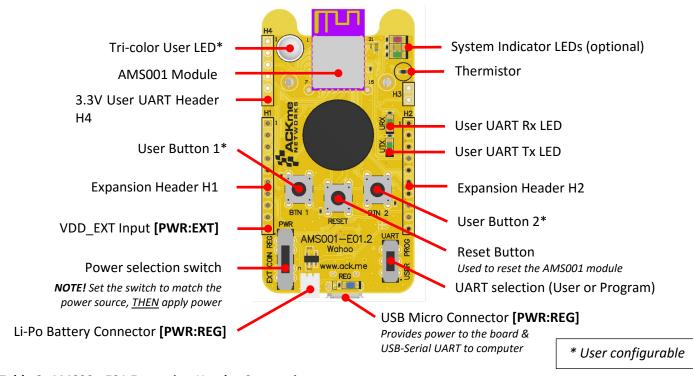


Table 2. AMS00x-E01 Expansion Header Connections

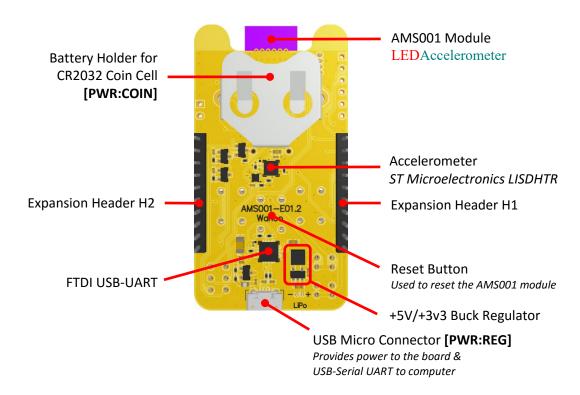
AMS001	H1
GPIO 0	1
GPIO 1	2
GPIO 2	3
GPIO 3	4
GPIO 4	5
GPIO 5	6
GPIO 6	7
GPIO 7	8
VDD_EXT	9
GND	10

AMS001	H2
GPIO 14	1
GPIO 13	2
GPIO 12	3
GPIO 11	4
GPIO 10	5
GPIO 9	6
GPIO 8	7
RESET_N	8
VDD	9
GND	10

AMS001	Н4
USER_TX	1
USER_RX	2
USER_RTS	3
USER_CTS	4
GND	5
VDD	6



Figure 3. AMS00x-E01 Features (BOTTOM)



# 2.2 **Power Supply Options**

The board may be powered by various power sources listed in Table 1.

**Table 3. Wahoo Power Supply Sources** 

Power Supply Source	PWR Switch Position	<b>Notes</b> - Select the PWR switch to match your supply before applying power!
USB	REG	+5V is supplied from the USB interface
Li-Po Battery	REG	Single cell Li-Po battery with nominal voltage of +4.2V plugged into the white Li-Po battery connector
Coin Cell	COIN	3.0V CR2032-style lithium coin cell inserted into the battery holder on the underneath of the board
External 3.3V	EXT	External +3.3V supply connected to H1 Pin 9



**Note!** Before changing the power source, select the correct **PWR** switch position. Failure to select the switch position prior to applying power may cause the onboard power supply to shut down.



# 2.3 **UART Selection**

The Bobcat module has two UARTs, a User UART for normal operation and a Programming UART. The Programming UART is only used if the module requires a custom program or manual firmware upgrade. For most use cases, the UART switch should be configured to the position marked USER.



# 3 Using ZentriOS-S with Bobcat & Wahoo

The Bobcat module on the Wahoo evaluation board runs a licensed version of ZentriOS-S, the flexible, easy-to-use and intuitive Bluetooth Low Energy application from Zentri.

