

CSC 3210

Computer Organization and Programming

Lab Work 9

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Learning Objective

- Logical instructions and loops

Disclaimer

- The process shown in these slides might not work in every single computer due to Operating system version, Microsoft Visual Studio versions and everything.
- If you find any unusual error, you can inform the instructor.
- Instructor will help you resolve the issue.

Attendance!

Lab Work 9 Instructions

- Lab 9 : Conditional statements and loop

Plan early ...

- You have one week time to submit the lab
- Start early
- If you have issues
 - Email TA
- Start working **at the last moment** is not a good idea.

- Appendix A shows how to check memory data and Appendix B shows how to create a new project.

Problems in this lab

- You might see similar questions in the quizzes and exam.
- During the exam you might need solve similar problems without visual studio.

A review

CMP and conditional jumps

CMP Instruction

- The most common **boolean expressions** involve some type of **comparison**:

if A > B ...

while X > 0 and X < 200 ...

if check_for_error(N) = true

- **CMP** instruction is used to compare integers (**signed** and **unsigned**)
- Compares the **destination** operand to the **source** operand (HOW )
 - **CMP** performs **implied subtraction** of source operand from destination operand 
 - **Nondestructive subtraction** of source from destination (destination operand is not changed)
- **Syntax:**

CMP *destination, source*

J_{cond} Instruction

- A conditional jump instruction **branches** to a label
 - When specific status flag condition is true
- Syntax

J**cond** destination

- **cond** refers to a flag condition identifying the state of one or more **flags**.
- The following examples are based on the **Carry** and **Zero** flags:

JC	Jump if carry (Carry flag set)
JNC	Jump if not carry (Carry flag clear)
JZ	Jump if zero (Zero flag set)
JNZ	Jump if not zero (Zero flag clear)

CPU status flags are most commonly set by arithmetic, comparison, and boolean instructions.

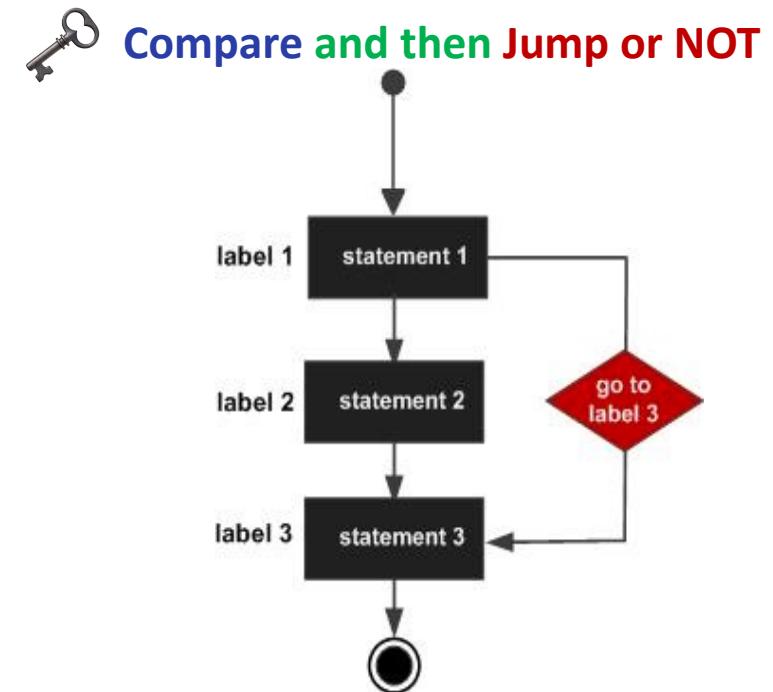
Conditional Jumps (Example1)

- First, an operation such as **CMP**, **AND**, or **SUB** modifies the **CPU status flags**.
- Second, a **conditional jump** instruction **tests** the flags and **causes a branch** to a new address.

- The **CMP** instruction compares **EAX** to **Zero**.
- The **JZ** (Jump if zero) instruction jumps to label L1 **if** the **Zero flag** was **set by the CMP instruction**:

```
cmp eax,0  
jz L1           ; jump if ZF = 1
```

L1:



Conditional Jumps (Example2)

- **First**, an operation such as **CMP**, **AND**, or **SUB** modifies the **CPU status flags**.
- **Second**, a **conditional jump** instruction **tests** the flags and **causes a branch** to a new address.



Compare and then Jump

- The **AND** instruction performs a **bitwise AND** on the DL register, **affecting** the **Zero flag**.
- The **JNZ** (jump if not Zero) instruction jumps if the **Zero flag** is **clear**:

```
and dl,1011000b  
jnz L2 ; jump if ZF = 0
```

.

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L2:

Types of Conditional Jumps Instructions

- **Conditional jump** instructions are able to
 - Compare signed and unsigned integers and
 - Perform actions based on the values of individual CPU flags.
- The conditional jump instructions can be divided into **four groups**:
 - Jumps based on **specific flag** values
 - Jumps based on **equality** between operands or the value of (E)CX
 - Jumps based on **comparisons of unsigned** operands
 - Jumps based on **comparisons of signed** operands

Jumps Based on Specific Flags

Mnemonic	Description	Flags
JZ	Jump if zero	ZF = 1
JNZ	Jump if not zero	ZF = 0
JC	Jump if carry	CF = 1
JNC	Jump if not carry	CF = 0
JO	Jump if overflow	OF = 1
JNO	Jump if not overflow	OF = 0
JS	Jump if signed	SF = 1
JNS	Jump if not signed	SF = 0
JP	Jump if parity (even)	PF = 1
JNP	Jump if not parity (odd)	PF = 0

Jumps Based on Equality

Mnemonic	Description
JE	Jump if equal ($leftOp = rightOp$)
JNE	Jump if not equal ($leftOp \neq rightOp$)
JCXZ	Jump if CX = 0
JECXZ	Jump if ECX = 0
JRCXZ	Jump if RCX = 0 (64-bit mode)

Jumps Based on Unsigned Comparisons

Mnemonic	Description
JA	Jump if above (if $leftOp > rightOp$)
JNBE	Jump if not below or equal (same as JA)
JAE	Jump if above or equal (if $leftOp \geq rightOp$)
JNB	Jump if not below (same as JAE)
JB	Jump if below (if $leftOp < rightOp$)
JNAE	Jump if not above or equal (same as JB)
JBE	Jump if below or equal (if $leftOp \leq rightOp$)
JNA	Jump if not above (same as JBE)

A and B

Jumps Based on Signed Comparisons

Mnemonic	Description
JG	Jump if greater (if $leftOp > rightOp$)
JNLE	Jump if not less than or equal (same as JG)
JGE	Jump if greater than or equal (if $leftOp \geq rightOp$)
JNL	Jump if not less (same as JGE)
JL	Jump if less (if $leftOp < rightOp$)
JNGE	Jump if not greater than or equal (same as JL)
JLE	Jump if less than or equal (if $leftOp \leq rightOp$)
JNG	Jump if not greater (same as JLE)

G and L

IF Statements: Example1 (IF-Then)

- Implement the following pseudocode in assembly language.
- All values are **unsigned**:

```
if( ebx == ecx )
{
    eax = 5;
    edx = 6;
}
```

```
cmp ebx, ecx
je L1
jmp L2
L1:
    mov eax, 5
    mov edx, 6
L2:
```

- IF statement is translated into assembly language with a
 - **CMP instruction** followed by
 - **Conditional jumps**.
- If op1 or op2 is a **memory operand** (a variable):
 - **one of them must be moved to a register** before executing **CMP**.

