

**University Lab Networking** 

COMPUTER NETWORKS
PROJECT REPORT

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# Report: Networking Functions in University Lab Setup

### **OVERVIEW**

This project report outlines the configuration and testing of a networking system for a university lab. The network was set up using various servers, routers, switches, and configurations to ensure seamless communication, efficient resource sharing, and network management.

# **Key Functions and Configurations**

### SERVER CONFIGURATION

#### **DHCP Configuration**

- Setup of Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) to assign IP addresses automatically to devices within the network.
- Ensures dynamic allocation of IP addresses to improve manageability.

## **DNS Configuration**

- Implementation of the Domain Name System (DNS) to resolve domain names to IP addresses.
- Enhances user accessibility by translating human-friendly names into machine-friendly IP addresses.

## **HTTP Configuration**

- Configuring an HTTP server to serve web pages within the network.
- Modifications were demonstrated by adding new HTTP files, showing changes before and after deployment.

#### **ROUTER CONFIGURATION**

Three routers were configured as follows:

*Router 1:* Primary routing functions and network segmentation.

<u>Router 2 & 3</u>: Interconnectivity and redundancy. Each router was tailored to meet specific network topology and traffic flow requirements.

### LAYER 3 SWITCH CONFIGURATION

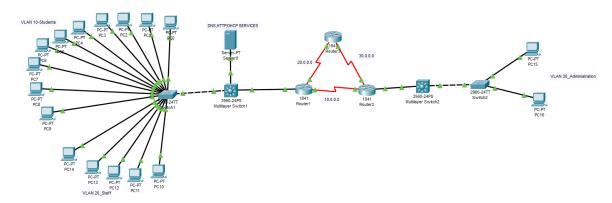
Two Layer 3 switches were set up to handle inter-VLAN routing. These configurations helped:

- Combine routing and switching functionalities.
- Improve data transfer efficiency and reduce latency in intra-network communications.

## **LAYER 2 SWITCH CONFIGURATION**

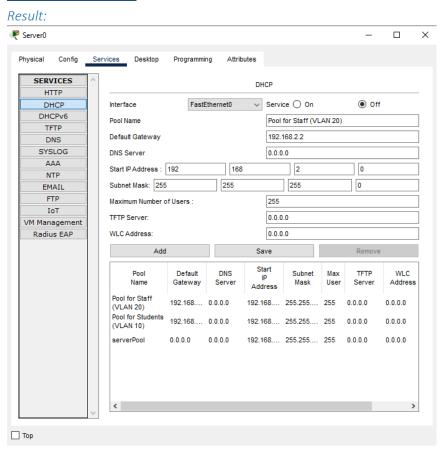
Layer 2 switches were configured to facilitate basic switching functions like MAC address learning and forwarding.

# Design



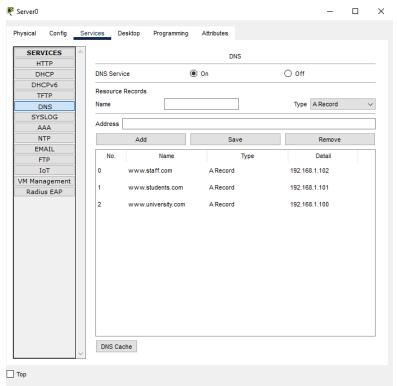
# **SERVER CONFIGURATION**

# **DHCP Configuration:**



# **DNS Configuration:**

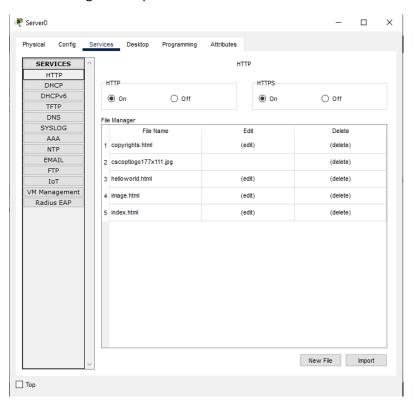
### Result:



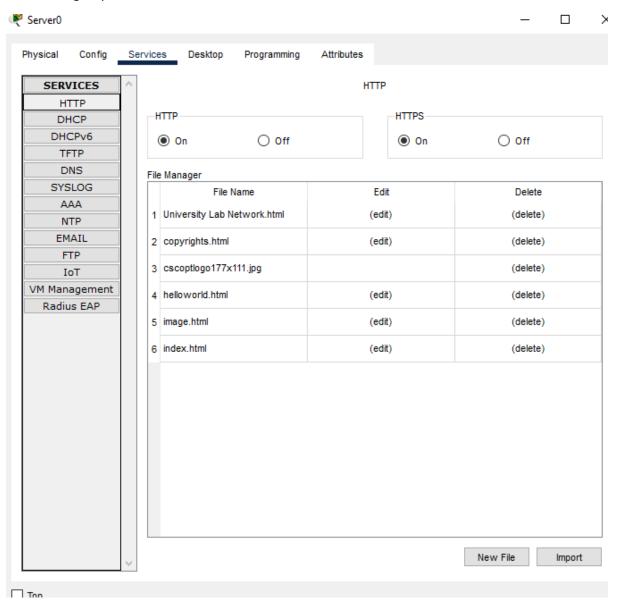
# **HTTP Configuration:**

#### Result:

Before adding new http file:

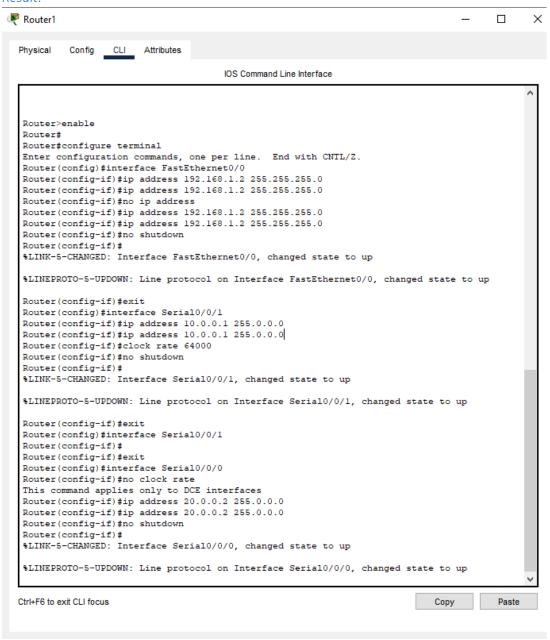


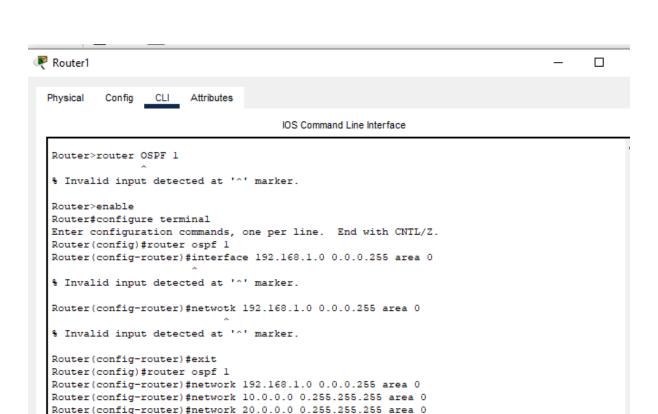
# After adding http file:



### **ROUTER CONFIGURATION**

### Router 1 Configuration:





Router(config-router)#exit Router(config)#exit

Building configuration...

%SYS-5-CONFIG\_I: Configured from console by console

Translating "end"...domain server (255.255.255.255)

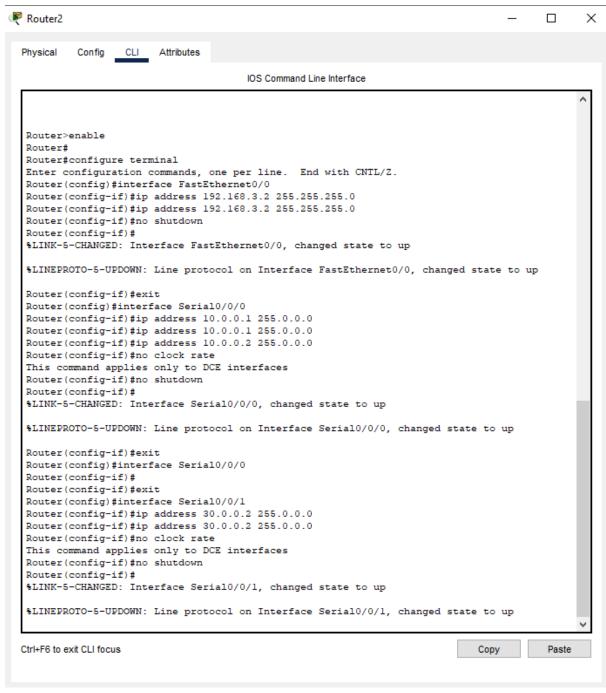
% Unknown command or computer name, or unable to find computer address

