



# Demonstration firmware for NUCLEO-F401RE enabling STSW-IFAPGUI on X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 and X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1 expansion boards



#### **Features**

- Full control of the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 and X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1 expansion boards via the STSW-IFAPGUI graphical user interface
- Control of
  - output channel switching frequency and duty cycle configuration
  - visualization of diagnostic signals (power good and common overtemperature / communication error diagnostics)
  - both Regular Mode and Daisy Chain Mode management

### **Description**

The STSW-OUT12F4 firmware runs on the NUCLEO-F401RE development board and allows controlling the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1 expansion boards using the STSW-IFAPGUI graphical user interface.

The STSW-OUT12F4 contains the software routines that enable the USB-based communication between the NUCLEO-F401RE and the system where the STSW-IFAPGUI runs, and the control of the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1.

The firmware can control a single expansion board or two stacked X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1) configured in parallel independent or daisy chaining mode.

The STSW-IFAPGUI is based on a common engine and several plug-ins designed to communicate through the USB connection with the application layer running on the NUCLEO-F401RE development board stacked with the expansion board.

Product summary		
Demonstration firmware for NUCLEO-F401RE enabling STSW-IFAPGUI on X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 and X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1 expansion boards	STSW- OUT12F4	
Industrial digital output expansion board based on ISO808A for STM32 Nucleo	X-NUCLEO- OUT12A1	
Industrial digital output expansion board based on ISO808A-1 for STM32 Nucleo		
STM32 Nucleo-64 development board with STM32F401RE MCU  NUCLEO- F401RE		
Graphical user interface for the industrial IPS and IO-Link transceiver evaluation boards based on STM32 Nucleo		
Applications	Industrial Safety Industrial Tools	



## Control of the expansion board (single or dual) by IFAPGUI

#### 1.1 System identification

- Step 1. Stack the expansion system (single X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1/X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1, or combined as parallel independent / daisy chain) through the Arduino connectors on the NUCLEO-F401RE board flashed with the STSW-OUT12F4 firmware.
- Step 2. Connect the complete system (expansion + Nucleo) to your PC or laptop USB port through a mini-USB cable

The STM32 is supplied via USB (3.3 V) and the flashed firmware starts running. Press the black button on the NUCLEO-F401RE board to reset the firmware.

Step 3. Launch the STSW-IFAPGUI.

When the application starts, the firmware running on the STM32 is automatically detected and a COM port is opened for communication.

STSW-IFAPGUI

Auto detect FW/ version

Device: 808
Port: COMS6

Figure 1. STSW-IFAPGUI COM port opened

Step 4. Click on the GUI STM32 Nucleo icon after it turns blue (it remains green until the firmware identification is complete).

A popup window appears to choose the proper system configuration.



Figure 2. System configuration selection panel

Ignore option [1] (specifically dedicated to ISO808 family driven by parallel interface, instead of SPI interface) and select option [2] (for Single or Parallel Independent) or [3] (Daisy Chaining) according to your system configuration.

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## 1.2 Regular mode (Parallel Independent)

This mode allows the control of a single expansion board or the control of two stacked expansion boards but not configured in daisy chaining.

Step 1. Select [2] PARALLEL INDEPENDENT MODE and the STSW-IFAPGUI appears on the screen.

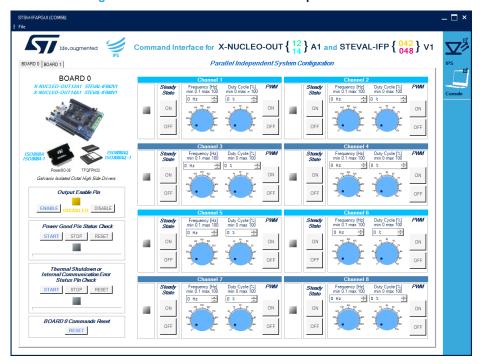


Figure 3. STSW-IFAPGUI main control panel BOARD 0

If present in your configuration, the second board panel is enabled (see next figure).

