

Introduction

This document is intended to help developers develop ABOV 32-bit microcontrollers (Arm Cortex-M0 / M0+ / M3 / M4) in an IAR EWARM integrated development environment.

This document describes how to prepare an IAR project with configuration files, how to set up the environment variables and the debugger, and how to compile and debug so that you can quickly set up an initial development environment.

Table 1 shows the list of microcontrollers to which this document applies.

Table 1. Applicable Devices

Base Product	Part Number
A31G21x	A31G213CL, A31G213SQ, A31G213KN, A31G213GR, A31G212CL, A31G212SQ, A31G212KN, A31G212GR
A31G22x	A31G226ML, A31G226MM, A31G226RM, A31G226RL, A31G226RL A31G224ML, A31G224MM, A31G224RM, A31G224RL, A31G224RL
A31G31x	A31G316MM, A31G316ML, A31G316RM, A31G316RL, A31G314MM, A31G314ML, A31G314RM, A31G314RL, A31G314CL, A31G314CU, A31G314SN, A31G313RM, A31G313RL, A31G313CL, A31G313CU, A31G313SN
A31G32x	A31G324RL, A31G324CL, A31G324CU, A31G323RL, A31G323CL, A31G323CU
A33G52x	A33G527VQ, A33G527VL, A33G527MM, A33G527RL, A33G527ML, A33G527RM, A33G526VQ, A33G526VL, A33G526MM, A33G526RL, A33G526ML, A33G526RM, A33G524MM, A33G524RL, A33G524ML, A33G524RM
A33G53x	A33G539VQ, A33G539VL, A33G539MM, A33G539RL, A33G538VQ, A33G538VL, A33G538MM, A33G538RL
A31M22x	A31M223CL, A31M223KN
A33M11x	A33M116RL, A33M116RM, A33M116CL, A33M114RL, A33M114CL
A34M41x	A34M418YL, A34M418VL, A34M418RL, A34M416VL, A34M416RL, A34M414VL, A34M414RL
A34M420	A34M420YL, A34M418VL
A34L716	A34L716VL, A34L716RL

Reference Document

The following documents are available on www.abovsemi.com.

- Reference software URL in [IAR EW IDE Project Management and Building Guide](#)
- User's Manual, Datasheet, Application Note for products in Table 1
- Reference software package for products in Table 1

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1. IAR Project Preparation

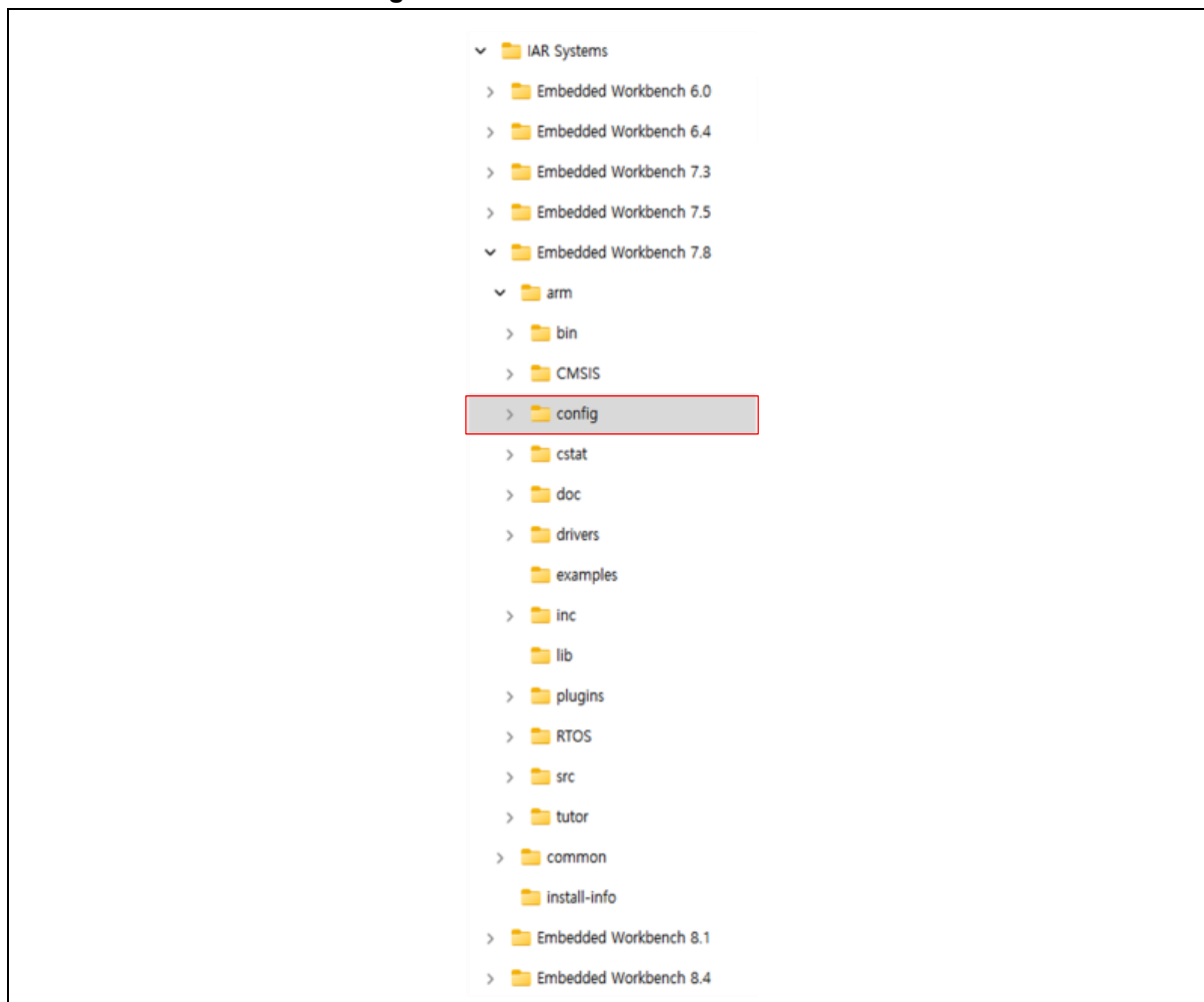
1.1 IAR Embedded Workbench for Arm Installation Path

The device's configuration files must be added to the IAR Embedded Workbench for Arm (hereafter called 'EWARM') installation path before using a project in the IAR EWARM environment.

The paths used in the process of copying and pasting configuration files are shown below:

- IAR installation path (Typical): ~\IAR Systems\Embedded Workbench X.Y (X.Y = Version)
 - The IAR EWARM installation path and the version may vary depending on the installed version of the IAR Embedded Workbench.
- The path where the product's configuration files are stored: ~\IAR Systems\Embedded Workbench X.Y\config

Figure 1. IAR EWARM Installation Path



1.2 How to Register Product Configuration Files

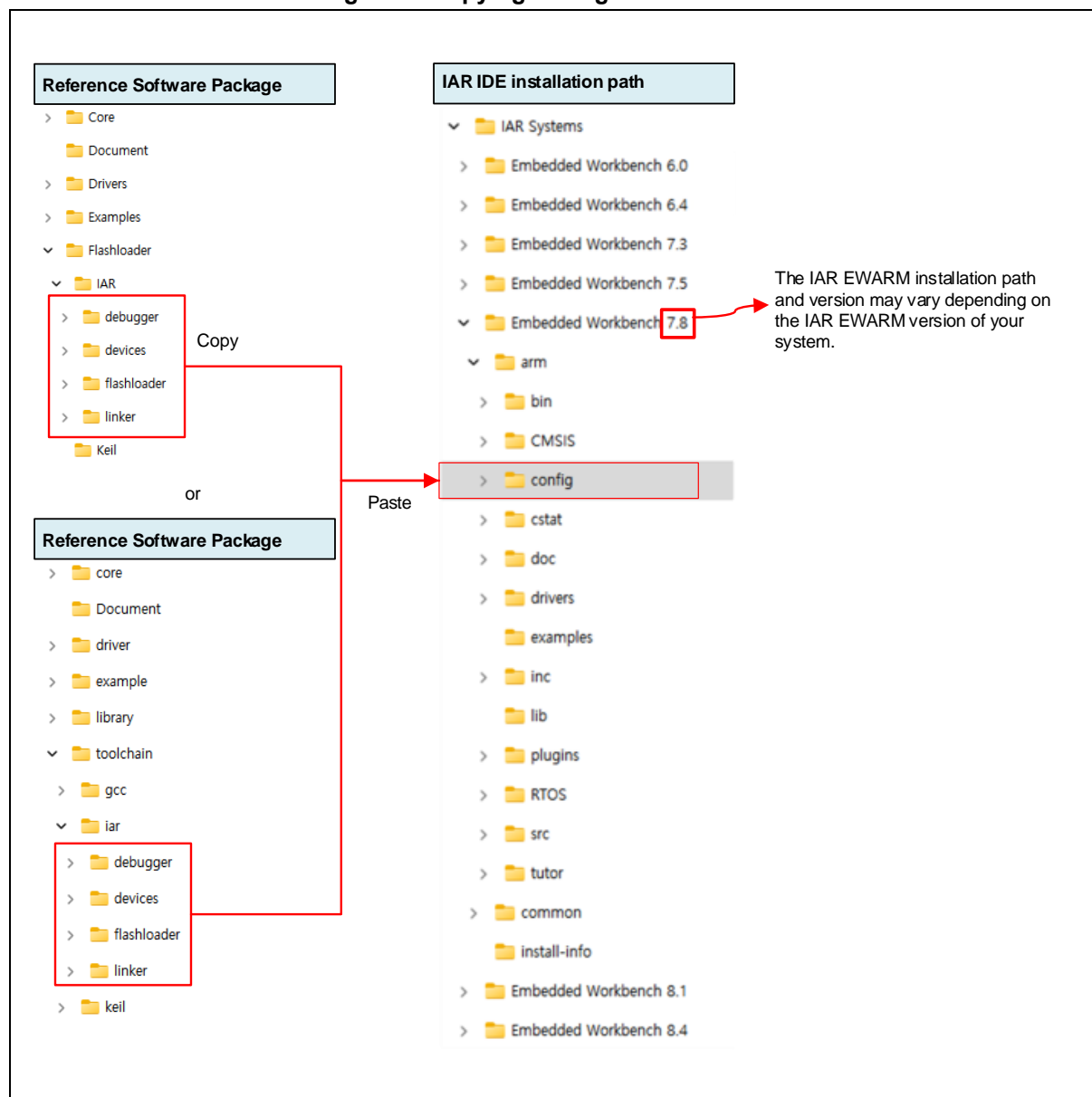
ABOV 32-bit Reference Software Packages include product configuration files that enable programming and debugging of the firmware in the IAR Embedded Workbench for the Arm environment.

Figure 2 shows the process of copying the folders containing configuration files from the ABOV 32-bit reference software package and pasting them under the 'config' directory in the IAR EWARM installation path.

NOTE:

1. Suppose a product configuration file already exists in the 'config' folder. In that case, the existing file remains unchanged, or if you add each configuration file (stored in the debugger, devices, flashloader, and linker directories) to the 'config' directory, the existing configuration file will be overwritten.

Figure 2. Copying Configuration Folders



1.2.1 IAR EARM Configuration Files

IAR configuration files are located in the path below in the **Reference Software Package**:

- /Flashloader/iar/ or /toolchain/iar/

Table 2 and Table 3 show the directory names where the configuration files have to be installed in the IAR installation path and the list of the configuration files for the target device.

Follow the procedure below to complete the copy-and-paste process:

1. Copy the folders that contain the configuration files provided by **Reference Software Package**.
2. Move into the 'config' folder in your IAR EW for the Arm installation path.
3. Paste the copied folders in the '**config**' folder.

Table 2. Configuration Files for Target Device (ex. A34M420)

Directory Name	Configuration File
debugger/ABOV	a34m420.svd, a34m420.ddf
devices/ABOV	a34m420.i79, a34m420.menu
flashloader/ABOV	FlashA34M420.board, FlashA34M420.flash, FlashA34M420.out, FlashA34M420.mac ⁽¹⁾
linker/ABOV	a34m420.icf

NOTE:

1. Some devices that need to use Core reset require a mac file to reflect changes made after Flash Write in the user code (see Table 3).

