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# mikromedia™

for dsPIC33®

Compact development system rich with on-board peripherals for all-round multimedia development on **dsPIC33FJ256GP710A** device.



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General Manager

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# Introduction to mikromedia for dsPIC33®

**mikromedia for dsPIC33®** is a compact development system with lots of on-board peripherals which allow development of devices with multimedia contents. The central part of the system is a 16-bit **dsPIC33FJ256GP710A** microcontroller. mikromedia for dsPIC33 features integrated modules such as stereo MP3 codec, **TFT 320x240 touch screen** display, accelerometer, USB connector, audio connector, MMC/SD card slot, 8 Mbit flash memory, 2x26 connection pads and other. It comes pre-programmed with UART bootloader, but can also be programmed with external programmers, such as mikroProg™ or ICD2/3. Mikromedia is compact and slim, and perfectly fits in the palm of the hand, which makes it a convenient platform for mobile devices.



# Package contains



01 Damage resistant protective box



02 mikromedia for dsPIC33® development system



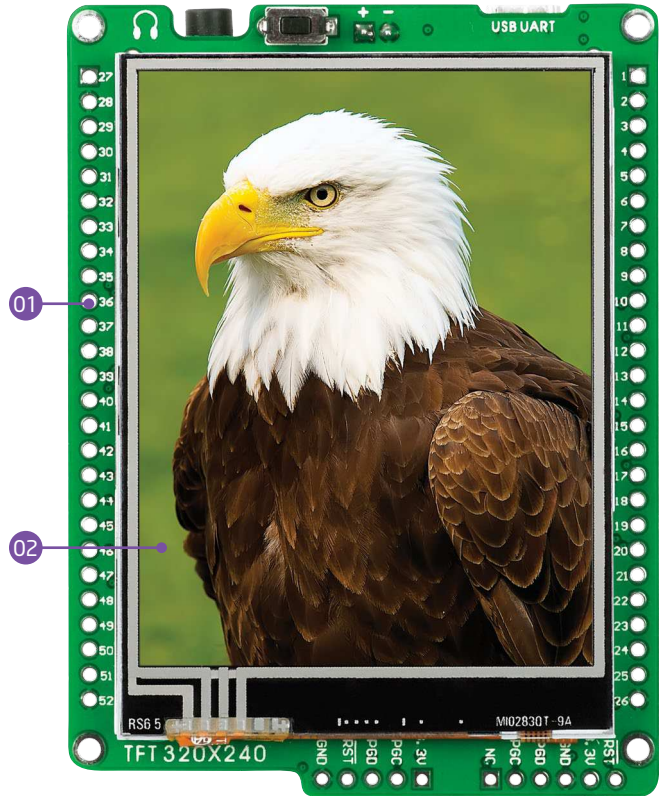
03 User's guide, schematic and pinout

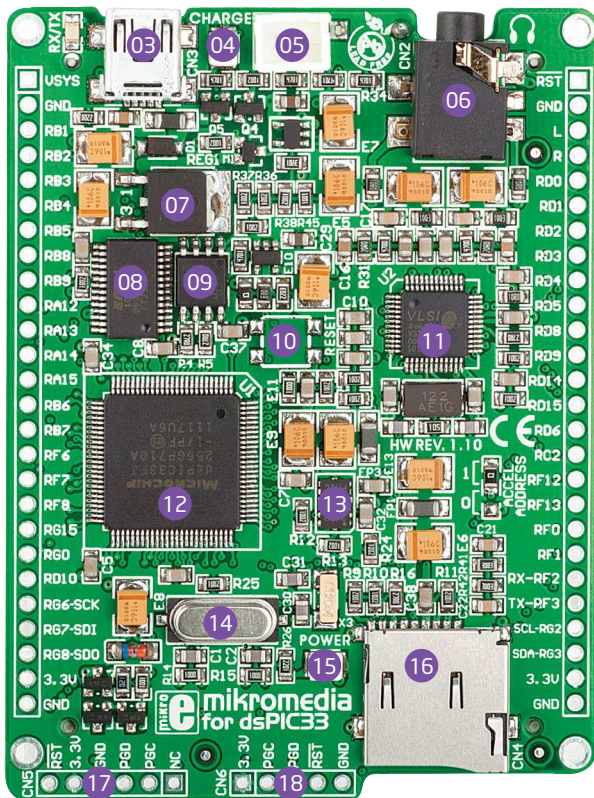


04 USB cable, two 1x26, one 1x6 and one 1x5 male headers

# Key features

- 01 Connection pads
- 02 TFT 320x240 display
- 03 USB MINI-B connector
- 04 CHARGE indication LED
- 05 LI-Polymer battery connector
- 06 3.5mm headphone connector
- 07 Power supply regulator
- 08 FTDI chip
- 09 Serial flash memory
- 10 RESET button
- 11 VS1053 Stereo mp3 coder/decoder
- 12 dsPIC33FJ256GP710A microcontroller
- 13 Accelerometer
- 14 Crystal oscillator
- 15 Power indication LED
- 16 microSD card slot
- 17 ICD2/3 connector
- 18 mikroProg connector





## System specification



### power supply

Via USB cable (5V DC)



### power consumption

77 mA with erased MCU (when on-board modules are inactive)



### board dimensions

81.2 x 60.5 mm (3.19 x 2.38 inch)



### weight

~50g (0.11lbs)



### class B product

Product complies with the Class B limit of EN 55022 and can be used in the domestic, residential, commercial and industrial environments.

