## PRACTICAL - 7

# AIM: Run basic utilities and network commands: ipconfig, ping, tracert, netstat, pathping, route,hostname.

#### **Network Command-line Utilities**

These utilities must be run at the prompt of the Cmd.exe command interpreter. To open Command Prompt, click Start, click Run, type cmd, and then click OK. Some command-line toolsrequire the user to have administrator-level privileges on source and/or target computers.

- ipconfig
- ping
- tracert
- pathping
- netstat
- route
- hostname

#### ipconfig

This ipconfig command is used for finding the IP address and default gateway of your network. Displays all current TCP/IP network configuration values and refreshes Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) and Domain Name System (DNS) settings. Used without parameters, ipconfig displays the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway for all adapters.

This enables users to determine which TCP/IP configuration values have been configured by DHCP, Automatic Private IP Addressing (APIPA), or an alternate configuration.

## Syntax of ipconfig

- > ipconfig /all
- > ipconfig /displaydns
- > ipconfig /flushdns

#### **Examples of ipconfig**

- > To display the basic TCP/IP configuration for all adapters, type: ipconfig
- > To display the full TCP/IP configuration for all adapters, type: ipconfig /all
- > To flush the DNS resolver cache when troubleshooting DNS name resolution problems, type: ipconfig /flushdns

# Ping

The ping (packet Internet groper) command is usually used as a simple way to verify that a computer can communicate over the network with another computer or network device. The ping command operates by sending Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Echo Request messages to the destination computer and waiting for a response. Used without parameters, ping displays help.

Ping command can be used to test both the computer name and the IP address of the computer. If pinging the IP address is successful, but pinging the computer name is not, you might have a name resolution problem. In this case, ensure that the computer name you are specifying can be resolved through the local Hosts file, by using Domain Name System (DNS) queries, or through NetBIOS name resolution techniques.

#### Syntax of ping

```
> ping [-t] targetname(url) ping www.google.com
> [-a] targetname(url)
> [-n Count] targetname(url)
> [-I Size] targetname(url)
> [-i TTL] targetname(url)
```

- > Examples of ping
- > The following example shows ping command output:
- > C:\>ping example.microsoft.com
- > Pinging example.microsoft.com [192.168.239.132] with 32 bytes of data:
- > Reply from 192.168.239.132: bytes=32 time=101ms TTL=124
- > Reply from 192.168.239.132: bytes=32 time=100ms TTL=124
- > Reply from 192.168.239.132: bytes=32 time=120ms TTL=124

- > Reply from 192.168.239.132: bytes=32 time=120ms TTL=124
- > To ping the destination 142.250.207.206 and resolve 142.250.207.206 to its host name, type: ping -a 142.250.207.206
- > To ping the destination google.com with 10 Echo Request messages, each of which has a Data field of 1000 bytes, type:
- > ping -n 10 -l 1000 google.com

#### **Tracert**

The tracert command is a Command Prompt command that's used to show several details about the path that a packet takes from the computer or device you're on to whatever destination you specify. It will list all the routers it passes through until it reaches its destination, or fails to and is discarded. Used without parameters, tracert displays help

```
C:\Users\Nemis Ruparel>tracert
Usage: tracert [-d] [-h maximum_hops] [-j host-list] [-w timeout]
               [-R] [-S srcaddr] [-4] [-6] target_name
Options:
                       Do not resolve addresses to hostnames.
    -d
    -h maximum_hops
                       Maximum number of hops to search for target.
    -i host-list
                       Loose source route along host-list (IPv4-only).
    −w timeout
                       Wait timeout milliseconds for each reply.
    -R
                       Trace round-trip path (IPv6-only).
    -S srcaddr
                       Source address to use (IPv6-only).
    -4
                       Force using IPv4.
                       Force using IPv6.
```

This diagnostic tool determines the path taken to a destination by sending ICMP Echo Request messages with varying Time to Live (TTL) values to the destination. Each router along the path is required to decrement the TTL in an IP packet by at least 1 before forwarding it.

Effectively, the TTLis a maximum link counter. When the TTL on a packet reaches 0, the router is expected to return an ICMP Time Exceeded message to the source computer. Tracert determines the path by sendingthe first Echo Request message with a TTL of 1 and incrementing the TTL by 1 on each subsequenttransmission until the target responds or the maximum number of hops is reached. The maximumnumber of hops is 30 by default and can be specified using the -h parameter.

The path is determined by examining the ICMP Time Exceeded messages returned by intermediate routers and the Echo Reply message returned by the destination. However, some routers do not return Time Exceeded messages for packets with expired TTL values and are invisible to the tracert command. In this case, a row of asterisks (\*) is displayed for that hop.