Table 3. Target Devices and Flashloader Files

Target Device	Configuration File	Code Flash Area for Algorithm	RAM Area for Algorithm
A31G213 (64 KB)	FlashA31G213.board, FlashA31G213.flash, FlashA31G213.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_17FF (6 KB – Size: 0x1800)
A31G212 (32 KB)	FlashA31G212.board, FlashA31G212.flash, FlashA31G212.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0000_7FFF (32 KB – Size: 0x8000)	
A31G226 (256 KB)	FlashA31G226.board, FlashA31G226.flash, FlashA31G226.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_4FFF (20 KB – Size: 0x5000)
A31G224 (128 KB)	FlashA31G224.board, FlashA31G224.flash, FlashA31G224.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	
A31G316 (256 KB)	FlashA31G316.board, FlashA31G316.flash, FlashA31G316.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_3FFF (16 KB – Size: 0x4000)
A31G314 (128 KB)	FlashA31G314.board, FlashA31G314.flash, FlashA31G314.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	
A31G313 (64 KB)	FlashA31G313.board, FlashA31G313.flash, FlashA31G313.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)	
A31G324 (128 KB)	FlashA31G324.board, FlashA31G324.flash, FlashA31G324.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_3FFF (16 KB – Size: 0x4000)
A31G323 (64 KB)	FlashA31G323.board, FlashA31G323.flash, FlashA31G323.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)	
A33G527 (384 KB)	FlashA33G527.board, FlashA33G527.flash, FlashA33G527.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0005_FFFF (384 KB – Size: 0x60000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_5FFF (24 KB – Size: 0x6000)
A33G526 (256 KB)	FlashA33G526.board, FlashA33G526.flash, FlashA33G526.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	
A33G524 (128 KB)	FlashA33G524.board, FlashA33G524.flash, FlashA33G524.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	
A33G539 (768 KB)	FlashA33G539.board, FlashA33G539.flash, FlashA33G539.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x000B_FFFF (768 KB – Size: 0xC0000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_5FFF (24 KB – Size: 0x6000)
A33G538 (512 KB)	FlashA33G538.board, FlashA33G538.flash, FlashA33G538.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0007_FFFF (512 KB – Size: 0x80000)	
A31M223 (64 KB)	FlashA31M223.board, FlashA31M223.flash, FlashA31M223.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_1FFF (8 KB – Size: 0x2000)
A33M116 (256 KB)	a33m116_flash.board, a33m116_flash.flash, a33m116_flash.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_3FFF (16 KB – Size: 0x4000)
A33M114 (128 KB)	a33m114_flash.board, a33m114_flash.flash, a33m114_flash.out	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	
A31M418 (512 KB)	FlashA34M418.board, FlashA34M418.flash, FlashA34M418.out, FlashA34M418.mac	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0007_FFFF (512 KB – Size: 0x80000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)
A31M416 (256 KB)	FlashA34M416.board, FlashA34M416.flash, FlashA34M416.out, FlashA34M416.mac	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	
A31M414 (128 KB)	FlashA34M414.board, FlashA34M414.flash, FlashA34M414.out, FlashA34M414.mac	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0001_FFFF (128 KB – Size: 0x20000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_7FFF (32 KB – Size: 0x8000)
A31M420 (1024 KB)	FlashA34M420.board, FlashA34M420.flash, FlashA34M420.out, FlashA34M420.mac	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x000F_FFFF (1024 KB – Size: 0x100000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_FFFF (64 KB – Size: 0x10000)

Table 3. Target Devices and Flashloader Files (continued)

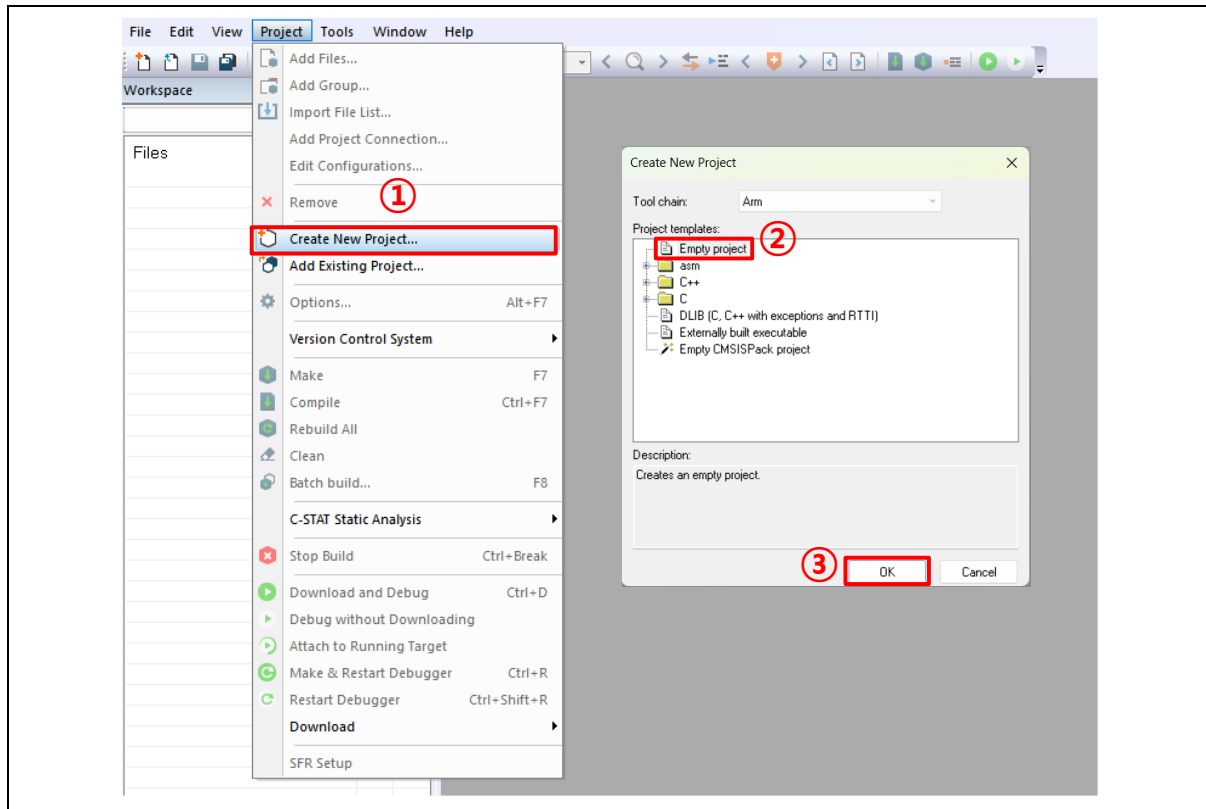
Target Device	Configuration File	Code Flash Area for Algorithm	RAM Area for Algorithm
A34L716 (256 KB)	FlashA34L716.board, FlashA34L716.flash, FlashA34L716.out, FlashA34L716.mac	0x0000_0000 ~ 0x0003_FFFF (256 KB – Size: 0x40000)	0x2000_0000 ~ 0x2000_5FFF (24 KB – Size: 0x6000)

2. Create New IAR EWARM Project

Once you have completed copying and pasting the product configuration files from the ABOV reference software package into the IAR installation path, follow the procedure below to create a new IAR project:

1. Select the **'Create New Project...'** in the Project menu.
2. Select the **'Empty project'** in the **'Create New Project'** dialog box.
3. Press the **OK** button to complete the project creation.

Figure 3. New IAR EWARM Project Menu



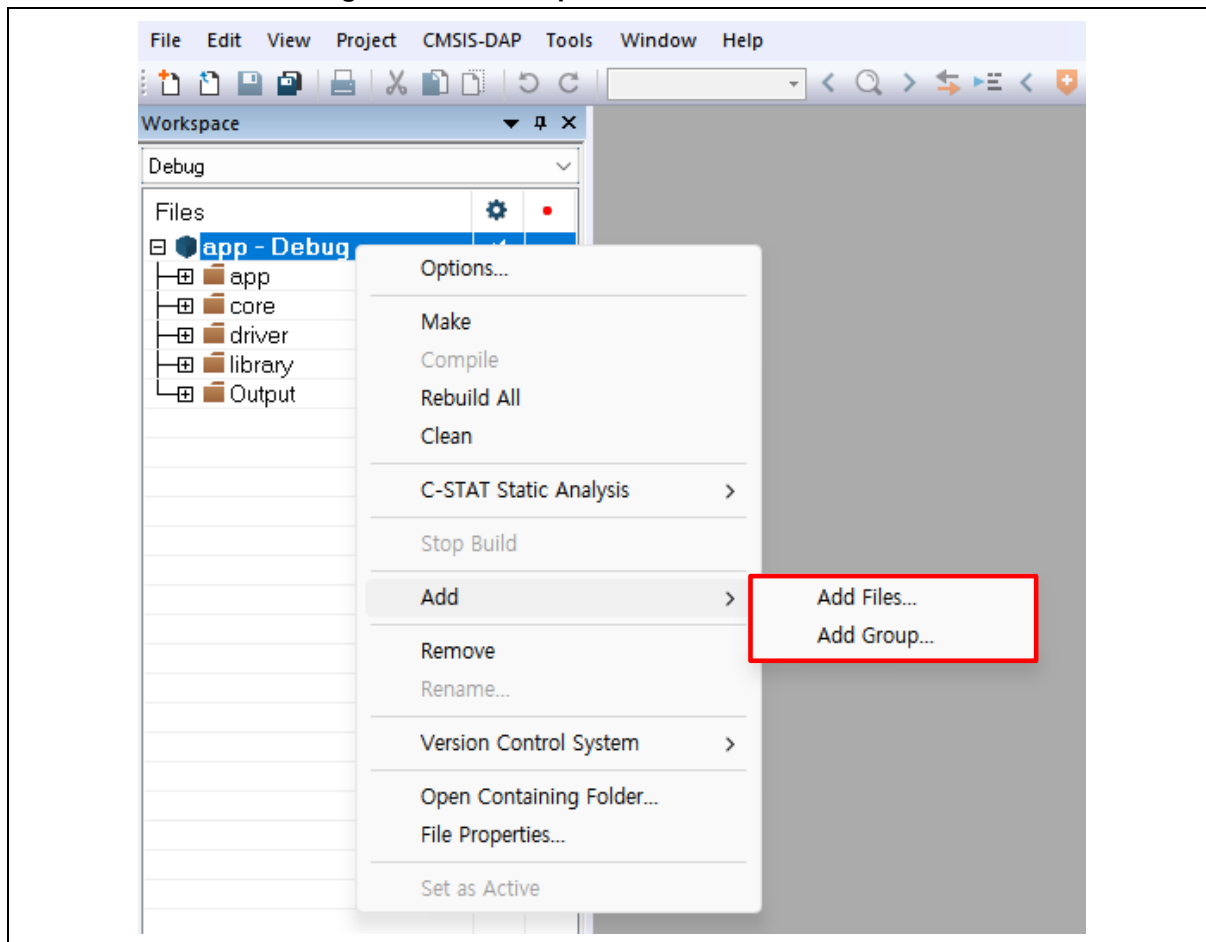
3. Add Group and Source Code in Workspace

You can add the source code from each directory of the downloaded software package to the newly created project by following the procedure below:

1. Right-click where you want to add a group in the Workspace pane.
2. Click the **Add > Add Group...** from the drop-down menu to add directories.
3. Create and name each group mapped to the software package's directory structure.
4. Click the **Add > Add Files...** from the drop-down menu and select source code files from each software package directory to add the source code files into each group.

Figure 4 shows an example of configuring groups and adding source codes to the IAR project in the Workspace pane.

