Micrium uC/Probe XMC Getting Started

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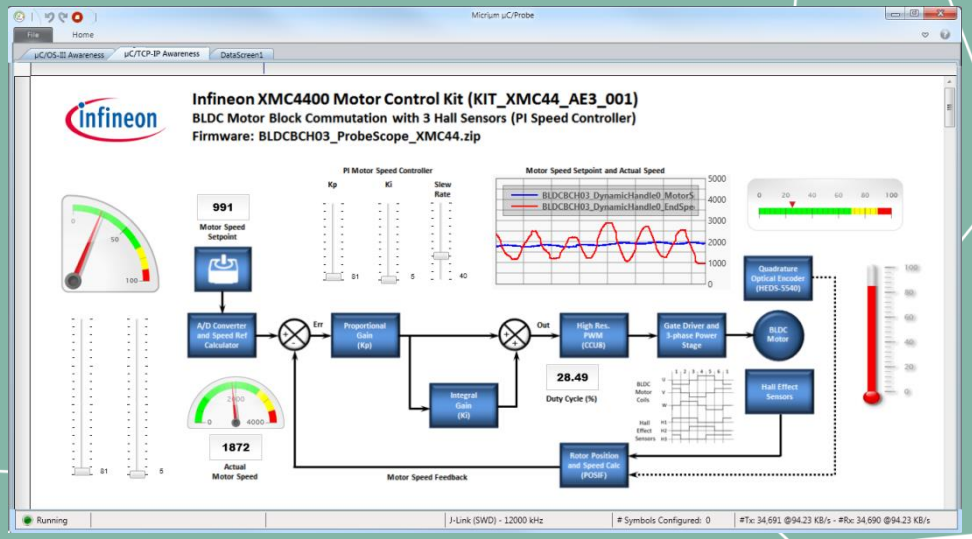

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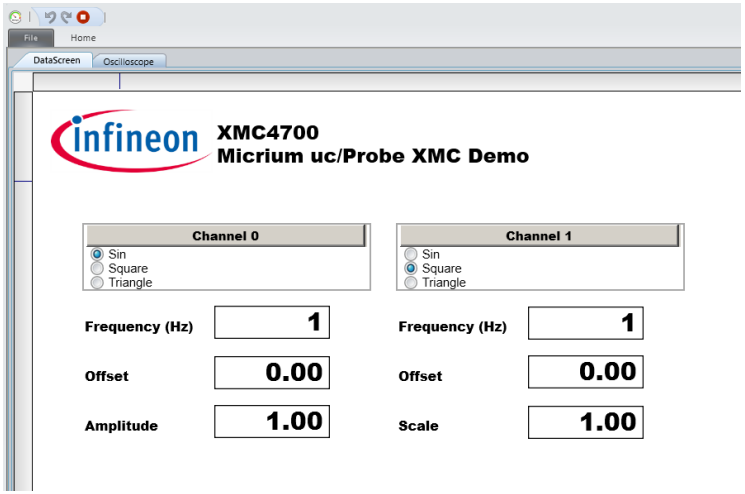
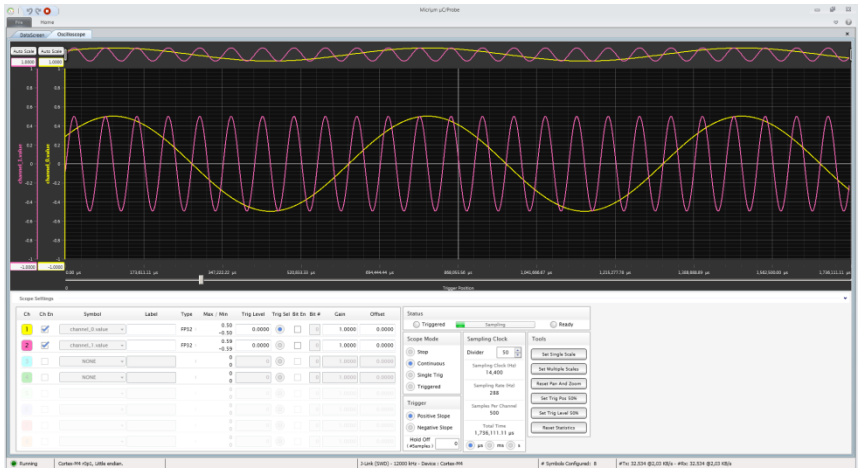
Objective of this tutorial

1. Program provided example application to your board
   - Using DAVE™ 4 integrated debugger
   - Using XMC™ Flasher tool
2. Control and monitor your application using the Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ dash board
3. Monitor variables using the Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ oscilloscope control





What we need to follow this tutorial?

- Software
  - To program the provided example to the target use either of:
    - **DAVE™ version 4**

      Development Platform for XMC™ Microcontrollers.

      Go to www.infineon.com/DAVE and download DAVE™ version 4
    - **XMC™ Flasher**

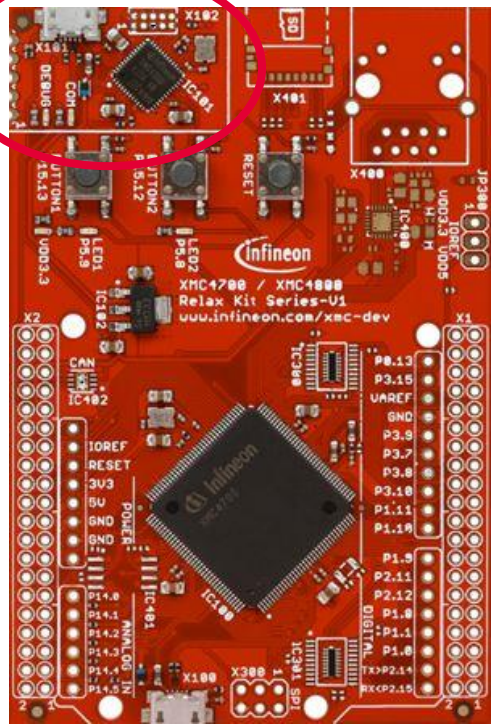
      Free of charge programming tool.

      Go to XMC Software Download and download XMC™ Flasher
  - **Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ version 4.0**

    Go to www.infineon.com/ucProbeXMC and download the latest version of Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™
  - Example application project for DAVE version 4 accompanying this document.

What we need to follow this tutorial?

- Hardware
  - Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ supports any of the Infineon XMC boards using the debugger interface.
  - In this tutorial XMC4700 Relax Kit is used featuring
    - XMC4700-F144 Microcontroller based on ARM® Cortex®-M4 @ 144MHz, 2MB Flash and 352KB RAM
    - On-Board Debugger (Segger J-Link)
    - Power over USB
    - ESD and reverse current protection
    - 2 x user button and 2 x user LED
    - Arduino hardware compatible 3.3V pinout
  - On board debugger is used
    - Connect the board to your PC using a micro USB cable.

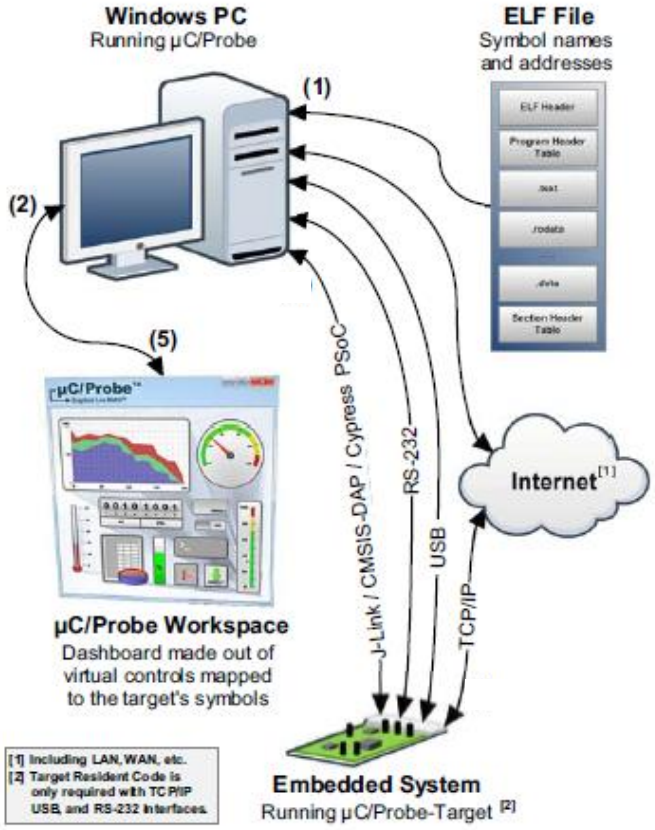


Introduction to Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™

- What is Micrium uC/Probe XMC?
  - uC/Probe XMC is a Windows based application that let you control and monitor a running embedded system.
  - Allows easy visual access to the internals of your application using the oscilloscope control, gauges, spreadsheets, LEDs and other widgets.
  - Allows generation of rich visually appealing user interfaces for your applications.
  - Can be used with any toolchain that can generate an ELF file
  - Can connect to the embedded system using SWD/JTAG, UART, Ethernet or USB.
    - SWD communication does not need any target firmware to set or retrieve the values of variables.
    - Other communication interfaces need a C library added to your application to respond to the requests from µC/Probe running on the Windows PC. Library can be obtained at µC/Probe Embedded Target Code.

