STM32L4 and STM32L4+ series UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1/60335-1 self-test library user guide

Introduction

This document applies to the X-CUBE-CLASSB self-test library set for the STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers that include an Arm® Cortex®-M4 core. Order code X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4.

Safety has an essential role in electronic applications. The level of safety requirements for components is steadily increasing and, manufacturers of electronic devices include many new technical solutions in their designs. Techniques for improving safety are continuously evolving, and are regularly incorporated into updated versions of the safety standards.

The current safety recommendations and requirements are specified in worldwide standards issued by various authorities. These include: the international electro-technical commission (IEC), Underwriters laboratories (UL), and the Canadian standards association (CSA) authorities.

Compliance, verification, and certification are the focus of the certification institutes. These include: the German TUV and VDE (mostly operating in Europe), and the UL and the CSA (targeting mainly the USA and Canadian markets).

Standards related to safety requirements have a very wide scope. These safety standards cover many areas such as: classification, methodology, materials, mechanics, labeling, hardware, and software testing. Here, the target is just compliance with the software requirements when testing programmable electronic components, which form a specific part of the safety standards. These requirements are exceptionally subject of any change when a new upgrade of the standard is released. Also, there is significant similarity across commonly oriented safety standards that concern the testing of generic parts of microcontrollers, such as the *CPU* or memories.

The library presented in this document is based on a partial subset of testing modules developed and applied by ST to satisfy the stringent IEC 61508 industrial safety standard requirements. These modules are adapted to fulfill the IEC 60730 standard targeting household safety. That is why this new library adopts a different delivery format to that was used for previous releases. This format is derived from the industrial safety library, which is currently delivered as a black box pre-compiled object with no sources but with a clear outer interface definition. The advantage of this immutable solution is that it is compilation tool-chain agnostic. It is also independent of any other firmware such as *HAL*, *LL*, or *CMSIS* layer. This solution prevents unexpected compilation results when source code files previously verified on older versions of the library are re-compiled later by any newer compiler version or combined with the latest firmware drivers. This is generally a common practice.

Table 1. Applicable product

Part number	Order code
X-CUBE-CLASSB	X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4

1 General information

1.1 Purpose and scope

This document applies to the X-CUBE-CLASSB self-test library set dedicated for STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers that embed an Arm® Cortex®-M4. This X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 expansion package provides application independent software to comply with the UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1 safety standard. The UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1 safety standard targets the safety of automatic electrical controls used in association with household equipment and similar electronic applications.

The main purpose of this software library is to facilitate and accelerate:

- user software development
- certification processes for applications which are subject to the associated requirements and certifications.

The X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 expansion package runs on the Cortex®-M4 embedded in the STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers.

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The version of the application-independent software test library, self-test library, available in the X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 expansion package (and associated to this manual), `STL_Lib.a` file, is V4.0.0.

1.2 Reference documents

[1] UM2305, STM32L4 Series safety manual dedicated for applications targeting industrial safety

[2] AN4435, Guidelines for obtaining UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1/60335-1 Class B certification in any STM32 application dedicated to older versions of this library

2 STM32Cube overview

2.1 What is STM32Cube?

STM32Cube is an STMicroelectronics original initiative to improve designer productivity significantly by reducing development effort, time, and cost. STM32Cube covers the whole STM32 portfolio.

STM32Cube includes:

- A set of user-friendly software development tools to cover project development from conception to realization, among which are:
  - STM32CubeMX, a graphical software configuration tool that allows the automatic generation of C initialization code using graphical wizards
  - STM32CubeIDE, an all-in-one development tool with peripheral configuration, code generation, code compilation, and debug features
  - STM32CubeCLT, an all-in-one command-line development toolset with code compilation, board programming, and debug features
  - STM32CubeProgrammer (STM32CubeProg), a programming tool available in graphical and command-line versions
  - STM32CubeMonitor (STM32CubeMonitor, STM32CubeMonPwr, STM32CubeMonRF, STM32CubeMonUCPD), powerful monitoring tools to fine-tune the behavior and performance of STM32 applications in real time
- STM32Cube MCU and MPU Packages, comprehensive embedded-software platforms specific to each microcontroller and microprocessor series (such as STM32CubeL4 for the STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series), which include:
  - STM32Cube hardware abstraction layer (HAL), ensuring maximized portability across the STM32 portfolio
  - STM32Cube low-layer APIs, ensuring the best performance and footprints with a high degree of user control over hardware
  - A consistent set of middleware components such as RTOS, USB Host and Device, FAT file system, touch library, and graphics, STM32CubeL4, USB, and graphics
  - All embedded software utilities with full sets of peripheral and applicative examples
- STM32Cube Expansion Packages, which contain embedded software components that complement the functionalities of the STM32Cube MCU and MPU Packages with:
  - Middleware extensions and applicative layers
  - Examples running on some specific STMicroelectronics development boards

2.2 How does this software complement STM32Cube?

The software expansion package extends STM32Cube by a middleware component to manage specific software-based diagnostics.

The package provides a generic starting point to help a user to build and finalize application specific safety solutions. It consists of:

- *STL*: the self-test library. This provides a binary and some source code to manage the execution of generic safety tests for the microcontroller. The *STL* is a standalone unit, which runs independently from any STM32 software. It collects the self-tests for generic components of the microcontroller.
- User application: This is an *STL* integration example based on a set of STM32Cube drivers extending the *STL* by an application specific test. This part is delivered as full source code to be adapted or extended by calling of additional application specific modules defined by end user. The example can be used for the library testing including artificial failing support of all the provided modules.

3 STL overview

The *STL* is an application-independent software test library released by STMicroelectronics. The aim is to provide the implementation of a relevant subset of safety mechanisms required by the "Class B" related safety standards applicable to STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers. The *STL* is an *HAL* / *LL* independent library, dedicated to these microcontrollers. The *STL* is a compilation tool chain-agnostic, so any standard C-compiler can compile it.

The *STL* is an autonomous software. It executes, on application-demand, selected tests to detect hardware issues, and reports the outcomes to the application.

The *STL* is delivered partly in object code (for the library itself) and partly in source code for the user interface definitions and the user parameter settings.

3.1 Architecture overview

The *STL* implements tests required by UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1 for the Arm® Cortex®-M4 *CPU* core, and the volatile and nonvolatile memories embedded in the product.

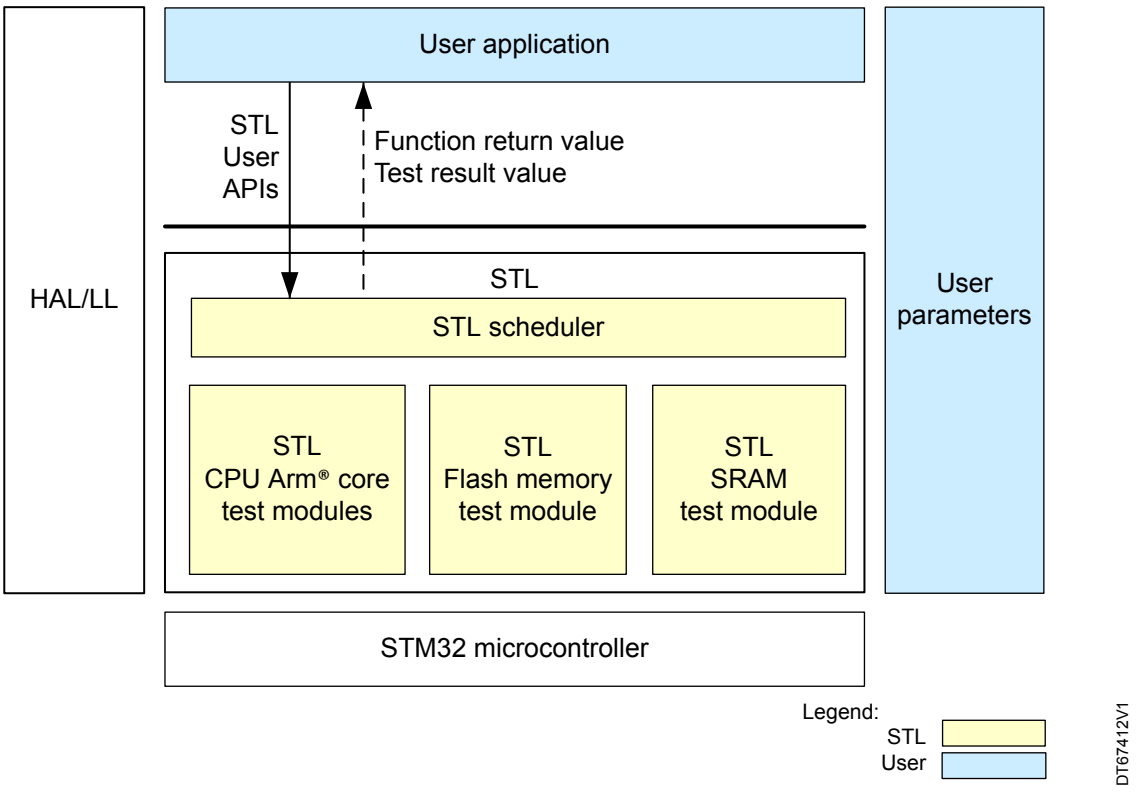
As shown in the figure below, a system architecture with an end-user application integrating the *STL* is composed of:

- User application (indicated in light blue)
- User parameters (indicated in light blue)
- *STL* scheduler (indicated in yellow): directly accessible by the user application via user *API*s (not going through *HAL* / *LL*)
- *STL* internal test modules: called by the *STL* scheduler (not visible to the user application).

The *STL* status information returned to the user application at *API* level (summarized in Table 2) is:

- Function return value collects result of internal defensive programming checks.
- Test module result value stores the test result information. This partially corresponds to internal status of the module (see Section 7.3 State machines).

Figure 1. *STL* architecture



The *STL* also allows the developer to:

- Use the artificial-failing feature. The developer can check the application behavior by forcing the *STL* to return a requested test-result value. This feature is available through the specific user API.

3.2 Supported products

The *STL* runs overall on the STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers, as the series features the same design and integration of the Cortex®-M4 core and the embedded memories.

4 STL description

This section describes basic information on the functionality and performance of the *STL*. The section also summarizes restrictions and mandatory actions to be followed by the end user.

4.1 STL functional description

Some test modules can temporarily mask interrupts. For more details, refer to Section 4.2.5 STL interrupt masking time and to Section 4.3.4 Interrupt management.

4.1.1 Scheduler principle

The scheduler is the *API* module needed by the user application to execute the *STL*.

The main scheduler:

- Must be initialized before being used
- Manages:
  - The initialization and deinitialization of the applied test modules
  - The configuration of the applied test modules
  - The reset of the applied test modules.
- Controls the execution of an applied test sequence (*API* calls)
- Manages "artificial failing" used for user debug and integration tests.
- Ensures the integrity of critical internal data structures via their specific checksums.

The scheduler controls the execution of the following tests:

- *CPU* tests: no specific initialization or configuration procedures of the *CPU* test module are required before any *CPU* test execution (see Section 7.2 User APIs and Figure 11).
- Flash memory tests operate on the content of the dedicated configuration structures defining subsets of the memory to be tested (see Section 7.1 User structures). These structures must be filled by the end user and the content maintained during both configuration and execution of the flash memory test. The test module initialization and configuration procedures are mandatory before any flash memory test execution, see Section 7.2 User APIs and Figure 12.
- RAM memory tests operate on the content of the dedicated configuration structures defining subsets of the memory to be tested (see Section 7.1 User structures). These structures must be filled by the end user and the content maintained during both configuration and execution of the RAM test. The RAM test module initialization and configuration procedures are mandatory before any RAM test execution, see Section 7.2 User APIs and Figure 13.

The *STL*, via the scheduler *API*, is called by the user in polling mode. The *STL* can be called under an interrupt context, but reentrance is forbidden. In such cases, the *STL* behavior cannot be guaranteed.

The user application has to consider all the returned information from the *STL*, provided via a specific predefined data structure collecting status information. See details in the following table.

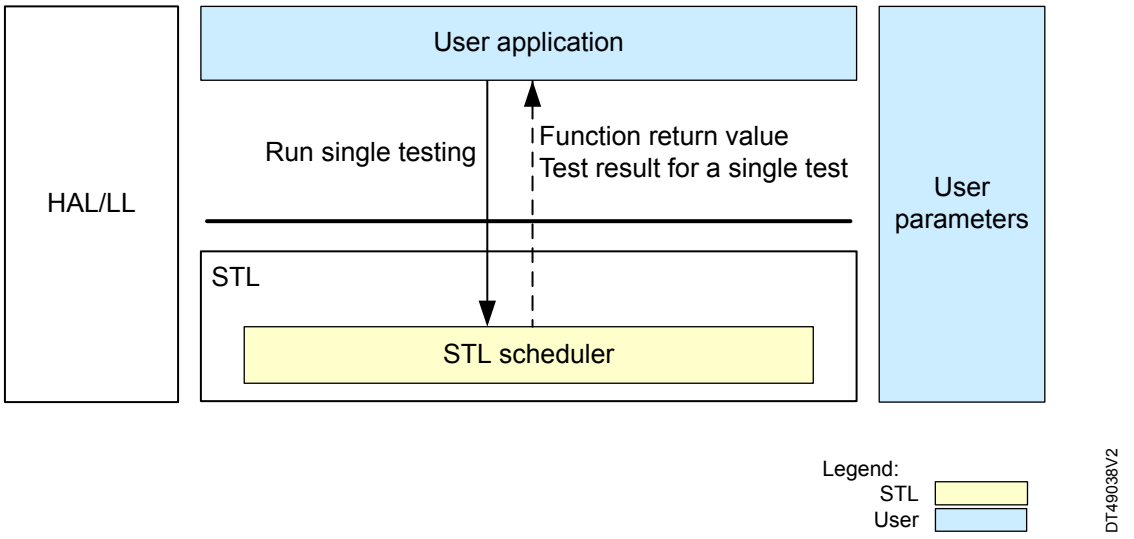
Table 2. STL return information

STL information	Value	Description
Function return value[1]	STL_OK	Scheduler function successfully executed
	STL_KO	Scheduler defensive programming error (in this case the test result is not relevant)
Test module result value[2]	STL_PASSED	Test passed
	STL_PARTIAL_PASSED	Used only for memory testing, when test is passed, but end of memory configuration has not yet been reached
	STL_FAILED	Hardware error detection by test module
	STL_NOT_TESTED	Test not executed
	STL_ERROR	Test module defensive programming error

1. *Refer to* `STL_Status_t` *definition in Section 7.1 User structures.*
2. *See* `STL_TmSTatus_t` *in Section 7.1 User structures.*

The user application repeatedly applies the call control scheme illustrated in the following figure to program a sequence of API function calls and so handle the order of the test modules execution.

Figure 2. Single test control call architecture



Scheduler and interrupts

The scheduler can be interrupted at any time.

4.1.2 CPU Arm® core tests

The *STL* includes the *CPU* test modules listed below, together with a generic description (for information only) of the test capability:

- TM1L: implements a light test pattern of general-purpose registers
- TM7: implements the pattern and functional tests of both stack pointers: *MSP*, and *PSP*
- TMCB: implements test of the *APSR* status register.

Caution: The *STL CPU* tests are partitioned in separated test modules. This is not intended to allow partial execution of the overall available *CPU TM*s. It is intended as a support feature to allow better *CPU* test scheduling in the end-user applications, for example timing constraints. By default, all available *TM*s are assumed to be executed.

CPU Arm® core tests and interrupts

The CPU test modules are interruptible at any time. The TM7 one only applies masking interrupt during the smallest data granularity time. Refer to Section 4.3.4 Interrupt management for detailed information on *CPU* TM7 interrupt management.

4.1.3 Flash memory tests

Principles

The flash test concerns the embedded flash memory of STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series.

The following structures must be respected to provide correct configuration of the flash memory test.

- Block: a contiguous area of 4 bytes (FLASH_BLOCK_SIZE), hard coded by *STL*.
- Section: a contiguous area of 1024 bytes (FLASH_SECTION_SIZE), hard coded by the *STL*. This has no link with the memory physical sector. The memory is partitioned in sections. The first section starts at the first address of the memory, and the following sections are contiguous with each other.
  The user must ensure proper calculation and placement of the *CRC* checksum for each section that is to be checked during the memory integrity test.
- Binary (named 'user program' in Figure 4): a contiguous area of code provided by the compiler. It starts at the beginning of a section. It usually ends with an incomplete section when the binary area size is not a multiple of the section size. In all cases, the binary must be 32-bit aligned (see ST *CRC* tool information below).
- Subset: a contiguous area of sections defined by the user. The user application can define one subset or several subsets. A subset has to be defined within a binary area. Its start address has to be aligned with the beginning of a section. It can only include sections with the corresponding precalculated *CRC* values. When the last section of a subset is the last part of the binary, the section may be incomplete. The user application has to align the end of the subset with the end address of the binary area. If a set of complete sections is tested exclusively, the subset end address has to be aligned with the end of the last-tested section.
  The subset is calculated as follows:
  Subset size = K * FLASH_SECTION_SIZE + L * FLASH_BLOCK_SIZE
  where:
  – K is an integer greater than 0.
  – 0 ≤ L < (FLASH_SECTION_SIZE / FLASH_BLOCK_SIZE) when L > 0 the last section of a binary is incomplete.

  The user application defines single or multiple subsets as well as their associated test sequences.

The *STL* implements a test of the flash memory with the following principles (based on actual content of the user configuration structures):

- Tests are performed on sections of one or more subsets defined by the user application.
- Tests are performed either in a row (one shot) or partially in a single atomic step for a number of sections defined by the user application.
- Test results are based on a *CRC* comparison between the computed *CRC* value (calculated during test execution) and an expected *CRC* value (calculated before software binary flashing).

The mandatory steps (for the user application) to perform flash memory tests are:

- Test initialization
- Configuration of one or more subsets
- Execution of the test.

Once all subsets are tested, the user needs to reset the flash memory test module to perform the test again.

In the case of an STL_ERROR / STL_FAILED test result, the test module is stuck at the failed memory subset. In this case, deinitalize, initialize and reconfigure the flash memory test prior to running it again.

Expected CRC precalculation

The flash memory test is based on the built-in hardware *CRC* unit or software *CRC*, which is configurable by a flag. The default configuration is with the hardware *CRC*. To use the software *CRC*, the flag STL_SW_CRC must be enabled as defined in step 3 in Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch. The *CRC* is a 32-bit *CRC* compliant with IEEE 802.3.

Part of the flash memory is reserved for the *CRC* dedicated area, the size of which depends on the flash memory size. This area has a field format where each flash memory section has sufficient reserved space to store a 32-bit *CRC* pattern. The user must ensure that valid *CRC* patterns are calculated and stored in the fields for all the sections to be tested. This is shown in Figure 3.

One expected *CRC* value is precalculated for each contiguous section of a binary, from binary start to binary end. This means that the number of testable sections depends on the binary size. Commonly, the binary area is not aligned with the section size. In that case, the *CRC* check value of the last incomplete section is precalculated and tested exclusively over the section part that overlays the binary area.

Preconditions:

- The user program areas have to start at the beginning of a section
- The boundaries of the user program areas must be 32-bit aligned.
- Depending on total flash memory size and on user program size, last program data and first *CRC* data may be both stored in the same flash section (without any overlap). In that case, the *CRC* must be computed on the user program data only, see example 3 in ..

ST CRC tool information

ST provides a *CRC* precalculation tool. This tool is available as a single feature inside the STM32CubeProgrammer (see Section 6.2.2 *CRC* tool set-up), which automatically fills the binary with padding bits (0x00 pattern) for a 32-bit alignment.

Figure 3. Flash memory test: *CRC* principle

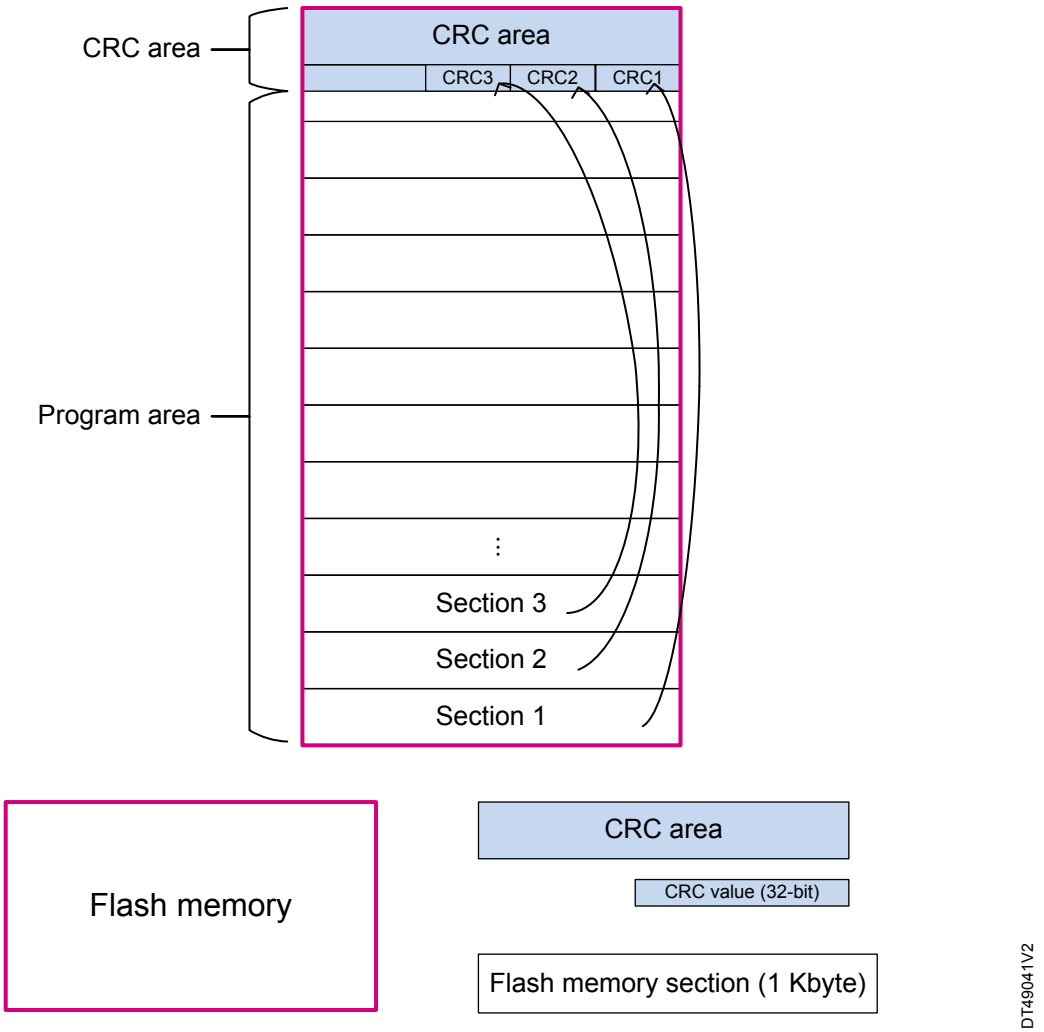
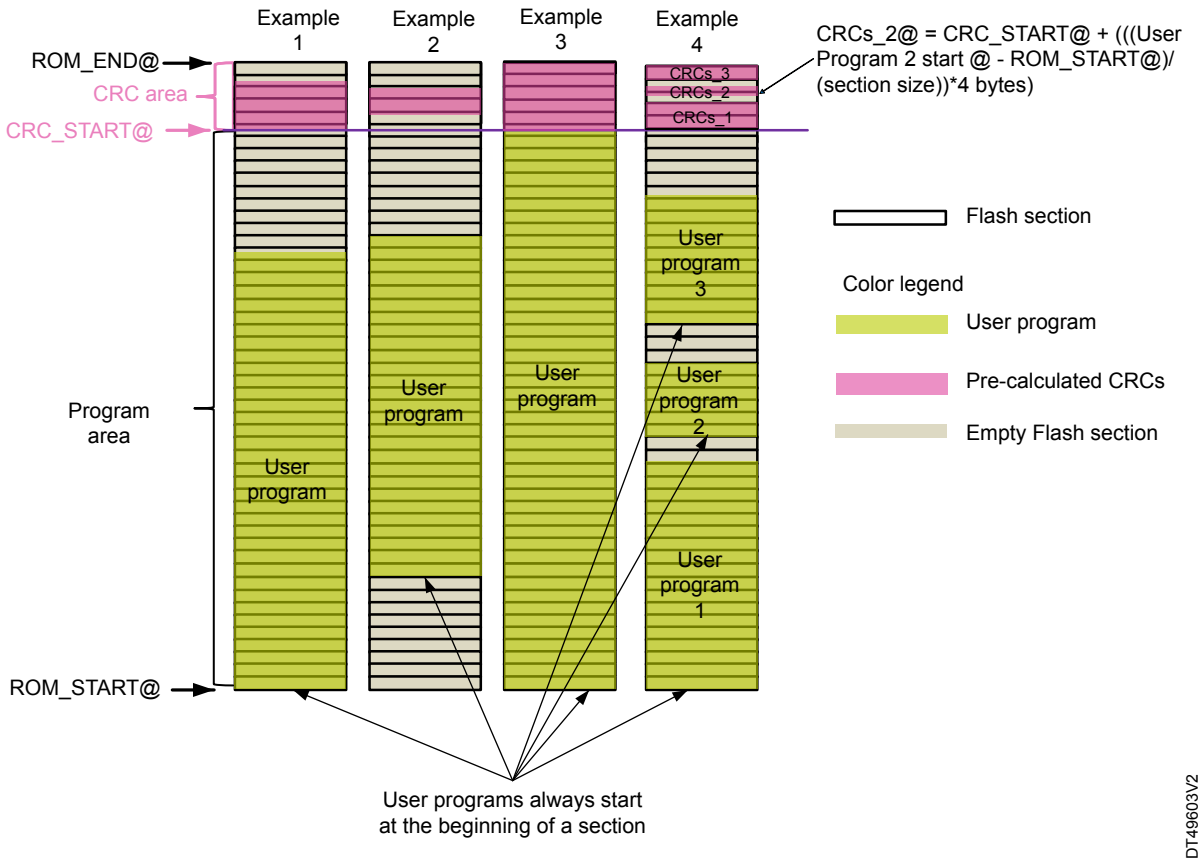


Figure 4. Flash memory test: *CRC* use cases versus program areas



Use case descriptions illustrated in Figure 4:

- Example 1: the user program starts at the ROM_START address, so *CRC*s are stored from the CRC_START address.
- Example 2: the user program starts at the beginning of a section, but not at ROM_START. The stored *CRC*s start at the right address of the *CRC* area.
- Example 3: the user program uses the full program area, so the last program data and the first *CRC* data are both stored in the same memory section (without any overlap).
- Example 4: the user program is defined in three separated areas. This requires three separated areas for the *CRC* data.

CRC start address computation:

- Real calculation:
  CRC_START address = (uint32_t *)(ROM_END - 4 * (ROM_END + 1 - ROM_START)/ (FLASH_SECTION_SIZE) + 1); with FLASH_SECTION_SIZE = 1024
- Textual translation:
  CRC_START = ROM_END - (*CRC* size in bytes) * (number of the memory sections) + 1

Flash memory test and interrupts

Flash memory *TM* is interruptible at any time.

4.1.4 RAM tests

Principles

The RAM test concerns the embedded SRAM memories of STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series.
The following structures must be respected to provide correct configuration of the RAM test.

- Block: a contiguous area of 16 bytes (RAM_BLOCK_SIZE), hard coded by the *STL* (no link with the memory physical sectors).
- Section: a contiguous area of 128 bytes (RAM_SECTION_SIZE), hard coded by the *STL*.
- Subset: a contiguous area, with the size being a multiple of two blocks and with a 32-bit aligned start address. A subset size is not necessarily a multiple of the section size, because the last part of a subset can be less than one section.
- Subset size = N * RAM_SECTION_SIZE + 2 * M * RAM_BLOCK_SIZE,
  where:
  - N is an integer ≥ 0
  - M is an integer 0 ≤ M < 4, when M > 0, the size of the last partial subset not aligned with section size.

  The user application defines single or multiple subsets as well as their associated test sequences.

The *STL* implements a RAM memory test with the following principles (based on actual content of the user configuration structures):

- RAM tests are performed on RAM blocks defined by the user application
- RAM tests are performed either in a row (one shot), or partially in a single atomic step for a number of sections defined by the user application
- The test implementation is based on the March C- algorithm

The mandatory steps (for the user application) to perform RAM tests are:

- Initialization of RAM test
- Configuration of one or more RAM subsets
- Execution of the RAM test

Once all subsets are tested, the application must reset the RAM test module in order to perform the test again.

In the case of an STL_ERROR / STL_FAILED test result, the test module is stuck in the failed memory subset. In this case, deinitialize, initialize and reconfigure the RAM prior to running the test again.

