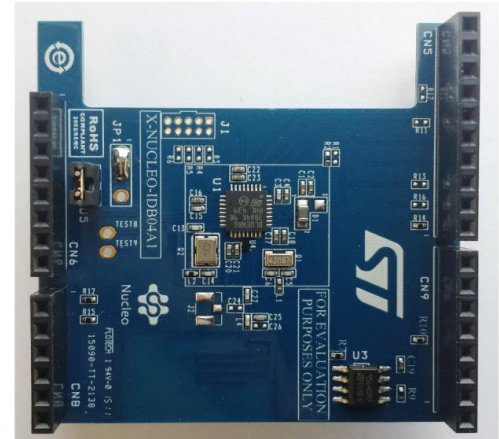


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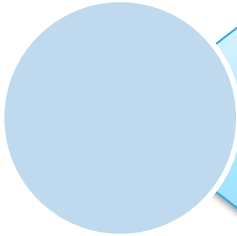
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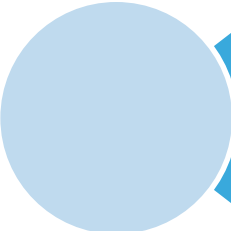
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# Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board (X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1)

## Hardware overview

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### Hardware Description

- The X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1 is a Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) evaluation and development board system, designed around ST's BlueNRG BLE network processor.
- The BlueNRG processor communicates with STM32 Nucleo developer board host microcontroller through an SPI link available on the Arduino UNO R3 connector.

### Key Products on board

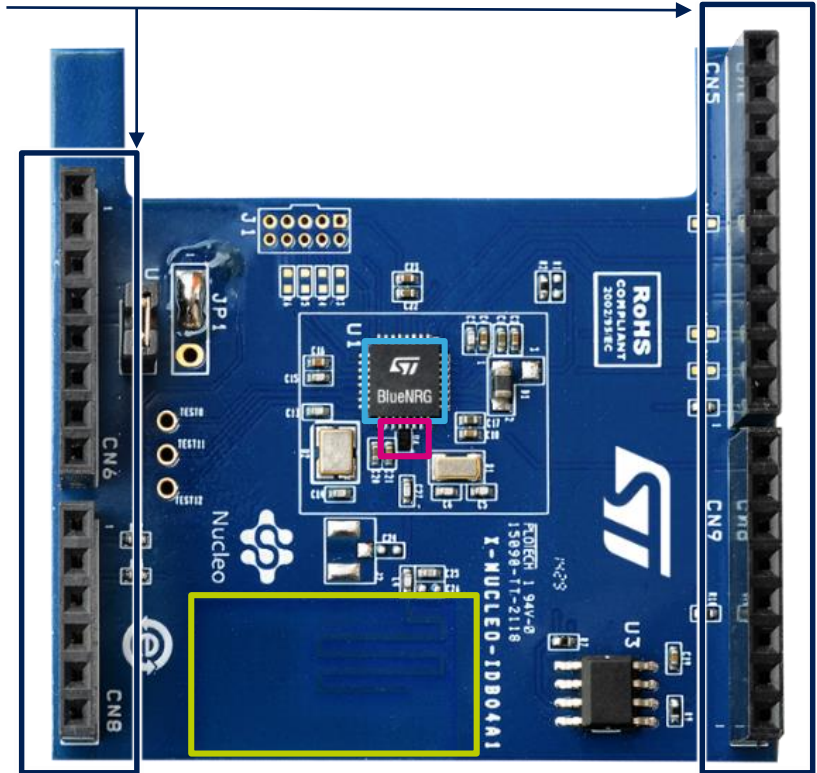
#### BlueNRG

ST Bluetooth® Low Energy wireless network processor, BLE4.0 compliant

#### BALF-NRG-01D3

50  $\Omega$  nominal input / conjugate match balun to BlueNRG transceiver, with integrated harmonic filter, insuring matching and filtering

Arduino UNO R3 connector



BlueNRG BALF-NRG-01D3 Printed Antenna

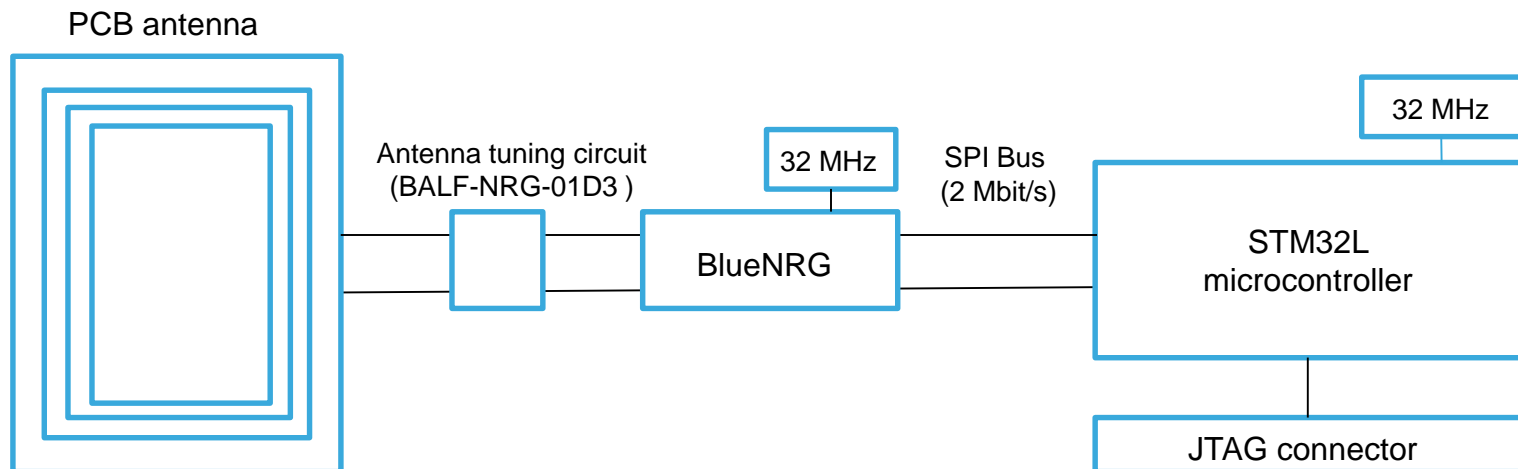
Latest info available at [www.st.com](http://www.st.com)  
**X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1**

# Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board (X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1)

## Certification

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- Due to the excellent performance of the BlueNRG and the best matching between BlueNRG and BALF-NRG-01D3, the X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1 passed the RF Test for Japan Radio Law certification with a higher margin above specification values, as well as being FCC certified (FCC ID: S9NIDB04A1)



# Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board

## Software overview

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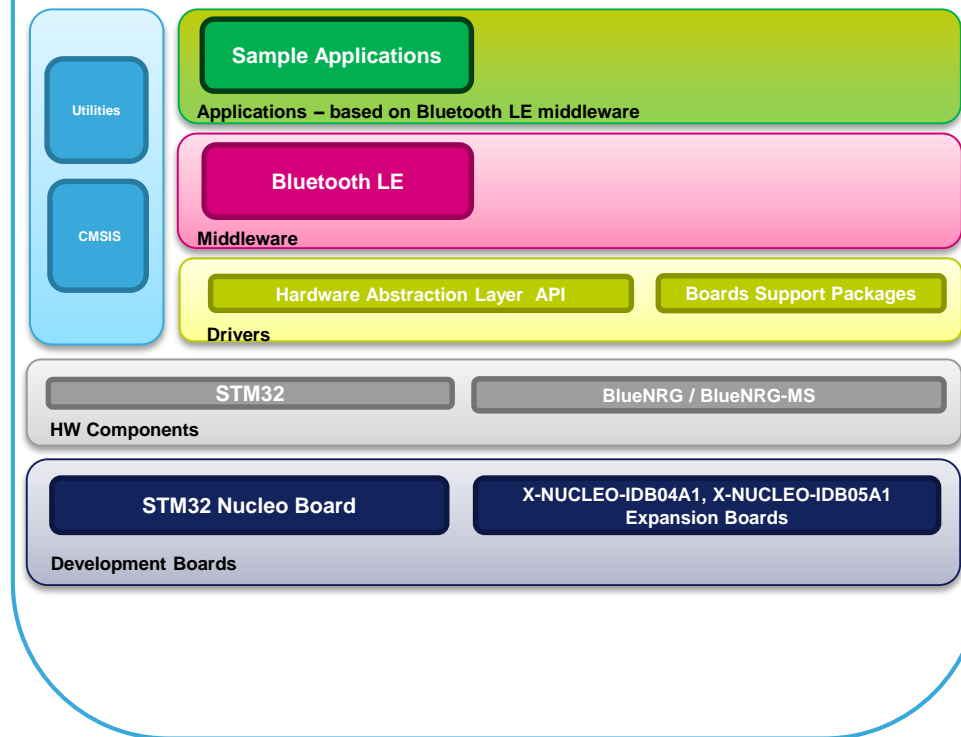
### X-CUBE-BLE1 software description

- The X-CUBE-BLE1 is a software package which provides STM32 drivers running for the BlueNRG / BlueNRG-MS Bluetooth Low Energy device. It is an STM32Cube expansion software package that eases portability across different STM32 MCU families
- Implementation examples are available for the STM32 Nucleo Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board (X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1, X-NUCLEO-IDB05A1) plugged on top of an STM32 Nucleo board (NUCLEO-L053R8, NUCLEO-L476RG, NUCLEO-F401RE or NUCLEO-F411RE)

### Key features

- Complete middleware to build applications using the BlueNRG / BlueNRG-MS network processor
- Easy portability across different MCU families thanks to the STM32Cube
- Sample applications that the developer can use to start experimenting with the code
- References to free Android and iOS app that can be used along with the sample applications
- Free, user-friendly license terms

