

Getting Started with the Atmel Mega2560

Questions?

Solderless Breadboards

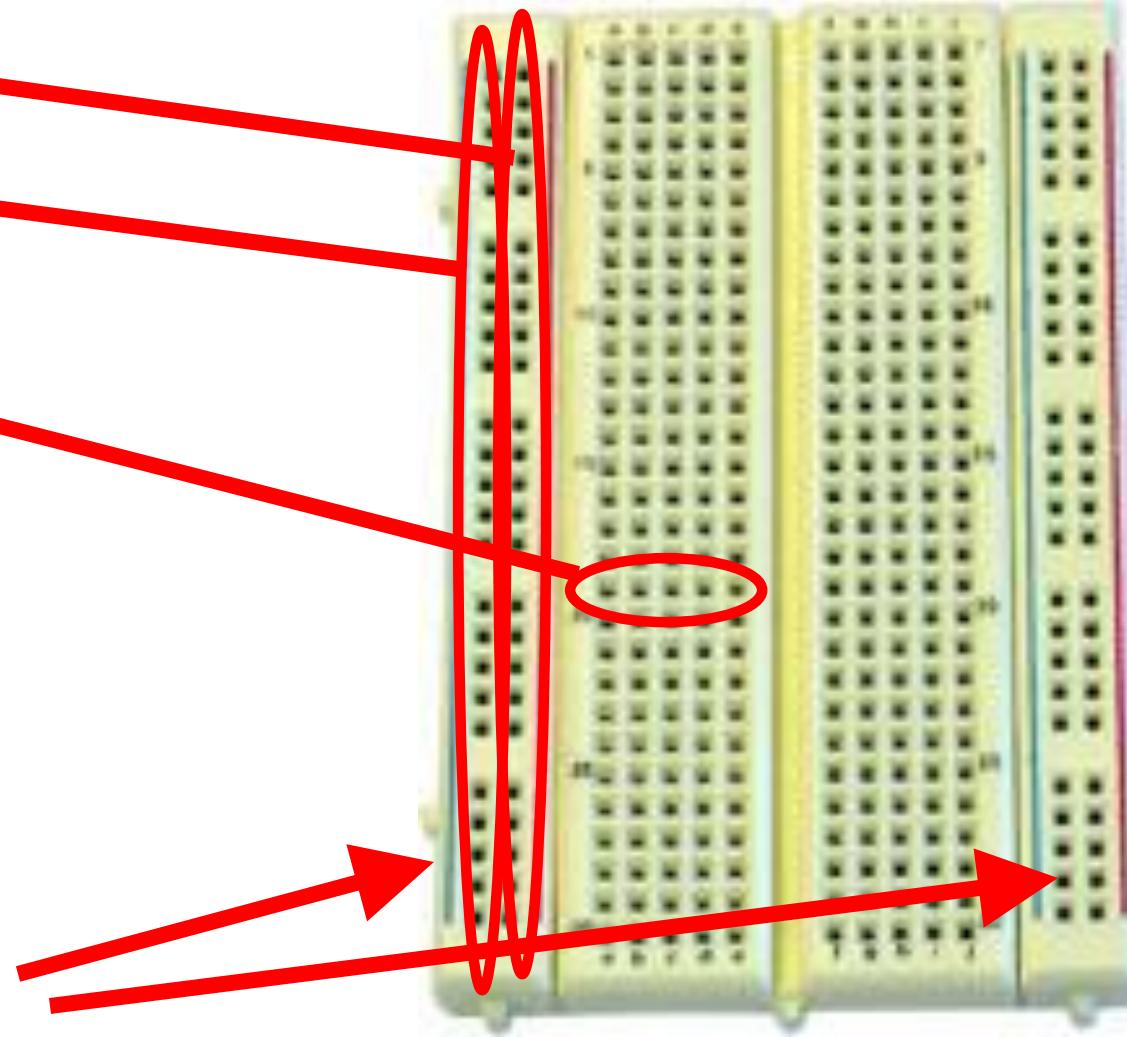
Power bus (red)

Ground bus

(blue)
Component bus

Note that the two
sides are not
connected

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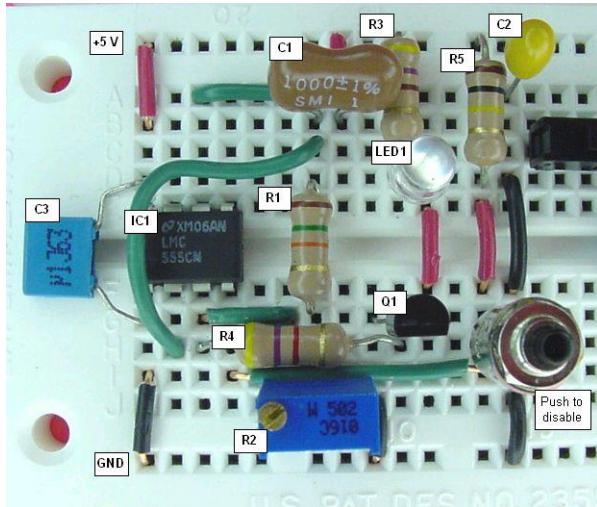
Wiring Standards

When possible, use wire colors for different types of signals:

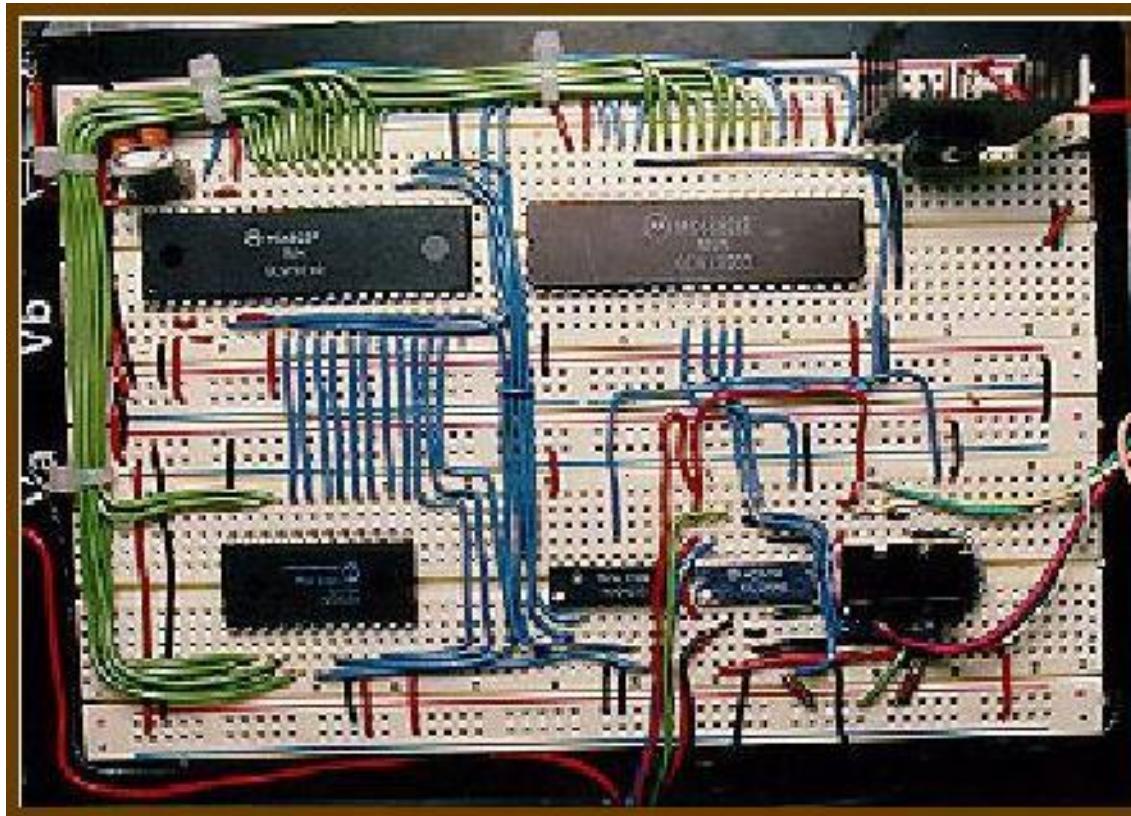
- Black: ground
- Red: power
- Other: various signals

Clean Wiring

A clean breadboard will make debugging easier – and it makes circuits more robust



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Care with Power

- Only insert components and wires into the breadboard when power is disconnected
- “Wire, check-twice, then power”
 - Never reverse power and ground (this is a very common mistake)
- Most chips that we will use expect +5V
 - More can destroy the chips
 - We will use DC/DC converters to step battery voltages down to +5V

Suggested Wiring Procedure

- Power supply
- Power/ground buses
- Insert primary components
- Wire power/ground for components
- Add signals and remaining components
- Test incrementally

Debugging Techniques

- Test incrementally
- Test intermediate sub-circuits

Physical Interface for Programming

AVR ISP



Physical Interface for Programming

AVR ISP

USB
connection to
your laptop



Physical Interface for Programming AVR ISP

Header connection
will connect to
your circuit
(through an
adapter)

Be careful when
you plug your
circuit in (check
before powering)



AVR ISPs are Cranky

- When things are plugged in and powered, you should see two green LEDs on the ISP (on most units)
- One red: usually means that your circuit is not powered
- Flashing orange: connector is backwards!
- Orange: the programmer is confused
 - Could be due to your circuit not being powered at 5V
 - Could be due to other problems
 - Check power and reboot the ISP

Compiling and Downloading Code

Once the chip is programmed, the AVR ISP will automatically reset the processor; starting your program

Hints

- Use LEDs to show status information (e.g., to indicate what part of your code is being executed)
- Remember: on the Arduino boards, there is a LED connected to port B, pin 7
- Have one LED blink in some unique way at the beginning of your program
- Go slow:
 - Implement and test incrementally
 - Insert plenty of pauses into your code (e.g., with `delay_ms()`)

Project 0

- Summary:
 - Write program that flashes the LED attached to PORTB, pin 7 at a chosen (visible) frequency.
 - Connect 4 LEDs and a switch to your Arduino board
 - Write a program that: waits for the switch to close, then displays an interesting LED flashing pattern
- Details are on the class web page

Compiling and Downloading

Preparation:

- Create a class folder to work in: e.g., “ame3623”
- Check out your group’s svn tree into this folder:
 - <http://www.cs.ou.edu/~fagg/classes/ame3623/svn.html>

Compiling and Downloading

Preparation (unix only):

