

# Build & Run nesting2

## Prerequisites

You need to have:

- a Windows system
- Git installed (see how here: <https://git-scm.com/download/win>)
- Cmake installed (see how here: <https://cmake.org/download/>)
- 7zip installed (<https://www.7-zip.org/>)

## What you'll do

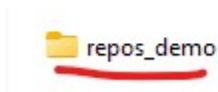
You will download and build the following dependencies:

- boost (<https://www.boost.org>)
- CGAL (<https://www.cgal.org/>)
- freeglut (<https://freeglut.sourceforge.net/>)
- glew (<https://glew.sourceforge.net/>)
- glui (<https://github.com/libglui/glui>)
- opencv (<https://opencv.org/>)

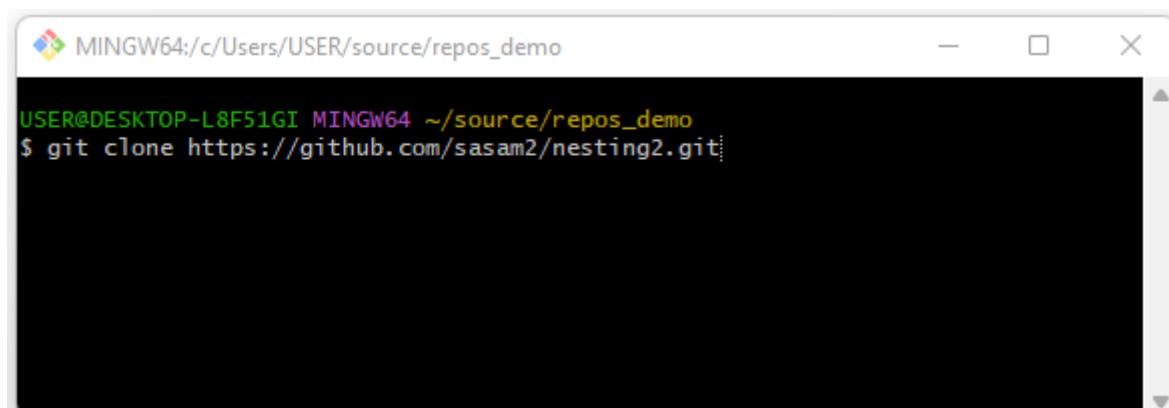
After that you'll update the dependencies references on the Visual Studio project of nesting2 and you will build and run the project..

## Setting up

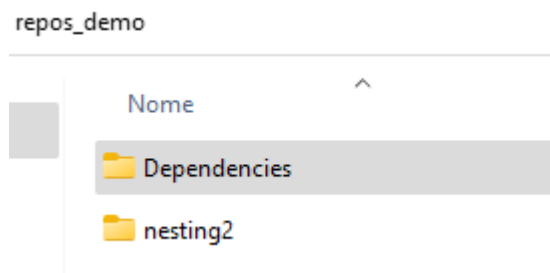
1.Create or select a parent folder where to clone your repo into. Mine is "repos\_demo":



2. Clone the nesting2 project into your parent folder:

A screenshot of a terminal window with a black background and white text. The title bar of the window reads 'MINGW64:/c/Users/USER/source/repos\_demo'. The terminal shows the prompt 'USER@DESKTOP-L8F51GI MINGW64 ~/source/repos\_demo' followed by the command '\$ git clone https://github.com/sasam2/nesting2.git'. The command is partially visible, with the rest of the URL truncated by the terminal's width.

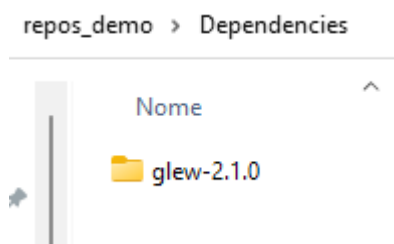
3. Create a folder called “Dependencies” into your parent folder (repos\_demo, in this example).



## Getting and building the dependencies

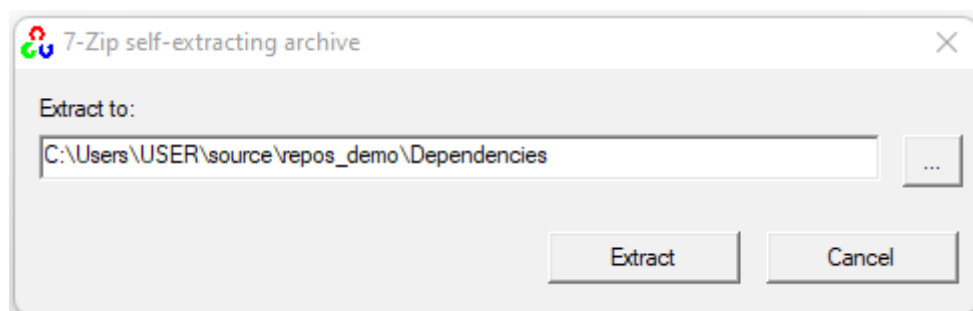
### 1. Get Glew

Go to <https://glew.sourceforge.net/> and download the Windows binaries as a zip. Then extract the zip. The contents of the zip consist of a folder called “glew-2.1.0” (as of now, the version numbers can change). Copy that folder into the Dependencies folder.



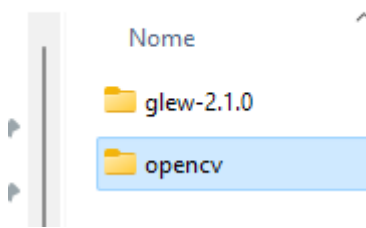
### 2. Get OpenCV

Go to <https://opencv.org/releases/> and download the desired version (4.8.0 as of now) for windows. Once downloaded run the executable. You will be prompted with the destination folder you want to extract the contents to – choose the Dependencies folder.



