Installation Guide for

zTree

Slides and Concept by Dennis Kubitza

briq Institute on Behavior & Inequality

26. April 2018

- 1 Installation
 - Supported Systems
 - Obtaining z-Tree
 - Installation
 - Verification
 - Closing zTree and zLeaf

- 1 Installation
 - Supported Systems
 - Obtaining z-Tree
 - Installation
 - Verification
 - Closing zTree and zLeaf

Step 0: Supported Systems

zTree is build and compiled to run natively on Windows-Systems. Nevertheless it is possible to run it with **Linux** and **MacOS**. If you want to use it under **Windows** skip the following steps and continue at Slide 9:

There are 2 possible solutions:

■ Use https://www.winehq.org/ to *emulate* a Windows OS

There are 2 possible solutions:

- Use https://www.winehq.org/ to *emulate* a Windows OS
 - + Fast to operate
 - + Fast to install
 - Requires Advanced knowledge Network-Configuration, Command-Line Tools etc.
 - No guarantees that everything works

There are 2 possible solutions:

- Use https://www.winehq.org/ to emulate a Windows OS
 - + Fast to operate
 - + Fast to install
 - Requires Advanced knowledge Network-Configuration, Command-Line Tools etc.
 - No guarantees that everything works
- Use https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads to install a Windows OS on a *virtual* machine.
 - Slower to operate
 - Requires a Windows Installation Medium
 - + Easy to Install everything
 - + Guaranteed to Work for zTree
 - + Works also for any other Windows Product
 - + Safest way for programming.

I prefer the second solution. For an advanced guide how to set up Virtual Box see this

Instructions

After the installation you can carry on with step 1:

- Supported Systems
- Obtaining z-Tree
- Installation
- Verification
- Closing zTree and zLeaf

Step 1: Obtaining z-Tree

zTree is unfortunately not an open-source software, but ...

- ... You can register for a free license at: https://www.uzh.ch/ztree/ssl-dir/index.php?action=obtain https://www.uzh.ch/ztree/ssl-dir/index.php
- ... I uploaded a version of zTree on S://support/Software/z-Tree-Version_for_Course

We will use the latest version of ztree: 4.0.20

Notice:

Never use the second version for your experiments, as it is registered on my name.

- Supported Systems
- Obtaining z-Tree
- Installation
- Verification
- Closing zTree and zLeaf

Step 2: Installation

The final installation is done in 4 steps

- Copy ztree-4_0_20.zip to the folder where you want to install it.
- 2 Right-click on the file and choose: Extract all
- 3 Double-click on zTree and accept the Firewall exceptions and minimize it.
- Double-click on zLeaf and accept the Firewall exceptions.

To minimize zLeaf press ALT + Tab.

- Supported Systems
- Obtaining z-Tree
- Installation
- Verification
- Closing zTree and zLeaf

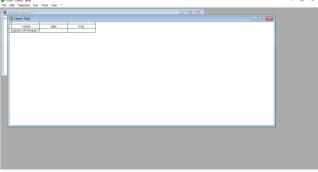
Step 3: Verify that everything works

After minimizing zLeaf you Desktop should look like this:

```
2 Tree - Untitled Treatment 1
File Edit Treatment Run Tools View ?
                                                                                                            . .
 X Untitled Treatment 1
 Background
      @ subjects
      € contracts
      @ session
      @ logfile
      Active screen
       Header
    El- [ Waitingscreen
      (in First Text
           EED Bitte warten Sie, bis das Experiment weitergeht.
                                                                                                                                                                             ^ ¢8) 🦟 1235 📮
```

Step 3: Verify that everything works

Click now on Run > Clients Table. It should look like this:



(Note: There has to be one row in the table)

- Supported Systems
- Obtaining z-Tree
- Installation
- Verification
- Closing zTree and zLeaf

Closing

To close ...

- \blacksquare ... zTree: Click on the X in the upper right corner
- ... zLeaf: Right-Click on the z-Leaf Icon in the Windows start Bar and choose
 Close Window