Objective

Assemble and troubleshoot PCs for a college lab, install Ubuntu 24.10 LTS, and configure essential tools.

Task Details

Part 1: Hardware Assembly and Troubleshooting

1. PC Assembly:

- Assemble PCs from the provided components (motherboard, processor, RAM, HDD/SSD, PSU, GPU, etc.).
- Ensure proper cable management and airflow within the cabinet.
- Perform a visual inspection to ensure proper connections and secure fittings.

2. Troubleshooting:

Check PSU Functionality:

- Verify whether the power supply unit (PSU) is capable of turning on and providing power to the motherboard, CPU, and other components.
- Use a PSU tester or a paperclip test to confirm the PSU is functional (if no other method is available).

Minimal Boot Test:

- Disconnect all unnecessary components, leaving only the CPU,
 one stick of RAM, and the motherboard connected.
- Check for any signs of boot activity such as POST beeps,
 motherboard lights, or fan movement.

Access BIOS/UEFI:

- If the system successfully boots, press the appropriate key (e.g., F2, Del) to access the BIOS/UEFI.
- Ensure the CPU, RAM, and storage are detected correctly.
- Check for stable voltages and temperatures within the BIOS settings.

Part 2: Operating System Installation

1. Install Ubuntu 22.04 LTS:

- Boot from the Ubuntu installation media (USB).
- Follow the installation steps, including partitioning the drive.
- Perform a full update after installation.

Part 3: Software Installation

- 1. Essential Tools Installation:
 - Visual Studio Code
 - Git
 - Docker
 - Thunderbird
- 2. Network Configuration:
 - o Configure Static IP Range:
 - Set up the static IP range of 172.16.250.XX/16.
 - Set the Gateway as 172.16.16.16
 - DNS as 8.8.8.8, 8.8.4.4.

Deliverables

- 1. A functional college lab network with assembled and tested PCs.
- 2. Installed Ubuntu 24.10 LTS with necessary software.
- 3. Configured network settings with the static IP range of 172.16.250.XX/16,

Gateway 172.16.16.16, and DNS 8.8.8.8, 8.8.4.4.

4. Installed and tested tools (VS Code, Git, Docker, Thunderbird).

Evaluation Criteria

- 1. Successful assembly and troubleshooting of all hardware components.
- 2. Proper installation of Ubuntu 24.10 LTS and necessary tools.
- 3. Correct configuration of network settings.
- 4. Installed and verified tools (VS Code, Git, Docker, Thunderbird).