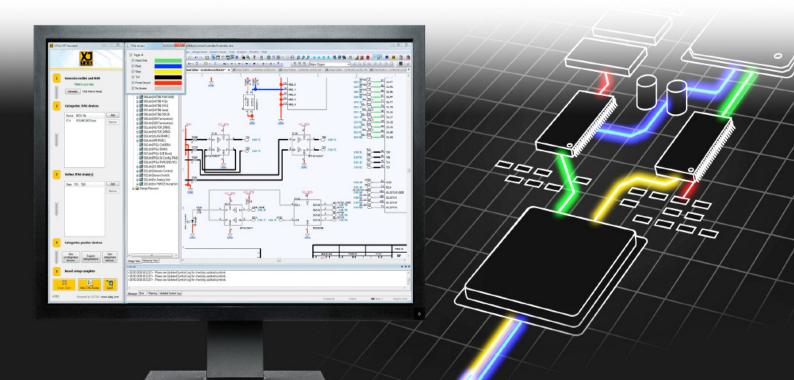


# XJTAG<sup>®</sup> DFT Assistant for



# Installation and User Guide

Version 1.1



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## 1. Introduction

**XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** is a *Software Plugin* for the **Zuken Design Gateway** platform, developed by XJTAG, a leader in JTAG/Boundary Scan technology. The plugin provides added functionality to the platform in the form of running Design For Test (DFT) checks on boundary scan chains in a schematic diagram. These checks ensure the scan chain is correctly connected to each JTAG-enabled device in the design, as well as checking that each signal in the chain has been correctly terminated.

The plugin is made available free of charge. Please note, this plugin requires Design Gateway 2017 or later.

## 2. Installation

The plugin can be installed via a stand-alone installer available from **xjtag.com/zuken**.

Before installing the plugin, Zuken Design Gateway must already be installed, as well as **Microsoft .NET Framework 4.7.1** or higher.

Download and run the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000.msi** installer file for your version of Design Gateway (both <u>x64</u> and <u>x86</u> are available).

Once the plugin has been installed, an XJTAG toolbar button can be added to the interface in *Design Editor* using the *Customize* dialog (see Figure 1).

In Design Editor select '*Tool* > *Customize...*' to open the Customize dialog. Select the '*macro/add-in*' tab at the top of the dialog, click '*Browse...*' and navigate to the directory where the *XJTAG DFT Assistant* is installed (the default is C:\Program Files\ XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000\). Select *XjtagDftAssistant.dll* and press '*Open*'. The *XJTAG DFT Assistant* should now appear at the bottom of your list of add-ins. Simply tick the checkbox to register the add-in and a new toolbar button will appear. The *XJTAG DFT Assistant* can be launched via this button.

Updates for the plugin will be made available periodically via **xjtag.com/zuken**. Emails will be sent to all registered users when new updates have been released.

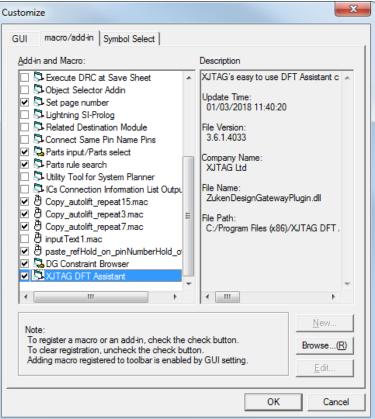


Figure 1: Customize dialog in Design Editor



## 3. Quick Start Guide

- 1 Install XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000 (See Section 2)
- 2 Open a schematic design in *Design Editor*, or start a new design
- 3 Open the XJTAG DFT Assistant from the Tool Bar
- 4 Assign BSDL files to all JTAG-enabled devices in the design (See Section 4.3.1)
- 5 Define the scan chains and their TDI and TDO pins (up to four scan chains) (See Section 4.3.2)
- 6 Categorise any passive devices in the chain(s) (See Sections 4.3.3 & 4.3.4)
- 7 Run the XJTAG Chain Checker (See Section 4.4)
- 8 Run the XJTAG Access Viewer (See Section 4.5)

## 4. User Guide

#### 4.1. Background

Boundary scan, as defined by the IEEE 1149.x family of standards, is a technology which enables a JTAG-enabled Integrated Circuit (IC) to relinquish control of its pins to an external agent for test purposes. The logic required to do this is included in the IC at each JTAG-enabled pin, known as a boundary scan 'cell'. These cells are connected in series within the IC and accessed externally through a 4- or 5-pin port known as a Test Access Port, or TAP.

