

Getting Started with CloudPC for Statistical Software Use at UMass Boston

1. Navigate to the CloudPC Website

Open your web browser and to:

<https://www.umb.edu/it/software-systems/cloudpc/>

2. Start Cloud PC

i. Click on Start CloudPC

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Operate a powerful Windows PC, streamed to your home on any device you have!

Start CloudPC

Click to launch CloudPC right here in the browser! Login with your UMass Boston account and select General Desktop.

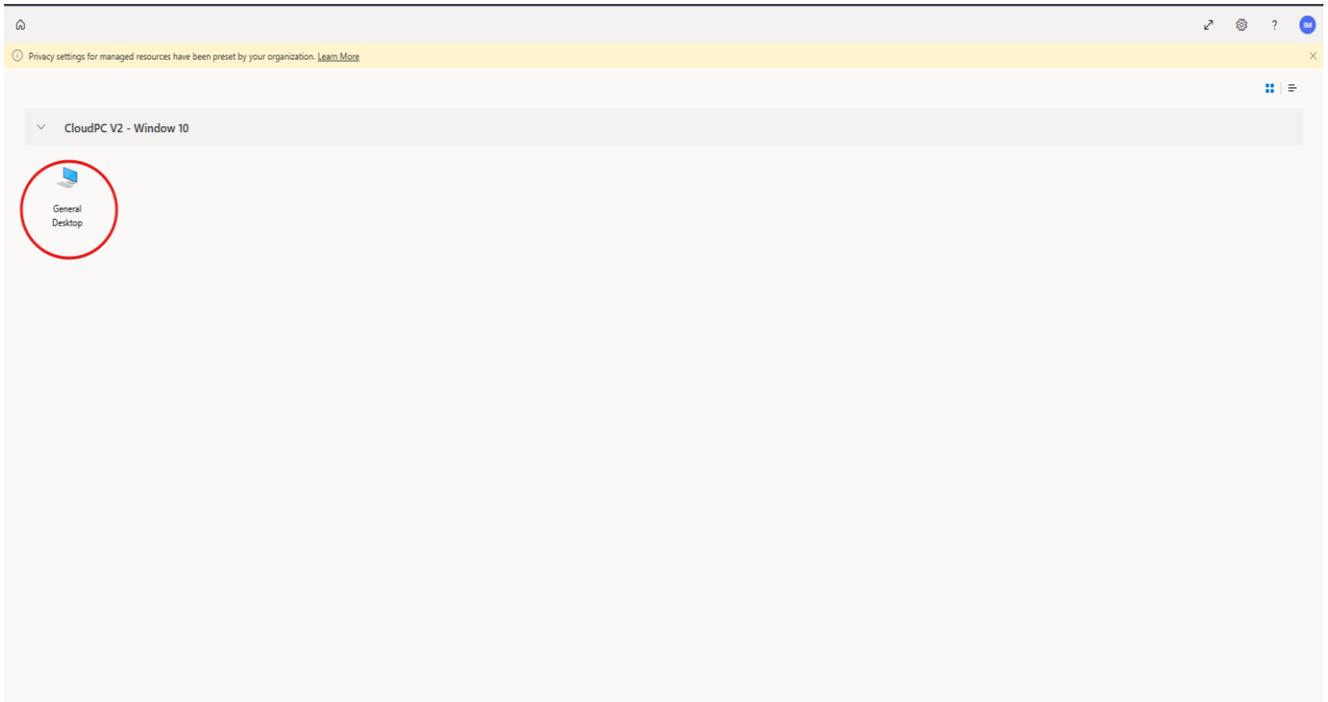
For a more seamless experience, you can install Microsoft Remote Desktop Client to access CloudPC outside of the browser. Download for: [Windows](#), [MacOS](#), [Android](#), (For Chromebooks, just use the Start CloudPC button above!)

Overview

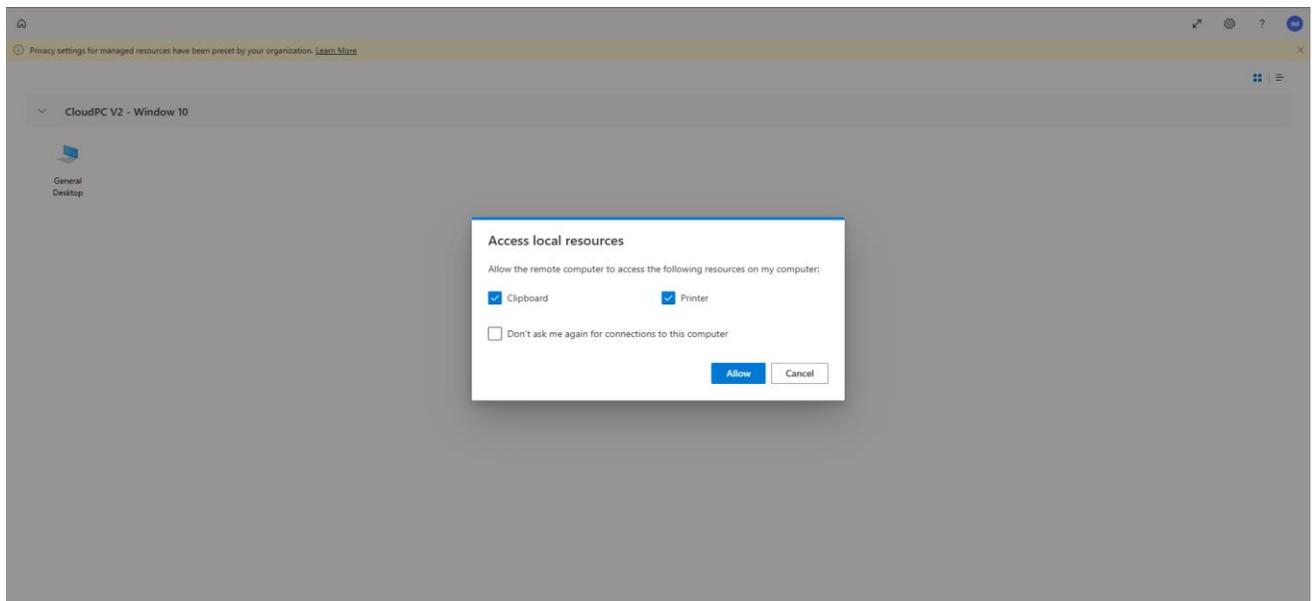
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ii. Select CloudPC V2 – Windows 10, as it is highlighted below:



3. Allow Access Local resources



4. Log in with your UMass Boston Account

You will be prompted to log in using your `firstname.lastname@umb.edu` email address. Enter your credentials and click on Submit.

