

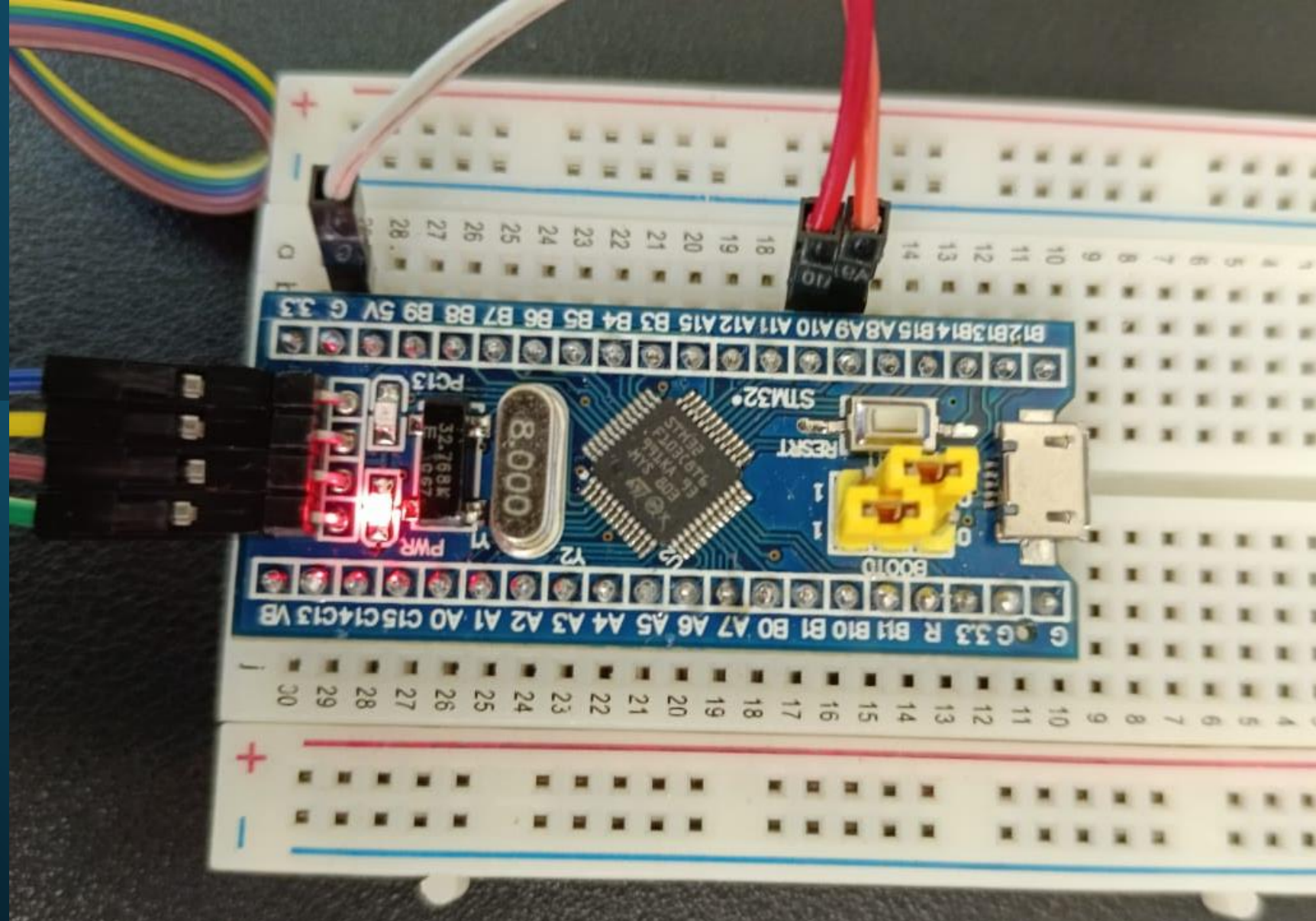
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# Getting Start with STM32 using STM32CubeIDE and HAL



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# Outlines

Cognition – Good to know!

- Objectives of this short course
- Arduino and STM32 – Learning scope
- Brief on ARM and STM32
- What is MCU?

This Short Course (Hands-on)

- The training kit
- The preparation
- First Project – very important
- Practices





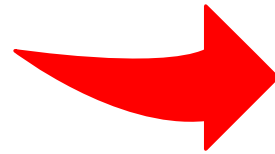
Objectives of  
this short course



# Arduino and STM32 – Learning scopes

## Arduino UNO

- ATmega328P
- Which company? Who cares?
- Datasheet – anyone read?
- IDE and libraries? Many from third parties.
- Libraries – who read them?



## STM32

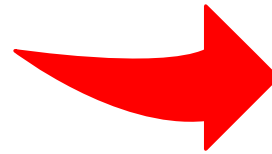
- STM32 MCU families
- ST
- Datasheet – we do care
- IDE and HAL.
- Copy customized .c and .h

*All hardware engineers care about spec/datasheets on all MCUs and ICs.*

# Arduino and STM32 – Learning scopes

## Arduino UNO

- Exploring registers?
- Is anyone trying to understand them?
- I2C/SPI electronic parts?
- Interrupts / Timer / PWM / UART / ADC ?
- Live debugging?



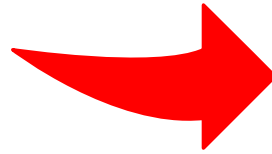
## STM32

- We do care the registers
- We do care – Specification/datasheet of I2C/SPI electronic parts
- Registers for Interrupts / Timer / PWM / USART / DMA /USB / ADC / RTC
- Live debugging

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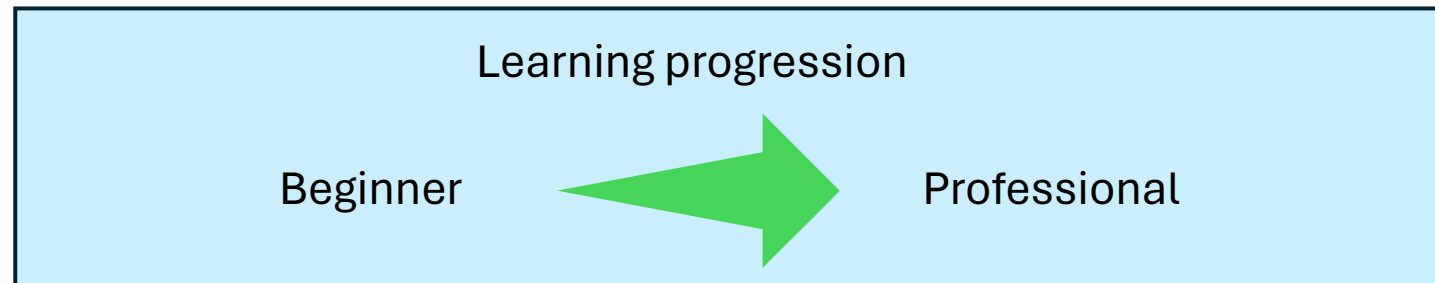
## Arduino UNO

- Anyone care?
- Production?
- Flashing ? duplicates, erase, password protected?



## STM32

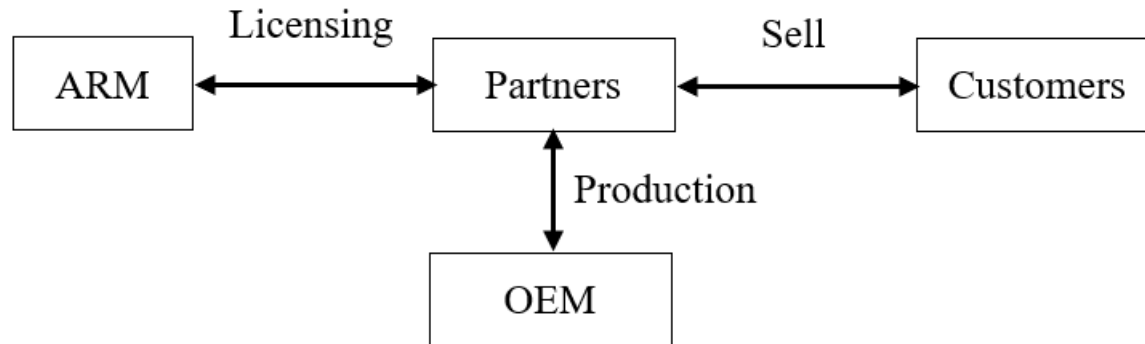
- Part of the exercises
- Tools for flashing



*\* ATmega328P could be flashed in production.*

# Brief on ARM and STM32

## ARM Licensing model (simplified)



## Partners

1. Broadcom
2. Apple
3. ST
4. Microchip
5. Etc.

- ARM licenses IP to over 1,000 global partners (including Samsung, Apple, Microsoft).
- See modules

*See the website for Licensing Model Options*

*\* MCU, MP, GPU, , AI, IoT, etc.*

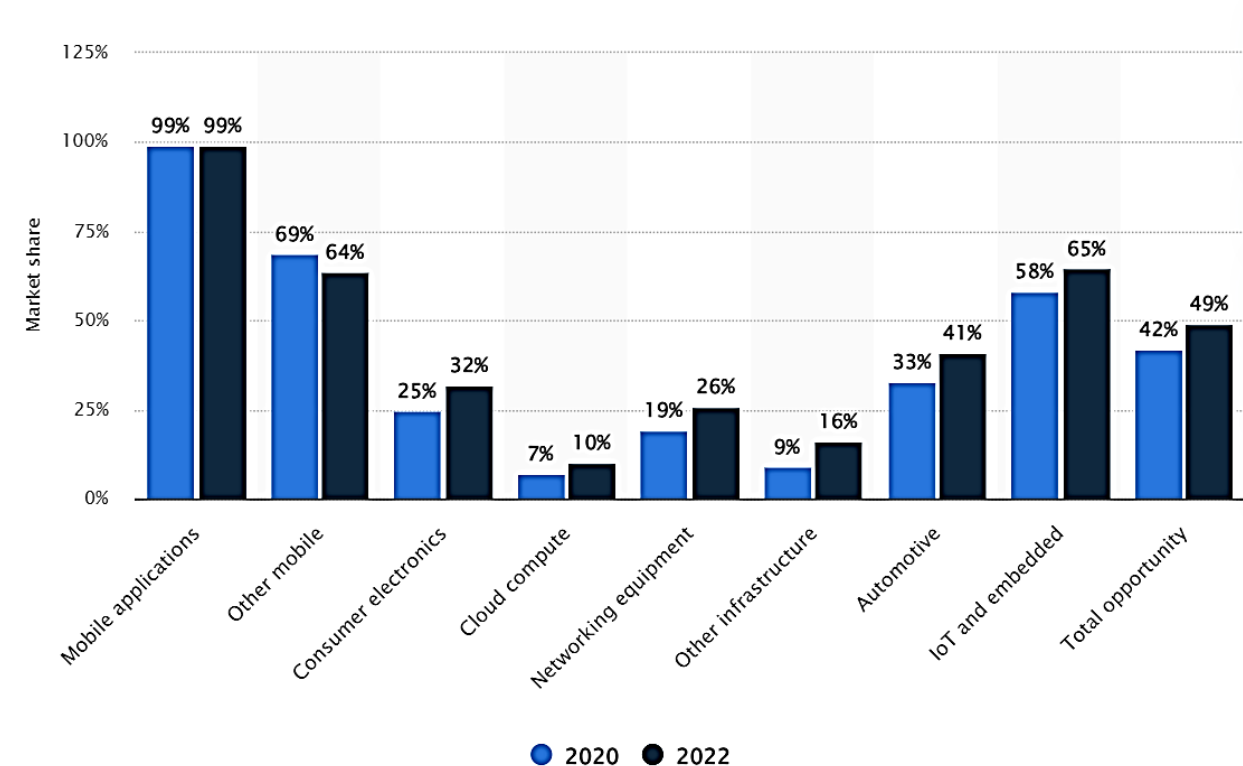


# Brief on ARM and STM32











## Popular

1. Low energy consumption, low cost, high performance
2. Support 16/32 instruction sets
3. Many partners
4. Rich ecosystem
5. Many more reasons...

