

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER NETWORKS

A network is a set of devices (often referred to as nodes) connected by communication links so that they can share resources, exchange data and communicate with each other.

Why networks are needed?

1. Resource Sharing : Sharing printers, files, storage and applications.
2. Communication: Emails, video and audio conferencing.
3. Data sharing : Transfer of files and information between systems.
4. Scalability : Easy to add new devices.
5. Cost efficiency : Reduces hardware/software cost through sharing.

Components of Computer Network:

1. Router : Connects ~~to~~ different networks and forwards data packets between them.

2. **Switch:** Connects multiple devices in a LAN and intelligently forwards data only to the intended device.
3. **Hub:** Simple device that connects multiple computers but sends data to all devices.
4. **NIC (Network Interface Card):** A hardware component inside a computer that enables it to connect to a network.
5. **Cables & Connectors:** Physical medium used for wired communication.
6. **Access Point (AP):** Provides wireless connectivity to devices within a network.
7. **Modem:** Converts digital signals into analog, and vice versa, to connect to internet over telephone/cable lines.

Types of Networks:

1. **LAN:**
 - Covers a small area such as home, office or campus.
 - High speed, low cost.

2. MAN:
 - Covers a larger area like a city or multiple buildings.
 - Used by ISPs, cable TV networks.
3. WAN:
 - Spans very large geographical areas (country or world).
 - Slower compared to LAN.
 - Connects multiple LANs and MANs.
4. PAN:
 - Very small area network
 - Connects devices like smartphones, laptops for personal use and communication.
5. CAN:
 - Connects multiple LANs within a campus.
 - Larger than LAN but smaller than MAN.

Network Topology:

1. Bus Topology:

All devices are connected to a single central cable called the backbone. Data travels through this backbone and each device checks if data is meant for it.

Advantages:

- It is simple.
- Requires less cabling

- Cost-effective for small networks.

Disadvantages:

- A failure in the backbone cable can bring down the entire network.
- Performance decreases as more devices are added due to data collisions.

2. Star Topology:

All devices are individually connected to a central hub or switch. The hub manages communication between devices by forwarding data to the intended destination.

Advantages:

- Easy to install and expand.
- Failure of one device does not affect the rest.
- Centralised management makes troubleshooting simple.

Disadvantages:

- More cabling than bus topology.
- If central hub or switch fails, the entire network goes down.

3. Ring Topology:

Each device is connected to exactly two other devices, forming a circular path. Data travels in one direction or both directions in dual ring.

Advantages:

- No data collisions
- Each device has equal access to the network.

Disadvantages:

- A single cable or device failure can disrupt the entire network.
- Troubleshooting can be complex.

4. Mesh Topology:

Every device is connected to every other device, providing multiple paths for data transfer.

Advantages:

- Very reliable
- Fault - tolerant
- High security

Disadvantages:

- Very expensive
- Installation and maintenance are complex.

5. Tree Topology:

It is a combination of bus and star topologies. Multiple star networks are connected to a central backbone, forming a hierarchical structure.

- Advantages:**
- Highly scalable
 - Supports expansion
 - Suitable for large networks

- Disadvantages:**
- Costly
 - If backbone, the entire network is affected.

6. Hybrid Topology:

It is formed by combining two or more different types of topologies depending on the network's requirement.

- Advantages:**
- Flexible
 - Reliable
 - Scalability
 - Suitable for large and complex

- Disadvantages:**
- Complex
 - Costly
 - Difficult to manage.

INTRODUCTION TO CISCO PACKET TRACER

Cisco Packet Tracer is a comprehensive networking simulation software tool for teaching and learning how to create network topologies and simulate modern computer networks.

Uses of Cisco Packet Tracer:

1. Learning & Education:

- Packet Tracer provides a platform for students to gain practical experience in networking by building and experimenting with virtual network.
- The tool allows users to visually observe how data travels through the network enhancing their understanding of network protocols and concepts.

2. Network Design & Testing:

- Users can simulate network issues and troubleshoot them in Packet Tracer, gaining valuable experience in identifying and resolving problems.
- Before making changes to a live network, users can test them in Packet Tracer to ensure they work as expected, minimizing the risk of disruption.

3. Other Uses:

- Packet Tracer supports multi-user collaboration, allowing users to work together on network projects and participate in competitions.
- It can be integrated with other tools and technologies such as Python scripting and IoT devices, for more advanced learning and experimenting.

Working of Cisco Packet Tracer:

1. Launch Packet Tracer on your computer.
2. Create a new network topology or by dragging and dropping network devices such as routers, switches and PCs onto the workspace.
3. Connect the devices by dragging cables between them.
4. Configure the devices by using the command line interface or GUI.
5. Test the network by sending packets between devices.
6. Troubleshoot any issues that arise by using the built-in tools and features.

AIM:

To establish peer to peer connection between similar devices using Cisco Packet Tracer.

THEORY:

It is a simulation software which can be used to create complicated network topologies, as well as to test and simulate abstract networking concepts.

PROCEDURE:

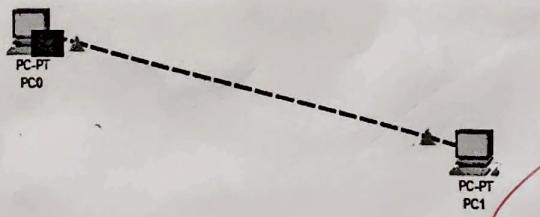
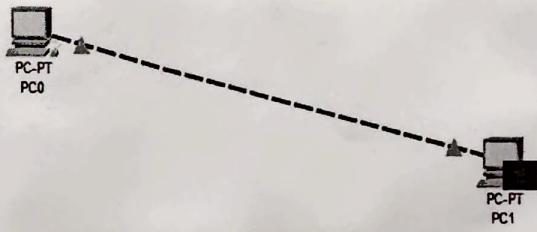
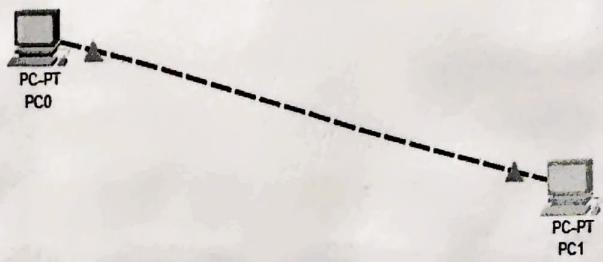
A. To connect, peer to peer connection is developed.

