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i. Executive Summary:

This project showcases a VLAN-based segmented network configured using Cisco Packet Tracer. It features static IP addressing, subnetting (/26), router-on-a-stick routing, and wireless integration using access points and SSIDs. The network contains various wired and wireless devices including PCs, printers, smartphones, tablets, and a laptop. The aim is to create a secure and well-structured environment for inter-device communication.

ii. Introduction:

Networking forms the backbone of modern communication. VLANs allow segmentation of a larger network into logical subnetworks, while static IP addressing provides predictable and secure device identification. This project demonstrates the setup and configuration of a multi-device network using a Cisco 2911 router and Cisco 2960 switch.

Key Points:

- VLANs improve security and traffic management by isolating broadcast domains.
- Static IP addressing ensures consistent communication paths for devices.
- Subnetting with /26 provides efficient IP usage and organizational structure.
- Router-on-a-stick enables inter-VLAN communication using subinterfaces.
- Wireless devices such as smartphones, tablets, and laptops are integrated using SSIDs for each VLAN.
- The network simulates a realistic small-office environment with full connectivity across devices and network segments. VLANs allow segmentation of a larger network into logical subnetworks, while static IP addressing provides predictable and secure device identification. This project demonstrates the setup and configuration of a multi-device network using a Cisco 2911 router and Cisco 2960 switch.

iii. Project Scope:

This project focuses on designing and implementing a subnetted, multi-VLAN network that combines both wired and wireless connectivity. The scope includes:

- Deployment of a Cisco 2911 router and 2960 switch.
- Configuration of four distinct VLANs for effective network segmentation.
- Use of /26 subnetting to accommodate a fixed number of devices per VLAN.
- Assignment of static IP addresses to all hosts, including PCs, printers, smartphones, and laptops.
- Implementation of router-on-a-stick routing for inter-VLAN communication.
- Integration of wireless devices using uniquely named SSIDs.
- Testing of device-to-device communication across VLANs, especially smartphone-to-printer communication.

The project simulates a real-world small office or departmental network where isolation, structure, and reliable device communication are essential.

3. Project Objectives:

- Create 4 VLANs and assign them to different ports on both routers' networks.
- Use /26 subnetting for efficient IP allocation across both routers.
- Implement static IP addressing across all devices.
- Enable wireless connectivity using access points and defined SSIDs.
- Implement router-on-a-stick on both routers for inter-VLAN communication.
- Establish inter-router connectivity to allow communication between both LANs.
- Ensure communication between smartphones and printers across the extended network.

4. Literature Review:

- **VLANs:** VLANs (Virtual LANs) are used to segment a network logically, improving performance and security.
- **Subnetting:** Dividing a large network into smaller subnets improves address management and network performance.

- **Static IP:** Static addressing provides control and avoids conflicts in small to mid-sized networks.
- **Router-on-a-Stick:** A method to allow communication between VLANs via subinterfaces on a single physical router interface.
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6. Methodology

1. **Device Placement:** Place 2 routers, multiple switches, PCs, printers, smartphones, laptops, and access points across both networks.
2. **Subnet Design:** Create 4 subnets per router using the /26 mask (255.255.255.192), ensuring unique address ranges.
3. **VLAN Creation:** Assign VLANs to switch ports on both routers' networks.
4. **IP Addressing:** Assign static IPs to all devices within appropriate subnets, ensuring no overlap.
5. **Router Configuration:**
 - Configure subinterfaces on G0/0 of **Router0** and **Router1** with dot1Q encapsulation for their respective VLANs.
 - Assign IP addresses to the subinterfaces based on their VLAN's subnet.
6. **Trunk Ports:**
 - Configure trunk ports on switches connected to Router0 and Router1.

- Configure trunk port between routers using a crossover cable or intermediary switch.
- 7. **Routing Setup:** Use **static routing** or **RIP/EIGRP** between Router0 and Router1 for inter-network communication.
- 8. **Wireless Setup:** Deploy access points on both sides, configure SSIDs, and connect wireless clients accordingly.
- 9. **Testing:** Perform ping tests between VLANs and across both routers to ensure full connectivity.

7. Development Phases:

- **Phase 1:** Design overall topology with two routers and define IP subnetting.
- **Phase 2:** Set up hardware in Cisco Packet Tracer, including router-to-router connections.
- **Phase 3:** Configure VLANs, IPs, and router subinterfaces.
- **Phase 4:** Set up wireless access points and connect clients.
- **Phase 5:** Configure static routes or dynamic protocol for router-to-router communication.
- **Phase 6:** Test full connectivity, especially inter-router VLAN communication.

