Installation of Ipopt and sIpopt in Windows via Cygwin using GNU compilers

This document provides a procedural description of how to build the AMPL solver executables (**ipopt.exe** and **ipopt_sens.exe**) in Cygwin for general use in Windows Operating System. Illustration on how to hook each solver to solve a given problem ensues. This installation process is illustrated through the following categorized sequence of steps or sections:

1 Installation Steps

There are various ways of installing IPOPT on Windows OS which can be found on the website (https://www.coin-or.org/Ipopt/documentation/documentation.html). This documentation focuses on Cygwin using GNU compilers and a subversion client to download the IPOPT code. The steps/sections are listed as follows:

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Installation Steps

1. Cygwin Installation

The required setup executable file can be sourced from the website http://www.cygwin.com. On the homepage, click on install Cygwin and select setup-x86 64-exe or setup-x86 setup-x8



Figure 1: Cygwin installation

• Double-click the setup file to run, the dialog box in Figure 2 will appear. Click on Next and then select 'Install from Internet'.



Figure 2 : Cygwin setup pop-up box

- i. Select a directory where Cygwin will be installed (C:\Program Files\cywin64)
- ii. Select Use System Proxy Settings (default) and click Next.
- Here you have to choose a mirror download site from the list shown in Figure 3. It is advised to choose a site close to you (e.g. choose http://cygwin.osuosl.org for Oregon and http://cygwin.mirrors.hoobly.com for Pennsylvania). Details on mirror sites can be found on https://www.cygwin.com/mirrors.html.

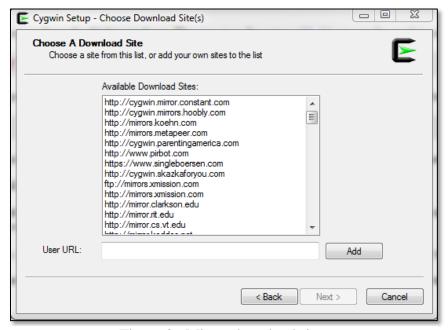
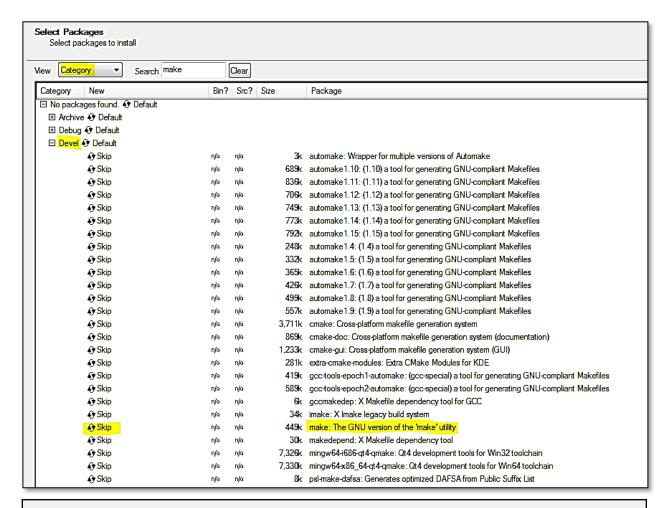


Figure 3: Mirror download sites

- Now is the time to select the packages carefully (Figure 4). There are basic packages selected by default for installation. However, the compilers need to be chosen. Ensure to select GNU compilers (for Fortran, C, & C++), subversion and additional tools. You can use the search field to select the following packages under the corresponding listed categories:
 - i. Devel
 - Make utility (Highly recommended)
 - gcc4
 - gcc4-fortran
 - pkg-config
 - subversion (will also be tested)
 - ii. Archive –unzip
 - iii. Web-wget
 - iv. Utils:patch



Toggle the skip to version number. There is no harm in selecting the auto-make files. Click next when done selecting the packages. Click next again to resolve dependencies. Caveat: Note that some sites have outdated packages that may not work. A test to ensure the packages from a site are functioning will be done at the end of the installation. If the test fails, run the setup file again to install the packages from another mirror site. The site from Pennsylvania is a good first guess.

Figure 4: Package selection

Click Finish.

