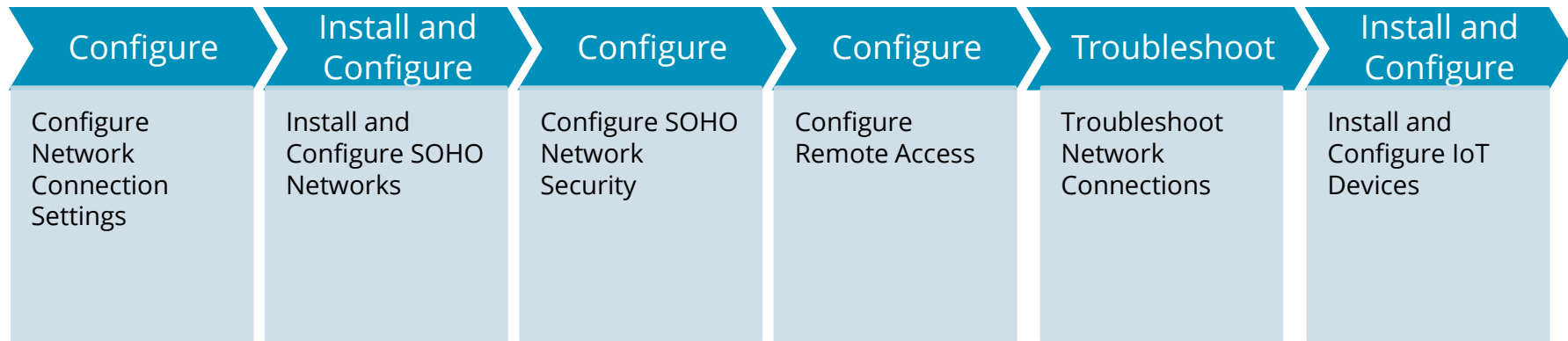


CH6: Network Operations and Diagnostics



Topic A: Configuring and Troubleshooting Networks



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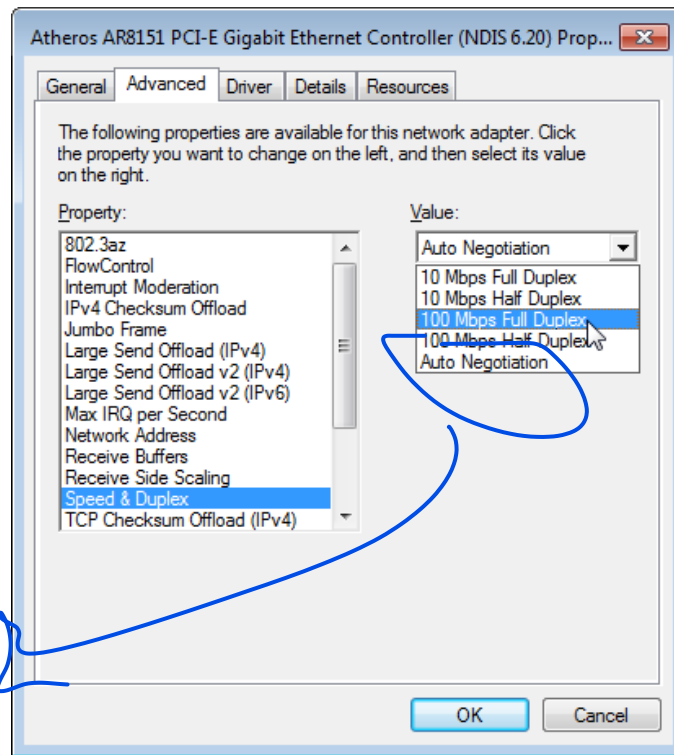
- Computer's network adapter connects to a network appliance
- Card settings should be configured to match network



Wired Network Cards

- Ethernet adapter and switch must have same media type:
 - Signaling speed
 - Half/full duplex
- Most will auto-negotiate; can be configured
- Most settings can be left at default

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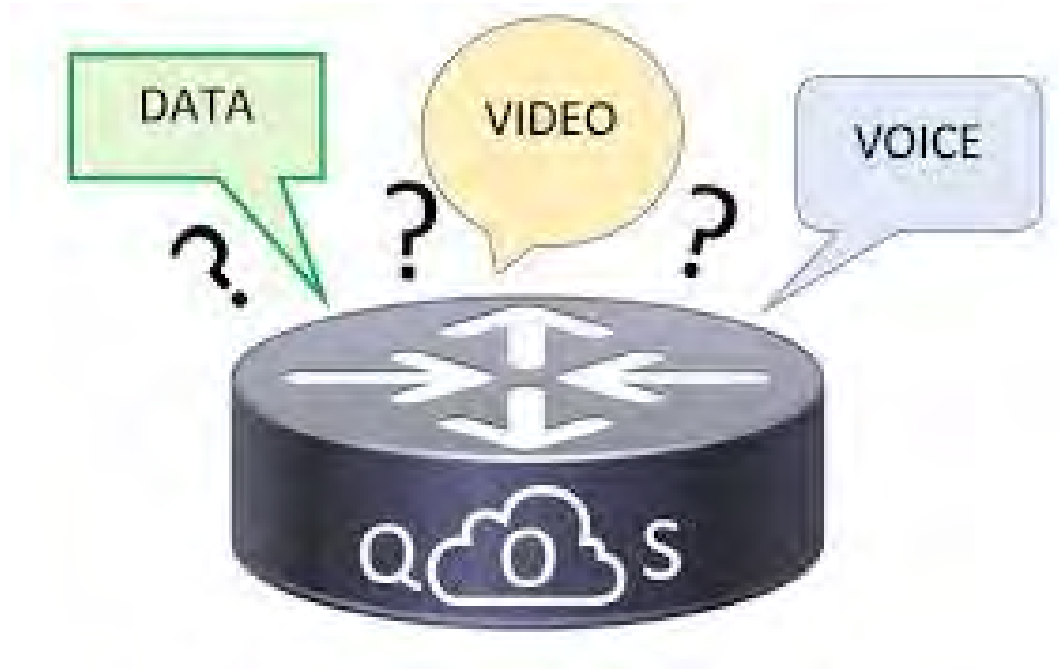
QoS

Network protocol that prioritizes some types of traffic.

Can help ensure real-time applications such as VoIP or video conference have priority.

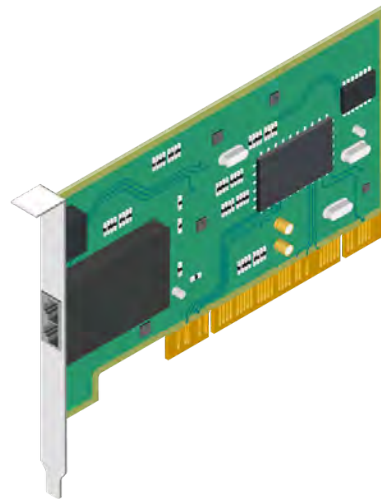
QoS usually configured on managed switches.

May need to enable QoS protocol on adapter.

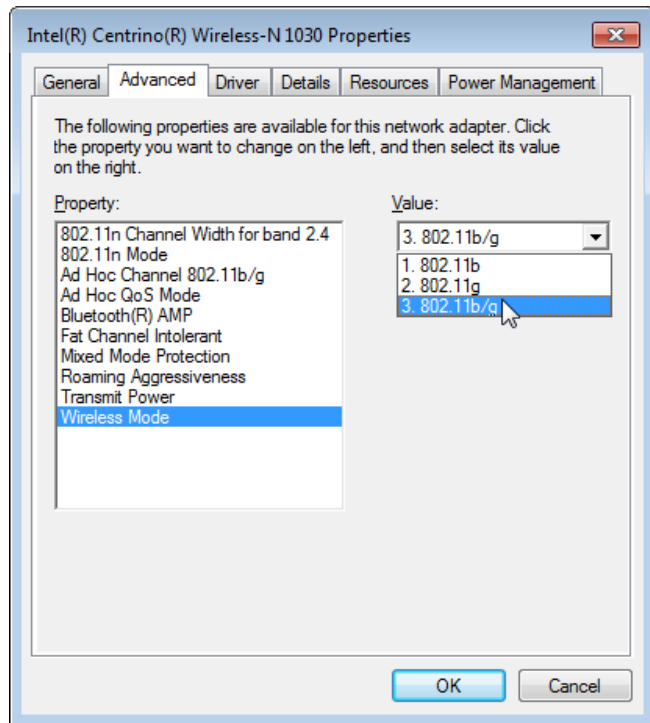


Onboard Network Cards

- Most computers have built-in Gigabit Ethernet adapter.
- Uses RJ-45 port/twisted-pair cabling.
- Check system setup if issues or to disable if installing a plug-in card.



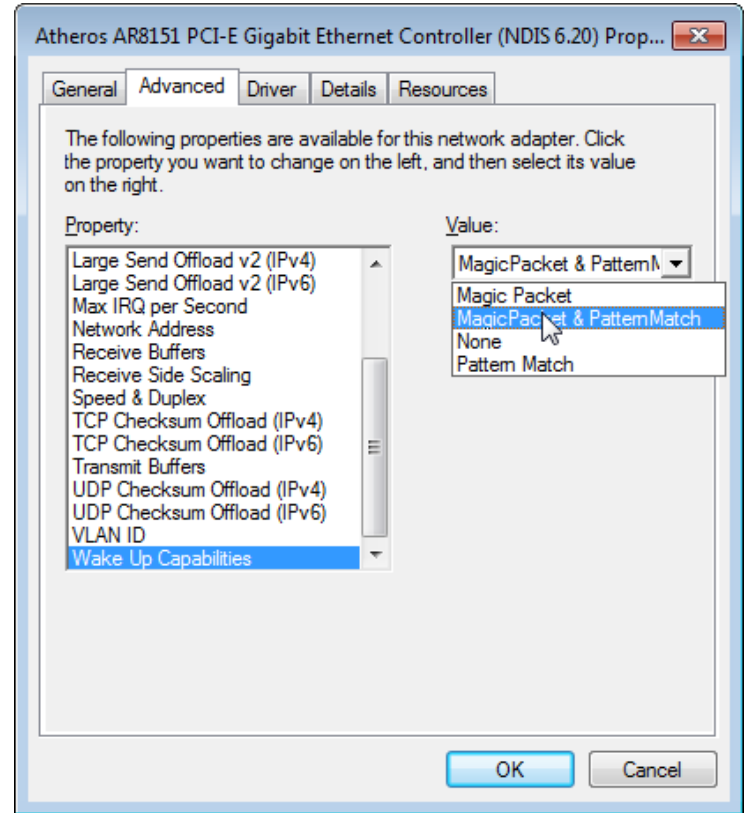
Wireless Network Cards



- Set up 802.11 standard supported by access point
- Card should support any standard available
- Configure Roaming Aggressiveness to adjust for weak signals
- Transmit Power usually set to highest level by default

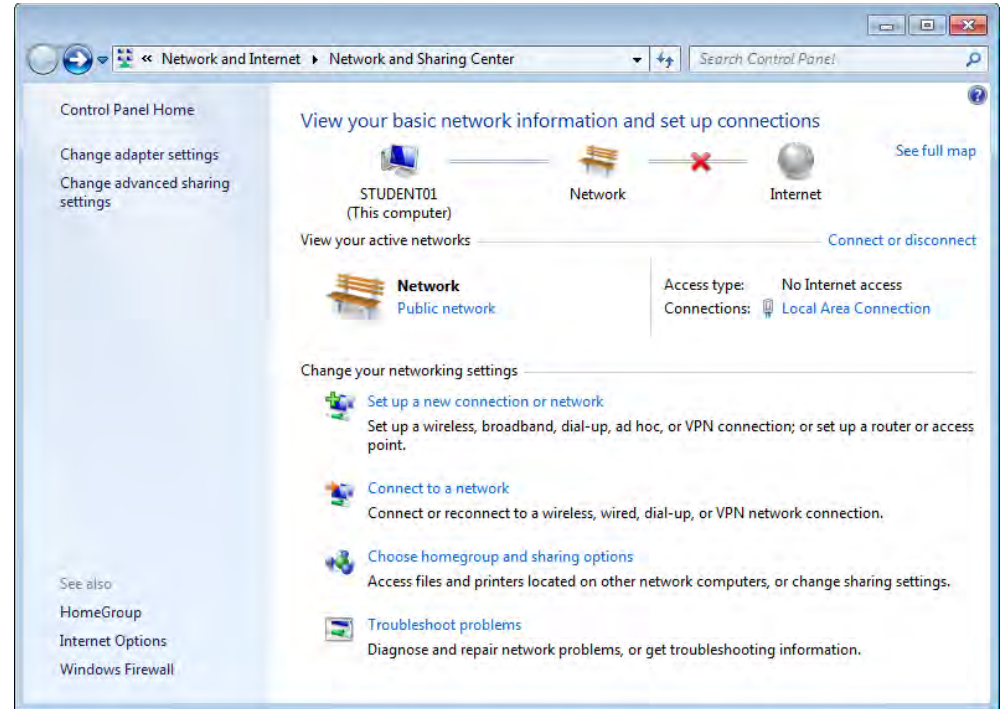
Wake on LAN

- Start computer remotely
- Network card is active, on standby
- “Magic packet” starts boot
- To set up WoL:
 1. Enable WoL in system setup
 2. Enable WoL on adapter
 3. Configure network to send magic packets



