

Compilation

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Options

here are the `CMake` option values available to adjust compilation (along with default values) The list is not updated regularly, so check the `CMakeLists.txt` files for option and `cmake_dependent_option` values

- `WITH_DEBUG_URBDRC` Dump data send/received in URBDRC channel `OFF`
- `BUILD_SHARED_LIBS` Build shared libraries `ON`
- `EXPORT_ALL_SYMBOLS` Export all symbols form library `OFF`
- `BUILD_TESTING` Build library unit tests `ON`
- `WITH_LIBRARY_VERSIONING` Use library version triplet `ON`
- `WITH_SHADOW` Compile with shadow server `ON`
- `WITH_PROXY` Compile with proxy server `ON`
- `WITH_PLATFORM_SERVER` Compile with platform server `ON`

- `WITH_PROXY_EMULATE_SMARTCARD` Compile proxy smartcard emulation `OFF`
- `WITH_PROXY_APP` Compile proxy application `ON`
- `WITH_PROXY_MODULES` Compile proxy modules `ON`
- `WITH_SMARTCARD_PCSC` Enable smartcard PCSC backend `ON`
- `WITH_OPENSCL_PKCS11_LINKED` Directly link opensc-pkcs11 `OFF`
- `WITH_DEBUG_SCHANNEL` Compile support for SCHANNEL debug `OFF`
- `WITH_KRB5` Compile support for kerberos authentication. `${KRB5_DEFAULT}`
- `WITH_KRB5_NO_NTLM_FALLBACK` Do not fall back to NTLM if no kerberos ticket available `OFF` `WITH_KRB5 OFF`
- `USE_UNWIND` Use unwind.h to generate backtraces `ON`
- `WITH_LODEPNG` build WinPR with PNG support `OFF`
- `WITH_LIBRARY_VERSIONING` Use library version triplet `ON`
- `BUILD_SHARED_LIBS` Build shared libraries `ON`
- `EXPORT_ALL_SYMBOLS` Export all symbols form library `OFF`
- `WITH_VERBOSE_WINPR_ASSERT` Compile with verbose WINPR_ASSERT. `ON`
- `WITH_WINPR_TOOLS` Build WinPR helper binaries `ON`
- `WITH_WINPR_DEPRECATED` Build WinPR deprecated symbols `OFF`
- `WITH_DEBUG_THREADS` Print thread debug messages, enables handle dump `${DEFAULT_DEBUG_OPTION}`
- `WITH_DEBUG_EVENTS` Print event debug messages, enables handle dump `${DEFAULT_DEBUG_OPTION}`
- `WITH_DEBUG_SYMBOLS` Pack debug symbols to installer `OFF`
- `WITH_NATIVE_SSPI` Use native SSPI modules `${NATIVE_SSPI}`
- `WITH_SMARTCARD_INSPECT` Enable SmartCard API Inspector `OFF`
- `WITH_DEBUG_MUTEX` Print mutex debug messages `${DEFAULT_DEBUG_OPTION}`
- `WITH_INTERNAL_RC4` Use compiled in rc4 functions instead of OpenSSL/MBedTLS `OFF`
- `WITH_INTERNAL_MD4` Use compiled in md4 hash functions instead of OpenSSL/MBedTLS `OFF`
- `WITH_INTERNAL_MD5` Use compiled in md5 hash functions instead of OpenSSL/MBedTLS `OFF`
- `WITH_UNICODE_BUILTIN` Use built-in Unicode conversion (don't use system-provided libraries `OFF`
- `SSPI_DLL` Define and export SSPI API symbols for usage as a Windows SSPI DLL replacement `OFF`
- `WITH_DEBUG_NTLM` Print NTLM debug messages `${DEFAULT_DEBUG_OPTION}`
- `WITH_DEBUG_NLA` Print authentication related debug messages. `${DEFAULT_DEBUG_OPTION}`
- `WITH_POLL` Check for and include poll.h `ON`

