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# Power MUX 2 Click





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**Power MUX 2 Click** is a compact add-on board that contains a highly configurable power mux. This board features the TPS2121, a dual-input single-output power multiplexer with an automatic switchover feature from Texas Instruments. This Click board<sup>™</sup> prioritizes the main supply when present and quickly switches to auxiliary supply when the main supply drops. During switchover, the voltage drop is controlled to block reverse current before it happens and provide uninterrupted power to the load with minimal hold-up capacitance. This Click board<sup>™</sup> is suitable for applications as a backup and standby power, input source selection, and various systems having multiple power sources.

Power MUX 2 Click is supported by a <u>mikroSDK</u> compliant library, which includes functions that simplify software development. This <u>Click board</u><sup>m</sup> comes as a fully tested product, ready to be used on a system equipped with the <u>mikroBUS</u><sup>m</sup> socket.

## How does it work?

Power MUX 2 Click as its foundation uses the TPS2121, a highly configurable power mux with an automatic switchover feature from Texas Instruments. This dual-input single-output power multiplexer prioritizes the main supply of 12V when present and quickly switches to an auxiliary supply of 5 V when the main supply drops. A priority voltage supervisor is used to select an input source. During switchover, the voltage drop is controlled to block reverse current before it happens and provide uninterrupted power to the load with minimal hold-up capacitance.

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If one of the input power supplies were to fail, the system needs to automatically switchover to a backup power source without interrupting regular operation. When the 12V supply on IN1 drops below 7.6V, the device will automatically switch to the 5V auxiliary supply on IN2. When the 12V supply returns, it will become the output supply again. Furthermore, the voltage drop on the output should be minimal, providing the output with uninterrupted redundant power.

The Power MUX 2 Click communicates with MCU through the 3-Wire SPI serial interface using the <u>TPL0501</u>, an onboard 256-taps digital potentiometer from Texas Instruments. This way, the TPL0501 serves a current limiter that adjusts the output current of the TPS2121 instead of an external resistor. Current limiting can be used during Startup and switchover to protect against overcurrent events and protect the device during regular operation.

As an additional feature, this Click board<sup>™</sup> also has two red LED indicators labeled as IN1 and IN2, which visually indicate to the user the fact which one of the two power supplies, IN1 or IN2, is located on the output more precisely on the output connector of the Click board, labeled as OUT.

This Click board<sup>™</sup> can operate with both 3.3V and 5V logic voltage levels selected via the VCC SEL jumper. This way, it is allowed for both 3.3V and 5V capable MCUs to properly use the SPI communication lines. However, the Click board<sup>™</sup> comes equipped with a library containing easy-to-use functions and an example code that can be used, as a reference, for further development.

Туре	Power Switch			
Applications	Can be used for applications as a backup and standby power, input source selection, and various systems having multiple power sources.			
On-board modules	TPS2121 - highly configurable power mux with an automatic switchover feature from Texas Instruments TPL0501 - 256-taps digital potentiometer from Texas Instruments			
Key Features	Low power consumption, automatic switchover, output current limit, uninterrupted			
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	power solution, and more.
Interface	SPI
Feature	No ClickID
Compatibility	mikroBUS™
Click board size	M (42.9 x 25.4 mm)
Input Voltage	3.3V or 5V,External

## **Pinout diagram**

This table shows how the pinout on Power MUX 2 Click corresponds to the pinout on the mikroBUS<sup>m</sup> socket (the latter shown in the two middle columns).

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

## **Onboard settings and indicators**

Label	Name	Default	Description	
LD1	PWR	-	Power LED Indicator	
LD3	IN1	-	Primary Power Switch LED Indicator	
LD2	IN2	-	Secondary Power Switch LED Indicator	
JP1	VCC SEL	Left	Logic Level Voltage Selection 3V3/5V: Left position 3V3, Right position 5V	

## **Power MUX 2 Click electrical specifications**

Description	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage VCC	3.3	-	5	V
Supply Voltage IN1	7.6	-	12	V
Supply Voltage IN2	-	5	-	V
Output Voltage OUT	5	-	12	V
Output Current Limit	1	-	4	A
Current Limit Resistance	18	-	100	kΩ
Operating Temperature Range	-40	+25	+85	°C

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We provide a library for the PowerMux2 Click as well as a demo application (example), developed using MikroElektronika compilers. The demo can run on all the main MikroElektronika development boards.

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

#### **Library Description**

This library contains API for PowerMux2 Click driver.

Key functions:

- powermux2 cfg setup Config Object Initialization function.
- powermux2 init Initialization function.
- powermux2 default cfg Click Default Configuration function.

#### **Examples description**

This library contains API for the Power MUX 2 Click driver. The Power MUX 2 operates in automatic switchover mode with a priority prioritizing supply 1 when present and quickly switches to supply 2 when supply 1 drops below approximately 6V.

The application is composed of three sections :

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

Other mikroE Libraries used in the example:

- MikroSDK.Board
- MikroSDK.Log
- Click.PowerMux2

#### Additional notes and informations

Depending on the development board you are using, you may need USB UART click, USB UART 2 click or RS232 click to connect to your PC, for development systems with no UART to USB interface available on the board. The terminal available in all MikroElektronika compilers, or any other terminal application of your choice, can be used to read the message.

## mikroSDK

This Click board<sup>™</sup> is supported with mikroSDK - MikroElektronika Software Development Kit. To ensure proper operation of mikroSDK compliant Click board<sup>™</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

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Power MUX 2 click schematic

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