



## Extending Embedded System into PL

**Zynq**  
**Vivado 2013.4 Version**

# Objectives

## ➤ After completing this module, you will be able to:

- Identify the IP supplied as part of Vivado
- Describe how to add hardware to an existing Vivado project
- Explain how IP is added to extend processing system functionality

# Outline

- ***IP Catalog***
- **IP directory**
- **IP device files**
- **GP Interfaces**
- **Adding IP to extend PS into PL**
- **Bitstream generation**
- **Summary**

# The PS and the PL

## ➤ The Zynq-7000 AP SoC architecture consists of two major sections

### – PS: Processing system

- Dual ARM Cortex-A9 processor based
- Multiple peripherals
- Hard silicon core

### – **PL: Programmable logic**

- Shares the same 7 series programmable logic as
  - Artix™-based devices: Z-7010, Z-7015 and Z-7020 (high-range I/O banks only)
  - Kintex™-based devices: Z-7030 and Z-7045, and Z-7100 (mix of high-range and high-performance I/O banks)

## ➤ This sections focuses on the PL

# Communicating with PL

## ➤ Processing system master

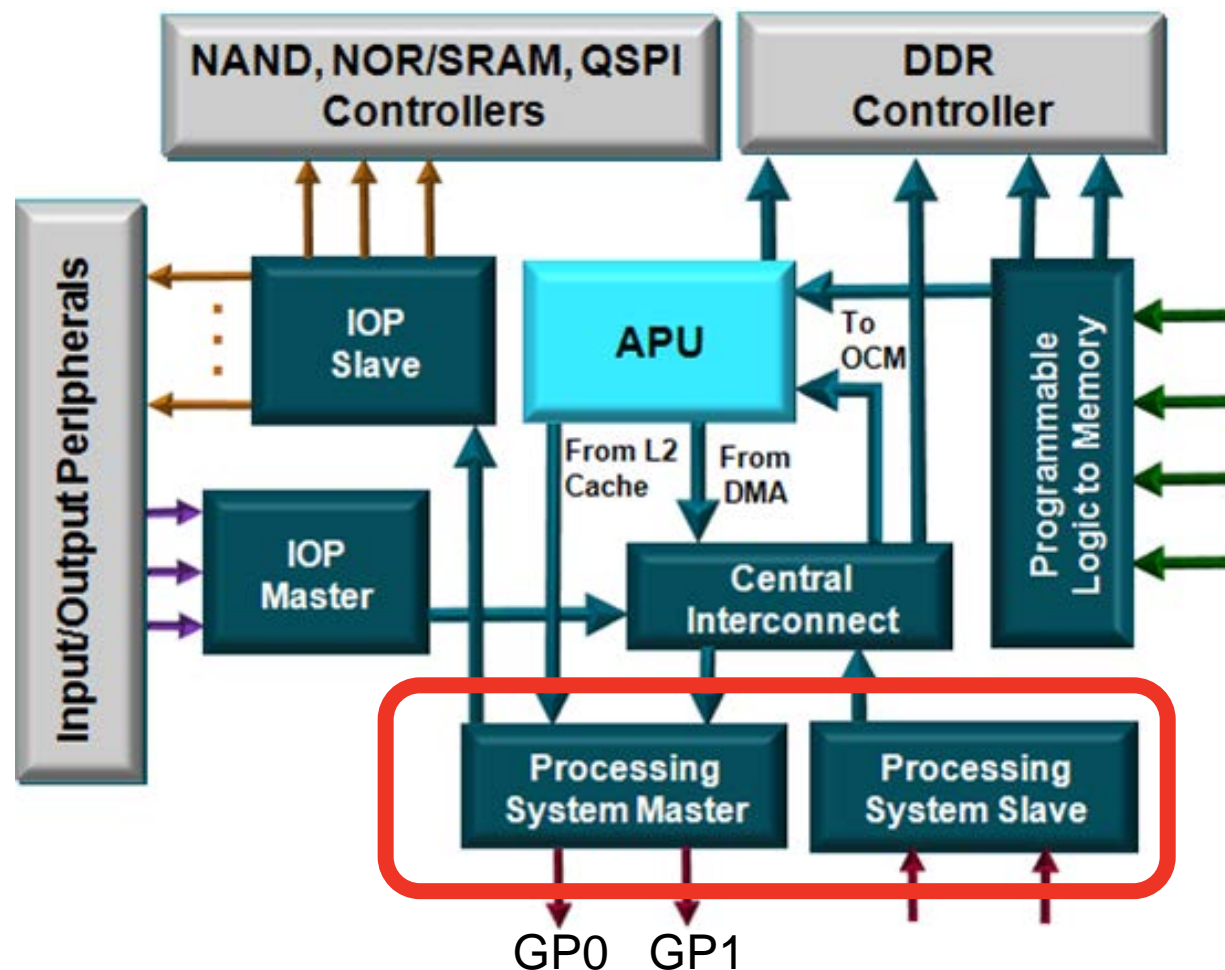
- Two ports from the processing system to programmable logic
- Connects the CPU block to common peripherals through the central interconnect

