

Application Note

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Loading VNC2 ROM files Using V2PROG Utility

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This application note explains how to program Vinculum-II (VNC2) using a free FTDI utility, V2PROG, to load precompiled ROM files into VNC2 devices over the VNC2 Debugger/Programmer interface

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1 Introduction

FTDI have introduced a new suite of simplified "bridging" ROM files to allow for fast interconnect between differing interfaces. These ROM images (and sample code) are targeted at those users who would like to implement VNC2 into a design without creating their own firmware.

To further simplify the use of this precompiled code, FTDI have also provided a new programming utility called V2PROG which enables pre-compiled ROM files to be loaded into the VNC2 device over the debugger/programmer interface without needing to use the IDE or FT_PROG. This may also be of benefit in a mass production environment where the full IDE is not required.

1.1 Overview

VNC2 is the second of FTDI's Vinculum family of embedded dual USB host controller devices. The VNC2 device provides USB Host interfacing capability for a variety of different USB device classes including support for BOMS (bulk only mass storage), Printer and HID (human interface devices). For mass storage devices such as USB Flash drives, VNC2 transparently handles the FAT file structure.

Communication with non USB devices, such as a low cost microcontroller, is accomplished via UART, SPI or parallel FIFO interfaces. VNC2 provides a new, cost effective solution for providing USB Host capability into products that previously did not have the hardware resources available.

VNC2 allows customers to develop their own firmware using the Vinculum-II software development tool suite. These development tools provide compiler, assembler, linker and debugger tools complete within an integrated development environment (IDE).

The Vinculum-II VNC2 family of devices are available in Pb-free (RoHS compliant) 32-lead LQFP, 32-lead QFN, 48-lead QFN, 64-Lead LQFP and 64-lead QFN packages For more information on the ICs refer to http://www.ftdichip.com/Products/ICs/VNC2.htm.

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2 Connecting the hardware

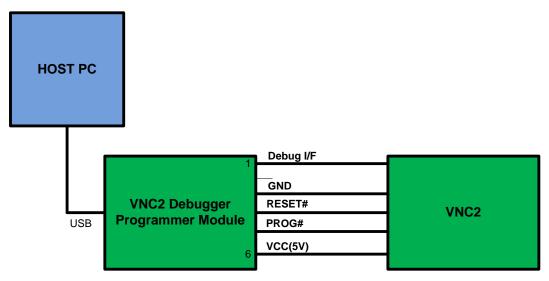


Figure 2.1 Connecting the Hardware

Using a separate VNC2 Debugger/Programmer module requires interconnect as per figure 2.1.



Figure 2.2 Debugger/Programmer module

To allow for the VNC2 chip to be programmed it must be powered, The 5V supply from the debugger module (if used) must be converted to 3V3/1V8 to supply the VNC2 chip via a regulator on the VNC2 PCB. Alternatively a user may provide their own power supply.

The VNC2 pinout is:

Signal	32-pin pkg	48-pin pkg	64-pin pkg	Description
GND	1, 16, 19, 27	1, 24, 27, 39	1, 30, 35, 53	Device ground supply pins
3V3 VREGIN	1 2	2	2	+3.3VDC supply to the regulator
1V8 VCC PLL IN	3	3	3	+1.8VDC supply to internal clock multiplier Requires 100nF decoupling capacitor close to pin
GND PLL	6	6	6	Device analog ground supply for internal clock multiplier
VREG OUT	7	7*	7	+1.8VDC output from regulator to device core





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Signal	32-pin pkg	48-pin pkg	64-pin pkg	Description
				*Not used on 48-pin LQFP package
VCCIO	13, 22, 28	17, 30, 40	21, 38, 54 9 10	+3.3VDC supply to I/O interface pins (IOBUS) VCCIO must be connected for proper operation
RESET#	10	9		Can be used by an external device to reset VNC2
PROG#	9	10		Asserting PROG# enables program mode
DEBUGGER I/F	11	11	11	I/O for programming and in-circuit debugging

Table 2.1 VNC2 Pin-Out



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3 Installing the Debugger/Programmer Module driver

To allow a PC to communicate with the debugger/programming module it is necessary to load a driver for this module.

