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APM32F4xx_Quick Start Guide

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1 Introduction

This application note guides beginners to understand APM32F4xx series, and quickly learn to carry out development, operation, debugging and other related tasks.

It mainly contains:

Product overview, document description, development board resource description, functional description of firmware package, and use of development tools.

All materials involved in this application note can be obtained and downloaded from the website of www.geehy.com.



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2 Product Overview

APM32F405/407 series MCU, based on Arm® Cortex®-M4 core, supports single-precision FPU and enhanced DSP processing instruction; has rich peripheral resources to meet multiple application requirements; supports the high-speed OTG interface of on-chip PHY; supports SM2, SM3, SM4 and other encryption algorithms, which helps to ensure the security of data information, with operating temperature of -40°C~+105°C.

The detailed performance description is shown in the table below. For specific models, see the model table on the official website:



Table 1

	Table 1	
System:	I/Os:	
Arm® Cortex®-M4 core Operating dominant frequency 168 MHz Support single-precision FPU Support DSP instructions	Up to 140 I/O They all can be mapped to external interrupt vectors	
Memory:	Debugging mode:	
	SWD/JTAG	
FLASH: 1MB SRAM: 192KB	Security:	
SDRAM: 2MB (optional) Support external memory extension	Support state secret algorithm SM2/SM3/SM4	
Power supply and power:	Peripheral interface:	
VDD/VDDA: 1.8~3.6V Backup domain power supply VBAT: 1.65~3.6V Support power-on / power-down reset Support programmable power supply voltage detector Timer: 16/32-bit general-purpose timer: 8/2 16-bit advanced timer: 2 16-bit basic timer: 2 Watchdog timer: 2 24-bit system timer: 1	U(S)ART: 6 I2C: 3 SPI: 3 I2S: 2 DCI: 1 USB OTG: 3 CAN: 2 SDIO: 1 Ethernet: 1 Support SDRAM	
Analog peripherals:	Package:	
12-bit ADC: 3; number of external channels: 24 12-bit ADC: 2	LQFP64/100/144/176	



3 Documentation

3.1 Datasheet

Datasheet

APM32F405xG APM32F407xExG

Arm® Cortex® -M4 core-based 32-bit MCU

Version: V1.2

APM32F405xG 407xExG Data Sheet V1.2.pdf

Including:

- 1. Product characteristics; 2. Product information
- 3. Pin information 4. Functional description
- 5. Electrical characteristics; 6. Sub-packaging information"
- 7. Packaging information; 8. Ordering Information
- 9. Common function module naming; 10. Revision history



3.2 User Manual

User Manual

APM32F405/415xG

APM32F407/417xExG

Arm® Cortex®-M4 based 32-bit MCU

Version: V1.3

APM32F4xxx User Manual V1.2.pdf

Table 2

Introduction and document	2. System architecture	3. Flash memory
description rules		
4. External memory controller	5. System configuration	6. Reset and clock
(EMMC)	controller (SYSCFG)	management (RCM)
7. Power management unit	8. Nested vector interrupt	9. External interrupt / event
(PMU)	controller (NVIC)	controller (EINT)
10. Direct memory access	11. Debug MCU (DBGMCU)	12. General-purpose input /
(DMA)		output pin (GPIO)
13. Timer overview	14. Advanced timers (TMR1/8)	15. General-purpose timers
		(TMR2/3/4/5)
16. General-purpose timers	17. Basic timers (TMR6/7)	18. Watchdog timer (WDT)
(TMR9/10/11/12/13/14)		
19. Real-time clock (RTC)	20. HASH processor (HASH)	21. Digital camera interface
		(DCI)
22. Universal	23. Internal integrated circuit	24. Serial peripheral
synchronous/asynchronous	interface (I2C)	interface/On-chip audio interface
transceiver (USART)		(SPI/I2S)
25. Controller area network	26. Secure digital input/output	27.USB_OTG
(CAN)	interface (SDIO)	
28. Ethernet	29. Analog-to-digital converter	30. Digital-to-analog converter
	(ADC)	(DAC)
31. Random number generator	32.CRYP	33. Cyclic redundancy check
(RNG)		computing unit (CRC)
34. Chip electronic signature		



4 MINI Development Board

According to the chip model difference and sub-packaging types, two kinds of MINI BOARD are designed for users, which are respectively:

4.1 APM32F407IG MINIBOARD





According to APM32F407IG MINI Development Board User Manual V1.1.pdf

Users can learn:

The MINI BOARD design chip is APM32F407IGT6:

Number of pins: 176

Memory capacity: 1MB

■ RAM capacity: 192+4KB

Package type: LQFP176

■ Temperature range: -40°C~85°C

The design resources of the MINI BOARD contain:

■ External high-speed clock (HSE): 8MHz

■ I/Os: 140 VCC/VDD: 3 GND: 1 NC: 2 GPIO: 134.

■ USART1/2: RS-232; select through J3 jumper cap.

■ BOOT0/1: Select through J4 jumper cap.

■ USB: Type B / Power; select through J10 jumper cap.

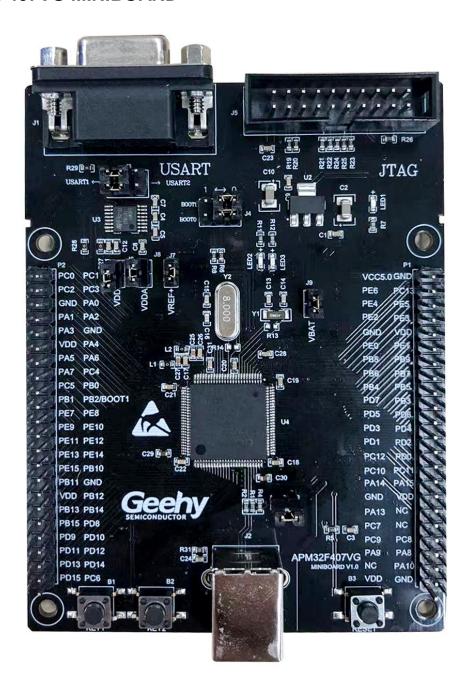
Support JTAG and SWD two debugging modes.

■ LED1 is the power indicator light. LED2 and LED3 are used by users.

Reset Key has 1 Key1 and Key2 for users.



4.2 APM32F407VG MINIBOARD





According to APM32F407VG MINI Development Board User Manual V1.1.pdf

Users can learn:

The MINI BOARD design chip is APM32F407VGT6:

Number of pins: 100

Memory capacity: 1MB

■ RAM capacity: 192+4KB

■ Package type: LQFP100

■ Temperature range: -40°C~85°C

The design resources of the MINI BOARD contain:

■ External high-speed clock (HSE): 8MHz

■ I/Os: 92 VCC/VDD: 6 GND: 7 NC: 3 GPIO: 76.

■ USART1/2: RS-232; select through J3 jumper cap.

■ BOOT0/1: Select through J4 jumper cap.

■ USB: Type B / Power; select through J10 jumper cap.

Support JTAG and SWD two debugging modes.

■ LED1 is the power indicator light. LED2 and LED3 are used by users.

Reset Key has 1 Key1 and Key2 for users.



5 Firmware Package

In order to enrich product models and give full play to chip performance, our company has developed the following kinds of firmware for users to select:

1. "Geehy.APM32F4xx_DFP.1.0.1.pack"



2. "APM32F4xx_SDK_V1.1.zip"



3. "APM32F4xx_OTG_SDK_v1.1.rar"



4. "APM32F4xx_SM_SDK_v1.1.zip"



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5.1 MDK5 Packs

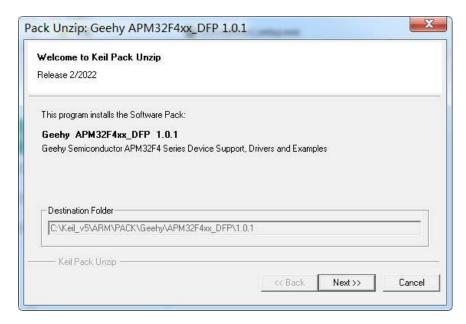
The MDK software package provides additional software components and support for microcontroller devices, DFP for short (Device Family Pack).

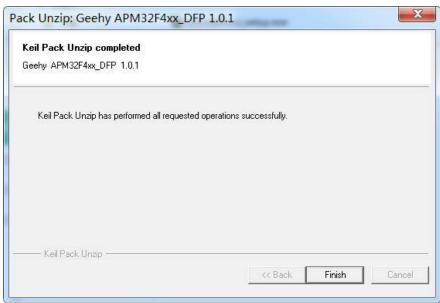
Users can choose to download the latest version of pack from www.geehy.com.

Or you can choose to download the historical version of pack of Geehy directory from www.keil.com.

Installation method:

1. Double-click Install

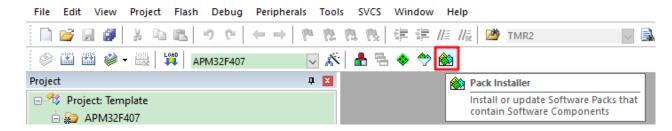




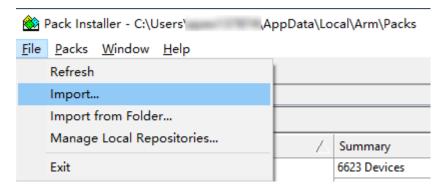


2. MDK5 installation

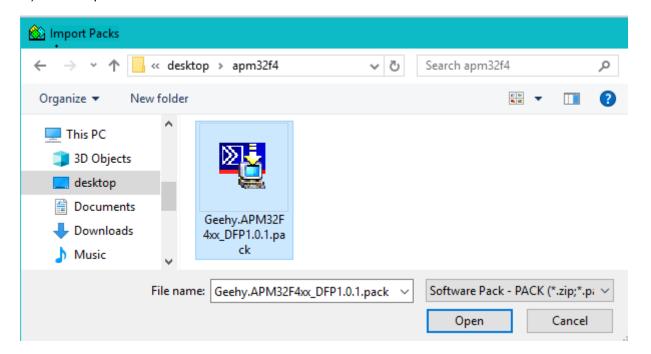
a) Select the red box button



b) Select Import

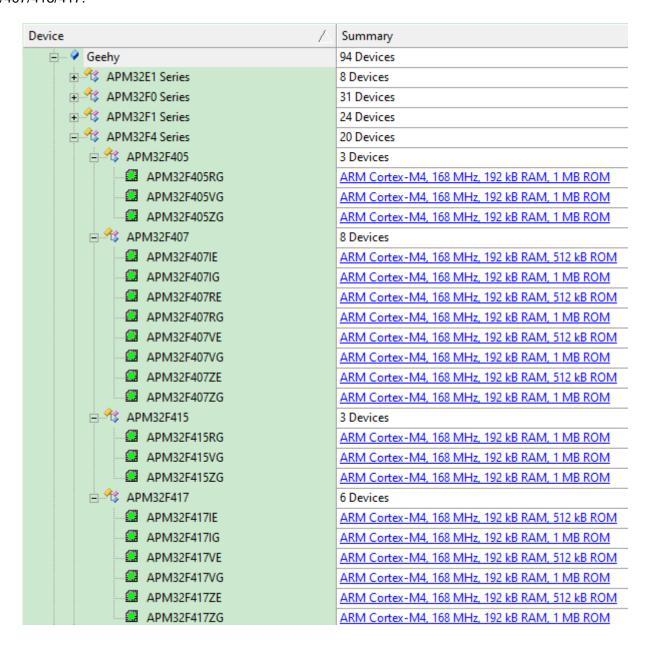


c) Select pack





After successful installation, we can see that APM32F4 series currently supports 20 chip models, which are F405/407/415/417:

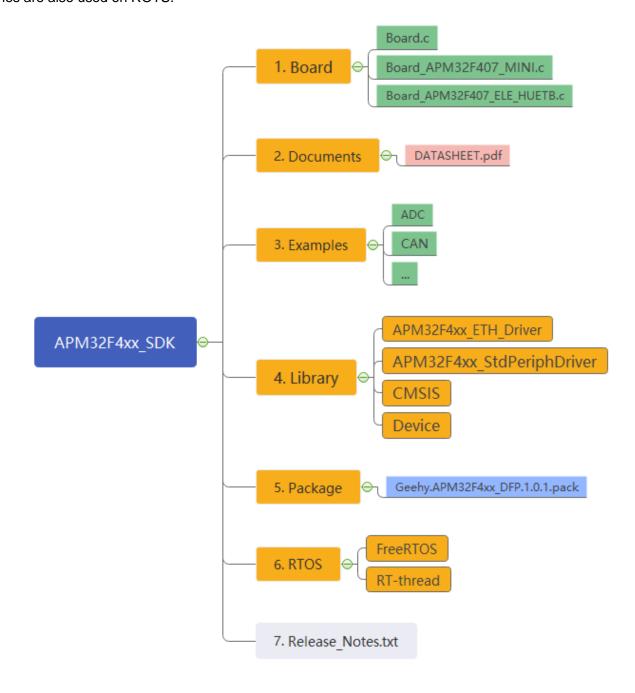




5.2 General SDK

Software Development Kit, SDK for short, generally, refers to the collection of development tools used by software engineers to establish application software for specific software packages, software frameworks, hardware platforms, operating systems, etc. It is a toolkit provided by a third-party service provider to implement the functions of software products. For users, it can shorten development cycle, reduce resource costs, and accelerate product R&D.

APM32F4xx_SDK mainly serves the common module of APM32F4xx series MCU, and supports KEIL, IAR and other development platforms. The SDK contains the driver code and application routines of ADC, CAN, DMA and other modules. Users can select appropriate driver for related configuration. At the same time, routines are also used on ROTS.

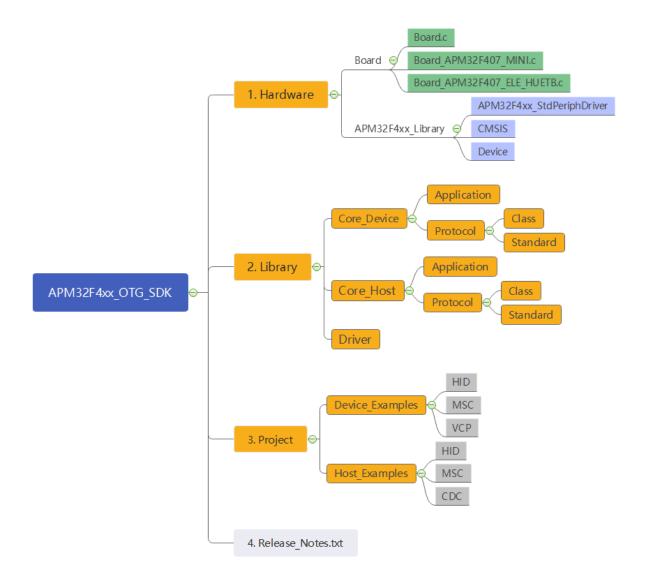




5.3 OTG SDK

OTG is the abbreviation of On-The-Go, which is a technology that develops this year. It is mainly used to connect different devices or mobile devices for data exchange. OTG technology allows data transmission between devices without a host. Through OTG technology, USB interface accessories can be extended to intelligent terminals to enrich the functions of intelligent terminals, such as extending remote controller accessories and turning mobile phones and tablets into universal remote controllers.

APM32F4xx_OTG_SDK mainly serves the USB_OTG modules of APM32F4xx series MCU. The SDK contains the driver code and corresponding routines of USB host and device, and can support the application of embedded high-speed USB PHY of APM32F4xx. Users can refer to routines and use the driver function interface to realize specific USB applications. USB host driver supports control transmission, interrupt transmission, batch transmission and synchronous transmission, and basically covers the USB applications that meet USB2.0 specifications.

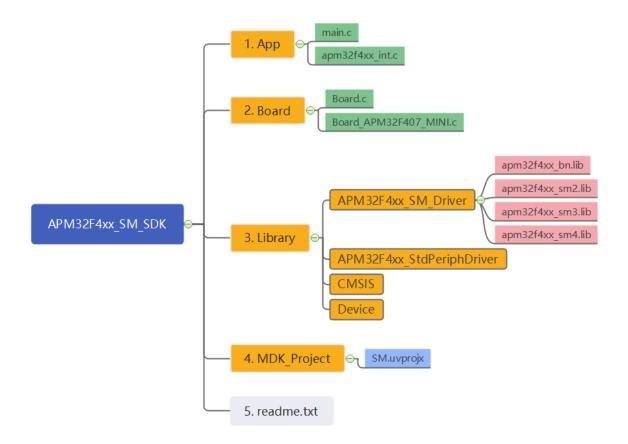




5.4 SM SDK

State commercial cryptography uses the phonetic abbreviation SM. It is an independent and controllable domestic algorithm designated by the State Cryptography Administration, including SM1, SM2, SM3, SM4, SM7, SM9, ZUC, etc.

APM32F4xx_SDK_SDK mainly serves the state commercial cryptography module of APM32F4xx series MCU. The SDK contains the driver codes of SM2, SM3 and SM4, which have been applied to routines. SM2 asymmetric cryptographic algorithm is implemented by software, and can replace international algorithms such as RSA1024/RSA2048. SM3 hash algorithm is implemented by hardware, and can replace MD5/SHA-1/SH-2 and other international algorithms. SM4 symmetric cryptographic algorithm is implemented by hardware, and can replace TDES/AES256 and other international algorithms. Users can refer to routines and use the driver function interface to realize specific encryption and decryption applications.



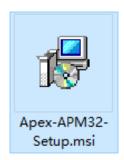


6 Tool Chain

1. Geehy-Link



2. APM32 PROG



3. DFU



4. ISP



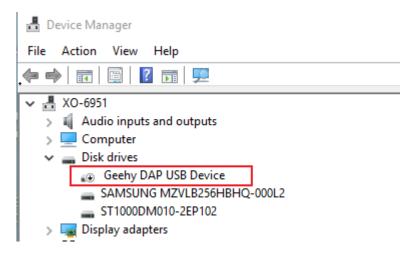


6.1 Geehy-Link

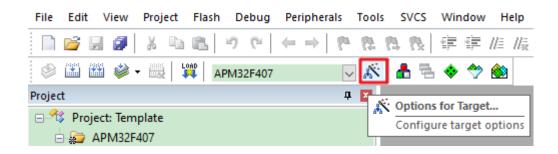
Geehy-LINK is a development tool integrating simulator and programmer, which can debug and simulate the APM32 full-range MCU products online in Keil, IAR and other integrated development environments. Support full-speed operation, single-step debugging, breakpoint setting and other debugging methods. Refer to the document of *GEEHY-LINK User Manual V1.0.0.pdf* on the official website

Keil MDK IDE:

a) Use the USB cable to connect Geehy-LINK to the computer. After they are connected successfully, Geehy DAP USB Device will appear on the device manager

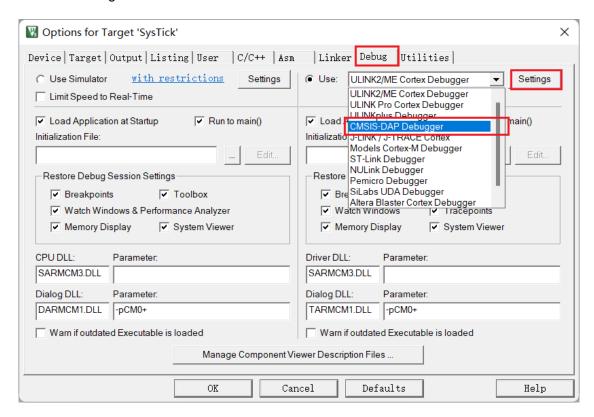


b) Open the project file and select "Options for Target" tab.

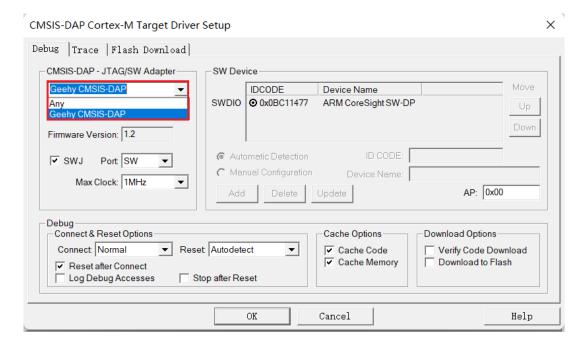




c) In the "Debug" option, download and select the simulator as "CMSIS-DAP Debugger" and then select "Setting".



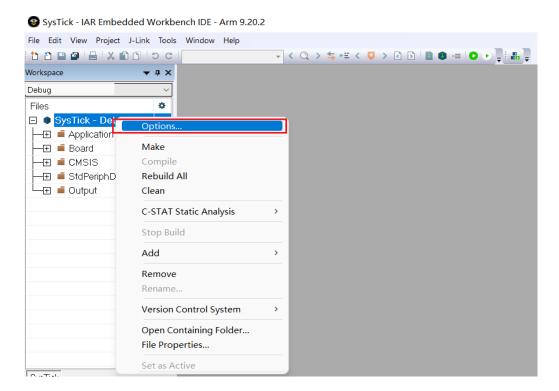
d) In the "CMSIS-DAP Cortex-M Driver Setup" interface, select "Geehy CMSIS-DAP" (the old version is "Apex CMSIS-DAP") and click "OK".



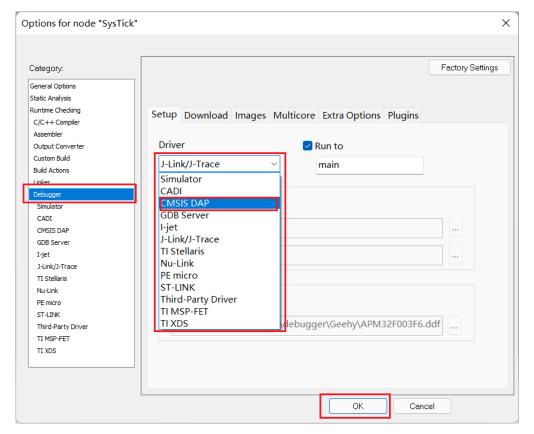


IAR EW for Arm IDE:

a) Open the project file and select "Options" tab.



b) Select "CMSIS DAP" simulator in "Debugger" and click "OK".





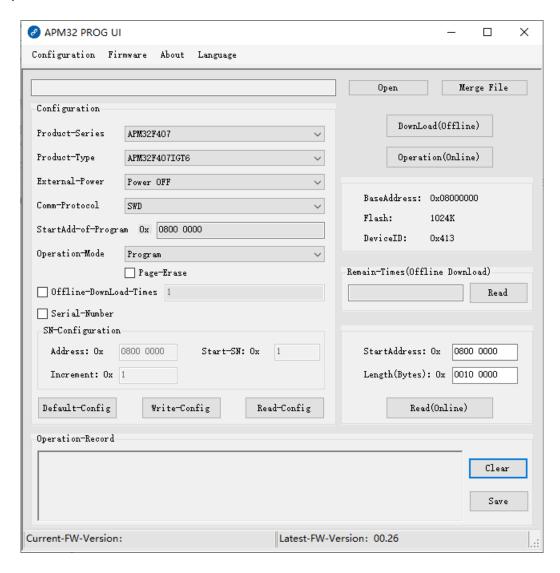
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6.2 APM32 PROG

APM32-PROG is a tool developed for APM32 series chips. It can be used together with the upper computer software to complete the software programming of MCU chips, supports in-system and offline programming, supports JTAG and SWD programming of the upper computer, and supports WIN7/8/10 drive-free use.

For detailed operation, refer to APM32_PROG User Manual V1.0.pdf on the official website.

Download the upper computer software <u>Apex-APM32-Setup.msi</u>, and then install it (the installation interface is omitted). Open the software and connect APM32PROG. After successful connection, the upper computer will read the firmware version of the current APM32PROG, as shown in the red box at the bottom of the figure below. If the firmware version of the current APM32PROG is lower than the latest version, you will be prompted to update the firmware version.



The functional area of the APM32PROG upper computer is divided into the file opening area, configuration area (including serial number configuration and configuration writing), and offline or online operation area. APM32PROG, together with the upper computer, can realize such functions as programming, reading, encryption and decryption of the target MCU.

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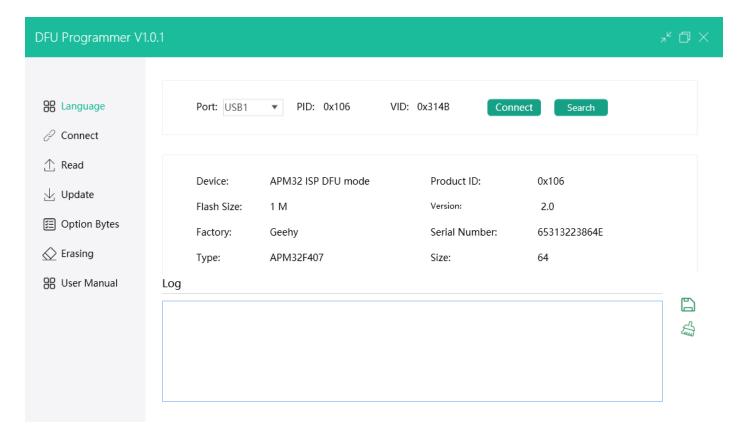
6.3 **DFU**

The full name of DFU is Device Firmware Upgrade.

It mainly supports USB BootLoader, and can implement programming of chip FLASH and modification of option bytes. The upper computer of Geehy DFU Programmer is used for DFU upgrade of APM32 series MCU. The operation flow is shown below:

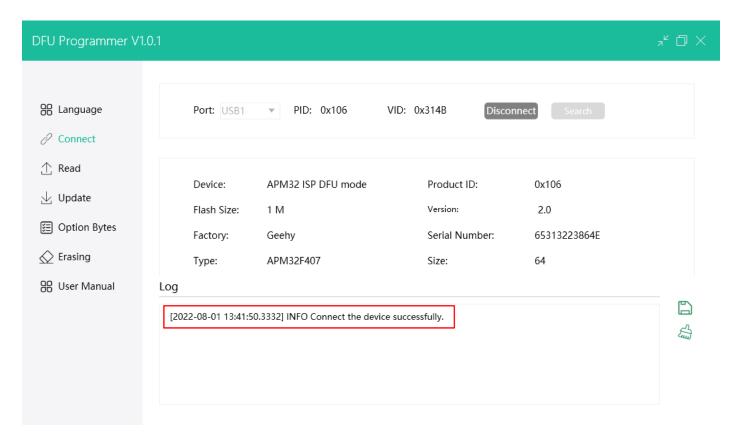
a) Connect DFUProgrammer connects to MCU

Open DFUProgrammer software. If the computer has been connected to an "APM32 Bootloader" device, the initial interface is shown below. If no device is found, click the "Search device" button to search for the device. Click the "Connect a device" button to connect to the target MCU.





b) After the target MCU is successfully connected, we can see the corresponding prompt in the log interface.

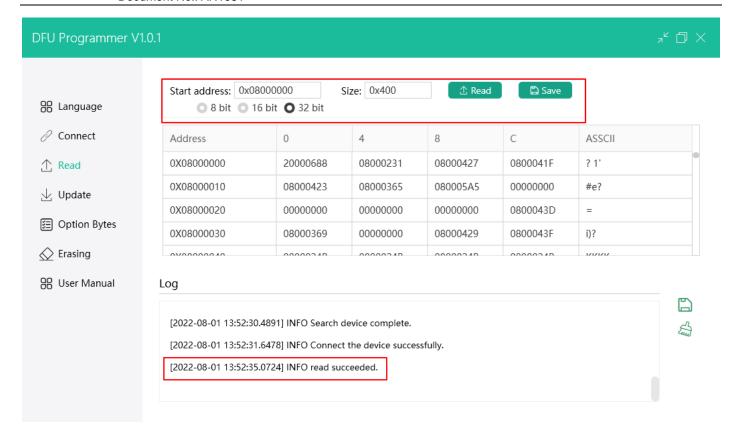


c) DFUProgrammer read program

Click the "Read a chip" button on the left to enter the chip content reading interface. In this interface, you can set the content and size of read chip, click the "Read chip" button to read the corresponding data, and click the "Save data" button to save the data to PC.

