# **R32C IAR Assembler**

Reference Guide

for the Renesas

R32C/100 Microcomputer Family

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# **Preface**

Welcome to the R32C IAR Assembler Reference Guide. The purpose of this guide is to provide you with detailed reference information that can help you to use the R32C IAR Assembler to develop your application according to your requirements.

# Who should read this guide

You should read this guide if you plan to develop an application, or part of an application, using assembler language for the R32C/100 microcomputer and need to get detailed reference information on how to use the R32C IAR Assembler. In addition, you should have working knowledge of the following:

- The architecture and instruction set of the R32C/100 microcomputer. Refer to the documentation from Renesas for information about the R32C/100 microcomputer
- General assembler language programming
- Application development for embedded systems
- The operating system of your host computer.

## How to use this guide

When you first begin using the R32C IAR Assembler, you should read the chapter *Introduction to the R32C IAR Assembler* in this reference guide.

If you are an intermediate or advanced user, you can focus more on the reference chapters that follow the introduction.

If you are new to using the IAR Systems toolkit, we recommend that you first read the initial chapters of the *IAR Embedded Workbench*® *IDE User Guide*. They give product overviews, as well as tutorials that can help you get started. The *IAR Embedded Workbench*® *IDE User Guide* also contains a glossary.

# What this guide contains

Below is a brief outline and summary of the chapters in this guide.

- Introduction to the R32C IAR Assembler provides programming information. It also describes the source code format, and the format of assembler listings.
- Assembler options first explains how to set the assembler options from the
  command line and how to use environment variables. It then gives an alphabetical
  summary of the assembler options, and contains detailed reference information
  about each option.
- Assembler operators gives a summary of the assembler operators, arranged in order
  of precedence, and provides detailed reference information about each operator.
- Assembler directives gives an alphabetical summary of the assembler directives, and
  provides detailed reference information about each of the directives, classified into
  groups according to their function.
- Pragma directives describes the pragma directives available in the assembler.
- Diagnostics contains information about the formats and severity levels of diagnostic messages.

#### Other documentation

The complete set of IAR Systems development tools for the R32C/100 microcomputer is described in a series of guides and online help files. For information about:

- Using the IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE including the IAR C-SPY® Debugger, refer to the IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE User Guide
- Programming for the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler, refer to the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler Reference Guide
- Using the IAR XLINK Linker, the IAR XAR Library Builder, and the IAR XLIB Librarian, refer to the IAR Linker and Library Tools Reference Guide
- Using the IAR DLIB Library, refer to the online help system.

All of these guides are delivered in hypertext PDF or HTML format on the installation media. Some of them are also delivered as printed books.

# **Document conventions**

This guide uses the following typographic conventions:

Style	Used for
computer	Text that you enter or that appears on the screen.
parameter	A label representing the actual value you should enter as part of a command.
[option]	An optional part of a command.
{option}	An mandatory part of a command.
a   b   c	Alternatives in a command.
bold	Names of menus, menu commands, buttons, and dialog boxes that appear on the screen.
reference	A cross-reference within this guide or to another guide.
	An ellipsis indicates that the previous item can be repeated an arbitrary number of times.
X	Identifies instructions specific to the IAR Embedded Workbench interface.
	Identifies instructions specific to the command line interface.

Table 1: Typographic conventions used in this guide

Document conventions

# Introduction to the R32C IAR Assembler

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Introduction to assembler programming
- Modular programming
- External interface details
- Source format
- Assembler instructions
- Expressions, operands, and operators
- List file format
- Programming hints.

## Introduction to assembler programming

Even if you do not intend to write a complete application in assembler language, there may be situations where you will find it necessary to write parts of the code in assembler, for example, when using mechanisms in the R32C/100 microcomputer that require precise timing and special instruction sequences.

To write efficient assembler applications, you should be familiar with the architecture and instruction set of the R32C/100 microcomputer. Refer to the Renesas hardware documentation for syntax descriptions of the instruction mnemonics.

#### **GETTING STARTED**

To ease the start of the development of your assembler application, you can:

- Work through the tutorials—especially the one about mixing C and assembler modules—that you find in the IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE User Guide
- Read about the assembler language interface—also useful when mixing C and assembler modules—in the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler Reference Guide

 In the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE, you can base a new project on a template for an assembler project.

# Modular programming

Typically, you write your assembler code in assembler source files. In each source file, you define one or several assembler *modules* by using the module control directives. By structuring your code in small modules—in contrast to one single monolithic module—you can organize your application code in a logical structure, which makes the code easier to understand, and which benefits:

- an efficient program development
- reuse of modules
- maintenance.

Each module has a name and a type, where the type can be either PROGRAM or LIBRARY. The linker will always include a PROGRAM module, whereas a LIBRARY module is only included in the linked code if other modules reference a public symbol in the module. A module consists of one or more segments.

A *segment* is a logical entity containing a piece of data or code that should be mapped to a physical location in memory. You place your code and data in segments by using the segment control directives. A segment can be either *absolute* or *relocatable*. An absolute segment always has a fixed address in memory, whereas the address for a relocatable segment is resolved at link time. By using segments, you can control how your code and data will be placed in memory. Each segment consists of many *segment parts*. A segment part is the smallest linkable unit, which allows the linker to include only those units that are referred to.

### **External interface details**

This section provides information about how the assembler interacts with its environment.

You can use the assembler either from the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE or from the command line. Refer to the *IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE User Guide* for information about using the assembler from the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

#### **ASSEMBLER INVOCATION SYNTAX**

The invocation syntax for the assembler is:

ar32c [options] [sourcefile] [options]

For example, when compiling the source file prog.c, use the following command to generate an object file with debug information:

```
ar32c prog --debug
```

The R32C IAR Assembler uses the default filename extensions s53, asm, and msa for source files.

Generally, the order of options on the command line, both relative to each other and to the source filename, is *not* significant. There is, however, one exception: when you use the -I option, the directories are searched in the same order that they are specified on the command line. The default filename extension for assembler output is r53.

If you run the assembler from the command line without any arguments, the assembler version number and all available options including brief descriptions are directed to stdout and displayed on the screen.

#### **PASSING OPTIONS**

There are three different ways of passing options to the assembler:

- Directly from the command line
   Specify the options on the command line after the ar32c command; see Assembler invocation syntax, page 2.
- Via environment variables

  The assembler automatically appends the value of the environment variables to every command line; see *Environment variables*, page 4.
- Via a text file by using the -f option; see -f, page 26.

For general guidelines for the option syntax, an options summary, and a detailed description of each option, see the *Assembler options* chapter.

#### **ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES**

Assembler options can also be specified in the ASMR32C environment variable. The assembler automatically appends the value of this variable to every command line, so it provides a convenient method of specifying options that are required for every assembly.

The following environment variables can be used with the R32C IAR Assembler:

Environment variable	Description	
ASMR32C	Specifies command line options; for example:	
	set ASMR32C=-L -ws	
AR32C_INC	Specifies directories to search for include files; for example:	
	set AR32C_INC=c:\myinc\	

Table 2: Assembler environment variables

For example, setting the following environment variable will always generate a list file with the name temp.lst:

ASMR32C=-1 temp.1st

For information about the environment variables used by the IAR XLINK Linker and the IAR XLIB Librarian, see the *IAR Linker and Library Tools Reference Guide*.

#### **ERROR RETURN CODES**

When using the R32C IAR Assembler from within a batch file, you may need to determine whether the assembly was successful in order to decide what step to take next. For this reason, the assembler returns the following error return codes:

Return code	Description
0	Assembly successful, warnings may appear.
1	There were warnings, provided that the optionwarnings_affect_exit_code was used.
2	There were non-fatal errors or fatal assembly errors (making the assembler abort).
3	There were crashing errors.

Table 3: Assembler error return codes

#### Source format

The format of an assembler source line is as follows:

[label [:]] [operation] [operands] [; comment]

where the components are as follows:

1abe1 A definition of a label, which is a symbol that represents an

address. If the label starts in the first column—that is, at the far

left on the line—the : (colon) is optional.

operation An assembler instruction or directive. This must not start in the

first column—there must be some whitespace to the left of it.

operands An assembler instruction or directive can have zero, one, or

more operands. The operands are separated by commas. An

operand can be:

• a constant representing a numeric value or an address

• a symbolic name representing a numeric value or an address

(where the latter also is referred to as a label)

• a floating-point constant

• a register

· a predefined symbol

• \$, the program location counter (PLC)

• an expression.

comment Comment, preceded by a; (semicolon)

C or C++ comments are also allowed.

The components are separated by spaces or tabs.

A source line may not exceed 2047 characters.

Tab characters, ASCII 09H, are expanded according to the most common practice; i.e. to columns 8, 16, 24 etc. This affects the source code output in list files and debug information. Because tabs may be set up differently in different editors, it is recommended that you do not use tabs in your source files.

## **Assembler instructions**

The R32C IAR Assembler supports the syntax for assembler instructions as described in the chip manufacturer's hardware documentation.

## Expressions, operands, and operators

Expressions consist of expression operands and operators.

The assembler will accept a wide range of expressions, including both arithmetic and logical operations. All operators use 32-bit two's complement integers. Range checking is performed if a value is used for generating code.

Expressions are evaluated from left to right, unless this order is overridden by the priority of operators; see also *Precedence of operators*, page 33.

The following operands are valid in an expression:

- Constants for data or addresses, excluding floating-point constants.
- Symbols—symbolic names—which can represent either data or addresses, where
  the latter also is referred to as labels.
- The program location counter (PLC), \$.

The operands are described in greater detail on the following pages.

#### **INTEGER CONSTANTS**

Since all IAR Systems assemblers use 32-bit two's complement internal arithmetic, integers have a (signed) range from -2147483648 to 2147483647.

Constants are written as a sequence of digits with an optional – (minus) sign in front to indicate a negative number.

Commas and decimal points are not permitted.

The following types of number representation are supported:

Integer type	Example
Binary	1010b
Octal	1234q
Decimal	1234, -1
Hexadecimal	OFFFFh, OxFFFF

Table 4: Integer constant formats

**Note:** Both the prefix and the suffix can be written with either uppercase or lowercase letters.

#### **ASCII CHARACTER CONSTANTS**

ASCII constants can consist of any number of characters enclosed in single or double quotes. Only printable characters and spaces may be used in ASCII strings. If the quote character itself is to be accessed, two consecutive quotes must be used:

Format	Value
'ABCD'	ABCD (four characters).
"ABCD"	ABCD'\0' (five characters the last ASCII null).
'A ' 'B'	A'B
'A'''	Α'
' ' ' ' (4 quotes)	1
' ' (2 quotes)	Empty string (no value).
"" (2 double quotes)	Empty string (an ASCII null character).
\'	', for quote within a string, as in 'I\'d love to'
//	for \ within a string
\"	", for double quote within a string

Table 5: ASCII character constant formats

#### **FLOATING-POINT CONSTANTS**

The R32C IAR Assembler will accept floating-point values as constants and convert them into IEEE double-precision (signed 64-bit) floating-point format or fractional format.

Floating-point numbers can be written in the format:

$$[+|-][digits].[digits][{E|e}[+|-]digits]$$

The following table shows some valid examples:

Format	Value
10.23	1.023 × 10 <sup>1</sup>
1.23456E-24	$1.23456 \times 10^{-24}$
1.0E3	$1.0\times10^3$

Table 6: Floating-point constants

Spaces and tabs are not allowed in floating-point constants.

**Note**: Floating-point constants will not give meaningful results when used in expressions.

When a fractional format is used—for example, DQ15—the range that can be represented is -1.0 <= x < 1.0. Any value outside that range is silently saturated into the maximum or minimum value that can be represented.

If the word length of the fractional data is n, the fractional number will be represented as the 2-complement number:  $x * 2^{(n-1)}$ .

#### TRUE AND FALSE

In expressions, a zero value is considered FALSE, and a non-zero value is considered TRUE.

Conditional expressions return the value 0 for FALSE and 1 for TRUE.

#### **SYMBOLS**

User-defined symbols can be up to 255 characters long, and all characters are significant. Depending on what kind of operation a symbol is followed by, the symbol is either a data symbol or an address symbol where the latter is referred to as a label. A symbol before an instruction is a label and a symbol before, for example the EQU directive, is a data symbol. A symbol can be:

- absolute—its value is known by the assembler
- relocatable—its value is resolved at link-time.

Symbols must begin with a letter, a–z or A–Z, ? (question mark), or \_ (underscore). Symbols can include the digits 0–9 and \$ (dollar).

Case is insignificant for built-in symbols like instructions, registers, operators, and directives. For user-defined symbols case is by default significant but can be turned on and off using the **Case sensitive user symbols** (--case\_insensitive) assembler option. See --case insensitive, page 20 for additional information.

Use the symbol control directives to control how symbols are shared between modules. For example, use the PUBLIC directive to make one or more symbols available to other modules. The EXTERN directive is used for importing an untyped external symbol.

Note that symbols and labels are byte addresses.

#### LABELS

Symbols used for memory locations are referred to as labels.

#### Program location counter (PLC)

The assembler keeps track of the start address of the current instruction. This is called the *program location counter*.

If you need to refer to the program location counter in your assembler source code you can use the \$ (dollar) sign. For example:

JMP \$ ; Loop forever

#### **REGISTER SYMBOLS**

The following table shows the existing predefined register symbols:

Name	Address size	Description
ROL-R3L, ROH-R3H	8 bits	General purpose data registers
R0-R7	16 bits	General purpose data registers
R2R0, R3R1, R6R4, R7R5	32 bits	General purpose data register pairs
R3R1R2R0, R7R5R6R4	64 bits	General purpose data register combinations
A0-A3	32 bits	General purpose address registers
A1A0, A3A2	64 bits	General purpose address register combinations
SB	32 bits	Static base register
FB	32 bits	Frame base register
ROLB-R3LB, ROHB-R3HB	8 bits	General purpose data registers, register bank B
R0B-R7B	16 bits	General purpose data registers, register bank B
R2R0B, R3R1B, R6R4B, R7R5B	32 bits	General purpose data register pairs, register bank B
R3R1R2R0B, R7R5R6R4B	64 bits	General purpose data register combinations, register bank B
A0B-A3B	32 bits	General purpose address registers, register bank B
A1A0B, A3A2B	64 bits	General purpose address register combinations, register bank B
INTB	32 bits	The interrupt table base pointer
SVF	32 bits	Save flag register
SVP	32 bits	Save PC register
FLG	32 bits	Flag register
SP	32 bits	The active stack pointer (USB or ISB depending on the FLG register U bit)
ISP	32 bits	Interrupt stack pointer
VCT	32 bits	Vector register

Table 7: Predefined register symbols

Name	Address size	Description
DSA0-DSA3	32 bits	DMA source address registers
DSR0-DSR3	32 bits	DMA source address reload registers
DDA0-DDA3	32 bits	DMA destination address registers
DDR0-DDR3	32 bits	DMA destination address reload registers
DMD0-DMD3	32 bits	DMA mode registers
DCT0-DCT3	24 bits	DMA terminal count registers
DCR0-DCR3	24 bits	DMA terminal count reload registers
С	l bit	Carry flag
D	l bit	Debug flag
Z	l bit	Zero flag
S	l bit	Sign flag
В	l bit	Register bank select flag
0	l bit	Overflow flag
I	l bit	Interrupt enable flag
U	l bit	Stack pointer select flag

Table 7: Predefined register symbols (Continued)

#### **PREDEFINED SYMBOLS**

The R32C IAR Assembler defines a set of symbols for use in assembler source files. The symbols provide information about the current assembly, allowing you to test them in preprocessor directives or include them in the assembled code. The strings returned by the assembler are enclosed in double quotes.