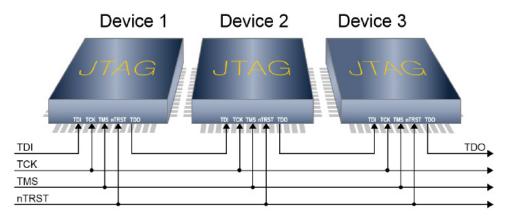


Figure 2: A boundary scan chain connecting three ICs

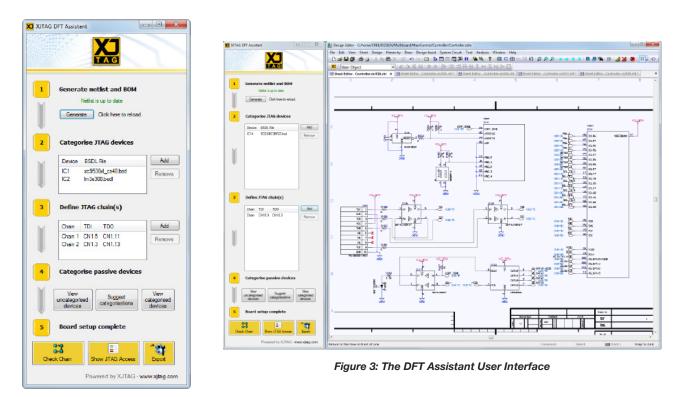
The TAP on each JTAG-enabled IC can be connected serially creating what is referred to as a boundary scan chain (*see Figure 2*). As each IC is a link in this chain, it is imperative that the chain's integrity is maintained through its entirety; from where it enters the board, to where it leaves. Typically this would be on two pins of the same connector.

The **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** software plugin provides a level of automation in checking that one (or many) scan chain(s) on a PCB are connected and terminated correctly. Crucially, these tests are carried out at the schematic capture stage, thereby identifying errors early in the design cycle and helping to avoid costly PCB respins.

## 4.2. Setup Overview

Because the software plugin is fully integrated into *Design Editor*, most of the information needed to conduct a DFT check of a boundary scan chain, such as a netlist and BOM, can be accessed within the platform automatically. However, it is also necessary to provide some additional information that would not normally form part of a Zuken Design Gateway design. Specifically, a Boundary Scan Description Language (BSDL) file must be provided for each JTAG-enabled device in the design.

In order to comply with the IEEE standard, it is a requirement for the IC manufacturer to supply a BSDL file for each JTAG-enabled device. Sourcing BSDL files is, therefore, not difficult but it is recommended they be obtained direct from the manufacturer's website in order to guarantee they are the latest versions.



BSDL files can be assigned to ICs using the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** interface, which is in a separate window that can be displayed side by side with the Design Editor main window (*see Figure 3*).

Once a BSDL file is imported and associated with an IC it is stored as part of the Design Editor project, so the process does not need to be repeated.

Other non-JTAG devices that may propagate boundary scan access or form a part of the JTAG chain include standard logic and passive devices. The **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** will help identify any such devices in the schematic and allow the designer to categorise them. In addition, pressing the *Suggest Categorisations* button will attempt to auto-categorise any commonly seen components such as series resistors and pull resistors. Any devices not categorised can be assigned later if the design is exported and opened in **XJDeveloper** (see Section 5.0 for more details). All categorisation information will also be stored as part of the design.

## 4.3. Workflow

The **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** panel opens as a new window after selecting the *XJTAG* button from the *Tool Bar*. If the assistant window is already open, it will give the window focus (see *Figure 4*).

