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Installing and using CodeWarrior IDE for NPM8

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Abstract	NXP offers a variety of CodeWarrior (CW) development tools on NXP.com. NXP's industrial pressure monitoring system (IPMS) solutions for NPM8Kx4S use CodeWarrior for MCUs, the Eclipse integrated development environment (IDE).

1 Installing CodeWarrior v11.1 or above

NXP offers a variety of CodeWarrior (CW) development tools on NXP.com. NXP's industrial pressure monitoring system (IPMS) solutions for NPM8Kx4S use CodeWarrior for MCUs, the Eclipse integrated development environment (IDE). To download a free, no time limit version of the IDE, visit CodeWarrior Downloads on NXP.com or navigate to NXP.com, *Support* > *All Developer Resources* > *Software* > *CodeWarrior Development Tools* > *Evaluation Software*. From the CW downloads page, select the **Special** button to download the Special Edition version of CodeWarrior for MCUs (Eclipse IDE) as shown in Figure 1.

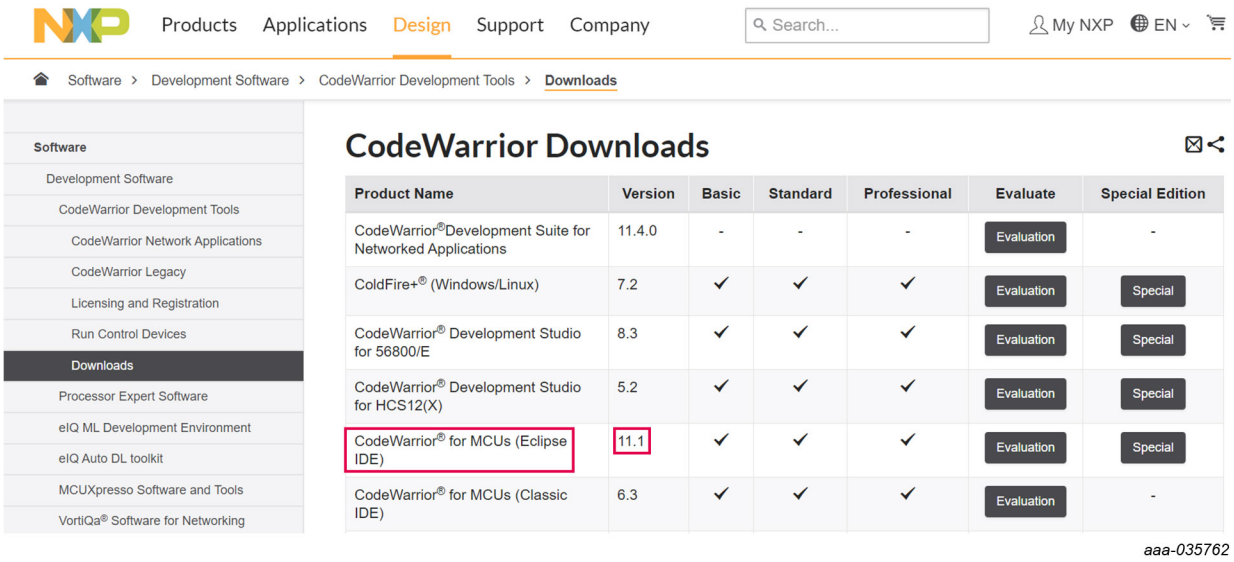

Figure 1. CodeWarrior Downloads page on NXP.com

The special edition is code-size limited, but the limit is 64 kB, more than the 16 kB IPMS flash size, so the limitation does not apply to IPMS products. On the download page, if the **offline** installer is selected, the whole suite will be downloaded with the installer, and access to the internet will not be required during the installation process. If the **online** installer is selected, only the core tools will be downloaded with the installer, and the rest of the necessary components will be downloaded during the installation process; the latter thus requires access to the internet during the installation process.

Note: *During CodeWarrior software installation retain,* ***do not change*** *the default installation path proposed by the installer application. The IPMS patch installation described in Section 2 depends on the default installation path. Changing the default installation path will prevent the proper installation of the IPMS patches. For CW v11.1, the default installation path is C:\Freescale\CW MCU v11.1.*

Note: *The software installation prompts the user to select components as part of the installation as shown in Figure 2. For IPMS applications,* ***S08/RS08*** *is the only required component.*

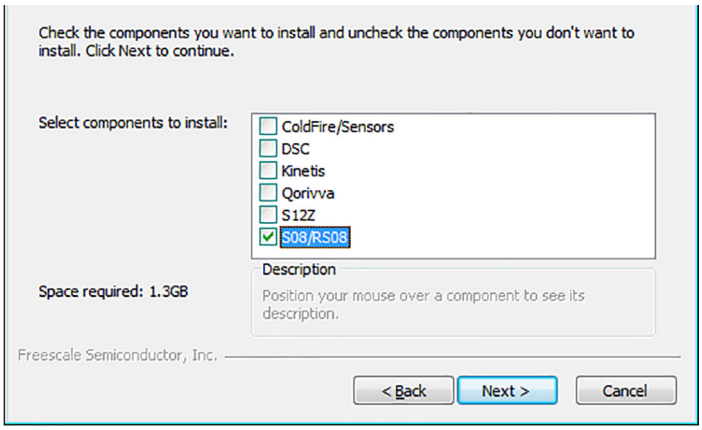

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Figure 2. Component selection window

2 Installing the NTM88_LIB target

In the CodeWarrior IDE, the IPMS Target *NTM88_LIB* is not included by default. It has to be installed by the user patch. Instructions on how to install the patch are provided in this section.

Downloading and installing the *NTM88_LIB* patch:[1]

The patch NPM_CW_PATCH.zip installs the target NTM88_LIB to support library-based NPM8 applications. To obtain this patch, visit the NPM8 product page on NXP's website and download the NPM_CW_PATCH.zip file from the Software section.

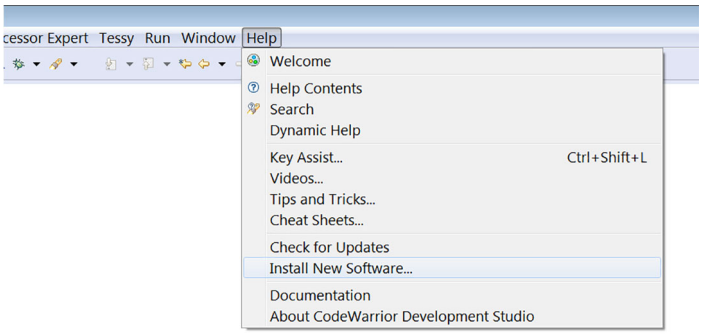
Do not unzip the patch file. The installation uses the files in zip format.

Checking the installed software version for CodeWarrior:

1. Open the CW IDE.
2. Select **Help > About CodeWarrior Development Studio.**
3. Verify CW version 11.1 or higher is installed.

CodeWarrior patch installation:

1. Ensure CW version 11.1 or higher has been installed, see Checking the installed software version for CodeWarrior.
2. Open the CW IDE.
3. Select **Help > Install New Software**.



