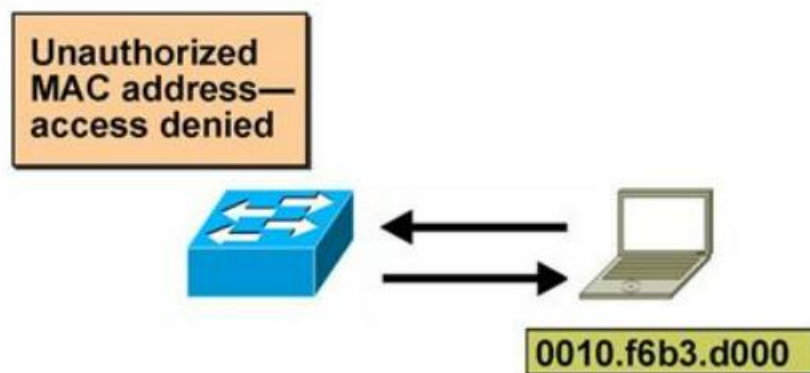


## **Introduction :**

Switch is a network device, which is configured to connect and maintain communication channel between various devices. Ethernet ports are present on a switch, which are used to connect devices, such as Router, computer system and Laptop in the network. To connect all these networks, Ethernet cables are used. MAC address of these connected devices is used by switch to identify them and provide them with the requested service. It is a crucial task to secure these ports, so that only authorized users are able to connect their systems into the network through a switch. Before configuration of any switch in an organizational network, port security is considered, as it ensures that authentic and authorized user is connected within the network. This security feature of Cisco IOS Switches can only be configured on access ports and by default, this feature is disabled.



*Port security restricts port access by MAC address.*

## **Objectives :**

Part 1: Configure Port Security

Part 2: Verify Port Security

## **Background :**

In this activity, you will configure and verify port security on a switch. Port security allows you to restrict a port's ingress traffic by limiting the MAC addresses that are allowed to send traffic into the port.

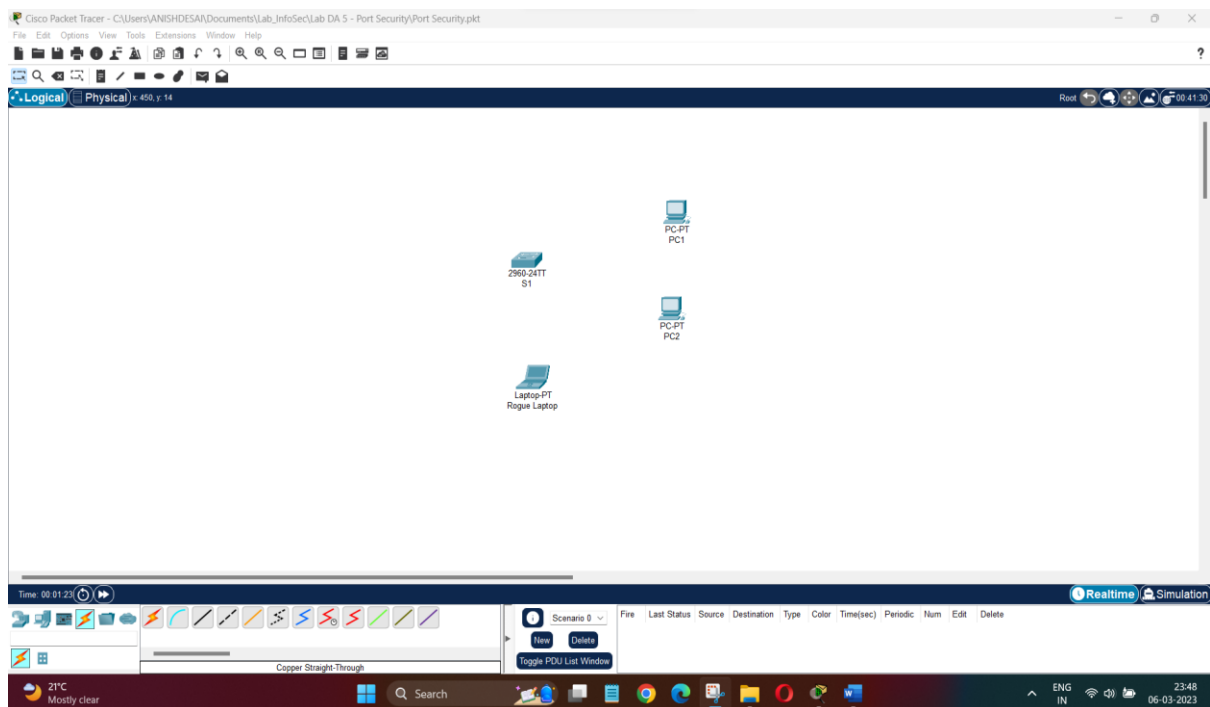
# Configuration of Port Security using CISCO Packet Tracer

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## **Step 1 : Outlining the components and their connections**

