

# Build Environment Setup - Eclipse

This document illustrates how to build Realtek Wi-Fi SDK under Eclipse environment.

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## 1 Introduction

This document illustrates how to build Realtek Wi-Fi SDK and download it to flash under Eclipse + GDB environment. In this document, we use Windows 7 64-bit as our platform but it should be applicable for other Windows platforms. Note that for now, **Linux platform is not supported yet**.

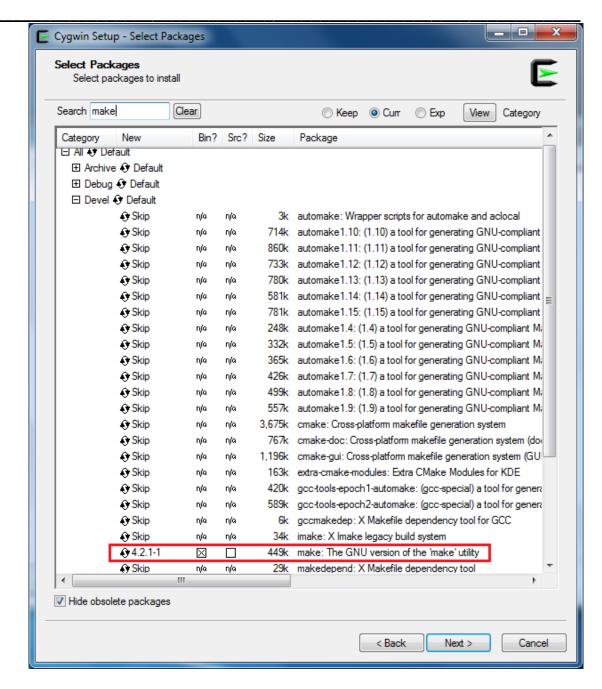
# 2 Environment setup

# 2.1 Cygwin package

Since we use GNU make builder to build our SDK, we need to install Cygwin for the GNU tools. Cygwin is a large collection of GNU and open source tools which provide functionality similar to a Linux distribution on Windows. Please check <a href="http://cygwin.com">http://cygwin.com</a> and download the Cygwin package for your Windows platform. During the installation of Cygwin package, please include 'Devel -> make' utilities on the Select Packages step:







After the installation, please add the Cygwin installation path to system path. For example, append "C:\cygwin64\bin\" to the value of Path system variable which located at Control Panel -> System and Security -> System -> Advanced System Settings -> Advanced System Settings -> Advanced tab -> Environment Variables -> Path.



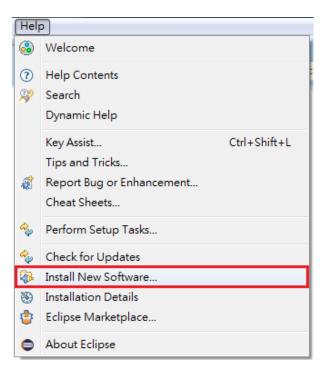
## 2.2 Eclipse environment

## 2.2.1 Eclipse IDE installation

For the Eclipse environment, we need to get "Eclipse IDE for C/C++ developers". Please make sure you have installed Java Runtime Environment (JRE) before installing Eclipse environment. In this document we use JRE 8 as the java platform but you can simply get the newest version from <a href="http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html">http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html</a>. And for "Eclipse IDE for C/C++ developers", we use the Mars release version which you can download from <a href="http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/eclipse-ide-cc-developers/marsr">http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/eclipse-ide-cc-developers/marsr</a>. After the download procedure finished, un-compress it and execute the eclipse.exe inside the unzipped eclipse/folder to start the Eclipse IDE.

## 2.2.2 Plugin installation

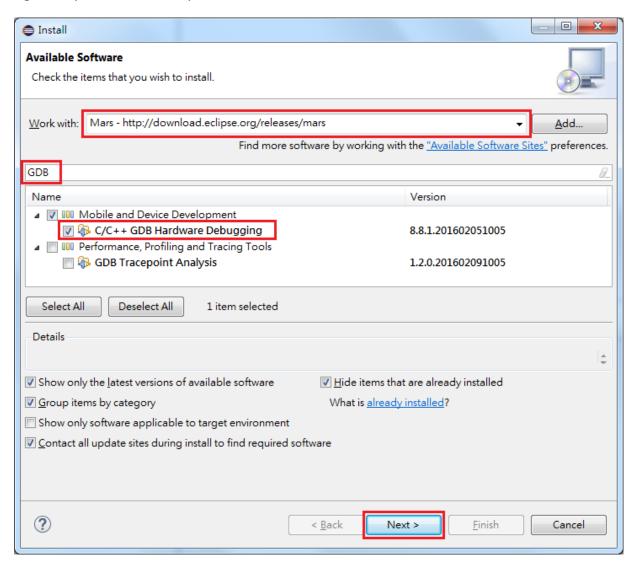
Now, we need to install "C/C++ GDB Hardware Debugging" plugin since we want to use GDB debugger in Eclipse environment. Please click "Help -> Install New Software..." on the top of the Eclipse IDE.



In the popped out window, you should choose an available server side on the section "Work with:" to get the available software. You can simply click the dropdown button to choose a software side. For example, we select the side called "Mars" and the middle section will shows the available software you can install in a few seconds. Please find the software named "C/C++



GDB Hardware Debugging" and select it. You can type "GDB" inside the "type filter text" box to help you locate the plug-in we need (like below figure). Make sure you select the "C/C++ GDB Hardware Debugging" and then finish its installation process by simply keep clicking "Next" button and accept its license agreement. It will take a few minutes to install it and at the end it might ask you to restart Eclipse IDE to make it work.

