

Pins Tool for i.MX Processors Installation User's Guide

1 Introduction

The Pins Tool for i.MX Processors is a tool that helps guide users from first evaluation to production software development. This document describes how to install the Pins Tool for i.MX Processors software. The tool is available as offline (local) installed on the host machine for pin routing configuration, validation and code generation, including pin functional/electrical properties, power rails, and run-time functions.

The tool is for general use and aims to help hardware designers, software engineers, embedded engineers, and field application engineers (FAEs).

The Pins tool main features are:

- Graphical views to create and use pins configuration.
- Creation of C source code and Device Tree snippet (DTS) for device initialization.
- Package with all pins and routable peripherals.
- Registers with initialization values.

2 Minimum System Requirements

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Supported Processors

The following lists the minimum system requirements to install and run the software.

- One of these graphical operating systems:
 - Microsoft® Windows® 7, 8, 10 (32-bit and 64 bit versions supported)
 - Ubuntu 14.04 LTS, Red Hat® Enterprise Linux (RHEL)/CentOS 7. Linux-hosted variants of the Pins tools software are distributed as 64-bit binaries, which may not work on 32-bit systems.
 - Mac OS X operating system (10.11 or later)
- Java Runtime Environment (JRE) 1.8 (for desktop version)
- 4 GB RAM or more
- Display with resolution 1024 x 768 or more
- Internet connection for device information download

NOTE

For the online version of the Pins tool, the internet browser must be JavaScript enabled. The supported browsers are Internet Explorer (IE) 9+, Safari 5.1+, Firefox 33+, and Chrome 38+.

3 Supported Processors

The tool goes without any data and the additional supported devices. You can download the additional supported devices later. It requires internet connection to get the data for the supported processors.

4 Limitations

Refer to the Release Notes to see the limitations.

5 Online and Offline Installation

For the desktop setup/installer executable, there are two different versions available, which either have 'Offline' or 'Online' in the installer executable name:

1. **Offline version:** This version is about 120 MB in size and includes all the files required during the setup and does not need a connection to the internet during installation. You can use this method for slow network connections or for installing the software on multiple machines.
2. **Online version:** This version is about 400 KB in size and downloads all the required files from the internet during the installation. You can use this method for fast internet connections or to limit the data download (downloads only the required files) during the installation.

For both the versions, the missing device information files download from the internet when loading a configuration into the tool.

6 Installing the tool on Windows

For Windows, there are two different setup binaries:

- 64-bit version: This one has "x64" in the installer executable name. This setup is for 64-bit Windows systems.
- 32-bit version: This one has "x86" in the installer executable name. This setup executable is for 32-bit Windows systems.

Running a non-matching setup executable for a given host system, for example 64-bit setup on a 32-bit system, will give an error message dialog.

To install the software locally on a host as desktop application:

1. Run the Pins_Tool_for_i.MX_Processors_<version>_<architecture>_<online/offline>.exe.
The **Pins Tool for i.MX Processor Setup** wizard initiates.

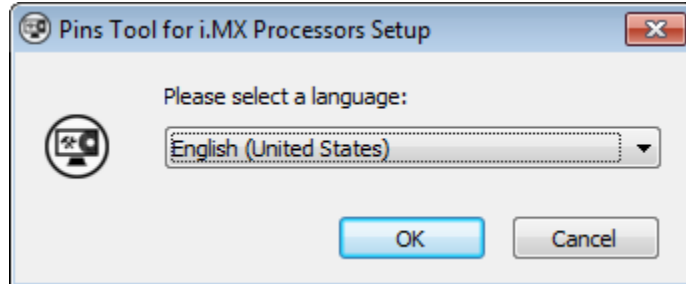


Figure 1. Pins Tool for i.MX Processors Setup

2. Select the installation language you want to use during installation.
3. Click **OK**.

The **Custom Setup** page of the wizard appears. You can click on the icons in the tree to select the way you want to install the features.

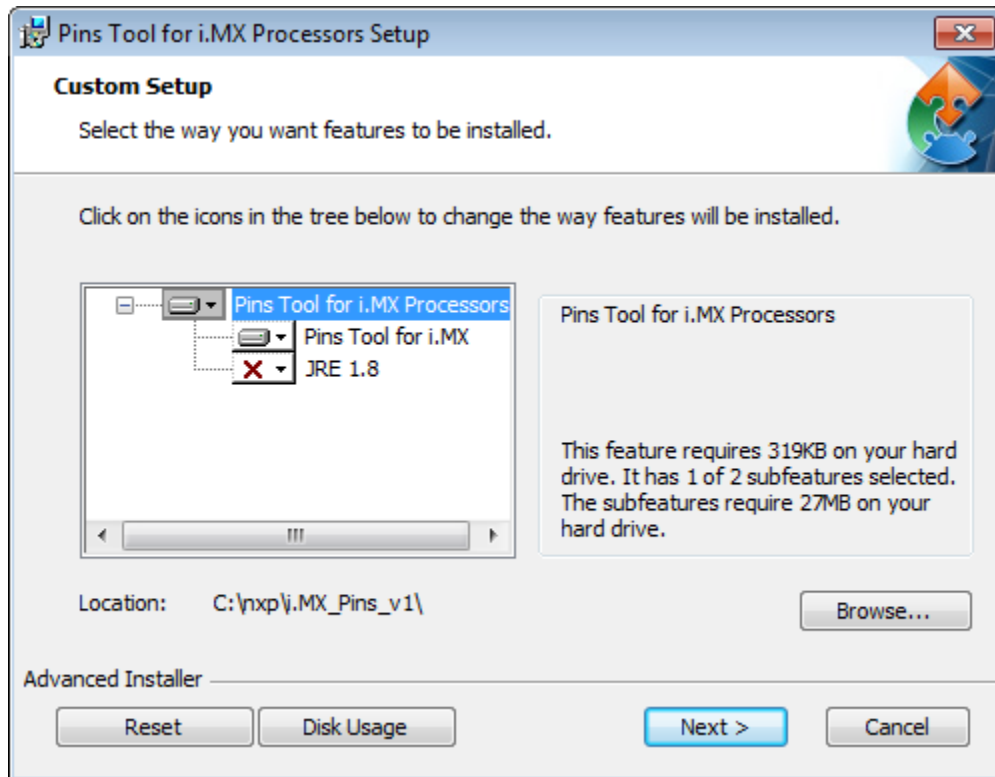


Figure 2. Custom Setup

NOTE

If the installation detects a proper JRE on the host, the setup will not install the feature and appears a red cross appears. If you think it is not installed, click on the icons in the tree and select the option to install the feature.