Figure 4. Add Group... and Add Files... Menus

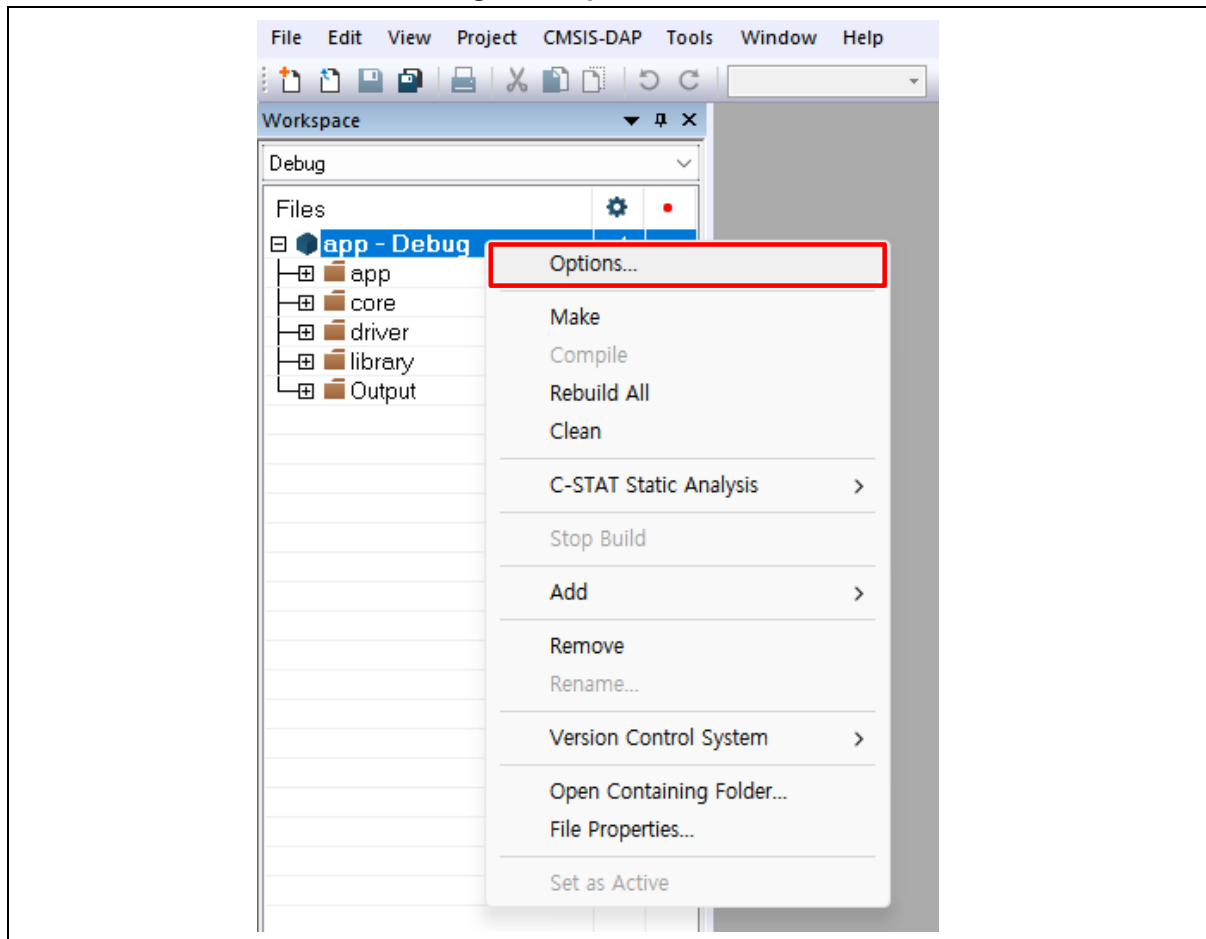


4. How to Set Up IAR EWARM

Once you have completed the instructions described in the previous chapters, you can set the environment options for building and debugging the IAR project in the Workspace in this chapter.

Right-clicking in the Workspace and selecting the '**Options...**' from the drop-down menu will open the '**Options for node**' window, described in the following sections.

Figure 5. Options... Menu



4.1 General Options

Select the target device in the Device field of the Processor variant section on the Target tab of the General Options. (If you did not add the product configuration files described in Chapter 3, the product name may not appear.)

