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Acronyms in This Document

A list of acronyms used in this document.

Acronym	Definition
AXI	Advanced Extensible Interface
CNN	Convolutional Neural Network
DRAM	Dynamic Random Access Memory
EVDK	Embedded Vision Development Kit
FPGA	Field-Programmable Gate Array
LED	Light-Emitting Diode
NN	Neural Network
SD	Secure Digital
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
SRAM	Static Random Access Memory
VIP	Video Interface Platform

1. Introduction

This document describes the Human Counting Design process of VGG using the CrossLink™-NX Embedded Vision Development Kit FPGA platform. Human Counting is a subset of the generic Object Counting base design.

1.1. Design Process Overview

The design process involves the following steps:

1. Training the model
 - Setting up the basic environment
 - Preparing the dataset
 - Preparing 224 x 224 image
 - Labeling dataset of human bounding box
 - Training the machine
 - Training the machine and creating the checkpoint data
 - Creating the frozen file (*.pb)
2. Compiling Neural Network
 - Creating the binary file with Lattice SensAI™ 3.0 program
3. FPGA Design
 - Creating the FPGA bitstream file
4. FPGA Bitstream and Quantized Weights and Instructions
 - Flashing the binary and bitstream files
 - Binary File to MicroSD

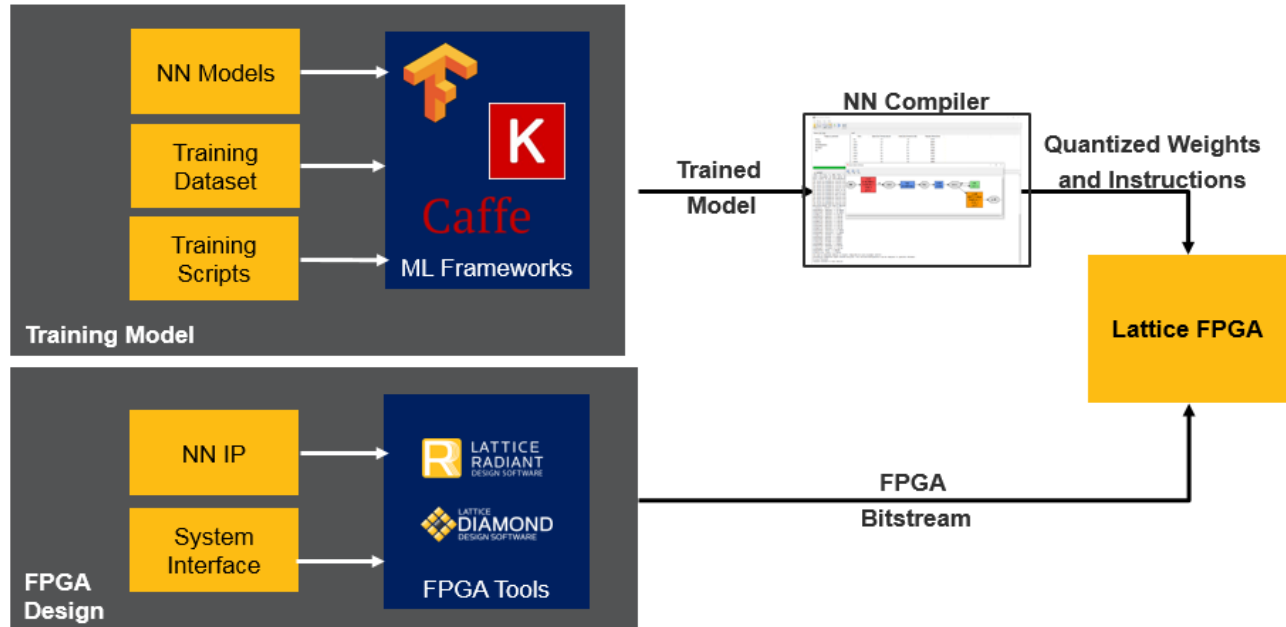


Figure 1.1. Lattice Machine Learning Design Flow

2. Setting Up the Basic Environment

2.1. Software and Hardware Requirements

This section describes the required tools and environment setup for the FPGA bitstream and flashing.

2.1.1. Lattice Software

- Lattice Diamond® – Refer to <http://www.latticesemi.com/latticediamond>.
- Lattice Diamond Programmer – Refer to <http://www.latticesemi.com/programmer>.
- Lattice SensAI Compiler v3.0 – Refer to <https://www.latticesemi.com/Products/DesignSoftwareAndIP/AI/ML/NeuralNetworkCompiler>.

2.1.2. Hardware

This design uses the ECP5™ FPGA VIP Board as shown in Figure 2.1. Refer to <http://www.latticesemi.com/Solutions/Solutions/SolutionsDetails02/VIP> for more information.

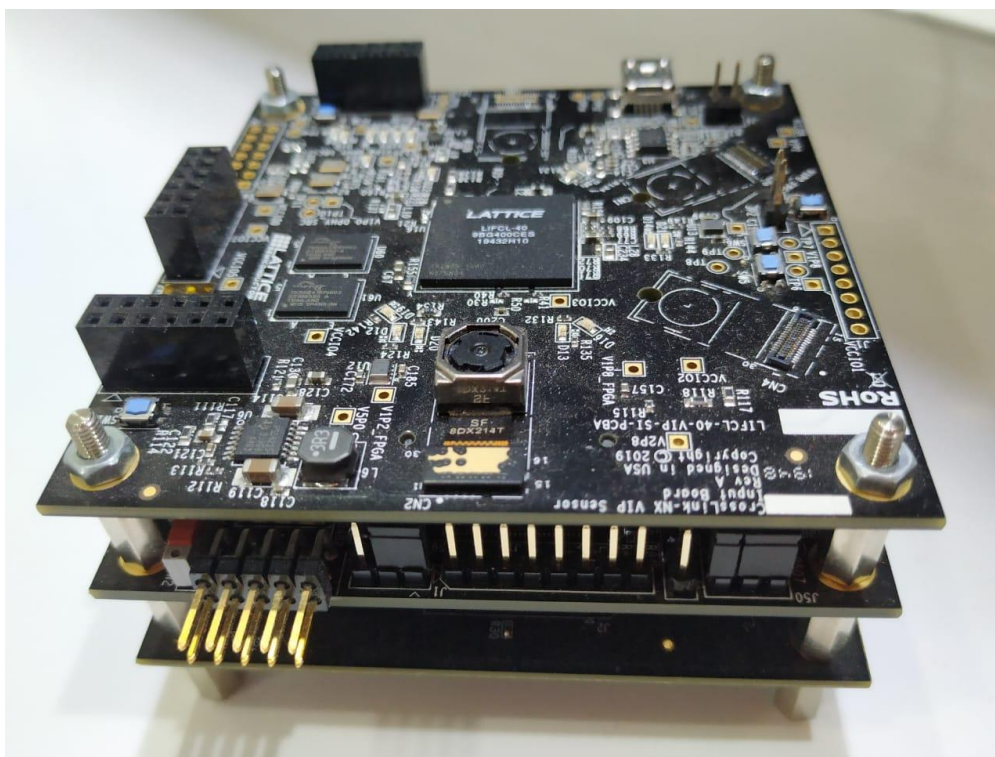


Figure 2.1. Lattice EVDK with MicroSD Card Adapter Board

2.2. Setting Up the Linux Environment for Machine Training

2.2.1. Installing the CUDA Toolkit

To install the CUDA toolkit, run the following commands in the order specified below:

```
$ curl -O
https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/ubuntu1604/x86_64/cuda-
repo-ubuntu1604_10.1.105-1_amd64.deb

(base) sib:~/kishan$ curl -O https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/ubuntu1604/x86_64/cuda-repo-ubuntu1604_10.1.105-1_amd64.deb
% Total % Received % Xferd Average Speed Time Time Time Current
Dload Upload Total Spent Left Speed
100 2832 100 2832 0 0 514 0 0:00:05 0:00:05 --:--:-- 584
(base) sib:~/kishan$ _
```

Figure 2.2. CUDA Repo Download

```
$ sudo dpkg -I ./cuda-repo-ubuntu1604_10.1.105-1_amd64.deb

(base) sib:~/kishan$ sudo dpkg -i ./cuda-repo-ubuntu1604_10.1.105-1_amd64.deb
Selecting previously unselected package cuda-repo-ubuntu1604.
(Reading database ... 288236 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../cuda-repo-ubuntu1604_10.1.105-1_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking cuda-repo-ubuntu1604 (10.1.105-1) ...
Setting up cuda-repo-ubuntu1604 (10.1.105-1) ...
(base) sib:~/kishan$ _
```

Figure 2.3. CUDA Repo Installation

```
$ sudo apt-key adv --fetch-keys
http://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/ubuntu1604/x86_64/7fa2af80.
pub

(base) sib:~/kishan$ sudo apt-key adv --fetch-keys http://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/ubuntu1604/x86_64/7fa2af80.pub
Executing: gpg --ignore-time-conflict --no-options --no-default-keyring --homedir /tmp/tmp.oqotmWcGn0 --no-auto-check-trustdb --trust-model
ng /etc/apt/trusted.gpg --keyring /etc/apt/trusted.gpg.d/diesch-testing.gpg --keyring /etc/apt/trusted.gpg.d/george-edison55-cmake-3_x.gpg -
--fetch-keys http://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/ubuntu1604/x86_64/7fa2af80.pub
gpg: key 7FA2AF80: "cudatools <cudatools@nvidia.com>" not changed
gpg: Total number processed: 1
gpg: unchanged: 1
```

Figure 2.4. Fetch Keys

```
$ sudo apt-get update
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ sudo apt-get update
Ign http://dl.google.com stable InRelease
Ign http://archive.ubuntu.com trusty InRelease
Ign http://extras.ubuntu.com trusty InRelease
Hit https://deb.nodesource.com trusty InRelease
Ign http://archive.canonical.com precise InRelease
Hit http://ppa.launchpad.net trusty InRelease
```

Figure 2.5. Update Ubuntu Packages Repositories

```
$ sudo apt-get install cuda-9-0
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ sudo apt-get install cuda-9-0
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
```

Figure 2.6. CUDA Installation Completed

2.2.2. Installing the cuDNN

To install the cuDNN:

1. Create an Nvidia developer account in <https://developer.nvidia.com>.
2. Download cuDNN lib in https://developer.nvidia.com/compute/machine-learning/cudnn/secure/v7.1.4/prod/9.0_20180516/cudnn-9.0-linux-x64-v7.1.
3. Execute the commands below to install cuDNN.

```
$ tar xvf cudnn-9.0-linux-x64-v7.1.tgz
$ sudo cp cuda/include/cudnn.h /usr/local/cuda/include
$ sudo cp cuda/lib64/libcudnn* /usr/local/cuda/lib64
$ sudo chmod a+r /usr/local/cuda/include/cudnn.h /usr/local/cuda/lib64/libcudnn*
```

```
k$ tar xvf cudnn-9.0-linux-x64-v7.1.tgz
cuda/include/cudnn.h
cuda/NVIDIA_SL_A_cuDNN_Support.txt
cuda/lib64/libcudnn.so
cuda/lib64/libcudnn.so.7
cuda/lib64/libcudnn.so.7.1.4
cuda/lib64/libcudnn_static.a
k$ sudo cp cuda/include/cudnn.h /usr/local/cuda/include
k$ sudo cp cuda/lib64/libcudnn* /usr/local/cuda/lib64
k$ sudo chmod a+r /usr/local/cuda/include/cudnn.h /usr/local/cuda/lib64/libcudnn*
k$ _
```

Figure 2.7. cuDNN Library Installation

2.2.3. Installing Anaconda and Python 3

To install Anaconda and Python 3:

1. Go to <https://www.anaconda.com/distribution/#download-section>.
2. Download Python 3 version of Anaconda for Linux.

```
sib:~/kishan$ wget https://repo.anaconda.com/archive/Anaconda3-2019.03-Linux-x86_64.sh
--2019-04-18 11:34:54-- https://repo.anaconda.com/archive/Anaconda3-2019.03-Linux-x86_64.sh
Resolving repo.anaconda.com (repo.anaconda.com)... 104.16.131.3, 104.16.130.3, 2606:4700::6810:8303, ...
Connecting to repo.anaconda.com (repo.anaconda.com)|104.16.131.3|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 685906562 (654M) [application/x-sh]
Saving to: 'Anaconda3-2019.03-Linux-x86_64.sh'

100%[=====
```

Figure 2.8. Anaconda Package Download

3. Install the Anaconda environment by running the command below:

```
$ sh Anaconda3-2019.03-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

Note: Anaconda3-<version>-Linux-x86_64.sh version may vary based on the release.

```
sib:~/kishan$ sh Anaconda3-2019.03-Linux-x86_64.sh

Welcome to Anaconda3 2019.03

In order to continue the installation process, please review the license
agreement.
Please, press ENTER to continue
>>> _
```

Figure 2.9. Anaconda Installation

4. Accept the license.

```
Do you accept the license terms? [yes/no]
[no] >>> yes_
```

Figure 2.10. Accept License Terms

5. Confirm the installation path. Follow the instruction onscreen if you want to change the default path.

```
Do you accept the license terms? [yes/no]
[no] >>> yes

Anaconda3 will now be installed into this location:
/home/sibridge/anaconda3

- Press ENTER to confirm the location
- Press CTRL-C to abort the installation
- Or specify a different location below

[/home/sibridge/anaconda3] >>> /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3_
```

Figure 2.11. Confirm/Edit Installation Location

6. After installation, enter **No** as shown in Figure 2.12.

```
installation finished.
Do you wish the installer to initialize Anaconda3
by running conda init? [yes/no]
[no] >>> no_
```

Figure 2.12. Launch/Initialize Anaconda Environment on Installation Completion

2.2.4. Installing TensorFlow v1.12 (or Higher)

Note: TensorFlow2.0 is not supported.

To install TensorFlow v1.12:

1. Activate the conda environment by running the command below:

```
$ source <conda directory>/bin/activate
```

```
sib:~/kishan$ source anaconda3/bin/activate  
(base) sib:~/kishan$ _
```

Figure 2.13. Anaconda Environment Activation

2. Install the TensorFlow by running the command example below:

```
$ conda install tensorflow-gpu==1.12.0
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install tensorflow-gpu==1.12.0  
WARNING: The conda.compat module is deprecated and will be removed in a future release.  
Collecting package metadata: done  
Solving environment: done  
  
## Package Plan ##  
  
environment location: /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3  
  
added / updated specs:  
- tensorflow-gpu==1.12.0
```

Figure 2.14. TensorFlow Installation

3. After installation, enter Y as shown in Figure 2.15.

```
wurlitzer          1.0.2-py37_0 --> 1.0.2-py36_0  
xlrd               1.2.0-py37_0 --> 1.2.0-py36_0  
xlwt               1.3.0-py37_0 --> 1.3.0-py36_0  
zict               0.1.4-py37_0 --> 0.1.4-py36_0  
zipp               0.3.3-py37_1 --> 0.3.3-py36_1  
  
Proceed ([y]/n)? y_
```

Figure 2.15. TensorFlow Installation Confirmation

Figure 2.16 shows that the TensorFlow installation is complete.

```
Preparing transaction: done  
Verifying transaction: done  
Executing transaction: done  
(base) sib:~/kishan$ _
```

Figure 2.16. TensorFlow Installation Completion

2.2.5. Installing the Python Package

To install the Python package:

1. Install Easydict by running the command below:

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge easydict
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install -c conda-forge easydict
Collecting package metadata: done
Solving environment: done

## Package Plan ##

environment location: /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3

added / updated specs:
- easydict
```

Figure 2.17. Easydict Installation

2. Install Joblib by running the command below:

```
$ conda install joblib
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install joblib
Collecting package metadata: done
Solving environment: done

## Package Plan ##

environment location: /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3

added / updated specs:
- joblib
```

Figure 2.18. Joblib Installation

3. Install Keras by running the command below:

```
$ conda install keras
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install keras
Collecting package metadata: done
Solving environment: done

## Package Plan ##

environment location: /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3

added / updated specs:
- keras
```

Figure 2.19. Keras Installation

4. Install OpenCV by running the command below:

```
$ conda install opencv
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install opencv
Collecting package metadata: done
Solving environment: done

## Package Plan ##

environment location: /home/sibridge/kishan/anaconda3

added / updated specs:
- opencv
```

Figure 2.20. OpenCV Installation

5. Install Pillow by running the command below:

```
$ conda install pillow
```

```
(base) sib:~/kishan$ conda install pillow
Collecting package metadata: done
Solving environment: done

# All requested packages already installed.

(base) sib:~/kishan$ _
```

Figure 2.21. Pillow Installation

3. Preparing the Dataset

This section describes how to create a dataset using Google Open Image Dataset as an example.

The Google Open Image Dataset version 4 (<https://storage.googleapis.com/openimages/web/index.html>) features more than 600 classes of images. The Person class of images includes human annotated and machine annotated labels and bounding box. Annotations are licensed by Google Inc. under CC BY 4.0 and images are licensed under CC BY 2.0.

3.1. Downloading the Dataset

To download the dataset, run the commands below:

1. Clone the OIDv4_Toolkit repository:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/EsVM/OIDv4_ToolKit.git
$ cd OIDv4_ToolKit
```

```
(base) k$ git clone https://github.com/EsVM/OIDv4_ToolKit.git
Cloning into 'OIDv4_ToolKit'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 25, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (25/25), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (24/24), done.
remote: Total 382 (delta 3), reused 14 (delta 1), pack-reused 357
Receiving objects: 100% (382/382), 34.06 MiB | 752.00 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (111/111), done.
(base) k$
```

Figure 3.1. Open Source Dataset Repository Cloning

Figure 3.2 shows the OIDv4 code directory structure.

```
OIDv4_ToolKit/
├── classes.txt
├── images
│   ├── classes.png
│   ├── rectangle.png
│   └── visualizer_example.gif
├── LICENSE
├── main.py
├── modules
│   ├── bounding_boxes.py
│   ├── csv_downloader.py
│   ├── downloader.py
│   ├── image_level.py
│   ├── parser.py
│   ├── show.py
│   ├── test.py
│   └── utils.py
├── README.md
└── requirements.txt
```

Figure 3.2. OIDv4_Toolkit Directory Structure

View the OIDv4 Toolkit Help menu:

```
$ python3 main.py -h
```

```
(base) k$ python3 main.py -h
usage: main.py [-h] [--Dataset /path/to/OID/csv/]
               [--classes list of classes [list of classes ...]]
               [--type_csv 'train' or 'validation' or 'test' or 'all']
               [--sub Subset of human verified images or machine generated h or m])
               [--image_IsOccluded 1 or 0] [--image_IsTruncated 1 or 0]
               [--image_IsGroupOf 1 or 0] [--image_IsDepiction 1 or 0]
               [--image_IsInside 1 or 0] [--multiclass 0 (default or 1)]
               [--n_threads [default 20]] [--noLabels]
               [--limit integer number]
               <command> 'downloader', 'visualizer' or 'ill_downloader'.
```

Open Image Dataset Downloader

positional arguments:

```
<command> 'downloader', 'visualizer' or 'ill_downloader'.
'downloader', 'visualizer' or 'ill_downloader'.
```

Figure 3.3. Dataset Script Option/Help

2. Use the OIDv4 Toolkit to download dataset. Download the Person class images:

```
$ python3 main.py downloader --classes Person --type_csv validation
```

```
(base) k$ python3 main.py downloader --classes Person --type_csv validation --limit 200
```

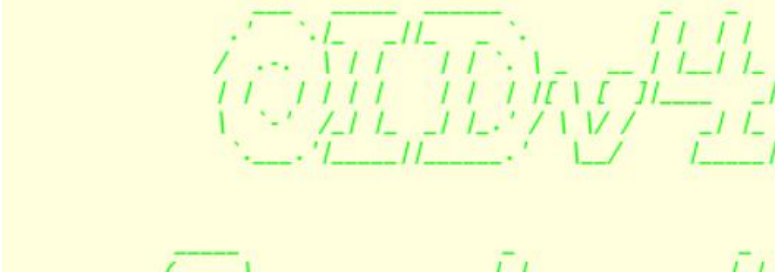


Figure 3.4. Dataset Downloading Logs

Figure 3.5 shows the downloaded dataset directory structure.

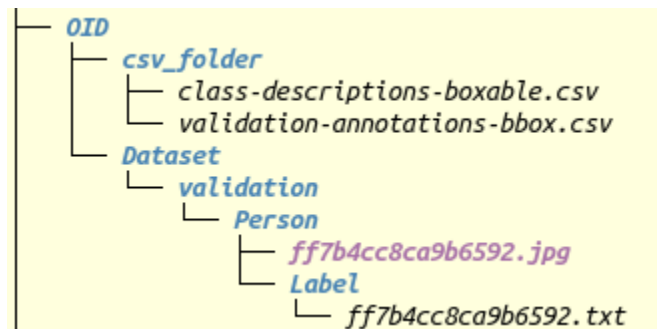


Figure 3.5. Downloaded Dataset Directory Structure

- ```
$ sed -i -- 's/Person/Person 0 0 0/g' OID/Dataset/validation/Person/Label/*
$ sed -i -- 's/Person/Person 0 0 0/g' OID/Dataset/train/Person/Label/*
$ sed -i -- 's/Person/Person 0 0 0/g' OID/Dataset/test/Person/Label/*
```

### Figure 3.6. OI Dv4 Label to KITTI Format Conversion

The code converts Xmin, Ymin, Xmax, Ymax into x, y, w, h while training as *bounding box rectangle coordinates*.

