

### **Experiment 05 - IP addressing, Subnet and Subnet Mask**

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**Tools:** MS Word, Cisco Packet Trace

#### **Theory:**

Address - The unique number ID assigned to one host or interface in a network.

**Subnet -** A portion of a network that shares a particular subnet address.

Subnet mask - A 32-bit combination used to describe which portion of an address refers to the subnet and which part refers to the host.

Interface - A network connection.

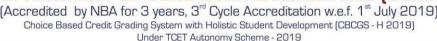
#### **IP Addresses:**

- An IP address is an address used in order to uniquely identify a device on an IP network.
- The address is made up of 32 binary bits, which can be divisible into a network portion and host portion with the help of a subnet mask.
- The 32 binary bits are broken into four octets (1 octet = 8 bits). Each octet is converted to decimal and separated by a period (dot). For this reason, an IP address is said to be expressed in dotted decimal format (for example, 172.16.81.100).
- The value in each octet ranges from 0 to 255 decimal, or 00000000 111111111 binary.
- A network mask helps you know which portion of the address identifies the network and which portion of the address identifies the node.
- Class A, B, and C networks have default masks, also known as natural masks, as shown here:
  - Class A: 255.0.0.0
  - Class B: 255.255.0.0
  - Class C: 255.255.255.0 Estd 2001
- For the IP addresses from Class A, the first 8 bits (the first decimal number) represent the network part, while the remaining 24 bits represent the host part.
- For Class B, the first 16 bits (the first two numbers) represent the network part, while the remaining 16 bits represent the host part.
- For Class C, the first 24 bits represent the network part, while the remaining 8 bits represent the host part.

#### **Creation of Subnets:**



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• There are a couple of ways to create subnets. Lets subnet a class C address 192.168.0.0 that, by default, has 24 subnet bits and 8 host bits.

1. How many subnets do we need?

**x** is the number of 1s in the subnet mask.

With 1 subnet bit, we can have 2<sup>1</sup> or 2 subnets. With 2 bits, 22 or 4 subnets, with 3 bits, 23 or 8 subnets, etc.

2. How many hosts per subnet do we need?  $2^y - 2 =$  number of hosts per subnet. y is the number of 0s in the subnet mask.

#### **Subnetting:**

- Subnetting is the practice of dividing a network into two or more smaller networks. It increases routing efficiency, enhances the security of the network and reduces the size of the broadcast domain.
- It allows you to create multiple logical networks that exist within a single Class A, B, or C network.
- Each data link on a network must have a unique network ID, with every node on that link being a member of the same network. If you break a major network (Class A, B, or C) into smaller subnetworks, it allows you to create a network of interconnecting subnetworks. Each data link on this network would then have a unique network/subnetwork ID. Any device, or gateway, that connects n networks/subnetworks has n distinct IP addresses, one for each network / subnetwork that it interconnects.

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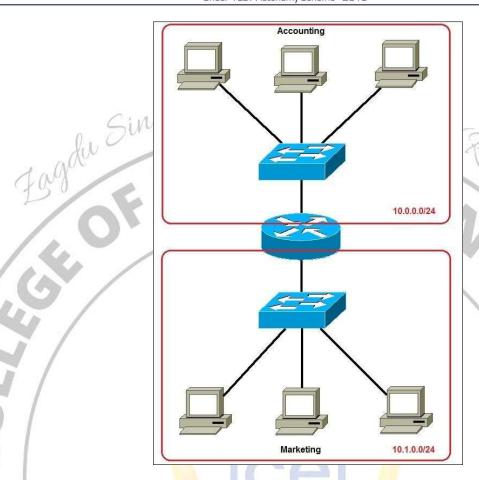
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• In the above diagram two subnets were created for different departments: 10.0.0.0/24 for Accounting and 10.1.0.0/24 for Marketing. Devices in each subnet are now in a different broadcast domain. This will reduce the amount of traffic flowing on the network and allow us to implement packet filtering on the router.

