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# RX63N Group

## Renesas Starter Kit+ Tutorial Manual
## For e² studio

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- ensure attached cables do not lie across the equipment
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# How to Use This Manual

## 1. Purpose and Target Readers

This manual is designed to provide the user with an understanding of the RSK+ hardware functionality, and electrical characteristics. It is intended for users designing sample code on the RSK+ platform, using the many different incorporated peripheral devices.

The manual comprises of an overview of the capabilities of the RSK+ product, but does not intend to be a guide to embedded programming or hardware design. Further details regarding operating the RX63N microcontroller may be found in the RX63N Group, RX631 Group User's Manual: Hardware and within the provided sample code.

Particular attention should be paid to the precautionary notes when using the manual. These notes occur within the body of the text, at the end of each section, and in the Usage Notes section.

The revision history summarizes the locations of revisions and additions. It does not list all revisions. Refer to the text of the manual for details.

The following documents apply to the RSK+RX63N-256K. Make sure to refer to the latest versions of these documents. The newest versions of the documents listed may be obtained from the Renesas Electronics Web site.

| Document Type | Description | Document Title | Document No. |
|---|---|---|---|
| User’s Manual | Describes the technical details of the RSK+ hardware. | RSK+RX63N-256K User Manual | R20UT3076EG |
| Tutorial Manual | Provides a guide to setting up RSK+ environment, running sample code and debugging programs. | RSK+RX63N-256K Tutorial Manual | R20UT3077EG |
| Quick Start Guide | Provides simple instructions to setup the RSK+ and run the first sample, on a single A4 sheet. | RSK+RX63N-256K Quick Start Guide | R20UT3078EG |
| USB Function Manual | Provides sample instructions to configure the RSK+ and Host PC for running the USB function sample code. | RSK+RX63N USB Function Manual | R20UT0442EG |
| Schematics | Full detail circuit schematics of the RSK+. | RSK+RX63N-256K Schematics | R20UT0437EG |
| Hardware Manual | Provides technical details of the RX63N microcontroller. | RX63N Group, RX631 Group User's Manual: Hardware | R01UH0041EJ |

## 2. List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

| Abbreviation | Full Form |
|---|---|
| ADC | Analog to Digital Converter |
| E1 | E1 Emulator |
| E20 | E20 Emulator |
| EMC | ElectroMagnetic Compatibility |
| ESD | ElectroStatic Discharge |
| GDB | GNU Debugger |
| LCD | Liquid Crystal Display |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode |
| PC | Program Counter |
| ROM | Read-Only Memory |
| RSK+ | Renesas Starter Kit+ |
| USB | Universal Serial Bus |

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# 1. Overview

## 1.1 Purpose

This RSK+ is an evaluation tool for Renesas microcontrollers. This manual describes how to get the RSK+ tutorial started, and basic debugging operations.

## 1.2 Features

This RSK+ provides an evaluation of the following features:

- Renesas microcontroller programming
- User code debugging
- User circuitry such as switches, LEDs and a potentiometer
- Sample application
- Sample peripheral device initialisation code

The RSK+ board contains all the circuitry required for microcontroller operation.

## 1.3 Scope

This manual covers the RSK+RX63N-256K which is fitted a R5F563NFDDFC microcontroller.

For the RSK+RX63N please refer to Tutorial Manual R20UT2044EG, which can be found at http://www.renesas.com/rskrx63n.

# 2. Introduction

This manual is designed to answer, in tutorial form, the most common questions asked about using a Renesas Starter Kit+ (RSK+). The tutorials help explain the following:

- How do I compile, link, download and run a simple program on the RSK+?
- How do I build an embedded application?
- How do I use Renesas' tools?

Files referred to in this manual are installed using the project generator as you work through the tutorials. The tutorial examples in this manual assume that installation procedures described in the RSK+ Quick Start Guide have been completed. Please refer to the quick start guide for details of preparing the configuration.

> These tutorials are designed to show you how to use the RSK+ and are not intended as a comprehensive introduction to e$^2$ studio, compiler toolchains or the E1 emulator. Please refer to the relevant user manuals for more in-depth information.

## 2.1 Note Regarding Source Code

Due to the project generator, it is possible that the line numbers for source code illustrated in this document does not match exactly with that in the actual source files. It is also possible that the source address of instructions illustrated in this manual differs from a user's code compiled from the same source. These differences are minor, and do not effect the functionality of the sample code or the validity of this accompanying manual.