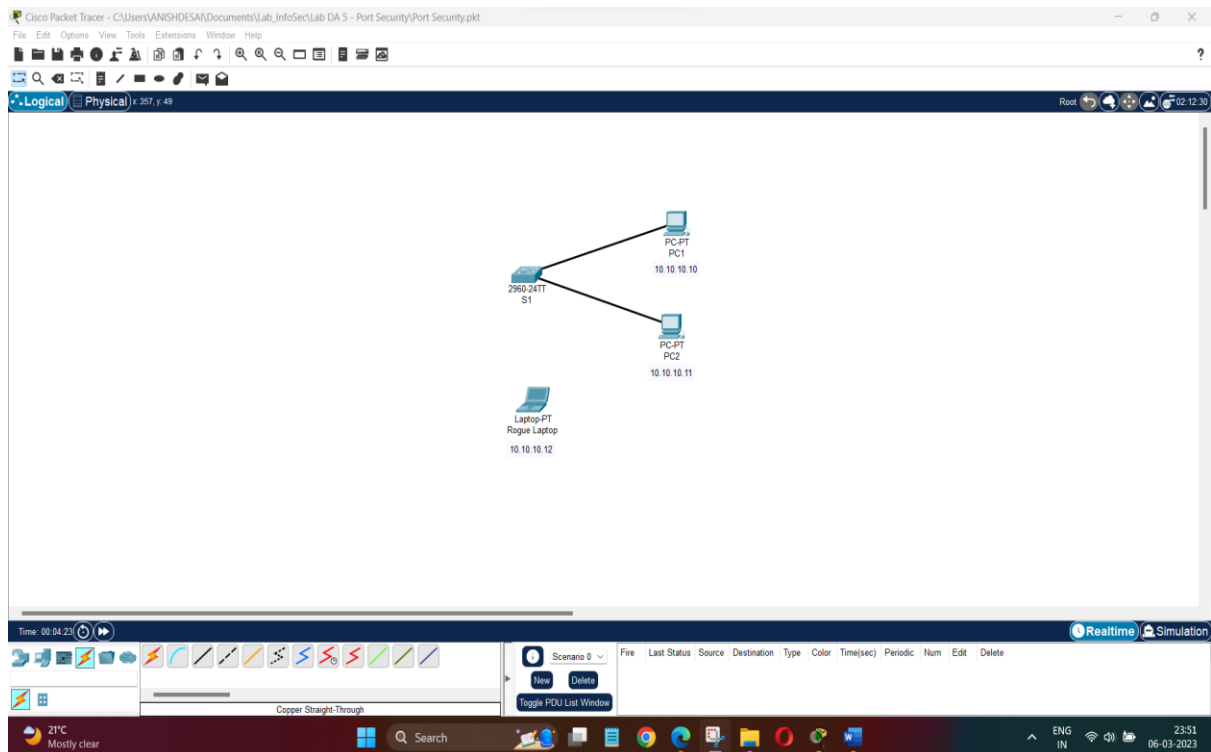
**Components used include :**

1. Switch 2960-24TT : S1
2. PCs : PC1 and PC2
3. Laptop – Rogue Laptop



## **Step 2 : Making Topology and Assigning IP Addresses**

Device	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask
S1	VLAN 1	10.10.10.2	255.255.255.0
PC1	Fa0	10.10.10.10	255.0.0.0
PC2	Fa0	10.10.10.11	255.0.0.0
Rogue Laptop	Fa0	10.10.10.12	255.0.0.0



## **Part 1 : Configure Port Security**

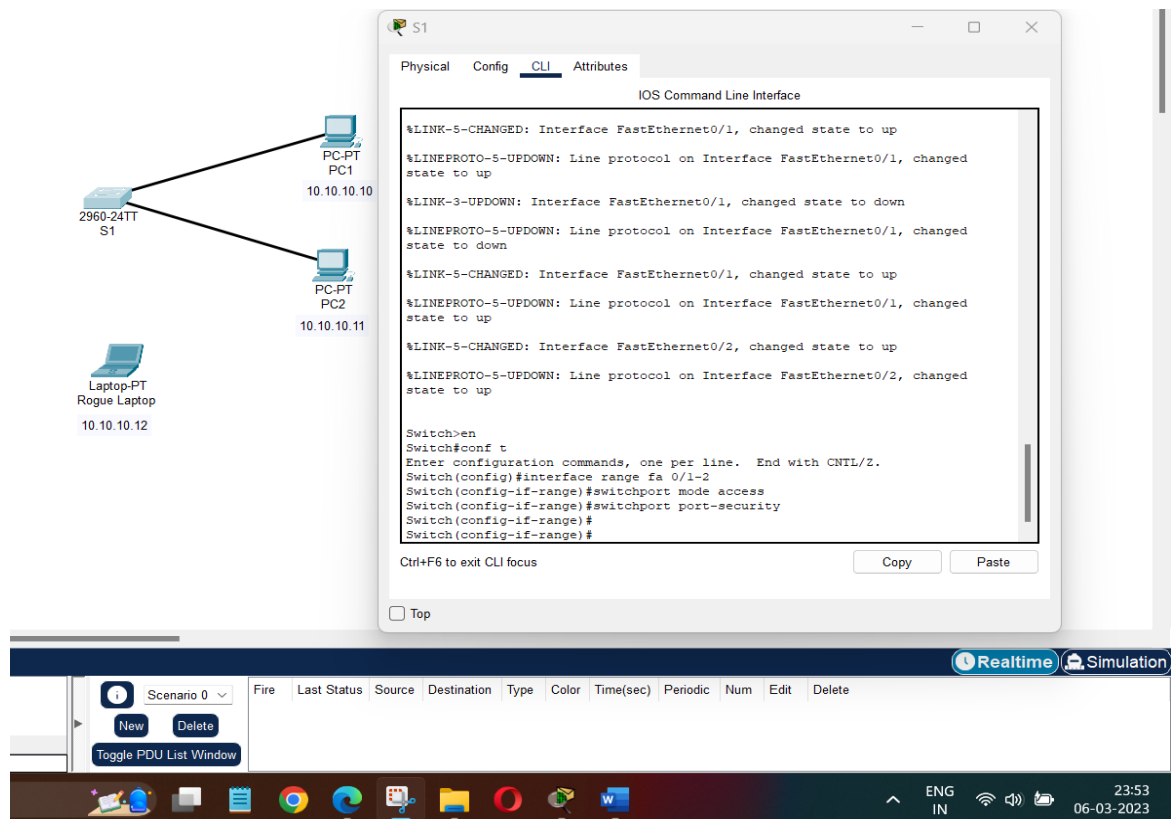
### **Step 1 : Enable Port Security**

Access the command line for S1 and enable port security on Fast Ethernet ports 0/1 and 0/2.

*S1(config)# interface range f0/1 – 2*

*S1(config-if-range)#switchport mode access*

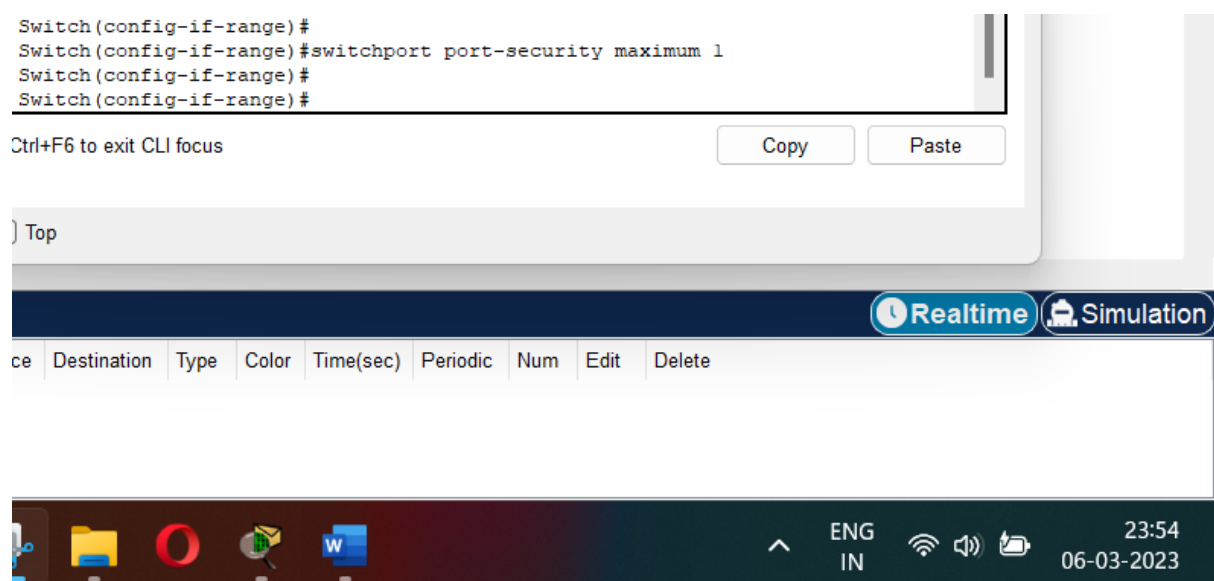
*S1(config-if-range)# switchport port-security*



## Step 2 : Set maximum

Set the maximum so that only one device can access the Fast Ethernet ports 0/1 and 0/2.