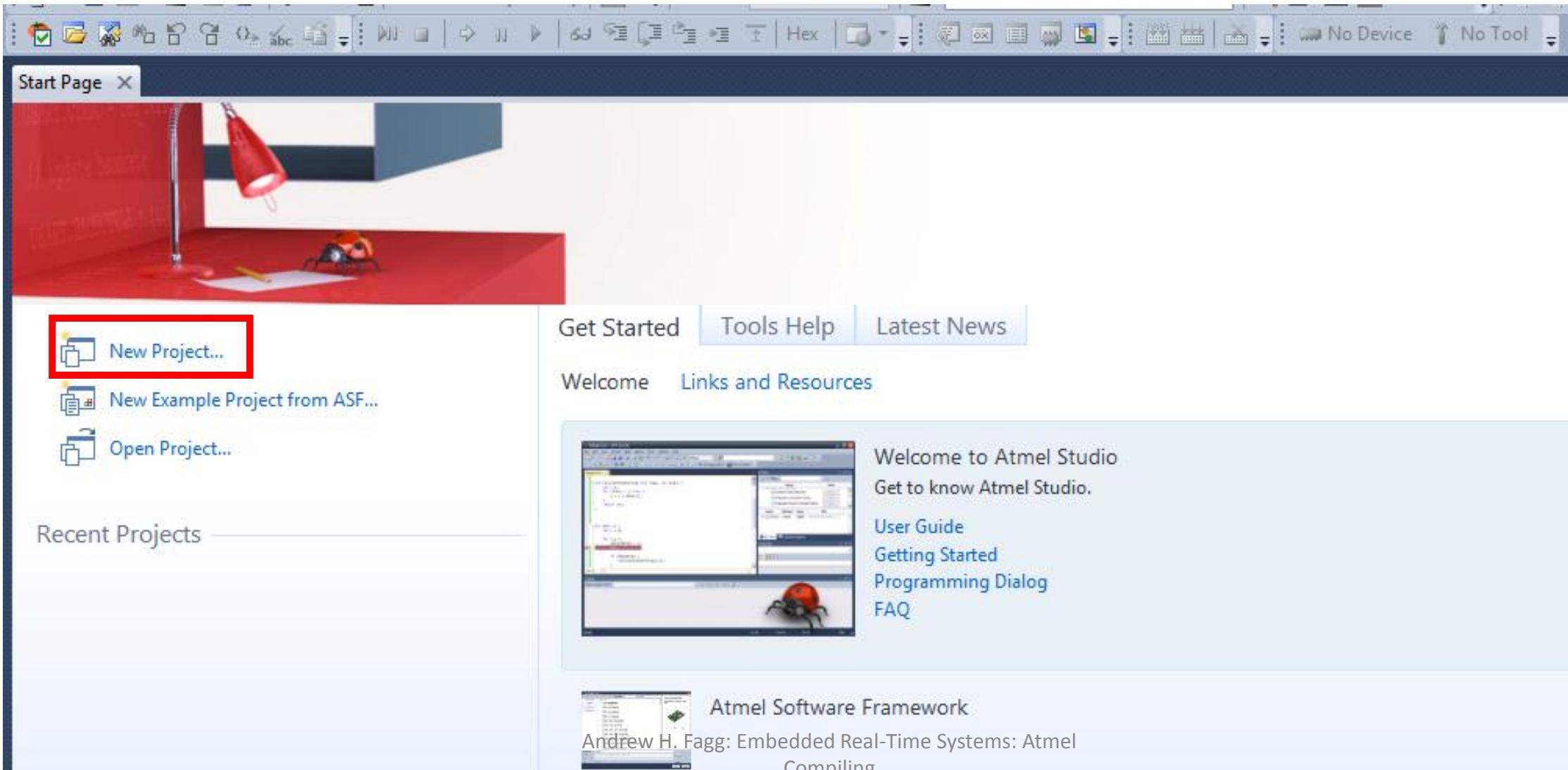
- You will work in: csesX/project0/project0/
- Makefile:
 - Copy csesX/makefile to project0/project0
 - No changes need to be made now, but the key lines are:
 - “TARGET” line is the name of the C file with the main function. Here, we have chosen “main”
 - “OULIB_DIR” references csesX/oulib/. In this example, it should be “../../oulib/”
- Create your C file in project0/project0/main.c
 - Most of you are using XCode for this

Compiling and Downloading (the Unix way)

At the command line:

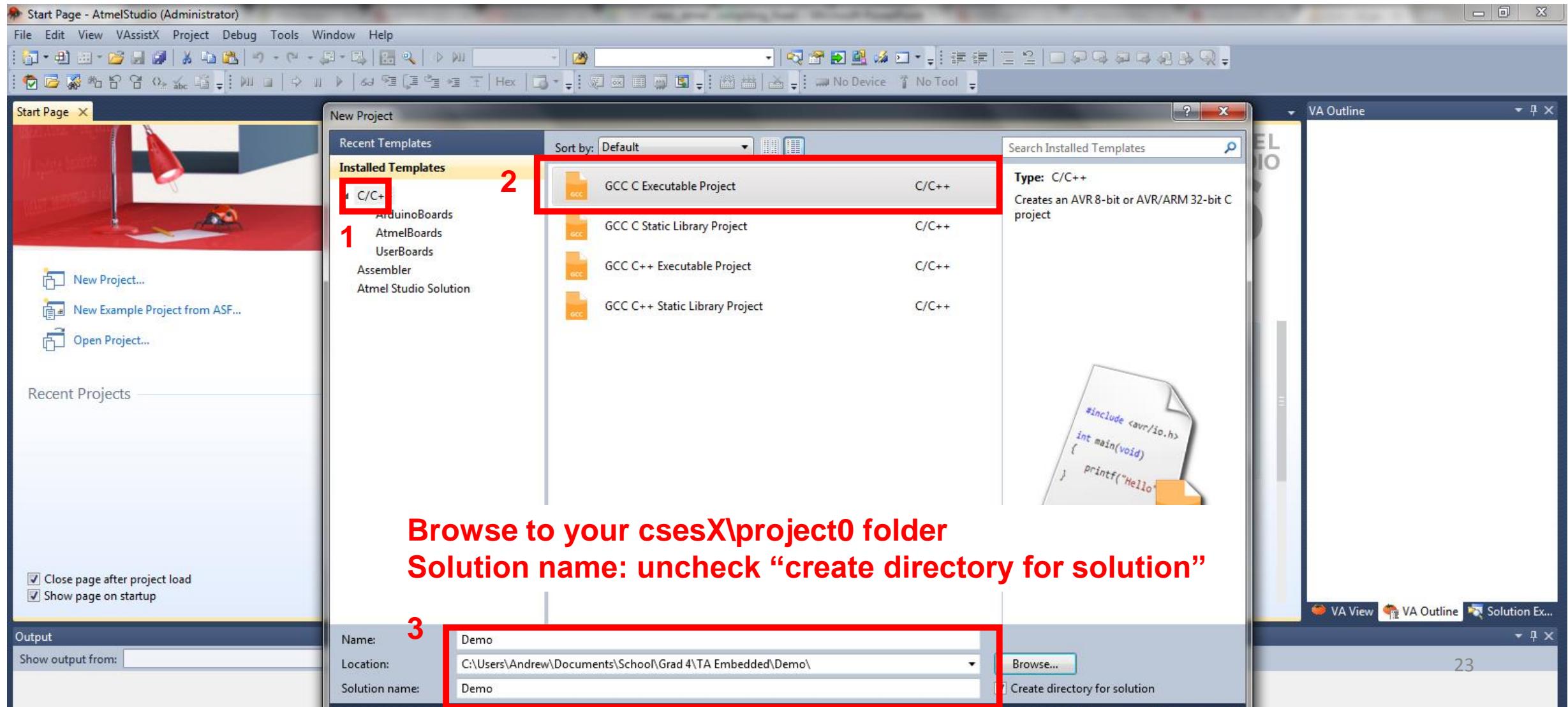
- “cd” to project0/project0/
- Type “make”
 - You should see no errors
 - If there are errors, then you must fix them before moving on
- Type “make program”
 - This will download your code to the processor
 - Again, you should see no errors

