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## Preface

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## INTRODUCTION

This chapter contains general information that will be useful to know before using the INIC Explorer. Topics discussed in this chapter include:

- [Document Layout](#)
- [Conventions Used in this Guide](#)
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- [Term Definitions](#)
- [Recommended Reading](#)
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## DOCUMENT LAYOUT

This user's guide describes how to use the INIC Explorer. The document is organized as follows:

- [Chapter 1, General Information](#) – This chapter provides information on the intended use of the product, system requirements, supported INICs, software installation, and preconditions to follow for proper product use.
- [Chapter 2, Introduction](#) – This chapter introduces the INIC Explorer. It provides a brief overview of features and describes an example system setup.
- [Chapter 3, Software Functionality](#) – This chapter gives an overview over the user interface and explains how to operate the INIC Explorer software.
- [Chapter 4, Trouble Shooting](#) – This chapter describes some common problems associated when running the INIC Explorer and the steps to follow to resolve those problems.
- [Chapter 5, Support](#) – This chapter explains the steps to perform a dump of the data memory.
- [Index](#)

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## CONVENTIONS USED IN THIS GUIDE

This user's guide uses the following documentation conventions:

Description	Represents	Examples
Bold characters	A dialog button	<b>Detect</b> button
Italic characters	Procedure	<i>Make a Dump</i>
Initial caps	An area in a window	Navigation Tree, Application Menu
	A page	Visualization

## ACRONYMS

This user's guide uses the following acronyms:

Acronym	Definition
DUT	Device Under Test
EHC	External Host Controller
GUI	Graphical User Interface
INIC	Intelligent Network Interface Controller
OTP	One Time Programmable memory
RAM	Random Access Memory
ROM	Read Only Memory
SCM	Socket Connection Manager

## TERM DEFINITIONS

This user's guide uses the following term definitions:

Term	Definition
Configuration String	The Configuration String covers values that influence the behavior of the OS81xxx.
Context area	The unit of the INIC Explorer Software that displays detail information.
Current values	Current values are presented in the Configuration String page after the Read button has been clicked.
Debug Header	The interface between the INIC target board (e.g., INIC Demo Board OS81050 or customer hardware) and the INIC Explorer Interface Box. This interface must match a dedicated pin assignment for a proper functionality with the INIC Explorer.
Device Under Test	Represents the customer hardware that contains an OS81xxx INIC for evaluation purposes.
Dump	Content of memory or register.
Factory default values	The property values in the initial state of the OS81xxx INIC.
Host PC	The PC that is connected to the INIC Explorer Interface Box.
INIC Explorer Interface Box	This is the hardware part of the INIC Explorer.
INIC Explorer Software	This is the software part of the INIC Explorer.
Patch memory	Memory that becomes initialized when starting the INIC.
RAM memory	Memory section that holds the Configuration String the OS81xxx is working with.

## RECOMMENDED READING

This user's guide describes how to use the INIC Explorer. Other useful documents are listed below.

- [1] INIC Hardware Data Sheet
- [2] INIC API User's Manual
- [3] INIC Flash Guide
- [4] INIC Programming Guide
- [5] Physical+ Interface Board User's Guide

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Revision A replaces the previous SMSC documents INIC Explorer User Manual and INIC Explorer Start-up Guide.

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## **Chapter 1. General Information**

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### **1.1 INTENDED USE**

INIC Explorer is intended to be used for developing, testing, or analyzing MOST<sup>®</sup> technology based multimedia products and systems by persons with experience in developing multimedia devices.

The operation of Microchip products is only admitted with original Microchip devices, e.g., provided power supply. Do not interfere in the product's original state, otherwise user safety, faultless operation, and electromagnetic compatibility is not guaranteed.

An open device that is connected to the INIC Explorer Interface Box may exceed the limits of electromagnetic interference. Do not operate mobile phones, wireless keyboards, or similar devices that transmit electromagnetic waves in a vicinity of about 50 cm.

### **1.2 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

- At the minimum: Windows XP
- Recommended: Windows<sup>®</sup> 7 or newer version

### **1.3 SUPPORTED INIC TYPES**

- OS81050/60
- OS81082/92
- OS81110
- OS81118, V1

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## 1.4 PRECONDITIONS

Use of the INIC Explorer assumes you have:

- Read the tool-related documents.
- Properly installed the software.
- Setup the DIP switch settings of the INIC Explorer Interface Box as shown below:

INIC	DIP Switch PID		
	2	1	0
OS81050	OFF	OFF	OFF
OS81060	OFF	OFF	ON
OS81082	ON	ON	ON
OS81092	OFF	ON	OFF
OS81110	ON	ON	OFF
OS81118			

DIP switches for Baud0 and Baud1 can remain OFF.

- Connected the INIC Explorer Interface Box to the Configuration/Debug Header. If you use your own target interface board, refer to the respective [INIC Hardware Data Sheet \[1\]](#) for the Configuration/Debug Header connection diagram.
- Properly connected the INIC Explorer Interface Box to your PC/laptop.
- Properly powered all devices.

## 1.5 INIC EXPLORER INTERFACE BOX STATUS LEDS

To get status information on the connection and the powering of the INIC Explorer Interface Box, refer to [Table 1-1](#). The 'Error' column indicates if the status information refers to a normal behavior or to an erroneous behavior.

**TABLE 1-1: INIC EXPLORER INTERFACE BOX STATUS LEDS**

Name	Color	Error	Status Information
Pwr	Green, illuminated	No	The INIC Explorer Interface Box is powered.
Conn	Yellow, illuminated	No	The connection between the INIC Explorer Interface Box and the PC/laptop is valid.
Com	Yellow, illuminated/ flickering	No	A command is received from the PC/laptop, e.g., during the flash process.
App	Red, shortly flickering	No	The INIC Explorer Interface Box was reset by pressing the reset knob.
	Red, illuminated	Yes	A connection error between the INIC Explorer Interface Box and the PC/laptop has been detected, e.g., there is no cable connected.
Ext. Rev	Red, illuminated	Yes	A connection error between the Configuration/Debug Header of the INIC Explorer Interface Box and the Configuration/Debug Header of the target application board has been detected, e.g., the connector was connected the wrong way. Note, the connection error is only indicated after the INIC Explorer Interface Box has been powered up or the reset knob on the INIC Explorer Interface Box has been pressed.

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## Chapter 2. Introduction

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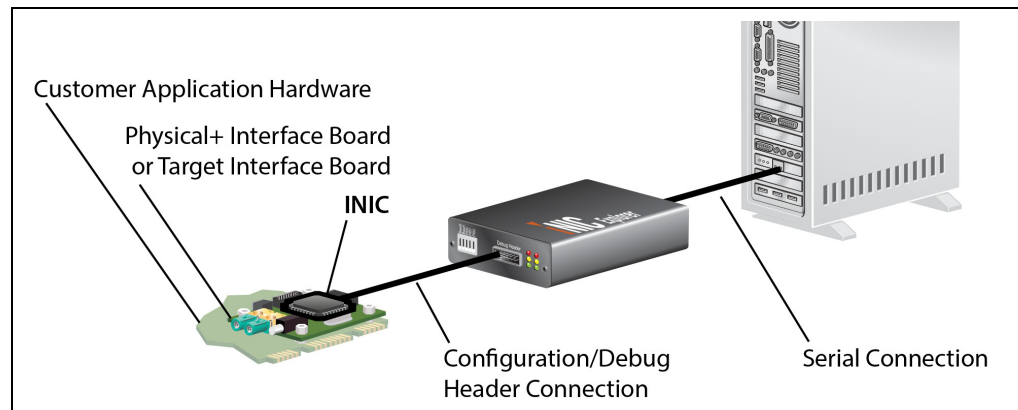
The INIC Explorer consists of the INIC Explorer Interface Box, which is the hardware, and the INIC Explorer Software (explained in [Chapter 3](#)).

The INIC Explorer is used to explore the INIC, which includes:

- Reading of properties and states
- Visualization of states and state changes at a particular time
- Visualization of ports, sockets, and connections
- Customization of the Configuration String (reading and writing)
- Dumping of the data memory

The INIC Explorer Interface Box serves as the interface between a customer application hardware with an OS81xxx and a connected PC that has the INIC Explorer Software installed, see [Figure 2-1](#). To be able to use the INIC Explorer and to operate the INIC, the INIC Explorer Interface Box must be connected to the Configuration/Debug Header mounted on the target interface board and to the COM port of your PC/laptop. A rough outline of an example system setup is depicted in [Figure 2-1](#).

**FIGURE 2-1: EXAMPLE SYSTEM SETUP – INIC EXPLORER**



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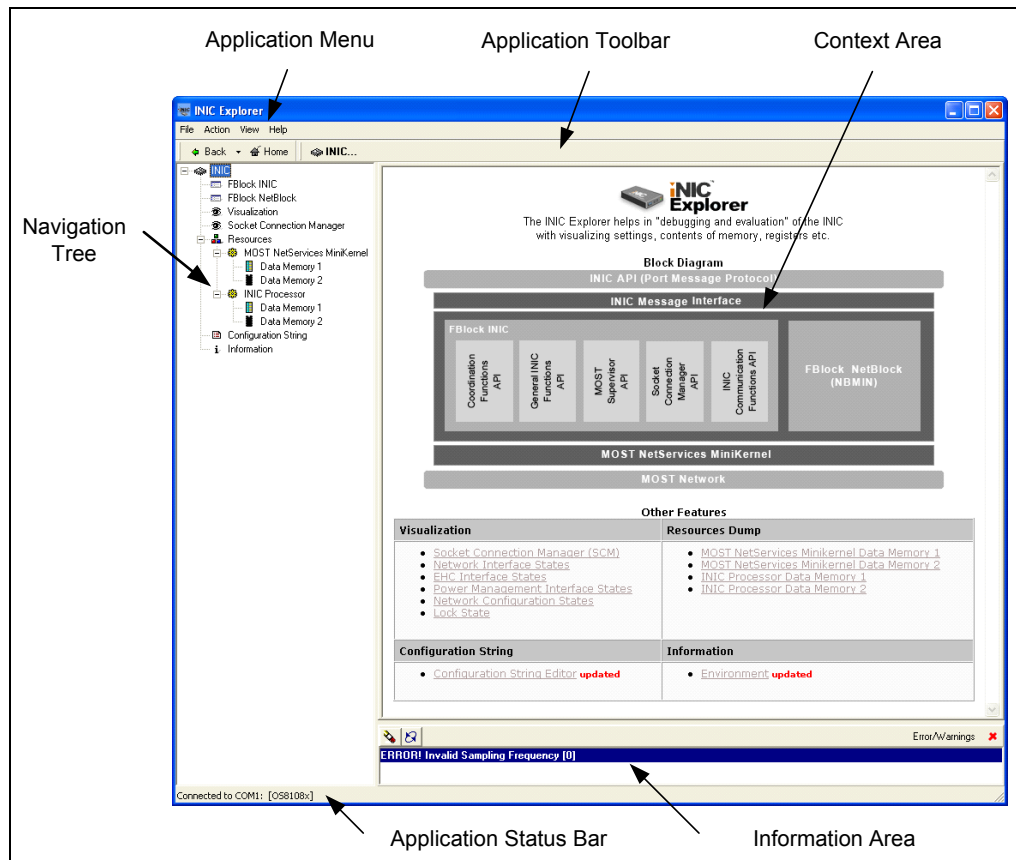
**Chapter 3. Software Functionality**

**Note:** All figures displaying a Graphical User Interface (GUI) are presenting an arbitrary snapshot. The contents of the snapshots depend on the OS81xxx to be analyzed or evaluated. This means even the Application Toolbar, the Navigation Tree, and the Context Area may differ from chip to chip.

**3.1 USER INTERFACE**

When starting the INIC Explorer Software, the application reads all necessary information during the startup process and visualizes them in the Graphical User Interface of the INIC Explorer Software, see Figure 3-1.

**FIGURE 3-1: INIC EXPLORER GUI**



The GUI allows easy navigation to the main software parts, including the:

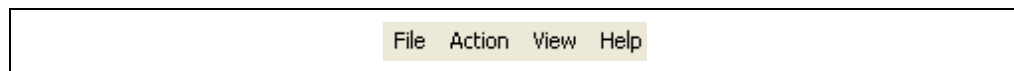
- [Application Menu](#)
- [Application Toolbar](#)
- [Context Area](#)
- [Information Area](#)
- [Application Status Bar](#)
- [Navigation Tree](#)

The window section size of the Navigation Tree and the Context Area can be customized by dragging the vertical divider bar to enlarge or shorten the respective area.

### 3.1.1 Application Menu

The Application Menu provides access to the main functions of the application.

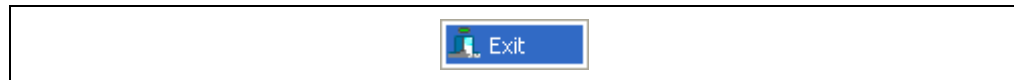
**FIGURE 3-2: APPLICATION MENU**



#### 3.1.1.1 FILE MENU

The File Menu provides an application exit.

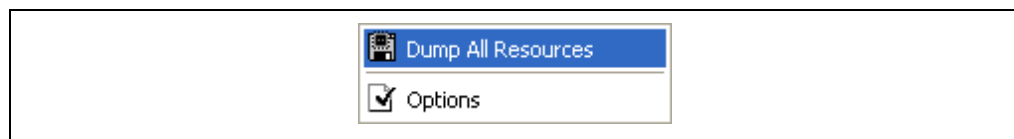
**FIGURE 3-3: FILE MENU**



#### 3.1.1.2 ACTION MENU

The Action Menu allows creating a dump. In addition, the connection can be modified.

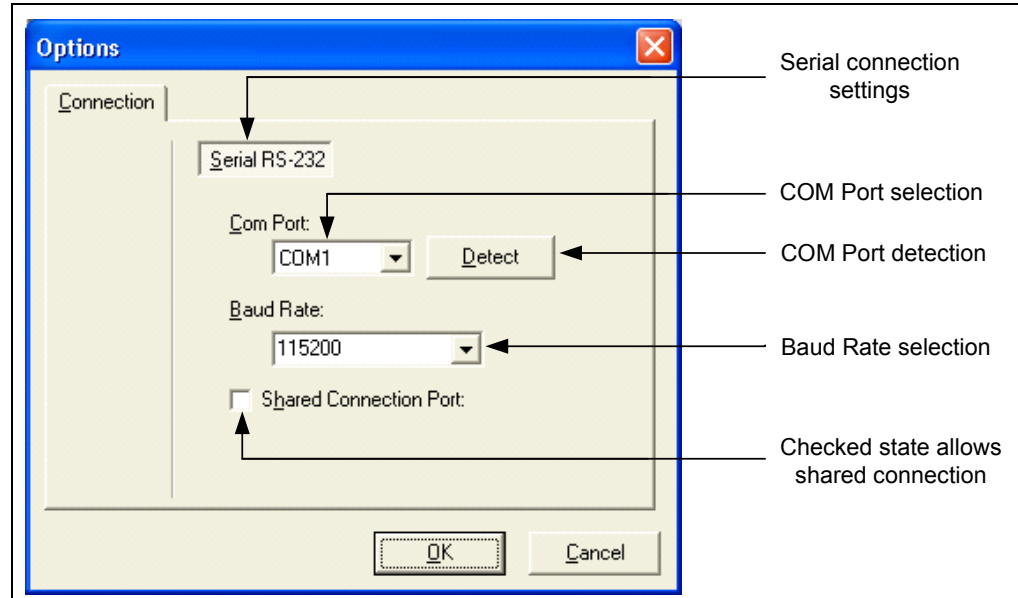
**FIGURE 3-4: ACTION MENU**



**TABLE 3-1: ACTION MENU**

Item	Description
Dump All Resources	When selecting this item, the application jumps to a page where a dump of all resources of the OS81xxx can be created. This item is useful in case support is needed. An exemplary description of the procedure <i>Make a Dump</i> can be found in <a href="#">Section 3.2.3</a> and in <a href="#">Section 5.2</a> .
Options	Selecting this item opens an additional window, see <a href="#">Figure 3-5</a> (default selection is Serial RS-232).

