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Asymmetric Multiprocessing with MicroBlaze, EdkDSP Accelerator and Toshiba Sensor Video Processing for low cost Zynq on TE0720-03-1CF SoM on TE0701-05 Carrier

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1. Summary

1.1 Key features

This application note describes HW platform performing integration of the runtime reprogrammable EdkDSP floating point accelerator with edge detection and motion detection video processing for Toshiba Full HD colour video sensor with fixed resolution (1920x1080p60) with low cost Zynq device.

- The Xilinx low cost Zynq device xa7z020-1c has two Arm Cortex A9 processors (operating at 666 MHz), memory controller with two levels of caches and also with high performance DDR3 memory access ports. It provides also the programmable logic area used for:
 - UTIA EdkDSP (8xSIMD) floating point processor (operating at 100 MHz) connected to Xilinx MicroBlaze 32bit processor (operating at 75 MHz).
 - Input chain of video processing IPs is connecting Full HD Toshiba video sensor to input video frame buffers. The input video DMA (VDMA) controller is operating at 150 MHz.
 - Area reserved for HLS HW accelerators and data movers defined in Xilinx SDSoC 2015.4 environment. These accelerators can be controlled from Arm Cortex A9 C programs compiled in SDK 2015.4 C projects. These HLS accelerators are operating at 120 MHz.
 - Chain of output video processing IPs is connecting output frame buffers to the Full HD display connected by HDMI cable. The output VDMA controller is operating at 150 MHz.
- UTIA EdkDSP is 8xSIMD floating point accelerator reprogrammable in runtime by change of firmware of build in PicoBlaze6 8bit controller. This is serving as a scheduler of vector operations performed in the EdkDSP is 8xSIMD floating point processor data paths. This scheduler is programmed by simple C programs compiled by simple C compiler and assembler, respecting the minimal resources of the PicoBlaze6 controller.
- UTIA EdkDSP is 8xSIMD floating point accelerator is controlled by the 32bit MicroBlaze processor. The MicroBlaze processor is executing C programs from the DDR3 memory. It executes complex C algorithms. Algorithms can benefit from execution of selected operations effectively on the EdkDSP coprocessor connected to the MicroBlaze by local dual ported memories. MicroBlaze C programs can take benefit of overlap of data communication from DDR3 to the EdkDSP dual-ported memories with parallel computations in the EdkDSP accelerator.
- Platform includes also the video processing chain of IPs controlled by Arm Cortex A9 processor.
- Arm Cortex A9 processor of Xilinx Zynq is performing initialisation and synchronisation of the video processing chain. Program and the FPGA image is downloaded to the board from the Xilinx SDK 2015.4 via USB JTAG to the 1GB DDR3 located on the Zynq system on module. System can be also started directly from the SD card. Arm processor initiates the IP cores in the programmable logic (PL) part of the Zynq. It also initiates the Toshiba video sensor and the video output to the Full HD monitor with fixed 1920x1080p60 resolution and standard Full HD pixel clock 148.5 MHz.

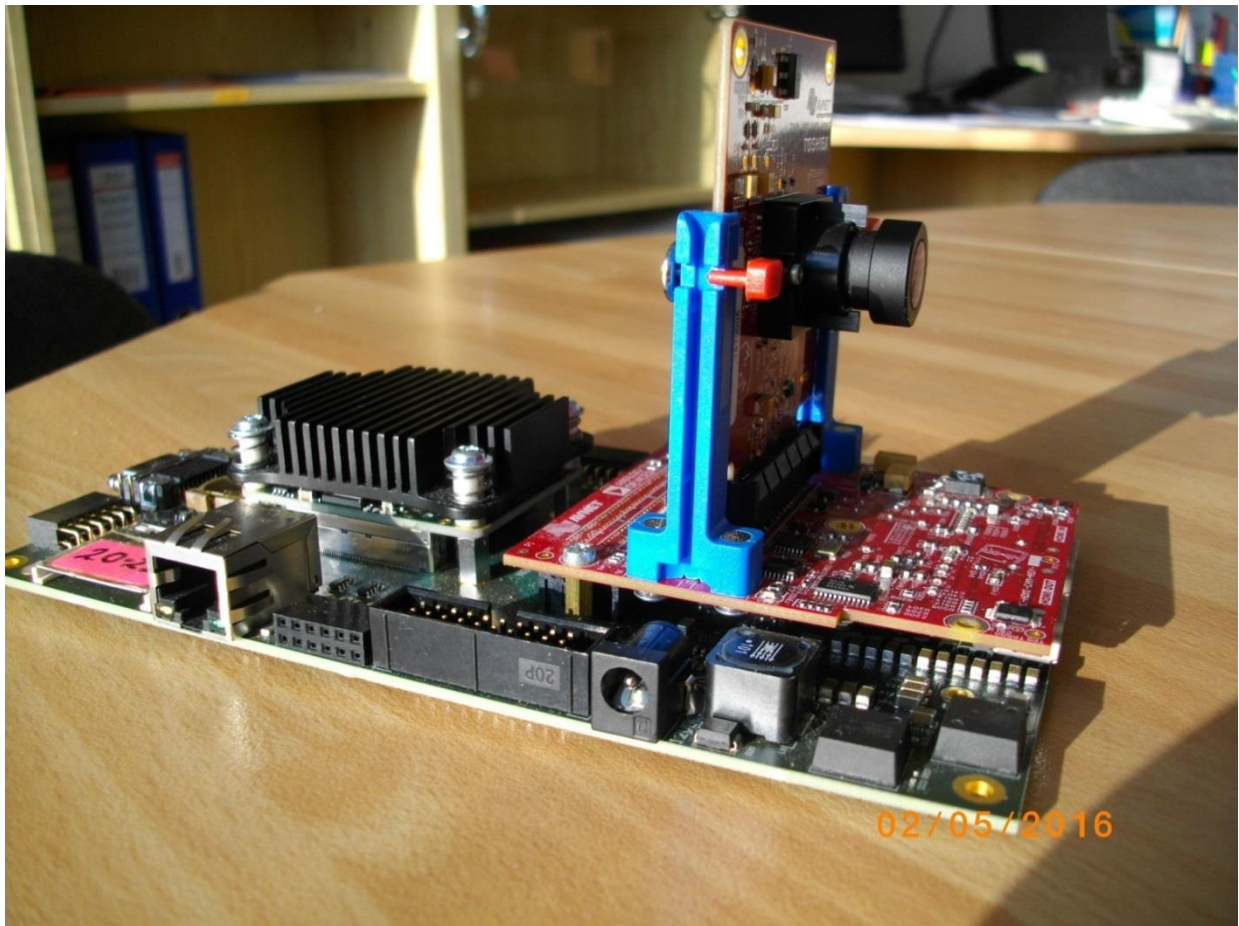


Figure 1: Toshiba Full HD evaluation platform HW.

Details of the Full HD video processing video chain:

- Raw video data are provided by the Toshiba video sensor.
- Data are processed into the YCrCb 16 bit per pixel format and stored by Video DMA (VDMA) to input video frame buffers (VFBs) defined in the DDR3.
- HW DMA controller(s) send data from/to the VFBs to the processing accelerators. Clock is 120 MHz.

Projects described in next section are summarising the energy per frame measured on the platform for Different accelerated image processing algorithms as defined by individual C projects in these main configurations:

1. MicroBlaze with EdkDSP coprocessor is computing Floating point FIR filter (in parallel to the dedicated video processing accelerator chain).
2. MicroBlaze with EdkDSP coprocessor is computing Floating point LMS adaptive filter (in parallel to the dedicated video processing accelerator chain).
3. MicroBlaze is computing in SW (only with its Floating point unit) FIR or LMS filter (in parallel to the dedicated video processing accelerator chain) but EdkDSP accelerator s not used.
4. MicroBlaze and EdkDSP is not present in the PL logic and only the dedicated video processing accelerator chain is processing the Full HD video from the Toshiba sensor.

SW figures indicate the energy/pixel consumed by the complete system in case of computation in Arm. C/C++ code was compiled with -O3 optimisation (but without NEON) in the SDSoC 2015.4 environment. No HLS accelerators present.

The evaluation designs with HLS accelerators have been created from these C/C++ functions in SDSoC 2015.4.

1.2 Project sh01: EdkDSP accelerator with edge detection in single HLS accelerator

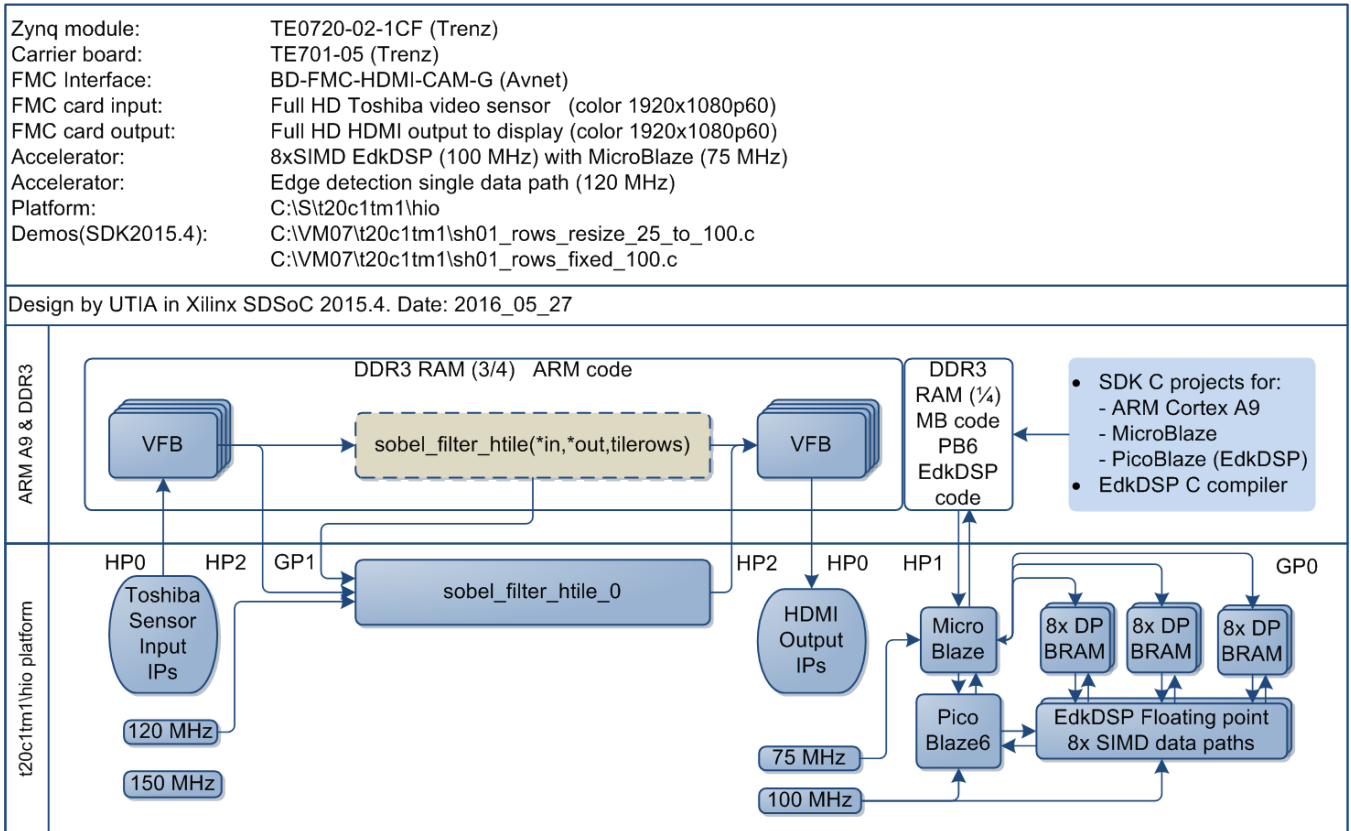


Figure 2: Project sh01 - Edge detection with single HW accelerator

Energy per pixel (nJ/p = nano Joule/pixel) **Reduced:**
 EdkDSP FIR SW: 515.54 nJ/p HW: 103.89 nJ/p **4.96 x**
 EdkDSP LMS SW: 513.96 nJ/p HW: 103.57 nJ/p **4.96 x**
 Filter by MB SW: 504.49 nJ/p HW: 101.63 nJ/p **4.96 x**
 Without MB SW: 487.91 nJ/p HW: 98.23 nJ/p **4.97 x**

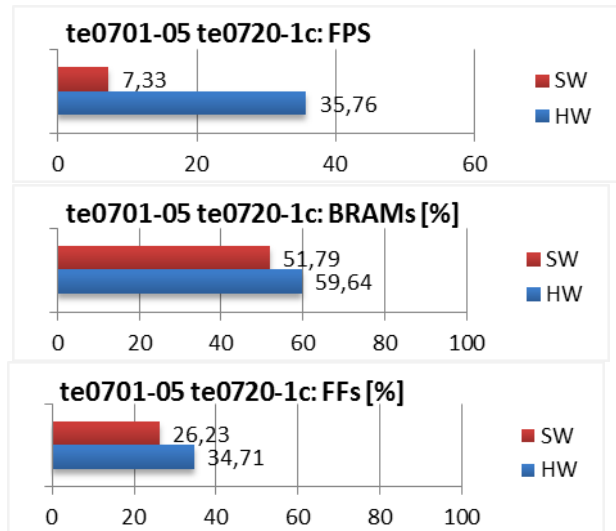
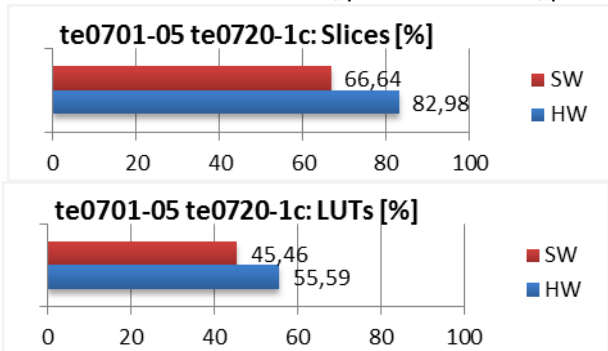


Figure 3: Project sh01 - Energy per frame reduction and used HW resources.