The following predefined symbols are available:

Symbol	Value
AR32C	An integer that is set to $\ensuremath{\mathbb{1}}$ when the code is assembled with the R32C IAR Assembler.
BUILD_NUMBER	A unique integer that identifies the build number of the assembler currently in use. The build number does not necessarily increase with an assembler that is released later.
CODE_MODEL	An integer that identifies the code model in use. The symbol reflects thecode_model option and is defined toFAR orHUGE These symbolic names can be used when testing theCODE_MODEL symbol.

Table 8: Predefined symbols

Symbol	Value
DATA_MODEL	An integer that identifies the data model in use. The symbol reflects thedata_model option and can be defined to
	NEAR,FAR, orHUGE
DATE	The current date in ${\tt dd/Mmm/yyyy}$ format (string).
DOUBLE	Either 32 or 64, depending on the setting of the optiondouble.
FILE	The name of the current source file (string).
IAR_SYSTEMS_ASM	IAR assembler identifier (number).
LINE	The current source line number (number).
SUBVERSION	An integer that identifies the version letter of the version number, for example the C in 4.21C, as an ASCII character.
TIME	The current time in hh:mm:ss format (string).
VER	The version number in integer format; for example, version 4.17 is returned as 417 (number).

Table 8: Predefined symbols (Continued)

#### Including symbol values in code

There are several data definition directives provided to make it possible to include a symbol value in the code. These directives define values or reserve memory. To include a symbol value in the code, use the symbol in the appropriate data definition directive.

For example, to include the time of assembly as a string for the program to display:

```
tim DC8 __TIME__ ; Time string ...

MOVA tim,A0 ; Load time string in A0
JSR printstr ; Call string output routine
```

#### Testing symbols for conditional assembly

To test a symbol at assembly time, you can use one of the conditional assembly directives. These directives let you control the assembly process at assembly time.

For example, if you want to assemble separate code sections depending on whether you are using an old assembler version or a new assembler version, you can do as follows:

```
#if (__VER__ > 300) ; New assembler version ...
...
#else ; Old assembler version ...
```

#endif

See Conditional assembly directives, page 66.

#### ABSOLUTE AND RELOCATABLE EXPRESSIONS

Depending on what operands an expression consists of, the expression is either *absolute* or *relocatable*. Absolute expressions are those expressions that only contain absolute symbols or relocatable symbols that cancel each other out.

Expressions that include symbols in relocatable segments cannot be resolved at assembly time, because they depend on the location of segments. These are referred to as relocatable expressions.

Such expressions are evaluated and resolved at link time, by the IAR XLINK Linker. There are no restrictions on the expression; any operator can be used on symbols from any segment, or any combination of segments.

For example, a program could define the segments DATA and CODE as follows:

```
| NAME | prog1 |
| EXTERN | third |
| RSEG | DATA |
| first: DC8 | 5 |
| second: DC8 | 3 |
| ENDMOD | |
| MODULE | prog2 |
| RSEG | CODE |
| start | ...
```

Then in the segment CODE, the following relocatable expressions are legal:

```
DC8 first
DC8 first+1
DC8 1+first
DC8 (first/second)*third
```

**Note:** At assembly time, there will be no range check. The range check will occur at link time and, if the values are too large, there will be a linker error.

#### **EXPRESSION RESTRICTIONS**

Expressions can be categorized according to restrictions that apply to some of the assembler directives. One such example is the expression used in conditional statements like  ${\tt IF}$ , where the expression must be evaluated at assembly time and therefore cannot contain any external symbols.

The following expression restrictions are referred to in the description of each directive they apply to.

#### No forward

All symbols referred to in the expression must be known, no forward references are allowed.

#### No external

No external references in the expression are allowed.

#### **Absolute**

The expression must evaluate to an absolute value; a relocatable value (segment offset) is not allowed.

#### **Fixed**

The expression must be fixed, which means that it must not depend on variable-sized instructions. A variable-sized instruction is an instruction that may vary in size depending on the numeric value of its operand.

# List file format

The format of an assembler list file is as follows:

#### **HEADER**

The header section contains product version information, the date and time when the file was created, and which options were used.

#### **BODY**

The body of the listing contains the following fields of information:

- The line number in the source file. Lines generated by macros will, if listed, have a . (period) in the source line number field.
- The address field shows the location in memory, which can be absolute or relative depending on the type of segment. The notation is hexadecimal.
- The data field shows the data generated by the source line. The notation is hexadecimal. Unresolved values are represented by ..... (periods), where two periods signify one byte. These unresolved values will be resolved during the linking process.
- The assembler source line.

#### **SUMMARY**

The *end* of the file contains a summary of errors and warnings that were generated.

#### SYMBOL AND CROSS-REFERENCE TABLE

When you specify the **Include cross-reference** option, or if the LSTXRF+ directive has been included in the source file, a symbol and cross-reference table is produced.

The following information is provided for each symbol in the table:

Information	Description
Symbol	The symbol's user-defined name.
Mode	ABS (Absolute), or REL (Relocatable).
Segments	The name of the segment that this symbol is defined relative to.
Value/Offset	The value (address) of the symbol within the current module, relative to the beginning of the current segment part.

Table 9: Symbol and cross-reference table

# **Programming hints**

This section gives hints on how to write efficient code for the R32C IAR Assembler. For information about projects including both assembler and C or C++ source files, see the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler Reference Guide.

#### **ACCESSING SPECIAL FUNCTION REGISTERS**

Specific header files for a number of R32C/100 derivatives are included in the IAR Systems product package, in the \r32c\inc directory. These header files define the processor-specific special function registers (SFRs) and interrupt vector numbers.

The header files are intended to be used also with the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler, and they are suitable to use as templates when creating new header files for other R32C/100 derivatives.

If any assembler-specific additions are needed in the header file, these can be added easily in the assembler-specific part of the file:

```
#ifdef __IAR_SYSTEMS_ASM__
   (assembler-specific defines)
#endif
```

#### USING C-STYLE PREPROCESSOR DIRECTIVES

The C-style preprocessor directives are processed before other assembler directives. Therefore, do not use preprocessor directives in macros and do not mix them with assembler-style comments. For more information about comments, see *Assembler control directives*, page 83.

#### **SPECIFYING IMMEDIATE OPERANDS**

The R32C/100 instruction set allows immediate operands to be encoded in a smaller format known as #immex. To use this format, it is best to use negative numbers rather than trying to sign-extend them in code. A sign-extended constant such as #0xFFFFE024 will be interpreted as the unsigned entity rather than a negative value, and will cause a range error. To use the #immex format, instead write #-0x1FDC."

Programming hints

# **Assembler options**

This chapter first explains how to set the options from the command line, and gives an alphabetical summary of the assembler options. It then provides detailed reference information for each assembler option.



The IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE User Guide describes how to set assembler options in the IAR Embedded Workbench® IDE, and gives reference information about the available options.

## Setting assembler options

To set assembler options from the command line, include them on the command line after the ar32c command, either before or after the source filename. For example, when assembling the source prog.s53, use the following command to generate an object file with debug information:

```
ar32c prog --debug
```

Some options accept a filename, included after the option letter with a separating space. For example, to generate a listing to the file prog.lst:

```
ar32c prog -1 prog.1st
```

Some other options accept a string that is not a filename. The string is included after the option letter, but without a space. For example, to define a symbol:

```
ar32c prog -DDEBUG=1
```

Generally, the order of options on the command line, both relative to each other and to the source filename, is *not* significant. There is, however, one exception: when you use the -I option, the directories are searched in the same order as they are specified on the command line.

Notice that a command line option has a *short* name and/or a *long* name:

- A short option name consists of one character, with or without parameters. You
  specify it with a single dash, for example -r.
- A long name consists of one or several words joined by underscores, and it may
  have parameters. You specify it with double dashes, for example --debug.

#### SPECIFYING PARAMETERS

When a parameter is needed for an option with a short name, it can be specified either immediately following the option or as the next command line argument.

For instance, an include file path of \usr\include can be specified either as:

```
-T\usr\include
```

or as

```
-I \usr\include
```

**Note:** / can be used instead of \ as directory delimiter. A trailing backslash can be added to the last directory name, but is not required.

Additionally, output file options can take a parameter that is a directory name. The output file will then receive a default name and extension.

When a parameter is needed for an option with a long name, it can be specified either immediately after the equal sign (=) or as the next command line argument, for example:

```
--diag_suppress=Pe0001
```

or

```
--diag_suppress Pe0001
```

Options that accept multiple values may be repeated, and may also have comma-separated values (without space), for example:

```
--diag_warning=Be0001,Be0002
```

The current directory is specified with a period (.), for example:

```
ar32c prog -1 .
```

A file specified by - (a single dash) is standard input or output, whichever is appropriate.

**Note:** When an option takes a parameter, the parameter cannot start with a dash (-) followed by another character. Instead you can prefix the parameter with two dashes (--). The following example will generate a list on standard output:

```
ar32c prog -1 ---
```

# Summary of assembler options

The following table summarizes the assembler options available from the command line:

Command line option	Description
case_insensitive	Case-insensitive user symbols
code_model	Defines the symbolCODE_MODEL
-D	Defines preprocessor symbols
data_model	Defines the symbolDATA_MODEL
debug	Generates debug information
dependencies	Lists file dependencies
diag_error	Treats these diagnostics as errors
diag_remark	Treats these diagnostics as remarks
diag_suppress	Suppresses these diagnostics
diag_warning,	Treats these diagnostics as warnings
diagnostics_tables	Lists all diagnostic messages
dir_first	Allows directives in the first column
double	Defines the symbolDOUBLE
enable_multibytes	Enables support for multibyte characters
error_limit	Specifies the allowed number of errors before the assembler stops
-f	Extends the command line
header_context	Lists all referred source files
-I	Includes file paths
-1	Output list file
-M	Macro quote characters
mnem_first	Allows mnemonics in the first column
no_path_in_file_macros	Removes the path from the return value of the symbolsFILE andBASE_FILE
no_warnings	Disables all warnings
no_wrap_diagnostics	Disables wrapping of diagnostic messages
-0	Sets object filename
only_stdout	Uses standard output only
preinclude	Includes an include file before reading the source file

Table 10: Assembler options summary

Command line option	Description
preprocess	Preprocessor output to file
-r	Generates debug information
remarks	Enables remarks
silent	Sets silent operation
warnings_affect_exit_code	Warnings affect exit code
warnings_are_errors	Treats all warnings as errors

Table 10: Assembler options summary (Continued)

## **Description of assembler options**

The following sections give detailed reference information about each assembler option.



Note that if you use the page Extra Options to specify specific command line options, there is no check for consistency problems like conflicting options, duplication of options, or use of irrelevant options.

--case\_insensitive --case\_insensitive

Use this option to make user symbols case insensitive.

By default, case sensitivity is on. This means that, for example, LABEL and label refer to different symbols. Use --case\_insensitive to turn case sensitivity off, in which case LABEL and label will refer to the same symbol.

You can also use the assembler directives CASEON and CASEOFF to control case sensitivity for user-defined symbols. See Assembler control directives, page 83, for more information.

**Note:** The --case\_insensitive option does not affect preprocessor symbols. Preprocessor symbols are always case sensitive, regardless of whether they are defined in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE or on the command line. See Defining and undefining preprocessor symbols, page 78.



Project>Options>Assembler >Language>User symbols are case sensitive

```
--code_model --code_model={far|f|huge|h}
```

#### **Parameters**

```
far (default)

Sets the predefined symbol __CODE_MODEL__ to __CODE_MODEL_FAR__
huge

Sets the predefined symbol __CODE_MODEL__ to __CODE_M
```

#### Description

Use this option to define the symbol \_\_CODE\_MODEL\_\_. See *Predefined symbols*, page 10.



#### Project>Options>General Options>Target>Code model

```
-D -Dsymbol[=value]
```

Defines a symbol to be used by the preprocessor with the name *symbol* and the value *value*. If no value is specified, 1 is used.

The -D option allows you to specify a value or choice on the command line instead of in the source file.

#### Example

You may want to arrange your source to produce either the test or production version of your program dependent on whether the symbol TESTVER was defined. To do this use include sections such as:

```
#ifdef TESTVER
... ; additional code lines for test version only
#endif
```

Then select the version required on the command line as follows:

Production version: ar32c prog

Test version: ar32c prog -DTESTVER

Alternatively, your source might use a variable that you need to change often. You can then leave the variable undefined in the source, and use -D to specify the value on the command line; for example:

```
ar32c prog -DFRAMERATE=3
```



#### Project>Options>Assembler>Preprocessor>Defined symbols

```
--data_model --data_model={near|n|far|f|huge|h}
```

#### **Parameters**

near	Sets the predefined symbol $\_\_\mathtt{DATA}\_\mathtt{MODEL}\_\_$ to
	DATA_MODEL_NEAR
far (default)	Sets the predefined symbolDATA_MODEL toDATA_MODEL_FAR
huge	Sets the predefined symbolDATA_MODEL toDATA_MODEL_HUGE

#### Description

Use this option to define the symbol \_\_DATA\_MODEL\_\_. See *Predefined symbols*, page 10.



#### Project>Options>General Options>Target>Data model

The --debug option makes the assembler generate debug information that allows a symbolic debugger such as the IAR C-SPY® Debugger to be used on the program.

In order to reduce the size and link time of the object file, the assembler does not generate debug information by default.



#### Project>Options>Assembler >Output>Generate debug information

--dependencies

--dependencies=[i][m] {filename|directory}

When you use this option, each source file opened by the assembler is listed in a file. The following modifiers are available:

Option modifier	Description
i	Include only the names of files (default)
m	Makefile style

Table 11: Generating a list of dependencies (--dependencies)

If a filename is specified, the assembler stores the output in that file.

If a directory is specified, the assembler stores the output in that directory, in a file with the extension i. The filename will be the same as the name of the assembled source

file, unless a different name has been specified with the option -o, in which case that name will be used.

To specify the working directory, replace directory with a period (.).

If --dependencies or --dependencies=i is used, the name of each opened source file, including the full path if available, is output on a separate line. For example:

```
c:\iar\product\include\stdio.h
d:\myproject\include\foo.h
```

If --dependencies=m is used, the output uses makefile style. For each source file, one line containing a makefile dependency rule is output. Each line consists of the name of the object file, a colon, a space, and the name of a source file. For example:

```
foo.r53: c:\iar\product\include\stdio.h
foo.r53: d:\myproject\include\foo.h
```

#### Example I

To generate a listing of file dependencies to the file listing.i, use:

```
ar32c prog --dependencies=i listing
```

#### Example 2

To generate a listing of file dependencies to a file called listing.i in the mypath directory, you would use:

```
ar32c prog --dependencies \mypath\listing
```

**Note:** Both \ and / can be used as directory delimiters.

#### Example 3

An example of using --dependencies with gmake:

**I** Set up the rule for assembling files to be something like:

```
%.r53 : %.c
$(ASM) $(ASMFLAGS) $< --dependencies=m $*.d</pre>
```

That is, besides producing an object file, the command also produces a dependent file in makefile style (in this example using the extension . d).

**2** Include all the dependent files in the makefile using for example:

```
-include $(sources:.c=.d)
```

Because of the -, it works the first time, when the .d files do not yet exist.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--diag\_error --diag\_error=tag,tag,...

Use this option to classify diagnostic messages as errors.

An error indicates a violation of the assembler language rules, of such severity that object code will not be generated, and the exit code will not be 0.

The following example classifies warning As001 as an error:

--diag\_error=As001



#### Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Treat these as errors

--diag\_remark --diag\_remark=tag,tag,...

Use this option to classify diagnostic messages as remarks.

A remark is the least severe type of diagnostic message and indicates a source code construct that may cause strange behavior in the generated code.

The following example classifies the warning As001 as a remark:

--diag remark=As001



#### Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Treat these as remarks

--diag\_suppress

--diag\_suppress=tag,tag,...