FIGURE 3-5: SERIAL SETTINGS



In this window the connection to the INIC Explorer Interface Box can be specified. It is possible to:

- Connect the PC and the INIC Explorer Interface Box (e.g., selecting the COM port)
- Detect existing COM port connections
- Share the connection

#### 3.1.1.2.1 Select COM Port

The COM port selection can be done at start-up or during runtime if it is desired to connect to another INIC Explorer. To change the COM port:

- Click the drop down menu in the COM port selection area to find a list of all connected COM ports, see [Figure 3-5](#).
- Select a COM port.
- Click OK.

The INIC Explorer Software reconnects to the selected COM port.

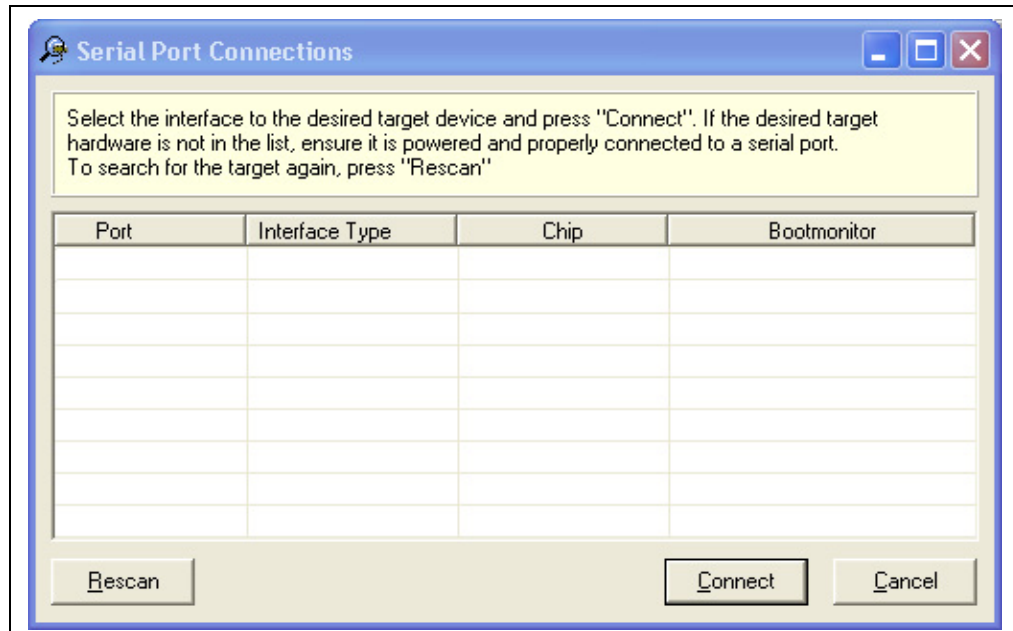
**Note:** Do not modify the Baud Rate that is set to 115200.

## 3.1.1.2.2 Detect COM Port Connections

- Click **Detect**.  
A dialog for COM port detection is opened.

If the INIC Explorer cannot find the default COM port (COM1) or the last one used, the following window appears.

**FIGURE 3-6: CONNECTION WINDOW – NO TARGET DEVICE DETECTED**

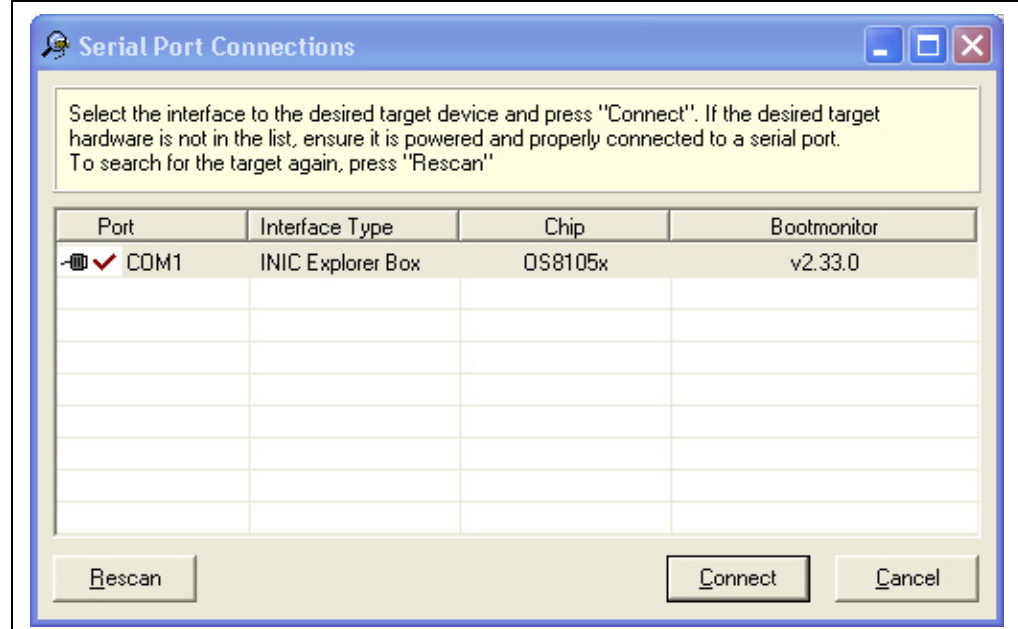


- Check, if everything is properly connected and powered (see [Chapter 4](#)).
- Click **Rescan**.  
This starts the search process.



If the INIC Explorer can connect to a COM port, the following window is shown.

**FIGURE 3-7: CONNECTION WINDOW – TARGET DEVICE DETECTED**



Information on the port, the target, the chip, and the boot-monitor are displayed.

- Select the COM port you want to use.
- Click **Connect**.

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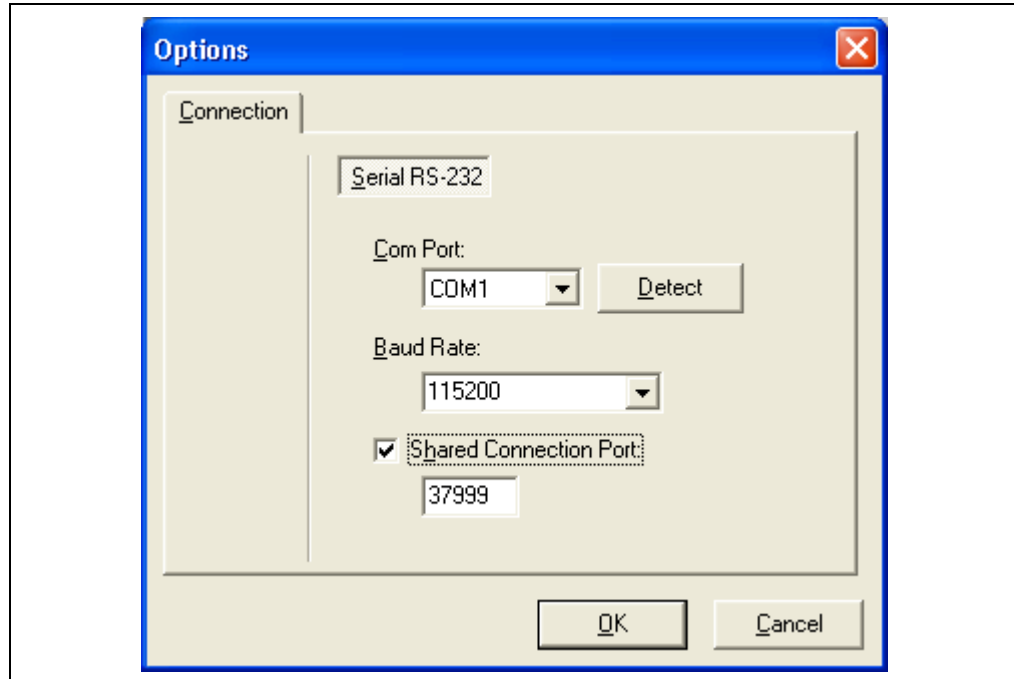
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## 3.1.1.2.3 Share the Connection

The INIC Explorer Software allows to share the connection port. This enables other users that have no DUT, to connect to the host PC and to view the connected OS81xxx via the INIC Explorer Interface Box.

- Check the check box for sharing the connection as depicted in [Figure 3-8](#).

**FIGURE 3-8: SHARING THE CONNECTION**



- Click **OK**.

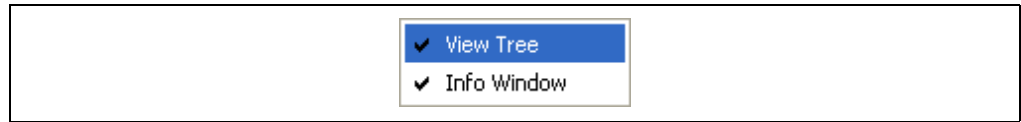
**Note:** The INIC Explorer Software must be closed and restarted in order to take over the modified settings.

By default the port is set to 37999.

## 3.1.1.3 VIEW MENU

The View Menu defines the appearance of the INIC Explorer Software user interface.

**FIGURE 3-9: VIEW MENU**



**TABLE 3-2: VIEW MENU**

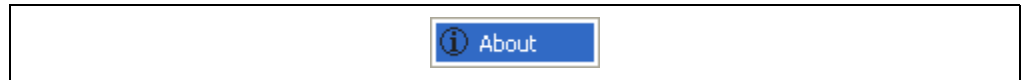
Item	State	Description
View Tree	Checked	The INIC Explorer Software user interface displays the Navigation Tree.
	Unchecked	The Navigation Tree is hidden.
Info Window	Checked	The INIC Explorer Software user interface displays the <a href="#">Information Area</a> .
	Unchecked	The <a href="#">Information Area</a> is hidden.

The respective setting is stored and valid after restart of the INIC Explorer Software.

## 3.1.1.4 HELP MENU

The Help Menu contains useful information regarding the application.

**FIGURE 3-10: HELP MENU**



- Click **About**.  
The About Box is opened. The box shows the logo of the product, its version and the connection of the INIC Explorer Software.

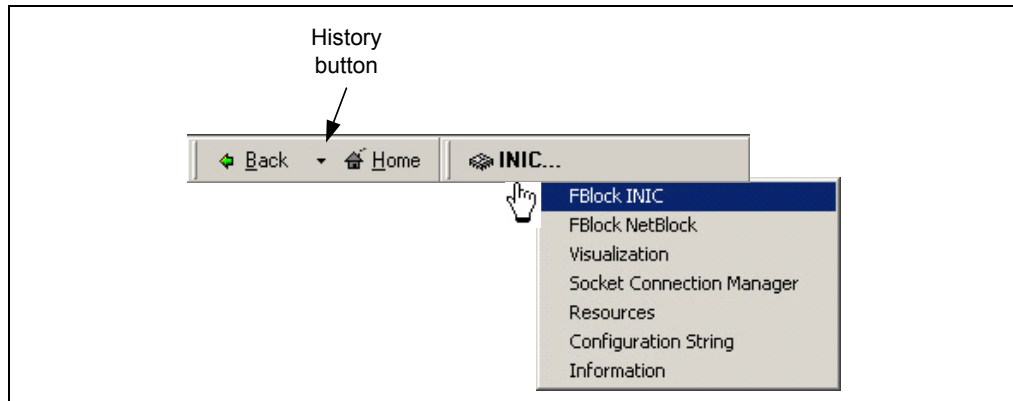
To close the About Box:

- Click inside the window.

## 3.1.2 Application Toolbar

The Application Toolbar provides buttons to display several pages of the application.

**FIGURE 3-11: TOOLBAR AFTER RESTART**



**TABLE 3-3: BUTTONS OF THE APPLICATION TOOLBAR**

Button	Description
	Click to return to the last page that has been viewed.
	Click to select a page from the history list.
	Click to revert to the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software.
	Click to customize the Application Toolbar for getting top-level access to the features shown in the sub-menu.

An example for a sub-menu is shown in [Figure 3-11](#). [Figure 3-12](#) shows an example for an extended Application Toolbar, modified with items that have been selected from a sub-menu.

**FIGURE 3-12: EXTENDED APPLICATION TOOLBAR**



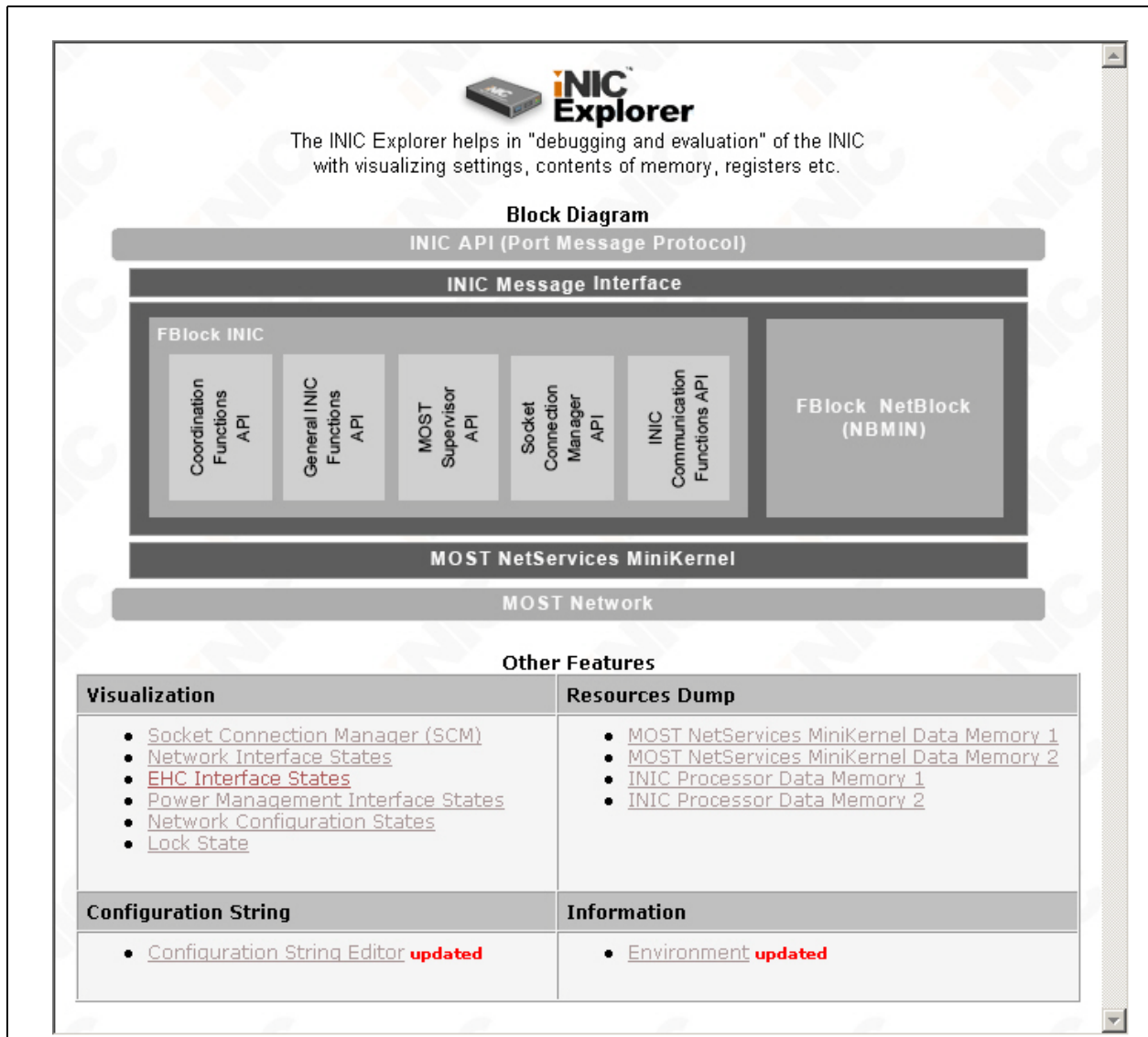
## 3.1.3 Context Area

The Context Area provides access to details of the current selected item. The item can be selected via the toolbar, the Navigation Tree, or partly via the Context Area itself.

