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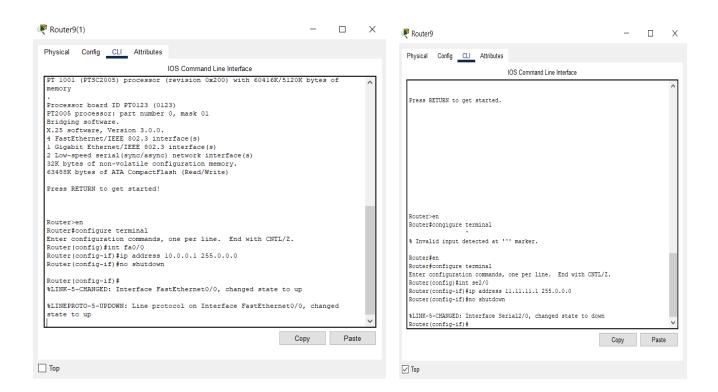
Title: Router Configuration and using static routing to connect multiple LANs in CISCO Packet Tracer.

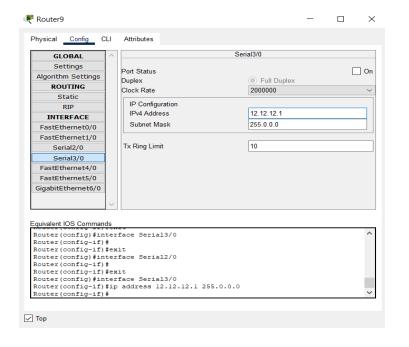
Objective:

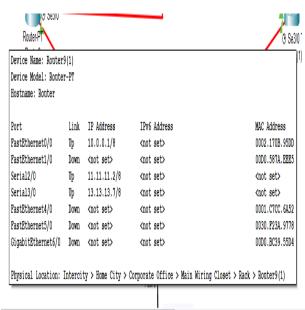
- 1. Understand Default Gateway
- 2. Difference between Switch and Router.
- 3. Router to Router Wiring [Using DCE and DTE Cables]
- 4. Static Routing Configuration
- 5. Default Route

Devices/ software Used: Cisco Packet Tracer

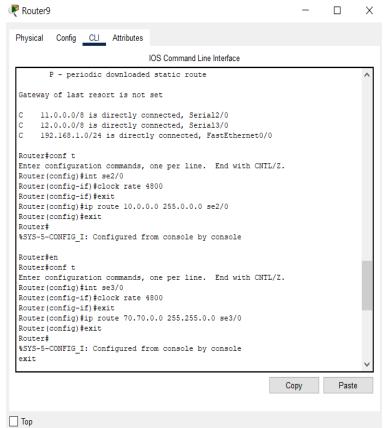
Diagram of the experiment:

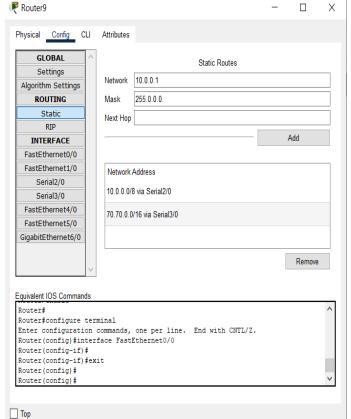


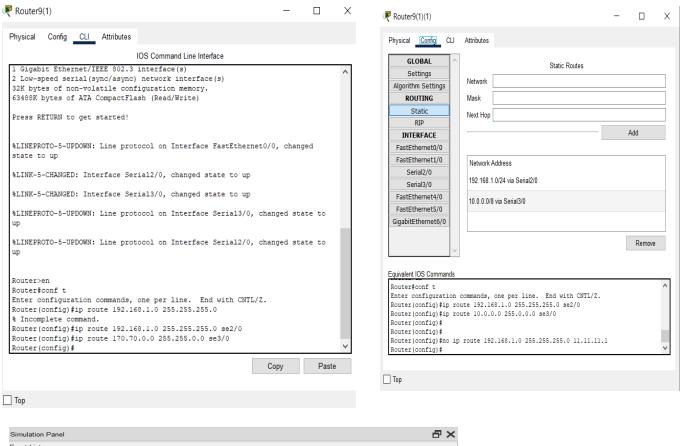




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Event List				
Vis.	Time(sec)	Last Device	At Device	Туре
	0.000		PC0	ICMP
	0.001	PC0	Switch0	ICMP
	0.002	Switch0	PC1	ICMP
	0.002	Switch0	PC2	ICMP
	0.002	Switch0	Router9	ICMP
	0.003	Router9	Router9(1)	ICMP
	0.004	Router9(1)	Switch0(1)	ICMP
	0.005	Switch0(1)	PC0(1)	ICMP
	0.005	Switch0(1)	PC1(1)	ICMP
	0.005	Switch0(1)	PC2(1)	ICMP
	0.006	PC0(1)	Switch0(1)	ICMP
	0.007	Switch0(1)	Router9(1)	ICMP
	0.008	Router9(1)	Router9	ICMP
	0.009	Router9	Switch0	ICMP
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Theory:

Default Gateway:

The default gateway in a network device depicts the ip address of the network router that acts as the first hop.

A network packet has to pass through multiple network devices to reach its destination system from its source. Each time a packet passes through a network device, it is said to be a hop.

So, a PC uses the default route to send data to another network if the destination end system is not a part of the local network.

(If it is not set, what may happen?)

If the default gateway is not set, then the end system will not be able to communicate with other end systems belonging to different networks. The device then would be able to communicate with the devices belonging only to the same local network.

Difference between Switch and Router:

Switches and routers both are different network devices but a switch operates on OSI layer 2 whereas a router operates on OSI layer 3.

A switch is used to connect devices within a local network, while a router is used to connect multiple networks.

A switch uses MAC addresses of devices to manage network traffic, while a router uses IP addresses to manage network traffic.

Router to Router Wiring [Using DCE and DTE Cables]

Both types of cables can be used to connect routers. The difference is that DCE cables are used to connect DTE devices to DTE devices, while DTE cables are used for connecting DTE devices to other DTE devices. DCE devices provide clocking and flow control for the communication link.

The clocking signal ensures that the communication is smooth and synchronized and that the data is transmitted efficiently.

DTE cables transmit data one bit at a time in a serial manner.

Static Route

Static route is a manually configured route which provides a specific path for network traffic. They are useful and suited to simple networks. They are less error prone than dynamic routing protocols. As static routes do not

dynamically adapt to changes in network traffic, they are not suitable for large and complex networks.

Default Route

A default route is also known as default gateway which is the route that is used to direct network traffic to a specific destination when no other route can be found. When a device wants to send a packet to a destination that is not enlisted in the routing table, it sends it to the default gateway.

Configuration of Routers:

First, I went to the router's CLI option and pressed enter. After that, I wrote en and pressed enter. Then write conf t and enter.

After that to set the ip address of the ports I selected a port through the command: int [poort_name] and wrote the following:

ip address [network id of the connecting network] [subnet mask]. Then I wrote no shutdown.

After that I selected a router and assigned IP addresses to the serial ports. To do so I followed the steps as previous and I wrote no shutdown in the CLI to activate them.

Now to configure the routing I entered these commands:

ip route [destination network id] [subnet mask] [serial port number].

Here in the destination network id ,I put the ip address' first 3 octets as it is and put the last octet as 0. Because the first 3 octets determine network id and 4th octet determines host id.

I followed the steps for every router and for each serial port in the router.

Observation:

The default gateway determines a PC's first hop. So when we ping to a PC of a different network the packet is sent to the router. Each router is connected to other networks. When a packet arrives at a router, it reads the packet's destination address and forwards it to the appropriate network. The other routers do the same and eventually deliver the packet to the destination. When the destination PC receives the packet, it sends a confirmation message to the sender PC through network devices i.e. routers.

Challenges:

While configuring the routers, I faced most difficulties during the task . I was putting the whole IP address ignorantly. So it took me some time to realize that a router connects to another network only. So we don't need to put the last octet of the IP address.