

Install PostgreSQL (Postgres) on Windows

Please read carefully this guide and follow the instructions in order

Installing the server:

- Go to: <https://www.enterprisedb.com/downloads/postgres-postgresql-downloads>
- Select **Postgres 10** for your computer (32 or 64 bit)
- Go to download file location
- Double click the **.exe** file
- Follow through the installation process and keep track of:
 - where you installed it,
 - the superuser (usually **postgres**),
 - the port (usually 5432),
 - the **password**
 - *It is highly recommended not to change the suggested installation values and location, and remember your password. Do not leave the password field empty.*
- Postgres requires Microsoft Visual C++, it will install it **automatically**
- Postgres automatically installs **pgAdmin**. In case you are asked, accept to install it when prompted.
- At the end of the installation Postgres may open the **Stack Builder** Wizard. No extra tools are required, so you can close it.
- **Restart** your system.

Starting the server:

- The latest installer of Postgres will install it on Windows as a Service, so it should start automatically with your computer.

Connecting to the server via Terminal:

- Open a Terminal or Command Prompt: press the Windows key and type **cmd**
- In the terminal, you can type **psql -U postgres**, and it will ask for the password you created during installation.
 - If you get the following error: "Error 0x2 starting psql.exe -U postgres", you may have to go to the location where Postgres was installed:
 - Type **cd C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\10\bin** and try again.

- It is possible to use a graphical user interface (GUI) client, however for the lab it is required to use the Terminal.
- To stop the server, simply close the window.

Use [the instantiation guide](#) to restore the imdb_100k database to practice the queries seen in lectures or the starwars database for the lab!

GUI Client for Postgres (optional):

- If you followed the installation correctly, pgAdmin should be in your system.
- You can find pgAdmin on the Windows start-up menu, open pgAdmin and, on the right-hand browser, double click in **Server > Postgres > Databases**
- You can restore the IMDB database to practice with queries from the lectures, or the eCommerce database for Lab 1, following [this guide](#).

Install Postgres on MacOS

Installing the server:

- Go to: <https://www.enterprisedb.com/downloads/postgres-postgresql-downloads>
- Select **Postgres 10** for your Mac
- The .dmg file will be downloaded
- Open the .dmg file
- Follow through the installation process and keep track of
 - where you installed it
 - the superuser (usually **postgres**)
 - the port, (usually 5432)
 - the **password**
 - *It is highly recommended not to change the suggested installation values and location, and remember your password. Do not leave the password field empty.*
- Postgres requires Microsoft Visual C++, it will install it **automatically**
- Postgres automatically installs **pgAdmin**. In case you are asked, accept to install it when prompted.
- At the end of the installation Postgres may open the **Stack Builder** Wizard. No extra tools are required, so you can close it.
- **Restart** your system.

Installing the server (with Homebrew):

- Prior [Homebrew](#) installation needed
- Type **brew install postgres**
- Make sure that Postgres starts every time your computer starts up by executing:
 - **pg_ctl -D /usr/local/var/postgres start && brew services start postgresql**
- Make sure that Postgres is installed and running by typing **postgres -V**
- Using this way of installation, **pgAdmin** will not be installed

Starting the server:

- The latest installer of Postgres will install it on MacOS as a Service, so it should start automatically with your computer.
- To stop PostgreSQL from auto starting:
sudo launchctl unload /Library/LaunchDaemons/com.edb.launchd.postgresql-10.plist
- To enable PostgreSQL to auto start:
sudo launchctl load -w /Library/LaunchDaemons/com.edb.launchd.postgresql-10.plist
- To start manually: **pg_ctl -D /usr/local/var/postgres start**
- To stop manually: **pg_ctl -D /usr/local/var/postgres stop**

Connecting to the server:

- Press **cmd+spacebar** and type **psql** and hit return
- On the postgres shell opened type the following:
 - **Server [localhost]: localhost**
 - **Database [postgres]: postgres**
 - **Port [5432]: 5432**
 - **Username [postgres]: postgres**
 - **Password: *the password you created during installation***
- Then, you should be able to use postgres for typing queries!
- It is possible to use a graphical user interface (GUI) client, however for the lab it is required to use the Terminal.
- If you have used the Homebrew installation guide, then you can simply type in your command line **psql postgres**

Use [the instantiation guide](#) to restore the *imdb_100k* database to practice the queries seen in lectures or the *starwars* database for the lab!

GUI Client for Postgres (optional):

- If you followed the installation correctly (not the Homebrew one), pgAdmin should be in your system.
- You can find pgAdmin in your programs, open pgAdmin and, on the right-hand browser, double click in **Server > Postgres > Databases**
- You can restore the IMDB database to practice with queries from the lectures, or the starwars database for Lab 2.