

OpenOCD cheat sheet

General usage: `openocd -f path/to/file-with-cmds.cfg -c "command in args"`
default file path is `/usr/share/openocd/scripts/`
OpenOCD starts a GDB server by default on port 3333, can be configured with `gdb_port`
It also starts a Telnet server for running commands at runtime, on port 4444 (`telnet_port`)

Select interface ('JTAG probe'): `-f interface/probe.cfg` eg. `buspirate`
Select CPU/MCU: `-f target/mpu.cfg` eg. `zynq_7000`
Select devboard (interface+target): `-f board/boardname.cfg` eg. `stm32f0discovery`

General commands:

`help cmd` get help for a command
`exit` close telnet, OpenOCD stays
`shutdown` stop OpenOCD

Adapter/interface config:

`adapter driver name` : select itf
`transport select xport` : jtag/swd/...
`adapter speed khz` : select phys. speed

Debugging:

<code>init</code>	config → runtime mode (cfg: specify target/itf/..., rt: do device ops)
<code>scan_chain</code>	do a scan of all available JTAG devices
<code>reg (name) (value)</code>	get/set a register (default: get all)
<code>halt</code>	stop target cpu for debugging
<code>resume step (addr)</code>	resume/single-step cpu, opt. at address
<code>reset (run halt init)</code>	hard reset
<code>m[dw][bhwd] addr (val) (num)</code>	memory Display/Write, 8(b)/16(h)/32(w)/64(d)-bit
<code>dump_image file addr size</code>	dump memory to file
<code>load_image file (addr) (size)</code>	load file into memory

Flash commands:

<code>flash banks</code>	list available flash on target
<code>flash info bankno</code>	show info (size, lock, ...) of bank
<code>flash read_bank bankno file (addr) (len)</code>	dump flash to file
<code>program file (actions addr)</code>	program flash

Note: specific flash drivers can have extra lock/protect/... options, see docs. Not covered: erasing flash (`flash erase_sector` etc).

NAND commands:

<code>nand list, nand probe num</code>	like <code>flash banks</code> , <code>flash info</code> . <code>probe</code> is reqd for ↓!
<code>nand dump num file off len</code>	dump NAND
<code>nand write num file off</code>	write NAND

Not covered: erasing NAND (`nand erase`), checking integrity (`check_bad_blocks` etc).

TL;DR and examples:

"I want to load a program into RAM and debug it with gdb"

```
openocd -f board/mydevbrd.cfg -c init -c "load_image myprog.elf" -c "reset halt"
```

→ connect gdb to server at `localhost:3333`. sequence of `-c` args can be put in its own script file and used with `-f` to avoid having to retype everything

"Tell me what this device is":

```
openocd -f interface/probe.cfg -c "transport select jtag" -c init -c scan_chain -c shutdown
```

"I want to dump the flash of this MCU I found"

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openocd -f interface/probe.cfg -f target/mcu.cfg -c init -c "flash banks" -c "flash info 0" -c shutdown
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openocd -f interface/probe.cfg -f target/mcu.cfg -c init -c "flash read_bank 0 flash.bin" -c shutdown
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