

Cisco Virtual Internship Program (VIP 2025)



Networking Industry Problem Statement – Final Report

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1. Problem Statement

The objective of this project is to design and implement a network topology using Cisco Packet Tracer. The topology must include two LANs connected via three routers with static routing. The configuration should also implement DHCP servers for automatic IP allocation, and failover paths should be available to ensure connectivity in case of a primary link failure.

2. Network Topology

Devices Used

- Routers: R1, R2, R3 (Cisco 2911)
- Switches: 2
- End Devices: PC1 (LAN1), PC2 (LAN2)
- Connections: Serial/DCE-DTE and Copper Straight-Through

Cisco Packet Tracer - C:\Users\Sanket Sutar\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\NetCache\IE\W8\AG9K3\sanket_sutar_Cisco_Virtual_Internship_Solution_Networking_Final.pkt

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Logical Physical x 1091, y 630

Root 21:47:30

Cisco Virtual Internship Program (VIP 2025)

Primary path to reach server

2911 Router1

2911 Router3

2911 Router2

Backup path to reach server

2900-24TT Switch

2900-24TT Switch

PC-PT PC0

Laptop-PT Laptop0

PC-PT PC1

Server-PT Server0

Time: 01:29:05

Realtime Simulation

Scenario 0

New Delete

Toggle PDU List Window

Fire	Last Status	Source	Destination	Type	Color	Time(sec)	Periodic	Num	Edit	Delete
Successful	Router1	Router3	ICMP		0.000	N	0	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	Router2	Router3	ICMP		0.000	N	1	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	PC0	Server0	ICMP		0.000	N	2	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	PC1	PC0	ICMP		0.000	N	3	(edit)	(delete)	

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Logical Physical x 1390, y 558

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Primary path to reach server

2911 Router1

2911 Router3

2911 Router2

Backup path to reach server

2900-24TT Switch

2900-24TT Switch

PC-PT PC0

Laptop-PT Laptop0

PC-PT PC1

Server-PT Server0

Time: 01:30:15

Realtime Simulation

Scenario 0

New Delete

Toggle PDU List Window

PDU List Window

Fire	Last Status	Source	Destination	Type	Color	Time(sec)	Periodic	Num	Edit	Delete
Successful	Router1	Router3	ICMP		0.000	N	0	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	Router2	Router3	ICMP		0.000	N	1	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	PC0	Server0	ICMP		0.000	N	2	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	PC1	PC0	ICMP		0.000	N	3	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	Lapto...	PC1	ICMP		0.000	N	4	(edit)	(delete)	
Successful	Server0	Laptop0	ICMP		0.000	N	5	(edit)	(delete)	

3. IP Addressing Scheme

Device	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask	Purpose
R1	G0/0	192.168.10.1	255.255.255.0	LAN1 Gateway
R1	G0/1	10.0.13.1	255.255.255.252	R1–R3 link
R1	G0/2	10.0.12.1	255.255.255.252	R1–R2 link
R2	G0/0	10.0.12.2	255.255.255.252	R1–R2 link
R2	G0/1	10.0.23.1	255.255.255.252	R2–R3 link
R3	G0/0	192.168.20.1	255.255.255.0	LAN2 Gateway
R3	G0/1	10.0.13.2	255.255.255.252	R1–R3 link
R3	G0/2	10.0.23.2	255.255.255.252	R2–R3 link

4. Configuration Steps

Step 1: Assign IP addresses to all router interfaces(Router1)

```
configure terminal
interface g0/0
ip address 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0
no shutdown
interface g0/1
ip address 10.0.13.1 255.255.255.252
no shutdown
interface g0/2
ip address 10.0.12.1 255.255.255.252
no shutdown
```

Step 2: Configure DHCP On R1 (LAN1)

```
ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.10.1
ip dhcp pool LAN1
network 192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0
default-router 192.168.10.1
dns-server 8.8.8.8
```

On R3 (LAN2)

ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.20.1

ip dhcp pool LAN2

network 192.168.20.0 255.255.255.0

default-router 192.168.20.1

dns-server 8.8.8.8

Step 3: Configure Static Routes On R1:

ip route 192.168.20.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.13.2

ip route 192.168.20.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.12.2 10

On R3:

ip route 192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.13.1

ip route 192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.23.1 10

On R2:

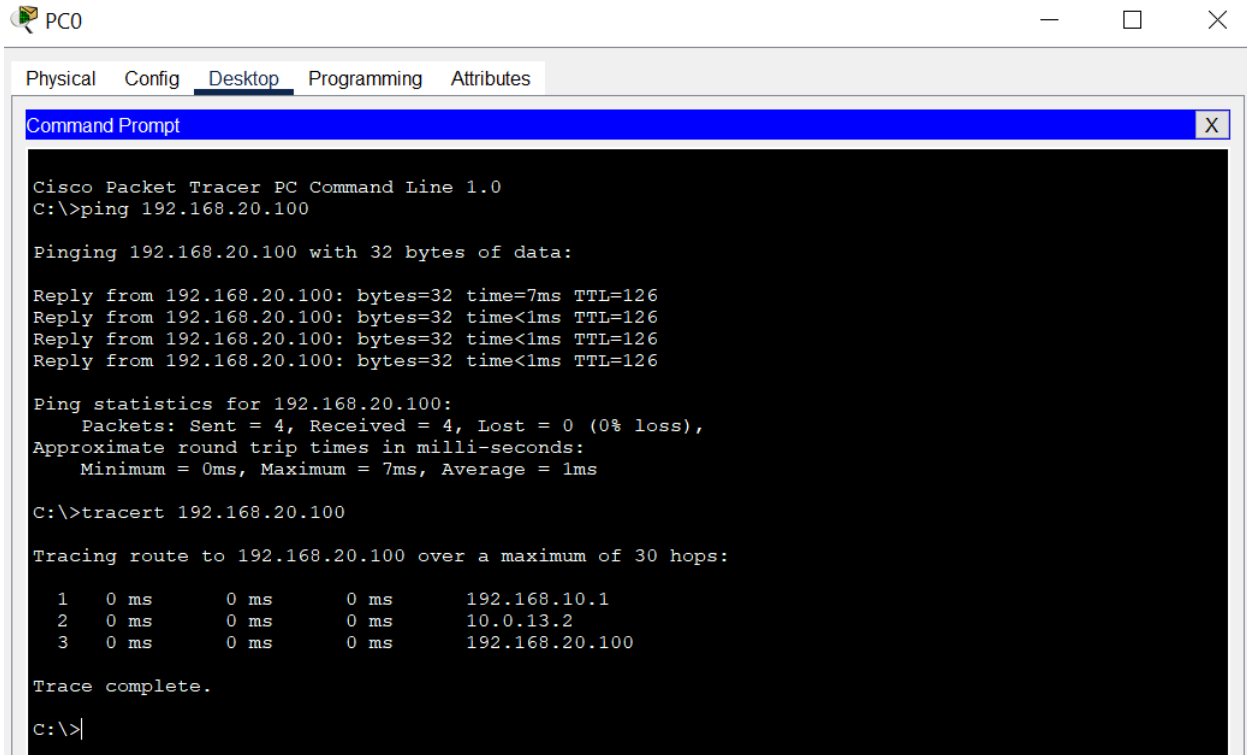
ip route 192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.12.1

ip route 192.168.20.0 255.255.255.0 10.0.23.2

(b) Ping Test

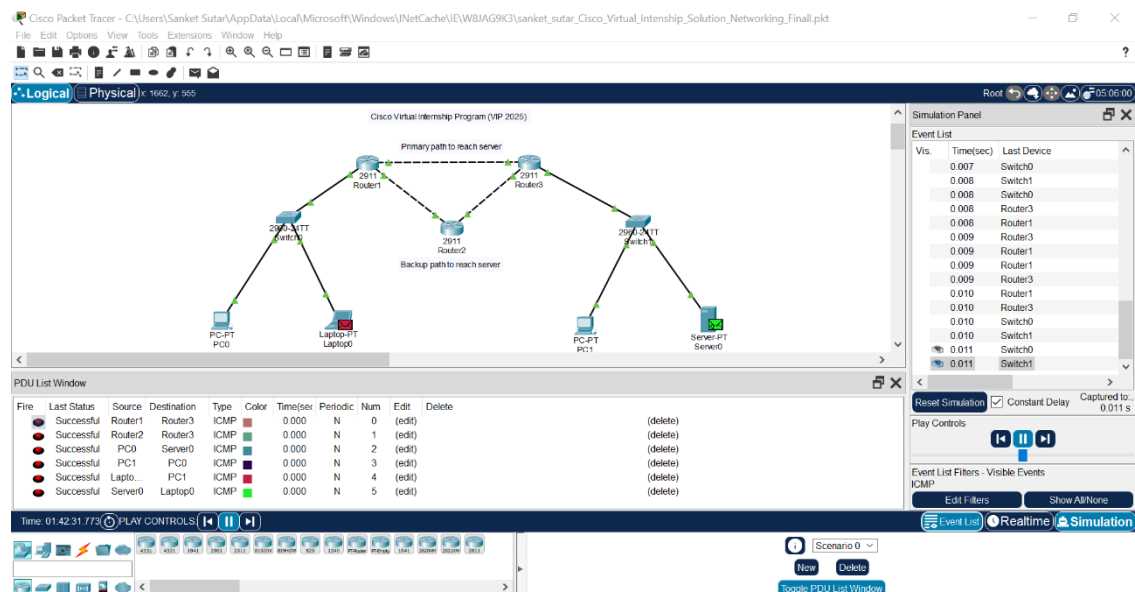
C:\> ping 192.168.20.100

Reply from 192.168.20.100: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128



