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CROSSOVER CABLE

Objective

The purpose of this activity is to build a crossover cable to T568-B or T568-A standards for connection from a workstation to workstation or from a switch to a switch.

Background

In this activity you will learn how to build a Category 5 (CAT5) Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) Ethernet **crossover network cable** and test it for good connections and correct pinouts. This will be a 4 pair (8 wires) “crossover” cable which means that pairs 2 and 3 on one end of the cable will be reversed on the other end. All eight conductors (wires) should be terminated with RJ45 modular connectors.

Tool/Preparation

- 1. 1-1.5 meters length of CAT5 cabling.
- 2. Four RJ45 connectors (two extra for spare).
- 3. Crimping tools to attach the RJ45 connectors to the cable ends.
- 4. Ethernet cabling continuity tester that can test crossover type cables (T568-A to T568-B).
- 5. Wire cutters.

Reflection

HOW CAN YOU TELL IF YOUR CABLE IS FUNCTIONING PROPERLY?

Visual Test:

Cable Test:

Functional Test: