

Experiment - 2

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AIM:

Study of Socket Programming and Client – Server model.

THEORY:

SOCKET PROGRAMMING

Socket Programming is a way of connecting two nodes on a network to communicate with each other. One socket (node) listens on a particular port at an IP, while the other socket reaches out to that IP and port to establish a connection. It's essential in client-server models for network communication.

CLIENT SERVER MODEL

Client: Initiates a request and waits for the response.

Server: Waits for incoming requests, processes them, and sends back a response.

This model is widely used in web servers (HTTP), email systems (SMTP), database systems, etc.

This model forms the basis for network communication, with sockets being used in almost all modern networking applications.

KEY FEATURES OF SOCKET PROGRAMMING

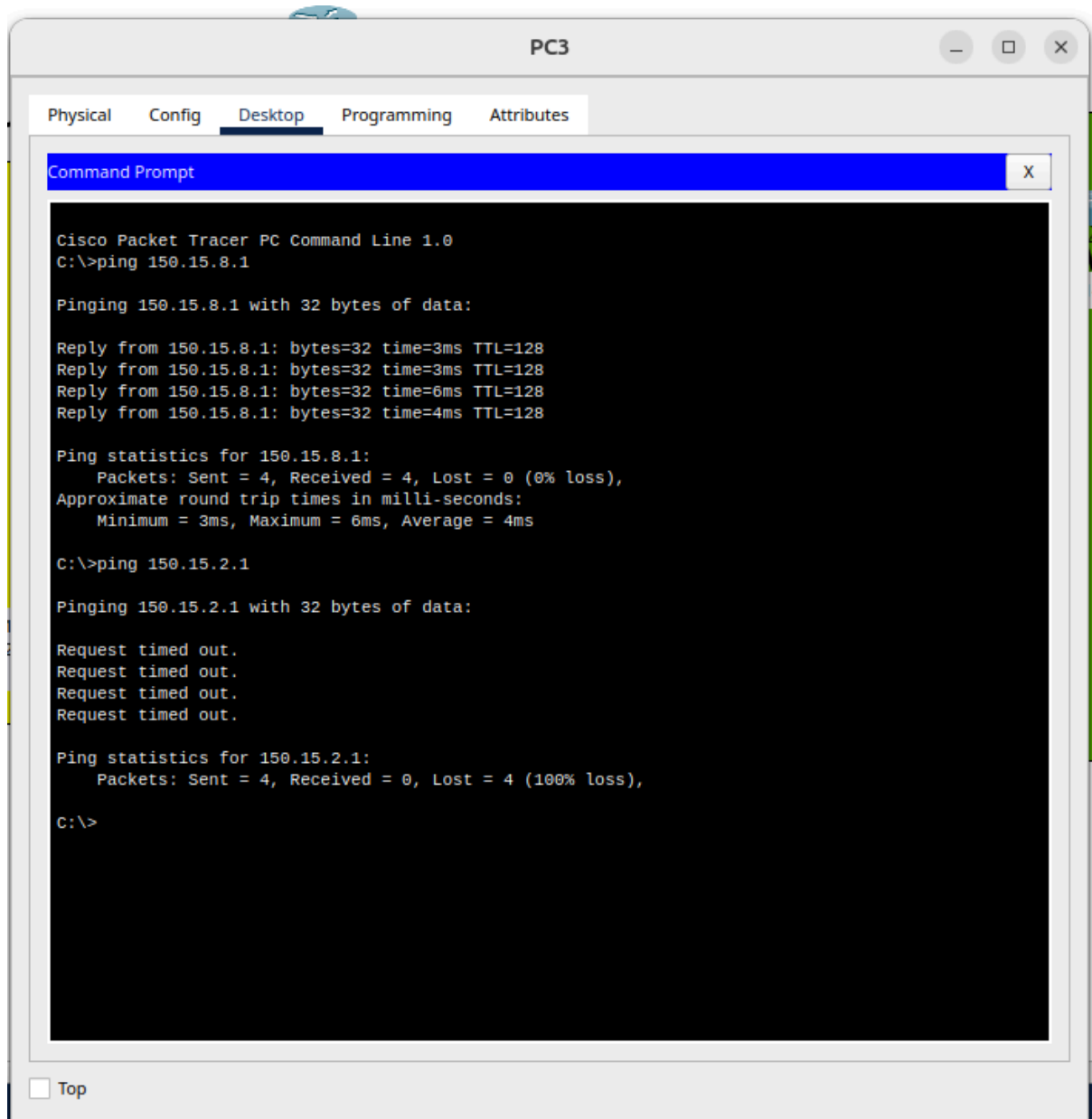
Socket: An endpoint for sending or receiving data. It's bound to a port number so that the TCP layer can identify the application that data is destined for.

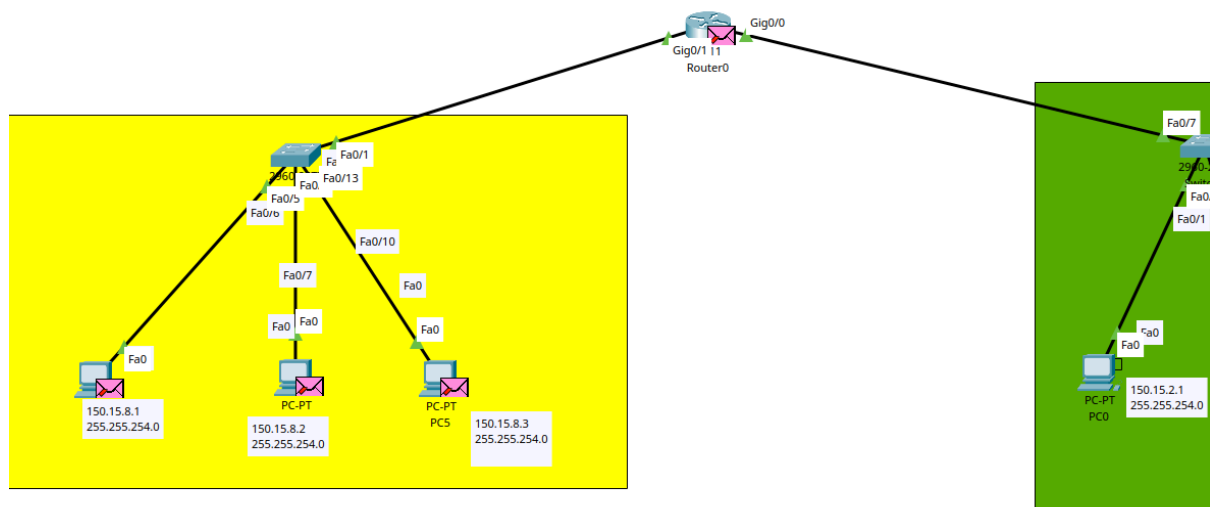
- Types:
 - Stream Socket (TCP): Reliable, connection-oriented socket.
 - Datagram Socket (UDP): Connectionless, faster but unreliable.

Server: The server is a program that waits for incoming requests from clients. It listens for connections and processes data from clients.

Client: The client requests a connection to the server and sends or receives data once connected.

Output:





CONCLUSION :

I have learned about socket programming, including its key concepts like socket creation, binding, sending, and receiving data. Additionally, I explored how to work with socket programming in client-server models, key features such as stream and datagram sockets, and IP addresses and their configurations. This understanding is essential for building reliable network communication systems.