

Dynamic C Open Bugs List

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6	Run-time math exceptions in watch expressions cause the target program to crash when debugging.	Don't evaluate floating point watch expressions with bad domain arguments.	6.04-current
21	After using the print preview option with Dynamic C in full-screen mode, the taskbar will no longer automatically pop up (if set to "auto hide") until Dynamic C is exited.	Avoid using print preview if you prefer to keep your task bar as "autohide."	6.04-current fixed in a pending release
160	Constant folding does not work properly for expressions that cast int* to an integral type and then add. This defect therefore causes initializers to constant data to be evaluated incorrectly and misaligned int z =10;; (long)&z+1; // compiler should evaluate to constant value bug instead generates call to L_add (char)&z+1; // compiler should evaluate to constant value bug instead generates call to L_add	(long)((char*)&z + 1); // semantically equivalent expression that folds correctly (char)((char*)&z + 1); // semantically equivalent expression that folds correctly	6.04-current
237	Print Preview artifact 1. Open a sample program. 2. Open print preview. 3. Click on the printer icon. 4. Open properties and adjust any of the parameters. 5. Accept the new parameters and close the properties window. 6. A print preview artifact remains.	Only make adjustments to the print properties OUTSIDE of the print preview screen (i.e. File->Print->Properties).	6.04-current fixed in a pending release
399	Execution cursor not updated in library source file when single stepping through pure assembly function.	Watch the execution cursor in the disassembly window.	6.04 - current <u>fixed in a pending release</u>
437	Bad code generated for a pattern of logical expression involving long* long L1,L2,*pL1,*pL2; // generates bad code and leaves stack imbalanced ((L1 + L2) < *pL2);	This generates good code and the extra addition is optimized out. ((L1 + L2) < *pL2+0);	6.04-current

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455	Bad stack handling with some integer expressions. For example: <pre>void AFunc(void){ int Var1; auto int Var2; auto char serialno[254]; //254, 255 will fail Var1 = 1; Var2 = 15; if (Var2 > Var1 + 1) { // SP gets changed</pre>	Use a larger or smaller buffer, or make the buffer static.	6.04 - current
476	using operator /= with field from structure ptr causes insufficient PUSH's when used with sizeof expression	Use sizeof(type) instead of sizeof(expression)	7.02 - current
524	SMTP.LIB does not accept all valid variations and state codes from the server.	None	6.53-current
526	Bug which causes incorrect conversion from unsigned long conversion to floating point: <pre>void main (void){ unsigned long ulTmp; float fTmp; ulTmp = 3771964801; fTmp = (float)ulTmp; printf ("%f", fTmp); // prints - 3771964670.000000}</pre>	None	6.04-current
532	Character shift and test bug fails. Example: The test in the while loops below continues to be true when they should actually be false. <pre>main(){ unsigned char i; i = 0x80; do { } while(i <= 1); i = 0x80; do{ } while(i *= 2); }}</pre>	Perform shift separately. <pre>main() { unsigned char i; i = 0x80; do { i <= 1 } while(); }</pre>	6.04-current
533	Long and char comparison cause internal error. The following program generates an internal error/warning. It runs okay. <pre>unsigned char UnChar(){return 1;} unsigned long UnLong(){return 2;} void main(){ if (UnChar() != UnLong()) printf("\nNot equal!\r"); }</pre>	None	6.04-current

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537	// this causes stack imbalance long longfunc(void) { return 1;} void main(void){ char ch; (longfunc() < (ch+1)); }	None	6.04-current
550	Disabling FIFO for a PC COM port can cause target communications errors and DC lockups.	None	7.10DSE-current
553	Unclosed comment blocks in BIOS can cause crash in subsequent compile.Example:	None	7.05-current
568	printf() is limited 127 characters per call	Use buffers of at most 127 chars.	6.53-current
615	Library's local #asm label conflicts with application's global symbol. Example: The following short sample also demonstrates the bug (early versions of DC must have the "const" keywords removed): char * const tail = "9876543210"; main(){ char *tailptr; int base; base = 10; strtol(tail, &tailptr, base); }	Avoid short common words for assembly labels. DC libraries have had short assembly labels removed. The example is no longer a problem in 7.25. A more robust is pending. An error message is now generated when conflict happens.	6.04- current
616	Assembler should not compile ld (hl+d), a The following code should generate an error, but instead generates bad code. main() { asm ld (hl+99), a ;}	None	7.06 -current
620	Breakpoint in a pure assembly function can cause another window to pop up. 1. Open samples\tcpip\http\static.c 2. Add the following lines to the top: #define nodebug #define jr jp // Not necessary for pre-7.10 3. Open lib\tcpip\pktdrv.lib 4. Compile the program 5. Attempt to set a breakpoint somewhere after the _pktentry label 6. The REALTEK.LIB window will pop up, and the breakpoint will not be set.	None	6.54 - Current

