

Quick Start Guide

This guide gets you started with a typical installation for IBM Rational Rhapsody.

Other language versions: To obtain the Quick Start Guide in other languages, access the PDF files on the installation DVD.

Product overview

IBM® Rational® Rhapsody® is a UML/SysML environment for the model-driven development of technical, real-time, and embedded systems and software. Enhance productivity and promote collaboration by validating the design early in the life cycle, reusing existing assets, working at the model or code level, and generating documentation that accurately represents the implementation.

1 Step 1: Access your software and documentation



Download IBM Rational Rhapsody by using Passport Advantage® on the IBM Software Support site. You can enroll online in Passport Advantage at <http://www.ibm.com/software/lotus/passportadvantage/howtoenroll.html>.

For complete documentation, including installation instructions, see the IBM Rational Rhapsody Information Center at <http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp>.

2 Step 2: Evaluate your hardware and system configuration



See the detailed system requirements document at <http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg27021998>.

3 Step 3: Obtain your Rational Rhapsody license key



To obtain your license key, see http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.rhp.installing.doc/topics/rhp_t_iu_managing_licenses.html.

4 Step 4: Install Rational Rhapsody on Windows



For information about planning the installation and about pre-installation tasks, see http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.rhp.installing.doc/topics/rhp_c_iu_installing_rational_rhapsody.html.

Note: If you have Windows 7 or Windows Vista, see the "Before you begin" section in http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.rhp.installing.doc/topics/rhp_t_iu_installing_rhp_windows.html.

To install Rational Rhapsody on a Windows system, see http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.rhp.installing.doc/topics/rhp_t_iu_installing_rhp_windows.html.

5 Step 5: Install Rational Rhapsody on Linux



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To install Rational Rhapsody on a Linux system, see http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/rhaphlp/v7r6/index.jsp?topic=/com.ibm.rhp.installing.doc/topics/rhp_t_iu_installing_rhp_linux.html.

More information



For more information, see the following resources:

- IBM Software Support for Rational Rhapsody at http://www.ibm.com/support/entry/portal/Overview/Software/Rational/Rational_Rhapsody_Product_line
- IBM Rational Rhapsody wiki at <https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/wikis/display/Rhapsody/Home>
- Technical resources, training, and best practices for Rational products at developerWorks® at <http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/rational/products/>
- IBM User Communities at <http://www.ibm.com/community/>

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