1.3 Project sh02: EdkDSP accelerator with edge detection in two HLS accelerators

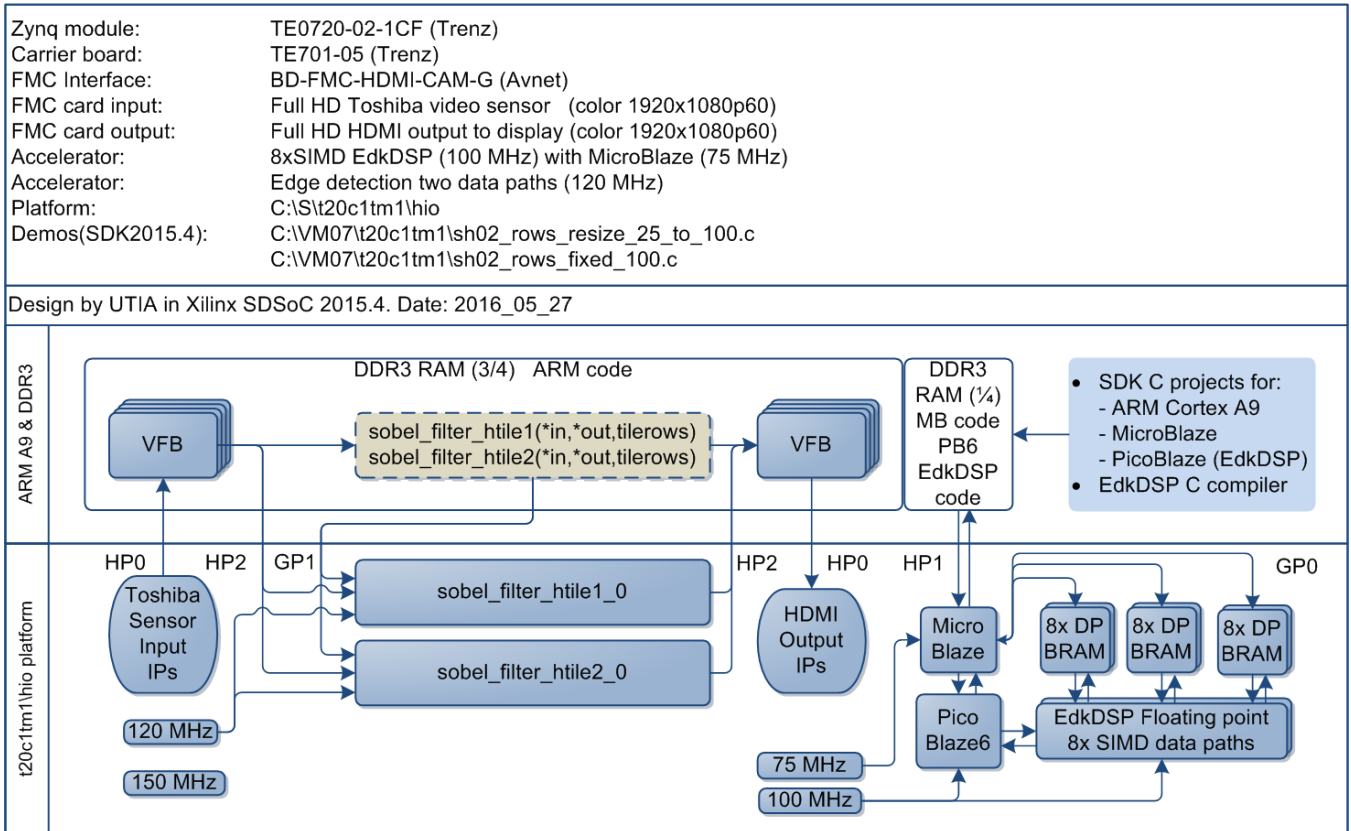


Figure 4: Project sh02 - Edge detection with two HW accelerators

Energy per pixel (nJ/p = nano Joule/pixel) Reduced:

EdkDSP FIR SW:	512.48 nJ/p	HW:	64.33 nJ/p	7.97 x
EdkDSP LMS SW:	510.90 nJ/p	HW:	64.14 nJ/p	7.97 x
Filter by MB SW:	501.44 nJ/p	HW:	62.98 nJ/p	7.96 x
Without MB SW:	484.88 nJ/p	HW:	60.96 nJ/p	7.99 x



Figure 5: Project sh02 - Energy per frame reduction and used HW resources.

1.4 Project sh03: EdkDSP accelerator with edge detection in three HLS accelerators

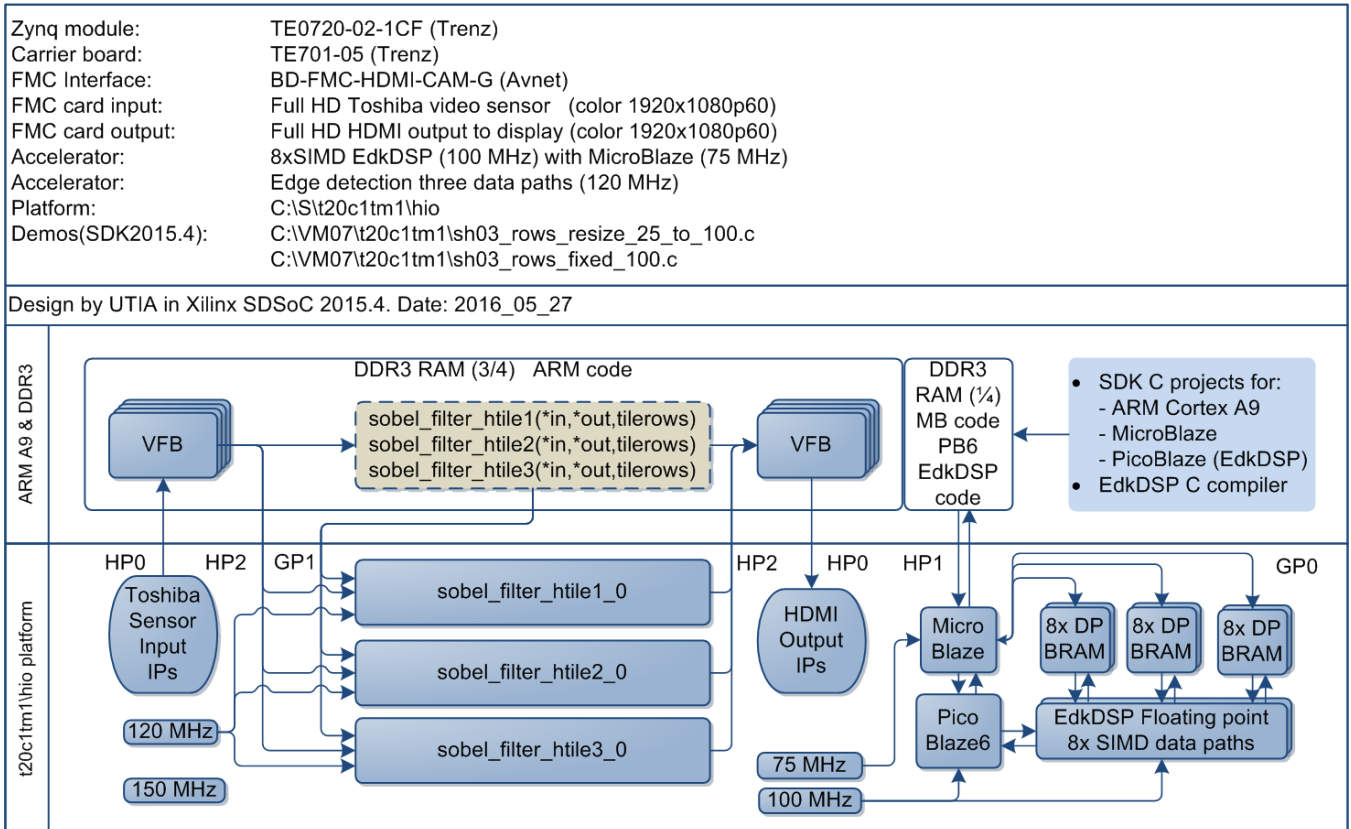


Figure 6: Project sh03 - Edge detection with three HW accelerators

Energy per pixel (nJ/p = nano Joule/pixel) **Reduced:**
 EdkDSP FIR SW: 508.82 nJ/p HW: 64.04 nJ/p **7.94 x**
 EdkDSP LMS SW: 507.25 nJ/p HW: 63.85 nJ/p **7.94 x**
 Filter by MB SW: 497.83 nJ/p HW: 62.69 nJ/p **7.94 x**
 Without MB SW: 481.34 nJ/p HW: 60.67 nJ/p **7.93 x**

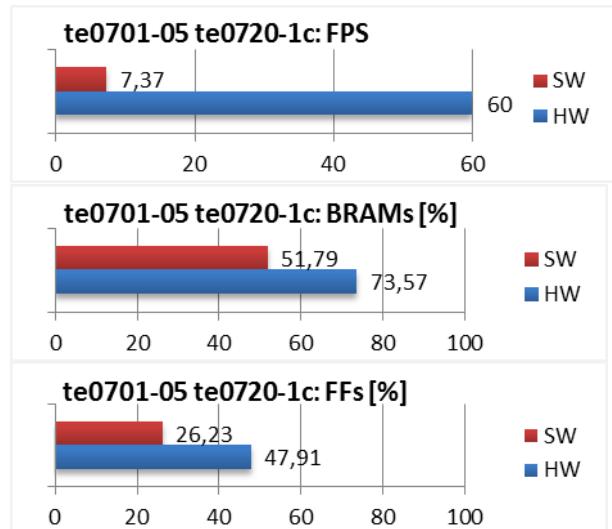
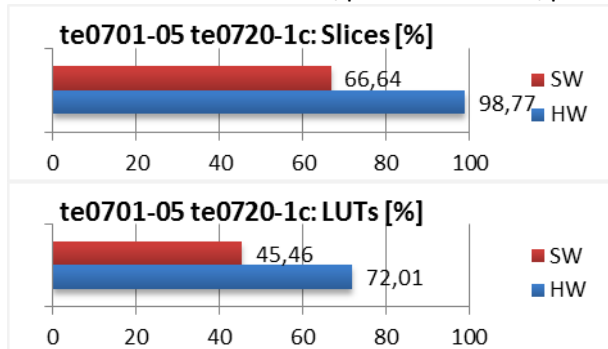


Figure 7: Project sh03 - Energy per frame reduction and used HW resources.