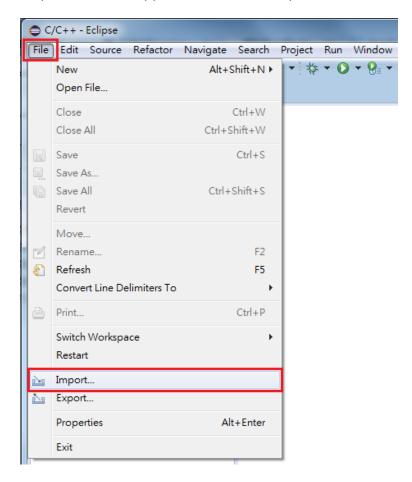




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## 2.2.3 Import Ameba SDK application

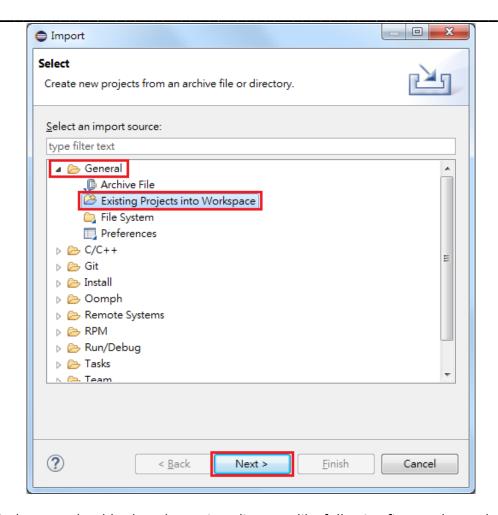
After the plugin installation, we now import the application project into Eclipse workspace. Please click "File -> Import..." on the upper left corner of Eclipse IDE:



It should pop out an "Import" window, please select "General -> Existing Projects into Workspace" and click "Next" button:



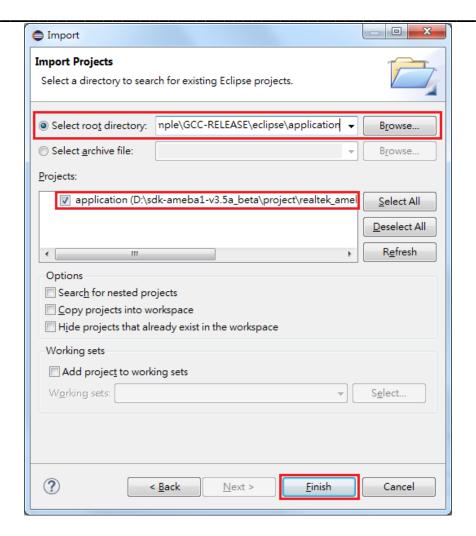




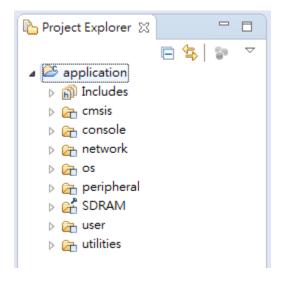
In next window you should select the project directory like following figure. Please check "Select root directory" and click the "Browse..." button on the right-hand side to select \SDK\_LOC\project\realtek\_ameba1\_va0\_example\GCC-RELEASE\eclipse\application folder. You should be able to see "application" is showed in the "Projects" section at the middle of the window. Click "Finish" button to finish the import procedure.







There should be an "application" project in "Project Explorer" view. The source files of SDK are listed under their corresponding directories in the project.

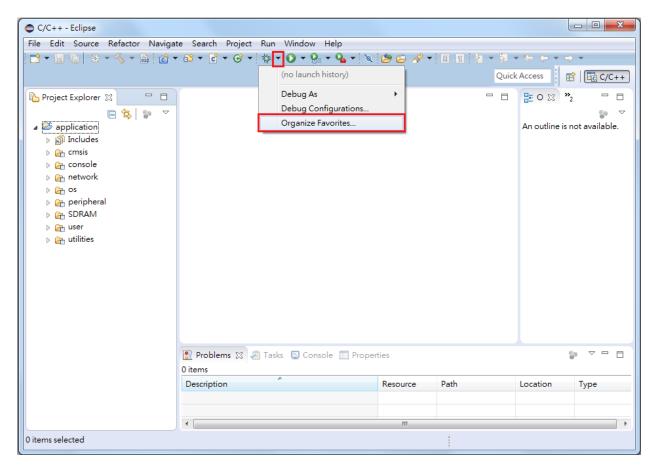




## 2.2.4 Configure debug and external tool launchers

After the import process finished, we now need to configure debug and external tools for ram debug and flash download. These debug and external tools launchers are located in .setting/folder. Please add these launchers to your Eclipse workspace by following the below steps.

For debug launchers, please click "Debug -> Organize Favorites...":



If the popped out window does not contains "application J-Link Debug" and "application OpenOCD Debug" launchers like below figure, click the "Add..." button to add them.





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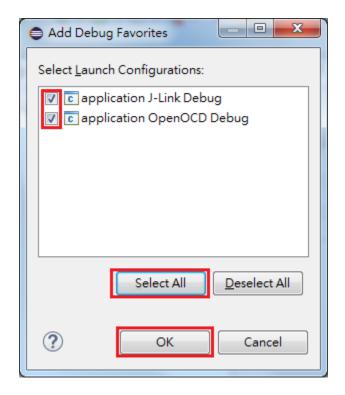
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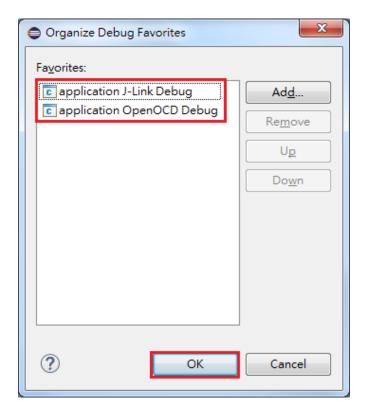
Click "Select All" to select both "application J-Link Debug" and "application OpenOCD Debug" launchers and click "OK".





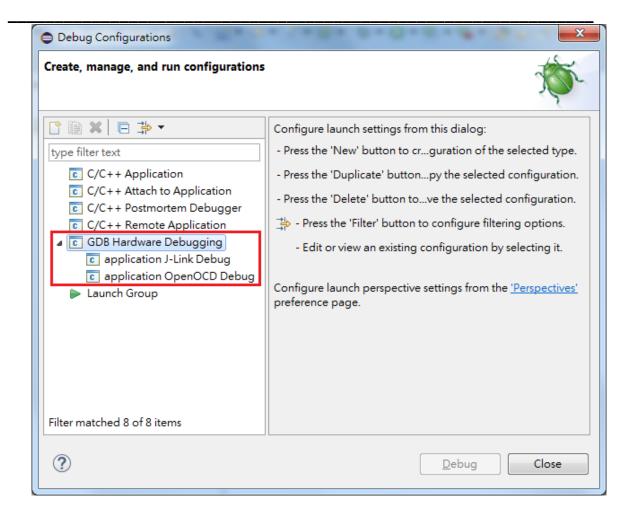


The two debug launchers should be included in "Organize Debug Favorites" window. Click "OK" to finish the setting.



