

SAM4S Xplained Pro

USER GUIDE

Preface

The Atmel[®] SAM4S Xplained Pro evaluation kit is a hardware platform to evaluate the SAM4SD32C microcontroller.

Supported by the Atmel Studio integrated development platform, the kit provides easy access to the features of the Atmel SAM4SD32C and explains how to integrate the device in a custom design.

The Xplained Pro MCU series evaluation kits include an on-board Embedded Debugger, and no external tools are necessary to program or debug the SAM4SD32C.

The Xplained Pro extension series evaluation kits offers additional peripherals to extend the features of the board and ease the development of custom designs.

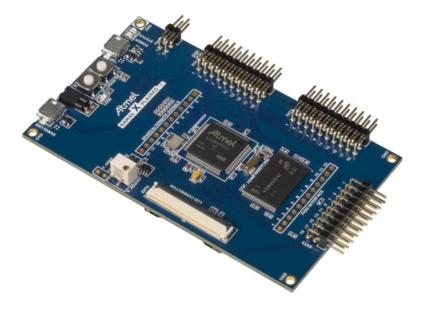


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1. Introduction

1.1. Features

- Atmel ATSAM4SD32C microcontroller
- Embedded debugger (EDBG)
 - USB interface
 - Programming and debugging (target) through Serial Wire Debug (SWD)
 - Virtual COM-port interface to target via UART
 - Atmel Data Gateway Interface (DGI) to target via synchronous SPI or TWI
 - Four GPIOs connected to target for code instrumentation
- Digital I/O
 - Two mechanical buttons (user and reset button)
 - One user LED
 - Three extension headers
- · LCD display header
- USB interface for host and device function (target)
- 2Gb NAND Flash for non-volatile storage
- SD card connector
- Adjustable analog reference
- Three possible power sources
 - External power
 - Embedded debugger USB
 - Target USB
- 12MHz crystal
- 32kHz crystal

1.2. Kit Overview

The Atmel SAM4S Xplained Pro evaluation kit is a hardware platform to evaluate the Atmel ATSAM4SD32C.

The kit offers a set of features that enables the ATSAM4SD32C user to get started using the ATSAM4SD32C peripherals right away and to get an understanding of how to integrate the device in their own design.



CURRENT MEASUREMENT SW0 USER BUTTON **HEADER RESET BUTTON** TARGET USB **DEBUG USB** USER LED0 **POWER HEADER** Atmel SAM4S X PLAINED **AREF MEASUREMENT** SPARE **AREF SIGNALS ADJUSTMENT** 12MHz **EXTENSION 1 CRYSTAL HEADER** SAM4SD32C LCD CONNECTOR (EXT4) SD Card 32kHz CONNECTOR CRYSTAL (bottom side) **EXTENSION 2** NAND FLASH **HEADER** PIOD INTERFACE **EXTENSION 3 HEADER**

Figure 1-1 SAM4S Xplained Pro Evaluation Kit Overview



2. Getting Started

2.1. Xplained Pro Quick Start

Three steps to start exploring the Atmel Xplained Pro platform:

- Download Atmel Studio.
- 2. Launch Atmel Studio.
- 3. Connect a USB cable (Standard-A to Micro-B or Micro-AB) between the PC and the DEBUG USB port on the kit.
- 4. Connect SAM4S Xplained Pro to a Xplained Pro MCU board and connect a USB cable to DEBUG USB port on the Xplained Pro MCU board.

When the Atmel SAM4S Xplained Pro is connected to your computer for the first time, the operating system will do a driver software installation. The driver file supports both 32-bit and 64-bit versions of Microsoft® Windows® XP, Windows Vista®, Windows 7, and Windows 8.

Once the Xplained Pro MCU board is powered the green power LED will be lit and Atmel Studio will auto detect which Xplained Pro MCU- and extension board(s) are connected. Atmel Studio will present relevant information like datasheets and kit documentation. The kit landing page in Atmel Studio also has the option to launch Atmel Software Framework (ASF) example applications for the kit. The SAM4S device is programmed and debugged by the on-board Embedded Debugger and therefore no external programmer or debugger tool is needed.