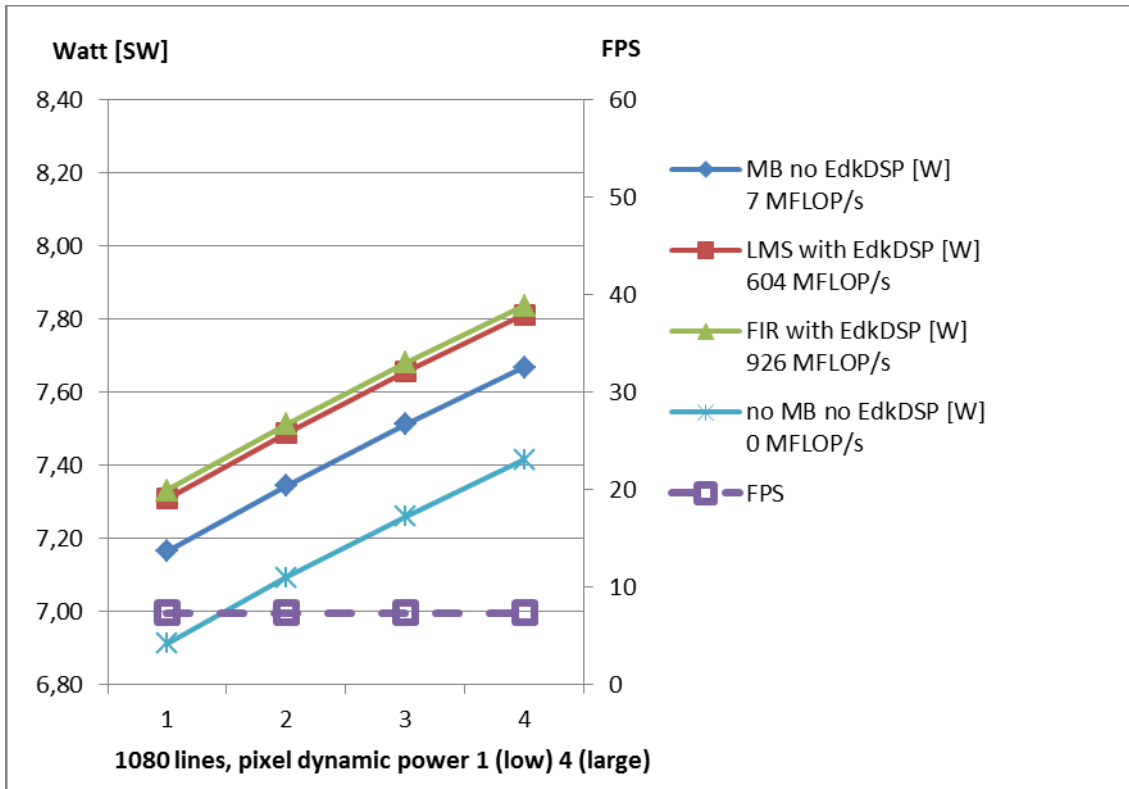


Figure 8: Project sh01 – EdkDSP and edge detection in one Arm SW function

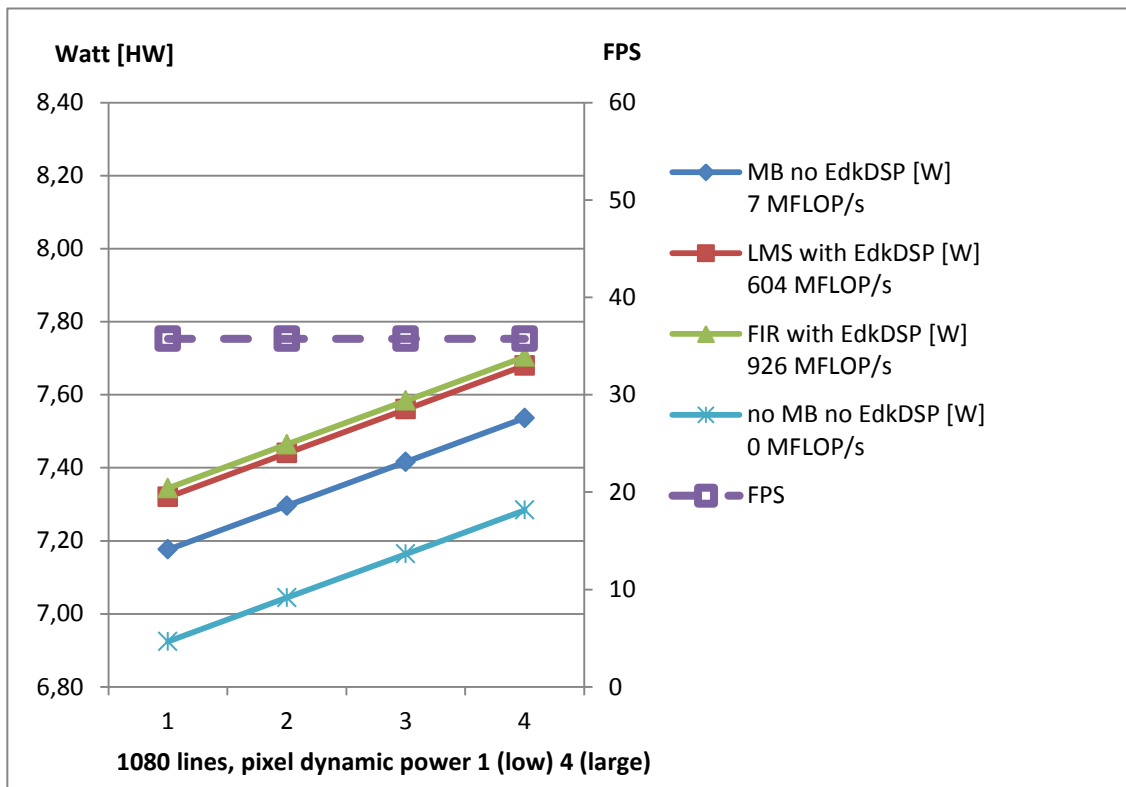


Figure 9: Project sh01 – EdkDSP and edge detection in one HLS accelerator

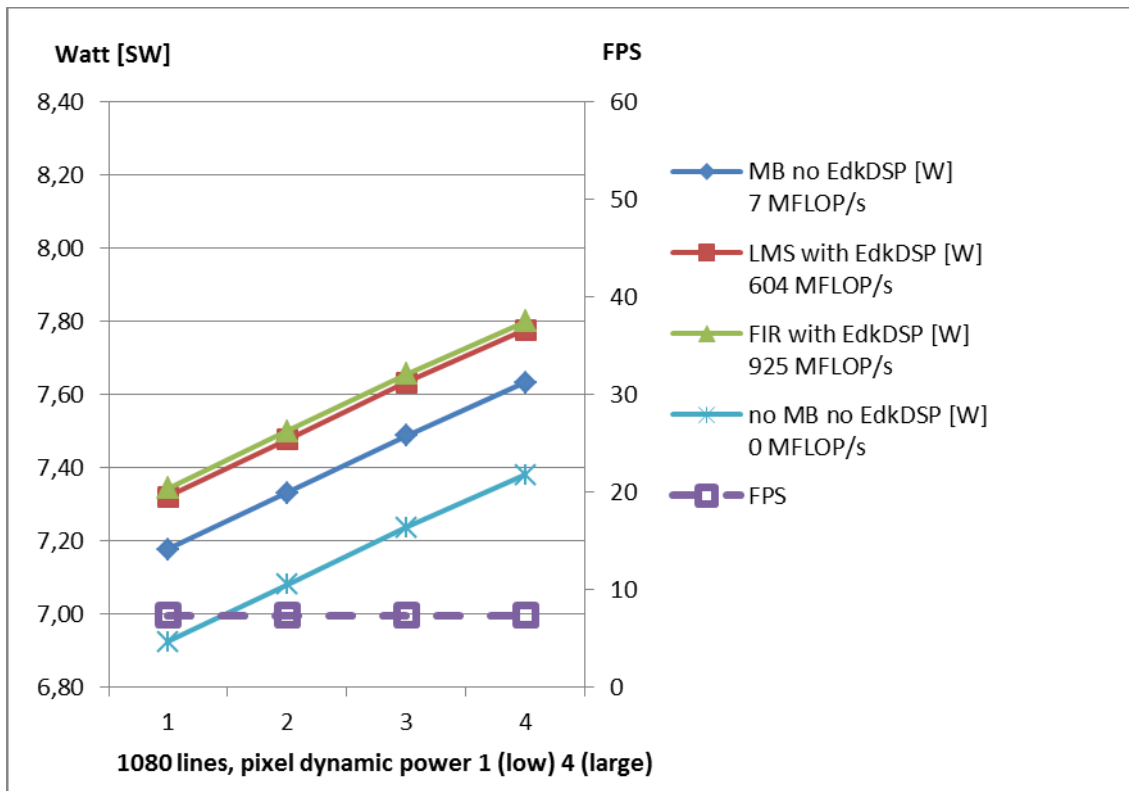


Figure 10: Project sh02 – EdkDSP and edge detection with two Arm SW functions

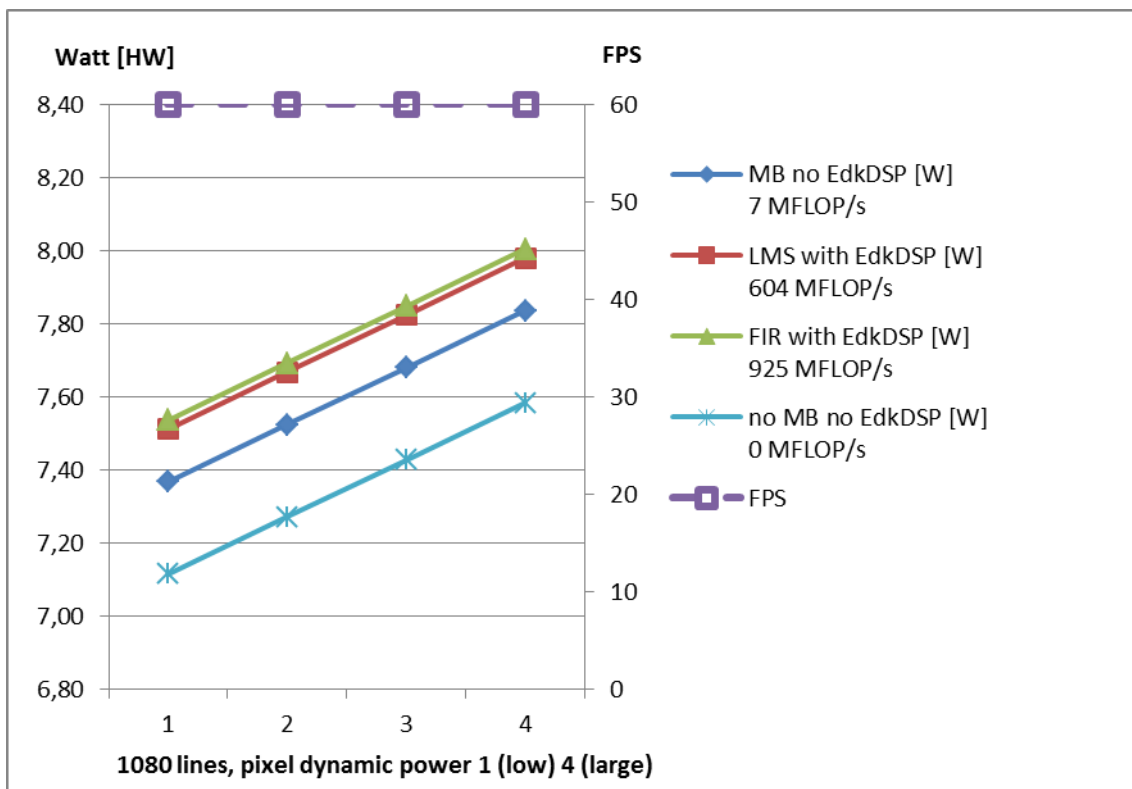


Figure 11: Project sh02 – EdkDSP and edge detection with two HLS accelerators

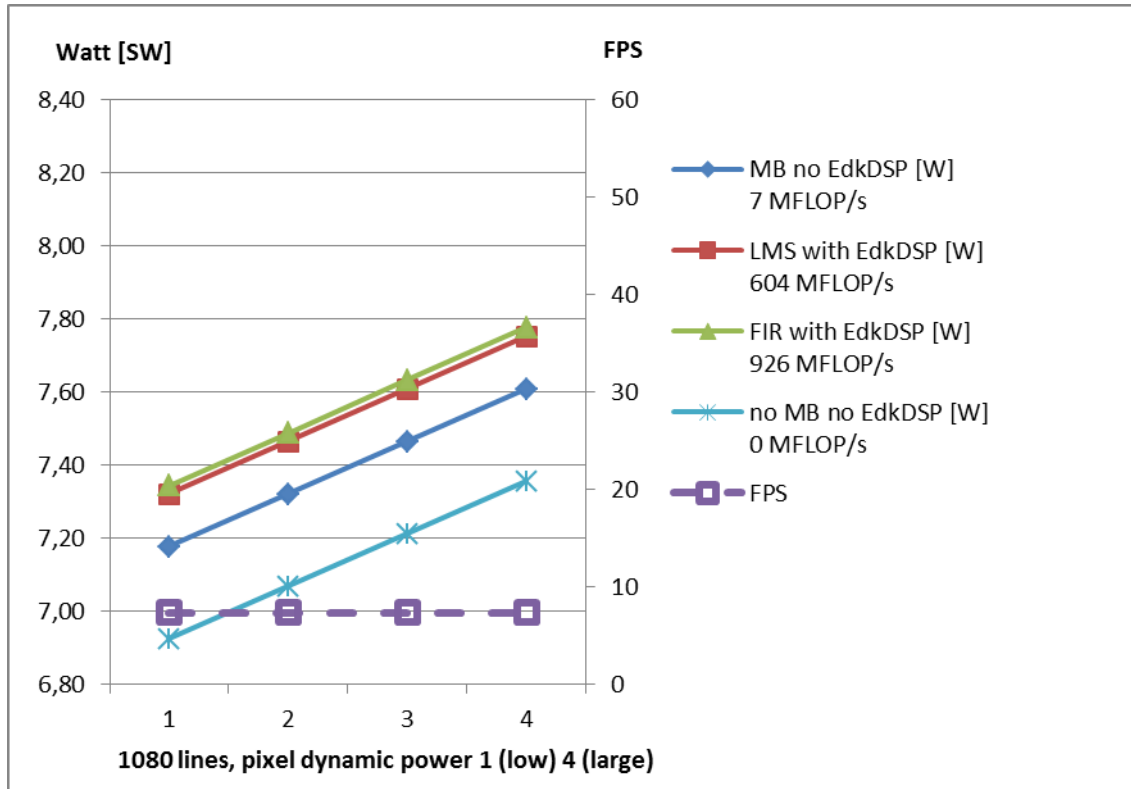


Figure 12: Project sh03 – EdkDSP and edge detection with three Arm SW functions

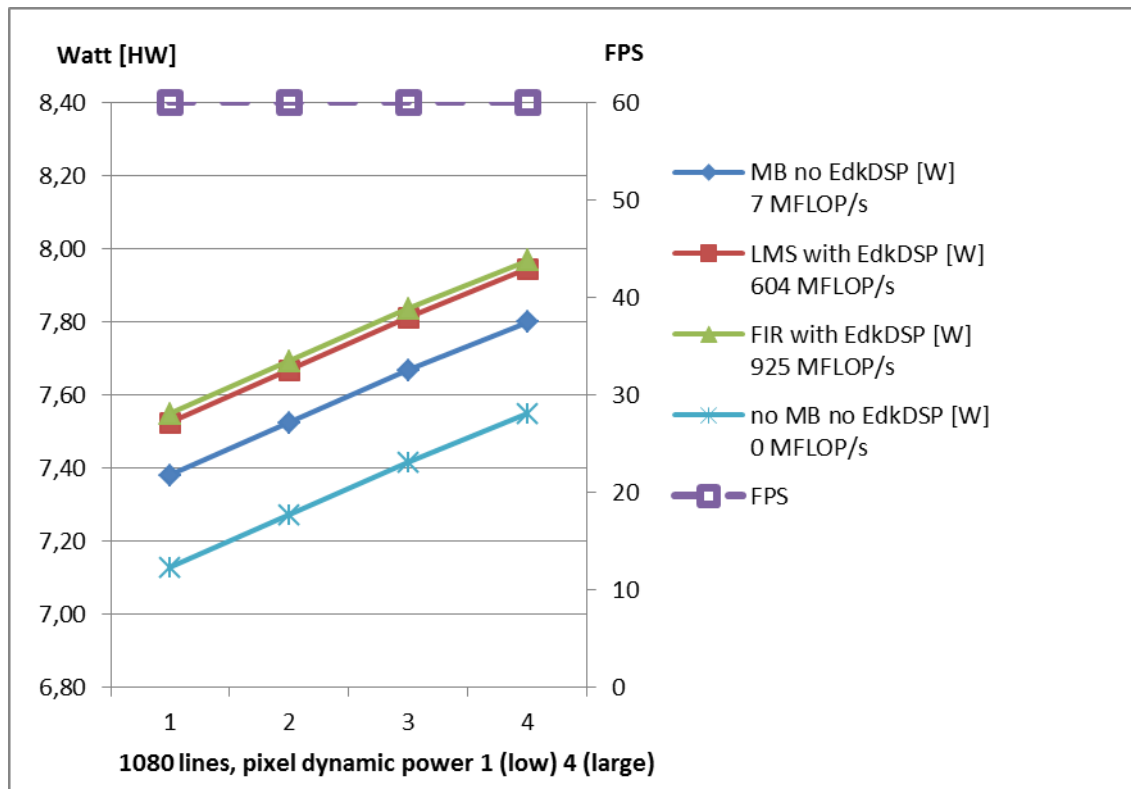


Figure 13: Project sh03 – EdkDSP and edge detection with three HLS accelerators

1.5 Project md01: EdkDSP accelerator with motion detection in HLS accelerators

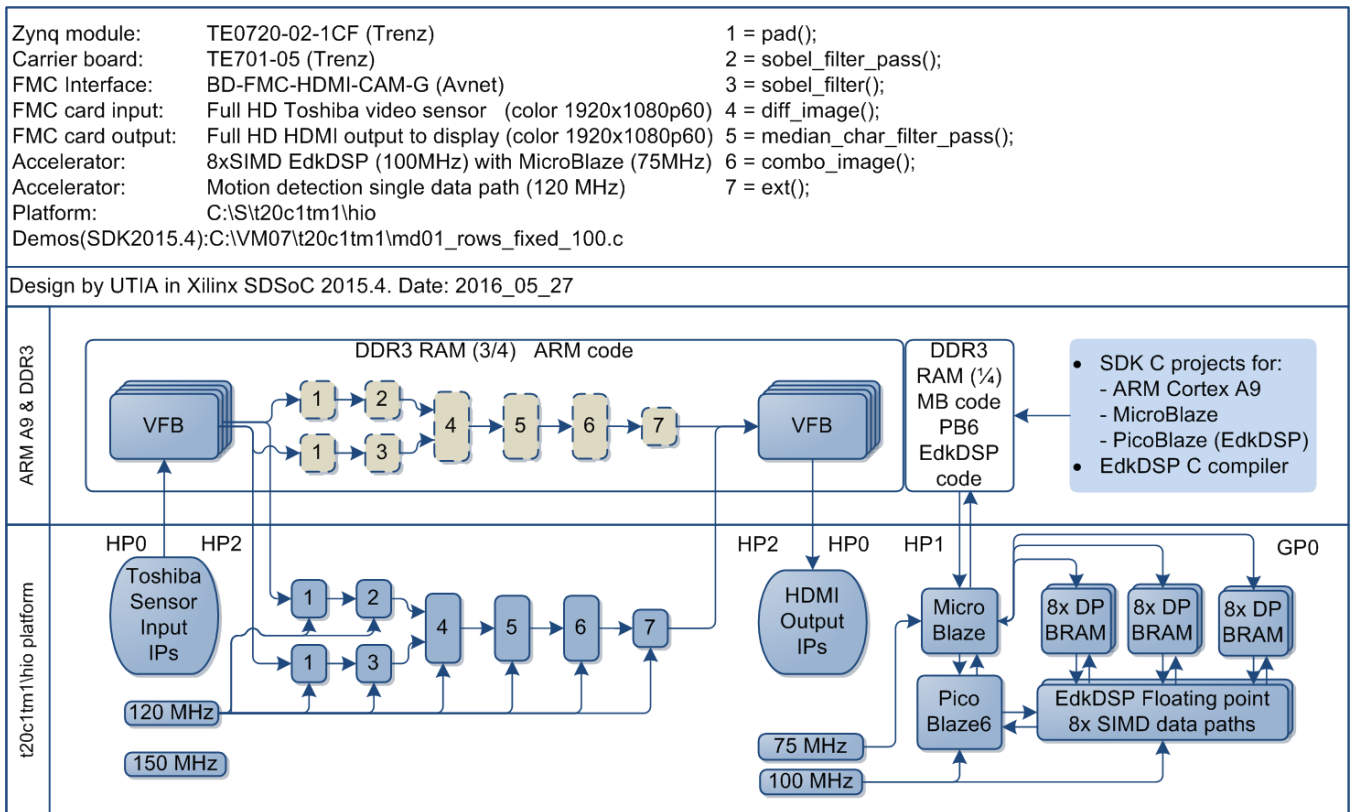


Figure 14: Project md01 - Motion detection with single HW accelerator data path

Energy per pixel (nJ/p = nano Joule/pixel) **Reduced:**
 EdkDSP FIR SW: 3227.0 nJ/p HW: 121.4 nJ/p **26.58 x**
 EdkDSP LMS SW: 3217.2 nJ/p HW: 121.1 nJ/p **26.57 x**
 Filter by MB SW: 3158.4 nJ/p HW: 118.9 nJ/p **26.56 x**
 Without MB SW: 3055.4 nJ/p HW: 115.2 nJ/p **26.52 x**

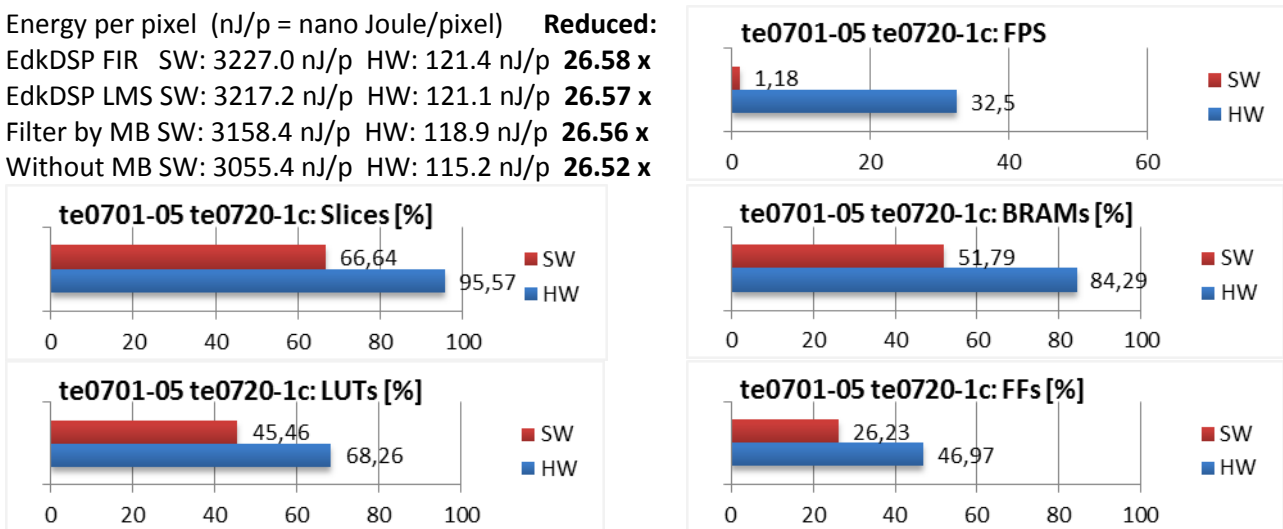


Figure 15: Project md01 - Energy per frame reduction and HW resources.

