

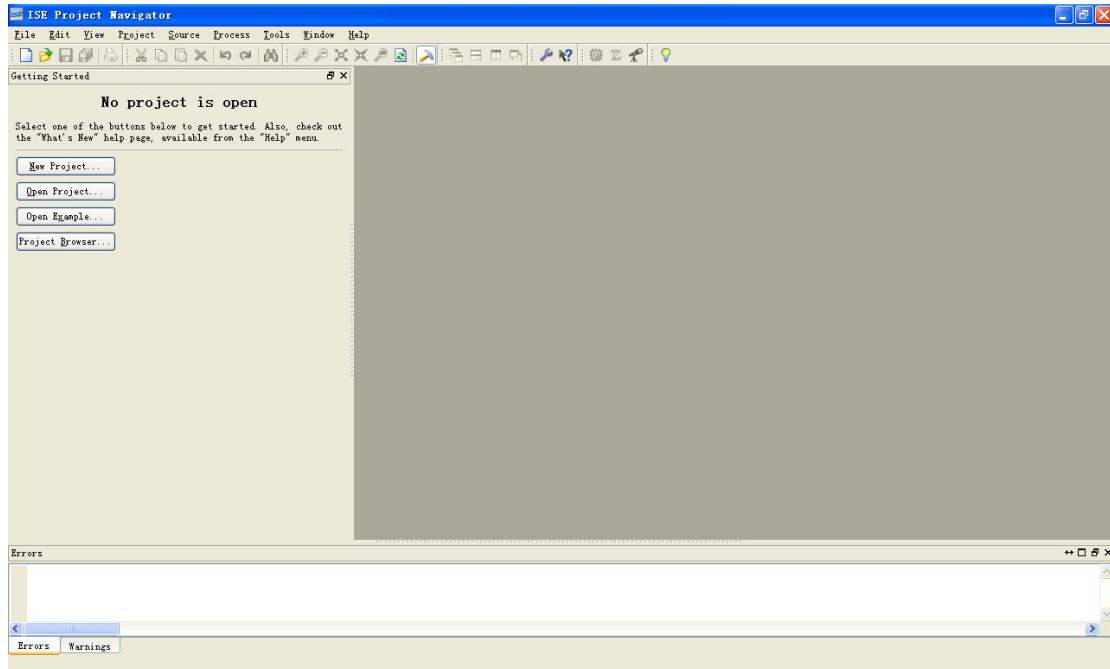
ISE Using Description

—Example led Experiment

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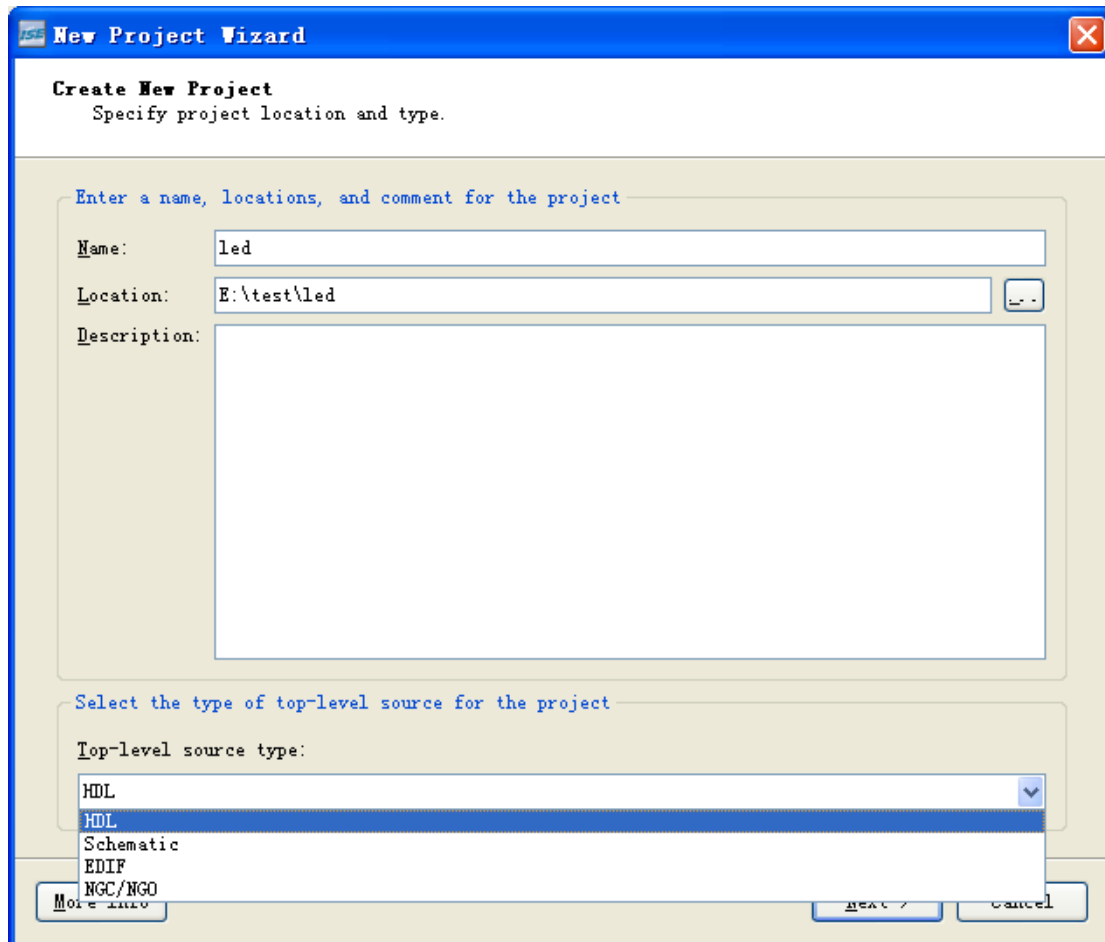
I、 Start Xilinx ISE:

Click: start → all programs → Xilinx ISE 11 → Project Navigator



II、 set up\open a project

If there is a project, in the pop dialog from File → Open Project choose your project. If there is no suitable project, you need to set up a new one through File New Project. Detailed steps are as following:



Fill the project name and path of the one you want to set up in Project Name and Project Location separately. In the drop-down menu of Top-level Module Type choose the top module type of your project. This LED experiment chooses HDL. Click Next:

New Project Wizard

Device Properties
Specify device and project properties.

Select the device and design flow for the project

Property Name	Value
Product Category	All
Family	Spartan3
Device	XC3S1000
Package	FT256
Speed	-4
Top-Level Source Type	HDL
Synthesis Tool	XST (VHDL/Verilog)
Simulator	ISim (VHDL/Verilog)
Preferred Language	Verilog
Manual Compile Order	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enable Enhanced Design Summary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Enable Message Filtering	<input type="checkbox"/>
Display Incremental Messages	<input type="checkbox"/>

Default: Unchecked

More Info < Back Next > Cancel

In this dialog choose:

Device Family

Used FPGA type

Device

Used FPGA model

Package

Used FPGA package

Speed Grade

Used FPGA speed

Top-Level Module Type

Top level module type

Synthesis Tool

Synthesis tool

Simulator

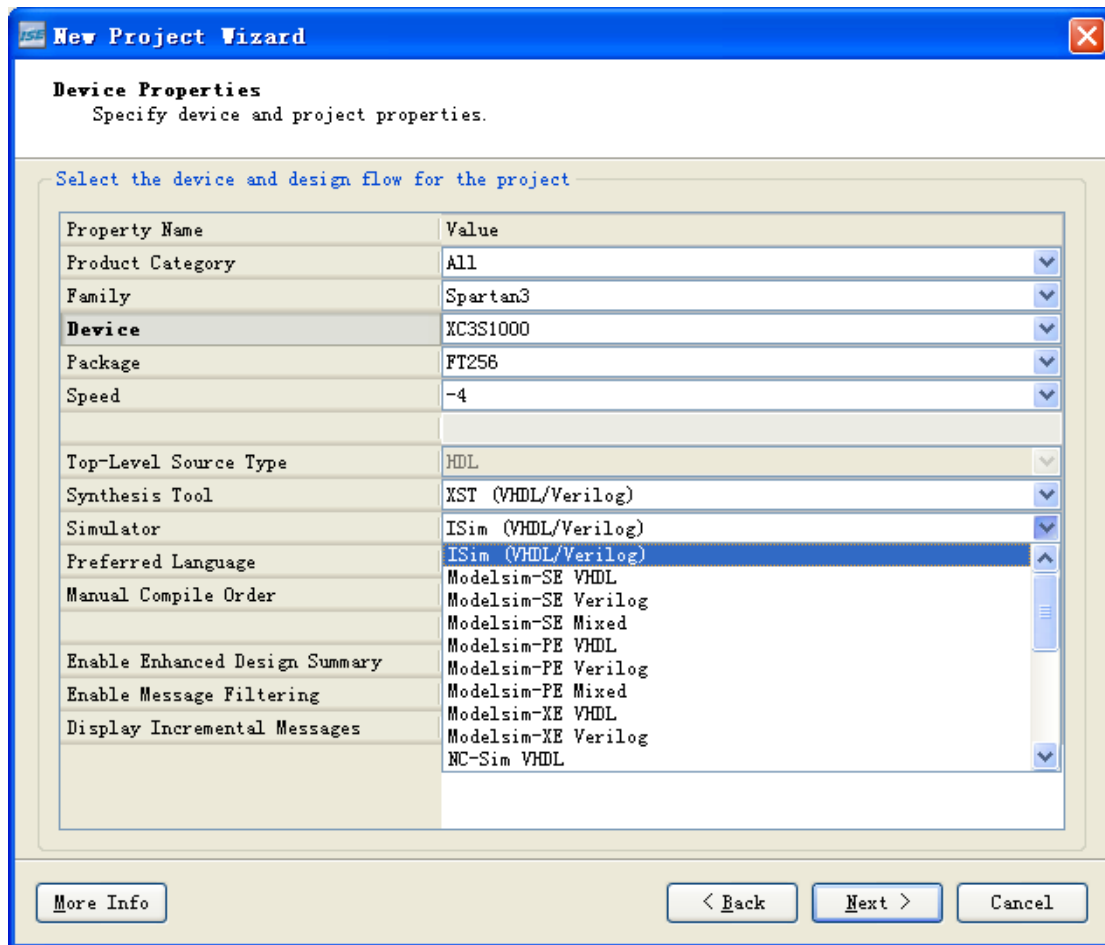
Simulator tool

Generated Simulation Language

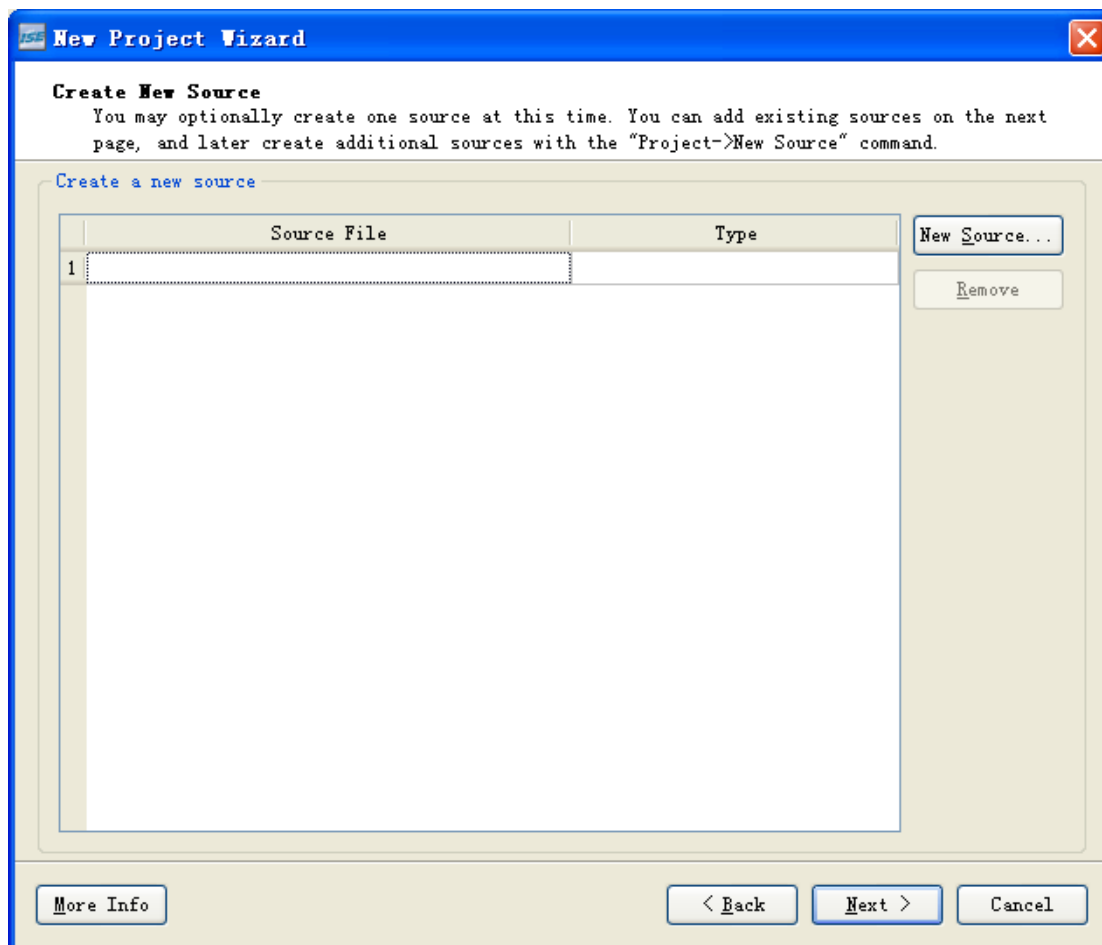
Simulator module language type

This experiment chooses synthesis tool and simulator tool ISE provided.

