POWERNAVIGATOR 5.4

DIGITAL MULTIPHASE USER GUIDE

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OVERVIEW

- This guide walks a user through the steps to setup and configure the ISL691xx and ISL681xx Digital Multiphase products using the PowerNavigator GUI. For all other Renesas Digital Power devices, please see the Digital Point of Load user guide.
- This guide is intended for use with PowerNavigator Revision 5.4.62
- This presentation contains the following sections that can be referred to depending on the stage of the design:
 - PowerNavigator Introduction
 - Running PowerNavigator
 - Creating a new project in offline mode
 - Connecting to Hardware and loading Project files
 - Creating HEX files for production programming



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INSTALLING POWERNAVIGATOR



Installing PowerNavigator

Download the latest version of PowerNavigator from:

www.intersil.com/powernavigator

- PowerNavigator Requires a Windows PC with Windows Vista or greater
- A driver is NOT required for the USB to PMBus adapter it uses the built-in Windows HID driver.

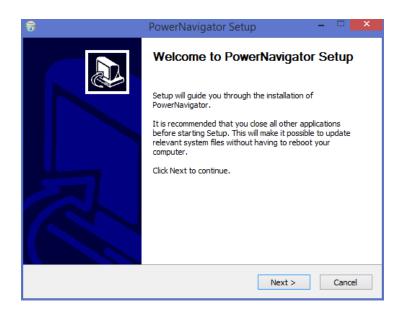


Installing PowerNavigator

Double Click installer to begin install process.



Click through PowerNavigator Setup Wizard to install.



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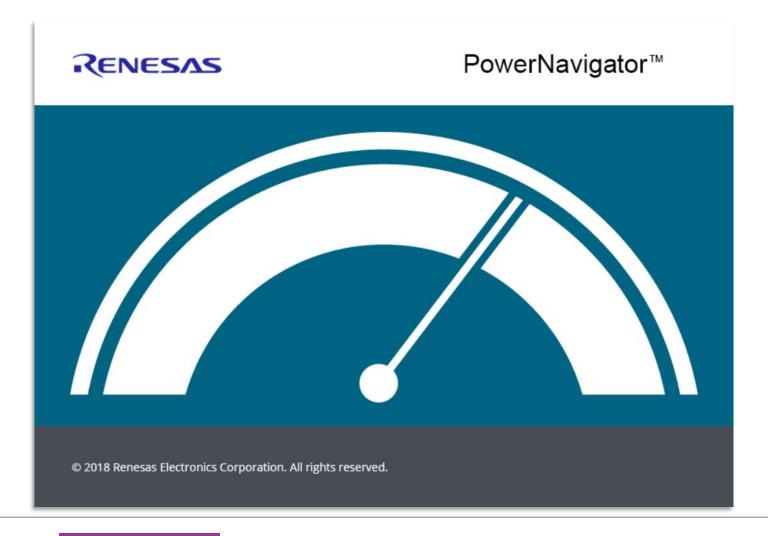
After installation is complete, PowerNavigator will be visible in Start Menu under "Intersil"



LAUNCHING POWERNAVIGATOR



PowerNavigator Launch Screen





PowerNavigator Launch Screen

Connected Devices:

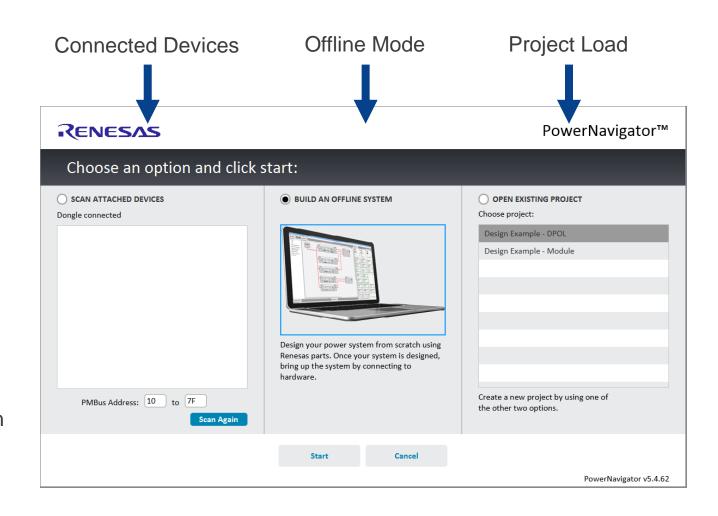
 Used for telemetry monitoring only. Device configuration changes cannot be made in this mode.

Offline Mode:

Used to create new projects

Project Load:

 Used to load an existing project or connect to existing hardware. Allows device configuration changes to be made.





Project Files

 Digital multiphase devices rely on Project Files for loading and editing configuration settings. It is not possible to read back the stored configuration settings from a multiphase controller, so proper use and maintenance of project files is critical.

Definitions:

- Project File: System level file that contains all project information, including individual configuration files.
- Config File: Unique file contained within the project file with the setup information for a single controller configuration

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• The project files can be found on your PC:

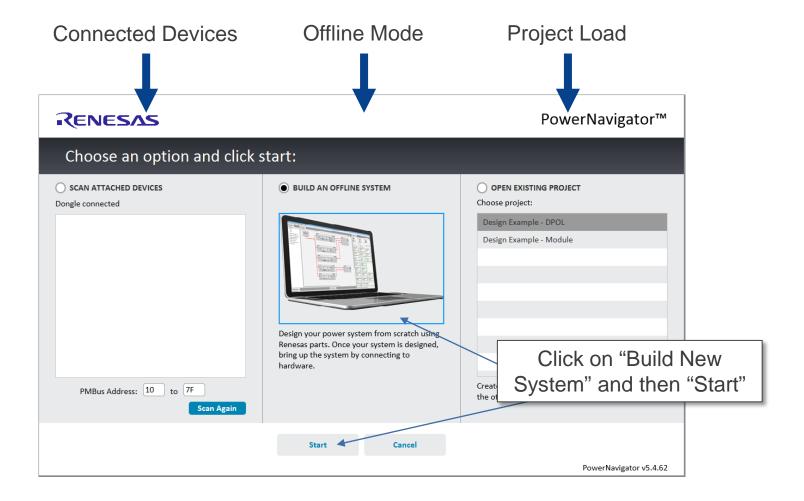
- C:\USERS\User Name\Documents\Intersil\PowerNavigator\Projects
- Project files for all Digital Multiphase demo boards are available from Renesas upon request



