User Guide for Config Tools for i.MX



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Chapter 1 Introduction

The Config Tools for i.MX is part of MCUXpresso Config Tools, a suite of evaluation and configuration tools that help users from initial evaluation to production software development. Config Tools for i.MX is an easy-to-use way to configure the pins and DDR of the i.MX processor devices. The software, in general, enables you to create, inspect, change, and modify any aspect of the pin configuration and muxing of the device. It also allows you to configure and validate DDR settings. This document describes the basic components of the Config Tools for i.MX and lists the steps to configure and use them to configure both pins and DDR.

NOTE
Only the standalone desktop version is currently available for i.MX processors.

1.1 Features

The Config Tools for i.MX consists of the Pins, TEE and DDR tools.

The Pins tool is designed for:

- · Configuration of pin routing/muxing
- · Managing different functions used for routing initialization
- · Configuration of pin functional/electrical properties
- · Generation of code for routing and functional/electrical properties

The DDR tool is designed for:

- · Configuration of DDR controllers
- · Validation of DDR configuration

The Pins tool can be used to define routing of pins for target device/board. The tool configuration may be shared using the stored configuration in the MEX file or by using the generated C or DTSI (optional) snippet files (via Import/Export or via copy-paste of the generated source).

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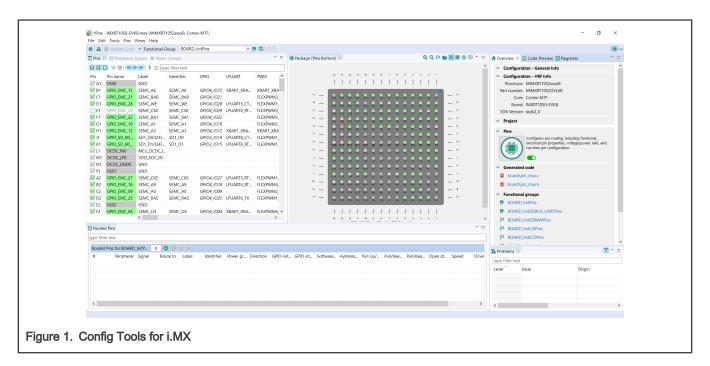
The Pins Tool, in general, generates code for routing the pin to the peripheral, but not for the configuration of the peripheral. Some peripherals might need additional configuration of the pin to assign function or channel. For example, for some ADC the routing provide connection between pin and the ADC peripheral. You can then assign the ADC channel from within the ADC peripheral.

The DDR tool allows you to view and configure basic DDR attributes, such as memory type, frequency, number of channels and others and test the DDR configuration by a variety of tests. After you have specified the connection type, you can choose scenarios, tests to run in these scenarios, and view the test results, logs, and summary.

1.2 Versions

For i.MX, the tool is referred to as Config Tools for i.MX and is available as a desktop application only. The tool contacts the NXP server and fetches the list of the available processors. Once used, the processors data is retrieved on demand. To use the desktop tool in the offline mode, create a configuration for the given processor while online. The tool will then store the processors locally in the user folder and enable faster access and offline use.

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1.3 Tools localization

Tools are available in English and Simplified Chinese only.

The locale of Tools automatically copies the global settings of your computer.

To set the locale manually, add the following parameter to the command line:

tools.exe -nl zh

You can also set the locale in the tools.ini file by adding the following line:

-Duser.language=zh

NOTE

Setting your system locale to Chinese automatically launches the tool with localized Chinese menu items, tool tips, and help. You may need to delete the *[home_dir]/.nxp* folder after switching languages because some menu items may be cached.

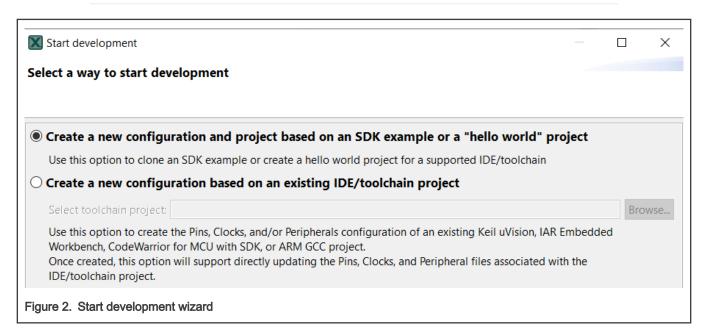
Chapter 2 User Interface

2.1 Start Development wizard

Upon starting Config Tools, you are automatically welcomed by a startup wizard. With this wizard, you can create a configuration or open an existing one.

NOTE

To skip the wizard on subsequent startups, select the Always open last configuration checkbox below the Open an existing configuration option. You can also perform the same action by selecting the Automatically open previously used configuration checkbox in Preferences.



NOTE

The content of this wizard is similar to the wizard that you open by selecting File > New in the Menu bar.

2.2 Creating, saving, and opening a configuration

In this context, configuration stands for common tools settings stored in an MEX (Microcontrollers Export Configuration) file. This file contains settings of all available tools . The folder with the saved MEX file must contain exactly one project file to be able to parse the toolchain project.

2.2.1 Creating a new configuration

You can create a configuration from the Start development wizard or by selecting File > New from the Menu bar.

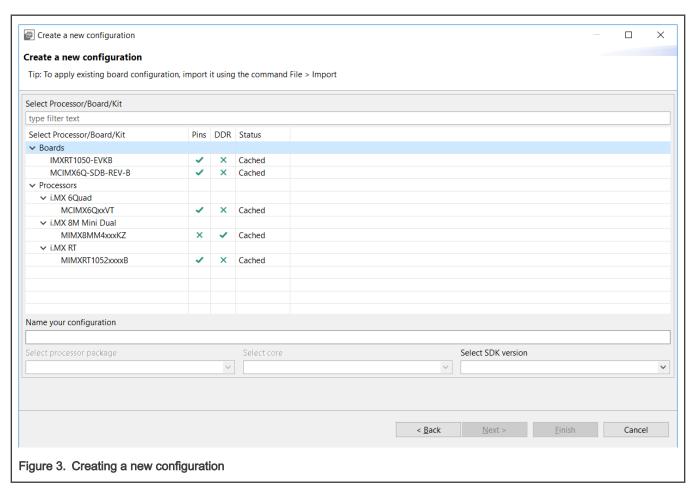
If you start creating your development for any NXP board or kit, we recommended you start with example to create a configuration for a board or a kit. Such configuration contains board-specific settings. If you select a processor, the configuration will be empty.

After the new configuration is created, you can continue by importing an existing configuration from an MEX file. It is useful if you already have a configuration available or if you want to reuse a previous configuration. To import an existing configuration from an MEX file, select **File > Import... > Import configuration (*.mex)** from the **Menu bar**.

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2.2.1.1 Creating a new standalone configuration

You can create a new configuration that is not part of any toolchain project.



To create a standalone configuration, do the following:

- 1. In the **Start development** wizard select **Create a new standalone configuration for processor, board, or kit**. Alternatively, in the **Menu bar**, select **File > New**.
- 2. Click Next.
- 3. Select the processor, board, or kit from the list.

NOTE

If you are working offline, you will only see locally saved options. For more information, see the Working offline section.

- 4. Name your configuration. Optionally, you can select processor package, core, and SDK version.
- 5. Click Finish.

2.2.2 Saving a configuration

To save your configuration for future use, select **File>Save** from the **Menu bar**.

To save a back-up of your configuration, do the following:

1. In the Menu bar, select File>Save Copy As.

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- 2. In the dialog, specify the name and destination of the configuration.
- 3. Click Save.

The folder with the saved MEX file must contain exactly one project file to be able to parse the toolchain project.

2.2.3 Opening an existing configuration

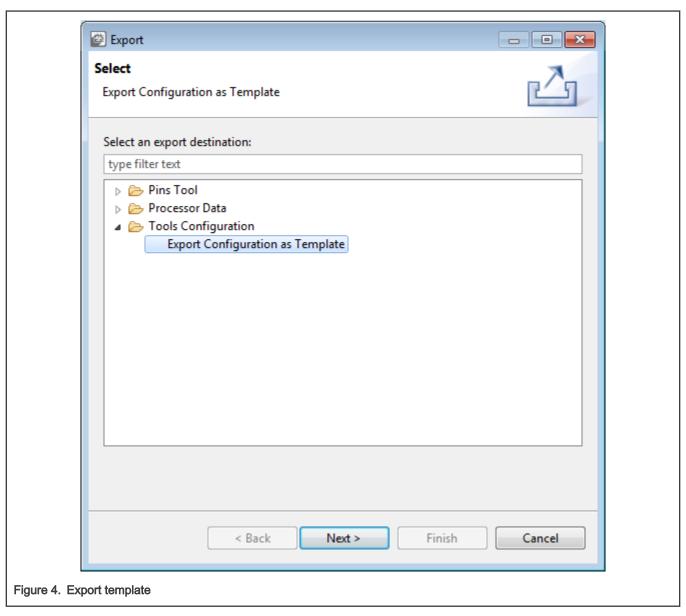
To open an existing configuration, do the following:

- 1. In the Start development wizard, select Open an existing configuration. Alternatively, in the Menu bar, select File > Open.
- 2. Click Browse to navigate to your configuration file.
- 3. Select the configuration file and click Open.
- 4. Optionally, select Always open last configuration to skip the Start development wizard and load the last-saved configuration by default.

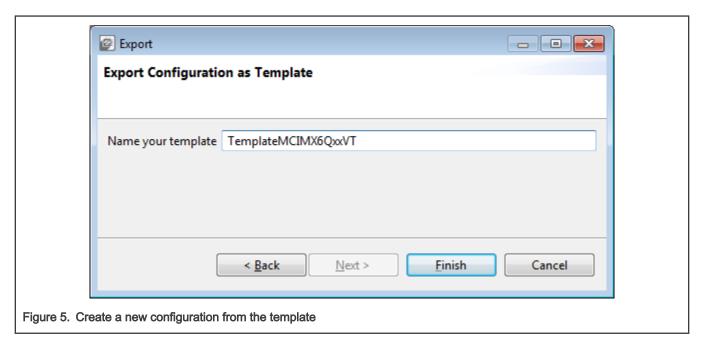
2.2.4 User templates

You can export and store the current configuration as a user template for later use as a reference configuration file.

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The exported template is available in the **New Configuration** wizard and can be used to create a configuration. You can also define custom labels for pins or identifiers prefixes for #define in generated code. You can export the configuration by selecting, in the **Menu bar**, **File > Export > Tools Configuration > Export Configuration as Template**.



NOTE

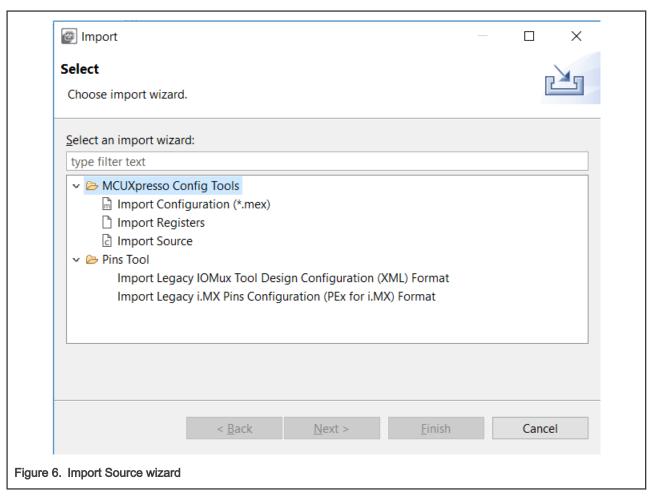
The templates are stored in at the following location on your local hard disk: ${\frac{\protect}{\protect}}/{\frac{\protect}{\protect$

2.2.5 Importing sources

You can import source code files to use as basis for further configuration.

To import source code files, do the following:

- 1. In the **Menu bar**, select **File > Import...**.
- 2. From the list, select MCUXpresso Config Tools>Import Source.



- 3. Click Next.
- 4. On the next page, click Browse to specify the location of the source file.
- 5. Select the source file that you wish to import and click **Open**.
- 6. On the next page, select which functional groups to import (based on tools) by selecting the checkbox in the left column.
- 7. Define how to import the functional groups by selecting one of the two available options in the dropdown menu in the right column:
 - Rename All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, it is automatically renamed to the indexed one. For example, if BOARD InitPins exists in the configuration then the imported function is renamed to BOARD InitPins1.
 - Overwrite All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, then the existing one is replaced with the imported one.
- 8. Click Finish.

NOTE

Only C or Device Tree files with valid YAML configuration can be imported. It imports the configuration only, then the whole C file is re-created based on this setting. The rest of the C and DTSI files are ignored.

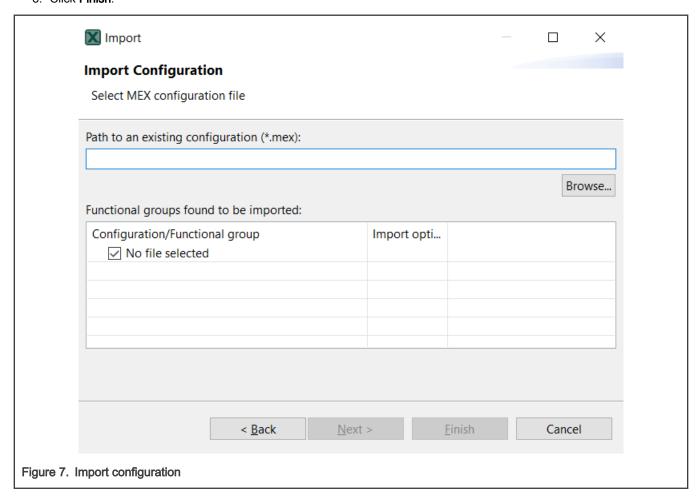
2.2.5.1 Importing configuration

To import an existing configuration from an MEX file, do the following:

1. In the Menu bar, select File > Import...>.

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- In the Import wizard, select MCUXpresso Config Tools > Import configuration (*.mex).
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. On the next page, click **Browse** to specify the location of the registers file.
- 5. Select the MEX file that you wish to import and click Open.
- 6. On the next page, select which functional groups to import (based on tools) by selecting the checkbox in the left column.
- 7. Define how to import the functional groups by selecting one of the two available options in the dropdown menu in the right column:
 - Rename All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, it is automatically renamed to the indexed one. For example, if BOARD_InitPins exists in the configuration then the imported function is renamed to BOARD_InitPins1.
 - Overwrite All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, then the existing one is replaced with the imported one.
- 8. Click Finish.



2.2.5.2 Importing Board/Kit Configuration

Use import settings from default board/kit templates provided within CFG tools data for further configuration.

To import board/kit configuration, do the following:

1. In the Menu bar, select File > Import...>.

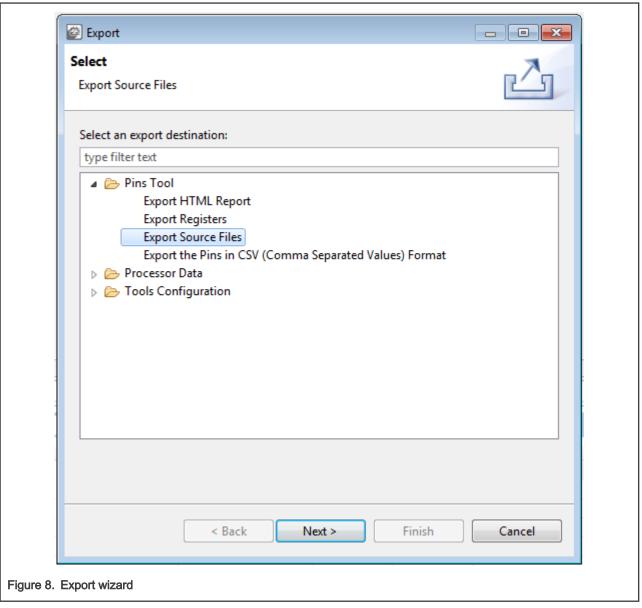
- 2. In the Import wizard, select MCUXpresso Config Tools > Import Board/Kit Configuration.
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. On the next page, select the board/kit variant from the dropdown menu.
- 5. Select which functional groups to import (based on tools) by selecting the checkbox in the left column.
- 6. Define how to import the functional groups by selecting one of the two available options in the dropdown menu in the right column:
 - Rename All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, it is automatically renamed to the indexed one. For example, if BOARD_InitPins exists in the configuration then the imported function is renamed to BOARD_InitPins1.
 - Overwrite All files are merged into the current configuration. It imports all the functions only. If the imported function has the same name as an existing one, then the existing one is replaced with the imported one.
- 7. Click Finish.

2.2.6 Exporting sources

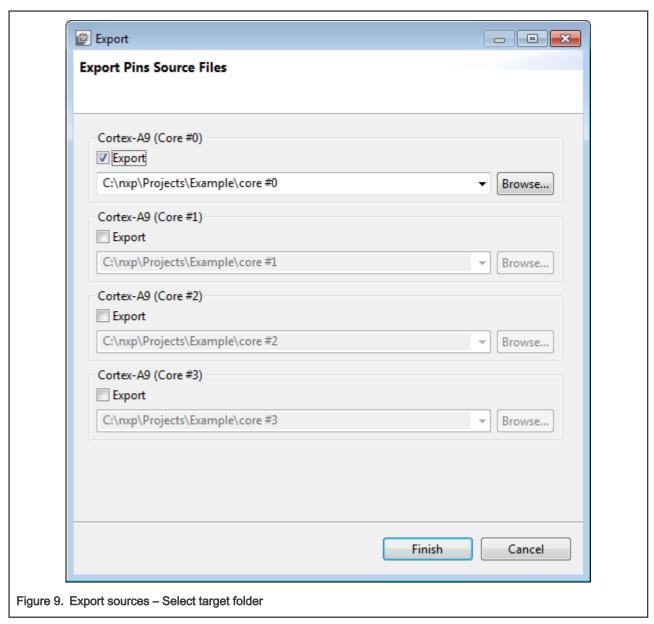
It's possible to export the generated source using the Export wizard.

To launch the Export wizard:

- 1. Select File > Export from the Menu bar.
- 2. Select Export Source Files.



- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the target folder where you want to store the generated files.



- 5. In case of multicore processors, select the cores you want to export.
- 6. Click Finish.

2.3 Menu bar

The Menu bar contains five menus: File, Edit, Tools, Views, Help, and a tool-specific menu.

The File menu contains file management items.

Table 1. File menu

Menu item Description	
New	Create a configuration. For more information, see the Configuration section.
Open	Open a configuration from an MEX file.

Table continues on the next page...

Table 1. File menu (continued)

Menu item	Description
Save	Save current configuration.
Save Copy As	Create a backup copy of the current configuration.
Switch processor	Switch to a different processor. For more information, see the Switching processor section.
Switch package	Switch to a different processor package. For more information, see the Switching processor section.
Select Core	Select a processor core for further configuration.
Data Manager	Manage local data. For more information, see the Managing data and working offline section.
Import	Import settings from source files. For more information, see the Advanced Features section.
Export	Export source files and other tool information. For more information, see the Advanced Features section.
Exit	Exit the application. If there are any unsaved changes, you are prompted to save the changes.

The Edit menu contains basic editing actions as well as items modifying the appearance and behavior of the whole framework.

Table 2. Edit menu

Menu item	Description
Open Update Code Dialog	Update code after configuration change. For more information, see the Update code section.
Undo ()	Cancel a previous action. The action to be undone is always appended.
Redo ()	Cancel a previous undo action. The action to be redone is always appended.
Сору	Copy the selected text to the clipboard.
Select All	Select the whole text in the current field/view.
Call from default initialization function	Set the currently selected functional group to be called from the default initialization function.
Functional Group Properties	Edit functional group properties.
Preferences	Edit preferences. For more information, see the Preferences section.
Configuration Preferences	Edit configuration preferences. For more information, see the Configuration Preferences section.

The **Tools** menu lists all the tools available in the tools framework. Use this menu to switch between the tools.

The **Tool-specific** menu contains items tailor-made for individual tools. Only items relevant to the currently active tool are displayed. The menu name copies the name of the currently active tool.

Table 3. Pins menu

Item	Description
Functional Groups	Edit functional group properties.

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Table 3. Pins menu (continued)

Item	Description
Automatic Routing	Attempt to resolve routing issues. Opens the Automatic Routing dialog, which displays routing issues that have been resolved and the ones that require manual correction.
Apply Expansion Board	Apply an expansion board to an already created expansion header
Create the Default Routing	Open a dialog for the creation of a new functional group containing the after-reset state of pins and internal signals.
Refresh	Refresh both the generated code and the whole GUI.
Reset to Board Defaults	Reset the configuration of the Board/Kit defaults.
Reset to Processor Defaults	Reset the configuration of the processor's defaults.

The **Views** menu contains a tool-specific list of available views. Select a view from the list to open it. Select an already opened view to highlight it. Choose **Reset views** to reset the current tool perspective to its default state. The **Help** menu contains assistance and general information-related items.

Table 4. Help menu

Item	Description
Contents	Display the User Guide.
Quick Start guide	Open a PDF file of the Quick Start guide.
Release Notes	Display release notes of the installed version.
Community	Display web pages of the product-related community forums.
Processor Information	Display web pages containing information about the currently used processor.
Kit/Board Information	Display web pages containing information about the currently used board or kit.
Open SDK API	Display documentation of the relevant SDK API.
Check for updates	Check for a newer version of the product. If a new version is available, you are prompted to confirm and perform the update
Open Cheat Sheet	Display a cheat sheet to help with using the tools. You can also load a cheat sheet from a file, or from a URL.
About	Display general product information.

2.4 Toolbar

The toolbar is on the top of the window and includes buttons/menus of frequently used actions common to all tools. See the following sections for more information.

Table 5. Toolbar

Item	Description	
Config Tools Overview	Open the Overview dialog with information about currently used tools.	
Show Problems View	Open the Problems view.	

Table continues on the next page ...

Table 5. Toolbar (continued)

Item	Description
Update Code	Open the update dialog allowing you to update generated peripheral initialization code directly within specified toolchain project.
Generate Code	Regenerate source code when "Enable Code Preview" preference is disabled.
Functional group selection	Select functional group. Functional group in the Peripherals tool represents a group of peripherals that are initialized as a group. The tool generates a C function for each function group that contains the initialization code.
Call from default initialization	Set the current functional group to be initialized by the default initialization function.
Functional group properties	Open the Functional group properties dialog to modify name and other properties of the function group.
Tool selection	Display icons of individual tools. Use them to switch between tools.
Undo/Redo	Undo/Redo last action.

In addition, the toolbar may contain additional items depending on the selected tool. See the chapters dedicated to individual tools for more information.

2.4.1 Config tools overview

The **Config Tools Overview** provides you with general information about your currently active configuration, hardware, and project. It also provides a quick overview of the used/active and unused/inactive tools, generated code, and functional groups. By default, the **Config Tools Overview** icon is on the left side of the toolbar.

Config Tools Overview contains several items.

Table 6. Config Tools Overview

Item	Description
Configuration – General Info	Displays the name of and the path to the MEX file of the current configuration. Click the link to open the folder containing the MEX file. To import additional settings, click the Import additional settings into current configuration button.
Configuration – HW Info	Displays the processor, part number, core, and SDK-version information of the current configuration.
Project	Displays toolchain project information.
Pins/DDR/SERDES/PBL/TEE	Displays basic information about Pins , DDR , SERDES , PBL , TEE tools.

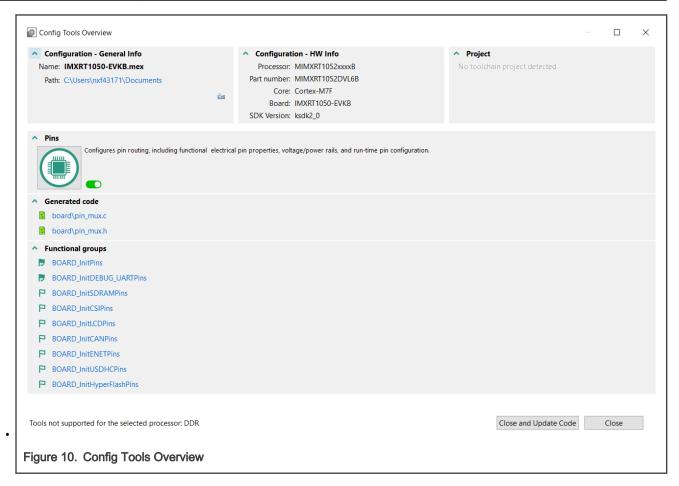
NOTE

If you have disabled a tool and want to reopen it, click the tool icon in the upper right corner or select it from the Main Menu. The **Config Tools Overview** opens automatically.

To enable/disable the tools, click the toggle button. You can navigate to the tools by clicking their icons. Following information about the tools is also available:

Table 7. Config Tools Overview

Item	Description
Generated code	Contains the list of source-code files. Click the links to open the files in the Code Preview view.
Functional groups	Contains the list of the currently active functional groups. To select the groups in the Functional groups tab in the toolbar, select the relevant links.

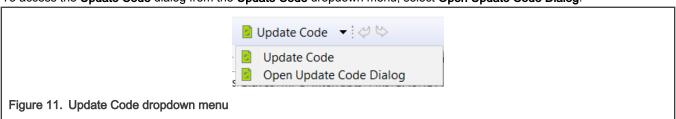


NOTEUnsupported tools are not displayed in the overview.

2.4.2 Update code

To update the project without opening the **Update Files** dialog, deselect the **Always show details before Update Code** checkbox.

To access the Update Code dialog from the Update Code dropdown menu, select Open Update Code Dialog.



NOTE
The generated code is always overwritten.

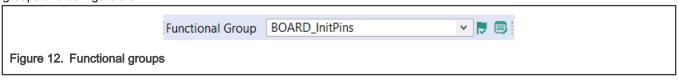
The **Update Code** action is enabled under following conditions:

- If the MEX configuration is saved in a toolchain project, the processor selected in the tool matches with processor selected in the toolchain project
- · Core is selected (for multicore processors)

2.4.3 Functional groups

Every Pins configuration can contain several functional groups.

These groups represent functions which will be generated into source code. Use the dropdown menu to switch between functional groups and configure them.



You can use two additional buttons to further configure functional groups:

Table 8. Functional Groups

Icon	Description
	Toggle "Called from default initialization function" feature (in source code)
₿	Opens the Functional group properties window

NOTERed/orange background indicates errors/warnings in the configuration.

2.4.3.1 Functional group properties

In the **Functional Group Properties** window, you can configure several options for functions and code generation. Each setting is applicable for the selected function. You can specify generated function name, select core (for multicore processors only) that is affecting the generated source code, or write function description (this description is generated in the C file). You can also add, copy, and remove functional groups as needed.

Aside from name and description, you can choose to set parameters for selected functional groups.

Functional group properties are specific for individual Config Tools:

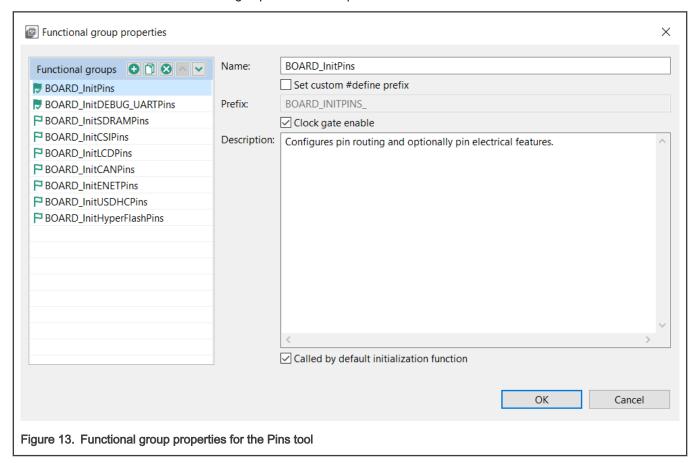
The Pins tool:

- Set custom #define prefix If this property is set, the specific custom prefix is used for macros generated into the pin mux.h. Otherwise the name of the functional group is used as the prefix.
- Prefix The custom prefix string. If it is empty, no prefix is used.
- Clocks gate enable If this property is enabled, the clock gate is enabled in the generated code. The clock gate is needed for access to the peripherals, so have it enabled elsewhere.
- · Core (for multicore processors only) Selects the core that is used for executing this function.
- Full pins initialization If this property is set, all features of the pins are fully initialized in the generated function even if matches the after-reset state of the processor. If it is not set, the value may be "not specified" or "Reset (...)" that means no code is generated and after-reset state is expected.

