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1. Introduction

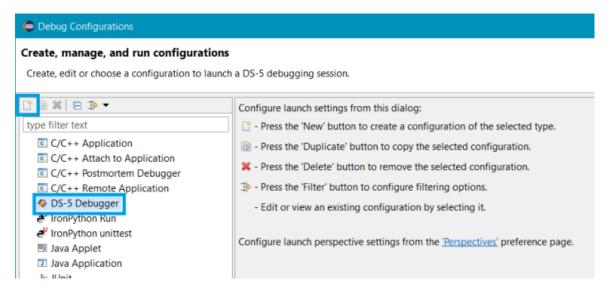
Once you have created the project and built the code, launch the debugger to run the application on one of the Fixed Virtual Platforms (FVP) provided with DS-5.

For this tutorial, we use a Cortex-A9 Fixed Virtual Platform (FVP) which is provided with DS-5.

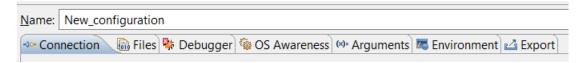
2. Create a DS-5 debug configuration and connect to an FVP

The following steps help you create a DS-5 debug configuration and connecting to an FVP.

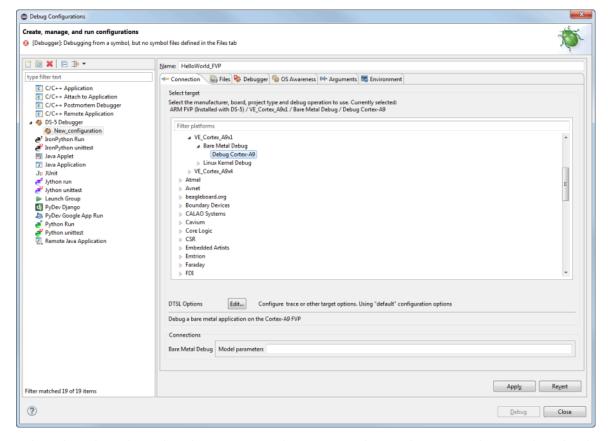
- 1. From the DS-5 main menu, select Run > Debug Configurations.
- 2. In the Debug Configurations dialog:
 - a. Select DS-5 Debugger.
 - b. Click the New launch configuration button.



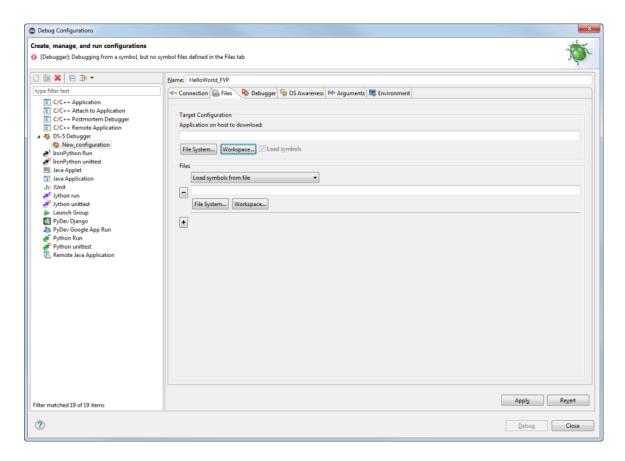
This creates a new DS-5 debug configuration and displays the various tabs required to specify settings for loading your application on the target.



- 3. In the Debug Configurations dialog:
 - a. Give a name to the debug configuration. For example, Helloworld FVP.
 - b. In the Connection tab, under Select Target, browse and select ARM FVP (Installed with DS-5) > VE_Cortex_A9x1 > Bare Metal Debug > Debug Cortex-A9.



c. Select the Files tab, and under Target Configuration in the Application on host to download field, click Workspace.

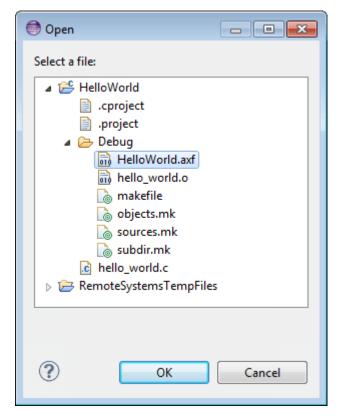


The Workspace contains the Helloworld.axf application file you created when you built the Hello World project.

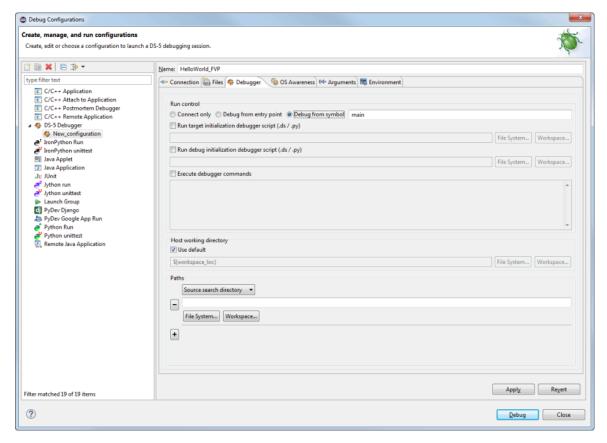


Ensure that the Load symbols option is selected.