Windows: Getting Started

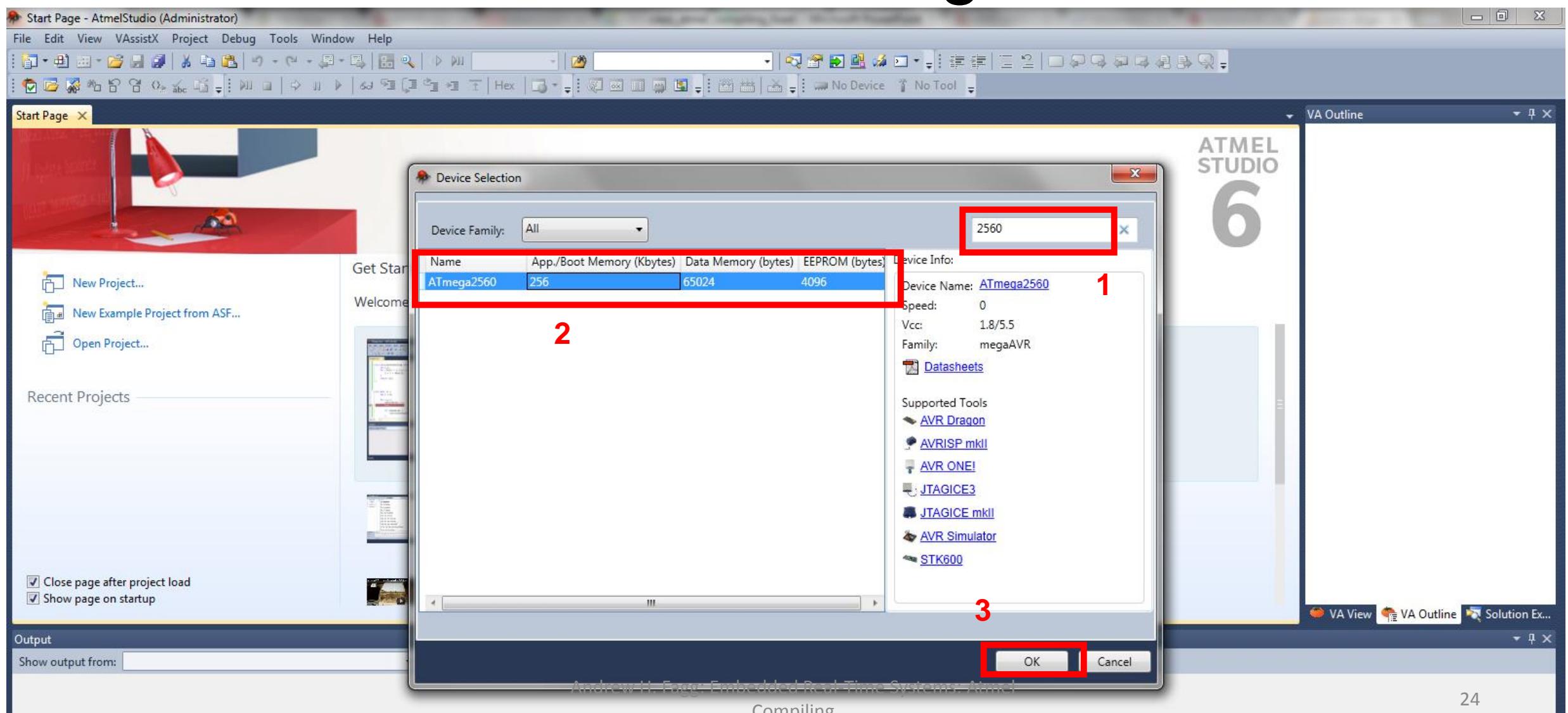


The screenshot shows the Atmel Studio 6.2 interface on a Windows operating system. The title bar includes standard icons for file operations, zoom, and toolbars. The toolbar above the main area contains icons for project management, code navigation, and other development tools. The main window is titled "Start Page" and features a decorative background image of a desk with a red lamp, a blue block, and a red spider. On the left, there is a sidebar with buttons for "New Project...", "New Example Project from ASF...", and "Open Project...". Below this is a "Recent Projects" section. The main content area has tabs for "Get Started", "Tools Help", and "Latest News", with "Latest News" being the active tab. It displays a welcome message and links to "Links and Resources" and "User Guide", "Getting Started", "Programming Dialog", and "FAQ". A screenshot of the Atmel Studio interface is shown on the left of the main content area. At the bottom, there is a footer with the text "Atmel Software Framework" and "Andrew H. Fagg: Embedded Real-Time Systems: Atmel Compiling".