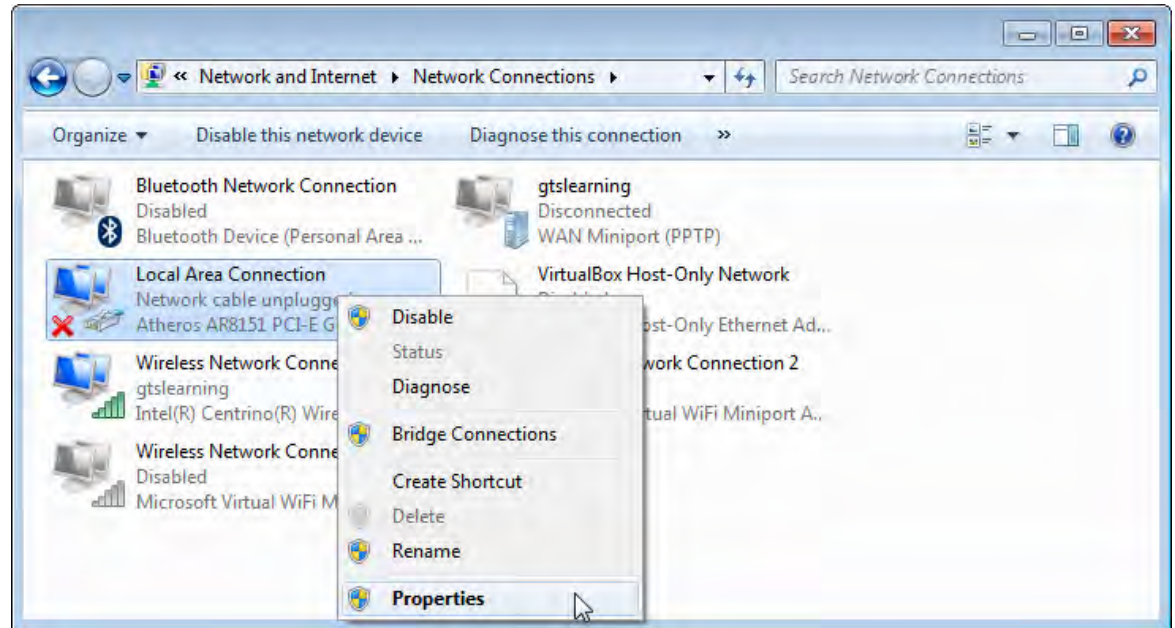
Network Connections in Windows

- Configure network card with client software and protocol
- Use Network and Sharing Center



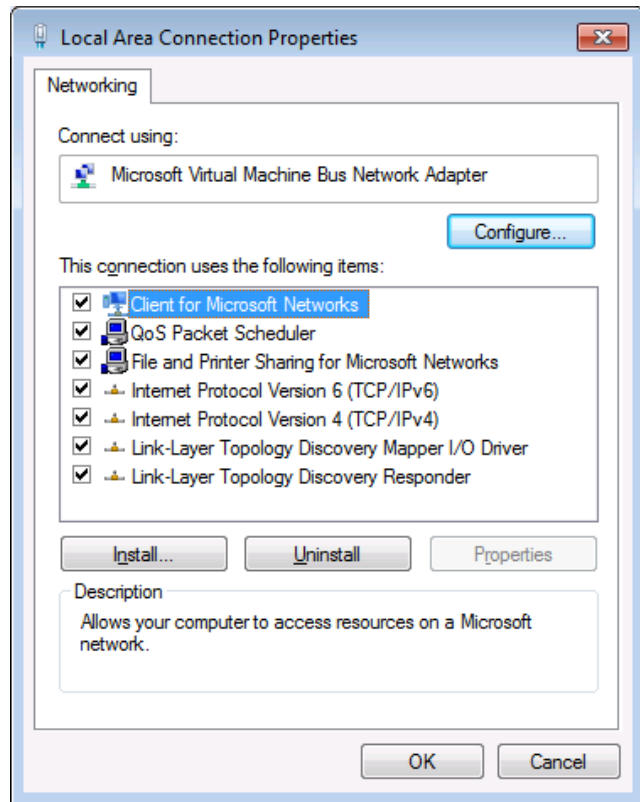
Network Connections in Windows

- Access adapter properties
- Wired/wireless adapter names vary



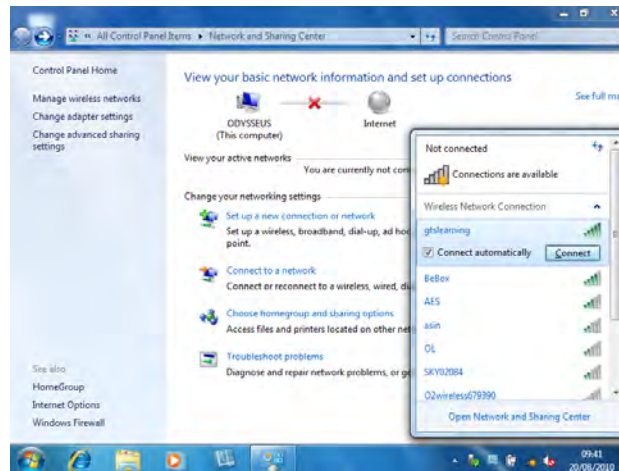
Network Connections in Windows

- Change properties or view status
- Configure client, protocol, service
- Default bindings include Microsoft clients, IPv4 and IPv6, and link-layer discovery



Network Connections in Windows

- To join WLAN, select network from list in notification area
- Can connect automatically
- Can configure manually if network not broadcasting



Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi

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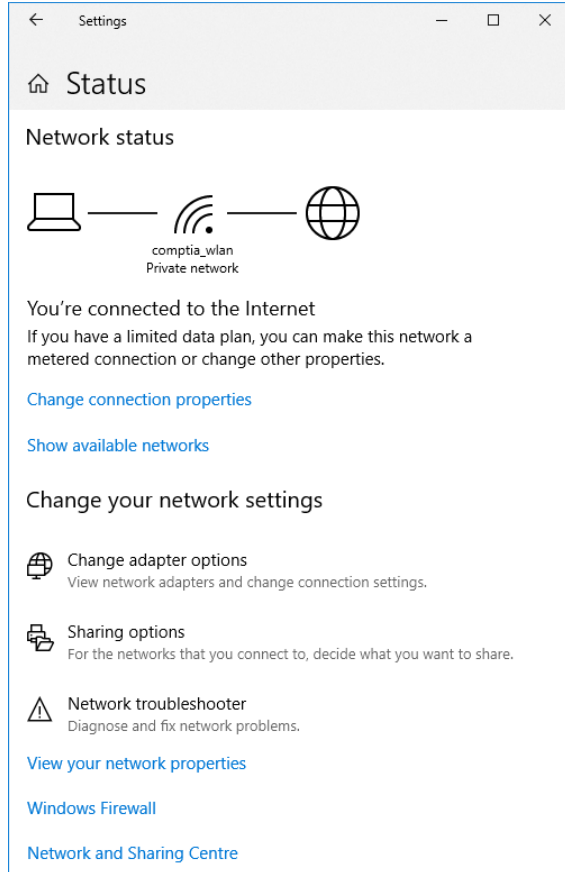
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[Show available networks](#)

[Hardware properties](#)

[Manage known networks](#)

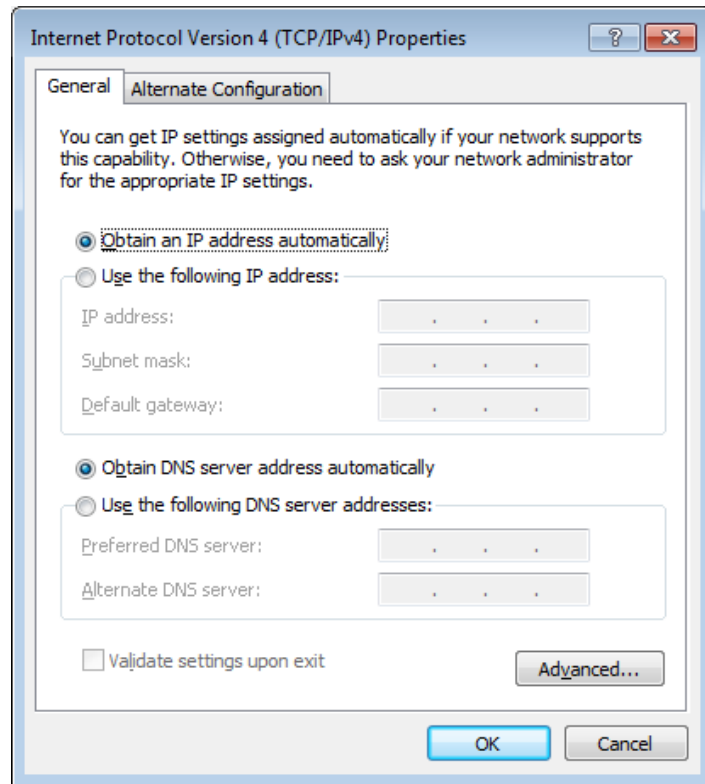
Network Connections in Windows 10



- Settings: Network & Internet
- Use to access Network and Sharing Center and Network Connections applets

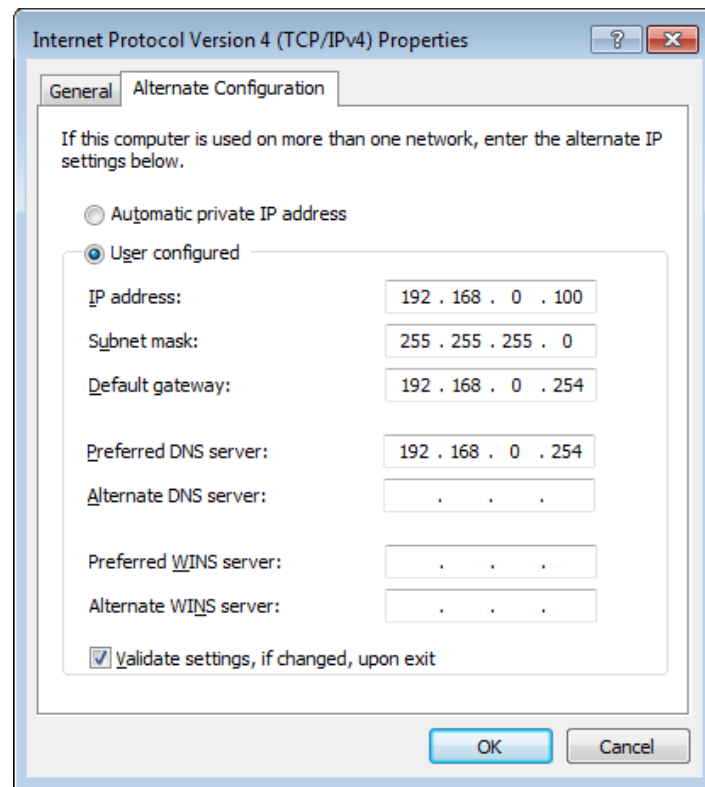
IP Address Configuration

- Configure wired and wireless through connection's Properties
- Default is dynamic IP
- Can configure a static IP address manually

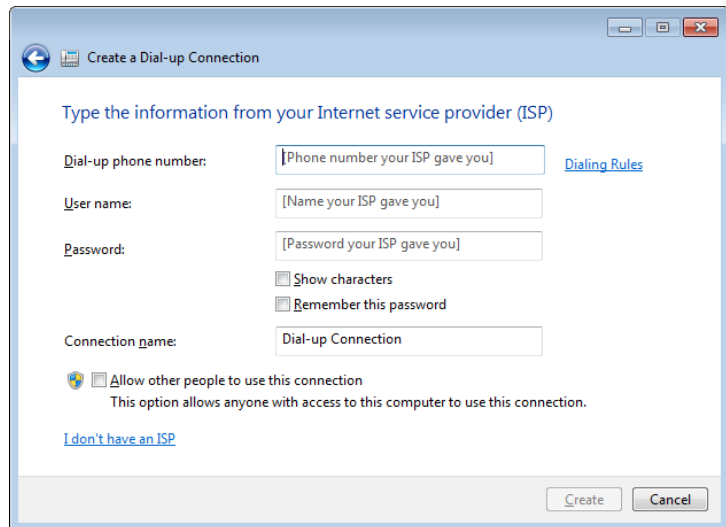


IP Address Configuration

- Select “Obtain an IP address automatically” for DHCP/APIPA
- Can set up alternate configuration if desired



Other Network Connections



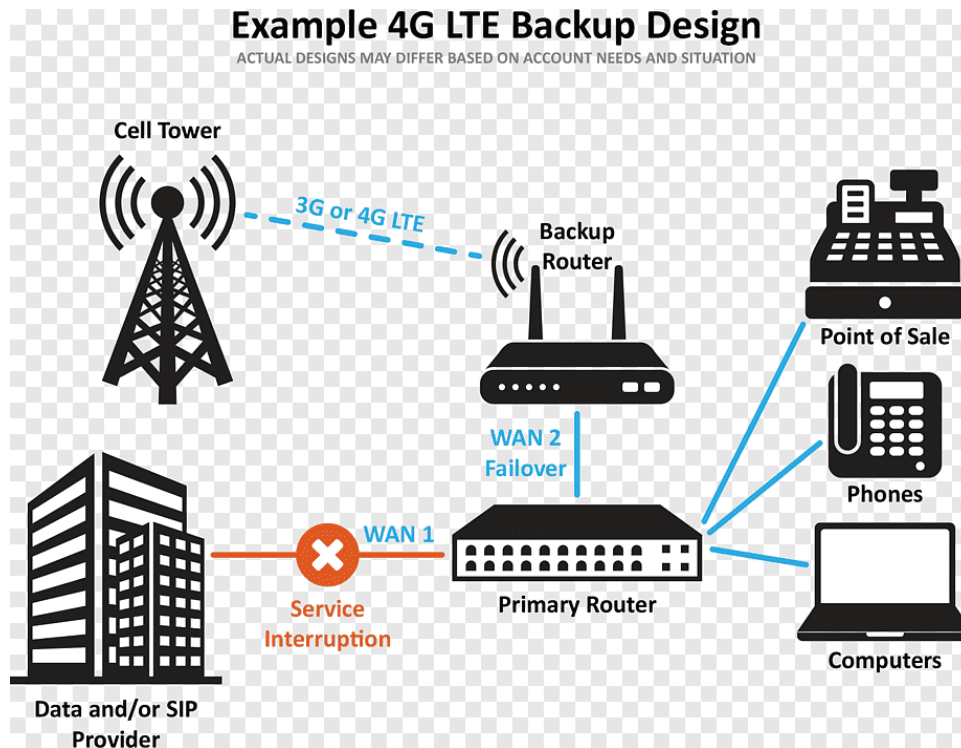
- SOHO router is typical; usually combines several functions
- Other connection options include dial-up
- Analog modem connects to ISP
- Use Set Up a Connection or Network to configure

Other Network Connections

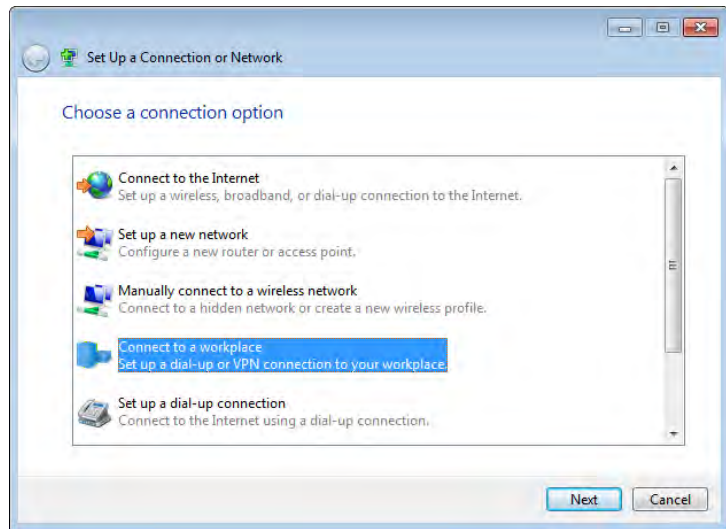
WAN cellular connects to a cell provider's network

Can be USB or internal

Install vendor software, plug in adapter, use software to view and configure



Other Network Connections



- VPN tunnels privately through network
- Windows supports several types; can configure in Network Connections
- Click network status icon to access

Discussing Network Connection

- A Windows computer is configured to use DHCP, but no DHCP server is available. The computer is not using an APIPA address either. Why is this?
- **ANSWER:**
 - It has been configured with an Alternate Configuration static IP address.