• **De-initialization function** - If this feature is set, an additional function that sets all pins in this functional group to their after-reset state is generated. The new function has a suffix deinit.

TEE tool:

• Set custom #define prefix - If this property is checked, the custom prefix is used for macros define in generate code. Otherwise the name of the functional group is used as the prefix.



2.4.4 Undo/Redo actions

You can reverse your actions by using Undo/Redo buttons available in the **Toolbar**. You can also perform these actions from the **Edit** menu in the **Menu bar**.

Table 9. Undo/reto actions

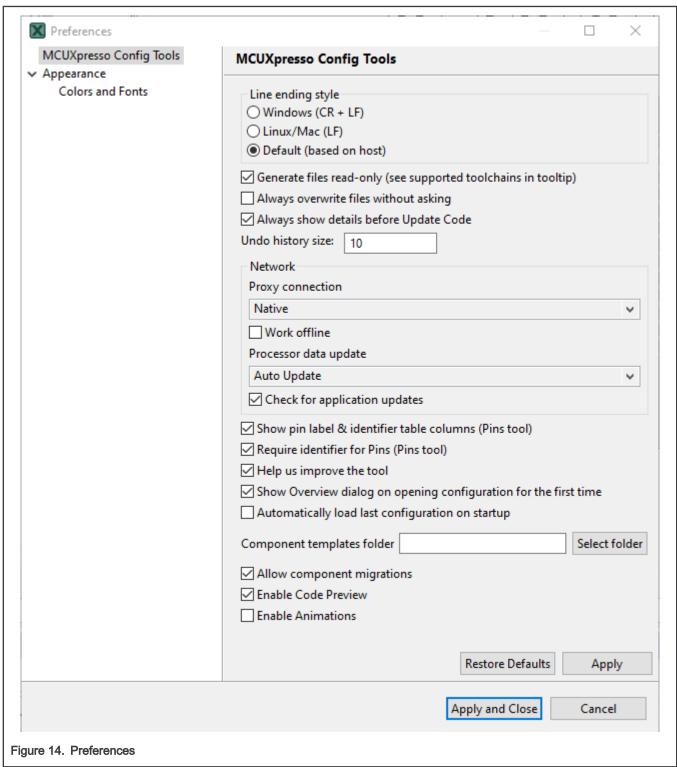
Icon	Description
< The state of the state o</th <th>Cancels the previous action</th>	Cancels the previous action
\$	Cancels the previous undo action

2.5 Preferences

To configure preferences in the Preferences dialog, select Edit>Preferences from the Menu bar.

NOTE

You can restore settings to default by selecting Restore Defaults in the lower right corner of the dialog.



Several settings are available.

Table 10. Preferences

Item	Description
Line ending style	Select between Windows (CR + LF), Linux/Mac (LF), or Default (based on host).
Generate files read-only	Prevent modifying the source files unintentionally. Generated source files are marked as read-only.
Generate source folder	At build time, automatically create a folder including source files.
Create empty configuration if no yaml is available	Generates a configuration even if no yaml is present.
Always overwrite files without asking	Update existing files automatically, without prompting.
Always show details before Update Code	Review changes before the project is updated.
Undo history size	Enter the maximum number of steps that can be undone. Enter 0 to disable.
Proxy connection	Direct – Connect directly and avoid a proxy connection.
	Native – Use system proxy configuration for network connection.
	The proxy settings are copied from operating system settings. In case of error, you can specify proxy information in the tools.ini file, located in the <install_dir>/bin/ folder. Make sure that the file contains the following lines: — Djava.net.useSystemProxies=true (already present by default)</install_dir>
	Dhttp.proxyHost= <somecompany.proxy.net> Dhttp.proxyPort=80</somecompany.proxy.net>
	NOTE Authentication is not supported.
Work Offline	Disable both the connection to NXP cloud and the download of processor/board/kit data.
Processor data update	Select from the following options:
	Auto Update – Update the processor data automatically.
	Manual – Update processor data after confirmation.
	Disabled – Disable processor data update.
Check for application updates	Check for application updates on a weekly basis
Show pin label & identifier table columns (Pins tool)	Select to show the pin label and the label identifier in the relevant views.

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Table 10. Preferences (continued)

Item	Description
Require Identifier for Pins (Pins Tool)	Controls generation of pins "Identifier" related warnings. With this preference enabled, warnings will be generated for bidirectional signals that have no Identifier set.
Show Overview window on opening configuration for the first time	Open the Overview dialog on opening configuration for the first time.
Help us to improve the tool	Send device-configuration and tool-use information to NXP. Sending this information to NXP helps fix issues and improve the tools
Automatically load last configuration on startup	Avoid the startup window and load the last used configuration instead.
Enable Code Preview	Controls how the code is generated. When this preference is enabled, code generation is performed automatically after every change in the configuration and the Code Preview is updated accordingly. When this preference is disabled, code generation is stopped, warning message is displayed in Code Preview window, and the action can be manually triggered by using one of the available options: • By pressing the "generate code" link highlighted in the warning message from the Code Preview window. • By pressing the Update Code button in the toolbar, where code update is preceded by code generation.
Component template folder	The path to the folder with component templates. Keep empty to use the default path. The default path is to folder component_templates in data of the Config tools.
Allow component migrations	When a configuration associated with a toolchain project is open, the peripheral tool automatically checks if the configuration components match the project and suggests a migration if they are not.
Enable animations	Enables animations in the user interface, such as smoother scrolling or opening a drop-down menu.

2.6 Configuration preferences

The configuration preferences are general preferences stored within the configuration storage file (MEX).

To configure the preferences related to the configuration, select Edit > Configuration Preferences from the main menu.

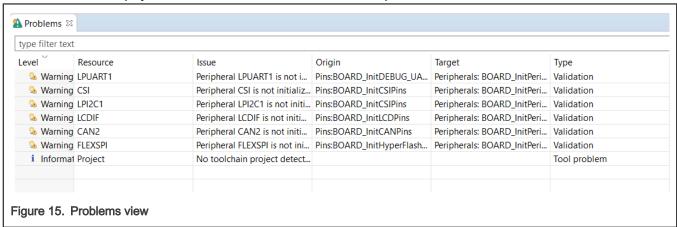
The following preferences are available:

- Generate YAML Select to generate YAML into C source files.
- Generate extended information into header file Select to generate extended information into the header file. For projects created in earlier MCUXpresso versions, this option is selected by default.
- Generate code only for registers that are different from the after-reset state Select to generate code for registers that are different from the after-reset state.
- · Custom source file copyright header
- · Output path overrides

WARNING
When the source does not contain YAML code, it cannot be imported.

2.7 Problems view

The Problems view displays issues in individual tools and in the inter-dependencies between the tools.



To open the **Problems** view, click the **Show Problems view** button in the **Toolbar**, or select **Views > Problems** from the **Menu bar**. The **Problems** table contains the following information:

Table 11. Problems view

Item	Description	
Level	Severity of the problem: Information, Warning, or Error.	
Resource	Resource related to the problem, such as signal name, the clock signal.	
Issue	Description of the problem.	
Origin	Information on the dependency source.	
Target	Tool that handles the dependency and its resolution.	
Туре	Type of the problem. It is either the validation checking dependencies between tools, or a single tool issue.	

Every issue comes with a context menu accessible by right-clicking the table row. Use this menu to access information about the problem or to apply a quick fix where applicable. You can also copy the rows for later use by right-clicking the row and selecting **Copy** or by using the **Ctrl+C** shortcut. You can use the **Ctrl+left-click** shortcut to add additional rows to the selection.

NOTE

Quick fix is only available for problems highlighted with the "light bulb" icon.

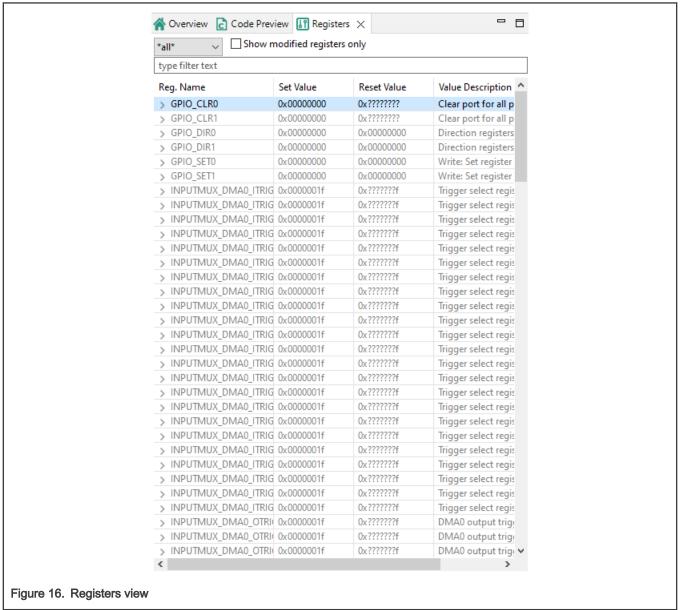
Filter buttons are available on the right side of the **Problems** view ribbon.

Table 12. Filter buttons

Button	Description
A	Filters messages in the Problems view. If selected, only problems for the active tool are displayed. See Configuration preferences section for details.

2.8 Registers view

The **Registers** view lists the registers handled by the tool models. You can see the state of the processor registers that correspond to the current configuration settings and also the state that is in the registers by default after the reset. The values of the registers are displayed in the hexadecimal and binary form. If the value of the register (or bit) is not defined, an interrogation mark "?" is displayed instead of the value.



The Registers view contains several items.

Table 13. Registers

Item	Description
Peripheral filter drop-down list	List the registers only for the selected peripheral. Select all to list registers for all the peripherals.
Show modified registers only checkbox	Hide the registers that are left in their after-reset state or are not configured.
Text filter	Filter content by text.

The following table lists the color highlighting styles used in the **Registers** view.

Table 14. Color codes

Color	Description
Yellow background	Indicates that the bitfield has been affected by the last change made in the tool.
Gray text color	Indicates that the bitfield is not edited and the value is the after-reset value.
Black text	Indicates the bit-fields that the tool modifies.

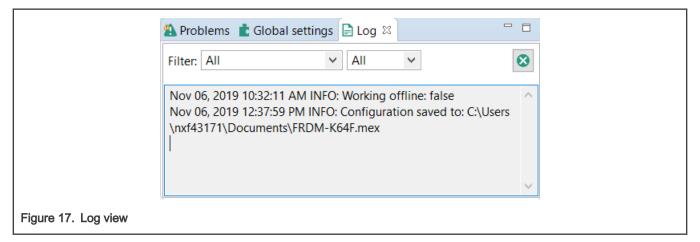
2.9 Log view

The **Log** view shows user-specific information about Tools operations. The **Log** view can show up to 100 records across all tools in chronological order.

Each log entry consists of a timestamp, the name of the tool responsible for the entry, severity level, and the actual message. If no tool name is specified, the entry was triggered by shared functionality.

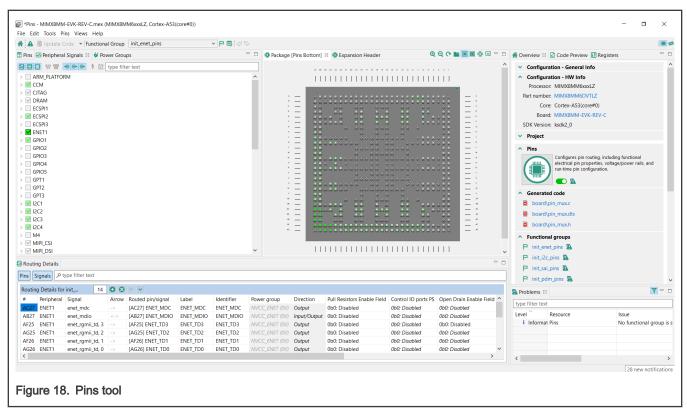
You can filter the content of the **Log** view using the combo boxes to display only specific tool and/or severity level information. Filters in different tools can be set independently.

Buffered log records are cleared using the clear button. It affects Log views across all tools.



Chapter 3 Pins Tool

Pins tool is an easy-to-use tool for configuration of device pins. The Pins tool software helps create, inspect, change, and modify any element of pin configuration and device muxing.



3.1 Pins routing principle

The Pins tool is designed to configure routing peripheral signals either to pins or to internal signals.

This routing configuration can be done in the following views:

- Pins
- · Peripheral Signals
- Package
- · Routing Details

Following two sections describe the two methods that you can use to define the routing path.

3.1.1 Beginning with pin/internal signal selection

You can select a pin or an internal signal in the Routing Details view.

- 1. Select the pin/internal signal (Routed pin/signal).
- 2. Select one of the available Peripherals.
- 3. For the selected peripheral, select one of the available Signals.

Items in Peripheral column in Routing Details view have the following symbols:

- Exclamation mark and default text color indicate that such item selection can cause a register conflict or the item does not support selected signal.
- Exclamation mark and gray text color indicate that the item cannot be routed to the selected pin/internal signal. The item is available for different pin/internal signal using the same signal.

NOTE

In the Pins view and the Package view, you can configure only pins and not internal signals.

3.1.2 Routing of peripheral signals

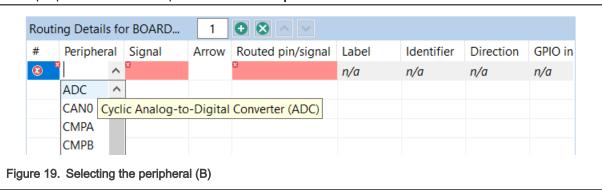
Peripheral signals representing on-chip peripheral input or output can be connected to other on-chip peripherals or to a pin through an inter-peripheral crossbar. You can configure this connection in the **Routing Details** view.

Three types of peripheral signal routing are available:

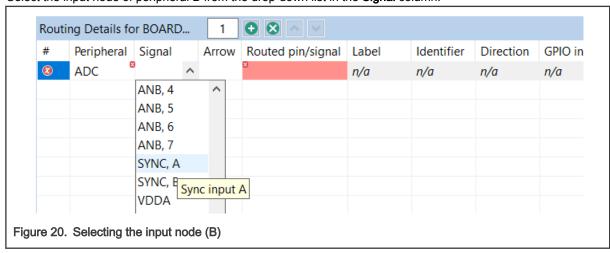
1. Routing the signal from the output of an internal peripheral (A) into the input of another internal peripheral (B)

The signal leads from the output of one internal peripheral (A) to the input node of another internal peripheral (B). In other words, signal leads from A to B (A > B). To configure a signal in this way, perform the following steps (PWM triggering ADC (PWM > ADC) used as example):

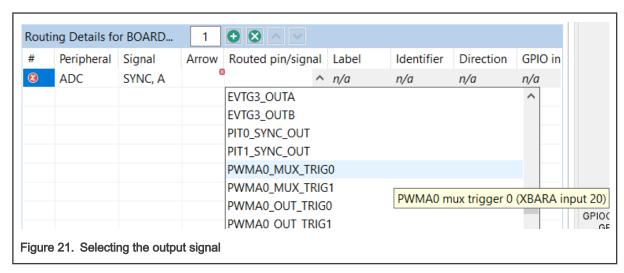
- a. Add a row in the Routing Details view.
- b. Select peripheral B from the drop-down list in the **Peripheral** column.



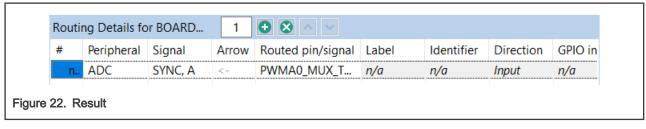
c. Select the input node of peripheral B from the drop-down list in the Signal column.



d. Select the output signal of peripheral A from the drop-down list in the Routed pin/signal column.



Once the configuration is done, the row looks like this:



NOTE

It is necessary to select the ADC peripheral where the signal leads to (input in ADC). It is a limitation of the Pins tool that the signal is not listed for the PWM peripheral (output). Notice the direction of the signal in the **Arrow** column.

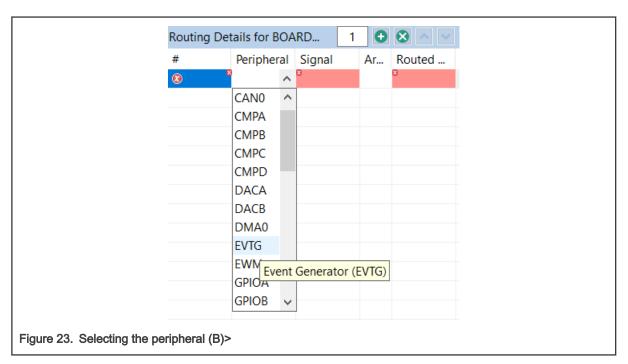
2. Routing the signal from a pin on the package to internal peripheral input signal through an inter-peripheral crossbar

NOTE

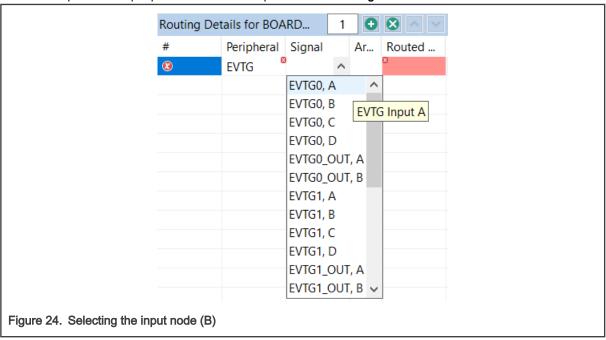
Only if a crossbar switch is present.

The signal leads from a pin on the package (XB_IN) connected through an inter-peripheral crossbar, to an internal peripheral (B) input node. In other words, the signal leads from XB_IN to B (XB_IN > B). To configure a signal in this way, perform the following steps (routing pin 55 using XB_IN6 to EVTG0 input A (XB_IN6 > EVTG0) used as example):

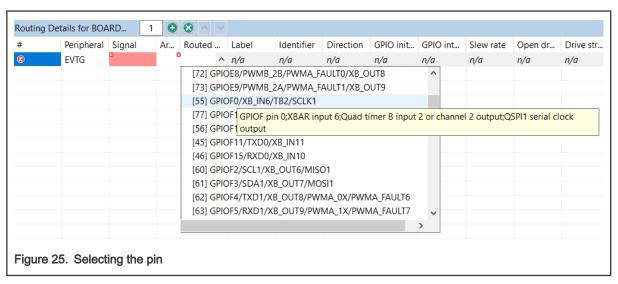
- a. Add a row in the Routing Details view.
- b. Select peripheral B from the drop-down list in the **Peripheral** column.



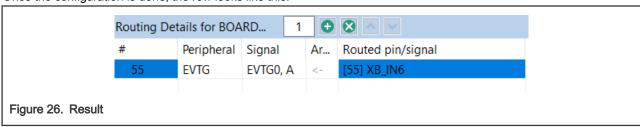
c. Select the input node of peripheral B from the drop-down list in the **Signal** column.



d. Select the XB_IN pin from the drop-down list in the Routed pin/signal column.



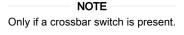
Once the configuration is done, the row looks like this:



NOTE

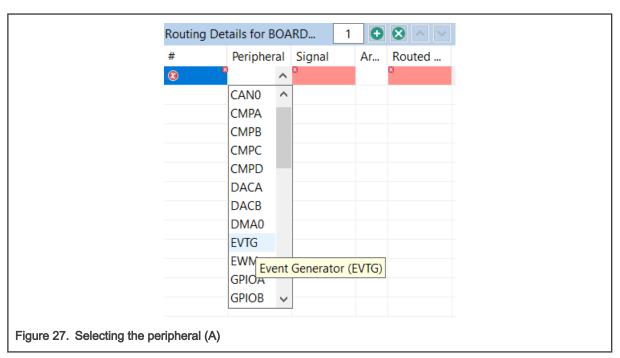
In this example, GPIOF0 is multiplexed with XB_IN6, QTimerB channel 2 output/input and QSPI1 SCLK signal. In this case, the tool will automatically pick XB_IN6 for the pin as XB_IN6 is the only option to be routed to EVTG0 input A.

3. Routing the signal from internal peripheral (A) output to a pin via inter-peripheral crossbar

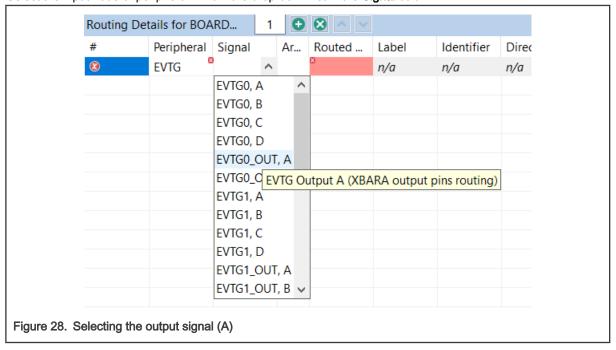


The signal leads from internal peripheral (A) output to a pin connected through an inter-peripheral crossbar on the package (XB_OUT). In other words, the signal leads from A to XB_OUT (A > XB_OUT). To configure a signal in this way, perform the following steps (routing EVTG0 output to a pin 87 using XB_OUT4 used as an example):

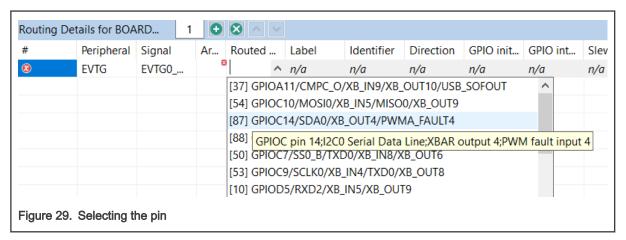
- a. Add a row in the Routing Details view.
- b. Select peripheral A from the drop-down list in the **Peripheral** column.



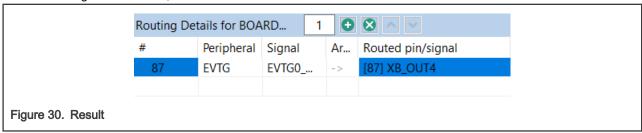
c. Select the input node of peripheral A from the drop-down list in the **Signal** column.



d. Select the XB_OUT pin from the drop-down list in the Route to column.



Once the configuration is done, the row looks like this:



NOTE

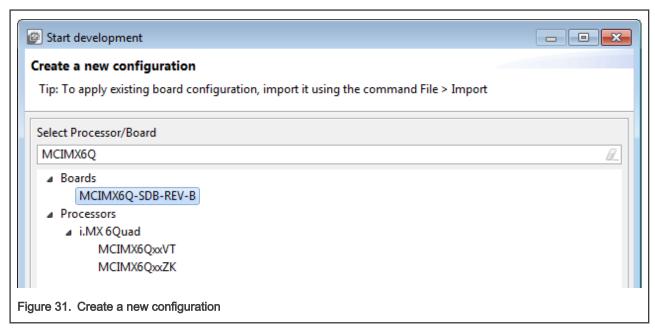
In this example, GPIOC14 is multiplexed with XB_OUT4, SDA of I2C0 and fault4 of eFlexPWMA. In this case, the tool will automatically configure XB_OUT4 for the pin GPIOC14 (pin 87) as XB_OUT4 is the only option for EVTG0 output A.

3.2 Example usage

This section lists the steps to create an example pin configuration, which can then be used in a user project.

In this example, three pins (UART4_TX, UART4_RX and GPIO_2) routed on an MCIMX6Q-SDB-REV-B board are reconfigured to match changed (for example, customer modified) board design which is using UART4 pins instead of UART3 ones and must re-route and/or adjust electrical properties for a red LED pin, so then the tool generated files with application modifying the default board configuration.

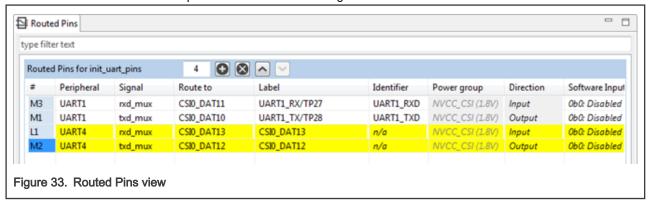
1. Create new configuration for MCIMX6Q-SDB-REV-B board.



After the tool opens, the created configuration select functional group 'init_uart_pins' in the toolbar drop-down to show Routed Pins for it.



3. To change original RX/TX pins routing from UART3 to UART4 you must change configuration in **Peripheral** and **Route** to columns of the **Routed Pins** view for init_uart_pins selection and change pins configuration to re-route the RX/TX pins to different ones for UART4 as required in modified board design.



- 4. You can also adjust electrical properties configuration for these pins on the right side of the table in specific property column selection.
- 5. To change configuration of red LED pin routed originally to GPIO_2 pad, you must to select functional group 'init_gpio_pins'.



6. Then use filtering in the **Routed Pins** view to search configuration for "USR_DEF_RED_LED" to display simplified table content to easily modify current GPIO_2 pin routing selection.



- 7. You can then adjust either electrical properties or re-route the pin to a different one if required in your modified design.
- 8. The Pins Tool automatically generates the source code of imx6q-board.dtsi, pin_mux.c and pin_mux.h in the **Code**Preview view on the right.

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Code Preview 🛭
 imx6q-board.dtsi@Cortex-A9 (Core #0) | pin_mux.c@Cortex-A9 (Core #0) | pin_mux.h@Cortex-A9 (Core #0)
                                                                                       4
  * TEXT BELOW IS USED AS SETTING FOR TOOLS **************
 !!GlobalInfo
 product: Pins v4.1
                                                                                        Ε
 processor: MCIMX6QxxVT
 package id: MCIMX6Q7CVT08AD
 mcu_data: i_mx_1_0
 processor_version: 3.0.0
 board: MCIMX6Q-SDB-REV-B
 power domains: {PCIE VPH: '2.5', SATA VPH: '2.5', NVCC SD3: '3.3', NVCC NANDF: '3.3'
  NVCC_EIM0: '3.3', NVCC_MIPI: '2.5', NVCC_EIM1: '3.3', HDMI_VPH: '2.5', NVCC_EIM2:
  NVCC ENET: '3.3', NVCC DRAM: '1.5'}
  * BE CAREFUL MODIFYING THIS COMMENT - IT IS YAML SETTINGS FOR TOOLS **********
 /dts-v1/;
 #include "skeleton.dtsi"
 #include "imx6q-pinfunc.h"
 / {
     model = "Freescale i.MX 6Quad User Board";
     compatible = "fsl,imx6q-board", "fsl,imx6q";
     soc {
         #address-cells = <1>;
         #size-cells = <1>;
         iomuxc: iomuxc@020e0000 {
             compatible = "fsl,imx6q-iomuxc";
             reg = <0x020e0000 0x4000>;
         };
     };
 };
 &iomuxc {
     pinctrl-names = "default";
Figure 36. Generated sources
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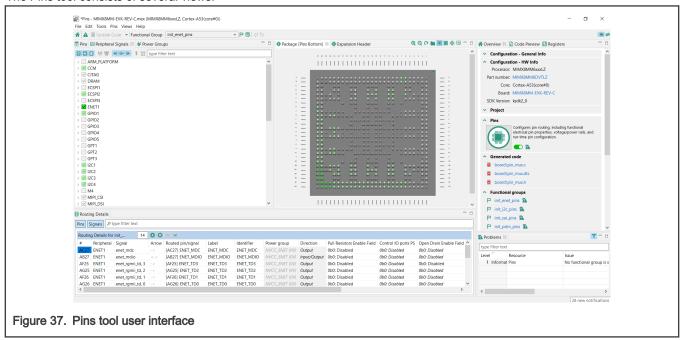
9. You can now copy-paste the content of the source(s) to your application or IDE. Alternatively, you can export the generated files. To export the files, click Export button on the right up corner of Code Preview view or select the menu File > Export, in the Export dialog expand the tree control for the Pins Tool and select the Export Source Files option.