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(There are multiple correct solutions to this problem.)

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Reverse The IF Condition

```
cmp ebx,ecx
jne next
mov eax,5
mov edx,6
next:
```

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Example: Check Larger of two integers

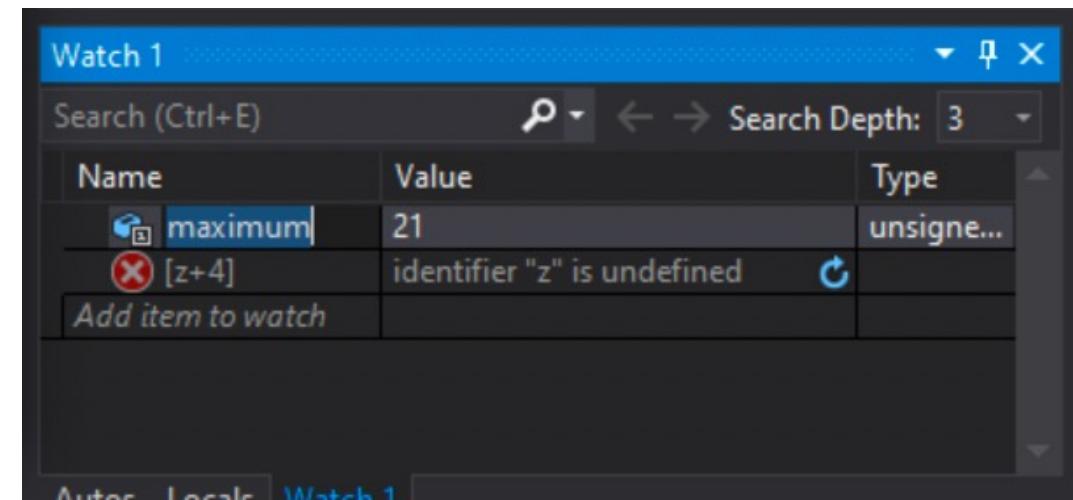
- Assume two signed integers stored in EAX and EBX register. Write a code that transfers largest integer into variable called MAXIMUM.

```
.data  
    maximum DWORD ?  
.code  
    ; Store first item to EAX register  
    MOV eax, 21  
    ; Store the second item into EBX register  
    MOV ebx, 19  
    CMP eax, ebx  
    JG L1  
    JLE L2  
        L1: MOV MAXIMUM, eax  
        JMP Next  
    L2: MOV MAXIMUM, ebx  
Next:
```

Don't need to turn in!

Debug the code

- Enter the debug mode
- and open watch window. Go to Debug-> Windows -> Watch -> Watch1
- Enter the variable name maximum in watch window
- Then debug the code
 - until you reach “INVOKE ExitProcess”



Example: Find the smallest among three items

- Let's assume, the values are V1, V2, and V3 and you want to store the smallest item into AX register.

- Logic:

If V1 \leq V2

Mov minimum, V1

Else

Mov minimum, V2

If V3 < minimum:

Mov minimum, V3

Find the smallest among three items

```
.data  
    v1 SWORD 10  
    v2 SWORD 13  
    v3 SWORD -5  
    minimum SWORD ?
```

```
.code  
    mov ax, v1  
    mov bx, v2  
    mov cx, v3  
    cmp ax, bx  
    jle IF_Block ; if v1 < v2, jump to IF block  
    jg ELSE_Block  
    IF_Block:  
        mov minimum, ax  
    jmp next  
    ELSE_Block:  
        mov minimum, bx  
    next:  
    cmp cx, minimum ; if v3 < minimum, jump to IF_block2  
    jle IF_Block2  
    jmp L1  
    IF_Block2:  
        mov minimum, cx  
    L1:
```

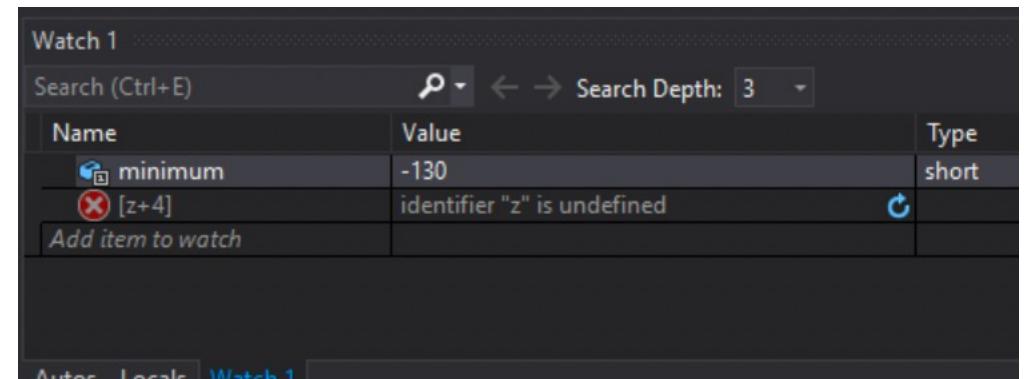
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Logic:
If $v1 < v2$ Mov minimum, V1
Else Mov minimum, V2
If $v3 < AX$: Mov minimum, V3

Debug the code

- Enter the debug mode
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- Enter the variable name minimum in the watch window
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Another example

- Write an assembly program to find the smallest item in an array and store it in a variable named MINIMUM.
- Hint: Use both Jump and loop instructions to write the program.
- logic:
- Assume that the first item of the array is the minimum and store it in variable MINIMUM
- Write a loop. Inside the loop, compare the each array item with the MINIMUM
- If the array item is less than the MINIMUM, update MINIMUM with that array item.

```
.data
    Array WORD 10, 2, 23, 45, 21, 11
    MINIMUM WORD ?

.code
    ; write your code
```

Java solution

```
MINIMUM = array[0]

for(i=0; i<6; i++) {
    if(array[i] < MINIMUM) {
        MINIMUM = array[i];
    }
}
```

Assembly code : Solution



```
Source.asm* X
1 .386
2 .model flat, stdcall
3 .stack 4096
4 ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode:DWORD
5 .data
6     array WORD 10, 2, 23, 45, 21, 11
7     MINIMUM WORD 0
8 .code
9 main PROC
10
11     MOV ECX, LENGTHOF array
12     MOV ESI, 0
13     ; Assume that the first item is minimum
14     MOV AX, array[ESI]
15
16     ; This loop is going to run 6 times
17     L1:
18         CMP array[ESI], AX
19         ; when current array item is less than current Min(EAX), enter the if block
20         JL if_block
21         JMP update_index
22
23     if_block:
24         MOV AX, array[ESI]
25         update_index:
26         ADD ESI, 2
27     Loop L1
28     MOV MINIMUM, AX
29     INVOKE ExitProcess, 0
30 main ENDP
31 END main
32
```

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Lab 9

Submission

Submission Instruction

- Write an assembly program to find the largest item in an array and store it in a variable named MAXIMUM.
- Hint: Use both Jump and loop instructions to write the program.
- logic:
- Assume that the first item of the array is the maximum and store it in variable MAXIMUM
- Write a loop. Inside the loop, compare the each array item with the maximum
- If the array item is greater than the MAXIMUM, update MAXIMUM with that array item.

```
.data
    Array WORD 10, 2, 23, 45, 21, 11
    MAXIMUM WORD ?

.code
    ; write your code
```

Submission Instruction

- Submit the screenshot of your code.
- Debug your code until you reach INVOKE ExitProcess, 0
- Take a single screenshot of the watch window showing variable MAXIMUM.
 - Submit the screenshot.
- Also, Rename the asm file using your last name as Lastname.asm
 - Submit the ASM file as well.