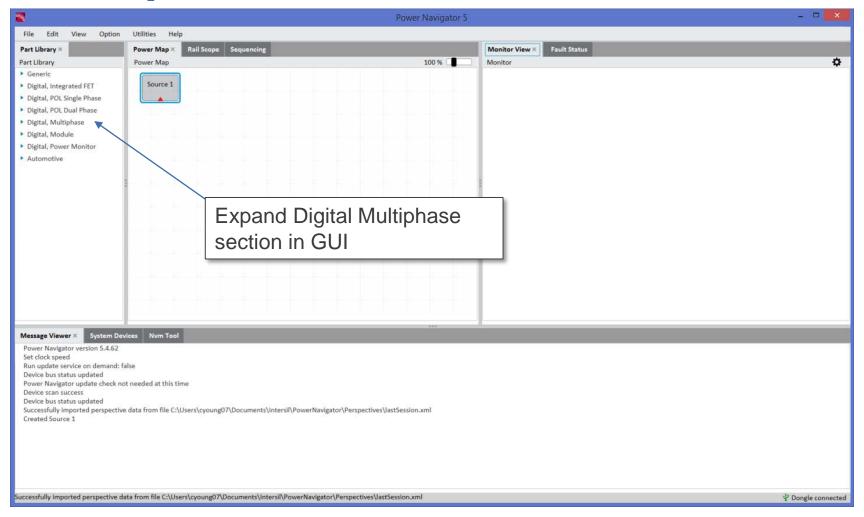
CREATING PROJECTS IN OFFLINE MODE



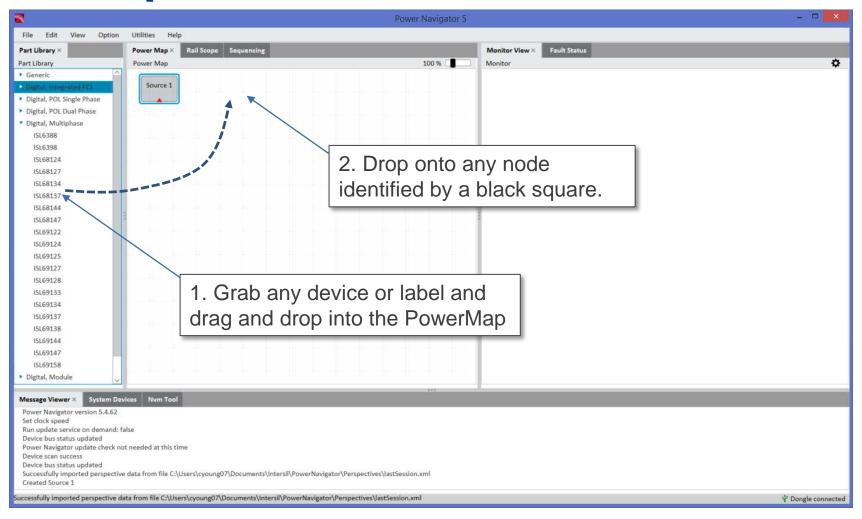
Digital Multiphase – Launch Screen



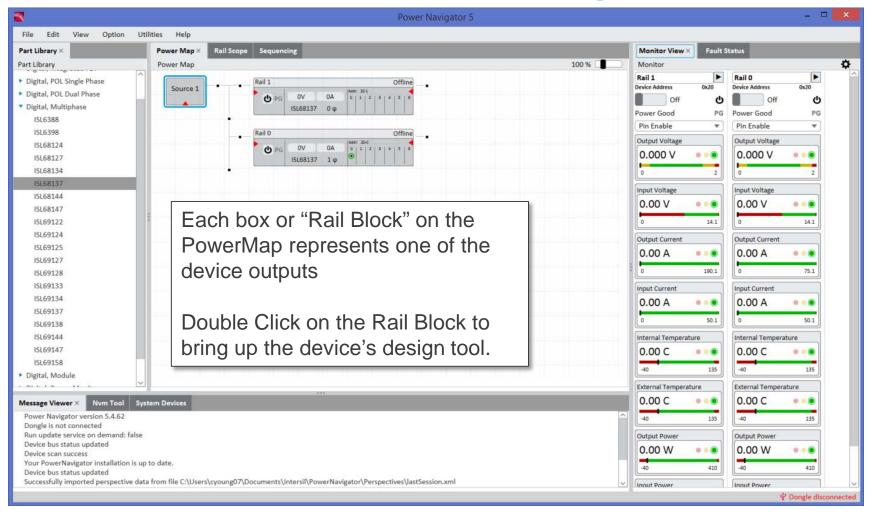
Digital Multiphase – Main Screen



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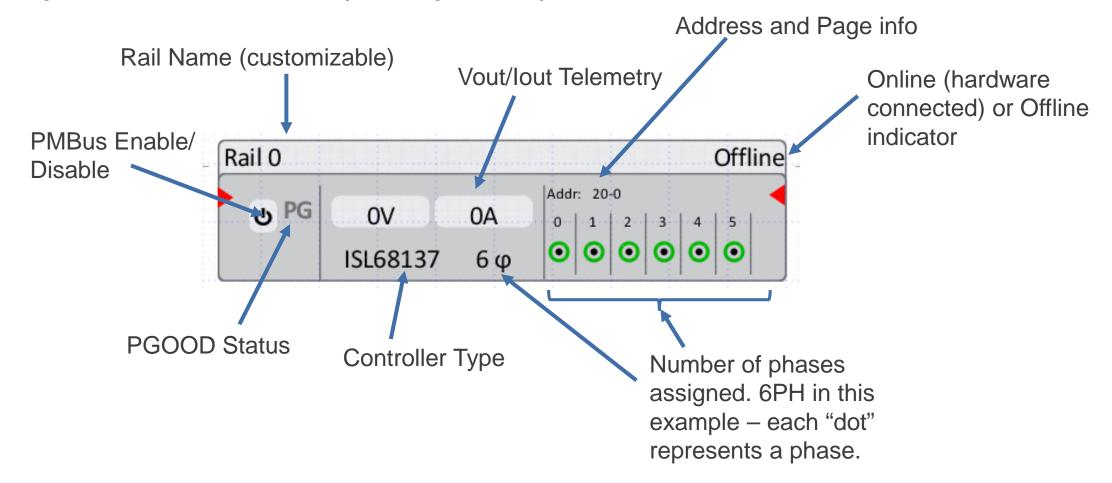


Digital Multiphase – PowerNavigator PowerMap

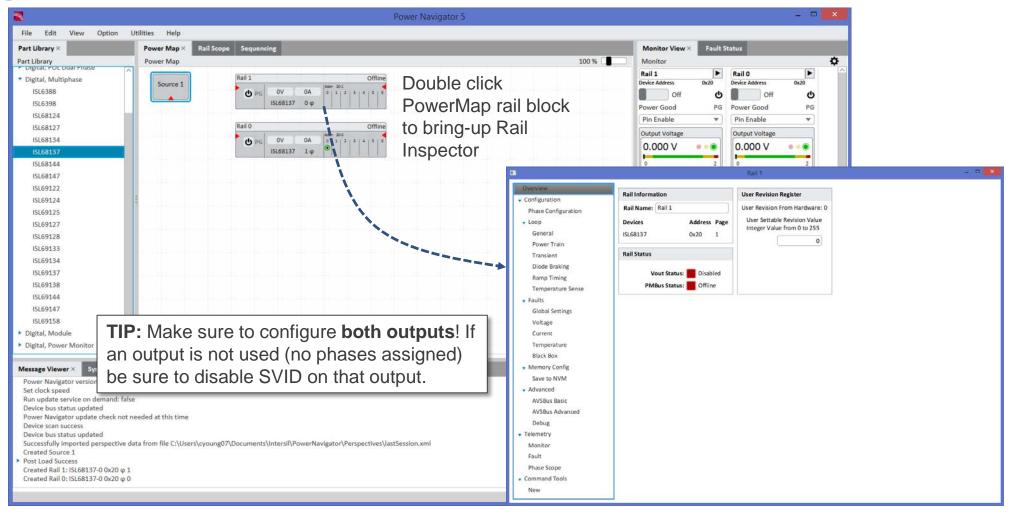


Digital Multiphase – PowerNavigator PowerMap

Example ISL68137 RailBlock (6-PH operation):

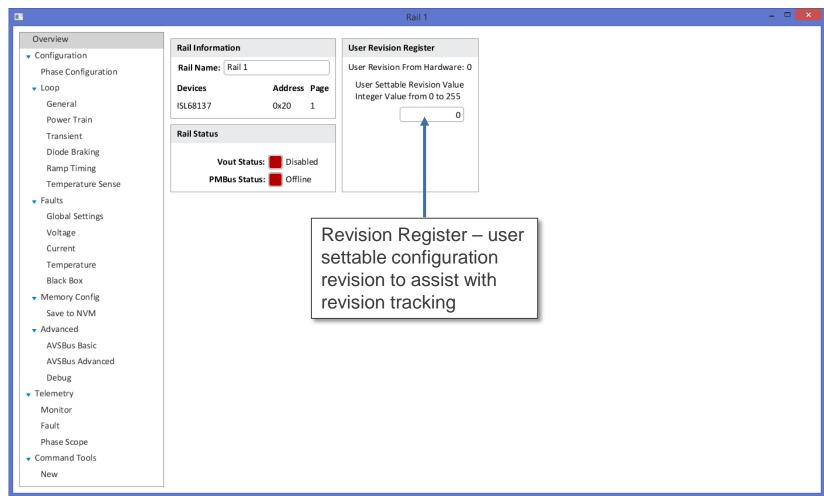


Digital Multiphase – PowerMap and Rail Inspector



Digital Multiphase – Rail Inspector

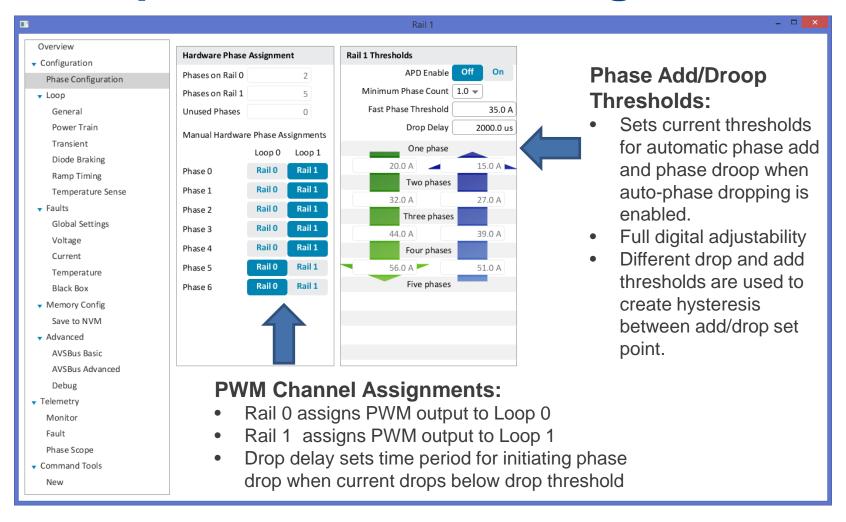
Rail Inspector Navigation panel



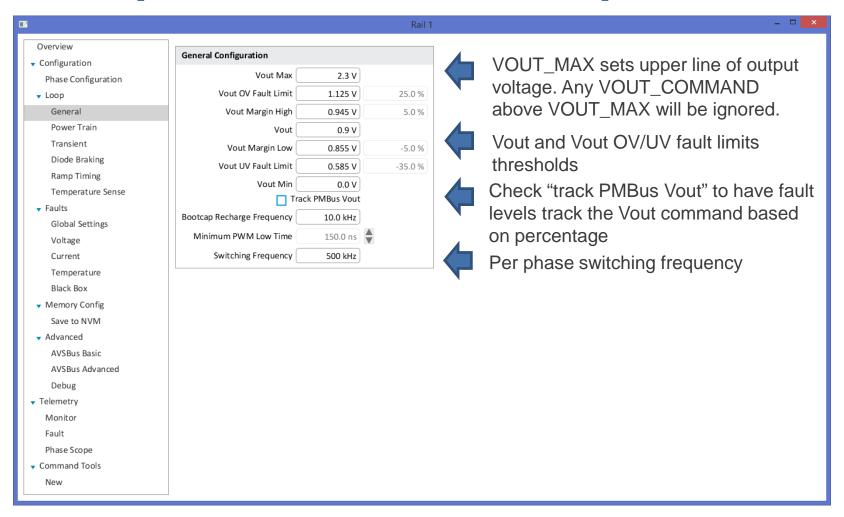


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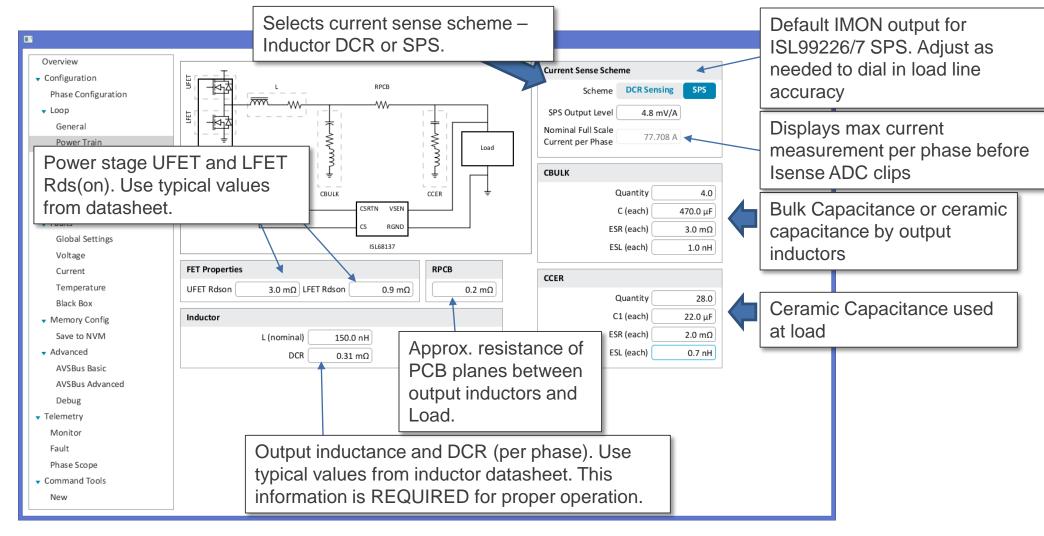
Digital Multiphase – Phase Configuration



