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Preface

About this document

This demo is for SmartFusion®2 system-on-chip (SoC) field programmable gate array (FPGA) devices. It provides instructions on how to use the corresponding reference design.

Intended Audience

SmartFusion2 devices are used by:

- FPGA designers
- System-level designers

References

Microsemi Publications

The following references are used in this document:

- SmartFusion2 Microcontroller Subsystem User Guide
- SmartFusion2 and IGLOO2 High Speed Serial Interfaces User Guide

Refer to the following web page for a complete and up-to-date listing of SmartFusion2 device documentation: http://www.microsemi.com/products/fpga-soc/soc-fpga/smartfusion2

SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA PCIe Control Plane Demo For Advanced Development Kit

Introduction

The SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA devices integrate a fourth generation flash-based FPGA fabric and an ARM® Cortex®-M3 processor, along with high performance communication interfaces on a single chip. The SmartFusion2 high speed serial interface (SERDESIF) provides a fully hardened PCIe endpoint (EP) implementation and is compliant with PCIe Base Specification Revision 2.0 and 1.1. For more details, refer to the *SmartFusion2 and IGLOO2 High Speed Serial Interfaces User Guide*.

The demo explains the SmartFusion2 embedded PCI Express feature and how this can be used as a low bandwidth control plane interface using the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.

The demo provides a simple design to access the SmartFusion2 PCIe EP from a Host PC. A GUI is provided for read and write access to the SmartFusion2 PCIe configuration space and memory space of BAR0 and BAR1. It also provides the Host PC device drivers for the SmartFusion2 PCIe EP. It can run on both Windows and Red Hat Linux operating system (OS).

Figure 1 shows the top-level block diagram for the PCIe control plane demo. The demo design uses a SmartFusion2 PCIe interface with a maximum link width of x4 to interface with a Host PC PCIe Gen 2 slot. If the Host PC does not support Gen 2 slot, the design automatically changes to Gen 1 slot. The SmartFusion2 microcontroller subsystem (MSS) GPIOs control the LEDs and switches on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board using the PCIe interface. The Host PC can also read memory and writes to the SmartFusion2 eSRAM through GUI. The Host PC can also be interrupted by using the push button on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.

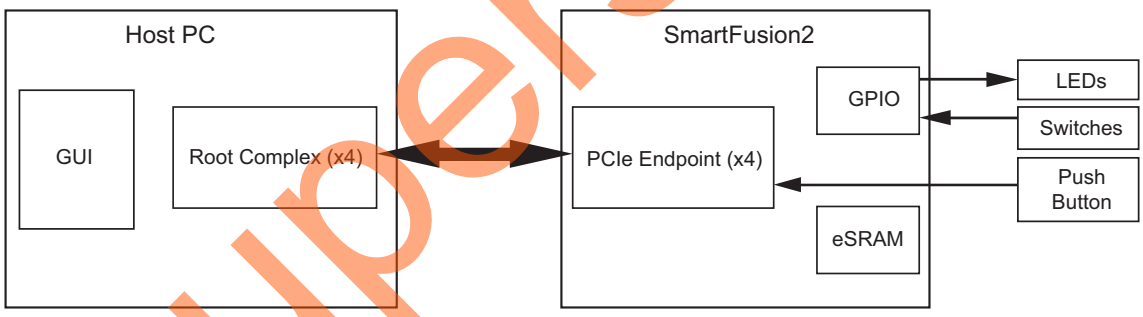

Figure 1 • **PCIe Control Plane Demo Top-Level Block Diagram**

Design Requirements

Table 1 lists the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board design requirements details.

Table 1 • **SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board Design Requirements**

Design Requirements	Version
Hardware	
SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board • 12 V adapter • FlashPro5 • USB A to Mini-B cable	Rev A or later
Host PC with an available PCIe 2.0 Gen 1 or Gen 2 compliant slot	64-bit Windows 7 OS or 64-bit Red Hat Linux OS (Kernel Version: 2.6.18-308)
Software	
Libero® System-on-Chip (SoC) for viewing the design files • FlashPro Programming Software	v11.5
Host PC Drivers (provided along with the design files)	-
GUI executable (provided along with the design files)	-

Demo Design

Introduction

The design files for this demo can be downloaded from the Microsemi® website:
http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=m2s_dg0566_libero11p5_df

Design files include:

- LiberoProject
- ProgrammingFile
- Linux_64bit
- Windows_64bit
- Source Files
- Readme.txt

Figure 2 shows the top-level structure of the design files. For further details, refer to the readme.txt file.

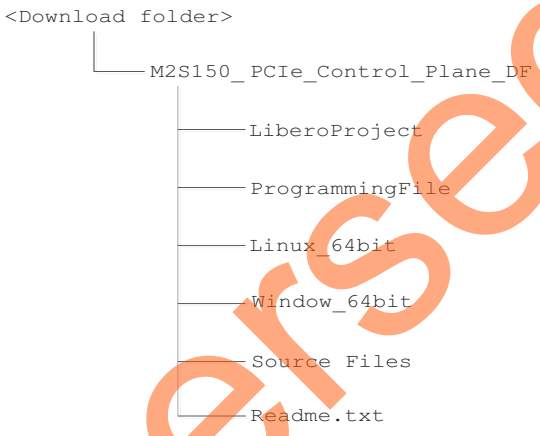

***Figure 2* • Demo Design Files Top-Level Structure**

Demo Design Features

The demo design performs the following tasks:

- Displays PCIe link enable/disable, negotiated link width, and the link speed.
- Controls the status of LEDs on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board
- Displays the position of DIP switches on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board
- Enables read and write to LSRAM
- Accepts and displays interrupts from the push button on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board
- Displays the SmartFusion2 PCIe Configuration space

Demo Design Description

The demo design helps to access the SmartFusion2 PCIe EP from the Host PC. Figure 3 shows a detailed block diagram of the design implementation.

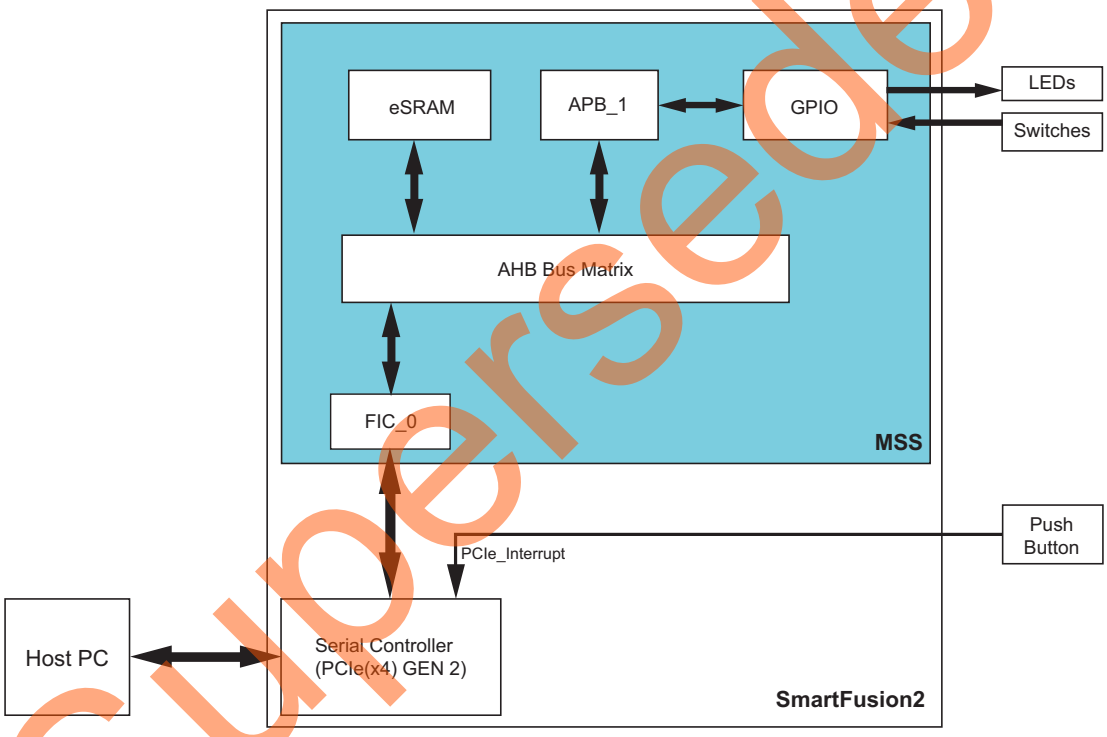

***Figure 3* • PCIe Control Plane Demo Block Diagram**

This demo design implements the SmartFusion2 embedded PCI Express interface as a low bandwidth control plane interface. This design provides Host PC drivers and a Host PC interface over PCIe to control the SmartFusion2 device. Figure 3 shows a detailed block diagram of the design implementation. The PCIe EP device receives commands from the Host PC through GUI and does corresponding memory writes to the SmartFusion2 MSS address space. The MSS address space provides a GPIO block and eSRAM memory block, which is accessed through a fabric interface controller (FIC_0).

The SERDES_IF_0 is configured for a PCIe 2.0, x4 link width with GEN2 speed for SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board. The PCIe interface to the fabric uses an AMBA High-speed Bus (AHB). The AHB master interface of SERDESIF is enabled and connected to the AHB slave interface of FIC_0 to access the MSS peripherals. The SmartFusion2 PCIe BAR0 and BAR1 are configured in 32-bit memory mapped memory mode.

The AXI master windows of the SERDESIF PCIe provide address translation for accessing one address space from another address space as the PCIe address is different from SmartFusion2 AHB bus matrix address space. The AXI master window 0 is enabled and configured to translate the BAR0 memory address space to the MSS GPIO address space to control the MSS GPIOs. The AXI master window 1 is enabled and configured to translate the BAR1 memory address space to the eSRAM address space to perform read and writes from PCIe.

MSS GPIO block is enabled and configured as below:

- GPIO_0 to GPIO_7 as outputs and connected to LEDs
- GPIO_8 to GPIO_11 as inputs and connected to DIP switches

The PCIe interrupt line is connected to the SW1 push button on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit. The FPGA clocks are configured to run the FPGA fabric and MSS at 100 MHz.

Simulating the Design

The design supports the BFM_PCIe simulation level to communicate with the High Speed Serial Interface block through the master AXI bus interface. Though, the serial communication does not actually go through the High Speed Serial Interface block, this scenario allows validating the fabric interface connections. The *SERDESIF_0_user.bfm* file under the *<LiberoProject>/simulation* folder contains the BFM commands to verify the read or write access to MSS GPIOs and eSRAM.

BFM commands added in the `SERDESIF_0_user.bfm` file do the following:

- Write to GPIO_OUT[7:0]
- Write to LSRAM
- Read-check from LSRAM

To run the simulation, double-click **Simulate** under **Verify Pre-Synthesized Design** in the **Design Flow** window of the Libero project. ModelSim runs the design for about 250 us. The ModelSim **Transcript** window displays the BFM commands and the BFM simulation completed with no errors, as shown in Figure 4.

***Figure 4* • SERDES BFM Simulation**

Figure 5 shows the **Wave** window with GPIO_OUT signals.

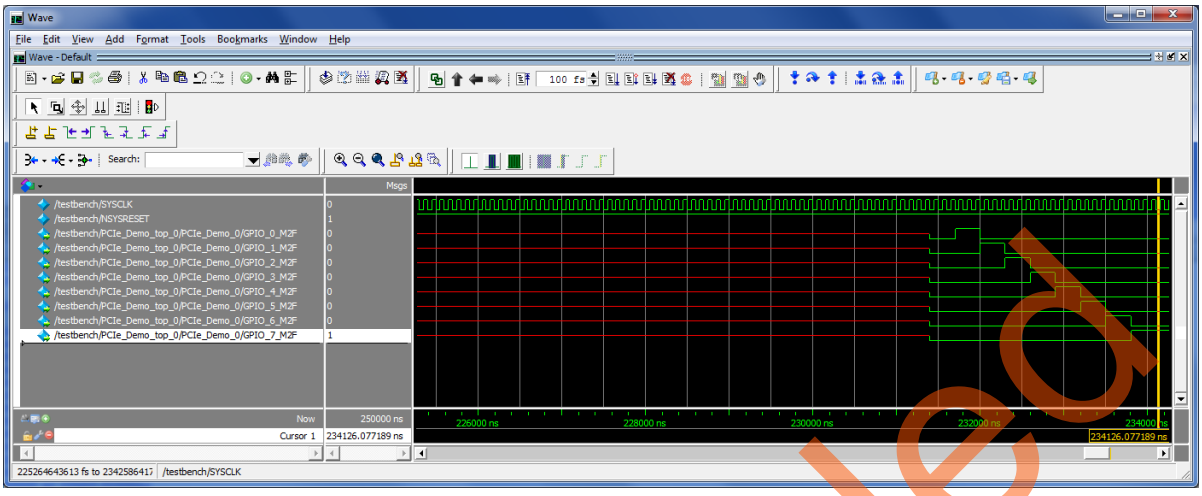

***Figure 5* • Simulation Result with GPIO_OUT Signals**

Setting up the Demo Design

The following steps describe how to setup the demo for SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board:

1. Connect the Host PC to the J33 Connector using the USB A to mini-B cable. The USB to UART bridge drivers are automatically detected. Verify, if the detection is made in the device manager as shown in Figure 6.