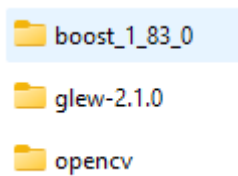
In the end you should also have a folder called “opencv” in your Dependencies folder.

repos\_demo > Dependencies



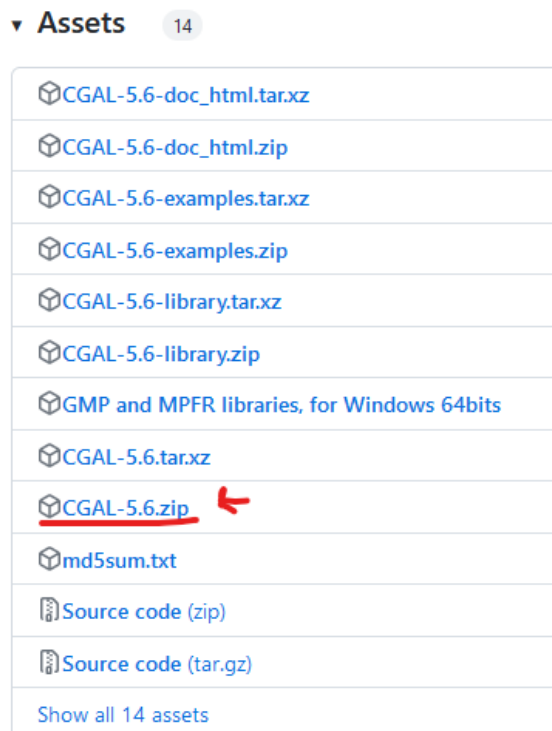
### 3. Get Boost

Go to <https://www.boost.org/users/download/> and download the desired version (1.83.0 as of now) for windows. Then extract the zip. The contents of the zip consist of a folder called "boost\_1\_83\_0". Copy that folder into the Dependencies folder.

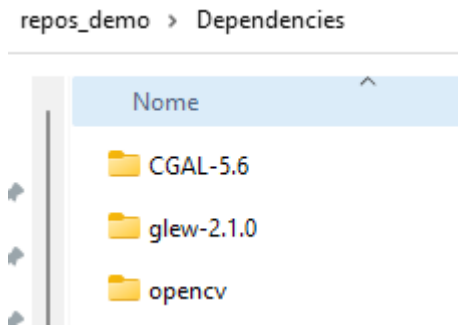


### 4. Get CGAL

Go to <https://github.com/CGAL/cgal/releases> and pick the desired one (5.6 as of now) and download the zip file:



Then extract the zip. The contents of the zip consist of a folder called “CGAL-5.6”. Copy that folder into the Dependencies folder.

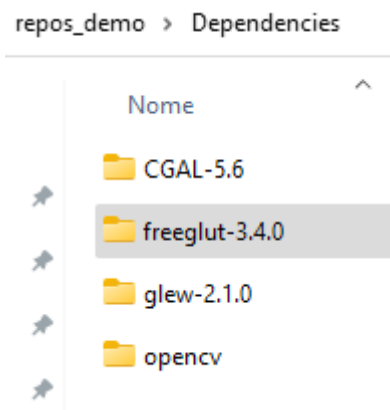


(Note: there is also the option of installing this dependency using **vcpkg**, but I’ve never tried it so I can’t recommend it).

## 5. Get and build Freeglut

Go to <https://freeglut.sourceforge.net/> and download the desired version (3.4.0 as of now).

Unpack the .tar.gz file. The contents of this package consist of a folder called “freeglut-3.4.0”. Copy that folder into the Dependencies folder.



At this point we have the sources of freeglut. Now we will use CMake to generate a Visual Studio solution that allows us to build the binaries.

Launch CMake.

Fill in the field “Where is the source code” with:

**C:/<your-path-here>/repos\_demo/Dependencies/freeglut-3.4.0**

Fill in the field “Where to build the binaries” with:

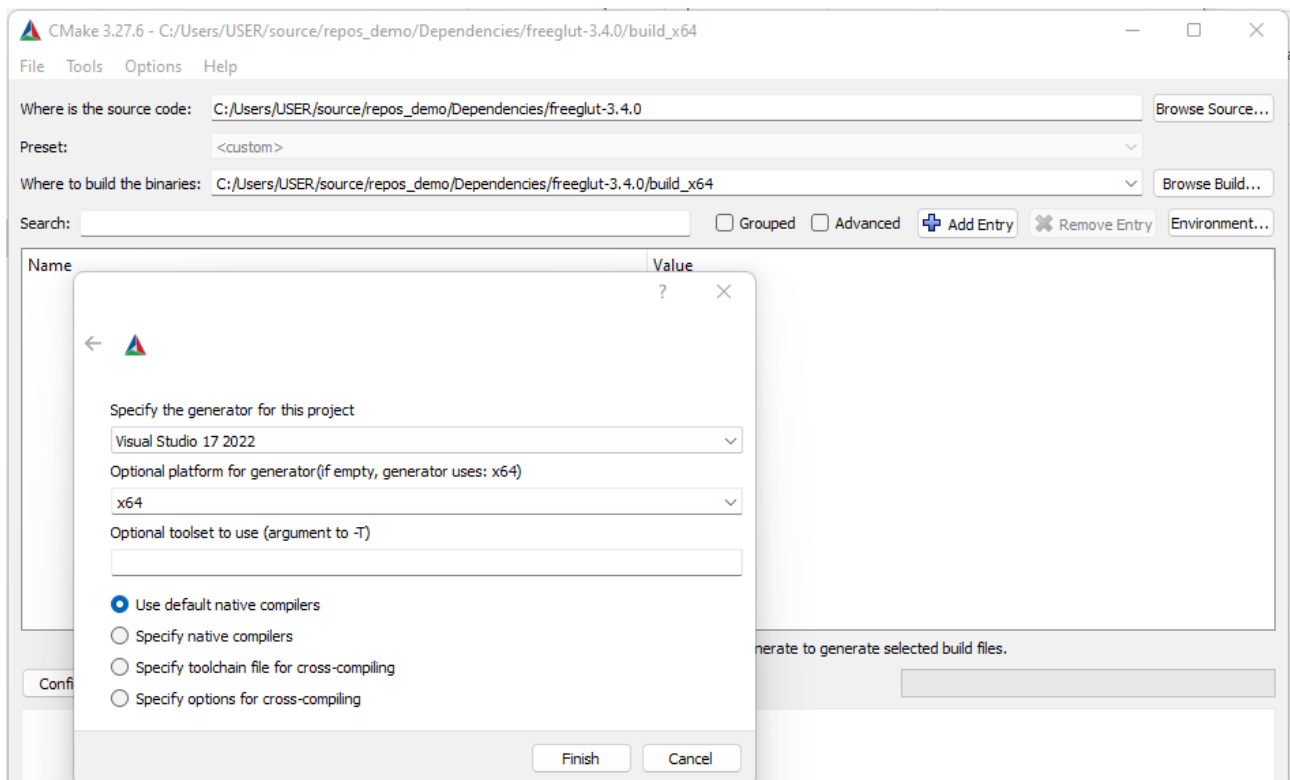
**C:/<your-path-here>/repos\_demo/Dependencies/freeglut-3.4.0/build\_x64**

