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Final Project

Comparative Analysis of Distance-Vector & Link-State Routing Protocols Based on RIP and OSPF

PRESENTATION

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1. Introduction

Dynamic routing protocols are essential in modern networking, allowing routers to exchange information dynamically, enabling networks to adapt seamlessly to changes.

■ Protocol Categories

Distance-Vector and Link-State protocols are distinguished by their wide adoption and unique operational mechanisms.

■ Focus on RIP and OSPF

This presentation will concentrate on two protocols: the Routing Information Protocol (RIP) and Open Shortest Path First (OSPF).

■ Monitoring and Distribution

Monitoring network changes and distributing this information across routers, making the choice of a suitable routing protocol a key decision in network design and management.

2. Routing Protocol

- Operate at **3rd** of OSI model(Network Layer)
- Purpose: **sorting & distribution** of IP packets
- Attribute and Characteristics:
 - Best Possible Routers
 - Faster Convergence
 - Security Options
 - Avoiding Loops

■ **Dynamic Route:** selected using routing protocol

■ **IGP(Interior Gateway Routing Protocols)**

- Use for route selection within the autonomous system
- Each of routing protocol has their own metric & administrative distances

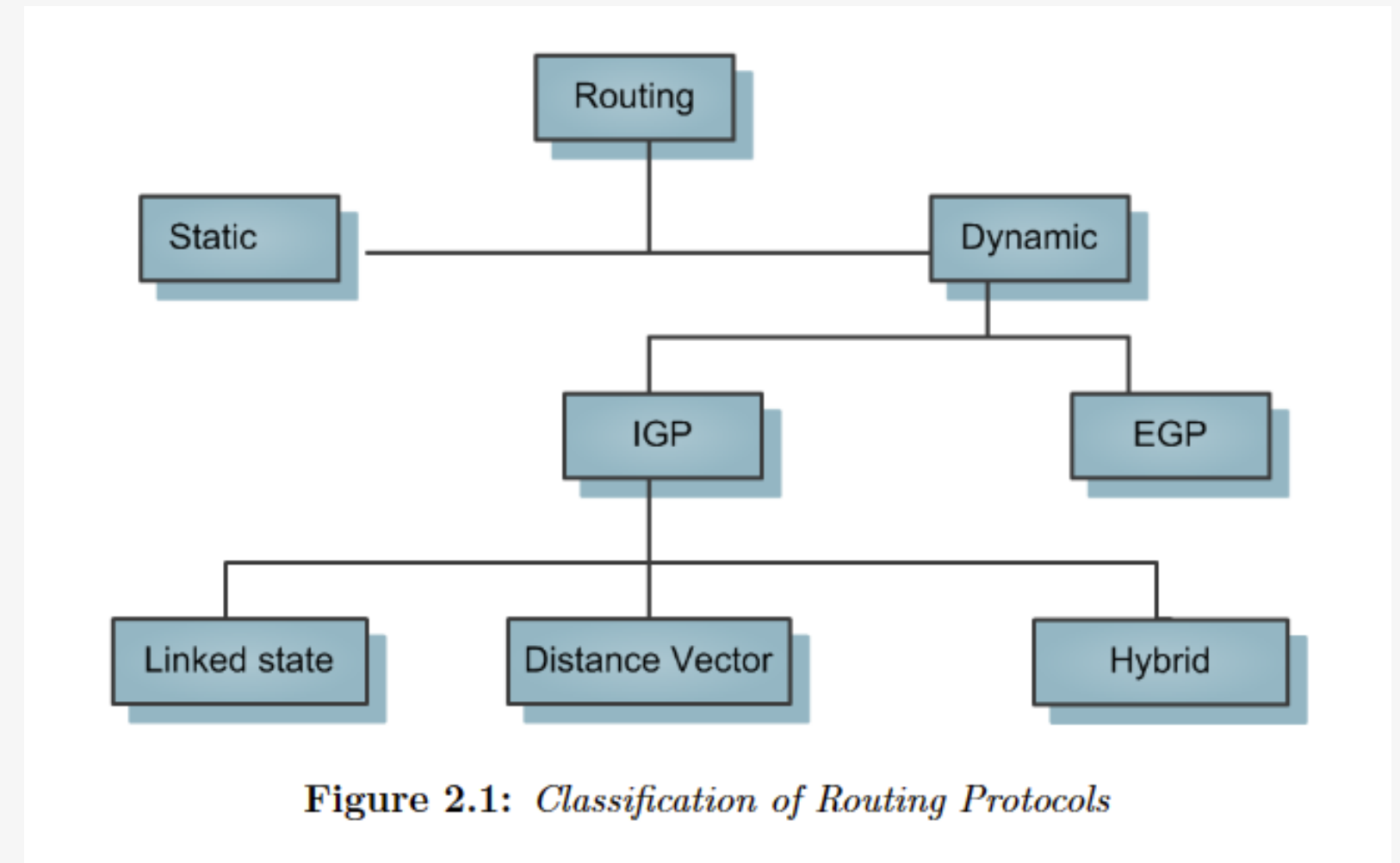


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"Routing in IP-based Networks." Thesis. pp.10.[51].

2.1 Distance-Vector Routing

- The DV Routers

- Not know about the complete network topology
- Only have info passed by the neighbour devices

- The characteristics of DVR protocol

- Bellman-Ford Algorithm
- Metrics: Distance and Vector (mainly based on Hop-Counts vector)
- Defines Routing Table (neighbor routers direct connection)
- Periodic Updates
- Simple and Efficient

- Pros and Cons of DVR

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| ✓ Simple Algorithm | x Loops May Occur |
| ✓ Easy To Implement | x Regularly Updated |
| ✓ Occupies Less Memory & Processor | x Single Parameter |

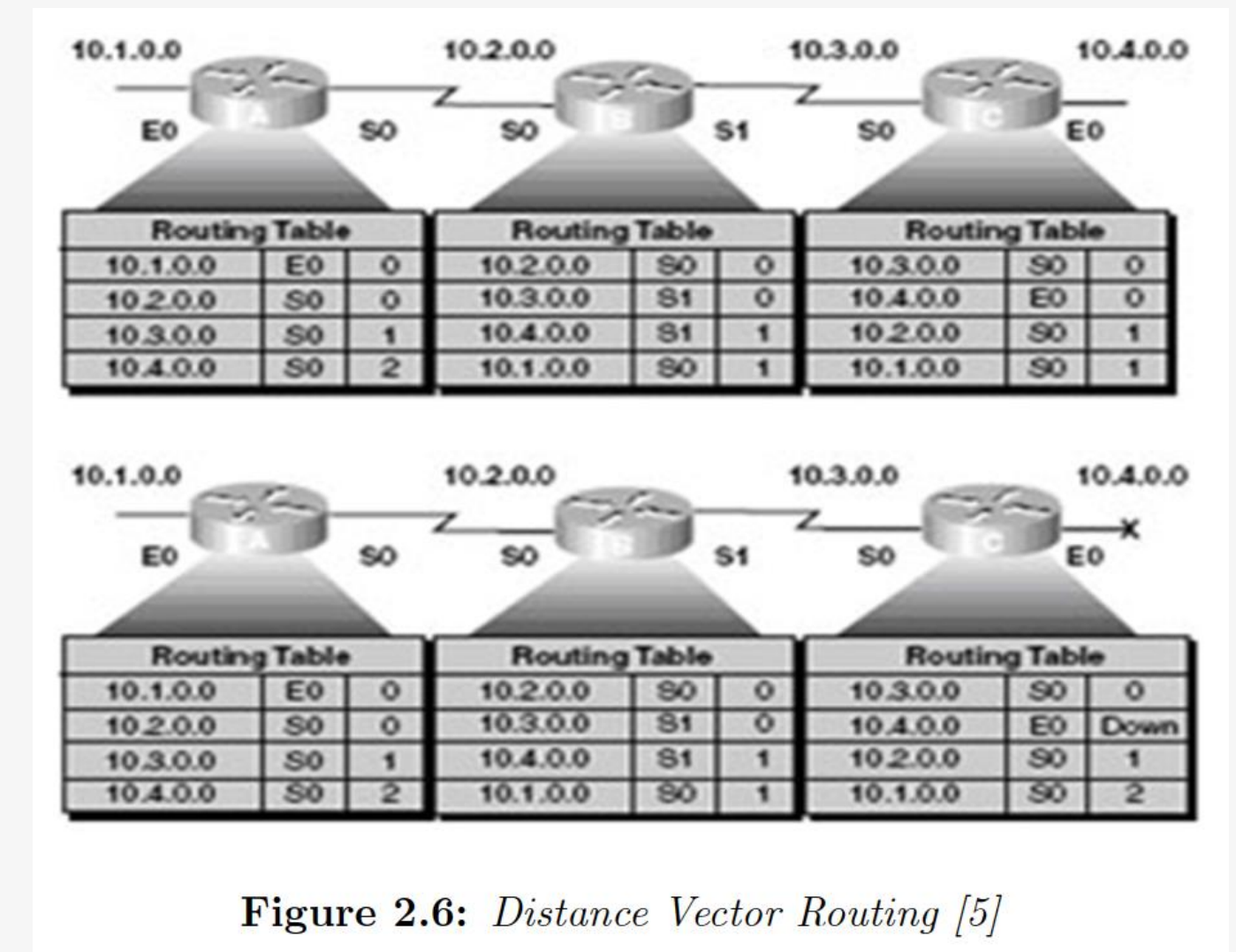


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2.1.1 Routing Information Protocol

RIP:

- Suitable for small IP networks.
- Use **hop-count** as metric (up to 15 hops)
- Convergence time required
- Low memory and processor requirements
- Routing loops may occur during network failures

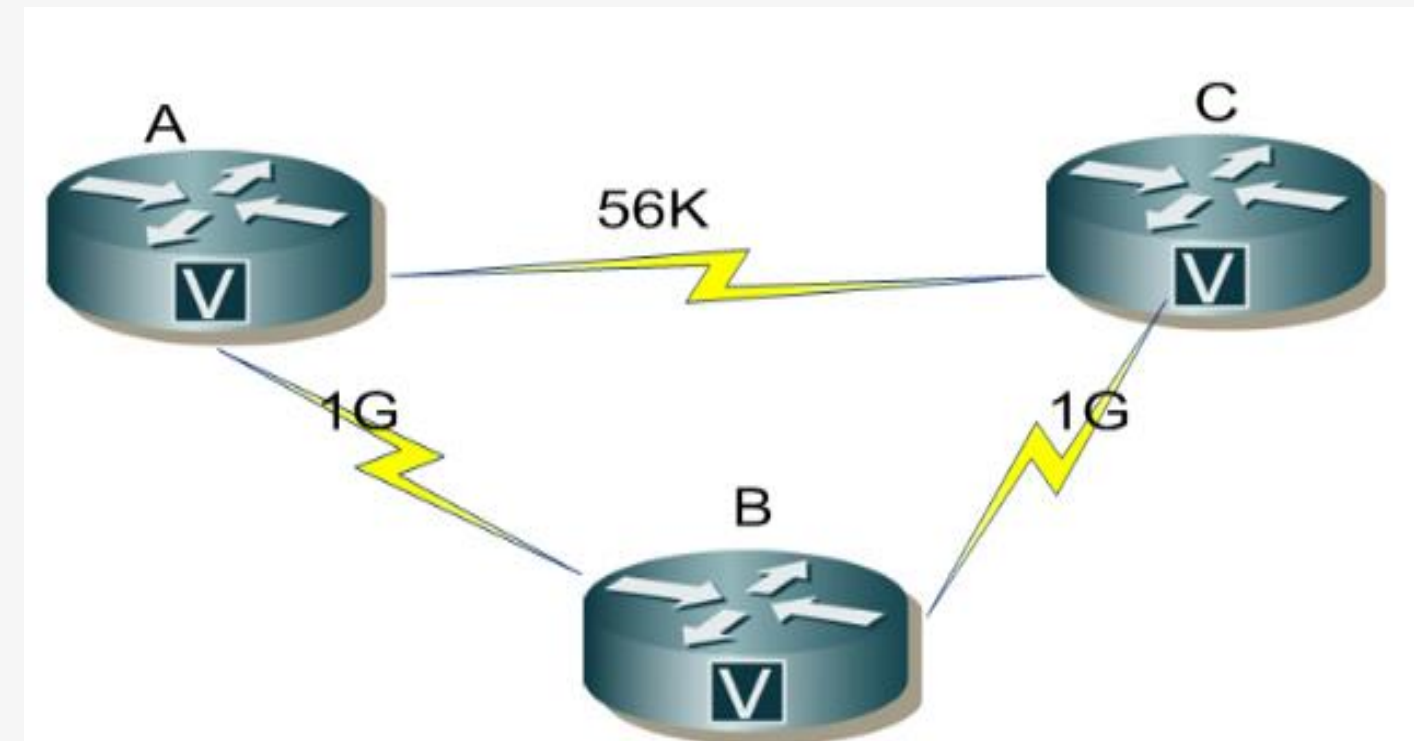


Figure 1.1: *Distance vector protocol*

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2.2 Link-State Routing

- **The characteristics of LSR protocol**

- SPF (Shortest Path First Algorithm) [Dijkstra's Algorithm]
- Precise Metrics(Bandwidth, Delay and other QoS parameter)
- Identical Database
- Provides Hierarchical Structure
- Triggered Update
- Efficient and Fast Convergence Without Any Loop

