Linux networking & services

Networking commends:

netstat – the networking statics (netstat)commends tool used for troubleshooting and configuration, that can also serve as a monitoring tool for connection over the network.

Syntax:

netstat

netstat -tulpn – display list of networks, their current states, and their associated port.

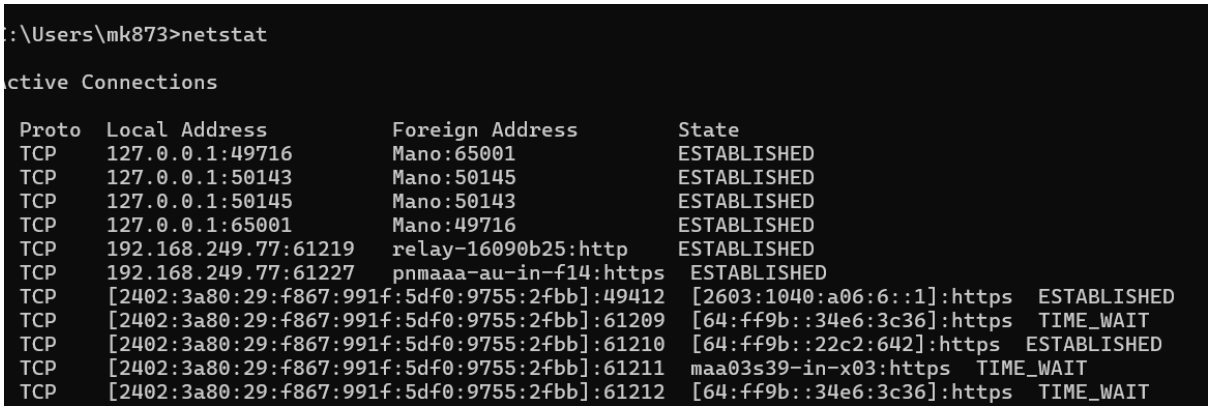
t – Tcp connected sessions.

u – Udp connected sessions.

I – listening port (on TCP&UDP)

P – process ID of listening tcp\udp port

n – show IP address instead od DNS names on the listening port.



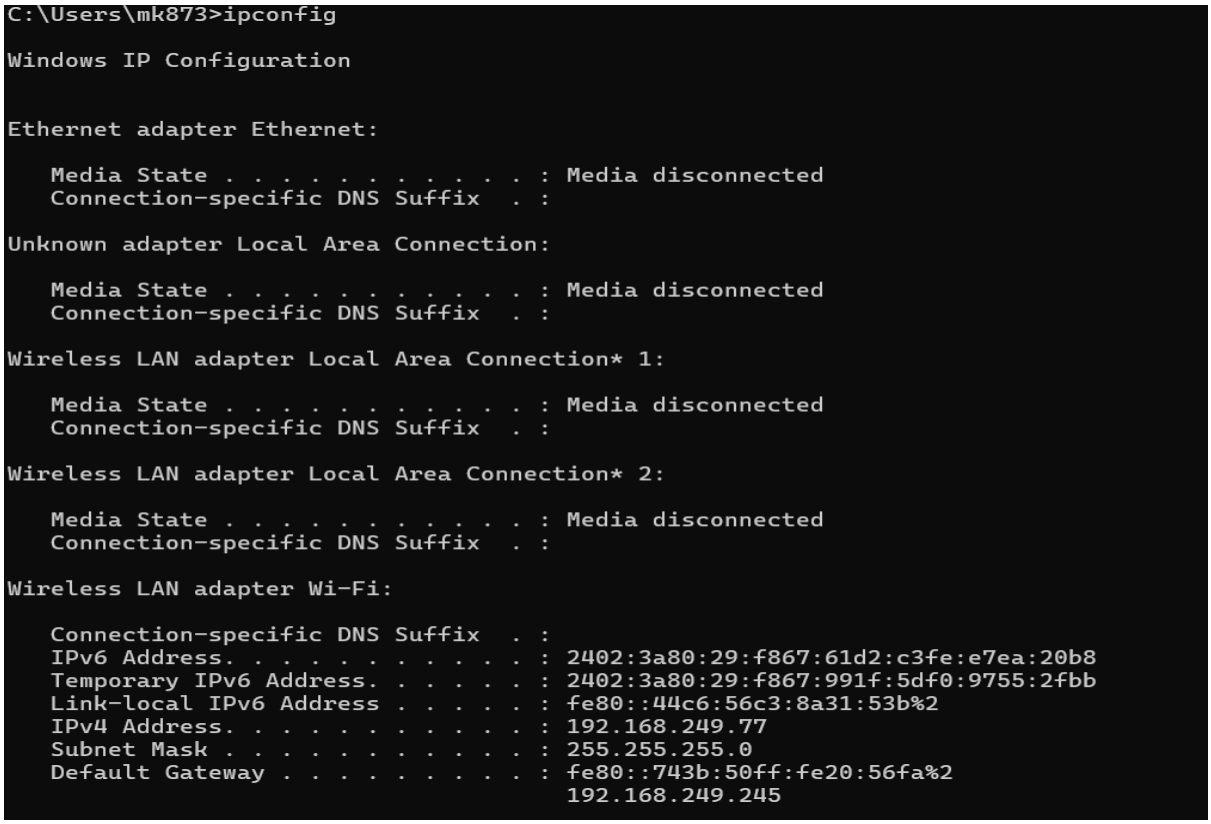
Ipconfig – ipconfig interface configurator.it is one of the most basic commands used in network inspection.