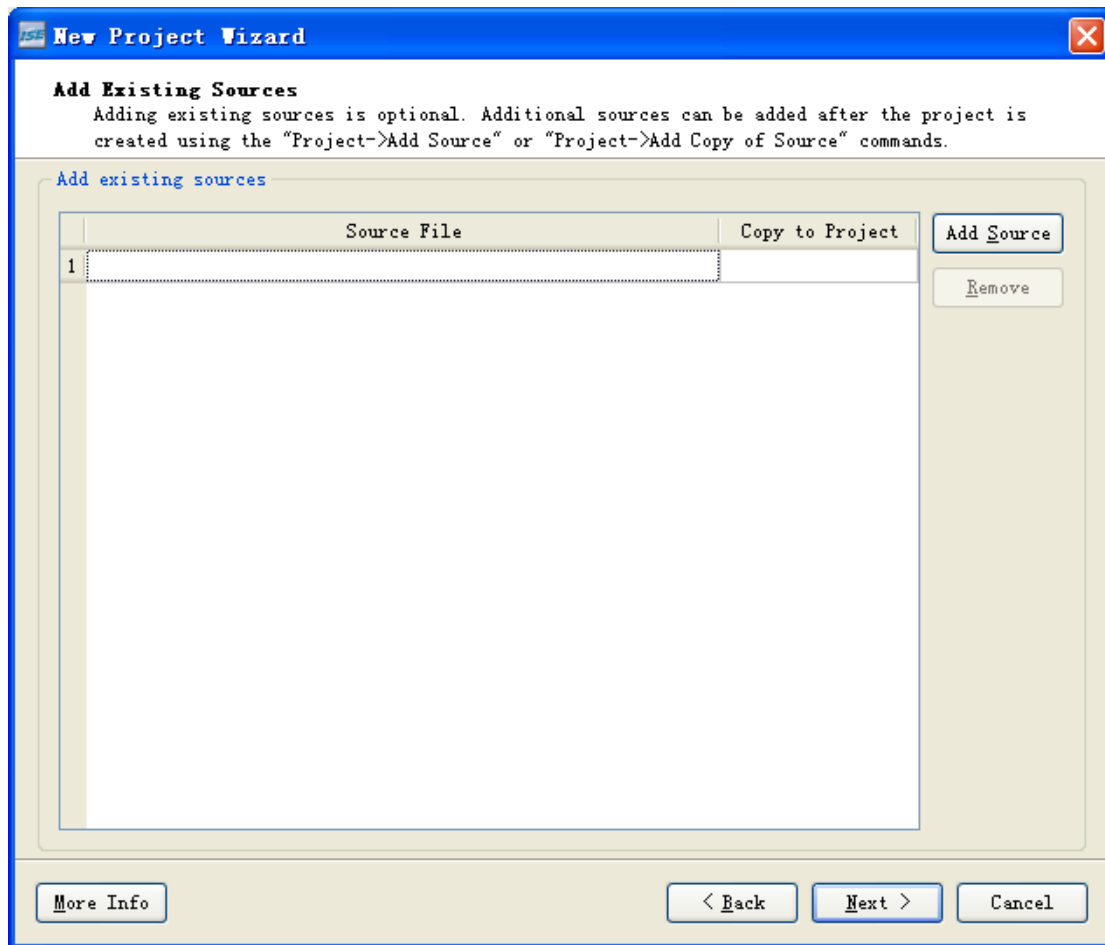
Here you can also choose the third party's application software:



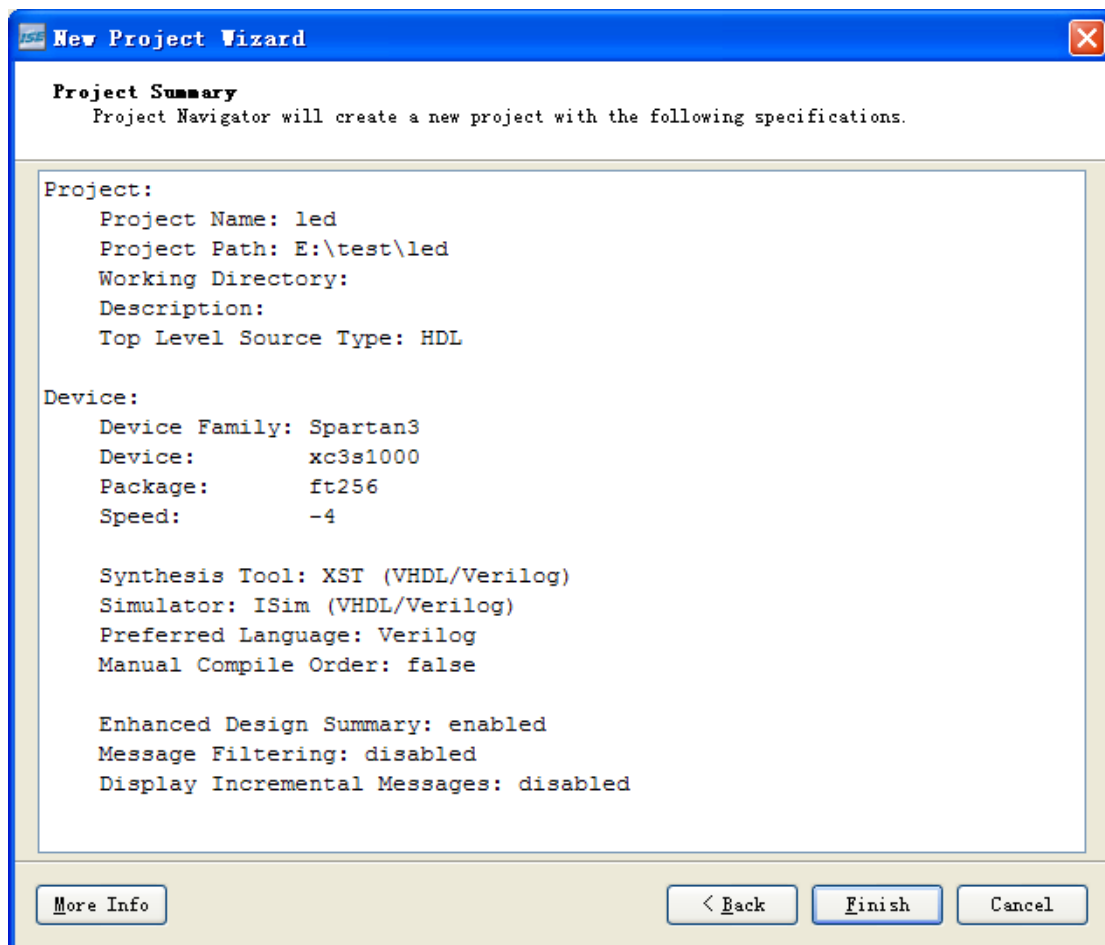
Modelsim and Synplify Pro are general third party simulator and synthesis software. Here if we choose third part software to simulator and synthesis, the ISE Navigator will search and open related software in the following steps. Fill FPGA type and used synthesis, simulator software and then, click Next:



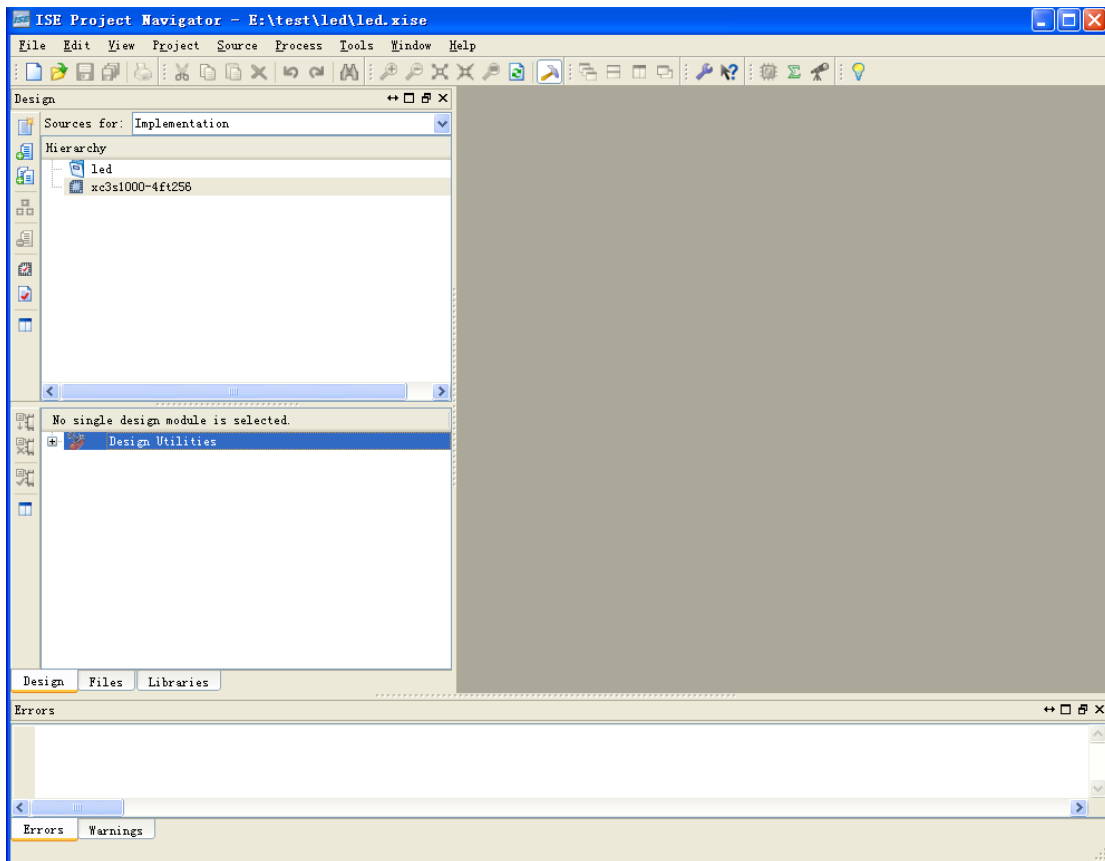
In this dialog, allow user to set up a new source file for the project to be set. Here can only set up one source file. Others have to be found after the project set. Or you may set up all source files after the project set. Here directly click Next:



In this dialog, add the existed source file for the project to be set up. If there is no existed source file, directly click Next:

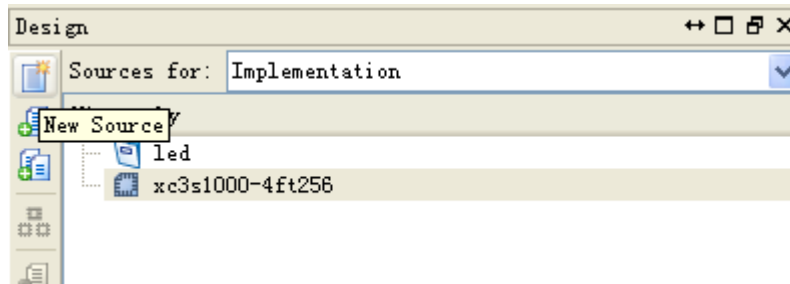


In this dialog, shows all of the information of the project to be set up. Confirm it and click finish. Project Navigator will set up one project named led automatically.

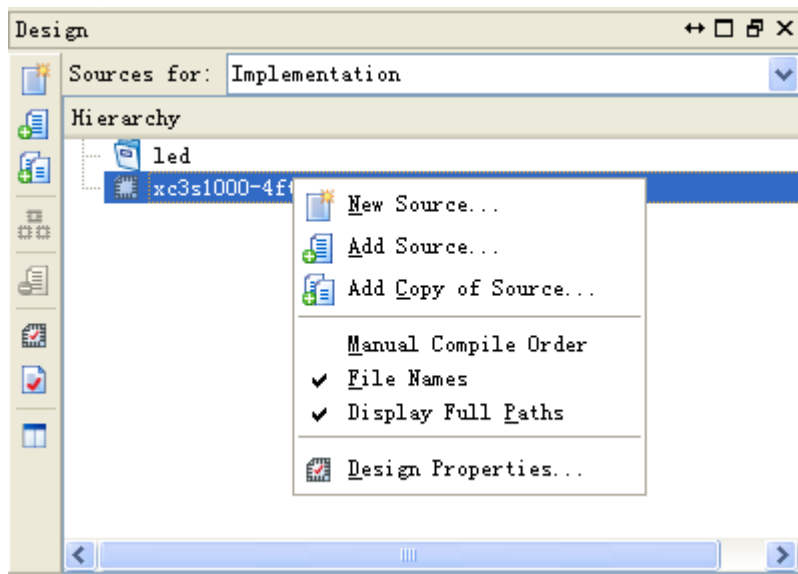


III. Add source files for the project

You need to add source files after set up project. Steps are as following:
Set up source file: click New source in design.

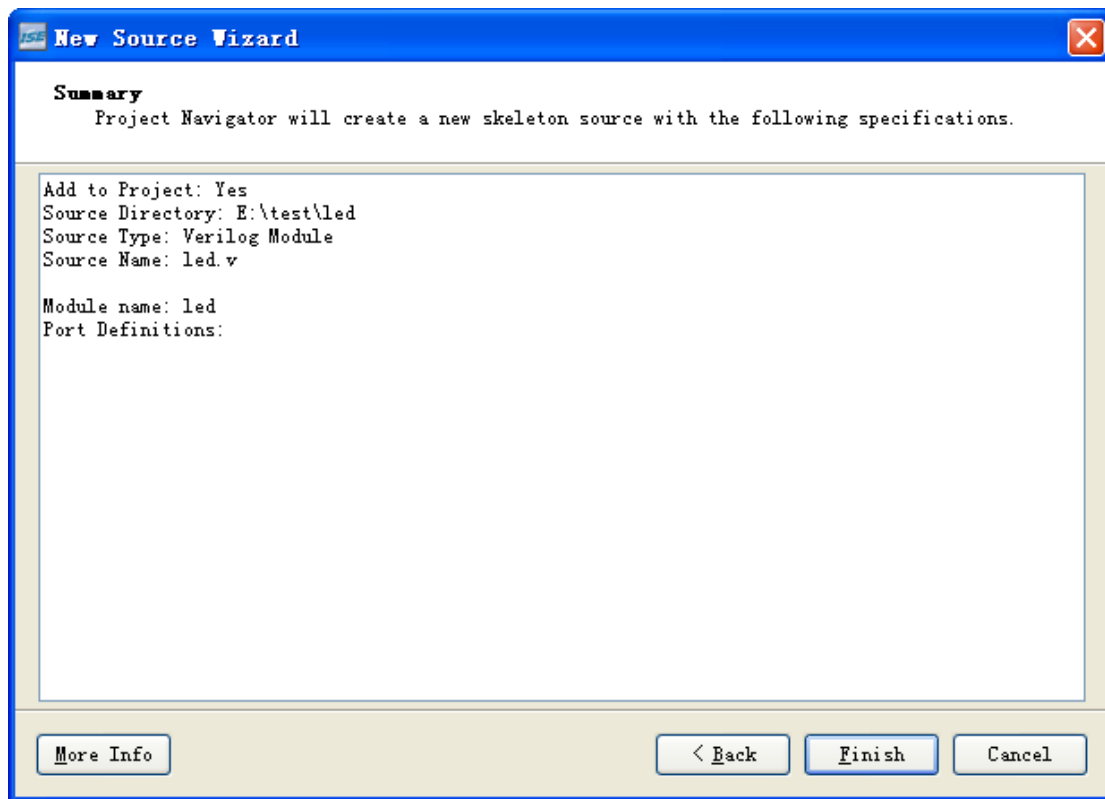


Or you may click right key of mouse on the icon xc3s1000-4ft256 in the dialog Module View to choose option New Source...