d) Failover Test

1. Shut down **R1–R3** link (G0/1 on R1 or R3)
2. Run **tracert** again:



Cisco VIP Project - Auto Topology + Config Generator

Google Colab link: <https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1MLFLSEffI0oYZ9IW0p5Q-uIl0tgHKdw?usp=sharing>

```
import json, os, zipfile, textwrap

import networkx as nx

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

from datetime import datetime

from IPython.display import FileLink, display


# ----- Define Final Topology -----

topology = {

    "project": "Cisco_VIP_Static_Routing_with_Backup",

    "addressing": {

        "LAN1": {"network": "192.168.10.0/24", "gateway": "192.168.10.1"},

        "LAN2": {"network": "192.168.20.0/24", "gateway": "192.168.20.1"},

        "R1_R2": {"network": "10.0.12.0/30", "R1": "10.0.12.1", "R2": "10.0.12.2"},

        "R1_R3": {"network": "10.0.13.0/30", "R1": "10.0.13.1", "R3": "10.0.13.2"},

        "R2_R3": {"network": "10.0.23.0/30", "R2": "10.0.23.1", "R3": "10.0.23.2"}

    },

    "devices": {

        "R1": {

            "type": "router",

            "interfaces": {

                "g0/0": {"ip": "192.168.10.1", "mask": "255.255.255.0"},

                "g0/1": {"ip": "10.0.12.1", "mask": "255.255.255.252"},

                "g0/2": {"ip": "10.0.13.1", "mask": "255.255.255.252"}

            },

            "routes": [

                {"dst": "192.168.20.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.13.2", "ad": 1},

                {"dst": "192.168.20.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.12.2", "ad": 10}

            ]

        },

    },

}
```



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"R2": {
  "type": "router",
  "interfaces": {
    "g0/0": {"ip": "10.0.12.2", "mask": "255.255.255.252"},
    "g0/1": {"ip": "10.0.23.1", "mask": "255.255.255.252"}
  },
  "routes": [
    {"dst": "192.168.10.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.12.1"},
    {"dst": "192.168.20.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.23.2"}
  ]
},
"R3": {
  "type": "router",
  "interfaces": {
    "g0/0": {"ip": "192.168.20.1", "mask": "255.255.255.0"},
    "g0/1": {"ip": "10.0.13.2", "mask": "255.255.255.252"},
    "g0/2": {"ip": "10.0.23.2", "mask": "255.255.255.252"}
  },
  "routes": [
    {"dst": "192.168.10.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.13.1"},
    {"dst": "192.168.10.0", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "nexthop": "10.0.23.1", "ad": 10}
  ],
  "dhcp": {
    "exclude": ["192.168.20.1"],
    "pool": {
      "name": "LAN2",
      "network": "192.168.20.0",
      "mask": "255.255.255.0",
      "default_router": "192.168.20.1",
      "dns": "8.8.8.8"
    }
  }
}

```

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    },
    "S0": {"type": "switch"},
    "S1": {"type": "switch"},
    "PC0": {"type": "pc", "lan": "LAN1", "dhcp": True},
    "Laptop0": {"type": "laptop", "lan": "LAN1", "dhcp": True},
    "PC1": {"type": "pc", "lan": "LAN2", "dhcp": True},
    "Server0": {"type": "server", "ip": "192.168.20.100", "mask": "255.255.255.0", "gw": "192.168.20.1"}
},
"links": [
    ["R1:g0/1", "R2:g0/0"],
    ["R1:g0/2", "R3:g0/1"],
    ["R2:g0/1", "R3:g0/2"],
    ["R1:g0/0", "S0"], ["S0", "PC0"], ["S0", "Laptop0"],
    ["R3:g0/0", "S1"], ["S1", "PC1"], ["S1", "Server0"]
]
}