NOTE

Tool generated board-oriented device tree (DTS) DTSI file is only a snippet and not a full device tree file content. There are just basic device tree elements, initial skeleton, and processor-specific "pinfunc.h" includes together with functional groups of fsl, pins = <...> content definitions which provide the initial IOMUXC module configuration according to the tool UI defined pin routing and functional configurations. Content itself must be manually merged together with existing Linux BSP device tree file(s) in order to apply the tool generated pins configuration. This tool also does not generate nor export processor-specific "pinfunc.h" file that is containing definition of all supported DTS pin functional configuration macros. This file is not purposely integrated within the tool output because it is a part of separate Linux BSP support package deliverables.

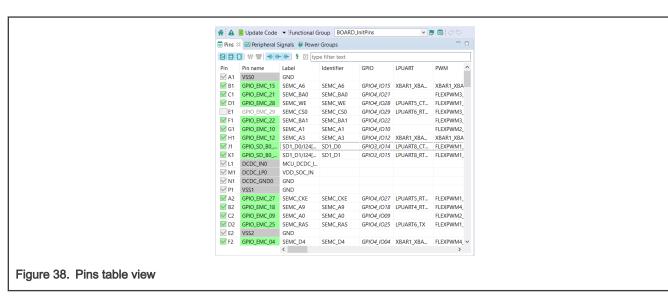
3.3 User interface

The Pins tool consists of several views.



3.3.1 Pins view

The **Pins** view shows all the pins in a table format.



This view shows the list of all the pins available on a given device. The **Pin name** column shows the default name of the pin, or if the pin is routed. The next columns are optional. They are **Label**, **Identifier**, **and Expansion header connections** (One column for each expansion header). The pin name is changed to show appropriate function for selected peripheral if routed. The next column of the table shows peripherals and signals and pin name(s) on given peripheral. Peripherals with few items are cumulated in the last column.

To route/unroute a pin to the given peripheral, select the relevant cell in the **Pin** column. Routed pins are highlighted in green. If a conflict in routing exists, the pins are highlighted in red.

Every routed pin appears in the Routed pins table.

When multiple functions are specified in the configuration, the **Pins** view shows pins for selected function primarily. Pins for different functions are shown with light transparency and cannot be configured until switched to this function.

Select a row to open a drop-down list that offers the following options:

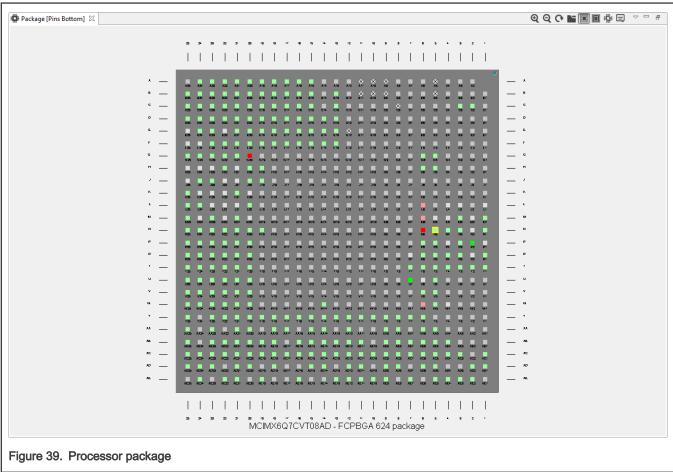
- · Route/Unroute the pin.
- · Highlight the pin in the Package view.
- · Set the label and identifier for the pin.
- · Add a comment to the pin. You can later inspect the comment in the Code Preview view.

TIP

The option to route more signals to a single pin is indicated by an ellipsis (...). Select the cell to open a dialog to choose from multiple available signals. The dialog also displays which signals are routed by default.

3.3.2 Package

The **Package** view displays the processor package. The processor package provides an overview of the package including resource allocation.



This view shows package overview with pins location. In the center are the peripherals.

To highlight the pin/peripheral configuration in the **Pins** and **Routing Details** views, right-click the pin or peripheral and select **Highlight**.

For BGA packages, use the **Resources** icon to see them.

- · Green color indicates the routed pins/peripherals.
- Gray color indicates that the pin/peripheral is not routed.
- Dark Gray color indicates that the pin/peripheral is dedicated. It is routed by default and has no impact on generated code.

The view also shows the package variant and the description (type and number of pins).

The following icons are available in the toolbar:

Table 15. Toolbar options

Icon	Description
Q	Zoom in package image.
Q	Zoom out package image.
G	Rotate package image.

Table continues on the next page...

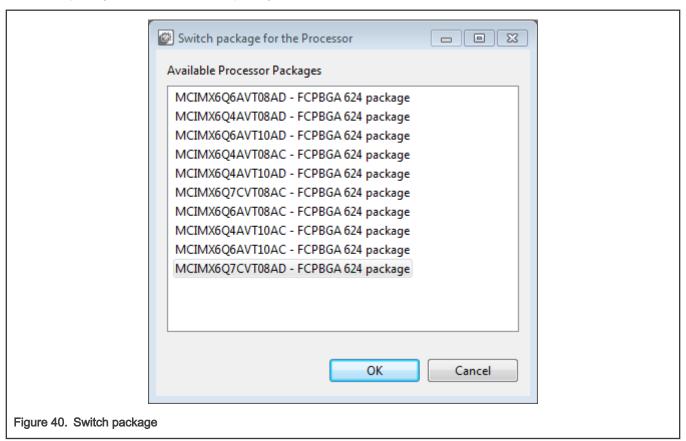
Table 15. Toolbar options (continued)

Icon	Description
	Show pins as you can see it from the bottom. This option is available on BGA packages only.
	Show pins as you can see it from the top. This option is available on BGA packages only.
<u> </u>	Show resources. This option is available on BGA packages only.
:0:	Switch package.
	Package legend.
Δ	Select the information displayed as pin labels. This option is not available on BGA packages.

NOTE

Depending on the processor package selected, not all views are available.

The Switch package icon launches Switch package for the Processor.



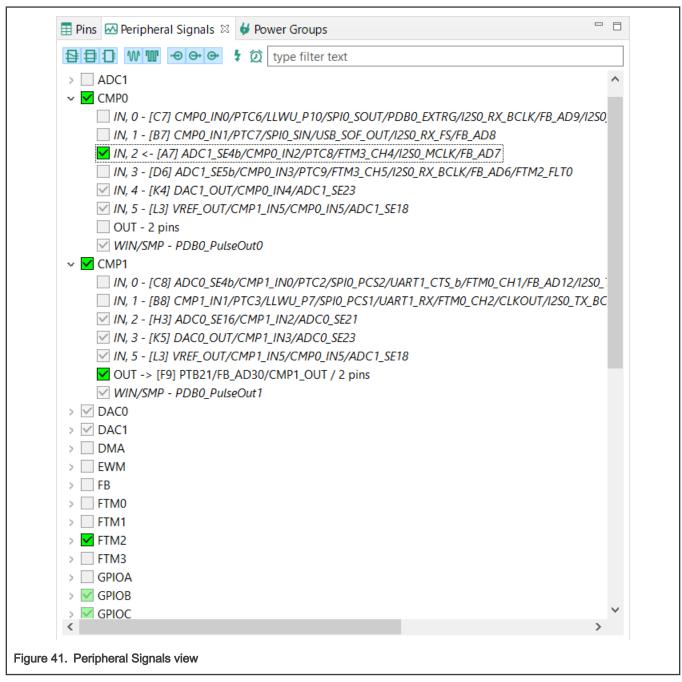
The **Switch package for the Processor** window shows list of available processor packages, showing package type and number of pins.

3.3.3 Peripheral Signals view

The **Peripheral Signals** view shows a list of peripherals and their signals. Only the **Peripheral Signals** and **Pins** view show the checkbox (allocated) with status.

Table 16. Status codes

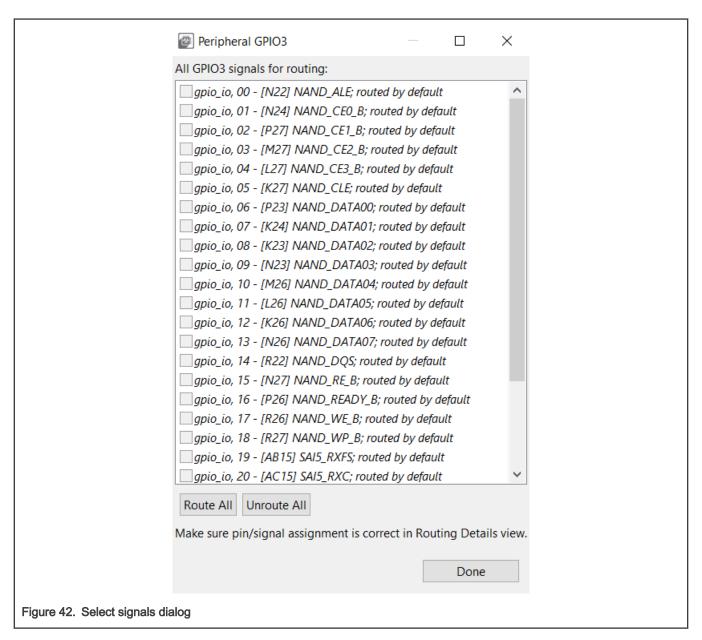
Color code	Status
<u> </u>	Error
<u>~</u>	Configured
	Not configured
M	Warning
	Dedicated: Device is routed by default and has no impact on the generated code.



Use the checkbox to route/unroute the pins.

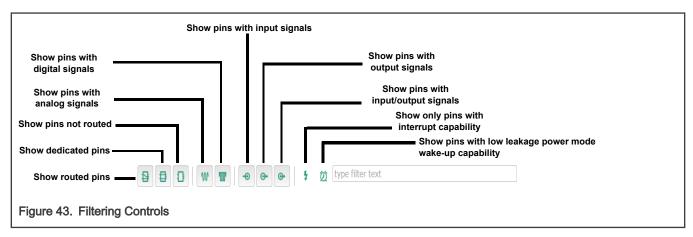
To highlight the pin/routing configuration about the peripheral in the **Package** and **Routing Details** views, right-click the signal and select **Highlight**.

To route/unroute multiple pins, click the peripheral and select the options in the Select signals dialog.



3.3.3.1 Filtering in the Pins and Peripheral Signals views

The following image illustrates the filtering controls in the Pins and Peripheral Signals views.



Type any text to search across the table/tree. It will search for the pins/peripheral signals containing the specified text. You can also use wildcards "*" and "?" to help you filter results you want. Use "space" to search for multiple strings at the same time.

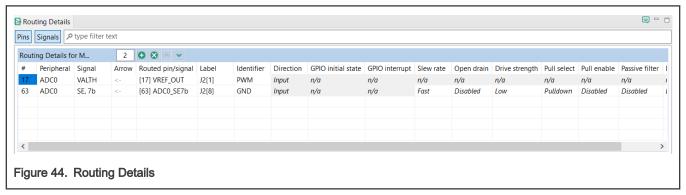
3.3.4 Routing Details view

In the **Routing Details** view, you can inspect and configure routed pins and internal signals. You can also configure the electrical properties of pins and view them. It displays the pad configuration available in a configuration where each pin is associated with the signal name and the function.

NOTE

The electrical features are configured only for pins in the table. For example, the routed pins.

The table is empty when a new configuration is created, which means no pin is configured. Each row represents configuration of a single pin and if there are no conflicts, then the code is immediately updated. For Boards/Kits, the pins are routed already.



Add a row with the **Add new row** button in the view toolbar.

Configure the pin/signal by selecting the Peripheral first, then the required Signal, and finally, the pin to Route to.

Use the columns in the right side of the table to configure the electrical features.

You can also use the **Pins** and **Peripheral Signals** views to route pins and peripheral signals and view/modify the configuration in the **Routing Details** view. If the feature is not supported, *n/a* is displayed.

To highlight peripheral/pin information in the Package and Pins views, right-click the row and select Highlight.

To filter rows, type the text or the search phrase in the filter area in the view toolbar.

NOTE

When you enter the search text, it also searches the text in the full pin names displays rows that contain the search text.

To display pins or signals only, use the **Pins** and **Signals** buttons in the view toolbar.

To add a row to the end of table, click the **Add new row** button.

To remove the selected row, click the **Delete the selected row** button.

To delete a specific row or insert a new row at a given position, right-click and use the dropdown list commands.

To add a specific number of rows, enter the number in the field.

To clear the table, type 0.

To change the order of the rows, use the arrow icons to move one row up or down.

To filter table entries by text, enter the text string in the type filter text field.

To copy the row, right-click any cell in the row and select **Copy**. You can later paste the copied row into the **Routing Details** view of another functional group or configuration by right-clicking the table and choosing **Paste**.

The gray background indicates read-only items.

The italic value indicates that the value is not configured and it shows the after-reset value and no code is generated, so the configuration relies on the after reset value or the values configured from the different functions.

TIP • Click the Routing Details Legend button in top right corner of the view to display a dialog explaining the fields. Routing Details Legend MK22FN512xxx12 X Settings related to hardware features of pins are generally offering: • Reset - default (after reset) value - no code will be generated unless it is combined with some other initialization · No init - Property will not be initialized - no conflict validations will be performed and no code will be generated unless it is combined with some other initialization Columns and values descriptions: # - Package pin number/coordinate Peripheral - Name of the selected peripheral module Signal - Name of the selected peripheral signal/signal function • Arrow - Arrow indicating direction of the signal · Routed pin/signal - Name of the pin or internal signal Label - Pin label with max length of 128 characters; By submitting empty

- label the identifier is deleted as well

 Identifier Pin identifier used for #define code generation
- · Direction Pin direction
- · GPIO initial state GPIO output initial state
 - · Logical 0
 - Logical 1
- GPIO interrupt It allows configuration of interrupt/DMA request for the pin. To enable interrupt event (DMA transfer) from the pin, interrupt

Figure 45. Routing Details Legend

• The value shown using italic indicates the after-reset value. The real value may be different from the after reset value, if configured in other functions.

Use the drop-down menu to select the required value.

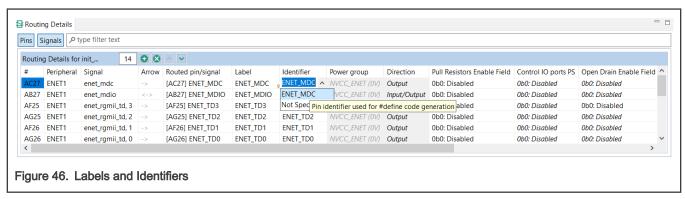
- If you select the same value as the after-reset value, the tool will always generate code to set this feature.

 Use the drop-down "Reset" value to reset the value to its after-reset state.
- If an item does not support reset to after reset value, the **Reset** menu is not available.
- The first row shows pin number or coordinate on BGA package.

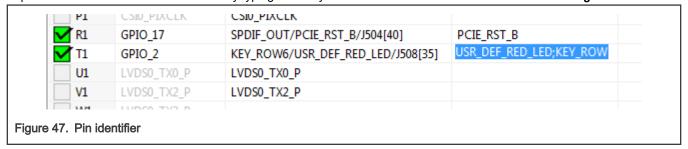
3.3.4.1 Labels and identifiers

You can define the label of any pin that can be displayed in user interface for ease of identification.

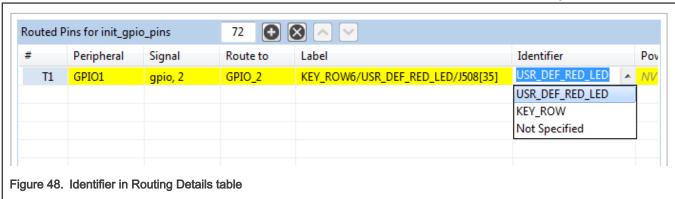
Boards and kits have pre-defined labels. However, it is also possible to define a pin label listed in the **Pins** and **Routing Details** views.



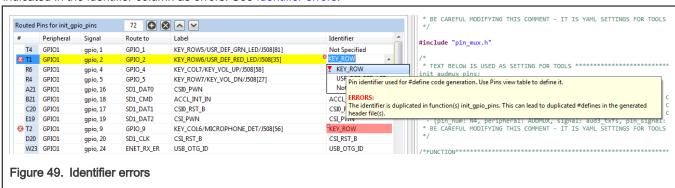
The pin identifier is used to generate the #define in the pin_mux.h file. However, it is an optional parameter. If the parameter is not defined, the code for #define is not generated. Additionally, you can define multiple identifiers, using the ";" character as a separator. You can also set the identifier by typing it directly into the cell in the **Identifier** column in the **Routing Details** views.



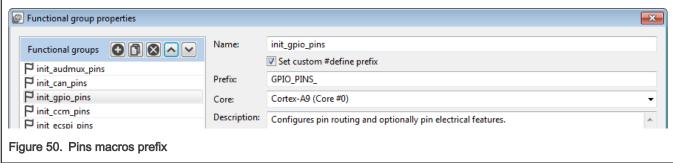
In this case, it is possible to select from values if the pin is routed. See the Identifier column in the Routing Details view.



A check is implemented to ensure whether the generated defines are duplicated in the pin_mux.h file. These duplications are indicated in the identifier column as errors. See Identifier errors.



You can also select the pin to use in a given routing from the **Routing Details** view. However, the identifier must be a valid C identifier and must be used in the source code.

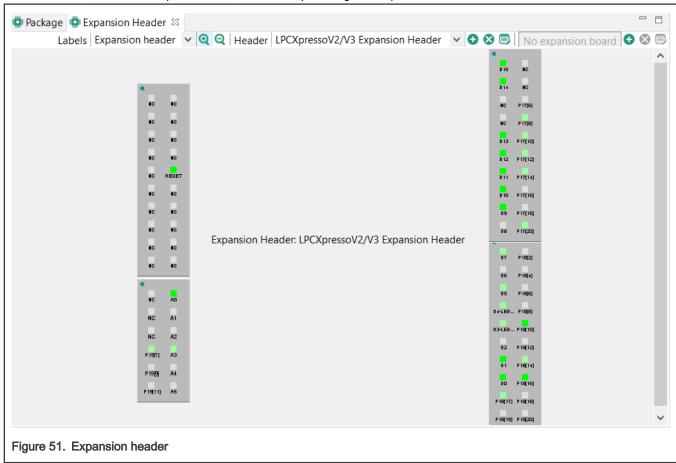


If multiple functions are used, each individual function can include a special prefix. Check the **Pins > Functional Group Properties** > **Set custom #define prefix** checkbox to enter prefix of macros in particular function used in the generated code of the pin_mux.h file. Entered prefix text must be a C identifier. If unchecked, the **Function name** is used as a default prefix.

3.3.5 Expansion Header

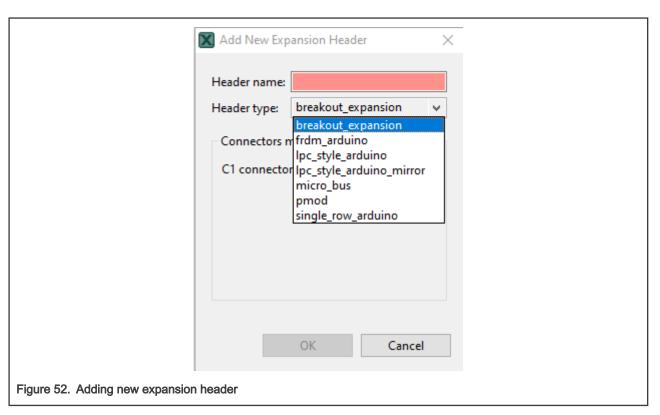
In the **Expansion Header** view, you can add and modify an expansion header configuration, map the connectors, and route the pin signals. You can also import and apply an expansion board to the header.

Certain boards, such as LPCXpresso55S69, come with preconfigured expansion headers.

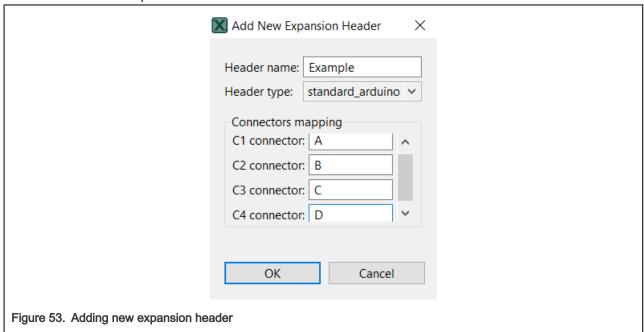


The expansion header is not automatically preset for every supported device. If the header is not preconfigured, follow these steps to create and modify an expansion header configuration:

- 1. Add a header by selecting the **Add** button in the view toolbar.
- 2. In the Add New Expansion Header window, select the Header type from the drop-down list.

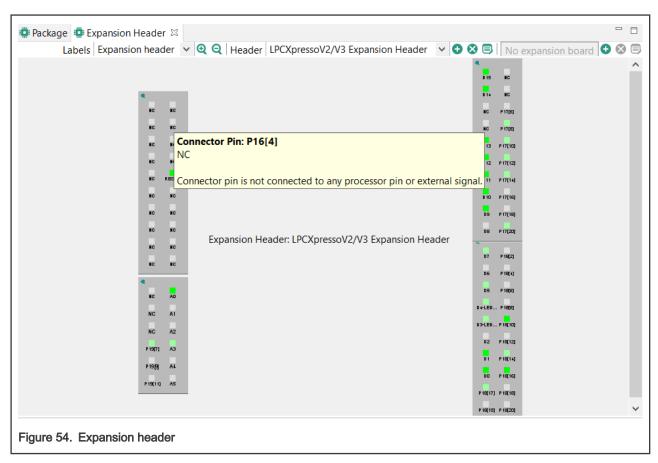


3. Name the header and map the connectors.

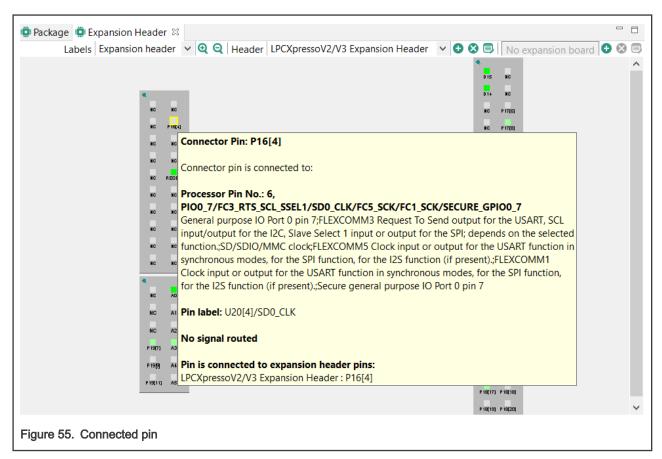


4. Select OK.

Expansion Header view now displays the connector layout. You can point your cursor over the pins to display additional information. Right-click the pin to display a shortcut menu of additional options.

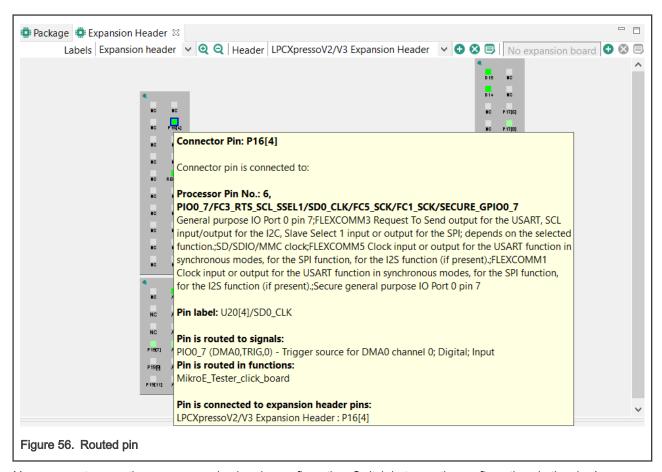


- 5. To map the header pin to processor pin, right-click the header pin and select Connect.
- 6. In the Connector Pin dialog, select the processor pin/external signal from the list and click OK.



- 7. To route the pin, right-click the header pin and select Route.
- 8. In the **Pin** dialog, select the signal from the list and click **OK**.

The connector pin is now routed.



You can create more than one expansion header configuration. Switch between the configurations in the view's drop-down list.

To highlight the pin/routing configuration in the **Pins** and **Routing Details** views, right-click the connector pin and select **Highlight**.

Modify the configuration parameters at any time by selecting the **Edit** button. Information in the **Pins** view is updated automatically.

Remove a configuration by selecting the Remove button.

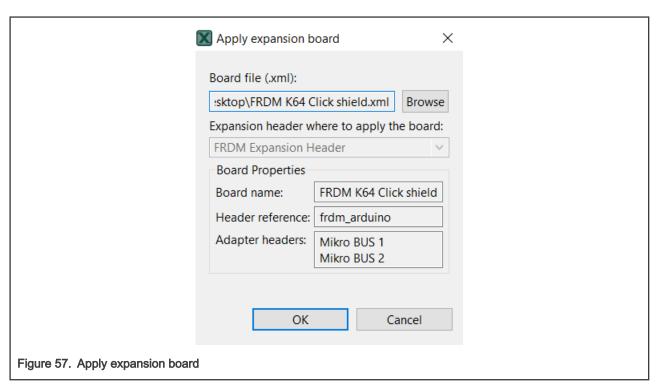
Use the Label drop-down list to switch between display information for header, board, and routing.

3.3.5.1 Expansion Board

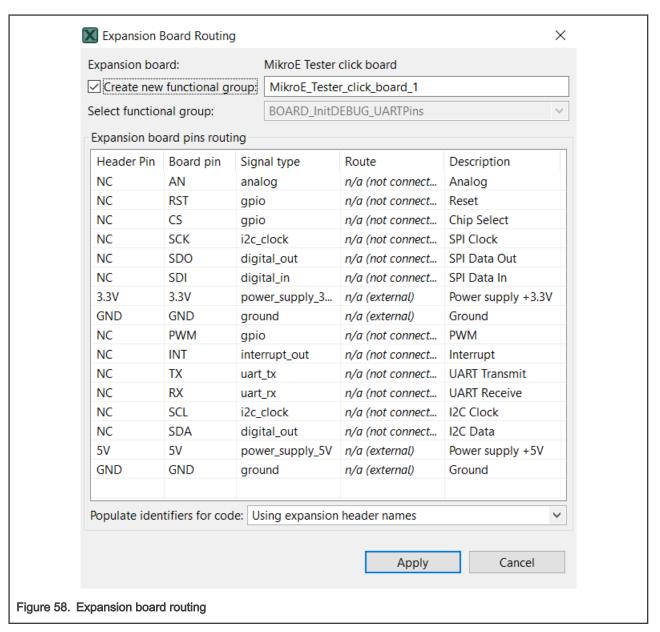
In the **Expansion Header** view, you can also apply an expansion board to an already created expansion header. The expansion board configuration can be imported into Pins tool in the form of an XML file. Based on the chosen processor, the tool will then recommend adequate routing.

NOTEOnly a single expansion board can be configured per expansion header.

- 1. In the Expansion Header view, click the Apply expansion board to the selected header. Alternatively, select Pins>Apply expansion board from the Menu bar.
- 2. In the Apply expansion board dialog, click Browse to locate the XML file with expansion board information and click OK.



- 3. Click **OK** to apply the expansion board.
- 4. On the next page, choose if you want to create a new functional group for the expansion board, or modify an existing functional group. In the latter case, use the dropdown list to select from available functional groups.
- 5. In the **Expansion Board Routing** table, inspect the suggested routing of expansion board pins. If you want to change the route of a pin, click the pin cell in the **Route** column and select the signal in the **Connector pin** dialog and click **Done**.



- 6. Choose how you want to populate identifiers for code. Following options are available:
 - · Expansion header names
 - · Expansion board names
 - None
- 7. Click **Apply** to apply the settings.

