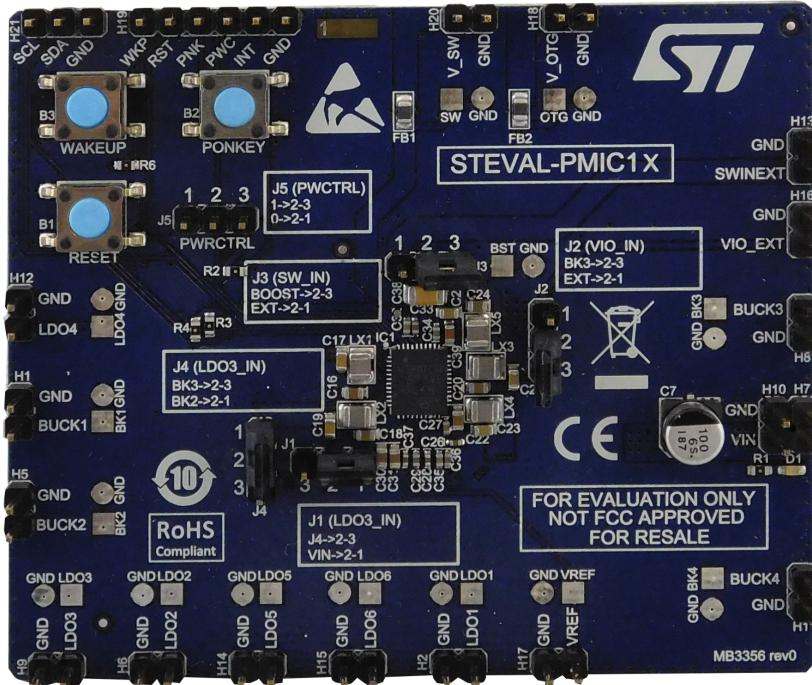


The STPMIC1 I²C programming guide

Introduction

This application note provides a detailed description of the programming function of the STPMIC1. It also describes the minimal system requirements and instructions to program the NVM for a selected power-up configuration. All examples assume that the customer uses any silicon review and has a base- knowledge of BUS I²C programming.

Figure 1. STEVAL-PMIC1x



1 General considerations

This section provides some detailed information about the STPMIC1 (re)program stand-alone function. It outlines the system requirements and the instructions needed to (re)program the NVM content for a selected power-up configuration.

The STPMIC1 has a non-volatile memory (NVM) that stores essential settings, which are applied to each startup of the device. Programmability of the NVM allows the STPMIC1 to be fit to different use cases. User accessible NVM content is:

- Default output voltages
- Power-up/down sequence
- Protection behavior
- I²C slave device address
- Auto turn-on and other various features (see the STPMIC1 datasheet for further details)

Three standard NVM configurations are available from the manufacturing company: the STPMIC1A, STPMIC1B and STPMIC1C. The STPMIC1C is turned ON after applying the input voltage, but all output voltages are not turned ON with Rank0 by default. To facilitate mass production, each of them can be re-programmed by I²C directly into the target application. The procedure is being described below.

To access the I²C interface of the STPMIC1, a simple standard I²C, a USB adapter connected to the PC and a terminal emulation software (Hyper Terminal, PuTTY, RealTerm, etc...) are enough.

