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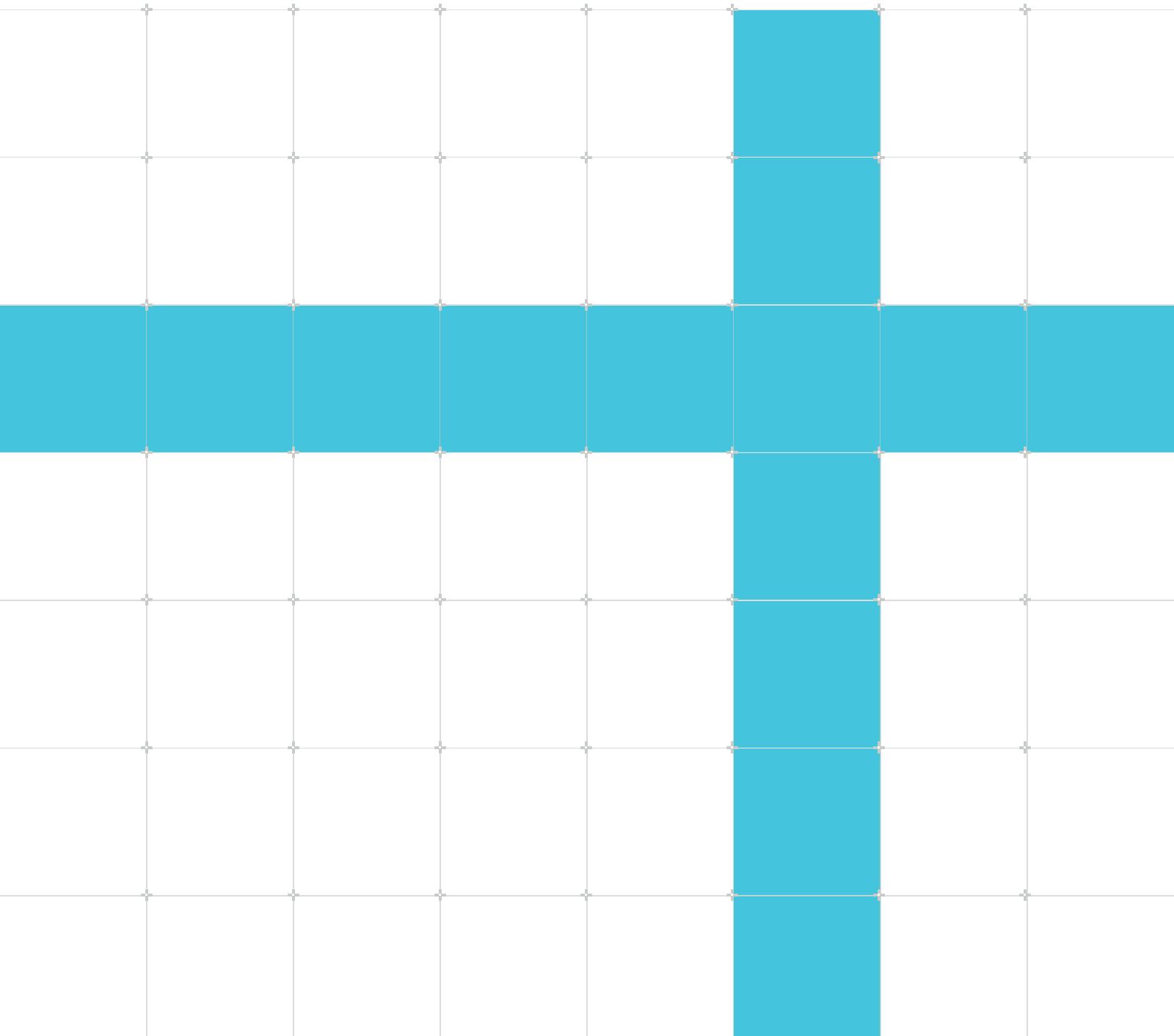
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1. Abstract

Arm offers software developers working with Nuvoton devices based on the Arm Cortex-M processor cores a free-to-use professional Keil MDK v6 tool suite.

This edition includes all tools and software components delivered with Keil MDK v6.

This application note explains how to download, install, and use MDK with Nuvoton devices.



Keil MDK v6 with user-based licensing only supports Arm Compiler 6 and onwards. If you need to take care of a legacy project requiring Arm Compiler 5, please contact [support](#) for help.