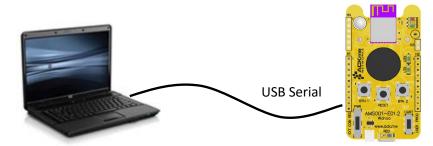
ZentriOS-S is the basis of multiple software products. For the full list, see:

https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/products

The ZENTRI-TRUCONNECT product is fully compatible with the legacy TruConnect 2.x product. Other ZentriOS-S products provide a subset of the full range of ZentriOS-S features. This allows a memory-constrained BLE device to run only the features you need to build your ZentriOS-S app. Some of the commands described below are not supported by all products.

To get started with ZentriOS-S, place the AMS001-E01 **PWR** switch into the **REG** position, <u>THEN</u> plug the evaluation board into the USB port of the computer and open a terminal emulator as described in Appendix A. The USB cable provides the Bobcat module and evaluation board with power and a serial UART connection to the computer. Note that the **PWR** switch must be in the correct position <u>BEFORE</u> applying power to the board.

With the board connected to the computer, verify the tri-colour LED is slow-blinking green. If the LED does not blink, check the UART switch is set to USER, then try re-plugging the USB cable, or try a different USB cable.



**Computer with Terminal Emulator** 

**Wahoo Evaluation Board** 



**Note!** The blue power LED (marked **REG**) will not illuminate when power is supplied until the link L1 is soldered into place. The link is not populated at the factory to avoid unwanted power drain during battery operation.

# 3.1 **Getting Help**

ZentriOS-S help is available online at https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest.

ZentriOS-S operates in one of two serial bus modes: COMMAND mode, in which commands can be issued via a remote or UART serial interface, and STREAM mode, in which ZentriOS-S does not respond to commands and instead passes characters to the Bluetooth wireless connection.

On boot up, ZentriOS-S returns to stream mode. To instead boot into command mode by default, use the following ZentriOS-S commands to setup the serial bus initialization mode:

- > set bu i command
- > save

For more details on stream mode and command mode, see Section 3.10 Command vs. Stream Mode.



# 3.2 Listing ZentriOS-S Variables

A list of all ZentriOS-S variables is available by issuing the command: get al

```
> get al
bl a:
          4C55CC10066F
bl c c:
        175f8f23-a570-49bd-9627-815a6a27de2a
bl s u:
bl t a:
bl t c:
bl v m: low
bl v h d: 30
bl v h i: 32
bl v 1 d: 300
bl v l i: 1024
bu i:
         stream
bu s c:
         edge
ce c c:
ce c m:
         none
ce s m:
         off
        AMS001-E01.2
sy b n:
        1
sy c e:
sy c h:
        0
sy c p:
sy d n:
        AMS-9A42
sy o e:
sy p:
         4
sy r e:
        1
ua b:
         115200
ua f:
```

# 3.3 Scanning for Bluetooth Peripherals

To actively scan for any BLE peripheral in range using a high rate scan, use the scan all high command. Each device within range is listed on a separate line.

Note that the scan command is supported only by the following ZentriOS-S products:

- DUAL
- TRUCONNECT

Enter the following command:

To scan only for Zentri BLE peripherals in range (with the Zentri service UUID configured by the variable bl s u), use the scan high command without the all argument. Each device within range is listed on a separate line.

```
> scan high
Success
! # RSSI BD_ADDR Device Name
# 1 -59 20:73:7a:12:9a:42 AMS-9A42
```

Further information about the scan command is available online at:

https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/cmd/commands#scan



# 3.4 Connecting to a Peripheral

To connect as a central to an Zentri BLE peripheral discovered during scanning, use the con command, with the index number listed by the results of scan as an argument, e.g.:

```
> con 1
Success
```

Note that the con command is supported only by the following ZentriOS-S products:

- DUAL
- TRUCONNECT

To disconnect from the peripheral, use the dct command.

# 3.5 Advertising as a Peripheral

To make your Zentri BLE peripheral visible to other Bluetooth devices, use the advertise command:

```
> adv high
```

# 3.6 Using GPIOs

In ZentriOS-S, pins on the Bobcat module may be configured to one of any number of functions including standard IO, status indicator, status GPIO, serial bus mode select, control GPIO and a number of others.

Before a pin can be used, it is first necessary to check whether the GPIO is already in use for another purpose.

Use the get gp u command to see a list of GPIO functions. For example:

```
> get gp u
! # Description
# 0 i2c sda
# 1 i2c scl
  2 user tx
  3 none
  4 none
  5 user_rx
  6 none, factory
  7 reserved
  8 none
  9 mode sel
# 10 status led
# 11 none
# 12 none
# 13 speaker
# 14 stream gpio
```

The example below demonstrates how to assign the mode select function to GPIO 9 on the Bobcat module, after first removing any previous function assigned to GPIO 9.

```
> gfu 9 none
Success
> gfu 9 mode_sel
Success
```



### 3.7 Save and Reboot

When the value of a ZentriOS-S variable is changed, the new value is only saved to RAM (not flash!). The value of unsaved variables is lost when the module is reset or rebooted. To save variables to non-volatile flash memory, use the save command. The following example demonstrates that failing to save the variable value prior to reboot results in the newly assigned value being lost:

```
get sy r e
1
> set sy r e 0
Success
> get sy r e
0
> reboot
> get sy r e
1
> set sy r e 0
Success
> save
Success
> reboot
get sy r e
0
```

**Note!** ZentriOS-S configures some services (such as GPIO initialization) only after reboot. It may be necessary to save and reboot the module before the new value of some variables takes effect.

# 3.8 **Save Factory Settings**

A custom factory configuration can be saved ONCE ONLY to non-volatile memory using the command:

```
save factory <BD ADDR>
```

The <BD\_ADDR> argument is required to ensure against accidental use of the command. To find the <BD\_ADDR>, use the get bl a command.

# 3.9 Factory Reset

The Bobcat module may be factory reset using the fac (factory reset) command or by holding the factory reset pin high for more than 10 seconds through a hardware reset. After a successful factory reset, all variables are set to factory defaults and the module reboots. To avoid accidental factory reset, the device BLE address must be provided when calling the fac command.

```
> get bl a
4C55CC2008FC
> fac 4C55CC2008FC

ZENTRI-TRUCONNECT-2.1.1.1, 2016-12-07T12:00:00Z, ZentriOS-S-2.1.1.1, Module:AMS002.5,
Board:N/A
[COMMAND MODE]
```



### 3.10 Command vs. Stream Mode

The ZentriOS-S serial interface may be used in either Command Mode or Stream Mode. A brief description of each of these modes is provided in the following text. For detailed information, please refer to the online documentation at <a href="https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/serial-interface#serial-bus-modes">https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/serial-interface#serial-bus-modes</a>.

### 3.10.1 Command Mode

Command mode provides an asynchronous command interface that a host may use to send and receive configuration information. Command mode is typically used by a host to configure ZentriOS-S. All preceding examples demonstrate usage of ZentriOS-S in command mode.

There are two ways to interact with ZentriOS-S in command mode. When operating in human friendly command mode, ZentriOS-S provides verbose asynchronous responses that are easy for humans to read. In machine friendly command mode, verbose prints and the command prompt are disabled and a well-defined response header is returned after each command.

### **Configuring Command Mode**

Command mode can be configured using the variable sy c m

Command	Description
set sy c m human	Enable human friendly command mode
set sy c m machine	Enable machine friendly command mode

Setting  $sy \in m$  executes a macro that sets the value of the four variables used to switch between human and command mode. These variables, together with the human and machine mode setting, are listed in the following table.

Command	Human	/	Machine	Description
set sy p	all	/	0	Set debug & informational print level
set sy c h	0	/	1	Disable/enable a response header
set sy c p	1	/	0	Turn on/off the user prompt
set sy c e	1	/	0	Turn on/off character echo. In human mode, lets you see what you're typing

### **Enabling and Disabling Command Mode**

A device can issue commands to ZentriOS-S locally via the UART serial interface, or remotely via a wireless connection. Only one device may have command mode access to ZentriOS-S at any time.

