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How to access STATA from the pc's at the computer lab

After having logged in you have to log in again at a remote desktop at the server "Gyda". Do the following: Go to

Start -> Programs -> Accessories -> Communications -> Remote Desktop Connection

Write *gyda* in the window "computer" in the menu that appears, and then press connect. Then a new desktop should appear on the screen.

Now you can start STATA by:

Start -> Programs -> Stata -> Small Stata8

How to load the built-in data set, auto.dta

(The method described under Exercise on page 1 of the tutorial is outdated).

Write in the command window: sysuse auto (or sysuse auto.dta) and enter.

To obtain a list of all built-in data sets that follow with STATA, you can use the command *sysuse dir*.

You can save a copy of the data set (r any other data set) in your own directory by the command *save*, and later retrieve it by the command *use*. By *save* the data are stored in a binary file – with a special STAT format that is easy to read for STATA.