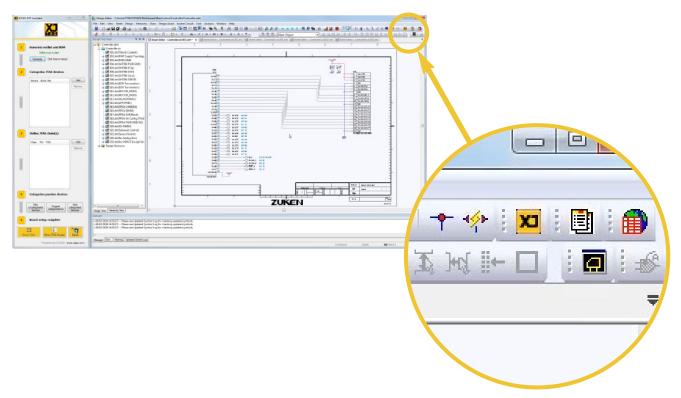


Figure 4: Starting the XJTAG DFT Assistant

When the Assistant panel is opened for the first time, most of the UI will be disabled until a netlist is generated by clicking on the *Generate* button towards the top of the panel. It is a requirement to generate <u>netlist and BOM information for the current schematic project before any DFT analysis can be carried out</u>. If the design is changed while the Assistant is open the netlist should be updated by clicking again on the *Generate* button. This will carry out a netlist update in the background and a progress bar will be displayed while this happens. All the sheets in schematic will be opened as part of the netlist generation process but they can be closed afterwards as necessary.

There are three stages to performing a board setup:

- Categorise JTAG devices
- Assign JTAG TDI and TDO pins, and
- Categorise passive devices.

These actions can be carried out in any order and will be discussed in more detail below. Once board setup is complete there are three options available to the user at the bottom of the Assistant panel: Check the JTAG Chain, Show/Hide JTAG Access, or export XJDeveloper project.

#### 4.3.1. Categorising JTAG devices

JTAG-enabled devices in the schematic should be identified by the user and assigned a BSDL file. It is recommended to obtain BSDL files from the appropriate part manufacturer's website. To associate a BSDL file with its component, press the *Add* button next to the JTAG devices list view (*see Figure 5*). The *Add JTAG Device* dialog box will open containing a device selector control and BSDL file selector control. Start typing a device reference into the device box and it will provide suggestions for devices in the circuit.

Add JTAG De	vice 💌
Device:	U4 🔹
BSDL File:	G\STM32F1_Low_density_VFQFPN36.bsd Browse
	OK Cancel

Figure 5: Associating a BSDL file to an IC in the schematic

The path to the BSDL file will be stored as a property of the JTAG-enabled device in the design. Any plain text file format is acceptable for use as a BSDL file and the plugin will automatically check that the file parses correctly. However the onus is on the user to ensure that the BSDL file is the correct one for the device chosen. An incorrect BSDL file may lead to incorrect and misleading results when using the **XJTAG Chain Checker** or **XJTAG Access Viewer**.

#### 4.3.2. Defining JTAG Chain(s)

As outlined above, a TAP (Test Access Port) comprises a minimum of four signals: TDI (Test Data In); TDO (Test Data Out); TCLK (Test Clock), and TMS (Test Mode Select). An optional fifth signal, nTRST (Test Reset) may also be present, which disables boundary scan when held low.

It is essential that the JTAG chain (TAP) is routed to the correct pins on each JTAG-enabled device in the chain. For the chain to function correctly it must be possible to trace a route from the board TDI pin (where the chain enters the board), into TDI and out of TDO of each JTAG device in turn and then to the board TDO pin (where the chain leaves the board). It is possible to implement more than one chain on a single design, however each JTAG-enabled device may only be connected to a single JTAG chain. The **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** software plugin provides a fully integrated way of ensuring scan chains are connected as intended and correctly.

In order to achieve this it is necessary to identify the TDI and TDO pins on each chain to determine how the PCB will be connected to the JTAG testing hardware. It is possible to define up to 4 scan chains in a single design. To select the TDI and TDO pins for each chain, click on the *Add* button next to the TDI and TDO list view, and this will open the *Add Chain* dialog box (*see Figure 6*).

Add Chai	in		<b>X</b>
Name:	Chain		
TDI:	P1.5	•	Select
TDO:	P1.13	•	Select
		ОК	Cancel

Figure 6: Adding a boundary scan chain

The *Add Chain* dialog allows a name to be assigned to the chain and for the TDI and TDO pins to be selected from the pins on the board. Typically these pins will be test points or on a connector. To assign TDI either enter the device and pin designation directly in to the dialog box (for example, enter CN1.5 for Connector 1, Pin 5), or select a device and pin manually. If selecting manually, clicking the Select button will bring up the Select Device and Pin dialogue box showing all available devices. Selecting a device will reveal all available pins on that device, with their net designations (if included). Select a pin and press OK. Repeat this process to assign TDO.