A remote wireless device cannot place ZentriOS-S in command mode when a local device is actively using the command interface. Similarly, a local device cannot use command mode if a remote device is actively using the command interface.

A local device or a remote device using ZentriOS-S in command mode must put ZentriOS-S into stream mode before another device is allowed can use command mode. Access to command mode from a remote device can be disabled with the set syre of command (set remote enable off).



### 3.10.2 Stream Mode

Stream Mode provides a streaming interface that transparently connects the Bobcat UART serial interface with a remote device over a Bluetooth Low Energy wireless connection. Stream mode provides a simple 1-1 wireless connection between the physical serial interface and a remote BLE device.

A wireless serial port is a typical application that uses stream mode.

### 3.11 Want more?

See ZentriOS-S documentation online at <a href="https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/">https://docs.zentri.com/zentrios/s/latest/</a>, for features, commands and variables, versions and release notes.

A number of simple and more sophisticated example applications are also provided to help you get the most out of ZentriOS-S and the Bobcat family of Bluetooth Low Energy modules.



# 4 Using the Zentri BLE Manager

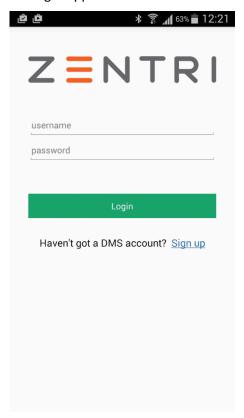
The Zentri BLE Manager runs on a mobile device, which provides a BLE to Wi-Fi bridge between your ZentriOS-S BLE device and the Zentri Device Management Server (DMS).

The Zentri BLE Manager is available for:

- Android devices from the Google Play Store
- iOS devices, from the <u>iTunes store</u>

You can use the Zentri BLE Manager for claiming your device for your DMS user account, and OTA (Over the Air) updating your device with different ZentriOS-S products.

If you already have a DMS account, login with your username and password. If not, sign up for a free DMS account. You can do this by going to the DMS sign up page at <a href="https://dms.zentri.com/signup">https://dms.zentri.com/signup</a>, or via the link on the Zentri BLE Manager app.

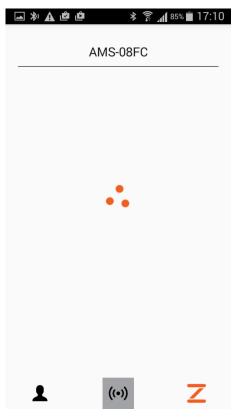


The app then displays the **Scan** page.



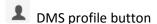
# 4.1 Scanning and Selecting your Device

The app scans for nearby Zentri BLE devices and displays the IDs on the Scan page. In the screen below only a single device has been found:



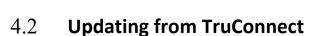
Select the device to manage it. If you have a ZentriOS-S product, the app displays the Device Details page. If you have an earlier TruConnect version, the app detects this and displays the Transition to ZentriOS-S page. See below.

The buttons on the bottom of the screen are, from left to right:

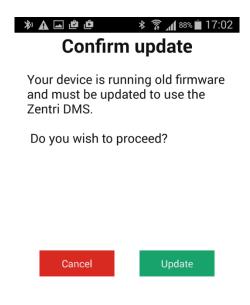


( Re-Scan button

Z About button. See About the Zentri BLE Manager, below.



If after selecting your device, the Zentri BLE Manager app detects a TruConnect version earlier than ZentriOS-S 3.0, it prompts to update to the latest ZentriOS-S version.



During the update, a BLE Reset is required.

In the course of updating to ZentriOS-S from TruConnect, the app claims your device automatically. For more details of claiming, see Claiming Your Device below.