Click “Configure”.

You will be prompted if you want to create the nonexistent folder **build\_x64**, click yes.

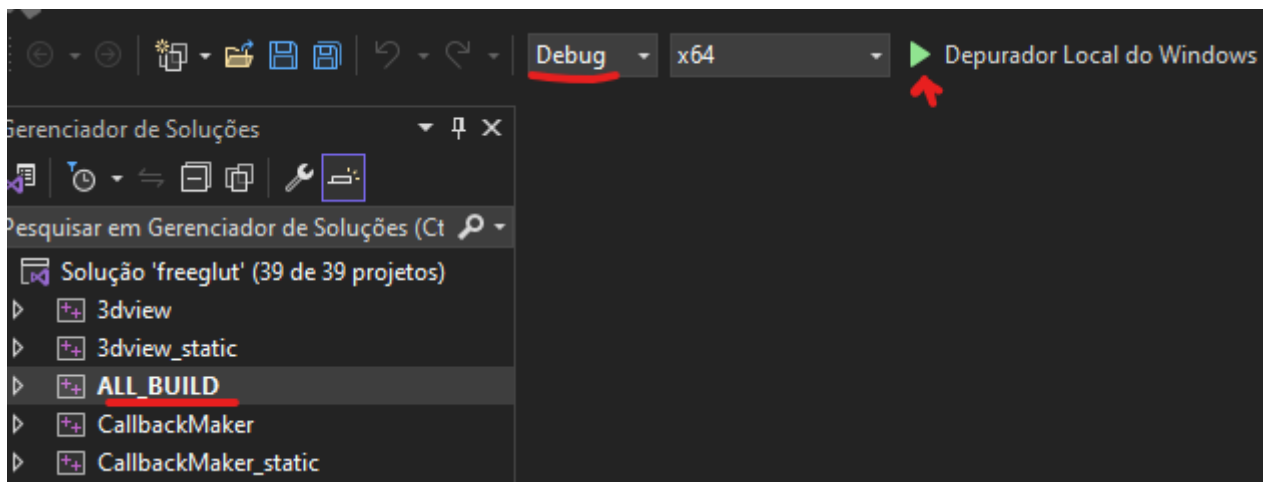
You will be prompted to specify the generator for the project, choose your Visual Studio version (that should appear in the drop down box). You will also have to choose the platform generator, choose preferably **x64**.

Your configuration should look like the picture below:



Click “Configure” again to make the variables colored in red, white. And then click “Generate”. This generates the freetglut Visual Studio solution into the folder **repos\_demo/Dependencies/freetglut-3.4.0/build\_x64**. Go to this folder and open the solution called **freetglut.sln**.

Run the **ALL\_BUILD** in **debug** and **release** modes.



Now the libraries and the examples of code are all built.

The libraries are in

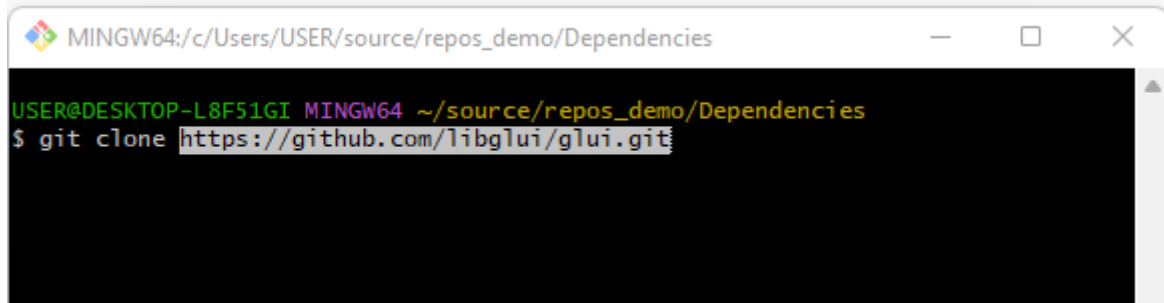
**Dependencies\freetglut-3.4.0\build\_x64\lib**

The dll files are in

**Dependencies\freetglut-3.4.0\build\_x64\bin**

## 6. Get and build Glui

Go to <https://github.com/libglui/glui>, and clone the repo into Dependencies folder.