- **Pros and Cons of LSR**

- ✓ Respond Quickly
- ✓ Small Packet Size
- x Complex Algorithm
- x High Memory Consumption & Processor Requirements
- x Difficult to Configure
- x Poor Performance on Constantly Changing Links

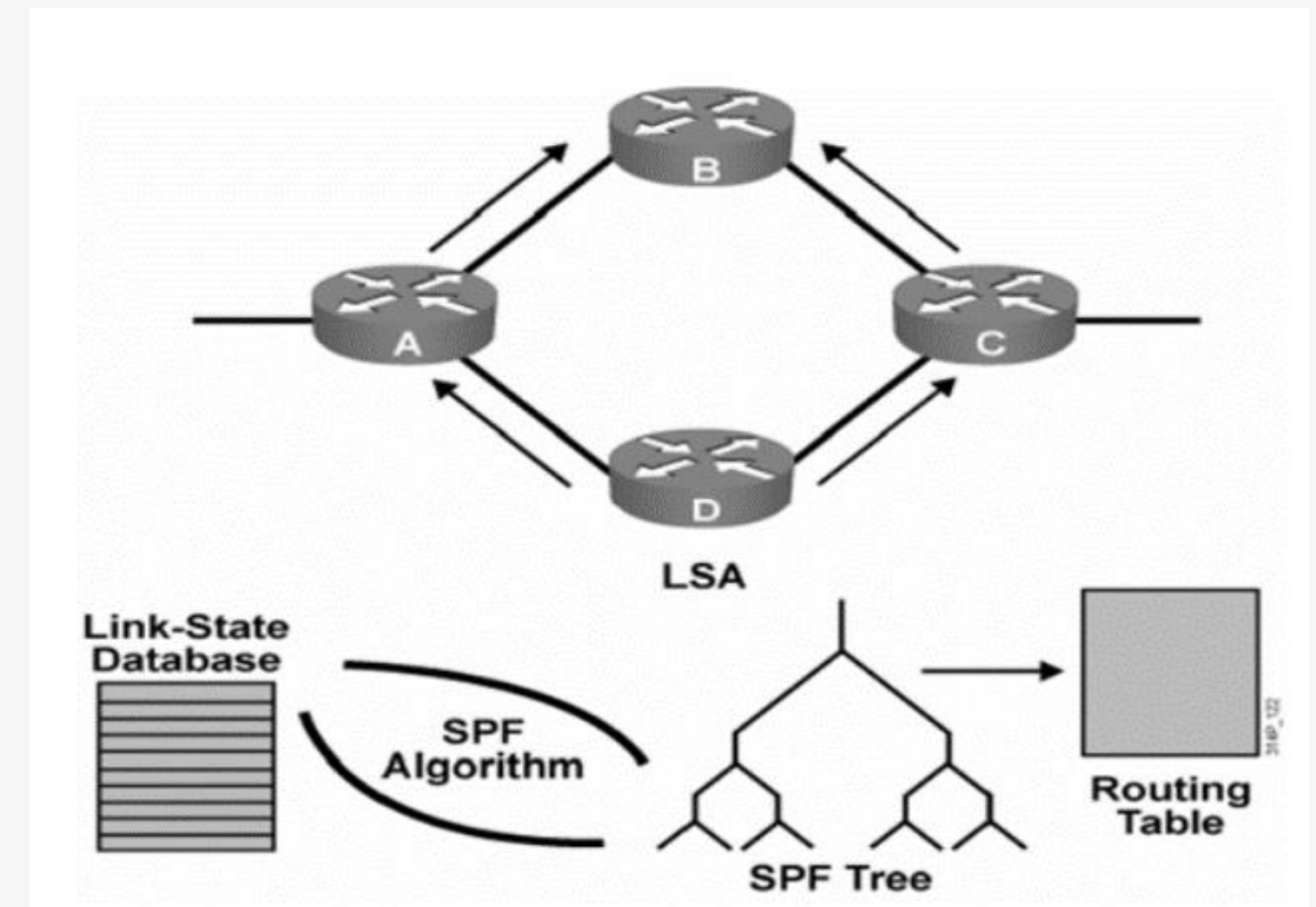


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2.2.1 Open Shortest Path First

OSPF:

- Suitable for large networks or environments that require rapid convergence
- Specifically designed for IP networks, so IP routing is calculated directly
- Calculating costs mainly relies on **bandwidth**

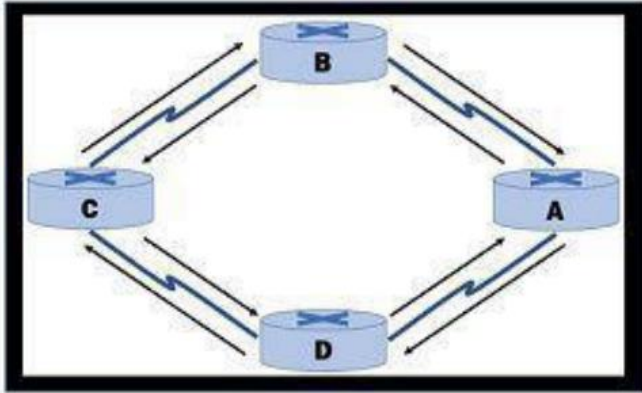
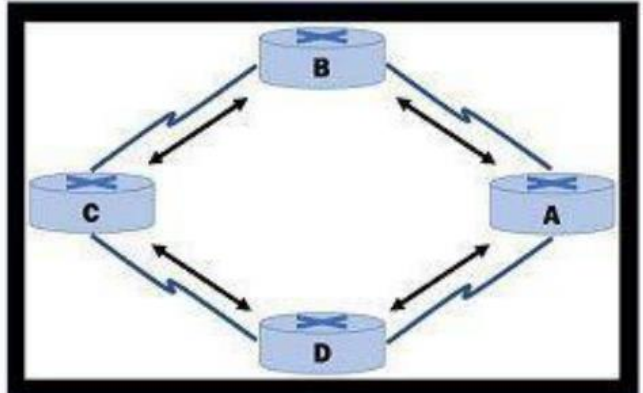
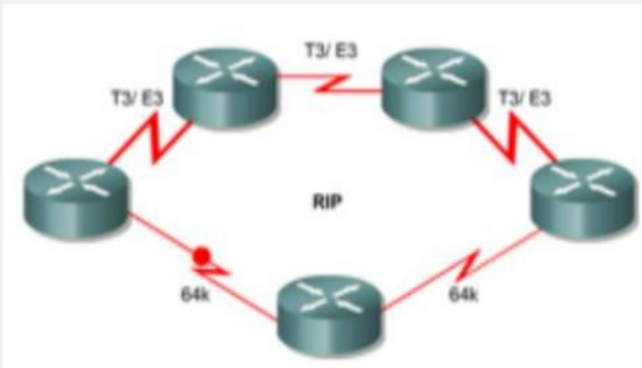
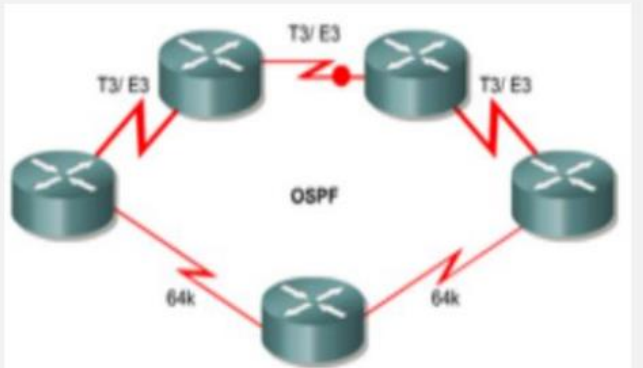
$$\text{LinkCost} = \text{OC} + \text{BW} \left(\frac{\text{Throughput_weight}}{100} \right) + \text{Resources} \left(\frac{\text{Resources_weight}}{100} \right) + \text{Latency} \left(\frac{\text{Latency_weight}}{100} \right) + \text{L2_factor} \left(\frac{\text{L2_weight}}{100} \right)$$
$$\text{OC} = \left[\frac{(\text{ospf_reference_bw})}{(\text{MDR})(1000)} \right] \quad \text{ospf_reference_bw} = 10^8$$
$$\text{BW} = \frac{(65535) \left(100 - \frac{\text{CDR}(100)}{\text{MDR}} \right)}{100}$$
$$\text{Resources} = \frac{(100 - \text{resources})^3 (65535)}{1000000}$$
$$\text{Latency} = \text{latency}$$
$$\text{L2_factor} = \frac{(100 - \text{RLQ})(65535)}{100}$$

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Figure 3.17: OSPF Algorithm [8]

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2.3Comparative Analysis

	Distance-Vector	Link-State
➡ Metric	Utilizes hop count	Uses the shortest path algorithm
➡ Perspective	View the network from neighbour's view	Maintains a comprehensive network view
➡ Updates	Sends updates periodically	Has event triggered updates.
Convergence	Slow convergence	Faster convergence
Loops	Susceptible to routing loops	Better at preventing routing loops
➡ Configuration	Easier to configure and manage	More complex in configuration
Resources	Requires less memory and CPU	Needs more memory and CPU
➡ Bandwidth	Consumes a lot of Bandwidth	More efficient in bandwidth usage
Sharing	Exchanges full routing tables with neighbours	Exchanges link-state updates among routers
Distance vector vs. Link state	 <p>Distance Vector Routing</p>	 <p>Link State Routing</p>
RIP vs. OSPF		