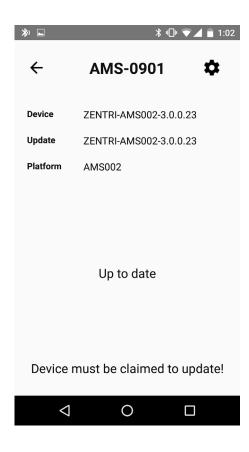
# 4.3 Claiming Your Device

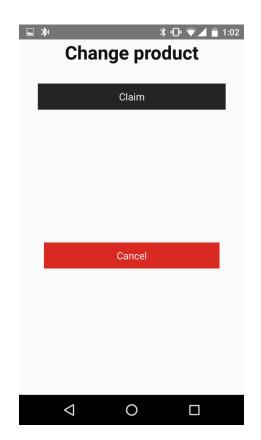
When you claim a device, the DMS associates the device with your DMS user account.

Claiming the device allows you to update the device via the DMS and select new products for the device.

When you use the DMS with ZentriOS-S, the DMS stores an AES key on your device flash. Communication with the DMS is encrypted, and the firmware image is encrypted on the device with that AES key. This ensures secure updating and management of your device firmware.

If your device is running a ZentriOS-S product, and you have not yet claimed the device, the manager displays a message indicating the device must be claimed before it can be managed.





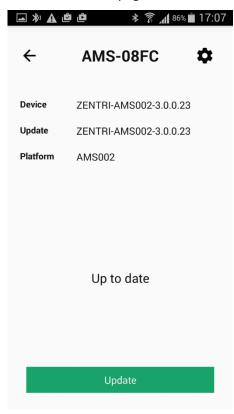
To claim, press the  $\ensuremath{\clubsuit}$  Settings button.

Press the Claim button to claim your device.

When your device is claimed, the app displays the **Device Details** page. See below.

### 4.4 Device Details

The device details page shows the DMS status of the selected ZentriOS-S device:



Device: the device's current product and version

Update: the product to which the device is activated. This may be different to the device product, if you have selected a new product and have not yet updated.

Platform: the device platform

### Update status:

Update to date: the device has the correct version of the product to which it is activated. There is no need to press the Update button

Update available: the device has the selected product but a new version is available. Press the Update button.

Update available - new product: the current device product is different to the update product. Press the Update button.

Device must be claimed to update! : you have not yet claimed this device. See Claiming Your Device, above.



To change the device settings, or to change Product, choose settings (press the 'Cog' button) to move to the Change product page.

Press Update to update to the product displayed in the Update box.

**Changing Product** 

Choose settings (press the 'Cog' button) to move to the Change product page.

Press the product name drop down and select your desired product from the list.



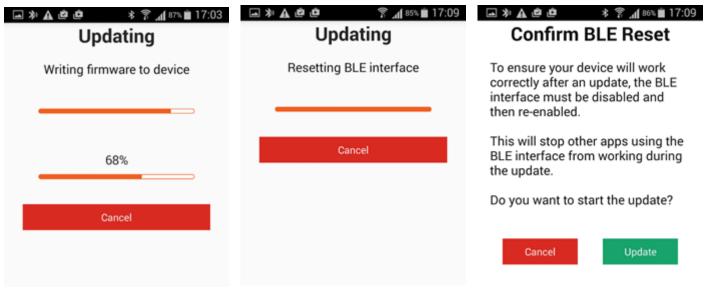
The products listed are those for which your DMS user has permission. If you do not see your required product here, <u>contact Silabs</u>.

During the update, a BLE Reset is required. See Updating and BLE Reset.



# 4.5 Updating and BLE Reset

When changing or updating a product, your mobile device requires a BLE reset to allow it to correctly rediscover the state of the updated device.



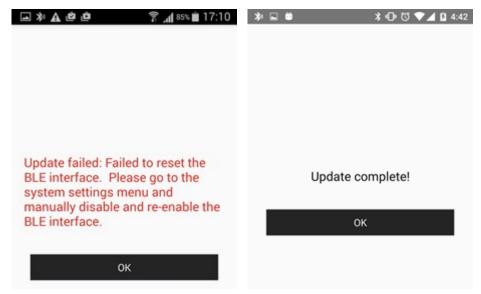
The app shows a BLE Reset confirmation page.

