

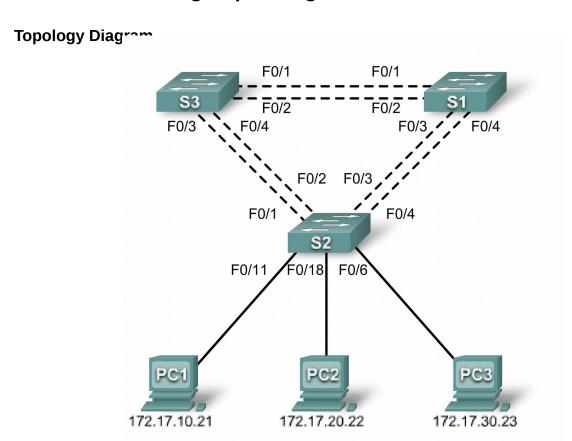
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Lab 4-02: Challenge Spanning Tree Protocol



Addressing Table

Device (Hostname)	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask	Default Gateway
S1	VLAN 99	172.17.99.11	255.255.255.0	N/A
S2	VLAN 99	172.17.99.12	255.255.255.0	N/A
S3	VLAN 99	172.17.99.13	255.255.255.0	N/A
PC1	NIC	172.17.10.21	255.255.255.0	172.17.10.12
PC2	NIC	172.17.20.22	255.255.255.0	172.17.20.12
PC3	NIC	172.17.30.23	255.255.255.0	172.17.30.12

Port Assignments – Switch 2

Ports	Assignment	Network
Fa0/1 - 0/4	802.1q Trunks (Native VLAN 99)	172.17.99.0 /24
Fa0/5 - 0/10	VLAN 30 - Guest (Default)	172.17.30.0 /24
Fa0/11 - 0/17	VLAN 10 – Faculty/Staff	172.17.10.0 /24
Fa0/18 - 0/24	VLAN 20 – Students	172.17.20.0 /24

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this lab, you will be able to:

- Cable a network according to the topology diagram
- Erase the startup configuration and reload the default configuration, setting a switch to the default state
- Perform basic configuration tasks on a switch
- Configure VLAN Trunking Protocol (VTP) on all switches
- Observe and explain the default behavior of Spanning Tree Protocol (STP, 802.1D)
- Modify the placement of the spanning tree root
- Observe the response to a change in the spanning tree topology
- Explain the limitations of 802.1D STP in supporting continuity of service
- Configure Rapid STP (802.1W)
- Observe and explain the improvements offered by Rapid STP

Task 1: Prepare the Network

Step 1: Cable a network that is similar to the one in the topology diagram.

You can use any current switch in your lab as long as it has the required interfaces shown in the topology diagram. The output shown in this lab is based on Cisco 2960 switches. Other switch models may produce different output.

Set up console connections to all three switches.

Step 2: Clear any existing configurations on the switches.

Clear NVRAM, delete the vlan.dat file, and reload the switches. Refer to Lab 2.5.1 for the procedure. After the reload is complete, use the **show vlan** privileged EXEC command to confirm that only default VLANs exist and that all ports are assigned to VLAN 1.

Switch#show vlan

VLAN	Name	Status	Ports
1	default	active	Fa0/1, Fa0/2, Fa0/3, Fa0/4 Fa0/5, Fa0/6, Fa0/7, Fa0/8 Fa0/9, Fa0/10, Fa0/11, Fa0/12 Fa0/13, Fa0/14, Fa0/15, Fa0/16 Fa0/17, Fa0/18, Fa0/19, Fa0/20 Fa0/21, Fa0/22, Fa0/23, Fa0/24

Gig1/1, Gig1/2

1002	fddi-default	active
1003	token-ring-default	active
1004	fddinet-default	active
1005	trnet-default	active

Step 3: Disable all ports by using the shutdown command.

Ensure that the initial switch port states are inactive with the **shutdown** command. Use the **interface-range** command to simplify this task. Repeat these commands on each switch.

```
Switch(config)#interface range fa0/1-24
Switch(config-if-range)#shutdow n
Switch(config-if-range)#interface range gi0/1-2
Switch(config-if-range)#shutdow n
```

Task 2: Perform Basic Switch Configurations

Configure the S1, S2, and S3 switches according to the following guidelines:

- Configure the switch hostname.
- Disable DNS lookup.
- Configure an EXEC mode password of class.
- Configure a password of cisco for console connections.
- Configure a password of cisco for vty connections.