## ➤ Processing system slave

- Two ports from programmable logic to the processing system

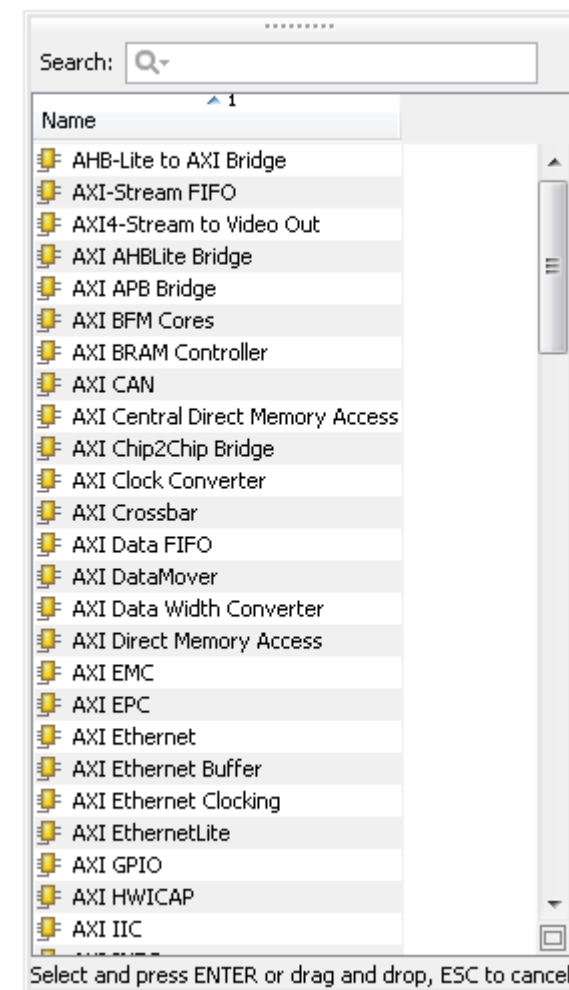
## ➤ Slave PL peripherals address range

- 4000\_0000 and 7FFF\_FFFF (connected to GP0) and
- 8000\_0000 and BFFF\_FFFF (connected to GP1)



# IP Catalog

- The IP Catalog contains a collection of IP that can be used to assemble the (embedded) system
- Supported by IPI
- Facilitates quick system construction
- Each IP block has its own configuration parameters
- Most of the IP is free, some require licenses
- Stored as source code in the install directory
  - Always synthesized with the latest tools
  - Some proprietary source code is encrypted
- Peripherals in the PS are always present and can be dynamically enabled or disabled through PS Configuration wizard



# IP Peripherals Included as Source (Free)

## ➤ Bus and bridge controllers

- AXI to AXI connector
- Local Memory Bus (LMB)
- AXI Chip to Chip
- AHB-Lite to AXI
- AXI4-Lite to APB
- AXI4 to AHB-Lite

## ➤ Debug cores

- Integrated Logic Analyzer

## ➤ DMA and Timers

- Watchdog, fixed interval

## ➤ Inter-processor communication

## ➤ External peripheral controller Memory and memory controller

## ➤ High-speed and low-speed communication peripherals

- AXI 10/100 Ethernet MAC controller
- Hard-core tri-mode Ethernet MAC
- AXI IIC
- AXI SPI
- AXI UART

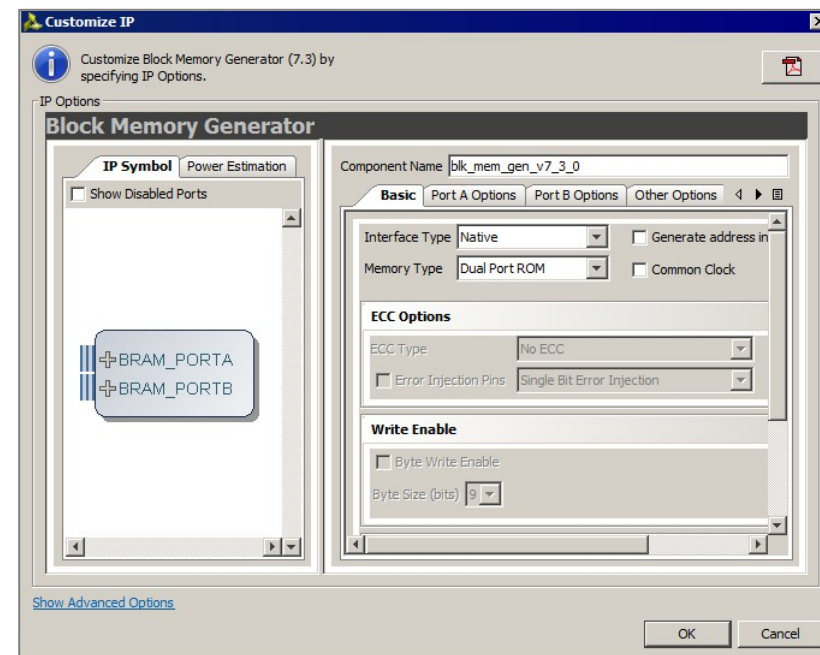
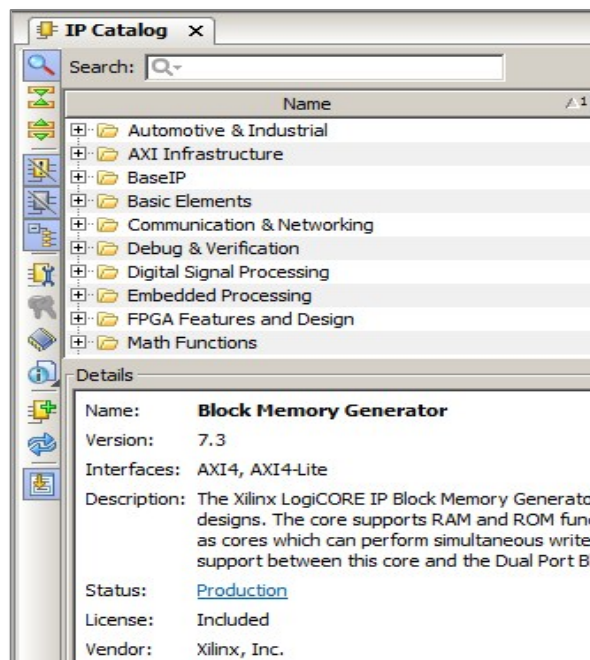
## ➤ Other cores

- System monitor
- Xilinx Analog-to-Digital Converter (XADC)
- Clock generator
- System reset module
- interrupt controller

