

By default, the instrument is configured to use dynamic TCP/IP configuration and obtain all address information automatically. This means that it is safe to establish a physical connection to the LAN without any previous instrument configuration.

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**NOTICE****Risk of network errors!**

Connection errors can affect the entire network.

If your network does not support DHCP, or if you choose to disable dynamic TCP/IP configuration, you must assign valid address information before connecting the instrument to the LAN.

Contact your network administrator to obtain a valid IP address.

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**Assigning the IP address on the instrument**

1. Press the [Setup] key and select the "Network Settings" dialog.
2. Set the "Address Mode" to Static.
3. Select the "IP Address" and enter the IP address, for example *192.168.0.1*.  
The IP address consists of four number blocks separated by dots. Every block contains 3 numbers in maximum.
4. Select the "Subnet Mask" and enter the subnet mask, for example *255.255.255.0*.  
The subnet mask consists of four number blocks separated by dots. Every block contains 3 numbers in maximum.

**Use computer names to identify the instrument**

In networks using a DHCP server, it is recommended that you address the instrument by its unambiguous computer name, see [Chapter 3.1.15.2, "Using Computer Names"](#), on page 31.

A computer name (*hostname*) is an unique dedicated identification of the instrument, that remains permanent as long as it is not explicitly changed. Hence, you can address an instrument by the same identification (computer name), irrespectively if a network or a point-to-point connection is used.

**To assign the IP address manually on the remote computer**

- Obtain the necessary information from your network administrator. If you use more than one LAN connector, you need separate address information for each connector.  
For information on how to perform the configurations, refer to the documentation of the operating system the remote computer uses.

**3.1.15.2 Using Computer Names**

In a LAN that uses a DNS server (Domain Name System server), each PC or instrument connected in the LAN can be accessed via an unambiguous computer name