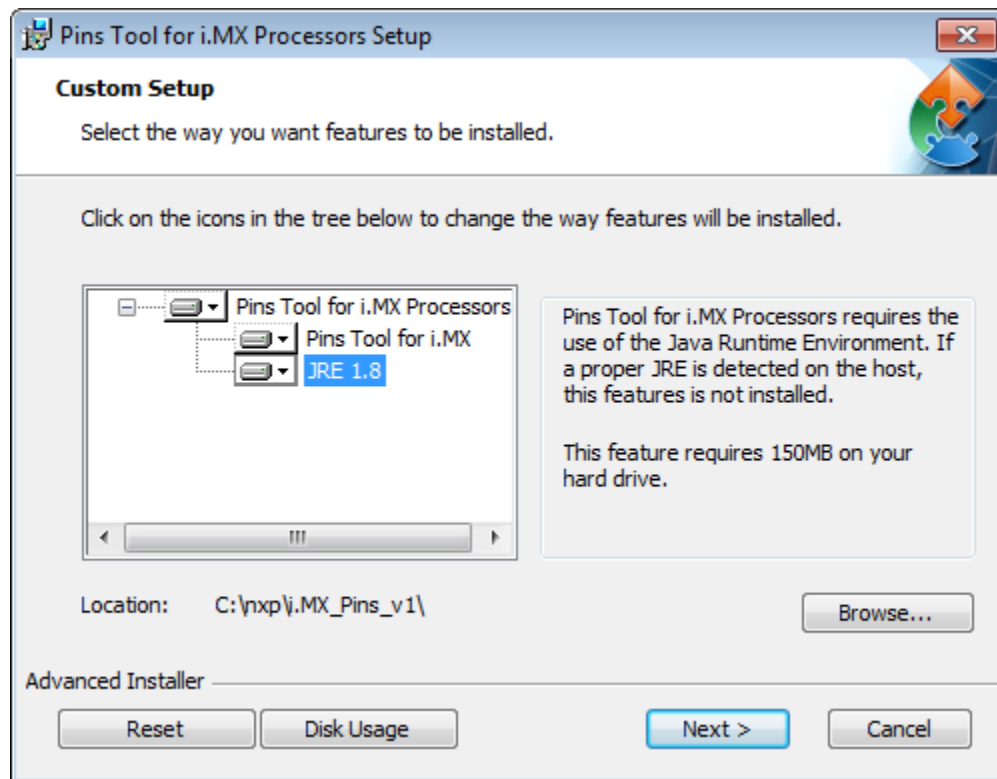


Figure 3. Custom Setup

4. Click **Browse** and navigate to a destination folder if you want to install the software into a different folder.
5. Click **Next**.
The **Configure Shortcuts** page appears.

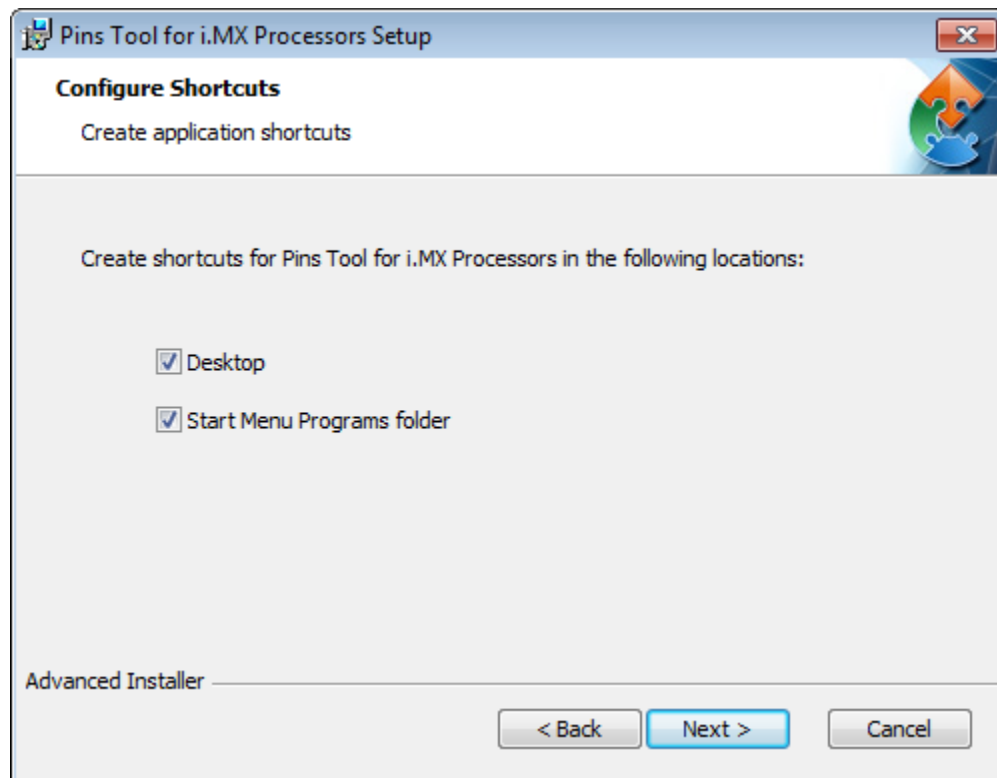


Figure 4. Configure Shortcuts

6. Click Next.
The **Ready to Install the Program** page appears.

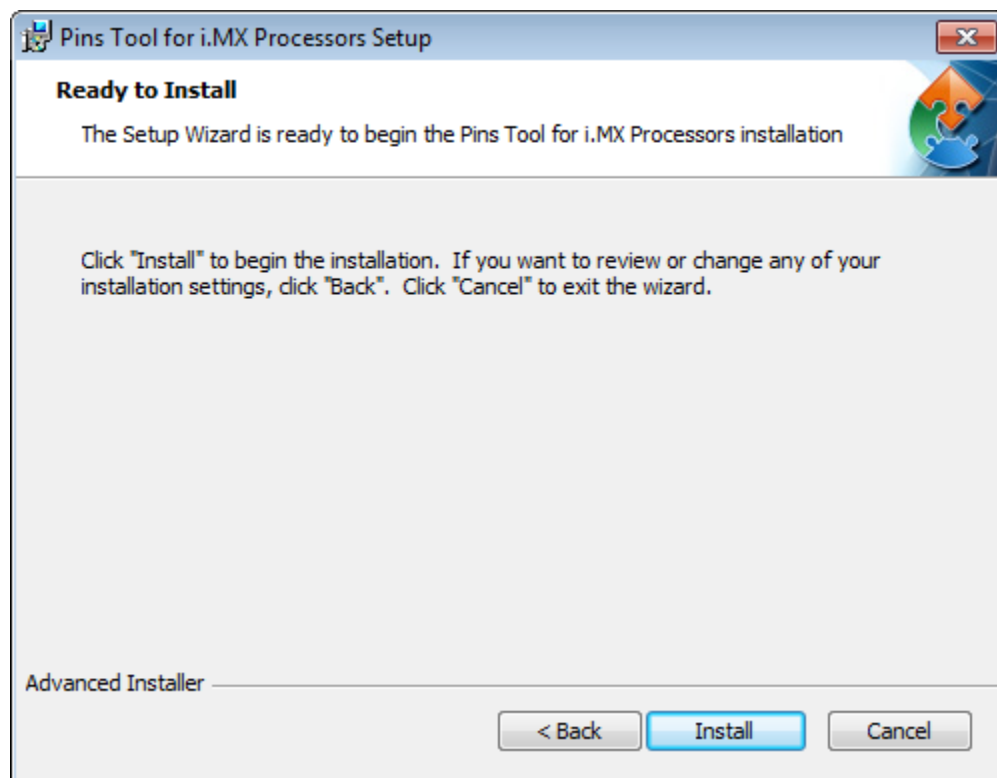


Figure 5. Ready to Install

Installing the tool on Windows

7. Click **Install**.

The setup begins the installation.