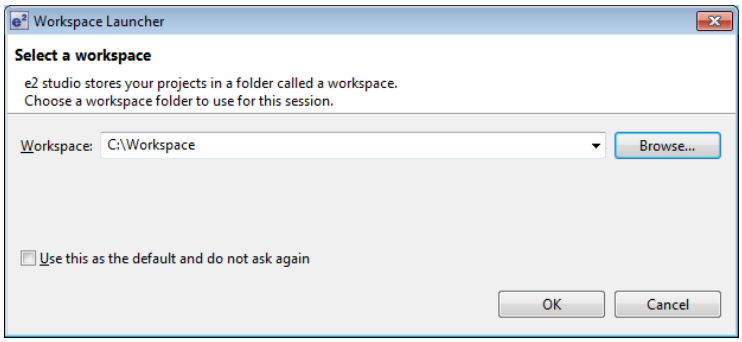
# 3. Project Workspace

## 3.1 Introduction

e$^2$ studio is an open source integrated development tool that allows the user to write, compile, program and debug a software project on many of the Renesas Microcontrollers.

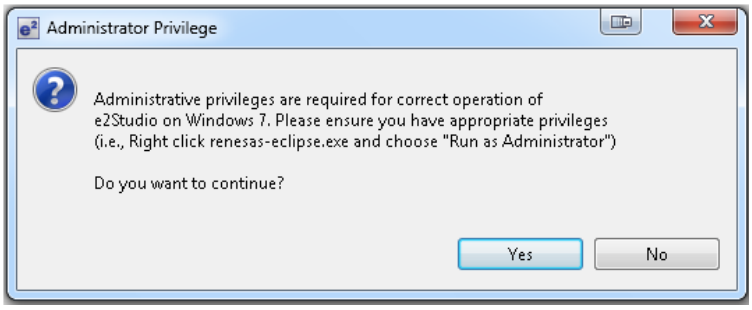
## 3.2 Starting e$^2$ studio and Importing Sample Code

- Start e$^2$ studio by selecting it from Start Menu. The first dialog to appear will be the Workspace Launcher.



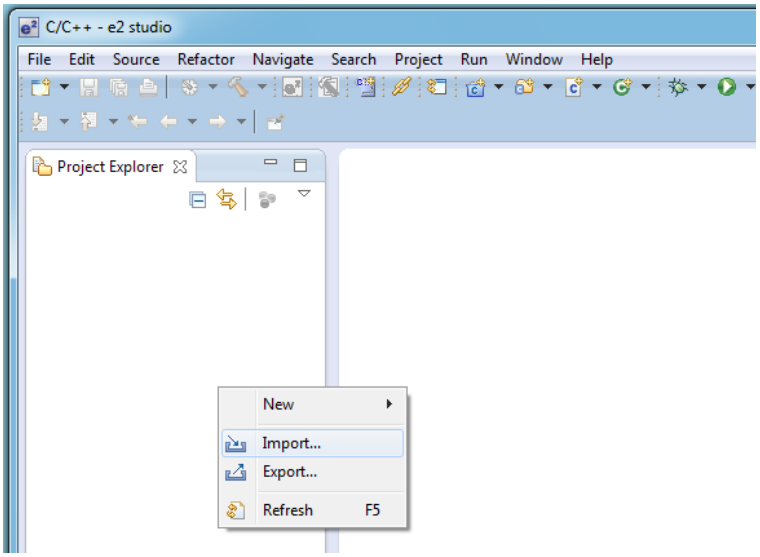

- Click 'Browse' and select a suitable location to store your workspace, using the 'Make New Folder' option as necessary. Click 'OK'.

- Click 'Yes' when presented with the 'Administrator Privilege' dialog.

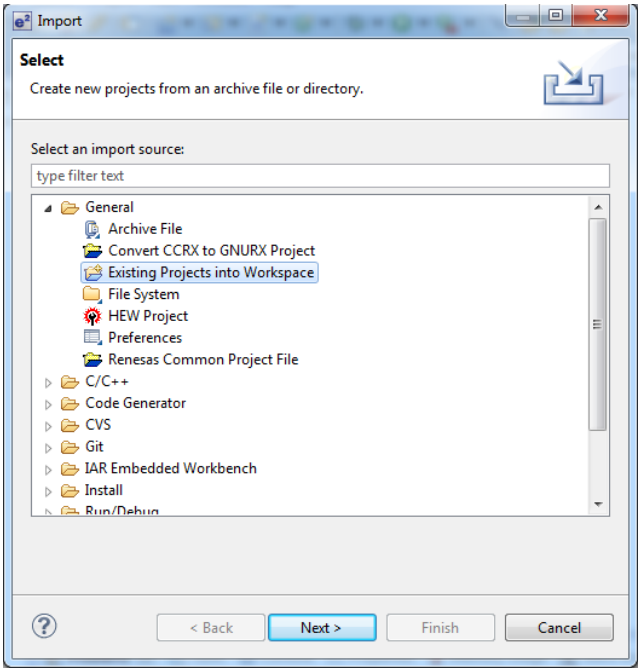



- The e2 studio welcome splash screen will appear. Click the 'Go to the workbench' arrow button on the far right.