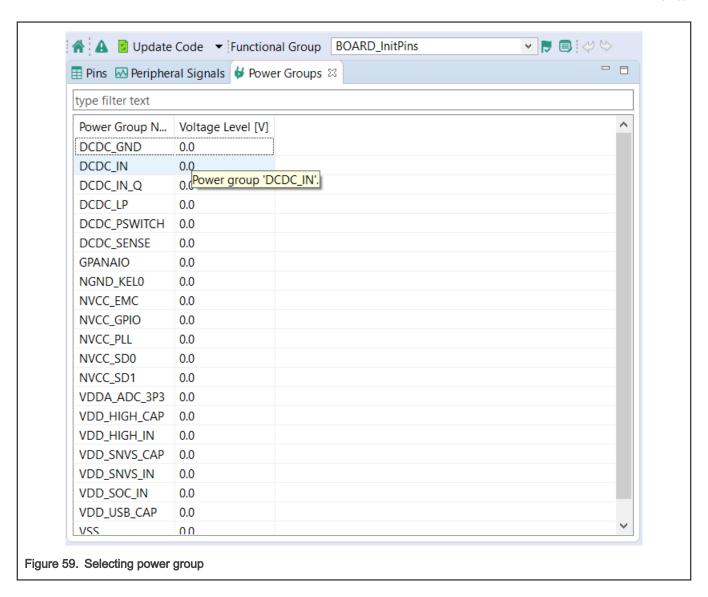
You can change the expansion board signal routing at any time by clicking the **Configure routing for expansion board** button in the **Expansion Header** view.

3.3.6 Power groups

If your processor supports power groups, an additional tab will appear next to Pins and Peripheral Signals.

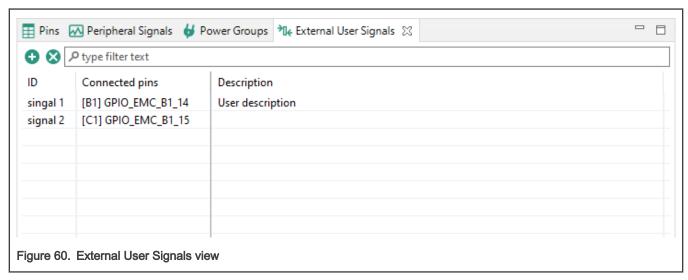
NOTE

This feature is not supported for all devices.



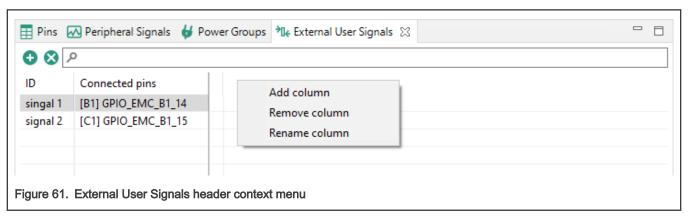
3.3.7 External User Signals view

This view is disabled by default and must be opened from the menu **Views -> External Custom Signals**. It allows the user to define a custom description of the signals. An External User Signal has a defined unique ID within the table, pins to which it is connected, and any amount of additional text information. All of it can be customized.



Connecting to a pin(s) can be done from a context menu of the selected signal. Multiple pins can be connected to the signal as well as multiple signals can be connected to the pin. When some signals are defined, the External User Signals column is added to the **Pins** view. The connection between pins and signals can be also done from there.

Additional columns can be specified using the table header context menu.



When needed, External User Signals can be also exported to CSV and then imported to another configuration. Merging of signals is not supported so when some signals are defined for the configuration, they are replaced by imported signals.

3.3.8 Functions

Functions are used to group a set of routed pins, and they create code for the configuration in a function which then can be called by the application.

The tool allows to creates multiple functions that can be used to configure pin muxing.

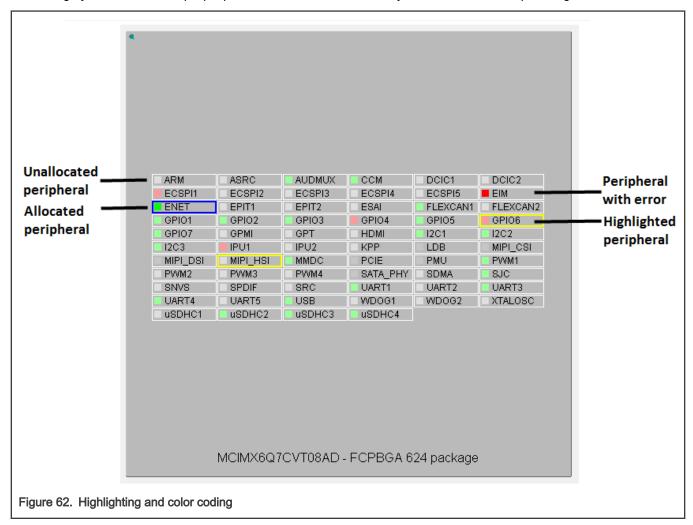
The usage of pins is indicated by 50% opacity in **Pins**, **Peripheral Signals**, and **Package** views. Each function can define a set of routed pins or re-configure already routed pins.

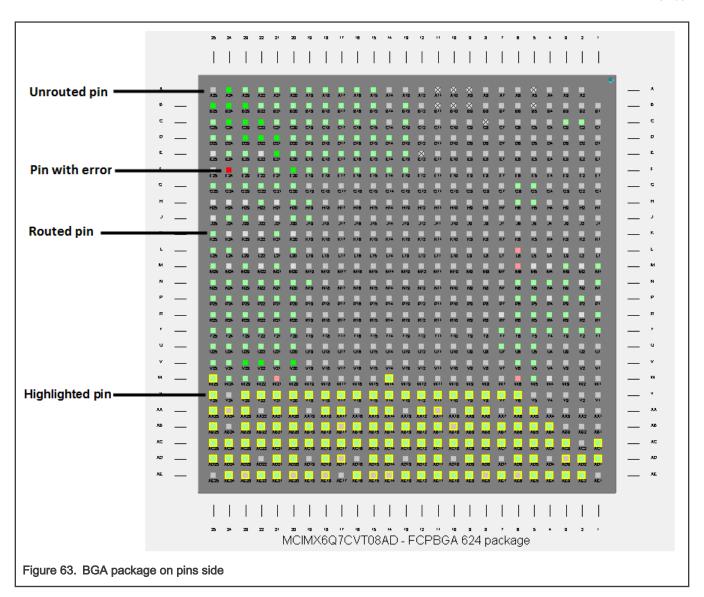
When multiple functions are specified in the configuration, the package view primarily shows the pins and the peripherals for the selected function. Pins and peripherals for different functions are shown with light transparency and cannot be configured, until switched to this function.

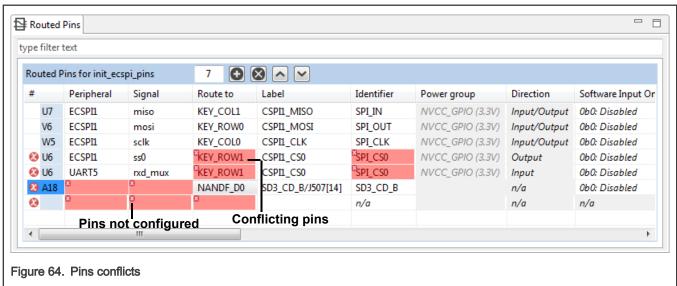
3.3.9 Highlighting and color coding

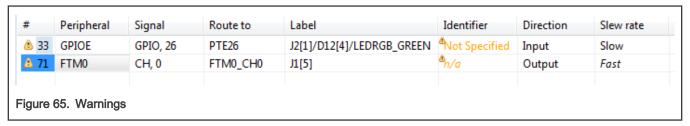
You can easily identify routed pins/peripherals in the package using highlighting. By default, the current selection (pin/peripheral) is highlighted in the **Package** view.

- The pin/peripheral is highlighted by yellow border around it in the **Package** view. If the highlighted pin/peripheral is selected, then it has a blue border around it.
- · Red indicates that the pin has an error.
- · Green indicates that the pin is muxed or used.
- Light gray indicates that the pin is available for mux, but is not muxed or used.
- Dark gray indicates that the pin/peripheral is dedicated. It is routed by default and has no impact on generated code.









· Package view

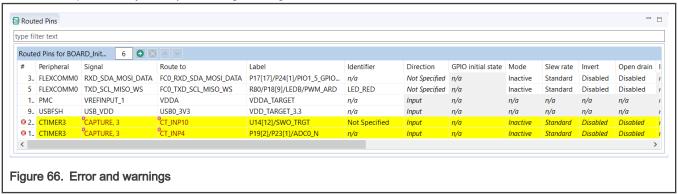
- Click the peripheral or use the pop-up menu to highlight peripherals:
 - and all allocated pins (to selected peripheral).
 - · or all available pins if nothing is allocated yet.
- Click the pin or use the pop-up menu to highlight the pin and the peripherals.
- Click outside the package to cancel the highlight.

· Peripherals / Pins view

— The peripheral and pin behaves as described above.

3.4 Errors and warnings

The Pins Tool checks for any conflict in the routing and also for errors in the configuration. Routing conflicts are checked across all **INIT** functions (default initialization functions). It is possible to configure different routing of one pin in different functions (not INIT functions) to allow dynamic pins routing reconfiguration.

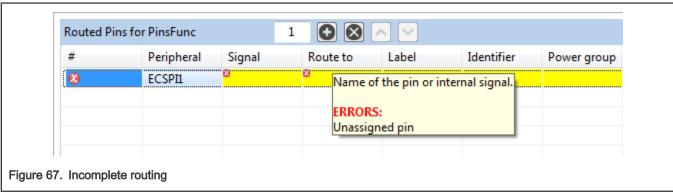


If an error or warning is encountered, the conflict in the **Routing Details** view is represented in the first column of the row and the error/warning is indicated in the cell, where the conflict was created. The last two rows in the figure above show the peripheral/signal where the erroneous configuration occurs. The detailed error/warning message appears as a tooltip.

For more information on error and warnings color, see the Highlighting and Color Coding section.

3.4.1 Incomplete routing

A cell with incomplete routing is indicated by a red background. To generate proper pin routing, click the drop-down arrow and select the suitable value. A red decorator on a cell indicates an error condition.



The tooltip of the cell shows more details about the conflict or the error, typically it lists the lines where conflict occurs.

You can also select Pins > Automatic Routing from the Main menu to resolve any routing issues.

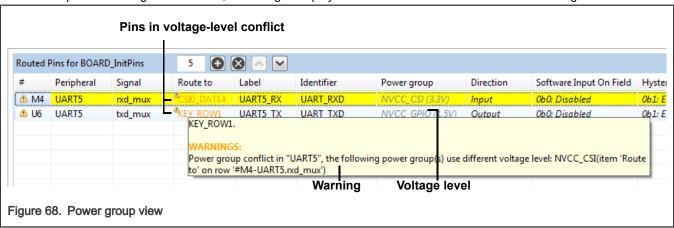
NOTE

Not all routing issues can be resolved automatically. In some cases, manual intervention is required.

3.4.2 Power groups voltage level conflicts

The Pins tool provides information about possible voltage level conflicts when the peripheral signals routed pins are configured from a different power groups and the power groups have different voltage level value set in **Power groups** view.

In case of a potential voltage level conflict, a warning is displayed - a useful feature for hardware board designers.



3.5 Code generation

If the settings are correct and no error is reported, the code generation engine instantly regenerates the source code. You can view the resulting code the **Code Preview** view of the **Pins** tool.

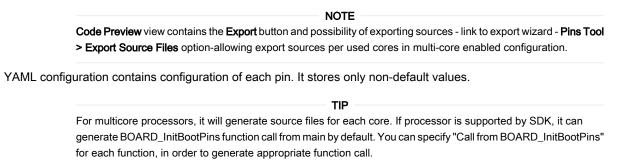
Code Preview automatically highlights differences between the current and immediately preceding iteration of the code. You can choose between two modes of highlighting by clicking the **Set viewing style for source differences**. You can also disable highlighting altogether from the same dropdown menu.

For multicores, the sources are generated for each core. Appropriate files are shown with @Core #{number} tag.

NOTE

The tag name may be different depending on the selected multi-core processor family/type.

You can also copy and paste the generated code into the source files. The view generates code for each function. In addition to the function comments, the tool configuration is stored in a YAML format. This comment is not intended for direct editing and can be used later to restore the pins configuration.



3.6 Using pins definitions in code

The Pins tool generates definitions of named constants that can be leveraged in the application code. Using such constants based on user-specified identifiers allows you to write code which is independent of configured routing. In the case you change the pin where the signal is routed, the application will still refer to the proper pin.

For example, when the *LED_RED* is specified an identifier of a pin routed to *PTB22*, the following defines are generated into the pin_mux.h:

```
#define BOARD_LED_RED_GPIO GPIOB /*!<@brief GPIO device name: GPIOB */
#define BOARD_LED_RED_PORT PORTB /*!<@brief PORT device name: PORTB *'/
#define BOARD_LED_RED_PIN 22U /*!<@brief PORTB pin index: 22 */</pre>
```

The name of the define is composed from function group prefix and pin identifier. For more details, see Functional groups and Labels and identifiers sections.

To write to this GPIO pin in application using the SDK driver (fsl_gpio.h), you can, for example, use the following code referring to the generated defines for the pin with identifier *LED_RED*:

```
GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_LED_RED_GPIO, BOARD_LED_RED_PIN, true);
```

3.7 Full initialization of pins

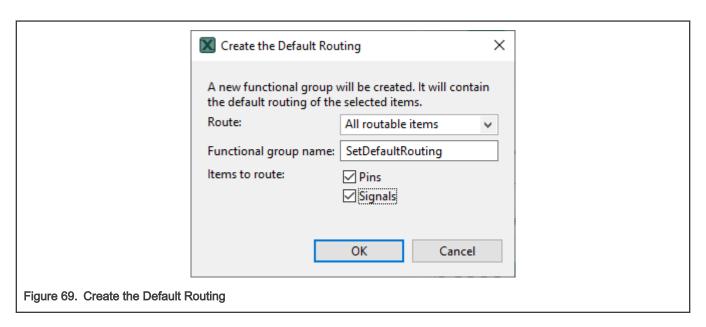
In some cases, the default values are not reliable, as there may be code running before the application that modifies the pin configuration (for example, a bootloader). The option **Full initialization of pins** ensures that the initialization is fully done even for items that use after-reset state. This option is specific for each **Functional group** allowing to force full initialization of routing. **Full initialization of pins** is not enabled by default. When enabled, the electrical properties of existing routing are changed. The "Reset" values are changed to explicit values corresponding with them. When the option is disabled, the pins tool changes the values that are matching after-reset state to the "Reset" values.

3.8 Create Default Routing

If necessary, it is possible to create a new functional group that will route default signals to pins and internal signals. The functionality is available in **Pins -> Create Default Routing**. There the user can select:

- · Whether all pins and signals will be routed, or only the ones that are not routed in other functional groups.
- The name of the new functional group.
- · Whether the routing is created for pins and/or internal signals.

In the created functional group, the Full initialization function of the pins feature will be set. The electrical properties of pins will be set to their after-reset state.



Chapter 4 DDR Tool

This section introduces the DDR configuration and validation tool, which is an embedded componen of Config tools for i.MX.

The DDR tool provides two main functionalities: configuration and validation.

Supported devices are indicated in the new project configuration page.

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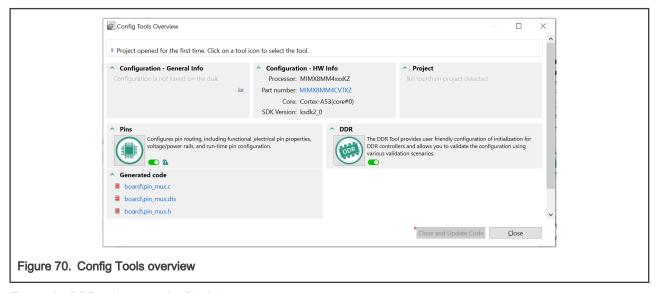
DDR tool is provided "as is" to aid customer capabilities of evaluating, debugging, and optimizing their designs. The results, or any part thereof, provided by the tool cannot be under any circumstances seen as a substitute for the traditional validation and compliance methods, which still need to be performed to declare compliance of the designs with the respective JEDEC standards.

4.1 Create a new DDR tool project

To use the DDR tool, you first must create a new project.

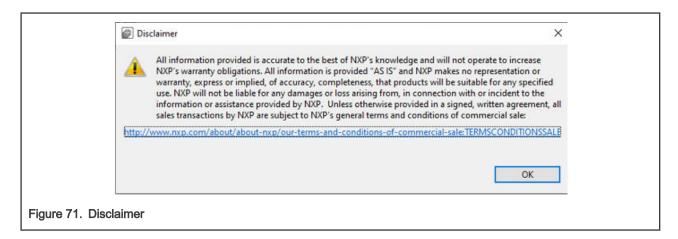
To create a new DDR tool project, follow these steps:

- 1. Open the Config tools for i.MX.
- 2. Choose Create a new standalone configuration for processor, board, or kit and click Next.
- 3. From Processors, choose one of the devices with DDR tool support and click Finish.
- 4. To open the DDR tool view, click the DDR tool icon.



5. To use the DDR tool, accept the Disclaimer.

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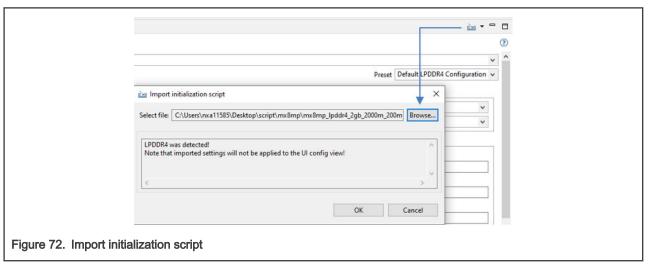
4.2 DDR configuration

The DDR configuration provides a user-friendly graphical interface to configure the DDR interface and other associated subsystems. You can use it to change the DDR controller and PHY configuration when a different memory module is used to the configuration and to optimize the parameters associated with signal integrity.

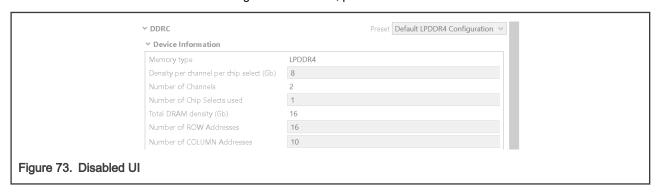
4.2.1 Import initialization script

Import initialization script allows loading the initialization script provided by the **Register Programming Aid (RPA)** tool and bypassing the UI configuration. To obtain the latest RPAs, refer to the following link on NPX community.

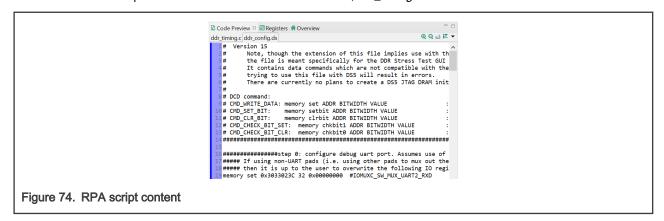
1. To import the RPA initialization script, use the Import initialization script button and browse for the desired *.ds file



2. To load the *.ds file and disable the UI configuration interface, press OK.

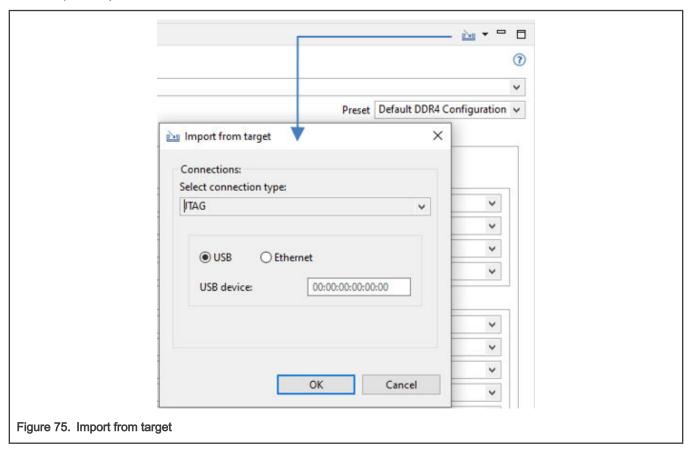


3. The contents of the imported *.ds file is shown in Code Preview, ddr_config.ds



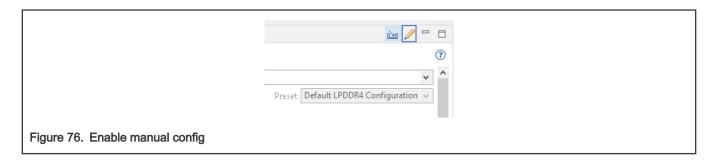
4.2.2 Import from target

Import from target allows loading the DDR initialization of an already configured working target and bypassing the UI configuration. Use this option only for devices with JTAG connection available.



4.2.3 Enable manual configuration

To switch back to UI configuration, press the button "Enable manual config".



4.2.4 UI configuration

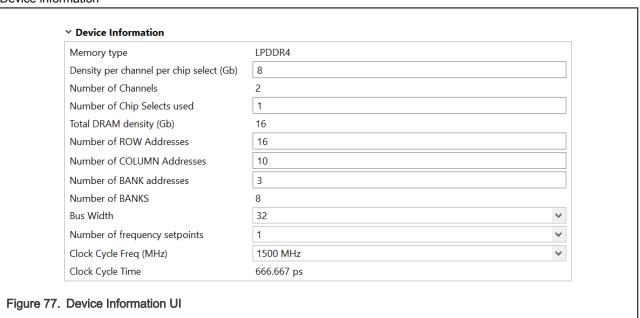
The UI configuration allows you to change manually Device Information, PHY options, or Design-specific configuration. There are two modes available, **Basic** and **Advanced**.

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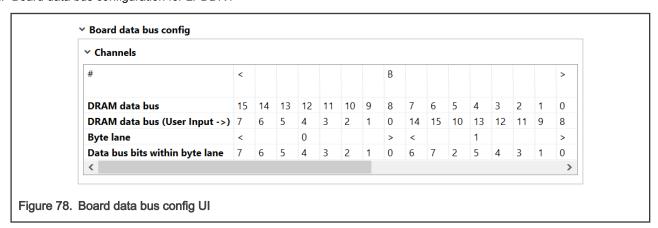
Advanced mode is only recommended for experienced users.

Basic mode allows you to configure the parameters that are design-dependent.

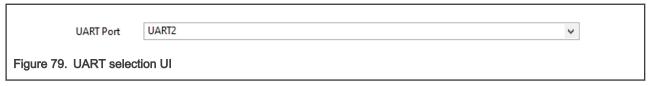
1. Device information



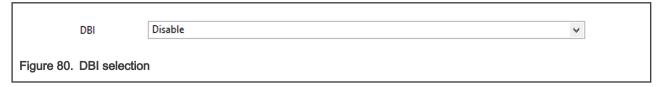
2. Board data bus configuration for LPDDR4



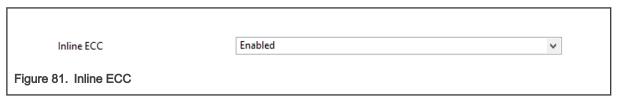
3. UART port selection



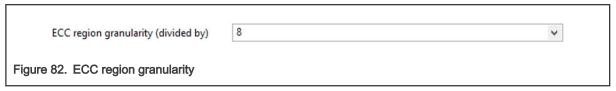
4. DBI selection (for LPDDR4)



- 5. Inline ECC configuration (for devices with Inline ECC support) allows selection of the following parameters:
 - a. Enable/Disable Inline ECC

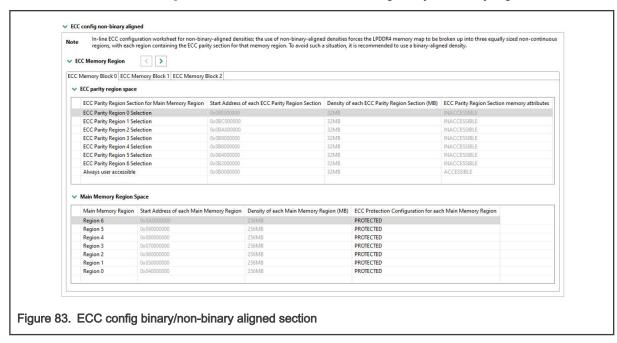


b. ECC region granularity



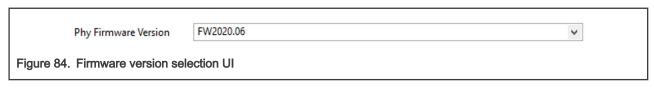
c. ECC protection configuration for each Main Memory Region

The overview of the ECC configuration is summarized in the ECC config binary/non-binary aligned section.



Advanced mode allows you to configure additional parameters.

1. The firmware version is the one officially supported by the BSP, but the **DDR tool** offers the possibility to select between multiple versions.



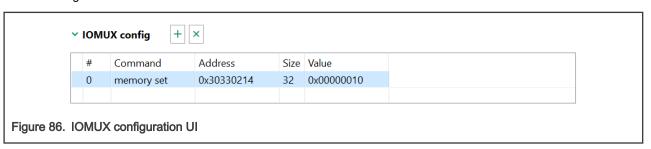
NOTE

Use only the Firmware version for your specific SoC and BSP GA version. Not all Firmware versions are supported for each SOC.

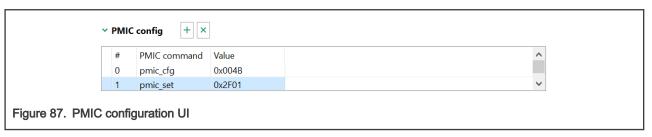
2. PHY log level selection



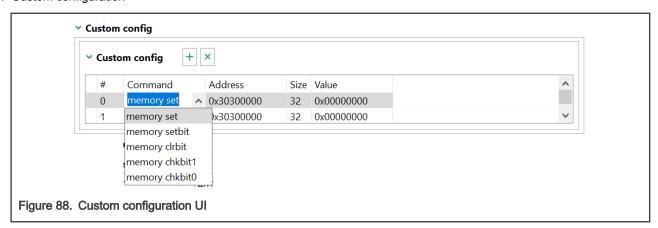
3. IOMUX configuration



4. PMIC configuration sequence



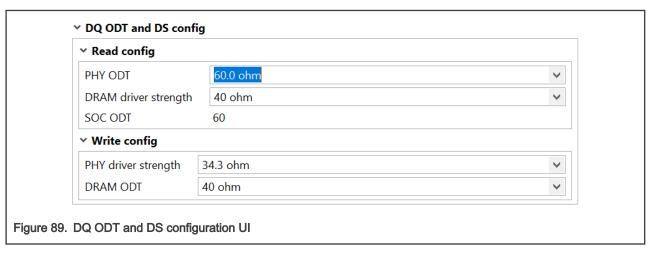
5. Custom configuration



NOTE

Any write to an incorrect address may cause unexpected behavior.

6. DQ ODT and DS configuration



7. CA ODT and DS configuration - Informational Only



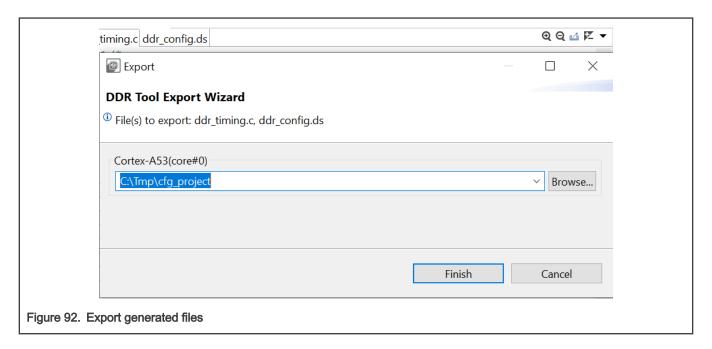
4.2.5 Code generation

You can generate the configuration as C code in the Code Preview View, which can be used by the U-Boot SPL driver.