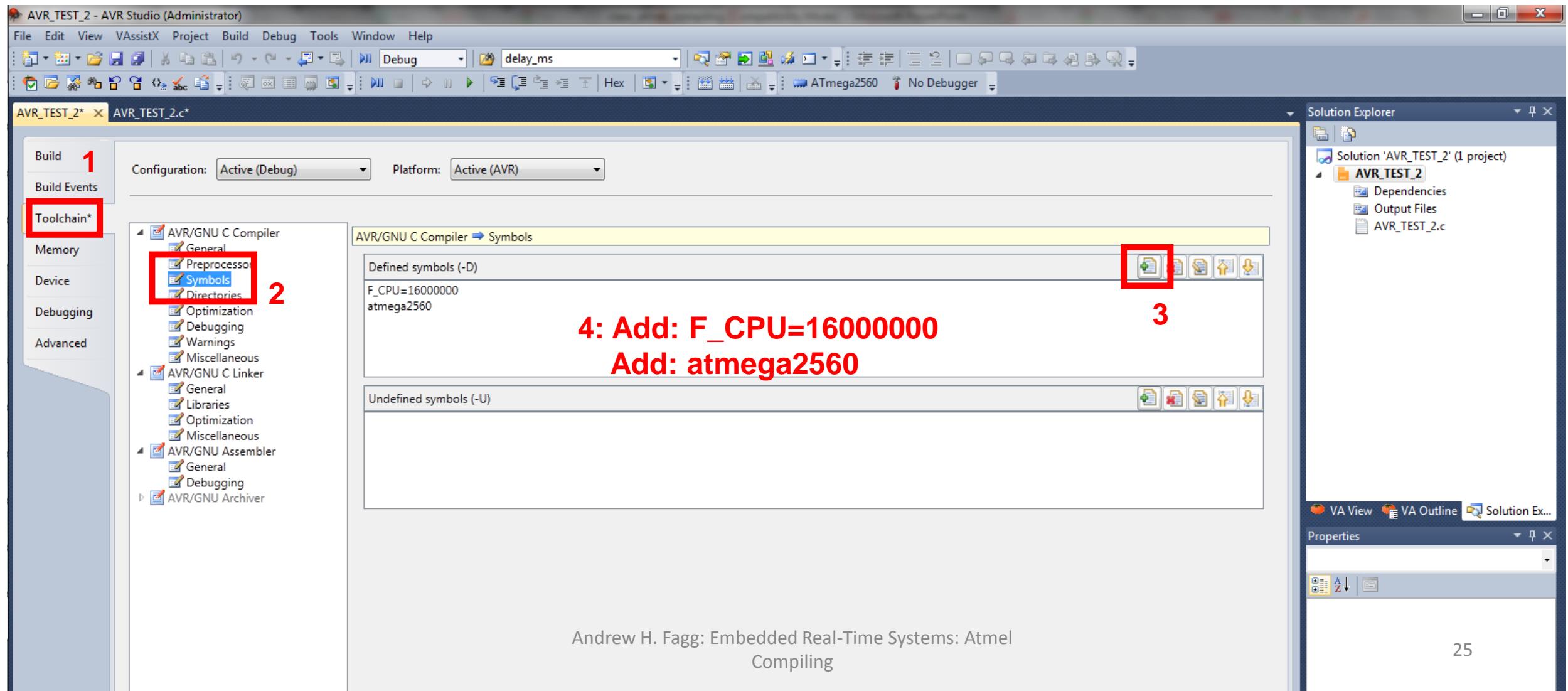
New Project



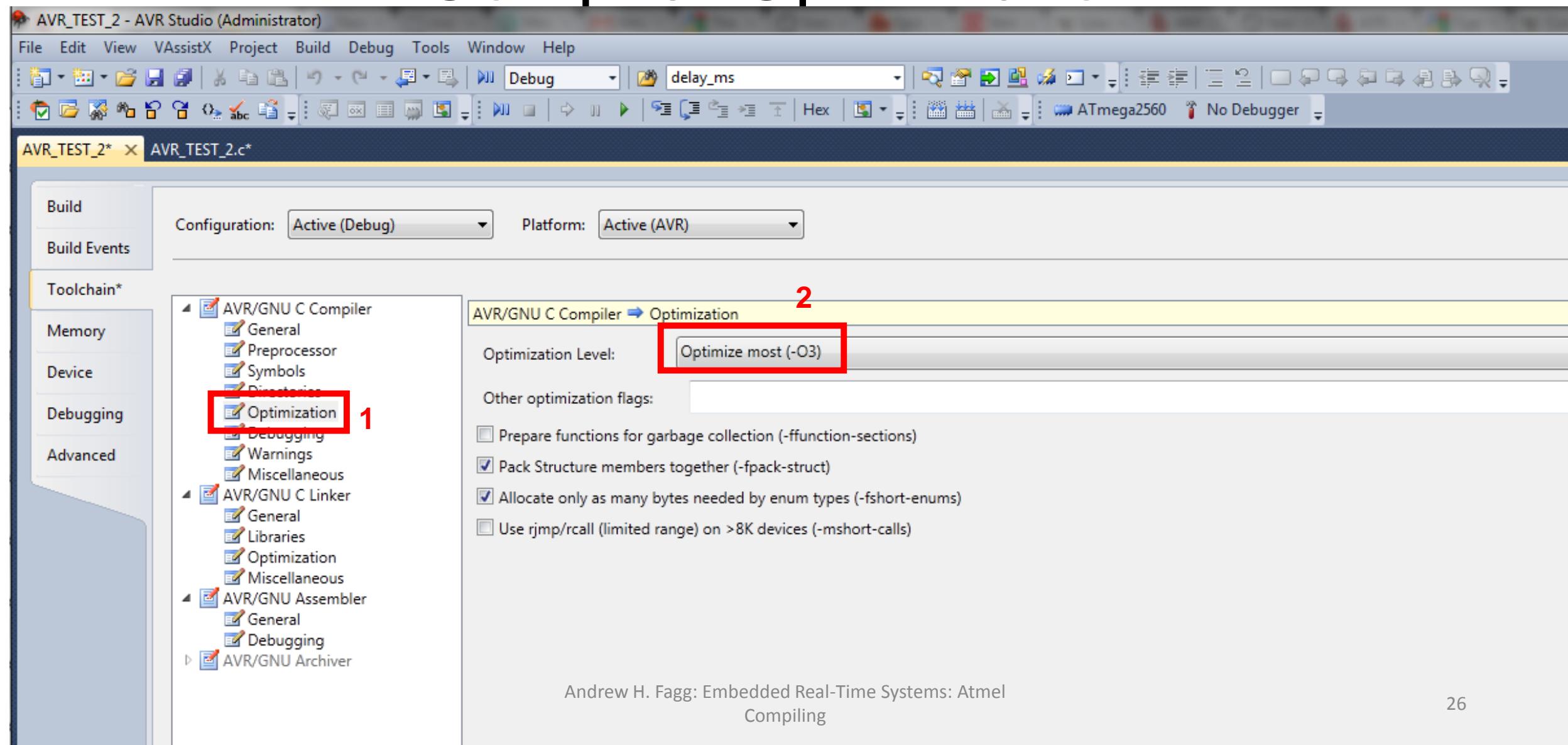
Select the ATmega2560



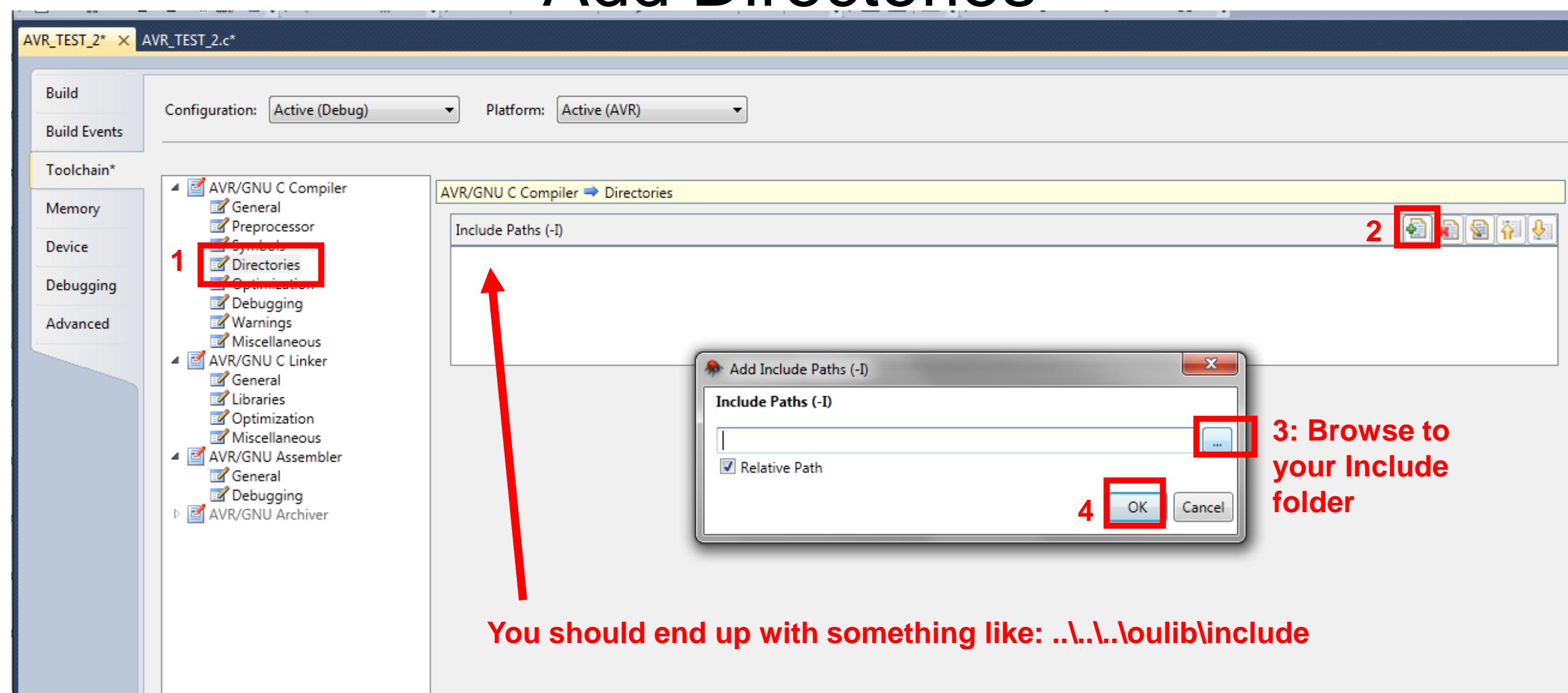
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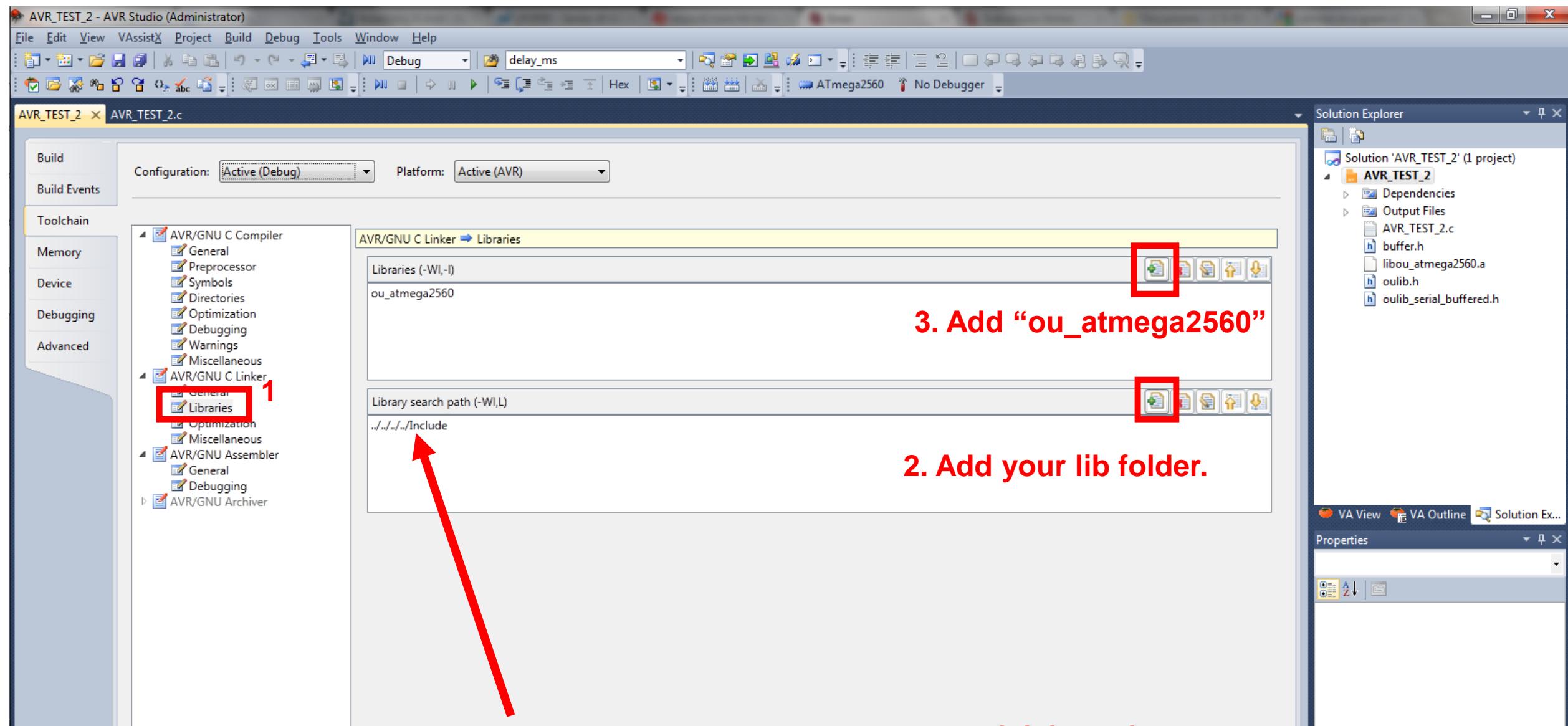
Compiler Optimization



