

A compact starter kit with your favorite microcontroller and two mikroBUS[™] sockets





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Introduction to clicker 2 for STM32

clicker 2 for STM32 is a compact dev. kit with two mikroBUSTM sockets for click board connectivity. You can use it to quickly build your own gadgets with unique functionalities and features. It carries the STM32F407VGT6. a 32-bit ARM® Cortex®-M4 microcontroller, two indication LEDs, two general purpose buttons, a reset button, an on/off switch, a li-polymer battery connector, a USB Mini-B connector and two mikroBUS[™] socket. A [TAG connector and a 2x26 pinout for interfacing with external electronics are also provided. The mikroBUS[™] connector consists of two 1x8 female headers with SPI, I²C, UART, RST, PWM, Analog and Interrupt lines as well as 3.3V, 5V and GND power lines. Clicker 2 for STM32 board can be powered over a USB cable.





Key features

- 1 ON/OFF switch
- 2 Pads for connecting external ON/OFF switch
- 3 Jumper for enabling RTC power supply
- 4 25 MHz crystal oscillator
- 5 32.768 KHz crystal oscillator
- 6 2x26 connection pads
- 7 mikroBUS™ sockets 1 and 2
- 8 Pushbuttons
- 9 Additional LEDs
- 10 LTC3586 USB power manager IC
- Indication LEDs
- 12 RESET button
- USB mini-B connector
- 14 STM32F407VGT6
- 15 Battery connector
- **16** JTAG programmer connector





clicker 2 for STM32 schematic

1. Power supply



USB power supply

You can supply power to the board with a **Mini-B USB** cable provided in the package. On-board voltage regulators provide the appropriate voltage levels to each component on the board. **Power LED (GREEN)** will indicate the presence of power supply.

Battery power supply

You can also power the board using a **Li-Polymer** battery, via on-board battery connector. On-board battery charger circuit enables you to charge the battery over USB connection. **LED diode (RED)** will indicate when battery is charging. Charging current is ~300mA and charging voltage is 4.2V DC.





Figure 1-3: Power supply schematic

2. STM32F407VGT6 microcontroller

The clicker 2 for STM32 development tool comes with the **STM32F407VGT6** device. This 32-bit high performance microcontroller is rich with on-chip peripherals and features 1 MB of Flash and 192+4 KB of SRAM. It has integrated full speed USB 2.0. support.

Key microcontroller features

- 16-bit and 32-bit Timers, up to 168Mhz
- 32-bit ARM® Cortex®-M4 architecture
- 1 MB of Flash memory
- 192 +4 KB SRAM
- 3x 12-bit ADC
- Internal Oscillator 25MHz, 32kHz, PLL;
- SPI, I²C, CAN, USB, USART, UART, RTC, Ethernet



3. Programming the microcontroller

Figure 3-1: STM32F407VGT6 microcontroller

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The microcontroller can be programmed in three ways:



Using USB HID mikroBootloader,

Using external mikroProg[™] for STM32 programmer

Using external ST-LINK V2[™] programmer

3.1 Programming with mikroBootloader

You can program the microcontroller with a bootloader which is preprogrammed by default. To transfer .hex file from a PC to MCU you need bootloader software (**mikroBootloader USB HID**) which can be downloaded from:



www.mikroe.com/downloads/get/2153/ mikrobootloader_usb_hid_STM32F407VGT6.zip

After the mikroBootloader software is downloaded, unzip it to desired location and start it.



step 1 - Connecting clicker 2 for STM32



Figure 3-2: USB HID mikroBootloader window

To start, connect the USB cable, or if already connected press the **Reset** button on your clicker 2 for STM32. Click the **Connect** button within 5s to enter the bootloader mode, otherwise existing microcontroller program will execute.

step 2 - Browsing for .HEX file

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4 Start bootloader	Begin uploading			Ŧ
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Figure 3-3: Browse for HEX

01	Click the Browse for HEX button and from a
	pop-up window (Figure 3.4) choose the .HEX file
	which will be uploaded to MCU memory.

step 3 - Selecting .HEX file

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Figure 3-4: Selecting HEX



Click the **Open** button.

step 4 - Uploading .HEX file

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Figure 3-5: Begin uploading





Figure 3-6: Progress bar



Progress bar enables you to monitor .HEX file uploading.

step 5 - Finish upload

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Figure 3-7: Restarting MCU



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Figure 3-8: mikroBootloader ready for next job

3.2 Programming with mikroProg[™] programmer

The microcontroller can be programmed with external mikroProg[™] for STM32 programmer and mikroProg Suite[™] for ARM[®] software.

The external programmer is connected to the development system via 2x5 JTAG connector soldered on the CN3 connector pads, **Figure 3-9. mikroProg**[™] is a fast USB 2.0 programmer with hardware debugger support. It supports STM32 M3 and M4 devices from STMicroelectronics. Outstanding performance, easy operation and elegant design are its key features.



