


# ncp-uart-hw in Yellow

## Introduction

Home Assistant Yellow includes a radio module from Silicon Labs, which utilizes the same code base as **ncp-uart-hw**. However, additional modifications are made to ensure the binary is recognized by Home Assistant Yellow. This page aims to guide you through compiling a compatible binary using MS Windows and testing communication between the radio board and the CM4. If you are using GNU/Linux or macOS, please refer to the steps provided in [their own repository](#).

## Requirements

 You must have installed `slc_cli`, Simplicity Commander and MSYS2.

To install `slc_cli`, just download the zip file from [here](#), unzip under `C:/SiliconLabs` folder and add `slc_cli` to the PATH.

To install Simplicity Commander, just download the zip from [here](#), unzip under `C:/SiliconLabs` folder and add Simplicity Commander folder to the path.

To install MSYS2, if not installed yet, install it by issuing:

```
1 winget install MSYS2.MSYS2
```

after this is installed, open an MSYS2 terminal, and run:

```
1 pacman -S make
```

once done, add `C:/msys64/usr/bin` to the PATH (adapt the URI accordingly to your system).

## Configuring and Compiling the project

The project does not need to be configured, it is already configured so new versions with new SDKs can be compiled and distributed. To get a new version of SDK, you can just download from [here](#), once downloaded, the common approach is to unpack them under

```
C:/Users/YOUR_USER/SimplicityStudio/SDKs
```

After that, in a terminal, run:

```
1 slc signature trust --sdk C:/Users/YOUR_USER/SimplicityStudio/SDKs/gecko_sdk_4.4.2
2 slc signature trust --sdk C:/Users/YOUR_USER/SimplicityStudio/SDKs/gecko_sdk_4.4.2 --extension-path
  C:/Users/YOUR_USER/SimplicityStudio/SDKs/gecko_sdk_4.4.2/extension/nc_efr32_watchdog_extension
```

Now you can clone the project from the repository:

```
1 git clone git@bitbucket.org:seacomp-eu/silabs-firmware-builder.git
```

and inside the folder just created type this (adapt the paths to your needs):

```
1 python "tools/build_project.py" --sdk "C:/Users/Dell/SimplicityStudio/SDKs/gecko_sdk_4.4.4" --toolchain
  "C:/SiliconLabs/SimplicityStudio/v5/developer/toolchains/gnu_arm/12.2.rell_2023.7" --manifest
  "C:/Users/Dell/SimplicityStudio/v5_workspace/silabs-firmware-builder/manifests/nabucasa/yellow_ncp-uart-
  hw.yaml" --postbuild "C:/Users/Dell/SimplicityStudio/v5_workspace/silabs-firmware-builder/tools/create_gbl.py"
  --build-dir build --output-dir output --output gbl --output out --output hex
```

You will find the builds on the `output` directory.