

Installation under Mac OS with Homebrew

Please follow the instructions carefully, line-by-line. This is not the time to be creative!

1. Install Homebrew following link: <https://brew.sh/>. You just need to copy, paste, and run some script in the macOS terminal.
2. As part of the installation, you will get **CLang** compiler and LLDB debugger. To check, type in the terminal:

```
clang --version  
lldb --version
```

If the compiler and the debugger are missing, then install them by typing in the terminal:

```
xcode-select --install
```

Check again that you have **CLang** and LLDB properly installed.

3. Install CMake and Visual Studio Code by typing in the terminal:

```
brew update  
brew upgrade  
brew install cmake  
brew install ninja  
brew install visual-studio-code  
brew install doxygen  
brew install gsl  
brew install graphviz  
brew install pkg-config
```

To check that everything is correctly installed, type in the terminal:

```
code --version  
cmake --version  
ninja --version  
doxygen --version  
pkg-config --version  
gsl-config --version  
dot -V
```

Configure Visual Studio Code

Type in the terminal:

```
code
```

It will start the Visual Studio Code. Add C/C++ Extension Pack following the link:

```
ms-vscode.cpptools-extension-pack
```

Install course package

1. Create a directory, where you will keep the material related to the course. Hereafter, we call this directory **Vega**.
2. Place file **VegaP.zip** in directory **Vega** and extract it. Check that the directory tree looks like **Vega:\VegaP\test** (not as **Vega:\VegaP\VegaP\test**).
3. Open directory **Vega\VegaP** with Visual Studio Code. You will be asked to select a Kit for VegaP. Choose¹

```
Clang 12.0.0. Using compilers: C = /usr/bin/clang, ...
```

If everything goes well, you will see the output of the kind:

```
[cmake] -- The CXX compiler identification is AppleClang ...
```

4. In the future, to get back to your project, just open Visual Studio Code. It remembers the last state.
5. In file **\VegaP\CMakeLists.txt**, around line 40, type **"YOUR_ID"** instead of **"Vega"**. **"YOUR_ID"** can be your first and last name.
6. Build all projects with **(Shift+Fn+F7)** and then choose **(all)**. Sometimes you have to do it a couple of times to clear the errors. Help files in **.html** format will appear in **\VegaP\build\doc**. You may want to bookmark some of them for a quick access from your browser.
7. Run project **setup** with **(Shift+Fn+F5)**. Text file **setup.txt** will be created in directory **Vega:\VegaP\build\output\setup**. **"YOUR_ID"** will appear on the first line.

¹The version number may be different. It should work just fine.

8. Debug project **setup** with **(Ctrl+Fn+F5)**. The same text file will be created, but the dialog will look different. You may have to do it a couple of times to get a result. The debug mode allows you to add breakpoints with **(Fn+F9)** and then track the values of variables.
9. Check the instructions for **CMake Tools** following the link. Skip all sections related to CMake, just learn how to configure, build, and debug.
10. Useful shortcuts:
 - (Cmd+Shift+P)** opens Command Palette. Type **CMake** to get the commands from CMake Tools. Command Palette remembers the commands used recently. It is my preferred way to work with the Visual Studio Code.
 - (Shift+Fn+F7)** allows you to select and build a specific target.
 - (Fn+F7)** builds the active build target. You can select the build target by opening Command Palette with **(Cmd+Shift+P)** and then typing **(CMake: Set Build Target)**.
 - (Ctrl+Fn+F5)** debugs the active launch or debug target. You can select the launch target by opening Command Palette with **(Cmd+Shift+P)** and then typing **(CMake: Set Debug Target)**.
 - (Shift+Fn+F5)** runs the active launch or debug target.
 - (Shift+Alt+F)** formats your code to look nice.

Remark 1. Do not use the default debug command initiated by **(Fn+F5)**. Press instead **(Ctrl+Fn+F5)**. This way, CMake takes care of all the settings.

Remark 2. If CMake misbehaves, then do

Soft reset: **(Cmd+Shift+P)** + **(CMake: Delete Cache and Reconfigure)**
+ **(CMake: Clean Rebuild)**.

Hard reset: close Visual Studio Code, delete directory **Vega:\VegaP\build**, and restart Visual Studio Code.