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624	Bug with character evaluation in logical OR operator.. Example: The value of the character gets returned instead of being normalized to zero in the following test. char1 = 0; char2 = 9; return (char1 == 18 char2); //evaluates 9	char1 = 0; char2 = 9; return (char1 == 18 char2 != 0);	6.18-current
630	PPP - driver escapes bytes even when peer sets asyncmap to 0. The PPP driver will always escape byte values from 0-32 even if the peer requests to turn this behavior off. It is not harmful behavior, but will make for unnecessarily longer PPP packets.	None	7.01-current
644	setting User Idle function in ZCONSOLE causes jump to \$0	None	7.06P2-current
647	The address of operator does not work correctly for auto arrays. Example: main() { auto int ia[10]; int (*pa)[10]; int *p; // should compile with warning p = &ia; }	use index p = &ia[0];	7.05-current
650	"Soft" breakpoints do not work properly when set in an ISR. "Hard" breakpoints seem to be OK.		7.20-current
652	The compiler generates a "function call too long" if more than about 294 characters are used in a function call	If a literal string is making the call too long, define a pointer to it instead.	6.04-current
660	Dynamic C does not generate an unclosed block error on the following example: #ifndef NEXTTEST main() { }	None	6.54-current
662	If RabbitBIOS.C is deleted from \BIOS Dynamic C crashes.	None	7.10DSE-current

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673	When dumping a large amount of memory to a text file, the addresses shown can be off by 128 bytes. As an example, dump 131072 bytes of data starting with physical address 0x0000, then examine the file. Starting at address 0x0000 looks ok, but up around 0x6000 (start of XMEM) the addresses are off by 128 bytes.	None	7.21 - current
680	Casting issue can cause infinite loop. Example: pkb = (uint)((TachPPS * 60L) / (*temp[0].pValue)); // runs forever where pkb is unsigned, TachPPS is the same.	None	7.21-current
687	A very specific arrangement of arithmetic causes a run time crash. Example: #define LONG_CONST 50L main() { unsigned long ulong, result; char divchar; unsigned long *resultptr; ulong = 100L; divchar = 3; resultptr = &result; *resultptr = ulong/(divchar+1); //works *resultptr = LONG_CONST*ulong/divchar; //works *resultptr = LONG_CONST*ulong/(divchar+1); /error printf("print something\n");}	None	7.21-current

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689	<p>When displaying addresses in 00:e000-00:ffff in the disassembly window, the information is incorrect due to bad logic in the target communications code.</p> <p>Workaround:</p> <p>For addresses between 00:e000-00:efff use ff:f000-ff:ffff</p> <p>For addresses between 00:f000-00:ffff use 01:e000-01:efff</p> <p>When debugging assembly in this region, insert filler code to move it to a different xpc value.</p>	See Description	7.20-current
690	<p>Curly brace char literal in assembly causes compile time error.</p> <p>Example the following program should compile:</p> <pre>main() { ; #asm ld a, '{' #endasm }</pre> <p>Instead it generates the following error: line 4 : ERROR : Unmatched '{'</p>	<p>Use ascii value instead</p> <pre>main() { ; #asm ld a, 0x7B #endasm }</pre>	7.20 - current
693	<p>int boundary case breaks division operation.</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>int f(int a,int b){printf("%x",(a/b));return (a/b);} main(){ int a,b; a = -32768; b = -1; if(f(a,b)!=32768){ printf("Sample Failed"); } else{ printf("Sample Passed"); } }</pre> <p>Note that the "Demotion of value" warning is appropriate when running the sample, the return of -32768 IS NOT.</p>	None	6.04-current

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694	For double variables $-0.0 < 0.0$, Boundary condition exposes error. Example: <pre>foo (double d) { d = -d; if (d < 0.0) printf("Test Failed"); else printf("Test Passed"); } main () { foo (0.0); }</pre>	None	6.04-current
699	Bad error message for invalid symbol name. The first error should say line 4 : ERROR Untitled : Illegal symbol name '13'. #define CR 13 main() { char CR;} line 4 : ERROR Untitled : Illegal symbol name ". line 4 : ERROR Untitled : Missing character ','. line 4 : ERROR Untitled : Bad declaration: ',' or '=' expected.	None	7.25 - current
720	Dynamic C's default behavior is correct for constant union variables, if the initializer is enclosed in curly braces: the initializer is casted (with no conversion) to the type of the <code>_first_</code> element in the declaration list of the union type. However, mixing float and integer types in a union can cause strange behavior with initializers (this is due to the differing internal representation of float and integer types, but the behavior is correct) . Dynamic C allows non-brace-enclosed initializers for constant union variables, which is incorrect.	None	6.04-current
721	The functions HDLCopenE and HDLCopenF do not return correct values. The variable baud ratio is never calculated.	None	7.25-current