NOTE

If you want to review or change any of your installation settings, click **Back**. Click **Cancel** to exit the wizard.

The installer prompts you when the installation completes.

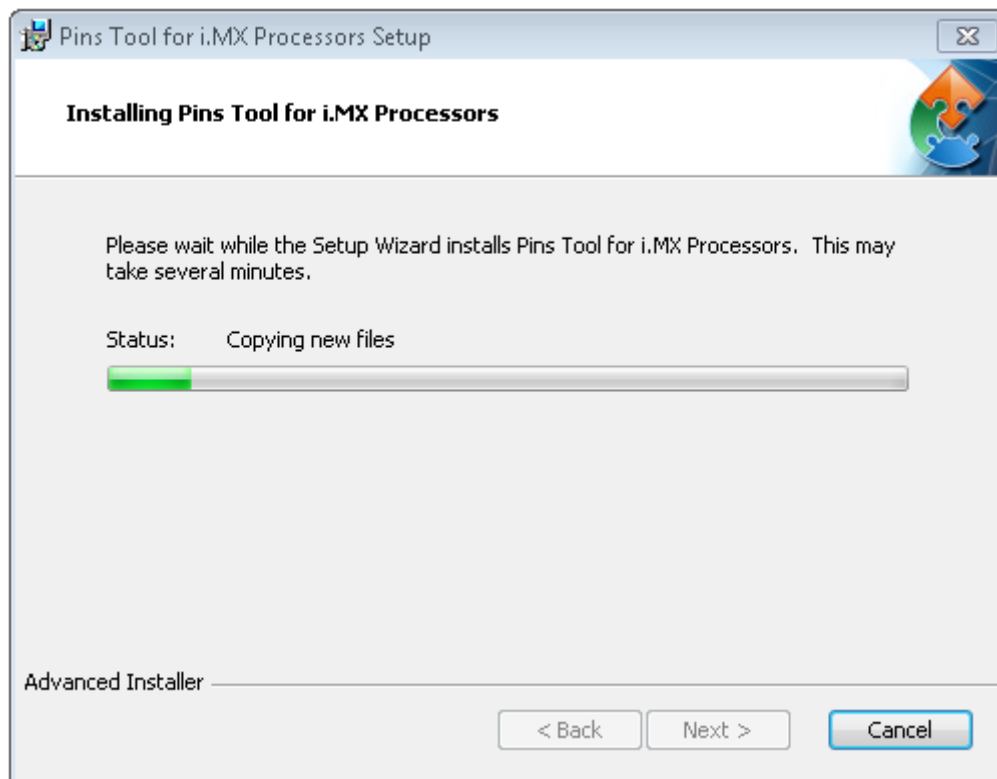


Figure 6. Installing Pins Tool for i.MX Processors

NOTE

The setup displays an error message if the prerequisites (in step 3) are missing or incorrectly installed or are missing .

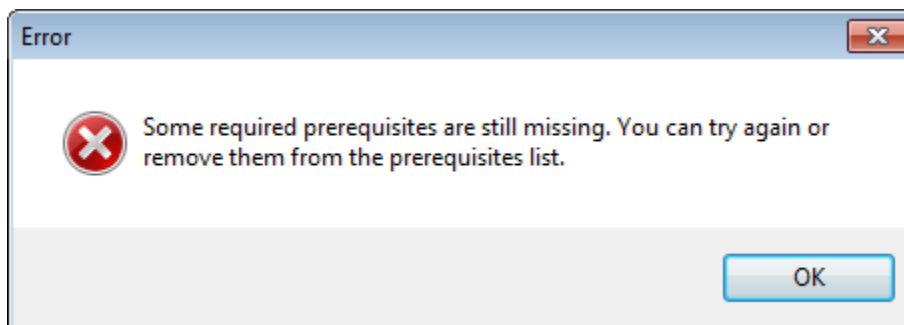


Figure 7. Prerequisites not found error

8. Click **Finish** to close and exit the setup wizard.

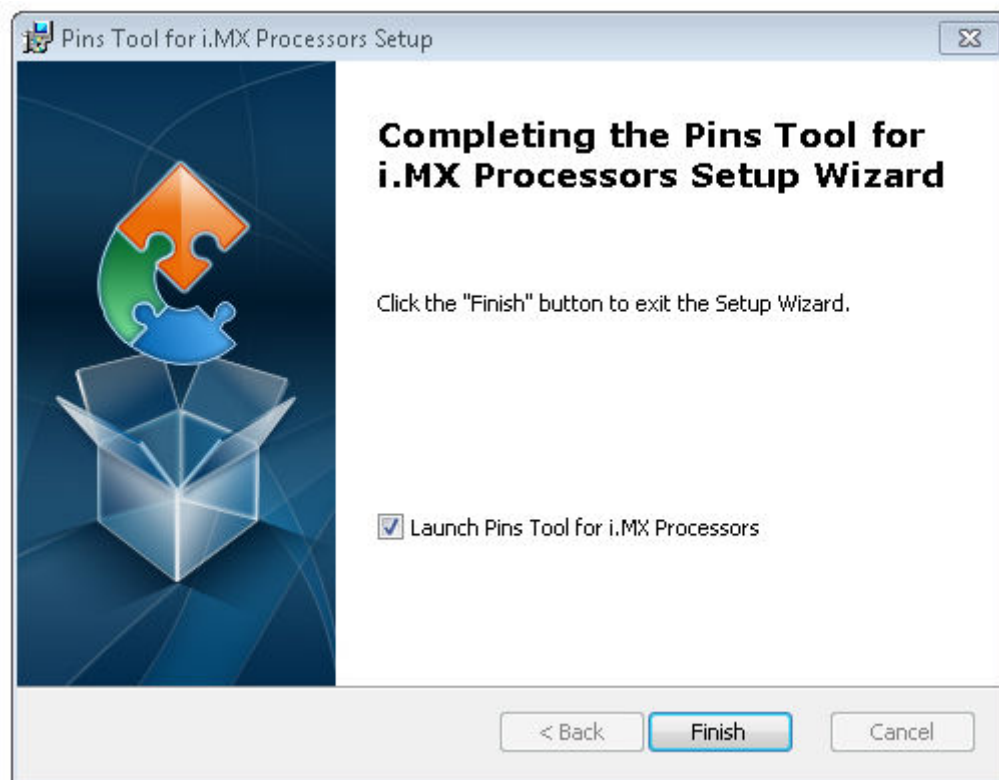


Figure 8. Complete installation

9. To start using the Pins Tool for i.MX Processor software, run the tool from the shortcut on desktop or from the Start menu. You can also navigate to the <product installation folder>\bin\ folder and launch the tools.exe or launch the shortcut in the <product installation folder>.