Digital Multiphase – Device Setup

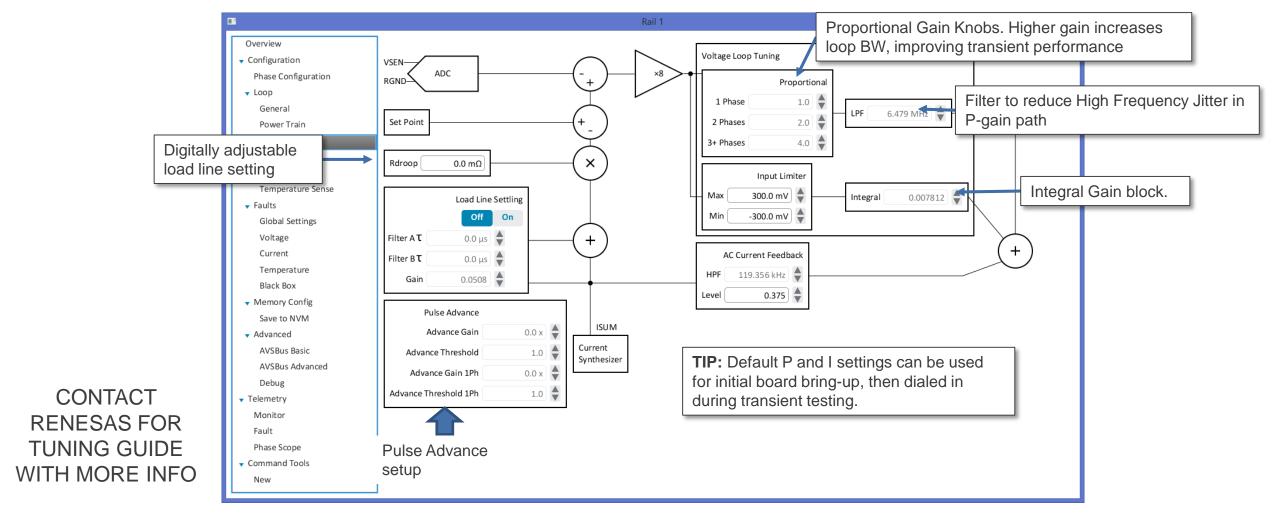


Digital Multiphase – Power Train Configuration



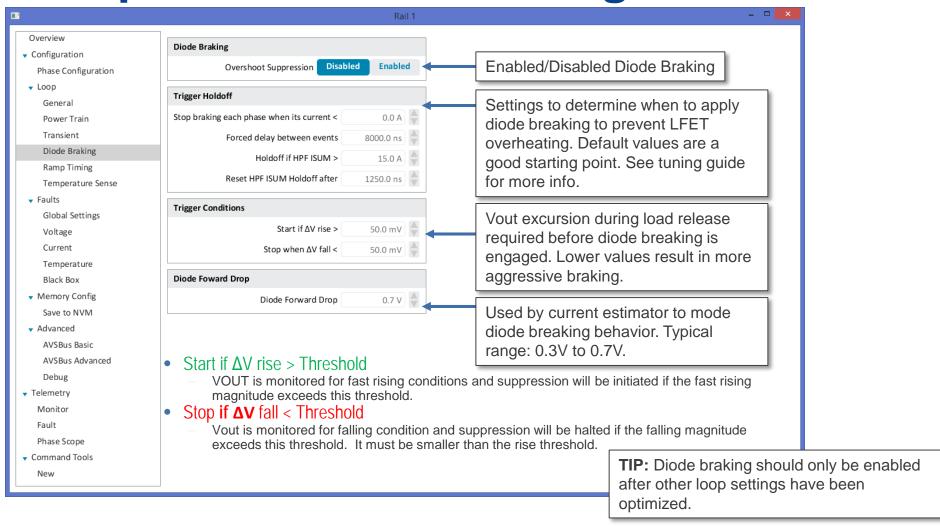


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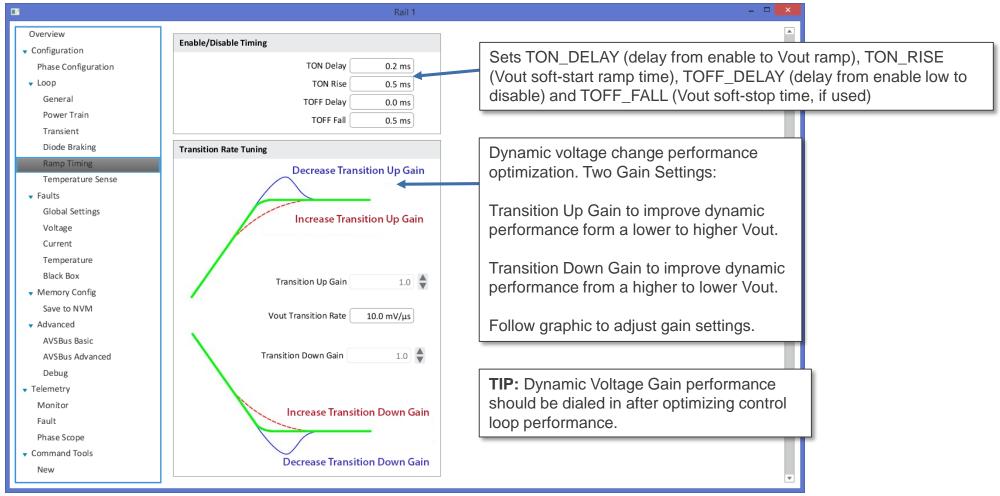


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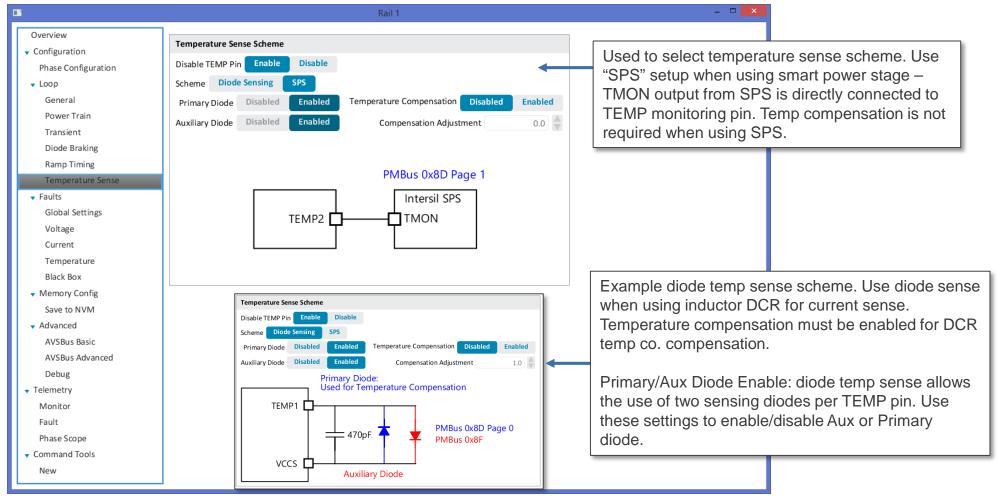
Digital Multiphase – Diode braking