# Vivado IP Catalog

## ➤ Integrated IP Support

- Instant access to IP customization
- Vivado IP GUI look and feel
- Support for Vivado synthesis and implementation
- Selectable IP output products
- Full Tcl support

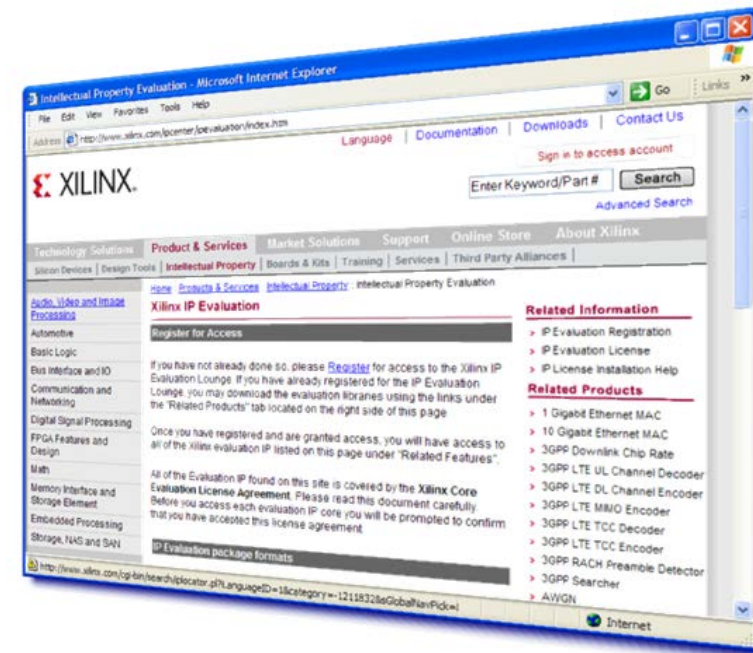




# IP Cores Included as Evaluation

- AXI CAN controller
- AXI USB2 device
- Video IP
- Telecoms/ Wireless IP

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Wireless			
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Embedded Processing			
AXI Peripheral			
Low Speed Peripheral			
AXI CAN	AXI4	Production	Purchase
Automotive & Industrial			
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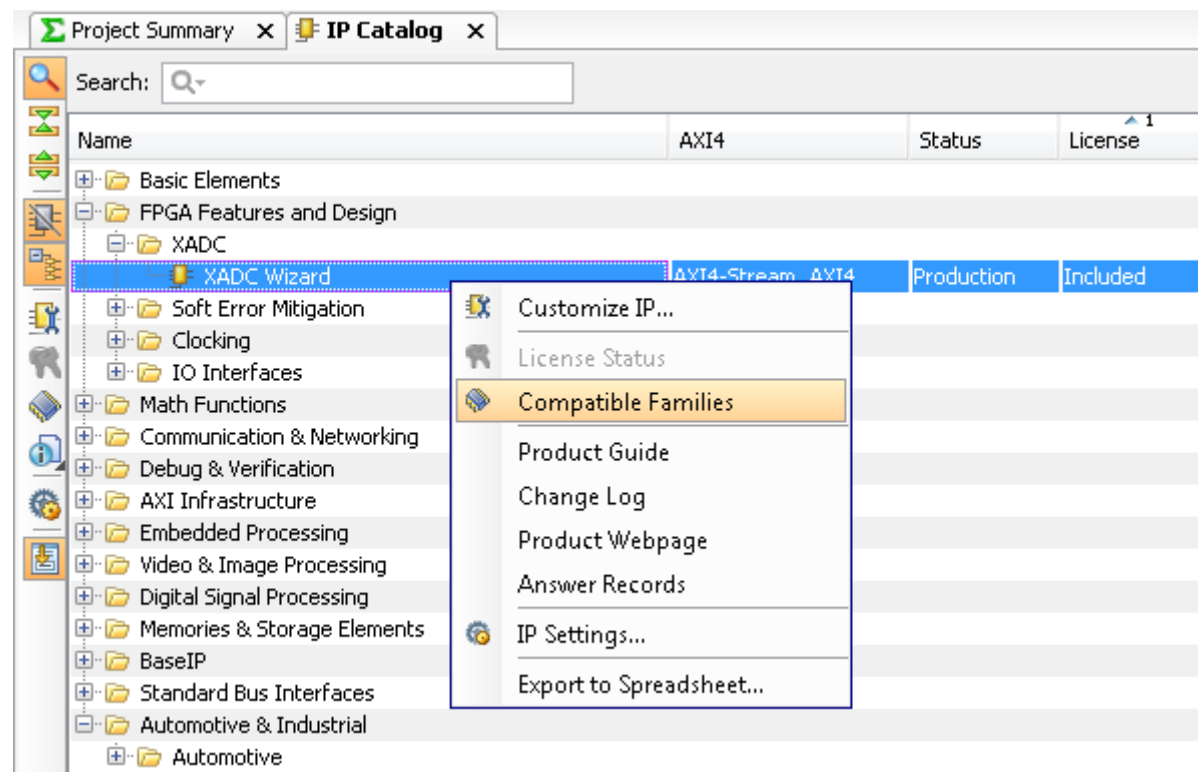
Xilinx developed, delivered, and supported Evaluation IP installs with a 90-day evaluation license

# IP Cores

## ➤ Right click to -

- Add/customize
- Determine compatibility
- Product Guide (datasheet) > Document Navigator
- Change Log
- Product Webpage
- Answer record

## ➤ Export complete IP Catalog to excel



# IP Core Information

Data sheet provided for each core (right-click on core in IP catalog to access)

- The size of each core is available in the data sheet
- For example, the axi\_timer\_v2\_00\_a data sheet contains the following table:

Table 2-2: Performance and Resource Utilization: Artix-7 FPGA (XC7A355TDIE) and Zynq-7000 Devices