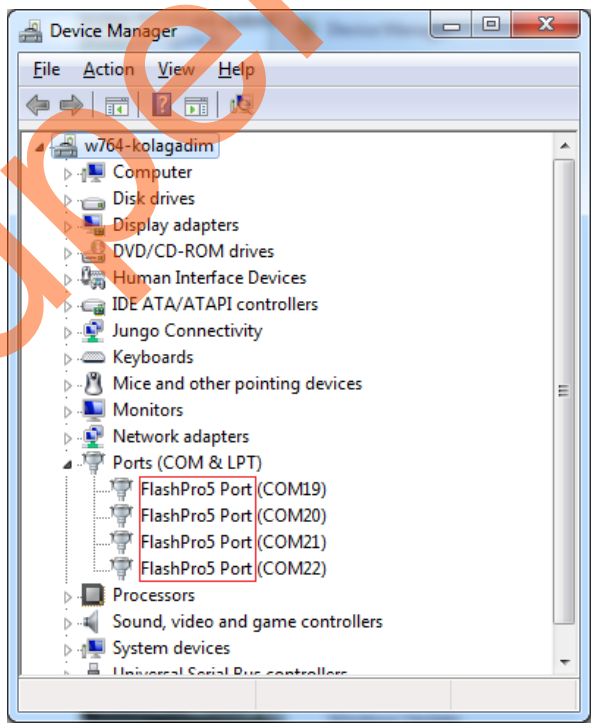

***Figure 6* • Device Manager**

2. Connect the jumpers on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board as shown in Table 2.

   CAUTION: While making the jumper connections, the power supply switch **SW7** on the board should be in OFF position.

Table 2 • **SmartFusion2 FPGA Advanced Kit Jumper Settings**

Jumper	Pin (from)	Pin (to)	Comments
J116, J353, J354, J54	1	2	These are the default jumper settings of the Advanced Dev Kit Board. Make sure these jumpers are set accordingly.
J123	2	3	
J124, J121, J32	1	2	JTAG programming via FTDI

3. Connect the power supply to the J42 Connector on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.

Board Setup

Snapshots of the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board with the complete set up is given in the "Appendix 1: SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board" on page 39.

Programming the Board

The following steps describe how to program the board.

1. Download the demo design from: http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=m2s_dg0566_libero11p5_df
2. Switch **ON** the **SW7** power supply switch.
3. Launch the **FlashPro** software.
4. Click **New Project**.

5. In the **New Project** window, enter the **Project Name** as PCIe_Control_Plane.

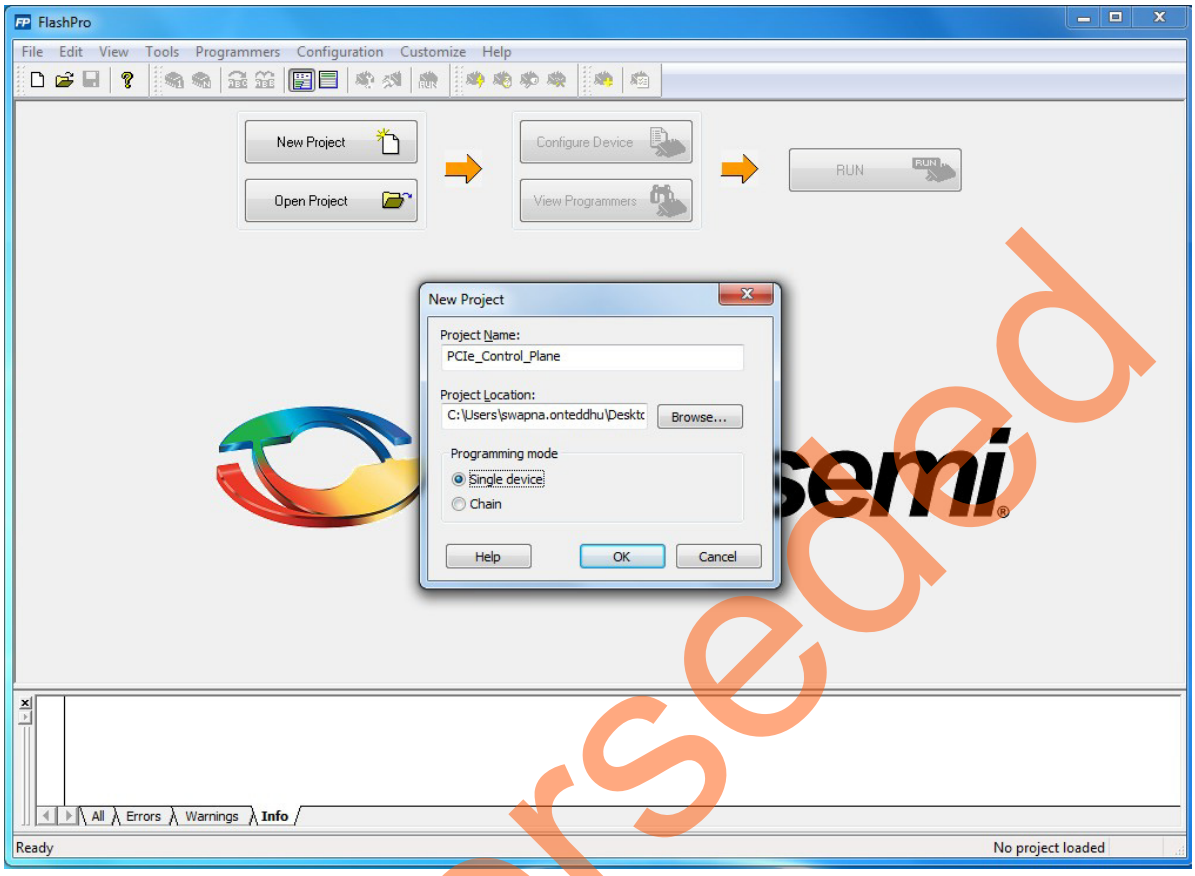

Figure 7 • **FlashPro New Project**

6. Click **Browse** and navigate to the location where you want to save the project.
7. Click **Single device** as the **Programming mode**.

8. Click **OK** to save the project.

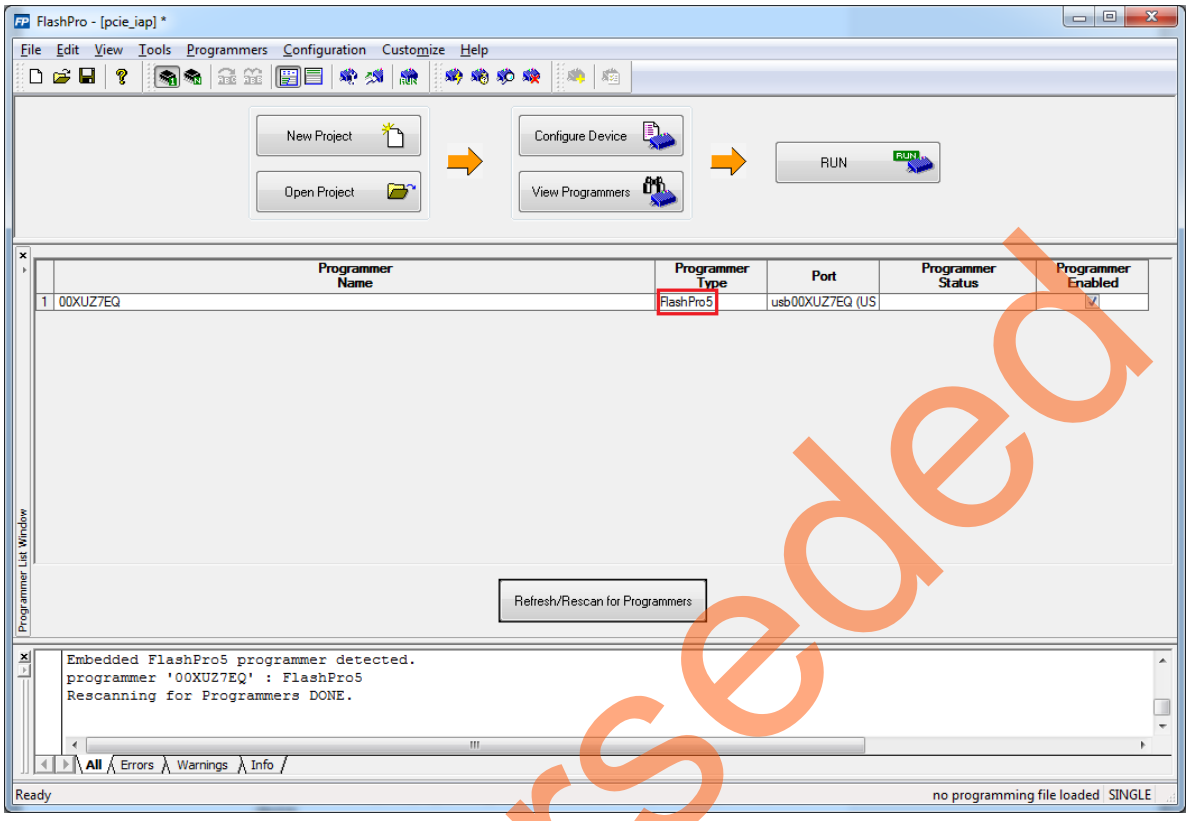

***Figure 8* • FlashPro5 Programmer Type**

9. Click **Configure Device** on the FlashPro GUI.
10. Click **Browse** and navigate to the location where the `PCIe_Demo_top.stp` file is located and select the file. The location for SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board is: *<download_folder>\M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF\programmingFile\SF2_Advanced_Dev_Kit*.

11. Click **Open**. The required programming file is selected and is ready to be programmed in the device.

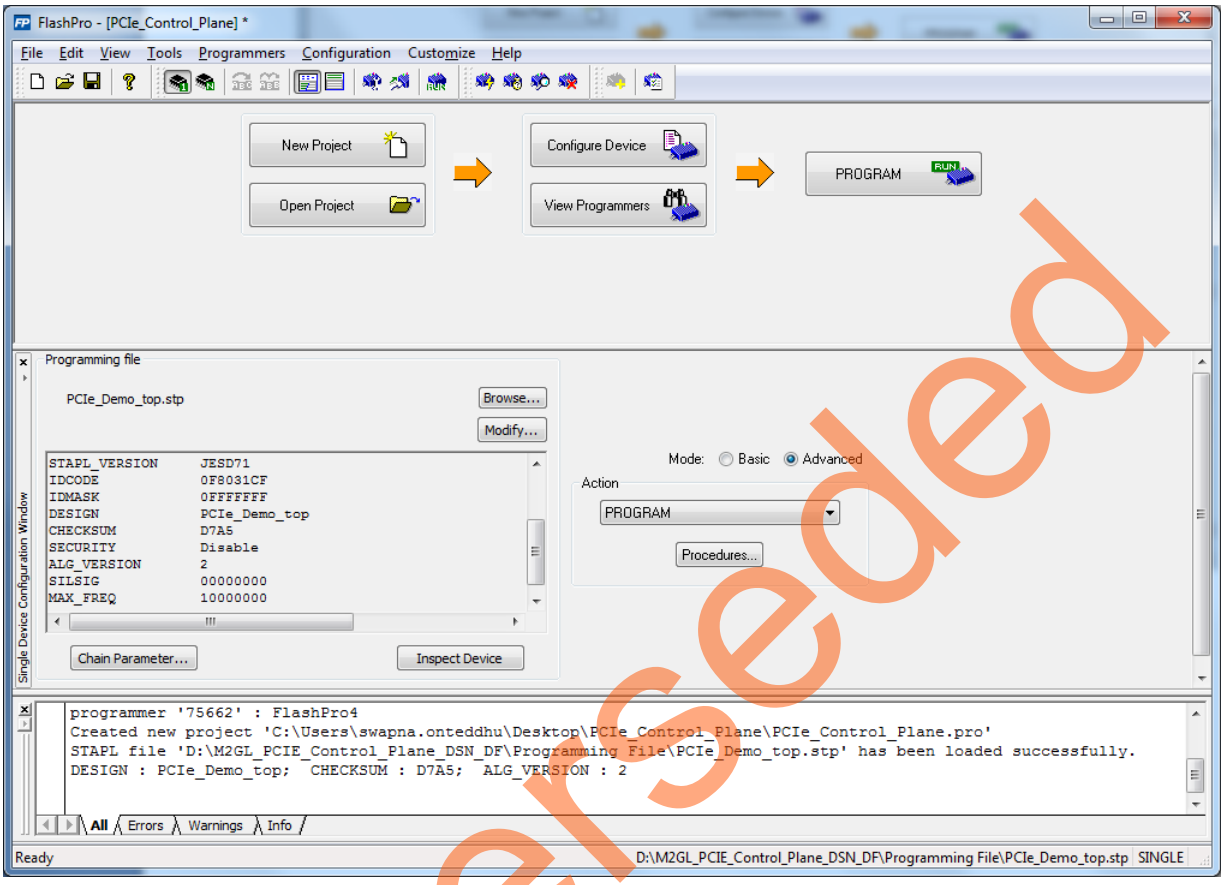

***Figure 9* • FlashPro Project Configured**

12. Click **PROGRAM** to start programming the device. Wait until a message is displayed indicating that the **PROGRAM PASSED**.

Connecting the Board to the Host PC

The following steps describe how to connect the board to the Host PC.

1. After successful programming, power **OFF** the SmartFusion2 Advanced Kit Board and shut down the Host PC.

   This demo is designed to run in any PCIe Gen 2 compliant slot. If the Host PC does not support Gen 2 compliant slot, the demo switches to Gen 1 slot.

2. Connect the **CON1 - PCIe Edge Card Ribbon** cable to **Host PC PCIe Gen 2** slot or **Gen 1** slot as applicable.

   CAUTION: Host PC must be powered OFF while inserting the PCIe Edge connector. If it is not, the PCIe device detection and selection of Gen 1 or Gen 2 slot may not occur properly. This is very dependent on the Host PC PCIe configuration. It is recommended that the Host PC is powered OFF before inserting the PCIe card.

Figure 10 shows the board setup for the Host PC in which SmartFusion2 Advanced Kit Board is connected to the Host PC PCIe slot.