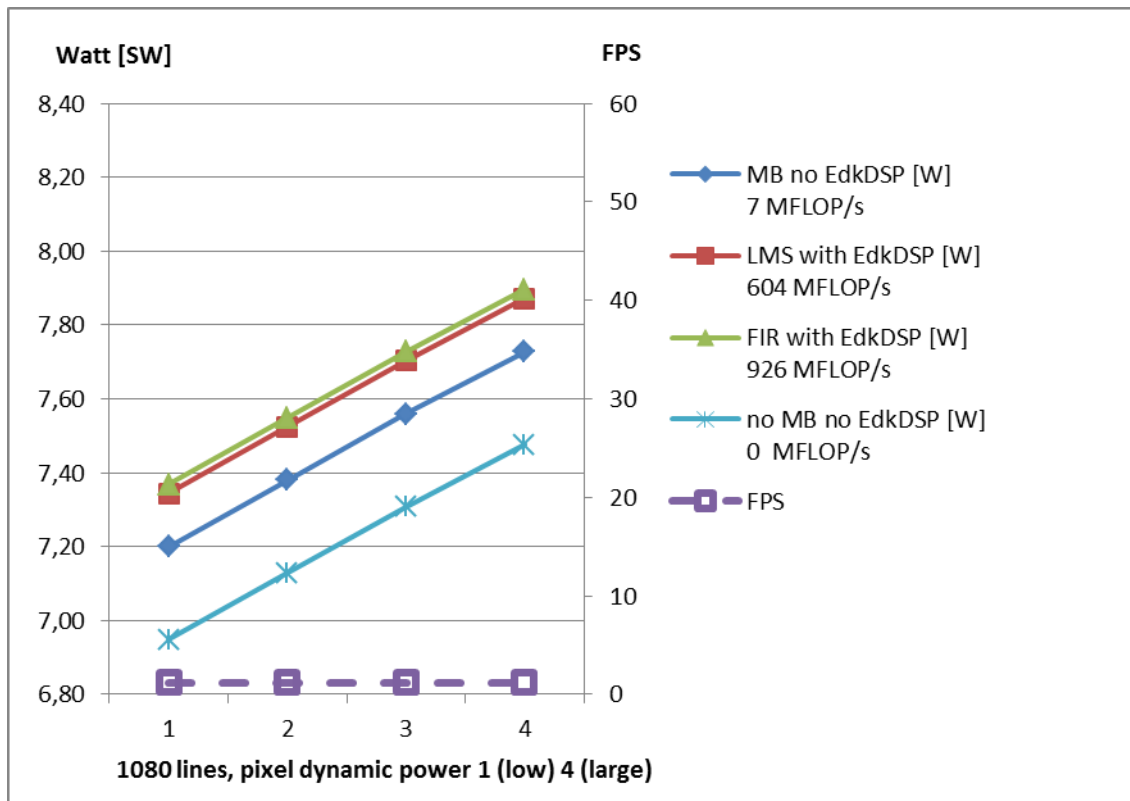


Figure 16: Project md01 – EdkDSP and motion detection in Arm SW functions

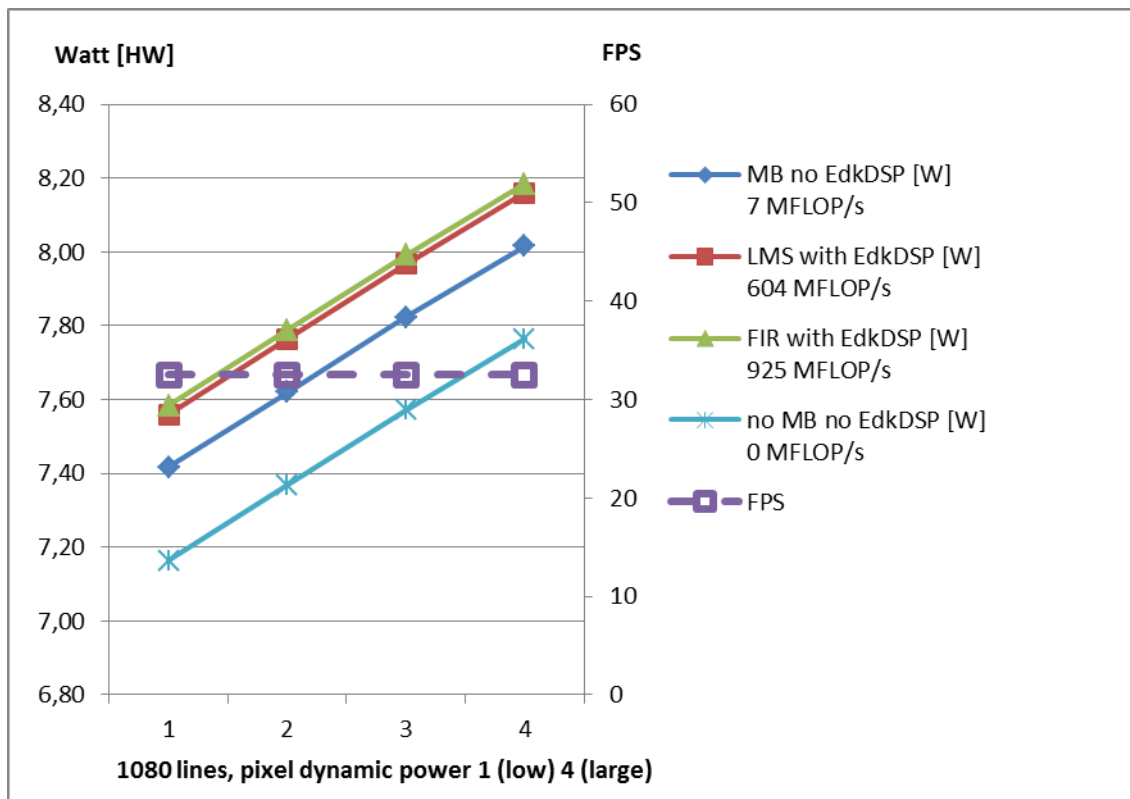


Figure 17: Project md01 – EdkDSP and motion detection with single HLS accelerator path

2. Installation of evaluation package

2.1 Import of SW projects in Xilinx SDK 2015.4

Unzip the evaluation package to directory of your choice.
The directory **C:\VM_07** will be used in this application note.
C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1_V54_IMPORT

Create empty directory for Xilinx SDK workspace.
C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1

Start Xilinx SDK 2015.4 and select the directory for the SDK 2015.4 workspace. See Figure 18.
Select **C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1**

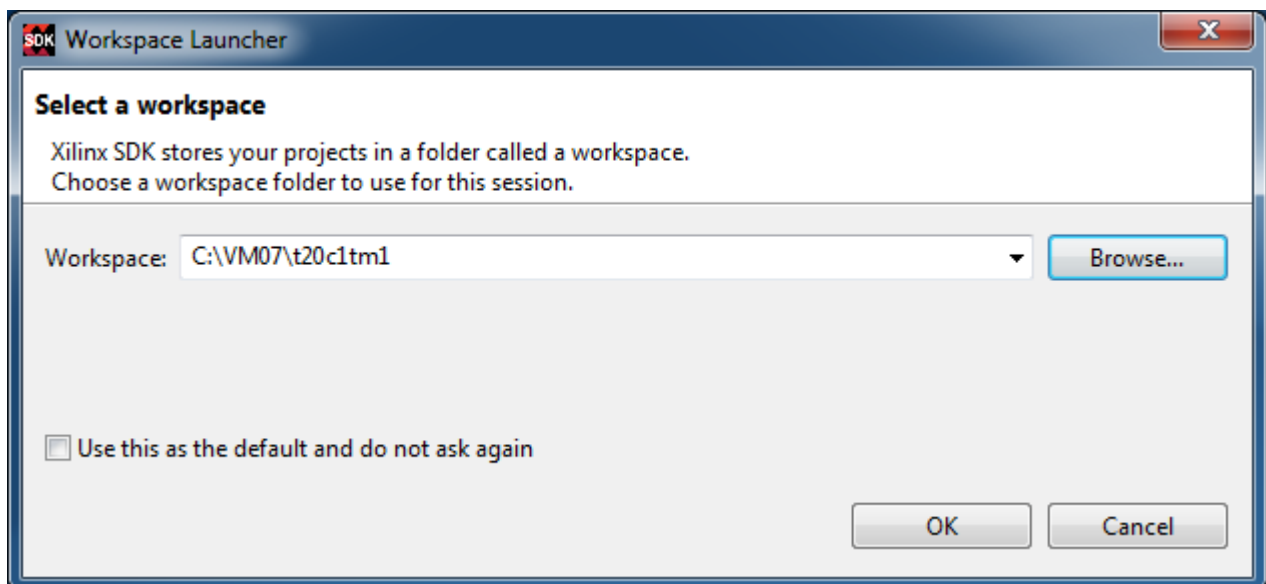


Figure 18: Select the SDK Workspace

HW and SW projects can be imported into SDK now. Select:

File -> Import -> General -> Existing Projects into Workspace
Click on Next button. See Figure 19.

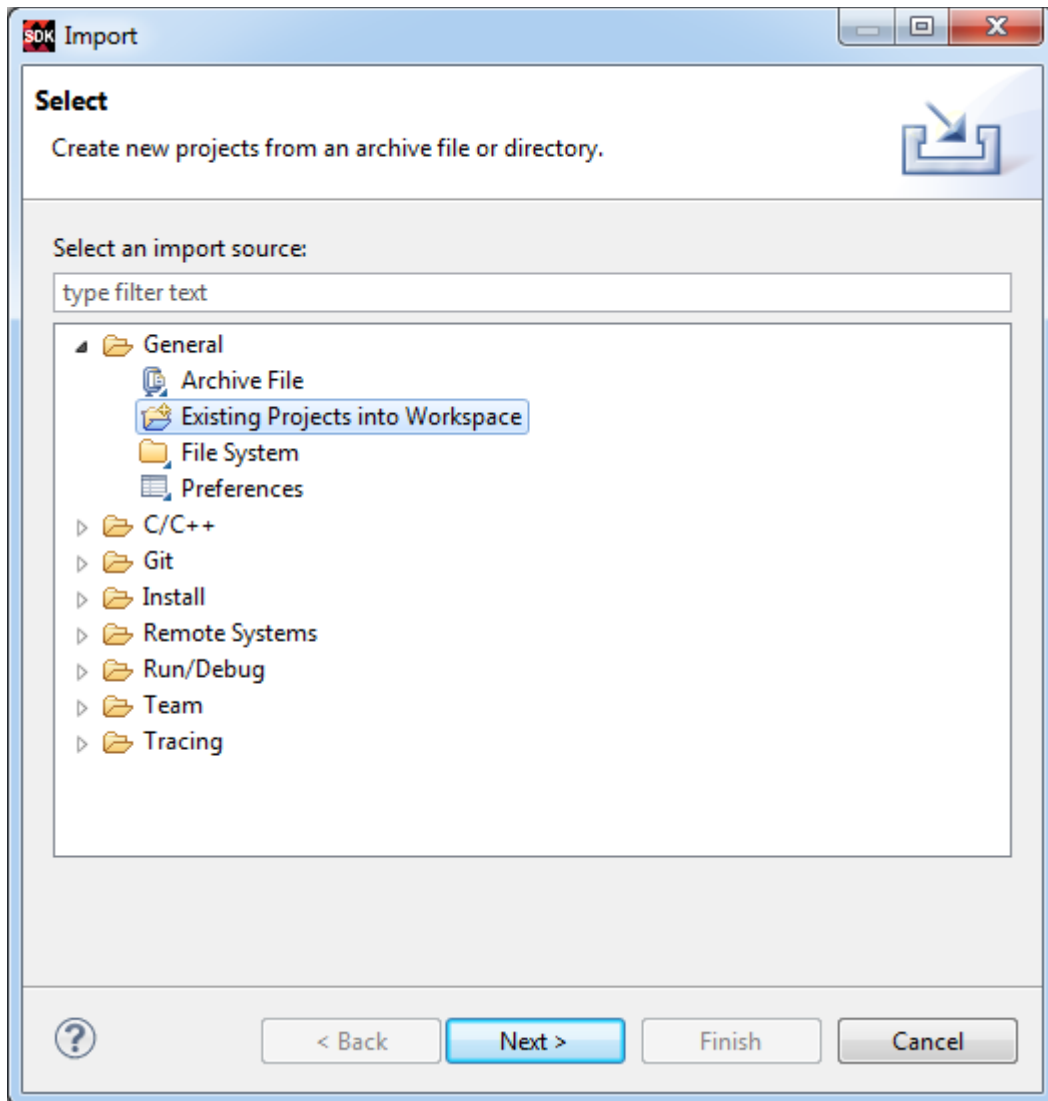


Figure 19: Import Existing Projects into Workspace

Type directory with projects to be imported. See Figure 20.

C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1_V54_IMPORT

Set the “**Copy projects into workspace**” check box.
Click on Finish button. See Figure 20.

Process of compilation will start automatically. This first compilation of all SDK SW projects can take several minutes to finish. It should finish without errors.