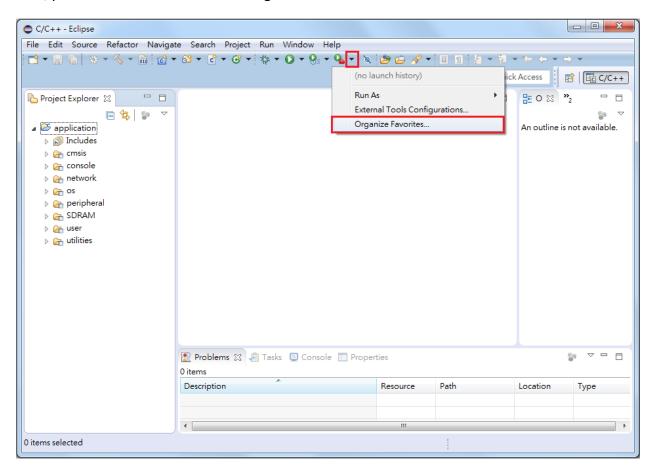
After the debug launchers setting, you can check "Run -> Debug Configurations..." on the top of IDE and you should see two debug configurations which are for J-Link debugger and OpenOCD/CMSIS-DAP debugger under the "GDB Hardware Debugging" entry. These two debug configurations will be introduced later in Sec. 3.3.







And for external tools launchers, the setting steps are quite similar to debug launchers setting. First, please click "External Tools -> Organize Favorites...":



If the popped out window does not contains "application JLink flash download" and "application OpenOCD flash download" launchers like below figure, click the "Add..." button to add them.





Organize External Tools Favorites

Favorites:

Add...

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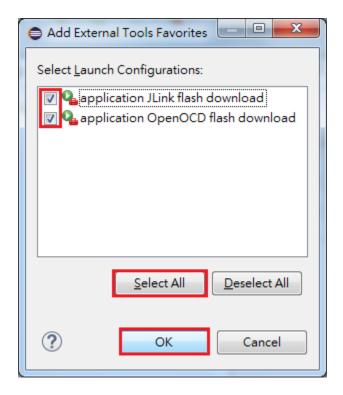
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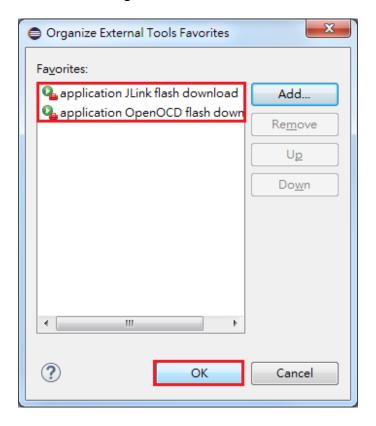
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Click "Select All" to select both "application JLink flash download" and "application OpenOCD flash download" launchers and click "OK".





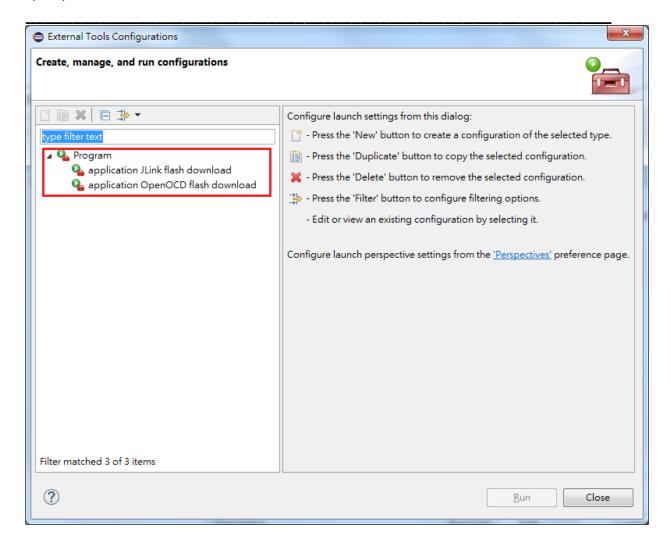
The two external tools launchers should be included in "Organize External Tools Favorites" window. Click "OK" to finish the setting.



After the external tool launchers setting, you can check "Run -> External Tools -> External Tools Configurations..." on the top of IDE and you should see two external tool configurations which are for J-Link download and OpenOCD/CMSIS-DAP download under the "Program" entry. These two download configurations will be introduced later in Sec.3.2.







## 2.3 Debugger setting

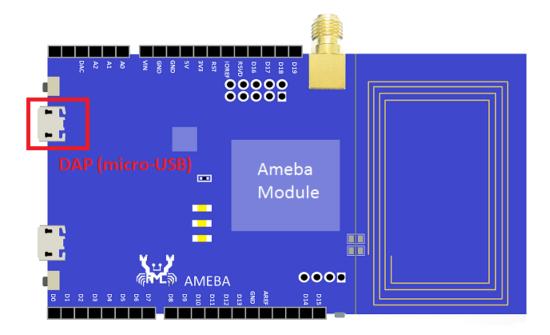
Ameba Device Board supports CMSIS-DAP and J-Link for code download and enter debugger mode with GDB. Although we have integrated the download and debug procedure into Eclipse IDE, you still need to start its corresponding GDB server in advance. The settings for these two different debuggers are described below.

## 2.3.1 OpenOCD/CMSIS-DAP

Ameba Device Board supports CMSIS-DAP debugger. We can use OpenOCD/CMSIS-DAP to download the software and enter debug mode under Eclipse + GDB environment. It requires installing "serial to USB driver" at first. Serial to USB driver can be found in tools/serial\_to\_usb/mbedWinSerial\_16466.zip.