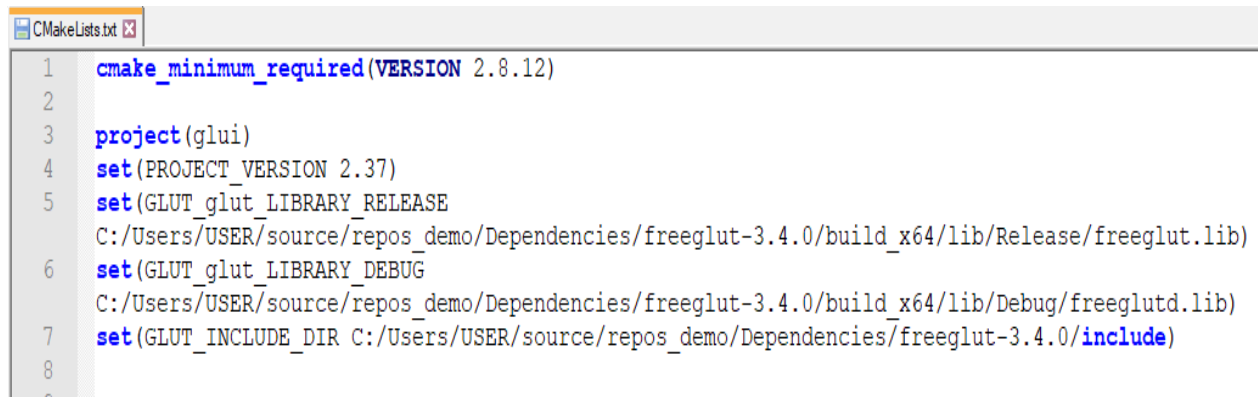
```
MINGW64/c:/Users/USER/source/repos_demo/Dependencies
USER@DESKTOP-L8F51GI MINGW64 ~/source/repos_demo/Dependencies
$ git clone https://github.com/libglui/glui.git
```

At this point we have the sources of glui. Now we will use CMake to generate a Visual Studio solution that allows us to build the binaries.

Before you launch CMake, you need to tell CMake where freeglut library is, because it is needed to build glui. To do that, edit the CmakeLists file (in the root of glui folder) and add there the following three entries:

```
set(GLUT_glut_LIBRARY_RELEASE
C:/<your-path-here>/repos_demo/Dependencies/freetglut-3.4.0/build_x64/lib/Release/
freetglut.lib)
set(GLUT_glut_LIBRARY_DEBUG
C:/<your-path-here>/repos_demo/Dependencies
/freetglut-3.4.0/build_x64/lib/Debug/freetglutd.lib)
set(GLUT_INCLUDE_DIR C:/<your-path-here>/repos_demo/Dependencies /freetglut-
3.4.0/include)
```

This is what the file should look like:



```
CMakeLists.txt
1 cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.12)
2
3 project(glui)
4 set(PROJECT_VERSION 2.37)
5 set(GLUT_glut_LIBRARY_RELEASE
C:/Users/USER/source/repos_demo/Dependencies/freetglut-3.4.0/build_x64/lib/Release/freetglut.lib)
6 set(GLUT_glut_LIBRARY_DEBUG
C:/Users/USER/source/repos_demo/Dependencies/freetglut-3.4.0/build_x64/lib/Debug/freetglutd.lib)
7 set(GLUT_INCLUDE_DIR C:/Users/USER/source/repos_demo/Dependencies/freetglut-3.4.0/include)
8
9
```

Launch CMake.

Fill in the field “Where is the source code” with:

**C:/<your path here>/repos\_demo/Dependencies/glui**

Fill in the field “Where to build the binaries” with:

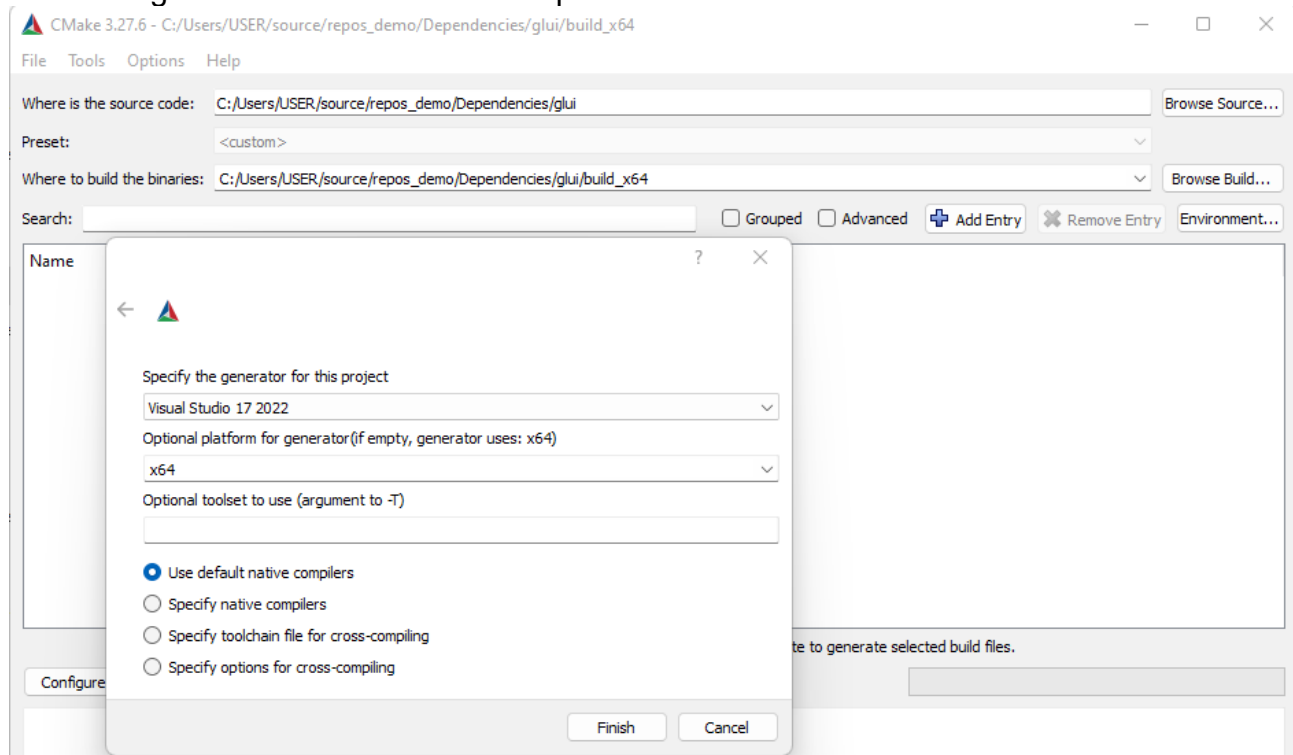
**C:/<your path here>/repos\_demo/Dependencies/glui/build\_x64**