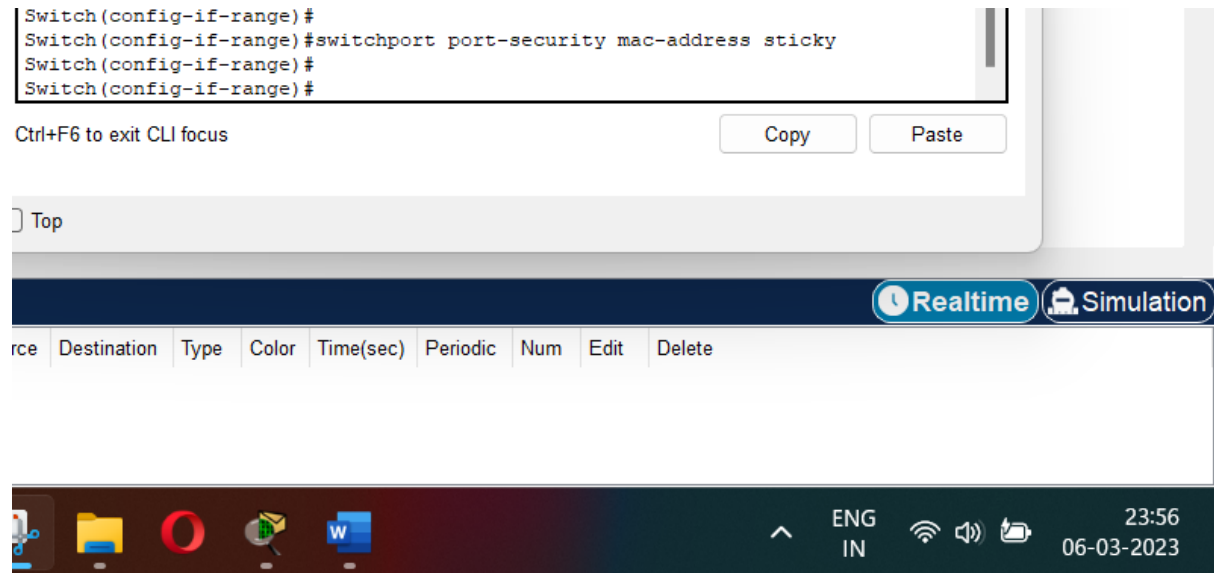
*S1(config-if-range)# switchport port-security maximum 1*



### Step 3 : Secure the ports

Secure the ports so that the MAC address of a device is dynamically learned and added to the running configuration.

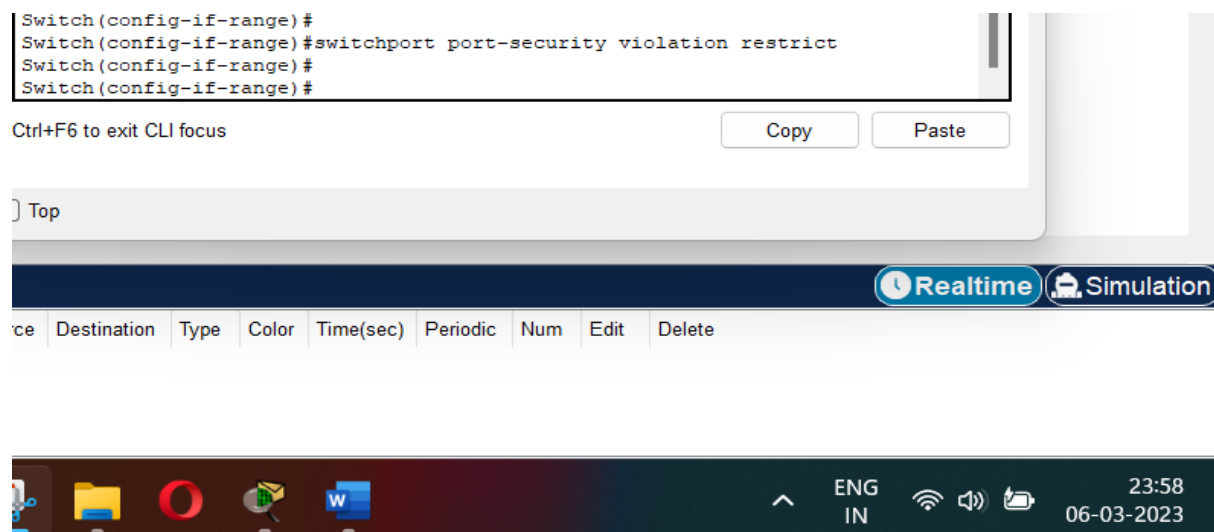
*SI(config-if-range)# switchport port-security mac-address sticky*



### Step 4 : Set violation mode

Set the violation mode so that the Fast Ethernet ports 0/1 and 0/2 are not disabled when a violation occurs, but a notification of the security violation is generated and packets from the unknown source are dropped.

