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**Eclipse Development Tutorial under APM32
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1 Introduction

This application note provides users with application guidance for using Eclipse to develop APM32 series MCU under Windows system.

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2 Development environment

- Development board: APM32F103ZEMINI development board
- Debugger: J-Link V9/V10 or Geehy-Link
- Operating system: WIN10 64 bit OS
- IDE: Eclipse IDE for Embedded C/C++ Developers Version: 2022-03 (4.23.0)
- Cross compilation chain: gcc-arm-none-eabi-10.3-2021.10-win32.exe
- Compilation tool: xpack windows build tools 4.3.0-1
- GDB server: Pyocd CMSIS-DAP / J-Link GDB Server CL V7.62c

3 Project development process

3.1 Process of building a new project

Open the Eclipse. Under "File>New", select to create a new C/C++ Project and select C Managed Build.

Figure 1 New Project C/C++Project

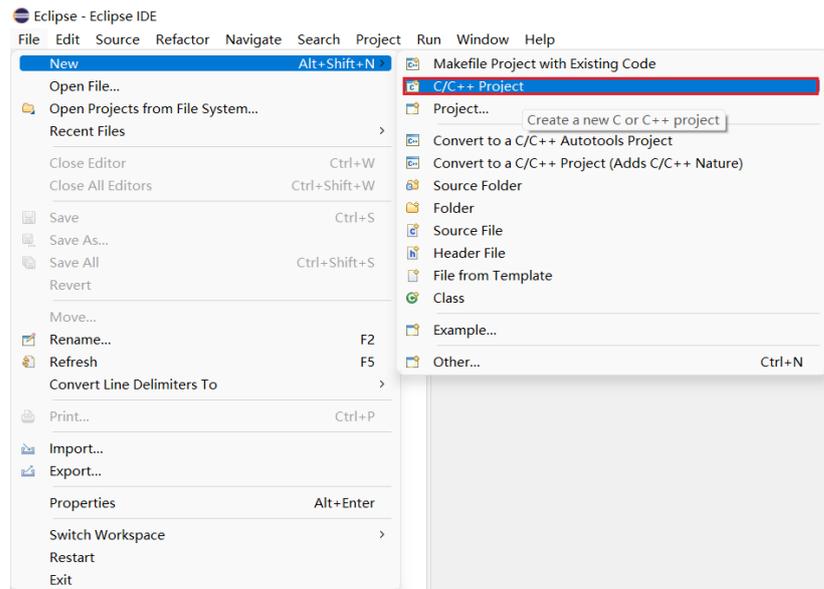
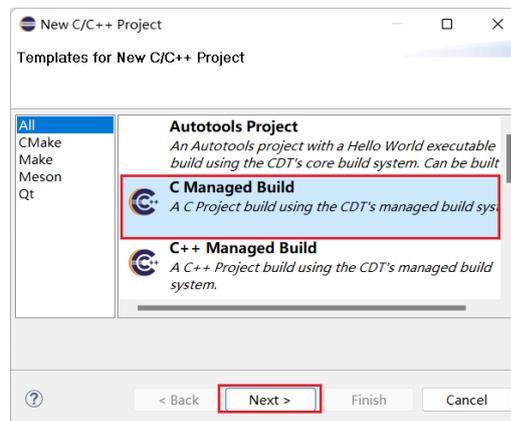
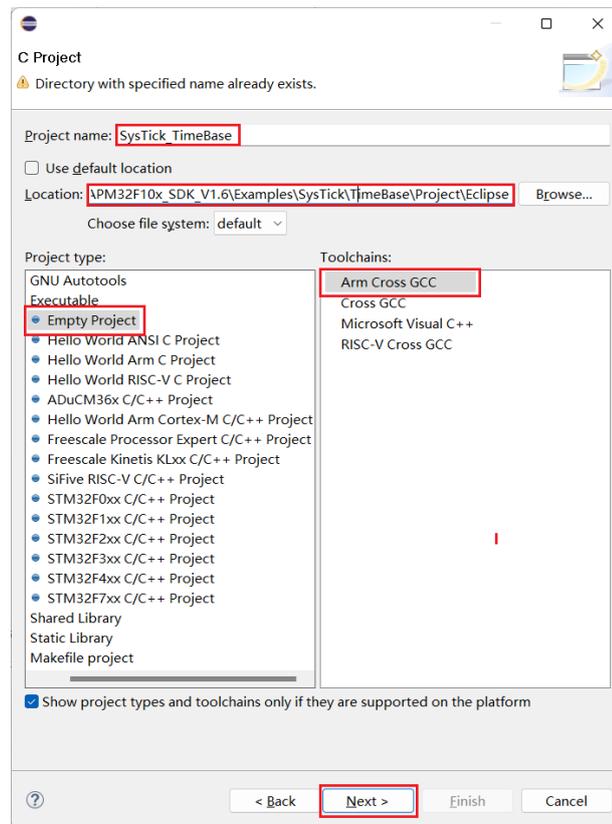


Figure 2 C Managed Build



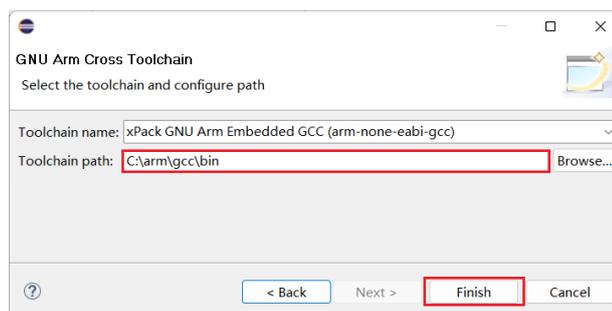
Enter the project name and configure the project type. It is recommended to place the project under the Project directory. Configure the compilation chain and select Arm Cross GCC as the compilation chain.

Figure 3 Configure a Project



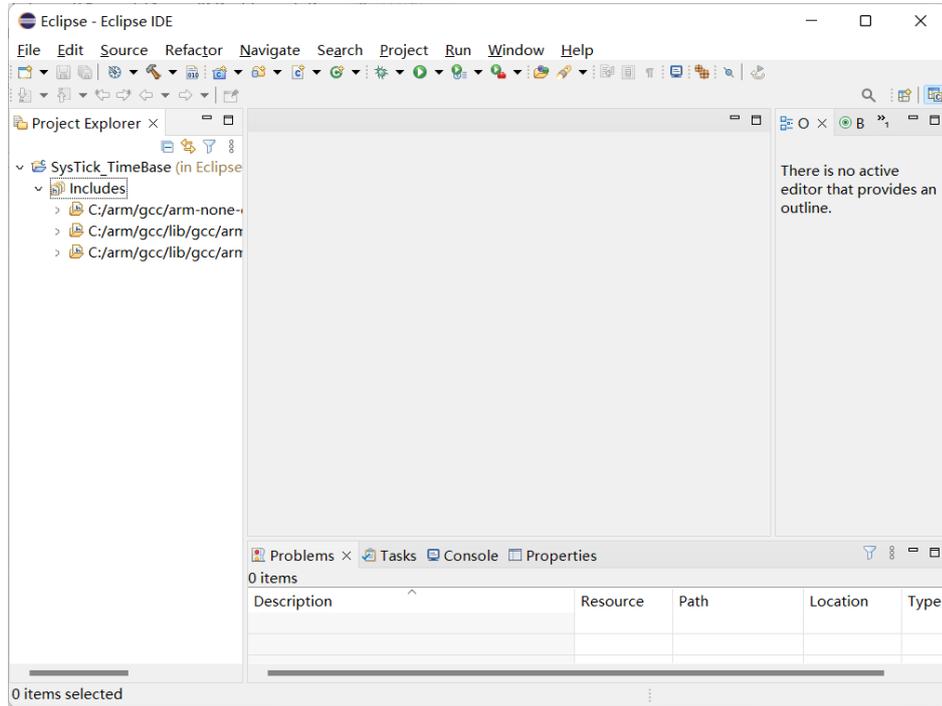
If Arm Toolchains of the Eclipse IDE has been correctly configured, the path will be automatically selected here. If it has not been configured correctly, click Browse to select the corresponding absolute path.

Figure 4 Set Arm Toolchains Path



Click "Finish" until the displayed interface is the view as shown in Figure 5. Then the establishment of the Project is completed.

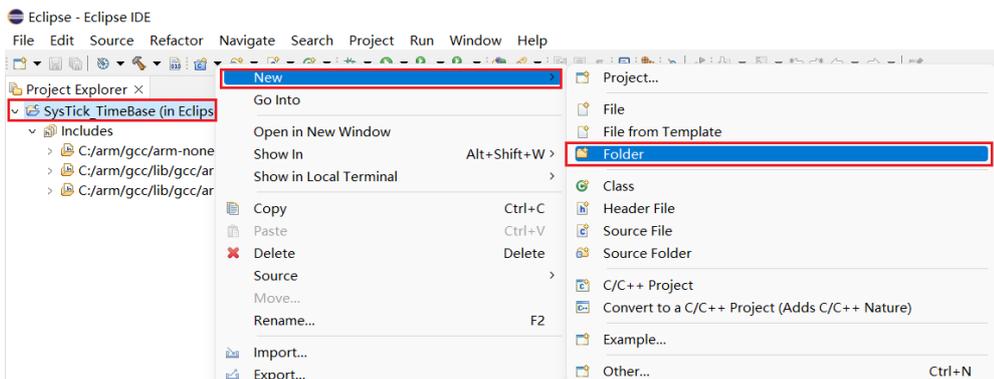
Figure 5 Complete Project Establishment



3.2 Project folder and adding a file

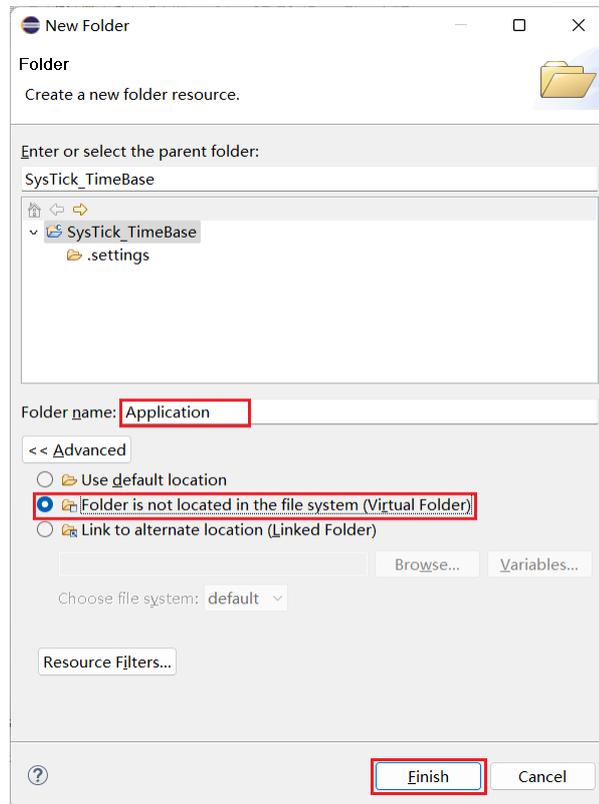
3.2.1 Manual mode

Figure 6 Add a Folder



Right-click the project folder to create the virtual folder Application.

Figure 7 Create a Virtual Folder Application



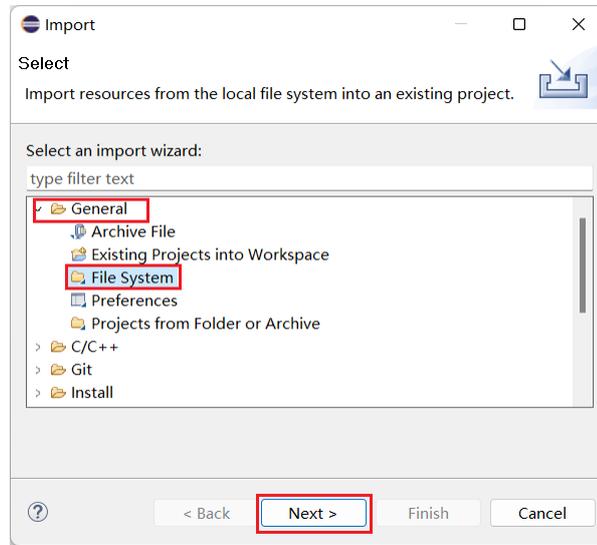
Similarly, create CMSIS, Board, and StdPeriphDriver folders under this project directory.