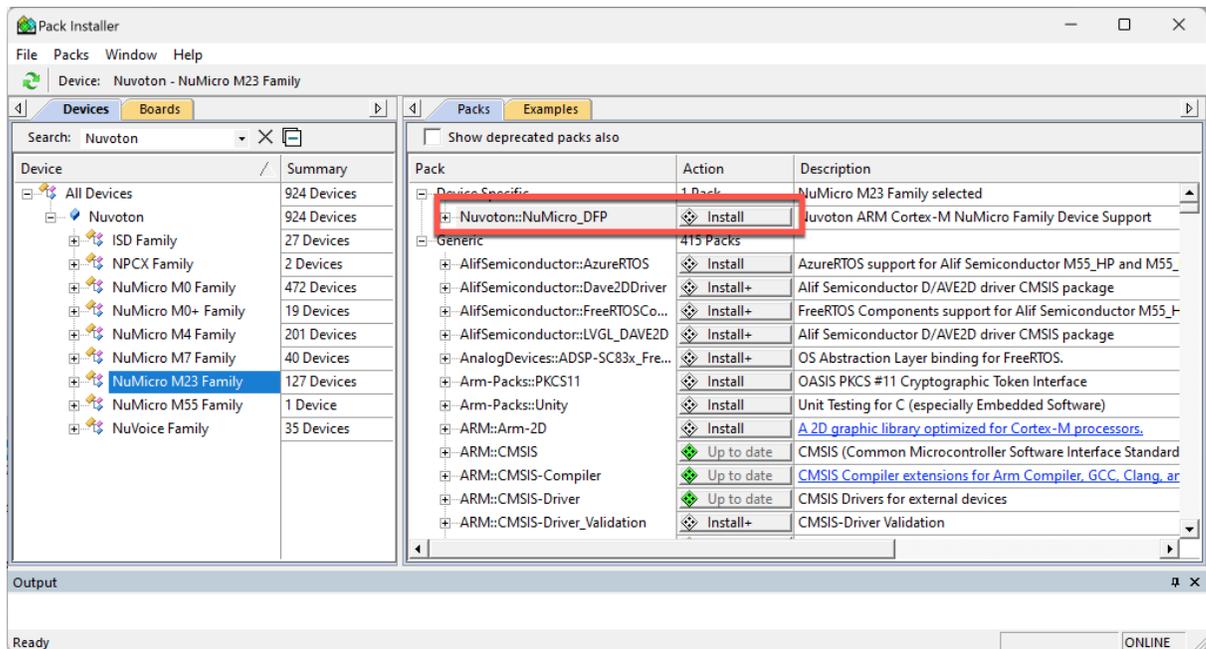
2. Installation

This chapter explains how to download and install Keil MDK on your local computer.

Keil uVision (Windows only)

1. [Download](#) the installer.
2. Run the downloaded MDK5xx.exe installer.
3. Select your installation location. If you have existing MDK installations that you want to keep, select a new folder. Once the installation has finished, Pack Installer opens.
4. In Pack Installer, click **Install** to download and install a device family pack supplied by Nuvoton.

Figure 2-1: Install Nuvoton CMSIS-Packs



Next, you need to [activate](#) your product.

Keil Studio

1. Download and install [Microsoft Visual Studio Code](#) on your computer.
2. Once installed, open the **Extensions** in the activity bar.

Figure 2-2: Open the extensions



3. Search for `keil studio pack` and install the extension.

Next, you need to [activate](#) your product.