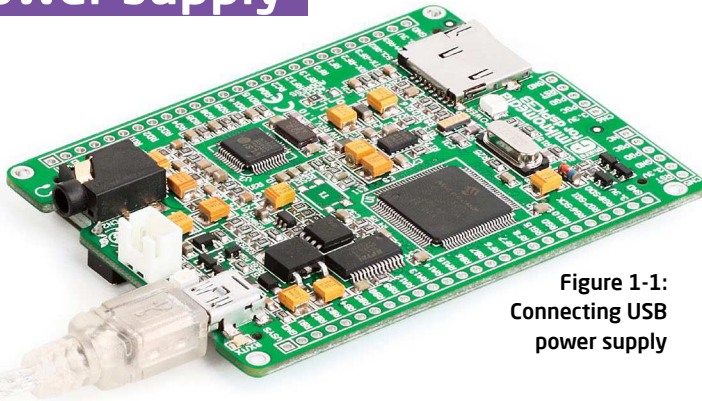


### CAUTION: Electrostatic sensitive device

Permanent damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy electrostatic discharges which readily accumulate on the human body or test equipment and can discharge without detection.



# 1. Power supply



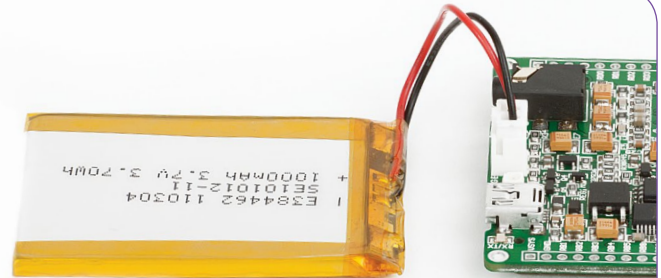
**Figure 1-1:**  
Connecting USB  
power supply

## USB power supply

You can apply power supply to the board using **MINI-B USB** cable provided in the package. On-board voltage regulators provide the appropriate voltage levels to each component of the board. **Power LED (GREEN)** will indicate the presence of power supply.

## Battery power supply

You can also power the board using a Li-Polymer battery, via on-board battery connector. On-board battery charger circuit MCP73832 enables you to charge the battery over a USB connection. LED diode (RED) will indicate when the battery is charging. Charging current is  $\sim 250\text{mA}$  and charging voltage is  $4.2\text{V DC}$ .