## Syntax of tracert

- > tracert [-d]
- > [-h MaximumHops]
- > [-j HostList]
- > [-w Timeout]
- > [TargetName]

#### **Examples of tracert**

- > To trace the path to the host named type: tracert google.com,
- > To trace the path to the host named corp7.microsoft.com and prevent the resolution of each IP address to its name, type: tracert -d corp7.microsoft.com
- > To trace the path type: tracert -w google.com
- > To trace with number of hope, type: tracert -h 5 google.com

#### **Pathping**

Provides information about network latency and network loss at intermediate hops between a source and destination. Pathping sends multiple Echo Request messages to each router between a source and destination over a period of time and then computes results based on the packets returned from each router. Because pathping displays the degree of packet loss at any given router or link, you can determine which routers or subnets might be having network problems. Pathping performs the equivalent of the tracert command by identifying which routers are on the path. It then sends pings periodically to all of the routers over a specified time period and computes statistics based on the number returned from each. Used without parameters, pathping displays help.

```
C:\Users\Nemis Ruparel>pathping
Usage: pathping [-g host-list] [-h maximum_hops] [-i address] [-n]
                      period] [-q num_queries] [-w timeout]
                 [-4] [-6] target_name
Options:
     g host-list
                      Loose source route along host-list.
       maximum_hops
                       Maximum number of hops to search for target.
                      Use the specified source address.
    -i address
                      Do not resolve addresses to hostnames.
Wait period milliseconds between pings.
    -n
    -p period
     q num_queries
                      Number of queries per hop.
       timeout
                       Wait timeout milliseconds for each reply.
                       Force using IPv4.
                       Force using IPv6.
```

## Syntax of pathping

- > pathping [-n]
- > [-h MaximumHops]
- > [-g HostList]
- > [-p Period]
- > [-q NumQueries]
- > [-w Timeout]
- > [-T]
- > [-R]
- > [TargetName]

## **Examples of pathping**

- > The following example shows pathping command output:
- > pathping -n google.com
- > When pathping is run, the first results list the path. This is the same path that is shown using the tracert command. Next, a busy message is displayed for approximately 90 seconds (the time variesby hop count). During this time, information is gathered from all routers previously listed

and from the links between them. At the end of this period, the test results are displayed.

- > In the sample report above, the This Node/Link, Lost/Sent = Pct and Address columns show that the link between 172.16.87.218 and 192.168.52.1 is dropping 13 percent of the packets. The routers at hops 2 and 4 also are dropping packets addressed to them, but this loss does not affect their ability to forward traffic that is not addressed to them.
- > The loss rates displayed for the links, identified as a vertical bar (|) in the Address column, indicatelink congestion that is causing the loss of packets that are being forwarded on the path. The loss rates displayed for routers (identified by their IP addresses) indicate that these routers might be overloaded.

#### Netstat

Netstat is a common command line TCP/IP networking utility available in most versions of Windows, Linux, UNIX and other operating systems. Netstat provides information and statistics about protocols in use and current TCP/IP network connections. Used without parameters, netstatdisplays active TCP connections.

#### Syntax of netstat

- > netstat [-a]
- > [-e]
- > [-n]
- > [-0]
- > [-p Protocol]
- > [-r]
- > [-s]
- > [Interval]

# **Examples of netstat**

> To display both the Ethernet statistics and the statistics for all protocols, type command:

#### > netstat -e -s

> To display the statistics for only the TCP and UDP protocols, type command:

# netstat -s -p tcp udp

> To display active TCP connections and the process IDs every 5 seconds, type command:

# > netstat -o 5

> To display active TCP connections and the process IDs using numerical form, type command:

#### > Route

> Manipulates network routing tables.

# > Syntax of route

ROUTE [-f] [-p] [-4|-6] command [destination]

[MASK netmask] [gateway] [METRIC metric] [IF interface]

- -f Clears the routing tables of all gateway entries. If this is used in conjunction with one of the commands, the tables are cleared prior to running the command.
- -p When used with the ADD command, makes a route persistent across boots of the system. By default, routes are not preserved when the system is restarted. Ignored for all other commands, which always affect the appropriate persistent routes.
- -4 Force using IPv4.
- -6 Force using IPv6.

command One of these:

PRINT Prints a route

ADD Adds a route

**DELETE** Deletes a route

CHANGE Modifies an existing route

netmask Specifies a subnet mask value for this route entry.

If not specified, it defaults to 255.255.255.255.

gateway Specifies gateway.

## > Examples of route

- > route PRINT
- > route PRINT -4
- > route PRINT -6
- route PRINT 157\* ..... Only prints those matching 157\*
- > route DELETE 157.0.0.0

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