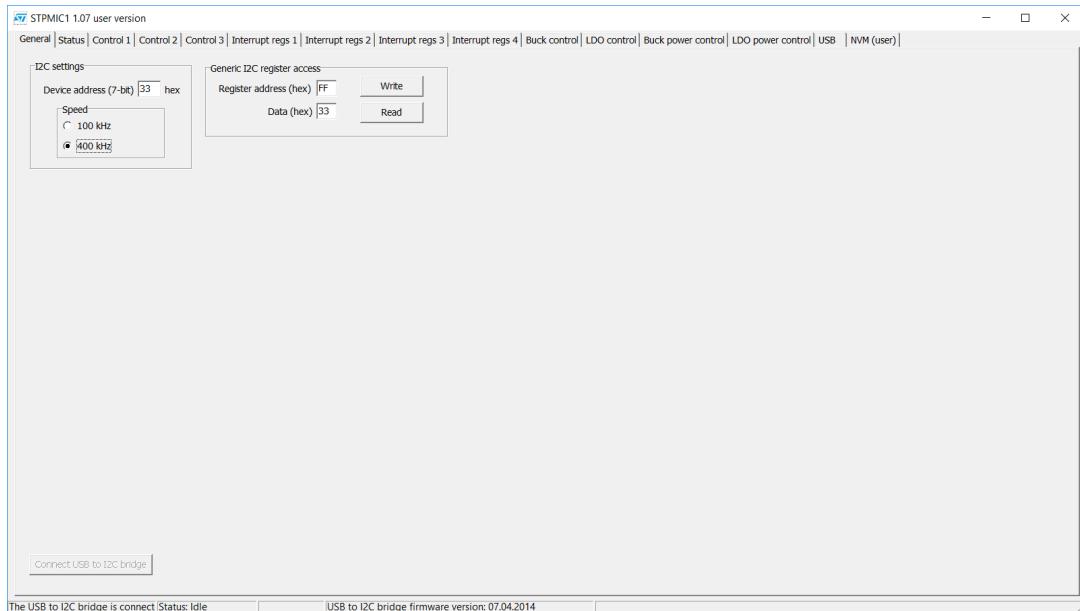
The communication is still present even if the device is in stand-by mode or OFF mode and VIO voltage is provided.

In this document, some examples of this procedure are described, using our USBSTICK I²C to a USB adapter and the dedicated STPMIC1 GUI, directly addressing the registers and changing their content (using the general tab or a dedicated tab of the GUI program).

Figure 2. USBSTICK – I²C to USB interface



Figure 3. ST GUI interface

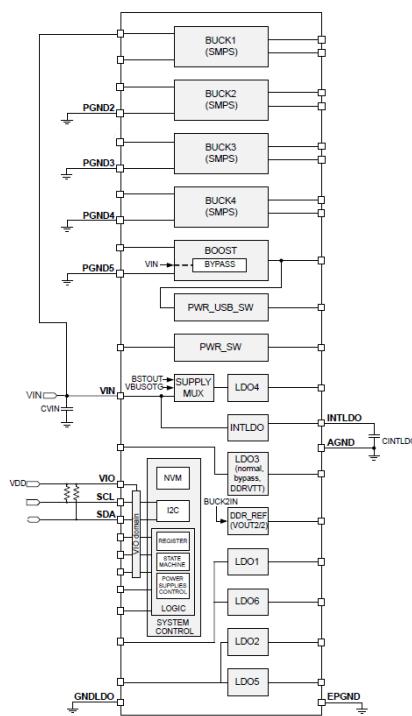


1.1 Hardware considerations

The minimum system requirements to program the NVM content are:

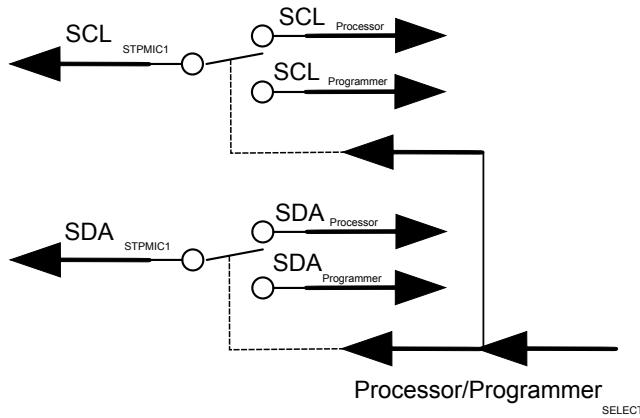
- An I²C communication interface to communicate with the STPMIC1
- A power supply providing 3.8 V for VIN and 3.3 V for VIO pins
- All GND pins connected to ground

Figure 4. Minimum system requirements



In the final customer application, VIN, VIO and I²C BUS communication must be isolated by using solder shorts or 0 Ω resistors to switch between external programmer or the onboard micro-processor. However, minor rework of the board is required once the NVM content is (re)programmed. Better, but more expensive if compared with the solder shorts or 0 Ω resistor, is the use of a switch to isolate the I²C BUS.

Figure 5. I²C BUS



In the STPMIC1x demo board, the VIN, I²C BUS and VIO_EXT connectors are available, but you need to set the J2 to use the header H16 to supply 3.3 VIO externally.