(Output for S1 shown)

```
Switch>enable
Switch#configure term inal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Switch(config)#hostnam e S1
S1(config)#enable secret class
S1(config)#no ip dom ain-lookup
S1(config)#line console 0
S1(config-line)#password cisco
S1(config-line)#login
S1(config-line)#line vty 0 15
S1(config-line)#password cisco
S1(config-line)#login
S1(config-line)#end
%SYS-5-CONFIG_I: Configured from console by console
S1#copy running-conf i startup-conf i
Destination filename [startup-config]?
Building configuration...
[OK]
```

Task 3: Configure Host PCs

Configure the Ethernet interfaces of PC1, PC2, and PC3 with the IP address, subnet mask, and gateway indicated in the addressing table at the beginning of the lab.

Task 4: Configure VLANs

Step 1: Configure VTP.

Configure VTP on the three switches using the following table. Remember that VTP domain names and passwords are case-sensitive. The default operating mode is server.

Switch Name	VTP Operating Mode	VTP Domain	VTP Password
S1	Server	Lab5	cisco
S2	Client	Lab5	cisco
S3	Client	Lab5	cisco

```
S1(config)#vtp m ode server
Device mode already VTP SERVER.
S1(config)#vtp dom ain Lab5
Changing VTP domain name from NULL to Lab5
S1(config)#vtp passw ord cisco
Setting device VLAN database password to cisco
S1(config)#end
S2(config)#vtp m ode client
Setting device to VTP CLIENT mode
S2(config)#vtp dom ain Lab5
Changing VTP domain name from NULL to Lab5
S2(config)#vtp passw ord cisco
Setting device VLAN database password to cisco
S2(config)#end
S3(config)#vtp m ode client
Setting device to VTP CLIENT mode
S3(config)#vtp dom ain Lab5
Changing VTP domain name from NULL to Lab5
S3(config)#vtp passw ord cisco
Setting device VLAN database password to cisco
S3(config)#end
```

Step 2: Configure Trunk Links and Native VLAN

Configure trunking ports and native VLAN. For each switch, configure ports Fa0/1 through Fa0/4 as trunking ports. Designate VLAN 99 as the native VLAN for these trunks. Use the **interface range** command in global configuration mode to simplify this task. Remember that these ports were disabled in a previous step and must be re-enabled using the **no shutdown** command.

```
S1(config)#interface range fa0/1-4
S1(config-if-range)#sw itchport m ode trunk
S1(config-if-range)#sw itchport trunk native vlan 99
S1(config-if-range)#no shutdow n
S1(config-if-range)#end
S2(config)# interface range fa0/1-4
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport m ode trunk
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport trunk native vlan 99
S2(config-if-range)#no shutdow n
S2(config-if-range)#end
S3(config-if-range)#sw itchport m ode trunk
S3(config-if-range)#sw itchport m ode trunk
S3(config-if-range)#sw itchport trunk native vlan 99
S3(config-if-range)#sw itchport trunk native vlan 99
S3(config-if-range)#no shutdow n
S3(config-if-range)#no shutdow n
```

Step 3: Configure the VTP server with VLANs.

VTP allows you to configure VLANs on the VTP server and have those VLANs populated to the VTP clients in the domain. This ensures consistency in the VLAN configuration across the network.

Configure the following VLANS on the VTP server:

VLAN	VLAN Name
VLAN 99	management
VLAN 10	faculty-staff
VLAN 20	students
VLAN 30	guest

```
S1(config)#vlan 99
S1(config-vlan)#nam e m anagem ent
S1(config-vlan)#exit
S1(config)#vlan 10
S1(config-vlan)#nam e faculty-staff
S1(config-vlan)#exit
S1(config)#vlan 20
S1(config-vlan)#nam e students
S1(config-vlan)#exit
S1(config)#vlan 30
S1(config-vlan)#nam e guest
S1(config-vlan)#exit
```

Step 4: Verify the VLANs.

Use the **show vlan brief** command on S2 and S3 to verify that all four VLANs have been distributed to the client switches.

