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EXPERIMENT 1

INTRODUCTION TO NETWORK COMMANDS

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Objectives:

- 1. Student will have an in-depth understanding of the various Network commands and their functionality**
- 2. Students will have exposure how to use these network commands for troubleshooting**

AIM

To understand and use basic network commands to troubleshoot and analyze network issues. The commands covered in this experiment include netstat, ipconfig, ping, telnet, ifconfig, traceroute, nslookup, and pathping.

SYSTEM AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Windows command prompt/ Linux Terminal/ Mac Terminal

PROCEDURE

- Step 1:** Open the Windows Command Prompt
- Step 2:** Type the required command.
- Step 3:** Observe the output, and draw inferences.

COMMANDS OUTPUT

- 1) netstat**
 - netstat (Network Statistics) is a command-line network utility tool that provides information about active connections and network status.

- It is useful for observing and troubleshooting network connections, and viewing active TCP/UDP connections, listening ports, routing tables, network interface statistics and finding which programs are using network connections. We can use specific commands to view the above mentioned like:
- netstat -a : shows all active connections
- netstat -r : shows routing table
- netstat -s : shows statistics by protocol

O/P Snapshot:

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C:\Users\exam>netstat

Active Connections

Proto Local Address           Foreign Address         State
TCP   172.19.152.138:7680      172.19.151.103:51621    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:7680      202122AUGC256:57302     TIME_WAIT
TCP   172.19.152.138:7680      202122AUGC256:57324     TIME_WAIT
TCP   172.19.152.138:7680      202122AUGC256:57346     TIME_WAIT
TCP   172.19.152.138:38553     4.213.25.241:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38577     adc:microsoft-ds        ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38704     a184-28-110-102:https   ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38745     20.42.65.91:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38746     40.126.18.33:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38748     lcmaaa-al-in-f10:https  ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38761     40.79.167.8:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38763     52.109.60.25:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38766     40.99.9.50:https        ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38772     52.107.253.103:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38773     a23-58-41-68:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38789     13.107.6.163:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38796     20.42.65.89:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38797     40.99.181.130:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38799     52.98.73.242:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38800     a23-33-114-43:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38803     a23-33-114-43:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38806     40.104.42.210:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38807     52.123.253.104:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38808     40.100.141.162:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38810     pnmaaa-az-in-f10:https  ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38812     a23-34-81-32:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38813     52.168.117.169:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38821     52.98.84.82:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38822     52.102.111.139:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38823     52.98.57.114:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38833     a23-208-217-189:https   ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38834     a23-208-217-189:https   ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38839     52.108.8.12:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38840     52.108.147.15:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38849     lcmaaa-al-in-f10:https  ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38851     20.42.65.94:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38856     52.96.173.178:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38866     a23-33-114-43:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38867     maa05s16-in-f10:https   ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38868     bom07s31-in-f14:https   ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38873     52.108.9.12:https       ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38877     a23-34-81-66:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38881     20.190.146.32:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38882     a23-41-186-120:https    ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38884     pnmaaa-az-in-f10:https  ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38885     40.126.17.134:https     ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38886     13.107.42.16:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38887     a23-34-81-17:https      ESTABLISHED
TCP   172.19.152.138:38888     a23-34-81-17:https      ESTABLISHED
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2) ipconfig

- ipconfig (Internet Protocol Configuration) is a command-line network utility tool that provides information about network configuration of a computer.
- It is commonly used to display and manage the IP address configuration of a computer's network interfaces. This includes information such as the IP address, subnet mask and default gateway.
- **Ipconfig/all** : Provides more detailed view of network configuration including DHCP status, MAC address and DNS servers. It is useful for in-depth network diagnostics.

O/P Snapshot:

```
C:\Users\exam>ipconfig

Windows IP Configuration

Ethernet adapter Ethernet:

    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : ch.amrita.edu
    Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::cc4:6a17:2a02:bde5%13
    IPv4 Address. . . . . : 172.19.152.138
    Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
    Default Gateway . . . . . : 172.19.152.1

C:\Users\exam>ipconfig/all

Windows IP Configuration

    Host Name . . . . . : 202122AUGC278
    Primary Dns Suffix . . . . . : ch.amrita.edu
    Node Type . . . . . : Hybrid
    IP Routing Enabled. . . . . : No
    WINS Proxy Enabled. . . . . : No
    DNS Suffix Search List. . . . . : ch.amrita.edu

Ethernet adapter Ethernet:

    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : ch.amrita.edu
    Description . . . . . : Intel(R) Ethernet Connection (11) I219-LM
    Physical Address. . . . . : 00-68-EB-C9-07-5F
    DHCP Enabled. . . . . : Yes
    Autoconfiguration Enabled . . . . : Yes
    Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::cc4:6a17:2a02:bde5%13(Preferred)
    IPv4 Address. . . . . : 172.19.152.138(Preferred)
    Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
    Lease Obtained. . . . . : 16 June 2025 10:21:00
    Lease Expires . . . . . : 16 June 2025 18:50:56
    Default Gateway . . . . . : 172.19.152.1
    DHCP Server . . . . . : 172.19.18.4
    DHCPv6 IAID . . . . . : 218130667
    DHCPv6 Client DUID. . . . . : 00-01-00-01-2E-CE-84-14-00-68-EB-C9-07-5F
    DNS Servers . . . . . : 172.19.18.2
                           172.19.18.4
    Primary WINS Server . . . . . : 172.19.18.2
    Secondary WINS Server . . . . . : 172.19.18.4
    NetBIOS over Tcpip. . . . . : Enabled
```