You can trigger code generation by any change in the GUI, it is highlighted in the Code Preview.

```
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            ddr timing.c ddr config.ds
               1 /3
               2 * Copyright 2019 NXP
               4 * SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+
               6 * Generated code from MX8M DDR tool
               7 * Align with uboot version:
               8 * imx_v2018.03_4.14.78_1.0.0_ga ~ imx_v2018.04_4.19.35_1.1.0_ga
               9 */
              10
              11#include ux/kernel.h>
              12 #include <asm/arch/imx8m_ddr.h>
              14 struct dram_cfg_param ddr_ddrc_cfg[] = {
                     /** Initialize DDRC registers **/
              16
                     {0x3d400304, 0x1},
Figure 91. Code Preview
```

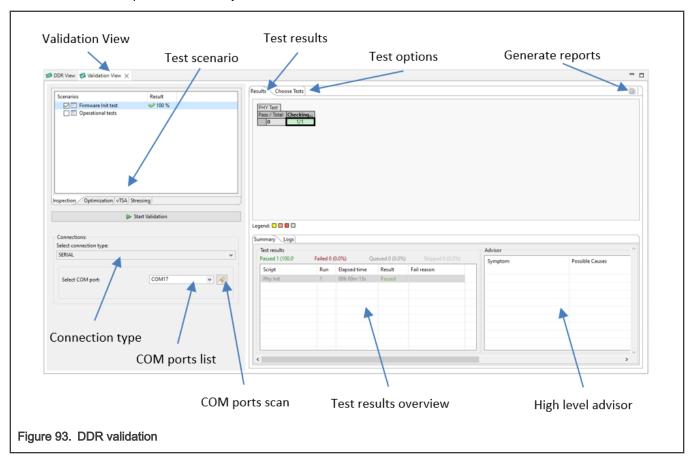
You can save files from Code Preview on the disk by using DDR tool Export Wizard.



4.3 DDR validation

The DDR validation uses different scenarios to assess DDR performance, by downloading a test image to the processor's internal RAM.

DDR validation can help to assess stability of the DDR interface on the board in a non-OS environment.



4.3.1 Connection

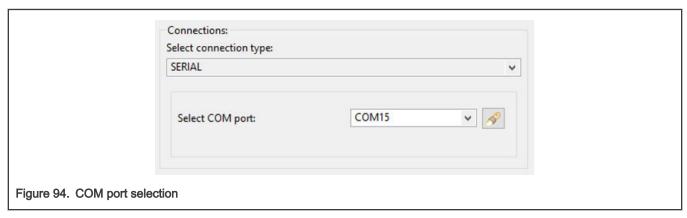
This section describes connection to boards of various types.

4.3.1.1 Boards with Serial Download mode/Manufacture mode

To connect to a board, do the following:

- 1. Configure the board to boot in the Serial Download mode/Manufacture mode and power up the board.
- 2. Connect a UART cable from the host computer to the UART of the A-core on the board.
- 3. Connect a USB cable from the host computer to the USB port on the board that is used by the Serial Download mode. An "HID-compliant device" or a "USB Input Device" is shown in the Windows Device Manager.

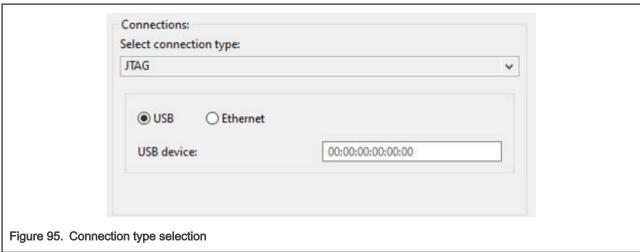
With the board connected to the host computer, search the UART ports by using **COM port scan**. COM port drop list is populated with all the available UART ports.



Choose the correct UART that is used as the A-core debug UART port.

4.3.1.2 Boards with JTAG connection available

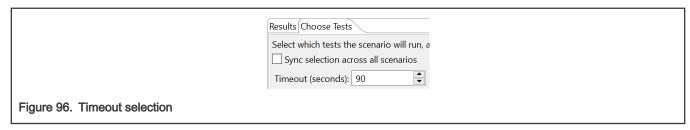
- 1. Connect the JTAG probe (only the CWTAP probe is supported) to the board.
- 2. Select between USB or Ethernet connection.



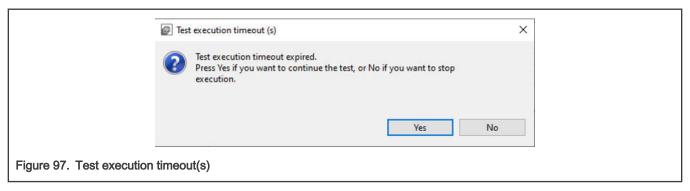
4.3.2 Test scenarios

Once the DDR configuration and board connection are set up, you can execute different **Test scenarios**. You can customize each test by setting the parameters from **Test options**.

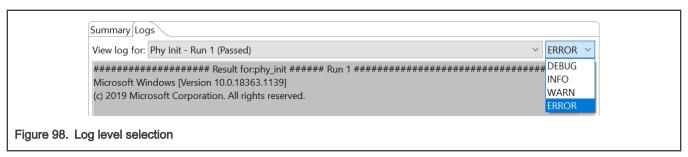
Depending on the test and options selected, the execution time may differ. By default a 90 seconds timeout is set, to assure that in case of an issue the test finishes. To change the default value, edit the **Timeout (seconds)** option:



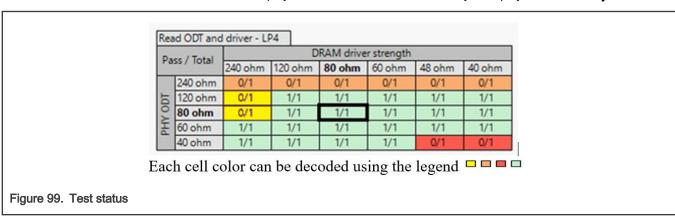
When initial timeout expires, provide the input to continue or not the test execution.



To start test execution, press the "Start Validation" button. You can check the status of the running test from the Logs console. By default, the log level is set to ERROR. Additional log-level options are available, with different output in the console:

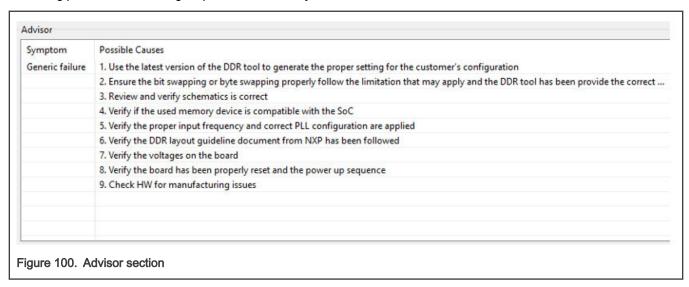


At the end of the test, the PASS/FAIL status is displayed in "Results". The test summary is displayed in "Summary".



- · Yellow is for Test failed
- · Orange is for Configuration error
- · Red is for Target connection error or exception in the script
- · Green is for Test passed

If a test fails, the **Summary** view in the **Advisor** section displays **Symptom** and **Possible Causes** to provide high-level guidance on the debug process when looking for possible DDR subsystem issues.

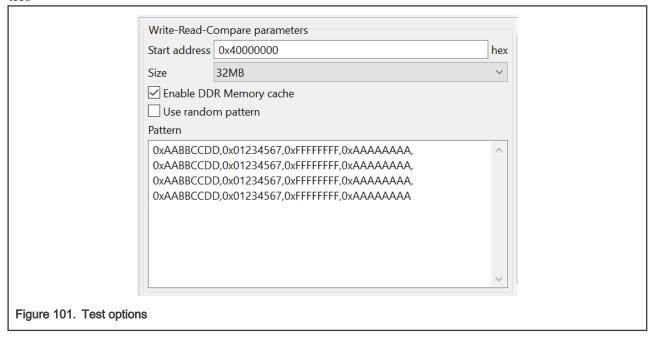


The DDR tool offers several test scenarios that can be split into Inspection, Optimization, vTSA, and Stressing.

4.3.2.1 Inspection

Inspection shows the status of the DDR Controller and DDR PHY configuration, by executing following tests:

- 1. Firmware Init executes the DDR PHY training to check the DDR PHY configuration.
- Operational performs basic memory access test by running Write-Read-Compare/ Walking Ones/ Walking Zeros tests.
 Such options as Start Address, Size, Enable DDR Memory cache, Access mode/Pattern option are available for each test.



 ECC Regions test – tests each ECC region with 1-bit error injection to verify the region's ECC capability (protected or unprotected).

NOTE
The text is possible only for devices with inline ECC support.

4.3.2.2 Optimization

DQ ODT and driver strength tests sweep the DQ IO configurations to create board-specific Driver Strength vs. ODT PASS/FAIL map for the Reads and the Writes.

NOTE

Optimization is not available when UI configuration is bypassed by RPA initialization script import.



Figure 102. DQ ODT and DS map

For passing cells (Green cells), the option *Apply current selection in DDR configuration* (right-click on the cell) is enabled. It sets the respective Driver Strength and ODT value into the configuration for use in other scenarios.

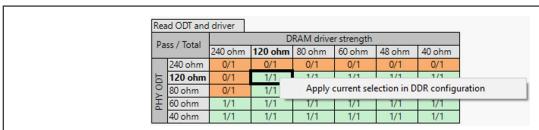


Figure 103. Apply DQ ODT and DS configuration

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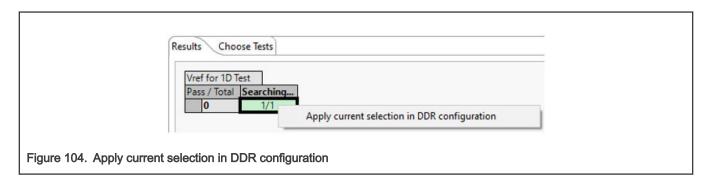
You can use the Driver Strength vs. ODT map as one of the criteria when deriving optimal ODT/Driver Strength values. This map cannot serve as all-comprising output to make this determination.

NOTE

NXP strongly recommends using the default ODT and Drive strength values that are tested and validated as part of our GA BSP. To ensure that your design adheres to the board layout requirements, refer to the device i.MX 8M Hardware Developer's Guide.

Vref for 1D optimization test sweeps the PHY Vref and/or DRAM Vref to determine the values for the PHY training to pass in case PHY training fails and to determine the trained values after the 2D training.

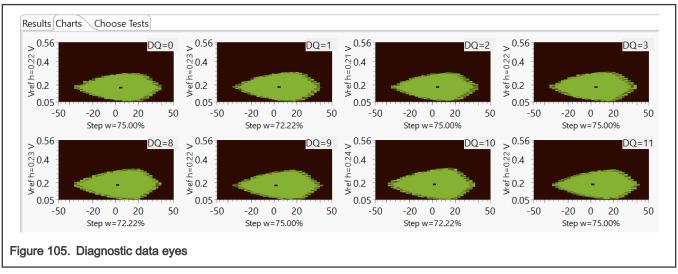
When the test passes, *Apply current selection in DDR configuration* option is enabled. It sets the respective PHY Vref and DRAM Vref values into the configuration.



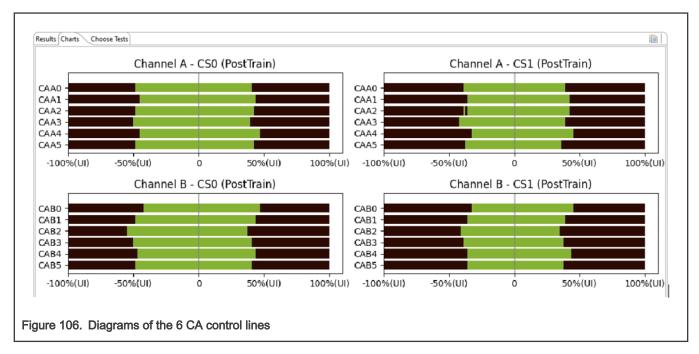
4.3.2.3 vTSA

vTSA performs Virtual Timing Signal Analysis by running tests to determine margins of DDR subsystem.

Diag Write Margin/ Diag Read Margin tests creates virtual data eye diagram for each DQ lanes.



CA bus signals test creates post training diagrams of the 6 CA control lines for each channel and CS.



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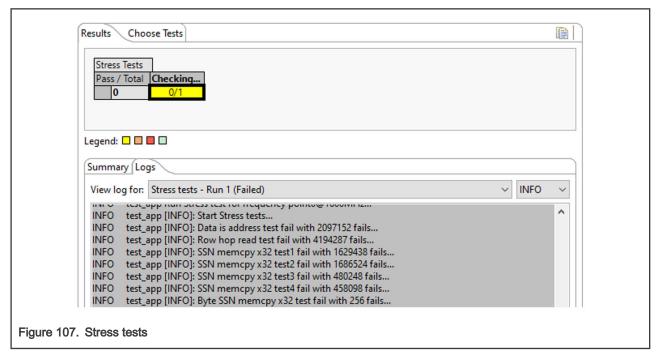
Details about vTSA are provided in FAQ section.

4.3.2.4 Stressing

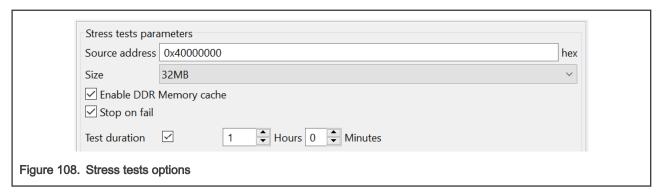
To test the stability of the DDR configuration more extensively, you can use the *Stressing* scenario, with its suite of tests that covers different situations.

Two ways of running Stress tests are available:

1. Single run runs the test suite one time with different options selected (Size, Enable DDR Memory cache, Stop on fail). In case of failure, you can check the status of each test in the suite in the **Logs** console, with Log level set to **INFO**



2. Test duration runs the test suite for a selected time. This is suitable for overnight tests.



In the Logs console, you can monitor test execution and see the number of iterations and the duration.



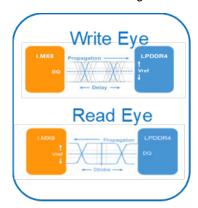
NOTE

Make sure the **Timeout (seconds)** setting is higher than the **Test duration** setting, otherwise the test ends with timeout.

4.4 FAQ

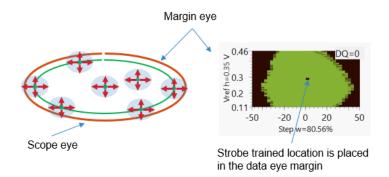
- 1. What does vTSA mean?
 - a. vTSA is an abbreviation for Virtual Timing Signal Analysis.
 - b. A "virtual" TSA uses the memory controller itself to test margins without test equipment. "Virtual" does not mean simulation!
 - c. Memory controllers have the ability the alter timings, voltage references, termination settings, and so on, for both incoming and outgoing signals.
 - d. "Training" is a process when the memory controller sweeps these parameters and finds the configuration with the most margin for operation.
 - e. A vTSA simply logs this information for output, which provides insight into the signaling margin of the system without the need for test equipment.
 - f. Initialization and calibration settings can be dumped to a file for analysis as well.
- 2. What is the vTSA output?
 - a. Virtual Timing Signal Analysis(vTSA) provides write and read data eye diagrams virtually by running a series of write/read transactions as opposed to the hardware method of using a high-speed oscilloscope to perform manual physical TSA (pTSA) measurements.

- b. This being the case, vTSA output itself approximates the actual write/read eyes.
- c. You should expect some variation between trained values of delay lines and VREF in comparison to the vTSA report of these values.
- d. vTSA only reports the values it detects in the "widest" part of the reported eye, which may itself vary from run-to-run.
- e. The key takeaway from using this tool is to display the virtual write/read eyes to convince the user of the robustness of their design.

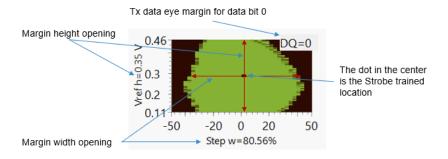


3. Need more information about vTSA?

- a. The vTSA tool is an approximation of an actual pTSA. Thus, you may note some variation between the trained delay line value and the vTSA "mid" value. It is observed and expected that this variation may be up to ~20 ps. The key takeaway from the generated eye diagrams should be focused on verifying the ample margin of the trained delay line value within the data eye.
- b. For the trained VREF value, the LPDDR4 device Mode Register 14 (MR14 which holds the trained VREF value) applies to ALL byte lanes. In other words per JEDEC, there is not an MR14 per byte lane and instead, MR14 applies to all byte lanes.
- c. For a board that follows the NXP DDR layout guidelines, there should be plenty of margin around the VREF trained value. You can find the guidelines in the respective NXP Hardware Developer Guide.
- 4. How a data eye margin is generated?
 - a. There are several delay steps available to shift each DQ and DQS.
 - b. As DQ crosses the unit interval, from zero-step delay to 1 unit internal step delay, each step is tested with a write-read-compare test to determine pass or fail.
 - c. The DQ traverse of the unit interval is repeated for all available VREF steps.
 - d. Delay steps generate a line, and repeating the lines at each VREF step generates data eye margin.
 - e. The crossing of DQS signal with trained VREF and delay step is placed in the generated data eye margin.
 - f. Each passing dot in the margin eye already meets the setup, hold, and voltage requirement.



- 5. What represents the information next to the data eye?
 - a. Unit interval = 1/data rate; for example, at 3200MT/s data rate the unit interval = 312.5 ps
 - b. The x-axis displays the time. It is one unit interval in percentage. -50 % to +50 %
 - c. The x-axis data eye margin width opening is displayed as the percentage of one unit interval. For example: Step w=80.56 % of UI
 - d. The y-axis displays the voltage.
 - e. The y-axis open data eye margin height/amplitude opening is displayed in voltage. Ex: Vref h=0.35 V



- 6. How much margin is considered as good?
 - a. To determine the required margin mask, you must do the following:
 - · Optimize The DDR interface
 - Settings have been optimized, generate the worst-case data eye margin using the worst-case conditions (temperature, voltage, frequency, pattern) for a customer board DDR interface.
 - · Use the DDR training optimizing/centering the strobe to the eye margin
 - b. A green pixel in the data eye margin indicates a passing cell. It means for that green pixel the setup and hold time as well as the VIHLac/dc are satisfactory.
 - Any additional green pixels around the strobe location in the data eye margin are additional margin available to DDR for that DQ.
- 7. Why is the trained Vref sometimes not in the exact center of the eye?
 - a. The VREF training must select a value that corresponds to all of the byte lanes' passing VREF window and then program this value into the LPDDR4 MR14 register. It means that for a one-byte lane, though the trained VREF value may not seem to be in the exact center of the data eye, it is selected to provide the best possible margin for this byte lane along with satisfying the other byte lanes.
- 8. How to check that wrong UART is selected?

Set the Log Level to DEBUG and check the messages from console

File "C:\nxp\i.MX_CFG_v9\bin\python38\serial\serialwin32.py", line 62, in open raise SerialException("could not open port {!r}: {!r}".format(self.portstr, ctypes.WinError())) serial.serialutil.SerialException: could not open port 'COM4': PermissionError(13, 'Access is denied.', None, 5) or

Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\ProgramData\NXP\mcu_data_v9\processors\MIMX8MM4xxxKZ\ksdk2_0\mem_validation\ddrc\scripts\common\base_test.py", line 224, assert self.is_waiting_for_input()

AssertionError

- 9. How to proceed in case of test timeout?
 - a. In case of test timeout, the below pop-up window appears



b. Increase the timeout (second) option and rerun the test. If you get the below error, power off the board, unplug the UART cable, power on the board, plug in the UART cable

Traceback (most recent call last):
File "C:\ProgramData\NXP\mcu_data_v9\processors\MIMX8MM4xxxKZ\ksdk2_0\mem_validation\ddrc\scripts\common\base_test.py", line 224, assert self.is_waiting_for_input()
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Chapter 5 Trusted Execution Environment Tool

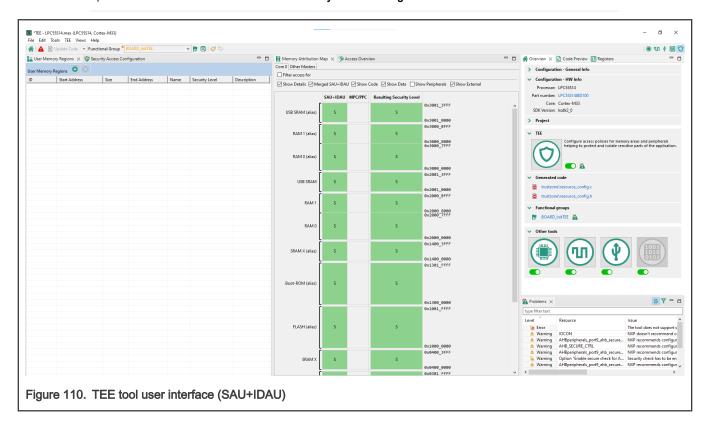
In the **Trusted Execution Environment**, or **TEE** tool, you can configure security policies of memory areas, bus masters, and peripherals, in order to isolate and safeguard sensitive areas of your application.

You can set security policies of different parts of your application in the **Security Access Configuration** and its subviews, and review these policies in the **Memory Attribution Map**, **Access Overview** and **Domains Overview** views. Use the **User Memory Regions** view to create a convenient overview of memory regions and their security levels.

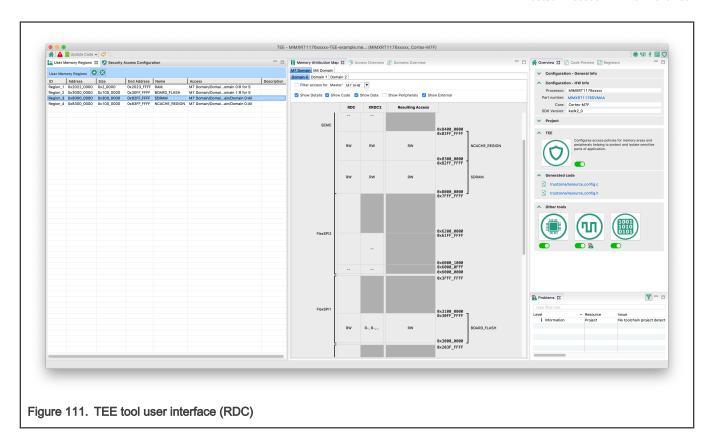
You can also view registers handled by the TEE tool in the Registers view, and inspect the code in the Code Preview tool.

NOTE

In order for your configuration to come into effect, make sure you have enabled the relevant enable secure check option in the **Miscellaneous** subview of the **Security Access Configuration** view.



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5.1 AHB with security extension-enabled devices

The features and appearance of the TEE tool are based on the security model of the loaded device.

This section describes the features and appearance of the tool for devices with security extensions AHBSC and TZ+TRDC.

Currently, following devices of this type are supported:

- LPC55Sxx
 - LPC55S69, LPC55S66
 - LPC55S16, LPC55S14
 - LPC55S06, LPC55S04
- KW45
- RT6xx, RT5xx
 - MIMXRT685S, MIMXRT633S
 - MIMXRT595S, MIMXRT555S, MIMXRT533S

NOTE
Pre-production only.

5.1.1 User Memory Regions view

In the **User Memory Regions** view, you can create and maintain a high-level configuration of memory regions and their security levels. You can create the regions, name them, specify their address, size, security level, and provide them with a description. You can then fix any errors in the settings with the help of the **Problems** view.

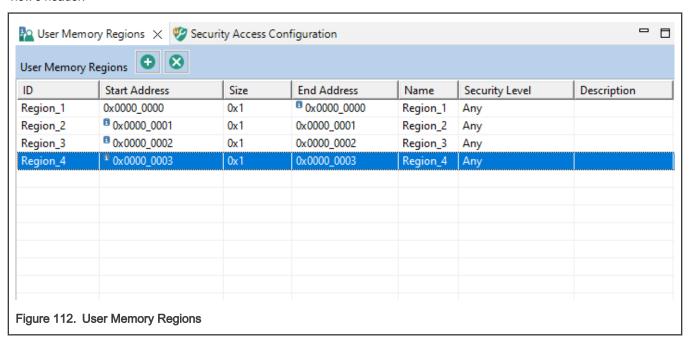
Create a new memory region by clicking the Add new memory region button in the view's header.

Enter/change the memory region's parameters by clicking the row's cells. In the **Security Level** column, you have these options to choose from:

- NS-User Non-secure user
- NS-Priv Non-secure privileged
- S-User Secure user
- · S-Priv Secure privileged
- NSC-User Non-secure callable user
- · NSC-Priv Non-secure callable privileged
- Any

Errors in configuration are highlighted by a red icon in the relevant cell. In the case the issue is easily fixed, you can right-click the cell to display a dropdown list of offered solutions.

Remove the memory region by selecting the table row and clicking the **Remove selected memory region(s)** button in the view's header.



5.1.2 Security Access Configuration view

In the **Security Access Configuration** view, you can configure your application's security policies in a number of ways. See the following sections for more details.

5.1.2.1 SAU

In the SAU subview, you can enable and configure SAU (Security attribution unit).

When enabled, you can set up SAU memory regions, specify their start and size or end address, and specify their security level. SAU automatically sets the entire memory space to a Secure security level when disabled. It also sets the entire memory space to a secure security level when enabled but without set memory regions.

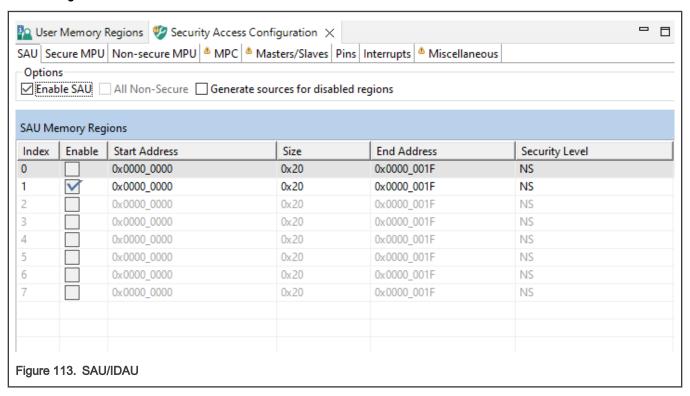
You can choose between two security levels:

- NS Non-secure
- NSC Non-secure callable

Alternatively, you can set all the SAU memory regions to non-secure security level by selecting the All Non-Secure.

NOTEThis option is only available when SAU is disabled.

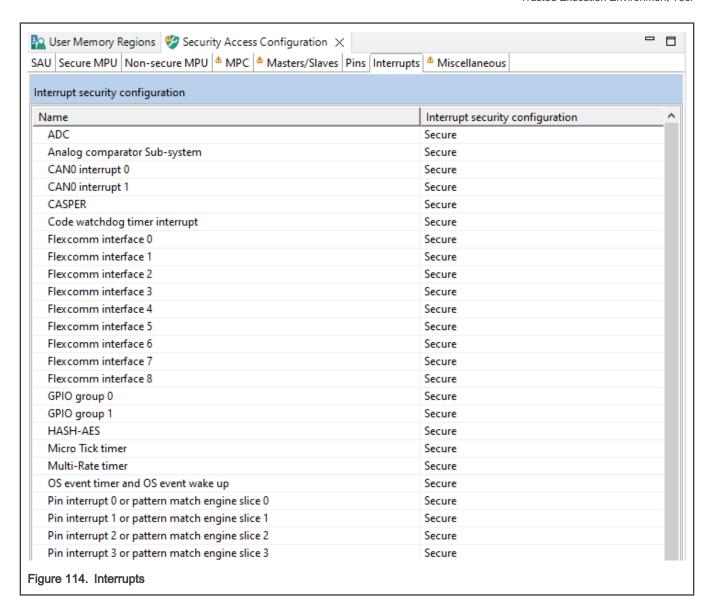
You can also decide to generate code even for disabled memory regions by selecting the option **Generate sources for disabled regions**.



5.1.2.2 Interrupts

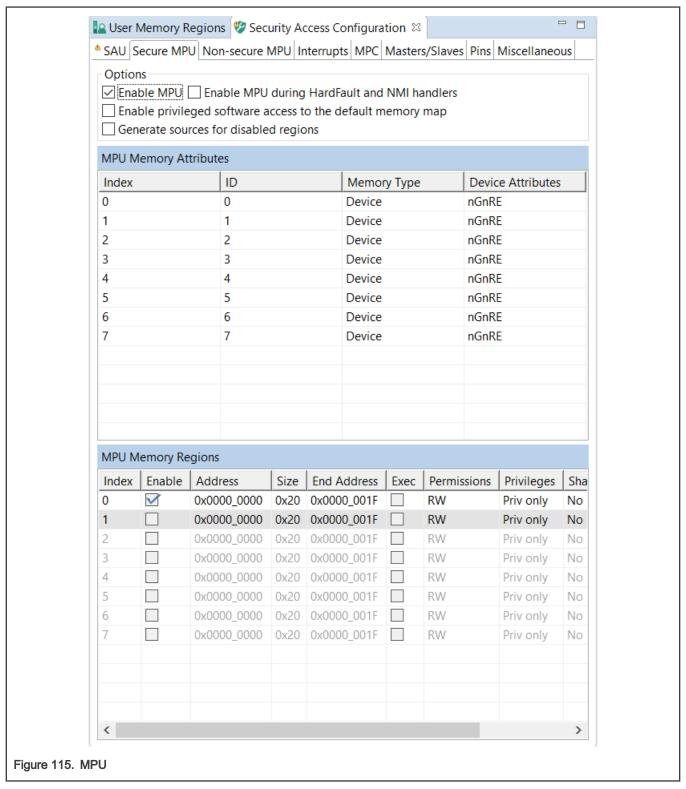
In the **Interrupts** subview, you can set security designation for device's peripheral interrupts. In case if the processor contains more than a single core or processing unit, additional **Handling by Core** tables might appear. In these tables, you can specify if the interrupts coming from the peripheral can be handled by the core or processing unit.