S2#show vlan brief

VLAN	Name	Status	Ports
1	default	active	Fa0/1, Fa0/2, Fa0/4, Fa0/5 Fa0/6, Fa0/7, Fa0/8, Fa0/9 Fa0/10, Fa0/11, Fa0/12, Fa0/13 Fa0/14, Fa0/15, Fa0/16, Fa0/17 Fa0/18, Fa0/19, Fa0/20, Fa0/21 Fa0/22, Fa0/23, Fa0/24, Gi0/1 Gi0/2
10 20 30 99	faculty-staff students guest management	active active active active	
S3# s	how vlan brief		
VLAN	Name	Status	Ports
1	default	active	Fa0/1, Fa0/2, Fa0/4, Fa0/5 Fa0/6, Fa0/7, Fa0/8, Fa0/9

```
Fa0/10, Fa0/11, Fa0/12, Fa0/13
Fa0/14, Fa0/15, Fa0/16, Fa0/17
Fa0/18, Fa0/19, Fa0/20, Fa0/21
Fa0/22, Fa0/23, Fa0/24, Gi0/1
Gi0/2
```

```
10faculty-staffactive20studentsactive30guestactive99managementactive
```

Step 5: Configure the management interface address on all three switches.

```
S1(config)#in terface vlan99
S1(config-if)#ip address 172.17.99.11 255.255.255.0
S1(config-if)#no shutdown
S2(config)#in terface vlan99
S2(config-if)#ip address 172.17.99.12 255.255.255.0
S2(config-if)#no shutdown
S3(config-if)#no shutdown
S3(config-if)#ip address 172.17.99.13 255.255.255.0
S3(config-if)#no shutdown
Verify that the switches are correctly configured by pinging between them. From S1, ping the management interface on S2 and S3. From S2, ping the management interface on S3.
Were the pings successful? _______Yes_____
```

If not, troubleshoot the switch configurations and try again.

Step 6: Assign switch ports to the VLANs.

Assign ports to VLANs on S2. Refer to the port assignments table at the beginning of the lab.

```
S2(config)#interface range fa0/5-10
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport mode access
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport access vlan 30
S2(config-if-range)#interface range fa0/11-17
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport mode access
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport access vlan 10
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport mode access
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport mode access
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport mode access
S2(config-if-range)#sw itchport access vlan 20
S2(config-if-range)#end
S2#copy running-config startup-config
Destination filename [startup-config]? [enter]
Building configuration...
[OK]
S2#
```

Step 7: Re-enable the user ports on S2.

Refer to the topology diagram to determine which switch ports on S2 are activated for end-user device access. These three ports will be enabled with the **no shutdown** command.

```
S2(config)#interface range fa0/6, fa0/11, fa0/18
S2(config-if-range)#no shutdown
```

Task 5: Configure Spanning Tree

Step 1: Examine the default configuration of 802.1D STP.

On each switch, display the spanning tree table with the **show spanning-tree** command. The output is shown for S1 only. Root selection varies depending on the BID of each switch in your lab.

S1#show spanning-tree

VLAN0001

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 32769

> 0019.068d.6980 Address

This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32769 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 1)

Address 0019.068d.6980 Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role	Sts	Cost	Prio.Nbr	Туре
Fa0/1	Desg			128.3	P2p
Fa0/2	Desg	FWD	19	128.4	P2p
Fa0/3	Desg	FWD	19	128.5	P2p
Fa0/4	Desg	FWD	19	128.6	P2p

VLAN0010

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 32778

> Address 0019.068d.6980

This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32778 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 10)
Address 0019.068d.6980
Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role	Sts	Cost	Prio.Nbr	Туре
Fa0/1	Desg	FWD	19	128.3	P2p
Fa0/2	Desg	FWD	19	128.4	P2p
Fa0/3	Desg	FWD	19	128.5	P2p
Fa0/4	Desg	FWD	19	128.6	P2p

VLAN0020

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 32788

> Address 0019.068d.6980

This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32788 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 20)

0019.068d.6980 Address

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface Role Sts Cost Prio.Nbr Type

Fa0/1	Desg FWD 19	128.3	P2p
Fa0/2	Desg FWD 19	128.4	P2p
Fa0/3	Desg FWD 19	128.5	P2p
Fa0/4	Desg FWD 19	128.6	P2p

