

Technical Description SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1

Evaluation Board for SHT4x Temperature and Humidity Sensor

- Evaluation board with SHT4x RHT sensor
- Compatible with the STMicroelectronics DIL 24 socket
- Supported by the STEVAL-MKI109V3 Motherboard
- Compatible with STM32Nucleo boards and STM32Cube Software
- 1.08 V to 3.6 V supply voltage and ultra-low power consumption



Product Summary

The evaluation kit for the SHT4x RHT enables easy sensor evaluation and facilitated prototyping.

The SHT40 Evaluation Board is compatible with the STMicroelectronics DIL 24 socket and is supported by the STEVAL-MKI109V3 motherboard. The Evaluation Board is also compatible with the STM32Nucleo boards from STMicroelectronics.

This technical description is limited to the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 evaluation board. For more information on the SHT4x specifications and the interfacing consult the [SHT4x datasheet](#).

SHT4x is a digital sensor platform for measuring relative humidity and temperature at different accuracy classes. Its I2C interface provides several preconfigured I2C addresses and maintains an ultra-low power budget. The power-trimmed internal heater can be used at three heating levels thus enabling sensor operation in demanding environments. The four-pin dual-flat-no-leads package is suitable for surface mount technology (SMT) processing and comprises an optional on-package patented PTFE membrane or a removable protection cap.

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1 Hardware Interface Specification

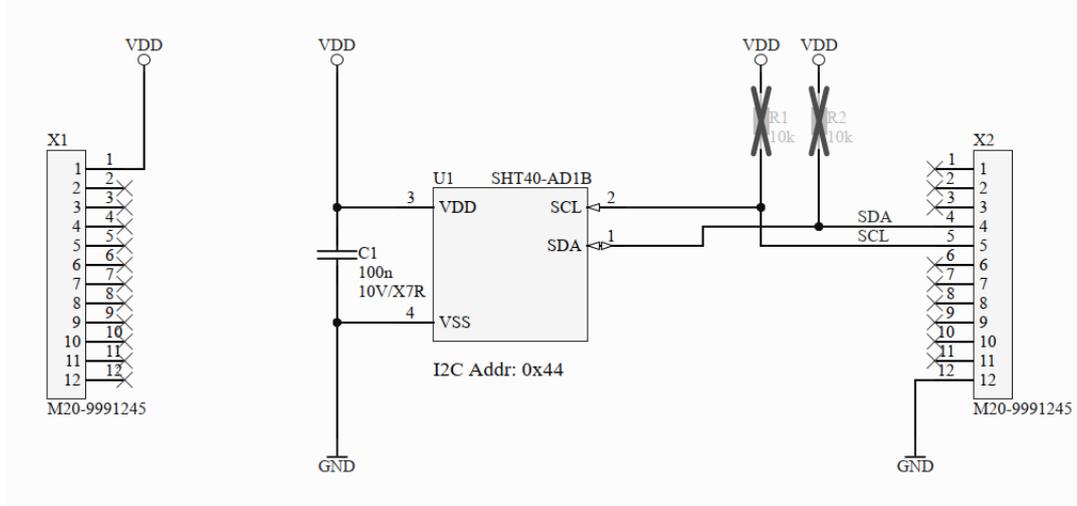


Figure 1: Schematic Diagram of the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1

1.1 Sensor detailed Pinout

Pin	Name	Comment
1	SDA	I2C serial data input / output
2	SCL	I2C serial clock input
3	VDD	Power supply (positive supply)
4	GND	Ground (negative supply)

Table 1: Sensor pin assignment.

1.2 DIL24 Pinout

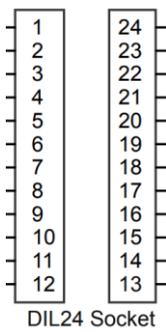


Figure 2: DIL24 Socket Circuit Diagram

Pin	Name	Comment
1	VDD	Power supply (positive supply)
13	GND	Ground (negative supply)
20	SCL	I2C serial clock input
21	SDA	I2C serial data input / output

Table 2: DIL 24 pin assignment. Unused pins are omitted from the table

2 Evaluation using the Professional MEMS Motherboard MKI109V3

The SENSEVAL-SHT4xV1 is compatible with the ST MEMS Motherboard MKI109V3 through the DIL24 connector.

