Interrupt with LL Libraries

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GOAL

Generate an interrupt when the blue push button has been pressed

PREREQUISITES

Software needed:

- STM32IDE

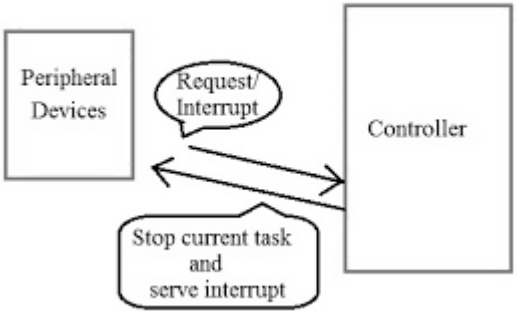
Hardware used in this example:

- **NUCLEO-F446ZE**

What is an Interrupt?

An ***interrupt*** is an asynchronous signal that allows you to manage situations in which particular attention is needed: there may be events such that it is necessary for the microcontroller to temporarily interrupt the normal execution of the program in order to execute a certain process.

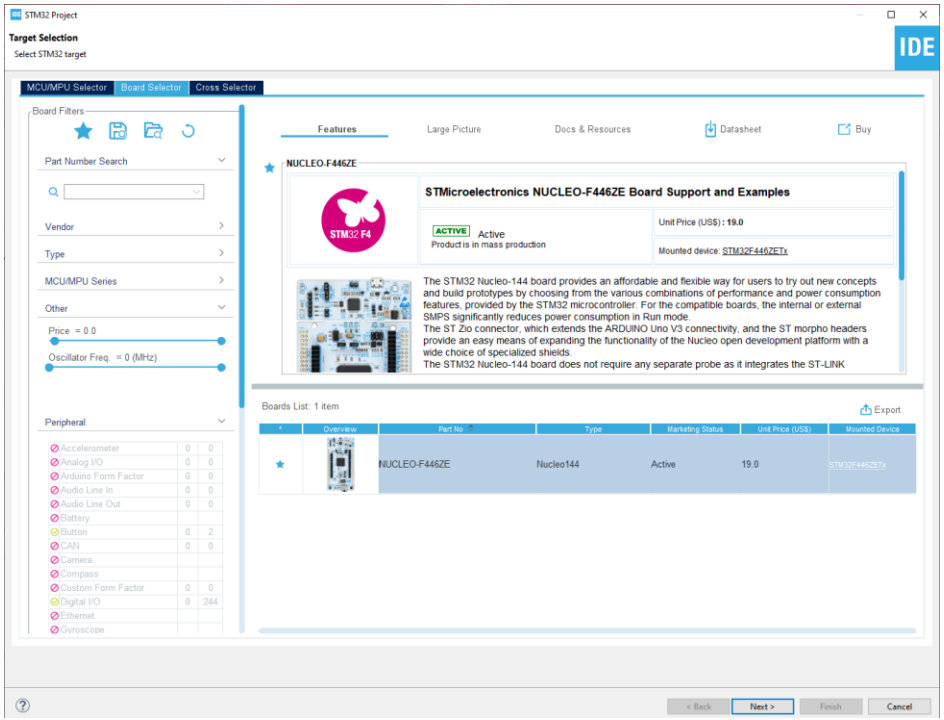
Examples that generate an interrupt may be the pressing of a button, rather than an event at regular time intervals (**timers**) or a certain input being exceeded by a certain threshold.



Start a new project

From the stm32IDE software click on File -> New -> STM32 Project.