3. Activation

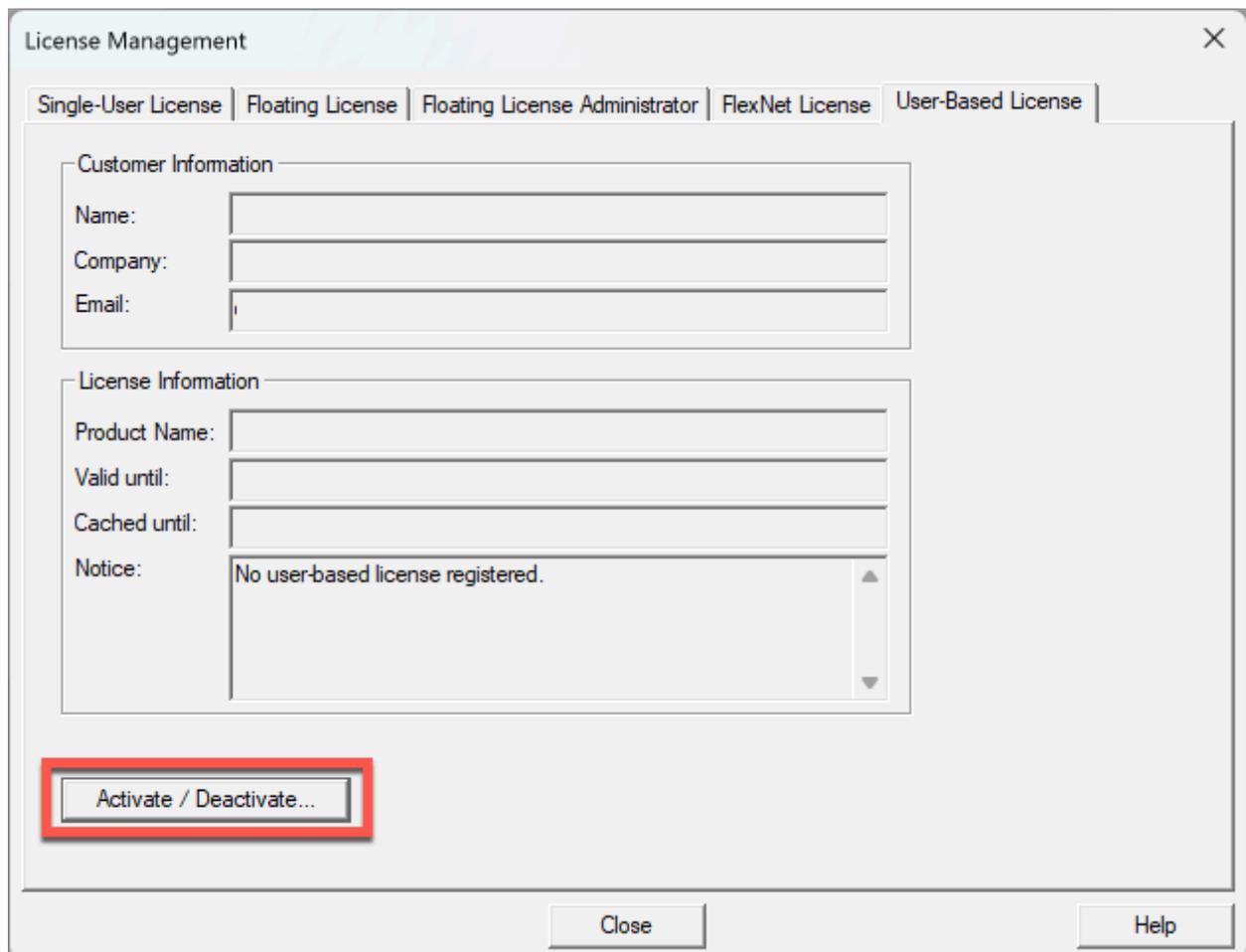
This chapter explains how to activate your product.

Keil uVision

Open uVision and go to **File – License Management...** and select the **User-Based License** tab.

Click the button **Activate / Deactivate**.

Figure 3-1: License Management - User-Based License

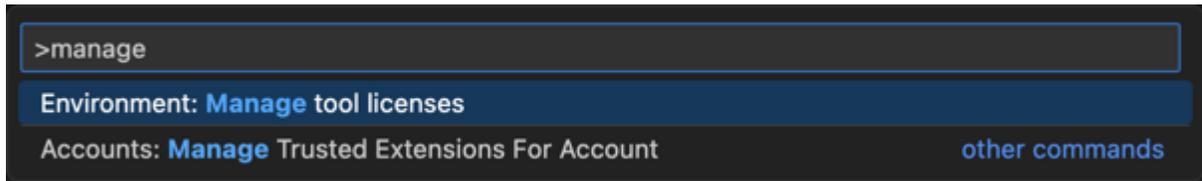


Continue in the [Arm License Management Tool](#).

Keil Studio

Open Visual Studio Code and press Ctrl + Shift + p (Cmd + Shift + p on macOS). In the command box, enter `manage` and select **Environment: Manage tools licenses**:

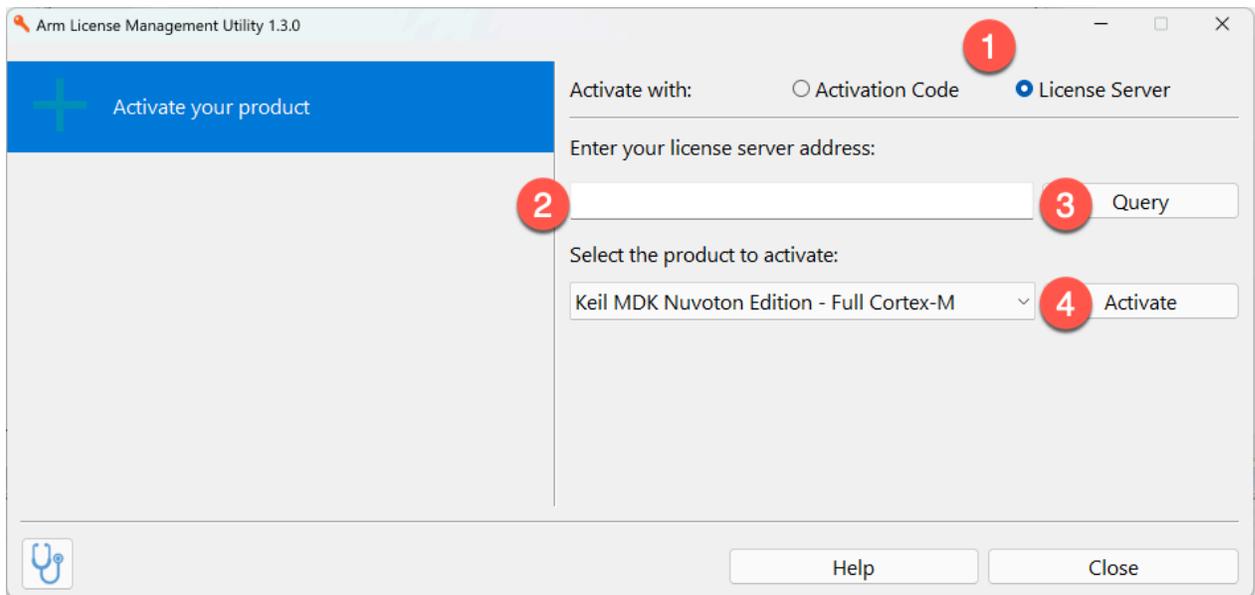
Figure 3-2: Run the manage tools licenses command



Continue in the [Arm License Management Tool](#).

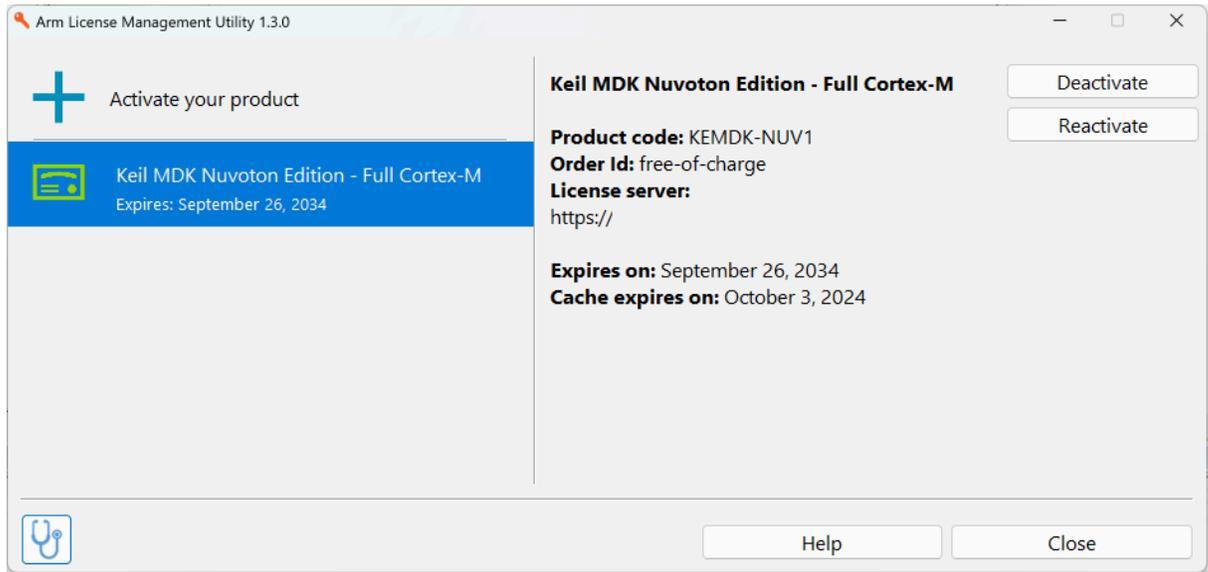
Arm License Management Tool

Figure 3-3: Arm License Management Utility



1. Enable **License Server**.
2. To get the license server address, please visit <https://www.nuvoton.com/keil>.
3. Click the **Query** button. Make sure that the “Keil MDK Nuvoton Edition - Full Cortex-M” is shown.
4. Click on **Activate**. The window changes and shows the information of the activated license:

Figure 3-4: Arm License Activated



Next, test your set up using an [example project](#).

