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Renesas Starter Kit+ Tutorial Manual  
For DS-5

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- power down the equipment when not in use
- consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help NOTE: It is recommended that wherever possible shielded interface cables are used.

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- The user is advised to take ESD precautions when handling 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 how to use the DS-5 IDE to develop and debug software for the RSK platform. It is intended for users designing sample code on the RSK platform, using the many different incorporated peripheral devices.

The manual comprises of step-by-step instructions to load and debug a project in DS-5, but does not intend to be a complete guide to software development on the RSK platform. Further details regarding operating the RZA1H microcontroller may be found in the Hardware Manual 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 RZA1H Group. 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+RZA1H User's Manual	R20UT2587EG
Tutorial	Provides a guide to setting up RSK environment, running sample code and debugging programs.	RSK+RZA1H Tutorial Manual	R20UT2845EG
Quick Start Guide	Provides simple instructions to setup the RSK and run the first sample, on a single A4 sheet.	RSK+RZA1H Quick Start Guide	R20UT2588EG
Schematics	Full detail circuit schematics of the RSK.	RSK+RZA1H Schematics	R20UT2586EG
Hardware Manual	Provides technical details of the RZA1H microcontroller.	RZA1H Group Hardware Manual	R01UH0403EJ

## 2. List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

Abbreviation	Full Form
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
DS-5	ARM <i>Development Studio</i> Integrated Debugging Environment
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
J-LINK	On-chip Debugger
LCD	Liquid Crystal Display
LED	Light Emitting Diode
MCU	Micro-controller Unit
QSPI	Quad Serial Programming Interface
RSK	Renesas Starter Kit
RSK+	Renesas Starter Kit + (denotes extra functionality over standard RSK)

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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.

## 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 import wizard 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 the DS-5 environment, compiler toolchains or the J-Link Lite debugger. 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 line numbers for source code illustrated in this document do not match exactly with that in the actual source files. It is also possible that the source address of instructions illustrated in this manual differ from those in user code compiled from the same source. These differences are minor, and do not affect the functionality of the sample code nor the validity of this manual.



## 3. Tutorial Project Workspace

### 3.1 Introduction

DS-5 is an integrated development tool that allows the user to write, compile, program and debug a software project on the RZ family of Renesas microcontrollers. DS-5 will have been installed during the installation of the software support for the Renesas Starter Kit product. This manual will describe the stages required to create and debug the supplied tutorial code.

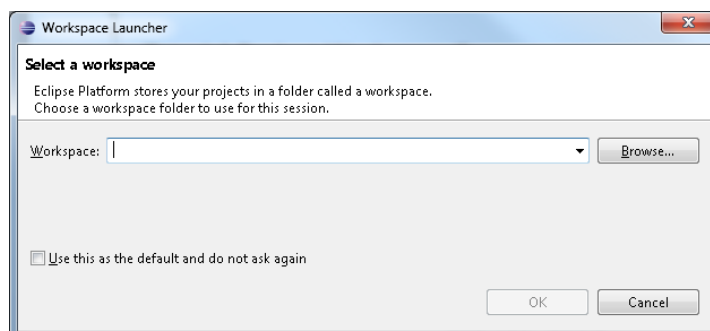
### 3.2 Jumper and Switch Configuration

Ensure jumpers and switches are in the following positions:

Jumper	Pins	Switch	Position	Switch	Position
JP11	2 - 3	SW4-1	OFF	SW6-1	OFF
JP12	1 - 2	SW4-2	OFF	SW6-2	ON
JP18	1 - 2	SW4-3	OFF	SW6-3	OFF
JP21	1 - 2	SW4-4	OFF	SW6-4	ON
PWR_SEL	2 - 3	SW4-5	OFF	SW6-5	ON
--	--	SW4-6	OFF	SW6-6	ON
--	--	SW4-7	OFF	--	--
--	--	SW4-8	OFF	--	--

### 3.3 Starting DS-5 and Importing Sample Code

- Start Eclipse for DS-5 by selecting it from the Start Menu -> All Programs -> ARM DS-5 -> Eclipse for DS-5. The first dialog box to appear will be the Workspace Launcher.
- Click 'Browse' and select a suitable location to store your workspace, using the 'Create New Folder' option as necessary. Click 'OK'.

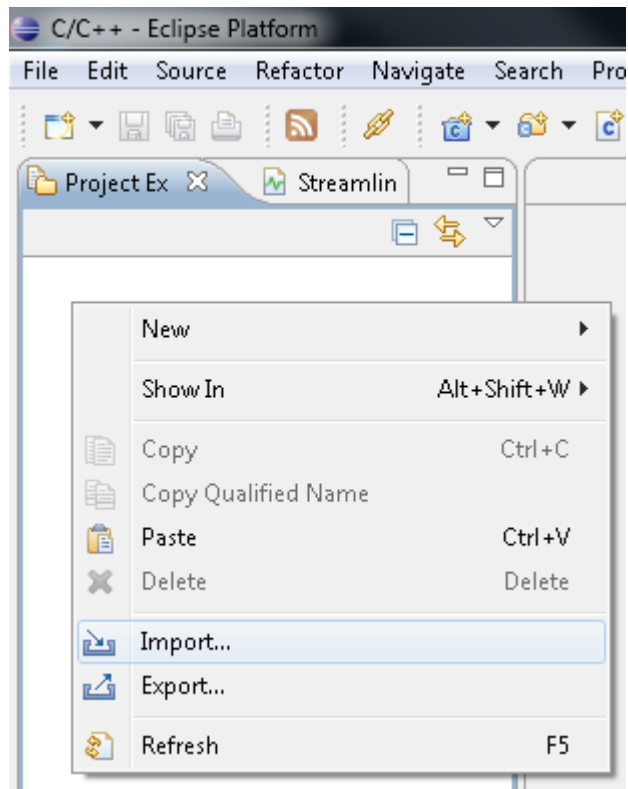


Note: The Workspace location does not have to contain your project files, the workspace contains the configuration of the tool and can group projects together. Projects may be referred to from this location, or the projects may be stored under this directory.

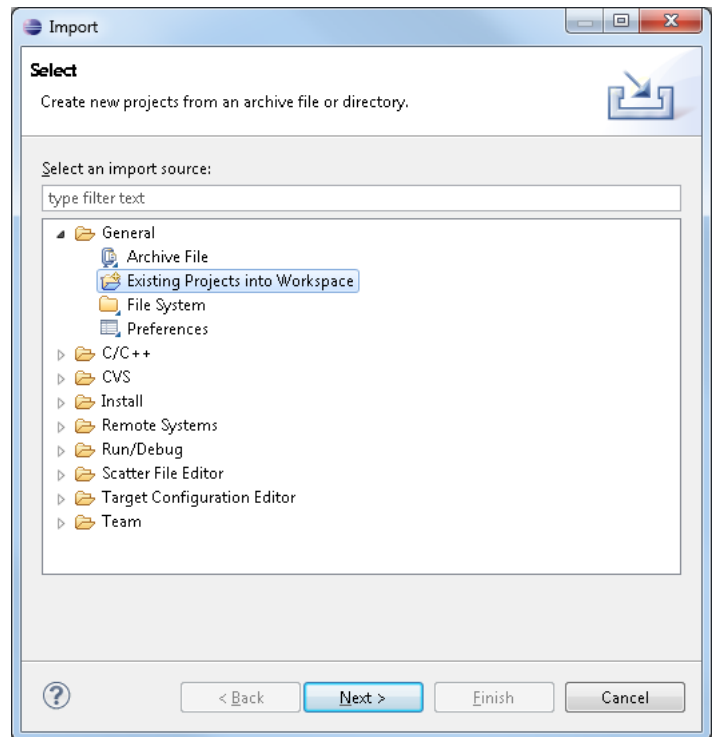
- The DS-5 welcome splash screen will appear. Click the 'Go to the workbench' arrow button on the far right (circled in the screenshot opposite).