- Once the e$^2$ studio environment has initialised, right click in the project explorer window and click ‘Import…’

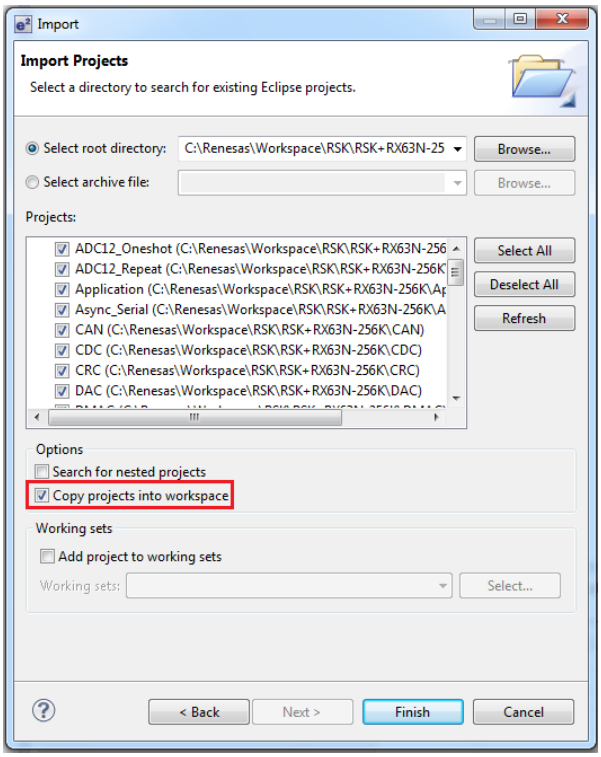



- The Import dialog will now appear. Expand the ‘General’ folder icon, and select “Existing Projects into Workspace”, then click ‘Next’.



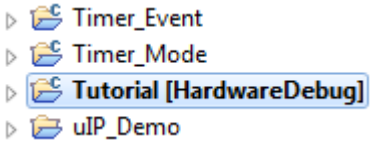
- The import dialog will now allow you to specify the project to import. Click the 'Browse' button, and locate the following directory:

**C:\Renesas\Workspace\RSK\RSK+RX63N-256K**




- Ensure that the 'Copy projects into work-space' option is ticked, and then click 'Finish'.

- Click on Tutorial from the list of projects in the 'Project Explorer' on the left-hand side.



## 3.3 Build Configurations and Debug Sessions

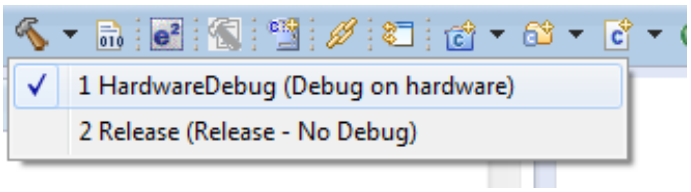
### 3.3.1 Build Configuration

The e$^2$ studio project will be created with two build configurations these will be ‘HardwareDebug’ and ‘Release’.

**Release**
This build mode has optimisation turned on, and provides little debug information. The C code instruction execution may appear to be out of order, due to the way compiler optimises the code. This build configuration is intended for final ROM-programmable code.

**HardwareDebug**
This build mode has all optimisation turned off, and provides full debug information. This is the best configuration to use whilst developing code. C code instruction execution will be linear.

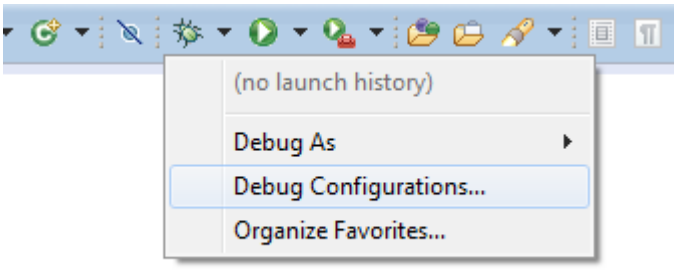
- Click the top level tutorial project folder again, and then the arrow next to the build button (hammer icon), and select the ‘HardwareDebug’ option.



