

# Using CodeBlocks

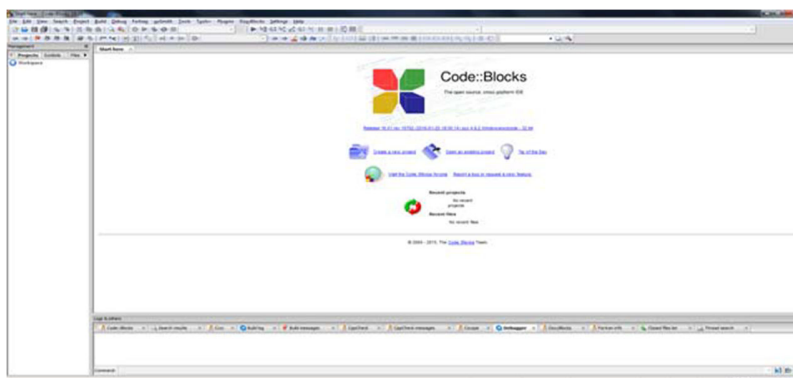
## Introduction to Codeblocks for lab sessions

CodeBlocks version in lab: 16.01

CodeBlocks current version: 20.03 (Requires doing some setting for debugger)

## Basic creation of new project for coding

### 1. Launch CodeBlocks



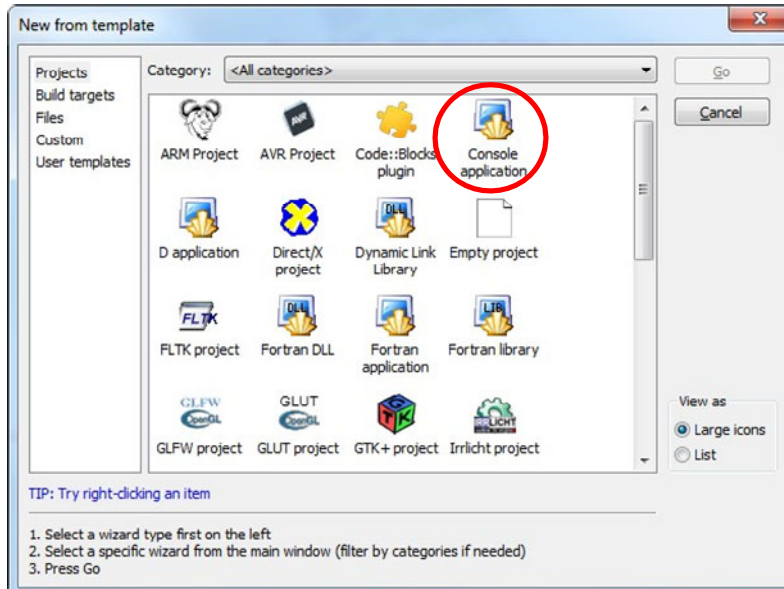