```
$ python3 main.py visualizer
```

- Press 'd' to select next image
- Press 'a' to select previous image
- Press 'e' to select a new class
- Press 'w' to select a new folder
- Press 'q' to exit



2. Clone the manual annotation tool from the GitHub repository.

```
$ git clone https://github.com/SaiPrajwal95/annotate-to-KITTI.git
```

```
(base) k$ git clone https://github.com/SaiPrajwal95/annotate-to-KITTI.git
Cloning into 'annotate-to-KITTI'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 27, done.
remote: Total 27 (delta 0), reused 0 (delta 0), pack-reused 27
Unpacking objects: 100% (27/27), done.
(base) k$ _
```

**Figure 3.8. Manual Annotation Tool – Cloning**

3. Go to annotate to KITTI.

```
$ cd annotate-to-KITTI
$ ls
```

```
annotate-to-KITTI/
├── annotate-folder.py
└── README.md
```

**Figure 3.9. Manual Annotation Tool – Directory Structure**

4. Install the dependencies (OpenCV 2.4).

```
$ sudo apt-get install python-opencv
```

5. Launch the utility.

```
$ python3 annotate-folder.py
```

6. Set the dataset path and default object label.

```
(base) k$ python3 annotate-folder.py
Enter the path to dataset: /tmp/images
Enter default object label: Person
[{'label': 'Person', 'bbox': {'xmin': 443, 'ymin': 48, 'xmax': 811, 'ymax': 683}}]
(base) k$ _
```

**Figure 3.10. Manual Annotation Tool – Launch**

7. For annotation, run the script provided in the website below.

<https://github.com/SaiPrajwal95/annotate-to-KITTI>

For information on other labeling tools, see [Table A.1](#).

### 3.3. Data Augmentation

Data Augmentation needs a large amount of training data to achieve good performance. Image Augmentation creates training images through different ways of processing or a combination of multiple processing such as random rotation, shifts, shear and flips, and others.

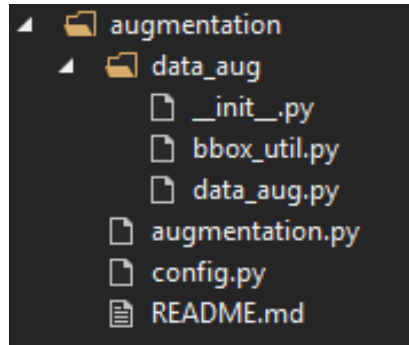


Figure 3.11. Augmentation Directory Structure

- `data_aug` – This folder contains basic methods and augmentation classes.
- `augmentation.py` – This file reads the input images (input labels) and performs preferred augmentation on it.
- `config.py` – Contains parameters that are used in augmentation operations.

#### 3.3.1. Configuring the Augmentation

To configure the augmentation:

1. Configure the `config.py` file, which contains the parameters shown in Figure 3.12.

```
Input_dict = {
 'AngleForRotation': '90,190,270',
 'GammaForRandomBrightness1': 0.6,
 'GammaForRandomBrightness2': 1.5,
 'FilterSizeForGaussianFiltering': 11,
 'SnowCoeffForAddSnow': 0.5,
 'resizeheight': 224,
 'resizewidth': 224,
}
```

Figure 3.12. `config.py` Configuration File Parameters

Choose the operations to perform on the dataset. The operations can be selected in `augmentation.py` by editing the list `all_op`.

```
all_op = [
 'RandomHorizontalFlip',
 #'RandomScale',
 #'RandomRotate',
 #'RandomTranslate',
 #'RandomShear',
 #'Rotate',
 'Translate',
 #'Shear',
 #'GaussianFiltering',
 'RandomBrightness2_0',
 'RandomBrightness0_5',
 #'Resize'
]
```

Figure 3.13. Selecting the Augmentation Operations

2. Add or Remove the operation by commenting/uncommenting the operation in the `all_op` list as shown in Figure 3.13.

### 3.3.2. Running the Augmentation

Run the augmentation by running the following command:

```
python augmentation.py --image_dir <Path_To_InputImage_Dir> --label_dir
<Path_To_InputLabel_Dir> --out_image_dir <Path_To_OutputImage_Dir> --out_label_dir
<Path_To_OutputLabel_Dir>
```

```
earth:~$ python augmentation.py --image_dir /data/images/ --label_dir /data/labels/ --out_image_dir /tmp/labels --out_label_dir /tmp/images/

|-----|
Initial Configuration
AngleForRotation
GammaForRandomBrightness1
GammaForRandomBrightness2
FilterSizeForGaussianFiltering
SnowCoeffForAddSnow
resizeheight
resizewidth

Copying original images and labels ...
Done Coping

Running Augmentation...!!!
operation : RandomHorizontalFlip

Operation number 1 out of 4
ignoring image due to small bbox size for /data/images/a5a886c21a52344f.jpg
```

Figure 3.14. Running the Augmentataion

## 4. Training the Machine

### 4.1. Training Code Structure

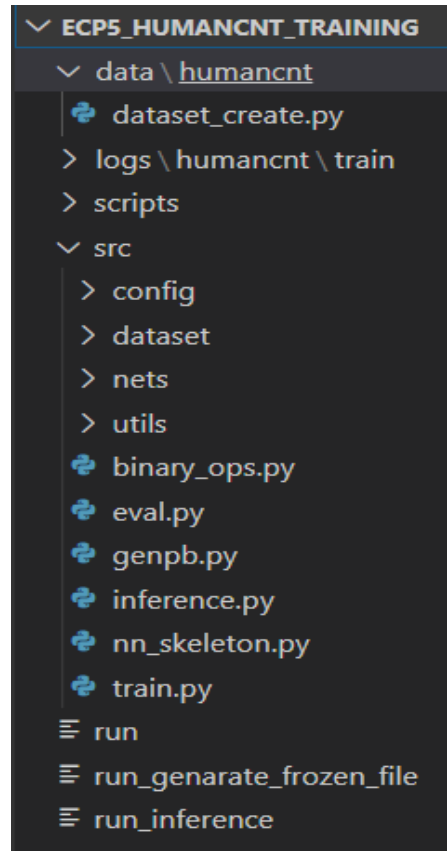


Figure 4.1. Training Code Directory Structure

## 4.2. Neural Network Architecture

### 4.2.1. Human Count Training Network Layers

This section provides information on the Convolution Network Configuration of the Human Presence Detection design. The Neural Network model of the Human Presence Detection design uses the VGG Neural Network base model and the detection layer of the SqueezeDet model.

**Table 4.1. Human Counting Training Network Topology**

| Image Input (224 x 224 x 3) |           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fire 1                      | Conv3-32  | <p>Conv3 - # where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conv3 = 3 x 3 Convolution filter Kernel size</li> <li># = The number of filter</li> </ul> <p>For example, Conv3 - 16 = 16 3 x 3 convolution filters</p> <p>BN – Batch Normalization</p> |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | Maxpool   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 2                      | Conv3-32  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 3                      | Conv3-32  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | Maxpool   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 4                      | Conv3-64  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 5                      | Conv3-64  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | Maxpool   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 6                      | Conv3-128 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fire 7                      | Conv3-128 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | BN        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | ReLU      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                             | Maxpool   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Conv12                      | Conv3-42  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

- The Human Count Network structure consists of seven fire layers followed by one convolution layer. A fire layer contains convolutional, batch normalization, and ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit). Pooling layers are only in Fire 1, Fire 3, Fire 5, and Fire 7. Fire 2, Fire 4, and Fire 6 do not contain pooling layers.
- In [Table 4.1](#), the layer contains convolution (conv), batch normalization (bn), and ReLU layers.
- Layer information:
  - Convolutional Layer
 

In general, the first layer in a CNN is always a convolutional layer. Each layer consists of a number of filters (sometimes referred as kernels), which convolves with the input layer/image and generates an activation map (that is, feature map). This filter is an array of numbers (called weights or parameters). Each of these filters can be thought of as feature identifiers, such as straight edges, simple colors, curves, and other high-level features. For example, the filters on the first layer convolve around the input image and *activate* (or compute high values) when the specific feature it is looking for (such as curve, for example) is in the input volume.



- **ReLU (Activation Layer)**

It is the convention to apply a nonlinear layer (or activation layer) immediately after each conv layer. The purpose of this layer is to introduce nonlinearity to a system that is basically computing linear operations during the conv layers (element wise multiplications and summations). In the past, nonlinear functions such as tanh and sigmoid were used, but researchers found out that ReLU layers work far better because the network is able to train a lot faster (because of the computational efficiency) without making a significant difference in accuracy. The ReLU layer applies the function  $f(x) = \max(0, x)$  to all of the values in the input volume. In basic terms, this layer changes all the negative activations to 0. This layer increases the nonlinear properties of the model and the overall network without affecting the receptive fields of the conv layer.
- **Pooling Layer**

After some ReLU layers, you may choose to apply a pooling layer. It is also referred to as a down sampling layer. In this category, there are also several layer options, with Maxpooling being the most popular. This basically takes a filter (normally of size  $2 \times 2$ ) and a stride of the same length. It then applies a filter to the input volume and outputs the maximum number in every sub region that the filter convolves around.

The intuitive reasoning behind this layer is that once it is known that a specific feature is in the original input volume (there is a high activation value), its exact location is not as important as its relative location to the other features. As you can imagine, this layer drastically reduces the spatial dimension (the length and the width change but not the depth) of the input volume. This serves two main purposes. The first is that the number of parameters or weights is reduced by 75%, thus lessening the computation cost. The second is that it controls over fitting. This term is used when a model is so tuned to the training examples that it is not able to generalize well for the validation and test sets. A symptom of over fitting is having a model that gets 100% or 99% on the training set, but only 50% on the test data.
- **Batch Normalization Layer**

Batch normalization layer reduces the internal covariance shift. To train a neural network, some preprocessing to the input data are performed. For example, you can normalize all data so that it resembles a normal distribution (that means, zero mean and a unitary variance). This prevents the early saturation of non-linear activation functions, such as sigmoid, and assures that all input data are in the same range of values, and others.

An issue, however, appears in the intermediate layers because the distribution of the activations is constantly changing during training. This slows down the training process because each layer must learn to adapt them to a new distribution in every training step. This is known as internal covariate shift.

Batch normalization layer forces the input of every layer to have approximately the same distribution in every training step by following the process below during training:

  - a. Calculate the mean and variance of the layers input.
  - b. Normalize the layer inputs using the previously calculated batch statistics.
  - c. Scale and shift to obtain the output of the layer.

This makes the learning of layers in the network more independent of each other and allows you to be care-free about weight initialization, works as regularization in place of dropout, and other regularization techniques.

The architecture above provides nonlinearities and preservation of dimension that help to improve the robustness of the network and control over fitting.

### 4.2.2. Human Count Detection Network Output

From the input image model, it extracts the feature maps first and overlays them with a  $W \times H$  grid. Each cell then computes  $K$  pre-computed bounding boxes called anchors. Each bounding box has the following:

- Four scalars ( $x, y, w, h$ )
  - A confidence score ( $\text{Pr}(\text{Object}) * \text{IOU}$ )
  - $C^\circ$  conditional class probability
- The current model architecture has a fixed output of  $W \times H \times K(4+1+C)$ . where:
  - $W, H$  = Grid Size
  - $K$  = Number of Anchor boxes
  - $C$  = Number of classes for which you want detection
- The model has a total of 8232 output values, which are derived from the following:
  - 14 x 14 grid
    - Seven anchor boxes per grid
      - Six values per anchor box. It consists of:
        - Four bounding box coordinates ( $x, y, w, h$ )
        - One class probability
        - One confidence score

As a result, there is a total of  $14 \times 14 \times 7 \times 6 = 8232$  output values.

### 4.2.3. Training Code Overview

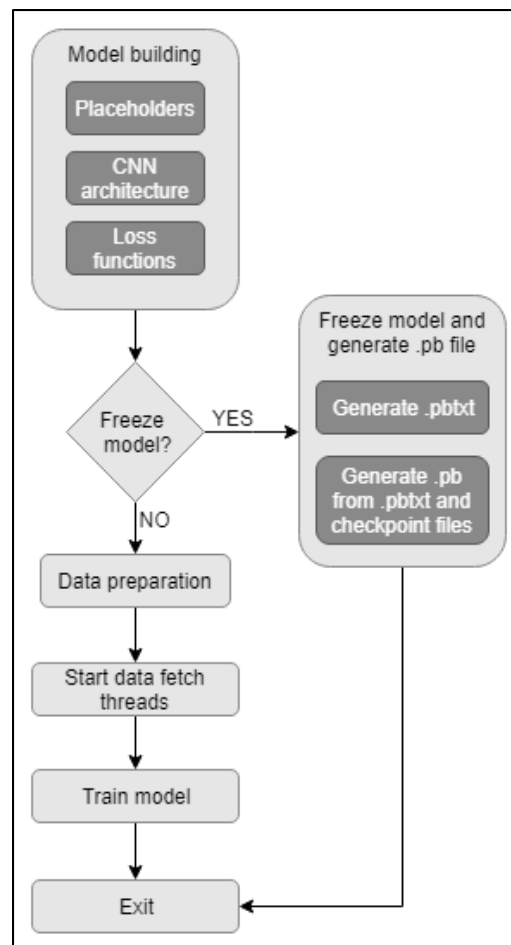


Figure 4.2. Training Code Flow Diagram

Training Code is divided into the following parts:

- Model Configuration
- Model Building
- Model Freezing
- Data Preparation
- Training for Overall Execution Flow

The details of each part can be found in subsequent sections.

#### 4.2.3.1. Model Configuration

The design uses Kitti dataset and SqueezeDet model. *kitti\_squeezeDet\_config()* maintains all the configurable parameters for the model. Below is the summary of configurable parameters.

- Image size
  - Change mc.IMAGE\_WIDTH and mc.IMAGE\_HEIGHT to configure image size (width and height) in *src/config/kitti\_squeezeDet\_config.py*.

```
mc.IMAGE_WIDTH = 224
mc.IMAGE_HEIGHT = 224
```

Figure 4.3. Code Snippet – Input Image Size Config

- Since there are four pooling layers, grid dimension is H = 14 and W = 14. anchor\_shapes variable of set\_anchors() in *src/config/kitti\_squeezeDet\_config.py* indicates anchors width and heights. Update it based on anchors per grid size changes.

```
def set_anchors(mc):
 H, W, B = 14, 14, 7
 div_scale = 2.0 * 1
```

Figure 4.4. Code Snippet – Anchors Per Grid Config #1 (Grid Sizes)

- Batch size
  - Change mc.BATCH\_SIZE in *src/config/kitti\_squeezeDet\_config.py* to configure batch size.
- Anchors per grid
  - Change mc.ANCHOR\_PER\_GRID in *src/config/kitti\_squeezeDet\_config.py* to configure anchors per grid.

```
mc.ANCHOR_BOX = set_anchors(mc)
mc.ANCHORS = len(mc.ANCHOR_BOX)
mc.ANCHOR_PER_GRID = 7
```

Figure 4.5. Code Snippet – Anchors Per Grid Config #2

- Change hard coded anchors per grid in *set\_anchors()* in *src/config/kitti\_squeezeDet\_config.py*. Here, B (value 7) indicates anchors per grid.
- To run the network on your own dataset, adjust the anchor sizes. Anchors are prior distribution over what shapes your boxes should have. The better this fits to the true distribution of boxes, the faster and easier your training is going to be.
- To determine anchor shapes, first load all ground truth boxes and pictures, and if your images are not of the same size, normalize their height and width by the images' height and width. All images are normalized before being fed to the network, so you need to do the same to the bounding boxes and consequently, the anchors.
- Second, perform a clustering on these normalized boxes (that is, you can use k-means without feature whitening and determine the number of clusters either by eyeballing or by using the elbow method.)
- Check for boxes that extend beyond the image or have a zero to negative width or height.

```
anchor_shapes = np.reshape(
 [np.array(
 [
 [int(368./div_scale), int(368./div_scale)],
 [int(276./div_scale), int(276./div_scale)],
 [int(184./div_scale), int(184./div_scale)],
 [int(138./div_scale), int(138./div_scale)],
 [int(92./div_scale), int(92./div_scale)],
 [int(69./div_scale), int(69./div_scale)],
 [int(46./div_scale), int(46./div_scale)]]]) * H * W,
 (H, W, B, 2)
)
```

Figure 4.6. Code Snippet – Anchors Per Grid Config #3

- Training Parameters
  - Other training related parameters such as learning rate, loss parameters, and different thresholds can be configured from `src/config/kitti_squeezeDet_config.py`.

```
mc.WEIGHT_DECAY = 0.0001
mc.LEARNING_RATE = 0.01
mc.DECAY_STEPS = 10000
mc.MAX_GRAD_NORM = 1.0
mc.MOMENTUM = 0.9
mc.LR_DECAY_FACTOR = 0.5

mc.LOSS_COEF_BBOX = 5.0
mc.LOSS_COEF_CONF_POS = 75.0
mc.LOSS_COEF_CONF_NEG = 100.0
mc.LOSS_COEF_CLASS = 1.0

mc.PLOT_PROB_THRESH = 0.4
mc.NMS_THRESH = 0.4
mc.PROB_THRESH = 0.005
mc.TOP_N_DETECTION = 10

mc.DATA_AUGMENTATION = True
mc.DRIFT_X = 150
mc.DRIFT_Y = 100
mc.EXCLUDE_HARD_EXAMPLES = False
```

Figure 4.7. Code Snippet – Training Parameters

#### 4.2.3.2. Model Building

SqueezeDet class constructor builds the model, which is divided into the following sections:

- Forward Graph
- Interpretation Graph
- Loss Graph
- Train Graph
- Visualization Graph

##### Forward Graph

- The CNN architecture consists of Convolution, Batch Normalization, ReLU, and Maxpool.
- Forward graph consists of seven fire layers as described in Table 4.1.

```
depth = [32, 32, 32, 64, 64, 128, 128]

mul_f = 1
#depth = [8*mul_f, 8*mul_f, 16*mul_f, 16*mul_f, 24*mul_f, 24*mul_f, 32*mul_f]

#####
Quantization layers
#####
if True: # 16b weight (no quant); 8b activation
 fl_w_bin = 8
 fl_a_bin = 8
 ml_w_bin = 8
 ml_a_bin = 8
 sl_w_bin = 8
 # The last layer's activation (sl_a_bin) is always 16b

min_rng = 0.0 # range of quanized activation
max_rng = 2.0
```

Figure 4.8. Code Snippet – Quantization Setting

- Filter sizes of each convolutional block are mentioned in Table 4.1, which can be configured by changing the values of depth, as shown in Figure 4.9.

```
fire1 = self.fire_layer('fire1', self.image_input, oc=depth[0], freeze=False, w_bin=fl_w_bin, a_bin=fl_a_bin,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire2 = self.fire_layer('fire2', fire1, oc=depth[1], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin, pool_en=False,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire3 = self.fire_layer('fire3', fire2, oc=depth[2], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire4 = self.fire_layer('fire4', fire3, oc=depth[3], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin, pool_en=False,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire5 = self.fire_layer('fire5', fire4, oc=depth[4], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire6 = self.fire_layer('fire6', fire5, oc=depth[5], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin, pool_en=False,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire7 = self.fire_layer('fire7', fire6, oc=depth[6], freeze=False, w_bin=ml_w_bin, a_bin=ml_a_bin,
min_rng=min_rng, max_rng=max_rng, bias_on=bias_on, mul_f=mul_f)
fire_o = fire7
```

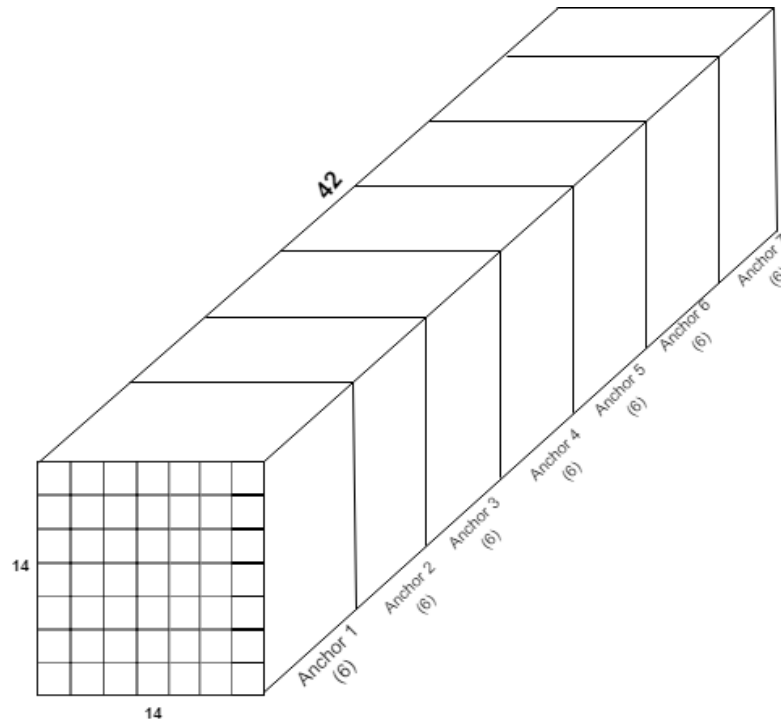
Figure 4.9. Code Snippet – Forward Graph Fire Layers

```
num_output = mc.ANCHOR_PER_GRID * (mc.CLASSES + 1 + 4)
self.preds = self._conv_layer('conv12', fire_o, filters=num_output, size=3, stride=1,
padding='SAME', xavier=False, relu=False, stddev=0.0001, w_bin=sl_w_bin)
print('self.preds:', self.preds)
```

Figure 4.10. Code Snippet – Forward Graph Last Convolution Layer

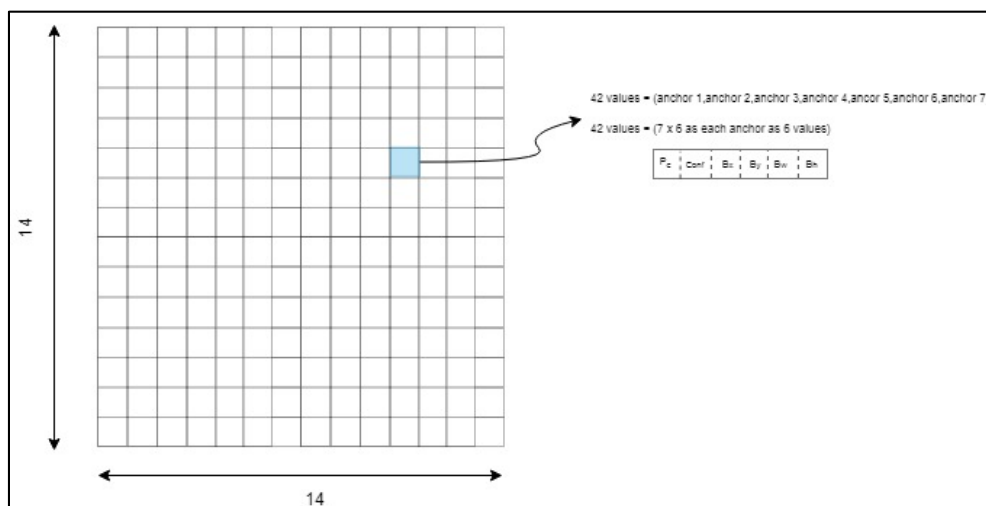
## Interpretation Graph

- The Interpretation Graph consists of the following sub-blocks:
  - interpret\_output**  
This block interprets output from network and extracts predicted class probability, predicated confidence scores, and bounding box values.  
Output of the convnet is a 14 x 14 x 42 tensor – there are 42 channels of data for each of the cells in the grid that is overlaid on the image and contains the bounding boxes and class predictions. This means the 42 channels are not stored consecutively but are scattered all over and need to be sorted. [Figure 4.11](#) and [Figure 4.12](#) show the details.



**Figure 4.11. Grid Output Visualization #1**

For each grid, cell values are aligned as shown in [Figure 4.12](#).



**Figure 4.12. Grid Output Visualization #2**

Figure 4.13 shows the output from the conv12 layer (4D array of batch size x 14 x 14 x 42) that needs to be sliced with the proper index to get all values of probability, confidence, and coordinates.

```
confidence
num_confidence_scores = mc.ANCHOR_PER_GRID
self.pred_conf = tf.sigmoid(
 tf.reshape(
 preds[:, :, :, :num_confidence_scores],
 [mc.BATCH_SIZE, mc.ANCHORS]
),
 name='pred_confidence_score'
)

probability
num_class_probs = mc.ANCHOR_PER_GRID*mc.CLASSES+num_confidence_scores

self.pred_class_probs = tf.reshape(
 tf.nn.softmax(
 tf.reshape(
 preds[:, :, :, num_confidence_scores:num_class_probs],
 [-1, mc.CLASSES]
)
),
 [mc.BATCH_SIZE, mc.ANCHORS, mc.CLASSES],
 name='pred_class_probs'
)

bbox_delta
self.pred_box_delta = tf.reshape(
 preds[:, :, :, num_class_probs:],
 [mc.BATCH_SIZE, mc.ANCHORS, 4],
 name='bbox_delta'
)
```

Figure 4.13. Code Snippet – Interpret Output Graph

For confidence score, this must be a number between 0 and 1, as such, sigmoid is used.

For predicting the class probabilities, there is a vector of NUM\_CLASS values at each bounding box. Apply a softmax to make it probability distribution.

- **bbox**  
This block calculates bounding boxes based on the anchor box and the predicated bounding boxes.
- **IOU**  
This block calculates Intersection over Union for detected bounding boxes and actual bounding boxes.
- **Probability**  
This block calculates detection probability and object class.

#### Loss Graph

- This block calculates different types of losses, which need to be minimized. To learn detection, localization, and classification, model defines a multi-task loss function. There are three types of losses which are considered for calculation:
  - **Bounding Box**  
This loss is regression of the scalars for the anchors.

```
with tf.variable_scope('bounding_box_regression') as scope:
 self.bbox_loss = tf.truediv(
 tf.reduce_sum(
 mc.LOSS_COEF_BBOX * tf.square(
 self.input_mask*(self.pred_box_delta-self.box_delta_input))),
 self.num_objects,
 name='bbox_loss'
)
 tf.add_to_collection('losses', self.bbox_loss)
```

Figure 4.14. Code Snippet – Bbox Loss

- Confidence Score
  - To obtain meaningful confidence score, each box's predicted value is regressed against the real and predicted box. During training, compare the ground truth bounding boxes with all anchors and assign them to the anchors with the largest overlap (IOU).
  - Select the *closest* anchor to match the ground truth box such that the transformation needed is reduced to minimum. Equation evaluates to 1 if the k-th anchor at position-(i, j) has the largest overlap with a ground truth box, and to 0 if no ground truth is assigned to it. This way, you only include the loss generated by the *responsible* anchors.
  - As there can be multiple objects per image, normalize the loss by dividing it by the number of objects (self.num\_objects).

```
with tf.variable_scope('confidence_score_regression') as scope:
 input_mask = tf.reshape(self.input_mask, [mc.BATCH_SIZE, mc.ANCHORS])
 self.conf_loss = tf.reduce_mean(
 tf.reduce_sum(
 tf.square((self.iou - self.pred_conf))
 * (input_mask*mc.LOSS_COEF_CONF_POS/self.num_objects
 +(1-input_mask)*mc.LOSS_COEF_CONF_NEG/(mc.ANCHORS-self.num_objects)),
 reduction_indices=[1]
),
 name='confidence_loss'
)
```

Figure 4.15. Code Snippet – Confidence Loss

- Class
  - The last part of the loss function is cross-entropy loss for each box to do classification, as you would for image classification.



```
with tf.variable_scope('class_regression') as scope:
 # cross-entropy: q * -log(p) + (1-q) * -log(1-p)
 # add a small value into log to prevent blowing up
 self.class_loss = tf.truediv(
 tf.reduce_sum(
 (self.labels*(-tf.log(self.pred_class_probs+mc.EPSILON))
 + (1-self.labels)*(-tf.log(1-self.pred_class_probs+mc.EPSILON)))
 * self.input_mask * mc.LOSS_COEF_CLASS),
 self.num_objects,
 name='class_loss'
)
 tf.add_to_collection('losses', self.class_loss)
```

Figure 4.16. Code Snippet – Class Loss

In one model architecture, you obtain the bounding box prediction, the classification, as well as the confidence score.

#### Train Graph

- This block is responsible for training the model with momentum optimizer to reduce all losses.

#### Visualization Graph

- This block provides visitations of detected results.

#### 4.2.3.3. Training

```
if mc.NUM_THREAD > 0:
 _, loss_value, conf_loss, bbox_loss, class_loss = sess.run(
 [model.train_op, model.loss, model.conf_loss, model.bbox_loss,
 model.class_loss], options=run_options)
else:
 feed_dict, _, _, _ = _load_data(load_to_placeholder=False)
 _, loss_value, conf_loss, bbox_loss, class_loss = sess.run(
 [model.train_op, model.loss, model.conf_loss, model.bbox_loss,
 model.class_loss], feed_dict=feed_dict)
```

Figure 4.17. Code Snippet – Training

*sess.run* feeds the data, labels batches to network, and optimizes the weights and biases. The code above handles the input data method in case of multiple threads preparing batches, or data preparation in the main thread.

### 4.3. Training from Scratch and/or Transfer Learning

To train the machine:

1. Go to the top/root directory of the Lattice training code from the command prompt.

The model works on 224 x 224 images.

Current human count training code uses mean = 0 and scale = 1/128 (0.0078125) in pre-processing step. Mean and scale can be changed in training code `@src/dataset/imdb.py` as shown in Figure 4.18.

```
v = np.where(v <= 255 - add_v, v + add_v, 255)
final_hsv = cv2.merge((h, s, v))
im = cv2.cvtColor(final_hsv, cv2.COLOR_HSV2BGR)

im -= mc.BGR_MEANS # -----
im /= 128.0 # to make input in the range of [0, 2)
orig_h, orig_w, _ = [float(v) for v in im.shape]
```

Figure 4.18. Training Code Snippet for Mean and Scale

The dataset path can be set in the training code `@src/dataset/kitti.py` and can be used in combination with the `--data_path` option while triggering training using `train.py` to get the desired path. For example, you can have `<data_path>/training/images` and `<data_path>/training/labels`.

```
def __init__(self, image_set, data_path, mc):
 imdb.__init__(self, 'kitti'+image_set, mc)
 self._image_set = image_set
 self._data_root_path = data_path
 self._image_path = os.path.join(self._data_root_path, 'training', 'images')
 self._label_path = os.path.join(self._data_root_path, 'training', 'labels')
 self._classes = self.mc.CLASS_NAMES
```

Figure 4.19. Training Code Snippet for Dataset Path

2. Create a train.txt file.

```
$ cd data/humancnt/
$ python dataset_create.py
```

```
k$ python dataset_create.py
k$ _
```

Figure 4.20. Create File for Dataset train.txt

#### Notes:

- train.txt – file name of dataset images
- image\_set – train (ImageSets/train.txt)
- data\_path – \$ROOT/data/humandet/
  - Images – \$ROOT/data/humandet/images
  - Annotations – \$ROOT/data/humandet/labels

### 3. Modify the training script.

@scripts/train.sh is used to trigger training. Figure 4.21 shows the input parameters, which can be configured.

```
python ./src/train.py \
 --dataset=KITTI \
 --pretrained_model_path=$PRETRAINED_MODEL_PATH \
 --data_path=$TRAIN_DATA_DIR \
 --image_set=train \
 --train_dir="$TRAIN_DIR/train" \
 --net=$NET \
 --summary_step=100 \
 --checkpoint_step=500 \
 --max_steps=2000000 \
 --gpu=$GPUID
```

Figure 4.21. Training Input Parameter

- \$TRAIN\_DATA\_DIR – dataset directory path. /data/humandet is an example.
- \$TRAIN\_DIR – log directory where checkpoint files are generated while model is training.
- \$GPUID – gpu id. If the system has more than one gpu, it indicates the one to use.
- --summary\_step – indicates at which interval loss summary should be dumped.
- --checkpoint\_step – indicates at which interval checkpoints are created.
- --max\_steps – indicates the maximum number of steps for which the model is trained.

### 4. Execute the run command script which starts training.

```
earth:$./run
self.preds: Tensor("conv12/bias_add:0", shape=(20, 14, 14, 42), dtype=float32, device=/device:GPU:0)
ANCHOR_PER_GRID: 7
CLASSES: 1
ANCHORS: 1372
max person: 22
Model statistics saved to ./logs/humancnt/train/model_metrics.txt.
name: GeForce RTX 2080 Ti major: 7 minor: 5 memoryClockRate(GHz): 1.755
pciBusID: 0000:01:00.0
totalMemory: 10.73GiB freeMemory: 10.34GiB
2019-09-16 14:55:32.019017: I tensorflow/core/common_runtime/gpu/gpu_device.cc:1512] Adding visible gpu devices: 0
2019-09-16 14:55:35.451832: I tensorflow/stream_executor/dso_loader.cc:152] successfully opened CUDA library libcublas.so.10.0 locally
conf_loss: 26.6821231842041, bbox_loss: 12.065683364868164, class_loss: 0.0
2019-09-16 14:55:36.940385: step 0, loss = 38.75 (5.8 images/sec; 3.466 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:39.423756: step 10, loss = 7.28 (240.5 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:40.269647: step 20, loss = 2.74 (241.6 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:41.106887: step 30, loss = 2.11 (239.2 images/sec; 0.084 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:41.949579: step 40, loss = 2.21 (241.7 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:42.786778: step 50, loss = 1.87 (241.1 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:43.613277: step 60, loss = 2.03 (241.3 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:44.448544: step 70, loss = 1.96 (240.3 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:45.289586: step 80, loss = 1.93 (240.5 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
2019-09-16 14:55:46.123831: step 90, loss = 2.19 (242.3 images/sec; 0.083 sec/batch)
conf_loss: 1.1395012140274048, bbox_loss: 1.0199577808380127, class_loss: 0.0
```

Figure 4.22. Execute Run Script

### 5. Start TensorBoard.

```
$ tensorboard --logdir=<log directory of training>
```

For example: tensorboard --logdir='./logs/humancnt/train/'

### 6. Open the local host port on your web browser.

```
earth:$ tensorboard --logdir logs/humancnt/train
TensorBoard 1.12.0 at http://earth:6006 (Press CTRL+C to quit)
```

Figure 4.23. TensorBoard – Generated Link

7. Check the training status on TensorBoard.

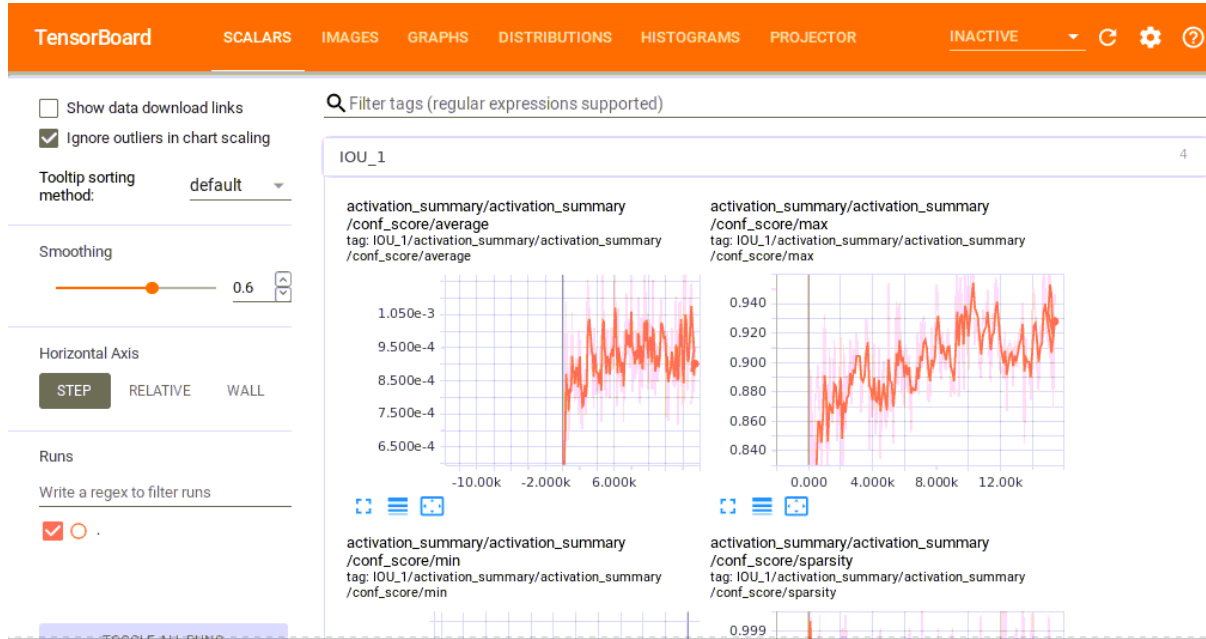


Figure 4.24. TensorBoard

Figure 4.25 shows the image menu of TensorBoard.

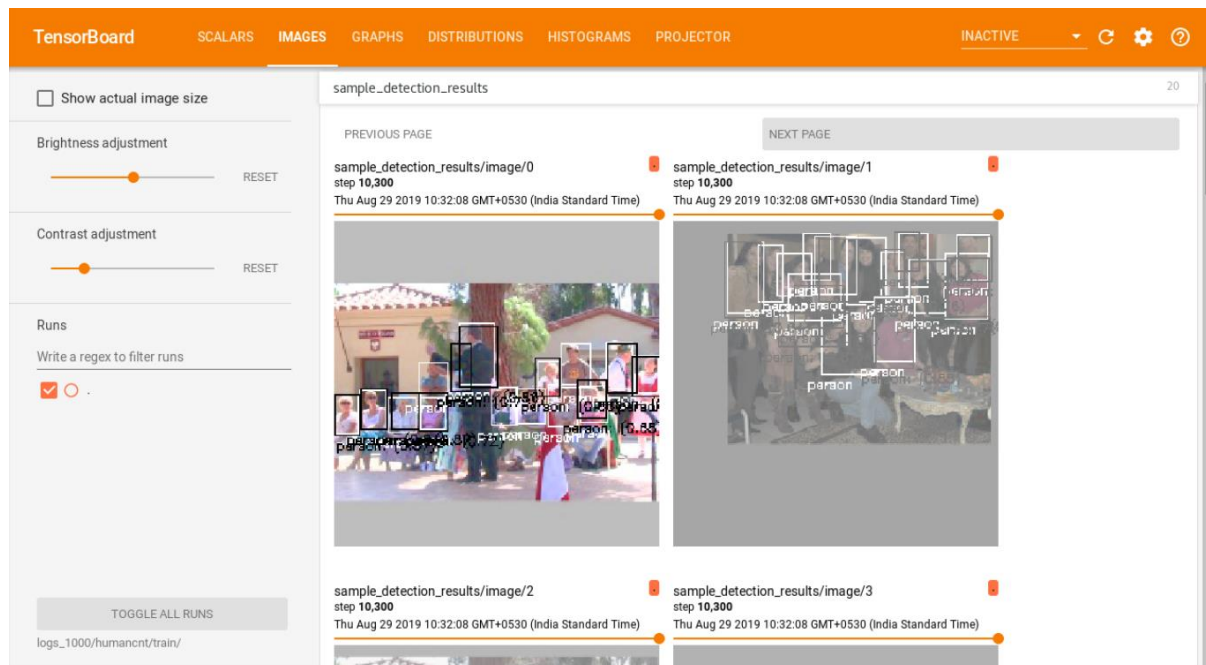


Figure 4.25. Image Menu of TensorBoard

8. Check if the checkpoint, data, meta, index, and events (if using TensorBoard) files are created at the log directory. These files are used for creating the frozen file (\*.pb).

| objectcount_training                                                                                                    | logs | humancnt | train |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----------|-------|
| Name                                                                                                                    |      |          |       |
|  checkpoint                            |      |          |       |
|  model.ckpt-249999.data-00000-of-00001 |      |          |       |
|  model.ckpt-249999.index               |      |          |       |
|  model.ckpt-249999.meta                |      |          |       |

**Figure 4.26. Example of Checkpoint Data Files at Log Folder**

## 5. Creating Frozen File

This section describes the procedure for freezing the model, which is aligned with the Lattice SensAI tool. Perform the steps below to generate the frozen protobuf file.

### 5.1. Generating the Frozen .pb File

Generate .pb file from latest checkpoint using the command below from the training code's root directory.

```
$ python src/genpb.py -ckpt_dir <log directory> --freeze
```

For example, `python src/genpb.py -ckpt_dir logs/humancnt/train --freeze`.

