

Running OpenGL/GLUT with Visual Studio 2010

1. Download Glut library

Glut Download Link: <http://www.opengl.org/resources/libraries/glut/glutdlls37beta.zip>

There are totally five files, which includes one header file (glut.h), two link library files (glut.lib, glut32.lib) and two dynamic link library files (glut.dll, glut32.dll).

glut.h ----> C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft SDKs\Windows\v7.0A\Include\gl

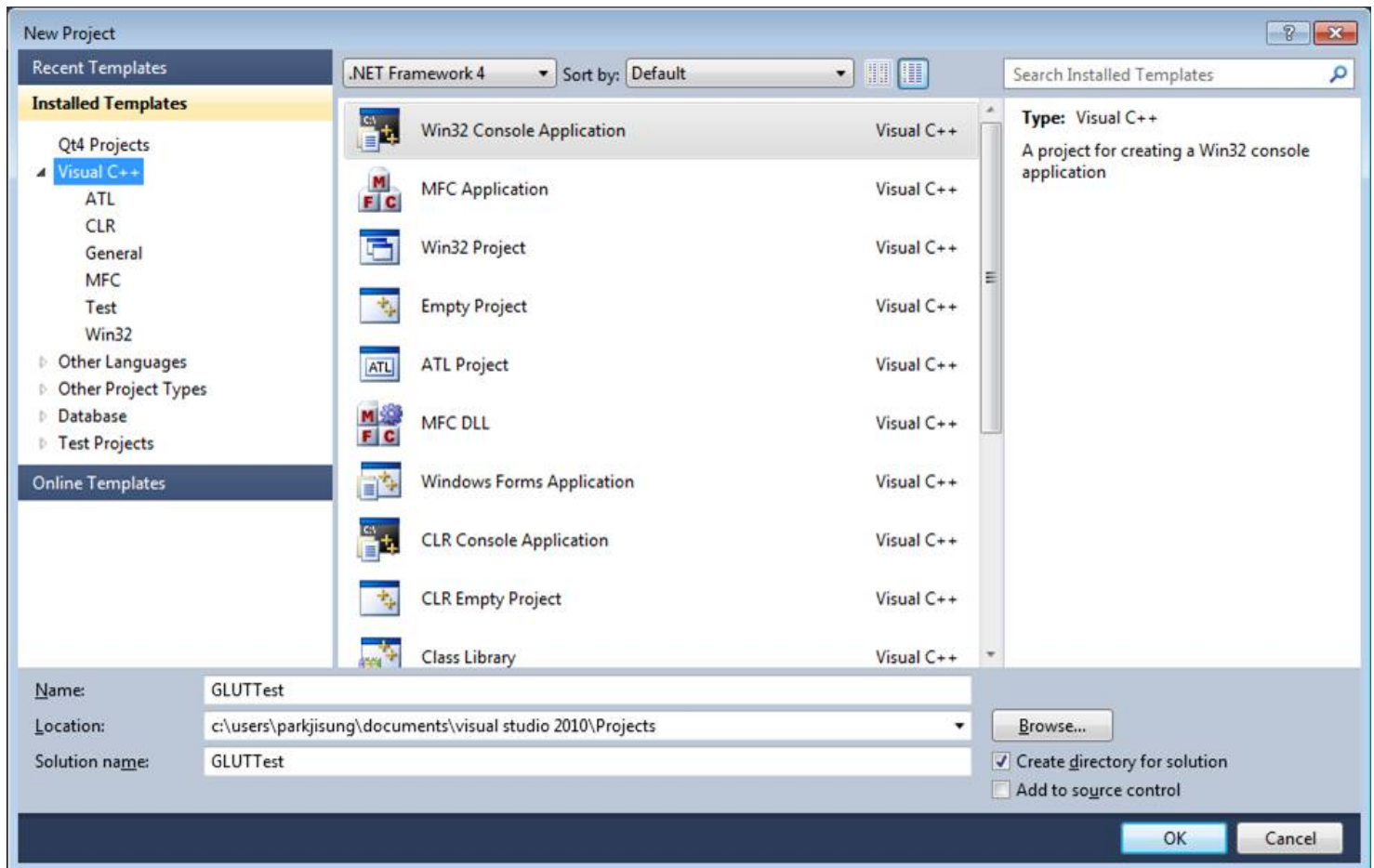
glut.dll, glut32.dll ----> C:\Windows\SysWOW64 (windows7 64 bit)

