

Remote access to the observatory

In this article we explain how one can remotely access our observatory by means of the Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP).

Linux:

For Linux users we recommend **Remmina**, which is, to our knowledge, available in the repositories of all major distributions. Nevertheless, the following configuration is in principle transferable to any other RDP client.

After **Remmina** is started, the first thing to do is to create a new profile by clicking on the button in the upper left corner. The fields Name, Group, Server, Username, and Password need to be set. Name is the name of the profile. Group needs to be set to *WORKGROUP*. Server is the IP of the Observatory Management System (OMS). The Username for everyday use is *BP34_User*. Password is self-explanatory. Server and Password will be disclosed upon request.

If the access is not from the local IP address space, a SSH tunnel needs to be set up. To do this one has to select the SSH Tunnel tab in the **Remmina** profile configuration window. Afterwards, one needs to select Custom, set the server name to one of the computers of the astro cluster such as *prakt.astro.physik.uni-potsdam.de* and use a valid Username such as *castor*. If the authentication is not by public key cryptography, Password has to be set as well.

After the configuration has been saved, the connection can be established at any time by double-clicking on the corresponding entry.

Windows:

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