Add Directories



Add Libraries

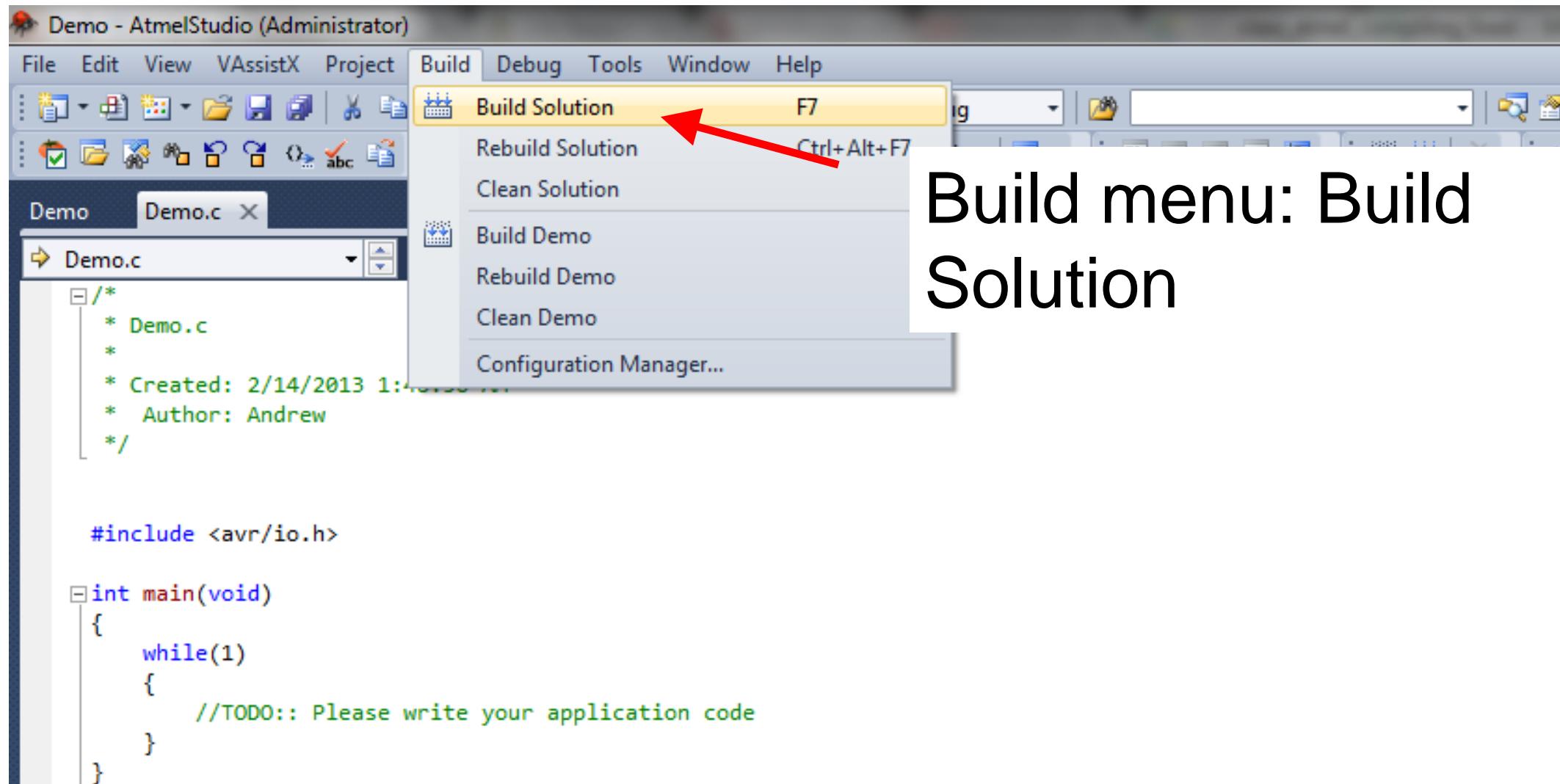


Now for the code...