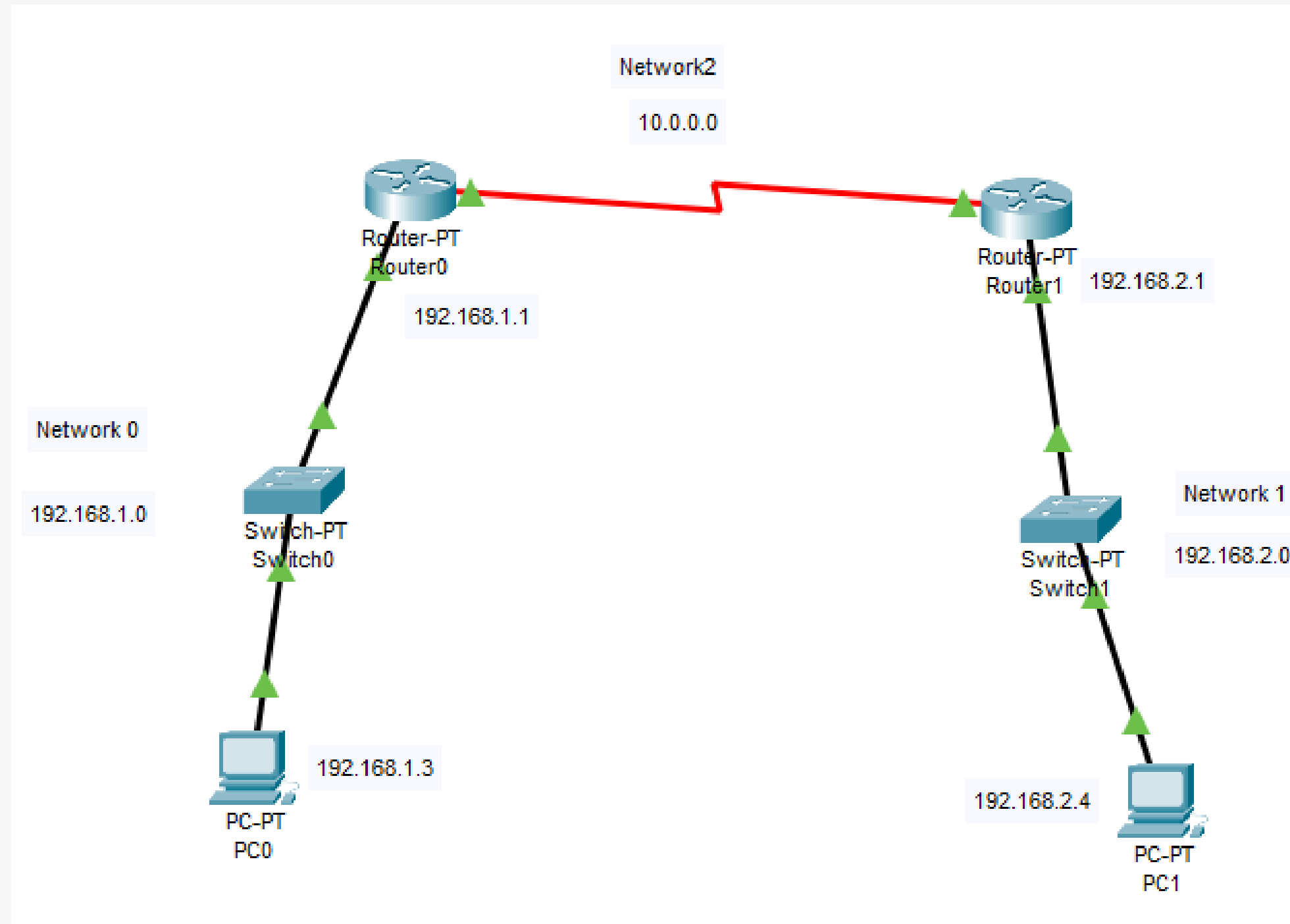
3.Implementation

Use Cisco to build the following simulation scenario:

- 3.1 Small-Scale Network (Suitable for RIP)
- 3.2 Large Enterprise Network (Suitable for OSPF)
- 3.3 Hybrid Network (Coexistence of RIP and OSPF)

3.1 Small-Scale Network (RIP)

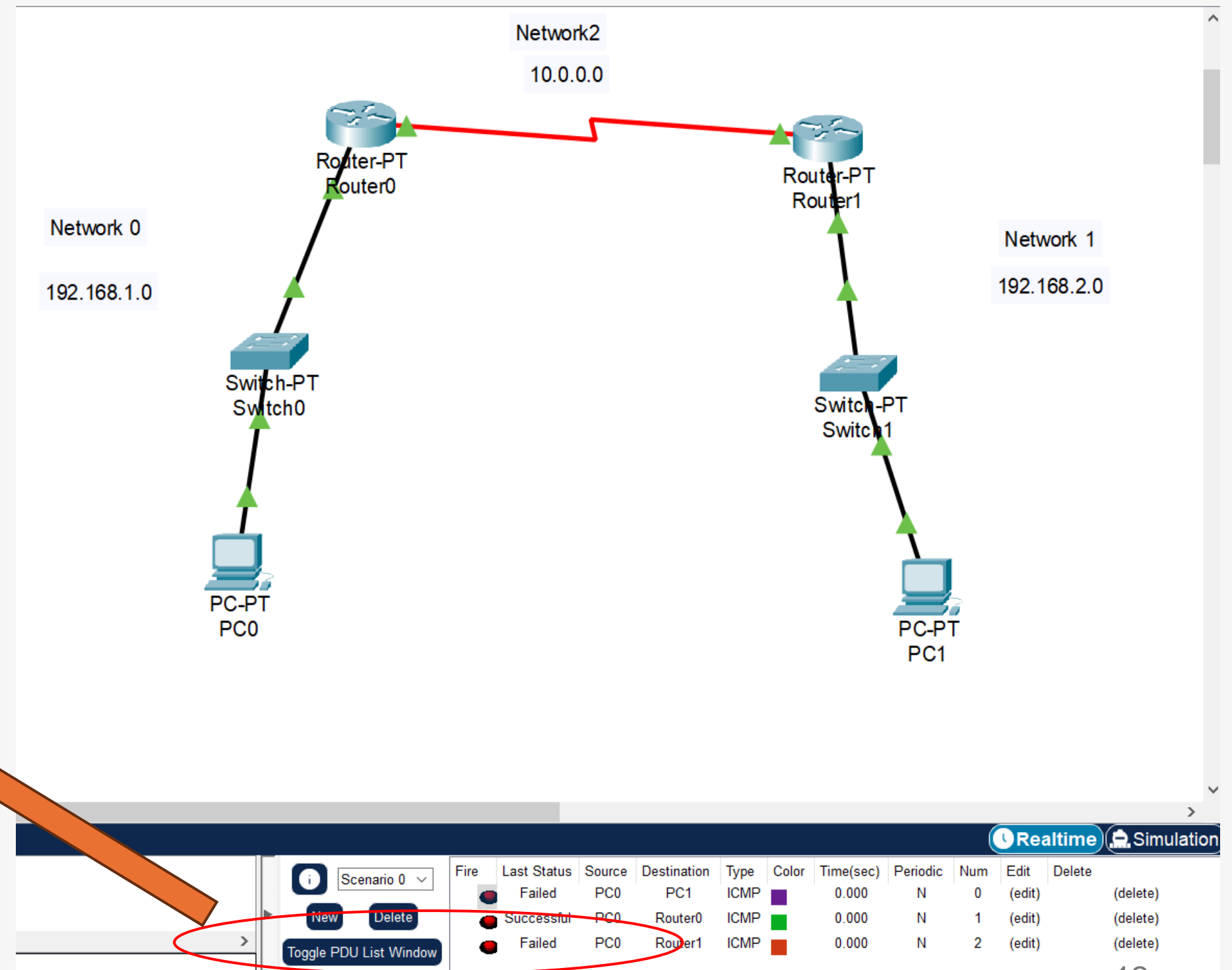
- Build a Small-Scale Network



3.1 Small-Scale Network (RIP)

- Ping PC1 from PC0 failed,
- Ping Router0 from PC0 succeeded.
- Because RIP is not configured yet
→ network0 and network1 cannot communicate.

Fire	Last Status	Source	Destination	Type	Color	Time(sec)	Periodic	Num
	Failed	PC0	PC1	ICMP	Purple	0.000	N	0
	Successful	PC0	Router0	ICMP	Green	0.000	N	1
	Failed	PC0	Router1	ICMP	Red	0.000	N	2



3.1 Small-Scale Network (RIP)

- Configure RIP on Router1 and Router0 save it.

The screenshot shows the configuration window for Router0. The 'Config' tab is active, and the 'RIP Routing' section is selected in the left sidebar. The 'RIP Routing' table is empty, with an 'Add' button at the bottom right. The 'Network Address' column is visible, and the 'Add' button is highlighted.

Network Address

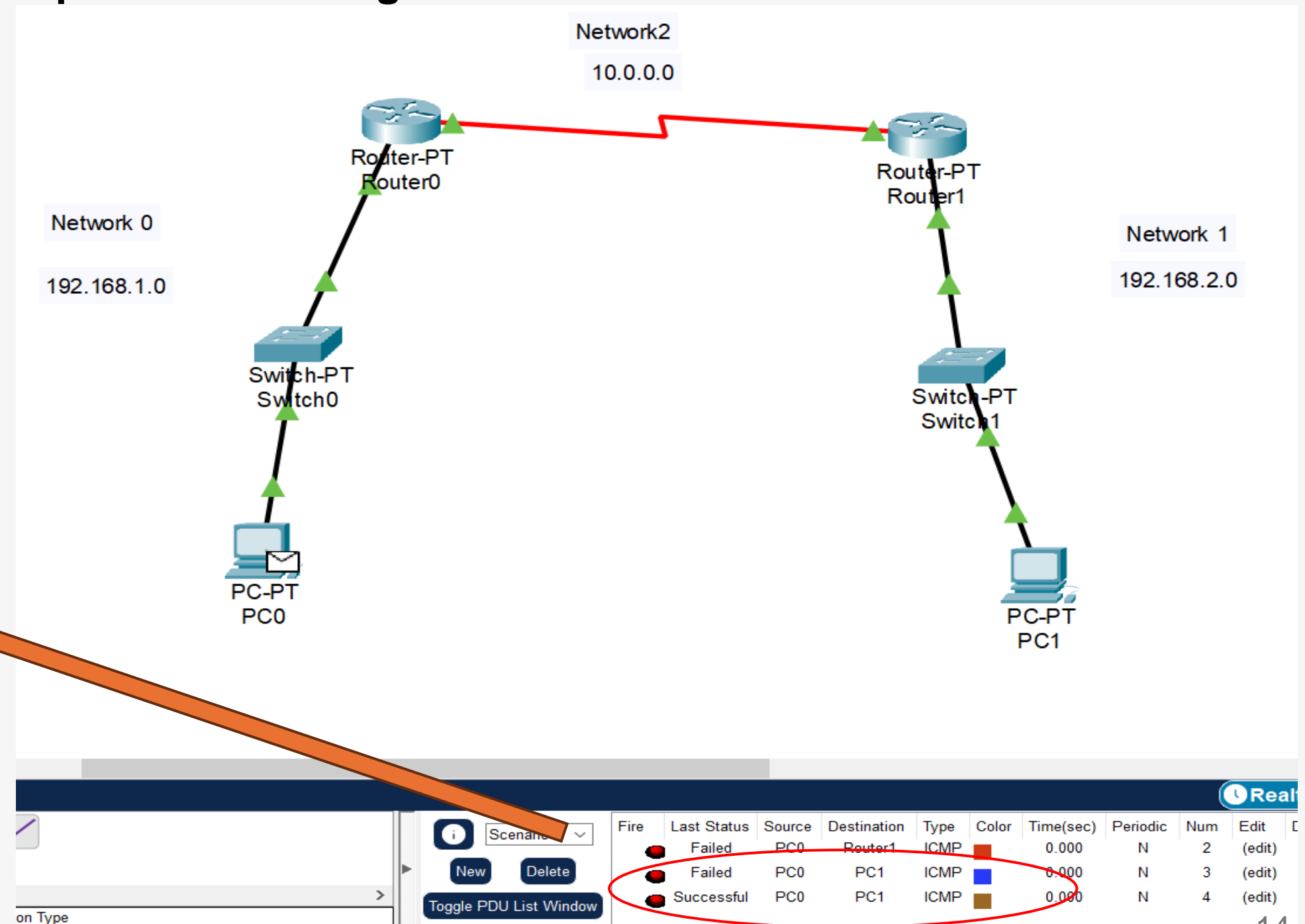
The screenshot shows the configuration window for Router1. The 'Config' tab is active, and the 'RIP Routing' section is selected in the left sidebar. The 'RIP Routing' table is empty, with an 'Add' button at the bottom right. The 'Network Address' column is visible, and the 'Add' button is highlighted.