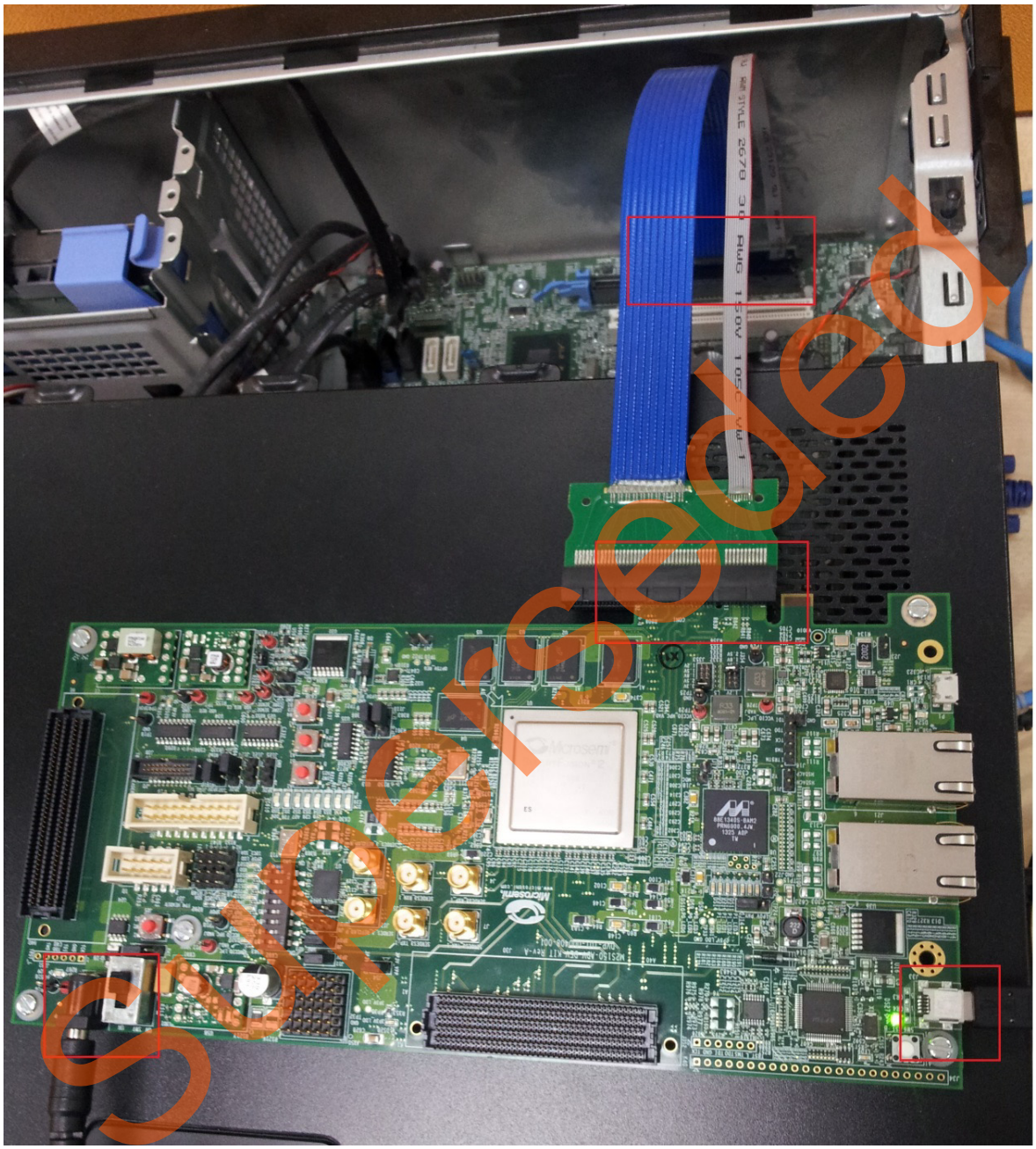

***Figure 10* • SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Setup for Host PC**

Running the Demo Design

This demo can run on both Windows and RedHat Linux OS.

- To run the demo on Windows OS GUI, Jungo drivers are provided. Refer to "Running the Demo Design on Windows" on page 17.
- To run the demo on Linux OS, native RedHat Linux drivers and command line scripts are provided. Refer to "Running the Demo Design on Linux" on page 29

Running the Demo Design on Windows

The following steps describe how to run the demo design on windows,

1. Switch **ON** the power supply switch, **SW7**.
2. Power on the Host PC and open the Host PC Device Manager for PCIe device, as shown in Figure 11. If the PCIe device is not detected, power cycle the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board. Right-click **PCIe Device > Scan for hardware changes** in Device Manager.

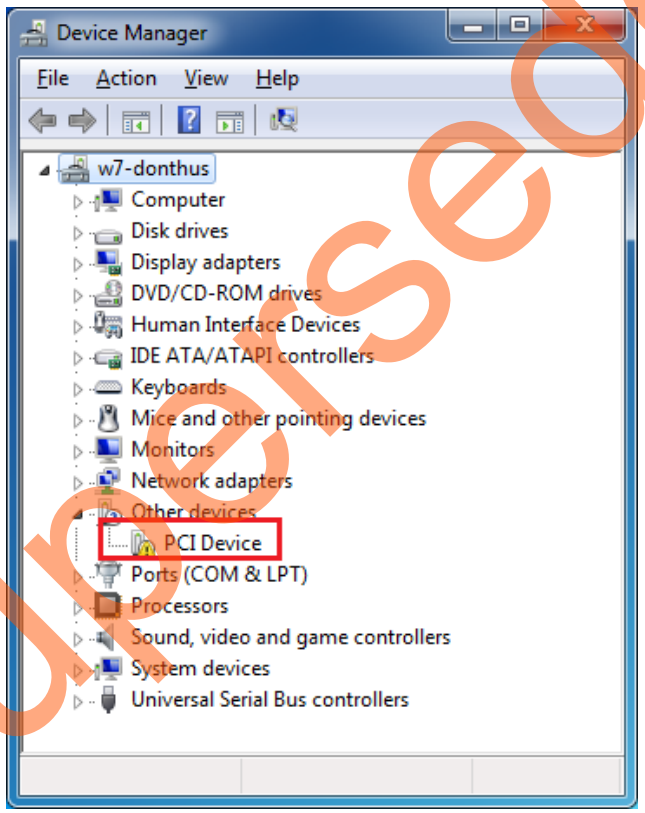

***Figure 11* • Device Manager**

Note: If the device is still not detected, check whether or not the BIOS version in Host PC is the latest, and if PCIe is enabled in the Host PC BIOS.

If the Host PC has any other installed drivers (previous versions of Jungo drivers) for the SmartFusion2 PCIe device, uninstall them.

The following steps describe how to uninstall previous versions of Jungo drivers:

a. Navigate to device manager and right-click **DEVICE** and select **Uninstall** as shown in Figure 12. The **Confirm Device Uninstall** dialog box is displayed.

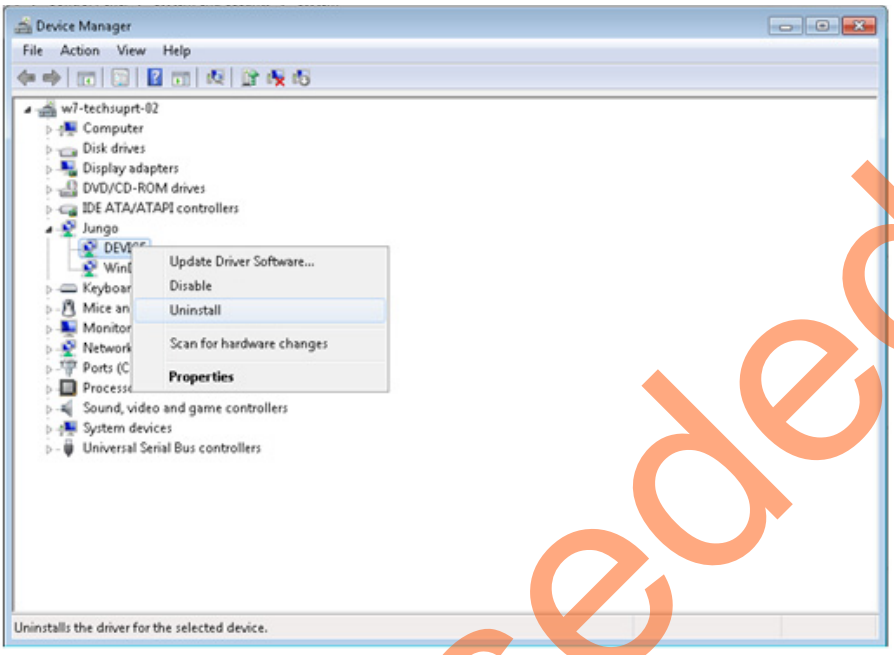

***Figure 12* • Device Uninstall**

b. Select the **Delete the driver software for this device** check box as shown in Figure 13.

c. Click **OK**.

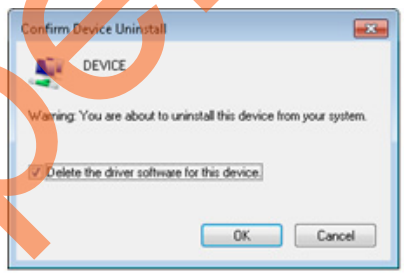

***Figure 13* • Confirm Device Uninstall**

After uninstalling previous Jungo drivers, make sure that the PCIe device is detected in the **Device Manager** window as shown in Figure 11.

Drivers Installation

The PCIe Demo uses a driver framework provided by Jungo WinDriverPro. To install the PCIe drivers on Host PC for SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board, use the following steps:

1. Extract the **PCIe_Demo.rar** to *C:* drive. The *PCIe_Demo.rar* is located in the provided design files:
   – *M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF\Windows_64bit\Drivers\PCIe_Demo.rar*

Note: Installing these drivers requires the Host PC administration rights.

2. Run the batch file **C:\PCIe_Demo\DriverInstall\Jungo_KP_install.bat**.

3. Click **Install**, if the window is displayed as shown in Figure 14.

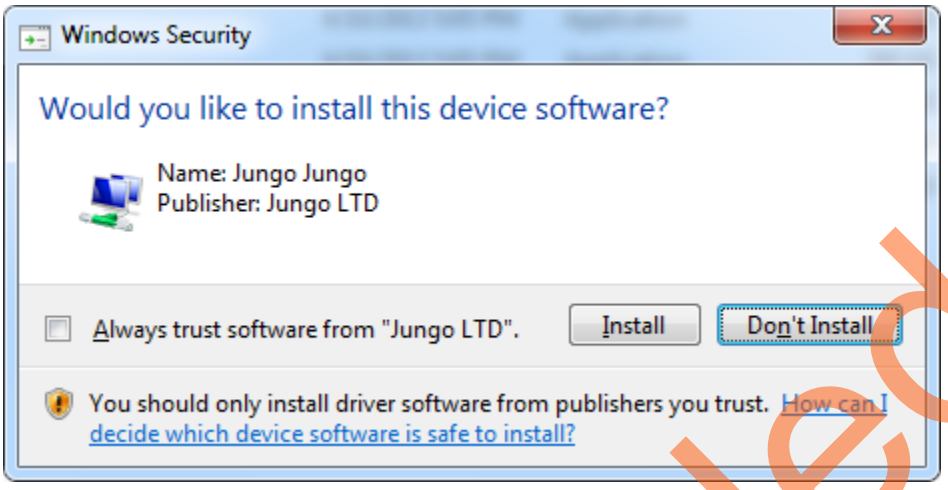

Figure 14 • **Jungo Driver Installation**

Note: If the installation is not in progress, right-click on the command prompt and select Run as administrator. Run the batch file **C:\PCIe_Demo\DriverInstall\Jungo_KP_install.bat** from command prompt.

4. Click **Install this driver software anyway** if the window appears as shown in Figure 15.

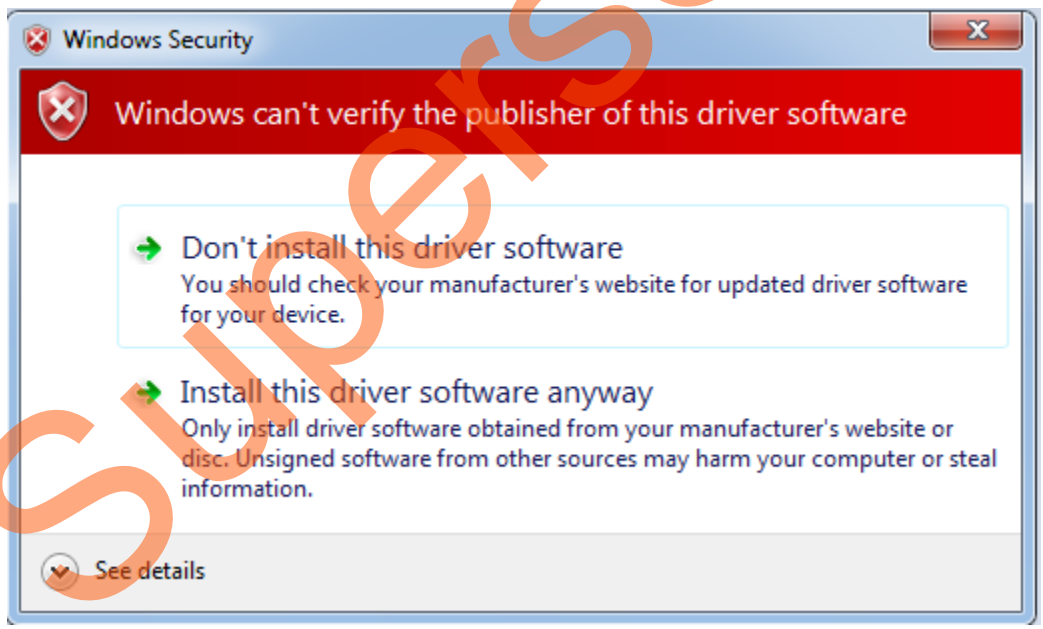

Figure 15 • **Windows Security**

PCIe Demo GUI Installation

The SmartFusion2 PCIe demo GUI is a simple GUI that runs on the Host PC to communicate with the SmartFusion2 PCIe EP device. The GUI provides the PCIe link status, driver information, and demo controls. The GUI invokes the PCIe driver installed on the Host PC and provides commands to the driver according to the user selection.