When you confirm the app updates your product.

Then the BLE Reset takes place.

In some circumstances you may have to restart BLE outside the app, using your mobile device BLE Settings.

When the update is complete, the app displays the Update Complete message.





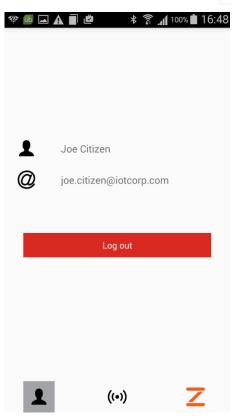
# 4.6 About the Zentri BLE Manager

Click the Z About button on the Scan page to view the About page. It shows the Zentri BLE Manager version and provides a link to the <u>zentri.com</u> site.



# 4.7 View Profile and Log Out

Click the Profile button on the Scan Results page to view the DMS Profile page. It shows your DMS user name and email address, and displays the Log Out button.



# 4.8 Unclaiming a Device

You may wish to unclaim your device to remove the association in the DMS between the device and your user.

Choose settings (press the 'Cog' button) to move to the Change product page.

Press the Unclaim button.

The DMS removes the link between your DMS user and the DMS device record.

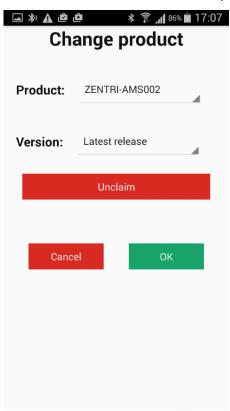




Table 4 provides ordering information for AMS001 evaluation boards.

### **Table 4. Ordering Information**

Part Number	Picture	Description
AMS001-E01 'Wahoo'		ZentriOS-S development and evaluation platform for the surface-mount AMS001 module. The surface mount AMS001 module is not removable.

# 6 Revision History & Glossary

# 6.1 **Revision History**

**Table 5: Document Revision History** 

Revision	Date	Change Description
ARG-AMS001E-100R	Nov 10, 2014	First release
ARG-AMS001E-101R	Mar 11, 2015	Added accelerometer make and model
ARG-AMS001E-102R	May 21, 2015	Removed reference to Putty
ARG-AMS00x-E01-103R	Oct 1, 2015	Changed document number to ARG-AMS00x-E03 Bream Evaluation Guide
ARG-AMS00x-E01-104R	Oct 16, 2017	Changed to Zentri/Silabs branding, removed Wahoo app description and added BLE Manager app description.

# 6.2 **Glossary**

In most cases, acronyms and abbreviations are defined on first use. A comprehensive list of acronyms and other terms used in Zentri documents are provided on the Zentri website at <a href="https://docs.zentri.com/zentri/glossary">https://docs.zentri.com/zentri/glossary</a>

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# APPENDIX A – Configuring a Terminal Application

The following instructions describe how to obtain and install a serial terminal application for use on computers running a Windows® or OS X operations system. ACKme recommends using Tera Term for Windows® systems and CoolTerm for OS X systems, however other equivalent applications may work equally well.

Plug the evaluation board into the computer using a USB cable before continuing.

## **Verify USB-Serial Driver Installation**

The USB-Serial interface on ZentriOS-S evaluation boards is based on an FTDI chip used widely in the industry. Most operating systems including Windows®, OS X, and Linux provide integrated FTDI driver support as part of the operating system. However on some older machines, or machines that do not pickup regular updates, the driver may not automatically install and it is necessary to manually install the driver.

On computers running Windows®, check if the driver is installed as follows:

- Display the System Control Panel (e.g. press the 'Windows' key + Pause key).
- In the left-hand column near the top of the panel, click **Device Manager**
- In the Device Manager dialog, expand the Ports (COM and LPT) branch
- FTDI drivers appear under the USB Serial Port items. If no items of this kind appear, the drivers may not be installed.

Note: The driver entry may not appear if the ACKme device is not connected to the USB port and powered on.