1. Select and drag two end devices from device panels at bottom left corner.

2. Select and drag copper crossover from wires panel and connect the two devices while choosing fast ethernet option.

3. After dragging the wire to the second device, again select fast ethernet option.

4. Required connection is established.



B. To test and configure:

1. Select a device, click it, go to desktop option, go to IP configuration and add the IP address for the device.
2. Repeat for the other device.
3. Open command prompt of first device.
4. Run 'ipconfig' to get basic information about connection.
5. ~~Reopen~~, Run 'ping <ipaddress>', enter the ip address of the other device, to check whether they can communicate or not.
6. Repeat 3 to 5 for both devices.

COMMANDS USED:

1. ipconfig: Displays all current TCP/IP network configuration values and refreshes DHCP and DNS settings.
2. ipconfig /all: Displays all configuration information for each adapter bound to TCP/IP.
3. ping <ipaddress>: Used to troubleshoot connectivity,

reachability and name resolution. It returns four packets of 32 bytes each.

SIMULATION:

1. Open traffic generator.
2. Set the source and destination IP addresses.
3. Set the sequence number and periodic interval.
4. Click on send and minimize window.
5. Switch to ~~simulation~~ and play.



AIM:

To establish peer to peer connection between dissimilar devices using Cisco Packet Tracer.

THEORY:

Cisco Packet Tracer is a simulation software used to create complicated network topologies as well as to test and simulate abstract networking concepts.

PROCEDURE:

A. To connect, peer to peer connection is developed:

1. Select and drag two dissimilar devices from device panel.
2. Select and drag copper straight through wire from wires panel and connect the two devices, choosing the fast ethernet option.
3. Required connection is established.

B. To test and configure:

1. ~~Select~~ Assign IP address to both devices

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2. Open command prompt.

3. Run ping command.

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1. ping <ipaddress>: Used to troubleshoot connectivity, reachability and name resolution. It returns four packets of 32 bytes each.

SIMULATION:

1. Open traffic generator.

2. Set the source and destination IP addresses.

3. Set the sequence number and periodic interval.

4. Click on send.

5. Switch to simulation and play.

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AIM:

Introduction to straight through cables, crossover cables and RJ45 connector.

Straight Through Cables:

A straight through cable is a type of ethernet cable used to connect different types of devices within a network. When connecting between two dissimilar devices, for eg., from the computer to the router, a straight-through cable will be needed. There are no left or right constrictions on the straight through cable, as both ends have the same wiring signals, so the wires correspond to the same pins at the other end, too. There is no need for any manual configuration.

Features:

1. Direct Connection: Links devices of different categories for instance a computer with a switch or a router.
2. Standard Ethernet Cable: It is particularly used in ethernet networks for data transmission purposes.
3. Color Code Consistency: The endings of the electrodes have identical sequences in terms of the color codes in wires.
4. Common Usage: Sometimes used in home and office networks for sharing devices among nodes and link points.

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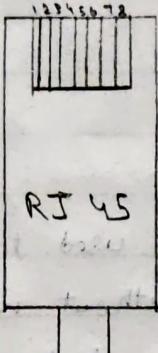
Crossover Cable:

A crossover cable is a type of ethernet cable used to connect similar devices directly to each other without needing an intermediate network device like a switch or hub.

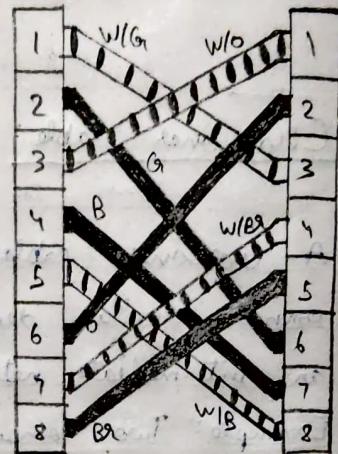
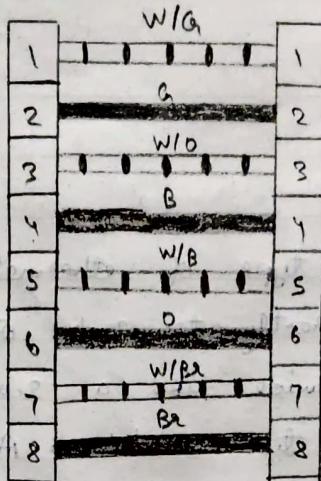
Example: Two computers or two switches. A difference between straight-through cable and crossover cable is that the order of the wires differ at each end of the cable. This will allow communication of devices indicating if they are transmitting or receiving by cross-connecting the 'Tx' and 'Rx' so that the data can be obtained by both similar devices.

Features:

1. Device -to - Device Connection: Mostly used in direct connectivity between computers of similar types like two computers.
2. Pin Configuration: Pins are connected on two ends with different arrangements, for eg: T568A on one end and T568B on the other.
3. Transmit/Receive Swapping: Exchange the two ports T/R signal between the two ends.
4. Specific Purpose: Typically employed in scenarios where devices must be able to interfere without requiring a hub.
5. Color Code Variation: In a crossover, some wires at each end have color coded sequences from each other.



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Connectors are straight-through or crossover

The first order of cable goes to right cable

Second order of crossover cables go to second cable

Third order of crossover cables go to third cable

Fourth order of crossover cables go to fourth cable

Pin	TS68B	TS68A	<u>Switched</u>
1	White/Orange	White/Green	
2	Orange	Green	
3	White/Green	White/Orange	
4	Blue	Blue	
5	White/Blue	White/Blue	
6	Green	Orange	
7	White/Brown	White/Brown	
8	Brown	Brown	

RJ45 Connector:

RJ45 stands for Registered Jack 45 and is the most commonly used connector in wired networks. The jacks are mainly used to connect to the LAN. The width of RJ45 is usually greater than that of the telephone cables. The bandwidth is high and the range is usually 10 Gbps.