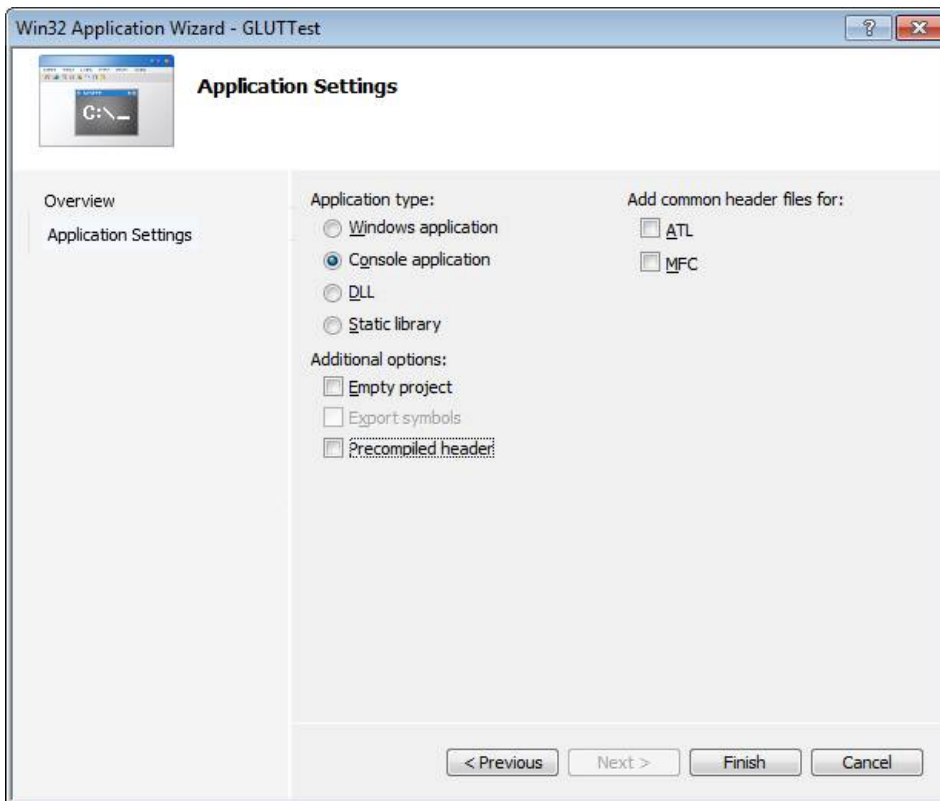
----> C:\Windows\System32 (windows7 32 bit)

glut.lib, glut32.lib ----> X:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Visual Studio 10.0\VC\lib (X is VS2010 install disk)

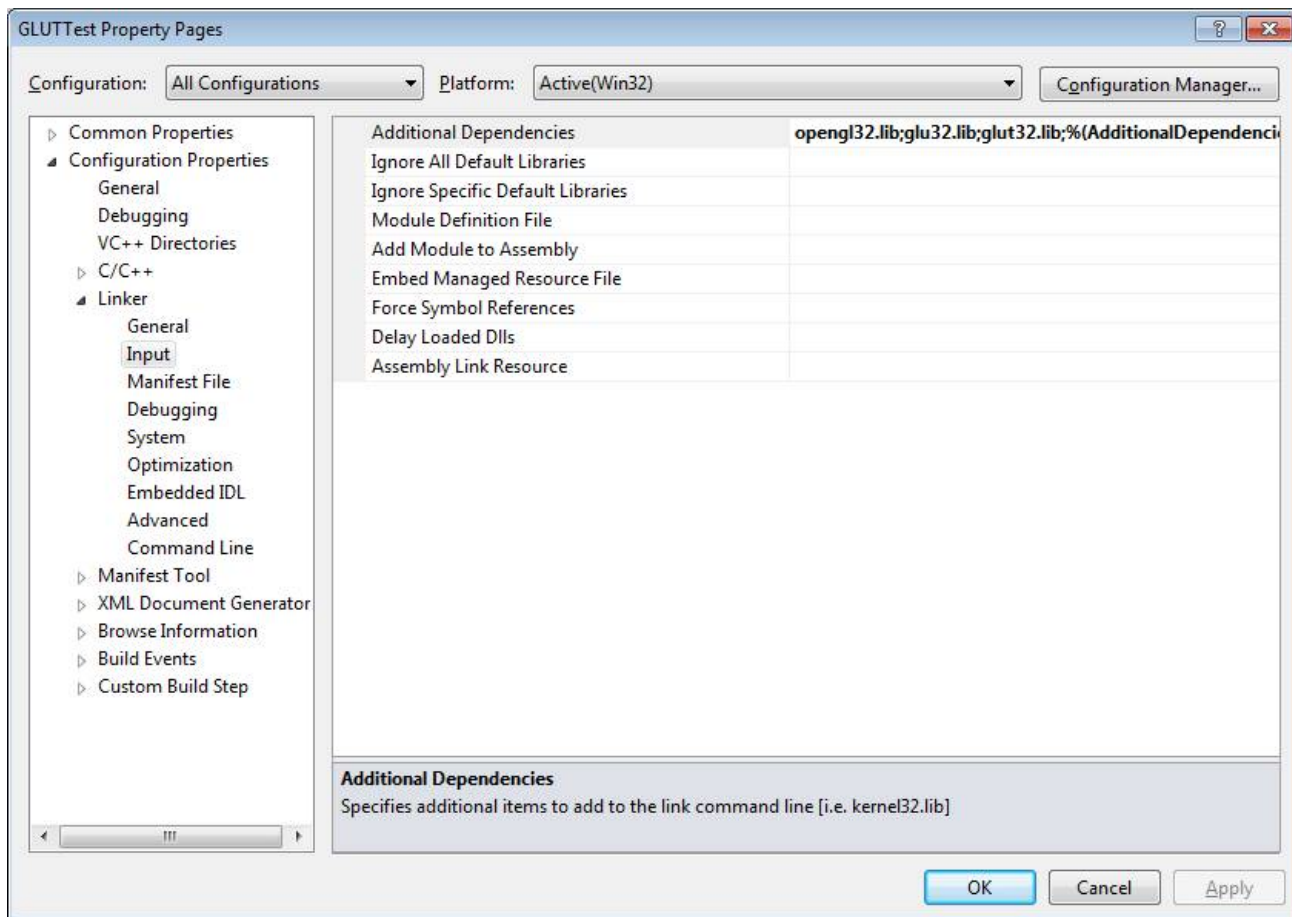
2. Create a Win32 Console Application and Configure OpenGL