Digital Multiphase – Dynamic Voltage Change Tuning

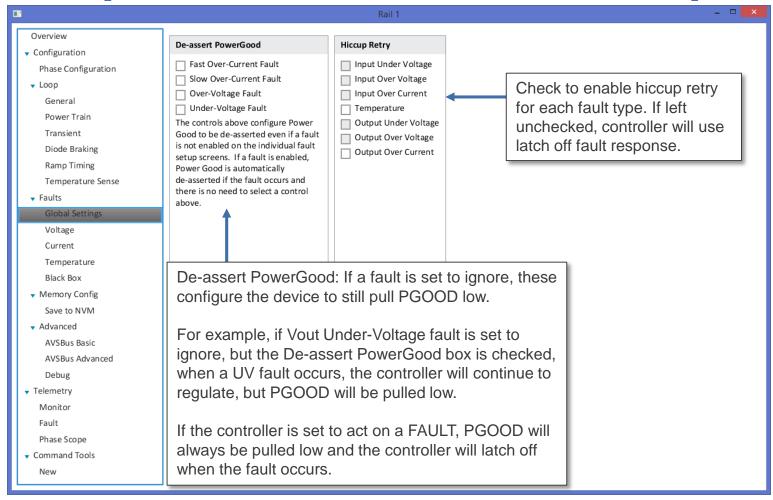


Digital Multiphase – Temp Sense Setup



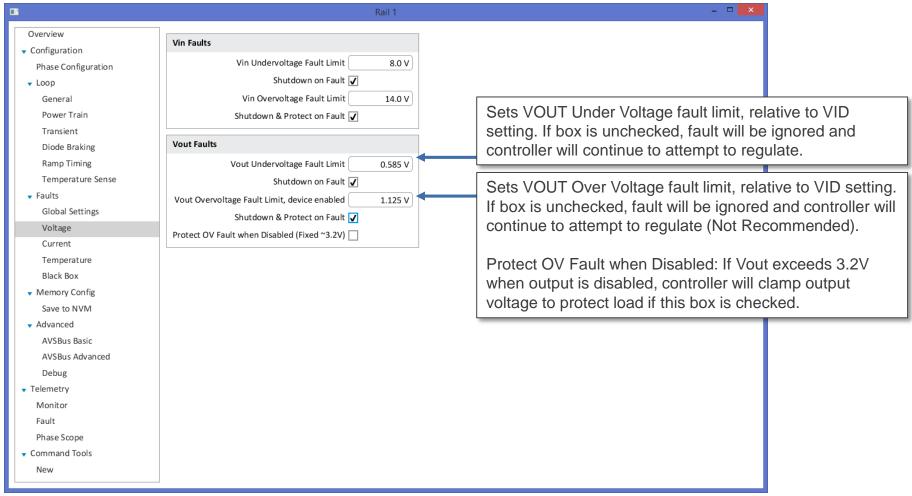
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Digital Multiphase – Global Fault Setup

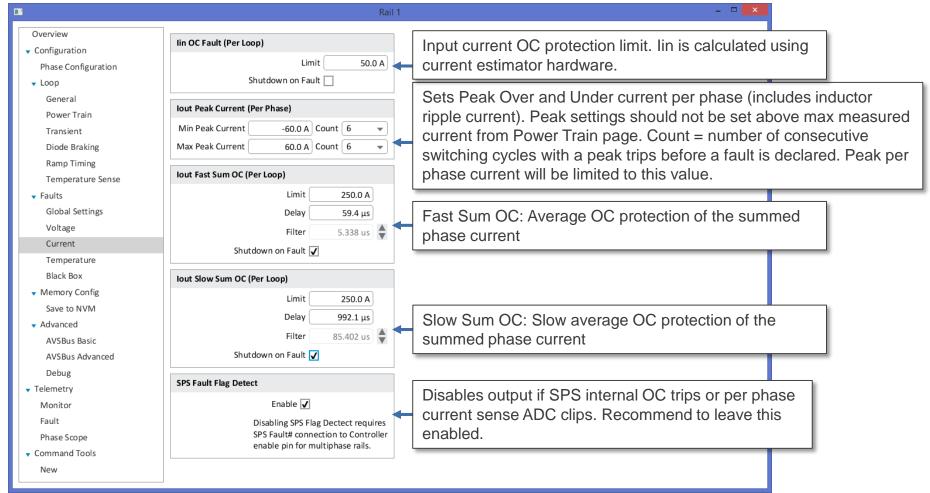


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Digital Multiphase – Vout Fault Configuration

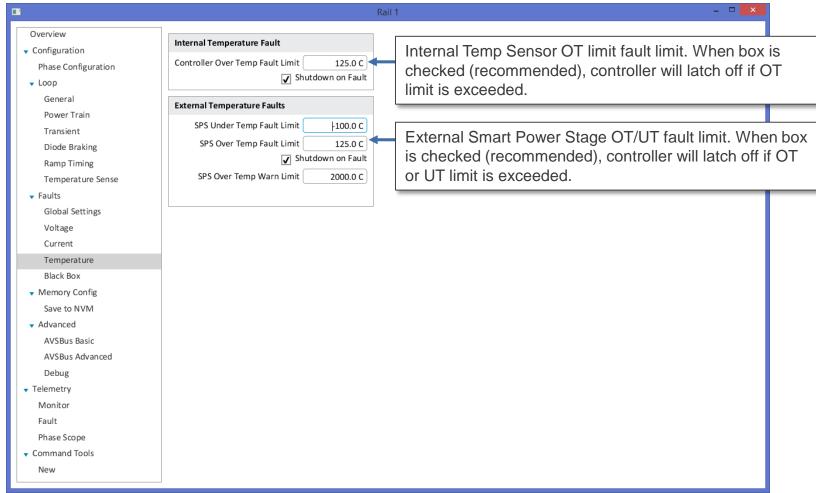


Digital Multiphase – Current Fault Configuration





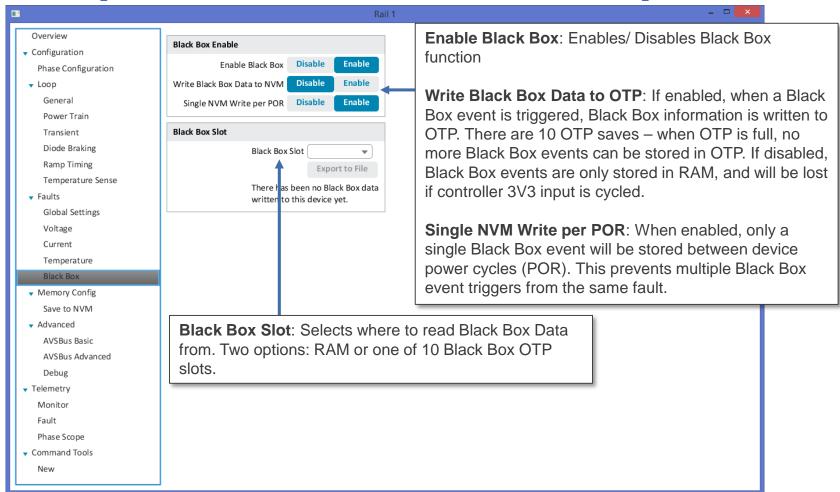
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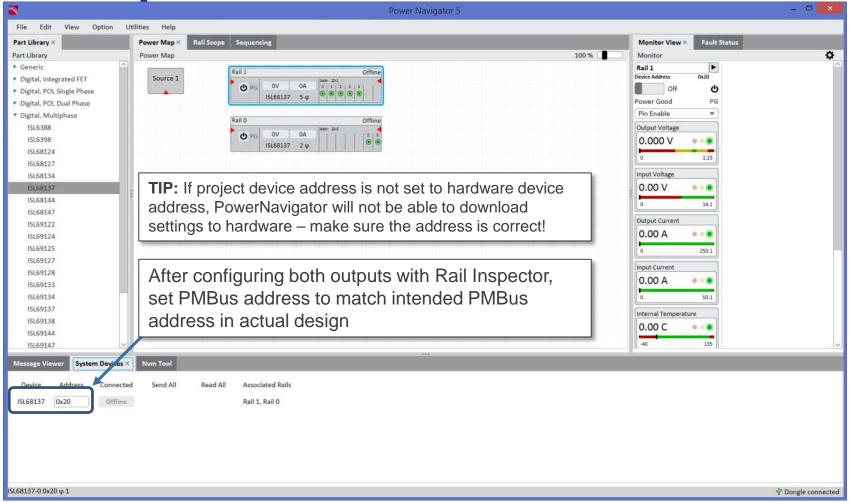


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Digital Multiphase – Black Box Setup

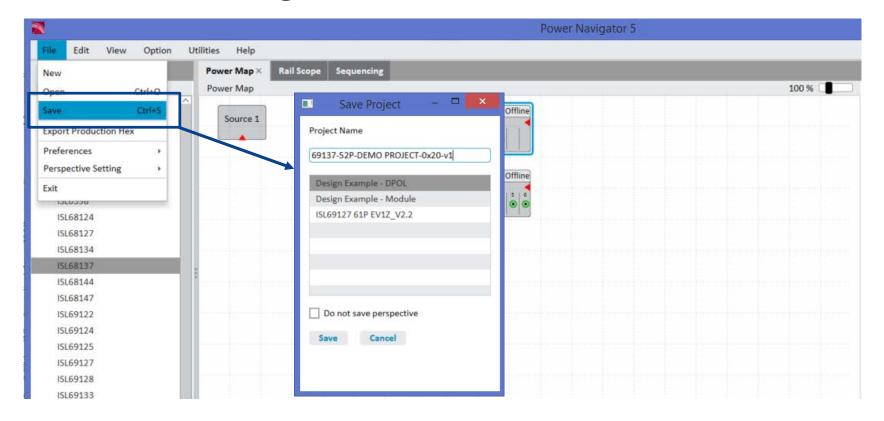


Digital Multiphase – Device PMBus Address Select



Offline Project Is Now Complete!

After reaching the NVM configuration screen on BOTH outputs, your offline project is now complete! Return to PowerNavigator main screen and save.



