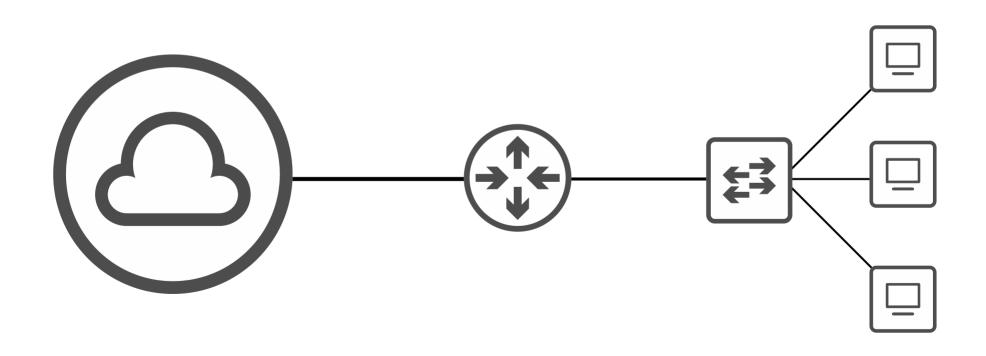


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Virtual Routing & Forwarding





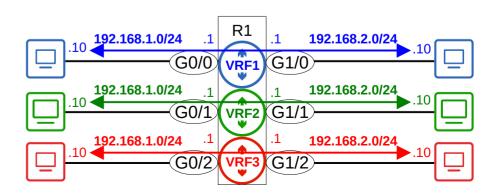
Things we'll cover

- Intro to VRF
- VRF Configuration



VRF

- Virtual Routing & Forwarding is used to divide a single router into multiple virtual routers.
 - → Similar to how VLANs are used to divide a single switch (LAN) into multiple virtual switches (VLANs).
- It does this by allowing a router to build multiple separate routing tables.
 - → Interfaces (Layer 3 only) & routes are configured to be in a specific **VRF** (aka *VRF Instance*).
 - → Router interfaces, SVIs & routed ports on multilayer switches can be configured in a VRF.
- Traffic in one VRF cannot be forwarded out of an interface in another VRF.
 - → As an exception, *VRF Leaking* can be configured to allow traffic to pass between VRF's.
- VRF is commonly used to facilitate MPLS.
 - → The kind of VRF we are talking about is **VRF-lite** (VRF without MPLS).
- VRF is commonly used by service providers to allow one device to carry traffic from multiple customers.
 - → Each customer's traffic is isolated from the others.
 - → Customer IP addresses can overlap without issues.





VRF Configuration

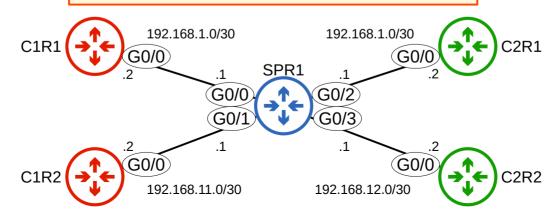
```
SPR1(config)# interface g0/0
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252
SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/1
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.11.1 255.255.255.252
SPR1(config-if)# in shutdown

SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/2
SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/2
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252
% 192.168.1.0 overlaps with GigabitEthernet0/0

SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.2 255.255.255.252
% 192.168.1.0 overlaps with GigabitEthernet0/0

Even if the IP address is different, G0/2 cannot be configured in the same subnet as G0/0.
```

Without the use of VRF, two interfaces on the same router cannot be in the same subnet.





VRF Configuration

```
SPR1(config)# ip vrf CUSTOMER1
SPR1(config-vrf)# ip vrf CUSTOMER2
                                                                            1. Create VRFs:
SPR1(config-vrf)# do show ip vrf
                                                                            SPR1(config)# ip vrf name
                                    Default RD
                                                           Interfaces
  Name
                                                                            2. Assign interfaces to VRFs:
  CUSTOMER1
                                    <not set>
                                                                            SPR1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding name
 CUSTOMER2
                                    <not set>
SPR1(config-vrf)# interface g0/0
SPR1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding
% Interface GigabitEthernet0/0 IPv4 disabled and address(es) removed due to enabling VRF CUSTOMER1
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252
                                                               If an interface has an IP address configured, the IP address
SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/1
                                                               will be removed when you assign the interface to a VRF.
SPR1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding
% Interface GigabitEthernet0/1 IPv4 disabled and address(es) removed due to enabling VRF CUSTOMER1
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.11.1 255.255.255.252
SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/2
SPR1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding CUSTOMER2
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252
SPR1(config-if)# no shutdown
                                                                            192.168.1.0/30
                                                                                                  192.168.1.0/30
SPR1(config-if)# interface g0/3
                                                                                                          G0/0
                                                                          G0/0
SPR1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding CUSTOMER2
                                                                                          SPR1
SPR1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.12.1 255.255.255.252
SPR1(config-if)# no shutdown
                                                                                    G0/0
                                                                                                 G0/2
SPR1(config-if)# do show ip vrf
                                                                                    G0/1
                                                Interfaces
  Name
                         Default RD
  CUSTOMER1
                         <not set>
                                                Gi0/0
                                                Gi0/1
                                                                          G0/0
 CUSTOMER2
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                                                Gi0/3
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192.168.12.0/30



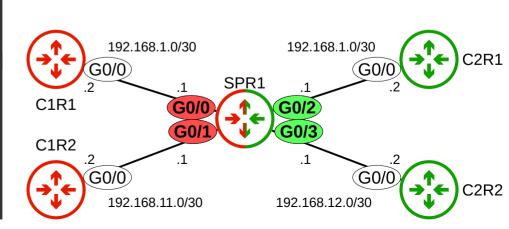
SPR1# show ip route

VRF Configuration

