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Getting Started Manual of ElecronicsV3 Board



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Getting to Know the Hardware

ElecronicsV3 is a development board based on **NXP Semiconductor S32K144 MCU** with a **100-pin package**. When the board is shipped to you, it will be shipped with the following content:



Arduino of Automotive World

The Board has all the things which are needed to start with it, we don't need any external debugger or connecting wires to use it. It has on Board Jlink Debugger which can be accessed by Type C USB Cable, Virtual COM Port which can be accessed by same Type C Cable, CAN transceiver IC making ElecronicsV3 self sufficient CAN Node, Bosch BNO055 IMU Sensor and various other small features. To know more in-depth about ElecronicsV3 board hardware refer to its User Manual (Link in Reference Documents Section).



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To use ElecronicsV3 Board, you Just need to arrange the USB Type C cable on your own and connect to its USB Type C Port. The ElecronicsV3 board would be powered, programmed, debugged and UART interface via same USB Port. So ElecronicsV3 Onboard USB Type C port provides very easy and hassle-free setup to get started with the Automotive MCU in easy way.

When you will connect the ElecronicsV3 Board with USB type C cable connected to host PC/Desktop, the board will be powered, and its onboard power and debugger LEDs will start glowing. Indicating board is powered successfully.





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On your Host Desktop/PC, open the Device manager and you will see Jlink Driver and Virtual UART COM Port being detected over there. Indicating that necessary hardware drivers required to program and debug the ElecronicsV3 board via its Onboard Jlink Debugger and UART COM are identified by Host PC/Desktop.



That all what is required for getting started with ElecronicaV3 Board from hardware point of view. Now lets move to Software Applications that we would be needing to use ElecronicsV3 board and their installation and configurations.

Getting to Know the Software

In terms of Software, to do the development on elecronicsV3, we need the following software:

- 1) S32 Design Studio Integrated Development Environment
- 2) S32K1 SDK, which includes all peripheral drivers and NXP demo codes.



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Software tools needed to use ElecronicsV2

Both of these things users can get to know from this blog: <u>Getting Started with S32 Design Studio Part 1</u> <u>Gettobyte</u>, in which I have explained step by step the installation of the above 2 mentioned things.

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For ease of development on ElecronicsV3, there are some software tools available. These 2 tools ease the development and make application development fast:

1) S32 code configuration tool:

For the S32 **Configuration tool, it comes with S32 Design studio inbuilt**. Users can refer to this blog **on how to use S32 Configuration tool**: <u>Getting Started with S32 Design Studio Part 2 | Gettobyte</u>

2) Free master Debugger: Free master debugger is a debugger tool. How to use the Debugger tool and getting started with it would be there in future content.



How To do the Debugging and Building in S32 Design Studio

For Debugging and building the Embedded Software programs for ElecronicsV3 board, S32 Deisgn Studio has inbuilt features.





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For **Debugging the code**, S32 Design Studio **has built in plug-ins and full support hardware and software debugging tools** and features like:

- hardware debugger support: **PeMicro Debugger and J Link Debugger**.
- Software Debugger tool's: **GDB**, **OpenOCD**.
- Debugging features: **Step Into, Step Over, Watchpoints, Memory/Live Variable/Expression View, FreeRTOS debug plug in and many others**.

Users can refer this video to know how to do the debugging in S32 Design Studio: <u>https://youtu.be/ExAXWjBNP 4?si=7te68Rw-zEz4-NO-</u>

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Video for Debugging Project in S32 Design Studio

Also, **In terms of Building the project**, S32 Design Studio **has comprehensive set of features and GUI to do building**. Building in embedded is a process of generating the ELF file out of our source code(.c,.h files). And then this ELF file is flashed into our target MCU via debugging/programming tools. In S32 Design Studio we have built features like:

- GNU GCC compiler and make file support
- Build Configurations: To make different subprojects with in one project
- Build Configuration Explorer: To Select which files/folder to include in a project for building.
- Memory analyzer: To analyze what memory and space of our Code after compiling.
- Build Clean/All: GUI based framework to clean the build and build the project.

Users can refer this video to know how to do the debugging in S32 Design Studio: https://youtu.be/e0aK sCnbhA



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There is one more tool, which we will be using for the ElecronicsV2 board, that is: **J-Link software and documentation pack**. This software pack contains various **software tools which can be used with J Link Debugger.** As we would be using J Link Debugger for Programming and debugging elecronicsV2 board, so these tools would be used from time to time to analyze things with J Link debugger.

Download the **J-Link software and documentation pack, from here:** <u>SEGGER - The Embedded</u> <u>Experts - Downloads - J-Link / J-Trace</u>. Download the exe file and follow the traditional software installation process.

Resources for ElecronicsV3

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Best thing about ElecroncsV3, is that for using the ElecronicsV3 you will get all step-by step tutorials and content on Gettobyte Website. An ElecronicsV2 board has full Autosar MCAL Layer support, FreeRTOS Support and Stack of various External Sensor/Modules that can be connected to it. Users can refer to this link for:

- 1. Getting started and peripheral driver's on ElecronicV2: <u>S32K144 Peripherals Archives -</u> <u>Get To Byte</u>
- 2. External Sensor/Module stack: Sensor-Modules-interfacing Archives Get To Byte
- 3. DIY projects with ElecronicsV2: DIY Projects Archives Get To Byte
- 4. Autosar MCAL Layer: Peripheral Drivers(Autosar) Archives Get To Byte
- 5. Automotive EdTech Courses: Store (gettobyte.com)



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It is recommended to follow the chronological order, which is stated above, to learn things in best way. Users should explore the 2nd and 4th pointer to see what kind of application we can develop using ElecronicsV2.

Most important thing in resources is **GitHub repo of Elecroni**csV3, which is developed and maintained by Gettobyte: <u>gettobyte/GB ElecronicsV S32K144 Autosar MCAL: NXP Semiconductors</u> <u>S32K144 Microcontroller Autosar MCAL layer demo examples (github.com)</u>

You can clone the repo and open the Project in S32 Design Studio. To know how to open the project in S32 Design Studio, <u>refer this link:</u>

In the repo you will find various examples of different peripherals of the S32K144 MCU and different sensor/module interfacing with S32K144 MCU.

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Reference Documents

S. No	Document Name	Reference
1)	User Manual of ElecronicsV3	<u>Link</u>
2)	Reference Manual of S32K144 MCU	Link 100- 10- 1101
3)	Data brief of S32K144 MCU	011010 0110010 010010
4)	Tutorials and Resources for ElecronicsV3 Board	0101: <mark>Link</mark> 10101 0101
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