2.2. Design Documentation and Relevant Links

The following list contains links to the most relevant documents and software for SAM4S Xplained Pro:

- Xplained Pro products Atmel Xplained Pro is a series of small-sized and easy-to-use evaluation kits for Atmel microcontrollers and other Atmel products. It consists of a series of low cost MCU boards for evaluation and demonstration of features and capabilities of different MCU families.
- Atmel Studio Free Atmel IDE for development of C/C++ and assembler code for Atmel microcontrollers.
- Atmel sample store Atmel sample store where you can order samples of devices.
- EDBG User Guide User guide containing more information about the on-board Embedded Debugger.
- IAR Embedded Workbench® for ARM This is a commercial C/C++ compiler that is available for ARM. There is a 30 day evaluation version as well as a code size limited kick-start version available from their website. The code size limit is 16KB for devices with M0, M0+, and M1 cores and 32KB for devices with other cores.
- Atmel Data Visualizer Atmel Data Visualizer is a program used for processing and visualizing data. Data Visualizer can receive data from various sources such as the Embedded Debugger Data Gateway Interface found on Xplained Pro boards, and COM ports.
- Design Documentation Package containing CAD source, schematics, BOM, assembly drawings,
 3D plots, layer plots etc.
- Hardware Users Guide in PDF format PDF version of this User Guide.
- SAM4S Xplained Pro in the Atmel store Atmel Store link.



3. Xplained Pro

Xplained Pro is an evaluation platform that provides the full Atmel microcontroller experience. The platform consists of a series of Microcontroller (MCU) boards and extension boards that are integrated with Atmel Studio, have Atmel Software Framework (ASF) drivers and demo code, support data streaming, and more. Xplained Pro MCU boards support a wide range of Xplained Pro extension boards that are connected through a set of standardized headers and connectors. Each extension board has an identification (ID) chip to uniquely identify which boards are connected to an Xplained Pro MCU board. This information is used to present relevant user guides, application notes, datasheets, and example code through Atmel Studio.

3.1. Embedded Debugger

The SAM4S Xplained Pro contains the Atmel Embedded Debugger (EDBG) for on-board debugging. The EDBG is a composite USB device of three interfaces; a debugger, Virtual COM Port, and a Data Gateway Interface (DGI).

Together with Atmel Studio, the EDBG debugger interface can program and debug the SAM4SD32C. On SAM4S Xplained Pro, the SWD interface is connected between the EDBG and the SAM4SD32C.

The Virtual COM Port is connected to a UART on the SAM4SD32C and provides an easy way to communicate with the target application through terminal software. It offers variable baud rate, parity, and stop bit settings. Note that the settings on the SAM4SD32C must match the settings given in the terminal software.

The DGI consists of several physical interfaces for communication with the host computer. Communication over the interfaces are bidirectional. It can be used to send events and values from the SAM4SD32C or as a generic printf-style data channel. Traffic over the interfaces can be timestamped on the EDBG for more accurate tracing of events. Note that timestamping imposes an overhead that reduces maximal throughput. Atmel Data Visualizer is used to send and receive data through DGI.

The EDBG controls two LEDs on SAM4S Xplained Pro; a power LED and a status LED. Table 3-1 EDBG LED Control on page 6 shows how the LEDs are controlled in different operation modes.

Table 3-1 EDBG LED Control

| Operation Mode | Power LED | Status LED |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| Normal operation | Power LED is lit when power is applied to the board. | Activity indicator, LED flashes when any communication happens to the EDBG. |
| Bootloader mode (idle) | The power LED and the status LED blinks simultaneously. | |
| Bootloader mode (firmware upgrade) | The power LED and the status LE | D blinks in an alternating pattern. |

For further documentation on the EDBG, see the EDBG User Guide.

3.2. Hardware Identification System

All Xplained Pro compatible extension boards have an Atmel ATSHA204 CryptoAuthentication[™] chip mounted. This chip contains information that identifies the extension with its name and some extra data. When an Xplained Pro extension is connected to an Xplained Pro MCU board the information is read and



sent to Atmel Studio. The Atmel Kits extension, installed with Atmel Studio, will give relevant information, code examples, and links to relevant documents. Table 3-2 Xplained Pro ID Chip Content on page 7 shows the data fields stored in the ID chip with example content.

Table 3-2 Xplained Pro ID Chip Content

| Data field | Data type | Example content |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Manufacturer | ASCII string | Atmel'\0' |
| Product Name | ASCII string | Segment LCD1 Xplained Pro'\0' |
| Product Revision | ASCII string | 02'\0' |
| Product Serial Number | ASCII string | 177402020000010'\0' |
| Minimum Voltage [mV] | uint16_t | 3000 |
| Maximum Voltage [mV] | uint16_t | 3600 |
| Maximum Current [mA] | uint16_t | 30 |

3.3. Power Sources

The SAM4S Xplained Pro kit can be powered by several power sources listed in Table 3-3 Power Sources for SAM4S Xplained Pro on page 7.