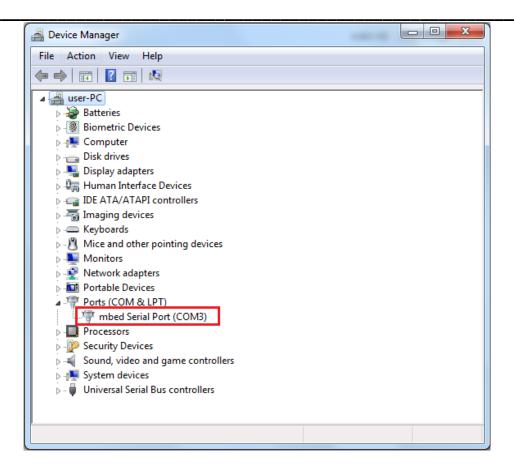
Connect board to the PC with micro-USB cable:



If Serial to USB driver has been installed and the board is connected to PC, there should be mbed Serial Port shown in Device Manager.



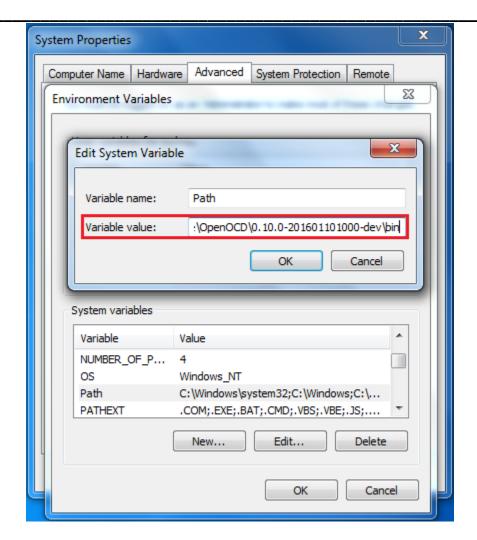




It also requires installing OpenOCD on your platform. Please check <a href="http://openocd.org">http://openocd.org</a> to get the binary package (<a href="https://github.com/gnuarmeclipse/openocd/releases">https://github.com/gnuarmeclipse/openocd/releases</a>). Then install OpenOCD and add the bin files to Environment Variables Path (Control Panel -> System and Security -> System -> Advanced System Settings -> Advanced tab -> Environment Variables -> Path).







If OpenOCD has been installed correctly, execute project\realtek\_ameba1\_va0\_example\GCC-RELEASE\run\_openocd.bat to start GDB server and you should see some messages like below figure. This window should **NOT** be closed if you want to download software or enter debugger.

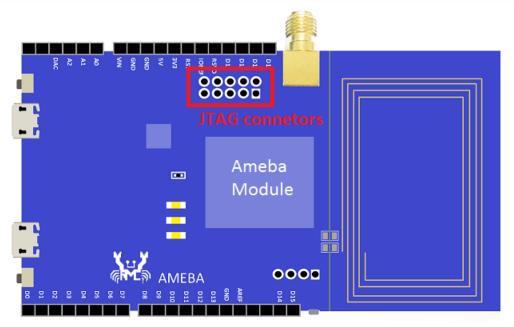


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C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
D:\sdk-ameba1-v3.5a_beta_v2\project\realtek_ameba1_va0_example\GCC-RELEASE>openo
cd -f interface\cmsis-dap.cfg -f ..\..\component\soc\realtek\8195a\misc\gcc_u
GNU ARM Eclipse 64-bits Open On-Chip Debugger 0.10.0-dev-00287-g85cec24-dirty (2
016-01-10-10:13>
Licensea unaer GNU GPL VZ
For bug reports, read
        http://openocd.org/doc/doxygen/bugs.html
Info : only one transport option; autoselect 'swd'
adapter speed: 10 kHz
adapter_nsrst_delay: 200
cortex_m reset_config sysresetreq
Info : CMSIS-DAP: SWD Supported
Info : CMSIS-DAP: Interface Initialised (SWD)
Info : CMSIS-DAP: FW Version = 1.0
Info : SWCLK/TCK = 1 SWDIO/TMS = 1 TDI = 0 TDO = 0 nTRST = 0 nRESET = 1
Info : CMSIS-DAP: Interface ready
Info : clock speed 10 kHz
Info : SWD IDCODE 0x2ba01477
Info : rt18195a.cpu: hardware has 6 breakpoints, 4 watchpoints
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### 2.3.2 **J-Link**

Ameba Device Board also supports J-Link debugger. To use J-Link debugger we need to do some hardware configuration. Please weld JTAG connectors to HDK board and connect with pitch 2.54mm 2x5pins connector. The JTAG pin definitions are listed on the bottom side. And it is recommended to weld the connector on the bottom side. After finish this configuration, please connect it to PC side. Note that if you are using Virtual Machine as your platform, please make sure the USB connection setting between VM host and client is correct so that the VM client can detect the device.





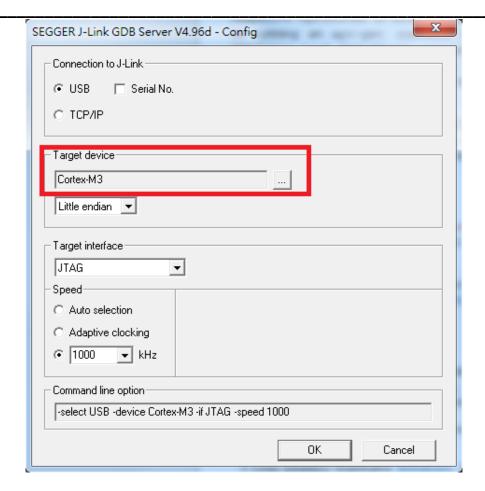


#### 2.54mm 2x5pins connector (or use Dupont Line)

Besides the hardware configuration, it also requires installing J-Link GDB server. For Windows, please check <a href="http://www.segger.com">http://www.segger.com</a> and download "J-Link Software and Documentation Pack" (<a href="https://www.segger.com/downloads/jlink">https://www.segger.com/downloads/jlink</a>). After the installation of the software pack, you should see a tool named "J-Link GDB Server". Execute the J-Link GDB Server tool and choose the target device to Cortex-M3 to start GDB server:



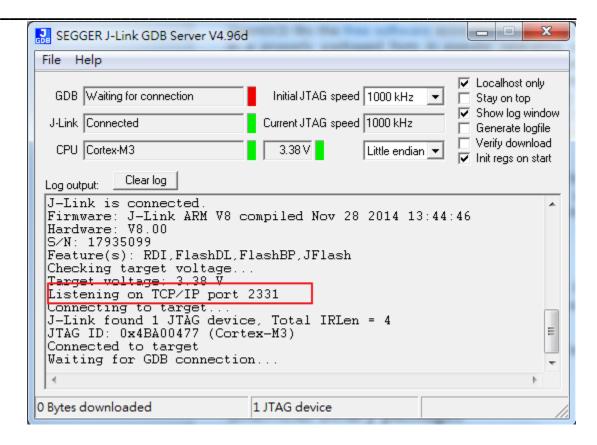




The started J-Link GDB server should looks like below figure. And this window should **NOT** be closed if you want to download software or enter GDB debugger mode.