Config is used to initialise an interface, configure it with an IP address and enable or disable it. It also used the route and the network interface.

Basics information displayed upon using ifconfig are:

- IP address
- MAC address
- MTU (Maximum Transmission Unit)

Using this command, you can get details of a specific interface.



Ping – ping (packet Internet Groper) commends is used to check the network connectivity between host and server.

Commend:

ping [domain name]

ping -c 5 [domain name] -> send only 5 packets.

Ip – this is the latest and updated version on ifconfig command.

IP stands for Internet protocol. This commend is used to show or manipulate routing, devices and tunnels.

Syntax:

Ip a

Ip addr

This commends gives the details of all networks like the config.

These comments can also be used to get details of specific interfaces.

Syntax:

Ip a show eth0 – show details of interface eth0

Enable or disable interface using ip commends

Syntax:

Ip link set eth0 up – enable interface eth0

Ip link set eth0 down – disable interface eth0

traceroute – traceroute commands in Linux print the route that a packet takes to reach the host.

This command is useful when you want to know about the route of all the hops that a packet takes.

Syntax:

traceroute: google.com – trace the route used to reach google.com

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Tracing route to google.com [2404:6800:4007:80a::200e]
over a maximum of 30 hops:

  1    14 ms    21 ms     6 ms  2402:3a80:29:f867::d2
  2    70 ms    36 ms    39 ms  fd00:192:168:174::206
  3    56 ms    37 ms    57 ms  fd00:192:168:174::206
  4    82 ms    31 ms    53 ms  fd00:192:168:204::1
  5    48 ms    38 ms    67 ms  fd00:192:168:204::2
  6    61 ms    49 ms    60 ms  2400:5200:1800:6d::3c
  7    62 ms    46 ms    72 ms  2001:4860:1:1::1f56
  8     *        *        *     Request timed out.
  9    55 ms     *        *     2001:4860:0:1::448e
 10    65 ms    58 ms    58 ms  2001:4860:0:1::8828
 11    60 ms    48 ms    53 ms  2001:4860:0:1::880b
 12     *       57 ms    48 ms  2001:4860:0:1::163f
 13    60 ms    67 ms    61 ms  maa03s29-in-x0e.1e100.net [2404:6800:4007:80a::200e]

