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User manual

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Abstract	This document gives an overview of the ADK board features of the NXH3670ADK



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1 Scope

This user manual describes the ADK board aspects of the NXH3670ADK (application development kit) which consists of a dongle and headset board. The NXH3670ADK is an example of how an NXH3670 application can be made and is a reference in terms of performance.

2 Dongle

The dongle board ([Ref. 1](#)) basically consists of a KL27 acting as host, the NXH3670, and an antenna.

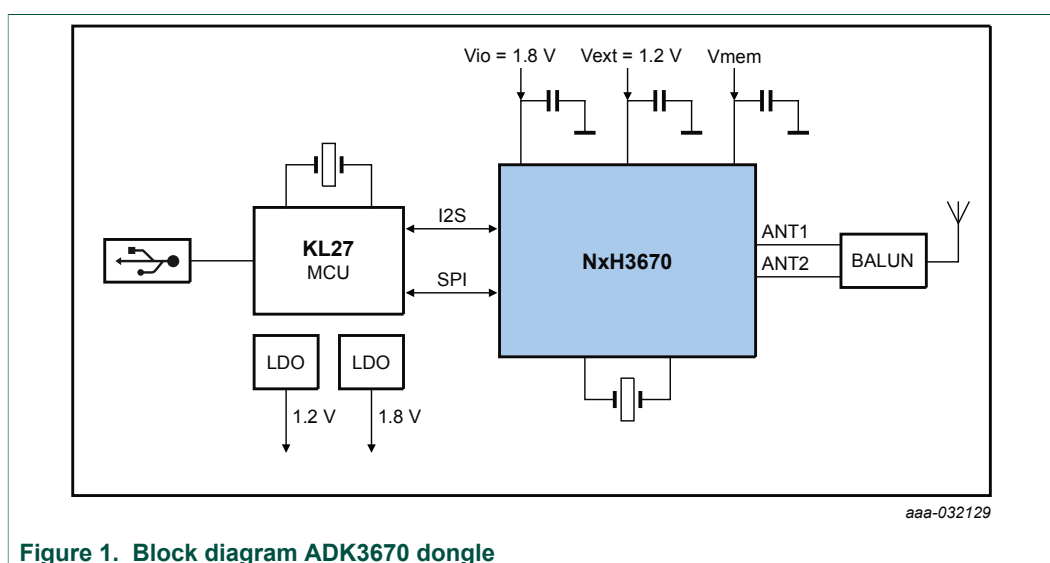


Figure 1. Block diagram ADK3670 dongle

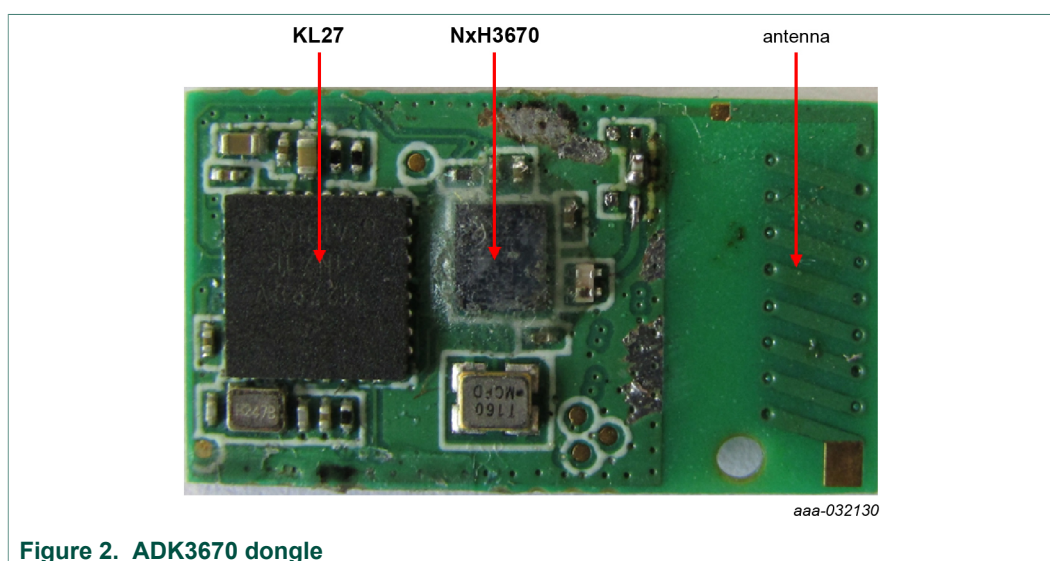
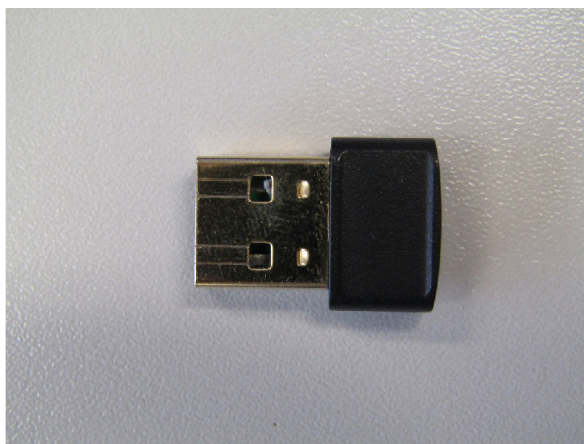