In the log console, make sure the TCP/IP port is **2331** which should be the same as default setting in component\soc\realtek\8195a\misc\gcc\_utility\eclipse\rtl\_gdb\_flash\_write.txt and the J-Link debug configuration so that Eclipse can connect to the GDB server successfully.





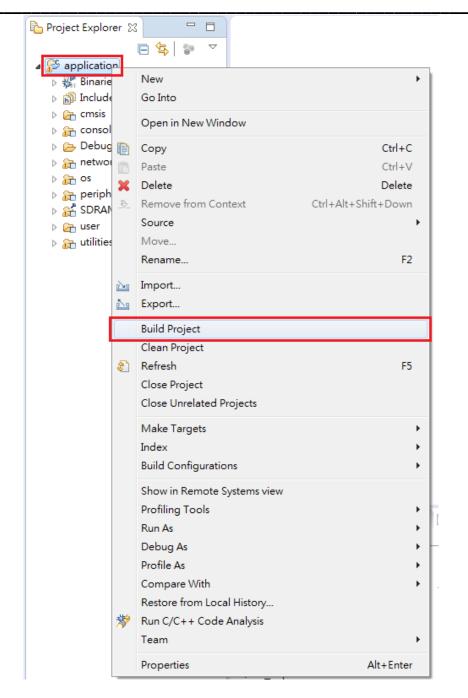
# 3 How to build, download and enter debug mode

In this section, we illustrate how to build, download, and enter debug mode. Note that in Sec. 3.2 the code is downloaded to flash but in Sec. 3.3 the code is written into RAM before we enter debug mode.

## 3.1 Build code

To build the SDK, please right click the "application" project in the "Project Explorer" view and click "Build Project".





If the application built successfully, the console should display some message like following figure:





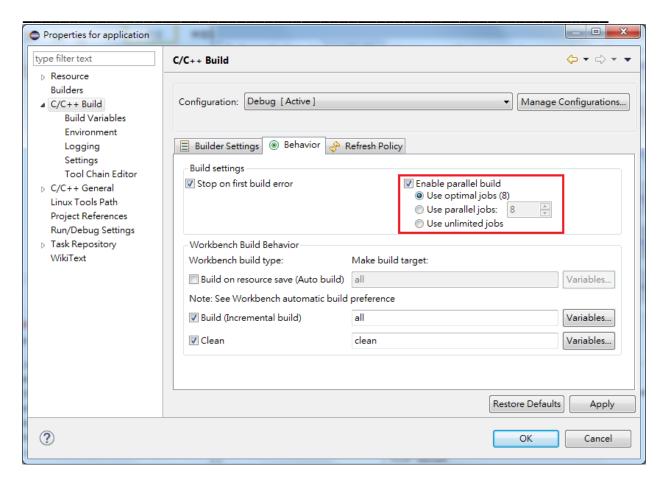
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Problems  a Tasks ☐ Console ⋈ ☐ Properties
CDT Build Console [application]
/usr/bin/make --no-print-directory post-build
PROJ_LOC\..\..\..\..\..\..\component\soc\realtek\8195a\misc\gcc_utility\eclipse\postbuild_eclipse_win.bat
0x10006000
0x30000000
0x100519e8
0x3000d70c
b:268460032 s:268460032 e:268769768
size 309736
copy size 309736
b:805306368 s:805306368 e:805361420
size 55052
copy size 55052
       1 file(s) copied.
total 44 k, padding data ff, name .\ram_1.p.bin
Original size 15032
Padding size 45056
.\ram_1.p.bin
.\ram 2.p.bin
.\ram_3.p.bin
       1 file(s) copied.
.\ram_2.p.bin
.\ram 3.p.bin
       1 file(s) copied.
13:37:32 Build Finished (took 54s.779ms)
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**Note.** If you get "Program "make" not found in PATH" error message in the console means that somehow the Cygwin path is not set correctly. Please refer to Sec. 4.2 to troubleshoot it. And if you get some header file not found error, please refer to Sec. 4.3 to fix it.

And if you want to speed up the compile procedure, you can enable the parallel build option to make it not compile one file after another, but instead spawn a set of parallel builds. But note that since we would un-compress the gcc tool chain (tools\arm-none-eabi-gcc\) during prebuild step, enabling parallel build might cause the compile process has been started but the tool chain is not ready yet and cause errors. Fortunately, the un-compress tool chain procedure only needs to be executed one time. So we suggest that for the first project build, do **NOT** enable parallel build. After first successful build, you can enable the parallel build options as default.

To enable parallel build, please right-click "application" project and select "Properties". Choose "C/C++ Build" -> "Behavior" tag and click "Enable parallel build" on the right side like following figure. After apply this configuration, re-compile the project and you should find that it would cost less time.

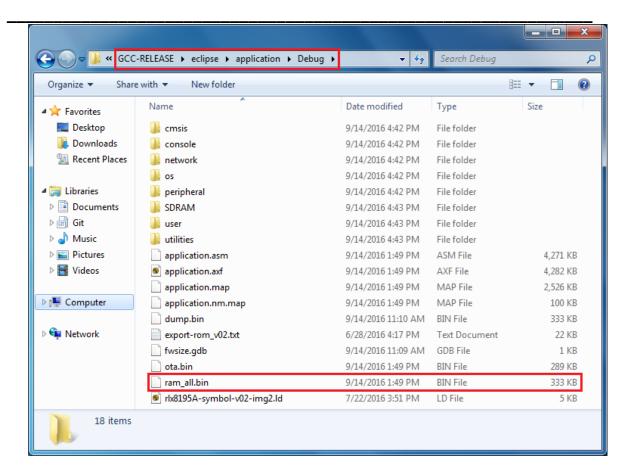




After successfully build, there should be a directory named "Debug" created under project\realtek\_ameba1\_va0\_example\GCC-RELEASE\eclipse\application directory. The image file (ram\_all.bin) is located in Debug\:



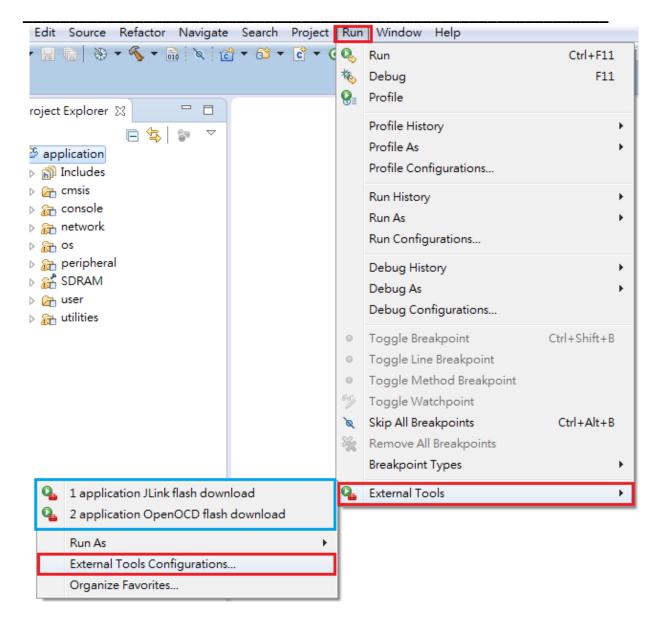




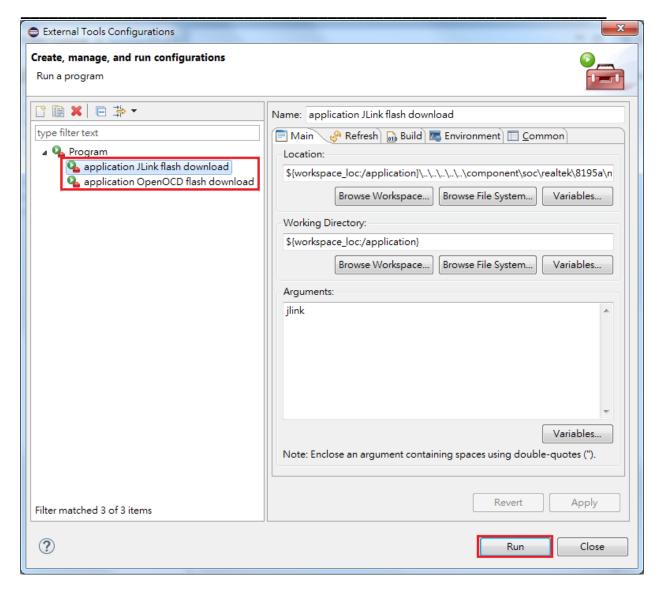
### 3.2 Download code to flash

To download software into Ameba Device Board, please make sure steps mentioned in Sec. 2.3 are done and the GDB server is started whether you are using OpenOCD/CMSIS-DAP or J-Link as GDB server. Click "Run -> External Tools -> External Tools Configurations..." and then choose "application JLink flash download / application OpenOCD flash download" to start the download procedure. Or you can just click "Run -> External Tools -> application JLink flash download / application OpenOCD flash download" to start it.









The download procedure would take a few seconds to finish. And it might also build the project before downloading to flash depends on the project status. After successful download, you might see some message like below figure in the "Console" view.

**Note.** If the download procedure hangs for a long time, you can check Sec. 4.4 to troubleshoot the issue by updating newest DAP firmware.

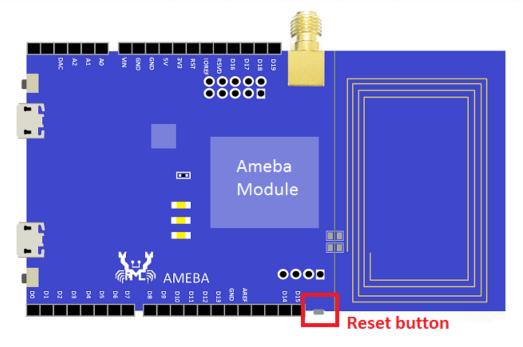


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<terminated> application OpenOCD flash download [Program] D:\sdk-ameba1-v3.5a_beta\component\soc\r.
Breakpoint 2, RtlFlashProgram () at rtl flash download.c:524
       in rtl flash download.c
FILEENDADDR$334 = 0x52800
$335 = 0x52800
Restoring binary file ./Debug/ram_all.bin into memory (0x10022fc8 to 0x100237c8)
Breakpoint 2, RtlFlashProgram () at rtl_flash_download.c:524
     in rtl flash download.c
FILEENDADDR$336 = 0x53000
Restoring binary file ./Debug/ram all.bin into memory (0x10022fc8 to 0x10023145)
Breakpoint 2, RtlFlashProgram () at rtl_flash_download.c:524
       in rtl flash download.c
dump for check
start addr of dumping$337 = 0x98000000
end addr of dumping$338 = 0x9805317d
Breakpoint 3: file rtl flash download.c, line 556.
Breakpoint 3, RtlFlashProgram () at rtl_flash_download.c:556
       in rtl flash download.c
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And if you have started the Ameba serial console during the procedure you will see it also display the flash download message:

After the flash download finished, press the Reset button on device board and you should see that the device now is booted with new image.