### 2. Create a new project

- Click on the **Create a new project** on the **Start here** Tab; or



- Go to **File->New->Project...**

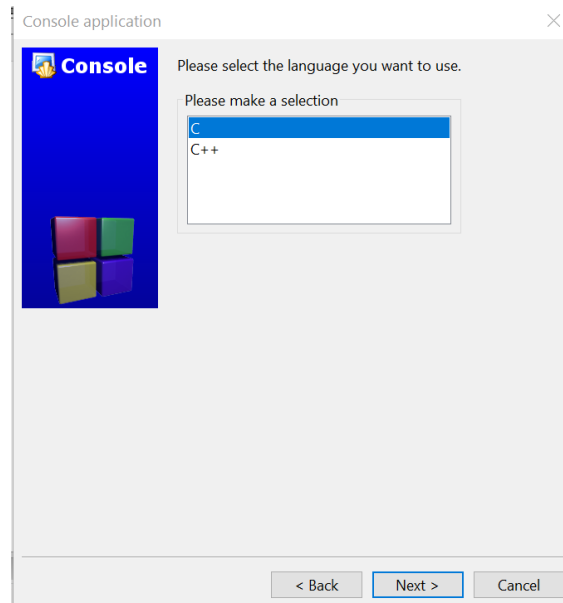
### 3. Select Console Application



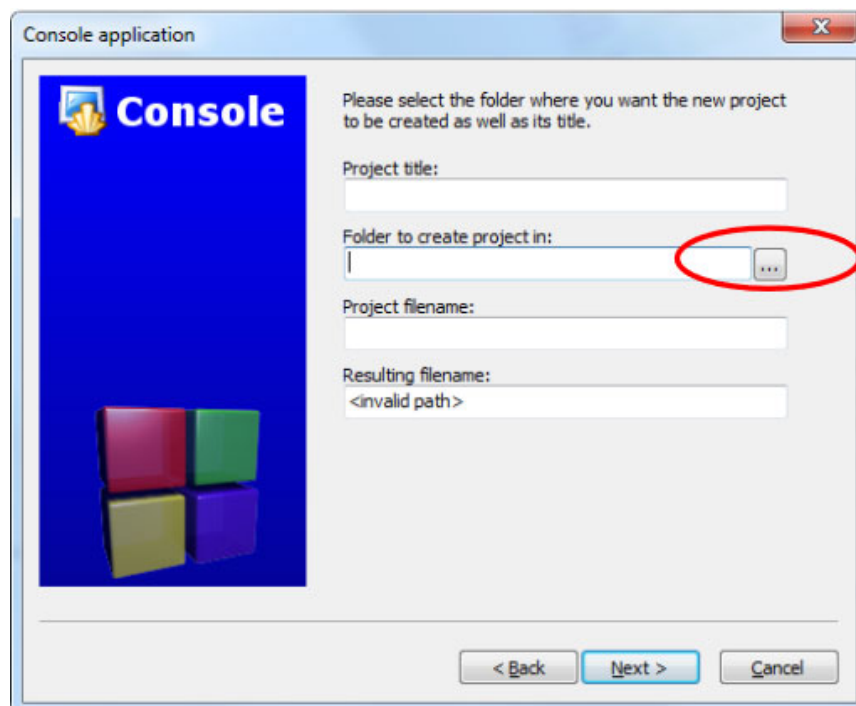
### 4. Click Next



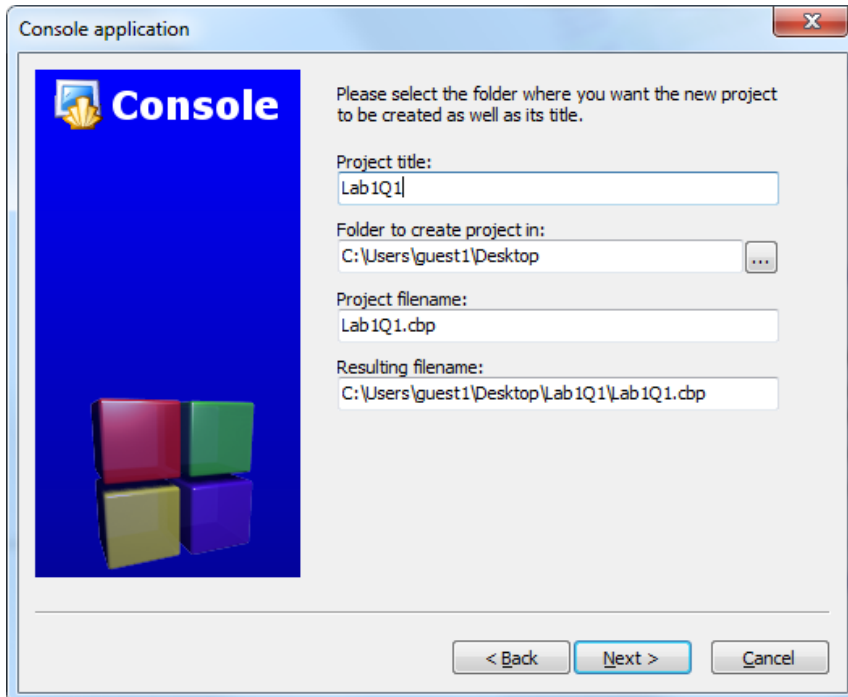