- `WITH_PKCS11` encryption, certificate validation, hashing functions `${PKCS11_DEFAULT}`
- `BUILD_SHARED_LIBS` Build shared libraries `ON`
- `EXPORT_ALL_SYMBOLS` Export all symbols form library `OFF`
- `BUILD_TESTING` Build library unit tests `ON`
- `WITH_LIBRARY_VERSIONING` Use library version triplet `ON`
- `UWAC_HAVE_PIXMAN_REGION` Use PIXMAN or FreeRDP for region calculations `NOT FREERDP_UNIFIED_BUILD`
- `BUILD_TESTING` Build automated tests. `ON`
- `WITH_WEBVIEW` Build with WebView support for AAD login popup browser `OFF`
- `WITH_WEBVIEW_QT` Build with QtWebEngine support for AAD login browser popup `OFF`
- `CMAKE_COLOR_MAKEFILE` colorful CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_VERBOSE_MAKEFILE` verbose CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_POSITION_INDEPENDENT_CODE` build with position independent code (`-fPIC` or `-fPIE` `ON`)
- `WITH_DEBUG_SDL_EVENTS` [dangerous, not for release builds!] Debug SDL events `OFF`
- `WITH_DEBUG_SDL_KBD_EVENTS` [dangerous, not for release builds!] Debug SDL keyboard events `OFF`
- `WITH_WIN_CONSOLE` Build `${PROJECT_NAME}` with console support `ON`
- `WITH_WINDOWS_CERT_STORE` Build `${MODULE_NAME}` with additional certificate validation against windows certificate store `ON`
- `WITH_WIN_CONSOLE` Build `${MODULE_NAME}` with console support `OFF`
- `WITH_PROGRESS_BAR` Build `${MODULE_NAME}` with connect progress bar (Windows 7+ or 2008 R2+ `ON`)
- `CMAKE_COLOR_MAKEFILE` colorful CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_VERBOSE_MAKEFILE` verbose CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_POSITION_INDEPENDENT_CODE` build with position independent code (`-fPIC` or `-fPIE` `ON`)
- `CMAKE_COLOR_MAKEFILE` colorful CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_VERBOSE_MAKEFILE` verbose CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_POSITION_INDEPENDENT_CODE` build with position independent code (`-fPIC` or `-fPIE` `ON`)
- `WITH_XINERAMA` [X11] enable xinerama `ON`
- `WITH_XEXT` [X11] enable Xext `ON`
- `WITH_XCURSOR` [X11] enalbe Xcursor `ON`
- `WITH_XV` [X11] enable Xv `ON`
- `WITH_XI` [X11] enalbe Xi `ON`
- `WITH_XRENDER` [X11] enable XRender `ON`
- `WITH_XRANDR` [X11] enable XRandR `ON`

- `WITH_XFIXES` [X11] enable Xfixes `ON`
- `WITH_CLIENT_INTERFACE` Build clients as a library with an interface `OFF`
- `WITH_CLIENT_MAC` Build native mac client `ON`
- `WITH_FUSE` Build clipboard with FUSE file copy support `${OPT_FUSE_DEFAULT}`
- `CMAKE_COLOR_MAKEFILE` colorful CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_VERBOSE_MAKEFILE` verbose CMake makefile `ON`
- `CMAKE_POSITION_INDEPENDENT_CODE` build with position independent code (`-fPIC` or `-fPIE`) `ON`
- `WITH_X11` build X11 client/server `${OPT_DEFAULT_VAL}`
- `CMAKE_INTERPROCEDURAL_OPTIMIZATION` Enable LTO linking `TRUE`
- `WITH_SMARTCARD_EMULATE` Emulate smartcards instead of redirecting readers `OFF`
- `WITH_FREERDP_DEPRECATED` Build FreeRDP deprecated symbols `OFF`
- `WITH_FREERDP_DEPRECATED_COMMANDLINE` Build FreeRDP deprecated command line options `OFF`
- `BUILD_SHARED_LIBS` Build shared libraries `${LIB_DEFAULT}`
- `EXPORT_ALL_SYMBOLS` Export all symbols form library `OFF`
- `WITH_AAD` Compile with support for Azure AD authentication `ON`
- `WITH_OPENH264_LOADING` Use LoadLibrary to load openh264 at runtime `OFF`
- `WITH_VERBOSE_WINPR_ASSERT` Compile with verbose WINPR_ASSERT. `ON`
- `WITH_RDTK` build rdtk toolkit `ON`

