
Subject: Re: ultimate++ is a source only library?
Posted by [dolik.rce](#) on Fri, 08 Nov 2013 10:33:59 GMT
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Welcome to the forum un00b

un00b wrote on Fri, 08 November 2013 09:55I just installed ultimate++ using the upp-win32-5485.exe installer.

I didn't run the installer with admin privilege, so at the end of the installation an error message pops up asking me to rerun the installer with the privilege.

But even without doing that I found that TheIDE was able to launch and compile the example using my TDM-GCC compiler.

My guess is that the admin privilege is only needed to register something, create start menu items and/or similar things. In fact, the folders with theide can be just copied from one computer to another and it still works

un00b wrote on Fri, 08 November 2013 09:55However, when digging into the installed directory, I found no .lib or .dll. All I found is sources and headers under uppsrc. Is upp a source only API?Yes, there is no library, only the sources. They are compiled and statically linked right into your executables, so you don't have to distribute them along with your software. Also only necessary parts of the library are used and distributed, resulting in smaller file sizes.

un00b wrote on Fri, 08 November 2013 09:55Is that why it works across multiple compiler in one go?

All the compiler and/or platform specific code is in the same sources. So yes, you could say that distributing only the sources helps this

un00b wrote on Fri, 08 November 2013 09:55I also notice that the setup dialog box of TheIDE didn't show VS2012 and VS2013. But I'm thinking if it is source only, then it should also work with VS2012/13. Correct?There is some additional magic that TheIDE needs to do to compile the sources using VS, like what switches to use etc. This sometimes takes some time, but I think VS2012 support is being worked on or perhaps it is already done. The last release version you used is already quite old, I'd suggest you'd try to install the latest nightly package from here: <http://www.ultimatepp.org/downloads/>

Best regards,
Honza