7 Installing the tool on Mac

To install the Pins tool:

1. Click the Pins_Tool_for_i.MX_Processors_<version>_<online/offline>.pkg.
The Install Pins Tool for i.MX Processors setup initiates and the **Introduction** page appears.

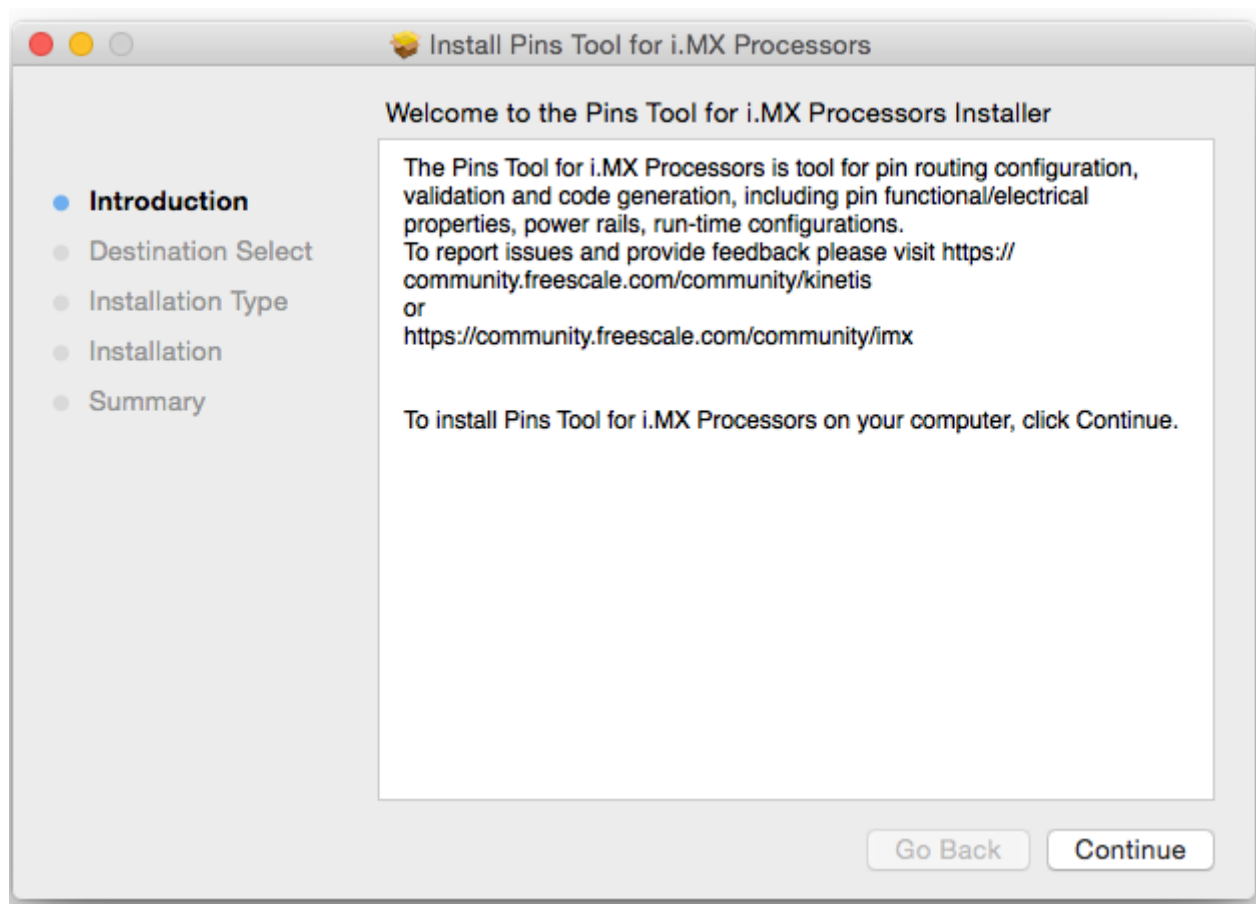


Figure 9. Introduction

2. Click **Continue**.

The **Destination Select** page appears.