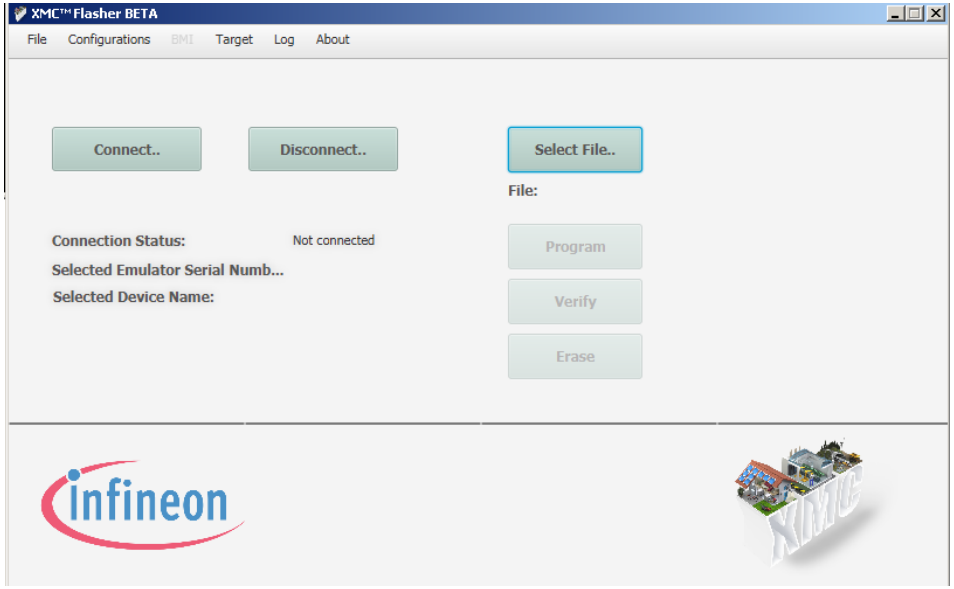
Introduction to Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™

- How it works?
  1. Load ELF file
     - uC/Probe™ XMC™ obtains the address of the variables from application ELF file.
  2. Configure the communication interface
  3. Design your dash board by dragging and dropping widgets
  4. Associate a variable to each of the widgets
  5. Start uC/Probe™ XMC™
     - uC/Probe makes requests to read the value of all variables used in the dashboard



Program the application to your target Using XMC™ Flasher

1. Connect your board to the PC using a micro USB cable
2. Start XMC™ Flasher
3. Select the hex file
   - Click on *File* in the menu bar
   - Browse to the location of your file



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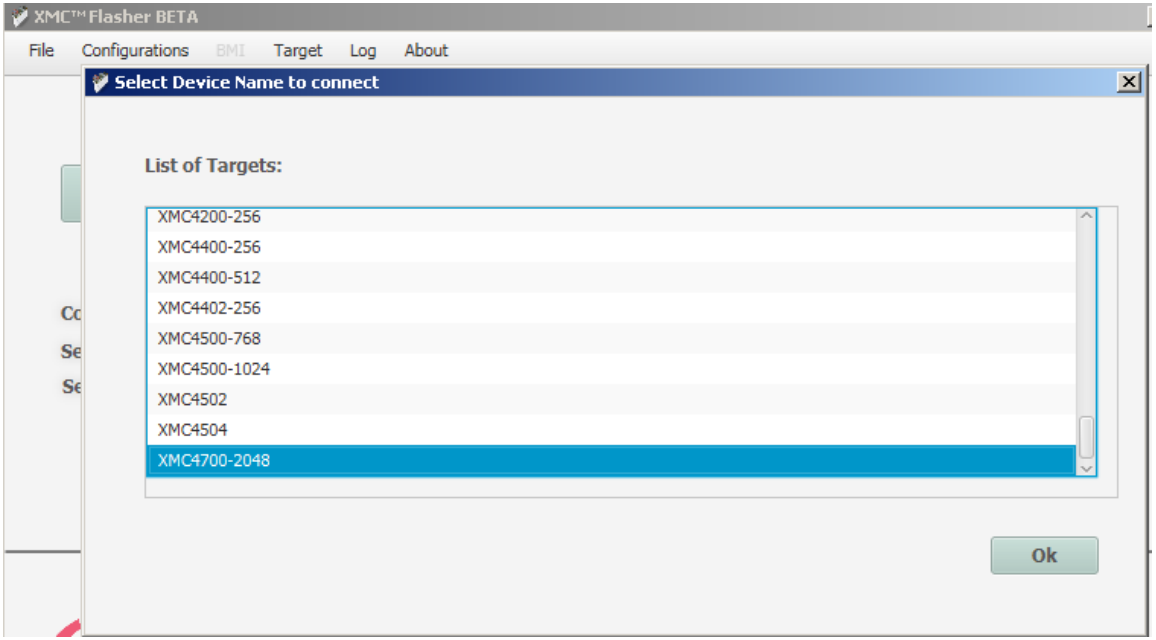
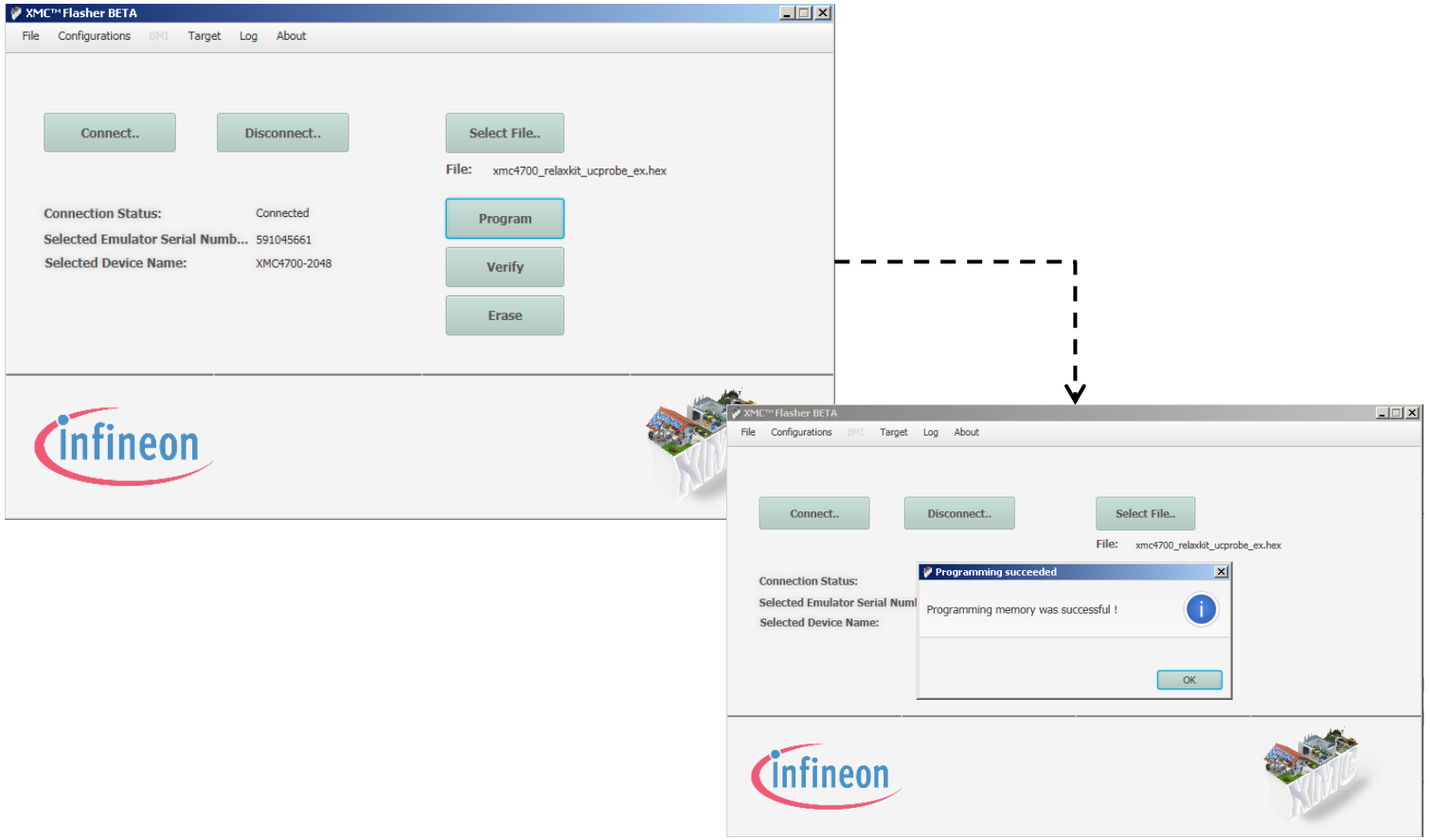
4. Connect to your device
   - Click on *Connect…*
   - Select your device