Congratulations! You are ready to get a feel of Linux in Windows

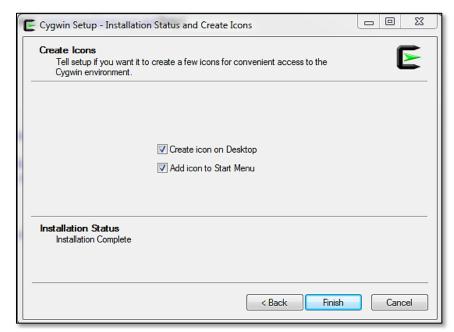


Figure 5: Cygwin installtion completed

- Test the Installation
 - i. Navigate to the Cygwin.bat file (C:\Program Files\Cygwin64\cygwin.bat) and click on it to open the Cygwin Terminal.
 - ii. Type the command:
 - \$ which make
 - If it returns no such file, then click the setup file and choose another mirror site to install the packages. But if it returns a location of the make file (/usr/bin/make) Congratulations!
 - Do same same with svn:
 - \$ which svn
 - iii. You may need to install the listed packages from different mirror sites. The setupx86_64.exe (in this case for windows 64) is used for updating packages.

2. Subversion Client Installation (SVN)

There are various SVN clients (http://subversion.apache.org.) however TortoiseSVN is recommended.

i. From the website http://tortoisesvn.tigris.org/, click on download and save the file. Follow all instructions, (click Next) and then Finish.



Figure 6: TortoiseSVN installation

- ii. Create a new folder in C drive and rename it to SVN (C:\SVN)
- iii. Right click on the folder and select tortoiseSVN (Figure 6) and select create repository here. Now click Ok. Congratulations once again, you have installed SVN and initialized a local repository.

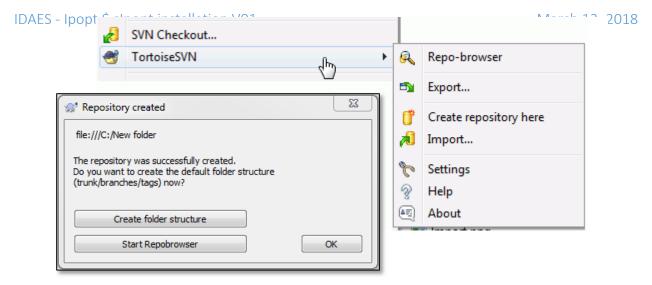


Figure 7: Creating TortoiseSVN repository and intialization

3. IPOPT Code Download

- i. Navigate to the Cygwin.bat file (C:\Program Files\Cygwin64\cygwin.bat) and double-click to open the Cygwin Terminal
- ii. Test to see if the installed SVN handles "https" scheme. Type the following in the Cygwin Terminal:

```
$ svn --version
```

iii. Find out the stable version of IPOPt to install by entering the following command in the Cygwin terminal:

\$ svn list https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Ipopt/releases

Select the largest number. (as shown in the following picture)

iv. Download the code from the repository into a new folder 'CoinIpopt' with the command:

\$ svn checkout https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Ipopt/releases/3.12.9 CoinIpopt

v. This can be updated when there is a new release by navigating to this folder and entering the command:

\$ svn switch https://projects.coin-or.org/svn/Ipopt/releases/3.12.9

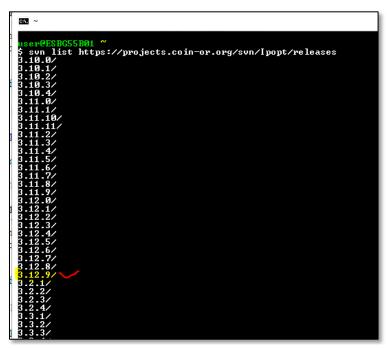


Figure 8: Ipopt stable releases (time of writing this document)

4. Third-Party or External Code Installation

Blas, Lapack, ASL, Mumps and Metis will be downloaded. Details about them can be found on the website.

i. Navigate to the folder "ThirdParty" with the command:

```
$ cd CoinIpopt/ThirdParty
```

(you can check your current directory [pwd] and check the folders it contains [ls -la])

ii. Get Blas, Lapack and ASL with the command:

```
$ cd Blas; ./get.Blas; cd ./Lapack; ./get.Lapack; cd ../ASL; ./get.ASL
```

iii. Get Mumps and Metis:

```
$ cd../Mumps; ./get.Mumps; cd ../Metis; ./get.Metis; cd ../..
```

Congratulations if all went well!