3. Click the green down arrow to select the disk where you want to install the Pins Tool for i.MX Processors software.

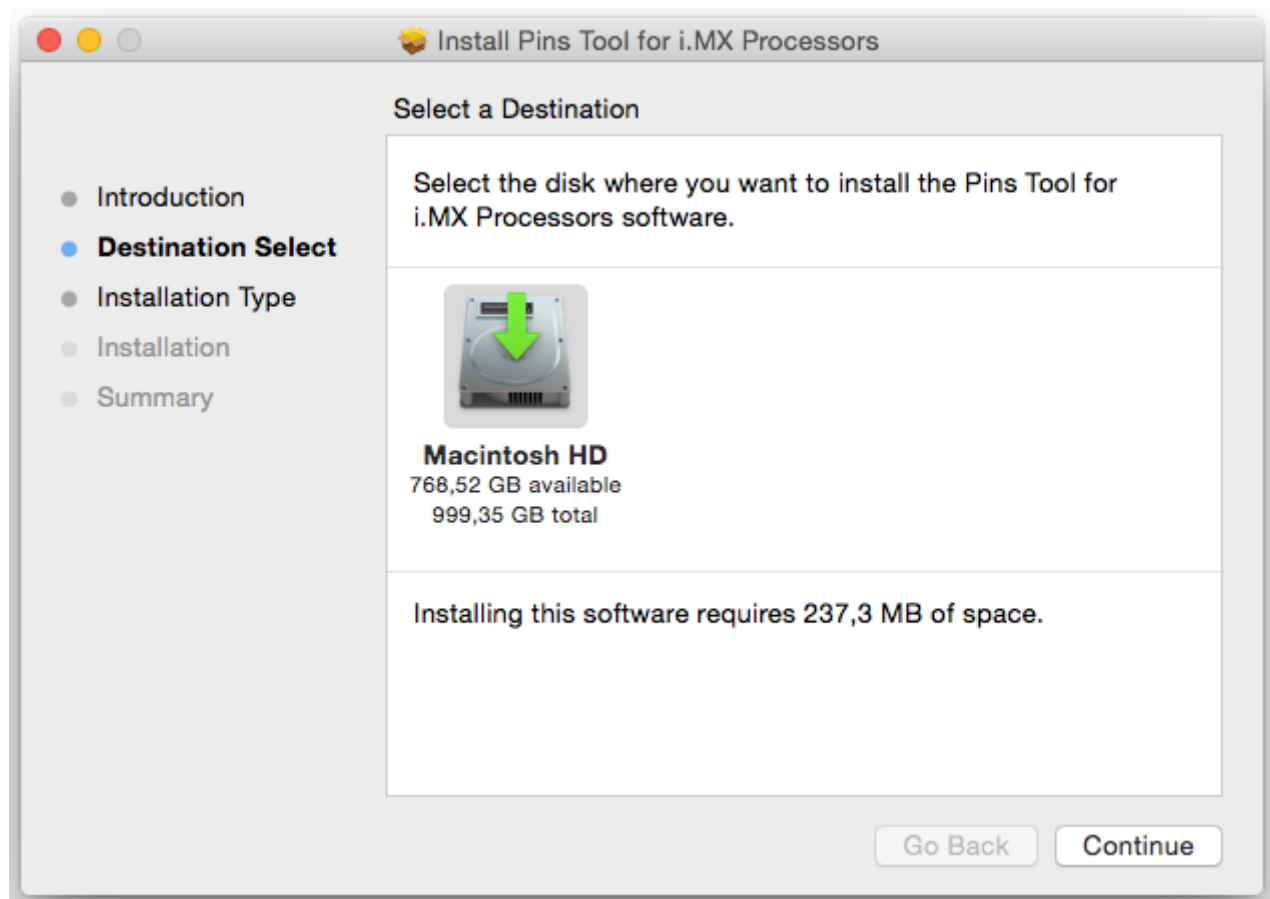


Figure 10. Select destination

4. Click **Continue**.
The **Installation Type** page appears.

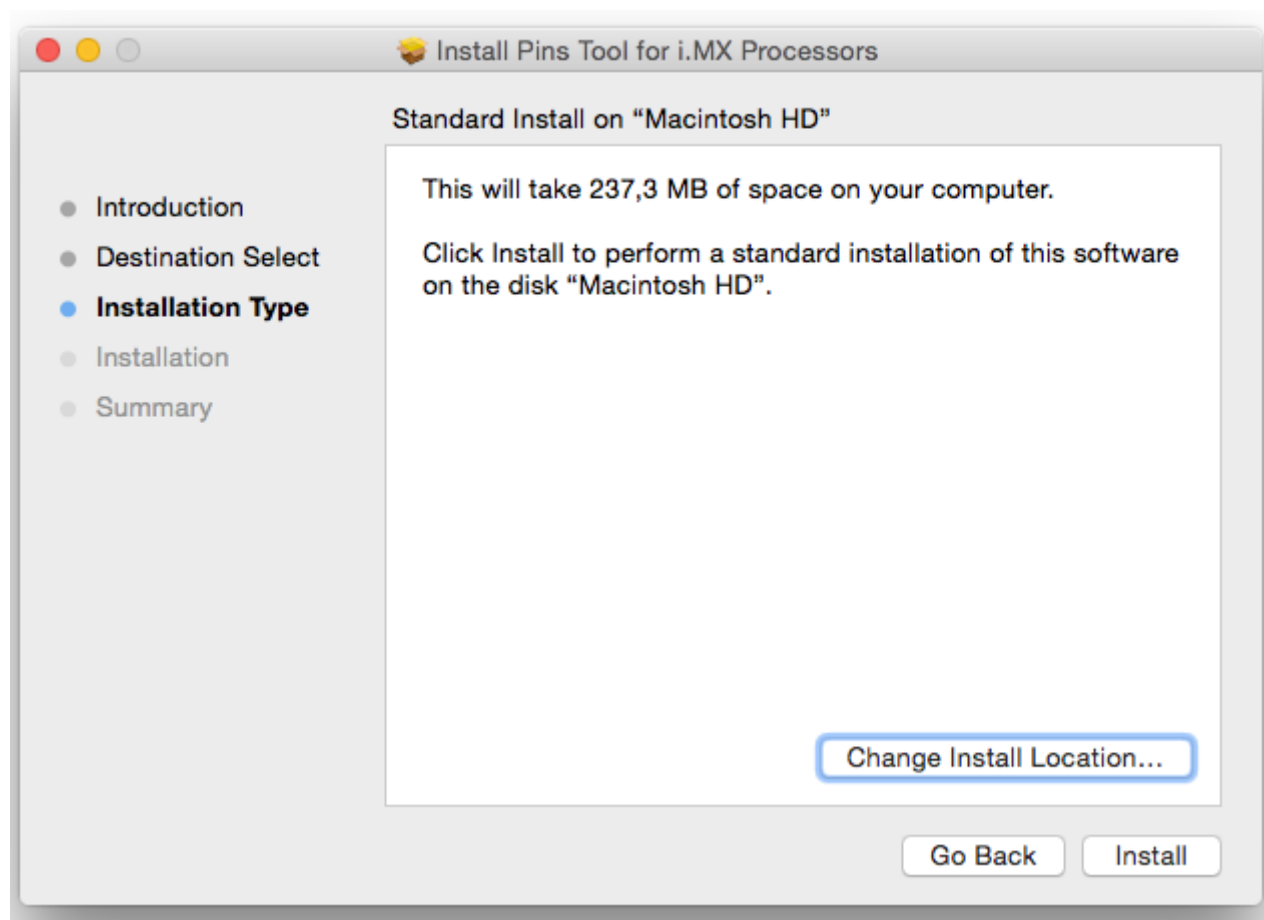


Figure 11. Installation Type

5. Click **Install**.

The **Installation** page appears.