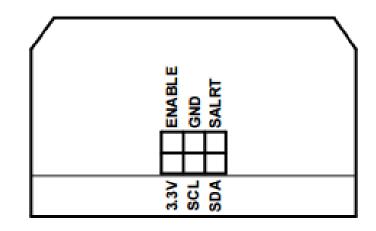
CONNECTING TO HARDWARE



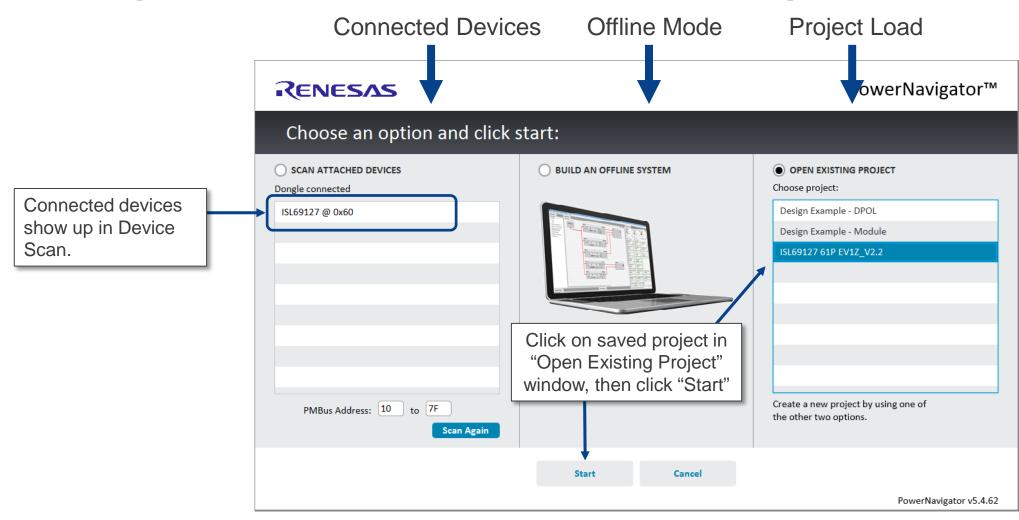
Connecting to Hardware

- Once the project file is complete, Renesas's USB to PMBus adapter (ZLUSBEVAL3Z) can be used to connect to hardware.
- To connect to the controller's PMBus interface, only SCL, SDA and GND connections from the adapter to the board are required.

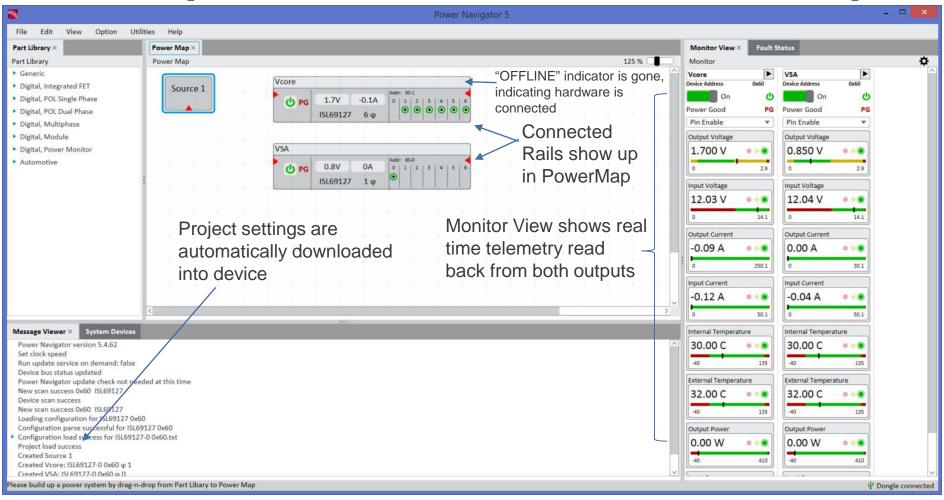




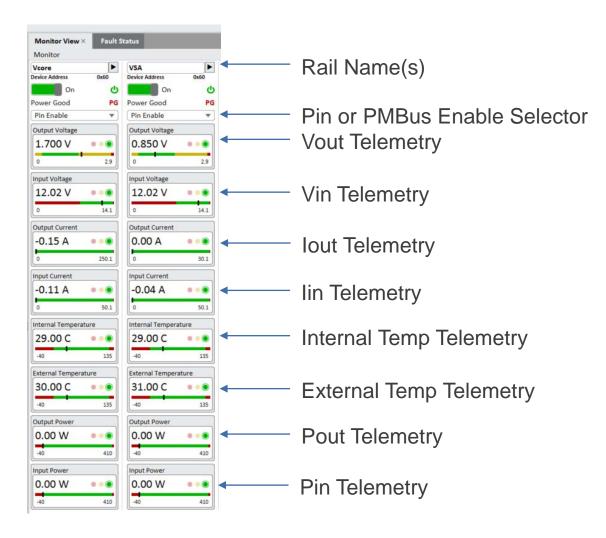
Digital Multiphase – Connecting to Hardware



Digital Multiphase – Connected PowerMap



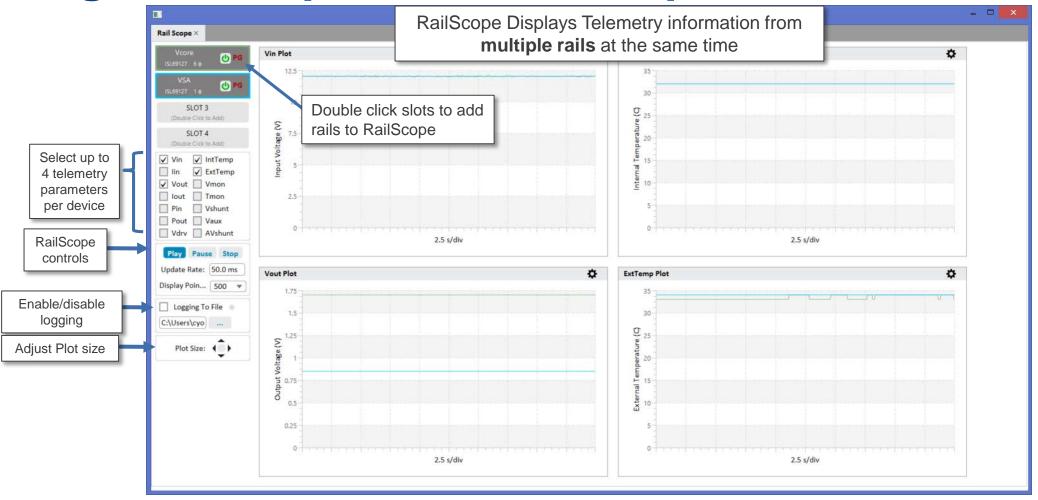
Digital Multiphase – Monitor View Screen



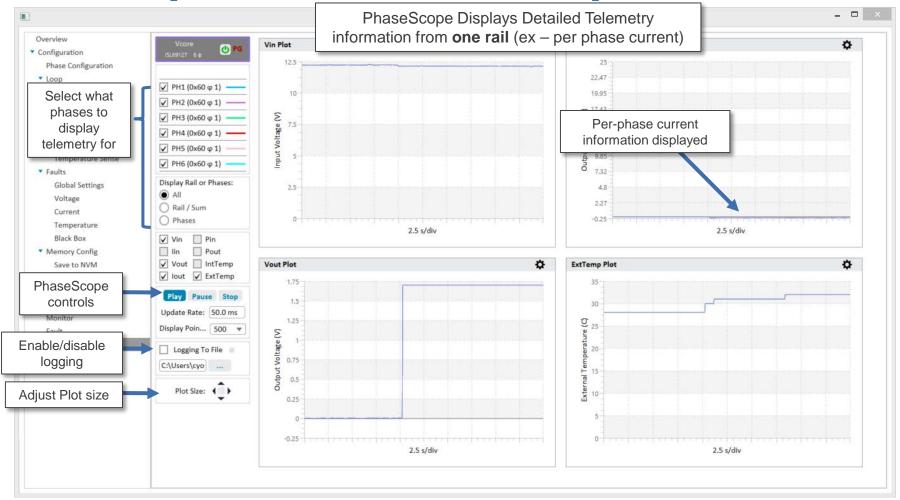
Using the Monitor View screen, all device telemetry is automatically read back and displayed in real time.

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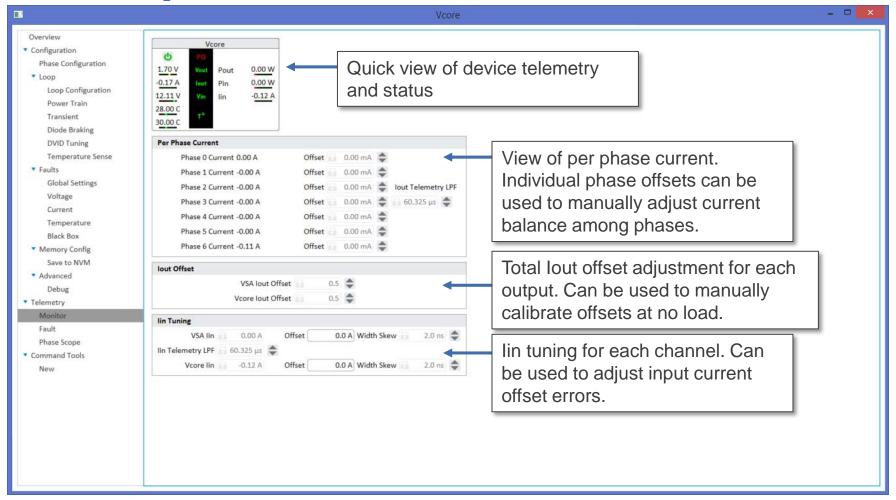
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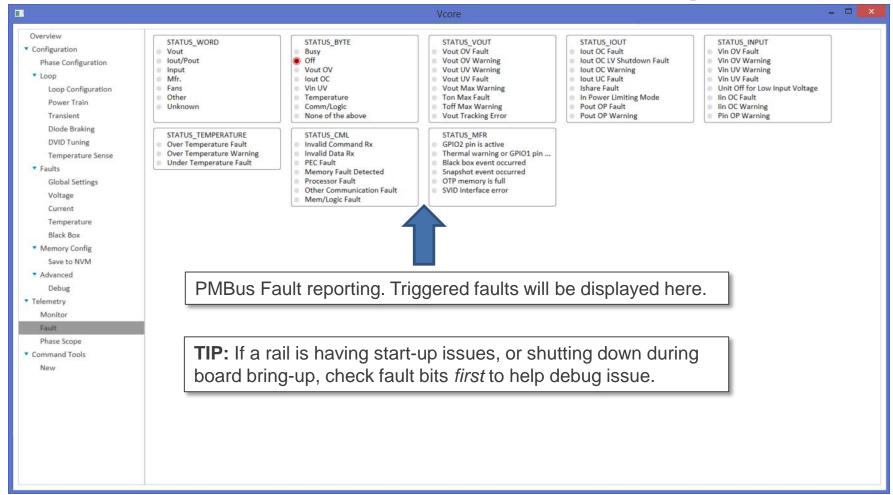
Digital Multiphase – PhaseScope