```
earth:$ python src/genpb.py --ckpt_dir logs/humancnt/train/ --freeze
generating ptxt
self.preds: Tensor("conv12/bias_add:0", shape=(20, 14, 14, 42), dtype=float32, device=/device:GPU:0)
ANCHOR_PER_GRID: 7
CLASSES: 1
ANCHORS: 1372
Using checkpoint: ./model.ckpt-249999
saved ptxt at checkpoint direcorey Path
inputShape shape [1, 224, 224, 3]
```

Figure 5.1. .pb File Generation from Checkpoint

Figure 5.2 shows the generated .pb file.

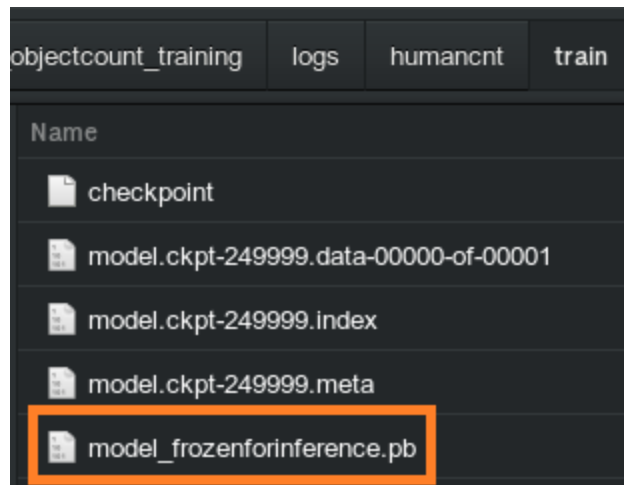


Figure 5.2. Frozen .pb File

## 6. Creating Binary File with Lattice SensAI

This chapter describes how to generate the binary file using the Lattice SensAI version 3.0 program.



Figure 6.1. SensAI Home Screen

To create the project in SensAI tool:

1. Click **File > New**.
2. Enter the following settings:
  - **Project Name**
  - **Framework – TensorFlow**
  - **Class – CNN**
  - **Device – CrossLink-NX**
  - **MOBILENET Mode – Disabled**
3. Click **Network File** and select the network (.pb) file.

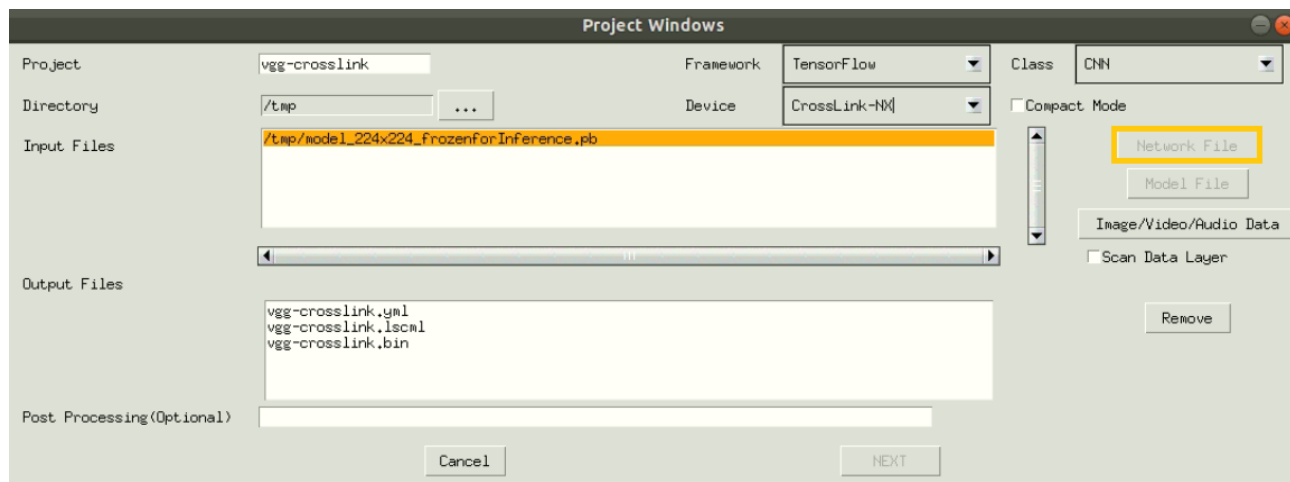


Figure 6.2. SensAI – Network File Selection

4. Click **Image/Video/Audio Data** and select the image input file.

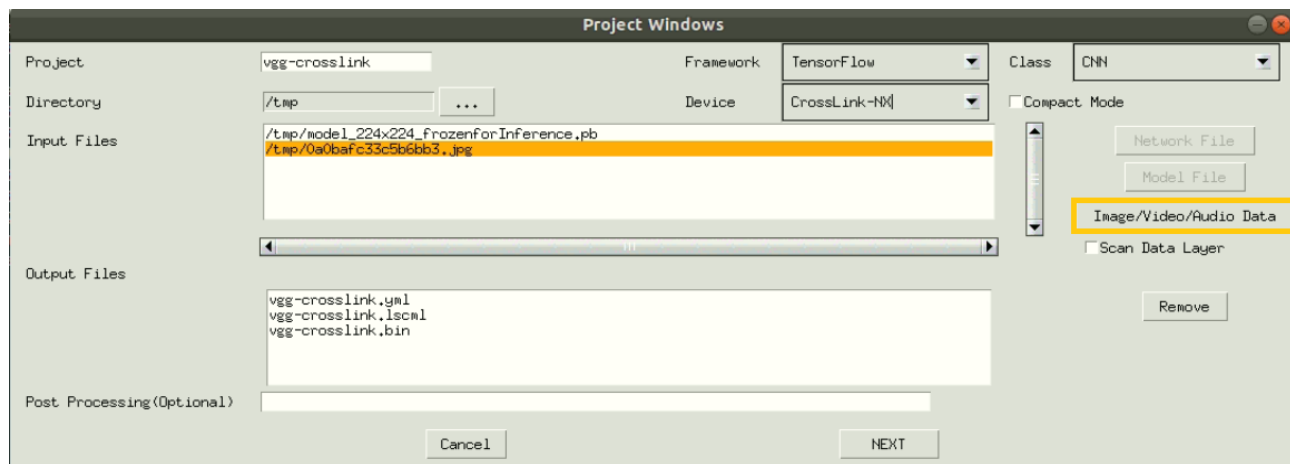
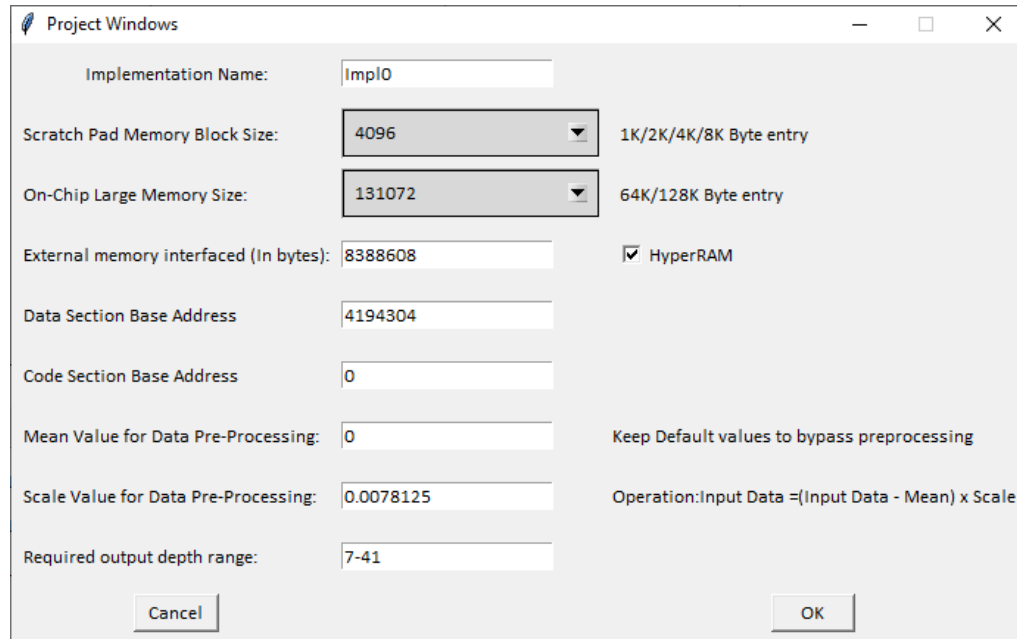


Figure 6.3. SensAI – Image Data File Selection

5. Click **NEXT**.
6. Configure your project settings.





Project Windows

Implementation Name: Impl0

Scratch Pad Memory Block Size: 4096 (1K/2K/4K/8K Byte entry)

On-Chip Large Memory Size: 131072 (64K/128K Byte entry)

External memory interfaced (In bytes): 8388608 ☒ HyperRAM

Data Section Base Address: 4194304

Code Section Base Address: 0

Mean Value for Data Pre-Processing: 0 (Keep Default values to bypass preprocessing)

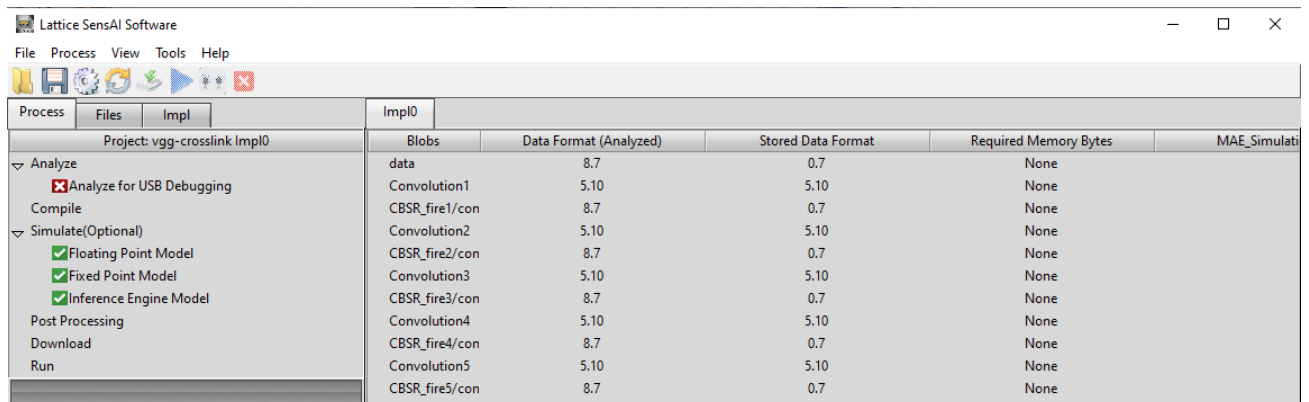
Scale Value for Data Pre-Processing: 0.0078125 (Operation: Input Data = (Input Data - Mean) x Scale)

Required output depth range: 7-41

Cancel OK

Figure 6.4. SensAI – Project Settings

7. Click **OK** to create the project.
8. Double-click **Analyze**.



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Project: vgg-crosslink Impl0

|                | Blobs | Data Format (Analyzed) | Stored Data Format | Required Memory Bytes | MAE_Simulati |
|----------------|-------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| data           |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |
| Convolution1   |       | 5.10                   | 5.10               | None                  |              |
| CBSR_fire1/con |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |
| Convolution2   |       | 5.10                   | 5.10               | None                  |              |
| CBSR_fire2/con |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |
| Convolution3   |       | 5.10                   | 5.10               | None                  |              |
| CBSR_fire3/con |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |
| Convolution4   |       | 5.10                   | 5.10               | None                  |              |
| CBSR_fire4/con |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |
| Convolution5   |       | 5.10                   | 5.10               | None                  |              |
| CBSR_fire5/con |       | 8.7                    | 0.7                | None                  |              |

Left sidebar options: Analyze, Analyze for USB Debugging, Compile, Simulate(Optional), Floating Point Model, Fixed Point Model, Inference Engine Model, Post Processing, Download, Run.

Figure 6.5. SensAI – Analyze Project

9. Confirm the Q format of each layer as shown in Figure 6.6 and update if required.

| Blobs                          | Data Format (Analyzed) | Stored Data Format(User Edit) | Required Memory Bytes | MAE_Simulation |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| data                           | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution1                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire1/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution2                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire2/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution3                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire3/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution4                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire4/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution5                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire5/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution6                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire6/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| Convolution7                   | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_fire7/conv3x3/convolution | 8,7                    | 0,7                           | None                  |                |
| conv12/convolution             | 5,10                   | 5,10                          | None                  |                |
| CBSR_conv12/convolution        | 8,7                    | 5,10                          | None                  |                |

Figure 6.6. Q Format Settings for Each Layer

10. Double-click **Compile** to generate the firmware file.

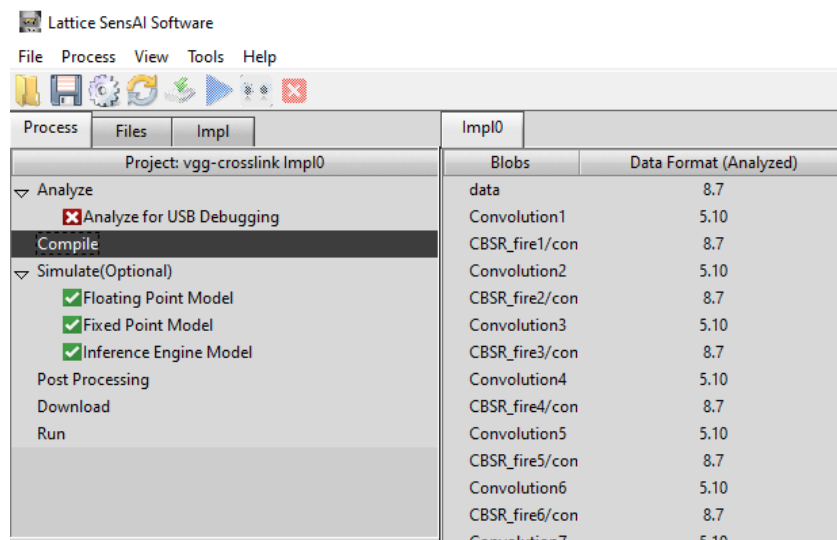


Figure 6.7. Compile Project

## 7. Hardware Implementation

### 7.1. Top Level Information

#### 7.1.1. Block Diagram

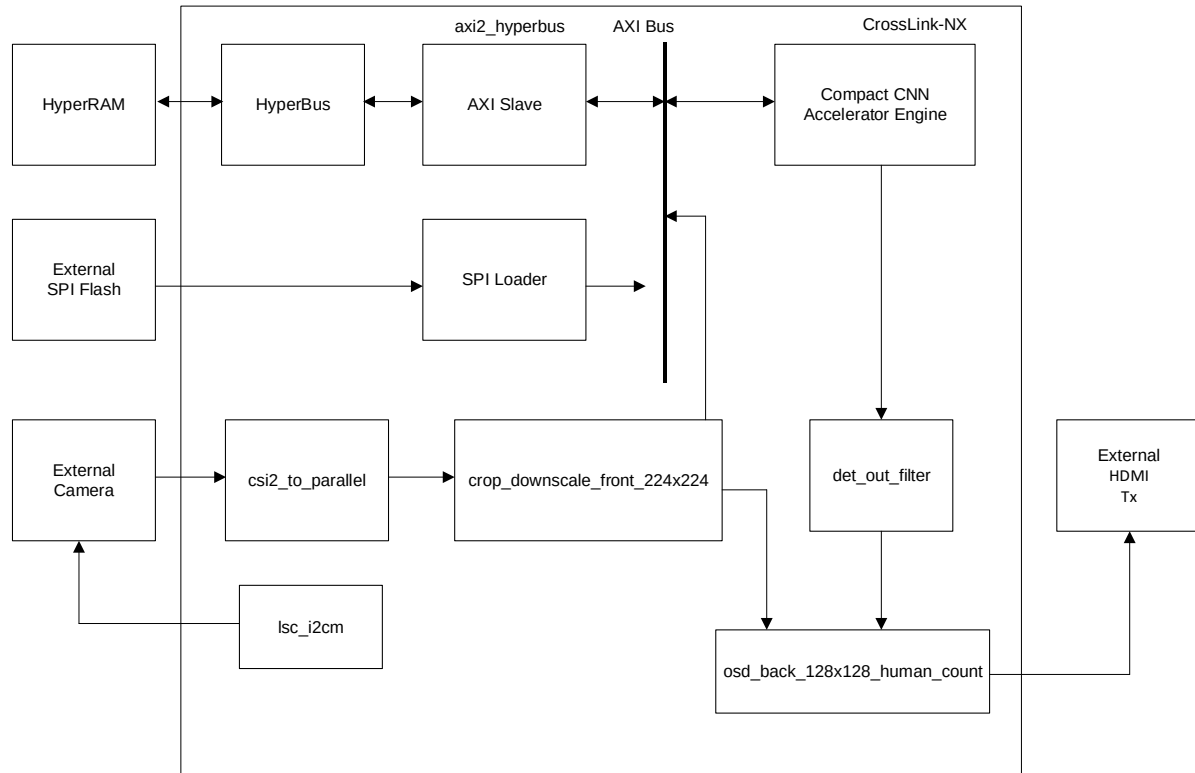


Figure 7.1. RTL Top Level Block Diagram

#### 7.1.2. Operational Flow

This section provides a brief idea about the data flow across the CrossLink-NX board.

- The CNN module is configured with the help of a binary (.bin) file stored in SPI Flash memory. The .bin file is a command sequence code, which is generated by the Lattice Machine Learning software tool.
- The command code is written in hyperRAM through AXI before the execution of CNN Accelerator IP Core starts. CNN reads command code from hyperRAM during its execution and performs calculation with it per command code. Intermediate data may be transferred from/to hyperRAM per command code.
- The external camera configured using *lsc\_i2cm* logic block captures the raw image and passes it to *csi2\_to\_parallel* module. This module separates the R, G, and B pixels from raw data and creates separated colors to match the real world using gain and offset controls.
- The RGB data from the *csi2\_to\_parallel* module is downsampled to 224x224 image resolution by the *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module to match CNN's input resolution. This data is written into hyperRAM memory through *axi2\_hyperbus* via *axi\_ws2m* AXI interface module.
- After the command code and input data are available, the CNN Accelerator IP Core starts calculation at the rising edge of start signal.
- The output data of CNN is passed to *det\_out\_filter* for post processing. *det\_out\_filter* generates bounding box X, Y, W, and H coordinates associated with top 10 confidence value indexes for 224 x 224 image resolution.
- These coordinates are passed to *osd\_back\_128x128\_human\_count* for resizing to fit the actual image resolution on the HDMI display.

### 7.1.3. Core Customization

Table 7.1. Core Parameter

| Constant                                        | Default (Decimal) | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| OVLP_TH_2X                                      | 5                 | Intersection Over Union Threshold (NMS)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| NUM_FRAC                                        | 10                | Fraction Part Width in Q-Format representation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| EN_INF_TIME                                     | 0                 | <p>Enable Timing measurement logic</p> <p>By default, it is zero and the memory file used is <i>human_count.meml</i>. If assigned 1, timing measurement is enabled and the memory file used is <i>human_count_INF.mem</i>.</p> <p>In order to configure the respective memory file, follow the steps below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open <i>dpram8192x8_human_count.ipx</i> from the File List in Radiant.</li> <li>2. Click <i>Browse Memory File</i> from Initialization section.</li> <li>3. Update the mem file path: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For 0 – <i>/src/jedi_common/human_count.mem</i></li> <li>• For 1 – <i>/src/jedi_common/human_count_INF.mem</i></li> </ul> </li> </ol> |
| INF_MULT_FAC                                    | 15907             | <p>Inference time multiplying factor calculated as per CNN clock frequency and using Q-Format (Q1.31).</p> <p>CNN Clock Frequency = 135 MHz</p> <p>Hence, CNN clock period</p> $= 1/(135 \times 10^6) \mu s$ $= 0.000007407 \text{ ms}$ <p>Now, <math>Q1.31 = 0.000007407 \times 2^{31} = \sim 15907</math></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| FLASH_START_ADDR                                | 24'h300000        | <p>SPI Flash Read Start Address (keep the same address in programmer while loading the firmware file)</p> <p>For example, for the current start address, programmer address should be 0x00300000.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| FLASH_END_ADDR                                  | 24'h400000        | <p>SPI Flash Read End Address (keep the same address in programmer while loading the firmware file)</p> <p>The address must be in multiple of 512 bytes.</p> <p>For example, for the current end address, programmer address should be: 0x00400000.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Constant Parameters (Not to be modified)</b> |                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| NUM_ANCHOR                                      | 1372              | Number of reference bounding boxes for all grids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| NUM_GRID                                        | 196               | Total number of Grids (X * Y)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| NUM_X_GRID                                      | 14                | Number of X Grids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| NUM_Y_GRID                                      | 14                | Number of Y Grids                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| PIC_WIDTH                                       | 224               | Picture Pixel Width (CNN Input)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| PIC_HEIGHT                                      | 224               | Picture Pixel Height (CNN Input)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| TOP_N_DET                                       | 10                | Number of Top confidence bounding boxes detection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| HYPERRAM_BASEADDR                               | 4194304           | Indicates hyperRAM starting Base address location value. This should match with the SensAI compiler while generating the firmware.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| BLUE_OFFSET                                     | 0                 | Indicates hyperRAM starting address location value to store Blue pixels                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| GREEN_OFFSET                                    | 50176             | Indicates hyperRAM starting address location value to store Green pixels. It is obtained as $PIC\_WIDTH * PIC\_HEIGHT$ .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| RED_OFFSET                                      | 100352            | Indicates hyperRAM starting address location value to store Red pixels. It is obtained as $PIC\_WIDTH * PIC\_HEIGHT * 2$ .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## 7.2. Architecture Details

### 7.2.1. SPI Flash Operation

RTL module spi\_loader\_spram provides SPI Flash read operation and writes that data into HyperRAM through the AXI interface. It reads from SPI Flash and as soon as the board gets powered up, the .bit and .bin files are loaded in the expected addresses.

- Expected Address for BIT File (Programmer) – 0x00000000 - 0x00100000
- Expected Address for Firmware File (Programmer) – FLASH\_START\_ADDR - FLASH\_END\_ADDR

Typical sequence of the SPI Read commands for SPI Flash MX25L12833F is implemented using FSM in RTL as per the flow of the operation below.

- After FPGA Reset, RELEASE FROM DEEP POWER DOWN command (0xAB) is passed to SPI Flash memory. Then RTL waits for 500 clock cycles for SPI flash to come into Standby mode if it is in Deep Power Down mode.
- RTL sends FAST READ command code (0x0B) on SPI MOSI signal for indication of Read Operation to SPI Flash.
- RTL sends three bytes of Address on SPI MOSI channel which determines the location in SPI flash from where the data needs to be read.
- This SPI Flash has eight Dummy cycles as wait duration before read data appears on MISO channel. After waiting for eight dummy cycles, the RTL code starts reading the data.
- This read sequence is shown in Figure 7.2. The SPI Interface Signal Mapping with RTL signals are as follow:
  - CS (Chip Select) => SPI\_CSS
  - SCLK (Clock) => SPI\_CLK
  - SI (Slave In) => SPI\_MOSI
  - SO (Slave Out) => SPI\_MISO
- The Read Data on the MISO signal is stored in a FIFO in RTL, which then reads the data in multiples of 512 bytes. After 512 bytes chip select is de-asserted, the AXI FSM state is activated.

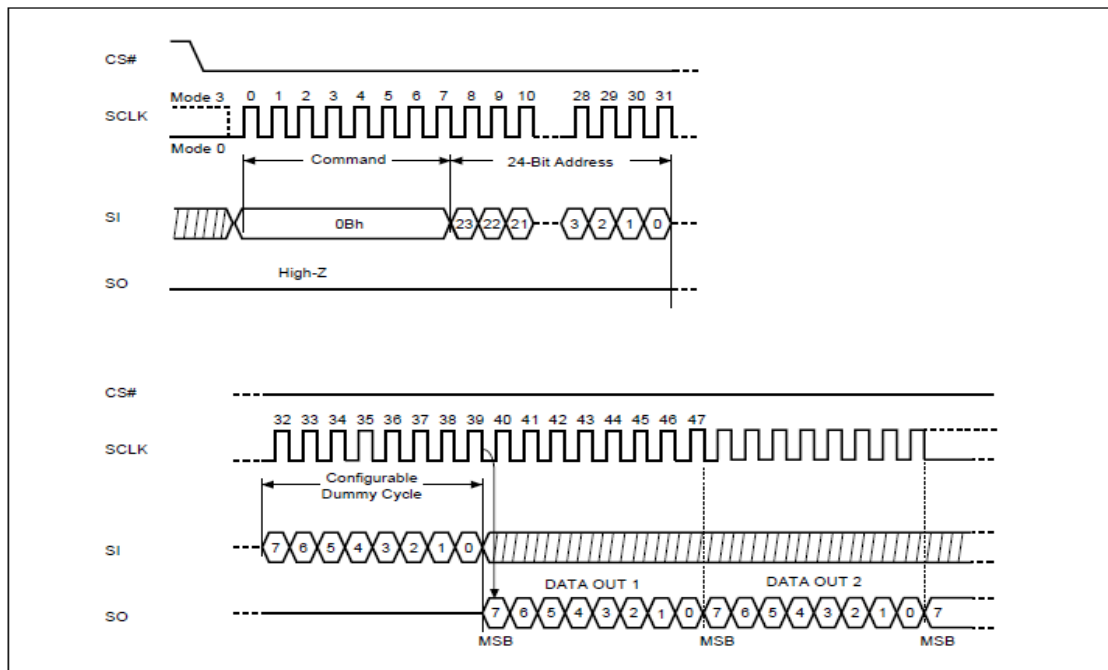


Figure 7.2. SPI Read Command Sequence

- AXI logic reads the data from FIFO in bursts of four on the AXI write channel, with each burst having 128 bytes.
- In accessing the HyperRAM, the axi\_ws2m module is used as a Muxing module among the multiple input slave AXI interfaces as shown in [Figure 7.6](#). The spi\_loader\_spram module is considered as SLAVE 0 and given priority to write into HyperRAM. The Master Interface connects to the axi2\_hyperbus module, which provides output interface for accessing HyperRAM.
- After writing to HyperRAM is complete, the 512 bytes are fetched from the SPI Flash using the same command sequence as explained above until the FLASH\_END\_ADDR is reached.

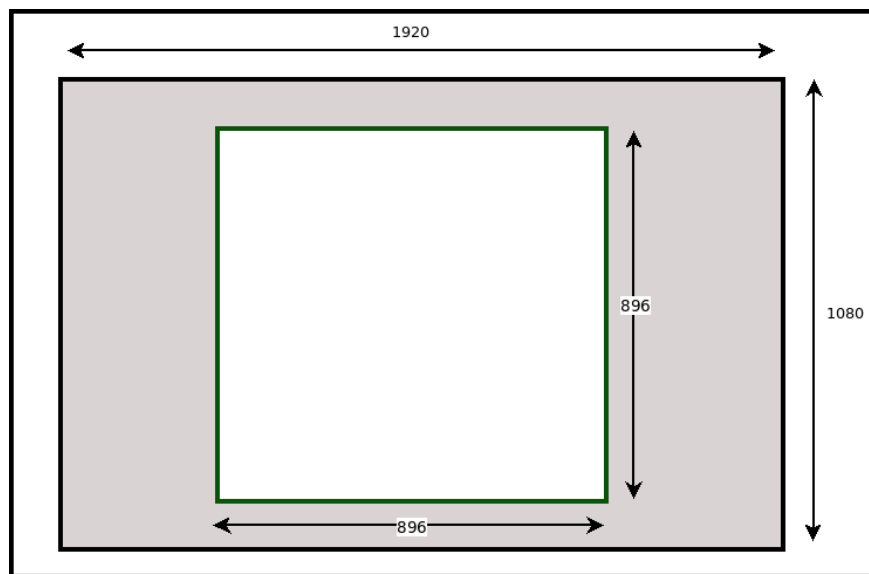
## 7.2.2. Pre-processing CNN

The output from csi2\_to\_parallel module is a stream of RGB data that reflects the camera image, which is given to *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module.

The *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module processes that image data and generates input of 224 x 224 image data interface for CNN IP.

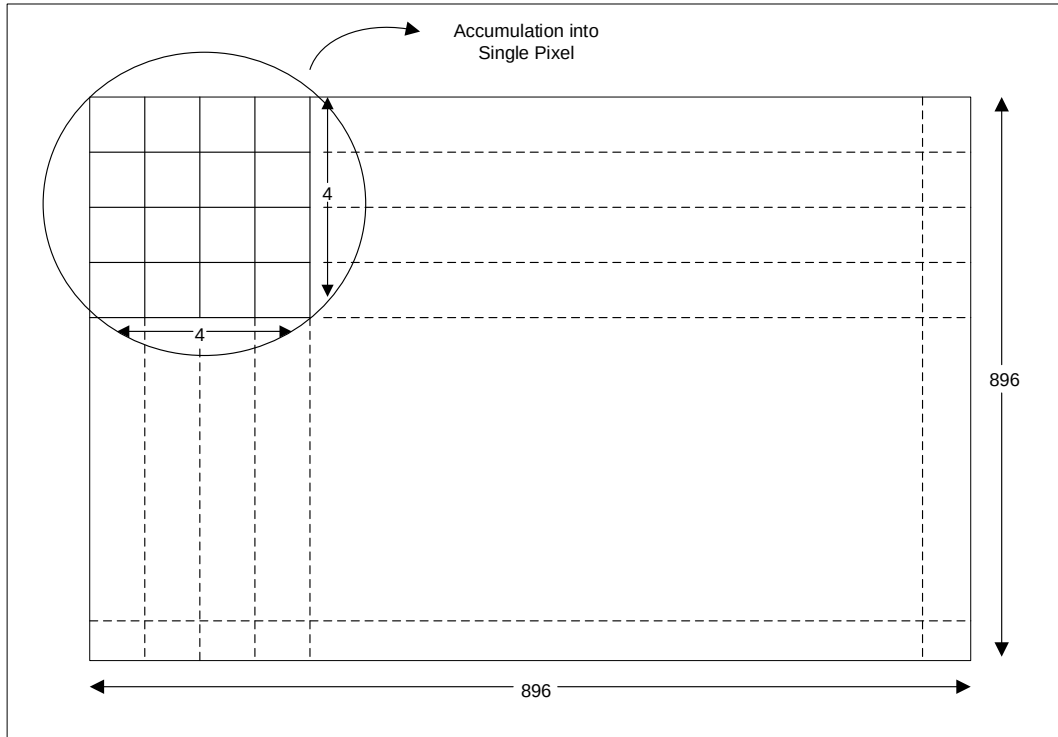
### 7.2.2.1. Pre-processing Flow

- RGB data values for each pixel are fed serially line by line for an image frame.
- These RGB data values are considered as valid only when horizontal and vertical masks are inactive. The mask parameters set to mask out boundary area of full HD resolution (1920 x 1080) to 896 x 896 are shown below.
  - Left masking = 512
  - Right masking = 1408 (Obtained as 512 + 896)
  - Top masking = 92
  - Bottom masking = 988 (Obtained as 92 + 896)
- The image obtained after masking is shown in [Figure 7.3](#).



**Figure 7.3. Masking**

- The 896 x 896 frame block is downsampled into 224 x 224 resolution image as shown in [Figure 7.4](#) by accumulating 4 x 4 pixels into single pixel (that is  $896/4 \times 896/4 = 224 \times 224$ ).

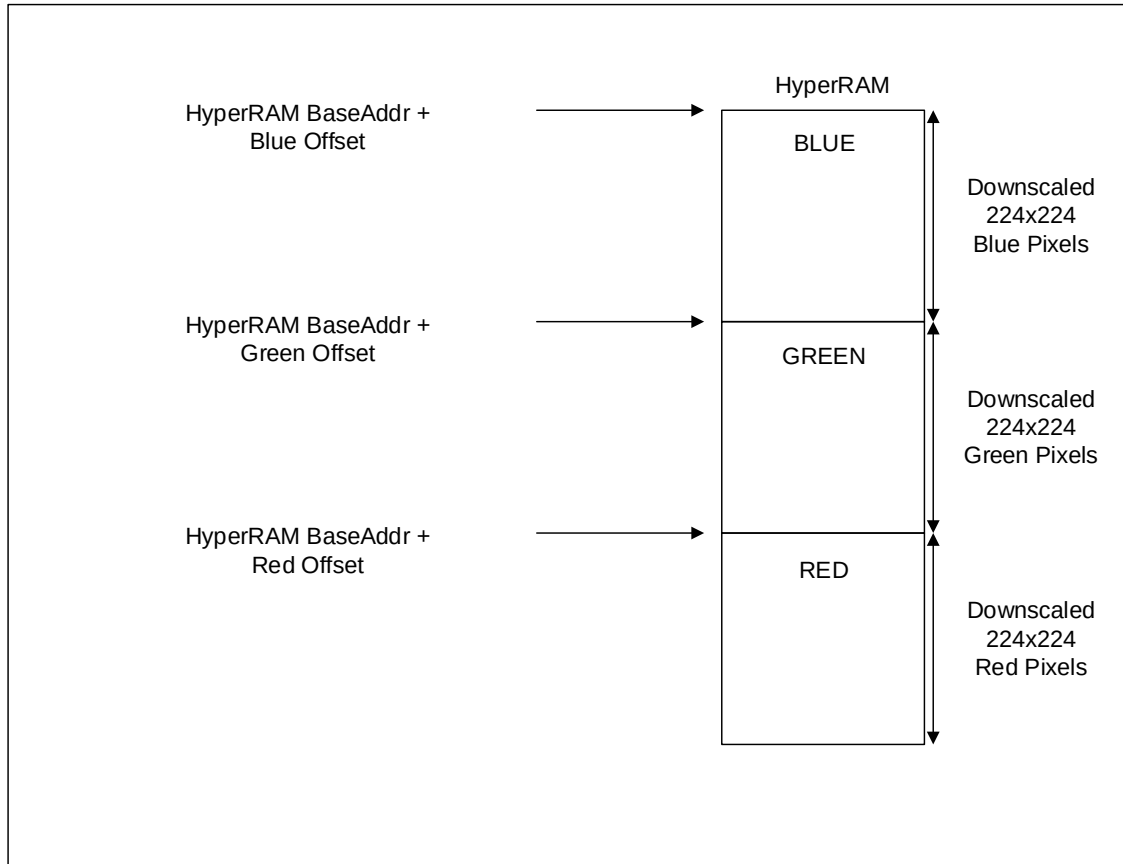


**Figure 7.4. Downscaling**

- This accumulated value is written into Frame Buffer. Frame Buffer is a True Dual-Port RAM. Accumulated R, G, and B pixel values for 4 x 4 grids are stored in the same memory location.
- When data is read from memory, each RGB value is divided by 16 (that is the area of the 4 x 4 grid) to take the average of 4 x 4 grid matrix.
- The data from memory is read and stored again in HyperRAM through `axi2_hyperbus`, via `axi_w2sm` module, which acts as an AXI interface to write data from slave (`crop_downscale_front_224x224`) to master (`axi2_hyperbus`). This process is described in the next section.

### 7.2.3. HyperRAM Operations

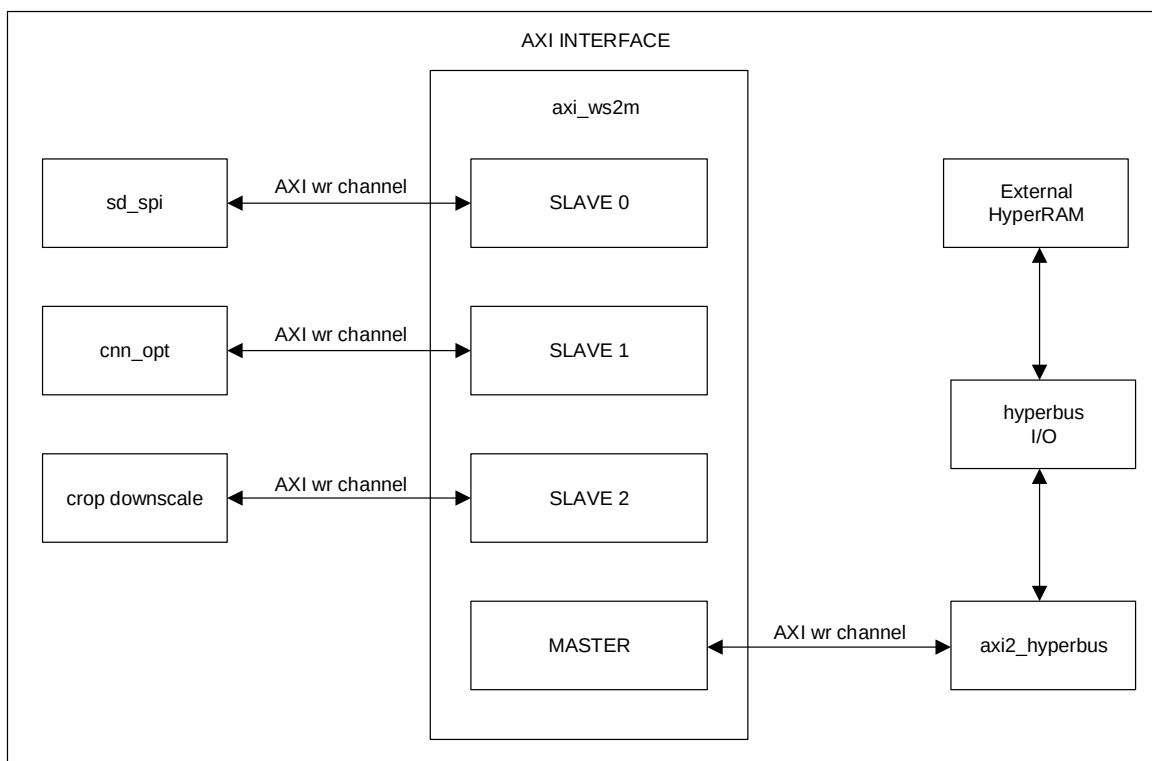
The CrossLink-NX board uses external HyperRAM for faster data transfer mechanism among the internal blocks and enhances the system performance. The *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module uses HyperRAM to store the downscaled image data.



**Figure 7.5. HyperRAM Memory Addressing**

- The 896 x 896 image is distributed into 224 horizontal and 224 vertical lines, and each block consists of 4 x 4 pixels as shown in [Figure 7.4](#). Thus, there is a total of 224 x 224 x 3 pixel values for the downscaled image (3 stands for RGB).
- Primarily, the *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module stores 224 values each of RGB into a local FIFO for all 224 horizontal blocks. Later, this stored data is written to HyperRAM through write data channel.
- As shown in [Figure 7.5](#), when final data is written out, 224 x 224 Blue pixels are initially stored into HyperRAM starting from Blue offset address location, followed by 224 x 224 Green pixels from the Green offset address location, and finally, 224 x 224 Red pixels from the Red offset address location. These offset address values are mentioned in [Table 7.1](#) as core customization parameters.
- The 224 x 224 x 3 pixel values stored in HyperRAM are serially obtained by the CNN engine after getting command sequence.
- In order for the *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module to access HyperRAM for the operations explained above, the *axi\_ws2m* module functions as an AXI interface as shown in [Figure 7.6](#).
- For the internal blocks to access HyperRAM, the *axi\_ws2m* module considers the *sd\_spi* module as SLAVE 0, the *cnn\_opt* module as SLAVE 1, the *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module as SLAVE 2, and the MASTER connects these slaves to the *axi2\_hyperbus* module.
- The priority to select the write channel for any Slave is done on the basis of muxing logic whenever the valid address is available from the respective Slave on its write address channel. Thus, when valid write address is obtained from the *crop\_downscale\_front\_224x224* module, access is given to Slave 2 to use HyperRAM.





**Figure 7.6. HyperRAM Access Block Diagram**

#### 7.2.4. Post-processing CNN

CNN provides a total of 6860 [1372 x 6 (C, P, X, Y, W, H)] values, which are given to the det\_out\_filter module. The CNN output data consists of the following parameters.

**Table 7.2. Data Parameters of CNN Output**

| Parameter | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| C         | This parameter indicates the confidence of detected object class.<br>For each grid cell (14 x 14), one confidence value (16 Bit) for each anchor box (7) is provided making total values of confidence $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ from CNN Output.                                                       |
| P         | This parameter indicates the probability of detected object class.<br>For each grid cell (14 x 14), one probability value (16-bit) for each anchor box (7) is provided making total values of probability $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ from CNN Output.                                                    |
| X         | This parameter indicates the Relative X coordinate to transform the anchor box into a predicted bounding box for detected object.<br>For each grid cell, one Relative X value (16-bit) for each anchor box is provided making total values of $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ for X from CNN Output.          |
| Y         | This parameter indicates the Relative Y coordinate to transform the anchor box into a predicted bounding box for detected object.<br>For each grid cell, one Relative Y value (16-bit) for each anchor box is provided making total values of $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ for Y from CNN Output.          |
| W         | This parameter indicates the Relative W (Width) coordinate to transform the anchor box into a predicted bounding box for detected object.<br>For each grid cell, one Relative W value (16-bit) for each anchor box is provided making total values of $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ for W from CNN Output.  |
| H         | This parameter indicates the Relative H (Height) coordinate to transform the anchor box into a predicted bounding box for detected object.<br>For each grid cell, one Relative H value (16-bit) for each anchor box is provided making total values of $14 * 14 * 7 = 1372$ for H from CNN Output. |

Figure 7.7 shows the format of CNN output.

| OutputData | C     |         |     |           | X         | Y         | W         | H         | X         | Y         | W         | H     |
|------------|-------|---------|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Index No   | 0-195 | 196-391 | ... | 1176-1371 | 1372-1567 | 1568-1763 | 1764-1960 | 2156-2351 | 2352-2547 | 2548-2743 | 2744-2939 |       |
| Grid No    | 0-195 | 0-195   | ... | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195     | 0-195 |
| Anchor No  | 1     | 2       | ... | 7         | 1         |           |           |           | 2         |           |           |       |

**Figure 7.7. CNN Output Data Format**

The primary functionality of the `det_out_filter` module is to capture the CNN valid output and modify it to work with the `crop_downscale_human_count` module.

The `det_out_filter` module contains three sub-modules: `det_sort_conf`, `det_st_class` and `det_st_bbox`.

- 1372 values of confidence are passed to the `det_sort_conf` module. It sorts out the top 10 highest confidence values and stores their indexes. Index values are passed to the `det_st_class` and `det_st_bbox` modules.
- 1372 values of probability are passed to the `det_st_class` module. It provides the valid class probability bitmap, which is passed to the `det_st_bbox` module.
- 1372 x 4 values of coordinates are passed to the `det_st_bbox` module. It calculates the bounding box coordinates, performs NMS and provides valid box bitmap.

The `crop_downscale` module contains logic for post processing.

- The `draw_box` module calculates the box coordinates for 89 x 896 image from 224 x 224 coordinates.
- The `lsc_osd_text` module generates character bitmap for text display on HDMI.

#### 7.2.4.1. Confidence Sorting

- All input confidence values (1372) are compared with threshold parameter `CONF_THRESH` value. Confidence values that are greater than threshold are considered as valid for sorting.
- The `det_sort_conf` module implements an anchor counter (0-1371), which increments on each confidence value. It provides the index of confidence value given by the CNN output.
- Two memory arrays are generated in this module: (1) sorted top 20 (`TOP_N_DET`) confidence value array, and (2) sorted top 20 confidence index array.
- For sorting, a standard sorting algorithm is followed. As input confidence values start arriving, each value is compared with stored/initial value at each location of the confidence value array.
- If the input value is greater than stored/initial value on any array location and lesser than stored/initial value of previous array location, the input value is updated on current array location. The previously stored value of current location is shifted into the next array location.
- Refer to Figure 7.8 for sorting of new value of confidence into existing confidence value array. Calculated confidence index (anchor count value) is also updated in the confidence index array along with the confidence value array.

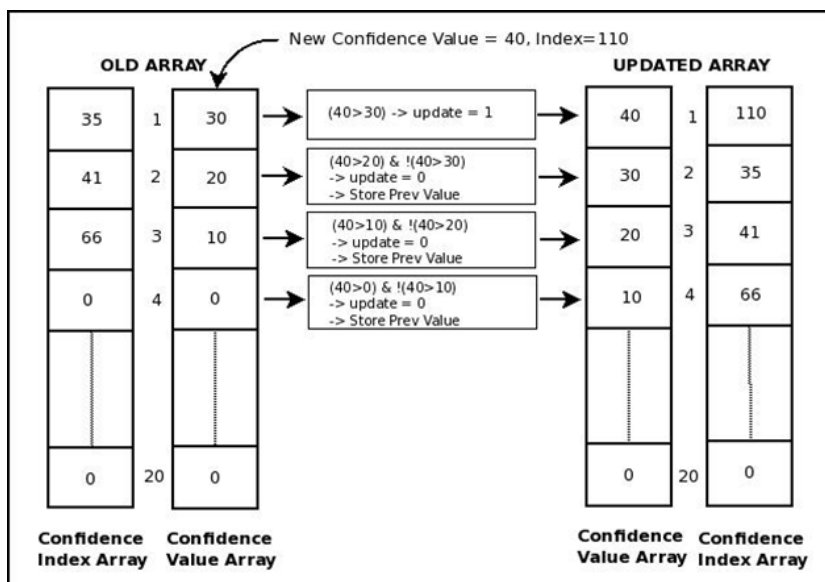


Figure 7.8. Confidence Sorting

- This process is followed for all 1372 confidence values. This module provides 10 indexes (o\_idx\_00 to o\_idx\_09) as output along with the count of valid indexes (o\_num\_conf). o\_idx\_00 contains the highest confidence value index and o\_idx\_09 contains the lowest confidence value index.

#### 7.2.4.2. Bounding Box Calculation

The SqueezeDet Neural Network for Object Detection is trained with seven reference boxes of pre-selected shapes having constant W (Width) and H (Height). These reference boxes are typically referred as anchors.

Table 7.3. Pre-Selected Width and Height of Anchor Boxes

| Anchor No.    | 1       | 2       | 3     | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7     |
|---------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| W x H (pixel) | 184x184 | 138x138 | 92x92 | 69x69 | 46x46 | 34x34 | 23x23 |

Anchors are centered around 14 x 14 grid cells of image. So each grid center has above seven anchors with pre-selected shape. 14 x 14 are the number of grid centers along horizontal and vertical directions. The grid center (X, Y) pixel values are shown in Table 7.4.

Table 7.4. Grid Center Values (X, Y) for Anchor Boxes

| Grid No.  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| X (pixel) | 15 | 30 | 45 | 60 | 75 | 90 | 105 | 119 | 134 | 149 | 164 | 179 | 194 | 209 |
| Y (pixel) | 15 | 30 | 45 | 60 | 75 | 90 | 105 | 119 | 134 | 149 | 164 | 179 | 194 | 209 |

CNN provides a total of 1372 (14 x 14 x 7) values of each relative coordinates X, Y, W, and H to transform the fixed size anchor into a predicted bounding box. Input X, Y, W, and H values associated with top 20 sorted confidence indexes are used for box calculation in det\_st\_bbox module.

Each anchor is transformed to its new position and shape using the relative coordinates as shown in logic 1.

LOGIC 1

$X' = X$  coordinate of Predicted Box  
 $X$  = Grid Center X according to Grid number  
 $W$  = Width of Anchor according to Anchor number  
 $\Delta X$  = Relative coordinate for X (CNN output)

$$X' = X + W * \Delta X$$