Click “Configure”.

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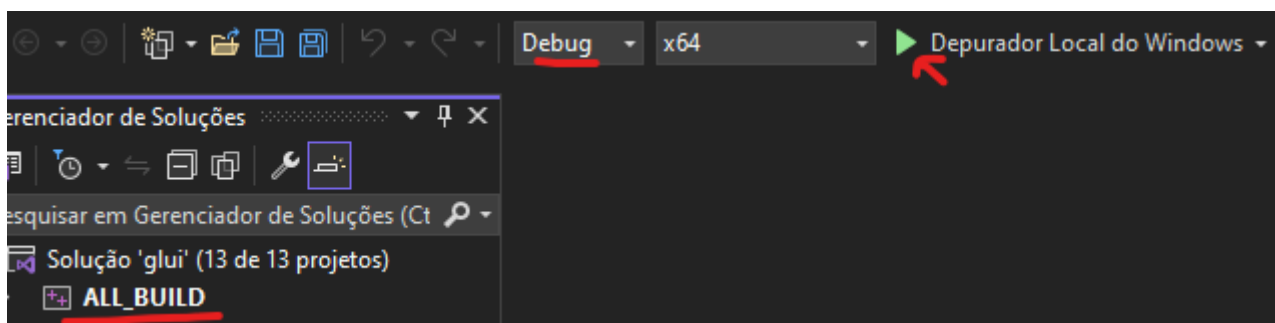
You will be prompted to specify the generator for the project, choose your Visual Studio version (that should appear in the drop down box). You will also have to choose the platform generator, choose preferably **x64**.

Your configuration should look like the picture below:



Click “Configure” again to make the variables colored in red, white. And then click “Generate”. This generates the glui Visual Studio solution into the folder **repos\_demo/Dependencies/glui/build\_x64**. Go to this folder and open the solution called **glui.sln**.

Run the **ALL\_BUILD** in **debug** and **release** modes.



Now the libraries and the examples of code are all built.