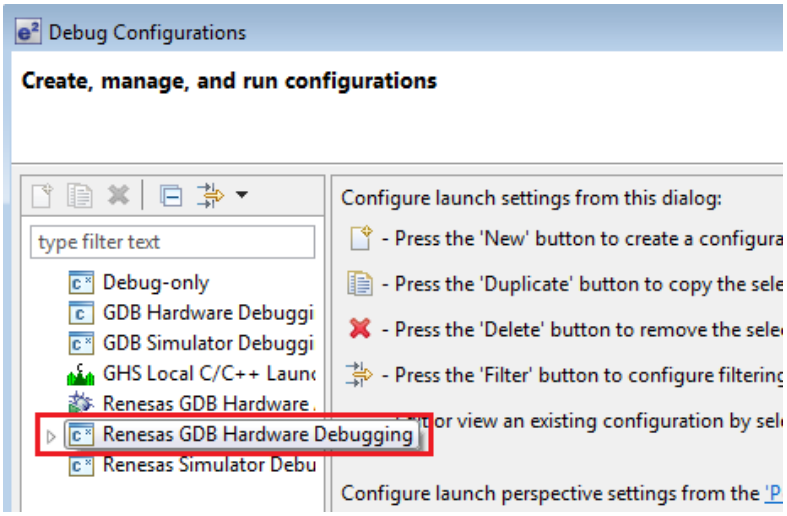

- e$^2$ studio will now build the code.

### 3.3.2 Debug Configuration

- Click the arrow next to the debug button (bug icon). Select 'Debug Configurations'.

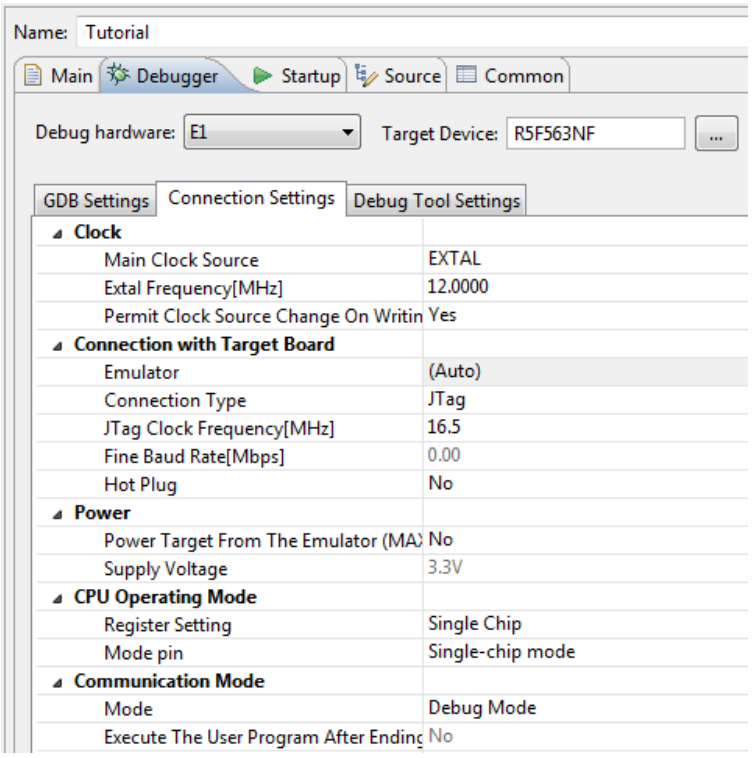



- The 'Debug Configuration' dialog will appear. Click the small arrow next to 'Renesas GDB Hardware Debugging' option.
- The build configurations for each project will appear. Select the entry for the tutorial project.



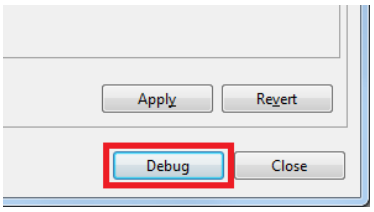

- Ensure J8 and J9 are open. Failure to do so will result in damage to the RSK+.
- Connect the 12V power supply.
- The debug configurations control page will then show for the tutorial project. Change the main tab to 'Debugger', and then secondary tab to 'Connection Settings'. Check through the debugger settings. Refer to the RSK+'s User Manual for details of power supply configurations.