Figure 8 Create CMSIS, Board, and StdPeriphDriver Folders



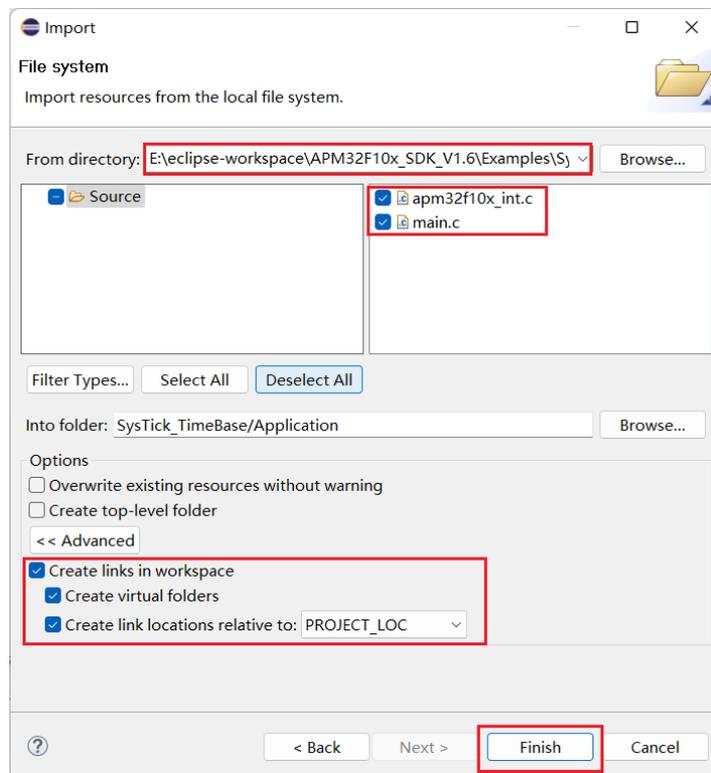
Select the Application folder, right-click to select the Import option and directly import the file.

Figure 9 Import a File



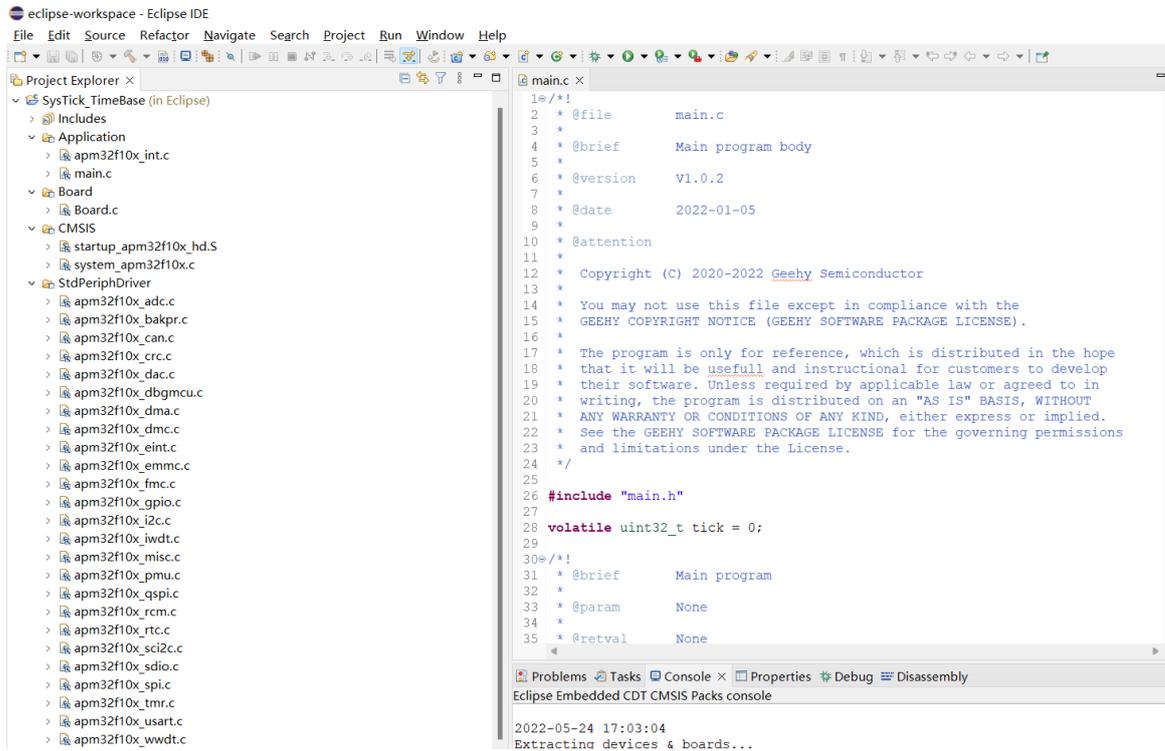
When importing a file, select "File System" as the import mode. In the pop-up file path selection dialog box, select the file path to be imported, and check the file to be imported.

Figure 10 Check the File to be Imported



Similarly, import the required files of CMSIS, Board, and StdPeriphDriver folders.

Figure 11 Import All Files



3.2.2 "Refresh" method

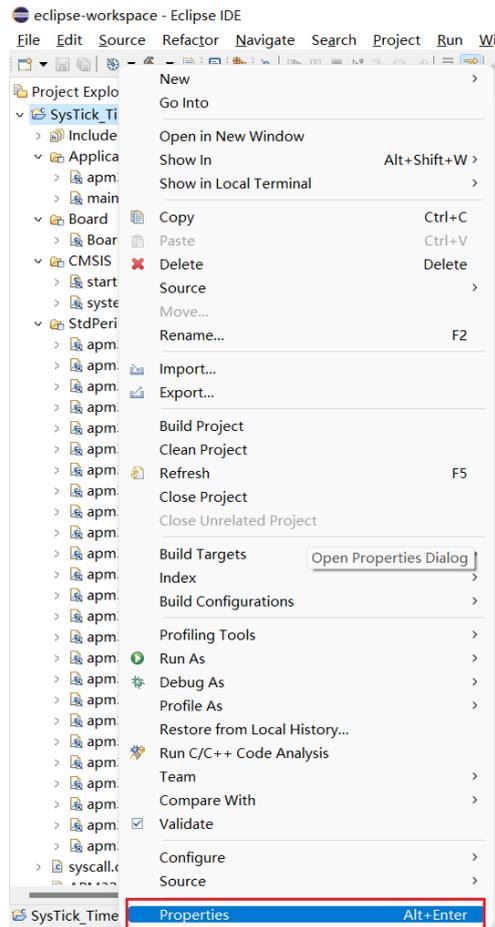
In addition to manually importing the folders mentioned above, files and folders can be directly placed in the same-level directory as the .cproject. In the Eclipse IDE, right-click the project name and select "refresh" to import the folders and files into the project.

Note: Since the files and folders created by "refresh" are stored in the disk, if a file is deleted from the Eclipse IDE, the corresponding file in the disk will also be deleted.

3.3 Project configuration process

Right-click the project and select Properties in the pop-up option box.

Figure 12 Open Properties Option

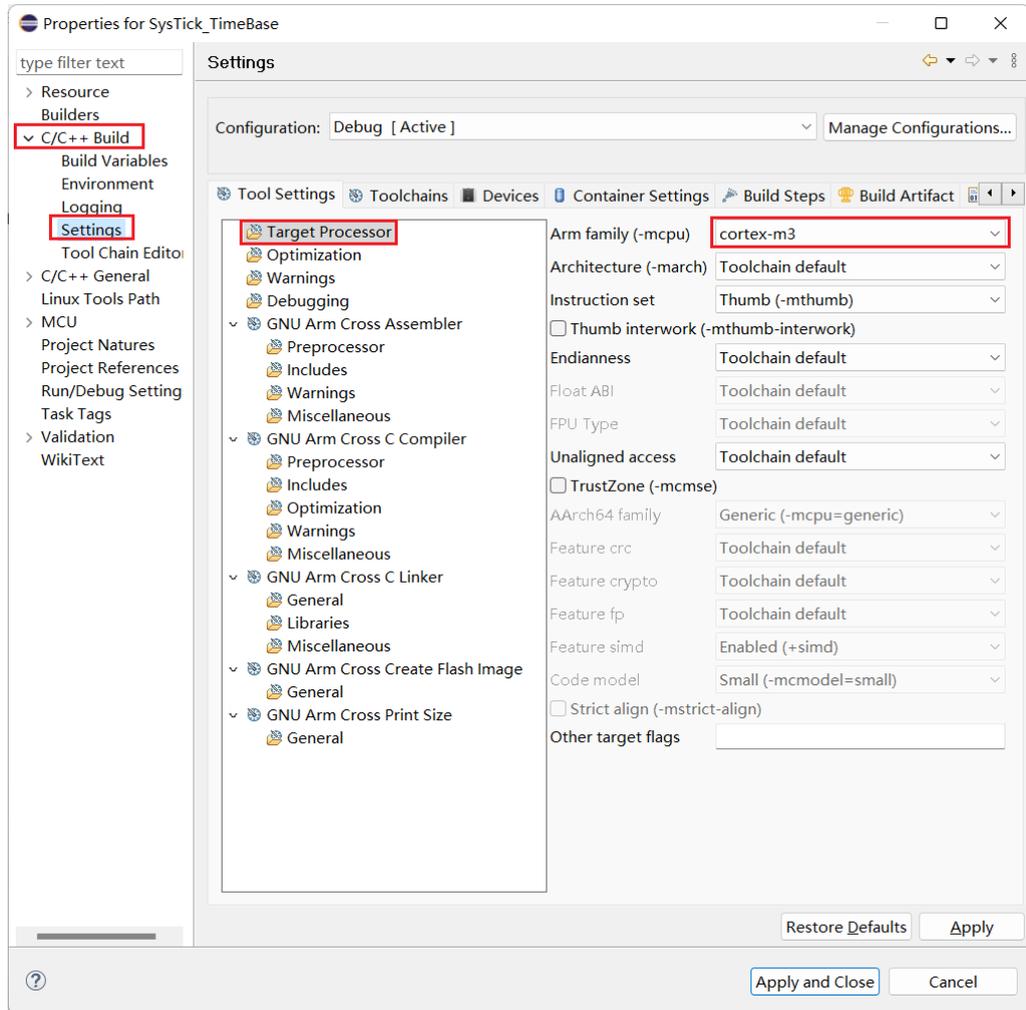


3.3.1 Configure Target Processor tab

The configuration for "C/C++ Build->Settings->Tool Settings->Target Processor" is as follows:

Select the corresponding core according to the target chip, such as cortex-m3, cortex-m4, cortex-m23 or cortex-m33. The chip core used in this example is cortex-m3.

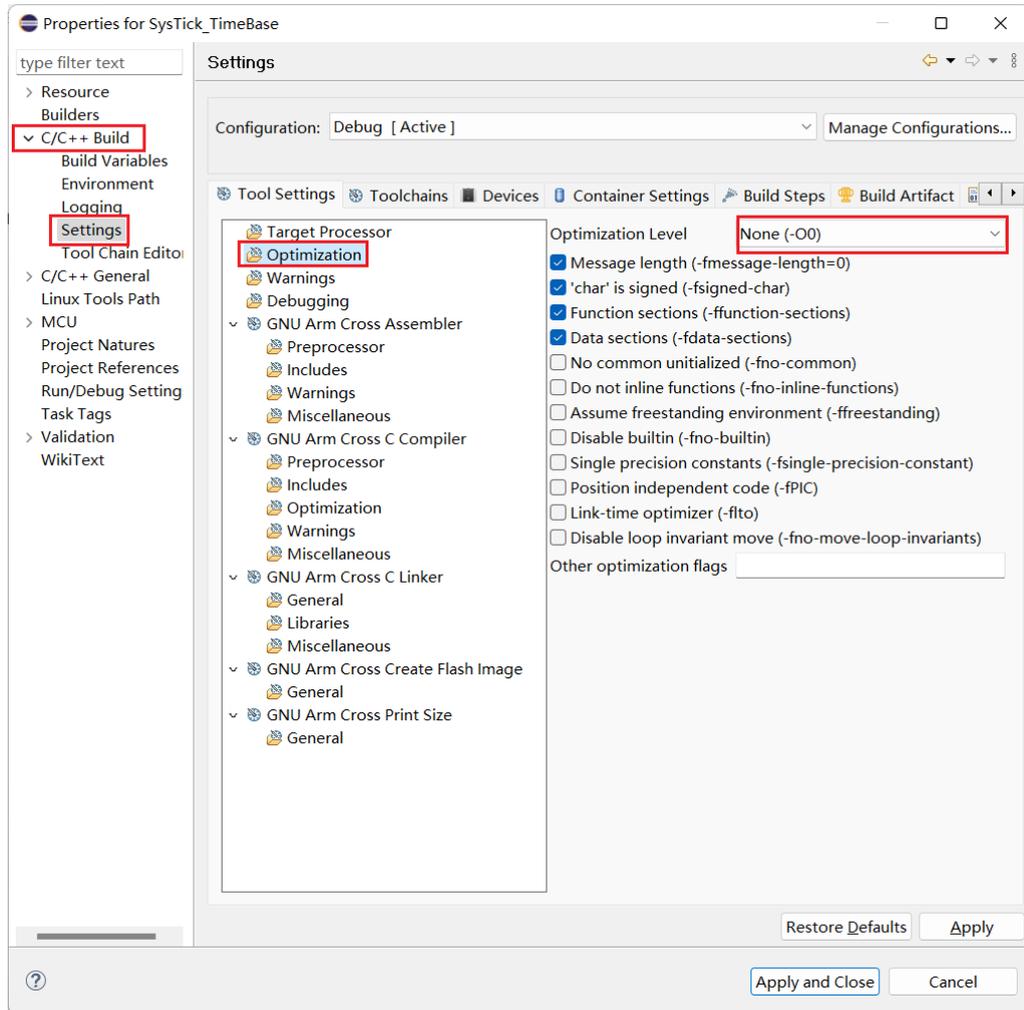
Figure 13 Target Processor Configuration



3.3.2 Configure Optimization tab

In the "C/C++ Build->Settings->Tool Settings->Optimization" option, different optimization levels can be configured for the chip, such as -O0, -O1, -O2, -O3, -Os, -Ofast and -Og.