**Figure 1-2:** Connecting Li-Polymer battery

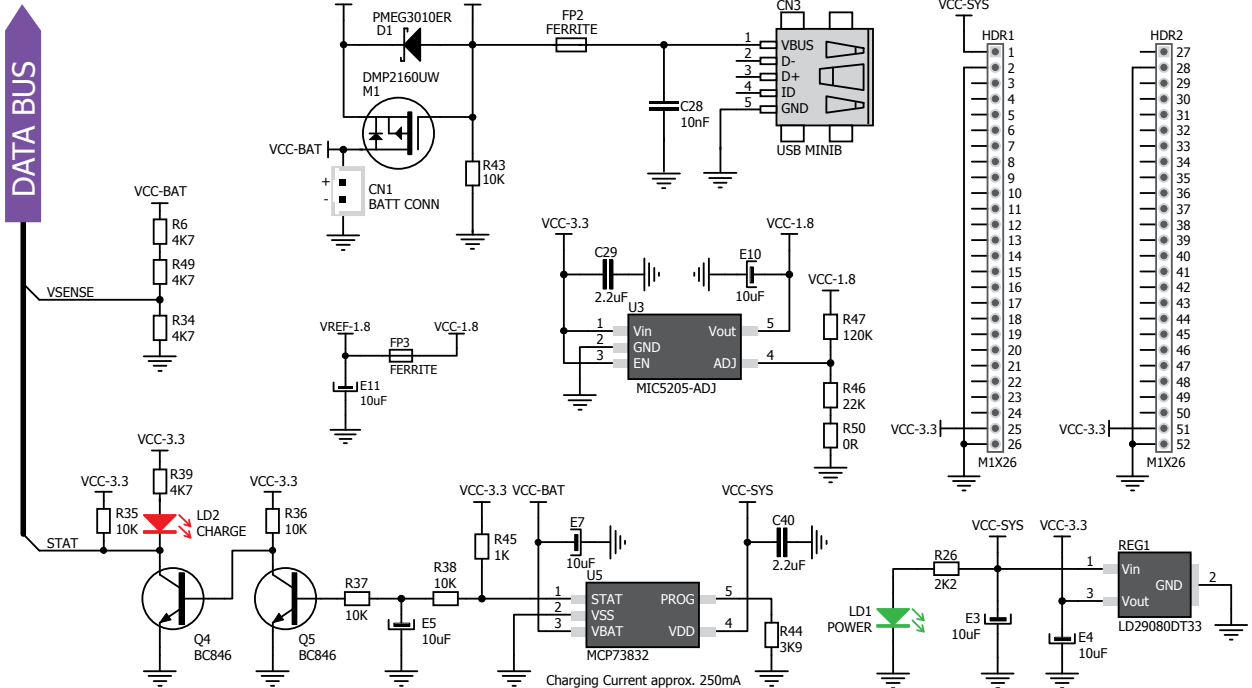


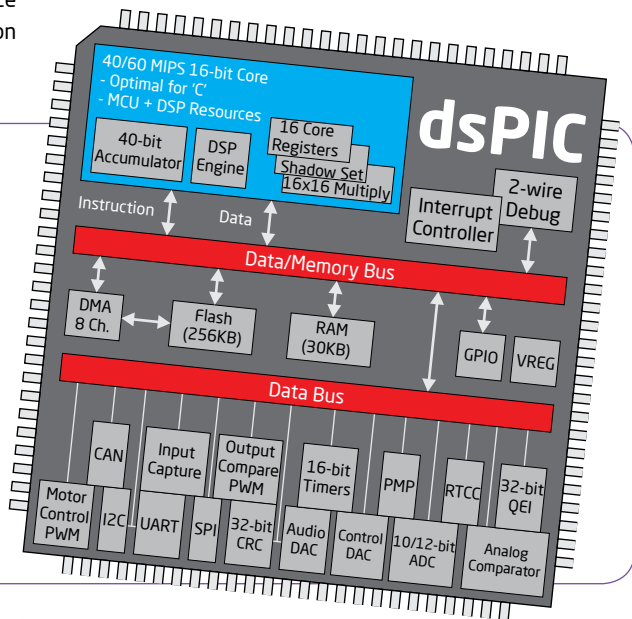
Figure 1-3: Power supply schematics

## 2. dsPIC33FJ256GP710A microcontroller

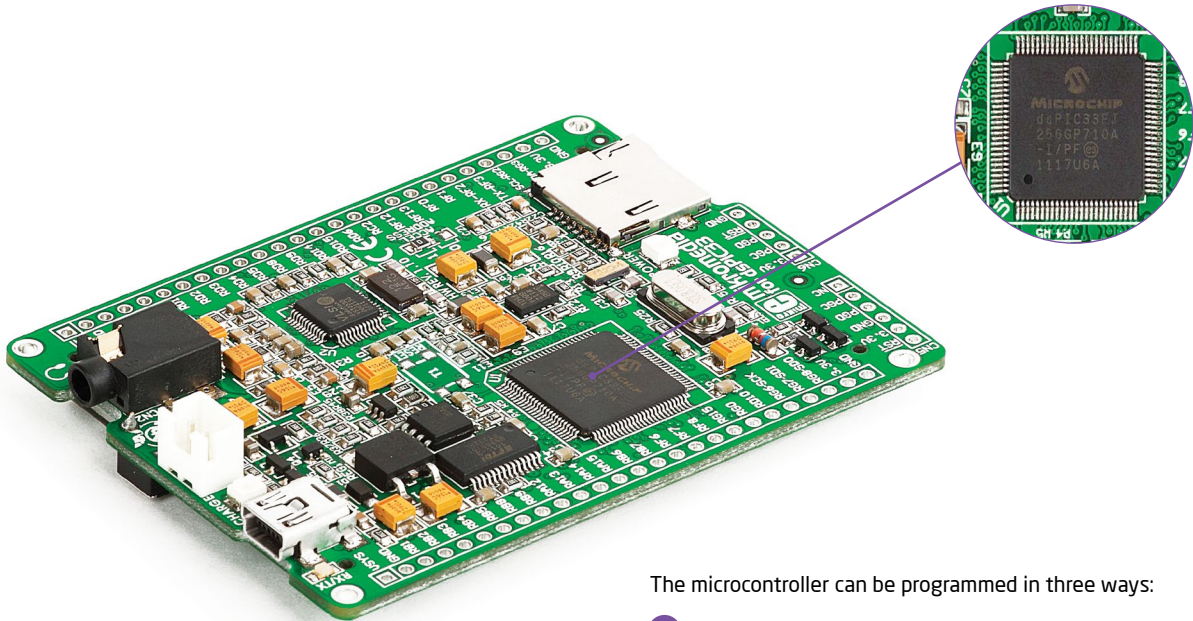
mikromedia for dsPIC33® development system comes with the dsPIC33FJ256GP710A microcontroller. This high-performance 16-bit microcontroller with its integrated modules and in combination with other on-board modules is ideal for multimedia applications.

### Key microcontroller features

- Up to **40 MIPS** Operation;
- 16-bit architecture;
- 256KB of program memory;
- 30.720 Bytes of RAM;
- 85 I/O pins;
- Internal Oscillator 7.37 MHz, 512kHz;
- nanoWatt features: Fast Wake/Fast Control;
- 2-UART, 2-SPI, 2-I2C, 2-CAN;
- DAC, ADC, etc.



# 3. Programming the microcontroller



The microcontroller can be programmed in three ways:

- 01 Over UART bootloader
- 02 Using mikroProg™ external programmer
- 03 Using ICD2/3 external programmer

# Programming with mikroBootloader

You can program the microcontroller with the bootloader which is preprogrammed into the device by default. To transfer .HEX file from a PC to MCU you need bootloader software (**ds30 Loader**) which can be downloaded from:



[www.mikroe.com/eng/downloads/get/1493/mikrommb\\_dsPIC33\\_bootloader.zip](http://www.mikroe.com/eng/downloads/get/1493/mikrommb_dsPIC33_bootloader.zip)

Upon download, unzip the file to the desired location and start ds30 Loader software.