Appendix A

Checking Memory Data

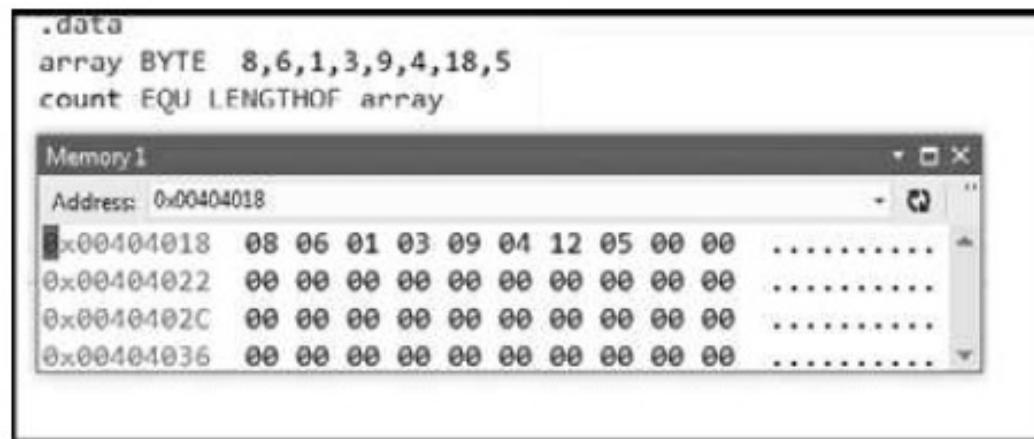
Checking Memory Data

- Use **Memory window** to verify the values of memory locations.
 - **To activate Memory window**, run the debugger, go to debug menu and click on windows, open it, go to **Memory** then choose **Memory1**.
 - When you run your program and step over every line you will see the changed values marked with red color.

You Must be in the Debugging Mode to see the memory or the register window

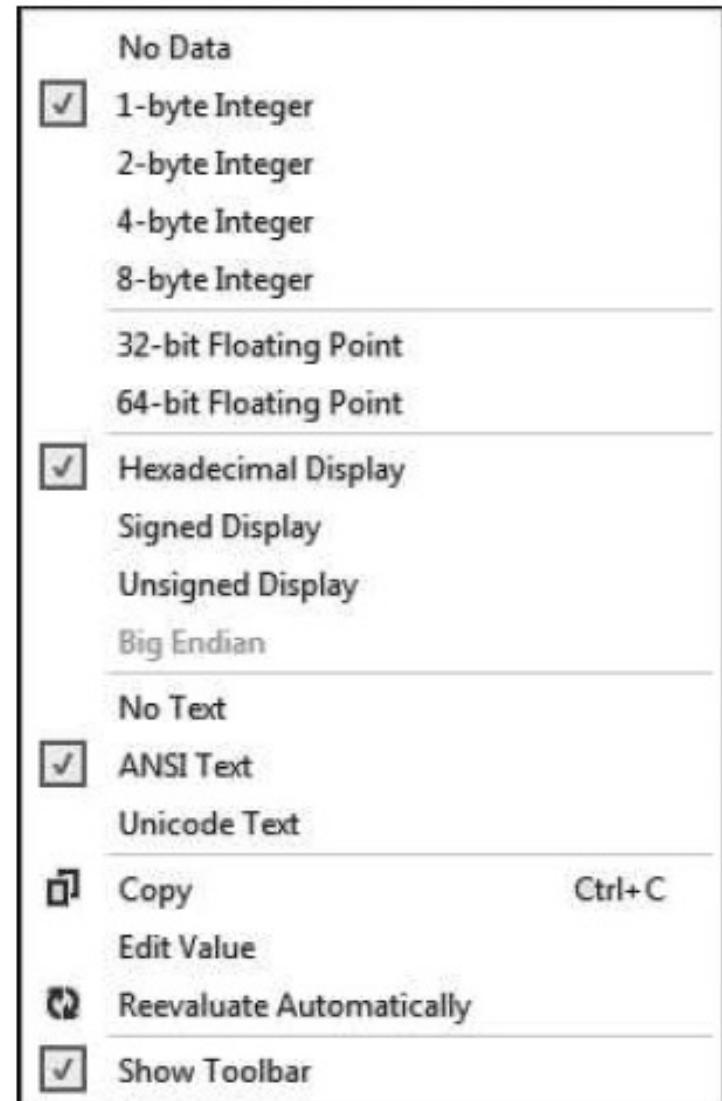
Checking Memory Data

- **To activate Memory window,**
 - if you want to see the location of your variable in the memory,
 - Memory window search box (on the top of the memory window, Address:)
 - write & follow it with the variable name: example: **&myVal**.
 - This will take you to the memory locations of your program (.data section).



Checking Memory Data

- To activate Memory window,
 - You can right-click inside the memory window
 - You will see **Popup menu for the debugger's memory window**
 - You can choose how you want to group your bytes: by 1,2,4, or by 8
 - You can also presents data in **hexadecimal, signed, or unsigned** display