Structure:

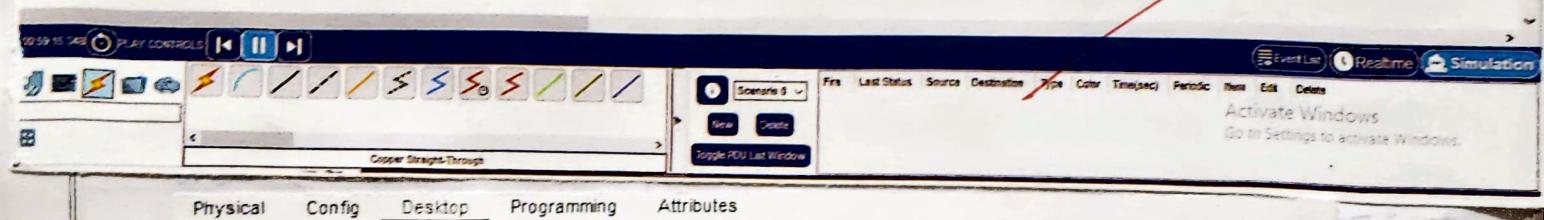
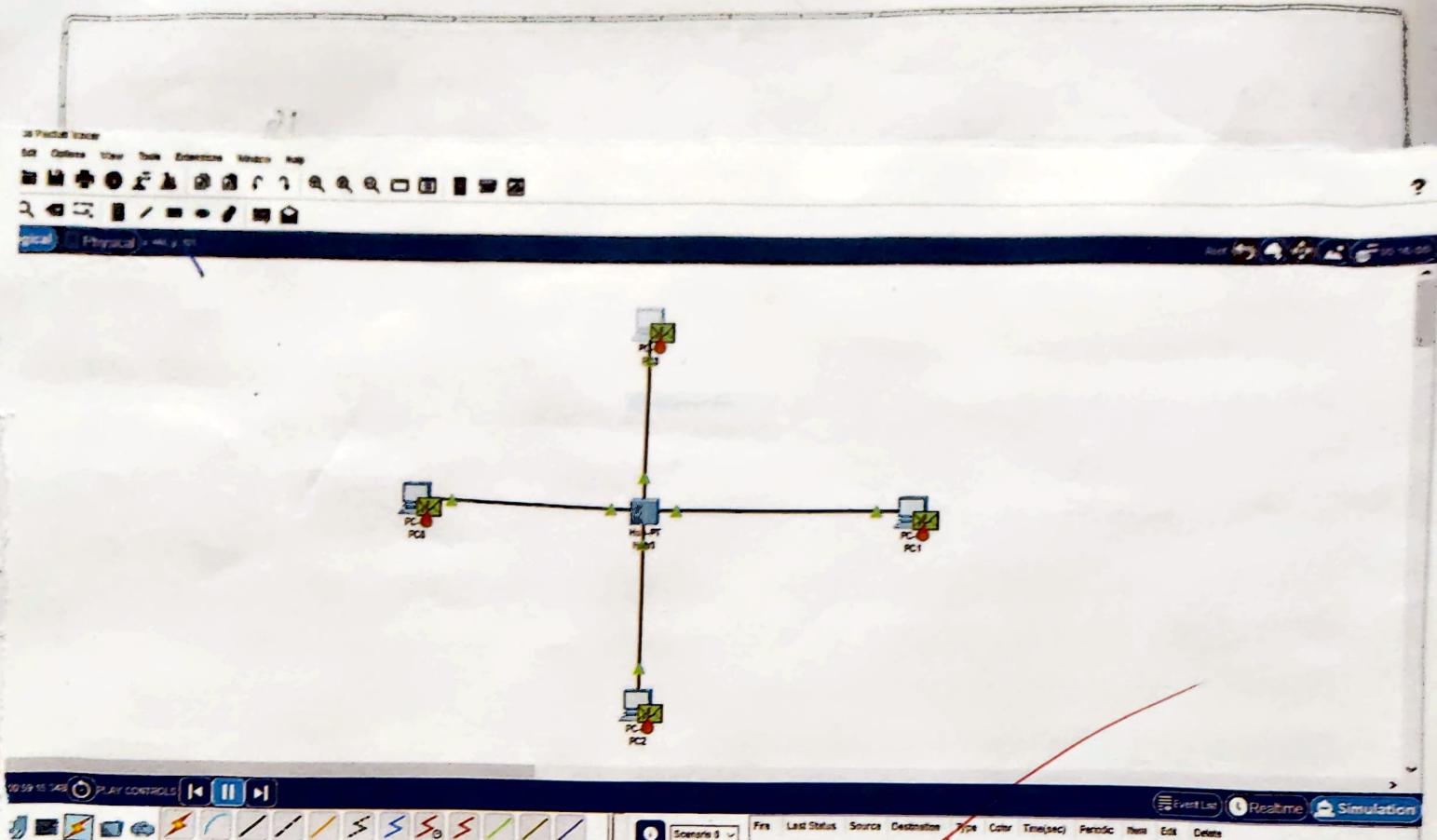
RJ45 has a transparent plastic structure and is an 8 pin connector. The jacks are mostly used with shielded twisted pair or unshielded twisted pair cables. Out of the 8 wires, 4 wires are solid and 4 are stripe colored. The two color code schemes are RJ45 T568A and RJ45 T568B.

Advantages:

- Provides great speed.
- Cheaper as compared to other connectors.
- Supports much greater bandwidth.
- Reliable.

Disadvantages:

- Complexity compatibility issues with other connectors.
- Neither waterproof nor durable.



