

# 3. – Client side (browser) integration

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# 3.1 – Use 8 lines of code to start a remote connection from a web page

Save a JavaScript file as tutorial1.page.js with the following content:

```
window.onload = function() {  
    var gateway = '192.168.12.111', //change this to your Spark gateway address  
    server = '192.168.12.117', //change this to your RDP server address  
    url = 'ws://' + gateway + '/RDP?server=' + server + '&user=vmuser&pwd=password';  
    var r = new svGlobal.Rdp(url);  
    r.addSurface(new svGlobal.LocalInterface());  
    r.run();  
};
```

Save a web page as tutorial1.html with the following content:

```
<!doctype html>  
<html>  
<head>  
    <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">  
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />  
    <title>Spark View (RDP)</title>  
    <meta name="viewport" content="width = device-width, initial-scale = 1.0, user-scalable =  
yes, minimum-scale = 0.1, maximum-scale = 8" />  
    <meta name="apple-mobile-web-app-capable" content="yes" />  
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="../hi5.css" />  
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="../rdp.css" />  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../appcfg.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../resource.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../hi5core_min.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../hi5_min.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../surface_min.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../rdpcore_min.js"></script>  
    <script type="text/javascript" src="../rdp_min.js"></script>
```

```

<script type="text/javascript" src="tutorial1.page.js"></script>
</head>
<body>
  <div>
    <canvas id="remotectrl"></canvas>
  </div>
</body>
</html>

```

Double click on the html file and open it in your browser. You don't even need a HTTP server for this demo.

### Checklist:

- to enable HTML5.
- `<meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge">` to suggest Internet Explorer using the edge web engine.
- Viewport meta tag for touch interface
- "apple-mobile-web-app-capable" meta tag to allow users to create shortcut on home screen (iOS).
- SparkView JavaScript libraries for RDP connection: appcfg.js (configuration), resource.js (language resource), hi5\_min.js (common utilities), surface\_min.js (UI), rdp\_min.js (RDP decoder). Don't forget hi5.css and rdp.css style sheets.
- A canvas element with id "remotectrl" to display the remote connection. If you are using a different id, you need to specify it when creating the LocalInterface in your JavaScript code:
 

```
new svGlobal.LocalInterface('MyCanvasId')
```
- Make sure the JavaScript library is loaded before you start a remote connection. A good place is the window.onload event.
- SparkView client will manage the width and height of canvas. Never try to set it up in your code. Never set up the width and height with CSS.
- Make sure you include hi5core\_min.js and rdpcore\_min.js since 5.0.
- You can set `userWorker: false` in appcfg.js to disable Web Workers (JavaScript threads).

### Troubleshooting:

- Check the JavaScript console log from your browser (F12 or Developer Tools)
- Check SparkView log (InstallDir/logs/)
- Internet Explorer may still be in legacy mode.
- You may need to configure hi5.libPath if you are using the JS library in your portal. For example, you can configure this in appcfg.js:
 

```
hi5.appcfg = {...}; hi5.libPath = 'pathRelatedToYourWebRoot';
```
- The web worker will load rdppworker\_min.js, hi5core\_min.js, rdpcore\_min.js at runtime. They are supposed to be in the same directory with your web page by default. If not, you can configure hi5.libPath to resolve this issue, but if your gateway is behind VPN and

JavaScript rewriter is used by the VPN, this path can be rewritten with a wrong value (VPN JS rewriter bug). In this case, you can leave hi5.libPath as blank and copy those 3 js files to the web page directory as a workaround.

## 3.2 – Using object or cookie for parameters

You can also use objects or cookie for parameters:

### Object parameters with Rdp2:

```
window.onload = function() {  
    var parameters = {  
        gateway: '192.168.12.111',  
        server: '192.168.12.117',  
        user: 'vmuser',  
        pwd: 'password'  
    };  
    var r = new svGlobal.Rdp2(parameters);  
    r.addSurface(new svGlobal.LocalInterface());  
    r.run();  
};
```

### Cookie parameters with Rdp2:

```
window.onload = function() {  
    document.cookie = 'gateway=192.168.12.111';  
    document.cookie = 'server=192.168.12.117';  
    document.cookie = 'user=vmuser';  
    document.cookie = 'pwd=password';  
    var r = new svGlobal.Rdp2();  
    r.addSurface(new svGlobal.LocalInterface());  
    r.run();  
};
```

You can only set cookies if the web page is from http server.