Dependencies

Server and Client applications

- OpenSSL or MbedTLS for encryption/decryption

Client

- `uriparser` for parsing clipboard urls (optional, linux only)
- `libusb` for raw USB redirection
- Sound (microphone and playback) requires a encoder/decoder for various formats. That can be:
 - `FFMPEG` does all encoding/decoding
 - Use `gsm`, `faad2`, `faac` for GSM and AAC support
 - Use `soxr` for sound resampling

- Video decoders (For GFX H264 and /video redirection support):
 - H264 can be supported though
 - OpenH264 (working only with 1.8.0 until <https://github.com/cisco/openh264/issues/3476> is resolved)
 - FFmpeg
- Image scalers (for smart-sizing and some HighDPI features of RDP)
 - swscale
 - cairo
- Old (Windows 7) style media redirection (deactivated by default) also requires:
 - GStreamer (0.1 or 1.0)
- Platform/feature dependent options:
 - Android MediaCodec (h264)
 - Windows MediaFramework (h264)
 - ALSA (sound)
 - PULSE (sound)
 - OSS (sound)
 - CUPS (printing)
 - FUSE (file clipboard)
 - ICU (unicode)
 - OPENSLES (sound)
 - PCSC (smartcard)
 - cJSON (AVD/AAD auth)
 - libsd12-ttf, libsd12-image and libsd12 (SDL client)

Legacy issues (rc4, md4, md5)

RDP uses a couple of legacy algorithms deep within the protocol which might lead to problems at runtime. Ensure, that

1. rc4, md4 and md5 are supported by your SSL library
- Also ensure you have the correct runtime configuration that allows these hashes
1. Compile in rc4, md4 or md5 with WITH_INTERNAL_RC4, WITH_INTERNAL_MD4 or WITH_INTERNAL_MD5

Compilation

First, you'll need to get the dependencies and sources. Follow the next instructions step by step (unless the dependency is already installed on your system)

Common instructions

See [options](#) list of compilation options for FreeRDP .

Build OpenSSL

1. to build the library static add `no-shared` to the `Configure` options
2. basic steps are similar on all OS, but the detailed `./Configure` options might vary, check https://wiki.openssl.org/index.php/Compilation_and_Installation for further details

```
git clone -b openssl-3.1.1 https://github.com/openssl/openssl.git
cd openssl
./Configure mingw64 --cross-compile-prefix=x86_64-w64-mingw32- --prefix=<your install path> --libdir=<lib|lib64>
make -j build_sw
make -j install_sw
```



LibreSSL

As an alternative to OpenSSL LibreSSL can be used. Add `-DWITH_LIBRESSL=ON` to your FreeRDP build to force detection of LibreSSL

Build static or shared lib, set `-DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON|OFF` accordingly

```
git clone -b v3.8.2 https://github.com/libressl/portable.git libressl
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B libressl-build \
  -S libressl \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
  -DLIBRESSL_APPS=OFF \
  -DLIBRESSL_TESTS=OFF
cmake --build libressl-build
cmake --install libressl-build
```



Build zlib

Build static and shared lib

```
git clone --depth 1 -b v1.3 https://github.com/madler/zlib.git
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B zlib-build \
  -S zlib \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
  -DLIBRESSL_APPS=OFF \
  -DLIBRESSL_TESTS=OFF
cmake --build zlib-build
cmake --install zlib-build
```



Build uriparser

Build static or shared lib, set -DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON|OFF accordingly

```
git clone --depth 1 -b uriparser-0.9.7 https://github.com/uriparser/uriparser.git
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B uriparser-build \
  -S uriparser \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
  -DURIPARSER_BUILD_DOCS=OFF \
  -DURIPARSER_BUILD_TESTS=OFF
cmake --build uriparser-build
cmake --install uriparser-build
```