Use this option to suppress diagnostic messages. The following example suppresses the warnings As001 and As002:

--diag\_suppress=As001, As002



#### Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Suppress these diagnostics

--diag\_warning

--diag\_warning=tag, tag, ...

Use this option to classify diagnostic messages as warnings.

A warning indicates an error or omission that is of concern, but which will not cause the assembler to stop before the assembly is completed.

The following example classifies the remark As028 as a warning:

--diag\_warning=As028



#### Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Treat these as warnings

--diagnostics\_tables --diagnostics\_tables {filename|directory}

Use this option to list all possible diagnostic messages in a named file. This can be very convenient, for example, if you have used a #pragma directive to suppress or change the severity level of any diagnostic messages, but forgot to document why.

This option cannot be given together with other options.

If a filename is specified, the assembler stores the output in that file.

If a directory is specified, the assembler stores the output in that directory, in a file with the name diagnostics\_tables.txt. To specify the working directory, replace directory with a period (.).

#### Example I

To output a list of all possible diagnostic messages to the file diag.txt, use:

--diagnostics\_tables diag

# Example 2

If you want to generate a table to a file diagnostics\_tables.txt in the working directory, you could use:

--diagnostics\_tables .

Both \ and / can be used as directory delimiters.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--dir first --dir first

The default behavior of the assembler is to treat all identifiers starting in the first column as labels.

Use this option to make directive names (without a trailing colon) that start in the first column to be recognized as directives.



Project>Options>Assembler >Language>Allow directives in first column

--double --double={32|64}

#### **Parameters**

far (default) Sets the predefined symbol \_\_DOUBLE\_\_ to 32 Sets the predefined symbol \_\_DOUBLE\_\_ to 64 huge

# Description

Use this option to define the symbol \_\_DOUBLE\_\_. See *Predefined symbols*, page 10.



# Project>Options>General Options>Target>Size of type 'double'

--enable multibytes

--enable multibytes

By default, multibyte characters cannot be used in assembler source code. If you use this option, multibyte characters in the source code are interpreted according to the host computer's default setting for multibyte support.

Multibyte characters are allowed in comments, in string literals, and in character constants. They are transferred untouched to the generated code.



# Project>Options>Assembler>Language>Enable multibyte support

--error\_limit --error\_limit=n

Use the --error\_limit option to specify the number of errors allowed before the assembler stops. By default, 100 errors are allowed. n must be a positive number; 0 indicates no limit.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

-f -f filename

Extends the command line with text read from the specified file. Notice that there must be a space between the option itself and the filename.

The -f option is particularly useful where there is a large number of options which are more conveniently placed in a file than on the command line itself. For example, to run the assembler with further options taken from the file extend.xcl, use:

ar32c prog -f extend.xcl



To set this option, use:

#### Project>Options>Assembler>Extra Options

--header\_context --header\_context

Occasionally, it is necessary to know which header file that was included from what source line, to find the cause of a problem. Use this option to list, for each diagnostic message, not only the source position of the problem, but also the entire include stack at that point.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

-I -Iprefix

Adds the #include file search prefix prefix.

By default, the assembler searches for #include files only in the current working directory and in the paths specified in the AR32C\_INC environment variable. The -I option allows you to give the assembler the names of directories which it will also search if it fails to find the file in the current working directory.

#### Example

For example, using the options:

-Ic:\global\ -Ic:\thisproj\headers\

and then writing:

#include "asmlib.hdr"

in the source, will make the assembler search first in the current directory, then in the directory c:\global\, and then in the directory C:\thisproj\headers\. Finally, the assembler searches the directories specified in the AR32C\_INC environment variable, provided that this variable is set.



# Project>Options>Assembler >Preprocessor>Additional include directories

-1 -1[a][d][e][m][o][x][N] {filename | directory}

By default, the assembler does not generate a listing. Use this option to generate a listing to a file.

You can choose to include one or more of the following types of information:

Command line option	Description
-la	Assembled lines only
-1d	The LSTOUT directive controls if lines are written to the list file or not. Using $-1d$ turns the start value for this to off.
-le	No macro expansions
-lm	Macro definitions
-10	Multiline code
-1x	Includes cross-references

Table 12: Conditional list options (-l)

Command line option	Description
-1N	Do not include diagnostics

Table 12: Conditional list options (-l) (Continued)

If a filename is specified, the assembler stores the output in that file.

If a directory is specified, the assembler stores the output in that directory, in a file with the extension lst. The filename will be the same as the name of the assembled source file, unless a different name has been specified with the option -o, in which case that name will be used.

To specify the working directory, replace directory with a period (.).

#### Example I

To generate a listing to the file list.1st, use:

ar32c sourcefile -1 list

#### Example 2

If you assemble the file mysource.s53 and want to generate a listing to a file mysource.lst in the working directory, you could use:

```
ar32c mysource -1 .
```

**Note:** Both \ and / can be used as directory delimiters.



To set related options, select:

# Project>Options>Assembler >List

-M -Mab

Specifies quote characters for macro arguments by setting the characters used for the left and right quotes of each macro argument to a and b respectively.

By default, the characters are < and >. The -M option allows you to change the quote characters to suit an alternative convention or simply to allow a macro argument to contain < or > themselves.

**Note:** Depending on your host environment, it may be necessary to use quote marks with the macro quote characters, for example:

ar32c filename -M'<>'

# Example

For example, using the option:

-M[]

in the source you would write, for example:

print [>]

to call a macro print with > as the argument.



# Project>Options>Assembler >Language>Macro quote characters

--mnem\_first --mnem\_first

The default behavior of the assembler is to treat all identifiers starting in the first column as labels.

Use this option to make mnemonics names (without a trailing colon) starting in the first column to be recognized as mnemonics.



# Project>Options>Assembler >Language>Allow mnemonics in first column

--no path in file macros

--no path in file macros

Use this option to exclude the path from the return value of the predefined preprocessor symbols \_\_FILE\_\_ and \_\_BASE\_FILE\_\_.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--no\_warnings --no\_warnings

By default the assembler issues standard warning messages. Use this option to disable all warning messages.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--no\_wrap\_diagnostics

--no\_wrap\_diagnostics

By default, long lines in assembler diagnostic messages are broken into several lines to make the message easier to read. Use this option to disable line wrapping of diagnostic messages.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

-o {filename | directory}

Use the -o option to specify an output file.

If a filename is specified, the assembler stores the object code in that file.

If a directory is specified, the assembler stores the object code in that directory, in a file with the same name as the name of the assembled source file, but with the extension r53. To specify the working directory, replace directory with a period (.).

# Example I

To store the assembler output in a file called obj.r53 in the mypath directory, you would use:

ar32c sourcefile -o \mypath\obj

#### Example 2

If you assemble the file mysource. s53 and want to store the assembler output in a file mysource.r53 in the working directory, you could use:

ar32c mysource -o .

**Note:** Both \ and / can be used as directory delimiters. You must include a space between the option itself and the filename.



Project>Options>General Options>Output>Output directories>Object files

--only\_stdout --only\_stdout

Causes the assembler to use stdout also for messages that are normally directed to stderr.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--preinclude --preinclude includefile

Use this option to make the compiler include the specified include file before it starts to read the source file. This is useful if you want to change something in the source code for the entire application, for instance if you want to define a new symbol.



To set this option, use:

# Project>Options>Assembler>Extra Options

--preprocess --preprocess=[c][n][1] {filename|directory}

Use this option to direct preprocessor output to a named file.

The following table shows the mapping of the available preprocessor modifiers:

Command line option	Description
preprocess=c	Preserve comments that otherwise are removed by the
	preprocessor, that is, C and C++ style comments.
	Assembler style comments are always preserved
preprocess=n	Preprocess only
preprocess=1	Generate #line directives

Table 13: Directing preprocessor output to file (--preprocess)

If a filename is specified, the assembler stores the output in that file.

If a directory is specified, the assembler stores the output in that directory, in a file with the extension i. The filename will be the same as the name of the assembled source file, unless a different name has been specified with the option -o, in which case that name will be used.

To specify the working directory, replace directory with a period (.).

#### Example I

To store the assembler output with preserved comments to the file output.i, use:

```
ar32c sourcefile --preprocess=c output
```

#### Example 2

If you assemble the file mysource. s53 and want to store the assembler output with #line directives to a file mysource.i in the working directory, you could use:

```
ar32c mysource --preprocess=1 .
```

**Note:** Both \ and / can be used as directory delimiters.



# Project>Options>Assembler >Preprocessor>Preprocessor output to file

-r, --debug --debug

-r

The --debug option makes the assembler generate debug information that allows a symbolic debugger such as the IAR C-SPY Debugger to be used on the program.

In order to reduce the size and link time of the object file, the assembler does not generate debug information by default.



Project>Options>Assembler >Output>Generate debug information

--remarks --remarks

Use this option to make the assembler generate remarks, which is the least severe type of diagnostic message and which indicates a source code construct that may cause strange behavior in the generated code. By default remarks are not generated.

See Severity levels, page 103, for additional information about diagnostic messages.



#### Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Enable remarks

--silent --silent

The --silent option causes the assembler to operate without sending any messages to the standard output stream.

By default, the assembler sends various non-vital messages via the standard output stream. You can use the --silent option to prevent this. The assembler sends error and warning messages to the error output stream, so they are displayed regardless of this setting.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--warnings\_affect\_exit\_code

--warnings\_affect\_exit\_code

By default the exit code is not affected by warnings, only errors produce a non-zero exit code. With this option, warnings will generate a non-zero exit code.



This option is not available in the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE.

--warnings\_are\_errors

--warnings\_are\_errors

Use this option to make the assembler treat all warnings as errors. If the assembler encounters an error, no object code is generated.

If you want to keep some warnings, you can use this option in combination with the option --diag\_warning. First make all warnings become treated as errors and then reset the ones that should still be treated as warnings, for example:

--diag warning=As001

For additional information, see --diag warning, page 24.



Project>Options>Assembler > Diagnostics>Treat all warnings as errors

# **Assembler operators**

This chapter first describes the precedence of the assembler operators, and then summarizes the operators, classified according to their precedence. Finally, this chapter provides reference information about each operator, presented in alphabetical order.

# **Precedence of operators**

Each operator has a precedence number assigned to it that determines the order in which the operator and its operands are evaluated. The precedence numbers range from 1 (the highest precedence, that is, first evaluated) to 15 (the lowest precedence, that is, last evaluated).

The following rules determine how expressions are evaluated:

- The highest precedence operators are evaluated first, then the second highest precedence operators, and so on until the lowest precedence operators are evaluated
- Operators of equal precedence are evaluated from left to right in the expression
- Parentheses ( and ) can be used for grouping operators and operands and for controlling the order in which the expressions are evaluated. For example, the following expression evaluates to 1:

```
7/(1+(2*3))
```

**Note:** The precedence order in the R32C IAR Assembler closely follows the precedence order of the ANSI C++ standard for operators, where applicable.

# Summary of assembler operators

The following tables give a summary of the operators, in order of priority. Synonyms, where available, are shown in brackets after the operator name.

# **PARENTHESIS OPERATOR - I**

() Parenthesis.

# **FUNCTION OPERATORS – 2**

BYTE1 First byte. BYTE2 Second byte. BYTE3 Third byte. BYTE4 Fourth byte. DATE Current date/time. HIGH High byte. HWRD High word. LOW Low byte. LWRD Low word. SFB Segment begin. SFE Segment end. SIZEOF Segment size. UPPER Third byte.

# **UNARY OPERATORS - 3**

+	Unary plus.
BINNOT [~]	Bitwise NOT.
NOT [!]	Logical NOT.
-	Unary minus.

# **MULTIPLICATIVE ARITHMETIC OPERATORS - 4**

\* Multiplication.

/ Division.

MOD [%] Modulo.

# **ADDITIVE ARITHMETIC OPERATORS - 5**

+ Addition.- Subtraction.

# **SHIFT OPERATORS - 6**

SHL [<<] Logical shift left.

SHR [>>] Logical shift right.

# **COMPARISON OPERATORS - 7**

GE [>=] Greater than or equal.

GT [>] Greater than.

LE [<=] Less than or equal.

 $\label{eq:less than.} \text{Less than.}$ 

ULT Unsigned greater than.
ULT Unsigned less than.

# **EQUIVALENCE OPERATORS - 8**

EQ [=] [==] Equal.

NE [<>] [!=] Not equal.

#### **LOGICAL OPERATORS – 9-14**

BINAND [&] Bitwise AND (9).

BINXOR [^] Bitwise exclusive OR (10).

BINOR [ ] Bitwise OR (11).

AND [&&] Logical AND (12).

XOR Logical exclusive OR (13).

OR [ | | ] Logical OR (14).

# **CONDITIONAL OPERATOR - 15**

?: Conditional operator.

# Description of assembler operators

The following sections give full descriptions of each assembler operator. The number within parentheses specifies the priority of the operator

() Parenthesis (1).

( and ) group expressions to be evaluated separately, overriding the default precedence order.

# Example

$$1+2*3 \rightarrow 7$$
  
(1+2)\*3 \rightarrow 9

\* Multiplication (4).

\* produces the product of its two operands. The operands are taken as signed 32-bit integers and the result is also a signed 32-bit integer.

# Example

$$2*2 \rightarrow 4$$

$$-2*2 \rightarrow -4$$

+ Unary plus (3).

Unary plus operator.

# Example

$$+3 \rightarrow 3$$
  
 $3*+2 \rightarrow 6$ 

# + Addition (5).

The + addition operator produces the sum of the two operands which surround it. The operands are taken as signed 32-bit integers and the result is also a signed 32-bit integer.

# Example

$$92+19 \rightarrow 111$$
  
 $-2+2 \rightarrow 0$   
 $-2+-2 \rightarrow -4$ 

# - Unary minus (3).

The unary minus operator performs arithmetic negation on its operand.

The operand is interpreted as a 32-bit signed integer and the result of the operator is the two's complement negation of that integer.

# Example

$$\begin{array}{c} -3 \rightarrow -3 \\ 3*-2 \rightarrow -6 \\ 4--5 \rightarrow 9 \end{array}$$

# - Subtraction (5).

The subtraction operator produces the difference when the right operand is taken away from the left operand. The operands are taken as signed 32-bit integers and the result is also signed 32-bit integer.

#### Example

$$92-19 \rightarrow 73$$
  
 $-2-2 \rightarrow -4$   
 $-2--2 \rightarrow 0$ 

# / Division (4).

/ produces the integer quotient of the left operand divided by the right operand. The operands are taken as signed 32-bit integers and the result is also a signed 32-bit integer.

# Example

$$9/2 \rightarrow 4$$

$$-12/3 \rightarrow -4$$

$$9/2*6 \rightarrow 24$$

# ?: Conditional operator (15).

The result of this operator is the first *expr* if *condition* evaluates to true and the second *expr* if *condition* evaluates to false.

**Note:** The question mark and a following label must be separated by space or a tab, otherwise the ? will be considered the first character of the label.

# **Syntax**

```
condition ? expr : expr
```

# Example

```
5 ? 6 : 7 \rightarrow 6
0 ? 6 : 7 \rightarrow 7
```

#### AND [&&] Logical AND (12).

Use AND to perform logical AND between its two integer operands. If both operands are non-zero the result is 1 (true), otherwise it will be 0 (false).

# Example

```
1010B AND 0011B \rightarrow 1 1010B AND 0101B \rightarrow 1 1010B AND 0000B \rightarrow 0
```

#### BINAND [&] Bitwise AND (9).

Use BINAND to perform bitwise AND between the integer operands. Each bit in the 32-bit result is the logical AND of the corresponding bits in the operands.

#### Example

```
1010B BINAND 0011B → 0010B
1010B BINAND 0101B → 0000B
1010B BINAND 0000B → 0000B
```

# BINNOT [~] Bitwise NOT (3).

Use BINNOT to perform bitwise NOT on its operand. Each bit in the 32-bit result is the complement of the corresponding bit in the operand.