Use the following steps to install the GUI:

1. Download the PCIe demo GUI installer from http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=PCIe_Demo_GUI_Installer
2. Extract the **PCIe_Demo_GUI_Installer.rar**.
3. Double-click the **setup.exe** in the provided GUI installation (*PCIe_Demo_GUI_Installer\setup.exe*). Apply default options as shown in Figure 16.

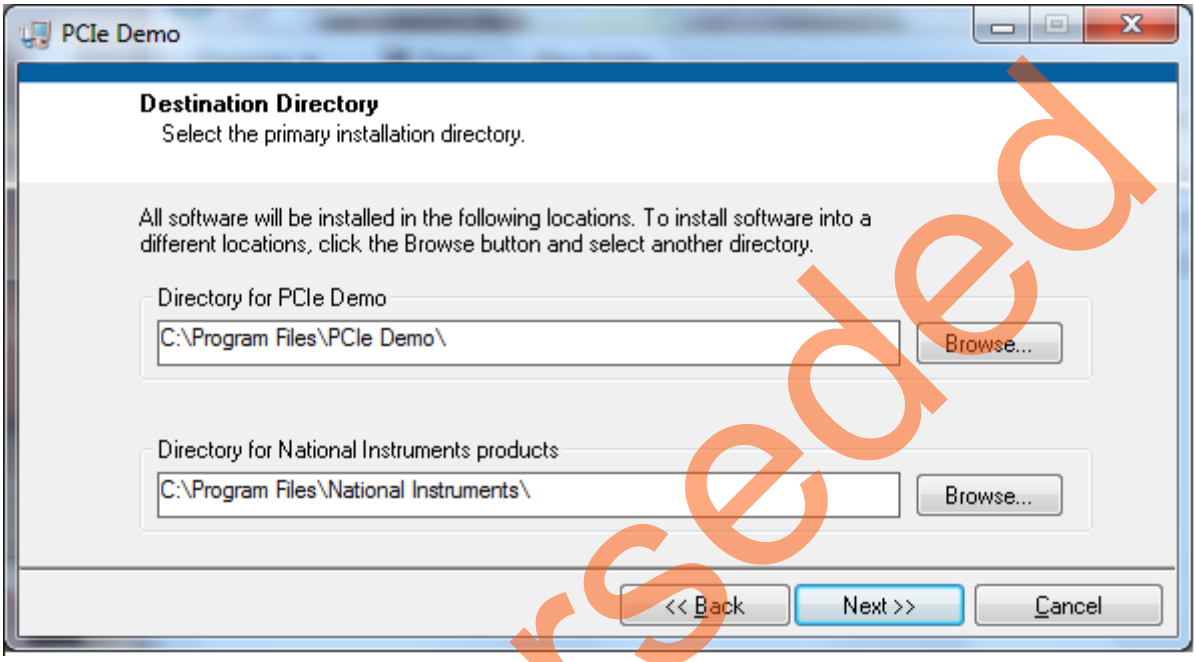

***Figure 16* • GUI Installation**

4. Click **Next** and **Finish** to complete the installation. Figure 17 shows the **Successful GUI Installation** window.

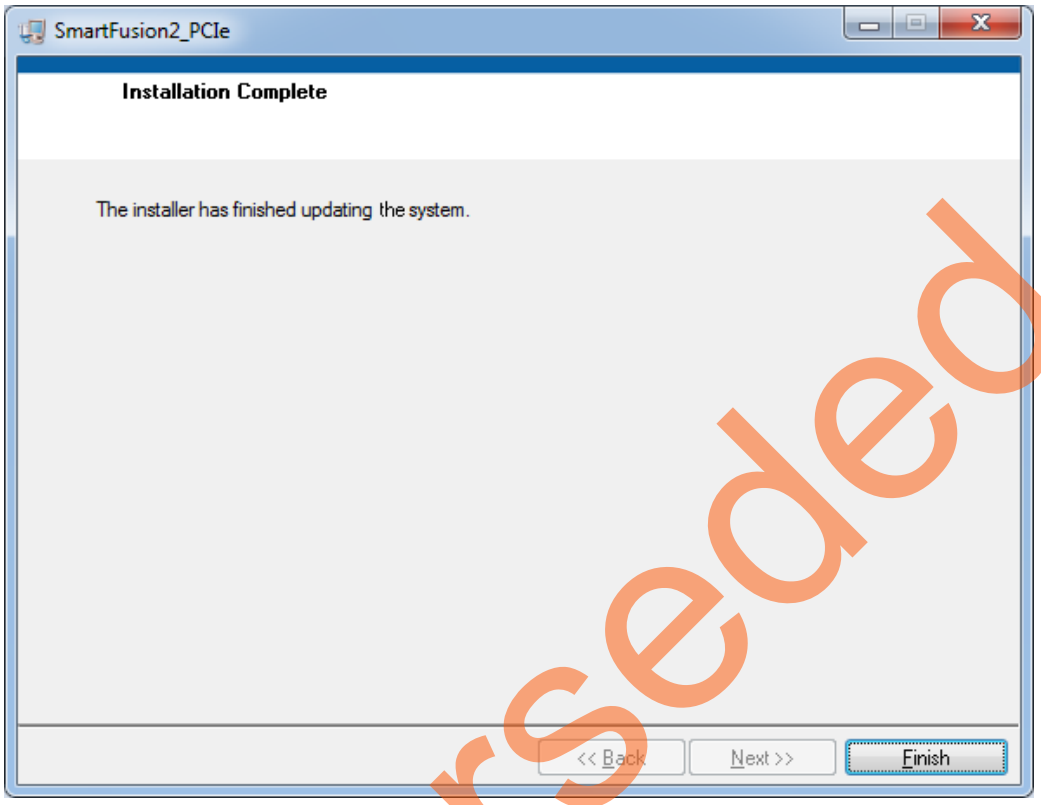

Figure 17 • **Successful GUI Installation**

5. Restart the Host PC.

Running the PCIe GUI

The following steps describe how to run the PCIe GUI.

1. Check the Host PC Device Manager for the drivers. If the device is not detected, power cycle the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.
2. Right-click **DEVICE > Scan for hardware changes** in Device Manager. Ensure that the board is switched ON.

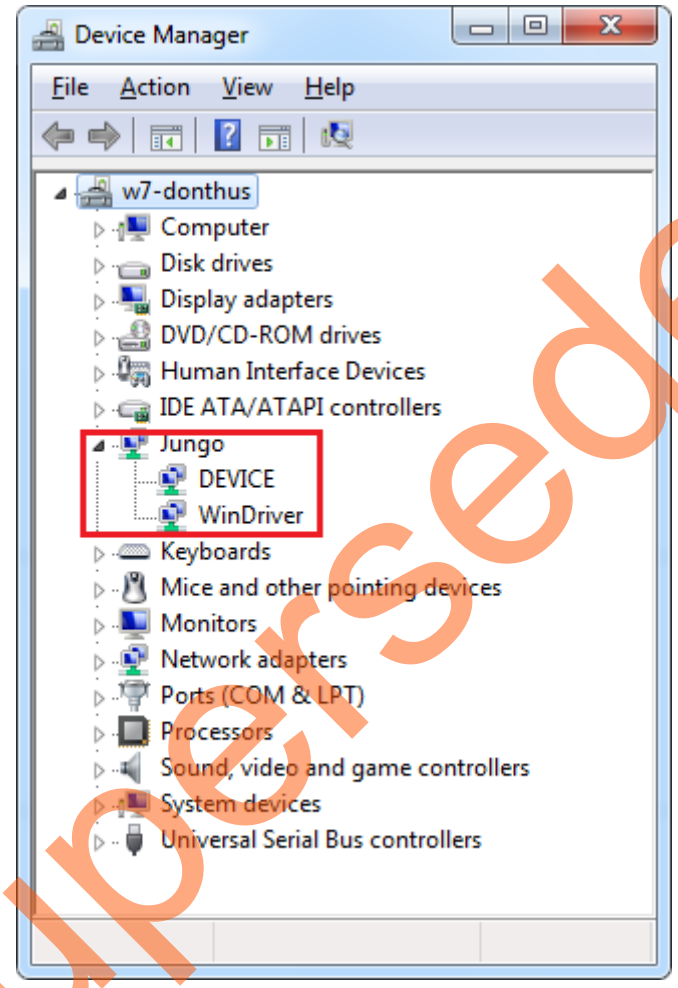

***Figure 18* • Device Manager - PCIe Device Detection**

Note: If a warning symbol is displayed on the **DEVICE** or **WinDriver** icon in the **Device Manager**, uninstall them and start from step1 of "Drivers Installation" on page 29.

3. Invoke the GUI from **ALL Programs > PCIeDemo > PCIe Demo GUI**. Figure 19 shows the **PCIe Demo** GUI window.

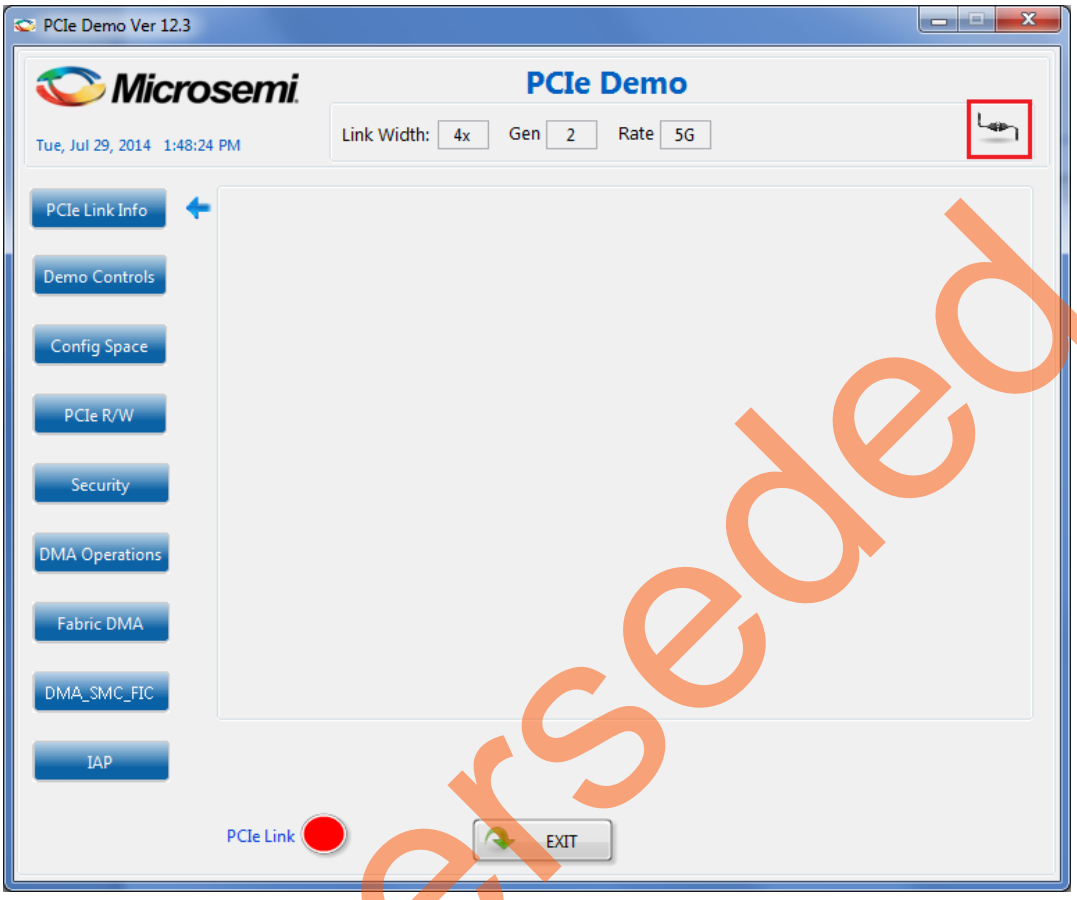

***Figure 19* • PCIe Demo GUI**

4. Click **Connect** icon highlighted in Figure 19. The Link Width, Gen, Rate, and Type of Kit are displayed on the GUI as shown in Figure 20 on page 24.