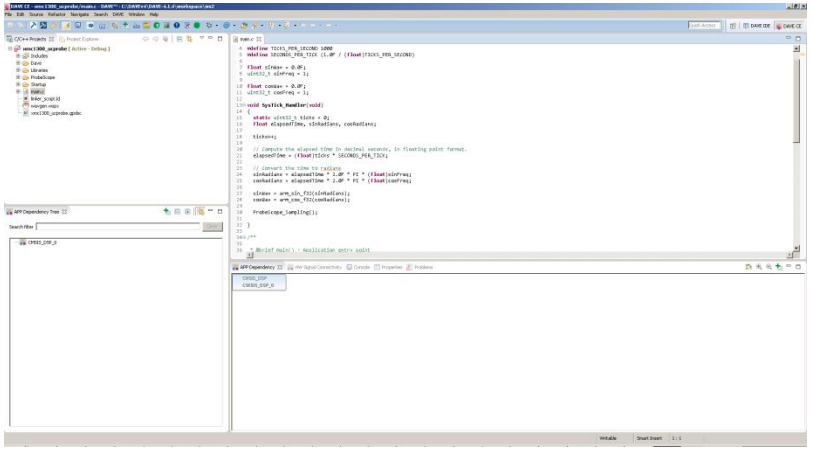
Program the application to your target Using XMC™ Flasher

5. Click on Program…



Program the application to your target Using DAVE™ version 4

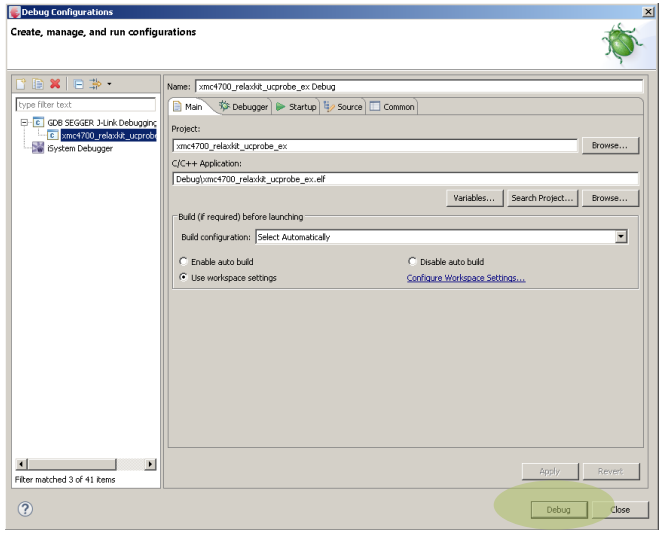
1. Start DAVE™ version 4
2. Import the example project
   - Click on File > Import...
   - Select Infineon > DAVE Project.
   - Click on Next
   - Select Archive File.
   - Click on Browse
   - Browse to the location of the example project and select the zip file
   - Click on Finish
3. Compile the project
   - Click on Rebuild Active Project button in the tool bar



Program the application to your target Using DAVE™ version 4

4. Start debugger
   - Click on Debug button in the toolbar

   - Double click on GDB SEGGER J-Link Debugging
   - Click on Debug



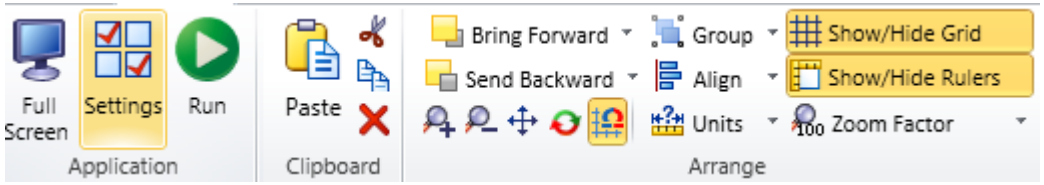
   - The debugger will program your board. In the debugger view click on Resume button in the toolbar to start your application.

Using Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ Dashboard

- This section shows you how to monitor and control your application using the dash board.
  - By having a dashboard for your C code, you will gain a firm understanding of what the embedded system is doing at any given time.
- Use **xmc4700_relaxkit_ucprobe_ex1.zip** example project.

1. Start Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™
   - Click on 

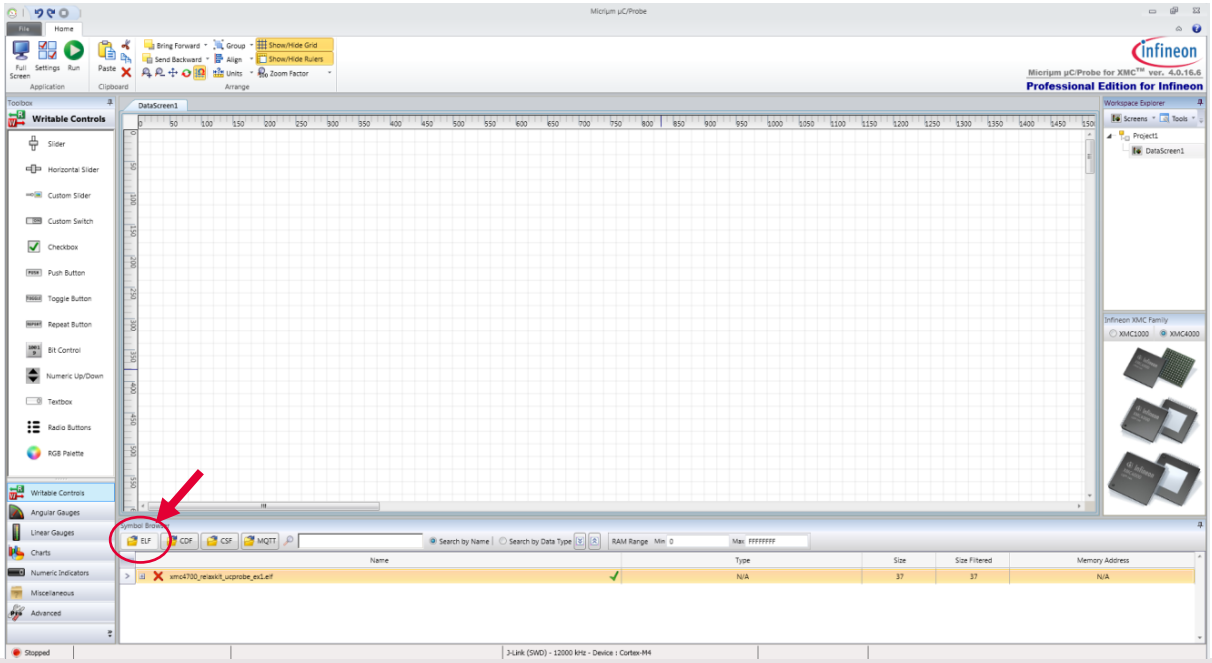
in your desktop
2. Setup communication to board
   - Click on Settings button in toolbar



   - Select Debug Interfaces > J-Link
   - Click Ok

Using Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ Dashboard

3. Load an ELF file
   - Click on **ELF** button in Symbol Browser window
   - Browse to the location of the ELF file in the Debug folder of the example project.
   - Select the file. Click **Open**
   - Now you are ready to start designing your graphical UI



