

**NAME**

al, al2 – Mono Assembly Linker

**SYNOPSIS**

**al** [**option**] [**source-files**]

**DESCRIPTION**

AL is the Mono assembly linker.

This linker is used to put together assemblies from a collection of modules (.netmodule files), assembly manifest files and resources.

Do not confuse this with the **monolinker**, which is a tool to reduce the size of assemblies based on the code used.

Use al for processing 1.0 assemblies, use al2 to process 2.0 assemblies.

**OPTIONS**

**@<filename>**

Read response file for more options.

**-algid:<id>**

Algorithm used to hash files. The <id> must be specified in hexadecimal.

**-base:<addr> | -baseaddress:<addr>**

Base address for the library. THIS FEATURE ISN'T IMPLEMENTED.

**-bugreport:<filename>**

Create a 'Bug Report' file. THIS FEATURE ISN'T IMPLEMENTED.

**-comp:<text> | -company:<text>**

This inserts the company name into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyCompany("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-config:<text> | -configuration:<text>**

This inserts the configuration string into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyConfiguration("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-copy:<text> | -copyright:<text>**

This inserts the copyright message into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyCopyright("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-c:<text> | -culture:<text>**

This inserts the supported culture into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyCulture("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-delay | -delay+ | -delaysign | -delaysign+**

The generated assembly will be delay signed. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyDelaySignAttribute(true)] attribute into C# source code.

**-delay- | -delaysign-**

The generated assembly will be fully signed (i.e. not delay signed). This is the default option when signing (-keyfile or -keyname).

**-descr:<text> | -description:<text>**

This inserts a description of the assembly into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyDescription("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-e:<filename> | -evidence:<filename>**

This embed into the assembly the specified file as assembly security evidences.

**-fileversion:<version>**

Optional Win32 version. This overrides the normal assembly version.

**-flags:<flags>**

Assembly flags. The <flags> must be specified in hexadecimal.

**-fullpaths**

Display files using fully-qualified filenames.

**-keyf:<filename> | -keyfile:<filename>**

Strongname (sign) the output assembly using the key pair present in the specified strong name key file (snk). A full key pair is required unless the delay signing option is also specified (-delay+). This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyKeyFile ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-keyn:<text> | -keyname:<text>**

Strongname (sign) the output assembly using the key pair present in the specified container. Delay signing isn't supported when using key containers. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyKeyName ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-main:<method>**

Specifies the method name of the assembly entry point.

**-nologo**

Suppress the startup banner and copyright message.

**-out:<filename>**

Output file name for the assembly manifest.

**-prod:<text> | product:<text>**

This inserts the product name into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyProduct ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-productv[ersion]:<text>**

This inserts the product version into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyInformationalVersion ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-t[arget]:<target> | -target=<target>**

Valid <target>s are: **lib** | **library** to create a library (.dll), **exe** to create a console executable (.exe), and **win** | **winexe** to create a Windows executable (.exe).

**-template:<filename>**

Specifies an assembly to get default options from.

**-title:<text>**

This inserts an assembly title into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyTitle ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-trade:<text> | -trademark:<text>**

This inserts a trademark message into the assembly metadata. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyTrademark ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-v:<version> | -version:<version>**

This inserts the assembly version into the assembly metadata. You can use \* to auto-generate remaining numbers. This is equivalent to adding the [AssemblyVersion ("<text>")] attribute into C# source code.

**-win32icon:<filename>**

Use this icon for the output.

**-win32res:<filename>**

Specifies the Win32 resource file.

**-? | -help**

Display information about AL

**SEE ALSO**

sn(1), monolinker(1)

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