Figure 6. Device Selection on the Target Tab of General Options

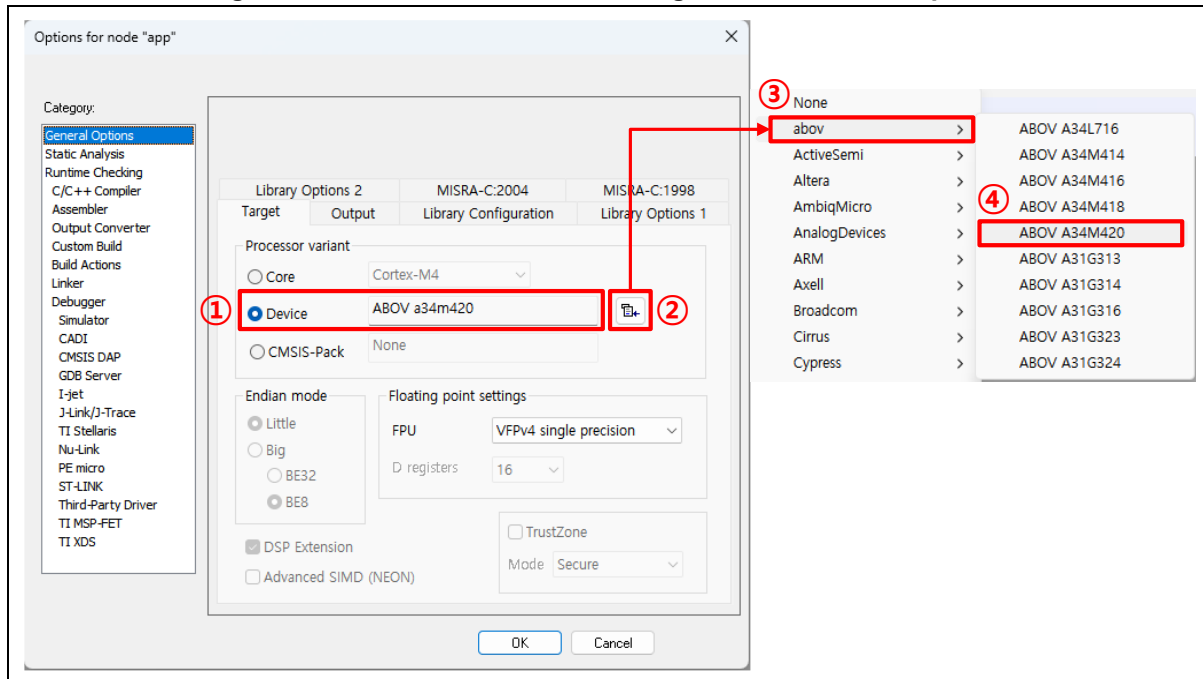


Figure 7. Options on the Output Tab of General Options

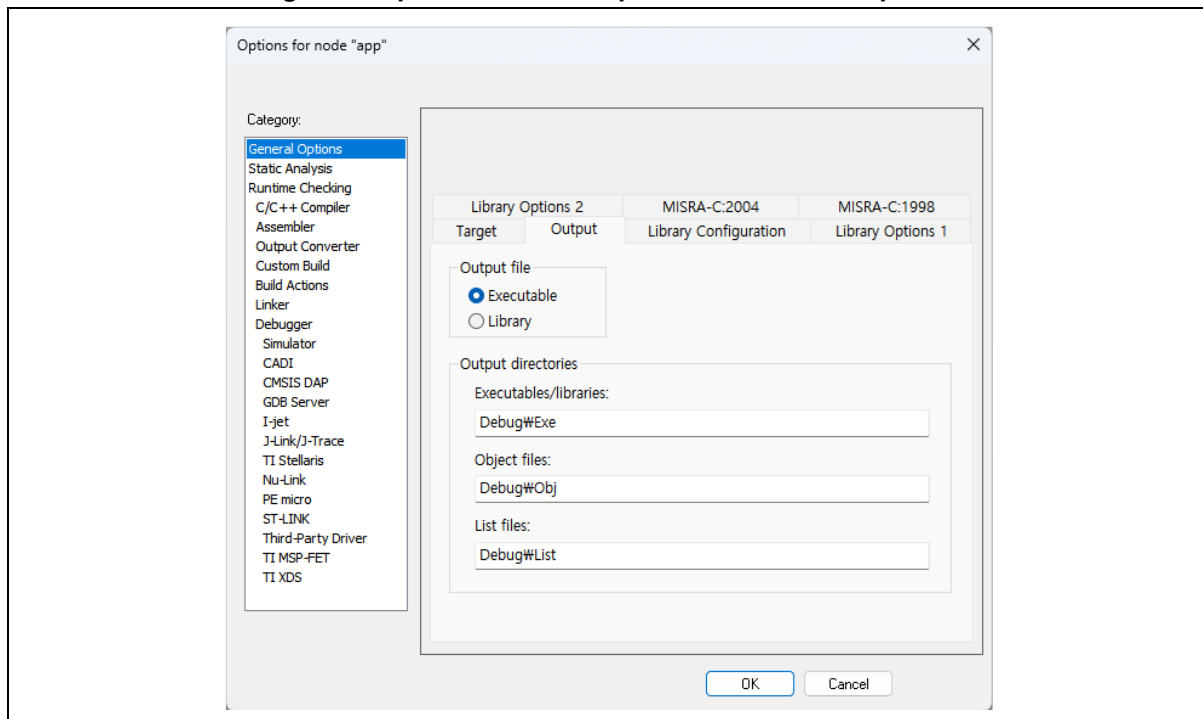


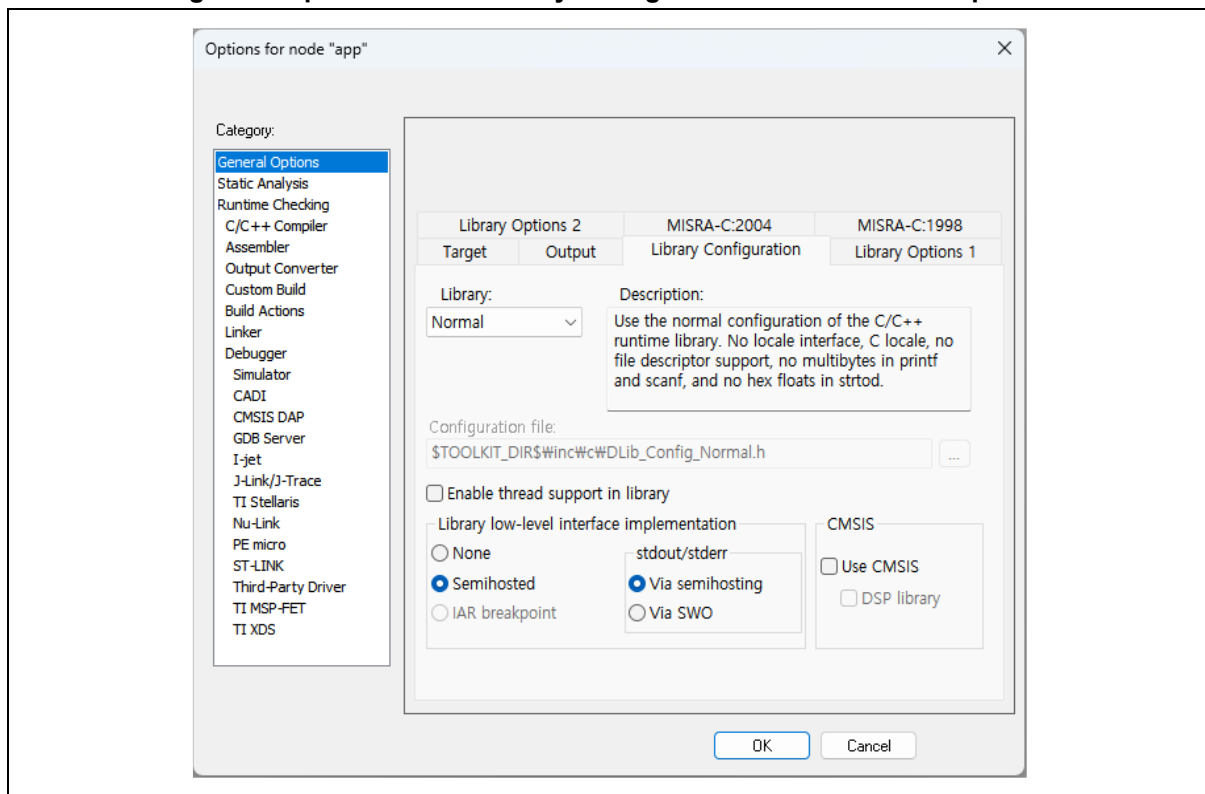
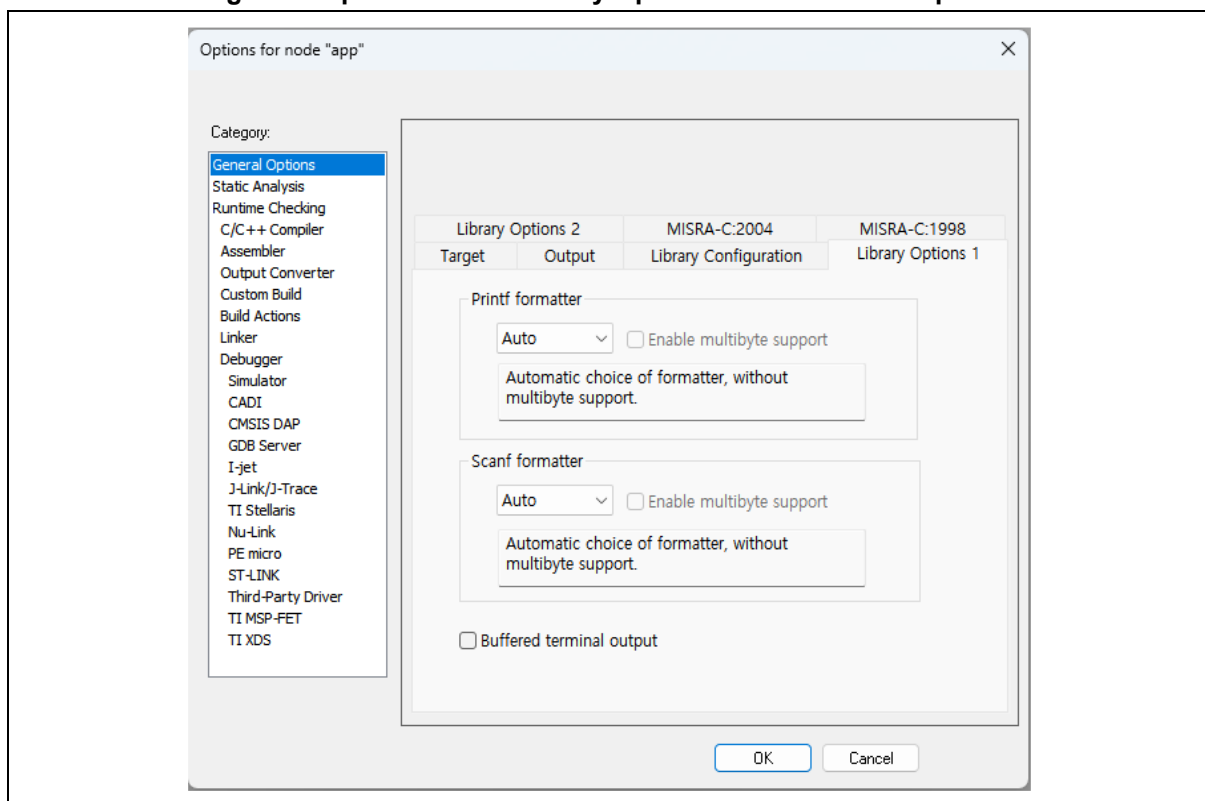
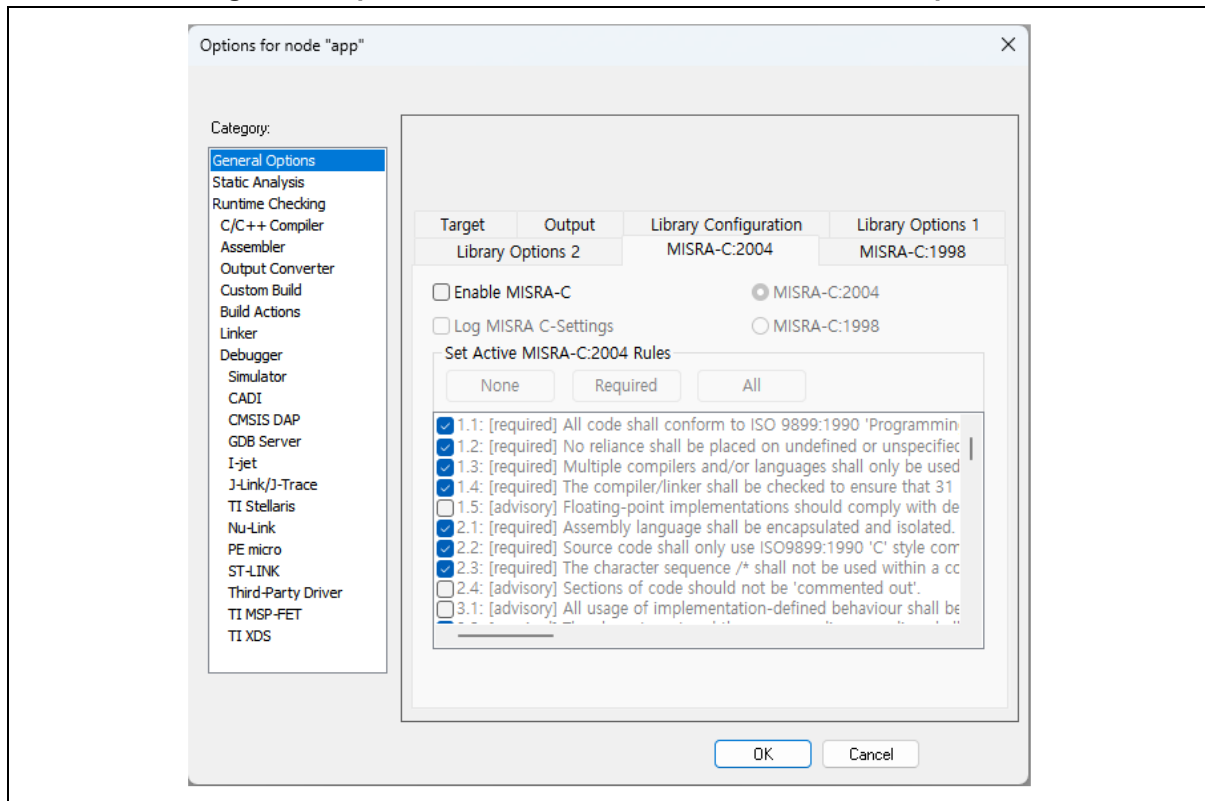
Figure 8. Options on the Library Configuration Tab of General Options**Figure 9. Options on the Library Options Tab of General Options**

Figure 10. Options on the MISRA-C:2004 Tab of General Options

4.2 C/C++ Compiler

This section describes how to set the include path for the header files. The header files are required when building the source code added in the Workspace. In addition, this section describes how to set the predefined symbols.

As shown in Figure 11, you can add the reference directories on the **Preprocessor tab**, the **C/C++ Compiler** submenu. The include directory paths in the Workspace can be defined using the IAR IDE's argument variables shown in Table 4.

Figure 11. Options on the Preprocessor Tab of C/C++ Compiler

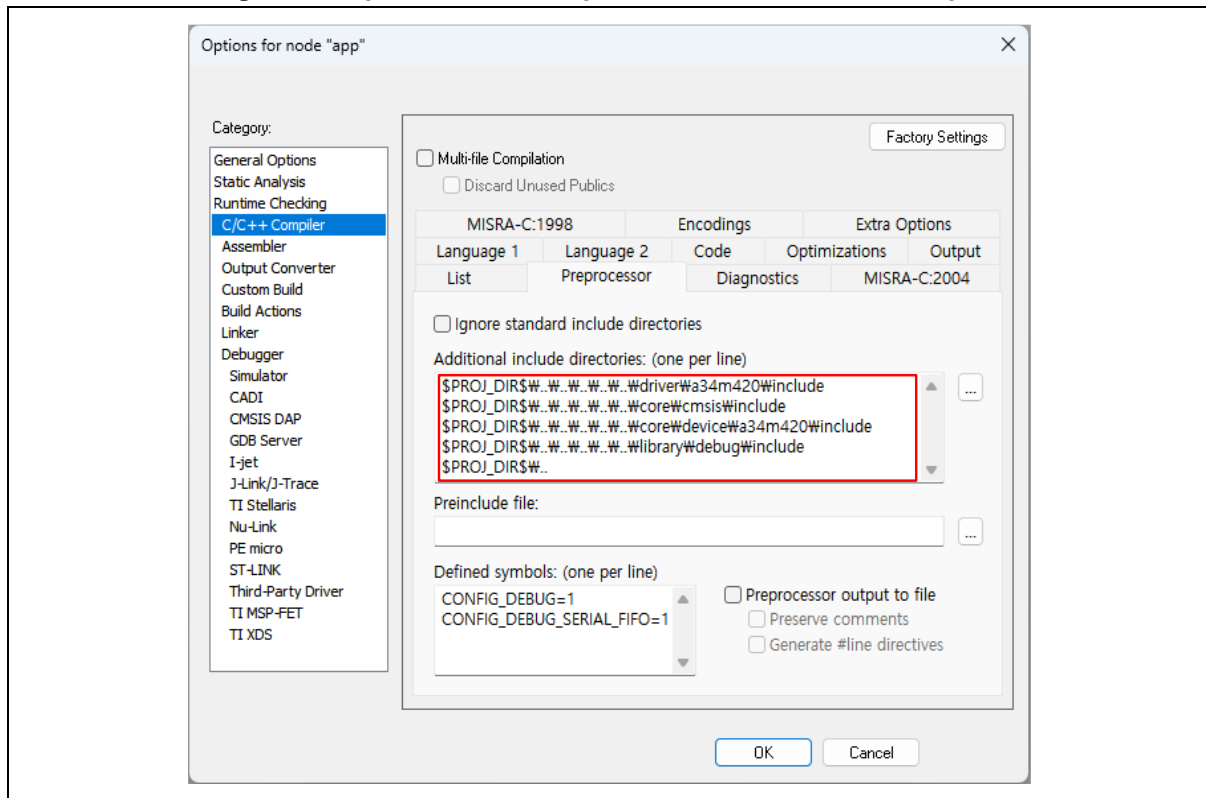


Table 4. Path Argument Variables of IAR IDE on Preprocessor Tab

Path	Description
\$TOOLKIT_DIR\$	The path where IAR Embedded Workbench is installed.
\$PROJ_DIR\$	The path where the corresponding IAR EWARM project (*.eww) file is stored.