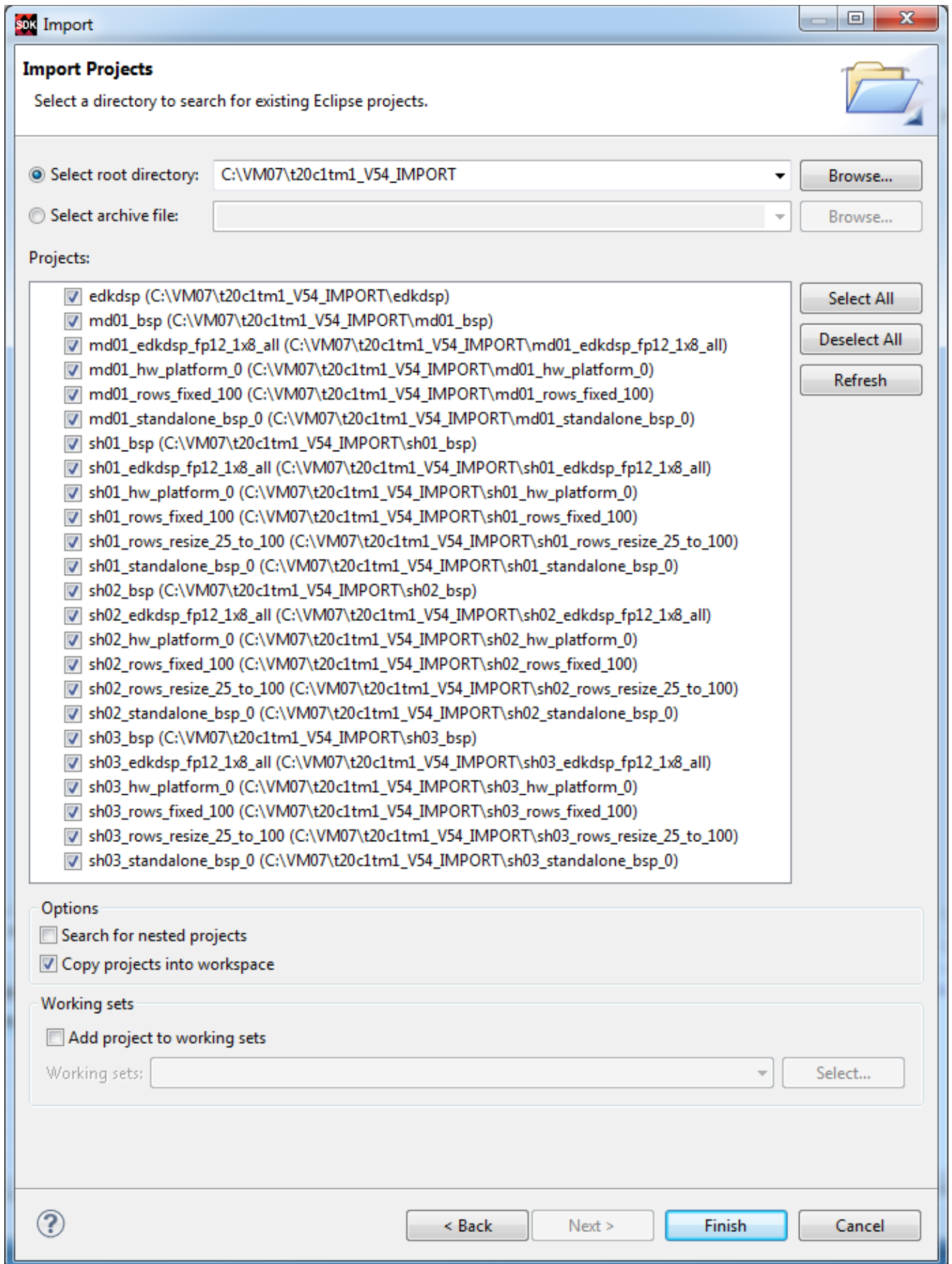


Figure 20: Select “Copy projects into workspace” and finish the import of all projects.

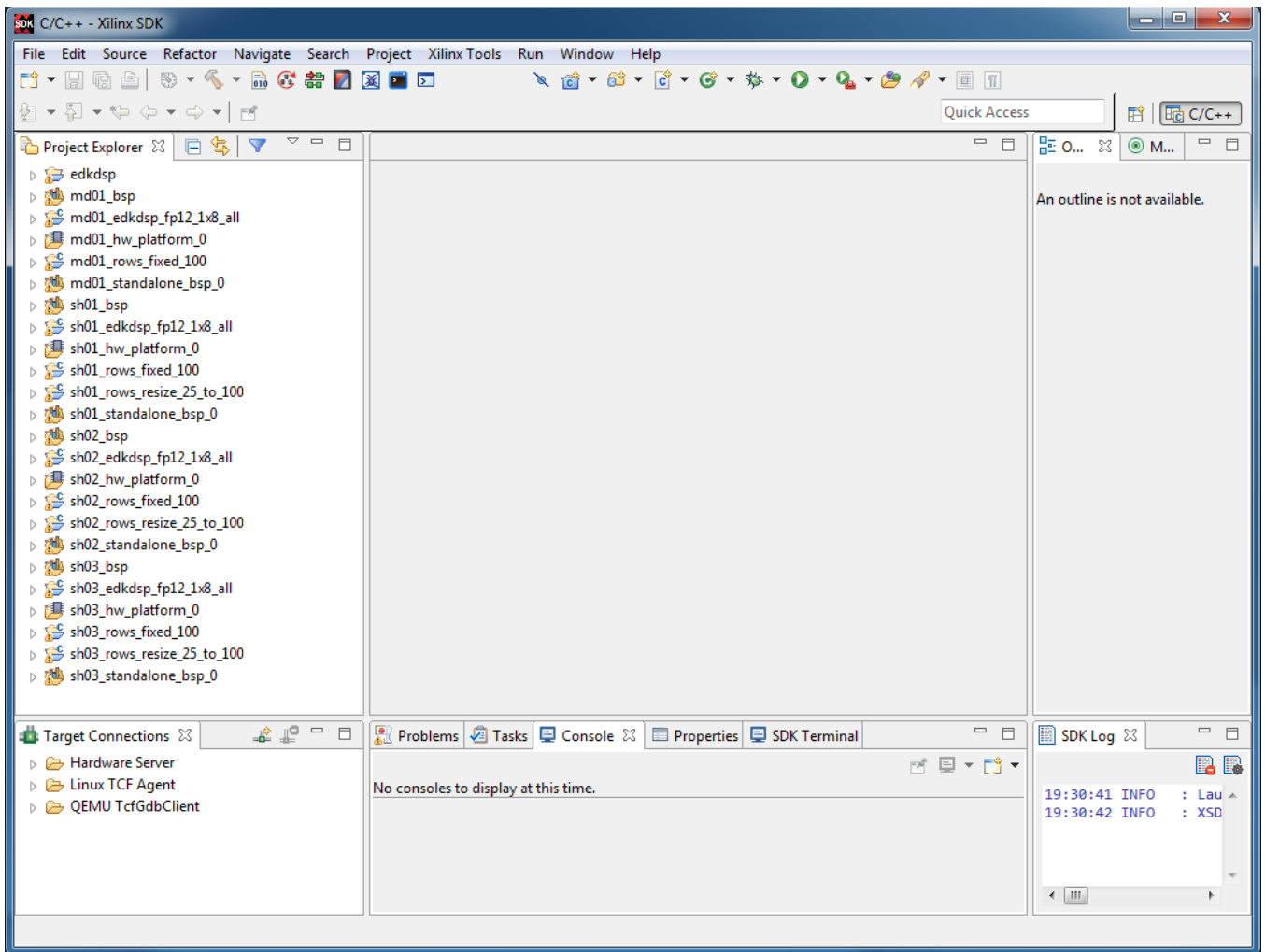


Figure 21: All projects are compiled in debug mode.

SDK 2015.4 compiles SW of all imported demos in debug mode.

2.2 HW setup

HW setup is using commercially accessible components [1], [2], [3], [4], [5], [6]:

TE0720-03-1CF ; Part: XC7Z020-1CLG484C; 1 GByte DDR;	Price: €219,00 [1]
Heatsink for TE0720 , spring-loaded embedded;	Price: €19.00 [2]
TE0701-05 Carrier Board for Trenz Electronic 7 Series;	Price: €249.00 [3]
AES-FMC-HDMI-CAM-G FMC card with HDMI I/O and CAM interface	Price: \$250.00 [4]
Toshiba Industrial 1080P60 Camera Module	Price \$229.00 [5]
PmodRS232 : Serial converter & interface	Price €13.54 [6]

HW Options:

TE0701-05 can be replaced by **TE0701-04** (Same Price, both boards from Trenz) [3].

Trenz TE0701-04 or TE0701-05 carriers require modifications to run the FMC Imageon carrier AES-FMC-HDMI-CAM-G with Zynq TE0720-03-1CF system on module. The modification is related to the swapped polarity of the differential clock signal for the FMC board. Evaluation HW systems with carriers TE0701-04 or TE0701-05 provided by UTIA have these modifications already done.

UTIA can implement these HW modifications for the original Trenz TE0701-04 and TE0701-05 carriers. This requires written e-mail request to kadlec@utia.cas.cz. Request will be first confirmed by UTIA. The interested party has to cover the cost of shipment of the carrier board to/from UTIA. Modification can be done in 5 working days and it is offered free of charge.

2.3 Test demos

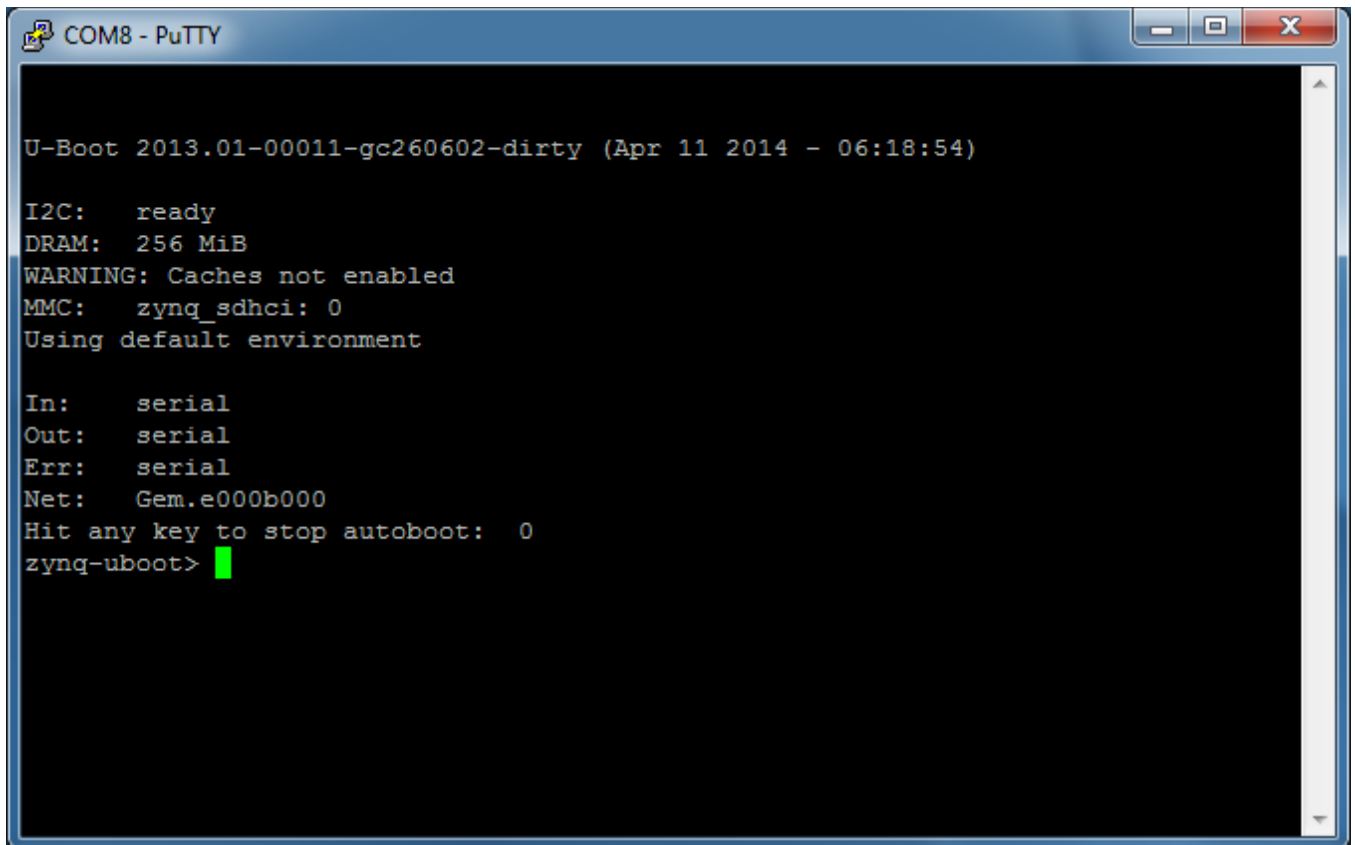
To test demos follow these steps:

- Insert the Toshiba Full HD video sensor to the connector on the Imageon board.
- Connect Full HD (or DVI) monitor by HDMI cable to the HDMI OUT on the Imageon FMC card.
- Switch the monitor ON.
- Connect the carrier board by USB-to-microUSB cable to PC to support JTAG serial link and the standard serial terminal.
- Connect the PmodRS232 Serial converter & interface module to the carrier board as indicated in Fig. xx . Connect the RS232 cable to COM1 serial terminal of your PC. This serial line will support serial terminal for the Microblaze processor.



Figure 22: Serial cables USB based for Arm and Jtag. RS232 with Pmod for Microblaze .

- Connect power supply (DC 12V).
- Open and configure the standard serial terminal client (PuTTY or similar) on PC for the Arm serial terminal (USB emulated). (Speed: 115200 baud; Data bits: 8; Stop bits: 1; Parity: None; Flow control: None).
- Open and configure the standard serial terminal client (PuTTY or similar) on PC for MicroBlaze It is COM1. (Speed: 115200 baud; Data bits: 8; Stop bits: 1; Parity: None; Flow control: None).
- Reset the board. Board will start first stage boot loader from internal flash as set up by Trenz. It is writing messages to the serial terminal. On request, "Hit any key to stop autoboot" type any key to stop the auto-boot of Linux.
- If you need to switch-off the power, close first the serial terminal on the PC. This will help to avoid problems



```
COM8 - PuTTY
U-Boot 2013.01-00011-gc260602-dirty (Apr 11 2014 - 06:18:54)

I2C:   ready
DRAM:  256 MiB
WARNING: Caches not enabled
MMC:   zynq_sdhci: 0
Using default environment

In:    serial
Out:   serial
Err:   serial
Net:   Gem.e000b000
Hit any key to stop autoboot:  0
zynq-uboot>
```

Figure 23: Serial console. Reset board and stop auto boot by any key.