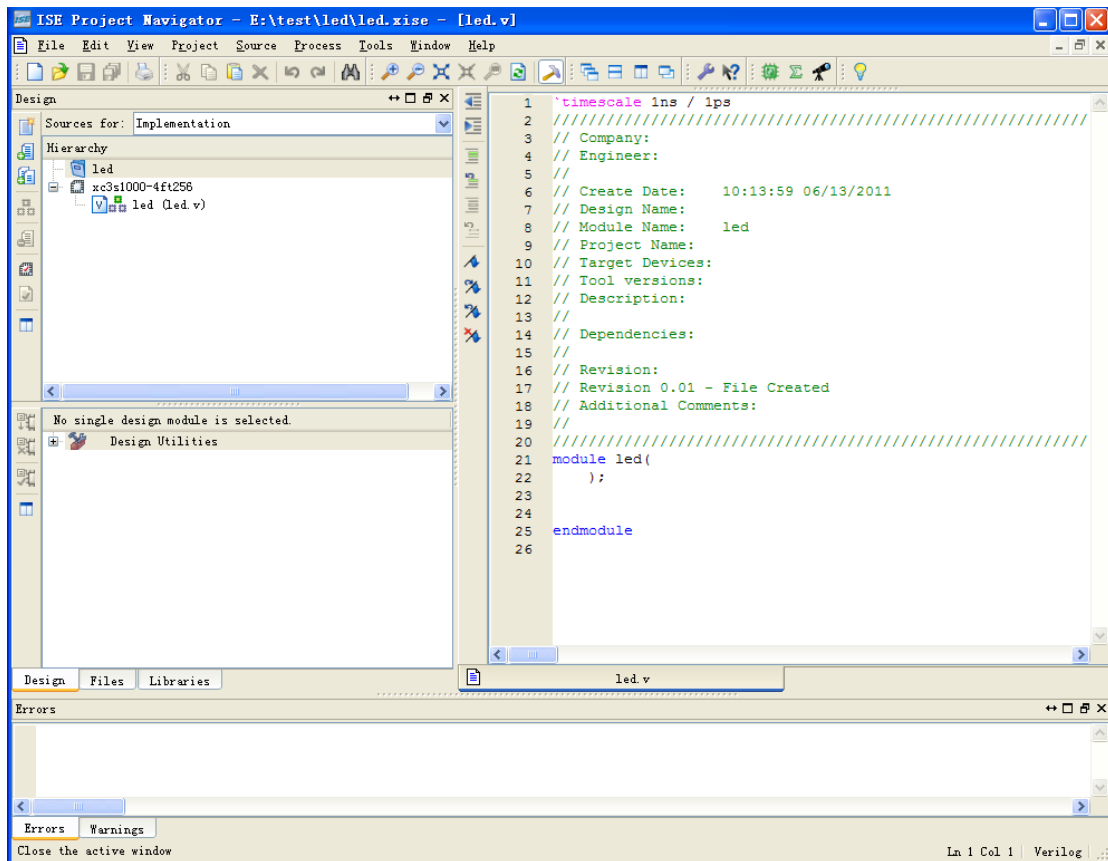


After choose New Source, the following dialog will pop out:

You can fill the source files' module names and pin definitions in the upper dialog. Or you don't input here. Input when write programs by yourself. Click Next:



Confirm the information, and then click finish. It will generate source file named led.v.



Input the program:

```
module sw_led(clk, rst, sw0, sw1, sw2, sw3, led0, led1, led2, led3, led4,
              led5, led6, led7);
```

```
    input      clk;
    input      rst;
    input      sw0;
    input      sw1;
    input      sw2;
    input      sw3;
    output     led0;
    output     led1;
    output     led2;
    output     led3;
    output     led4;
    output     led5;
    output     led6;
    output     led7;
```

```
    wire       led0;
    wire       led1;
    wire       led2;
    wire       led3;
    wire       led4;
```

```
wire          led5;
wire          led6;
wire          led7;

wire [3 :0] sw;
reg [7 :0] led;

assign sw = {sw0,sw1,sw2,sw3};
assign {led0,led1,led2,led3,led4,led5,led6,led7}=led;

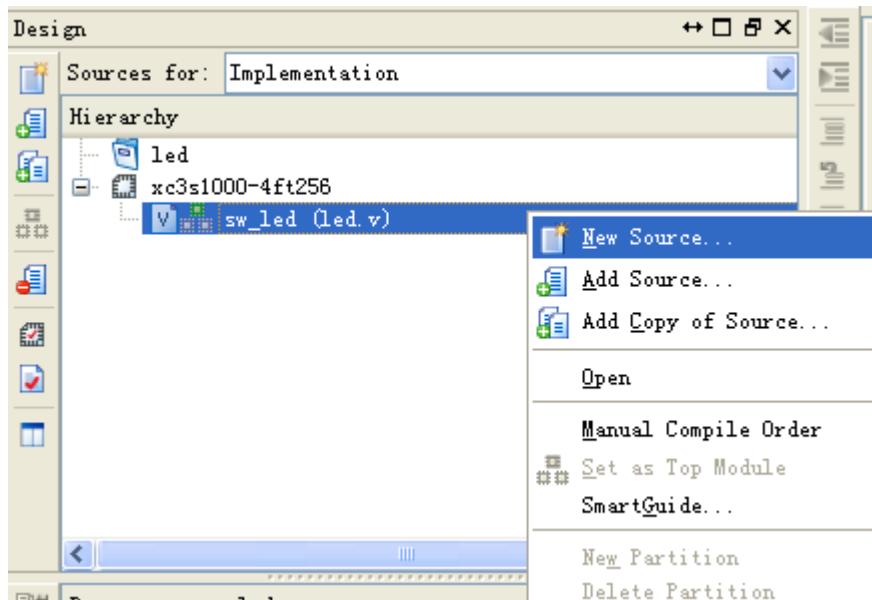
always @ ( posedge clk or negedge rst)
begin
    if(!rst)
        led<='b0;
    else
        case ( sw )
            4'b0001: led <= 8'b0000_0001;
            4'b0010: led <= 8'b0000_0010;
            4'b0100: led <= 8'b0000_0100;
            4'b1000: led <= 8'b0000_1000;
            4'b0011: led <= 8'b0001_0000;
            4'b0110: led <= 8'b0010_0000;
            4'b1100: led <= 8'b0100_0000;
            4'b1001: led <= 8'b1000_0000;
            default: led <= 8'b0000_0000;
        endcase
    end
endmodule
```

After input the program, you have to save the source file.