Select your board or your uC and click *next.*



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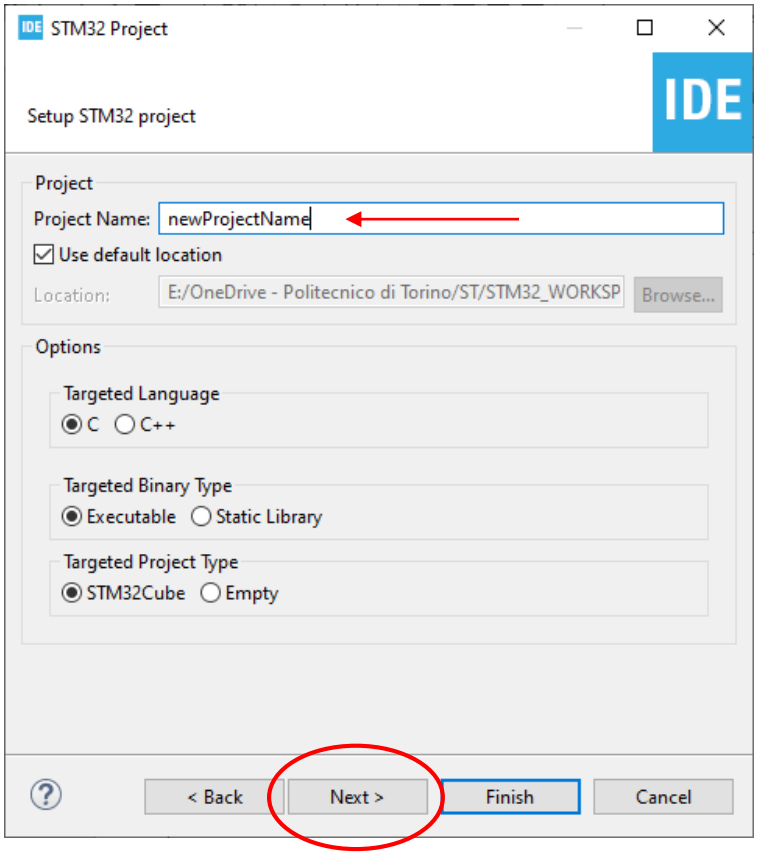

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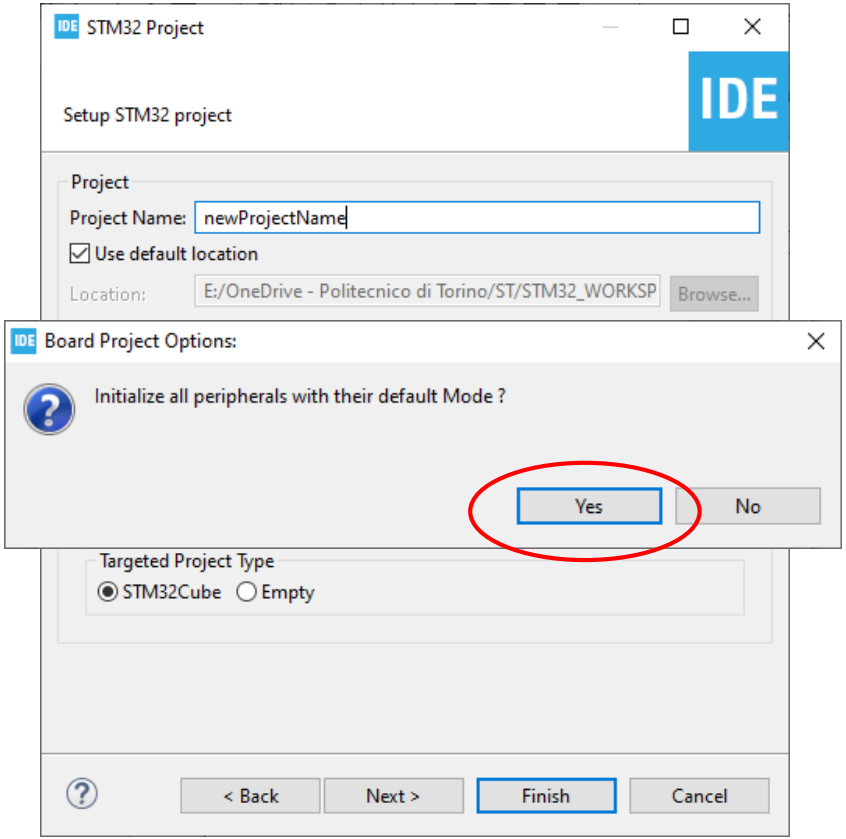
The *STM32IDE* has the option to initialize all the peripheral with their ***default*** mode:

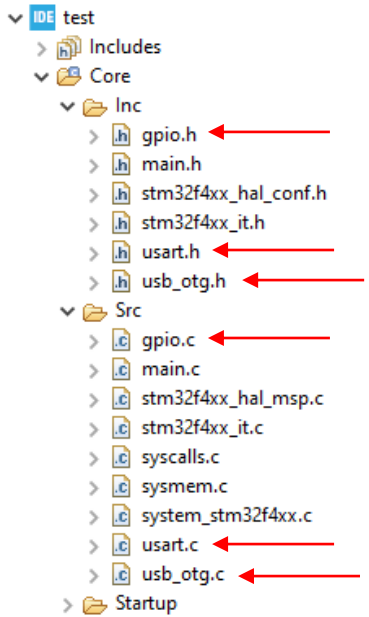
Clicking *Yes* the *USART3*, all the *LEDs* and the blue *UserButton* will be configured as default.

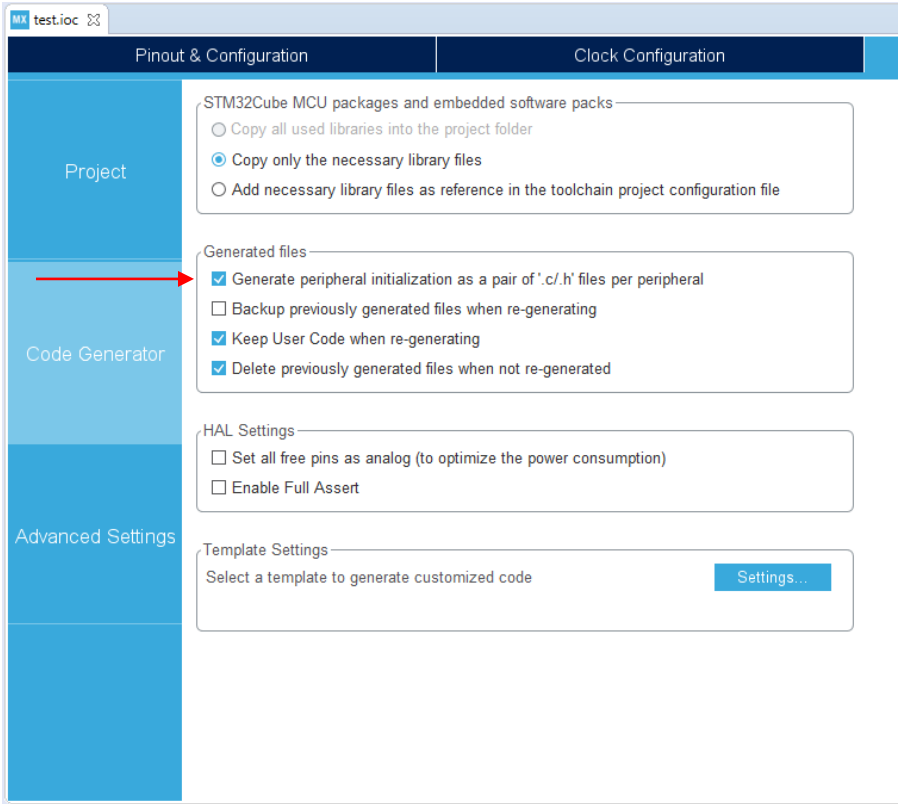
Click *Yes*.



Project Manager

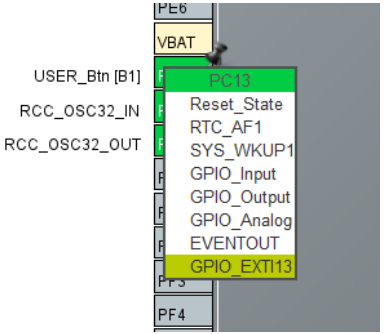
In the Code Generator Tab check the ***Generate peripheral initialization […]*** box: each periperhal will have a disting *periph.c* and *periph.h* files.