Figure 2. ADK3670 dongle



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Figure 3. ADK3670 dongle in plastic

The dongles are delivered in a housing that can be inserted in a USB slot directly. Since the housing is glued, do not open it.

2.1 KL27

Similar to the SDK board, the dongle is using a KL27 as host controller. To minimize the design in terms of size (and cost), a 32-pins QFN version of the KL27 was used while the SDK board is using a 64-pins BGA version.

The KL27 controls the NXH3670 via a SPI interface and converts the USB audio into I²S. The KL27 is master for both SPI and I²S. The programming is done via USB.

The KL27 integrated flash memory is storing all firmware used for the KL27 and the NXH3670.

2.2 NXH3670

The RF output of the NXH3670 is directly connected to the antenna. There is no possibility to do conducted RF measurements.

2.3 Antenna

The dongle has an embedded helical PCB antenna. A dedicated app note is available about the antenna design (see [Ref. 3](#)).

3 Headset

The headset board consists basically of a KL27 acting as a host, NXH3670, codec, PMU, and antenna. Next to that some peripherals are present such as rotary switches, audio jack, debug connectors, power button, etc (see [Ref. 2](#) for the full schematic).

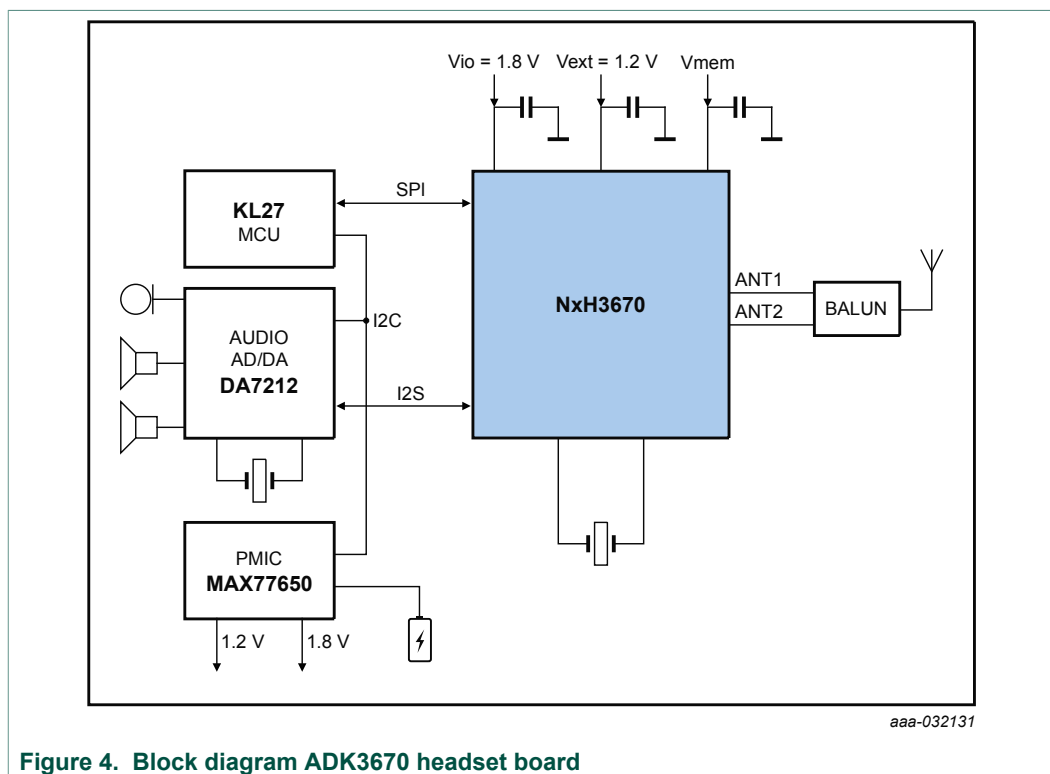
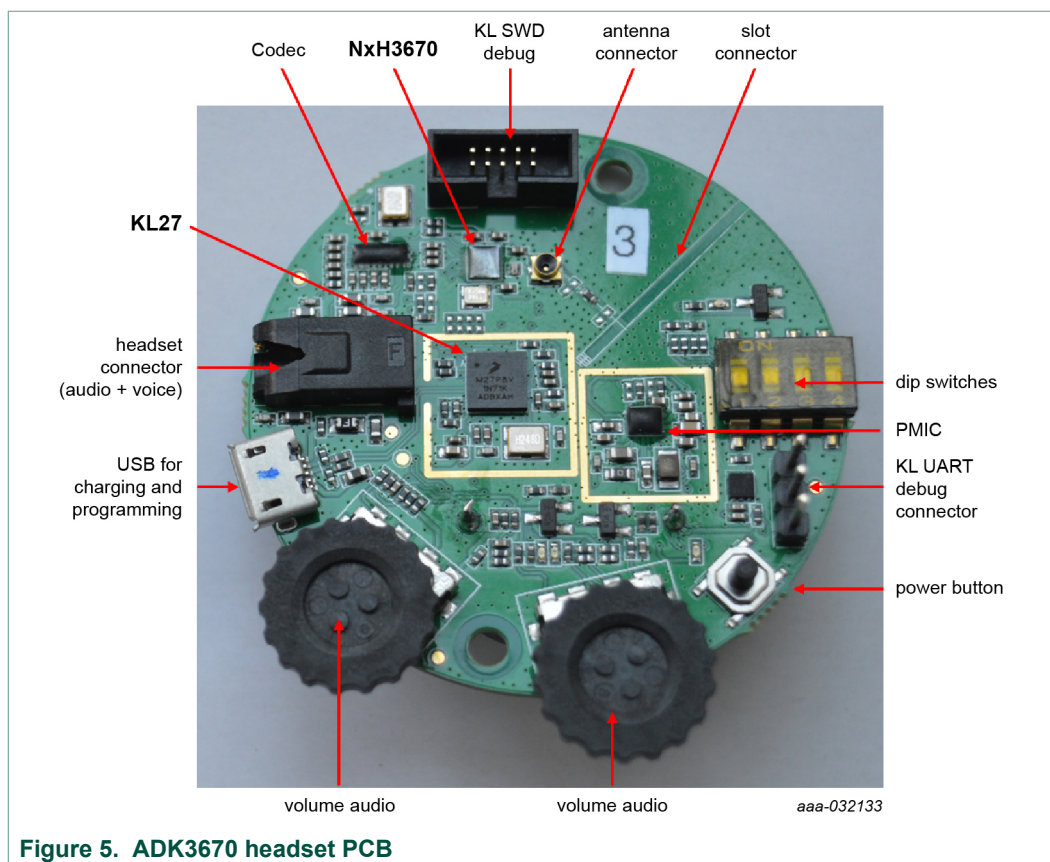