Note: Once TDI or TDO have been assigned the Select Device and Pin dialogue box will default to the same component. This can be overridden if necessary by deleting the Device name in the Filter box. Once TDI and TDO have been assigned and BSDL files have been added for all JTAG-enabled devices in the chain, the plugin has enough information to automatically generate a JTAG chain route. The route is automatically generated each time the design is opened, therefore reflecting any changes made at the schematic level.

#### 4.3.3. Categorising passive devices

There are two reasons for categorising passive devices on the board. Firstly, it is common for passive devices, such as resistors and links, to be used in the JTAG chain. These devices need to be categorised to allow the JTAG chain to be auto-routed successfully. Secondly, categorising series resistors will allow the **XJTAG Access Viewer** tool to provide a more accurate indication of the extent of JTAG access on the board.

Passive devices are categorised by assigning them a passive device descriptor (PDD) file, in a similar way to JTAG devices and BSDL files, except that PDD files do not need to be supplied externally. PDD files for common cases, such as a series resistor, pull resistor, series and pull resistor packs etc., are included with the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** plugin. More complex custom PDD files can be defined by the user through the plugin's interface to cover any possible passive device configuration.

There are two methods for categorising passive devices. Devices can be manually searched for and categorised by clicking the *View uncategorised devices* button to open the *Uncategorised Devices* 

dialog (see Figure 7). Alternatively the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** can suggest categorisations automatically by clicking the *Suggest Categorisations* button. The *Suggest Categorisation* dialog will provide PDD files for any passive devices that can be auto-categorised (see Figure 8).

Uncategorised Devices			×
Filter: All Boards			
Only Show Accessible Devices			
All Components			
Suggested Bias Termination Resistors			
<ul> <li>Suggested Connectors</li> </ul>			
Suggested Coupling Capacitors			
<ul> <li>Suggested Devices</li> </ul>			
Suggested Diodes			
Suggested Ferrite Beads			
Suggested Fuses			
<ul> <li>Suggested Ignore Capacitors</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Suggested Inductors</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Suggested Other Capacitors</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Suggested Other Resistors</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Suggested Pull Resistors</li> </ul>			
Suggested Resistor Packs			
Suggested Series Resistors	BOM Description	BOM Value	Pin Count
R3	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
R4	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
R5	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
R6	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
R7	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
<sup>I</sup> R8	200R 0.063W 5% 0402 (1005 Metric) SMD	200R	2
Suggested Unfitted Devices			
Categorise As Passive			Close

Figure 7: The Uncategorised Devices dialog box

Reference	Assign As	Definition		Assign
R3 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	1
R4 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	
R5 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	
R6 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	
R7 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	
R8 (200R)	Passive	resistor	•	
R9 (10K)	Passive	pull-resistor	•	
R10 (10K)	Passive	pull-resistor	•	
	30M Value	•		

Figure 8: The Suggest Categorisation dialog box



To avoid categorising passive devices that will not affect the extent of JTAG access, the *Suggest Categorisation* dialog is limited to those devices already on nets with JTAG access.

To uncategorise an already categorised device, press the *View categorised devices* button which will bring up a list of all passive devices categorised so far. From here a device, or group of devices, can be selected and uncategorised.

#### 4.3.4. Manually creating a passive device

To manually create a passive device (using a new PDD file) open the *Uncategorised Devices* dialog and select a device, either by navigating the tree view or typing the device reference into the filter box. Clicking the *Only Show Accessible Devices* checkbox will toggle between showing all devices in the circuit or only showing devices on nets with JTAG access. Once a device, or group of devices, is selected press the *Categorise As Passive* button to open the *Assign Device* dialog (see *Figure 9*).

Assign Device as	Passive: R1		
Known Device Fi	les		
File	Description		
resistor.pdd (Libr	ary)		
<del>≢</del> Create File	🗁 Browse		
Connection Devi	ce Properties		
🔽 Show Warni	ngs		
Device Note			
		OK Cancel	.at

Figure 9: Assigning a device as a passive

The top half of the dialog will provide suggestions for possible PDD files that match the parameters of the device. Selecting one of these and pressing OK will categorise the device. If no suitable PDD file is present in the top list there are the options to browse for an existing PDD file that was created previously or to create a new one. Pressing the *Create File* button will open the New PDD File Dialog (*see Figure 10*).