5. Compiling and Installing IPOP

i. Create a folder called build in CoinIpopt folder (i.e CoinIpopt\build) with the command:

```
$ mkdir build
```

(ensure you are in C:\CoinIpopt)

ii. Navigate into the build folder

```
$ cd build
```

iii. Enter the command to compile Ipopt:

```
$ ../configure
```

The configuration takes a couple of minutes . It should end with the message:

"Configure: Main configuration of ipopt successful"

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config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Cpp/2-nistake/Makefile config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Cpp/3-solution/Makefile config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Cpp/3-solution/Makefile config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Matlab/3-solution/startup.n config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Matlab/3-solution/startup.n config.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Fortran/1-skeleton/IutorialFortran.nfg.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Fortran/1-skeleton/IutorialFortran.nfg.status: creating tutorial/CodingExercise/Fortran/2-nistake/TutorialFortran.nff.

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Figure 9 : Snippet of a successful Ipopt configuration

iv. Next enter:

\$ make

The last output should be:

"Make [1]: Leaving directory 'home/...../CoinIpopt/build'"
See below.

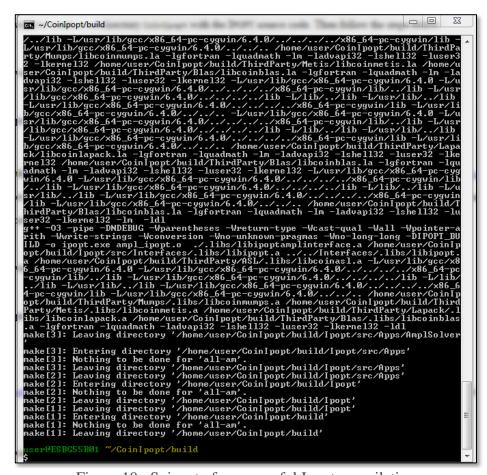


Figure 10: Snippet of a successful Ipopt compilation

v. Next enter:

\$ make test

The output screen:

"tests passed for AMPL, C++, C and Fortran example"

vi. Finally, copy the generated libraries and the executable (ipopt.exe) to CoinIpopt/build/bin with the command:

\$ make install



Figure 11: Snippet of a successful Installation Test

6. sIPOPT Installation

i. Navigate to the folder CoinIpopt/build/Ipopt/contrib/sIpopt. Assuming your current working directory is still build, enter the command:

```
$ cd /Ipopt/contrib/sIpopt
```

ii. Enter the command:

\$ make

iii. Next enter the command:

```
$ make install
```

This will generate ipopt_sens.exe and copy it to \CoinIpopt\build\bin.

7. Ipopt.exe and Ipopt_sens.exe test

To test the Ample executables in Windows environment, it is good to run them on the Windows command line and fix any problem that may arise (e.g. path variable settings or missing Cygwin1.dll)

- i. Add the location of the Ample executables (C:/Cygwin/CoinIpopt/build/bin) to path.
- ii. Open the command line and run ipopt.exe. You should get the output below:
- iii. Run also the ipopt_sens.exe and obtain the same output. Now we are ready to hook these solvers to our code!

```
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\user\ipopt.exe
No stub!
usage: ipopt [options] stub [-AMPL] [\lassignment\rangle ...]

Options:

-- \langle (end of options)
-- \langle (show name= possibilities)
-- \langle (show usage)
--bf \langle (read boundsfile f)
-- \langle (suppress echoing of assignments)
--of \langle (write .sol file to file f)
-- \langle (write .sol file \langle without -AMPL)\rangle
-- \langle (just show version)

C:\Users\user\ipopt_sens.exe
No stub!
usage: ipopt [options] stub [-AMPL] [\langle (assignment \rangle ...]

Options:
-- \langle (end of options)
-- \langle (show name= possibilities)
-- \langle (show name= possibilities)
-- \langle (show usage)
--bf \langle (read boundsfile f)
-- \langle (suppress echoing of assignments)
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Figure 12: Test of AMPL executables on windows command line

Example

Figure 13 shows the example in the sIpopt Reference Manual while the output file showing the result of the problem is shown in figure 14.