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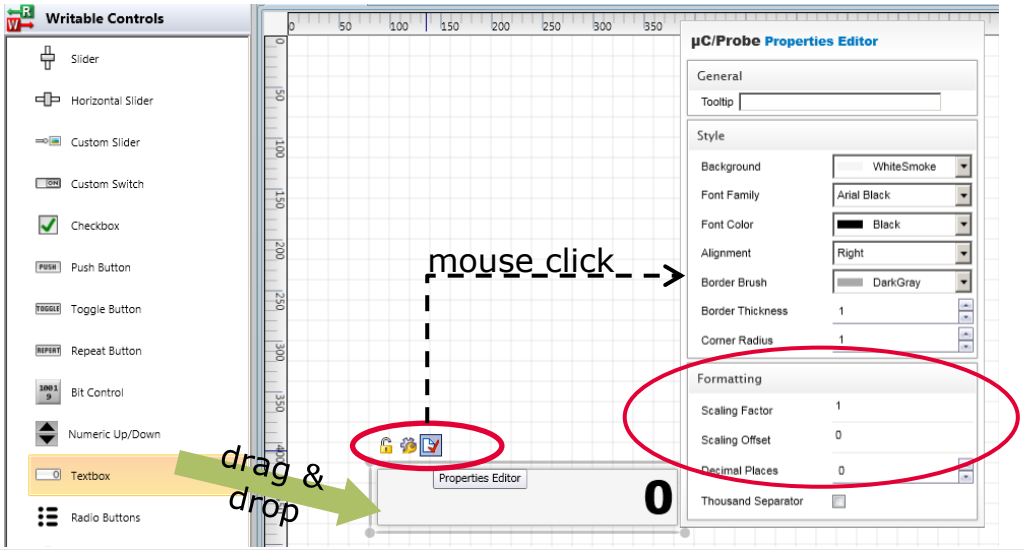
4. Drag and drop controls to build your user interface
   - In this example we will monitor and control a global variable of our application.
   - Add a **Textbox** from the Writable Controls. We will use this control to change the value of the variable.
   - In the Properties Editor you could apply scaling to the read value of the form y = scale*x + offset. You can also adjust the Decimal Places. These settings are available for almost all controls.



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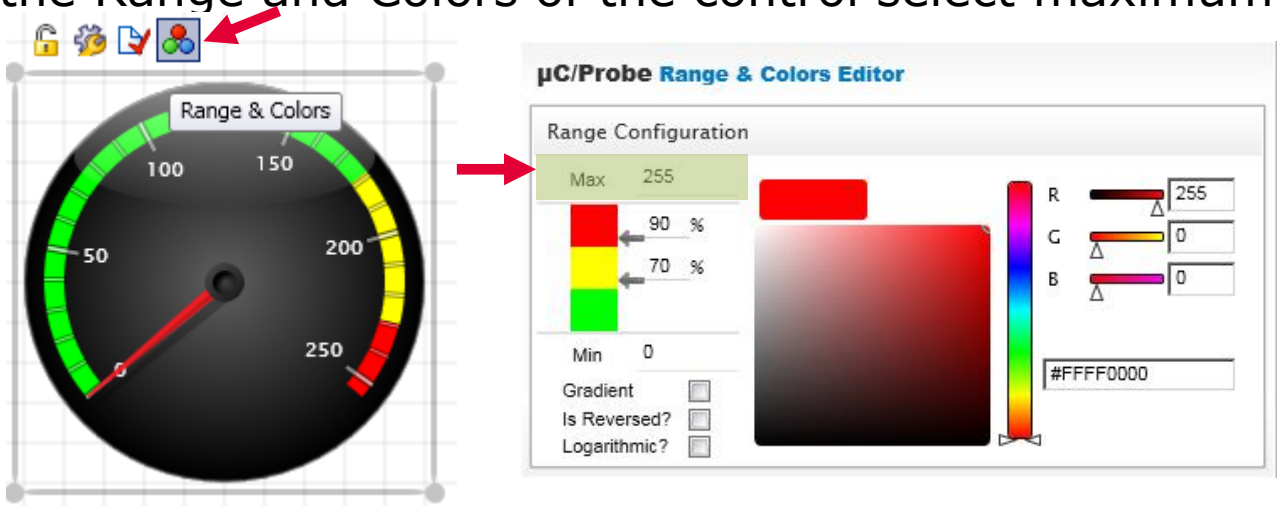
- Add a **Radial 1** from the Angular Gauges. We will use this control to monitor the value of the variable.
  - In the Range and Colors of the control select maximum value 255.



- Add a **Cylinder 1** from the Linear Gauges. We will use this control to monitor the value of the variable.
  - In the Range and Colors of the control select maximum value 255.

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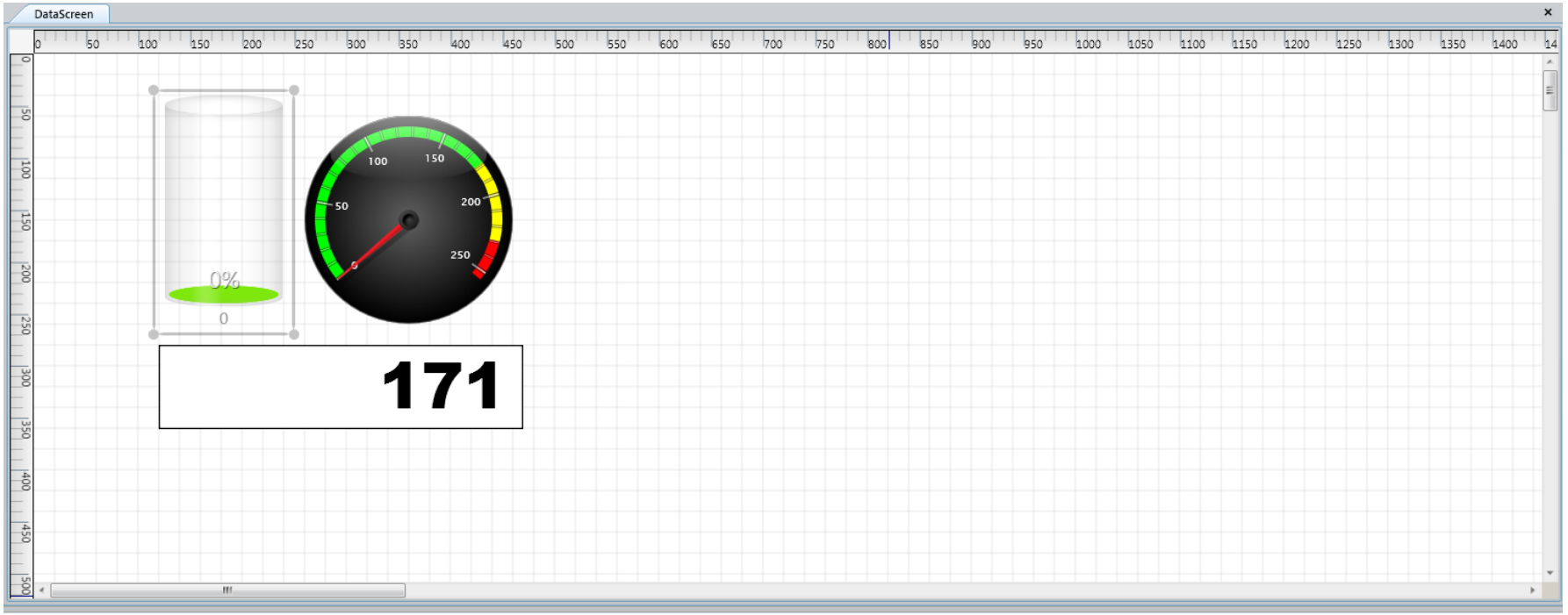
- Your dash board should look like as shown below
- You can always save your workspace by Ctrl-S or File > Save for later use or for sharing.