```
Y' = Y + H * DeltaY
W' = W * DeltaW
H' = H * DeltaH
```

The Box co-ordinates are passed to bbox2box module in jedi\_human\_count\_top.v after NMS process.

#### 7.2.4.3. NMS – Non Max Suppression

The NMS is implemented to make sure that in object detection, a particular object is identified only once. It filters out the overlapping boxes using OVLP\_TH\_2X value.

NMS process is started when the CNN output data is completely received.

- The process starts from the box having highest Confidence coordinates: 0<sup>th</sup> location in X, Y, W, H array.
- These coordinates are compared against the second highest Confidence coordinates: First location in X, Y, W, H array. From this comparison, Intersection and Union coordinates are found.
- From these coordinates, Intersection and Union area are calculated between the highest confidence box and the second highest confidence box as shown in Figure 7.9.

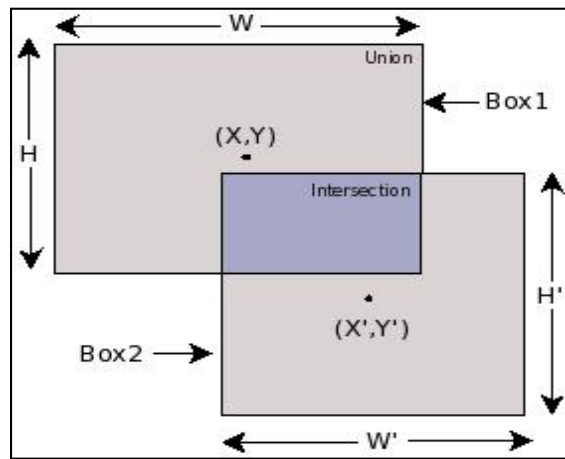


Figure 7.9. Intersection-Union Area NMS

- If  $Intersection\ Area * (OVLP\_TH\_2X/2) > Union\ Area$ , the box with the lower confidence value is blocked in final output.
- This NMS calculation is performed between all the combinations of two boxes.
- After all combinations are checked, output array o\_bbox\_bmap contains boxes, which are correctly overlapped or non-overlapped. o\_out\_en provides valid pulse for crop\_downscale\_human\_count for further processing on these box coordinates.

#### 7.2.4.4. Bounding Box Upscaling

The process of upscaling bounding boxes for 896 x 896 resolution is accomplished by two different modules bboxbox and draw\_box\_simple.

Initially, the bbox2box module in jedi\_human\_count\_top.v obtains box coordinate outputs from det\_out\_filter.

The bbox2box module clamps the coordinate values so that the box remains out of masking area. This is shown in Logic 2.

LOGIC 2

