



Atmel QT1 Xplained Pro



Preface

Atmel[®] QT1 Xplained Pro kit is an extension board that enables evaluation of self- and mutual capacitance mode using the Peripheral Touch Controller (PTC) module. The kit shows how easy it is to design a capacitive touch board solution for the PTC without the need for any external components. The kit includes two boards, one using self capacitance (SC) and one using mutual capacitance (MC).

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1. Introduction

1.1 Features

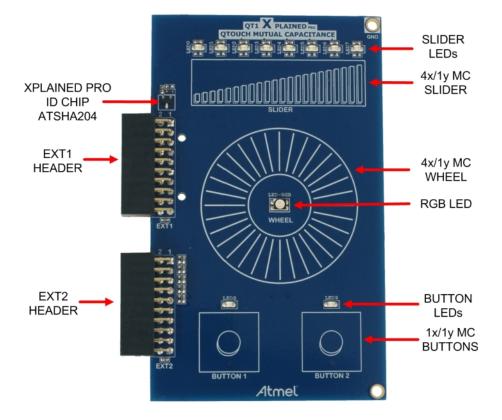
- QTouch^{®1}
 - Two buttons
 - One slider
 - One wheel
- LEDs¹
 - One LED for each button
 - · Eight LEDs for the slider
 - One RGB LED for the wheel
- Xplained Pro hardware identification system¹

1.2 Kit Overview

Atmel QT1 Xplained Pro extension kit is a set of two extension boards designed specifically for Xplained Pro MCU boards featuring a MCU with a built-in peripheral touch controller.

The extension boards can be used to explore the touch functions on the PTC module in both mutual capacitance (MC) mode and self capacitance (SC) mode.

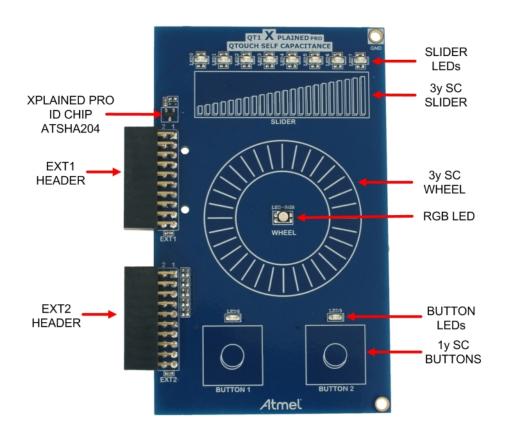
Figure 1-1. QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Board



¹Applies to both mutual capacitance and self capacitance board.



Figure 1-2. QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Board





2. Getting started

2.1 Three Steps to Start Exploring the Atmel Xplained Pro Platform

- 1. Download and install Atmel Studio.
- 2. Launch Atmel Studio.
- 3. Connect QT1 Xplained Pro to an Xplained Pro MCU board and connect a USB cable to DEBUG USB port on the Xplained Pro MCU board.

2.2 Connecting QT1 Xplained Pro to the Xplained Pro MCU board.

Atmel QT1 Xplained Pro has been designed to be connected to the header marked EXT1 and EXT2 on the Xplained Pro MCU board.

Development of touch applications will require that you download and install the Atmel QTouch Library and Atmel QTouch Composer from the extension gallery in Atmel Studio.

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) that is connected. You will be presented with relevant information like datasheets and kit documentation. You also have the option to launch Atmel Software Framework (ASF) example applications. The target device is programmed and debugged by the on-board Embedded Debugger. No external programmer or debugger tool is needed.

2.3 Design Documentation and Related Links

The following list contains links to the most relevant documents and software for QT1 Xplained Pro.

- 1. Xplained Pro products ¹ Atmel Xplained Pro is a series of small-sized and easy-to-use evaluation kits for 8- and 32-bit Atmel microcontrollers. It consists of a series of low cost MCU boards for evaluation and demonstration of features and capabilities of different MCU families.
- 2. QT1 Xplained Pro User Guide ² PDF version of this User Guide.
- 3. **QT1 Xplained Pro Design Documentation** ³ Package containing schematics, BOM, assembly drawings, 3D plots, layer plots etc.
- 4. Atmel QTouch Library 4 QTouch Library to support Atmel AVR and ARM®-based microcontrollers.
- 5. Atmel QTouch Composer ⁵ Tool for developing capacitive buttons, sliders and wheels applications.
- Atmel Studio ⁶ Free Atmel IDE for development of C/C++ and assembler code for Atmel microcontrollers.