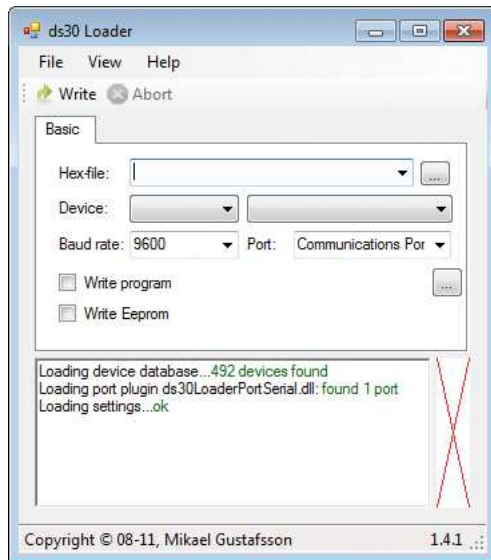
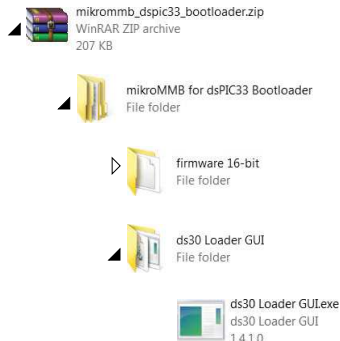


Figure 3-1: ds30 Loader open-source software

**note**

Connect mikromedia for dsPIC33® with a PC before starting ds30 Loader software

## Identifying device COM port



Figure 3-2: Identifying COM port

### note

*In Device Manager you can see which COM port is assigned to mikromedia (in this case COM5)*

## step 1 - Choosing COM port

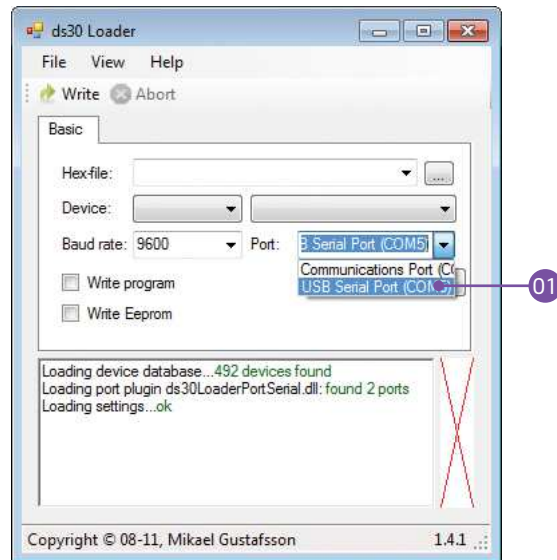


Figure 3-3: Selecting COM port

- 01 From drop down list select USB COM port which is used for communication with a PC (in this case COM5)

## step 2 - Choosing device family

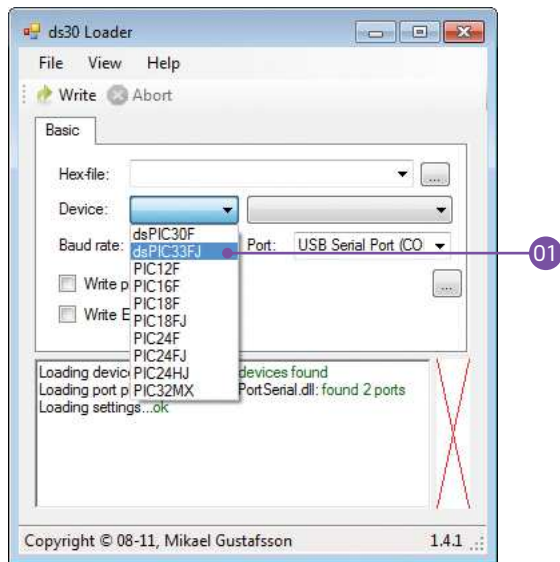


Figure 3-4: Selecting MCU family

01 From drop down list select MCU family (dsPIC33FJ)

## step 3 - Choosing device

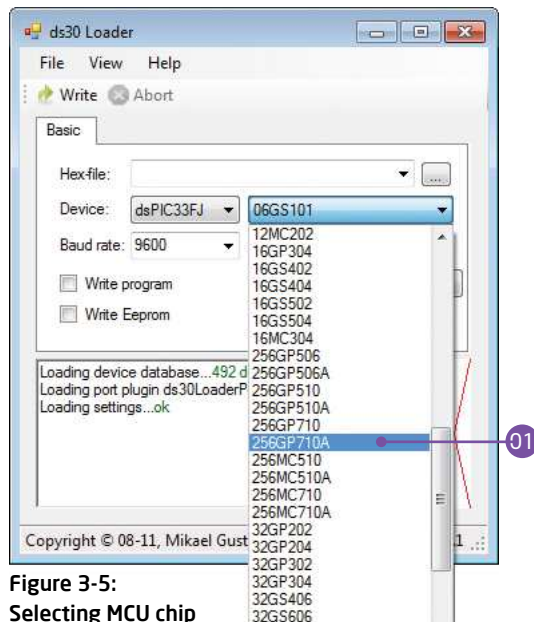


Figure 3-5:  
Selecting MCU chip

01 From drop down list select MCU chip (256GP710A)

## step 4 - Browse for .HEX file

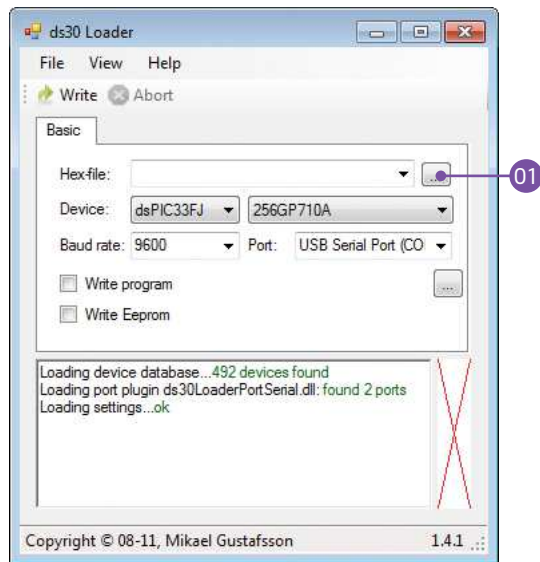


Figure 3-6: Browse for .HEX file

- 01 Click on **Browse** button and from pop-up window (figure 3-7) select .HEX file which will be uploaded to MCU memory