### Overall Software Architecture



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**X-CUBE-BLE1**

# OSXSmartConnPS

## Software add-on for X-CUBE-BLE1

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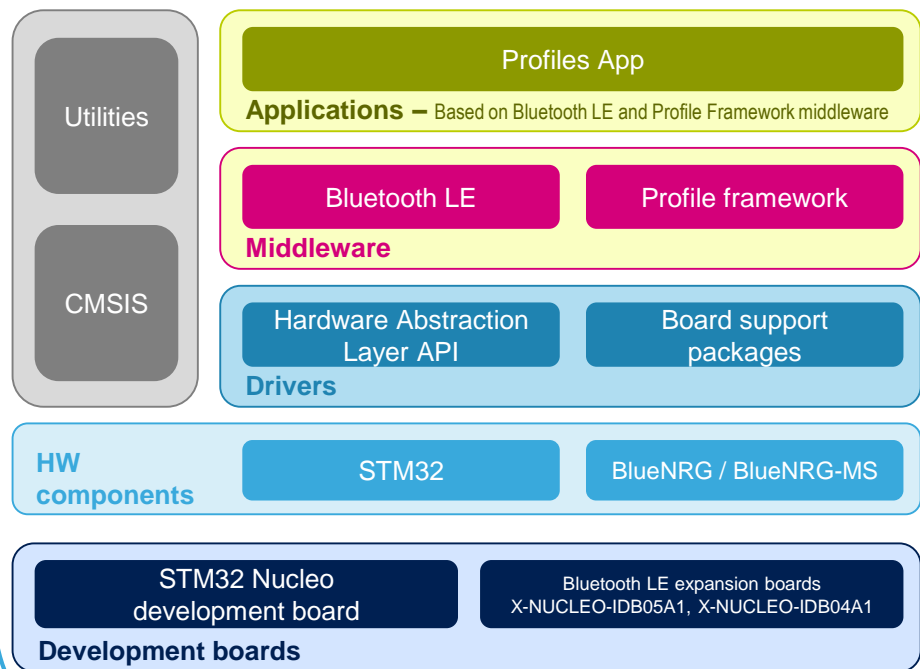
### OSXSmartConnPS software description

- OSXSmartConnPS is an add-on for the X-CUBE-BLE1 providing an implementation for Bluetooth Low Energy slave & central profiles and sample applications running on the STM32 for the BlueNRG / BlueNRG-MS Bluetooth Low Energy device
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### Key features

- Support for Bluetooth Low Energy profiles using the BlueNRG / BlueNRG-MS network processor:
  - ✓ Alert notification client, blood pressure sensor, find-me locator, find-me target, glucose sensor, health thermometer, heart rate, phone alert client, proximity monitor, proximity reporter, time client, time server.
- Low power optimization
- Examples for easier evaluation and development

### Overall Software Architecture

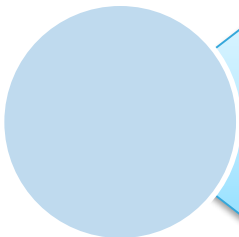


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# Setup & demo examples

## Hardware prerequisites

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- 1 x STM32 Nucleo Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board (**X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1**)
- 1 x STM32 Nucleo development board (**NUCLEO-L053R8, NUCLEO-L476RG, NUCLEO-F401RE** or **NUCLEO-F411RE**)
- 1 x BLE-enabled smartphone and associated apps



### Smartphone requirements



Android  
KitKat OS phone



iOS device  
(starting from  
iPhone 4S)

### App for Demo

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.st.bluenrg>



<https://itunes.apple.com/fr/app/bluenrg/id705873549>

### App for Hands On

Android - BLE scanner



<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.macdom.ble.blescanner>

iOS - Light Blue



<https://itunes.apple.com/fr/app/lightblue-bluetooth-low-energy/id557428110?mt=8>



# Setup & demo examples

## Software prerequisites

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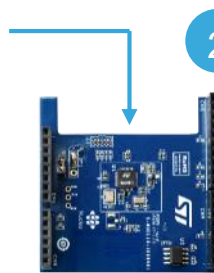
- **STSW-LINK009:** ST-LINK/V2-1 USB driver
- **STSW-LINK007:** ST-LINK/V2-1 firmware upgrade
- **X-CUBE-BLE1**
  - Copy the .zip file content into the “c:\Program Files (x86)\STMicroelectronics\” folder on your PC
  - The package contains the source code example (Keil, IAR EWARM, System Workbench for STM32) based on [NUCLEO-L053R8](#), [NUCLEO-L476RG](#), [NUCLEO-F401RE](#) or [NUCLEO-F411RE](#)
- **BlueNRG DK**
  - The package contains the BlueNRG GUI

# Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board

## Start coding in just a few minutes with X-CUBE-BLE1

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1 Go to [www.st.com/x-nucleo](http://www.st.com/x-nucleo)



2 Select  
X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1

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Download and unpack  
X-CUBE-BLE1

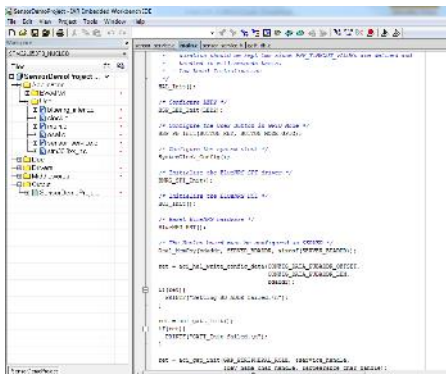
### X-CUBE-BLE1 package

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Documentation	Generic Nucleo docs & BLE porting
Drivers	BlueNRG SPI driver
Middlewares	Bluetooth LE HCI stack
Projects	Application examples
package.xml	
Release_Notes.html	

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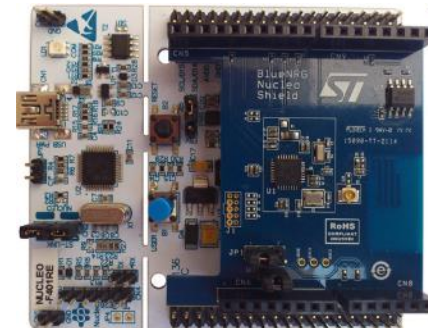
Download and install STM32  
Nucleo ST-LINK/V2-1 USB driver