Download bitstream to the board. Demo **sh01_rows_fixed_100** will be used as an example. The **bitstream.bit** for demo **sh01** is located in the directory:

C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1\sh01_hw_platform_0

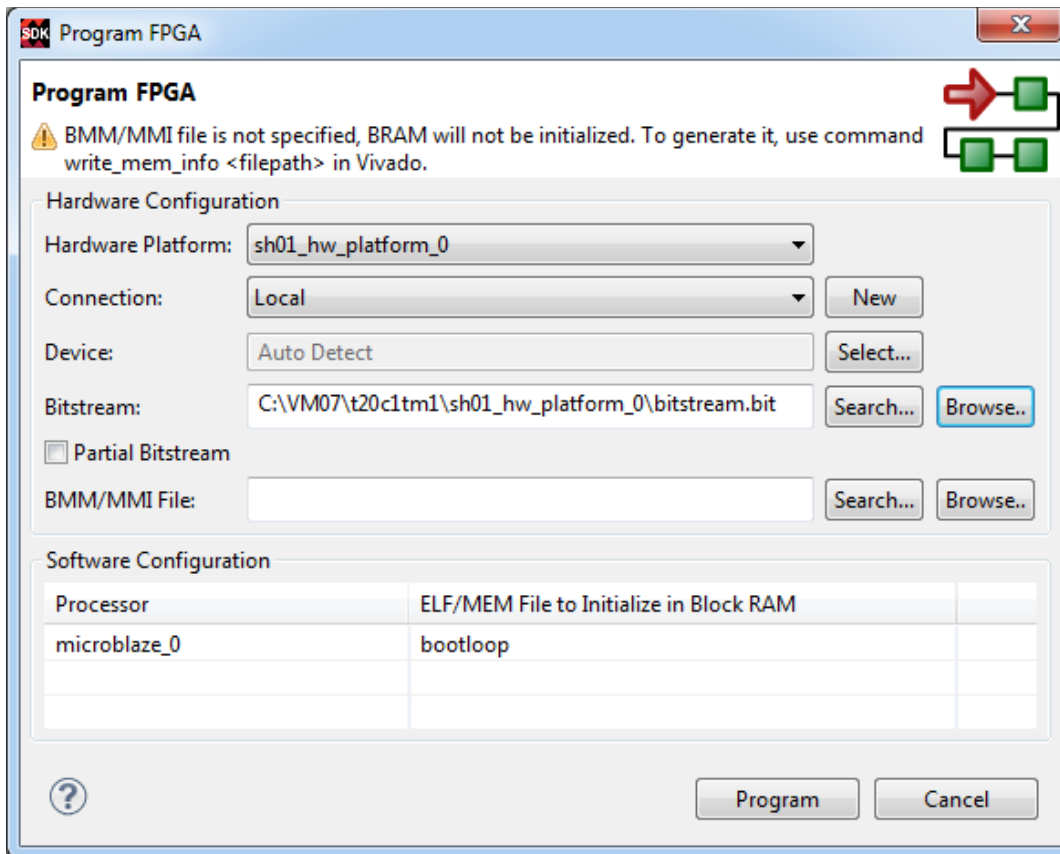


Figure 24: Download bitstream to the PL part of Zynq.

Select Program to download the bitstream to the PL part of Zynq via the USB cable in JTAG mode.

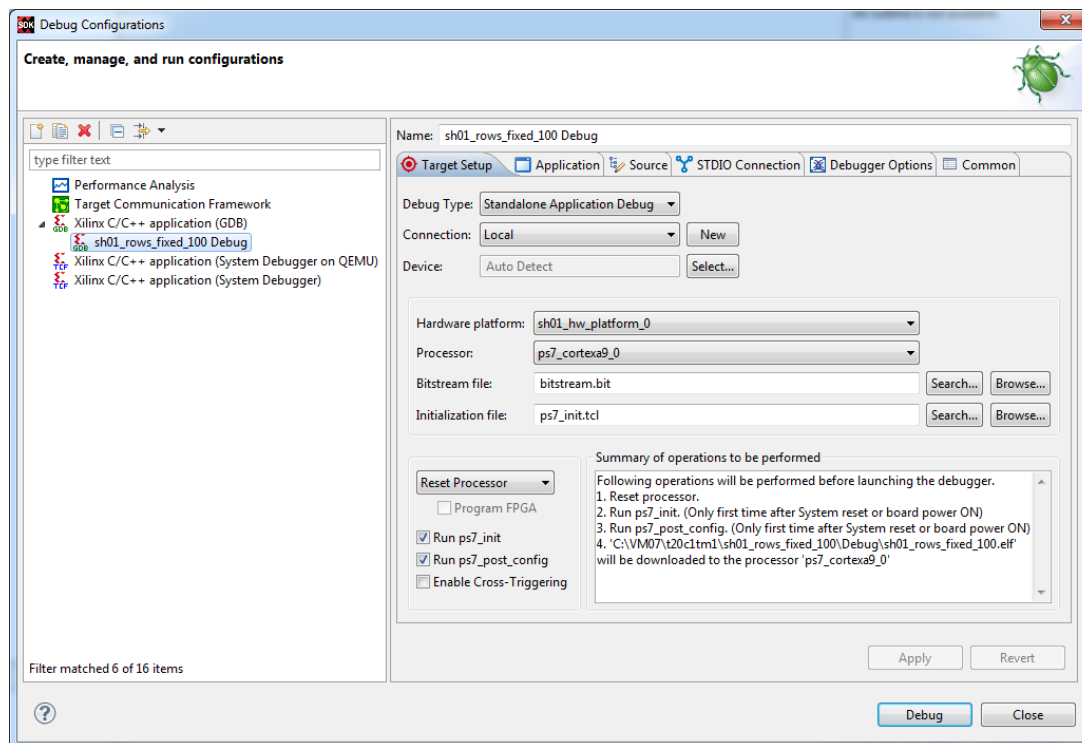


Figure 25: Select demo application for debug.

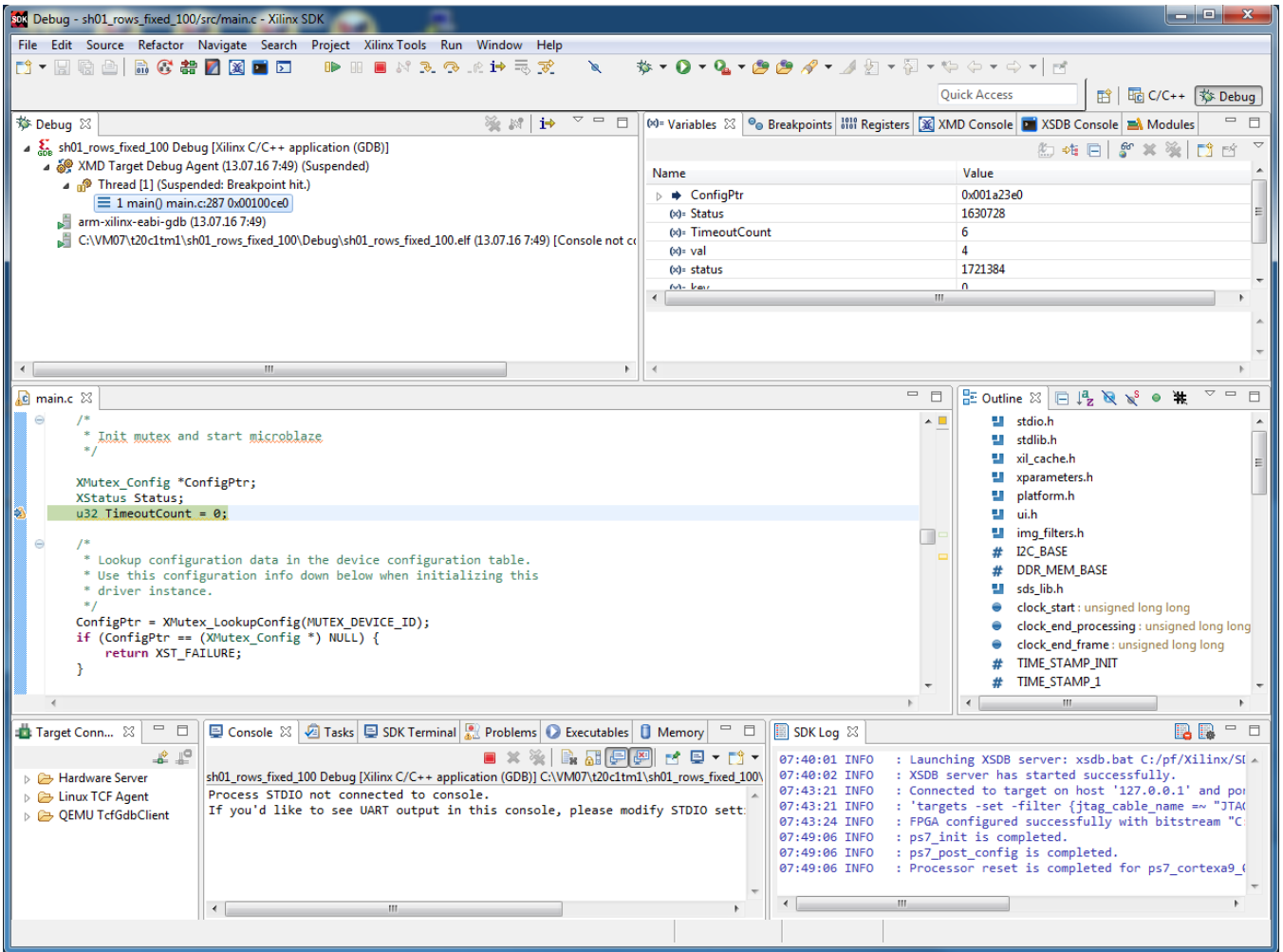


Figure 26: Demo app is booted to Arm and the debugger is waiting on the first executable line.

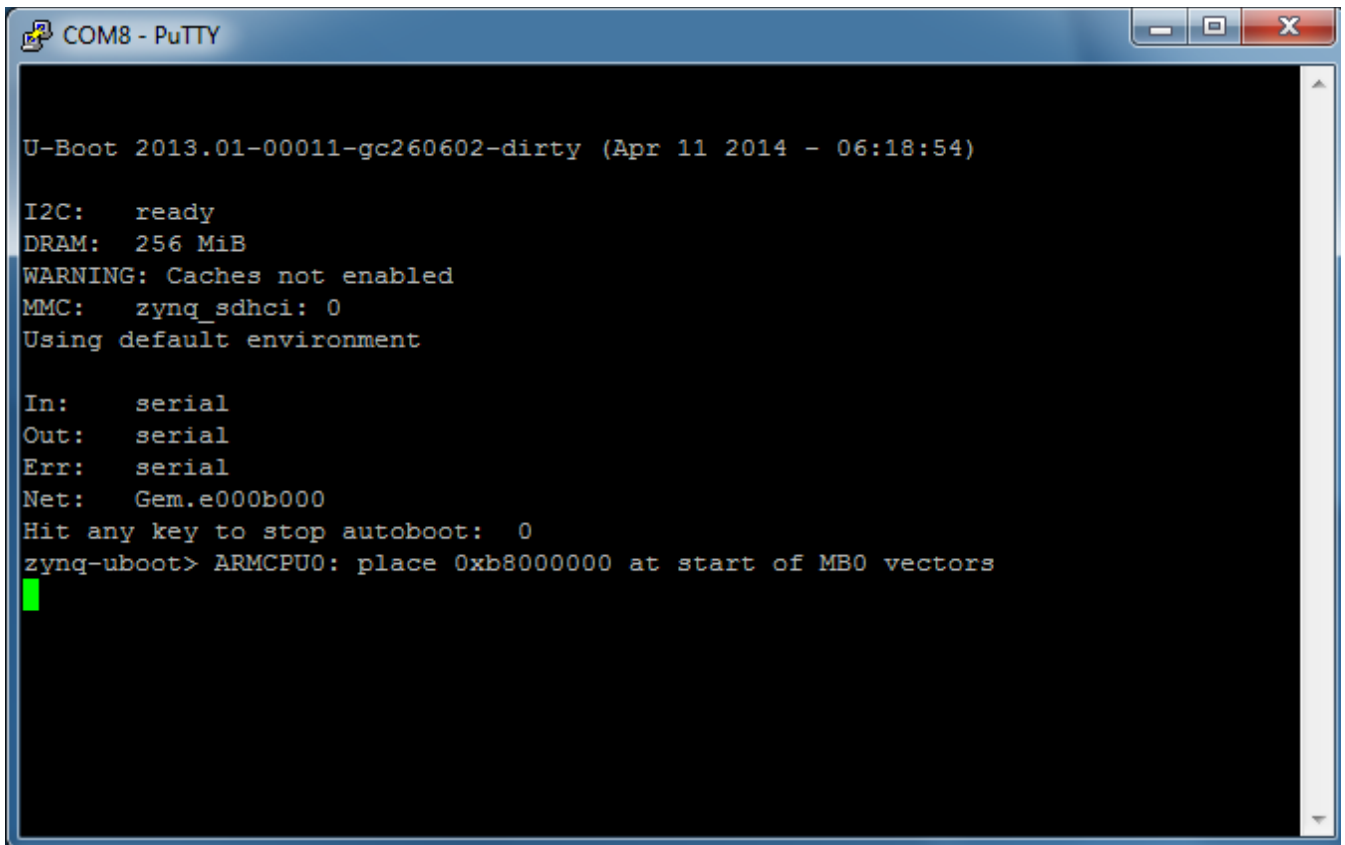


Figure 27: Arm is waiting on HW Mutex for the MicroBlaze start.

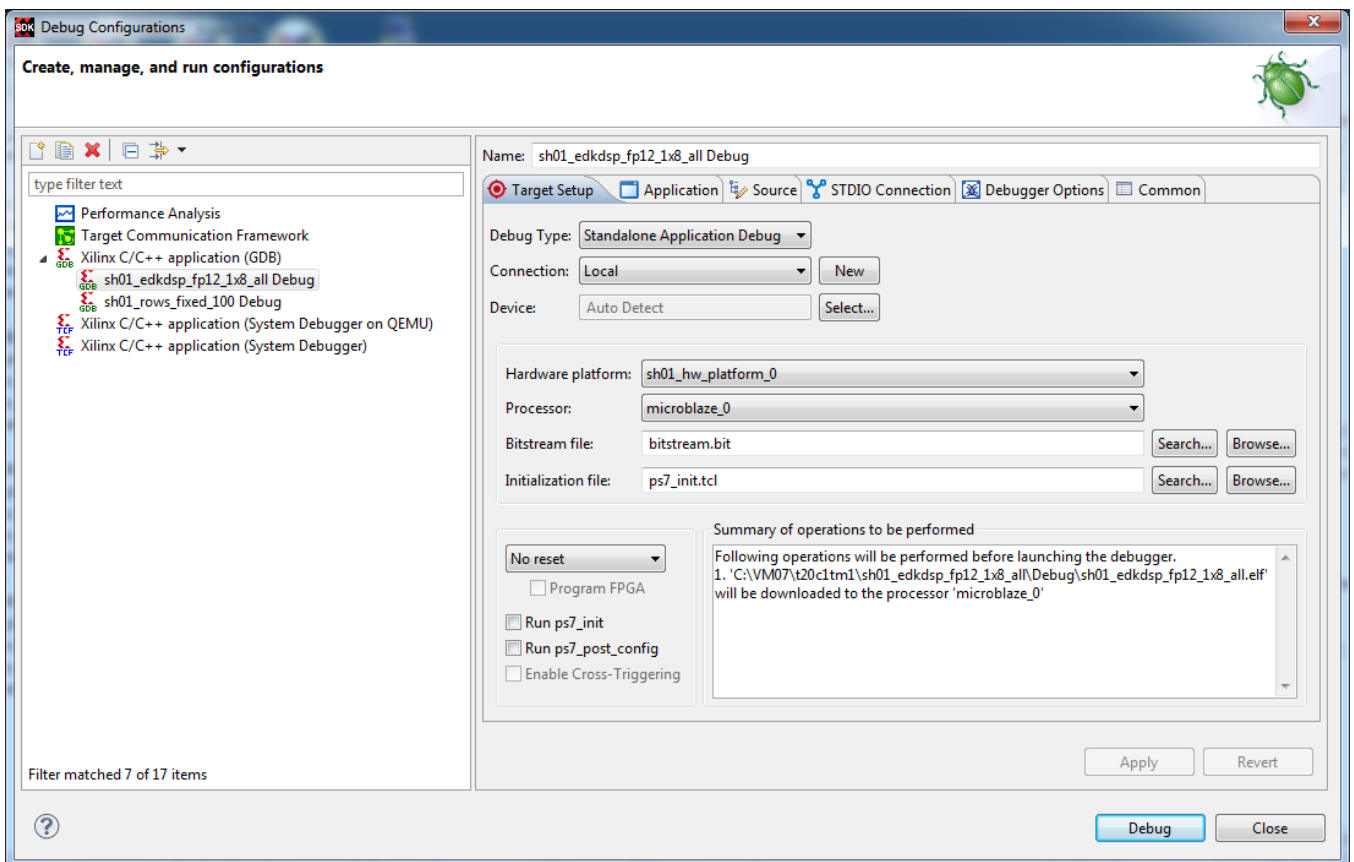


Figure 28: Select the Microblaze application for debug.

