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**AN2232-02 Bit Mode Functions for  
the FT2232**

# 1 Bit Mode Functions For the FT2232

## 1.1 Overview

The D2XX functions [FT\\_SetBitMode](#)<sup>[3]</sup> and [FT\\_GetBitMode](#)<sup>[5]</sup> are used to enable several device IO modes for the FT2232. This document describes these functions in terms of the FT2232 and provides some examples.

## 1.2 FT\_SetBitMode

Set the device IO bit mode.

FT\_STATUS **FT\_SetBitMode** (FT\_HANDLE *ftHandle*, UCHAR *ucMask*, UCHAR *ucMode*)

### Parameters

*ftHandle*

Handle of the device.

*ucMask*

Required value for bit mode mask. This sets up which bits are input and which bits are output. The *ucMask* byte sets the direction. A '0' means that the corresponding bit is to be an input, while a '1' means that the corresponding bit is to be an output.

*ucMode*

Mode value as shown in the following table:

Mode	Value (hex)
Reset the IO Bit Mode	0x0
Asynchronous Bit Bang Mode	0x1
MPSSE	0x2
Synchronous Bit Bang Mode	0x4
MCU Host Bus Emulation	0x8
Fast Serial For Opto-Isolation	0x10

### Return Value

FT\_OK if successful, otherwise the return value is an FT error code.

## 1.3 FT\_SetBitMode Example

1) To enable MPSSE Mode:

```
HANDLE ftHandle;          // valid handle returned from FT_Open or FT_W32_CreateFile
FT_STATUS ftStatus;
UCHAR Mask = 0xff;       // set all IOs to output
UCHAR Mode = 2;          // set MPSSE mode
ftStatus = FT_SetBitMode(ftHandle,Mask,Mode);
if (ftStatus == FT_OK) {
    // MPSSE Mode enabled
}
else {
    // FT_SetBitMode FAILED!
}
```

2) To enable Asynchronous Bit Bang Mode (See [AN232BM-01](#) <sup>(7)</sup>):

```
HANDLE ftHandle;          // valid handle returned from FT_Open or FT_W32_CreateFile
FT_STATUS ftStatus;
UCHAR Mask = 0x07;       // set bits 0, 1 and 2 to output
UCHAR Mode = 1;          // set Asynchronous Bit Bang mode
ftStatus = FT_SetBitMode(ftHandle,Mask,Mode);
if (ftStatus == FT_OK) {
    // Asynchronous Bit bang Mode enabled
}
else {
    // FT_SetBitMode FAILED!
}
```

3) To reset the IO bit mode:

```
ftStatus = FT_SetBitMode(ftHandle,0,0);
```

4) To enable Synchronous Bit Bang mode (using D2XXUnit.pas for Delphi):

```
Set_USB_Device_BitMode($00,$04); to enable it
Set_USB_Device_BitMode($00,$00); to reset it
```

5) To enable For MCU Host Bus Emulation mode (using D2XXUnit.pas for Delphi):

```
Set_USB_Device_BitMode($00,$08); to enable it
Set_USB_Device_BitMode($00,$00); to reset it
```

## 1.4 FT\_GetBitMode

Get the current value of the IO bit mode.

FT\_STATUS **FT\_GetBitMode** (FT\_HANDLE *ftHandle*, PCHAR *pucMode*)

### Parameters

*ftHandle*

Handle of the device.

*pucMode*

Pointer to unsigned char to store bit mode value.

### Return Value

FT\_OK if successful, otherwise the return value is an FT error code.

## 1.5 FT\_GetBitMode Example

To get the current bit mode value

```
HANDLE ftHandle;          // valid handle returned from FT_Open or FT_W32_CreateFile
UCHAR BitMode;
FT_STATUS ftStatus;
ftStatus = FT_GetBitMode(ftHandle,&BitMode);
if (ftStatus == FT_OK) {
    // BitMode contains current value
}
else {
    // FT_GetBitMode FAILED!
}
```

## 1.6 References

[DS2232C - FT2232C Device datasheet](#)

[AN232-01 - FT232BM/FT245BM Bit Bang Mode](#)

[AN2232-01 - Command Processor for MPSSE and MCU Host Bus Emulation Modes](#)

[Sample Projects - MPSSE Code Examples](#)

[D2XX Programmer's Guide](#)

## 2 History, Disclaimer, Contact

### 2.1 Document Revision History

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2.1	October 2006	References to FT2232C changed to FT2232 after release of FT2232D.



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