### HTTP Header parameters:

Following parameters can also be transferred within HTTP Headers:

```
gw_server, gw_port, gw_symlink, gw_user, gw_pwd
```

**Best practices:**

Don't mix your web page with JavaScript code. You should always put your JavaScript code into external files because:

- Content-Security-Policy HTTP header can block this kind of mixed content.
- This is blocked by Chrome Web Store App.
- You cannot “pretty print” your code in browser’s Developer Tool, which is helpful when the JavaScript code is minified.
- You cannot dynamically modify your code in the Developer Tool, which is really helpful on debugging and verifying your fix.
- It’s better to put the Canvas element in a DIV.
- You can have multiple Canvas elements in one page (using iframe or DIV) for multiple remote connections.

## 3.3 – Resource redirection and parameters

SparkView has resource redirection (clipboard, drive, audio redirection etc.) disabled by default for safety reasons. You need to implicitly enable them by setting up extra parameters.

Resource redirection can be enabled on both, client side using the JavaScript library and server side using the servers.json.

Resource redirection	Parameter
Clipboard	mapClipboard=on
Drive	mapDisk=on  Also need to configure tmpdir in gateway.conf
Printer	mapPrinter=on printer=Your Printer Name  You can also configure printerDriver and printer (name) in gateway.conf  You also need to install a PostScript to PDF converter or PCL to PDF converter (depends on your printer driver) on the gateway computer (no need to install it on RDP server) and configure the location and command arguments for the converter in gateway.conf:  converter = D:\Programs\gs\gs9.16\bin\gswin32c.exe arguments = -dBATCH -dNOPAUSE -dUseCIEColor -dPDFSETTINGS=/printer -sDEVICE=pdfwrite -q -sOutputFile=%1 %2
Audio Playback	playAudio=0  soundPref=0: low audio quality, low bandwidth usage. soundPref=1: high audio quality, high bandwidth usage.
Audio Input (Microphone)	audioRecord=on
Time zone	timezone= encodeURIComponent ('(GMT-07:00) Mountain Standard Time')

Please check the Administrator's Manual for all parameters you can use.

Example of "enable clipboard redirection":

```
var r = new svGlobal.Rdp('ws://gatewayAddr/RDP?server=192.168.12.117&mapClipboard=on');
```

### Frequently used parameters:

Parameter	Value
port	Integer, RDP listening port. Optional, default is 3389 for RDP, 5900 for VNC, 22 for SSH, 23 for Telnet
user	String, user name (Windows User).
pwd	String, password for user name.
domain	String, domain name.
keyboard	Integer, keyboard layout, default is 0x409 (US)
width	Integer, screen width of RDP session. Default is 800
height	Integer, screen height of RDP session. Default is 600
vmid	Hyper-V VM GUID, For example: B3D5444C-2611-405A-9CA0-7AA8DA94DF0B, it's for Hyper-V console connection.
minWidth	Minimum width, some applications can only work on a minimum resolution
minHeight	Minimum height, some applications can only work on a minimum resolution

### Printer driver issue:

**(Since version 5.7, Spark View can choose the best available driver automatically. It's not recommended to set up the printer driver unless you have special needs. The followings is for reference only)**

SparkView will use “MS Publisher Imagesetter” as the default printer driver, because all Windows have this driver installed by default. We found some problems with this driver: It woks good if you print only few pages, it'll generate huge raw printing file (>1GB) if you are printing more than 50 pages. It's better to change the printer driver in the gateway.conf:

```
printerDriver = HP Color LaserJet 8500 PS
```

You should make sure your RDP server has this printer driver installed. This is how to find a PostScript printer driver:





←  Add Printer

### Find a printer by other options

- ☐ My printer is a little older. Help me find it.
- ☐ Find a printer in the directory, based on location or feature
- ☐ Select a shared printer by name

Browse...


Example: \\computername\printername or  
http://computername/printers/printername/.printer

- ☐ Add a printer using a TCP/IP address or hostname
- ☐ Add a Bluetooth, wireless or network discoverable printer
- ☒ Add a local printer or network printer with manual settings

Next

Cancel



←  Add Printer

## Choose a printer port

A printer port is a type of connection that allows your computer to exchange information with a printer.

☒ Use an existing port:

LPT1: (Printer Port) ▼

☐ Create a new port:

Type of port:

Local Port ▼

Next

Cancel



←  Add Printer

## Install the printer driver



Choose your printer from the list. Click Windows Update to see more models.


To install the driver from an installation CD, click Have Disk.


Manufacturer


Generic


Microsoft


Printers

 Generic / Text Only

 **Generic IBM Graphics 9pin**

 Generic IBM Graphics 9pin wide

 MS Publisher Color Printer

 MS Publisher LaserWriter



This driver is digitally signed.