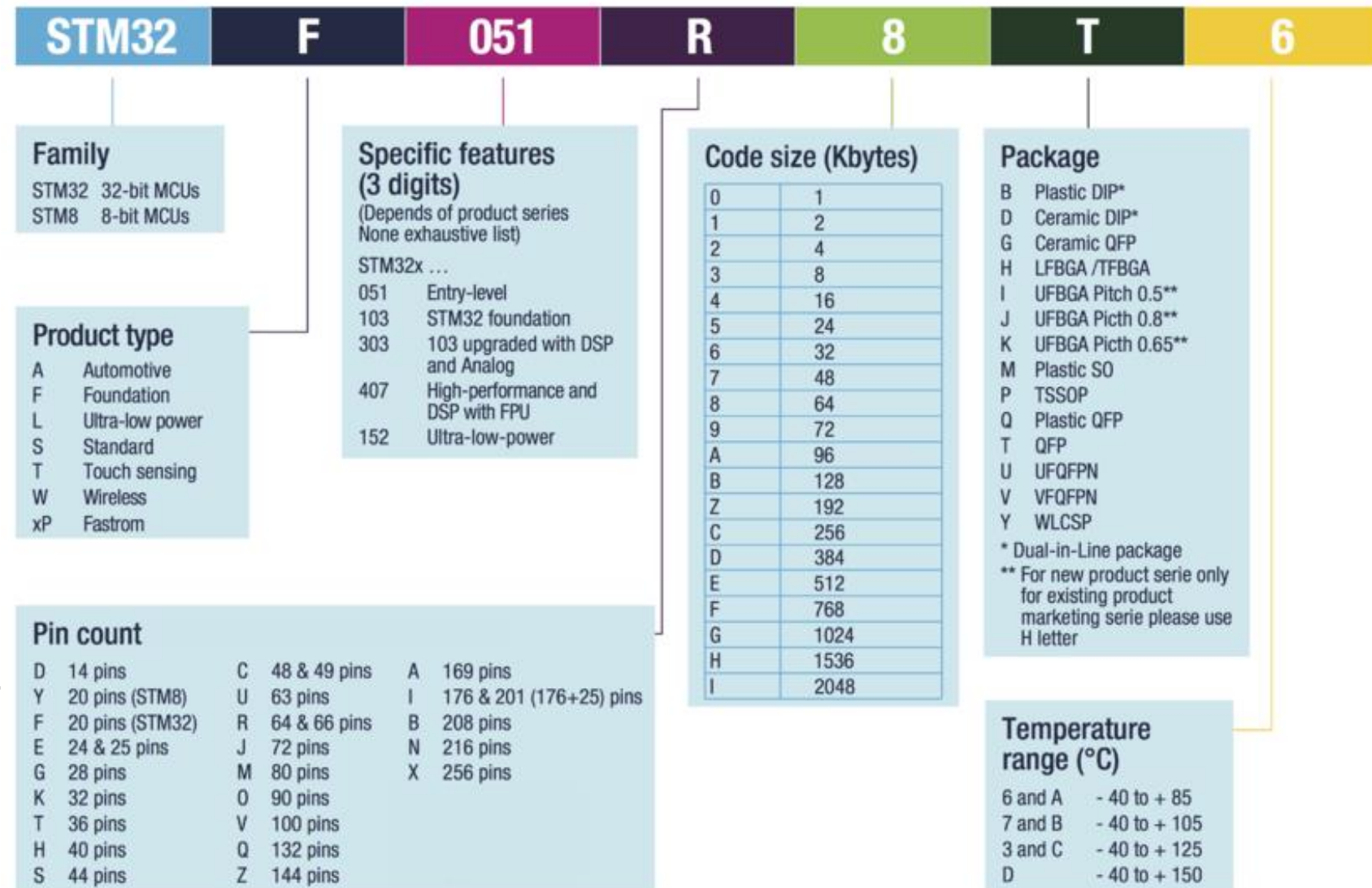
## Market



# ARM and STM32

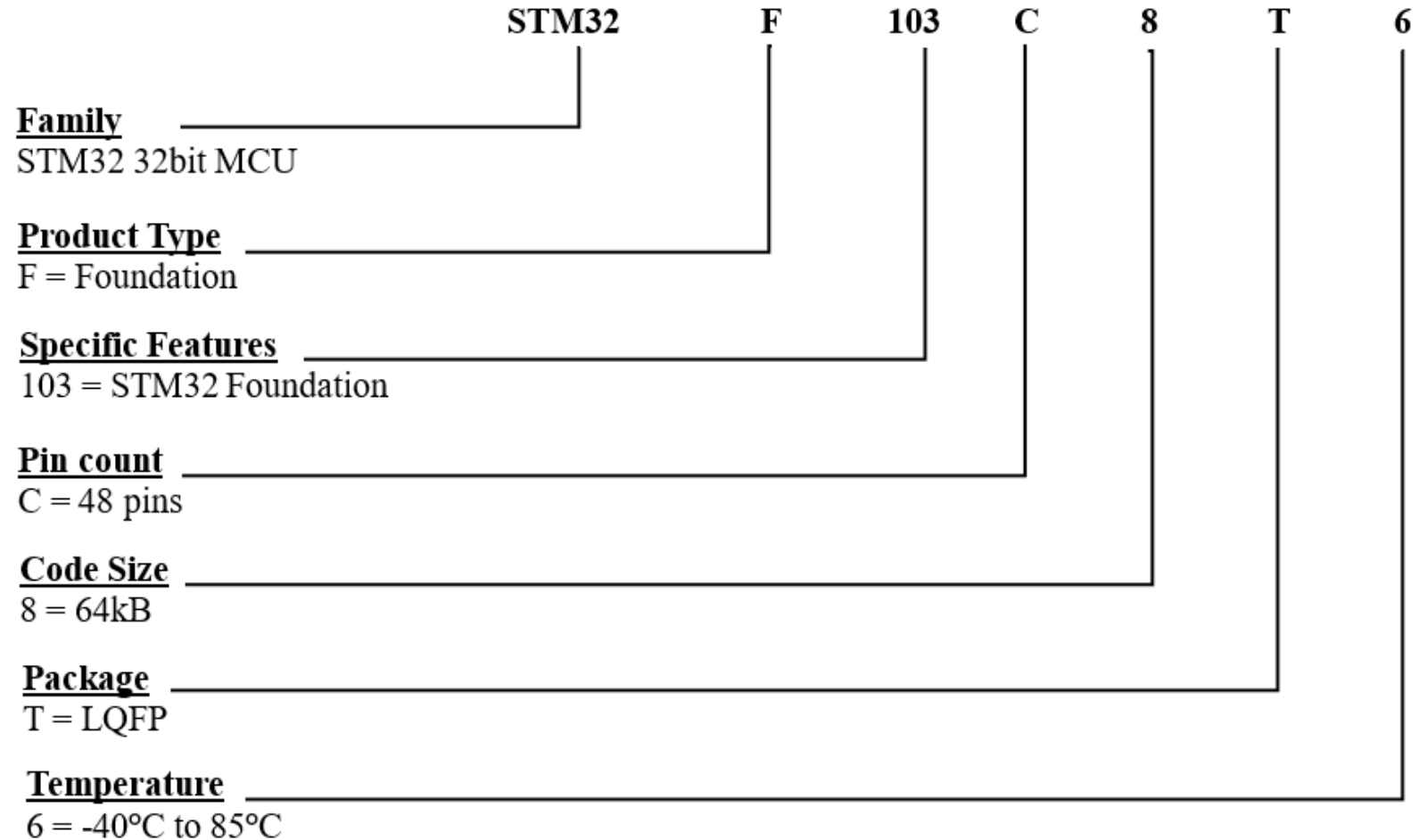
STM32 MCUs					32-bit Arm® Cortex®-M			
 High Performance					STM32F7 1082 CoreMark 216 MHz Cortex-M7		STM32H7 Up to 3224 CoreMark Up to 600 MHz Cortex-M7 240 MHz Cortex-M4	
	STM32F2 398 CoreMark 120 MHz Cortex-M3		STM32F4 608 CoreMark 180 MHz Cortex-M4		STM32H5 Up to 1023 CoreMark 250 MHz Cortex-M33			
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							STM32WBA 407 CoreMark 100 MHz Cortex-M33	
 Cortex-M0+ Radio co-processor								

# STM32 MCU



# Example

## STM32 F103C8T6



# What is MCU?

- Quote from Wiki –

“A microcontroller (MC, UC, or  $\mu$ C) or microcontroller unit (MCU) is a small computer on **a single integrated circuit**. A microcontroller contains one or more CPUs (**processor cores**) along with **memory** and **programmable input/output peripherals**.”

# What is MCU?

## Embedded System

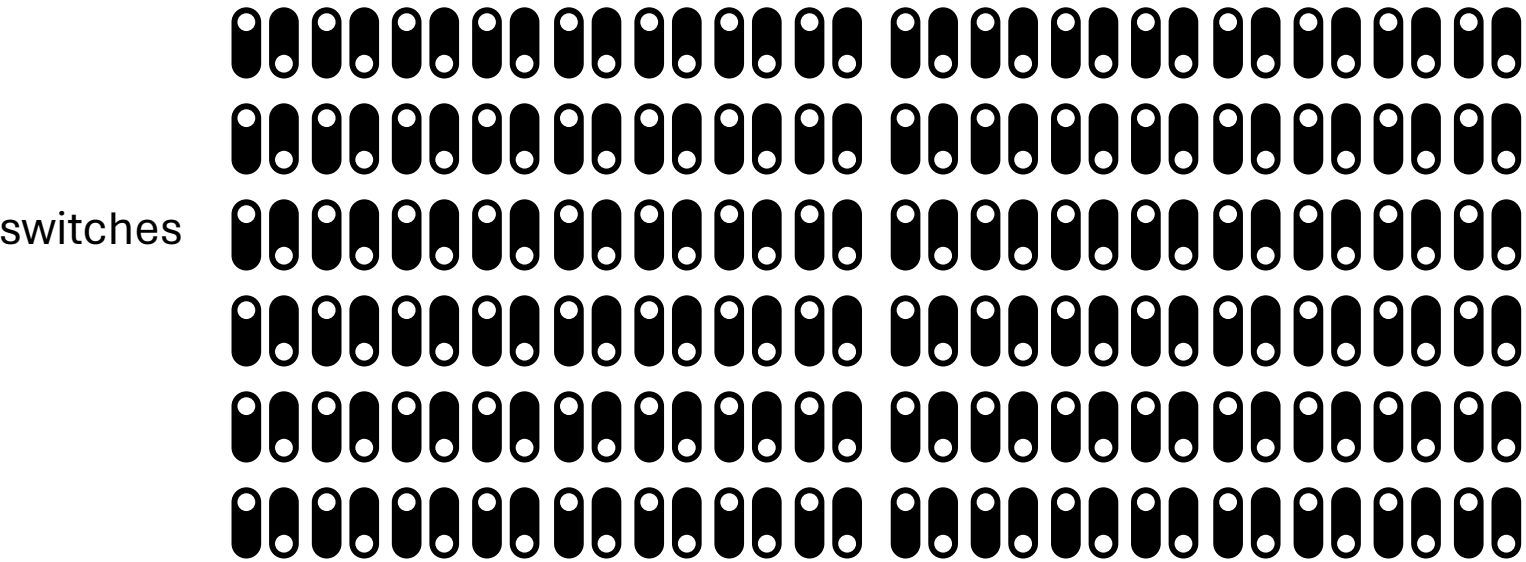
- Used in many applications
- home appliances, automotive systems, medical devices, and industrial control systems.
- consumer electronics products, such as gaming systems, digital cameras, and audio players.



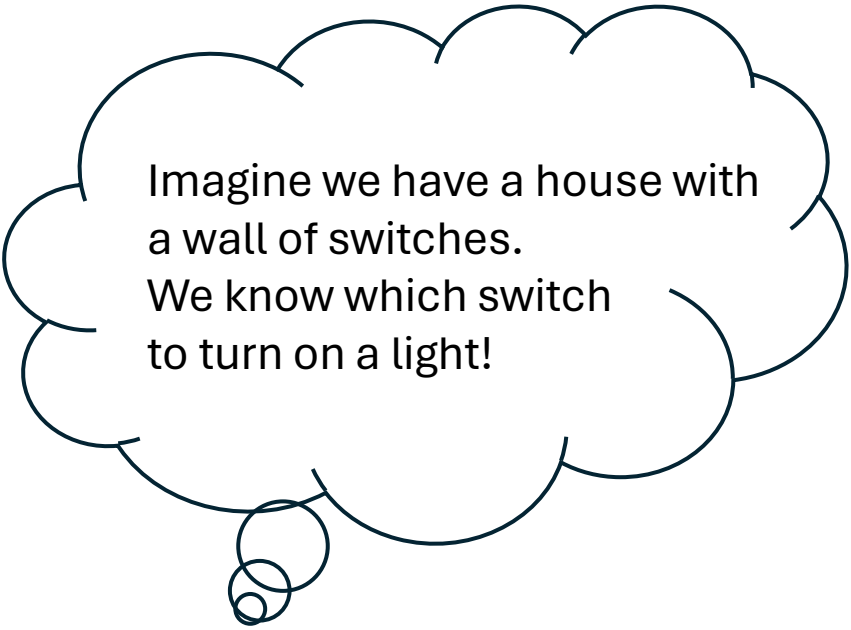
# What is MCU?

Registers – Nontechnical concepts of “configurable switches”

RCC, BUS, GPIO, USART, TIMER, etc....



Many more....



# What is MCU? – Register?

Example:

We want to blink an LED at PC13.

HAL is writing to a register  
Namely BSRR,

Set ON/OFF at GPIOC, pin 13

```
HAL_GPIO_WritePin(GPIOC,
GPIO_PIN_13, GPIO_PIN_RESET);
```



**No worry! We are going to try this soon!**



## 9.2.5 Port bit set/reset register (GPIOx\_BSRR) (x=A..G)

Address offset: 0x10

Reset value: 0x0000 0000

31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16
BR15	BR14	BR13	BR12	BR11	BR10	BR9	BR8	BR7	BR6	BR5	BR4	BR3	BR2	BR1	BR0
w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w
15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
BS15	BS14	BS13	BS12	BS11	BS10	BS9	BS8	BS7	BS6	BS5	BS4	BS3	BS2	BS1	BS0
w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w	w

Bits 31:16 **BRy**: Port x Reset bit y (y= 0 .. 15)

These bits are write-only and can be accessed in Word mode only.

0: No action on the corresponding ODRx bit

1: Reset the corresponding ODRx bit

*Note: If both BSx and BRx are set, BSx has priority.*

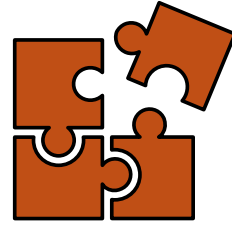
Bits 15:0 **BSy**: Port x Set bit y (y= 0 .. 15)

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# What is HAL?