- Once the environment has initialised, right click in the 'Project Explorer' window and select 'Import...'



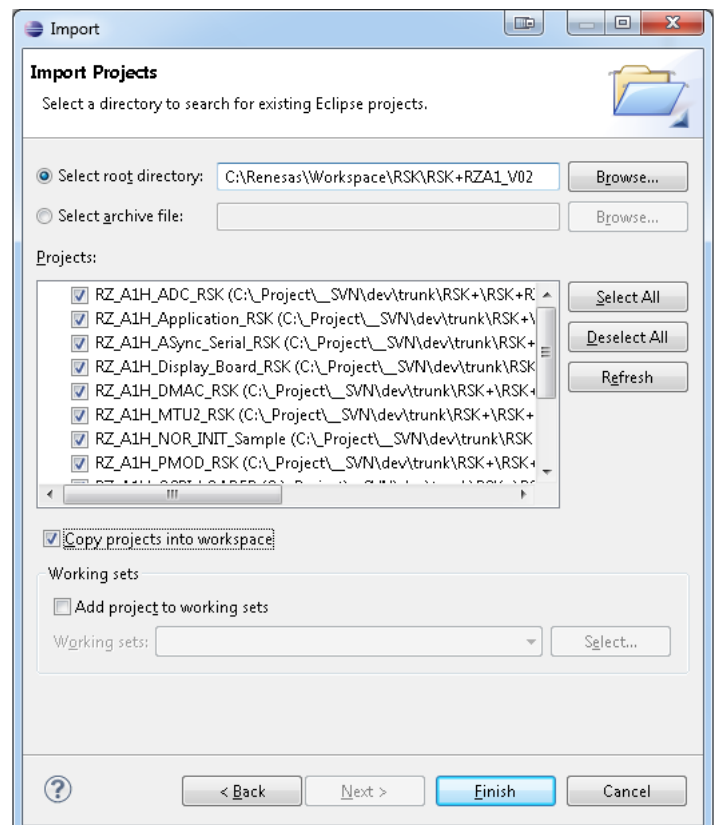
- The Import dialog box will now show. Expand the 'General' folder icon, and select 'Existing Projects into Workspace', then click 'Next'.



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

C:\Renesas\Workspace\RSK\RSK+RZA1\_V02

- Ensure that the 'Copy projects into workspace' option is ticked.
- Caution: Ticking this box will copy the projects from the location where they were installed. It is important to select this option to preserve the projects that were installed so that you can return to them in the future.
- Click 'Finish'.

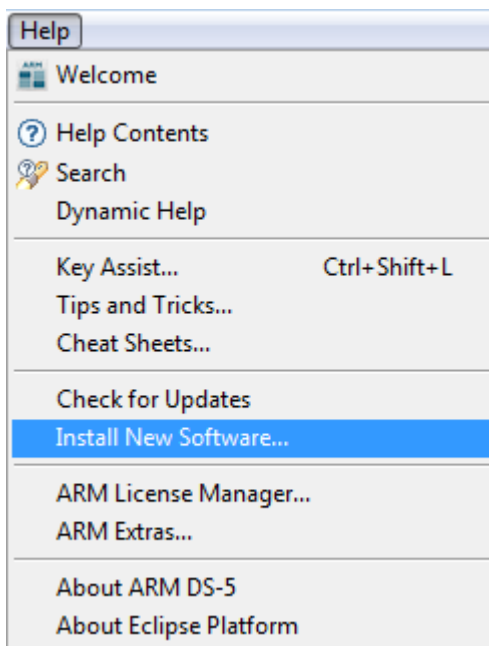


### 3.4 Adding GNU Toolchain Support for DS-5

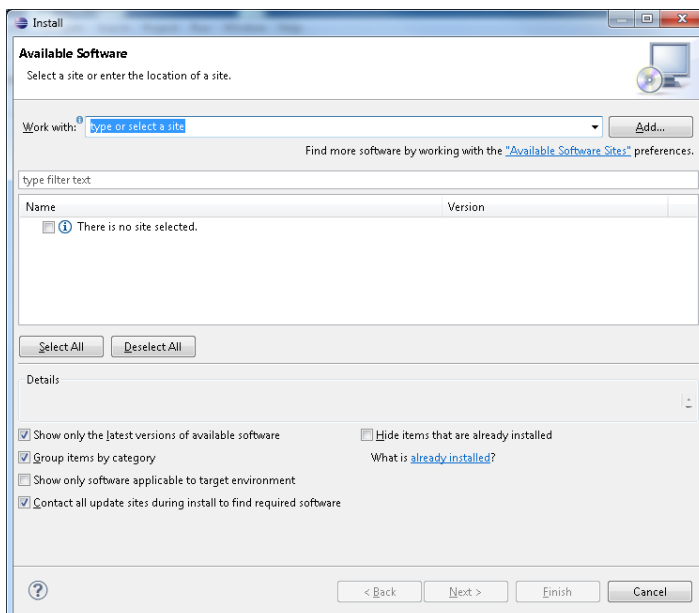
After initial installation of the RSK+RZA1H, it is necessary to import the GNU ARM-RZ Toolchain into DS-5. The steps required to import the toolchain are described in this section. Note that these steps only need to be performed once per Windows™ workstation.

This process will require internet access to download the referenced packages.

- From the DS-5 'Help' menu, select 'Install New Software...'



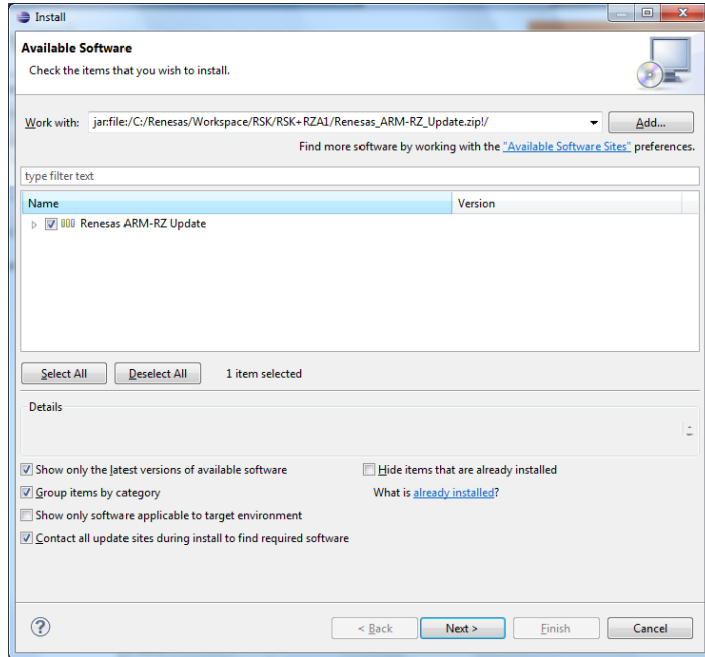
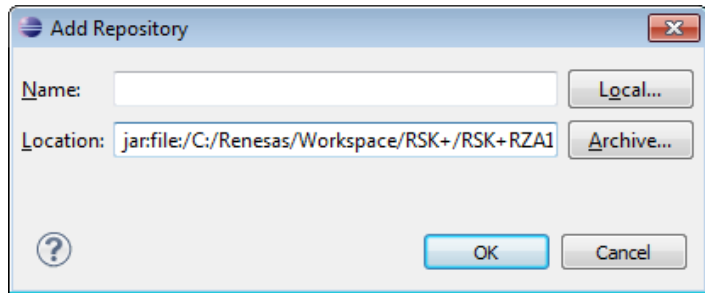
- From the Install dialog, select 'Add...'