1.2

Programming steps

The following steps are valid for the all system requirements already described:

- Turn ON the power supply at 3.8 VIN 100 mA and 3.3 V 100 mA for VIO
- Generic I²C to USB converter (VCP) or the USBSTICK using ST GUI
- Check the I²C communication by read the default device address at 0xFF = 0x33 (I2C_ADDR[6:0]: '0110011')
- Change the NVM shadow register values according to the customer application needs, see the STPMIC1 datasheet for more details
- Transfer the new NVM shadow register values to the NVM content by starting the "NVM write operation" using the address 0xB9 and write the value 0x01 (NVM_CMD[1:0] = '01')
- Done, new configuration is available in the next power-up cycle

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Example 1: how to change I²C device address

The default device address, of the STPMIC1, is 0x33. If the application needs a different value, it can be changed as described below.

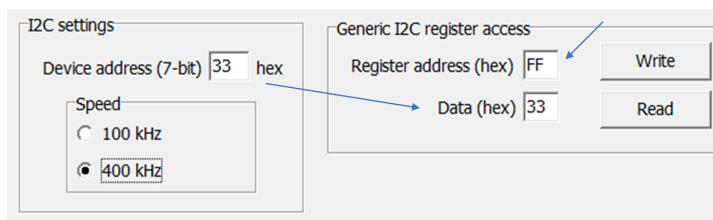
It is very important to consider that the device address is changed instantly after writing procedure and a change of the settings of terminal/software is needed to properly communicate with the STPMIC1 (this programming behavior is valid for the I²C device address only).

1.3.1

GUI use

For this example, the "General" of the GUI is used.

Figure 6. General tab



The figure above shows on the left side I²C settings, 0x33 (7bit) device address and the communication speed. By clicking the "Read" button with the register 0xFF selected (you can omit 0x) and put FF on register address window, its content is shown on "Data" field, 33 (0x33) the default device address. A new value: 34 (0x34) is now entered in the "Data" field, then click "Write" button. The new address is applied immediately, so to further communicate by the GUI, the I²C settings need to be updated with the new address value 34 otherwise an I²C communication error is sent. See figures below.

Figure 7. I²C settings

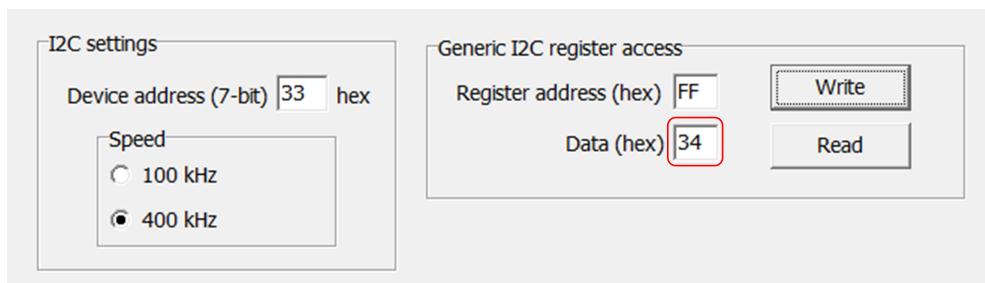
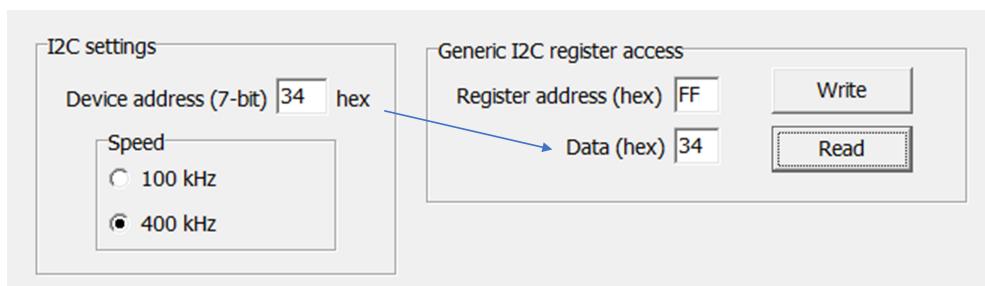


Figure 8. I²C settings with new address value 34



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Command line use

For a standard terminal emulator (like PuTTY, RealTerm, etc...) the following read/write command syntax has to be used after setting the hardware interface (Com port, Baud speed, Parity and Data Bits):

i2cget -y 0 <DEVICE ADDRESS> <ADDRESS> (read)

