



Workshop: Introduction to LibreOffice Development

Building LibreOffice from source code

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Topics

Building LibreOffice from source code

- Prerequisites for Setting up development environment
 - Windows / Linux / macOS
- Getting sources
- Configuring
- Compiling
- Running LibreOffice
- Running SDK examples
- Generating documentation



Setting up development environment



Build instructions

Build instructions

- Follow the instructions on the Wiki
- Platform specific build instructions
 - https://wiki.documentfoundation.org/Development/How_to_build
- Make sure you use the correct build instructions
 - Installing prerequisites
 - Getting sources
 - Configuring
 - Compiling
- Running LibreOffice



Installing dependencies

Manual or using distro tools?

- You have to install several libraries and tools
- Some of them are installed using make
- Others have to be installed manually or using distro tools
 - Cygwin on Windows
 - apt on Ubuntu
 - Inf or yum on RHEL / CentOS
 - pacman on Arch
 - zypper on openSUSE



Linux prerequisites

Building LibreOffice on Linux and *BSD systems

- Dependent on the distribution
 - DEB based: Debian, Ubuntu, mint, etc.
 - RPM based: Red Hat (RHEL), Fedora, openSUSE
 - Other distros: Arch Linux, Slackware, etc.
 - **BSD**
- Distro specific instructions are in the Wiki https://wiki.documentfoundation.org/Development/BuildingOnLinux



Using LODE

LODE: LibreOffice Development Environment

Downloads, builds and installs the prerequisites

When it is needed?

- Suggested for Windows and macOS
- Suggested for some older versions of Linux

Notes

- You can use distro tools for newer versions of Ubuntu and RHEL
- You have to install MSVC, SDK and JDK yourself (Windows)
- You have to install compiler and JDK yourself (Older Linux distros)



Windows Prerequisites

C++ Compiler

Visual Studio 2019 / 2022 with C++ and specific packages

Java

■ JDK >= 17 from Oracle / Microsoft / Red Hat / etc.

Cygwin

cygwin.com

Several other dependencies, if building manually



Linux Prerequisites

g++

Java development kit (JDK) JDK >= 17

Dependencies

- Ubuntu: ./install_deps.sh
 - apt-get build-dep libreoffice may not work with older versions
- **RHEL/CentOS:** dnf builddep libreoffice

Recommended way to install dependencies

Use distro tools for most of them



MacOS Prerequisites

- XCode from App Store
- Java development kit (JDK)
 JDK >= 17
- Recommended way to install dependencies
 Use LODE
- Use current XCode on the current macOS version



Building on Different Operating Systems



General Compile Instructions

- General instructions (please follow the Wiki for more details)
 Install the prerequisites
 - Get the source: git clone https://git.libreoffice.org/core
 - You need an autogen.input file for the configuration
 - Suggestion: --enable-dbgutil --enable-odk --without-doxygen --enable-python=fully-internal
 - Configure with ./autogen.sh
 - Build by invoking make
 - Then, wait for a few hours :-)
 - Run the program

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- instdir/program/soffice (Windows/Linux)
- open instdir/LibreOfficeDev.app (macOS)

Integrated Development Environment (IDE)

Usable IDEs

- Visual Studio Code (VSCode)
- Microsoft Visual Studio:
- Microsoft Visual Studio Code:
- Qt Creator:
- KDevelop:
- Vim
- Xcode

make vs-ide-integration make vscode-ide-integration make qtcreator-ide-integration make kdevelop-ide-integration make vim-ide-integration make xcode-ide-integration

• Open the project after it was created!



You are good to go!

- Open your IDE
- Open the project
- Auto-complete should work and help the development
- Debug is another important useful feature needed for the real development
- Build from IDE works for some IDE/platforms

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