# El Camino College

# How to Get Mathematica

# Student personally owned machines

Follow the directions below to download from the Wolfram User Portal.

- 1. Create an account (New users only):
  - a. Go to user.wolfram.com and click "Create Account"
  - b. Fill out form using a @elcamino.edu email, and click "Create Wolfram ID"
  - c. Check your email and click the link to validate your Wolfram ID
- 2. Request the download and key:
  - a. Fill out this form to request an Activation Key
  - b. Click the "Product Summary page" link to access your license
  - c. Click "Get Downloads" and select "Download" next to your platform
  - d. Run the installer on your machine, and enter Activation Key at prompt

## Faculty and staff personally owned machines

<u>Fill out this form</u> to request a home-use license from Wolfram.

On the form's third page, copy and paste this URL
 <a href="http://www.elcamino.edu/uportal/facsched/MainMenu.aspx">http://www.elcamino.edu/uportal/facsched/MainMenu.aspx</a> which will be used by Wolfram to verify your status as an employee of El Camino College.

*Mathematica* is currently installed in the following locations:

### Computer labs

 All general or public-access labs. Many departmental labs have Mathematica installed as well.

## **Computer clusters**

El Camino College's Mathematica license can be used for grid computing. If you
are interested in using Mathematica for parallel computing on a dedicated cluster,
or in a distributed grid environment, please let Paul Fish at Wolfram Research
know.

Mathematica can also be installed on:

# Campus machines

Follow the directions below to download software from Wolfram and request the appropriate activation key.

- 1. Create an account (New users only):
  - a. Go to user.wolfram.com and click "Create Account"
  - b. Fill out form using a @elcamino.edu email, and click "Create Wolfram ID"
  - c. Check your email and click the link to validate your Wolfram ID
- 2. Request the download and key:
  - a. Fill out this form to request an Activation Key
  - b. Click the "Product Summary page" link to access your license
  - c. Click "Get Downloads" and select "Download" next to your platform
  - d. Run the installer on your machine, and enter Activation Key at prompt

Are you interested in installing *Mathematica* elsewhere? Please let ECC's Thurman Brown in IT or Paul Fish at Wolfram Research know.

# **Mathematica** Tutorials

The first two tutorials are excellent for new users, and can be assigned to students as homework to learn *Mathematica* outside of class time.

#### • Hands-on Start to Mathematica

Follow along in *Mathematica* as you watch this multi-part screencast that teaches you the basics—how to create your first notebook, calculations, visualizations, interactive examples, and more.

#### • What's New in Mathematica 10

Provides examples to help you get started with new functionality in *Mathematica* 10, including machine learning, computational geometry, geographic computation, and device connectivity.

#### • How To Topics

Access step-by-step instructions ranging from how to create animations to basic syntax information.

#### • Learning Center

Search Wolfram's large collection of materials for example calculations or tutorials in your field of interest.

# Teaching with Mathematica

*Mathematica* offers an interactive classroom experience that helps students explore and grasp concepts, plus gives faculty the tools they need to easily create supporting course materials, assignments, and presentations.

### Resources for educators

#### • Mathematica for Teaching and Education—Free video course

Learn how to make your classroom dynamic with interactive models, explore computation and visualization capabilities in *Mathematica* that make it useful for teaching practically any subject at any level, and get best-practice suggestions for course integration.

#### How To Create a Lecture Slideshow—Video tutorial

Learn how to create a slideshow for class that shows a mixture of graphics, calculations, and nicely formatted text, with live calculations or animations.

#### • Wolfram Demonstrations Project

Download pre-built, open-code examples from a daily-growing collection of interactive visualizations, spanning a remarkable range of topics.

#### • Wolfram Training Education Courses

Access on-demand and live courses on *Mathematica*, *SystemModeler*, and other Wolfram technologies.

# Research with Mathematica

Rather than requiring different toolkits for different jobs, *Mathematica* integrates the world's largest collection of algorithms, high-performance computing capabilities, and a powerful visualization engine in one coherent system, making it ideal for academic research in just about any discipline.

### **Resources for researchers**

• Mathematica for University Research—Free video course

Explore *Mathematica*'s high-level and multi-paradigm programming language, support for parallel computing and GPU architectures, built-in functionality for specialized application areas, and multiple publishing and deployment options for sharing your work.

• <u>Utilizing HPC and Grid Computing</u>—Free video course

Learn how to create programs that take advantage of multicore machines or available clusters.

• Field-Specific Applications

Learn what areas of *Mathematica* are useful for specific fields.