6 Modify and build application



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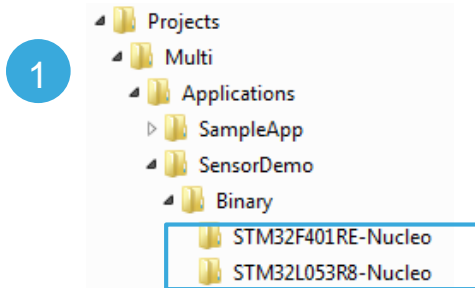
Open project example  
SensorDemo



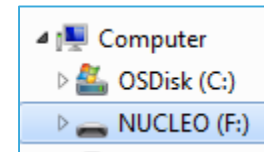
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## Evaluate using X-CUBE-BLE1 (1/2)

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From X-CUBE-BLE1  
software resource package,  
drag and drop  
SensorDemo\*.bin on Nucleo drive.



- 2 Download the ST BlueNRG application on your smartphone from Google Play or App Store.



# Bluetooth Low Energy Expansion board

## Evaluate using X-CUBE-BLE1 (2/2)

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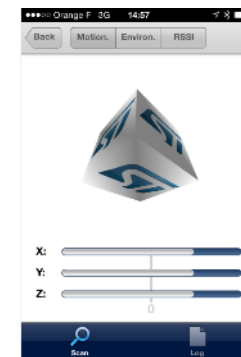
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Connect your smartphone application to the BlueNRG device and control the cube on the smartphone app.



Press the user button on STM32 Nucleo developer board to rotate the cube on the smartphone app.

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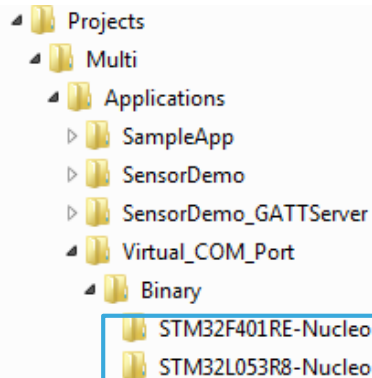


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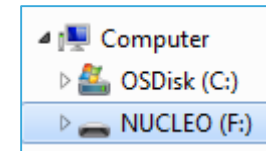
## Evaluate BlueNRG using a GUI

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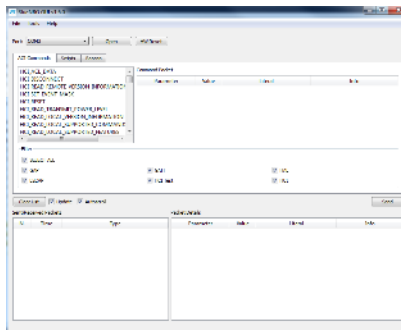
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Virtual\_COM\_Port\*.bin  
on Nucleo drive.



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Install BlueNRG GUI from existing BlueNRG development kit.

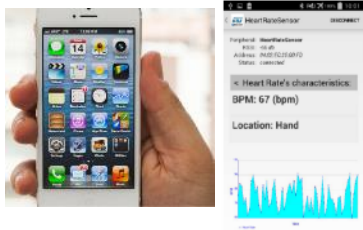
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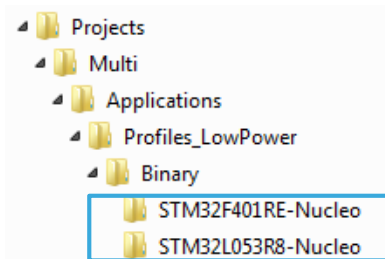
## Evaluate the BLE Standard Profiles (1/2)

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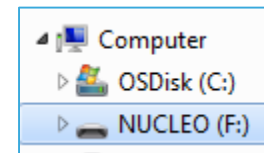


X-CUBE-BLE1 software expansion also provides different Bluetooth Low Energy standard profiles.

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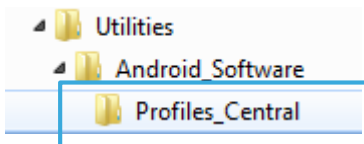


Drag and drop  
HR-Profile\*.bin  
on Nucleo drive.



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Install STM32 BLE Toolbox application on your Android smartphone.



Install  
STM32\_BLE\_Toolbox.apk  
on your smartphone.

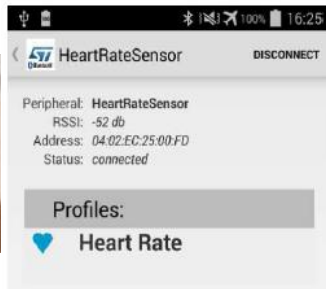


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## Evaluate the BLE Standard Profiles (2/2)

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- 3 Connect your smartphone application to the BlueNRG device and read the simulated heart rate measurements on the smartphone display.

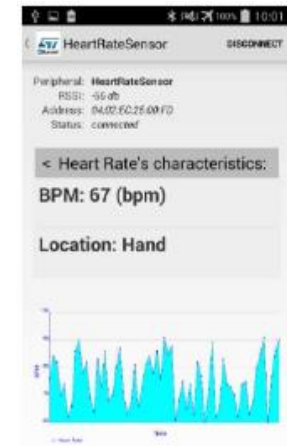


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Press **Heart Rate** on the app to start reading simulated heart rate measurements (sent from the BlueNRG device) on the phone display.

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Simulated heart rate measurements sent over the air.



# Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board

## List of profiles supported by X-CUBE-BLE1

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- Slave profiles (peripheral role):
  - Alert Notification Client
  - Blood Pressure Sensor
  - Find Me Locator
  - Find Me Target
  - Glucose Sensor
  - Health Thermometer
  - Heart Rate
  - Human Interface Device
  - Phone Alert Client
  - Proximity Monitor
  - Proximity Reporter
  - Time Client
  - Time Server
- Non Standard Slave profile (peripheral role):
  - Apple Notification Center Service
- Master profiles (central role):
  - Heart Rate Collector
  - Time Client
  - Find Me Locator
  - Blood Pressure Collector
  - Health Thermometer Collector
  - Alert Notification Client
  - Glucose Collector



All documents are available in the DESIGN tab of the related products webpage

## X-NUCLEO-IDB04A1:

- Gerber files, BOM, and schematics
- **DB2316**: Bluetooth Low Energy expansion board based on BlueNRG for STM32 Nucleo – **Data brief**
- **AN4642**: Overview of the BLE Profiles application for X-CUBE-BLE1, expansion for STM32Cube – **Application note**
- **UM1765**: Getting started with Bluetooth® low energy expansion board based on BlueNRG for STM32 Nucleo – **User Manual**

## X-CUBE-BLE1:

- **DB2461**: Bluetooth Low Energy software expansion for STM32Cube – **Data brief**
- **UM1873**: Getting started with the X-CUBE-BLE1 Bluetooth Low Energy software expansion for STM32Cube – **User Manual**
- **AN4642**: Overview of the BLE Profiles application for X-CUBE-BLE1 expansion for STM32Cube – **Application Note**

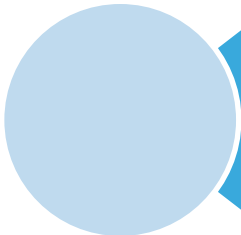
Consult [www.st.com](http://www.st.com) for the complete list

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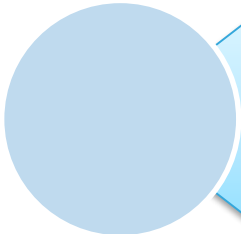
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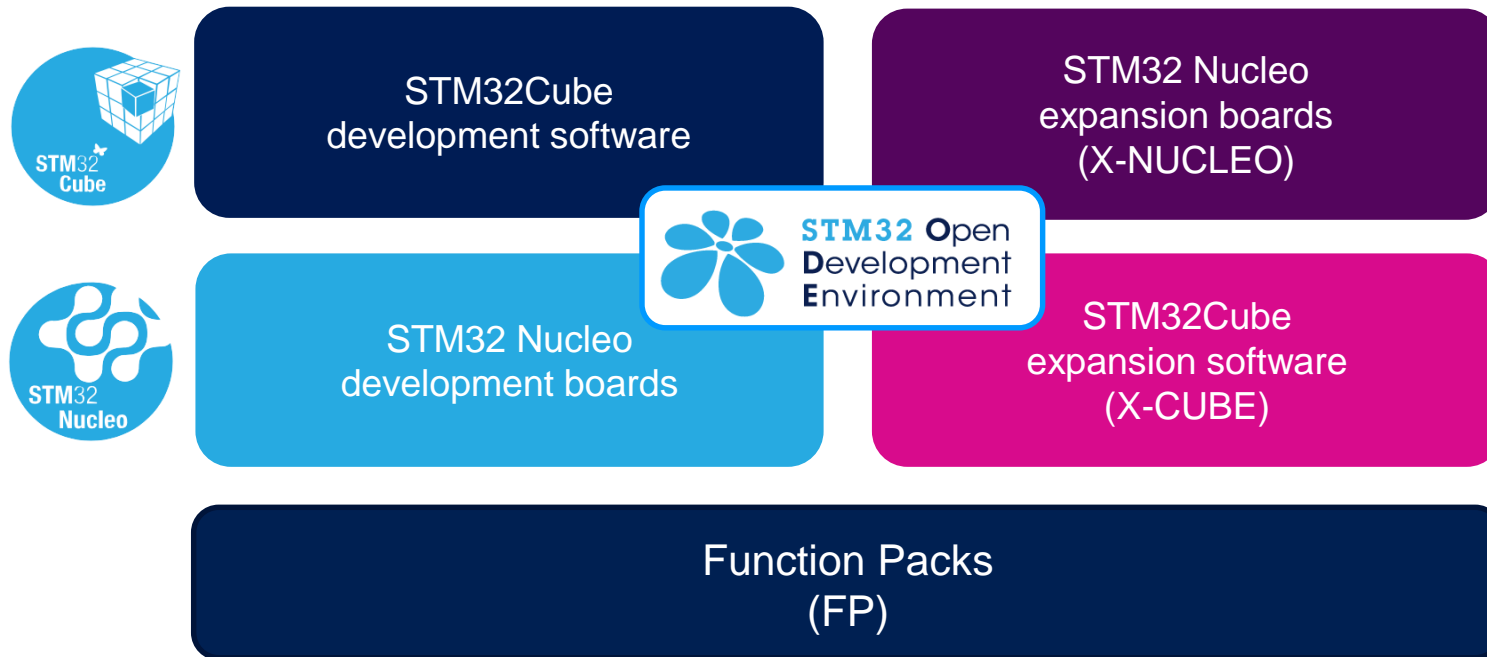
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# STM32 Open Development Environment