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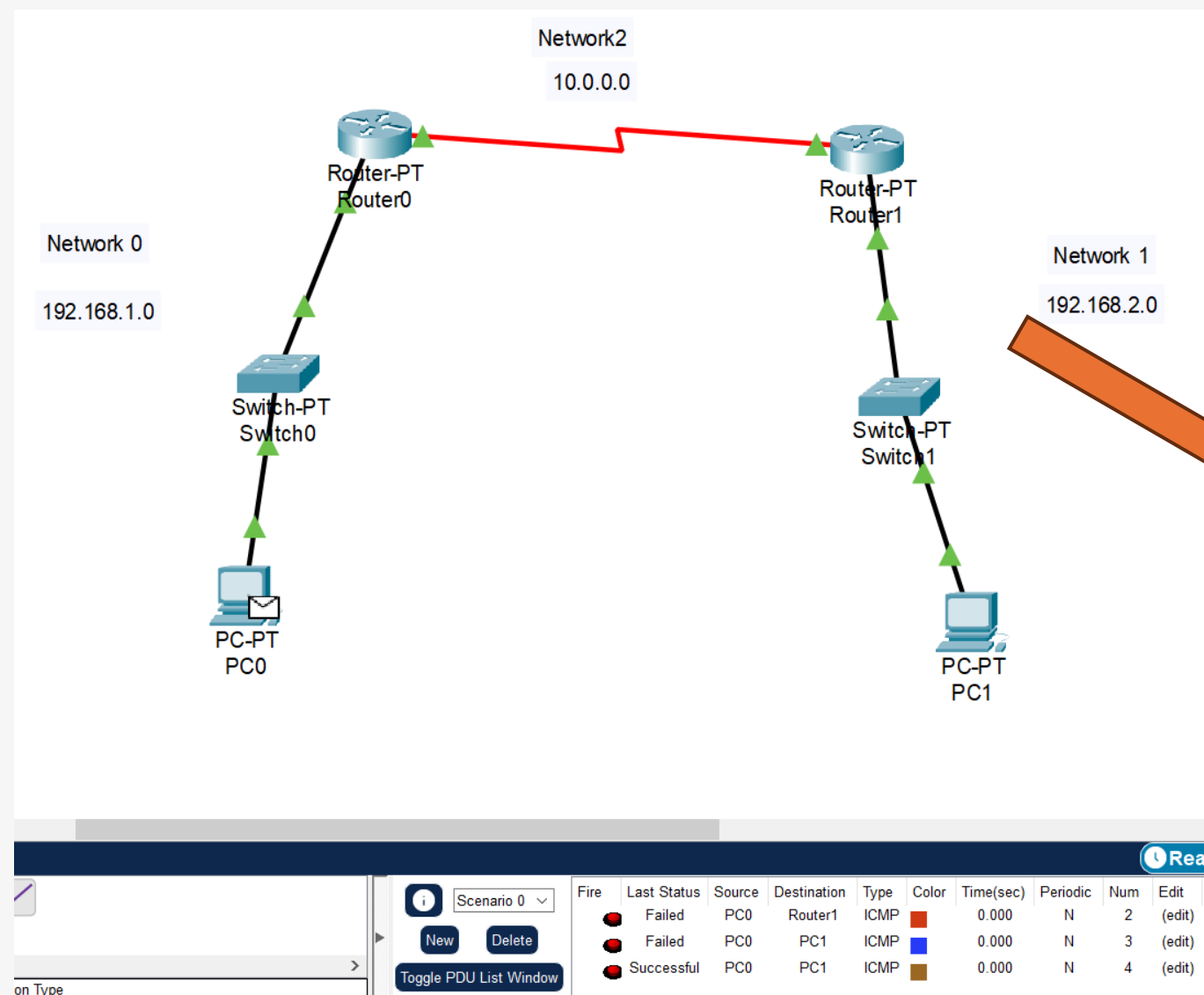
- Ping PC1 from PC0 failed the first time
- Ping succeeded the second time.
- Because it takes time for the RIP protocol to update the routing table.

Fire	Last Status	Source	Destination	Type	Color	Time
	Failed	PC0	Router1	ICMP		0.0
	Failed	PC0	PC1	ICMP		0.0
	Successful	PC0	PC1	ICMP		0.0



3.1 Small-Scale Network (RIP)

- Check Routing Table of R1



```
Router#show ip route
Codes: C - connected, S - static, I - IGRP, R - RIP, M - mobile, B - BGP
       D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external, O - OSPF, IA - OSPF inter area
       N1 - OSPF NSSA external type 1, N2 - OSPF NSSA external type 2
       E1 - OSPF external type 1, E2 - OSPF external type 2, E - EGP
       i - IS-IS, L1 - IS-IS level-1, L2 - IS-IS level-2, ia - IS-IS inter area
       * - candidate default, U - per-user static route, o - ODR
       P - periodic downloaded static route

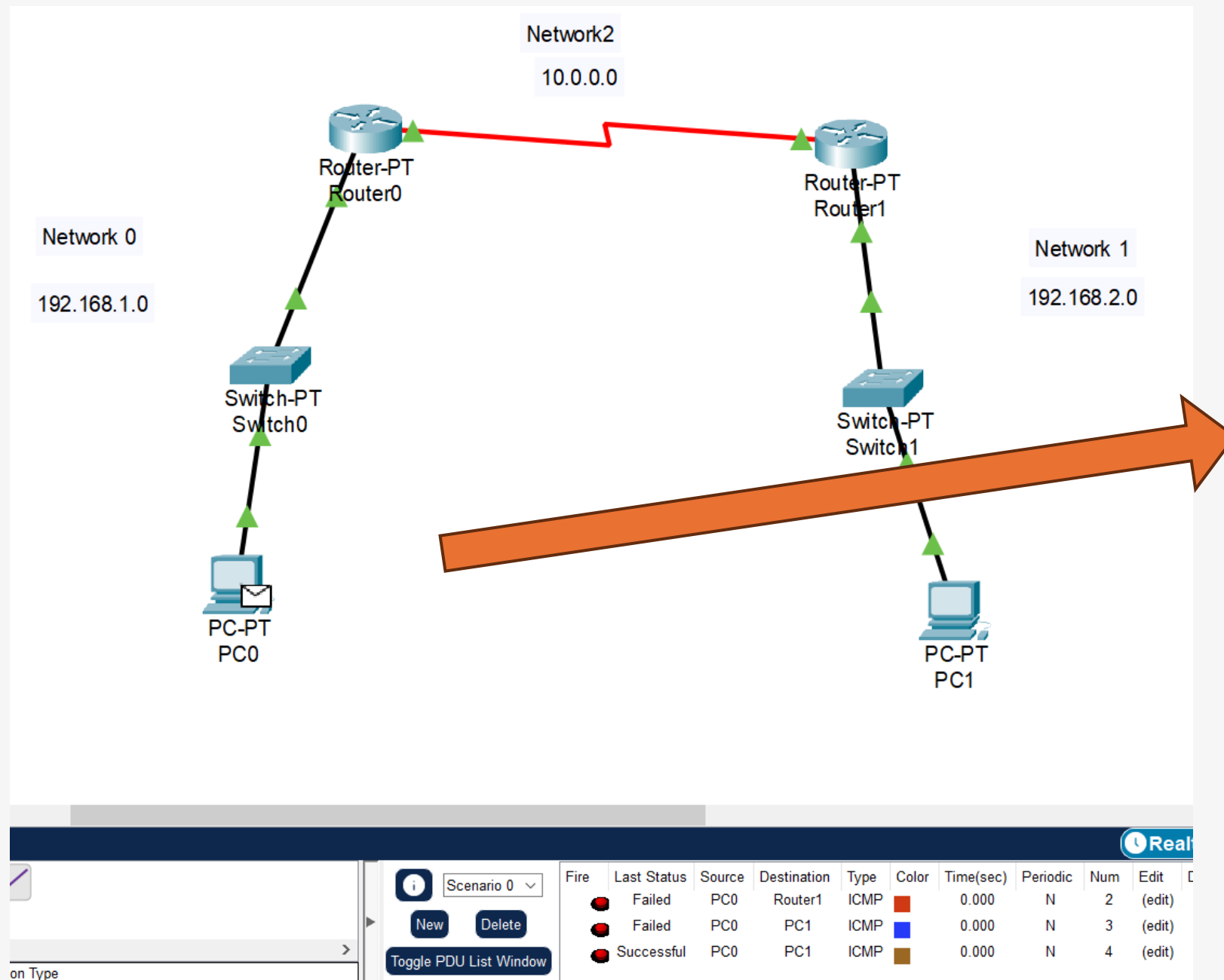
Gateway of last resort is not set

C    10.0.0.0/8 is directly connected, Serial2/0
C    192.168.1.0/24 is directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
R    192.168.2.0/24 [120/1] via 10.10.0.3, 00:00:19, Serial2/0

Router#show ip rip database
10.0.0.0/8      auto-summary
10.0.0.0/8      directly connected, Serial2/0
192.168.1.0/24  auto-summary
192.168.1.0/24  directly connected, FastEthernet0/0
192.168.2.0/24  auto-summary
192.168.2.0/24  [1] via 10.10.0.3, 00:00:26, Serial2/0
Router# tracetraceroute 192.168.1.1
```

3.1 Small-Scale Network (RIP)

- Check HOP form PC0 to PC1



Tracing the route to 192.168.2.4

```
1  10.10.0.3      14 msec   1 msec   3 msec
2  *              3 msec   3 msec
Router#
```

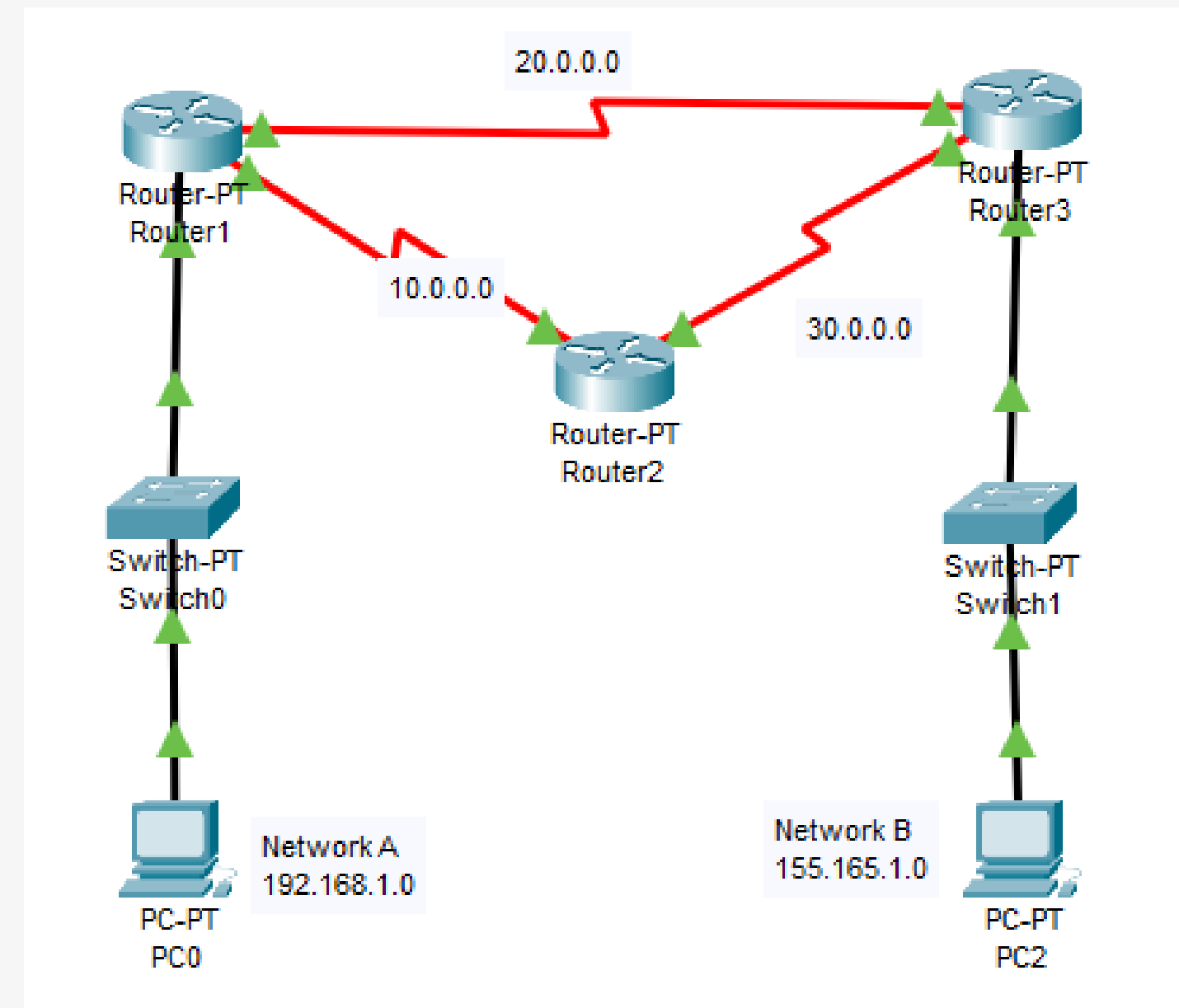
3.2 Large Enterprise Network (OSPF)