*SI(config-if-range)# switchport port-security violation restrict*



## Step 5 : Disable unused ports

Disable all the remaining unused ports. Use the range keyword to apply this configuration to all the ports simultaneously.

```
S1(config-if-range)# interface range fa0/3 - 24, g0/1 - 2
```

```
S1(config-if-range)# shutdown
```

```
Switch(config-if-range)#interface range fa 0/3-24, g 0/1-2
Switch(config-if-range)#shutdown

%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/3, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/4, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/5, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/6, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/7, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/8, changed state to administratively
down
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/9, changed state to administratively
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%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/11, changed state to
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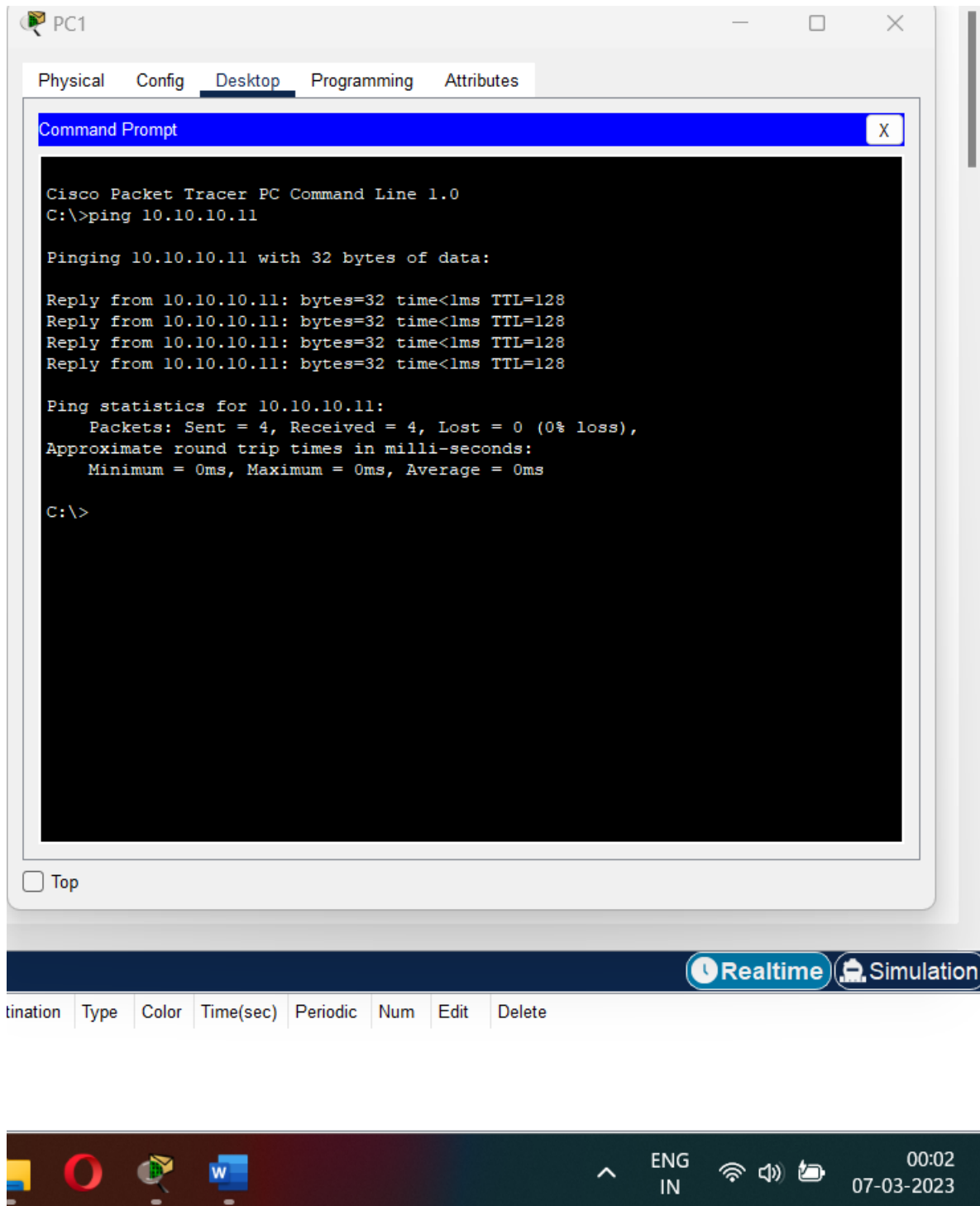


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## Part 2 : Verify Port Security

### Step 1 : Ping

From PC1, ping PC2.



## Step 2 : Verify enabled port security

Verify that port security is enabled and the MAC addresses of PC1 and PC2 were added to the running configuration.

*S1# show run | begin interface*

```
Switch#
Switch#show run | begin interface
interface FastEthernet0/1
  switchport mode access
  switchport port-security
  switchport port-security mac-address sticky
  switchport port-security violation restrict
  switchport port-security mac-address sticky 00E0.F90B.0D07
!
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  switchport mode access
  switchport port-security
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  switchport port-security mac-address sticky 00E0.A3A8.C59A
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interface FastEthernet0/3
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As we can notice, port security has been enabled and MAC addresses of interfaces fa0/1 and fa0/2 (essentially PC1 and PC2) have been added.



### Step 3 : Review configuration information

Use port-security show commands to display configuration information.

*S1# show port-security*

*S1# show port-security address*

The screenshot displays a network switch CLI interface. The first command executed is `Switch# show port-security`, which outputs a table showing the configuration for ports Fa0/1 and Fa0/2. Both ports have a maximum secure address count of 1, a current address count of 1, and zero security violations. The security action is set to 'Restrict'.

Secure Port	MaxSecureAddr (Count)	CurrentAddr (Count)	SecurityViolation (Count)	Security Action
Fa0/1	1	1	0	Restrict
Fa0/2	1	1	0	Restrict

The second command is `Switch# show port-security address`, which displays the secure MAC address table. It shows two entries for VLAN 1, both of type 'SecureSticky'. The first entry is for MAC address 00E0.F90B.0D07 on port Fa0/1, and the second is for 00E0.A3A8.C59A on port Fa0/2. Both entries have a remaining age of '-' (infinite).

Vlan	Mac Address	Type	Ports	Remaining Age (mins)
1	00E0.F90B.0D07	SecureSticky	Fa0/1	-
1	00E0.A3A8.C59A	SecureSticky	Fa0/2	-

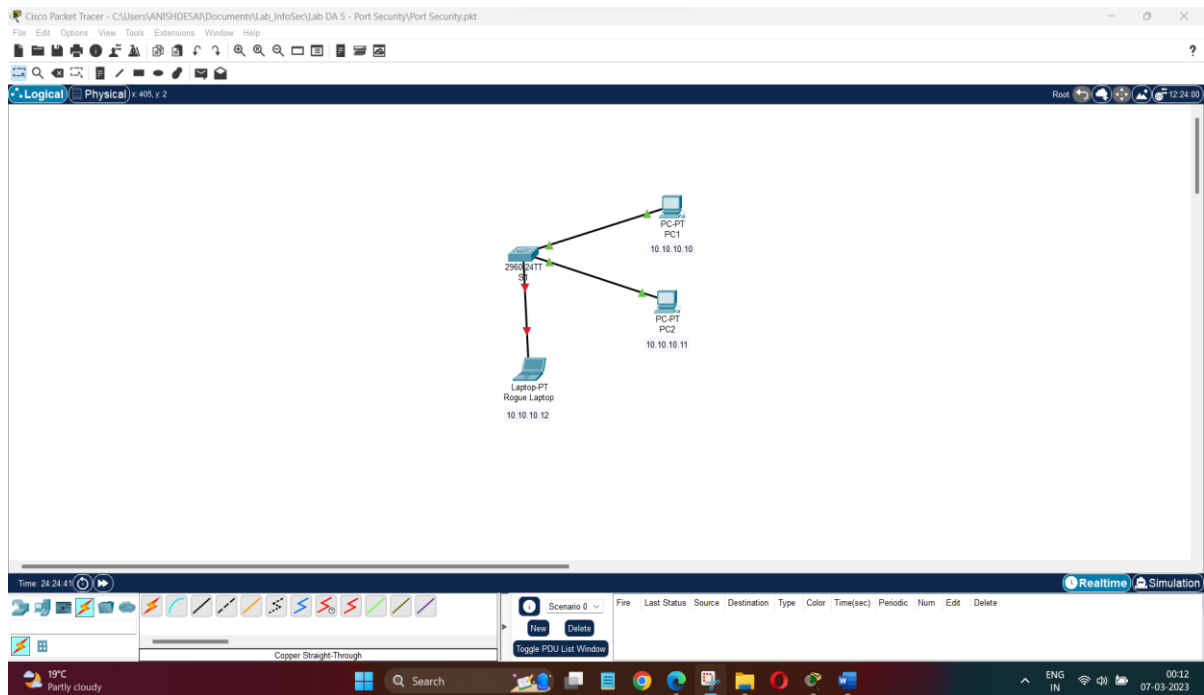
Below the table, the CLI shows the total addresses in the system (excluding one mac per port) as 0, and the maximum addresses limit as 1024.