Discussing Network Connection

- You need to configure duplex settings on a network adapter manually. What steps do you need to follow?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Open **Device Manager** and the adapter's **Property** sheet. Select the **Advanced** tab and select the **Duplex** property (or **Speed and Duplex**). Change the value as required, and select **OK**.



Discussing Network Connection

- True or false? If you want a computer to be available through Wake-on-LAN, you can disconnect it from the power supply but must leave it connected to the network data port.
- **ANSWER:**
 - False. The network adapter must be connected to standby power, and the computer could not start anyway if it were disconnected from the power supply.



Discussing Network Connection

- **Why are IP addresses entered under DNS, and why should there be two of them?**
- **ANSWER:**
 - These are the IP addresses of DNS servers that will process client requests to resolve host and domain names to IP addresses.
 - DNS is a critical service on Windows networks and on the Internet, so a second server should always be specified for redundancy.

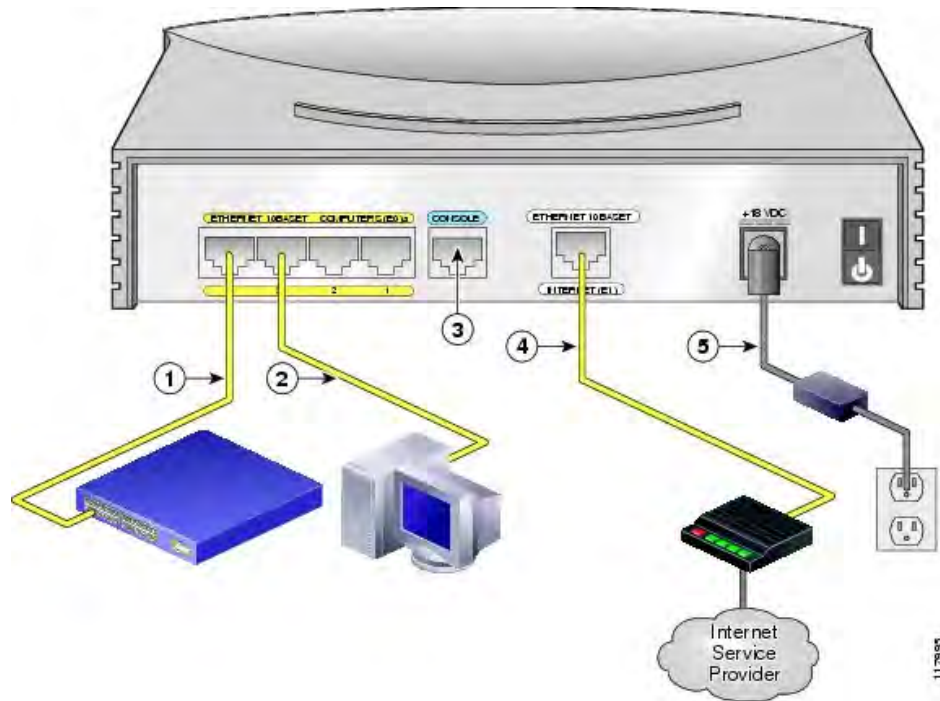


Discussing Network Connection

- What parameters do you need to specify to connect to a VPN?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Assuming you have a remote host topology, you need to establish a connection to a server over a public network such as the Internet.
 - The VPN server then facilitates a connection to a local network. You need to specify the location of the VPN server as an IP address or Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN). If the VPN type is not detected automatically, you might need to configure extra settings or use third-party VPN client software. To connect to the VPN, the user must submit credentials, such as a user name and password.

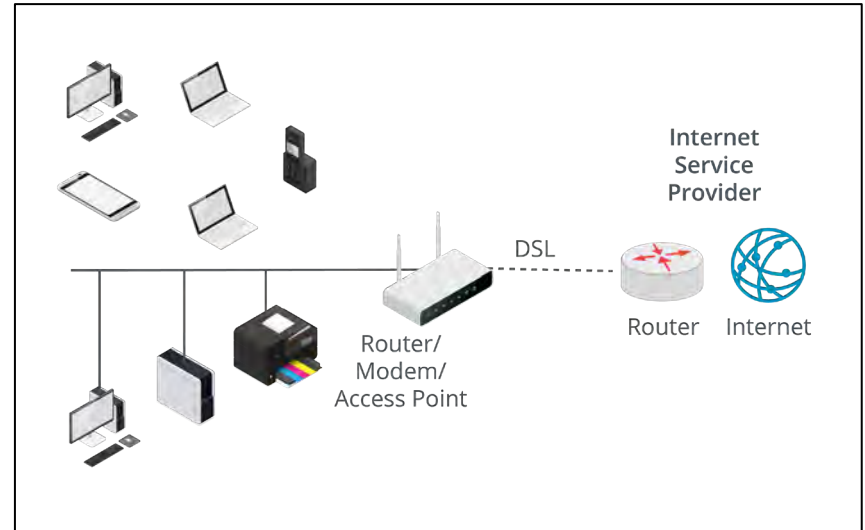


Topic B: Install and Configure SOHO Networks



SOHO Networks

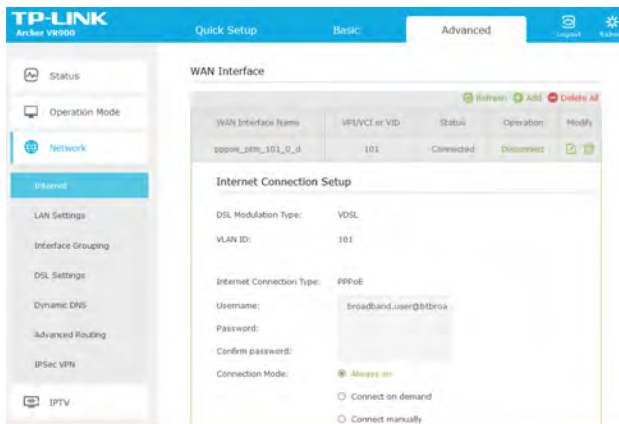
- Business network; may use centralized server as well as clients.
- Often uses single Internet device for connectivity.
- May be home/residential network as well.



SOHO Network Configuration (Slide 1 of 2)

SOHO installed on customer premises.

- Bundles several device types: Router, Switch, AP, DHCP, DNS, Firewall ex..
- Connect device to SOHO appliance to configure.
- Access management interface through browser.
- Change default password!
- Follow wizard interface to configure Internet access.



Wireless Settings

- Configure wireless settings; most hosts connect wirelessly.
- Adjust settings as appropriate:
 - Frequency band (2.4 GHz or 5 GHz)
 - SSID (name for WAN)
 - Security and encryption
 - Password (pre-shared key)
 - 802.11 mode
 - Channel/channel width

The screenshot shows the TP-Link Archer VR900 Advanced Wireless Settings page. The interface is in English and has tabs for Quick Setup, Basic, and Advanced. The Advanced tab is selected, and the Wireless Settings section is active. The page shows various configuration options for the wireless network, including enabling the wireless radio, setting the SSID, security, version, encryption, password, mode, channel, channel width, and transmit power. A 'Save' button is located at the bottom right of the settings area.

TP-LINK
Archer VR900

Quick Setup Basic **Advanced** English Logout Reboot

Wireless Settings 2.4GHz | 5GHz ?

Wireless Radio: ☒ Enable

Wireless Network Name (SSID): compbia_wlan ☐ Hide SSID

Security: WPA/WPA2 Personal (Recommended)

Version: ☐ Auto ☒ WPA2-PSK

Encryption: ☐ Auto ☐ TKIP ☒ AES

Password: 12345670

Mode: 802.11gn mixed

Channel: Auto

Channel Width: Auto

Transmit Power: ☐ Low ☐ Middle ☐ High

Save

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DHCP and IP Address Configuration

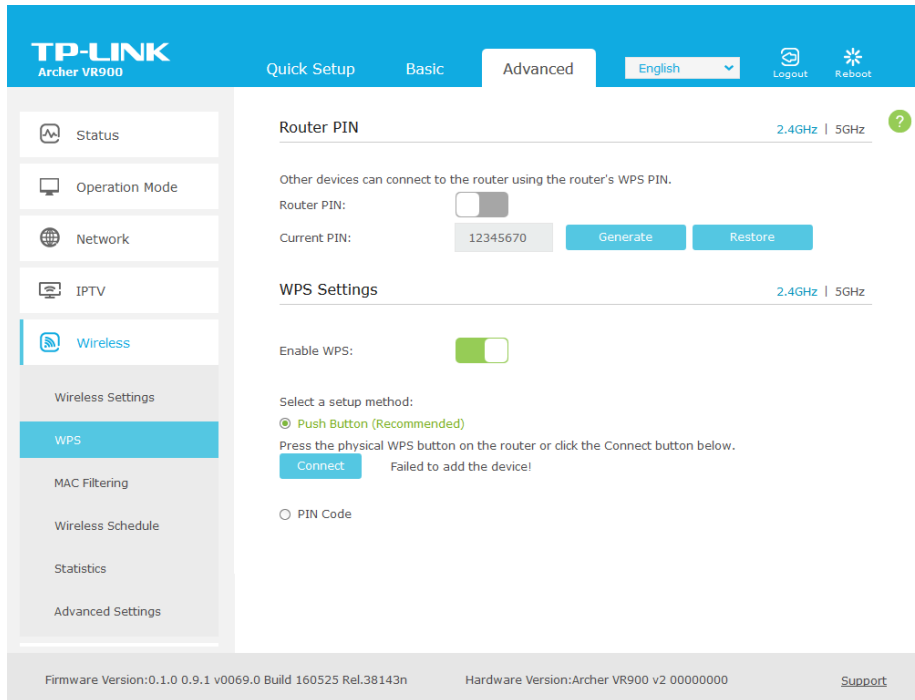
The screenshot shows the TP-Link Archer VR900 web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Quick Setup', 'Basic', and 'Advanced' tabs, with 'Advanced' selected. On the left sidebar, 'Network' is selected, and 'LAN Settings' is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'DHCP Server'. It shows the following configuration:

- IP Version: ☒ IPv4 ☐ IPv6
- MAC Address: 60:E3:27:CF:EA:CB
- LAN IPv4: 192.168.1.1
- Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- IGMP Snooping: ☒ Enable IGMP Snooping
- DHCP: ☒ Enable DHCP
- ☒ DHCP Server ☐ DHCP Relay
- IP Address Pool: 192.168.1.100 - 192.168.1.199
- Address Lease Time: 1440 minutes(1-2880)
- Default Gateway: 192.168.1.1 (Optional)
- Default Domain: (Optional)
- Primary DNS: 0.0.0.0 (Optional)
- Secondary DNS: 0.0.0.0 (Optional)

A green 'Save' button is located at the bottom right of the configuration area.

- May need to adjust **DHCP** server settings
- Enabled by default
- If you disable, IP addresses must be assigned manually
- Easy for attacker to determine scope

WPA2



- Simplifies secure access point setup.
- AP and all adapters must be WPA-capable.
- Pushbutton on device typically causes device and AP to associate automatically over WPA2.
- Generates random SSID and passphrase.

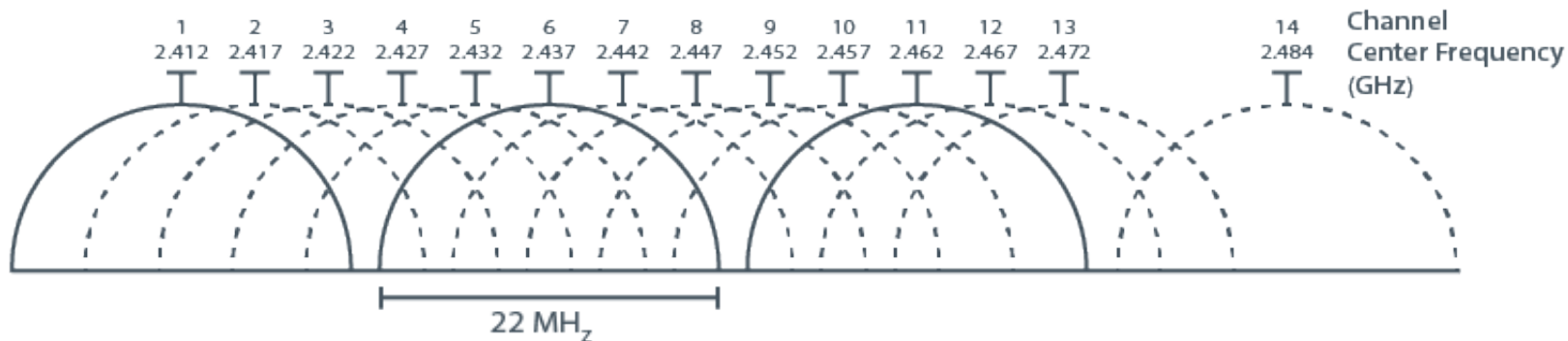
Access Point Placement

- Correct antenna and access point placement helps ensure robust network.
- AP placement made by provider's cabling location.
- Can use extenders.
- Site survey can help identify dead zones.