4. Example Projects

This chapter shows how to use example projects from Nuvoton to check the correct set up of the hardware and software.

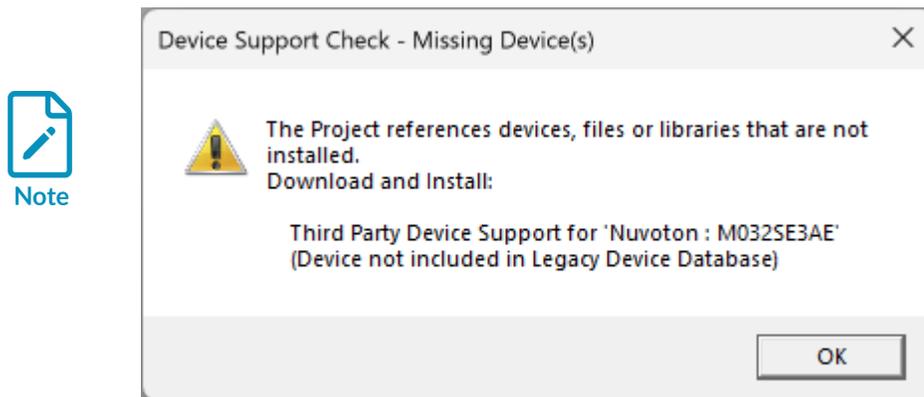
4.1 Keil uVision

Example projects for Nuvoton are available in MDK project format.

1. Go to [Nuvoton's web site](#).
2. Search for an appropriate series and download the ZIP file with the sample code onto your PC.
3. Unzip the file and double-click the uvproj(x) uVision project file.
4. uVision opens and loads the project.

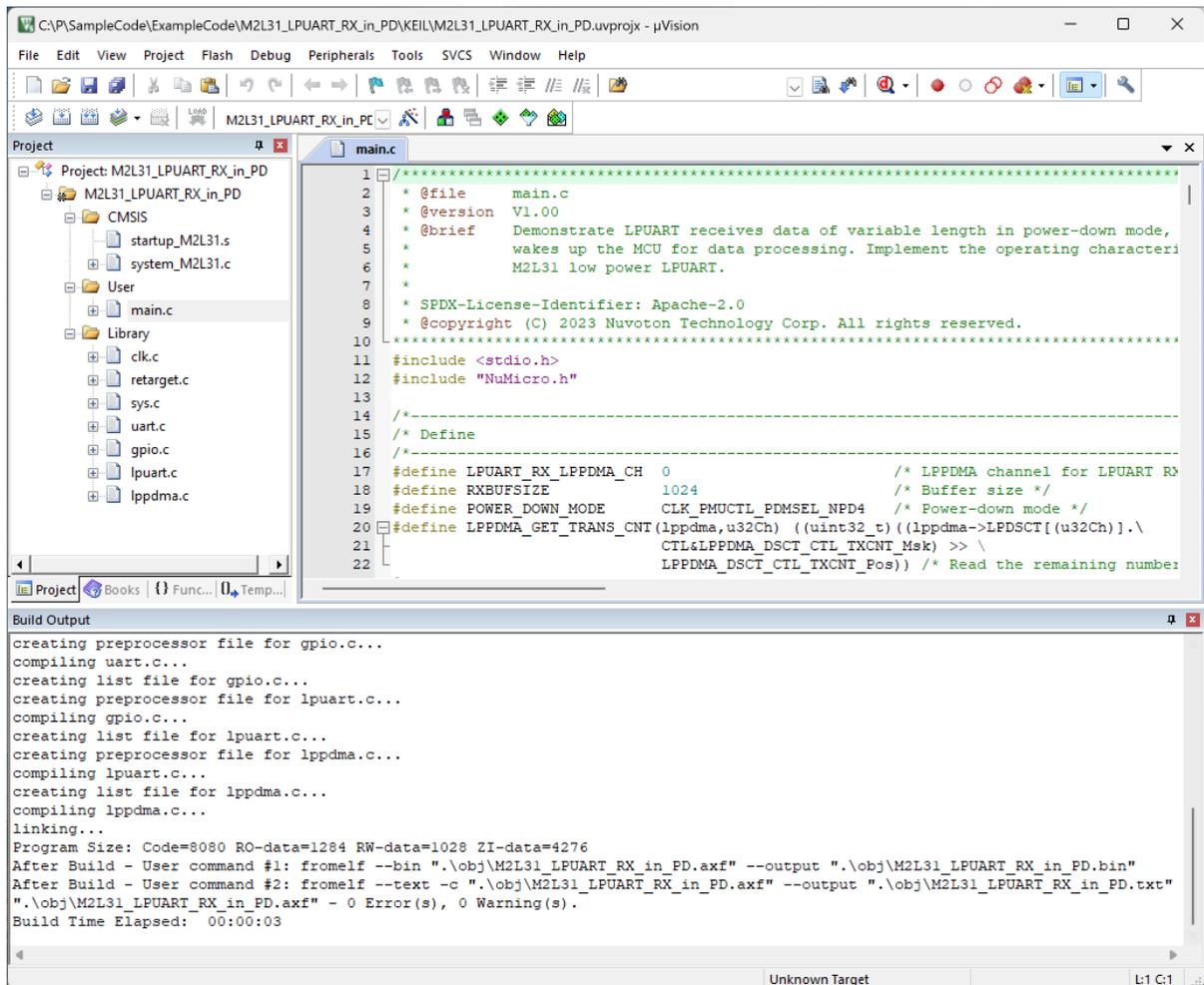
If you see a warning about “missing devices”, you can safely ignore this message.

