PRACTICAL NO 5: Configuring a Zone-Based Policy Firewall (ZPF)

Cisco IOS® Software Release 12.4(6)T introduced Zone-Based Policy Firewall (ZFW), a new configuration model for the Cisco IOS Firewall feature set. This new configuration model offers intuitive policies for multiple-interface routers, increased granularity of firewall policy application, and a default deny-all policy that prohibits traffic between firewall security zones until an explicit policy is applied to allow desirable traffic.

Nearly all classic Cisco IOS Firewall features implemented before Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4(6)T are supported in the new zone-based policy inspection interface:

- 1) Stateful packet inspection
- 2) VRF-aware Cisco IOS Firewall
- 3) URL filtering
- 4) Denial-of-Service (DoS) mitigation

Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4(9)T added ZFW support for per-class session/connection and throughput limits, as well as application inspection and control:

- 1) HTTP
- 2) Post Office Protocol (POP3),
- 3) Internet Mail Access Protocol (IMAP),
- 4) Simple Mail Transfer Protocol / Enhanced Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP/ESMTP)
- 5) Sun Remote Procedure Call (RPC)
- 6) Instant Messaging (IM) applications:
 - i) Microsoft Messenger
 - ii) Yahoo! Messenger
 - iii) AOL Instant Messenger
- 7) Peer-to-Peer (P2P) File Sharing:
 - i) Bittorrent ii) KaZaA iii) Gnutella iv) eDonkey

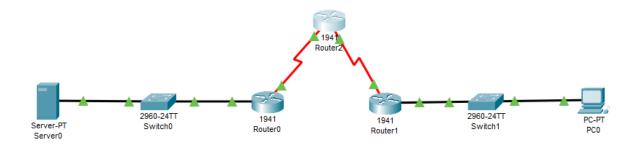
Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4(11)T added statistics for easier DoS protection tuning.

Some Cisco IOS Classic Firewall features and capabilities are not yet supported in a ZFW in Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4(15)T:

- i) Authentication proxy
- ii) Stateful firewall failover
- iii) Unified firewall MIB
- iv) IPv6 stateful inspection
- v) TCP out-of-order support

ZFW generally improves Cisco IOS performance for most firewall inspection activities. Neither Cisco IOS ZFW or Classic Firewall include stateful inspection support for multicast traffic.

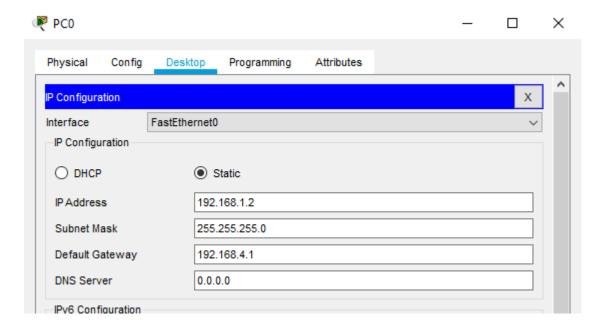
We use the following topology



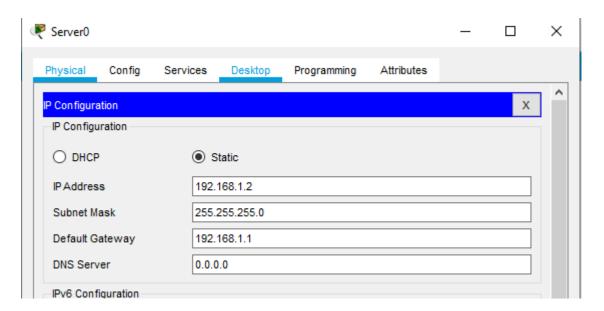
Let us consider the following Address table to configure the network devices:

Device	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask	Default gateway	Switch Port
PC 0	NA	192.168.4.2	255.255.255.0	192.168.4.1	Switch1 F0/1
Server0	NA	192.168.1.2	255.255.255.0	192.168.1.1	Switch0 F0/1
Router0	GE0/0	192.168.1.1	255.255.255.0	NA	Switch0 F0/5
	S0/1/0	192.168.2.1	255.255.255.0	NA	NA
Router2	S0/1/0	192.168.2.2	255.255.255.0	NA	NA
	S0/1/1	192.168.3.1	255.255.255.0	NA	NA
Router1	S0/1/1	192.168.3.2	255.255.255.0	NA	NA
	GE0/0	192.168.4.1	255.255.255.0	NA	Switch1 F0/5

