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# **DRAM Click**





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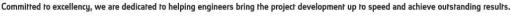
**DRAM Click** is a compact add-on board representing a dynamic random-access memory solution. This board contains the <u>APS6404L-3SKR</u> from <u>AP Memory</u>, a high-performance 64Mb SPI/KPI PSRAM memory organized as 8M x 8 bits each. This Pseudo-SRAM device features a high speed, low pin count interface and incorporates a seamless self-managed refresh mechanism to maximize the performance of memory read operation. It has 4 SDR I/O pins and operates in SPI or QPI (quad peripheral interface) mode with frequencies up to 133 MHz. This Click board<sup>™</sup> is most suitable for low-power and low-cost portable applications.

DRAM Click is supported by a <u>mikroSDK</u> compliant library, which includes functions that simplify software development. This <u>Click board</u> comes as a fully tested product, ready to be used on a system equipped with the <u>mikroBUS</u> socket.

# How does it work?

DRAM Click is based on the APS6404L-3SQR, a 64Mb PSRAM (Pseudo-SRAM) memory with an SPI/QPI interface from AP Memory. Organized as 8M x 8 bits each, this high speed, high performance memory has a page size of 1024 bytes. It also incorporates a seamless, self-managed refresh mechanism specially designed to maximize the performance of the memory read operation (it does not require the support of DRAM refresh from the system host). It is most suitable for low-power and low-cost portable applications.

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The APS6404L-3SQR communicates with the MCU using a SPI serial interface that also supports Quad SPI and the two most common modes, SPI Mode 0 (QSPI Mode 1), with a maximum SPI frequency of 133MHz. The APS6404L-3SQR includes an on-chip voltage sensor that is used to start the self-initialization process. When the main power supply voltage reaches a stable level at or above the minimum supply voltage level, the device will require 150µs and user-issued RESET Operation to complete its self-initialization process. The device powers up in SPI mode by default configuration but can also be switched into QPI mode. The CS pin must be set to high logic level before initiating any operations.

This Click board<sup>™</sup> can be operated only with a 3.3V logic voltage level. The board must perform appropriate logic voltage level conversion before using MCUs with different logic levels. However, the Click board<sup>™</sup> comes equipped with a library containing functions and an example code that can be used as a reference, for further development.

Туре	DRAM
Applications	Can be used for low-power and low-cost portable applications
On-board modules	APS6404L-3SQR - 64Mb PSRAM (Pseudo-SRAM) memory from AP Memory
Key Features	Low power consumption, SPI/QPI with SDR mode, high performance, organized as 8M x 8bits, page size of 1024 bytes, self-managed refresh mechanism, software reset, and more
Interface	QSPI,SPI
Feature	No ClickID
Compatibility	mikroBUS™
Click board size	S (28.6 x 25.4 mm)
Input Voltage	3.3V

# Specifications

# **Pinout diagram**

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This table shows how the pinout on DRAM Click corresponds to the pinout on the mikroBUS<sup>m</sup> socket (the latter shown in the two middle columns).

Notes	Pin	● ● mikro™ ● ● ● BUS				Pin	Notes
	NC	1	AN	PWM	16	102	QSPI IO2
QSPI IO3	103	2	RST	INT	15	NC	
SPI Chip Select	CS	3	CS	RX	14	NC	
SPI Clock	SCK	4	SCK	TX	13	NC	
SPI Data OUT / QSPI IO1	SDO	5	MISO	SCL	12	NC	
SPI Data IN / QSPI IO0	SDI	6	MOSI	SDA	11	NC	
Power Supply	3.3V	7	3.3V	5V	10	NC	
Ground	GND	8	GND	GND	9	GND	Ground

# **Onboard settings and indicators**

Label	Name	Default	Description
LD1	PWR	-	Power LED Indicator

# **DRAM Click electrical specifications**

Description	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage	-	3.3	-	V
Memory Size	-	-	64	Mb
Operating Temperature Range	-25	+25	+85	°C

### **Software Support**

We provide a library for the DRAM Click as well as a demo application (example), developed using MikroElektronika <u>compilers</u>. The demo can run on all the main MikroElektronika <u>development boards</u>.

Package can be downloaded/installed directly from NECTO Studio Package Manager(recommended way), downloaded from our <u>LibStock™</u> or found on <u>Mikroe github</u> <u>account</u>.

#### **Library Description**

This library contains API for DRAM Click driver.

Key functions

- dram\_memory\_write This function writes a desired number of data bytes starting from the selected memory address.
- dram\_memory\_read This function reads a desired number of data bytes starting from the selected memory address.
- dram\_memory\_read\_fast This function reads a desired number of data bytes starting from the selected memory address performing fast read feature.

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#### **Example Description**

This example demonstrates the use of DRAM Click board<sup>™</sup> by writing specified data to the memory and reading it back.

The full application code, and ready to use projects can be installed directly from NECTO Studio Package Manager(recommended), downloaded from our <u>LibStock™</u> or found on <u>Mikroe github</u> <u>account</u>.

Other Mikroe Libraries used in the example:

- MikroSDK.Board
- MikroSDK.Log
- Click.DRAM

#### Additional notes and informations

Depending on the development board you are using, you may need <u>USB UART click</u>, <u>USB UART</u> <u>2 Click</u> or <u>RS232 Click</u> to connect to your PC, for development systems with no UART to USB interface available on the board. UART terminal is available in all MikroElektronika <u>compilers</u>.

#### mikroSDK

This Click board<sup> $\mathbb{M}$ </sup> is supported with <u>mikroSDK</u> - MikroElektronika Software Development Kit. To ensure proper operation of mikroSDK compliant Click board<sup> $\mathbb{M}$ </sup> demo applications, mikroSDK should be downloaded from the <u>LibStock</u> and installed for the compiler you are using.

For more information about mikroSDK, visit the official page.

#### Resources

<u>mikroBUS</u>™

<u>mikroSDK</u>

Click board<sup>™</sup> Catalog

Click Boards<sup>™</sup>

#### **Downloads**

DRAM click example on Libstock

DRAM click 2D and 3D files

APS6404L-3SQR datasheet

DRAM click schematic

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