

## Installation under Mac OS with Homebrew

The instructions are exactly the same as for the VegaP project. Skip the installation part and start with the Section **Install course package**.

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 **VegaQ.zip** in directory **Vega** and extract it. Check that the directory tree looks like **Vega:\VegaQ\test** (not as **Vega:\VegaQ\VegaQ\test**).
3. Open directory **Vega\VegaQ** with Visual Studio Code. You will be asked to select a Kit for VegaQ. Choose<sup>1</sup>

```
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 **\VegaQ\CMakeLists.txt**, around line 40, type **"YOUR\_ID"** instead of **"Vega"**. Later, **"YOUR\_ID"** will be the name of your team in Quantathon. You will choose it with your teammates.
6. Build all projects with **(Shift+Fn+F7)** and then choose **(a11)**. Sometimes you have to do it a couple of times to clear the errors. Help files in **.html** format will appear in **\VegaQ\build\doc**. You may want to bookmark some of them for a quick access from your browser.
7. Run project **quantExamples** with **(Shift+Fn+F5)**. Text file **quantExamples.txt** will be created in directory **Vega:\VegaQ\build\output\quantExamples**. **"YOUR\_ID"** will appear on the first line.

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<sup>1</sup>The version number may be different. It should work just fine.

8. Debug project `quantExamples` 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:\VegaQ\build`, and restart Visual Studio Code.