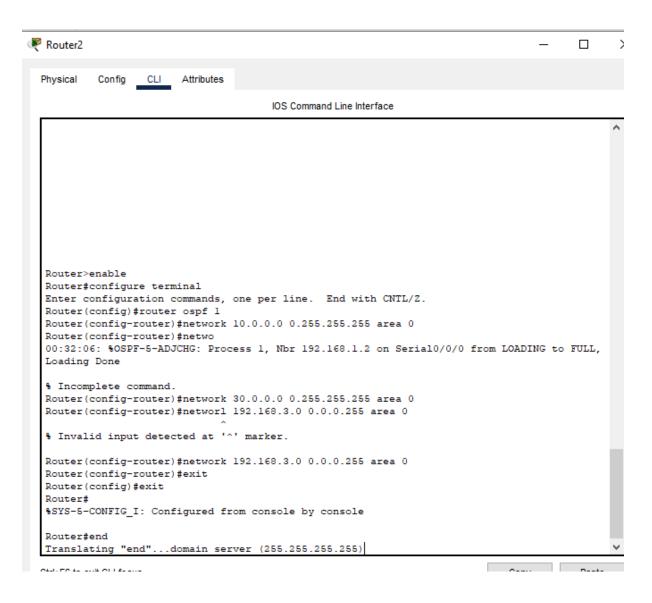
Router#

Router#write

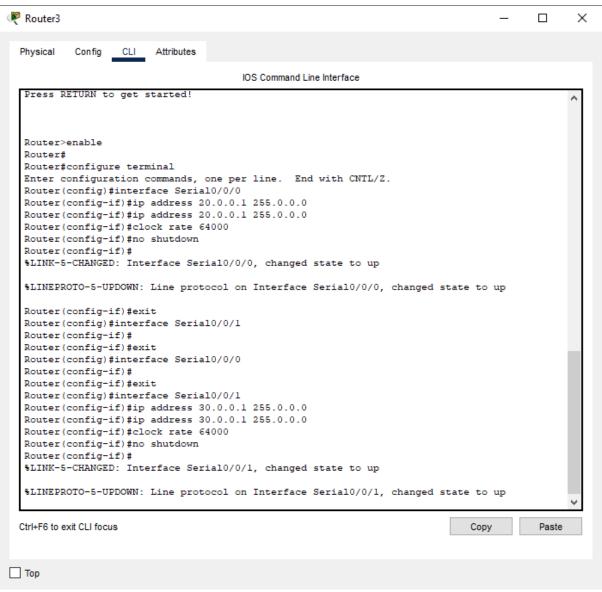
[OK] Router#

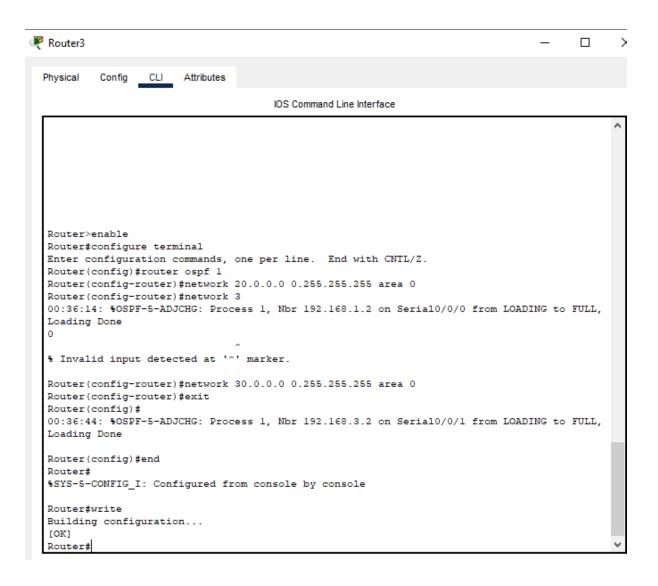
## Router 2 Configuration:





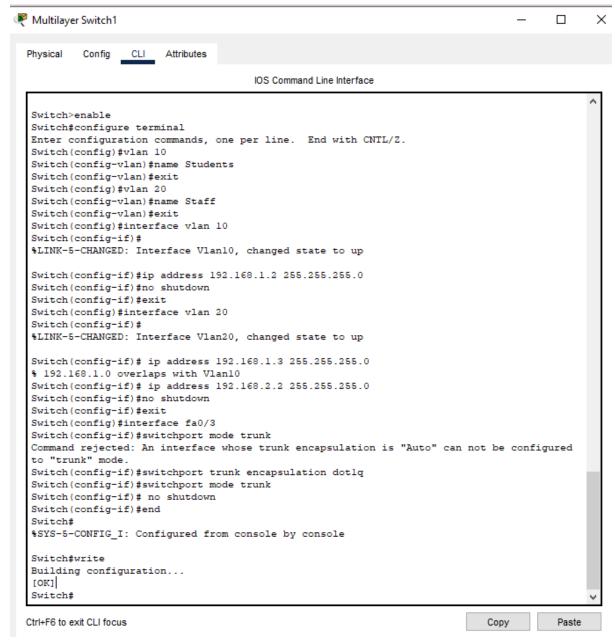
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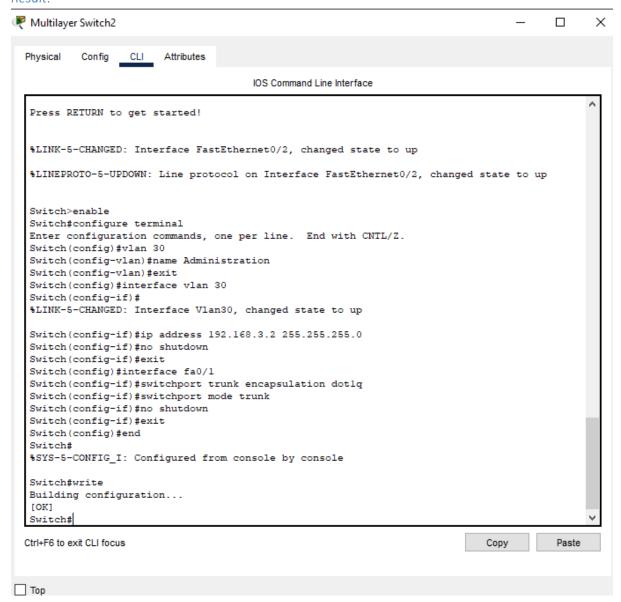


### LAYER 3 SWITCH CONFIGURATION

### Layer 3 Switch-1 Configuration:

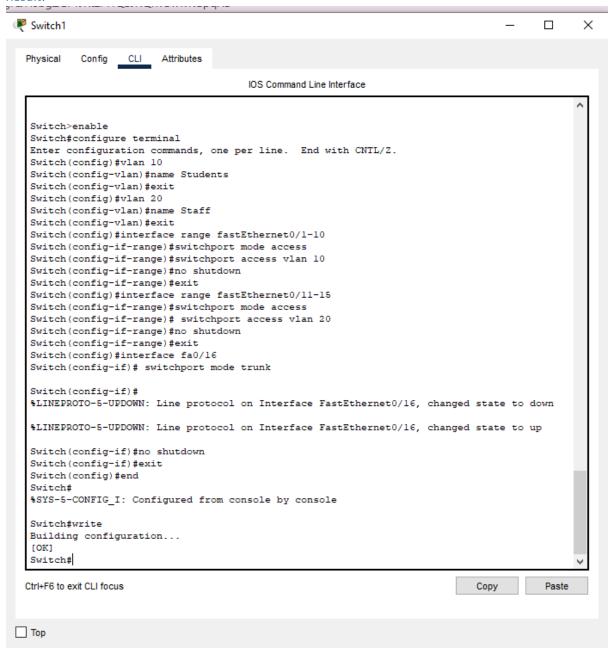


## **Layer 3 Switch-2 Configuration:**



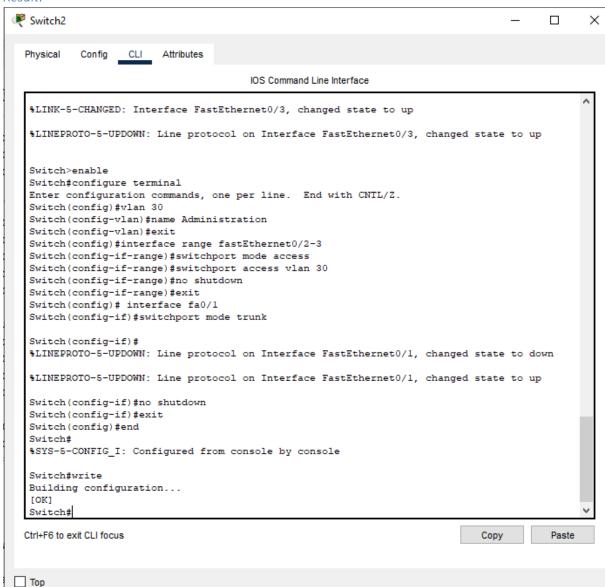
# **LAYER\_2 SWITCH CONFIGURATION**

## Layer 2 Switch-1 Configuration:



## Layer 3 Switch-1 Configuration:

Result:



# Conclusion

This project showcased a structured approach to designing and configuring a robust network for a university lab. By integrating advanced networking principles like DHCP, DNS, routing, and switching, the team successfully implemented a system capable of meeting diverse academic and administrative needs.