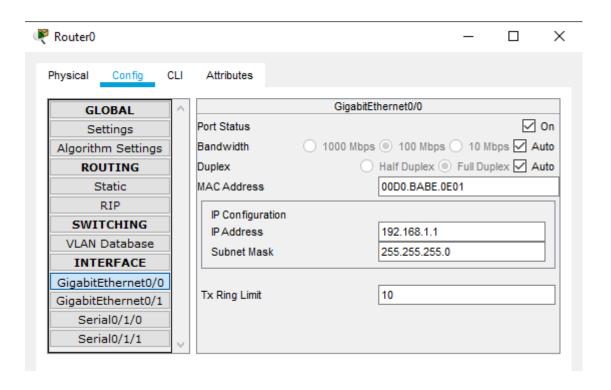
Configuring PC0

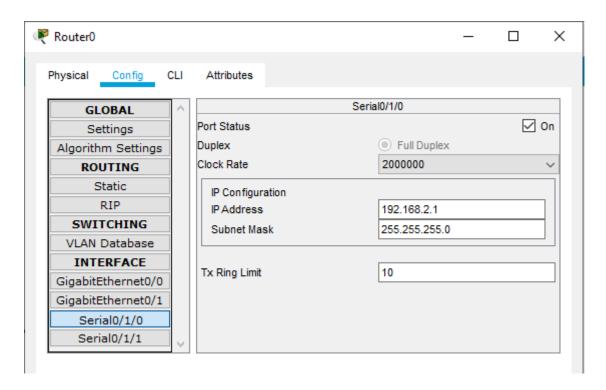


Configuring Server0

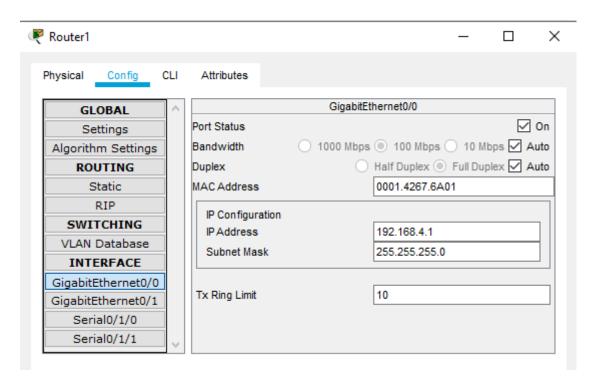


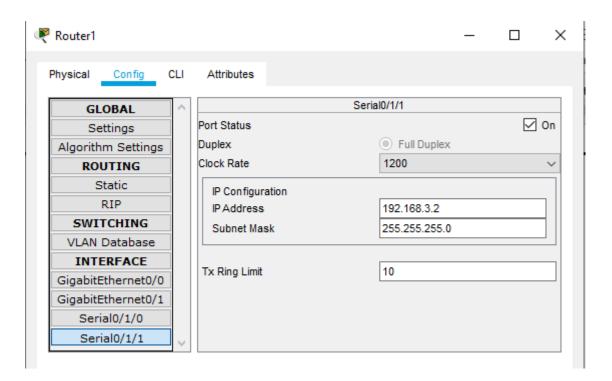
Configuring Router0



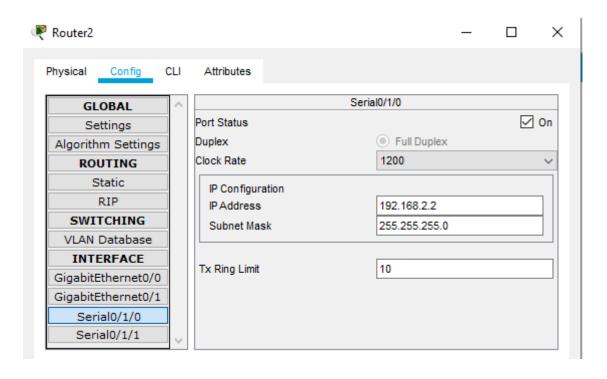


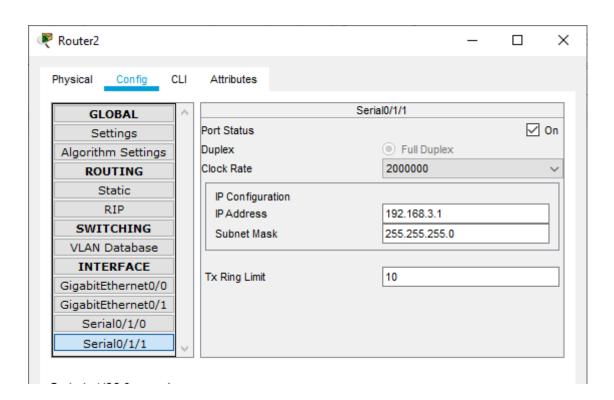