Parameter Values		Device Resources		
Width of Timer/Counter	Enable Timer2	Slices	Flip-Flops	LUTs
8	False	49	53	96
16	False	61	69	120
32	False	84	101	181
8	True	50	74	123
16	True	74	106	161
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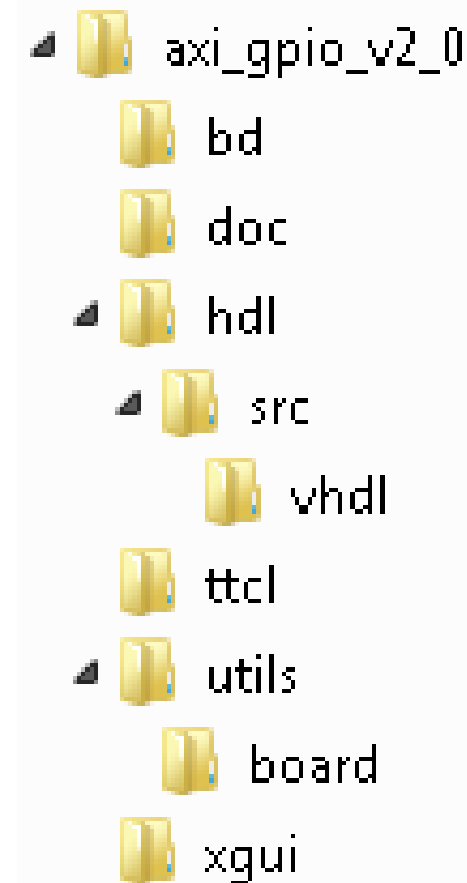
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# Peripheral Storage

User peripherals can be located in the project directory or a peripheral repository

## ➤ IP Core directory (located in the project directory)

- {component}.xml
- MyProcessorIPLib directory (user defined)
  - Repository Directory listed using  
**Project** → **Project Options** → **Device and Repository Search** tab
- %XILINX\_INSTALL%\Vivado\2013.X\data\ip



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# IP Core files

## ➤ component.xml

- XML format
- Top level folder
- Provides ports description, parameters and options for IP
- Links to source files

## ➤ xgui folder

- .tcl file for IPI GUI

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<spirit:component xmlns:xilinx="http://www.xilinx.com" xmlns:spirit="http://www.spiritconsort
  <spirit:vendor>xilinx.com</spirit:vendor>
  <spirit:library>ip</spirit:library>
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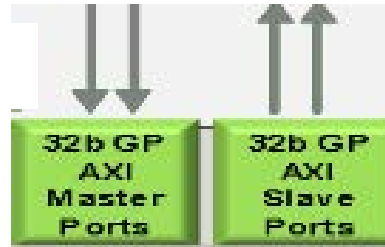
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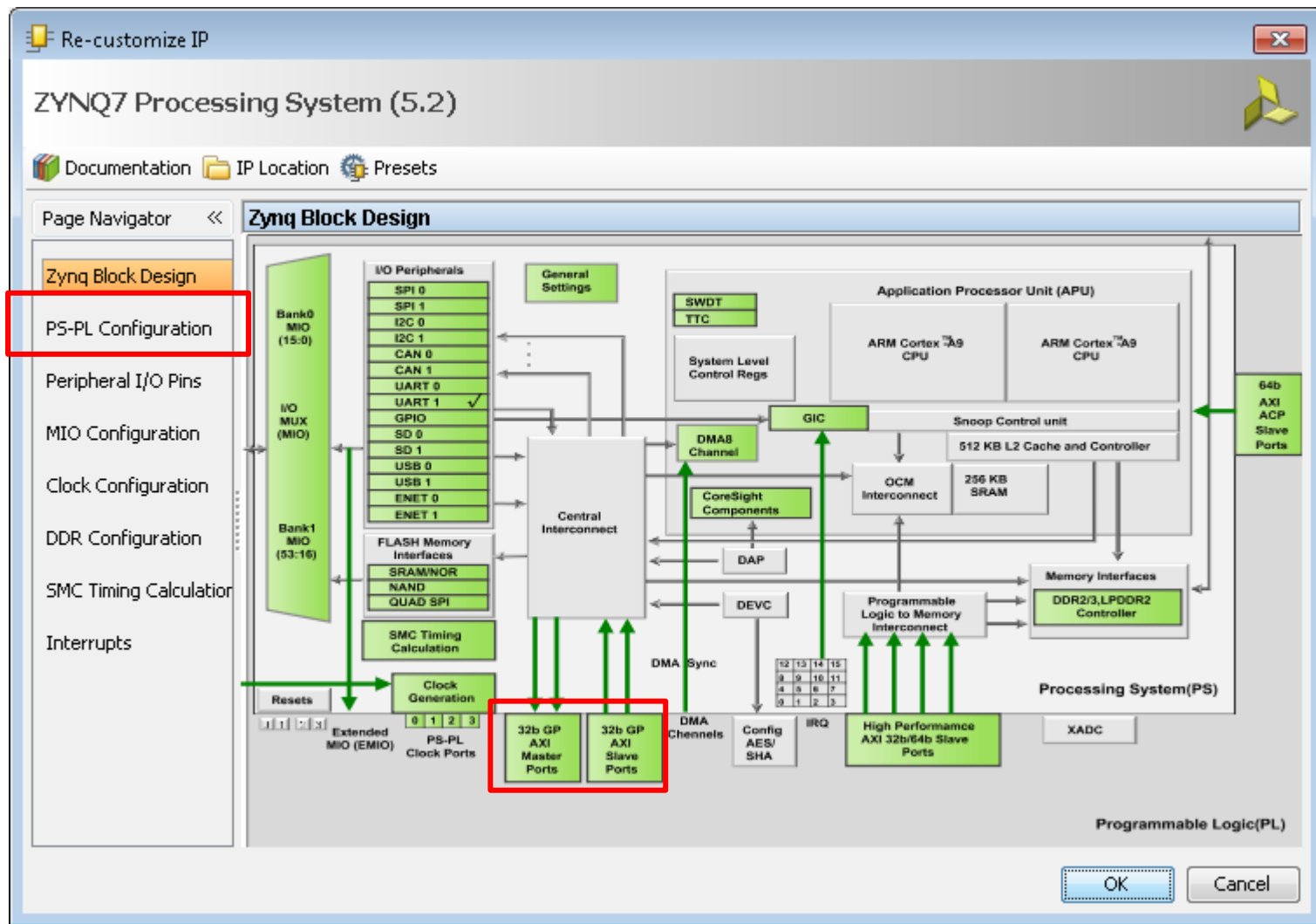
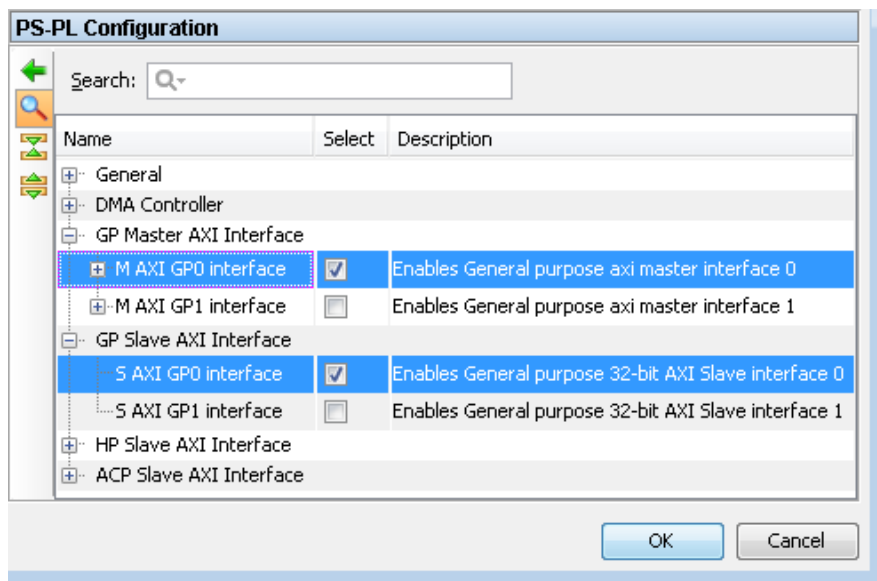
- By default, GP Slave and Master ports are disabled