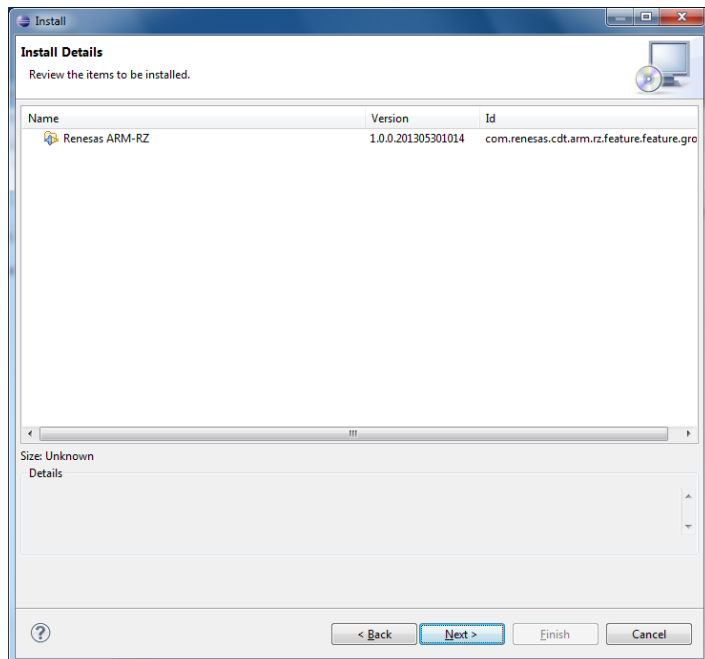
- The Add Repository dialog box will allow you to specify the .zip archive which is supplied with the RSK. Click the 'Archive..' button and browse to

C:\Renesas\Workspace\RSK\RSK+RZA1\_V02\Renesas\_ARM-RZ\_Update.zip

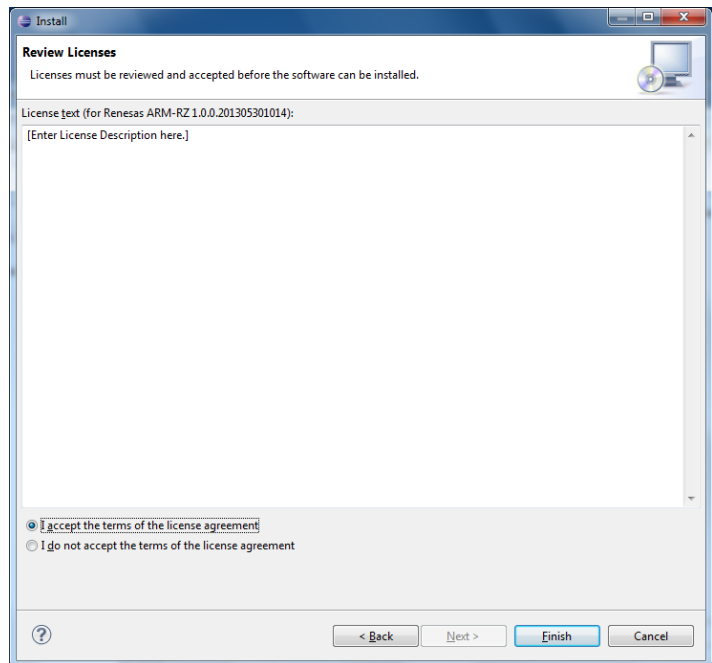
- Click 'OK' .
- Back in the 'Install' dialog, ensure that the tick box next to 'Renesas ARM-RZ Update' is selected, then click 'Next >'.



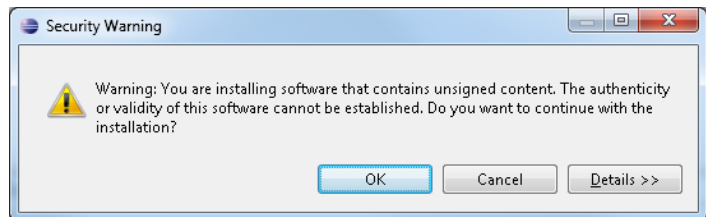
- The Install dialog will appear, click 'Next'.



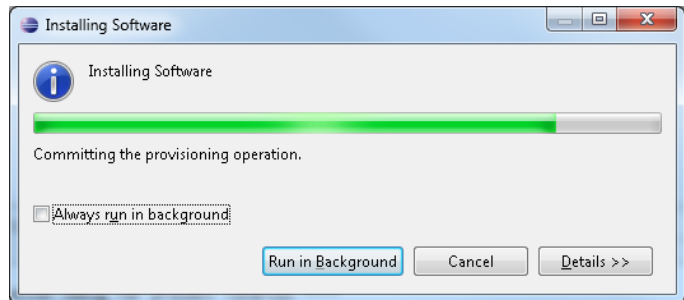
- The Review Licenses dialog will appear, click 'Finish'.



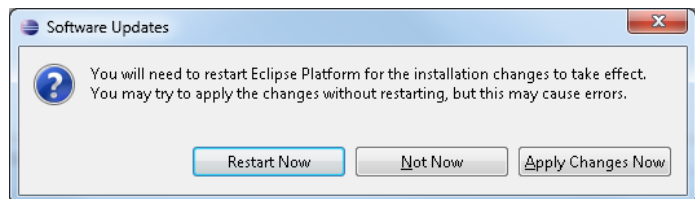
- A security dialog will appear. Click 'OK'.



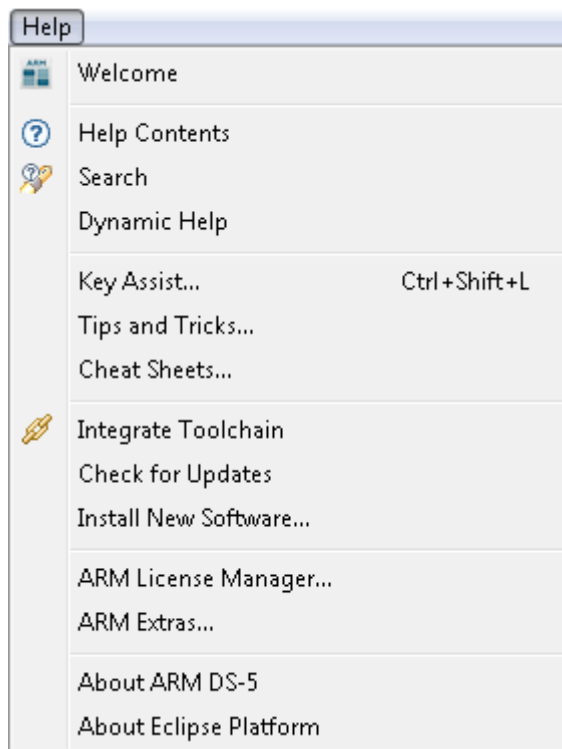
- The toolchain software will be installed.