Configuring Router1





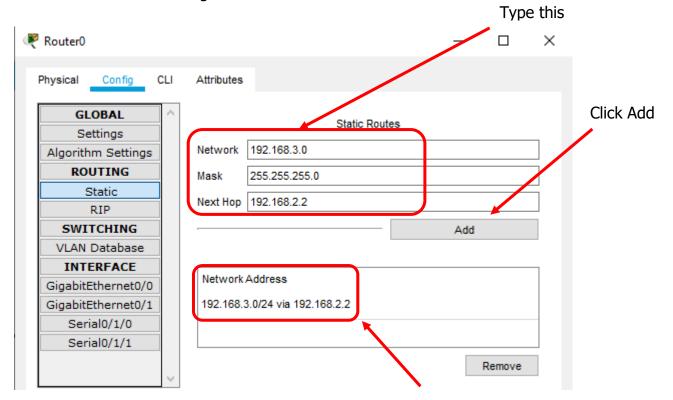
Configuring Router2



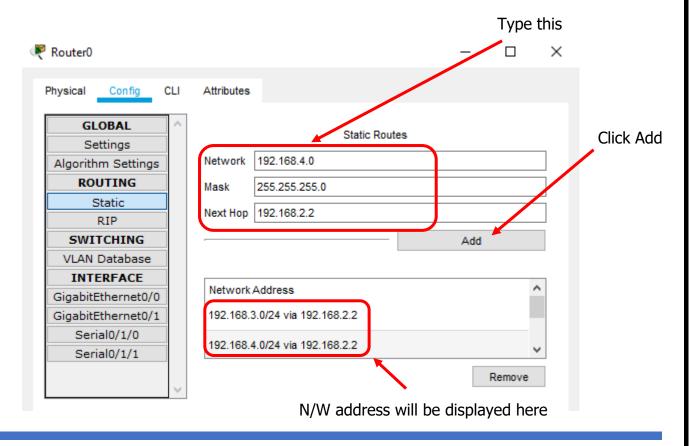


Part 1: Static Routing

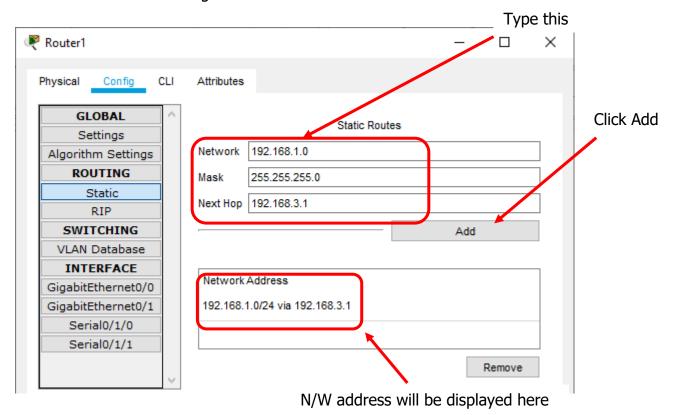
Static Routing is done using the following procedure for each Router Router 0: Add the following in the Static mode of Router0