⁶ http://www.atmel.com/atmelstudio



http://www.atmel.com/XplainedPro

http://www.atmel.com/Images/Atmel-42193-QT1-Xplained-Pro_User-Guide.pdf

³ http://www.atmel.com/lmages/Atmel-42193-QT1-Xplained-Pro_User-Guide.zip

⁴ http://www.atmel.com/tools/QTOUCHLIBRARY.aspx

http://www.atmel.com/tools/atmel_qtouch.aspx

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 mounted on a Xplained Pro MCU board. This information is used to present relevant user guides, application notes, datasheets and example code through Atmel Studio. Available Xplained Pro MCU and extension boards can be purchased in the Atmel Web Store 1.

3.1 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 board 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 3-1, "Xplained Pro ID Chip Content" on page 6 shows the data fields stored in the ID chip with example content.

Table 3-1. 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

3.2 Standard Headers and Connectors

3.2.1 Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header

All Xplained Pro kits have one or more dual row, 20-pin, 100mil extension headers. Xplained Pro MCU boards have male headers while Xplained Pro extensions have their female counterparts. Note that all pins are not always connected. However, all the connected pins follow the defined pin-out described in Table 3-2, "Xplained Pro Extension Header" on page 6. The extension headers can be used to connect a wide variety of Xplained Pro extensions to Xplained Pro MCU boards and to access the pins of the target MCU on Xplained Pro MCU board directly.

Table 3-2. Xplained Pro Extension Header

Pin number	Name	Description
1	ID	Communication line to the ID chip on 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 positive part of differential PWM.

¹ http://store.atmel.com/CBC.aspx?q=c:100113



Pin number	Name	Description
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	TWI_SDA	Data line for two-wire interface. Always implemented, bus type.
12	TWI_SCL	Clock line for two-wire interface. Always implemented, bus type.
13	USART_RX	Receiver line of Universal Synchronous and Asynchronous serial Receiver and Transmitter.
14	USART_TX	Transmitter line of Universal Synchronous and Asynchronous serial Receiver and Transmitter.
15	SPI_SS_A	Slave select for SPI. Should be unique if possible.
16	SPI_MOSI	Master out slave in line of Serial peripheral interface. Always implemented, bus type.
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.



4. Hardware User Guide

4.1 Headers and Connectors

4.1.1 QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Headers

QT1 Xplained Pro MC implements two Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header on page 6 marked with EXT1 and EXT2 in silkscreen. These headers makes it possible to connect the board to a Xplained Pro MCU board with a MCU featuring a PTC module. The pin-out definition for the extension headers can be seen in Table 4-1, "QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Header 1" on page 8 and Table 4-2, "QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Header 2" on page 8.

Table 4-1. QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Header 1

Pin on EXT	Function	Description
1	ID	Communication line to ID chip.
2	GND	Ground
3	LED_0	Slider, LED 0 (Yellow)
4	LED_1	Slider, LED 1 (Yellow)
5	Y_S	Y-line for Slider
6	Y_W	Y-line for Wheel
7	LED_2	Slider, LED 2 (Yellow)
8	LED_3	Slider, LED 3 (Yellow)
9	Y_B	Y-line for Buttons
10	Not Connected	
11	Not Connected	
12	Not Connected	
13	Not Connected	
14	Not Connected	
15	LED_4	Slider, LED 4 (Yellow)
16	LED_5	Slider, LED 5 (Yellow)
17	LED_6	Slider, LED 6 (Yellow)
18	LED_7	Slider, LED 7 (Yellow)
19	GND	Ground
20	VCC	Target supply voltage

Table 4-2. QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Header 2

Pin on EXT	Function	Description
1	Not Connected	
2	GND	Ground
3	X_1	X-line 1 (for Slider and Wheel)
4	X_2	X-line 2 (for Slider and Wheel)
5	X_3	X-line 3 (for Button 1, Slider, and Wheel)
6	X_4	X-line 4 (for Button 2, Slider, and Wheel)
7	LED_8	Button 1, LED 8 (Yellow)
8	LED_9	Button 2, LED 9 (Yellow)
9	LED_R	Wheel, RGB LED (Red)
10	LED_G	Wheel, RGB LED (Green)
11	Not Connected	
12	Not Connected	



Pin on EXT	Function	Description
13	Not Connected	
14	Not Connected	
15	LED_B	Wheel, RGB LED (Blue)
16	Not Connected	
17	Not Connected	
18	Not Connected	
19	GND	Ground
20	VCC	Target supply voltage

4.1.2 QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Headers

QT1 Xplained Pro SC implements two Xplained Pro Standard Extension Header on page 6 marked with EXT1 and EXT2 in silkscreen. These headers makes it possible to connect the board to a Xplained Pro MCU board with a MCU featuring a PTC module. The pin-out definition for the extension headers can be seen in Table 4-3, "QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Header 1" on page 9 and Table 4-4, "QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Header 2" on page 9.