Trace complete.
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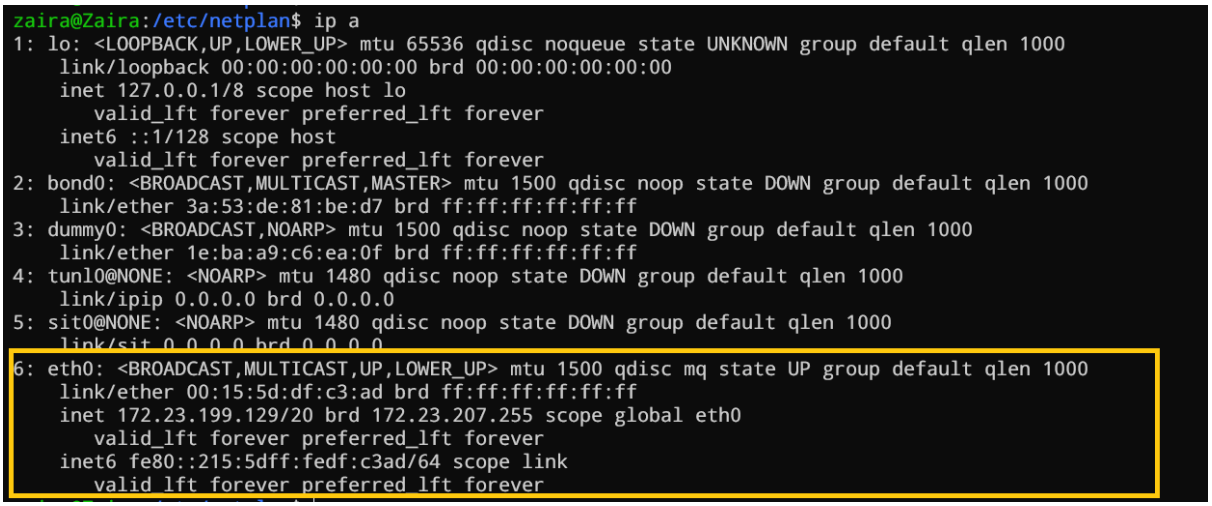
Configure static IP

Identify ethernet interface

To configure your system to use static address assignment, create a netplan configuration in the file /etc/netplan/99_config.yaml. The example below assumes you are configuring your first Ethernet interface identified as eth0. Change the addresses, routes, and nameservers values to meet the requirements of your network.

- launch the terminal using the shortcut.
- We will need our current network details such as the current assigned IP, subnet mask, and the network adapter name so that we can apply the necessary changes in the configurations.Use the command below to find details of the available adapters and the respective IP information.

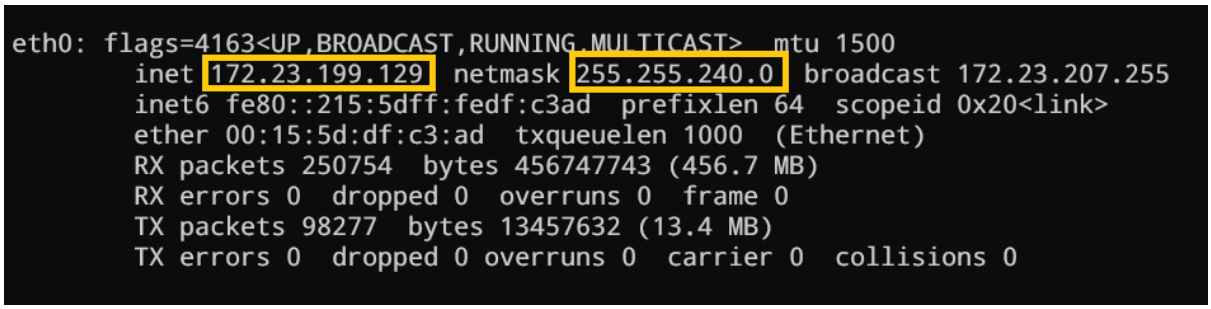
Commend: Ip a



For my network, the current adapter is eth0 It could be different for your system.

- We can find the subnet mask details.

Command: ifconfig -a



IP is 172.23.199.129 *and the subnet mask* is *255.255.240.0*

Based on the class and subnet mask, the usable host IP range for my network is: 172.23.192.1 - 172.23.207.254.

Make configuration changes

- Netplan is the default network management tool for the latest Ubuntu versions. Configuration files for Netplan are written using YAML and end with the extension. yaml.
- Go to the netplan directory located at /etc/netplan.
- **ls** into the /etc/netplan directory.

create a file named 01-network-manager-all.yaml.

