How to Install Solver and the Analysis ToolPak in Excel 2010

Both Solver (a constrained optimization program) and the Analysis Toolpak (which allows you to run regressions in Excel) will be useful to have installed before the first class. Install as follows.

1. Click the File Button, and then click on Options at the bottom.

2. Click on the Add-Ins tab on the left. Select Excel Add-ins in the Manage dropdown box at the bottom, and click Go.

   ![Add-Ins Window]

3. In the Add-Ins window that pops up, select both the Solver Add-in and Analysis Tool-Pak check boxes, and then click OK.

   • If the Solver Add-in is not listed as one of the Add-Ins available, click Browse to locate the add-in.
   • If you get prompted that the Solver Add-in is not currently installed on your computer, click Yes to install it.
   • Same for the Analysis Toolpak: If it is not listed as one of the Add-Ins available, click Browse to locate it. And if you get prompted that the Analysis ToolPak is not currently installed on your computer, click Yes to install it as well.
4. After you load these two add-ins, the Solver command and the Analysis ToolPak library will both be available in the Analysis group on the Data tab.
   - Do NOT install Solver onto the Quick Access Toolbar (QAT)! It will work great until you close down Excel. Then it will prevent Excel from launching. Ever again.