- The HAL driver layer provides a simple, generic multi-instance set of **APIs (application programming interfaces)** to interact with the upper layer (application, libraries and stacks).
- The HAL driver **APIs** are split into two categories: generic APIs, which provide common and generic functions for all the STM32 series and extension APIs, which include specific and customized functions for a given line or part number. The HAL drivers include a complete set of ready-to-use **APIs** that simplify the user application implementation

Refer to: UM1850 User manual - Description of STM32F1 HAL and low-layer drivers

# Training Kit and MCU

## The training kit – the outlook

- Pinouts
- Schematic

## MCU – STM32F103C8T6

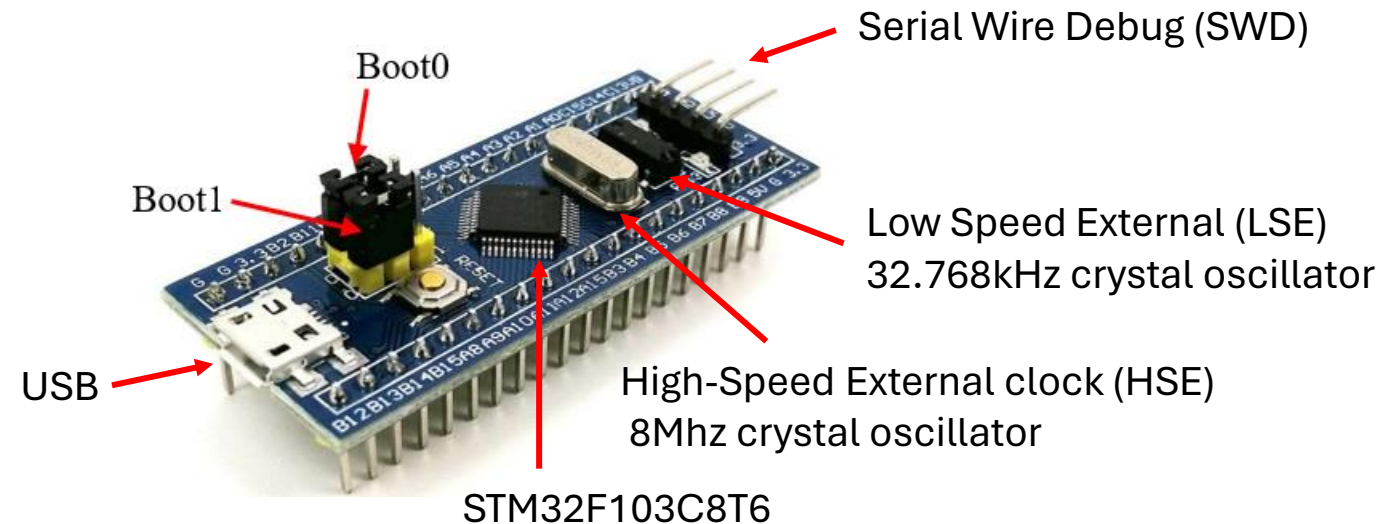
- Quick glimpse
- System Architecture
- Clock Tree
- GPIO

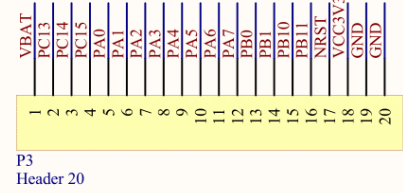
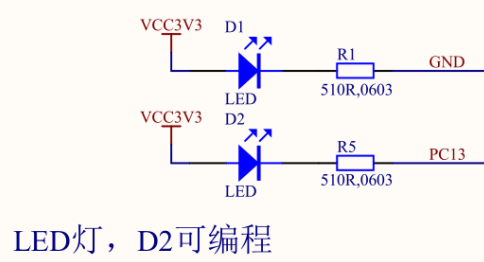
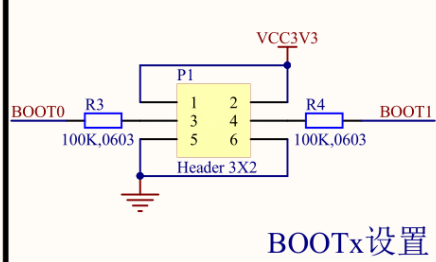
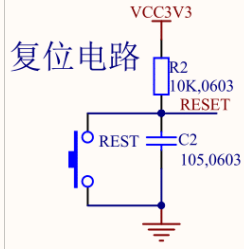
Many more on the datasheet and Manual as we explore further.

# STM32F103C8T6 – datasheet

**Table 9. Boot modes**

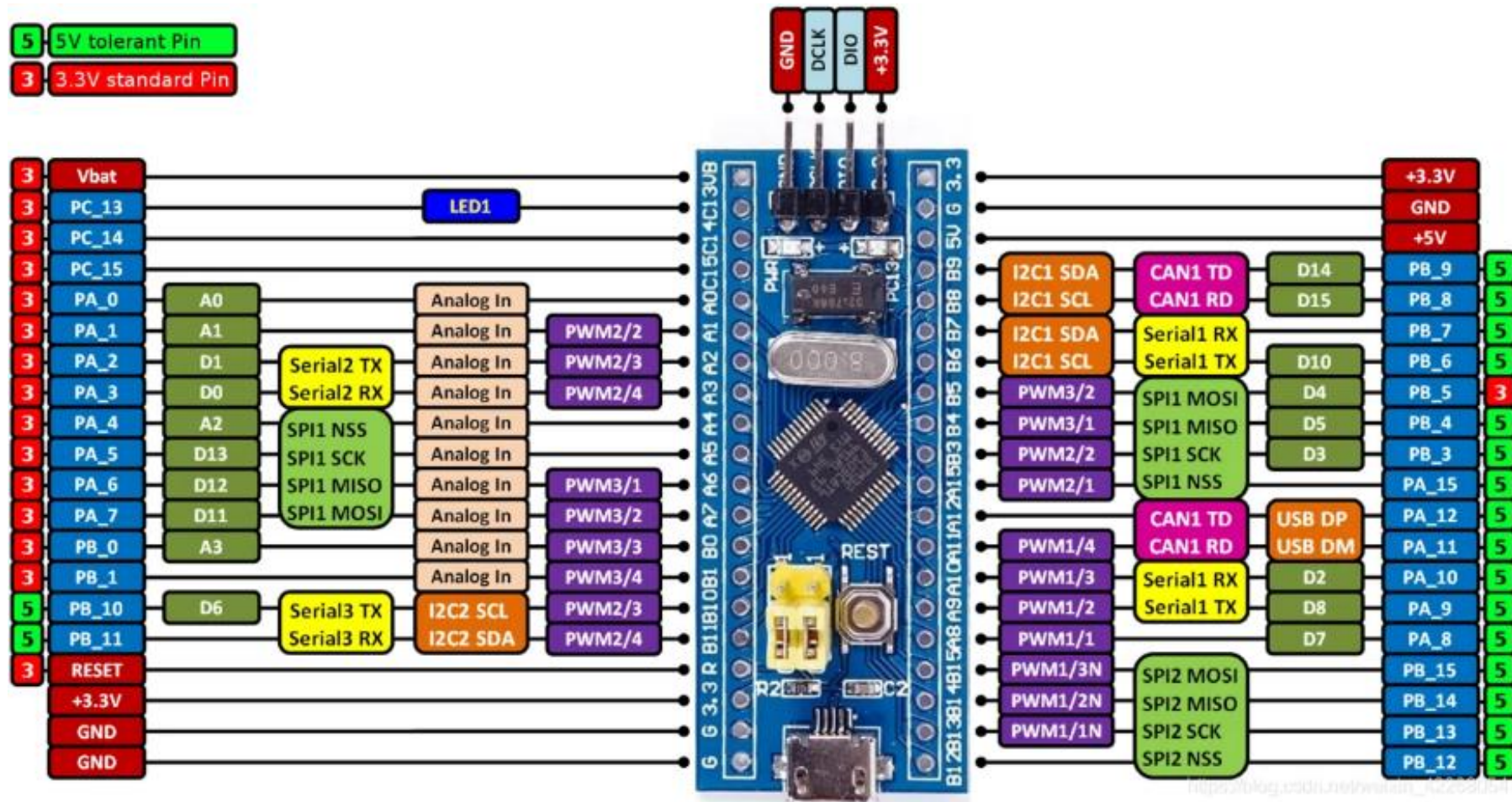
Boot mode selection pins		Boot mode	Aliasing
BOOT1	BOOT0		
x	0	Main Flash memory	Main Flash memory is selected as boot space
0	1	System memory	System memory is selected as boot space
1	1	Embedded SRAM	Embedded SRAM is selected as boot space







# STM32F103C8T6 – pins



# STM32F103C8T6 - pin definition

## LQFP 48 pins




Find me!

[STM32F103C8T6 -pin definition.xlsx](#)

STM32F103C8T6 - pin definition  
LQFP 48 pins

Pin No	Pin Name	Type	IO Level	Main Function	Alternate functions	
					Default	Remap
1	VBAT	S		VBAT		
2	PC13-TAMPER-RTC	I/O		PC13	TAMPER-RTC	
3	PC14-OSC32_IN	I/O		PC14	OSC32_IN	
4	PC15-OSC32_OUT	I/O		PC15	OSC32_OUT	
5	OSC_IN	I		OSC_IN		
6	OSC_OUT	O		OSC_OUT		
7	NRST	I/O		NRST		
8	VSSA	S		VSSA		
9	VDDA	S		VDDA		
10	PA0-WKUP	I/O		PA0	WKUP/USART2_CTS/ADC12_IN0/TIM2_CH1_ETR	
11	PA1	I/O		PA1	USART2_RTS/ADC12_IN1/TIM2_CH2	
12	PA2	I/O		PA2	USART2_TX/ADC12_IN2/TIM2_CH3	
13	PA3	I/O		PA3	USART2_RX/ADC12_IN3/TIM2_CH4	
14	PA4	I/O		PA4	SPI1_NSS/USART2_CK/ADC12_IN4	

*Refer to the datasheet [Medium-density STM32F103xx pin definitions]*



# STM32F103C8T6

## – Features and Peripherals

Term	Description	Term	Description
NVIC	Nested Vectored Interrupt Controller	CAN	CAN Comm.
SysTick	the Cortex® System Timer	USB	USB Comm.
RCC	Reset and Clock Control	RTC	Real-time clock
GPIO	General-purpose I/O	CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check
AFIO	Alternate-function I/O	PWR	Power Control
EXTI	External interrupt/event controller	BKP	Backup registers
TIM	Timer	IWDG	Independent watchdog
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter	WWDG	Window watchdog
DMA	Direct memory access	DAC	Digital-to-analog converter
USART	USART Comm.	SDIO	SD Interface
I2C	I2C Comm.	FSMC	Flexible static memory controller
SPI	SPI Comm.	USB OTG	USB

# STM32F103C8T6 – Important References

## Documents

- Datasheets
- RM0008 Reference manual



## Websites

- Official site - ST

<https://www.st.com/en/microcontrollers-microprocessors/stm32-32-bit-arm-cortex-mcus.html>

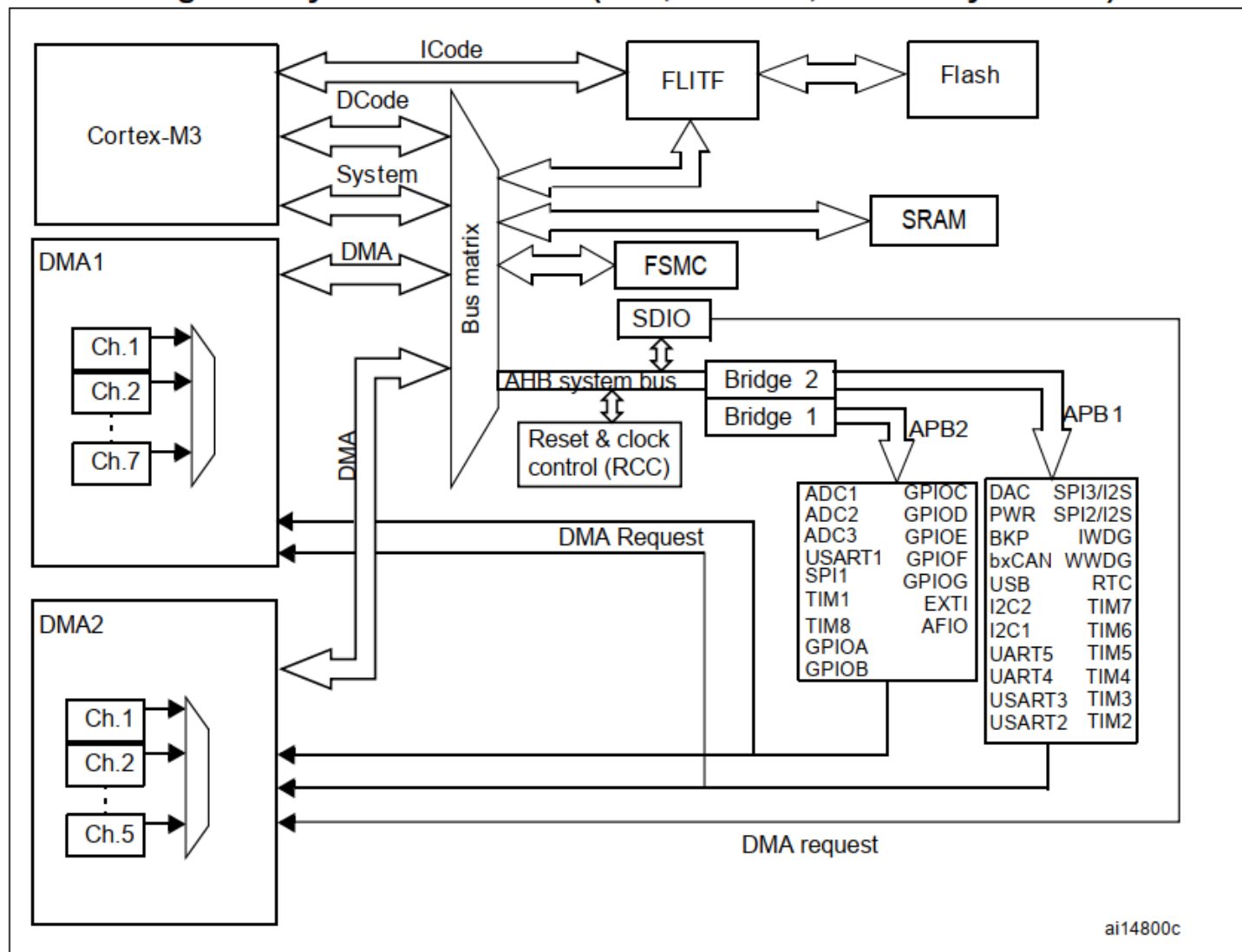
- Many learning sites...