Command Prompt

```
Cisco Packet Tracer PC Command Line 1.0
C:\>ping 192.168.1.2

Pinging 192.168.1.2 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 192.168.1.2: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128

Ping statistics for 192.168.1.2:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

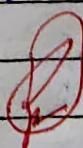
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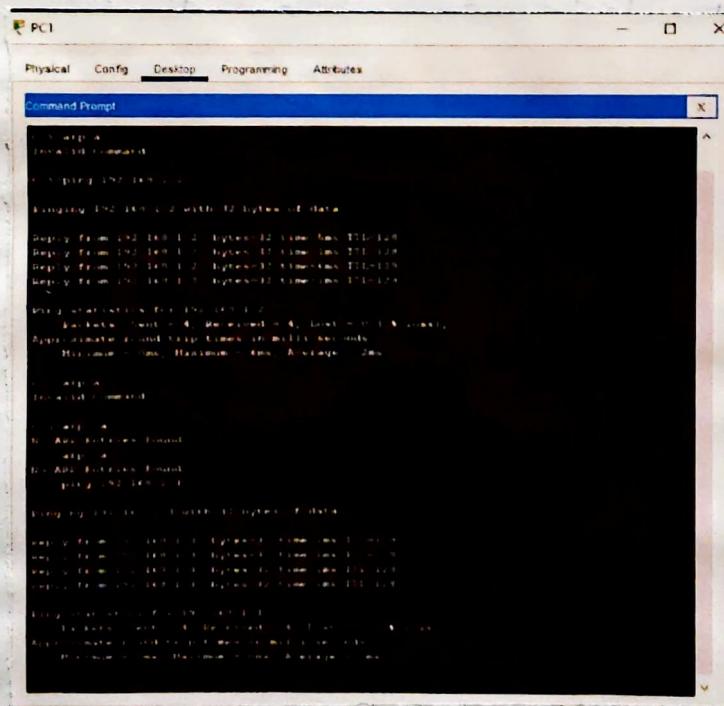
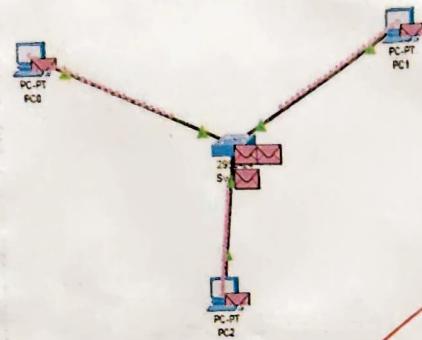
AIM:

To connect dissimilar devices connected (machine & hub) using ethernet cable.

PROCEDURE:

1. Open Cisco Packet Tracer.
2. From the toolbars at the bottom, select multiple end devices like PC, laptop, etc. and connect all devices with a generic hub using copper straight through cable with best ethernet port.
3. Assign IP addresses to all ~~PCs~~ ^{end devices} by clicking on the end devices. A dialog box appear on the screen. Select desktop then IP config. In IP address, assign IP to the devices.
4. Now, all the devices can communicate with each other.
5. Test the connection by clicking on one end device, then desktop and then command prompt.
6. Execute the following commands:
 - ipconfig
 - ipconfig all
 - ping <ip-of-other-end-device>
7. Repeat step 5 and 6 for every other combination.



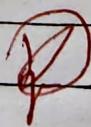


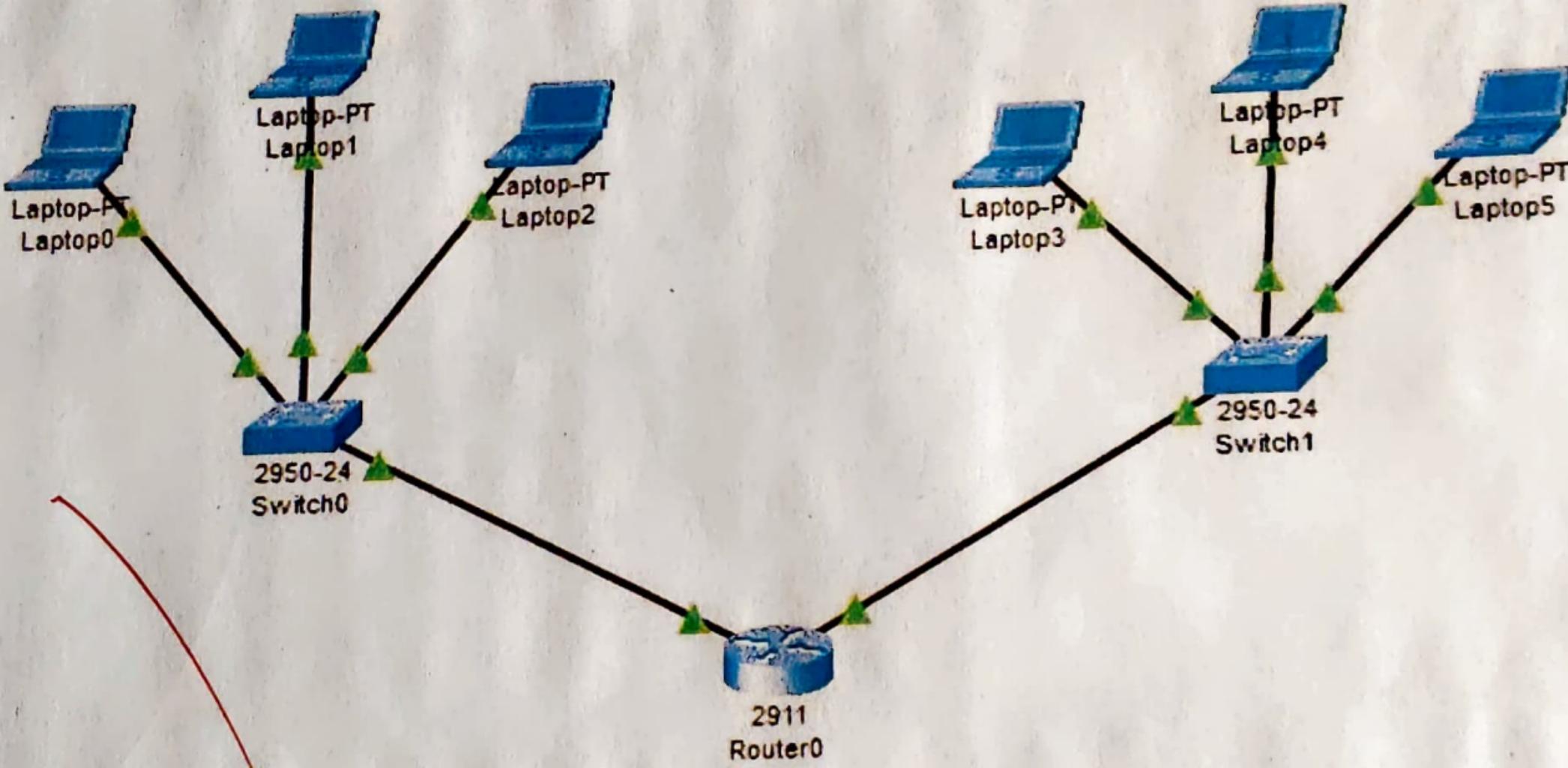
AIM:

ARP configuration of various devices using APP protocol connect system and server through copper block straight through cable with a switch.

PROCEDURE:

1. Start Cisco Packet Tracer.
2. Select 3 end devices and a switch with 2950 - 24 config as well as a server.
3. Arrange them as shown.
4. Connect all the devices with the help of copper straight through cable.
5. Now set the IP address for each end device.
6. Open terminal for any of the devices and run 'arp -a'.
7. Now run ping command and ping 2 end devices.
8. Switch to simulation from realtime through the option on bottom, right of screen.
9. Now use capture / forward button to simulate how devices ping each other.
10. After simulation is completed. ARP table has one entry.





AIM:

To establish connecting between two LANs using routers on Cisco Packet Tracer.

PROCEDURE:

1. Firstly, we will create two different LAN network, having one switch and 2-3 PC each.
2. Select generic tab and select PC, then drag them ~~on~~ the screen
3. Select switch tab and drag it to screen.
4. Make another similar network.
5. Now connect each PC in each LAN to its corresponding switch using copper straight through wires.
6. Now set separate IP addresses for either LANs. PCs belonging to class A and class C respectively.
7. Now ping 2 PCs for LAN 1 and check its connectivity.
8. Repeat the same for LAN 2.
9. Go to router tab. Select 2911 router and drag it to the screen.
10. Now connect LAN1 to gigabit 0/0 of router and connect it with switch of LAN 1.
11. Repeat the same for ~~LAN 2~~ to gigabit 0/1 of router.