- Build a simplified single-area OSPF network

```
Enter configuration commands, one per line.  
Router(config)#interface se3/0  
Router(config-if)#bandwidth 50
```

```
Router(config)#interface se2/0  
Router(config-if)#bandwidth 1000  
Router(config-if)#exit
```

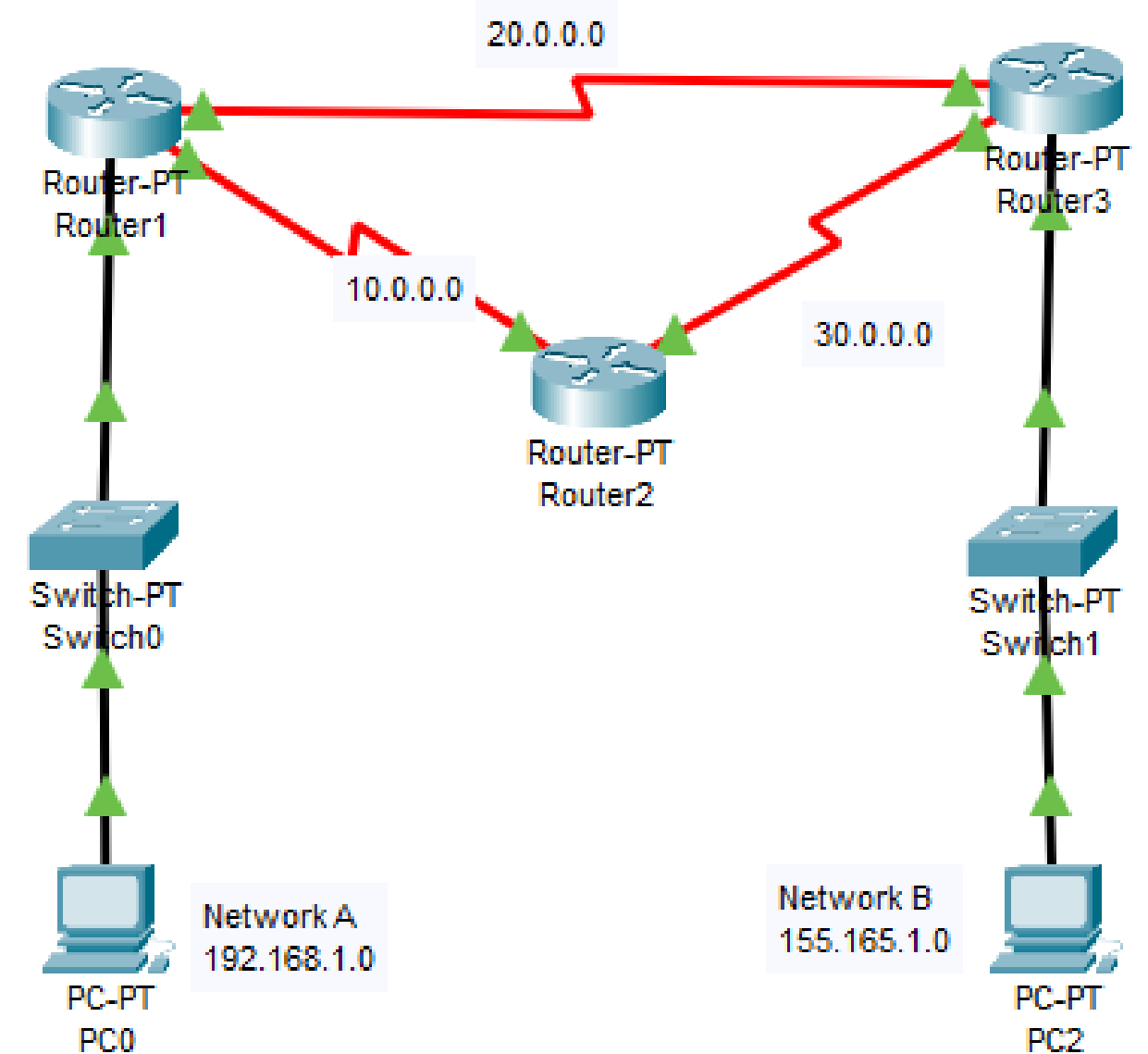
$$Cost = \frac{Reference\ Bandwidth}{Interface\ Bandwidth}$$



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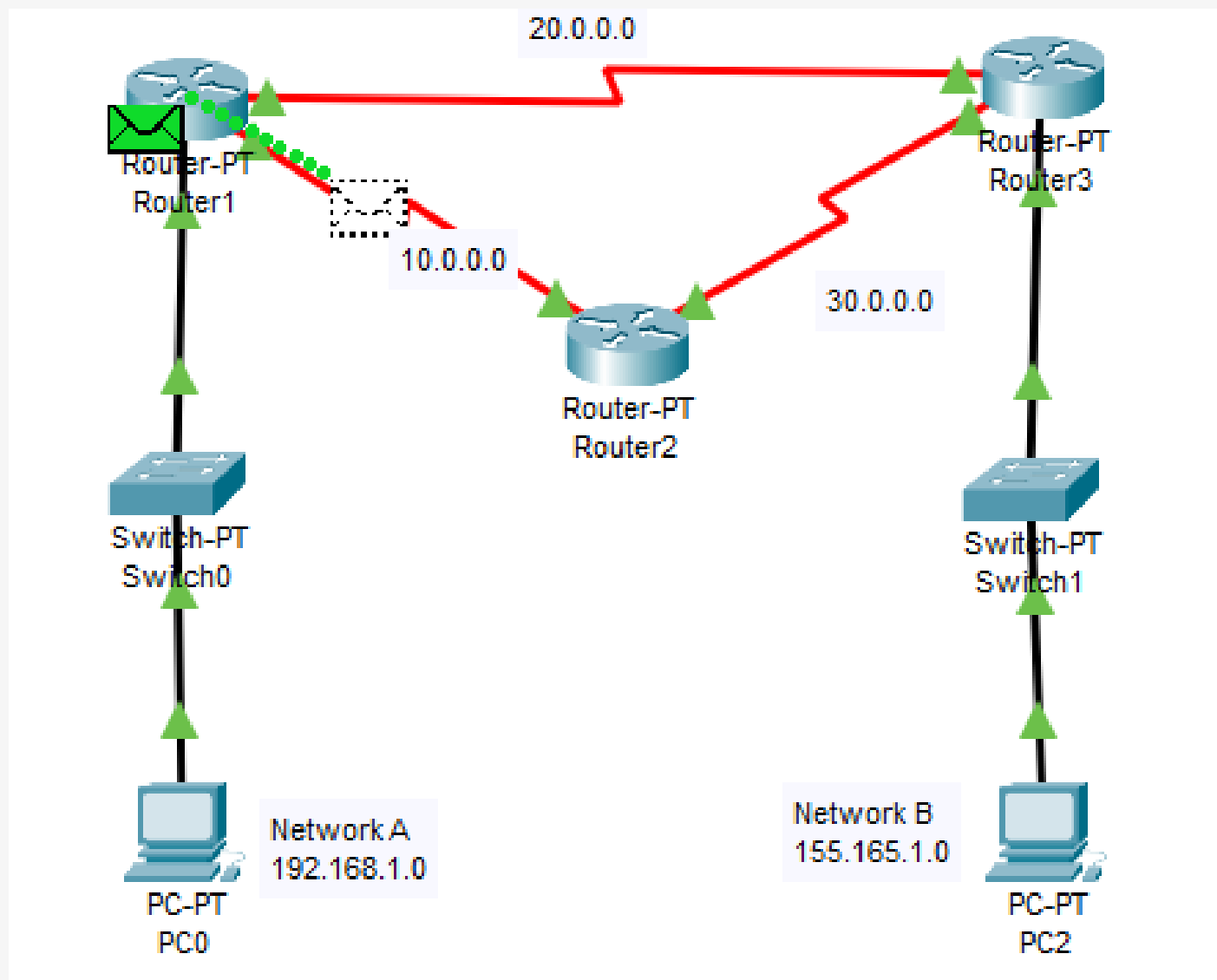
- Configure OSPF protocol on routers

```
Router>enable
Router#configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Router(config)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#network
% Incomplete command.
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.225 area 0
OSPF: Invalid address/mask combination (discontiguous mask)
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
Router(config-router)#network 10.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 0
Router(config-router)#network 20.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 0
Router(config-router)#exit
```



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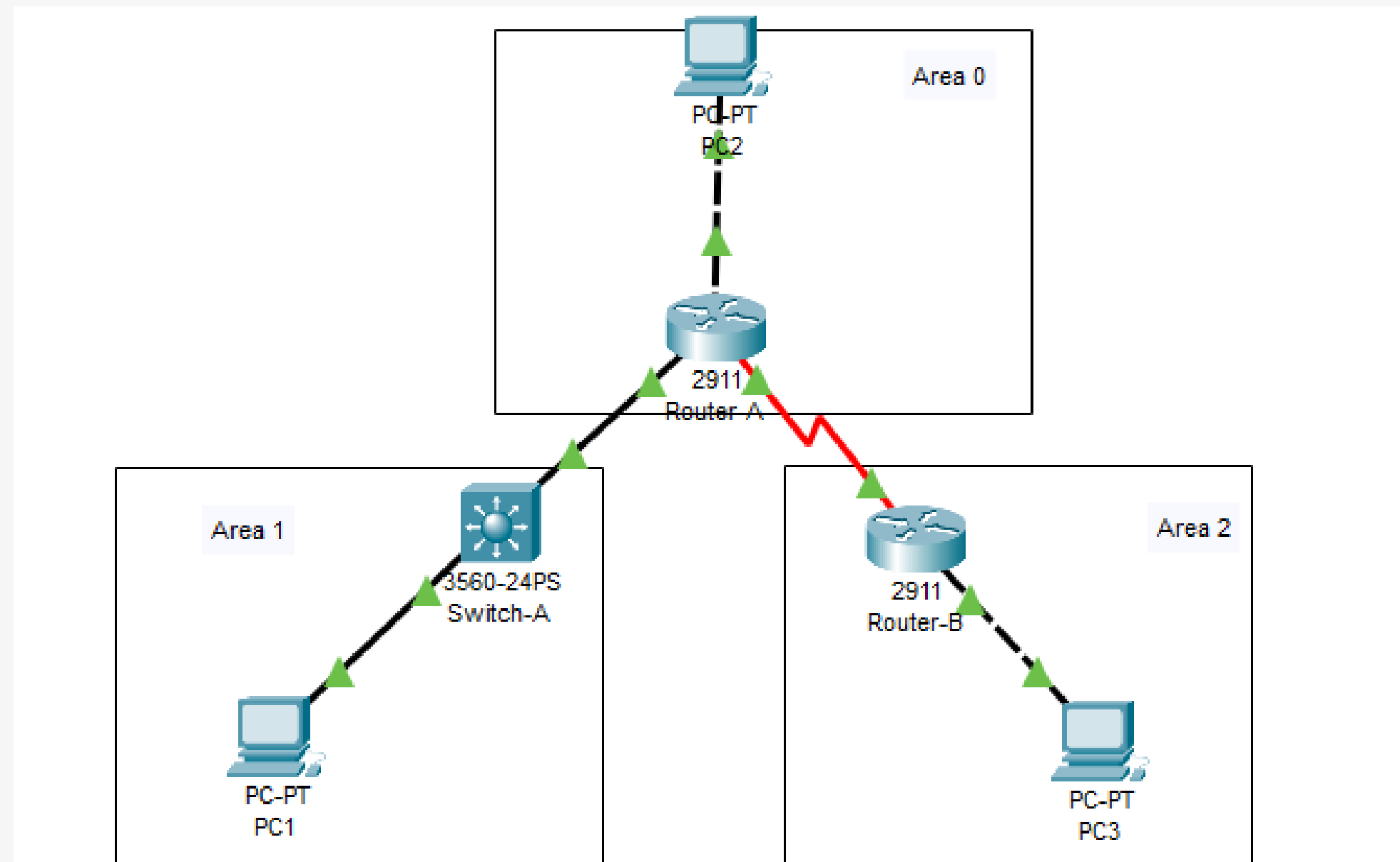
- Stimulate the OSPF network