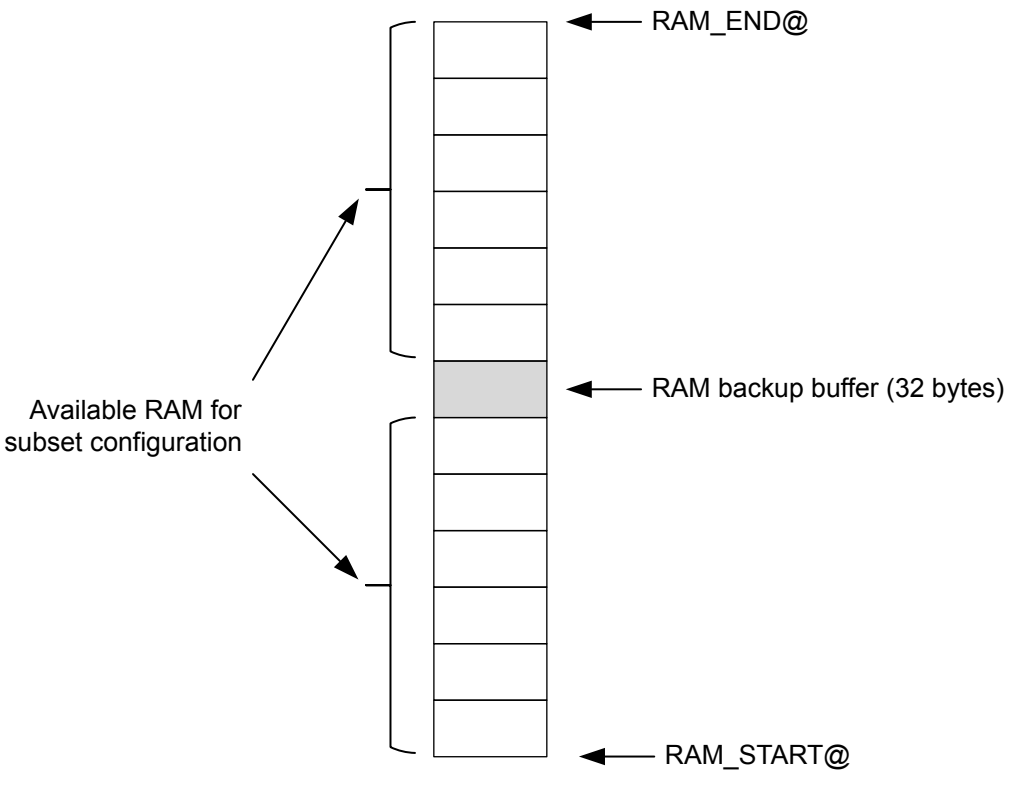
RAM test and interrupts

The RAM *TM* is interruptible at any time except during the execution of the smallest data granularity block as defined in Section 4.2.5 STL interrupt masking time. This is when the STM32 interrupts and Cortex® exceptions with configurable priority are temporarily masked by default. Refer to Section 4.3.4 Interrupt management for detailed information on interrupt management during RAM March-C tests.

March C- test principle and memory backup principle

The RAM test is based on a March C- algorithm where memory is overwritten by specific patterns and then read back in a specific orders. To restore the initial memory content, a backup process is enabled by default. At this case, the user must allocate a specific backup area that is also tested by the March C- test. The backup process can be optionally disabled if it is not required. Refer to Section 4.3.7 RAM backup buffer for detailed information on the buffer control and allocation.

Figure 5. **RAM test: usage**



4.2 STL performance data

The data is obtained with the following test set-up:

- *STL* library compilation details, described in Application: compilation process.
- Projects for performance tests are compiled with IAR Embedded Workbench® for Arm® (EWARM) toolchain v9.30.1
- Compiled software configuration with:
  - HCLK clock set to 80 MHz
  - Flash memory latency set to four wait states
  - Flash prefetch enabled
  - NUCLEO-L476RG (MB1136 Rev C)

4.2.1 STL execution timings

A summary of the *STL* execution timings when an optimal default *STL* settings are applied is shown in the following table. The measurements for each *API* are detailed in Section 8 STL: execution timing details.

Table 3. **STL execution timings, clock at 80 MHz**

Tested module	Conditions		Result in µs
CPU	TM1L, TM7, TMCB		76
Flash memory	Default configuration (STL_SW_CRC not enabled)	1 Kbyte tested	41
		17 Kbytes tested	536
	STL_SW_CRC enabled	1 Kbyte tested	236
		17 Kbytes tested	3873
RAM	Default configuration (neither STL_DISABLE_RAM_BCKUP_BUF, nor STL_ENABLE_IT are enabled)	128 bytes tested	84
		130 Kbytes tested	69578

4.2.2 STL code and data size

The STL code and data sizes are detailed in the following table.

Table 4. **STL code size and data size (in bytes)**

Configuration	Module	Flash memory code	Flash memory RO-data	R/W data
STL_SW_CRC not enabled, and STL_DISABLE_RAM_BCKUP_BUF not enabled	`stl_user_param_template.o`	-	1	44
	`stl_util.o`	210	2	8
	`stl_lib.a`	5064	1392	184
STL_SW_CRC enabled, and STL_DISABLE_RAM_BCKUP_BUF not enabled	`stl_user_param_template.o`	-	2	44
	`stl_util.o`	94	1	4
	`stl_lib.a`	5064	1392	184

4.2.3 STL stack usage

The minimum stack-available space required by the *STL* to execute available *API*s is 200 bytes.

4.2.4 STL heap usage

The STL never uses dynamic allocation, therefore the heap size is independent of the *STL*.

4.2.5 STL interrupt masking time

The STM32 interrupts, and Cortex® exceptions with configurable priority, are masked multiple times by the *STL* during the execution of *CPU* TM7 and RAM tests. As shown in the following table, the maximum interrupt masking time is obtained for a RAM test.

Table 5. *STL* maximum interrupt masking information

Tested module	Duration (max) in µs	Steps
RAM	8	Each execution of STL_SCH_RunRamTM function performs a series of interrupt masking during partial steps of the test at the following time durations: • 7 µs for backup buffer + • 6 µs for the first RAM block to be tested • 8 µs for each middle RAM block to be tested(1) • 6 µs for the last RAM block to be tested
TM7	6	Masked twice for 6 µs

1. *Number of RAM blocks (multiple of two RAM_BLOCK_SIZE is required) involved with each RAM test execution depends on content of user structures (size of defined subset(s) versus atomic step – see Section 4.1.4 RAM tests)*

4.3 STL user constraints

The end user needs to consider interference between the application and the *STL*. The consequences of ignoring this are possible false *STL* error reporting, and/or application software execution issues.

Accordingly, to prevent any interference the application software and the *STL* integration must comply with each constraint listed in this section.

4.3.1 Privileged-level

The *CPU* TM7 and the RAM TM must be executed with privileged-level, in order to be able to modify certain core registers (for example the PRIMASK register).

4.3.2 RCC resources

During *STL* execution, the RCC is configured to always provide a clock to the *CRC* hardware module during *STL* initialization and optionally during *STL* Flash test module execution. This means that:

- when the *STL* returns, it restores the user RCC clock setting (enabled or disabled) for the *CRC*
- the user application should be careful when configuring the RCC during *STL* execution by saving/restoring the *STL* settings.

4.3.3 CRC resources

The STM32 *CRC* hardware module is used during *STL* execution in two different cases:

- During execution of *STL* initialization (function STL_SCH_Init): The use of the *CRC* hardware module in this phase cannot be modified by the application software, so the STL_SW_CRC flag has no impact during execution of the STL_SCH_Init function.
- During execution of the flash memory test module, the application can choose between hardware and software calculation of the *CRC* checksums by means of the STL_SW_CRC flag. By default, hardware *CRC* is used (the STL_SW_CRC flag is disabled).

The use of hardware *CRC* means that:

- Before calling the *STL*, the user application must save the complete hardware *CRC* module configuration. The user configuration has to be restored after the *STL* execution.
- During the *STL* execution, the hardware *CRC* module is configured and used for *STL* needs (the user application must save/restore the *STL* settings when using the module outside of *STL* execution).

4.3.4 Interrupt management

Escalation mechanism - Arm® Cortex® behavior reminder

When the *STL* disables STM32 interrupts, and Cortex® exceptions with configurable priority, remember that an Arm® Cortex® escalation to HardFault might occur. In this case, the HardFault handler is called instead of the fault handler.

Interrupt and CPU TM7

By default, the STM32 interrupts and Cortex® exceptions with configurable priority are temporarily masked during the *CPU* TM7 execution within smallest data granularity (a few instruction blocks), except if the user application activates the STL_ENABLE_IT compilation switch (see Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch).

If the STL_ENABLE_IT flag is activated, the correct *STL* CPU TM7 behavior is not guaranteed. The end user is responsible for managing interferences between the *STL* and its application software that could lead the *STL* to generate false test error reporting or not to detect hardware failures.

Interrupt and RAM March C- tests

By default, the STM32 interrupts and Cortex® exceptions with configurable priority are masked during the *RAM* March C- tests, except if the user application activates the STL_ENABLE_IT compilation switch (see Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch).

If the STL_ENABLE_IT flag is activated:

- The correct *STL RAM* test behavior is not guaranteed, as the application may overwrite the STL-tested *RAM* content during its interrupt treatment. The end user is responsible for managing interferences between the STL and its application software that could lead the *STL* to generate false *RAM* test error reporting.
- The behavior of the user application software can be compromised. Wrong data may be read or used from *RAM* locations that are being modified by the *STL* March C- test.

Interrupt and general purpose registers

During *STL* execution, the application must save and restore the general-purpose registers in the STM32 interrupt and Cortex® exception with configurable priority service routine to ensure correct *STL* behavior and prevent any false error reporting.

How *STL* masks the interrupts

To mask the interrupts, the *STL* sets the PRIMASK register bit to 1. Setting this bit to 1 boosts the current execution priority to 0, preventing the activation of all exceptions with configurable priority. Thus when the current execution priority is boosted to a particular value, all exceptions with a lower or equal priority are masked.

4.3.5 DMA

The application must manage the DMA to avoid unwanted accesses to the RAM bank during the *STL* March C- test. In this case:

- DMA writes can disturb the *STL* test causing false error reporting
- DMA reads can return wrong data due to *STL* overwrites to DMA dedicated RAM sections.

4.3.6 Supported memories

The *STL* memory tests provided (Flash TM and RAM TM) must only be executed on STM32 internal embedded memories.

4.3.7 RAM backup buffer

The backup process is enabled by default during RAM tests to preserve the RAM content. The user must then reserve a specific area for the RAM backup buffer at compilation time which must be allocated outside RAM subset configuration. There is only one RAM backup buffer defined for the test. The RAM backup buffer area is also tested by the March C- algorithm each time a RAM run test is called (prior to any subset defined by the user is tested).

The backup process can be optionally disabled either permanently by activating the compilation switch STL_DISABLE_RAM_BCKUP_BUF (see Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch) or temporarily suppressed by specific control sequence (see note below). In this case, it is the resposibilty of the end-user to guarantee that the application software does not consume data destroyed by the March C- test. This option can be used to speed up testing of those RAM areas where users do not need to preserve the memory content.

Note: For a temporary suppression of the RAM backup buffer, the user must follow a set sequence:

1. *Change the `STL_pRamTmBckUpBuf` variable value to overwrite it by NULL, while keeping a backup of the original value (default value stored by the STL).*
2. *The RAM test must then be restarted. To do so the user can use one of the APIs which force the RAM test into either RAM_IDLE or RAM_INIT state (see state diagrams in Section 7.3 State machines) .*

To remove the backup suppression, the user must perform the same steps as above while restoring the default value of `STL_pRamTmBckUpBuf` to its original value and reinitialize the RAM test.

4.3.8 Memory mapping

Due to the RAM test module and March C method design, the user must ensure that the “read only” data of the *STL* is located in the flash memory. This must be done via a proper adaptation of the associated linker file .

The examples below are for EWARM and STM32CubeIDE.

EWARM .icf file adaptation example

```
place in ROM_region { readonly };
```

STM32CubeIDE.ld file adaptation example

```
.rodata :
{
.....
} >ROM
```

Note: Usually the default configuration locates “read only” data in flash memory.

4.3.9 Processor mode

The *STL CPU* TM7 must be executed in thread mode in order to set the active stack pointer to the process stack pointer. If the *STL* is not executed in thread mode, the *CPU* TM7 returns STL_ERROR.

4.4 End-user integration tests

This section describes the mandatory tests to be executed by the end user during the verification phase. These tests guarantee that the *STL* is correctly integrated in the application software.

4.4.1 Test 1: correct STL execution

The end user must use the expected function-return value and the expected test-module result value (see Section 7.2 User APIs) to check that each planned diagnostic function has been correctly executed. This concerns both the test modules execution and all their configuration actions.

4.4.2 Test 2: correct STL error-message processing

The end user must check that any error information produced by the *STL* function-return and test-module result values is correctly interpreted as unexpected behavior, and correctly handled in its application software. Error information refers to values different to the expected value, see Section 7.2 User APIs). During the verification, the artificial-failing feature must be used to emulate the generation of incorrect test-module result values related to associated individual software diagnostics (*CPU* tests, RAM test, flash memory test), for each of the individual functions used.

This process cannot be considered as an exhaustive simulation of actual *CPU* failures on real devices but rather a testing interface of the implemented *APIs*.

Note: Some certifying bodies may require exhaustive simulation to demonstrate STL capability to capture corruption of STM32 registers or memories injected intentionally during debugging the STL code. To perform these tests is practically impossible for any end user due to STL object delivery format. This specific testing was done for all the provided TMs during the STL certification process and its passing is recorded at internal test reports and guaranteed by the valid certificate issued for this ST firmware.

5 Package description

This section details the X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 expansion package content and its correct use.

5.1 General description

X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 is a software expansion package for STM32L4 series and STM32L4+ series microcontrollers.

It provides a complete solution that helps end customers to build a safety application:

- An application-independent software test library is available:
  - partly as object code: `STL_Lib.a`, the library itself
  - partly as source file: `stl_user_param_template.c` and `stl_util.c`
  - with three header files: `stl_stm32_hw_config.h`, `stl_user_api.h`, and `stl_util.h`
- A user application example, available as source code.

X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 has been ported on the products listed in Section 3.2 Supported products.

The software expansion package includes a sample application that the developer can use to start experimenting with the code. It is provided as a zip archive containing both source code and library.