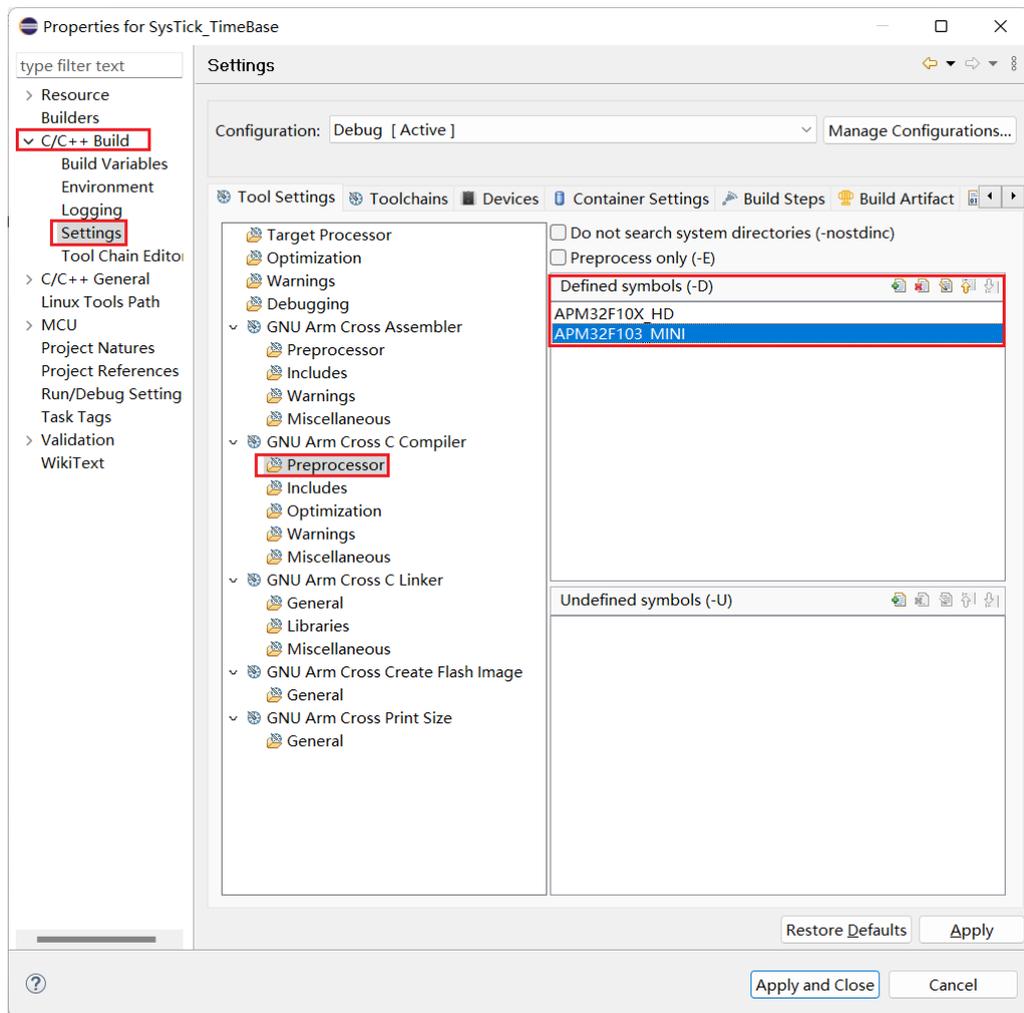
Figure 14 Optimization Configuration



3.3.3 Configure GNU Arm Cross C Compiler tab

Configure “C/C++ Build->Settings->Tool Settings->GNU Arm Cross C Compiler” option. In this example, add pre-compile macro: APM32F10X_HD、APM32F103_MINI in “Preprocessor->Defined symbols” option.

Figure 15 GNU Arm Cross C Compiler Configuration



The header file required by the project is added in the "includes->Include paths" option. In this example, the path of the added header file is as follows:

```
"${ProjDirPath}/../Include"
```

```
"${ProjDirPath}/../../../../Board"
```

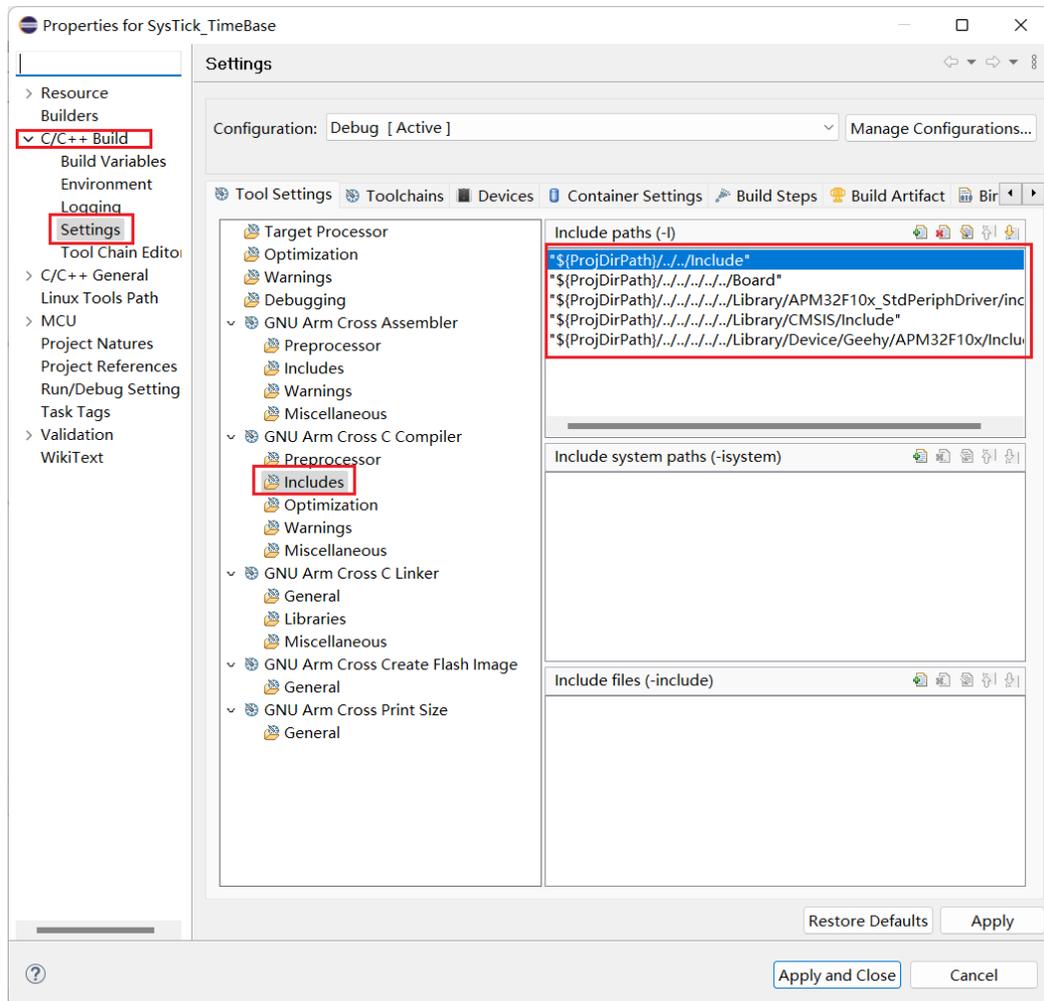
```
"${ProjDirPath}/../../../../Library/APM32F10x_StdPeriphDriver/inc"
```

```
"${ProjDirPath}/../../../../Library/CMSIS/Include"
```

```
"${ProjDirPath}/../../../../Library/Device/Geehy/APM32F10x/Include"
```

Note: Path addition includes relative path addition and absolute path addition. In this example, relative path addition is used.

Figure 16 Add the Header File Path Required by the Project



3.3.4 Configure GNU Arm Cross C Linker tab

Configure "C/C++ Build->Settings->Tool Settings->GNU Arm Cross C Linker" chain option. In this example, in "General ->Script files" option, add:

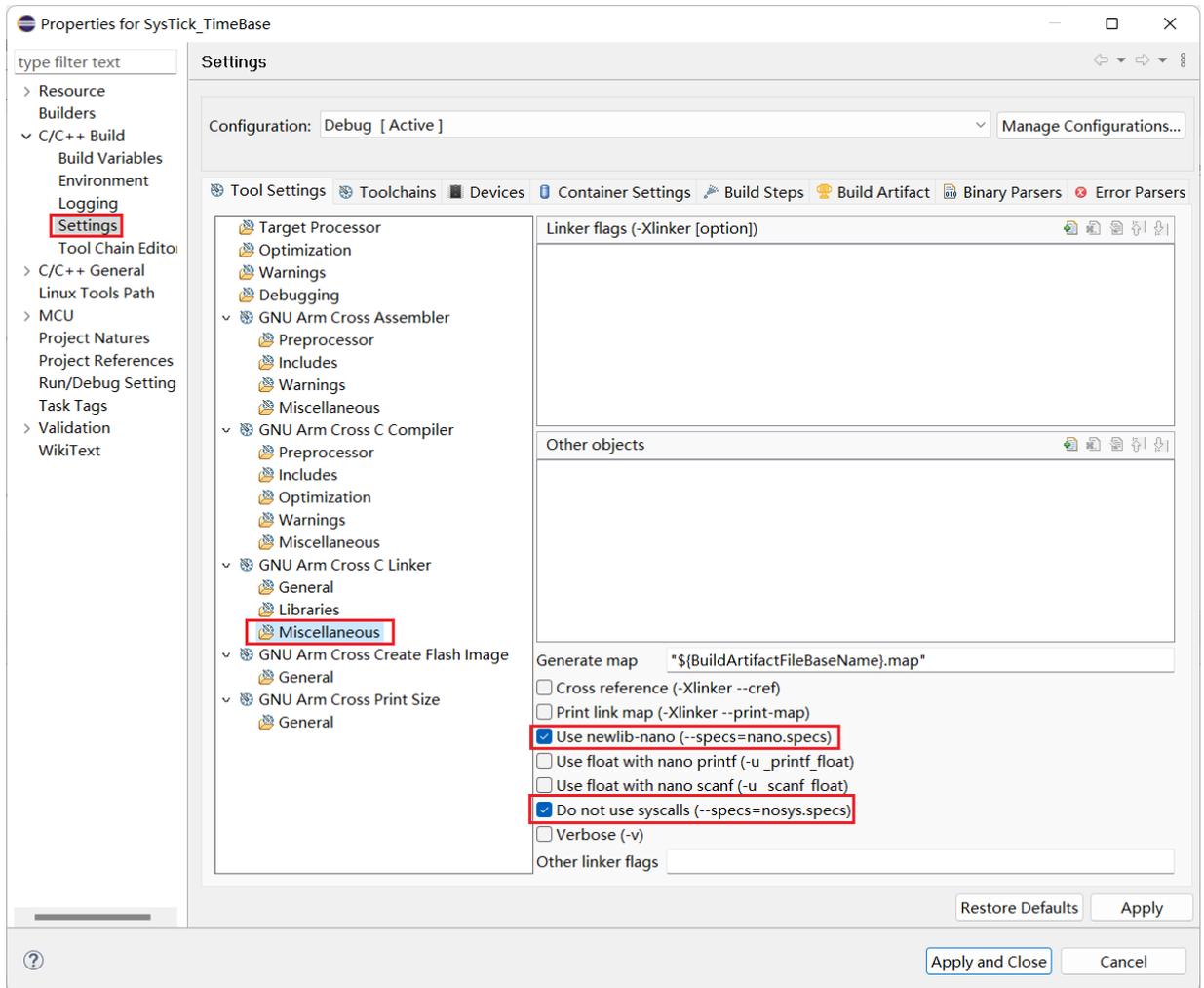
```
"${workspace_loc}/${ProjName}/gcc_APM32F10xxE.ld}"
```

ld script is a script file used by linker ld, which describes the internal layout of the program, defines the symbols for linking, and specifies the start address and size of storage areas such as code segment and data segment. The ld script used shall be consistent with the FLASH and RAM size of the target chip, and the memory configuration required by the customer.

Note: For the ld file added in this example, not only can the above relative path addition be used, but also the absolute path can be directly added.

Check the Use newlib-nano and Do not use syscalls of Miscellaneous option to optimize the code size.

Figure 17 GNU Arm Cross C Linker Configuration

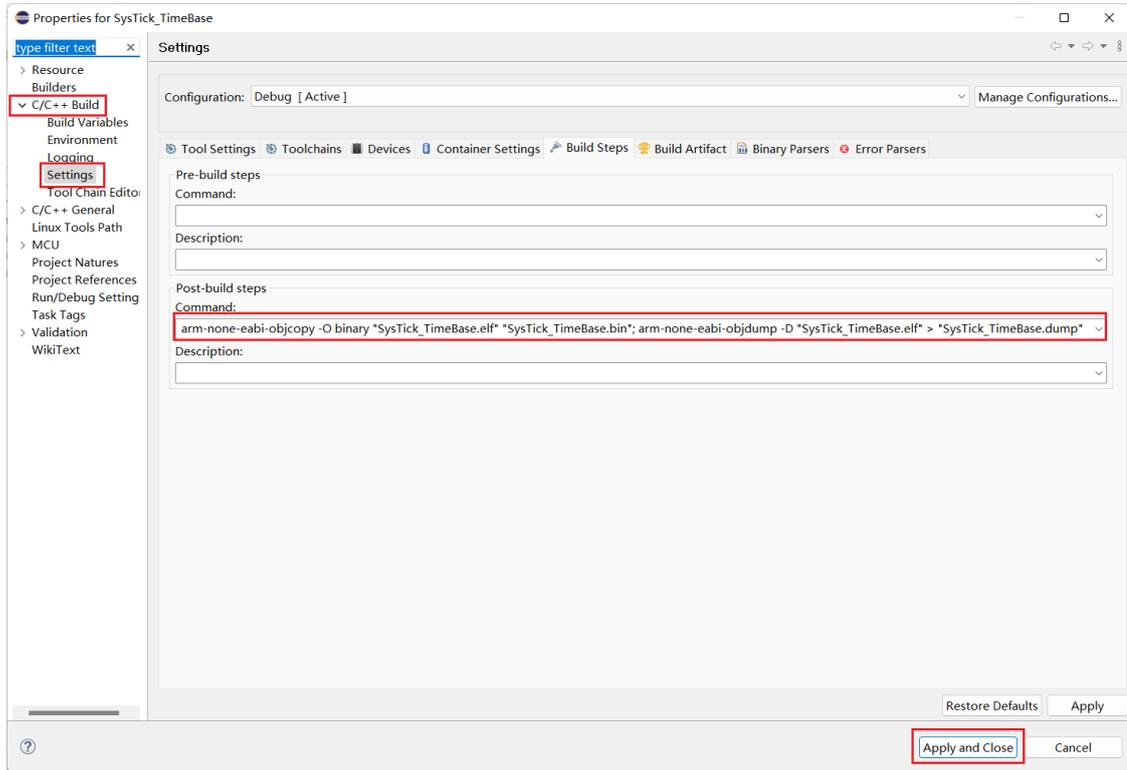


3.3.5 Configure Build Steps tab - Generate bin file

To generate a bin/hex file, add relevant command in "C/C++ Build->Settings-> Build Steps".

In this example, add: arm-none-eabi-objcopy -O binary "SysTick_TimeBase.elf" "SysTick_TimeBase.bin"; arm-none-eabi-objdump -D "SysTick_TimeBase.elf" > "SysTick_TimeBase.dump"

Figure 18 Configuration - Generate bin File

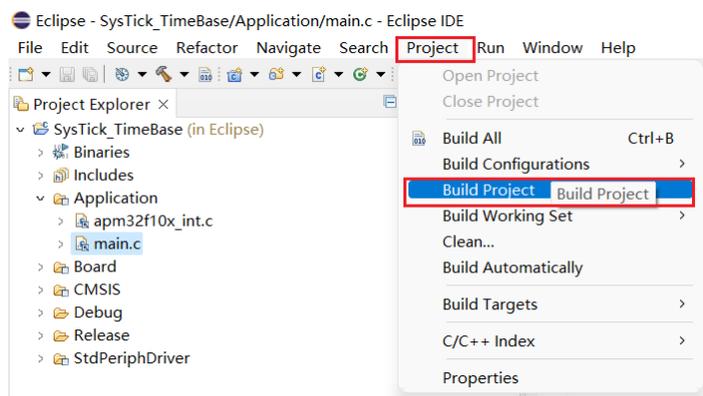


3.4 Compile Project

Click Project and select Build Project to compile the current project.

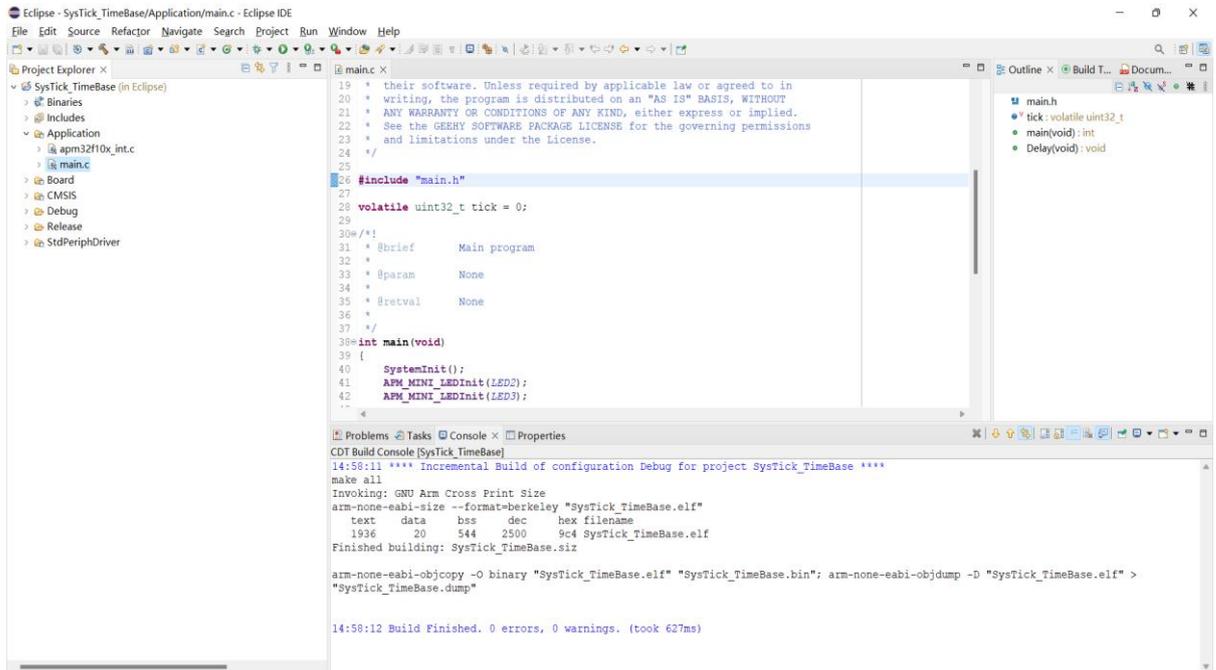
Note: Using Build Project will only compile the current project, while using Build All will compile all projects in the current workspace.

Figure 19 Compile a Project



Note: Before compiling, be sure to save the current project. Otherwise, the compiled project may be the last saved project, rather than the current modified project. To ensure the correctness of the compilation, it is necessary to perform project clean after the modifications, and then compile. After compilation, corresponding elf, hex, and bin files will be generated.

Figure 20 Compilation Results

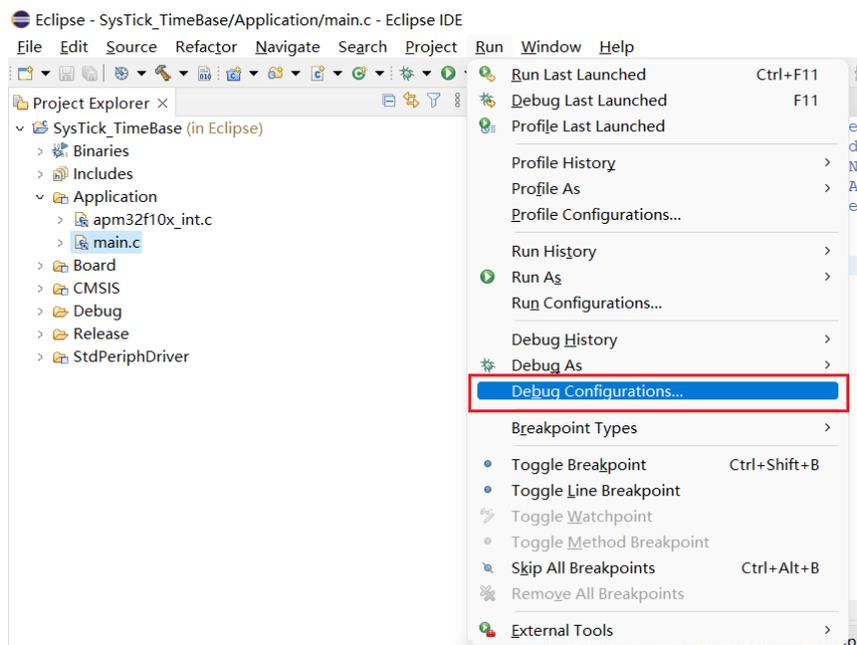


3.5 Download and debug the project with J-Link

3.5.1 Open Debug configuration interface

In the project, click Run in the menu bar and click Debug Configurations in the pop-up option box to enter the Debug configuration interface.

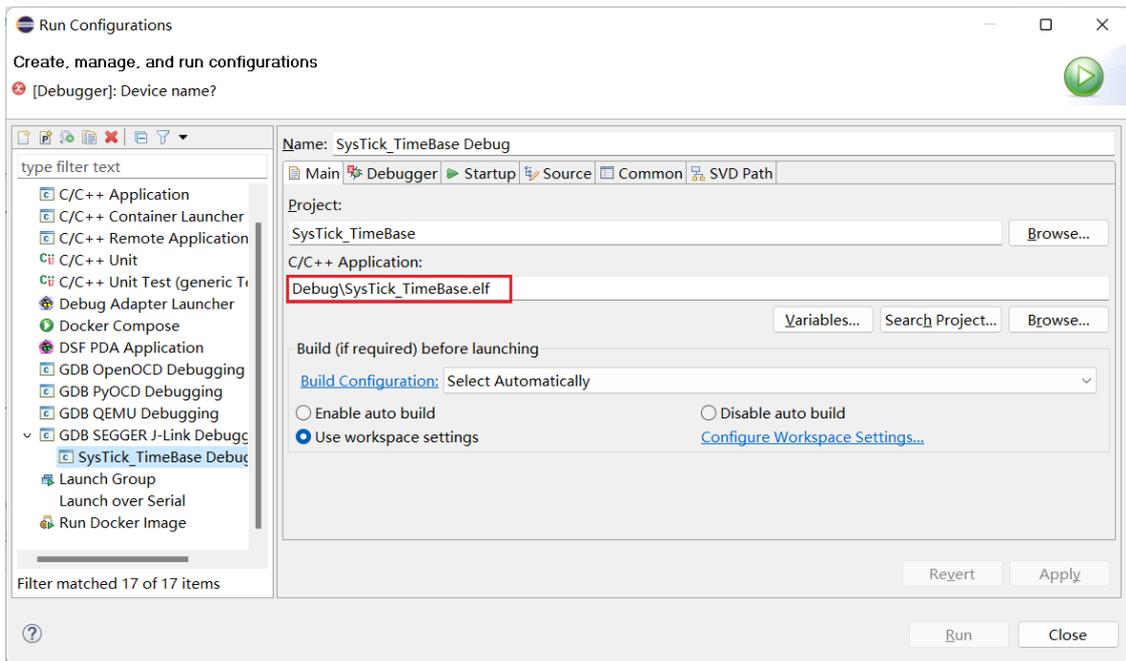
Figure 21 Enter Debug Configuration Interface



Use GDB Server and GDB Client as J-Link configuration option tools. In this example, GDB Server is J-Link GDBServerCL, and GDB Client is GDB tool in GCC tool chain. To create a new set of J-Link configuration options, double-click GDB SEGGER J-Link Debugging.

3.5.2 Configure Main tab

Figure 22 J-Link Main Tab



After a new set of J-Link configuration options is created, the main tab generally will automatically add the elf file of the current project by default. If not, click Browse on the right, find the elf file generated by the project compilation and manually add it.

Note: After different chip models are compiled, an elf file will be generated. If there is the need to compile multiple chip models, a new set of Debug configuration can be created for different models of the chip.

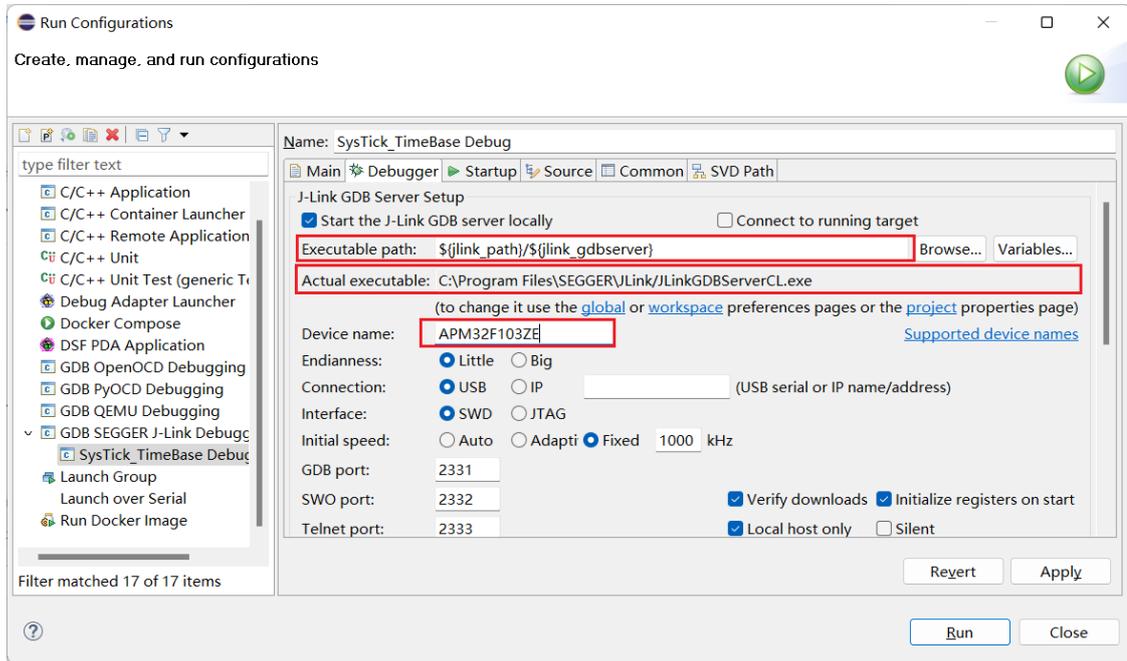
3.5.3 Configure Debugger tab

In Debugger tab, the corresponding chip model needs to be filled out in the Device name, and it is APM32F103ZE in this example.

When building an Eclipse environment, if J-Link path has been correctly configured, it will be automatically identified here. If the J-Link path configuration fails, the Browse of the Executable path can be clicked to select the path of J-Link GDBServerCL.

Note: The configured J-Link driver must support the chip model filled in.

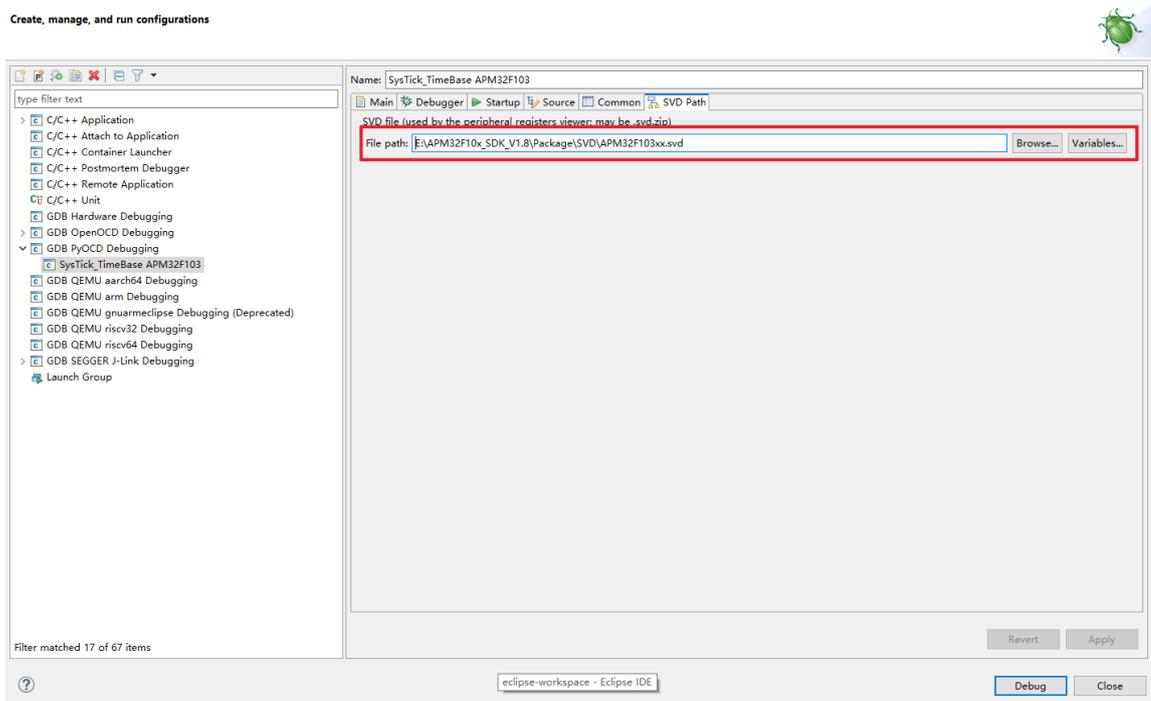
Figure 23 J-Link Debugger Tab



3.5.4 Configure SVD Path tab

In the SVD Path tab, select the SVD file of the target chip. In this example, the SVD file is APM32F103xx.svd, and the default path is: APM32F103_SDK\Packages\SVD

Figure 24 J-Link SVD Path Tab

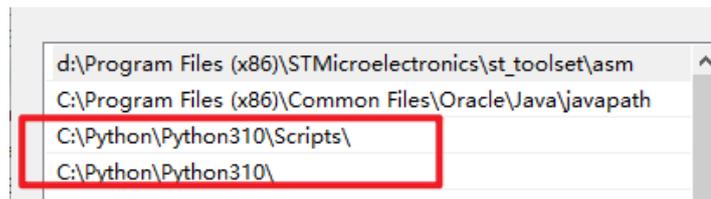


3.6 Download and debug the project with Geehy-Link

3.6.1 Configure Pyocd environment

Install python. The official website download link is [Welcome to Python.org](https://www.python.org/). Set the system environment variables after downloading.

Figure 25 Configure System Environment Variables



Open Windows cmd and enter python. If the following information appears, it indicates that python has been successfully installed.

Figure 26 python Is Installed Successfully

```
C:\Users\apex800499>python
Python 3.10.0 (tags/v3.10.0:b494f59, Oct 4 2021, 19:00:18) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>>
```

Python is installed successfully. Install pyocd and usb driver library.

1. Exit python and enter exit() in cmd
2. Install pyocd and enter pipinstall - U pyocd in cmd
3. Install libsub library and enter pip install - U libusb in cmd

Enter pyocd in Cmd. If the following information appears, it indicates successful installation.

Figure 27 pyocd Is Installed Successfully

```
Python 3.10.0 (tags/v3.10.0:b494f59, Oct 4 2021, 19:00:18) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> exit()

C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd
usage: pyocd [-h] [-V] [--help-options] ...

PyOCD debug tools for Arm Cortex devices

options:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -V, --version          show program's version number and exit
  --help-options        Display available session options.

subcommands:
  commander (cmd)      Interactive command console.
  erase                 Erase entire device flash or specified sectors.
  load (flash)          Load one or more images into target device memory.
  gdbserver (gdb)      Run the gdb remote server(s).
  json                  Output information as JSON.
  list                  List information about probes, targets, or boards.
  pack                  Manage CMSIS-Packs for target support.
  reset                Reset a target device.
  server                Run debug probe server.
  rtt                   SEGGER RTT Viewer/Logger.

C:\Users\apex800499>
```

3.6.2 Install pack

Connect to Geehy-link emulator, and enter `pyocd list` in cmd. If the following content appears, it indicates successful connection.

Figure 28 Connect Geehy-link Emulator

```
C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd list
#  Probe/Board                Unique ID      Target
-----
0  GeehySemiconductor Geehy CMSIS-DAP  FS-00008803  n/a
```

Download the pack for the corresponding `apm32f1` series from the official website of keil (<https://www.keil.arm.com/devices>) or the official website of Geehy (<https://geehy.com/MCU>).

Enter `pyocd list --target --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack` in Cmd, and view all chip models supported by `apm32f1` series pack.

Figure 29 View apm32f1 Series Pack

```
C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd list --target --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack
Name                Vendor          Part Number    Families
```

When the command is successfully executed, the following information will appear, indicating that the information is successfully obtained.

Figure 30 apm32f103 Chip Model

```
C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd list
# Probe/Board Unique ID Target
-----
0 GeehySemiconductor Geehy CMSIS-DAP FS-00008803 n/a

C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd list --target --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack
Name Vendor Part Number Families Source
-----
apm32f103c4 Geehy APM32F103C4 APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
apm32f103c6 Geehy APM32F103C6 APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
apm32f103c8 Geehy APM32F103C8 APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
apm32f103cb Geehy APM32F103CB APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
apm32f103cc Geehy APM32F103CC APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
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apm32f103r8 Geehy APM32F103R8 APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
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apm32f103v8 Geehy APM32F103V8 APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
apm32f103vb Geehy APM32F103VB APM32F1 Series, APM32F103 pack
```

After the emulator is connected to the development board, enter `pyocd erase --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack -t apm32f103ze --chip` in Cmd to erase the chip.

Figure 31 apm32f103ze Chip Erase

```
C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd erase --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack -t apm32f103ze --chip
0003543 I Erasing chip... [eraser]
0003793 I Chip erase complete [eraser]
```

After the chip is successfully erased, enter `pyocd flash --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack --target apm32f103ze + corresponding hex (or elf, bin) file` in cmd to conduct code burning for the chip.

Figure 32 apm32f103ze Chip Burning

```
C:\Users\apex800499>pyocd flash --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack --target apm32f103ze E:\APM32F10x_SDK_V1.8\Examples\SysTick\SysTick_TimeBase\Project\Eclipse\APM32F103\SysTick_TimeBase.elf
0005742 I Loading E:\APM32F10x_SDK_V1.8\Examples\SysTick\SysTick_TimeBase\Project\Eclipse\APM32F103\SysTick_TimeBase.elf
[load_cmd]
[=====] 100%
0006557 I Erased 2048 bytes (1 sector), programmed 2048 bytes (1 page), skipped 0 bytes (0 pages) at 2.52 kB/s [loader]
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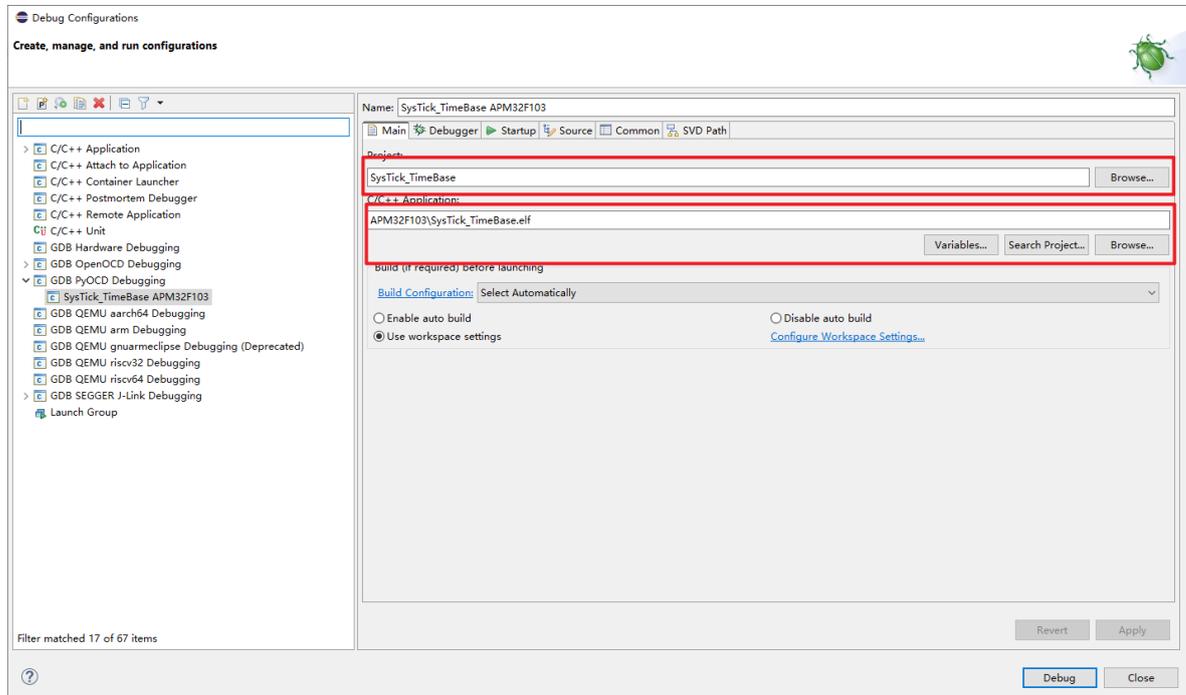
3.6.3 Open Debug configuration interface

In the menu bar, click Run and select Debug Configurations in the pop-up selection box to enter the Debug configuration interface.

Use PyOCD and GDB Client as Geehy-Link configuration option tools. In this example, GDB Server is PyOCD, and GDB Client is GDB tool in GCC tool chain. To create a new set of Geehy-Link configuration options, double-click GDB PyOCD Debugging.

3.6.4 Configure Main tab

Figure 33 Geehy-Link Main Tab



After a new set of Geehy-Link configuration options is created, the main tab generally will automatically add the elf file of the current project by default. If not, click Browse on the right, find the elf file generated by the project compilation and manually add it.

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3.6.5 Configure Debugger tab

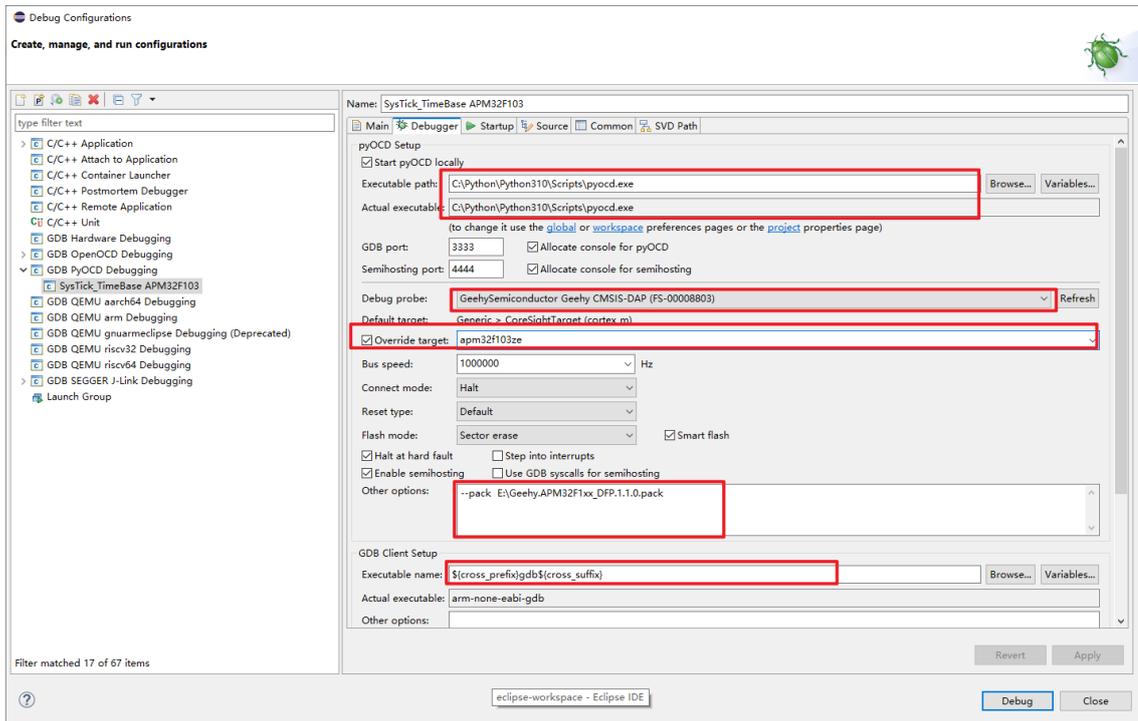
When building an Eclipse environment, if PyOCD path has been correctly configured, it will be automatically identified here. If the PyOCD path configuration fails, the Browse of the Executable path can be clicked to select the path of PyOCD. In the Debug probe bar, select the used CMSIS-DAP emulator.

Check override target, select the corresponding chip model, and enter the following command in Cmd to view the supported models. Here, apm32f103ze is used.

```
pyocd list --target --pack E:\Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack
```

Add the pack path in other options, -- pack E:\ Geehy.APM32F1xx_DFP.1.1.0.pack.

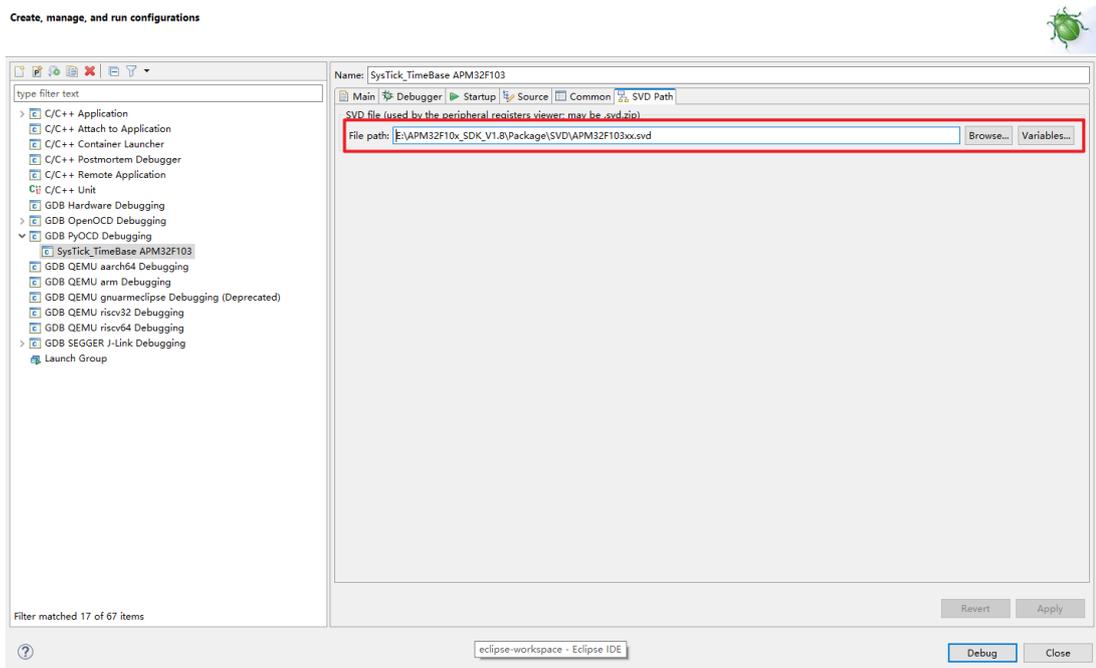
Figure 34 Geehy-Link Debugger Tab



3.6.6 Configure SVD Path tab

In the SVD Path tab, select the SVD file required for the chip. In this example, APM32F103xx.svd is used, and the default file path of SVD is APM32F10x_SDK\Package\SVD.

Figure 35 Geehy-Link SVD Path Tab



3.7 Debug interface

If Debug Configurations are completed, click Debug to debug. After the following figure appears, click Switch to enter the Debug view.

Figure 36 Enter Debug View

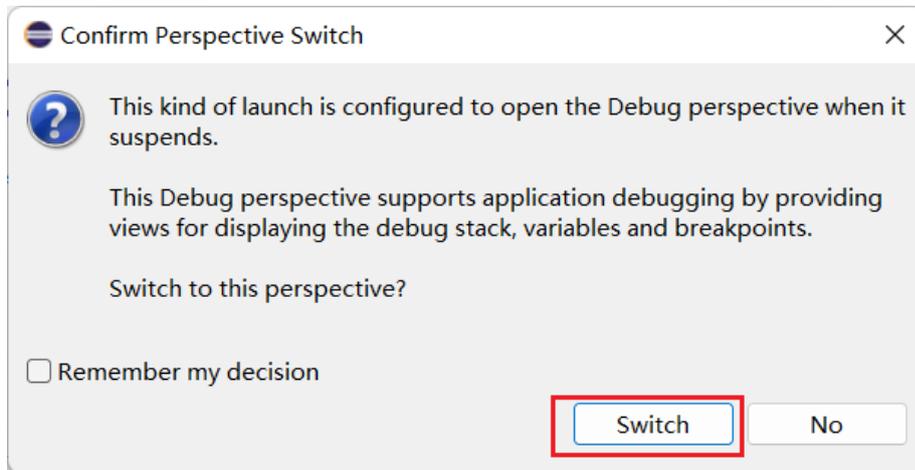
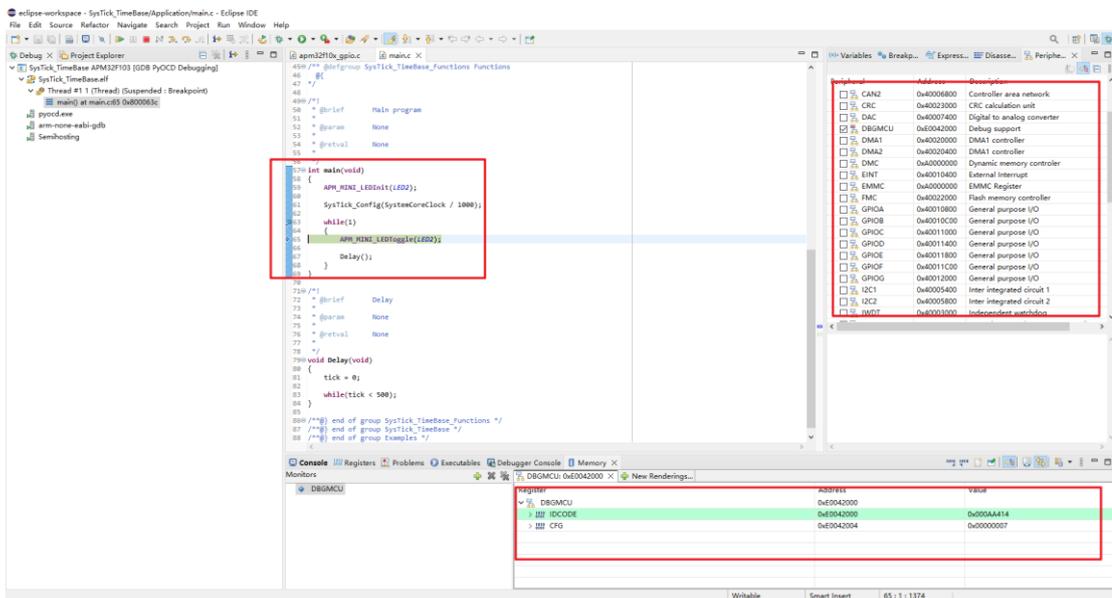
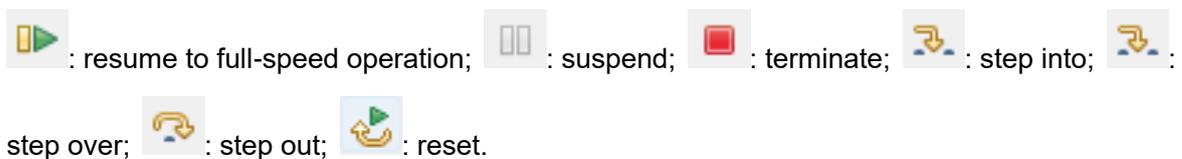


Figure 37 Debug View



3.7.1 Introduction to toolbars



3.7.2 Registers window

Select the Window>Show view>Registers option in the menu bar to view the values of general registers.

Figure 38 Registers Option

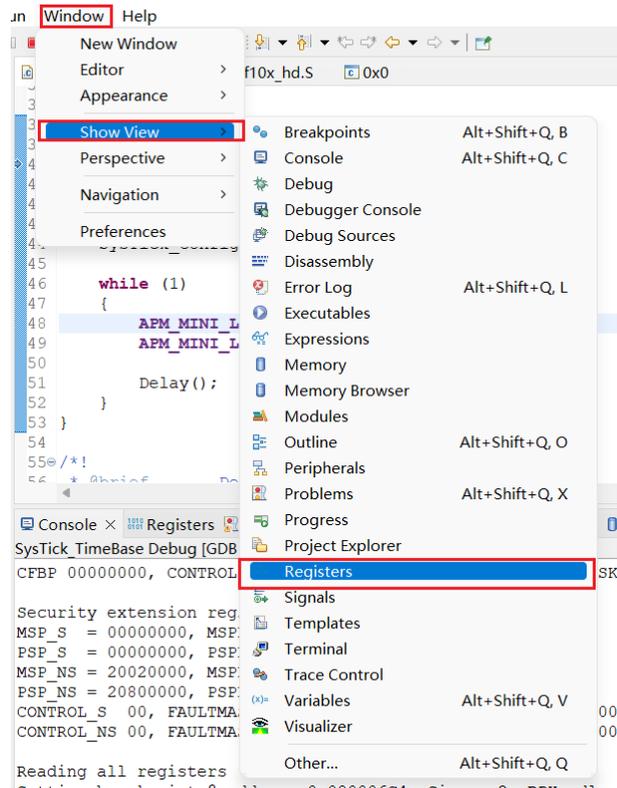
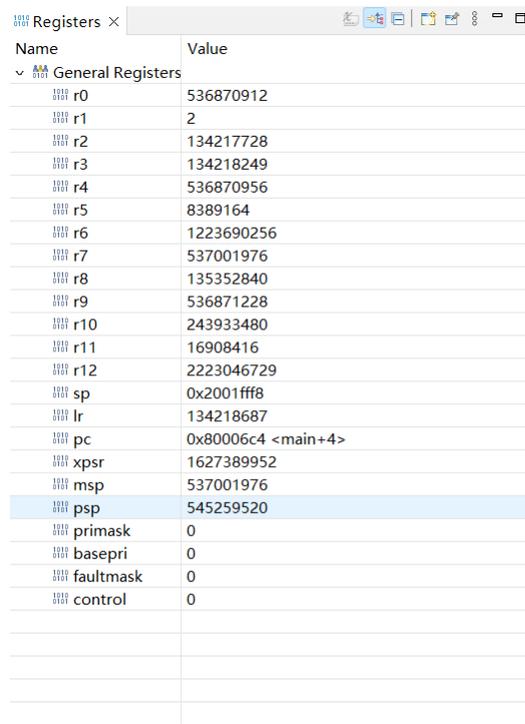


Figure 39 Registers Window



Name	Value
General Registers	
r0	536870912
r1	2
r2	134217728
r3	134218249
r4	536870956
r5	8389164
r6	1223690256
r7	537001976
r8	135352840
r9	536871228
r10	243933480
r11	16908416
r12	2223046729
sp	0x2001fff8
lr	134218687
pc	0x80006c4 <main+4>
xpsr	1627389952
mshp	537001976
psp	545259520
primask	0
basepri	0
faultmask	0
control	0

3.7.3 Peripherals window

In the menu bar, to view the values of peripheral registers, click the Window>Show view>Peripherals option.

Figure 40 Open Peripherals window

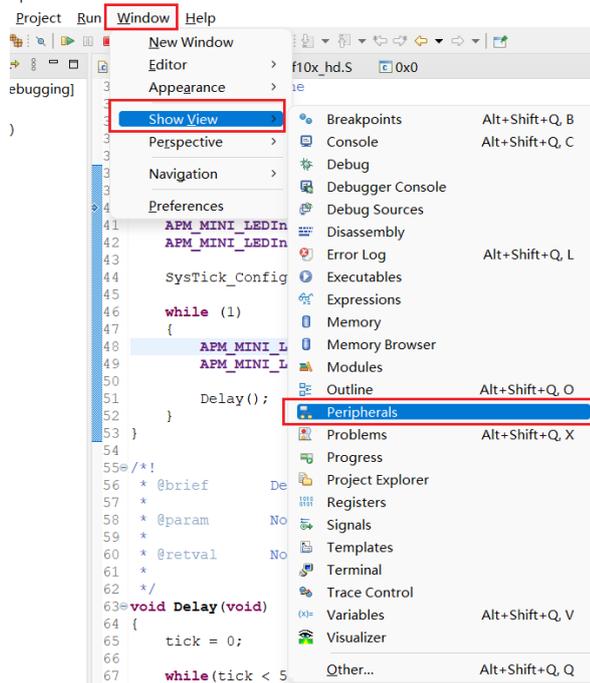
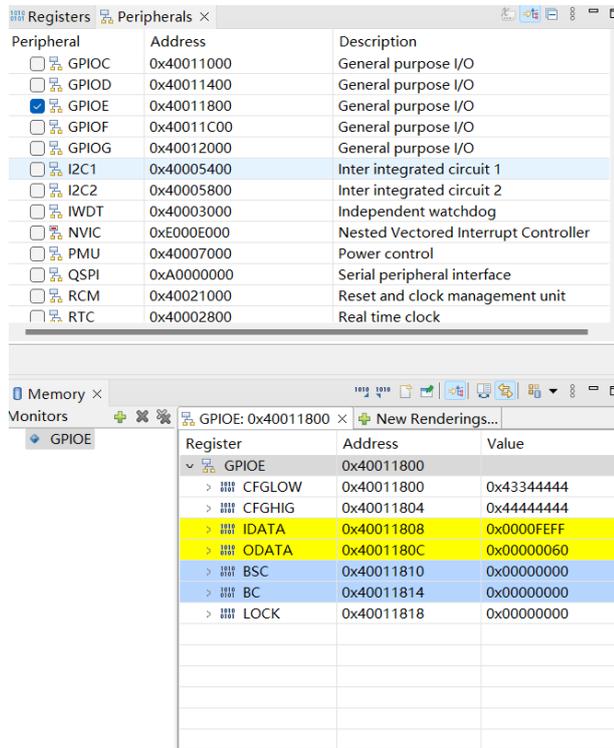


Figure 41 View Peripheral Registers



3.7.4 Memory window

To view the corresponding memory address of the register or variable, select "Window>Show View>Memory" in the menu bar, click the "+" sign above the Memory window to view the www.geehy.com

corresponding Memory address of the current register or variable.

Figure 42 Open Memory Window

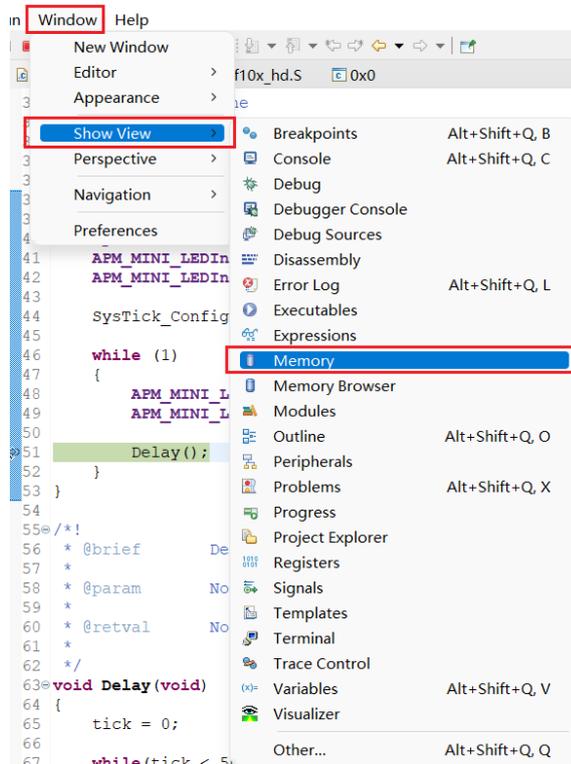
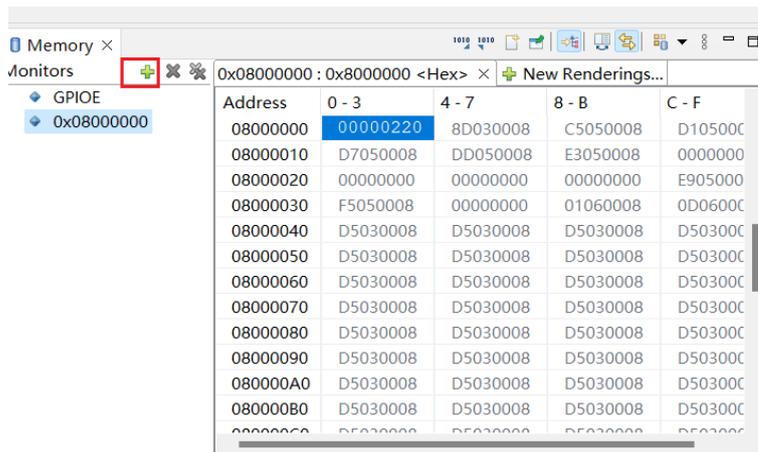


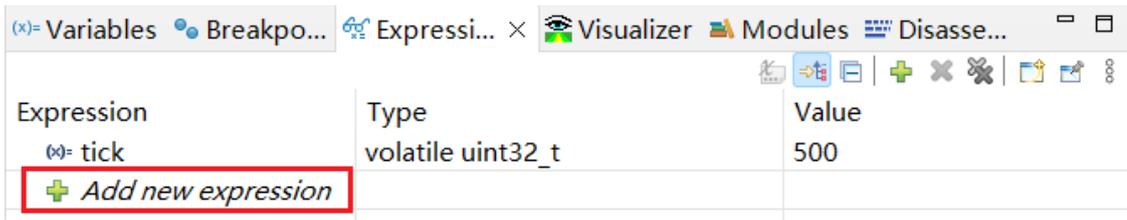
Figure 43 Memory Window



3.7.5 Expressions window

To view the value of the corresponding variable, select the "Window>Show View>Expressions" in the menu bar, click the "+" sign in the Expressions window to add and the variable can be viewed.

Figure 44 Expressions Window



Note: In Eclipse, if the program runs at full speed, the value of the corresponding variable cannot be updated in real time. The change in the value of the variable can only be viewed when the code stops running.

3.7.6 Disassembly window

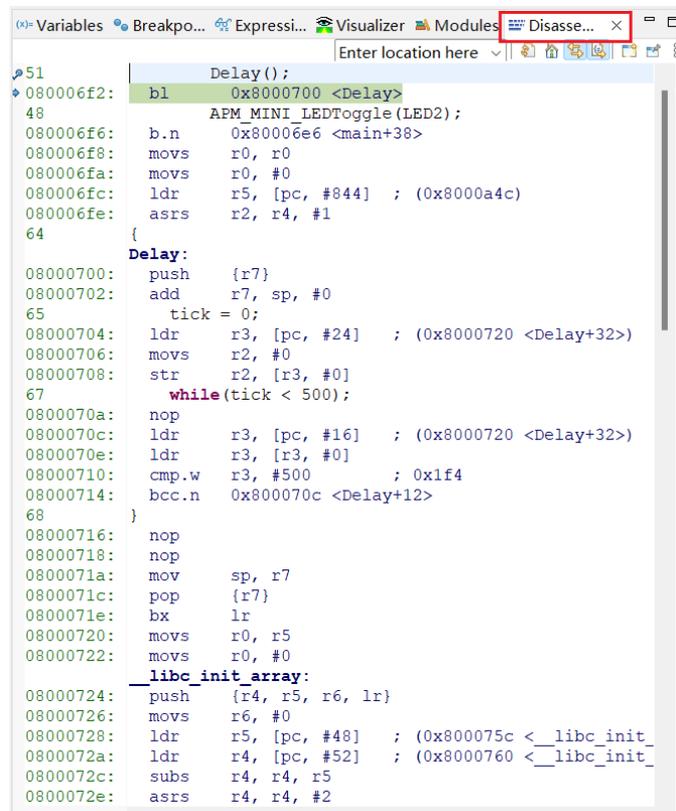
In the Debug mode, click Instruction Stepping Mode to open the disassembly window.

Figure 45 Open Disassembly Window



In the disassembly window, functions such as single-step debugging of assembly instruction can be implemented at the breakpoint.

Figure 46 Disassembly Window



4 How to import existing project

Eclipse can directly import the existing project. In the project view, click File->Import. In the pop-up selection view, select General->Existing Project into Workspace, click "Next", select the Eclipse project path, and click finish to import the existing project.

Figure 48 Import Existing Project

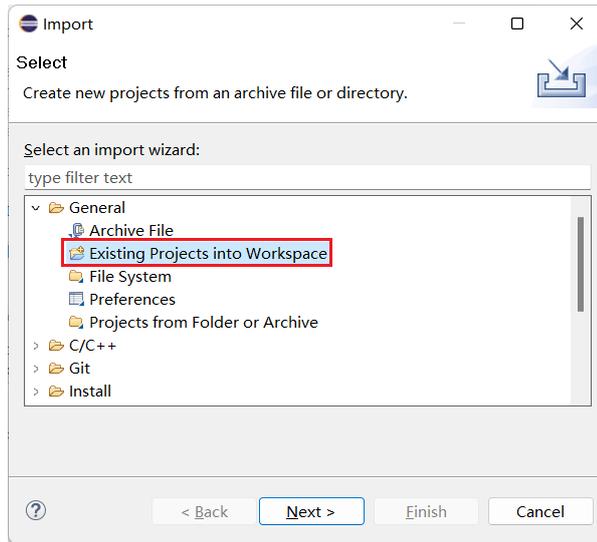
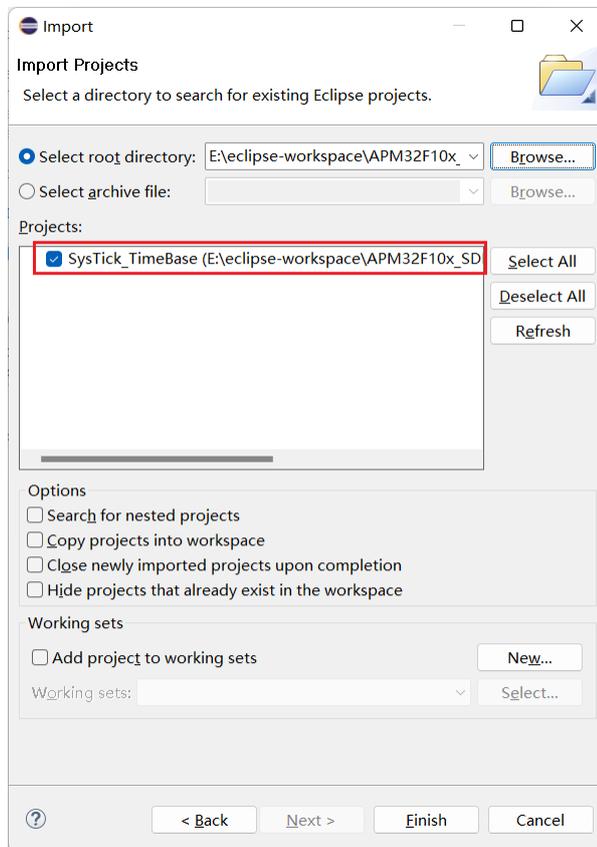


Figure 49 Select Existing Project



5 How to debug in RAM

Step 1: Modify the project link script. Shown below is an example of modification.

/ Specify the memory areas */*

MEMORY

{

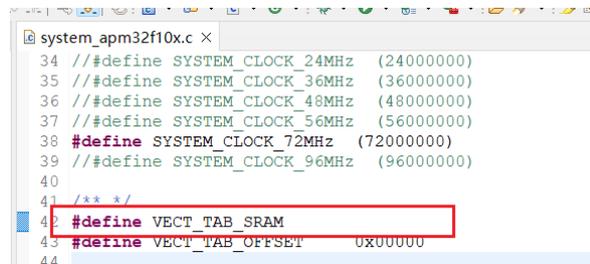
FLASH (rx) : ORIGIN = 0x20000000, LENGTH = 20K

RAM (xrw) : ORIGIN = 0x20005000, LENGTH = 108K

}

Step 2: Modify the interrupt vector table and relocate to SRAM. Recompile the project after finishing steps 1 and 2.

Figure 50 Change Interrupt Vector Address



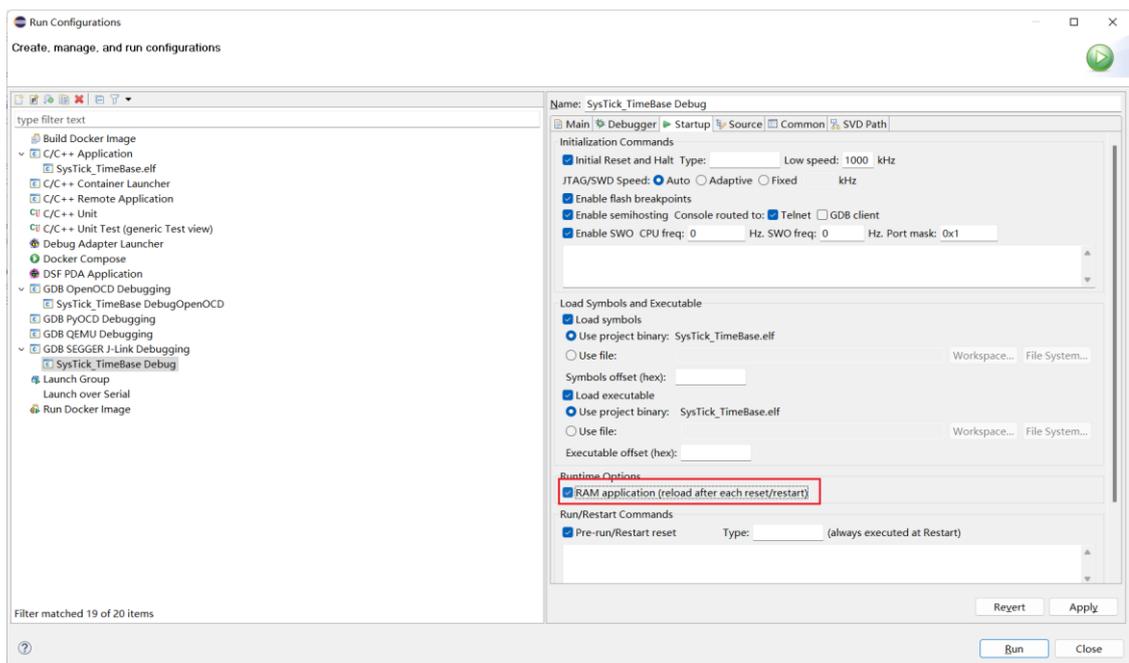
```

34 // #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_24MHz (24000000)
35 // #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_36MHz (36000000)
36 // #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_48MHz (48000000)
37 // #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_56MHz (56000000)
38 #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_72MHz (72000000)
39 // #define SYSTEM_CLOCK_96MHz (96000000)
40
41 /** */
42 #define VECT_TAB_SRAM
43 #define VECT_TAB_OFFSET 0x000000
44

```

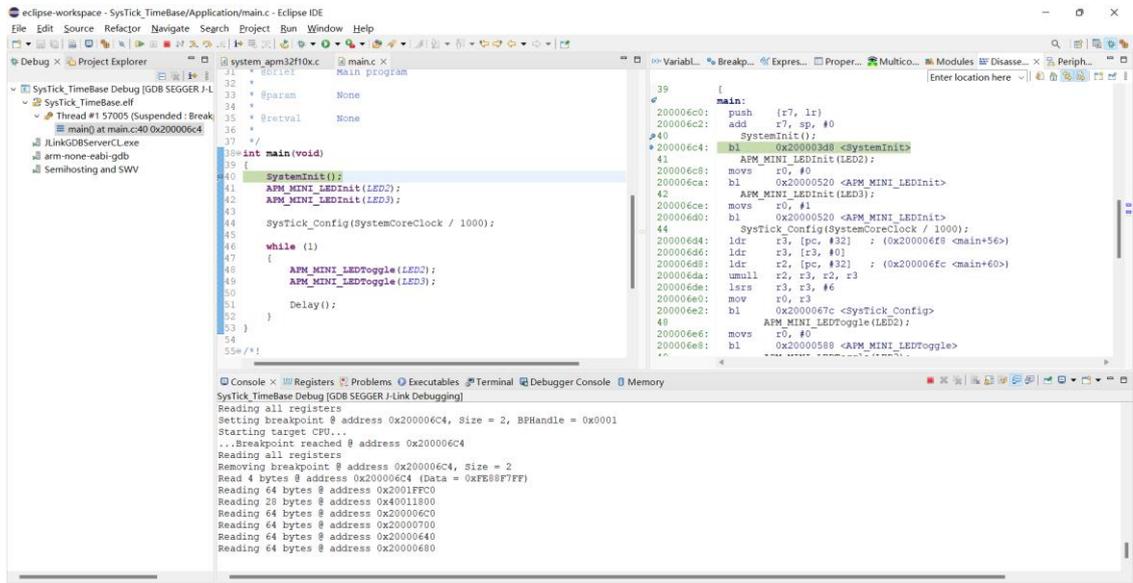
Step 3: Right-click the project, select properties, select Debug Configuration->Startup in the pop-up option box, and check RAM application.

Figure 51 Check RAM application



Step 4: Debug. The following figure shows the Debug view during debugging in RAM.

Figure 52 Debug View during debugging in RAM



6 How to use printf for printing

6.1 Steps of use

Step 1: Add the syscall.c file and add the following code to the file to define by adding `_write` function, and redirect `usart` to `__io_putchar` function.

```
#include "apm32f10x_usart.h"
```

```
int _write(int file, char *ptr, int len)
{
    int DataIdx;
    for (DataIdx = 0; DataIdx < len; DataIdx++)
    {
        __io_putchar(*ptr++);
    }
    return len;
}
```

```
int __io_putchar(int ch)
{
    while (USART_ReadStatusFlag(USART1, USART_FLAG_TXBE) == RESET);
    USART_TxData(USART1, ch);
    return ch;
}
```

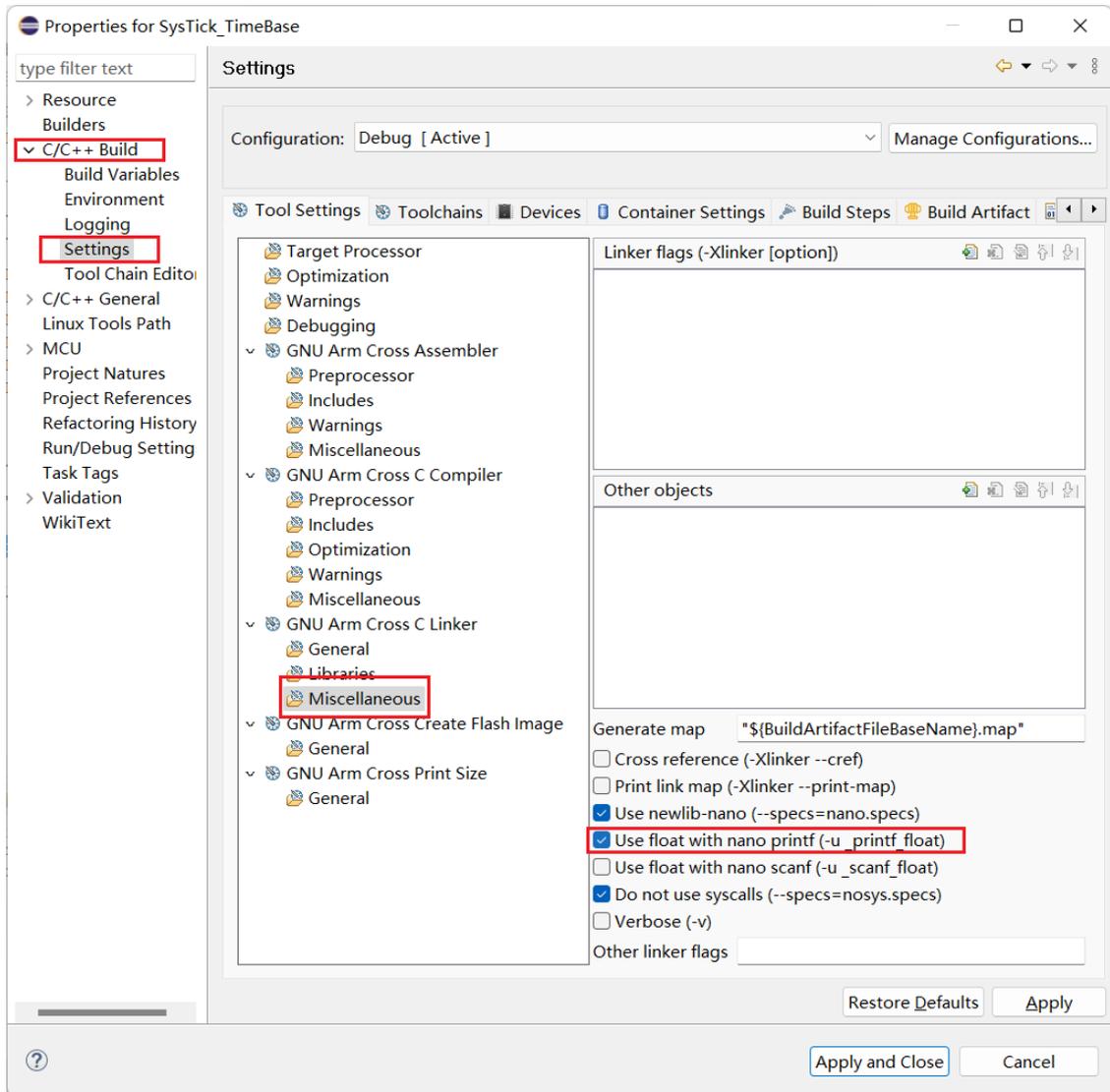
Step 2: Use the `printf` function to print normally.

```
printf("Runing \r\n");
```

6.2 Configuration of printing floating point data

In the project view, select File->Properties option, and in C/C++ Build->Settings->Tool Settings->GNU Arm Cross C Linker->Miscellaneous, check `-u _printf_float` option.

Figure 53 Check -u _printf_float Option

**Note:**

1. When using printf printing, add `\r\n` at the end of the printed content, such as `printf("Running!\r\n")`.
2. If there is a high requirement for code size, it is not recommended to use printf. If printf is used in GCC, the code size will be greatly increased.

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Table 1 Document Revision History

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