There are two kinds of pages that are being shown in the [Context Area](#):

- Navigation pages<sup>1</sup> such as the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software or the different Resources pages. These pages incorporate a short description of the page at the top and hyperlinks to navigate to pages offering more detailed information. For example, [Figure 3-13](#) depicts the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software when an OS81050 INIC is evaluated. In addition, the Start page highlights new or updated functionalities about the INIC Explorer Software.

**FIGURE 3-13: START PAGE OF THE INIC EXPLORER SOFTWARE EXAMPLE**



Hover the mouse over the screen to see where hyperlinks are implemented.

1. The offered pages depend on the chip that is explored.

- Detail information pages<sup>1</sup> are for example the Visualization page, the FBlock INIC page, INIC Processor Data Memory pages, the SCM page, the Configuration String page, and the Information page. On these pages properties of the OS81xxx can be viewed or OS81xxx-related actions can be performed, such as writing a Configuration String or making a dump file. [Figure 3-14](#) depicts a page of the MOST NetServices MiniKernel when an OS81050 is evaluated.

**FIGURE 3-14: CONTEXT AREA LOW-LEVEL PAGE – MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL EXAMPLE**

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
00	E66F	FFFF	FFFF	001A	0061	FFFF	0001	FFFF	0000	0000
10	0000	0006	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000
20	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
30	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
40	0000	0000	1248	0000	009C	0020	1F00	0000	0C02	009C
50	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
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80	0040	0000	00C0	0010	0040	C2C0	0000	2000	0000	0100
90	0000	F7EC	8000	8000	3412	00C0	4226	0000	C084	C642
A0	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
B0	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
C0	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
D0	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911	0911
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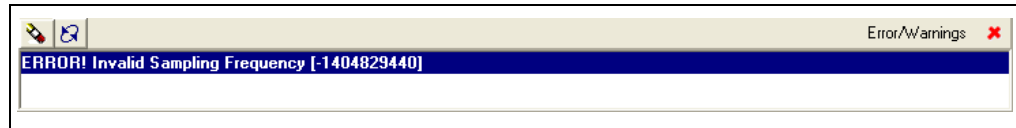
Exemplary descriptions of the procedures *Write a Configuration String* or *Make a Dump* can be found in [Section 3.2.1](#) or in [Section 5.2](#).

## 3.1.4 Information Area




During start-up, the INIC Explorer reads the values of the INIC. For some INIC properties the INIC Explorer checks the values and verifies whether they are reasonable or not. For example, if the configuration files do not match the attached INIC, an error may occur. Errors are shown in an Information Area located above the status bar. Besides errors, the Information Area can also show warnings or additional information. A warning can be displayed if the check for a value cannot be done in time, because the calculation of the value or the test itself requires additional time, as it can happen for the BIST check.

**Note:** If an error is shown, the files that are stored in the configuration folder must be checked. The files and the INIC firmware version must match! Double-click on Configuration Folder (see [Section 3.1.6.7](#)) to open a window and to copy the appropriate configuration files to the right place, i.e., in the Configuration Folder. If there are still errors shown, contact [support-ais-de@microchip.com](mailto:support-ais-de@microchip.com).

**FIGURE 3-15: INFORMATION AREA**



**TABLE 3-4: BUTTONS OF THE INFORMATION AREA**

Button	Description
	Click to clear the view.
	Click to refresh the view and read the values again. Normally the values are read during the start-up of the INIC Explorer. By clicking this button the INIC Explorer checks some INIC properties for correctness.
	Click to close the Information Area.

To re-open the Information Area:

- Go to the Application Menu.
- Click **View**.
- Click **Info Window** (see [Section 3.1.1.3](#)).

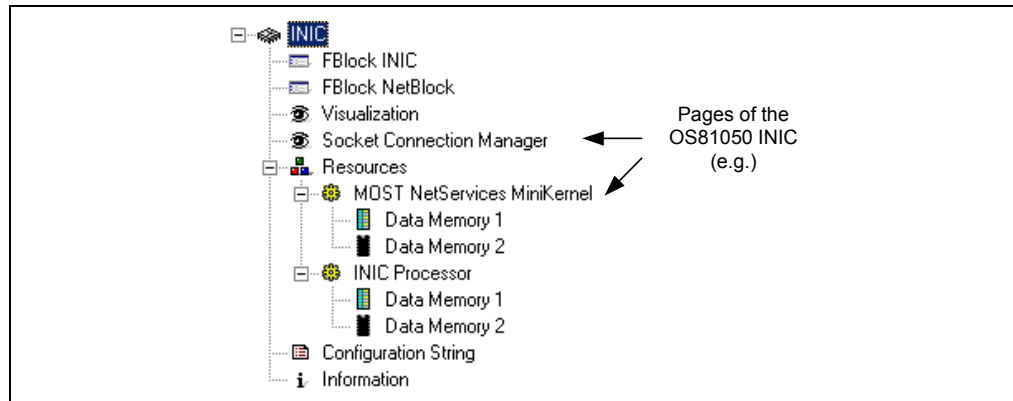
## 3.1.5 Application Status Bar

The Application Status Bar informs about the status of the INIC Explorer Software e.g., presents information about the serial settings and the connected chip.

## 3.1.6 Navigation Tree

The Navigation Tree shows the structure of the different areas available in the OS81xxx.

**FIGURE 3-16: NAVIGATION TREE**




- Click onto a desired page.  
This displays the content in the corresponding Context Area.
- Click the plus or minus sign in front of the items.  
This expands or collapses the Navigation Tree.

The Navigation Tree provides access to the following available pages:

- [FBlock INIC](#)
- [FBlock NetBlock](#)
- [Visualization](#)
- [Socket Connection Manager \(SCM\)](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Configuration String](#)
- [Information](#)



## 3.1.6.1 FBLOCK INIC

On the FBlock INIC page different API groups can be viewed. The API groups access the different services of the MOST NetServices MiniKernel. They are organized in sections. Each of them consists of several properties of the OS81xxx. All sections can be expanded or collapsed. Expanding a section makes the properties and their values visible. If the section is collapsed, only the section settings are visible. They influence the appearance of the value properties. On the bottom of the FBlock INIC page a **Home** button (  ) is located that allows to jump to the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software.

**FIGURE 3-17: FBLOCK INIC PAGE EXAMPLE**

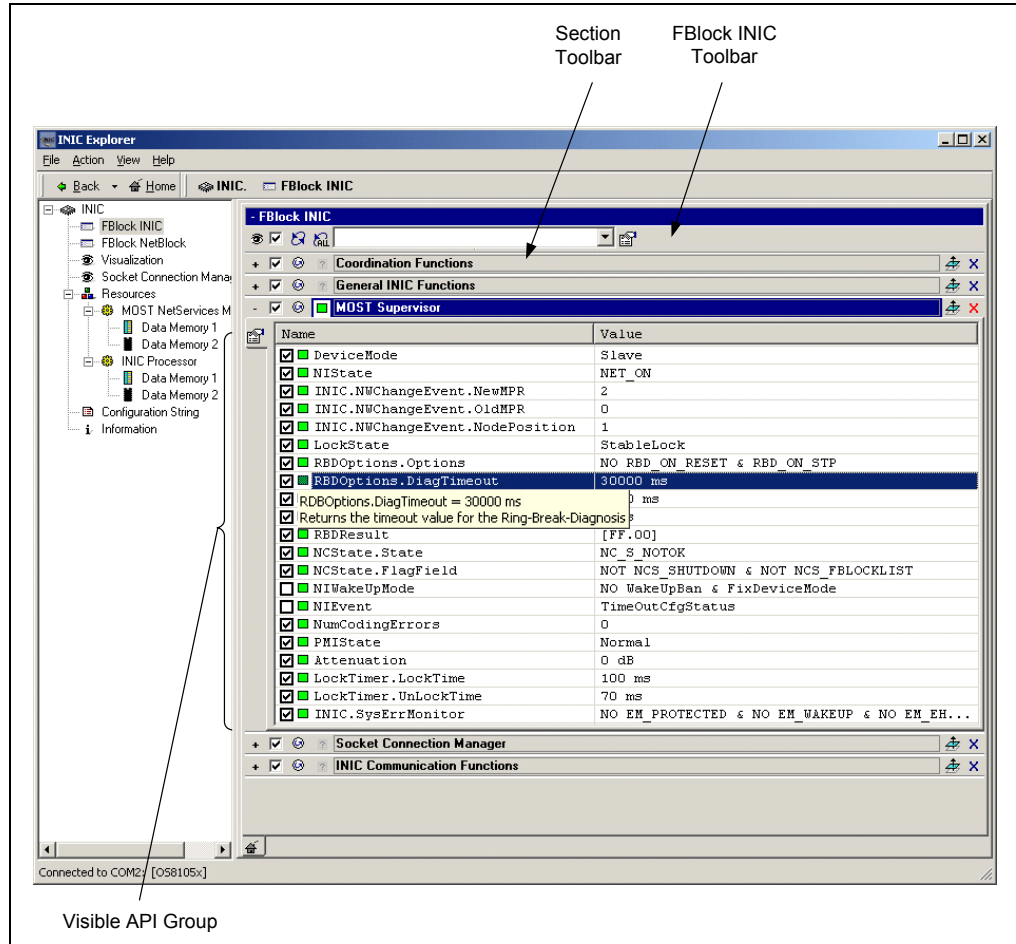




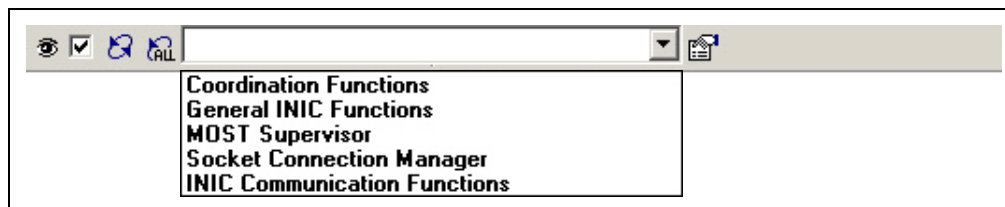
Figure 3-17 displays an example of an FBlock INIC page where the MOST Supervisor API group has been expanded.

A click onto a property displays the quick info for this item.

Each property inside a section comprises a check box and an indicator icon. Use the check box to reduce the properties that are updated when clicking  or  on this page. A green indicator shows that the property has changed its value during the last update.

## FBlock INIC Toolbar

**FIGURE 3-18: FBLOCK INIC TOOLBAR AND SELECTION LIST**



Let the mouse cursor hover over the buttons for a moment and a hint is displayed. In addition, the buttons are described in [Table 3-5](#).

**TABLE 3-5: VISUALIZATION TOOLBAR BUTTONS**

Button	Description
	This button toggles between two states. Click the button to show all sections below that are not hidden (e.g., MOST Supervisor in <a href="#">Figure 3-17</a> ). The properties in the sections will not be updated. Click a second time to collapse the sections. (Hidden means a section is closed by clicking its X button.)
	Checking this check box means to check all sections below that are not hidden for updating.
	Click this button to update all visible sections that are checked.
	Click this button to update all state values. <b>Note:</b> During the updating procedure the INIC application will be stopped and the target chip will be reset.
Drop-Down List Editor	Click the drop-down arrow to see all items of the page, even if they are hidden. Select the desired item from the list. Use this functionality if some sections are hidden.
	Click this button to view the section that is displayed in the selection list. Clicking this button even presents sections that are hidden.

## Section Toolbar












The name of the API group characterizes the respective section.

**FIGURE 3-19: SECTION TOOLBAR**



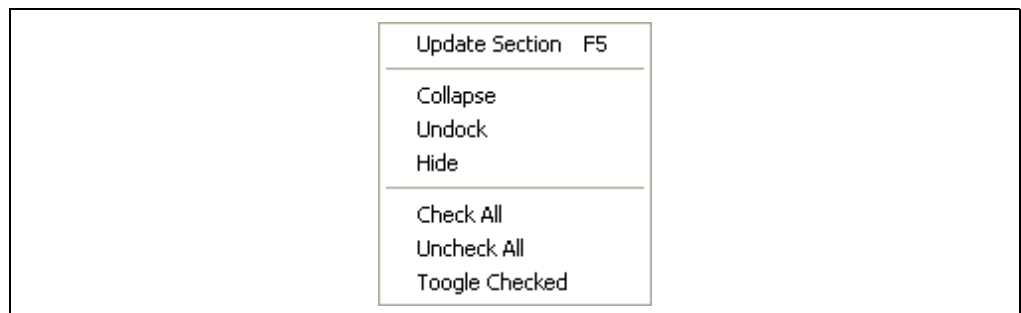
Let the mouse cursor hover over the buttons for a moment and a hint is displayed. In addition, the buttons are described in [Table 3-6](#).

**TABLE 3-6: SECTION TOOLBAR ON PAGE FBLOCK INIC**

Button	Description
 	Click + to expand the respective section so that details are presented. Expanding always performs an update of the section. Click - to collapse the respective section.
	Checking this check box means the section is marked for updating  via the FBlock INIC Toolbar. The state of this check box has no influence on the update button  of the respective section.
	Click this button to only update the respective section. Only the checked properties are updated. Pressing F5 also updates the section, see <a href="#">Figure 3-20</a> .
  	Gray: Nothing changed from the previous update. Green: At least one property changed from the previous update. Gray with a question mark: The section has not been updated until now.
	Click this button to undock the respective section. Sometimes it is useful to undock a section before switching to another page. Then interactions of properties can be observed on both pages, see <a href="#">Figure 3-22</a> . To dock a section again, drag the window beneath its original location in the Context Area.
	Click this button to hide the respective section. If the section should be displayed again, select the respective entry in the drop-down list editor of the Visualization Toolbar.

A right-click inside a visible section displays the corresponding context menu.

**FIGURE 3-20: CONTEXT MENU OF FBLOCK INIC**




The context menu provides the same functionality as shown in [Table 3-6](#), plus the item Toggle Checked. Select this item to invert the state of the check boxes inside a section.

