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These instructions describe the steps required to download and install gzip on Windows 9x/NT/2000/ME/XP.

gzip is a compression utility. It produces compressed files with a .gz extension.

At the time of writing this article the current version of gzip for Windows was 1.2.4.

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program: `gzip.exe`

Download

1. In a web browser navigate to <http://www.gzip.org>.

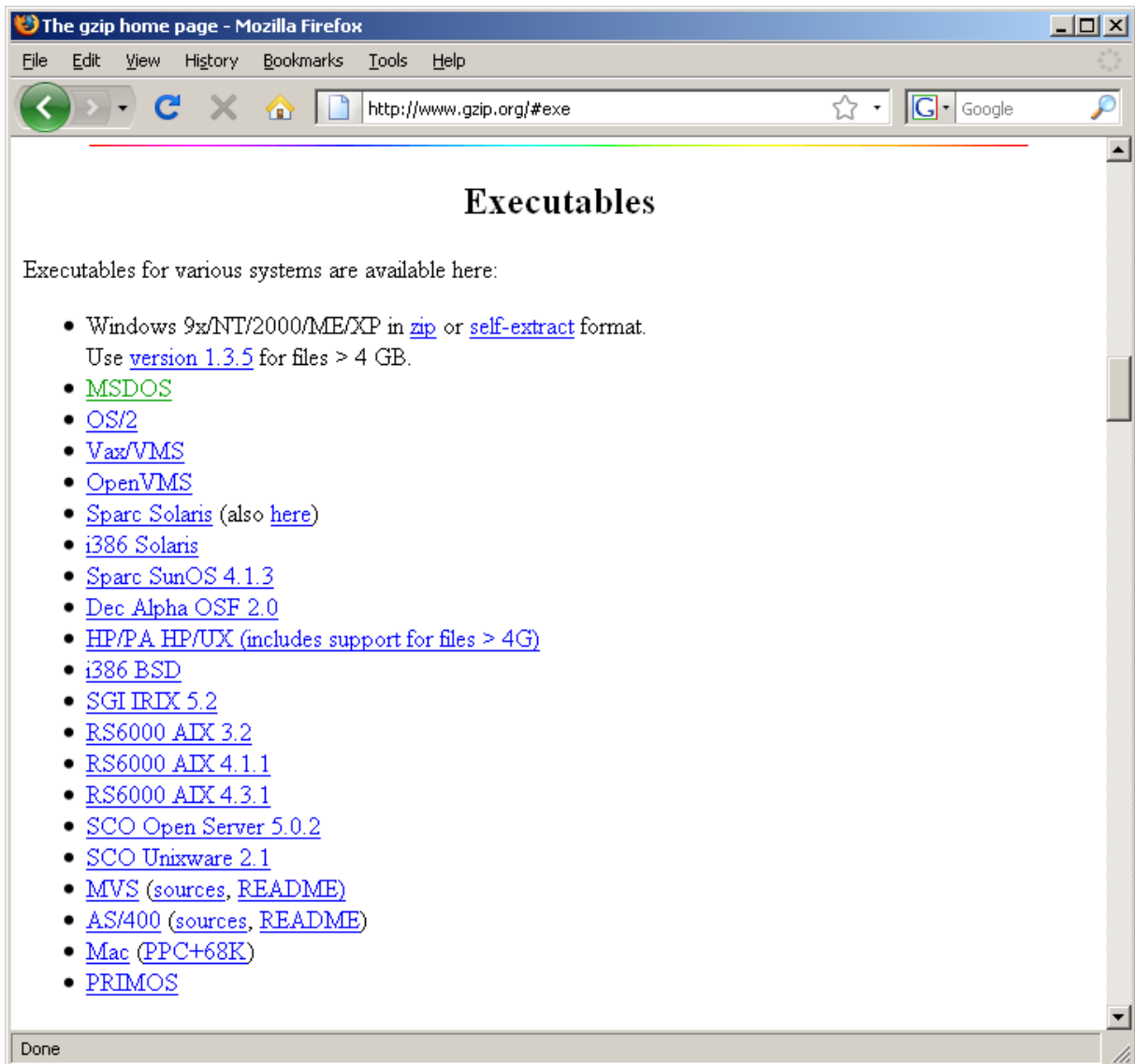
2.



From the home page, click the link for *Executables*.

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3.



From the list of executables, click the *self-extract* link for Windows 9x/NT/2000/ME/XP.

4. The installation file, named `gzip124xN.exe`, will start to download. Note the directory `gzip124xN.exe` is downloaded to.