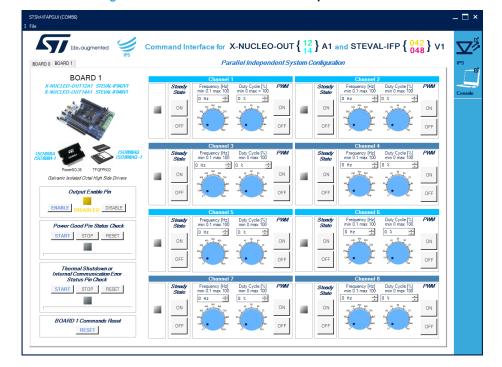


Figure 4. STSW-IFAPGUI main control panel BOARD 1

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- Step 2. If more than one board is present in your system, you can select the proper board to send the commands to: use the tab BOARD 0 | BOARD 1 in the top left side of the GUI to select the board. Then use the dedicated section of the GUI for the desired channel of ISO808A (or ISO808A-1) to:
  - manage channel steady state (the left part in each channel section)
  - manage channel PWM settings (the right part in each channel section)

Use the bottom left side of the GUI to:

- enable/disable outputs, properly setting the Output Enable pin
- enable/disable and reset diagnostic pin and Power Good polling activities
- reset all channel features to OFF state for the selected board
- Step 3. Connect the load and supply the power stage of the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1) with a 24 V rail via the CN1 connector.
- Step 4. Select the desired switching frequency and duty cycle of the desired output channel through the [Pulse Width Modulation] controls in the right part of desired channel section.
- Step 5. The desired output channel steady state can be activated/deactivated by clicking on the [ON/OFF] buttons in the left part of the desired channel section in the [STEADY STATE] sub-section.
- Step 6. Click on the [START] button in the [Thermal shutdown or Internal Communication Error Status Pin Check] area on the bottom left side of the GUI to monitor the on/off status on the FAULT pin on ISO808A (or ISO808A-1).
  - You can stop monitoring the fault status by clicking on the [STOP] button in the same section. Press the [RESET] button to reset the fault status.
- Step 7. Click on [Enable] button in Output Enable Pin section to drive the output pins. Click on [Disable] in the same section to turn off all output pins.
- Step 8. Click on [RESET] button in Command Reset section to reset any channel setting and also the diagnostic pins status monitoring.

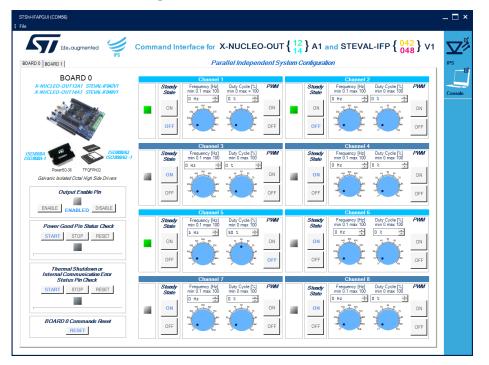


Figure 5. STSW-IFAPGUI in action

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#### 1.3 Daisy Chain mode

This mode is specifically designed for the system configuration with two stacked expansion boards configured in daisy chain.

Step 1. Select [3] DAISY CHAIN MODE and the STSW-IFAPGUI appears on the screen.

Figure 6. STSW-IFAPGUI main control panel Daisy Chain BOARD 0

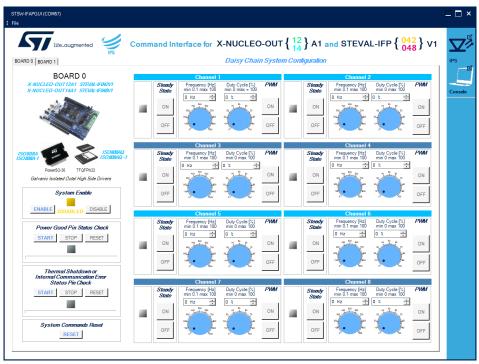
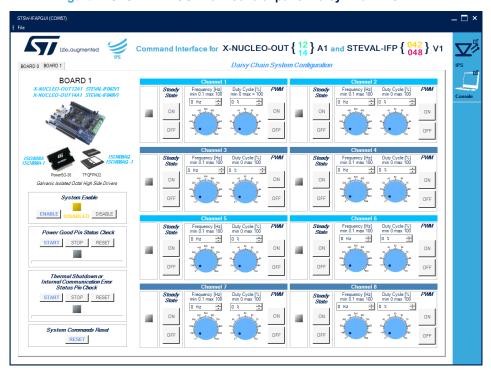