Installation of the Debugger/Programmer driver is a simple case of plugging the device in and allowing the Windows Installation Wizard to go online, find and load the driver. For more details on driver loading for different versions of Widows OS please refer to the Driver Installation Guides

Note: these drivers are also required by the V2PROG utility.

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4 Installing V2PROG

V2PROG is downloadable from the FTDI website at (http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Utilities/V2PROG Installer.zip)

The zip file should be downloaded and extracted onto the PC. This can be done with free utilities such as Winzip by right clicking on the zip file and selecting "Extract files..." from the pop-up menu.

The extracted file V2PROG Installer.exe will now be placed in the folder of your choosing. Double click on the file to run the exe and follow the on-screen prompts.

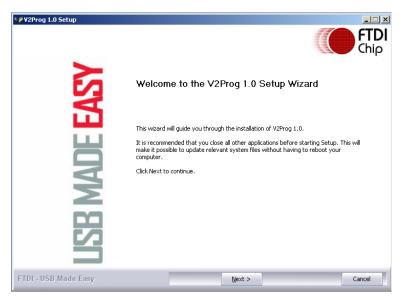


Figure 4.1 Welcome screen

Accept the licence to allow the installation to continue.

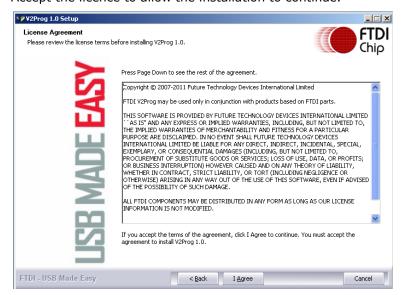


Figure 4.2 Licence screen

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Select "Next" to install the executable and a desktop icon. (Untick the desktop icon option if you do not want a shortcut on your desktop).

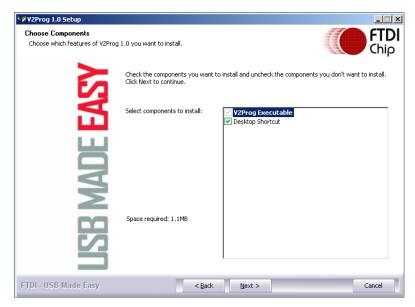


Figure 4.3 Component installation screen

Select the folder where you want the file installed. The default is C:\Program Files\FTDI\Vinculum II Utilities\V2PROG. Then press "Install".



Figure 4.4 Installation path screen

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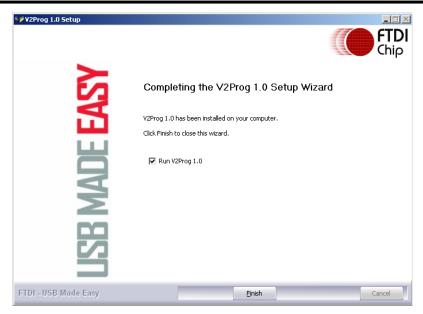


Figure 4.5 Installation path screen

On the final screen select "Finish" to complete the installation.

The executable file (V2Prog.exe) is now ready for use.

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5 Running V2PROG

Double click on the V2PROG.exe file to open the application.

This should give a GUI with two boxes and a Program button.

The ROM path is the location that the Rom file is stored on the PC. In the figure below the file is called FT232Uart.ROM and is located at C:\FTDI DATA.

The VNC2 device that was found is "VNC2 Debugger Module". This is the default string returned from the VNC2 debugger/programmer module. Simply ensure you select the device you want to program.



Figure 5.1 V2Prog Screenshot

Press the Program button to load the file. The utility will show Status: Flash write done when it has completed.

On completion of programming the device the utility will reset the VNC2 allowing for the application ROM to start running.



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Appendix A - References

Document References

Application and Technical Notes available at http://www.ftdichip.com/Support/Documents/AppNotes.htm

VNC2 Datasheet

V2-EVAL datasheet

V2Debugger/Programmer Module Datasheet

Vinculum II Toolchain

AN 151 Vinculum II User Guide

AN 159 Vinculum II Firmware Flash Programming.pdf

Driver Install Guides

Precompiled ROM files
V2PROG

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Terms	Description
HID	Human Interface Device
ROM	Read Only Memory
SPI Serial Peripheral Interface	
USB	Universal Serial Bus
USB-IF	USB Implementers Forum

NOTE – put terms in alphabetical order.



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