Figure 4. Block diagram ADK3670 headset board



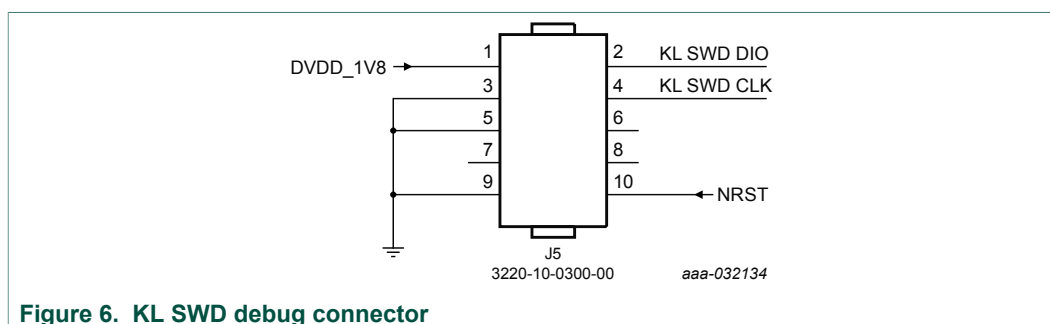
3.1 KL27

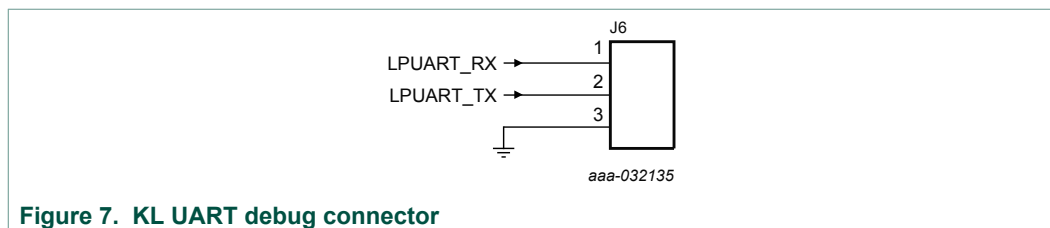
The same 64-pins BGA version of the KL27 is used as on the SDK board. Programming of the KL27 is done via USB while debug of the KL can be done via the SWD connection.

The KL27 controls the NXH3670 via a SPI and the codec via I²C. The KL27 acts as master for both SPI and I²C.

A pin header is foreseen to debug the KL27 by using the UART interface.

The KL27 integrated flash memory is storing all firmware used for KL27 and NXH3670.

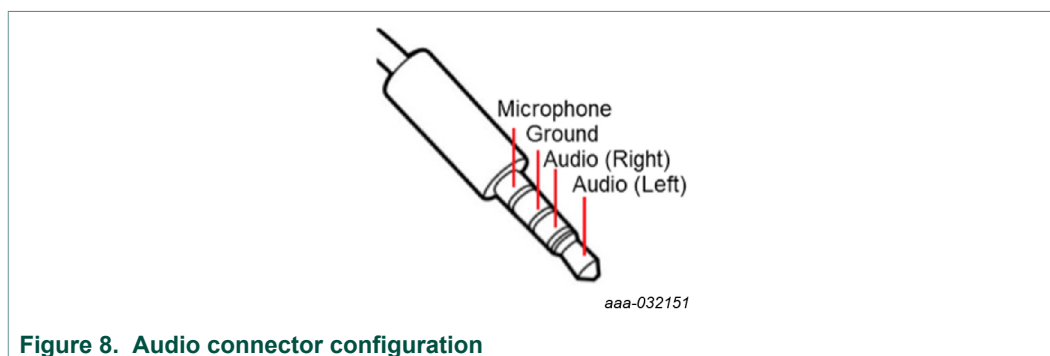




3.2 Codec

To improve the power consumption, a different codec was used compared to the SDK board. The ADK3670 uses the DA7212 from the dialog semiconductor. The I²S audio coming from the NXH3670 is connected with the codec. The codec acts as I²S master.

The codec is connected with a 4-pole audio connector and configured according to the CTIA standard.



3.3 PMU

While the SDK board was using discrete components for the supply and charging, a single device is used for the ADK3670 headset. The selected PMU is the MAX77650 from Maxim Semiconductors and contains a 1.2 V supply, a 1.8 V supply, and a charging circuit. The charging is done via USB.

3.4 NXH3670

The NXH3670 has an antenna connector to do conducted RF measurements. If no RF cable is attached, the slot antenna is connected.