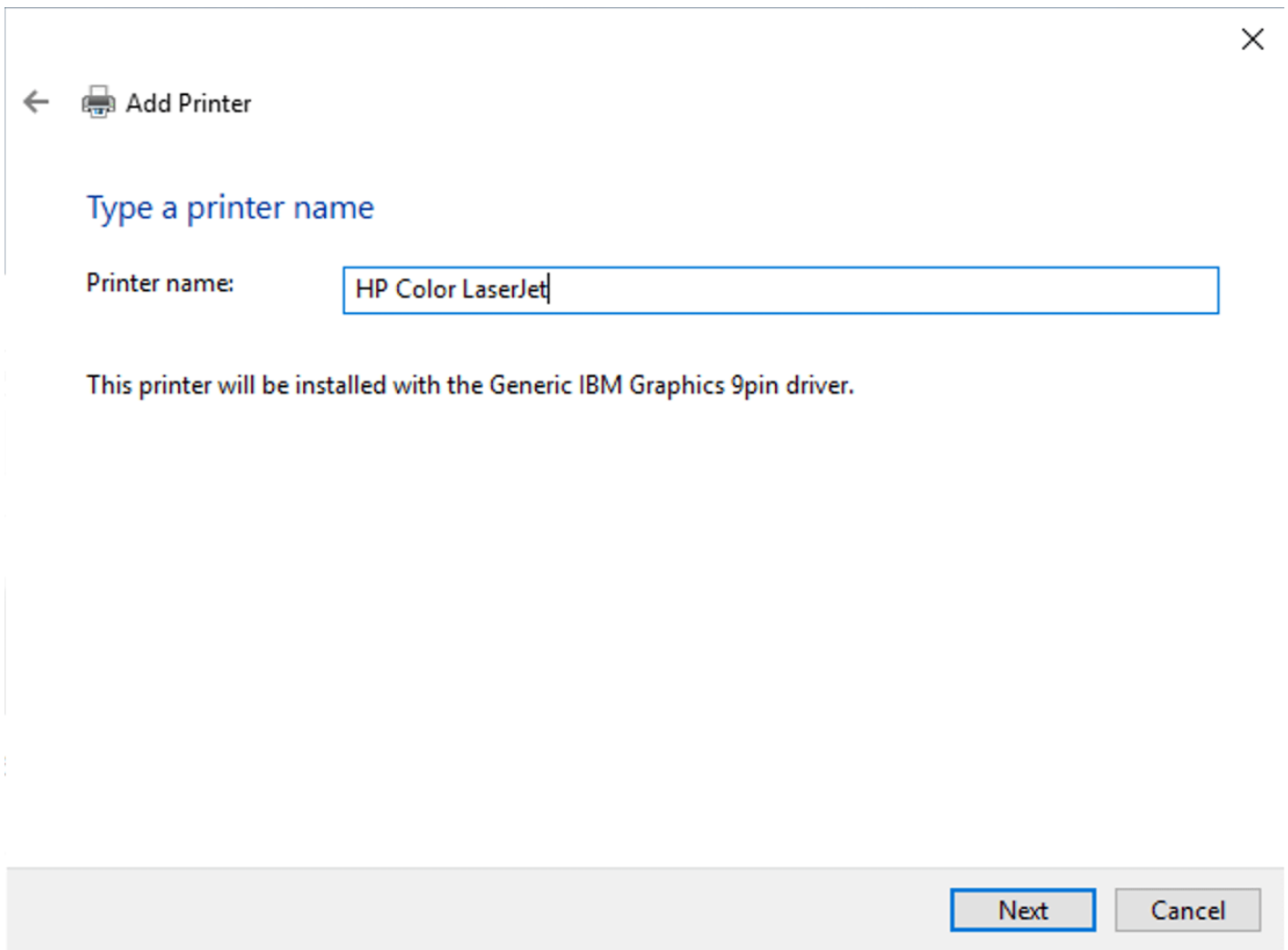
[Tell me why driver signing is important](#)

Windows Update

Have Disk...

Next

Cancel



Copy the selected printer name then “Cancel”. You don’t need to actually install it, then you set up this printer driver in gateway.conf.

Please make sure it’s a PostScript or PCL printer. You need to set up the PostScript to PDF converter or PCL to PDF converter accordingly in gateway.conf.

