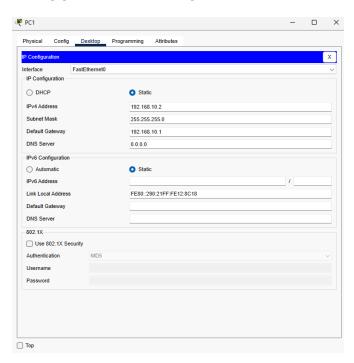
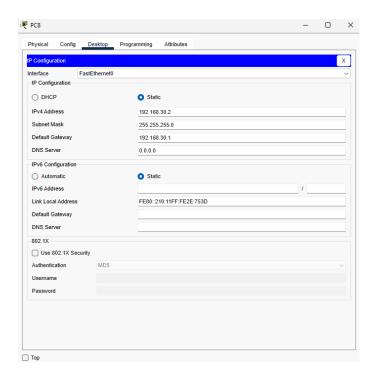
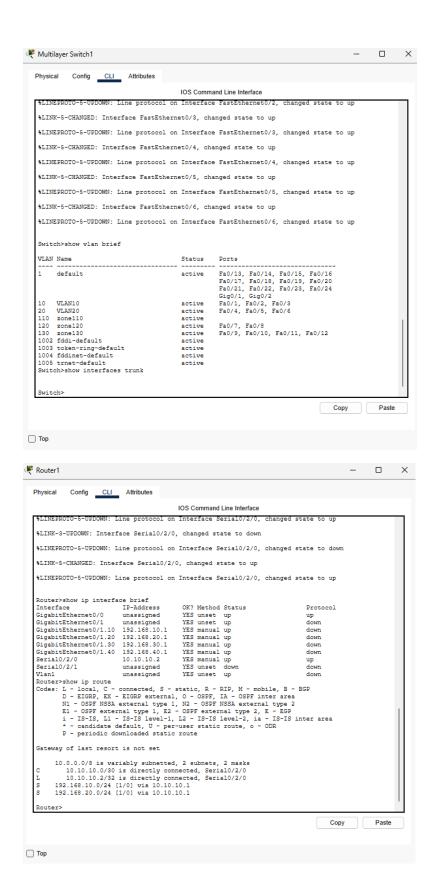
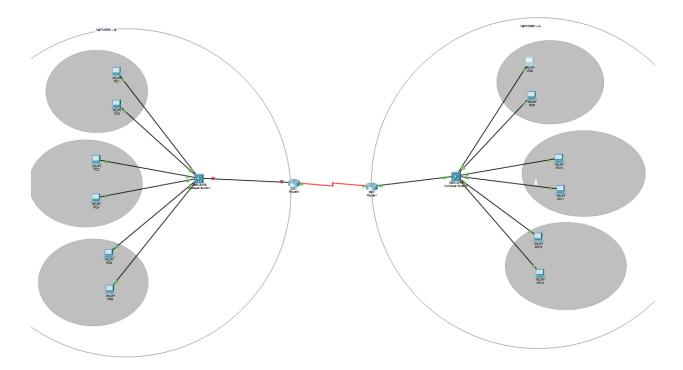
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LAB 6 questions:

1. What does TCP/IP stand for?

TCP/IP stands for **Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol**. It is a suite of communication protocols used to interconnect network devices on the internet and private networks.

- TCP: Ensures reliable, ordered, and error-checked delivery of data.
- **IP**: Handles addressing and routing of data packets.

2. What does UDP stand for?

UDP stands for **User Datagram Protocol**. It is a lightweight, connectionless transport-layer protocol that prioritizes speed over reliability.

• **Key difference from TCP**: No error recovery, sequencing, or flow control.

3. How does TCP differ from UDP?

TCP is reliable and connection-oriented, ensuring error-free data delivery for applications like web browsing. UDP is connectionless and faster, prioritizing speed over reliability for real-time services like video calls. TCP verifies data arrival; UDP does not.

a. How are these protocols similar?

Similarities

a. Similarities:

- Both are Transport Layer (Layer 4) protocols
- Both use port numbers for application identification
- Both support process-to-process communication
- Both can operate over IP

b. List some characteristics of both.

TCP:

- Connection-oriented (3-way handshake)
- Reliable with acknowledgments
- Error checking and correction
- Flow and congestion control
- Guaranteed delivery (retransmits lost packets)
- Slower due to overhead
- Used for: Web (HTTP), email (SMTP), file transfer (FTP)

UDP:

- Connectionless (no handshake)
- Unreliable (no delivery guarantees)
- Minimal error checking
- No flow/congestion control

- No retransmission of lost packets
- Faster with lower overhead
- Used for: Video streaming, VoIP, DNS queries
- 4. Explain the use of 0.0.0.0 in setting the static routes in this assignment. (use complete sentences)

In this assignment, 0.0.0.0 is used as a default route in static routing configurations. This special address represents all possible network destinations not explicitly listed in the routing table. When configured with a subnet mask of 0.0.0.0 (written as 0.0.0.0/0), it creates a catch-all route that directs any traffic for unknown networks to a specified gateway. In our lab, we used this to configure routers to send all non-local traffic through the serial interface connecting the two networks (e.g., "ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 10.10.10.2"). This ensures that packets destined for networks not directly connected to the router will be forwarded appropriately rather than being dropped.

5. What does the statement "Gateway of last resort is not set" mean?

This statement indicates that the router does not have a default route (0.0.0.0/0) configured in its routing table.

a. Why would this matter when sending packets outside a network?

This matters significantly when sending packets outside the local network because without a default gateway, the router has no instructions for where to send traffic destined for networks not explicitly listed in its routing table. In our lab scenario, this would prevent communication between Network A and Network B through the serial connection, as the router would simply drop any packets for the remote network rather than forwarding them to the appropriate interface. The gateway of last resort serves as the "exit door" for all traffic going to external networks, so its absence breaks internetwork communication while still allowing local network traffic to function normally.