

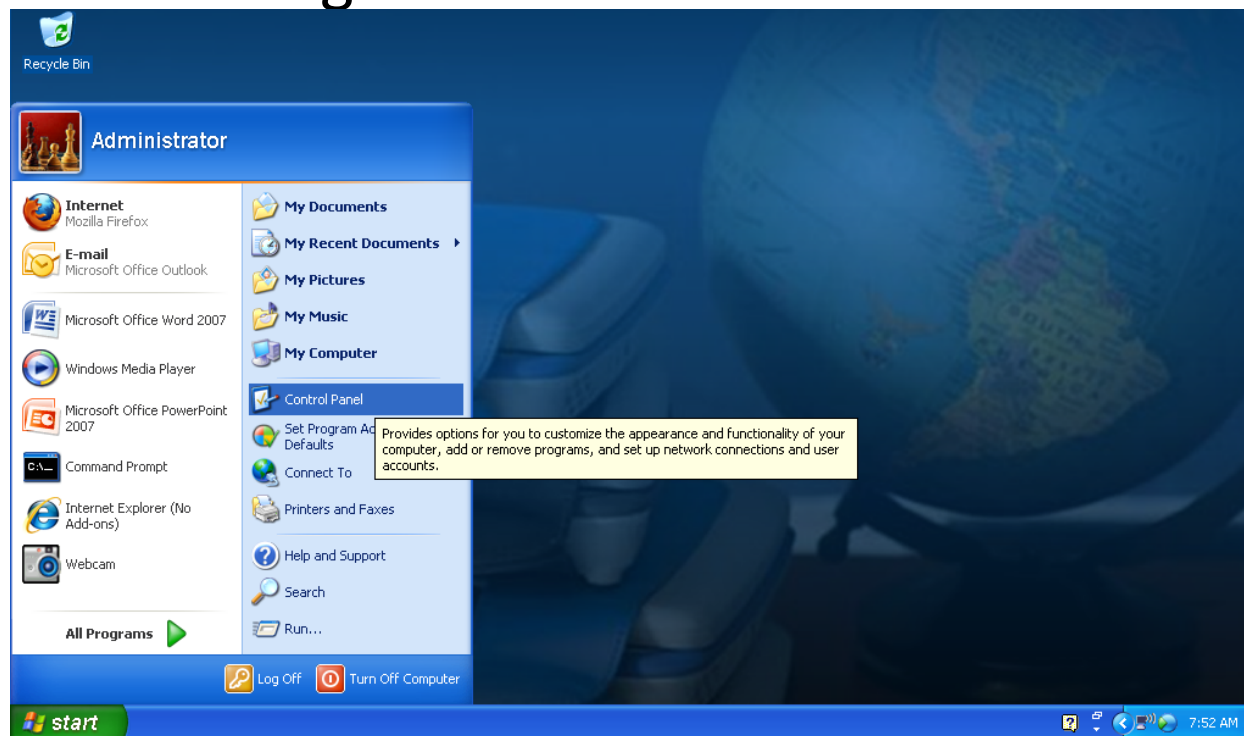
Computer Specifications and Program Minimum Requirements



Checking your Computer's
specifications and determining what
programs can be used