All interrupts are set to **Secure** by default. If you want to change the interrupt source's security designation, left-click the **Secure** cell of the interrupt and choose from the dropdown menu. Alternatively, right-click the interrupt's **Name** cell and choose the security designation from the context menu. To select multiple entries, use the **Ctrl+Left-click** shortcut, then right-click the selected area for the context menu. Alternatively, you can use **Shift+Up/Down** after selecting the row to expand the selection.



5.1.2.3 Secure/Non-secure MPU

In the **Secure MPU** and **Non-secure MPU** sub-views, you can enable and configure MPU (Memory Protection Unit). You can create regions, specify their address, size, and other parameters. Use the **Secure MPU** sub-view for the configuration of the secure, and **Non-secure MPU** for the configuration of the non-secure security level.



MPU is disabled by default and must be enabled by selecting the **Enable MPU** option.

NOTE

Not every device supports MPU.

Use the **MPU Memory Attributes** table to name and configure MPU memory attribute sets. Click the cells of the **Memory Type** and **Device Attributes** columns to display the available choices.

Use the MPU Memory Regions table to enable and configure MPU memory regions.

- 1. Enable the region.
- 2. Specify the Address.
- 3. Specify either the Size or the End Address.
- 4. Set the **Exec** option if you want the region to be able to run code.
- 5. Set the **Permissions** (Read Only or Read/Write).
- 6. Set the Privileges.

NOTE

Privileged access can be set by default for all memory regions not handled by MPU by selecting the Enable privileged software access to the default memory map option.

- 7. Set the Shareability, or the caching options.
- 8. Allocate one of the sets from the MPU Memory Attributes table in Mem.Attr.. Sets can be allocated to more than one region.

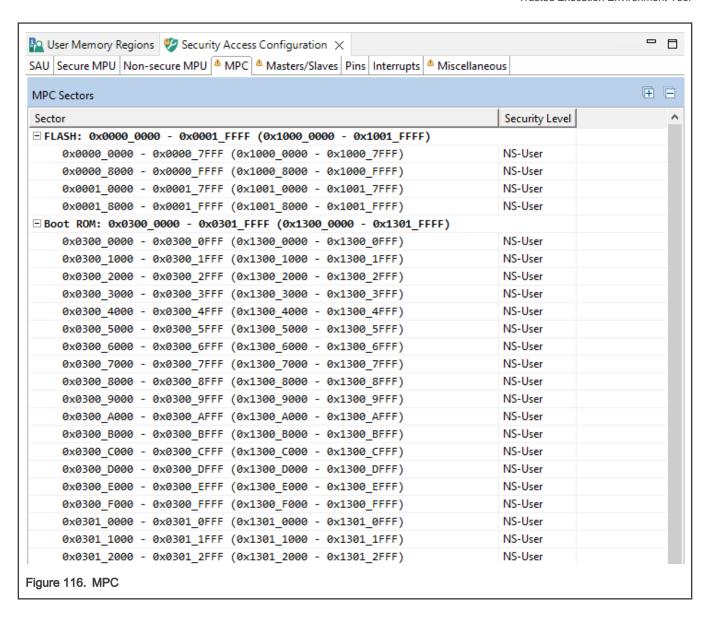
5.1.2.4 MPC

In the **MPC** (Memory Protection Checker) subview, you can set security policies on entire memory sectors as defined by physical addresses.

Set the memory sector security level by left-clicking the relevant cell in the **Security level** column and choosing from the dropdown list. Alternatively, you can right-click the relevant cell in the **Sector** column and choose the security level from the context menu. To select multiple entries, use the **Ctrl+Left-click** shortcut, then right-click the selected area for the context menu.

You have four security levels to choose from, in ascending order of security:

- NS-User Non-secure user
- NS-Priv Non-secure privileged
- S-User Secure user
- · S-Priv Secure privileged



5.1.2.5 Masters/Slaves

In the Masters/Slaves subview, you can configure security levels for bus masters and slaves.

Set the bus master/slave security level by left-clicking the relevant cell in the **Security level** column and choosing from the dropdown list. Alternatively, you can right-click the relevant cell in the **Master** and **Slave** column and choose from the security level from the context menu. To select multiple entries, use the **Ctrl+Left-click** shortcut, then right-click the selected area for the context menu.

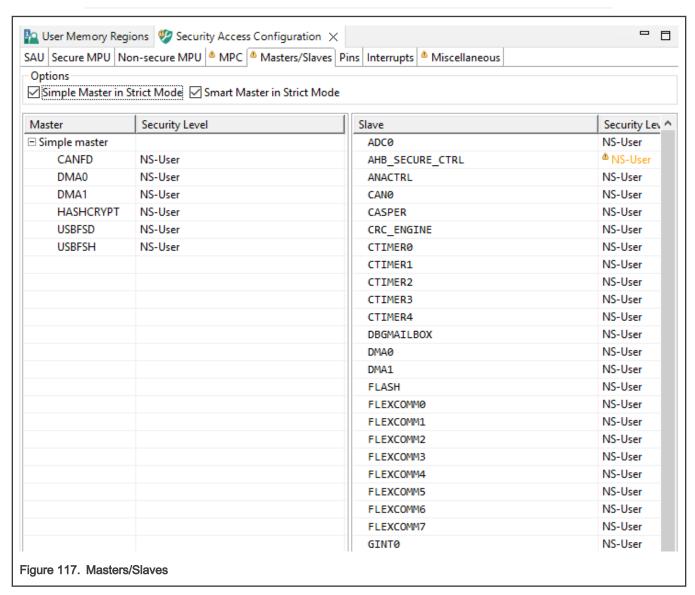
You have four security levels to choose from, in ascending order of security:

- NS-User Non-secure user
- · NS-Priv Non-secure privileged
- S-User Secure user
- · S-Priv Secure privileged

You can further specify the interrelation between master and slave security levels by selecting the following options:

- Simple Master in Strict Mode Select to allow simple bus master to read and write on same level only. De-select to allow to read and write on same and lower level.
- Smart Master in Strict Mode Select to allow smart bus master to execute, read, and write to memory at same level only.
 De-select to allow to execute on same level only, read and write on same and lower level.

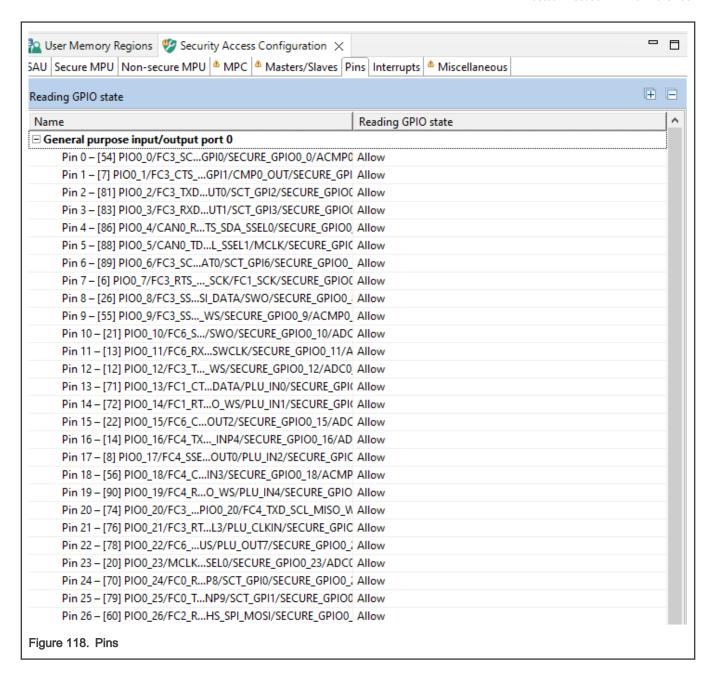
NOTEInstruction-type bus master security level must be equal to bus slave security level. Data and others security level must be equal or higher than bus slave security level.

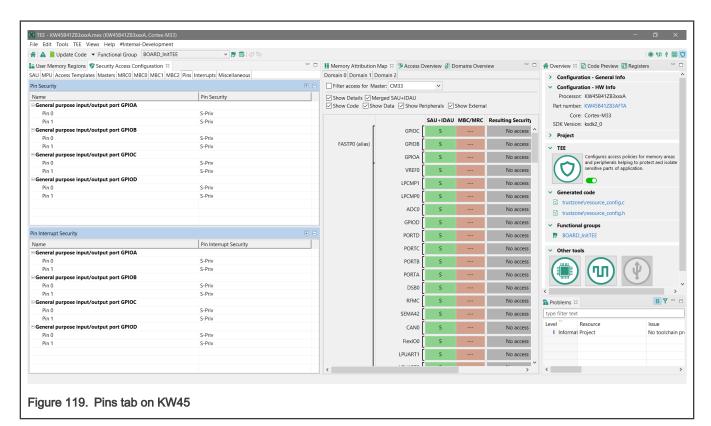


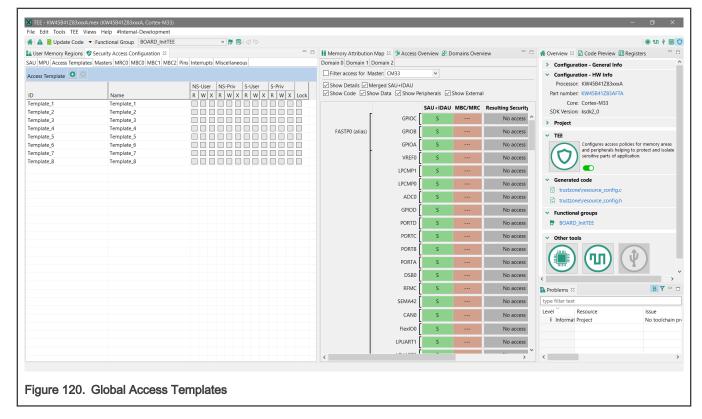
5.1.2.6 Pins

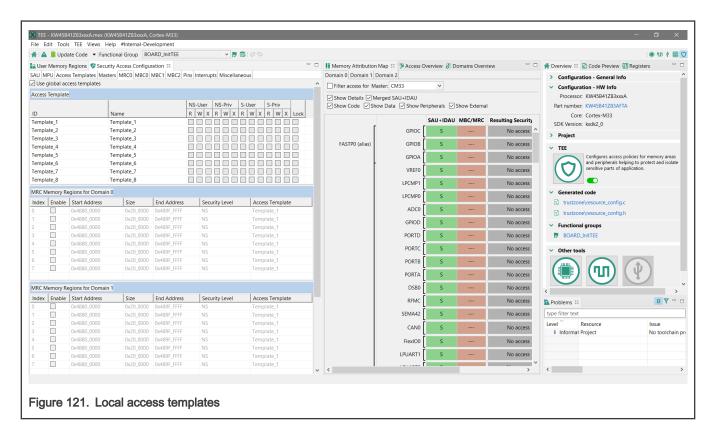
In the **Pins** subview, you can specify if the reading GPIO state is allowed or denied.

All pins' reading GPIO state is set to **Allow** by default. If you want to change the pins reading GPIO state, left-click the **Reading GPIO state** cell of the pin and choose from the dropdown menu. Alternatively, right-click the pin's **Name** cell and choose the reading GPIO state from the context menu. To select multiple entries, use the **Ctrl+Left-click** shortcut, then right-click the selected area for the context menu. Alternatively, you can use **Shift+Up/Down** after selecting the row to expand the selection.



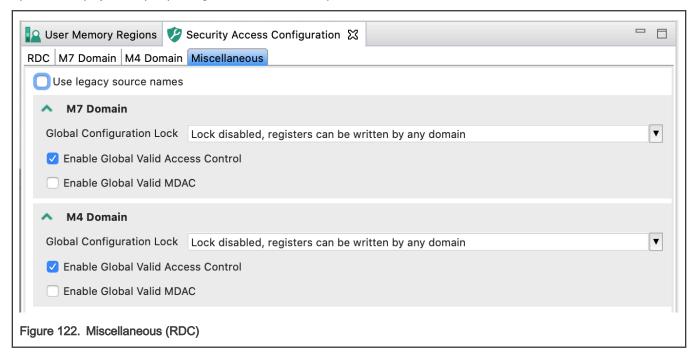






5.1.2.7 Miscellaneous

In the **Miscellaneous** subview, you can set various configuration options. The list of these options depends on processor data, and varies greatly. All the options influence your register settings, and can be inspected in the **Register** view. Only some of the options directly influence configuration that you have made in the **Security Access Configuration** view. Point your cursor over individual options to display a tooltip explaining the function of each option.



5.1.3 Memory attribution map

In the Memory attribution map, you can view security levels set for memory regions. This view is read-only.

5.1.3.1 Core 0

In the **Core 0** subview, you can review security levels set for Core 0 to the code, data, and peripherals memory regions. The table is read-only.

The Access by Master table displays MSW or SAU+IDAU, MPC (Memory Protection Checker) security level, and Resulting Security Level status of listed code, data, and peripherals memory regions, alongside their physical addresses.

To set the display options, do the following:

- 1. Click the Filter access for checkbox to enable filtering options.
- 2. Select the master security access that you want to review by choosing from the Master dropdown menu.
- 3. Optionally, set the security level of the selected master by choosing from the **Security mode** dropdown menu. This setting has no effect on the configuration.
- 4. Optionally, customize the output by de-selecting the Show details and Merged SAU+IDAU options.
- 5. Optionally, filter displayed memory regions in the Filter area.

Point your cursor over the color-coded cells to display a tooltip with information about the security level combination.

Double-click the cell to open the pertinent settings in Security Access Configuration.



5.1.3.2 Other masters

In the **Other Masters** subview, you can review security attributes of memory in relation to access rights by master other than Core 0. The table is read-only.

To set the display options, do the following:

- 1. Click the Filter access for checkbox to enable filtering options.
- 2. Select the master type security access that you want to review by choosing from the Master dropdown menu.
- 3. Optionally, customize the output by de-selecting the Show Details, Show Code, Show Data, and Show Peripherals options.
- 4. Optionally, filter displayed memory regions in the Filter area.

Point your cursor over the color-coded fields to display a tooltip with information about the security level combination.

Double-click the cell to open the pertinent settings in Security Access Configuration.



5.1.4 Access Overview

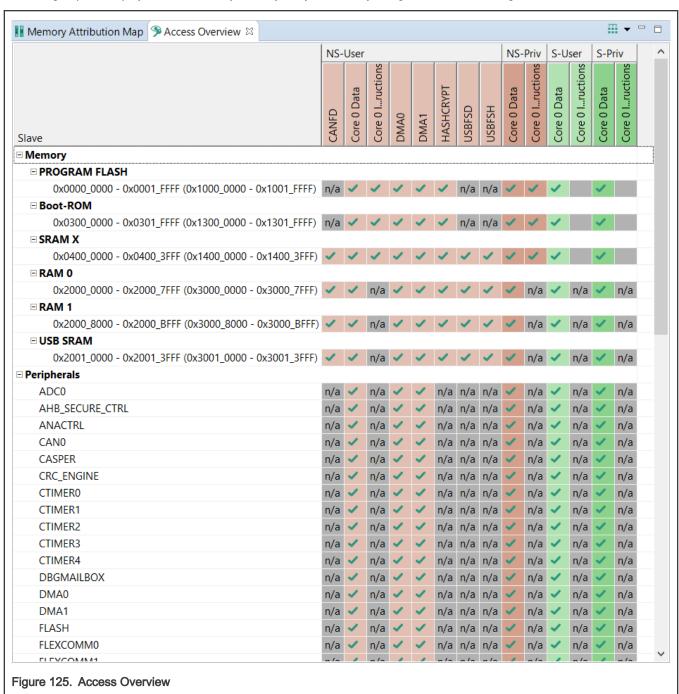
In Access Overview, you can review security policies you have set in Security Access Configuration view.

The vertical axis displays all masters, divided into color-coded groups by their security settings.

The horizontal axis displays memory ranges and slave buses/peripherals.

Point your cursor at an entry to display a tooltip with information about the entry.

You can group the displayed information by security or by masters by using the button on the right-hand side of the toolbar.



5.1.5 Code generation

If the settings are correct and no error is reported, the code generation engine instantly regenerates the source code. You can view the resulting code the **Code Preview** view of the **Trusted Execution Environment** tool.

Code Preview automatically highlights differences between the current and immediately preceding iteration of the code. You can choose between two modes of highlighting by clicking the **Set viewing style for source differences**. You can also disable highlighting altogether from the same dropdown menu.

Some AHB with security extension-enabled devices support ROM preset as well as C code. You can choose to have the code generated in the ROM preset by selecting the option in the **Miscellaneous** subview.

5.2 RDC-enabled devices

The features and appearance of the TEE tool are based on the security model of the loaded device.

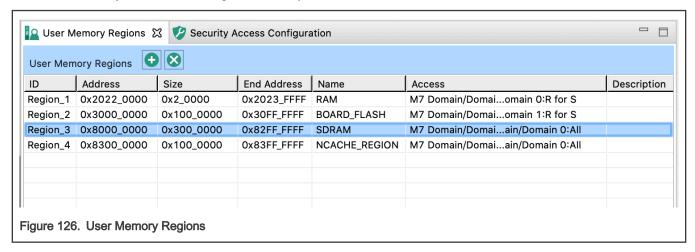
This section describes the features and appearance of the tool devices with enabled RDC (Resource Domain Controller) and XRDC2 (eXtended Resource Controller 2).

Currently, following devices of this type are supported:

- RT1170
 - Dual core (Cortex-M7 + Cortex-M4): MIMXRT1176, MIMXRT1175, MIMXRT1173
 - Single core only (Cortex-M7): MIMXRT1172, MIMXRT1171

5.2.1 User Memory Regions view

In the **User Memory Regions** view, you can create and maintain a high-level configuration of memory regions and their access templates. You can create the regions, name them, specify their address, size, security level, and provide them with a description. You can then fix any errors in the settings with the help of the **Problems** view.



Create a new memory region by clicking the Add new memory region button in the view's header.

Enter/change the memory region's parameters by clicking the row's cells.

Modify the access policy of memory regions by clicking the cell in the **Access** column. This action opens the Access templates dialog.

Errors in configuration are highlighted by a red icon in the relevant cell. In the case the issue is easily fixed, you can right-click the cell to display a dropdown list of offered solutions.

Remove the memory region by selecting the table row and clicking the **Remove selected memory region(s)** button in the view's header.

5.2.1.1 Access templates

In the **Access templates** dialog, you can modify access templates for device domains. The dialog displays the device RDC domains, as well as all user-created XRDC2 domains.

NOTE

Make sure to first specify the number of domains in the M4 Domain/M7 Domain > Domains.



Select access template by clicking the topmost cell of domain column to open a dropdown list containing all options.

Once you have selected access templates for all domains, click OK to return to the User Memory Regions view.

5.2.2 Security Access Configuration view

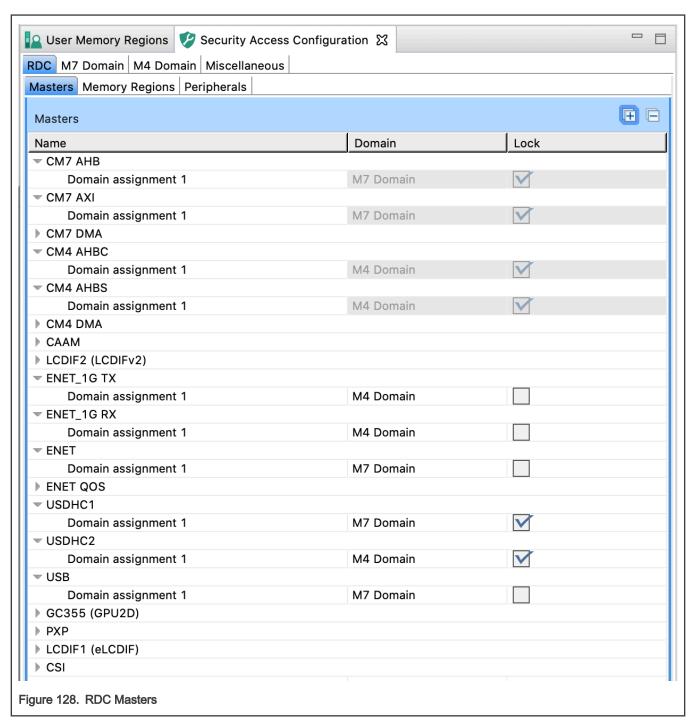
In the **Security Access Configuration** view, you can configure your application's security policies in a number of ways. See the following sections for more details.

5.2.2.1 RDC

In the RDC subview, you can assign masters to domains and specify access rules for slaves for each domain.

5.2.2.1.1 RDC Masters

In the RDC Masters subview, you can view available bus masters, allocate them to available domains (cores), and lock/unlock the allocation.



Allocate a master to a domain by clicking the cell in the **Domain** column in the **Masters** table and selecting the domain from the dropdown list.

Select the **Lock** checkbox to prevent further register modifications.

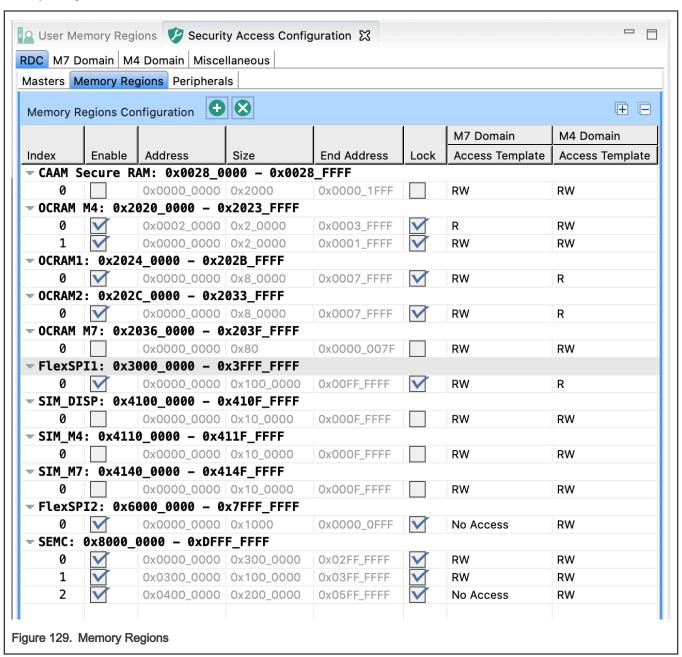
Alternatively, you can select the options by right-clicking the master and using the dropdown list.

NOTE
Some masters are allocated to specific domains by default and cannot be reallocated.

5.2.2.1.2 Memory Regions

In the **Memory Regions** subview, you can view, enable/disable, and configure the MRC (Memory Region Controller) bus slaves and their domain access.

Memory Region Controller implements the access controls for slave memories based on the pre-programmed Memory Region Descriptor registers.



Use the **Memory Regions Configuration** table to enable and configure MRC slaves:

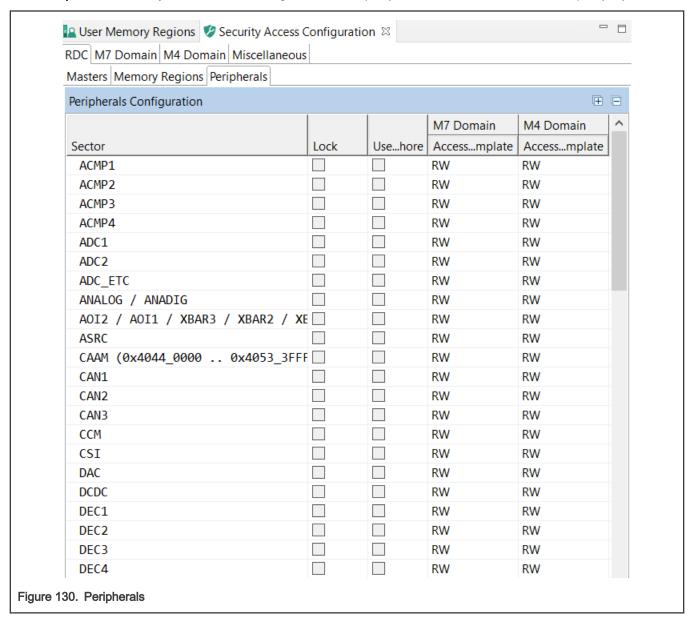
- Enable the region.
- 2. Specify the Address.
- 3. Specify either the Size or the End Address.
- 4. Optional: **Lock** the settings to prevent further register modifications.

5. Set the Access Template for available domains.

Alternatively, you can select the options by right-clicking the master and using the dropdown list.

5.2.2.1.3 Peripherals

In the Peripherals subview, you can view and configure the PDAP (Peripheral Domain Access Permissions) for peripherals.



Use the **Peripherals Configuration** table to enable and configure PDAP:

- 1. Optional: Lock the settings to prevent further register entries.
- 2. Select **Use semaphore** to enable the semaphore function for the peripheral.

NOTE

When enabled, the master cannot access this peripheral until obtaining a semaphore. During the time that the domain has the semaphore in possession, its bus masters have exclusive access to the peripheral.

3. Set the Access Template for available domains.

5.2.2.2 XRDC2 Domains view

In the **M7/M4 Domain** subviews, you can view and configure security policies of the XRDC2(eXtended Resource Domain Controller 2) domains. Each CPU can contain up to 16 domains.

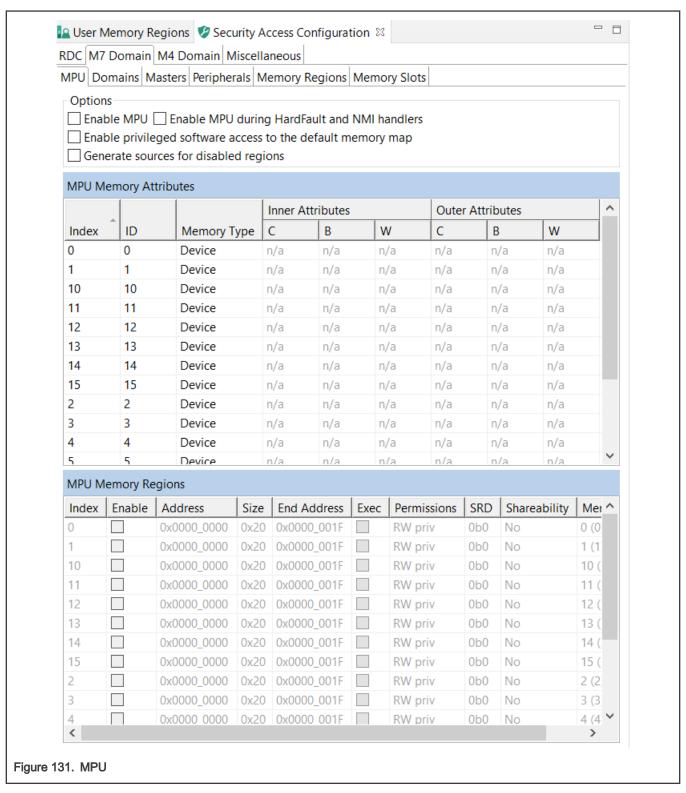
5.2.2.2.1 MPU

In the **MPU** subview, you can enable and configure MPU (Memory Protection Unit). You can create regions, specify their address, size, and other parameters.

The MPU enforces privilege rules, separates processes, and enforces access rules to memory, and supports the standard ARMv7 Protected Memory System Architecture model.

MPU is disabled by default and must be enabled by selecting the **Enable MPU** option.

