

ASReml 4 (RLM) Linux installation guide

Operating system	Linux
Build platform version details	CentOS release 7 Ubuntu 18
Features	Interactive graphics with hardcopy options EPS, WMF, JPG, HPGL, HPGL2, BMP, WPM

This implementation has been produced under CentOS release 7 and should be suitable for similar Linux versions. It has been successfully tested on many systems including Fedora Core 6 upwards, CentOS, OpenSuse, Debian and Ubuntu. Please contact support@asreml.co.uk if any problems arise.

The files are contained in a compressed download as follows:

```
asreml-4.x.b.vvv.rpm (for CentOS)
asreml-4.x.b.vvv.deb (for Debian)
```

where the letters 'x','b' and 'v' are replaced by the sub-version, build number and build letters of the software.

Small incremental changes to the sub-version may occur during the lifetime of this software, principally to correct bugs that arise in use.

Files included in this installation

The package contains a number of files, some of which are common to all versions, and the executable program which is specific to the target system. The contents of the package are as follows:

/usr/local/vsni/asreml/bin	
asreml	Executable image file
myowngdg.f90	Example Fortran source for OWN variance structure
/usr/local/vsni/asreml/doc	
ASReml.htm	HTML Help files (view in normal browser)
UserGuideFunctional.pdf	Principal source of reference
UserGuideStructural.pdf	Principal source of reference
UpdateR4.pdf	Description of changes from previous versions
pedigree.pdf	Description of pedigree options
/usr/local/vsni/asreml/examples	
functional	Data and input files for examples contained within the User Guides
structural	Data and input files for examples contained within the User Guides

Downloading ASReml 4

Site Reference: On the ASReml download page you will need to enter your **Site Reference**. This is a unique string of letters and numbers that was sent in the Order Confirmation email. If someone other than yourself organized the software purchase you will need to obtain the **Site Reference** from them.

1. Go to the ASReml knowledge base <https://asreml.kb.vsnr.co.uk/asreml-4-downloads/> then enter your **Site Reference** and other details to access the downloads page.
2. Scroll down to the **Linux Installations** section and download the appropriate file.

Installing ASReml 4

1. Start Linux and navigate to the directory where you downloaded ASReml.
2. Type the installation command shown below, followed by the name of the downloaded ASReml file.

For Ubuntu:

```
sudo apt install ./name of downloaded ASReml file.deb then press ENTER.
```

For Centos:

```
sudo yum install ./name of downloaded ASReml file.rpm then press ENTER.
```

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ sudo apt install ./ASReml-4.2-4.2.1.81-Linux.deb
```

3. You may be prompted to enter your password. If so, enter your password then press **ENTER**.

```
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amanda@amanda:~$ sudo apt install ./ASReml-4.2-4.2.1.81-Linux.deb
[sudo] password for amanda: █
```

4. You may also be prompted to allow installation to continue. If this happens type **Y** to allow ASReml to continue.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ sudo apt install ./ASReml-4.2-4.2.1.81-Linux.deb
[sudo] password for amanda:
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
Note, selecting 'asreml-4.2' instead of './ASReml-4.2-4.2.1.81-Linux.deb'
The following additional packages will be installed:
  libmotif-common libxm4
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  asreml-4.2 libmotif-common libxm4
0 upgraded, 3 newly installed, 0 to remove and 8 not upgraded.
Need to get 1,003 kB/20.2 MB of archives.
After this operation, 50.3 MB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] █
```

After ASReml installs you will be returned to the command prompt. ASReml will install by default into `/usr/local/vsnr/asreml/bin`.

5. You will now need to set up an alias. Type the command:

```
alias asreml='/usr/local/vsnr/asreml/bin' then press ENTER.
```

- Now copy some example scripts to your workspace. This will give you write privileges in this directory.

```
cp -r /usr/local/vsni/asreml/examples/functional asreml-examples
```

- Type `asreml -z` then press **ENTER**.

This will show your license status.

- If your status shows that you already have a license (because you are upgrading, rather than installing for the first time), you can skip to section **Running ASReml 4** to test the installation.
- If your status shows as 'No license for product', continue with **Activating ASReml 4**

```
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amanda@amanda:~$ asreml

ASReml 4.2 [01 Jan 2016] mv [19 Dec 2019] 24 Mar 2020 13:47:01
No license for product (-1)
amanda@amanda:~$
```

Activating ASReml 4

- To activate your ASReml license, type the 16 digit Activation Code that was emailed to you by customer support then press **ENTER**.
(If someone other than yourself organized the software purchase you will need to obtain the Activation Code from them.)