Digital Multiphase – Monitor/Current Balance



Digital Multiphase – Fault Reporting



ADVANCED FEATURE SET: AVSBUS



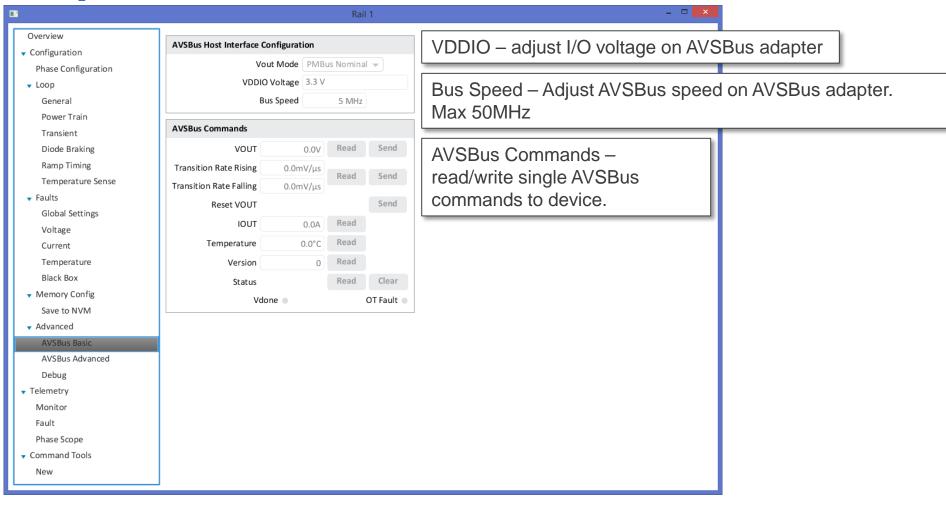
AVSBus Overview

- AVSBus is an interface designed to facilitate and expedite point-to-point communication between an ASIC, FPGA, or other logic, memory, or processor devices and a POL control device on a system for the purpose of adaptive voltage scaling.
- This bus provides a focused set of functionality for the purpose of high speed rail control. All other configurations and settings must be done through the GUI or through PMBus.
- The AVSBus commands can always be read, but they cannot be written unless the device is configured to operate via AVSBUS in the PMBus command OPERATION.
- 2 New Panels are visible using the PowerNavigator GUI to facilitate AVSBus testing
 - AVSBUS Basic
 - AVSBUS Advanced
- Require dedicated Renesas-developed AVSBus dongle to support device testing. Refer to the EVK users guide for details on dedicated hardware developed.

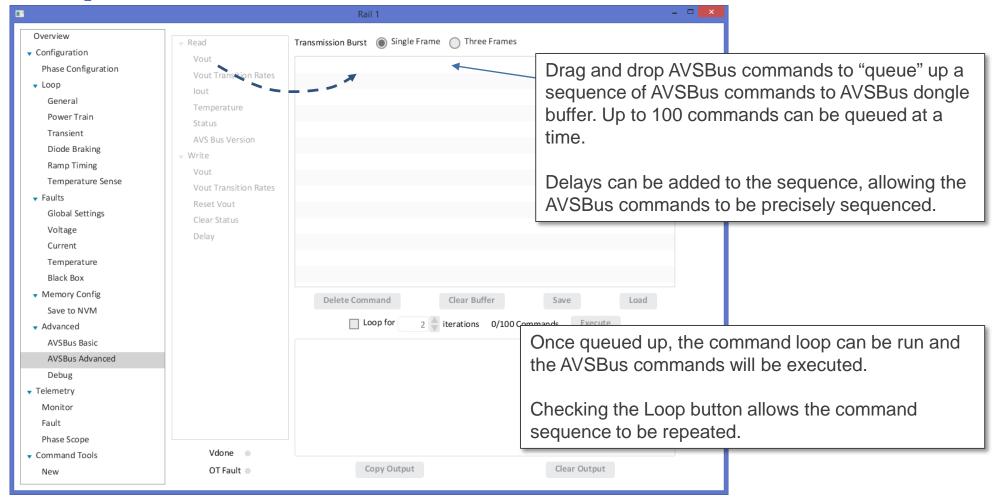
- *Available only on ISL68137, ISL68134 devices
- ** Compliant to latest AVSBUS 1.3x04 Spec defined by System Management Interface Forum (PMBUS part III)



Digital Multiphase – AVSBus



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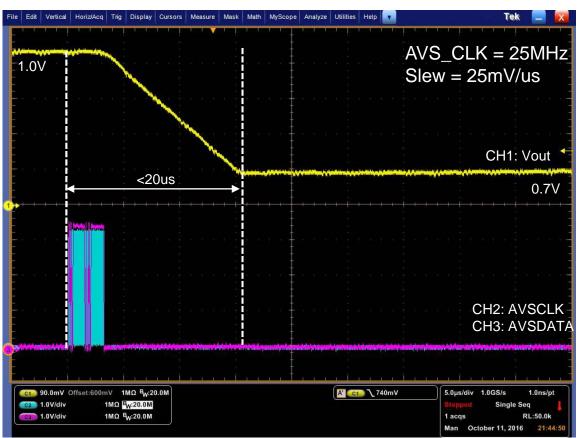
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AVSBus – Example Vout Set Point Change







Using the AVSBus interface, 300mV change in Vout takes <20us, enabling rapid changes in CPU power states



SAVING SETTINGS TO NVM



Digital Multiphase NVM Stores

- Renesas Digital Multiphase controllers contain OTP (one time programmable) NVM memory for storing device configuration settings.
- Up to 8 different configurations (Configuration ID's) can be stored in the device, using 1 of 8 available NVM "slots"
 - Once a NVM slot is used, it cannot be erased or reprogrammed.
 - Multiple versions of the same Configuration ID can be stored in NVM the controller will always use the most recent version.
- At start-up, an external pin-strap resistor tells the controller which of the stored Configuration ID's to use

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The resistor does not point to a NVM slot, but rather to a CONFIGURATION_ID



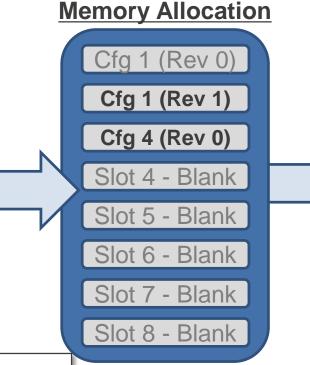
Example Configuration Stores

Example: Storing Configs

- A 4+0 design configuration is first stored as Config ID 1
- The 4+0 design is then updated due to design change (ex. Vboot change), resulting in a new Config ID 1 store.
- A 3+1 design configuration is stored as Config ID 4

In this example:

- 2 CONFIG IDs are stored in OTP
- 3 OTP slots are used, however. CFG1 (Rev 0) uses a slot, but is not accessible since it has been replaced by CFG1 (Rev 1)



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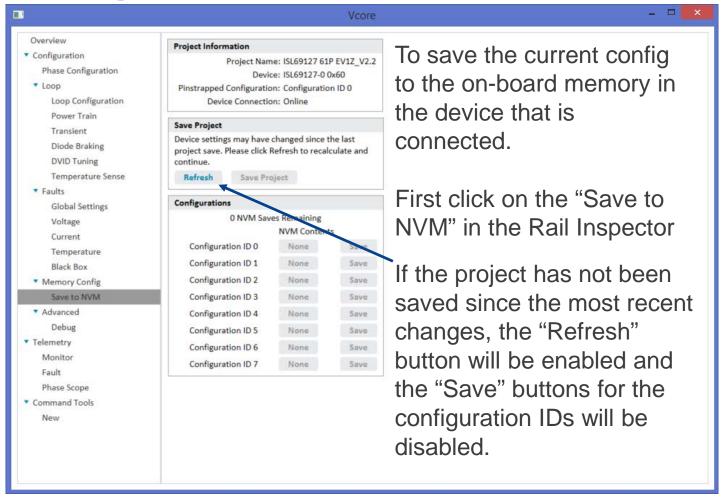
Upon Power Up

- A 1800 Ohm Rconfig will result in Cfg1 (Rev 1) to be used. Only the latest revision will ever be loaded
- A 3300 Ohm Roonfig will result in Cfg4 (Rev0) to be used

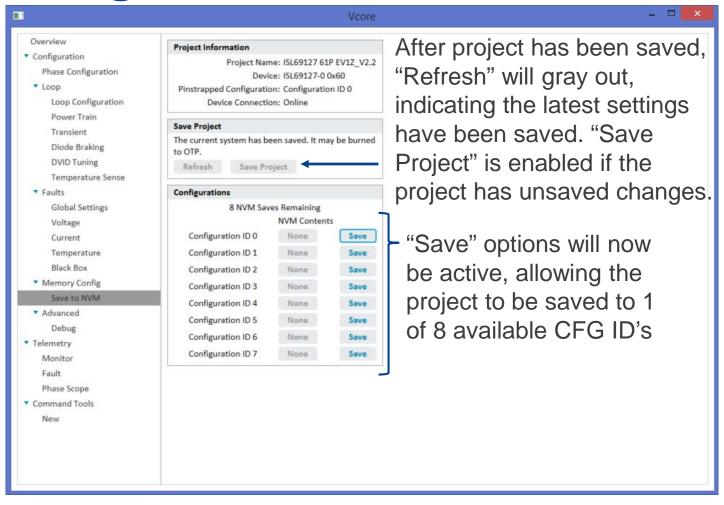
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1800	1
2200	2
2700	3
3300	4
3900	5
4700	6
5600	7



