

# Quick start

De Opera

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**OPERA** proposes a lot of options and configurations. Anyway, in order to allow starting first computations very quickly, the **OPERA GUI** proposes many parameters set to default values.



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## Launch the main GUI

To launch the **GUI** you only have to double click on **Windows** systems or type :

```
java -jar opera-xx.x-jar-with-dependencies.jar
```

First time the **GUI** is launched, a specific directory (**OPERA\_DATA/**) with its sub-directories (**context/, outputrun/, results/, work/** and **AdditionalPatriusData/**) will be created if it does not already exist. These directories will be used to store data/results working files. Note that the name of these directories may be changed (see this specific [page](#) on properties files).

## Mandatory data

If many data are already included in the jar file (solar activity, force models data, ...), no **TLE** data are directly provided. So the user will have to get it for example via the [[Space-Track site](#)]. By default, these **TLE** will be stored: in the **tles/** subdirectory with the following organization: **XXX/YY/XXXYY.tle** file where **XXX** are the first three digits of the NoradId; **YY** are the last two digits of NoradId. The **.tle** contains history of **TLE** for this NoradId; see this example below ..

```
ERS 5 (Decayed 2011-11-11)
1 00579U 63014B    10315.35410215 .00050969  00000-0  82126-2 0  1077
2 00579 084.5011 267.0530 1931516 238.6291 101.2672 11.27537314522093
ERS 5 (Decayed 2011-11-11)
1 00579U 63014B    10315.88649764 .00051504  00000-0  82497-2 0  1086
2 00579 084.5012 266.8438 1931883 237.5999 102.3933 11.27595044522151
...
ERS 5 (Decayed 2011-11-11)
1 00579U 63014B    11314.41371939 .16010326 46685+0 20567+0 0  5309
2 00579 084.2585 103.8765 0162025 156.5631 204.1730 15.54826774565617
```

**So, in order to start easily, some files are available as examples (to put in the OPERA\_DATA/tles directory) → [here](#) ←**

## Select Norad Ids

Based, for example, on the data given in the previous downloaded file, we can select which orbital objects to study. Different ways of selecting them are available (see this specific [page](#) on the topic) but, as an example, we will use the simplest one, giving directly the Norad Ids by clicking on the **Add** button. We will enter the following integer numbers separated by blank characters:



By clicking on **OK**, the two objects are well selected and recognized (because files exists int the **tles**/directory!) as we can see it:



## Computation

Now, it will be possible to start a computation by clicking on the **OK** button. Unfortunately, the computation exits in error status with such a message:

*TLEs was found in the requested time window. The last available date is xxxx days too old*

This error is due to the fact that, by default, the "End of history" date is the current date and is too far from the actual reentry dates of these objects. So, in order to get results, we will have to change this date, entering this one: **24/11/2011 00h00m00s**

Clicking again on the **OK** button will then give these output results:



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