Figure 4-1: Device Support Check Warning



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5. Build the project.

Figure 4-2: Nuvoton Arm Cortex-M23 project built successfully



4.2 Keil Studio

Keil Studio is able to use uVision projects after conversion.

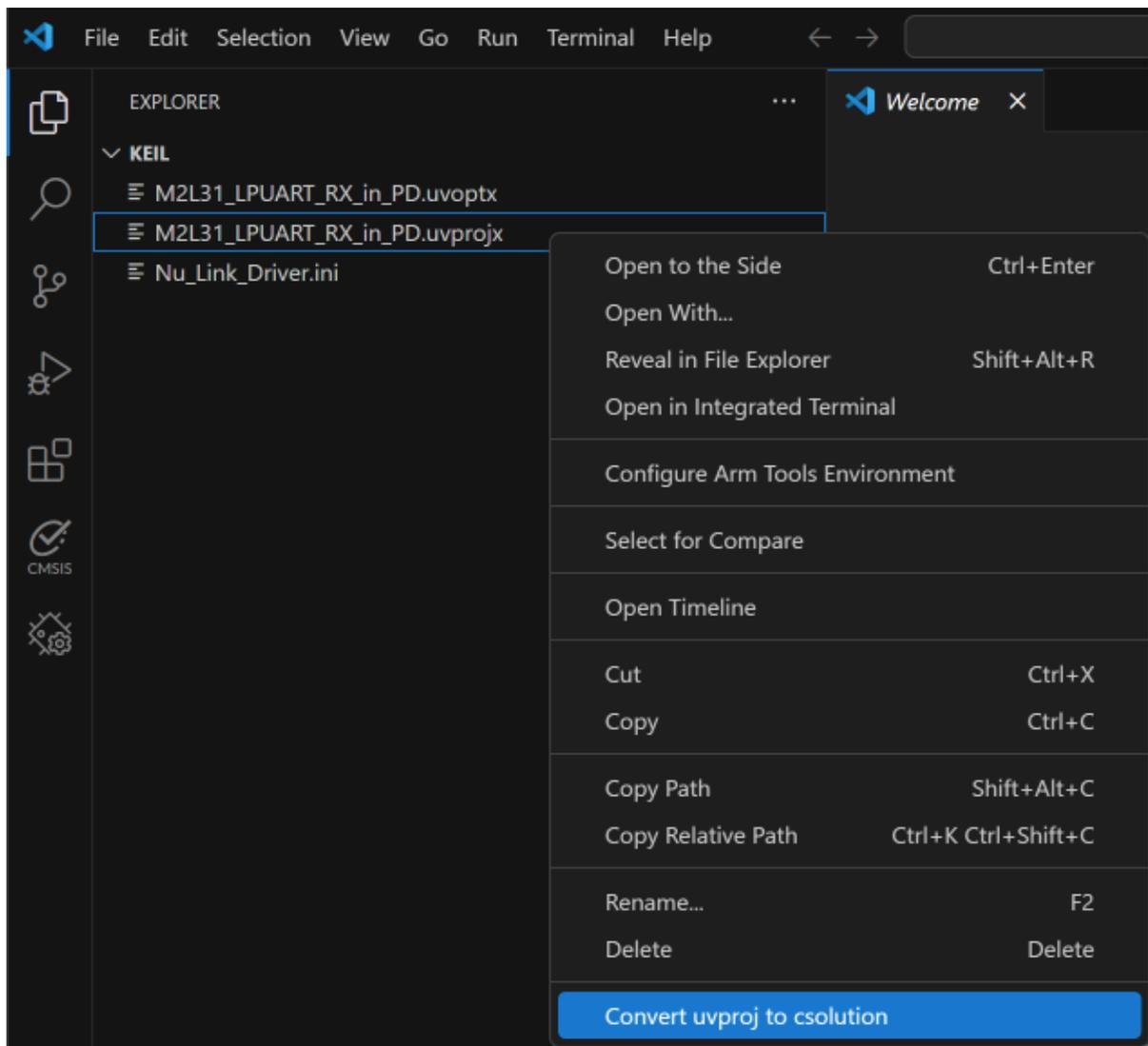
Arm Cortex-M23 and Cortex-M55 based devices