RF adapters from Murata MXHS83QE1000 or MM126056 are available to convert to SMA.

3.5 Antenna

The ADK3670 headset board contains a slot antenna which is described in detail in a dedicated application note (see [Ref. 4](#)).

3.6 USB

The headset board can be charged and programmed via USB.

3.7 Rotary and dip switches

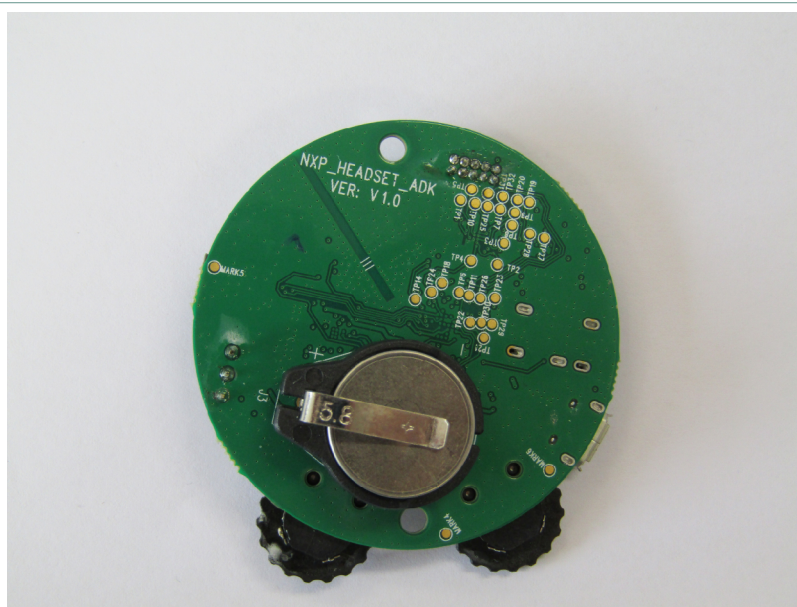
The rotary switches are intended for the volume control of the microphone and audio. The software defines the function of the dip switches.

3.8 Power button

The board can be powered up with the power button which is directly connected to the MAX77650. To switch off the board, the power button must be pressed for about 20 seconds (see the MAX77650 data sheet for more information).

3.9 Battery

The headset board is supplied by a Varta battery (CP1654A2). The battery is charged via USB. As mentioned in the data sheet of the battery, charging must happen between 0 °C and 45 °C. Discharging can be done between -20 °C and +60 °C.



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Figure 9. Backside ADK3670 headset

3.10 Known limitations

PMIC generates spurious interrupts

When no battery is connected, the PMIC (MAX77650) generates spurious interrupts. The reference application gracefully handles these spurious interrupts. No functionality is harmed. However it causes higher current consumption.

External Xtal on ADK is always enabled

The ADK crystal driving the codec and I²S bus has an enable pin. However, this pin is hardwired to a pull-up resistor. When the headset does not receive audio, the crystal cannot be disabled. It consumes power regardless. When using the ADK design as a reference, ensure that the enable pin for the crystal is connected to a KL27 GPIO. In this way, when the crystal does not have to be active, the current consumption is reduced dynamically.

Missing pull-up resistor for MAX77650 nIRQ

Using the internal pull-ups of the KL27 seems to work, although they are only 20 kΩ instead of 100 kΩ.

4 Abbreviations

Table 1. Abbreviations

Acronym	Description
ADK	application development kit
BGA	ball grid array
PCB	printed-circuit board
PMU	power management unit
RF	radio frequency
SDK	software development kit
SPI	serial peripheral interface
SWD	serial wire debug
UART	universal asynchronous receiver-transmitter
USB	universal serial bus

5 References

- [1] **Schematic dongle** — NxH3670_0009_GEN_ADK_Dongle_Schematic_Rev1.01
- [2] **Schematic headset** — NxH3670_0013_GEN_ADK_Headset_Schematic_Rev.1.00
- [3] **AN12243 application note** — NxH3670 dongle antenna; 2018, NXP Semiconductors
- [4] **AN12242 application note** — NxH3670 hadphone antenna; 2018, NXP Semiconductors

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