5. Select C as the language



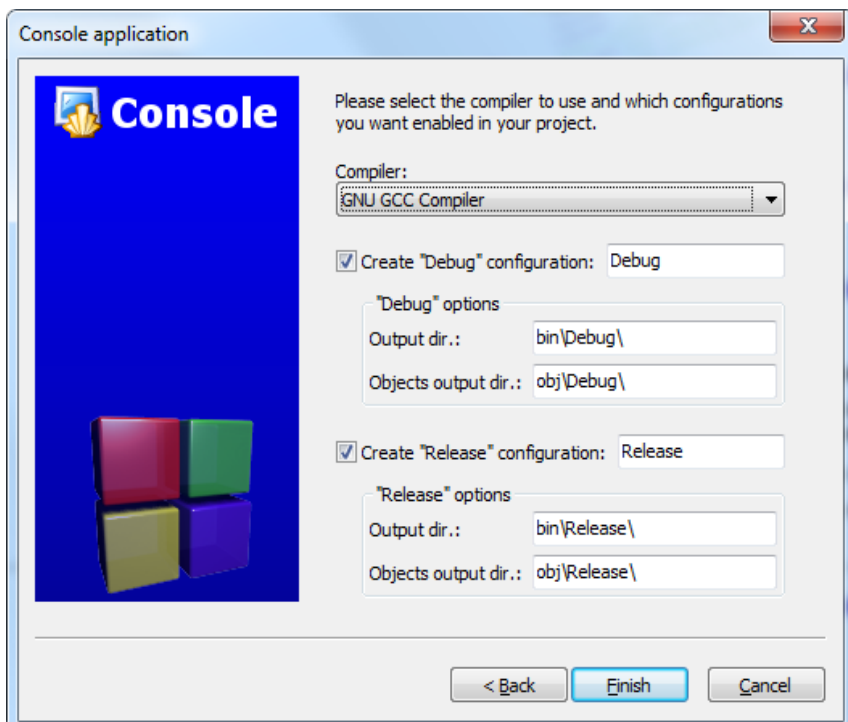
6. Set the path for your new project to the desktop **at Folder to create project in**  
Do remember to copy to your projects to your thumb drive or network drive for backup.



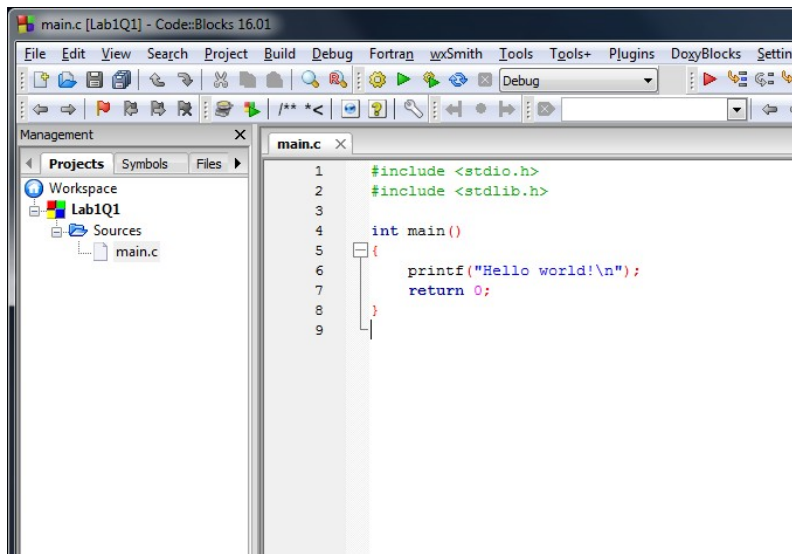
7. Input **Project title** and click **Next**