## 3.1.6.2 FBLOCK NETBLOCK

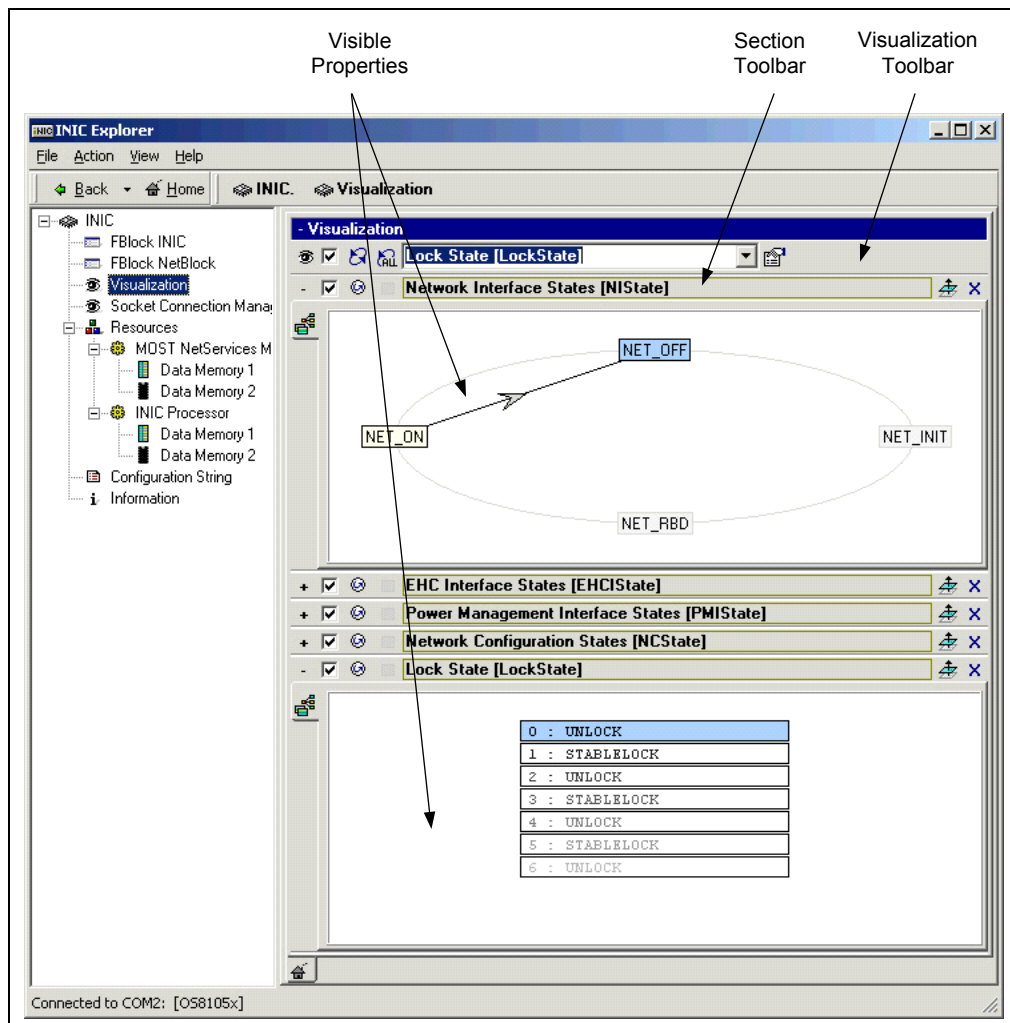
On the page FBlock NetBlock NBMIN all functions that affect a whole MOST device are viewed.

Operating on this page corresponds exactly to operating on page FBlock INIC. For getting the description of the buttons and features refer to [Section 3.1.6.1](#).

## 3.1.6.3 VISUALIZATION

The Visualization page presents the state of some properties of the OS81xxx. The property states are organized in sections that can be expanded or collapsed. Expanding a section makes the state and the state history visible. If the section is collapsed, only the section settings are visible. The section settings influence the appearance of the property states. Some states and the history of the properties are shown as circle, other states are shown as stack (see [Figure 3-21](#)). The exact name of a state is displayed in parenthesis. For more information about the states, refer to the respective OS81xxx INIC API User's Manual [2]. At the bottom of the Visualization page is a **Home** button (  ) located that allows to jump to the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software (see [Figure 3-1](#)).

**FIGURE 3-21: VISUALIZATION EXAMPLE**

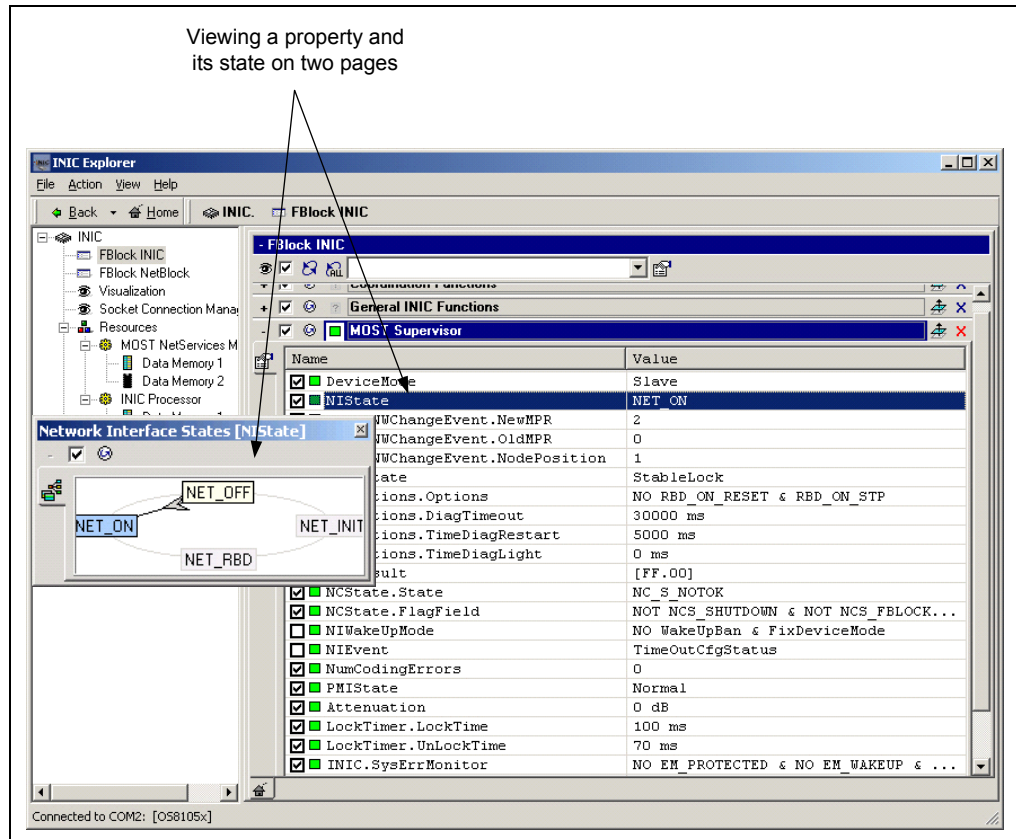


The circle section is able to show the values of two states: The current value is highlighted in light blue (e.g., NET\_OFF in Figure 3-21) and the previous value is connected via an arrow if they are different. Otherwise there is no arrow. The arrow points from the old state value to the current one.

The stack section is able to show eight values: The current value is highlighted in light blue at the top of the stack (e.g., UNLOCK in Figure 3-21), the previous values are displayed below.

The functionality of the Visualization Toolbar is described in Table 3-5. The buttons of the Section Toolbar are described in Table 3-6. (Note, the indicator icons are not supported on this page).

**FIGURE 3-22: VIEWING A PROPERTY ON TWO PAGES**




## 3.1.6.4 SOCKET CONNECTION MANAGER (SCM)

The SCM page displays the state of ports, sockets, and connections. It also shows information on bandwidth, handles, and the direction of sockets. The details shown on an SCM page are depending on specific settings done to the hardware or the application.

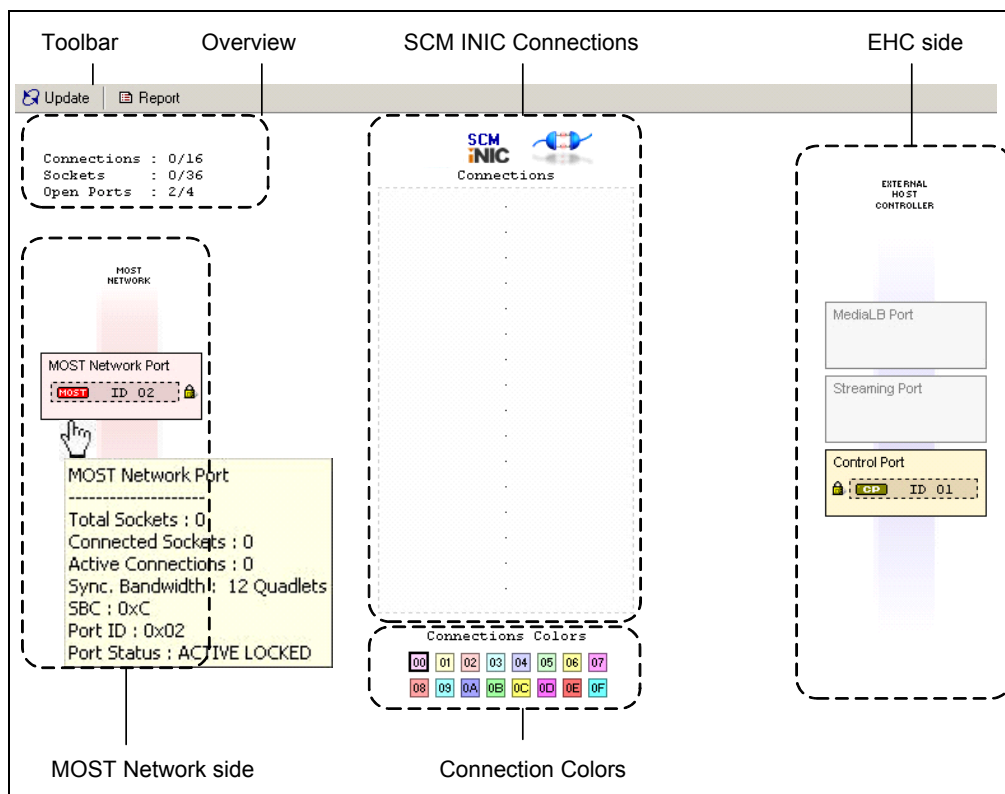
The SCM page (see [Figure 3-23](#)) consists of the following areas:

- [Toolbar](#)
- [Overview](#)
- [MOST Network Side](#)
- [SCM INIC Connections](#)
- [EHC Side](#)
- [Connection Colors](#)

Click the **Home** button (  ) at the bottom of the page to revert to the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software.

[Figure 3-23](#) depicts a simple snapshot of an SCM page. The MOST Network Port and the Control Port are opened, the MediaLB Port and the Streaming Port are closed. Opened ports are highlighted in a pre-defined color. Closed ports are colored gray. No SCM INIC Connections have been established.

**FIGURE 3-23: SCM PAGE EXAMPLE**



Let the mouse cursor hover over the areas or icons for a moment and a hint is displayed as shown to the left in [Figure 3-23](#).


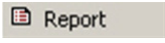
## 3.1.6.4.1 Toolbar

Figure 3-24 shows the SCM Toolbar; the buttons are described in Table 3-7.

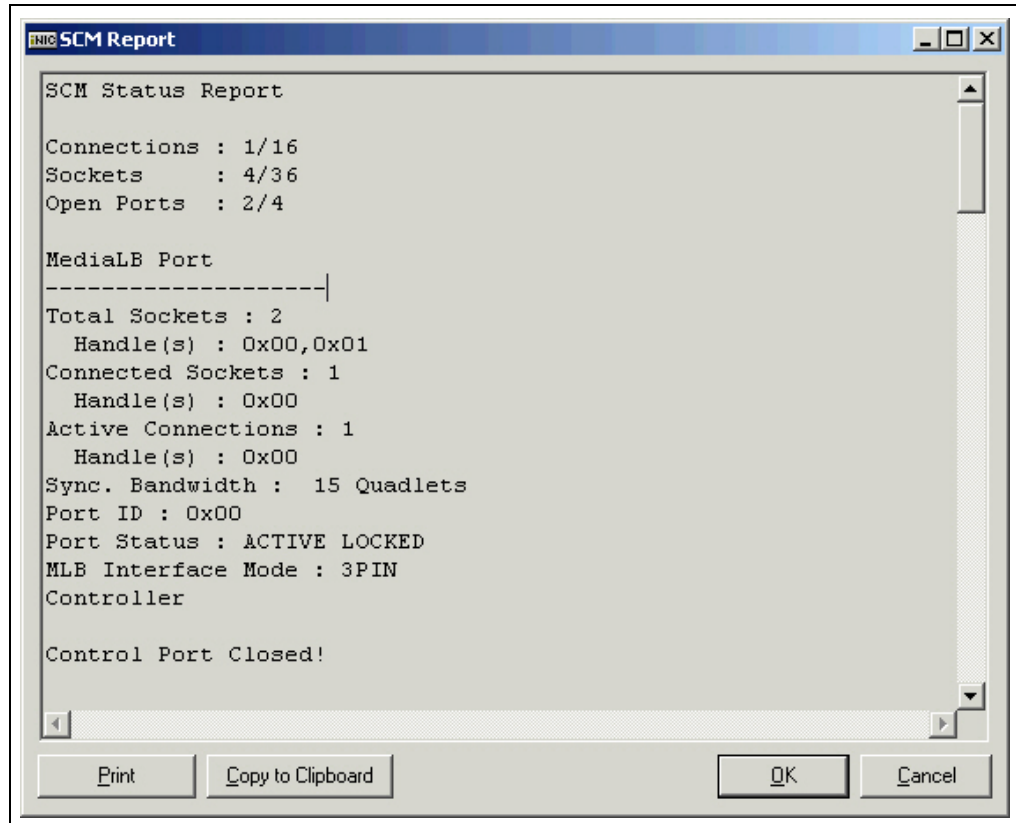
**FIGURE 3-24: SCM TOOLBAR**



**TABLE 3-7: BUTTONS OF THE SCM TOOLBAR**

Button	Description
	Click this button to update the SCM page.
	Click this button to collect the status information of the SCM page, usually presented in the hints. The information will be displayed in a separate window also for further processing ( <i>Print</i> and <i>Copy to Clipboard</i> ), see Figure 3-25.

**FIGURE 3-25: SCM REPORT**



A right click in the SCM report window opens a context menu, see Figure 3-26. The menu provides the same functionality as the Toolbar.

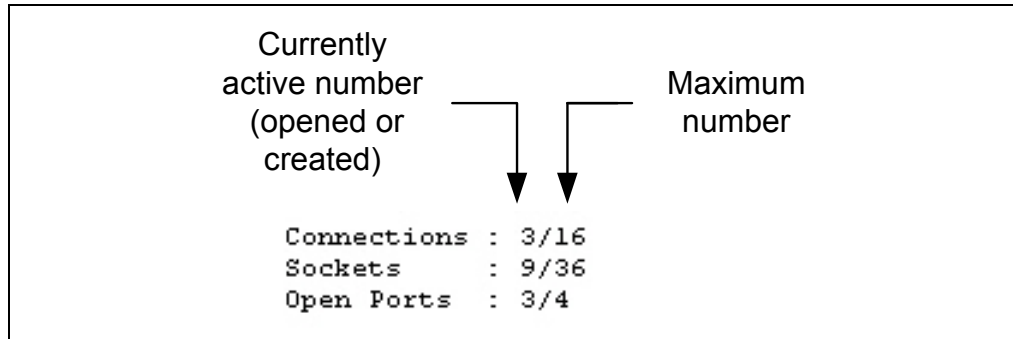
**FIGURE 3-26: SCM CONTEXT MENU**



## 3.1.6.4.2 Overview

The overview is located top left on the SCM page. As depicted in [Figure 3-27](#), the overview shows the current number of created connections, created sockets, and opened ports on the INIC. The maximum possible number of created connections, created sockets and opened ports is displayed behind the slash. The maximum number depends on the OS81xxx. [Figure 3-27](#) depicts an example for an OS81050 INIC.