At the bottom of the CLI window, there are buttons for 'Copy' and 'Paste', and a status bar indicating 'Realtime' and 'Simulation' modes. The system tray at the very bottom shows icons for a folder, a red circle, a green box, and a blue 'W' icon, along with system status icons (up arrow, ENG IN, Wi-Fi, speaker, battery) and the date/time '00:08 07-03-2023'.

As we can see, Maximum and Current address are 1 and No security violations as of now. Mode is Restrict as set. Further, we can see MAC addresses of both the PCs and the ports connected.

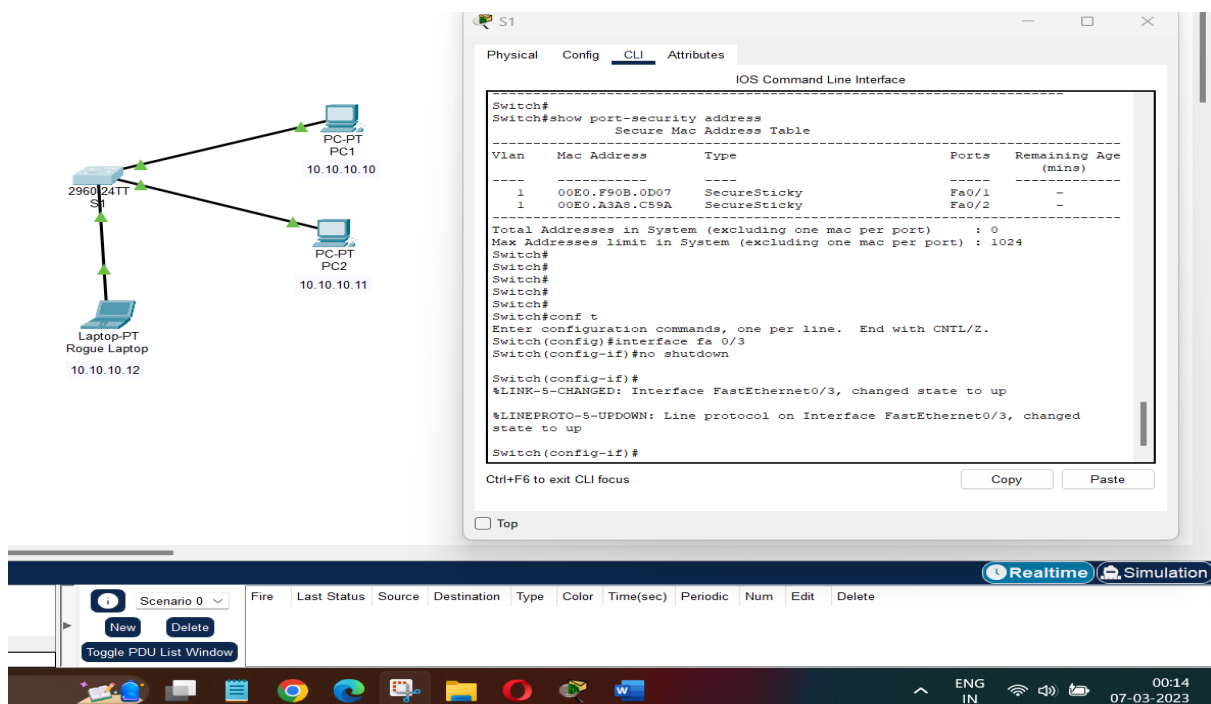
## Step 4 : Review using Rogue Laptop

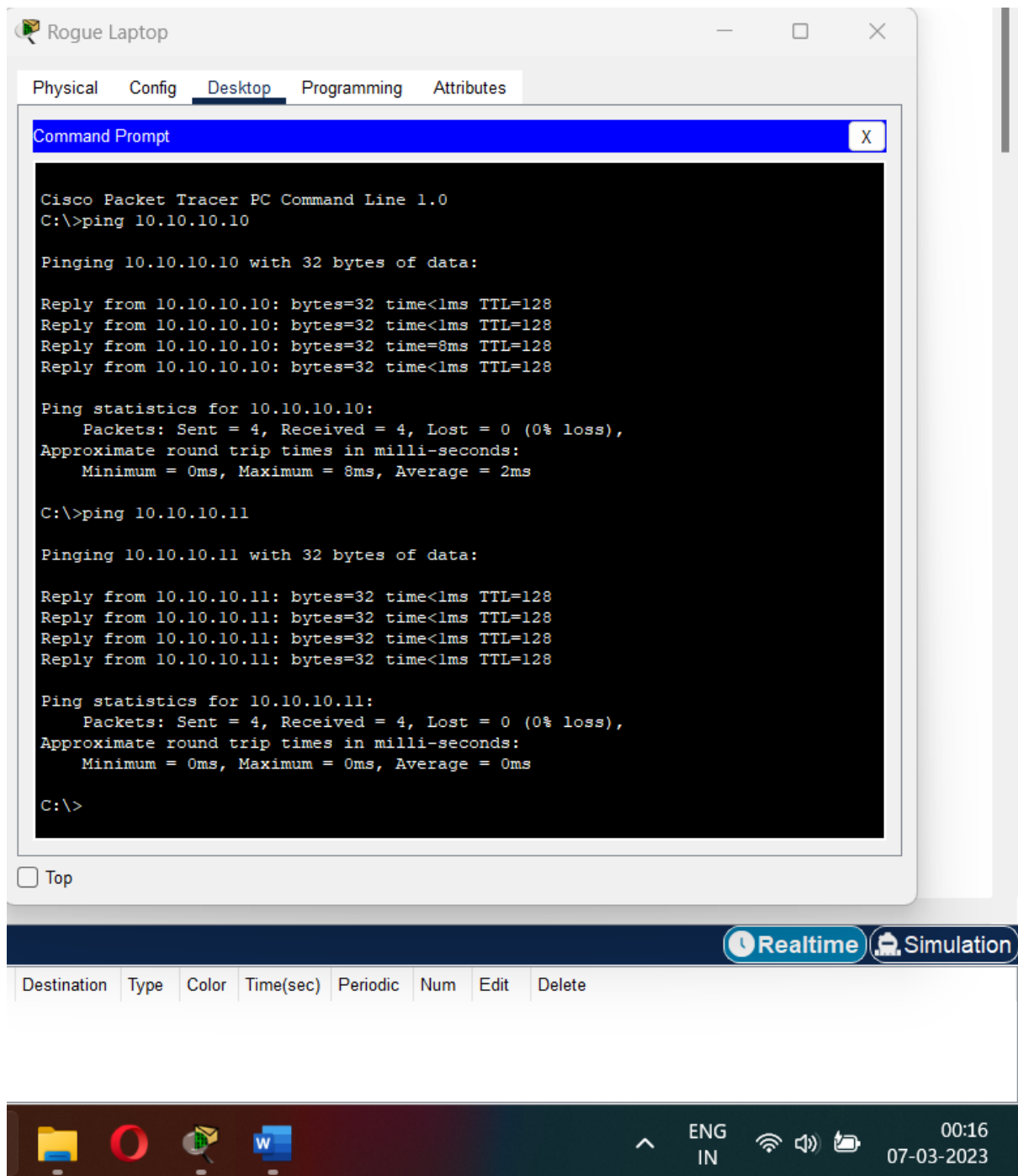
Attach Rogue Laptop to any unused switch port and notice that the link lights are red.