VLAN0030

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 32798

> 0019.068d.6980 Address

This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32798 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 30)

Address 0019.068d.6980

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role S	Sts	Cost	Prio.Nbr	Туре
Fa0/1	Desg I	FWD	19	128.3	P2p
Fa0/2	Desg I	FWD	19	128.4	P2p
Fa0/3	Desg I	FWD	19	128.5	P2p
Fa0/4	Desg I	FWD	19	128.6	P2p

VLAN0099

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 32867

> Address 0019.068d.6980

This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99)

0019.068d.6980 Address

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role Sts Cost	Prio.Nbr Type
Fa0/1 Fa0/2 Fa0/3 Fa0/4	Desg FWD 19 Desg FWD 19 Desg FWD 19 Desg FWD 19	128.3 P2p 128.4 P2p 128.5 P2p 128.6 P2p

Note that there are five instances of the spanning tree on each switch. The default STP configuration on Cisco switches is Per-VLAN Spanning Tree (PVST+), which creates a separate spanning tree for each VLAN (VLAN 1 and any user-configured VLANs).

Examine the VLAN 99 spanning tree for all three switches:

S1#show spanning-tree vlan 99

VLAN0099

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID 32867 Priority

> 0019.068d.6980 Address This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID	Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99)
	Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99) Address 0019.068d.6980
	Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec Aging Time 300
Interface	Role Sts Cost Prio.Nbr Type
Fa0/1	Desa FWD 19 128.3 P2p
Fa0/2	Desg FWD 19 128.4 P2p Desg FWD 19 128.5 P2p
Fa0/3 Fa0/4	Desg FWD 19 128.6 P2p
S2# show spa	nning-tree vlan 99
VLAN0099	
Spanning t	ree enabled protocol ieee Priority 32867
ROOC ID	Address 0019.068d.6980 This is the MAC address of the root switch (S1 in
this case)	
	Cost 19 Port 3 (FastEthernet0/3)
	Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
Bridge ID	Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99)
	Address 001b.0c68.2080 Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
	Aging Time 15
Interface	Role Sts Cost Prio.Nbr Type
	Desa FWD 19 128 1 P2n
Fa0/2	Desg FWD 19 128.2 P2p
Fa0/3	Desg FWD 19 128.1 P2p Desg FWD 19 128.2 P2p Root FWD 19 128.3 P2p Altn BLK 19 128.4 P2p
	nning-tree vlan 99
VLAN0099	
Spanning t	ree enabled protocol ieee
Root ID	Priority 32867 Address 0019.068d.6980 This is the MAC address of the root switch (S1 in
this case)	
	Cost 19 Port 1 (FastEthernet0/1)
	Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
Bridge ID	Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99)
	Address 001b.5303.1700 Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
	Aging Time 300
Interface	Role Sts Cost Prio.Nbr Type
Fa0/1	Root FWD 19 128.1 P2p
Fa0/2 Fa0/3	Altn <mark>BLK 19</mark> 128.2 P2p Altn <mark>BLK 19</mark> 128.3 P2p
Fa0/3 Fa0/4	Altn <mark>BLK 19</mark>

Step 2: Examine the output.

Answer the following questions based on the output.

1.	. What is the bridge ID priority for switches S1, S2, and S3 on VLAN 99?					
	a. S132867					
	b. S232867					
	c. S332867					
2.	What is the bridge ID priority for S1 on VLANs 10, 20, 30, and 99?					
	a. VLAN 10 _32778					
	b. VLAN 2032788					
	c. VLAN 30_32798					
	d. VLAN 9932867					
3.	Which switch is the root for the VLAN 99 spanning tree?Switch1					
4.	On VLAN 99, which spanning tree ports are in the blocking state on the root switch? None					
5.	On VLAN 99, which spanning tree ports are in the blocking state on the non-root switches?S2:Fa0/1,Fa0/2,Fa0/4m S3:Fa0/2					
6.	How does STP elect the root switch?Bridge ID Priority					
7.	Since the bridge priorities are all the same, what else does the switch use to determine the root?					