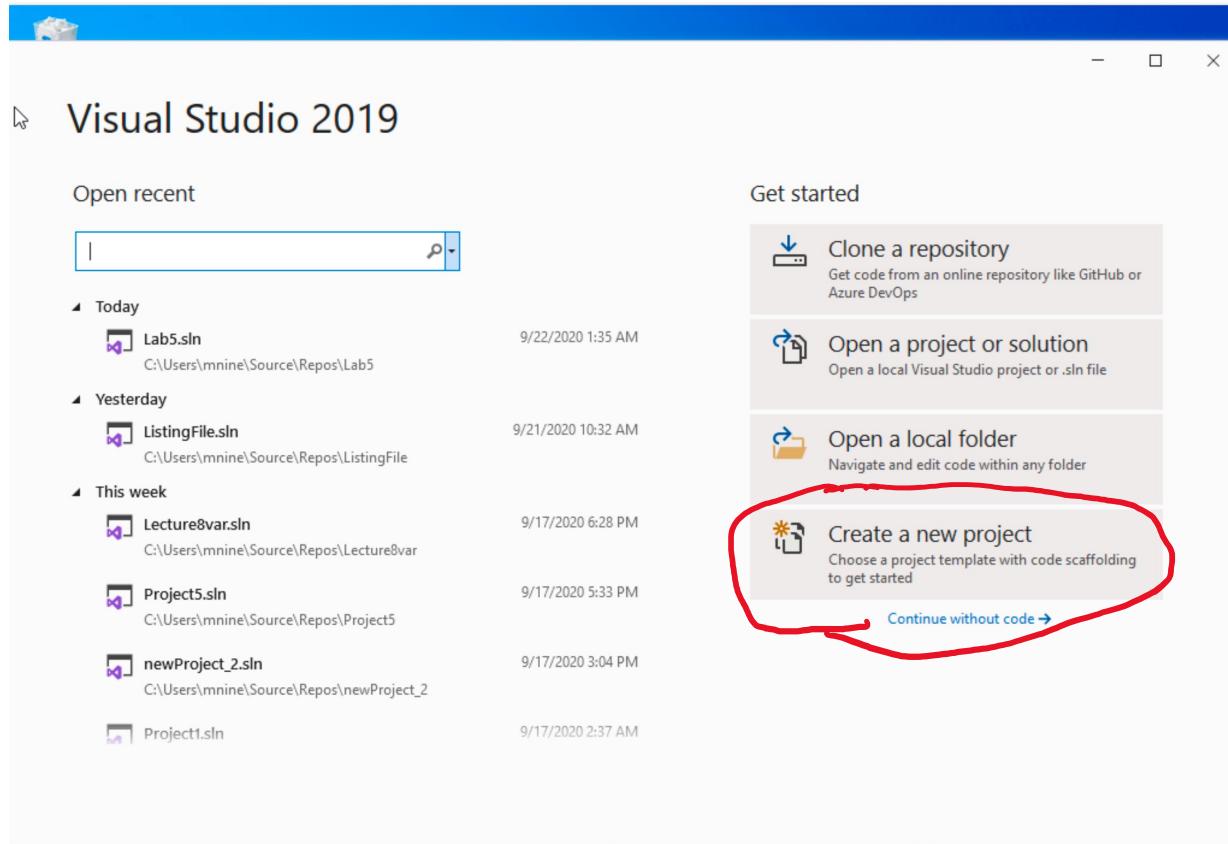


Appendix B

Create a Project

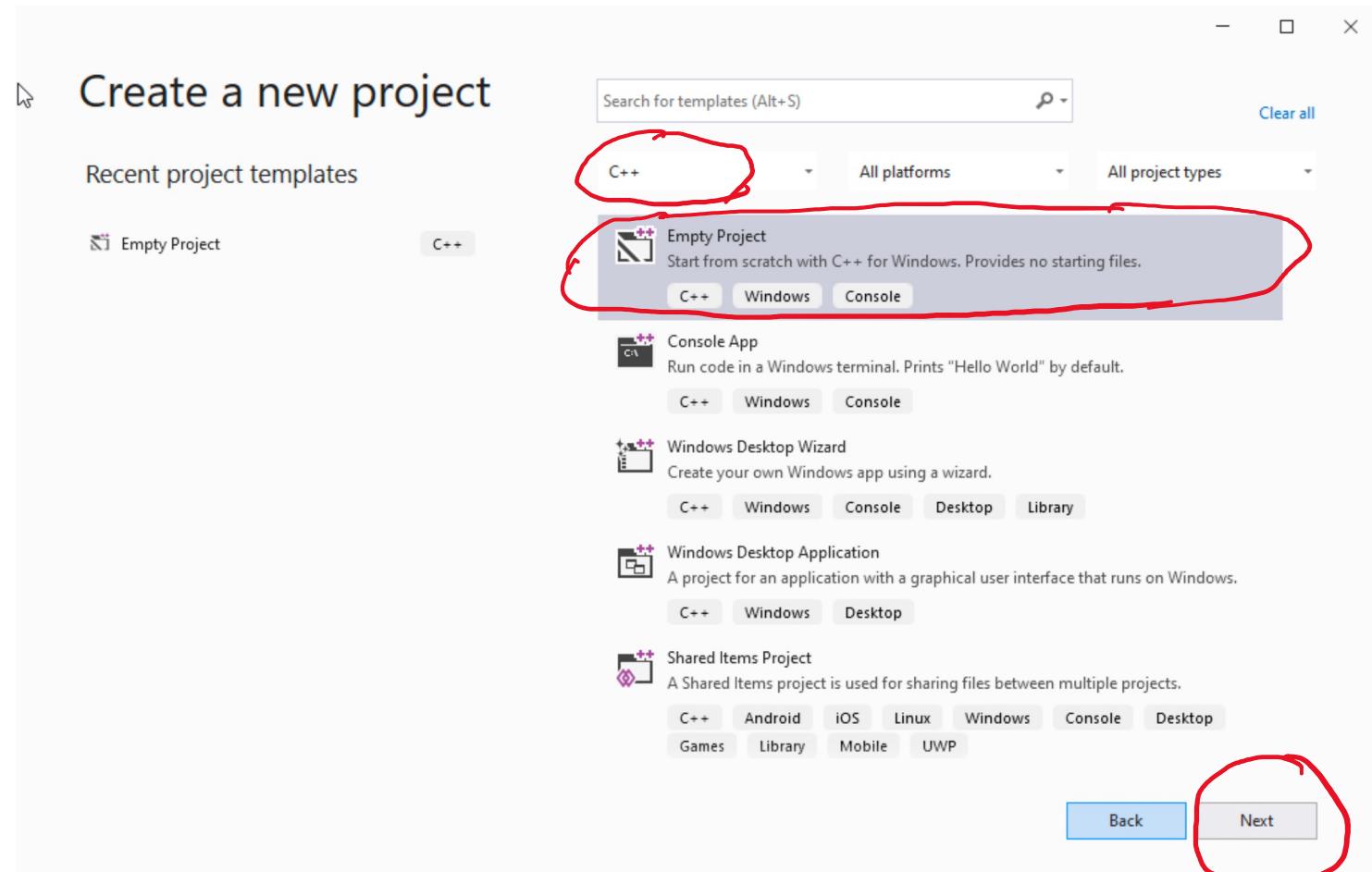
Step 1: Create a project (1)

- (1) Start Visual Studio
- (2) Click Create a new Project



Step 1: Create a project (2)