Figure 7. STSW-IFAPGUI main control panel Daisy Chain BOARD 1



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Step 2. In Daisy Chain the system must be composed of two boards: you can select the proper board, whose status you want to change, using the tab BOARD 0 | BOARD 1 in the top left side of the GUI.

Note:

output stage is 16-bit wide, so any change in input state must be sent to the system with a 2-bytes SPI write operation.

After selecting the board to modify, use the dedicated section of the GUI for the desired channel of ISO808A (or ISO808A-1) to:

- manage channel steady state (the left part in each channel section)
- manage channel PWM settings (the right part in each channel section)

Use the bottom left side of the GUI to:

- enable/disable outputs, properly setting the Output Enable pin (common for the two boards)
- enable/disable and reset diagnostic pin and Power Good polling activities
- reset all channel features to OFF state for the whole system
- Step 3. Connect the load and supply the power stage of the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1) with a 24 V rail via the CN1 connector.
- Step 4. Select the desired switching frequency and duty cycle of the desired output channel through the [Pulse Width Modulation] controls in the right part of desired channel section
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- Step 6. Click on the [START] button in [Thermal shutdown or Internal Communication Error Status Pin Check] area in the bottom left side of the GUI to monitor the on/off status on the FAULT pin on ISO808A (or ISO808A-1). You can stop monitoring the fault status by clicking on the [STOP] button in the same section. Press [RESET] button to reset the fault status.
- Step 7. Click on [Enable] button in Output Enable Pin section to drive the output pins. Click on [Disable] in the same section to turn off all output pins
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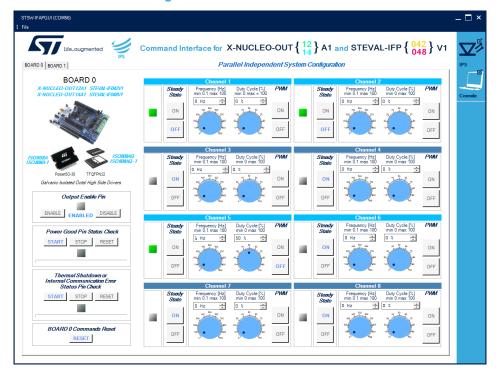


Figure 8. STSW-IFAPGUI in action

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## Control of the expansion board (single or dual) by command line

There are three application scenarios, respectively based on:

- One board with the default on-board switches and resistors configuration of X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1)
- Two boards X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1) configured in Regular mode (parallel independent boards)
- Two boards X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 (or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1) configured in Daisy Chain mode
- Step 1. Plug the X-NUCLEO-OUT12A1 or X-NUCLEO-OUT14A1 expansion board(s) on top of the NUCLEO-F401RE board, flashed with the STSW-OUT12F4 firmware, through the Arduino connectors.
- Step 2. Connect the stacked boards to your PC or laptop USB port through a mini-USB cable. The STM32 is supplied via USB (3.3 V) and the flashed firmware starts running.
  Press the black button on the NUCLEO-F401RE board to reset the firmware.
- Step 3. Launch the serial communication terminal application (TeraTerm in our notes). When the application starts, the serial communication must be configured as follows:

Figure 9. Tera Term: select serial communication method

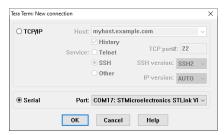
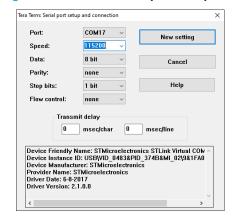


Figure 10. Tera Term: Setup / Terminal...