Example projects for Arm Cortex-M23 and Cortex-M55 based devices from Nuvoton are available in MDK v5 project format.

1. Go to [Nuvoton's web site](#).
2. Search for an appropriate series and download the ZIP file with the sample code onto your PC.
3. Unzip the file.
4. Open Keil Studio and go to **File - Open Folder**.
5. Use your file manager to browse to the unzipped directory and open the sub-folder "KEIL".

6. Right-click the uvprojx file and select **Convert uvproj to csolution**:

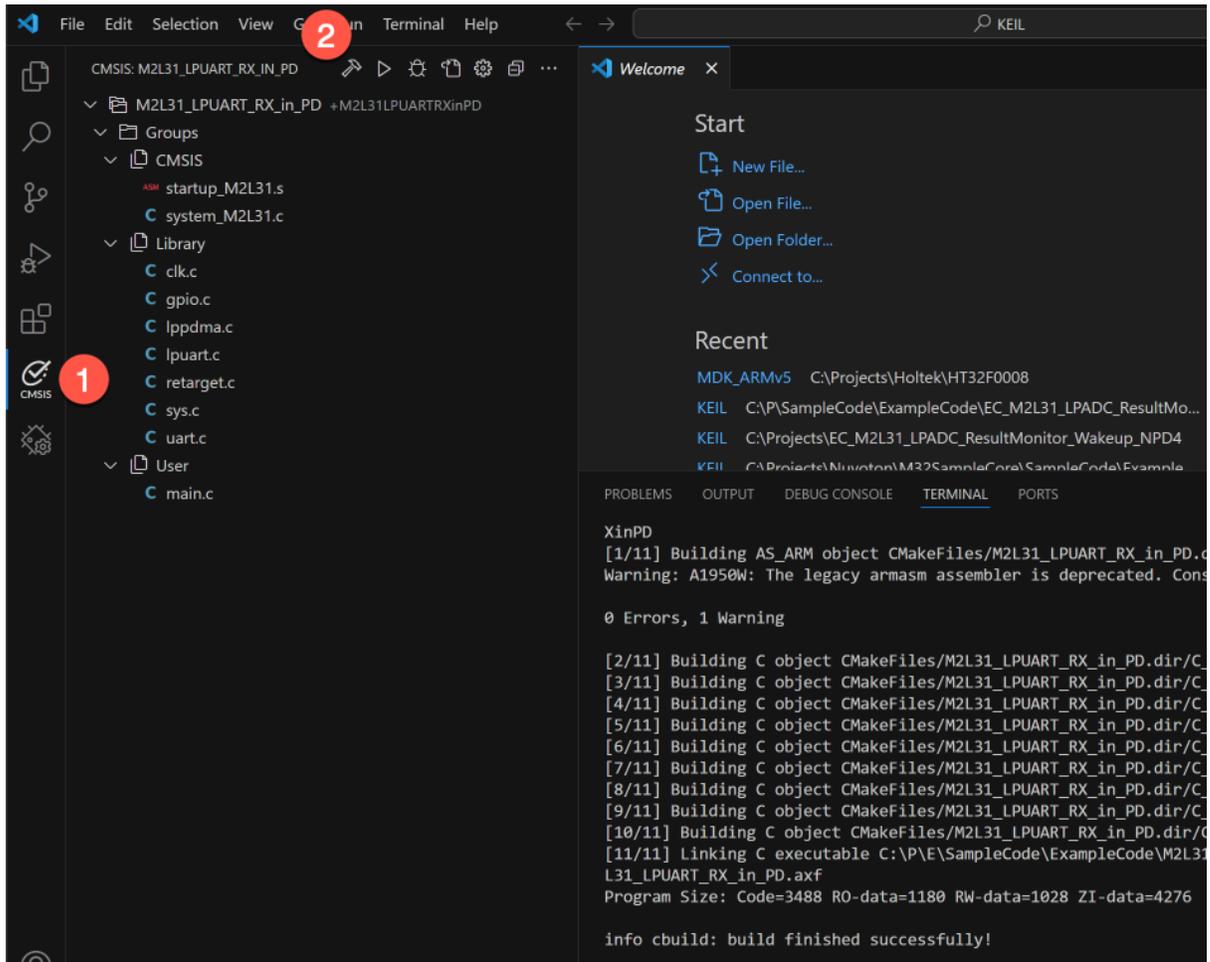
Figure 4-3: Convert uvprojx to csolution