8. Challenges and Solutions

- **Issue:** Inter-router VLAN communication not working.
Solution: Configured static routes between Router0 and Router1 and verified trunk port connectivity.
- **Issue:** IP address overlap between routers.
Solution: Rechecked and redesigned subnets to ensure unique IP ranges on each side.
- **Issue:** Wireless clients couldn't communicate across networks.
Solution: Verified routing, SSID configuration, and ensured trunk links support inter-VLAN routing.

9. Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrated a scalable, segmented network using dual routers, VLANs, and static IPs. Router-on-a-stick and inter-router communication allowed seamless cross-network connectivity. Wireless integration was successful, and all devices including smartphones and printers

could communicate as intended.

10. Future Enhancements

- Introduce network security policies and firewalls.
- Integrate DHCP for scalability.
- Monitor traffic using SNMP.
- Expand topology with multiple routers and switches.

11. Code Explanation/Detailed Network Setup

1. Device Overview

- **Router:** Cisco 2911 (x2)
 - **Switch:** Cisco 2960 (x2)
 - **End Devices (per network):** 8 PCs, 8 Printers, 8 Access point, 4 Laptop
 - **Wireless Access Points:** 4 per network
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2. Subnetting Plan (/26)

Router 0 Subnets:

- Subnet 1: 192.168.1.0/26 → Gateway: 192.168.1.1
- Subnet 2: 192.168.1.64/26 → Gateway: 192.168.1.65
- Subnet 3: 192.168.1.128/26 → Gateway: 192.168.1.129
- Subnet 4: 192.168.1.192/26 → Gateway: 192.168.1.193

Router 1 Subnets:

- Subnet 1: 192.168.2.0/26 → Gateway: 192.168.2.1
 - Subnet 2: 192.168.2.64/26 → Gateway: 192.168.2.65
 - Subnet 3: 192.168.2.128/26 → Gateway: 192.168.2.129
 - Subnet 4: 192.168.2.192/26 → Gateway: 192.168.2.193
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3. IP Address Assignment

Router 0 Devices:

- PC0: 192.168.1.2 /26 GW: 192.168.1.1
- PC1: 192.168.1.66 /26 GW: 192.168.1.65
- PC2: 192.168.1.130 /26 GW: 192.168.1.129
- PC3: 192.168.1.194 /26 GW: 192.168.1.193
- Printers follow similar addressing within subnets

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- PC0: 192.168.2.2 /26 GW: 192.168.2.1
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- PC3: 192.168.2.194 /26 GW: 192.168.2.193
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4. VLAN Setup (Same for both switches with respective VLANs)

For Switch connected to Router 0

```
Switch> enable
Switch# configure terminal
Switch(config)# vlan 10
Switch(config-vlan)# name Admin
Switch(config)# vlan 20
Switch(config-vlan)# name Finance
Switch(config)# vlan 30
Switch(config-vlan)# name CS
Switch(config)# vlan 40
Switch(config-vlan)# name Users
```

For Switch connected to Router 1

```
Switch> enable
Switch# configure terminal
Switch(config)# vlan 50
Switch(config-vlan)# name Admin
Switch(config)# vlan 60
Switch(config-vlan)# name Finance
Switch(config)# vlan 70
Switch(config-vlan)# name CS
Switch(config)# vlan 80
Switch(config-vlan)# name Users
```

5. VLAN Port Assignment

```
Switch 0 (Router 0's switch)
interface range fa0/2 - 4
switchport mode access
```

switchport access vlan 10

interface range fa0/5 - 7

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 20

interface range fa0/8 - 10

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 30

interface range fa0/11 - 13

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 40

Switch 1 (Router 1's switch)

interface range fa0/2 - 4

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 50

interface range fa0/5 - 7

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 60

interface range fa0/8 - 10

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 70

interface range fa0/11 - 13

switchport mode access

switchport access vlan 80

6. Router-on-a-Stick Configuration

Trunking Configuration (on both switches)

Assuming the routers are connected to their respective switches using port fa0/1 (adjust as needed):

interface fa0/1

switchport mode trunk

Router 0 Configuration

```
enable
configure terminal
hostname Router0
interface g0/0.10
encapsulation dot1Q 10
ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.192
interface g0/0.20
encapsulation dot1Q 20
ip address 192.168.1.65 255.255.255.192
interface g0/0.30
encapsulation dot1Q 30
ip address 192.168.1.129 255.255.255.192
interface g0/0.40
encapsulation dot1Q 40
ip address 192.168.1.193 255.255.255.192
```