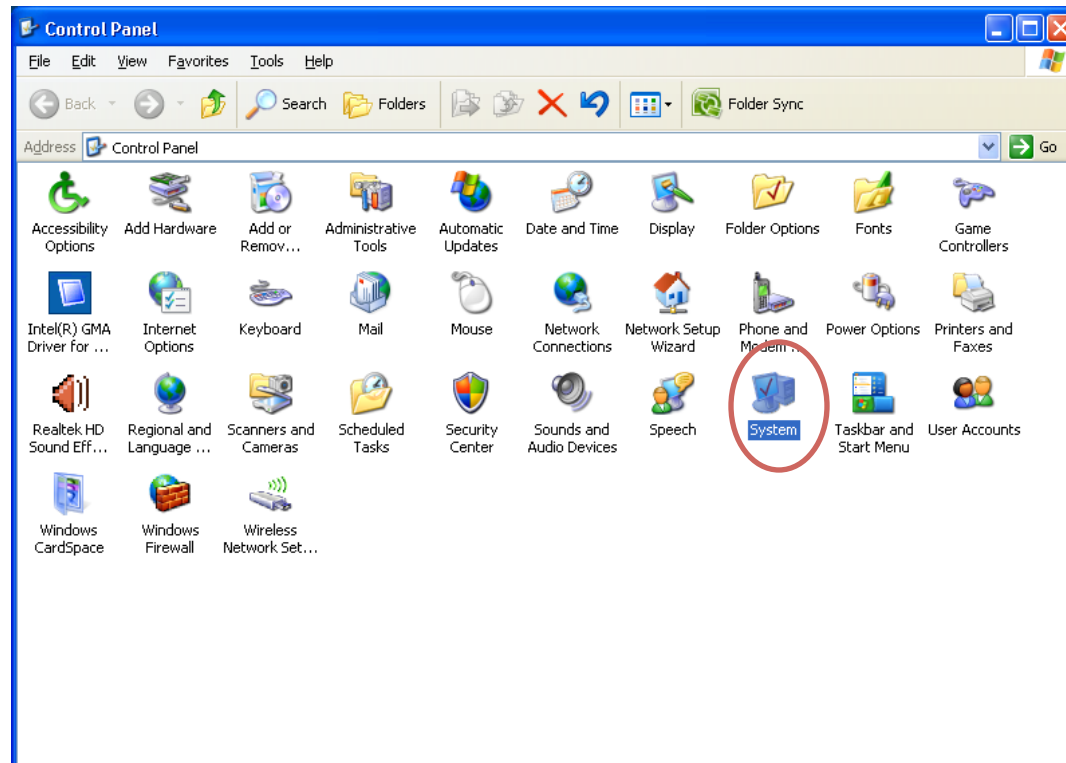
Finding the Control Panel

- The Control Panel will contain many options to change the settings on your computer
- Access the control panel by clicking on the start menu and then clicking on the Control Panel as shown below.



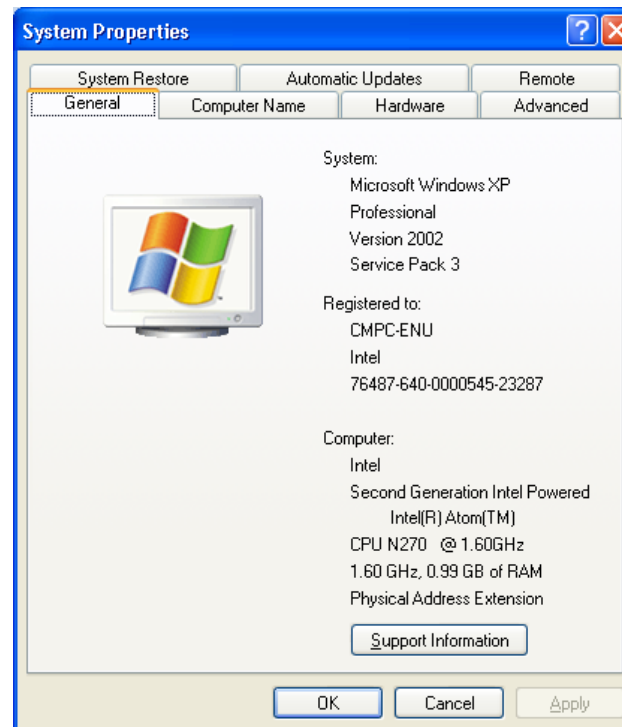
System Settings and Information in the Control Panel

- The “System” option can be found in the Control Panel Window as seen below.



Checking System Specifications

- When you open up System in the Control Panel you will see the System Properties window open as shown below
- Under the General tab you can see your System Specifications (which are circled below).
- The amount of RAM (.99GBs) and Processor Speed (1.6 Ghz) tell you what programs your computer can run.



Checking Program Minimum Requirements

- Most programs online will have a web page that lists minimum requirements.
- A sample of the Firefox 3.6 web browser is shown below.
- If your computer processor is faster then the requirement and you have more then the minimum amount of RAM you can run the program.
- If you are above the minimum requirement but below the recommended requirement your program will run but with poor performance.

