

# OpenCV Quick Start Guide

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# Introduction to OpenCV

What is OpenCV?



# Introduction to OpenCV

- OpenCV is an open source computer vision library originally developed by Intel Corporation.
- OpenCV provides easy to use APIs for Image Processing / Computer Vision / Machine Learning algorithms.
- OpenCV also provides support for
  - Basic GUI for loading / saving / viewing images / videos being processed
  - Real-time mono / stereo video capture and subsequent processing
- The library code is highly optimized for native C/C++/Python development.
- OpenCV has been ported for Windows/Linux/Android/iOS platforms



# Downloading and Installing OpenCV

Welcome to OpenCV 2.4.6



# Downloading and Installing OpenCV

- OpenCV is supported in both Windows and Linux platforms.
- The OpenCV 2.4.6 for windows can be downloaded from the following location
  - <http://opencv.org/downloads.html>
  - <http://sourceforge.net/projects/opencvlibrary/files/opencv-win/2.4.6>
  - Install OpenCV using the downloaded executable
    - OpenCV-2.4.6.0.exe



# Microsoft Visual C++ Development Environment

- This tutorial will only discuss installation / configuration for the Windows platform using Microsoft Visual C++ as the preferred development environment.
- This tutorial assumes basic level of familiarity with C/C++ programming on MS VC++ IDE.
- You can get MS Visual C++ 2010 Express Edition here
  - <http://www.microsoft.com/visualstudio/eng/downloads#d-2010-express>
  - It's usable for 30 days without registration
  - Beyond 30 days you must register the product at Microsoft free of cost
- Create a new VC++ project as Win32 console application

