Things to note in Microsoft visual studio

Project file formate:

To make our project with good readablity and to maintable well organised way . we can create project with structured folders and all files related to project , we can keep in the project folder according to the file type and structure.

Folder types and their content type:

1) Source files folder (src) -

Contains ".cpp" files , that implement functionalities of the project

2) Header files folder (Include or headers or inc) -

• Contains ".h" or ".hpp" files that declare functions, classes, and global variables.

3) Intermediate files folder (build or out) -

- Contails ".o" or ".obj" files, compiled object files or intermediate files generated during the compilation process.
- Might include Makefiles as part of the build process.

4) Binary folder (bin) -

- Holds the final executabe.
- ".exe", the finale excutable file generated by linking all .obj files

5) External libraries folder (lib or ext) -

- Shared libraries ".so" (linux) or ".dll" (windows).
- static libraries ".a" or ".a" (linux) or ".lib" (windows).

6) Assets folder (assests) -

• Contains resoursces like images, icon, or other files requirred for the project.

7) Test folder (tests) -

- Contains unit tests and related testing files.
- Test scripts written in ".cpp" or other languages , scripts/program to test our project with test cases.
- Result logs stored in ".log" or ".txt"

8) Documentation folder (docs) -

• Contains documentation like README files or technical guides in formats such as ".md" or ".txt".

9) Configuration folder (config or configs) -

• Contains configuration files like ".json", ".xml", ".yaml" or ".int", to project setup, such as settings for libraries, compiler flags, or environment variables.

eg:

- src -> main.cpp , add.cpp
- inc -> add.h
- lib -> libadd.so
- build -> *.o
- bin -> "main.exe" or "app.exe" or "app"
- tests -> test_add.cpp (test cases checking script for the add function
- docs -> README.md (project documentation)

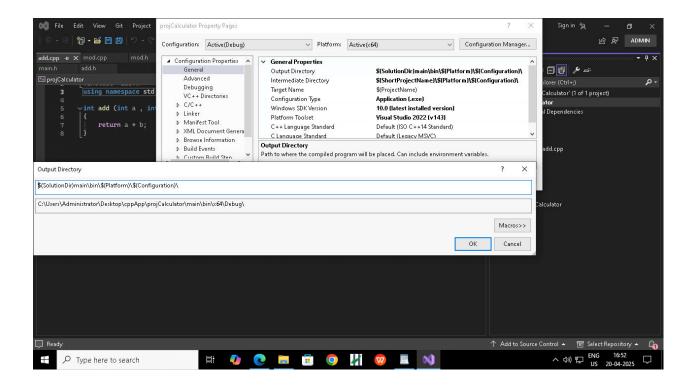
Makefile -> automates the building .

Bin path:

To change the bin path,

Project_properties > Configuration_properties > General > Output_directory > click_on_it > click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give _the_required_path > Click_ok.

Stting path in IDE to store tht generated ".exe" in our target bin folder .

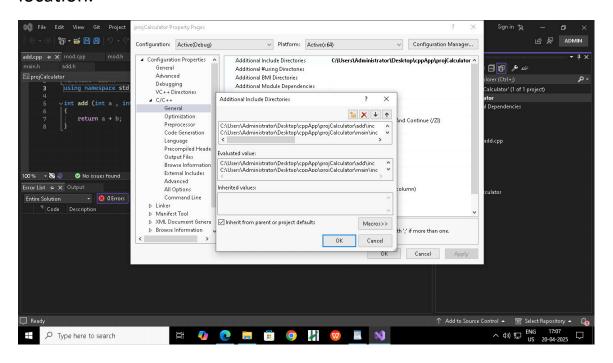


Inc path

To add include paths (header file).

Project_properties > C/C++ > General > Additional_include_directories > click_on_it > click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give _the_required_path > Click_ok.

In preprocessing stage the IDE should know the path of the header file, so we should give the path of headers which we create in our defined location.

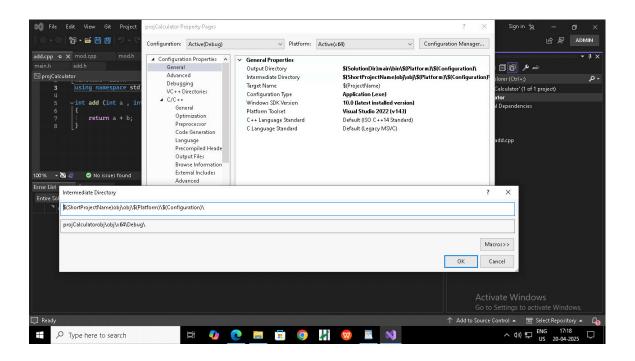


Obj path:

To store the intermediate file in our required location, we can

change the path location.

Project_properties > Configuration_properties > General > Intermediate_directory > click_on_it > click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give _the_required_path > Click_ok.

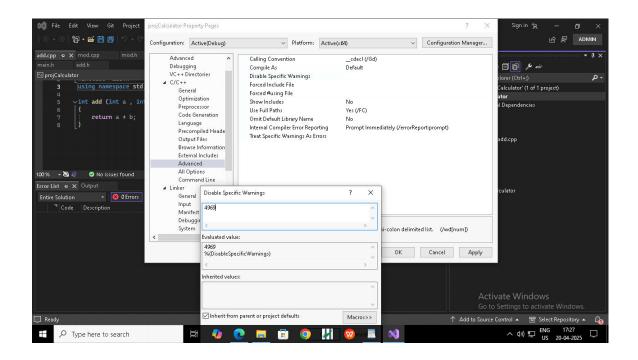


Warning compromise:

To compromise the list of warngings.

method1 (using warning code):

Project_properties > C/C++ > Advanced > Disable_specific_warnings > click_on_it > click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give the warning code > Click ok.



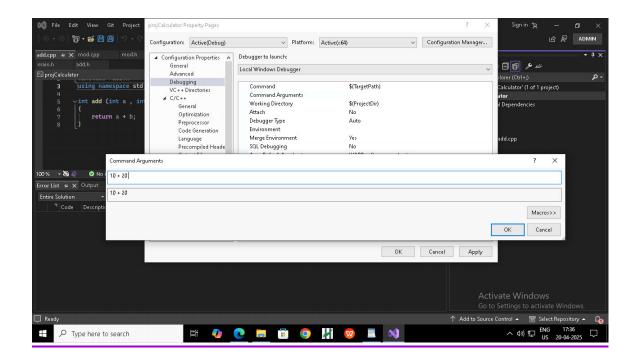
method2 (by using macro of that warning):

Project_properties > C/C++ > Preprocessor >
Preprocessor_definitions > click_on_it >
click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give _the_warning_code
> Click_ok.

Command line Arguments

To give command line arguments to the program , we give the command line arguments in that location , then IDE will feed that CLAs when the program is starting to excute .

Project_properties > Configuration_properties > Debugging > Command_arguments > click_on_it > click_on_Down_arrrow_symbol_on_it > edit > Give _the_warning_code > Click_ok.



Exclude from compilation :

To exclude a file from compilation,

Select_the_file > Right_click > properties > Configuration_properties > General > Exclude from build .