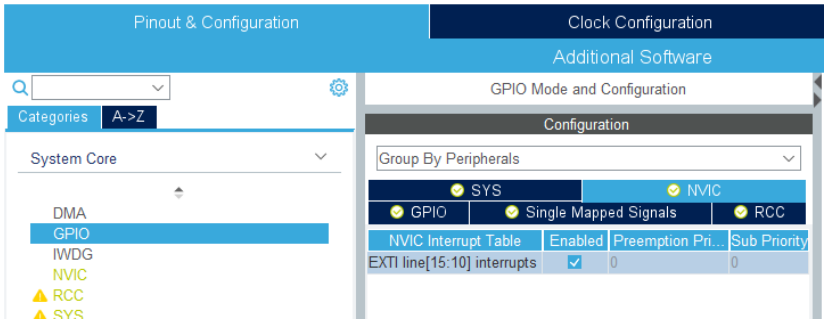




Set GPIO pin as interrupt

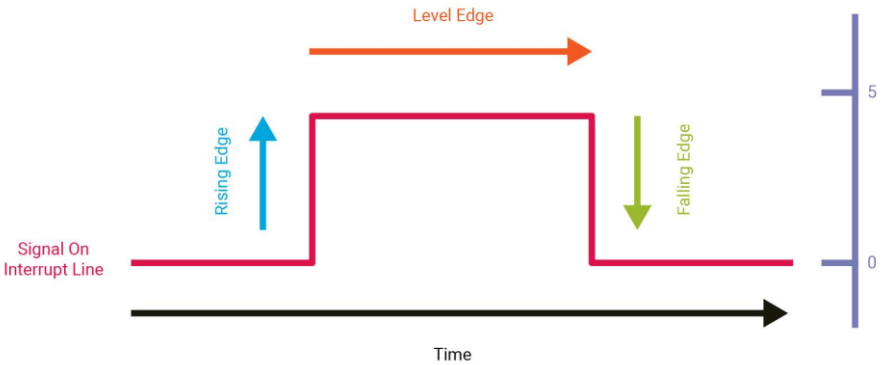
- From *CubeMX* it is necessary to set the *GPIO* pin as **GPIO_EXTIxx.**
- From the ***NVIC*** (Nested vector interrupt control) Tab we enable the interrupt: this causes *CubeMX* to worry about enabling the interrupt and setting its priority.

