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Abstract

This guide explains how to install and build applications with Sourcery CodeBench Lite, CodeSourcery's customized and validated version of the GNU Toolchain. Sourcery CodeBench Lite includes everything you need for application development, including C and C++ compilers, assemblers, linkers, and libraries.

When you have finished reading this guide, you will know how to use Sourcery CodeBench from the command line.

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Preface

This preface introduces the Sourcery CodeBench Lite Getting Started guide. It explains the structure of this guide and describes the documentation conventions used.

1. Intended Audience

This guide is written for people who will install and/or use Sourcery CodeBench Lite. This guide provides a step-by-step guide to installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite and to building simple applications. Parts of this document assume that you have some familiarity with using the command-line interface.

2. Organization

This document is organized into the following chapters and appendices:

Chapter 1, “Quick Start”	This chapter includes a brief checklist to follow when installing and using Sourcery CodeBench Lite for the first time. You may use this chapter as an abbreviated guide to the rest of this manual.
Chapter 2, “Installation and Configuration”	This chapter describes how to download, install and configure Sourcery CodeBench Lite. This section describes the available installation options and explains how to set up your environment so that you can build applications.
Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux”	This chapter contains information about using Sourcery CodeBench Lite that is specific to MIPS GNU/Linux targets. You should read this chapter to learn how to best use Sourcery CodeBench Lite on your target system.
Chapter 4, “Using Sourcery CodeBench from the Command Line”	This chapter explains how to build applications with Sourcery CodeBench Lite using the command line. In the process of reading this chapter, you will build a simple application that you can use as a model for your own programs.
Chapter 5, “Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite”	This chapter describes the use of the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for remote debugging. The Sprite is provided for debugging of the Linux kernel on the target board. This chapter includes information about the debugging devices and boards supported by the Sprite for MIPS GNU/Linux.
Chapter 6, “Next Steps with Sourcery CodeBench”	This chapter describes where you can find additional documentation and information about using Sourcery CodeBench Lite and its components. It also provides information about Sourcery CodeBench subscriptions. CodeSourcery customers with Sourcery CodeBench subscriptions receive comprehensive support for Sourcery CodeBench.
Appendix A, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite Release Notes”	This appendix contains information about changes in this release of Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux. You should read through these notes to learn about new features and bug fixes.
Appendix B, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite Licenses”	This appendix provides information about the software licenses that apply to Sourcery CodeBench Lite. Read this appendix to understand your legal rights and obligations as a user of Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

3. Typographical Conventions

The following typographical conventions are used in this guide:

<code>> command arg ...</code>	A command, typed by the user, and its output. The “>” character is the command prompt.
<code>command</code>	The name of a program, when used in a sentence, rather than in literal input or output.
<code>literal</code>	Text provided to or received from a computer program.
<code>placeholder</code>	Text that should be replaced with an appropriate value when typing a command.
<code>\</code>	At the end of a line in command or program examples, indicates that a long line of literal input or output continues onto the next line in the document.

Chapter 1

Quick Start

This chapter includes a brief checklist to follow when installing and using Sourcery CodeBench Lite for the first time. You may use this chapter as an abbreviated guide to the rest of this manual.

Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is intended for developers working on embedded GNU/Linux applications. It may also be used for Linux kernel development and debugging, or to build a GNU/Linux distribution.

Follow the steps given in this chapter to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite and build and run your first application program. The checklist given here is not a tutorial and does not include detailed instructions for each step; however, it will help guide you to find the instructions and reference information you need to accomplish each step. Note that this checklist is also oriented towards application debugging rather than kernel debugging.

You can find additional details about the components, libraries, and other features included in this version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite in Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux”.

1.1. Installation and Set-Up

Install Sourcery CodeBench Lite on your host computer. You may download an installer package from the Sourcery CodeBench web site¹, or you may have received an installer on CD. The installer is an executable program that pops up a window on your computer and leads you through a series of dialogs to configure your installation. When the installation is complete, it offers to launch the Getting Started guide. For more information about installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite, including host system requirements and tips to set up your environment after installation, refer to Chapter 2, “Installation and Configuration”.

1.2. Configuring Sourcery CodeBench Lite for the Target System

Identify your target libraries. Sourcery CodeBench Lite supports libraries optimized for different targets. Libraries are selected automatically by the linker, depending on the processor and other options you have specified. Refer to Section 3.2, “Library Configurations” for details.

Install runtime libraries on your target machine. In order to run programs built with the Sourcery CodeBench runtime libraries on target hardware, you must install these libraries, the Sourcery CodeBench dynamic linker, and other runtime support files -- collectively referred to as the *sysroot* -- on your GNU/Linux target system. Typically, this involves either using third-party tools to build a complete root filesystem including the Sourcery CodeBench sysroot, or using special commands when linking or running your program so it can find the sysroot installed in another location on the target. Refer to Section 3.5, “Using Sourcery CodeBench Lite on GNU/Linux Targets” for full discussion of these options.

1.3. Building Your Program

Build your program with Sourcery CodeBench command-line tools. Create a simple test program, and follow the directions in Chapter 4, “Using Sourcery CodeBench from the Command Line” to compile and link it using Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

1.4. Running and Debugging Your Program

The steps to run or debug your program depend on your target system and how it is configured. Choose the appropriate method for your target.

¹ <http://go.mentor.com/codebench/>

Run your program on the MIPS GNU/Linux target. To run a program using the included Sourcery CodeBench libraries, you must install the sysroot on the target, as previously discussed. Copy the executable for your program to the target system. The method you use for launching your program depends on how you have installed the libraries and built your program. In some cases, you may need to invoke the Sourcery CodeBench dynamic linker explicitly. Refer to Section 3.5, “Using Sourcery CodeBench Lite on GNU/Linux Targets” for details.

Debug your program on the target using GDB server. You can use GDB server on a remote target to debug your program. When debugging a program that uses the included Sourcery CodeBench libraries, you must use the `gdbserver` executable included in the sysroot, and similar issues with respect to the dynamic linker as discussed previously apply. See Section 3.6, “Using GDB Server for Debugging” for detailed instructions. Once you have started GDB server on the target, you can connect to it from the debugger on your host system. Refer to Section 4.3, “Running Applications from GDB” for instructions on remote debugging from command-line GDB.

Chapter 2

Installation and Configuration

This chapter explains how to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite. You will learn how to:

1. Verify that you can install Sourcery CodeBench Lite on your system.
2. Download the appropriate Sourcery CodeBench Lite installer.
3. Install Sourcery CodeBench Lite.
4. Configure your environment so that you can use Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

2.1. Terminology

Throughout this document, the term *host system* refers to the system on which you run Sourcery CodeBench while the term *target system* refers to the system on which the code produced by Sourcery CodeBench runs. The target system for this version of Sourcery CodeBench is `mips-linux-gnu`.

If you are developing a workstation or server application to run on the same system that you are using to run Sourcery CodeBench, then the host and target systems are the same. On the other hand, if you are developing an application for an embedded system, then the host and target systems are probably different.

2.2. System Requirements

2.2.1. Host Operating System Requirements

This version of Sourcery CodeBench supports the following host operating systems and architectures:

- Microsoft Windows XP (SP1), Windows Vista, and Windows 7 systems using IA32, AMD64, and Intel 64 processors.
- GNU/Linux systems using IA32, AMD64, or Intel 64 processors, including Debian 5 (and later), Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5 (and later), SuSE Enterprise Linux 10 (and later), and Ubuntu 8.04 (and later).

Sourcery CodeBench is built as a 32-bit application. Therefore, even when running on a 64-bit host system, Sourcery CodeBench requires 32-bit host libraries. If these libraries are not already installed on your system, you must install them before installing and using Sourcery CodeBench Lite. Consult your operating system documentation for more information about obtaining these libraries.

Installing on Ubuntu and Debian GNU/Linux Hosts

The Sourcery CodeBench graphical installer is incompatible with the `dash` shell, which is the default `/bin/sh` for recent releases of the Ubuntu and Debian GNU/Linux distributions. To install Sourcery CodeBench Lite on these systems, you must make `/bin/sh` a symbolic link to one of the supported shells: `bash`, `csh`, `tcsh`, `zsh`, or `ksh`.

For example, on Ubuntu systems, the recommended way to do this is:

```
> sudo dpkg-reconfigure -pnow dash
Install as /bin/sh? No
```

This is a limitation of the installer and uninstaller only, not of the installed Sourcery CodeBench Lite toolchain.

2.2.2. Host Hardware Requirements

The amount of disk space required for a complete Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation directory depends on the host operating system and the number of target libraries included. When you start the graphical installer, it checks whether there is sufficient disk space before beginning to install. Note that the graphical installer also requires additional temporary disk space during the installation process. On Microsoft Windows hosts, the installer uses the location specified by the `TEMP` environment variable for these temporary files. If there is not enough free space on that volume, the installer prompts for an alternate location. On Linux hosts, the installer puts temporary files in the directory specified by the `IATEMPDIR` environment variable, or `/tmp` if that is not set.

2.2.3. Target System Requirements

See Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux” for requirements that apply to the target system.

2.3. Downloading an Installer

If you have received Sourcery CodeBench Lite on a CD, or other physical media, then you do not need to download an installer. You may skip ahead to Section 2.4, “Installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite”.

You can download Sourcery CodeBench Lite from the Sourcery CodeBench web site¹. This free version of Sourcery CodeBench, which is made available to the general public, does not include all the functionality of CodeSourcery's product releases. If you prefer, you may instead purchase or register for an evaluation of CodeSourcery's product toolchains at the Sourcery CodeBench Portal².

Once you have navigated to the appropriate web site, download the installer that corresponds to your host operating system. For Microsoft Windows systems, the Sourcery CodeBench installer is provided as an executable with the `.exe` extension. For GNU/Linux systems Sourcery CodeBench Lite is provided as an executable installer package with the `.bin` extension. You may also install from a compressed archive with the `.tar.bz2` extension.