- (1) Select C++ as language
- (2) Select Empty Project
- (3) Click Next

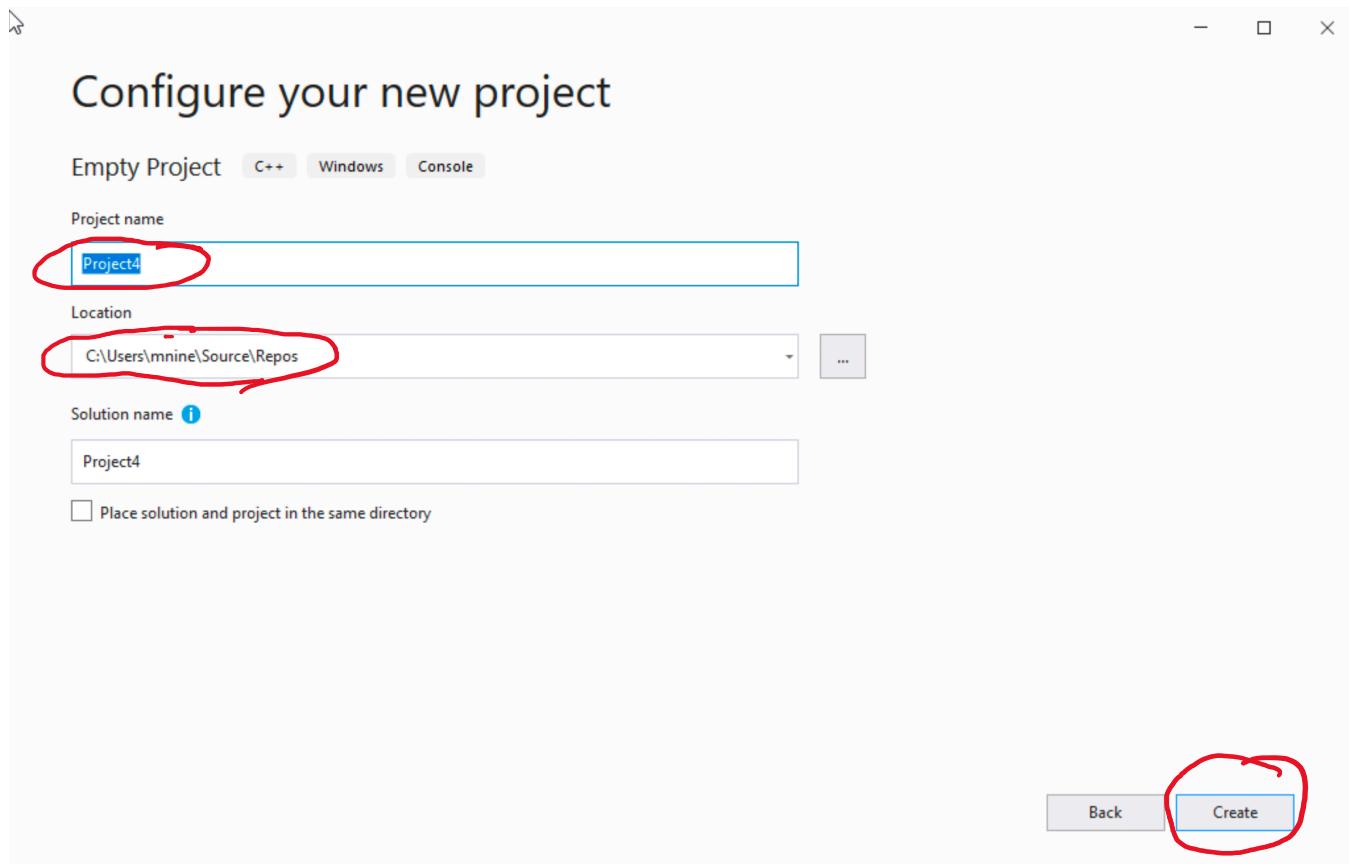


Step 1: Create a project (3)

(1) You can change the project name as you like

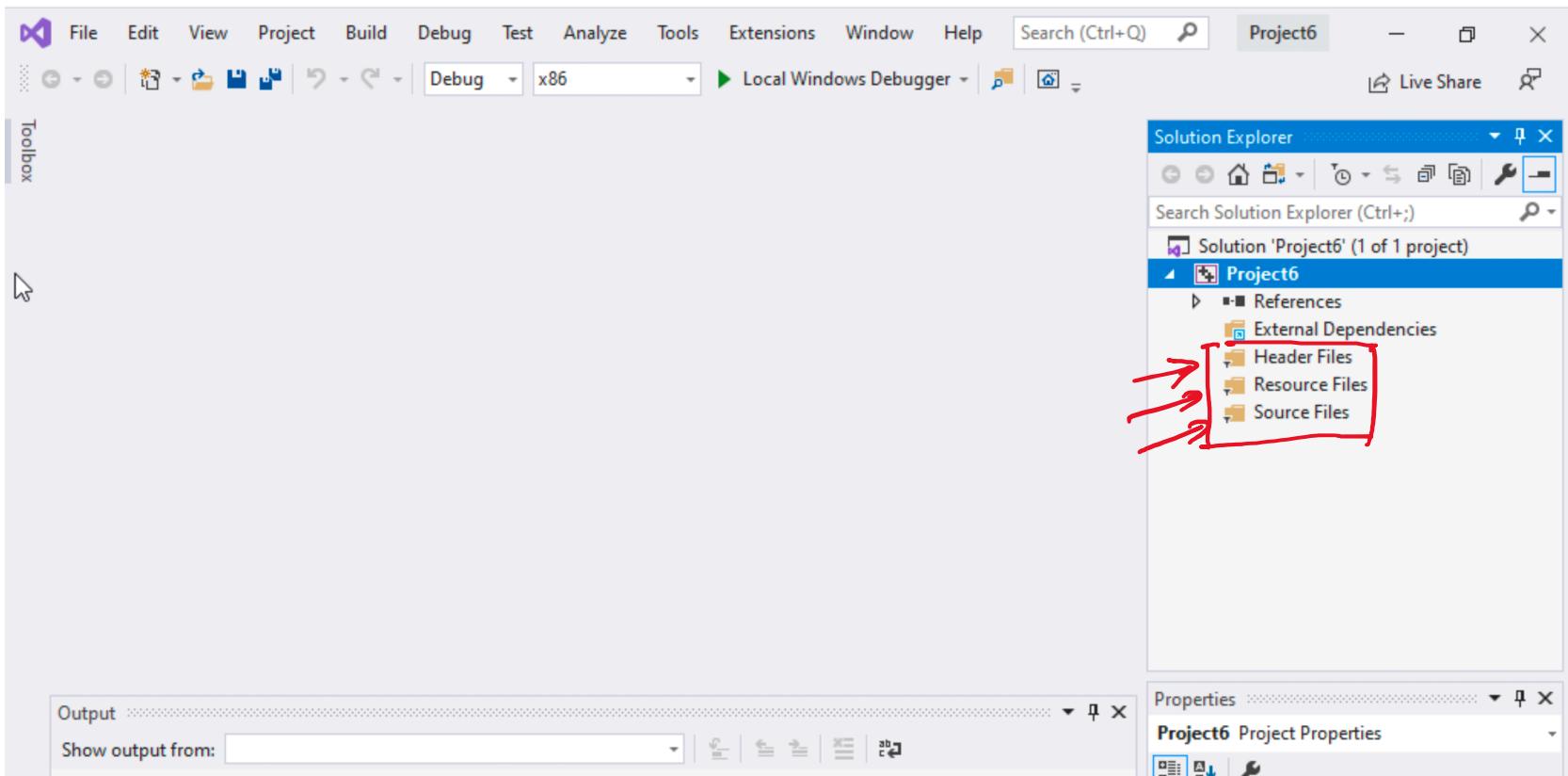
(1) Also, you can change the project location

(2) Click Next



Step 1: Create a project (4)

Delete the
Following folders:
Header files
Resources Files, and
Source Files



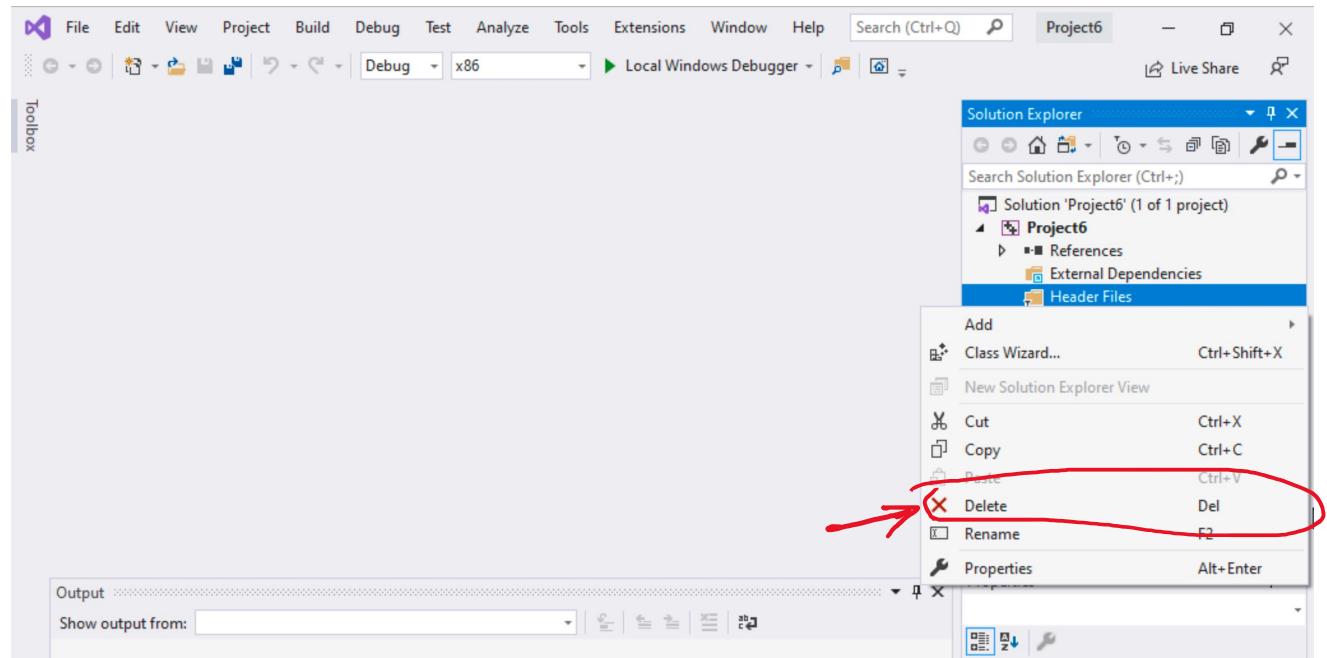
Step 1: Create a project (5)

