



CSE 320 - Computer Networks

LAB Session 1

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Packet Tracer:

<https://www.packettracernetwork.com/download/download-packet-tracer.html>

<https://skillsforall.com/resources/lab-downloads?courseLang=en-US>

Packet Tracer Everywhere: <https://github.com/PTAnywhere/ptAnywhere-installation>

1. Launch and Getting to Know

a. *Launch a new workspace:*

File/New

b. *Different Workspaces:*

The **Logical Workspace** allows you to build a logical network topology without regard to its physical scale and arrangement. The **Physical Workspace** also allows you to create a topology and, at the same time, arrange devices physically in cities, buildings, and wiring closets.

c. *Tool Box at the bottom section:*

There are Networking Devices(Routers, Switches, Hubs, Wireless Devices etc), End Devices (Pc/Laptop/Server/etc, Smart Home appliances, Smart City related devices such as CO detectors, batteries, etc, Industrial automation devices, Power Grid devices), Useful Components for Automation (Actuators, sensors,boards), Connections(Types of Cables, Cabling structures), Misc.

d. *Additional Tip:* From Options/Preferences make sure the following section is checked. This will allow you to see where the cable is connected.

Customize User Experience	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Animation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Link Lights
<input type="checkbox"/> Play Sound	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Play Telephony Sound
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Device Model Labels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show QoS Stamps on Packets
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Device Name Labels	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Port Labels When Mouse Over in Logical Workspace
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Always Show Port Labels in Logical Workspace	<input type="checkbox"/> Enable Cable Length Effects
<input type="checkbox"/> Disable Auto Cable	<input type="checkbox"/> Use CLI as Device Default Tab
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use Metric System (Unchecked to use Imperial)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Cable Info Popup in Physical Workspace
<input type="checkbox"/> Align logical workspace objects	<input type="checkbox"/> Align physical workspace objects

Logging	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable Logging	<button>Export Log</button>

Select Language	
Translator	Cisco
default.ptl	

2. Setting Up Devices:

Add Devices: Click on the "Devices" icon in the bottom left corner. Select and drag a switch (e.g., 2960) and two PCs to the logical workspace.

3. Connecting Devices:

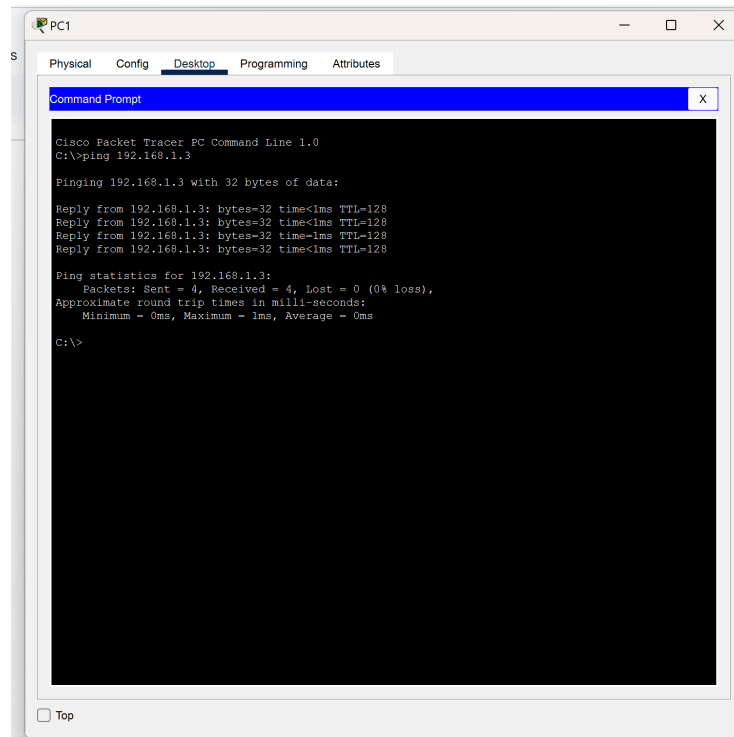
- Choose a Cable:** Click on the "Connections" icon (looks like a lightning bolt) in the bottom left corner.
- Connect Devices:** For PCs to switch connections, use a straight-through cable (usually copper). Click on the cable, then click on a PC, select FastEthernet0, then click on the switch, and choose an available port (e.g., FastEthernet0/1).
- Repeat** the process for the other PC, connecting it to a different port on the switch.

4. Configuring the Devices:

- Configuring PC IP Addresses:**
 - Configure PC IP Settings:** Click on a PC, go to the "Desktop" tab, and then click on "IP Configuration". Enter an IP address (e.g., 192.168.1.2), subnet mask (usually 255.255.255.0), and default gateway (optional for this setup).
 - Repeat for the other PC with a different IP address (e.g., 192.168.1.3).
- Basic Switch Configuration**
 - Access Switch CLI:** Click on the switch, go to the "CLI" tab, press "Enter" to access the command-line interface.
 - Enter Global Configuration Mode:** Type "enable" and press Enter. Then type "configure terminal" and press Enter.
 - Assign Hostname (Optional):** Type "hostname Switch1" to name your switch (or any name you prefer).

5. Testing the Network:

- Open Command Prompt on PC:** Go back to one of the PCs, open the "Command Prompt" from the Desktop tab.
- Ping the Other PC:** Type "ping 192.168.1.3" (or the IP of the other PC) and press Enter. You should see replies if everything is set up correctly.



6. Save the Project:

Go to "File" > "Save As" to save your Packet Tracer file for future reference or further experimentation.

Take Home:

Assume you will have a game working on your local area network. You only have four players on a game server without an internet connection. You will not need a DHCP server or its configurations. The router is not necessary. Please explain your implementation and ping results in a single page of PDF with the smallest font size of 10 with Times New Roman and/or Consolas fonts. (Any extra page will cost you -20 points). You do not need to upload anything else. Few explanations are enough.

Deadline: 05/03/2024 23:59