Enter your credentials

Username

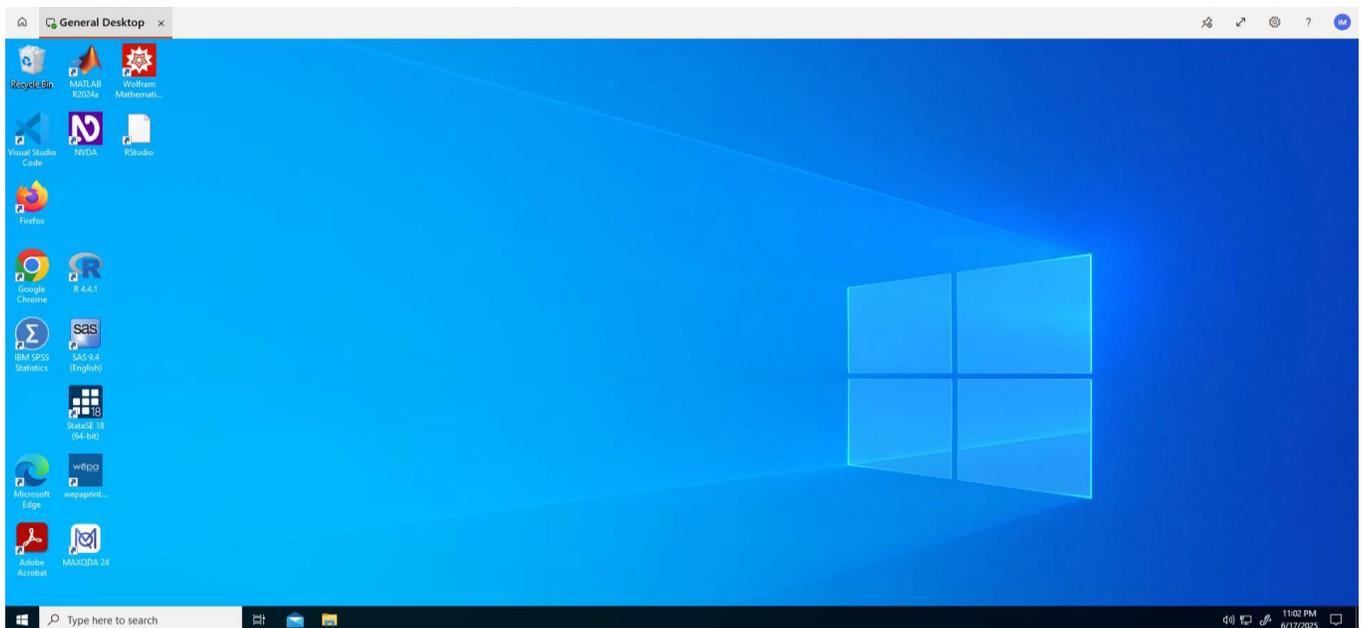
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5. Wait for the system to load.

After logging in, wait for the remote desktop environment to load. You should see a screen like your usual Windows desktop:

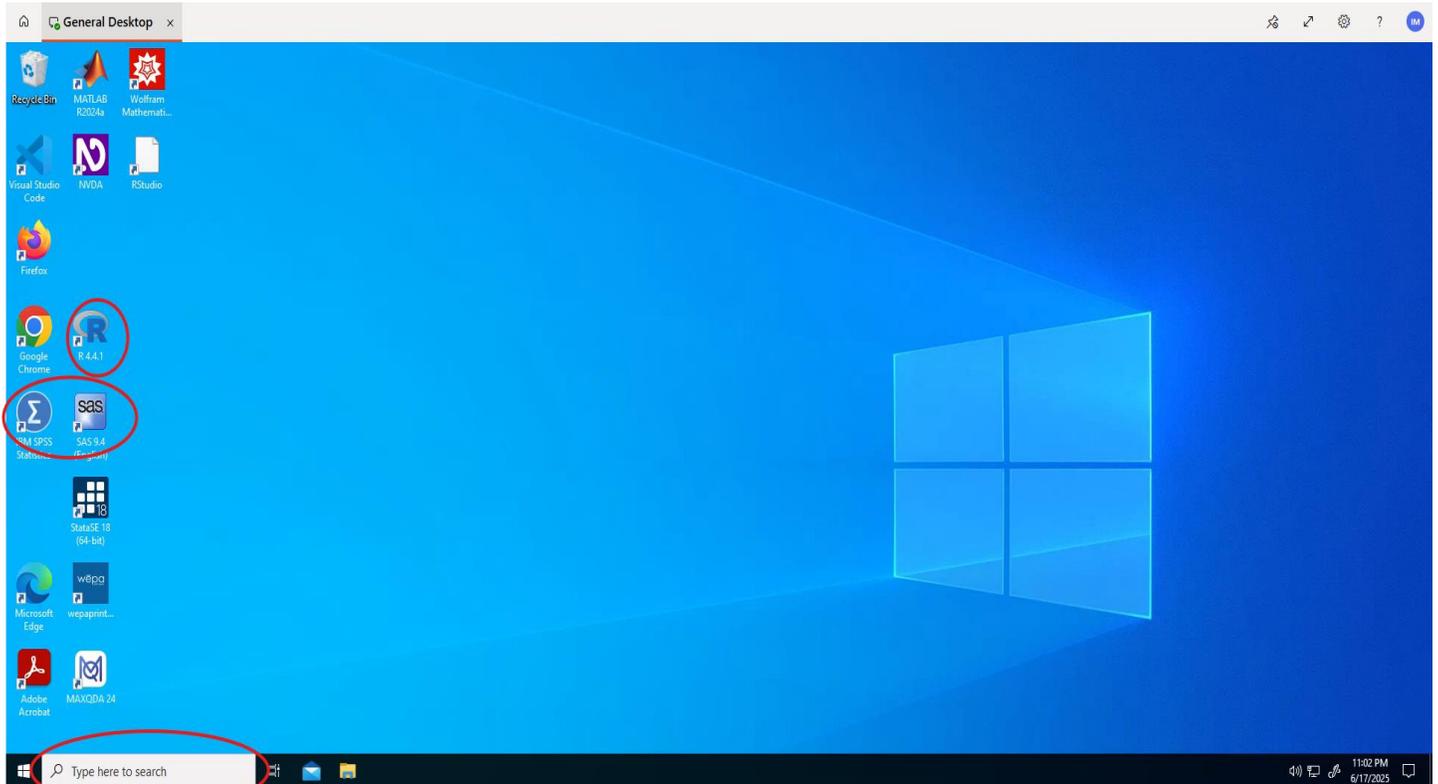


6. Access Statistical Software

You can now open statistical software available on Cloud PC, such as SPSS, Stata, and R.