To delete :

Select the folders

Right click on it

Select delete



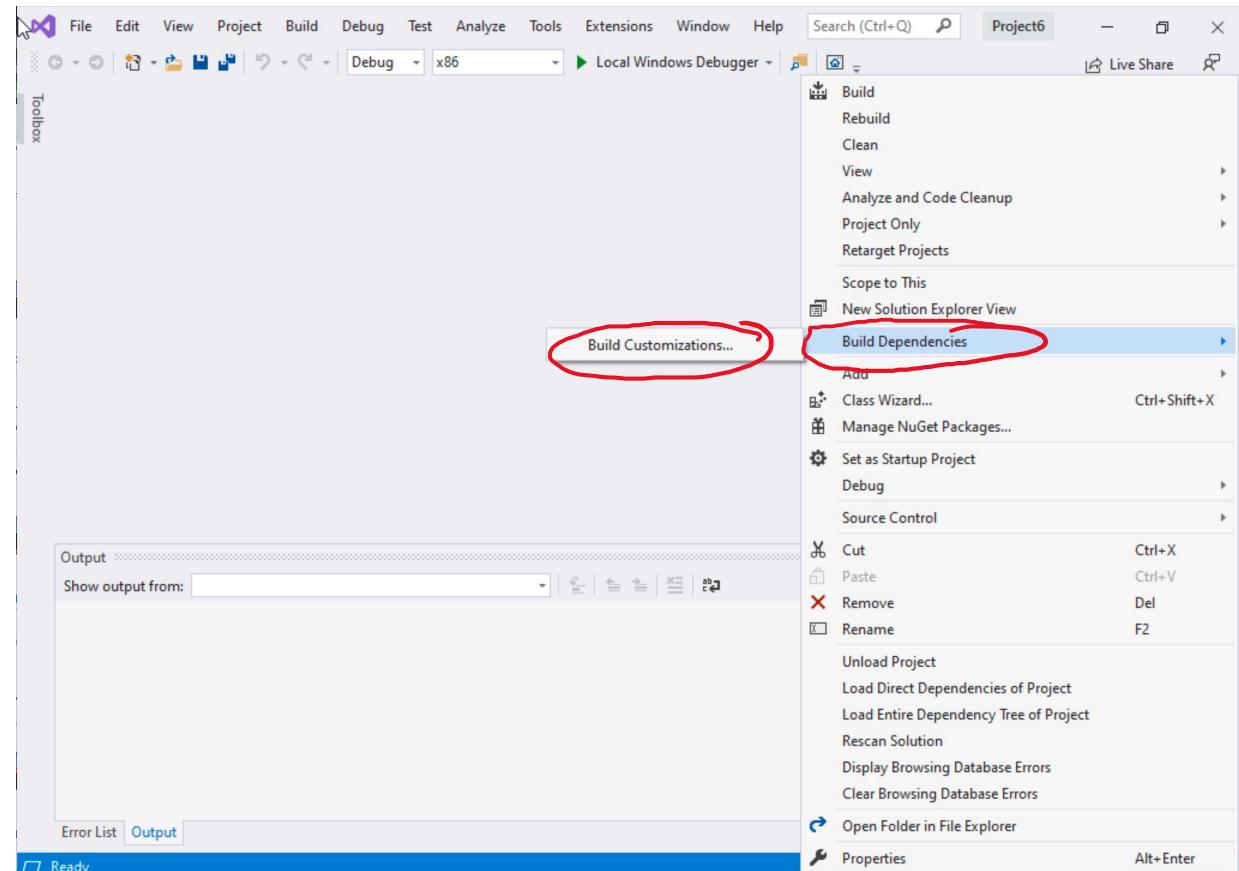
Step 1: Create a project (6)

Select Project Name on solution explorer

Right click on it

Go to Build Dependencies

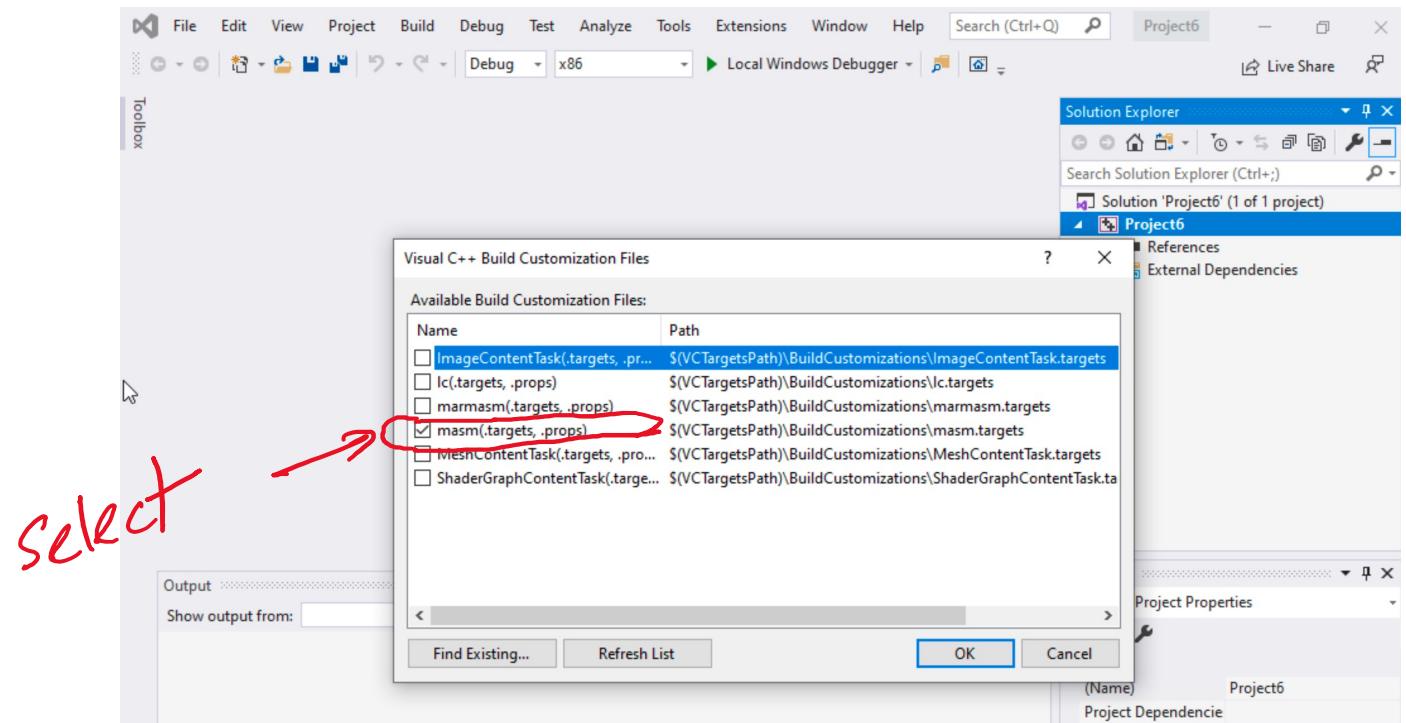
Click on Build Customizations



Step 1: Create a project (7)