## Fast, affordable Prototyping and Development

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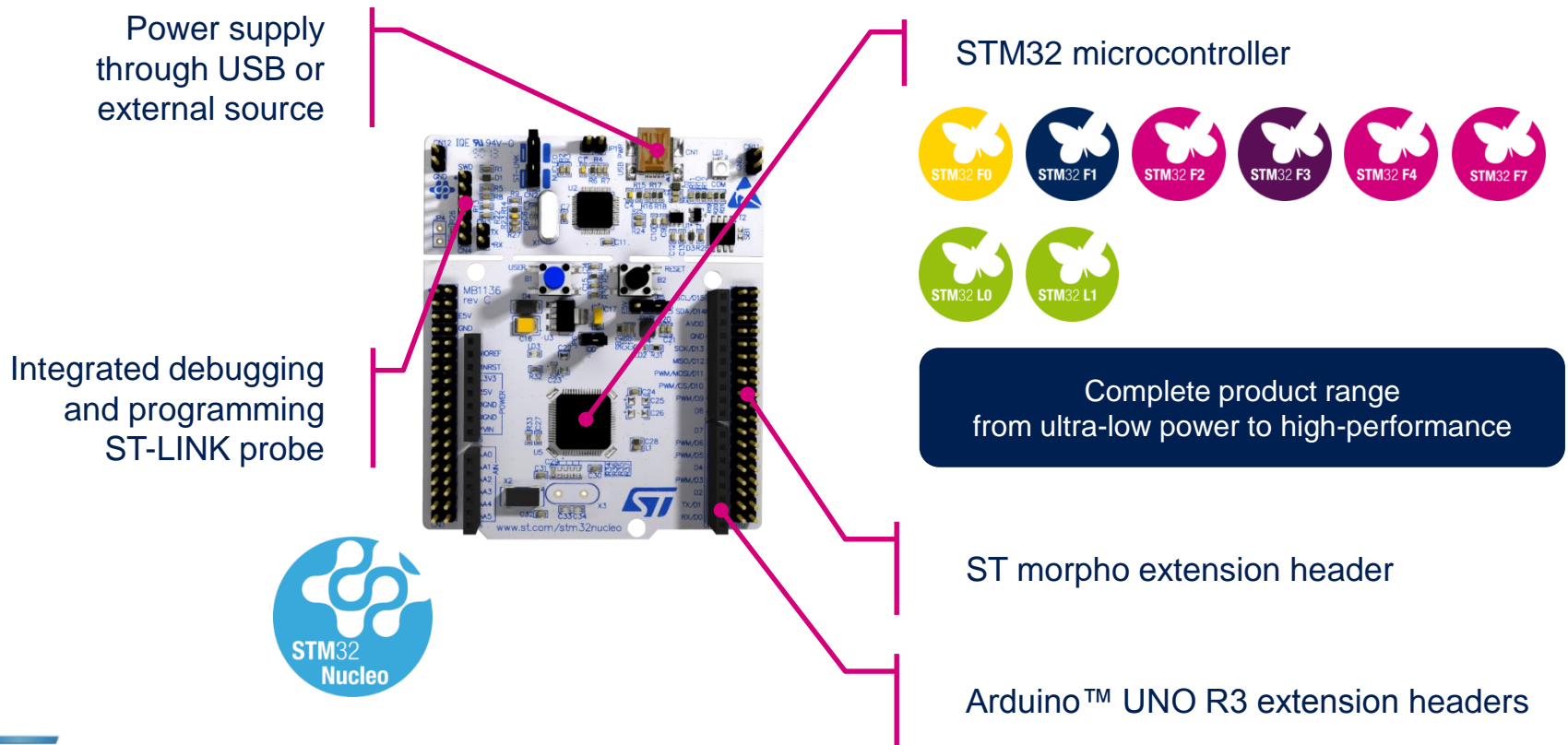
- The STM32 Open Development Environment (ODE) consists of a set of stackable boards and a modular open SW environment designed around the STM32 microcontroller family.