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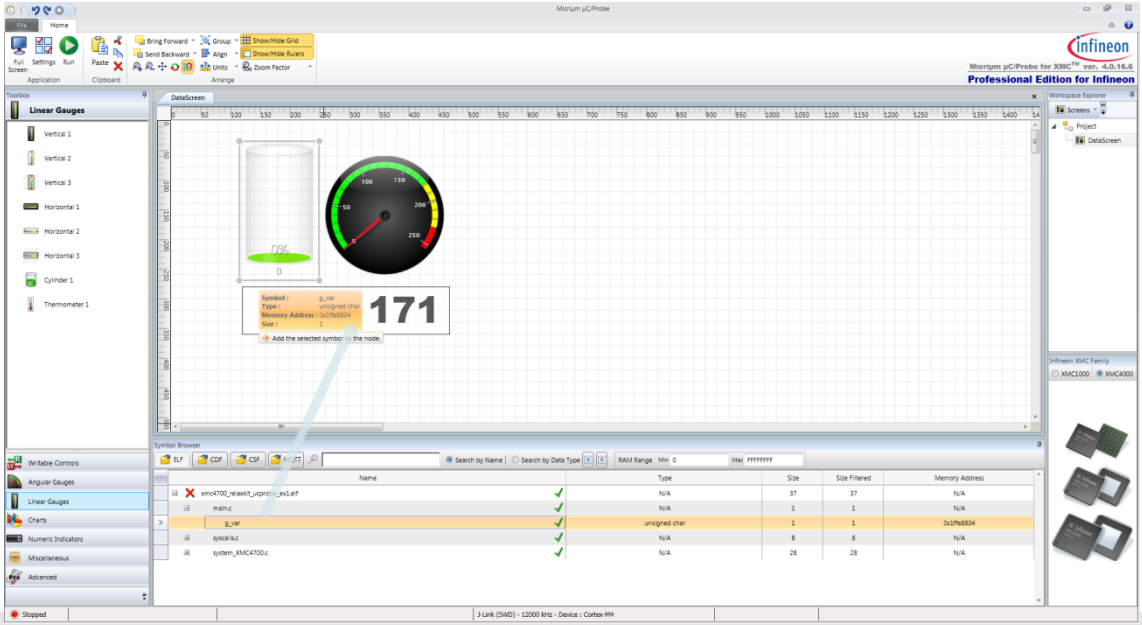
5. Associate variables to controls
   - Search for the **g_var** symbol in the Symbol Browser:
     - Either use the search function if you know the name of the variable
     - Or unfold the ELF file and navigate through the modules
   - Drag the **g_var** variable and drop it over the Textbox control
     - Do the same for all the other controls



Alternatively you can associate a variable to a control by double clicking on the variable if previously the control was selected by clicking on it

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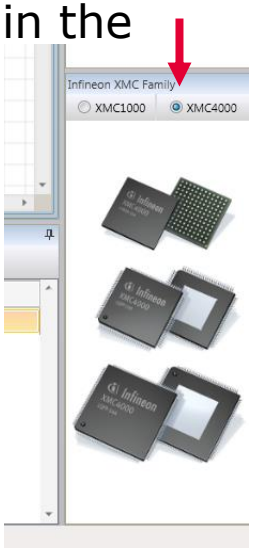
6. Since we are connecting to a XMC4700 board, select XMC4000 in the Infineon XMC Family window.



7. Before the next step ensure your board is running,

   i.e. not halted by debugger.

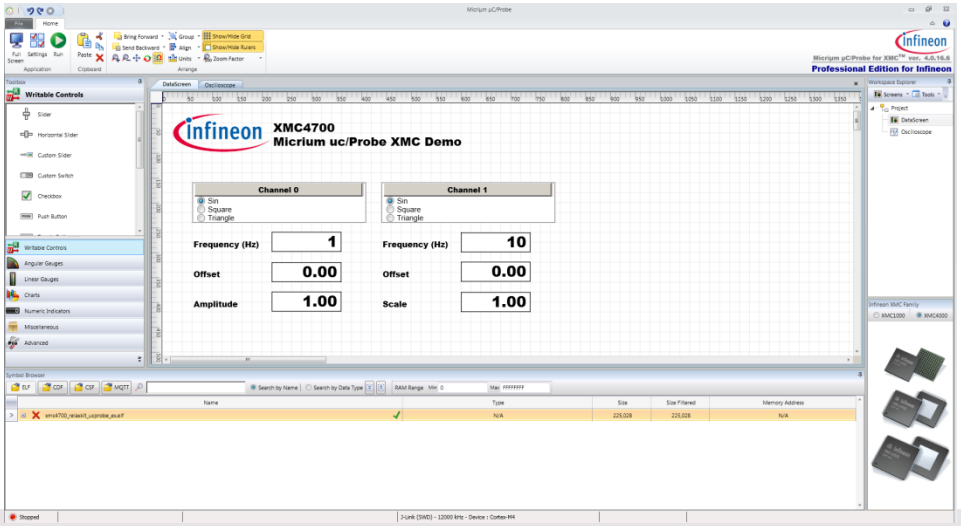
6. Click on Run button in toolbar.
   - The controls visualization will get updated periodically according to the value of the variable **g_var**
   - In this case the application increments the variable **g_var** in a loop.
   - You can also modify the value of the variable in run time.

No programming is required!
No need to instrument your embedded code nor need to write any single line of code in the PC to get insight of your application.

Using Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ Oscilloscope control

- In this section will explore the capabilities of the oscilloscope control of Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™
- Use **xmc4700_relaxkit_ucprobe_ex2.zip** example project.

1. In this section you will open an existing Workspace (.wspx)
   - Simply double click on the provided .wspx file in the example project.
   - Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ will start, showing the panel control for a software "signal generator".



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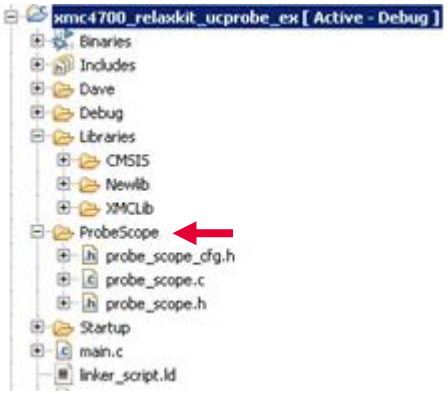
2. Add uC/Probe™ XMC™ Embedded Target code

Note: The example application has already this step done for you. Here it is explained as reference for your next projects.

- To use the oscilloscope control, it requires adding to your application the Scope library which is part of the Target Code included in the µC/Probe™ XMC™ download package or can be downloaded from µC/Probe Embedded Target Code.
  - Add folder and adjust the compiler settings, i.e. Include Paths
  - Include probe_scope.h into your application code
- The library provide two functions:
  - **ProbeScope_Init()**
    - Initializes the internals of the Oscilloscope module. It sets the time base indicated as a parameter to the function, i.e. the frequency of calling the sampling function.
  - **ProbeScope_Sampling()**
    - Take a sample of each active oscilloscope channel. This function should be called in periodic function, i.e. control loop or timer ISR like in the example.
- The library can be configured adapting the defines in probe_scope_cfg.h
  - Number of channels
  - Number of sample per channel
    - It determines the length of the waveform, i.e. T = sampling period X number of samples per channel.



