Objective: Connect to Columbus State University Virtual Private Network (VPN)

Goal: The VPN provides secure remote access to the CSU network. This network hosts a Linux machine that will be used throughout the class to complete assignments and to expand your knowledge of other platforms and languages.

Visual Tutorial: A Ogg video (an open audio/video format) is available on the course website outlining the necessary steps to successfully connect to the CSU VPN. To view this video in a web browser you will need to use something more sophisticated than Internet Explorer such as Firefox or Chrome. You may also download the video and view it using VLC or similar non-Microsoft application.

Steps:

1. Open a web browser and enter the URL https://v1.colstate.edu:10443/remote/login

2. Enter your Username and Password to access the VPN. The login credentials is the same as your Novell login.

3. If this is the first time connecting to the VPN you will be instructed to install the Fotinet VPN client. A link is provided near the top of the page for the Microsoft installer. Note: I am unaware of a *nix client, you must use Windows.
   1. If you installed Forinet for the first time (step 3), you must restart your web browser now.
   2. Repeat step 1 and 2.

4. Click connect to activate your VPN session. You have successfully accessed the CSU VPN. You may now need to refer to the 'Putty' tutorial to understand how to access the CPSC 5135 Linux machine.