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Creating a Project in Visual Studio

Open Visual Studio. Somewhere during this process you may be asked to choose your language. These directions assume you have chosen C++.



1) Create a project by choosing File >> New >> Project...

2) Choose the Win32 project type and the Win32 Console Application.

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3) I usually unclick **Create directory for solution**. Then I choose a Name (e.g., hw1) for my project and change the Location for the files that will be part of the project. It's important that those using the labs change the project location to something more permanent, such as your J drive or an external storage location such as a flash drive.

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4) Choose Application Settings. Then choose Console application and Empty project, followed by Finish.

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5) At this point, you are now ready to add a file to your project. Right click on **Source Files** and choose Add >> New Item...



6) Choose **Code** and then **C++ File (.cpp).** At the bottom of the form, enter the name of your file (e.g., hw1) and then click **Add**.

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7) You are now ready to type (or paste) your program in the pane on the right.

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8) To compile your program, choose Build >> Build Solution (or F7). If it compiles, then you can run it by choosing Debug >> Start Without Debugging (or Ctrl + F5). This will launch a console window. 9) To save your output, left-click the upper of the console window and choose Edit >> Mark. Then highlight the text by pressing and holding the left mouse button, followed by right-clicking to end. You can now paste the text with Ctrl-v.

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Produce Assembly Language Output

This assumes the project is called HW.

- Project >> HW Properties
- Configuration Properties >> C/C++ >> Output Files
- change Assembler Output from

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Assembly With Source Code

Output ends up in Debug (or Release) directory

Statically Link

If you wish to run your program (the executable) on another machine, you may need to produce a statically linked executable. To do this (assuming your project is called myhomework):

- 1. go to Project -> myhomework Properties -> Configuration Properties -> C/C++ -> Code Generation
- change the value of Runtime Library from "Multi-Threaded DLL" to "Multi-Threaded"

Compile as a C89 Source Code

To compile your program based on C89 rules, (assuming your project is called myhomework):

- 1. go to Project -> myhomework Properties -> Configuration Properties -> C/C++ -> Advanced
- 2. change "Compile As" to "Compile as C Code"

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