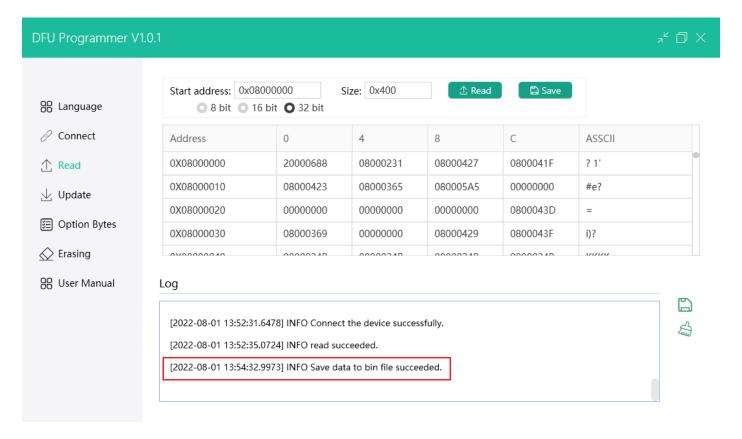
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d) After the data is saved successfully, you can get the information of data successfully saved in the log window.

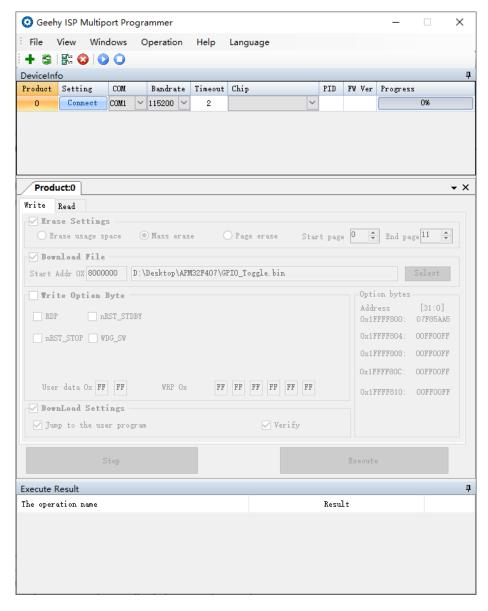




6.4 ISP

ISP is In-System-Programming. Chips with ISP function can write or erase programs directly on the circuit board through a simple download cable, can be rewritten by the software of the upper computer through the serial port, and supports online debugging. So that users can test and develop the chips without programmers.

ISP Multiport Programmer is a graphical interface application developed to make it easier for users to use Geehy's MCU. Using this application, users can configure and operate multiple MCU devices of Geehy at the same time through UART port. For details, refer to *Geehy-ISP Multiport Programmer User Manual*.



A segment of BootLoader program and system storage area are built in APM32F4 series MCU before they leave the factory, to facilitate users to implement program downloading, option bytes programming and other operations on MCU through ISP. The BootLoader of each chip has different communication methods to support upgrade.



Table 3

General MCU series	Whether supporting ISP upgrade	Supporting interfaces	BootLoader entry mode
APM32F4x5x7	Yes	USB (PA11/PA12) USART (PA9/PA10、PB11/PB12、 PC11/PC12) CAN (PB5/PB13)	Boot0 connects to 0, and Boot1 connects to 1

The general process of connecting APM32 ISP Multiport Programmer to MCU is as follows:

- a) Click the plus sign Add New Window below the main interface to get the setting window.
- b) Select the corresponding USB Serial Port in the setting window like COM3.
- c) Set the required baud rate under the Bandrate in the setting window, e.g. set to 115200.
- d) Set the connection timeout under the Timeout in the setting window, e.g. set to 2.
- e) Finally, click the Connect button under Setting to complete the connection to the target M CU.

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