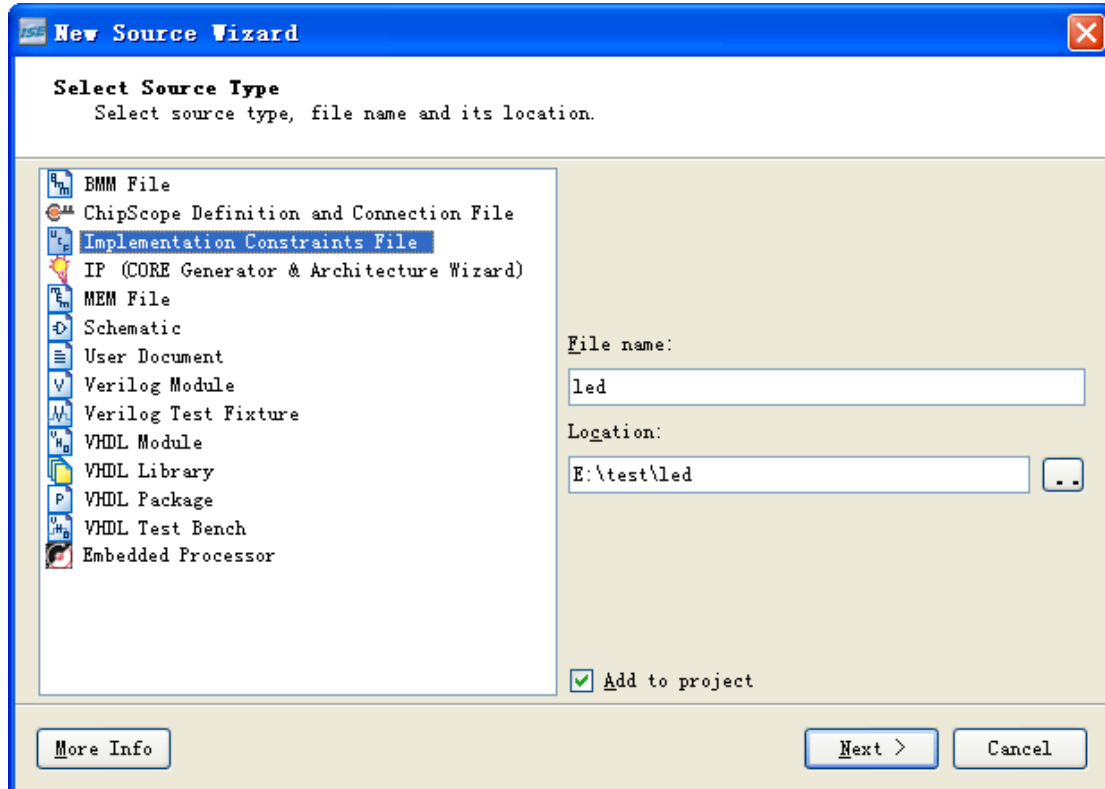
IV. Edit constraint

After input the source program, you can edit constraint and plan the direction of the placement and routing.

Click right in the source file and choose New Source

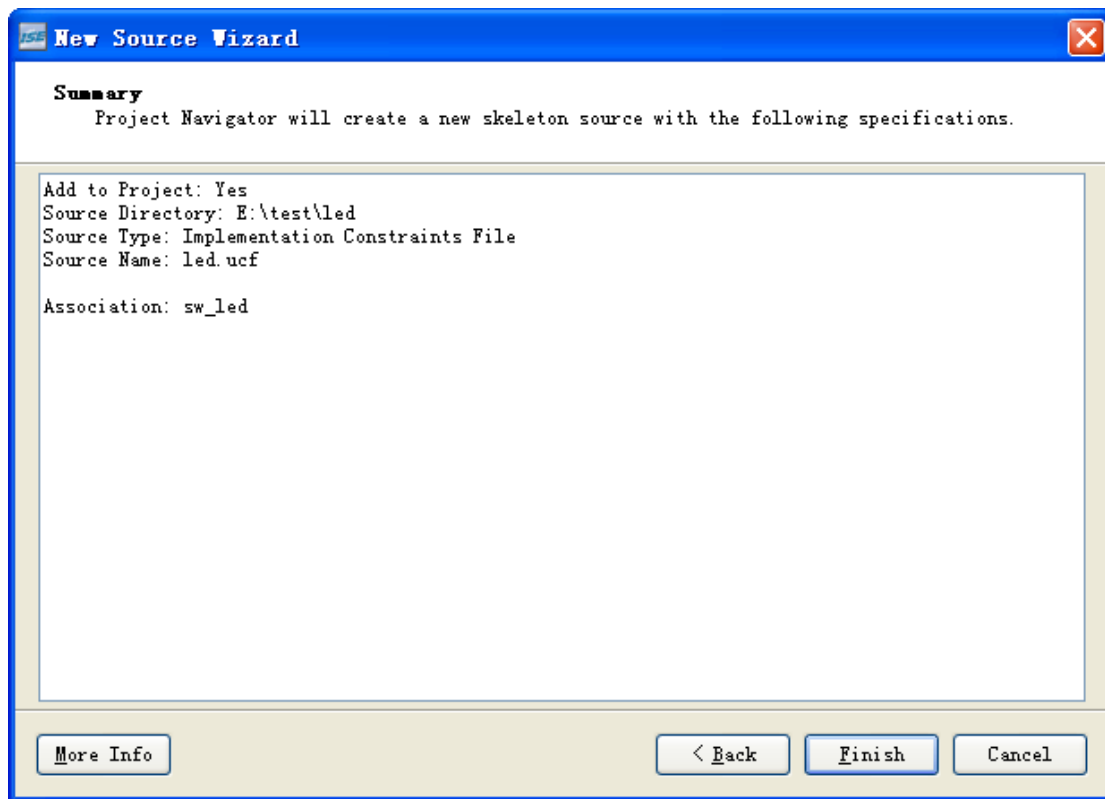


After choose New Source will come out the following dialog:



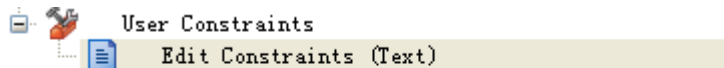
Fill the name of the constraint file to be generated in the column File Name on the right. The path normally is in the project folder which needn't

to be changed without any special requirements. You have to choose Add to project, and then choose the constraint file type in the left icons. Click Next:



Confirm information and click Finish

Double click Edit Constraints (Text), and input program

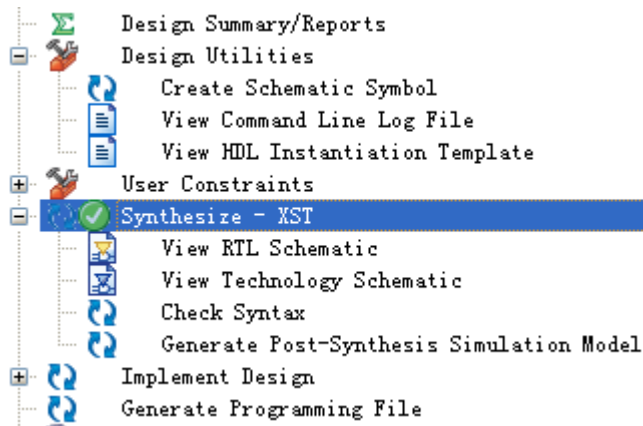


```
NET "clk" LOC = "T9" ;
NET "led0" LOC = "A5" ;
NET "led1" LOC = "A7" ;
NET "led2" LOC = "A3" ;
NET "led3" LOC = "D5" ;
NET "led4" LOC = "B4" ;
NET "led5" LOC = "A4" ;
NET "led6" LOC = "C5" ;
NET "led7" LOC = "B5" ;
NET "rst" LOC = "K14" ;
NET "sw0" LOC = "R12" ;
NET "sw1" LOC = "P11" ;
NET "sw2" LOC = "R11" ;
NET "sw3" LOC = "M10" ;
Save files
```


V. Synthesis

(一) Synthesis

In the dialog Process View, double click Synthesize - XST



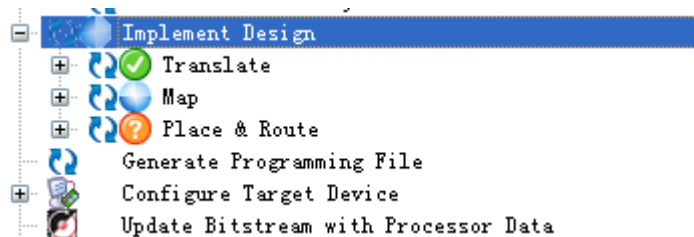
Here ISE will analysis the project module designed just now automatically. Check whether has grammar mistake or not (Check Syntax). Check whether can synthesize module.