- Double click the USB Serial Port entry.
- Select the **General** tab in the USB Serial Port Properties dialog. Check the following:
  - Manufacturer: FTDI
  - Device status: This device is working properly
- Select the **Driver** tab in the USB Serial Port Properties dialog. Check the following:
  - **Driver Provider: FTDI**
  - Update drivers if necessary by clicking the **Update Driver...** button.
- In some cases, the FTDI driver may actually be correctly installed, but the driver may not enumerate as a Virtual Communications Port (VCP). If this is the case, find the device under the USB Serial Bus controllers section of the Device manager, open the device, check the VCP box, then click OK. It may be necessary to unplug/replug your evaluation board in order for the VCP driver to load correctly.

If the FTDI drivers do not appear to be installed, see the installation instructions on the FTDI official site:

http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Documents/InstallGuides.htm



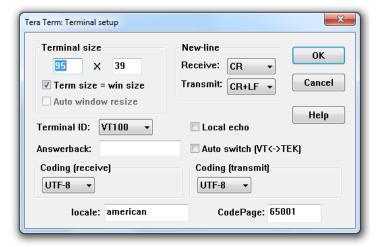
# **Set Up Tera Term for Windows®**

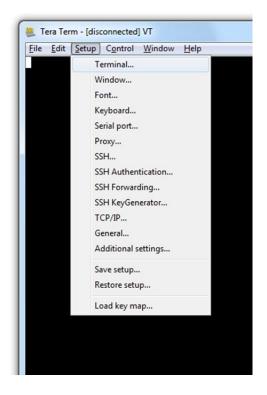
Tera Term is available as a free download from <a href="http://ttssh2.sourceforge.jp">http://ttssh2.sourceforge.jp</a>. Download and install Tera Term now if you have not already done so. The following procedure describes how to establish a UART serial connection between Tera Term and the evaluation board.

- Start the Tera Term application and click on the Setup tab. A
  dropdown appears providing options to configure Tera Term as
  shown in the screen capture on the right. Select Terminal.
- 2. Terminal Setup. In the **New-line** section of the **Setup Terminal** dialog box (see the screen capture below), ensure that:

Receive: is set to CRTransmit: is set to CR+LF

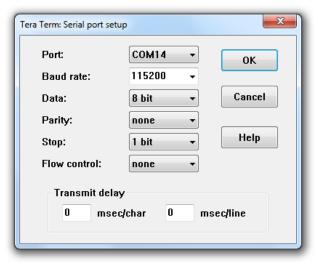
Close the **Terminal Setup** dialog box by selecting **OK**.





3. Serial Port Setup. Select the **Setup** tab again from the main window, then select **Serial port**. A **Setup serial port** dialog box appears. Ensure the settings in the dialog box match the settings shown in the following screen capture. The COM **Port** shown in the example (COM14) will almost certainly be different for your evaluation board, be sure to choose the COM port that matches your board.

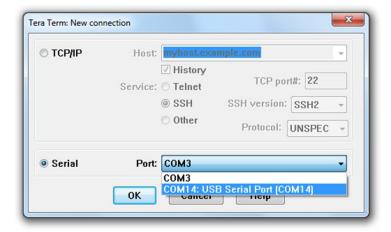
When the serial port has been correctly setup, close the **Serial port** setup dialog box by selecting **OK**.

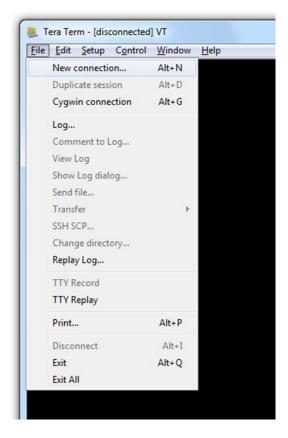




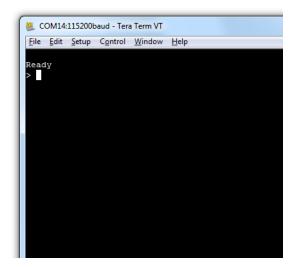
4. New Connection. From the Tera Term application menu, setup a new connection with the evaluation board by selecting File | New connection (or by pressing Alt + N) as shown in the screen capture on the right. A New connection dialog box appears as shown in the following screen capture. Check the Serial radio button, then click the Port: dropdown menu and select the COM port that matches your evaluation board. The COM port description for the evaluation board includes the text COMxx: USB Serial Port (COMxx).