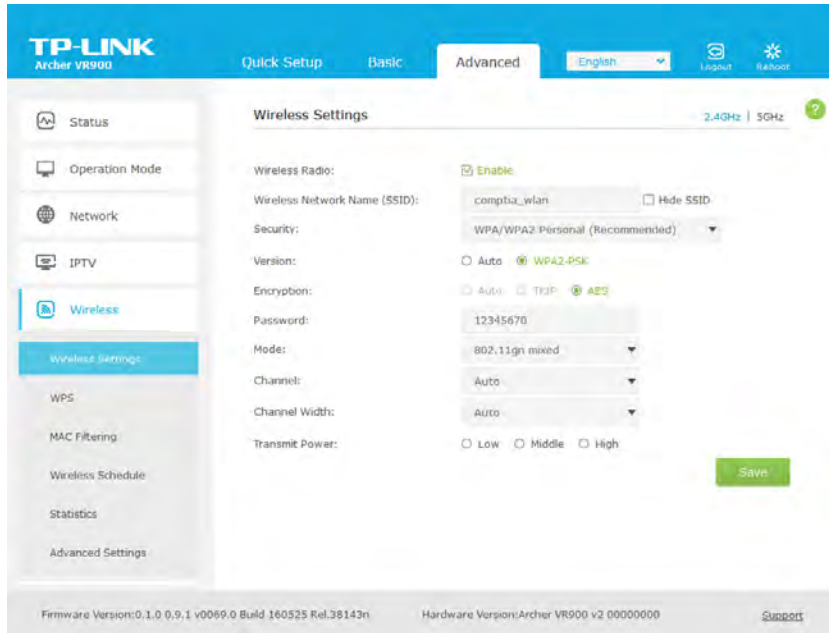


Channel Selection

- In US, 2.4 GHz band subdivided into 11 channels at 5 MHz intervals.
- Best to allow 25 MHz spacing for channels in active use.
- No more than 3 nearby APs can have non-overlapping channels(1,6,11)
- Newer APs detect least-congested channel at boot.
- Use spectrum analyzer to find least busy channels.



Radio Power Levels



- Can turn down AP power to prevent War Driving.
- May expose to “evil twin” attack if a rogue AP is detected first.
- Increasing power may also cause signal bouncing.
- Best to allow autonegotiation.

Wi-Fi Security Protocols (Slide 1 of 2)

- Wi-Fi requires careful security configuration
- Media “unguided;” RF scanner can intercept signals
- Encryption is crucial
- Cipher scrambles message; key decodes message
- Keep key secure



Wi-Fi Security Protocols

| Security Protocol | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| WEP | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legacy encryption system based on RC4 cipher• 64-bit or 128-bit key• Flaw in key production method; easy for attacker to generate key• Deprecated and should not be used |
| WPA WPA2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Based on RC4• Adds TKIP to fix security problem• WPA2 developed to meet 802.11i security standards• Use WPA2 whenever possible• If not supported by devices, use WPA |

Wi-Fi Authentication

| Authentication Mode | Description |
|---------------------|--|
| Personal | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Based on pre-shared key generated from passphrase.• Cannot completely secure distribution of key; on home network may not be secure passphrase; all users share key (no accounting); hard to change key.• Simple setup.• Only choice for WEP; can use with WPA/WPA2 on SOHO networks or workgroups. |
| Enterprise | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enterprise mode authentication in WPA/WPA2.• Authentication passed to RADIUS server.• Suitable for server-/domain-based networks. |

Common SOHO Security Issues

| Security Issue | Description |
|----------------------------|--|
| SSID | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simple name to identify the WAN• Change default SSID• Do not use personal information• Disable SSID broadcast• Enable encryption |
| Physical Security | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Restrict physical access to enterprise routers and switches• Attacker with physical access could reset to defaults, gain access |
| Updating Firmware | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keep Internet appliance firmware and driver up to date• Make sure power stays on during update process |
| Static IP Addresses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Static IP assignments will not deter a determined attack• Router/modem must have static IP to function as DHCP server/default gateway |

Latency & Jitter



Quality of Service (QoS): Using a network protocol to prioritize types of traffic

- Modern networks provide two-way communications (VoIP, video conferencing, gaming).
- Standard protocols sensitive to data loss, not delivery delay (latency/jitter).
- Real-time data applications sensitive to latency and jitter, not packet loss.
 - Latency: the time for a signal to reach recipient
 - Jitter: variation in delay (congestion, configuration problems).
- QoS:
 - Hard to guarantee on Internet.
 - Can be deployed on enterprise networks.

Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

- What type of cable and connectors are used to connect a modem to a phone port?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Twisted pair with RJ-11 connectors. In the UK, the phone port might use a BT-style connector though.



Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

- To configure a router/modem, what type of IP interface configuration should you apply to the computer you are using to access the device administration web app?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Set the adapter to obtain an IP address automatically.
 - The router/modem will be running a (DHCP) server that will allocate an appropriate IP address and DNS server.



Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

- What is the function of a microfilter?
- **ANSWER:**
 - It screens noise from data signals on jacks for voice or fax devices if DSL equipment is connected.



Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

- What is the effect of reducing transmit power when you are configuring an access point?
- **ANSWER:**
 - It reduces the supported range of the access point.
 - You might do this to prevent interference between two access points in proximity.
 - You might also reduce power to prevent the network being accessible outside.



Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

- How can QoS improve performance for SOHO Internet access?
- **ANSWER:**
 - A Quality of Service (QoS) mechanism allows you to elevate certain types of traffic to a higher priority to be processed by the router/modem.

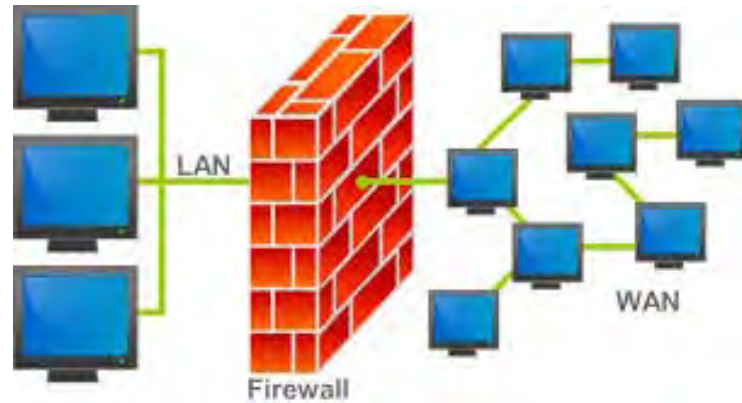
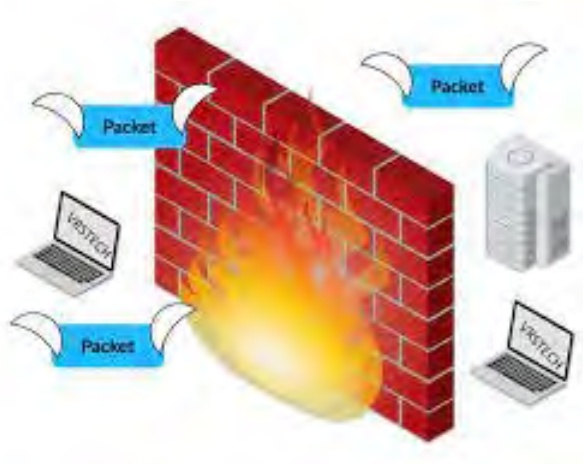


Discussing SOHO Network Installation and Configuration

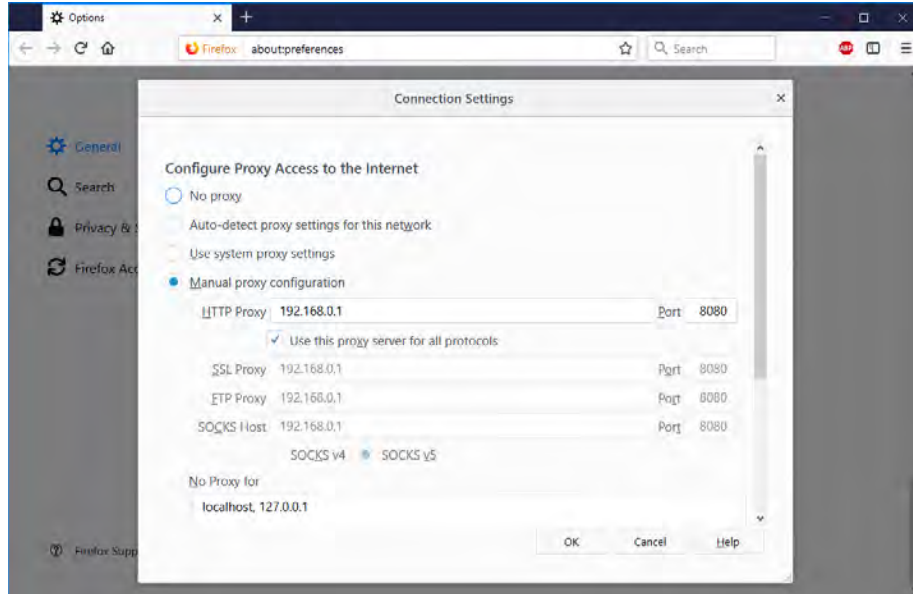
- Which standard represents the best available wireless network security?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Wi-Fi Protected Access version 2 (WPA2).
 - Enterprise mode is more secure. Each user connects with his or her network credential, which is validated by an authentication server (typically RADIUS).



Topic C: Configure SOHO Network Security



Proxy Servers



- User access from local network to Internet/websites:
 - Transparent proxy automatically intercepts requests
 - Non-transparent proxy requires client configuration with server IP address and proxy service port
- Can apply content filtering and time restrictions
- Caching function to improve performance

Spam Gateways and Unified Threat Management

- Network security functions
 - Firewalls
 - Intrusion detection systems (IDS)
 - Anti-virus/anti-malware solutions
 - Spam gateways
 - Content filters
 - Data leak/loss prevention (DLP) systems
- Unified Threat Management (UTM)
 - Single appliance/gateway that performs multiple security functions

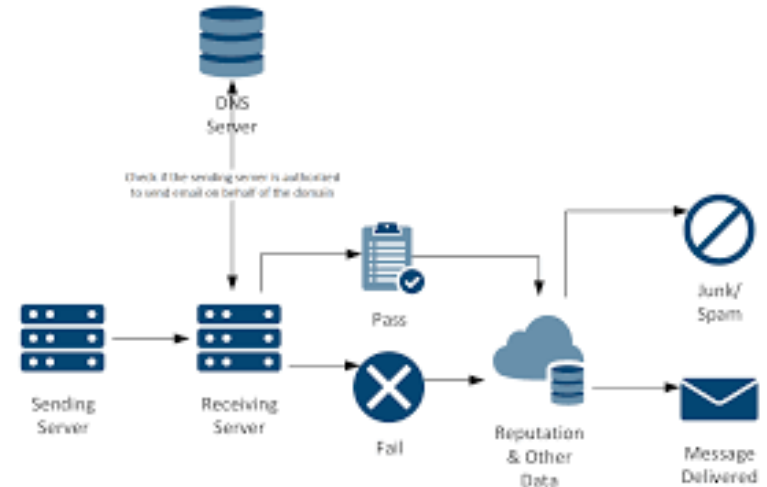
Unified Threat Management (UTM)

Security functions could be deployed as separate appliances or server applications, each with its own configuration and logging/reporting system.

- Unified Threat Management (UTM)
 - Single appliance/gateway that performs multiple security functions.
 - UTM centralizes the threat management service, providing simpler configuration and reporting compared to isolated applications spread across several servers or devices.

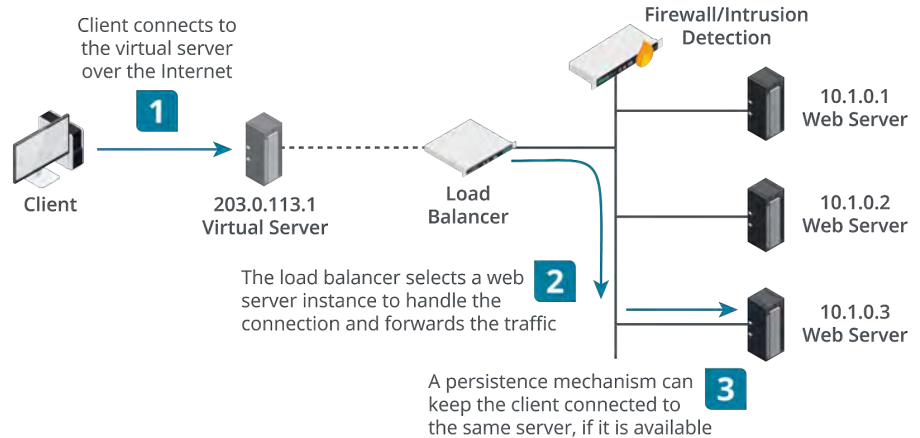
Spam Gateways

- Spam gateways: Use SPF, DKIM, and DMARC to verify the authenticity of mail servers and are configured with filters that can identify spoofed, misleading, malicious, or otherwise unwanted messages.
- Unified Threat Management (UTM)
 - Single appliance/gateway that performs multiple security functions



Load Balancers

- Distribute client requests between servers.
- Inbound client requests
 - Web, DNS, and mail servers and filtering.
 - Virtual server address



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Legacy Systems

- Legacy systems
 - Vendor is no longer active
 - Product is deprecated by vendor as End of Life (EOL)
- Lack of support
- Risks from unpatchable vulnerabilities

Used for backwards compatibility with:

- Programs
- Equipment



Embedded Systems and SCADA

SCADA / ICS

- Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA)
 - SCADA PCs used to monitor multiple-site ICSs
 - Industrial Control Systems (ICS) Large-scale, multi-site
- Embedded systems designed to perform a specific, dedicated function.
 - Water pressure-rate meter
 - Large and complex as an industrial electric plant.
 - Operate within a closed network



Embedded Systems and SCADA

important

Workflow and process automation systems:

- Industrial control system (ICS) –Does the process automation
Programmable logic controller (PLC):
 - PLCs are linked by a cabled network to actuators that operate valves, motors, Temp gages, and sensors

Operational technology (OT) network:

- Is a reference to An embedded system network to distinguish it from an IT network

Human-machine interfaces (HMI) :

- Output and configuration of a PLC is done by HMI

Embedded Systems and SCADA

Workflow and process automation systems:

PLCs are connected within a control loop, and the whole process automation system can be governed by a control server.

- Another important concept is the data historian, which is a database of all the information generated by the control loop.