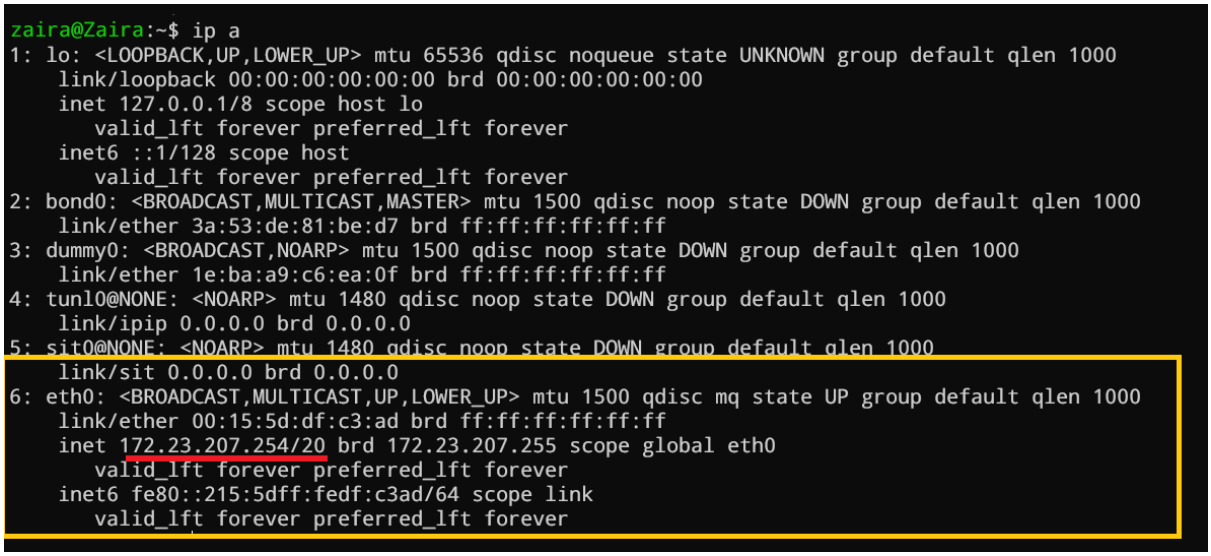
Apply and test the changes

We can test the changes first before permanently applying them using this command:

Sudo netplan fry

If there are no errors, it will ask if you want to apply these settings.

Now, finally, test the changes with the command ip a and you'll see that the static IP has been applied.



Create custom service – systemctl

The systemctl command in Ubuntu is used to **manage systemd services and the system state**. systemd is the init system used by Ubuntu (and most modern Linux distributions) to bootstrap the user space and manage system processes after booting.

Syntax:
Systemctl [commend][service-name]

Creating a Basic Service File

Step 1: Write a Script: create the script or program that you want to run as a service. This script should be executable and contain the code you want to run in the background.
For example, let's assume you have a script named my_service.sh
Step 2: Move the Script to a Suitable Location: It's a good practice to place custom service scripts in /usr/local/bin or a similar directory dedicated to user scripts. Make sure the script is executable (**chmod +x my_service.sh**).
Step 3: **Create a Service Configuration File**: Create a service configuration file with a. service extension in the /etc/systemd/system/ directory. You can name it something descriptive like my_service.service

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sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/my_service.service
Add the following content:
[Unit]
Description=My Custom Service
After=network.target

[Service]
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/my_service.sh
Restart=always

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target

- **Description:** A description of your service.
- **After:** Specifies that this service should start after the network services have started (you can adjust this as n eeded).
- **ExecStart:** Specifies the command to start your service.
- **Restart:** Specifies how the service should behave when it exits (in this case, it will always restart).

Step 4: Reload Systemd: After creating the service file, reload systemd to pick up the changes:
sudo systemctl daemon-reload

Step 5: Enable and Start the Service: Enable the service to start at boot:
sudo systemctl enable my_service

- Start the service

sudo systemctl start my_service
Step 6: Check the Status:
sudo systemctl status my_service