NOTE
Not every device supports MPU.



Use the **MPU Memory Attributes** table to name and configure MPU memory attribute sets. Click the cells of the **Memory Type** and **Inner/Outer Attributes** columns to display the available options.

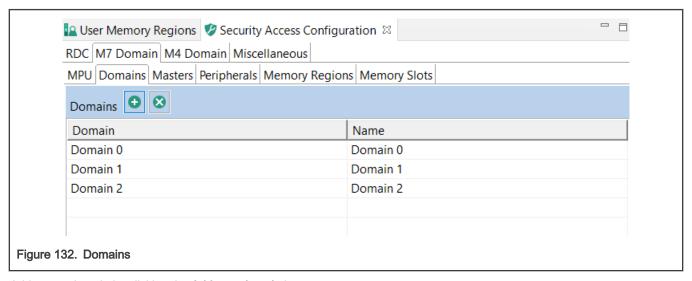
Use the MPU Memory Regions table to enable and configure MPU memory regions.

- 1. Enable the region.
- 2. Specify the Address.

- 3. Specify either the Size or the End Address.
- 4. Set the **Exec** option if you want the region to be able to run code.
- 5. Set the Permissions.
- 6. Set the SRD (Sub Region Disable) bits.
- 7. Set the Shareability, or the caching options.

5.2.2.2. Domains

In the **Domains** subview, you can view, add/remove, and rename XRDC2 domains. Each CPU supports up to 16 XRDC2 domains.



Add a new domain by clicking the **Add new domain** button.

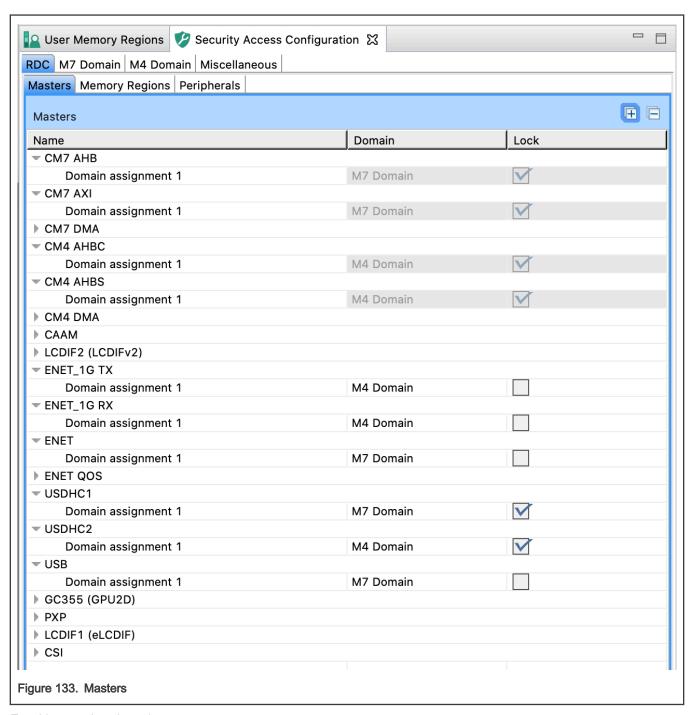
Rename the domain by entering a new name in the Name column.

Remove a domain by clicking the **Remove last domain** button.

5.2.2.2.3 Masters

In the Masters subview, you can add/remove, view, configure XRDC2 domain assignments to available RDC masters.

Master Domain Assignment Controller (MDAC) is responsible for the generation of the DID, nonsecure and privileged attributes for every system bus transaction in the device based on pre-programmed Master Domain Assignment (MDA) registers.



To add a new domain assignment:

- 1. Click the Add new domain assignment for the selected master button.
- 2. Select the Enable checkbox.
- 3. Enter the Match Input value.

NOTE

The match field specifies the reference value for the comparison with the MDAC match input. The match field width varies by MDAC instance from 0 to 16 bits. Unimplemented bits are read as 0. A size of 0 bits generates a hit on all comparisons.

4. Enter the Mask Input value.

NOTE

The mask field specifies which bits are valid for the match comparison. Only bit positions in which the mask value is zero are compared. The mask field width is the same as the mask field which varies by MDAC instance from 0 to 16 bits. A mask value of all ones generates a hit on all comparisons.

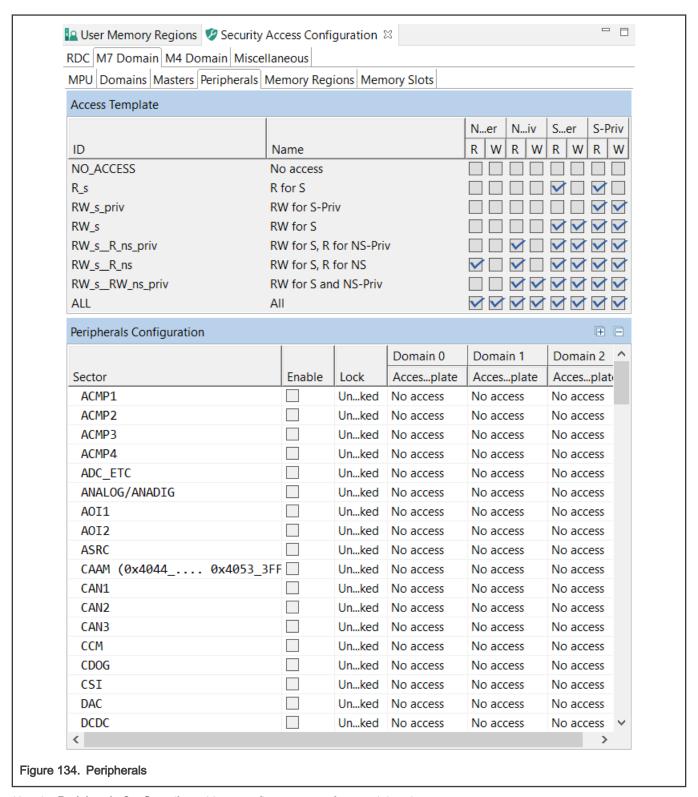
- 5. Select the XRDC2 domain assignment from the dropdown list in the **Domain** column.
- 6. Select the security access type from the dropdown list in the Secure column.
- 7. Select the privileged access type from the dropdown list in the **Privileged** column.
- 8. Optional: select the **Lock** checkbox to prevent further register modifications.

5.2.2.2.4 Peripherals

In the **Peripherals** subview, you can view the access templates for PAC (Peripheral Access Controller) and configure access for all peripherals managed by PAC on the selected RDC domain.

The Peripheral Access Controller submodule performs access control for a set of peripherals connected to a peripheral bus bridge or integrated into a peripheral subsystem.

The **Access Template** table displays the ID and name of all access templates available for the PAC on the selected device. The information is data driven and display-only.



Use the **Peripherals Configuration** table to configure access for a peripheral:

- 1. Select the Enable checkbox.
- 2. Set the Lock to the desired state.
- 3. Set the Access Template for all listed domains.

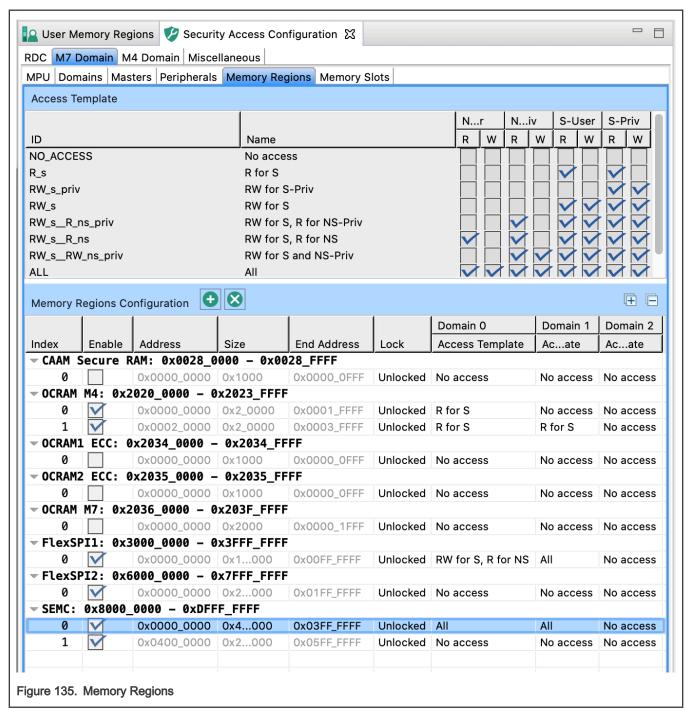
Alternatively, you can select the options by right-clicking the master and using the dropdown list.

5.2.2.2.5 Memory Regions

In the **Memory Regions** subview, you can view the access templates for MRC (Memory Region Controller) and configure access for all non-peripheral memory spaces managed by MRC on the selected RDC domain.

The Memory Region Controller (MRC) provides domain-based, hardware access control for all system bus references targeted at non-peripheral memory spaces.

The **Access Template** table displays the ID and name of all access templates available for the MRC on the selected device. The information is data driven and display-only.



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Use the Memory Regions Configuration table to configure access for a non-peripheral memory space:

- 1. Select the Enable checkbox.
- 2. Specify the Start Address.
- 3. Specify either Size or End Address.
- 4. Set the Lock to the desired state.
- 5. Set the Access Template for all listed domains.

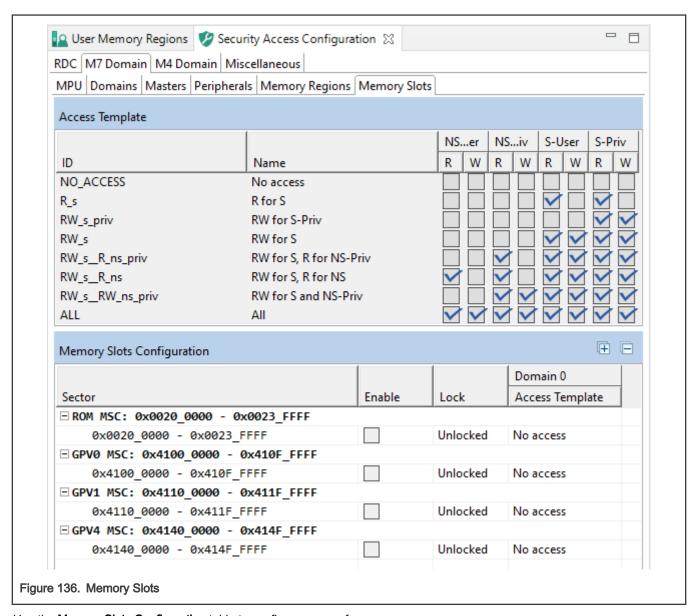
Alternatively, you can select the options by right-clicking the master and using the dropdown list.

5.2.2.2.6 Memory Slots

In the **Memory Slots** subview, you can view the access templates for MSC (Memory Slot Controller) and configure access for all memory spaces managed by MSC on the selected RDC domain.

The Memory Slot Controller (MSC) performs access control for a peripheral or memory space with a fixed address range.

The **Access Template** table displays the ID and name of all access templates available for the MSC on the selected device. The information is data driven and display-only.



Use the Memory Slots Configuration table to configure access for a memory space:

- 1. Select the Enable checkbox.
- 2. Set the Lock to the desired state.
- 3. Set the Access Template for all listed domains.

Alternatively, you can select the options by right-clicking the master and using the dropdown list.

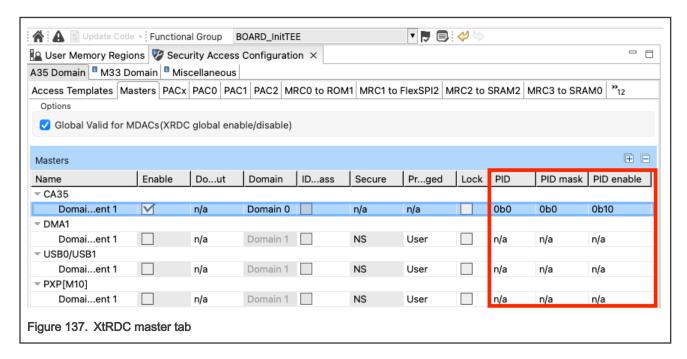
5.2.2.3 XRDC (eXtended Trusted Resource Domain Controller) on Cortex-A35 in i.MX8 ULP

5.2.2.3.1 Masters

XRDC masters are similar to TRDC masters. In addition, the following features are supported:

- PID (Process Identifier) is combined with the PIDM field to determine the domain hit.
- PIDM (PID Mask) provides a masking capability so that multiple process identifiers can be included as part of the domain hit determination. If a bit in the PIDM is set, the corresponding bit of the PID is ignored in the comparison.

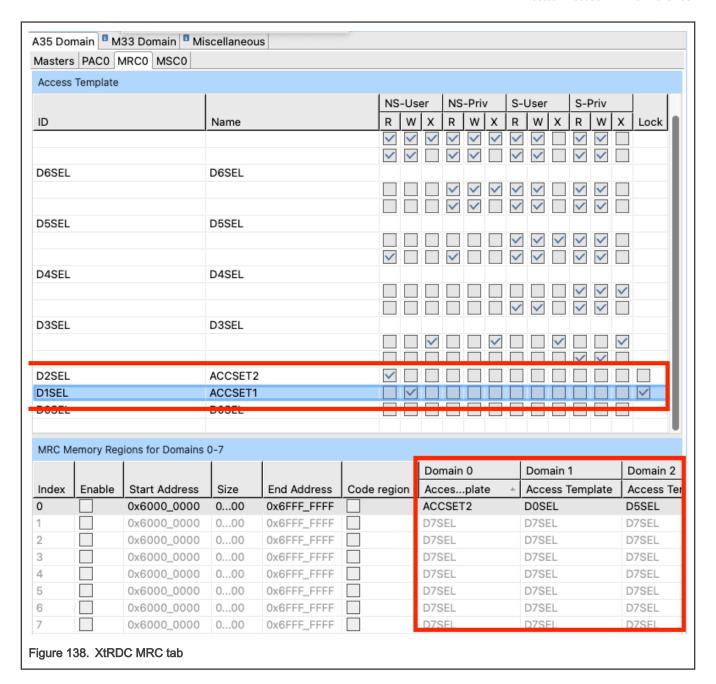
• **PID enable** provides the ability to include inclusive or exclusive sets of masked PID values. Allowed values are 00b, 01b, 10b, and 11b. For more info, see the Reference Manual (link to be provided).



5.2.2.3.2 MRC

MRC on XRDC is similar to MRC on TRDC. There are several minor differences:

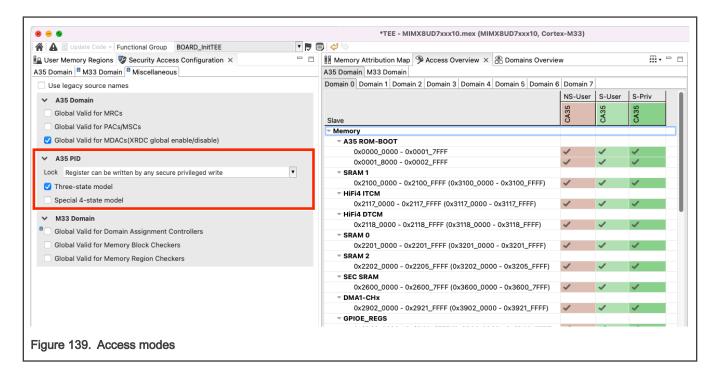
- 1. There is only one instance of the memory regions table because address ranges are shared across all domains. For each memory region, the user can specify an access template for each domain.
- 2. The code region specifies which templates would be used (0= data, 1 = code). The templates are now hybrid. It means that there are two templates for the same ID and name the first row is for the data region and the second row is for the code region. These templates, which have the lock field, can be edited by clicking the desired access box.



5.2.2.3.3 Access control modes

There are two modes that can be enabled for PID.

For processors only supporting TSM, the Three-State Model (SecurePriv, SecureUser, NonsecureUser), the nonsecure[n] output signal from the MDAC submodule is forced to zero while in privileged mode to enable precise state transitions between the user and privileged modes. When SP4SM, the Special 4-State Model, is enabled, the MDAC does not use the MDA[DIDS,DID] fields. The MDAC tracks the current access level and generates specific domainIDs for specific access levels.



5.2.2.4 Trusted Resource Domain Controller on Cortex-M33 in i.MX8 ULP and KW45 (TRDC)

5.2.2.4.1 MPU

This MPU is identical to other MPUs for CM33, Arm-Archv8-M (for example, LPC55S) with Secure/Non-Secure register banks.

5.2.2.4.2 Domains

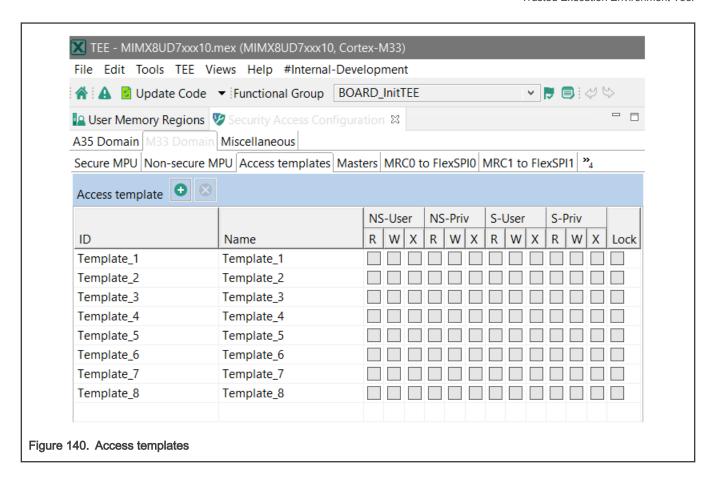
The domains are similar to RDC/XRDC2/XRDC: assignment of chip resources to processing "domains", where a unique domain identifier (domainID, DID) is assigned to each processing domain. The number of supported DIDs is typically the number of CPUs plus one.

5.2.2.4.3 Masters

Masters are similar to Masters in XRDC2 on MIMXRT117x. The user can also choose the domain ID input or ID bypass depending on the master type.

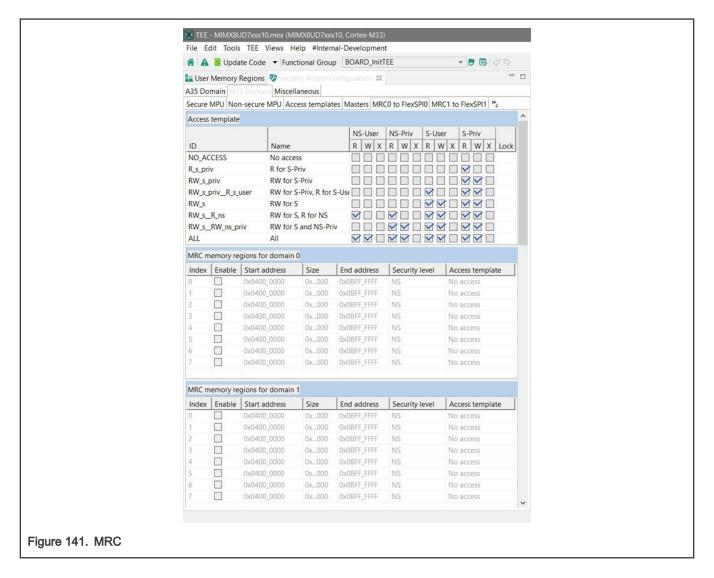
5.2.2.4.4 Access templates

Access templates are similar to patterns in XRDC2 on MIXRT117x. The main difference is as follows: you can switch between "global" (for the entire RDC, used by all checkers, and editable) and "local" (specific to the checker and immutable) templates; meanwhile access templates in XRDC2 are always validator-dependent and editable.



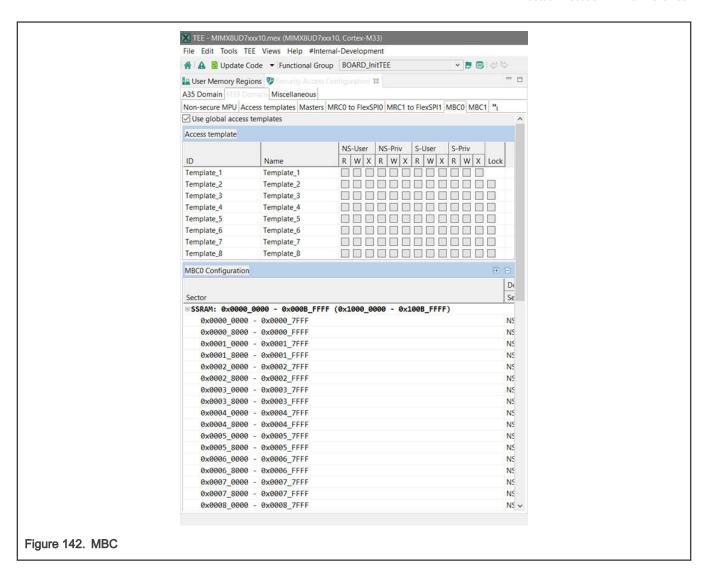
5.2.2.4.5 MRC

MRC on TRDC is similar to to MRC (Memory Regions) in XRDC2.



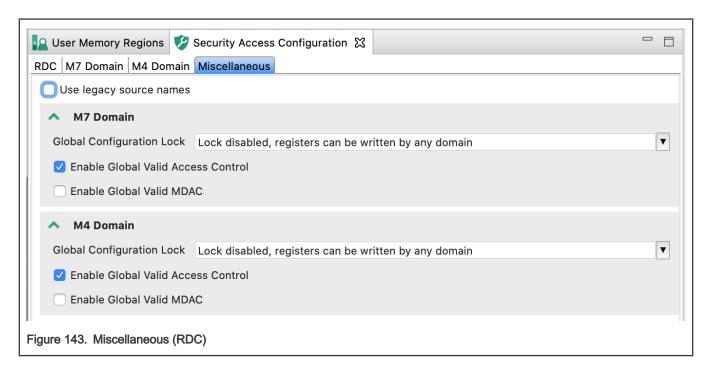
5.2.2.4.6 MBC

MBC in TRDC is similar to MSC (Memory Slots) in XRDC2 and MSC in XRDC.



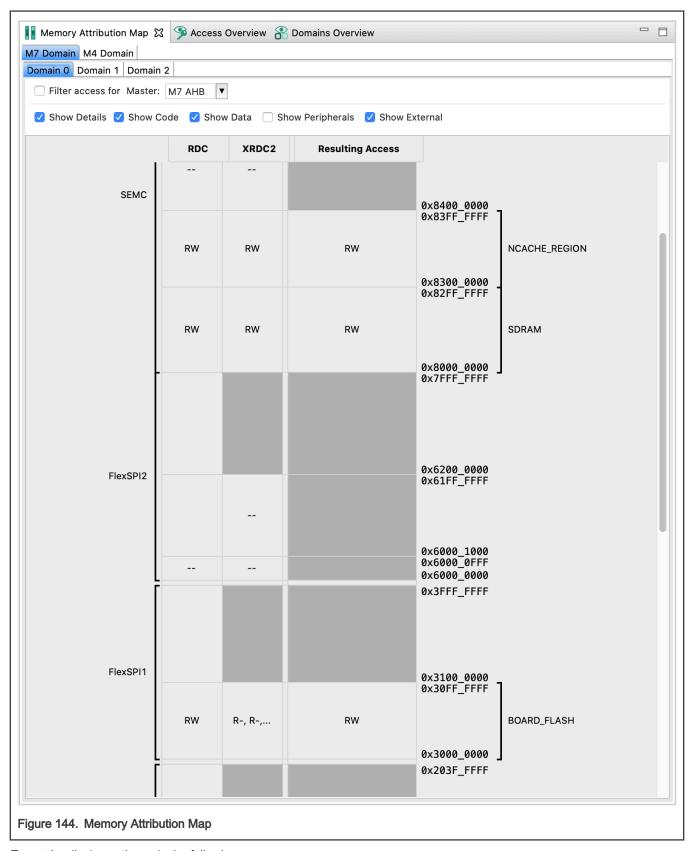
5.2.2.5 Miscellaneous

In the **Miscellaneous** subview, you can set various configuration options. The list of these options depends on processor data, and varies greatly. All the options influence your register settings, and can be inspected in the **Register** view. Only some of the options directly influence configuration that you have made in the **Security Access Configuration** view. Point your cursor over individual options to display a tooltip explaining the function of each option.



5.2.3 Memory Attribution Map

In the **Memory Attribution Map** view, you can review access levels set for all masters to the code, data, and peripherals memory regions on a domain level. The table is read-only.



To set the display options, do the following:

1. Click the Filter access for checkbox to enable filtering options.

- 2. Select the master that you want to review by choosing from the **Master** dropdown menu.
- 3. Optionally, set the security level of the selected master by choosing from the **Security mode** dropdown menu. This setting has no effect on the configuration.
- 4. Optionally, customize the output by de-selecting the **Show Details**, **Show Code**, **Show Data**, **Show Peripherals**, and **Show External** options.
- 5. Optionally, filter displayed memory regions in the **Filter** area.

Point your cursor over the cells to display a tooltip with information about the security level combination.

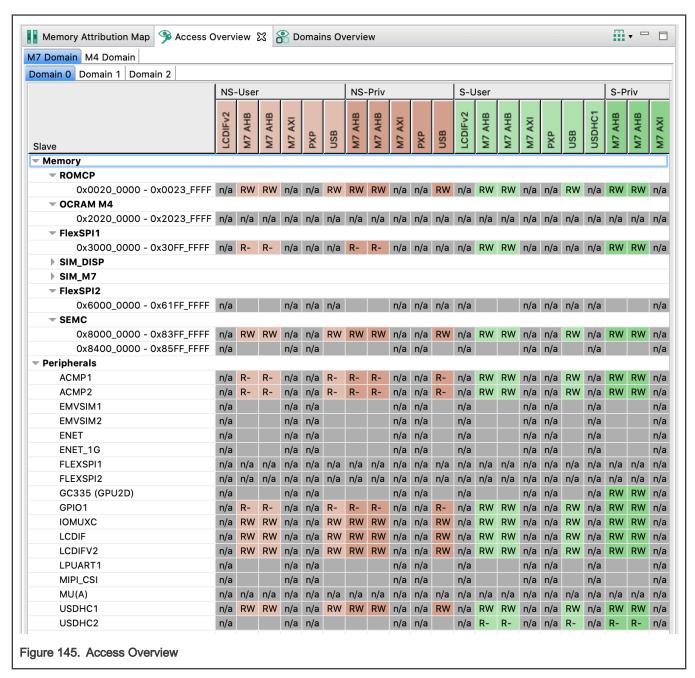
Double-click the cell to open the pertinent settings in Security Access Configuration.

5.2.4 Access Overview

In **Access Overview**, you can review security policies you have set in **Security Access Configuration** view. The view is divided into subviews displaying access overview for specific XRDC2 domains.

The vertical axis displays all masters, divided into color-coded groups by their security settings.

The horizontal axis displays memory ranges and slave buses/peripherals.



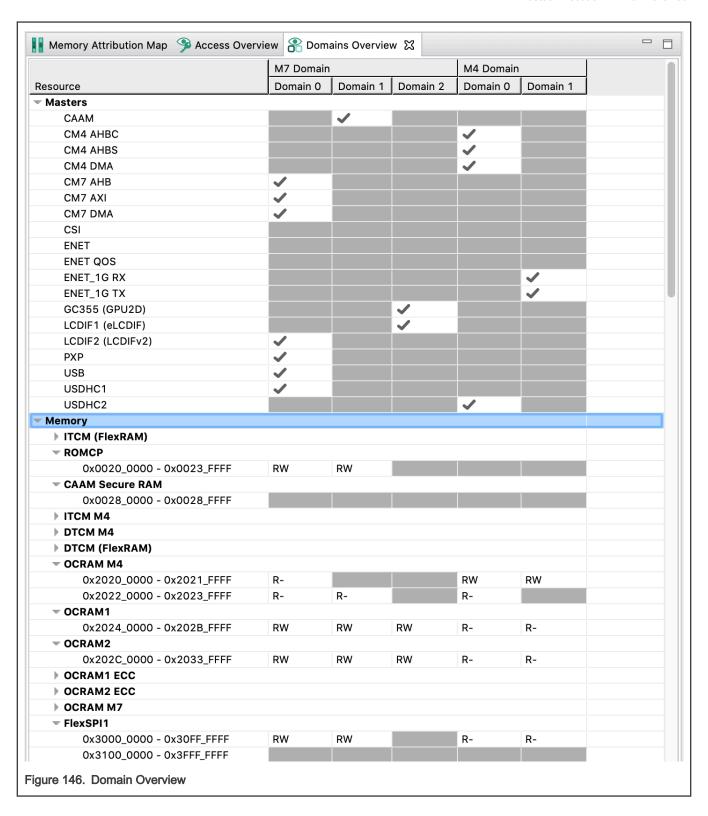
Point your cursor at an entry to display a tooltip with information about the entry.