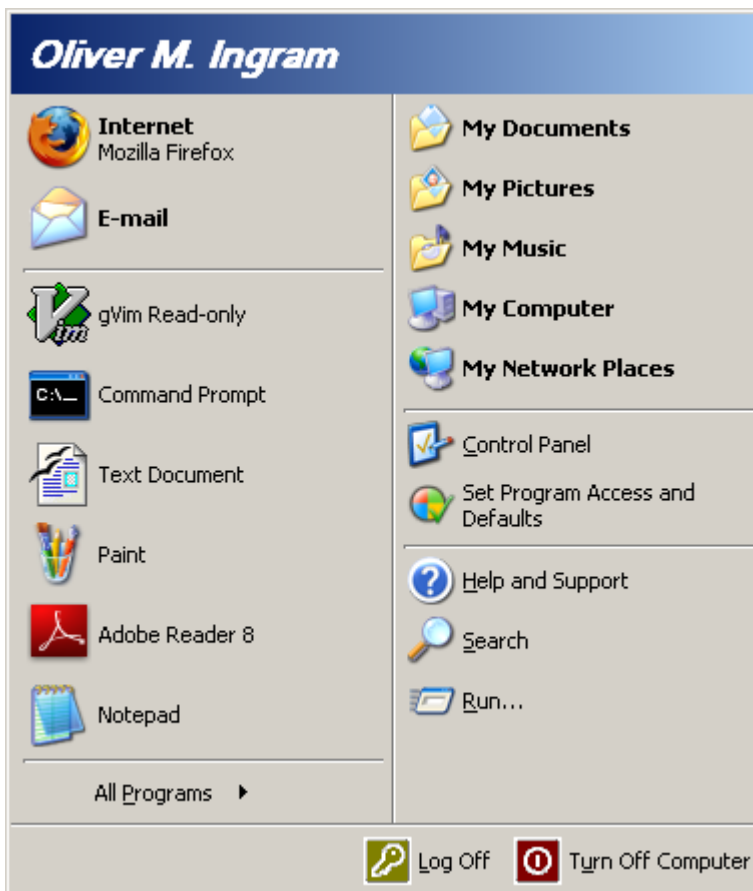
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1. Create a directory to run `gzip` from. This is the directory where the executable will permanently reside, for example a suitable directory could be `c:\Unix\bin\gzip`.
2. Move `gzip124xN.exe` to the directory `gzip` is to be run from.

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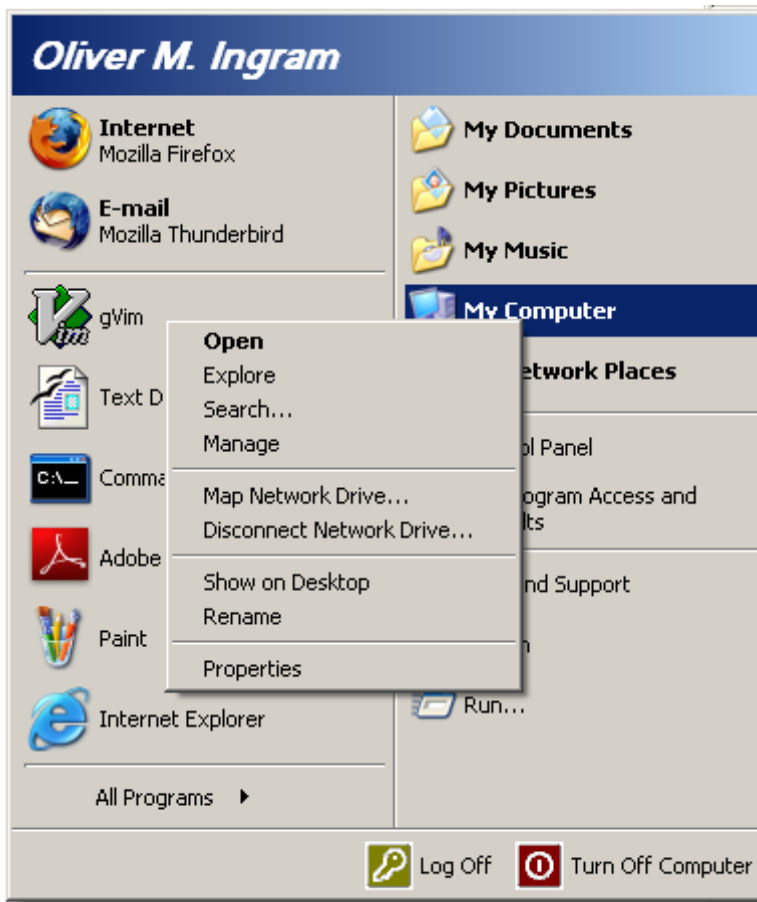
3. Run `gzip124xN.exe`. The following files are extracted:
 - COPYING
 - gzip.doc
 - gzip.exe
 - README
4. Update the `Path` environment variable.