```
Codes: L - local, C - connected, S - static, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
      D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
      N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
      E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2
      i - IS-IS, su - IS-IS summary, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2
      ia - IS-IS inter area, * - candidate default, U - per-user static route
      o - ODR, P - periodic downloaded static route, H - NHRP, 1 - LISP
      a - application route
      + - replicated route, % - next hop override, p - overrides from PfR
Gateway of last resort is not set
SPR1# show ip route vrf CUSTOMER1
!output omitted
     192.168.1.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
        192.168.1.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/0
        192.168.1.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/0
     192.168.11.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
        192.168.11.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/1
        192.168.11.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/1
SPR1# show ip route vrf CUSTOMER2
Routing Table: CUSTOMER2
!output omitted
     192.168.1.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
        192.168.1.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/2
        192.168.1.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/2
     192.168.12.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
        192.168.12.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/3
        192.168.12.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/3
```

show ip route displays the global routing table.

- *All of SPR1's interfaces are configured in VRFs, so nothing displays here.
- *You can have a mix of interfaces using and not using VRFs.

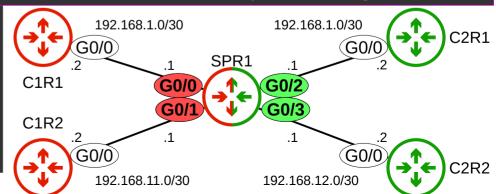




VRF Configuration

```
SPR1# ping 192.168.1.2
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.1.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 0 percent (0/5)
                                                C1R1
                        192.168.1.2
SPR1# ping vrf CUSTOME
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.1.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/1/1 ms
SPR1# ping vrf CUSTOMER1 192.168.11.2
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.11.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/1/1 ms
SPR1# ping vrf CUSTOMER1 192.168.12.2
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.12.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 0 percent (0/5)
SPR1# ping vrf CUSTOMER2 192.168.1.2
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.1.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/1/1 ms
SPR1# ping vrf CUSTOMER2 192.168.12.2
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 192.168.12.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/1/1 ms
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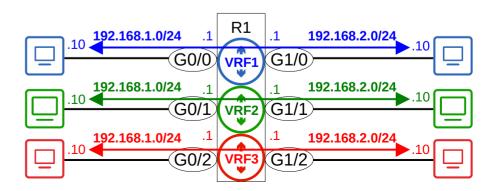
```
SPR1# show ip route vrf CUSTOMER1
!output omitted
      192.168.1.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
         192.168.1.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/0 192.168.1.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/0
      192.168.11.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
         192.168.11.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/1
         192.168.11.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/1
SPR1# show ip route vrf CUSTOMER2
Routing Table: CUSTOMER2
!output omitted
      192.168.1.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
         192.168.1.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/2
         192.168.1.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/2
      192.168.12.0/24 is variably subnetted, 2 subnets, 2 masks
         192.168.12.0/30 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/3
         192.168.12.1/32 is directly connected, GigabitEthernet0/3
```





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Quiz 1

You issue the following commands on R1's G0/0 interface:

```
R1(config)# interface g0/0
R1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.252
R1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding VRF1
```

However, after issuing **show ip interface brief** you notice that G0/0 does not have an IP address. Why is that?

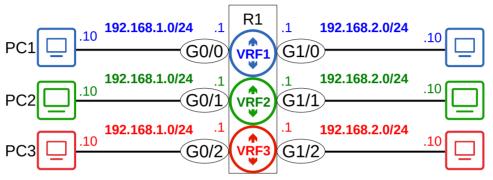
- a) You must use the command ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.252 vrf VRF1.
- b) The IP address was removed by the ip vrf forwarding VRF1 command.
- c) You must use **show ip route vrf VRF1** to view the IP address.
- d) VRF1 doesn't exist yet.

```
R1(config)# interface g0/0
R1(config-if)# ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.252
R1(config-if)# ip vrf forwarding VRF1
% Interface GigabitEthernet0/0 IPv4 disabled and address(es) removed due to enabling VRF VRF1
```

Quiz 2

Examine the network below. If you issue the command **ping 192.168.1.10** on R1, which device

will respond?



- a) PC1
- b) PC2
- c) PC3
- d) No device will respond.



Quiz 3

Which of the following statements about VLANs and VRFs are true? (select three)

- a) VRFs divide routers up by creating separate broadcast domains.
- b) VLANs divide switches up by creating separate MAC address tables.
- c) VRFs divide routers up by creating separate routing tables.
- d) VLANs divide switches up by creating separate broadcast domains.
- e) VRFs can only be configured on routers.
- f) Router interfaces in different VRFs can have the same IP address.