Installing the Eclipse IDE

To set up your home computer to complete Java assignments, perform the following steps. If you have 64-bit Windows, see the note at the bottom of this page.

1. Install the current J2SE Development Kit by performing the following steps:

   - Go to http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html and click the Java Download button.

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   - Under "Java SE Development Kit 7uXX", accept the License Agreement and then select the version that corresponds with your operating system, x86 for 32-bit Windows and x64 for 64-bit. NOTE: If you have more than one Program Files folder on your machine, pay attention to where Java gets installed!*

   - After the file downloads, run the installer.

2. Install Eclipse IDE for Java Developers

- Go to http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/ and download "Eclipse IDE for Java Developers"
- Choose 32-bit or 64-bit depending on your version of Windows.

- Download and unzip the folder under your c: drive.
- Run c:/eclipse/eclipse.exe to open Eclipse.