#### **Subnet Mask:**

- An IP address is divided into two parts:
  - Network id and subnet id
  - Host id.
- For example, an IP class A address consists of 8 bits identifying the network and 24 bits identifying the host. This is because the default subnet mask for a class A IP address is 8 bits long. (or, written in dotted decimal notation, 255.0.0.0).

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- Like an IP address, a subnet mask also consists of 32 bits. Computers use it to determine the network part and the host part of an address. The 1s in the subnet mask represent a network part, the 0s a host part.
- Computers works only with bits. The math used to determine a network range is binary **AND**.



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	INPUT 1	INPUT 2	OUTPUT
	0	0	0
	0	1	0
/	1	0	0
-	1	1	1

Fig1. AND Truth Table

• Let's say that we have the IP address of 10.0.0.1 with the default subnet mask of 8 bits (255.0.0.0).

First, we need to convert the IP address to binary:

• Computers then use the AND operation to determine the network number:

Fig2. Network Number

• The computer can then determine the size of the network. Only IP addresses that begin with 10 will be in the same network. So, in this case, the range of addresses in this network is 10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255.

#### **Subnetting Example:**

- Let's say that we need to subnet a class C address 192.168.0.0/24. We need two subnets with 50 hosts per subnet. Here is our calculation:
- 1. Since we need only two subnets, we need 21 subnet bits. In our case, this means that we will take one bit from the host part. Calculation is shown below:

First, we have a class C address 192.168.0.0 with the subnet mask of 24. Let's convert them to binary:

We need to covert a single zero from the host part of the subnet mask. Here is our new subnet mask:

255.255.255.128 = 111111111.11111111.11111111.10000000

Remember, the ones in the subnet mask represent the network.

2. We need 50 hosts per subnet. Since we took one bit from the host part, we are left with seven bits for the hosts. Is it enough for 50 hosts? The formula to calculate the number of hosts is  $2^y - 2$ , with y representing the number of host bits. Since  $2^7 - 2$  is 126, we have more than enough bits for our hosts.



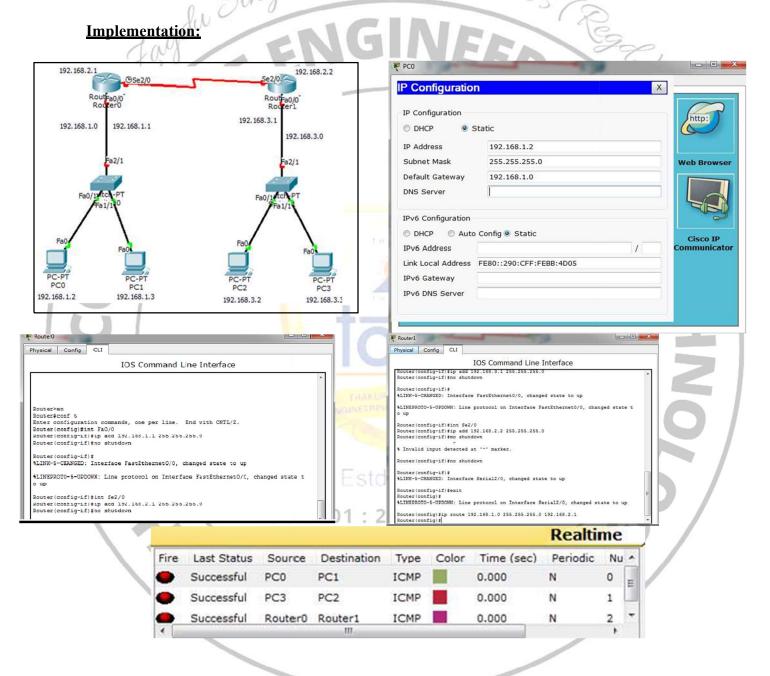


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3. Our network will look like this:

192.168.0.0/25 – the first subnet has the subnet number of 192.168.0.0. The range of IP addresses in this subnet is 192.168.0.0 – 192.168.0.127.