# Example

# BINOR [ ] Bitwise OR (11).

Use BINOR to perform bitwise OR on its operands. Each bit in the 32-bit result is the inclusive OR of the corresponding bits in the operands.

# Example

```
1010B BINOR 0101B \rightarrow 1111B 1010B BINOR 0000B \rightarrow 1010B
```

#### BINXOR [^] Bitwise exclusive OR (10).

Use BINXOR to perform bitwise XOR on its operands. Each bit in the 32-bit result is the exclusive OR of the corresponding bits in the operands.

# Example

```
1010B BINXOR 0101B \rightarrow 1111B 1010B BINXOR 0011B \rightarrow 1001B
```

#### BYTE1 First byte (2).

EYTE1 takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned 32-bit integer value. The result is the low byte (bits 7 to 0) of the operand.

# Example

```
BYTE1 0x12345678 \rightarrow 0x78
```

# BYTE2 Second byte (2).

BYTE2 takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned 32-bit integer value. The result is the middle-low byte (bits 15 to 8) of the operand.

# Example

```
BYTE2 0x12345678 \rightarrow 0x56
```

# BYTE3 Third byte (2).

BYTE3 takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned 32-bit integer value. The result is the middle-high byte (bits 23 to 16) of the operand.

# Example

BYTE3  $0x12345678 \rightarrow 0x34$ 

#### BYTE4 Fourth byte (2).

BYTE4 takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned 32-bit integer value. The result is the high byte (bits 31 to 24) of the operand.

#### Example

BYTE4  $0x12345678 \rightarrow 0x12$ 

#### DATE Current date/time (2).

Use the DATE operator to specify when the current assembly began.

The DATE operator takes an absolute argument (expression) and returns:

- DATE 1 Current second (0–59)
- DATE 2 Current minute (0–59)
- DATE 3 Current hour (0–23)
- DATE 4 Current day (1–31)
- DATE 5 Current month (1–12)
- DATE 6 Current year MOD 100 (1998  $\rightarrow$  98, 2000  $\rightarrow$  00, 2002  $\rightarrow$  02)

#### Example

To assemble the date of assembly:

```
today: DC8 DATE 5, DATE 4, DATE 3
```

# EQ [=] [==] Equal (8).

= evaluates to 1 (true) if its two operands are identical in value, or to 0 (false) if its two operands are not identical in value.

# Example

$$1 = 2 \rightarrow 0$$

$$2 == 2 \rightarrow 1$$
'ABC' = 'ABCD' \rightarrow 0

# GE [>=] Greater than or equal (7).

>= evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand is equal to or has a higher numeric value than the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false).

# Example

$$1 >= 2 \rightarrow 0$$
  
 $2 >= 1 \rightarrow 1$   
 $1 >= 1 \rightarrow 1$ 

#### GT [>] Greater than (7).

> evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand has a higher numeric value than the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false).

#### Example

$$-1 > 1 \rightarrow 0$$
  
2 > 1 \rightarrow 1  
1 > 1 \rightarrow 0

# HIGH High byte (2).

HIGH takes a single operand to its right which is interpreted as an unsigned, 16-bit integer value. The result is the unsigned 8-bit integer value of the higher order byte of the operand.

#### Example

```
HIGH 0xABCD → 0xAB
```

# HWRD High word (2).

HWRD takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned, 32-bit integer value. The result is the high word (bits 31 to 16) of the operand.

# Example

HWRD 0x12345678 → 0x1234

# LE [ $\leq$ ] Less than or equal (7).

<= evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand has a lower or equal numeric value to the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false).

# Example

$$1 \leftarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$$

$$2 \ll 1 \rightarrow 0$$

# LOW Low byte (2).

LOW takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned, 32-bit integer value. The result is the unsigned, 8-bit integer value of the lower order byte of the operand.

# Example

LOW 0xABCD → 0xCD

#### LT [<] Less than (7).

< evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand has a lower numeric value than the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false).

# Example

$$-1 < 2 \rightarrow 1$$

$$2 < 1 \rightarrow 0$$

$$2 < 2 \rightarrow 0$$

LWRD Low word (2).

LWRD takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned, 32-bit integer value. The result is the low word (bits 15 to 0) of the operand.

#### Example

LWRD  $0x12345678 \rightarrow 0x5678$ 

MOD [%] Modulo (4).

MOD produces the remainder from the integer division of the left operand by the right operand. The operands are taken as signed 32-bit integers and the result is also a signed 32-bit integer.

X MOD Y is equivalent to X-Y\* (X/Y) using integer division.

# Example

NE [<>] [!=] Not equal (8).

<> evaluates to 0 (false) if its two operands are identical in value or to 1 (true) if its two operands are not identical in value.

# Example

NOT [!] Logical NOT (3).

Use NOT to negate a logical argument.

# Example

```
NOT 0101B \rightarrow 0
NOT 0000B \rightarrow 1
```

OR [||] Logical OR (14).

Use OR to perform a logical OR between two integer operands.

# Example

```
1010B OR 0000B \rightarrow 1 0000B OR 0000B \rightarrow 0
```

#### SFB Segment begin (2).

SFB accepts a single operand to its right. The operand must be the name of a relocatable segment. The operator evaluates to the absolute address of the first byte of that segment. This evaluation takes place at link time.

# **Syntax**

```
SFB(segment [\{+|-\}offset])
```

#### **Parameters**

segment The name of a relocatable segment, which must be defined before

SFB is used.

offset An optional offset from the start address. The parentheses are

optional if offset is omitted.

# Example

```
NAME demo
RSEG segtab:CONST
start: DC16 SFB(mycode)
```

Even if the above code is linked with many other modules, start will still be set to the address of the first byte of the segment.

```
SFE Segment end (2).
```

SFE accepts a single operand to its right. The operand must be the name of a relocatable segment. The operator evaluates to the segment start address plus the segment size. This evaluation takes place at link time.

# **Syntax**

```
SFE (segment [{+ | -} offset])
```

# **Parameters**

segment The name of a relocatable segment, which must be defined before

SFE is used.

offset An optional offset from the start address. The parentheses are

optional if offset is omitted.

# Example

```
NAME demo
RSEG segtab:CONST
end: DC16 SFE(mycode)
```

Even if the above code is linked with many other modules, end will still be set to the first byte after that segment (mycode).

The size of the segment MY\_SEGMENT can be calculated as:

```
SFE (MY_SEGMENT) - SFB (MY_SEGMENT)
```

#### SHL [<<] Logical shift left (6).

Use SHL to shift the left operand, which is always treated as unsigned, to the left. The number of bits to shift is specified by the right operand, interpreted as an integer value between 0 and 32.

# Example

```
00011100B SHL 3 \rightarrow 11100000B 00000111111111111B SHL 5 \rightarrow 111111111111100000B 14 SHL 1 \rightarrow 28
```

# SHR [>>] Logical shift right (6).

Use SHR to shift the left operand, which is always treated as unsigned, to the right. The number of bits to shift is specified by the right operand, interpreted as an integer value between 0 and 32.

#### Example

```
01110000B SHR 3 \rightarrow 00001110B 11111111111111111111 SHR 20 \rightarrow 0 14 SHR 1 \rightarrow 7
```

#### SIZEOF Segment size (2).

SIZEOF generates SFE-SFB for its argument, which should be the name of a relocatable segment; that is, it calculates the size in bytes of a segment. This is done when modules are linked together.

# **Syntax**

```
SIZEOF (segment)
```

# **Parameters**

segment Th

The name of a relocatable segment, which must be defined before SIZEOF is used.

# Example

The following code sets size to the size of the segment mycode.

```
MODULE table
                             ; forward declaration of mycode
      RSEG
              mycode:CODE
      RSEG
              segtab:CONST
size: DC32
              SIZEOF (mycode)
      ENDMOD
      MODULE
              application
      RSEG
              mycode: CODE
                             ;placeholder for application code
      NOP
      ENDMOD
```

UGT Unsigned greater than (7).

UGT evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand has a larger value than the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false). The operation treats its operands as unsigned values.

## Example

```
2 UGT 1 \rightarrow 1
-1 UGT 1 \rightarrow 1
```

ULT Unsigned less than (7).

ULT evaluates to 1 (true) if the left operand has a smaller value than the right operand, otherwise it will be 0 (false). The operation treats the operands as unsigned values.

#### Example

```
1 ULT 2 \rightarrow 1
-1 ULT 2 \rightarrow 0
```

UPPER Third byte (2).

UPPER takes a single operand, which is interpreted as an unsigned 32-bit integer value. The result is the middle-high byte (bits 23 to 16) of the operand.

# Example

UPPER 0x12345678 → 0x34

XOR Logical exclusive OR (13).

 ${\tt XOR}$  evaluates to 1 (true) if either the left operand or the right operand is non-zero, but to 0 (false) if both operands are zero or both are non-zero. Use  ${\tt XOR}$  to perform logical XOR on its two operands.

# Example

0101B XOR 1010B  $\rightarrow$  0 0101B XOR 0000B  $\rightarrow$  1

Description of assembler operators

# **Assembler directives**

This chapter gives an alphabetical summary of the assembler directives and provides detailed reference information for each category of directives.

# Summary of assembler directives

The assembler directives are classified into the following groups according to their function:

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- Symbol control directives, page 56
- Segment control directives, page 58
- Value assignment directives, page 63
- Conditional assembly directives, page 66
- Macro processing directives, page 68
- Listing control directives, page 73
- C-style preprocessor directives, page 76
- Data definition or allocation directives, page 81
- Assembler control directives, page 83
- Call frame information directives, page 86.

The following table gives a summary of all the assembler directives.

Directive	Description	Section
#define	Assigns a value to a label.	C-style preprocessor
#elif	Introduces a new condition in a #if#endif block.	C-style preprocessor
#else	Assembles instructions if a condition is false.	C-style preprocessor
#endif	Ends a #if, #ifdef, or #ifndef block.	C-style preprocessor
#error	Generates an error.	C-style preprocessor
#if	Assembles instructions if a condition is true.	C-style preprocessor
#ifdef	Assembles instructions if a symbol is defined.	C-style preprocessor
#ifndef	Assembles instructions if a symbol is undefined.	C-style preprocessor
#include	Includes a file.	C-style preprocessor

Table 14: Assembler directives summary

Directive	Description	Section
#line	Changes the line numbers.	C-style preprocessor
#pragma	Controls extension features.	C-style preprocessor
#undef	Undefines a label.	C-style preprocessor
/*comment*/	C-style comment delimiter.	Assembler control
//	C++style comment delimiter.	Assembler control
=	Assigns a permanent value local to a module.	Value assignment
ALIGN	Aligns the program location counter by inserting zero-filled bytes.	Segment control
ALIGNRAM	Aligns the program location counter.	Segment control
ASEG	Begins an absolute segment.	Segment control
ASEGN	Begins a named absolute segment.	Segment control
ASSIGN	Assigns a temporary value.	Value assignment
BLOCK	Specifies the block number for an alias created by the SYMBOL directive.	Symbol control
CASEOFF	Disables case sensitivity.	Assembler control
CASEON	Enables case sensitivity.	Assembler control
CFI	Specifies call frame information.	Call frame information
COMMON	Begins a common segment.	Segment control
DC8	Generates 8-bit constants, including strings.	Data definition or allocation
DC16	Generates 16-bit constants.	Data definition or allocation
DC24	Generates 24-bit constants.	Data definition or allocation
DC32	Generates 32-bit constants.	Data definition or allocation
DC64	Generates 64-bit constants.	Data definition or allocation
DEFINE	Defines a file-wide value.	Value assignment
DF32	Generates 32-bit floating-point constants.	Data definition or allocation
DF64	Generates 64-bit floating-point constants.	Data definition or allocation

Table 14: Assembler directives summary (Continued)

Directive	Description	Section
DQ15	Generates 16-bit fractional constants.	Data definition or allocation
DQ31	Generates 32-bit fractional constants.	Data definition or allocation
DS8	Allocates space for 8-bit integers.	Data definition or allocation
DS16	Allocates space for 16-bit integers.	Data definition or allocation
DS24	Allocates space for 24-bit integers.	Data definition or allocation
DS32	Allocates space for 32-bit integers.	Data definition or allocation
DS64	Allocates space for 64-bit integers.	Data definition or allocation
ELSE	Assembles instructions if a condition is false.	Conditional assembly
ELSEIF	Specifies a new condition in an ${\tt IFENDIF}$ block.	Conditional assembly
END	Terminates the assembly of the last module in a file.	Module control
ENDIF	Ends an IF block.	Conditional assembly
ENDM	Ends a macro definition.	Macro processing
ENDMOD	Terminates the assembly of the current module.	Module control
ENDR	Ends a repeat structure.	Macro processing
EQU	Assigns a permanent value local to a module.	Value assignment
EVEN	Aligns the program counter to an even address.	Segment control
EXITM	Exits prematurely from a macro.	Macro processing
EXTERN	Imports an external symbol.	Symbol control
IF	Assembles instructions if a condition is true.	Conditional assembly
IMPORT	Imports an external symbol.	Symbol control
LIBRARY	Begins a library module.	Module control
LIMIT	Checks a value against limits.	Value assignment
LOCAL	Creates symbols local to a macro.	Macro processing
LSTCND	Controls conditional assembly listing.	Listing control
LSTCOD	Controls multi-line code listing.	Listing control
LSTEXP	Controls the listing of macro generated lines.	Listing control

Table 14: Assembler directives summary (Continued)

Directive	Description	Section
LSTMAC	Controls the listing of macro definitions.	Listing control
LSTOUT	Controls assembler-listing output.	Listing control
LSTREP	Controls the listing of lines generated by repeat directives.	Listing control
LSTXRF	Generates a cross-reference table.	Listing control
MACRO	Defines a macro.	Macro processing
MODULE	Begins a library module.	Module control
NAME	Begins a program module.	Module control
ODD	Aligns the program location counter to an odd address.	Segment control
ORG	Sets the program location counter.	Segment control
OVERLAY	Recognized but ignored.	Symbol control
PROGRAM	Begins a program module.	Module control
PUBLIC	Exports symbols to other modules.	Symbol control
PUBWEAK	Exports symbols to other modules, multiple definitions allowed.	Symbol control
RADIX	Sets the default base.	Assembler control
REPT	Assembles instructions a specified number of times.	Macro processing
REPTC	Repeats and substitutes characters.	Macro processing
REPTI	Repeats and substitutes strings.	Macro processing
REQUIRE	Forces a symbol to be referenced.	Symbol control
RSEG	Begins a relocatable segment.	Segment control
RTMODEL	Declares runtime model attributes.	Module control
SET	Assigns a temporary value.	Value assignment
SYMBOL	Creates an alias that can be used for referring to a C/C++ symbol.	Symbol control
VAR	Assigns a temporary value.	Value assignment

Table 14: Assembler directives summary (Continued)

# **Module control directives**

Module control directives are used for marking the beginning and end of source program modules, and for assigning names and types to them. See *Expression restrictions*, page

12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
END	Terminates the assembly of the last module in a file.	Only locally defined labels or integer constants
ENDMOD	Terminates the assembly of the current module.	Only locally defined labels or integer constants
LIBRARY	Begins a library module.	No external references Absolute
MODULE	Begins a library module.	No external references Absolute
NAME	Begins a program module.	No external references Absolute
PROGRAM	Begins a program module.	No external references Absolute
RTMODEL	Declares runtime model attributes.	Not applicable

Table 15: Module control directives

# **SYNTAX**

```
END [address]

ENDMOD [address]

LIBRARY symbol [(expr)]

MODULE symbol [(expr)]

NAME symbol [(expr)]

PROGRAM symbol [(expr)]

RTMODEL key, value
```

# **PARAMETERS**

address	An optional expression that determines the start address of the program. It can take any positive integer value.
expr	An optional expression used by the compiler to encode the runtime options. It must be within the range 0-255 and evaluate to a constant value. The expression is only meaningful if you are assembling source code that originates as assembler output from the compiler.
key	A text string specifying the key.

symbol Name assigned to module, used by XLINK, XAR, and XLIB when

processing object files.

value A text string specifying the value.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

# Beginning a program module

Use NAME or PROGRAM to begin a program module, and to assign a name for future reference by the IAR XLINK Linker, the IAR XAR Library Builder, and the IAR XLIB Librarian.