On Microsoft Windows systems, save the installer to the desktop. On GNU/Linux systems, save the download package in your home directory.

2.4. Installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite

The method used to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite depends on your host system and the kind of installation package you have downloaded.

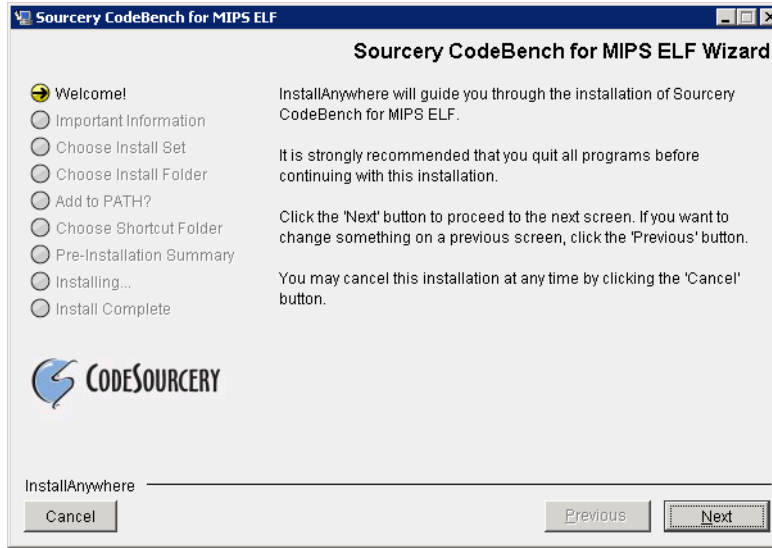
2.4.1. Using the Sourcery CodeBench Lite Installer on Microsoft Windows

If you have received Sourcery CodeBench Lite on CD, insert the CD in your computer. On most computers, the installer then starts automatically. If your computer has been configured not to automatically run CDs, open `My Computer`, and double click on the CD. If you downloaded Sourcery CodeBench Lite, double-click on the installer.

After the installer starts, follow the on-screen dialogs to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite. The installer is intended to be self-explanatory and on most pages the defaults are appropriate.

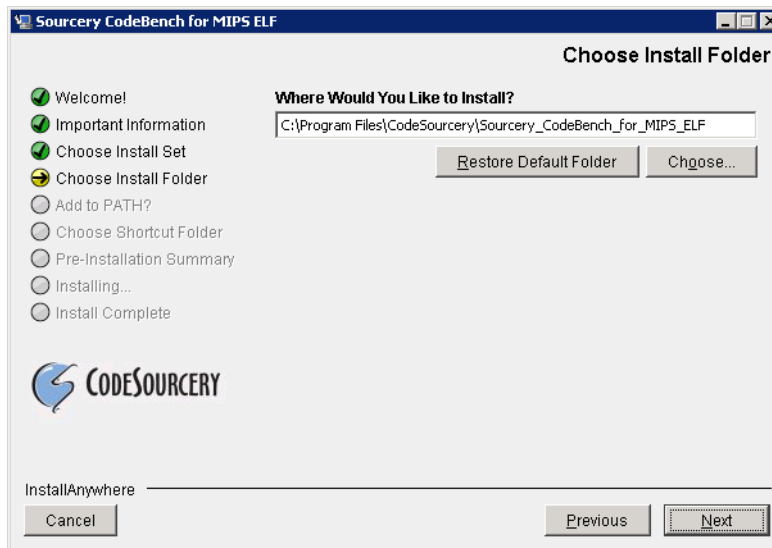
¹ <http://go.mentor.com/codebench/>

² <https://sourcery.mentor.com/GNUToolchain/>

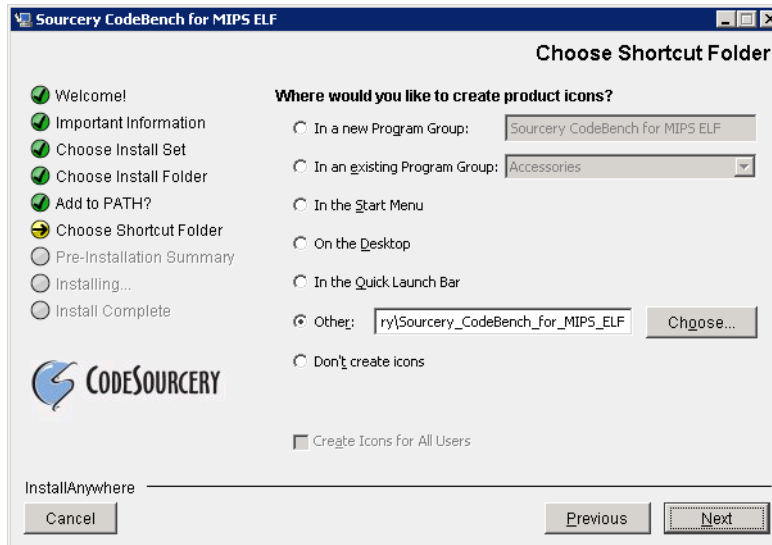


Running the Installer. The graphical installer guides you through the steps to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

You may want to change the install directory pathname and customize the shortcut installation.

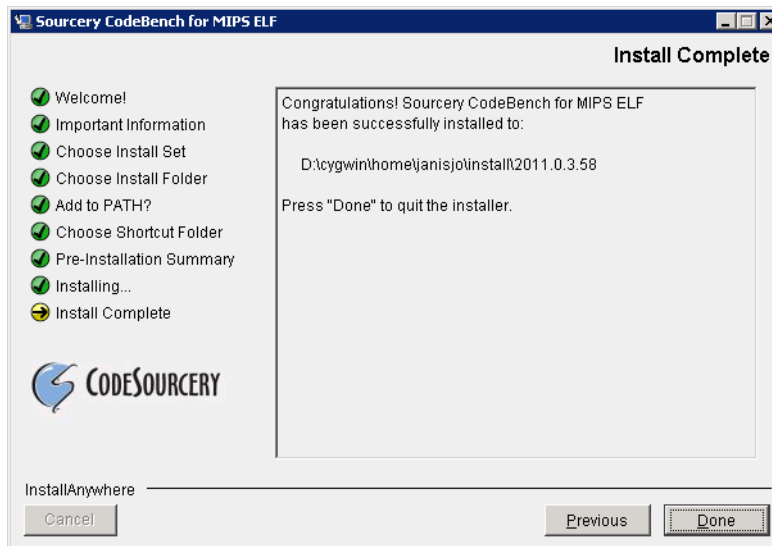


Choose Install Folder. Select the pathname to your install directory.



Choose Shortcut Folder. You can customize where the installer creates shortcuts for quick access to Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

When the installer has finished, it asks if you want to launch a viewer for the Getting Started guide. Finally, the installer displays a summary screen to confirm a successful install before it exits.



Install Complete. You should see a screen similar to this after a successful install.

If you prefer, you can run the installer in console mode rather than using the graphical interface. To do this, invoke the installer with the `-i console` command-line option. For example:

```
> /path/to/package.exe -i console
```

2.4.2. Using the Sourcery CodeBench Lite Installer on GNU/Linux Hosts

Start the graphical installer by invoking the executable shell script:

```
> /bin/sh ./path/to/package.bin
```

After the installer starts, follow the on-screen dialogs to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite. For additional details on running the installer, see the discussion and screen shots in the Microsoft Windows section above.

If you prefer, or if your host system does not run the X Window System, you can run the installer in console mode rather than using the graphical interface. To do this, invoke the installer with the `-i console` command-line option. For example:

```
> /bin/sh ./path/to/package.bin -i console
```

2.4.3. Installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite from a Compressed Archive

You do not need to be a system administrator to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite from a compressed archive. You may install Sourcery CodeBench Lite using any user account and in any directory to which you have write access. This guide assumes that you have decided to install Sourcery CodeBench Lite in the `$HOME/CodeSourcery` subdirectory of your home directory and that the filename of the package you have downloaded is `/path/to/package.tar.bz2`. After installation the toolchain will be in `$HOME/CodeSourcery/sourceryg++-2013.05`.

First, uncompress the package file:

```
> bunzip2 /path/to/package.tar.bz2
```

Next, create the directory in which you wish to install the package:

```
> mkdir -p $HOME/CodeSourcery
```

Change to the installation directory:

```
> cd $HOME/CodeSourcery
```

Unpack the package:

```
> tar xf /path/to/package.tar
```

2.5. Installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite Updates

If you have already installed an earlier version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux on your system, it is not necessary to uninstall it before using the installer to unpack a new version in the same location. The installer detects that it is performing an update in that case.

If you are installing an update from a compressed archive, it is recommended that you remove any previous installation in the same location, or install in a different directory.

Note that the names of the Sourcery CodeBench commands for the MIPS GNU/Linux target all begin with `mips-linux-gnu`. This means that you can install Sourcery CodeBench for multiple target systems in the same directory without conflicts.

2.6. Setting up the Environment

As with the installation process itself, the steps required to set up your environment depend on your host operating system.

2.6.1. Setting up the Environment on Microsoft Windows Hosts

2.6.1.1. Setting the PATH

The graphical installer for Sourcery CodeBench Lite does this setup for you, however it may not take effect until you next log in.

In order to use the Sourcery CodeBench tools from the command line, you should add them to your PATH. In the instructions that follow, replace *installdir* with the full pathname of your Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation directory, including the drive letter.

To set the PATH on a Microsoft Windows Vista system, use the following command in a `cmd.exe` shell:

```
> setx PATH "%PATH%;installdir\bin"
```

To set the PATH on a system running Microsoft Windows 7, from the desktop bring up the Start menu and right click on Computer. Select Properties and click on Advanced system settings. Go to the Advanced tab, then click on the Environment Variables button. Select the PATH variable and click Edit. Add the string `;installdir\bin` to the end, and click OK.

To set the PATH on older versions of Microsoft Windows, from the desktop bring up the Start menu and right click on My Computer. Select Properties, go to the Advanced tab, then click on the Environment Variables button. Select the PATH variable and click the Edit. Add the string `;installdir\bin` to the end, and click OK.

You can verify that your PATH is set up correctly by starting a new `cmd.exe` shell and running:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-gcc -v
```

Verify that the last line of the output contains: Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2013.05-36.

2.6.1.2. Working with Cygwin

Sourcery CodeBench Lite does not require Cygwin or any other UNIX emulation environment. You can use Sourcery CodeBench directly from the Windows command shell. You can also use Sourcery CodeBench from within the Cygwin environment, if you prefer.

The Cygwin emulation environment translates Windows path names into UNIX path names. For example, the Cygwin path `/home/user/hello.c` corresponds to the Windows path `c:\cygwin\home\user\hello.c`. Because Sourcery CodeBench is not a Cygwin application, it does not, by default, recognize Cygwin paths.

If you are using Sourcery CodeBench from Cygwin, you should set the `CYGPATH` environment variable. If this environment variable is set, Sourcery CodeBench Lite automatically translates Cygwin path names into Windows path names. To set this environment variable, type the following command in a Cygwin shell:

```
> export CYGPATH=cygpath
```

To resolve Cygwin path names, Sourcery CodeBench relies on the `cygpath` utility provided with Cygwin. You must provide Sourcery CodeBench with the full path to `cygpath` if `cygpath` is not in your PATH. For example:

```
> export CYGPATH=c:/cygwin/bin/cygpath
```


directs Sourcery CodeBench Lite to use `c:/cygwin/bin/cygpath` as the path conversion utility. The value of `CYGPATH` must be an ordinary Windows path, not a Cygwin path.

2.6.2. Setting up the Environment on GNU/Linux Hosts

The graphical installer for Sourcery CodeBench Lite does this setup for you, however it may not take effect until you next log in.

Before using Sourcery CodeBench Lite you should add it to your `PATH`. The command you must use varies with the particular command shell that you are using. If you are using the C Shell (`csh` or `tcsh`), use the command:

```
> setenv PATH installdir/bin:$PATH
```

If you are using Bourne Shell (`sh`), the Korn Shell (`ksh`), or another shell, use:

```
> PATH=installdir/bin:$PATH
> export PATH
```

If you are not sure which shell you are using, try both commands. In both cases, replace *installdir* with the full pathname of your Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation directory.

You may also wish to set the `MANPATH` environment variable so that you can access the Sourcery CodeBench manual pages, which provide additional information about using Sourcery CodeBench. To set the `MANPATH` environment variable, follow the same steps shown above, replacing `PATH` with `MANPATH`, and `bin` with `share/doc/mips-mips-linux-gnu/man`.

You can test that your `PATH` is set up correctly by running the following command:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-gcc -v
```

Verify that the last line of the output contains: `Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2013.05-36`.

2.7. Uninstalling Sourcery CodeBench Lite

The method used to uninstall Sourcery CodeBench Lite depends on the method you originally used to install it. If you have modified any files in the installation it is recommended that you back up these changes. The uninstall procedure may remove the files you have altered. In particular, the `mips-linux-gnu` directory located in the install directory will be removed entirely by the uninstaller.

2.7.1. Using the Sourcery CodeBench Lite Uninstaller on Microsoft Windows

You should use the provided uninstaller to remove a Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation originally created by the graphical installer. Start the graphical uninstaller by invoking the Uninstall executable located in your installation directory, or use the uninstall shortcut created during installation. After the uninstaller starts, follow the on-screen dialogs to uninstall Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

You can run the uninstaller in console mode, rather than using the graphical interface, by invoking the Uninstall executable found in your Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation directory with the `-i console` command-line option.

To uninstall third-party drivers bundled with Sourcery CodeBench Lite, first disconnect the associated hardware device. Then use `Uninstall a program` (Vista and newer) or `Add or Remove`

Programs (older versions of Windows) to remove the drivers separately. Depending on the device, you may need to reboot your computer to complete the driver uninstall.

2.7.2. Using the Sourcery CodeBench Lite Uninstaller on GNU/Linux

You should use the provided uninstaller to remove a Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation originally created by the executable installer script. Start the graphical uninstaller by invoking the executable Uninstall shell script located in your installation directory. After the uninstaller starts, follow the on-screen dialogs to uninstall Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

You can run the uninstaller in console mode, rather than using the graphical interface, by invoking the Uninstall script with the `-i console` command-line option.

2.7.3. Uninstalling a Compressed Archive Installation

If you installed Sourcery CodeBench Lite from a `.tar.bz2` file, you can uninstall it by manually deleting the installation directory created in the install procedure.

Chapter 3

Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux

This chapter contains information about features of Sourcery CodeBench Lite that are specific to MIPS GNU/Linux targets. You should read this chapter to learn how to best use Sourcery CodeBench Lite on your target system.

3.1. Included Components and Features

This section briefly lists the important components and features included in Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux, and tells you where you may find further information about these features.

Component	Version	Notes
GNU programming tools		
GNU Compiler Collection	4.7.3	Separate manual included.
GNU Binary Utilities	2.23.52	Includes assembler, linker, and other utilities. Separate manuals included.
Debugging support and simulators		
GNU Debugger	7.4.50	Separate manual included.
Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite	2013.05-36	Provided for kernel debugging only. See Chapter 5, “Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite”.
GDB Server	N/A	Included with GDB. See Section 3.6, “Using GDB Server for Debugging”.
Target libraries		
GNU C Library	2.17	Separate manual included.
uClibc C Library	0.9.30	
Linux Kernel Headers	3.8.2	
Other utilities		
GNU Make	N/A	Build support on Windows hosts.
GNU Core Utilities	N/A	Build support on Windows hosts.

3.2. Library Configurations

Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux includes the following library configuration.

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, O32	
Command-line option(s):	default
Sysroot subdirectory:	./
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS64 revision 2 - Big-Endian, N64	
Command-line option(s):	-mabi=64
Sysroot subdirectory:	./
Library subdirectories:	lib64/ and usr/lib64/
Dynamic linker:	lib64/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, O32	
Command-line option(s):	-EL
Sysroot subdirectory:	el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS64 revision 2 - Little-Endian, N64	
Command-line option(s):	-EL -mabi=64
Sysroot subdirectory:	el/
Library subdirectories:	lib64/ and usr/lib64/
Dynamic linker:	lib64/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, Soft-Float, O32	
Command-line option(s):	-msoft-float
Sysroot subdirectory:	soft-float/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS64 revision 2 - Big-Endian, Soft-Float, N64	
Command-line option(s):	-msoft-float -mabi=64
Sysroot subdirectory:	soft-float/
Library subdirectories:	lib64/ and usr/lib64/
Dynamic linker:	lib64/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, Soft-Float, O32	
Command-line option(s):	-EL -msoft-float
Sysroot subdirectory:	soft-float/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS64 revision 2 - Little-Endian, Soft-Float, N64	
Command-line option(s):	-EL -msoft-float -mabi=64
Sysroot subdirectory:	soft-float/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib64/ and usr/lib64/
Dynamic linker:	lib64/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32	
Command-line option(s):	-mnan2008
Sysroot subdirectory:	nan2008/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld-linux-mipsn8.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32	
Command-line option(s):	-EL -mnan2008
Sysroot subdirectory:	nan2008/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld-linux-mipsn8.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, O32, microMIPS	
Command-line option(s):	-mmicromips
Sysroot subdirectory:	micromips/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, O32, microMIPS	
Command-line option(s):	-mmicromips -EL
Sysroot subdirectory:	micromips/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, Soft-Float, O32, microMIPS	
Command-line option(s):	-mmicromips -msoft-float
Sysroot subdirectory:	micromips/soft-float/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, Soft-Float, O32, microMIPS	
Command-line option(s):	-mmicromips -EL -msoft-float
Sysroot subdirectory:	micromips/soft-float/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	-mips16
Sysroot subdirectory:	mips16/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	-mips16 -EL
Sysroot subdirectory:	mips16/el/
Library subdirectories:	lib/ and usr/lib/
Dynamic linker:	lib/ld.so.1

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, Soft-Float, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-mips16 -msoft-float</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>mips16/soft-float/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld.so.1</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, Soft-Float, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-mips16 -EL -msoft-float</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>mips16/soft-float/el/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld.so.1</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - Big-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-mips16 -mnan2008</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>mips16/nan2008/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-linux-mipsn8.so.1</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - Little-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32, MIPS16	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-mips16 -EL -mnan2008</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>mips16/nan2008/el/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-linux-mipsn8.so.1</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Big-Endian, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc.so.0</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Little-Endian, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc -EL</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/el/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc.so.0</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Big-Endian, Soft-Float, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc -msoft-float</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/soft-float/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc.so.0</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Little-Endian, Soft-Float, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc -EL -msoft-float</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/soft-float/el/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc.so.0</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Big-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc -mnan2008</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/nan2008/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc-mipsn8.so.0</code>

MIPS32 revision 2 - uClibc, Little-Endian, 2008 NaN, O32	
Command-line option(s):	<code>-muclibc -EL -mnan2008</code>
Sysroot subdirectory:	<code>uclibc/nan2008/el/</code>
Library subdirectories:	<code>lib/</code> and <code>usr/lib/</code>
Dynamic linker:	<code>lib/ld-uClibc-mipsn8.so.0</code>

Sourcery CodeBench includes copies of run-time libraries that have been built with optimizations for different target architecture variants or other sets of build options. Each such set of libraries is referred to as a *multilib*. When you link a target application, Sourcery CodeBench selects the multilib matching the build options you have selected.

Each multilib corresponds to a *sysroot* directory which contains the files that should be installed on the target system. The sysroot contains the dynamic linker used to run your applications on the target as well as the libraries. Refer to Section 3.5, “Using Sourcery CodeBench Lite on GNU/Linux Targets” for instructions on how to install and use these support files on your target GNU/Linux system. You can find the sysroot directories provided with Sourcery CodeBench in the `mips-linux-gnu/libc` directory of your installation. In the tables below, the dynamic linker pathname is given relative to the corresponding sysroot.

3.3. Target Architectures

By default, Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux generates code for MIPS32r2 processors. If you wish to generate code for another MIPS processor, you must use an appropriate `-march` option when you build your application. Refer to the GCC manual for additional information about supported targets.

3.4. Target Kernel Requirements

The GNU C library supplied with this version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite requires that Linux kernel version 2.6.16 or later be installed on the target in order to run applications.

To support hardware watchpoints with `gdbserver`, Linux 2.6.28 or later is required.

3.5. Using Sourcery CodeBench Lite on GNU/Linux Targets

In order to run and debug programs produced by Sourcery CodeBench on a GNU/Linux target, you must install runtime support files on the target. You may also need to set appropriate build options so that your executables can find the correct dynamic linker and libraries at runtime.

The runtime support files, referred to as the *sysroot*, are found in the `mips-linux-gnu/libc` directory of your Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation. The *sysroot* consists of the contents of the `etc`, `lib`, `sbin`, and `usr` directories. There may be other directories in `mips-linux-gnu/libc` that contain additional *sysroots* customized for particular combinations of command-line compiler flags, or *multilibs*. Refer to Section 3.2, “Library Configurations” for a list of the included *multilibs* in this version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite, and the corresponding *sysroot* directory pathnames.

Note for Windows Host Users

The *sysroots* provided in Windows host packages for Sourcery CodeBench are not directly usable on the GNU/Linux target because of differences between the Windows and GNU/Linux file systems. Some files that are hard links, or copies, in the *sysroot* as installed on the Windows file system should be symbolic links on the GNU/Linux target. Additionally, some files in the *sysroot* that should be marked executable on the GNU/Linux target are not marked executable on Windows. If you intend to use the *sysroot* provided with Sourcery CodeBench on a Windows host system as the basis for your GNU/Linux target filesystem, you must correct these issues after copying the *sysroot* to the target.

You have these choices for installing the *sysroot* on the target:

- You can install the files in the filesystem root on the target (that is, installing the files directly in `/etc/`, `/lib/`, and so on). All applications on the target then automatically use the Sourcery CodeBench libraries. This method is primarily useful when you are building a GNU/Linux root filesystem from scratch. If your target board already has a GNU/Linux filesystem installed, overwriting the existing C library files is not recommended, as this may break other applications on your system, or cause it to fail to boot.
- You can install the *sysroot* in an alternate location and build your application with the `-rpath` and `--dynamic-linker` linker options to specify the *sysroot* location.
- You can install the *sysroot* in an alternate location and explicitly invoke your application through the dynamic linker to specify the *sysroot* location. If you are just getting started with Sourcery CodeBench Lite, this may be the easiest way to get your application running, but this method does not support use of the debugger. In addition, this method only works with programs linked with the GNU C Library (glibc), not uClibc.

Setting the environment variable `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` on the target is not sufficient, since executables produced by Sourcery CodeBench depend on the Sourcery CodeBench dynamic linker included in the *sysroot* as well as the Sourcery CodeBench runtime libraries.

3.5.1. Installing the Sysroot

If you are modifying an existing system, rather than creating a new system from scratch, you should place the *sysroot* files in a new directory, rather than in the root directory of your target system.

If you choose to overwrite your existing C library, you may not be able to boot your system. You should back up your existing system before overwriting the C library and ensure that you can restore the backup even with your system offline.

The next step is to identify the correct sysroot subdirectory in the Sourcery CodeBench Lite install directory on your host system. The sysroot you copy to the target must be the one that corresponds to the linker options you are using to build your applications. The tables in Section 3.2, “Library Configurations” tell you which sysroot subdirectories correspond to which sets of command-line options. From the command line, you can identify the appropriate sysroot for your program by invoking the compiler with `-print-sysroot` added to your other build options. This causes GCC to print the host sysroot pathname and exit.

The mechanism you use for copying the sysroot to your target board depends on its hardware and software configuration. You may be able to use FTP or SSH with a server already running on your target. If your target board does not have networking configured, you may be able to copy files using an SD card or USB memory stick, or via a file transfer utility over a serial line. The instructions that come with your board may include specific suggestions.

When running Sourcery CodeBench on a GNU/Linux host, as an alternative to copying files to the target system, you may be able to NFS-mount the Sourcery CodeBench Lite installation directory from your host system on the target system. It is especially convenient for debugging if you can make the sysroot pathname on the target system be identical to that on the GNU/Linux host system; refer to Section 3.6.3, “Setting the Sysroot in the Debugger” for further discussion of this issue.

Otherwise, you must copy files from the appropriate sysroot subdirectory in the `mips-linux-gnu/libc` directory of your Sourcery CodeBench Lite install to the target system. In many cases, you do not need to copy all of the files in the sysroot. For example, the `usr/include` subdirectory contains files that are only needed if you will actually be running the compiler on your target system. You do not need these files for non-native compilers. You also do not need any `.o` or `.a` files; these are used by the compiler when linking programs, but are not needed to run programs. You should definitely copy all `.so` files and the executable files in `usr/bin` and `sbin`.

3.5.2. Using Linker Options to Specify the Sysroot Location

If you have installed the sysroot on the target in a location other than the file system root, you can use the `-rpath` and `--dynamic-linker` linker options to specify the sysroot location.

If you are using Sourcery CodeBench from the command line, follow these steps:

1. First find the correct sysroot, dynamic linker, and library subdirectory for your selected multilib. Refer to Section 3.2, “Library Configurations”. In the following steps, *sysroot* is the absolute path to the directory on the target where you have installed the sysroot corresponding to your selected multilib. *libsubdir* specifies the library subdirectories relative to the sysroot. *ldso* is the filename of the dynamic linker inside the respective *libsubdir*.
2. When invoking `mips-linux-gnu-gcc` to link your executable, include the command-line options:

```
-Wl,-rpath=sysroot/libsubdir:sysroot/usr/libsubdir \  
-Wl,--dynamic-linker=sysroot/libsubdir/ldso
```

For the default multilib, this becomes:

```
-Wl,-rpath=sysroot/lib:sysroot/usr/lib \  
-Wl,--dynamic-linker=sysroot/lib/ld.so.1
```

3. Copy the executable to the target and execute it normally.

Note that if you specify an incorrect path for `--dynamic-linker`, the common failure mode seen when running your application on the target is similar to

```
> ./factorial
./factorial: No such file or directory
```

or

```
> ./factorial
./factorial: bad ELF interpreter: No such file or directory
```

This can be quite confusing since it appears from the error message as if it is the `./factorial` executable that is missing rather than the dynamic linker it references.

3.5.3. Specifying the Sysroot Location at Runtime

You can invoke the Sourcery CodeBench dynamic linker on the target to run your application without having to compile it with specific linker options. Note that this method of specifying the sysroot is specific to the GNU C Library (glibc) and does not work if you have linked your application with uClibc instead.

To do this, follow these steps:

1. Build your application on the host, without any additional linker options, and copy the executable to your target system.
2. First find the correct sysroot, dynamic linker, and library subdirectory for your selected multilib. Refer to Section 3.2, “Library Configurations”. In the following steps, *sysroot* is the absolute path to the directory on the target where you have installed the sysroot corresponding to your selected multilib. *libsubdir* specifies the library subdirectories relative to the sysroot. *ldso* is the filename of the dynamic linker inside the respective *libsubdir*.
3. On the target system, invoke the dynamic linker with your executable as:

```
> sysroot/libsubdir/ldso \
  --library-path sysroot/libsubdir:sysroot/usr/libsubdir \
  /path/to/your-executable
```

For the default multilib, this becomes:

```
> sysroot/lib/ld.so.1 \
  --library-path sysroot/lib:sysroot/usr/lib \
  /path/to/your-executable
```

Invoking the linker in this manner requires that you provide either an absolute pathname to your executable, or a relative pathname prefixed with `./`. Specifying only the name of a file in the current directory does not work.

3.6. Using GDB Server for Debugging

The GDB server utility provided with Sourcery CodeBench Lite can be used to debug a GNU/Linux application. While Sourcery CodeBench runs on your host system, `gdbserver` and the target ap-

plication run on your target system. Even though Sourcery CodeBench and your application run on different systems, the debugging experience when using `gdbserver` is very similar to debugging a native application.

3.6.1. Running GDB Server

The GDB server executables are included in the `sysroot` in ABI-specific subdirectories of `sysroot/usr`. Use the executable from the `sysroot` and library subdirectory that match your program. See Section 3.2, “Library Configurations” for details.

You must copy the `sysroot` to your target system as described in Section 3.5.1, “Installing the Sysroot”. You must also copy the executable you want to debug to your target system.

If you have installed the `sysroot` in the root directory of the filesystem on the target, you can invoke `gdbserver` as:

```
> gdbserver :10000 program arg1 arg2 ...
```

where `program` is the path to the program you want to debug and `arg1 arg2 ...` are the arguments you want to pass to it. The `:10000` argument indicates that `gdbserver` should listen for connections from GDB on port 10000. You can use a different port, if you prefer.

If you have installed the `sysroot` in an alternate directory, invoking `gdbserver` becomes more complicated. You must build your application using the link-time options to specify the location of the `sysroot`, as described in Section 3.5.2, “Using Linker Options to Specify the Sysroot Location”. You must also invoke `gdbserver` itself using the dynamic linker provided in the Sourcery CodeBench `sysroot`, as described in Section 3.5.3, “Specifying the Sysroot Location at Runtime”. In other words, the command to invoke `gdbserver` in this case would be similar to:

```
> sysroot/libsubdir/ldso \
  --library-path sysroot/libsubdir:sysroot/usr/libsubdir \
  sysroot/usr/libsubdir/bin/gdbserver :10000 \
  program arg1 arg2 ...
```

For the default multilib, this becomes:

```
> sysroot/lib/ld.so.1 \
  --library-path sysroot/lib:sysroot/usr/lib \
  sysroot/usr/lib/bin/gdbserver :10000 \
  program arg1 arg2 ...
```

3.6.2. Connecting to GDB Server from the Debugger

You can connect to GDB server by using the following command from within GDB:

```
(gdb) target remote target:10000
```

where `target` is the host name or IP address of your target system.

When your program exits, `gdbserver` exits too. If you want to debug the program again, you must restart `gdbserver` on the target. Then, in GDB, reissue the `target` command shown above.

3.6.3. Setting the Sysroot in the Debugger

In order to debug shared libraries, GDB needs to map the pathnames of shared libraries on the target to the pathnames of equivalent files on the host system. Debugging of multi-threaded applications also depends on correctly locating copies of the libraries provided in the sysroot on the host system.

In some situations, the target pathnames are valid on the host system. Otherwise, you must tell GDB how to map target pathnames onto the equivalent host pathnames.

In the general case, there are two GDB commands required to set up the mapping:

```
(gdb) set sysroot-on-target target-pathname
(gdb) set sysroot host-pathname
```

This causes GDB to replace all instances of the *target-pathname* prefix in shared library pathnames reported by the target with *host-pathname* to get the location of the equivalent library on the host.

If you have installed the sysroot in the root filesystem on the target, you can omit the `set sysroot-on-target` command, and use only `set sysroot` to specify the location on the host system.

Refer to Section 3.5.1, “Installing the Sysroot” for more information about installing the sysroot on the target. Note that if you have installed a stripped copy of the provided libraries on the target, you should give GDB the location of an unstripped copy on the host.

Chapter 4

Using Sourcery CodeBench from the Command Line

This chapter demonstrates the use of Sourcery CodeBench Lite from the command line.

4.1. Building an Application

This chapter explains how to build an application with Sourcery CodeBench Lite using the command line. As elsewhere in this manual, this section assumes that your target system is `mips-linux-gnu`, as indicated by the `mips-linux-gnu` command prefix.

Using an editor (such as `notepad` on Microsoft Windows or `vi` on UNIX-like systems), create a file named `main.c` containing the following simple factorial program:

```
#include <stdio.h>

int factorial(int n) {
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    return n * factorial (n - 1);
}

int main () {
    int i;
    int n;
    for (i = 0; i < 10; ++i) {
        n = factorial (i);
        printf ("factorial(%d) = %d\n", i, n);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Compile and link this program using the command:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-gcc -o factorial main.c
```

There should be no output from the compiler. (If you are building a C++ application, instead of a C application, replace `mips-linux-gnu-gcc` with `mips-linux-gnu-g++`.)

4.2. Running Applications on the Target System

You may need to install the Sourcery CodeBench runtime libraries and dynamic linker on the target system before you can run your application. Refer to Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux” for specific instructions.

To run your program on a GNU/Linux target system, use the command:

```
> factorial
```

You should see:

```
factorial(0) = 1
factorial(1) = 1
factorial(2) = 2
factorial(3) = 6
factorial(4) = 24
factorial(5) = 120
factorial(6) = 720
factorial(7) = 5040
```

```
factorial(8) = 40320  
factorial(9) = 362880
```

4.3. Running Applications from GDB

You can run GDB, the GNU Debugger, on your host system to debug programs running remotely on a target board or system.

When starting GDB, give it the pathname to the program you want to debug as a command-line argument. For example, if you have built the factorial program as described in Section 4.1, “Building an Application”, enter:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-gdb factorial
```

While this section explains the alternatives for using GDB to run and debug application programs, explaining the use of the GDB command-line interface is beyond the scope of this document. Please refer to the GDB manual for further instructions.

4.3.1. Connecting to the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite

The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite is a program that runs on the host system to support hardware debugging devices. You can use the Debug Sprite to run and debug programs on a target board without an operating system, or to debug an operating system kernel. See Chapter 5, “Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite” for detailed information about the supported devices.

You can start the Sprite directly from within GDB:

```
(gdb) target remote | mips-linux-gnu-sprite arguments
```

Refer to Section 5.2, “Invoking Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite” for a full description of the Sprite arguments.

4.3.2. Connecting to an External GDB Server

Sourcery CodeBench Lite includes a program called `gdbserver` that can be used to debug a program running on a remote MIPS GNU/Linux target. Follow the instructions in Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux” to install and run `gdbserver` on your target system.

From within GDB, you can connect to a running `gdbserver` or other debugging stub that uses the GDB remote protocol using:

```
(gdb) target remote host:port
```

where *host* is the host name or IP address of the machine the stub is running on, and *port* is the port number it is listening on for TCP connections.

Chapter 5

Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite

This chapter describes the use of the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for remote debugging. The Sprite is provided for debugging of the Linux kernel on the target board. This chapter includes information about the debugging devices and boards supported by the Sprite for MIPS GNU/Linux.

Sourcery CodeBench Lite contains the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for MIPS GNU/Linux. This Sprite is provided to allow debugging of programs running on a bare board. You can use the Sprite to debug a program when there is no operating system on the board, or for debugging the operating system itself. If the board is running an operating system, and you wish to debug a program running on that OS, you should use the facilities provided by the OS itself (for instance, using `gdbserver`).

The Sprite acts as an interface between GDB and external debug devices and libraries. Refer to Section 5.2, “Invoking Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite” for information about the specific devices supported by this version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite.

Note for Linux users

The Debug Sprite provided with Sourcery CodeBench Lite allows remote debugging of the Linux kernel running on the target. For remote debugging of application programs, you should use `gdbserver` instead. See Chapter 3, “Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux” for details about how to install and run `gdbserver` on the target.

Important

The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite is not part of the GNU Debugger and is not free or open-source software. You may use the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite only with the GNU Debugger. You may not distribute the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite to any third party.

5.1. Probing for Debug Devices

Before running the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for the first time, or when attaching new debug devices to your host system, it is helpful to verify that the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite recognizes your debug hardware. From the command line, invoke the Sprite with the `-i` option:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-sprite -i
```

This prints out a list of supported device types. For devices that can be autodetected, it additionally probes for and prints out a list of attached devices. For instance:

```
Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for MIPS (Sourcery CodeBench Lite \
2013.05-36)
mdi: [lib=<file>&cfg=<file>&rst=<n>] MDI device
mdi:///23/1 - 24KE      (Instruction)/24KE LE
mdi:///23/2 - 24KE      (Instruction)/24KE BE
mdi:///24/1 - 24KE      (Cycle)/24KE LE
mdi:///24/2 - 24KE      (Cycle)/24KE BE
mdi://$Target/$Device - Generic MDI target/device
```

This shows that MDI (Microprocessor Debug Interface) devices are supported. Four MIPSsim devices have been autodetected. Note that additional configuration steps for the MDI library are required to allow the Sprite to autodetect devices; see Section 5.4, “MDI Devices”.

5.2. Invoking Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite

The Debug Sprite is invoked as follows:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-sprite [options] device-url board-file
```

The *device-url* specifies the debug device to use to communicate with the board. It follows the standard format:

```
scheme:scheme-specific-part[?device-options]
```

Most device URL schemes also follow the regular format:

```
scheme: [//hostname: [port]]/path[?device-options]
```

The meanings of *hostname*, *port*, *path* and *device-options* parts depend on the *scheme* and are described below. The following schemes are supported in Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux:

mdi Use a Microprocessor Debug Interface (MDI) debugging device. Refer to Section 5.4, “MDI Devices”.

The optional *?device-options* portion is allowed in all schemes. These allow additional device-specific options of the form *name=value*. Multiple options are concatenated using *&*.

The *board-file* specifies an XML file that describes how to initialize the target board, as well as other properties of the board used by the debugger. If *board-file* refers to a file (via a relative or absolute pathname), it is read. Otherwise, *board-file* can be a board name, and the toolchain's board directory is searched for a matching file. See Section 5.6, “Supported Board Files” for the list of supported boards, or invoke the Sprite with the *-b* option to list the available board files. You can also write a custom board file; see Section 5.7, “Board File Syntax” for more information about the file format.

Both the *device-url* and *board-file* command-line arguments are required to correctly connect the Sprite to a target board.

5.3. Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite Options

The following command-line options are supported by the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite:

- a** Attach to a process already running on the target. Without this option, the default behavior is to reset the target on the initial connection, in preparation for loading a new program from the debugger.
- b** Print a list of *board-file* files in the board config directory.
- h** Print a list of options and their meanings. A list of *device-url* syntaxes is also shown.
- i** Print a list of the accessible devices. If a *device-url* is also specified, only devices for that device type are scanned. Each supported device type is listed along with the options that can be appended to the *device-url*. For each discovered device, the *device-url* is printed along with a description of that device.
- l [*host*]:*port*** Specify the host address and port number to listen for a GDB connection. If this option is not given, the Debug Sprite communicates with GDB using stdin and stdout. If you start the Sprite from within GDB using the `target remote | mips-linux-gnu-sprite ...` command, you do not need this option.

- m Listen for multiple sequential connections. Normally the Debug Sprite terminates after the first connection from GDB terminates. This option instead makes it listen for a subsequent connection. To terminate the Sprite, open a connection and send the string `END\n`.
- q Do not print any messages.
- v Print additional messages.

If any of `-b`, `-i` or `-h` are given, the Debug Sprite terminates after providing the information rather than waiting for a debugger connection.

5.4. MDI Devices

The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for MIPS supports MDI (Microprocessor Debug Interface) devices. Each MDI device is identified by a target number and device number; these form the *path* part of the device URL, and the *hostname* and *port* must be empty or omitted. Thus, the *device-url* has the form:

```
mdi:///targetnum/devicenum[?device-options]
```

You can also use the environment variables `GDBMDITARGET` and `GDBMDIDEVICE` to provide defaults for the *targetnum* and *devicenum*.

The following *device-options* are permitted:

- `lib=filename` This option specifies the MDI library to load. It is equivalent to setting the `GDBMDILIB` environment variable.
- `cfg=filename` Some MDI target libraries, such as MIPSsim, require a configuration file. (This is distinct from the Sprite's own *board-file*.) You can use this option to specify the file. It is equivalent to setting the `GDBMIPSSIMCONFIG` environment variable.
- `rst=seconds` This option can be used to specify a delay after the target is reset by the Sprite. If the value of *seconds* is greater than zero, then execution is resumed for the specified number of seconds; this can be used to allow power-on firmware to initialize the memory controller and peripherals. Then the target is halted again and queried for configuration.

If the value of *seconds* is `-1`, then the target is queried immediately without reset. This is the same effect as passing the `-a` command-line option to the Sprite, which allows the Sprite to attach to a running program.

This option is equivalent to setting the `GDBMDICONNRST` environment variable. If neither the option nor the environment variable are provided, the default is to reset the target and query it immediately unless the `-a` option is specified.
- `group=/targetn/devicen` This option may be specified multiple times and is cumulative. Each of the specified devices is opened and queried and they are all treated as threads of execution, subject to being enabled or active; if a device is disabled or has no active thread contexts

associated with it, it is not visible to GDB but is still under control of the Sprite in case its state changes. This option cannot be used in combination with the `team=` option.

`team=/targetn/devicen` This option may be specified multiple times and is cumulative. The specified devices are not opened, but are associated with the base device by means of the MDI team mechanism for the purpose of synchronization. The specified devices may still be opened and controlled by another debugger (such as another instance of the Debug Sprite) independently. This option cannot be used in combination with the `group=` option.

Before you can connect to a target using the MDI API, you must tell the Debug Sprite which shared library or DLL to load for your simulator or device. On Linux hosts you should add the directory containing the shared library files to your `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` environment variable. On Windows hosts, add the directory containing the DLLs to your `PATH` environment variable. Then, either set the environment variable `GDBMDILIB` to the base name of the MDI library before starting the Debug Sprite, or use the `lib=` device option to specify the library to load.

Similarly, the `-i` command-line option can only probe for devices if you have set the `PATH` or `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` environment variable appropriately, and specify an MDI library using either the `GDBMDILIB` environment variable or the `lib=` device option. Otherwise, it reports only the generic `device-url` syntax.

For example, to use an FS2 probe on a Windows host to debug a MIPS Malta board, first add the directory containing the MDI DLLs to your `PATH`. Then you can invoke the Sprite from GDB using a command line similar to:

```
(gdb) target remote | mips-linux-gnu-sprite \  
'mdi:///2/2?lib=jnetfs2mdilib.dll&rst=7' malta
```

The quotes are required to prevent special characters in the `device-url` from being interpreted by the shell.

In the above command, the `rst=7` option provides for a sufficient delay for the board's reset code to execute on connection. Since this takes several seconds, GDB may time out waiting for the Sprite to respond. You can prevent this by issuing this command before you connect to the Sprite:

```
(gdb) set remotetimeout 10
```

To use the Sprite with MIPSsim, a configuration file is required. The configuration files provided with the MIPSsim distribution are intended for use with standalone execution from the command line, rather than running the program from the debugger. So, make a copy and comment out the `APP_FILE` setting. It is also recommended that you comment out `TRACE_FILE` as well, since the trace files can be very large.

To connect to MIPSsim using the Sprite on a Linux host, first set your `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` and `GDBMDILIB` as described above. You can run the Sprite from the shell to probe for devices to verify that your setup is correct:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-sprite -i
```

Then, from GDB, use a command similar to:

```
(gdb) target remote | mips-linux-gnu-sprite \  
'mdi:///23/2?cfg=24KE.cfg&rst=-1' mipssim
```

Fill in your target and device numbers as reported by the probe output, and the full pathname to your configuration file. The `rst=-1` option is required, as MIPSsim does not support reset.

This section describes only the basic MDI usage; refer to the documentation for your MDI simulator or debug device for details specific to that target. Note, in particular, that some MDI targets may require you to set up a license in addition to the steps given here.

5.5. Debugging a Remote Board

You can run the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite on a different machine from the one on which GDB is running. For example, if your board is connected to a machine in your lab, you can run the debugger on your laptop and connect to the remote board. The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite must run on the machine that is connected to the target board. You must have Sourcery CodeBench installed on both machines.

To use this mode, you must start the Sprite with the `-l` option and specify the port on which you want it to listen. For example:

```
> mips-linux-gnu-sprite -l :10000 device-url board-file
```

starts the Sprite listening on port 10000.

When running GDB from the command line, use the following command to connect GDB to the remote Sprite:

```
(gdb) target remote host:10000
```

where *host* is the name of the remote machine. After this, debugging is just as if you are debugging a target board connected to your host machine.

For more detailed instructions on using the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite in this way, please refer to the Sourcery CodeBench Knowledge Base¹.

5.6. Supported Board Files

The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite for MIPS GNU/Linux includes support for the following target boards. Specify the appropriate *board-file* as an argument when invoking the Sprite from the command line.

Board	Config
MIPS Malta	malta
MIPS Malta 64-bit	malta64
MIPS SEAD-3 LX110	sead3-lx110
MIPS SEAD-3 LX50	sead3-lx50
MIPSsim	mipssim

¹ <https://sourcery.mentor.com/GNUToolchain/kbentry132>

5.7. Board File Syntax

The *board-file* can be a user-written XML file to describe a non-standard board. The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite searches for board files in the `mips-linux-gnu/lib/boards` directory in the installation. Refer to the files in that directory for examples.

The file's DTD is:

```
<!-- Board description files

    Copyright (c) 2007-2012 Mentor Graphics Corporation.

    THIS FILE CONTAINS PROPRIETARY, CONFIDENTIAL, AND TRADE
    SECRET INFORMATION OF MENTOR GRAPHICS AND/OR ITS LICENSORS.

    You may not use or distribute this file without the express
    written permission of Mentor Graphics or its authorized
    distributor.  This file is licensed only for use with
    Sourcery CodeBench.  No other use is permitted.
-->

<!ELEMENT board
 (category?, properties?, feature?, initialize?, memory-map?, \
 debuggerDefaults?)>

<!-- Board category to group boards list into the tree -->
<!ELEMENT category (#PCDATA)>

<!ELEMENT properties
 (description?, property*)>

<!ELEMENT initialize
 (write-register | write-memory | delay
 | wait-until-memory-equal | wait-until-memory-not-equal)* >
<!ELEMENT write-register EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST write-register
    address CDATA    #REQUIRED
                value CDATA    #REQUIRED
                bits  CDATA    #IMPLIED>
<!ELEMENT write-memory EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST write-memory
    address CDATA    #REQUIRED
                value CDATA    #REQUIRED
                bits  CDATA    #IMPLIED>
<!ELEMENT delay EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST delay
    time CDATA    #REQUIRED>
<!ELEMENT wait-until-memory-equal EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST wait-until-memory-equal
    address CDATA    #REQUIRED
                value CDATA    #REQUIRED
                timeout CDATA    #IMPLIED
                bits  CDATA    #IMPLIED>
```

```

<!ELEMENT wait-until-memory-not-equal EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST wait-until-memory-not-equal
    address CDATA #REQUIRED
    value CDATA #REQUIRED
    timeout CDATA #IMPLIED
    bits CDATA #IMPLIED>

<!ELEMENT memory-map (memory-device)*>
<!ELEMENT memory-device (property*, description?, sectors*)>
<!ATTLIST memory-device
    address CDATA #REQUIRED
    size CDATA #REQUIRED
    type CDATA #REQUIRED
    device CDATA #IMPLIED>

<!ELEMENT description (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT property (#PCDATA)>
<!ATTLIST property name CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ELEMENT sectors EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST sectors
    size CDATA #REQUIRED
    count CDATA #REQUIRED>

<!-- Definition of default option values for each debug interface -->
<!ELEMENT debuggerDefaults (debugInterface*)>
<!ELEMENT debugInterface (option*)>
<!ATTLIST debugInterface
    name CDATA #REQUIRED
>
<!ELEMENT option EMPTY>
<!ATTLIST option
    name CDATA #REQUIRED
    defaultValue CDATA #REQUIRED
>

<!ENTITY % gdbtarget SYSTEM "gdb-target.dtd">
%gdbtarget;

```

All values can be provided in decimal, hex (with a 0x prefix) or octal (with a 0 prefix). Addresses and memory sizes can use a K, KB, M, MB, G or GB suffix to denote a unit of memory. Times must use a ms or us suffix.

The following elements are available:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code><board></code> | This top-level element encapsulates the entire description of the board. It can contain <code><category></code> , <code><properties></code> , <code><feature></code> , <code><initialize></code> and <code><memory-map></code> elements. |
| <code><category></code> | The <code><category></code> element specifies a '.' separated categorization of this board (e.g., Vendor.Family) to allow grouping similar boards in a tree structure. |

<code><properties></code>	The <code><properties></code> element specifies specific properties of the target system. This element can occur at most once. It can contain a <code><description></code> element.
<code><initialize></code>	The <code><initialize></code> element defines an initialization sequence for the board, which the Sprite performs before downloading a program. It can contain <code><write-register></code> , <code><write-memory></code> and <code><delay></code> elements.
<code><feature></code>	This element is used to inform GDB about additional registers and peripherals available on the board. It is passed directly to GDB; see the GDB manual for further details.
<code><memory-map></code>	This element describes the memory map of the target board. It is used by GDB to determine where software breakpoints may be used and when flash programming sequences must be used. This element can occur at most once. It can contain <code><memory-device></code> elements.
<code><memory-device></code>	This element specifies a region of memory. It has four attributes: <code>address</code> , <code>size</code> , <code>type</code> and <code>device</code> . The <code>address</code> and <code>size</code> attributes specify the location of the memory device. The <code>type</code> attribute specifies that device as <code>ram</code> , <code>rom</code> or <code>flash</code> . The <code>device</code> attribute is required for <code>flash</code> regions; it specifies the flash device type. The <code><memory-device></code> element can contain a <code><description></code> element.
<code><write-register></code>	This element writes a value to a control register. It has three attributes: <code>address</code> , <code>value</code> and <code>bits</code> . The <code>bits</code> attribute, specifying the bit width of the write operation, is optional; it defaults to 32.
<code><write-memory></code>	This element writes a value to a memory location. It has three attributes: <code>address</code> , <code>value</code> and <code>bits</code> . The <code>bits</code> attribute is optional and defaults to 32. Bit widths of 8, 16 and 32 bits are supported. The address written to must be naturally aligned for the size of the write being done.
<code><delay></code>	This element introduces a delay. It has one attribute, <code>time</code> , which specifies the number of milliseconds, or microseconds to delay by.
<code><description></code>	This element encapsulates a human-readable description of its enclosing element.
<code><property></code>	The <code><property></code> element allows additional name/value pairs to be specified. The property name is specified in a <code>name</code> attribute. The property value is the body of the <code><property></code> element.
<code><debuggerDefaults></code>	The <code><debuggerDefaults></code> element defines the default option values for each debug interface.

Chapter 6

Next Steps with Sourcery

CodeBench

This chapter describes where you can find additional documentation and information about using Sourcery CodeBench Lite and its components.

6.1. Sourcery CodeBench Knowledge Base

The Sourcery CodeBench Knowledge Base is available to registered users at the Sourcery CodeBench Portal¹. Here you can find solutions to common problems including installing Sourcery CodeBench, making it work with specific targets, and interoperability with third-party libraries. There are also additional example programs and tips for making the most effective use of the toolchain and for solving problems commonly encountered during debugging. The Knowledge Base is updated frequently with additional entries based on inquiries and feedback from customers.

6.2. Manuals for GNU Toolchain Components

Sourcery CodeBench Lite includes the full user manuals for each of the GNU toolchain components, such as the compiler, linker, assembler, and debugger. Most of the manuals include tutorial material for new users as well as serving as a complete reference for command-line options, supported extensions, and the like.

When you install Sourcery CodeBench Lite, links to both the PDF and HTML versions of the manuals are created in the shortcuts folder you select. If you elected not to create shortcuts when installing Sourcery CodeBench Lite, the documentation can be found in the `share/doc/mips-mips-linux-gnu/` subdirectory of your installation directory.

In addition to the detailed reference manuals, Sourcery CodeBench Lite includes a Unix-style manual page for each toolchain component. You can view these by invoking the `man` command with the pathname of the file you want to view. For example, you can first go to the directory containing the man pages:

```
> cd $INSTALL/share/doc/mips-mips-linux-gnu/man/man1
```

Then you can invoke `man` as:

```
> man ./mips-linux-gnu-gcc.1
```

Alternatively, if you use `man` regularly, you'll probably find it more convenient to add the directory containing the Sourcery CodeBench man pages to your `MANPATH` environment variable. This should go in your `.profile` or equivalent shell startup file; see Section 2.6, “Setting up the Environment” for instructions. Then you can invoke `man` with just the command name rather than a pathname.

Finally, note that every command-line utility program included with Sourcery CodeBench Lite can be invoked with a `--help` option. This prints a brief description of the arguments and options to the program and exits without doing further processing.

¹ <https://sourcery.mentor.com/GNUToolchain/>

Appendix A

Sourcery CodeBench Lite Release Notes

This appendix contains information about changes in this release of Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux. You should read through these notes to learn about new features and bug fixes.

A.1. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux

This section documents Sourcery CodeBench Lite changes for each released revision.

A.1.1. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2013.05-36

C++ exception handling format. The C++ exception handling format has been changed to fix a defect in the specification. The new format is not backwards-compatible with code produced by Sourcery CodeBench beginning with 2012.09 releases; you should recompile all C++ code using exceptions. The compatibility issue does not affect code produced by older Sourcery CodeBench Lite releases or third-party libraries built with other compilers.

Exception handling bug fix. A bug that sometimes caused an incorrect call to terminate during exception handling has been fixed.

Temporary register assembler bug fix. A bug has been fixed that caused `$zero` to be used as a temporary register for address calculation on some loads targeting that register.

Assembler bug fix for `.stab` directives. An assembler bug has been fixed that caused incorrect code to be generated when `.stab` directives were used in microMIPS or MIPS16 mode.

Assembler bug fix for microMIPS symbol loads. An assembler bug has been fixed that caused some microMIPS symbols to be loaded from an incorrect address.

N64 linker assertion failure fix. A linker bug has been fixed that caused an assertion failure when linking N64 code using the special `__ehdr_start` symbol.

O32 PIC call assembler bug fix. A bug that caused incorrect code generation on O32 PIC function calls using the `R_MIPS_JALR` relocation has been fixed.

IEEE 754 soft float NaN interpretation bug fixes. The IEEE 754 soft-float emulation libraries have been corrected to consistently use the legacy NaN representations.

GLIBC NaN string conversion bug fix. A bug in GLIBC's `strtof`, `strtod`, and `strtold` functions has been fixed that caused them to incorrectly return a signaling NaN rather than a quiet NaN given input of the form `"nan(N)"`. The bug also affected the `nanf`, `nan`, and `nanl` functions given a non-empty input string.

gdbserver hardware watchpoints fix. A `gdbserver` bug has been fixed that caused insertion of hardware watchpoints to fail.

Debug Sprite spurious error message bug fix. A bug in the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite has been fixed that caused a spurious `Error initializing the target` message upon startup in the attachment (`-a`) mode.

A.1.2. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2013.05-7

Conditional expression bug fix. A bug that caused an internal compiler error in some programs with conditional expressions has been fixed.

Missed optimization. A bug that caused GCC to miss an opportunity to use short instructions when compiling with `-mmicromips` has been fixed.

Exception handling bug fix. A bug that sometimes caused incorrect results when using C++ exception specifications has been fixed.

Incorrect optimization bug fix. A compiler bug has been fixed that caused incorrect code to be generated for some comparisons unless optimization was suppressed with `-fno-forward-propagate`.

Exception handling bug fix. A bug that caused unexpected runtime aborts when using C++ exception handling with `-muclibc` has been fixed.

GCC version 4.7.3. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is now based on GCC version 4.7.3. This update incorporates numerous bug fixes. For more information, see <http://gcc.gnu.org/gcc-4.7/changes.html>.

GCC option `-meva`. GCC now passes the `-meva` command-line option to GAS.

IEEE 754-2008 features and multilibs added. Support for some IEEE 754-2008 floating-point arithmetic standard features has been added to the toolchain for processors that implement them. This includes changes to the compiler, binutils, the dynamic linker and floating-point environment library functions. The changes enable support for the recommended encoding of NaN data introduced by the said revision of the standard as well as the use of the floating-point `ABS.fmt` and `NEG.fmt` instructions in a non-arithmetic manner. Multilibs built with the updated encoding of NaN data have been added. For information as to how to control these features, please refer to the compiler and assembler manuals.

Linker `--gc-sections` crash fix. A bug that caused the linker to sometimes crash when using `--gc-sections` has been fixed.

Improved error message for incompatible object files. The linker error message emitted when attempting to link objects with incompatible error handling formats now includes the object names.

Binutils update. The binutils package has been updated to version 2.23.52.20130219 from the FSF trunk. This update includes numerous bug fixes.

Installer warnings fixed. A bug that caused Gtk warnings relating to `libappmenu.so` when running the installer on 64-bit Ubuntu GNU/Linux hosts has been fixed.

Fix for installer upgrade problems. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux can now be installed into a directory already containing a previous version.

EGLIBC version 2.17. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux now includes EGLIBC version 2.17 library which is based on GNU C Library version 2.17. For more information about changes, see http://www.eglibc.org/news#eglibc_2_17. This version requires that Linux kernel version 2.6.16 or later be installed on the target in order to run applications.

New GLIBC macro `issignaling`. A new `<math.h>` macro named `issignaling` to check for a signaling Not a Number (sNaN) has been added to GLIBC. Please see the manual for further information.

GLIBC IEEE 754-2008 standards conformance. Math functions provided by GLIBC's `libm` have been fixed to return a quiet Not a Number (qNaN) when they wrongly returned a signaling Not a Number (sNaN).

Linux kernel headers update. Linux kernel header files have been updated to version 3.8.2.

Improved source line stepping. GDB and `gdbserver` now implement range stepping, which improves the performance of single stepping over a source line by reducing the number of control messages from GDB.

GDB hang fix. A bug that caused GDB to sometimes hang when setting a breakpoint has been fixed.

Sprite remote communication bug fix. A bug in the Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite that caused it to exit with the error `Remote communication error. Target disconnected.: Invalid argument.` on some Microsoft Windows hosts has been fixed.

Debug Sprite with multiple connections. The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite now works correctly when using multiple connections (`-m`) with the Mentor Embedded Sourcery Probe. Previously, the Sprite exited with an error after the first connection.