Table 4-3. QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Header 1

Pin on EXT	Function	Description
1	ID	Communication line to ID chip.
2	GND	Ground
3	Y_1	Y-line 1 for Slider
4	Y_2	Y-line 2 for Slider
5	Y_3	Y-line 3 for Slider
6	Y_4	Y-line 4 for Wheel
7	LED_0	Slider, LED 0 (Yellow)
8	LED_1	Slider, LED 1 (Yellow)
9	Y_5	Y-line 5 for Wheel
10	Y_6	Y-line 6 for Wheel
11	Not Connected	
12	Not Connected	
13	Not Connected	
14	Not Connected	
15	LED_2	Slider, LED 2 (Yellow)
16	Y_7	Y-line 7 for Button 2
17	LED_3	Slider, LED 3 (Yellow)
18	Y_8	Y-line 8 for Button 1
19	GND	Ground
20	VCC	Target supply voltage

Table 4-4. QT1 Xplained Pro SC Extension Header 2

Pin on EXT	Function	Description
1	Not Connected	
2	GND	Ground
3	LED_4	Slider, LED 4 (Yellow)
4	LED_5	Slider, LED 5 (Yellow)
5	LED_6	Slider, LED 6 (Yellow)
6	LED_7	Slider, LED 7 (Yellow)



Pin on EXT	Function	Description
7	LED_8	Button 1, LED 8 (Yellow)
8	LED_9	Button 2, LED 9 (Yellow)
9	LED_R	Wheel, RGB LED (Red)
10	LED_G	Wheel, RGB LED (Green)
11	Not Connected	
12	Not Connected	
13	Not Connected	
14	Not Connected	
15	LED_B	Wheel, RGB LED (Blue)
16	Not Connected	
17	Not Connected	
18	Not Connected	
19	GND	Ground
20	VCC	Target supply voltage

4.1.3 Peripherals

4.1.3.1 LEDs

There are 13 (10 yellow and 1 RGB) LEDs available on each of the QT1 Xplained Pro extension boards that can be used to visualize the behavior of the touch sensors. Each sensor has it's own set of LEDs. The slider has eight yellow LEDs, the buttons have one yellow LED each, and the wheel has a RGB LED. All LED's on the boards are active low, which mean that the microcontroller need to sink the corresponding IO lines to activate the LEDs.

4.1.3.2 Touch Sensors

QT1 Xplained Pro have four touch sensors that can be used: One slider, one wheel, and two buttons. The sensor design on the Mutual Capacitance board and the Self Capacitance board are a bit different due to the method used for the touch sensing. For mutual capacitance, both X- and Y-lines from the microcontroller are used to sense the capacitance between the X and Y sensors. The sensors are placed on top of each other on the inner layers of the PCB. Self capacitance use only Y-lines from the microcontroller and only one layer is used to place the sensor in the PCB. In this case, the self capacitance of the sensor is measured to calculate touch.

Note

This kit is only supported by Xplained Pro MCU boards that have a MCU with a built-in PTC and a matching pin out that connects all sensors of the extension. Currently supported MCU boards are *SAM D20 Xplained Pro* and *SAM D21 Xplained Pro*.



5. Hardware Revision History and Known Issues

5.1 Identifying Product ID and Revision

The revision and product identifier 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 identifier and *rr* is the revision. Boards with limited space have a sticker with only a QR-code which contains a serial number string.

The serial number string has the following format:

"nnnnrrsssssssss"
n = product identifier
r = revision
s = serial number

The kit identifier for QT1 Xplained Pro is 2059 and 2061.

5.2 Revision 3

Revision 3 of QT1 Xplained Pro MC (2059) is the initial released version, there are no known issues. Revision 3 of QT1 Xplained Pro SC (2061) is the initial released version, there are no known issues. **Known issues**

 Read the user guide for the supported kits or the datasheet of the devices for any known issues regarding the peripheral touch controller.



Document Revision History 6.

Document revision	Date	Comment
42193C	02/2014	Updated Table 4-2, "QT1 Xplained Pro MC Extension Header 2" on page 8 and "Touch Sensors" on page 10.
42193B	10/2013	Updated "Hardware Revision History and Known Issues" on page 11.
42193A	10/2013	First release



7. Evaluation Board/Kit Important Notice

This evaluation board/kit is intended for use for **FURTHER ENGINEERING, DEVELOPMENT**, **DEMONSTRATION, OR EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY**. It is not a finished product and may not (yet) comply with some or any technical or legal requirements that are applicable to finished products, including, without limitation, directives regarding electromagnetic compatibility, recycling (WEEE), FCC, CE or UL (except as may be otherwise noted on the board/kit). Atmel supplied this board/kit "AS IS," without any warranties, with all faults, at the buyer's and further users' sole risk. The user assumes all responsibility and liability for proper and safe handling of the goods. Further, the user indemnifies Atmel from all claims arising from the handling or use of the goods. Due to the open construction of the product, it is the user's responsibility to take any and all appropriate precautions with regard to electrostatic discharge and any other technical or legal concerns.

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