Program modules are unconditionally linked by XLINK, even if other modules do not reference them.

# Beginning a library module

Use MODULE or LIBRARY to create libraries containing a number of small modules—like runtime systems for high-level languages—where each module often represents a single routine. With the multi-module facility, you can significantly reduce the number of source and object files needed.

Library modules are only copied into the linked code if other modules reference a public symbol in the module.

# Terminating a module

Use ENDMOD to define the end of a module.

# Terminating the source file

Use END to indicate the end of the source file. Any lines after the END directive are ignored. The END directive also terminates the last module in the file, if this is not done explicitly with an ENDMOD directive.

# Assembling multi-module files

Program entries must be either relocatable or absolute, and will show up in XLINK load maps, as well as in some of the hexadecimal absolute output formats. Program entries must not be defined externally.

The following rules apply when assembling multi-module files:

 At the beginning of a new module all user symbols are deleted, except for those created by DEFINE, #define, or MACRO, the location counters are cleared, and the mode is set to absolute. • Listing control directives remain in effect throughout the assembly.

**Note:** END must always be placed after the *last* module, and there must not be any source lines (except for comments and listing control directives) between an ENDMOD and the next module (beginning with MODULE, LIBRARY, NAME, or PROGRAM).

If any of the directives NAME, MODULE, LIBRARY, or PROGRAM is missing, the module will be assigned the name of the source file and the attribute program.

# Declaring runtime model attributes

Use RTMODEL to enforce consistency between modules. All modules that are linked together and define the same runtime attribute key must have the same value for the corresponding key value, or the special value \*. Using the special value \* is equivalent to not defining the attribute at all. It can however be useful to explicitly state that the module can handle any runtime model.

A module can have several runtime model definitions.

**Note:** The compiler runtime model attributes start with double underscores. In order to avoid confusion, this style must not be used in the user-defined assembler attributes.

If you are writing assembler routines for use with C or C++ code, and you want to control the module consistency, refer to the R32C IAR C/C++ Compiler Reference Guide

#### Examples

The following example defines three modules where:

- MOD\_1 and MOD\_2 cannot be linked together since they have different values for runtime model foo.
- MOD\_1 and MOD\_3 can be linked together since they have the same definition of runtime model bar and no conflict in the definition of foo.
- MOD\_2 and MOD\_3 can be linked together since they have no runtime model conflicts. The value \* matches any runtime model value.

```
MODULE MOD_1
RTMODEL "foo", "1"
RTMODEL "bar", "XXX"
...
ENDMOD

MODULE MOD_2
RTMODEL "foo", "2"
RTMODEL "bar", "*"
...
ENDMOD
```

```
MODULE MOD_3
RTMODEL "bar", "XXX"
...
END
```

# Symbol control directives

These directives control how symbols are shared between modules.

Directive	Description
BLOCK	Specifies the block number for an alias created by the SYMBOL directive.
EXTERN, IMPORT	Imports an external symbol.
OVERLAY	Recognized but ignored.
PUBLIC	Exports symbols to other modules.
PUBWEAK	Exports symbols to other modules, multiple definitions allowed.
REQUIRE	Forces a symbol to be referenced.
SYMBOL	Creates an alias for a C/C++ symbol.

Table 16: Symbol control directives

# **SYNTAX**

```
label BLOCK old_label, block_number
EXTERN symbol [,symbol] ...
IMPORT symbol [,symbol] ...
PUBLIC symbol [,symbol] ...
PUBWEAK symbol [,symbol] ...
REQUIRE symbol
label SYMBOL "C/C++_symbol" [,old_label]
```

# **PARAMETERS**

block_number	Block number of the alias created by the SYMBOL directive.
C/C++_symbol	C/C++ symbol to create an alias for.
label	Label to be used as an alias for a C/C++ symbol.
old_label	Alias created earlier by a SYMBOL directive.
symbol	Symbol to be imported or exported.

# **DESCRIPTIONS**

# **Exporting symbols to other modules**

Use PUBLIC to make one or more symbols available to other modules. Symbols defined PUBLIC can be relocatable or absolute, and can also be used in expressions (with the same rules as for other symbols).

The PUBLIC directive always exports full 32-bit values, which makes it feasible to use global 32-bit constants also in assemblers for 8-bit and 16-bit processors. With the LOW, HIGH, >>, and << operators, any part of such a constant can be loaded in an 8-bit or 16-bit register or word.

There are no restrictions on the number of PUBLIC-defined symbols in a module.

# Exporting symbols with multiple definitions to other modules

PUBWEAK is similar to PUBLIC except that it allows the same symbol to be defined several times. Only one of those definitions will be used by XLINK. If a module containing a PUBLIC definition of a symbol is linked with one or more modules containing PUBWEAK definitions of the same symbol, XLINK will use the PUBLIC definition.

A symbol defined as PUBWEAK must be a label in a segment part, and it must be the *only* symbol defined as PUBLIC or PUBWEAK in that segment part.

**Note:** Library modules are only linked if a reference to a symbol in that module is made, and that symbol has not already been linked. During the module selection phase, no distinction is made between PUBLIC and PUBWEAK definitions. This means that to ensure that the module containing the PUBLIC definition is selected, you should link it before the other modules, or make sure that a reference is made to some other PUBLIC symbol in that module.

# Importing symbols

Use EXTERN or IMPORT to import an untyped external symbol.

The REQUIRE directive marks a symbol as referenced. This is useful if the segment part containing the symbol must be loaded for the code containing the reference to work, but the dependence is not otherwise evident.

# Referring to scoped C/C++ symbols

Use the SYMBOL directive to create an alias for a C/C++ symbol. The alias can be used for referring to the C/C++ symbol. The symbol and the alias must be located within the same scope.

Use the BLOCK directive to provide the block scope for the alias.

Typically, the SYMBOL and the BLOCK directives are for compiler internal use only, for example when referring to objects inside classes or namespaces. For detailed information about how to use these directives, declare and define your C/C++ symbol, compile, and view the assembler listfile output.

# **EXAMPLES**

The following example defines a subroutine to print an error message, and exports the entry address err so that it can be called from other modules.

Because the message is enclosed in double quotes, the string will be followed by a zero byte.

It defines print as an external routine; the address will be resolved at link time.

	NAME	error	
	EXTERN	print	
	PUBLIC	err	
	RSEG	CODE24:CODE	
str			
	DC8	"** Error **"	
err			
	MOVA	str,A0	
	JSR	print	
	END		

# **Segment control directives**

The segment directives control how code and data are located. See *Expression restrictions*, page 12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
ALIGN	Aligns the program location counter by inserting zero-filled bytes.	No external references Absolute
ALIGNRAM	Aligns the program location counter.	No external references Absolute
ASEG	Begins an absolute segment.	No external references Absolute
ASEGN	Begins a named absolute segment.	No external references Absolute
COMMON	Begins a common segment.	No external references Absolute

Table 17: Segment control directives

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
EVEN	Aligns the program counter to an even address.	No external references Absolute
ODD	Aligns the program counter to an odd address.	No external references Absolute
ORG	Sets the location counter.	No external references Absolute (see below)
RSEG	Begins a relocatable segment.	No external references Absolute

Table 17: Segment control directives (Continued)

# **SYNTAX**

```
ALIGN align [,value]
ALIGNRAM align
ASEG [start]
ASEGN segment [:type], address
COMMON segment [:type] [(align)]
EVEN [value]
ODD [value]
ORG expr
RSEG segment [:type] [flag] [(align)]
```

# **PARAMETERS**

address	Address where this segment part will be placed.
align	The power of two to which the address should be aligned, in most cases in the range 0 to 30.  The default align value is 1, except for stack data where the default is 4.
expr	Address to set the location counter to.
flag	NOROOT, ROOT  NOROOT means that the segment part is discarded by the linker if no symbols in this segment part are referred to. Normally, all segment parts except startup code and interrupt vectors should set this flag. The default mode is ROOT which indicates that the segment part must not be discarded.

REORDER, NOREORDER

REORDER allows the linker to reorder segment parts. For a given segment, all segment parts must specify the same state for this flag. The default mode is NOREORDER which indicates that the segment parts must remain in order.

SORT, NOSORT

SORT means that the linker will sort the segment parts in decreasing alignment order. For a given segment, all segment parts must specify the same state for this flag. The default mode is NOSORT which indicates that the segment parts will not be sorted.

segment The name of the segment.

start A start address that has the same effect as using an ORG directive at

the beginning of the absolute segment.

The memory type, typically CODE or DATA. In addition, any of the

types supported by the IAR XLINK Linker.

value Byte value used for padding, default is zero.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

# Beginning an absolute segment

Use ASEG to set the absolute mode of assembly, which is the default at the beginning of a module.

If the parameter is omitted, the start address of the first segment is 0, and subsequent segments continue after the last address of the previous segment.

# Beginning a named absolute segment

Use ASEGN to start a named absolute segment located at the address address.

This directive has the advantage of allowing you to specify the memory type of the segment.

# Beginning a relocatable segment

Use RSEG to set the current mode of the assembly to relocatable assembly mode. The assembler maintains separate location counters (initially set to zero) for all segments, which makes it possible to switch segments and mode anytime without the need to save the current segment location counter.

Up to 65536 unique, relocatable segments may be defined in a single module.

# Beginning a common segment

Use COMMON to place data in memory at the same location as COMMON segments from other modules that have the same name. In other words, all COMMON segments of the same name will start at the same location in memory and overlay each other.

Obviously, the COMMON segment type should not be used for overlaid executable code. A typical application would be when you want a number of different routines to share a reusable, common area of memory for data.

It can be practical to have the interrupt vector table in a COMMON segment, thereby allowing access from several routines.

The final size of the COMMON segment is determined by the size of largest occurrence of this segment. The location in memory is determined by the XLINK -z command; see the *IAR Linker and Library Tools Reference Guide*.

Use the align parameter in any of the above directives to align the segment start address.

# Setting the program location counter (PLC)

Use ORG to set the program location counter of the current segment to the value of an expression. When ORG is used in an absolute segment (ASEG), the parameter expression must be absolute. However, when ORG is used in a relative segment (RSEG), the expression may be either absolute or relative (and the value is interpreted as an offset relative to the segment start in both cases).

The program location counter is set to zero at the beginning of an assembler module.

#### Aligning a segment

Use ALIGN to align the program location counter to a specified address boundary. The expression gives the power of two to which the program counter should be aligned and the permitted range is 0 to 8.

The alignment is made relative to the segment start; normally this means that the segment alignment must be at least as large as that of the alignment directive to give the desired result.

ALIGN aligns by inserting zero/filled bytes, up to a maximum of 255. The EVEN directive aligns the program counter to an even address (which is equivalent to ALIGN  $\,^1$ ) and the ODD directive aligns the program location counter to an odd address. The byte value for padding must be within the range 0 to 255.

Use ALIGNRAM to align the program location counter by incrementing it; no data is generated. The expression can be within the range 0 to 30.

#### **EXAMPLES**

# Beginning an absolute segment

The following example places a boot loader stub in the internal ROM area and jumps to main if the startup mode pin was high.

```
MODULE boot_load
PUBLIC boot_loader
EXTERN main

// locate the boot loader in the internal ROM memory area
ASEGN CODE32:CODE:ROOT,0x60000

boot_loader:
    btst 1,0x3C0:16 ; test startup mode pin
    jz ??start_load
    mova main,a0
    jmpi.l a0 ; pin was high, jump to main
??start load: ; pin was low, start loading
```

# Beginning a relocatable segment

In the following example, the data following the first RSEG directive is placed in a relocatable segment called table.

The code following the second RSEG directive is placed in a relocatable segment called code:

```
EXTERN subrtn, divrtn
RSEG table

functable: ; place the external symbols in a table
DC32 subrtn, divrtn

RSEG code
PUBLIC main

main:

jsri.l functable ; call the two functions in functable
jsri.l functable+4
rts
```

# Beginning a common segment

The following example defines two common segments containing variables:

```
| NAME | common1 | COMMON | data | data | count | DC32 | 1 | ENDMOD | |
```

	NAME	common2
	COMMON	data
up	DS8	1
	DS8	2
down	DS8	1
	END	

Because the common segments have the same name, data, the variables up and down refer to the same locations in memory as the first and last bytes of the 4-byte variable count.

# Aligning a segment

This example starts a relocatable segment, moves to an even address, and adds some data. It then aligns to a 64-byte boundary, filling any intermediate space with 0xFF, before creating a 64-byte table.

```
RSEG data ; start a relocatable segment
EVEN ; make sure the data is word-aligned
target DC16 1
best DC16 1
ALIGN 6,0xFF ; Now align to a 64-byte boundary,
; padding with 0xFF
results DS8 64 ; and create a 64 byte table
```

# Value assignment directives

These directives are used for assigning values to symbols.

Directive	Description
=, EQU	Assigns a permanent value local to a module.
ASSIGN, SET, VAR	Assigns a temporary value.
DEFINE	Defines a file-wide value.
LIMIT	Checks a value against limits.

Table 18: Value assignment directives

### **SYNTAX**

```
label = expr
label ASSIGN expr
label DEFINE expr
label EQU expr
LIMIT expr, min, max, message
label SET expr
```

label VAR expr

#### **PARAMETERS**

expr Value assigned to symbol or value to be tested.

1abel Symbol to be defined.

message A text message that will be printed when expr is out of range.

min, max The minimum and maximum values allowed for expr.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

#### Defining a temporary value

Use ASSIGN, SET, or VAR to define a symbol that may be redefined, such as for use with macro variables. Symbols defined with ASSIGN, SET, or VAR cannot be declared PUBLIC.

# Defining a permanent local value

Use EQU or = to assign a value to a symbol.

Use EQU or = to create a local symbol that denotes a number or offset. The symbol is only valid in the module in which it was defined, but can be made available to other modules with a PUBLIC directive (but not with a PUBWEAK directive).

Use EXTERN to import symbols from other modules.

#### Defining a permanent global value

Use DEFINE to define symbols that should be known to the module containing the directive and all modules following that module in the same source file. If a DEFINE directive is placed outside of a module, the symbol will be known to all modules following the directive in the same source file.

A symbol which has been given a value with DEFINE can be made available to modules in other files with the PUBLIC directive.

Symbols defined with DEFINE cannot be redefined within the same file.

#### Checking symbol values

Use LIMIT to check that expressions lie within a specified range. If the expression is assigned a value outside the range, an error message will appear.

The check will occur as soon as the expression is resolved, which will be during linking if the expression contains external references. The min and max expressions cannot

involve references to forward or external labels, that is they must be resolved when encountered.

#### **EXAMPLES**

# Redefining a symbol

The following example uses SET to redefine the symbol cons in a REPT loop to generate a table of the first 8 powers of 3:

```
NAME
               table
; Generate table of powers of 3
cons
       SET
               1
cr_tabl MACRO
               times
       DC16
               cons
cons
       SET
               cons*3
       IF
               times>1
       cr_tabl times-1
       ENDIF
       ENDM
       RSEG CODE
table:
       cr_tabl 4
       END table
```

# Using local and global symbols

In the following example the symbol value defined in module add12 is local to that module; a distinct symbol of the same name is defined in module add20. The DEFINE directive is used for declaring SRO for use anywhere in the file:

```
add1
        NAME
        PUBLIC add12
SR0
        DEFINE 0x400
value
        EOU
                12
        RSEG CODE
add12:
        ADD.W
                #value, SR0
        RTS
        ENDMOD
        NAME
                add2
        PUBLIC add20
value
        EQU
                20
```

```
RSEG CODE
add20:
ADD.W #value,SR0
RTS
RETURN
```

The symbol SR0 defined in module add12 is also available to module add20.