12. Now, select and click the router, there will be a switch, if not on, click on it to turn it on.
13. To configuration selection, left select gigabit 0/0.



14. Name options will appear, select the ON checkbox and in IP address, enter the class address corresponding to the class.
15. This IP address acts as gateway for all devices of LAN 1 to enter this in gateway for all devices of option in IP configuration of each device on LAN 1.
16. Repeat steps 13-15 for gigabit ON 011 and LAN 1.
17. If the network is ready with no red marks, go to step 20, else to step 19.
18. Click the fast forward time tab near switch router tab.
19. Now ping a device on LAN 2 using its IP address from a devices of LAN 1.
20. Now select simulation mode and redo the ping operation.
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AIM:

To implement Bus, Star, Mesh and Ring Topology.

THEORY:

Network Topologies describe the methods in which all the elements of a network are mapped.

1. Ring Topology:

In this network, every device has exactly two neighboring devices for communication and resource sharing. It uses tokens to pass information from one node to another.

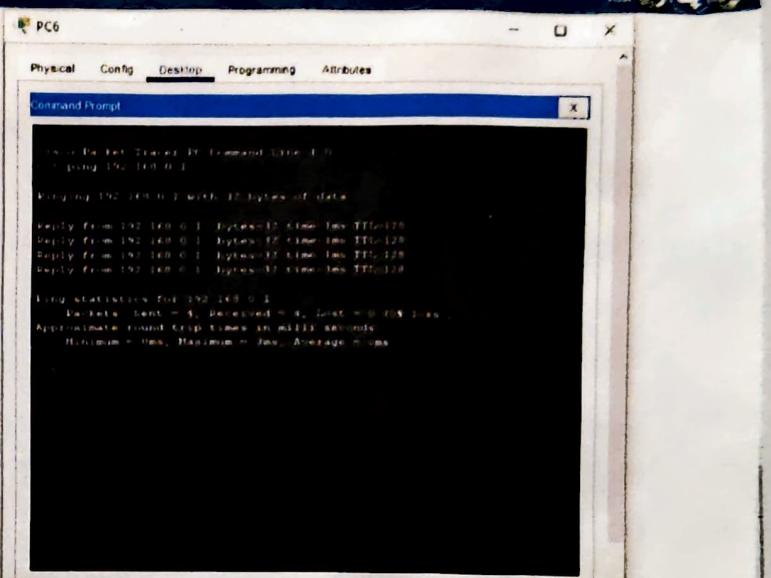
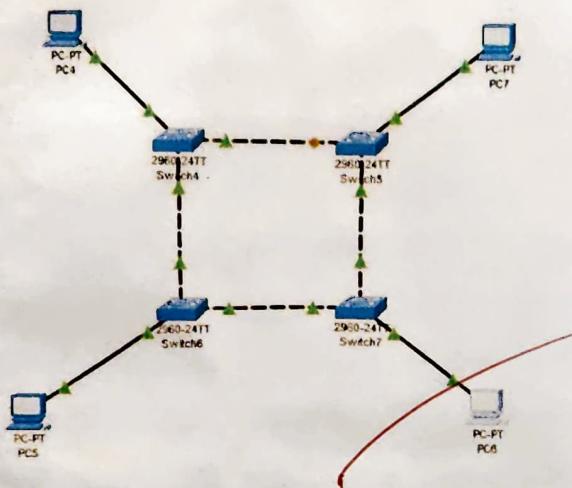
- Steps :
1. First take 4 generic PCs and 4 generic switches
 2. Connect PC to a switch.
 3. Connect all PCs using their switches in a ring fashion.
 4. Use automatically chosen connection type to make adjacent connections.
 5. Assign IP addresses to all 4 PCs:

PC₀ - 192.168.0.1

PC₁ - 192.168.0.2

PC₂ - 192.168.0.3

PC₃ - 192.168.0.4



6. Ping device 0, i.e., PC₀ with PC₂.
7. Ring topology is established.

2. Bus Topology:

In this network, a single cable is used to connect all the included nodes. The main cable acts as a spine for the entire network. If cable fails, the whole network goes down.

- Steps:
1. Connect 4 PCs with switches
 2. Connect the switches simply in a linear way using automatic connection type.
 3. Assign IP addresses to all PCs:

PC₄ - 192.168.0.4

PC₅ - 192.168.0.5

PC₆ - 192.168.0.6

PC₇ - 192.168.0.7

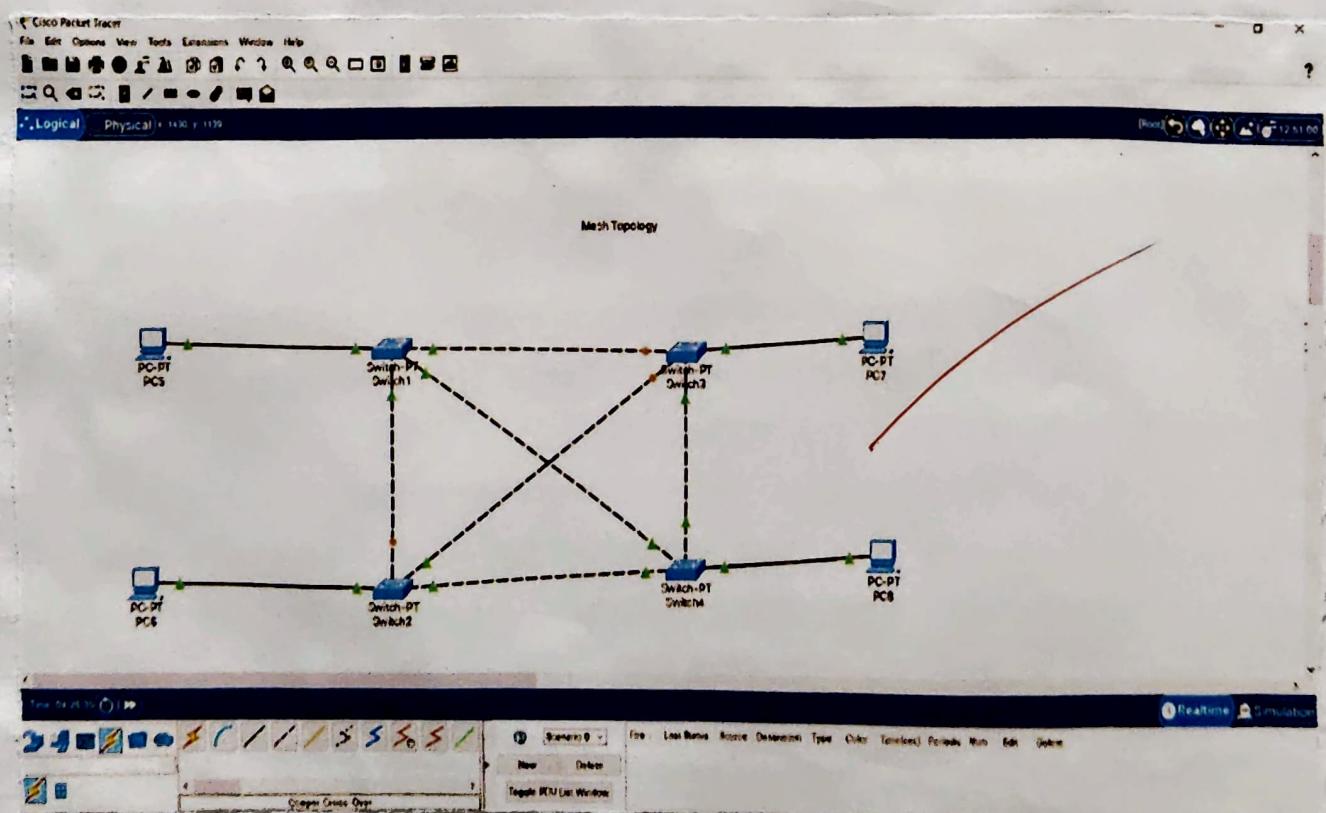
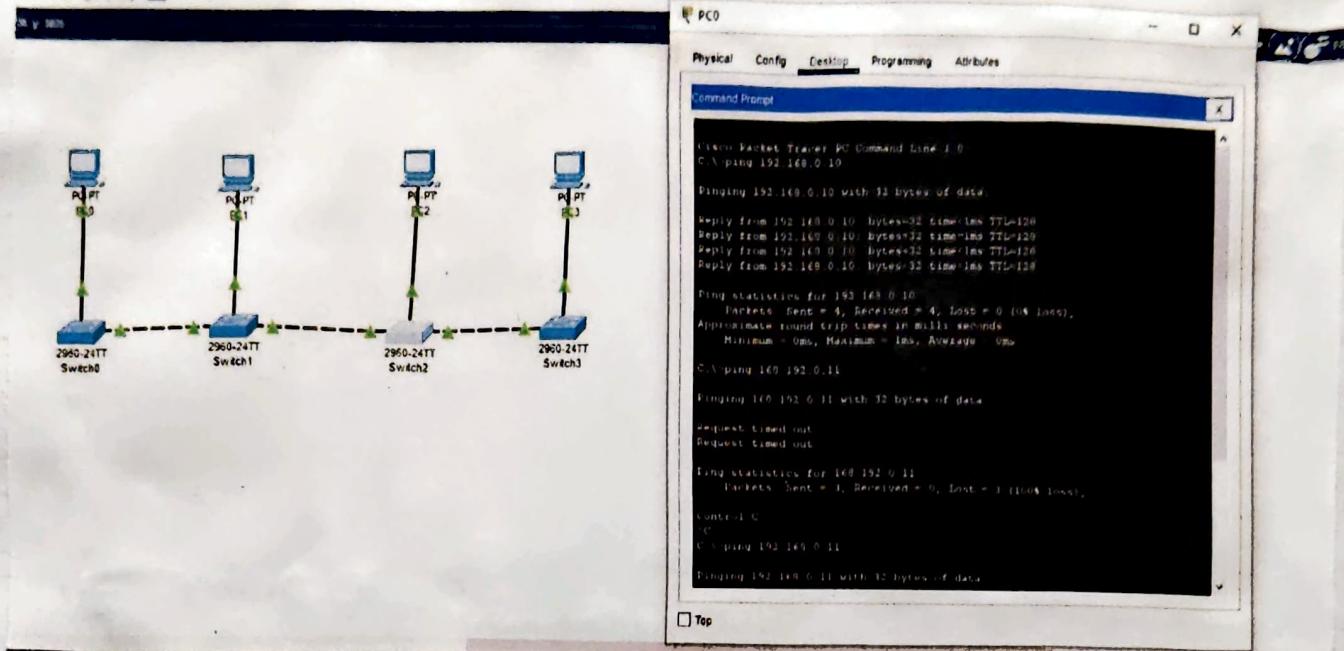
4. Ping PC₄ with PC₅.

5. Bus topology is established.

3. Mesh Topology:

In this network, each computer on the network is connected to every other computer on the network and a peer to peer connection is established between all devices.

- Steps:
1. Take the formation of ring topology and make a copy.



2. Connect each PC with every remaining PC on network.

3. Assign IP address:

PC₈ - 192.168.0.8

PC₉ - 192.168.0.9

PC₁₀ - 192.168.0.9

PC₁₁ - 192.168.0.9

4. Ping PC₉ with PC₁₁.

5. Mesh Topology is established.

4. Star Topology:

In this network, all the computers connect to a single hub/switch. The hub is called the central node. If hub fails, then the whole network fails.

~~Step:~~ 1. Take 4 PCs and connect them with a single switch.

2. Make the connections using automatic connection type.

3. Assign IP addresses:

PC₁₀ - 192.168.0.10

PC₁₁ - 192.168.0.11

PC₁₂ - 192.168.0.12

PC₁₃ - 192.168.0.13

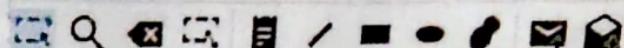
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5. Star topology is established.

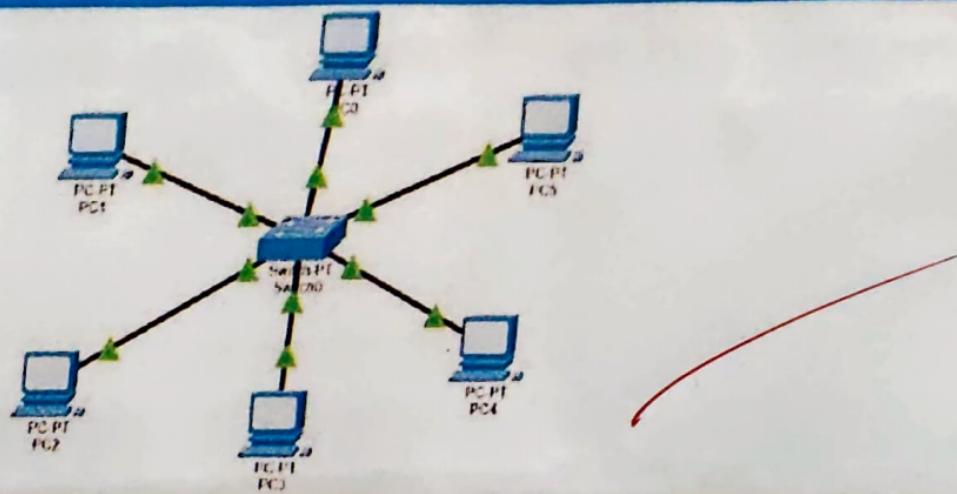


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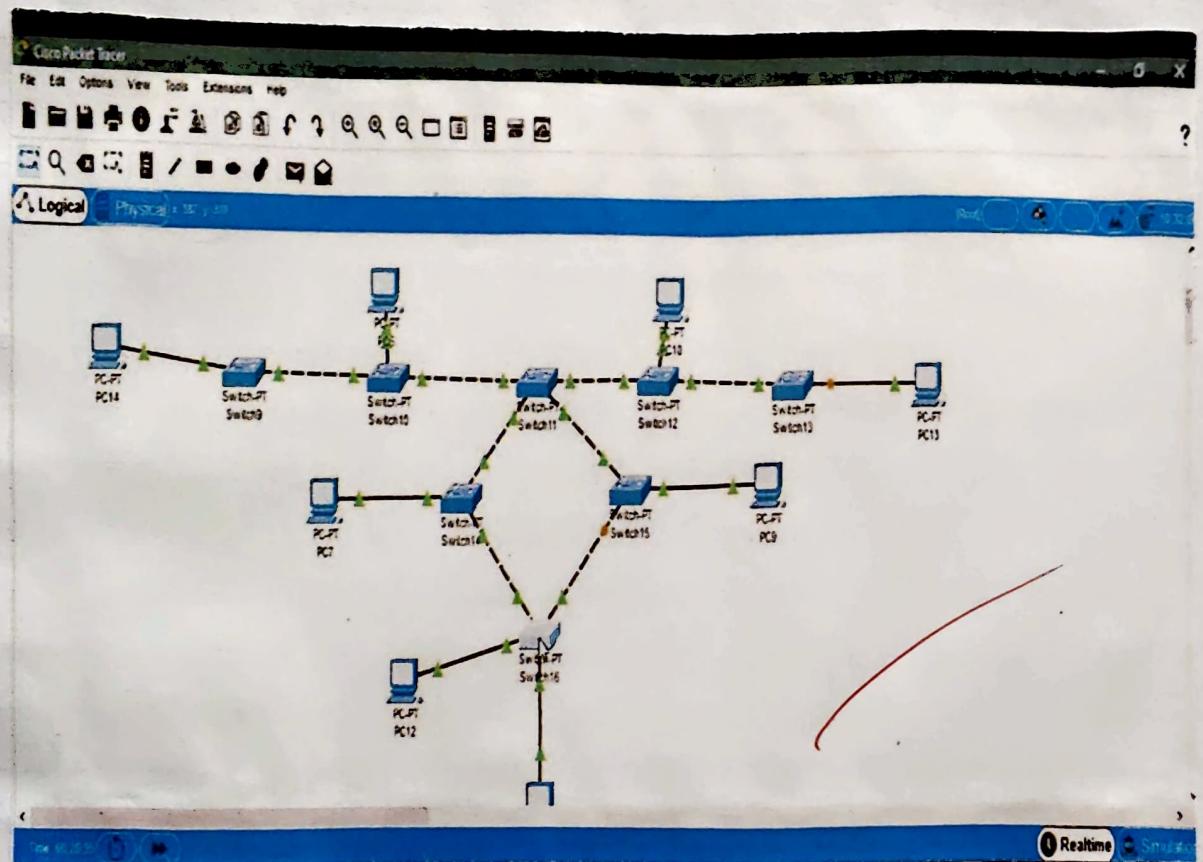
To implement Hybrid Topology in Cisco Packet Tracer.

THEORY:

A hybrid Topology is a combination of two or more network topologies, such as mesh + bus + ring Topology. Its usage depends on the requirements like performance, number of computers, location of computers, etc. It has a super powerful setup. Thus, it has the most realtime applications at home, offices and even multi-floor buildings.

STEPS:

1. First we need to make all different topologies separately.
2. Implement Ring topology using 4 PCs.
3. Assign IP addresses from 192.168.0.1 to 192.168.0.4.
4. Now make star topology adjacent to it.
5. Assign IP addresses from 192.168.0.5 to 192.168.0.8.
6. Make bus topology below ring topology.
7. Assign IP addresses from 192.168.0.9 to 192.168.0.12.
8. Make hybrid topology in the right.
9. Assign IP addresses from ~~192.168.0.13~~ to 192.168.0.16.
10. Connect all 4 topologies using automatic connection cable by connecting switches of all 4 topologies.

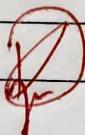


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11. Ping PC₁ with PC₁₄.
12. Try sending data packet from PC₂ to PC₁₅.
13. Hybrid topology is established successfully.



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AIM:

Write a program to implement Stop and Wait protocol.

THEORY:

It is the data link layer protocol used for reliable data transmission where the sender sends one frame at a time and waits for acknowledgement before sending the next.

If the acknowledgement is lost or not received in time, the same frame is resent.

This ensures reliable but slower data transmission.

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class StopAndWait {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        int frames;

        System.out.print("Enter number of frames to send: ");
        frames = sc.nextInt();

        int i = 1;
        while (i <= frames) {
            System.out.println("Sending frame " + i + "...");

            // Simulate frame transmission and acknowledgment
            System.out.print("Enter 1 if Acknowledgement received for frame " + i + ", else enter 0: ");
            int ack = sc.nextInt();

            if (ack == 1) {
                System.out.println("Acknowledgement received for frame " + i + "\n");
                i++;
            } else {
                System.out.println("Acknowledgement not received. Resending frame " + i + "\n");
            }
        }

        System.out.println("All frames sent successfully!");
        sc.close();
    }
}
```