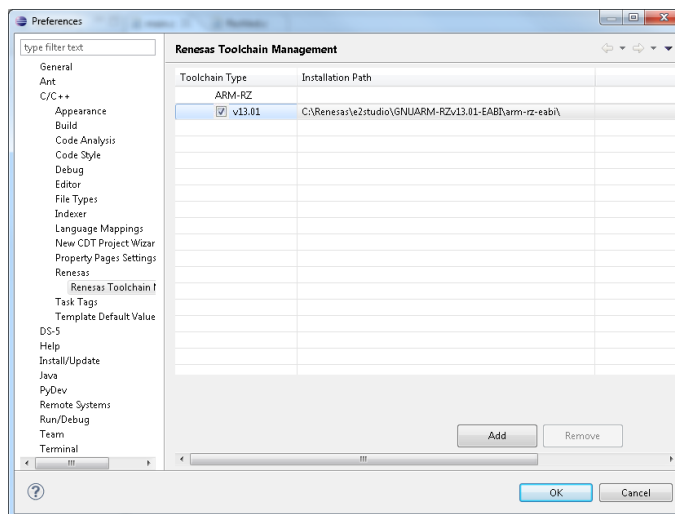
- After installation has completed it will be necessary to restart DS-5. Click 'Restart Now'.



- Once DS-5 has restarted, in the DS-5 'Help' menu, there will now be a new item 'Integrate Toolchain'. Select this menu item.



- In the 'Preferences' dialog, under 'C/C++ -> Renesas -> Renesas Toolchain Management', ensure the tick-box is checked as shown opposite, then click 'OK'.



### 3.5 Build Configurations and Debug Sessions

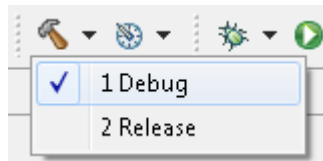
#### 3.5.1 Build Configuration

The DS-5 workspace will be created with two build configurations: 'Debug' and 'Release'.

##### Debug

This default build mode has all optimisation turned off, and provides full debug information. This is the best configuration to use whilst developing code as C code execution will be linear. The 'Debug' build configuration provided for this Tutorial program is configured to load the code directly into RAM.

- Click the top level 'Tutorial' folder again, and then the arrow next to the build button (hammer icon), and select the 'Debug' option.

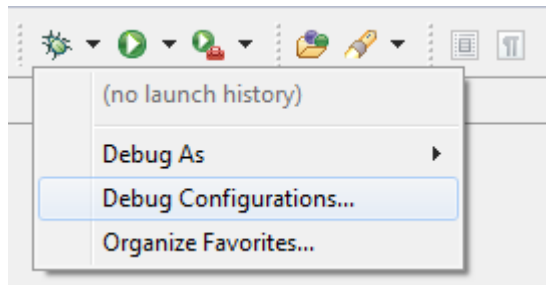


DS-5 will now build the code.

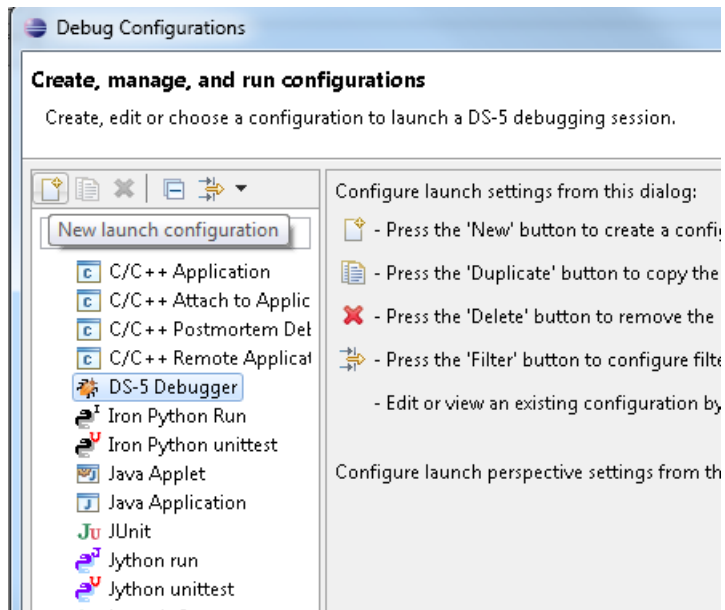
- The output from the build process will be presented in the console window of DS5

#### 3.5.2 Debug Configuration

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

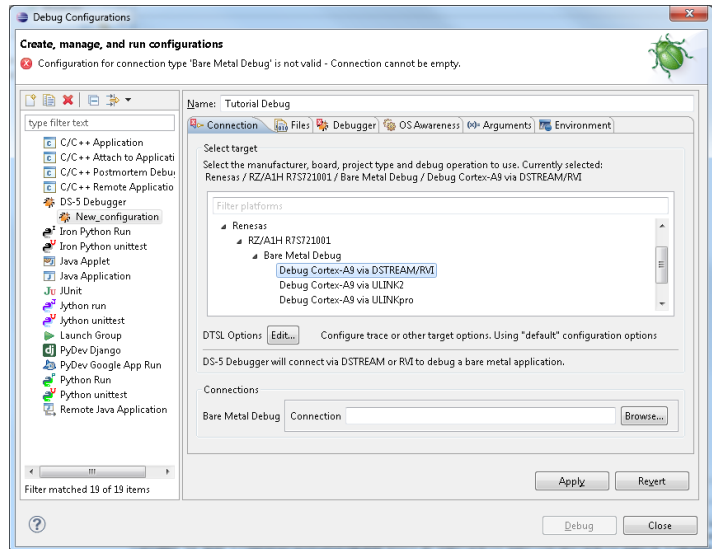


- The 'Debug Configurations' dialog box will appear. Click on the 'DS-5 Debugger' icon.
- Press the 'New' button to create a new DS-5 Debugger configuration.





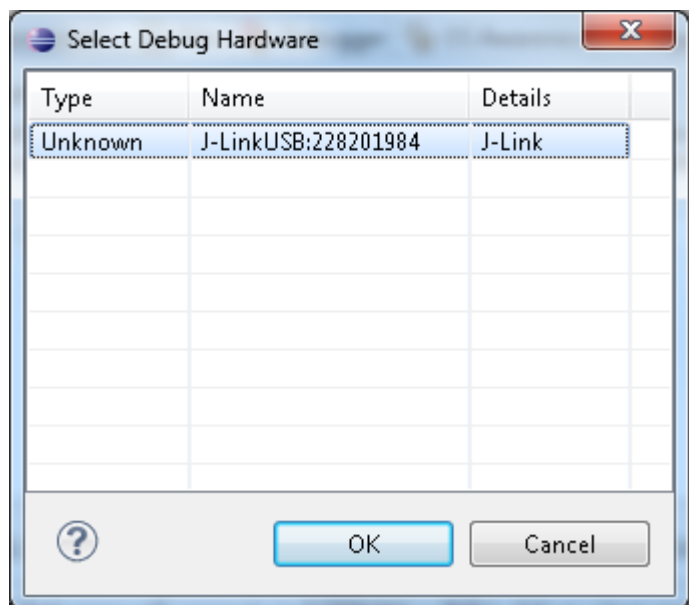
- The debug configurations control page will then be created. In the 'Connection' tab, rename the configuration 'Tutorial Debug'.
- In the 'Select Target' tree control, ensure that 'Renesas -> RZ/A1H R7S721001 -> Bare Metal Debug -> Debug Cortex-A9 via DSTREAM/RVI' is selected.
- In 'Connections', click the 'Browse...' button.