Event List			
Vis.	Time(sec)	Last Device	At Device
	0.000	--	PC0
	0.001	PC0	Switch0
	0.003	Switch0	Router1
	0.006	Router1	Router2
	0.009	Router2	Router3
	0.010	Router3	Switch1
	0.012	Switch1	PC2
	0.013	PC2	Switch1

3.2 Large Enterprise Network (OSPF)

- Build the multi-area OSPF network



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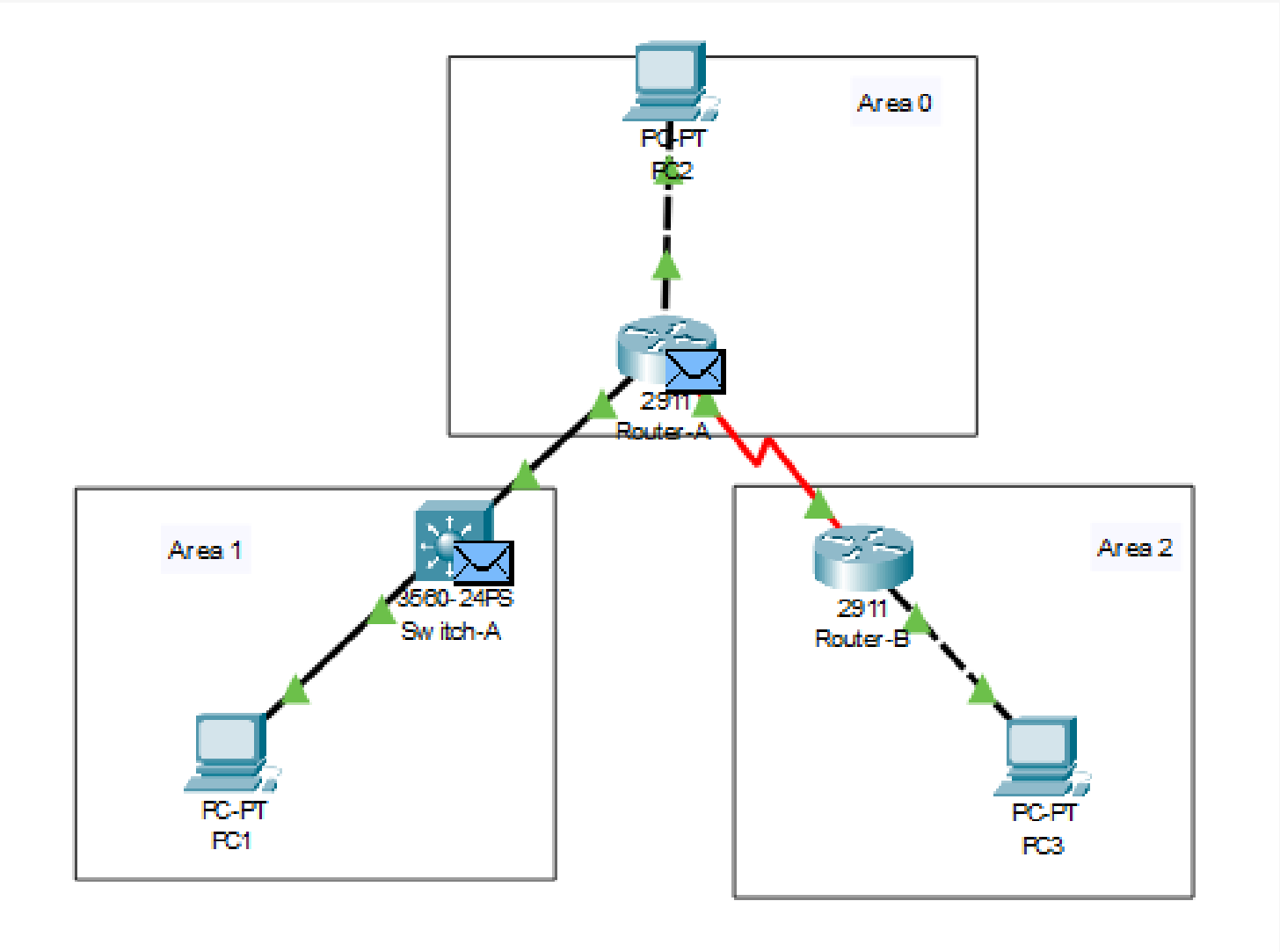
```
Router-A(config-if)#exit
Router-A(config)#router ospf 1
Router-A(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
Router-A(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
00:18:49 %OSPF-5-ADJCHG: Process 1, Nbr 192.168.10.1 on GigabitEthernet0/1
Router-A(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
Router-A(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 2
Router-A(config-router)#network 192.168.20.0 0.0.0.255 area 1
```

```
Router-B(config-if)#exit
Router-B(config)#router ospf 1
Router-B(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 2
Router-B(config-router)#network 192.168.30.0 0.0.0.255 area 2
00:20:43: %OSPF-5-ADJCHG: Process 1, Nbr 192.168.20.1 on Serial0/3/0 from LOADING to
FULL, Loading Done

Router-B(config-router)#network 192.168.2.0 0.0.0.255 area 2
Router-B(config-router)#network 192.168.30.0 0.0.0.255 area 2
```

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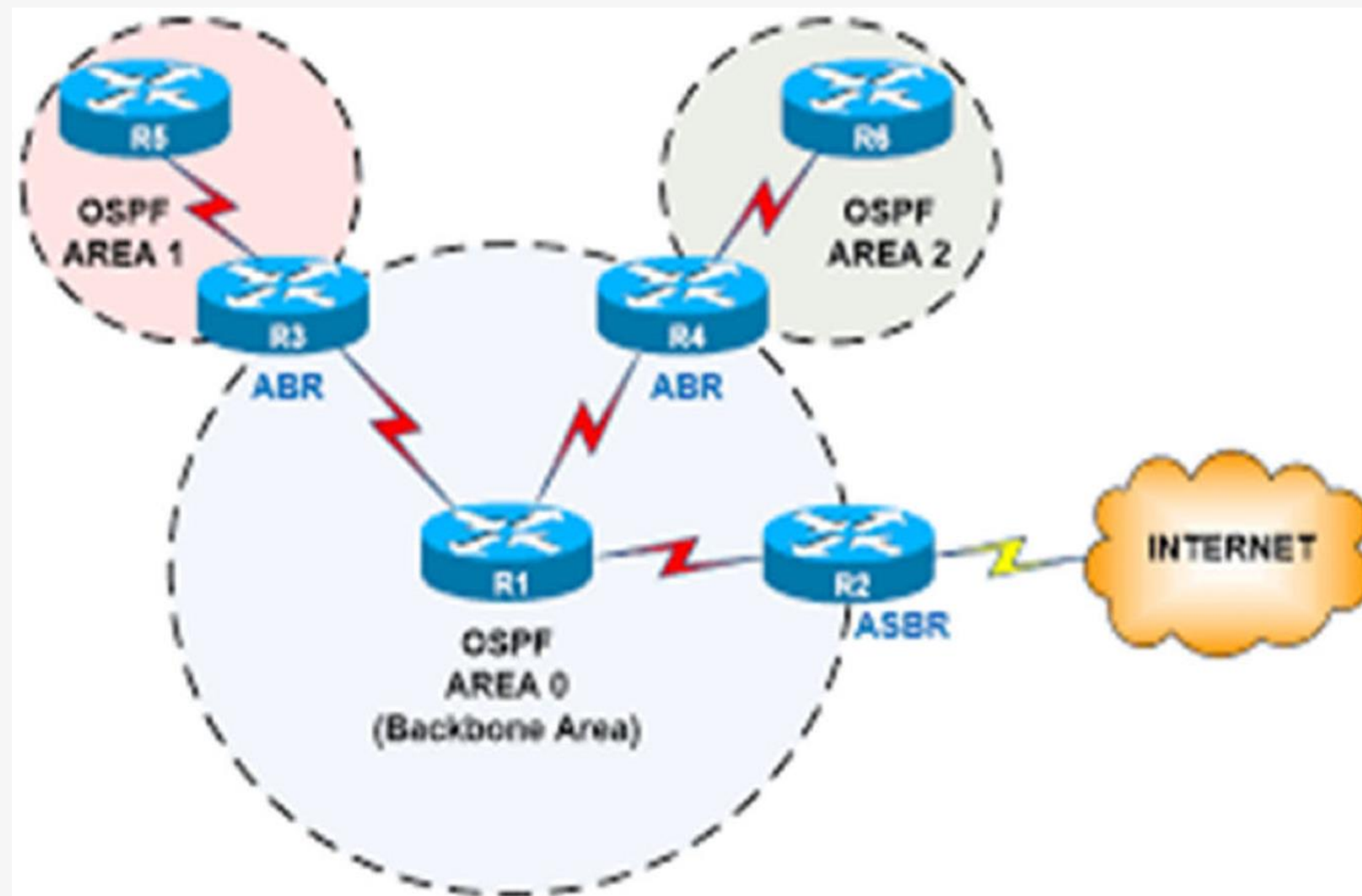
- Stimulate the network



Event List

Vis.	Time(sec)	Last Device	At Device
	0.000	--	PC1
	0.001	PC1	Switch-A
	0.002	Switch-A	Router-A
	0.003	Router-A	Router-B
	0.004	Router-B	PC3
	0.005	PC3	Router-B

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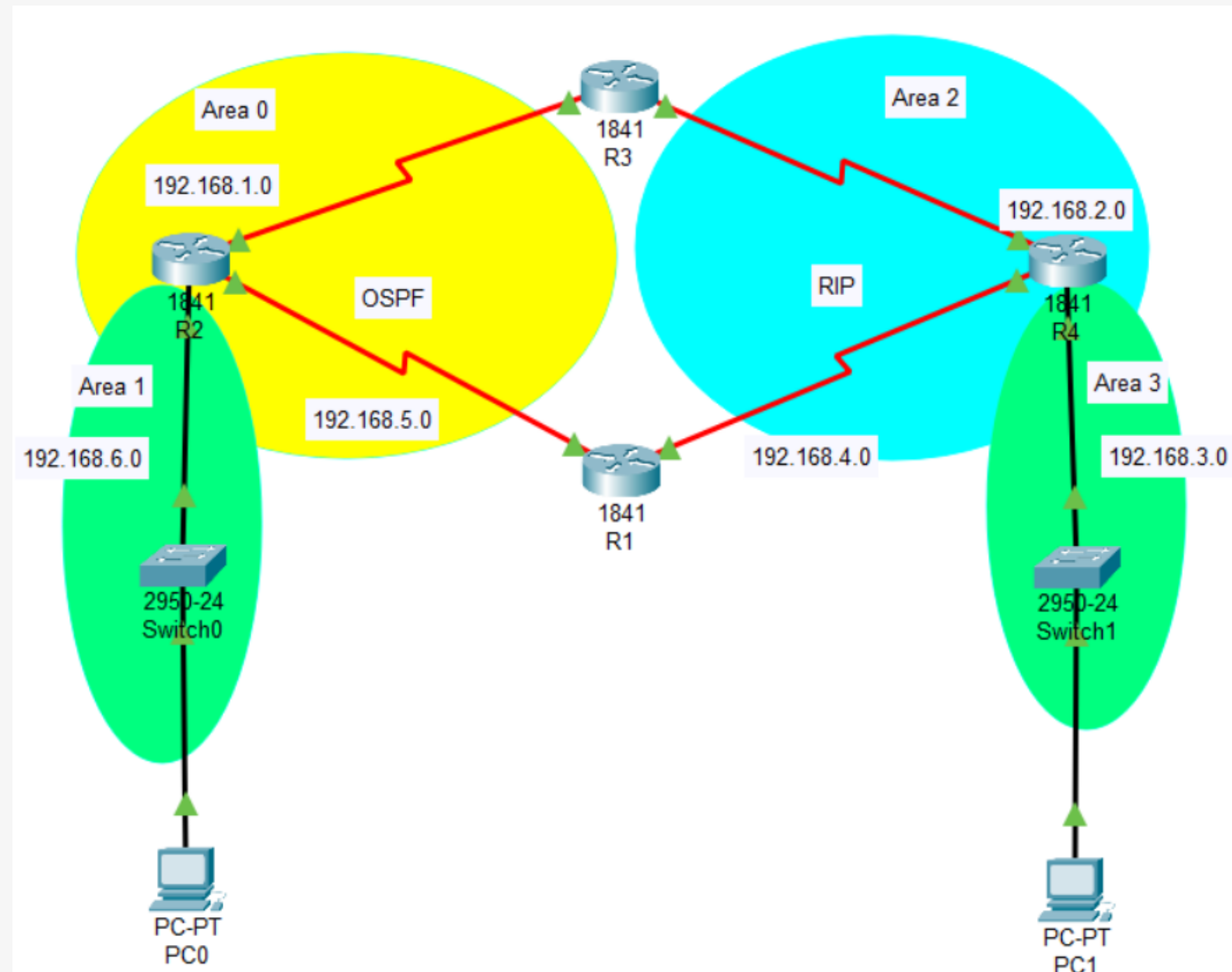