Output

```
Enter number of frames to send: 2
Sending frame 1...
Enter 1 if Acknowledgement received for frame 1, else enter 0: 1
Acknowledgement received for frame 1

Sending frame 2...
Enter 1 if Acknowledgement received for frame 2, else enter 0: 0
Acknowledgement not received. Resending frame 2

Sending frame 2...
Enter 1 if Acknowledgement received for frame 2, else enter 0: 1
Acknowledgement received for frame 2

All frames sent successfully!

== Code Execution Successful ==
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AIM:

Write a program to implement sliding window protocol.

THEORY:

Sliding Window Protocol: In this protocol, the sender can transmit multiple frames before needing an acknowledgement.

Both sender and receiver maintain a window of acceptable frames.

As ACKs are received, the window slides forward to allow new frames.

This improves efficiency by keeping the channel busy and reducing idle time.



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```

import java.util.Scanner;

public class SlidingWindow {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter total number of frames: ");
        int totalFrames = sc.nextInt();

        System.out.print("Enter window size: ");
        int windowHeight = sc.nextInt();

        int sent = 0;
        while (sent < totalFrames) {
            System.out.println("\nSending frames: ");

            // Send frames equal to window size or remaining frames
            for (int i = 0; i < windowHeight && sent + i < totalFrames; i++) {
                System.out.println("Frame " + (sent + i) + " sent");
            }

            System.out.print("Enter last acknowledged frame number (-1 if none): ");
            int ack = sc.nextInt();

            if (ack >= sent && ack < totalFrames) {
                sent = ack + 1;
            } else {
                System.out.println("Invalid ACK or timeout! Resending window...");
            }
        }

        System.out.println("\nAll frames sent successfully!");
        sc.close();
    }
}

