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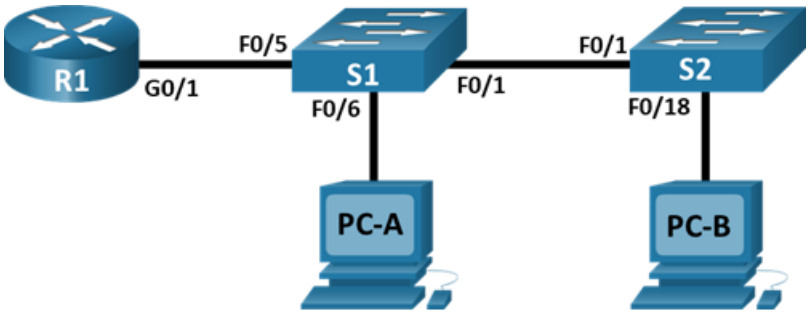
Lab 5.1 - Configure Router-on-a-Stick Inter-VLAN Routing

Topology



Addressing Table

Device	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask	Default Gateway
R1	G0/1.3 or G0/0/1.3 *This depends on your router model*	192.168.3.1	255.255.255.0	N/A
	G0/1.4 or G0/0/1.4 *This depends on your router model*	192.168.4.1	255.255.255.0	
	G0/1.8 or G0/0/1.8 *This depends on your router model*	N/A	N/A	
S1	VLAN 3	192.168.3.11	255.255.255.0	192.168.3.1
S2	VLAN 3	192.168.3.12	255.255.255.0	192.168.3.1
PC-A	NIC	192.168.3.3	255.255.255.0	192.168.3.1
PC-B	NIC	192.168.4.3	255.255.255.0	192.168.4.1

VLAN Table

VLAN	Name	Interface Assigned
3	Management	S1: VLAN 3 S2: VLAN 3 S1: F0/6
4	Operations	S2: F0/18
7	ParkingLot	S1: F0/2-4, F0/7-24, G0/1-2 S2: F0/2-17, F0/19-24, G0/1-2
8	Native	N/A

Objectives

Part 1: Build the Network and Configure Basic Device Settings

Part 2: Create VLANs and Assign Switch Ports

Part 3: Configure an 802.1Q Trunk between the Switches

Part 4: Configure Inter-VLAN Routing on the Router

Part 5: Verify Inter-VLAN Routing is working

Background / Scenario

Modern switches use virtual local-area networks (VLANs) to provide segmentation services traditionally provided by routers in LAN configurations. VLANs address scalability, security, and network management. In general, VLANs make it easier to design a network to support the goals of an organization. Communication between VLANs requires a device operating at Layer 3 of the OSI model. Routers in VLAN topologies provide additional security and traffic flow management.

VLAN trunks are used to span VLANs across multiple devices. Trunks allow the traffic from multiple VLANS to travel over a single link, while keeping the VLAN identification and segmentation intact. A particular kind of inter-VLAN routing, called “Router-On-A-Stick”, uses a trunk from the router to the switch to enable all VLANs to pass to the router.

In this lab, you will create VLANs on both switches in the topology, assign VLANs to switch access ports, verify that VLANs are working as expected, create VLAN trunks between the two switches and between S1 and R1, and configure Inter-VLAN routing on R1 to allow hosts in different VLANs to communicate, regardless of which subnet the host resides.

Required Resources

- 1 Router (Cisco 1941 or comparable)
- 2 Switches (Cisco 2960)
- 2 PCs
- Ethernet cables as shown in the topology

Instructions

Part 1: Build the Network and Configure Basic Device Settings

In Part 1, you will set up the network topology and configure basic settings on the PC hosts and switches.

Step 1: Cable the network as shown in the topology.

Attach the devices as shown in the topology diagram, and cable as necessary.

Step 2: Configure basic settings for the router and switches.

a. Console into the device and enable privileged EXEC mode.

b. Enter configuration mode.

c. Assign a device name.

d. Assign **class** as the privileged EXEC encrypted password.

e. Assign **cisco** as the console password and enable login.

f. Assign **cisco** as the VTY password and enable login.

g. Encrypt the plaintext passwords.

h. Create a banner that warns anyone accessing the device that unauthorized access is prohibited.

i. Save the running configuration to the startup configuration file.