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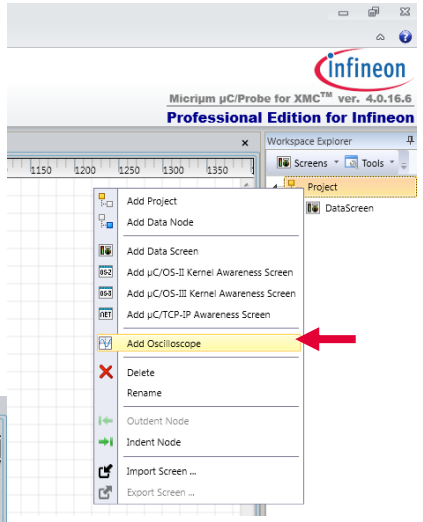
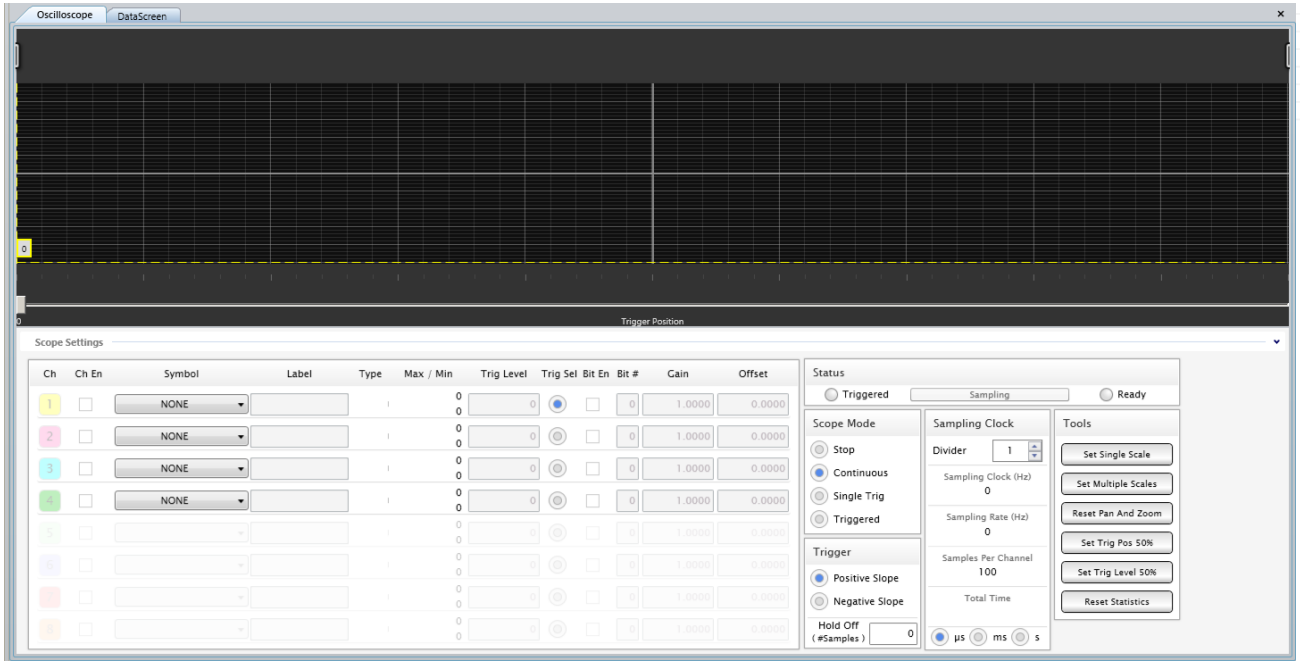
3. Create an oscilloscope
   - Click on Project > Add Oscilloscope
   - A new tab is created in the workspace containing the oscilloscope control.





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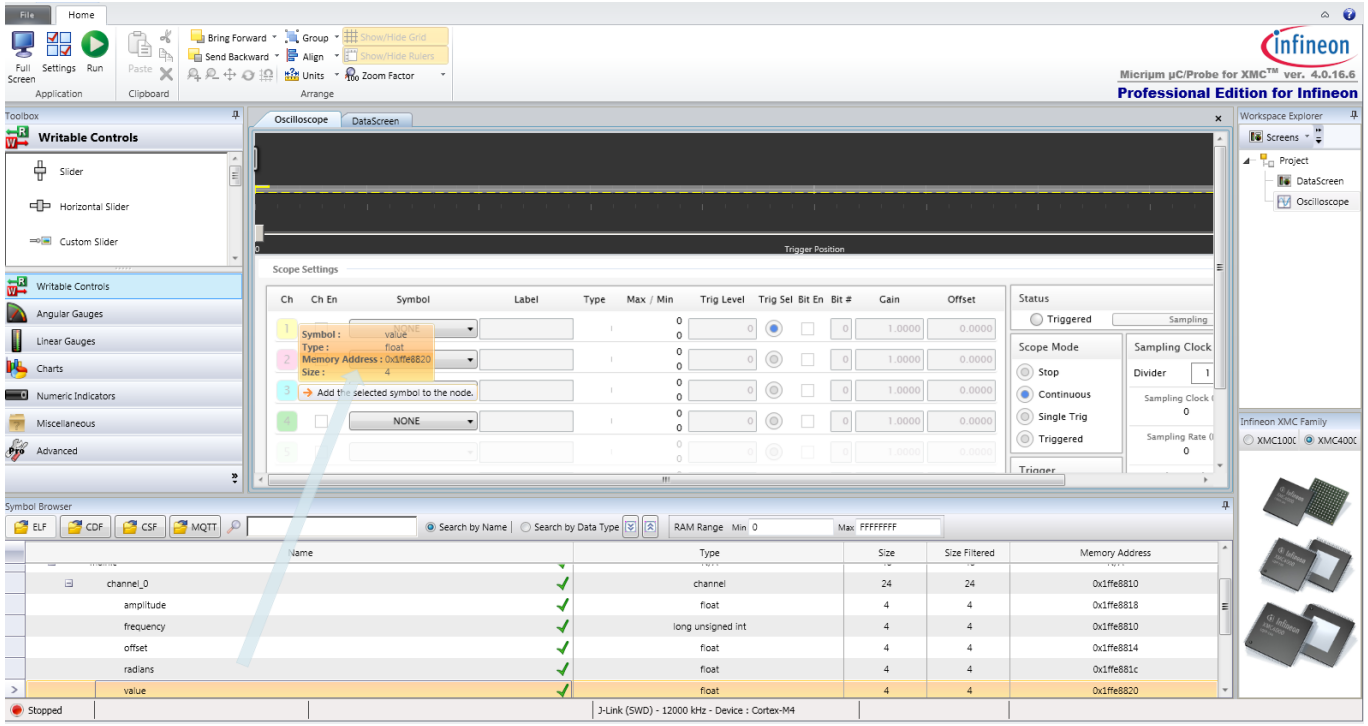
4. Associate variables to the oscilloscope channels
   - Using the symbol browser drag a drop the variables channel_0.value and channel_1.value to the oscilloscope channels.



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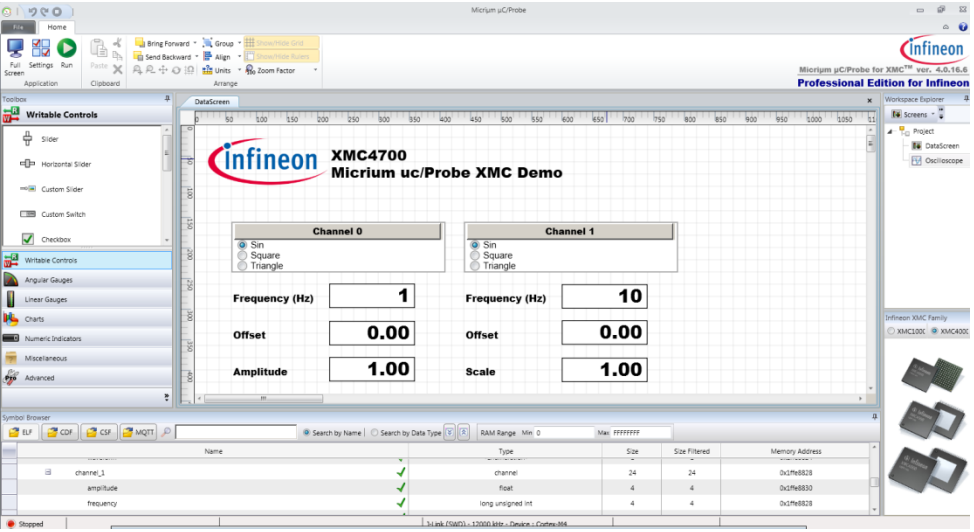
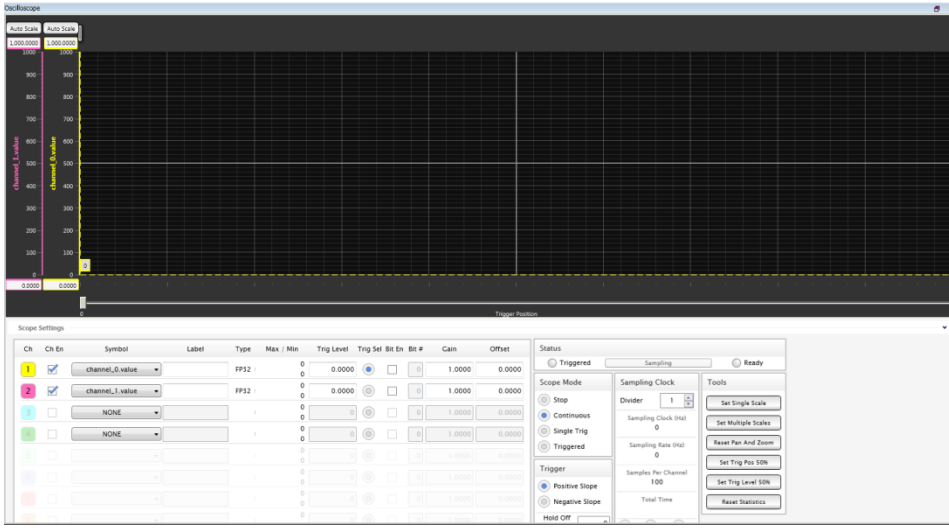
5. Change the layout of the workspace
   - To easily access the controls of the dashboard and simultaneously observe the oscilloscope, right click on the tab **Oscilloscope** and select *Floating*. The oscilloscope window will be detached from the main window of Micrium uC/Probe XMC.