SENSEVAL needs to be connected so that the Sensirion and ST logos on the board are in the same direction as the ST logo on the board.

The STEVAL-MKI109V3 firmware needs to be compatible with Unico GUI version 9.14 and above.

To update the firmware on STEVAL-MKI109V3:

1. Download and install the [latest Unico GUI](#) from the ST Website
2. Locate the downloaded file, navigate to the FIRMWARE folder and then to ProfMEMSTool board and locate the .bin file. You will need this for the firmware update
3. Download and install the [STM32CubeProgrammer software](#)
4. Make the MKI109V3 boot in DFU mode by following the instructions in chapter 2.2 of the [MKI109V3 user manual](#)
5. Upgrade the firmware using the .bin file from step 2 and the instructions in chapter 2.2.2 of the [MKI109V3 user manual](#)

As soon as the MKI109V3 is updated with the latest firmware you can launch the Unico GUI. Select the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 (SHT40) from the environmental sensors tab and click on Select Device.

The GUI should look like the figure below:



Figure 2. Unico GUI

To start measuring navigate to the Options tab and click on Easy Configuration (1) and then on Start (2) at the top of Unico GUI.

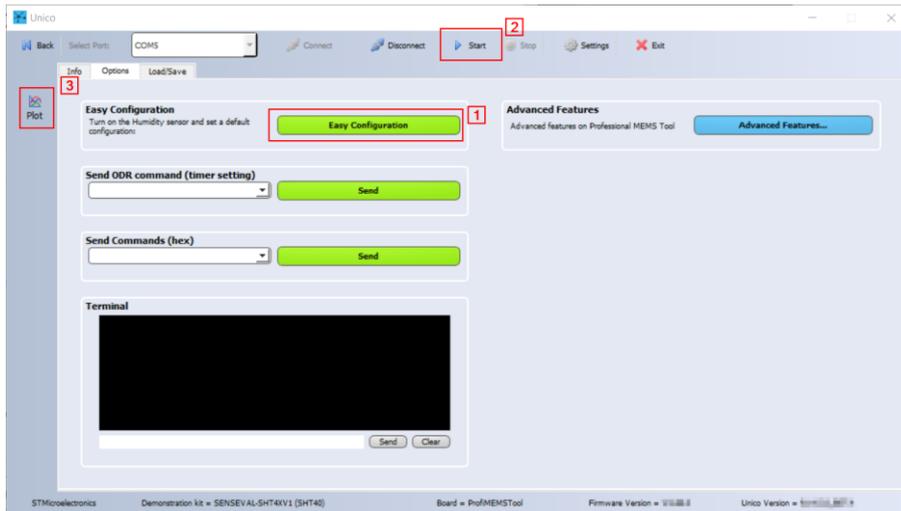


Figure 3: Unico GUI, Options tab

You can see the measurements by clicking the plot button on the right of the application (3):



Figure 4: Unico GUI Plot

Unico GUI, allows the measurements to be saved in a file, to save the data:

1. Navigate to the Load/Save tab at Unico GUI,
2. Browse the folder and name the log file according to your liking,
3. Select the data you would like saved,
4. Start logging
5. Start the measurement of the sensor