The binaries and libraries for debug are in

**Dependencies\glui\build\_x64\Debug**

The binaries and libraries for release are in

**Dependencies\glui\build\_x64\Release**

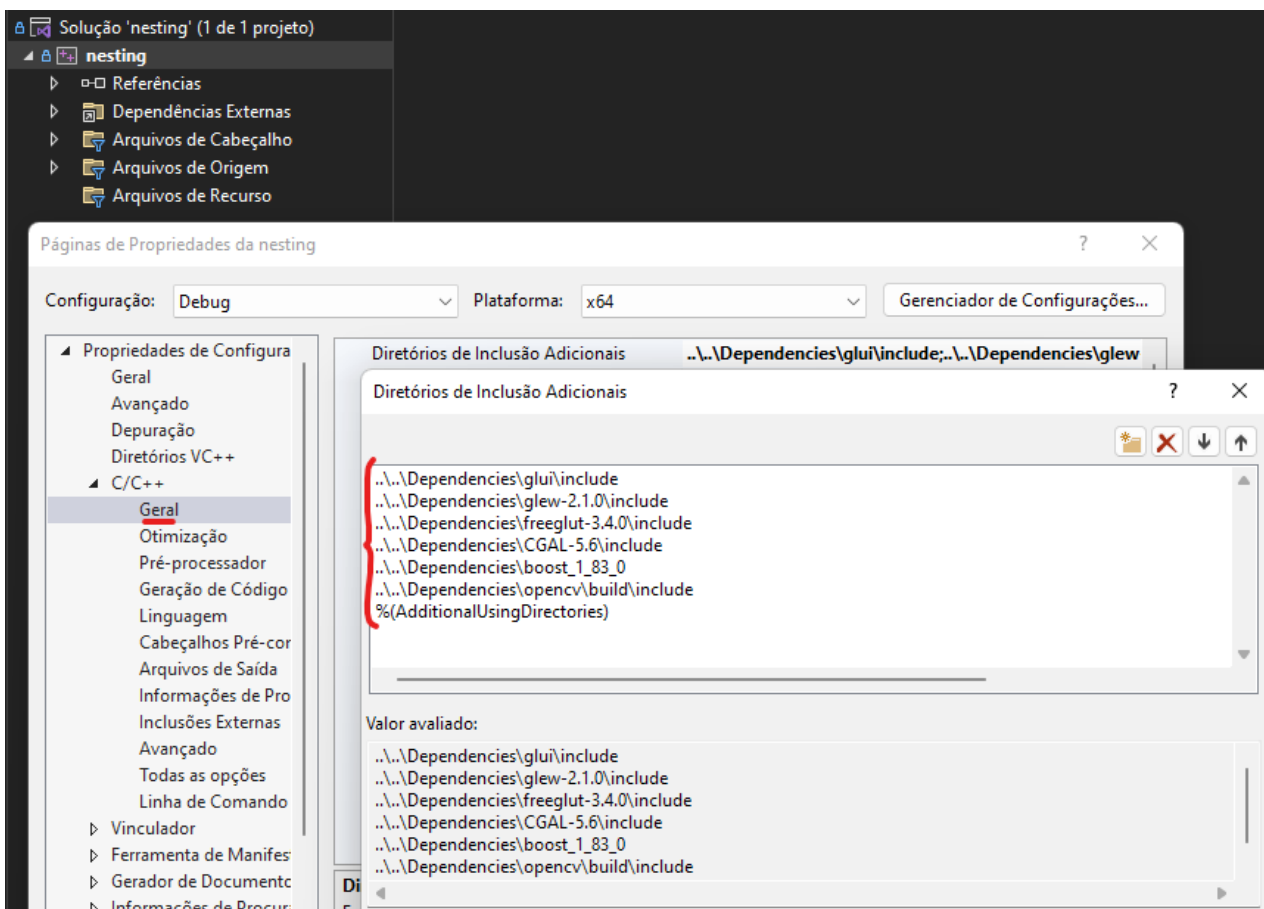
# Build the nesting2 project

Now go to `repos_demo\nesting2` and open `nesting.sln` solution.

## 1. Verify that the paths to include folders are correct

Then right click on the project (called “nesting”) and choose “Properties”. On the left menu of the window that appears, expand the “C/C++” category and then choose the option “General”. On the right frame you will find an entry called “Additional Include Directories”, click on the arrow to edit this.

Your screen should look like the one below (sorry for not providing pictures in English):



You will find the relative paths to the “include” folders of the dependencies we are using. These will be:

```
..\..\Dependencies\glui\include  
..\..\Dependencies\glew-2.1.0\include  
..\..\Dependencies\freeglut-3.4.0\include  
..\..\Dependencies\CGAL-5.6\include  
..\..\Dependencies\boost_1_83_0
```



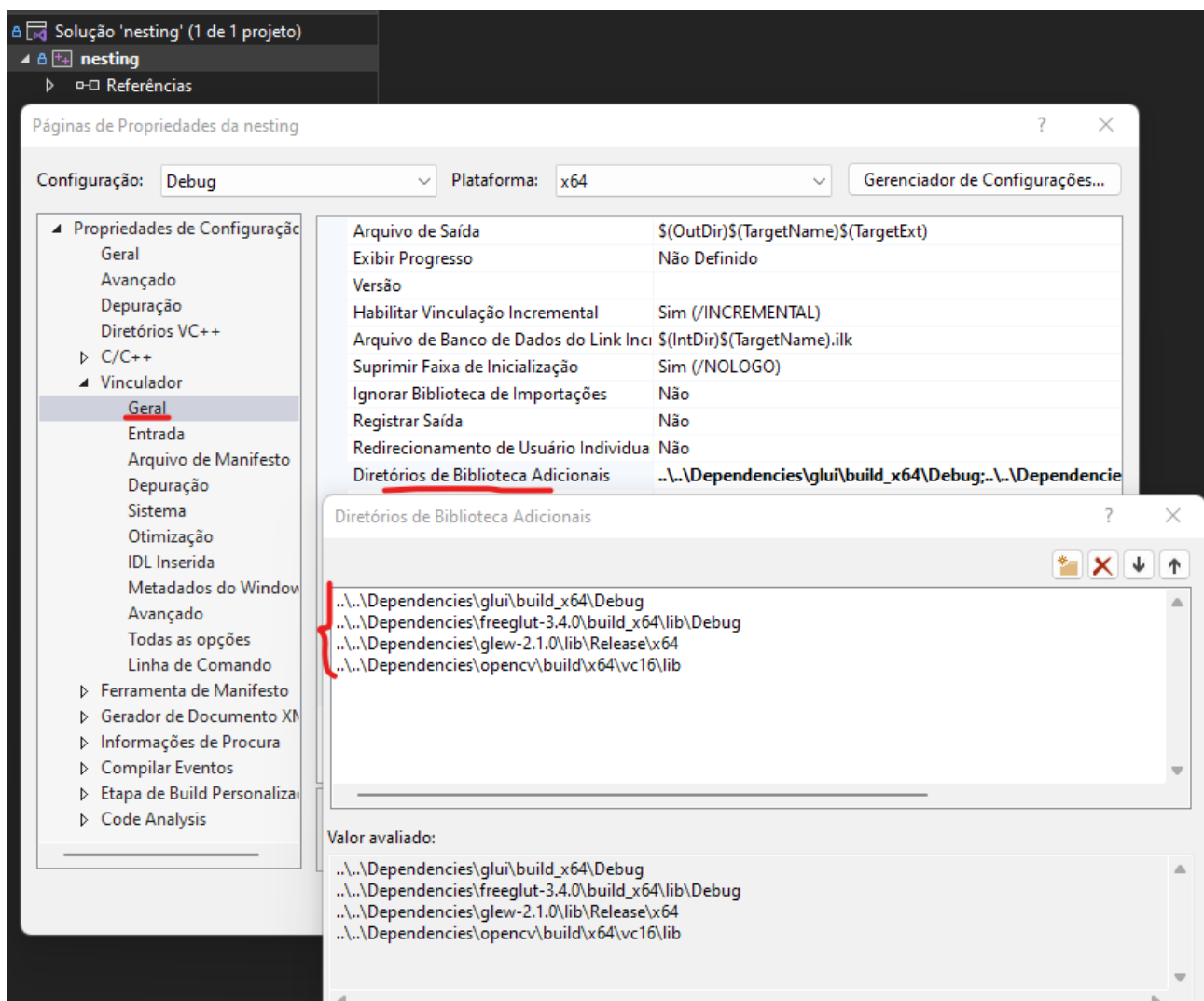
..\..\Dependencies\opencv\build\include

Confirm that these paths effectively correspond to the include folders provided by the libraries you downloaded. Note that, **if you downloaded different versions of the dependencies, you must change the paths to match your versions.**

## 2. Verify that the paths to libraries folders are correct

Go back to the properties window and expand the “Linker” category and choose the option “General”. On the right frame you will find an entry called “Additional Library Directories” click on the arrow to edit this.