! RIP Configuration

```
router rip
version 2
no auto-summary
network 192.168.1.0
```

Router 1 Configuration

```
enable
configure terminal
hostname Router1
interface g0/0.50
encapsulation dot1Q 50
ip address 192.168.2.1 255.255.255.192
interface g0/0.60
encapsulation dot1Q 60
ip address 192.168.2.65 255.255.255.192
```

```
interface g0/0.70
  encapsulation dot1Q 70
  ip address 192.168.2.129 255.255.255.192
interface g0/0.80
  encapsulation dot1Q 80
  ip address 192.168.2.193 255.255.255.192
```

! RIP Configuration

```
router rip
version 2
no auto-summary
network 192.168.2.0
```

8. Access Point and SSID Configuration

Router 0 APs:

- AP0: SSID = Admin-WIFI, VLAN 10
- AP1: SSID = Finance-WIFI, VLAN 20
- AP2: SSID = CS-WIFI, VLAN 30
- AP3: SSID = User-WIFI, VLAN 40

Router 1 APs:

- AP0: SSID = Admin-WIFI-R1, VLAN 50
 - AP1: SSID = Finance-WIFI-R1, VLAN 60
 - AP2: SSID = CS-WIFI-R1, VLAN 70
 - AP3: SSID = User-WIFI-R1, VLAN 80
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9. Wireless Device Setup

- Devices connect to respective SSIDs.
 - Static IPs assigned within subnet range.
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10. Printer Setup

- Connected via FastEthernet.
- VLAN-based IP assignment (e.g., Printer0 → VLAN 10 → 192.168.1.10).

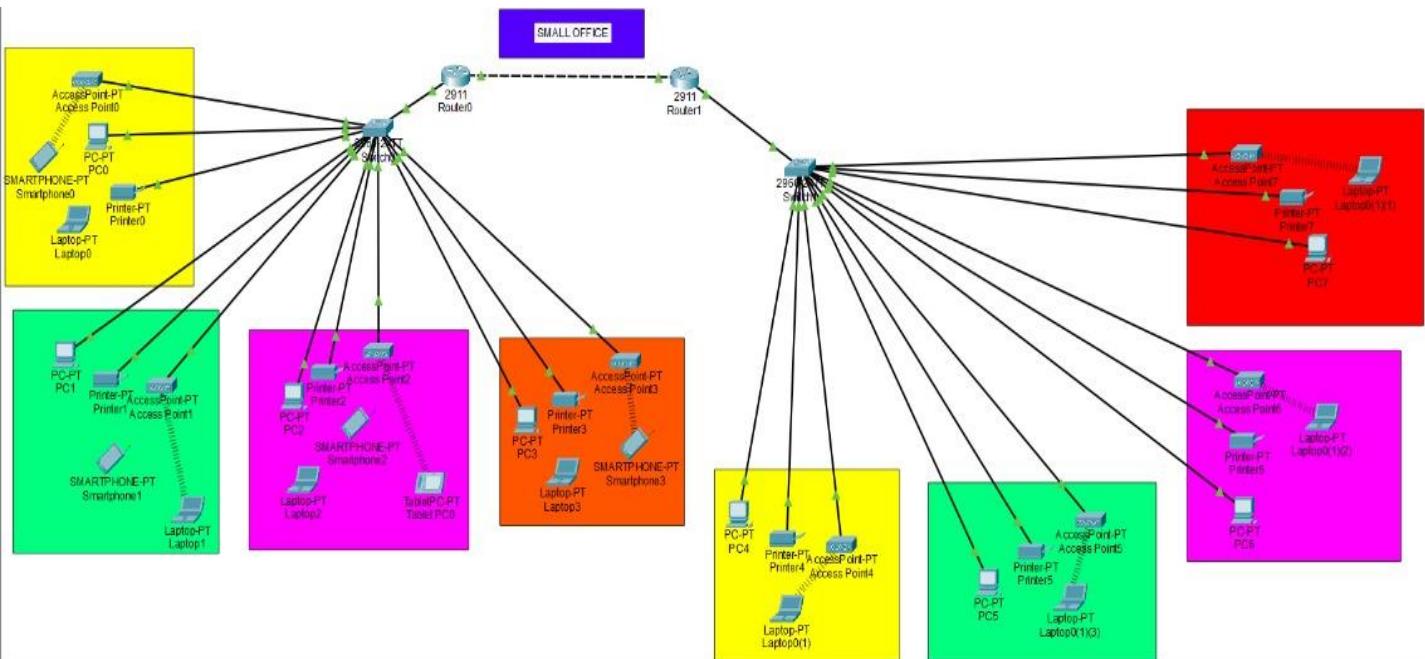
11. Smartphone to Printer Communication

- Ensure smartphones are in same VLAN as printers.
- Test connectivity using ping.