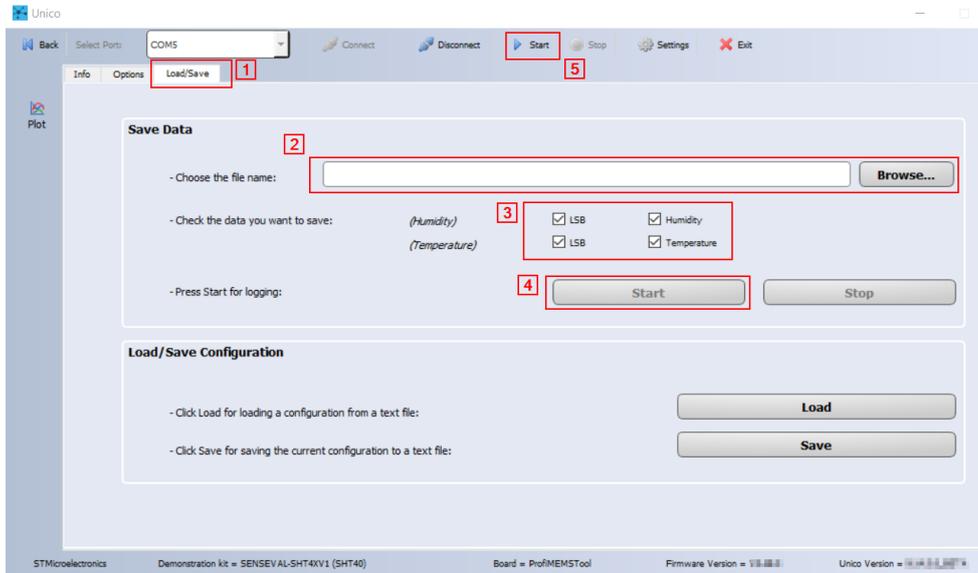


Figure 5: Data logging

The user can adjust the frequency of the measurements via the Send ODR command button (Figure 6, step 1)

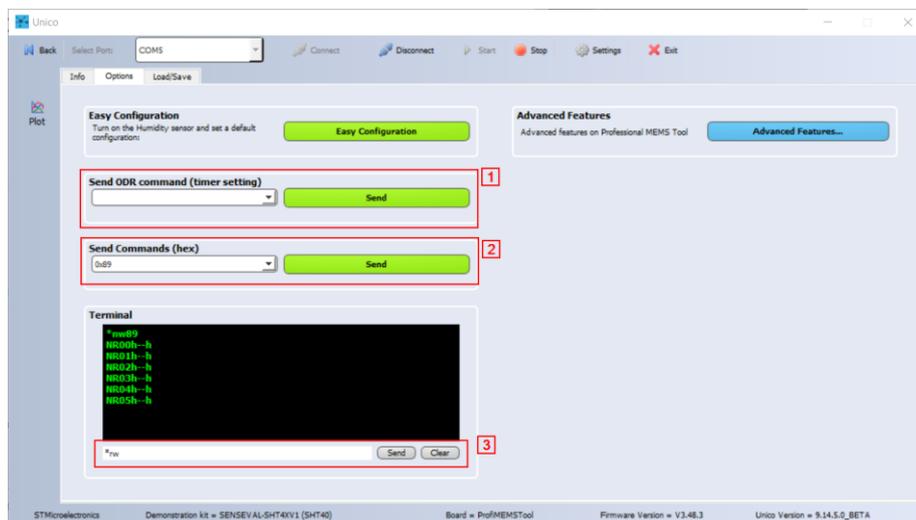


Figure 6: Interfacing with the sensor

Unico GUI, gives the ability to the user to send direct i2c commands to the sensor (Figure 6, Step 2) and read the response through the terminal provided (Figure 6, Step 3).

The i2c response can be read via the i2c read command *nr.

3 Evaluation using a Nucleo Board and a Nucleo Expansion Board

3.1 Hardware Setup

STMicroelectronics with the latest release of X-CUBE-MEMS-1 functional package (Version 9.5.0) added support for the Sensirion SHT40 sensor.

Users can quickly evaluate the performance of the sensor via the use of UNICLEO-GUI provided by STMicroelectronics (Version 1.23.0).

The support is currently limited to the NUCLEO-F401RE board and the X-NUCLEO-IKS01A3 expansion board.

