



Computer Networks Case Study
Report

Network Design for XYZ Company

Summary:

This report presents the Network design for XYZ Company which features a Centralized Network architecture, employing a Single router or Switch, with Segmentation based on VLANs. The design ensures Improved & Stable Network efficiency, Security and Scalability by Isolating departmental traffic and facilitating Inter-departmental Communication via a router. The departments are Admin/IT, Finance, HR, CS/Reception - each have their distinct VLANs and IP Subnets, with their own dedicated devices, including printers, access points and End-user devices Such as Mobiles, Tablets and Laptops.

Network Overview

XYZ Company is structured with four main departments in this Network.

- Admin / IT
- Finance
- HR
- CS/Reception



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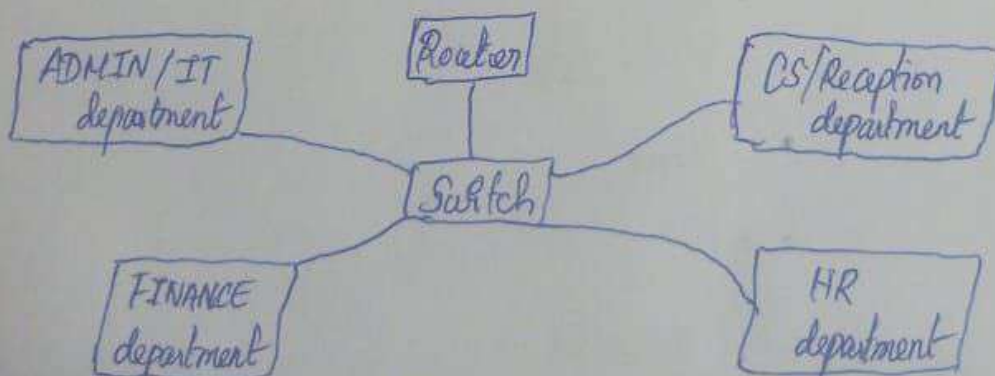
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The Network uses VLANs to Separate traffic between the departments for Security and operational efficiency. The Setup Consists of:

- Single router for Inter-VLAN routing
- Single Switch with VLAN Configuration to Segment traffic.
- Access points for wireless Connectivity in Each department.
- End-user devices Such as Laptops, Mobiles and Tablets.

Network topology

The Network follows a Star topology, where all departments are connected to Central Switch. The router connects to the Switch providing Inter-VLAN routing. Each department has its Own Subnet and VLAN, and Access points provide wireless Access to devices





VLAN Configuration & IP Addressing

Each department is assigned a unique VLAN and corresponding IP Subnet for proper Segmentation and Management.

Admin/IT

VLAN ID = 10

^{IP}
~~Subnet~~ Address - 192.168.0.1/26

IP range - [192.168.0.1 - 192.168.0.62]

Gateway IP - 192.168.0.1

Devices - Two Smartphones.

Finance

VLAN ID - 20

IP Address - 192.168.0.64/26

IP Range - [192.168.0.64 - 192.168.0.126]

Gateway IP - 192.168.0.65

Devices - Laptop, Smartphone



HR

VLAN ID - 30

IP Address - 192.168.0.128/26

IP Range - [192.168.0.128 - 192.168.0.196]

Gateway IP - 192.168.0.129

Devices - Tablet, Smartphone

CS/Reception

VLAN ID - 40

IP Address - 192.168.0.192/26

IP Range - [192.168.0.192 - 192.168.0.254]

Gateway IP - 192.168.0.193

Devices - Laptop, Tablet.

Router and Switch Configuration

The router is configured to support Inter-VLAN Routing, allowing communication between different VLANs. Each VLAN is assigned an interface on the router for routing purposes.

Also, Static routing (or) Routing protocols (eg: OSPF) can be used depending on Network requirements for Scalability and future growth.



Switch, Trunk Configuration and Accesspoints

The switch is configured to handle VLANs and separate traffic from different departments. Each VLAN is assigned a unique VLAN ID. The switchport connecting to the router is configured as a trunk to allow multiple VLAN traffic.

Each department has its own access point to enable wireless connectivity for mobile devices. The APs are configured to broadcast SSIDs that correspond to the department. Each wireless device will obtain an IP address from respective VLAN's DHCP server.

Security Considerations

VLAN Based

Each department is isolated on its respective VLAN to limit unauthorized access to sensitive data.

Access Control Lists

Implement ACLs on the router to control traffic between VLANs and limit access to critical resources.