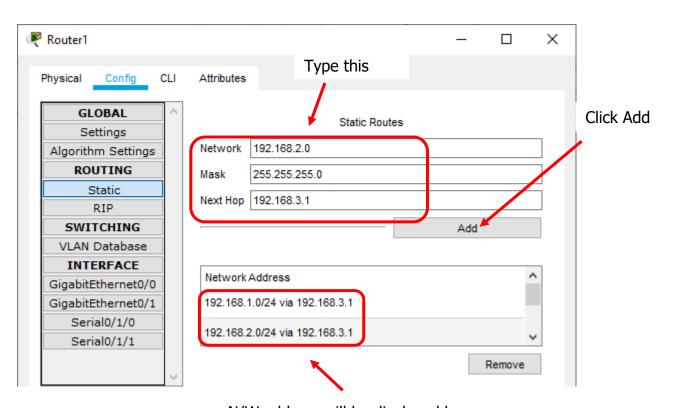


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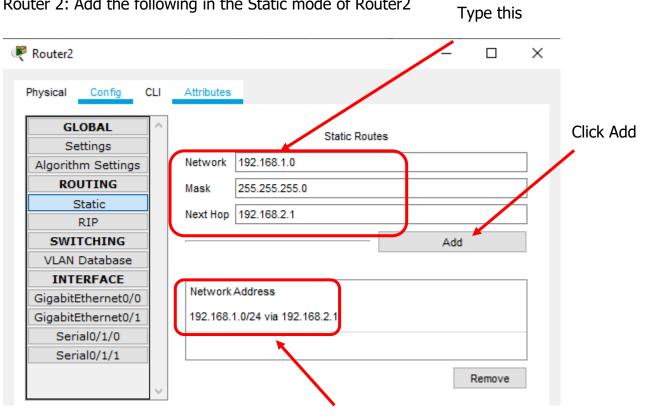
Router 1: Add the following in the Static mode of Router1



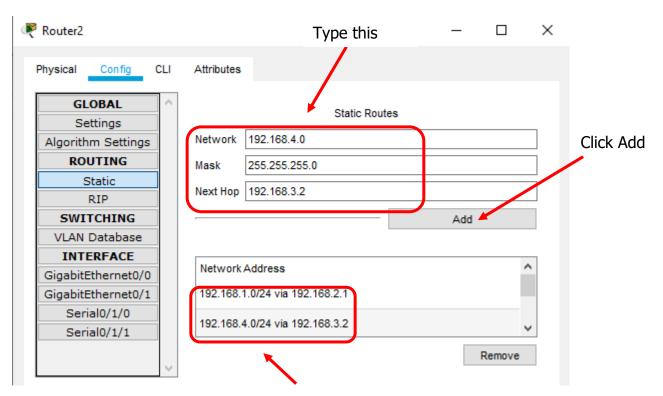


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Router 2: Add the following in the Static mode of Router2

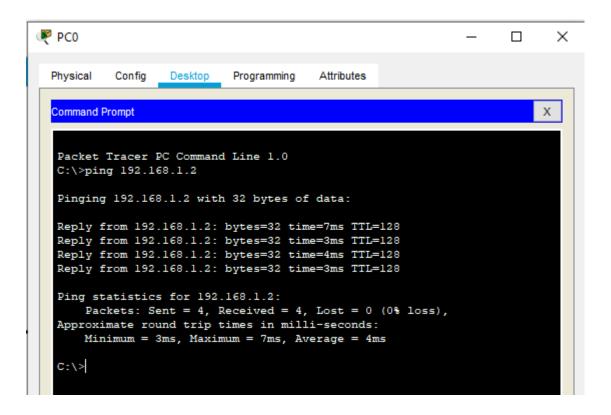


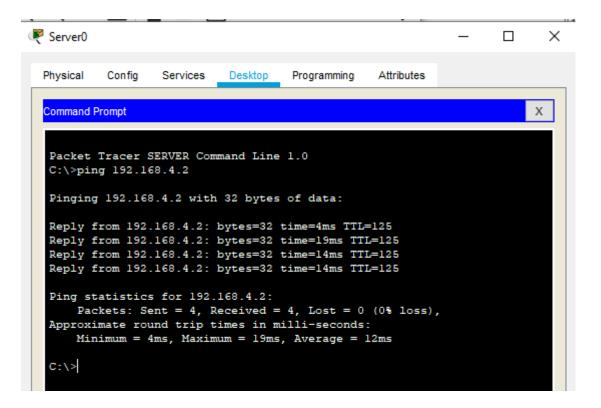
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Now we check the connectivity by pinging the Server from the PC and from PC to Server





