

# Using the Programming Arduino

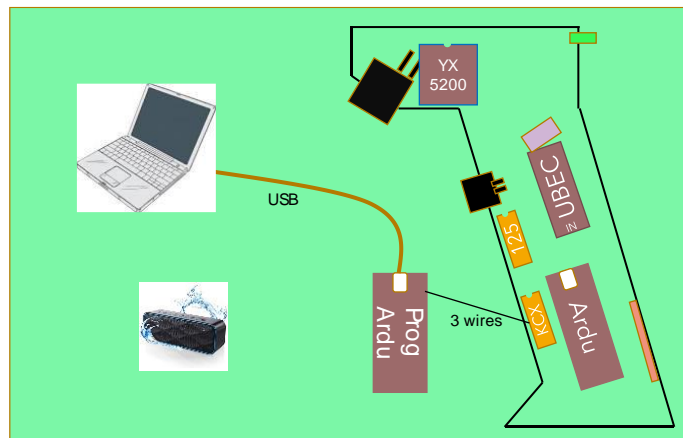
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<https://github.com/Mark-MDO47/RubberBandGun>

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We use the Programming Arduino to program the VMLINK table in the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER Bluetooth Audio Transmitter Module for the Rubber Band Gun (RBG). VMLINK is the table that stores the info on Bluetooth speakers that the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER would automatically connect to. This KCX\_BT\_EMITTER VMLINK table can store info about more than one Bluetooth receiver (speaker, headphone, etc.) device. If info about more than one Bluetooth receiver is stored in VMLINK, the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER would try to connect to the first entry that was a device that it could see on its scan of Bluetooth devices.

## Connections



## Connect the Programming Arduino

1. On Rubber Band Gun (RBG)
  - Power off RBG
  - Remove the clear cover on the handle of the RBG
  - Inside the handle, find the female jumper connectors for the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER chip (near front of handle)
    - label      color of wire
    - GND      BLACK
    - 2 RX      GREEN
    - 9 TX      YELLOW
2. On separate programming Arduino (using +5V interfaces)
  - Power off programming Arduino by disconnecting from USB
  - Connect jumper wires with male ends as follows
    - Pin color of wire
    - GND      BLACK
    - D2 RX      GREEN (Arduino TX)

- D9 TX      YELLOW (Arduino RX)
- 3. Connect the programming Arduino jumper wires to the RBG jumper wires using color as the guide.

### Disconnect the Programming Arduino

1. Ensure that programming Arduino is disconnected from USB for PC running the Arduino software
2. On Rubber Band Gun (RBG)
  - Power off RBG
3. On separate programming Arduino (using +5V interfaces)
  - Disconnect the programming Arduino jumper wires from the RBG jumper wires
4. On Rubber Band Gun (RBG)
  - Store the jumper connectors safely in the handle and attach the clear cover on the handle of the RBG

### Programming

1. Connect the Programming Arduino (see above)
2. On Rubber Band Gun (RBG)
  - Power on RBG
3. On the separate programming Arduino (using +5V interfaces)
  - Connect programming Arduino to USB for PC running the Arduino software
  - Upload the sketch from ProgrammingArduino.ino into the programming Arduino
  - Open Serial Monitor by selecting menu "Tools" -> "Serial Monitor"
4. Follow instructions on the serial monitor
  - After each selected step, wait for the string "--- KCX\_BT\_EMITTER PROGRAMMING STEP COMPLETE ---"
5. Disconnect programming Arduino from USB for PC running the Arduino software
6. Disconnect the Programming Arduino (see below)

### Sample Session

For this session, we start with the "Old and Broken" device in the VMLINK table. We want to remove that and put in our "S1 Pro" device. Because both Jim and Mark have S1 Pro Bluetooth speakers, I will label this one "S1 Pro MDO" (you do not need to use the default name provided by the manufacturer).

In order to add S1 Pro MDO we need to know what its unique address is. This can be found by turning the speaker on and telling the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER to scan for Bluetooth speakers and headphones that it can connect to.

The table below shows the Serial Monitor output from a session of programming the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER Bluetooth Audio Transmitter module. The colors for the serial monitor output column are:

- BLACK - communication from the Programming Arduino, either asking for directions or giving feedback. It often asks which "programming step" to execute: SCAN, DISPLAY, ADD, or DELETE ALL.
- RED - "AT" commands sent to the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER. It takes several "AT" commands to perform a user-selected "programming step".
- GREEN - KCX\_BT\_EMITTER direct status response to the "AT" command.
- BLUE - communication from the KCX\_BT\_EMITTER reporting what it sees on its scan.

| Programming Arduino Serial Monitor output  | Comments  |
|--|---|
| Bluetooth Programming Arduino init... completed!<br>1 - Scan for Bluetooth receiver devices (such as speaker, headphones, etc.)<br>2 - Display stored auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices<br>3 - Add one auto-connect Bluetooth receiver device to storage<br>4 - Delete all auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices from storage<br>==> | Startup<br>Request user to command action<br><br>User types in number |
| 1=SCAN   | feedback to user on selection   |
| ALL Devices=0  | Scan output from KCS_BT_EMITTER                                       |
|  |   |
| --CMD 0 AT+  | "Aliveness" command   |
| OK+  | command response  |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   | Scan output   |
|  |   |
| --CMD 1 AT+REST  | RESET cmd to KCS_BT_EMITTER   |
| OK+REST  | command response  |
| POWER ON   | command response  |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   | Scan output   |
|  |   |
| --CMD 2 AT+SCAN  | SCAN cmd to KCS_BT_EMITTER  |
| OK+SCAN  |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro   | Scan output   |
|  |   |
| --- KCX_BT_EMITTER PROGRAMMING STEP COMPLETE ---<br>1 - Scan for Bluetooth receiver devices (such as speaker, headphones, etc.)<br>2 - Display stored auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices<br>3 - Add one auto-connect Bluetooth receiver device to storage<br>4 - Delete all auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices from storage<br>==> |   |
| 2=DISPLAY  |   |
|  |   |
| --CMD 0 AT+  |   |
| OK+  |   |
| ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |   |
|  |   |