Your screen should look like this:



You will find the relative paths to the lib folders of the dependencies we are using. These will be:

..\..\Dependencies\glui\build\_x64\Debug

..\..\Dependencies\freeglut-3.4.0\build\_x64\lib\Debug

..\..\Dependencies\glew-2.1.0\lib\Release\x64

..\..\Dependencies\opencv\build\x64\vc16\lib

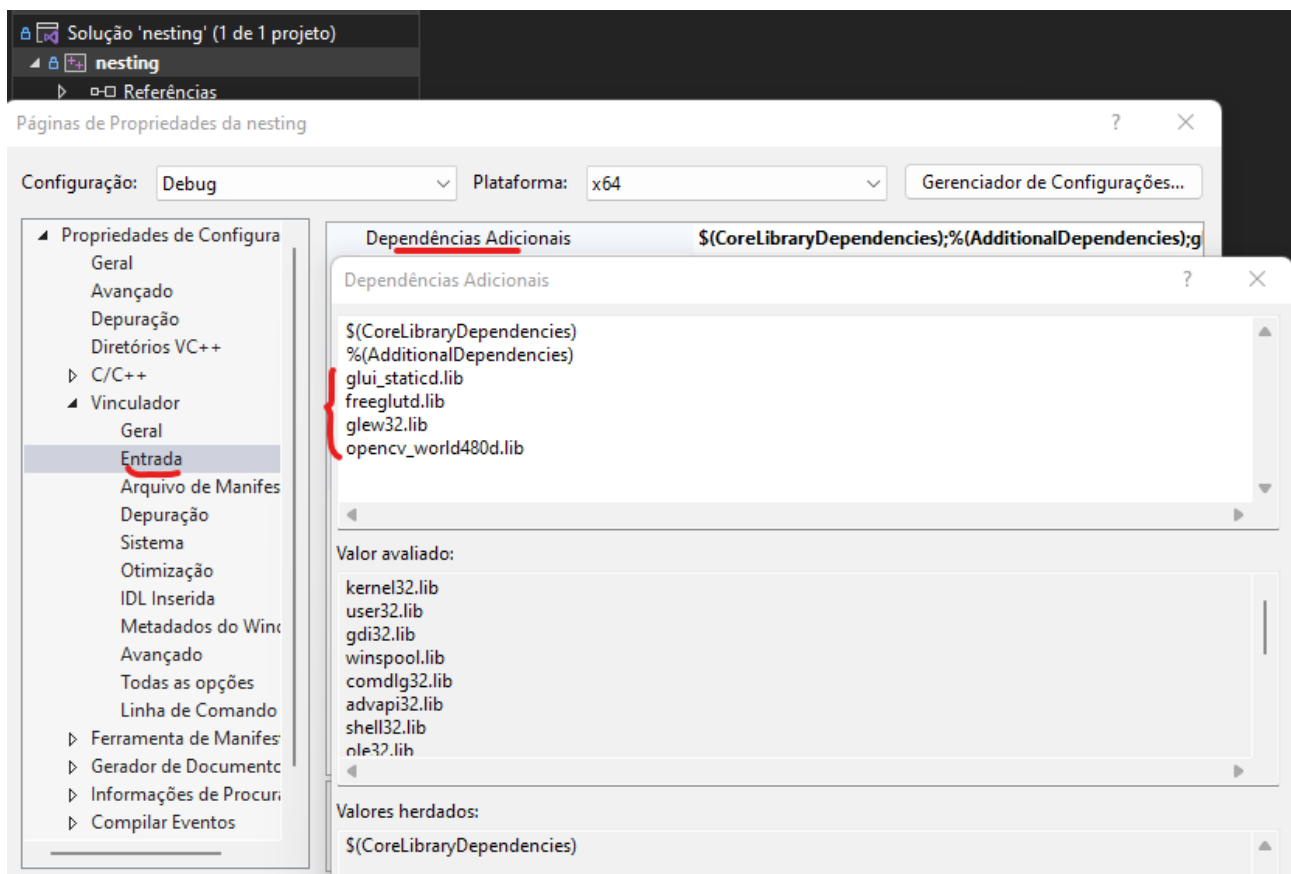
(Note that glui and freeglut paths point to Debug folders. Had you been editing the Release configuration, they should point to the Release ones.)

Confirm that these paths effectively correspond to the include folders provided by the libraries you downloaded. Note that, **if you downloaded different versions of the dependencies, you must change the paths to match your versions.**

### 3. Verify that you have specified the correct libraries names

Go back once again to the properties window and, in the “Linker” category, choose the option “Input”. On the right frame you will find an entry called “Additional Dependencies” click on the arrow to edit this.

Your screen should look like this:



You will find the names of the lib folders of the dependencies we are using. These will be:

glui\_staticd.lib

freeglutd.lib

glew32.lib

opencv\_world480d.lib

Note that all of these libraries (except glew32.lib) end with a 'd'. This is because they are debug libraries. Had you been editing the Release configuration, you should drop the 'd' (ex. glui\_static.lib).

**Now you should be able to compile the project successfully.**

To run it you still have to execute the step below.

## 4. Copy the dll's into project folder

To be able to run the project, the executable must be able to find the dll's it needs. For this reason I've placed the required dll's into the project folder: **repos\_demo\nesting2\nesting**.