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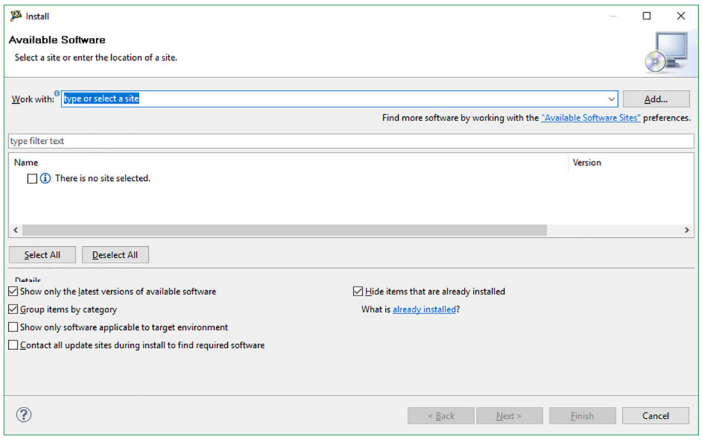
4. Selecting **Install New Software** opens the **Available Software** window.

1 Compatible with CW version 11.1 or above



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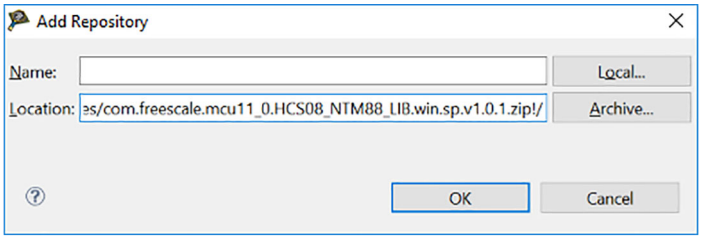
5. On the **Available Software** window, select the **Add** button. The **Add Repository** window displays.



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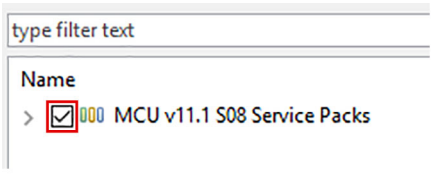
6. On the **Add repository** window, select the **Archive** button.
7. Navigate to the location of the first patch file to install.
8. Select the first patch zip file. Do **not** unzip the file. The file path and file name of the zip file appears in the location field of the **Add Repository** window.
9. Select the **OK** button on the **Add Repository** window. The focus returns to the **Available Software** window.
10. On the **Available Software** window, select the check box for **MCU v11.1 S08 Service Packs**.



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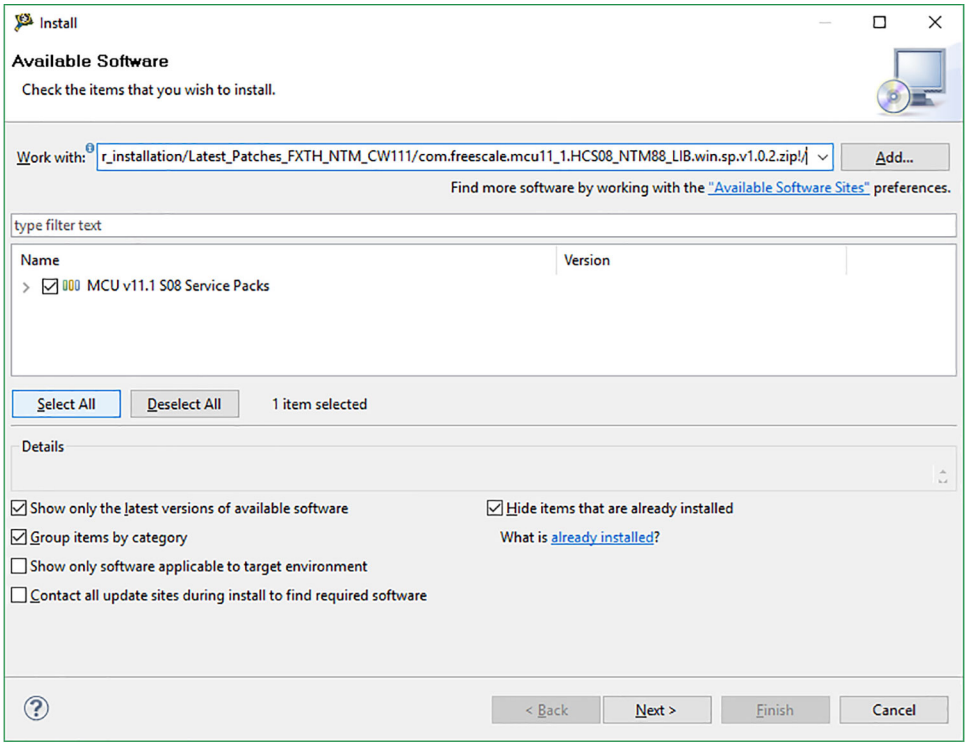
11. At the bottom of the **Available Software** window, select the **Next >** button to finish the installation. If the **Next** button is grayed out and cannot be selected, click on the **Select All** button, as shown:



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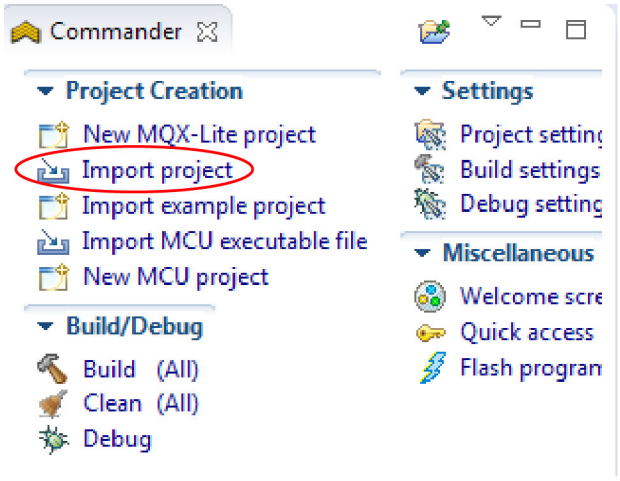
12. With the CodeWarrior IDE open, repeat Step 3 through Step 11 for any remaining patches.
13. Close and restart CodeWarrior.

Troubleshooting: during the patch installation, if the error **No repository found** occurs, this means CW IDE was not installed using the default installation path. Resolve the error by uninstalling CW and reinstalling CW using the default installation path proposed by the installer. ***Do not select a different installation path, or it will not be possible to install the patches.*** For CW v11.1, the default installation path is *C:\Freescale\CW MCU v11.1*.

3 Using CodeWarrior IDE

3.1 Importing a project

1. Start the CodeWarrior IDE.
2. Locate and open the **Commander** tab on the bottom left of the window.
3. Select **Import project** as shown to open the **Import** window.



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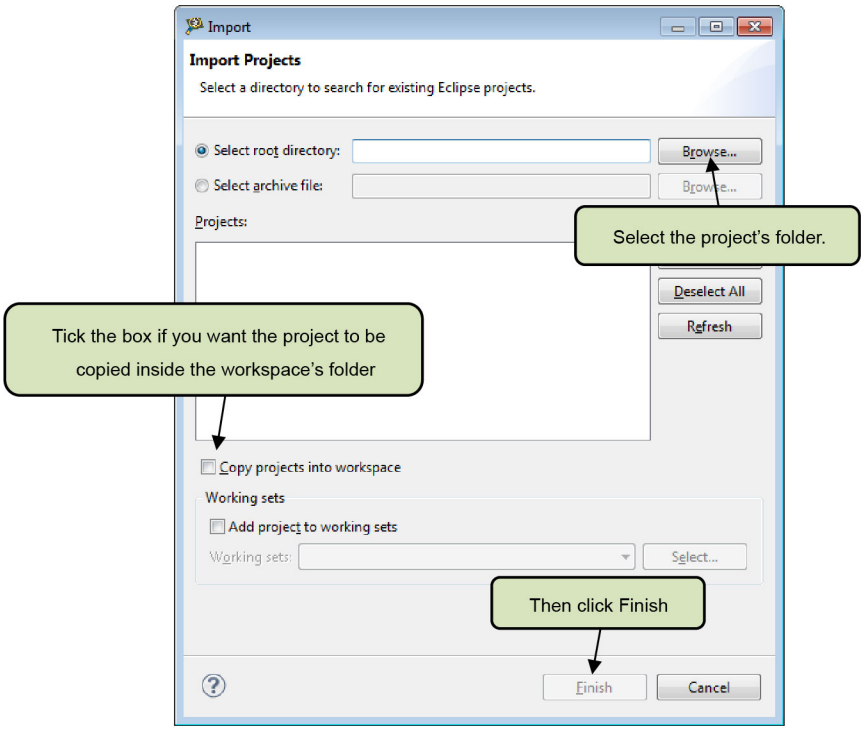
4. On the **Import project** window, select the **Browse** button and navigate to the location of the project to import.



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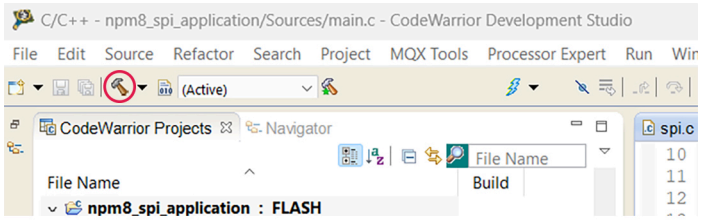
a. Select **Copy project into workspace** if you want the project copied inside the workspace folder.
b. Select the **Finish** button and the project is imported inside the workspace.

3.2 Building a project

1. To build a project, select the *Hammer* icon.
   If the *Hammer* icon is not available, double click on any source or header file of a project which will make the icon selectable.



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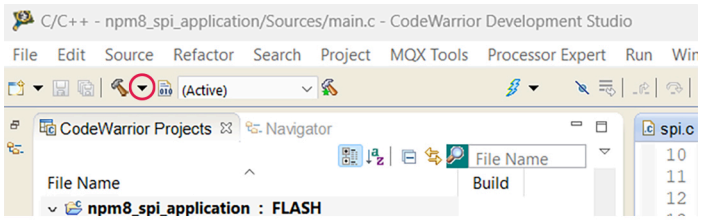
2. In some projects, several targets are available. This is used to compile the same project with different options. To display the list of available targets, click on the *down arrow* icon next to the *Hammer* icon.



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Troubleshooting: If the error **No rule to make target** occurs, clean the project before building it. To clean the project, right click on the project and select **Clean Project.**

After the project has been built, several files are created in the output folder:

- **.abs file:** The .abs file contains the executable information and debugging information. The .abs file is used as input by the debugger.
- **.s19 file:** The .s19 file contains executable information only. The .s19 file is used as input by the flash programmer tool.
- **.map file:** The .map file shows the memory location of the objects used by the application. The .map file addresses of all global variables, constants and functions are indicated in this file.

3.3 Hardware setup to program a project

To program the IPMS, a USB Multilink Universal device from P&E Micro[2] is required. For more information about this product, visit the project summary page at NXP.com or search http://www.nxp.com for "*U-MULTILINK*".

The USB Multilink Universal device connects to the IPMS Shield EVB via the BDM connector (2x3) as shown in the following figure.

2 The P&E Micro Multilink Universal Multilink Development Interface is not a production tool. For more information, visit the PE Micro website.

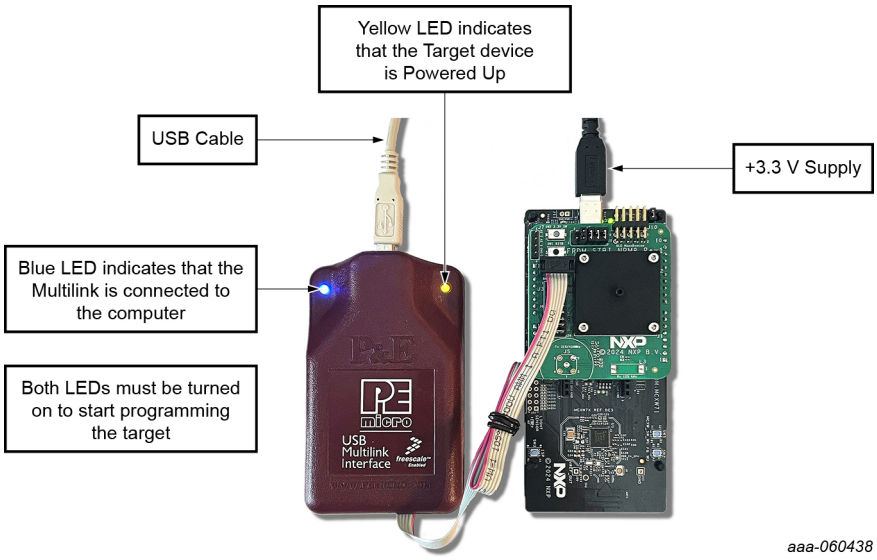


Figure 3. P&E Multilink device connected to IPMS Shield EVB via BDM connector.

3.4 Programming firmware

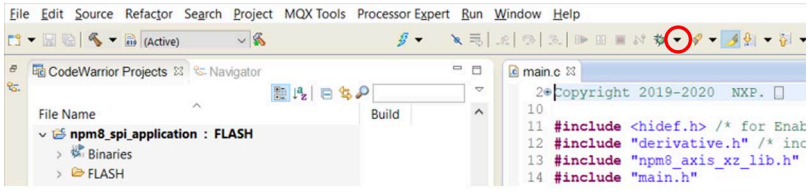
The firmware generated from this project can be programmed using either the debugger or the Flash Programmer tool.

3.4.1 Programming firmware using the debugger

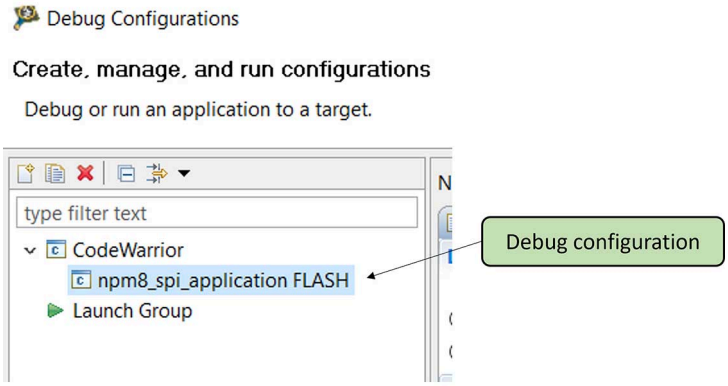
If the project is programmed with the debugger, a debug session will start after the IPMS is programmed. From the debug session, the user can debug the application by executing instructions step by step, reading the content of the registers, reading the content of the memory, etc. For more information on how to keep a debug session active when the application enters STOP1 mode, refer to AN14602 - *IPMS Code Architecture for Debug* provided with the demo starter projects.