6. Type in your login credentials to continue with the installation.
7. Click **Install Software**.

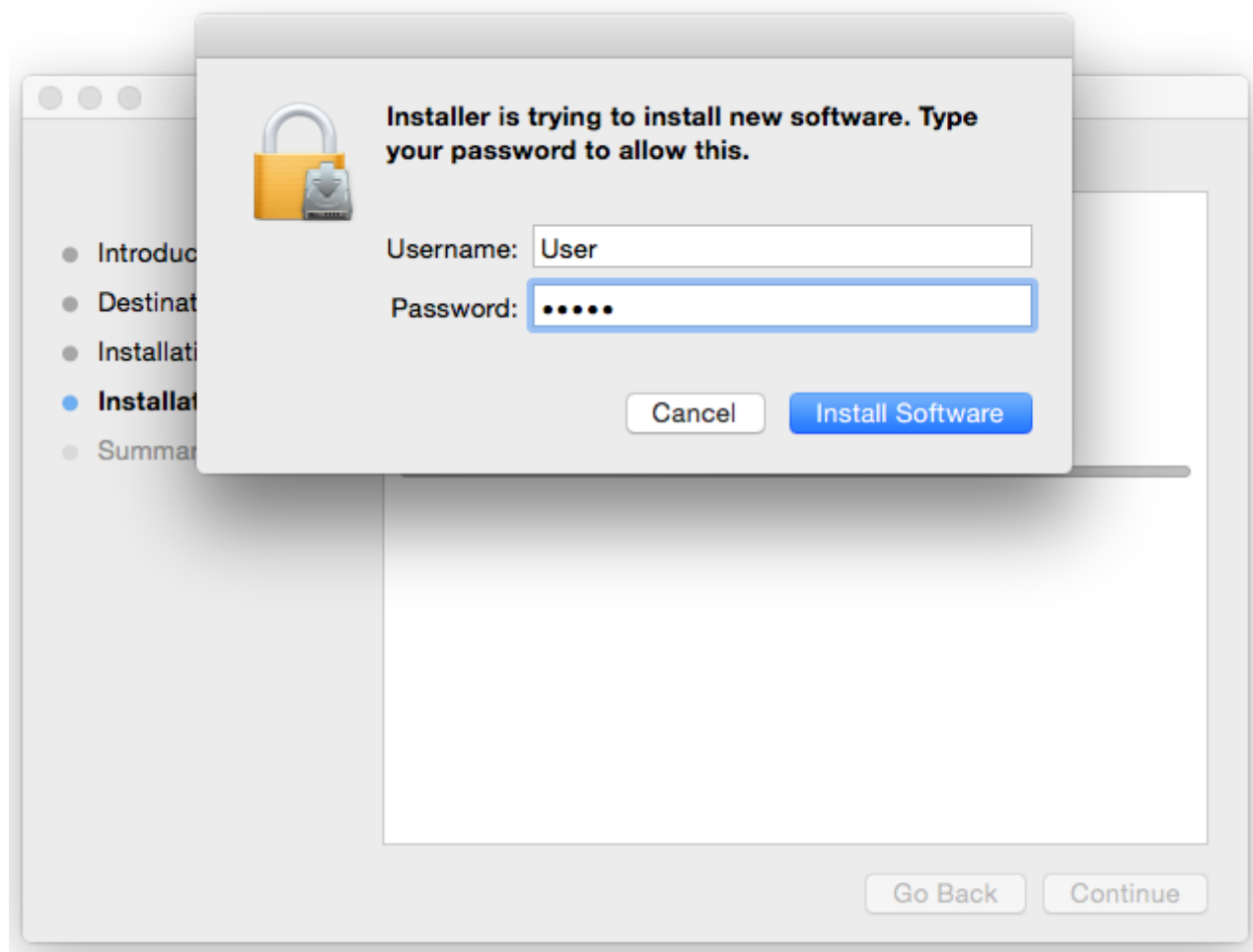


Figure 12. Install Software

8. Click **Continue**.

The **Summary** page prompts that the installation was successfully completed.

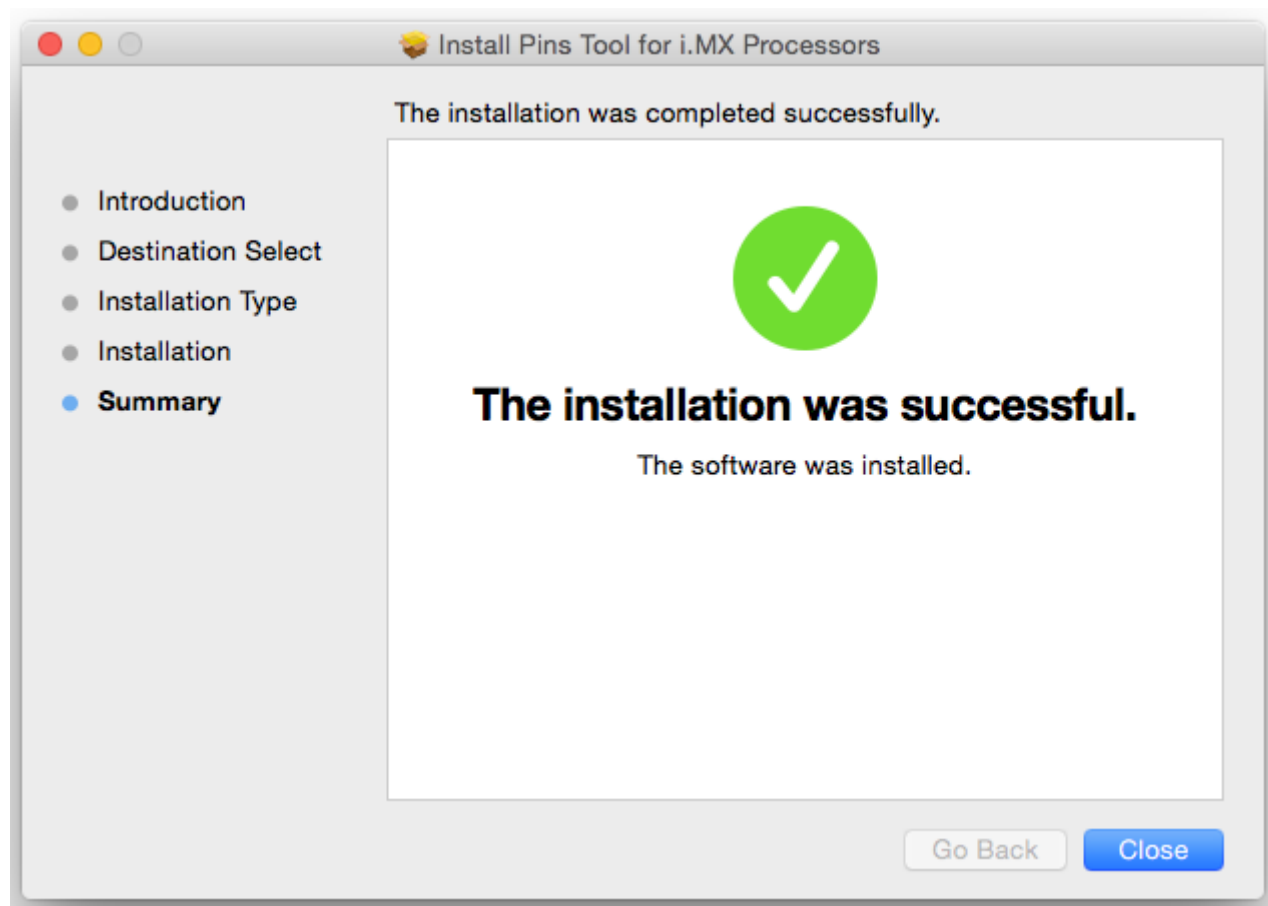


Figure 13. Summary

9. Click **Close** to exit the installation wizard.

8 Installing the tool on Ubuntu

To install the Pins tool using Ubuntu Software Center.

1. Click the Pins_Tool_for_i.MX_Processors_<version>-<pkg_revision>-amd64_<online/offline>.deb.
2. The installation prompts you to confirm that you trust the origin of the file.
3. Click **Install**.