8. Click **Finish**



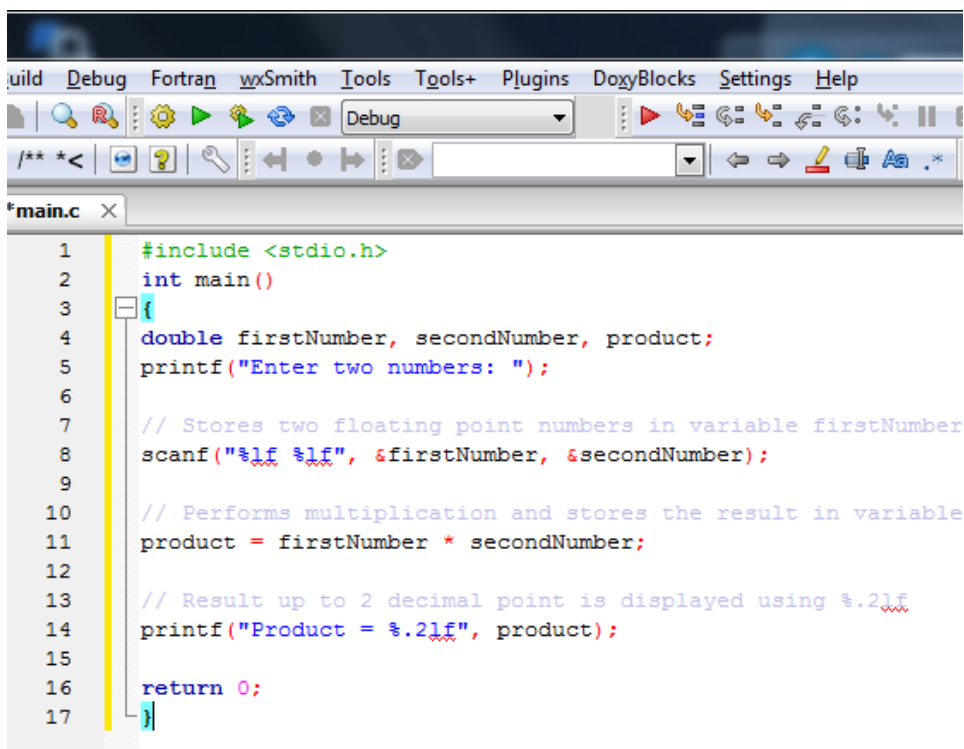
9. At **Projects Tab->Workspace**, your project will be generated with a default **main.c** file



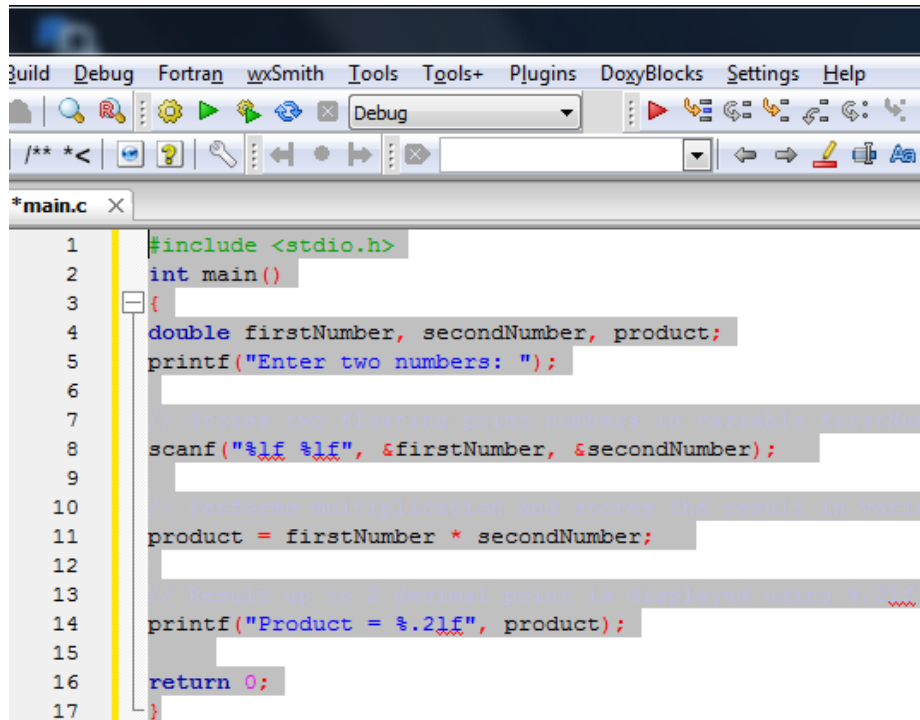
10. You may begin your coding on the main.c file