Select masm(.target, .props)

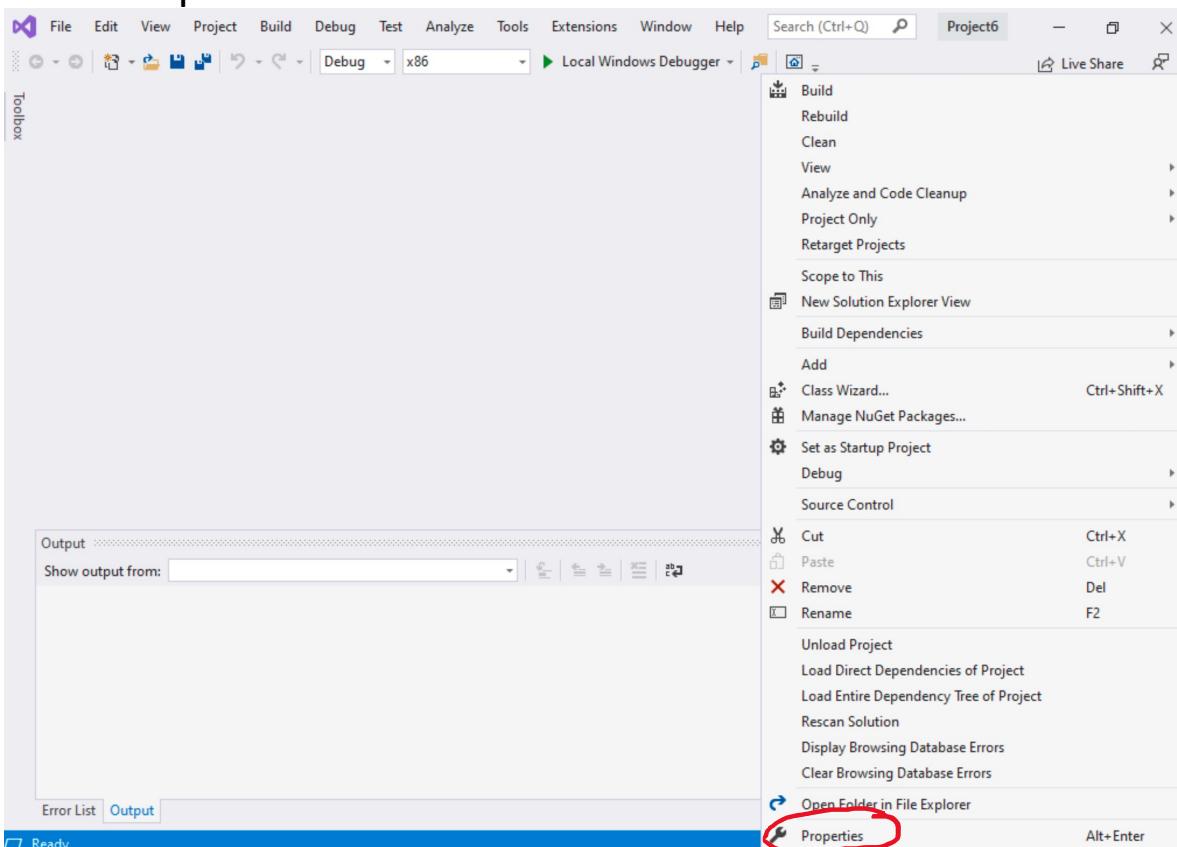
Click ok



Step 1: Create a project (8)

Right click on the Project name in the solution explorer

Click properties



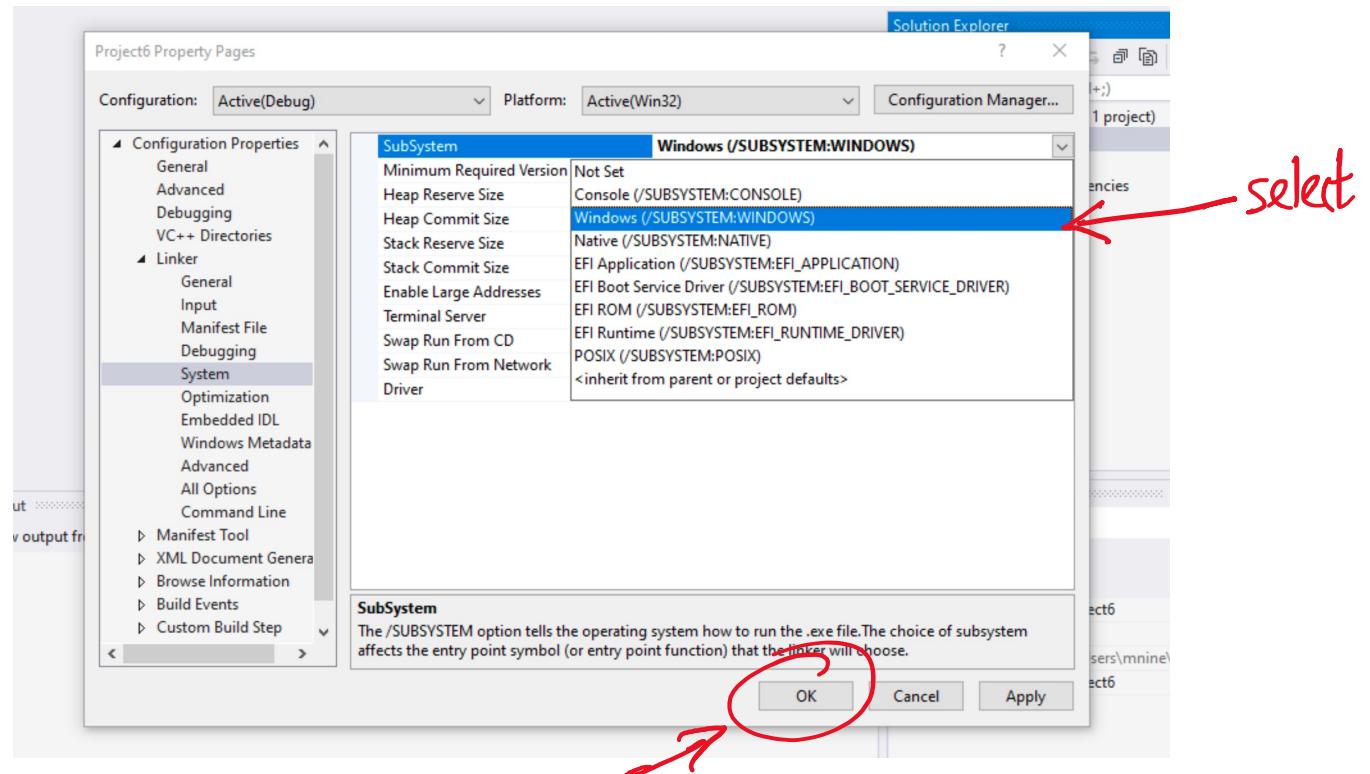
Step 1: Create a project (9)