WPA2(or) WPA3 encryption

Can be used for wireless devices to ensure secure communication over the airwaves and also regular monitoring of network devices and traffic to detect anomalies and ensure network security.

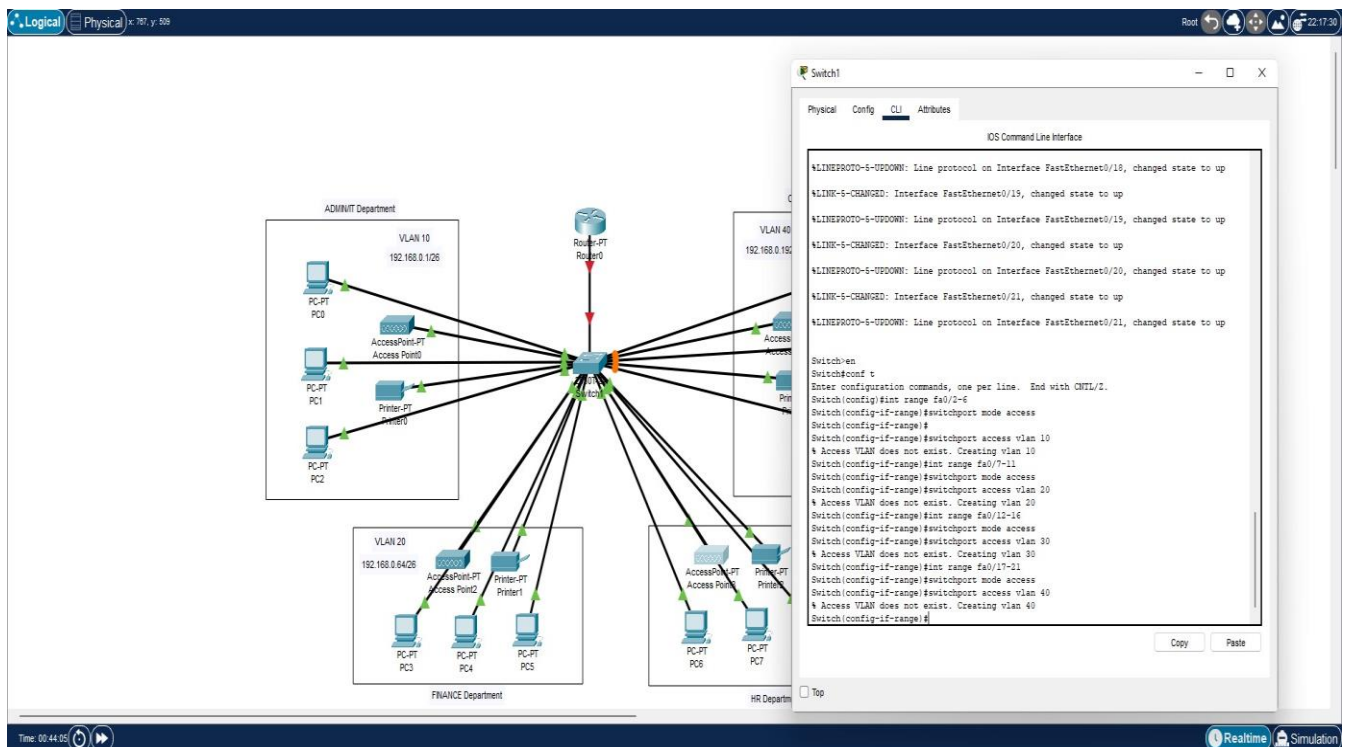
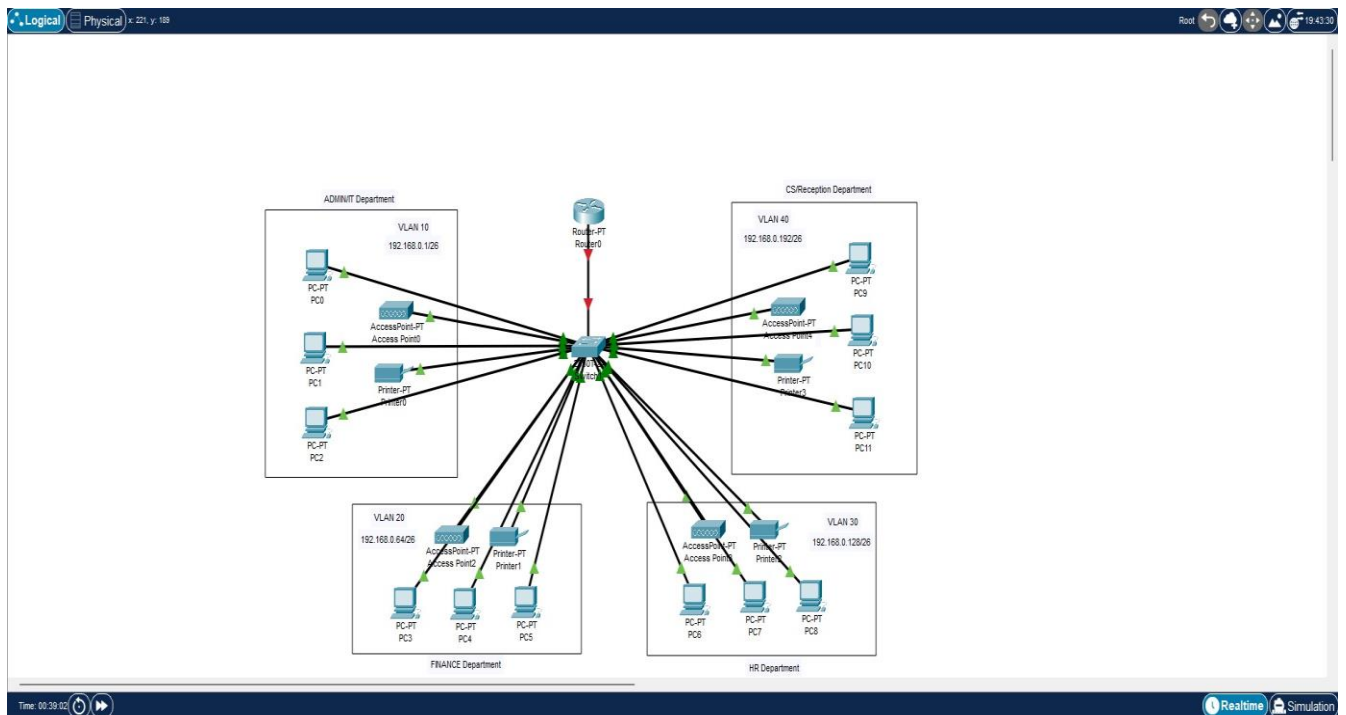