In the running window, double click Implement Design。ISE will run the following steps automatically:

Translate (Translate) : Translate the module description language to CLB language which can be mapped.

Map (Map) : Map the description language to the logic unit which can be existed in the FPGA.

Place and route (Place & Route) : Arrange and connect logic unit internal of the FPGA.



If succeed, we can check the FPGA source which have been used already in Design Summary.

VI. Download (make sure development board has been connected to PC)

After placement and routing finished, you can download program to development board to debug. Connect the development board to PC correctly. The development board provides two download ways: JTAG and PROM. The difference is JTAG download used to online debugging which won't be saved if power off; PROM mode burns the program into

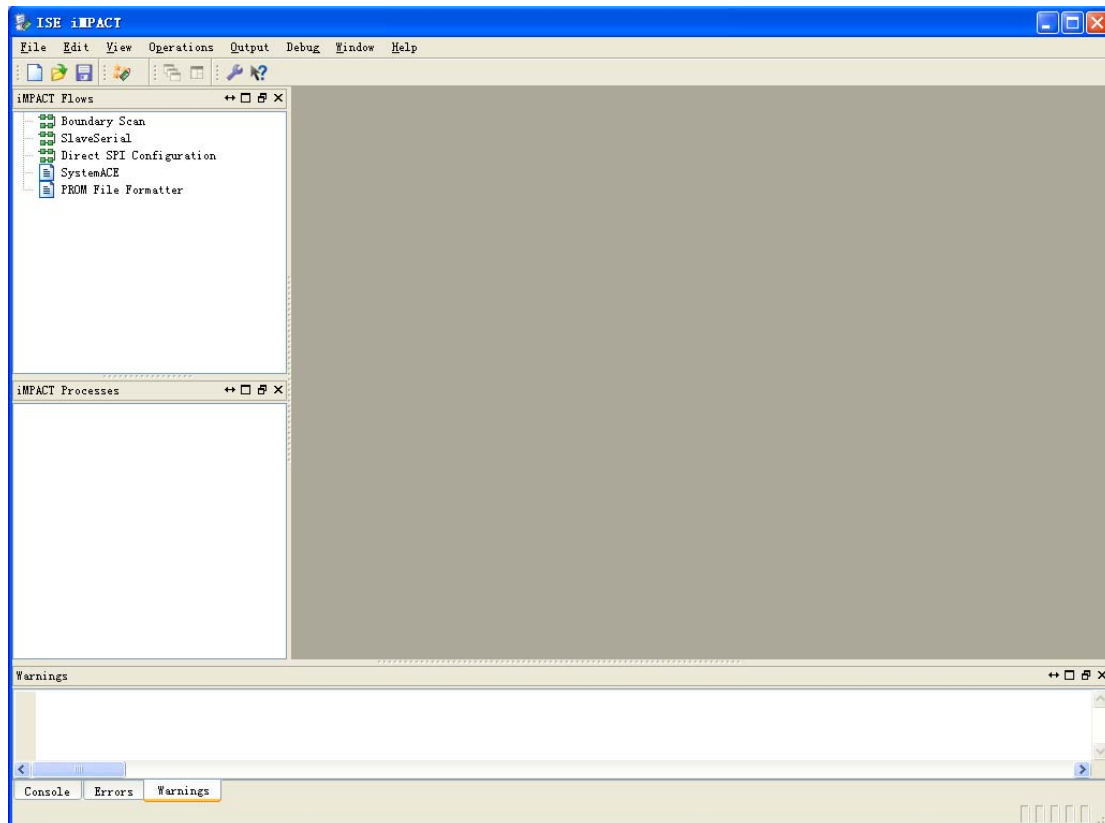
the memory which will load automatically when power on.

On Process View, double click icon Generate Programming File.

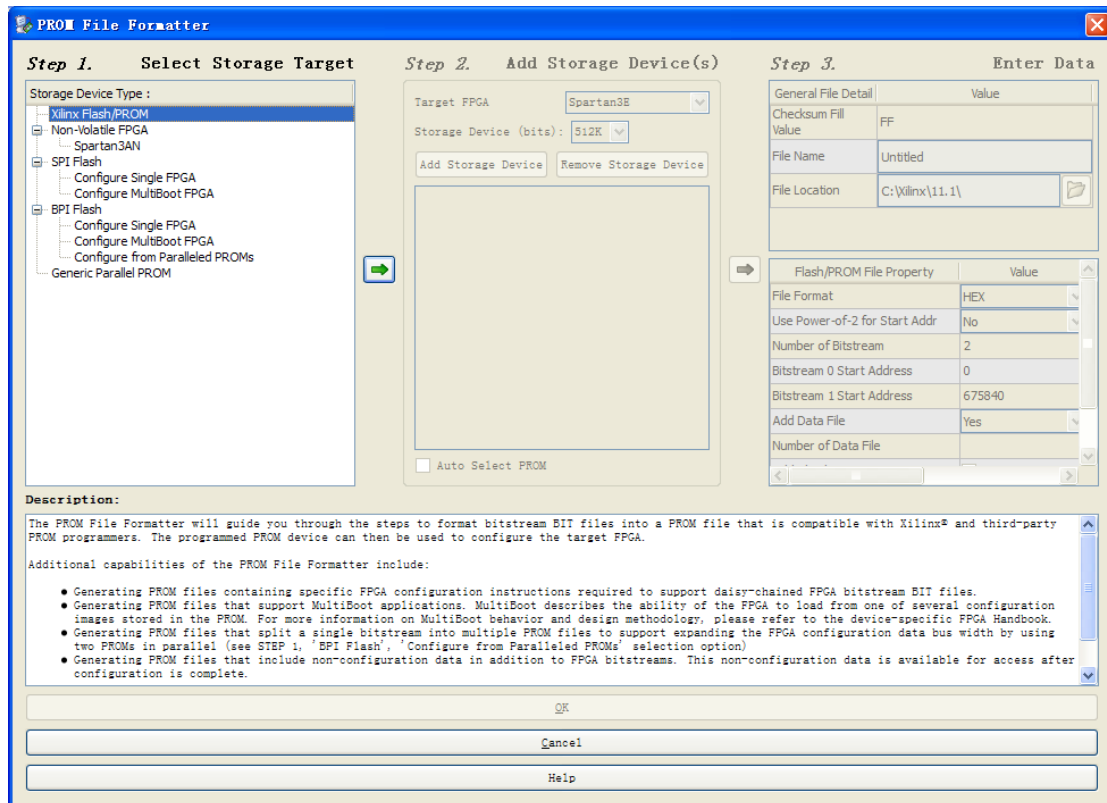




ISE will generate bit file for JTAG mode download. The green pair numbers on the left of Generate Programming File means the download files have been generated successfully.