Table 3-3 Power Sources for SAM4S Xplained Pro

| Power input | Voltage requirements | Current requirements | Connector marking |
|--------------------------|---|---|-------------------|
| External power | 5V ± 2% (± 100mV) for USB host operation. 4.3V to 5.5V if USB host operation is not required. | Recommended minimum is 1A to be able to provide enough current for connected USB devices and the board itself. Recommended maximum is 2A due to the input protection maximum current specification. | PWR |
| Embedded debugger USB | 4.4V to 5.25V (according to USB spec) | 500mA (according to USB spec) | DEBUG USB |
| Target USB | 4.4V to 5.25V (according to USB spec) | 500mA (according to USB spec) | TARGET USB |

The kit will automatically detect which power sources are available and choose which one to use according to the following priority:

- 1. External power.
- 2. Embedded Debugger USB.
- 3. Target USB.





Info: External power is required when 500mA from a USB connector is not enough to power a connected USB device in a USB host application.

3.4. Xplained Pro Standard Headers and Connectors

3.4.1. Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header

All Xplained Pro kits have one or more dual row, 20-pin, 100mil extension header. Xplained Pro MCU boards have male headers, while Xplained Pro extensions have their female counterparts. Note that all pins are not always connected. All connected pins follow the defined pin-out description in Table 3-4 Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header on page 8.

The extension headers can be used to connect a variety of Xplained Pro extensions to Xplained Pro MCU boards or to access the pins of the target MCU on Xplained Pro MCU boards directly.

Table 3-4 Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header

| Pin number | Name | Description | |
|------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 1 | ID | Communication line to the ID chip on an extension board. | |
| 2 | GND | Ground. | |
| 3 | ADC(+) | Analog to digital converter, alternatively positive part of differential ADC. | |
| 4 | ADC(-) | Analog to digital converter, alternatively negative part of differential ADC. | |
| 5 | GPIO1 | General purpose I/O. | |
| 6 | GPIO2 | General purpose I/O. | |
| 7 | PWM(+) | Pulse width modulation, alternatively positive part of differential PWM. | |
| 8 | PWM(-) | Pulse width modulation, alternatively negative part of differential PWM. | |
| 9 | IRQ/GPIO | Interrupt request line and/or general purpose I/O. | |
| 10 | SPI_SS_B/ GPIO | Slave select for SPI and/or general purpose I/O. | |
| 11 | I ² C_SDA | Data line for I ² C interface. Always implemented, bus type. | |
| 12 | I ² C_SCL | Clock line for I ² C interface. Always implemented, bus type. | |
| 13 | UART_RX | Receiver line of target device UART | |
| 14 | UART_TX | Transmitter line of target device UART | |
| 15 | SPI_SS_A | Slave select for SPI. Should preferably be unique. | |
| 16 | SPI_MOSI | Master out slave in line of serial peripheral interface. Always implemented, bus type. | |



| Pin number | Name | Description |
|------------|----------|--|
| 17 | SPI_MISO | Master in slave out line of serial peripheral interface. Always implemented, bus type. |
| 18 | SPI_SCK | Clock for serial peripheral interface. Always implemented, bus type. |
| 19 | GND | Ground. |
| 20 | VCC | Power for extension board. |

3.4.2. Xplained Pro LCD Extension Connector

The LCD connector provides the ability to connect to display extensions that have a parallel interface. The connector implements signals for a MCU parallel bus interface and a LCD controller interface as well as signals for a touch controller. The connector pin-out definition is shown in Table 3-5 Xplained Pro LCD Connector on page 9. Note that usually only one display interface is implemented, either LCD controller or the MCU bus interface.

A FPC/FFC connector with 50 pins and 0.5mm pitch is used for the LCD connector. The connector XF2M-5015-1A from Omron is used on several Xplained Pro designs and can be used as a reference.

Table 3-5 Xplained Pro LCD Connector

| Pin number | Name | RGB interface description | MCU interface description |
|------------|------|---|---------------------------|
| 1 | ID | Communication line to the ID chip on an extension board | |
| 2 | GND | Ground | |
| 3 | D0 | Data line | |
| 4 | D1 | Data line | |
| 5 | D2 | Data line | |
| 6 | D3 | Data line | |
| 7 | GND | Ground | |
| 8 | D4 | Data line | |
| 9 | D5 | Data line | |
| 10 | D6 | Data line | |
| 11 | D7 | Data line | |
| 12 | GND | Ground | |
| 13 | D8 | Data line | |
| 14 | D9 | Data line | |
| 15 | D10 | Data line | |
| 16 | D11 | Data line | |
| 17 | GND | Ground | |
| 18 | D12 | Data line | |
| 19 | D13 | Data line | |



| Pin number | Name | RGB interface description | MCU interface description | |
|------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| 20 | D14 | Data line | | |
| 21 | D15 | Data line | | |
| 22 | GND | Ground | | |
| 23 | D16 | Data line | | |
| 24 | D17 | Data line | | |
| 25 | D18 | Data line | | |
| 26 | D19 | Data line | | |
| 27 | GND | Ground | | |
| 28 | D20 | Data line | | |
| 29 | D21 | Data line | | |
| 30 | D22 | Data line | | |
| 31 | D23 | Data line | | |
| 32 | GND | Ground | | |
| 33 | PCLK / CMD DATA SEL | Pixel clock | Display RAM select. One address line of the MCU for displays where it is possible to select either register or data interface. | |
| 34 | VSYNC / CS | Vertical Synchronization | Chip select | |
| 35 | HSYNC / WE | Horizontal Synchronization | Write enable signal | |
| 36 | DATA ENABLE / RE | Data enable signal | Read enable signal | |
| 37 | SPI SCK | Clock for serial peripheral interface |) | |
| 38 | SPI MOSI | Master out slave in of serial periph | eral interface | |
| 39 | SPI MISO | Master in slave out of serial periph | eral interface | |
| 40 | SPI SS | Slave select for serial peripheral in pin. | terface. Preferably a dedicated | |
| 41 | ENABLE | Display enable | | |
| 42 | I2C SDA | I2C data | | |
| 43 | I2C SCL | I2C clock | | |
| 44 | IRQ1 | Interrupt 1 | | |
| 45 | IRQ2 | Interrupt 2 | | |
| 46 | PWM | Backlight control | | |
| 47 | RESET | Extension reset | | |
| 48 | VCC | 3.3V power supply for extension be | pard | |



| Pin | n number | Name | RGB interface description | MCU interface description |
|-----|----------|------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 49 | | VCC | 3.3V power supply for extension bo | pard |
| 50 | | GND | Ground | |

3.4.3. Xplained Pro Power Header

The power header can be used to connect external power to the SAM4S Xplained Pro kit. The kit will automatically detect and switch to any external power if supplied. The power header can also be used as supply for external peripherals or extension boards. Care must be taken not to exceed the total current limitation of the on-board regulator when using the 3.3V pin.

Table 3-6 Xplained Pro Power Header

| Pin number | Pin name | Description | |
|------------|-----------|--|--|
| 1 | VEXT_P5V0 | External 5V input | |
| 2 | GND | Ground | |
| 3 | VCC_P5V0 | Unregulated 5V (output, derived from one of hte input sources) | |
| 4 | VCC_P3V3 | Regulated 3.3V (output, used as main power supply for the kit) | |



4. Hardware Users Guide

4.1. Connectors

This chapter describes the implementation of the relevant connectors and headers on SAM4S Xplained Pro and their connection to the SAM4SD32C. The tables of connections in this chapter also describes which signals are shared between the headers and on-board functionality.

4.1.1. Xplained Pro Extension Headers

The SAM4S Xplained Pro headers EXT1, EXT2, and EXT3 offers access to the I/O of the microcontroller in order to expand the board e.g. by connecting extensions to the board. These headers all comply with the standard extension header specified in Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header on page 8. All headers have a pitch of 2.54mm.

Table 4-1 Extension Header EXT1

| Pin on EXT1 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| 1 | - | - | Communication line to ID chip on extension board. |
| 2 | - | - | GND |
| 3 | PA17 | AD[0] | |
| 4 | PA18 | AD[1] | |
| 5 | PA24 | GPIO | PIOD Interface Header |
| 6 | PA25 | GPIO | PIOD Interface Header |
| 7 | PA23 | PWMH0 | PIOD Interface Header |
| 8 | PA19 | PWML0 | |
| 9 | PA1 | WKUP1/GPIO | |
| 10 | PA6 | GPIO | DGI_GPIO0 on EDBG |
| 11 | PA3 | TWD0 | EXT2 and EDBG |
| 12 | PA4 | TWCK0 | EXT2 and EDBG |
| 13 | PA21 | USART1/RXD1 | EXT2 |
| 14 | PA22 | USART1/TXD1 | EXT2 |
| 15 | PA11 | SPI/NPCS[0] | |
| 16 | PA13 | SPI/MOSI | EXT2, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 17 | PA12 | SPI/MISO | EXT2, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 18 | PA14 | SPI/SPCK | EXT2, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |



| Pin on EXT1 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| 19 | - | - | GND |
| 20 | - | - | VCC |

Table 4-2 Extension Header EXT2

| Pin on EXT2 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| 1 | - | - | Communication line to ID chip on extension board. |
| 2 | - | - | GND |
| 3 | PB0 | AD[4] | |
| 4 | PB1 | AD[5] | |
| 5 | PC24 | GPIO | DGI_GPIO2 on EDBG |
| 6 | PC25 | GPIO | DGI_GPIO3 on EDBG |
| 7 | PC19 | PWMH1 | |
| 8 | PA20 | PWML1 | |
| 9 | PC26 | GPIO | |
| 10 | PC27 | GPIO | |
| 11 | PA3 | TWD0 | EXT1 and EDBG |
| 12 | PA4 | TWCK0 | EXT1 and EDBG |
| 13 | PA21 | USART1/RXD1 | EXT1 |
| 14 | PA22 | USART1/TXD1 | EXT1 |
| 15 | PA9 | SPI/NPCS[1] | LCD connector (EXT4) |
| 16 | PA13 | SPI/MOSI | EXT1, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 17 | PA12 | SPI/MISO | EXT1, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 18 | PA14 | SPI/SPCK | EXT1, EXT3, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 19 | - | - | GND |
| 20 | - | - | VCC |

Table 4-3 Extension Header EXT3

| Pin on EXT3 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|----------|---|
| 1 | - | - | Communication line to ID chip on extension board. |
| 2 | - | - | GND |



| Pin on EXT3 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| 3 | PC29 | AD[13] | |
| 4 | PC30 | AD[14] | |
| 5 | PC21 | GPIO | |
| 6 | PC22 | GPIO | DGI_GPIO1 on EDBG |
| 7 | PC20 | PWMH2 | |
| 8 | PA16 | PWML2 | PIOD Header |
| 9 | PA0 | WKUP0/GPIO | LCD connector (EXT4) |
| 10 | PC31 | GPIO | |
| 11 | PB4 | TWD1 | LCD connector (EXT4) |
| 12 | PB5 | TWCK1 | LCD connector (EXT4) |
| 13 | PB2 | USART1/RXD1 | CDC UART |
| 14 | PB3 | USART1/TXD1 | CDC UART |
| 15 | PA10 | SPI/NPCS[2] | LCD connector (EXT4) |
| 16 | PA13 | SPI/MOSI | EXT1, EXT2, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 17 | PA12 | SPI/MISO | EXT1, EXT2, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 18 | PA14 | SPI/SPCK | EXT1, EXT2, LCD connector (EXT4) and EDBG |
| 19 | - | - | GND |
| 20 | - | - | VCC |

4.1.2. LCD Extension Connector

Extension connector EXT4 is a special connector for LCD displays. The physical connector is an Omron Electronics XF2M-5015-1A FPC connector.

Table 4-4 LCD Connector EXT4

| Pin on EXT4 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|----------|---|
| 1 | - | - | Communication line to ID chip on extension board. |
| 2 | - | - | GND |
| 3 | PC0 | D0 | NAND Flash |
| 4 | PC1 | D1 | NAND Flash |
| 5 | PC2 | D2 | NAND Flash |
| 6 | PC3 | D3 | NAND Flash |
| 7 | - | - | GND |



| Pin on EXT4 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| 8 | PC4 | D4 | NAND Flash |
| 9 | PC5 | D5 | NAND Flash |
| 10 | PC6 | D6 | NAND Flash |
| 11 | PC7 | D7 | NAND Flash |
| 12 | - | - | GND |
| 13 | - | - | |
| 14 | - | - | |
| 15 | - | - | |
| 16 | - | - | |
| 17 | - | - | GND |
| 18 | - | - | |
| 19 | - | - | |
| 20 | - | - | |
| 21 | - | - | |
| 22 | - | - | GND |
| 23 | - | - | |
| 24 | - | - | |
| 25 | - | - | |
| 26 | - | - | |
| 27 | - | - | GND |
| 28 | - | - | |
| 29 | - | - | |
| 30 | - | - | |
| 31 | - | - | |
| 32 | - | - | GND |
| 33 | PC18 | A0 | |
| 34 | PC15 | NPCS[1] | |
| 35 | PC8 | NWE | |
| 36 | PC11 | NRD | |
| 37 | | | |
| 38 | | | |
| 39 | | | |
| 40 | | | |



| Pin on EXT4 | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 41 | PB14 | GPIO | |
| 42 | PB4 | TWD1/SDA | EXT3 |
| 43 | PB5 | TWCK1/SCL | EXT3 |
| 44 | PA0 | WKUP0 | EXT3 |
| 45 | - | - | |
| 46 | PA15 | PWML3 | PIOD Interface header |
| 47 | PC28 | GPIO | |
| 48 | - | VCC_P3V3 | |
| 49 | - | VCC_P3V3 | EXT2 |
| 50 | - | GND | |

4.1.3. Current Measurement Header

An angled 1x2, 100mil pin-header marked with MCU current measurement is located at the upper edge of the SAM4S Xplained Pro. All power to the SAM4SD32C is routed through this header. To measure the power consumption of the device remove the jumper and replace it with an ammeter.



Caution: Removing the jumper from the pin-header while the kit is powered may cause the SAM4SD32C to be powered through its I/O pins. This may cause permanent damage to the device.

4.1.4. Other Headers

In addition to the Xplained Pro extension headers, SAM4S Xplained Pro has two additional headers with spare signals that offers access to the I/O of the microcontroller which are otherwise not easily available elsewhere or might be favorable to have collected together. All headers have a pitch of 2.54mm.

Table 4-5 SPARE SIGNALS Header

| Pin on header | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | PA2 | DATRG | User button, SW0 |
| 2 | PA9 | PWMF10 | EXT2 |
| 3 | PA26 | TI0A2 | SD Card and PIOD Interface header |
| 4 | PA27 | TI0B2 | SD Card and PIOD Interface header |
| 5 | PA28 | TCLK1 | SD Card and PIOD Interface header |
| 6 | PA29 | TCLK2 | SD Card and PIOD Interface header |
| 7 | PA31 | PCK2 | SD Card and PIOD Interface header |
| 8 | PB0 | RTCOUT0 | EXT2 |
| 9 | PB1 | RTCOUT1 | EXT2 |
| 10 | PB13 | DAC0 | |



| Pin on header | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|---------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| 11 | PB14 | DAC1 | |
| 12 | - | - | GND |

Table 4-6 PIOD INTERFACE Header

| Pin on header | SAM4S pin | Function | Shared functionality |
|---------------|-----------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | PA15 | PIODCEN1 | LCD connector |
| 2 | PA16 | PIODCEN2 | EXT3 |
| 3 | PA23 | PIODCCLK | EXT1 |
| 4 | PA24 | PIODC0 | EXT1 |
| 5 | PA25 | PIODC1 | EXT1 |
| 6 | PA26 | PIODC2 | SD Card and SPARE Signals header |
| 7 | PA27 | PIODC3 | SD Card and SPARE Signals header |
| 8 | PA28 | PIODC4 | SD Card and SPARE Signals header |
| 9 | PA29 | PIODC5 | SD Card and SPARE Signals header |
| 10 | PA30 | PIODC6 | SD Card |
| 11 | PA31 | PIODC7 | SD Card and SPARE Signals header |
| 12 | - | - | GND |

4.2. Peripherals

4.2.1. NAND Flash

The SAM4S Xplained Pro kit has one 2Gb NAND Flash connected to the external bus interface of the SAM4S.

Table 4-7 NAND Flash Connections

| SAM4S pin | Function | NAND flash function | Shared functionality |
|-----------|----------|------------------------|----------------------|
| PC0 | D0 | 100 | LCD connector |
| PC1 | D1 | IO1 | LCD connector |
| PC2 | D2 | IO2 | LCD connector |
| PC3 | D3 | IO3 | LCD connector |
| PC4 | D4 | IO4 | LCD connector |
| PC5 | D5 | IO5 | LCD connector |
| PC6 | D6 | 106 | LCD connector |
| PC7 | D7 | 107 | LCD connector |
| PC9 | NANDOE | RE (active low) | |



| SAM4S pin | Function | NAND flash function | Shared functionality |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| PC10 | NANDWE | WE (active low) | |
| PC13 | GPIO | R (active high)/ B (active low) | |
| PC14 | NCS[0] | CE (active low) | |
| PC16 | NANDALE | ALE (active low) | |
| PC17 | NANDCLE | CLE | |

4.2.2. SD Card Connector

The SAM4S Xplained Pro kit has one SD card connector which is connected to High Speed Multimedia Card Interface (HSMCI) of the SAM4S.

Table 4-8 SD Card Connections

| SAM4S pin | Function | SD card function | Shared functionality |
|-----------|----------|------------------|---|
| PA26 | MCDA2 | DAT2 | SPARE Signal and PIOD Interface headers |
| PA27 | MCDA3 | DAT3 | SPARE Signal and PIOD Interface headers |
| PA28 | MCCDA | CMD | SPARE Signal and PIOD Interface headers |
| PA29 | MCCK | CLK | SPARE Signal and PIOD Interface headers |
| PA30 | MCDA0 | DAT0 | PIOD Interface header |
| PA31 | MCDA1 | DAT1 | SPARE Signal and PIOD Interface headers |
| PC12 | GPIO | Card Detect | |

4.2.3. Crystals

The SAM4S Xplained Pro kit contains two crystals that can be used as clock sources for the SAM4S device. Each crystal has a cut-strap next to it that can be used to measure the oscillator safety factor. This is done by cutting the strap and adding a resistor across the strap. More information about oscillator allowance and safety factor can be found in appnote AVR4100.

Table 4-9 External 32.768kHz Crystal

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|----------|
| PA49 | XIN32 |
| PA48 | XOUT32 |



Table 4-10 External 12MHz Crystal

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|----------|
| PB9 | XIN0 |
| PB8 | XOUT0 |

4.2.4. Mechanical Buttons

SAM4S Xplained Pro contains two mechanical buttons. One button is the RESET button connected to the SAM4S reset line and the other is a generic user configurable button. When a button is pressed it will drive the I/O line to GND.

Table 4-11 Mechanical Buttons

| Pin on SAM4S | Silkscreen text |
|--------------|-----------------|
| NRST | RESET |
| PC24 | SW0 |

4.2.5. LED

There is one yellow LED available on the SAM4S Xplained Pro board that can be turned on and off. The LED can be activated by driving the connected I/O line to GND.

Table 4-12 LED Connection

| Pin on SAM4S | LED |
|--------------|-------------|
| PC23 | Yellow LED0 |

4.2.6. Analog Reference

An adjustable voltage reference is implemented on the kit to have a reference for the ADC or DAC. The reference can be adjusted with the on-board multiturn trimmer potentiometer. Next to the potentiometer, a 2-pin header is available to measure the reference voltage for the AREF pin of the SAM4S. The voltage output range for the reference is 0V - 3.36V.

4.3. Embedded Debugger Implementation

SAM4S Xplained Pro contains an Embedded Debugger (EDBG) that can be used to program and debug the ATSAM4SD32C using Serial Wire Debug (SWD). The Embedded Debugger also include a Virtual Com port interface over UART, an Atmel Data Gateway Interface over SPI and TWI and it monitors four of the SAM4S GPIOs. Atmel Studio can be used as a front end for the Embedded Debugger.

4.3.1. Serial Wire Debug

The Serial Wire Debug (SWD) use two pins to communicate with the target. For further information on how to use the programming and debugging capabilities of the EDBG, see EDBG User Guide.

Table 4-13 SWD Connections

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|-----------|
| PB7 | SWD clock |
| PB6 | SWD data |



| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|------------------|
| PB5 | SWD trace output |
| PB12 | Erase |

4.3.2. Virtual COM Port

The Embedded Debugger act as a Virtual Com Port gateway by using one of the ATSAM4SD32C UARTs. For further information on how to use the Virtual COM port see Embedded Debugger on page 6.

Table 4-14 Virtual COM Port Connections

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|--------------------------|
| PB3 | UART TXD (SAM4S TX line) |
| PB2 | UART RXD (SAM4S RX line) |

4.3.3. Atmel Data Gateway Interface

The Embedded Debugger features an Atmel Data Gateway Interface (DGI) by using either a SPI or TWI port. The DGI can be used to send a variety of data from the SAM4S to the host PC. For further information on how to use the DGI interface see Embedded Debugger on page 6.