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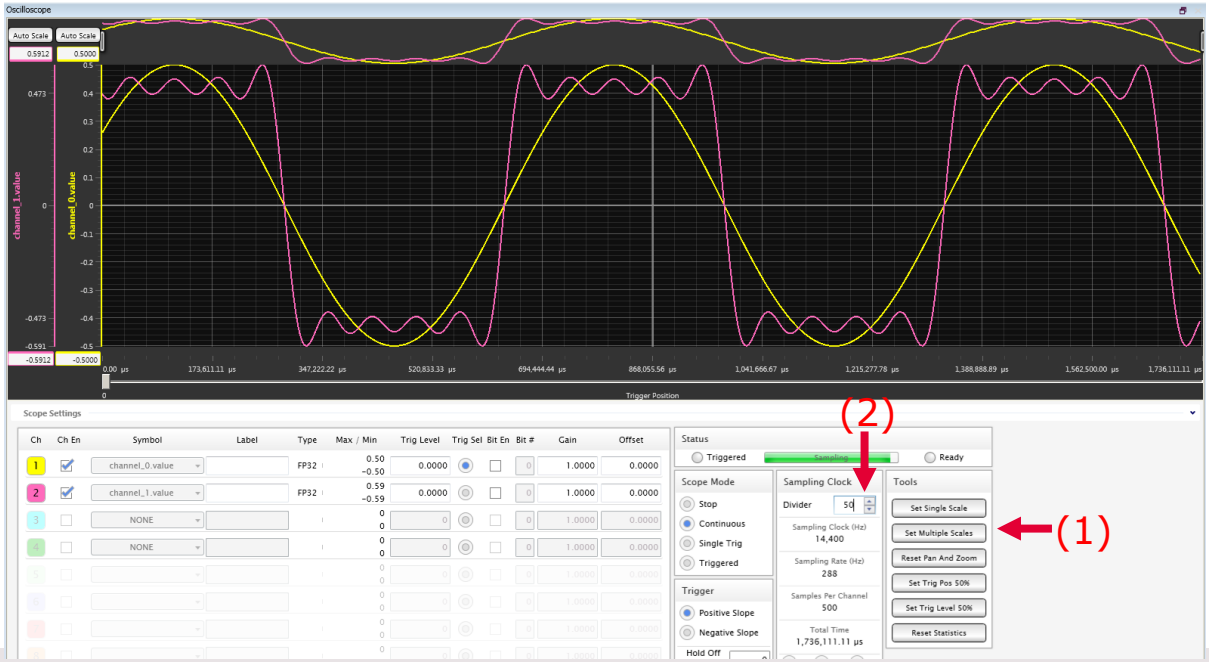
6. Ensure target is running.
7. Click on Run button in toolbar.
8. Adjust the oscilloscope channel scale
   - Click on **Set Multiple Scales** (1) in Tools to adjust the vertical scale
   - Set the **Sampling Clock Divider** (2) to adjust the time base scale.



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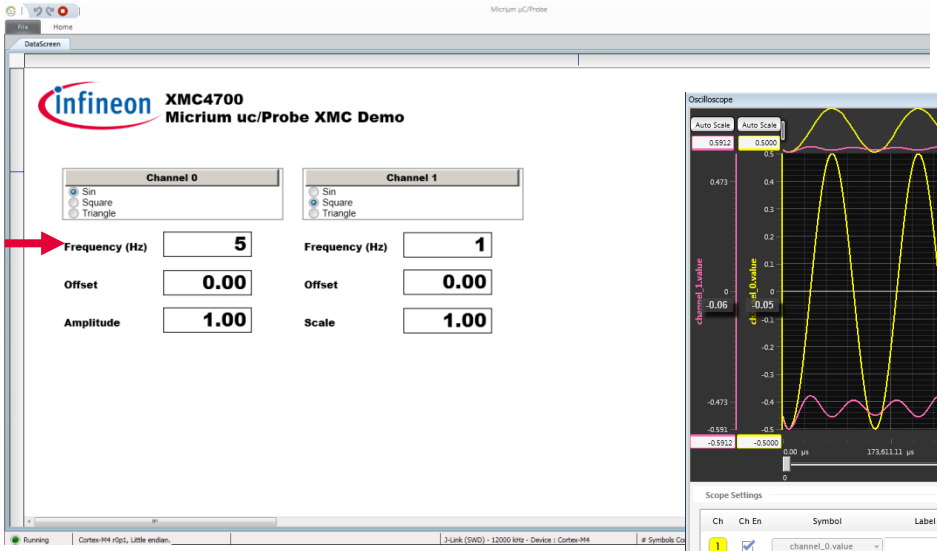
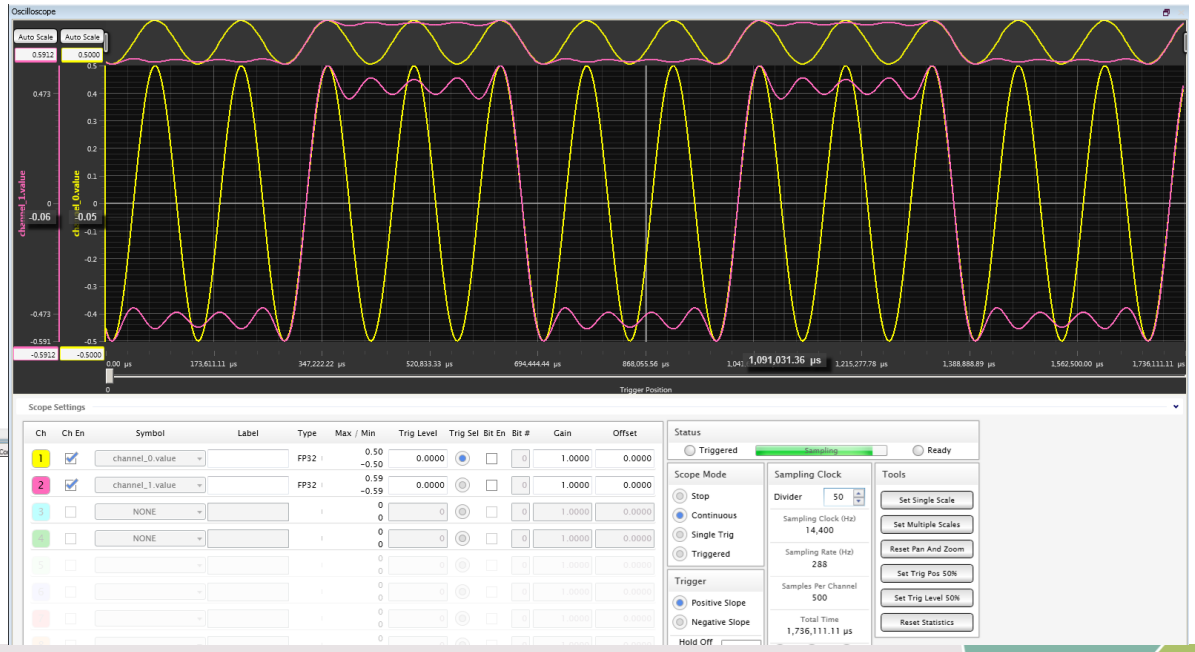
9. Use the dash board to control your application and observe the effect on the oscilloscope.
   - For example, change frequency of the waveform generator channel 0 to 5 Hz. You should observe something similar to the picture below.





