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Introduction:

A simulator as the name suggests, simulates network devices and its Environment. Packet Tracer is an exciting network design, simulation & modelling tool.

- 1) It allows you to model complex system without need for dedicated equipment.
- 2) It helps you to practice your network configuration and troubleshooting skills via Computer or an android or ios based mobile device.
- 3) It is available for both Linux & windows desktop environment.
- 4) Protocols in packet tracer are coded to work and behave in same way as they would on real hardware.

Analyze the behaviour of network devices using CISCO PACKET TRACER simulator.

- 1) Exam the network components box click & drag & drop the below components
 - a) 4 generic PCs & one hub
 - b) 4 Generic PCs & One switch.

The diagram illustrates a computer system architecture. At the top, a monitor icon is connected to a central processing unit (CPU) chip. The CPU is also connected to a memory chip labeled "Memory". Below the CPU, there is a stack of three boxes representing input and output components: "Keyboard", "Mouse", and "Monitor". A red circle highlights the "Keyboard" component.

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Switch

QUESTION 12) Click on connections

- ANSWER 12) a) Click on copper straight-through cable
b) Select one of the PC and connect it to HUB.
c) Similarly connect 4 PCs to the switch using copper straight-through cable.
d) Click on the PCs connected to hub, go to desktop tab, click on IP configuration and enter an IP address & subnet mask. Here, the default gateway & DNS server information is not needed as there are only two devices in network.
- Click on the RDI (message icon) from the common toolbar.
- Drag & Drop it on one of PC (source machine) & then drop it on another PC (destination machine) connected to HUB.

- Observe the flow of PDU from source PC to destination PC by selecting real time mode of simulation.
- Repeat step #3 to step #5 for the PCs connected to the switch.

Student observation:

- a) From your observation write down the behavior of switch and HUB in terms of forwarding the packets received by them.
- Switch forwards packets only to device with the matching MAC address using MAC table. If unknown it sends to all ports except source.

The behavior of network device (HUB & switch) was successfully analyzed using Cisco Packet tracer.