New PDD File							×
Device Details			Connection List				
File Name	8 Pin Resistor Pack.pdd		Connection Type	From	То		
			Connect	1	8		
			Connect	2	7		
Description	8 pin resistor pack		Connect	3	6		
Oreate New File			Connect	4	5		
<ul> <li>Based on File</li> </ul>		Select	X Remove				1
			Add Connections		To	Add	
						ОК	Cancel

Figure 10: Creating a new PDD file

To create a new PDD file, enter a filename and (optionally) some description text and then add connections between pins. Connections can be of two types, either a simple connection (where the two pins are electrically linked or there is a low resistance value between them) or a pull connection (for pull resistors). Once a type is selected, and the pin numbers have been entered, press *Add* to add the connection to the list. Once all connections are added, click OK to create the new file.

Connections which do not fall into these types (e.g. terminations) should be left uncategorised – if the project is exported into **XJDeveloper** they can be set up there.

#### 4.4. Check JTAG Chain

Once setup is complete, clicking on the *Check Chain* button will initialise the **XJTAG Chain Checker**. This will open the *Chain Check Results* dialog box (*see Figure 11*), giving a breakdown of any potential errors or causes for concern in the JTAG chains that have been defined.

The errors and warnings reported by the **XJTAG Chain Checker** are split into 3 categories; TAP net connection errors, TAP net termination errors and compliance pin errors. Connection errors are problems that prevent a JTAG chain being routed successfully and are classed as fatal errors as they will prevent any JTAG access through that chain. Termination errors are caused by TAP nets not being terminated to power or ground properly, potentially causing signal integrity issues. The errors and warnings will make recommendations for how best to prevent this. Compliance pins are pins on JTAG devices that must be set correctly to enable the device's boundary scan operation. The pins and values required are set out in the *Compliance Patterns* section of the BSDL file and the compliance pin errors will report any errors in the circuit design that prevent these pins being set correctly.



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	DkΩ.
4 III	
Compliance Pins	
Type Detail	
Warning Compliance pin 'U1.D5' set to Low, but is not pulled or tied.	
Warning Compliance pin 'U1.A2' set to High, but is not pulled ortied.	
Warning Compliance pin 'U3.A2' set to High, but is not pulled or tied.	
Warning Compliance pin 'U900.R2' set to High, but is not pulled or tied.	

Figure 11: The Chain Check Results Dialog box

The full list of errors and warnings that are detected are shown below:

•	connection errors TAP net (TDI, TDO, TMS, TCLK or TRST) connected to the wrong pin(s)
•	with respect to the associated BSDL file(s)
	TAP net connected to a power or ground net
	Two different TAP nets connected together
•	Loop in a JTAG chain
	Two TDI pins connected to the same net
	Unable to route JTAG chain for some other reason
TAD not	connection warnings
	All devices in chain do not share the same TMS or TCK
τΔΡ not	termination errors
•	TDI, TDO or TMS not pulled to power
	TRST not pulled to ground
•	No series resistor on TDO
•	TCK not terminated to ground with a resistor and capacitor
TAP net	termination warnings
•	TDI, TDO or TMS pulled to power with a resistor of the wrong value
•	TRST pulled to ground with a resistor of the wrong value
•	TCK terminated with a resistor/capacitor of the wrong value
Complia	ance pin errors
•	Compliance pin tied the wrong way
•	Compliance pin pulled the wrong way with no other device on the net
•	Compliance pin not connected
Complia	ance pin warnings
•	Compliance pin not tied or pulled

Full list of faults detected by XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000

Note: The termination check and compliance pin check will not run if there are TAP net connection errors.

## 4.5. XJTAG Access Viewer

At any stage of the board setup, clicking on the *Show JTAG Access* button will highlight the JTAG access on each page of the schematic diagram. This feature shows the best level of access available on each net, as long as all JTAG devices categorised so far are connected up correctly. The nets will be colour-coded, as shown in *Figure 12*. The nets accessible to boundary scan testing will be highlighted using these colour codes, as shown in *Figure 13*.