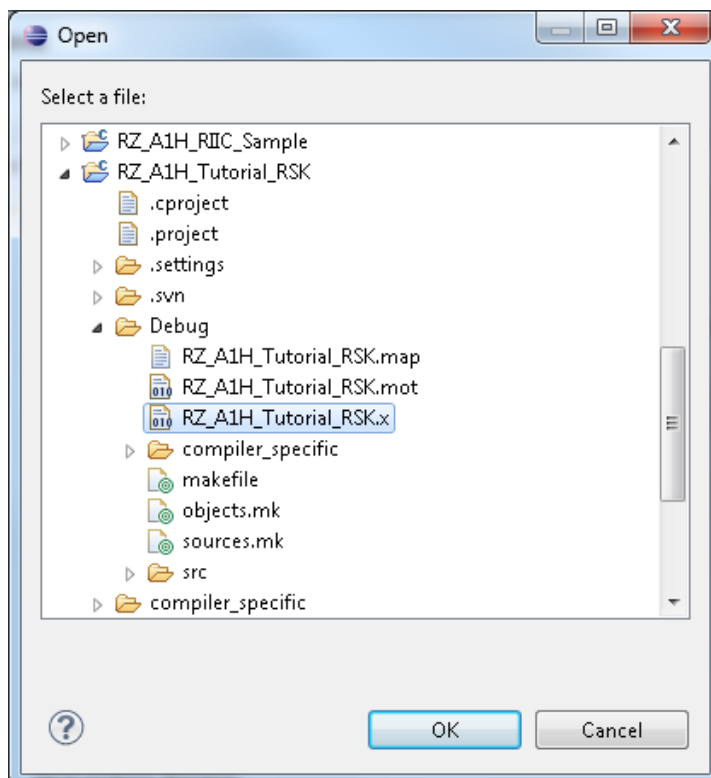
- A security dialog may appear indicating that the Windows Firewall has blocked some features of the eclipse platform. Under 'Allow eclipse to communicate on these networks', ensure the check box next to 'Private networks, such as my home or work network' is ticked. Click 'Allow access'



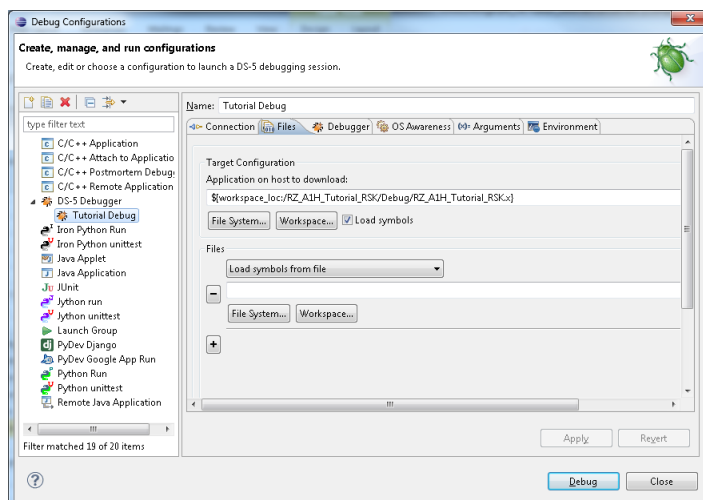
- In the 'Select Debug Hardware' dialog, select 'J-LinkUSB:xxxxxxx'. Click OK.
- Append ":\device R7S721001\_DualSPI" to the connection serial number string, for example "J-LinkUSB:xxxxxxx:\device R7S721001\_DualSPI".
- In the 'Connection' tab click 'Apply', then select the 'Files' tab.



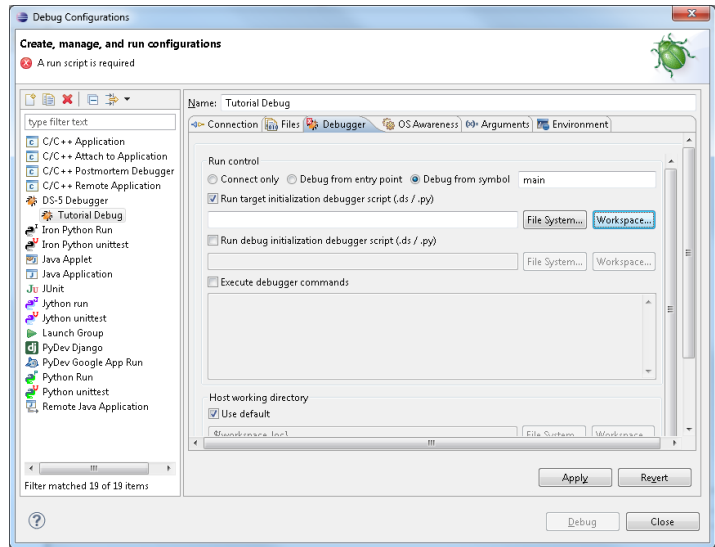
- In the 'Files' tab, under 'Target Configuration -> Application on host to download', click the 'Workspace' button. Browse to 'Tutorial -> Debug -> RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK.x' and click OK.



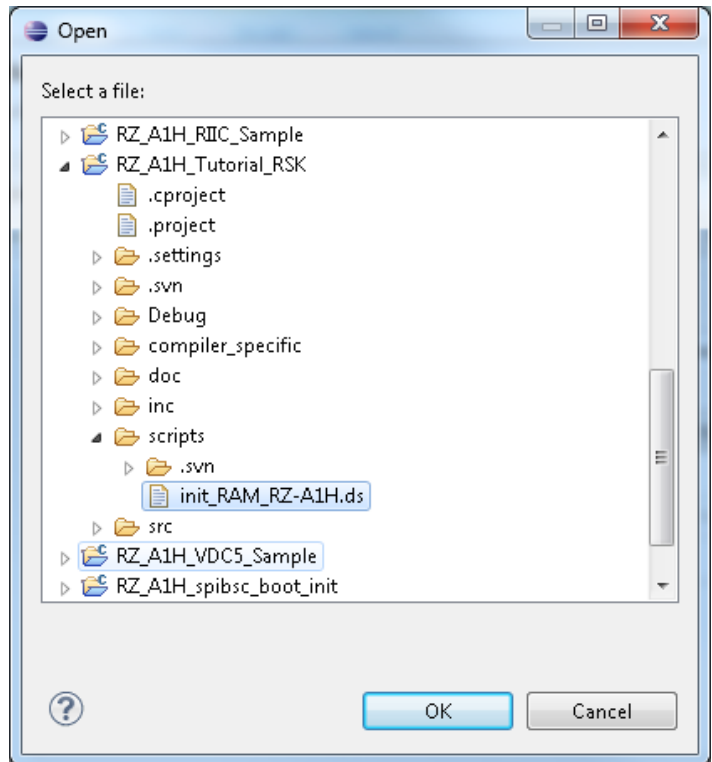
- Click 'Apply' to save the changes, then select the 'Debugger' tab.



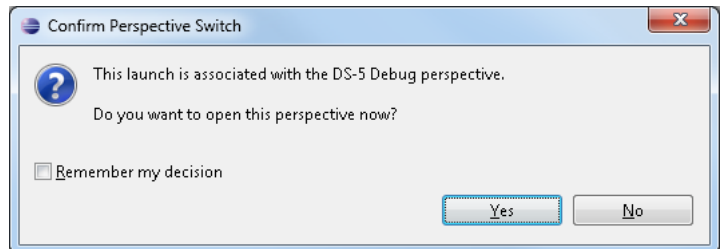
- In the 'Debugger' tab, under 'Run control', ensure that 'Debug from symbol main' is selected. Select the 'Run target initialization debugger script (.ds / py)' tick box and click 'Workspace'.