Saving Settings to NVM



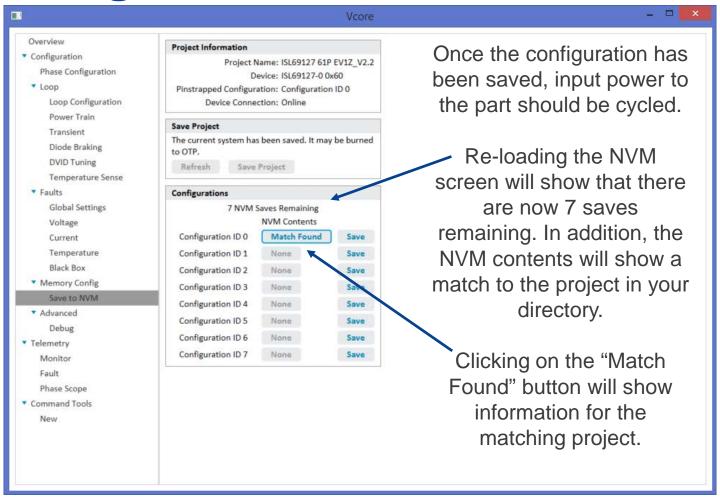
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Saving Settings to NVM



HEX FILE EXPORT



Digital Multiphase HEX File Export

- To support production programming, Digital Multiphase controllers support a HEX export utility.
 - Once a design has been finalized, the exported HEX file is used to program devices on high speed production. programmers.
- The HEX export utility is available under the "Utilities" menu on the main PowerNavigator screen.

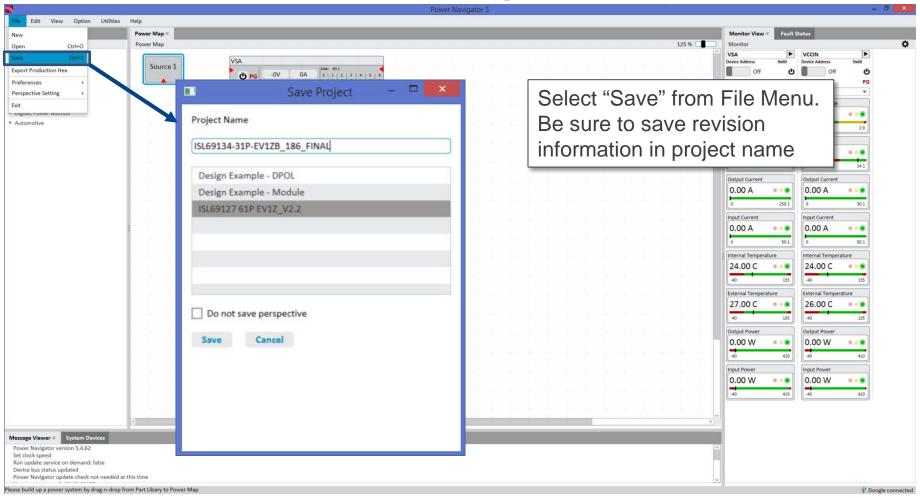
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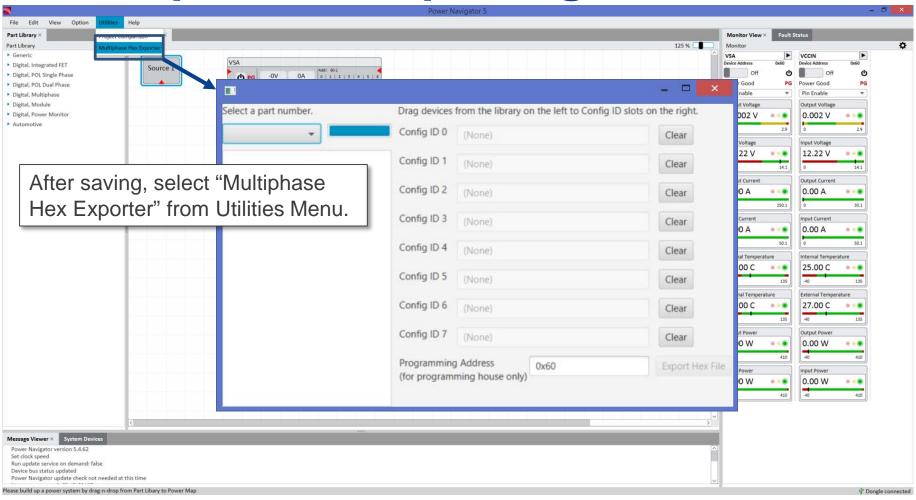
- Using this utility, multiple projects can be combined into a single HEX file
 - Each project is assigned one of 8 available CONFIG_IDs
 - An external resistor is then used to select the proper CONFIG_ID

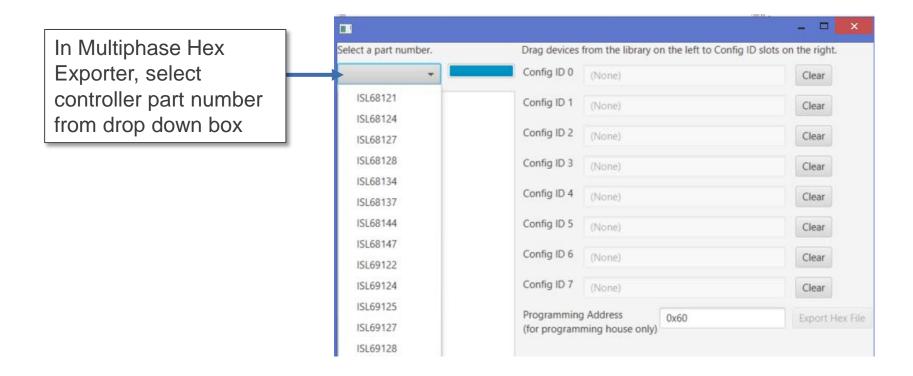


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Digital Multiphase – Saving A Project







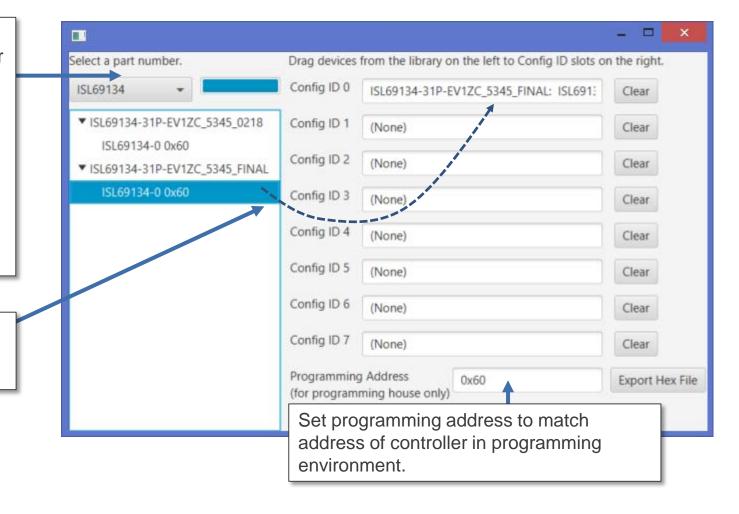
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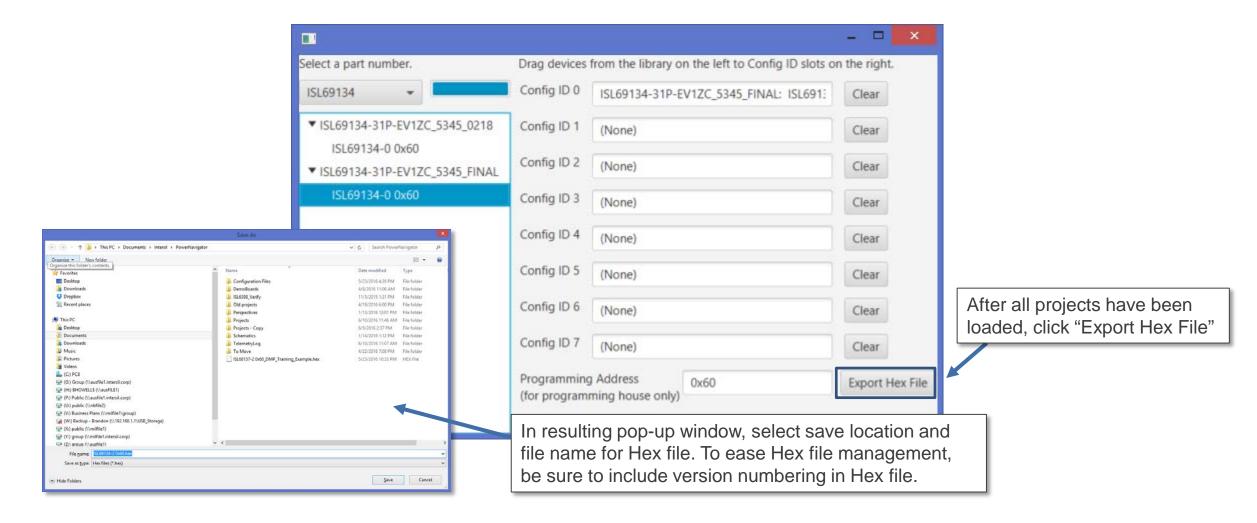
After part number is selected, the Hex Exporter tool will scan the PowerNavigator Projects folder for all project IDs with that part number.

After scanning is complete, all projects using that part number will be displayed

Select project, then Click and drag project into desired Config ID.