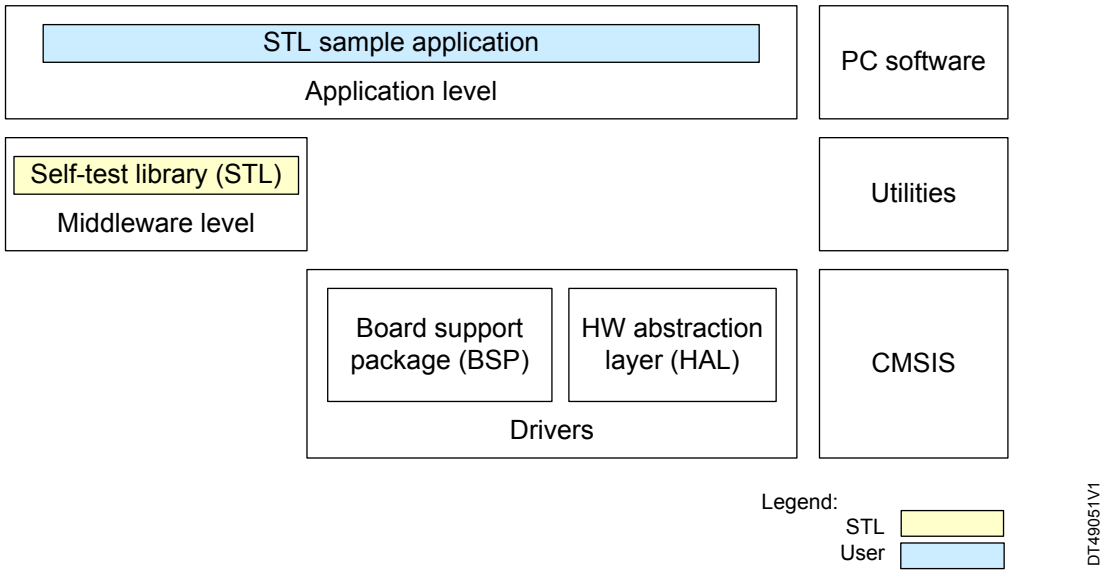
The following integrated development environments are supported:

- IAR Embedded Workbench® for Arm® (EWARM)
- Keil® microcontroller development kit (MDK-ARM)
- STM32CubeIDE.

5.2 Architecture

The components of the X-CUBE-CLASSB-L4 expansion package are illustrated in Figure 6.

Figure 6. Software architecture overview



5.2.1 STM32Cube HAL

The *HAL* driver layer provides a simple, generic, multi-instance set of *API*s (application programming interfaces) to interact with the upper layers (application, libraries, and stacks).

It comprises generic and extension *API*s. It is directly built around a generic architecture and allows the layers that are built upon, such as the middleware layer, to implement their functionalities without dependencies on the specific hardware configuration of a given microcontroller.

This structure improves the library code re-usability and guarantees an easy portability to other devices.

5.2.2 Board support package (BSP)

The software package needs to support the peripherals on the STM32 boards, apart from the MCU. This software is included in the board support package (BSP). This is a limited set of *API*s that provides a programming interface for some specific board components, such as the LED and the user button.

5.2.3 STL

A significant part of the *STL*, available at middleware level, is a black box that manages the software-based diagnostic test. It is independent from the *HAL*, *BSP*, and *CMSIS*, even if the *STL* integration example relies on some *HAL* drivers.

5.2.4 User application example

The example shows how to integrate a possible sequence of the *STL* test module calls into an application when adopting different IDEs, verify the returns of the *API*s, and emulate their failure responses artificially. Additionally, a specific module for testing the clock system by applying a monitoring method compliant with the "*Class B*" standard requirements is included with a full source code to extend the available library set. It demonstrates how the library can be extended by specific tests or modules entirely defined by the end user.

The example also shows a possible way to differentiate between the overall initial startup test and the sequence of partial tests performed periodically during application runtime.

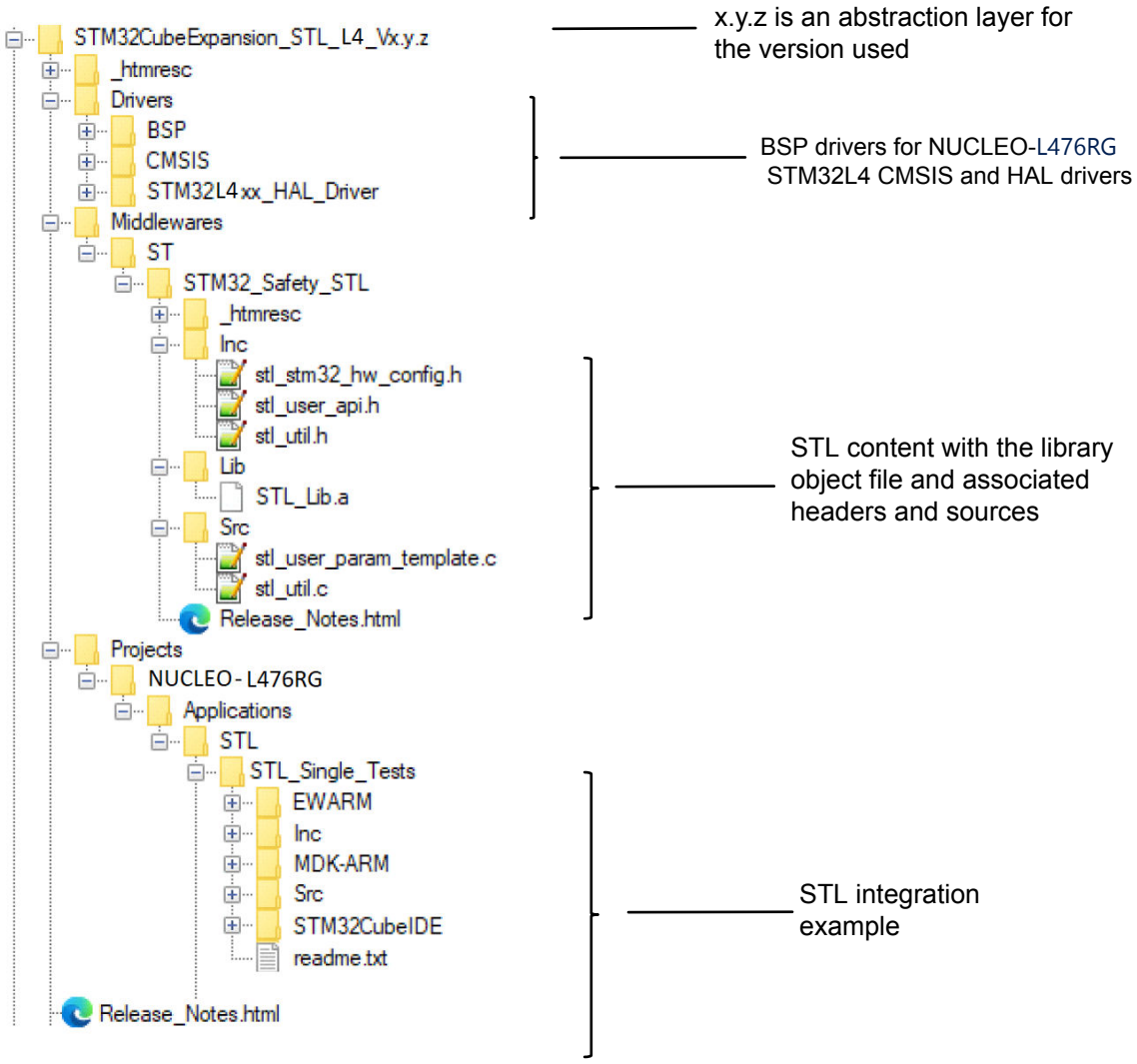
5.2.5 STL integrity

The integrity of the STL content is ensured by hash SHA-256.

5.3 Folder structure

A top-level view of the structure is shown in Figure 7.

Figure 7. Project file structure



5.4 APIs

5.4.1 Compliance

Interface compliance

The library part of the *STL*, not delivered in source code, has been compiled with IAR Embedded Workbench® for Arm v9.30.1. The compilation is done with `--aeabi` and `--guard_calls` compilation options to fulfill AEABI compliance as described in “AEABI compliance” of the EWARM help section.

This library can be compiled by any standard version of the EWARM compiler.

Safety guidelines

To fulfill the safety guidelines compliance as described in the IAR Embedded Workbench® safety guide (advice 2.1-1, 2.2-5, 2.4-1a and 5.4-3) and the Keil® safety manual (§4.9.2), the compliance is done with `--strict`, `--remarks`, `--require_prototypes` and `--no_unaligned_access` compilation options.

Library compliance

The library part of the *STL* (not delivered in source code) is compliant with C standard library ISO C99.

It has been compiled with the IAR™ option. Language C dialect = C99.

Arm® compiler C toolchain vendor/version independency

The *STL* user *API* refers only to the "`uint32_t`" and "`enum`" C types:

- "`uint32_t`" C type is a fixed type size of 32 bits according to C standard C99
- "`enum`" C type size, according to C standard C99, is defined by the implementation. It must be able to represent the values of all the enumeration members. In the *STL* interface, the `enum` type values are unsigned integers, smaller than or equal to (2^{32} - 1). The user must ensure that the `enum` type value can hold a 32-bit value.

Even if an Arm® compiler C toolchain introduces a compatibility break on some items between versions other than `uint32_t` or `enum` types and report a warning, there it is no impact on *STL* behavior.

5.4.2 Dependency

The *STL* library calls the `memset` standard C library function.

Furthermore, the IAR™ EWARM toolchain compiler is used to compile the *STL* library. This compiler may, under some circumstances, call the following standard C library functions: `memcpy`, `memset`, and `memclr`. This behavior is intrinsic to the IAR™ EWARM toolchain compiler. It is not possible to disable or avoid it.

As a result, when linking the *STL* library the user must ensure that these standard C library functions are defined. The user can use either the functions provided by the toolchain or the user ones.

5.4.3 Details

Detailed technical information about the available *API*s can be found in Section 7.2 User APIs, where the functions and parameters are described.

5.5 Application: compilation process

5.5.1 Steps to build a delivered STL example

Ensure the following steps are completed:

1. Install the ST *CRC* tool (see Section 6.2.2 *CRC* tool set-up) or other *CRC* tool that generate an adequate structure necessary for proper execution of the flash test.
2. Select a project example and open it.
3. Launch the build which compiles the binary and post build command invokes *CRC* tool to calculate and allocate the *CRC* results. In case of error, check the *CRC* tool path. For details see Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch.
4. Load the compiled binary.
5. Execute the example code.

Boot the board and check the result.

- LED toggle regularly: test result is as expected.
- LED toggle irregularly: there is an error.

If any test returns a failure result, the LED flashes once every 2 sec. If the *STL* detects a defense programming error, the LED flashes once every 4 sec.

The `FailSafe_Handler` procedure is then called with a parameter keeping the identification code of the failed module

Note: The codes definitions are given in the `stl_user_api.h` file, in the case of a defensive programing failure, the DEF_PROG_OFFSET is added to the module code.

5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch

To build an application from scratch, follow the steps listed below:

1. Create new application project with a suitable directory structure and with all the appropriate packages. Use STM32CubeMX tool to make it automatically.
2. If any automated include options of the *STL* in the project is not supported by the STM32CubeMX tool, copy and paste the content of the `...Middleware\ST\STM32_Safety_STL` directory from the delivered *STL* example into the application project directories structure. Refer to Section 5.3 Folder structure. In this case, modify the project setting manually while following the next steps:
   - Add all the *STL* source files located at the SRC directory into the project.
   - Assign the INC directory as an additional directory to be included in the project.
   - Force the linker to include the library object file located at the LIB directory as an additional library .

Note: This second step is necessary only when no automatic including option is supported by the CubeMX tool else it is fully performed by the tool - then there is no need for any manual intervention as described above - user can leave them out and continue by Step 3

3. If needed, add the next optional preprocessor compilation switches at project settings:
   - Option to enable STL_DISABLE_RAM_BCKUP_BUF, if the RAM backup buffer is not used (in this case the RAM data of the tested subsets are destroyed). If not activated, the RAM backup buffer is used by default. In such cases, the "backup_buffer_section" section must be defined in the linker scatter file.
   - Option to enable STL_SW_CRC: this is where the user application selects the software *CRC* . If not activated, the hardware *CRC* calculation is used by default.
   - Option to enable STL_ENABLE_IT: this is where the user application enables the STM32 interrupts during the CPU TM7, and RAM test. If not activated, the interrupts are masked during these tests. See Section 4.3.4 Interrupt management and Section 4.1.4 RAM tests.
4. Check the configuration of the flash memory density.
   It is mandatory to set the correct range of the memory for the project at `stl_user_param_template.c` file. Update the STL_ROM_END_ADDR there especially to ensure coherency with the associated linker scatter file and the *CRC* tool script (see step 6.).
5. Develop the user *STL* flow control. It is done by implementing the proper sequence of *API* calls repeated at periodical cycles, as required by the defined safety task.
   It is mandatory to ensure a proper filling of all the associated user structures to control the memory tests and apply a correct check of the *STL* return information. Refer to Section 7 STL: User APIs and state machines.
6. Apply the *CRC* tool to build the *CRC* area content necessary for the *CRC* calculation. Refer to Section 6.2.2 *CRC* tool set-up.
   Execute a proper command line of the STM32CubeProgrammer. This can be done automatically within the compilation process by invoking the IDE post build feature action as seen in Figure 8 and Figure 9.
7. Compile, load, and execute the binary.

Artificial failing *API*s can be used to debug a correct behavior of the programmed *STL* flow if the *STL* detects a hardware failure.

