

## **A Manual for installing FASTCORE, COBRA Toolbox V3 & IBM CPLEX 12.9 for Windows 10**

**Windows version:** 10.0.19042 Build 19042

### **1- Installing MATLAB**

Version: 2021b

MATLAB toolboxes are checked during installing:

Bioinformatics Toolbox (required)  
Curve Fitting Toolbox (required)  
Optimization Toolbox  
Parallel Computing Toolbox  
Signal Processing Toolbox  
SimBiology  
Statistics and Machine Learning Toolbox  
Symbolic Math Toolbox

### **2- Installing CPLEX Optimization Studio 12.9 :**

#### **1- Downloading CPLEX Optimization Studio 12.9 :**

- Go to <https://www.ibm.com/academic/topic/data-science>
- Register an IBM account with an academic email.
- Go back to <https://www.ibm.com/academic/topic/data-science>, and sign in with your account.
- Scroll down then click on “Software” on the Left
- Click on the arrow below “ILOG CPLEX Optimization Studio“
- Click on “Download”
- Click on “Search for Software” on the left side.
- Search for “IBM ILOG CPLEX Optimization Studio 12.9.0 for Windows x86-64 Multilingual”
- Click on “HTTP”, then click on the checkbox for the Windows version.
- Choose “I agree”, then “Download Now”

#### **2- Install CPLEX pre-requisites:**

- a. The latest Git for Windows:  
<https://git-scm.com/download/win>
- b. Visual Studio for Windows:  
<https://visualstudio.microsoft.com/>
- c. Oracle Java SDK/JRE/JDK

For Windows pre-requisites, check: <https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/detailed-system-requirements-ibm-ilog-cplex-optimization-studio#1290>

#### **3- Install the CPLEX from the downloaded installer:**

So check the parent folder manually (**C:\Program Files\IBM\ILOG\CPLEX\_Studio129\cplex\bin\x64\_win64**), and if the @Cplex folder is missing, Please uninstall, then reinstall Cplex

Then run these lines in MATLAB to add the CPLEX path

```
> addpath(genpath('C:\Program
Files\IBM\ILOG\CPLEX_Studio129\cplex\matlab\x64_win64'))
> setenv('ILOG_CPLEX_PATH','C:\Program
Files\IBM\ILOG\CPLEX_Studio129\cplex\matlab\x64_win64')
```

If CPLEX is correctly installed, you should find “Cplex” command in MATLAB.

#### 4- Installing COBRA Toolbox V3:

##### 4.1. Run MATLAB as administrator

##### 4.2. Double check that the `setfield` command has only this path

“/Applications/MATLAB\_R2020a.app/toolbox/matlab/datatypes/setfield.m” by running:

```
> which -all setfield
```

If there are other paths, remove them such as these examples:

```
> rmpath('C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2021b\toolbox\finance\ftseries\')
> rmpath('C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2021b\toolbox\sl3d\sl3d\')
```

##### 4.3. Download COBRA toolbox from <https://github.com/opencobra/cobratoolbox> either using Git (Start > open Git Bash) then run

```
> git clone --depth=1 https://github.com/opencobra/cobratoolbox.git cobratoolbox
```

Or manually (not recommended):

```
> from « Code », click on “Download ZIP”
```

##### 4.4. Add Cobratoolbox folder to paths using

```
> addpath(genpath('/PATH OF THE DOWNLOADED cobratoolbox/'))
```

##### 4.5. From MATLAB, go to the downloaded “cobratoolbox” folder, then run

```
> initCobraToolbox.m
```

##### 4.6 Check if CPLEX is correctly installed and detected by the COBRA Toolbox:

by finding this line during installation “**ibm\_cplex active 1 1 1 1**”

And also “`changeCobraSolver('IBM_CPLEX')`” should return logical 1

##### 4.7. If MATLAB crashes and closes during installation, open MATLAB and run again the `initCobraToolbox.m` and you might want to doublecheck that cobratoolbox is still added to the path using `which -all initcobratoolbox`. If the command is not found, repeat step 4.4.

##### 4.8 In case of failed installation, you may need to remove *cobratoolbox* and *cplex* paths, and add them again using

```
% Restoring all default paths, please note this would remove paths for
other non-default MATLAB tools
restoredefaultpath
% Adding the CPLEX path
```

```

addpath(genpath('C:\Program
Files\IBM\ILOG\CPLEX_Studio129\cplex\matlab\x64_win64'))
setenv('ILOG_CPLEX_PATH','C:\Program
Files\IBM\ILOG\CPLEX_Studio129\cplex\matlab\x64_win64')
Cplex % should return Logical 1
% Checking if there is only this path for setfield command:
"/Applications/MATLAB_R2020a.app/toolbox/matlab/datatypes/setfield.m "
which -all setfield
% Saving permanently the new paths
savepath

```

## 5- Download FASTCORE:

Either using Git Bash:

➤ git clone <https://github.com/sysbiolux/rFASTCORMICS>

Or manually:

from « Code », click on “Download ZIP”

From MATLAB:

```
addpath(genpath('/PATH OF THE DOWNLOADED rFASTCORMICS/'))
```

If you are able to call the following functions (and more related functions) in the command window of MATLAB then the installation is done.

- fastcc\_fastcore *(from the fastcore folder)*
- fastcc\_4\_fastcormics *(from the fastcormics for microarray data folder)*
- fastcormics\_RNAseq *(from the fastcormics for RNA-seq data folder)*