

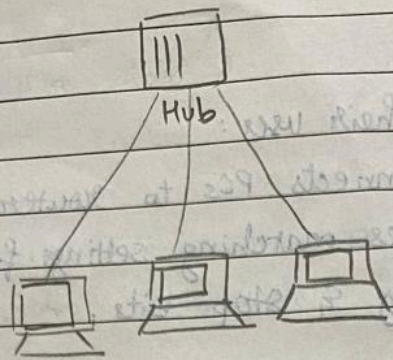
## Lab 1 - 25/9/24

### Connections / Links

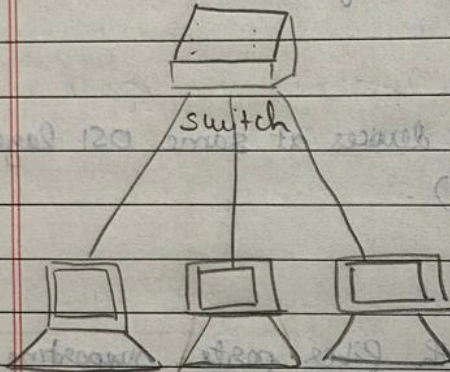
Cable types and their uses:

1. Console cable: connects PCs to routers or switches; requires matching settings for speed, data, bits, parity & stop bits.
2. Copper straight-through: Standard ethernet cable for connecting devices at different OSI layers (eg: switch to PC).
3. Copper cross-over: Used for connecting devices at same OSI layer (eg: switch to PC to PC).
4. Fiber cable: Connects devices with fiber ports, supporting 100 Mbps or 1000 Mbps connections.
5. Phone cable: Connects devices with modem ports, used for dial-up connections from PC to network.
6. Coaxial cable: connects devices with coaxial ports, like cable modem to a network.
7. DCE / DTE Serial: for WAN links
8. DCE Octal: 8-port asynchronous cable.





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- Hub -
- operates at layer 1 (physical layer)
- broadcasts data to all connected devices. doesn't filter or manage traffic
- limited efficiency, more collisions.
- Switch -
- forwards data only to specific device for which it's intended.
- more efficient, reduces collisions
- operates on layer 2



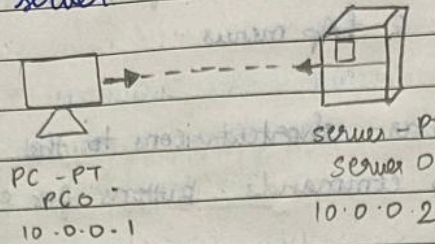
### Components

- i) Menu bar - Provides the file, edit, options, view, tools, extensions & help menus.
- ii) Main tool bar - shortcut icons to the file and edit menu commands. Buttons for copy, paste, undo etc.
- iii) Common tool bar - Access to commonly used workspace tools: select, move, layout, delete, inspect, resize, etc.
- iv) Logical / Physical workspace & navigation Bar :  
Toggle b/w physical workplace & logical workspace with tabs on this bar.
- v) Workspace : Area where you create your network, watch do simulations & view many kinds of info.
- vi) Realtime | Simulation Bar : toggle b/w real time & sim. mode
- vii) Network Component bar : chose devices & connections.
- viii) Device specific selection Box : choose specific designs devices & connections in your network.
- ix) Device type selection Box : choose type of devices & connections available
- x) User created packet window : manages packets you put in the network during simulation scenarios.



## Expt - 1

### 1. PC to server



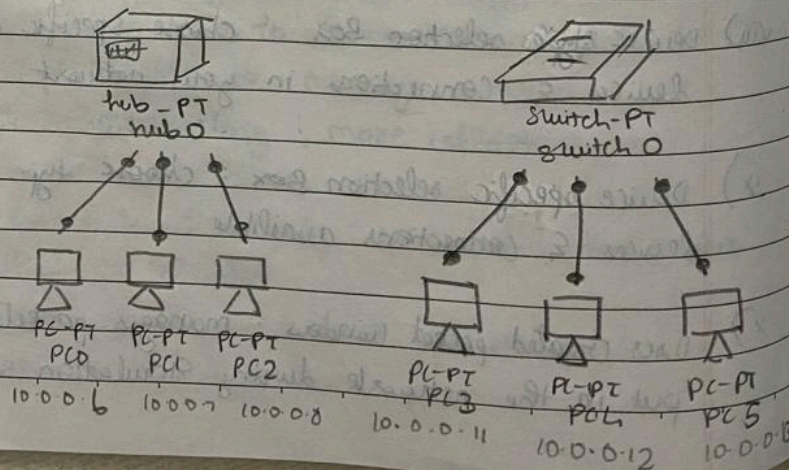
Aim: to set up a point to point network b/w a PC and a server, facilitating direct communication to observe data exchange.

Topology: A PC is connected to server using a crossover ethernet cable.

IP address of PC - 10.0.0.1, server - 10.0.0.2

Observation: Direct connection allows PC to communicate with server, which is typical in small networks for tasks such as file sharing, device requests or testing server response.

### 2. Hub & Switch



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Aim : to create network consisting of 3 PCs connected to a central hub & another network with 3 PCs connected to a switch. The connection will help observe the behaviour of data transmission using hub & switch devices.

Topology : 3 PCs are connected to a hub & switch using straight through ethernet cables.

Observation : hub broadcasts packets to all devices which may cause unnecessary traffic. Switch forwards packets only to appropriate devices by learning MAC addresses, making it more efficient in reducing traffic.

→ Difference b/w hub & switch.

Hub	Switch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• help broadcast data to all devices.</li><li>• hubs create more traffic</li><li>• cheaper &amp; less effective.</li><li>• physical layer</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>switches send it only to the destination.</li><li>They reduce traffic by directing data.</li><li>More expensive &amp; more effective.</li><li>data link layer.</li></ul>

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