## Step 5 : Verify using Rogue Laptop

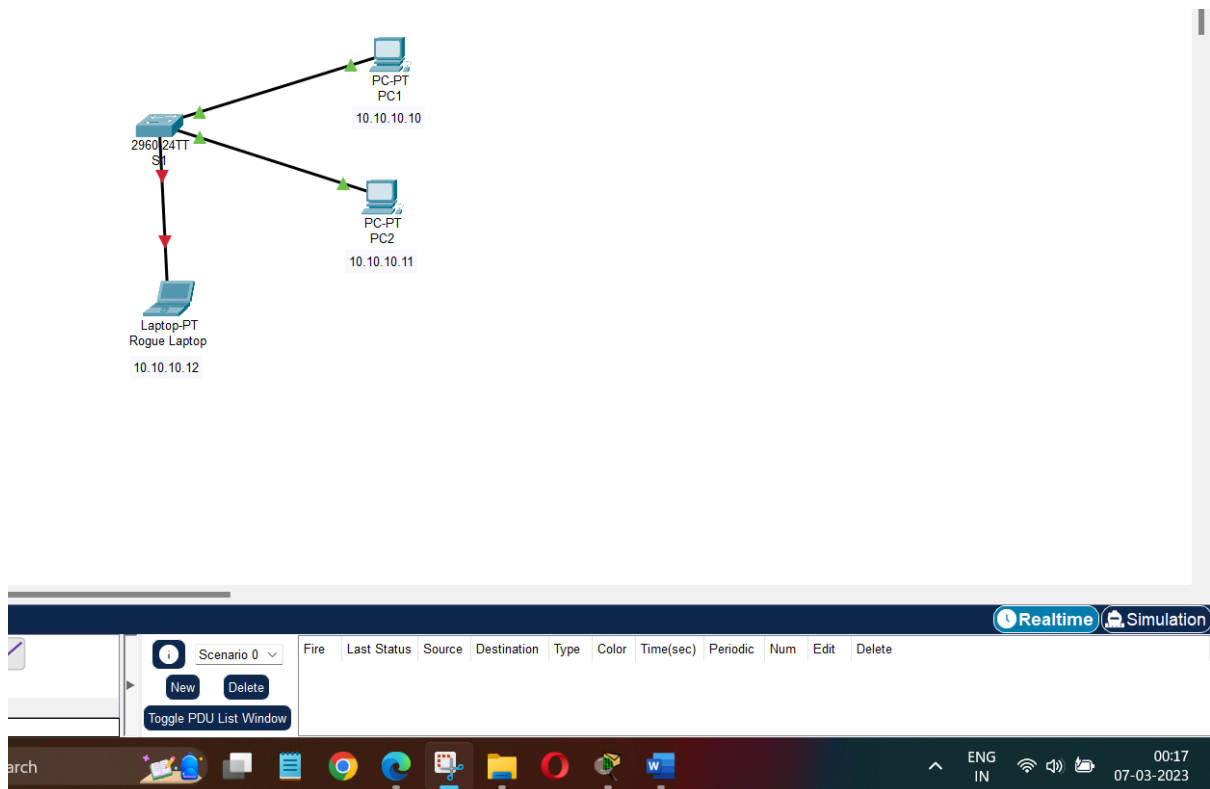
Enable the port and verify that Rogue Laptop can ping PC1 and PC2. After verification, shut down the port connected to Rogue Laptop.





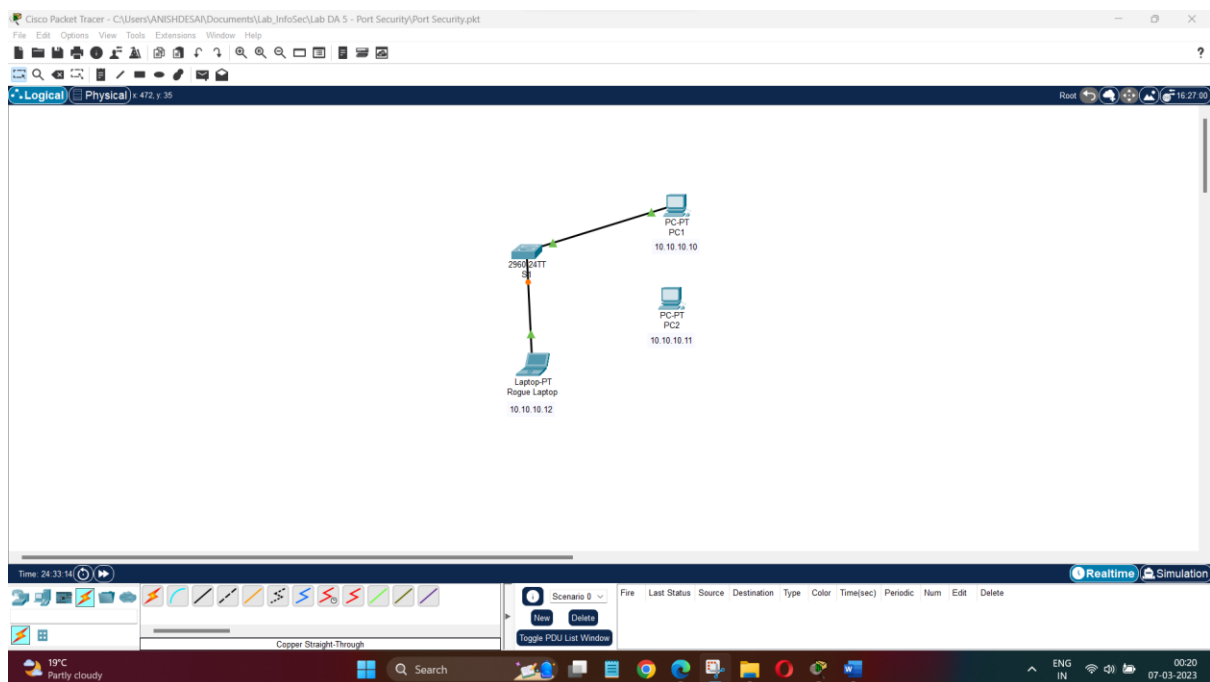
Ping to PC1 and PC2 from Rogue Laptop successful.

Shutdown the interface now.