To program a project with the debugger:

1. Open the **Debug Configurations** window by selecting the *down arrow* next to the green *debug* icon as shown:



2. On the **Debug Configurations** window, select the configuration below **CodeWarrior**.



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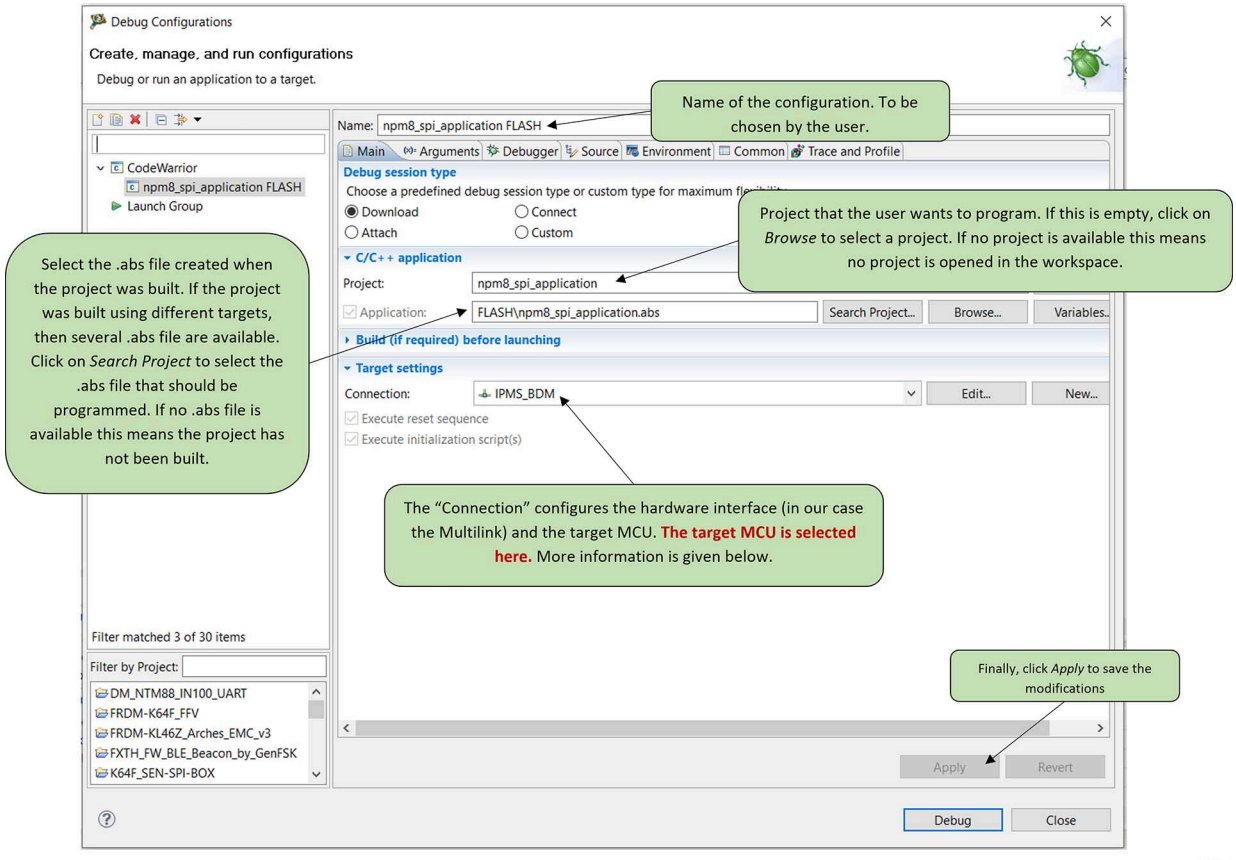
3. If no configuration displays below **CodeWarrior** in the window, double click on **CodeWarrior** to create one.
4. Complete the configuration in the window as shown:



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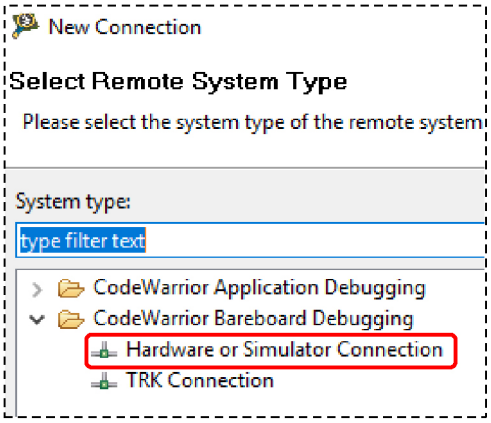
5. **Connection** configuration:
   a. Click **Edit** to view the configuration of the Connection.
   b. … or create a new **Connection** configuration: Select the **New** button.
   c. On the **New Connection** window, select **Hardware or Simulator Connection**.



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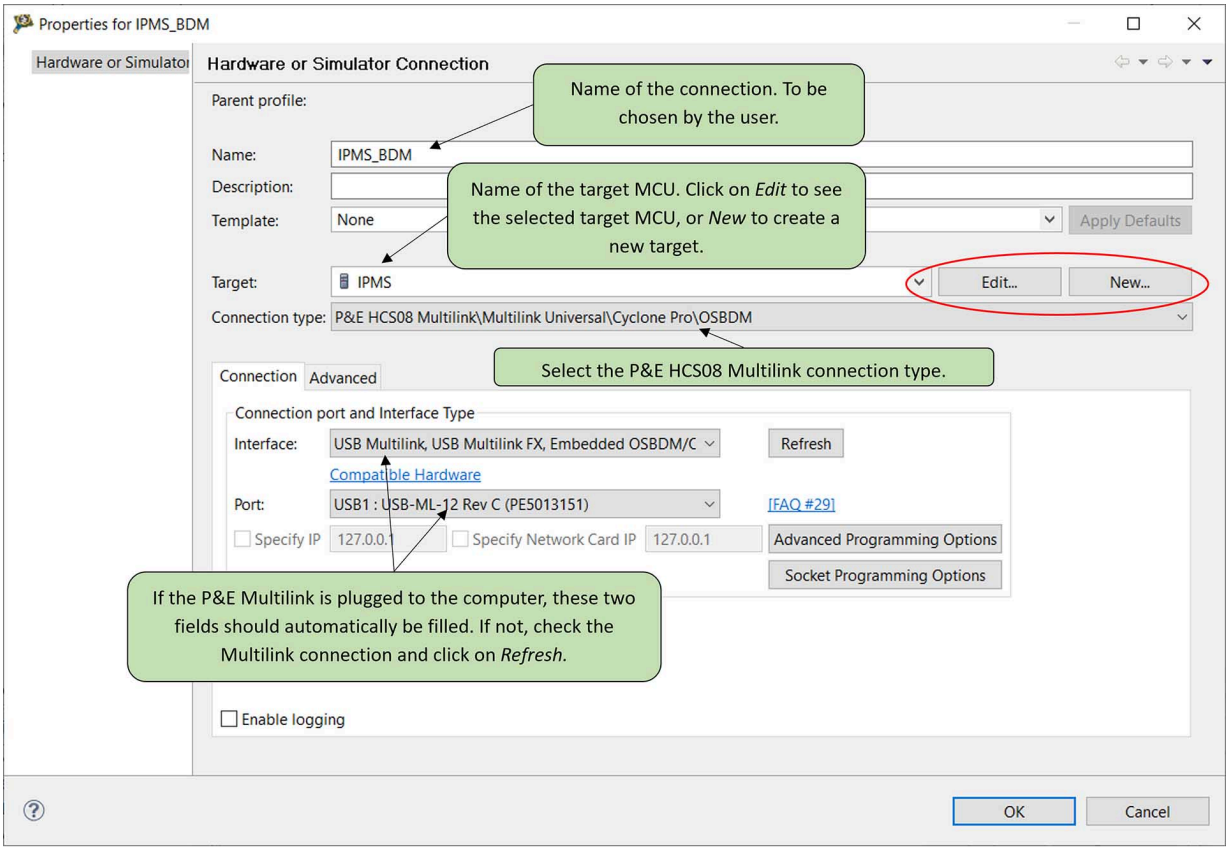
d. The **Properties for IPMS_BDM** window appears:



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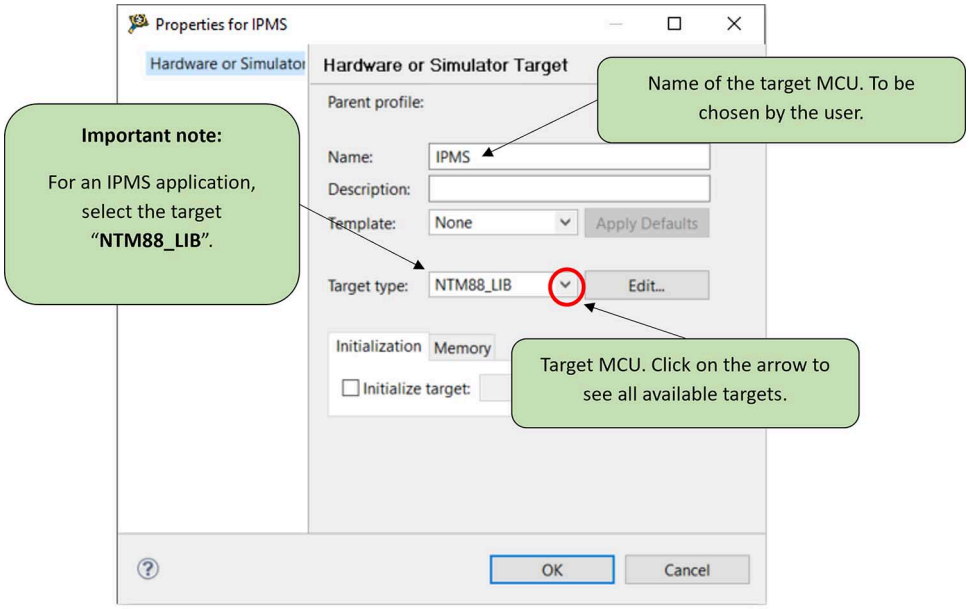
e. Selecting the **New** or **Edit** button next to **Target** opens a window to configure the target.



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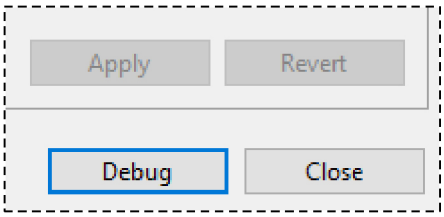
f. Complete the debug configuration window and select the **OK** button. The window focus returns to the **Properties for IPMS_BDM** window.
g. Apply the configuration and modifications using the **Apply** button.

6. To start the programming and debug session, click the **Debug** button.



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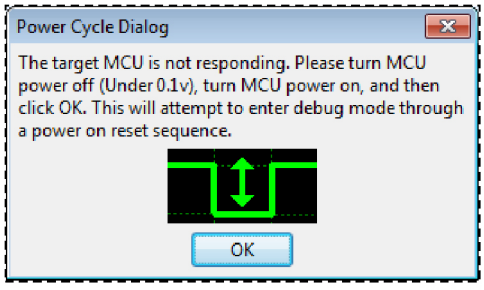
Note: During programming, the **Power Cycle Dialog** window may display with the following message:



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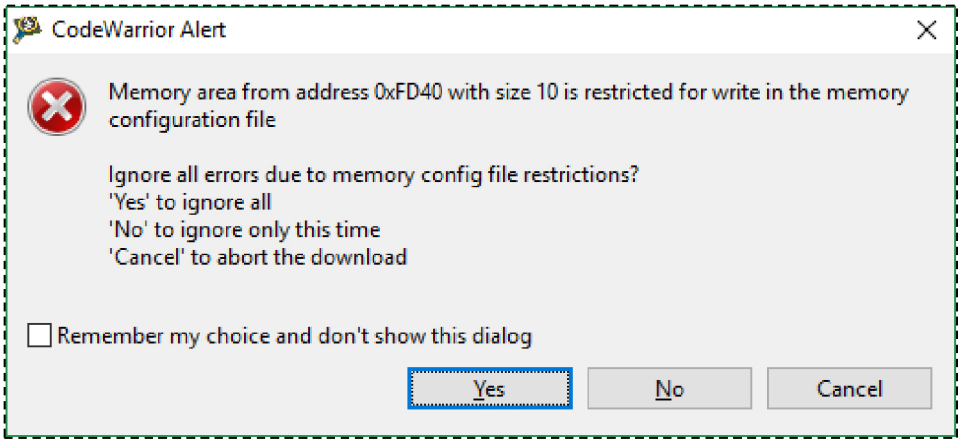
Disconnect the board power supply for a short time (about one second) by turning the power supply OFF and then ON again, without disconnecting the Multilink from the board. On the IPMS Shield board there is a Switch button (VBATT N.C.) to interrupt the power to the IPMS sensor, but this will only work when the IPMS shield board is being powered externally (J7).

However, if the IPMS Shield board is being powered via the FRDM-MCXW71, this feature will not result in the expected behavior, because the SPI lines will continue to provide power to the IPMS sensor, resulting in a non-effective power cycle. In this scenario, the best approach to power cycle the IPMS sensor is to simply unplug the USB cable from the FRDM-MCXW71 board, and plug it back in.
If using the **NTM88_LIB** target, the following **CodeWarrior Alert** window might appear:



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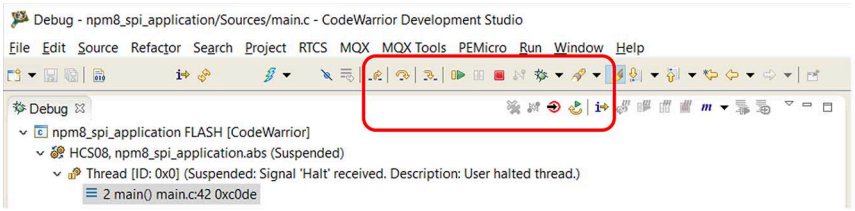
The **CodeWarrior Alert** window is normal for the library in use and simply alerts the user that trim coefficients are protected and cannot be overwritten. Select **Yes** to proceed to programming.

7. When the programming completes, the debug session starts. By default, the program stops at the beginning of the main function. Use the buttons shown to perform tasks such as run or pause the program, step by step debugging, reset the MCU, and terminate the debug session.



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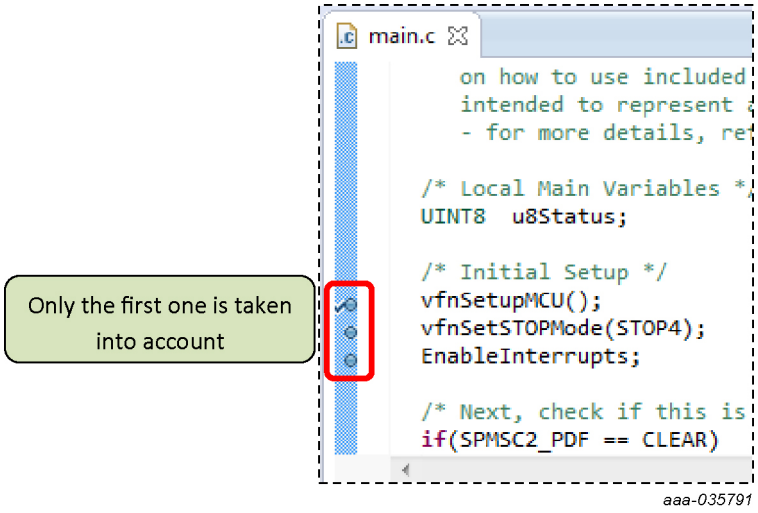
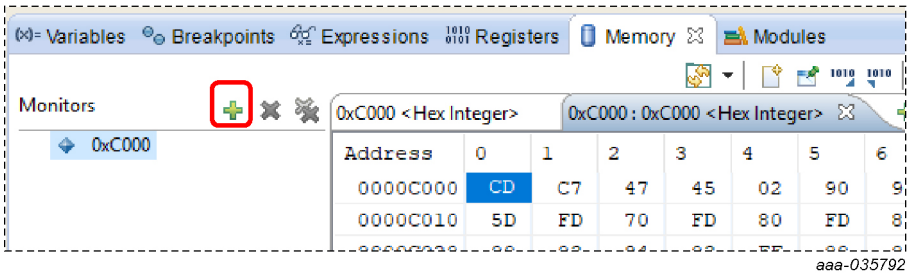
Note: Only **one** breakpoint can be enabled at a time. By default, the debugger sets one breakpoint, at the beginning of the main function. It is for this reason the program stops at the beginning of the main function after the debug session launches.