```
If (X' < 0) => X'' = 0 | Else if (X' > 223) => X'' = 223 | Else X'' = X'
If (Y' < 0) => Y'' = 0 | Else if (Y' > 223) => Y'' = 223 | Else Y'' = Y'
If (W' < 0) => W'' = 0 | Else if (W' > 223) => W'' = 223 | Else W'' = W'
```

The final calculated X'', Y'', W'', and H'' values for all the boxes in bbox2box are then sent to draw\_box\_simple module via osd\_back\_128x128\_human\_count module.

The draw\_box\_simple module converts these X, Y, W, and H input coordinates provided for 224 x 224 resolution into 896 x 896 resolution as shown in Logic 3.

#### LOGIC 3

```

X1 = (X'' - W''/2) * 4 + Horizontal-Mask (512/960)
Y1 = (Y'' - H''/2) * 4 + Vertical-Mask (92)
X2 = (X'' + W''/2) * 4 + Horizontal-Mask (512/960)
Y2 = (Y'' + H''/2) * 4 + Vertical-Mask (92)

```

(X, Y) are considered as center of the Box of Width W and Height H for calculating extreme ends of the Box (X1, X2 and Y1, Y2). For converting from 224 to 896, the coordinates are multiplied with 4. Required offset value is added in co-ordinate calculations to keep the boxes out of mask area. X1, X2 and Y1, Y2 coordinates are calculated for each Box.

Pixel Counter and Line Counter keeps track of the pixels of each line, and lines of each frame. The outer boundary of the box and inner boundary of the box are calculated when Pixel and Line counter reaches to co-ordinates (X1, X2) and (Y1, Y2) respectively. Calculations are done as per Logic 4.

#### LOGIC 4

```

Outer Box = (Pixel Count >= (X1 - 1)) and (Pixel Count <= (X2 + 1)) and
 (Line Count >= (Y1 - 1)) and (Line Count <= (Y2 + 1))
Inner Box = (Pixel Count > (X1 + 1)) and (Pixel Count < (X2 - 1)) and
 (Line Count > (Y1 + 1)) and (Line Count < (Y2 - 1))

```

Each bounding box is calculated by removing the intersecting area of outer and inner box. The box is only displayed if the Box-Bitmap for that box is set to 1 (from the *det\_st\_bbox* via *bbox2box* module). Box on calculations are as done as Logic 5.

#### LOGIC 5