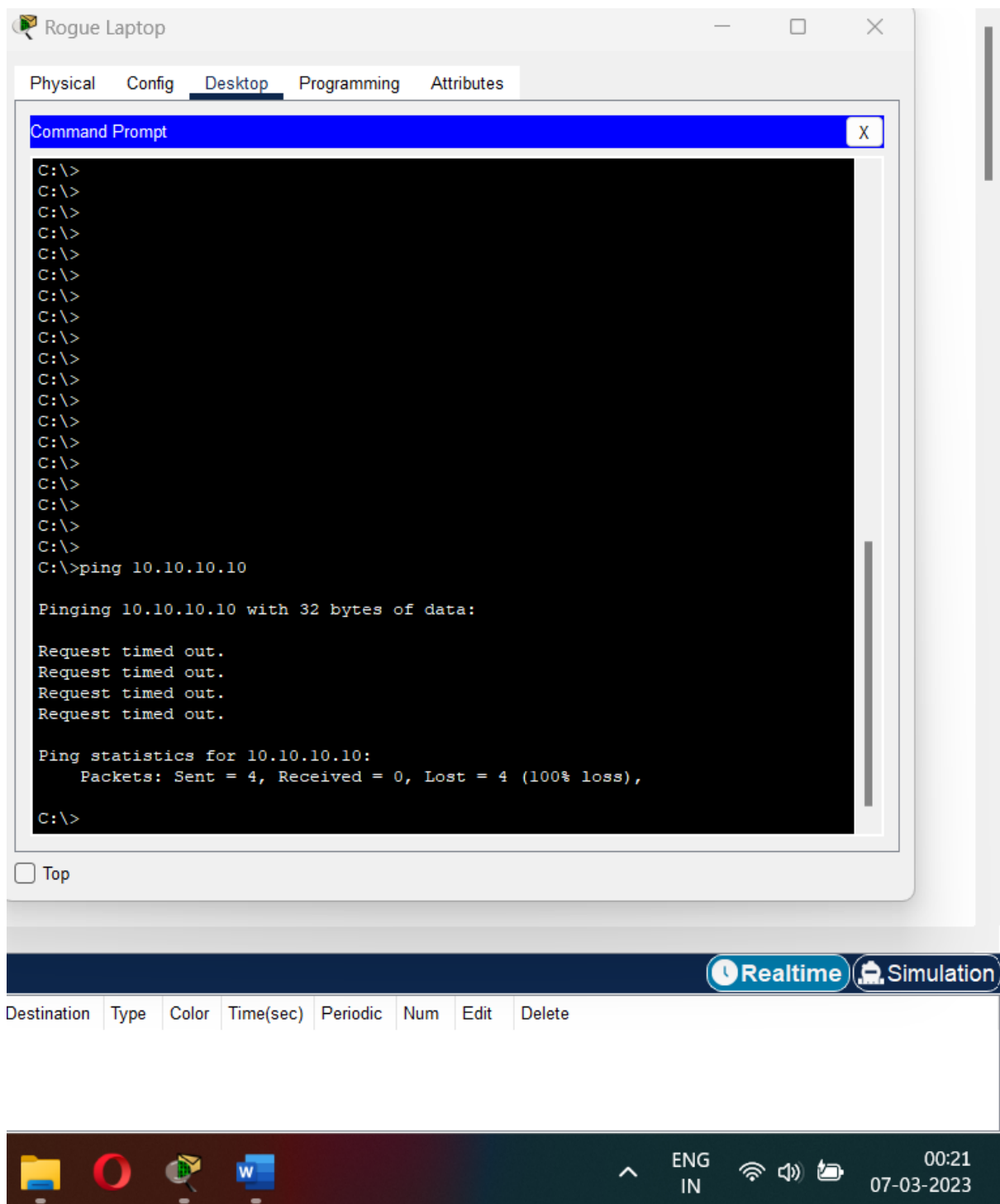


## Step 6 : Verify using Rogue Laptop in place of PC2

Disconnect PC2 and connect Rogue Laptop to F0/2, which is the port to which PC2 was originally connected. Verify that Rogue Laptop is unable to ping PC1.



PC2 disconnected and Rogue Laptop connected to port Fa0/2 in which PC2 was originally connected.

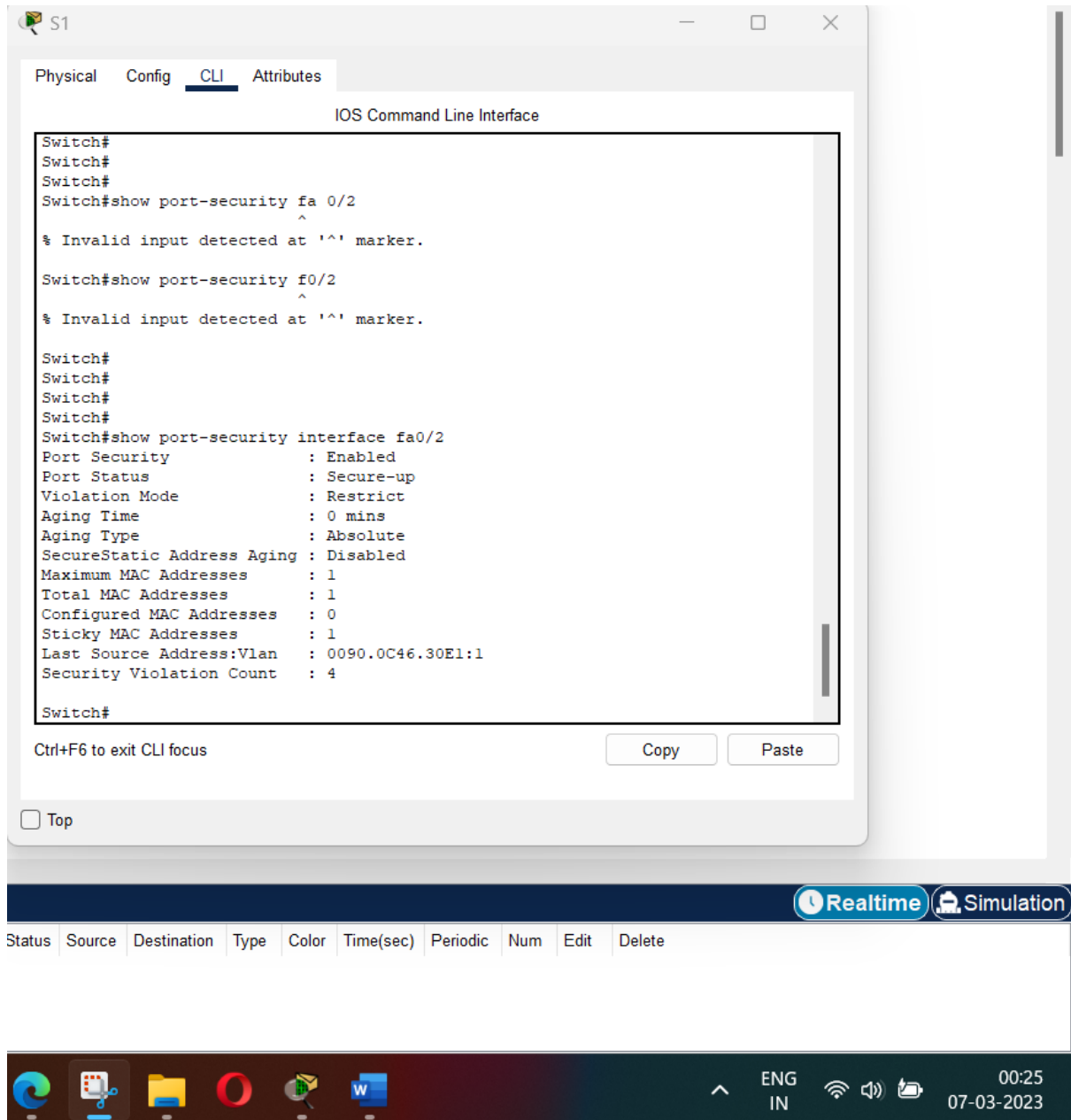


Rogue Laptop unable to ping PC1 since only PC2 is allowed to connect to port Fa0/2.