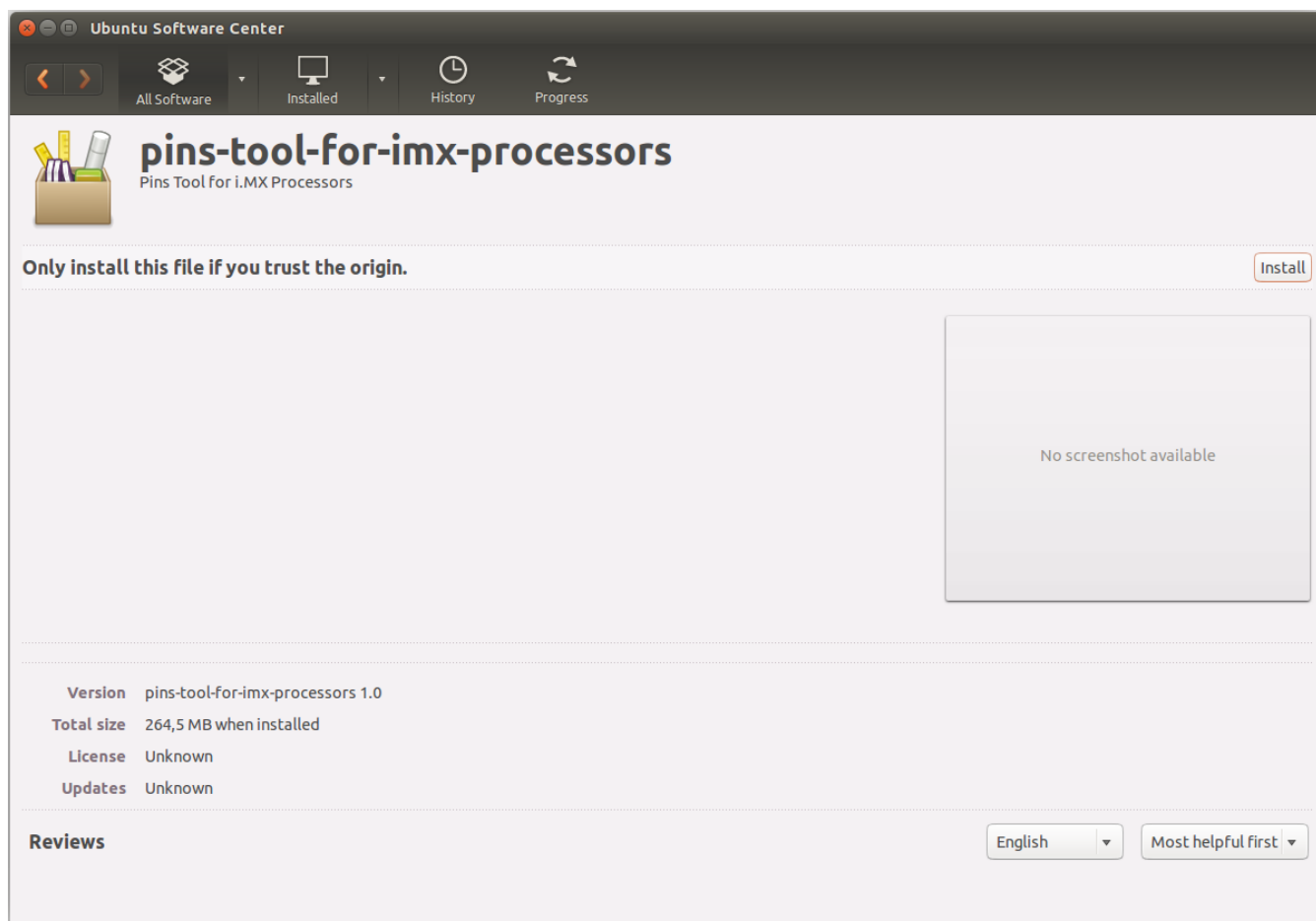


Figure 14. Trust the origin

The setup initiates. To install the package you need to authenticate yourself.