# Using the LIMIT directive

The following example sets the value of a variable called speed and then checks it, at assembly time, to see if it is in the range 10 to 30. This might be useful if speed is often changed at compile time, but values outside a defined range would cause undesirable behavior.

speed SET 23
LIMIT speed,10,30, "Speed is out of range!"

# **Conditional assembly directives**

These directives provide logical control over the selective assembly of source code. See *Expression restrictions*, page 12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
ELSE	Assembles instructions if a condition is false.	
ELSEIF	Specifies a new condition in an IFENDIF block.	No forward references No external references Absolute Fixed
ENDIF	Ends an IF block.	
IF	Assembles instructions if a condition is true.	No forward references No external references Absolute Fixed

Table 19: Conditional assembly directives

#### **SYNTAX**

ELSEIF condition
ENDIF

IF condition

#### **PARAMETERS**

condition	One of the following:		
	An absolute expression	The expression must not contain forward or external references, and any non-zero value is considered as true.	
	string1==string2	The condition is true if <i>string1</i> and <i>string2</i> have the same length and contents.	
	string1!=string2	The condition is true if <i>string1</i> and <i>string2</i> have different length or contents.	

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

Use the IF, ELSE, and ENDIF directives to control the assembly process at assembly time. If the condition following the IF directive is not true, the subsequent instructions will not generate any code (that is, it will not be assembled or syntax checked) until an ELSE or ENDIF directive is found.

Use ELSEIF to introduce a new condition after an IF directive. Conditional assembly directives may be used anywhere in an assembly, but have their greatest use in conjunction with macro processing.

All assembler directives (except for END) as well as the inclusion of files may be disabled by the conditional directives. Each IF directive must be terminated by an ENDIF directive. The ELSE directive is optional, and if used, it must be inside an IF...ENDIF block. IF...ENDIF and IF...ELSE...ENDIF blocks may be nested to any level.

#### **EXAMPLES**

The following macro adds a constant to a byte variable in memory:

```
addmac MACRO a,b ; a should be a general operand, ; b should be a literal IF b=1 INC.W a ELSE ADD.W #b,a
```

ENDIF ENDM

If the argument to the macro is 1, it generates an INC instruction; otherwise it generates an ADD instruction.

It could be tested with the following program:

```
SR0 DEFINE 0x400
SR1 DEFINE 0x402
RSEG CODE
main:

MOV.B #0x0F, SR0
addmac SR0, 0x12
addmac SR1, 1
RTS

END
```

# **Macro processing directives**

These directives allow user macros to be defined. See *Expression restrictions*, page 12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
ENDM	Ends a macro definition.	
ENDR	Ends a repeat structure.	
EXITM	Exits prematurely from a macro.	
LOCAL	Creates symbols local to a macro.	
MACRO	Defines a macro.	
REPT	Assembles instructions a specified number of times.	No forward references No external references Absolute Fixed
REPTC	Repeats and substitutes characters.	
REPTI	Repeats and substitutes text.	

Table 20: Macro processing directives

#### **SYNTAX**

ENDM ENDR

EXITM

```
LOCAL symbol [,symbol] ...

name MACRO [argument] [,argument] ...

REPT expr

REPTC formal,actual

REPTI formal,actual [,actual] ...
```

#### **PARAMETERS**

 actual
 A string to be substituted.

 argument
 A symbolic argument name.

 expr
 An expression.

 formal
 An argument into which each character of actual (REPTC) or each actual (REPTI) is substituted.

 name
 The name of the macro.

 symbol
 A symbol to be local to the macro.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

A macro is a user-defined symbol that represents a block of one or more assembler source lines. Once you have defined a macro you can use it in your program like an assembler directive or assembler mnemonic.

When the assembler encounters a macro, it looks up the macro's definition, and inserts the lines that the macro represents as if they were included in the source file at that position.

Macros perform simple text substitution effectively, and you can control what they substitute by supplying parameters to them.

# Defining a macro

You define a macro with the statement:

```
name MACRO [argument] [,argument] ...
```

Here name is the name you are going to use for the macro, and argument is an argument for values that you want to pass to the macro when it is expanded.

For example, you could define a macro errmac as follows:

```
EXTERN abort
errmac MACRO text
MOVA $+9,A0
JMP abort
```

```
DC8 text
```

This macro uses a parameter text to set up an error message for a routine abort. You would call the macro with a statement such as:

```
errmac 'Disk not ready'
```

The assembler will expand this to:

```
JSR abort
DC8 'Disk not ready',0
```

If you omit a list of one or more arguments, the arguments you supply when calling the macro are called  $\ 1\ to \ 9\ and \ A\ to \ Z$ .

The previous example could therefore be written as follows:

```
errmac MACRO

JSR abort

DC8 \1,0

ENDM
```

Use the EXITM directive to generate a premature exit from a macro.

EXITM is not allowed inside REPT...ENDR, REPTC...ENDR, or REPTI...ENDR blocks.

Use LOCAL to create symbols local to a macro. The LOCAL directive must be used before the symbol is used.

Each time that a macro is expanded, new instances of local symbols are created by the LOCAL directive. Therefore, it is legal to use local symbols in recursive macros.

**Note:** It is illegal to *redefine* a macro.

# Passing special characters

Macro arguments that include commas or white space can be forced to be interpreted as one argument by using the matching quote characters < and > in the macro call.

For example:

```
macld MACRO op
MOV.L op
ENDM
```

The macro can be called using the macro quote characters:

```
macld <0x800, 0x900>
END
```

You can redefine the macro quote characters with the -M command line option; see -M, page 28.

# Predefined macro symbols

The symbol \_args is set to the number of arguments passed to the macro. The following example shows how \_args can be used:

```
FILL MACRO

IF _args == 2

REPT \1

DC8 \2

ENDR

ELSE

DC8 \1

ENDIF

ENDM

RSEG CODE

FILL 3, 4

FILL 3

END
```

#### How macros are processed

There are three distinct phases in the macro process:

- 1 The assembler performs scanning and saving of macro definitions. The text between MACRO and ENDM is saved but not syntax checked.
- 2 A macro call forces the assembler to invoke the macro processor (expander). The macro expander switches (if not already in a macro) the assembler input stream from a source file to the output from the macro expander. The macro expander takes its input from the requested macro definition.
  - The macro expander has no knowledge of assembler symbols since it only deals with text substitutions at source level. Before a line from the called macro definition is handed over to the assembler, the expander scans the line for all occurrences of symbolic macro arguments, and replaces them with their expansion arguments.
- 3 The expanded line is then processed as any other assembler source line. The input stream to the assembler will continue to be the output from the macro processor, until all lines of the current macro definition have been read.

### Repeating statements

Use the REPT...ENDR structure to assemble the same block of instructions a number of times. If *expr* evaluates to 0 nothing will be generated.

Use REPTC to assemble a block of instructions once for each character in a string. If the string contains a comma it should be enclosed in quotation marks.

Only double quotes have a special meaning and their only use is to enclose the characters to iterate over. Single quotes have no special meaning and are treated as any ordinary character.

Use REPTI to assemble a block of instructions once for each string in a series of strings. Strings containing commas should be enclosed in quotation marks.

#### **EXAMPLES**

This section gives examples of the different ways in which macros can make assembler programming easier.

# **Coding inline for efficiency**

In time-critical code it is often desirable to code routines inline to avoid the overhead of a subroutine call and return. Macros provide a convenient way of doing this.

The following example outputs bytes from a buffer to a port:

	NAME	play
portb	VAR	0x18
	RSEG	DATA
buffer	DS	256
	RSEG	CODE
play	MOVA	buffer,A0
	MOVA	portb,A1
	MOV.L	#255,R7R5
	SOUT.B	
	RTS	
	END	

The main program calls this routine as follows:

```
doplay JSR play
```

For efficiency we can recode this using a macro:

	NAME	play
portb	VAR	0x18
	RSEG	DATA
buffer	DS	256
play	MACRO	
	MOVA	buffer,A0

```
MOVA portb,A1
MOV.L #255,R7R5
SOUT.B
ENDM

RSEG CODE
play
END
```

# Using REPTC and REPTI

The following example assembles a series of calls to a subroutine plot to plot each character in a string:

```
NAME reptc

EXTERN plotc
banner REPTC chr, "Welcome"

MOV.B #'chr',ROL ; Pass char in ROL as a parameter
JSR plotc
ENDR

END
```

The following example uses REPTI to clear a number of memory locations:

```
NAME repti

EXTERN base, count, init

banner REPTI adds, base, count, init

MOV.L #0, adds
ENDR

END
```

# Listing control directives

These directives provide control over the assembler list file.

Directive	Description
LSTCND	Controls conditional assembly listing.
LSTCOD	Controls multi-line code listing.

Table 21: Listing control directives

Directive	Description
LSTEXP	Controls the listing of macro-generated lines.
LSTMAC	Controls the listing of macro definitions.
LSTOUT	Controls assembly-listing output.
LSTREP	Controls the listing of lines generated by repeat directives.
LSTXRF	Generates a cross-reference table.

Table 21: Listing control directives (Continued)

#### **SYNTAX**

$$\begin{split} & LSTCND\{+ \mid -\} \\ & LSTCOD\{+ \mid -\} \\ & LSTEXP\{+ \mid -\} \\ & LSTMAC\{+ \mid -\} \\ & LSTOUT\{+ \mid -\} \\ & LSTREP\{+ \mid -\} \end{split}$$

LSTXRF{+|-}

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

# Turning the listing on or off

Use LSTOUT- to disable all list output except error messages. This directive overrides all other listing control directives.

The default is LSTOUT+, which lists the output (if a list file was specified).

# Listing conditional code and strings

Use LSTCND+ to force the assembler to list source code only for the parts of the assembly that are not disabled by previous conditional IF statements.

The default setting is LSTCND-, which lists all source lines.

Use LSTCOD+ to list more than one line of code for a source line, if needed; that is, long ASCII strings will produce several lines of output.

The default setting is LSTCOD-, which restricts the listing of output code to just the first line of code for a source line.

Using the LSTCND and LSTCOD directives does not affect code generation.

#### Controlling the listing of macros

Use LSTEXP- to disable the listing of macro-generated lines. The default is LSTEXP+, which lists all macro-generated lines.

Use LSTMAC+ to list macro definitions. The default is LSTMAC-, which disables the listing of macro definitions.

# Controlling the listing of generated lines

Use LSTREP- to turn off the listing of lines generated by the directives REPT, REPTC, and REPTI.

The default is LSTREP+, which lists the generated lines.

# Generating a cross-reference table

Use LSTXRF+ to generate a cross-reference table at the end of the assembler list for the current module. The table shows values and line numbers, and the type of the symbol.

The default is LSTXRF-, which does not give a cross-reference table.

#### **EXAMPLES**

# Turning the listing on or off

To disable the listing of a debugged section of program:

```
LSTOUT-
; Debugged section
LSTOUT+
; Not yet debugged
```

# Listing conditional code and strings

The following example shows how LSTCND+ hides a call to a subroutine that is disabled by an IF directive:

```
NAME lstendtst
EXTERN print

RSEG prom

debug SET 0
begin IF debug
JSR print
ENDIF

LSTCND+
```

```
begin2 IF debug
JSR print
ENDIF
```

# Controlling the listing of macros

The following example shows the effect of LSTMAC and LSTEXP:

dec2	MACRO	arg
	DEC.L	arg
	DEC.L	arg
	ENDM	
	LSTMAC-	-
inc2	MACRO	arg
	INC.L	arg
	INC.L	arg
	ENDM	
	EXTERN	memlock
begin	dec2	memlock
	LSTEXP-	_
	inc2	memlock
	RTS	
	END	begin

# C-style preprocessor directives

The following C-language preprocessor directives are available:

Directive	Description
#define	Assigns a value to a preprocessor symbol.
#elif	Introduces a new condition in an #if#endif block.
#else	Assembles instructions if a condition is false.
#endif	Ends an #if, #ifdef, or #ifndef block.
#error	Generates an error.
#if	Assembles instructions if a condition is true.
#ifdef	Assembles instructions if a preprocessor symbol is defined.
#ifndef	Assembles instructions if a preprocessor symbol is undefined.

Table 22: C-style preprocessor directives

Directive	Description
#include	Includes a file.
#line	Changes the line numbers of the source code lines immediately following the #line directive, or the filename of the file being compiled.
#pragma	Controls extension features. The supported #pragma directives are described in the chapter <i>Pragma directives</i> .
#undef	Undefines a preprocessor symbol.

Table 22: C-style preprocessor directives (Continued)

# **SYNTAX**

```
#define symbol text
#elif condition
#else
#endif
#error "message"
#if condition
#ifdef symbol
#ifndef symbol
#include {"filename" | <filename>}
#undef symbol
```

### **PARAMETERS**

condition	An absolute expression	The expression must not contain any assembler labels or symbols, and any non-zero value is considered as true.
filename	Name of file to be included.	
message	Text to be displayed.	
symbol	Preprocessor symbol to be defined, undefined, or tested.	
text	Value to be assigned.	

### **DESCRIPTIONS**

It is important to avoid mixing the assembler language with the C-style preprocessor directives. Conceptually, they are different languages and mixing them may lead to

unexpected behavior because an assembler directive is not necessarily accepted as a part of the C preprocessor language.

Note that the preprocessor directives are processed before other directives. As an example avoid constructs like:

because the  $\ \ 1$  and  $\ \ 2$  macro arguments will not be available during the preprocessing phase.

# Defining and undefining preprocessor symbols

Use #define to define a value of a preprocessor symbol.

```
#define symbol value
is similar to:
symbol ASSIGN value
```

Use #undef to undefine a symbol; the effect is as if it had not been defined.

# Conditional preprocessor directives

Use the #if...#else...#endif directives to control the assembly process at assembly time. If the condition following the #if directive is not true, the subsequent instructions will not generate any code (that is, it will not be assembled or syntax checked) until a #endif or #else directive is found.

All assembler directives (except for END) and file inclusion may be disabled by the conditional directives. Each #if directive must be terminated by a #endif directive. The #else directive is optional and, if used, it must be inside a #if...#endif block.

```
#if...#endif and #if...#else...#endif blocks may be nested to any level.
```

Use #ifdef to assemble instructions up to the next #else or #endif directive only if a symbol is defined.

Use #ifndef to assemble instructions up to the next #else or #endif directive only if a symbol is undefined.

#### **Including source files**

Use #include to insert the contents of a file into the source file at a specified point. The filename can be specified within double quotes or within angle brackets.

Following is the full description of the assembler's #include file search procedure:

- If the name of the #include file is an absolute path, that file is opened.
- When the assembler encounters the name of an #include file in angle brackets such as:

```
#include <ior32c121.h>
```

it searches the following directories for the file to include:

- 1 The directories specified with the -I option, in the order that they were specified.
- 2 The directories specified using the AR32C\_INC environment variable, if any.
- When the assembler encounters the name of an #include file in double quotes such as:

```
#include "vars.h"
```

it searches the directory of the source file in which the #include statement occurs, and then performs the same sequence as for angle-bracketed filenames.

If there are nested #include files, the assembler starts searching the directory of the file that was last included, iterating upwards for each included file, searching the source file directory last.

Use angle brackets for header files provided with the R32C IAR Assembler, and double quotes for header files that are part of your application.

### **Displaying errors**

Use #error to force the assembler to generate an error, such as in a user-defined test.

