Integrated Development Environment e² studio

How to use EGit in e² studio

Introduction

EGit is an Eclipse Team provider for the Git version control system. Git is a distributed Source Control Management (SCM), which means every developer has a full copy of all history of every revision of the code, making queries against the history very fast and versatile.

This application note guides user to use EGit in Renesas e² studio environment.

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1. Overview

1.1 Purpose
This document guides users to use EGit for source code version control in e² studio.

1.2 Operating Environment
Renesas have confirmed the operation procedure explained in this document in the following environment.

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1.3 EGit references
Further information about EGit can be referred in [http://www.eclipse.org/egit/documentation/](http://www.eclipse.org/egit/documentation/)
EGit can be downloaded from following link:

- [http://download.eclipse.org/egit/updates](http://download.eclipse.org/egit/updates) (main update site)
2. Setup

This section shows how to install EGit to e² studio.

To integrate EGit into e² studio environment, please specify the following option at the installer when installing e² studio.

![Figure 1: Extra Features page](image)

2.1 Installing EGit

EGit have already installed into e² studio as the above step. If you will update EGit in e² studio, please follow below steps:

1) Invoke e² studio and select [Help] > [Install New Software…]

2) In the [Install - Available Software] dialog, type download link into [Work with:] textbox (e.g. "http://download.eclipse.org/egit/updates"), then click [Add...] button.

3) In the [Add Repository] dialog, type "EGit updates" (or any other meaningful name) into [Name:] textbox, then click [Add] button.

![Figure 2: Add Repository dialog](image)

4) List of available software will be shown, expand "Git integration for Eclipse" and select "Git integration for Eclipse". Then click [Next >] button, and click [Next >] button again in [Install] dialog.
5) Select "I accept the terms of license agreement" in [Install - Review Licenses] dialog. Click [Finish] button. Then wait for EGit to be installed.

6) Once installation is completed, the following message is shown as a confirmation to restart e² studio. Click [Restart Now] button.

7) Then user can open EGit perspective by clicking [Window] > [Perspective] > [Open Perspective] > [Others...], then select "Git".

### 2.2 Specifying user identification

Whenever the history of the repository is changed (technically, whenever a commit is created), Git keeps track of the user who created that commit. The identification consists of a name (typically a person's name) and an e-mail address. This information is stored in file "<user-home-folder>\gitconfig" under dedicated keys.

User can edit this information using the Git configuration by following these steps:

1) Click [Window] > [Preferences]
2) In the [Preferences] dialog, expand [Version Control (Team)] > [Git], select [Configuration].
3) Select [User Settings] tab and click [Add Entry...] button.
4) In the [Add a configuration entry] dialog, input following information:
   - [Key: ] "user.name"
   - [Value: ] input user's name
   Then click [Add] button.
5) Click [Add Entry...] again to add email address:
   - [Key: ] "user.email"
   - [Value: ] input user’s email address
   Then click [Add] button.
6) Click [Apply and Close] button to store these information to .gitconfig file.
3. Create repository

This section shows how to create a new Git repository from a Client machine.

![Diagram of network architecture for EGit repository]

**Figure 6** Network architecture for EGit repository

### 3.1 Create a "master" repository

To use the repository as a “master” repository, it should be put on a network folder which is accessible from other “client” machine, or user can use other online services such as GitHub, Amazon CodeCommit… etc. Below instructions are applied for repository put in a local network folder.

1) From a "client" machine which has e² studio and EGit installed, launch e² studio, then click [Window] > [Perspective] > [Open Perspective] > [Others…], then select "Git".

2) In the [Git Repositories] view, click [Create a new Git repository and add it to this view] button.

![Create a new Git repository and add it to this view]

**Figure 7** [Create a new Git repository and add it to this view] button

3) In the [Create a Git Repository] dialog, browse to the network folder that you would like to create the repository, for example "\192.168.0.38\Shared\EGitRepo", then click [Create] button. If you would like not to code in this repository (just use it for version control, not to put the source code itself), click “Create as bare repository”.

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4) User might be asked for login credential to access the folder. Input username and password, check [Remember my credentials] checkbox then click [OK] button.

3.2 Cloning a repository
This section shows how to clone an existing repository and add a new project into version control.

1) Switch to "Git" perspective, click [Clone a Git Repository and add the clone to this view] button in the [Git Repositories] view.

2) In the [Clone Git Repository - Source Git Repository] dialog, input the location of the "master" repository created in section 3.1. Then click [Next >] button.
3) In the [Clone Git Repository - Branch Selection] dialog, if the repository is newly created, there will be no branches, just click [Next >] button. Otherwise, you can select the branch before clicking [Next >] button.

4) In the [Clone Git Repository - Local Destination] dialog, select the folder in "client" machine to put the cloned repository, for example "C:\workspace\EGitClone\clone1". Then click [Finish] button.
Figure 13 [Clone Git Repository - Local Destination] dialog
4. Version control of a project

This section shows how to control the version of a project with EGit.

You can specify a file which you will control the version of with [Ignored Resources] page in [Preferences] dialog. The recommended setting is to manage the source files, header files, and .xxxxx (.project and .cproject) as version control files.

![Figure 14 [Ignored Resources] page](image)

4.1 Adding a project to Git repository

1) Switch to "C/C++" perspective, click [File] > [New] > [C/C++ project].
2) In the [New C/C++ Project - Templates for New C/C++ Project] dialog, choose "Renesas RX" in the left-hand margin and "GCC for Renesas RX C/C++ Executable Project" and click [Next >] button.

![Figure 15 [New C/C++ Project - Templates for New C/C++ Project] dialog](image)

3) In [Project name:] enter the name "SampleEGit" and click [Next >] button.
4) In the [Select toolchain, device & debug settings] page, enter the following information (other values can remain at default):
   - [Toolchain:] "GCC for Renesas RX"
5) Click [Finish] button. The project is created and is accessible in the [Project Explorer] view.
6) Build the project to make sure that there are no build issues.
7) Clean the project, to remove auto generated files, before committing to version control.
8) Right-click on the project and select [Team] → [Share project...]
9) In the [Share Project - Configure Git Repository] dialog, select the new project "SampleEGit", then select the new cloned repository in [Repository] drop-down-list. Click [Finish] button.
10) Switch to "Git" perspective. In the [Git Repositories] view, click on the repository that you have selected in step 9). In the [Git staging] view, click [Refresh] button, the new files in the project will be listed in [Unstaged Changes] listbox. Note: You can press [Link with Editor and Selection] button to update the unstaged changes automatically.

11) Click [Add all files including not selected ones to the index] button, input messages into the [Commit Message] textbox (to comment for commit details), then click [Commit and Push] (if you would like to commit to local and remote repository) or [Commit] (if you would like to commit to local repository).

12) If it is the first time you push to remote repository, EGit will ask user to configure the remote repository and push behavior. Select the "master" repository created in section 3.1 in "Remote:", select "Rebase" in [When pulling:] drop-down-list, then click [Preview >]. Note that the "master" branch is created at this step if this is the first commit to the "master" repository.

14) Click [Close] button in the [Push Results...] dialog.

4.2 Committing a change

1) Open a file from the project (e.g. "SampleEGit.c") and modify it in "C/C++" perspective. Save the file.

2) In the [Git staging] view, click [Refresh] button, the file will be listed in [Unstaged changes] listbox.

3) Click [Add selected files to the index] button, input messages into the [Commit Message] textbox and click [Commit and Push] button.

4) Click [Close] button in the [Push Results...] dialog.
4.3 Reviewing a change

1) In the "Git" perspective, click on a file to check a change made on it, then open the [History] view. The history of the file will be shown.

![Figure 21: [History] view](image)

2) Click on [Compare Mode] button of [History] view, then double click on the file to view the last change in "C Compare Viewer".

![Figure 22: C Compare Viewer](image)

4.4 Excluding a file from version control

To exclude a file from version control, follow below steps:

1) Switch to "C/C++" perspective, right click on the file, select [Team] > [Ignore]

2) Switch to "Git" perspective, click [Refresh] button and a new file name .gitignore is created in the same folder as the file you have selected to exclude from version control. Its content is the path to ignored file.
3) Every time you perform step (1), a .gitignore file will be created in the same folder with the ignored file (if it does not exist). To use only one .gitignore file for a project, you can create only one .gitignore file in project folder, and update it with the path to ignored file whenever you would like to exclude a file from version control.

4) Commit the .gitignore file to repository as section 4.2.
5. Synchronizing works among users

The workflow on EGit is suggested as follows:

1) Create a bare repository in a common server.
2) The user who starts the project will clone the repository, add the project into version control using the clone repository, and commit (and push) the changes.
3) Other users clone the repository in step (1) for first time working with this repository, perform updates, fetch from remote repository to get new updates from other users, rebase to synchronize between local and remote tracking branches (if there are conflicts, resolve them and continue the rebase), then commit and push all the changes to repository.

![Illustration of rebasing](image)

Figure 25 Illustration of rebasing

Following section will show how to rebase from the remote repository to local repository.

5.1 Rebasing from remote repository

Rebasing is needed when the information about remote repository is out of date because other users have pushed new information to it. When you work on the local repository, before pushing something to remote repository, it's suggested to rebase first to avoid conflicts.

To produce the scenario as Figure 24, follow below steps:

1) Clone 2nd repository from the "master" repository created in section 4 as instruction in section 5.1 (cloned repository in "client machine 2" illustrated in Figure 6).

![Clone 2nd repository](image)

Figure 26 Clone 2nd repository
2) In the working directory of "clone2", open a file (e.g. "SampleEGit.c"), modify it, commit and push to remote repository. You can see the “Local” branch and “Remote tracking” branch of “clone2” is the same.

![Image of Git Repositories](image.png)

**Figure 27 Clone 2nd repository after edit SampleEGit.c**

3) In the working directory of "clone1", open "SampleEGit.c", modify it in another place, commit and push it to remote repository. You will get error message about conflict. The local and remote tracking branch of "clone1" are now different.

![Image of Git Repositories](image.png)

**Figure 28 Clone 1st repository after edit SampleEGit.c**

4) Right click on the repository "clone1", select [Fetch from origin]. The [Fetch Results...] dialog will show the information from remote repository committed by "clone2" in above steps. Click [Close] to close the [Fetch Results...] dialog.

![Image of Fetch Results dialog](image.png)

**Figure 29 [Fetch Results...] dialog**

5) Now the "Remote tracking" branch of "clone1" is updated same as "clone2". Right click on "clone1", select [Rebase]

6) In the [Rebase...] dialog, select the branch from remote repository to rebase. Click [Rebase] button.
7) The [Rebase Result] dialog will show the conflicts in file "SampleEGit.c". You can have 3 options: merge to solve the conflict, skip the commit from "clone1", abort this rebase, or just return to workbench without doing anything. Select [Start Merge Tool to resolve conflicts]. Click [Proceed] button.

8) The "C Compare Viewer" view will be opened and show the difference between "Local" vs. "Remote tracking" branch of "clone1". The right window is from "Remote tracking" and the left one is from "Local". You edit the text in left window as your expectation, then press Ctrl-S on the keyboard to save it.
9) Click [Add selected files to the index] button, and click [Continue] button.

10) Push the changes from “clone1” to remote repository by right click on “clone1”, select [Push to origin]. Click [Close] in the [Push Results...] dialog. Now the "Local" and "Remote tracking" branch of "clone1" are the unified.
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