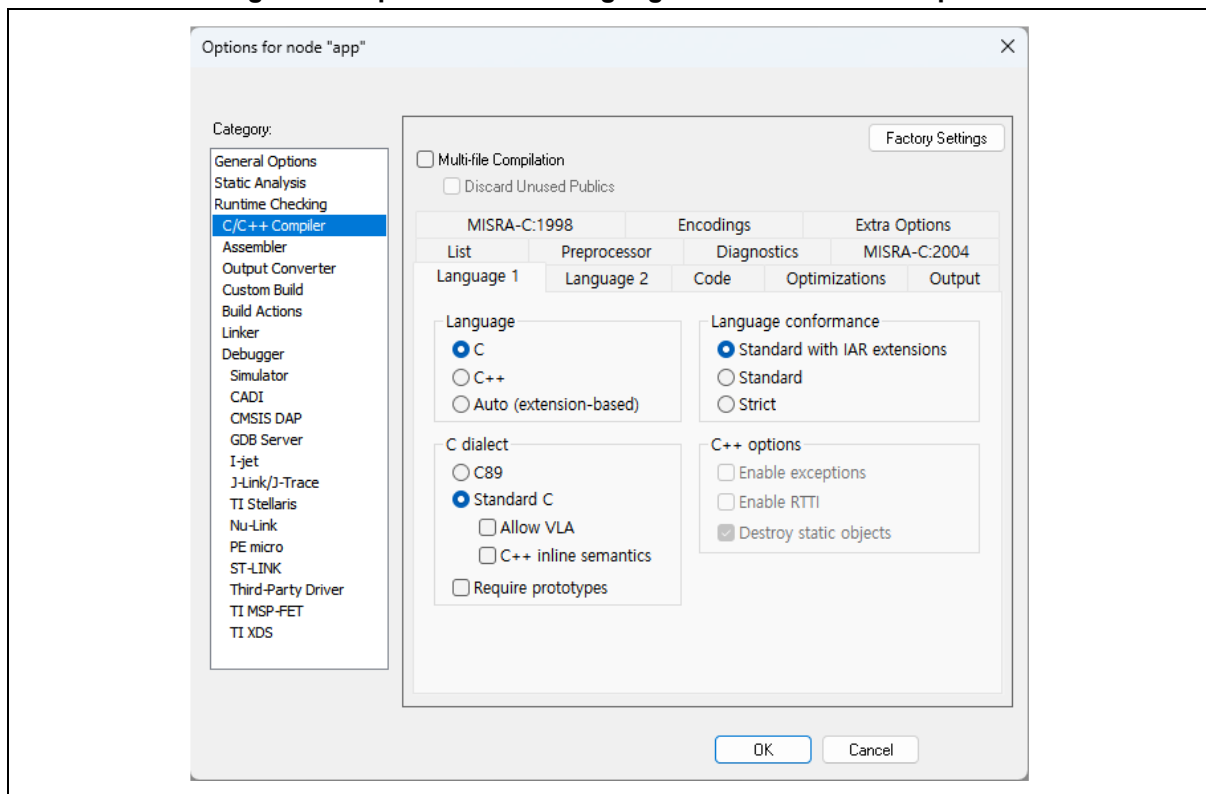
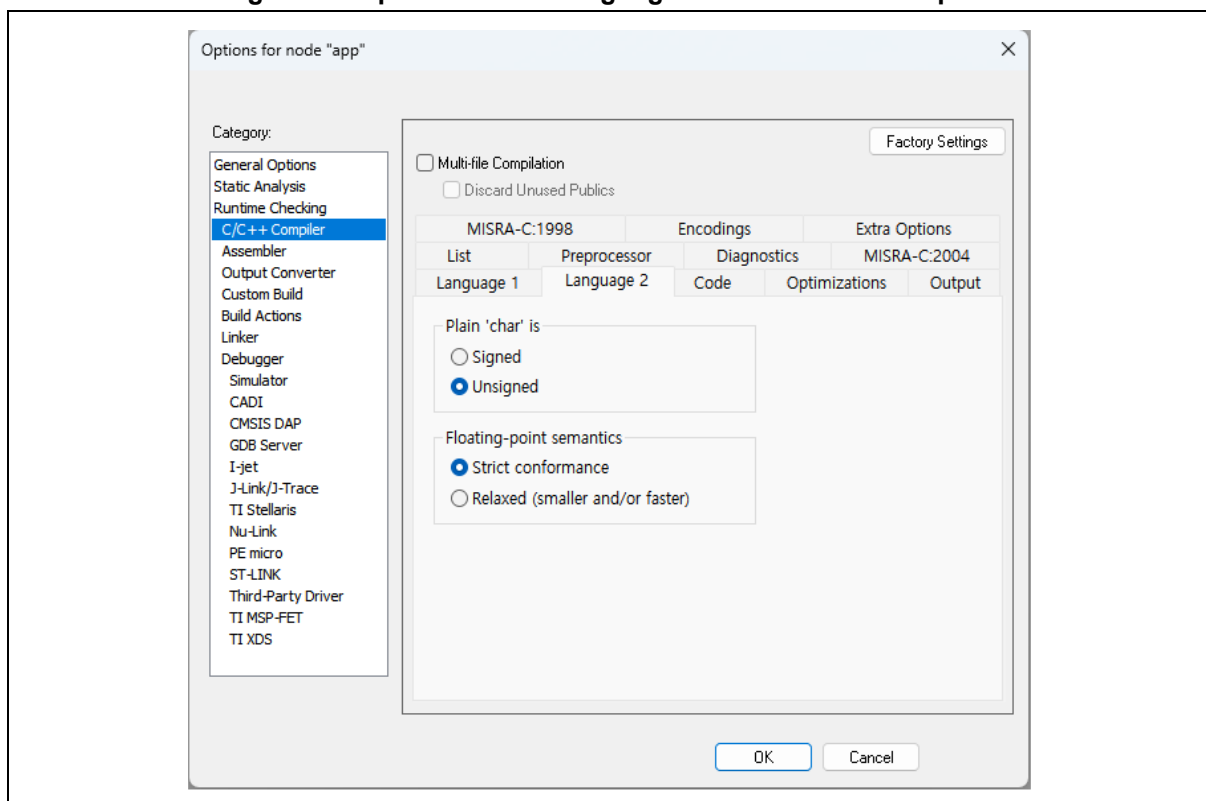
Figure 12. Options on the Language 1 Tab of C/C++ Compiler**Figure 13. Options on the Language 2 Tab of C/C++ Compiler**

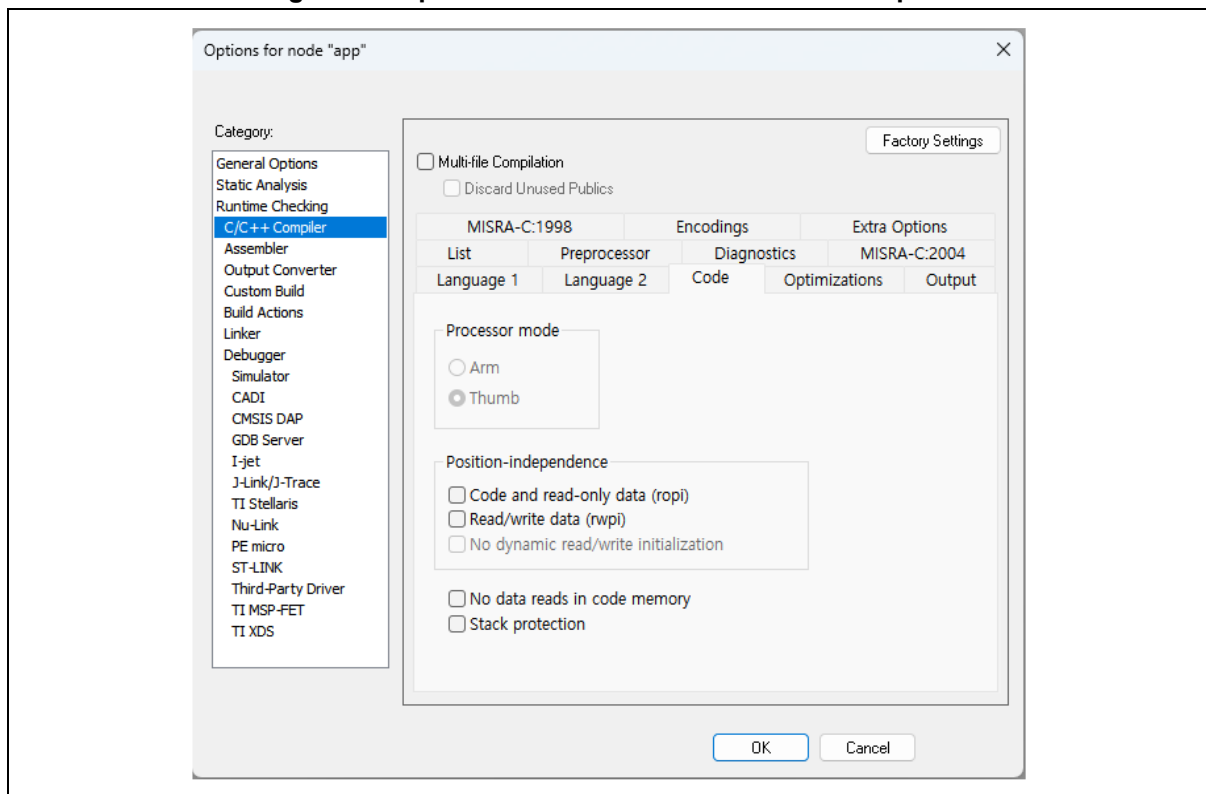
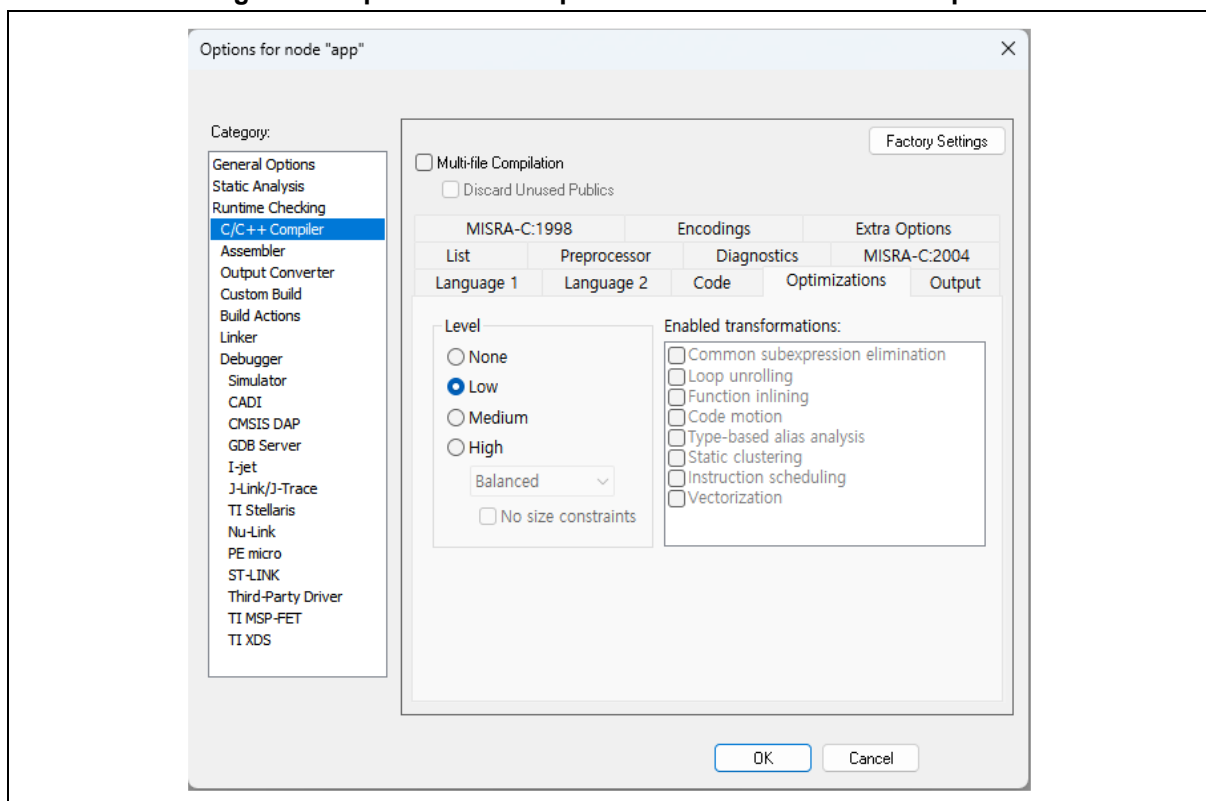
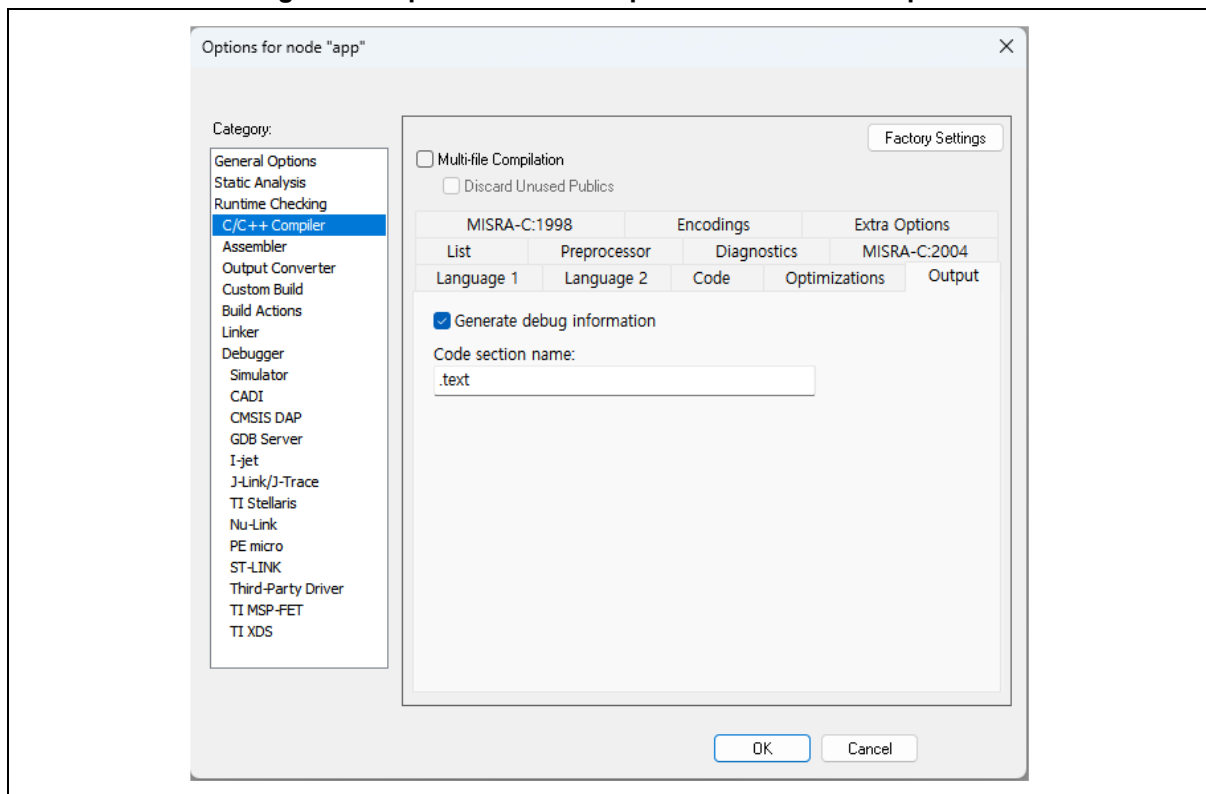
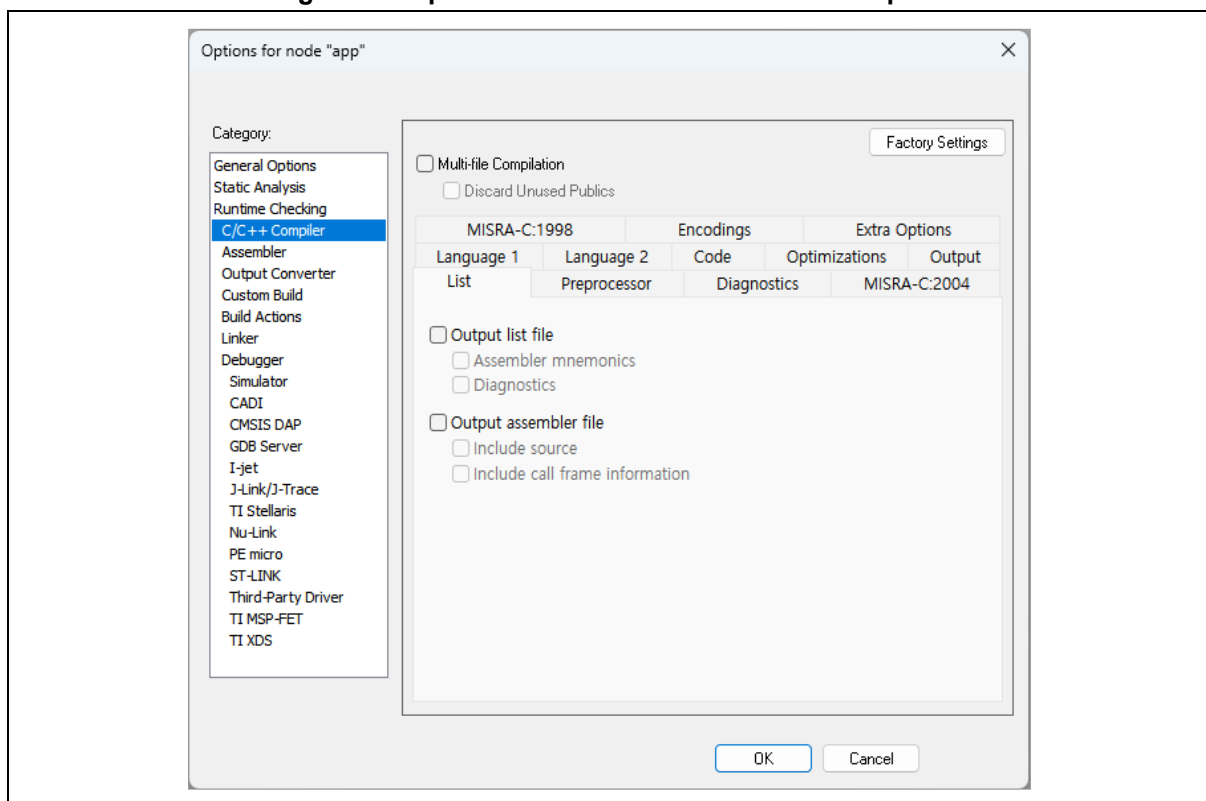
Figure 14. Options on the Code Tab of C/C++ Compiler**Figure 15. Options on the Optimizations Tab of C/C++ Compiler**