To open an application:

- click on a shortcut icon on the desktop, or
- Use the Windows search bar.

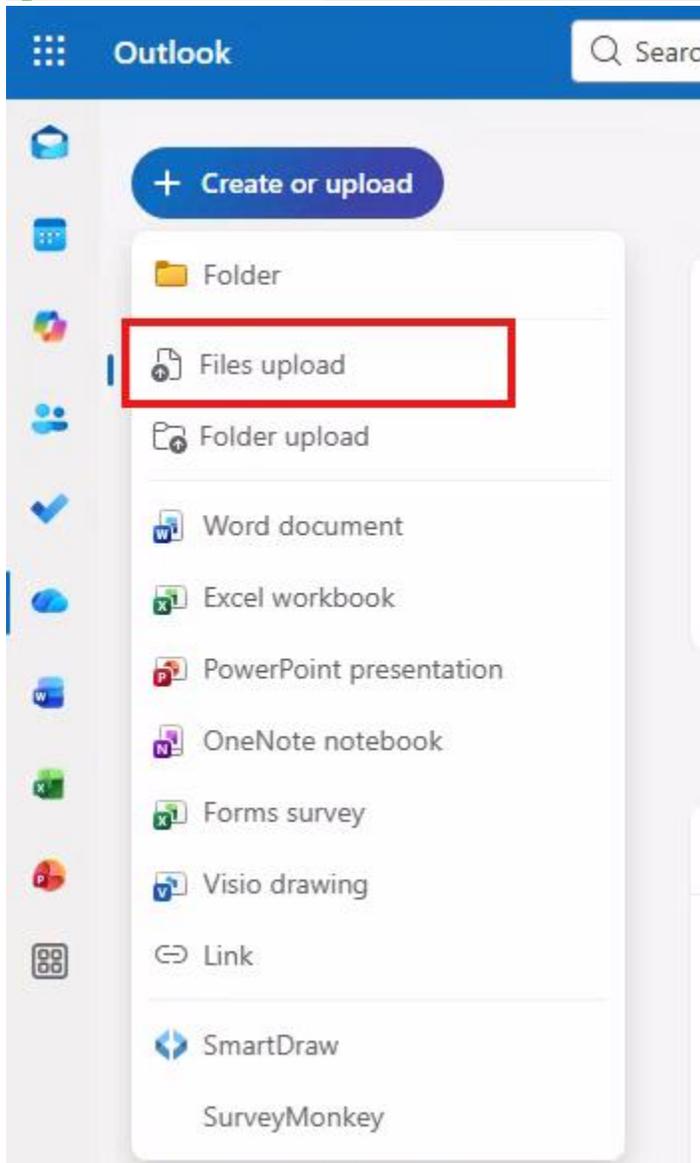
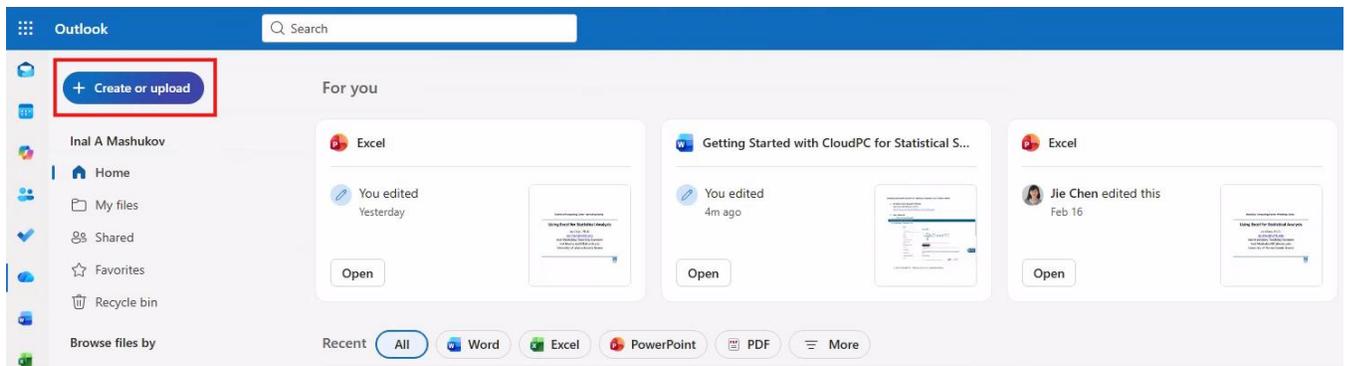


Note on File Access - Uploading your files to CloudPC:

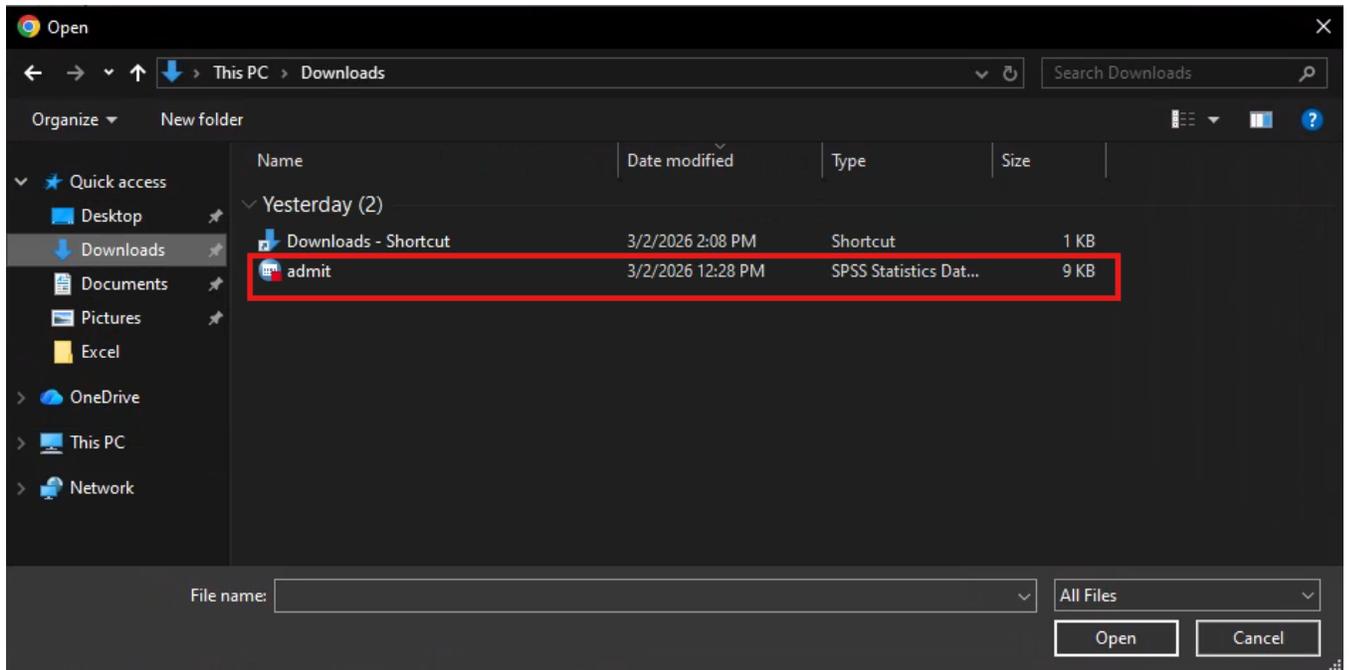
Cloud PC is a remote computer, so it cannot directly access the files stored on your device.