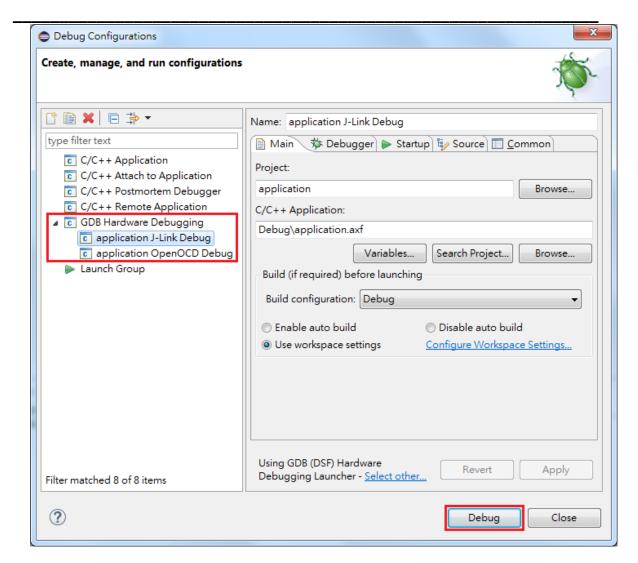


## 3.3 Download and debug in RAM

This section describes how to debug application project under Eclipse IDE. For the entire debug procedure, the code would be downloaded into RAM before entering debug mode. As we described in Sec. 2.2, we use "GDB Hardware debugging" plug-in to enter GDB debugger mode under Eclipse environment. Please make sure the GDB server whether is OpenOCD or J-Link has been started as we described in Sec. 2.3 before entering debug mode. To start the debug procedure, click "Run -> Debug Configurations..." on the top of Eclipse IDE and then choose "application J-Link Debug / application OpenOCD Debug" under "GDB Hardware Debugging" entry in the left side of popped out window. Click "Debug" button and the debug procedure would start.

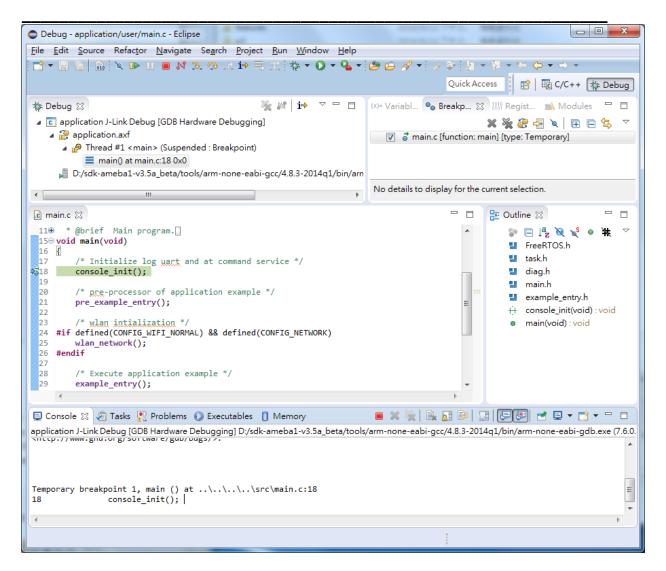






After a few seconds, Eclipse would switch to "Debug" perspective as the following figure. Note that if you are using OpenOCD as GDB server, the procedure might take longer time than J-Link. As you can see in the figure, the program should be suspended at *console\_init()* statement since we have inserted a breakpoint at *main* function by default. Note that if you find that the program counter would jump to incorrect place when you click "Step" button during the debug procedure, please refer to Sec. 4.7 to troubleshoot it.





# 4 Troubleshooting

# 4.1 Unable to execute run\_openocd.bat normally on Windows

On Windows platform, if you cannot execute run\_openocd.bat normally and the pop out window always crash, the reason might be OpenOCD has not been correctly installed or the connection between PC and Ameba has some problem.

To check whether OpenOCD has been correctly installed, you can simply type "openocd" on cmd window. You should see the debug message like following figure if the OpenOCD has been January 17, 2017



installed right. If you see message like "openocd is not recognized as an internal or external command..." instead of above message, it means that OpenOCD did not installed correctly. In this case, please make sure the steps in Sec. 2.3.1 are all done correctly especially the environment variable path configuration part.

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C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\Users\ypchiu>openocd
GNU ARM Eclipse 64-bits Open On-Chip Debugger 0.10.0-dev-00287-g85cec24-dirty (2
016-01-10-10:13)
Licensed under GNU GPL v2
For bug reports, read
       http://openocd.org/doc/doxygen/bugs.html
embedded:startup.tcl:60: Error: Can't find openocd.cfg
in procedure 'script'
at file "embedded:startup.tcl", line 60
Error: Debug Adapter has to be specified, see "interface" command
embedded:startup.tcl:60: Error:
in procedure 'script'
at file "embedded:startup.tcl", line 60
C:\Users\ypchiu>
```

If OpenOCD has been installed correctly but the run\_openocd.bat still cannot run normally, you can try to re-plug the connection between PC and Ameba board. You also can try to execute run\_openocd.sh rather than run\_openocd.bat if you have some Unix-like environment tools, e.g. Cygwin. Below figure illustrates using Cygwin to execute run\_openocd.sh script.





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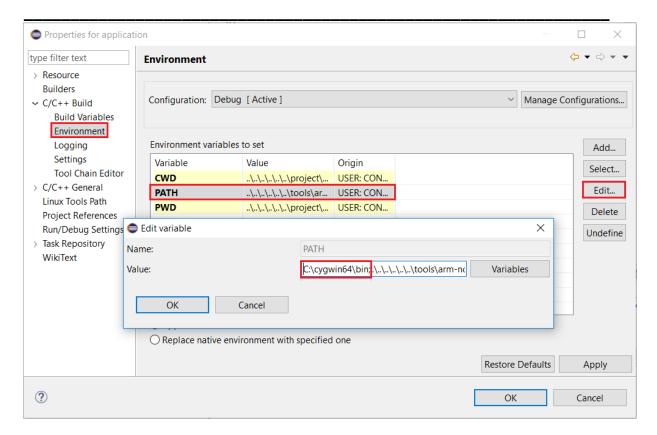
# 4.2 Make not found in PATH error during project building

As we described in Sec. 3.1, if you encounter "Error: Program make not found in PATH" for building project means that the Cygwin path is not set correctly for Eclipse.

Please make sure the path of Cygwin bin file directory (e.g. C:\cygwin64\bin) is appended to Environment Variable Path. After that you need to restart the Eclipse IDE and build the project again.

If the error still existed, you also can modify the Eclipse project environment variable directly. Please right-click "application" project and select "Properties". In the popped out window, select "C/C++ Build" -> "Environment" and edit the "PATH" variable. For example, we append the bin files path "C:\cygwin64\bin\;" in front of the variable value like below figure.





## 4.3 Build fail due to relative path header file not found

If the build project procedure terminates due the some header file not found and the header file is included with relative path, it may be caused by the long project path. The length of include path may exceed the maximum limit. For example, if you encounter a fatal error like: "fatal error: ../Source/portable/GCC/ARM\_CM3/portmacro.h: No such file or directory". You can try to move the SDK project to other directory with shorter path and import the project again. In this case, we move the project to D:\sdk\ and the error would disappear.





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# 4.4 Eclipse link error

If the build project procedure terminates due to link procedure, and it is reported that "No such file or directory" in one file, which actually exists and just in lack of one character, it means that the Cygwin path is not set correctly for Eclipse or the "make" function you use is wrong version.