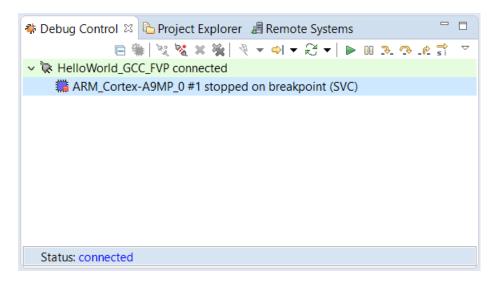
d. Select HelloWorld.axf.



e. Select the Debugger tab, and ensure the Debug from symbol option is selected and set to main.



- f. Click Debug to load the application on the target, and load the debug information into the debugger.
- g. In the Confirm Perspective Switch dialog that appears, click Yes. DS-5 connects to the model and displays the connection status in the Debug Control view.



The application is loaded on the target, and has stopped at the main() function, ready to run.

```
c hello_world.c 
2 * hello_world.c...
4 
5 #include <stdio.h>
6 int main()
7 
7 
8     printf("Hello World\n");
9 }
10
```

h. Click to continue running the application. You can view the application output in the Target Console view.

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App Console Target Console Server Log Console Console
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Other views display information relevant to the debug connection

• Commands view displays messages output by the debugger. Also use this view to enter DS-5 commands.

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🚾 Commands 🛭 🗰 History 🤏 Scripts
                                      Linked: HelloWorld_FVP -
Connected to stopped target ARM FVP (Installed with DS-5) - VE_Cortex_A9x1
Execution stopped at: S:0x00000000
loadfile "C:\DS-5_Workspace\Hello World\Debug\Hello World.axf"
S:0x00000000 DCI
                       0xe7ff0010 ; ? Undefined
Loaded section ER_RO: S:0x800000000 ~ S:0x8000013AB (size 0x13AC)
Loaded section ER_RW: S:0x800013AC ~ S:0x800013BB (size 0x10)
Entry point S:0x80000000
cd "C:\DS-5_Workspace"
Semihosting server socket created at port 8000
Semihosting enabled automatically due to semihosting symbol detected in image 'Hello World.axf'
Working directory "C:\DS-5_Workspace"
set debug-from main
start
Starting target with image C:\DS-5_Workspace\Hello World\Debug\Hello World.axf
Running from entry point
Execution stopped at breakpoint 1: S:0x800000B4
In hello_world.c
S:0x800000B4 7,1
Deleted temporary breakpoint: 1
wait
wait
continue
Execution stopped at: S:0x80001124
In _sys_exit (no debug info)
S:0x80001124
             SVC
                        #0x123456
Command: Press (Ctrl+Space) for Content Assist
                                                                                           Submit
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• C/C++ Editor view shows the structure of the active C, C++, or makefile. The view is updated as you edit these files.

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2⊕ * hello_world.c...

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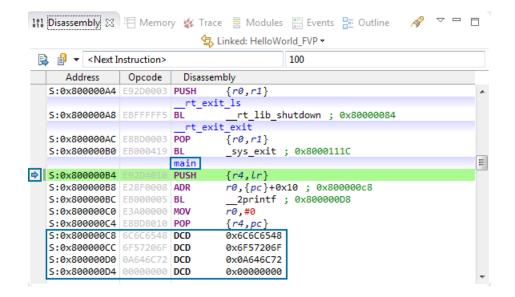
5 #include <stdio.h>
6⊖ int main()

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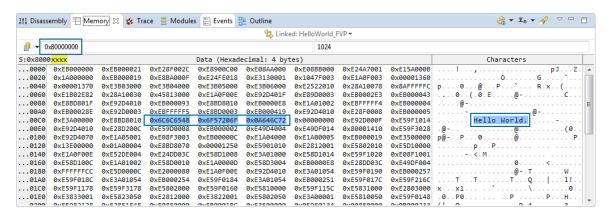
8 printf("Hello World\n");
9

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 Disassembly view shows the loaded program in memory as addresses and assembler instructions.



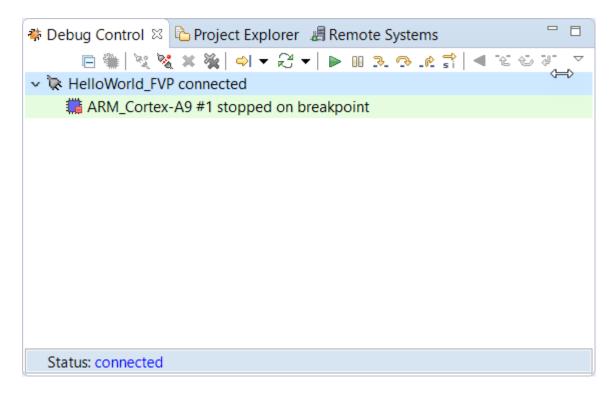
- Indicates the location in the code where your program is stopped. In this case, it is at the main() function.
- Memory view shows how the code is represented in the target memory. For example, to view how the string Hello World from the application is represented in memory:
 - 1. Open the Memory view.
 - 2. In the Address field, enter 0x8000000 and press Enter on your keyboard. The view displays contents of the target's memory.
 - 3. Select and highlight the words Hello World.



In the above example, the Memory view displays the hexadecimal values for the code, and also the ASCII character equivalent of the memory values which enable you to drill down into the details of the code.

3. Step through the application

Use the controls provided in the Debug Control view to step through the application.



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Click to continue processing code.

Click to interrupt or pause processing code.

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Click to step through the code.

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Click to step over source line.

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Click to step out.

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This is a toggle. Select this if you want the above controls to step through instructions.

4. Disconnect from the debug connection

To disconnect from a debug connection, you can either right-click the connection and select Disconnect from Target or select the connection and in the Debug Control view toolbar click %