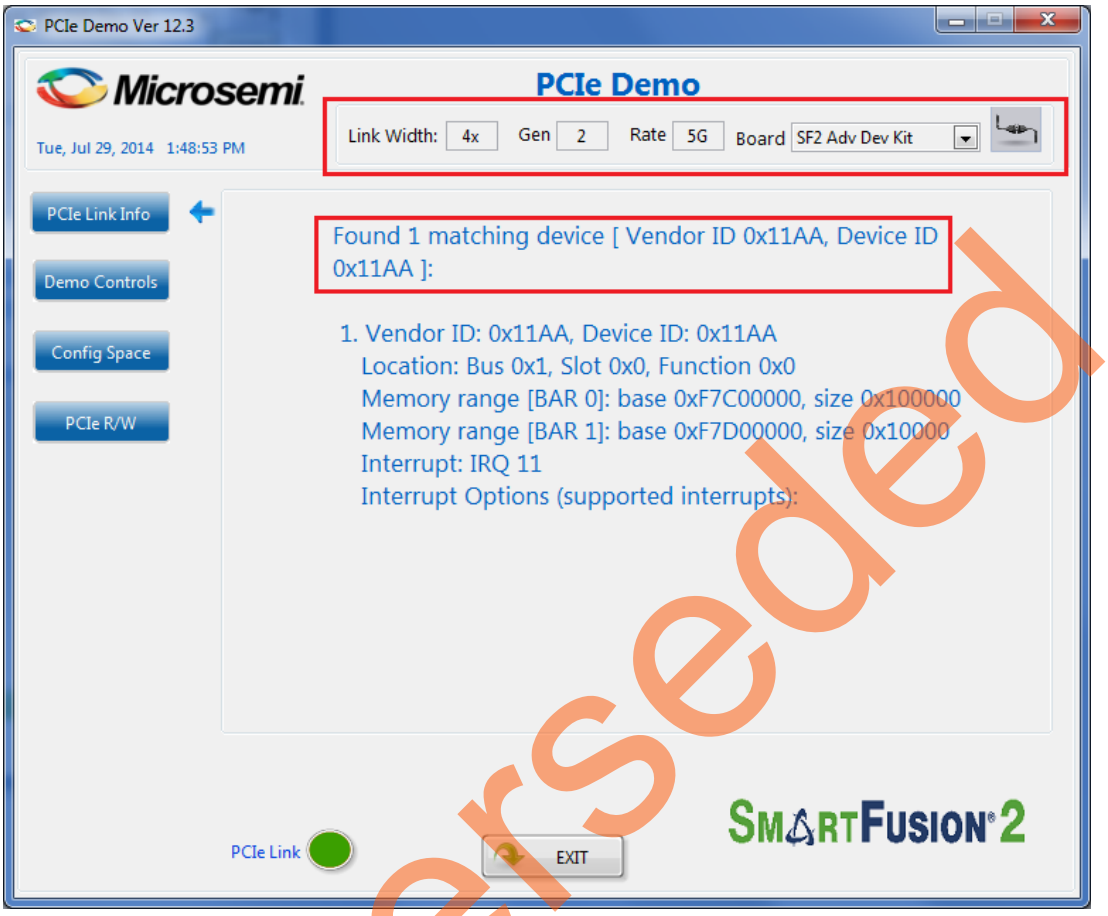

Figure 20 • **Version Information**

Note: If the Host PC does not support Gen 2 slot, the design automatically changes to Gen 1 slot.

5. Click **Demo Controls**. Figure 21 shows the LED options and DIP switch status.

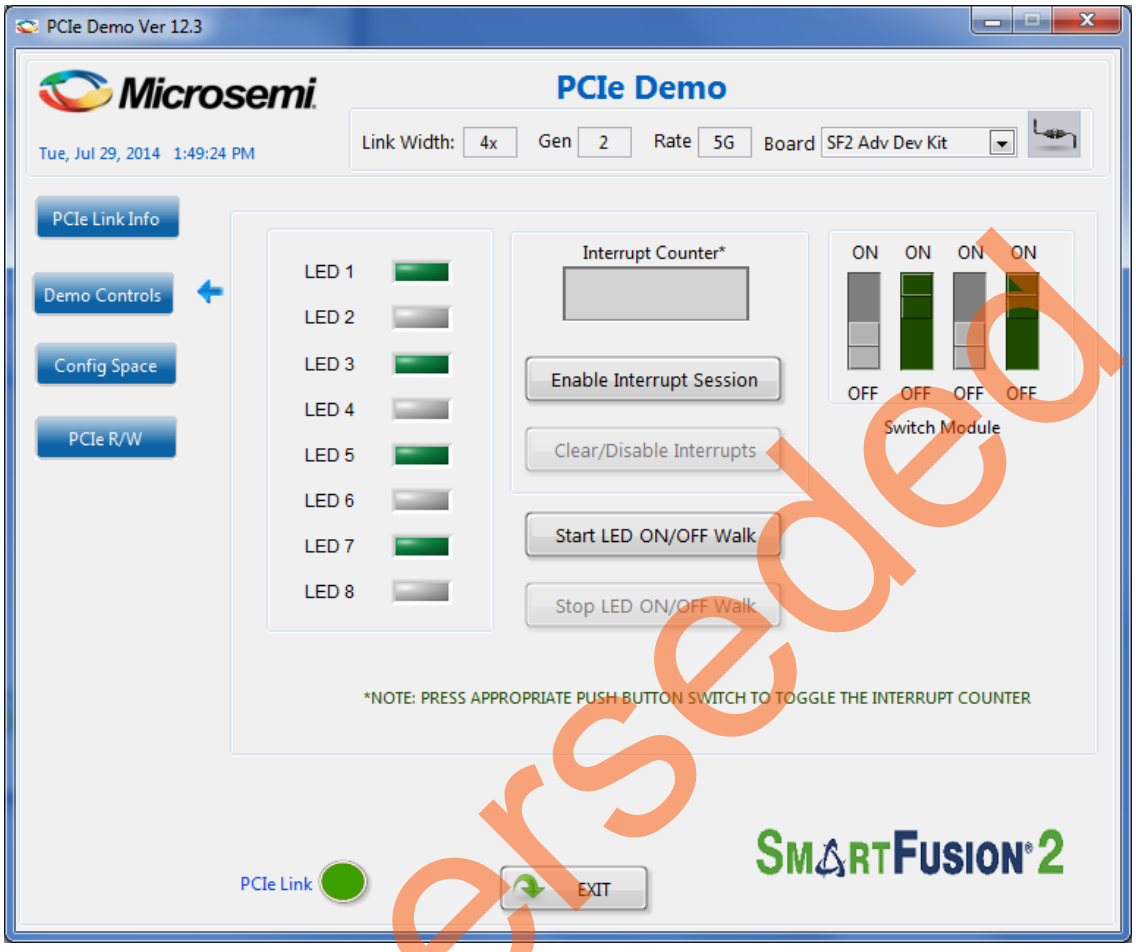

***Figure 21* • Demo Controls**

6. Click LEDs on GUI to **ON/OFF** the LEDs on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.
7. Click **Start LED ON/OFF Walk** to blink the LEDs on SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.
8. Click **Stop LED ON/OFF Walk** to stop the LEDs blinking.
9. Change the DIP switch positions (**1 to 4**) on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board (**SW5**) and observe the similar position of switches in **GUI SWITCH MODULE**.
10. Click **Enable Interrupt Session** to enable the PCIe interrupt.

11. Press the push button **SW1** on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board and observe the interrupt count in the **Interrupt Counter** field, as shown in Figure 22.

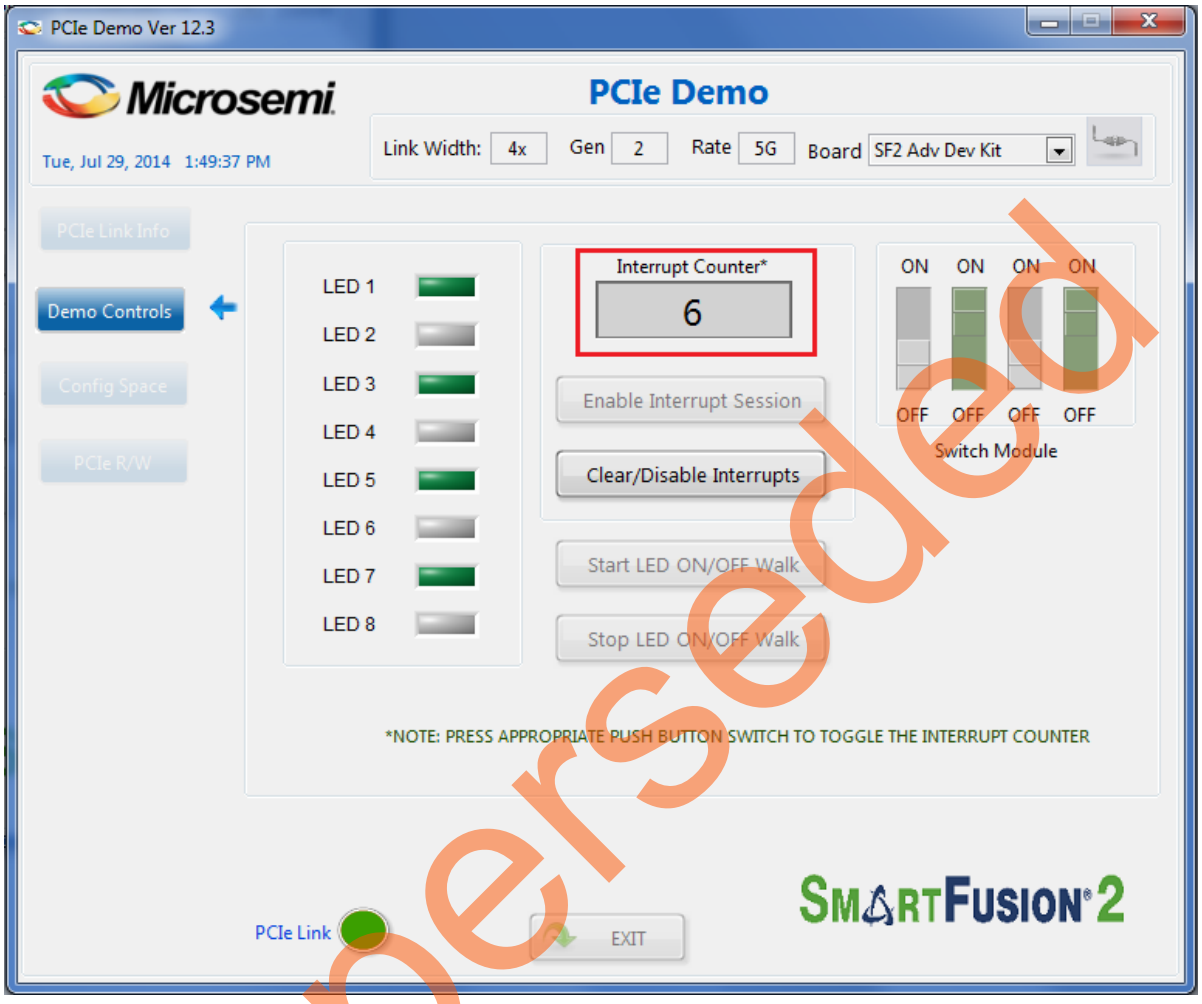

***Figure 22* • Interrupt Counter**

12. Click **Clear/Disable Interrupts** to clear and disable the PCIe interrupts.

13. Click **Config Space** to read details about the PCIe configuration space. Figure 23 shows the PCIe configuration space.

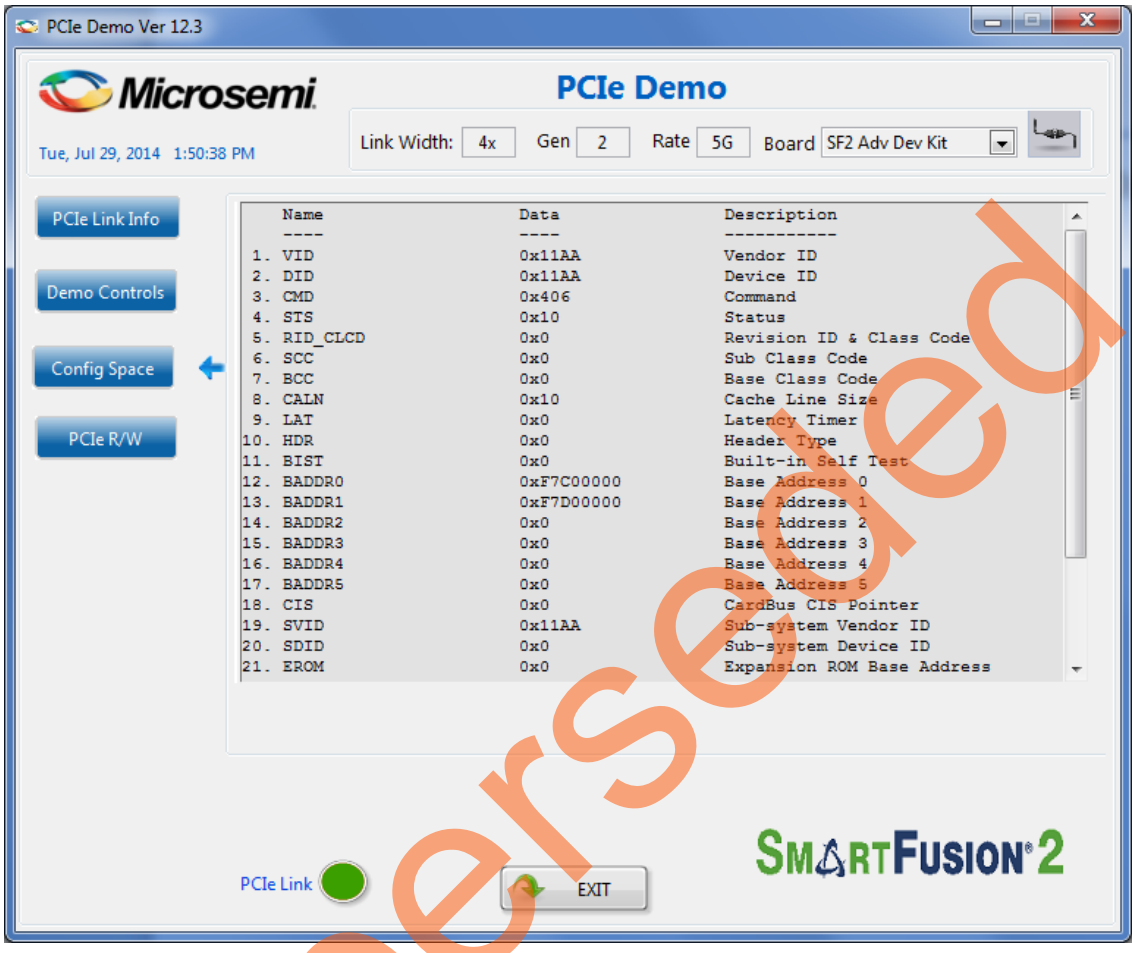

Figure 23 • **Configuration Space**

14. Click **PCIe R/W** to perform read and writes to LSRAM memory through **BAR1** space. Figure 24 on page 28 shows the **PCIe R/W** window.
15. Enter **Address** between 0x0000 to 0xFFFC range.