Firewalls

Many types and implementations

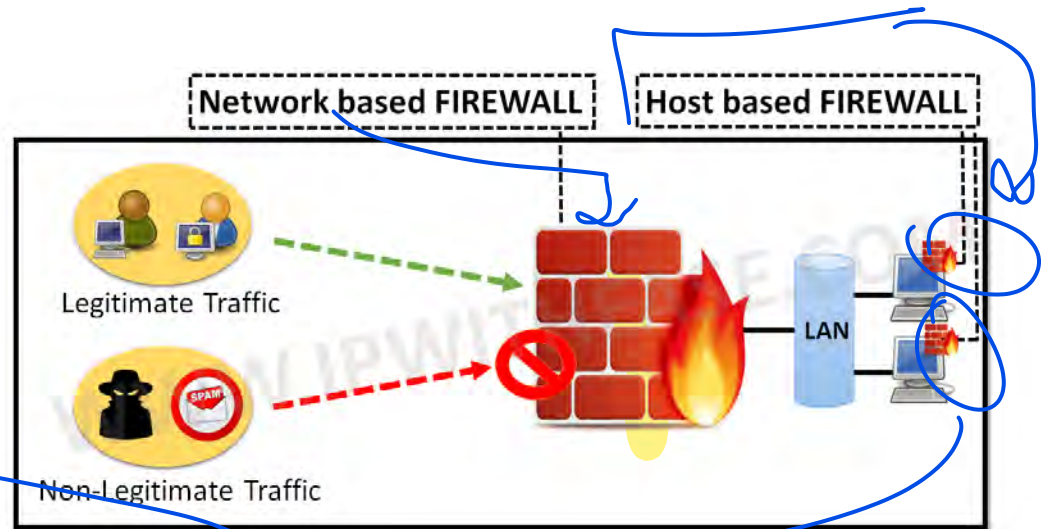
Primary distinction:

Network firewall:

Inline on the network
Inspects all traffic

Host firewall:

Installed on host
Inspects traffic to that host



Firewalls

| Firewall Type | Description |
|------------------|--|
| Packet Filtering | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Earliest type; all firewalls capable of this function• Inspects IP packet headers, accepts or drops based on rules• Filtering rules based on:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IP filtering• Protocol ID/type• Port filtering/security• Configure ACL |
| Host Firewall | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Software on individual host; may be in addition to network firewall• Can do packet filtering• Can also grant/deny access based on software programs, services/processes, and users• Two firewalls increase security; more complex to configure and troubleshoot |

Firewall Settings

| Firewall Setting | Description |
|--|--|
| Disabling Ports | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only enable required services; can remove service at the host.• May want service available locally but not on Internet.• Configure firewall ACL to block the port, or block by default rule. |
| MAC Filtering | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Firewalls, switches, and APs can whitelist/blacklist MAC addresses.• Can be time-consuming, but good security option for SOHO networks. |
| Content Filtering / Parental Controls | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blocks websites and services based on keywords, ratings, or classification.• Can restrict times.• ISP-enforced filters cannot distinguish account types.• Filters can also be enforced by OS. |
| Whitelists / Blacklists | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blacklists document URLs known to harbor specific undesired content.• Whitelists document sites that will be accessible even if filter is applied. |

Firewall Settings

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Archer VR900

Quick SetupBasicAdvancedEnglishLogoutReboot

NAT Forwarding

USB Settings

Parental Controls

Bandwidth Control

Security

System Tools

Parental Controls

Status: ☒

Devices Under Parental Controls

The Effective Time is based on the time of the router. The time can be set in "Advanced > System Tools > Time Settings"

RefreshAddDelete

| <input type="checkbox"/> | ID | Device Name | MAC Address | Effective Time | Description | Status | Modify |
|--------------------------|----|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 | MyDeviceTest | 00:19:E0:02:03:04 | | test allow time | | |

Content Restriction

Restriction Type: ☒ Blacklist ☐ Whitelist

+ Add a New Keyword

facebook -

Save

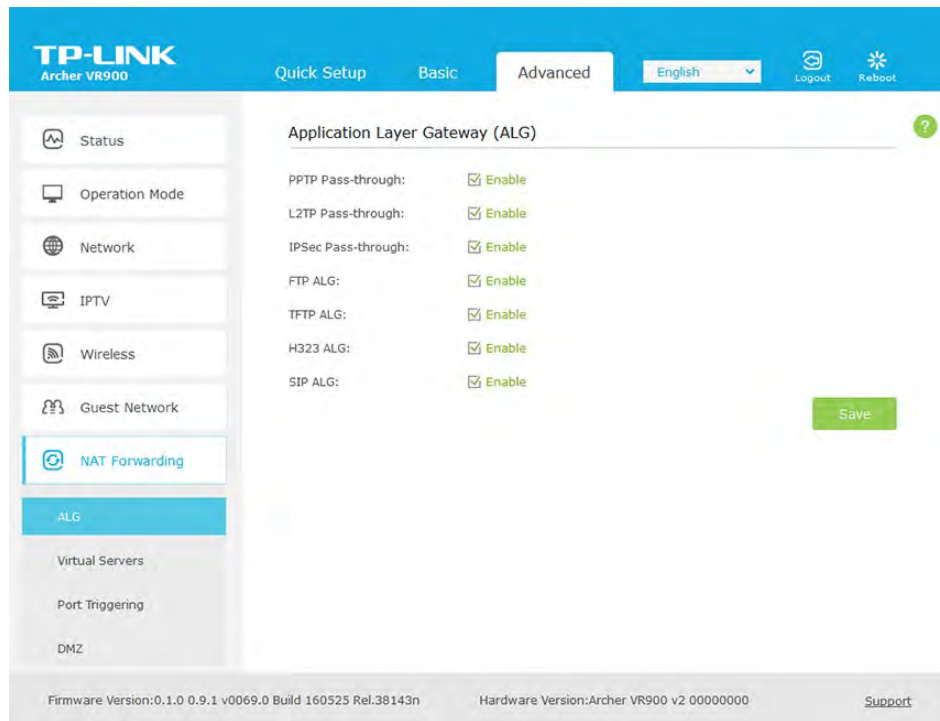
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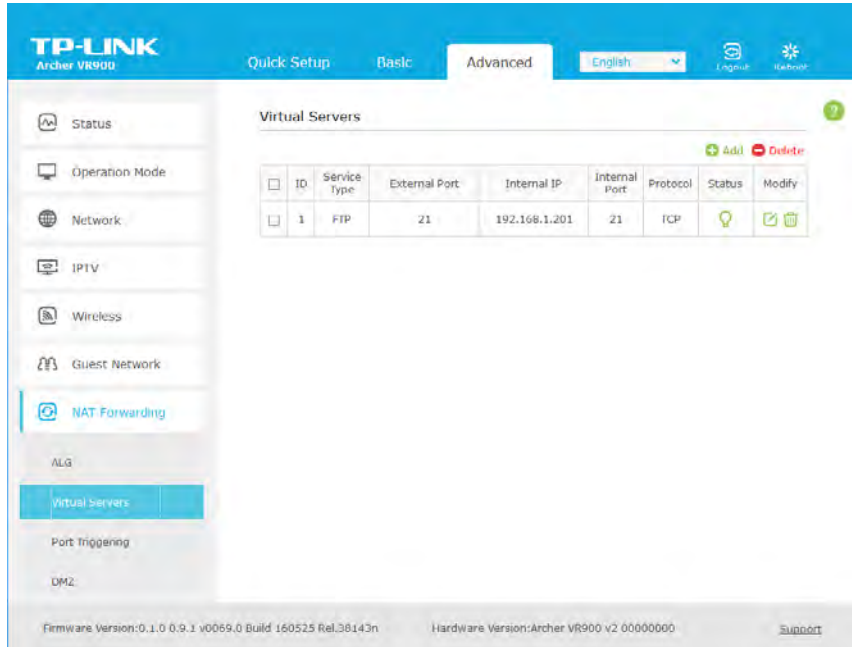
Support

NAT

- All routers/modems use NAT
- Router has single public address; clients use local private addresses
- Router translates between Internet and host
- Usually auto-configured
- Some protocols may need ALG to open ports dynamically



Port Forwarding and Port Triggering

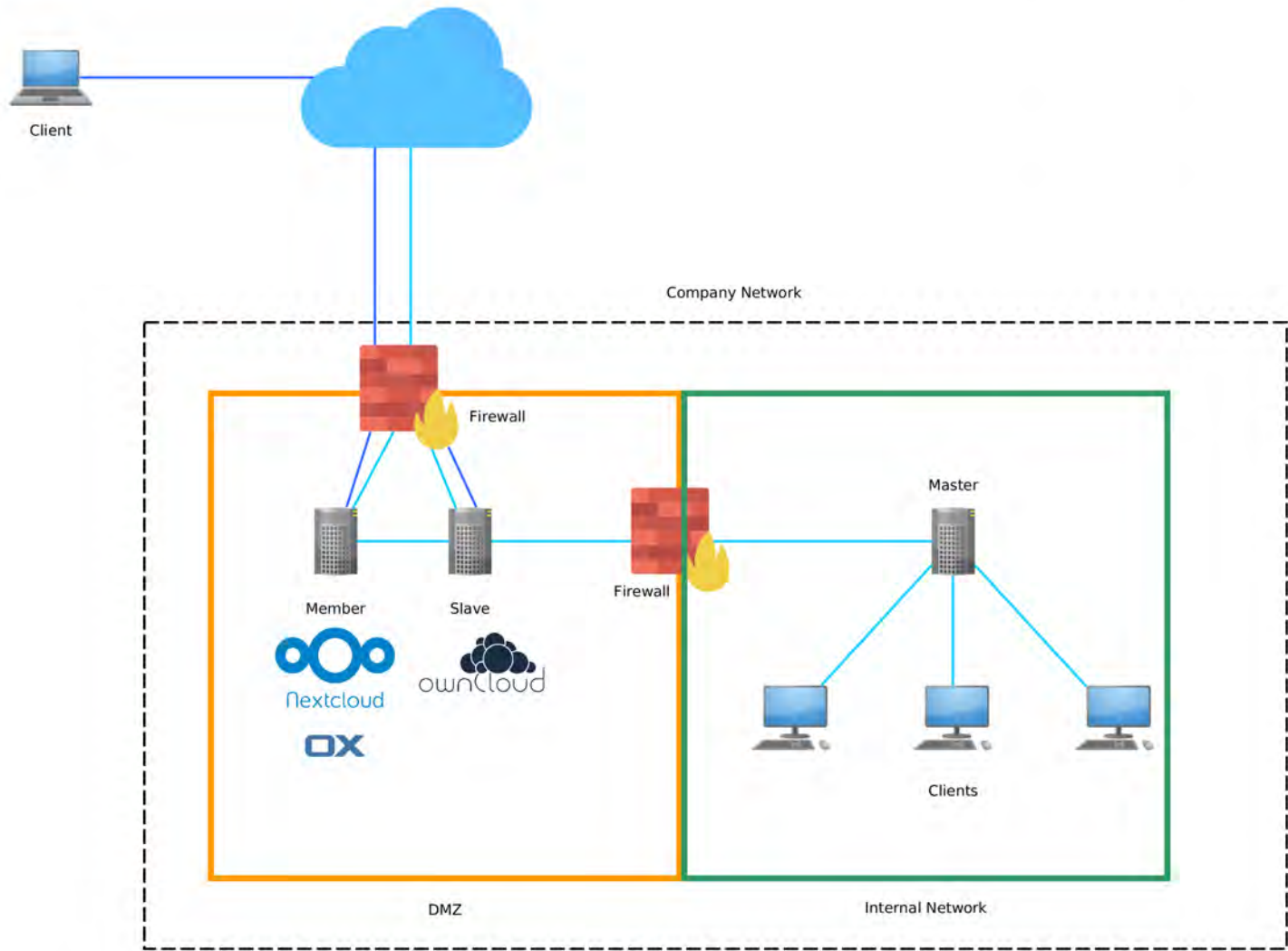


- Internet hosts only see router's public address.
- Configure port forwarding/DNAT if running an Internet-facing service on your internal network.
- Router transmits Internet requests to a given port to a designated internal host.
- Port triggering is for applications using multiple ports.

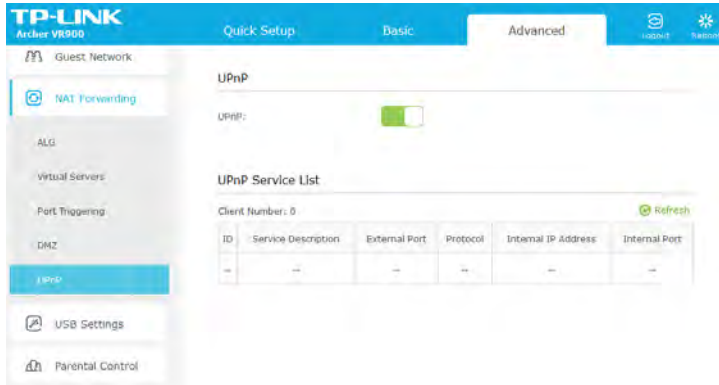
DMZ

- If internal server is exposed to Internet, consider local network security; compromised server can expose LAN to attacks.
- Enterprise networks use DMZ; hosts in DMZ are not trusted by local network.
- Traffic from Internet cannot access local network through DMZ.
- SOHO vendors' "DMZ" = LAN computer that receives all Internet communications not forwarded to other hosts.

DMZ



Universal Plug-and-Play



- Users may be tempted to turn off firewall if configuration is complex. Services requiring complex configuration can use UPnP to instruct firewall with correct configuration.
- Does have security vulnerabilities:
 - Use only if required.
 - Don't let UPnP accept Internet requests.
 - Keep firmware, security advisories up to date.