Note: Use the question mark (**?**) to help with the correct sequence of parameters needed to execute this command.

Step 3: Configure PC hosts.

Refer to the Addressing Table for PC host address information.

Part 2: Create VLANs and Assign Switch Ports

In Part 2, you will create VLANs, as specified in the table above, on both switches. You will then assign the VLANs to the appropriate interface. The **show vlan** command is used to verify your configuration settings. Complete the following tasks on each switch.

Step 1: Create VLANs on both switches.

a. Create and name the required VLANs on each switch from the table above.

b. Configure the management interface and default gateway on each switch using the IP address information in the Addressing Table.

c. Assign all unused ports on both switches to the ParkingLot VLAN, configure them for static access mode, and administratively deactivate them.

Note: The interface range command is helpful to accomplish this task with as few commands as necessary.

Step 2: Assign VLANs to the correct switch interfaces.

a. Assign used ports to the appropriate VLAN (specified in the VLAN table above) and configure them for static access mode. Be sure to do this on both switches

b. Issue the **show vlan brief** command and verify that the VLANs are assigned to the correct interfaces.

Part 3: Configure an 802.1Q Trunk Between the Switches

In Part 3, you will manually configure interface F0/1 as a trunk.

Step 1: Manually configure trunk interface F0/1.

a. Change the switchport mode on interface F0/1 to static trunking. Make sure to do this on both switches.

b. As a part of the trunk configuration, set the native VLAN to 8 on both switches. You may see error messages temporarily while the two interfaces are configured for different native VLANs.

c. As another part of trunk configuration, specify that VLANs 3, 4, and 8 are only allowed to cross the trunk.ch

d. Issue the **show interfaces trunk** command to verify trunking ports, the Native VLAN and allowed VLANs across the trunk.

Step 2: Manually configure S1's trunk interface F0/5

a. Configure the F0/5 on S1 with the same trunk parameters as F0/1. This is the trunk to the router.

b. Save the running configuration to the startup configuration file on S1 and S2.

c. Issue the **show interfaces trunk** command to verify trunking.

Why does F0/5 not appear in the list of trunks?

> The interface of the router is down, so the link is not active or trunking. The router is not in a "trunk state" or it does not understand 802.1q yet.

Part 4: Configure Inter-VLAN Routing on the Router

a. Activate interface G0/1 on the router.

b. Configure sub-interfaces for each VLAN as specified in the IP addressing table. All sub-interfaces use 802.1Q encapsulation. Ensure the sub-interface for the native VLAN does not have an IP address assigned. Include a description for each sub-interface.

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R1(config)#interface G0/1
R1(config-if)#no shutdown
R1(config-if)#interface G0/1.3
R1(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1q 3
R1(config-subif)#ip address 192.168.3.1 255.255.255.0
R1(config-subif)#interface G0/1.4
R1(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1q 4
R1(config-subif)#ip address 192.168.4.1 255.255.255.0
R1(config-subif)#interface G0/1.8
R1(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1q 8 native
R1(config-subif)#end
R1#
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c. Use the **show ip interface brief** command to verify the sub-interfaces are operational.

d. Enter the command to view the routing table on R1.

What networks are listed?

G0/1.3 - 192.168.3.1/24 G0/1.4 - 192.168.4.1/24

Part 5: Verify Inter-VLAN Routing is Working

Step 1: Complete the following tests from PC-A. All should be successful.

Can PC-A ping its default gateway?	yes
Can PC-A ping PC-B?	yes
Can PC-A ping S2?	yes

Step 2: Complete the following test from PC-B.

From the command prompt on PC-B, issue the tracert command to the address of PC-A.

What intermediate IP addresses are shown in the hop results of the trace?

The output of the tracert shows two entries. The 1st hop is G0/1.4 on the R1 interface address, which is the gateway address for PC-B. The 2nd hop is PC-A's address.

Reflection

1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of using the router-on-a-stick method to do interVLAN routing?

The main advantage of using the router-on-a-stick method to do interVLAN routing is the cost. Since it does not require a layer 3 switch, it is the most cost-effective way. However, the major disadvantage is that it can only support a limited number of vlans. Furthermore, it is not the fastest method to do interVLAN routing.