## Release Notes: GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX

2<sup>nd</sup> of April, 2018

CyberThor Studios Ltd. is releasing the GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX, a cross compiler tool for Renesas RX micro-controllers.

# **SALIENT FEATURES**

The GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX toolchain is based on:

- ❖ GCC 4.8.4 [released]
- ❖ Binutils 2.24 [released]
- Newlib 2.2.0 [released]
- ❖ GDB 7.8.2 [released]

The latest patches are applied to GCC, Binutils and Newlib sources.

# ABOUT GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX

Release Version:	GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX
Release Date:	2 <sup>nd</sup> of April, 2018
Platforms Supported:	Red Hat GNU/Linux v8.0 or later (or compatible distribution) Windows XP, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10
Language:	C, C99, C++
Targets:	RX100 RX200 RX600 RX64M RX700
Object File Format:	ELF

#### CHANGES IN THE GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX

This section describes the fixes made in the GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX release.

#### GCC/Binutils:

- 1. [New Feature] New multilibs support for RX64M.
- 2. [Bug-Fix] The -mno-balign option can be now disabled when optimizing for size.
- 3. [Improvement] Using the -mpid and -mrelax options together will now return a warning.
- 4. [Improvement] Improved the generated codesize for specific xor instructions.
- 5. [Improvement] Optimized generated code of the mov instruction.
- 6. [Improvement] Improved speed and optimized the code size in certain scenarios.

#### **INSTALLER and RPM:**

- 1. The GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX Installer onwards supports the 'Custom Installation' and 'Default Installation' modes. The 'Default Installation' mode is set by default where the tools are installed into the default location at "C:\Program Files\GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX" and the user's username and activation key are silently accepted if cached in the registry.
- 2. The GNURX ABI (Application Binary Interface) is made available on our GNU Tools support website (<a href="https://gcc-renesas.com">https://gcc-renesas.com</a>) and also provided along with Linux RPM and Windows installer.

#### Notes:

This installer does not provide an option to integrate the GNURX toolchain with e2 studio, as the e2 studio IDE will automatically detect the GNURX toolchain installation on start-up for integration. Alternatively, you may use the 'Toolchain Management' feature in e2 studio to achieve this.

For details on e2 studio please visit the following link below: http://www.renesas.com/products/tools/ide/ide\_e2studio/index.jsp

There is no support in this installer to integrate toolchain with the HEW IDE.



## KNOWN ISSUES IN GCC 4.8.4.201801-GNURX

This section describes all known issues for this particular release:

1. In certain cases the program will time out while executing with following options:

Note: Both flags need to be accompanied by "-fno-diagnostics-show-caret -w -O1 -DSTACK\_SIZE=4096 -msim -lm" for the problem to be observed.

- a) -funroll-loops b) -fpeel-loops
- 2. An incomplete type error can be observed ocasionally when using the -fpack-struct option in C++. The combination of the flags that reproduce this problem is "-fpack-struct -fno-diagnostics-show-caret -nostdinc++ -fmessagelength=0 -std=c++11 -pedantic-errors -Wno-long-long -S -msim"

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