

Access Guide to z/OS Connect EE Virtual Wildfire Exercises

An IBM virtual environment has been preconfigured for you to access a Windows 10 desktop. The virtual environment connects to an IBM Z environment hosted on the IBM Cloud. The environment contains everything you need to perform your exercises.

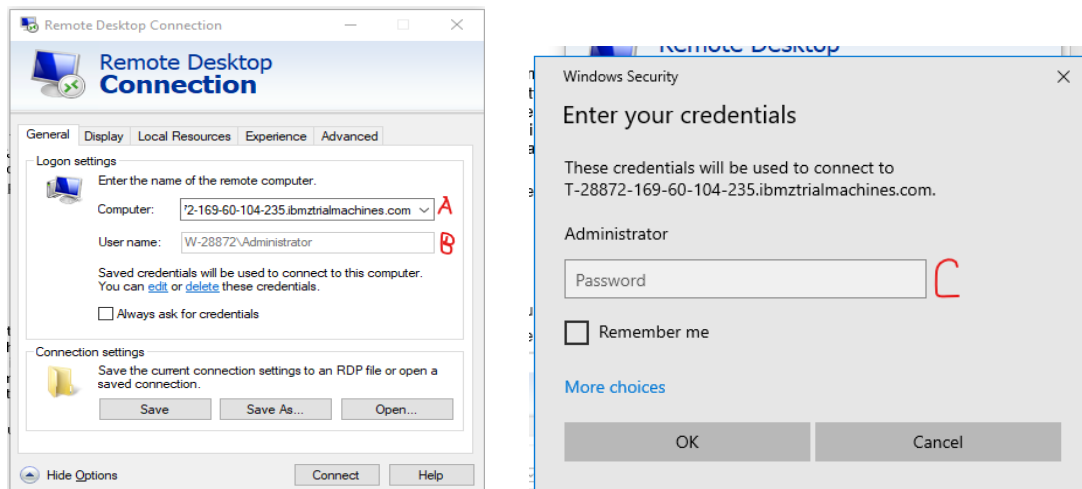
You can access the virtual environment using either a remote desktop or a web browser. Navigation with the virtual desktop interface works a bit better than the web browser, especially when looking at the PDF exercise instructions. My personal preference is to use the remote desktop, but feel free to use the interface that works best for you. The environment that you are using is running in a virtual system, and as such will run slower than if you were using the assets on your own machine.

Some organization's firewalls block access to the IBM virtual environment. If you encounter a firewall issue, try using your personal machine to access the IBM environment.

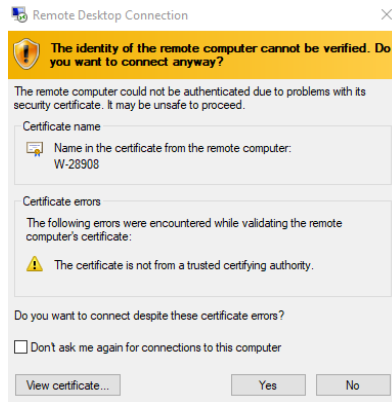
The connection credentials to access the virtual system are available from <https://ibm-wsc.github.io/FSSzconn/> once you enter your email address.

Option #1 - Remote Desktop

- Launch the remote desktop app on your workstation
- Using the supplied values from the email, enter the computer (A) and username (B). Hit enter and enter the password (C).
- You may need to click on “show options” to expand the window to show the logon settings such that you don't use the default settings.



- You may be challenged with the security certificate as shown below. If so, just click on “Yes” to continue.



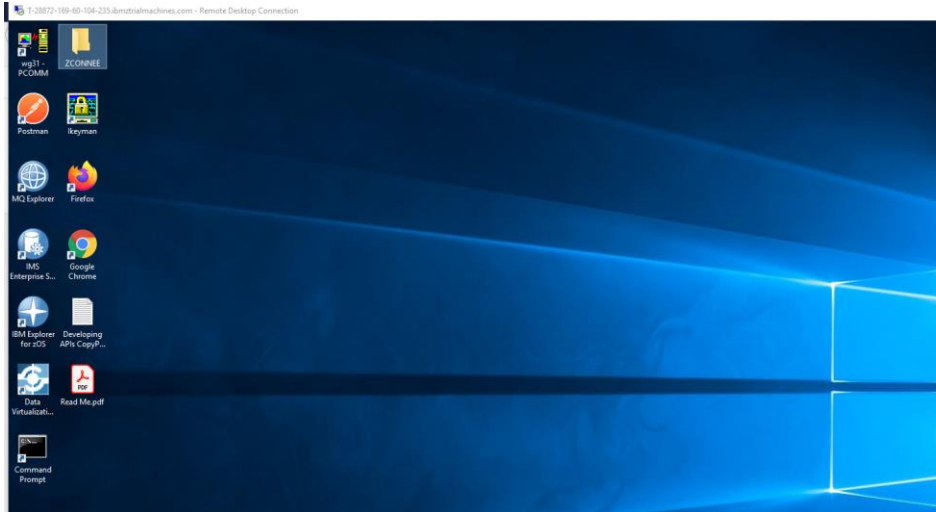
Option #2 - Web Browser

- Use the supplied URL to launch the virtual environment
- You will be promoted for a username and password. Use the values from the supplied email

A screenshot of the IBM Z Trial login screen. The title bar is blue with the text "IBM Z Trial". The main content area is white and contains the following text: "Thank you for choosing to try out IBM z/OS Connect EE Workshop. You can find your user credentials in the last email we sent you." followed by "This demo will be active for 3 days from the date of the same email." and "If you have any problems or you wish to extend the trial please contact ztrial@uk.ibm.com". Below this is a "Username" label followed by a text input field containing "Administrator". Below that is a "Password" label followed by a password input field filled with dots. At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Cancel" (grey) and "Log in" (blue).

Virtual Environment

Once you launch the virtual environment you will be presented with a Window's desktop:



The Open API2 exercise instructions can be accessed from: <https://github.com/ibm-wsc/zCONNEX-Wildfire-Workshop/tree/master/OpenAPI2>

The Open API3 exercise instructions can be accessed from: <https://github.com/ibm-wsc/zCONNEX-Wildfire-Workshop/tree/master/OpenAPI3>

Download the exercise booklets for the exercise you plan on running to your desktop. You may want to copy them into the virtual environment so you don't have to switch between the virtual environment and your desktop to read the lab instructions.

Each exercise is independent and can be done in any order. Since the amount of time is limited, you may want to start with the ones that are most applicable to what you plan for your own environment.

If requested by the lab exercise, the password for the z/OS ID of **USER1** is **USER1**. The password for the zCEE ID of **Fred** is **fredpwd**. Refer to the "**Read Me**" pdf in the ZCONNEX folder for more details.

When leaving the virtual environment, just close the virtual desktop or close the browser.

DO NOT power down the virtual windows environment. If you power down the virtual windows environment, you will not be able to relaunch.