Figure 8. IAR™ post-build actions screenshot

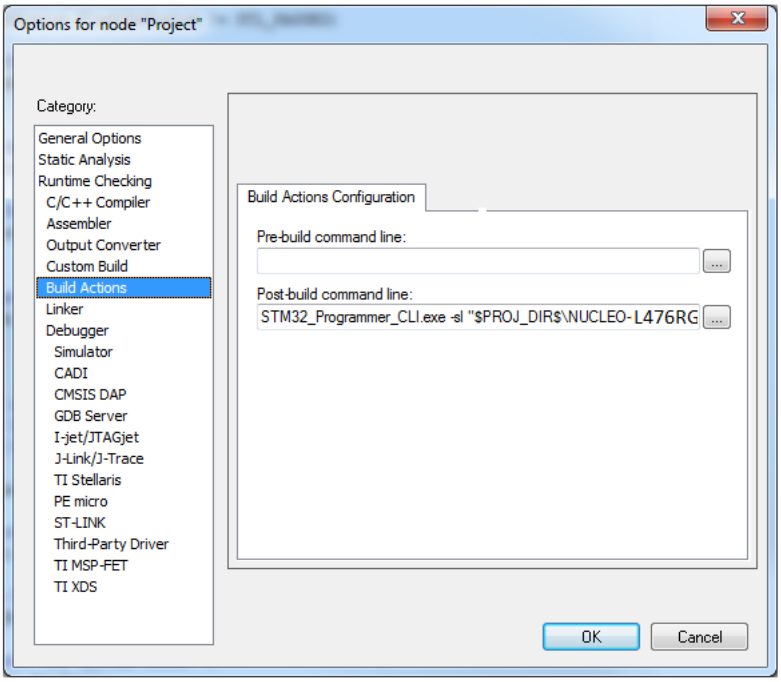
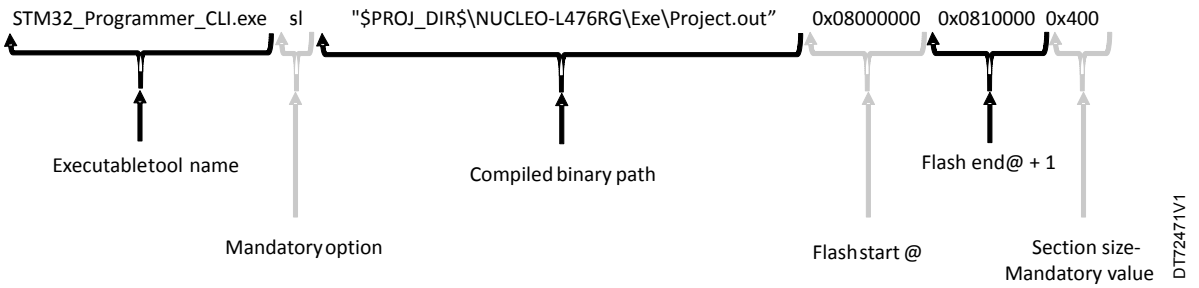


Figure 9. *CRC* tool command line



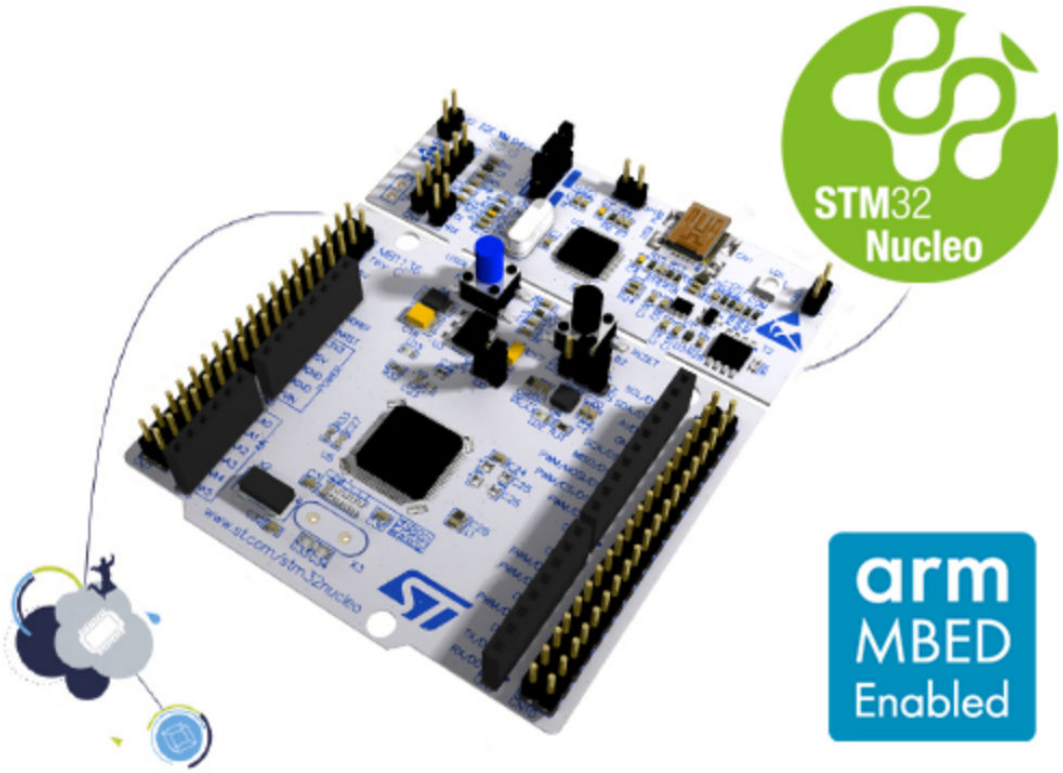
6 Hardware and software environment setup

6.1 Hardware setup

The STM32 Nucleo boards provide an affordable and flexible way for users to try out new ideas and build prototypes with any STM32 microcontroller lines. The ARDUINO® connectivity support and ST morpho headers make it easy to expand the functionality of the STM32 Nucleo open development platform with a wide choice of specialized expansion boards. The STM32 Nucleo board does not require any separate probe as it integrates the ST-LINK/V2-1 debugger/programmer. The STM32 Nucleo boards comes with the STM32 comprehensive software HAL library together with various packaged-software examples.

Details about the STM32 Nucleo boards are available from the http://www.st.com/stm32nucleo web page.

Figure 10. STM32 Nucleo board example



The following components are needed:

- NUCLEO-L476RG (MB1136 Rev C) development board
- USB type A to Micro-B USB cable to connect the development board to the PC.

6.2 Software setup

This section lists the minimum requirements for the developer to set up the SDK, to run the sample scenario, and to customize applications.

6.2.1 Development tool-chains and compilers

Select one of the *IDE*s supported by the STM32Cube software expansion package.

Read the system requirements and setup information provided by the selected *IDE* provider.

Check the projects Release_Notes.html file inside the release package, and refer to the chapter *IDE* compatibility, if it exists.

6.2.2 *CRC* tool set-up

ST provides a *CRC* tool, available as a single feature inside the STM32CubeProgrammer, used for flash memory testing. Other *CRC* tools can be used, provided they fulfill the requirements detailed in Expected CRC precalculation.

Tool installation procedure:

1. Select STM32CubeProgrammer on the dedicated web page available on www.st.com
2. Install the package.

The easiest way is to add the tool path in the environment variable (computer administration rights are required). If not, the path must be added directly in the project for compilation, in the post-build option.

7 STL: User APIs and state machines

7.1 User structures

The structures are defined in `stl_user_api.h`. It is forbidden to change the content of this file.

Structures detailed hereafter are copies of the `stl_user_api.h` content:

```
typedef enum
{
  STL_OK = STL_OK_DEF, /* Scheduler function successfully executed */
  STL_KO = STL_KO_DEF /* Scheduler function unsuccessfully executed
                         (defensive programming error, checksum error). In this case
                          the STL_TmStatus_t values are not relevant */
} STL_Status_t; /* Type for the status return value of the STL function execution */
```

```
typedef enum
{
  STL_PASSED = STL_PASSED_DEF,  /* Test passed. For Flash/RAM, test is passed and end of
                                   configuration is also reached */
  STL_PARTIAL_PASSED = STL_PARTIAL_PASSED_DEF, /* Used only for RAM and Flash testing.
                                                  Test passed, But end of Flash/RAM
                                                               configuration not yet reached */
  STL_FAILED = STL_FAILED_DEF, /* Hardware error detection by Test Module */
  STL_NOT_TESTED = STL_NOT_TESTED_DEF, /* Initial value after a SW init, SW config,
                                          SW reset, SW de-init or value when Test Module
                                          not executed */
  STL_ERROR = STL_ERROR_DEF /* Test Module unsuccessfully executed (defensive programing
                               check failed) */
} STL_TmStatus_t; /* Type for the result of a Test Module */
```

```
typedef enum
{
  STL_CPU_TM1L_IDX = 0U,     /* CPU Arm Core Test Module 1L index */
  STL_CPU_TM7_IDX,      /* CPU Arm Core Test Module 7 index */
  STL_CPU_TMCB_IDX,      /* CPU Arm Core Test Module Class B index */
  STL_CPU_TM_MAX        /* Number of CPU Arm Core Test Modules */
} STL_CpuTmxIndex_t;    /* Type for index of CPU Arm Core Test
                           Modules */
```

```
typedef struct STL_MemSubset_struct
{
  uint32_t StartAddr; /* start address of Flash or RAM memory subset */
  uint32_t EndAddr; /* end address of Flash or RAM memory subset */

  struct STL_MemSubset_struct *pNext; /* pointer to the next Flash or RAM memory subset
                                         - to be set to NULL for the last subset */
} STL_MemSubset_t; /* Type used to define Flash
                      or RAM subsets to test */
```

```
typedef struct
{
  STL_MemSubset_t *pSubset; /* Pointer to the Flash or RAM subsets to test */
  uint32_t NumSectionsAtomic; /* Number of Flash or RAM sections to be tested
                                 during an atomic test */
} STL_MemConfig_t; /* Type used to fully define Flash or RAM test configuration */
```

```
typedef struct
{
  STL_TmStatus_t aCpuTmStatus[STL_CPU_TM_MAX]; /* Array of forced status value
                                                  for CPU Test Modules */
  STL_TmStatus_t FlashTmStatus; /* Forced status value for Flash Test Module */
  STL_TmStatus_t RamTmStatus; /* Forced status value for RAM Test Module */
} STL_ArtifFailingConfig_t; /* Type used to force Test Modules status to a specific
                               value for each STL Test Module */
```

7.2 User APIs

The following APIs are declared in the file `stl_user_api.h`. It is forbidden to change the content of this file.

Caution: For pointers defined by the user application and used as *STL API* parameters, the user application must set valid pointers, maintain pointer availability, and check the pointer integrity. The *STL* does not copy the pointer content, and accesses directly to the memory addresses defined by the application.

This applies during the overall *STL* execution. For example, the pointers to access the content of structures that keep the configuration of the memory tests must be maintained. They are still used by the STL_SCH_run_xxx functions, even if they are not always part of the input parameter list when an *API* associated with these tests is called.

For more details about proper *API* sequence calls see Section 7.3 State machines and Section 7.6 Test examples.

7.2.1 Common API

The following sections present details on common *API*s.

7.2.1.1 *STL_SCH_Init*

Description: initializes the scheduler. It can be used at any time to reinitialize the scheduler (it resets all tests).

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_Init(void).`

Table 6. STL_SCH_Init input information

Allowed states	Parameters
CPU TMx: all Flash *TM*: all RAM *TM*: all	-

Table 7. STL_SCH_Init output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		Returned state
Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	CPU TMx: CPU_TMx_CONFIGURED Flash *TM*: FLASH_IDLE RAM *TM*: RAM_IDLE
STL_KO	Source of defensive programming error: • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change

Additional information: there is no specific *CPU* initialization function for *CPU* test modules.

Note: This function uses hardware CRC as explained in Section 4.3.3 CRC resources.

7.2.2 CPU Arm® core testing APIs

7.2.2.1 *STL_SCH_RunCpuTMx*

Description: runs one of the *CPU* test modules.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_RunCpuTMx(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)` where `TMx` can be one of TM1L, TM7 or TMCB.

Table 8. STL_SCH_RunCpuTMx input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
CPU_TMx_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 9. STL_SCH_RunCpuTMx output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_PASSED	-	CPU_TMx_CONFIGURED
		STL_FAILED	-	
		STL_ERROR	Source of defensive programming error: • *STL* internal data corrupted • Software is not executed with privileged level for *CPU* TM7 • Software is not executed in thread mode for *CPU* TM7	
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.3 Flash memory testing APIs

7.2.3.1 *STL_SCH_InitFlash*

Description: initializes flash memory test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_InitFlash(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 10. STL_SCH_InitFlash input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
FLASH_IDLE FLASH_INIT FLASH_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	Caution

Table 11. STL_SCH_InitFlash output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	FLASH_INIT
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.3.2 *STL_SCH_ConfigureFlash*

Description: configures the flash memory test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ConfigureFlash(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus, STL_MemConfig_t *pFlashConfig)`

Table 12. STL_SCH_ConfigureFlash input information

<table>
<tr><th rowspan="2">Allowed states</th><th colspan="4">Parameter</th></tr>
<tr><th>Value</th><th colspan="3">Comments</th></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="8">FLASH_INIT</td><td>*pSingleTmStatus</td><td colspan="3">See Caution</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="7">*pFlashConfig</td><td colspan="3">Pointer to the flash memory configuration. See Caution.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Field</td><td colspan="2">Comments</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="4">*pSubset</td><td colspan="2">• Pointer to flash memory subset. See Caution
• A section cannot overlap with the CRC area</td></tr>
<tr><td>Field</td><td>Comments</td></tr>
<tr><td>StartAddr</td><td>• Start subset address in bytes
• Cannot be lower than ROM_START and higher than CRC_START address</td></tr>
<tr><td>EndAddr</td><td>• End subset address in bytes
• Cannot be lower than ROM_START and higher than CRC_START address
• Needs to be higher than StartAddr</td></tr>
<tr><td>*pNext</td><td>• Pointer to next flash memory subset. See Caution
• Must be set to NULL for the last subset</td></tr>
<tr><td>NumSectionsAtomic</td><td colspan="2">• Number of flash memory sections to be tested during an atomic test
• Set to 1, as minimum (one section per test)
• If the value is higher than the number of sections in all subsets, all flash memory subsets are tested in one pass</td></tr>
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Table 13. **STL_SCH_ConfigureFlash output information**

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Wrong configuration detected • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • `pFlashConfig` = NULL • STL internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

Additional information: in the case of a return value set to STL_KO or `*pSingleTmStatus` set to STL_ERROR, the flash memory configuration is not applied.

7.2.3.3 *STL_SCH_RunFlashTM*

Description: runs flash memory test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_RunFlashTM(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 14. **STL_SCH_RunFlashTM input information**

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
FLASH_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 15. **STL_SCH_RunFlashTM output information**

STL_Status_t return value		*pSingleTmStatus output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_PASSED	-	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_PARTIAL_PASSED	-	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_FAILED	-	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_NOT_TESTED	All subsets are already tested	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Configuration corrupted • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.3.4 *STL_SCH_ResetFlash*

Description: resets flash memory test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ResetFlash(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 16. **STL_SCH_ResetFlash input information**

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
FLASH_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 17. **STL_SCH_ResetFlash output information**

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	Configuration successfully applied	FLASH_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Configuration corrupted • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

Additional information

- Once all subsets are tested, the user needs to reset the test module to perform the flash memory test again.
- In the case of a return value set to STL_KO or `*pSingleTmStatus` set to STL_ERROR, the flash memory reset is not applied.