# STM32 Nucleo Development Boards (NUCLEO)

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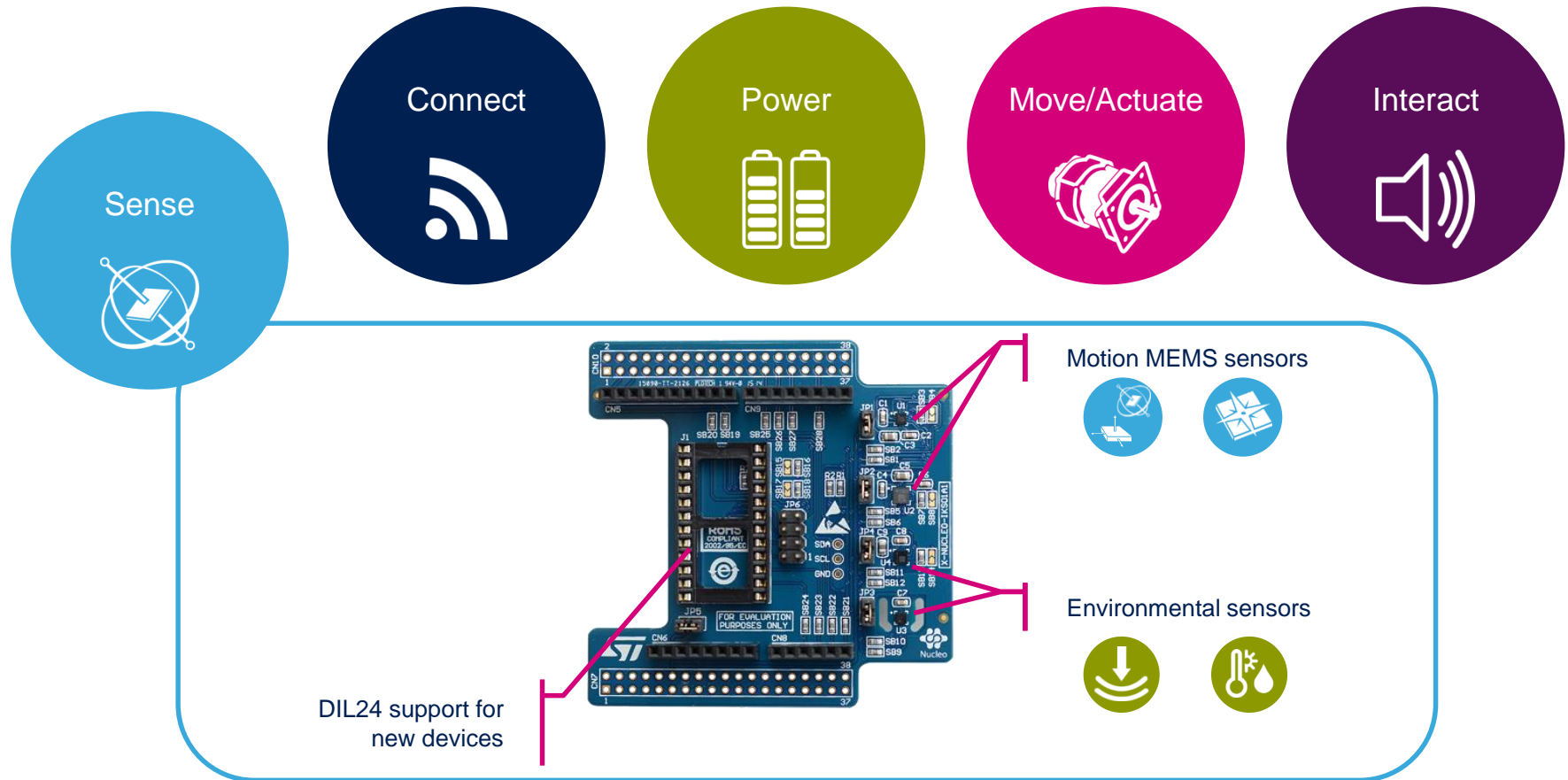
- A comprehensive range of affordable development boards for all the STM32 microcontroller series, with unlimited unified expansion capabilities and integrated debugger/programmer functionality.



# STM32 Nucleo Expansion Boards (X-NUCLEO)

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- Boards with additional functionality that can be plugged directly on top of the STM32 Nucleo development board directly or stacked on another expansion board.



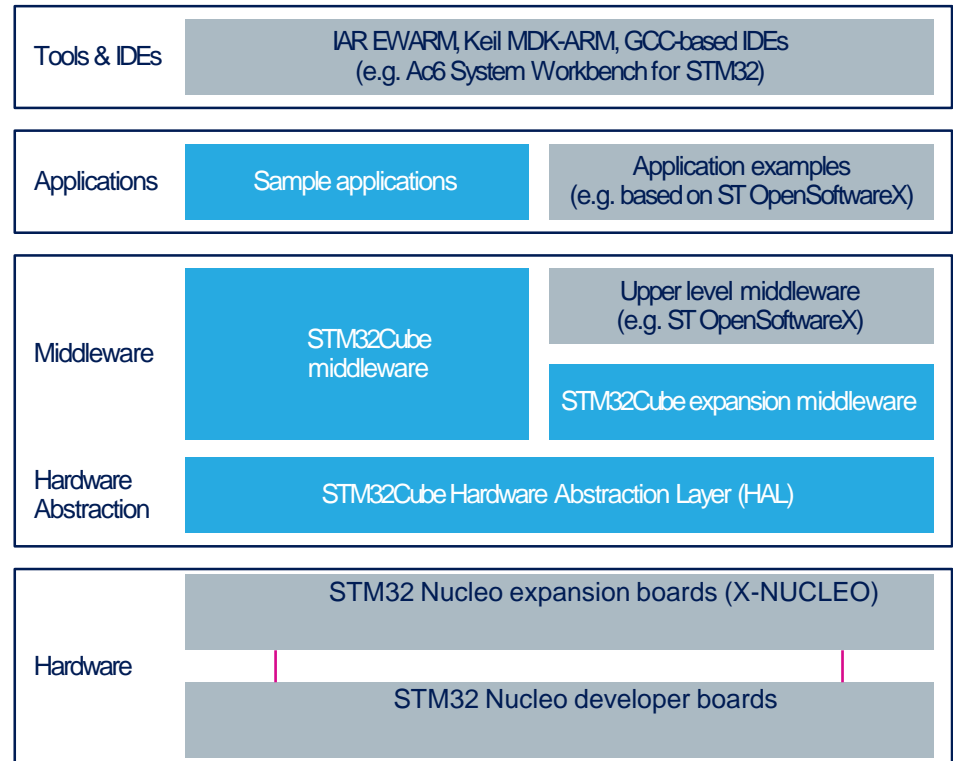
Example of STM32 expansion board (X-NUCLEO-IKS01A1)

# STM32 Open Development Environment

## Software components

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- **STM32Cube software (CUBE)** - A set of free tools and embedded software bricks to enable fast and easy development on the STM32, including a Hardware Abstraction Layer and middleware bricks.
- **STM32Cube expansion software (X-CUBE)** - Expansion software provided free for use with the STM32 Nucleo expansion board and fully compatible with the STM32Cube software framework. It provides abstracted access to expansion board functionality through high-level APIs and sample applications.