-y skip the prompt for confirmation from the i2cget command
0 the I²C bus to use, denoted as bus 0
<DEVICE ADDRESS> the address of the slave device, [0x33]
<REGISTER> the register on the slave to read from, [0xFF]

i2cset -y 0 <DEVICE ADDRESS> <ADDRESS> <VALUE> (write)

-y skip the prompt for confirmation from the i2cget command
0 the I²C bus to use, denoted as bus 0
<DEVICE ADDRESS> the address of the slave device, [0x33]
<REGISTER> the register on the slave to write to, [0xFF]
<VALUE> the value to write, [0x34]

Below, step by step, an example on how to change the device address from 0x33 to 0x34

- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFF to 0x33 (read address value)
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFF 0x34 (write new address value)
- i2cget -y 0 0x34 0xFF to 0x34 (read new address value)
- i2cset -y 0 0x34 0xB9 0x01 (NVM write operation)

Please note that changes, made on the NVM shadow registers of the device, make permanent any change, an “NVM write operation” needs to be performed by accessing the NVM control register. If this operation is not performed, previously programmed, I²C address is loaded by NVM during next power-up sequence.

The NVM control register is located at address 0xB9 in which, the NVM write operation is performed by writing the data 0x01.

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Example 2: how to change NVM content from the STPMIC1A to the STPMIC1B

The STPMIC1A version can be (re)programmed to the STPMIC1B version; the main differences between the two version are:

- LDO2 from 1.8 V to 2.9 V
- LDO2 from RANK0 to RANK2
- BUCK3 from 3.3 V to 1.8 V
- VINOK_Rise from 3.5 V to 3.3 V

The addresses to make the changes are:

- **LDO2_VOUT** 0xFD bit [3:2]
- **LDO2_RANK** 0xFA bit [3:2]
- **BUCK3_VOUT** 0xFC bit [5:4]
- **VINOK_THRES** 0xF8 bit [5:4]

1.4.1 GUI use

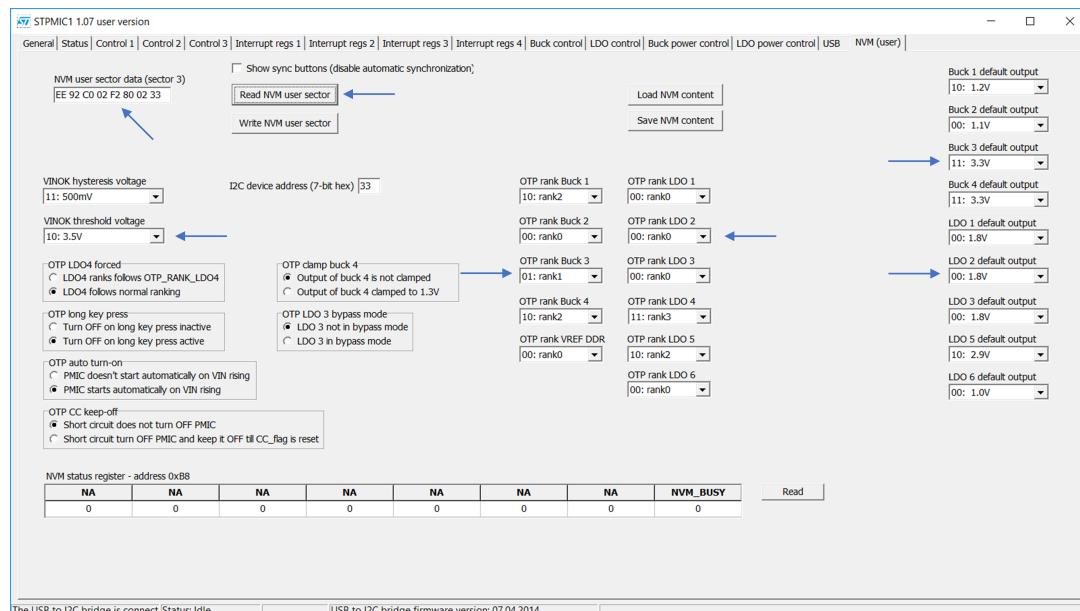
The GUI software has dedicated tabs to read/write by clicking a button, below you can see the page for NVM content (as a configurator). By clicking “Read NVM user sector” you can read the STPMIC1 version, the window “NVM user sector data” shows the NVM content and for version **A** the result is:

EE 92 C0 02 F2 80 02 33

The 4 bits highlighted must be changed to obtain the **B** version starting from the **A** version