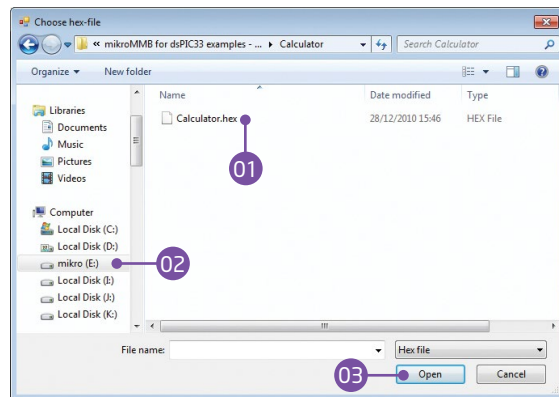


Figure 3-7: Pop-up window for .HEX file choosing

- 01 Select desired .HEX file
- 02 Folder list
- 03 Click on Open button



## step 5 - Set Baud rate

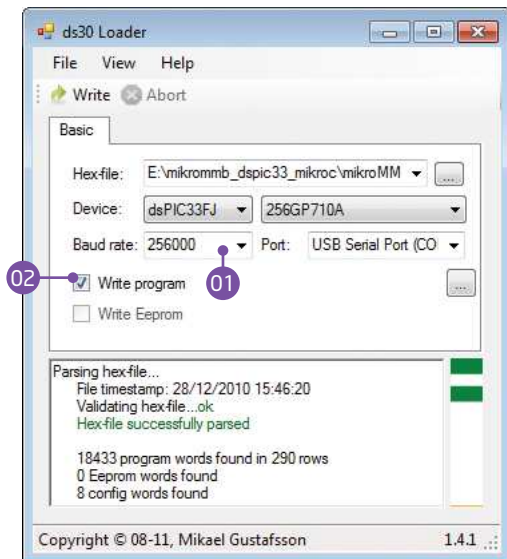


Figure 3-8: Setting baud rate

- 01 From drop down list set baud rate value to 256000
- 02 Check **Write program** check box

## step 6 - Uploading .HEX file

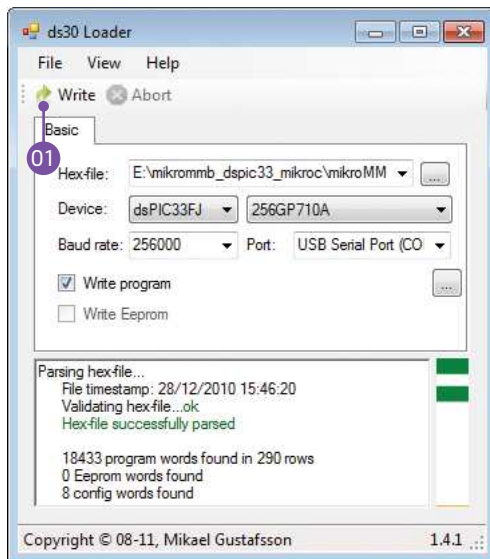
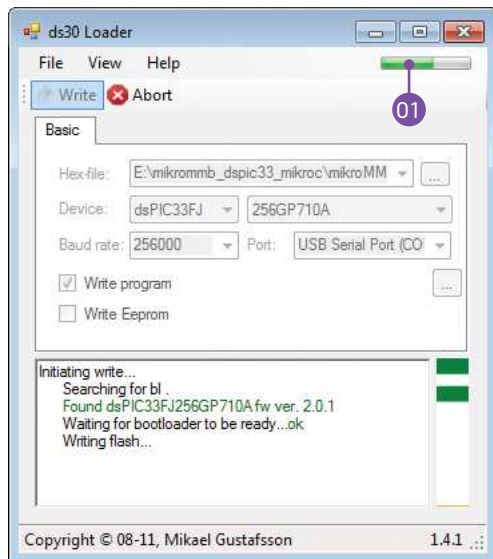


Figure 3-9: Write program

- 01 First RESET mikromedia and then, within 5s click on **Write button**

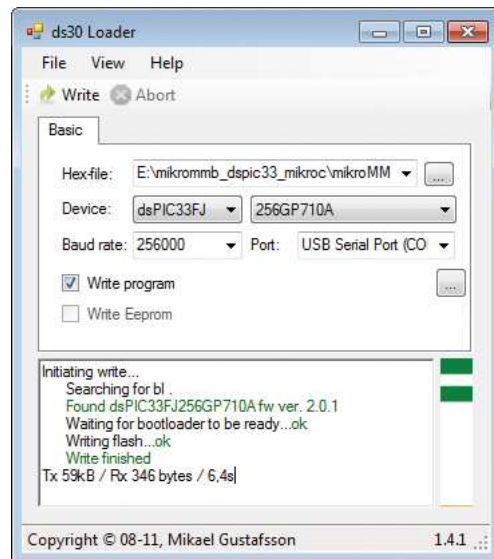
**note**

If you accidentally erase bootloader program from MCU memory it is possible to load it again with external programmer. mikromedia for dsPIC33® bootloader firmware.hex file is located in Firmware subfolder, Page 12.