## Auto Styling of Code

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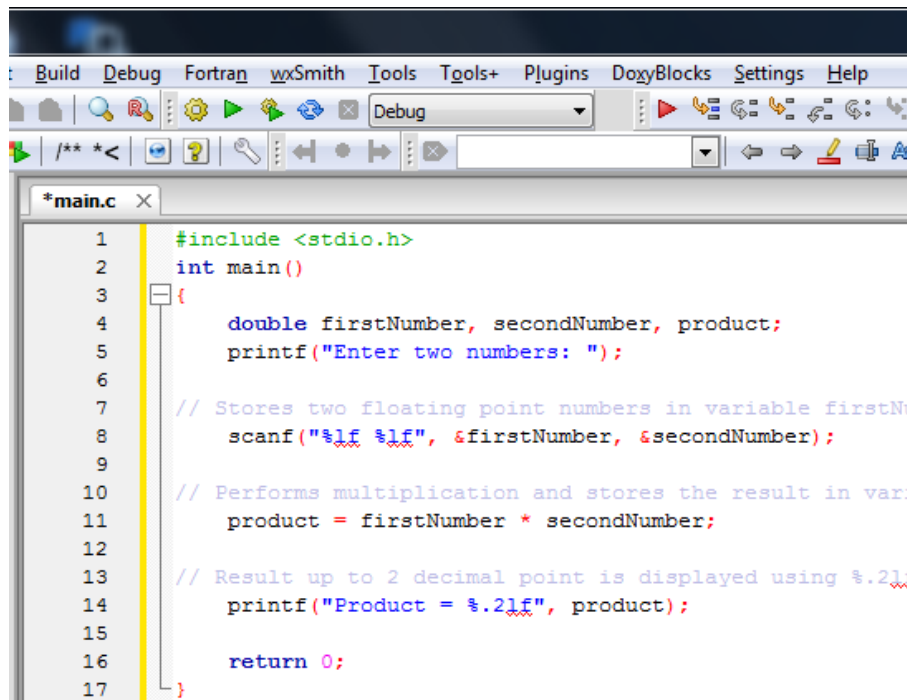