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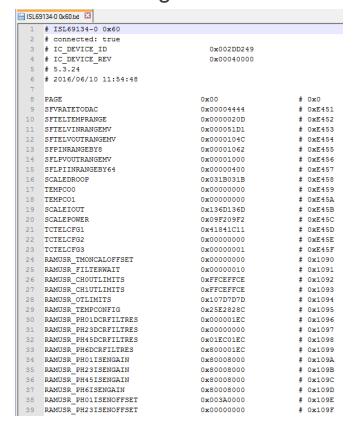


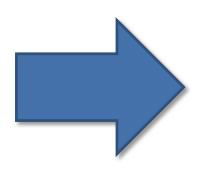


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Digital Multiphase - Configuration Vs. HEX File

Configuration File





Hex File

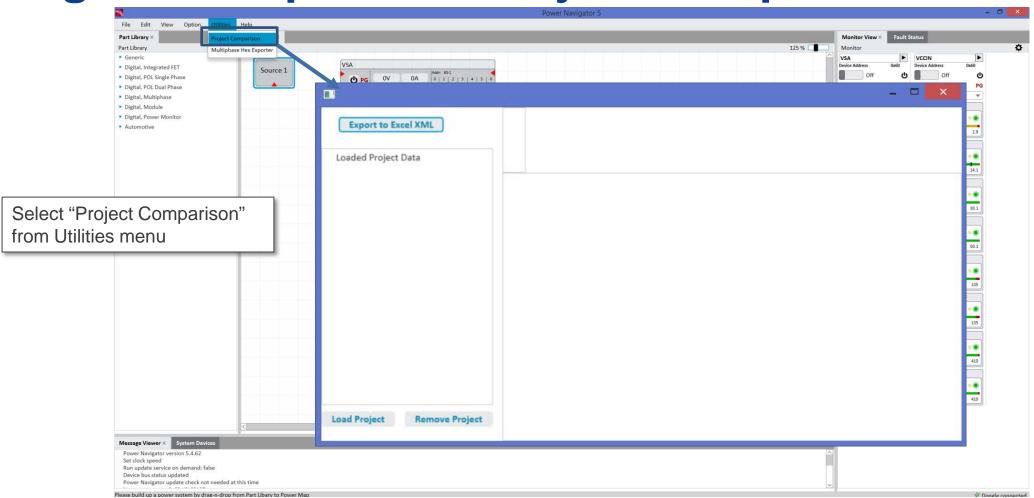
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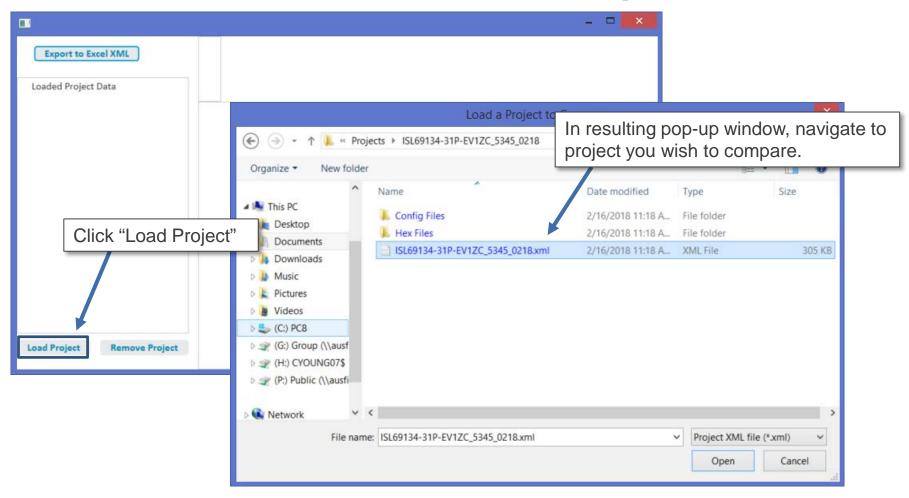
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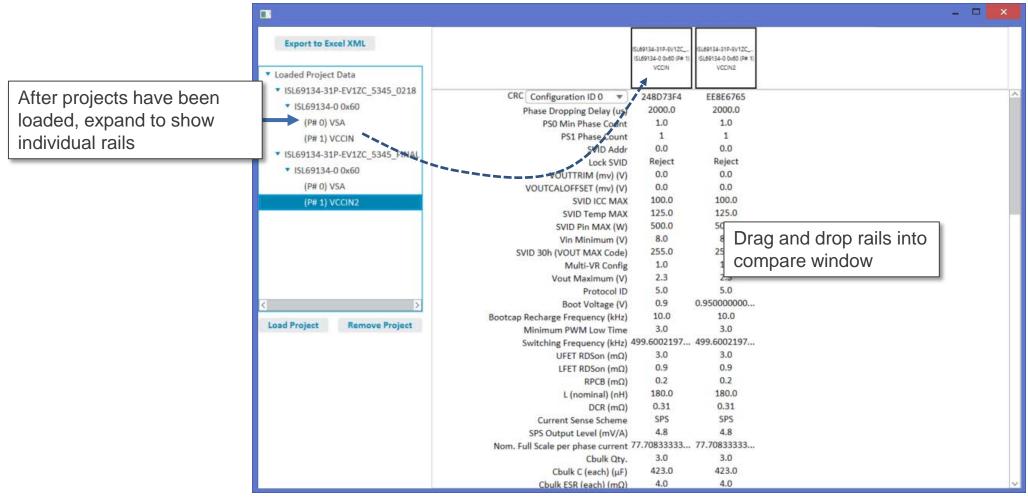


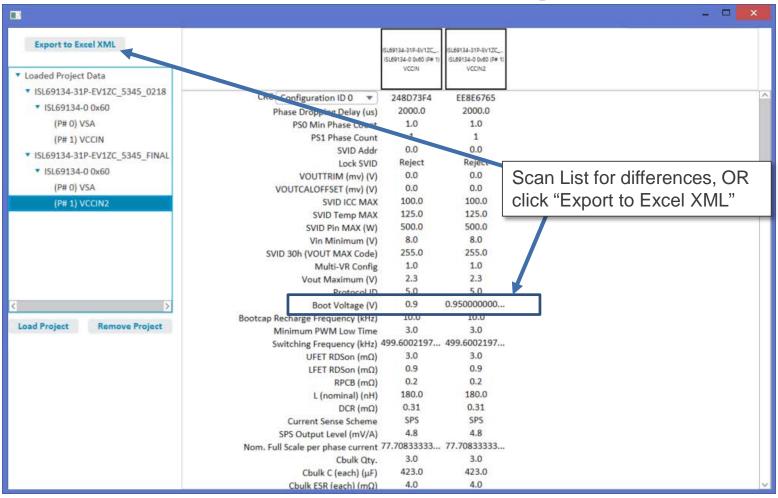
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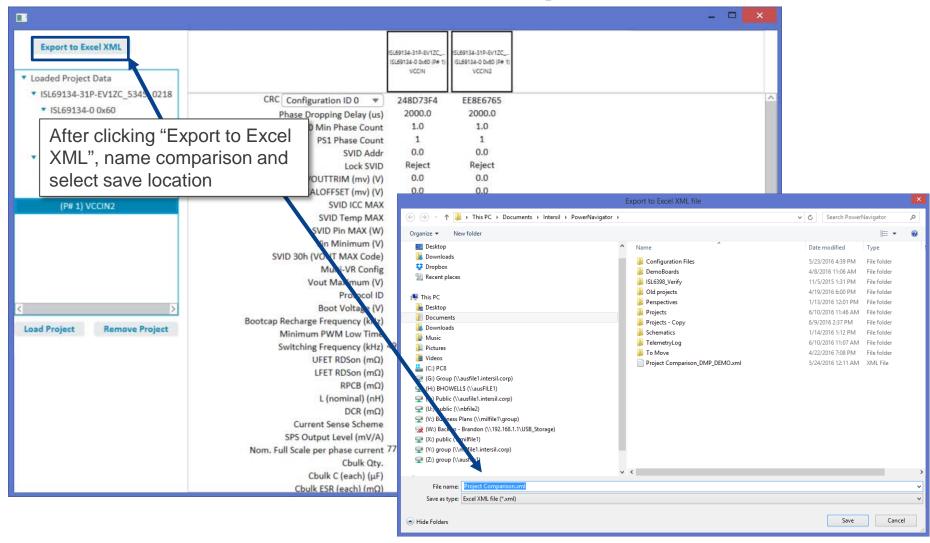




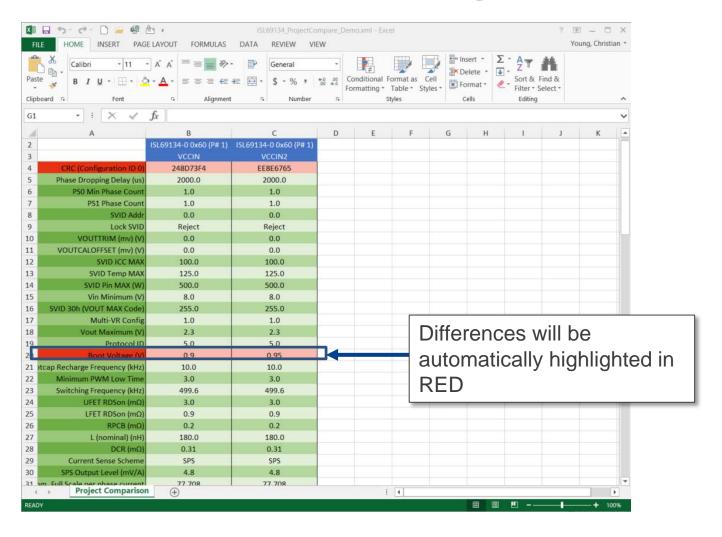












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