Let me explain!

# System architecture

Figure 1. System architecture (low-, medium-, XL-density devices)



Advanced High-performance **Bus (AHB)**  
Advanced Peripheral **Bus (APB)**



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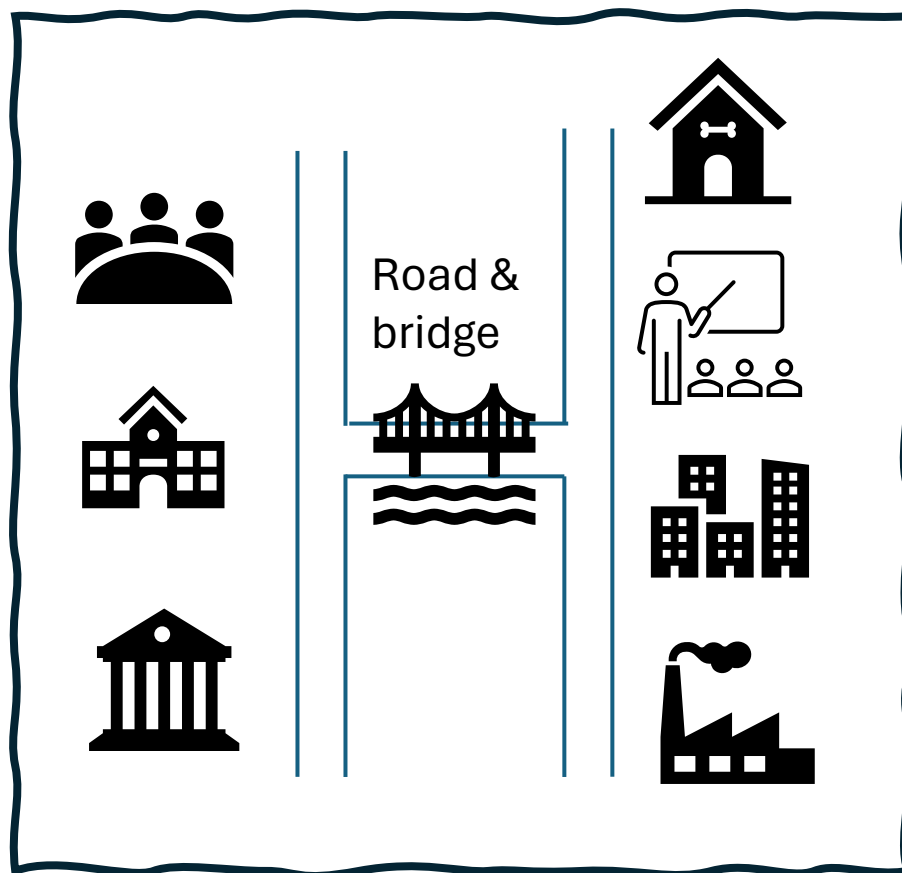


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# System architecture

Administrators  
Council, town  
hall, bank, etc.

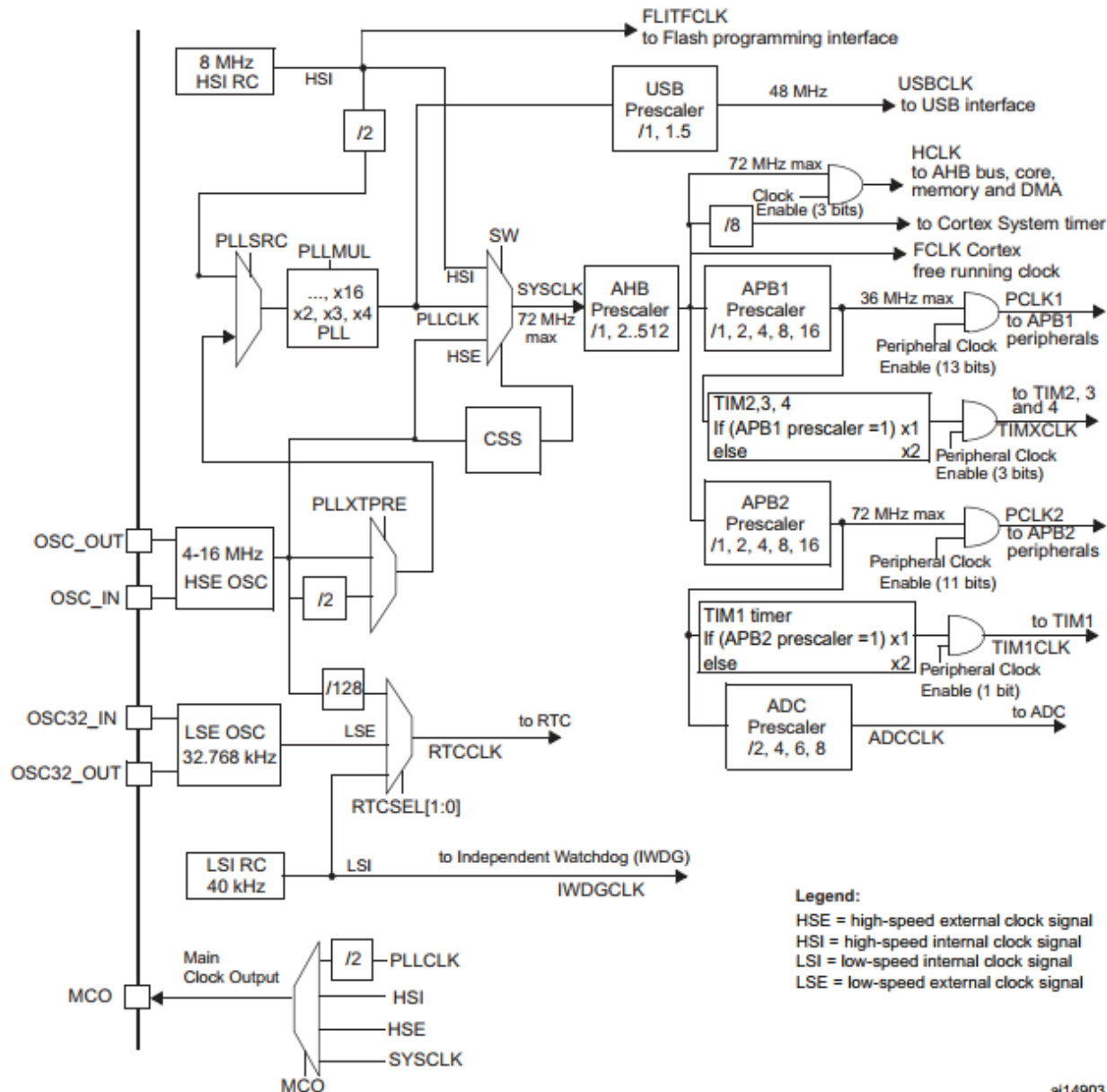


Simplified idea of “Town Plan”

House, factory,  
commercial  
buildings, school,  
etc.



Figure 2. Clock tree



# Clock Tree



Let me explain!



High-Speed Internal clock (HSI) RC oscillator  
 High-Speed External clock (HSE) crystal oscillator  
 Phase-locked loop or phase lock loop (PLL) clock  
 Low Speed External (LSE)  
 Low Speed Internal (LSI)

STM32-F103C8T6 (See Schematic)  
 Crystal oscillator – 8MHz and 32.768kHz



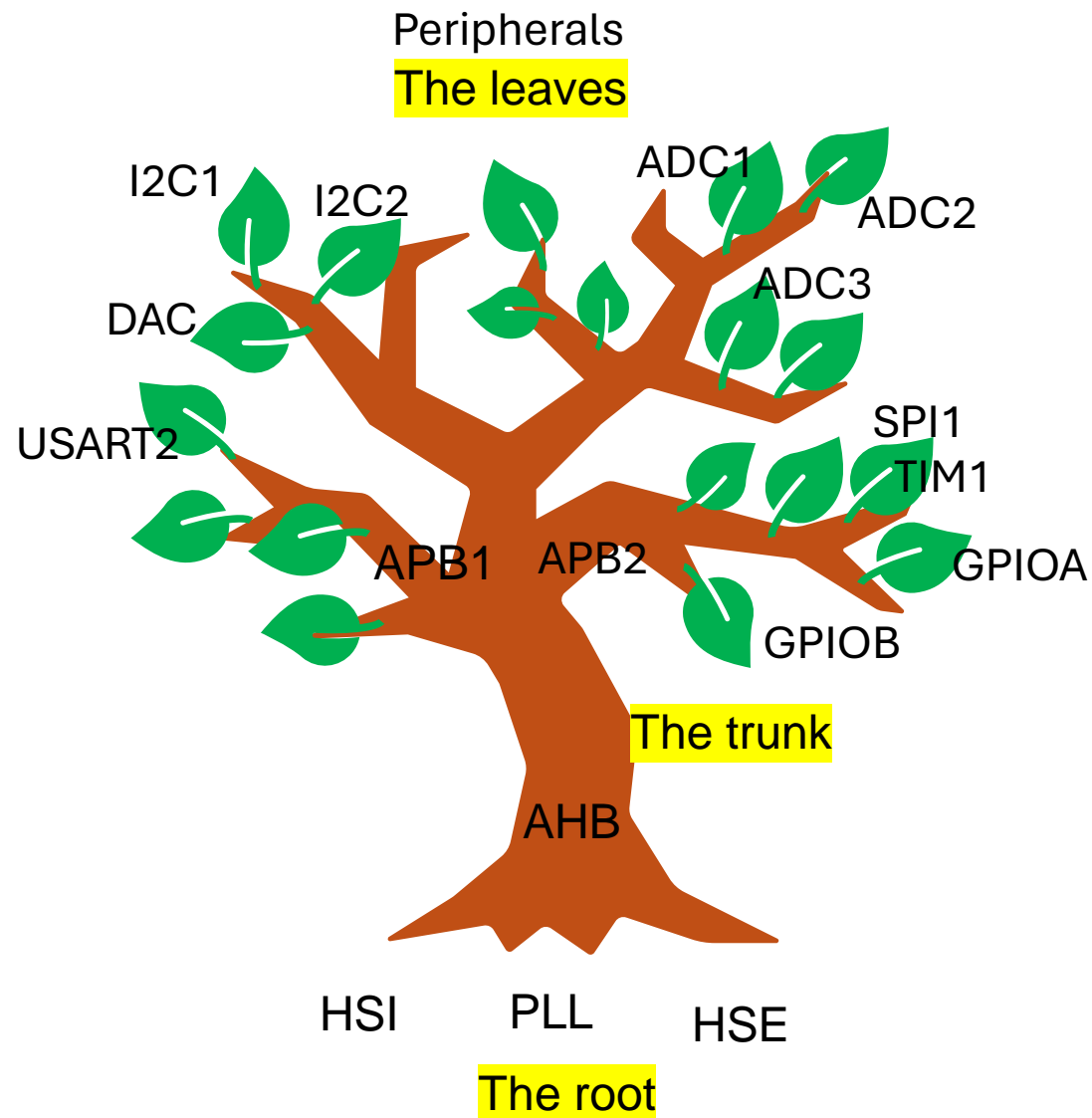
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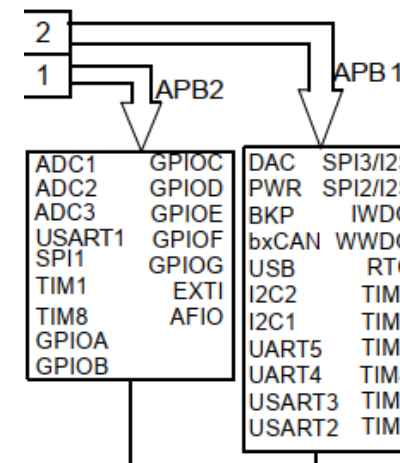


# Clock Tree

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Simplified idea of a “tree”



