



# Installing OpenCV for Python on Windows using Anaconda

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# Step 1: download installer

- Please go to <https://www.anaconda.com/distribution/>

## Anaconda 2019.10 for Windows Installer

### Python 3.7 version

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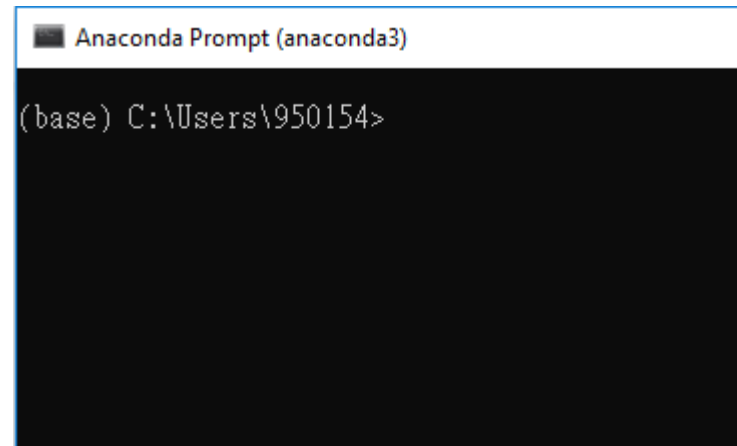
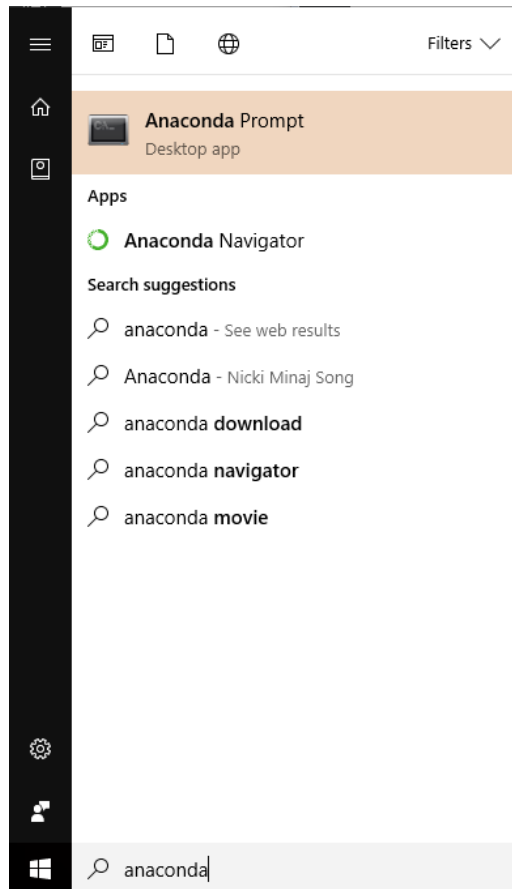
### Python 2.7 version

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# Step 2: launch Anaconda Prompt after installation is finished



## Step 3: create a separate environment to install OpenCV

- Please install OpenCV in a separate environment, which would eliminate a lot of potential issues
- Please execute the following commands  
*conda create — name opencv\_new*  
*activate opencv\_new*
- Then you could start to install OpenCV in this isolated environment

```
(opencv_new) C:\Users\950154>
```

## Step 4: Let's install opencv

```
(opencv) C:\Users\950154>conda install -c conda-forge opencv
```

The following NEW packages will be INSTALLED:

ca-certificates	conda-forge/win-64::ca-certificates-2019.11.28-hecc5488_0
certifi	conda-forge/win-64::certifi-2019.11.28-py38_0
freetype	conda-forge/win-64::freetype-2.10.0-h563cfd7_1
icu	conda-forge/win-64::icu-64.2-he025d50_1
intel-openmp	pkgs/main/win-64::intel-openmp-2019.4-245
jpeg	conda-forge/win-64::jpeg-9c-hfa6e2cd_1001
libblas	conda-forge/win-64::libblas-3.8.0-14_mkl
libcbblas	conda-forge/win-64::libcbblas-3.8.0-14_mkl
libclang	conda-forge/win-64::libclang-9.0.1-default_hf44288c_0
liblapack	conda-forge/win-64::liblapack-3.8.0-14_mkl
liblapacke	conda-forge/win-64::liblapacke-3.8.0-14_mkl
libopencv	conda-forge/win-64::libopencv-4.2.0-py38_2
libpng	conda-forge/win-64::libpng-1.6.37-h7602738_0
libtiff	conda-forge/win-64::libtiff-4.1.0-h21b02b4_3
libwebp	conda-forge/win-64::libwebp-1.0.2-hfa6e2cd_5
lz4-c	conda-forge/win-64::lz4-c-1.8.3-he025d50_1001
mkl	pkgs/main/win-64::mkl-2019.4-245
numpy	conda-forge/win-64::numpy-1.17.5-py38hc71023c_0
opencv	conda-forge/win-64::opencv-4.2.0-py38_2
openssl	conda-forge/win-64::openssl-1.1.1d-hfa6e2cd_0
pip	conda-forge/win-64::pip-20.0.2-py38_1
py-opencv	conda-forge/win-64::py-opencv-4.2.0-py38h5ca1d4c_2
python	conda-forge/win-64::python-3.8.1-helf5543_2
qt	conda-forge/win-64::qt-5.12.5-h7eflec2_0
setuptools	conda-forge/win-64::setuptools-45.1.0-py38_0
sqlite	conda-forge/win-64::sqlite-3.30.1-hfa6e2cd_0
vc	pkgs/main/win-64::vc-14.1-h0510ff6_4
vs2015_runtime	pkgs/main/win-64::vs2015_runtime-14.16.27012-hf0eaf9b_1
wheel	conda-forge/win-64::wheel-0.34.2-py38_0
wincertstore	conda-forge/win-64::wincertstore-0.2-py38_1003
xz	conda-forge/win-64::xz-5.2.4-h2fa13f4_1001
zlib	conda-forge/win-64::zlib-1.2.11-h2fa13f4_1006
zstd	conda-forge/win-64::zstd-1.4.4-hd8a0e53_1

Proceed ([y]/n)?

## Step 5: Let's check OpenCV version

```
(opencv_new) C:\Users\950154>python
Python 3.8.1 | packaged by conda-forge | (default, Jan 29 2020, 14:24:10) [MSC v.1916 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import cv2
>>> print(cv2.__version__)
4.2.0
>>> exit()

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```

# Step 6: Let's execute the testing script