Task 6: Optimizing STP

__Bridge ID Address

Because there is a separate instance of the spanning tree for every active VLAN, a separate root election is conducted for each instance. If the default switch priorities are used in root selection, the same root is elected for every spanning tree, as we have seen. This could lead to an inferior design. Some reasons to control the selection of the root switch include:

- The root switch is responsible for generating BPDUs in STP 802.1D and is the focal point for spanning tree control traffic. The root switch must be capable of handling this additional processing load.
- The placement of the root defines the active switched paths in the network. Random placement is likely to lead to suboptimal paths. Ideally the root is in the distribution layer.
- Consider the topology used in this lab. Of the six trunks configured, only two are carrying traffic. While this prevents loops, it is a waste of resources. Because the root can be defined on the basis of the VLAN, you can have some ports blocking for one VLAN and forwarding for another. This is demonstrated below.

In this example, it has been determined that the root selection using default values has led to underutilization of the available switch trunks. Therefore, it is necessary to force another switch to become the root switch for VLAN 99 to impose some load-sharing on the trunks.

Selection of the root switch is accomplished by changing the spanning-tree priority for the VLAN. Because the default root switch may vary in your lab environment, we will configure S1 and S3 to be the root switches for specific VLANs. The default priority, as you have observed, is 32768 plus the VLAN ID. The lower number indicates a higher priority for root selection. Set the priority for VLAN 99 on S3 to 4096.

S3(config)#spanning-tree vlan 99 ?

```
forward-time Set the forward delay for the spanning tree
hello-time
             Set the hello interval for the spanning tree
             Set the max age interval for the spanning tree
max-age
             Set the bridge priority for the spanning tree
priority
```

Configure switch as root root <cr>

S3(config)#spanning-tree vlan 99 priority?

<0-61440> bridge priority in increments of 4096

S3(config)#spanning-tree vlan 99 priority 4096 S3(config)#exit

Set the priority for VLANs 1, 10, 20, and 30 on S1 to 4096. Once again, the lower number indicates a higher priority for root selection.

S1(config)#spanning-tree vlan 1 priority 4096 S1(config)#spanning-tree vlan 10 priority 4096 S1(config)#spanning-tree vlan 20 priority 4096 S1(config)#spanning-tree vlan 30 priority 4096 S1(config)#exit

Give the switches a little time to recalculate the spanning tree and then check the tree for VLAN 99 on switch S1 and switch S3.

S1#show spanning-tree vlan 99

VLAN0099

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 4195

Address 001b.5303.1700 This is now the MAC address of S3, (the new root

switch)

Cost

Port 3 (FastEthernet0/1)

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 32867 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 99)

> Address 0019.068d.6980

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role	Sts	Cost	Prio.Nbr	Туре
Fa0/1	Root	FWD	19	128.3	P2p
Fa0/2	Altn	BLK	19	128.4	P2p
Fa0/3	Desg	FWD	19	128.5	P2p
Fa0/4	Desg	FWD	19	128.6	P2p

S3#show spanning-tree vlan 99

VLAN0099

Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee

Root ID Priority 4195

> Address 001b.5303.1700 This bridge is the root

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Bridge ID Priority 4195 (priority 4096 sys-id-ext 99)

001b.5303.1700 Address

Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec

Aging Time 300

Interface	Role Sts Co	ost Prio.Nbr	Туре		
Fa0/1	Desg FWD 19	128.1	P2p		
Fa0/2	Desg FWD 19	128.2	P2p		
Fa0/3	Desg FWD 19	128.3	P2p		
Fa0/4	Desg FWD 19	128.4	P2p		
Which switch is the root for VLAN 99?S3					
On VLAN 99, which spanning tree ports are in the blocking state on the new root switch?None					
On VLAN 99, which spanning tree ports are in the blocking state on the old root switch?Fa0/2					

Compare the S3 VLAN 99 spanning tree above with the S3 VLAN 10 spanning tree.