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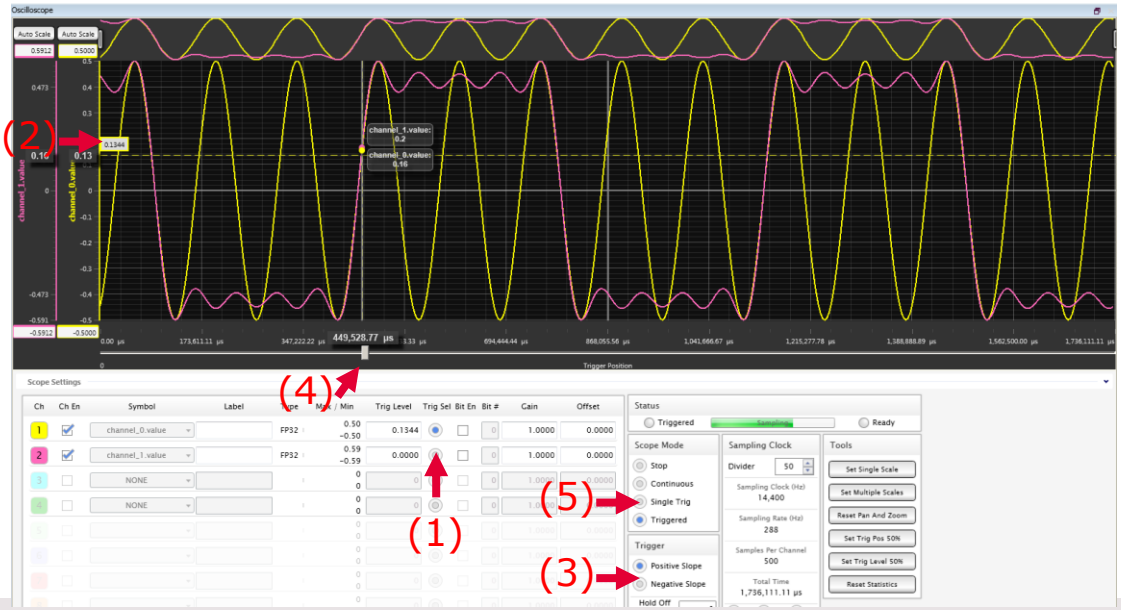
10. Oscilloscope trigger options

- One of the main features of the Oscilloscope control is the capability of triggering with the following options:
  - Trigger channel selection (1)
  - Trigger level (2)
  - Rising or falling edge (3)
  - Pre trigger (4)
  - Single trigger or continuous trigger (5)



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11. Oscilloscope other features

- Time axis zoom
  - Use the scroll bars in the top area of the Oscilloscope window (1)
- Individual Y vertical channel scale (2)
- Offset and gain of channels (3)

Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ Other features

- **Data logging control**

  Log the values of any variable(s) in your symbols browser to a CSV file.

- **Microsoft Excel Bridge**

  Map an embedded target's symbol to a cell in Microsoft® Excel®.

- **uC/OS Kernel Awareness**

  The µC/OS Kernel Awareness in µC/Probe is a series of pre-built screens that allows you to see the run time behavior of all the µC/OS-II kernel objects used in your embedded application.

- **Terminal Window**

  Interact with your embedded target in a shell-like fashion.

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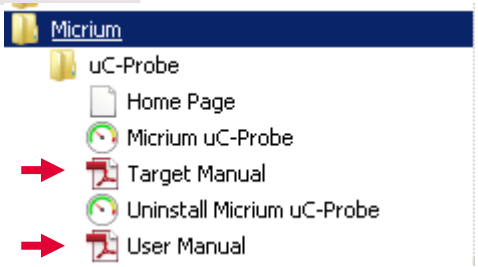

- **Micrium uC/Probe™ XMC™ documentation**
  - **Accessible in the Start menu of Windows**
  - **Or in the File tab of the application**

- **Micrium uC/Probe XMC features**

  https://www.micrium.com/tools/ucprobe/features/

- **uC/Probe Oscilloscope Feature: BLDC Design Case Study**

  https://www.micrium.com/new-%C2%B5cprobe-features-simplify-bldc-design/

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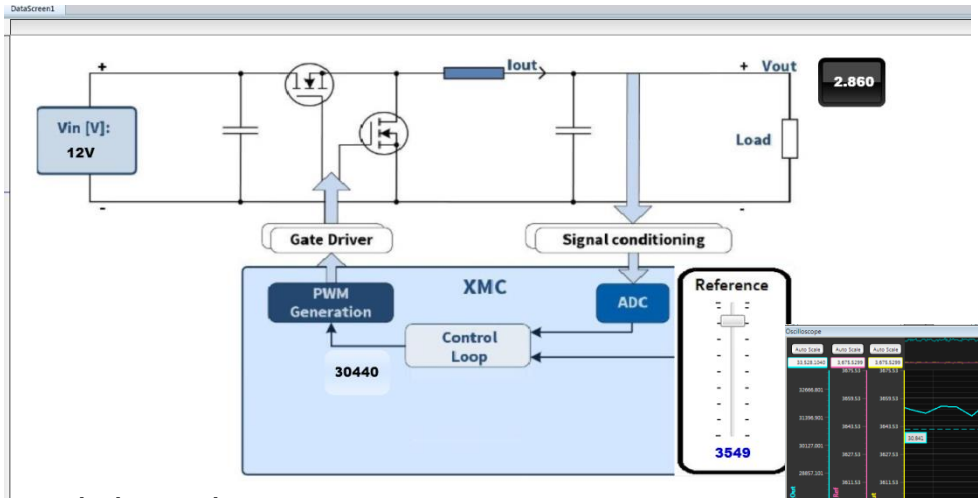

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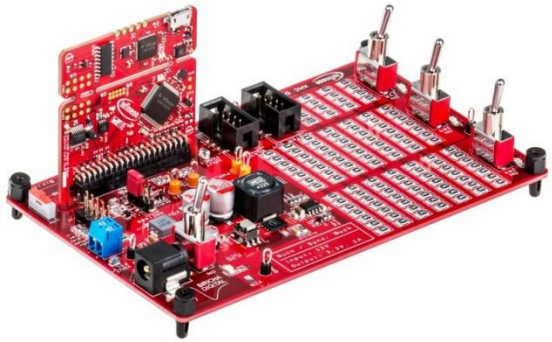

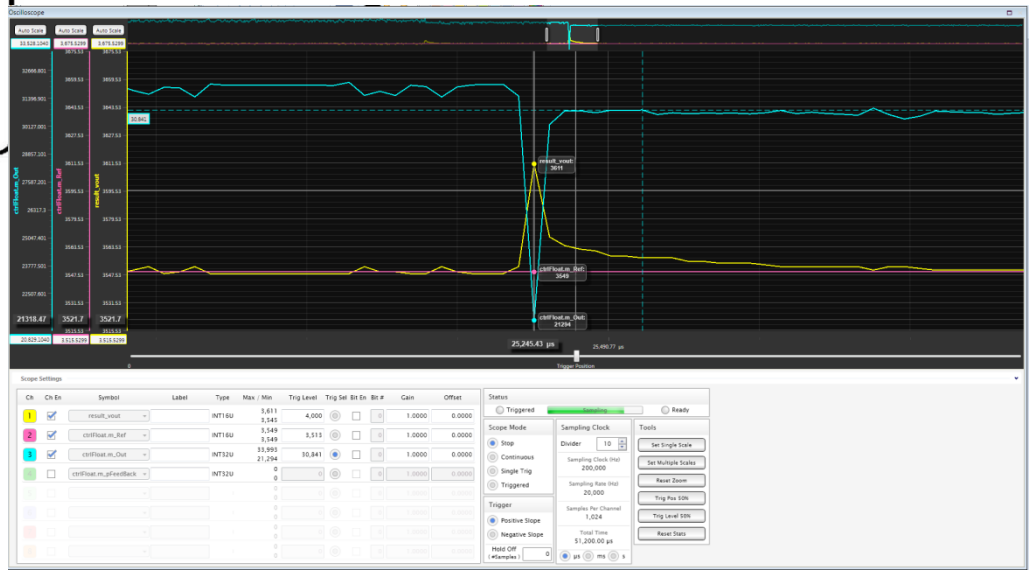

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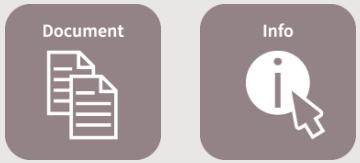
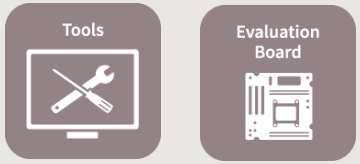
Collaterals and Brochures 	› Product Briefs › Selection Guides › Application Brochures › Presentations › Press Releases, Ads	› www.infineon.com/XMC
Technical Material 	› Application Notes › Technical Articles › Simulation Models › Datasheets, MCDS Files › PCB Design Data	› www.infineon.com/XMC › Kits and Boards › DAVE™ › Software and Tool Ecosystem
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