## Step 7 : Review port security violation

Display the port security violations for the port to which Rogue Laptop is connected.

*S1# show port-security interface f0/2*

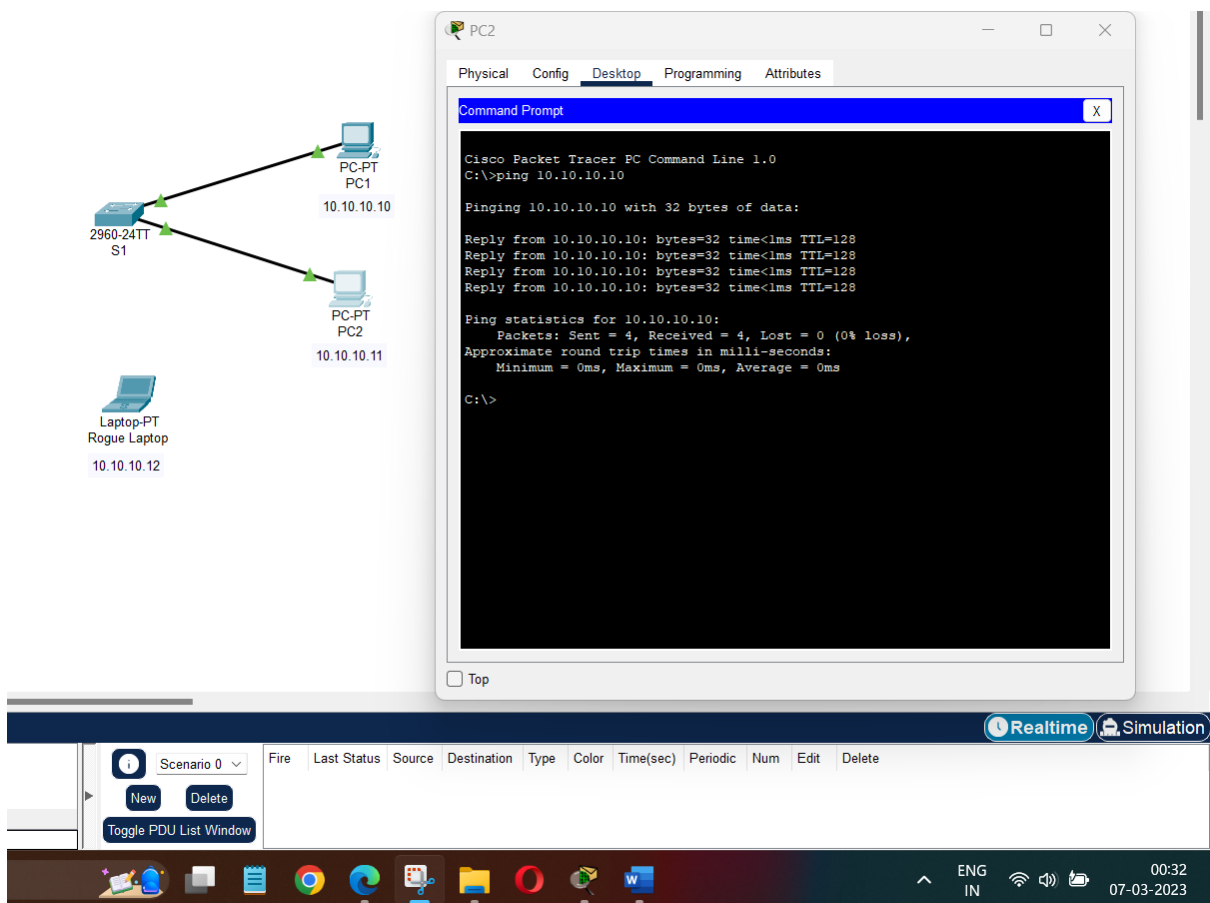
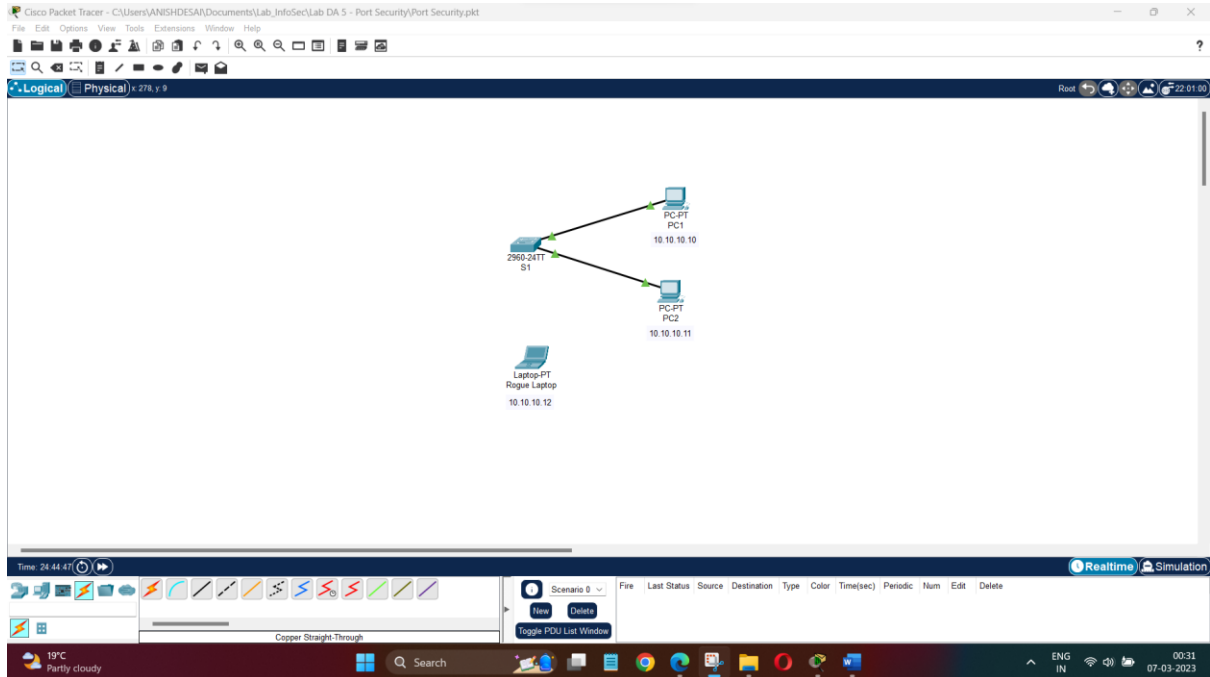


Successfully verified the Security Violation Count.

There should be a violation count of at least four, one for each ping request.

## Step 8 : Re-verification using PC2

Disconnect Rouge Laptop and reconnect PC2. Verify PC2 can ping PC1.



Successfully verified that PC2 can ping PC1.

**The port security that was enabled on the port only allowed the device, whose MAC was learned first, access to the port while preventing all other devices access.**

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