16. Enter **Data**. The data field accepts a 32-bit hexadecimal value.

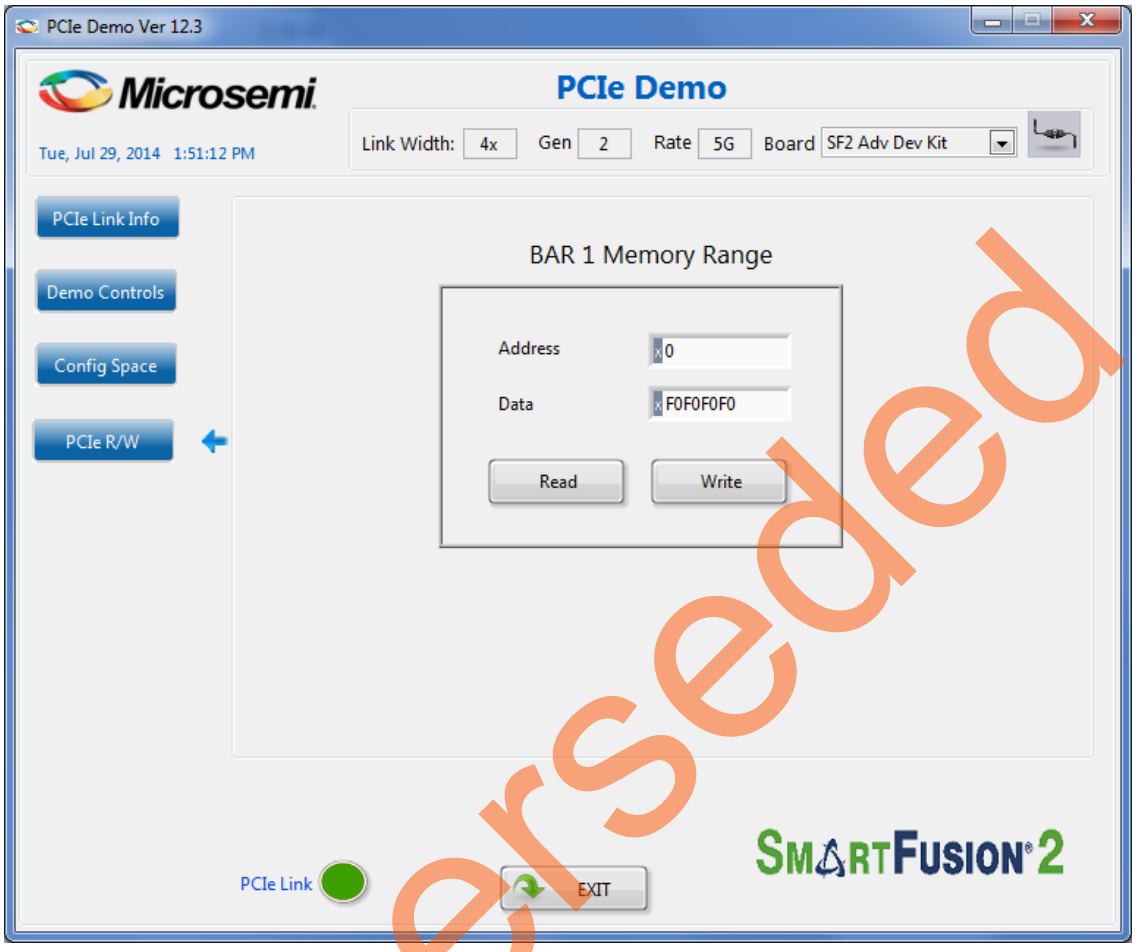

Figure 24 • **Perform Read and Write to LSRAM Using PCIe**

17. Click **Exit** to quit the demo.

Running the Demo Design on Linux

1. Switch **ON** the power supply switch **SW7** on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.
2. Switch **ON** the Red Hat Linux Host PC.
3. Red Hat Linux Kernel detects the SmartFusion2 PCIe end point as Actel Device.
4. On Linux Command Prompt Use `lspci` command to display the PCIe info.

   `# lspci`

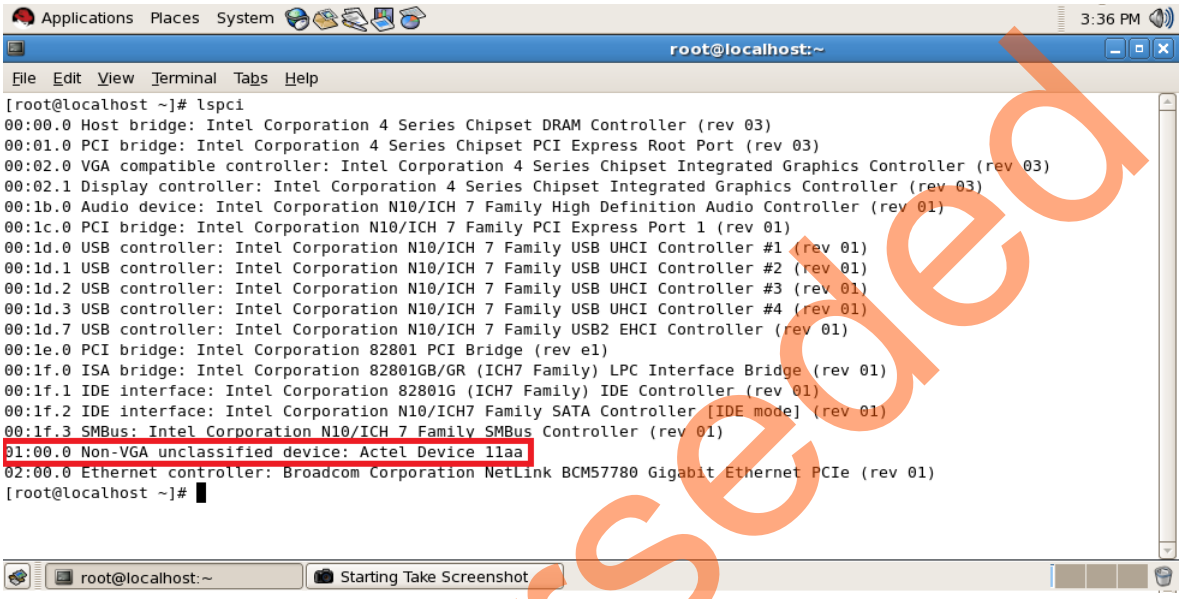

***Figure 25* • PCIe Device Detection**

Drivers Installation

Enter the following commands in the Linux command prompt to install the PCIe drivers:

1. Create the **sf2** directory under the **home/** directory using the following command:

   `# mkdir /home/sf2`

2. Copy the *M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF/* design files folder under */home/sf2* directory, which contains the Linux PCIe device driver files and Linux PCIe application utility files.
3. Copy the Linux PCIe Device Driver file (`PCIe_Driver.zip`) from *M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF/* design files folder.

   `# cp -rf`

   `/home/sf2/M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF/Linux_64bit/Drivers/PCIe_Driver.rar`

   `/home/sf2`

   `# unzip PCIe_Driver.rar`

   /home/sf2 directory must contain the *PCIe_Driver/ inc/* folders.
4. Execute `ls` command to display the contents of */home/sf2* directory.

   `# ls`

5. Change to *inc/* directory by using the following command:

   `#cd /home/sf2/inc`

6. Edit the `board.h` file for SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board as shown in Figure 26.

   ```
   #vi board.h
   #define SF2_ADV_KIT
   #undef IGL2
   #undef SF2_DEV_KIT
   #undef SF2_EVAL_KIT
   ```

7. Enter `[:wq]` command to save the selected file.
8. Enter the following command to change the directory:

   ```
   #cd /home/sf2/PCIe_Driver
   ```

9. Enter the `make` command on Linux Command Prompt to compile the Linux PCIe device driver code.

   ```
   #make clean [To clean any *.o, *.ko files]
   #make
   ```

   The kernel module, *pci_chr_drv_ctrlpln.ko,* is created in the same directory.

10. Enter `insmod` command to insert the Linux PCIe device driver as a module.

    ```
    #insmod pci_chr_drv_ctrlpln.ko
    ```

Note: Root privileges are required to execute this command.

***Figure 26* • Edit board.h File**

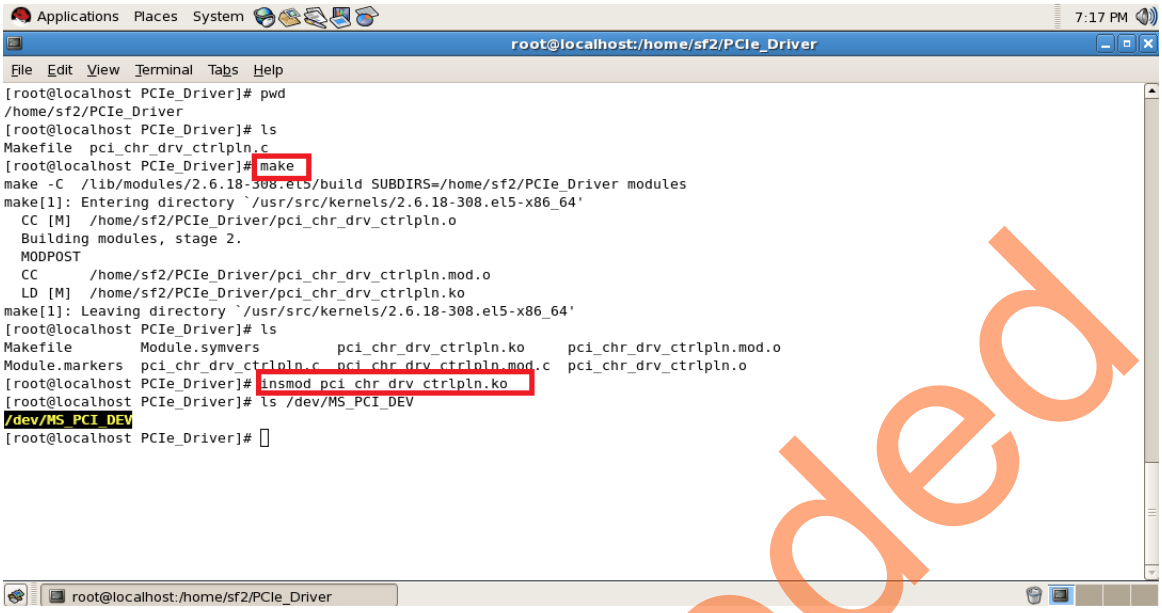

Figure 27 • **PCIe Device Driver Installation**

11. After successful Linux PCIe device driver installation, check `/dev/MS_PCI_DEV` got created by using the following Linux command:

    ```
    #ls /dev/MS_PCI_DEV
    ```

Note: `/dev/MS_PCI_DEV` interface is used to access the SmartFusion2 PCIe end point from Linux user space.

Linux PCIe Application Compilation and PCIe Control Plane Utility Creation

1. Change to the */home/sf2/* directory using the following command:

   ```
   #cd /home/sf2
   ```

2. Copy the Linux PCIe application utility file (`PCIe_App.zip`) from *M2S150_Control_Plane_DF/* design files folder.

   ```
   # cp -rf /home/sf2/M2S150_PCIe_Control_Plane_DF/Linux_64bit/Util/PCIe_App.rar
   /home/sf2
   # unzip PCIe_App.rar
   ```

   /home/sf2 directory must contain *PCIe_App/* folder along with `led_blink.sh` and `pcie_config.sh` scripts.

3. Execute `ls` command to display the contents of */home/sf2* directory.

   ```
   # ls
   ```

4. Compile the Linux user space application `pcie_appln_ctrlpln.c` in */home/sf2/PCIe_App* folder by using `gcc` command.

   ```
   # cd /home/sf2/PCIe_App
   # gcc -o pcie_ctrlplane pcie_appln_ctrlpln.c
   ```

   After successful compilation, Linux PCIe application utility `pcie_ctrlplane` creates in the same directory.