You might get a warning that after build steps cannot be converted. You can ignore this message.

7. Open the CMSIS extension (1) and use the hammer icon (2) to build the project:

Figure 4-4: Build the project

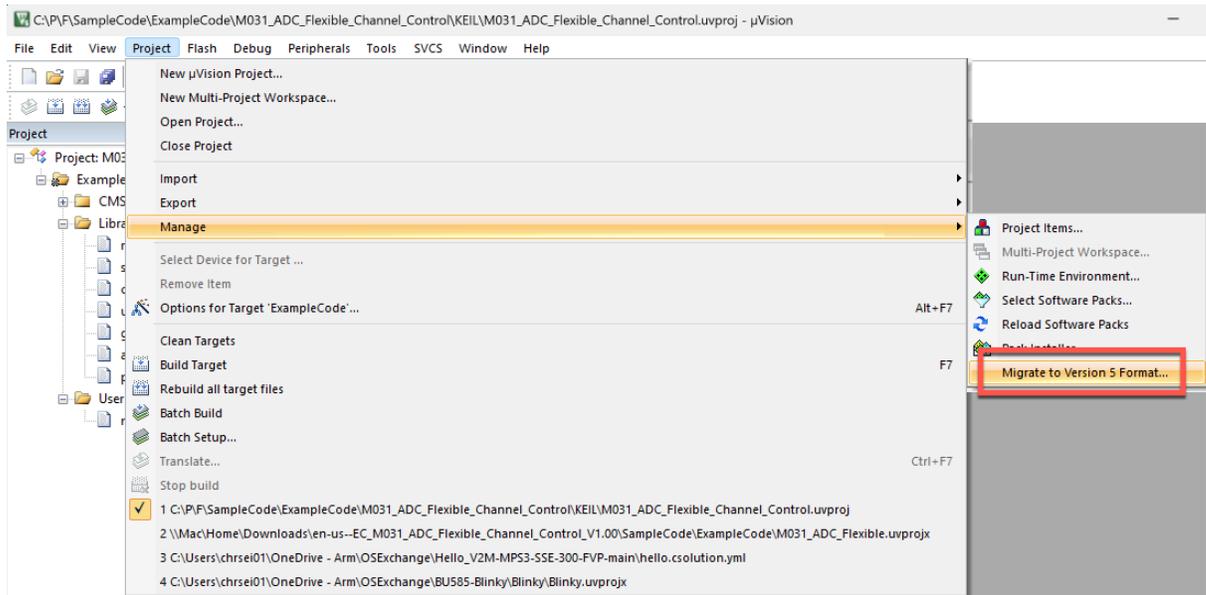


All other Cortex-M based devices

Example projects for Arm Cortex-M0/M0+/M4/M7 based devices from Nuvoton require an additional conversion step as they are shipped in the old MDK v4 project format.

1. Go to [Nuvoton's web site](#).
2. Search for an appropriate series and download the ZIP file with the sample code onto your PC.
3. Unzip the file and double-click the uvproj uVision project file.
4. uVision opens and loads the project.
5. Go to **Project - Manage - Migrate to Version 5 Format...**

Figure 4-5: Project - Manage - Migrate to Version 5 Format...



6. Once the migration is done and the uvprojx file is generated, you can continue as described in the previous section.

Further reading

Congratulations! You can now start working on embedded software development for Nuvoton devices!

If you want to learn more about Keil MDK, download the [Getting Started Guide](#).

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