

MOSEK ApS

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Introduction

This guide describes how to install the MOSEK Optimization Suite.

In general **MOSEK** Optimization Suite must be installed on any computer where **MOSEK** is used and this is called a *client installation*. In addition if a *floating license* is employed then a license token server must be set up, either on the client computer or on another computer. Note that trial licenses and academic licenses are NOT floating licenses.

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Youtube	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvIyectEVLP31NXeD5mIbEw

In particular **Twitter** is used for news, updates and release announcements.

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MOSEK uses some third-party open-source libraries. Their license details follows.

zlib

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Listing 3.1: zlib license.

zlib.h -- interface of the 'zlib' general purpose compression library version 1.2.7, May 2nd, 2012

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Installation

4.1 External channels

MOSEK client can be installed from the following package managers and repositories:

• Anaconda for Python (https://anaconda.org/MOSEK/mosek):

```
conda install -c mosek mosek
```

• PIP for Python (https://pypi.org/project/Mosek/):

pip install Mosek

• Nuget.org for .NET Core (https://www.nuget.org/packages/Mosek/)

```
dotnet add package Mosek
```

Note that this only installs the client package. If you need the floating license server or the OptServer you still need to download the full distribution as described below.

4.2 General setup

This section describes how to install **MOSEK** from the full distribution packages downloaded from our website.

4.2.1 Linux

- 1. Download the Linux 64bit x86 or Linux ARM64 MOSEK Optimization Suite distribution from https://mosek.com/downloads/ and unpack it into a chosen directory.
- 2. Optionally add the path

```
<MSKHOME>/mosek/9.3/tools/platform/<PLATFORM>/bin
```

to the OS variable PATH, where <MSKHOME> is the directory where MOSEK was installed and <PLATFORM> is linux64x86 or linuxaarch64 depending on the version of MOSEK installed.

4.2.2 Mac OS

- 1. Download the MAC OS 64bit x86 **MOSEK** Optimization Suite distribution from https://mosek.com/downloads/ and unpack it into a chosen directory.
- 2. Run the command

```
python <MSKHOME>/mosek/9.3/tools/platform/osx64x86/bin/install.py
```

where <MSKHOME> is the directory where MOSEK was installed. This will set up the appropriate shared objects required when using MOSEK.

3. Optionally add the path

```
<MSKHOME>/mosek/9.3/tools/platform/osx64x86/bin
```

to the OS variable PATH.

- 4. Troubleshooting:
 - Missing otool. If running the install.py script produces errors such as:

then you need to install the command line tools, in particular otool. Depending on the OS version, this should be possible with one of the commands:

```
xcode-select --install
xcode-select --switch /Library/Developer/CommandLineTools
```

• Security exception in MacOS 10.15 (Catalina). If an attempt to run MOSEK on Mac OS 10.15 (Catalina) and later produces security exceptions (developer cannot be verified and similar) then use xattr to remove the quarantine attribute from all MOSEK executables and binaries. This can be done in one go with

```
xattr -dr com.apple.quarantine mosek
```

where mosek is the folder which contains the full MOSEK installation or MOSEK binaries. See https://themosekblog.blogspot.com/2019/12/macos-1015-catalina-mosek-installation. html for more information. If that does not help, use the system settings to allow running arbitrary unverified applications.

4.2.3 Windows, MSI installer

- 1. Make the right choice between the 32bit and 64bit versions. For instance if you plan to use **MOSEK** with 32bit Python or MATLAB the 32bit version of **MOSEK** should be selected. In general it is recommend to use the 64bit version though.
- 2. Download the Windows 32bit x86 or Windows 64bit x86 MOSEK Optimization Suite MSI installer from https://mosek.com/downloads/.
- 3. Run the installer to complete the installation.
- 4. Check that the path

```
<MSKHOME>\mosek\9.3\tools\platform\<PLATFORM>\bin
```

was added to the OS variable PATH, where <MSKHOME> is the directory where MOSEK was installed and <PLATFORM> is win64x86 or win32x86 depending on the version of MOSEK installed. This is necessary for Windows to locate the MOSEK shared libraries.

4.2.4 Windows, Manual installation

- 1. Make the right choice between the 32bit and 64bit versions. For instance if you plan to use **MOSEK** with 32bit Python or MATLAB the 32bit version of **MOSEK** should be selected. In general it is recommend to use the 64bit version though.
- 2. Download the Windows 32bit x86 or Windows 64bit x86 **MOSEK** Optimization Suite distribution from https://mosek.com/downloads/ and unpack it into a chosen directory.
- 3. Add the path

<MSKHOME>\mosek\9.3\tools\platform\<PLATFORM>\bin

to the OS variable PATH, where <MSKHOME> is the directory where MOSEK was installed and <PLATFORM> is win64x86 or win32x86 depending on the version of MOSEK installed. This is necessary for Windows to locate the MOSEK shared libraries, especially if MOSEK is to be used e.g. from MATLAB.

4.3 Setting up the License

Regardless of the method of installation, MOSEK requires a license file to run.

Token server setup

If you are using a floating license with a token server then follow the instructions in the Licensing Guide. This step is NOT required for trial and personal academic licenses in particular.

Client setup

In practice the license is contained in a file called

mosek.lic

which should typically be saved to a file called

%USERPROFILE%\mosek\mosek.lic	(Windows)
\$HOME/mosek/mosek.lic	(Linux, MacOS)

If the folder mosek in the home directory does not exists, then it should be created. The license can be tested with the program msktestlic. For further information about the license system, and other non-standard ways of setting up the license, please consult the License Guide.

4.4 Finishing up

Important:

- See the Licensing Guide if you need more advanced help setting up the license.
- For most languages and interfaces some additional steps are required. Please follow the instructions in the relevant interface documentation available from https://mosek.com/documentation/.