Conclusion

The Network design for XYZ Company provides a Scalable, Secure and efficient Infrastructure by implementing VLANs and Inter VLAN routing, the Network ensures Isolation and optimized Communication between departments.

The Inclusion of wireless access points and dedicated devices ensures that employees have reliable access to Network resources. future growth can be easily accommodated by adding additional VLANs, departments or devices as needed.

RESULT:



Logical Physical x: 146, y: 83 Root 00:52:00

ADMINIT Department

VLAN 10
192.168.0.1/26

PC-PT PC0
PC-PT PC1
PC-PT PC2
Printer-PT
AccessPoint-PT Access Point0

FINANCE Department

VLAN 20
192.168.0.64/26

PC-PT PC3
PC-PT PC4
PC-PT PC5
Printer-PT
AccessPoint-PT Access Point2

Router-PT Router0

Access Point0

Physical Config Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

INTERFACE

Port 0

Port 1

Port Status ☒ On

SSID ADMIN Wifi

2.4 GHz Channel 6

Coverage Range (meters) 140.00

Authentication

☐ Disabled ☐ WEP ☒ WPA2-PSK

WEP Key

PSK Pass Phrase admin123

User ID

Password

Encryption Type AES

Time: 00:49:07

Realtime Simulation

Logical Physical x: 661, y: 556 Root 01:28:30

ADMINIT Department

VLAN 10
192.168.0.1/26

PC-PT PC0
PC-PT PC1
PC-PT PC2
Printer-PT
AccessPoint-PT Access Point0

FINANCE Department

VLAN 20
192.168.0.64/26

PC-PT PC3
PC-PT PC4
PC-PT PC5
Printer-PT
AccessPoint-PT Access Point2

Router-PT Router0

Access Point2

Physical Config Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

INTERFACE

Port 0

Port 1

Port Status ☒ On

SSID FINANCE Wifi

2.4 GHz Channel 6

Coverage Range (meters) 140.00

Authentication

☐ Disabled ☐ WEP ☒ WPA2-PSK

WEP Key

PSK Pass Phrase Admin123

User ID

Password

Encryption Type AES

Time: 00:50:15

Realtime Simulation

Logical Physical x: 397, y: 392 Root 01:50:30

Access Point3

Physical Config Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

INTERFACE

Port 0

Port 1

Port Status

SSID

2.4 GHz Channel

Coverage Range (meters)