Figure 16. Options on the Output Tab of C/C++ Compiler**Figure 17. Options on the List Tab of C/C++ Compiler**

4.3 Linker

To add source code to the project, double-click on

You can set the Linker options referred to when building the IAR project by following the procedure below:

1. Select the **Linker** in the **Category** field, then select the **Config** tab.
2. Check the **Override default** checkbox in the **Linker configuration file field**.
 - A. Adding the product configuration file described in Chapter 3 shows that the ***.icf** path is automatically set in this field. The *.icf file configures the target device's **Vector Table**, **Memory Regions**, and **Stack/Heap Sizes**.
 - B. **Memory Regions:**

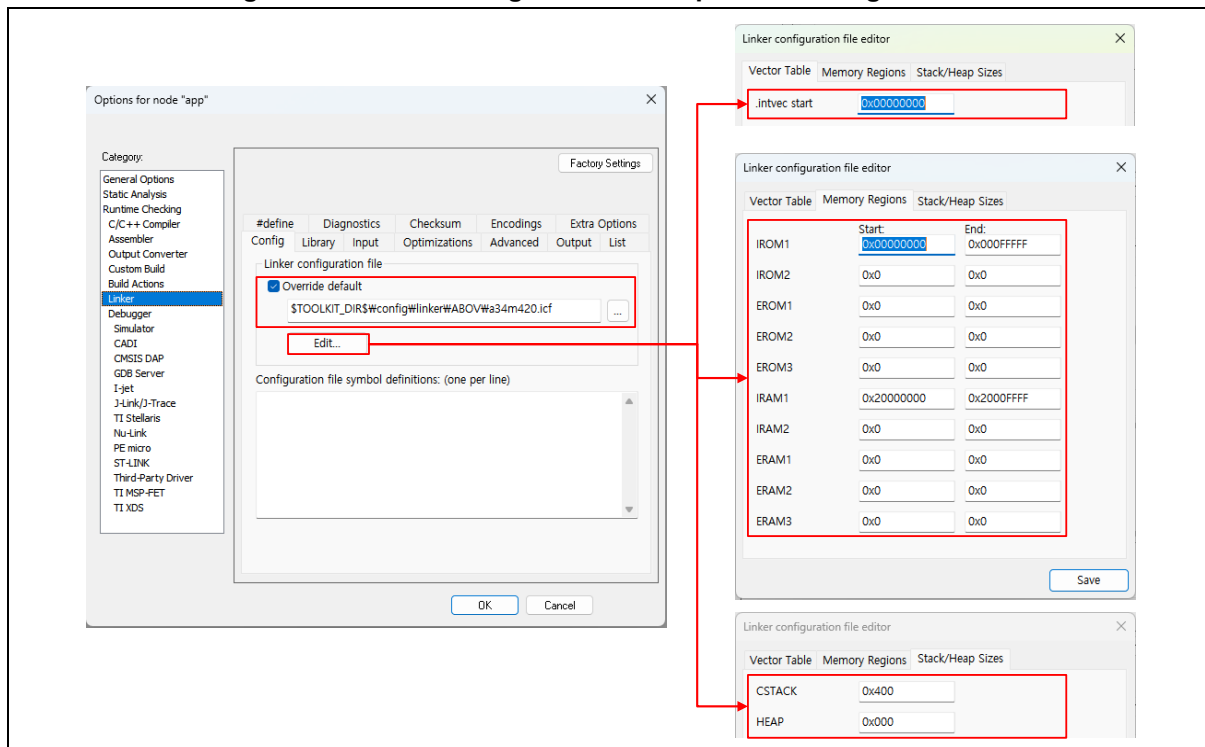
Adjust the size of ROM and RAM according to the microcontroller memory specification⁽¹⁾.

- IROM1: start 0x00000000, size 0x0007FFFF
- IRAM1: start 0x20000000, size 0x2000FFFF

NOTES:

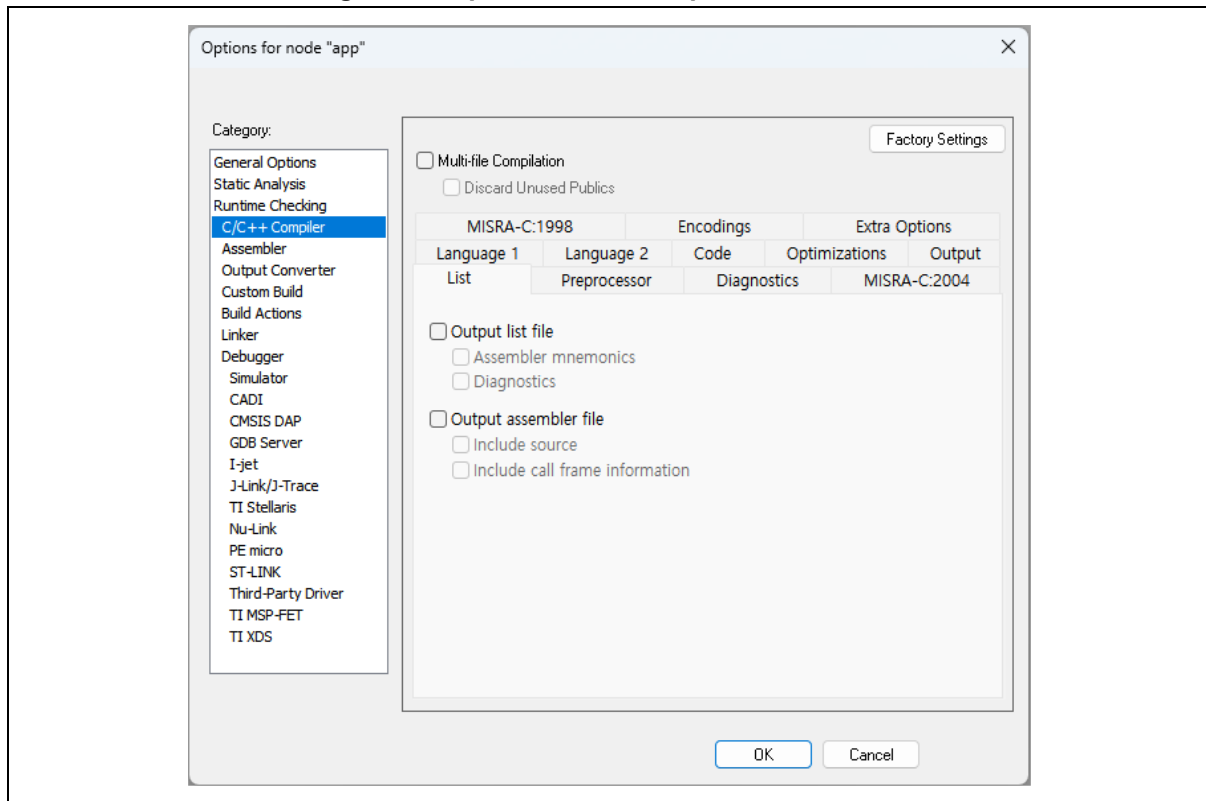
1. If the memory setting is incorrect, errors may occur when downloading firmware to the target device. Please refer to Table 3.
2. The size of the IROM is generally the same as the size of the Code Flash area of the target device.
3. However, in the case of a device that can separate the bank, please use it according to the size of the bank. If banks are not divided and used, all code flash areas can be used.
(ex. A34M420 Code Flash size = 0x0010_0000, Bank size = 0x0008_0000,
Not used bank function: IROM size: 0x000FFFFF, using the bank function: IROM size: 0x0007FFFF.)