```
'Building file: D:/wenyeh/Desktop/sdk_19557_gcc/sdk-ameba1-v3.5b_beta_v2/component/common/ap
'Invoking: Cross GCC Compiler'
./../../../component/soc/realtek/8195a/misc/gcc_utility/eclipse/compile_dram_eclipse_
'Finished building: D:/wenyeh/Desktop/sdk_19557_gcc/sdk-ameba1-v3.5b_beta_v2/component/commo
'Building target: application.axf'
'Invoking: Cross GCC Linker'
arm-none-eabi-gcc -nostartfiles -nodefaultlibs -nostdlib -L"D:\wenyeh\Desktop\sdk_19557_gcc\
arm-none-eabi-gcc: error: ./SDRAM/polarssl/ripemd10.o: No such file or directory
make: *** [application.axf] Error 1

13:54:40 Build Finished (took 1m:52s.462ms)
```

The reason of this problem is that calling wrong "make" will trigger cmd.exe in Windows. However, Using "make" in Cygwin as our document said can avoid this error because in Cygwin sh.exe will dominate instead of cmd.exe.

Therefore, it will be helpful to check that their Cygwin works correctly. In eclispe, go to Project> Properties> C/C++ Build> Environment. You will see three fields, choose PATH. See if the PATH containing Cygwin/bin inside as Section 4.2 said. It is required that the PATH should not contain GnuWin, MinGW... that may have other "make".

It is noted that sometimes the change to the System PATH variable (made from My Computer> Properties> Advanced System Settings...) is NOT reflected in Eclipse, so eclipse should be checked correctly.

## 4.5 Download procedure hang for a long time

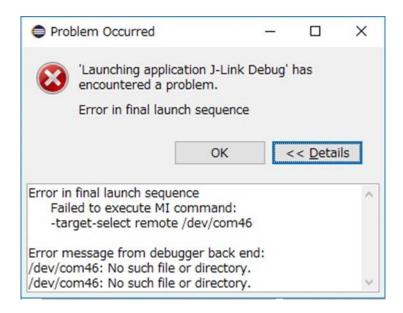
In Sec. 3.2, if the download procedure hang for a long time it might due to the DAP firmware problem on device board. The version of DAP firmware should be greater than (or equal to) v10.2.3 to make download procedure work. To check the version information, you can use text editor to check to content of mbed.htm in MBED drive.



If you find that the DAP firmware version is out of date, you can refer <a href="http://www.amebaiot.com/en/change-dap-firmware/">http://www.amebaiot.com/en/change-dap-firmware/</a> to update the DAP firmware on device board.

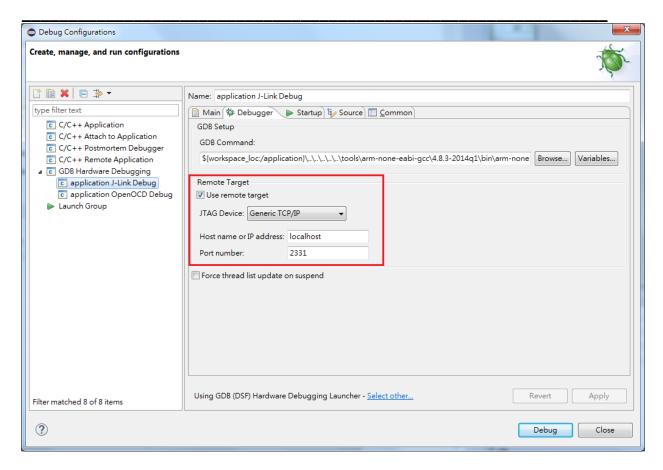
## 4.6 Target error for J-Link debug

In Sec. 3.3 we have described how to enter debug mode under Eclipse + GDB environment. If you start the "application J-Link Debug" but encounter some message which indicate target not found error such as:



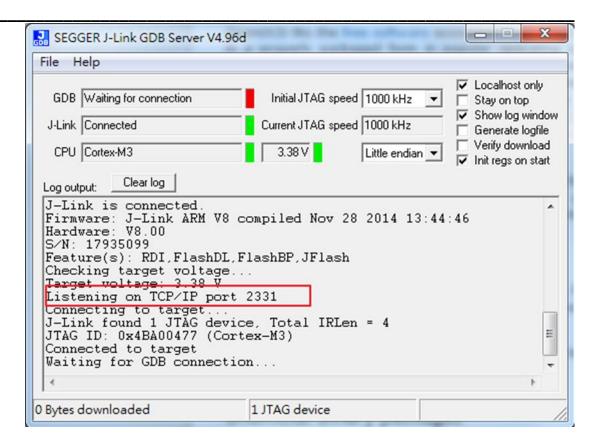
Then you can open the debug configuration for "application J-Link Debug" and check whether the remote target setting is correct. To open the debug configuration, click "Run -> Debug Configurations..." on the top of Eclipse IDE and then choose "application J-Link Debug" under "GDB Hardware Debugging" entry in the left side of popped out window. Navigate to "Debugger" tag and check the "Remote Target" setting:





The remote target should be set as same as above red region area, which is identical to GDB server listening port:





## 4.7 Next step not correct in debug mode

In Sec. 3.3 we have described how to enter debug mode under Eclipse + GDB environment. If you find that the step to step tracing feature ("Step Into" / "Step Over") sometimes would go to wrong program location it might be due to the compiler optimization. To prevent it, you can try to set the compiler optimization level to a lower value. To do this, please right click "application" project in "Project Explorer" view and select "Properties".





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Please select "C/C++ Build -> Settings" at the left side of popped out window and then chose "Tool Settings -> Cross GCC Compiler -> Optimization" at the right side. As in the following figure, the default optimization level is set to "Optimize more (-O2)" and you can change the value to "Optimize (-O1)" from the dropdown button. Click "OK" and re-enter the debug mode the next step feature should act correctly.



