Step-by-Step: Connect Kali Linux to PuTTY

On Kali Linux (Server Side)

• 1. Install the SSH server (if not already installed):

Open the terminal and run:

sudo apt update

sudo apt install openssh-server

2. Start the SSH service:

sudo systemctl start ssh

• 3. Enable SSH on boot (optional):

sudo systemctl enable ssh

4. Check SSH status:

sudo systemctl status ssh

• 5. Find your Kali IP address:

ip a

or

hostname -I

Note the IP address (e.g., 192.168.1.100)

On Windows (Client Side using PuTTY)

• 1. Download and open PuTTY

Official site: https://www.putty.org

- 2. Enter IP Address
 - In PuTTY:
 - o Host Name (or IP address): enter Kali IP (e.g., 192.168.1.100)
 - o Port: 22 (default for SSH)
 - o Connection type: SSH (make sure it's selected)

- 3. Click "Open"
- 4. Login Prompt Appears
 - Enter your Kali Linux username (e.g., kali)
 - Then enter your **password**

You are now logged into your Kali Linux system remotely through PuTTY!

Troubleshooting Tips

Problem	Solution
"Connection refused"	SSH service may not be running. Run sudo systemctl start ssh on Kali.
"Network unreachable"	Make sure both Windows and Kali are on the same network.
Login fails	Double-check your username and password.