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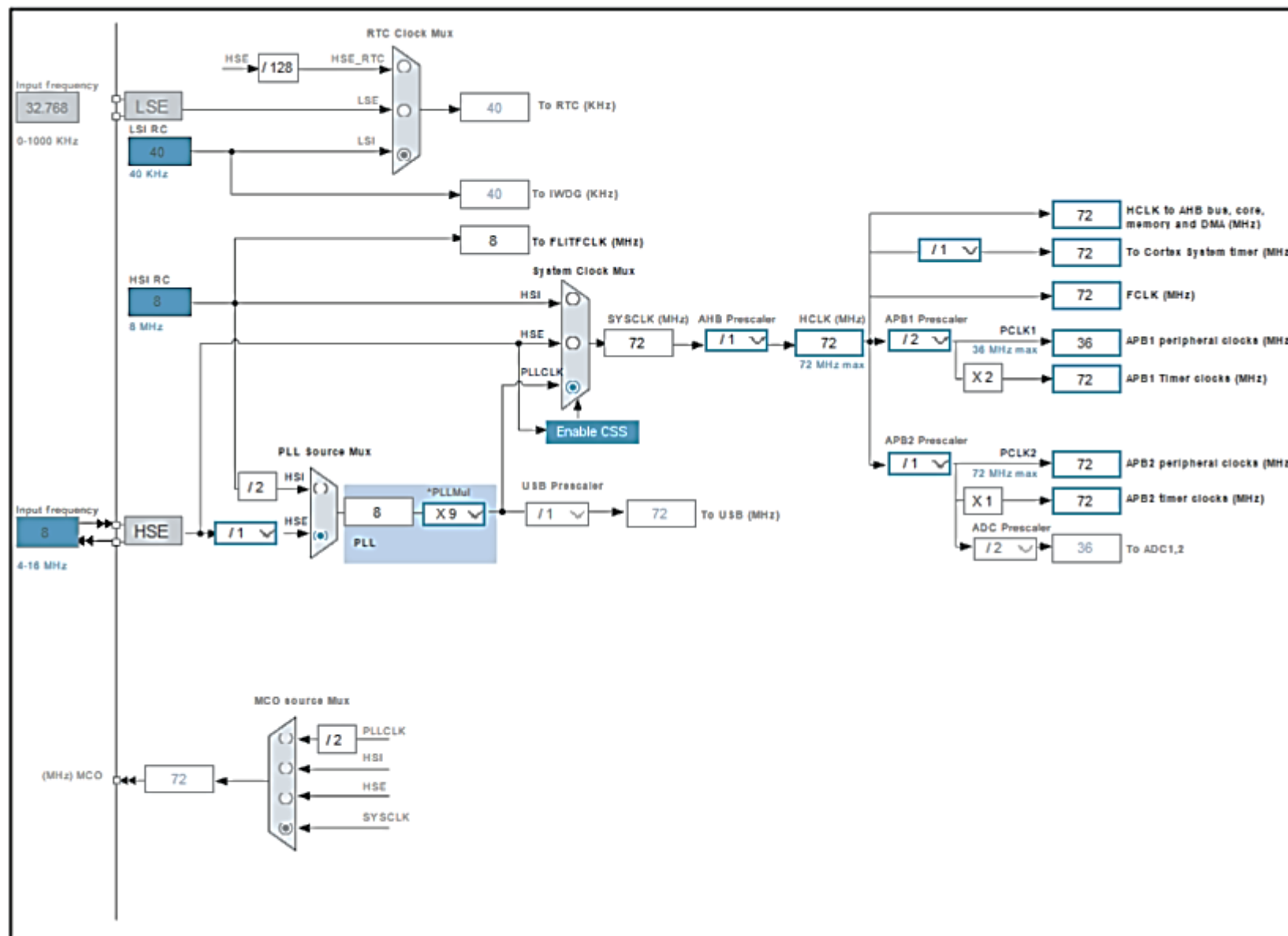


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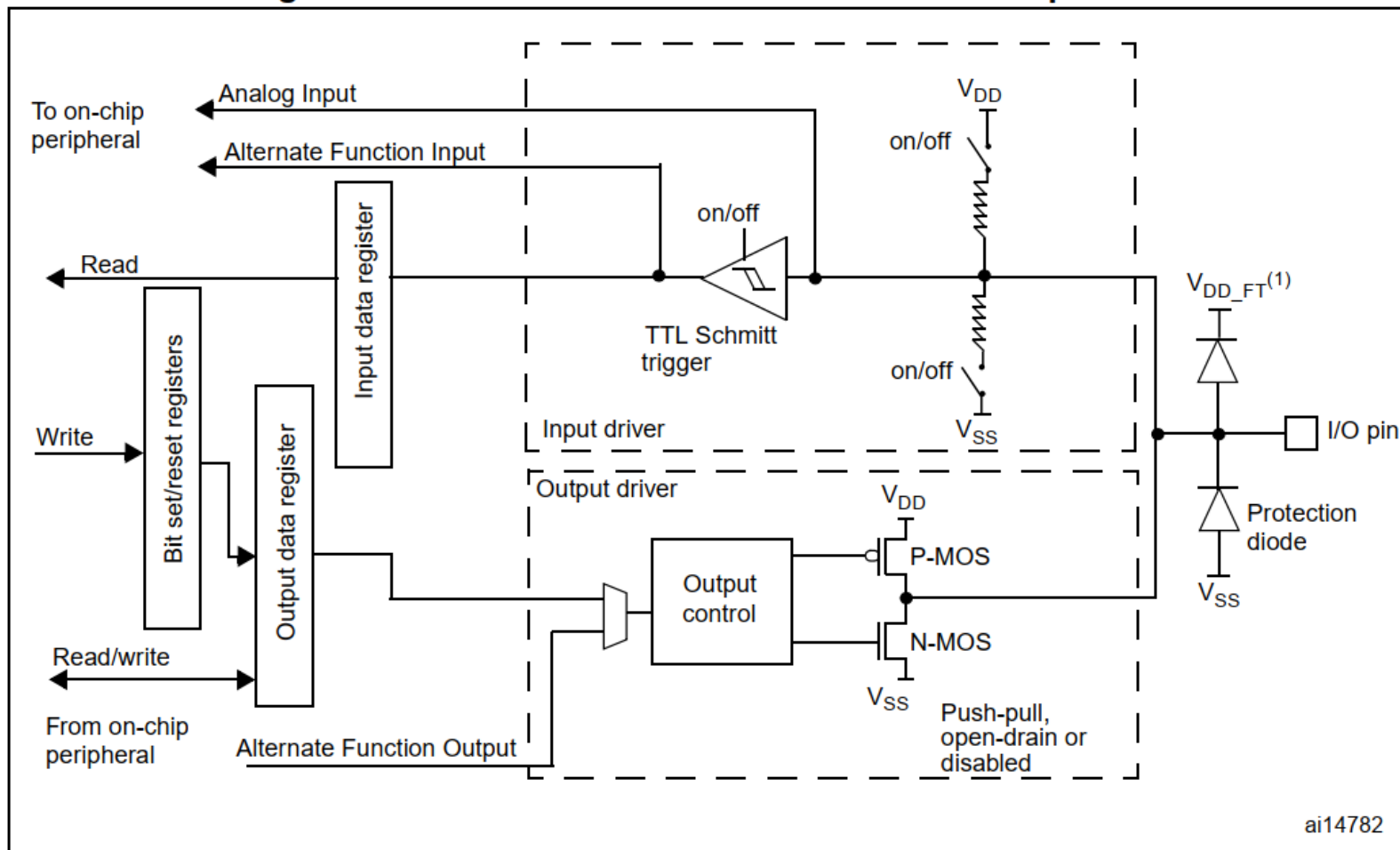
# GPIO

Let me explain!

**General Purpose IO (GPIO) Ports**, can be individually configured by software in several modes:

- Input floating
- Input pull-up
- Input-pull-down
- Analog
- Output open-drain
- Output push-pull
- Alternate function push-pull
- Alternate function open-drain

Figure 14. Basic structure of a 5-Volt tolerant I/O port bit



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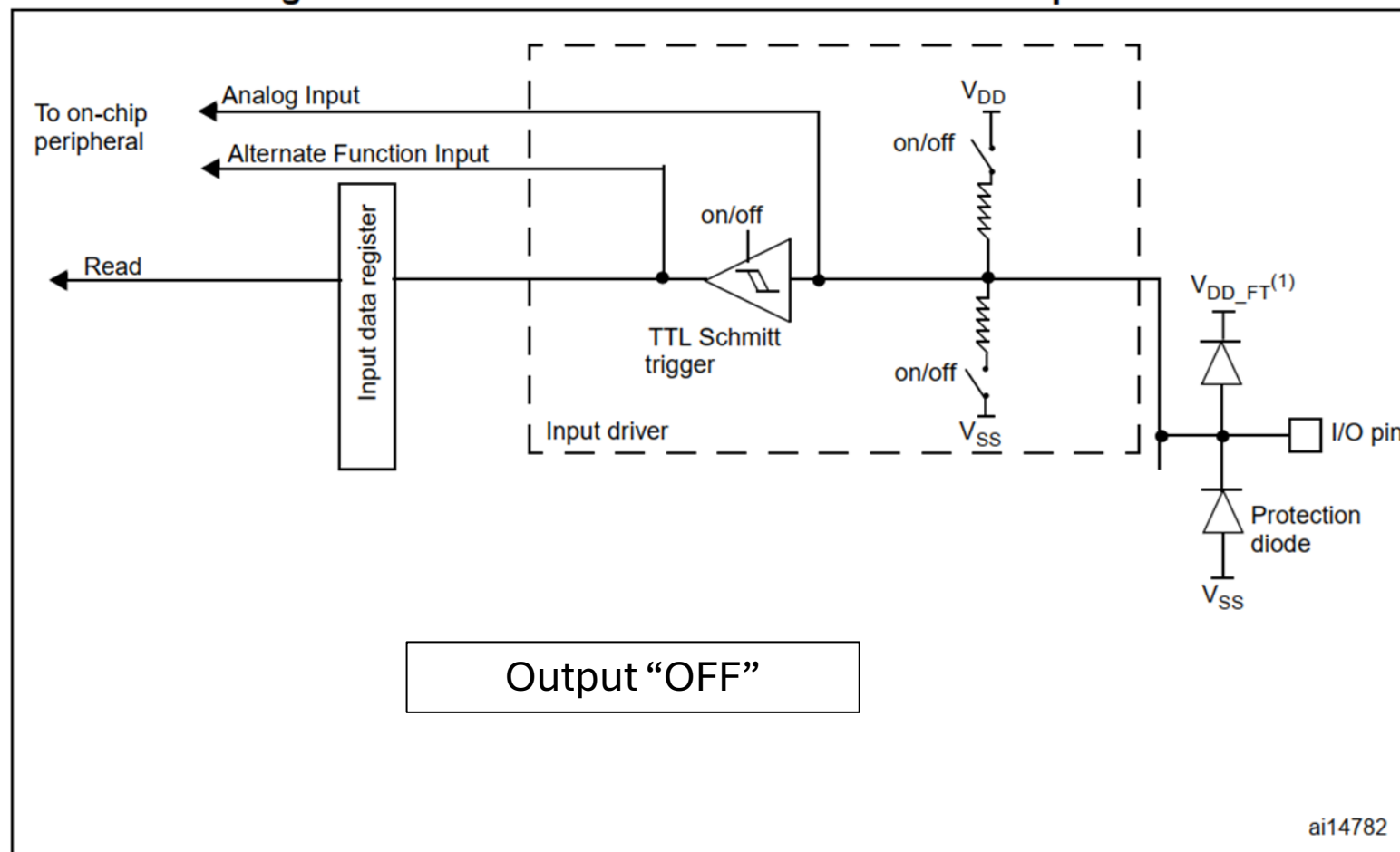
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## Input

- Input floating
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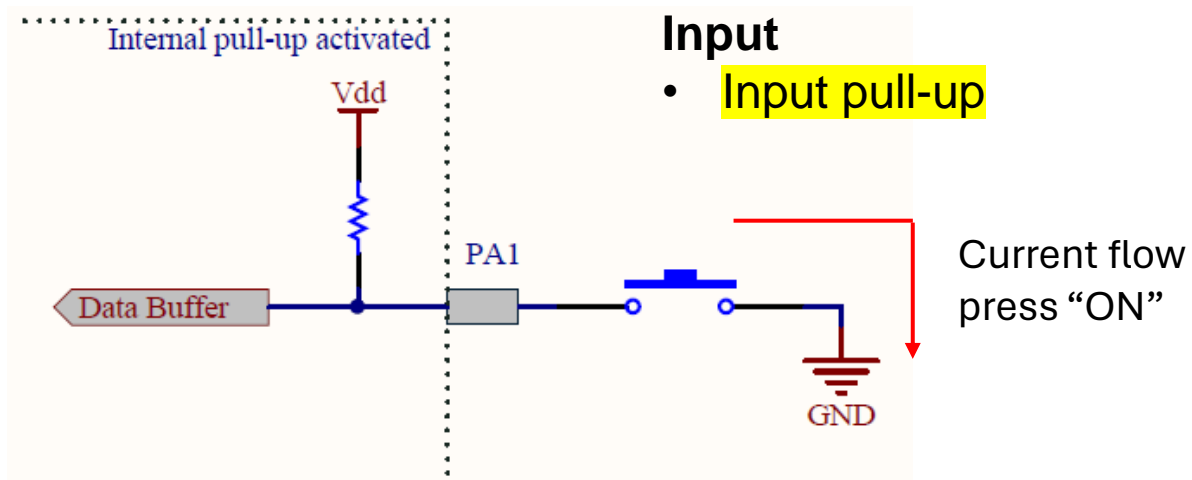


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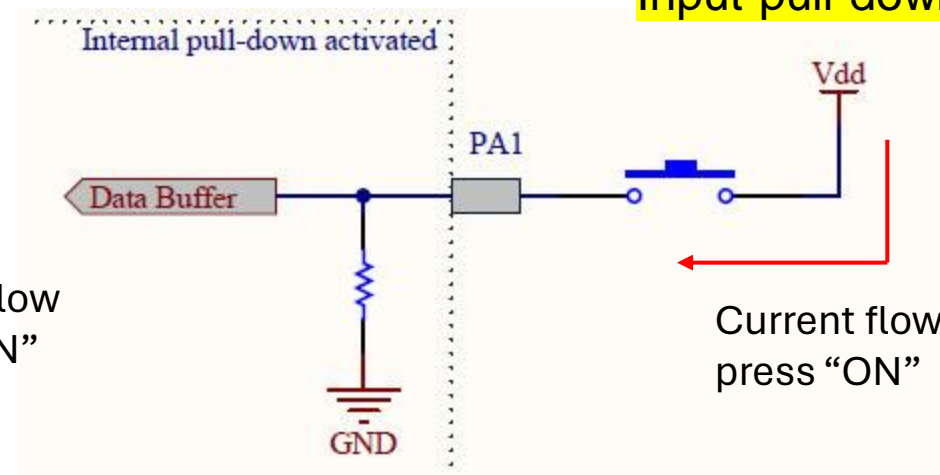
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- Input pull-up