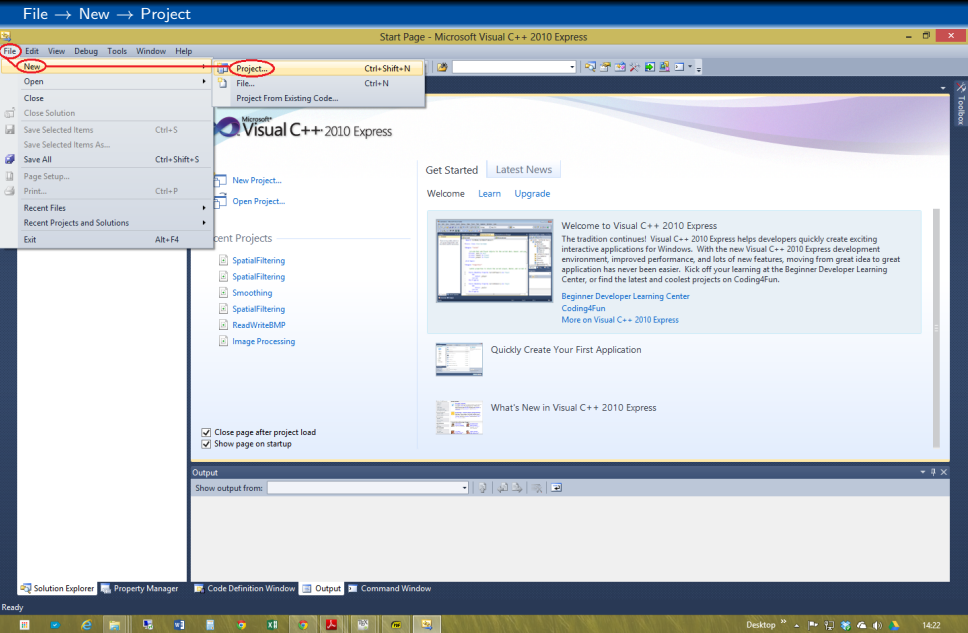


# How to Create VC++ Project

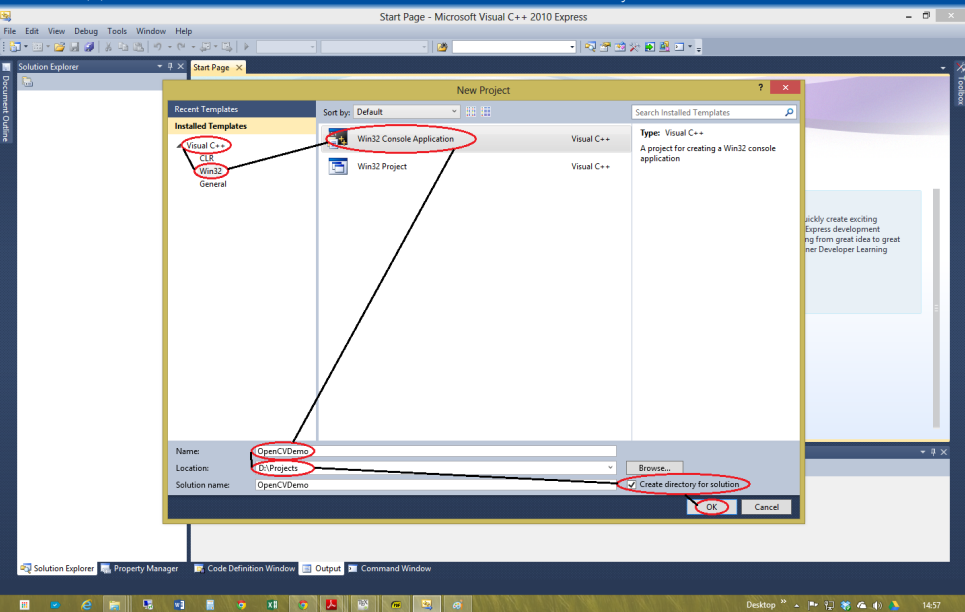
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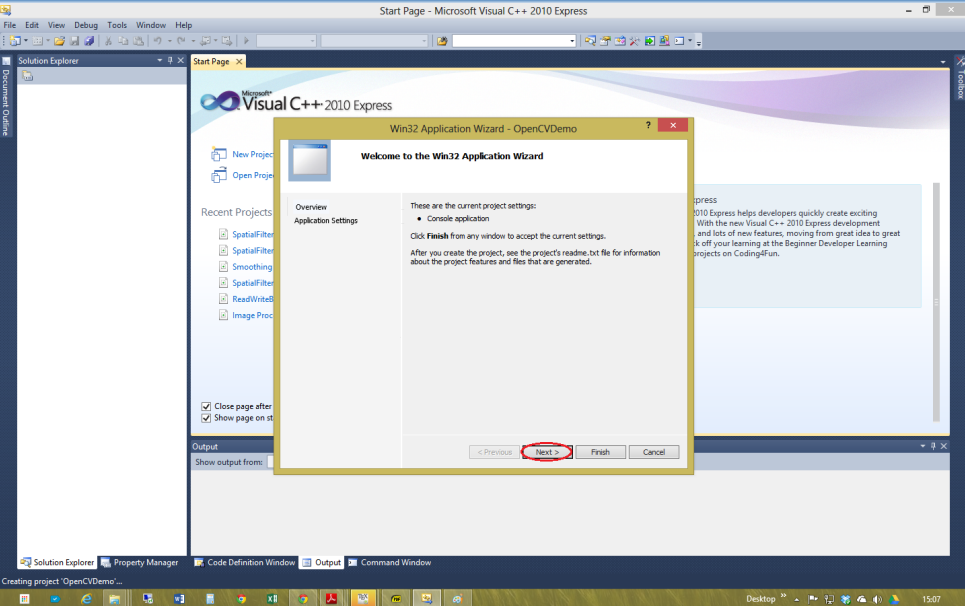