When creating an OpenGL/GLUT application, no OS code is required since everything is, conveniently enough, handled by the GLUT libraries. When using VS 2010, the best way to start is a bare-bones Win32 Console Application.



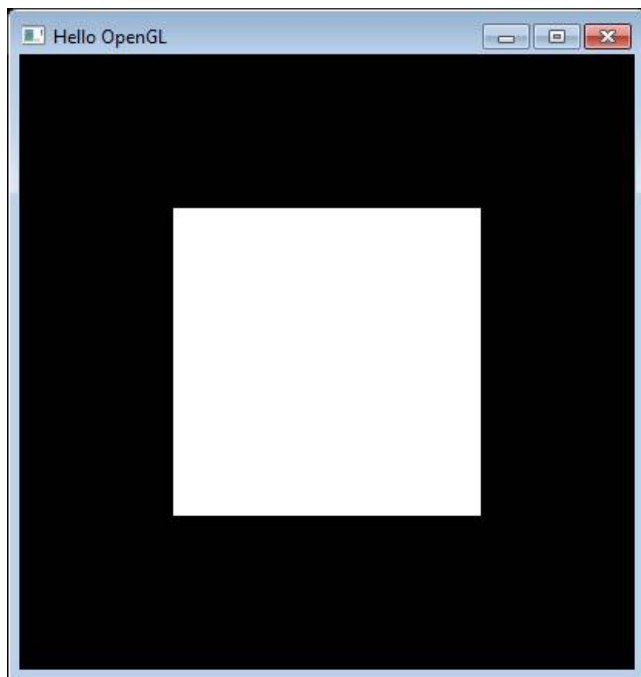


After creating a blank project, attach the necessary libraries in "Project->GLUTTest Properties". Go to "Configuration Properties->Linker->Input->Additional Dependencies", and add "opengl32.lib;glu32.lib;glut32.lib"



3. OpenGL Testing

Copy the sample code into GLUTTest.cpp, and Run. You should see the following result.



Sample Code:

```
#include <gl\glut.h>

void myDisplay(void)
{
    glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
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    glRectf(-0.5f, -0.5f, 0.5f, 0.5f);  
    glFlush();  
}  
  
int main(int argc, char *argv[])  
{  
    glutInit(&argc, argv);  
    glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_RGB | GLUT_SINGLE);  
    glutInitWindowPosition(100, 100);  
    glutInitWindowSize(400, 400);  
    glutCreateWindow("Hello OpenGL");  
    glutDisplayFunc(&myDisplay);  
    glutMainLoop();  
    return 0;  
}
```

4. Other useful link

Instructions about setting up OpenGL in Windows, Mac and Linux: http://cacs.usc.edu/education/cs596/OGL_Setup.pdf