```

Output

```

Enter total number of frames: 7
Enter window size: 3

Sending frames:
Frame 0 sent
Frame 1 sent
Frame 2 sent
Enter last acknowledged frame number (-1 if none): 2

Sending frames:
Frame 3 sent
Frame 4 sent
Frame 5 sent
Enter last acknowledged frame number (-1 if none): 4

Sending frames:
Frame 5 sent
Frame 6 sent
Enter last acknowledged frame number (-1 if none): 6

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AIM:

Write a program to implement static routing in Cisco Packet Tracer.

THEORY:

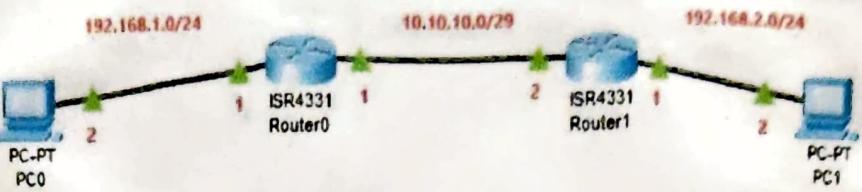
Static routing is a method of routing data packets in a network by manually configuring routes in a router's routing table. In contrast to dynamic routing, where routing decisions are made by routing protocols like PFXB, RIPv1, OSPF or EIGRP, static routing requires the network administrator to manually define the path that packets take.

It offers more control over routing process as it does not rely on protocols that may change routes dynamically.

- ~~Advantages:~~
1. Simple and easy to configure.
 2. ~~less Bandwidth usage.~~
 3. Security.

- ~~Disadvantages:~~
1. Scalability is difficult
 2. No automatic failover
 3. Maintenance overhead.





PC0

Physical Config Desktop Programming Attributes

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Interface: FastEthernet0

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DHCP Static

IP Address	192.168.1.2
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	192.168.1.1
DNS Server	0.0.0.0

AIM:

Write a program to implement DNS and email services in Cisco Packet Tracer.

THEORY:DNS (Domain Name System):

- DNS translates domain names into IP addresses that computers use to locate each other on a network.
- It acts like a phonebook of the internet, making it easier for users to access websites without remembering numerical IP addresses.
- A DNS server stores records mapping hostnames to IP addresses.

Email Services:

- Email ~~services~~ communication relies on Mail Servers:
 - SMTP
 - IMAP
- Email server simulates both sending and receiving functions using these protocols.

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