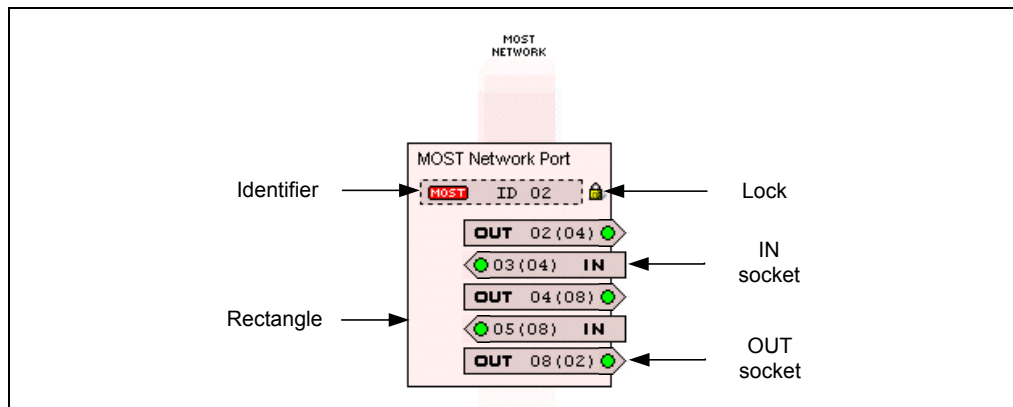
**FIGURE 3-27: OVERVIEW**



## 3.1.6.4.3 MOST Network Side

The MOST Network Port provides an interface to the MOST network. The corresponding MOST network side is located left hand on the SCM page.

**FIGURE 3-28: MOST NETWORK PORT**



The MOST Network Port is represented by a rectangle, highlighted in a specific color. Inside the rectangle an identifier shows the specific ID (02) and the red identifying symbol of the MOST Network Port. To the right of the identifier a lock is positioned. It symbolizes that the state of the port cannot be modified. If sockets have been created for the MOST Network Port they are displayed below the identifier.

[Figure 3-28](#) depicts a MOST Network Port with five sockets. [Figure 3-23](#) depicts a MOST Network Port without sockets. The rectangle automatically enlarges or shortens according to the number of sockets.

There are two kinds of sockets: IN sockets and OUT sockets. The display of sockets is described in section [Section 3.1.6.4.4](#).

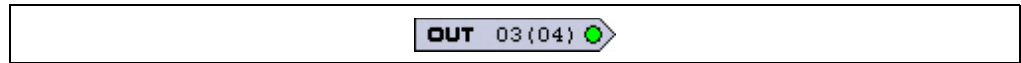


## 3.1.6.4.4 Socket Display

**Note:** If an INIC socket connection is established, a socket of direction IN always points into the INIC and a socket of direction OUT always points out of the INIC.

Figure 3-29 depicts the symbol of an OUT socket, highlighted in the specific color of the MediaLB Port.

**FIGURE 3-29: NOT CONNECTED OUT SOCKET**



The first number inside a socket symbol represents the socket handle. The number in parenthesis shows the bandwidth of the socket. If a socket is not yet connected, the socket kind (IN or OUT) is also shown inside the socket symbol (e.g., on the MOST network side and on the EHC side). If a socket is connected to another socket (displayed in the SCM INIC Connection) an identifier shows to which port the socket belongs to. In addition, a colored circle informs for which data type the socket has been configured.

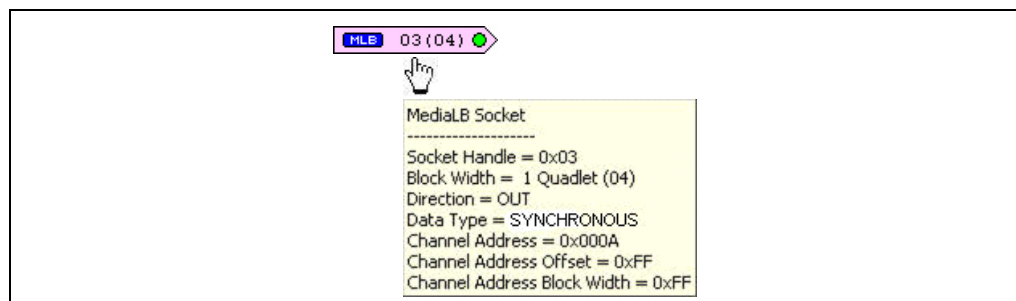
**TABLE 3-8: DATA TYPE/COLOR ASSIGNMENT**

Data Type	Color Assignment
Synchronous	Green
Control	Blue
Packet	Golden
Isochronous	Brown

The green circle in Figure 3-29 indicates the OUT socket has been configured to transport synchronous data.

Figure 3-30 depicts the same OUT socket as shown in Figure 3-29, but this time the MediaLB socket is connected.

**FIGURE 3-30: CONNECTED OUT SOCKET WITH QUICK INFO**

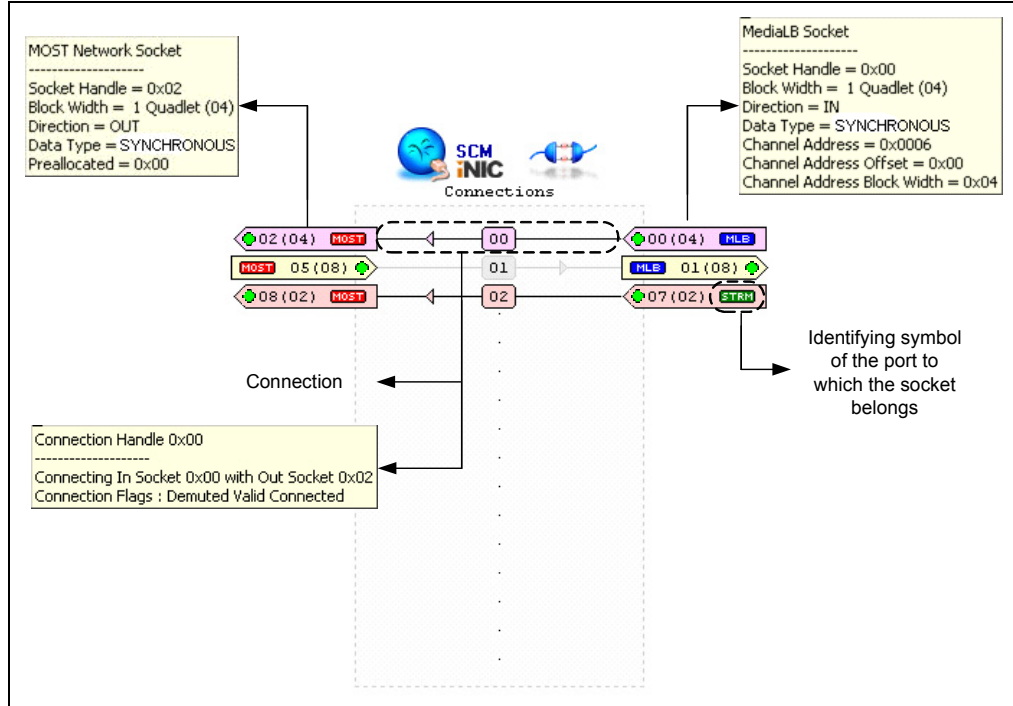


Let the mouse cursor hover over the socket for a moment to display additional information on it, see Figure 3-30.

## 3.1.6.4.5 SCM INIC Connections

The central part in the middle of the SCM page depicts the SCM INIC Connection Area. The area displays the connections between the MOST network and the EHC. As shown in [Figure 3-31](#) there are three connections existing.

**FIGURE 3-31: SCM INIC CONNECTIONS**



Sockets to the MOST network are depicted left hand in the SCM INIC Connections, sockets to the EHC are shown to the right. A label inside the socket symbol informs to which port the socket belongs to (e.g., MLB belongs to the MediaLB Port). Connections between sockets from MOST network side to EHC side and vice versa are specified by a connection label. Connected sockets and their identifying connection label are highlighted in the same color. These colors are predefined in the Connection Colors Area below the SCM INIC Connections Area (see [Section 3.1.6.4.7](#)). Muted connections are gray-colored. In addition, a triangle shows the direction of the connection. A dashed line indicates a connection that reports INIC.SCError() to its connection handle, i.e., the connection was rendered invalid, but is still existing, see [Figure 3-32](#). Also the MOST socket is dashed, signaling that there is a detected problem with the involved MOST socket.

**FIGURE 3-32: DISABLED CONNECTION**



Let the mouse cursor hover over the areas or icons for a moment to display additional information.

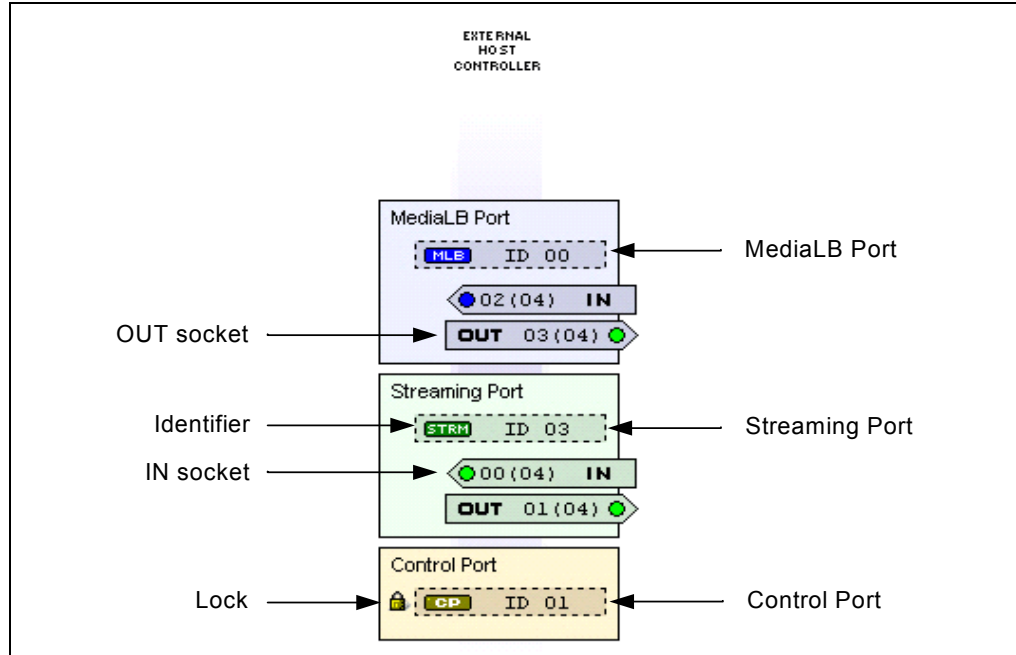
## 3.1.6.4.6 EHC Side

The EHC provides a MediaLB Port, a Streaming Port, and a Control Port, each represented by a rectangle and highlighted in a specific color. The corresponding EHC side is located right hand on the SCM page.

The OS81xxx can be configured to automatically open the MediaLB Port or the Control Port at chip start-up. Corresponding to these settings, the ports are presented active or inactive. [Figure 3-33](#) shows a configuration example in which the MediaLB Port is automatically opened at chip start-up, while the Control Port is locked.

An inactive port is gray-colored.

**FIGURE 3-33: EHC SIDE**



Each port has its own identifier (e.g., ID 00 for MediaLB) and its identifying label (e.g., MLB).

As shown in [Figure 3-33](#), the Control Port has a lock to the left of its identifier. The lock symbolizes that the state of the port cannot be modified.

If sockets have been created for a port, they are displayed below the identifier.

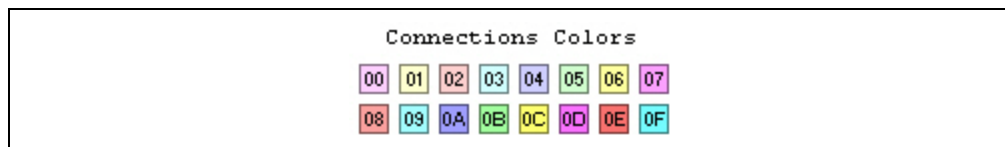
[Figure 3-33](#) depicts a MediaLB Port with two sockets and a Streaming Port with two sockets. There are two kinds of sockets: IN sockets and OUT sockets. The display of sockets is described in [Section 3.1.6.4.4](#).

The rectangles automatically enlarge or shorten according to the number of sockets.

### 3.1.6.4.7 Connection Colors

The Connection Colors Area is positioned below the SCM INIC Connections Area. It provides information about the maximum number of possible connections and the color in which the connections are displayed in the SCM INIC Connections Area. The maximum number of connections depends on the firmware version of the OS81xxx. By default a specific color is predefined for each connection.

**FIGURE 3-34: CONNECTION COLORS**



The color in which a connection is displayed can be modified in the Connection Colors Area.

- Click on the connection number.
- Change the color as desired.

### 3.1.6.5 RESOURCES

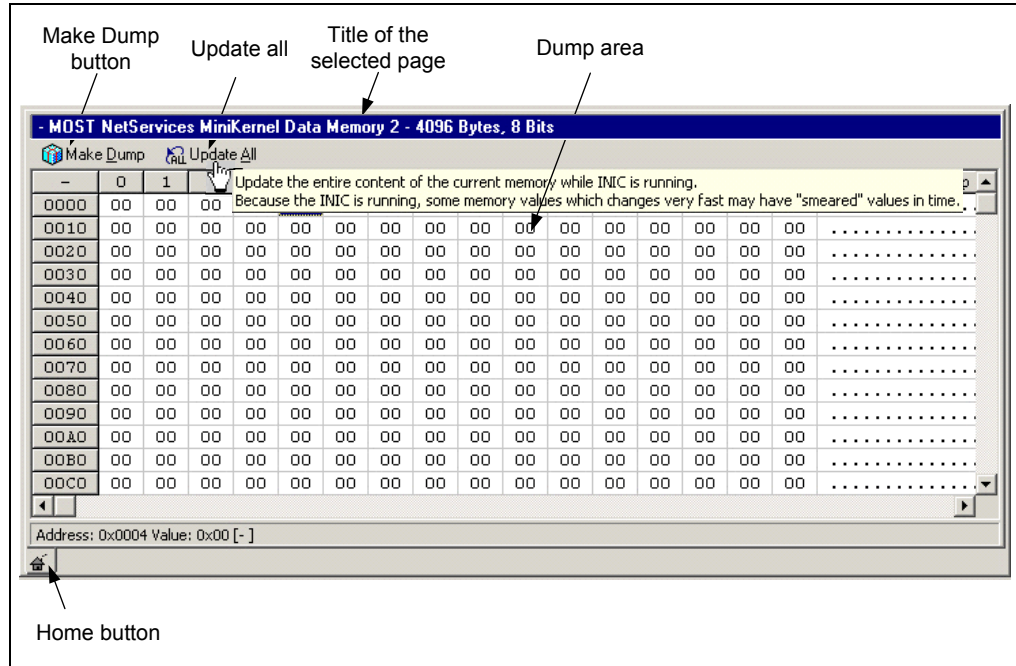
The Resources page has sub pages. In order to display them, expand the Navigation Tree as shown in [Figure 3-16](#). The sub pages depend on the explored OS81xxx.

**TABLE 3-9: RESOURCES**

Page	Content in the Content Area and Actions
MOST NetServices MiniKernel	This page presents MOST NetServices MiniKernel related information and hyperlinks to navigate to the sub pages.
MOST NetServices MiniKernel - Data Memory 1	This item presents the first page of the MOST NetServices MiniKernel. The content can be stored by making a dump.
MOST NetServices MiniKernel - Data Memory 2	This item presents the second page of the MOST NetServices MiniKernel. The content can be stored by making a dump.
INIC Processor	This page presents INIC Processor related information and hyperlinks to navigate to the sub pages.
INIC Processor - Data Memory 1	This item presents the first page of the INIC Processor. The content can be stored by making a dump.
INIC Processor - Data Memory 2	This item presents the second page of the INIC Processor. The content can be stored by making a dump.