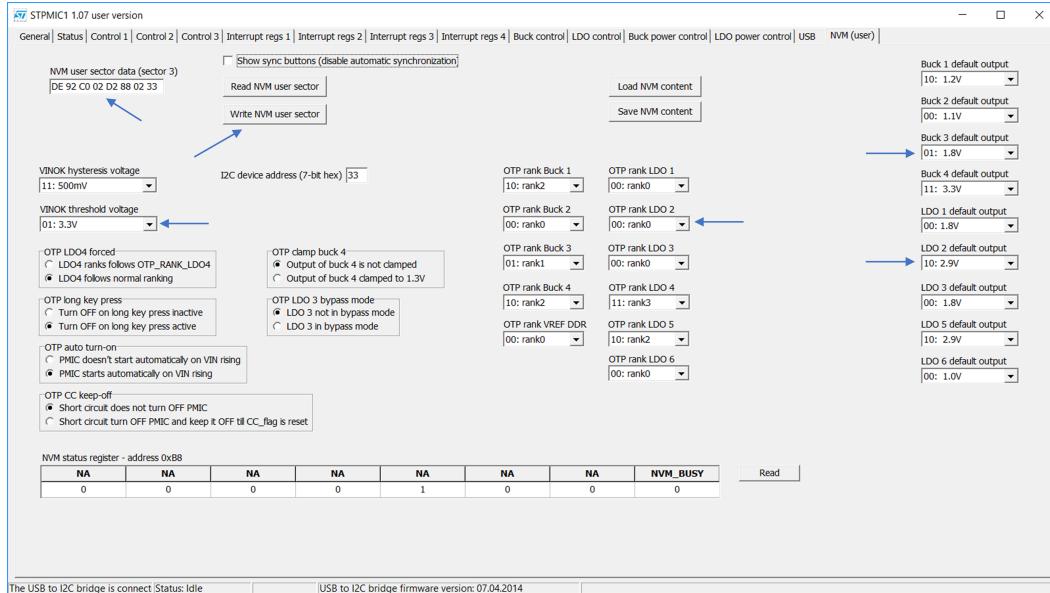
DE 92 C8 02 D2 88 02 33

Figure 9. NVM user version A



The figure below shows the right settings to convert the STPMIC1 to version **B**. The “NVM write operation” starts automatically by clicking the “Write NVM user sector” button and all contents are transferred from shadow registers to the NVM contents, the next power ON cycle makes effective the changes.

Figure 10. NVM user version B



1.4.2 Command line use

First, read the default values for **A** version using the commands below:

- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xF8-> 0xEE
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFA -> 0xC0
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFC -> 0xF2
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFD -> 0x80

Then, write changes to convert **A** to **B** version using the commands below:

- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xF8 0xDE
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFA 0xC8
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFC 0xD2
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFD 0x88
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xB9 0x01 (NVM write operation)
- Done, new configuration is available the next power-up cycle

1.5

Example 3: how to change NVM content from the STPMIC1C to STPMIC1A

The STPMIC1C version can be (re)programmed to the STPMIC1A version; the main differences between the two version are:

- All LDOs output voltages
- All LDOs Rank#
- All buck converters output voltages
- All buck converters Rank#
- All optional settings by default

1.5.1

GUI use

The GUI software has dedicated tabs to read/write by clicking a button. Below the page for NVM content (as a configurator) is visible.