- **Compatibility with multiple Development Environments** - The STM32 Open Development Environment is compatible with a number of IDEs including IAR EWARM, Keil MDK, and GCC-based environments. Users can choose from three IDEs from leading vendors, which are free of charge and deployed in close cooperation with ST. These include Eclipse-based IDEs such as Ac6 System Workbench for STM32 and the MDK-ARM environment.

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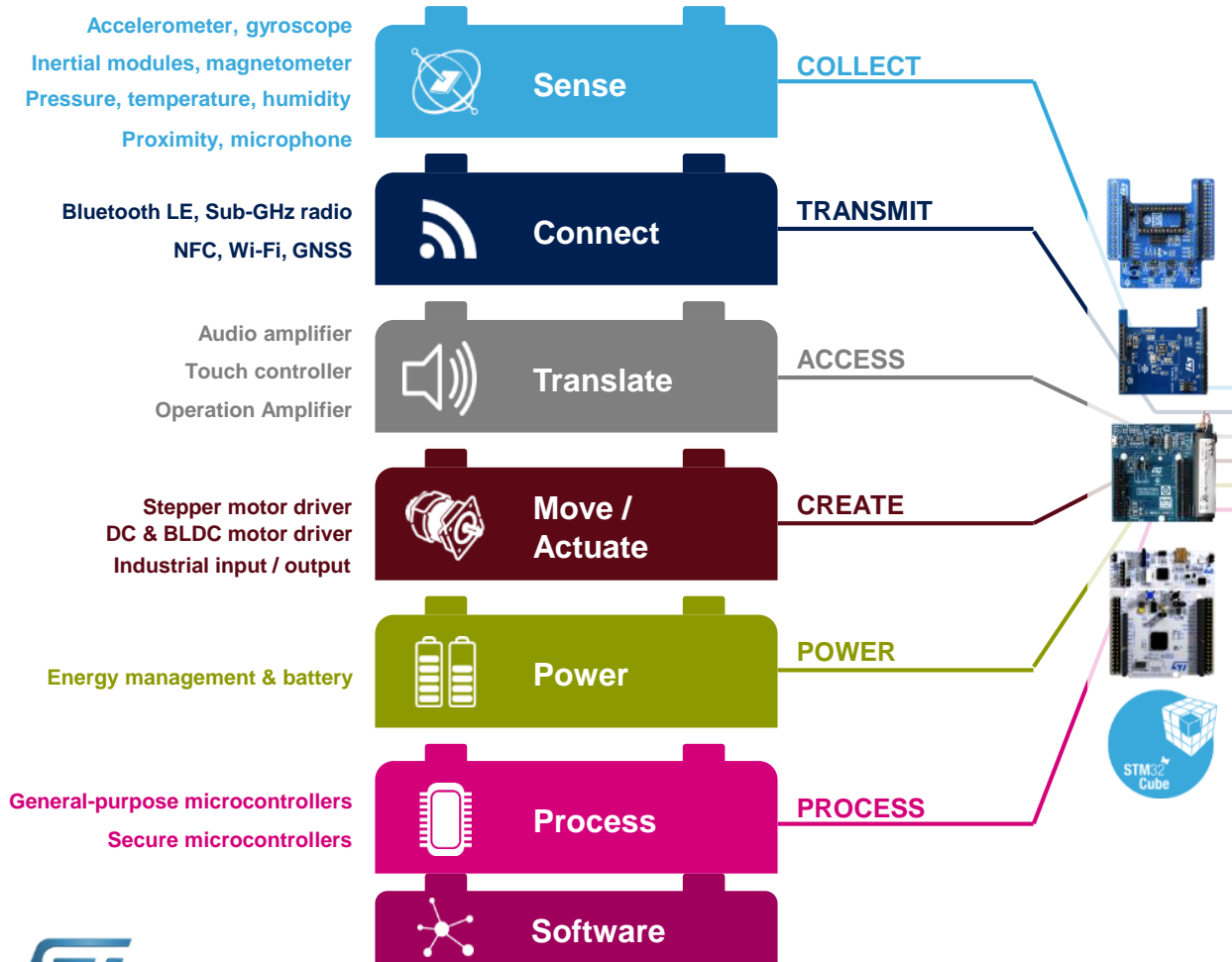
## Building block approach

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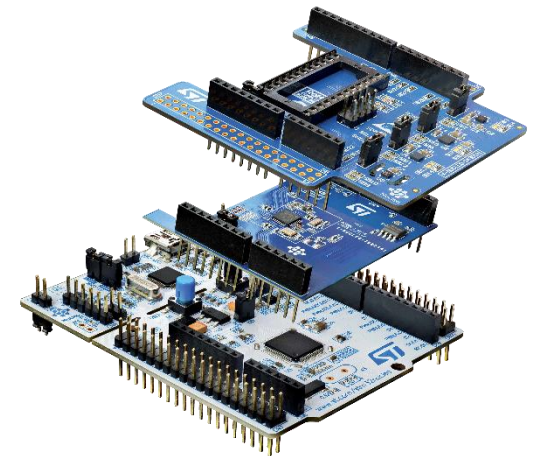
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