**Note**: e$^2$ studio will display a warning dialog if you attempted to connect with an incorrect power supply setting.

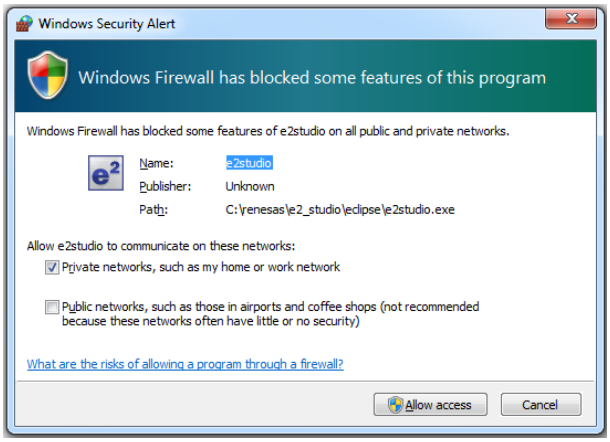



**Note:** *If you wish to use breakpoints in the debugging session, you will need to set* "**permit clock source change on writing internal flash memory = yes**"

- Click the debug button to continue. e$^2$ studio will now connect to the debugger, and download the code to the target.

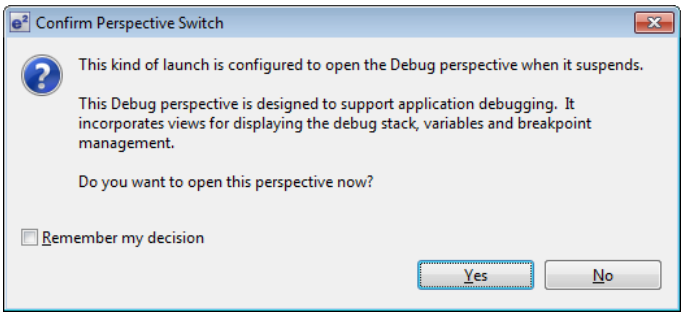



- A firewall warning may be displayed for ‘e2-server-gdb.exe’. Check the ‘Private networks, such as my home or work network’ box and click ‘Allow access’.




- A user account control dialog may be displayed. Enter the administrator password and click <Yes>

- e$^2$ studio may display a dialog, asking if you would like to switch to the ‘Renesas Debug perspective’. Click ‘Yes’.




- The new e$^2$ studio perspective layout is optimised for debugging.

## 3.4 Running the Tutorial

- Once the code has been downloaded, the program counter will stop at the entry vector, usually the ‘PowerON_Reset_PC’ function.

- Click the ‘Resume’ button to let the code run. It will keep running up to the ‘main’ function. Execute the main code function.

- It is recommended that you execute the entire tutorial demo first, before continuing to debug it.

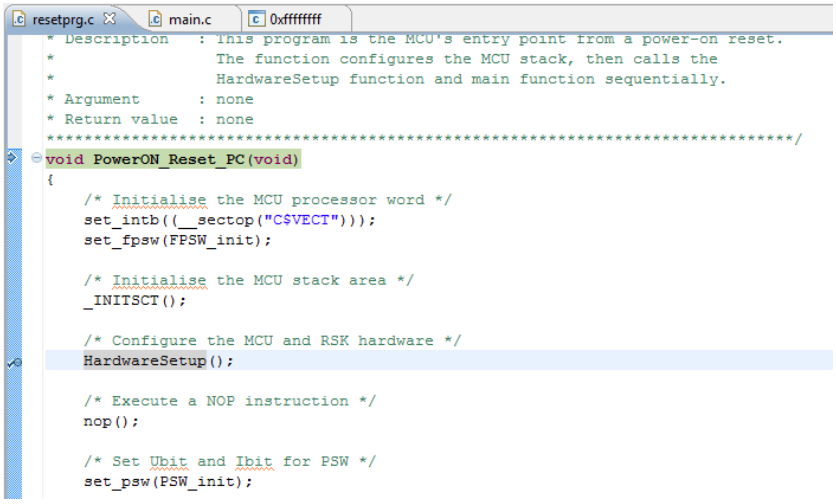
# 4. Basic Debugging of the Tutorial Program

This section will look at basic debugging functionality in e$^2$ studio.

## 4.1 Program Initialisation

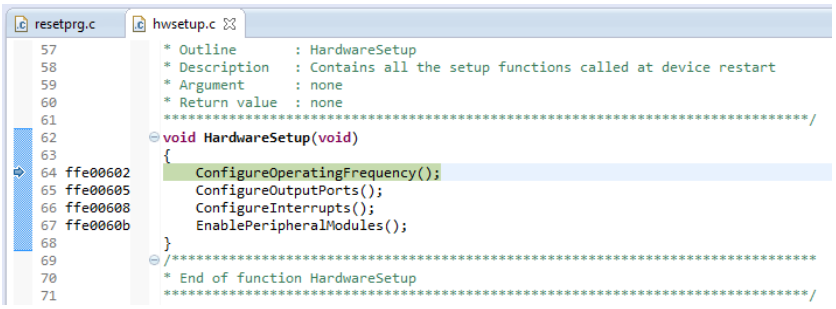
Before the main program can run, the microcontroller must be configured. The following parts of the tutorial program are used exclusively for initialising the RSK+ device so that the main function can execute correctly. The initialisation code is run every time the device is reset via the reset switch or from a power reboot.

