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# System Requirements and First Launch

MagicPlot is a cross-platform application based on [WJava](#) technology. Starting with MagicPlot 2.9 release Java is included to the MagicPlot distributive for Windows and Mac OS X.

## Running MagicPlot on Linux/Unix

You need Java runtime environment (JRE) v. 12 or later to run MagicPlot. You can install Java using the package manager or get a free compiled copy here: <https://adoptopenjdk.net/>.

Run MagicPlot using command: `path-to-jre/bin/java -Xmx1024m -jar MagicPlot.jar`. Here -Xmx1024m means maximum heap memory usage 1024 MBytes.

## First Launch

- MagicPlot does not need any installation procedure.
- Place MagicPlot executable folder to the directory you prefer.
- MagicPlot preferences and registration data are stored in your operating system profile and are individual for each account.

## Opening Projects on Double Click

### Windows

To make Windows open your MagicPlot project files (.mppz) in MagicPlot just open context menu of one project file in Explorer and select Open With → Choose Program item. In the opened window press Browse button and choose MagicPlotPro.exe or MagicPlotStudent.exe file. Select the Always use the selected program to open this kind of file checkbox and click OK.

### Mac OS X

MagicPlot project files (.mppz) will be automatically associated with MagicPlot by your operating system.

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