- **Advantage**
 - Scalability
 - Efficient Routing
- **Disadvantages**
 - Complexity
 - Resource Intensive

3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Redistribution

Convert RIP and OSPF metrics to make them compatible



3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Configure RIP for the router in Area2

R3

Physical Config CLI Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

Algorithm Settings

ROUTING

Static

RIP

SWITCHING

INTERFACE

Network

Network Address

192.168.2.0

R1

Physical Config CLI Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

Algorithm Settings

ROUTING

Static

RIP

RIP Routing

Network

Network Address

192.168.4.0

Add

R4

Physical Config CLI Attributes

GLOBAL

Settings

Algorithm Settings

ROUTING

Static

RIP

SWITCHING

VLAN Database

INTERFACE

FastEthernet0/0

FastEthernet0/1

Serial0/0/0

Serial0/0/1

RIP Routing

Network

Network Address

192.168.2.0

192.168.3.0

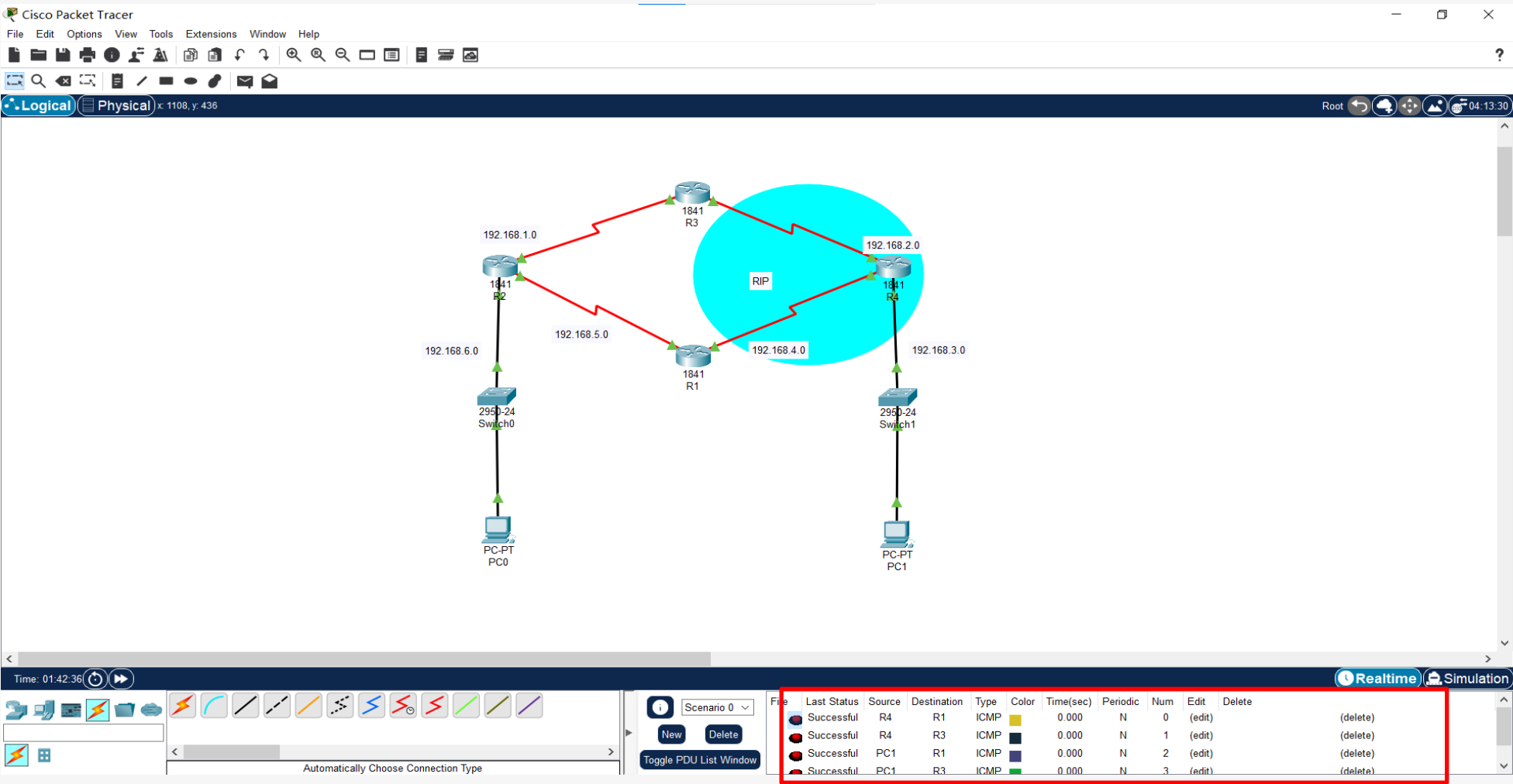
192.168.4.0

Add

Remove

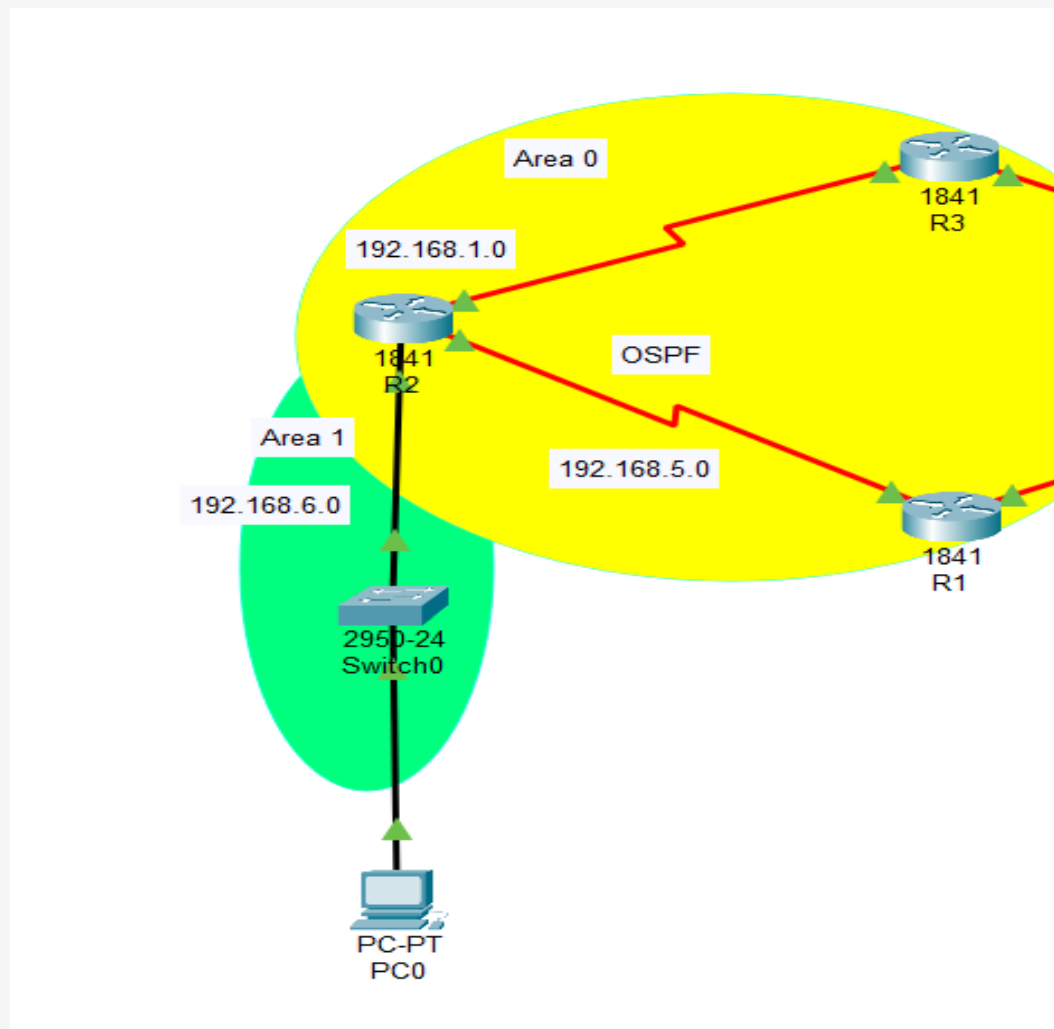
Equivalent IOS Commands

Specify the network participating in RIP



3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Configure OSPF for the router in Area 0 and Area 1



```
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#
```

R3

```
Router(config)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.5.0 0.0.0.255 area
0
Router(config-router)#exit
```

R1

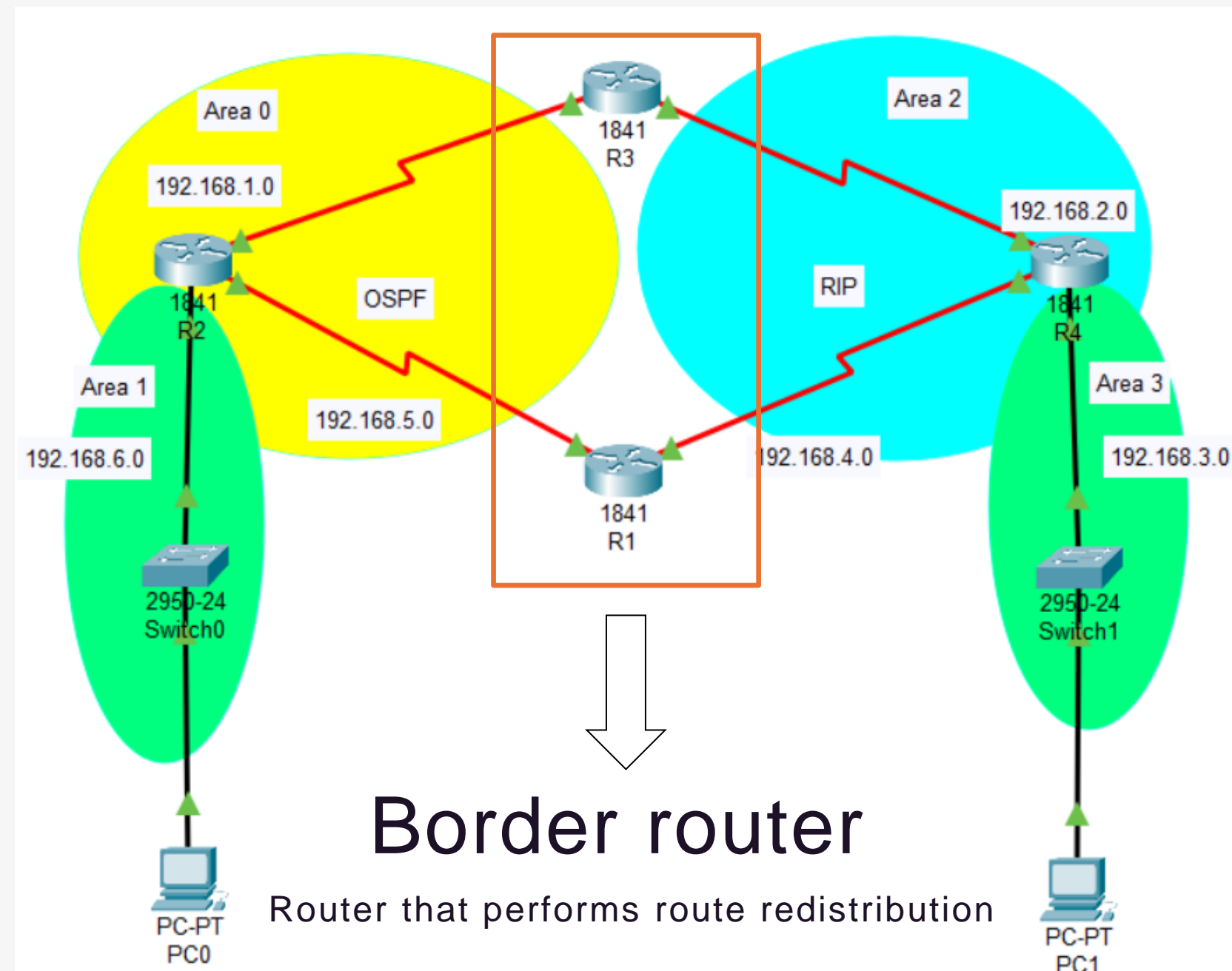
```
Router>
Router>
Router>enable
Router#
Router#configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with
CNTL/Z.
Router(config)#router rip
Router(config-router)#eixt
^
% Invalid input detected at '^' marker.

Router(config-router)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area
0
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.5.0 0.0.0.255 area
0
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.6.0 0.0.0.255 area
1
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#
```

