

# LVGL UI Generator

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This forked project has been archived in favor of the newer and much [simpler generator based on lv micropython](#).

# Simulator project for LVGL embedded GUI Library

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The [LVGL](#) is written mainly for microcontrollers and embedded systems however you can run the library **on your PC** as well without any embedded hardware. The code written on PC can be simply copied when you are using an embedded system.

Using a PC simulator instead of an embedded hardware has several advantages:

- **Costs \$0** because you don't have to buy or design PCB
- **Fast** because you don't have to design and manufacture PCB
- **Collaborative** because any number of developers can work in the same environment
- **Developer friendly** because much easier and faster to debug on PC

## Requirements

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This project is configured for [VSCode](#) and only tested on Linux, although this may work on OSX or WSL. It requires a working version of GCC, GDB and make in your path.

To allow debugging inside VSCode you will also require a GDB [extension](#) or other suitable debugger. All the requirements have been pre-configured in the [.workspace](#) file (simply open the project by doubleclick on this file).

The project can use **SDL** or **X11** as LVGL display driver for lowlevel graphics/mouse/keyboard support. This can be defined in the [Makefile](#).

Please make sure the selected library is installed in the system (check [Install graphics driver](#)).

## Usage

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### Get the PC project

Clone the PC project and the related sub modules:

```
1 | git clone --recursive https://github.com/lvgl/lv_port_pc_vscode
```

### Install graphics driver

The project can use **SDL** or **X11** as LVGL display driver. This can be selected in the [Makefile](#). Please make sure the used library is installed in the system:

#### Install SDL

You can download SDL from <https://www.libsdl.org/>

On Linux you can install it via terminal:

```
1 | sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install -y build-essential libsdl2-dev
```

## Install X11

On Linux you can install it via terminal:

```
1 | sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install -y libx11-dev
```

## Optional library

There are also FreeType and FFmpeg support. You can install FreeType support with:

```
1 | # FreeType support
2 | wget
   | https://kumisystems.dl.sourceforge.net/project/freetype/freetype2/2.13.2/freetype-2.13.2.tar.xz
3 | tar -xf freetype-2.13.2.tar.xz
4 | cd freetype-2.13.2
5 | make
6 | make install
```

The FFmpeg support can be installed with:

```
1 | # FFmpeg support
2 | git clone https://git.ffmpeg.org/ffmpeg.git ffmpeg
3 | cd ffmpeg
4 | git checkout release/6.0
5 | ./configure --disable-all --disable-autodetect --disable-podpages --disable-asm --enable-avcodec --enable-avformat --enable-decoders --enable-encoders --enable-demuxers --enable-parsers --enable-protocol='file' --enable-swscale --enable-zlib
6 | make
7 | sudo make install
```

And then remove all the comments in the `Makefile` on `INC` and `LDLIBS` lines. \

They should be for **SDL**:

```
1 | INC := -I./ui/simulator/inc/ -I./ -I./lvgl/ -I/usr/include/freetype2 -L/usr/local/lib
2 | LDLIBS := -lSDL2 -lm -lfreetype -lavformat -lavcodec -lavutil -lswscale -lm -lz -lpthread
```

They should be for **X11**:

```
1 | INC := -I./ui/simulator/inc/ -I./ -I./lvgl/ -I/usr/include/freetype2 -L/usr/local/lib
2 | LDLIBS := -lX11 -lm -lfreetype -lavformat -lavcodec -lavutil -lswscale -lm -lz -lpthread
```

## Setup

To allow custom UI code an `lv_conf.h` file placed at `ui/simulator/inc` will automatically override this projects `lv_conf.h` file. By default code under `ui` is ignored so you can reuse this repository for multiple projects. You will need to place a call from `main.c` to your UI's entry function.

To build and debug, press F5. You should now have your UI displayed in a new window and can access all the debug features of VSCode through GDB.

To allow temporary modification between simulator and device code, a `SIMULATOR=1` define is added globally.

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