192.168.0.128/25 – the second subnet has the subnet number of 192.168.0.128. The range of IP addresses in this subnet is 192.168.0.128 - 192.168.0.255.

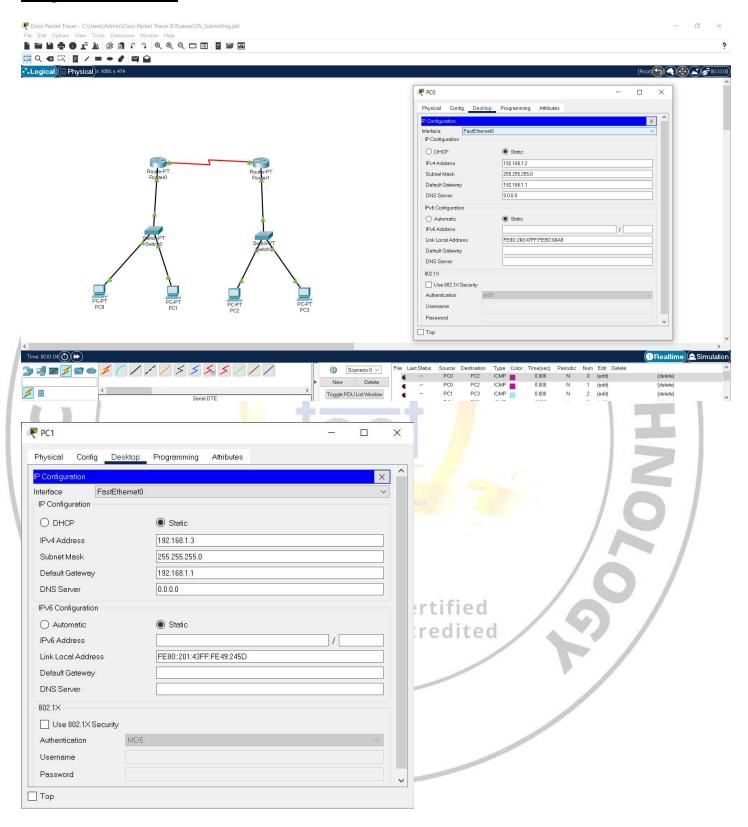






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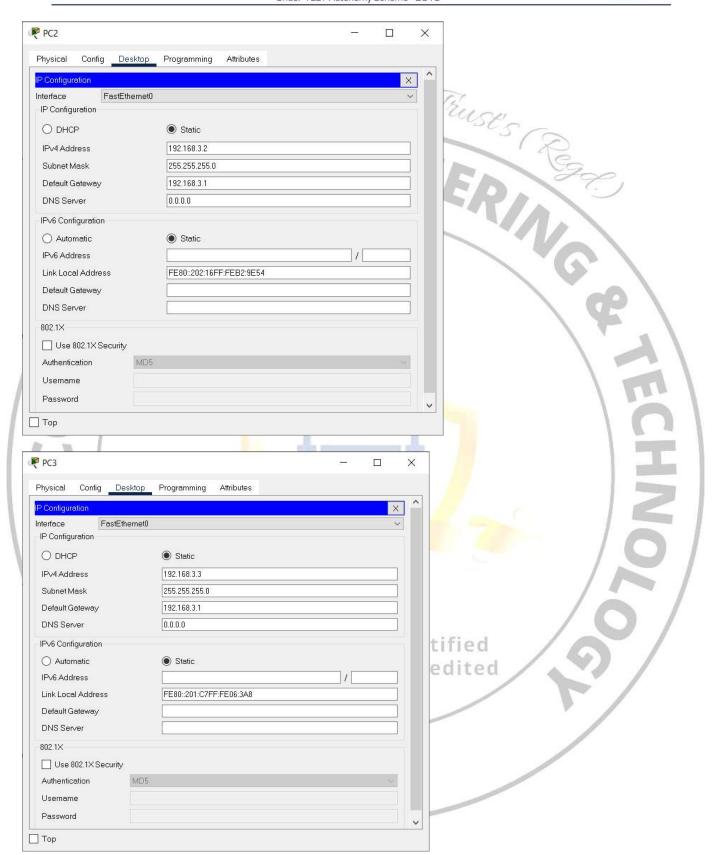
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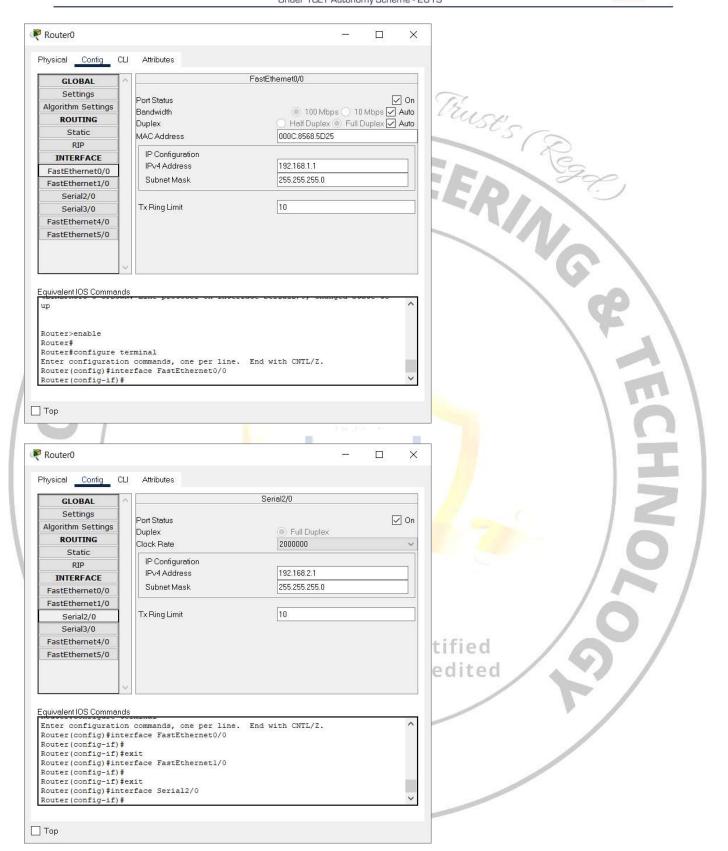
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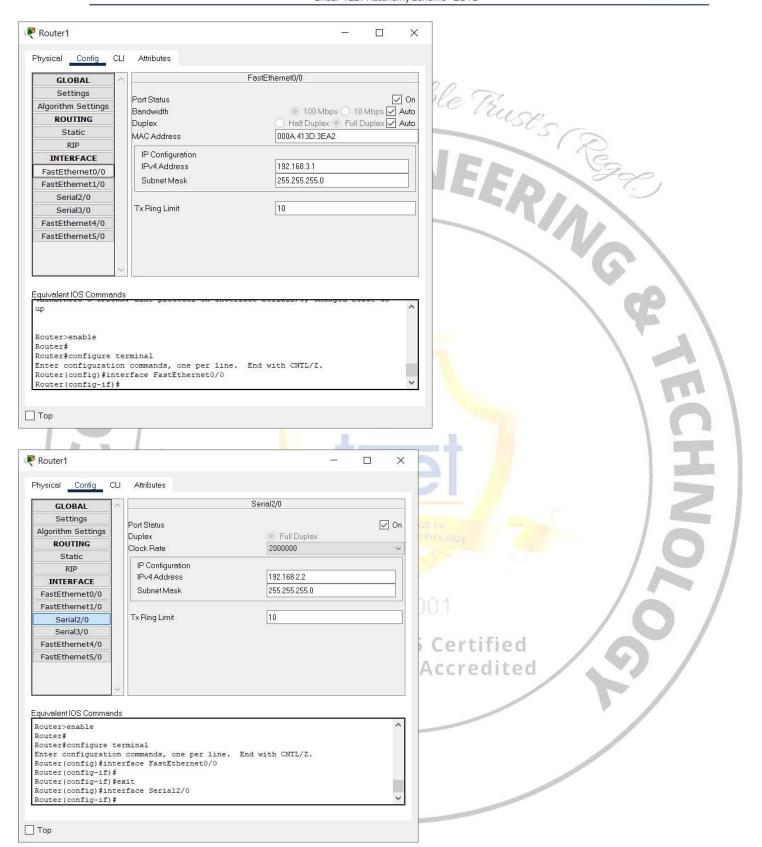
