# Software

*Local and external freely-available software used in my courses.*

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## 1. Overview

The extern software described here has proved useful to me and my students. All of the software is freely-available and most of the products are portable—i.e. they work under most major operating systems such as Microsoft Windows, MacOS and various flavours of Unix.

## 2. Windows

**cygwin:**

Since the software packages recommended here are supposed to be "operating system independent", why this section of Windows-only software?

Simple! The *cygwin* package provides a Unix-like environment to be run under Microsoft Windows.

## 3. Portable

### 3.1. Basics

**Java SDK:**

Much portable software is

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**Editors:**

We all need an editor.

**jedit:**

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**Tools:**