Build cJSON

Build static and shared libs in one go

```
git clone --depth 1 -b v1.7.16 https://github.com/DaveGamble/cJSON.git
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B cJSON-build \
  -S cJSON \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
```



```
-DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \  
-DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \  
-DENABLE_CJSON_TEST=OFF \  
-DBUILD_SHARED_AND_STATIC_LIBS=ON  
cmake --build cJSON-build  
cmake --install cJSON-build
```

Build SDL2

Build static and shared libs in one go

```
git clone --depth 1 -b release-2.28.1 https://github.com/libsdl-org/SDL.git  
cmake -GNinja \  
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \  
  -B SDL-build \  
  -S SDL \  
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \  
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \  
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \  
  -DSDL_TEST=OFF \  
  -DSDL_TESTS=OFF \  
  -DSDL_STATIC_PIC=ON  
cmake --build SDL-build  
cmake --install SDL-build
```



Build SDL2_ttf

Build static or shared lib, set `-DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON|OFF` accordingly

```
git clone --depth 1 --shallow-submodules --recurse-submodules -b release-2.20.2  
https://github.com/libsdl-org/SDL_ttf.git  
cmake -GNinja \  
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \  
  -B SDL_ttf-build \  
  -S SDL_ttf \  
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \  
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \  
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \  
  -DSDL2TTF_HARFBUZZ=ON \  
  -DSDL2TTF_FREETYPE=ON \  
  -DSDL2TTF_VENDORED=ON \  
  -DFT_DISABLE_ZLIB=OFF \  
  -DSDL2TTF_SAMPLES=OFF
```




```
cmake --build SDL_ttf-build
cmake --install SDL_ttf-build
```

Build SDL2_image

Build static or shared lib, set `-DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON|OFF` accordingly

```
git clone --depth 1 --shallow-submodules --recurse-submodules -b release-2.8.1
https://github.com/libsdl-org/SDL_image.git
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B SDL_image-build \
  -S SDL_image \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
  -DSDL2IMAGE_SAMPLES=OFF \
  -DSDL2IMAGE_DEPS_SHARED=OFF
cmake --build SDL_image-build
cmake --install SDL_image-build
```



libusb (optional)

Build static or shared lib, set `-DLIBUSB_BUILD_SHARED_LIBS=ON|OFF` accordingly NOTE: we're using a 3rd party repo here to build with `cmake` as that is easier to handle for cross compilation

```
git clone --depth 1 --shallow-submodules --recurse-submodules -b v1.0.26
https://github.com/libusb/libusb-cmake.git
cmake -GNinja \
  -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
  -B libusb-cmake-build \
  -S libusb-cmake \
  -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
  -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
  -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
  -DLIBUSB_BUILD_EXAMPLES=OFF \
  -DLIBUSB_BUILD_TESTING=OFF \
  -DLIBUSB_ENABLE_DEBUG_LOGGING=OFF
cmake --build libusb-cmake-build
cmake --install libusb-cmake-build
```



FFMPEG (optional)

see <https://trac.ffmpeg.org/wiki/CompilationGuide/CrossCompilingForWindows> for instructions

```
git clone --depth 1 -b n6.0 https://github.com/FFmpeg/FFmpeg.git
```



```
mkdir ffmpeg-build
cd ffmpeg-build
../FFmpeg/configure --arch=x86_64 --target-os=mingw64 --cross-prefix=x86_64-w64-mingw32- -
-prefix=<your install dir>
make -j
make -j install
```

openh264 (optional)