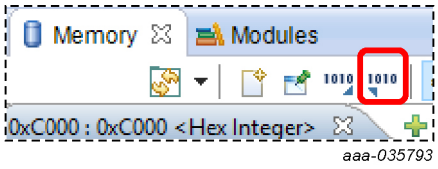
8. When the program stops at the beginning of the main function, another (and only one) breakpoint can be set elsewhere. If several breakpoints are set, only the first breakpoint is taken into account, and the other breakpoints are ignored.



9. With the program paused or stopped at a breakpoint, the user can check the values of variables, the content of the registers and the content of the memory. Select the green *plus* sign (highlighted in red) to indicate the starting address of the section to monitor.



10. On the **Memory** tab, the content of the memory can be exported. Note that when using the **NTM88_LIB** target, the content of the trim section is hidden, so the user will see the value **0xBA** instead of the actual trim values. By default, the **Export memory** button is not enabled: enter an address to monitor using the green *plus* sign icon highlighted in the prior image. Select the now active **Export** button.



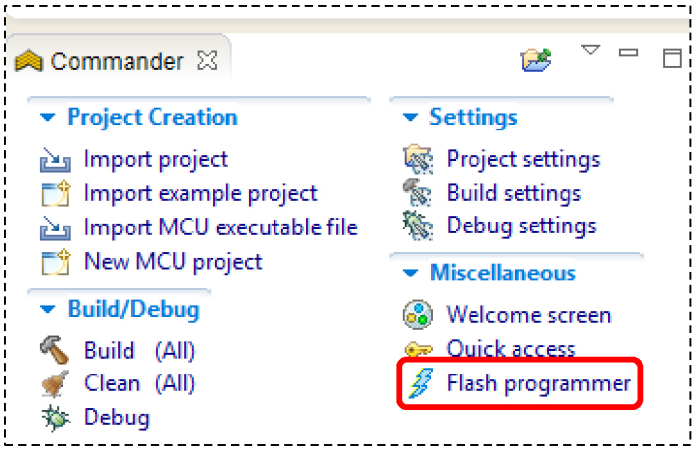
Important note: When the program starts after programming, the MCU enters a mode that consumes more power than specified in the data sheet. To restart the MCU in Normal mode, a Power-On Reset must be completed. After the user terminates the debug session, disconnect the Multilink and perform a POR to restart the MCU in Normal mode and reach the expected power consumption specified in the data sheet.

3.4.2 Programming a project using the flash programmer

To program a project using the flash programmer without starting a debug session:

1. Start the CodeWarrior IDE.
2. Locate and open the **Commander tab** on the bottom left of the window.

3. Select **Flash programmer** as shown to open the **Flash File to Target** window.



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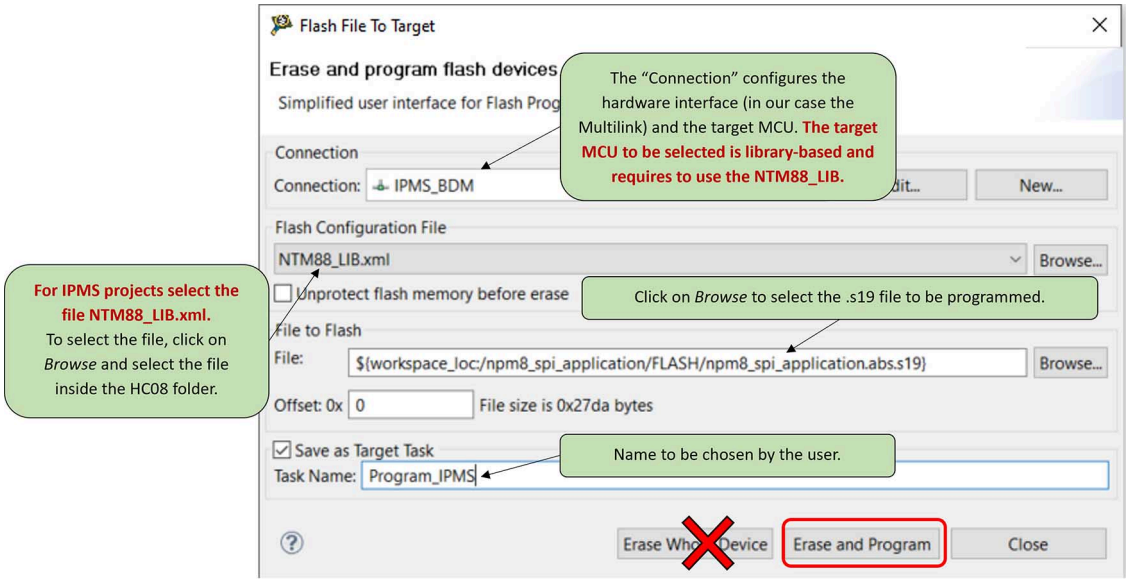
4. Configure the **Flash File to Target** window as shown:



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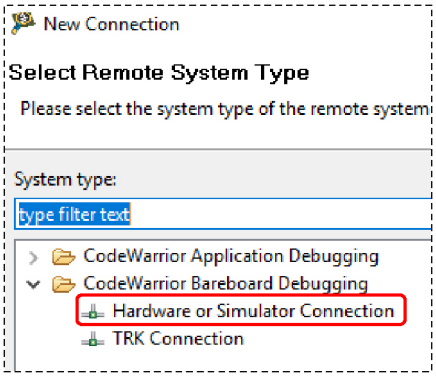
5. **Connection** configuration:
   a. Select the **Edit** button to view the configuration of the connection.
   b. … or select the **New** button to create a new connection.
   c. When the **New Connection** window opens, select **Hardware or Simulator Connection**.