To get started with the evaluation make sure you have the correct hardware as mentioned above and connect the expansion board on the X-NUCLEO-F401RE. Afterwards, connect the SENSEVAL-SHT4xV1 on the expansion board using the DIL24 socket.

Make sure that the Sensirion and ST logo on the SENSEVAL-SHT4xV1 is facing the same direction as the ST logo on the X-NUCLEO-IKS01A3 expansion board.

The setup should look like the picture below:

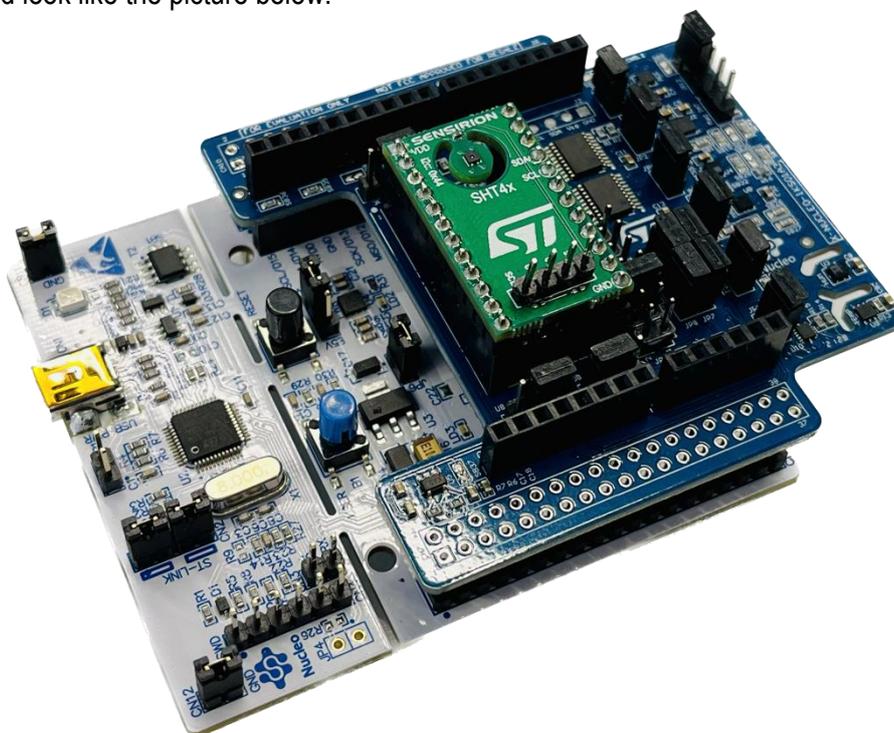


Figure 7: the SENSEVAL-SHT4xV1 mounted on the X-NUCLEO-IKS01A3 expansion board with the Nucleo F401RE board

3.2 Firmware update

The firmware on the Nucleo F401RE board needs to be flashed so that it can work with UNICLEO GUI. STMicroelectronics provides an example to get things started with the X-CUBE-MEMS-1 functional package.

To update the firmware you can use STM32cubeProgrammer and load the ready-made example by navigating to the folder of the X-CUBE-MEMS-1 functional package:

*“en.x-cube-mems1\Projects\NUCLEO-F401RE\Examples\IKS01A3\DataLogExtended\Binary\
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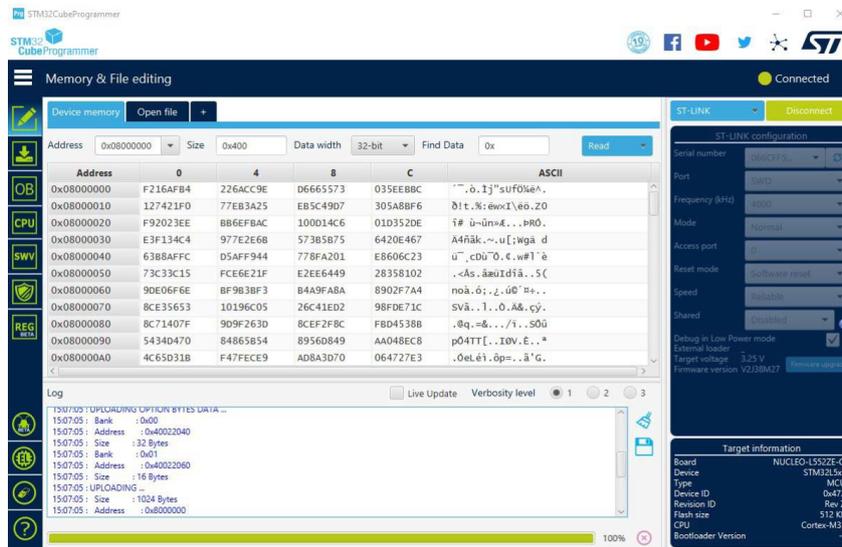