Build static and shared libs in one go

<https://mesonbuild.com/Cross-compilation.html>

meson toolchain file

```
[binaries]
c = 'x86_64-w64-mingw32-gcc'
cpp = 'x86_64-w64-mingw32-g++'
ar = 'x86_64-w64-mingw32-ar'
strip = 'x86_64-w64-mingw32-strip'
exe_wrapper = 'wine64'
```

```
[host_machine]
system = 'windows'
cpu_family = 'x86_64'
cpu = 'x86_64'
endian = 'little'
```

```
[properties]
sysroot = '/usr/x86_64-w64-mingw32'
```

```
git clone --depth 1 -b v2.3.1 https://github.com/cisco/openh264.git
```

```
meson setup \
  -Dprefix=<your install path> \
  -Db_pie=true \
  -Db_lto=true \
  -Dbuildtype=release \
  -Dpkgconfig.relocatable=true \
  -Dtests=disabled \
  -Ddefault_library=both \
```



```

   openh264-build \
    openh264
ninja -C openh264-build
ninja -C openh264-build install

```

Build FreeRDP

- Disable USB with `-DCHANNEL_URBDRM=OFF` ([libusb](#) required for ON)
- Enable OpenH264 with `-DWITH_OPENH264=ON`
- Enable FFMPEG with `-DWITH_FFMPEG=ON -DWITH_SWSCALE=ON -DWITH_DSP_FFMPEG=ON`
- Build static binaris/libraries with `-DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=OFF` unless further instructions are available for dependency
- Build fully static (including runtime) with `-DCMAKE_MSVC_RUNTIME_LIBRARY=MultiThreaded` (windows) `set(CMAKE_FIND_LIBRARY_SUFFIXES ".a")` (add to toolchain file, others)

NOTE: Check your c++ compiler/libs are up to date, the ones shipped with debian 12 might lack some features. In that case disable our C++ projecst with `-DWITH_CLIENT_SDL=OFF -DWITH_PROXY_MODULES=OFF`

```

git clone --depth 1 https://github.com/freerdp/freerdp.git
cmake -GNinja \
    -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<full path to toolchain.cmake> \
    -B freerdp-build \
    -S freerdp \
    -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release \
    -DCMAKE_SKIP_INSTALL_ALL_DEPENDENCY=ON \
    -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<your install path> \
    -DWITH_SERVER=ON \
    -DWITH_SAMPLE=ON \
    -DWITH_PLATFORM_SERVER=OFF \
    -DUSE_UNWIND=OFF \
    -DWITH_SWSCALE=OFF \
    -DWITH_FFMPEG=OFF \
    -DWITH_WEBVIEW=OFF
cmake --build freerdp-build
cmake --install freerdp-build

```



Linux Specifics

Build a Flatpak

Dependencies

- Install flatpak and configure "flathub.org": <https://flatpak.org/setup/>

Compilation

- Run `flatpak-builder --repo=repo <build dir> packaging/flatpak/com.freerdp.FreeRDP.json` from the checkout root
- For a easy to install package run `flatpak build-bundle repo com.freerdp.FreeRDP.flatpak com.freerdp.FreeRDP --runtime-repo=https://flathub.org/repo/flathub.flatpakrepo`

Installation

- `flatpak install com.freerdp.FreeRDP.flatpak` for bundle

Traditional packages (deb and rpm)

Nightly build for debian based systems

```
sudo apt build-dep freerdp-x11 Or sudo apt build-dep freerdp2-x11
```

```
ln -s packaging/deb/freerdp-nightly debian dpkg-buildpackage
```

Install the suggested base dependencies:

debian based

1. ensure you have enabled contrib non-free on debian in `/etc/apt/sources.list`
2. ensure you have enabled universe multiverse on ubuntu in `/etc/apt/sources.list`
3. the following installs all (even optional) libraries to build everything FreeRDP is capable of supporting:

```
sudo apt-get install \
    ninja-build \
    build-essential \
    git-core \
    debhelper \
    cdb \
    dpkg-dev \
    cmake \
    cmake-curses-gui \
    clang-format \
    ccache \
    openssl-c-headers \
    ocl-icd-ocl-dev \
```



```
libmp3lame-dev \  
libopus-dev \  
libsoxr-dev \  
libpam0g-dev \  
pkg-config \  
xmlto \  
libssl-dev \  
docbook-xsl \  
xsltproc \  
libxkbfile-dev \  
libx11-dev \  
libwayland-dev \  
libxrandr-dev \  
libxi-dev \  
libxrender-dev \  
libxext-dev \  
libxinerama-dev \  
libxfixes-dev \  
libxcursor-dev \  
libxv-dev \  
libxdamage-dev \  
libxtst-dev \  
libcups2-dev \  
libpcsclite-dev \  
libasound2-dev \  
libpulse-dev \  
libgsm1-dev \  
libusb-1.0-0-dev \  
uuid-dev \  
libxml2-dev \  
libfaad-dev \  
libfaac-dev \  
libsdl2-dev \  
libsdl2-ttf-dev \  
libcjson-dev \  
libpkcs11-helper-dev \  
liburiparser-dev \  
libkrb5-dev \  
libsystemd-dev \  
libfuse3-dev \  
libswscale-dev \  
libcairo2-dev \  
libavutil-dev \  
libavcodec-dev \  
libswresample-dev \  
libwebkit2gtk-4.0-dev \  
libpkcs11-helper1-dev
```

Fedora 39 and close relatives

1. ensure you have 3rdparty repositories enabled
2. the following installs all required dependencies (even optional ones) to build FreeRDP :

```
sudo dnf -y install \  
  ninja-build \  
  cups-devel \  
  systemd-devel \  
  libuuid-devel \  
  pulseaudio-libs-devel \  
  gcc-c++ libXrandr-devel \  
  gsm-devel \  
  gcc \  
  cmake \  
  ccache \  
  git-clang-format \  
  pam-devel \  
  fuse3-devel \  
  opus-devel \  
  lame-devel \  
  ocl-icd-devel \  
  docbook-style-xsl \  
  openssl-devel \  
  libX11-devel \  
  libXext-devel \  
  libXinerama-devel \  
  libXcursor-devel \  
  libXi-devel \  
  libXdamage-devel \  
  libXv-devel \  
  libxkbfile-devel \  
  alsa-lib-devel \  
 openh264-devel \  
  libavcodec-free-devel \  
  libavformat-free-devel \  
  libavutil-free-devel \  
  libswresample-free-devel \  
  libswscale-free-devel \  
  libusb1-devel \  
  uriparser-devel \  
  SDL2-devel \  
  SDL2_ttf-devel \  
  pkcs11-helper-devel \  
  webkit2gtk4.0-devel \  
  krb5-devel \  
  cJSON-devel \  
  cairo-devel \  

```



```
soxr-devel \  
wayland-devel \  
wayland-protocols-devel
```

compilation & installation

proceed with the build as described in [Build FreeRDP](#)

Android specifics

1. Builds have been tested on linux hosts, so your mileage on MacOS and Windows may vary (please add additional instructions here if you are using such a build host)
2. Android SDK and NDK need to be installed

To build first simply run:

```
./scripts/android-build-freerdp.sh \  
--ndk <path_to_ndk> \  
--sdk <path_to_sdk> \  
--openh264-ndk <path_to_ndk_15c> \  
--conf android-build-release.conf
```



the script can be found in the repo:

[android-build-freerdp.sh](#)

configuration file examples at [android-build.conf](#)

for the native dependency build and then open the project in AndroidStudio / run `./gradlew` just like with any other android project.

macOS Specifics

Using a package manager (xfreerdp)

If you're using MacPorts then just install FreeRDP port:

```
sudo port install FreeRDP
```

FreeRDP is now available as a homebrew recipe.

```
brew install freerdp
```

Use it like `xfreerdp ...`

Compiling from sources (native and SDL client)

1. create a toolchain file for your system:
 - i. `-DCMAKE_OSX_ARCHITECTURES="arm64;x86_64"` for a universal build (or just set the architecture if you only want one)
 - ii. `-DCMAKE_OSX_DEPLOYMENT_TARGET=14` to set `-mmacosx-version-min` to macOS 14 (or any other version you desire and is supported by your toolchain)
2. with that toolchain then proceed with the build as described in [common](#)

Ready to use build script

The following script downloads builds and installs FreeRDP on mac.