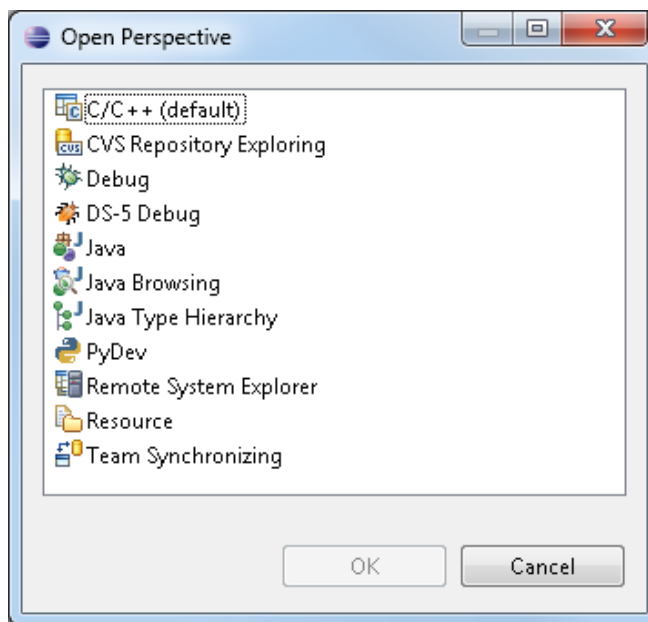
- In the 'Open' dialog, browse to 'Tutorial -> Scripts ->init\_RAM\_RZ-A1H.ds' and click OK. In the 'Debugger' tab, click 'Apply' to save the changes.
- Connect the SEGGER JLink-Lite debugger to a spare USB port on the PC and connect the ribbon cable to CN14 on the RSK+RZA1H.
- Ensure the PWR\_SEL jumper is set to match the power supply. See the RSK+RZA1H User's manual to locate the PWR\_SEL jumper.**
- Connect a PSU to the RSK+RZA1H PWR connector and apply power.
- Click 'Debug' to start the new debug session.



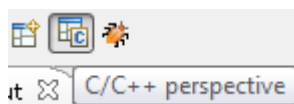
- Before downloading the code a dialog box will appear asking if you would like to switch to the 'DS-5 Debug perspective'. If you agree click 'Remember my decision' to prevent this dialog box from appearing in future, then click 'Yes'.
- A dialog may appear indicating that the J-Link firmware needs to be updated. Click 'Yes' to update the J-Link firmware.
- DS-5 will load the new perspective, which is optimised for debugging.
- To change back to the default 'C/C++' perspective, from the menu bar select Window > Open Perspective > Other



- The 'Open Perspective' dialog box will appear. Click on the desired perspective to select it then 'OK'.



- Alternatively, click on the button within the top right corner of the screen, as shown opposite, and select the 'C/C++' perspective.



### 3.6 Running the Tutorial


- Once the code has been downloaded the program counter will stop on the first instruction in the main function.
- Click the 'Continue' button in the 'Debug' perspective to run the rest of the code
- It is recommended that you run the entire tutorial demo first, before continuing to debug it.

## 3.7 Running the code from the QSPI Flash ROM

### 3.7.1 Debug Build – executing in RAM.

It is possible to run the above code from QSPI on start-up. For this to function, the boot loader should be present in the QSPI. The board is shipped with pre-installed boot loader, but if this is changed in anyway, then please re-install it using QSPI\_LOADER sample.

On start-up, the boot loader will check the presence of the Tutorial code and then execute it. If the code is not present, it will flash the LED1 continuously. The code can be loaded as follows:

- Disconnect the debug session using the  disconnect icon.

- Open the **Windows Explorer** and select the Tutorial project directory.
- Execute the file LoadTutorialToQSPI.bat.
- Select Option 1 – Debug. This will now load the Tutorial code into QSPI.

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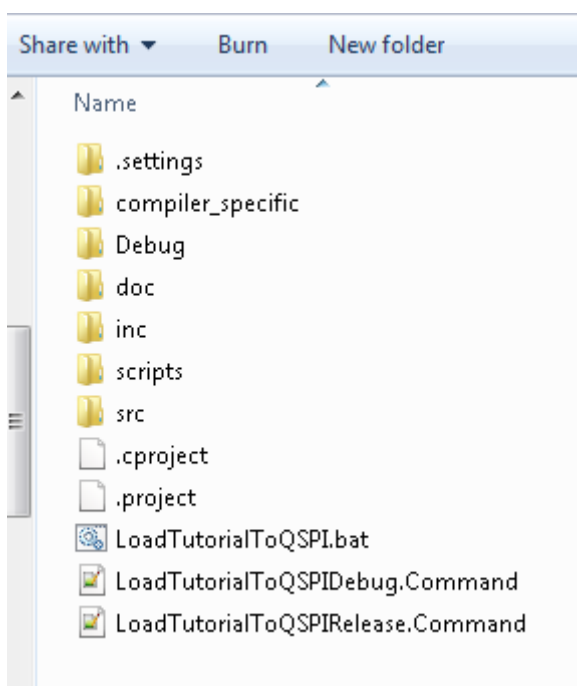
OPTIONS
1 = Debug
2 = Release
3 = Exit
Choose options <1,2 or 3>

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- Restart the board by disconnecting and reconnecting the power supply and the Tutorial code will run by itself.

**Note:**

Please refer to section 5.3 for information on generating binary files.

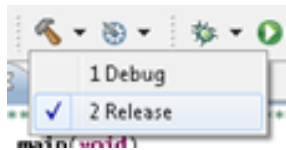


### 3.7.2 Release Build – executing from QSPI

The release build code will run directly from QSPI instead of transferring into RAM. It is possible to run the above code from QSPI on start-up. For this to function, the boot loader should be present in the QSPI. The board is shipped with pre-installed boot loader, but if this is changed in anyway, then please re-install it using QSPI\_LOADER sample.

On start-up, the boot loader will check the presence of the above code, and then transfer it into RAM and execute it. If the code is not present, it will flash the LED1 continuously. The code can be loaded as follows:

- Start the Tutorial project in DS5 as described above.
- Select the arrow next to hammer icon, and select 'Release'.
- Open the Windows Explorer and select the Tutorial project directory.
- Execute the file LoadTutorialToQSPI.bat.
- Select Option 2 – Release. This will now load the Tutorial code into QSPI.
- Restart the board and the Tutorial code will run by itself.



## 4. Reviewing the Tutorial Program

This section will look at each section of the tutorial code and basic debugging functionality in DS-5.

### 4.1 Main Functions

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

- Start a debug session for the Tutorial program as described in the previous section. The debugger should connect and the program will be stopped on the first line of the main() function as shown in the screenshot opposite.
- Click on the line containing the 'flashled()' function call in 'main()' to position the cursor. Right-click and select 'Run to Selection' to execute the program up to this line. The 'R\_LCD\_Init()' function call enables and configures the LCD, and 'Display\_LCD()' will write "RSK+RZA1H" on the top line and "Tutorial Sample" below.

```

131 int_t main(void)
132 {
133     char strdata[32] = "";
134     uint8_t *mptr = &RGB888_LOGO[0];
135
136     R_RIIC_rza1h_rsk_init();
137
138     /* Initialise SPI */
139     Init_SPI();
140
141     /* Initialise the debug LCD display */
142     R_LCD_Init();
143
144     /* Initialise direct connected LED */
145     R_LED_Init();
146
147     /* Initialise board switches (SW1,SW2,SW3) */
148     R_SWI_Open();
149
150     /* Display 'Renesas' Logo at bottom of screen */
151     Display_Image (mptr, 128, 24, 0, 104);
152     Display_On();
153
154     Display_LCD(0, (uint8_t *)" RSK+RZA1H");
155     Display_LCD(2, (uint8_t *)" Tutorial Sample");
156
157     flashled();
158
159     cleardisplayarea();
160
161     static_test();
162

```


- Set a breakpoint on the 'static\_test()' function call by double-clicking in the breakpoint column.
- Click the 'Step Source Line' button to step into the 'flashled()' function.



```

159 | flashled();
160
161     cleardisplayarea();
162
163     static_test();


```

- Click the 'Continue'  button to resume program execution.
- The program will now run the `flashled()` function. This function periodically polls the user switches and flashes the LEDs 200 times or until a user switch has been pressed.

```

73 void flashled(void)
74 {
75     char strdata[256];
76     uint16_t loopcount = 200;
77     uint32_t delay;
78
79     Display_LCD(5, (uint8_t *)" LED Flashing");
80     Display_LCD(6, (uint8_t *)" Press SW1,SW2,SW3");
81     Display_LCD(7, (uint8_t *)" or wait 200 flashes");
82     Display_LCD(8, (uint8_t *)" to continue demo");
83
84     R_LED_Off(LED_ALL);
85     while(loopcount)
86     {
87         sprintf(strdata, " Countdown %d ",--loopcount);
88
89         /* Display the application name on the PMOD LCD */
90         Display_LCD(10, (uint8_t *)strdata);
91
92         delay = 100000000u;
93         while (--delay)
94         {
95             __asm__("nop");
96         }
97
98         /* Toggles the LEDs after a specific delay. */
99         R_LED_Toggle(LED_ALL);
100
101
102         if(g_switch_press_flg)
103         {
104             g_switch_press_flg = 0;
105             break;
106         }
107     }
108     R_LED_Off(LED_ALL);
109 }

```


- The program counter should come to a halt at the `static_test()` function.
- Step into the function by clicking the 'Step Source Line' button. Alternatively,  press [F5].

```

157     flashled();
158
159     cleardisplayarea();
160
161     static_test();
162
163
164
165
166
167

```



- Press [F7] or 'Step Out'  to execute the static\_test() function.
- Observe the string on the bottom line of the LCD change one character at a time from 'STATIC' to 'TESTTEST' as the 'static\_test' function is executed.
- After all characters have been changed, the LCD bottom line will return to displaying 'STATIC'.

```

198 * Function Name: static_test
199 * Description : Static variable test routine. The function replaces the
200 *               contents of the string ucStr with that of ucReplace, one
201 *               element at a time. Right-click the variable c_str, and
202 *               select instant watch - click add in the subsequent dialog.
203 *               If you step through the function, you can watch the string
204 *               elements being overwritten with the new data.
205 * Arguments : none
206 * Return value : none
207 *****/
208 static void static_test (void)
209 {
210     char strdata[32] = "";
211
212     /* Declare loop count variable */
213     uint8_t ui_count = 0;
214
215     /* Declare string variable to hold the string to be copied */
216     char c_str[] = "STATIC \0";
217
218     /* Declare variable buffer to store the copied string */
219     const char c_replace[] = "TESTTEST\0";
220
221     Display_LCD(4, (uint8_t *) " Static Test");
222     Display_LCD(5, (uint8_t *) " Initialise c_str");
223     Display_LCD(6, (uint8_t *) " Replace contents ");
224     Display_LCD(7, (uint8_t *) " of c_str with ");
225     Display_LCD(8, (uint8_t *) " that of ucReplace");
226     Display_LCD(9, (uint8_t *) " ucStr = 'STATIC '");
227     Display_LCD(10, (uint8_t *) " ucReplace='TESTTEST'");
228
229     /* Write ucStr variable, "STATIC" to LCD */
230     sprintf(strdata, " c_str = '%s' ", c_str);
231     Display_LCD(12, (uint8_t *) strdata);
232
233     /* Delay */
234     delay();
235
236     /* Begin for loop which writes one letter of ucReplace to the LCD at a time
237     The nested while loops generate the delay between each letter change */
238     for (ui_count = 0; ui_count < 8; ui_count++)
239     {
240         /* Replace letter number uiCount of ucStr from ucReplace */
241         c_str[ui_count] = c_replace[ui_count];
242
243         /* Display the character on the debug LCD */
244         sprintf(strdata, " c_str = '%s' ", c_str);
245         Display_LCD(12, (uint8_t *) strdata);
246
247         /* Delay */
248         delay();
249     }
250
251     /* Set C_str back to default */
252     sprintf(c_str, "STATIC ");
253     sprintf(strdata, " c_str = '%s' ", c_str);
254     Display_LCD(12, (uint8_t *) strdata);
255
256     /* Clear LCD Display */
257     c_str[ui_count] = '\0';
258 }

```

- The debugger will stop the program at the cleardisplayarea() function. Press F6 or click 'Step Over' to execute this function and clear the display.
- The next portion of code sets up a timer to flash LEDs at a variable rate in an interrupt handler. The timer is set up by calls to R\_OSTM\_Init() and R\_OSTM\_Open().
- The timer variable rate is controlled by reading the ADC in a while loop and setting the timer expiration value accordingly.

```

168 cleardisplayarea();
169
170 Display_LCD(4, (uint8_t *) " Use RV1 to set delay");
171 Display_LCD(5, (uint8_t *) " using timer OSTM ");
172 Display_LCD(6, (uint8_t *) " when flashing LEDs");
173
174 /* Initialize OS timer (channel 0) */
175 R_OSTM_Init(DEVDRV_CH_0, OSTM_MODE_INTERVAL, 500);
176
177 /* Start OS timer (channel 0) */
178 R_OSTM_Open(DEVDRV_CH_0);
179
180 /* Initialise Analogue input (Potentiometer) on board */
181 R_ADC_Open();
182
183 while(1)
184 {
185     R_ADC_Read();
186
187     sprintf(strdata, " Flash Delay %d ms ", g_adc_result);
188     Display_LCD(8, (uint8_t *) strdata);
189
190     sprintf(strdata, " RV1 position %d %% ", (int16_t)((g_adc_result/1023.0)*100.0));
191     Display_LCD(10, (uint8_t *) strdata);
192
193     OSTM0.OSTMnChp = P0_CLOCK_FREQUENCY_kHz * (g_adc_result + 1);
194
195 }
196 return 0;
197 }

```

- Scroll to the bottom of main.c to the Sample\_OSTM0\_Interrupt() function.
- Set a breakpoint on the first line of code inside the Sample\_OSTM0\_Interrupt() interrupt handler.
- Continue to execute the program by clicking the 'Continue' button.
- The program will halt at the breakpoint due to the timer's period elapsing.
- Remove the breakpoint by double-clicking on the breakpoint column. Continue to execute the program by clicking the 'Continue' button.

```
273 void Sample_OSTM0_Interrupt(uint32_t int_sense)
274 {
275     main_led_flg ^= 1;
276
277     R_INTC_Disable(INTC_ID_OSTM0TINT);
278
279     if (MAIN_LED_ON == main_led_flg)
280     {
281         R_LED_On(0);
282     }
283     else
284     {
285         R_LED_Off(0);
286     }
287
288     R_INTC_Enable(INTC_ID_OSTM0TINT);
289 }
290
291
292 /* End of File */
```