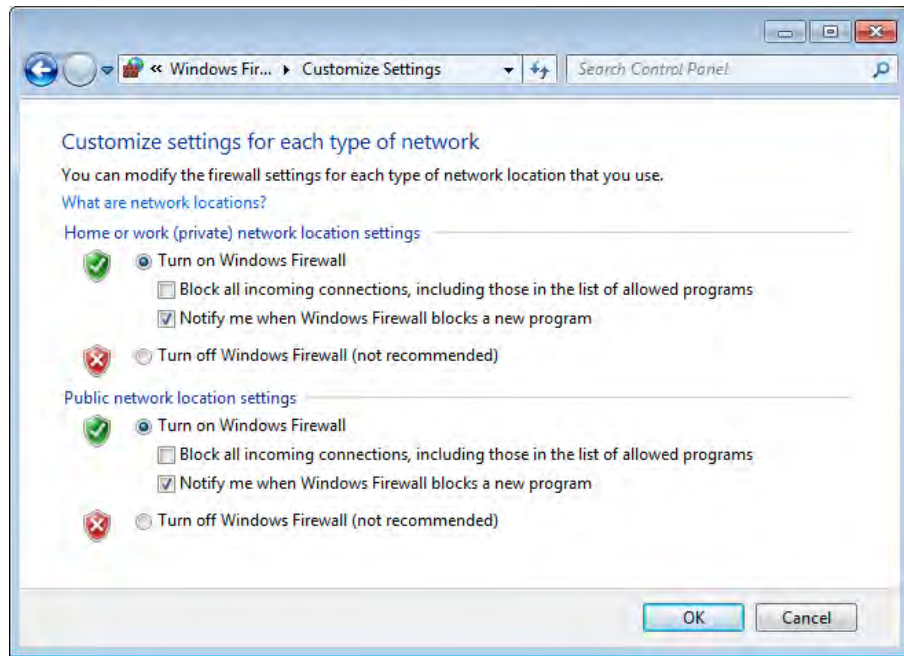
Windows Firewall



Each version has
become more
advanced

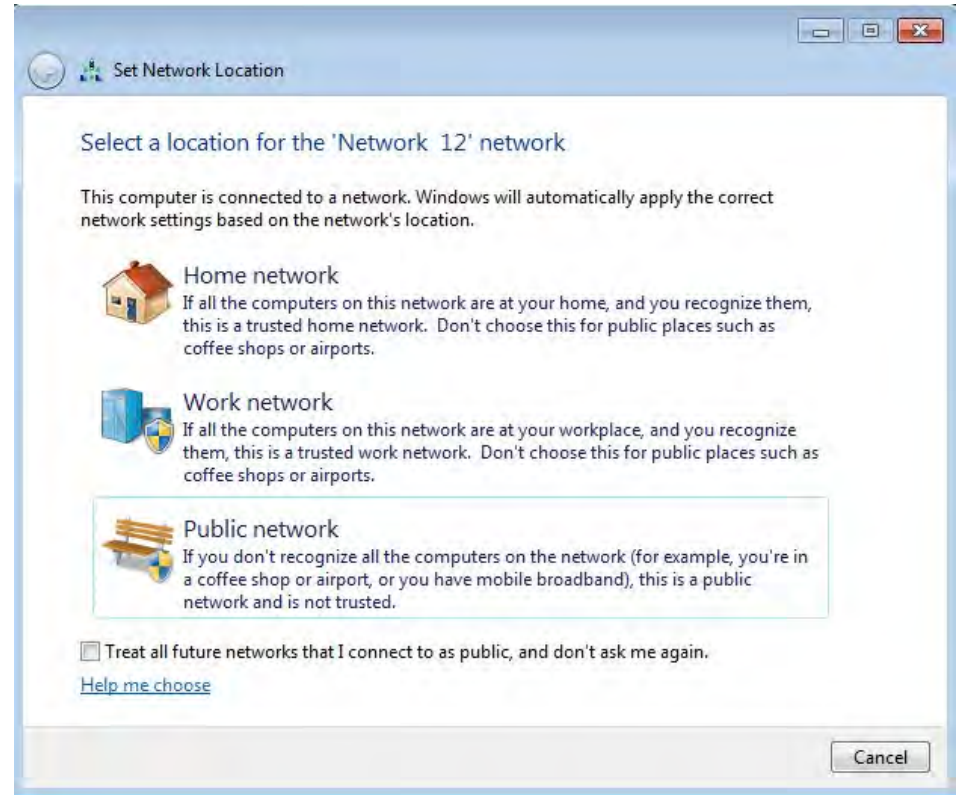


Configure in Control
Panel



Location Awareness

- Set location (Home, Work, Public, Domain).
- Use Network and Sharing Center to change location.
- In Windows 8/Windows 10, networks are either public or private.
- Change using Settings app.



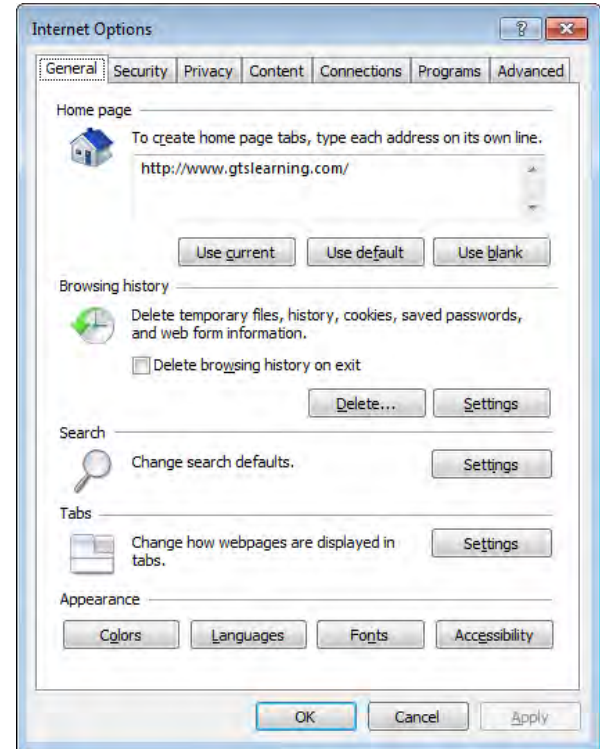
Browser Configuration

Browser is very important software, for browsing and as app interface.

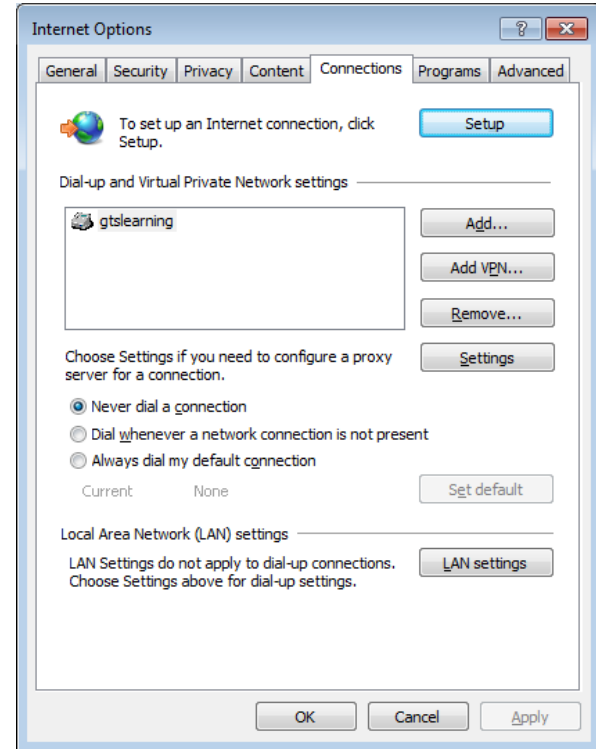
Internet Explorer has been dominant, but other browsers have similar configurations.

General settings include home pages, browsing history, etc.

Clear browsing history on public computer.



Browser Configuration



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- You are recommending that a small business owner replace separate firewall and antimalware appliances with a UTM. What is the principal advantage of doing this??
- **ANSWER:**
- A unified threat management (UTM) appliance consolidates the configuration, monitoring, and reporting of multiple security functions to a single console or dashboard.



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- You are setting up a games console on a home network. What feature on the router will simplify configuration of online multiplayer gaming?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Universal Plug and Play (UPnP).



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- You are advising a customer about replacing the basic network address translation (NAT) function performed by a SOHO router with a device that can work as a proxy. The customer understands the security advantages of this configuration. What other benefit can it have?
- **ANSWER:**
- The proxy can be configured to cache data that is commonly requested by multiple clients, reducing bandwidth consumption and speeding up requests.



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- A network owner has configured three web servers to host a website. What device can be deployed to allow them to work together to service client requests more quickly?
- **ANSWER:**
- A load balancer..



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- You are writing an advisory to identify training requirements for support staff and have included OT networks as one area not currently covered.
- Another technician thinks you should have written IT. Are they correct??
- **ANSWER:**
- No. Operational technology (OT) refers to networks that connect embedded systems in industrial and process automation systems.



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- You are auditing your network for the presence of legacy systems. Should you focus exclusively on identifying devices and software whose vendor has gone out of business?
- **ANSWER:**
- No. While this can be one reason for products becoming unsupported, vendors can also deprecate use of products that they will no longer support by classifying them as end of life (EOL).



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- What security method could you use to allow only specific hosts to connect to a SOHO router/modem?
- **ANSWER:**
 - You could configure a whitelist of permitted Media Access Control (MAC) addresses.



Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- A user wants to be able to access an FTP server installed on a computer on their home network from the Internet. The home network is connected to the Internet by a DSL router. How would you enable access?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Configure **port forwarding** on the router to send incoming connections on port 21 to the LAN computer.

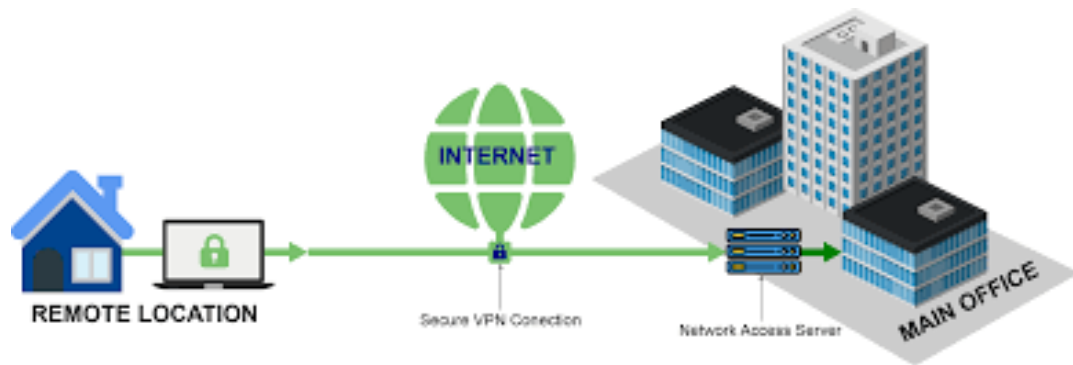


Network Security & Embedded Appliances

- What option on the General tab of the Internet Options dialog box is most relevant to user privacy?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Delete browsing history.




Topic D: Configure Remote Access



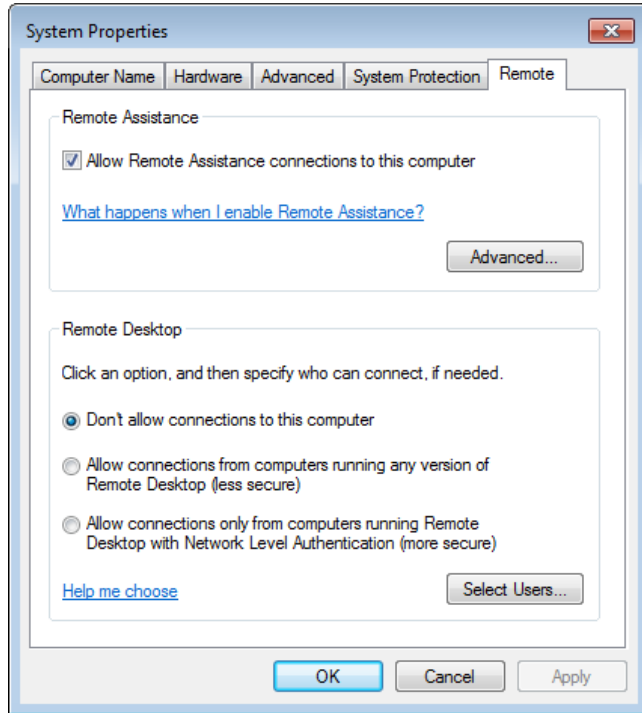
Windows Remote Access Tools

Microsoft's protocol for operating remote GUI connections to a Windows machine.

TEST

| Tool | Description |
|--|---|
| Remote Desktop  | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows user to connect to desktop remotely• Desktop machine = terminal server; connecting machine = Windows terminal• Good for home workers• Can also be used for troubleshooting• TCP port 3389 |
| Remote Assistance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows user to request help from technician• Helper can join user session, take control of desktop• Port assigned dynamically from ephemeral range; intended for local support, not to pass through firewalls |

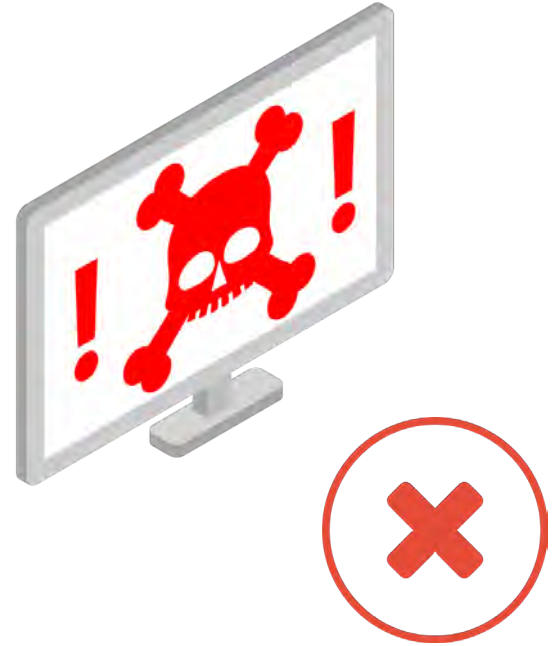
Remote Settings Configuration



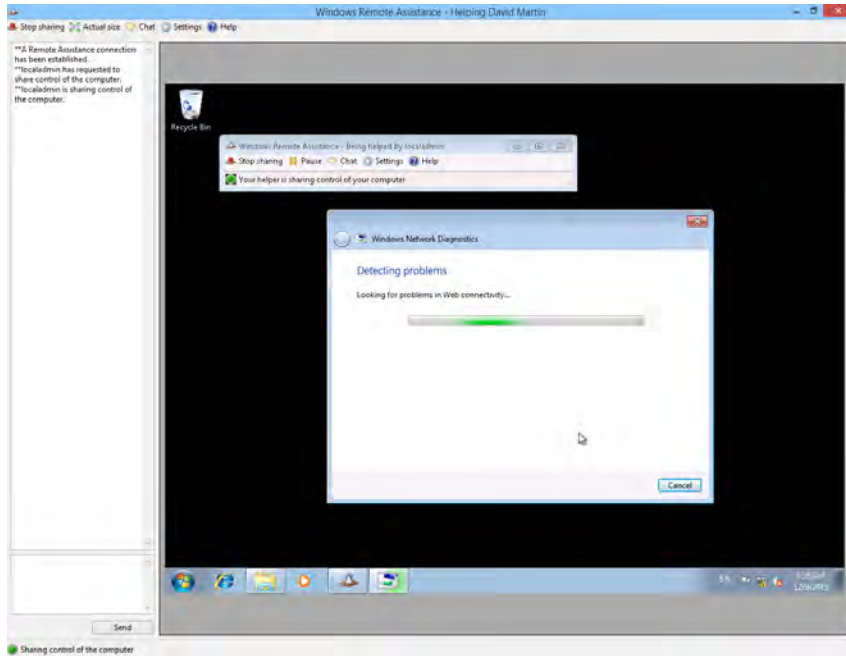
- Remote Assistance allowed by default; **Remote Desktop is not**
- Configure in System Properties/Remote Settings
- RDP authentication/session data always encrypted
- Define which users can connect remotely (local or domain accounts)

Remote Credential Guard

- Remote Desktop credentials are vulnerable on machine compromised by malware.
- RDPRA Mode (RDP restricted admin mode)
- Remote Credential Guard mitigate this risk.