As an example, the MOST NetServices MiniKernel Data Memory 2 of an OS81050 INIC is depicted in [Figure 3-35](#). The respective content is read and shown ([Figure 5-4](#)) while making a dump.

**FIGURE 3-35: MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL DATA MEMORY 2**



Each page offers three buttons:

**TABLE 3-10: TOOLBAR BUTTONS**

Button	Description
	Click this button in order to create a dump of the currently selected page. The procedure is similar as described in <a href="#">Section 5.2</a> . <b>Note:</b> During this operation the OS81xxx will be reset.
	Click this button in order to update the current Data Memory page. Because the INIC is running while updating the values, it can happen that the displayed values may not reflect the current data.
	Click this button to revert to the Start page of the INIC Explorer Software.

## 3.1.6.6 CONFIGURATION STRING

The default values of some OS81xxx properties are stored in the Configuration String. These properties can be configured—written and read—with the INIC Explorer Software.

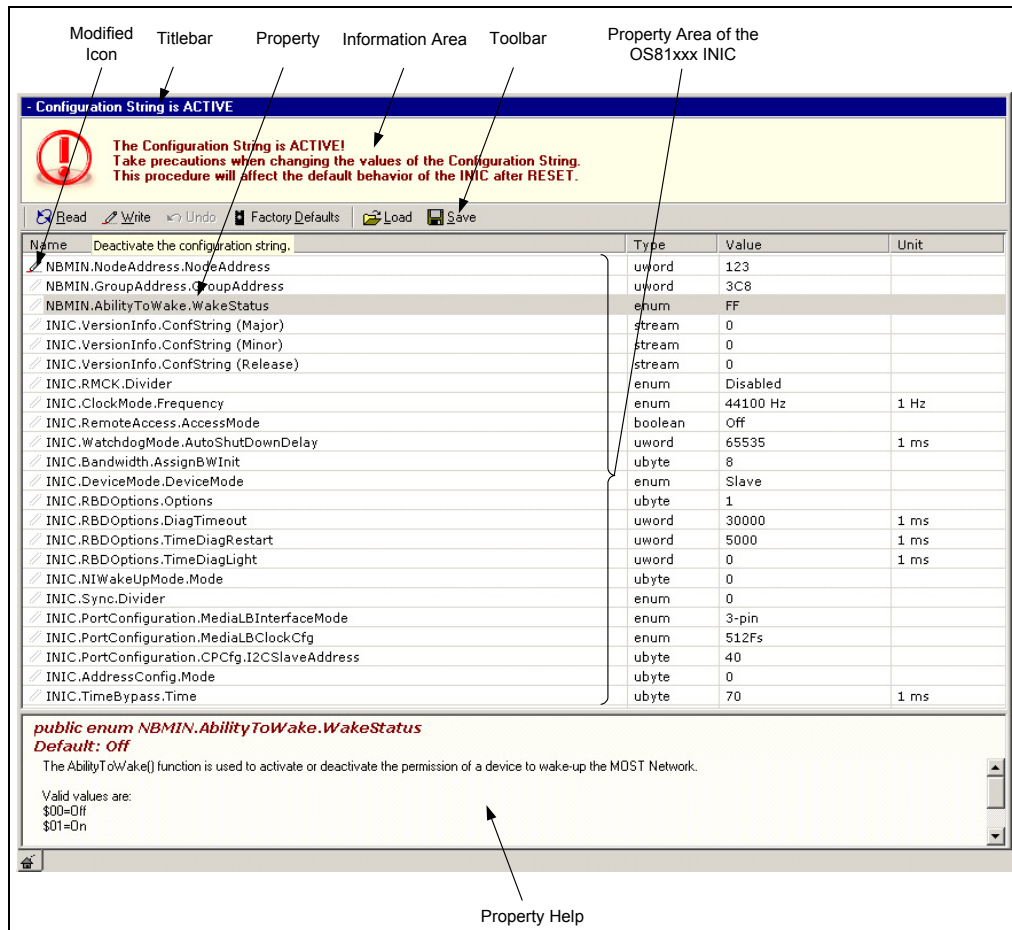
- Click Configuration String in the Navigation Tree. The current values of the Configuration String properties are displayed.

Writing the Configuration String differs for flash-based INICs and ROM/OTP-based INICs:

- The flash-based INIC (e.g., OS81110) allows changing the Configuration String for several times. For information on how to program the respective INIC Configuration String, refer to the INIC Flash Guide [3]. The values of the properties can be edited and even modified and written to the flash-based OS81xxx, see [Configuration String Toolbar for Flash-based INICs](#).
- The ROM/OTP-based INIC (e.g., OS81092) holds the Configuration String in OTP. OTP memory is divided into two sections, allowing configuration settings to be written **only twice**. Programming the Configuration String is explained in the OS81xxx Programming Guide [4]. For the corresponding Configuration String Toolbar refer to the [Configuration String Toolbar for ROM/OTP-based INICs](#).

Figure 3-36 depicts an arbitrary snapshot of the Configuration String page. (In addition, the NodeAddress was modified to 123.)

**FIGURE 3-36: CONFIGURATION STRING PAGE EXAMPLE**



The Configuration String page consists of a:

- [Configuration String Title Bar](#),
- [Configuration String Toolbar for Flash-based INICs](#), or
- [Configuration String Toolbar for ROM/OTP-based INICs](#),
- [Property Area](#), and
- [Property Help](#).

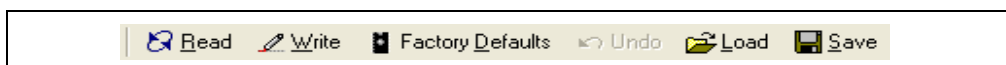
## Configuration String Title Bar

The Configuration String Title Bar shows the current state of the Configuration String. Below the title bar is an Information Area that provides hints that should be taken into account when changing the Configuration String.

## Configuration String Toolbar for Flash-based INICs

The Configuration String Toolbar provides access to the functionality required to operate the Configuration String. The state of the Configuration String (active, inactive, or invalid) influences the appearance of the first button in the Toolbar.

**FIGURE 3-37: CONFIGURATION STRING TOOLBAR FOR FLASH-BASED INICS**



To find out the function of a button, let the mouse cursor hover over the button for a moment and a hint will be displayed. If a button has a keyboard shortcut, this will be displayed as well.

[Table 3-11](#) describes the buttons of the toolbar.

**TABLE 3-11: CONFIGURATION STRING TOOLBAR FOR FLASH-BASED INICS**

Button	Description	Note
Read	Click this button to read and to display the current values that are stored in the Configuration String of the OS81xxx.	
Write	Click this button to write modified values to the OS81xxx. This item is only enabled if a property value is modified. It also updates the display of the Configuration String page after writing.	
Factory Defaults	Click this button to revert to the factory default values.	<a href="#">Note 1</a>
Undo	Click this button to revert to the Configuration String that was read before the last <i>write</i> action. Afterwards this Configuration String is written to the OS81xxx. This item is only enabled if a Configuration String has been written to the OS81xxx.	
Load	Click this button to load a Configuration File. A window opens. Select the desired file. If necessary adapt the file type. When you are loading a file with a different variant or version of the INIC you have to check all properties in the INIC Explorer afterwards.	<a href="#">Note 1</a>
Save	Click this button to save the currently displayed property values into a file. A window opens. Specify the path, file type, and a friendly name as desired. Adjustable file types are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• *.csi: Selected as default, can be viewed in an editor and reloaded in the INIC Explorer.</li> <li>• *.dmp': Select this file type if you need help from support. The file cannot be reloaded.</li> </ul>	

**Note 1:** Values must be written into the INIC by clicking the **Write** button.

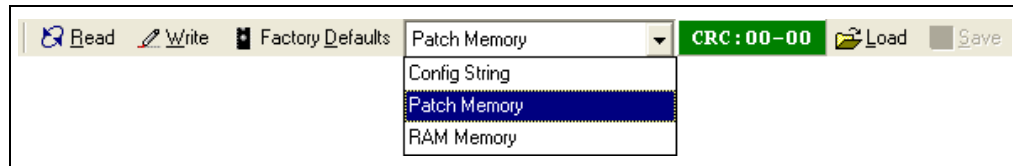
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A typical operation with viewing, modifying, and writing a Configuration String is described in [Section 3.2.1](#).

## Configuration String Toolbar for ROM/OTP-based INICs

The Configuration String Toolbar provides access to the functionality required when operating the Configuration String via the Configuration String editor. The editor allows switching between the Configuration String programmed in the OTP memory, a Patch Memory, and the RAM Memory that holds the Configuration String currently used.

**FIGURE 3-38: CONFIGURATION STRING TOOLBAR FOR ROM/OTP-BASED INICS**



To find out the functionality of a button, let the mouse cursor hover over the button for a moment and a hint will be displayed. If a button has a keyboard shortcut, this will be displayed as well.

[Table 3-12](#) on the next page describes the buttons of the toolbar.

**TABLE 3-12: CONFIGURATION STRING TOOLBAR FOR ROM/OTP-BASED INICS**

Button	Description	Note
Read	Click this button to read and display the current values that are stored in the Configuration String of the OS81xxx.	Note 1
Write	Click this button to write modified values to the OS81xxx. Write is not available if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Config String is selected and the Configuration String has been written twice. In addition, a hint is presented above the toolbar.</li> <li>• RAM Memory is selected.</li> </ul> Write is only enabled if a property value is modified. It also updates the display of the Configuration String page after writing.	
Factory Defaults	Click this button to revert to the original factory default values.	Note 1
Config String	Shows the current content of the Configuration String located in the OTP memory. If the OTP memory isn't initialized yet, factory default values will be displayed. The Information Area above this toolbar informs how often the Configuration String can be written to the OS81xxx. In case the Configuration String has been already written twice, patching is still possible. Select <i>Config String</i> to program the Configuration String of the OS81xxx. It is possible to read and to write values (depending on how often the Configuration String has been programmed and written into the OTP memory).	Note 2
Patch Memory	Shows a memory section that becomes initialized when starting the OS81xxx and that can be used at runtime. If a wrong CRC is detected, the INIC Explorer automatically applies factory default values. It is possible to modify each entry of the Configuration String at runtime even without programming the OTP memory. The values are valid as long as the OS81xxx is connected to voltage. After disconnecting the OS81xxx from power and subsequently reconnecting to power the values have to be modified again. Select 'Patch Memory' to modify the Configuration String at runtime e.g., during the development process without programming the OTP memory. It is possible to read and to write values.	Note 2



**TABLE 3-12: CONFIGURATION STRING TOOLBAR FOR ROM/OTP-BASED INICS**

Button	Description	Note
RAM Memory (source)	Shows the Configuration String the OS81xxx is working with. The information which Configuration String is loaded is shown in brackets. Sources can be OTP1, OTP2, Patch, or chip default values. It is only possible to read values.	Note 2
CRC	Shows whether the calculated CRC matches the CRC on OS81xxx. Green: Calculated CRC matches the CRC on OS81xxx. Red: Calculated CRC does not match the CRC on OS81xxx.	
Load	Click this button to load a Configuration File. A window opens. Select the desired file. If necessary adapt the file type. <b>Note:</b> When you are loading a file with a different variant or version of the INIC, you have to check all properties in the INIC Explorer afterwards.	Note 1
Save	Click this button to save the currently displayed property values into a file. A window opens. Specify the path, file type, and a friendly name as desired. Adjustable file types are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• *.csi: Selected as default, can be viewed in an editor and reloaded in the INIC Explorer.</li> <li>• *.dmp: Select this file type if you need help from support. The file cannot be reloaded.</li> </ul>	Note 3

**Note 1:** Values must be written into the INIC by clicking the **Write** button.

- 2:** If the OS81xxx is connected to voltage, it is checked during start-up whether the two sections of the OTP memory are initialized or not. If both sections are not yet initialized, chip default values are taken and copied to the RAM Memory. If both sections are programmed, OTP2 is taken, otherwise OTP1 (i.e., it is possible to program OTP memory once more). If a Patch Memory is programmed, the Patch Memory is taken and copied to the RAM Memory i.e., overwrites the OTP Configuration String. The Patch Memory is valid as long as the OS81xxx is connected to voltage i.e., switching back to an OTP memory section is not possible during runtime.
- 3:** It is recommended to not use \*.csi files built with a different version of INIC. Due to the possibility that Configuration String properties may change from one version to another version (e.g., changes to the names, visibility, etc.), \*.csi files should be only used in combination with the version of the INIC for which they have been created. Using \*.csi files with different versions of INIC may lead to unpredictable results.

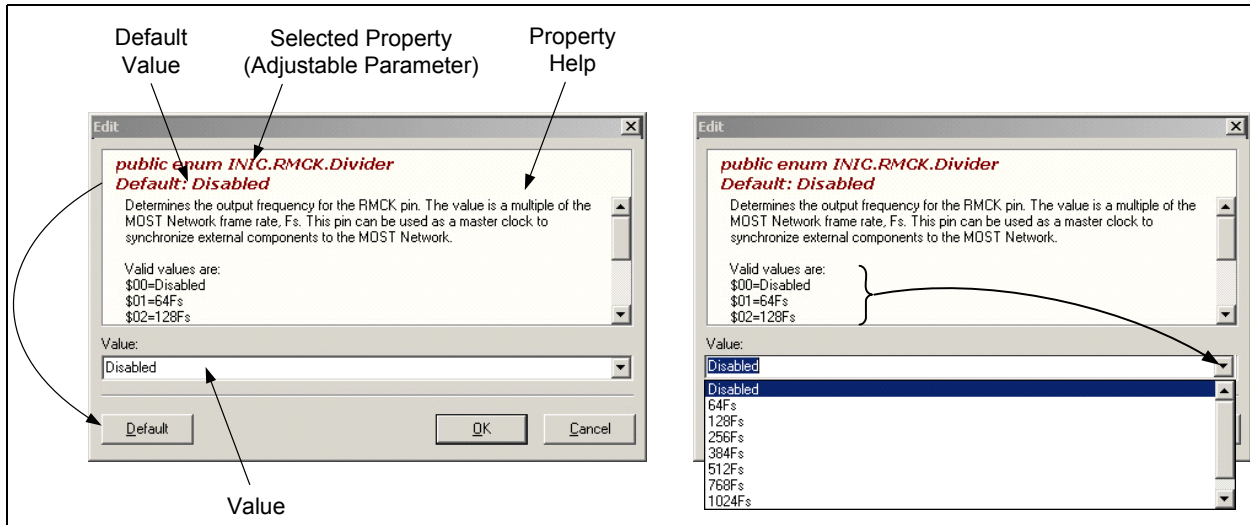
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## Property Area

The properties of the OS81xxx Configuration String can be configured. Per property the name, its type, the value, and if available the unit are displayed.

