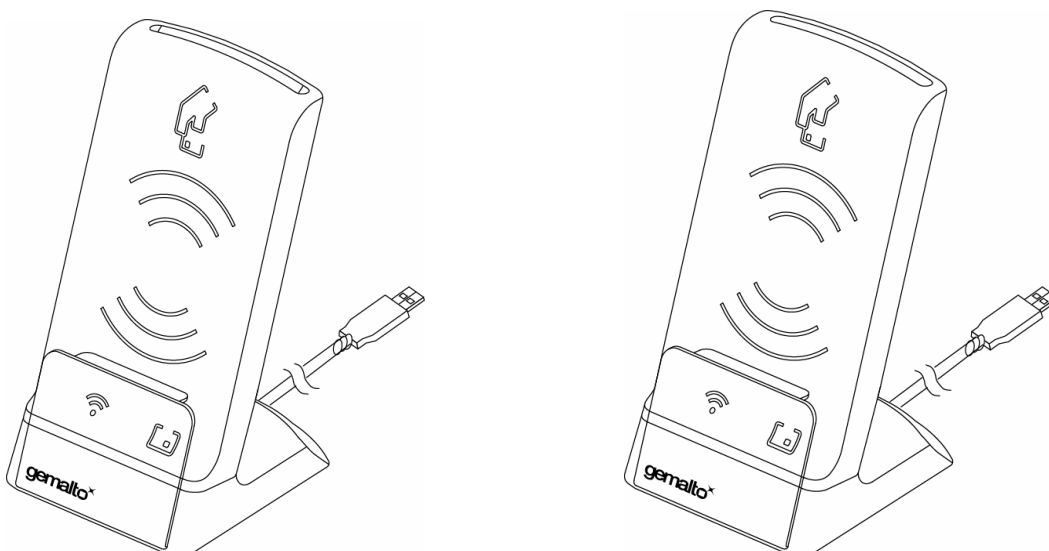


Prox-DU & Prox-SU

Dual interface USB smart card reader

Release Notes



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Introduction

This document provides informations for the different firmware releases and the known issues and limitations related to the use of the Prox-DU and Prox-SU dual interface (contactless and contact) USB smart card reader/writer.

This document is applicable to the following references, revision B and later:

Model	Reference	Comments
Prox-DU	HWP118184	Dual interface USB smart card reader Contact & contactless
Prox-SU	HWP118185	Contactless interface USB smart card reader With optional SIM/SAM slot
Prox-DU with stand	HWP118830	Prox-DU with a stand for vertical use
Prox-SU with stand	HWP118831	Prox-SU with a stand for vertical use

Table 1 – Dual interface USB smart card reader/writer models

For information on how to use the smart card reader/writer, please refer to the “Reference Manual” document.

Who Should Read This Book

This installation guide is designed for developers of PC/SC smart card application or solution integrators.

Contact Our Hotline

If you do not find the information you need in this document, or if you find errors, contact the Gemalto hotline at <http://support.gemalto.com/>.

Please note the document reference number, your job function, and the name of your company. (You will find the document reference number at the bottom of the document.)

Overview

Description

The Prox-DU and the Prox-SU are Gemalto smart card reader/writers embedding the Prox and the GemCore technologies developed by Gemalto to interface contactless and contact smart cards:

- The Prox-DU is a **dual interface (contact and contactless)** USB smart card reader/writer:

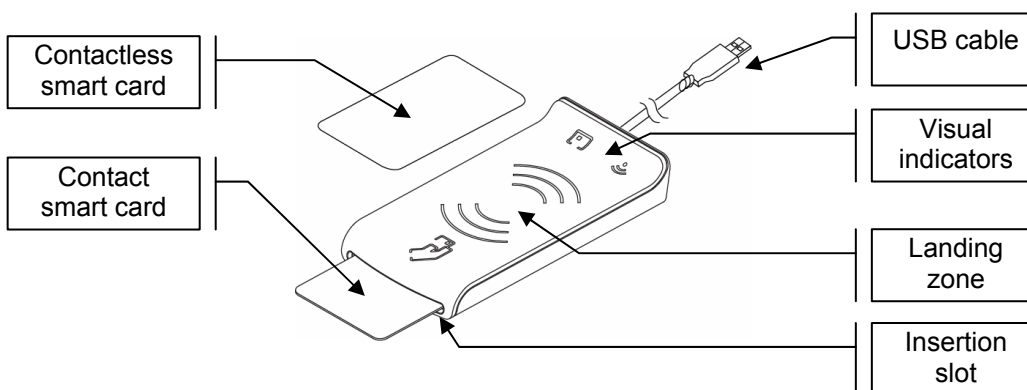


Figure 1 – Prox-DU view

- The Prox-SU is a **contactless interface** USB smart card reader including an internal SIM/SAM card slot:

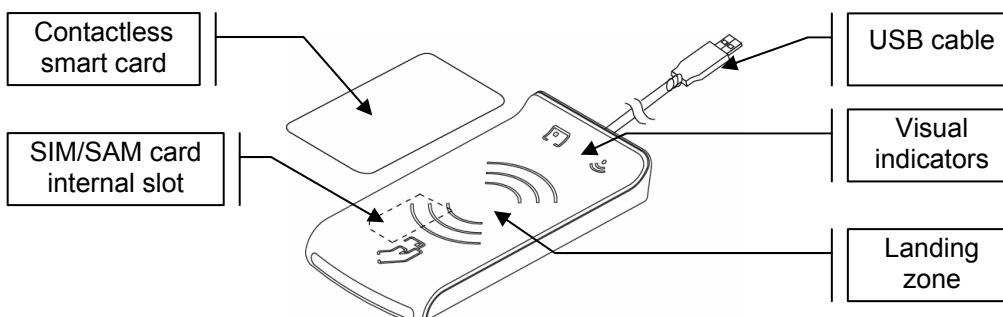


Figure 2 – Prox-SU view

The Prox technology complies with ISO14443 standard related to proximity cards applicable to type A and type B contactless smart cards.

The Prox technology uses MIFARE® (a registered trademark of NXP) technology as part of its integrated solution.

The GemCore technology complies with ISO7816 and EMV standard related to contact smart cards.

Both technologies also provide visual feedback for each smart card interface.

A stand can be delivered for vertical use:

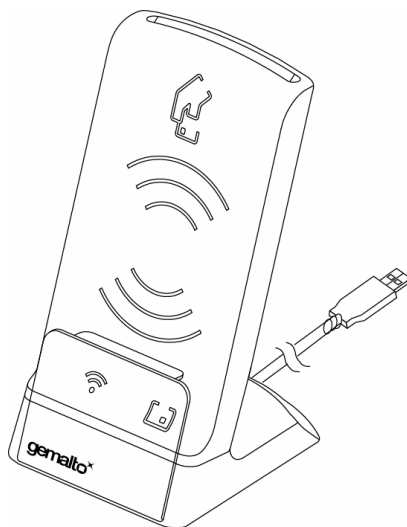


Figure 3 – Prox-DU with the stand for vertical use

Main Features

The Prox-DU and The Prox-SU have the following common features:

- Up-to-date architecture using the Gemalto Prox and GemCore technologies
- Ability to drive any type of ISO14443-A&B T=CL contactless smart cards
- Ability to drive any type of MIFARE[®] contactless smart cards
- Ability to drive any type of ISO7816 contact smart card or SIM/SAM card
- Support for smart card with a higher baud rate (contact and contactless)
- Easily upgradeable download of the latest features
- Standard USB Full speed interface, bus powered (no external power supply required)
- Unique USB serial number which enables that the device can be plugged into any USB slot on a computer without having to re-install the driver
- Standard CCID interface for both smart card slot (contact and contactless)
- Standard HID interface for device administration
- No need of a proprietary USB driver. The standard CCID and HID drivers of the computer can be used
- PC/SC V2.0 compliant
- Embedded protection against dual interface smart card damage with switch feature to select the active interface (contact or contactless)

Prox and GemCore are Gemalto proprietary technologies developed for contactless and contact reader/writers. It is based on a specific operating system that interfaces with contactless and contact smart cards.

Firmware Versioning Rules

The string of the reader firmware version is composed of several fields:

<Name> <separator> <Release version> <separator> <Customer> <separator>
<Casing/usage> <Order number>

Name:	"Gemalto_Pro_DU"	product name of Prox Dual reader
	"Gemalto_Prox_SU"	product name of Prox SU reader
Separator:	"_"	
Release version:	"Vx.yz"	release version number x.yz
Separator:	"_"	
Customer:	"G"	Gemalto
Casing/Usage:	"XD"	Official release
	"W"	working release
Order number:	"nn"	incremental number for each version. "00" to "99"
		It restarts to 00 when the release version number is incremented

For an easy reading, only the version string Vx.yz-GXDnn is given in the next tables below.

Known Issues and Limitations

The Prox-DU and the Prox-SU devices have the following limitations for all the operating systems:

- The contactless interface will only support the T=1 protocol.

Consequently any connection requiring the T=0 protocol will not be accepted by the contactless interface.

- Multi-activation of contactless smart cards is not supported.

Consequently the first smart card detected in front of the reader/writer will be activated. The remaining smart cards will be ignored.

- The communication with the contactless interface and the contact interface shall be exclusive.

Consequently the application shall not use the two interfaces simultaneously. Else communication errors can occur.

The next table gives a list of the known issues and limitations depending on the operating system used. For each issue a workaround is given.

Prox-DU & Prox-SU

Version String	Operating System	Known issue	Workaround
V1.04-GXD01	Windows XP Vista Seven	Prox-DU & Prox-SU: Simultaneous use of the contact and the contactless interface may freeze the device	Prox-DU: Do not use the the dual interface card protection in off mode Prox-SU: Do not use the two interfaces simulatneously When the device is frozen, unplug and replug the USB cable to recover a proper operation
	Windows XP	Prox-SU: When the computer is restarting it may happen the internal SIM/SAM card is not detected by the device	Unplug and replug the USB cable to recover a proper operation
	Windows XP Vista Seven	Prox-SU: Enabling/Disabling the USB smart card reader , Installing/Uninstalling the USB smart card reader, from the Device Manager window may cause an issue	These operations should be done from the composite device and not the USB smart card reader
	Windows Vista	Prox-SU: When the computer is restarting or rebooting, the contactless card notification event may not be detected	Unplug and replug the USB cable to recover a proper operation
	Windows Seven	Prox-DU: Some "exotic" contacless cards may not be recognized by the device Some "exotic" dual cards may not be recognized by the device	Unplug and replug the USB cable to recover a proper operation

Table 2 – Known issues and limitations

Revision History Table

The next table gives a list of all the versions delivered for the Prox-DU and Prox-SU devices.

Version String	Comments	Date
V1.04-GXD01	Initial release	March 2010

Table 3 – Revision history

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