1. Download and install your desired printer driver
2. Set up the printer driver name in gateway.conf:

```
printerDriver = HP Universal Printing PS
```

## 3.4 – Start a program on connection (as shell)

Set up the following parameters:

```
startProgram=shell  
command=encodeURIComponent('C:\\apps\\notepad.exe')  
directory= encodeURIComponent('C:\\apps\\')
```

### Checklist:

- You may need to allow the RDP server to run any application if you are connecting to a Windows server.

## 3.5 – Start RemoteApp

Add the following parameters if you want to start the RemoteApp in current browser window:

```
startProgram=app
exe=||WINWORD
directory= encodeURIComponent('C:\\apps\\')
```

### Start RemoteApp in a new window:

```
function startRemoteApp(remoteApp, args, dir, url){
    var r = svManager.getInstance() || new svGlobal.Rdp(url); //reuse existing session if
    available

    function onSurfaceReady(surface){
        r.addSurface(surface);
        if (r.running()){
            r.startApp(remoteApp, args, dir);
        }else{
            r.run();
        }
    };
    window.svOnSurfaceReady = onSurfaceReady;
    var rail = window.open('rail.html');
    rail.svOnSurfaceReady = onSurfaceReady;
}

window.onload = function() {
    var gateway = 'w-think', //change this to your SparkView address
    server = '192.168.12.132', //change this to your RDP server address
    user = 'vmuser',
    password = 'password',
    remoteApp = '||notepad',
    args = '',
    dir = '',
    url = 'ws://' + gateway + '/RDP?server=' + server + '&startProgram=app' + '&exe=' +
    encodeURIComponent(remoteApp) + '&user=' + user + '&pwd=' + password;
    startRemoteApp(remoteApp, args, dir, url);
}
```

```
};
```

**Checklist:**

- Make sure you use the alias name of the RemoteApp and with “||” before the name.
- Make sure you publish the RemoteApp on your Windows first.

## 3.6 – Virtual Channel (VC) and Dynamic Virtual Channel extension

SparkView JavaScript client supports standard RDP virtual channel and dynamical virtual channel extension. You can create multiple virtual channels and dynamic virtual channels on client side using JavaScript (You can only create one VC before 4.0):

```
var r = new svGlobal.Rdp(protocol + gw + "/RDP?" + s, w, h, server_bpp);
var vc = new r.VirtualChannel(); //Use r.DynamicChannel to create a dynamic virtual channel
vc.name = "CUST";
vc.process = function(buffer){
    console.log(buffer.getByte());
    console.log(buffer.getLittleEndian16());
};
vc.onopen = function(){
    var data = new Array(7);
    var rb = new RdpBuffer(data, 0, 7);
    rb.setByte(1);
    rb.setLittleEndian16(345);
    rb.setLittleEndian32(567);
    rb.markEnd();
    vc.send(rb);
};
r.addChannel(vc);
```

Virtual Channel is used to communicate with RDP host. You also need to write a plug-in for the RDP host.

Please check the following for more information:

[http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa383546\(v=vs.85\).aspx](http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/aa383546(v=vs.85).aspx)

<http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/16374/How-to-Write-a-Terminal-Services-Add-in-in-Pure-C>



## 3.7 – Gateway channel

You can create multiple gateway channels to create a communication layer between client browser and the gateway:

```
var gvc = new r.GatewayChannel();
gvc.name = "gwc";
gvc.process = function(buffer){
    console.log(buffer.getByte());
    console.log(buffer.getLittleEndian16());
};
gvc.onopen = function(){
    var data = new Array(7);
    var rb = new RdpBuffer(data, 0, 7);
    rb.setByte(3);
    rb.setLittleEndian16(45);
    rb.setLittleEndian32(678);
    rb.markEnd();
    gvc.send(rb);
};
r.addGatewayChannel(gvc);
```

On gateway side, your class must extend `com.toremote.gateway.plugin.AbstractGatewayChannel` and register it with the same name using `HandlerManager.registerChannel()`. Please check the plug-in example for more information.

## 3.8 – Configuration file and others

You can use the `appcfg.js` file to configure some parameters for the client. For more information, please check the source code of the file:

`sparkview_root_directory/html/appcfg.js`

## 3.8.1 – Start up a server or application automatically after login

To start up a server or application automatically after login, you can set the following parameters in the file `html/appcfg.js`. Please ensure, that your content is placed inside the `hi5.appcfg = {}` brackets:

```
hi5.appcfg = {  
  startup: {  
    server: "", //If server is "" or not found, the first one will be opened instead.  
    newWindow: false //Open in new window  
  },  
}
```

After editing, save the file and restart SparkView.