12. Troubleshooting Techniques

- Use commands: show ip interface brief, show vlan, ping.
- Verify VLAN setup and subinterfaces.

1. Screenshots Placeholder:



Router0

Physical Config **CLI** Attributes

IOS Command Line Interface

```

Router(config-subif)#ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.192
Router(config-subif)#
Router(config-subif)#ex
Router(config)#
Router(config)#int gig0/0.20
Router(config-subif)#
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.20, changed state to up

%LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.20, changed state to up

Router(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1Q 20
Router(config-subif)#ip address 192.168.1.65 255.255.255.192
Router(config-subif)#do wr
Building configuration...
[OK]
Router(config-subif)#ex
Router(config)#
Router(config)#int gig0/0.30
Router(config-subif)#
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.30, changed state to up

%LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.30, changed state to up

Router(config-subif)#encapsulation dot1Q 30
Router(config-subif)#ip address 192.168.1.129 255.255.255.192
Router(config-subif)#do wr
Building configuration...
[OK]
Router(config-subif)#ex
Router(config)#int gig0/0.40
Router(config-subif)#
%LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.40, changed state to up

%LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface GigabitEthernet0/0.40, changed state to up

```

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Switch0

Physical Config **CLI** Attributes

IOS Command Line Interface

```

Switch(config-if)#int f0/6
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20
Switch(config-if)#int f0/7
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20
Switch(config-if)#ex
Switch(config)#
Switch(config)#int f0/8
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20
Switch(config-if)#int f0/9
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20
Switch(config-if)#int f0/10
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 20
Switch(config-if)#ex
Switch(config)#
Switch(config)#int f0/11
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#exit
Switch(config)#
Switch(config)#vlan 40
Switch(config-vlan)#
Switch(config-vlan)#name User
Switch(config-vlan)#ex
Switch(config)#
int f0/11
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 40
Switch(config-if)#
int f0/12
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 40
Switch(config-if)#
int f0/13
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode access
Switch(config-if)#
switchport access vlan 40
Switch(config-if)#
switchport access vlan 40

```

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Smartphone0

Physical	Config	Desktop	Programming	Attributes
IP Configuration				
Interface: Wireless0				
IP Configuration				
<input type="radio"/> DHCP	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Static			
IPv4 Address	192.168.1.4			
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.192			
Default Gateway	192.168.1.1			
DNS Server	192.168.1.1			