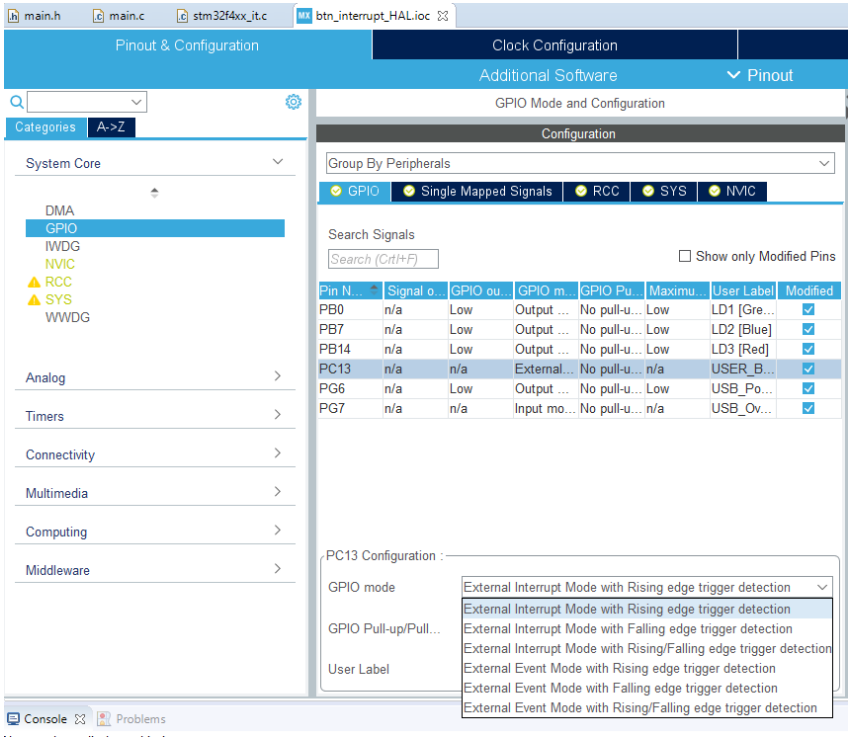




Falling & Rising edge detection

- From the GPIO card, on the other hand, it is possible to manage the interrupt mode, in particular choosing whether the interrupt should be generated when detecting the rising edge rather than the falling edge, or both.





- At this point we just have to generate the code and start writing our program. In this regard, we want to recreate the previous example but with the difference that this time when the button is pressed an ***interrupt*** will be generated.

- It is useful to note how *CubeMX* has already generated Handler for our interrupt. All Handlers are managed within the ***stm32f4xx_it.c*** file.
- The ***LL_EXTI_IsActiveFlag()*** function will take care of verifying that the interrupt was generated by the correct line.
- Each time the button is pressed, our counter variable will then be increased. It should be noted that we have called counter as an **extern** variable here, because it was defined within the ***main.c*** file.

main.h | main.c | stm32f4xx_it.c

```
198 /*******************************************************************************
199
200 /**
201   * @brief This function handles EXTI line[15:10] interrupts.
202   */
203 extern int counter;
204 void EXTI15_10_IRQHandler(void)
205 {
206   /* USER CODE BEGIN EXTI15_10_IRQn 0 */
207
208   /* USER CODE END EXTI15_10_IRQn 0 */
209   if (LL_EXTI_IsActiveFlag_0_31(LL_EXTI_LINE_13) != RESET)
210   {
211     LL_EXTI_ClearFlag_0_31(LL_EXTI_LINE_13);
212     /* USER CODE BEGIN LL_EXTI_LINE_13 */
213     counter++;
214     /* USER CODE END LL_EXTI_LINE_13 */
215   }
216   /* USER CODE BEGIN EXTI15_10_IRQn 1 */
217
218   /* USER CODE END EXTI15_10_IRQn 1 */
219 }
220
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- Now we just have to slightly modify the code that we wrote in the previous example: the function that took care of reading the button and increasing the counter has been eliminated, this is because now everything is managed through the interrupt.

main.h | main.c | stm32f4xx_it.c

```
100   /* Infinite loop */
101   /* USER CODE BEGIN WHILE */
102   while (1)
103   {
104       counter = 0 ;
105           int timer=USR_TIME; //max time for make the decision : press the button one or two times
106
107           while(timer>0 && counter<2){
108
109              timer--;
110              LL_mDelay(1);//wait 1ms
111              }
112
113           switch (counter) {
114             case 1: //blink led
115                 blink_once(BLINK_TIME,LD1_GPIO_Port, LD1_Pin);
116             break;
117             case 2: //LEDs on
118                 LL_GPIO_SetOutputPin(LD1_GPIO_Port, LD1_Pin);
119                 break;
120             default: //do nothing
121             break;
122           }
123     /* USER CODE END WHILE */
124
125     /* USER CODE BEGIN 3 */
126   }
127   /* USER CODE END 3 */
128 }
129
```

Debug

- To view the correct management of the interrupt, it may be useful to start the program in **debug** mode , put a breakpoint inside the Callback function and start debugging.
- When the button is pressed, it will take you to the function that manages the interrupt, as in the next figure.
- At this point it is possible to press resume again or move within the program using the *step arrows.*