```

----- Generate Configs -----

```

def router_cfg(name, spec):
    lines = [f'hostname {name}']

    for ifc, ipd in spec["interfaces"].items():
        lines += [f'interface {ifc}', f' ip address {ipd["ip"]} {ipd["mask"]}', " no shutdown", " exit"]

    if "dhcp" in spec:
        dhcp = spec["dhcp"]
        for e in dhcp["exclude"]:
            lines.append(f'ip dhcp excluded-address {e}')

        lines += [f'ip dhcp pool {dhcp["pool"]["name"]}',
                  f' network {dhcp["pool"]["network"]} {dhcp["pool"]["mask"]}',
                  f' default-router {dhcp["pool"]["default_router"]}',
                  f' dns-server {dhcp["pool"]["dns"]}', " exit"]

    for r in spec.get("routes", []):
        ad = f' {r["ad"]}' if "ad" in r else ""

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        lines.append(f'ip route {r['dst']} {r['mask']} {r['nexthop']} {ad}')

    lines.append("end")

    return "\n".join(lines)

os.makedirs("/content/configs", exist_ok=True)

for d, spec in topology["devices"].items():
    if spec["type"] == "router":
        with open(f'/content/configs/{d}.cfg', "w") as f:
            f.write(router_cfg(d, spec))

with open("/content/topology.json", "w") as f:
    json.dump(topology, f, indent=2)

# ----- Draw Diagram -----
G = nx.Graph()

for dev in topology["devices"].keys():
    G.add_node(dev)

for l in topology["links"]:
    G.add_edge(l[0].split(":")[0], l[1].split(":")[0])

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))

nx.draw(G, with_labels=True, node_size=2000, font_size=9)

plt.title("VIP Network Topology")

plt.savefig("/content/topology.png")

plt.show()

# ----- Zip Everything -----

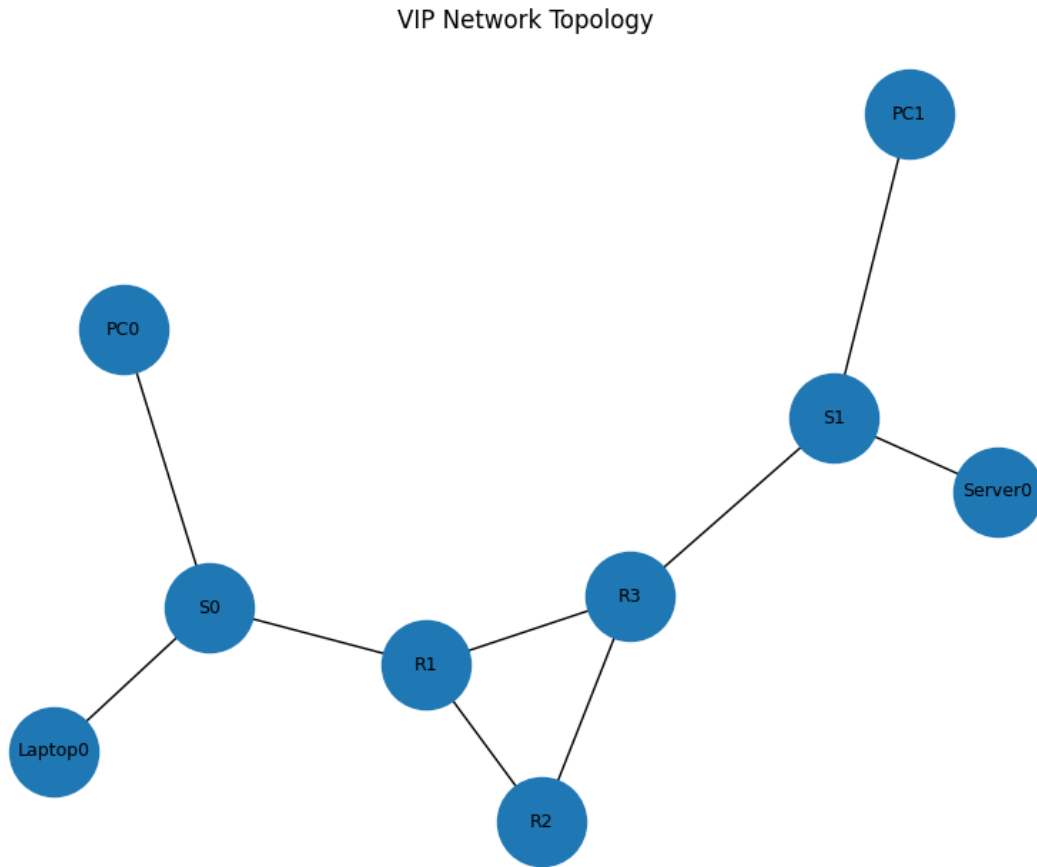
zip_path = f'/content/VIP_Project_{datetime.now().strftime("%Y%m%d_%H%M%S')}.zip'

with zipfile.ZipFile(zip_path, "w") as z:
    z.write("/content/topology.json", "topology.json")
    z.write("/content/topology.png", "topology.png")
    for f in os.listdir("/content/configs"):
        z.write(f'/content/configs/{f}', f'configs/{f}')

```

display(FileLink(zip_path, result_html_prefix="📄 Download: "))

Topology Image:-



Conclusion

- Both LANs successfully receive IP addresses dynamically through DHCP.
- Static routing enables communication between LAN1 and LAN2.
- Failover mechanism is successfully implemented — traffic shifts to the backup path when the primary link fails.
- The project demonstrates **end-to-end connectivity, DHCP automation, and redundancy** in a simple network topology.