Figure 18. Linker Configuration File Options for Target Device



3. Select the **Output** tab, then set the binary file name in the **Output filename** field after the project code is built to match the project name.
 - A. The output binary file with *.out extension is created in the '**Debug\Exe**' directory of the IAR project (See Figure 7).

Figure 19. Options on the Output Tab of Linker



4.4 Debug

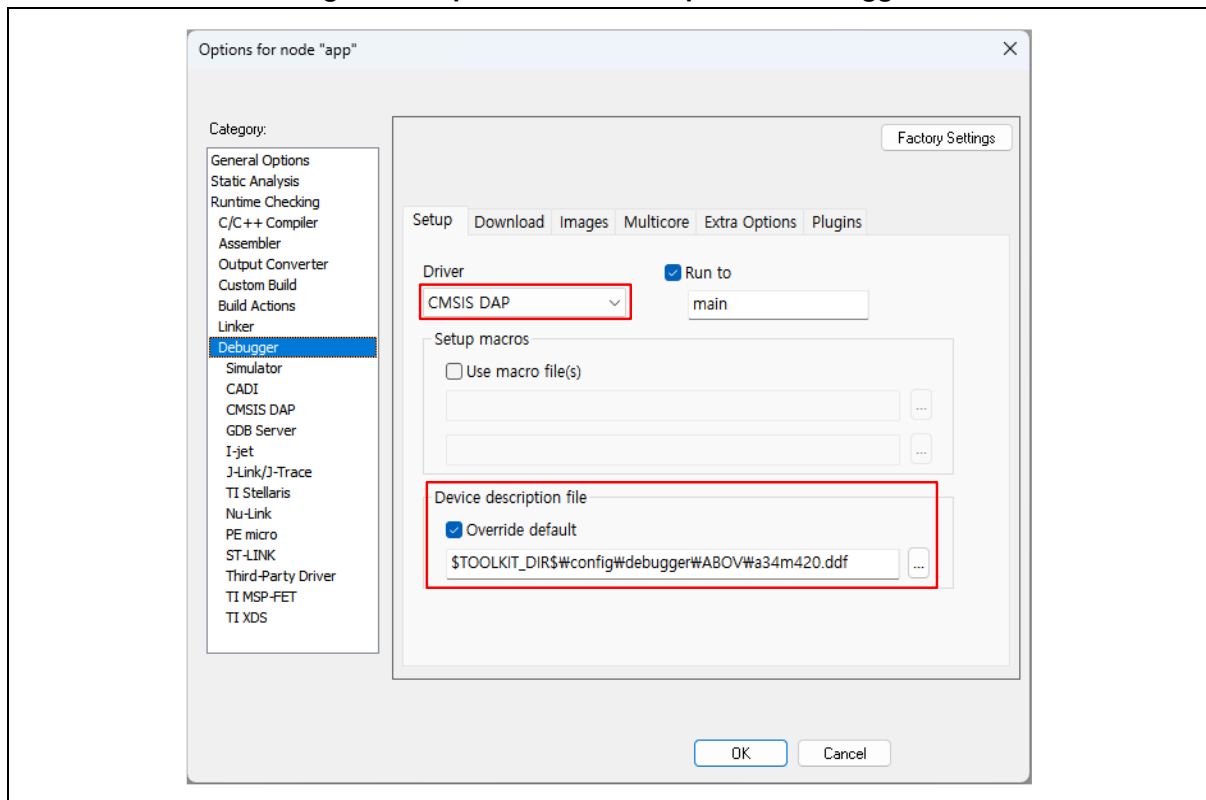
To debug the target ABOV 32-bit microcontrollers in the IAR project environment, you will need a debugging tool that supports the CMSIS-DAP interface, one of the tools listed below:

- [32-bit Microcontroller Starter Kit Board](#)
- ABOV [A-Link](#) / [A-LinkPro](#) Debugger(CMSIS-DAP compatible)
- [Segger J-Link](#)

When the debugger tool is ready, you can follow the procedure below:

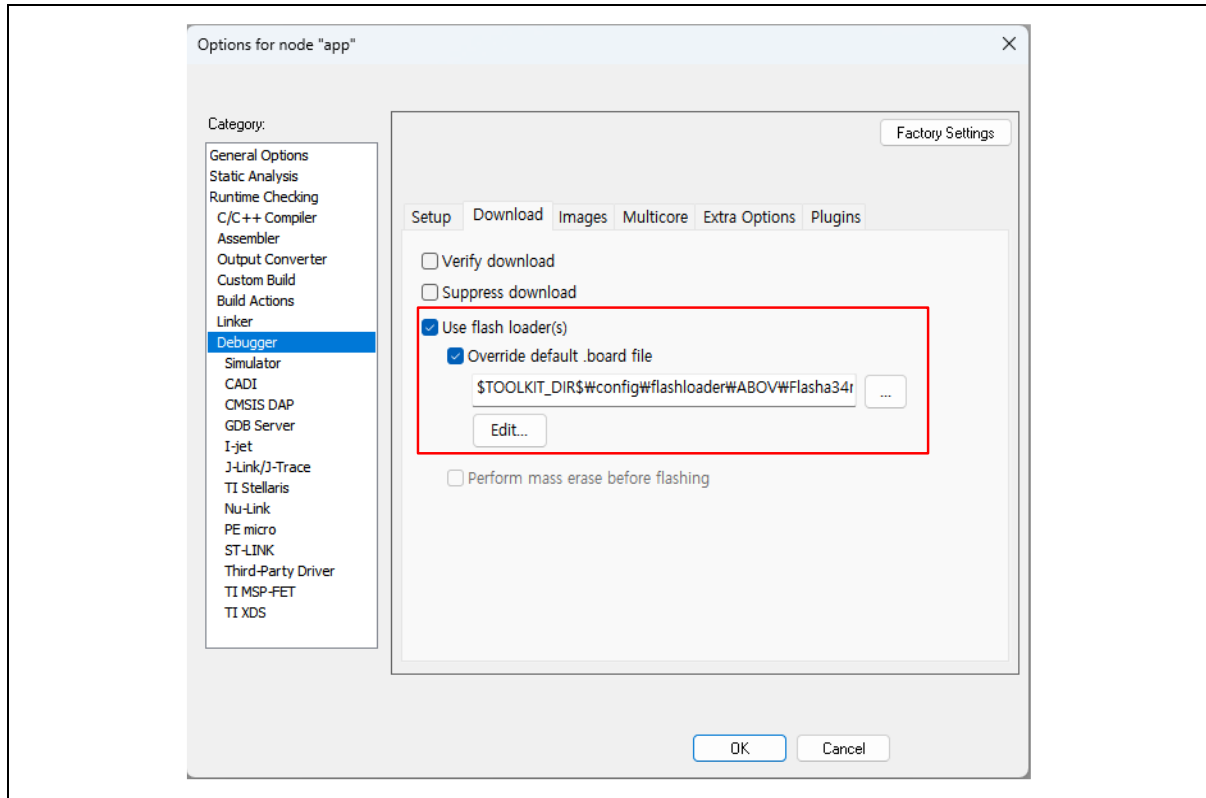
1. Select the **Debugger** in the **Category** field, then select the **Setup** tab.
2. Select the **CMSIS DAP** from the drop-down menu in the Driver field.
 - A. If you have set up the **Device Description File** described in Chapter 1.2.1, you can see that the *.ddf file in the '\$TOOLKIT_DIR\$config\debugger\ABOV\' path is automatically set.

Figure 20. Options on the Setup Tab of Debugger



3. Select the **Download** tab to set the flashloader file that is required when downloading the compiled binary file to the microcontroller.
 - A. If you have set up the **Device Description File** described in Chapter 1.2.1, you can see that the *.out file in the '**\$TOOLKIT_DIR\$config\flashloader\ABOV**' path is automatically set.

Figure 21. Options on the Download Tab of Debugger



4.5 Debugger: CMSIS DAP

If the driver is set to **CMSIS DAP** on the **Setup** tab of the **Debugger**, as shown in Figure 20, you can set up the debugger by following the procedure below:

1. Select the **CMSIS DAP**, a submenu of the **Debugger** in the **Category** field.
2. In the **Setup** tab, set the option values appropriately from the **Reset** drop-down lists. Some devices must use **Core**, and other devices recommend **System (Default)** in Reset drop-down lists (see Table 5).

