WCH-LinkUserManual

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1 WCH-Link

1.1 Module introduction

WCH-Link module can be used for online debugging and downloading of WCH RISC-V MCU, and also for online debugging and downloading of ARM MCU with SWD/JTAG interface. It also comes with a serial port for easy debugging output. There are 3 kinds of WCH-Link including WCH-Link, WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink, as shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1 WCH-Link physical diagram

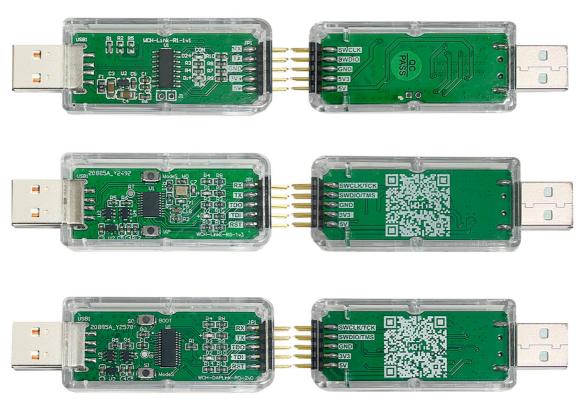
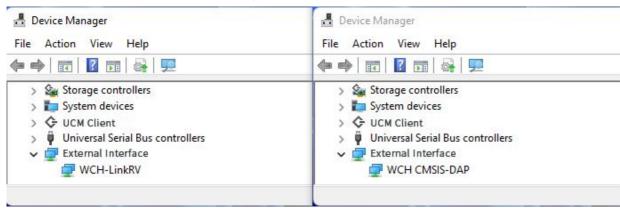


Figure 2 WCH-Link mode



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Table 1 WCH-Link mode

Mode	Status LED	IDE	Support chip
DICC V	Blue LED is always	MounDivon Studio	WCH RISC-V core chips that support single/dual
KISC-V	RISC-V off when idle MounRiver Studio		line debugging
ARM	Blue LED is always	Vail/Maun Divar Studia	ADM core ching that summent SW/D/ITAC must col
AKIVI	on when idle	Keil/MounRiver Studio	ARM core chips that support SWD/JTAG protocol

1.2 Mode Switching

Way 1: Use MounRiver Studio software to switch Link mode. (This method is applicable to WCH-Link and WCH-LinkE)

- O Click arrow in the shortcut toolbar to bring up the project download configuration window
- © Click Query on the right side of Target Mode to view the current Link mode
- Olick Target Mode option box, select the target Link mode, click Apply



Way 2: Use WCH-LinkUtility tool to switch Link mode.

- ① Click Get on the right side of Active WCH-Link mode to view the current Link mode
- © Click Active WCH-Link mode option box, select the target Link mode, click Set



Way 3: Use ModeS key to switch Link mode. (This method is applicable to WCH-LinkE-R0-1v2 and WCH-DAPLink-R0-2v0 and above)

① Press and hold the ModeS key to power up the Link

Notes:

- (1) The blue LED flashes when downloading and debugging.
- (2) The Link maintains the switched mode for subsequent use.
- (3) Scan the QR code in the picture on the back of Link to open the WCH-Link emulator debugger module website.
- (4) WCH-Link simulation debugger module URL: https://www.wch.cn/products/WCH-Link.html
- (5) MounRiver Studio Access URL: http://mounriver.com/
- (6) WCH-LinkUtility Access URL: https://www.wch.cn/downloads/WCH-LinkUtility ZIP.html
- (7) WCHISPTool Access URL: https://www.wch.cn/downloads/WCHISPTool Setup exe.html
- (8) WCH-Link and WCH-LinkE support LinkRV and LinkDAP-WINUSB mode switching; WCH-DAPLink supports LinkDAP-WINUSB and LinKDAP-HID mode switching.

1.3 Serial port baud rate

Table 2 WCH-Link serial port supports baud rate

1200	2400	4800	9600	14400
19200	38400	57600	115200	230400

Table 3 WCH-LinkE serial port supports baud rate

1200	2400	4800	9600	14400	19200
38400	57600	115200	230400	460800	921600

Table 4 WCH-DAPLink serial port supports baud rate

1200	2400	4800	9600	14400	19200
38400	57600	115200	230400	460800	921600

Notes:

- (1) Figure 1 in the row of pins RX and TX for the serial port transceiver pins, serial port support baud rate is shown in the table above.
- (2) CDC driver needs to be installed under Win7.
- (3) If you re-unplug Link, please re-open the serial debugging assistant.

1.4 Function comparison

Table 5 Link functions and performance comparison table

Function items	WCH-Link-R1-1v1	WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3	WCH-DAPLink-R0-2v0
RISC-V mode	√	√	×
ARM-SWD mode-HID device	×	×	√
ARM-SWD mode-WINUSB device	√	√	√
ARM-JTAG mode -HID device	×	×	√
ARM-JTAG mode -WINUSB device	×	√	√
ModeS key to switch mode	×	√	√
2-wire way upgrade firmware offline	×	√	√
Serial port upgrade firmware offline	√	×	×
USB upgrade firmware offline	√	×	√
Controllable 3.3V/5V power output	×	√	√
High-speed USB2.0 to JTAG interface	×	√	×
Download tools	MounRiver Studio WCH-LinkUtility Keil uVision5	MounRiver Studio WCH-LinkUtility Keil uVision5	WCH-LinkUtility Keil uVision5
Keil supported versions	Keil V5.25 and above	Keil V5.25 and above	Supported in all versions of Keil

2 Pin connections

Table 6 Link supported chip model

Common chip models	WCH-Link	WCH-LinkE	WCH-DAPLink
CH32V003	×	√	×
CH32V10x/CH32V20x/CH32V30x/CH569/CH573/CH583	1	1	×
CH32F10x/CH32F20x/CH579/friendly chips that support	1	4	ما
SWD protocol	Y	V	٧
friendly chips that support JTAG interface	×	1	1

Table 7 Common chip pin connections

Common chip models	SWDIO	SWCLK
CH569	PA11	PA10
CH579	PB16	PB17
CH573/CH583	PB14	PB15
CH32V003	PD1	-
CH32V10x/CH32V20x/CH32V30x/CH32F10x/CH32F20x	PA13	PA14

Table 8 STM32F10xxx JTAG interface pinout

JTAG interface pin name	JTAG debug interface	Pinout
TMS	JTAG mode selection	PA13
TCK	JTAG clock	PA14
TDI	JTAG data input	PA15
TDO	JTAG data output	PB3

Notes:

- (1) Link maximum supported line length: 30cm, if the download process is unstable, try to turn down the download speed.
- (2) JTAG mode, WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3, WCH-DAPLink-R0-2v0 hardware version began to support, the previous hardware version does not support.
- (3) WCH-LinkE high-speed version is only for CH32F20x/CH32V20x/CH32V30x to speed up.
- (4) Except for CH32 series chips, if you want to use Link for downloading or debugging, you need to use the official ISP tool to open the 2-wire debug interface, and you need to pay attention to Link mode when using it.

3 Keil download and debug

3.1 Device switching

WCH-DAPLink supports two modes, ARM mode-WINUSB device and ARM mode-HID device, and you can switch between the two device modes with the WCH-LinkUtility tool (or by powering up the Link after long pressing the ModeS key.) WCH-Link and WCH-LinkE only support ARM mode-WINUSB device mode.



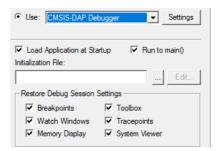
Table 9 WCH-DAPLink device

Device	Support Link	Keil supported versions
ARM mode-WINUSB device	WCH-Link WCH-LinkE WCH-DAPLink	Keil V5.25 and above ARM-CMSIS V5.3.0 and above
ARM mode-HID device	WCH-DAPLink	Supported in all versions of Keil

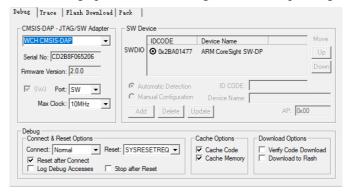
Note: WCH-Link, WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink are factory defaulted to WINUSB device mode.

3.2 Download configuration

Click the magic wand in the toolbar to bring up the Options for Target dialog box, click Debug and select the emulator model



- © Click the Use option box and select CMSIS-DAP Debugger
- 3 Click the Settings button to bring up the Cortex-M Target Driver Setup dialog box



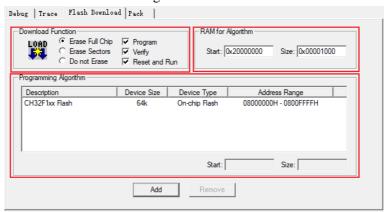
Serial No: Display the identifier of the debug adapter being used. When multiple adapters are connected, you can specify the adapter by using the drop-down list.

SW Device: Show the device ID and name of the connected device.

Port: Set the internal debug interface SW or JTAG. (Both interfaces are supported by WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 and WCH-DAPLink-R0-2v0)

Max Clock: Set the clock rate to communicate with the target device.

Click Flash Download for download configuration



Download Function: Configuration options

RAM for Algorithm: Configure the starting address and size of RAM space

Our CH32F103 series chip RAM space size is 0x1000, CH32F20x series chip RAM space size is 0x2800.

Programming Algorithm: Add algorithm file

The algorithm file has been added automatically after installing the chip device package, click OK.

S After completing the above configuration, click OK to close the dialog box. Click the icon in the toolbar to burn in the code.

3.3 Debug

- Click the Debug button in the toolbar to enter the debug page
- Set breakpoints

- 3 Basic debug commands
- Reset: Perform a reset operation on the program.
- Run: Cause the current program to start running at full speed until the program stops when it encounters a breakpoint.
- Step: Execute a single statement and if a function is encountered, it will go inside the function.
- Step Over: Execute a single statement that does not go inside the function if it encounters a function, but runs the function at full speed and jumps to the next statement.

Step Out: Run all the contents after the current function at full-speed until the function returns to the previous level.

Click the Debug button in the toolbar again to exit debug.

4 MounRiver Studio Download and Debug

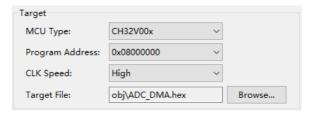
4.1 Download configuration

Olick the arrow in the toolbar to bring up the project download configuration window

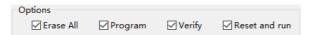
© Click the Disable Read-Protect button to disable the chip read protection



Target configuration, the main elements are as follows.



4 Configuration Options



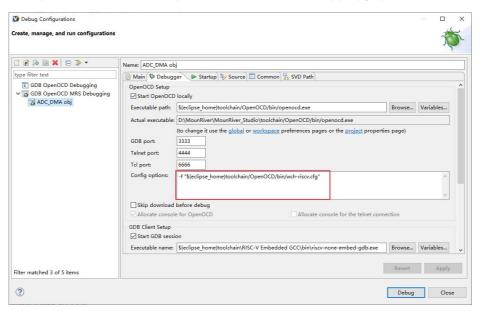
© Click Apply and Close to save the download configuration. Click on the icon in the toolbar to burn the code, and the result will be displayed in the Console.

4.2 Debug

Enter the debugging page

Way 1: Click the Debug button in the toolbar to enter the debug page directly.

Way 2: Click the arrow in the toolbar and select Debug Configurations to pop up the debug configuration page. Double-click GDB OpenOCD MRS Debugging to generate the obj file, select the obj file and click the Debug button at the bottom right corner to enter the debugging page.



② Set breakpoints

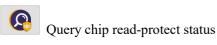
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© main.c ⋈ 🔝 startup_ch32v00x.S
 132 * @return
133 */
 1349 int main (void)
 135 {
 136
           ul6 i;
 137
 138
           Delay_Init();
  139
           USART_Printf_Init(115200);
printf("SystemClk:%d\r\n", SystemCoreClock);
 142
           ADC Function Init();
 143
  144
           DMA Tx Init(DMA1 Channell, (u32)&ADC1->RDATAR, (u32)TxBuf, 10);
  145
           DMA_Cmd(DMA1_Channell, ENABLE);
 146
147
           ADC RegularChannelConfig(ADC1, ADC Channel 2, 1, ADC SampleTime 241Cycles);
           ADC_SoftwareStartConvCmd(ADC1, ENABLE);
 149
150
           Delay Ms (50);
           ADC SoftwareStartConvCmd(ADC1, DISABLE);
 151
           for(i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    printf("%04d\r\n", TxBuf[i]);</pre>
  152⊖
  153
               Delay_Ms(10);
 155
 156
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3 Basic debug commands

- Reset: Perform a reset operation on the program.
- Run: Make the current program start running at full speed until the program stops when it meets a breakpoint.
- Terminate: Exit debugging.
- Step Into: Execute a single statement, and if a function is encountered, it will go inside the function.
- Step Over: Execute a single statement, and if it encounters a function, it will not go inside the function, but run the function at full speed and skip to the next statement.
- Step Return: Run all contents after the current function at full speed until the function returns to the previous level.
- 4 Click button, exit the debug.

4.3 Other functions

4.3.1 Set chip Read-Protect



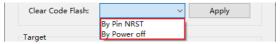


Disable chip read-protect status

4.3.2 Code Flash full erase

MounRiver Studio can erase all the user areas of the chip by controlling the hardware reset pin or by repowering the chip. To control erase by re-powering, Link is required to power the chip; to control erase by

hardware reset pin, the reset pins of the chip and Link need to be connected. (Supported by WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink only)



4.3.3 Disable 2-wire SDI

For chips other than CH32 series, code and data protection can be enabled by disabling the 2-wire SDI.

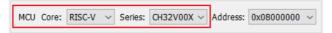


Disable the 2-wire SDI

5 WCH-LinkUtility Download

5.1 Download configuration

- ① Click the icon , connect to Link
- ② Select the chip model



3 Configuration options

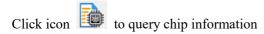


① Tick Disable MCU Code Read-Protect, disable the chip read-protect.



5.2 Other functions

5.2.1 Query chip information



Name	Value
MCU UID	17-9f-ab-cd-7f-b4-bc-48
Flash Size	16 KB
Read-Protect	
Link Version	V2.8

5.2.2 Set chip Read-Protect



Query chip read-protect status



Enable chip read-protect status



Disable chip read-protect status

5.2.3 Read chip Flash

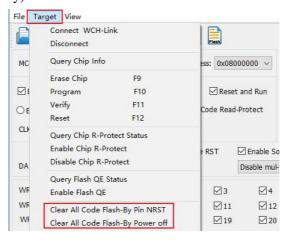




to read chip Flash

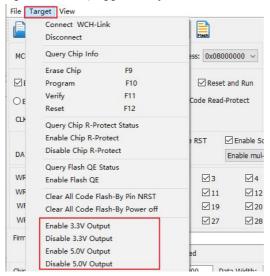
5.2.4 Code Flash full erase

The WCH-LinkUtility tool can erase all user areas of the chip by controlling the hardware reset pin or by repowering the chip. To control erase by re-powering, Link is required to power the chip; to control erase by hardware reset pin, the reset pins of the chip and Link are required to be connected. (Supported by WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink only)



5.2.5 Power output controllable

WCH-LinkUtility tool can control Link power output. Click on Target and choose to turn on/off the power supply 3.3V/5V output in the drop-down list. (Supported by WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink only)



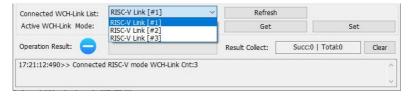
5.2.6 Automatic continuous download

Tick Auto download when WCH-Link was linked to enable automatic continuous download of the project.



5.2.7 Multi-Device Download

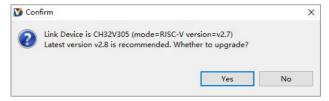
The WCH-LinkUtility tool can recognize multiple Link devices. When multiple Links are connected, the Connected WCH-Link List option box allows you to select a specific Link device for downloading.



6 Firmware update methods

6.1 MounRiver Studio online update

If the firmware needs to be updated, MounRiver Studio will have a pop-up window to remind you when you click the download button, click Yes to start the update.



6.2 WCH-LinkUtility online update

If the firmware needs to be updated, WCH-LinkUtility will have a pop-up window to remind you when you click the download button, click Yes to start the update.



Notes:

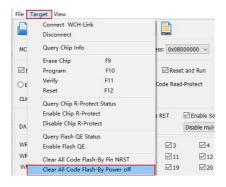
- (1) WCH-LinkE supports manual online update, the steps are as follows.
- Power up the Link after long press the IAP button until the blue LED blinks.
- MounRiver Studio/WCH-LinkUtility will have a pop-up window to remind you when you click the download button, click Yes to start the update.
- (2) If the Link firmware update is abnormal, please update the firmware by offline update.

6.3 WCH-LinkUtility offline update (2-wire approach to offline update)

Connect WCH-LinkE with Link to be updated

WCH-LinkE	Link to be updated
3V3	3V3
GND	GND
SWDIO	SWDIO
SWCLK	SWCLK

- WCH-LinkE power on, select the Link chip model to be updated (WCH-LinkE main control chip is CH32V30x, WCH-DAPLink main control chip is CH32V20x)
- To be updated Link into IAP mode (long press the IAP button to power up the Link, that is, through the USB port connected to the computer to power up)
- Click Target->Clear All Code Flash-By Power off to erase all the user area of the chip



© Click icon , diaable chip read-protect



- © Click icon , add Link offline updated firmware
- © Configuration options (Program + Verify + Reset and Run)



Notes:

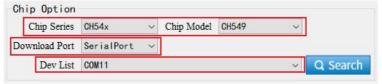
- (1) The Link to be updated is limited to WCH-LinkE and WCH-DAPLink.
- (2) Two WCH-LinkE are required for this method.
- (3) When Link enters IAP mode, the blue LED flashes.

6.4 WCHISPStudio serial port offline update

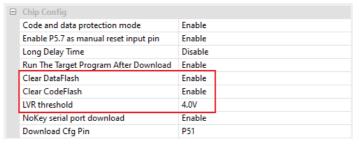
Connect WCH-Link with USB to TTL module

WCH-Link	USB to TTL module
TX	RX
RX	TX
GND	GND

- USB to TTL module power on, WCH-Link into BOOT mode (short connection J1 in Figure 1 will Link power on)
- Select chip model: CH549, download interface: serial port, device list: select the serial port number corresponding to the USB to TTL module



- Add Link offline updated firmware to target program file
- ⑤ Download configuration



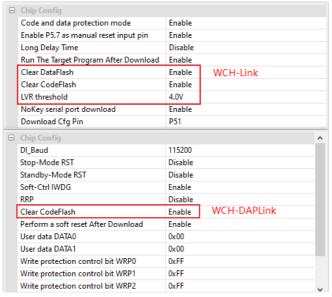
- © Click the download button
- © Click on the download and wait for the device to access the field, then plug the WCH-Link into the USB port, the ISP tool automatically began to download

Note: Serial port offline update is only supported by WCH-Link.

6.5 WCHISPStudio USB offline update

① To update the Link into BOOT mode (short connect J1 in Figure 1 or long press BOOT key and then power up the Link)

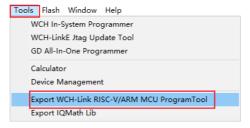
- WCHISPStudio tool will automatically pop up the adaptation window
- 3 Add Link offline upgrade firmware to the target program file
- Download configuration



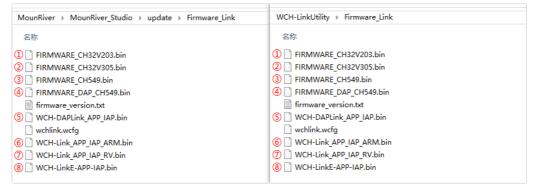
S Click the download button

Notes:

- (1) USB offline update is only supported by WCH-Link and WCH-DAPLink.
- (2) WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 and WCH-DAPLink-R0-2v0 are only available for firmware version v2.8 and above.
- (3) WCH-LinkUtility tool can be exported through MounRiver Studio software.



(4) Link offline upgrade firmware is located in the MounRiver Studio installation path and WCH-LinkUtility installation path.



- WCH-DAPLink upgrade firmware
- WCH-LinkE upgrade firmware

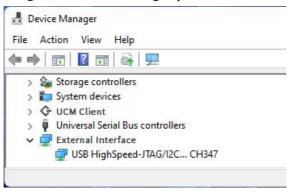
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- WCH-Link ARM mode upgrade firmware
- © WCH-DAPLink offline upgrade firmware
- © WCH-Link ARM mode offline upgrade firmware
- *© WCH-Link RISC-V mode offline upgrade firmware*
- WCH-LinkE offline upgrade firmware

7 WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG

7.1 Module overview

The WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 provides a JTAG interface that supports 4-wire connections (TMS, TCK, TDI and TDO wires) for extending the JTAG interface for computers to operate CPUs, DSPs, FPGAs, CPLDs and other devices.

Figure 3 WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG mode



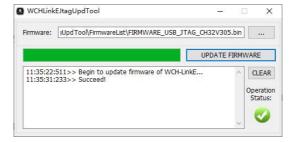
7.2 Module features

- As Host/Master host mode.
- JTAG interface provides TMS wire, TCK wire, TDI wire and TDO wire.
- Support high-speed USB data transfer.
- Flexible operation of CPU, DSP, FPGA and CPLD devices through computer API cooperation.

7.3 Module switching

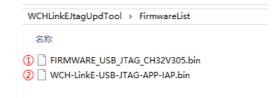
The WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 can be upgraded to high-speed JTAG mode via the WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool tool, download the steps as follows.

- WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 into IAP mode (long press the IAP button to power up the Link, i.e., connect to the computer through the USB port to power up), at this time the blue LED flashes.
- ② Open WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool tool, execute the download (WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG upgrade firmware has been automatically added).
- Firmware update is complete, at this time the blue LED is always on.



Notes.

- (1) WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool get URL: https://www.wch.cn/downloads/WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool ZIP.html
- (2) The firmware can be updated offline by WCH-LinkUtility tool, please refer to manual 6.3 WCH-LinkUtility Offline Update for details.
- (3) WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG offline update firmware is located in the WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool installation path.



- © WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG offline upgrade firmware

7.4 Download process

- In WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG mode, the Bit program file is first downloaded to the FPGA via JTAG, and the Bit file will operate the SPI controller of the FPGA to convert the JTAG data to SPI data for writing to Flash, and this step is to write the BIN file to realize its program curing process.
- Here the FPGA is Xilinx xc7a35t. Write the CFG file and use "openocd -f" to call it. Name the CFG file as usb20jtag.cfg and save it to the location of the openocd.exe file.

```
# Specify WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG debugger
adapter driver ch347
ch347 vid_pid 0x1a86 0x55dd

# Set TCK clock frequency
adapter speed 10000

# Specify TARGET, loading the JTAG-SPI driver in OpenOCD
source [find cpld/xilinx-xc7.cfg]
source [find cpld/jtagspi.cfg]

# Set IR command of TARGET
set XC7_JSHUTDOWN 0x0d
set XC7_JPROGRAM 0x0b
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set XC7_JSHUTDOWN 0x0d set XC7_JPROGRAM 0x0b set XC7_JSTART 0x0c set XC7_BYPASS 0x3f

Download process

Init

First download the Bit file to TARGET pld load 0 bscan_spi_xc7a35t.bit reset halt
Detect Flash information
flash probe 0
Download Bin file to Flash
flash write image erase test.bin 0x0 bin

Effective firmware operation irscan xc7.tap \$XC7_JSHUTDOWN irscan xc7.tap \$XC7_JPROGRAM runtest 60000

runtest 2000 irscan xc7.tap \$XC7_BYPASS runtest 2000

exit

3 Run the command: openocd.exe -f usb20jtag.cfg in Windows terminal and execute it as follows.

The download is over and the device is running normally.

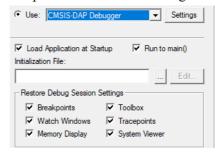
Notes.

- (1) conversion role of the Bit file, with the help of Github open source project: https://github.com/quartiq/bscan spi bitstreams
- (2) openocd.exe file location: MounRiver\MounRiver_Studio\toolchain\OpenOCD\bin

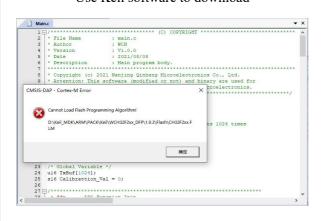
8 Typical problem statement

Solution

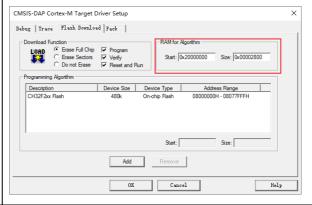
1. Please refer to manual 3.2 Download configuration to complete Keil download configuration.



Use Keil software to download



1. The RAM space size of our CH32F20x series chips is 0x2800.



Use MounRiver Studio software to download



- 1. Check whether the chip's two-wire debug interface is correctly connected to Link.
- 2. Check whether the Debug function of the chip is turned on (if not, it can be turned on through the ISP tool).
- 3. Check whether the user program inside the chip is open to sleep function and whether there is an operation of FLASHrelated functions (if open, you can enter BOOT mode and download through two lines).
- 4. Check whether the two-wire debug interface of the user program inside the chip is multiplexed as a common GPIO port (if multiplexed, you can enter BOOT mode and download through two wires).

Note:

- (1) For CH32 series chips, if the download is not successful, you can enter BOOT mode (BOOT0 to VCC, BOOT1 to GND) and download through Link.
- (2) For 3 and 4, the problem can be solved by WCH-LinkUtility tool to erase all the user area of the chip

(refer to Chapter 5of the manual for WCH-LinkUtility download). Use the WCH-LinkUtility tool to download Erase all user areas of the chip File Target View Connected WCH-Link List: RISC-V Link [#1] Connect WCH-Link Active WCH-Link Mode: WCH-LinkRV Disconnect Operation Result: Succ:0 | Total:0 Clear Result Collect: Query Chip Info ss: 0x08000000 v 14:08:14:292>> Begin to set chip type... 14:08:14:354>> Failed,the chip type is not matched or status of chip is wrong! Erase Chip ☑ E F10 Reset and Run Program F11 Verify Code Read-Protect OE F12 CLF Query Chip R-Protect Status Enable Chip R-Protect ☑ Enable So Disable Chip R-Protect DA Disable mul-Query Flash QE Status WF **V**3 **V**4 Enable Flash QE WF **☑**11 **☑** 12 Clear All Code Flash-By Pin NRST ☑ 19 **⋈**20 Clear All Code Flash-By Power off Update firmware using WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool tool 1. Analysis of the cause, may be the WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 on the Y1 crystal soldering abnormalities, After updating the firmware according to manual 7.3 Mode Switching Download Procedure, the blue LED on resulting in the crystal cannot properly start vibration. the WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 does not light up and the Therefore, you need to re-solder the Y1 crystal. Device Manager cannot recognize the device.

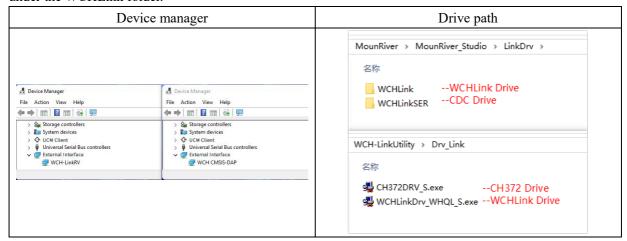
Notes:

- (1) The debugging function is not supported when the user program turns on the sleep function.
- (2) If you exit abnormally when using the debug function, it is recommended to re-plug the Link.
- (3) When using the download and debug functions of CH32F103/CH32F203/CH32V103/CH32V203/CH32V307, BOOT0 is grounded.
- (4) When using the debug function of CH569, the user code must be smaller than the configured ROM space, as shown in Table 2-2 of CH569 manual.
- (5) When using the debug function of CH32 series chip, please make sure the chip is in the read protection off state.

9 Driver installation

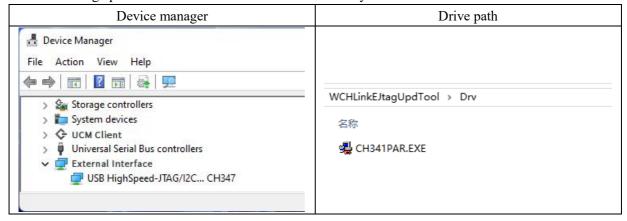
9.1 WCH-Link driver

If the driver installation fails, please open the LinkDrv folder under the installation path of MounRiver Studio or the Drv_Link folder under the installation path of WCH-LinkUtility and install it manually. SETUP.EXE under the WCHLink folder.



9.2 WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG driver

WCH-LinkE-R0-1v3 is upgraded to high-speed JTAG mode, you need to manually install the WCH-LinkE high-speed JTAG driver to use it properly. Please open the Drv folder under the installation path of WCHLinkEJtagUpdTool and install CH341PAR.EXE manually.



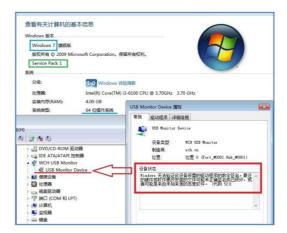
9.3 CDC driver

CDC device installation problems under WIN7.

- ① If the serial port driver is successfully installed, the following steps are not required.
- ② Confirm that the usbser.sys file is present in path B. If it is missing, copy it from path A to path B.
- Reinstall the CDC driver. (See the above table for the driver path, please install the CDC driver in the corresponding mode)



Note: If the above steps do not solve the problem, please refer to the link below



Reference: http://www.wch.cn/downloads/InstallNoteOn64BitWIN7 ZH PDF.html