#### Comments in C-style preprocessor directives

If you make a comment within a define statement, use:

- the C comment delimiters /\* . . . \*/ to comment sections
- the C++ comment delimiter // to mark the rest of the line as comment.

Do not use assembler comments within a define statement as it leads to unexpected behavior.

The following expression will evaluate to 3 because the comment character will be preserved by #define:

```
#define x 3 ; comment exp EQU x*8+5
```

The following example illustrates some problems that might occur when assembler comments are used in the C-style preprocessor:

```
#define five 5 ; this comment is not OK
#define six 6  // this comment is OK
#define seven 7 /* this comment is OK */

MOV.W #five,R5 ; syntax error!
; Expands to "MOV #5; this comment is not OK,R5"

MOV.W #six+seven,R6 ; OK
; Expanded to "MOV #6+7,R6"
```

#### **EXAMPLES**

#### Using conditional preprocessor directives

The following example defines the labels tweak and adjust. If adjust is defined, then register AO is decremented by an amount that depends on adjust, in this case 30.

# Including a source file

The following example uses #include to include a file defining macros into the source file. For example, the following macros could be defined in macros.s53:

```
; exchange a and b using c as temporary xch MACRO a,b,c
MOV.W a,c
MOV.W b,a
MOV.W c,b
ENDM
```

The macro definitions can then be included, using #include, as in the following example:

	NAME	include
SR0	DEFINE	0x400
SR1	DEFINE	0x402
SR2	DEFINE	0x404
; standar	rd macro	definitions
#include	"macros.	.s53"
; program	n	
main:		
	xch	SR0,SR1,SR2
	RTS	
	END	main

# **Data definition or allocation directives**

These directives define values or reserve memory. See *Expression restrictions*, page 12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description
DC8	Generates 8-bit constants, including strings.
DC16	Generates 16-bit constants.
DC24	Generates 24-bit constants.
DC32	Generates 32-bit constants.
DC64	Generates 64-bit constants.
DF32	Generates 32-bit floating-point constants.
DF64	Generates 64-bit floating-point constants.
DQ15	Generates 16-bit fractional constants.
DQ31	Generates 32-bit fractional constants.
DS8	Allocates space for 8-bit integers.
DS16	Allocates space for 16-bit integers.
DS24	Allocates space for 24-bit integers.
DS32	Allocates space for 32-bit integers.

Table 23: Data definition or allocation directives

Directive	Description
DS64	Allocates space for 64-bit integers.

Table 23: Data definition or allocation directives (Continued)

#### **SYNTAX**

```
DC8 expr [,expr] ...

DC16 expr [,expr] ...

DC24 expr [,expr] ...

DC32 expr [,expr] ...

DC64 expr [,expr] ...

DF32 value [,value] ...

DF64 value [,value] ...

DQ15 value [,value] ...

DQ31 value [,value] ...

DS8 count

DS16 count

DS24 count

DS32 count

DS64 count
```

#### **PARAMETERS**

count	A valid absolute expression specifying the number of elements to be reserved.
expr	A valid absolute, relocatable, or external expression, or an ASCII string. ASCII strings will be zero filled to a multiple of the data size implied by the directive. Double-quoted strings will be zero-terminated.*
value	A valid absolute expression or floating-point constant.

<sup>\*</sup> For DC64, the expr cannot be relocatable or external.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

Use the data definition and allocation directives according to the following table; it shows which directives reserve and initialize memory space or reserve uninitialized memory space, and their size.

Size	Reserve and initialize memory	Reserve uninitialized memory
8-bit integers	DC8	DS8

Table 24: Using data definition or allocation directives

Size	Reserve and initialize memory	Reserve uninitialized memory
16-bit integers	DC16	DS16
24-bit integers	DC24	DS24
32-bit integers	DC32	DS32
64-bit integers	DC64	DS64
32-bit floats	DF32	DS32
64-bit floats	DF64	DS64
16-bit fractionals	DQ15	DS16
32-bit fractionals	DQ31	DS32

Table 24: Using data definition or allocation directives (Continued)

#### **EXAMPLES**

# **Defining strings**

To define a string:

```
myMsg DC8 'Please enter your name'
```

To define a string which includes a trailing zero:

```
myCstr DC8 "This is a string."
```

To include a single quote in a string, enter it twice; for example:

```
errMsg DC8 'Don''t understand!'
```

# Reserving space

To reserve space for 0xA bytes:

table DS8 0xA

# **Assembler control directives**

These directives provide control over the operation of the assembler. See *Expression restrictions*, page 12, for a description of the restrictions that apply when using a directive in an expression.

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
/*comment*/	C-style comment delimiter.	
//	C++style comment delimiter.	
CASEOFF	Disables case sensitivity.	

Table 25: Assembler control directives

Directive	Description	Expression restrictions
CASEON	Enables case sensitivity.	
RADIX	Sets the default base on all numeric values.	No forward references No external references Absolute Fixed

Table 25: Assembler control directives (Continued)

#### **SYNTAX**

/\*comment\*/
//comment
CASEOFF
CASEON
RADIX expr

#### **PARAMETERS**

comment	Comment ignored by the assembler.
expr	Default base; default 10 (decimal).

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

Use /\*...\*/ to comment sections of the assembler listing.

Use // to mark the rest of the line as comment.

Use RADIX to set the default base for constants. The default base is 10.

### Controlling case sensitivity

Use CASEON or CASEOFF to turn on or off case sensitivity for user-defined symbols. By default case sensitivity is on.

When CASEOFF is active all symbols are stored in upper case, and all symbols used by XLINK should be written in upper case in the XLINK definition file.

#### **EXAMPLES**

### **Defining comments**

The following example shows how /\*...\*/ can be used for a multi-line comment:

```
/*
Program to read serial input.
Version 1: 19.2.07
Author: mjp
*/
```

See also, Comments in C-style preprocessor directives, page 79.

# Changing the base

To set the default base to 16:

```
RADIX 16D
MOV.L #12,R2R0
```

The immediate argument will then be interpreted as the hexadecimal constant 12, that is decimal 18.

To reset the base from 16 to 10 again, the argument must be written in hexadecimal format, for example:

```
RADIX 0x0A
```

# Controlling case sensitivity

When CASEOFF is set, label and LABEL are identical in the following example:

```
label NOP ; Stored as "LABEL"

; The following will generate a ; duplicate label error:

CASEOFF
label NOP
LABEL NOP ; Error, "LABEL" already defined
END
```

# **Call frame information directives**

These directives allow backtrace information to be defined in the assembler source code. The benefit is that you can view the call frame stack when you debug your assembler code.

Directive	Description
CFI BASEADDRESS	Declares a base address CFA (Canonical Frame Address).
CFI BLOCK	Starts a data block.
CFI CODEALIGN	Declares code alignment.
CFI COMMON	Starts or extends a common block.
CFI CONDITIONAL	Declares data block to be a conditional thread.
CFI DATAALIGN	Declares data alignment.
CFI ENDBLOCK	Ends a data block.
CFI ENDCOMMON	Ends a common block.
CFI ENDNAMES	Ends a names block.
CFI FRAMECELL	Creates a reference into the caller's frame.
CFI FUNCTION	Declares a function associated with data block.
CFI INVALID	Starts range of invalid backtrace information.
CFI NAMES	Starts a names block.
CFI NOFUNCTION	Declares data block to not be associated with a function.
CFI PICKER	Declares data block to be a picker thread.
CFI REMEMBERSTATE	Remembers the backtrace information state.
CFI RESOURCE	Declares a resource.
CFI RESOURCEPARTS	Declares a composite resource.
CFI RESTORESTATE	Restores the saved backtrace information state.
CFI RETURNADDRESS	Declares a return address column.
CFI STACKFRAME	Declares a stack frame CFA.
CFI STATICOVERLAYFRAME	Declares a static overlay frame CFA.
CFI VALID	Ends range of invalid backtrace information.
CFI VIRTUALRESOURCE	Declares a virtual resource.
CFI cfa	Declares the value of a CFA.
CFI resource	Declares the value of a resource.

Table 26: Call frame information directives

#### **SYNTAX**

The syntax definitions below show the syntax of each directive. The directives are grouped according to usage.

#### Names block directives

```
CFI NAMES name

CFI ENDNAMES name

CFI RESOURCE resource: bits [, resource: bits] ...

CFI VIRTUALRESOURCE resource: bits [, resource: bits] ...

CFI RESOURCEPARTS resource part, part [, part] ...

CFI STACKFRAME cfa resource type [, cfa resource type] ...

CFI STATICOVERLAYFRAME cfa segment [, cfa segment] ...

CFI BASEADDRESS cfa type [, cfa type] ...
```

#### **Extended names block directives**

```
CFI NAMES name EXTENDS namesblock

CFI ENDNAMES name

CFI FRAMECELL cell cfa(offset): size[, cell cfa(offset): size] ...
```

#### **Common block directives**

```
CFI COMMON name USING namesblock

CFI ENDCOMMON name

CFI CODEALIGN codealignfactor

CFI DATAALIGN dataalignfactor

CFI RETURNADDRESS resource type

CFI cfa { NOTUSED | USED }

CFI cfa { resource | resource + constant | resource - constant }

CFI cfa cfiexpr

CFI resource { UNDEFINED | SAMEVALUE | CONCAT }

CFI resource { resource | FRAME(cfa, offset) }

CFI resource cfiexpr
```

#### **Extended common block directives**

```
CFI COMMON name EXTENDS commonblock USING namesblock
CFI ENDCOMMON name
```

#### **Data block directives**

```
CFI BLOCK name USING commonblock

CFI ENDBLOCK name

CFI { NOFUNCTION | FUNCTION label }

CFI { INVALID | VALID }

CFI { REMEMBERSTATE | RESTORESTATE }

CFI PICKER

CFI CONDITIONAL label [, label] ...

CFI cfa { resource | resource + constant | resource - constant }

CFI cfa cfiexpr

CFI resource { UNDEFINED | SAMEVALUE | CONCAT }

CFI resource { resource | FRAME(cfa, offset) }

CFI resource cfiexpr
```

#### **PARAMETERS**

bits	The size of the resource in bits.

cell The name of a frame cell.

cfa The name of a CFA (canonical frame address).

cfiexpr A CFI expression (see CFI expressions, page 95).

codealignfactor The smallest factor of all instruction sizes. Each CFI directive for

a data block must be placed according to this alignment. 1 is the default and can always be used, but a larger value will shrink the produced backtrace information in size. The possible range is

1-256.

commonblock The name of a previously defined common block.

constant A constant value or an assembler expression that can be evaluated

to a constant value.

dataalignfactor The smallest factor of all frame sizes. If the stack grows towards

higher addresses, the factor is negative; if it grows towards lower addresses, the factor is positive. 1 is the default, but a larger value will shrink the produced backtrace information in size. The

possible ranges are -256 to -1 and 1 to 256.

label A function label.

name The name of the block.

namesblock The name of a previously defined names block.

offset The offset relative the CFA. An integer with an optional sign.

part A part of a composite resource. The name of a previously

declared resource.

resource The name of a resource.

segment The name of a segment.

size The size of the frame cell in bytes.

type The memory type, such as CODE, CONST or DATA. In addition, any

of the memory types supported by the IAR XLINK Linker. It is used solely for the purpose of denoting an address space.

#### **DESCRIPTIONS**

The call frame information directives (CFI directives) are an extension to the debugging format of the IAR C-SPY® Debugger. The CFI directives are used for defining the *backtrace information* for the instructions in a program. The compiler normally generates this information, but for library functions and other code written purely in assembler language, backtrace information has to be added if you want to use the call frame stack in the debugger.

The backtrace information is used to keep track of the contents of *resources*, such as registers or memory cells, in the assembler code. This information is used by the IAR C-SPY Debugger to go "back" in the call stack and show the correct values of registers or other resources before entering the function. In contrast with traditional approaches, this permits the debugger to run at full speed until it reaches a breakpoint, stop at the breakpoint, and retrieve backtrace information at that point in the program. The information can then be used to compute the contents of the resources in any of the calling functions—assuming they have call frame information as well.

#### **Backtrace rows and columns**

At each location in the program where it is possible for the debugger to break execution, there is a *backtrace row*. Each backtrace row consists of a set of *columns*, where each column represents an item that should be tracked. There are three kinds of columns:

- The resource columns keep track of where the original value of a resource can be found.
- The canonical frame address columns (CFA columns) keep track of the top of the function frames.
- The return address column keeps track of the location of the return address.

There is always exactly one return address column and usually only one CFA column, although there may be more than one.

#### Defining a names block

A *names block* is used to declare the resources available for a processor. Inside the names block, all resources that can be tracked are defined.

Start and end a names block with the directives:

```
CFI NAMES name
```

where name is the name of the block.

Only one names block can be open at a time.

Inside a names block, four different kinds of declarations may appear: a resource declaration, a stack frame declaration, a static overlay frame declaration, or a base address declaration:

• To declare a resource, use one of the directives:

```
CFI RESOURCE resource : bits
CFI VIRTUALRESOURCE resource : bits
```

The parameters are the name of the resource and the size of the resource in bits. A virtual resource is a logical concept, in contrast to a "physical" resource such as a processor register. Virtual resources are usually used for the return address.

More than one resource can be declared by separating them with commas.

A resource may also be a composite resource, made up of at least two parts. To declare the composition of a composite resource, use the directive:

```
CFI RESOURCEPARTS resource part, part, ...
```

The parts are separated with commas. The resource and its parts must have been previously declared as resources, as described above.

• To declare a stack frame CFA, use the directive:

```
CFI STACKFRAME cfa resource type
```

The parameters are the name of the stack frame CFA, the name of the associated resource (the stack pointer), and the segment type (to get the address space). More than one stack frame CFA can be declared by separating them with commas.

When going "back" in the call stack, the value of the stack frame CFA is copied into the associated stack pointer resource to get a correct value for the previous function frame.

• To declare a static overlay frame CFA, use the directive:

```
CFI STATICOVERLAYFRAME cfa segment
```

The parameters are the name of the CFA and the name of the segment where the static overlay for the function is located. More than one static overlay frame CFA can be declared by separating them with commas.

• To declare a base address CFA, use the directive:

```
CFI BASEADDRESS cfa type
```

The parameters are the name of the CFA and the segment type. More than one base address CFA can be declared by separating them with commas.

A base address CFA is used to conveniently handle a CFA. In contrast to the stack frame CFA, there is no associated stack pointer resource to restore.

#### Extending a names block

In some special cases you have to extend an existing names block with new resources. This occurs whenever there are routines that manipulate call frames other than their own, such as routines for handling, entering, and leaving C or C++ functions; these routines manipulate the caller's frame. Extended names blocks are normally used only by compiler developers.

Extend an existing names block with the directive:

```
CFI NAMES name EXTENDS namesblock
```

where namesblock is the name of the existing names block and name is the name of the new extended block. The extended block must end with the directive:

```
CFT ENDNAMES name
```

#### Defining a common block

The *common block* is used for declaring the initial contents of all tracked resources. Normally, there is one common block for each calling convention used.

Start a common block with the directive:

```
CFI COMMON name USING namesblock
```

where name is the name of the new block and namesblock is the name of a previously defined names block.

Declare the return address column with the directive:

```
CFI RETURNADDRESS resource type
```

where resource is a resource defined in namesblock and type is the segment type. You have to declare the return address column for the common block.

End a common block with the directive:

```
CFI ENDCOMMON name
```

where name is the name used to start the common block.

Inside a common block you can declare the initial value of a CFA or a resource by using the directives listed last in *Common block directives*, page 87. For more information on these directives, see *Simple rules*, page 93, and *CFI expressions*, page 95.

#### Extending a common block

Since you can extend a names block with new resources, it is necessary to have a mechanism for describing the initial values of these new resources. For this reason, it is also possible to extend common blocks, effectively declaring the initial values of the extra resources while including the declarations of another common block. Just as in the case of extended names blocks, extended common blocks are normally only used by compiler developers.