Figure 22. Options on the Setup Tab of Debugger>CMSIS DAP

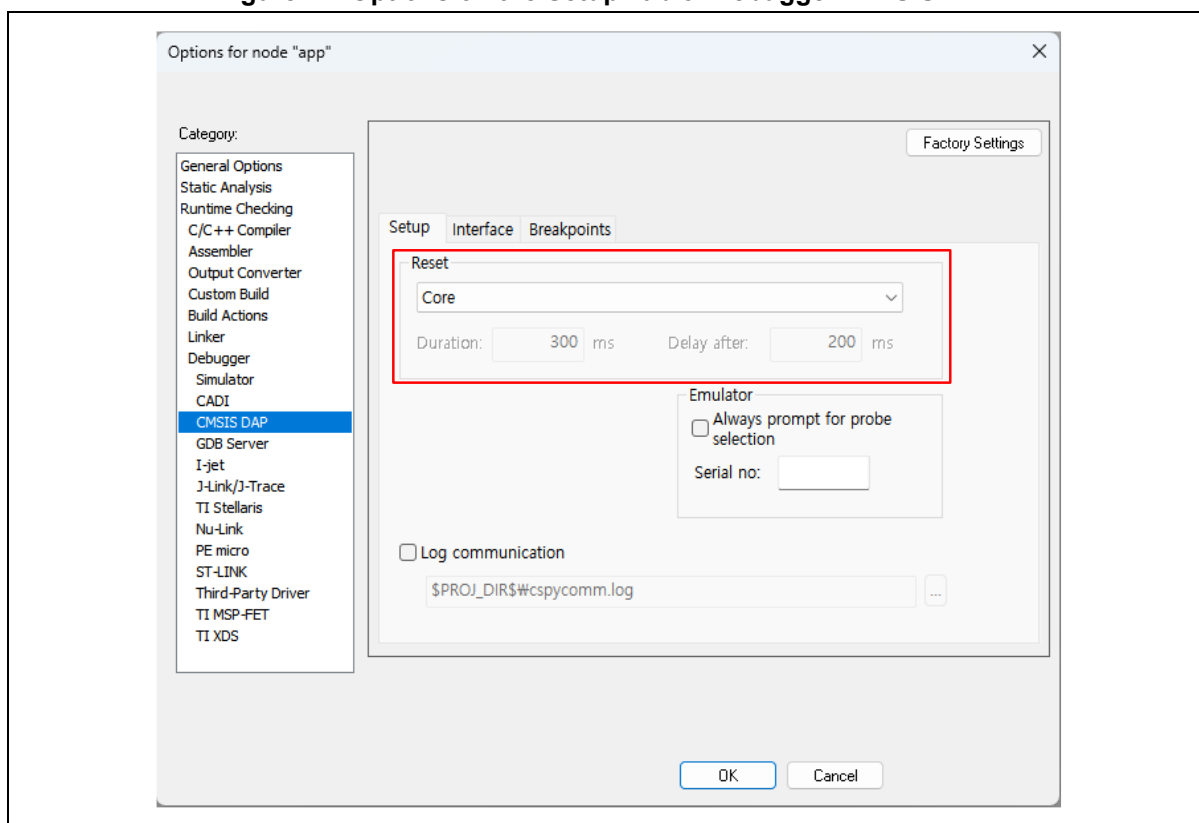
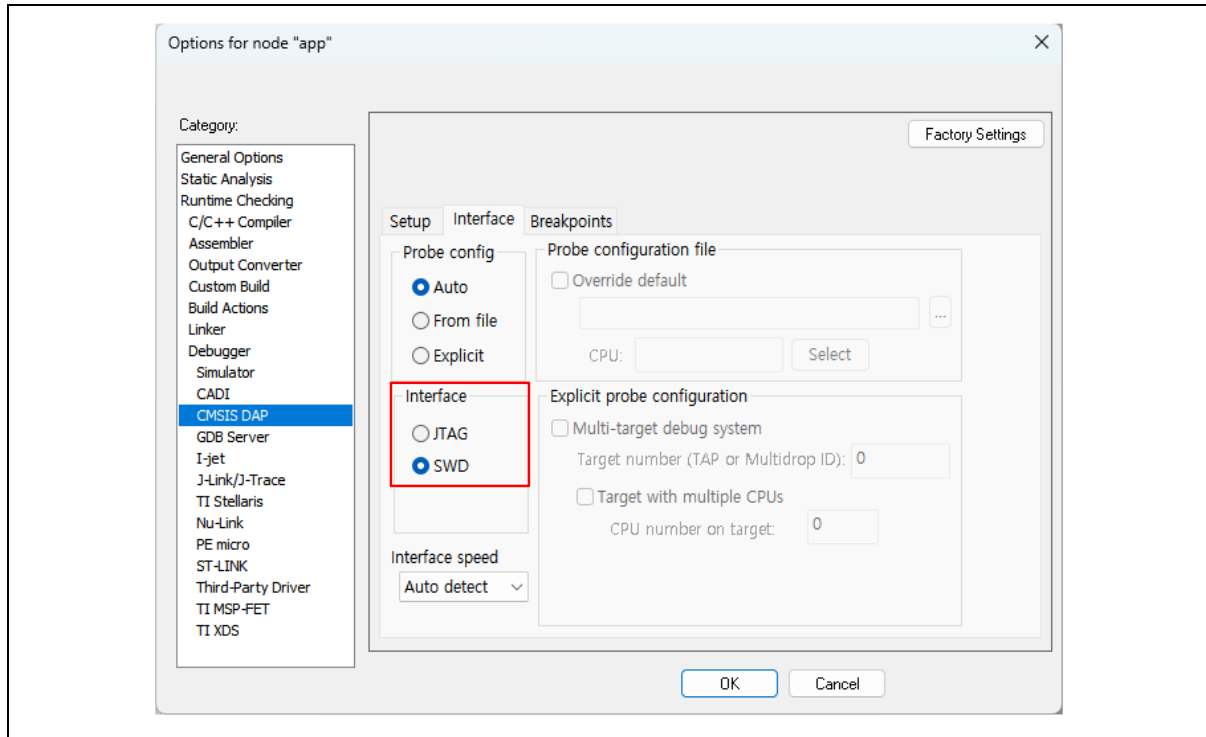


Table 5. Reset Type Selection Guide by Device

Reset Type	Device
System (Default)	A31G21x, A31G22x, A31G31x, A31G32x, A33G52x, A33G53x, A31M22x A33M11x
Core	A34M41x, A34M420, A34L716

3. Select the **SWD** in the **Interface** field on the **Interface** tab.
4. Set the options on the **Setup** and **Breakpoint** tabs to their default values.

Figure 23. Options on the Interface Tab of Debugger>CMSIS DAP

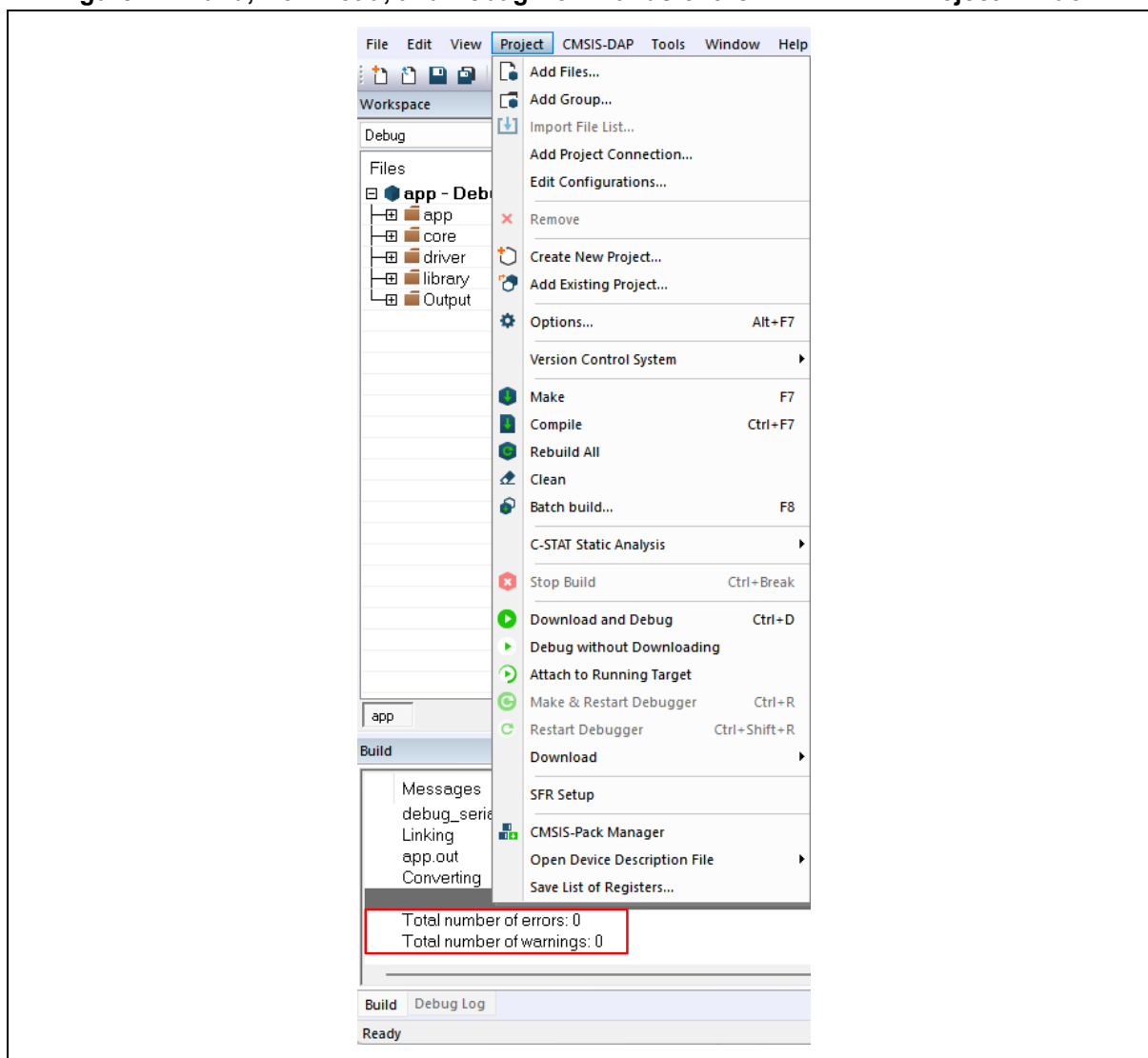


5. Build and Debug IAR EWARM Project

This chapter describes how to compile the project, download firmware to the target board, and debug target devices in the IAR EWARM, as follows:

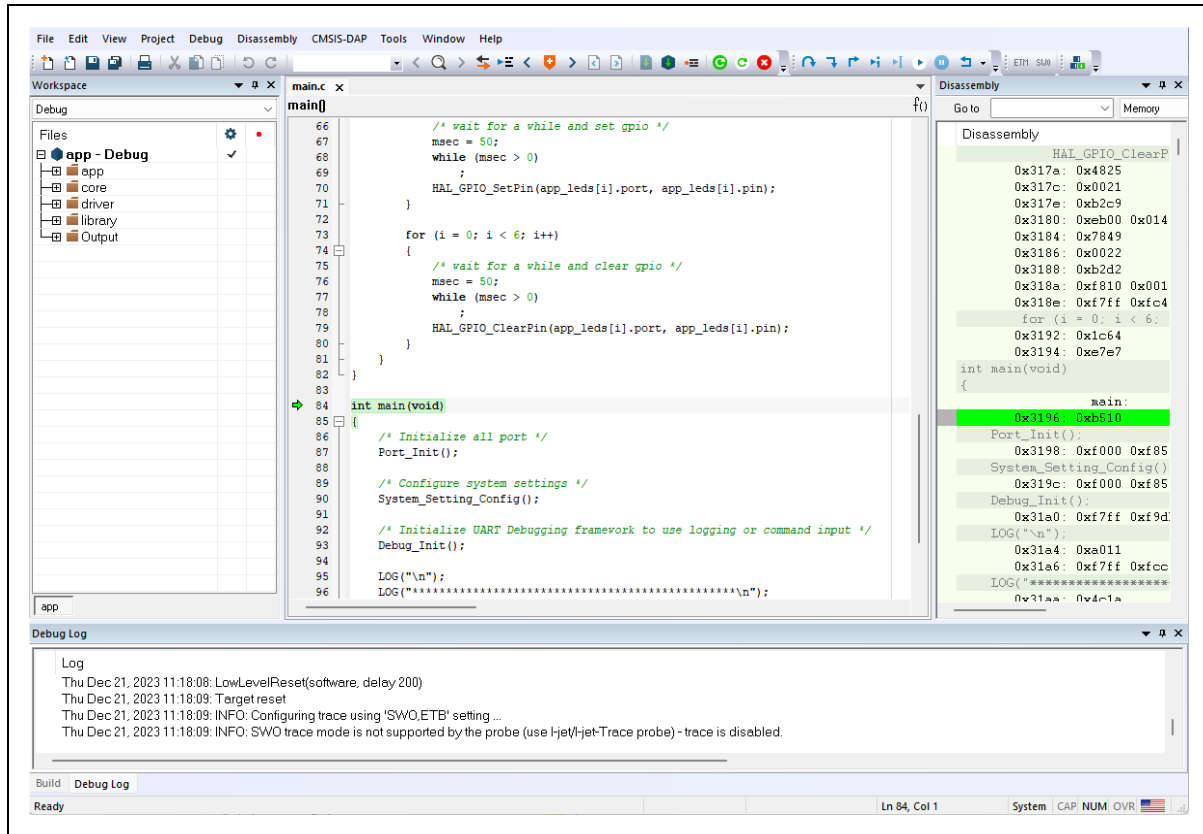
1. Select the Make or Rebuild All from the Project menu to build the source code.
2. After building the source code, check the results in the Build pane. If warnings or errors occur, locate the point where they occurred, correct the source code, and rebuild it.
3. Once the project has been successfully built, select Download and Debug from the Project menu to download the compiled firmware to the target board. When the download is complete, the project automatically enters debugging mode.

Figure 24. Build, Download, and Debug Commands of the IAR EWARM Project Window



4. When the download is complete, you can execute and debug the program from the corresponding debugging screen.
5. On the debugging screen, as shown in Figure 25, select the **Go** command from the **Debug** menu to run the program and select the **Break** command to stop the program operation. You can also run the program step by step through the **Step** command option.

Figure 25. IAR Project Debugging Screen



Revision History

Revision	Date	Notes
1.00	Dec. 21, 2023	Initial release.
1.01	May 31, 2024	Added the A34L716 device to Table 1, Table 3, and Table 5.
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