**Figure 3-10: Program uploading**

**01** Progress bar indicates .HEX file upload process

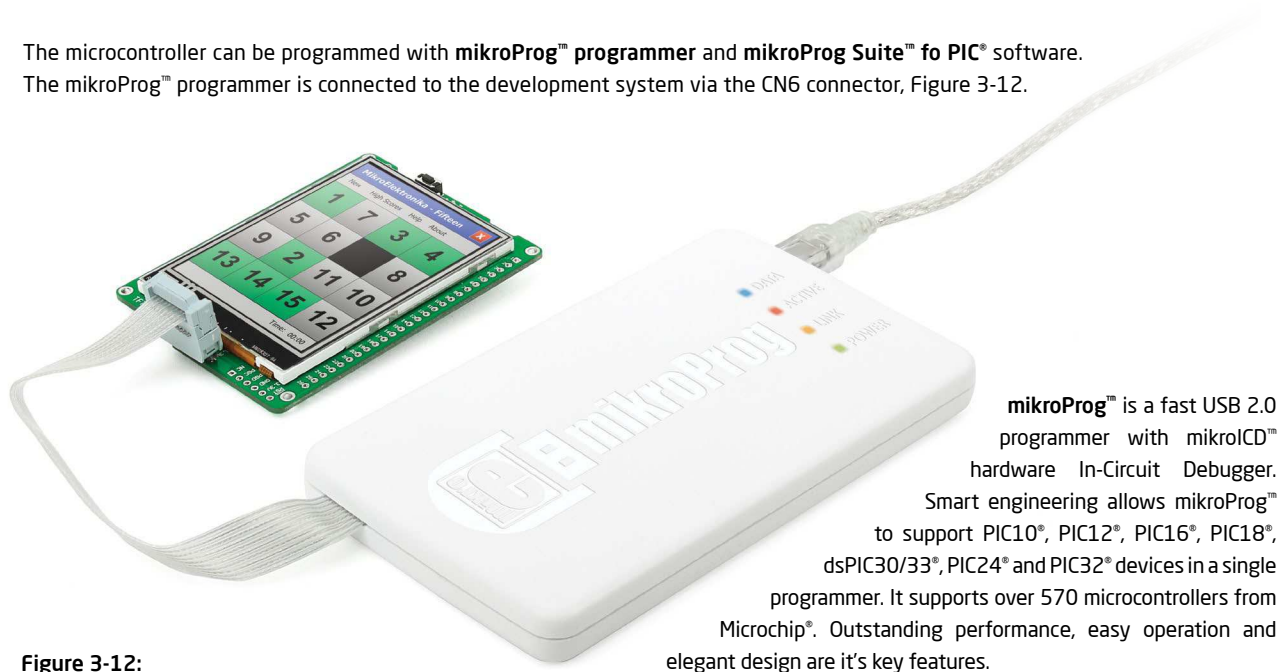


**Figure 3-11: Uploading is finished**

**01** After uploading is finished you will get a notice in ds30 Loader history window

# Programming with mikroProg™ programmer

The microcontroller can be programmed with **mikroProg™ programmer** and **mikroProg Suite™ fo PIC®** software. The mikroProg™ programmer is connected to the development system via the CN6 connector, Figure 3-12.



**Figure 3-12:**  
Connecting mikroProg™ to mikromedia™

**mikroProg™** is a fast USB 2.0 programmer with mikroCD™ hardware In-Circuit Debugger. Smart engineering allows mikroProg™ to support PIC10®, PIC12®, PIC16®, PIC18®, dsPIC30/33®, PIC24® and PIC32® devices in a single programmer. It supports over 570 microcontrollers from Microchip®. Outstanding performance, easy operation and elegant design are it's key features.

# mikroProg Suite™ for PIC® software



**mikroProg™** programmer requires special programming software called **mikroProg Suite™ for PIC®**. This software is used for programming all Microchip® microcontroller families, including PIC10®, PIC12®, PIC16®, PIC18®, dsPIC30/33®, PIC24® and PIC32®. Software has intuitive interface and SingleClick™ programming technology. Just by downloading the latest version of **mikroProg Suite™** your programmer is ready to program new devices. **mikroProg Suite™** is updated regularly, at least four times a year, so your programmer will be more and more powerful with each new release.