3) ping

- ping is a command-line network utility tool used to test the reachability of a host on a network.
- It measures the round-trip time for messages sent from the originating host to a destination computer.
- It is used for:
 - o Checking internet connectivity where users ping a well-known server to verify internet connections.
 - o Local network testing: To check status of devices like routers within local network.
 - o Performance monitoring: By continuously pinging a server, users monitor network performance

O/P Snapshot:

```
C:\Users\exam>ping 172.19.152.139

Pinging 172.19.152.139 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 172.19.152.139: bytes=32 time=2ms TTL=128
Reply from 172.19.152.139: bytes=32 time=2ms TTL=128
Reply from 172.19.152.139: bytes=32 time=3ms TTL=128
Reply from 172.19.152.139: bytes=32 time=3ms TTL=128

Ping statistics for 172.19.152.139:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 2ms, Maximum = 3ms, Average = 2ms
```

4) telnet

- telnet is a network protocol used for remote communication and management of devices using the Telnet protocol.
- It allows users to log into another computer on the local network or the internet
- It has largely been replaced by more secure methods like SSH (Secure shell)

Process:

1. **Connection Establishment:** The user initiates a Telnet session by connecting to a remote server using a Telnet client, establishing a TCP connection on port 23.
2. **Negotiation:** The client and server negotiate options and capabilities, such as terminal type and character set, to ensure compatibility during the session.
3. **User Authentication:** The server prompts the user for a username and password, which are sent in plain text for verification. Successful authentication grants access to the remote system.
4. **Command Execution:** The user enters commands in the command-line interface, which are transmitted to the server. The server processes these commands and sends back the output to the client.
5. **Session Termination:** The session remains active until the user logs out or the connection is lost. The user can terminate the session, which closes the TCP connection and frees up resources.

5) ifconfig

- ifconfig (expand interface configuration) is a command-line utility in Unix-based operating systems for viewing and configuring network interface parameters.
- It is used to assign IP addresses, enable or disable network interfaces, and configure other network interface settings.

O/P Snapshot:

6) tracert

- tracert (Trace Route) is a network diagnostic tool that traces the path that an IP packet takes to reach a destination host.
- It lists all the router (hops) that the packet passes through and provides information about the time taken for each hop.
- It is useful for troubleshooting network connectivity issues.

O/P Snapshot:

```
C:\Users\exam>tracert www.google.com

Tracing route to www.google.com [142.251.42.4]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    <1 ms    <1 ms    <1 ms    172.19.152.1
  2     2 ms     2 ms     2 ms    136.232.19.1
  3    31 ms    31 ms    31 ms    49.44.59.153
  4    29 ms    29 ms    29 ms    74.125.51.62
  5    29 ms    29 ms    29 ms    74.125.37.7
  6    29 ms    29 ms    29 ms    209.85.248.61
  7    27 ms    27 ms    27 ms    bom12s19-in-f4.1e100.net [142.251.42.4]

Trace complete.
```

7) nslookup

- nslookup (Name Server Lookup) is a command-line network utility used to query Domain Name System (DNS) servers to obtain domain name or IP address mapping information.
- It is useful for troubleshooting DNS issues and verifying DNS configurations.

O/P Snapshot:

```
C:\Users\exam>nslookup
Default Server:  pdc.ch.amrita.edu
Address:  172.19.18.2

> nslookup www.google.com
Server:  www.google.com
Addresses:  2404:6800:4009:82f::2004
           142.251.42.4

*** www.google.com can't find nslookup: No response from server
> |
```

8) pathping

- pathping is a network diagnostic tool that combines the features of ping and tracert.
- It provides information about the latency taken by packets to reach a destination and tests packet loss on the way.
- It gives detailed statistics on each hop along the route, making it useful for network diagnostics.

O/P Snapshot:

```
C:\Users\exam>pathping www.google.com

Tracing route to www.google.com [142.251.221.228]
over a maximum of 30 hops:
 0  202122AUGC278.ch.amrita.edu [172.19.152.138]
 1  172.19.152.1
 2  136.232.19.1
 3  49.44.59.153
 4  74.125.51.62
 5  142.251.76.23
 6  209.85.240.55
 7  pnbomb-bk-in-f4.1e100.net [142.251.221.228]

Computing statistics for 175 seconds...
Hop  RTT      Source to Here   This Node/Link   Address
     Lost/Sent = Pct Lost/Sent = Pct
 0
 1    1ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      172.19.152.1
 2    1ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      136.232.19.1
 3   31ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      49.44.59.153
 4   29ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      74.125.51.62
 5   29ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      142.251.76.23
 6   32ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      209.85.240.55
 7   32ms      0/ 100 = 0%      0/ 100 = 0%      pnbomb-bk-in-f4.1e100.net [142.251.221.228]

Trace complete.
```

RESULT

Learned and implemented basic network commands to troubleshoot and analyze network issues. The commands covered in this experiment include netstat, ipconfig, ping, telnet, ifconfig, tracert, nslookup, and pathping.

INFERENCE:

1. ipconfig and ifconfig have similar usage but used in different operating systems – ipconfig (windows) and ifconfig (linux), and the key difference between them being ipconfig is primarily focused on displaying and managing IP configuration, while ifconfig provides more extensive control over network interfaces, including enabling/disabling interfaces and configuring various parameters.
2. pathping is a network diagnostic tool that combines the features of ping and tracert.
3. Telnet protocol sends data as plain text making it vulnerable and thereby replaced by Secure shell protocol which encrypts the transferred data.