The OSPF process numbers of adjacent routers must be the same.

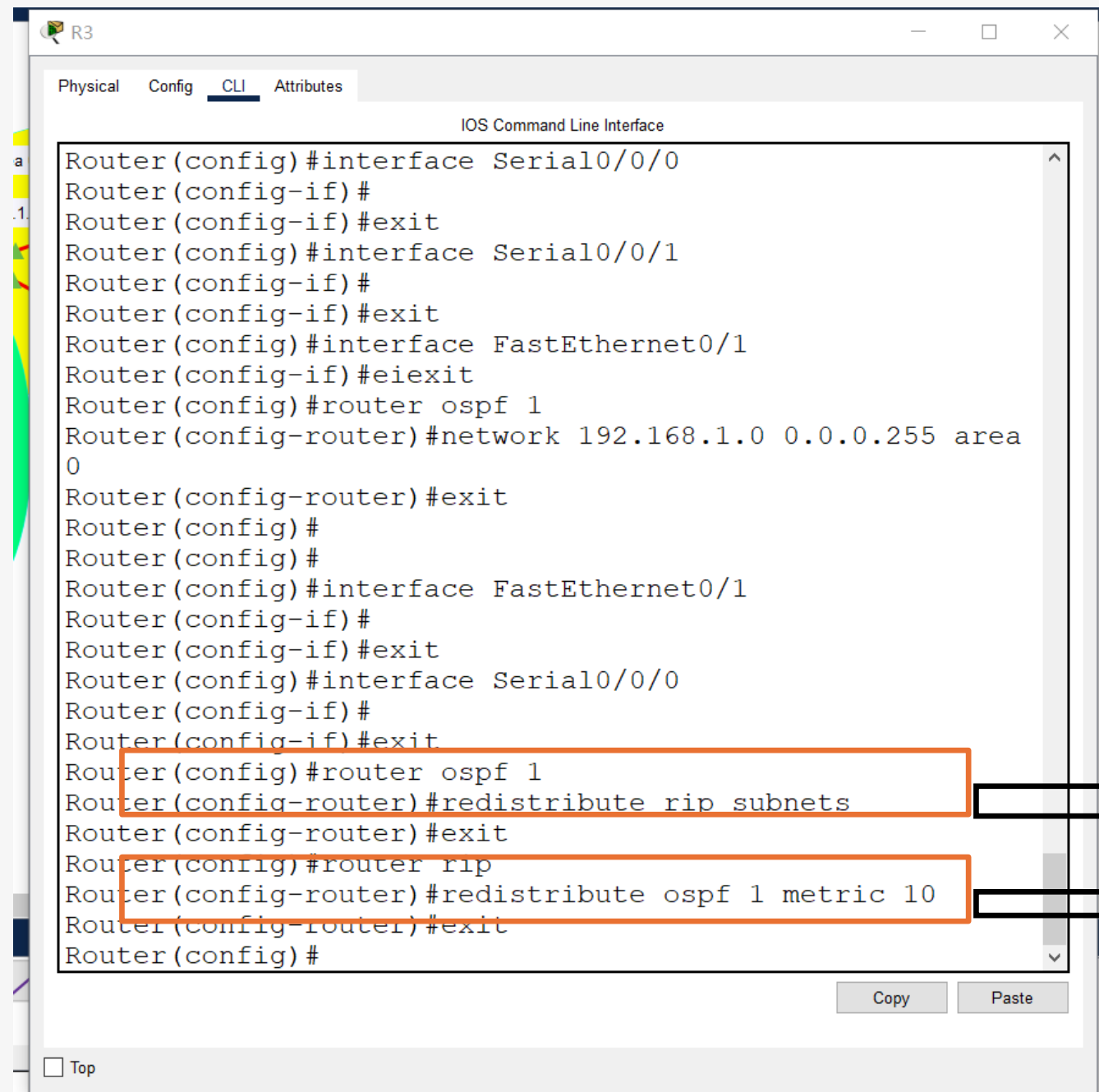
3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Configure OSPF redistribution into RIP



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Configure OSPF redistribution into RIP



```
Router(config)#interface Serial0/0/0
Router(config-if)#
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#interface Serial0/0/1
Router(config-if)#
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#interface FastEthernet0/1
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#network 192.168.1.0 0.0.0.255 area 0
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#
Router(config)#
Router(config)#interface FastEthernet0/1
Router(config-if)#
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#interface Serial0/0/0
Router(config-if)#
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#router ospf 1
Router(config-router)#redistribute rip subnets
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#router rip
Router(config-router)#redistribute ospf 1 metric 10
Router(config-router)#exit
Router(config)#
```

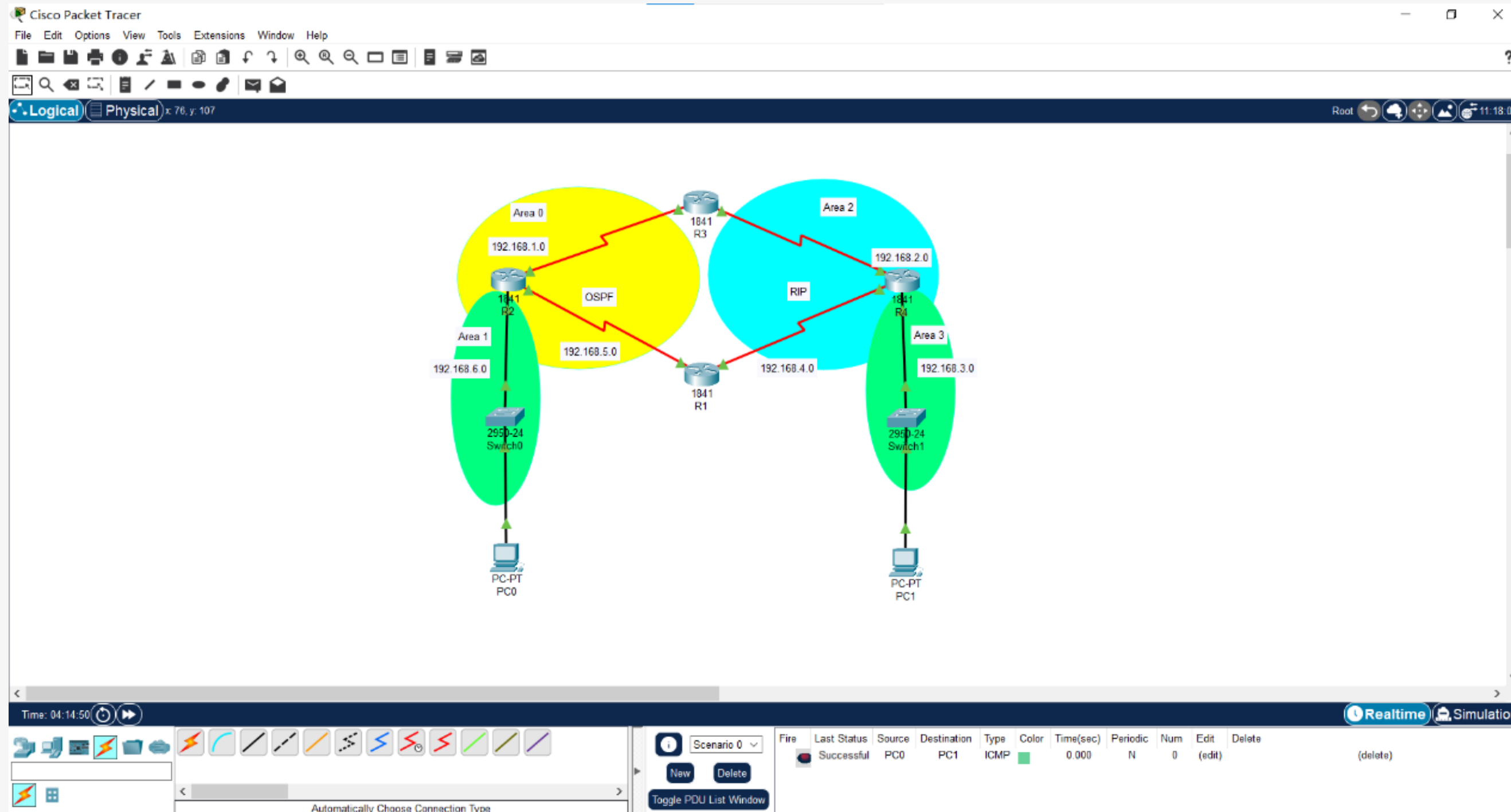
The screenshot shows a Cisco IOS CLI window with the following configuration steps: 1. Configure interfaces Serial0/0/0, Serial0/0/1, and FastEthernet0/1. 2. Enable OSPF process 1 and advertise the 192.168.1.0/24 network. 3. Enable RIP process 1 and redistribute OSPF routes with a metric of 10. 4. Enable OSPF process 1 and redistribute RIP routes. The last two steps are highlighted with orange boxes.

Redistribute RIP routing information in the OSPF process
OSPF incorporates the subnet information learned by RIP into the OSPF routing table

Redistribute OSPF routing information in the RIP process
The imported OSPF route will be set with a metric value of 10 instead of using the default RIP hop count.

3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Verify network connectivity



3.3 Hybrid Network (RIP and OSPF)

Advantages

- **Interoperability:** Supports legacy systems where RIP is already in place, allowing for a smoother transition to more advanced OSPF without immediate full-scale upgrades.
- **Flexibility:** Enables phased network upgrades, transitioning individual segments to OSPF while maintaining overall network service.
- **Cost-Effectiveness:** May defer costs associated with upgrading hardware that does not support OSPF.

Disadvantages

- **Complexity:** Managing two protocols increases the complexity of the network, necessitating advanced knowledge and careful configuration to prevent issues like routing loops and asynchronous routing tables.
- **Inconsistency in Metrics:** OSPF and RIP use different metrics for determining the best path, which can lead to suboptimal routing decisions when the protocols interact.
- **Administrative Overhead:** Requires careful tuning of redistribution between the protocols to maintain a consistent and loop-free environment.

4. Conclusion

How Choosing Between RIP and OSPF:

Depends on network size, complexity, and requirements for efficiency and scalability.

Each protocol has its specific use case and operational objectives.

	RIP	OSPF
Scale	Small	Large
Complexity	Low	High
Overhead	High in bandwidth Low in computation	Low in bandwidth High in computation
User friendly	High	Low