- Enable GP Master and/or Slave ports depending on whether a slave or a master peripheral is going to be added in PL
- `axi_interconnect` block is required to connect IP to a port with different protocols
  - Automatically convert Protocols
  - Can be automatically added when using Block Automation in IPI

# Configuring GP Ports

➤ Click on the menu or green GP Blocks to configure

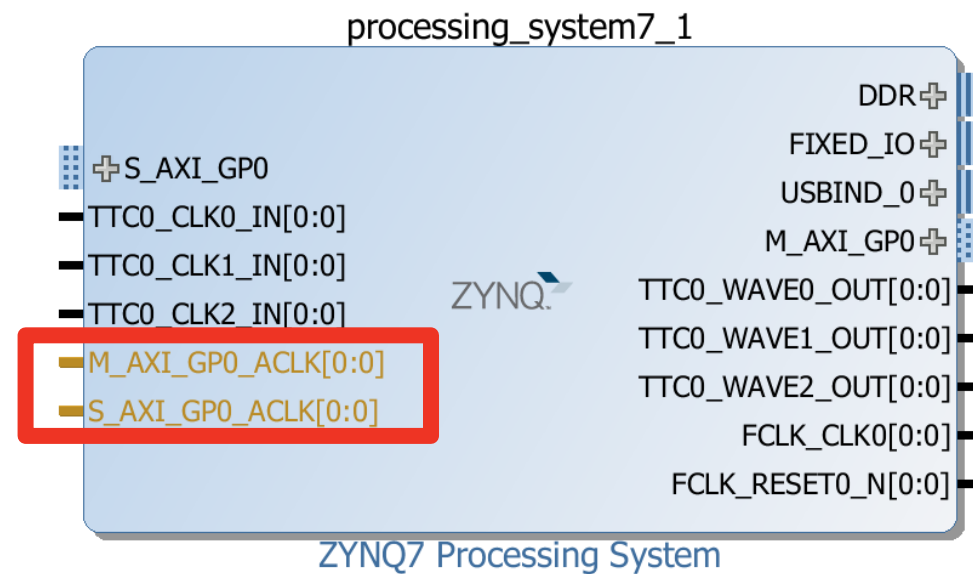


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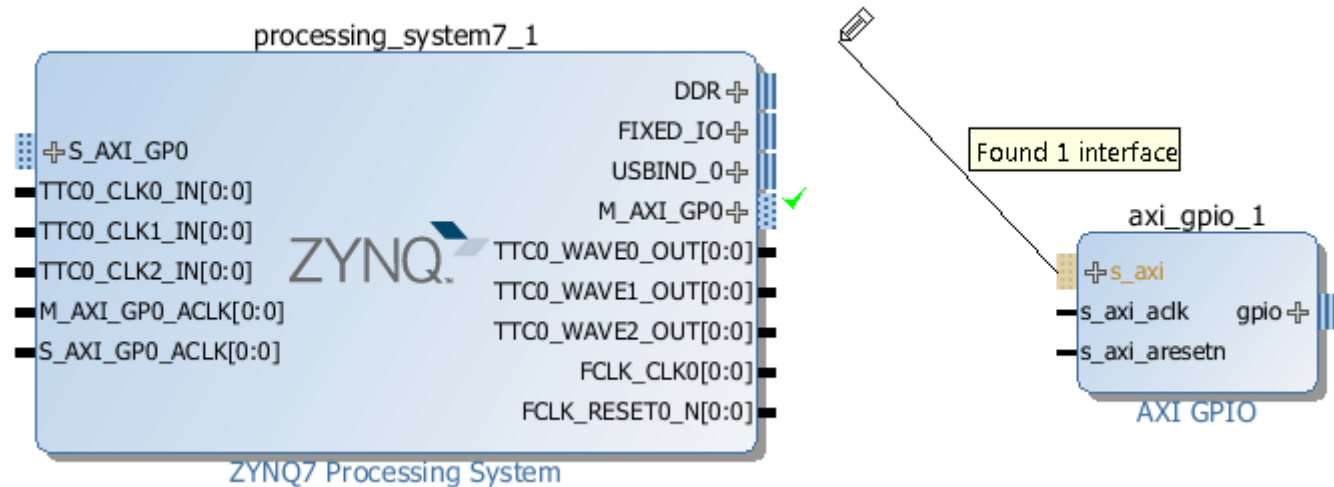
# Add IP in the PL