Figure 3-9: mikroProg[™] connector

mikroProg Suite[™] for ARM[®] software

On-board mikroProg[™] programmer requires special programming software called mikroProg Suite[™] for ARM[®]. This software is used for programming of all supported microcontroller families with ARM[®] Cortex[™]-M3 and Cortex[™]-M4 cores. The software has an intuitive interface and SingleClick[™] programming technology. To begin, first locate the installation archive on the link bellow:



http://www.mikroe.com/downloads/get/1809/mikroprog_suite_for_arm.zip

After downloading, extract the package and double click the executable setup file, to start installation.

Quick guide



- Click the **Detect MCU** button in order to recognize the device ID.
- Click the **Read** button to read the entire microcontroller memory. You can click the **Save** button to save it to the target HEX file.
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If you want to write the HEX file into the microcontroller, first make sure to load the target HEX file using the **Load** button. Then click the **Write** button to begin programming.

Click the **Erase** button to clear the microcontroller memory.

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Figure 3-10: mikroProg Suite™

for ARM® window

3.3 Programming with ST-LINK V2 programmer

The microcontroller can also be programmed with the ST-LINK V2 programmer and mikroProg Suite[™] for ARM* software. This programmer connects with the clicker 2 board via mikroProg to ST-LINK V2 adapter (Figure 3-11).

Figure 3-11: mikroProg[™] to ST-LINK[™] V2 adaper In order to adjust the ST-LINK^{III} V2 programmer to be connected to the development system, it is necessary to provide the appropriate adapter such as the **mikroProg to ST-LINK V2 adapter**.

> 2x5 headers should be first soldered on the CN3 connector pads. Then you should plug the adapter into the ST-LINK V2 programmer (2x10 header), and plug an IDC10 flat cable in headers, **Figure 3-12.**

> > Figure 3-12: Connecting ST-LINKTM V2 programmer

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Figure 3-13: mikroProgTM connection schematic

4. Buttons and LEDs

The board also contains a **(11) reset button** and a pair of **(12) buttons** and **(13) LEDs**, as well as an ON/OFF switch. The Reset button is used to manually reset the microcontroller-it generates a low voltage level on the microcontroller's reset pin. LEDs can be used for visual indication of the logic state on two pins (PE12 and PE15). An active LED indicates that a logic high (1) is present on the pin. Pressing any of the two **buttons** can change the logic state of the microcontroller pins (PEO and PA10) from logic high (1) to logic low (0). In addition to the onboard ON/OFF switch, two pads (EXT and PSW) allow you to connect your own external switch.

Figure 4-1: Two LEDs, two buttons and a reset button



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5. Power management and battery charger

clicker 2 for STM32 features LTC®3586-2, a highly integrated power management and battery charger IC that includes a current limited switching PowerPath manager. When you solder the onboard zero-ohm **[1** jumper to the LDO position (Figure 6-1), the LTC®3586-2 will provide an independent, steady power supply to the MCUs RTC from the li-polymer battery or USB, even when the rest of the system is turned off (or reset). LTC®3586 also enables battery charging over a USB connection.

Figure 5-2: power management and battery charger IC



Figure 5-1: zero-ohm J1 jumper



6. Oscillators

The STM32F407VGT6 microcontroller is equipped with an internal 16MHz RC oscillator that provides a stable clock signal. Since the chips have an integrated PLL, this base frequency is suitable for further clock multiplication. Board also contains an additional 25MHz crystal oscillator, as well as a 32.768kHz one, which provides an external clock for the internal RTCC module.



Figure 6-1: 32.768 kHz crystal oscillator module (X2)



7. USB connection

STM32F407VGT6 microcontrollers has an integrated USB module, which enables you to implement USB communication functionality to your clicker 2 board. Connection with target USB host is done over a Mini-B USB connector which is positioned next to the battery connector.

Figure 7-1: Connecting USB cable to clicker 2



Figure 7-2: USB module connection schematic









Most microcontroller pins are available for further connectivity via two 1x26 rows of connection pads on both sides of the clicker 2 for STM32 board. They are designed to match additional shields, such as Battery Boost shield, Gaming, PROTO shield and others.



9. Pinout



9.1 mikroBUS[™] pinouts

Having two mikroBUS[™] sockets and an additional connection pad, clicker 2 for STM32 utilizes all of the STM32F407VGT6's I/Os. Each of the **three UART outputs** has its own separate connection pin (either on mikroBUS[™] 1 or 2, or on the 2x26 connection pad). Of the **two SPI lines**, one is routed to mikroBUS[™] 1; the other is shared between mikroBUS[™] 2 and the pins on the connection pad. Same goes for the **two available I²C lines**.



10. click[™] boards are plug and play!

Up to now, MikroElektronika has released more than 90 mikroBUSTM compatible **click**TM **boards**. On the average, one click board is released per week. It is our intention to provide you with as many add-on boards as possible, so you will be able to expand your development board with additional functionality. Each board comes with a set of working example code. Please visit the clickTM boards webpage for the complete list of currently available boards:

www.mikroe.com/click





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11. Dimensions



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