Figure 11. Tera Term: Setup / Serial port...



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#### Step 4. Press Enter and then type 'h' for help:

Figure 12. CLI help

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COM17-TeraTermVT

File Edit Setup Control Window Help

SI Switch Console Firmware U01.00.00 [Mar 10 2023 14:21:23] for chip 808 type 'h' to get some help

Melcome to SI Switch Console help utility!

You're running firmware SI Switch Console Firmware U01.00.00 [Mar 10 2023 14:21:23] for chip 808

Two Apis are implemented in this version:

- The Switch Api

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To execute a switch command, type 'W' followed by a command id and then parami parama parama parama for a parameters

e.g. type 'W0 0 808 1 1' to initialise one 808 device in Parallel independent mode e.g. type 'W0 9 808 1 2' to initialise one 808 device in Daisy chain mode

To execute a system command, type 'S' followed by a command id and then parami parama parama parama parama and in the parama parama parama for the some solution of the sum o
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Step 5. Type 'w?' for a list of commands available:

Figure 13. Command list

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ST Switch Console Firmware U01.00.00 [Mar 10 2023 14:21:23] for chip 808 type 'h' to get some helu
 witch API commands list:
d: 0 IPS_SWITCH_API_INIT
0 Instance(1B) Chipld(2B) NbDevices(1B) opMode(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
 d: 1 IPS_SWITCH_API_DEINIT
:1 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
   : 2 IPS_SWITCH_API_READ_ID
Instance(1B) -> Output: status(6B)
 d: 3 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_FW_UERSION
/3 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(8B)
 d: 4 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_CAPABILITIES
/4 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(5B)
 d: 6 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_CHANNEL_STATUS
% Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) -> Output: status(5B)
 d: 7 IPS_SWITCH_API_SET_CHANNEL_STATUS
v7 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) ChanStatus(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
 d: 8 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_ALL_CHANNEL_STATUS
8 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(5B)
 d: 9 IPS_SWITCH_API_SET_ALL_CHANNEL_STATUS
v9 Instance(1B) ChanBitmap(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
Id: 10 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_CHANNEL_FREQ
w10 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) -> Output: status(6B)
Id: 11 IPS_SWITCH_API_SET_CHANNEL_FREQ
v11 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) Freq(2B) -> Output: status(4B)
ld: 12 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_CHANNEL_DC
v12 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) -> Output: status(5B)
Id: 13 IPS_SWITCH_API_SET_CHANNEL_DC
w13 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) DutyCycle(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
 d: 14 IPS_SWITCH_API_GET_PWM_ENABLE
v14 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) -> Output: status(5B)
 d: 15 IPS_SVITCH_API_SET_PWM_ENABLE
v15 Instance(1B) ChanId(1B) PwmEnable(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
ld: 22 IPS_SWITCH_API_QUEUEALLCHANNELSTATUS
w22 Instance(1B) ChanBitmap(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
Id: 23 IPS_SWITCH_API_SENDQUEUEDCHANNELSTATUS
w23 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(4B)
Id: 24 IPS_SWITCH_API_GETFAULTREGISTER_DAISYCHAIN
w24 Instance(1B) -> Output: status(6B)
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Step 6. Initialize the device as first action using **w0** command, in Regular mode or in Daisy Chain mode, according with current hardware configuration:

Figure 14. Device init in Regular mode

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COM17-Tera Term VT

File Edit Setup Control Window Help

ST Switch Console Firmware U01.00.00 [Mar 10 2023 14:21:23] for chip 808 type in to get some help w0 808 1 1
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Figure 15. Device init in Daisy Chain mode

Step 7. Continue to interact with the device using commands from the available command list (see above).

Note:

- Commands ID 7, 9 and 20 are available only in Regular mode
- Commands ID 21, 22, 23 and 24 are available only in Daisy Chain mode

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# **Revision history**

Table 1. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
08-May-2023	1	Initial release.

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