To use your own data files:

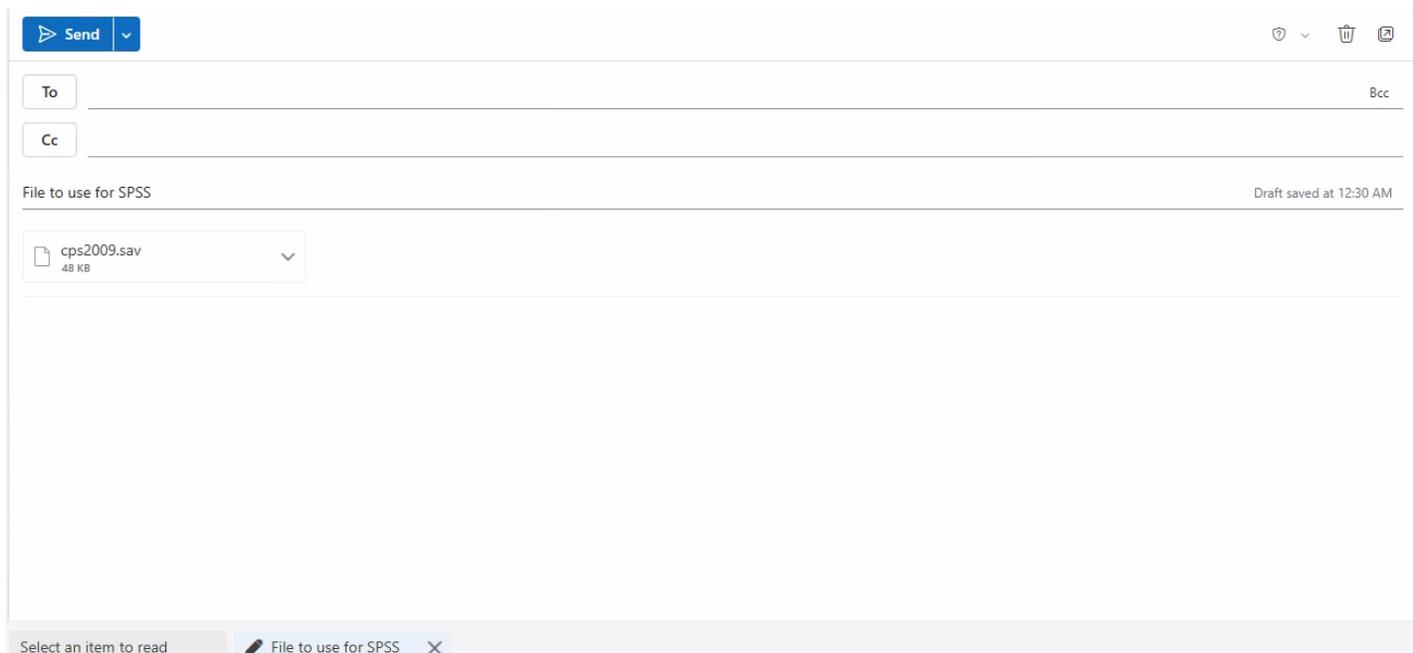
- Upload them to OneDrive:



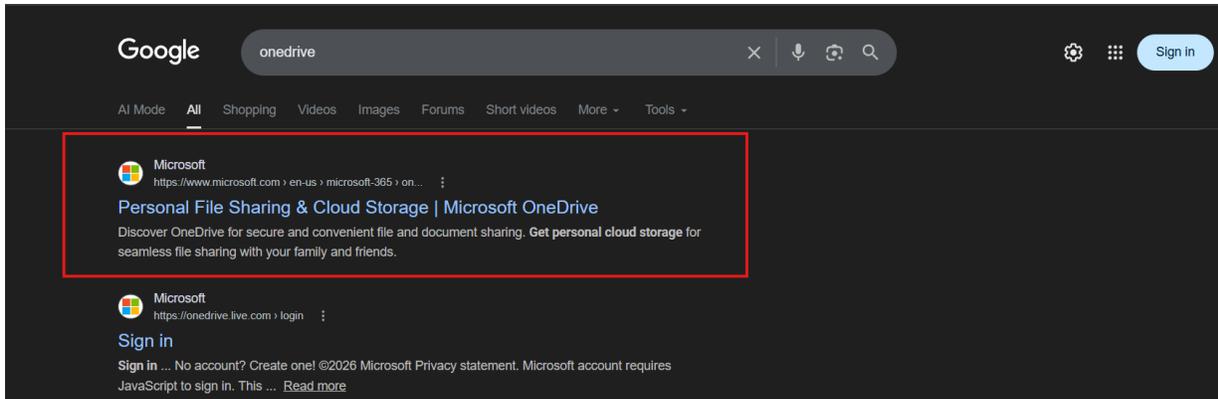
- Locate and select the file you wish to upload to OneDrive and later CloudPC:



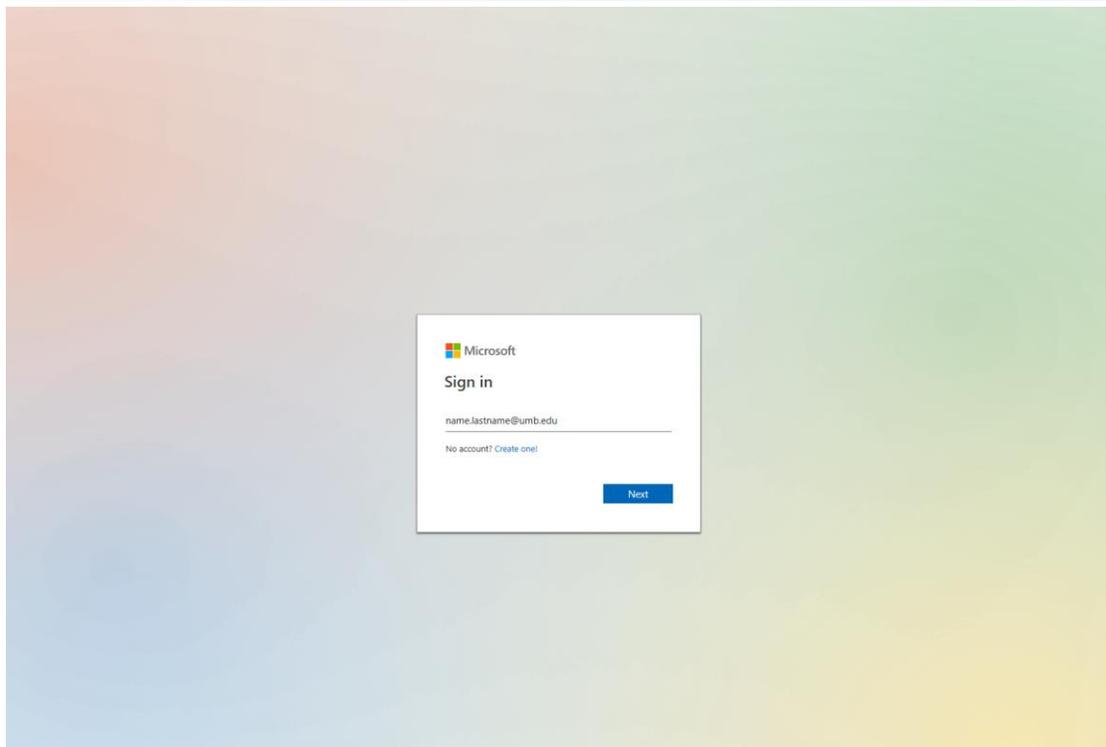
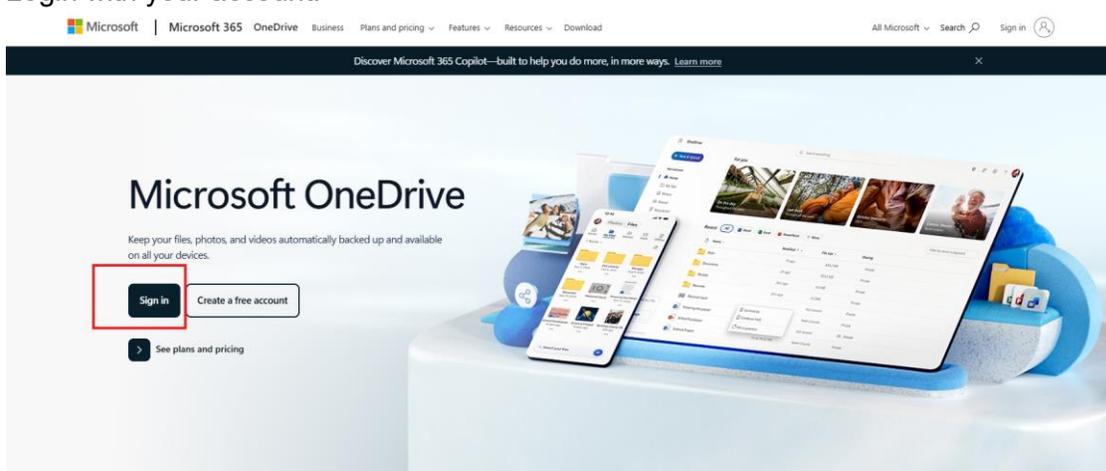
- Or email the file to yourself and download from your email on the CloudPC, like here:



Downloading to CloudPC from a Cloud Drive service like OneDrive:



- Login with your account:



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EventStudy	October 6, 2025	Jie Chen	4 items	Shared	
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- Download the file to CloudPC environment:

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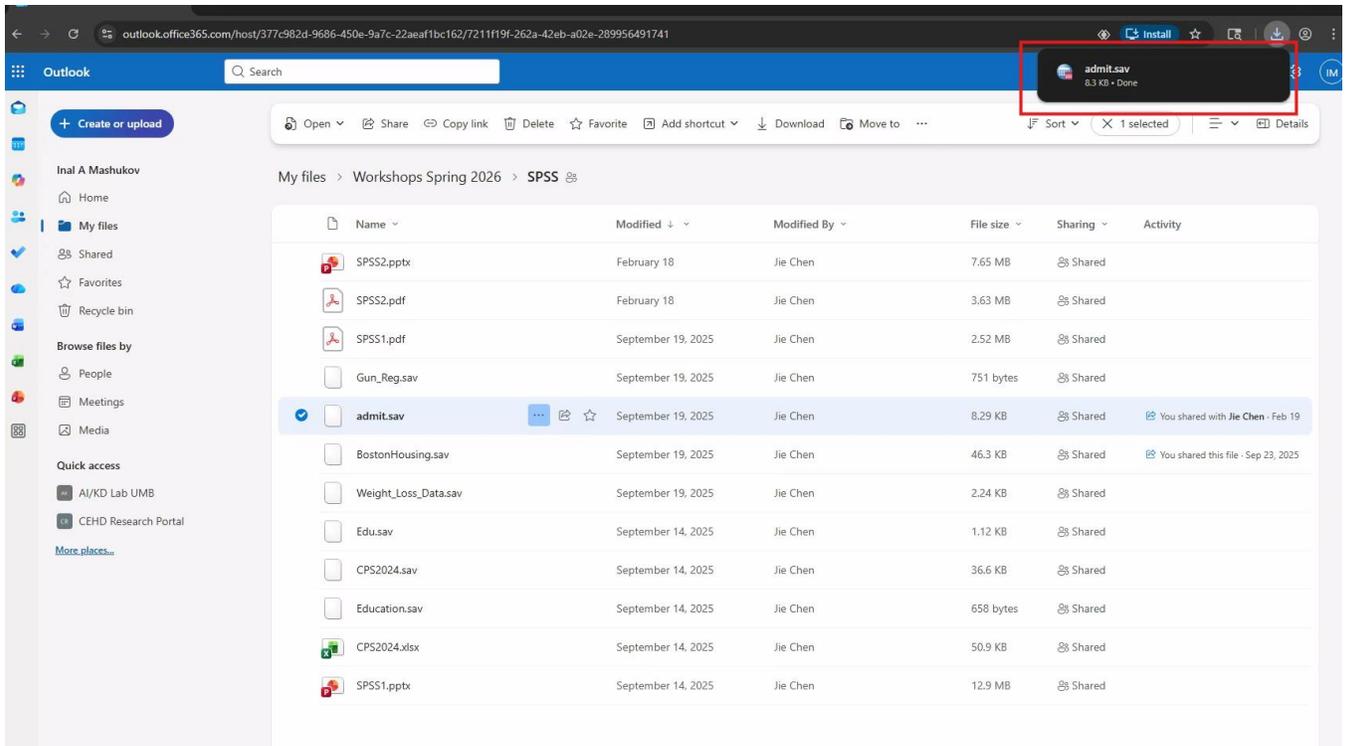
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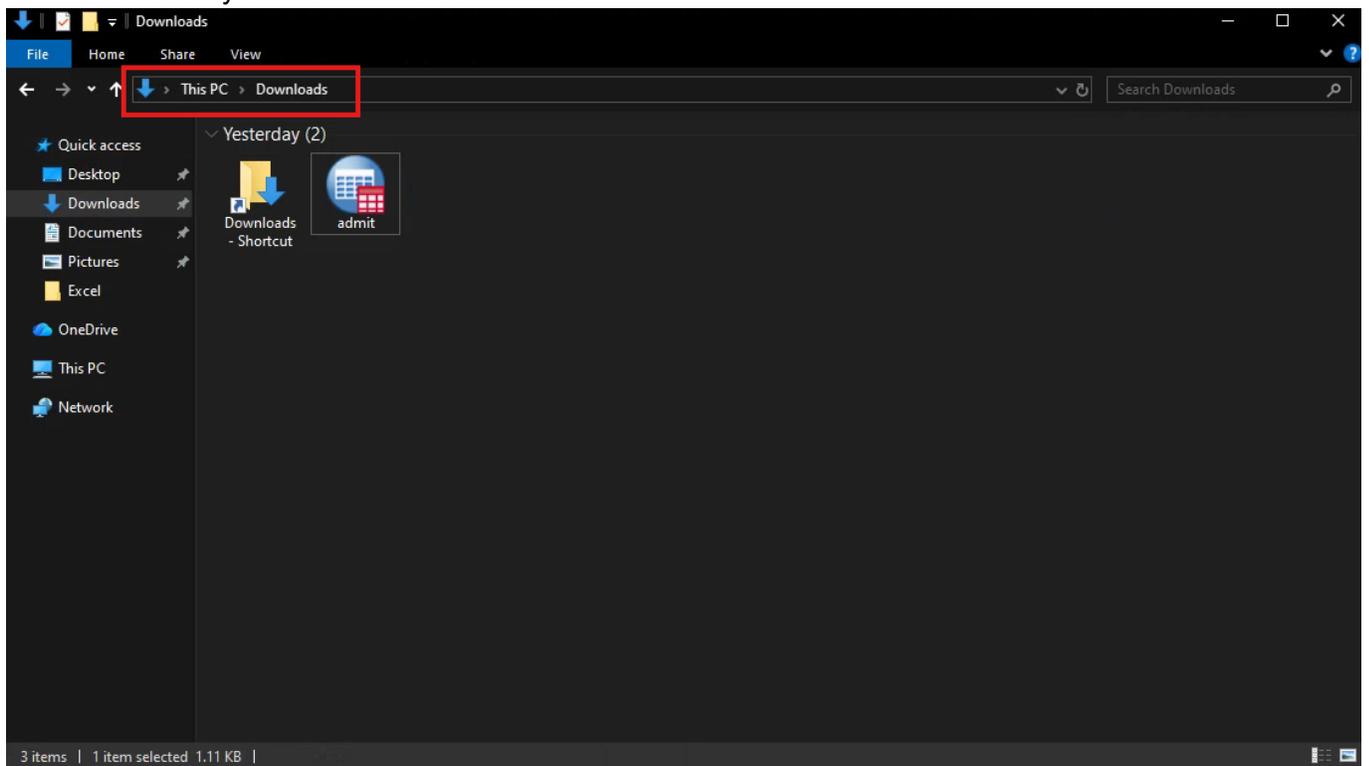
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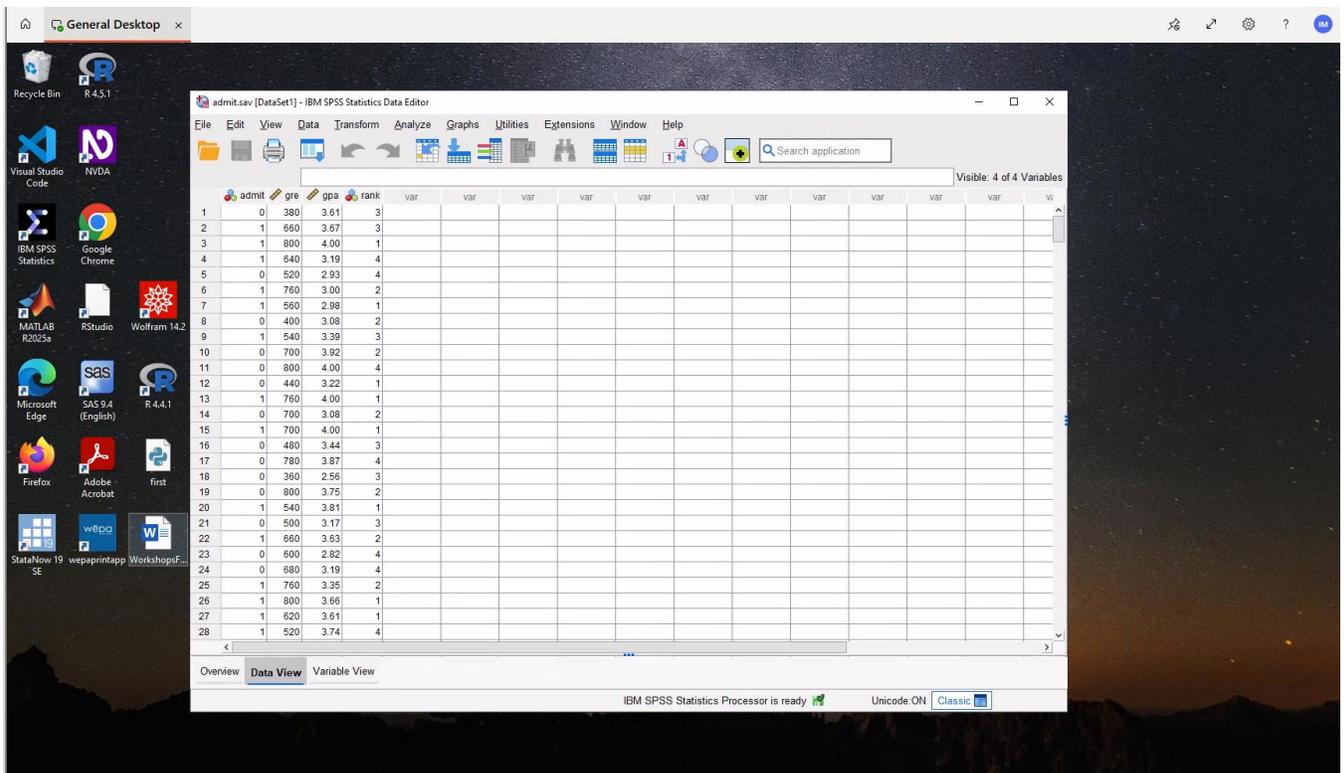
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- By default, on CloudPC, your files will be saved under the Downloads folder, the path should be “C:\Users\your.username\Downloads”:

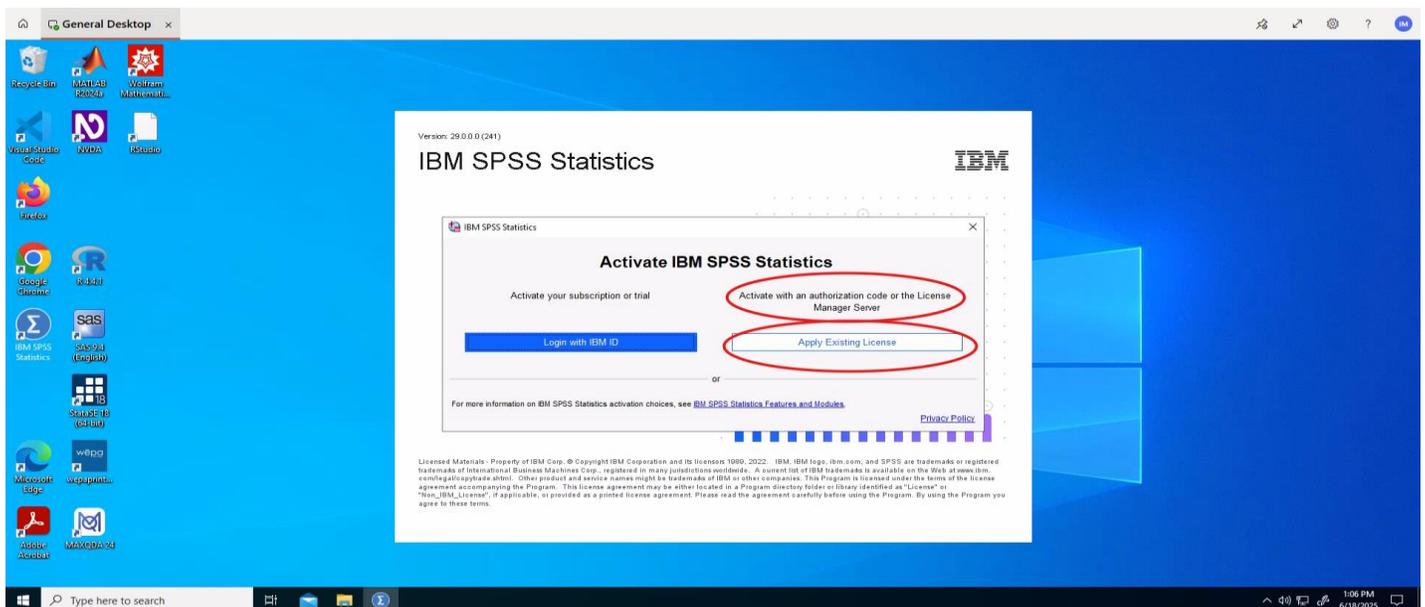


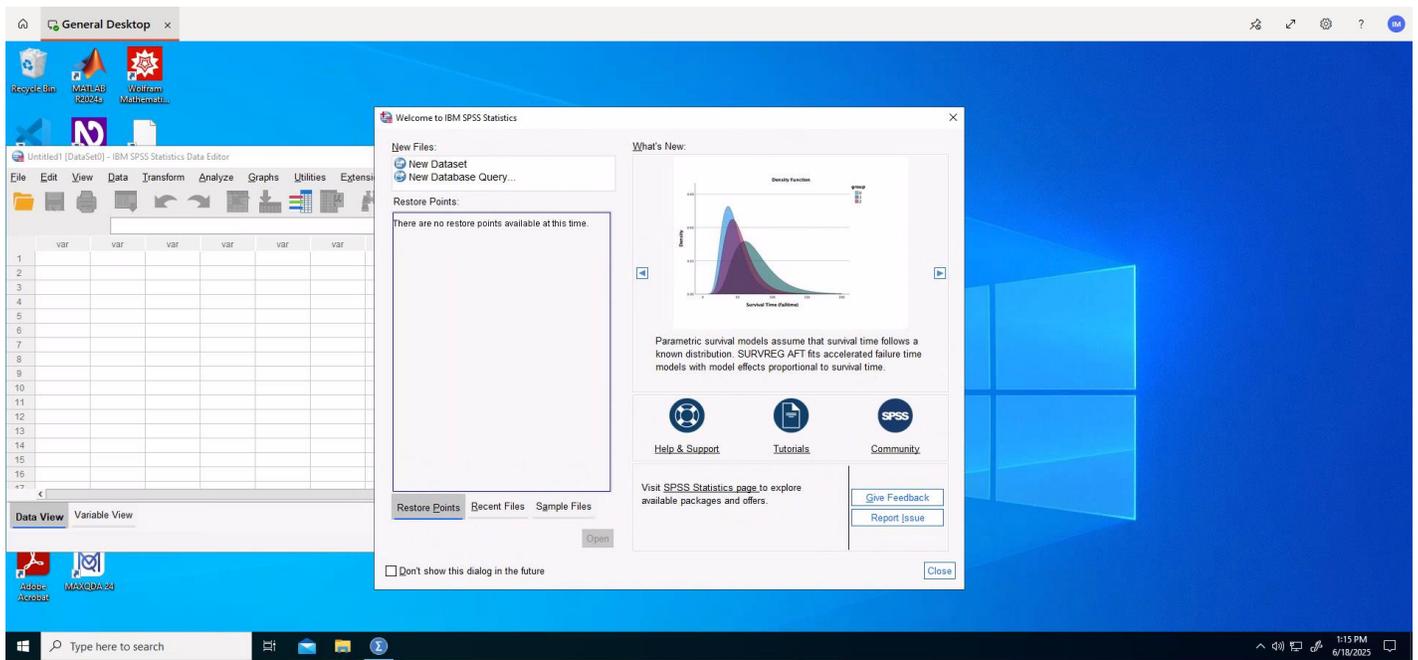
- You are now ready to upload files to CloudPC and use them:



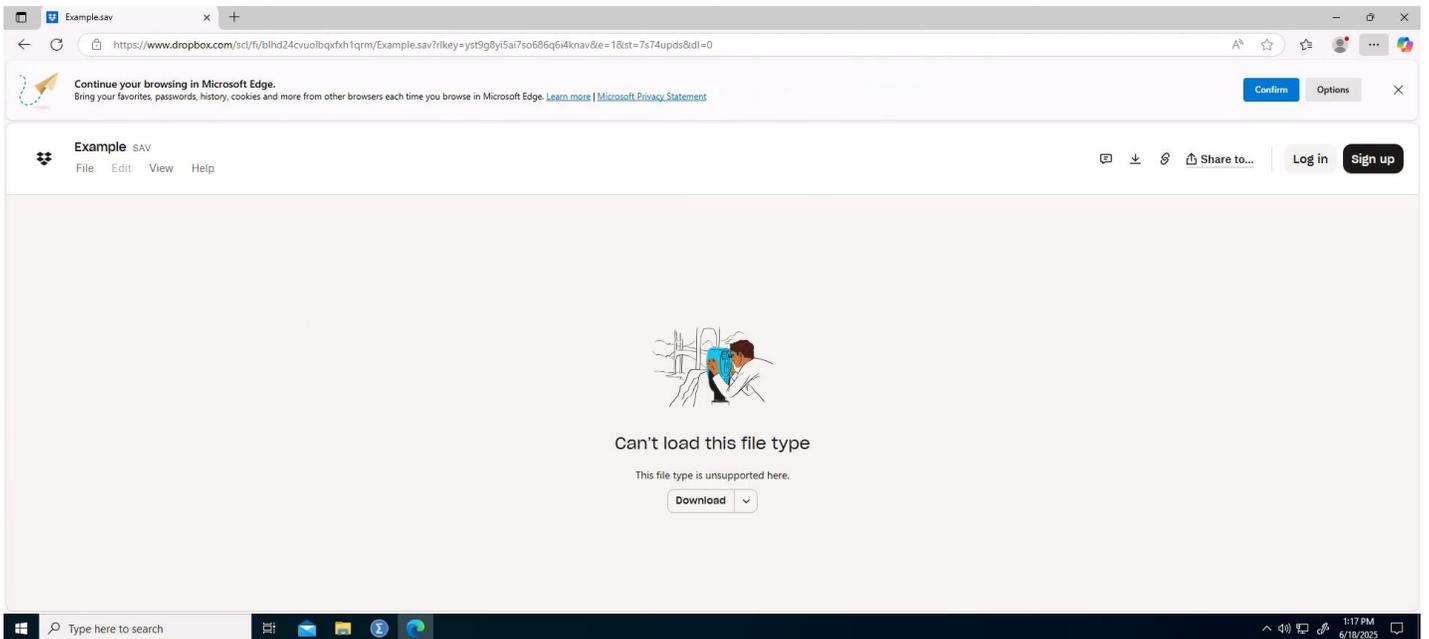
Using SPSS on CloudPC

1. To open SPSS, click on the SPSS shortcut or search for it in the Windows search bar.
2. If prompted to activate a license, choose the pre-licensed option (highlighted) and click the appropriate button
3. You will then see the SPSS starting screen.





Suppose you have uploaded a file to a cloud drive that you wish to access through the remote PC, as in here:

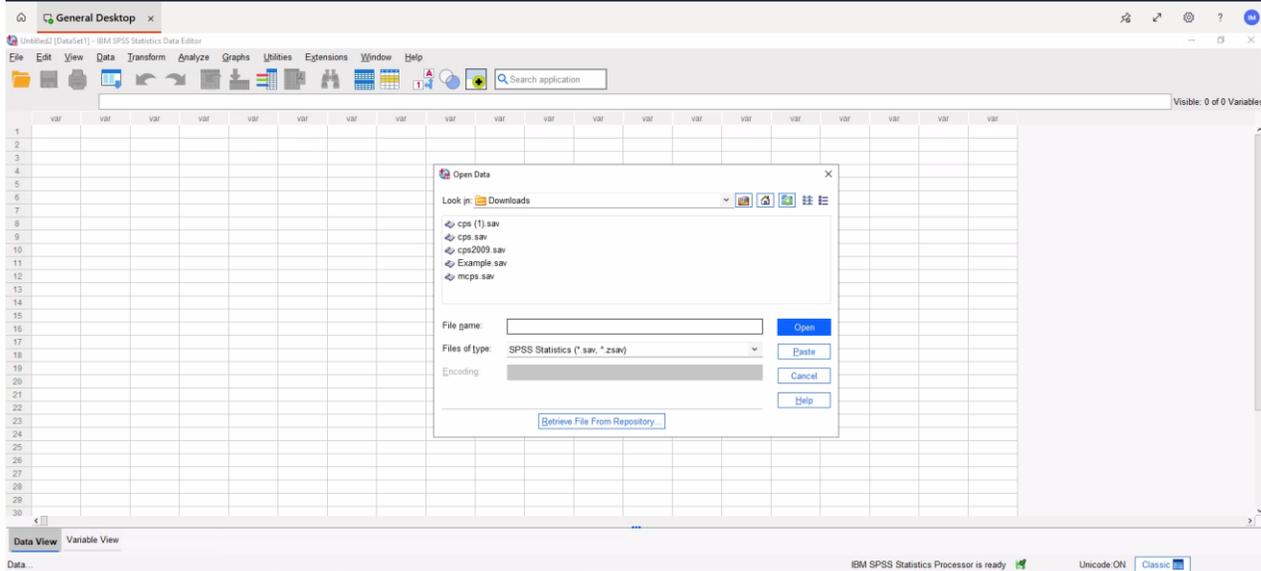


This file is stored in Dropbox, a cloud storage service that allows users to upload their files and access them from anywhere.

This way, you can download files from your home computer to the remote PC.

Download the file, locate it on your CloudPC system.

Then, in SPSS, go to File - Open - Data, and select your .sav file:



You are now ready to use CloudPC, along with other statistical software such as Stata and SAS.

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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