Part 2: Configuring SSH on Router 2

Type the following commands in the CLI mode of Router2

Router>enable

Router#configure terminal

Router(config)#ip domain-name .com

Router(config)#hostname Router2

Router2(config)#crypto key generate rsa

Router2 (config)#line vty 0 4

Router2 (config-line)#transport input ssh

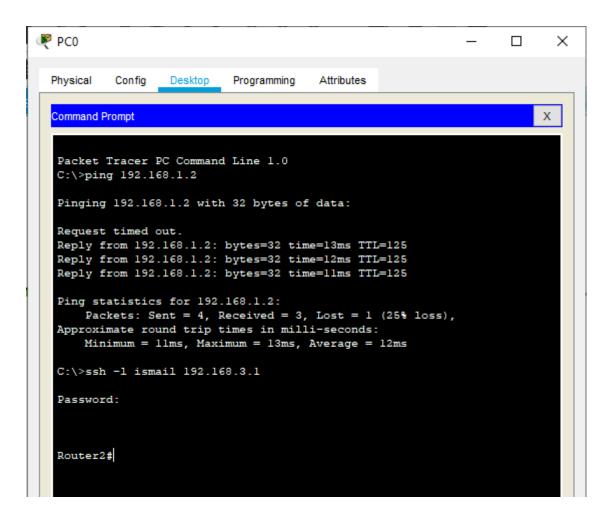
Router2 (config-line)#login local

Router2 (config-line)#exit

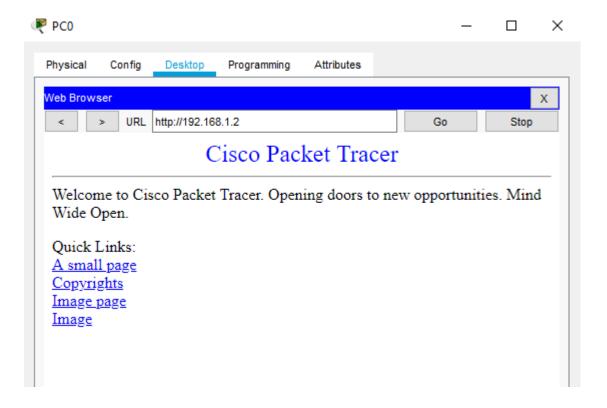
Router2 (config)#username ismail privilege 15 password cisco

Now verify ssh from PC0 by typing the following command

ssh -l ismail 192.168.3.1



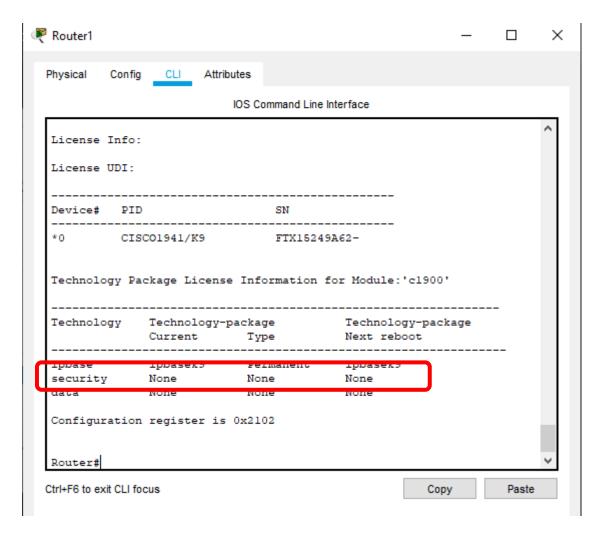
Next we access the web services of the Server using the web browser of PC using the following