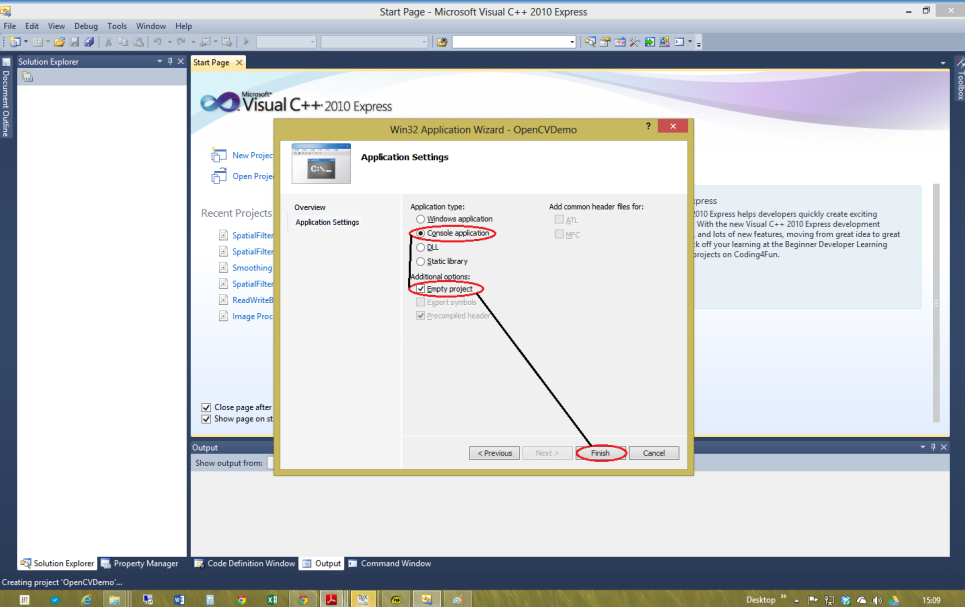


Visual C++ → Win32 → Win32 Console → Name → Location → Create directory for solution → OK



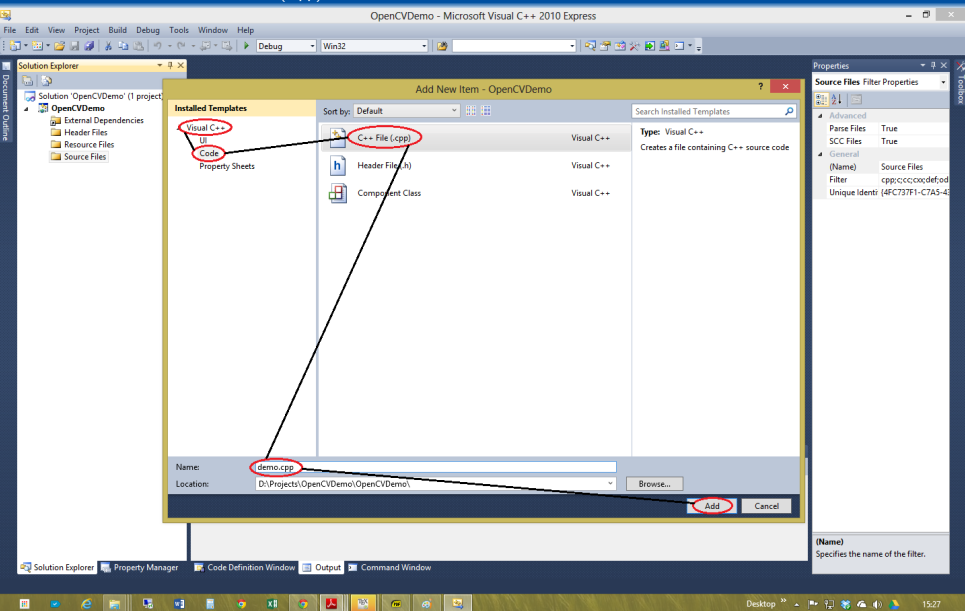


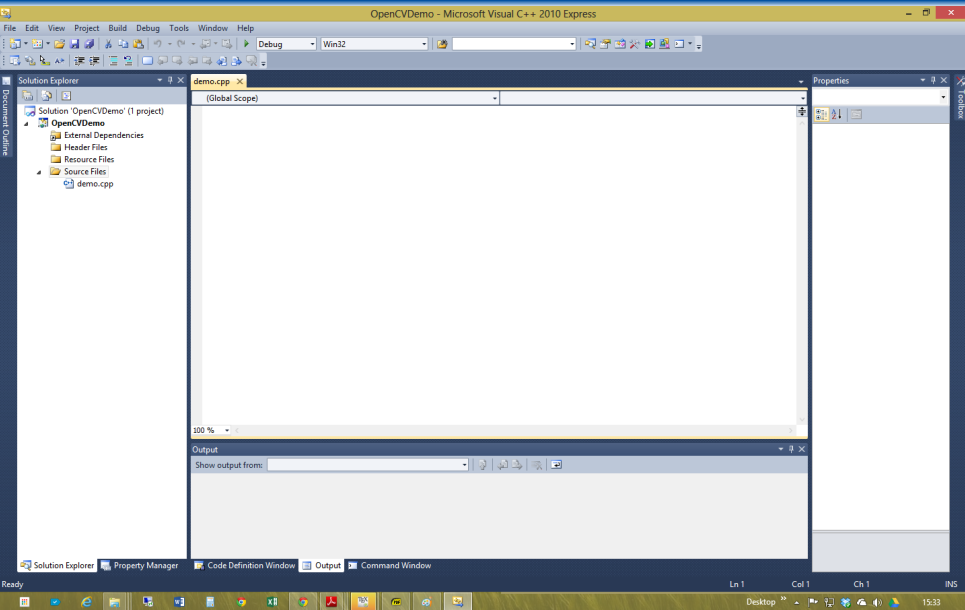
## Console application → Empty project → Finish