We are downloading program for Microblaze while Arm is already running.

- Unselect “Run ps7_init”
- Unselect “Run ps7_post_config”
- Select No reset

Click on “Apply” button.

Click on “Debug” to download the **sh01_edkdsp_fp12_1x8_all.elf** to DDR3 as program for MicroBlaze.

The debugger will download this code by JTAG (connected to PC by the USB cable shared with the serial terminal) and stop Microblaze at the first executable instruction. See Figure 29.

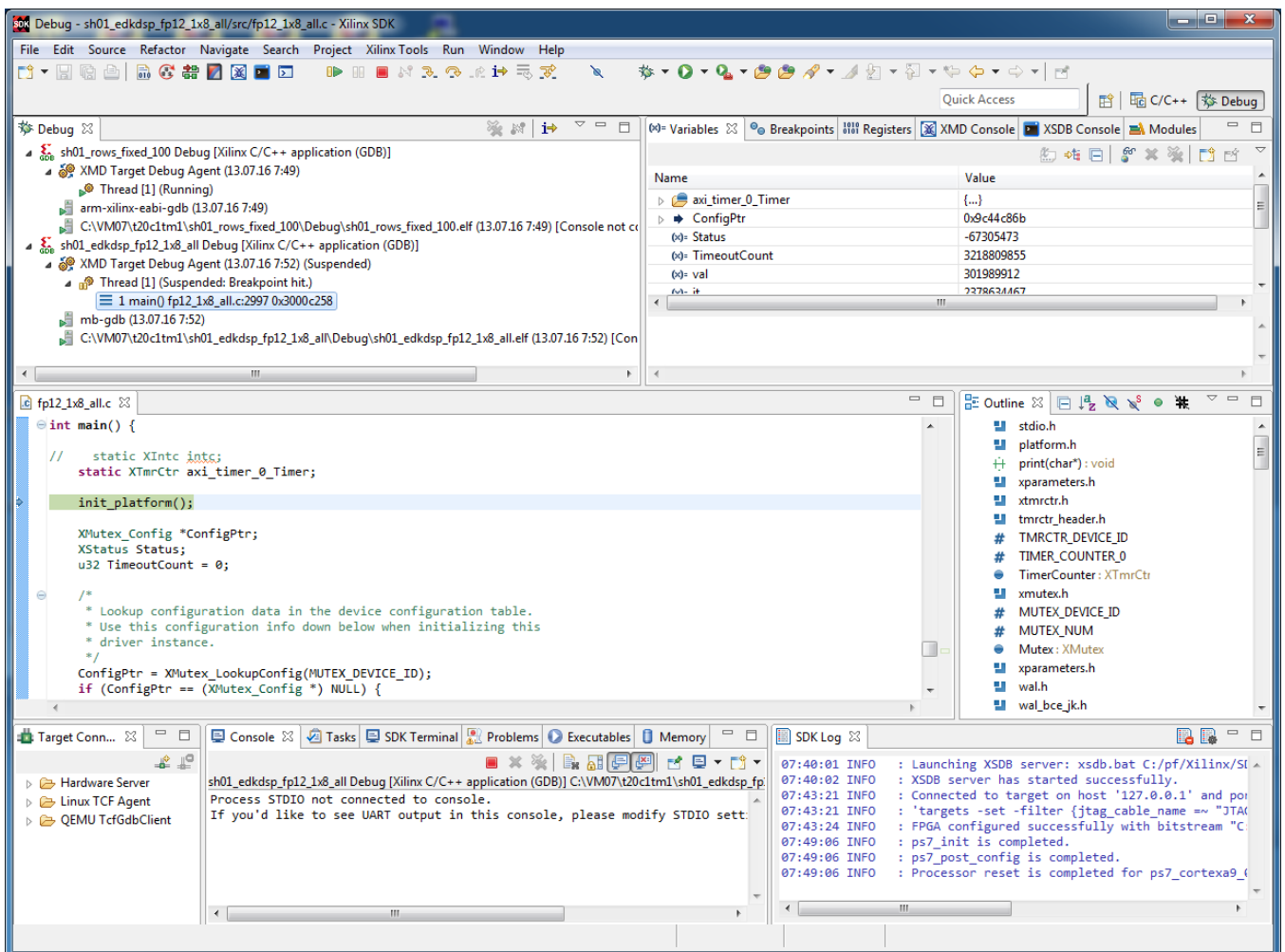


Figure 29: MicroBlaze application is loaded and debugger stops on the first instruction.

- Arm Thread [1] is running.
- Microblaze Thread [1] is currently suspended at breakpoint hit. See Figure 29.

Click on the `|>` icon to start the execution of MicroBlaze. The handshake of Arm and Microblaze on HW mutex IP is completed and both processors start to run uninterrupted.

Arm will initiate the Toshiba Full HD video sensor and all Video processing IP cores. It controls in SW status of VDMA units and sets correct pointers to the active video frame buffers. Video processing is performed by HLS IP cores in HW. Data are moved from video frame buffers to HW

and back to output video frame buffers by HW data mover IPs. These IPs are set-up by the Arm SW via the Axi-Lite.

Input HW data movers act as HW masters controlling the DMA engines moving data from DDR3 as input to the chain(s) of HLS IP cores. Output HW data movers act as HW masters controlling the DMA engines moving data from the output of chain(s) of HLS IP cores to DDR3 output video frame buffers. See

The image shows two terminal windows from a COM8 - PuTTY session. The left window displays the boot sequence of a Zynq-7010, including hardware initialization for the IMAGEON, timing controller, and VDMA. It shows the AXI_VDMA partial register dump with values for S2MM and MM2S DMA engines. The right window shows the AXI_VDMA error flag checking and clearing, followed by a detailed performance log for image processing, listing processing times and FPS for each frame.

```

COM8 - PuTTY
zynq-uboot> ARMCPU0: place 0xb8000000 at start of MBO vectors

*****
* Signal Processing Dept. *
* UTIA AV CR, v.v.i. *
* Toshiba Sensor In IMAGEON *
* [[Sobel edge detection]] *
* Full HD HDMI Out IMAGEON *
* C:/t20c1tml/hio *
* MicroBlaze 8xSIMD EdkDSP *
*****

IIC IMAGEON Initialization ... OK
HDMI0 Initialization ... OK
Initialize Timing Controller ... 1920x1080p60 OK
Initialize VDMA ... Common Init ... TX Init ... OK
RX Init ... OK
TCM3232PB Init ... Chip ID: 0x0854 OK
Running sobel ....
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
PARKPTR = 0x00000000
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S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
S2MM_DMASR = 0x00014810
S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
S2MM_VSIZE = 0x00000438
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MM2S_DMACR = 0x0001008B
MM2S_DMASR = 0x00011000
MM2S_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
MM2S_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
MM2S_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
MM2S_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
MM2S_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
MM2S_VSIZE = 0x00000438
-----
S2MM_HSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
S2MM_VSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
-----
AXI_VDMA - Checking Error Flags
S2MM_DMASR - ErrIrq
S2MM_DMASR - SOFLateErr
S2MM_DMASR - DMAIntErr
AXI_VDMA - Clearing Error Flags
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
PARKPTR = 0x03020000
-----
S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
S2MM_DMASR = 0x00011000
S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00

COM8 - PuTTY
AXI_VDMA - Checking Error Flags
S2MM_DMASR - ErrIrq
S2MM_DMASR - SOFLateErr
S2MM_DMASR - DMAIntErr
AXI_VDMA - Clearing Error Flags
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
PARKPTR = 0x03020000
-----
S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
S2MM_DMASR = 0x00011000
S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
-----
S2MM_HSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
S2MM_VSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
-----
Parking started
Image processing time: 0, Total FPS: 0.019081
Image processing time: 18642698, Total FPS: 35.750568
Image processing time: 18638366, Total FPS: 35.759415
Image processing time: 18638128, Total FPS: 35.759941
Image processing time: 18637946, Total FPS: 35.760372
Image processing time: 18637990, Total FPS: 35.760277
Image processing time: 18638034, Total FPS: 35.760139
Image processing time: 18637992, Total FPS: 35.760250
Image processing time: 18637954, Total FPS: 35.760326
Image processing time: 18638006, Total FPS: 35.760170
Image processing time: 18637954, Total FPS: 35.760296
Image processing time: 18638000, Total FPS: 35.760212
Image processing time: 18637862, Total FPS: 35.760452
Image processing time: 18637966, Total FPS: 35.760326
Image processing time: 18637940, Total FPS: 35.760357
Image processing time: 18637834, Total FPS: 35.760574
Image processing time: 18637862, Total FPS: 35.760502
Image processing time: 18637966, Total FPS: 35.760262
Image processing time: 18637918, Total FPS: 35.760422
Image processing time: 18637914, Total FPS: 35.760410
Image processing time: 18637916, Total FPS: 35.760365
Image processing time: 18637904, Total FPS: 35.760422
Image processing time: 18637946, Total FPS: 35.760384
Image processing time: 18637898, Total FPS: 35.760475
Image processing time: 18637988, Total FPS: 35.760239
Image processing time: 18637898, Total FPS: 35.760429
Image processing time: 18637918, Total FPS: 35.760395
Image processing time: 18637850, Total FPS: 35.760525
Image processing time: 18638020, Total FPS: 35.760307
Image processing time: 18637906, Total FPS: 35.760437

```

Figure 30.

```

zyng-uboot> ARMCPU0: place 0xb8000000 at start of MBO vectors

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* Signal Processing Dept. *
* UTIA AV CR, v.v.i. *
* Toshiba Sensor In IMAGEON *
* [[Sobel edge detection]] *
* Full HD HDMI Out IMAGEON *
* C:/s/t20c1tml/hio *
* MicroBlaze 8xSIMD EdkDSP *
*****

IIC IMAGEON Initialization ... OK
HDMIO Initialization ... OK
Initialize Timing Controller ... 1920x1080p60 OK
Initialize VDMA ... Common Init ... TX Init ... OK
RX Init ... OK
TCM3232PB Init ... Chip ID: 0x0854 OK
Running sobel ....
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
  PARKPTR = 0x00000000
-----
  S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
  S2MM_DMASR = 0x00014810
  S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
  S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
  S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
  S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
  S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
  S2MM_VSIZE = 0x00000438
-----
  MM2S_DMACR = 0x0001008B
  MM2S_DMASR = 0x00011000
  MM2S_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
  MM2S_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
  MM2S_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
  MM2S_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
  MM2S_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
  MM2S_VSIZE = 0x00000438
-----
  S2MM_HSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
  S2MM_VSIZE_STATUS= 0x00000000
-----
AXI_VDMA - Checking Error Flags
S2MM_DMASR - ErrIrq
S2MM_DMASR - SOFLateErr
S2MM_DMASR - DMAIntErr
AXI_VDMA - Clearing Error Flags
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
  PARKPTR = 0x03020000
-----
  S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
  S2MM_DMASR = 0x00011000
  S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
  S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
  S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
  S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
  S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
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AXI_VDMA - Checking Error Flags
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AXI_VDMA - Clearing Error Flags
AXI_VDMA - Partial Register Dump (uBaseAddr = 0x43000000):
  PARKPTR = 0x03020000
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  S2MM_DMACR = 0x000100CB
  S2MM_DMASR = 0x00011000
  S2MM_STRD_FRMDLY = 0x00001000
  S2MM_START_ADDR0 = 0x20000000
  S2MM_START_ADDR1 = 0x20800000
  S2MM_START_ADDR2 = 0x21000000
  S2MM_HSIZE = 0x00000F00
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Parking started
Image processing time: 0, Total FPS: 0.019081
Image processing time: 18642698, Total FPS: 35.750568
Image processing time: 18638366, Total FPS: 35.759415
Image processing time: 18638128, Total FPS: 35.759941
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Image processing time: 18637898, Total FPS: 35.760475
Image processing time: 18637988, Total FPS: 35.760239
Image processing time: 18637898, Total FPS: 35.760429
Image processing time: 18637918, Total FPS: 35.760395
Image processing time: 18637850, Total FPS: 35.760525
Image processing time: 18638020, Total FPS: 35.760307
Image processing time: 18637906, Total FPS: 35.760437

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Figure 30: Arm is running. It indicates the number of frames per second.

The MicroBlaze processor executes in parallel program from DDR3 and communicated firmware and data to the (8xSIMD) EdkDSP floating point accelerator.

It is testing basic floating point operations and compares EdkDSP results with MicroBlaze floating point results.

In next stage it programs EdkDSP to perform FIT filter and LMS adaptive filter.

The performance of the combination of MicroBlaze with EdkDSP accelerator is measured by HW timer instantiated as Microblaze AXI-Lite IP core. See Figure 31.

```
COM1 - PuTTY

Initialize TmrCtr for axi_timer_0...

MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Write firmware ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Capabilities1 = 13ffff
MB0 : (HW FP unit ) Far-end signal ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) FIR room response ... 923 MFLOPs
MB0 : (HW FP unit ) Add near-end signal ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) LMS Identification ... 603 MFLOPs
MB0 : (HW FP unit ) LMS Identification ... 2 MFLOPs
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) OK

MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Write firmware ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Capabilities1 = 13ffff
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VZ2A 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VB2A 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VZ2B 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VA2B 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VADD 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VADD_BZ2A 'worker1' .. OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VADD_AZ2B 'worker1' .. OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VSUB 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VSUB_BZ2A 'worker1' .. OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VSUB_AZ2B 'worker1' .. OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VMULT 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VMULT_BZ2A 'worker1' . OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VMULT_AZ2B 'worker1' . OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VPROD 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VMAC 'worker1' ..... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VMSUBAC 'worker1' .... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VPROD_S8 'worker1' ... OK
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) VDIV 'worker1' ..... OK

MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Write firmware ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) Capabilities1 = 13ffff
MB0 : (HW FP unit ) Far-end signal ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) FIR room response ... 922 MFLOPs
MB0 : (HW FP unit ) Add near-end signal ...
MB0 : (EdkDSP 8xSIMD) LMS Identification ... 603 MFLOPs
```

Figure 31: Microblaze is running. It indicates MFLOPs.

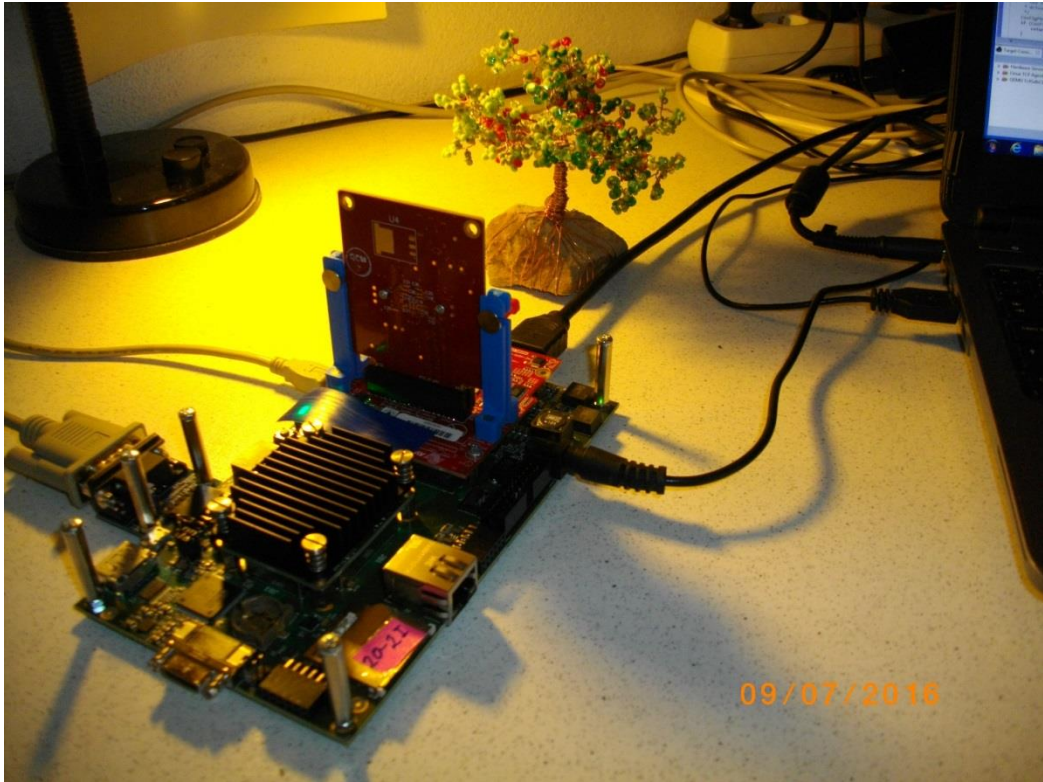


Figure 32: Accelerated edge detection Toshiba sensor and Zynq with EdkDSP.

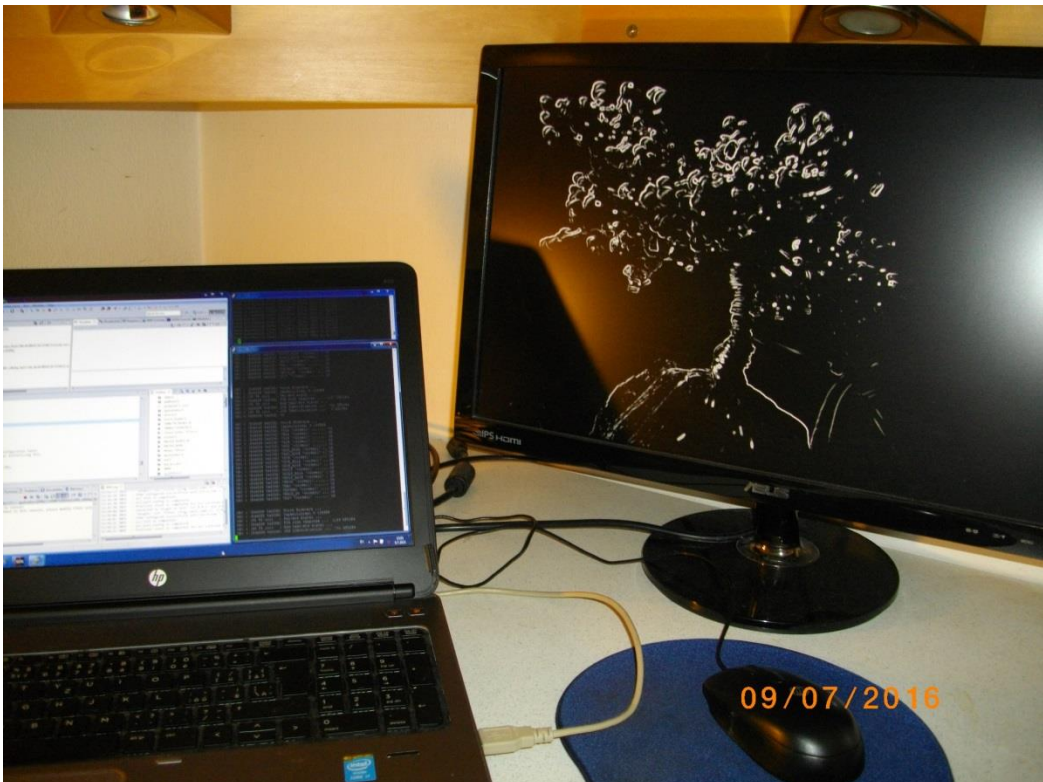


Figure 33: Edge detection (Sobel filter) output on Full HD monitor.

- All evaluation demos can be also compiled into release versions with optimisation set to -O2 or -O3. These optimisations can be set for Arm and for MicroBlaze.
- Demo **sh01_rows_fixed_100** works on complete frame with single HW accelerator data path.
- Demo **sh01_rows_resize_25_to_100** works with identical HW. But SW scales dynamically the number of lines to be processed. This is scaling from $\frac{1}{4}$ of frame to the complete frame. Part of the frame which is not processed is automatically propagating the input video signal via the cyclic structure of 8 video frame buffers. The HW data movers are instructed about the number of lines to be processed. SW is writing this information to an AXI-lite configuration register of the data mover IP core.
- Demos **sh02_rows_fixed_100** and **sh02_rows_resize_25_to_100** work with 2 data paths.
- Demos **sh03_rows_fixed_100** and **sh03_rows_resize_25_to_100** work with 3 data paths.
- Demos **md01_rows_fixed_100** works with one HW video processing chain with fixed set of processed lines.

2.4 EdkDSP C compiler

This section describes how to use the UTIA EdkDSP C compiler. It cross-compiles (on PC) simple C programs for the PicoBlaze6 controller. This controller acts as programmable finite state machine in the (8xSIMD) EdkDSP accelerator. It is setting the wide instructions for the 8xSIMD floating point data path of the EdkDSP accelerator.

The evaluation package includes also precompiled firmware files. These files can be used without the need to install the EdkDSP C compiler to your PC.

The UTIA EdkDSP C compiler is included as Ubuntu binaries. The “VMware player” software with compatible Ubuntu image is needed to run the UTIA EdkDSP C compiler on Windows 7 PC.

The Ubuntu image used in UTIA needs two DVD (8GB) for installation. That is why it is not included as part of the evaluation package. If you would need this image, write an email request to kadlec@utia.cas.cz to get these two DVD with correct Ubuntu image from UTIA (free of charge).

Install VMware Workstation 12 Player [9] on Win 7 64 bit PC.

Open the VMware Workstation 12 Player and select the “**Ubuntu_EdkDSP**” image. The Ubuntu will start.

Login as:

User: **devel**

Pswd: **devuser**

The PC directory **C:\VM_07** needs to be shared by Windows 7 with Ubuntu. In Windows 7, set the directory **C:\VM_07** and its subdirectories as shared with the **__vmware_user__** for Read and Write.

In Ubuntu, open terminal and mount the PC directory **C:\VM_07** to Ubuntu by typing:

```
cd bin
samba_07.sh
```

The Windows 7 **C:\VM_07** directory is mounted to the Ubuntu OS as: **/mnt/cdrive**

In Ubuntu terminal, change the directory to:

```
/mnt/cdrive/t20c1tm1/edkdsp
```

The EdkDSP C compiler utilities have to be on the Ubuntu PATH. This is done by sourcing the **settings.sh** script in this directory. Type in Ubuntu terminal:

```
source settings.sh
```

In Ubuntu terminal, change the directory to the example directory: **cd a**

```
/mnt/cdrive/t20c1tm1/edkdsp/a$
```

Provided C source code examples can be compiled by script **ca_fp11.sh** with parameter **a**. Type in the Ubuntu terminal:

```
ca_fp11.sh a
```

This will compile and assemble four C firmware programs to header files with the firmware binary code for the EdkDSP accelerator:

a_fp1101p0.c is compiled to **fill_FA1101P0_program_store.h**

a_fp1101p1.c is compiled to **fill_FA1101P1_program_store.h**

a_fp1124p0.c is compiled to **fill_FA1124P0_program_store.h**

a_fp1124p1.c is compiled to **fill_FA1124P0_program_store.h**

To use the compiled headers in the SDK project, copy and paste

```
edkdsp/a/ fill_FA1101P0_program_store.h
```

```
edkdsp/a/ fill_FA1101P1_program_store.h
```

```
edkdsp/a/ fill_FA1124P0_program_store.h
```

```
edkdsp/a/ fill_FA1124P0_program_store.h
```

to the SDK project directory (in case of **sh01_edkdsp_fp12_1x8_all**):

```
C:\VM_07\t20c1tm1\sh01_edkdsp_fp12_1x8_all\src
```

Recompile the MicroBlaze project “**sh01_edkdsp_fp12_1x8_all**”. The compiled firmware for the (8xSIMD) EdkDSP will be used by the MicroBlaze C code of the demo as data for the runtime (re)configurations of the (8xSIMD) EdkDSP accelerator PicoBlaze6 controller.

The change of firmware is demonstrated by the runtime change of firmware for computation of FIR and LMS filters in the EdkDSP accelerator.

3. Conclusions

This application note documents following general observations and conclusions:

- Programmable logic part of the Zynq xc7z020-2l device is capable implement in parallel the UTIA (8xSIMD) EdkDSP floating point accelerator together with the Full HF video processing chain for the Toshiba color sensor.
- The total power consumption for the HW accelerated video processing in Full HD (measured at the 12V DC power supply) is up to 8.18 W for HW accelerated edge detection with MB and EdkDSP computing FIR filter in floating point. This is relatively high power for passive cooling in small space even if the dedicated passive heat sink is used.
- The total power consumption for the SW solution without HLS Video IPs (measured at the 12V DC power supply) is up to 7.90 W for SW edge detection with MB and EdkDSP computing FIR filter in floating point. This is also relatively high power for passive cooling.
- The energy per pixel savings for the complete system are significantly reduced for the HW accelerated designs with HLS IP accelerators. Energy per pixel reduction up to 26 x can be reached, for chained HLS IP cores (motion detection).
- Main source of the energy per pixel saving is the increased frame rate of the video processing.
- The combination of 32bit MicroBlaze with the (8xSIMD) EdkDSP floating point accelerator brings additional capability to compute in floating point (single precision) with performance 0.925 GFLOP/s (in case of the FIR filter) at the expense of relatively moderate increase of total power consumption:
 - 7.76 W without MicroBlaze + (8xSIMD) EdkDSP - 0 GFLOP/s
 - 8.18 W with MicroBlaze + (8xSIMD) EdkDSP - 0.925 GFLOP/s (this is + 420 mW)
- Instantiation of MicroBlaze + (8xSIMD) EdkDSP takes significant part of Zynq PL resources. This limits the possibilities for design of video systems with increased number of parallel video processing chains.
- Bill of material for the system [1]-[6] is €980,00.
- The Toshiba Industrial 1080P60 Camera Module is connected to the FMC card by connector. This open space for possible replacement of the Toshiba module by Python 1300 colour video sensor module (provided by Avnet) with resolution 1280x1024p60. Designs included in this evaluation package and the corresponding SW projects are designs only for support Toshiba module.

This application note documents how designs debugged and developed in the high level SDSoc 2015.4 environment can be exported to the end-user in form of SDK 2015.4 projects.

Enclosed SDK 2015.4 projects provide space for the end-user to make some SW adaptations and customisations of the final application without the need to disclose to the end-user complete low level details about used IP cores Vivado 2015.4 project and the SDK 2015.4 board support package.

4. References

- [1] TE0720-03-1CF; Part: XA7Z020-1CLG484C; 1 GByte DDR; Price: €219,00.
<https://shop.trenz-electronic.de/de/TE0720-03-1CF-Xilinx-Zynq-module-XC7Z020-1CLG484C-com.-temp.-range-1-Gbyte>
- [2] Heatsink for TE0720, spring-loaded embedded; Price: €19.00.
<https://shop.trenz-electronic.de/en/26922-Heatsink-for-TE0720-spring-loaded-embedded?c=38>
- [3] TE0701-05 Carrier Board for Trenz Electronic 7 Series; Price: €249.00.
<https://shop.trenz-electronic.de/en/TE0701-05-Carrier-Board-for-Trenz-Electronic-7-Series>
- [4] AES-FMC-HDMI-CAM-G Price: \$250.00.
<http://products.avnet.com/shop/en/ema/3074457345623664802>
- [5] Toshiba Industrial 1080P60 Camera Module; Price \$229.00.
http://zedboard.org/sites/default/files/product_briefs/PB-AES-CAM-TOSH-1080P-G-v5-web.pdf
- [6] PmodRS232: Serial converter & interface; Price €13.54.
<https://shop.trenz-electronic.de/de/23331-PmodRS232-Serial-converter-und-interface?c=215>
- [7] VMware Workstation Player Documentation
https://www.vmware.com/support/pubs/player_pubs.html

5. Evaluation license

The **evaluation version of the package** can be downloaded from UTIA www pages free of charge for evaluation of EdkDSP accelerator with HW accelerated edge detection and motion detection algorithms for the Toshiba Full HD video sensor [5] on TE0720-03-1CF module [1] located on TE0701-05 carrier [3] with FMC card [4].

The evaluation package includes SDK 2015.4 SW projects with C source code for Arm Cortex A9 processor (32bit) in standalone mode, C source code for MicroBlaze and C source code for the EdkDSP Picoblaze6 controller.

The evaluation package includes these static libraries for Arm Cortex A9 processor (32bit) for standalone mode:

libfmc_imageon.a	SDK 2015.4 UTIA static library with interface functions for video IP cores
libwal.a	SDK 2015.4 UTIA static library with EdkDSP API for MicroBlaze
libsh01.a	SDSoC 2015.4 static library for HW accelerator in project sh01
libsh02.a	SDSoC 2015.4 static library for HW accelerator in project sh02
libsh03.a	SDSoC 2015.4 static library for HW accelerator in project sh03
libmd01.a	SDSoC 2015.4 static library for HW accelerator in project md01
libmd02.a	SDSoC 2015.4 static library for HW accelerator in project md02

These libraries have no time restriction. Source code of these libraries is not provided in this evaluation package.

The UTIA (8xSIMD) EdkDSP accelerators are compiled with HW limit on number of vector operations. The termination of the nonexclusive, non-transferable evaluation license is reported in advance by the demonstrator on the terminal.

The evaluation package includes SDK 2015.4 SW projects with source code for MicroBlaze processor and ARM processor. SW projects support the family of UTIA (8xSIMD) EdkDSP accelerators for the Trenz TE0720-03-1Q Xilinx Zynq module [1] on Trenz TE701-05 Carrier Board board [3].

The evaluation package includes these binary applications for Ubuntu:

edkdsppp	EdkDSP C pre-processor binary for Ubuntu in VMware Workstation 12 Player.
edkdspcc	EdkDSP C compiler binary for Ubuntu in VMware Workstation 12 Player.
edkdspsasm	EdkDSP ASM compiler binary for Ubuntu in VMware Workstation 12 Player.

These binary applications have no time restriction. The user of the evaluation package has nonexclusive, non-transferable license from UTIA to use these utilities for compilation of the firmware for the Xilinx PicoBlaze6 processor inside of the UTIA EdkDSP accelerators in precompiled designs. The source code of these compilers is owned by UTIA and it is not provided in the evaluation package.

The evaluation package includes demonstration firmware in C source code for the Xilinx PicoBlaze6 processor for the family of UTIA EdkDSP accelerators for the Xilinx TE0720-03-1CF module on TE0701-05 carrier board.

The evaluation package also includes compiled versions of this firmware in form of header files .h. These compiled firmware files can be used for initial test of the UTIA EdkDSP accelerators on the Xilinx TE0720-03-1CF module on TE0701-05 carrier board without the need to install the UTIA compiler binaries and the Ubuntu image under the VMware Workstation 12 Player [7]. On email request to kadlec@utia.cas.cz , UTIA will send DVD with the Ubuntu image for the VMware Workstation 12 Player [7] free of charge.

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