Click the *Start* button.



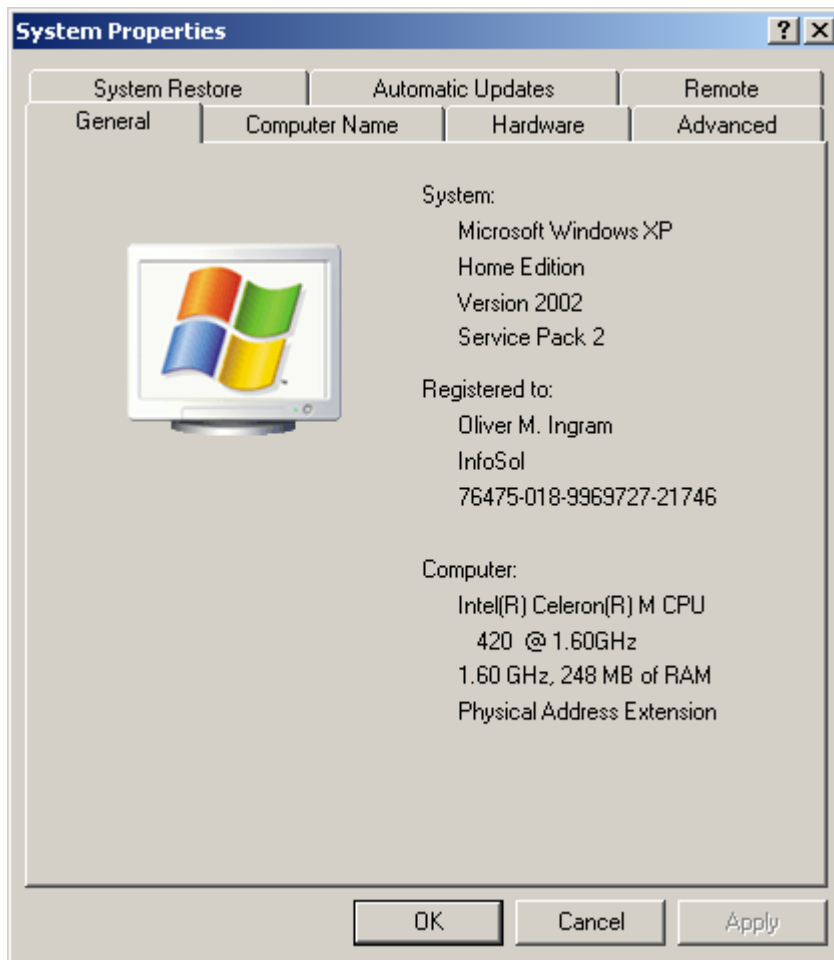
Right-click *My Computer*.

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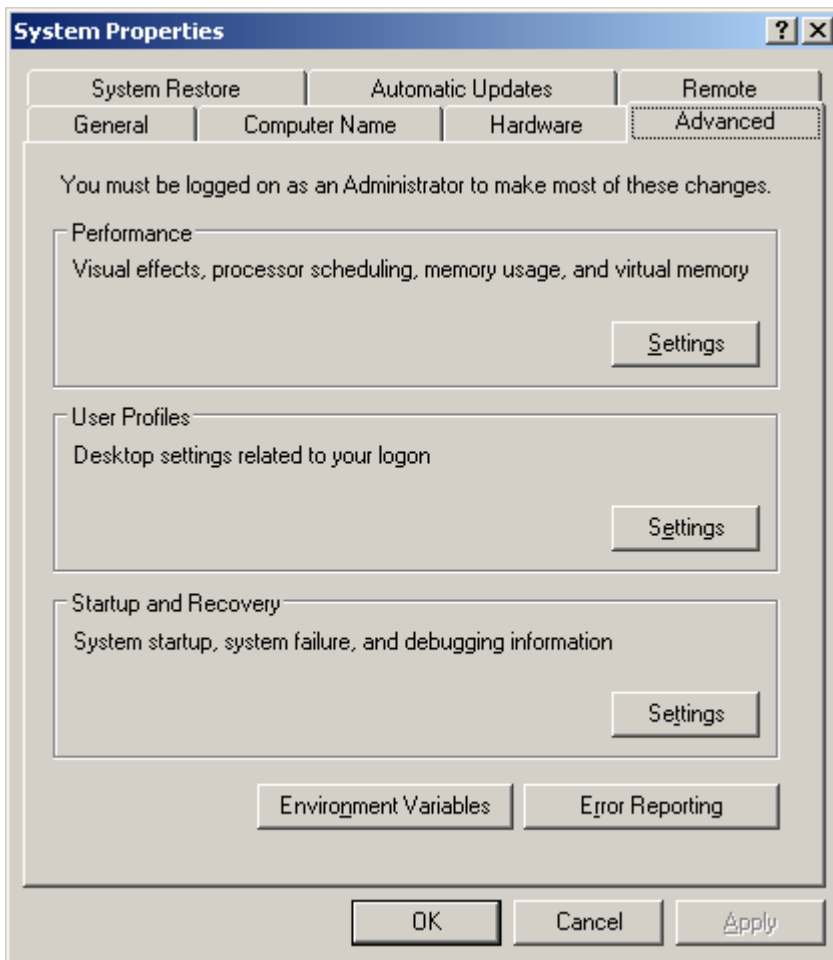
Select *Properties*.

