How to install missing device to CodeWarrior for HCS12 v5.2

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CodeWarrior Development Studio for HCS12(X) Microcontrollers (Classic IDE) v5.2 has been released for several months.

Comparing with CodeWarrior v5.1, the big improvements in CodeWarrior v5.2 are listed as followings. Remember these features don't exist in CodeWarrior v5.1:

- CodeWarrior v5.2 starts to support 32/64 bit Windows 8, Windows
 8.1 and Windows 10 officially.
- Added support for latest P&E interfaces. CodeWarrior v5.2 starts to support USB Multilink Universal FX and Cyclone Universal FX -USB/Serial/Ethernet.

However, according to market decision, CodeWarrior v5.2 removes the following connections:

- SofTec connection inDART-HCS12 or Starter Kit
- - HCS12 Serial Monitor connection
- - Abatron BDI connection
- TBDML Connection

And CodeWarrior v5.2 also removes many devices. This release includes support for the following derivatives:

- MC9S12C128, MC9S12C32, MC9S12C64, MC9S12C96
- MC9S12G128, MC9S12G96
- MC9S12GC128, MC9S12GC16, MC9S12GC32, MC9S12GC64

- MC9S12GN16, MC9S12GN32
- MC9S12P32, MC9S12P64, MC9S12P96, MC9S12P128
- MC9S12XEP100, MC9S12XEP768
- MC9S12XEQ384, MC9S12XEQ512
- - MC9S12XET256
- MC9S12XS128, MC9S12XS256, MC9S12XS64
- MC9S12VR16, MC9S12VR32, MC9S12VR48, MC9S12VR64

So the problem comes.

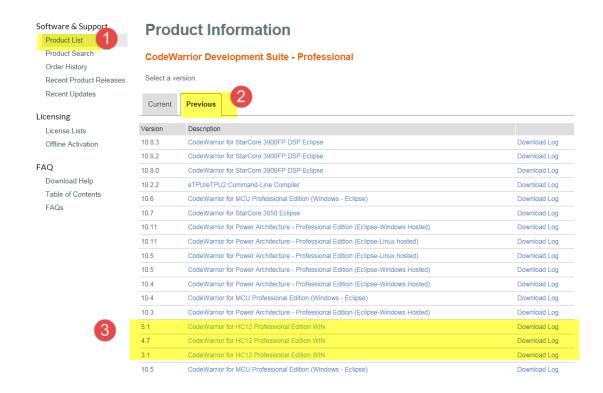
Recently, since v5.2 release, I have received many questions from customers. These questions are almost similar: how to add the missing devices back to my CodeWarrior v5.2 ?

From my side I think there is one workaround if the specific device has a service pack.

For example, we want to install MM912F634 service pack to CodeWarrior v5.2. we can:

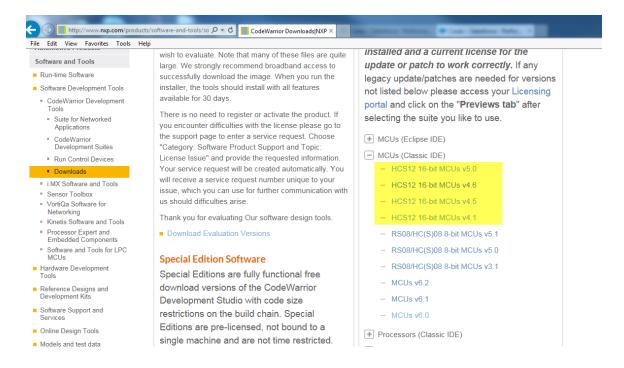
1. Login NXP web site, Software & Support center. We can find the previous CW for HCS12 items. There are many service packs listed under each of them.

Refer article: How to download a Service Pack / Patch / Update?

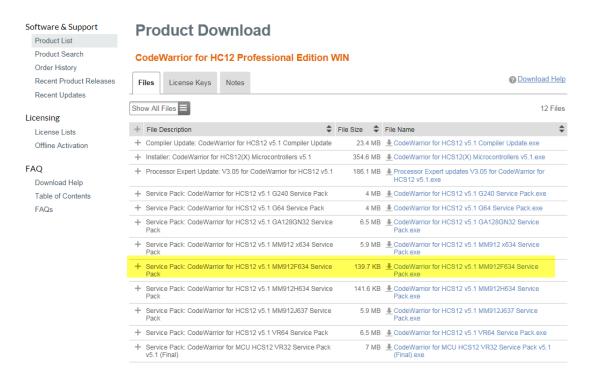


In addition, there are also some updates listed here

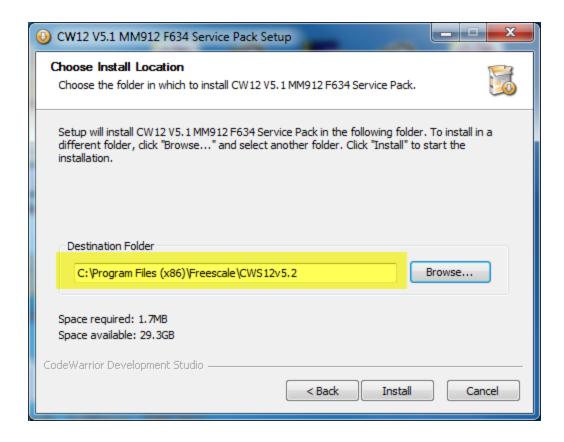
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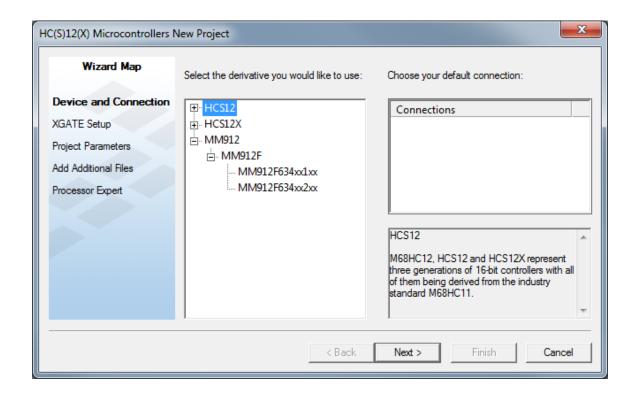
2. NXP has MM912F634 Service Pack for CodeWarrior v5.1, so we access CodeWarrior for HCS12 v5.1 entry. Download CodeWarrior for HCS12 v5.1 MM912F634 Service Pack.exe



3. Run CodeWarrior for HCS12 v5.1 MM912F634 Service Pack.exe. be careful we need **manually** modify the destination folder to CodeWarrior v5.2 install folder:



- 4. Then go on install procedure until it is finished.
- 5. Restart CodeWarrior v5.2, we will see MM912F634 existing in the wizard. User can use it for project normally.



Summary:

If there is an existing service pack for a specific missing device, we can use this introduced workaround to add missing device to CodeWarrior v5.2.

However if there is no service pack for a device, so far we don't have a workaround for that. Because to add a support device, many low level files need to be added and revised, that causes the work not that easy. In this case, the only choice is to use CodeWarrior v5.1.