

Compass click™

1. Introduction



Compass Click[™] is an accessory board in **mikroBUS**[™] form factor. It's a compact and easy solution for adding compass module to your design. It features **LSM303DLHC** ultra compact high performance e-compass module. Compass Click[™] communicates with the target board microcontroller via **mikroBUS**[™] I²C (SDA, SCL), INT and RST lines. The board is designed to use 3.3V power supply only. LED diode (GREEN) indicates the presence of power supply.

2. Soldering the headers

Before using your click boardTM, make sure to solder 1x8 male headers to both left and right side of the board. Two 1x8 male headers are included with the board in the package.

Turn the board upside down so that

bottom side is facing you upwards. Place

shorter parts of the header pins in both

soldering pad locations.

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Turn the board upward again. Make sure to align the headers so that they are perpendicular to the board, then solder the pins carefully.



4. Essential features

Compass Click^m with it's **LSM303DLHC** IC includes specific sensing element and an IC interface capable of measuring both linear acceleration (full-scale of $\pm 2g/\pm 4g/\pm 8g/\pm 16g$) and magnetic field (From ± 1.3 to ± 8.1 gauss full-scale) and to provide a 16-bit data output through I²C interface. All these features make this board ideal for compensated compass, position detection, display orientation and many more.



3. Plugging the board in

Once you have soldered the headers your board is ready to be placed into desired mikroBUSTM socket. Make sure to align the cut in the lower-right part of the board with the markings on the silkscreen at the mikroBUSTM socket. If all of the pins are aligned correctly, push the board all the way into the socket.



5. Compass Click[™] Board Schematic



6. Axis direction

The LSM303DLHC IC

is a system based on a three dimensional sensing elements. The orientation of each

axis is clearly designated on the board silkscreen. Readings received from the IC can be processed and used to determine earth's magnetic north pole.

7. Code Examples

Once you have done all the necessary preparations, it's time to get your click board up and running. We have provided the examples for mikroC, mikroBasic and mikroPascal compilers on our Libstock website. Just download them and you are ready to start.



8. Support

MikroElektronika offers Free Tech Support (www.mikroe.com/esupport) until the end of product lifetime, so if something goes wrong, we are ready and willing to help!



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