

Attiny HV and ISP Programmer

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Project goals

- Main goal
 - High Voltage fuse reset of ATTami boards.
- By products:
 - High Voltage fuse reset of Attiny components.
 - ISP programming of ATTami boards.
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 - ISP programming of various AVR based boards, under either 5V or 3.3V supply.
 - Acceptance test of ATTami boards.
 - Self contained ATTami bootloader loading (Not yet implemented)

Project structure

- Arduino shield with the following features:
 - Charge pump circuit to provide the 11.5V for the HV programming.
 - Bi directional 5V to 3.3V level shifters.
 - Sockets to enable programming of ATTami boards and Attiny components.
 - Indicator LEDs.
 - ATTami ATP LEDs.
 - Control switches.

Charge pump circuit

Charge pump is a circuit that produces high voltage by switching of capacitors.

See: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charge_pump

In our case we produce 11.5V out of the Arduino 5V supply.

The 11.5V is controlled and regulated by the Arduino.

Bi directional 5V to 3.3V level shifters

- 4 MOSFET based bi-directional level shifters to shift the 5V Arduino I/O pins level to 3.3V.
- See: <http://delphys.net/d.holmes/hardware/levelshift.html>

Sockets to enable programming of ATTami boards and Attiny components

- Pogo-Pins socket to enable programming and testing of pinless ATTami boards.
- Sockets to enable programming and testing of ATTami boards with upper or lower pins.
- Socket for 8 pin ATtiny programming.
- Socket for 14 pin ATtiny programming.
- Socket for 6 pin ISP ribbon.
- Socket for 10 pin ISP ribbon.

Control Switches

- ISP – HV selector: Selects witch programming mode will be performed
- 3.3V – 5V selector: Selects the I/O pins level to conform with the external board connected to the ISP cables.
- ISP Vcc – Target Vcc selector: Selects if The programmer will provide Vcc to the target board via the ISP cables.
- ATTami test pushbutton: Provides Vcc to the ATTami board.
- ATTami load bootloader: Initiate loading to the ATTami of the bootloader Hex file stored on the Arduino Flash memory. (This function is not yet implemented.)

Operation

- There are two modes of operation, each of them runs under different environment:
 - HV fuse reset mode
 - ISP mode
- There are two control buttons. (The control buttons functionality is the same under both modes of operation)
 - ATTami test button
 - ATTAMI load bootloader button

Operation cont.

- HV fuse reset mode

- In this mode you can:

- Reset the fuses to factory default state.
 - Set the fuses to a predefined state.
 - Define the predefined fuses state.

- To get into the mode:

- Connect the Arduino to the PC via a USB cable
 - Set the ISP-HV selector to HV. (HB LED should on)
 - Load Arduino IDE
 - Open the Serial monitor (if necessary set it to 19200 baud rate)

- To reset the fuses

- Follow the instructions on the screen menu (While the HV is applied, in options 1 or 2, you should notice a short blink on the HV LED.)

Operation cont.

- ISP programming mode
 - In this mode you can:
 - Upload a sketch into the ATtiny.
 - To get into the mode:
 - Connect the Arduino to the PC via a USB cable
 - Set the ISP-HV selector to ISB. (HB LED should pulse)
 - Load Arduino IDE
 - Set the board according to your ATtiny MCU
 - Set programmer to “Arduino as ISP”
 - To program the ATtiny
 - Load your sketch into the IDE
 - Click on the “Upload” button. (error LED might blink at start and then turn off, pmode LED should blink while Uploading is performed and then turned off.)

Operation cont.

- ATTami test
 - Operates on both HV and ISP modes.
 - On Both modes when not actually programming the ATtiny VCC is off and the reset pin is LOW.
 - When the test pushbutton is pressed Vcc is applied to the ATtiny and the reset pin goes HIGH. (The ATTami, or Attiny, will commence running)
 - Watch the test LEDs for the ATP pattern.

Operation cont.

- ATTami load bootloader
 - Operates on both HV and ISP modes.
 - Operates even when the Arduino is not connected to a computer (5V source is needed)
 - Momentary Push the “ATTami load bootloader” push button.
 - The Arduino will upload the boot loader Hex file to the ATTami.

This function is not yet implemented

Software build

- The software comprises 3 ino files that are on the same directory
- The directory name is “HV_ISP_programmer”
- The 3 files are: “HV_ISP_programmer.ino”, “ATTinyFuseReset.ino” and “ArduinoISP_ATTami”.
- “HV_ISP_programmer.ino” contains the setup() and loop functions(), “ATTinyFuseReset.ino” contains the HV programming functions, “ArduinoISP_ATTami” contains the ISP functions.
- The IDE compile and build them together and Upload the produced Hex file to the Arduino. You should do it once before using the Programmer.