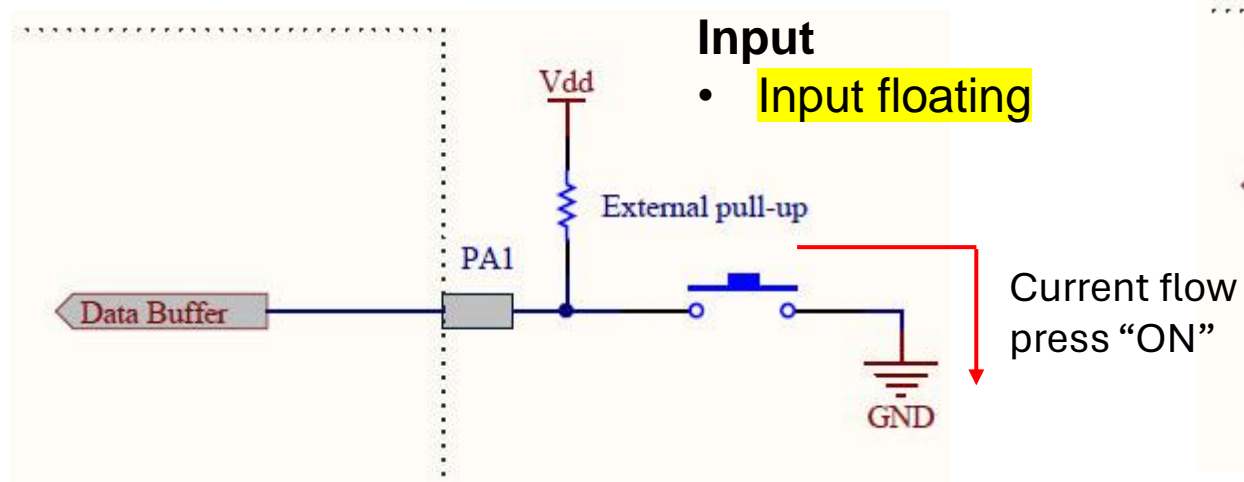
## Input

- Input-pull-down



## Input

- Input floating







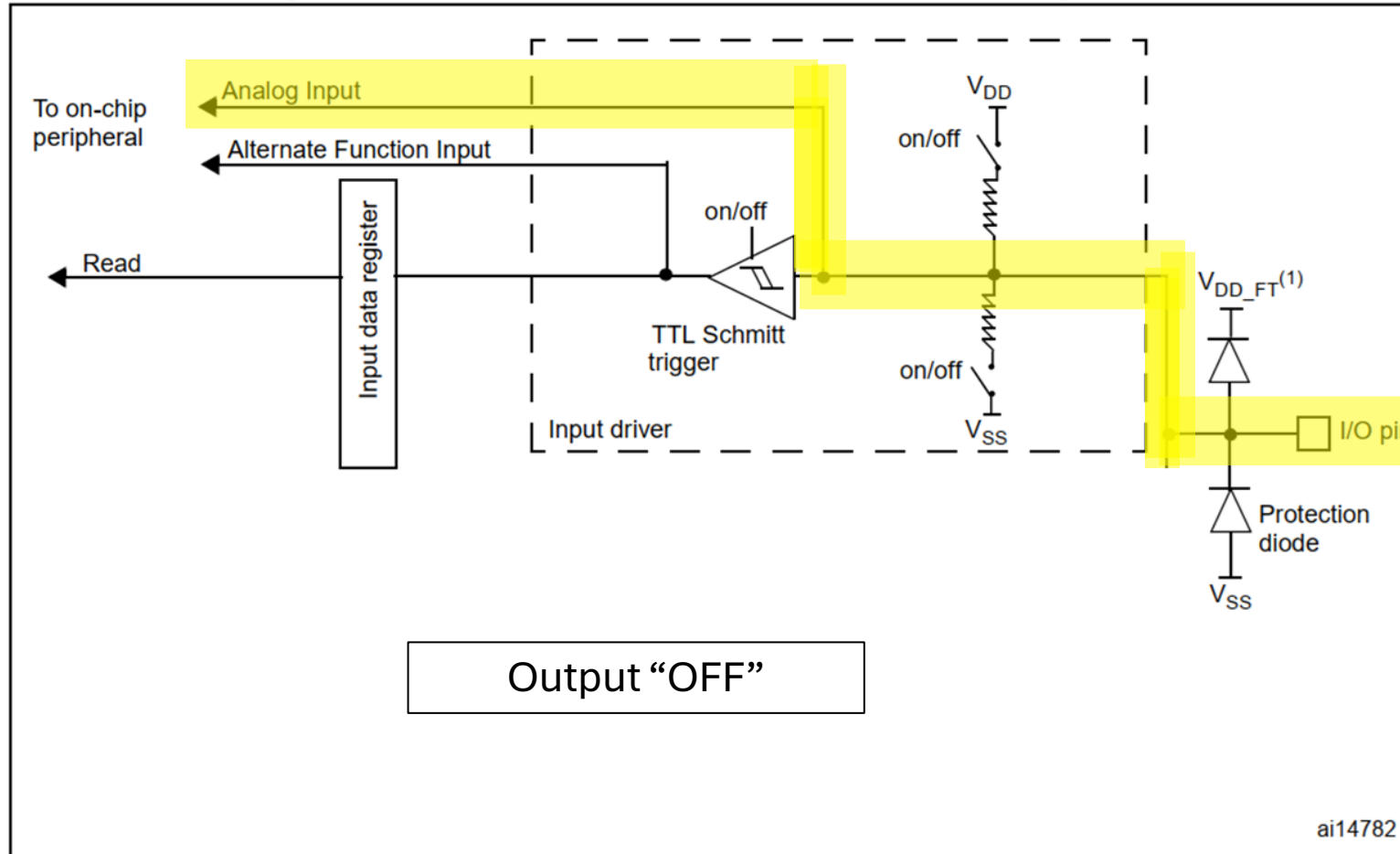
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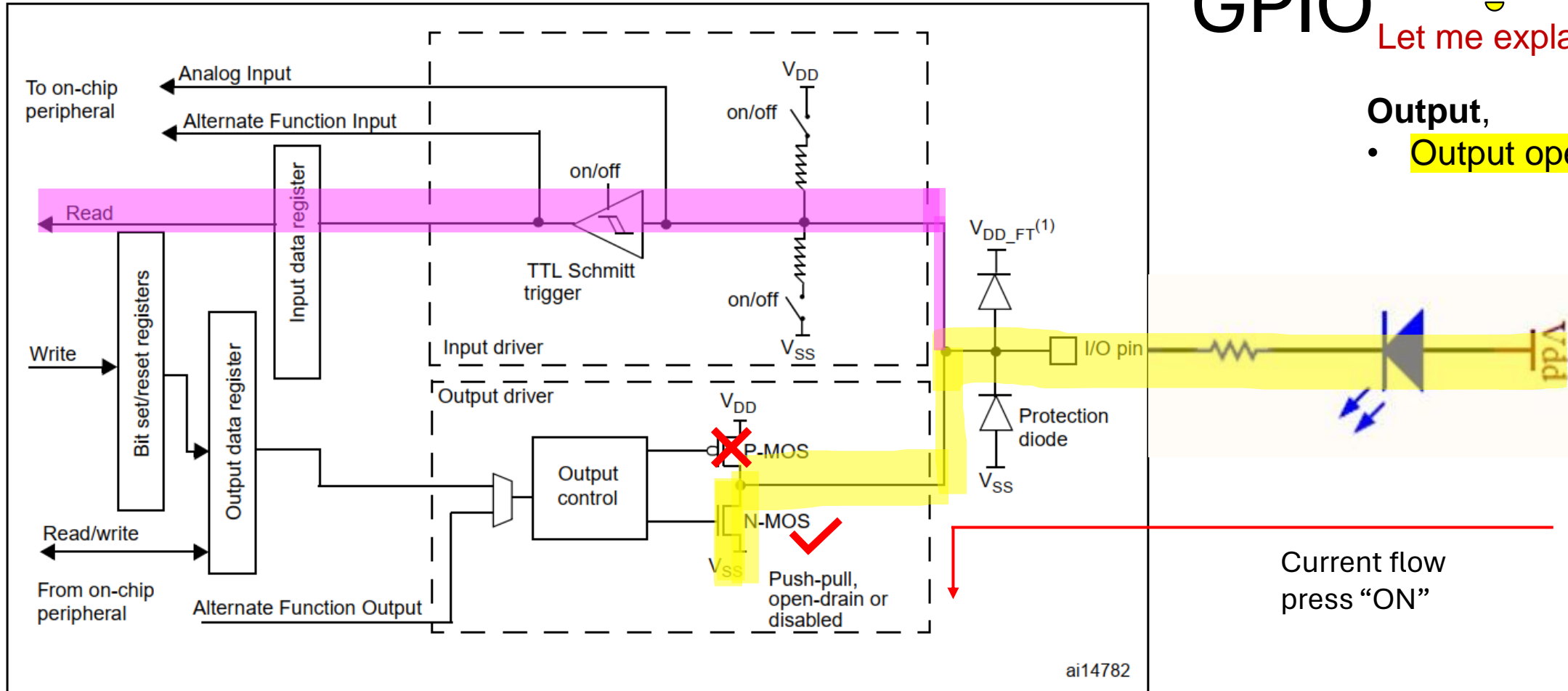
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Output,

- Output open-drain

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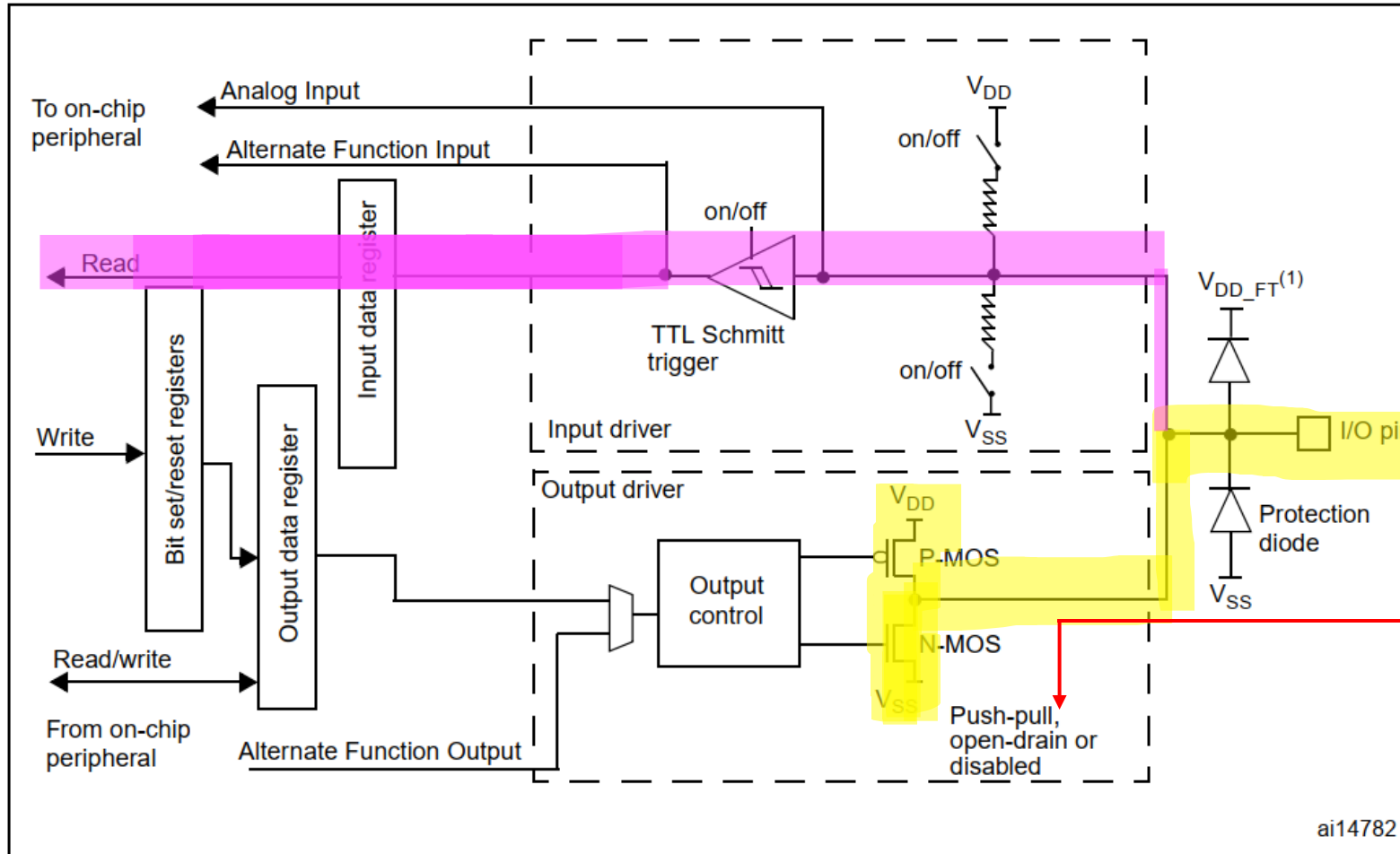
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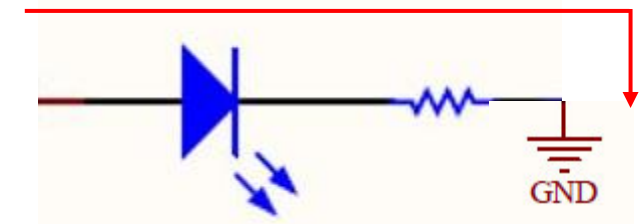
- Output push-pull