## Visual C++ → Code → C++ File (.cpp) → Name → Add





# Configuring Visual C++ 2010 for OpenCV





# Configuring VC++ Project for OpenCV

- Start Microsoft Visual Studio / C++ 2010
  - Create a new VC++ project as Win32 console application  
or
  - Open any VC++ Project
- It's a four step process
  - Configure the header file path
  - Configure the library file path
  - Add the list of library dependencies
  - Select Static Runtime Library



# Configure Header Path

- Open menu item Project → “Project Name” Properties
- Select Configuration Properties → C/C++ → General → Additional Include Directories
  - Add path “C:\opencv\build\include” to the list



OpenCVDemo - Microsoft Visual C++ 2010 Express

File Edit View **Project** Build Debug Tools Window Help

Solution Explorer

- Solution 'OpenCVDemo' (1 project)
  - OpenCVDemo**
    - External Dependencies
    - Header Files
    - Resource Files
    - Source Files
      - demo.cpp

demo.cpp

```
#include <opencv2/opencv.hpp>

using namespace cv;

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
```

OpenCVDemo Property Pages

Configuration: Active(Debug) Platform: Active(Win32)

- Common Properties
- Configuration Properties**
  - General
  - Debugging
  - VC++ Directories
    - C/C++**
      - General**
        - Optimization
        - Preprocessor
        - Code Generation
        - Language
        - Precompiled Headers
        - Output Files
        - Browse Information
        - Advanced
        - Command Line
  - Linker
  - Manifest Tool
  - XML Document Generator
  - Browse Information
  - Build Events
  - Custom Build Step

Additional Include Directories

Resolve #using References

Debug Information Format

Common Language Runtime Support

Suppress Startup Banner

Warning Level

Treat Warnings As Errors

Multi-processor Compilation

Use Unicode For Assembler Listing

Program Database for Edit And Continue (/ZI)

Additional Include Directories

C:\opencv\build\include

Inherited values:

☒ Inherit from parent or project defaults

Macros >>

OK Cancel Apply

Additional Include Directories

Specifies one or more directories to add to the include path; separate with semi-colons if more than one. /I[path]

OK Cancel Apply

Solution Explorer Property Manager Code Definition Window Output Command Window

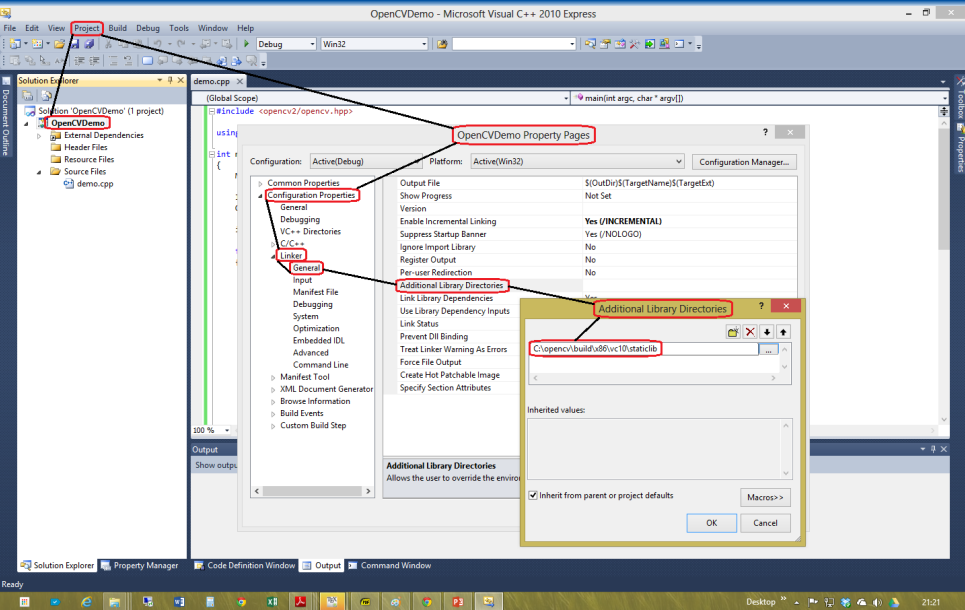
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# Configure Library Path

- Open menu item Project → “Project Name” Properties
- Select Configuration Properties → Linker → General → Additional Library Directories
  - Add path “C:\opencv\build\x86\vc10\staticlib” to the list





# Configure Library Dependencies

- Open menu item Project → “Project Name” Properties
- Select Configuration Properties → Linker → Input → Additional Dependencies
  - Add the following to the list
    - `opencv_core246d.lib`
    - `opencv_imgproc246d.lib`
    - `opencv_highgui246d.lib`
    - `IlmImfd.lib`
    - `libjasperd.lib`
    - `libjpegd.lib`
    - `libpngd.lib`
    - `libtiffd.lib`
    - `zlibd.lib`
    - `comctl32.lib`



OpenCVDemo - Microsoft Visual C++ 2010 Express

File Edit View **Project** Build Debug Tools Window Help

Solution Explorer: demo.cpp

Global Scope: `#include <opencv2/opencv.hpp>`

using namespace cv;

int main(int argc, char\* argv[]) {

OpenCVDemo Property Pages

Configuration: Active(Debug) Platform: Active(Win32)

Additional Dependencies

Ignore All Default Libraries

Ignore Specific Default Libraries

Module Definition File

Add Module to Assembly

Embed Managed Resource File

Force Symbol References

Delay Loaded DLLs

Assembly Link Resource

Additional Dependencies

Specifies additional items to add to the

Additional Dependencies

opencv\_imgproc246d.lib  
opencv\_highgui246d.lib  
llmimfd.lib  
libjasperd.lib  
libjpegd.lib  
libpngd.lib  
libtiffd.lib  
zlibd.lib  
comctl32.lib

Inherited values:

kernel32.lib  
user32.lib  
gdi32.lib  
winspool.lib  
comdlg32.lib  
advapi32.lib  
shell32.lib  
ole32.lib  
oleaut32.lib

☒ Inherit from parent or project defaults

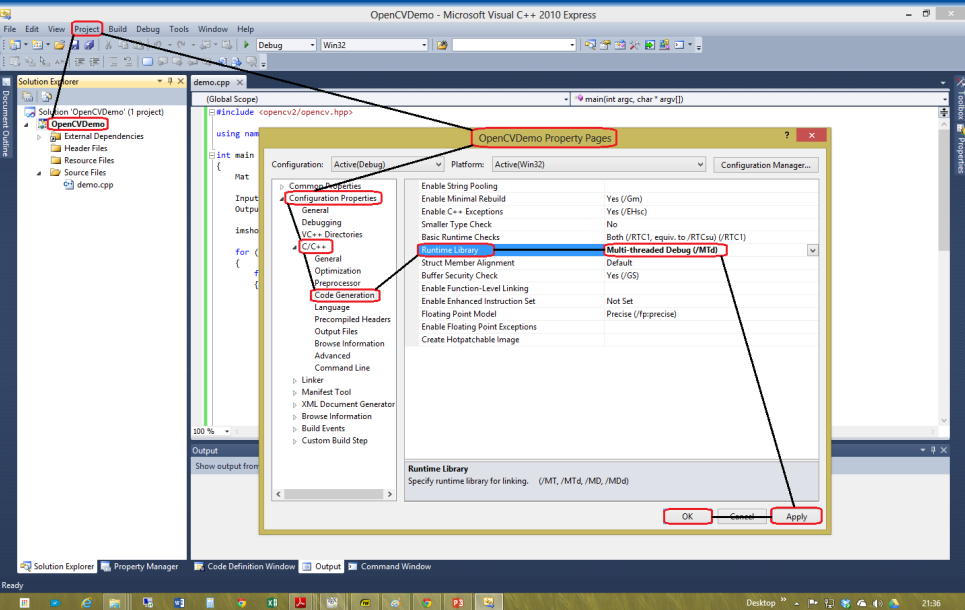
OK Cancel

# Selecting Static Runtime Library

- Open menu item Project → “Project Name” Properties
- Select Configuration Properties → C/C++ → Code Generation → Runtime Library
  - From the drop down menu select
  - Multi-threaded Debug (/MTd)







# OpenCVDemo

## Hands-on Demonstration Project



# OpenCVDemo Project

- OpenCVDemo project demonstrates the basics of using OpenCV library to
  - Load a sample image from a file
  - Perform pixel by pixel image inversion
  - Display both input and output frame using the GUI
  - Save the output results to different files



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# Thank You... and Happy Coding