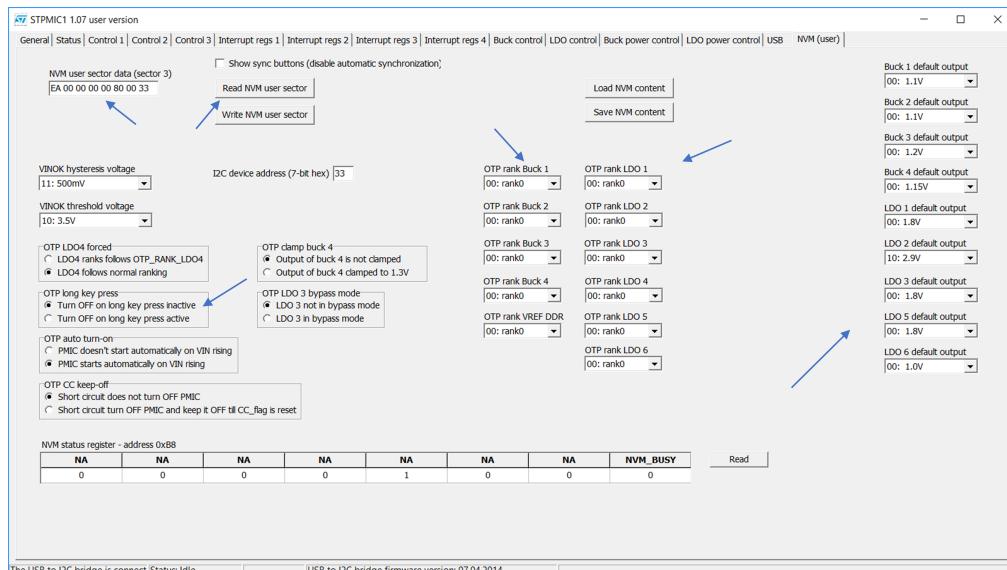
By clicking "Read NVM user sector", the STPMIC1 version can be read and the window "NVM user sector data" shows the NVM content; concerning version **C**, the result is:

EA 00 00 00 00 80 00 33

The values below must be written to convert the STPMIC1 version from **C** to **A**

EE 92 C0 02 F2 80 02 33

Figure 11. NVM user version C

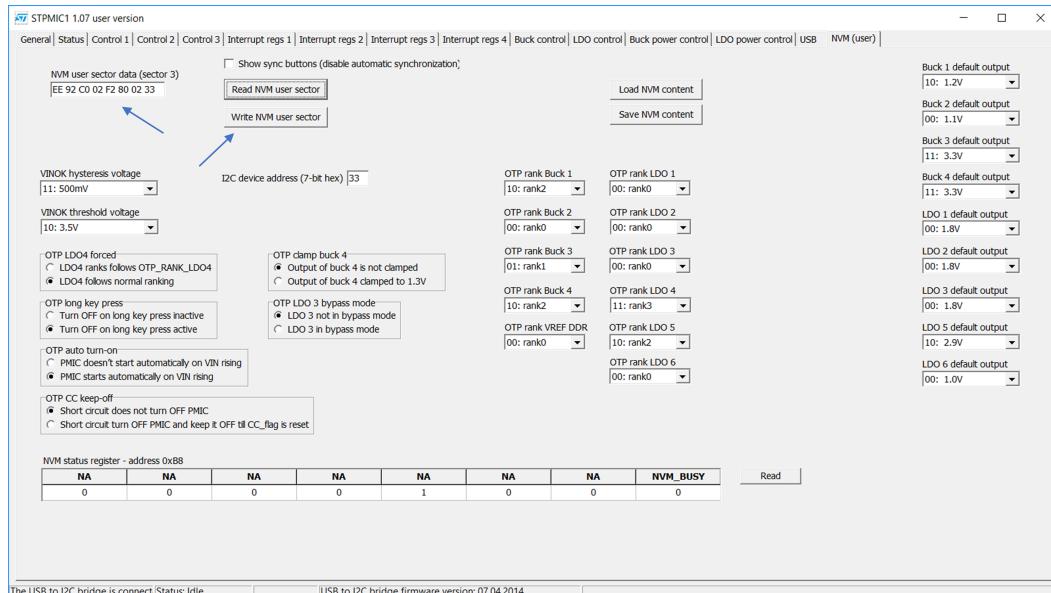


The following steps should be performed:

- Set all output voltages the application needs
- Set all Rank numbers for all the output voltages
- Set long press key function

The figure below shows the right settings to program the STPMIC1 version A. The “NVM write operation” starts automatically by clicking the “Write NVM user sector” button and all contents are transferred from shadow registers to the NVM contents, the next power ON cycle makes effective the changes.

Figure 12. NVM user version A



1.5.2 Command line use

First step, read the default values for **C** version using the commands below:

- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xF8 -> 0xEA
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xF9 -> 0x00
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFA -> 0x00
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFB -> 0x00
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFC -> 0x00
- i2cget -y 0 0x33 0xFE -> 0x00

Then, write changes to convert **C** to **A** version using the commands and values below:

- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xF8 0xEE
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xF9 0x92
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFA 0xC0
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFB 0x02
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFC 0xF2
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xFE 0x02
- i2cset -y 0 0x33 0xB9 0x01 (NVM write operation)
- Done, new configuration is available next power-up cycle

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