Debug Sprite source line stepping improvement. The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite now supports range stepping when used with debug devices that implement this MDI feature.

A.1.3. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2012.09-99

PIC call optimization. A compiler bug that disabled PIC call optimizations has been fixed.

microMIPS branch generation fixed. A bug in GCC has been fixed that caused it to generate out-of-range microMIPS branches, which resulted in a linker error `relocation truncated to fit: R_MICROMIPS_PC16_S1`.

Compact C++ language-specific data. GCC now defaults to emitting a compact encoding of the C++ language-specific data for exception handling. For more information, refer to the documentation of the `-mcompact-eh` and `-mno-compact-eh` options in the GCC manual.

Pointer comparison bug fixed. A bug in GCC that caused it to incorrectly optimize away a pointer comparison has been fixed.

Loop optimization bug fix. A compiler bug that caused some forms of loop to be mis-optimized when using the `-fpromote-loop-indices` option has been fixed.

Wrong-code bug fix. A bug in GCC's scheduler has been fixed that sometimes caused incorrect code to be generated.

Performance regression fixed. A bug that introduced unnecessary instructions to zero-extend unsigned `char` or `short` values has been fixed.

Linker raw binary input crash fix. A bug that caused the linker to crash when linking binary inputs (`--format=binary`) while using `--gc-sections` has been fixed.

Assembler bug fixes. Assembler bugs have been fixed that caused assembly errors or incorrect code to be produced for the LUI instruction, microMIPS B16, BEQZ16, and BNEZ16 suffixed instruction mnemonics, as well as 32-bit microMIPS instructions placed in a 16-bit delay slot of a branch or a jump.

Installing multiple targets in one directory. Due to changes in the installer, Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux can no longer be installed into a directory already containing an existing Sourcery CodeBench installation for a different target. The installer detects this situation and asks you to select a different directory.

Install to empty directory failure fixed. A bug that prevented installation of Sourcery CodeBench Lite into an existing empty directory has been fixed.

Misleading GDB warning fixed. A bug has been fixed that formerly caused GDB to display a warning about being unable to load symbols for ELF libraries that are contained in the Linux kernel itself.

Updated system requirements. The host operating system requirements for Sourcery CodeBench Lite have been updated. The minimum versions of GNU/Linux now supported are Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5, SuSE Enterprise Linux 10, Fedora Core 6, Ubuntu 8.04, and Debian 5, or later versions of these distributions running on 32-bit or 64-bit Intel or AMD CPUs.

A.1.4. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2012.09-43

GCC version 4.7.2. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is now based on GCC version 4.7.2. For more information about changes from GCC version 4.6 that was included in previous releases, see <http://gcc.gnu.org/gcc-4.7/changes.html>.

Optimization bug fix. A GCC bug has been fixed that caused incorrect code to be generated for `builtin_unreachable` when optimizing.

Linker crash bug fix. A bug has been fixed that caused the linker to crash when using customized linker scripts without a `.eh_frame_hdr` output section description.

Assembler `%hi` and `%lo` operator bug fixes . Several bugs have been fixed in the handling of `%hi` and `%lo` assembly operators applied to expressions involving forward symbol references. The bugs caused the assembler to fail with a `relocation overflow` error message or to produce incorrect code.

Linker script symbols. The linker now supports a new `HIDDEN` keyword to define symbols with object scope. Refer to the linker manual for details.

microMIPS `SWXC1` instruction encoding bug fix . A bug in the encoding of the microMIPS `SWXC1` instruction has been fixed. The bug caused `LWXC1` to be produced by the assembler and listed by the disassembler instead.

Binutils version 2.23. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is now based on binutils version 2.23.

Linker assertion failure bug fix. A linker bug has been fixed that caused assertion failures when processing code that makes use of protected symbols.

EVA instruction assembler bug fix. An assembler bug in branch delay slot optimization involving EVA instructions has been fixed.

Assembler internal error bug fix. A bug has been fixed that caused the assembler to sometimes fail with a `fixup not contained within frag` error message. The bug was triggered by the branch delay slot optimization, not normally used for compiler-generated code.

Linker `_gp` special symbol ABI conformance bug fix . A bug has been fixed in the linker that caused link errors or run-time malfunction of code that referred to the special `_gp` symbol. The semantics of the symbol has been defined in the MIPS processor-specific ABI supplement and the linker did not follow that definition.

EGLIBC version 2.16. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux now includes EGLIBC version 2.16 library which is based on GNU C Library version 2.16. For more information about changes, see http://www.eglibc.org/news#eglibc_2_16.

Linux kernel headers update. Linux kernel header files have been updated to version 3.5.4.

GDB update. The included version of GDB has been updated to 7.4.50.20120716. This update adds numerous bug fixes and features. Refer to <http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/news> for more information.

Non-stop support. The Sourcery CodeBench Debug Sprite now supports non-stop debugging.

A.1.5. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2012.03-63

__attribute__((nomips16)) code generation bug fix. A bug in GCC that caused incorrect code to be generated for functions with the `__attribute__((nomips16))` attribute while compiling with `-mips16` has been fixed.

C++ bug fix. A bug that caused unpredictable program behavior in C++ programs has been fixed.

Invalid microMIPS relocation fixed. A bug in branch code generation for microMIPS, reported by the linker as `relocation truncated to fit: R_MICROMIPS_PC16_S1`, has been fixed.

Improved size optimization for microMIPS. The compiler now aligns microMIPS functions more efficiently when the `-Os` option is used.

Compiler crash fixed. A GCC bug that occasionally caused an internal compiler error during register allocation has been fixed.

Register allocation bug fix. A bug in the register allocator that caused incorrect code generation has been fixed.

Linker `--gc-sections` bug fix. A linker bug that incorrectly caused undefined references to be diagnosed when the `--gc-sections` option is used has been fixed.

EVA support. GAS now supports MIPS EVA instructions. You can specify the `-meva` option to GCC and GAS to indicate that EVA instructions are being used.

RPC library functions. GLIBC has been changed so that programs may again be built to use its RPC library functions. The ability to build programs using these functions had previously been disabled.

A.1.6. Changes in Sourcery CodeBench Lite 2012.03-40

Nondeterministic code generation bug fix. A GCC bug has been fixed that caused nondeterministic code generation for some input files when optimizing.

GCC version 4.6. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is now based on GCC version 4.6. For more information about changes from GCC version 4.5 that was included in previous releases, see <http://gcc.gnu.org/gcc-4.6/changes.html>.

Fix for internal compiler error. A GCC bug has been fixed that caused an internal compiler error when using pointer casts in `C++0x constexpr` initialization expressions.

Compact C++ exception handling tables. GCC now defaults to emitting a compact encoding of C++ exception handling tables, rather than using a DWARF-based scheme. For more information, refer to the documentation of the `-mcompact-eh` and `-mno-compact-eh` options in the GCC manual.

Fix for bit-field optimization bug. A compiler bug that caused incorrect code to be generated for programs using bit-fields has been fixed.

Incorrect accesses to volatile memory. The compiler no longer generates SWP, LWP, SWM or LWM instructions to access objects declared with the `volatile` type qualifier, as these instructions can cause multiple memory accesses of unspecified ordering.

GCC version 4.6.3. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux is now based on GCC version 4.6.3. For more information about issues that have been fixed since version 4.6.1, see <http://gcc.gnu.org/gcc-4.6/changes.html>.

GCC stack usage improvement. GCC now generates better code for stack allocation in some cases when compiling with `-fno-strict-aliasing`.

microMIPS PLT linker bug fix. A bug has been fixed that sometimes caused the linker to emit MIPS32 code in the Procedure Linkage Table (PLT) in programs linked from pure microMIPS objects.

Linker `--gc-sections` option bug fix. A bug has been fixed that caused the linker to incorrectly remove the `.debug_types` section when using the `--gc-sections` option.

Fix for assembler internal error. A bug has been fixed that caused the assembler to abort with an assertion failure in `emit_inc_line_addr`.

Installer failure during upgrade. Some recent releases were affected by an installer bug on Windows hosts that caused installing a newer version of Sourcery CodeBench Lite into the same directory to fail with the error `Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux upgrade failed`. This bug has now been fixed, but the affected releases cannot be upgraded. As a workaround, uninstall the older release before installing the new version.

zic bug fix. A bug has been fixed in GLIBC's `zic` command (included in the target sysroot) that caused `too many transitions` errors on some valid input files.

EGLIBC version 2.15. Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux now includes EGLIBC version 2.15 library which is based on GNU C Library version 2.15. For more information about changes, see http://www.eglibc.org/news#eglibc_2_15.

Linux kernel headers update. Linux kernel header files have been updated to version 3.2.10.

C++ debugging bug fix. A GDB bug has been fixed that caused GDB to fail to find enum constants in base classes when debugging C++ code.

Fix for crash in GDB. A memory corruption bug in GDB has been fixed that under very rare circumstances made it crash or exhibit other unpredictable behavior. On GNU/Linux hosts, this bug caused crashes with an error message similar to: `*** glibc detected *** mips-linux-gnu-gdb: free(): invalid next size (normal): 0x09466198 ***` followed by a backtrace.

Fix debugger remote target interruption. A bug in GDB's handling of requests to interrupt execution on a remote target has been fixed that caused it to stop the target but not emit a stopped MI record.

GDB internal error fix. A bug has been fixed that caused GDB to produce messages of the form: `warning: (Internal error: pc 0x1000a0 in read in psyntab, but not in symtab.)` when taking the addresses of symbols from objects added with the `add-symbol-file` command.

A.1.7. Changes in Older Releases

For information about changes in older releases of Sourcery CodeBench Lite for MIPS GNU/Linux, please refer to the Getting Started guide packaged with those releases.

Appendix B

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