You can group the displayed information by security or by masters by using the button on the right-hand side of the toolbar.

5.2.5 Domains Overview

In **Domains Overview**, you can review access policies of XRDC2 domains you have configured in the subviews of the **Domain** view.

Point your cursor over the cells to display a tooltip with information about the security level combination.



5.2.6 Code generation

If the settings are correct and no error is reported, the code generation engine instantly regenerates the source code. You can view the resulting code the **Code Preview** view of the **Trusted Execution Environment** tool.

Trusted Execution Environment Tool

Code Preview automatically highlights differences between the current and immediately preceding iteration of the code. You can choose between two modes of highlighting by clicking the **Set viewing style for source differences**. You can also disable highlighting altogether from the same dropdown menu.

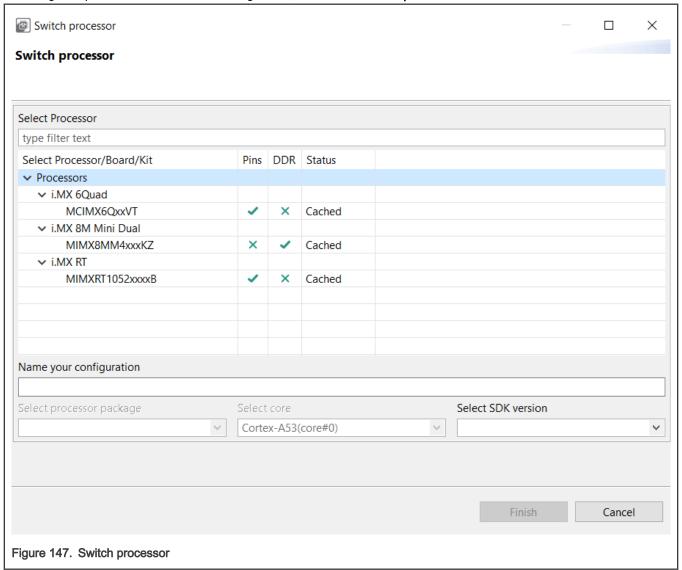
Some AHB with security extension-enabled devices support ROM preset as well as C code. You can choose to have the code generated in the ROM preset by selecting the option in the **Miscellaneous** subview.

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6.1 Switching the processor

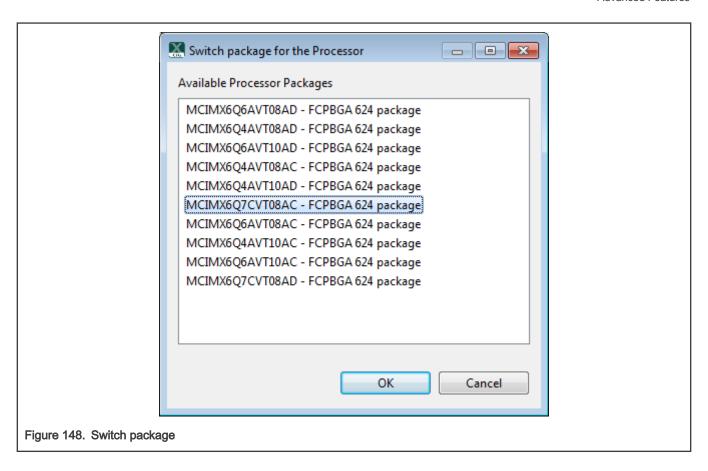
You can switch the processor or the package of the current configuration to a different one. However, switching to a completely different processor may lead to various issues, such as inaccessible pin routing or unsatisfiable clock-output frequency. In that case, it's necessary to fix the problem manually. For example, go to the **Routing Details** view and reconfigure all pins which report an error or conflict. Alternatively, you may need to change the required frequencies on clock output.

To change the processor in the selected configuration, select File > Switch processor from the Menu bar.



To change the package of the currently selected processor, select File > Switch processor from the Menu bar.

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6.2 Exporting the Pins table

To export the Pins table, do the following:

- In the Menu bar, select File > Export.
- 2. In the Export wizard, select Export the Pins in CSV (Comma Separated Values) Format.
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the folder and specify the filename to which you want to export.
- 5. The exported file contains content of the Pins view table, and lists the functions and the selected routed pins.

```
Pin; Pin name; GPIO; FTM; ADC; UART; SPI; I2S; LLWU; I2C; CMP; SUPPLY; LPUART; USB; SIM; JTAG; RTC; EWM; Other; Routing for BOARD InitPins
A1;PTEO/CLKOUT32K;PTEO/CLKOUT32K(GPIOE,GPIO,O);;ADC1_SE4a(ADC1,SEa,4);UART1_TX(UART1,TX);SPI1_PCS1(SPI1,PCS1);;;12C1_SDA(12C1,SDA);;;;PTEO
B1;PTE1/LLWU_F0;PTE1/LLWU_F0(GP10E,GP10,1);;ADC1_SE5a(ADC1,Sea,5);UART1_RX(UART1,RX);SP11_SOUT(SP11,SOUT)/SP11_SIN(SP11,SIN);;PTE1/LLWU_F0(
C1;PTD5;PTD5(GPIOD,GPIO,5);FTM0_CH5(FTM0,CH,5);ADC0_SE6b(ADC0,SEb,6);UART0_CTS_b(UART0,CTS);SPI0_PCS2(SPI0,PCS2)/SPI1_SCK(SPI1,SCK);;;;;;;
D1;USB0_DM;;;;;;;;;;USB0_DM(USB0,DM);;;;;;
E1;USB0_DP;;;;;;;;;;;USB0_DP(USB0,DP);;;;;;
H1;VREF_OUT/CMP1_IN5/CMP0_IN5/ADC1_SE18;;;VREF_OUT/CMP1_IN5/CMP0_IN5/ADC1_SE18(ADC1,SE,18);;;;;VREF_OUT/CMP1_IN5/CMP0_IN5/ADC1_SE18(CMP1,I
A2;PTD7/UARTO_TX/FTMO_CH7/FTMO_FLT1/SP11_SIN;PTD7(GPIOD,GPIO,7);FTMO_CH7(FTMO,CH,7)/FTMO_FLT1(FTMO,FLT,1);;UARTO_TX(UARTO,TX);SP11_SIN(SP11_B2;ADCO_SE7b/PTD6/LLWU_P15(GPIOD,GPIO,6);FTMO_CH6(FTMO,FLT0),FTMO_FLT0(FTMO,F
C2;PTD2/LLWU_P13/SP10_SOUT/UART2_RX/LPUART0_RX/12C0_SCL;PTD2/LLWU_P13/GP10D,GP10,2);;;uart2_RX(Uart2,RX);SPT0_SOUT(SP10,SOUT);;PTD2/LLWU_P1
D2; VREGIN;;;;;;;;;;;VREGIN(USB0, VREGIN);;;;;
E2; VOUT33;;;;;;;;;;; VOUT33 (USB0, VOUT33);;;;;;
B3;PTD3/SPIO_SIN/UART2_TX/LPUART0_TX/12C0_SDa;PTD3(GPIOD,GPIO,3);;;UART2_TX(UART2,TX);SPIO_SIN(SPIO,SIN);;;12C0_SDa(12C0,SDa);;;LPUART0_TX(
C3; PTDO/LLWU_P12; PTDO/LLWU_P12 (GPTOD, GPTO, O);;; UART2_RTS_b (UART2, RTS); SPTO_PCSO (SPTO, PCSO/SS);; PTDO/LLWU_P12 (LLWU, WAKEUP, P12);;;; LPUARTO_RT D3; PTAO/UARTO_CTS_b/FTMO_CH5/JTAG_TCLK/SWD_CLK/EZP_CLK; PTAO (GPTOA, GPTOA, O); FTMO_CH5 (FTMO, CH, 5);; UARTO_CTS_b (UARTO, CTS);;;;;;; JTAG_TCLK (JT
Figure 149. Exported file content
```

The exported content can be used in other tools for further processing. For example, see it after aligning to blocks in the image below.

```
| PRINCE | P
```

6.3 Tools advanced configuration

Use the tools.ini file to configure the processor data directory location. You can define the "com.nxp.mcudata.dir" property to set the data directory location.

For example: -Dcom.nxp.mcudata.dir=C:/my/data/directory.

6.4 Generating HTML reports

You can generate an HTML report file displaying your configuration of Pins, Clocks, and Peripheral tool for future reference.

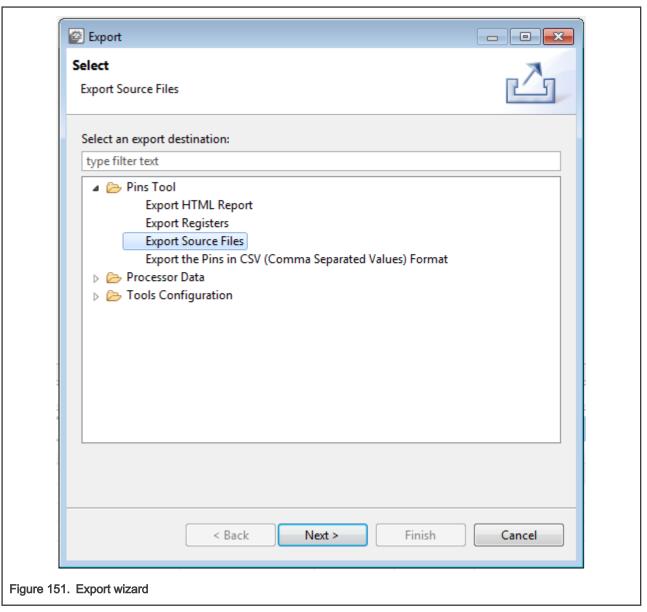
To generate the HTML report, select Export > Pins > Export HTML Report.

6.5 Exporting sources

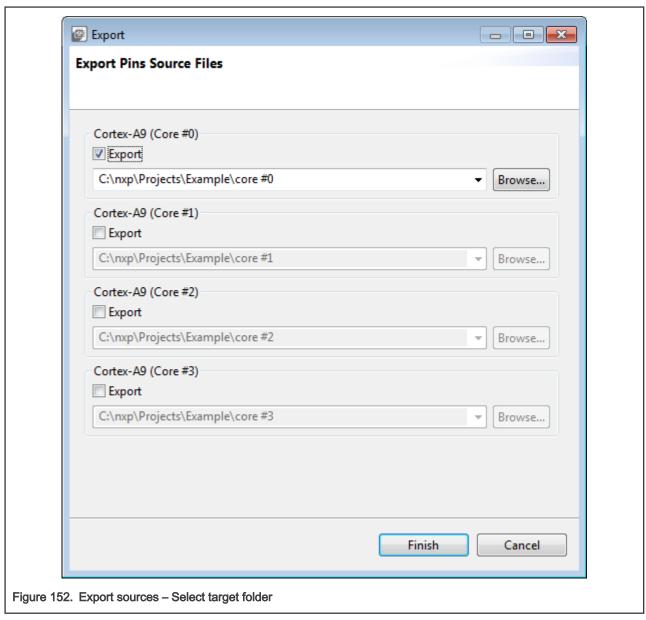
It's possible to export the generated source using the Export wizard.

To launch the Export wizard:

- 1. Select **File > Export** from the **Menu bar**.
- 2. Select Export Source Files.



- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the target folder where you want to store the generated files.



- 5. In case of multicore processors, select the cores you want to export.
- 6. Click Finish.

6.6 Exporting registers

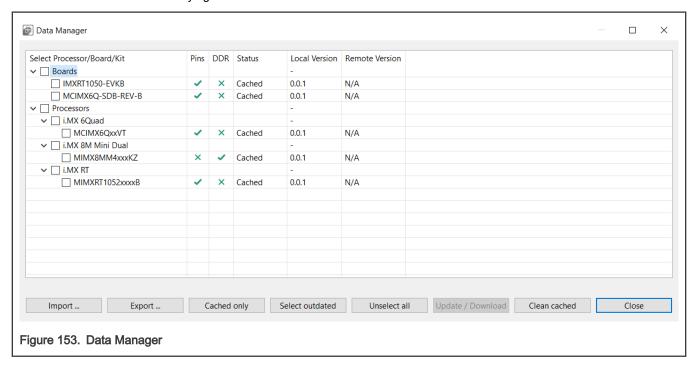
You can export the content of tool-modified registers data using the Export wizard.

To export registers, follow these steps:

- 1. Select **File > Export** from the main menu.
- 2. Select the **Pins Tool > Export Registers** option.
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the target file path where you want to export modified registers content.
- 5. Click Finish.

6.7 Managing data and working offline

With the **Data Manager**, you can download, import, and export processor data. This feature is especially useful if you want to make the best out of the tools while staying offline.



6.7.1 Working offline

You can create a new configuration even without access to the Internet by working with cached processor data. To do so you must download processor-specific data before going offline, or import data downloaded and exported from an online computer.

To work offline, select Edit > Preferences > Work offline from the Menu bar.

6.7.2 Downloading data

You can download required processor data with Data Manager.

NOTE

By default, the data is downloaded and cached automatically during the Creating a new standalone configuration for processor, board, or kit process.

To download processor data, do the following:

NOTE
Internet connection is required for data download.

- In Menu bar, select File >Data Manager.
- 2. In Data Manager, select the processor/board/kit you want to work with from the list.
- 3. Click Update / Download and confirm.

The data is now downloaded on your local computer, as shown by the Cached status in Data Manager.

You can now close your Internet connection and work with the data by selecting **File > New...>Create new standalone configuration for processor, board, or kit** in the **Start development** wizard.

6.7.3 Exporting data

With Data Manager, you can export downloaded processor data in a ZIP format.

To export data, do the following:

- 1. In Menu bar, select File >Data Manager.
- 2. In Data Manager, click Export.
- 3. In Export Processor Data window, select the processor data you want to export.
- 4. Click Browse to specify the location and name of the resulting ZIP file.
- 5. Click Finish,

Data is now saved on your local computer in a ZIP format. You can physically (for example, with a USB stick) move it to an offline computer.

NOTE

You can also export downloaded data by selecting File > Export > Processor Data > Export Processor Data from the Menu bar.

6.7.4 Importing data

You can import processor data from another computer with **Data Manager**, provided this data is available locally.

To import data, do the following:

- 1. In Menu bar, select File > Data Manager.
- 2. In Data Manager, select Import.
- 3. In Import Processor Data dialog, click Browse.
- 4. Specify the location of the ZIP file that you want to import and click OK.
- 5. Choose the data to import by selecting the checkbox in the table.
- 6. Click Finish.

The data is now imported to your offline computer, as shown by the **Cached** status in **Data Manager**. You can now work with the data by selecting **New...>Create new standalone configuration for processor, board, or kit** in the **Start development** wizard.

NOTE
You can also import data by selecting File>Import>Import Processor Data from the Menu bar.

6.7.5 Updating data

You can keep cached data up to date with the Data Manager.

NOTE

If you select the relevant option in Edit>Preferences in the Menu bar, data will be updated automatically or after a prompt.

NOTE

Internet connection is required for data update.

To update cached data, do the following:

- 1. In Menu bar, select File > Data Manager.
- 2. In Data Manager, filter outdated data by clicking Select outdated.

3. Click Update / Download and confirm.

You can always check versions of your data by clicking **Cached only** and comparing version information in the **Local Version** and **Remote Version** columns.

You can clean all cached data by selecting **Clean cached**. It removes all processor, board, kit, and component data, as well as SDK info files from your computer.

NOTEThis action does not affect user templates.

6.8 Output path overrides

This section contains rules that override the path, including the name, of the output files generated by the tools. The rules are applied in the Update Code, Export Wizard, and Command-Line Export commands. The rules are stored in the MEX configuration.

NOTE

An invalid path is logged as a warning and the original non-overridden path is used.

Rules can be edited in the Output Path Override dialog box in the configuration settings. The new rule is added to the end of the list, the removal is performed for the selected element. The rules are applied to the path in a defined order, which can be changed. The rule contains:

- Enabled defines whether the rule will be used by the applied path or skipped.
- · Description used as a user-friendly description of the rule
- Regular expression matches the overriding parts in the whole output path. The format is taken from the Java regular expression.
- Replacement expression used as a replacement of all matches in the path. Substring groups can be referenced by using
 placeholder \$1, \$2 and so on.

The output path override rules can be exported using the wizard to a yaml file. The structure of the yaml file is similar to that of the dialog box.

Example content of the output path override yaml file:

```
outputPathOverrides:
  -description: Rule group.h
enabled:true
regex:(bo)ar(d)(/.*\.h)
replacement: $2ar$1$3
  -description:Rule2
...
```

The second way to set the rules is to replace them by overriding the output path from the yaml file using wizards or the command line. Rules are used only if all rules are valid. An empty list deletes the current rules. An empty list in the output path overrides the yaml file.

```
outputPathOverrides: [
]
```

6.9 Import pins configuration from legacy tools project

The Pins tool from **Config Tools for i.MX** helps in importing pins configuration from the existing legacy tools projects with the following prerequisites.

• Before importing any pins configuration from the legacy tools project, download the required i.MX processor pins tool data to a local directory.

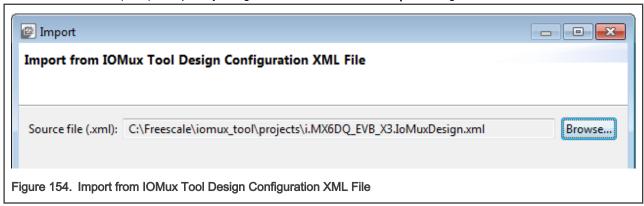
• Before importing, create a new configuration for the respective i.MX processor of the given package variant, to minimize the need of manual correction of the imported pins configuration.

6.9.1 Importing from an IO Mux Tool design configuration file

You can import an existing pin configuration from an IO Mux Tool Design Configuration project file (XML) that was used to keep pin routing configuration within a legacy IO Mux Tool. The import wizard is used to import pin routing configuration from existing project XML file compatible with IO Mux Tool version v3.4.0.3.

To import from an IO Mux Tool design configuration file, do the following:

- 1. Select File > Import from the Main Menu.
- 2. Select the Import Legacy IOMux Tool Design Configuration (XML) Format option.
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the source file (XML) to import by using the Browse button in the Import dialog.



5. Click Finish.

The selected source file is processed and the existing pin configuration for peripheral routing is imported for each peripheral to the Pins tool. A new function is created for each peripheral instance with all configured pins using the function name "configure_speripheral name>_pins" and added into the **Routed Pins** view.

6.9.2 Importing from a Processor Expert project

You can import the existing pin configuration from a Processor Expert (PEx) project file (PE). The PE file is the main project file for legacy i.MX pin mux component and is available within the Processor Expert for i.MX tool.

The Import wizard is used to import legacy i.MX pin configuration from the existing PEx project file.

To import from a Processor Expert project, do the following:

- 1. Select File > Import from the main menu.
- 2. Select the Import Legacy i.MX Pins Configuration (PEx for i.MX) Format option.
- 3. Click Next.
- 4. Select the source file (.pe) to import using the **Browse** button in the **Import Pins Configuration from Processor Expert**Project dialog.



5. Click Finish.

The selected source file is processed and the existing pin configuration for peripheral routing is imported for each peripheral to the Pins Tool. A new function is created for each peripheral instance with all configured pins using the function name "configure configure configure peripheral name pins" and is added into the routed pins.

6.10 Command line execution

This section describes the Command Line Interface (CLI) commands supported by the desktop application.

On error application exits:

- · Tools v4.1 and older:
 - with '123321' error code. The reason should be logged.
- · Tools v5.0 and newer:
 - 1 when parameter is missing
 - 2 when tool error occurs

You can chain commands in CLI.

Notes regarding command-line execution:

- Command -HeadlessTool is used as a separator of each command chain.
- · Each command chain works independently.
- Every chain starts with **-HeadlessTool** command and continues to the next **-HeadlessTool** command, or end. (only exception are commands from framework which does not need the **-HeadlessTool** command).
- Commands which don't need the **-HeadlessTool** command, can be placed before the first **-HeadlessTool** if chained, or without **-HeadlessTool** when not chained.
- · Commands from each tool are executed in given order.
- Commands from framework are not executed in given order.
- · The following commands are not executed in given order:
 - ImportProject
 - Export MEX
 - ExportAll
- The application can exit with following codes when unexpected behavior occurs: hen parameter is missing:
 - When parameter is missing: 1
 - When tool error occurs: 2

Command example:

-HeadlessTool Clocks -MCU MK64FX512xxx12 -SDKVersion ksdk2_0 -ExportSrc C:/exports/src -HeadlessTool Pins -MCU MK64FX512xxx12 -SDKVersion ksdk2_0 -ExportSrc C:/exports/src -HeadlessTool Peripherals -MCU MK64FX512xxx12 -SDKVersion ksdk2_0 -ExportSrc C:/exports/src

For performance reasons, when CLI is expected to be used multiple times with the same processor, the data is only loaded **if it is not already on disk**. If there is newer data on the server, it is **not updated**.

Long-running jobs share data, so they do not get updated in the middle of execution. To update local data that may have a newer version on the server, use the -updateData parameter.

Recommended usage:

- For manual one time usage, include the -updateData parameter on the CLI.
- For multiple executions, for example, continuous integration set-up you job:
 - Use the command with -updateData, which updates possibly outdated data.
 - Use all other commands in the package without this parameter:

copy /Y eclipsec.exe toolsc.exe

@rem updates all local data if newer exists

tools.exe -updateData -consoleLog -HeadlessTool Pins

@rem now runs tools many times

tools.exe -consoleLog -HeadlessTool Pins -Load some.mex -ExportAll c:/directory

tools.exe -consoleLog -HeadlessTool Pins -Load other.mex -ExportAll c:/other_directory

@rem and so on.

The following commands are supported in the framework:

Table 17. Commands supported in the framework

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
Version of the product	-version	Shows the build version of the product into the stdout and continues with parsing other parameters. (since 6.0)		-version
Force language	-nl {lang}	Forces set language {lang} is in ISO-639-1 standard	Removal of the '.nxp' folder from home directory is recommended, as some text might be cached Only 'zh' and 'en' are supported	-nl zh
Show console	-consoleLog	Logs output is also sent to Java's System.out (typically back to the command shell if any)	None	
Select MCU	-MCU	MCU to be selected by framework	Requires –SDKversion command	-MCU MCIMX6QxxVT

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Table 17. Commands supported in the framework (continued)

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
		Changes the processor in the result configuration of the previous chain		
Select Board	-Kit	Board to be selected by framework (MCU is automatically selected too) (since 6.0)	Requires –SDKversion command	-Board FRDM-K22F - SDKversion ksdk2_0
Select Kit	-SDKversion	Kit to be selected by framework (MCU and board is automatically selected too)(since 6.0)	Requires –SDKversion command	-Kit FRDM-K22F- AGM01 -SDKversion ksdk2_0
Select SDK version	-SDKversion	Version of the MCU to be selected by framework	Requires -MCU command	-SDKversion i_mx_1_0
Select part number	-PartNum	Selects specific package of the MCU	Requires -MCU and - SDKversion commands	-PartNum MCIMX6Q6AVT10AD
Configuration name	-ConfigName	Name of newly created configuration - used in export	Name is used when new configuration is created by -MCU and -SDKversion commands	-ConfigName "MyConfig"
Select tool	-HeadlessTool	Selects a tool that should be run in headless mode	None	-HeadlessTool Pins
Load configuration	-Load	Loads existing configuration from (*.mex) file	None	-Load C:/conf/conf.mex
Export Mex	-ExportMEX	Exports .mex configuration file after tools run Argument is expected as a folder name	None	-MCU xxx - SDKversion xxx - ExportMEX C:/exports/ my_config_folder
Export all generated files	-ExportAll	Exports generated files (with source code and so on. Code is regenerated before export Includes -ExportSrc and in framework -ExportMEX Argument is expected as a	Requires -HeadlessTool command	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportAll C:/exports/ generated
Create a new configuration by importing toolchain project	-ImportProject {path}	folder name Creates a new configuration by importing toolchain project	Requires -HeadlessTool command	-HeadlessTool Pins -ImportProject c:\test\myproject

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Table 17. Commands supported in the framework (continued)

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
		Parameter is path to the root of the toolchain project		
Generate source files with custom copyright	- CustomCopyri ght	File content is inserted as a copyright file header comment into generated source files (.c, .h, .dts, .dtsi), that doesn't conatin copyright	Requires -HeadlessTool command	-CustomCopyright c:\test\copyright.txt
Override the output path of the generated files	- OutputPathOv errides	Path to the file with rules, that will be used to override output paths of the generated file.Empty list of rules removes the setted rules.		-OutputPathOverrides c:\test\outputPathOverr ideRules.yaml
Update locally downloaded data	-updateData	Downloads data for already locally downloaded data if they have an update.		-updateData

6.10.1 Command Line execution - Pins Tool

This section describes the Command Line Interface (CLI) commands supported in the Pins Tool.

Table 18. Commands supported in Pins

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
Enable tool	-Enable	Enables the tool if it is disabled in the current configuration	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins - Enable
Import C files	-ImportC	Imports .c files into configuration Importing is done after loading mex and before generating outputs	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ImportC C:/imports/ file1.c C:/imports/file2.c
Import DTSI files	-ImportDTSI	Imports .dtsi files into configuration Importing is done after loading mex and before generating outputs	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins - ImportDTSI C:/imports/ file1.dtsi C:/imports/ file2.dtsi
Export all generated files	-ExportAll	Exports generated files (with source code etc.)	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportAll C:/exports/ generated

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Table 18. Commands supported in Pins (continued)

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
(to simplify all exports commands to one command)		Code will be regenerated before export Includes -ExportSrc,- ExportCSV, -ExportHTML and in framework - ExportMEX Argument is expected as a folder name		
Export Source files	-ExportSrc	Exports generated source files. The code will be regenerated before export Argument is expected as a folder name	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportSrc C:/ exports/src
Export CSV file	-ExportCSV	Exports generated csv file. The code will be regenerated before export Argument is expected as a folder name	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportSrc C:/ exports/src
Export HTML report file	-ExportHTML	Exports generated html report file. The code will be regenerated before export Argument is expected as a folder name	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportHTML C:/ exports/html
Export registers	- ExportRegiste rs	Exports registers tab into folder. The code will be regenerated before export Argument is expected as a folder name	Requires -HeadlessTool Pins	-HeadlessTool Pins -ExportRegisters C:/ exports/regs

6.10.2 Command Line execution - TEE Tool

This section describes the Command Line Interface (CLI) commands supported in the TEE Tool.

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Table 19. Commands supported in TEE Tool

Command name	Definition and parameters	Description	Restriction	Example
Enable tool	-Enable	Enables the tool if it is disabled in the current configuration	Requires - HeadlessTool TEE	-HeadlessTool TEE - Enable
Export all generated files	-ExportAll	Exports generated files (with source code etc.)	Requires - HeadlessTool TEE	-HeadlessTool TEE -ExportAll C:/exports/ generated
(to simplify all exports commands to one command)		The code will be regenerated before export		
		Includes -ExportSrc, - ExportHTML and in framework -ExportMEX		
		Argument is expected to be a folder		
Export Source files	-ExportSrc	Exports generated source files	Requires - HeadlessTool TEE	-HeadlessTool TEE -ExportSrc C:/ exports/src
		The code will be regenerated before export		
		Argument is expected to be a folder		

Chapter 7 Support

If you have any questions or need additional help, perform a search on the forum or post a new question. Visit community.nxp.com/community/imx.

Chapter 8 Revision history

Table 20. Revision history

Revision number	Date	Substantive changes
0	27 April 2020	Initial release
1	01 July 2021	Minor changes
2	22 December 2021	New features are added, screenshots are updated.
3	30 June 2022	Updated for v.12

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