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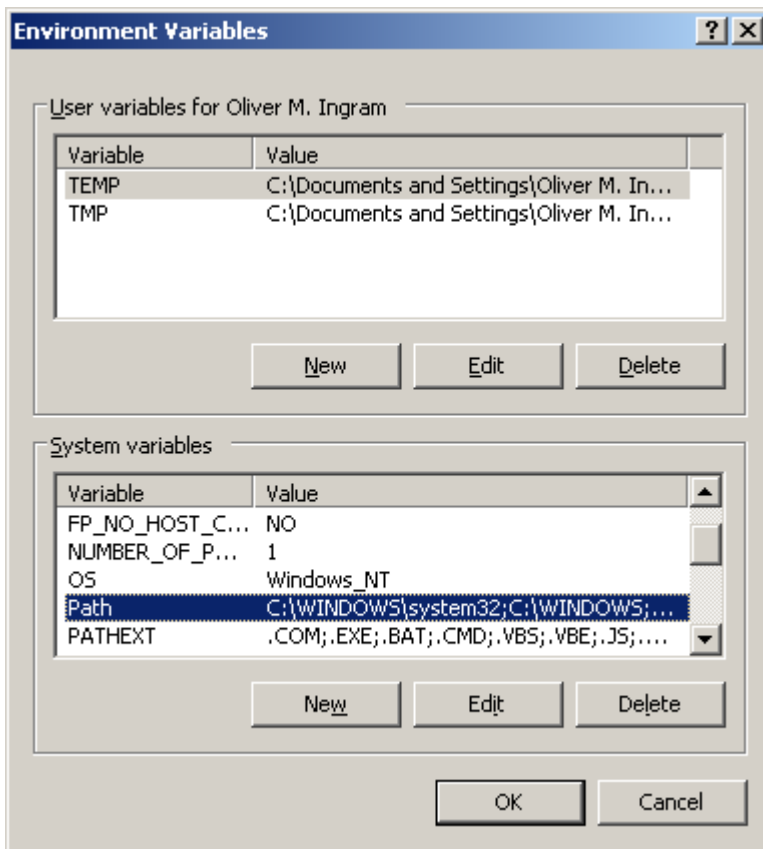
Click the *Advanced* tab.

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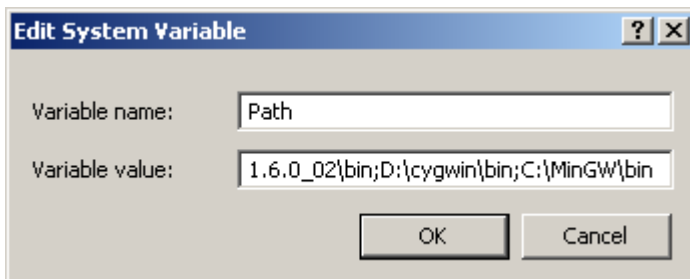


Click the *Environment Variables* button.

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In the *System variables* section select the *Path* variable and click *Edit* to edit it.



Add `;[gzip]` to the end of the variable value. For example, if `gzip` was installed in directory `c:\Unix\bin\gzip`, move the cursor to the end of the variable value and type `;c:\Unix\bin\gzip`.

Click *OK* to update the variable.