5. On Linux Command Prompt, run the `pcie_ctrlplane` utility as:

   ```
   #./pcie_ctrlplane
   ```

6. Help menu is displayed as shown in Figure 28 on page 32.

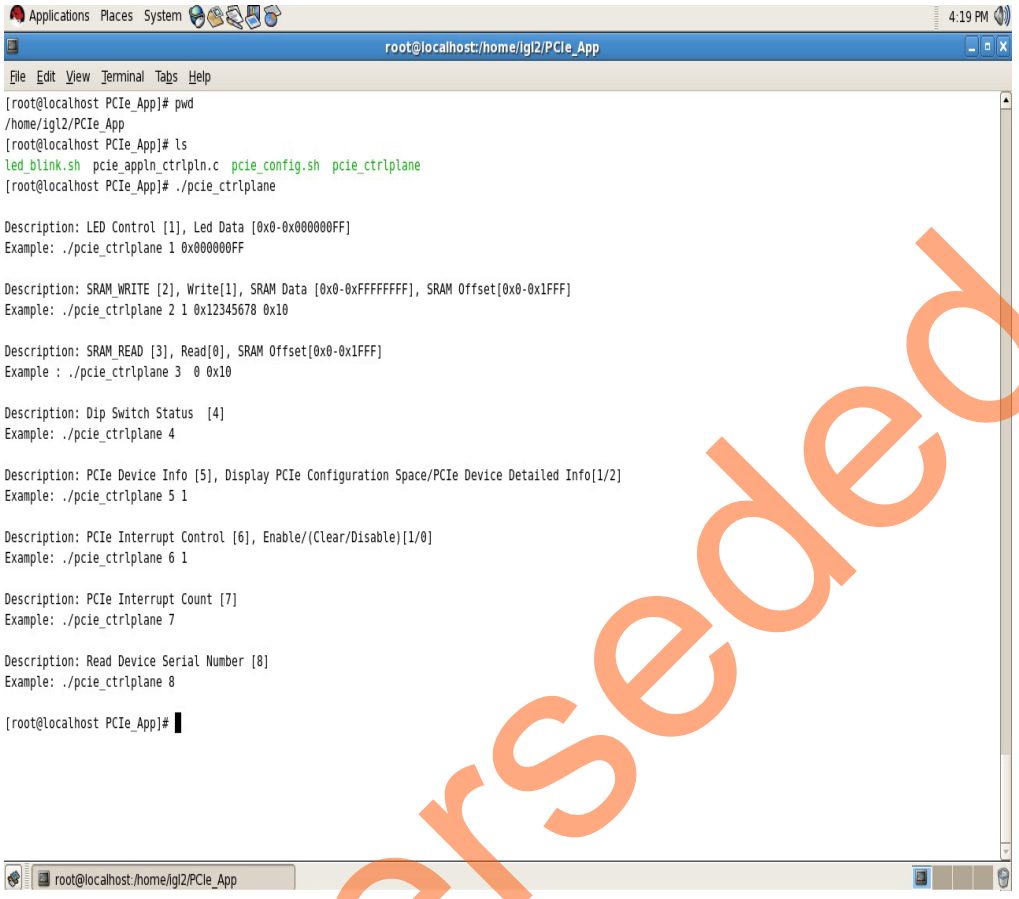

Figure 28 • **Linux PCIe Application Utility**

Execution of Linux PCIe Control Plane Features

LED Control

LED1 to LED8 is controlled by writing data to SmartFusion2 LED Control Registers.

```
#./pcie_ctrlplane 1 0x000000FF [LED OFF]
#./pcie_ctrlplane 1 0x00000000 [LED ON]
```

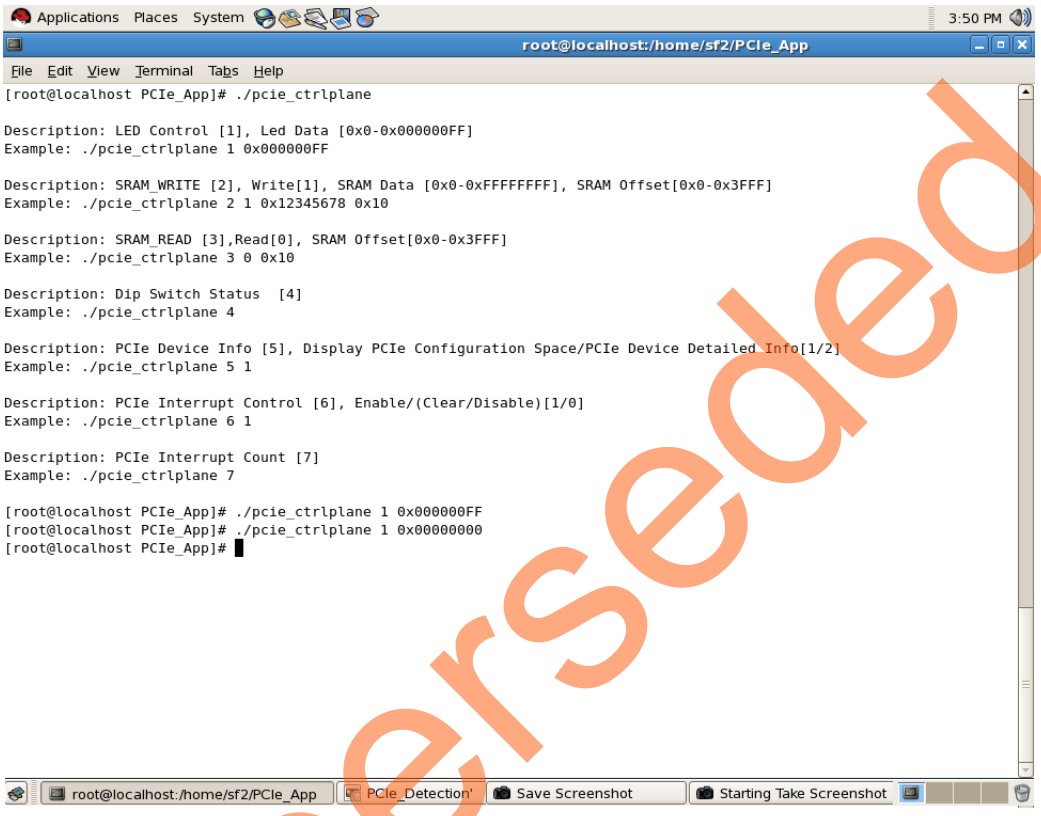

Figure 29 • **Linux Command - LED Control**

`led_blink.sh` contains the shell script code to perform the LED Walk ON, whereas `Ctrl C` exits the shell script and LED Walk turns OFF.

```
#sh led_blink.sh
```

Run the `led_blink.sh` shell script using the `sh` command.

DIP Switch Status

Dip Switch on SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board has four electric switches to hold the device configurations. Linux PCIe utility reads the corresponding switches (ON/OFF) state.

```
#./pcie_ctrlplane 4 [DIP Switch Status]
```

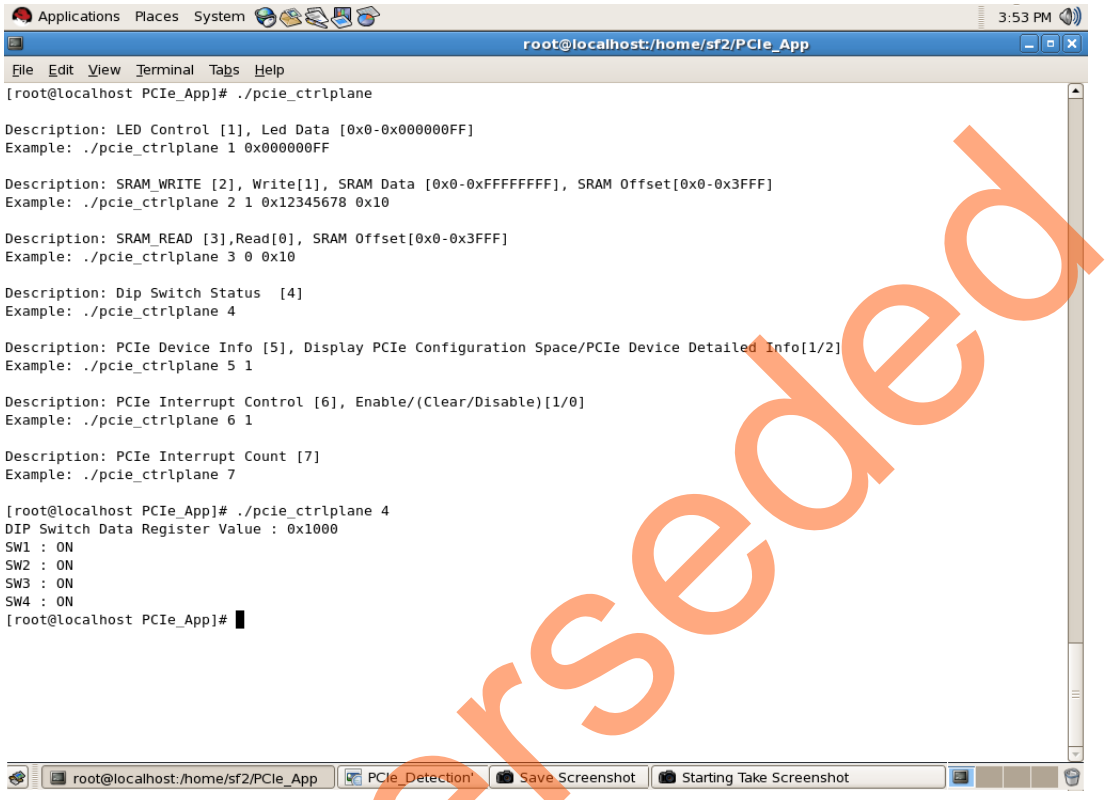

***Figure 30* • Linux Command - DIP Switch**

PCIe Configuration Space Display

PCIe configuration space contains the PCIe device data such as Vendor ID, Device ID, and Base Address 0.

Note: Root Privileges are required to execute this command.

```
#./pcie_ctrlplane 5 1 [Read PCIe Configuration Space]
```

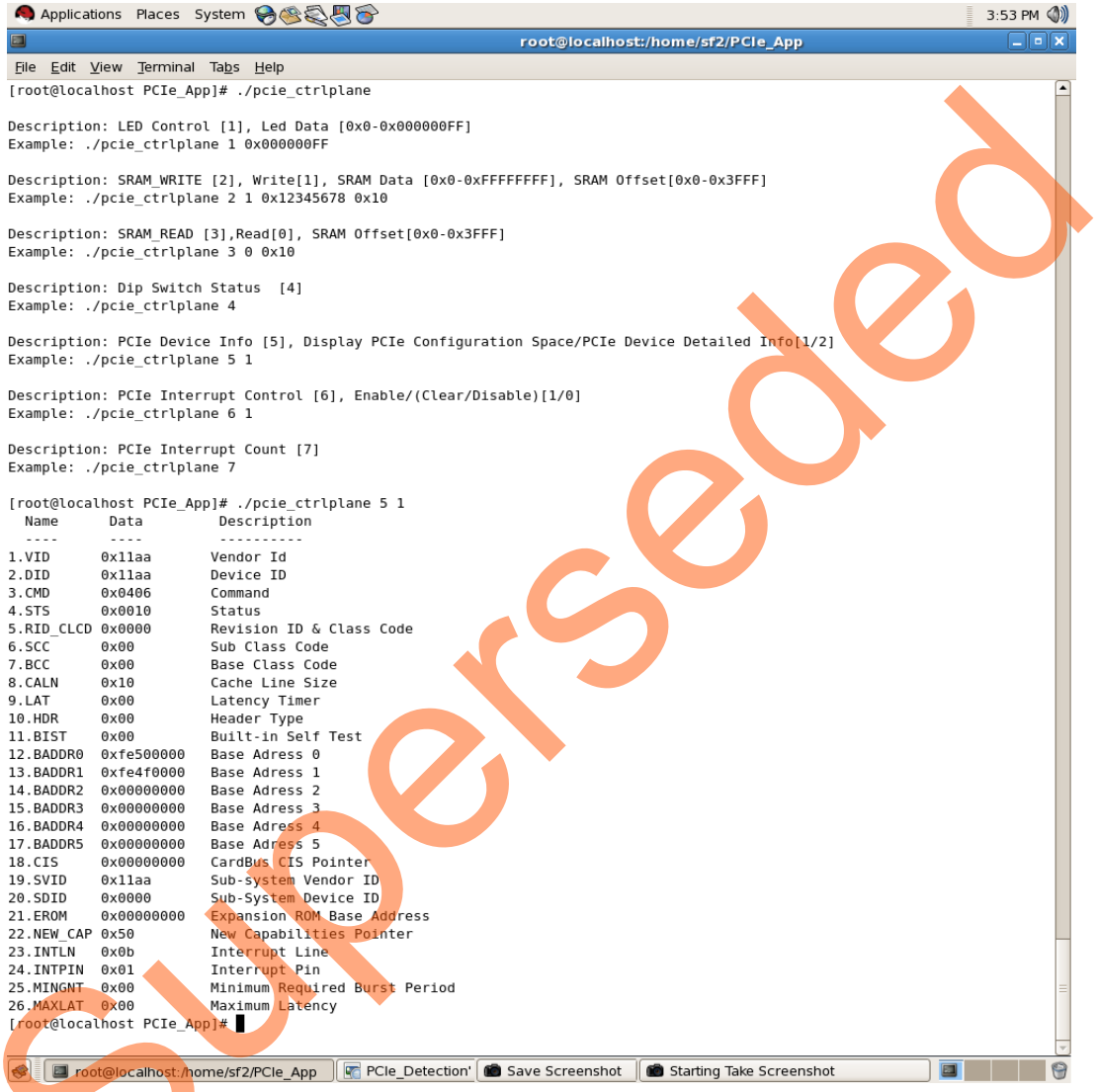

Figure 31 • **Linux Command - PCIe Configuration Space Display**

PCIe Link Speed and Width

Note: Root Privileges are required to execute this command.

```
#./pcie_ctrlplane 5 2 [Read PCIe Link Speed and Link Width]
```