Part 3: Create the Firewall Zones on Router1

Type the following commands in the CLI mode of Router1

Router>enable Router#configure terminal Router(config)#show version



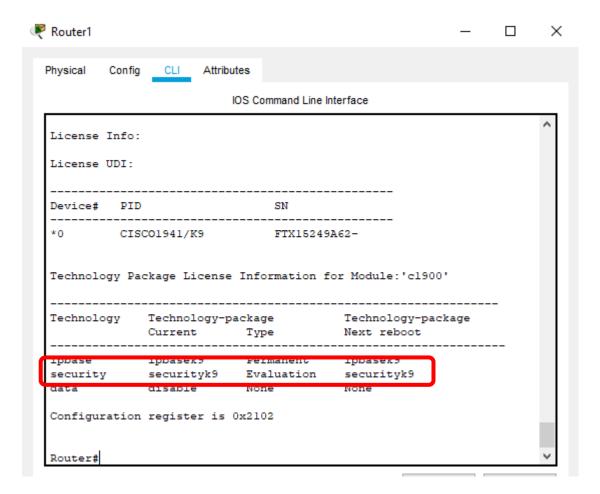
Router#configure terminal

Router (config)#license boot module c1900 technology-package securityk9 ACCEPT? [yes/no]: y

Router(config)#exit Router>enable

Router#reload Router>enable

Router#show version



Router# Router#configure terminal

Router(config)#zone security in-zone Router(config-sec-zone)#exit

Router(config)#zone security out-zone Router(config-sec-zone)#exit

Router(config)#access-list 101 permit ip 192.168.4.0 0.0.0.255 any Router(config)#classmap type inspect match-all in-map Router(configcmap)#match access-group 101 Router(config-cmap)#exit

Router(config)#policy-map type inspect in-out Router(config-pmap)#class type inspect in-

map Router(config-pmapc)#inspect Router(config-pmap-c)#exit Router(config-pmap)#exit Router(config)#

Router(config)#zone-pair security in-out-zone source in-zone destination out-zone Router(config-sec-zone-pair)#service-policy type inspect in-out Router(config-sec-zone-pair)#exit Router(config)#

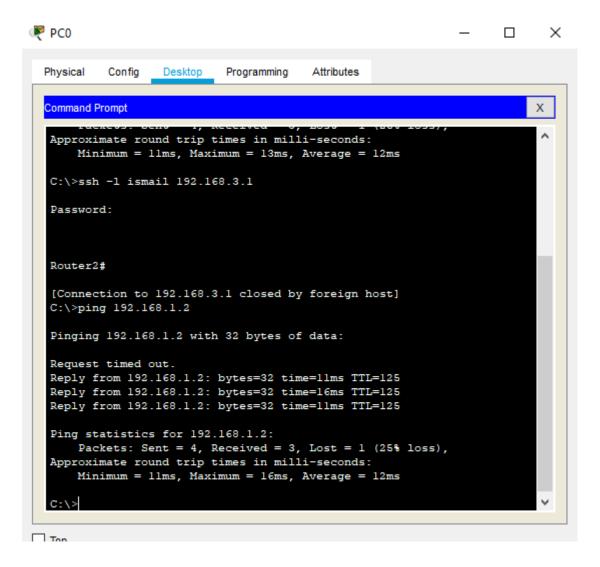
Router(config)#interface GigabitEthernet0/0
Router(config-if)#zone-member security in-zone
Router(config-if)#exit
Router(config)#

Router(config)#interface Serial0/1/1 Router(config-if)#zone-member security out-zone Router(config-if)#exit Router(config)#exit

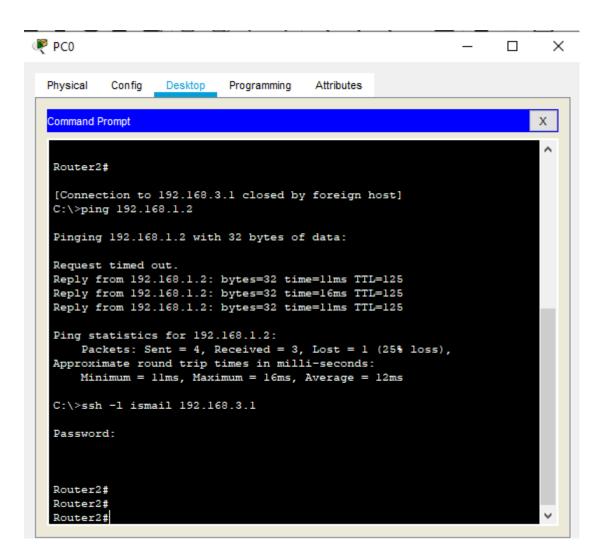
Router#copy running-config startup-config