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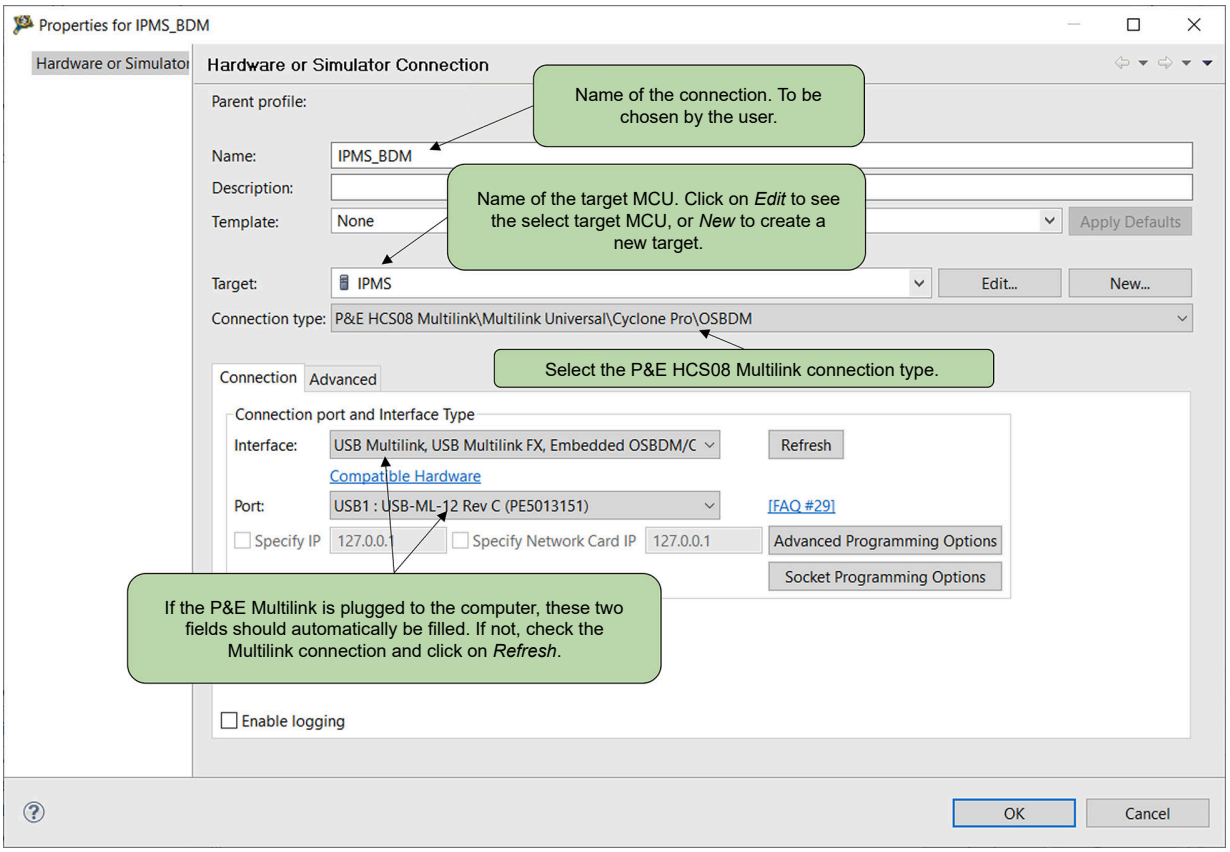
d. The **Properties for IPMS_BDM** window opens.



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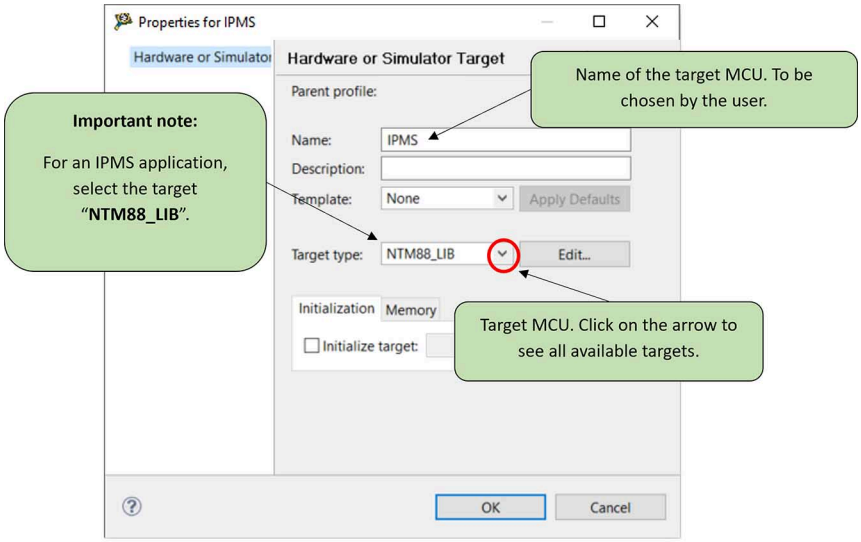
e. Clicking on the **Edit** or **New** buttons for **Target** opens the target configuration window.



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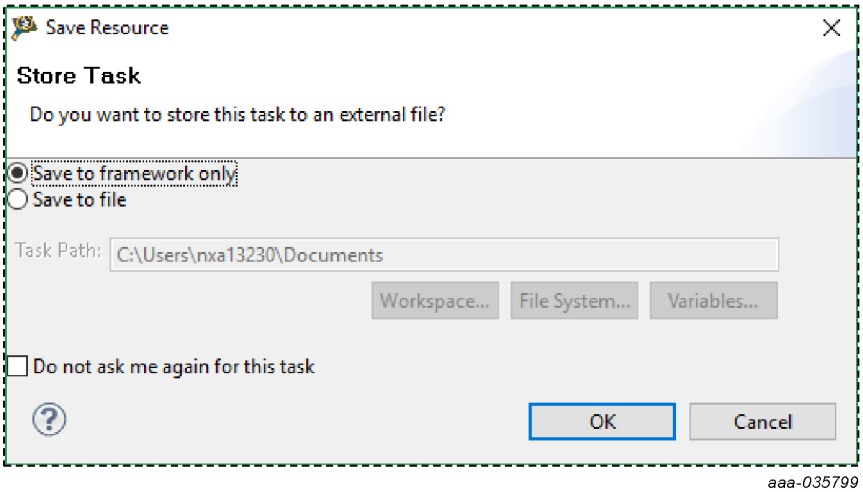
f. Configure the target as desired
Select the **OK** button on the target configuration window.

g. Select the **OK** button on the **Properties for IPMS_BDM** window.

6. After configuring the fields, select the **Erase and Program** button.
Do **NOT** select the **Erase Whole Device** button. Selecting this button erases ***all flash***, including the trim coefficients. If the trim coefficients are erased, the sensors will be permanently rendered non-functional.
7. The **Save Resource** windows opens.
   - To store the settings in the workplace, select the **Save to framework only** radio button.
   - To store the settings in a file, select the **Save to file** radio button. Storing the settings in a file enables the user to import these settings into other workspaces.



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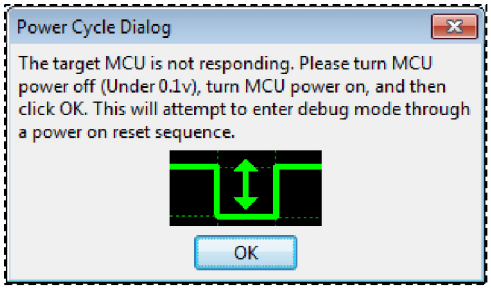
During programming, the following **Power Cycle Dialog** message may appear:



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Disconnect the board power supply for a short time (about one second) by turning the power supply OFF and then ON again, without disconnecting the Multilink from the board. On NXP's evaluation boards, a jumper enables the power supply to be disconnected.

8. When programming completes, perform a Power On Reset to restart the MCU in Normal mode to reach the expected power consumption specified in the data sheet.

3.5 Updating with new P&E Multilink firmware

P&E Multilink devices are programmed with a specific firmware for each target architecture family. The IPMS target architecture family is S08. When the firmware of the P&E Multilink is not compatible with the target to be programmed, the firmware is automatically updated before the programming is launched.

The following figure shows a P&E Multilink firmware update.