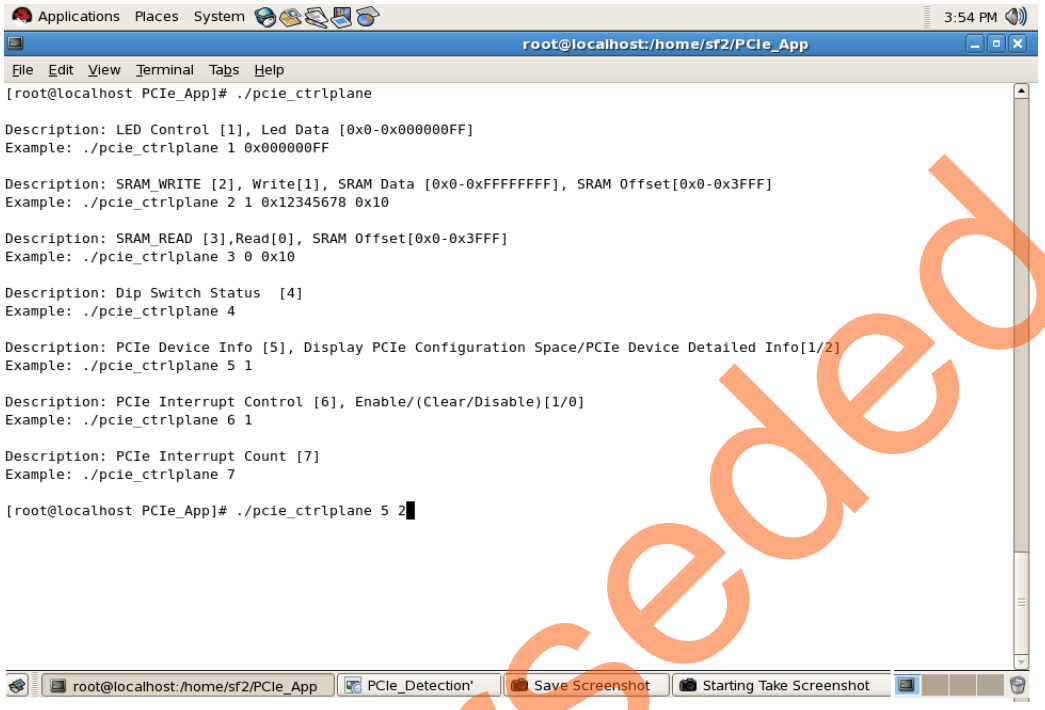

***Figure 32* • Linux Command - PCIe Link Speed and Width**

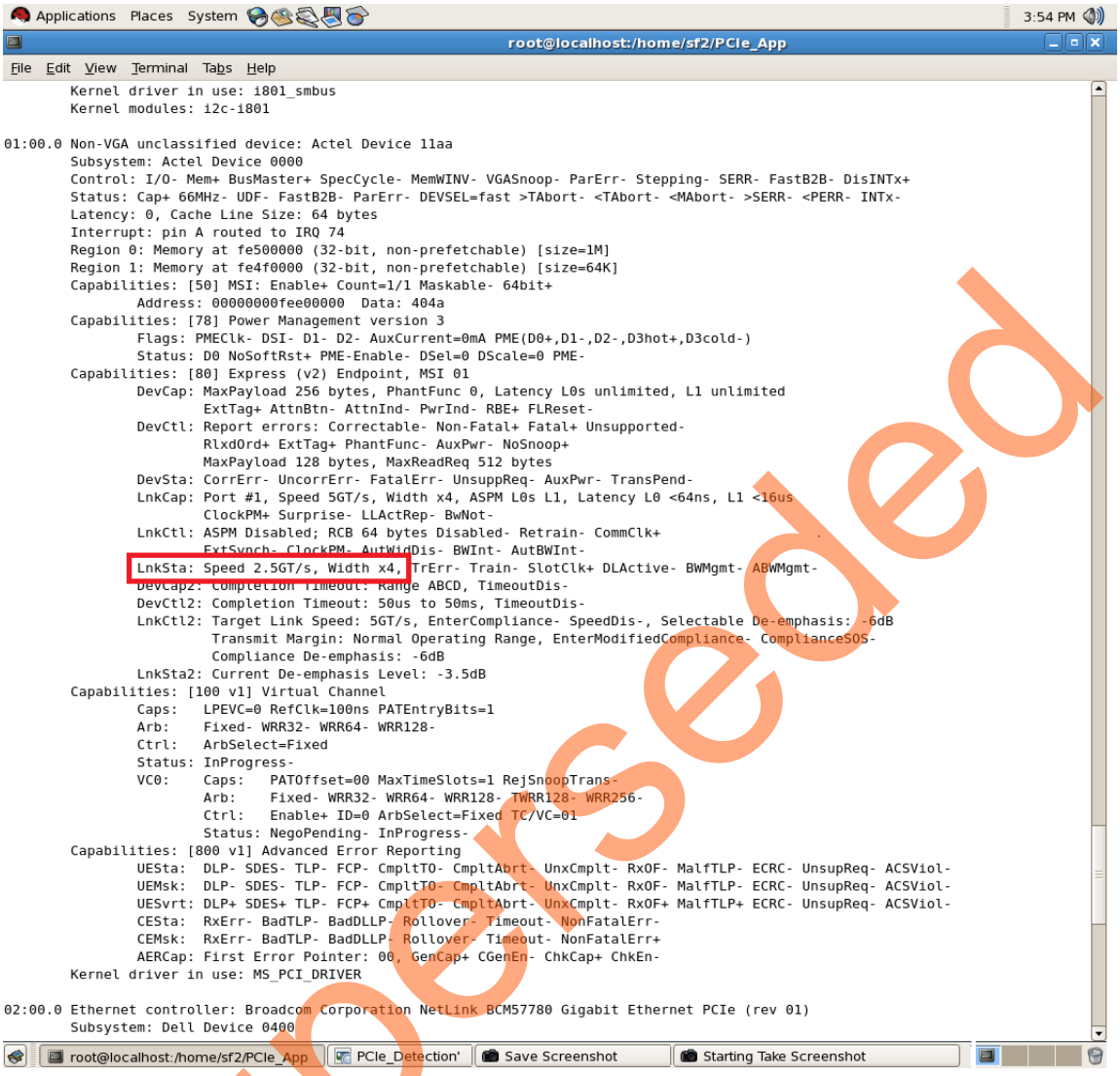

Figure 33 • **Linux Command - PCIe Link Speed and Width**

PCIe Interrupt Control (Enable/Disable) and Interrupt Counter

SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board enables or disables the MSI interrupts by writing data to its PCIe configuration space. Interrupt Counter holds the number of MSI interrupts got triggered by pressing the **SW1** push button.

```
#. /pcie_ctrlplane 6 0 [Disable Interrupts]
#. /pcie_ctrlplane 6 1 [Enable Interrupts]
#. /pcie_ctrlplane 7 [Interrupt Counter Value]
```

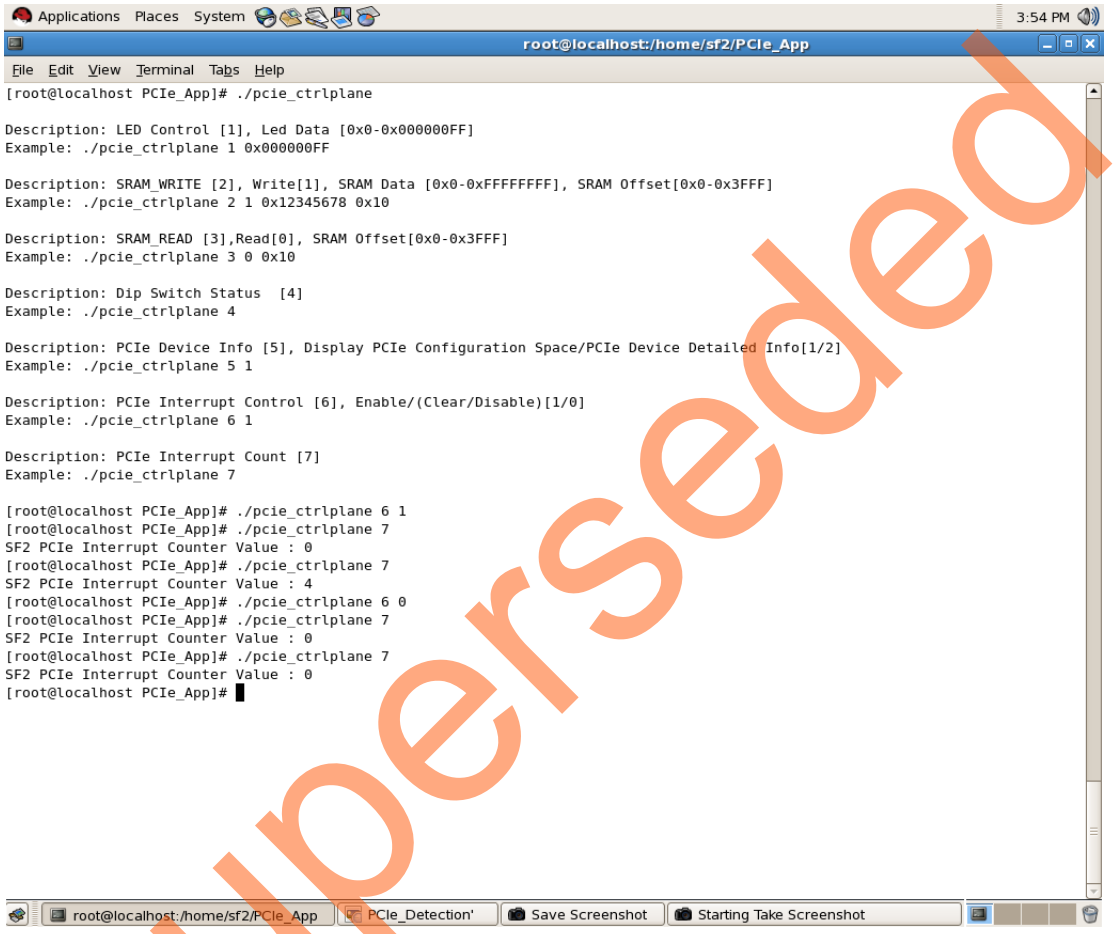

Figure 34 • **Linux Command - PCIe Interrupt Control**

Conclusion

This demo describes how to access the PCIe EP and displays the device serial number feature of SmartFusion2 by implementing a low bandwidth control plane design with BFM simulation. It provides a GUI for easy control of PCIe EP device through Jungo drivers for windows platform. It also provides a Linux PCIe application for easy control of PCIe EP device through Linux PCIe Device Driver.

Appendix 1: SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board

Figure 35 shows the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board.

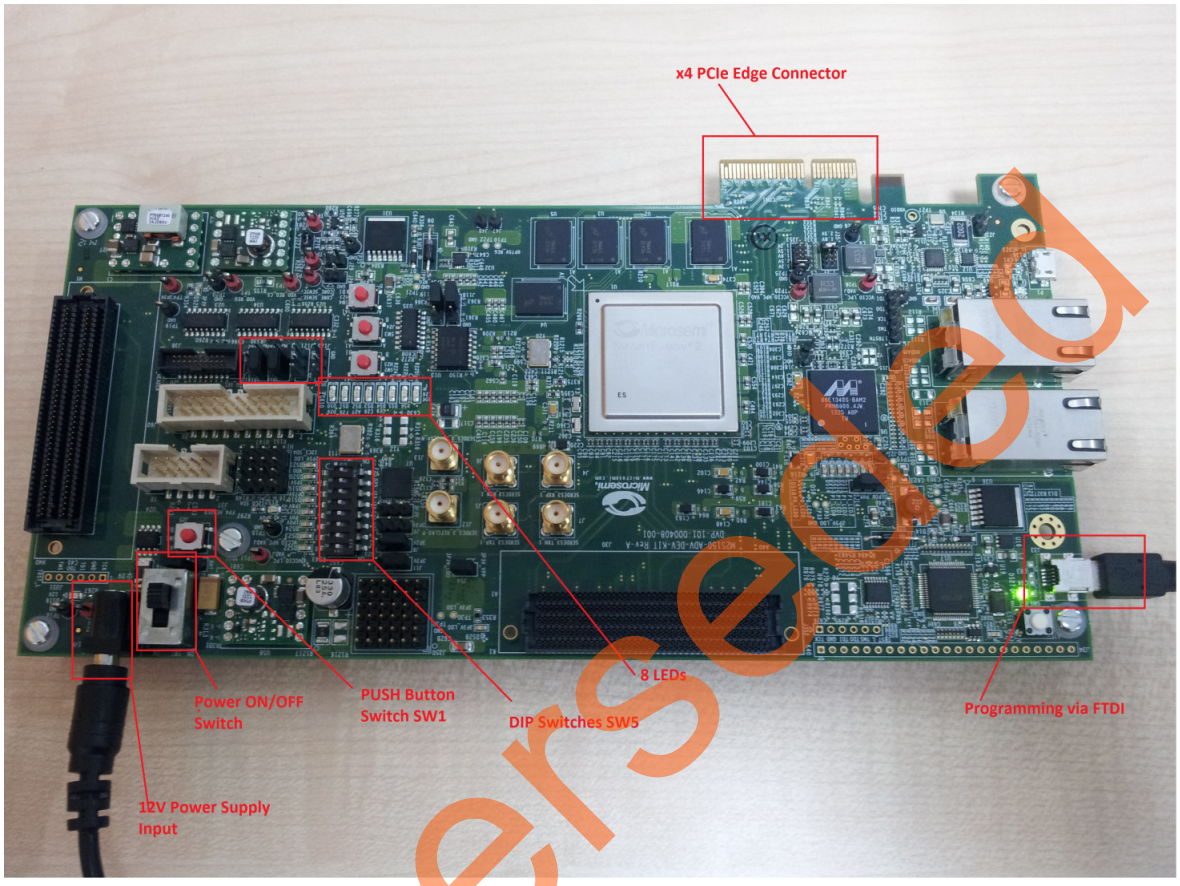

***Figure 35* • SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board**

A – List of Changes

The following table shows important changes made in this document for each revision.

Date	Changes	Page
Revision 2 (January 2015)	Updated the document for Libero v11.5 software release (SAR 63979).	NA
Revision 1 (August 2014)	Initial release	NA

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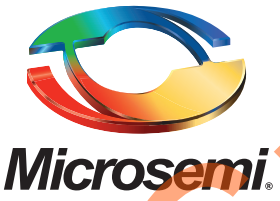

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