7.2.3.5 *STL_SCH_DeInitFlash*

Description: deinitializes flash memory test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_DeInitFlash(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 18. STL_SCH_DeInitFlash input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
FLASH_IDLE FLASH_INIT FLASH_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 19. STL_SCH_DeInitFlash output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	FLASH_IDLE
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • STL internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.4 RAM testing APIs

7.2.4.1 *STL_SCH_InitRam*

Description: initializes the RAM test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_InitRam(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus).`

Table 20. STL_SCH_InitRam input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
RAM_IDLE RAM_INIT RAM_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 21. STL_SCH_InitRam output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus output`		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	RAM_INIT
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.4.2 *STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ConfigureRam*

Description: Description: configures the RAM test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ConfigureRam(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus, STL_MemConfig_t *pRamConfig)`

Table 22. STL_SCH_ConfigureRam input information

Allowed states	Parameter			
	Value	Comments		
RAM_INIT	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution		
	`*pRamConfig`	This pointer contains the RAM configuration. See Caution		
		Field	Comments	
		`*pSubset`	• Pointer to RAM subset. See Caution • A subset cannot overlap with the RAM backup buffer if defined	
			Field	Comments
			`StartAddr`	• Start subset address in bytes • Start address must be 32-bit aligned • RAM subset must be inside RAM area • Cannot be lower than RAM_START and higher than RAM_END address
			`EndAddr`	• End subset address in bytes • Higher than `StartAddr` • Cannot be lower than RAM_START and higher than RAM_END address • Subset size (`EndAddr`–`StartAddr`) needs to be multiple of 2 * RAM_BLOCK_SIZE, 32 bytes
			`*pNext`	• Pointer to next RAM subset. See Caution • Must be set to NULL for the last subset
		`NumSectionsAtomic`	• Number of RAM sections to be tested during an atomic test • Set to 1, as minimum (one section per test) • If the value is higher than the number of sections in all subsets, all RAM subsets are tested in one pass	

Table 23. **STL_SCH_ConfigureRam output information**

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Wrong configuration detected • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • `pRamConfig` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

Additional information: in the case of a return value set to STL_KO or `*pSingleTmStatus` set to STL_ERROR, the RAM configuration is not applied.

7.2.4.3 *STL_SCH_RunRamTM*

Description: runs the RAM test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_RunRamTM(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 24. **STL_SCH_RunRamTM input information**

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
RAM_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 25. **STL_SCH_RunRamTM output information**

STL_Status_t return value		*pSingleTmStatus output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_PASSED	-	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_PARTIAL_PASSED	-	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_FAILED	-	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_NOT_TESTED	All subsets are already tested	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Configuration corrupted • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.4.4 *STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ResetRam*

Description: resets the RAM test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_ResetRam(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 26. **STL_SCH_ResetRam input information**

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
RAM_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 27. **STL_SCH_ResetRam output information**

STL_Status_t return value		*pSingleTmStatus output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	Configuration successfully applied	RAM_CONFIGURED
		STL_ERROR	Possible source of defensive programming error: • State not allowed • Configuration corrupted • *STL* internal data corrupted	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

Additional information

- Once all subsets are tested, the user needs to reset the test module to perform the RAM test again.
- In the case of a return value set to STL_KO or `*pSingleTmStatus` set to STL_ERROR, the RAM reset is not applied.

7.2.4.5 *STL_SCH_DeInitRam*

Description: deinitializes the RAM test.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_DeInitRam(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)`

Table 28. STL_SCH_DeInitRam input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
RAM_IDLE RAM_INIT RAM_CONFIGURED	`*pSingleTmStatus`	See Caution

Table 29. STL_SCH_DeInitRam output information

`STL_Status_t` return value		`*pSingleTmStatus` output		Returned state
Value	Comments	Value	Comments	
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	STL_NOT_TESTED	-	RAM_IDLE
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • `pSingleTmStatus` = NULL • *STL* internal data corrupted	Not relevant	Value must not be used	No state change

7.2.5 Artificial-failing APIs

7.2.5.1 *STL_SCH_StartArtifFailing*

Description: sets artificial-failing configuration and starts artificial-failing feature.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_StartArtifFailing(const STL_ArtifFailingConfig_t *pArtifFailingConfig)`

Table 30. STL_SCH_StartArtifFailing input information

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
CPU TMx: • CPU_TMx_CONFIGURED Flash *TM*: • FLASH_IDLE • FLASH_INIT • FLASH_CONFIGURED RAM *TM* • RAM_IDLE • RAM_INIT • RAM_CONFIGURED	`*pArtifFailingConfig`	No state change

Table 31. **STL_SCH_StartArtifFailing output information**

STL_Status_t return value	Comments	Output	Comments
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	No output parameter	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • pArtifFailingConfig = NULL • configured values are not set for each test module • *STL* internal data corrupted		

Additional information: All the following *API* calls are executed normally except if the *STL_Status_t* return value is set to STL_OK, the test module status (*pSingleTmStatus, *pTmListStatus) is forced to a configured value.

7.2.5.2 *STL_SCH_StopArtifFailing*

Description: stops the artificial-failing feature.

Declaration: `STL_Status_t STL_SCH_StopArtifFailing(void)`

Table 32. **STL_SCH_StopArtifFailing input information**

Allowed states	Parameters	
	Value	Comments
CPU TMx: • CPU_TMx_CONFIGURED Flash *TM*: • FLASH_IDLE • FLASH_INIT • FLASH_CONFIGURED RAM *TM* • RAM_IDLE • RAM_INIT • RAM_CONFIGURED	No input parameter	No state change

Table 33. **STL_SCH_StopArtifFailing output information**

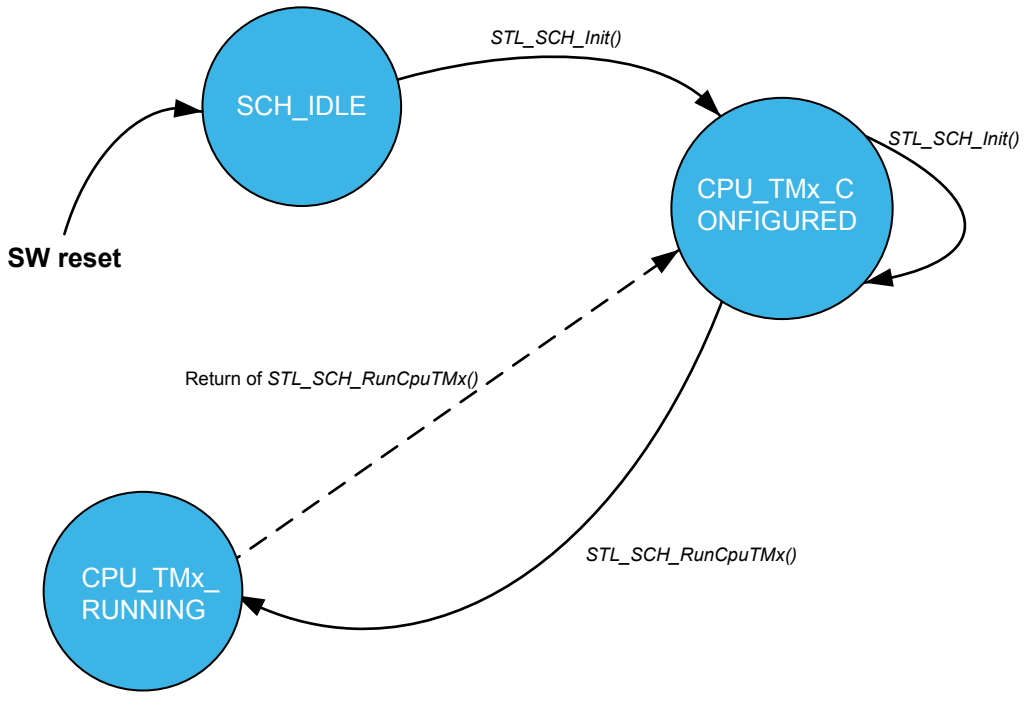
STL_Status_t return value	Comments	Output	Comments
STL_OK	Function successfully executed	No output parameter	No state change
STL_KO	Possible source of defensive programming error: • *STL* internal data corrupted		

7.3 State machines

Each *CPU* test module has its own state machine diagram linked to the *CPU* test *API*s.

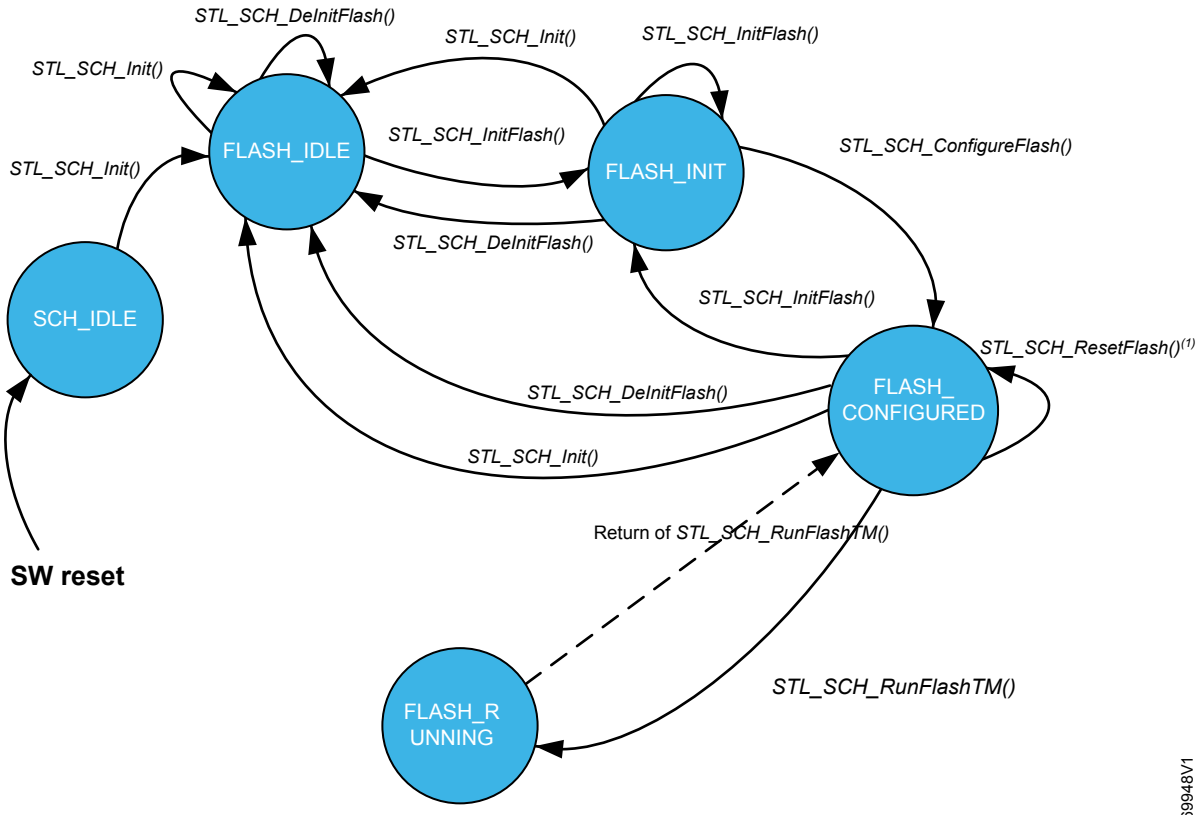
CPU test *API*s

Figure 11. State machine diagram - *CPU* test *API*s



Flash memory test *API*s

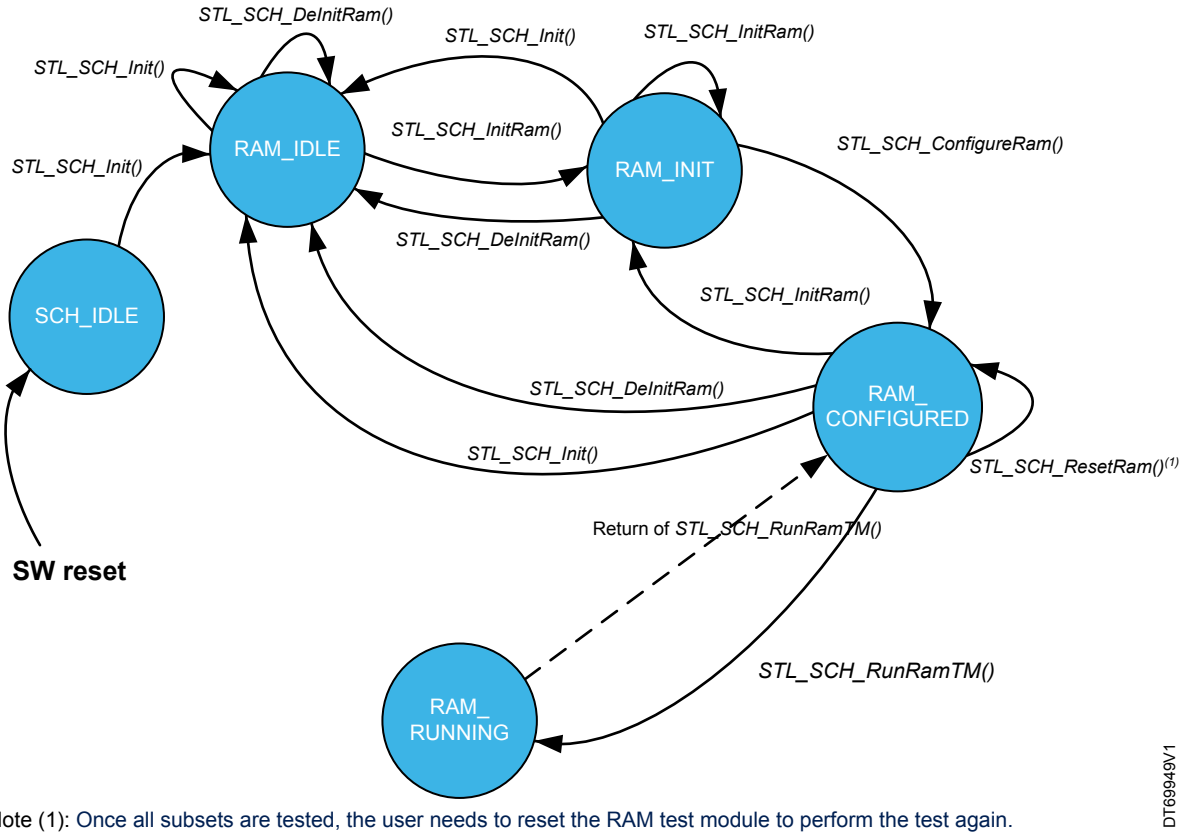
Figure 12. State machine diagram - flash memory test *API*s



Note (1): Once all subsets are tested, the user needs to reset the flash memory test module to perform the test again.

RAM test *APIs*

Figure 13. State machine diagram - RAM test *APIs*



Note (1): Once all subsets are tested, the user needs to reset the RAM test module to perform the test again.

7.4 API usage and sequencing

The user application must:

- Maintain the availability and integrity of pointers passed as parameters during the tests. The *STL* does not copy the pointer content, and accesses directly the memory addresses defined by the application.
- Check the status of function return value (`STL_Status_t`), before checking the test result (`STL_TmStatus_t` or `STL_TmListStatus_t`). See the example in the delivered applications.

The *APIs* run independently of each other and therefore can be called in any order.

Only *APIs* dedicated to the configuration and initialization of the memories tests must be called before any execution of these tests is applied. See Section 7.3 State machines for more details.