S3#show spanning-tree vlan 10

```
VLAN0010
```

```
Spanning tree enabled protocol ieee
Root ID
          Priority
                      4106
          Address
                      0019.068d.6980
          Cost
                      19
          Port
                      1 (FastEthernet0/1)
          Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
Bridge ID Priority
                      32778 (priority 32768 sys-id-ext 10)
          Address
                      001b.5303.1700
          Hello Time 2 sec Max Age 20 sec Forward Delay 15 sec
          Aging Time 300
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```

Interface	Role	Sts	Cost	Prio.Nbr	Type
Fa0/1	Root	FWD	19	128.1	P2p
Fa0/2	Altn	BLK	19	128.2	P2p
Fa0/3	Altn	BLK	19	128.3	P2p
Fa0/4	Altn	BLK	19	128.4	P2p

Note that S3 can now use all four ports for VLAN 99 traffic as long as they are not blocked at the other end of the trunk. However, the original spanning tree topology, with three of four S3 ports in blocking mode, is still in place for the four other active VLANs. By configuring groups of VLANs to use different trunks as their primary forwarding path, we retain the redundancy of failover trunks, without having to leaves trunks totally unused.

Task 7: Observe the response to the topology change in 802.1D STP

To observe continuity across the LAN during a topology change, first reconfigure PC3, which is connected to port S2 Fa0/6, with IP address 172.17.99.23 255.255.25.0. Then reassign S2 port Fa0/6 to VLAN 99. This allows you to continuously ping across the LAN from the host.

```
S2(config)# interface fa0/6
S2(config-if)#sw itchport access vlan 99
```

Verify that the switches can ping the host.

```
S2#ping 172.17.99.23
```

Type escape sequence to abort.

```
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 172.17.99.23, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/202/1007 ms
```

S1#ping 172.17.99.23

```
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 172.17.99.23, timeout is 2 seconds:
11111
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/202/1007 ms
```

Put S1 in spanning-tree event debug mode to monitor changes during the topology change.

```
S1#debug spanning-tree events
Spanning Tree event debugging is on
```

Open a command window on PC3 and begin a continuous ping to the S1 management interface with the command ping -t 172.17.99.11. Now disconnect the trunks on S1 Fa0/1 and Fa0/3. Monitor the pings. They will begin to time out as connectivity across the LAN is interrupted. As soon as connectivity has been re-established, terminate the pings by pressing Ctrl-C.

Below is a shortened version of the debug output you will see on S1 (several TCNs are omitted for brevity).

```
S1#debug spanning-tree events
Spanning Tree event debugging is on
S1#
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 new root port Fa0/2, cost 19
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 Fa0/2 -> listening
6d08h: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface FastEthernet0/1,
changed state to down
6d08h: %LINK-3-UPDOWN: Interface FastEthernet0/1, changed state to down
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 sent Topology Change Notice on Fa0/2
6d08h: STP: VLAN0030 Topology Change rcvd on Fa0/2
6d08h: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface FastEthernet0/3,
changed state to down
6d08h: %LINK-3-UPDOWN: Interface FastEthernet0/3, changed state to down
6d08h: STP: VLAN0001 Topology Change rcvd on Fa0/4
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 Fa0/2 -> learning
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 sent Topology Change Notice on Fa0/2
6d08h: STP: VLAN0099 Fa0/2 -> forwarding
6d08h: STP: VLAN0001 Topology Change rcvd on Fa0/4
```

Recall that when the ports are in listening and learning mode, they are not forwarding frames, and the LAN is essentially down. The spanning tree recalculation can take up to 50 seconds to complete – a significant interruption in network services. The output of the continuous pings shows the actual interruption time. In this case, it was about 30 seconds. While 802.1D STP effectively prevents switching loops, this long restoration time is considered a serious drawback in the high availability LANs of today.

```
C:\WINDOWS\System32\cmd.exe
                                                                                                                                                                _ O X
                                                                                                                                                                          .
C:\Documents and Settings\mclaukev>ping -t 172.17.99.11
Pinging 172.17.99.11 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 172.17.99.11: bytes=32 time<1ms ITL=255
Request timed out.
Reply from 172.17.99.11: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=255
Reply from 172.17.99.11: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=255
```

Figure 1. These pings show a 30-second lapse in connectivity while the spanning tree is recalculated.

Task 8: Configure PVST Rapid Spanning Tree Protocol

Cisco has developed several features to address the slow convergence times associated with standard STP. PortFast, UplinkFast, and BackboneFast are features that, when properly configured, can dramatically reduce the time required to restore connectivity. Incorporating these features requires manual configuration, and care must be taken to do it correctly. The longer term solution is Rapid STP (RSTP), 802.1w, which incorporates these features among others. RSTP-PVST is configured as follows:

```
S1(config)#spanning-tree m ode rapid-pvst
```

Configure all three switches in this manner.

Use the command **show spanning-tree summary** to verify that RSTP is enabled.

Task 9: Observe the convergence time of RSTP

Begin by restoring the trunks you disconnected in Task 7, if you have not already done so (ports Fa0/1 and Fa0/3 on S1). Then follow these steps in Task 7:

- Set up host PC3 to continuously ping across the network.
- Enable spanning-tree event debugging on switch S1.
- Disconnect the cables connected to ports Fa0/1 and Fa0/3.
- Observe the time required to re-establish a stable spanning tree.

Below is the partial debug output:

```
S1#debug spanning-tree events
Spanning Tree event debugging is on
6d10h: RSTP(99): updt rolesroot port Fa0/3 is going down
6d10h: RSTP(99): Fa0/2 is now root port Connectivity has been restored; less than 1
second interruption
6d10h: RSTP(99): syncing port Fa0/1
6d10h: RSTP(99): syncing port Fa0/4
6d10h: RSTP(99): transmitting a proposal on Fa0/1
6d10h: RSTP(99): transmitting a proposal on Fa0/4
6d10h: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface FastEthernet0/3,
changed state to down
6d10h: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface FastEthernet0/1,
changed state to down
```

The restoration time with RSTP enabled was less than a second, and not a single ping was dropped.

Task 10: Clean Up

Erase the configurations and reload the default configurations for the switches. Disconnect and store the cabling. For PC hosts that are normally connected to other networks (such as the school LAN or to the Internet), reconnect the appropriate cabling and restore the TCP/IP settings.

Final Configurations

Switch S1

```
hostname S1
enable secret class
```

```
no ip domain-lookup
spanning-tree mode rapid-pvst
spanning-tree extend system-id
spanning-tree vlan 1 priority 4096
spanning-tree vlan 10 priority 4096
spanning-tree vlan 20 priority 4096
spanning-tree vlan 30 priority 4096
interface FastEthernet0/1
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/2
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/3
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/4
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/5
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/6
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/7
 shutdown
(remaining port configuration ommitted - all non-used ports are shutdown)
interface Vlan1
 no ip address
no ip route-cache
interface Vlan99
 ip address 172.17.99.11 255.255.255.0
no ip route-cache
line con 0
 password cisco
 login
line vty 0 4
 password cisco
 login
line vty 5 15
 password cisco
 login
!
end
```

Switch S2

```
hostname S2
enable secret class
no ip domain-lookup
interface FastEthernet0/1
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/2
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/3
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/4
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/5
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/6
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
interface FastEthernet0/7
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/8
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/9
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/10
 switchport access vlan 30
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/11
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
interface FastEthernet0/12
```

```
switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/13
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/14
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/15
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/16
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/17
 switchport access vlan 10
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/18
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
interface FastEthernet0/19
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/20
switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/21
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/22
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/23
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
```

```
interface FastEthernet0/24
 switchport access vlan 20
 switchport mode access
 shutdown
interface GigabitEthernet0/1
 shutdown
interface GigabitEthernet0/2
 shutdown
interface Vlan1
 no ip address
 no ip route-cache
interface Vlan99
 ip address 172.17.99.12 255.255.255.0
 no ip route-cache
line con 0
line vty 0 4
 password cisco
 login
line vty 5 15
 password cisco
 login
!
end
```

Switch S3

```
hostname S3
enable secret class
no ip domain-lookup
spanning-tree mode rapid-pvst
spanning-tree extend system-id
spanning-tree vlan 99 priority 4096
interface FastEthernet0/1
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/2
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/3
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
interface FastEthernet0/4
 switchport trunk native vlan 99
 switchport mode trunk
```

```
interface FastEthernet0/5
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/6
 shutdown
interface FastEthernet0/7
 shutdown
(remaining port configuration ommitted - all non-used ports are shutdown)
interface Vlan1
 no ip address
 no ip route-cache
 shutdown
interface Vlan99
 ip address 172.17.99.13 255.255.255.0
 no ip route-cache
line con 0
 password cisco
 login
line vty 0 4
 password cisco
 login
line vty 5 15
 password cisco
 login
end
```