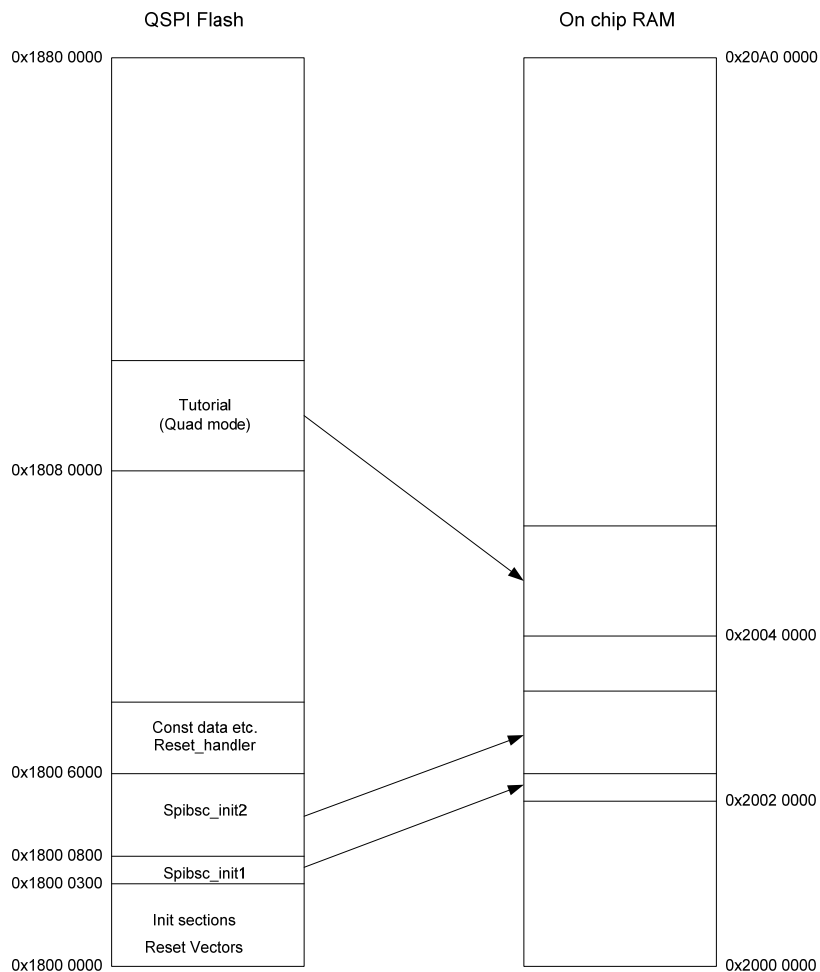
For further details regarding hardware configuration, please refer to the RSK+RZA1H User's Manual and the RZA1H Group Hardware Manual.

## 5. QSPI Boot Loader

### 5.1 Loading Process

When the configuration switch SW6 is set to OFF, ON, OFF, ON, ON, ON, the RZ/A1H processor configures the QSPI bus controller in external address space read mode to boot and execute from location 0x1800000 (QSPI channel 0 bus area). It sets the QSPI in single device, one bit mode at the lowest speed. The boot loader is only located in the first device (IC26) connected to QSPI channel 0's Port 0. The following actions takes place:

- The boot loader will transfer a small section (section 1: Spibsc\_init1) of the code into RAM and execute it. This code will speed up the QSPI access before returning back to boot loader code, as the speed cannot be altered whilst the code is running from QSPI.
- The boot loader then transfers the next section (section 2: Spibsc\_init2) of the code into RAM and executes it. This code will change the QSPI mode of operation to dual QSPI in quad mode, enabling data transfer of 8 bits at a time. It then checks if a user application is present in the QSPI starting from location 0x18080000. The check is performed by reading a signature at offset 0x2C.
- Offset 0x20 contains the start address of the code, offset 0x24 contains the end address, and 0x28 contains the execution start address.
- It uses the above information to determine if the code has to be transferred into RAM (if the start address is in RAM), or execute in QSPI.
- It transfers the code if necessary and then jumps to the execution start address.



Transfer of QSPI device data to the RZ/A1H On-chip RAM

The QSPI Flash device is shown mapped to the RZ/A1H's QSPI bus area.

## 5.2 Boot Loader Sections

The boot loader code is arranged in four sections, separate from the user application code (Tutorial). The memory map from the previous page is explained below:

Section 1: 0x18000000 to 0x180002FF

This section contains the reset vectors and initialisation code.

Section 2: 0x18000300 to 0x180007FF

This section contains code to speed up the QSPI and set I/O ports (`rza_io_regrw.c`). This code is executed in RAM as it cannot change the QSPI access speed when executing from it.

Section 3: 0x18000800 to 0x18005FFF

This section contains code to set QSPI into quad bit mode, using both the devices. This code is executed in RAM as it cannot configure the QSPI when running executing from it. It then checks if there is an application in the start location (0x18080000). If there is, it checks if this application should be executed from QSPI or from RAM. For QSPI, it jumps to the start location; if not, it copies the code into RAM at location 0x20040000 and then jumps to it. Note: This section uses I/O functions from section 2, so they must not overlap.

Section 4: 0x18006000

This section contains the `reset_handler` and constant data. The reset vector in section 1 calls the `reset_handler`.

Note:

The boot loader can be installed by first building the Release configuration of the RZ\_A1H\_QSPI\_LOADER sample project, and then executing the `Program_QSPI_Loader.bat` file located in the project directory. The board is shipped with the boot loader pre-installed.

### 5.3 Generating a Binary File

Programming a user application requires the program file to be in binary format (.bin). By default the Debug build is configured to generate ELF files with extensions .x and .mot while the Release build is configured to generate an ELF file with extension .x and a binary file with extension .bin.

To generate a Debug build .bin file instead of a .mot file follow these steps:

1. In DS-5, click on the desired project under the 'Project Explorer' view.
2. From the menu bar select 'File > Properties'.
3. In the Properties dialog select 'C/C++ Build > Settings'
4. Change the 'Configuration' to debug, if it is not already selected.
5. Select the 'Build Steps' tab.
6. Change the 'Post-build steps' to:  
arm-rz-eabi-objcopy -O binary \${ProjName}.x RZ\_A1H\_PTC\_FIRST.bin&
7. Click 'Apply'.
8. Click 'OK'.
9. Rebuild the Debug configuration to generate the binary file.

### 5.4 Programming a User Application Program

Build the desired configuration of your application code or one of the provided sample code using the correct QSPI load file (provided in the RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK sample code). Copy the following files from the RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK folder to the root folder of your application:

LoadTutorialToQSPI.bat  
LoadTutorialToQSPIDebug.Command  
LoadTutorialToQSPIRelease.Command

Make the following changes, taking care not to add or remove spaces, to the line numbers in the LoadTutorialToQSPI.bat file:

- Line 4: Replace the word Tutorial with the name of your user application.  
Line 32: Replace RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK with the name of your user application.  
Line 52: Replace RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK with the name of your user application.  
Line 73: Replace RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK with the name of your user application.

Lines 41-44 and 61-64 describes the operation of the Tutorial sample code, this can be changed to match the user application's operation.

Make the following changes, taking care not to add or remove spaces, to the line numbers in the LoadTutorialToQSPIDebug.command and LoadTutorialToQSPIRelease.command files:

Line 10 and 11: Replace RZ\_A1H\_Tutorial\_RSK with the name of your user application.

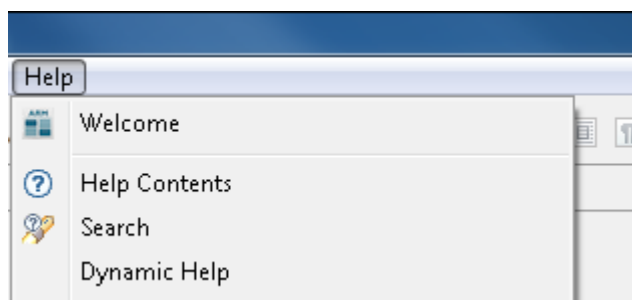
Run the LoadTutorialToQSPI.bat batch file.

The 'exec SetSkipProgOnCRCMatch=0' instruction in the command files checks if the boot loader program to be loaded matches the existing boot loader code in the QSPI device. The 'loadbin' instruction will skip programming if they match. A power cycle to the RSK+RZA1H may be required following a successful loading of the user application.

## 6. Additional Information

### Technical Support

For details on how to use DS-5, refer to the help file by opening DS-5, then selecting Help > Help Contents from the menu bar.



For information about the RZA1H series microcontrollers refer to the RZA1H Group Hardware Manual.

### Technical Contact Details

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