- After downloading the code. The File window will open the Tutorial code at the entry point. The program counter position will be highlighted
- Double click the blue section to the left of the code in line with the 'HardwareSetup();' line. This will add a software breakpoint, indicated by a blue tick and a dot.
- Click the 'Resume' button to run the code up to this breakpoint.




- Click the 'Step Into' button (or press F5), to step into the 'HardwareSetup' function.

- The 'HardwareSetup' function calls several initialisation functions which configure the MCU for normal operation. This includes input/output ports, and system clocks.
- The user can step through all the initialisation code by clicking the 'Step Into' icon and reading the code and comments. For this guide, we will skip past it.
- Click the 'Resume' button, to run the code up to the main function.

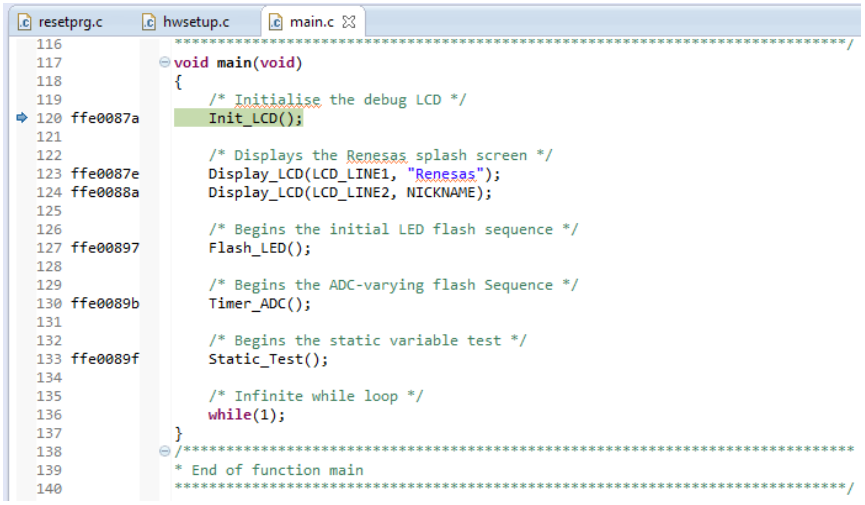



For further details regarding hardware configuration, please refer to the RSK+RX63N-256K User's Manual and the RX63N Group, RX631 Group User's Manual: Hardware.

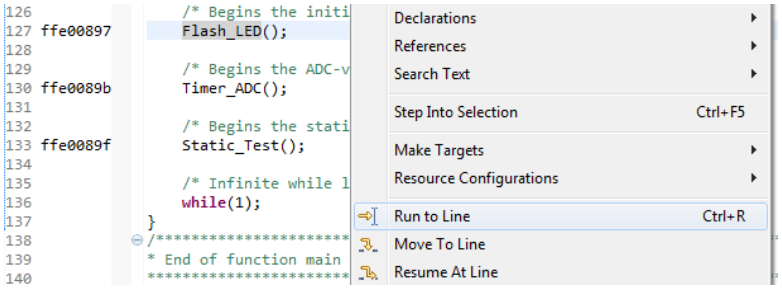
## 4.2 Main Functions

This section will look at the program code called from with the main() function, and how it works.

- The main function first initialises the debug LCD, and then displays 'Renesas' and the RSK+ name on the screen.
- Support for the LCD display is included in the tutorial code. We do not need to be concerned about the details of the LCD interface – except that the interface is write-only and so is not affected if the LCD display is attached or not.