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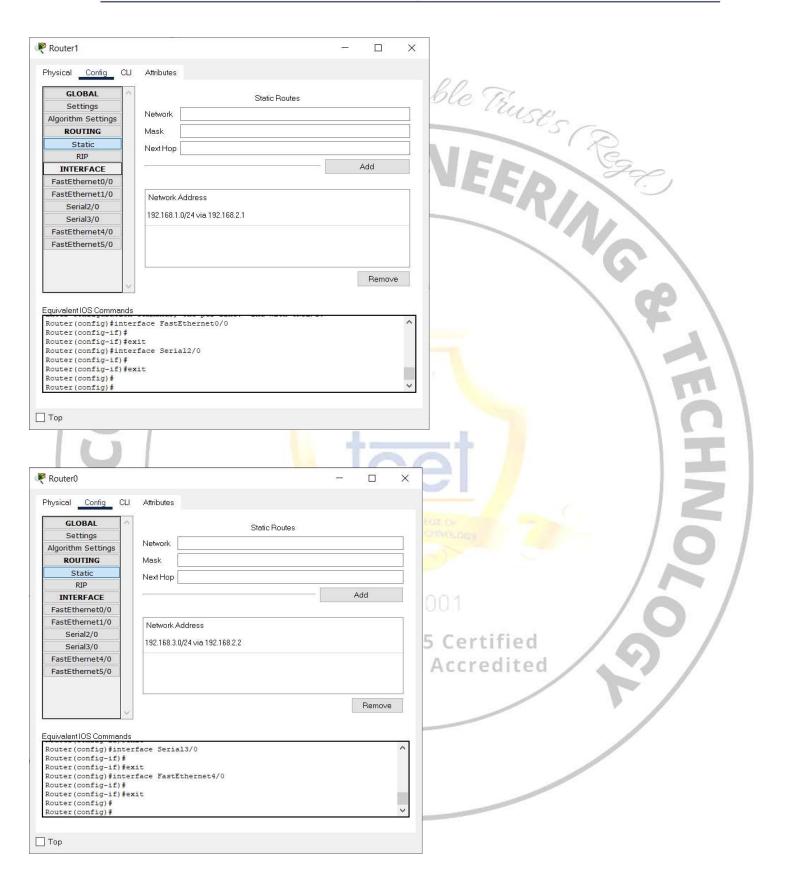


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**<u>Learning Outcomes:</u>** The student should have the ability to:

- LO5.1 Outline a network using CISCO packet tracer.
- LO5.2 Explain the configuration of IP addressing, subnetting and masking.
- LO5.3 Illustrate the configuration of IP addressing, subnetting, masking in CISCO packet tracer.

Course Outcomes: Upon completion of the course students will be able todevelop the network using IP addressing and subnetting / supernetting schemes.

**Conclusion:** Thus students have understood and successfully implemented IP address, subnet, subnet mask for a network.

#### **Viva Ouestions:**

- 1. What is subnet and subnet mask?
- What is the difference between physical and logical address?
- 3. Suppose 4 subnets are to be created how many host bits needs to be included as a part of network bits?
- Can we send packets from one subnet to another with a switch?

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