Figure 12: Colour-coded nets showing boundary scan access

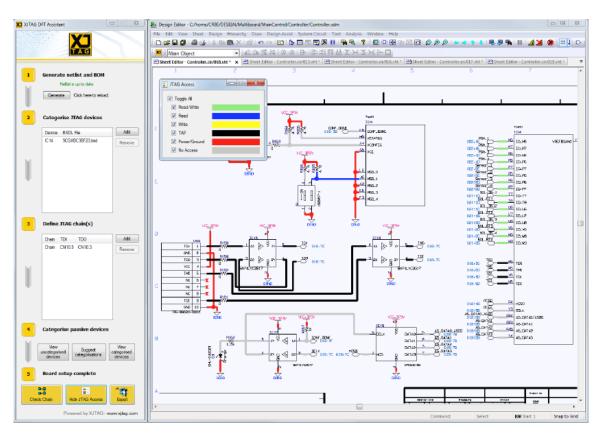


Figure 13: Screenshot showing colour-coded boundary scan access



Ticking and unticking on access types in the *JTAG Access Legend* toggles the line width of those nets in the design (see *Figures 14-15*).

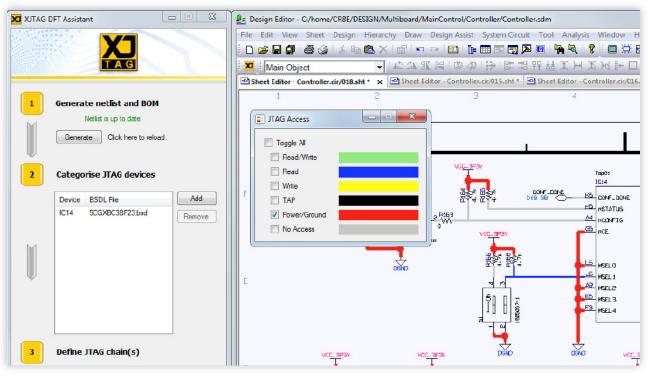


Figure 14: Power/Ground nets only

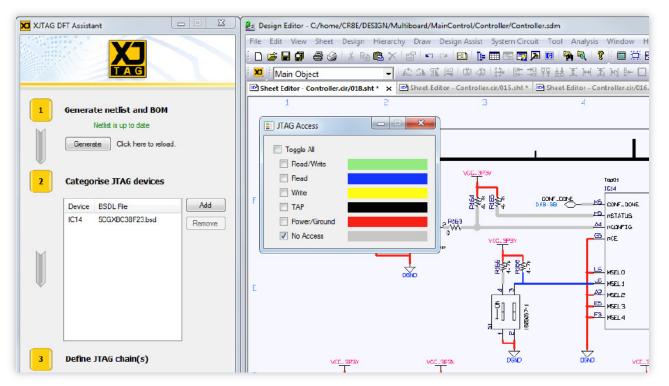


Figure 15: Nets with no boundary scan access

Pressing the *Hide JTAG Access* button, closing the *JTAG Access Legend* or *XJTAG DFT Assistant* window, closing the design or closing *Design Editor* will return all nets to their original colours and thickness.



#### 5. Export XJDeveloper Project

At any stage, users with a licence from XJTAG can export the information they have entered as an **XJDeveloper** project. By clicking on *Export XJDeveloper Project*, the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** will look for a valid **XJDeveloper** licence. If no licence is detected, the following box will appear (see *Figure 16*):

XJTAG	
8	No licence was found for XJDeveloper. Please make sure that an XJLink is plugged in and you have the correct licence to run XJDeveloper. For further assistance, please contact <u>XJTAG Support</u> . <u>Retry</u> Cancel
<b>Tak</b> Try XJ	cence? No problem! <b>e a FREE XJTAG Trial</b> TAG for 30 days with full features and support. AJTAG boundary scan you can: Develop tests in hours, not days Test without firmware Get superior test coverage Debug boards faster <b>GET STARTED NOW</b>

Figure 16: Missing XJDeveloper licence dialog box

If no valid **XJDeveloper** licence is available, click on *Get Started Now* to open a webpage detailing the free evaluation offer on XJTAG's website.

Please note, the exported project requires V3.4 or higher of XJDeveloper

## 5.1. Boundary Scan test development

**XJDeveloper** is XJTAG's Integrated Development Environment (IDE) for the development and execution of interconnection and functional tests run over Boundary Scan. It provides all the functionality needed to execute boundary scan tests on a prototype board, as well as production tests in a manufacturing environment.