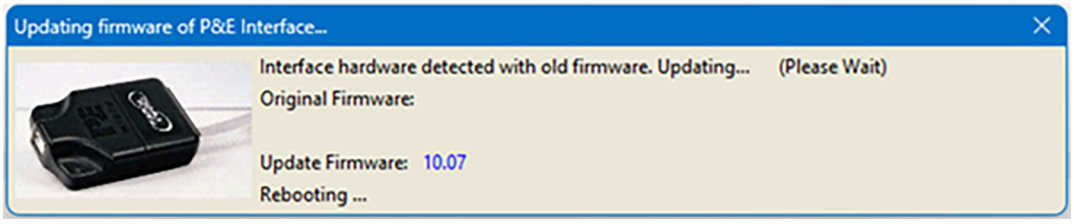

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Figure 4. P&E Multilink firmware update

With the latest P&E Multilink devices, the automatic firmware update may not always select the appropriate firmware version. In such a case, the following error is displayed upon completion of the firmware update.

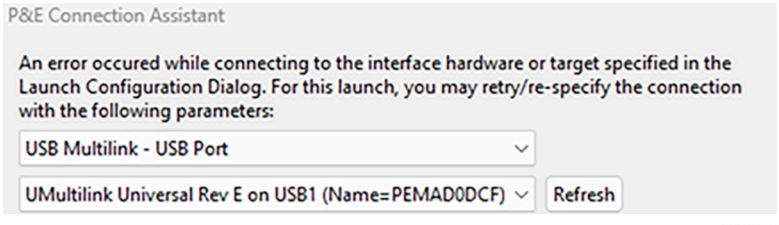

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Figure 5. P&E Connection Assistant

To fix this problem, do a manual update of the P&E Multilink firmware with the manufacturer's tool: Universal Multilink Firmware Update and Architecture Selection Utility. Visit the following link: https://www.pemicro.com/support/download_processor.cfm, and download and install the latest version available of the **USB Multilink Resources Install** package. See Figure 6.

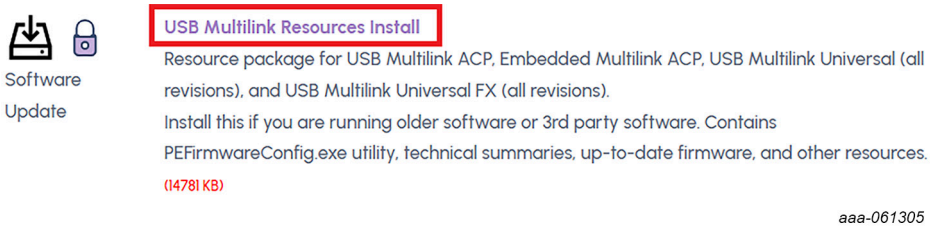

Figure 6. Getting the USB Multilink Resources Install package

The utility can be executed from the Start Menu. Follow these steps:

Start Menu > PE Micro Multilink Resources > Firmware Update and Architecture Selection Utility

The Multilink Utility requires three configurations in order to perform the firmware Update task:

1. **Select Hardware Type**: Make sure to select the appropriate Hardware Type
2. **Select Device**: Make sure the option that contains target S08 is selected.
3. **Select Architecture to Support**: Similar to number 2, target S08 is required.

After all the settings are correct, click the **Update Firmware** button. Make sure that **Last result = Success** is displayed.

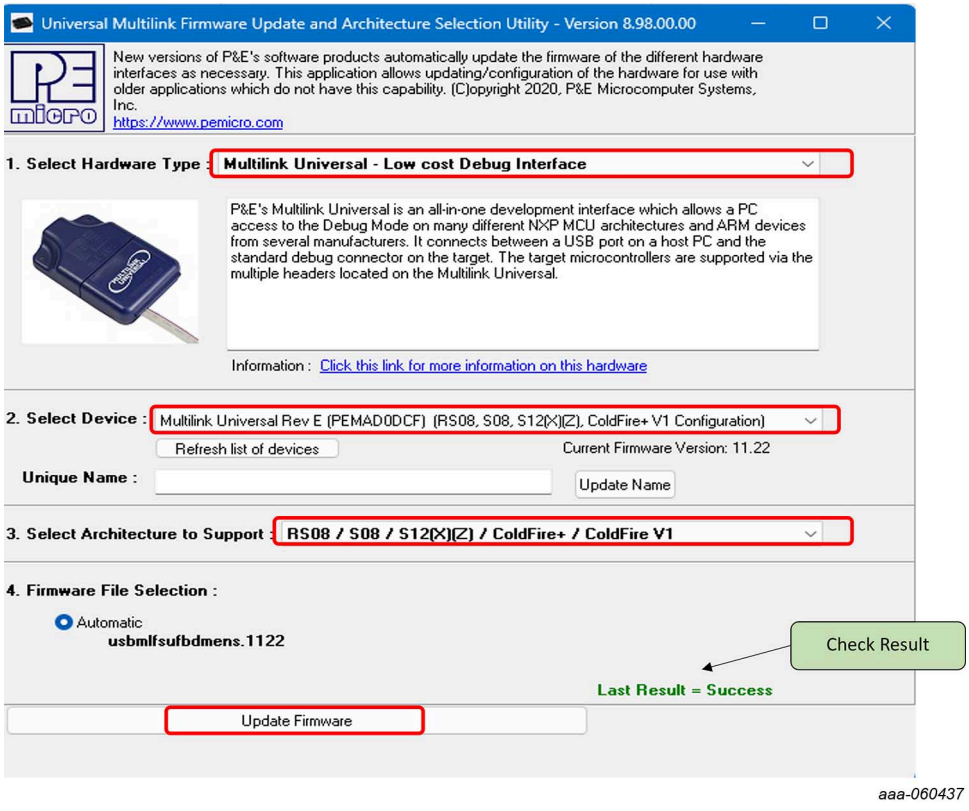

Figure 7. Multilink Utility

When finished, reset the Multilink debugger and it will be ready to flash the target.

Note: *The error message in Figure 8 may pop up after Power On Reset. Such an error will not prevent a successful programming of the IPMS and can be ignored by the user.*

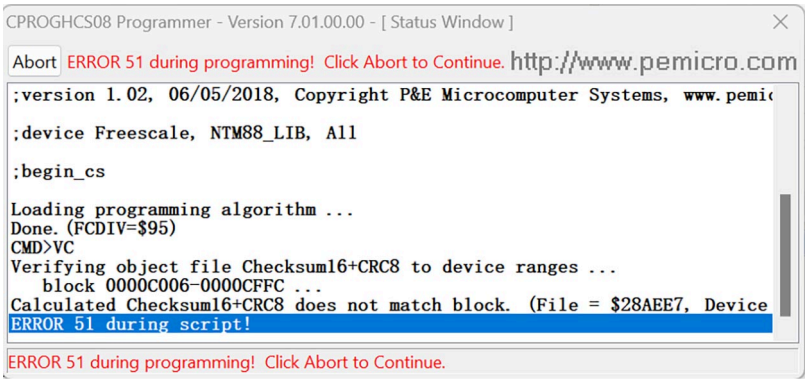

Figure 8. Error reported (see note)

4 Abbreviations

Table 1. Abbreviations

Abbreviations	Description
IPMS	Industrial pressure monitoring system
IDE	Integrated development environment
MCU	Microcontroller unit
CW	CodeWarrior
.abs	Executable and debugging information file used as input by the debugger.
.s19	Executable information file used as input by the flash programmer tool.
.map	Memory location file of all objects (global variable addresses, constants and functions) used by the application.
P&E	P&E Microcomputer Systems, Inc.
EVB	Evaluation board
POR	Power on reset

5 Revision history

Table 2. Revision history

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