Authentication

Disabled

WEP

WPA-PSK

WPA2-PSK

WEP Key

PSK Pass Phrase

User ID

Password

Encryption Type

AES

Port 1

On

HR Wifi

6

140.00

Admin123

AES

CS/Reception Department

VLAN 40

192.168.0.192/26

PC-PT

PC9

AccessPoint-PT

AccessPoint4

PC-PT

PC10

Printer-PT

Printer2

PC-PT

PC11

HR Department

VLAN 30

192.168.0.128/26

AccessPoint-PT

AccessPoint3

PC-PT

PC6

PC-PT

PC7

PC-PT

PC8

Printer-PT

Printer1

Time: 00:51:02 Realtime Simulation

Logical Physical x: 375, y: 303 Root 02:18:30

Access Point4

Physical Config Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

INTERFACE

Port 0

Port 1

Port Status

SSID

2.4 GHz Channel

Coverage Range (meters)

Authentication

Disabled

WEP

WPA-PSK

WPA2-PSK

WEP Key

PSK Pass Phrase

User ID

Password

Encryption Type

AES

Port 1

On

CS Wifi

6

140.00

Admin123

AES

CS/Reception Department

VLAN 40

192.168.0.192/26

PC-PT

PC9

AccessPoint-PT

AccessPoint4

PC-PT

PC10

Printer-PT

Printer2

PC-PT

PC11

HR Department

VLAN 30

192.168.0.128/26

AccessPoint-PT

AccessPoint3

PC-PT

PC6

PC-PT

PC7

PC-PT

PC8

Printer-PT

Printer1

Time: 00:51:52 Realtime Simulation

Logical Physical x: 002, y: 201

Root 17:52:00

Printer0

Physical Config Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

INTERFACE

FastEthernet0

Port Status

Bandwidth

Duplex

MAC Address 0007.EC21.3434

IP Configuration

☒ DHCP

☐ Static

IPv4 Address 192.168.1.3

Subnet Mask 255.255.255.192

IPv6 Configuration

☐ Automatic

☒ Static

IPv6 Address

Link Local Address: FE80::207:ECFF:FE21:3434

PC2

Physical Config Desktop Programming Attributes

Configuration

Interface FastEthernet0

IP Configuration

☒ DHCP

☐ Static DHCP request successful.

IPv4 Address 192.168.1.2

Subnet Mask 255.255.255.192

Default Gateway 192.168.1.1

DNS Server 192.168.1.1

IPv6 Configuration

☐ Automatic

☒ Static

IPv6 Address

Link Local Address FE80::20C:CFFF:FE26:63E2

Default Gateway

DNS Server

802.1X

☐ Use 802.1X Security

Authentication MDS

Username

Password

ADMINIT Department

VLAN 10 192.168.0.1/26

PC-PT PC0

AccessPoint-PT Access Point0

PC-PT PC1

Printer-PT Printer0

PC-PT PC2

VLAN 20 192.168.0.64/26

AccessPoint-PT Access Point2

PC-PT PC3

PC-PT PC4

FINANCE Department

HR Department

Time: 01:22:24

Realtime Simulation

Logical Physical x: 020, y: 442

Root 23:07:30

Smartphone1

Physical Config Desktop Programming Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

Algorithm Settings

INTERFACE

Wireless0

3G/4G Cell

Bluetooth

Port Status

Bandwidth 11 Mbps

MAC Address 0060.7058.BC81

SSID ADMIN Wif

Authentication

☐ Disabled

☐ WEP

☒ WPA-PSK

☐ WPA2-PSK

☐ WPA

☐ WPA2

☐ 802.1X

Method: MDS

WEP Key

PSK Pass Phrase admin123

User ID

Password

User Name

Password

Encryption Type AES

IP Configuration

☒ DHCP

☐ Static

IPv4 Address

Subnet Mask

IPv6 Configuration

☒ Automatic

☐ Static

IPv6 Address

Link Local Address: FE80::260:70FF:FE58:BC81

SMARTPHONE-PT Smartphone0

SMARTPHONE-PT Smartphone1

ADMINIT Department

VLAN 10 192.168.0.1/26

PC-PT PC0

AccessPoint-PT Access Point0

PC-PT PC1

Printer-PT Printer0

PC-PT PC2

VLAN 20 192.168.0.64/26

AccessPoint-PT Access Point2

PC-PT PC3

PC-PT PC4

FINANCE Department

Time: 01:32:37

Realtime Simulation