Double-click a property e.g., the RMCK property. Alternatively use the cursors and press the Enter key. An Edit window opens:

**FIGURE 3-39: CONFIGURATION STRING EDIT WINDOW**



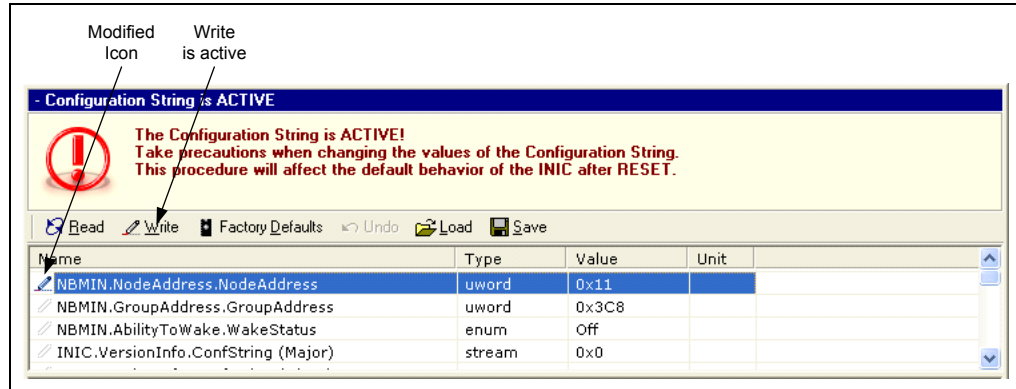
The Edit Window consists of the Property Help, the input field and buttons. The Property Help shows information including:

- The property
- The factory default value of this property
- A short description of the property
- Valid values or a range of valid values

To select the default value, click **Default** as shown left hand in [Figure 3-39](#). To select a valid value from the Property Help, click the drop down button as shown right hand in [Figure 3-39](#) and select a value. If the selected property is without a predefined value, enter a value.

Click **OK** to accept the change and close the Edit Window. Click **Cancel** to abort the modification. If a value is modified and the Edit Window is closed after clicking **OK**, the color of the Modified Icon (see [Figure 3-40](#)) is changed in the Configuration String page. **Write** is enabled in the toolbar (see [Figure 3-40](#)). From now on a Configuration String can be written to the OS81xxx. A complete procedure is described in section [Section 3.2.1](#).

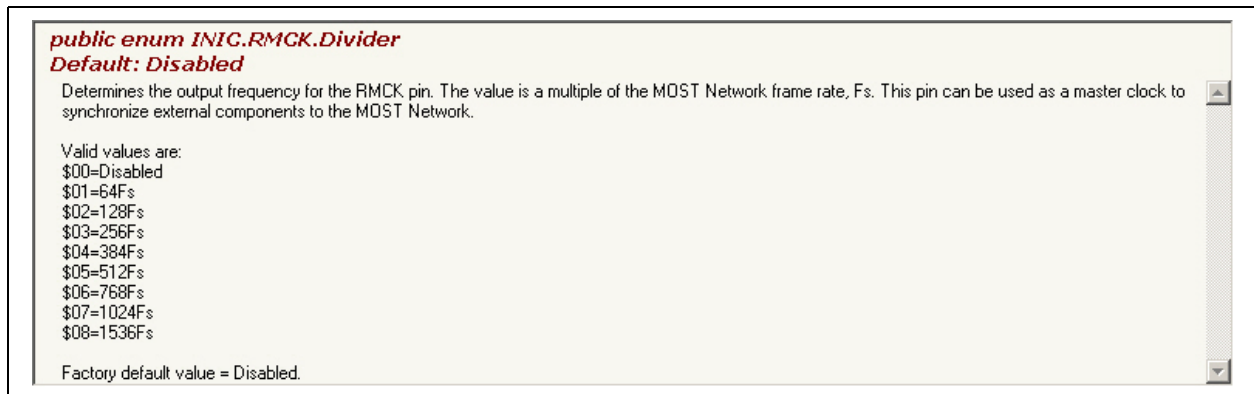
**FIGURE 3-40: MODIFIED ICON**



### Property Help

At the bottom of the Configuration String page is a Property Help section. The name of the selected property, its default value, a short description of the property, and if possible valid values or a range of valid values are presented.

**FIGURE 3-41: PROPERTY HELP OF THE RMCK**



### Context Menu

Right click inside the Configuration String page to access the Configuration String context menu. The state of the Configuration String (active, inactive, or invalid, flash-based or ROM/OTP-based INIC version) influences the appearance of the first item in the context menu.

**FIGURE 3-42: CONFIGURATION STRING CONTEXT MENU**



The menu items are described in [Table 3-11](#) for flash-based INICs and in [Table 3-12](#) for ROM/OTP-based INICs.

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## 3.1.6.7 INFORMATION

This page shows the connection diagram and information fields about versions and the current state of the connection diagram.

**FIGURE 3-43: CONNECTION DIAGRAM EXAMPLE**

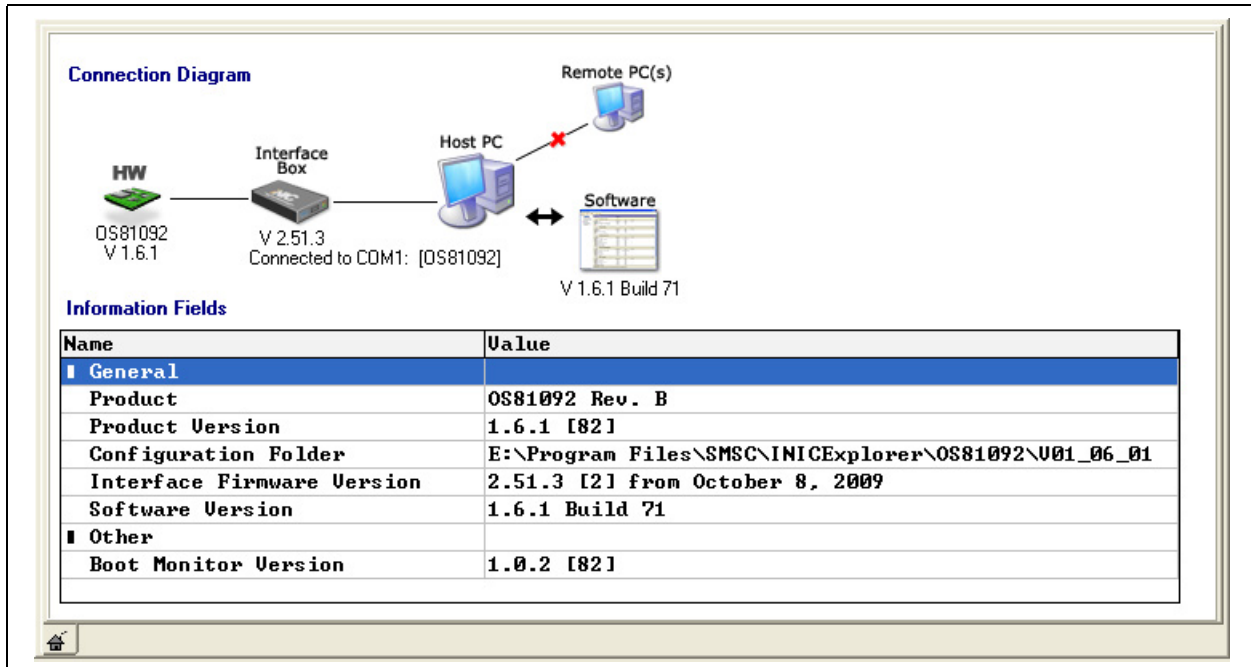


Figure 3-43 depicts an arbitrary snapshot. The example shows the current versions of hardware and software in the connection diagram and the corresponding information fields.

**Note:** If an error is shown in the [Information Area](#), the files that are stored in the configuration folder must be checked. The files and the INIC firmware version must match!  
Double-click on Configuration Folder to open a window and to copy the appropriate configuration files to the right place, i.e., in the Configuration Folder.  
If there are still errors shown, contact [support-ais-de@microchip.com](mailto:support-ais-de@microchip.com).

## 3.2 OPERATE THE SOFTWARE

This section describes typical operations that can be done with the INIC Explorer Software, a proper connection and communication assumed. Otherwise refer to Chapter [Trouble Shooting](#).

### 3.2.1 Configure the OS81xxx

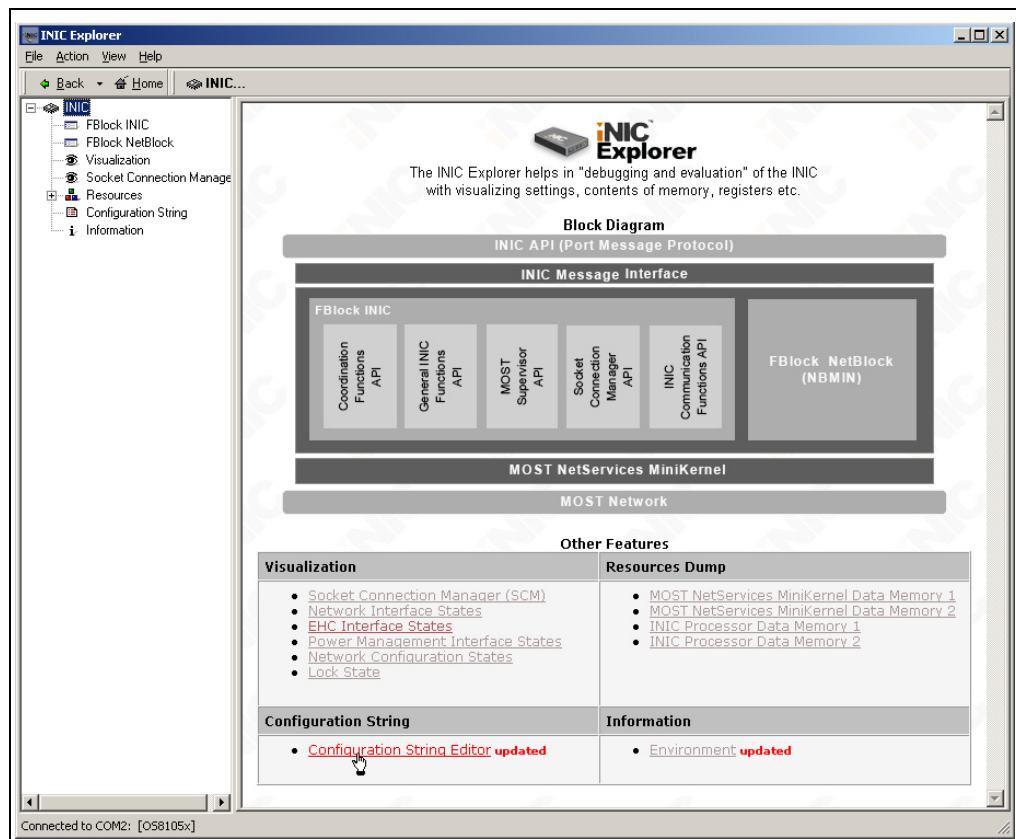
The INIC Explorer Software makes it easy to configure the OS81xxx by using a Configuration String. Therefore perform the following procedure:

- Start the INIC Explorer Software.

**Note:** In order to cause the OS81xxx not to take the factory defaults, but a modified Configuration String, it is necessary to adjust the desired values and to write them to the OS81xxx. Otherwise the factory default configuration of the firmware is active and the modified Configuration String is ignored.

- Click the hyperlink Configuration String Editor in the Context Area as shown in [Figure 3-44](#).

**FIGURE 3-44: CONFIGURE THE OS81XXX – SELECT THE CONFIGURATION STRING PAGE**



The title bar on the opened Configuration String page shows the current state of the Configuration String (invalid, inactive, active).

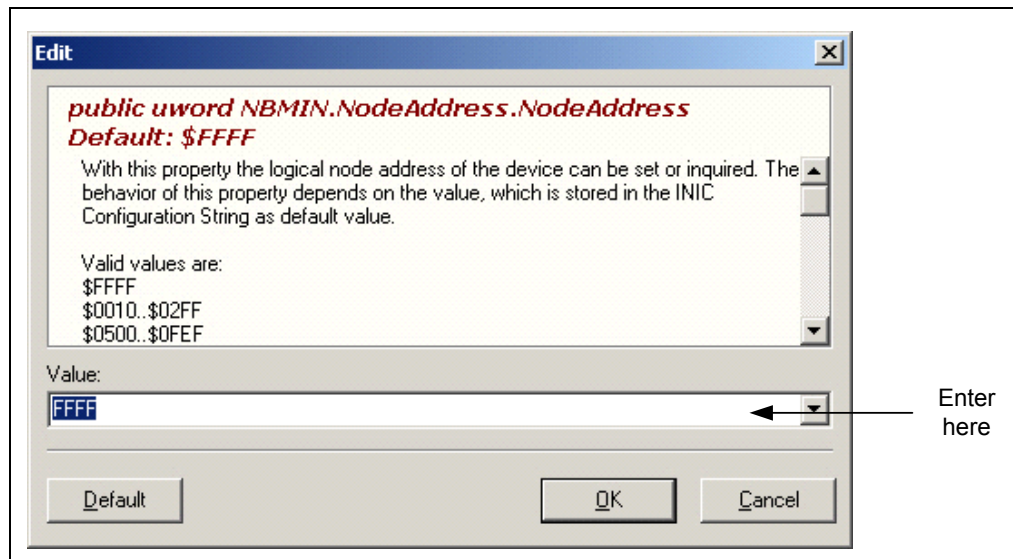
The current values are automatically read from the OS81xxx and displayed as shown in Figure 3-45.

**FIGURE 3-45: CONFIGURATION STRING PAGE – NBMIN.NODEADDRESS PROPERTY SELECTED**

Name	Type	Value	Unit
✓ NBMIN.NodeAddress.NodeAddress	uword	FFFF	
✓ NBMIN.GroupAddress.GroupAddress	uword	3C8	
✓ NBMIN.AbilityToWake.WakeStatus	enum	Off	
✓ INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Major)	stream	0	
✓ INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Minor)	stream	0	
✓ INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Release)	stream	0	
✓ INIC.RMCK.Divider	enum	Disabled	
✓ INIC.ClockMode.Frequency	enum	44100 Hz	1 Hz
✓ INIC.RemoteAccess.AccessMode	boolean	Off	

- Double-click the desired property e.g., the NBMIN.NodeAddress.NodeAddress property.  
An Edit Window opens.

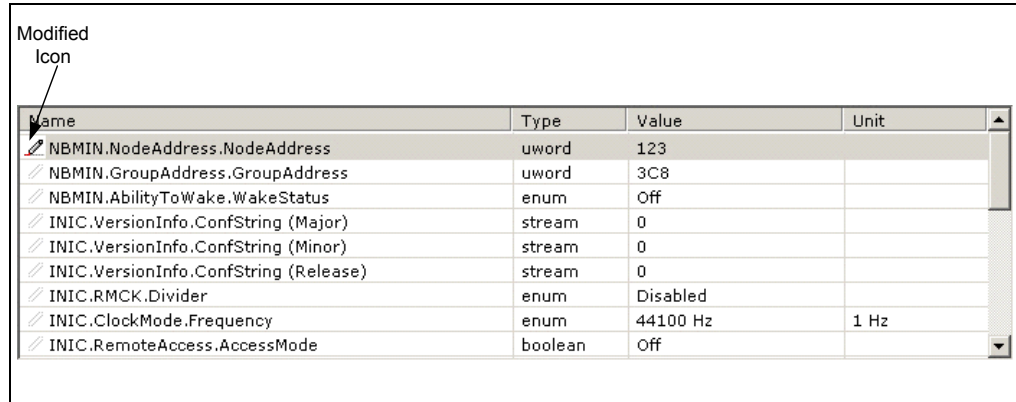
**FIGURE 3-46: ENTER OR SELECT A VALUE**



- Modify the value from 'FFFF' to '123'. Either, select a valid value from the list after clicking the drop down button or just enter the desired value.
- Click **OK**.
- Repeat the last step for all desired properties.
- If the state of the Configuration String is active:  
Click **Write**.

A progress bar appears during the procedure. Afterwards the current values are automatically read from the OS81xxx and displayed in the Configuration String.

