AWS Resource Setup – Remote Desktop Setup

- 1. Open powershell
- 2. cd into directory where .pem key is stored when instance was launched
- 3. Connect to ssh in this format:

```
ssh -i <identity_key.pem> -L <desired_local_port>:127.0.0.1:8080
ubuntu@<EC2_PUBLIC_IPV4_ADDRESS>
```

**Use the Public IPv4 DNS ip

- 4. Once ssh is accessed, run the following terminal commands...
 - a. Update system packages

```
sudo apt-get update
```

b. Install rdp

sudo apt install xrdp

c. Enable rdp

sudo systemctl enable xrdp

d. Installs UI desktop, (takes a few minutes)

sudo apt install ubuntu-desktop

e. Set password for UI login (password does not show up while typing)

sudo passwd ubuntu

- f. ***Prevent issues with auto-start (xrdp appears to start a bit too early leading to a timeout.)
 - i. In terminal type this command

```
sudo systemctl edit xrdp.service
```

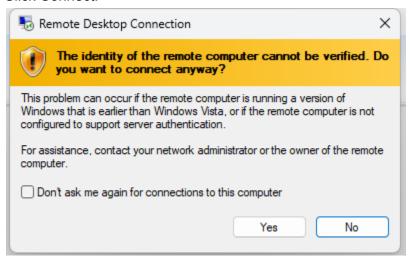
ii. An empty file should appear. Paste this:

```
[Unit] After=multi-user.target network.target \
xrdp-sesman.service
```

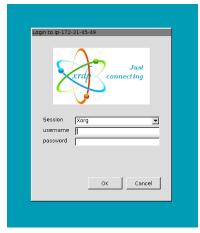
g. Then ctrl+x then enter to exit

5. Windows Remote Connection:

- a. On Windows PC, open up Remote Desktop Connection Application
- b. Log on to remote desktop with the Public IPV4 address and port 3389
 - i. Should be in the format IPV4:3389
- c. Click Connect.



- d. Click Yes.
- e. This screen/dialog box should appear:



- f. Username is ubuntu; password is what you previously set in the terminal configuration
- g. It may take a second to log on, the screen should turn black, gray, and then purple once Ubuntu boots