Figure 8: STM32CubeProgrammer User Interface

To load the .bin file please follow the steps below:

1. Open the STM32CubeProgrammer
2. Select the Nucleo board from the dropdown menu on the right of the screen and click Connect
3. Click on the “Open File” tab and navigate to the location of the .bin file shown above
4. As soon as you open the .bin file the light blue button will change from Read to Download
5. Click on Download and wait for the firmware to be downloaded into your Nucleo Board
6. Disconnect the board

3.3 Unicleo GUI

Now we are ready to launch Unicleo GUI. Please follow the steps below:

1. Download and install Unicleo GUI
2. Open the Unicleo GUI
3. Connect the Nucleo F401RE board with your computer via the supplied USB cable
4. Unicleo GUI will automatically detect the COM port where the Nucleo F401RE board is connected
5. Click Connect
6. Select the correct sensors from the drop-down menus. For Humidity and Temperature select SHT40.

For Detailed information on how to use the Unicleo GUI please refer to the Unicleo GUI Getting Started Guide: https://www.st.com/resource/en/user_manual/um2128-getting-started-with-unicleogui-for-motion-mems-and-environmental-sensor-software-expansion-for-stm32cube-stmicroelectronics.pdf

4 Prototyping with Sensirion Nucleo I²C SHT4X Driver

4.1 Example I²C SHT4X Driver

An example of the I²C SHT4X Driver for the STM32 Nucleo Cube can be found on Sensirion's GitHub repository: [Sensirion/nucleo-i2c-sht4x: SHT4x driver for STs Nucleo F103RB board with the X-NUCLEO-IKS02A1 shield \(github.com\)](https://github.com/Sensirion/nucleo-i2c-sht4x)

4.2 Connecting the Evaluation board to the Nucleo F103RB

To connect the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 to the Nucleo F103RB board please use a jumper wire set (not included with the evaluation board). Table 3 shows the connection between the evaluation board Pins and the Nucleo F103RB board pins

Nucleo F103RB board	SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1	SHT4x
1	Pin +3v3	VDD
13	Pin GND	GND
20	Pin PB_8	SCL
21	Pin PB_9	SDA

Table 3: SENSEVAL- SHT4XV1 to Nucleo F103RB board Pin assignment

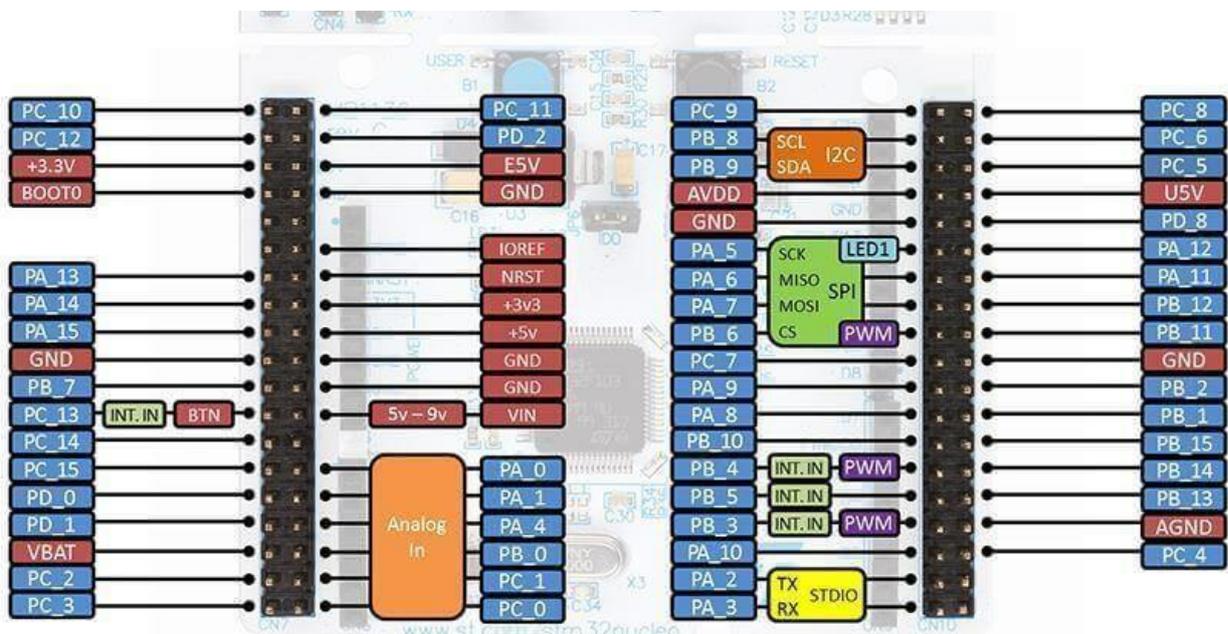


Figure 9: Nucleo F103RB Pinout diagram

Note: The Nucleo board does not contain internal pull-ups. Either you have a breakout board for your sensor that has pull-ups, or you have to add pull-ups by our own. The provided setup assumes that ~5K pull-ups are installed. As the required pull-ups heavily depend on your actual hardware setup (e.g. length wires), it's a good thing to check the signals SCL and SDA with an oscilloscope.

4.3 Using the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 with a DIL24 compatible STM32NUCLEO expansion board

The following STM32Nucleo expansion boards are compatible with the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1:

- X-NUCLEO-IKS01A2
- X-NUCLEO-IKS01A3
- X-NUCLEO-IKS02A1

Figure 8, shows a picture of the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 mounted on the X-NUCLEO-IKS02A1 expansion board with the Nucleo F103RB board:

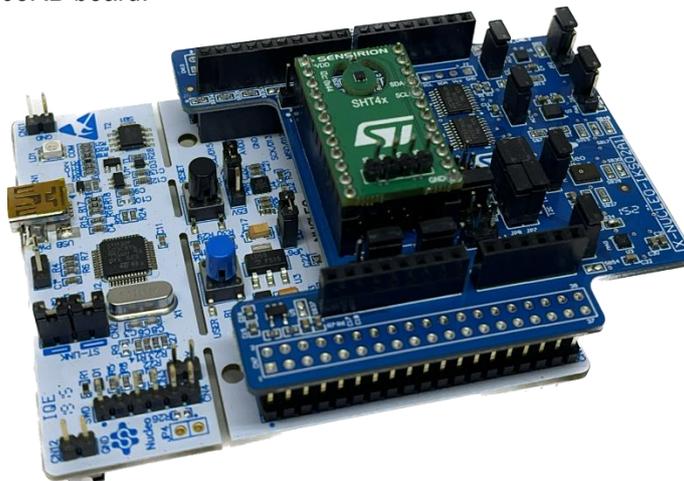


Figure 10: the SENSEVAL-SHT4XV1 mounted on the X-NUCLEO-IKS02A1 expansion board with the Nucleo F103RB board

5 Revision History

Date	Version	Page(s)	Changes
November 2022	1	All	Initial version
March 2023	1.1	3-7	Added Section 2 and 3

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