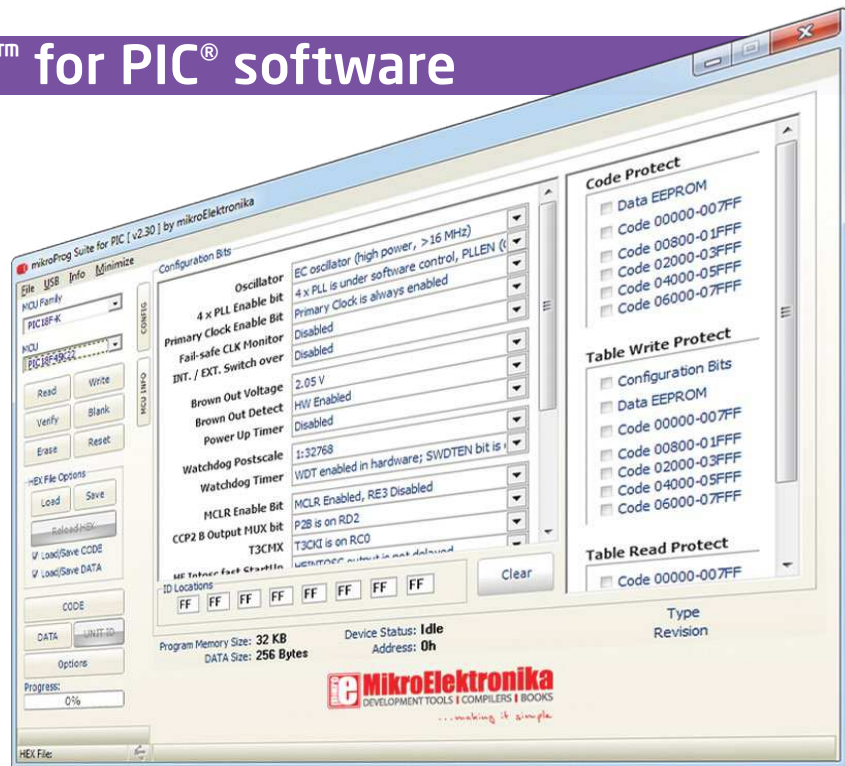
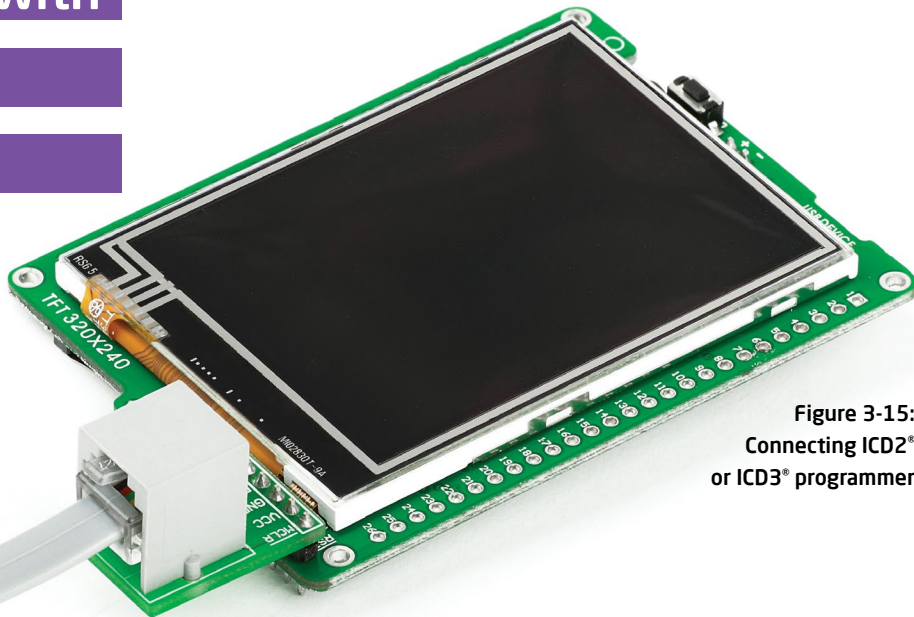


Figure 3-13: Main Window of mikroProg Suite™ for PIC® programming software

# Programming with ICD2® or ICD3® programmer

The microcontroller can be also programmed with **ICD2®** or **ICD3®** programmer. These programmers connects with mikromedia board via **ICD2 CONNECTOR BOARD**.



**Figure 3-15:**  
Connecting ICD2®  
or ICD3® programmer

In order to enable the ICD2® and ICD3® programmers to be connected to the development system, it is necessary to provide an appropriate connector such as the **ICD2 CONNECTOR BOARD**. This connector should be first soldered on the CNS5 connector. Then you should plug the ICD2® or ICD3® programmer into it, Figure 3-14.



## 4. Reset buttons

Board is equipped with a reset button, which is located at the top of the front side (**Figure 4-2**). If you want to reset the circuit, press the reset button. It will generate a low voltage level on the microcontroller reset pin (input). In addition, a reset can be externally provided through **pin 27** on side headers (**Figure 4-3**).

**note** You can also solder an additional reset button on the appropriate place at the back side of the board, **Figure 4-1**.

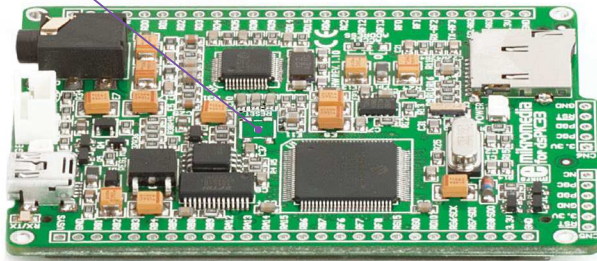
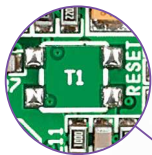