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733	No Error messages received when using an ellipsis in an indexed cofunction.	Do not use ellipsis's within an indexed cofunction for they are not supported	6.04-current
735	Certain macros containing ' are parsed incorrectly, produce unnecessary error report. Example: The first of the following similar macro sets is not parsed correctly: // error messages follow: #define to_decimal(x) (x-'0') #define htod(x) (x-'A'+10) // no error messages follow (notice the added spaces): #define to_decimal2(x) (x - '0') #define htod2(x) (x- 'A' + 10) main(){ }	See Description.	7.25-current
753	Trying to compile to files with Ramonly-bios.C does not work and results with error warnings.	None	7.02P-current
758	Commenting out a middle line in a multiline macro definition can cause confusing erroneous error messages.	None	6.04-current
760	The error below is not reported on the correct line and can open and report the error in another file. #define SID(sid, s) xstring sid {s}; SID(SIDDsipDispatch1, "DispReadThr: dropping 199 msg timeout reading value\n"); // <-- missing " SID(SIDDsipDispatch2, "DispReadThr: dropping 198 msg timeout reading bodyLen\n"); void main() { }	None	7.25-current

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772	Using "Inspect > Dump at Address > Save Entire Flash to File" results in a binary file that is highly repetitive and incomplete. The first 128 bytes of flash content is repeated through the binary file's 1st 4K, then the flash's next (presumably) 128 bytes is repeated through the following 4K, and so on up until the size of the flash.	Use Dump to File (specifying Hex Address 0, # Bytes (Dec.) as the decimal size of the entire flash, and the File name) to generate a text dump file. Then (if necessary) write a converter program to translate the text dump file to a binary file.	7.20 - current
774	For useix functions ix may corrupt stack. Example: foobar(int left){ } nodebug root useix void foo(int left) { long l; l = 0; if((left&0x07) == 0){ foobar(left); return; // ld sp, ix generated is wrong } #asm ld ix, 0x9000 #endasm }	Don't use useix since its new rabbit instructions using sp are better anyway.	6.04-current
775	The compiler allows arrays larger than 64K bytes for 4 byte types.	None	6.50-current
776	RS232 - serXclose should restore output. Closing a serial port should return it's corresponding TX pin back to a normal output.	None	7.30

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778	<p>Long type with built-in function bit and #useix doesn't work</p> <p>The following program generates bad code for the bit test.</p> <pre>#useix main() { int i,oldi; long l; i = 0; oldi = i; set (&i, bit(1,1)); if(i==oldi){ printf("error\n");} }</pre>	Use assembly code or don't use useix.	6.04-current
782	<p>Watches broken when using function pointers in xmem with an ximport. Example:</p> <p>Steps to reproduce:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Compile the program below. 2. Add watch for 'test' function 3. Recompile program. Note that test does not reappear as it should 4. Add test watch again and DC will lose target communication and may crash. <p>Ximport, xmem, function pointer, and the order of the code all appear to matter.</p> <pre>#memmap xmem #ximport "samples/tcpip/http/pages/ rabbit1.gif" rabbit1_gif int test(); typedef int (*fcnptr)(); const fcnptr erg = test; void main() { } int test(){};</pre>	<p>Two possible work-arounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change order of code. For example, put test function before function pointer and watches will work again. 2. Exit DC. Remove .dbg file associated with .C file. Reopen DC and recompile. 	7.20-current

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783	The following code should not compile because the types conflict. <pre>extern int array[512]; extern int array[0]; main() { }</pre>	None	6.04-current
785	Some (odd) opcodes don't display properly in asm window when db'd in (may cause crash). There are two sets of opcodes for "LD HL, (mn)". The standard (shorter) one that is generated by the compiler is "0x2A mn" and displays correctly. The longer one is "0xED 0x6B mn" and does not display correctly. As an example, <pre>#asm db 0xED, 0x6B, 0x24, 0x00 #endasm</pre> should display <pre>ED6B2400 LD HL, (0024)</pre> but instead displays <pre>ED LD HL, (0024) 6B LD L, E 24 INC H 00 NOP</pre>	None	7.05P2 - current