The Remote Assistance Process



- Remote Assistance request placed with Remote Assistance tool (file, email, or **Easy Connect**).
- **Helper** opens invitation file and waits for user to accept offer.
- Remote Desktop window and chat tool open.
- Remote Assistance session encrypted, same as RDP.

Remote Desktop

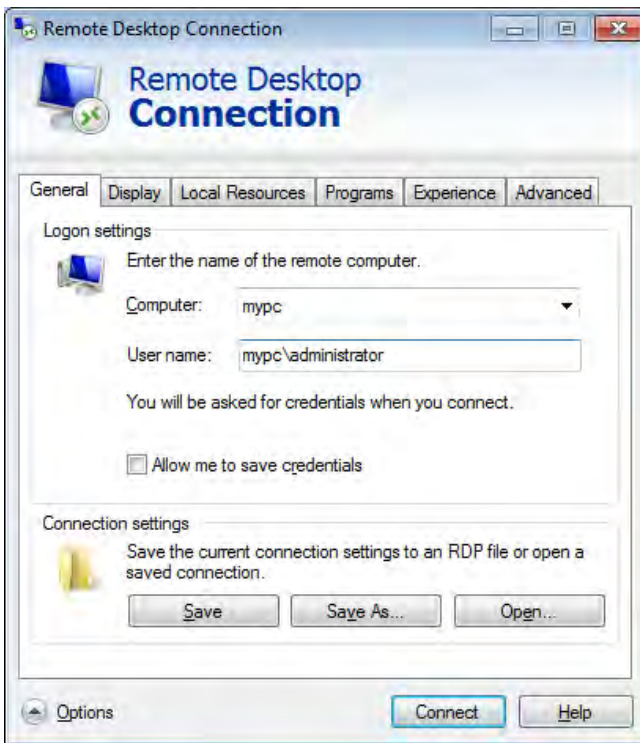
Open via the **Communications** menu in **Accessories** or by typing **mstsc** at a **command prompt**.

Enter the server's computer name or IP address to connect.

You will need to **define logon credentials**.

Use the format
ComputerOrDomainName\UserName

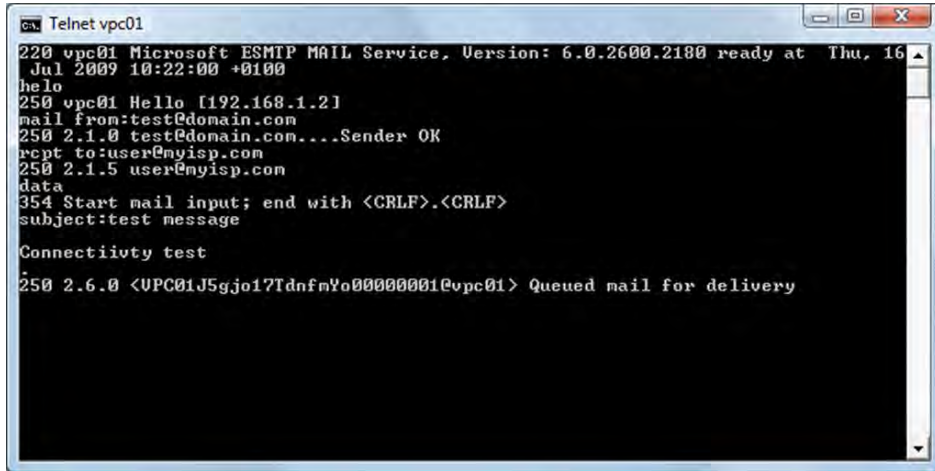
No one else can use the target system while in remote mode.



Remote Access Technologies

- RDP Microsoft's protocol for operating remote GUI
- connections to a Windows machine.
- Can connect from Linux, macOS, iOS, or Android to Windows RDP server using `mstsc` client.
- Use other protocols and software for incoming connections to non-Windows devices.

Telnet



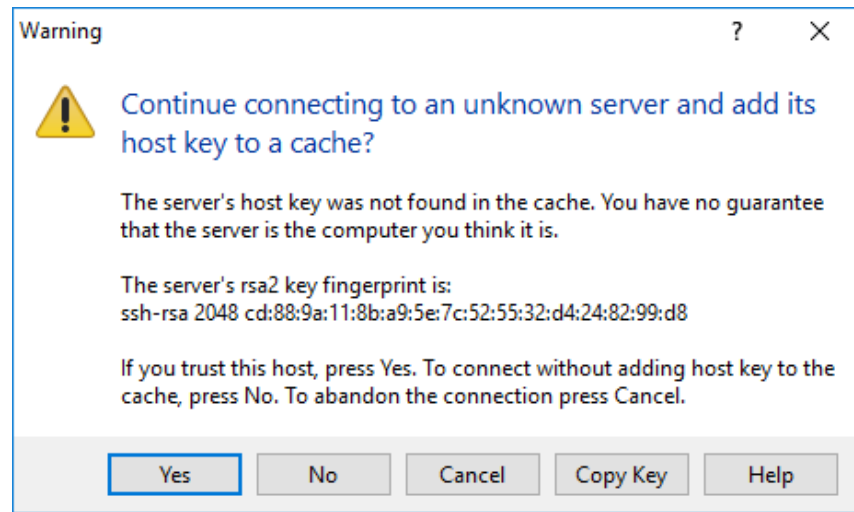
```
ca: Telnet vpc01
220 vpc01 Microsoft SMTP MAIL Service, Version: 6.0.2600.2100 ready at Thu, 16
Jul 2009 10:22:00 +0100
helo
250 vpc01 Hello [192.168.1.21]
mail from:test@domain.com
250 2.1.0 test@domain.com....Sender OK
rcpt to:user@myisp.com
250 2.1.5 user@myisp.com
data
354 Start mail input; end with <CRLF>.<CRLF>
subject:test message

Connectiivty test
250 2.6.0 <UPC01J5gjo17TdntmYo00000001@vpc01> Queued mail for delivery
```

- Telnet is both a protocol and a terminal emulation software tool that transmits shell commands in and output between a client and the remote host.
- A Telnet server
- listens on port TCP/23 by default.

SSH

- SSH: The principal means of obtaining secure remote access to
- UNIX and Linux servers and to most types of network appliances (switches, routers, and firewalls).
- Replaces unsecure administration and file copy programs (Telnet, FTP)
- SSH can be used for SFTP and to achieve many other network configurations.
- Uses TCP port 22, Encrypts each session
- SSH servers identified by public/private key pairs



SSH

- **Server's host key** used to set up secure channel for SSH client authentication
- Various authentication methods possible; can be enabled/disabled as needed:
 - Username/password
 - Kerberos
 - Host-based
 - Public key

Screen Sharing and VNC

- In MacOS, use Screen Sharing for remote desktop
 - Based on VNC
 - Can use any VNC client
 - Encrypted
- VNC itself is freeware
 - Similar to RDP
 - TCP port 5900
 - Freeware versions have no connection security
 - Commercial products include encryption solutions

File Share

- Network file sharing can be complex (file sharing protocol; permissions; user accounts)
- Vendors offer simple file sharing options:
 - AirDrop (Apple iOS/macOS)
 - NearShare (Microsoft)
 - Third-party and open-source alternatives
- Products include security, but always potential for misuse
- Only accept requests from known contacts
- Security vulnerabilities may allow unsolicited transfers



Discussing Remote Access Configuration

- Which edition(s) of Windows support connecting to the local machine over Remote Desktop?
- **ANSWER:**
 - The Remote Desktop server functionality is available in Professional, Enterprise, and Ultimate editions.



Discussing Remote Access Configuration

- What is the goal of RDP Restricted Admin (RDPRA) Mode and Remote Credential Guard?
- **ANSWER:**
 - If the local machine is compromised, malware may be able to obtain the credentials of a user account connecting to the machine over Remote Desktop. RDPRA Mode and Remote Credential Guard are designed to mitigate this risk.



Discussing Remote Access Configuration

- True or false? SSH is not available for use with Windows.
- **ANSWER:**
 - False. Support for an SSH client and server is being included in feature updates to Windows 10, and there are numerous commercial and open source products.



Discussing Remote Access Configuration

- How can you confirm that you are connecting to a legitimate SSH server?
- **ANSWER:**
 - The server displays its host key on connection. You need to keep a record of valid host keys and compare the key presented by the server to the record you have.



Topic E: Troubleshoot Network Connections



Common Wired Network Connectivity Issues

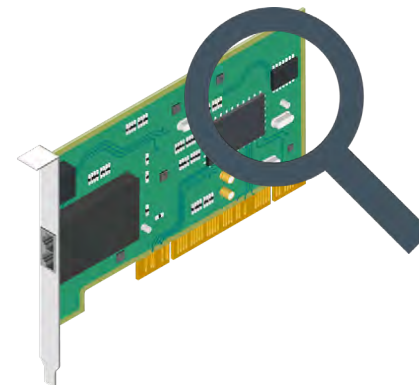
Identify the problem

- NIC port > Patch Cord > Wall Port > Structured Cable > Patch Panel > Switch Port
- Complete loss of connectivity or intermittent loss of connectivity
- Verify patch cords using known good examples or cable tester
- Verify network ports using a loopback adapter
- Verify permanent link using a cable tester
- Verify switch interface configuration or consider updating NIC driver



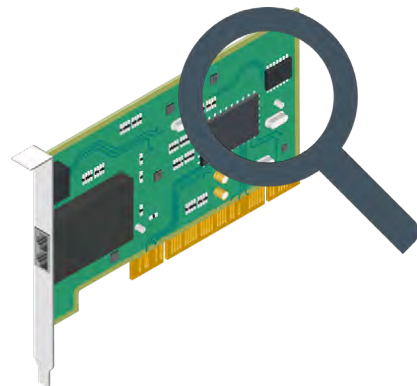
Common Wired Network Connectivity Issues

- Troubleshoot slow transfer speeds:
 - Check network adapter driver configuration
 - Check setting for switch port
- Check for:
 - Switch or router congestion or network-wide problem
 - Adapter driver issues
 - Malware
 - Interference on network cabling



Common Wired Network Connectivity Issues

- Rule out hardware-layer connectivity (cable connection)
- Troubleshoot wired connectivity:
 - Test with ping
 - Verify patch cord between host/panel and panel/switch
 - Connect a different host
 - Verify network adapter link properties
 - Connect to a different port
 - Check the switch (if multiple users)
 - Use cable testing tools



Common Wireless Network Connectivity Issues

- Consider problems with physical media, configuration:
 - RF signal weakens with distance
 - Check security and authentication configuration
- Configuration issues:
 - If in range, check SSID mismatch or SSID broadcast
 - Standards mismatch
 - Dual-band support
- Signal issues:
 - Channel interference
 - Signal blocking



Common Wireless Network Connectivity Issues

Poor VoIP quality *voice Over ip*

- High speed and low latency
 - Real-time applications are demanding
- Check the Internet connection
 - A speed test can identify slow links
- Verify the local networking equipment
 - An old router can cause significant problems
- View the network performance
 - A packet capture would be useful



Common Wireless Network Connectivity Issues

Use Wi-Fi analyzer

Site survey can:

Identify sources of
interference problems

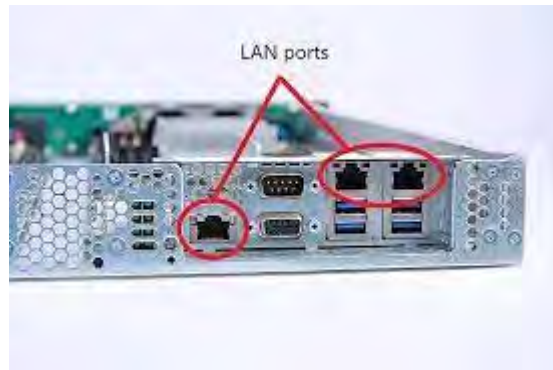
Measure signal
strength

Identify congested
channels



Troubleshooting Troubleshoot Port Flapping Issues

- Port flapping: Is intermittent connectivity
Causes:
 - Bad cabling
 - External interference
 - A faulty NIC at the host
- You can use the switch configuration interface to report how long a port remains in the up state.