- **Configure GP ports from PS Customization GUI**
- **PS-PL Configuration**
  - E.g. Enable M\_AXI\_GP0/1 or S\_AXI\_GP0/1
- **Ports will then be available on Zynq Block Diagram**
- **Connect the added IP to the appropriate port**
- **Assign address to the added IP, if unmapped**
- **Configure the IP, if necessary**
- **Make external connections, if needed**
  - Add external ports/interfaces if the added IP is interacting with external devices



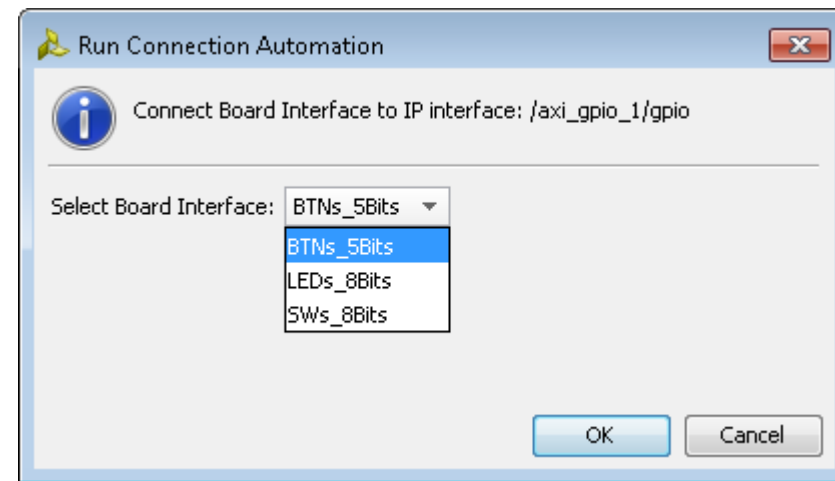
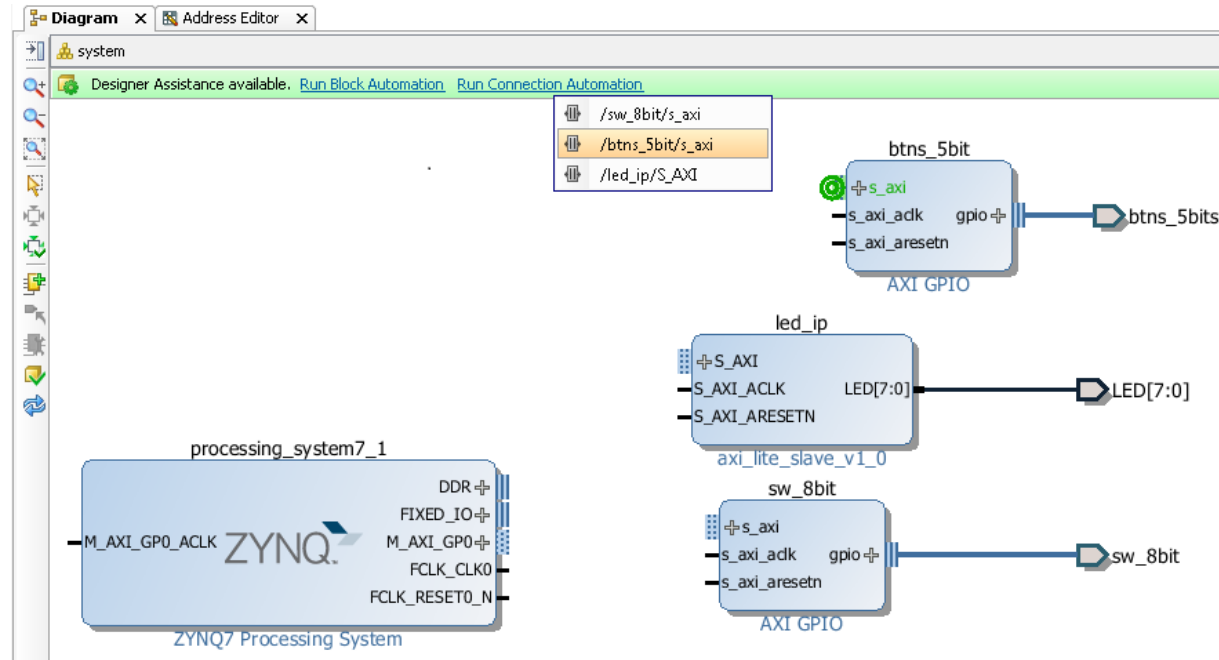
# Connecting IP

- Add IP from the IP Catalog
- Click and drag to find connections
- Valid connections Highlighted
- Designer Assistance, Connection automation
  - If Board Support available, IP can be connected to external pins
- Or manually create and connect (external) ports