You should copy the following dll's into project folder:

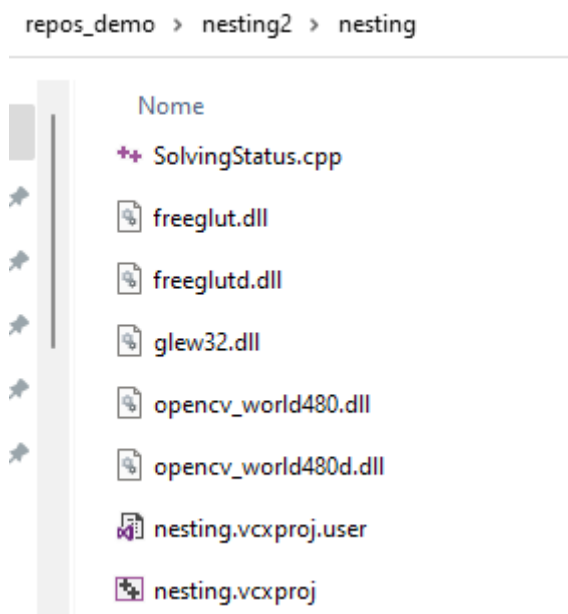
freeglutd.dll -> from **repos\_demo\Dependencies\freeglut-3.4.0\build\_x64\bin\Debug**

freeglut.dll -> from **repos\_demo\Dependencies\freeglut-3.4.0\build\_x64\bin\Release**

glew32.dll -> from **repos\_demo\Dependencies\glew-2.1.0\bin\Release\x64**

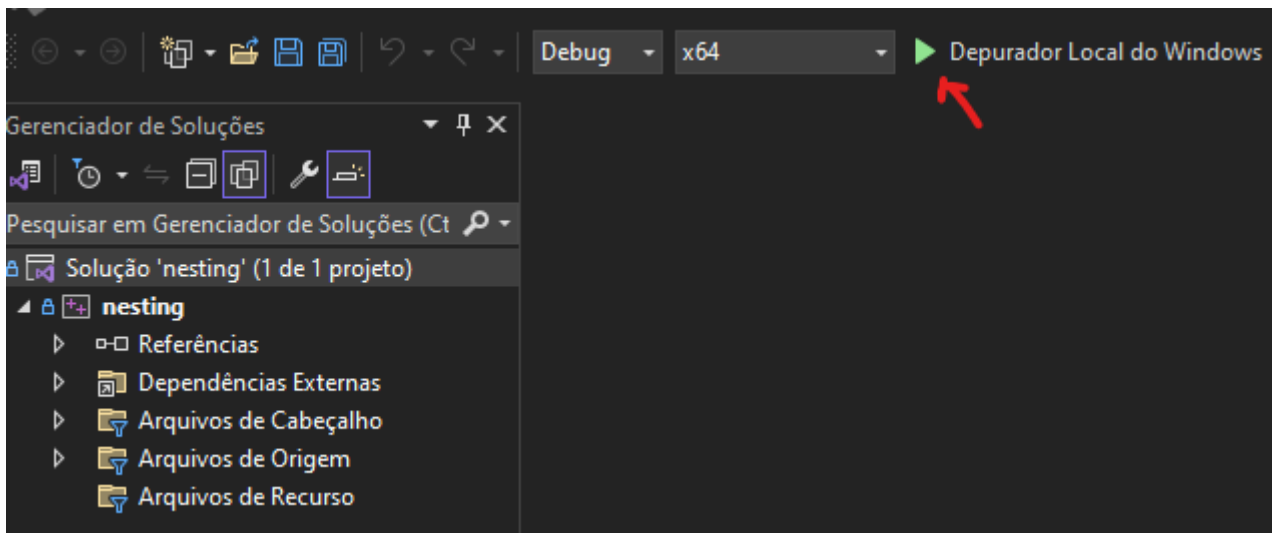
opencv\_world480.dll and opencv\_world480d.dll -> from **repos\_demo\Dependencies\opencv\build\x64\vc16\bin**

Your project folder should look like this:

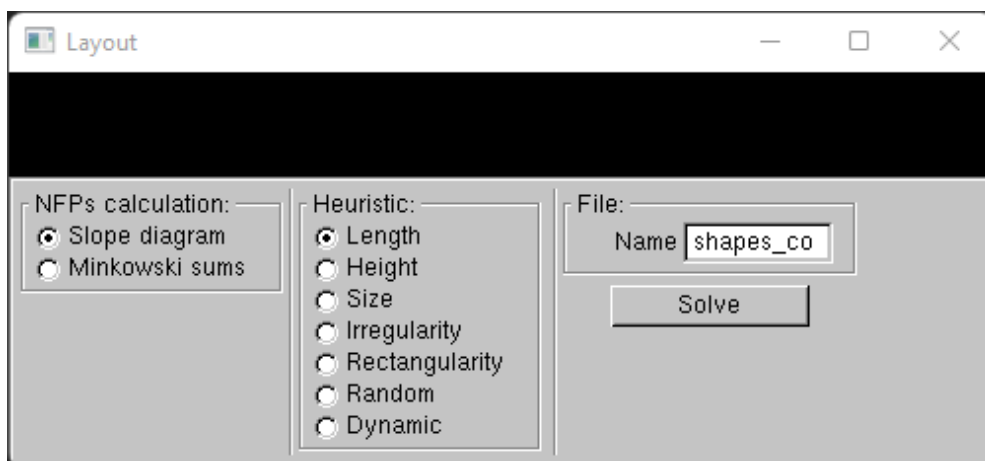


## 5. Compile and run the project

Now you should be able to build and run the project, as below:



This is what a successful run looks like:



If you try it out, it should look like this:

