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Utilising the Watch Dog Timer (Using GNURL78 v13.01 Toolchain)

Introduction

The purpose of this Application Note is to show the user how to add the associated RL78G13 sample code to a new or existing e²studio workspace, as well as give an explanation of what the sample code does.

The sample code provided with this Application Note runs on the RL78G13 RSK and demonstrates usage of the Watch Dog Timer (WDT). The program configures the WDT to generate an interrupt when the count value reaches 75% of its total count, approximately 760ms. A Timer Array Unit (TAU) channel is configured to periodically generate an interrupt and restart the WDT's count in order to prevent it reaching 75%. The A/D converter samples the potentiometer's (RV1) voltage and the acquired value is used to vary the TAU channel's period.

Target Device

RL78G13

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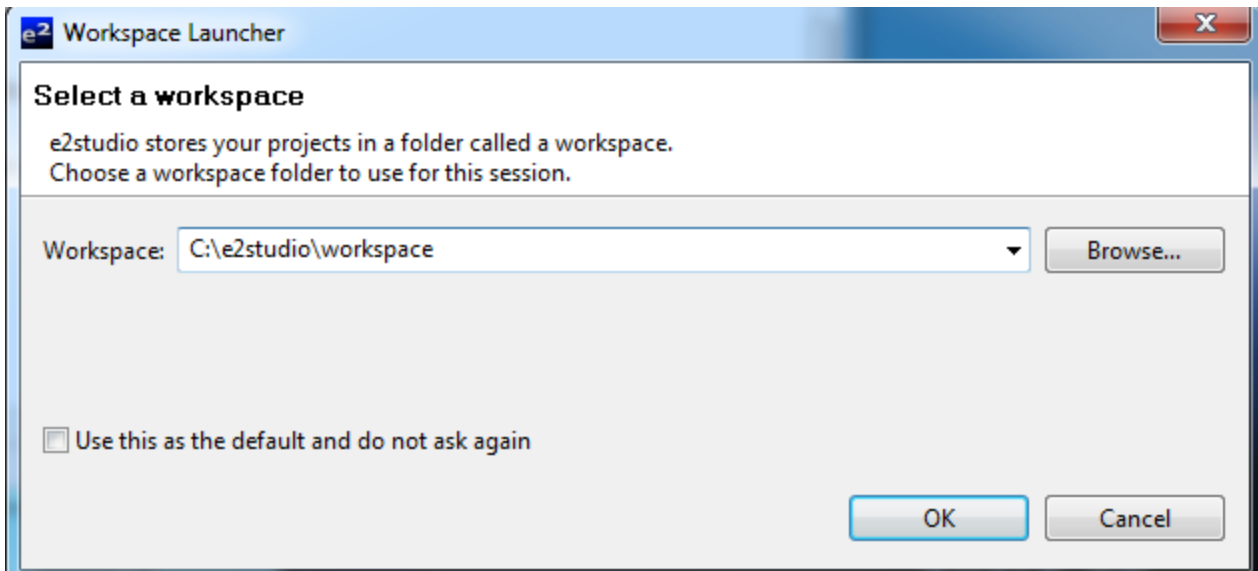
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1. Installation

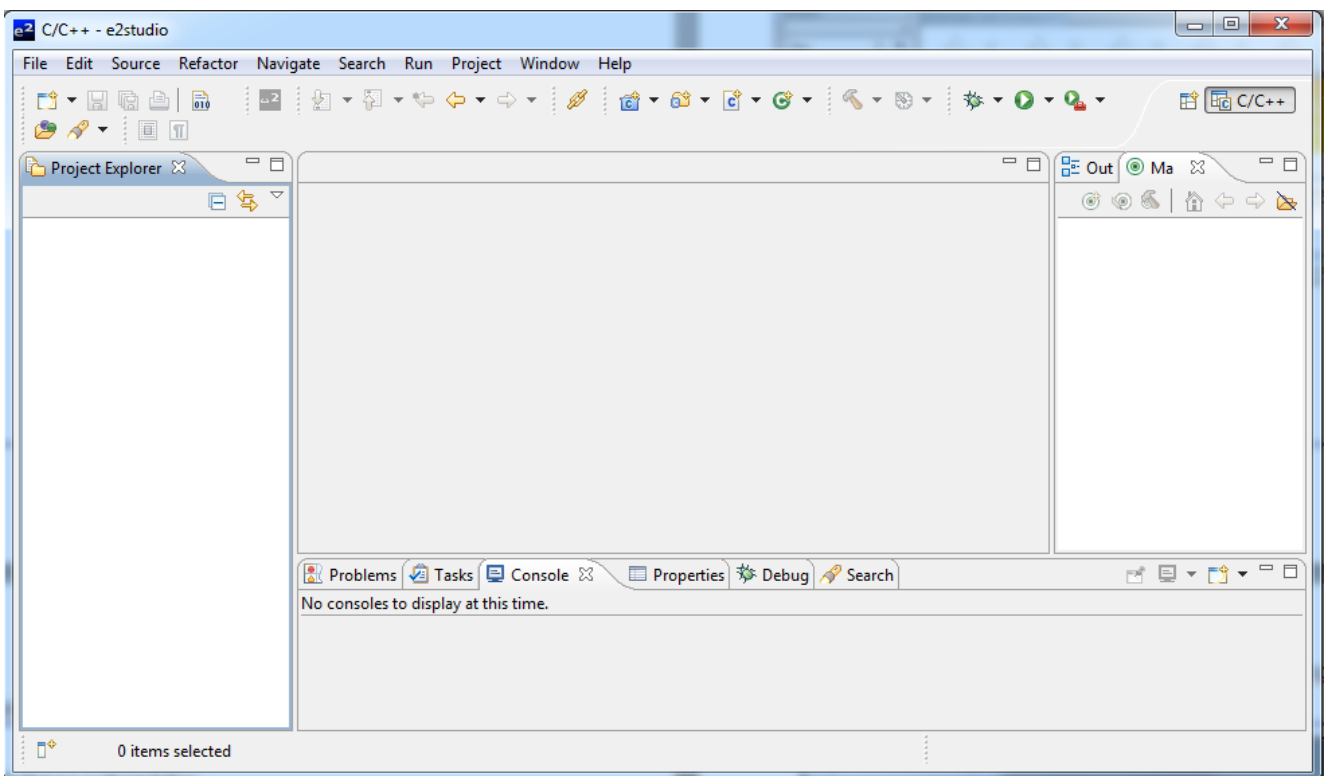
This section assumes e²studio is already installed on the user's personal computer (PC). Create a new folder and name it as 'RSKRL78G13_Workspace'. Copy the zipped file WDT.zip, available in the Application Note package downloaded from the website, to this folder. Extract the WDT.zip file to the RSKRL78G13_Workspace folder.

2. Creating the Project Workspace

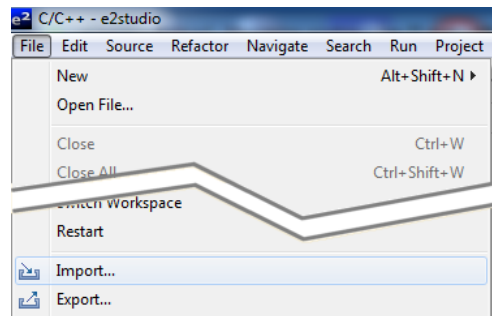
Run e²studio by clicking the Windows Start button, select All Programs > Renesas Electronics e2studio > Renesas e2studio. Choose a workspace folder.



This will automatically open e²studio IDE with an empty workspace.



To add the sample code select from the menu bar File > Import as shown:



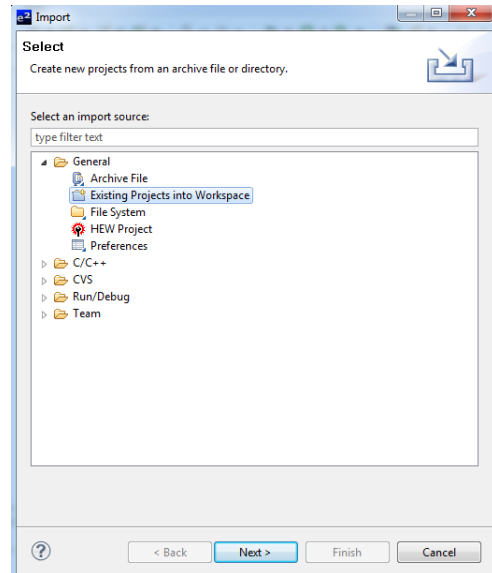
Choose 'Existing Projects into Workspace' as shown:

Click Next >, a new window will appear. Navigate to the RSKRL78G13_Workspace folder and select the IIC_Master folder.

Make sure that 'Copy projects into workspace' is checked.

Single-click the project file to select it.

Click < Finish > to add the project to the workspace.



3. Opening Sample Code and Source Files

Once the project has been added, the source code and all dependant files can be opened in the editor by expanding the folders in the Project Explorer window and double clicking the files in the folders. Each source file listed in Workspace window in e²studio can be expanded to reveal its dependant files ; as well as the output files.

In the Project Explorer sidebar, right-click on the project's name and select Build Configurations > Set Active > HardwareDebug. This ensures that the best debug experience will be made available when trying this sample.

4. Source Code

The source code project is specifically written to run on the appropriate RSK. However this source code can be useful as an example even without the RSK.

The project was written using source files containing API functions generated using Applilet. The project will contain a C source file 'r_main.c'. This source file will include the C function main(). All source files and dependant files whose filenames are prefixed with 'r_' were generated using Applilet.

5. Code Execution

1. Turn the potentiometer fully counter-clockwise.
2. Compile the sample code, and download to the RSK. From the debug perspective, click the 'Resume' button to start the program execution.
3. Slowly turn the potentiometer clockwise and observe the LEDs' flash rate simultaneously decrease. The clockwise potentiometer variation increases the TAU channel's period up to the point where it exceeds 75% of WDT's period, causing the WDT to generate an interrupt. The WDT interrupt handler continuously restarts the WDT count preventing it from overflowing and generating an internal reset signal. Program execution does not return to the main function and all LEDs will be turned off.

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- Access to reserved addresses is prohibited.
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4. Clock Signals

- After applying a reset, only release the reset line after the operating clock signal has become stable. When switching the clock signal during program execution, wait until the target clock signal has stabilized.
 - When the clock signal is generated with an external resonator (or from an external oscillator) during a reset, ensure that the reset line is only released after full stabilization of the clock signal. Moreover, when switching to a clock signal produced with an external resonator (or by an external oscillator) while program execution is in progress, wait until the target clock signal is stable.

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