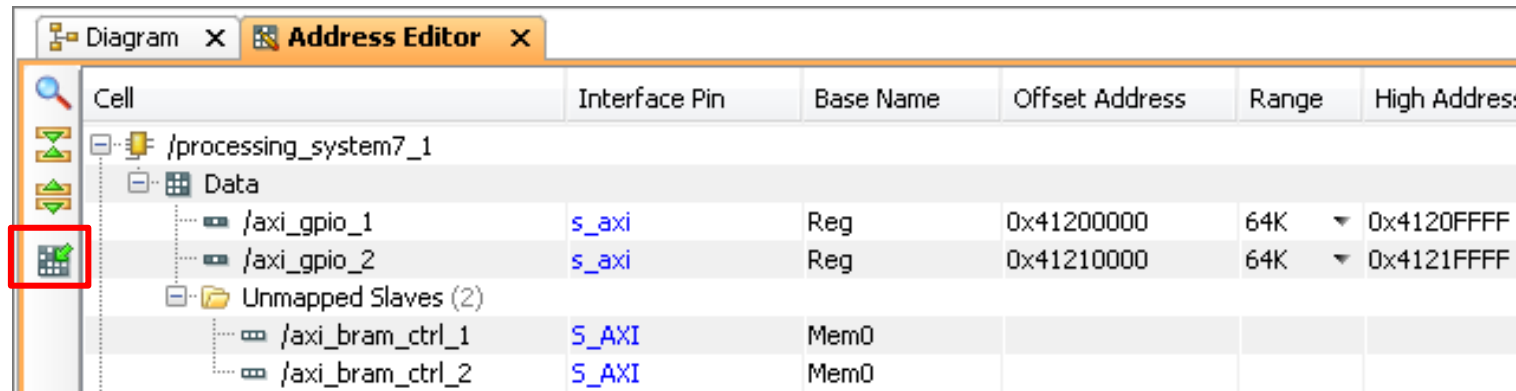
# Designer assistance; Block Automation, Connection Automation

- Block, Connection
- Can automatically connect IP blocks
- Automatically insert required blocks
- E.g. Add BRAM; Automation will insert and connect BRAM controller and Reset logic
- If Board Support is available, IP can automatically be connected to top level ports



# Assign Addresses

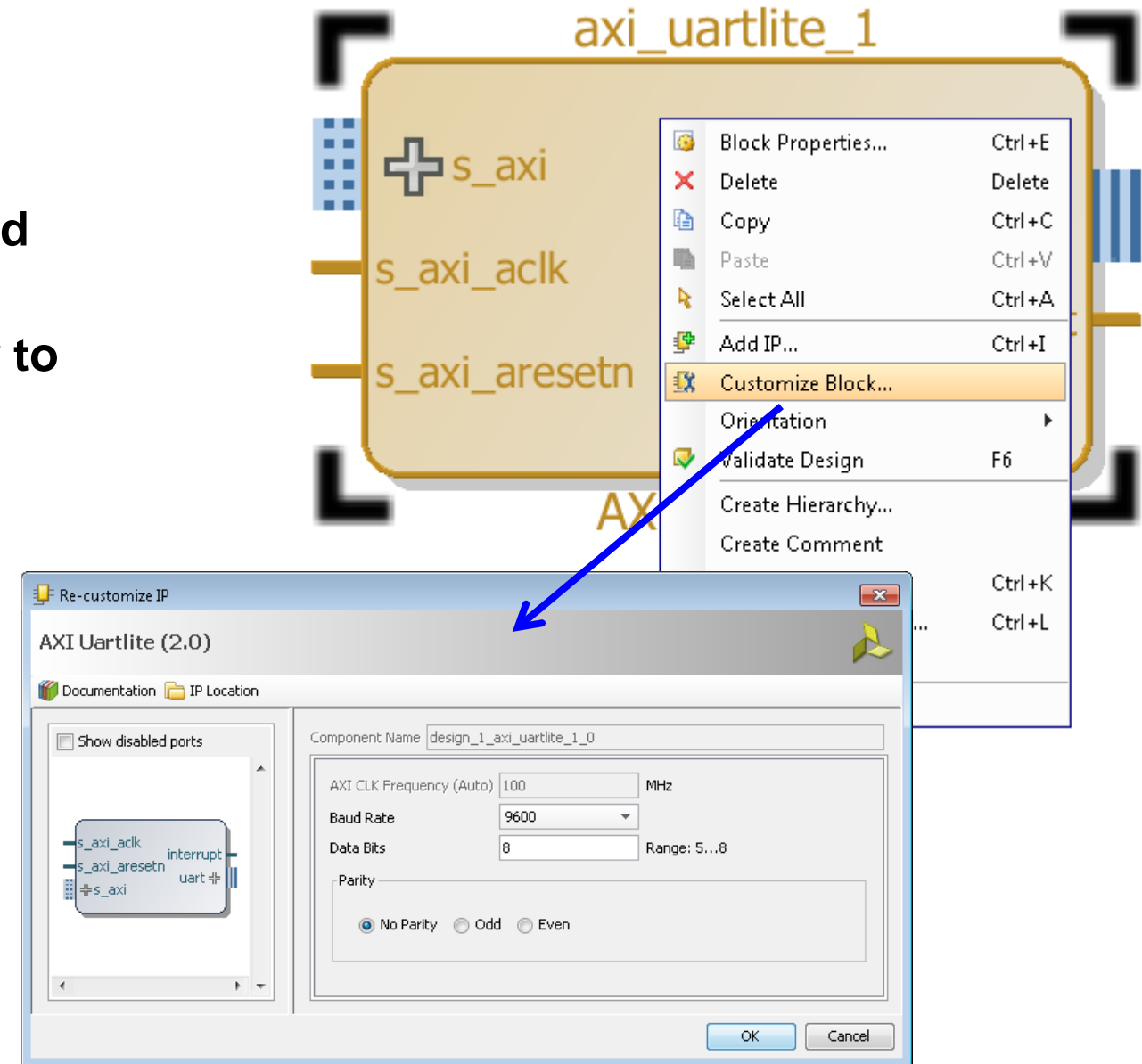
- Peripherals in the Zynq™ AP SoC PS have fixed addresses and do not appear in the address map when an IP is added to the system
- For PS peripherals Click on the Auto Assign Addresses button