`asreml -z XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX`. (Replace `XXXX` with the 16 digit code)

```
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amanda@amanda:~$ asreml -z BFFE-ABEE-DGFE-9BXX
```

You'll see the message 'license successfully activated'.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ asreml -z BFFE-ABEE-DGFE-9BXX
License successfully activated
amanda@amanda:~$
```

- You can view your license details by typing `asreml -z` at the command prompt.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ asreml

ASReml 4.2 [01 Jan 2016] mv [19 Dec 2019] 24 Mar 2020 13:49:52
Licensed to: VSNI - VS17CAT1:[VOF13231]
Expiry: 31-dec-2020, 283 days
```

Running ASReml 4

You can now test the installation by running an example.

- First, create a new folder in your home directory called `barley` by typing `mkdir barley`.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ mkdir barley
```

2. Inside the installed `functional` directory you'll find many example files including three whose names begin with `barley`:

```
barley.apj
barley.as
barley.asd
```

We're going to copy these three files into our newly created `barley` directory.

```
cp /usr/local/vsni/asreml/examples/functional/barley* barley/
```

3. Check that the files have been copied to your `barley` directory by typing the list command `ls`.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~/barley$ ls
barley.apj barley.as barley.asd
amanda@amanda:~/barley$
```

4. Now run the `barley` example by typing the following:

```
asreml barley
```

```
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amanda@amanda:~/barley$ asreml barley
```

This will produce the following output and open a number of graphs.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~/barley$ asreml barley

ASReML 4.2 [01 Jan 2016] mv [19 Dec 2019] 24 Mar 2020 14:07:34
Licensed to: VSNi - VS17CAT1:[VOF13231]
Expiry: 31-dec-2020, 283 days
ASReML 4.2 [01 Jan 2016] Slate Hall example
Build mv [19 Dec 2019] 64 bit Linux (x64)
mv [19 Dec 2019] 2050 Mbyte barley1

Univariate analysis of yield
Summary of 150 records retained of 150 read
Forming 26 equations: 26 dense.

Notice: Specify !SIGMAP to allow the Sigma parameterization
Predict Design Done
1 125 -739.68 36034.
AGR
>> >> Process CPU_time SumCPU Clock SumClock
>> >> Iteration complete: sec 0.01 0.01 0.02 0.02
1 LogL=-739.681 S2= 36034. 125 df : 1 components restrained
>> >> Iteration complete: sec 0.00 0.01 0.00 0.02
2 LogL=-712.438 S2= 27792. 125 df
3 LogL=-702.868 S2= 30117. 125 df
4 LogL=-700.601 S2= 35000. 125 df
5 LogL=-700.327 S2= 38372. 125 df
6 LogL=-700.323 S2= 38713. 125 df
PVALS 1258. 1501. 1405. 1413. 1514.
1553. 1379. 1476. 1275. 1213. 1343.
1455. 1658. 1298. 1456. 1297. 1499.
1512. 1654. 1674. 1518. 1605. 1311.
1587. 1592.
7 LogL=-700.322 S2= 38751. 125 df
Graphics screen requested
column AR_R 1 0.683770 0.683770 10.80
row AR_R 1 0.458575 0.458575 5.55
8 mu 1 12.8 851.12 <
6 variety 24 80.0 13.04 <
```

Using your license offline

You can use ASReml without an Internet connection for up to 30 days by taking your ASReml license offline.

1. Ensure you have an Internet connection so that you can connect to the RLM license server.
2. Start ASReml then type `asreml -z` followed by the number of days you want to take your license offline.

Examples

`asreml -z 30` then press **ENTER**. (This will take your license offline for 30 days).
`asreml -z 12` then press **ENTER**. (This will take your license offline for 12 days).

```
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amanda@amanda:~$ asreml -z 12
License successfully set to be offline
amanda@amanda:~$
```

Your license will automatically return to online mode once the offline days have expired. You can also go back online before the offline expiry date by following the instructions below.

Going back online

To return to online mode at any time, do the following:

1. Ensure you have an Internet connection so that you can connect to the RLM license server.
2. Start ASReml then type `asreml -z 0` then press **ENTER**.

```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amanda@amanda:~$ asreml -z 0
License successfully set to be online
amanda@amanda:~$
```

Viewing license status

You can see how many days remain on your license before expiry by checking the license status.

1. Type `asreml -z` then press **ENTER**.

```
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amanda@amanda:~$ asreml -z
Licensed to: VSNi - VS17CAT1:[VOF13231]
Expiry: 31-dec-2020, 282 days
amanda@amanda:~$
```