| Programming Arduino Serial Monitor output                                   | Comments  |
|---|---|
| --CMD 1 AT+REST   |   |
| OK+REST   |   |
| POWER ON  |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro                              |   |
| ALL Devices=1   |   |
| MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |   |
|   |   |
| --CMD 2 AT+VMLINK?  | Show the VMLINK info cmd  |
| OK+VMLINK   | Old and Broken device is in the VMLINK table, but we want to remove that and put in our S1 Pro device |
| BT_ADD_NUM=1  |   |
| BT_NAME_NUM=1   |   |
| Last_Add=0x0000000000   |   |
| VM_MacAdd0=0x0000000012   |   |
| VM_Name0=Old and Broken   |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro                              |   |
| ALL Devices=1   |   |
| MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |   |
|   |   |
| --- KCX_BT_EMITTER PROGRAMMING STEP COMPLETE ---                            |   |
| 1 - Scan for Bluetooth receiver devices (such as speaker, headphones, etc.) |   |
| 2 - Display stored auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices                  |   |
| 3 - Add one auto-connect Bluetooth receiver device to storage               |   |
| 4 - Delete all auto-connect Bluetooth receiver devices from storage         |   |
| ==>   |   |
| 4=DELETE ALL  |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro                              |   |
| ALL Devices=1   |   |
|   |   |
| --CMD 0 AT+   |   |
| OK+   |   |
| ALL Devices=1   |   |
| MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro                              |   |
|   |   |
| --CMD 1 AT+REST   | RESET command   |
| OK+REST   |   |
| POWER ON  |   |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro                              |   |
| ALL Devices=1   |   |
| MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |   |
|   |   |
| --CMD 2 AT+DISCON   | DISCONNECT in case we were connected  |
| OK+DISCON   |   |
| ALL Devices=0   |   |
|   |   |
| --CMD 3 AT+DELVMLINK  | Delete everything in VMLINK   |
| Delete Vmlink   |   |
|   |   |

| Programming Arduino Serial Monitor output  | Comments   |
|--|--|
| --CMD 4 AT+REST  | RESET so we read and use the new VMLINK table (all empty now)  |
| OK+REST<br>POWER ON  |  |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   |  |
| --CMD 5 AT+VMLINK?   | Display VMLINK again   |
| OK+VMLINK<br>BT_ADD_NUM=0<br>BT_NAME_NUM=0<br>Last_Add=0xf44efdec39d   | all empty  |
| New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>CONNECTED<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro  | NOTE: it says CONNECTED because there is nothing in the VMLINK and it knows <u>how to</u> and <u>did</u> connect to the S1 Pro speaker. It did not connect before because it had VMLINK and it did not match with the speaker. |
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| 3=ADD  | Now we add the S1 Pro MDO to VMLINK  |
| Enter the unique MAC address for the Bluetooth speaker or headphones; it starts with 0x upper or lower case does not matter; maximum of 12 characters after the 0x<br>To abort adding an auto-connect Bluetooth receiver device to storage, just enter an empty line<br>==>  |  |
| Your entry "0xf44efdec39d" was accepted  | Get the address from the SCAN  |
| Enter the name you choose for this device; it is OK to place spaces between words maximum of 20 characters total<br>To abort adding an auto-connect Bluetooth receiver device to storage, just enter an empty line<br>==>  |  |
| Your entry "S1 Pro MDO" was accepted   | Just about any name you want   |
| --CMD 0 AT+  | Now we do a command sequence to add that BT device to VMLINK   |
| OK+  |  |
| --CMD 1 AT+DISCON  |  |
| OK+DISCON<br>DISCONNECT  |  |

| Programming Arduino Serial Monitor output  | Comments   |
|--|--|
| --CMD 2 AT+VMLINK?   | Display VMLINK   |
| OK+VMLINK<br>BT_ADD_NUM=0<br>BT_NAME_NUM=0<br>Last_Add=0xf44efdec39d   | There is nothing in VMLINK before we do our ADD  |
| --CMD 3 AT+ADDLINKADD=0xf44efdec39d  | ADD the MAC Address  |
| OK+<br>ADDLINKADD<br>VM_MacAdd 1 =0xf44efdec39d  |  |
| --CMD 4 AT+ADDLINKNAME=S1 Pro MDO  | ADD our name - does not have to match the name the manufacturer gave it  |
| OK+ADDLINKNAME<br>VM_Name 0 =S1 Pro MDO  |  |
| --CMD 5 AT+REST  | We RESET to force it to read and use the modified VMLINK   |
| OK+REST<br>POWER ON<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro<br>New Devices:1,MacAdd:0xf44efdec39d,Name:S1 Pro  |  |
| --CMD 6 AT+VMLINK?   | Make sure we put the right stuff in the VMLINK   |
| OK+VMLINK<br>BT_ADD_NUM=1<br>BT_NAME_NUM=1<br>Last_Add=0xf44efdec39d<br>VM_MacAdd0=0xf44efdec39d<br>VM_Name0=S1 Pro MDO<br>CONNECTED<br>ALL Devices=1<br>MacAddr=0xf44efdec39d,Name=S1 Pro   | OK that is from our ADD  |
| ---  | It CONNECTED because<br>(1) it came out of RESET and read VMLINK,<br>(2) it found the device, and<br>(3) it matched the VMLINK address |
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