Table 4-15 DGI Interface Connections when using SPI

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| PA5 | Slave select (SAM4S is Master) |
| PA12 | SPI MISO (Master In, Slave Out) |
| PA13 | SPI MOSI (Master Out, Slave in) |
| PA14 | SPI SCK (Clock Out) |

Table 4-16 DGI Interface Connections when using TWI

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|------------------|
| PA3 | SDA (Data line) |
| PA4 | SCL (Clock line) |

Four GPIO lines are connected to the Embedded Debugger. The EDBG can monitor these lines and time stamp pin value changes. This makes it possible to accurately time stamp events in the SAM4S application code. For further information on how to configure and use the GPIO monitoring features see Embedded Debugger on page 6.

Table 4-17 GPIO Lines Connected to the EDBG

| Pin on SAM4S | Function |
|--------------|----------|
| PA6 | GPIO0 |
| PC22 | GPIO1 |
| PC24 | GPIO2 |
| PC25 | GPIO3 |



5. Hardware Revision History and Known Issues

5.1. Identifying Product ID and Revision

The revision and product indentifier of Xplained Pro boards can be found in two ways; through Atmel Studio or by looking at the sticker on the bottom side of the PCB.

By connecting a Xplained Pro MCU board to a computer with Atmel Studio running, an information window will pop up. The first six digits of the serial number, which is listed under kit details, contain the product identifier and revision. Information about connected Xplained Pro extension boards will also appear in the Atmel Kits window.

The same information can be found on the sticker on the bottom side of the PCB. Most kits will print the identifier and revision in plain text as A09-nnnn\rr where nnnn is the identifiser and rr is the revision. Boards with limited space have a sticker with only a QR-code which contains ta serial number string.

The serial number string has the following format:

"nnnnrrssssssssss"

n = product identifier

r = revision

s = serial number

The product indentifier for SAM4S Xplained Pro is A09-1803.

5.2. Revision 5

On this revision, the SPI clock net is improved to reduce any issues that might be caused by reflections. The SPI has been removed from the LCD (EXT4 connector) to reduce load on the clock net. The remaining clock lines have been divided into four terminated nets for each SPI source (EXT1, EXT2, EXT3, and EDBG) and routed in a star like layout. A series terminator resistor of 43ohm is placed on each clock net, close to the SPI clock pin. This reduces any issues that might be caused by reflections coming back from unterminated/unused clock lines. It also reduces the rise/fall time of the clock edges and that will also help to reduce any reflection issues.

Known issues

 There is no LC filter on the VDDPLL supply pin on the kit. This may cause excess ripple on the supply voltage which can cause the 48MHz PLL to not lock, which means USB applications may not work. For more information see the AT03463 SAM4S Schematic Checklist.

5.3. Revision 4

Known issues

SAM4S has an on-die series termination of the SPI CLK which makes this signal not usable for a multi drop clock distribution because all devices along the line will see a fraction of VCC until the signal is reflected from the end of the transmission line. On the SAM4S Xplained Pro revision 4 this signal is routed to each extension connector with EXT1 at the end of the line. That means extensions that are connected along the transission line e.g. EXT3 header is likely to fail due to a



non-monotinic edge caused by relections and the fraction of VCC that is present for a short time until the reflection comes back from the end of the line.

Workaround:

By slowing down the clock rise time with a capacitor, and thus effectively increasing the line length at which point it becomes a transmission line, it is possible to remove the clock issue. A 56pF capacitor has been mounted on the bottom side of the board between the SPI clock and GND. This however reduces the maximum SPI clock speed and it is recommended to not run this faster than 30MHz (this also depends on how much additional capacitance is added by connected extensions and needs to be checked case by case). The capacitor was added on revision 4 on the bottom side of the EXT3 header.



6. Document Revision History

| Doc. rev. | Date | Comment |
|-----------|---------|--|
| 42075C | 05/2015 | Table 4-17 GPIO Lines Connected to the EDBG on page 20 now lists the correct GPIO names, changed PA6, PA22, PA24, and PA25 to PA6, PC22, PC24, and PC25. Added errata about missing LC filter on the VDDPLL pin. |
| 42075B | 03/2013 | Added information about changes done on Revision 5 on page 21 of the kit. |
| 42075A | 02/2013 | Initial document release. |



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