Access Point0

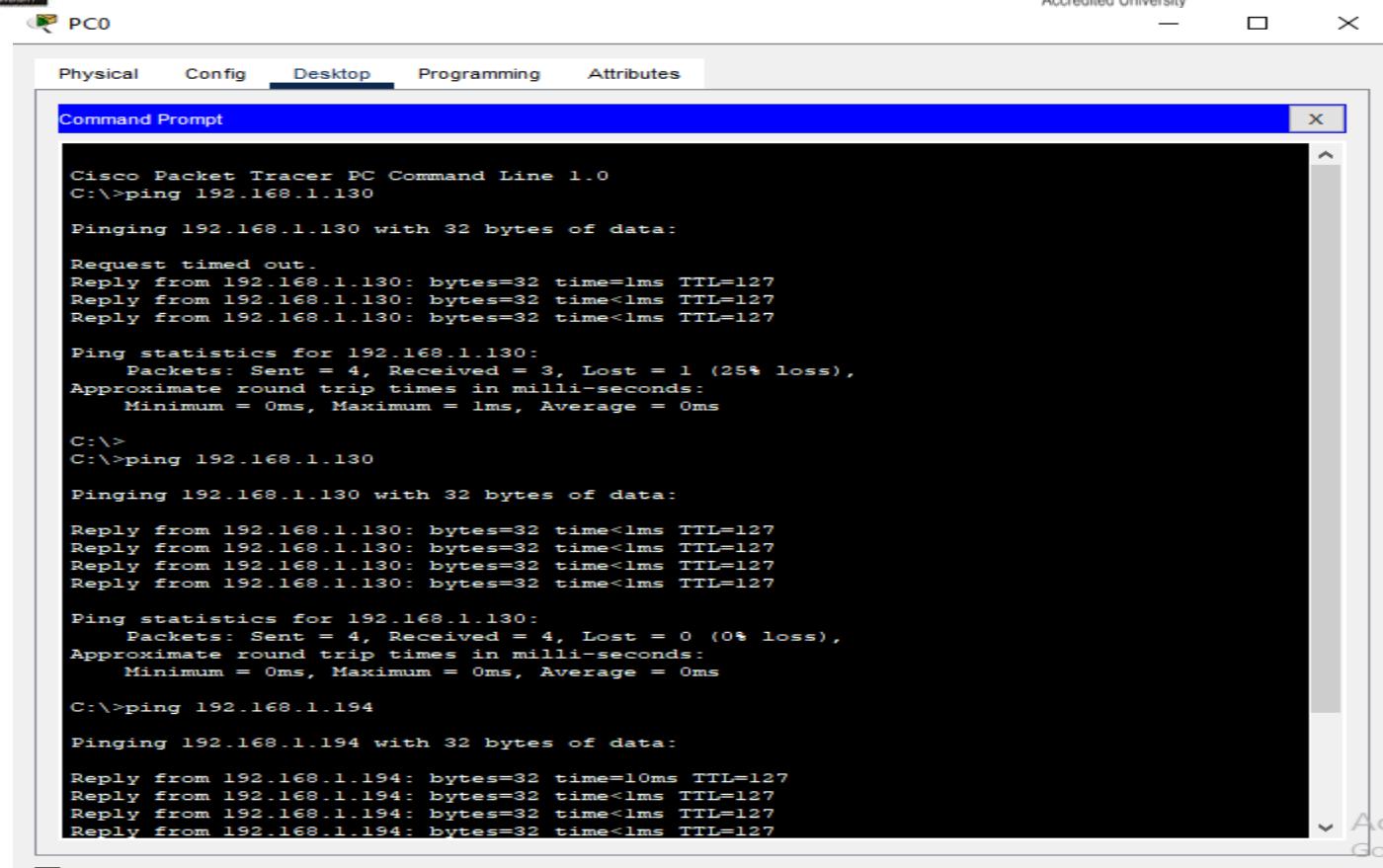
Physical	Config	Attributes
GLOBAL		
Settings		
INTERFACE		
Port 0		
Port 1		
Port Status		
SSID: Admin-WIFI		
2.4 GHz Channel: 6		
Coverage Range (meters): 140.00		
Authentication		
<input type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> WEP <input checked="" type="radio"/> WPA2-PSK		
WEP Key: Admin@123		
PSK Pass Phrase: Admin@123		
User ID: Admin		
Password: Admin@123		
Encryption Type: AES		

Access Point1

Physical	Config	Attributes
GLOBAL		
Settings		
INTERFACE		
Port 0		
Port 1		
Port Status		
SSID: Finance-WIFI		
2.4 GHz Channel: 6		
Coverage Range (meters): 140.00		
Authentication		
<input type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> WEP <input checked="" type="radio"/> WPA2-PSK		
WEP Key: Finance@123		
PSK Pass Phrase: Finance@123		
User ID: Finance		
Password: Finance@123		
Encryption Type: AES		

PC0

Physical	Config	Desktop	Programming	Attributes
IP Configuration				
Interface: FastEthernet0				
IP Configuration				
<input type="radio"/> DHCP	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Static			
IPv4 Address	192.168.1.2			
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.192			
Default Gateway	192.168.1.1			
DNS Server	192.168.1.1			



PC0

Physical Config Desktop Programming Attributes

Command Prompt

```
Cisco Packet Tracer PC Command Line 1.0
C:\>ping 192.168.1.130

Pinging 192.168.1.130 with 32 bytes of data:

Request timed out.
Reply from 192.168.1.130: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127
Reply from 192.168.1.130: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127
Reply from 192.168.1.130: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127

Ping statistics for 192.168.1.130:
  Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 3, Lost = 1 (25% loss),
  Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
    Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 1ms, Average = 0ms

C:\>
C:\>ping 192.168.1.130

Pinging 192.168.1.130 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 192.168.1.130: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127

Ping statistics for 192.168.1.130:
  Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
  Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
    Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

C:\>ping 192.168.1.194

Pinging 192.168.1.194 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 192.168.1.194: bytes=32 time=10ms TTL=127
Reply from 192.168.1.194: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127
Reply from 192.168.1.194: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127
Reply from 192.168.1.194: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=127
```

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