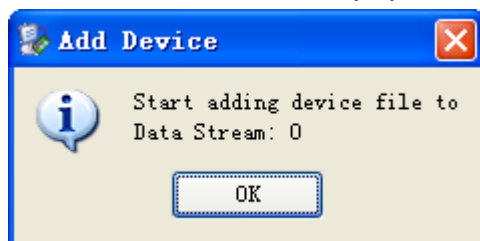
Double click the icon Configure Device (iMPACT) in the dialog Process View and open the following dialog:



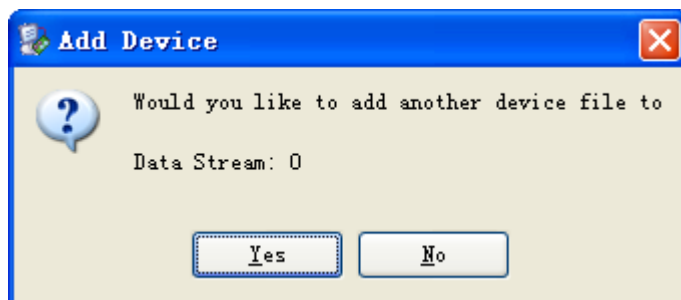
PROM mode download is save the program in the memory (the development board uses Xilinx company's xcf04s). When the development board is powered on, FPGA will load the programs in the memory automatically. Detailed operation steps are as following: double click PROM File Formatter, and comes out the dialog as the picture shows:



Click , choose xcf04s, click Add Storage Device, click , fill the name of the file to be save in File Name, choose the save path in File Location. Click OK, pop the dialog:



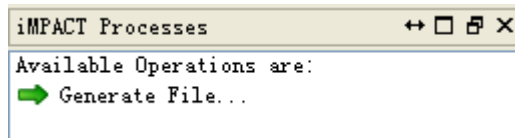
Click OK, add file sw_led.bit, and pop the dialog:




The upper dialog asks whether add another device file or not. Choose No:



Click OK. Set up PROM download file. Double click Generate File in iMPACT Processes:



ISE will generate the hex PROM download file whose suffix is .MCS for us automatically. If succeed, the following picture will come out:

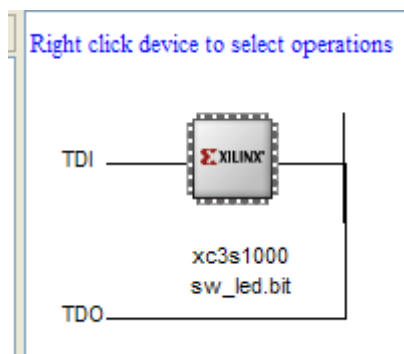



Generate Succeeded

Double click Boundary Scan, and comes following dialog:

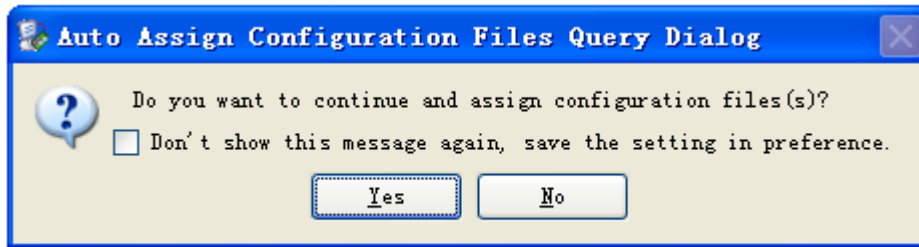
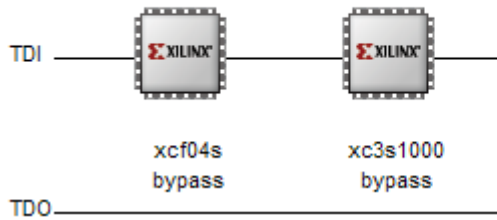
[Right click to Add Device or Initialize JTAG chain](#)

Click right, Add Xilinx Device, choose file sw_led.bit, and comes following dialog. Choose ok and see the link which scanned by ISE to development board:

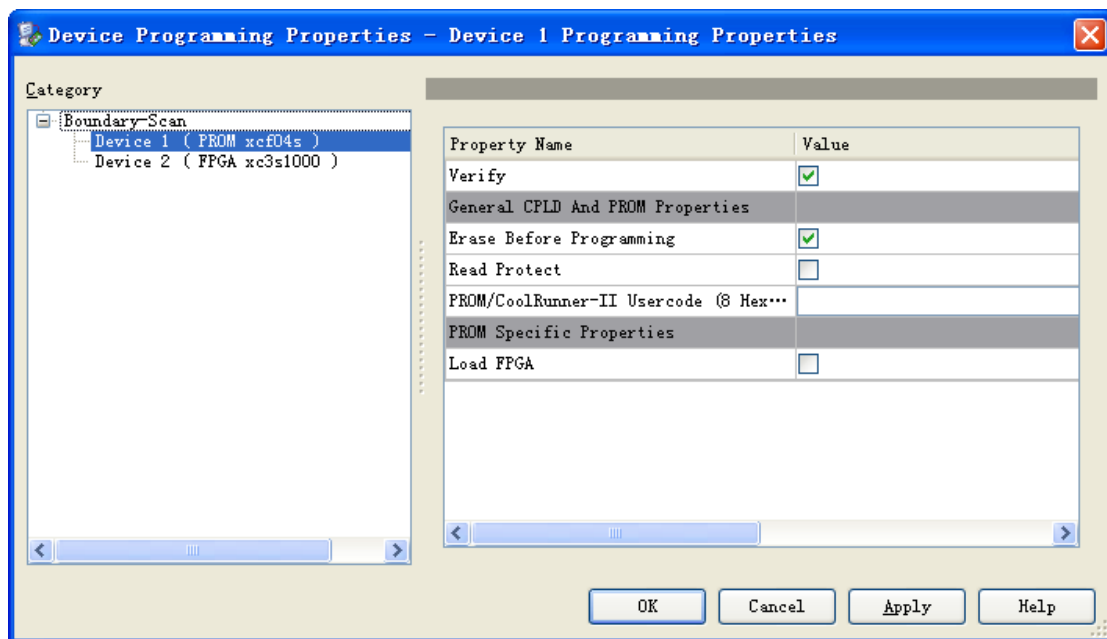


Add PROM, click  on the tool bar, comes dialog:

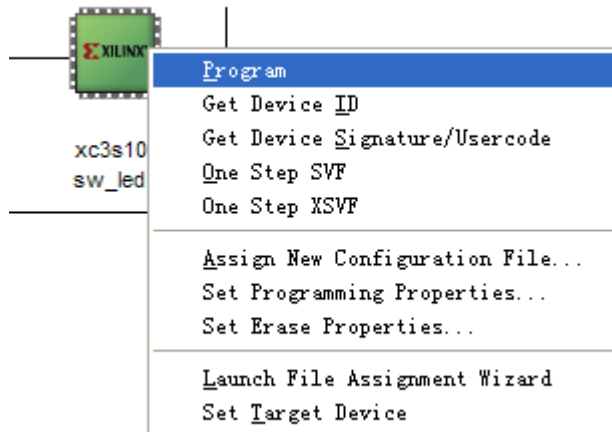
Right click device to select operations



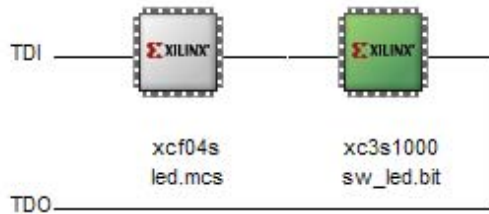
Choose Yes. Add generated file led.mcs in xcf04s. Add sw_led.bit into x3cs1000. Choose OK in the generated dialog.



Right click device icon and choose Program,



Then, can finish download. After download successfully, comes the following picture:



Program Succeeded

Finish all operation steps and can start to debug hardware on the development board.