**FIGURE 3-47: MODIFIED VALUE IN THE CONFIGURATION STRING**



Name	Type	Value	Unit
NBMIN.NodeAddress.NodeAddress	uword	123	
NBMIN.GroupAddress.GroupAddress	uword	3C8	
NBMIN.AbilityToWake.WakeStatus	enum	Off	
INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Major)	stream	0	
INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Minor)	stream	0	
INIC.VersionInfo.ConfString (Release)	stream	0	
INIC.RMCK.Divider	enum	Disabled	
INIC.ClockMode.Frequency	enum	44100 Hz	1 Hz
INIC.RemoteAccess.AccessMode	boolean	Off	

- Check the modified value(s) e.g., for the NodeAddress on the FBlock NetBlock page and update the page.
- If the action fails, refer to Chapter [Trouble Shooting](#).

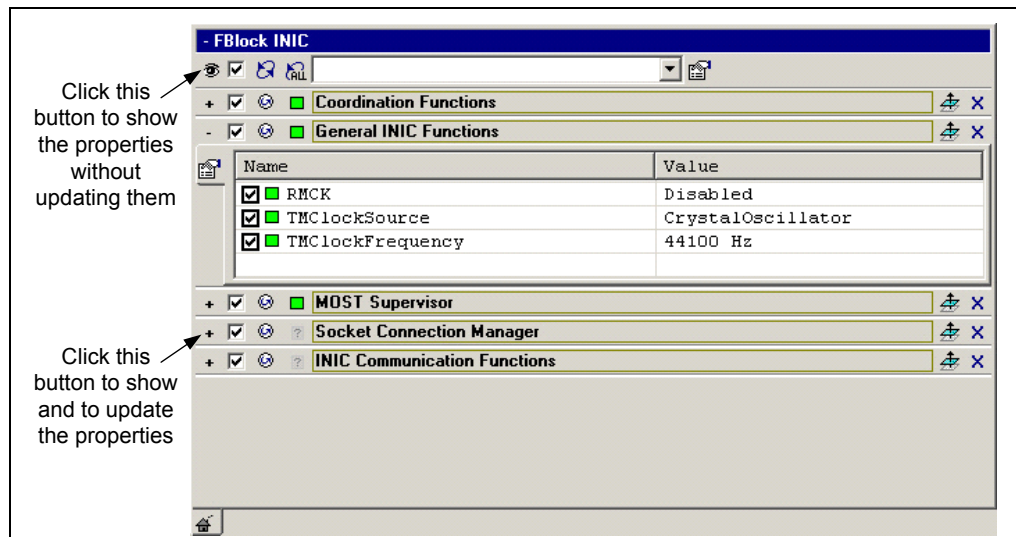
**Note:** First modify all values as desired. Then write once or activate once.

### 3.2.2 View Properties without Updating INIC Explorer Windows

In some cases it might be useful to view the properties without updating them. In this case perform the following procedure:

- Start the INIC Explorer Software.
- Navigate to one of the pages Visualization, FBlock INIC, or FBlock NetBlock.
- Click the eye symbol.  
The view shows the properties and their values without updating them.

**FIGURE 3-48: VIEW PROPERTIES**



## 3.2.3 Create a Complete Dump

To get a complete dump of all resources, perform the following procedure:

- Start the INIC Explorer Software.
- Click Action > Dump All Resources.  
A confirm box appears that informs about the following steps that will be performed through the INIC Explorer Software.
- Click **Yes**.  
A new window opens.
- Specify path and name of the dump file as desired.
- Click **Save**.  
Note, this operation may take a while.



## Chapter 4. Trouble Shooting

This chapter describes some common problems associated when running the INIC Explorer and the steps to follow to resolve those problems.

To resolve an error, a [Standard Procedure](#) may be performed. However, if the error is related to a problem that cannot be fixed with the standard procedure, refer to the additional sections in this chapter and try to resolve the problem.

If you cannot resolve the problem, refer to [Chapter 5](#).

### 4.1 STANDARD PROCEDURE

1. Close the INIC Explorer.
2. Check all hardware connections. See also [Section 1.4](#) and [Chapter 2](#).
3. Check the LED display on the INIC Explorer Interface Box and verify if everything is displayed correctly (Conn and Pwr LEDs are illuminated). For details refer to [Table 1-1](#).
4. Press the Reset knob of the INIC Explorer Interface Box.
5. If necessary, reset the INIC.
6. Restart the INIC Explorer.
7. Click **Rescan**.

### 4.2 ERRORS RELATED TO THE INIC EXPLORER INTERFACE BOX

Possible Errors	Error Correction
The INIC Explorer Interface Box is not powered.	Power the INIC Explorer Interface Box.
The serial connection between the INIC Explorer Interface Box and the PC/laptop is not working.	- If you use an RS-232 to RS-232 connection, check if everything is properly plugged. - If you use an RS-232 to USB connection, check if you use the appropriate USB driver.
The 14-pin ribbon cable connection is not working.	Properly connect the cable to the Configuration/Debug Header. Focus on the right connection direction (pin 1 assignment) and on the proper cable connection (pin-to-pin connectivity). Also make sure that the ribbon cable is not interrupted (broken).

## 4.3 ERRORS RELATED TO THE INIC EXPLORER SOFTWARE

If the hardware is not connected or does not work properly, the following dialog box is shown:

**FIGURE 4-1: INFORMATION BOX FOR COMMUNICATION ERROR**



**TABLE 4-1: BUTTONS OF THE APPLICATION TOOLBAR**

Button	Description
	Click to abort the current operation.
	Click to repeat the last command.
	Click to ignore the current command.

Recommendation:

If **Retry** does not succeed, perform the steps as follows:

- Press **Abort**.
- Continue with the [Standard Procedure](#).
- If the action fails again, contact: [support-ais-de@microchip.com](mailto:support-ais-de@microchip.com).

## 4.4 ERRORS RELATED TO THE INIC

Possible Errors	Error Correction
The INIC cannot be found.	Check if the INIC is properly powered. Properly connect the cable to the Configuration/Debug Header. Focus on the right connection direction (pin 1 assignment) and on the proper cable connection (pin-to-pin connectivity). Also make sure that the ribbon cable is not interrupted (broken).
The INIC resides in reset or is held in boot monitor mode.	Check if the INIC is visible to the MOST network.

## Chapter 5. Support

### 5.1 VERSION INFORMATION

Customer support is given through [support-ais-de@microchip.com](mailto:support-ais-de@microchip.com).

Before you contact customer support, hold ready the following information, displayed on the information page. The procedure described below refers to the steps performed for an OS81050.

**FIGURE 5-1: VERSION INFORMATION**

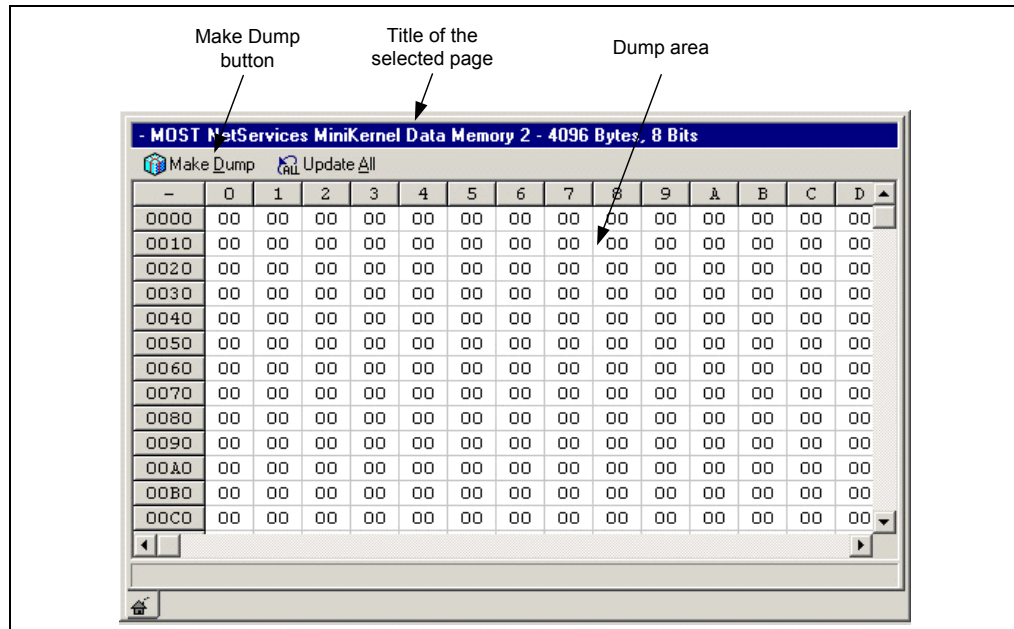
Name	Value
<b>General</b>	
Product	OS81050
Product Version	1.8.0 [F]
Interface Box Firmware Version	1.26.0 [30] from 13/07/04
Software Version	1.2.0 Build 4
<b>Other</b>	
Boot Monitor Version	2.21.0 [F]
Configuration String Version	1.0.0 [F]
Production String Version	FF.FF.FF [FF]

## 5.2 PERFORM A DUMP

For analysis purposes Microchip needs a dump of e.g., the MOST NetServices MiniKernel Data Memory 2. This dump is created as follows:

- Click the MOST NetServices MiniKernel Data Memory 2 hyperlink on the start page of the INIC Explorer Software.  
The content of the respective page is displayed in the Context Area, see [Figure 5-2](#).

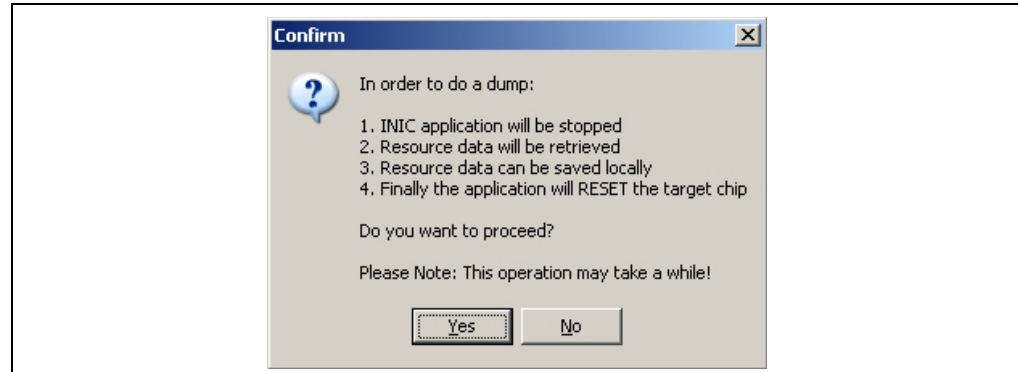
**FIGURE 5-2: MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL DATA MEMORY 2 PAGE**



The title presents the name of the selected page and information about its size.

- Click **Make Dump**.  
A warning window appears and informs about the steps that will be performed while making the dump, see [Figure 5-3](#).

**FIGURE 5-3: MAKE DUMP WARNING BOX**



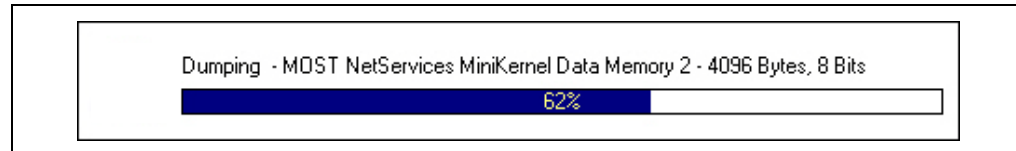
- Click **Yes** to proceed.  
The INIC application on the DUT is stopped. The memory data is read from the OS81050 INIC. The dump area in the Context Area is updated and the background color changes to light blue. Values different from '00' are displayed in bold letters.

**FIGURE 5-4: MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL DATA MEMORY UPDATED PAGE**

- INIC Minikernel Data Memory 1 - 249 Bytes, 16 Bits										
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
00	<b>E66F</b>	<b>FFFF</b>	<b>FFFF</b>	<b>001A</b>	<b>0061</b>	<b>FFFF</b>	<b>0001</b>	<b>FFFF</b>	0000	0000
10	0000	<b>0006</b>	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000
20	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
30	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
40	0000	0000	<b>1248</b>	0000	<b>009C</b>	<b>0020</b>	<b>1F00</b>	0000	<b>0C02</b>	<b>009C</b>
50	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
60	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
70	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
80	<b>0040</b>	0000	<b>00C0</b>	<b>0010</b>	<b>0040</b>	<b>C2C0</b>	0000	<b>2000</b>	0000	<b>0100</b>
90	0000	<b>F7EC</b>	<b>8000</b>	<b>8000</b>	<b>3412</b>	<b>00C0</b>	<b>4226</b>	0000	<b>C084</b>	<b>C642</b>
A0	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
B0	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
C0	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
D0	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>	<b>0911</b>
E0	<b>02F0</b>	<b>0205</b>	<b>0282</b>	<b>0200</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>0040</b>	<b>837A</b>	<b>0004</b>	<b>0004</b>	<b>0004</b>
F0	0000	0000	<b>0400</b>	0000	0000	0000	0000	<b>0C00</b>	0000	

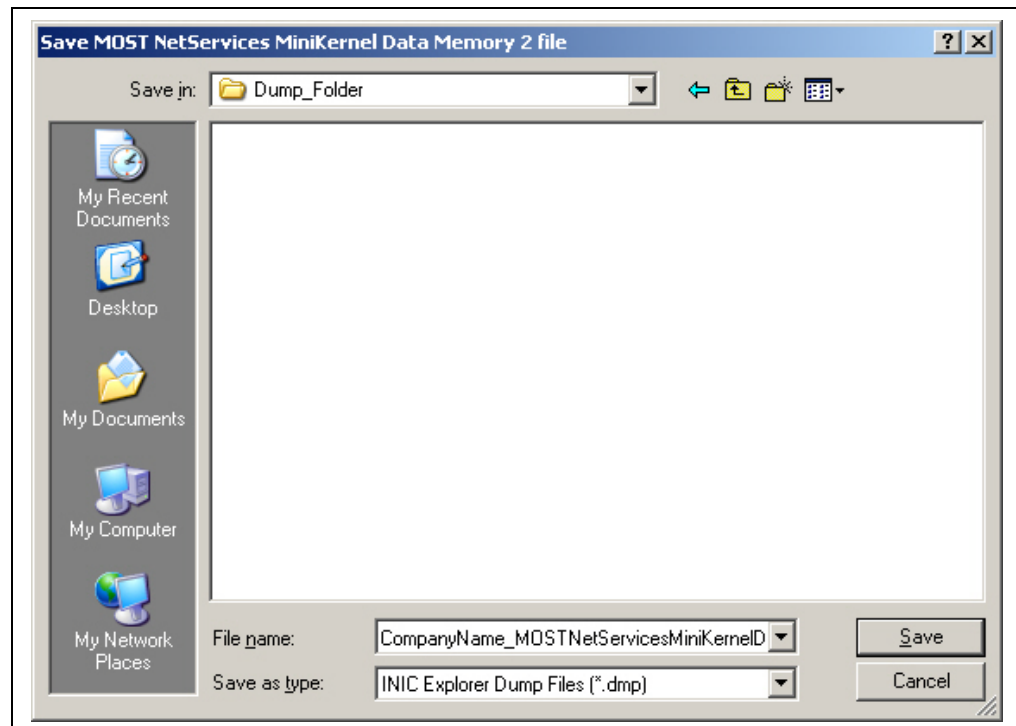
A progress bar informs about the progress while creating the dump file.

**FIGURE 5-5: PROGRESS BAR DURING DUMPING MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL DATA MEMORY**



A new window opens:

**FIGURE 5-6: SAVE MOST NETSERVICES MINIKERNEL RAM BYTES**



- Navigate to a path the file should be stored.  
By default the path is set to the path the application has been started.
- Insert your company name as file name.  
Click **Save** to create the respective file.  
The file extension must be of data type \*.dmp.

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