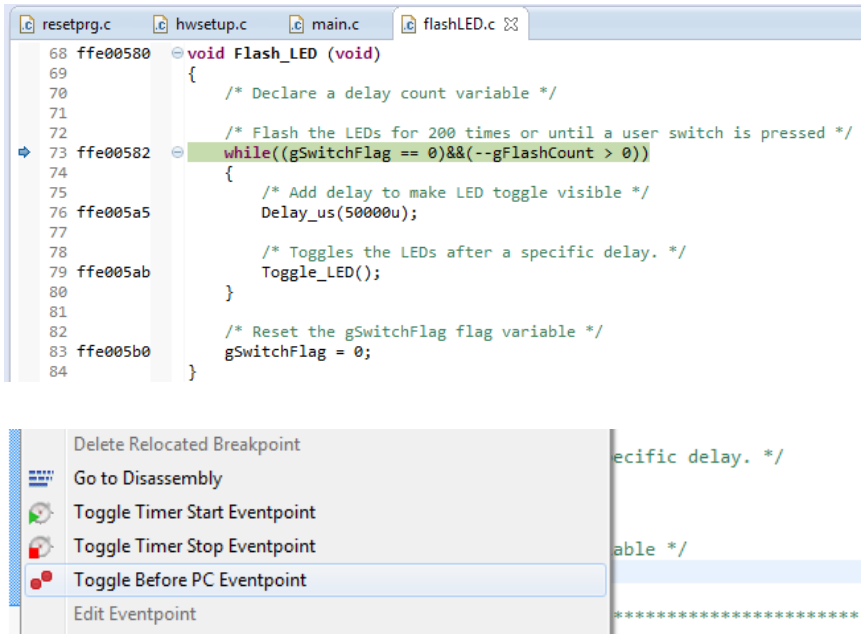



- Left click line with the function call 'Flash_LED()' to select it, then right click it and select the option 'Run to Line'.
- This will cause the target to execute all code before this line. This can be observed by the text displayed on the debug LCD.

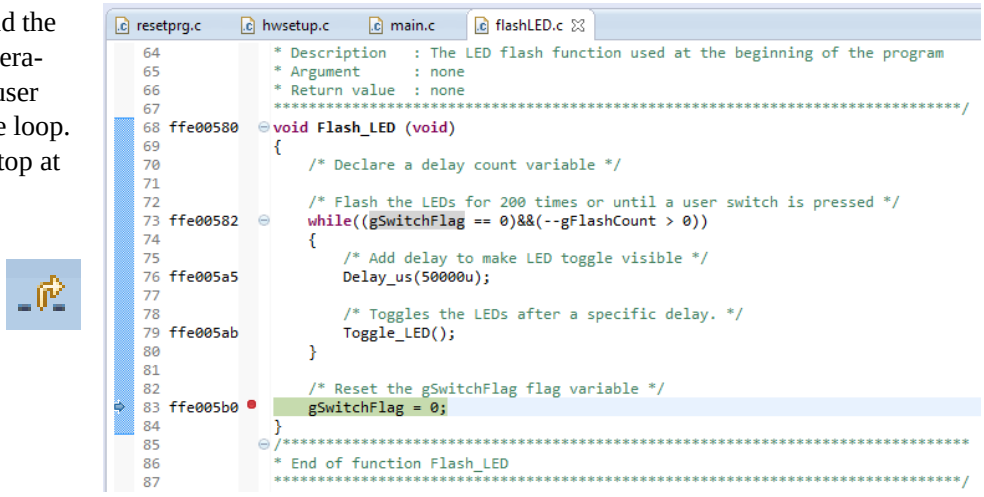



- Click the 'Step Into' button to step into the Flash_LED function.

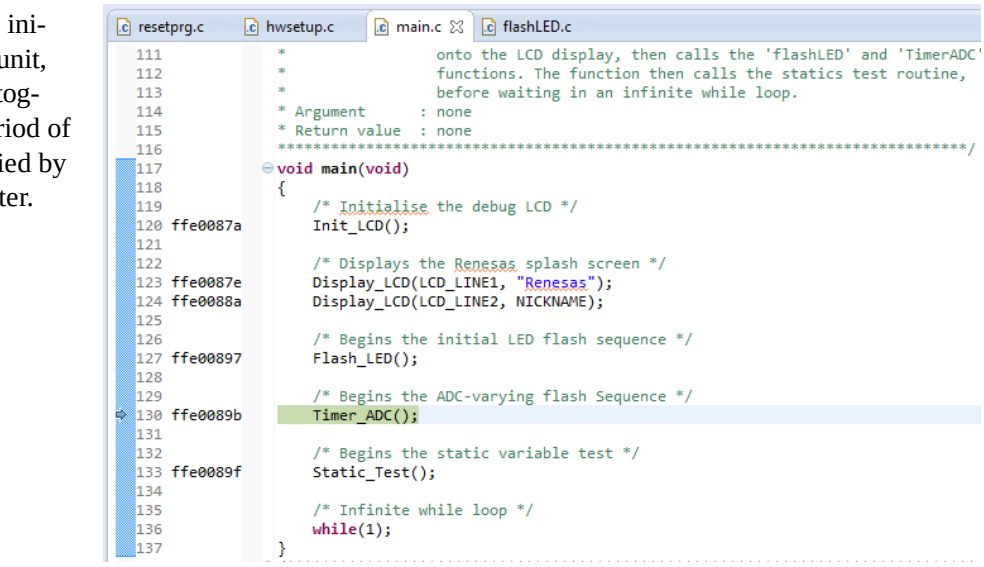
- The program counter will now move to the Flash_LED function. The while loop iterates through and toggles the user LEDs. This loop will continue until it has flashed the LEDs 200 times or a user switch is pressed.
- Left click the line 'gSwitchFlag = 0', and right click in the blue section to the right and select 'Toggle Before PC Eventpoint'.
- This will insert a hardware event point at this code line.