2. Press **Ctrl + a** to highlight all the code, **right Click** on the mouse and select **Format Use AStyle**



```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main()
3  {
4      double firstNumber, secondNumber, product;
5      printf("Enter two numbers: ");
6
7      // Stores two floating point numbers in variable firstNumber
8      scanf("%lf %lf", &firstNumber, &secondNumber);
9
10     // Performs multiplication and stores the result in variable product
11     product = firstNumber * secondNumber;
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13     // Result up to 2 decimal point is displayed using %.2lf
14     printf("Product = %.2lf", product);
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16     return 0;
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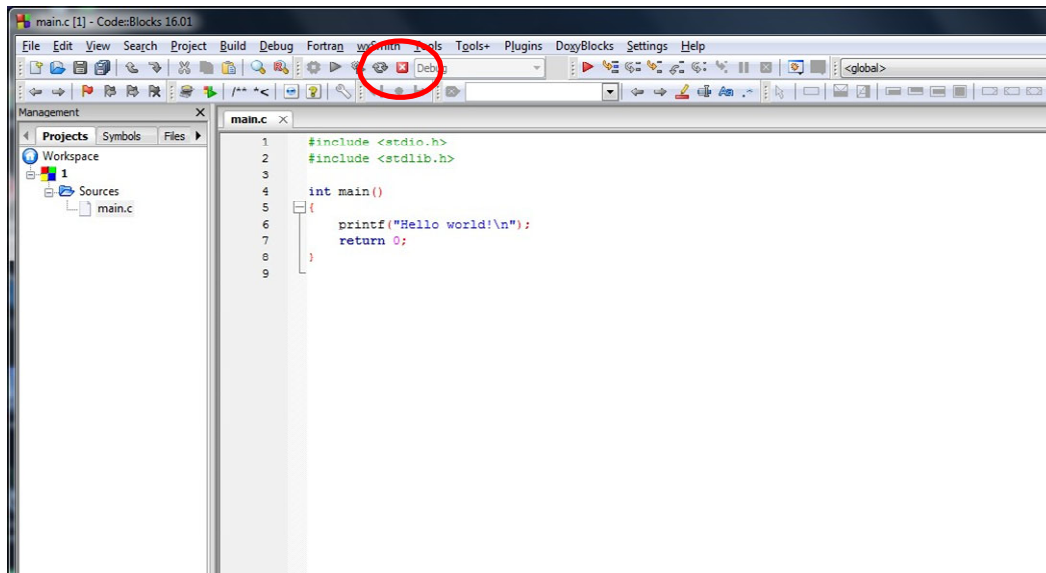
3. After formatting



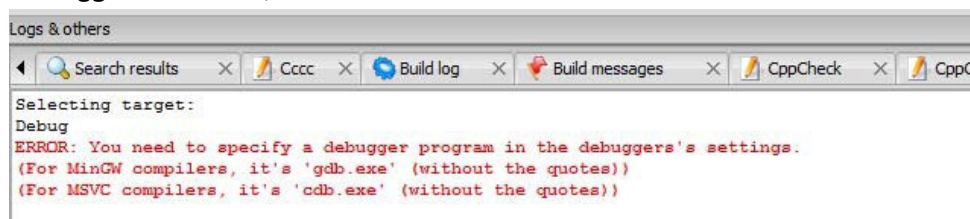
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## CodeBlocks' Common Errors