4. Specify your login credentials.
5. Click **Authenticate**.

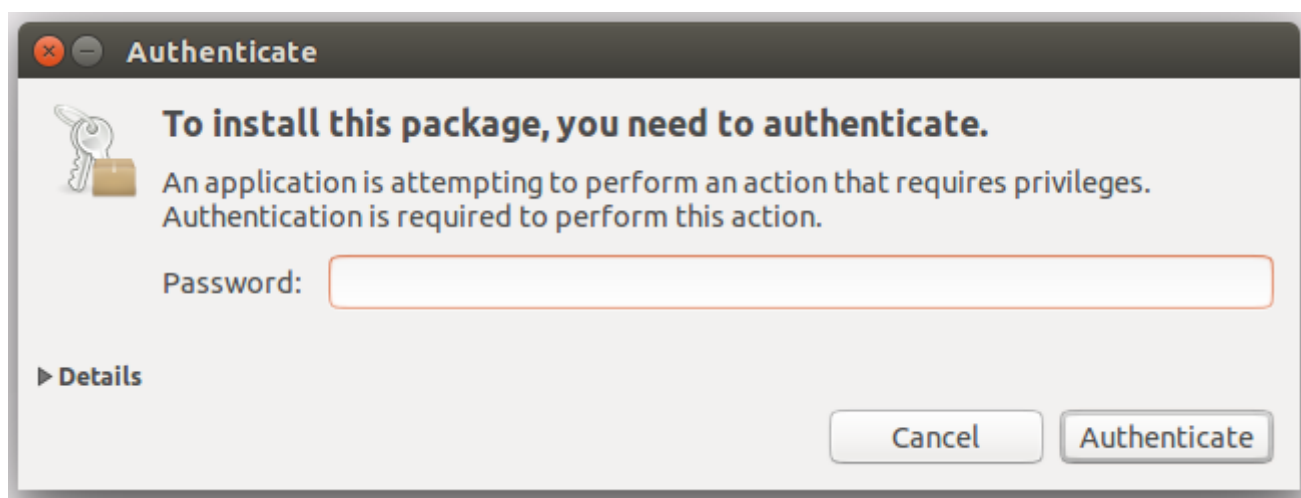


Figure 15. Authentication required

6. If the login is successful, the setup installs the Pins Tools for i.MX Processors software.

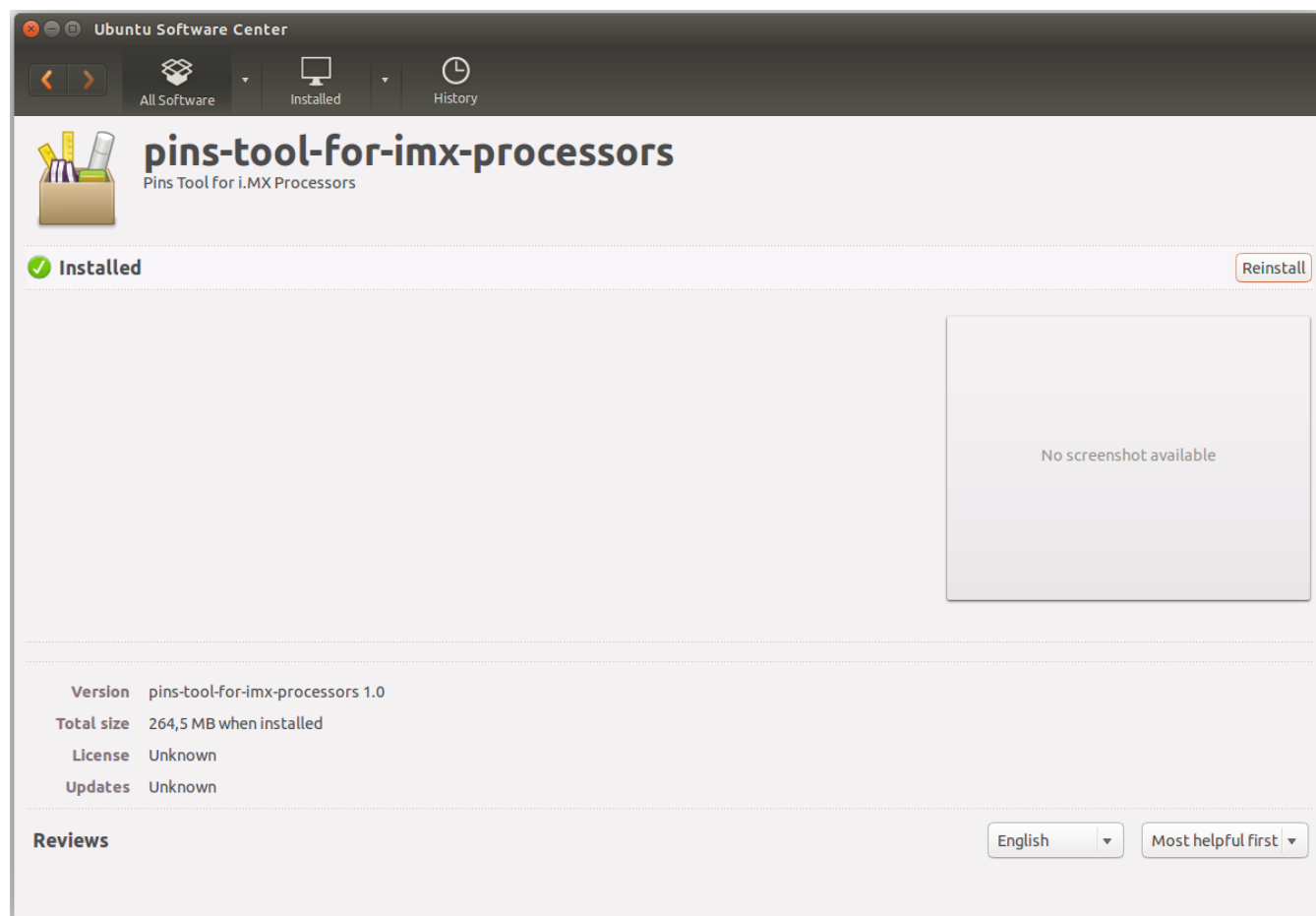


Figure 16. Installation successful

9 Installing the tool on Red Hat/CentOS

To install the Pins tool:

1. Click the Pins_Tool_for_i.MX_Processors_<version>-<pkg_revision>.x86_64_<online/offline>.rpm.
The installer will prompt whether you want to install this file.

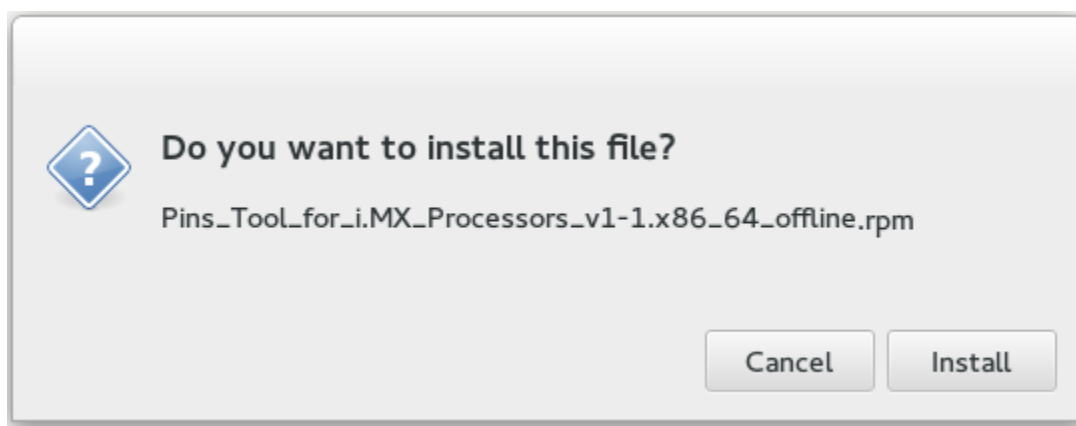


Figure 17. Initiate setup

2. Click **Install** to initiate the setup.

The **Authentication** dialog appears.

3. Provide your login credentials.
4. Click **Authenticate**.



Figure 18. Authenticate credentials

The Pins Tools for i.MX Processors software is installed on your machine.

10 Installing on Linux using Command Line

To install the tools on a Linux system, use the following package files:

- .rpm — Use .rpm to install software tools on systems using the RPM package manager. For example, Red Hat and CentOS.
- .deb — Use .deb to install software tools on systems that use the Debian package manager. For example, Ubuntu.

10.1 Installing with Red Hat package manager (RPM)

To install the tools on a Linux Standard Base (LSB)-compliant system, use the .rpm package file:

```
$ sudo rpm -Uvh <name>-<version>-<pkg_revision>.<architecture>.rpm
Preparing ... ##### [100%]
1: <name> ##### [100%]
```

This will install the tools to the default location (/opt/nxp/<default_path>).

10.2 Installing with Debian package manager (DEB)

To install the tools on Debian-like systems, including Ubuntu, use the .deb package file:

```
$ sudo dpkg -i <name>_<version>-<pkg_revision>_<architecture>.deb
(Reading database ... files and directories currently installed .)
Preparing to replace <name> <version> (using
<name>_<version>-<pkg_revision>_<architecture>.deb) ...
Unpacking replacement <name> ...
Setting up <name> (<version>) ...
```

This installs the tools to the default location (/opt/nxp/<default_path>).

11 Uninstalling the tool on Linux using Command Line

To uninstall the tools on a Linux system, use the following package files:

- .rpm — Use .rpm to install software tools on systems using the RPM package manager. For example, Red Hat and CentOS.
- .deb — Use .deb to install software tools on systems that use the Debian package manager. For example, Ubuntu.

11.1 Uninstalling with Red Hat package manager (RPM)

To uninstall the tools on a Linux Standard Base (LSB)-compliant system, use the .rpm package file:

```
$ sudo rpm -e <name>
```

11.2 Uninstalling with Debian package manager (DEB)

To uninstall the tools on Debian-like systems, including Ubuntu, use the .deb package file:

```
$ sudo dpkg -r <package-name>
(Reading database ... files and directories currently installed .)
Removing <name> (<version>)
Processing triggers for ...
Rebuilding /usr/share/applications/bamf-2.index...
```


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