**XJDeveloper** includes an extensive library of functional tests for non JTAG-enabled devices. It also includes a powerful test development language called *XJEase*, which makes it easy to develop further tests and apply them through an *XJLink2 Controller*.



## 5.2. Migrating a project to XJDeveloper

The setup process completed within the **XJTAG DFT Assistant for Zuken CR-8000** can be exported as an **XJDeveloper** project, and simply opened from within **XJDeveloper**. The user can then continue with the board setup process, by categorising the remaining non JTAG-enabled devices which have not been categorised in the *XJTAG DFT Assistant*. A full interconnectivity test can then be carried out on the PCB once manufactured, to identify a wide range of manufacturing faults. The full list of faults that can be detected using XJTAG's boundary scan technology is illustrated in *Figure 17*.

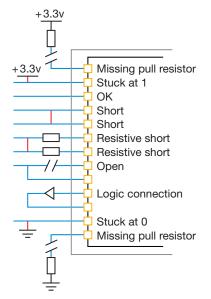


Figure 17: The full range of faults detectable using XJTAG's boundary scan technology

#### 6. Troubleshooting

#### • The XJTAG DFT Assistant plugin fails to install

Please check you have the correct version of Zuken Design Gateway installed. The plugin supports Design Gateway 2017 or later. The plugin also requires the .NET Framework version 4.5.2 or later. Download it here: https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/download/details.aspx?id=42642. If the installer still does not work please contact *support@xjtag.com*.

#### • Error while generating netlist

There are a large variety of reasons why an error might occur at this stage. Please contact *support@xjtag.com* with details of the specific error you are seeing. If possible, a fix will be provided in a new release of the plugin.

#### Registration reports "Unable to communicate with XJTAG server"

This error means the *XJTAG DFT Assistant* is unable to connect to the internet. An active internet connection is required in order to register for the *XJTAG DFT Assistant* plugin. Once successfully registered, no further internet connection is required.



• Chain Check – "Fatal Error: Cannot find a TDI pin or the final TDO pin connected to pin X.x." This error means the chain check is unable to find a valid route for the JTAG chain. Please check that the TDI and TDO pins you have provided are correct. The most common cause of this error is an uncategorised passive device in the JTAG chain. The pin listed in the error is the last point in the JTAG chain reached before the auto-route failed, so this is a useful place to look for the issue. See Section 4.3.3 for a guide on categorising passive devices.

#### • Chain Check – Termination or Compliance errors are reported incorrectly

The chain check uses a variety of patterns to identify pull resistors on the schematic automatically. However this cannot always correctly identify all components. Specifically resistor references that do not begin with an R, or BOM values that contain other information apart from just a resistance, can cause problems. Results can always be improved by categorising any pull resistors or resistor packs on the TAP nets. See *Section 4.3.3* for a guide on categorising passive devices. Please contact *support@xjtag.com* if you are still having issues.

#### • The JTAG Access colour scheme is stuck on

If a schematic sheet is saved with the JTAG access colours enabled and then not re-saved with the colours turned off, it is possible for the colour scheme to become stuck on. In this case, nets will need to be returned to their normal colours manually. Simply drag a box over a group of nets and right-click to set the colour and line width from the context menu.

- Schematic sheets appear to have unsaved changes after using the XJTAG DFT Assistant The plugin stores categorisations as device properties and modifies net colours/widths, so schematic sheets will show up as modified after the plugin is used. Discarding all changes will cause categorisation information to be lost, however it is recommended to save only when JTAG access colours are disabled (see above).
- All categorisations are removed after moving the Design Gateway project BSDL files and PDD files used for categorisation are stored in a hidden folder called XJTAG inside the project directory. If this folder is not moved with the project then unfortunately all categorisations will be lost. Make sure to copy this folder with the project if you wish to keep your categorisation information.

Any other issues relating to the XJTAG DFT Assistant, or if you would like to submit a bug or feature request, please contact **support@xjtag.com**.

## 7. Further reading

For more information on XJTAG's boundary scan technology, visit **www.xjtag.com**. For an extensive guide to Design For Test best-practices for boundary scan testing, visit: **www.xjtag.com/about-jtag/design-for-test-guidelines** 



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