Part 4: Testing the Firewall Functionality (from in-zone to out-zone) by the following steps

Step 1: Pinging SERVER from PC (it will succeed)



Step 2: Start an SSH session from PC to Router 2 (192.168.3.1)

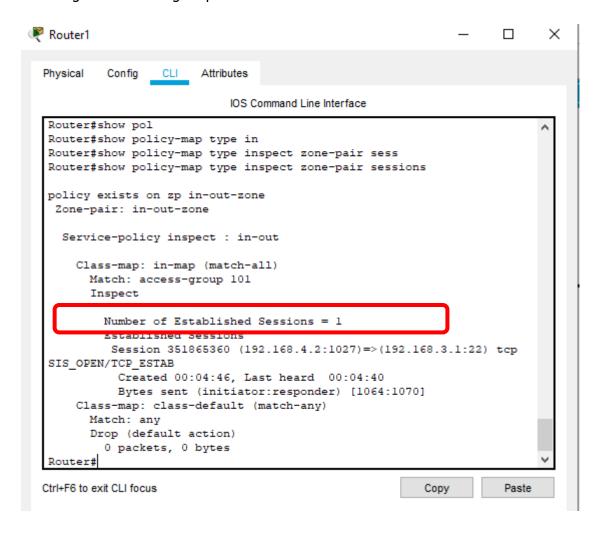


As seen above the session becomes active and we get access to Router2 (Do not exit and the session and continue to Step 3)

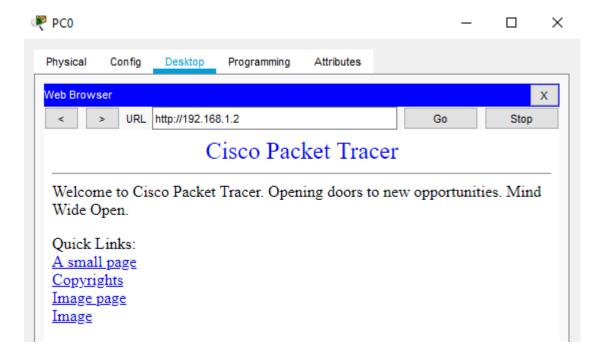
Step 3: Type the following command in the CLI mode of Router1

Router#show policy-map type inspect zone-pair sessions

We will get the following output

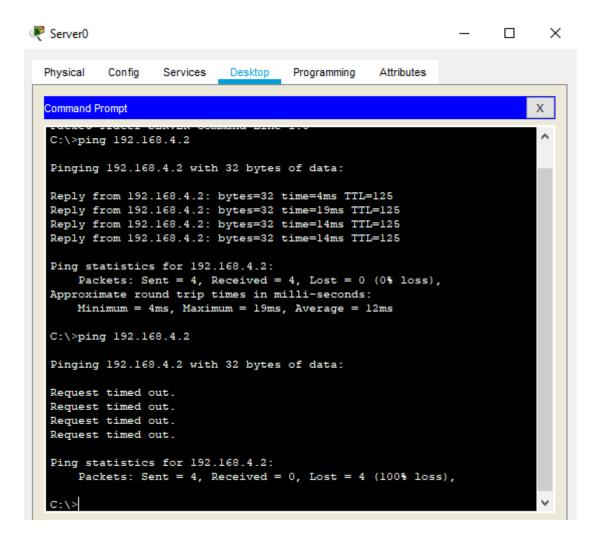


Step 4: We close the SSH connection and open the web browser and access the server address (192.168.1.2) and get the following



Part 5: Testing the Firewall Functionality (from out-zone to in-zone) by the following steps

Step 1: Ping PC0 from the SERVER (ip 192.168.4.2) (it will result in Failure)



Hence the Firewall functionality has been verified