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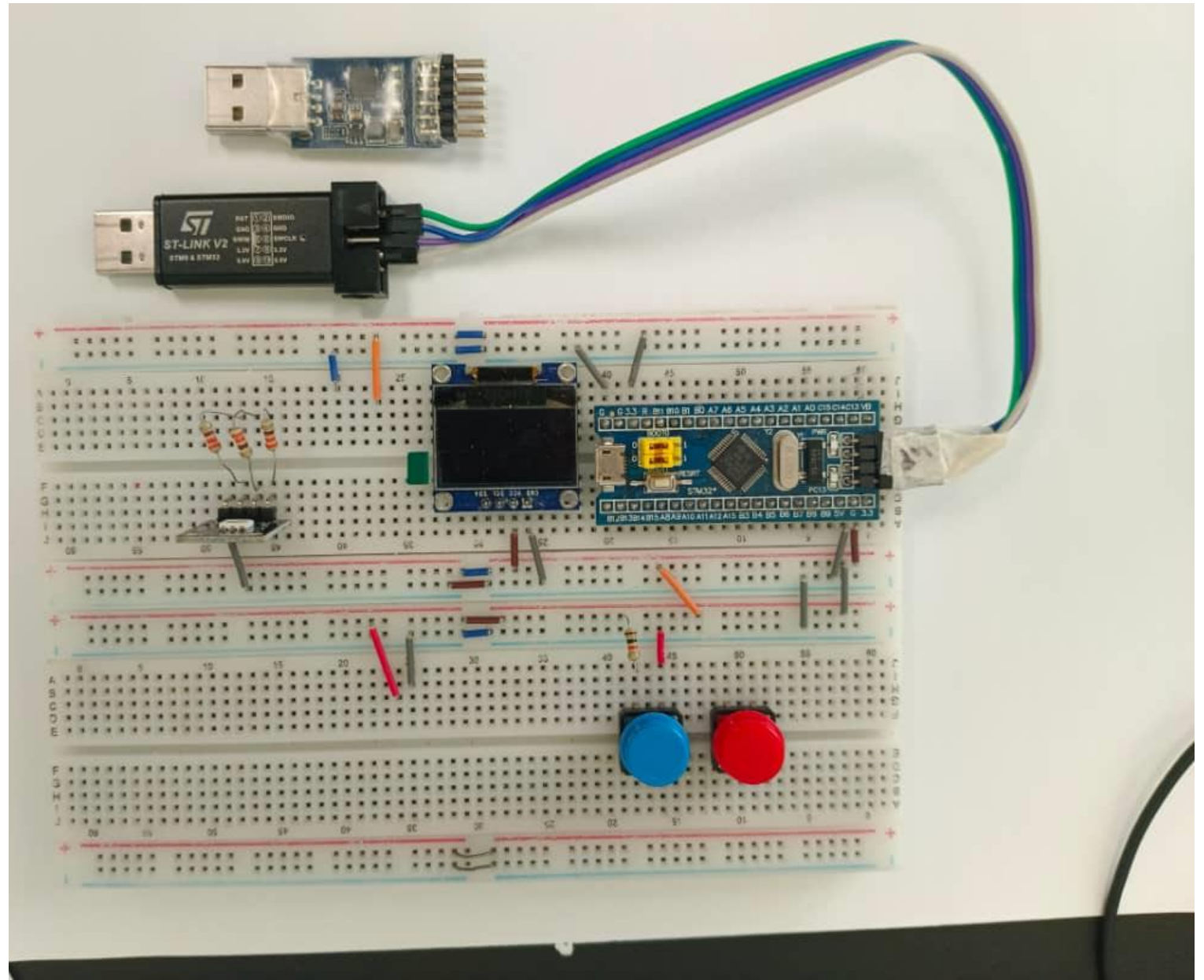
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Can also wired this way!

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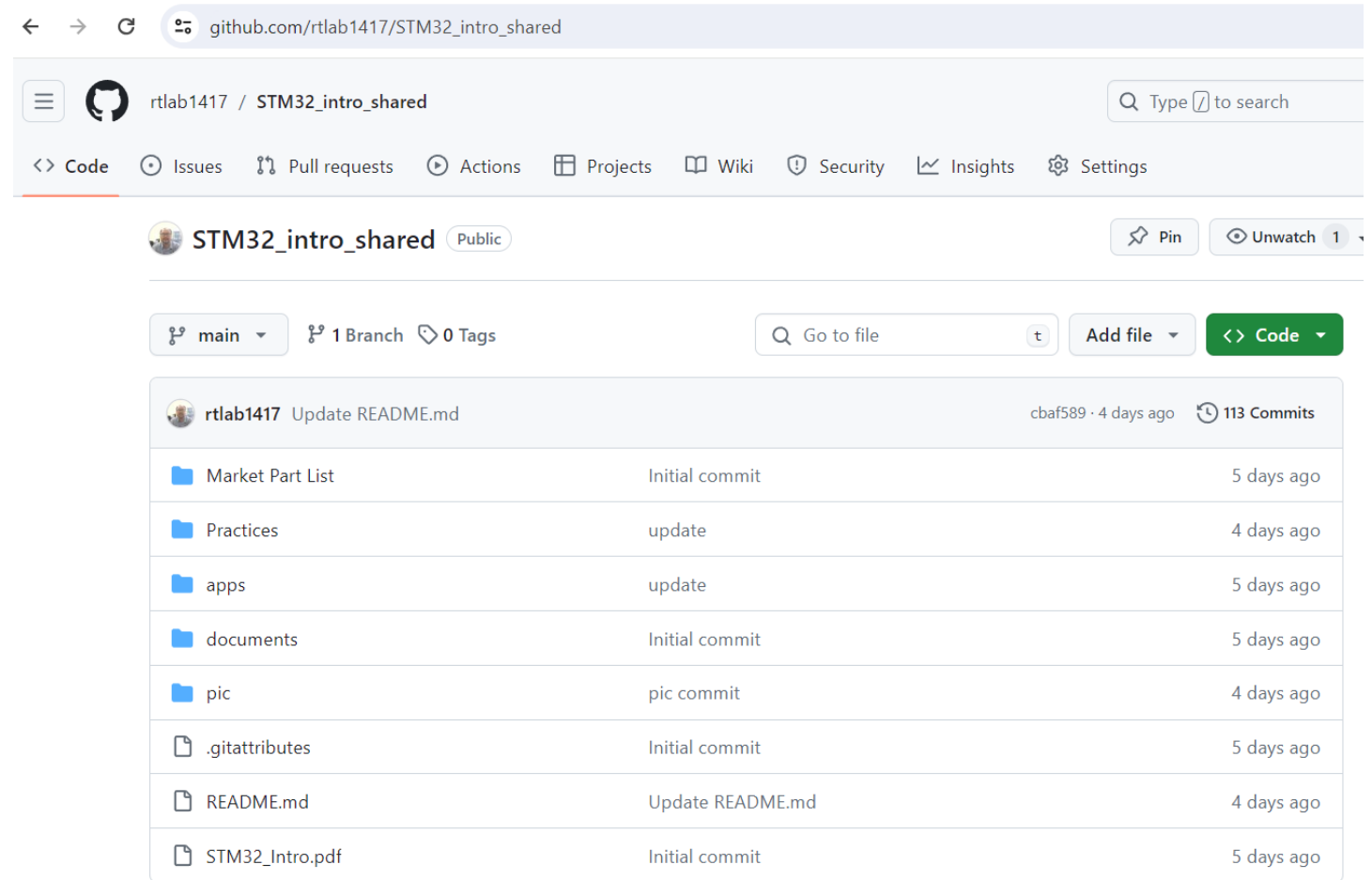
# The Training Kit



# The Training Kit

Shared information –

[https://github.com/rtlab1417/STM32\\_intro\\_shared.git](https://github.com/rtlab1417/STM32_intro_shared.git)



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# Programming Software

1. **STM32CubeIDE - free - explored in this training.**
2. Keil MDK - paid service
3. IAR Embedded Workbench – paid service
4. Arduino IDE - free
5. PlatformIO - free
6. Matlab - Hardware support needed.
7. Etc.

1. Bare metal programming
  - a. Call the registers directly and manually
2. Standard peripheral library
  - a. Provided by ST
3. **Hardware Abstract Layer (HAL)**
  - a. **ST provides HAL for its MCU family.**
  - b. **This is implemented in this short course.**

# Programming Software - Language

## C Language

- STM32CubeIDE deploy C-language for HAL and coding.
- Having a basic understanding of the C Language can be very useful.
- Some C elements: Variables, Data type, Operators, Loops, Struct, Pointer, Function, type cast, etc.
- *Note: C not equal to C++ however C could be implemented in C++*



# Installing STM32CubeIDE

- Preparation – installed before attending the short course
- See module
- Remember where is your workspace.
- For example:
- D:\STM32CubeIDE\workspace\

First Project – looking silly yet very important

## The motivation

- To be confirmed that the MCU is communicating with ST-Link
- To be confirmed that STM32CubeIDE is working

# First Project

## **Repeated procedures for all projects**

1. Create New Project
2. Target Selection
3. \*.ioc
  - Pinout & Configuration
  - Clock Configuration
  - Project Managers
  - Tools
4. Save and auto-generate project – template
5. Edit the code
6. RUN or DEBUG

# First Project

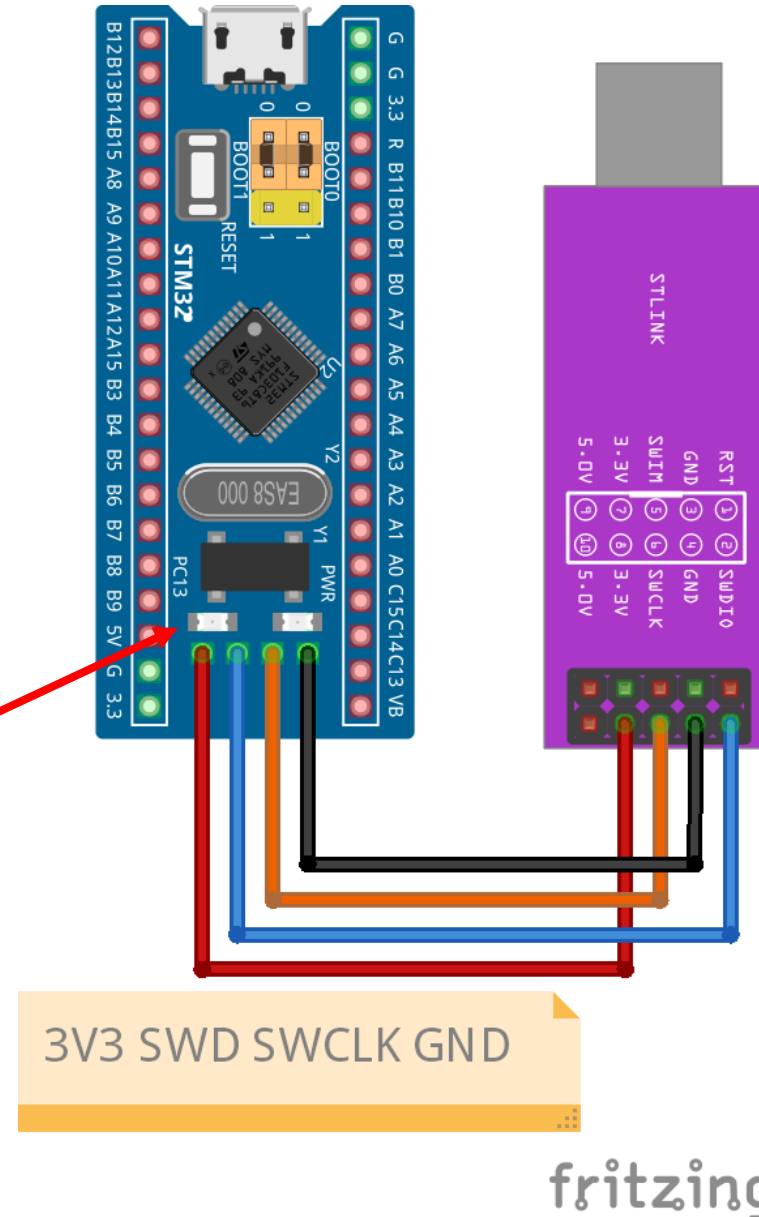
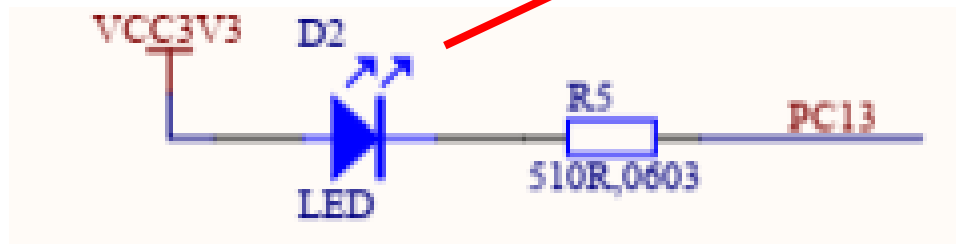
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No coding needed

Just configure GPIO

Lit up built-in LED – PC13

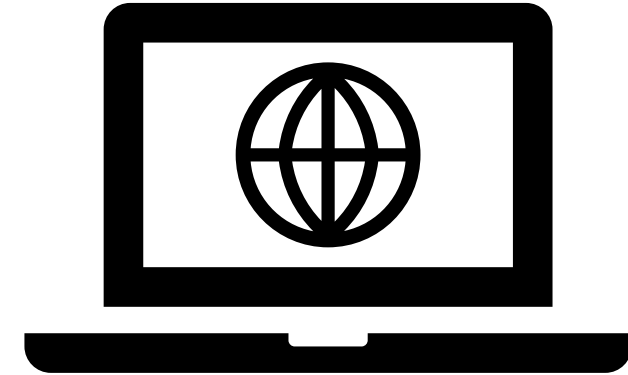
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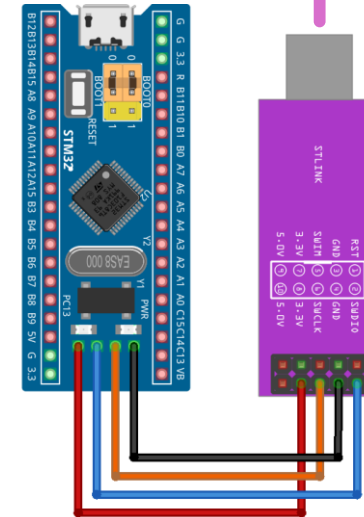
# First Project

## Reminder:

- **USB type-A**
  - Detected and listed in Device Manager
- **Keep online**
  - Update ST-Link firmware
  - Update app.