Expand the 'Linker'

Select 'System'

Select Windows(/SUBSYSTEM:WINDOWS)

Click OK



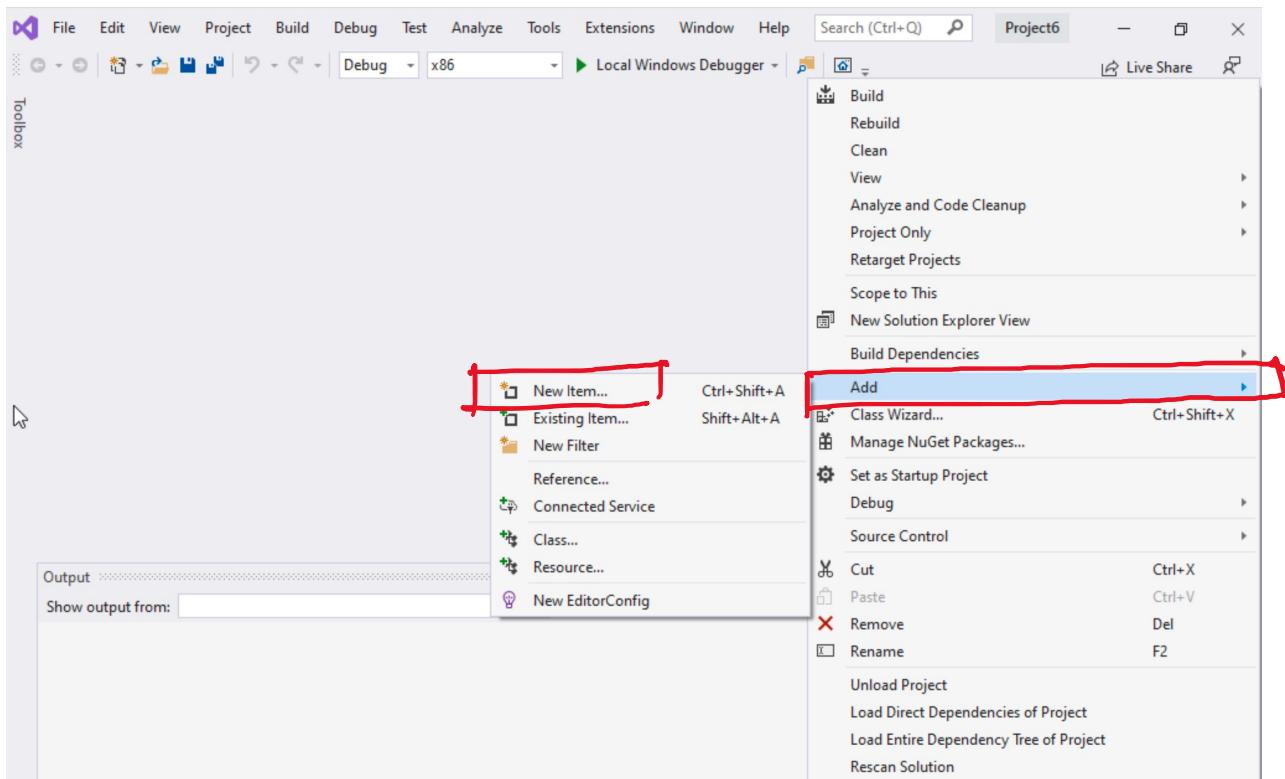
Step 1: Create a project (10)

Select Project name on solution explorer

Right click on it

Expand Add

Choose New Item

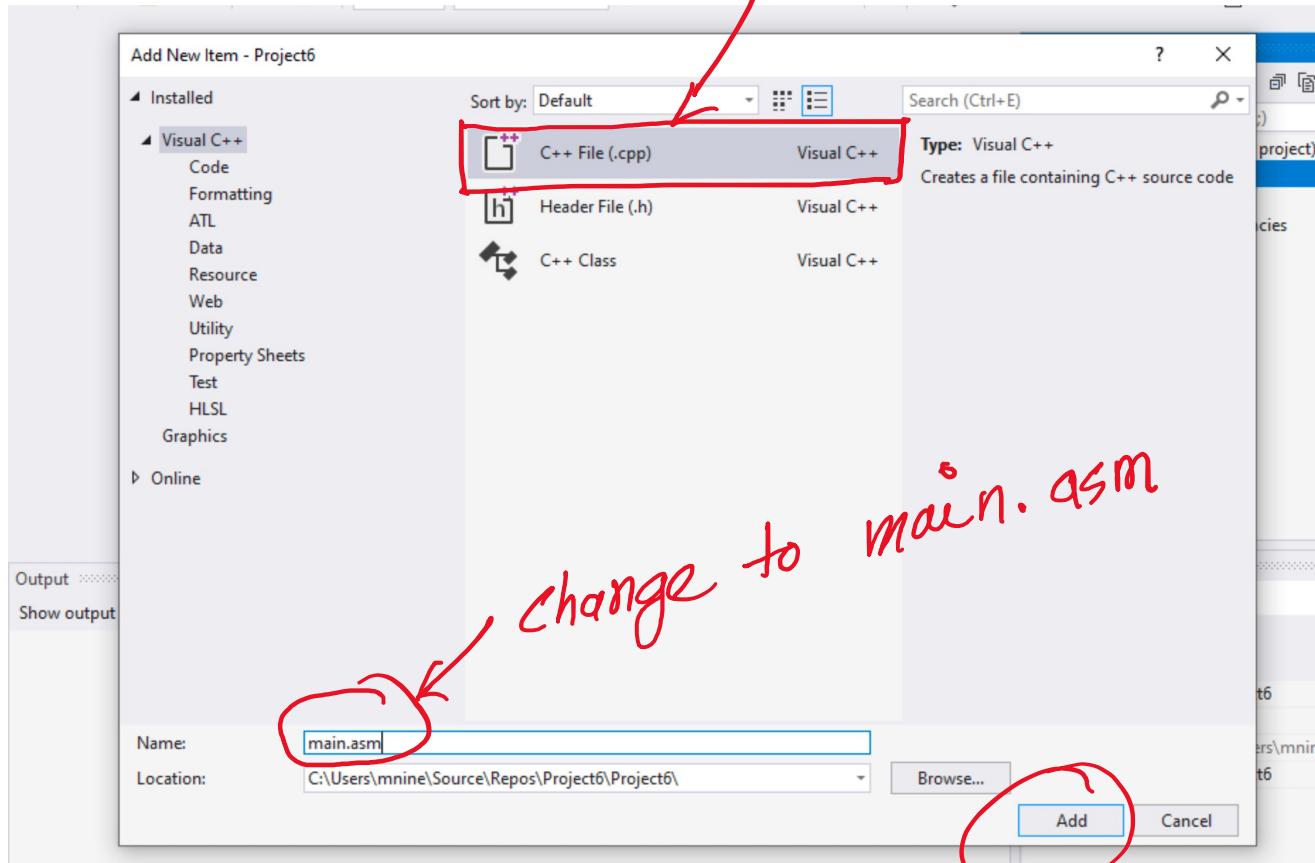


Step 1: Create a project (11)

Select C++ File(.cpp)

Name: main.asm

Click Add



Step 1: Create a project (12)

Select main.asm

Add your code

In the main.asm File.

*add
your code
here*