The test flow is simplified, all the tests are now executed from C-code. All the modules are common and suitable for both startup and runtime testing. Differentiation between startup and runtime tests can be performed by proper sequencing and configuration of test modules. After application reset, common practice is to perform a full initial sequence including the complete set of tests executed over all the memory areas before the application starts. This sequence is defined in following order:

1. All the CPU tests
2. Complete tests of nonvolatile memory integrity
3. Functional test overall for the available space of volatile memories including the area especially dedicated to the stack

Note: Temporarily suppressing of the memory content backup can be applied to speed up initial testing of huge RAM areas where user does not need to preserve the memory content during this test. For more details see Section 4.3.7 RAM backup buffer. Functional test is not executed over areas containing program code and data when the code is executed from RAM.

4. Specific customer tests

Later, at runtime, the order of the tests can be changed and executed in more relaxed way. The memory regions under tests can be reduced. The test process can even be dynamically modified with prior focus on those areas where the most recently executed safety related code and data are stored. This is especially the case when considering factors like:

- Available application process safety time
- System overall performance
- Concrete status of the application

7.5 User parameters

In addition to parameters set directly inside the *API*s, there are few parameters to be customized in the `stl_user_param_template.c` file. They are located in the code, with the following comments:

```
/* customisable */
```

Extract from `stl_user_param_template.c`:

```
/* Flash configuration */
#define STL_ROM_START (0x08000000U) /* customizable */
#define STL_ROM_END (0x0801FFFFU) /* customizable */
```

The customization depends upon the STM32 product and the user choice.

```
/* TM RAM Backup Buffer configuration */
…..
/* User shall locate the buffer in RAM */
/* The RAM backup buffer is placed in "backup_buffer_section". */
/* "backup_buffer_section" section is defined in scatter file */
```

The customizing depends on the user choice.

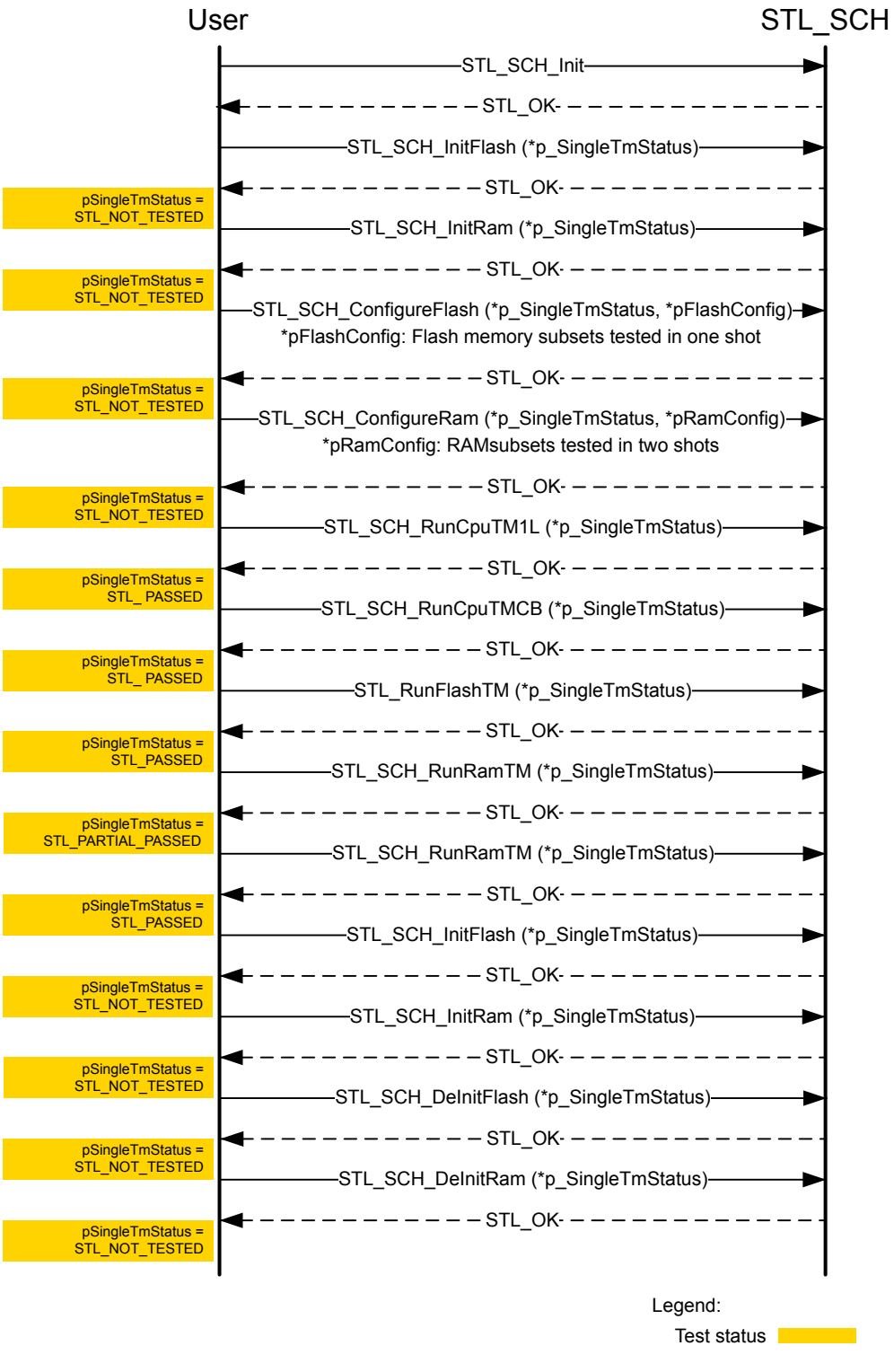
The remaining user parameters are defined by flags, and can be checked in the following files:

- `stl_user_param_template.c`: use of RAM backup buffer or not
- `stl_util.c`: use of software or hardware *CRC* computation
- `stl_stm32_hw_config.h`: if *CRC* hardware is used, choose the right *CRC* IP configuration according to the STM32 device

Refer to Section 5.5.2 Steps to build an application from scratch for the flag configuration check.

7.6 Test examples

Figure 14. **Test flow example**



7.7 Details of testing examples

7.7.1 Flash memory test flow example

Section 7.7.3 Test example figures shows an example of flash memory test flow handling:

- Use of two flash memory subsets
- Use of functions
  - STL_SCH_RunFlashTM → only the flash memory test module is executed
  - STL_SCH_ResetFlash
- Function return value
- Flash memory test module result value: `pSingleTmStatus` → in this case, it contains the result of the flash memory test

7.7.2 RAM test flow example

Figure 16 shows an example of RAM test flow handling:

- Use of two RAM subsets
- Use of functions:
  - STL_SCH_RunRAMTM → only the RAM test module is executed
  - STL_SCH_ResetRam
- Function return value
- RAM test module result value: `pSingleTmStatus` → in this case, it contains the result of the RAM memory test

7.7.3 Test example figures

Figure 15. **Flash memory test flow example**

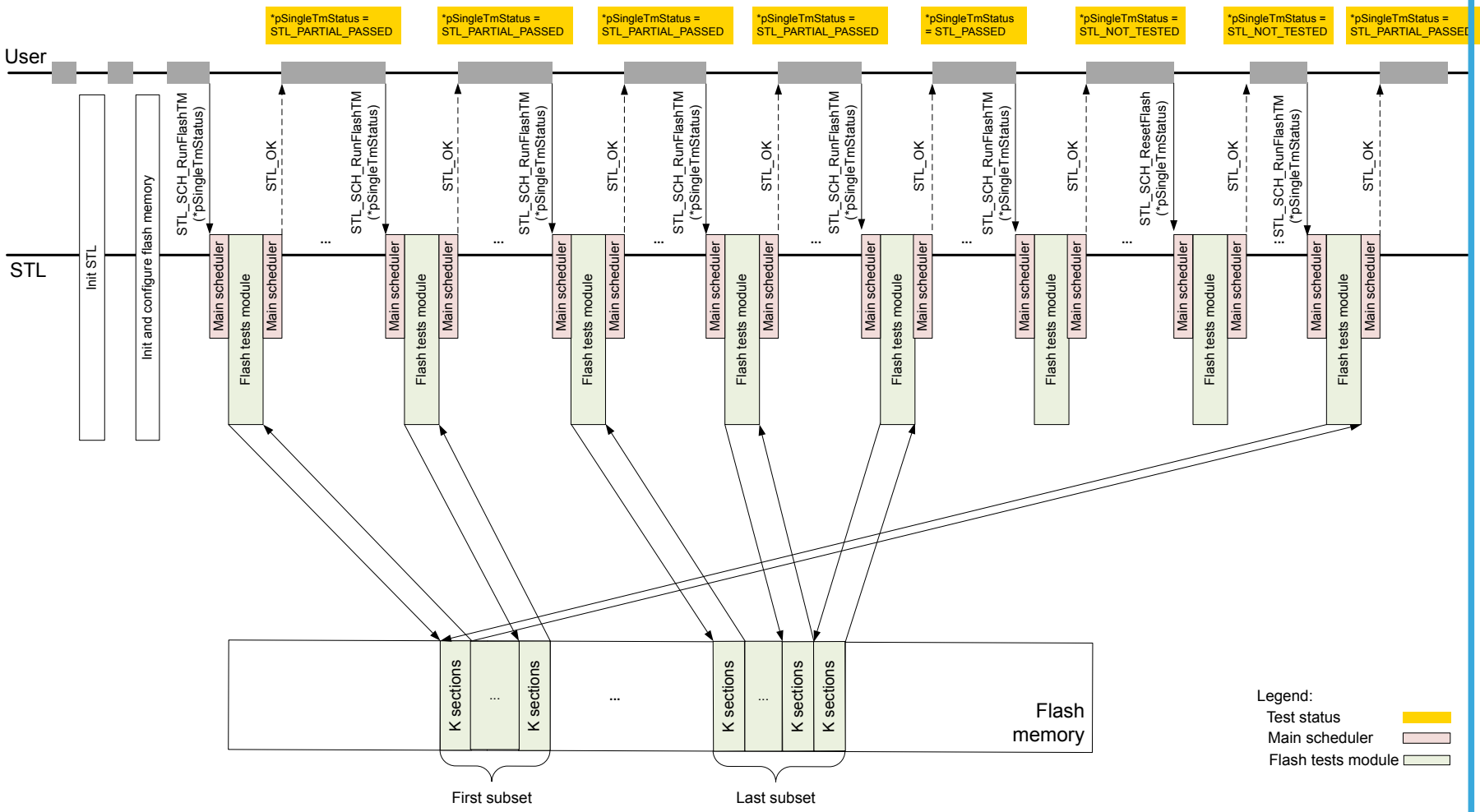
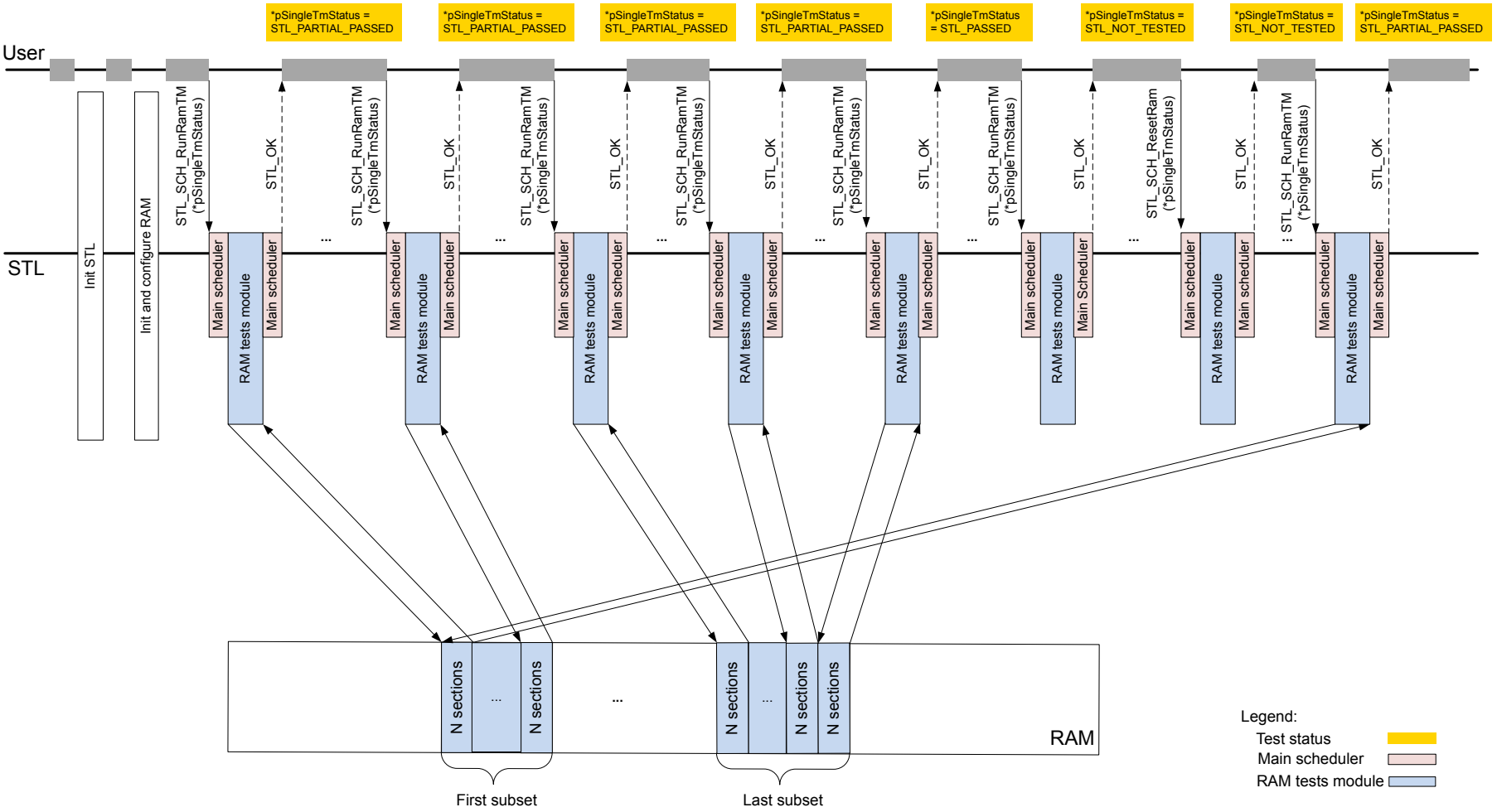


Figure 16. RAM test flow example



8 STL: execution timing details

The data in the following table is obtained with the test set-up described in Section 4.2 STL performance data

Table 34. Integration tests

Test	Duration (in µs)		Tested memory
	Hardware CRC	Software CRC	
STL_SCH_InitFlash	5	5	-
STL_SCH_ConfigureFlash	9	9	-
STL_SCH_RunFlashTM	536	3873	17408 bytes tested
STL_SCH_InitRam	5	5	-
STL_SCH_ConfigureRam	9	9	-
STL_SCH_RunRamTM	69578	69578	131039 bytes tested
STL_SCH_RunCpuTM1L	48	48	-
STL_SCH_RunCpuTM7	22	22	-
STL_SCH_RunCpuTMCB	8	8	-

9 Application-specific tests not included in ST firmware self-test library

The user must focus on all the remaining required tests covering application specific *MCU* parts not included in the ST firmware library:

- Test of analog parts (ADC/DAC, multiplexer)
- Test of digital I/O
- External addressing
- External communication
- Timing and interrupts
- System clock frequency measurement.

Note: The clock frequency measurement is not an integrated part of the STL package. The clock testing module is provided as open source within STL integration example to demonstrate the capability of implementing additional user defined testing modules which can be included at the STL flow. For more details refer to Section 9.5 Extension capabilities STL library.

A valid solution for these components is strongly dependent on application and device-peripheral capability. The application must follow as precisely as possible the suggested testing principles from the very early stages of its design.

Very often this method leads to redundancy at both hardware and software levels.

Hardware methods can be based on:

- Multiplication of inputs and/or outputs
- Reference point measurement
- Loop-back read control at analog or digital outputs such as *DAC*, *PWM*, *GPIO*
- Configuration protection.

Software methods can be based on:

- Repetition in time, multiple acquisitions, multiple checks, decisions, or calculations made at different times or performed by different methods
- Data redundancy (data copies, parity check, error correction/detection codes, checksum, protocol)
- Plausibility check (valid range, valid combination, expected change, or trend)
- Periodicity and occurrence checks (flow and occurrence in time controls)
- Periodic checks of correct configuration (for example, read back the configuration registers).

9.1 Analog signals

Measured values must be checked for consistency and verified by measurements performed on other redundant channels. Free channels can be used for reading some reference voltages with testing of analog multiplexers used in the application. The internal reference voltage must also be checked.

Some STM32 microcontroller devices feature two (or even three) independent *ADC* blocks. To ensure the reliability of the results, perform several conversions on the same channel using two different *ADC* blocks for security reasons. The results can be obtained using either:

- Multiple acquisitions from one channel
- Compare redundant channels followed by an averaging operation.

Here are some tips for testing the functionality of analog parts at STM32 microcontroller devices.

ADC input pin disconnection

The ADC input pin disconnection can be tested by applying additional signal source on the tested pin.

- Some STM32 microcontroller devices feature internal pull-down or pull-up resistor activation facilities on the analog input. They can also feature a free pin with *DAC* functionality or a digital *GPIO* output. Any one of these pins can be used as a known reference input to the ADC.
- Some STM32 microcontroller devices feature a routing interface. This interface can be used for internal connection between pins to make:
  - testing loop-back
  - additional signal injection
  - duplicate measurement at some other independent channel.

Note: The user must prevent any critical voltage injection into an analog pin. This can happen when digital and analog signals are combined and different power levels are applied to analog and digital parts ($V_{DD} > V_{DDA}$).

Internal reference voltage and temperature sensor (V_{BAT} for some devices)

- Ratio between these signals can be verified within the allowed ranges.
- Additional testing can be performed where the V_{DD} voltage is known.

ADC clock

Measurement of the *ADC* conversion time (by timers) can be used to test the independent *ADC* clock functionality.

DAC output functionality

Free *ADC* channels can be used to check if the *DAC* output channel is working correctly.

The routing interface can be used when connecting the *ADC* input channel and the *DAC* output channel.

Comparator functionality

Comparison between known voltage and *DAC* output or internal reference voltage can be used for testing comparator output on another comparator input.

Analog signal disconnection can be tested by pull-down or pull-up activation on a tested pin and comparing this signal with the *DAC* voltage as reference on another comparator input.

Operational amplifier

Functionality can be tested forcing (or measuring) a known analog signal to the operational amplifier (*OPAMP*) input pin, and internally measuring the output voltage with the *ADC*. The input signal to the *OPAMP* can be also measured by *ADC* (on another channel).

9.2 Digital I/Os

Class B tests must detect any malfunction on digital I/Os, too. It could be covered by plausibility checks together with some other application parts. For example, change of an analog signal from the temperature sensor must be checked when heating/cooling digital control is switched on/off. Selected port bits can be locked by applying the correct lock sequence to the lock bit in the GPIOx_LCKR register. This action prevents unexpected changes to the port configuration. Reconfiguration is only possible at the next reset sequence in this case. In addition, the bit banding feature can be used for atomic manipulation of the SRAM and peripheral registers.

9.3 Interrupts

Occurrence in time and periodicity of events must be checked. Different methods can be used; one of them uses a set of incremental counters where every interrupt event increments a specific counter. The values in the counters are then cross-checked periodically with other independent time bases. The number of events occurred within the last period depends upon the application requirements.

The configuration lock feature can be used to secure the timer register settings with three levels controlled by the TIMx_BDTR register. Unused interrupt vectors must be diverted into a common error handler. Polling is preferable for non-safety relevant tasks if possible to simplify an application interrupt scheme.

9.4 Communication

Data exchange during communication sessions must be checked while including redundant information in the data packets. Parity, sync signals, CRC check sums, block repetition, or protocol numbering can be used for this purpose. Robust application software protocol stacks like TCP/IP give higher level of protection, if necessary. Periodicity and occurrence in time of the communication events together with protocol error signals has to be checked permanently.

The user can find more information and methods in product-dedicated safety manuals.

9.5 Extension capabilities STL library

This framework version features a significantly easier and more flexible implementation than the previous versions of this *STL* library (see Section 1.2 Reference documents) which allows for an easier extension. Even with the new applied format, the framework keeps the same set of self-testing methods to comply with the IEC 60730 standard which are already implemented by previous versions of the library:

- Test of registers at *CPU TM*s
- 32-bit *CRC* calculation compatible with STM32 HW *CRC* unit at Flash *TM*
- March C test respecting physical address order of the RAM *TM*
- Timer triggered by LSI to check system clock frequency of the clock *TM* defined at *STL* integration example

The main improvements of the new framework version are:

- Module oriented
- Supports partial testing
- Based on configuration and parametrizing structures
- No differentiation between startup and runtime test modules
- *CRC* calculation support based on a format provided by the STM32CubeProgrammer command-line feature
- Pre-compiled and fixed object code format of key generic modules
- No dependency of the generic modules execution on drivers or compilers
- Error handling includes reporting of defensive programing results
- Artificial failure control feature to verify the proper integration of the modules with no need for additional instrumentation code
- Easy extension by additional application specific modules.

An example of an additional specific test module implementation is available in the firmware package integration example. A specific test module based on the cross check measurement method of two independent clock sources is delivered as open source format together with the firmware package integration example. This module must be adapted by the end user to take into account specific dependencies on the configuration of the applied clock system.

This module uses the same measurement principle already applied in previous versions of the library. The hardware used for the frequency comparison must initially be configured (Channel 1 of TIM16 triggered by LSI) to invoke clock measurement before the associated *API* is called. This hardware configuration is done at the end of `STL_Init()` procedure in the `main.c` file. The *API* is written to use interface compatibility with the regular *API*s integrated in the *STL* so the same format is applied in its declaration:

```
STL_Status_t STL_SCH_RunClockTest(STL_TmStatus_t *pSingleTmStatus)
```

The parameter that is passed during this function call acts as a pointer to the clock module measurement status, and the function itself provides a STL_KO vs STL_OK return status as well as do the regular *STL* modules if defensive programing fails. If the clock measurement hardware is active and the new period value updated by the last measurement cycle (set to 8 consecutive LSI periods) is found at the expected interval (defined by macros `CLK_LimitLow` and `CLK_LimitHigh`), the module measurement status value is changed into STL_PASSED. If not it is set to STL_FAILED as per the regular *API* modules. This is also the case when artificial failing of the module is invoked.

In a similar way, the user can integrate the following modules. For example, any stack hardening techniques like stack boundary area check or implementing watchdog testing and servicing is no longer included at this new package by default. The source code of these tests is available in older versions of this library see [2]. Refer to [1] for additional information about the commonly recognized safety methods that are not specifically required by the household standard. They may be useful to improve the user application robustness.

10 Compliance with IEC, UL, and CSA standards

The pivotal IEC standards are IEC 60730-1 and IEC 60335-1, harmonized with UL/CSA 60730-1 and UL/CSA 60335-1 starting from the 4th edition. Previous UL/CSA editions use references to the UL1998 standard in addition.

The standards are updated at regular intervals. The range of all the regulations collected in the standards is very large; the sections that concern the requirements for software self-tests of generic parts of microcontrollers is very specific. In most cases, the provided updates do not impact these specific parts of the standard at all. Therefore, an obsolete certification can still comply and stay valid for newer editions of the standard.

The relevant detailed conditions required are defined in:

- Annexes Q and R of the IEC 60335-1 norm
- Annex H of the IEC 60730-1 norm.

Three classes are defined by the IEC 60730-1:2010 H.2.22 they are:

- Class A: control functions that are not intended to be relied upon for the safety of the application.
- Class B: control functions that are intended to prevent an unsafe state of the controlled equipment. Failure of the control function does not directly lead to a hazardous situation.
- Class C: control functions that are intended to prevent special hazards such as explosion or which failure could directly cause a hazard in the appliance.

For a programmable electronic component applying a safety protection function, the IEC 60335-1 standard requires incorporation of software measures to control fault and error conditions specified in tables R.1 and R.2:

- Table R.1 summarizes general conditions comparable with requirements given for Class B level
- Table R.2 summarizes specific conditions comparable with requirements given for Class C level.

Requirements for Class B level software, which is the subject of this user manual, are defined to prevent hazards if another fault occurs elsewhere in the appliance. In this case, the self-test software is run on the appliance after a failure. An accidental software fault occurring during a safety-critical routine execution does not necessarily result in a hazard due to another applied redundant software procedure or hardware protection function required at this level.

There is no such hardware protection required in Class C level counting that whatever fault at safety-critical software can result in a potential hazard. To comply with this level, more robust testing is required than the one usually applicable to standard industrial microcontrollers like the STM32. An acceptable solution usually leads to the implementation of specific hardware redundancy at system level, like dual channel structures.

For more information on more stringent test methods, refer to the industrial documentation [1].

IEC 60730-1 defines the set of applicable architectures acceptable for the design of Class B control functions:

- Single channel with functional test. A single CPU executes the software control functions as required. A functional test is performed as the software starts. It guarantees that all critical features work properly.
- Single channel with periodic self-test. A single CPU executes the software control functions. Embedded periodic tests check the various critical functions of the system without impacting the performance of the planned control tasks.
- Dual channel (homogeneous or diverse) with comparison. The software is designed to execute control functions (identically or differently) on two independent CPUs. Both CPUs compare internal signals for fault detection when executing any safety-critical task.

Note: This structure is recognized to comply with Class C level also. A common principle is that whatever method complies with Class C automatically complies with Class B.

An overview of the methods applied by *STL* and their references to the standards are listed on the table below. The *STL* is focused on generic components of the microcontroller reused at all applications. The test of the other parts is under the end-user responsibility as their testing is mostly application specific and can be achieved effectively at the planning stage of the system design. Refer to Section 9 Application-specific tests not included in ST firmware self-test library for more information on how to handle these application-specific tests.

Table 35. IEC 60335-1 components covered by the X-CUBE-CLASSB library by methods recognized by IEC-60730-1

Component of Table R.1 (IEC 60335-1: Annex R)		Class B	References to IEC 60730-1: Annex H)	Fault/error	Safety method applied at X-CUBE-CLASSB	Note
1. CPU	1.1 CPU registers	X	H.2.16.5 H.2.16.6 H.2.19.6	Stuck at	Periodic run of the *STL* TM1L, TM7, and TMCB CPU test modules	Functional pattern test of the *CPU* registers,(general-purpose R0-R12, special-purpose main and process stack pointers R13, program status APSR and CONTROL registers)(1)
	1.2 Instruction decoding and execution	N/A				Not required for Class B
	1.3 Program counter	X	H.2.18.10.2 H.2.18.10.4	Stuck at	N/A End-user responsibility	Logical and time slot program sequence monitoring, implementation of watchdogs
	1.4 Addressing	N/A				Not required for Class B
	1.5 Data path instruction decoding	N/A				Not required for Class B
2. Interrupt handling and execution		X	H.2.18.10.4 H2.18.18	No interrupt or too frequent interrupts	Handshake of results is applied at the interrupt associated with a clock cross-check measurement module	End-user responsibility for the other interrupts implemented at application
3. Clock		X	H.2.18.10.1 H.2.18.10.4	Wrong frequency	Periodic run of clock cross-check module. Added at open source format as a user specific test module within the firmware integration example	Clock cross-check measurement done between two independent clock sources (system clock and LSI)
4. Memory	4.1 Invariable memory	X	H.2.19.3.1 H.2.19.3.2 H.2.19.8.2	All single bit faults	Periodic execution of the *STL* FlashTM test module	ECC enable under end-user responsibility(2)
	4.2. Variable memory	X	H.2.19.6 H.2.19.8.2	DC fault	Periodic execution of the *STL* RamTM test module	ECC or parity enable under end-user responsibility(2)
	4.3 Addressing (relevant for variable and invariable memory)	X	H.2.19.8.2	Stuck at	-	Tested indirectly by execution of the applied memory test modules ECC enable under end-user responsibility(2)
5. Internal data path	5.1 Data	X	H.2.19.8.2	Stuck at	-	
	5.2 Addressing	X	H.2.19.8.2	Wrong address	-	
6. External communication		X	-	-	N/A End-user responsibility	-
7. I/O periphery		X	-	-	N/A End-user responsibility	-
8. Monitoring devices and comparators		N/A				Not required for Class B
9. Custom chips		X	-	-	N/A	-

1. *CPU registers L14 and L15 are tested indirectly via defensive programming methods.*
2. *For availability and functionality of concrete embedded hardware safety feature, refer to the product user and safety manual.*

Revision history

Table 36. **Document revision history**

Date	Version	Changes
01-Aug-2023	1	Initial release.

Glossary

ADC analog to digital converter

AEABI Arm® embedded application binary interface

API application programing interface

APSR CPU status register

BSP board support package

Class B
middle level of regulations targeting safety for home appliances (UL/CSA/IEC 60730-1/60335-1)

CMSIS common microcontroller software interface standard

CPU central processing unit

CRC cyclic redundancy check

DAC digital to analog conveter

DCache data cache

FPU floating-point unit

GPIO general purpose input output

HAL hardware abstraction level

ICache instruction cache

IDE integrated development environment

LL low layer

MCU microcontroller unit

MPU memory protection unit

MSP main stack pointer

OPAMP operational amplifier

PSP process stack pointer

PWM pulse width modulation

RAM random access memory

SDK software development kit

STL self-test library

TM test module

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