```

Box_on[1] = Outer Box[1] and ~Inner Box[1] and Box-Bitmap[1]
Box_on[2] = Outer Box[2] and ~Inner Box[2] and Box-Bitmap[2]
.
.
Box_on[20] = Outer Box[20] and ~Inner Box[20] and Box-Bitmap[20]

```

The *o\_box\_obj* signal is asserted when any of the above Box\_on signal is set which is then connected to green\_on signal and processed for Bounding Box display through HDMI.

#### 7.2.4.5. OSD Text Display

- The *lsc\_osd\_text* module provides bitmap of each ASCII character to be displayed with specified position on screen. It takes count of detected Humans and Threshold value as input.
- It sets an output signal (text\_on) when text is to be displayed on HDMI. When text\_on is set, RGB value for that pixel location is assigned FFF value (White color) and sent to HDMI output instead of original pixel value.

#### 7.2.4.6. HDMI Display Management

RGB data is passed serially to HDMI and it is multiplexed by following values.

- If Signal Text is on (text\_on) – Pass all RGB value as FFF for White color display.
- If Signal Green is on (green\_on) – Pass only Green pixel value as FFF. Keep Red and Blue values as 0.
- If Signal Mask is on (fmask\_on) – Pass darker RGB pixel values.
- Else – Pass Input RGB Data as it is.

## 8. Creating FPGA Bitstream File

This section describes the steps to compile RTL bitstream using Lattice Radiant tool.

To create the FPGA bitstream file:

1. Open the Lattice Radiant Software. Default screen is shown in [Figure 8.1](#).

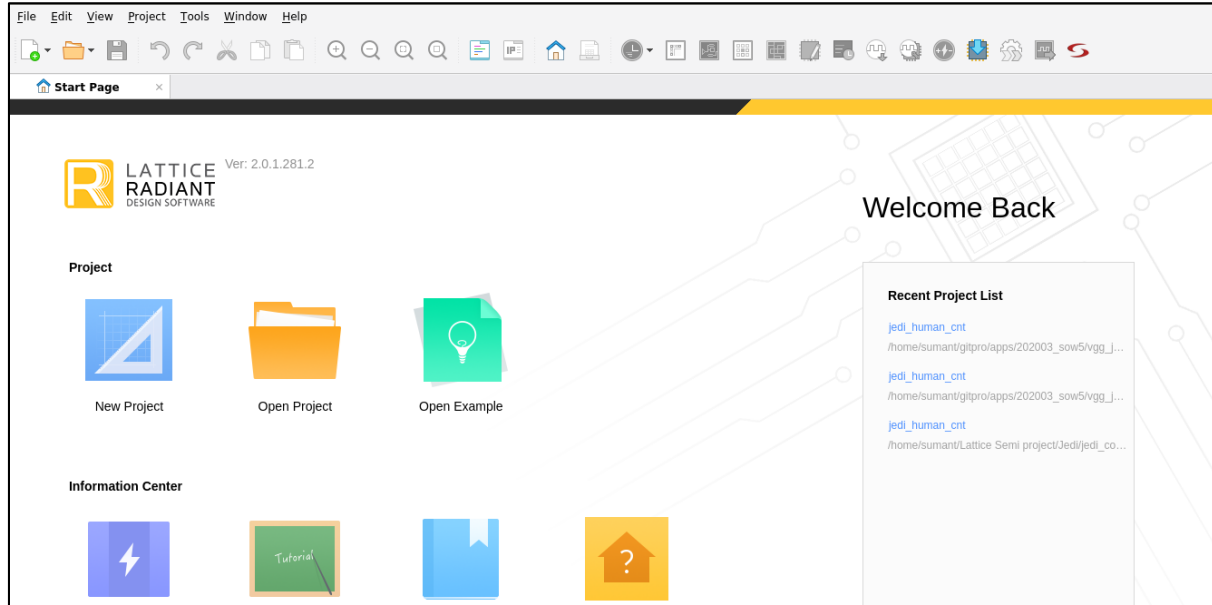


Figure 8.1. Radiant – Default Screen

2. Go to **File > Open > Project**.
3. Open the Radiant project file (.rdf) for CrossLink-NX Human Count Demo RTL. As shown in [Figure 8.2](#), you can also open the project by selecting the yellow folder shown in the user interface.

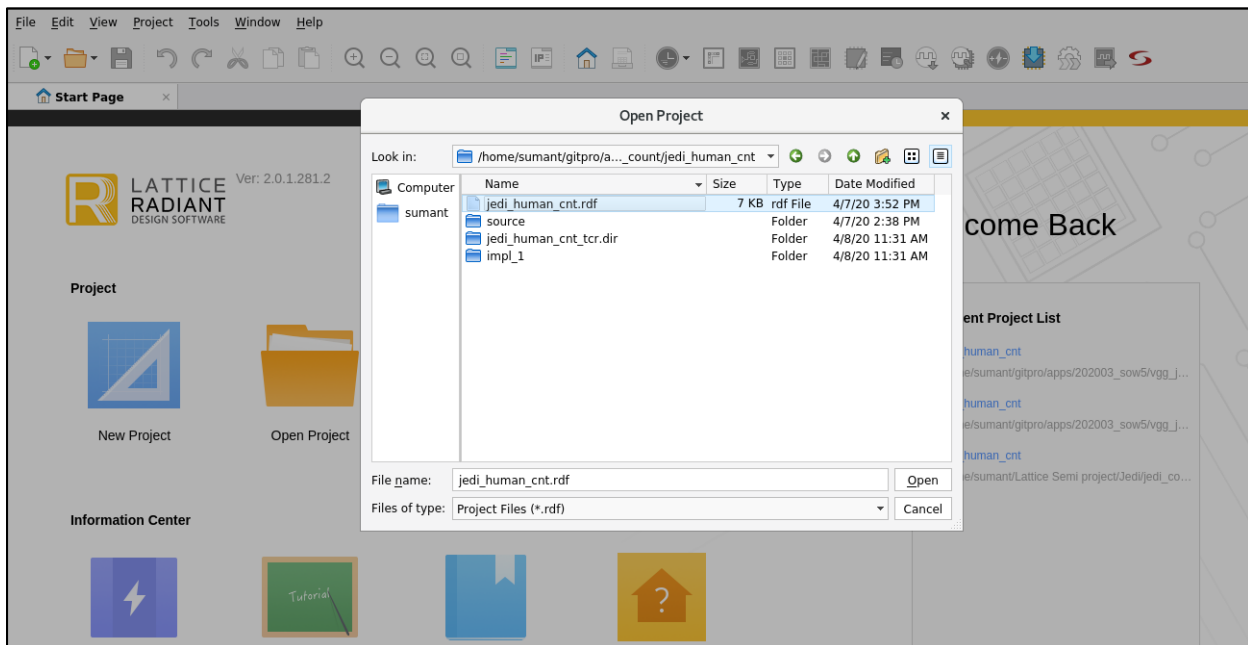


Figure 8.2. Radiant – Open CrosslinkNX Project File (.rdf)

4. After opening the project file, check the following points shown in [Figure 8.3](#).
  - The design loaded with zero errors message shown in the *Output* window.
  - Check the following information in the *Project Summary* window.
    - **Part Number – LIFCL-40-9BG400I**
    - **Family – LIFCL**
    - **Device – LIFCL-40**
    - **Package – CABGA400**

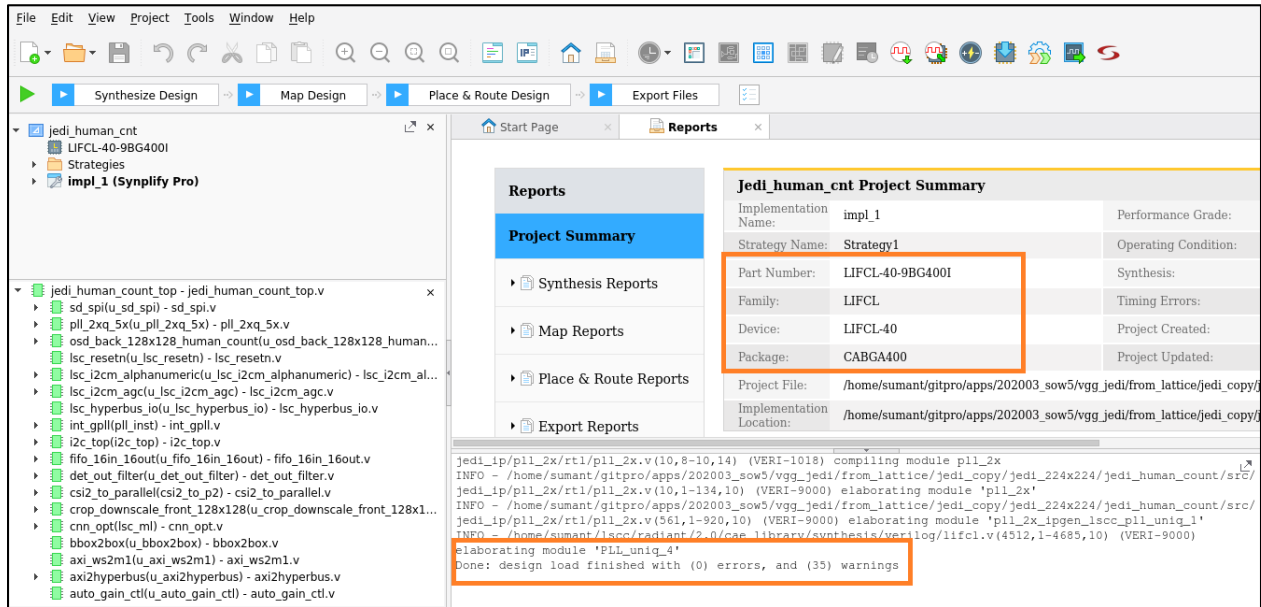


Figure 8.3. Radiant – Design Load Check After Opening the Project File

5. If the design is loaded without errors, click the **Run** button to trigger bitstream generation as shown in [Figure 8.4](#).

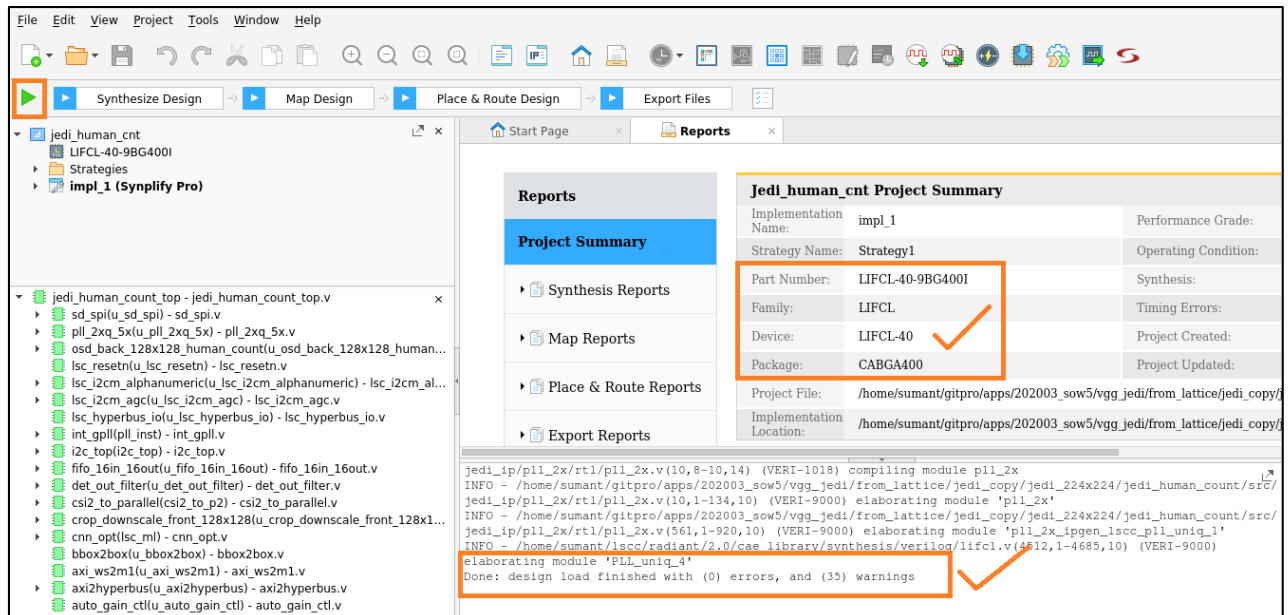


Figure 8.4. Radiant – Trigger Bitstream Generation

6. The Lattice Radiant tool displays *Saving bit stream in ...* message in the **Reports** window as shown in Figure 8.5. The bitstream is generated at *Implementation Location* as shown in Figure 8.5.

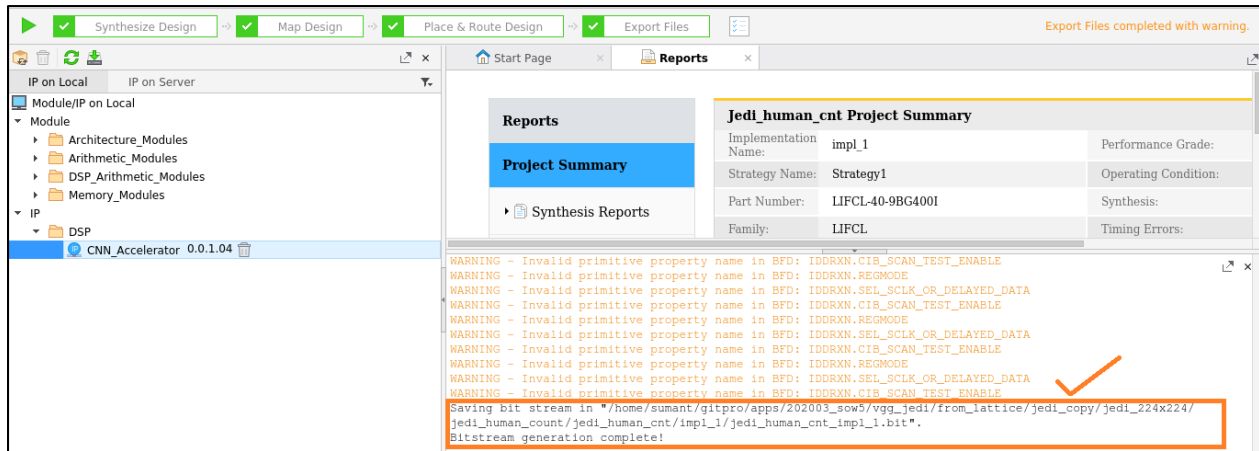


Figure 8.5. Radiant – Bit File Generation Report Window



## 9. Programming the Demo

### 9.1. Programming the CrossLink-NX SPI Flash

#### 9.1.1. Erasing the CrossLink-NX SRAM Prior to Reprogramming

If the CrossLink-NX device is already programmed (either directly, or loaded from SPI Flash), follow this procedure to first erase the CrossLink-NX SRAM memory before re-programming the CrossLink-NX's SPI Flash. If you are doing this, keep the board powered when re-programming the SPI Flash (so it does not reload on reboot).

To erase the CrossLink-NX device SRAM:

1. Start Diamond Programmer. In the Getting Started dialog box, select **Create a new blank project**.

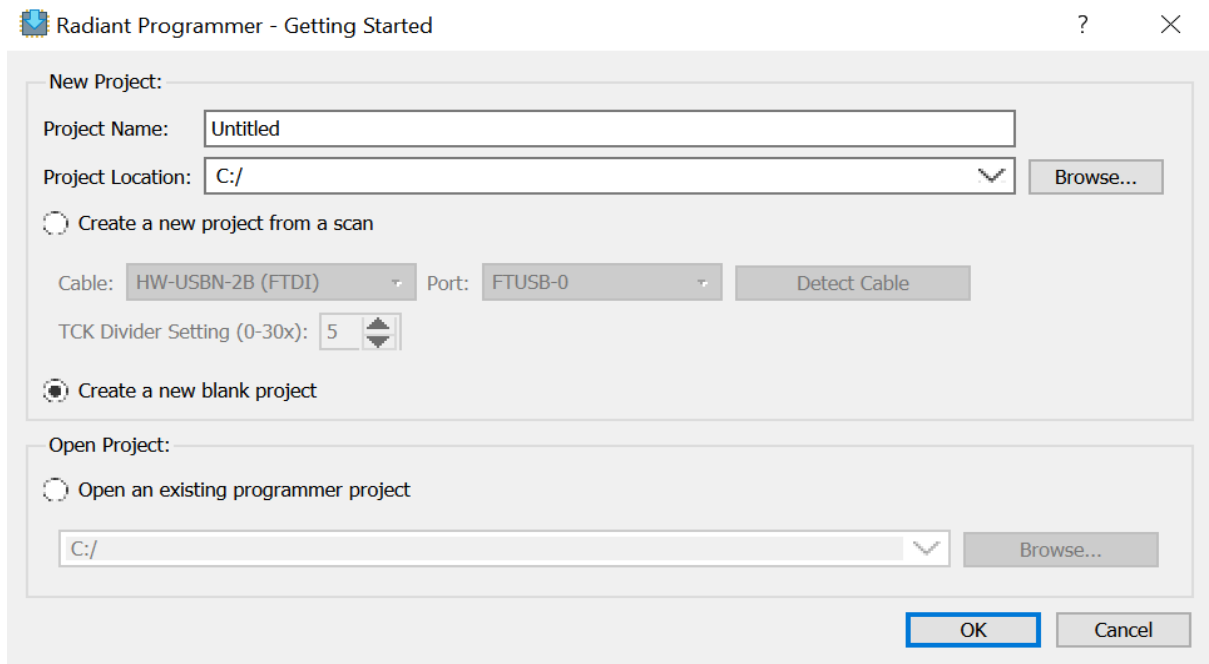


Figure 9.1. Radiant Programmer – Default Screen

2. Click **OK**.
3. In the Radiant Programmer main interface, Select **LIFMD** for Device Family, **LIFCL** for Device Vendor, and **LIFCL-40** for Device as shown in Figure 9.2.

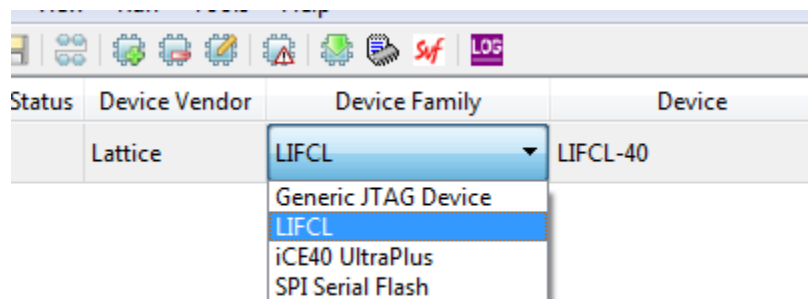


Figure 9.2. Radiant Programmer – Device Selection

4. Right-click and select **Device Properties**.
5. Select **JTAG** for Port Interface, **Direct Programming** for Access Mode, and **Erase Only** for Operation as shown in Figure 9.3.

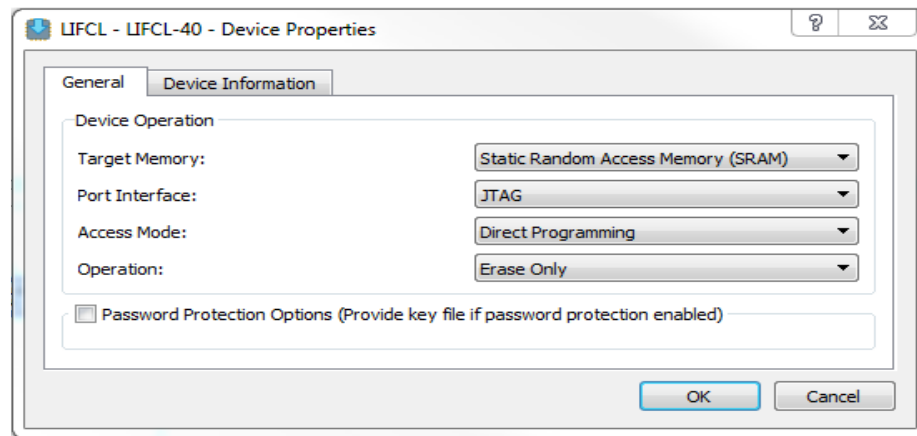


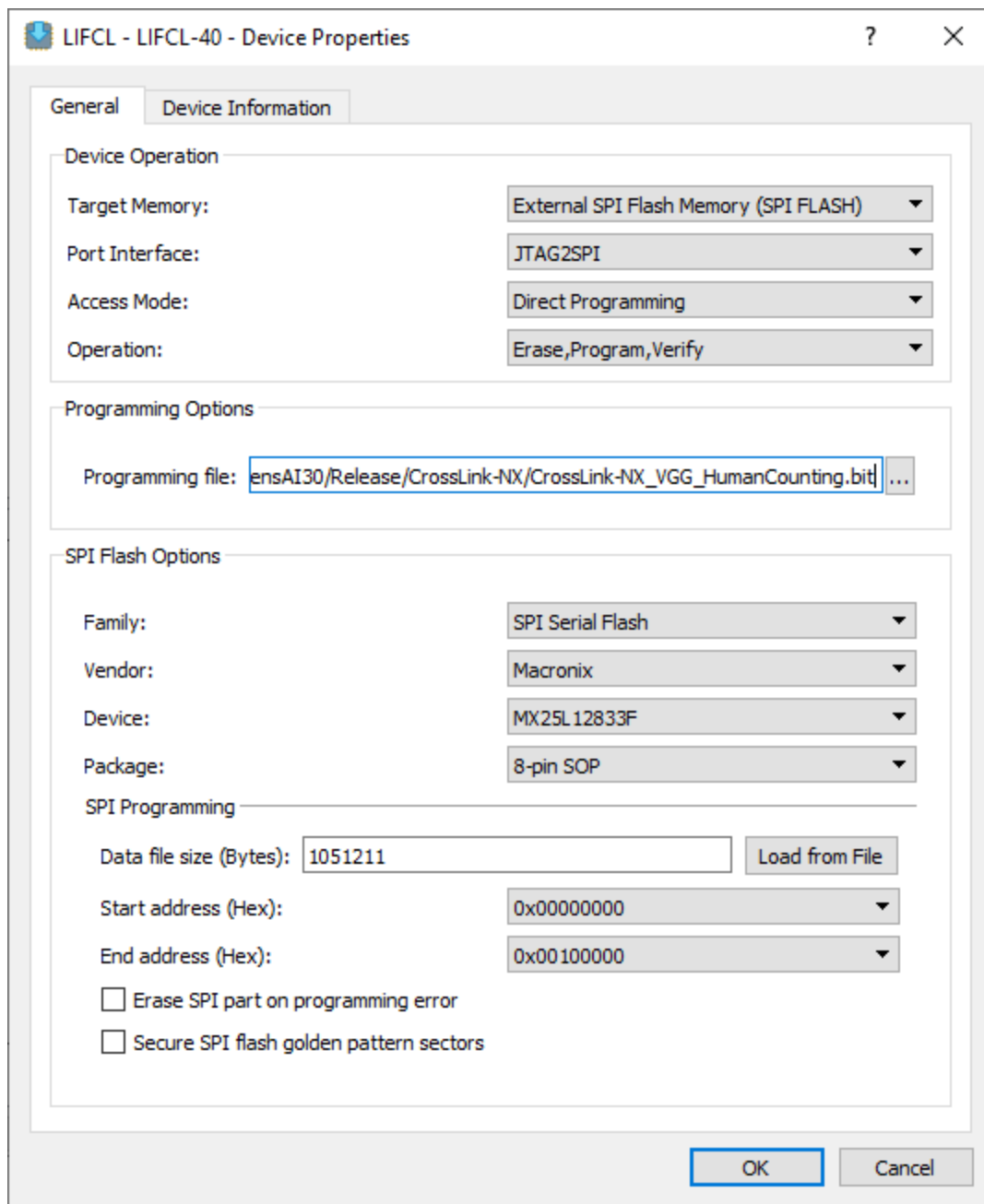
Figure 9.3. Radiant Programmer – Device Operation

6. Click **OK** to close the Device Properties dialog box.
7. Click the **Program** button  to start the erase operation.

### 9.1.2. Programming the CrossLink-NX VIP Input Bridge Board

To program the CrossLink-NX VIP Input Bridge Board:

1. Ensure that the CrossLink-NX device SRAM is erased by performing the steps in [Erasing the CrossLink-NX SRAM Prior to Reprogramming](#).
2. In the Radiant Programmer main interface, right-click the CrossLink-NX row and select **Device Properties**.
3. Apply the settings below:
  - a. Under Device Operation, select the options below:
    - **Port Interface – JTAG2SPI**
    - **Access Mode – Direct Programming**
    - **Operation – SPI Flash Erase, Program, Verify**
  - b. Under Programming Options, select the bitstream file `~/Demonstration/Jedi_human_cnt_optimized_150MHz.bit` in Programming file.
  - c. For **SPI Flash Options**, select the **Macronix 25L12833F** device as shown in [Figure 9.4](#).



**Figure 9.4. Radiant Programmer – Selecting Device Properties Options for CrossLink-NX Flashing**

- d. Click **Load from File** to update the Data file size (bytes) value.
- e. Ensure that the following addresses are correct:
  - **Start Address (Hex) – 0x00000000**
  - **End Address (Hex) – 0x00100000**
4. Click **OK**.
5. Press the **SW4** push button switch before clicking the **Program** button as shown in Figure 9.5. Hold it until you see the *Successful* message in the Radiant log window.

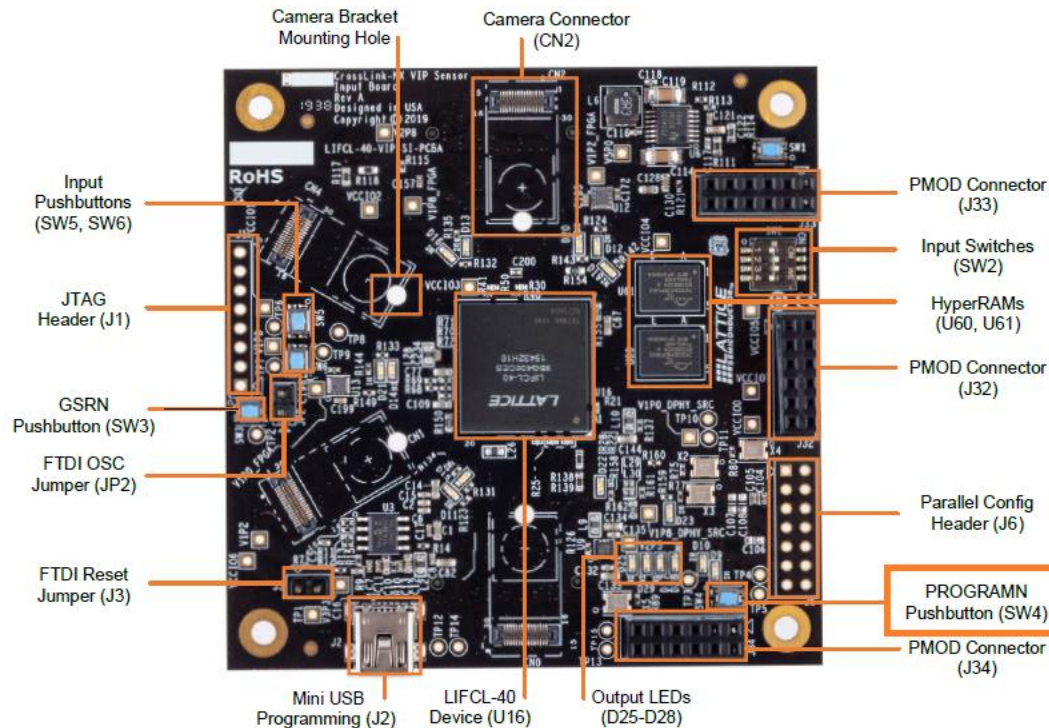


Figure 9.5. CrossLink-NX Flashing Switch – SW4 Push Button

- Click the **Program** button  to start the programming operation.
- After successful programming, the **Output** console displays the result as shown in Figure 9.6.



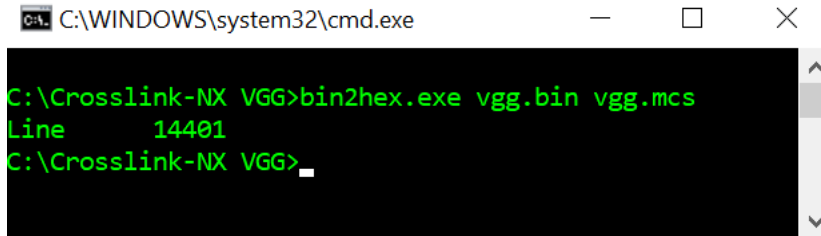
Figure 9.6. Radiant Programmer – Output Console

### 9.1.3. Programming SensAI Firmware Binary to the CrossLink-NX SPI Flash

#### 9.1.3.1. Convert SensAI Firmware Binary to Hex

To program the CrossLink-NX SPI flash:

1. Use the `bin2hex.exe` to convert the SensAI firmware binary file to hex format using command shown in [Figure 9.7](#).
2. Make sure you do not have the target `.mcs` file present in the directory. If the target `.mcs` file is already present at the specified path, utility does not perform anything.