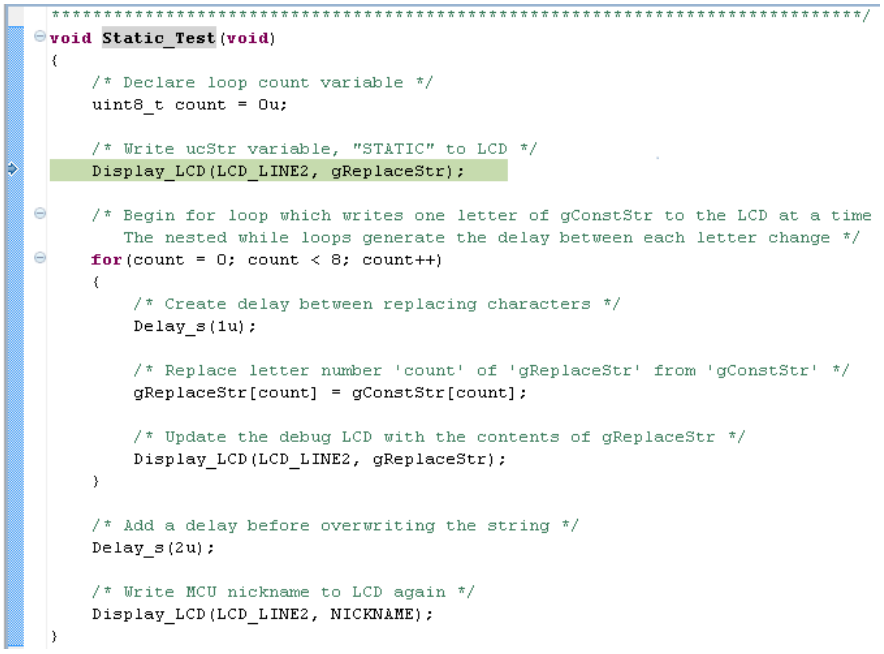
- Click the resume button, and the RSK will run through the iteration loop. Press one of the user switches to proceed past the loop. The program counter will stop at the hardware eventpoint.
- Click the 'Step Return' button to exit the 'Flash_LED' function and return to main.




- The 'Timer_ADC' function initialises the ADC and timer unit, so that a periodic interrupt toggles the user LEDs. The period of the periodic interrupt is varied by the value of the potentiometer.




- Click the 'Step Over' button (or press F6) to step the program counter onto the next function, 'Static_Test'.
- Click 'Step Into' to enter the 'Static_Test' function.
- In the *for* loop, the contents of the string 'gReplaceStr' are replaced with the contents 'gConstStr', one element at a time.
- While this happens, the code is regularly interrupted by the Timer ADC code, allowing both to appear to run simultaneously.

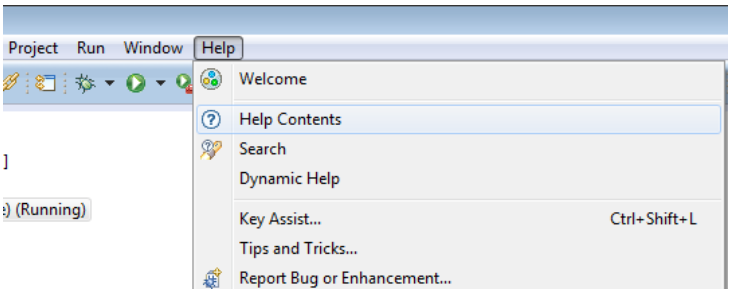


- Click the resume button to run the code through. 
- You can observe the user LED flash rate vary as you adjust the potentiometer, at the same time as the debug LCD string change character by character from ‘STATIC’ to ‘TESTTEST’.
- This is the extent of the tutorial code.

# 5. Additional Information

### Technical Support

For details on how to use e$^2$ studio, refer to the help file by opening e$^2$ studio and clicking 'Help' and selecting 'Help Contents'




For information about the RX63N series microcontrollers refer to the RX63N Group, RX631 Group User's Manual: Hardware.

For information about the RX assembly language, refer to the RX Series Software Manual.

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