Troubleshooting Network Connections

- Windows includes several utilities you can use to troubleshoot networking problems:
 - ping
 - ipconfig
 - nslookup
 - tracert
 - Two net commands
 - netstat



IP Configuration Issues

- If host IP configuration is incorrect it will not be able to communicate
- Use ipconfig at command line
- Typical switches:
 - /all
 - /release
 - /renew
 - /displaydns
 - /flushdns

IP Configuration Issues

1. network

```
C:\Users\Admin>ipconfig /all

Windows IP Configuration

Host Name . . . . . : ROGUE
Primary Dns Suffix . . . . . :
Node Type . . . . . : Hybrid
IP Routing Enabled. . . . . : No
WINS Proxy Enabled. . . . . : No
DNS Suffix Search List. . . . . : classroom.local


Ethernet adapter Ethernet:

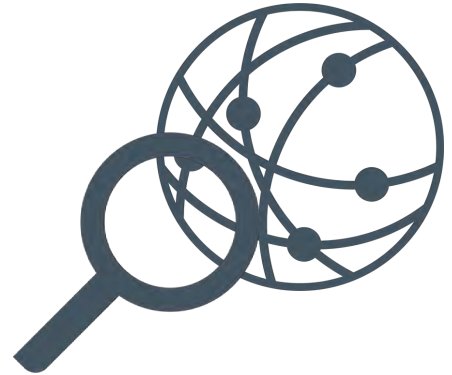
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : classroom.local
Description . . . . . : Microsoft Hyper-V Network Adapter
Physical Address. . . . . : 00-15-5D-01-CA-0E
DHCP Enabled. . . . . : Yes
Autoconfiguration Enabled . . . . : Yes
IPv4 Address. . . . . : 10.1.0.131(Preferred)
Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
Lease Obtained. . . . . : Wednesday, January 4, 2017 2:40:05 AM
Lease Expires . . . . . : Thursday, January 12, 2017 2:40:03 AM
Default Gateway . . . . . : 10.1.0.254
DHCP Server . . . . . : 10.1.0.1
DNS Servers . . . . . : 10.1.0.1
NetBIOS over Tcpip. . . . . : Enabled
```

- Use **ipconfig** to test adapter configuration:
 - Static or DHCP? If DHCP, correct parameters?
- If configuration is correct, check for:
 - Communication with DHCP server
 - Configuration with DHCP server
 - Multiple conflicting DHCP servers
- On Linux, use **ifconfig**; some different functionality

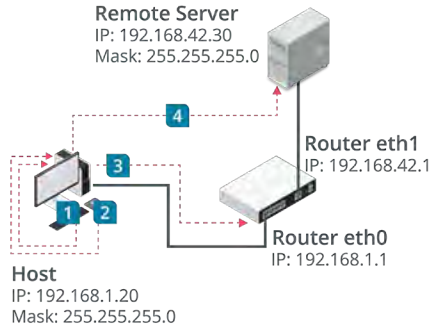
IP Connectivity Issues

Link and IP correct

- If link and IP are correct, problem may be in network topology.
- Test connections by trying to use resources (but doesn't eliminate application fault).
- Use other connectivity tests:
 - Ping
 - DNS testing
 - IP conflict



IP Connectivity Issues



```
C:\>ping 127.0.0.1

Pinging 127.0.0.1 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 127.0.0.1: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128
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Ping statistics for 127.0.0.1:
    Packets: Sent= 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% lost),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

C:\>ping 192.168.101.100

Pinging 192.168.101.100 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 192.168.101.100: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128
Reply from 192.168.101.100: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128
Reply from 192.168.101.100: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128
Reply from 192.168.101.100: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128

Ping statistics for 192.168.101.100:
    Packets: Sent= 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% lost),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

C:\>ping 192.168.1.200

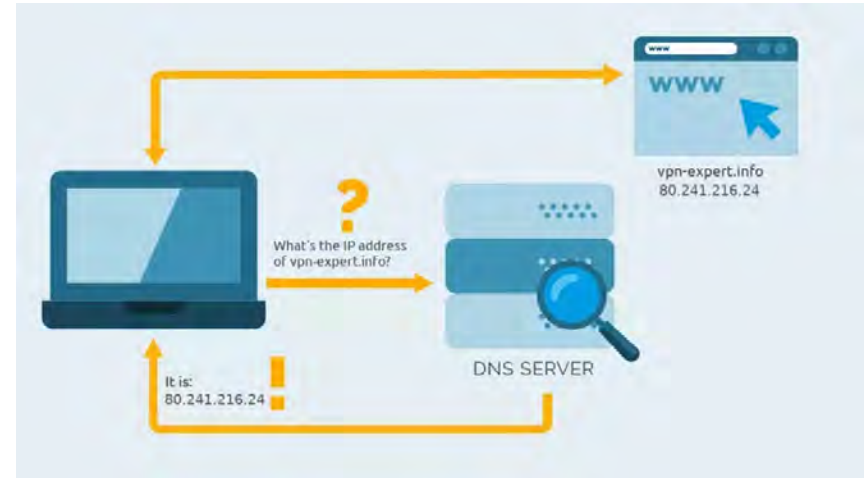
Pinging 192.168.1.200 with 32 bytes of data:
Request timed out.
Request timed out.
Request timed out.
Request timed out.

Ping statistics for 192.168.1.200:
    Packets: Sent= 4, Received = 0, Lost = 4 (100% lost),
```

- Use ping to test communications.
- Ping loopback(127.0.0.1), workstation, default gateway, remote host.
- If successful, reply with time in milliseconds.
- If unsuccessful:
 - Destination unreachable
 - No reply (request timed out)

IP Connectivity Issues

- Test DNS:
 - Ping DNS names.
 - Try reverse lookup.
- Troubleshoot IP conflicts:
 - Possible configuration error due to static assignment.
 - Windows disables IP.
 - Identify affected machines and resolve duplicate.



Routing Issues

- Use **tracert** to investigate routing problems
- Command would time out if host not located
- It will list:
 - Router hops
 - Ingress interface
 - Response time
 - Asterisk if no response

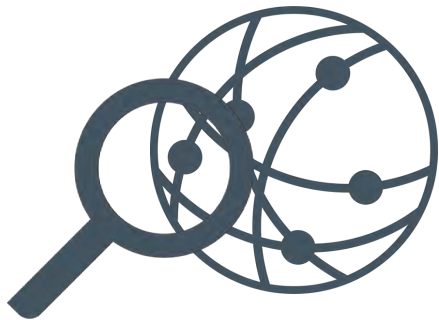
```
C:\Users\localadmin>tracert 10.0.0.1
Tracing route to 10.0.0.1 over a maximum of 30 hops
  1  HOST [192.168.1.110]  reports: Destination host unreachable.
Trace complete.

C:\Users\localadmin>tracert gtslearning.com
Tracing route to gtslearning.com [185.41.10.123]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
  1  <1 ms    <1 ms    <1 ms    ARCHER_VR900 [192.168.1.1]
  2  *         *         *         Request timed out.
  3  *         11 ms   11 ms   31.55.187.181
  4  11 ms    11 ms   11 ms   31.55.187.180
  5  12 ms    11 ms   11 ms   core2-hu0-17-0-1.southbank.ukcore.bt.net [195.99.
.127.188]
  6  12 ms    12 ms   12 ms   195.99.127.70
  7  13 ms    13 ms   13 ms   peer2-et-9-1-0.redbus.ukcore.bt.net [62.172.103.
43]
  8  13 ms    13 ms   18 ms   linx2.ixreach.com [195.66.236.217]
  9  20 ms    20 ms   20 ms   r1.tcw.man.ixreach.com [91.196.184.181]
 10  19 ms    23 ms   20 ms   rt1-tjh-ixr.as200083.net [46.18.174.222]
 11  20 ms    20 ms   20 ms   server1.gtslearning.com [185.41.10.123]
Trace complete.

C:\Users\localadmin>_
```

Unavailable Resources (Slide 1 of 5)

- If not with cabling, switches/routers, or IP, problem is at higher layer
- Failures possible in:
 - Security
 - Name resolution
 - Application/OS
- If Internet access or local resources are unavailable, establish scope by trying a different client:
 - If works, problem with 1st client
 - If fails, problem is with server, device, or infrastructure



Unavailable Resources

Use netstat to investigate open ports and connections

Use -a, -b, -n switches

Linux has slightly different utility

```
C:\Windows\system32>
C:\Windows\system32>netstat -aon
```

Active Connections

| Proto | Local Address | Foreign Address | State | PID |
|-------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------|------|
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:22 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 4704 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:135 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 880 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:445 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 4 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:5040 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 1144 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:7680 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 4584 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49664 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 660 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49665 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 520 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49666 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 708 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49667 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 432 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49668 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 1952 |
| TCP | 0.0.0.0:49669 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 652 |
| TCP | 192.168.122.176:139 | 0.0.0.0:0 | LISTENING | 4 |
| TCP | 192.168.122.176:49679 | 52.139.250.253:443 | ESTABLISHED | 432 |
| TCP | 192.168.122.176:49719 | 52.139.250.253:443 | ESTABLISHED | 4992 |

Unavailable Resources

- Use **nslookup** to investigate name resolution problems
- nslookup - *Option Host Server*
- Query a different name server and compare your results

```
C:\Users\James>nslookup -type=mx comptia.org 8.8.8.8
Server:  google-public-dns-a.google.com
Address:  8.8.8.8

Non-authoritative answer:
comptia.org      MX preference = 10, mail exchanger = comptia-org.mail.protection.outlook.c
om
```

Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- What readings would you expect to gather with a Wi-Fi analyzer?
- **ANSWER:**
 - The signal strength
 - Channels within range of the analyzer.



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- You have restarted the DHCP server following a network problem. What command would you use to refresh the IP configuration on Windows 10 client workstations?
- **ANSWER:**
 - `ipconfig /renew`



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- What command can you use on a Linux computer to report the IP configuration?
- **ANSWER:**
 - `ifconfig` tool.
 - The `ip` command is now preferred.



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- You are trying to add a computer to a wireless network but cannot detect the access point. What would you suspect the problem to be?
- **ANSWER:**
 - The computer's wireless adapter is not supported by the AP, the computer is not in range, or there is some sort of interference.



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- A single PC on a network cannot connect to the Internet. Where would you start troubleshooting?
- **ANSWER:**
 - You could test the PC's IP configuration, specifically the default gateway or name resolution, or you could check that the cable is good.



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- What Windows tool is used to test the end-to-end path between two IP hosts on different IP networks?
- **ANSWER:**
 - `tracert`



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- A computer cannot connect to the network. The machine is configured to obtain a TCP/IP configuration automatically. You use `ipconfig` to determine the IP address and it returns 0.0.0.0. What does this tell you?
- **ANSWER:**
 - If a DHCP server cannot be contacted, the machine should default to using an APIPA address (169.254.x.y).
 - As it has not done this, something is wrong with the networking software installed on the machine (probably the DHCP client service, TCP/IP stack, or registry configuration, to be specific).



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- If a host has a firewall configured to block outgoing ICMP traffic, what result would you expect from pinging the host (assuming that the path to the host is otherwise OK)?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Destination unreachable.



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- Which command produces the output shown in this graphic?
(slide 1 of 2)

```
Active Connections

Proto Local Address      Foreign Address    State       PID
TCP   0.0.0.0:135         0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   652
TCP   0.0.0.0:445         0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   4
TCP   0.0.0.0:5985        0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   4
TCP   0.0.0.0:47001       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   4
TCP   0.0.0.0:49664       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   428
TCP   0.0.0.0:49665       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   912
TCP   0.0.0.0:49666       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   864
TCP   0.0.0.0:49669       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   1996
TCP   0.0.0.0:49670       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   524
TCP   0.0.0.0:49703       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   516
TCP   0.0.0.0:49706       0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   524
TCP   10.1.0.100:139      0.0.0.0:0          LISTENING   4
TCP   10.1.0.100:49764    10.1.0.192:3000    ESTABLISHED 4280
TCP   [::]:135            [::]:0             LISTENING   652
TCP   [::]:445            [::]:0             LISTENING   4
TCP   [::]:5985           [::]:0             LISTENING   4
TCP   [::]:47001          [::]:0             LISTENING   4
```



Discussing Network Connection Troubleshooting

- Which command produces the output shown in this graphic?
(slide 2 of 2)
- **ANSWER:**
 - This is output from `netstat`. Specifically, it is `netstat -ano`. The switches show all connections, with ports in numeric format, and the PID of the process that opened the port.

```
Active Connections
Proto Local Address           Foreign Address         State       PID
TCP  0.0.0.0:135              0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   652
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TCP  0.0.0.0:5985             0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   4
TCP  0.0.0.0:47001            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   4
TCP  0.0.0.0:49664            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   428
TCP  0.0.0.0:49665            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   912
TCP  0.0.0.0:49666            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   864
TCP  0.0.0.0:49669            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   1996
TCP  0.0.0.0:49670            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   524
TCP  0.0.0.0:49703            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   516
TCP  0.0.0.0:49706            0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   524
TCP  10.1.0.100:139           0.0.0.0:0               LISTENING   4
TCP  10.1.0.100:49764         10.1.0.192:3000         ESTABLISHED 4280
TCP  [::]:135                 [::]:0                  LISTENING   652
TCP  [::]:445                 [::]:0                  LISTENING   4
TCP  [::]:5985                [::]:0                  LISTENING   4
TCP  [::]:47001               [::]:0                  LISTENING   4
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Topic F: Install and Configure IoT Devices



Internet of Things

Is used to describe the global network of Smart Devices:

- Wearable technology
- Home appliances
- Home control systems
- Devices can communicate and pass data between devices.
- “Things” identified with unique numbers/codes.



IoT Wireless Networking Technologies

| Technology | Description |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Bluetooth Low Energy | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radio communication speeds up to 3 Mbps; v3 or v4 up to 24 Mbps• Maximum range of 10 m/30 ft (signal strength weak at max. distance)• Used in many portable/wearable devices• Pairing procedure• BLE version for low-powered devices that transmit infrequently |
| Z-Wave | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wireless protocol for home automation• Mesh topology over low-energy radio waves• Can configure repeaters up to four “hops”• High 800-low 900 MHz range; runs for years on battery power |
| ZigBee | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Similar to/competitive with Z-Wave• 2.4 GHz band• Up to 65,000 devices in single network (232 for Z-Wave); no hop limit |
| RFID and NFC | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tagging and tracking devices with radio-frequency tags• NFC: peer-to-peer version of RFID |

IoT Device Configuration

- IoT functionality in home automation/smart home devices
- To interoperate, devices must all share protocol (Z-Wave or Zigbee) and be compatible with same virtual assistant/hub
- Endpoint devices (thermostats, light switches, etc.)
- Smartphone control (using Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, NFC)
- Smart hub control can combine (Z-Wave, Zigbee, Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, NFC)

Digital Assistants

- Voice interface responding to natural language
- Smartphones, computers, smart-speaker hubs
- Back-end server processing; raises privacy/security concerns
 - Google Assistant
 - Amazon Alexa
 - Apple Siri
 - Microsoft Cortana
- Device may require “training” to recognize and respond to user’s voice



Discussing IoT Devices

- What type of network topology is used by protocols such as Zigbee and ZWave?
- **ANSWER:**
 - A wireless mesh network topology.



Discussing IoT Devices

- What are the two main options for operating smart devices?
- **ANSWER:**
 - Using a smartphone/tablet app, or using a voice-enabled smart speaker. Some devices might also support configuration via a web app.



Discussing IoT Devices

- True or false? Voice processing by a smart speaker is performed internally so these devices can be used without an Internet connection.
- **ANSWER:**
 - False. The speaker passes the voice data to a backend server for processing.