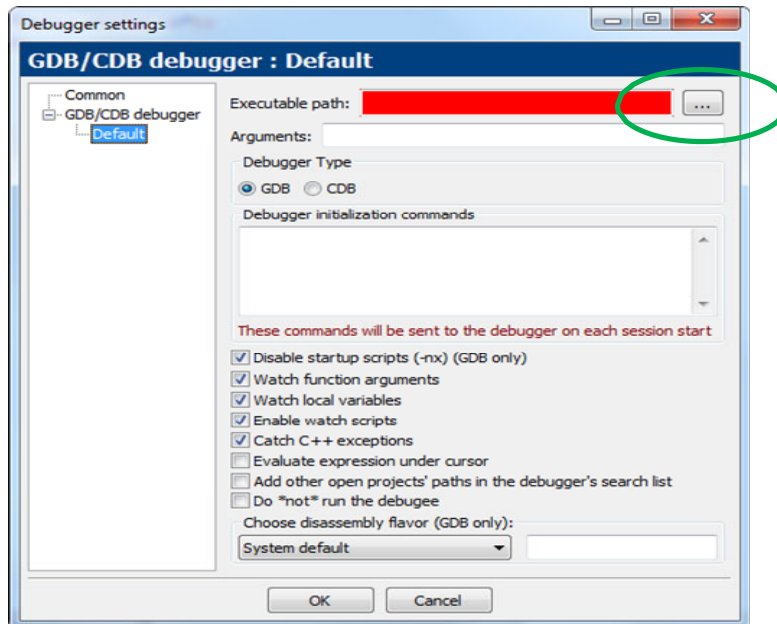
1. Codeblocks cannot build after pressing abort button on the toolbar
  - Save your project restart Codeblock
  - Do not use the abort button, close your console application directly to end



2. No permission to overwrite the “.exe” file
  - Go to the **Task Manager->Applications** (Windows 10: **Task Manager->Details**)
  - At **Tasks** end the project's “.exe”
3. Cannot run debugger  
To use the debugger, you must create a project for your code.
4. Debugger not found, common in version **17.12**



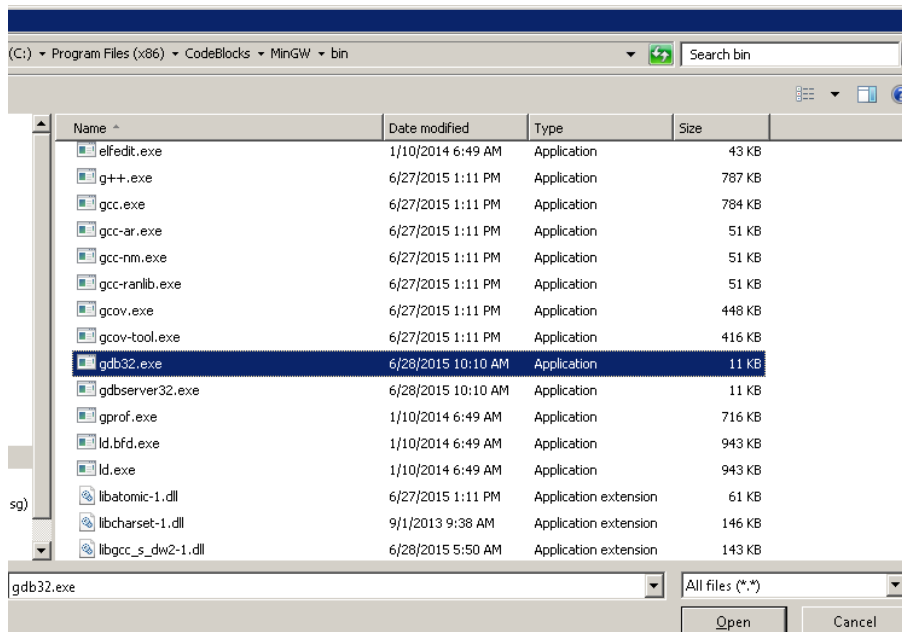
- Go to Settings->Debugger...->GDB/CDB debugger->Default->Executable path



- Set the path for debugger pointing where Codeblocks is being installed.  
For Example:

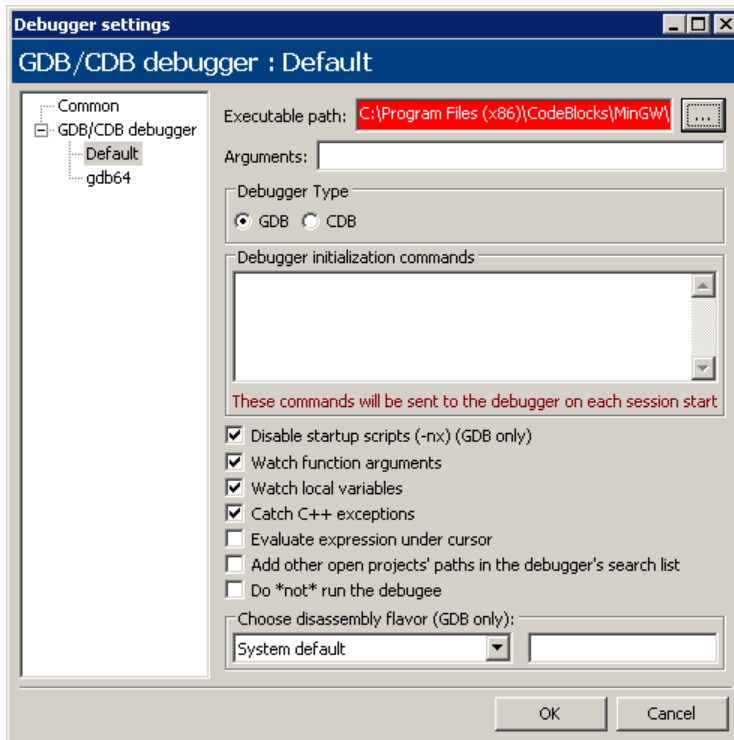
**C:\Program Files (x86)\CodeBlocks\MinGW\bin**

- Select the file **gdb** or **gdb32**
- Click **Open**





- Click **OK**



## References

1. <http://www.codeblocks.org/downloads>