1. It installs everything to `install/` subdirectory of where the script is called from
2. It does not link external stuff from `brew` or `ports`
3. It is build without `FFMPEG`

[bundle-mac-os.sh](#)

Compiling for Visual Studio or Windows SDK

Prerequisites

- Visual Studio or Windows SDK
 - "meson":<https://mesonbuild.com/> (also contains 'ninja')
 - "cmake":<https://cmake.org/>
 - "nasm":<https://www.nasm.us>
 - "perl":<https://www.perl.org>
1. Start a visual studio command prompt (or windows sdk prompt) (`vcvars_all.bat`)
 - Ensure the correct environment is used (32 or 64 bit)
 2. Ensure `meson` , `cmake` , `ninja` , `nasm` , `perl` and `git` are in your `PATH`
 3. from that prompt then proceed with the build as described in [common](#)

Compiling for MINGW

1. Install dependencies and compilers for mingw

2. Create a toolchain file for `cmake` to pick up libraries/compilers

<https://cmake.org/cmake/help/book/mastering-cmake/chapter/Cross%20Compiling%20With%20CMake.html> (fedora has `mingw64-cmake` doing that for you)

```
3. cmake -GNinja -B<builddir> -S<sourcedir> -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=<toolchain.cmake> -
   DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<install prefix>
```

```
4. cmake --build <builddir> --target install
```

Fedora build

with Fedora it is quite easy to do, just

1. Install

```
sudo dnf install mingw64-zlib.noarch mingw64-winpthread.noarch mingw64-pixman.noarch
mingw64-openssl.noarch mingw64-libstdc++.x86_64 mingw64-libgcc.x86_64 mingw64-
jsoncpp.noarch mingw64-SDL2.noarch mingw64-SDL2_ttf.noarch mingw64-crt.noarch mingw64-
fontconfig.noarch mingw64-gsm.noarch mingw64-harfbuzz.noarch mingw64-gcc-c++.x86_64
mingw64-gcc.x86_64 mingw64-libgcc.x86_64
```



1. then proceed with the build as described in [common](#) (replace `cmake` configuration calls with `mingw64-cmake`)

Debian build

Toolchain file for debian (mingw64)

```
SET(CMAKE_SYSTEM_NAME Windows CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```



```
SET(CMAKE_SYSTEM_PROCESSOR amd64 CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_C_COMPILER /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-gcc CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-g++ CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_RC_COMPILER_INIT /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-windres CACHE STRING "toolchain
default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_RC_COMPILER /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-windres CACHE STRING "toolchain
default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_AR /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ar CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_C_COMPILER_AR /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ar CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER_AR /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ar CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_RANLIB /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ranlib CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_C_COMPILER_RANLIB /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ranlib CACHE STRING "toolchain
default")
```

```
SET(CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER_RANLIB /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ranlib CACHE STRING "toolchain
```

```
default")
SET(CMAKE_LINKER /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-ld CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
SET(CMAKE_NM /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-nm CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
SET(CMAKE_READElf /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-readelf CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
SET(CMAKE_OBJCOPY /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-objcopy CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
SET(CMAKE_OBJDUMP /usr/bin/x86_64-w64-mingw32-objdump CACHE STRING "toolchain default")

SET(CMAKE_SYSROOT /usr/x86_64-w64-mingw32 CACHE STRING "toolchain default")

set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_PROGRAM NEVER CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_LIBRARY ONLY CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_INCLUDE ONLY CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_PACKAGE ONLY CACHE STRING "toolchain default")
```

For CMake based projects you need to add the following to your command line (or add to the toolchain with the `set(VARIABLE_NAME <install prefix>)` syntax) to control installation and library search locations:

```
-DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=<install path> \
-DCMAKE_PREFIX_PATHS=<install path> \
-DCMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH=<install path>
```



then proceed with the build as described in [common](#)

<https://github.com/FreeRDP/FreeRDP/wiki.git>

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