- The address will be generated and show the generated addresses of the added IP
- The fixed addresses of the configured peripherals of the PS

# Parameterize IP Instances

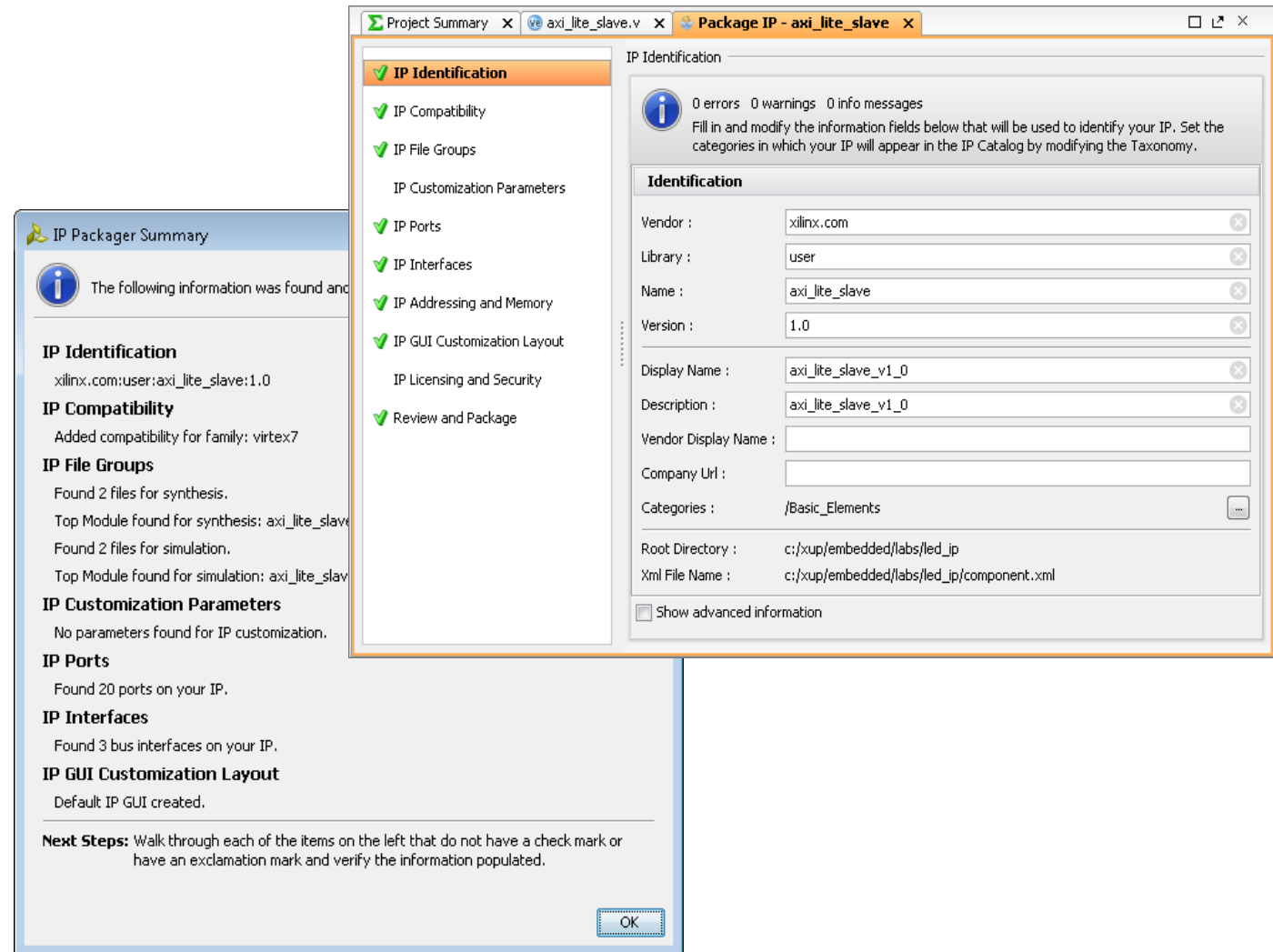
- Double-click or right click the instance and select Customize Block to open the configurable parameters dialog box (refer to the datasheet if needed)
- Default values are shown
  - Customize the parameters that you want





# Extending the System

- Import custom IP
- IP Packager
  - Packages into IP Integrator Format
- Specify repository (local/global)
- IP can then be used in IP Integrator
- More on IP Packager later



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# Bitstream Generation

- **After defining the system hardware, the next step is to create hardware netlists if the system hardware has logic in PL**
- **A HDL wrapper for the block diagram must be generated**
  - Additional logic can be added to the HDL, or the Processor system can be used as a sub block in a HDL design
- **The design and block diagram must be open before synthesise and implementation can be carried out**
- **If the system contains hardware in the PL, the bitstream must be generated**
- **The PL (FPGA) must be programmed before application can be downloaded and executed**

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# Summary

- **PS functionality can be extended by instantiating peripherals in PL**
- **Adding IP in PL involves**
  - Enabling interface(s) in PS
  - Selecting IP from the IP Catalog and configuring IP for desired functionality
  - Connecting the (PL) IP to the PS using IP Integrator
  - Assigning address
  - Connecting IP ports to ports of other peripherals and/or to external pins
- **HDL Wrapper is needed for IP Integrator Block**
- **Bitstream must be generated when PL has any IP**
- **The FPGA must be programmed with the generated hardware bitstream before an application can be run**