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#include "oulib.h"

int main(void)
{
    DDRB = 0x80;          // port B, pin 7

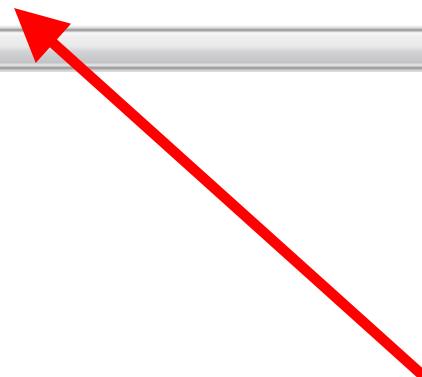
    while(1) {
        // Your code here
    }
}
```



Build menu: Build Solution

```
Output
Show output from: Build
done building target "CoreBuild" in project "Demo.cproj".
Target "PostBuildEvent" skipped, due to false condition; ('$(PostBuildEvent)' != '') was evaluated as ('' != '').
Target "Build" in file "C:\Program Files (x86)\Atmel\Atmel Studio 6.0\Vs\Avr.common.targets" from project "C:\Users\Andrew\Docum
Done building target "Build" in project "Demo.cproj".
Done building project "Demo.cproj".

Build succeeded.
===== Build: 1 succeeded or up-to-date, 0 failed, 0 skipped =====
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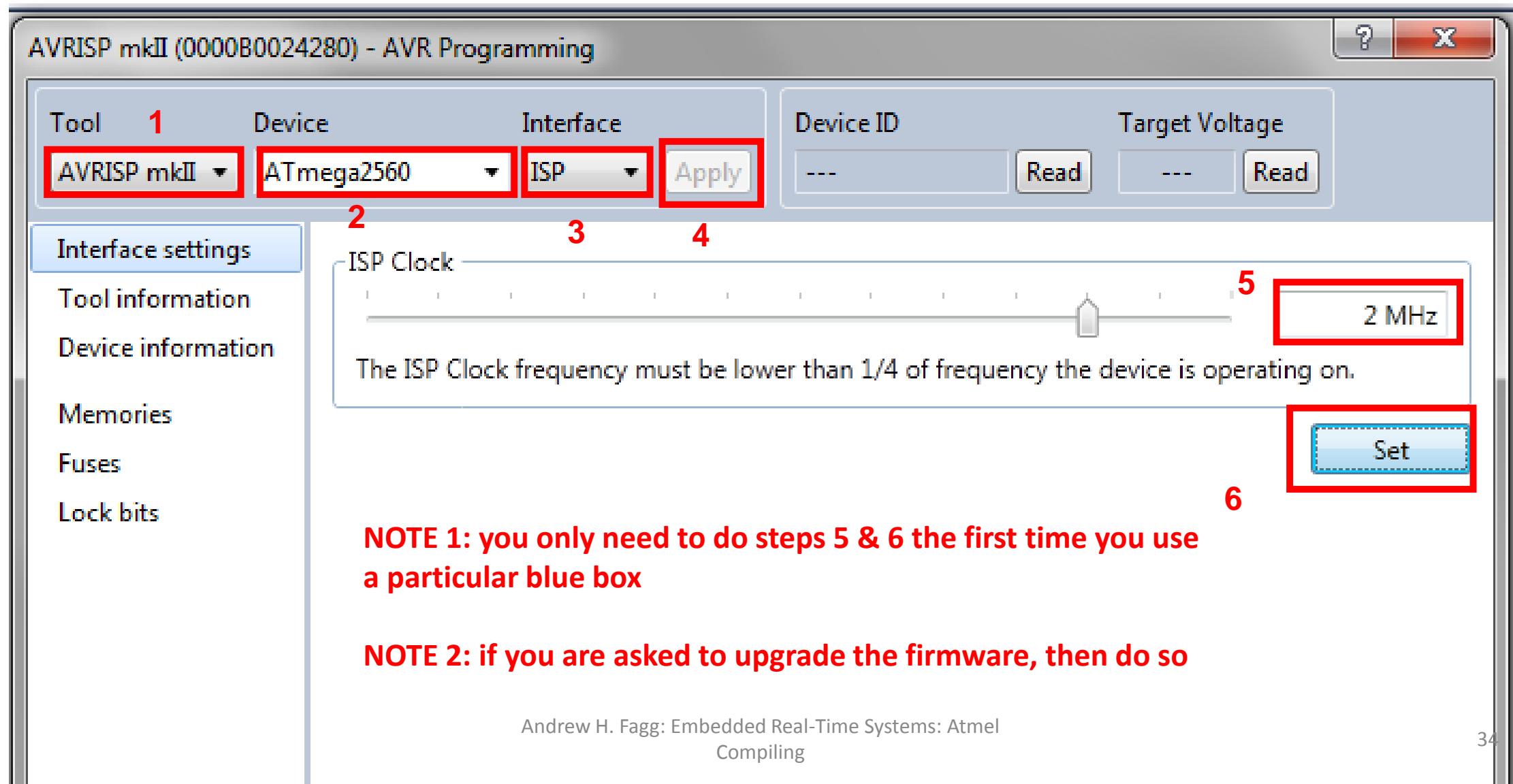


You should get this

Now We Are Ready...

- Plug the programmer into your computer **and** into the Arduino board (If it is not already)
- Make sure your Arduino board has power
 - Either from USB or batteries
- And download the program...
 - Tools Menu: Device Programming

Select the AVR Mk II



Tool

AVRISP mkII

Device

ATmega2560

Interface

ISP

Apply

Device ID

Read

Target Voltage

Read

Interface settings

Tool information

Device information

Memories

Fuses 1

Lock bits

Device

Erase Device

 Verify device after programming

Flash

\Documents\School\Grad 2\TA Embedded\AVR Test\AVR_TEST\AVR_TEST.hex

 Erase device before programming

Program

Verify

Read...

EEPROM

2: Find the <Project Name>.elf file
It will be in your Debug folder

Flashing?

Your program will start executing as soon as the download is complete ...

Your on-board Light Emitting Diode should be blinking

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