Extend an existing common block with the directive:

```
CFI COMMON name EXTENDS commonblock USING namesblock
```

where name is the name of the new extended block, commonblock is the name of the existing common block, and namesblock is the name of a previously defined names block. The extended block must end with the directive:

CFI ENDCOMMON name

# Defining a data block

The *data block* contains the actual tracking information for one continuous piece of code. No segment control directive may appear inside a data block.

Start a data block with the directive:

```
CFI BLOCK name USING commonblock
```

where name is the name of the new block and commonblock is the name of a previously defined common block.

If the piece of code is part of a defined function, specify the name of the function with the directive:

```
CFT FUNCTION label
```

where label is the code label starting the function.

If the piece of code is not part of a function, specify this with the directive:

CFI NOFUNCTION

End a data block with the directive:

CFI ENDBLOCK name

where name is the name used to start the data block.

Inside a data block you may manipulate the values of the columns by using the directives listed last in *Data block directives*, page 88. For more information on these directives, see *Simple rules*, page 93, and *CFI expressions*, page 95.

#### SIMPLE RULES

To describe the tracking information for individual columns, there is a set of simple rules with specialized syntax:

```
CFI cfa { NOTUSED | USED }
CFI cfa { resource | resource + constant | resource - constant }
CFI resource { UNDEFINED | SAMEVALUE | CONCAT }
CFI resource { resource | FRAME(cfa, offset) }
```

These simple rules can be used both in common blocks to describe the initial information for resources and CFAs, and inside data blocks to describe changes to the information for resources or CFAs.

In those rare cases where the descriptive power of the simple rules are not enough, a full CFI expression can be used to describe the information (see *CFI expressions*, page 95). However, whenever possible, you should always use a simple rule instead of a CFI expression.

There are two different sets of simple rules: one for resources and one for CFAs.

#### Simple rules for resources

The rules for resources conceptually describe where to find a resource when going back one call frame. For this reason, the item following the resource name in a CFI directive is referred to as the *location* of the resource.

To declare that a tracked resource is restored, that is, already correctly located, use SAMEVALUE as the location. Conceptually, this declares that the resource does not have to be restored since it already contains the correct value. For example, to declare that a register REG is restored to the same value, use the directive:

```
CFI REG SAMEVALUE
```

To declare that a resource is not tracked, use UNDEFINED as location. Conceptually, this declares that the resource does not have to be restored (when going back one call frame) since it is not tracked. Usually it is only meaningful to use it to declare the initial location of a resource. For example, to declare that REG is a scratch register and does not have to be restored, use the directive:

```
CFT REG UNDEFINED
```

To declare that a resource is temporarily stored in another resource, use the resource name as its location. For example, to declare that a register REG1 is temporarily located in a register REG2 (and should be restored from that register), use the directive:

```
CFI REG1 REG2
```

To declare that a resource is currently located somewhere on the stack, use FRAME (cfa, offset) as location for the resource, where cfa is the CFA identifier to use as "frame pointer" and offset is an offset relative the CFA. For example, to declare that a register REG is located at offset -4 counting from the frame pointer CFA SP, use the directive:

```
CFI REG FRAME (CFA SP.-4)
```

For a composite resource there is one additional location, CONCAT, which declares that the location of the resource can be found by concatenating the resource parts for the composite resource. For example, consider a composite resource RET with resource parts RETLO and RETHI. To declare that the value of RET can be found by investigating and concatenating the resource parts, use the directive:

```
CFI RET CONCAT
```

This requires that at least one of the resource parts has a definition, using the rules described above.

# Simple rules for CFAs

In contrast with the rules for resources, the rules for CFAs describe the address of the beginning of the call frame. The call frame often includes the return address pushed by the subroutine calling instruction. The CFA rules describe how to compute the address to the beginning of the current call frame. There are two different forms of CFAs, stack frames and static overlay frames, each declared in the associated names block. See *Names block directives*, page 87.

Each stack frame CFA is associated with a resource, such as the stack pointer. When going back one call frame the associated resource is restored to the current CFA. For stack frame CFAs there are two possible simple rules: an offset from a resource (not necessarily the resource associated with the stack frame CFA) or NOTUSED.

To declare that a CFA is not used, and that the associated resource should be tracked as a normal resource, use NOTUSED as the address of the CFA. For example, to declare that the CFA with the name CFA SP is not used in this code block, use the directive:

```
CFI CFA_SP NOTUSED
```

To declare that a CFA has an address that is offset relative the value of a resource, specify the resource and the offset. For example, to declare that the CFA with the name CFA\_SP can be obtained by adding 4 to the value of the SP resource, use the directive:

```
CFI CFA_SP SP + 4
```

For static overlay frame CFAs, there are only two possible declarations inside common and data blocks: USED and NOTUSED.

#### **CFI EXPRESSIONS**

Call frame information expressions (CFI expressions) can be used when the descriptive power of the simple rules for resources and CFAs is not enough. However, you should always use a simple rule when one is available.

CFI expressions consist of operands and operators. Only the operators described below are allowed in a CFI expression. In most cases, they have an equivalent operator in the regular assembler expressions.

In the operand descriptions, cfiexpr denotes one of the following:

- A CFI operator with operands
- A numeric constant
- A CFA name
- A resource name.

# **Unary operators**

Overall syntax: OPERATOR (operand)

Operator	Operand	Description	
COMPLEMENT	cfiexpr	Performs a bitwise NOT on a CFI expression.	
LITERAL	expr	Get the value of the assembler expression. This can insert the value of a regular assembler expression into a CFI expression.	
NOT	cfiexpr	Negates a logical CFI expression.	
UMINUS	cfiexpr	Performs arithmetic negation on a CFI expression.	

Table 27: Unary operators in CFI expressions

### **Binary operators**

Overall syntax: OPERATOR (operand1, operand2)

Operator	Operands	Description
ADD	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Addition
AND	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Bitwise AND
DIV	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Division
EQ	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Equal

Table 28: Binary operators in CFI expressions

Operator	Operands	Description	
GE	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Greater than or equal	
GT	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Greater than	
LE	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Less than or equal	
LSHIFT	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Logical shift left of the left operand. The number of bits to shift is specified by the right operand. The sign bit will not be preserved when shifting.	
LT	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Less than	
MOD	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Modulo	
MUL	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Multiplication	
NE	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Not equal	
OR	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Bitwise OR	
RSHIFTA	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Arithmetic shift right of the left operand. The number of bits to shift is specified by the right operand. In contrast with RSHIFTL the sign bit will be preserved when shifting.	
RSHIFTL	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Logical shift right of the left operand. The number of bits to shift is specified by the right operand. The sign bit will not be preserved when shifting.	
SUB	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Subtraction	
XOR	cfiexpr,cfiexpr	Bitwise XOR	

Table 28: Binary operators in CFI expressions (Continued)

# **Ternary operators**

Overall syntax: OPERATOR(operand1,operand2,operand3)

Operator	Operands	Descripti	on
FRAME	cfa,size,offset	Gets the value from a stack frame. The operands are:	
		cfa	An identifier denoting a previously declared CFA.
		size	A constant expression denoting a size in bytes.
		offset	A constant expression denoting an offset in
			bytes.
		Gets the value at address cfa+offset of size size.	

Table 29: Ternary operators in CFI expressions

Operator	Operands	Description
IF	cond,true,false	Conditional operator. The operands are:  cond A CFA expression denoting a condition.  true Any CFA expression.  false Any CFA expression.  If the conditional expression is non-zero, the result is the value of the true expression; otherwise the result is the value of the false expression.
LOAD	size,type,addr	Gets the value from memory. The operands are: $size$ A constant expression denoting a size in bytes. $type$ A memory type. $addr$ A CFA expression denoting a memory address. Gets the value at address $addr$ in segment type $type$ of size $size$ .

Table 29: Ternary operators in CFI expressions (Continued)

#### **EXAMPLE**

The following is a generic example and not an example specific to the R32C/100 microcomputer. This will simplify the example and clarify the usage of the CFI directives. A target-specific example can be obtained by generating assembler output when compiling a C source file.

Consider a generic processor with a stack pointer SP, and two registers R0 and R1. Register R0 will be used as a scratch register (the register is destroyed by the function call), whereas register R1 has to be restored after the function call. For reasons of simplicity, all instructions, registers, and addresses will have a width of 16 bits.

Consider the following short code sample with the corresponding backtrace rows and columns. At entry, assume that the stack contains a 16-bit return address. The stack grows from high addresses towards zero. The CFA denotes the top of the call frame, that is, the value of the stack pointer after returning from the function.

Address	CFA	SP	R0	RI	RET	Assemble	er code	
0000	SP + 2		_	SAME	CFA - 2	func1:	PUSH	R1
0002	SP + 4			CFA - 4			MOV	R1,#4
0004							CALL	func2
0006							POP	R0
8000	SP + 2			R0			MOV	R1,R0
000A				SAME			RET	

Table 30: Code sample with backtrace rows and columns

Each backtrace row describes the state of the tracked resources *before* the execution of the instruction. As an example, for the MOV R1, R0 instruction the original value of the R1 register is located in the R0 register and the top of the function frame (the CFA column) is SP + 2. The backtrace row at address 0000 is the initial row and the result of the calling convention used for the function.

The SP column is empty since the CFA is defined in terms of the stack pointer. The RET column is the return address column—that is, the location of the return address. The R0 column has a '—' in the first line to indicate that the value of R0 is undefined and does not need to be restored on exit from the function. The R1 column has SAME in the initial row to indicate that the value of the R1 register will be restored to the same value it already has.

## Defining the names block

The names block for the small example above would be:

```
CFI NAMES trivialNames
CFI RESOURCE SP:16, R0:16, R1:16
CFI STACKFRAME CFA SP DATA
;; The virtual resource for the return address column
CFI VIRTUALRESOURCE RET:16
CFI ENDNAMES trivialNames
```

## Defining the common block

The common block for the simple example above would be:

```
CFI COMMON trivialCommon USING trivialNames
CFI RETURNADDRESS RET DATA
CFI CFA SP + 2
CFI RO UNDEFINED
CFI R1 SAMEVALUE
CFI RET FRAME(CFA,-2) ; Offset -2 from top of frame
CFI ENDCOMMON trivialCommon
```

**Note:** SP may not be changed using a CFI directive since it is the resource associated with CFA.

## Defining the data block

Continuing the simple example, the data block would be:

```
RSEG CODE:CODE
CFI BLOCK func1block USING trivialCommon
CFI FUNCTION func1
func1:
```

```
PUSH R1
CFI CFA SP + 4
      R1 FRAME(CFA,-4)
CFI
MOV
      R1,#4
      func2
CALL
POP
      R0
CFI
      R1 R0
CFI
      CFA SP + 2
VOM
      R1,R0
CFI
      R1 SAMEVALUE
RET
CFI ENDBLOCK func1block
```

Note that the CFI directives are placed *after* the instruction that affects the backtrace information.

Call frame information directives

# **Pragma directives**

This chapter describes the pragma directives of the R32C IAR Assembler.

The pragma directives control the behavior of the assembler, for example whether it outputs warning messages. The pragma directives are preprocessed, which means that macros are substituted in a pragma directive.

# Summary of pragma directives

The following table shows the pragma directives of the assembler:

#pragma directive	Description
<pre>#pragma diag_default</pre>	Changes the severity level of diagnostic messages
<pre>#pragma diag_error</pre>	Changes the severity level of diagnostic messages
<pre>#pragma diag_remark</pre>	Changes the severity level of diagnostic messages
<pre>#pragma diag_suppress</pre>	Suppresses diagnostic messages
<pre>#pragma diag_warning</pre>	Changes the severity level of diagnostic messages
#pragma message	Prints a message

Table 31: Pragma directives summary

# **Descriptions of pragma directives**

All pragma directives using = for value assignment should be entered like:

#pragma pragmaname=pragmavalue

#pragma pragmaname = pragmavalue

#pragma diag\_default #pragma diag\_default=tag,tag,...

Changes the severity level back to default or as defined on the command line for the diagnostic messages with the specified tags. For example:

#pragma diag\_default=Pe117

See the chapter *Diagnostics* for more information about diagnostic messages.

```
#pragma diag_error #pragma diag_error=tag,tag,...
                          Changes the severity level to error for the specified diagnostics. For example:
                          #pragma diag_error=Pe117
                          See the chapter Diagnostics for more information about diagnostic messages.
  #pragma diag_remark #pragma diag_remark=tag, tag,...
                          Changes the severity level to remark for the specified diagnostics. For example:
                          #pragma diag_remark=Pe177
                          See the chapter Diagnostics for more information about diagnostic messages.
#pragma diag suppress
                          #pragma diag_suppress=tag, tag,...
                          Suppresses the diagnostic messages with the specified tags. For example:
                          #pragma diag_suppress=Pe117,Pe177
                          See the chapter Diagnostics for more information about diagnostic messages.
 #pragma diag_warning #pragma diag_warning=tag,tag,...
                          Changes the severity level to warning for the specified diagnostics. For example:
                          #pragma diag_warning=Pe826
                          See the chapter Diagnostics for more information about diagnostic messages.
       #pragma message
                          #pragma message(string)
                          Makes the assembler print a message on stdout when the file is assembled. For
                          example:
                          #ifdef TESTING
```

#pragma message("Testing")

#endif

# **Diagnostics**

This chapter describes the format of the diagnostic messages and explains how diagnostic messages are divided into different levels of severity.

# Message format

All diagnostic messages are issued as complete, self-explanatory messages. A typical diagnostic message from the assembler is produced in the form:

filename, linenumber level[tag]: message

where filename is the name of the source file in which the error was encountered; linenumber is the line number at which the assembler detected the error; level is the level of seriousness of the diagnostic; tag is a unique tag that identifies the diagnostic message; message is a self-explanatory message, possibly several lines long.





Diagnostic messages are displayed on the screen, as well as printed in the optional list file. In the IAR Embedded Workbench IDE, diagnostic messages are displayed in the Build messages window.

# **Severity levels**

The diagnostics are divided into different levels of severity:

#### Remark

A diagnostic message that is produced when the assembler finds a source code construct that can possibly lead to erroneous behavior in the generated code. Remarks are by default not issued but can be enabled, see *--remarks*, page 32.

## Warning

A diagnostic message that is produced when the assembler finds a programming error or omission which is of concern but not so severe as to prevent the completion of compilation. Warnings can be disabled by use of the command-line option --no\_warnings, see --no warnings, page 29.

#### **Error**

A diagnostic message that is produced when the assembler has found a construct which clearly violates the language rules, such that code cannot be produced. An error will produce a non-zero exit code.

#### Fatal error

A diagnostic message that is produced when the assembler has found a condition that not only prevents code generation, but which makes further processing of the source code pointless. After the diagnostic has been issued, compilation terminates. A fatal error will produce a non-zero exit code.

## **SETTING THE SEVERITY LEVEL**

The diagnostic messages can be suppressed or the severity level can be changed for all types of diagnostics except for fatal errors and some of the regular errors.

See *Summary of assembler options*, page 19, for a description of the assembler options that are available for setting severity levels.

See the chapter *Pragma directives*, for a description of the pragma directives that are available for setting severity levels.

### **INTERNAL ERROR**

An internal error is a diagnostic message that signals that there has been a serious and unexpected failure due to a fault in the assembler. It is produced using the following form:

Internal error: message

where *message* is an explanatory message. If internal errors occur, they should be reported to your software distributor or IAR Technical Support. Please include information enough to reproduce the problem. This would typically include:

- The product name
- The version number of the assembler, which can be seen in the header of the list files generated by the assembler
- Your license number
- The exact internal error message text
- The source file of the program that generated the internal error
- A list of the options that were used when the internal error occurred.

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