```

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

C:\Crosslink-NX VGG>bin2hex.exe vgg.bin vgg.mcs
Line 14401
C:\Crosslink-NX VGG>

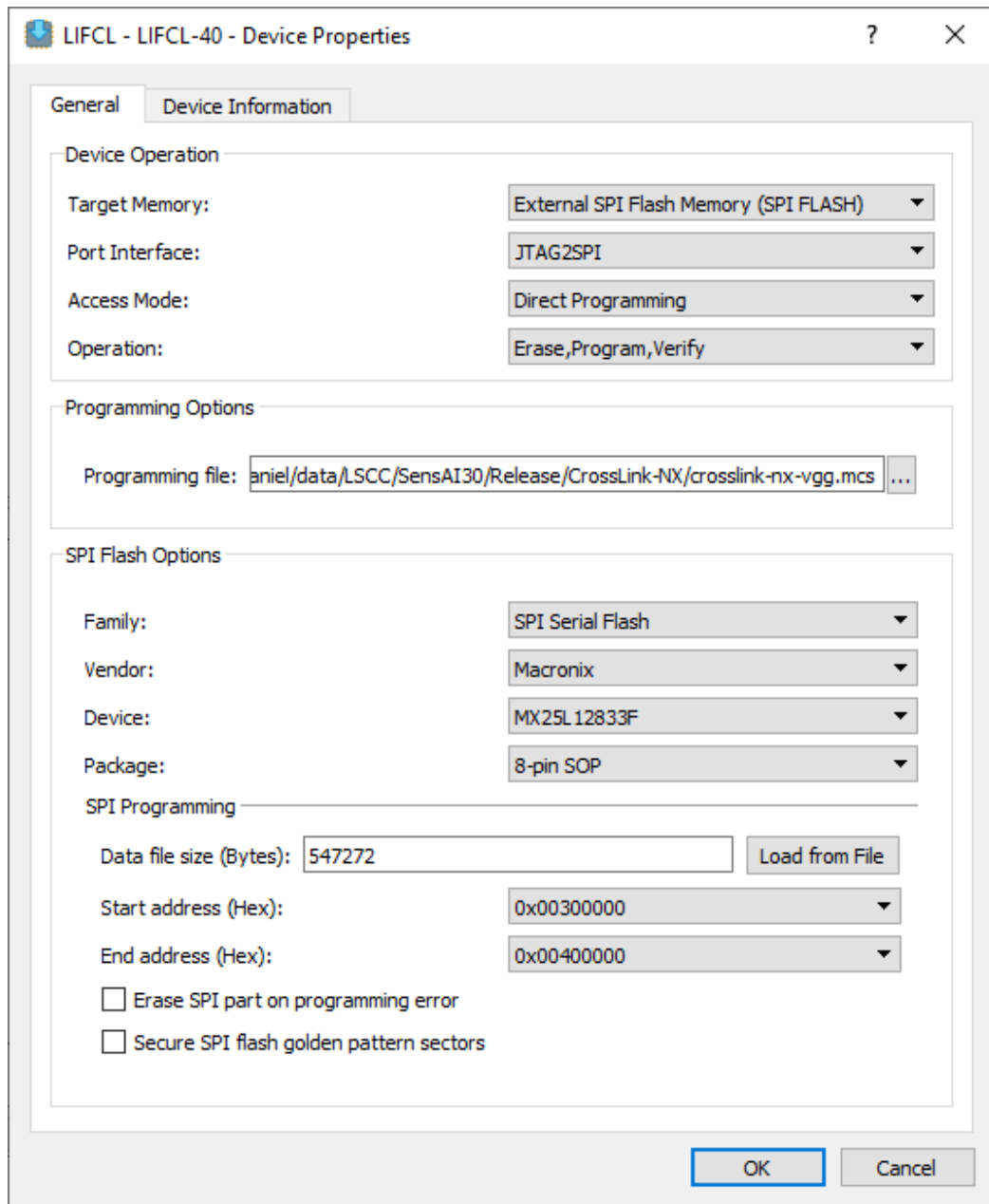
```

Figure 9.7. SensAI Bin to Hex – Convert SensAI Binary to Hex Format

#### 9.1.3.2. Convert Flash SensAI Firmware Hex to Crosslink-NX SPI Flash

To program the CrossLink-NX SPI flash:

1. For Programming File, select the CrossLink-NX SensAI firmware binary file after converting it to hex (\*.mcs).
2. For SPI Flash Options, follow the configurations in [Figure 9.8](#).



**Figure 9.8. Radiant Programmer – Selecting Device Properties Options for CrossLink-NX Flashing**

3. Click **Load from File** to update the data file size (bytes) value.
4. Ensure that the following addresses are correct:
  - **Start Address (Hex) – 0x00300000**
  - **End Address (Hex) – 0x00400000**
5. Click **OK**.
6. Press the **SW4** push button switch. Click the **PROGRAMN** push button as shown in Figure 9.9. Hold it until you see the *Successful* message in the Radiant log window.

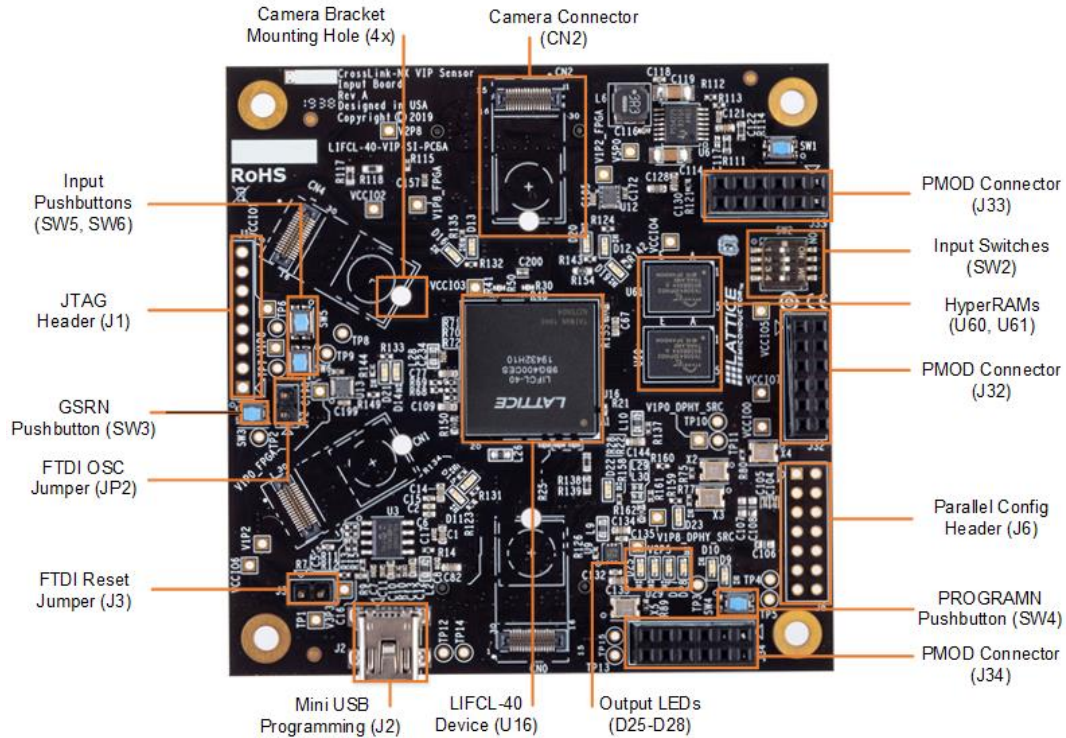


Figure 9.9. CrossLink-NX Flashing Switch – SW4 Push Button

7. Click the **Program** button  to start the programming operation.
8. After successful programming, the **Output** console displays the result as shown in Figure 9.10.



Figure 9.10. Radiant Programmer – Output Console

## 9.2. Programming ECP5 VIP Board

Both the CrossLink-NX VIP Input Bridge Board and the ECP5 VIP Processor Board must be configured and programmed. Also, the demo design firmware must be programmed onto the MicroSD Card, which is plugged into the MicroSD Card Adaptor Board.

### 9.2.1. Erasing the ECP5 Prior to Reprogramming

If the ECP5 device is already programmed (either directly or loaded from SPI Flash), erase the ECP5 SRAM before reprogramming the ECP5 SPI Flash. Keep the board powered on to prevent reloading on reboot.

To erase the ECP5 SRAM:

1. Start Diamond Programmer. In the **Getting Started** dialog box, select **Create a new blank project**.

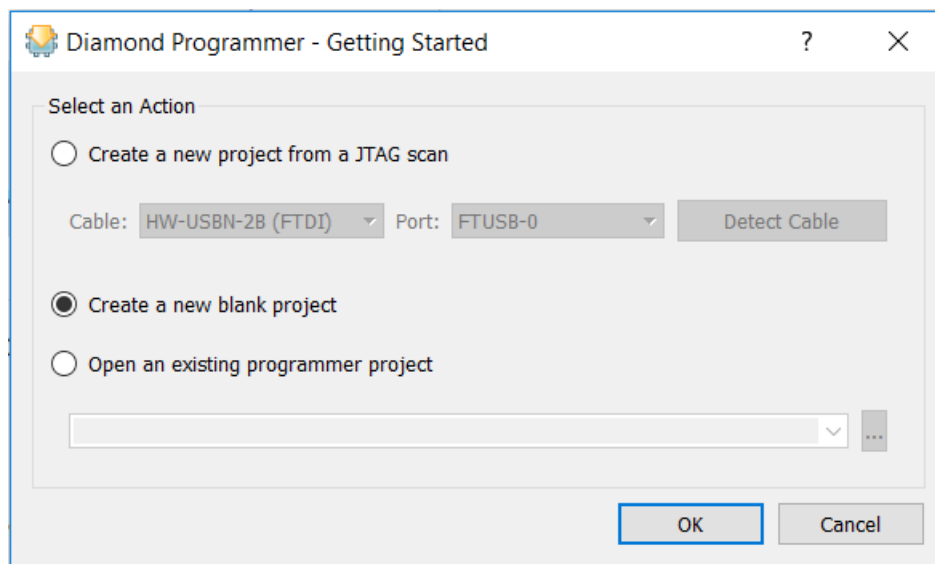


Figure 9.11. Diamond Programmer – Default Screen

2. Click **OK**.
3. In the Diamond Programmer main interface, select **ECP5UM** in Device Family and **LFE5UM-85F** in **Device** as shown in Figure 9.13.



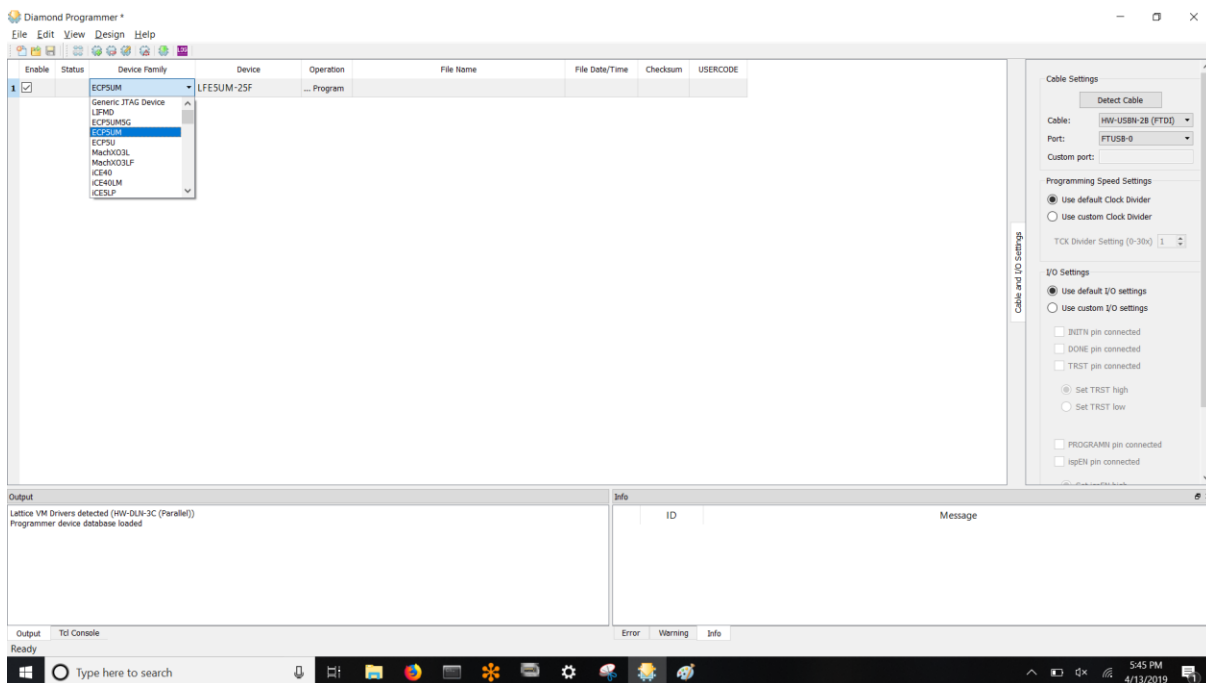


Figure 9.12. Diamond Programmer – Device Family Selection

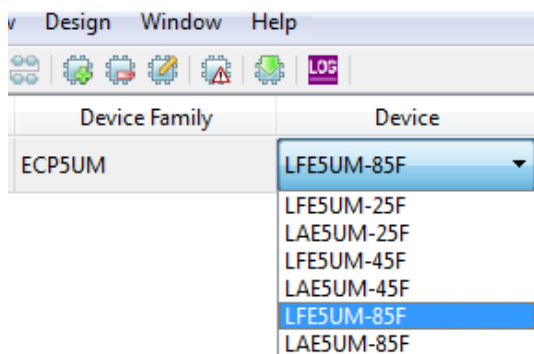
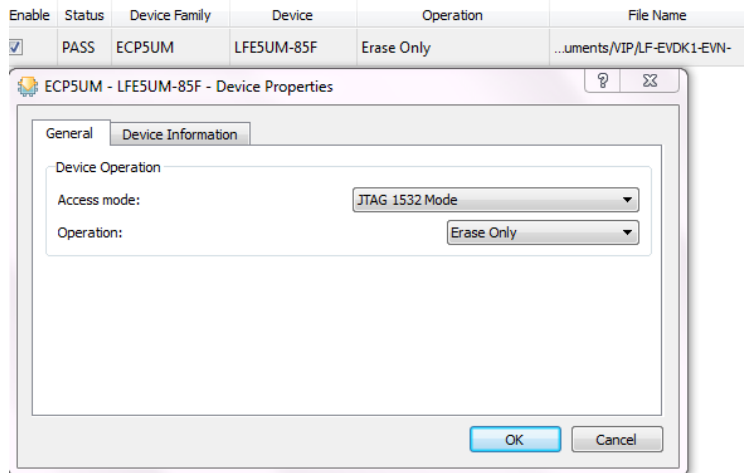


Figure 9.13. Diamond Programmer – Device Selection

4. Click the ECP5 row and select **Edit > Device Properties**.
5. In the **Device Properties** dialog box, select **JTAG 1532 Mode** in **Access mode** and **Erase Only** in **Operation** (shown in [Figure 9.14](#)).



**Figure 9.14. Diamond Programmer – Device Operation**

- Click **OK** to close the **Device Properties** dialog box.
- Click the **Program** button  to start the Erase operation.

**Note:** If you power OFF/ON the board, the SPI Flash reprograms the ECP5 device. In this case, you must repeat steps 1 to 7.

### 9.2.2. Programming the ECP5 VIP Processor Board

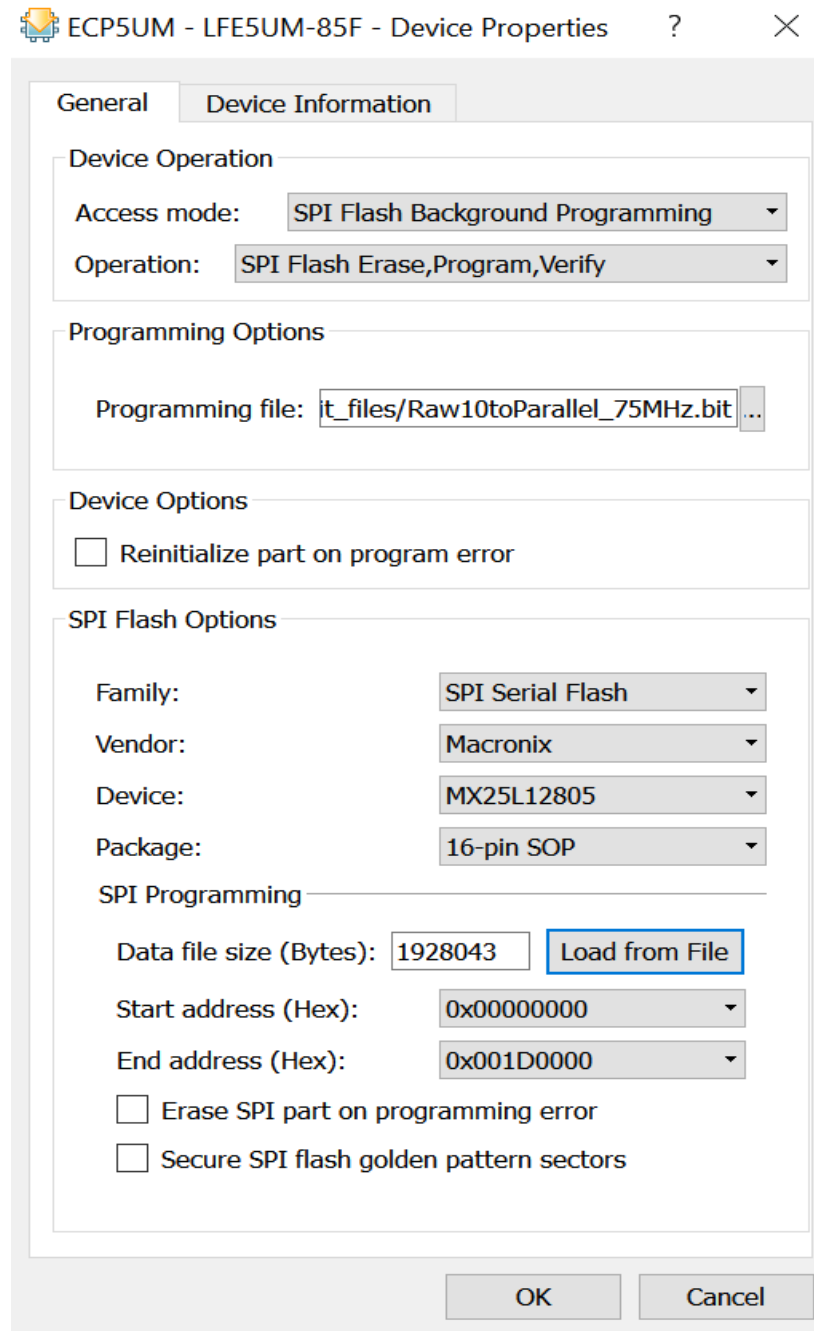
To program the ECP5 VIP Processor Board:

1. Ensure that the ECP5 device is erased by performing the steps in [Erasing the ECP5 Prior to Reprogramming](#).
2. Right-click and select **Edit > Device Properties**.
3. Apply the following settings:
  - a. Under **Device Operation**, select the options below:
    - **Access Mode – SPI Flash Background Programming**
    - **Operation – Erase, Program, Verify**
  - b. Under **Programming Options**, select the *Raw10toParallel\_75MHZ.bit* in **Programming file**.
  - c. For **SPI Flash Options**, refer to [Table 9.1](#):

**Table 9.1. Diamond Programmer – SPI Flash Options**

| Item           | Rev B            | Rev C - Option 1 |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Family</b>  | SPI Serial Flash | SPI Serial Flash |
| <b>Vendor</b>  | Micron           | Macronix         |
| <b>Device</b>  | SPI-N25Q128A     | MX25L12835F      |
| <b>Package</b> | 8-pin SO8        | 8-Land WSON      |

- d. Click **Load from File** to update the Data file size (bytes) value.
- e. Ensure that the following addresses are correct:
  - **Start Address (Hex) – 0x00000000**
  - **End Address (Hex) – 0x001D0000**



**Figure 9.15. Diamond Programmer – Selecting Device Properties Options for ECP5 Flashing**

4. Click **OK**.
5. Click the **Program** button  to start the programming operation.
6. After successful programming, the **Output** console displays the result as shown in [Figure 9.16](#).



**Figure 9.16. Diamond Programmer – Output Console**

## 10. Running the Demo

To run the demo:

1. Cycle the power on the Embedded Vision Development Kit to allow the ECP5 and CrossLink-NX devices to be reconfigured from Flash.
2. Connect the Embedded Vision Development Kit to the HDMI monitor. The camera image is displayed on monitors as shown in [Figure 10.1](#).



**Figure 10.1. Running the Demo**

3. The demo output contains bounding boxes for detected humans in a given frame. It also displays the total number of detected humans in a given frame on HDMI output.

## Appendix A. Other Labelling Tools

Table A.1 provides information on other labelling tools.

**Table A.1. Other Labelling Tools**

| Software          | Platform                              | License                                                                   | Reference                                                                                                                                                                                 | Converts To          | Notes                                                                         |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| annotate-to-KITTI | Ubuntu/Windows (Python based utility) | No License (Open source GitHub project)                                   | <a href="https://github.com/SaiPrajwal95/annotate-to-KITTI">https://github.com/SaiPrajwal95/annotate-to-KITTI</a>                                                                         | KITTI                | Python based CLI utility that you can clone and launch.                       |
| LabelBox          | JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Python         | Cloud or On-premise, some interfaces are Apache-2.0                       | <a href="https://www.labelbox.com/">https://www.labelbox.com/</a>                                                                                                                         | json, csv, coco, voc | Web application                                                               |
| LabelMe           | Perl, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, On Web   | MIT License                                                               | <a href="http://labelme.csail.mit.edu/Release3.0/">http://labelme.csail.mit.edu/Release3.0/</a>                                                                                           | xml                  | Converts only jpeg images                                                     |
| Dataturks         | On web                                | Apache License 2.0                                                        | <a href="https://dataturks.com/">https://dataturks.com/</a>                                                                                                                               | json                 | Converts to json format but creates single json file for all annotated images |
| LabelImg          | ubuntu                                | OSI Approved:: MIT License                                                | <a href="https://mlnotesblog.wordpress.com/2017/12/16/how-to-install-labelimg-in-ubuntu-16-04/">https://mlnotesblog.wordpress.com/2017/12/16/how-to-install-labelimg-in-ubuntu-16-04/</a> | xml                  | Need to install dependencies given in reference                               |
| Dataset_annotator | Ubuntu                                | 2018 George Mason University Permission is hereby granted, Free of charge | <a href="https://github.com/omenyayl/dataset-annotator">https://github.com/omenyayl/dataset-annotator</a>                                                                                 | json                 | Need to install app_image and run it by changing permissions                  |

## References

- [Google TensorFlow Object Detection GitHub](#)
- [Pretrained TensorFlow Model for Object Detection](#)
- [Python Sample Code for Custom Object Detection](#)
- [Train Model Using TensorFlow](#)



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