Once the correct COM port has been selected, close the **New connection** dialog box by selecting **OK**.





5. Testing the connection. If Tera Term was able to connect successfully, the text in the application title bar indicates which COM port is connected, and the baud rate of the connection. For the example documented above, Tera Term displays 'COM14:115200baud'. The Tera Term screen remains blank however until a character is sent to ZentriOS-S. Try pressing the **Enter** key, ZentriOS-S responds with Ready as shown in the following screen capture.





### Set Up CoolTerm for OS X

CoolTerm is available as a free download from <a href="http://freeware.the-meiers.org/CoolTermMac.zip">http://freeware.the-meiers.org/CoolTermMac.zip</a>. Download and install CoolTerm now if you have not already done so.

The following procedure describes how to establish a UART serial interface between CoolTerm and the evaluation board.

 Start the CoolTerm application and click the Options menu icon. The CoolTerm Configuration window opens. Set the Serial Port configuration options as follows:

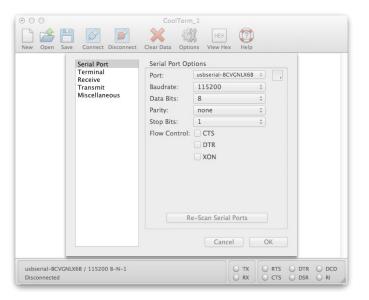
Port: usbserial-XXXXXXXX

• Baudrate: 115200

Data bits: 8Parity: noneStop bits: 1

Flow control : Deselect all options

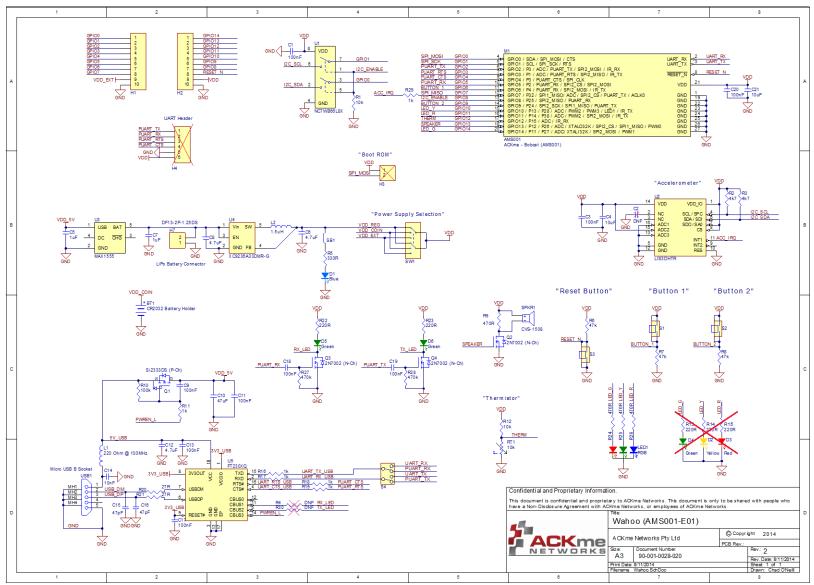
- 2. Click OK.
- 3. Click the **Connect** menu icon. The CoolTerm application connects to the evaluation board.



Try pressing the Enter key, if CoolTerm is successfully connected to the evaluation board, ZentriOS-S responds with

Ready

The schematic on this page is for Wahoo version 2 - AMS001-E01.2. Schematics for other board revisions are available at https://docs.zentri.com/zentri/resources/ams001



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