Plug into USB

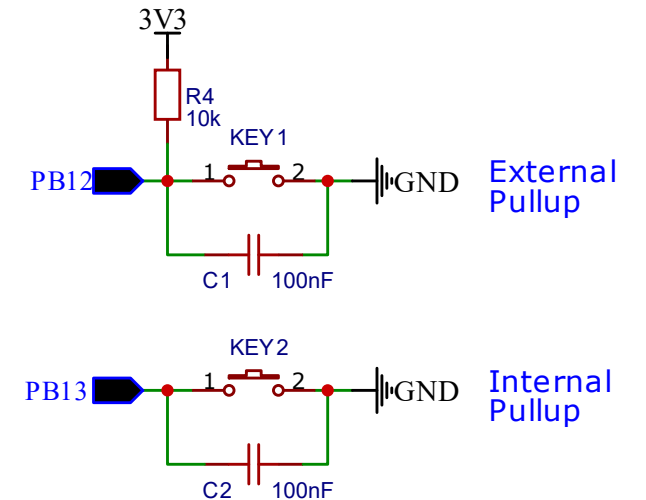
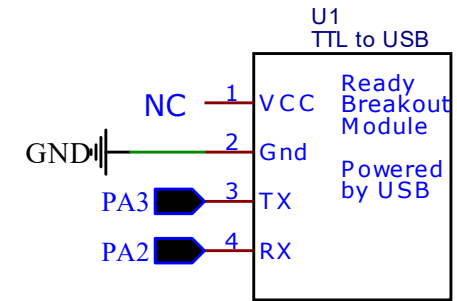
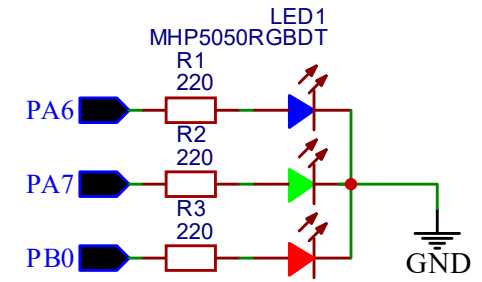
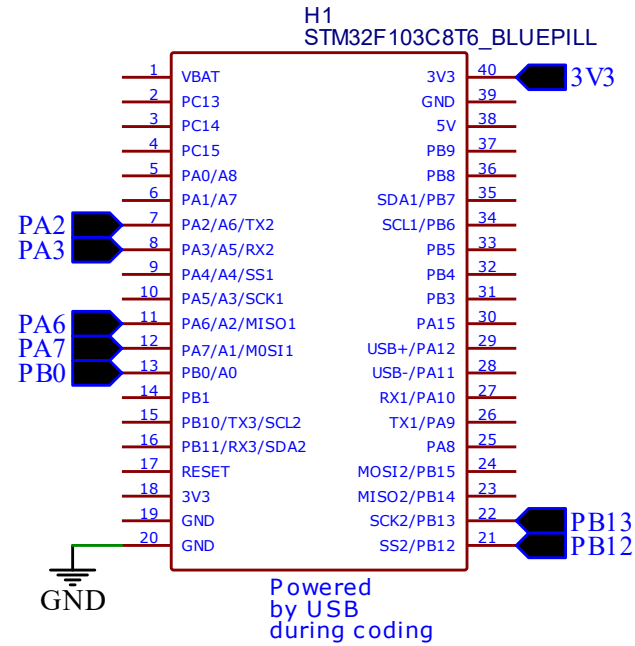


# List of Practices

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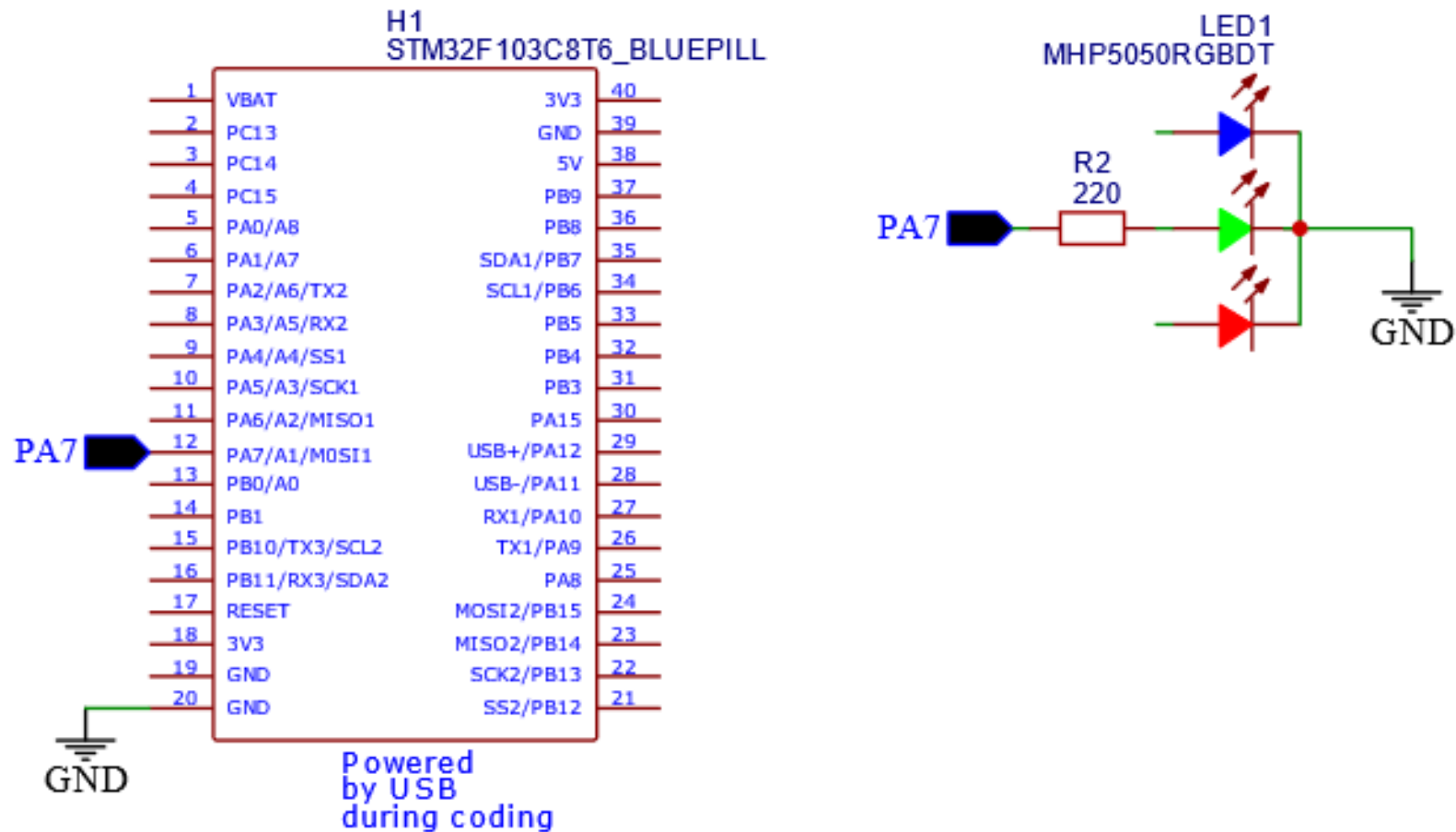
- More to go...

# Schematic - Practice 1 to 7





# Practice 1 – GPIO -LED



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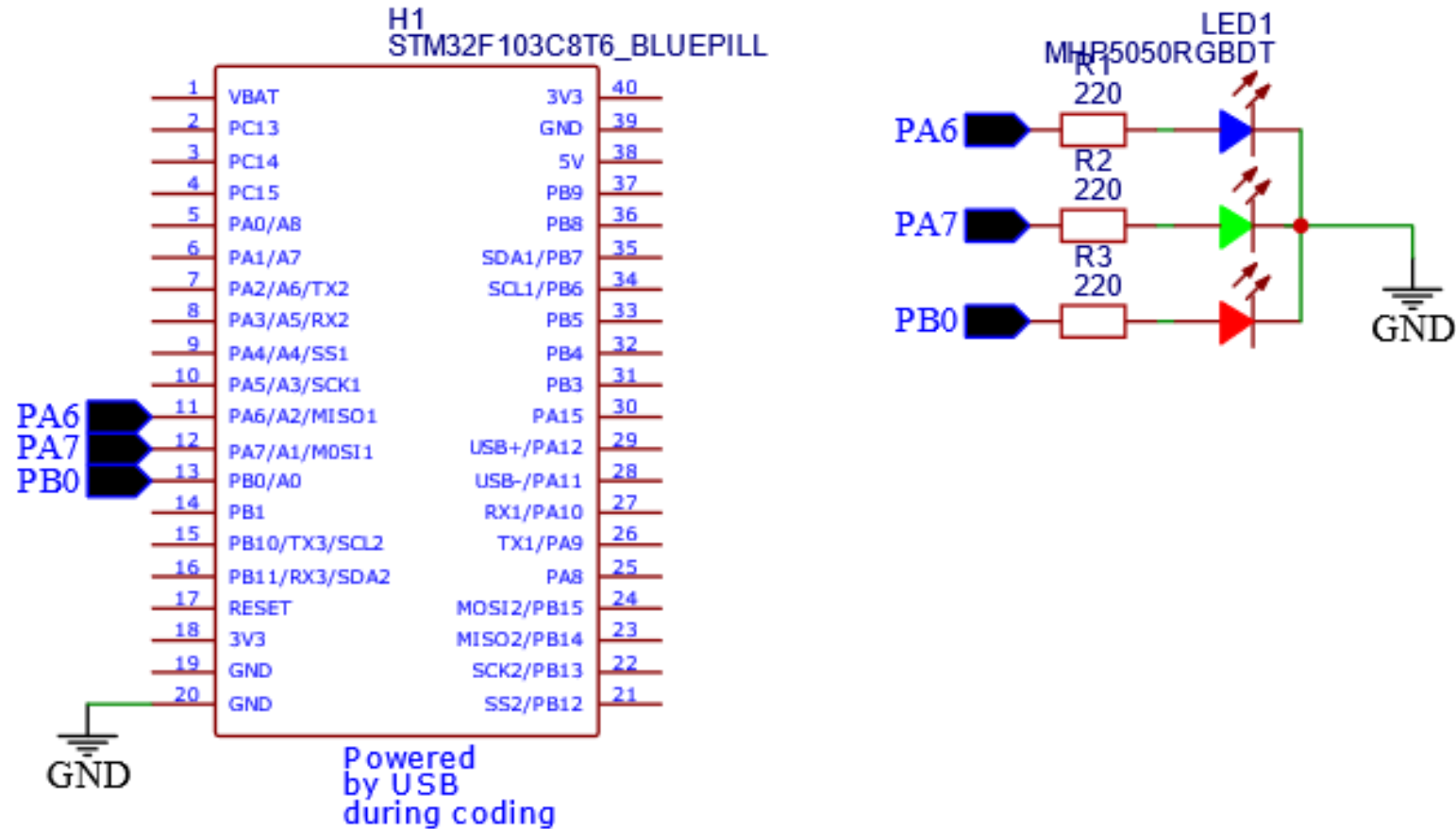
Pin	Mode	User Label
PA7	GPIO_Output, Low, Output Push Pull, No pull-up and no pull-down	LED_GREEN

# Practice 1 – GPIO -LED

## Exploring GPIO

- See module
- Exploring the IDE and file structure
- main.c
- HAL and code accordingly – see module and demonstration

# Practice 2 – GPIO –LEDs Blink



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Pin	Mode	User Label
PA6	GPIO_Output, Low, Output Push Pull, No pull-up and no pull-down	LED_BLUE
PA7	GPIO_Output, Low, Output Push Pull, No pull-up and no pull-down	LED_GREEN
PB0	GPIO_Output, Low, Output Push Pull, No pull-up and no pull-down	LED_RED

Requirement:

	State0	State1	State2	State3	State4	State5
LED_BLUE	0	0	1	1	1	1
LED_GREEN	0	1	1	1	0	0
LED_RED	1	1	1	1	0	1

# Practice 2 – GPIO –LEDs Blink

- See module
- Update main.c
- Have fun.
- Change new delay time.
- **Challenge**
- What if we have a new requirement? Design your own!