```
from pyomo.environ import
    from pyomo.opt import SolverFactory
   m = ConcreteModel()
   m.i = Set(initialize=[1, 2, 3])
8 init_vals = {1:25E+07, 2:0.0, 3:0.0}
10 m.x = Var(m.i, initialize=init_vals)
11 #: Objective

12 m.oF = Objective(rule=(m.x[1] - 1.0)**2 + (m.x[2] - 2.0)**2 + (m.x[3] - 3.0)**2, sense=minimize)
14 m.c1 = Constraint(expr=m.x[1] + 2 * m.x[2] + 3 * m.x[3] == 0.0)
15
16 #: sipopt suffix
17 m.red_hessian = Suffix(direction=Suffix.EXPORT)
18 #:suffix ordering
19 m.x[2].set_suffix_value(m.red_hessian, 1)
20 m.x[3].set_suffix_value(m.red_hessian, 2)
21
22 #specify path for solver
23 exe = r"C:\Cygwin64\home\user\CoinIpopt\build\bin\ipopt_sens"
24 opt = SolverFactory('ipopt_sens',executable=exe)
25 #: set options ipopt_sens
26 with open('ipopt.opt', 'w') as f:
        f.write('compute_red_hessian yes\n') #: computes the reduced hessian
f.write('output_file my_ouput.txt\n') #: obtain the output
27
28
29
        f.close()
30 #: Solve
31 opt.solve(m, tee=True)
```

Figure 13: Snippet of sIpopt usage in Pyomo

```
*********************************
 4
   This program contains Ipopt, a library for large-scale nonlinear optimization.
 5
   Ipopt is released as open source code under the Eclipse Public License (EPL).
          For more information visit http://projects.coin-or.org/Ipopt
 7
    **************************
8
   This is Ipopt version 3.12.9, running with linear solver mumps.
10
   NOTE: Other linear solvers might be more efficient (see Ipopt documentation).
11
12
   Number of nonzeros in equality constraint Jacobian...:
13
   Number of nonzeros in inequality constraint Jacobian .:
14
   Number of nonzeros in Lagrangian Hessian.....
                                                       0
15
16
   Total number of variables.....
17
                 variables with only lower bounds:
18
                 variables with lower and upper bounds:
19
                    variables with only upper bounds:
20
   Total number of equality constraints.....
21
   Total number of inequality constraints.....
22
     inequality constraints with only lower bounds:
23
     inequality constraints with lower and upper bounds:
24
         inequality constraints with only upper bounds:
25
26
   iter
          objective
                     inf pr
                           inf du lg(mu) ||d|| lg(rg) alpha du alpha pr ls
     0 6.2500000e+16 2.50e+08 0.00e+00 -1.0 0.00e+00 - 0.00e+00 0.00e+00
27
28
     1 6.2500000e+16 0.00e+00 5.36e+03 -1.0 5.36e+07 -4.0 1.00e+00 1.00e+00h 1
29
     2 6.2500000e+16 0.00e+00 0.00e+00 -1.0 2.78e-09 -4.5 1.00e+00 1.00e+00
30
31
   Number of Iterations....: 2
32
33
                                 (scaled)
                                                     (unscaled)
   Objective.....: 6.249999950000008e+16 6.249999950000008e+16
34
   35
   36
37
   38
   Overall NLP error....: 0.00000000000000e+00 0.000000000000000e+00
39
40
41
   Number of objective function evaluations
42
   Number of objective gradient evaluations
43
   Number of equality constraint evaluations
44
   Number of inequality constraint evaluations
45
   Number of equality constraint Jacobian evaluations = 3
46
   Number of inequality constraint Jacobian evaluations = 0
47
   Number of Lagrangian Hessian evaluations
                                        = 2
48
   Total CPU secs in IPOPT (w/o function evaluations)
                                                     0.000
49
   Total CPU secs in NLP function evaluations
                                                     0.000
50
51
   EXIT: Optimal Solution Found.
52
53
   DenseSymMatrix "RedHessian unscaled" of dimension 2 (only lower triangular part printed):
54
   RedHessian unscaled[ 0, 0]= 6.4285714285714290e+04
                            0]=-3.8571428571428572e+04
55
   RedHessian unscaled[
                       1,
                            1]= 3.2142857142857145e+04
56
   RedHessian unscaled[
                     1.
```

Figure 14: Output file for sIpopt problem in Pyomo

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