Figure 4-1: Reset button located at the backside of the board

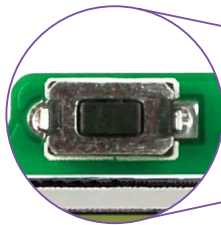


Figure 4-2: Frontal reset button

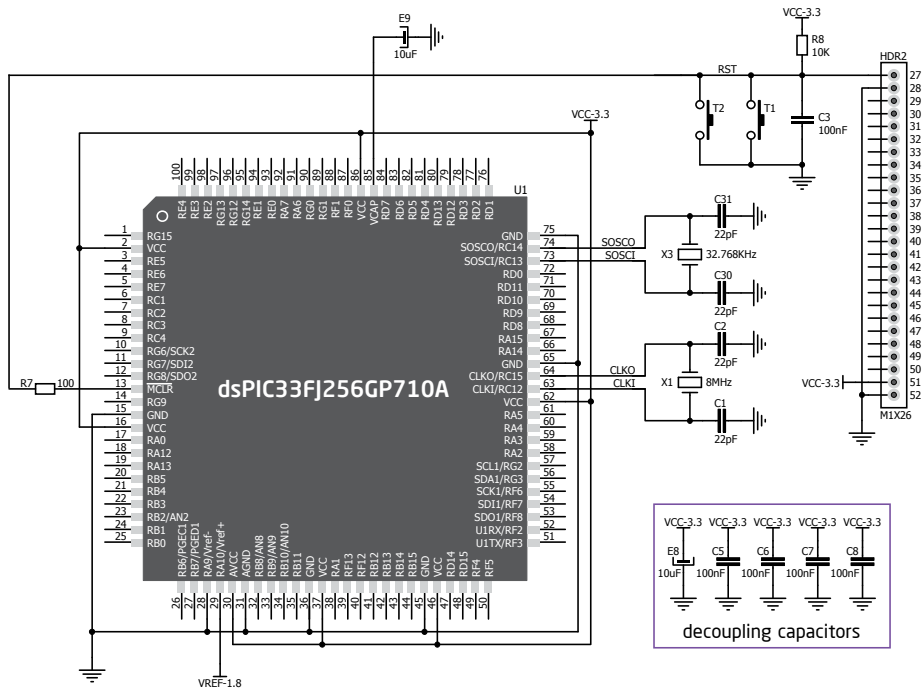


Figure 4-3: Reset circuit schematics



## 5. Crystal oscillator

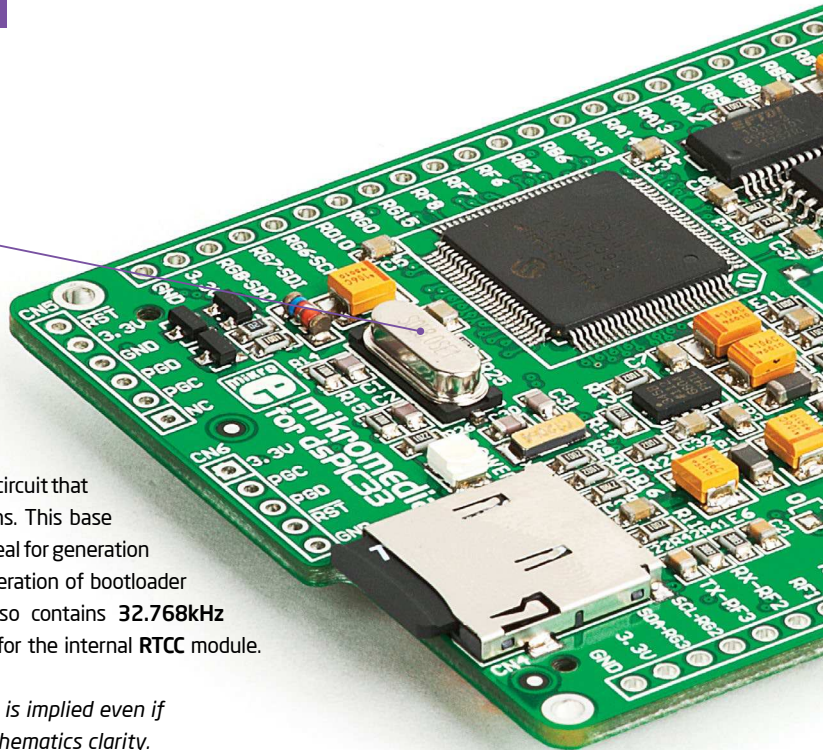


Figure 5-1:  
Crystal oscillator  
module (X1)

Board is equipped with an **8MHz crystal oscillator (X1)** circuit that provides external clock to the microcontroller OSC pins. This base frequency is suitable for further clock multipliers and ideal for generation of the necessary USB clock, which ensures proper operation of bootloader and your custom USB-based applications. Board also contains **32.768kHz Crystal oscillator (X3)** which provides external clock for the internal RTCC module.

### note

*The use of crystal in all other schematics is implied even if it is purposely left out, because of the schematics clarity.*



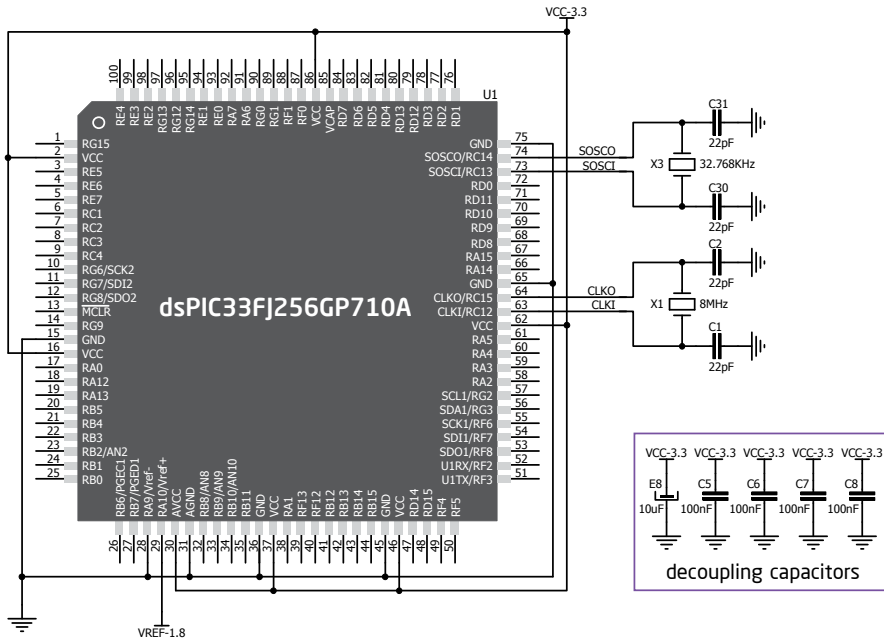


Figure 5-2: Crystal oscillator schematics