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# **LAB-1**

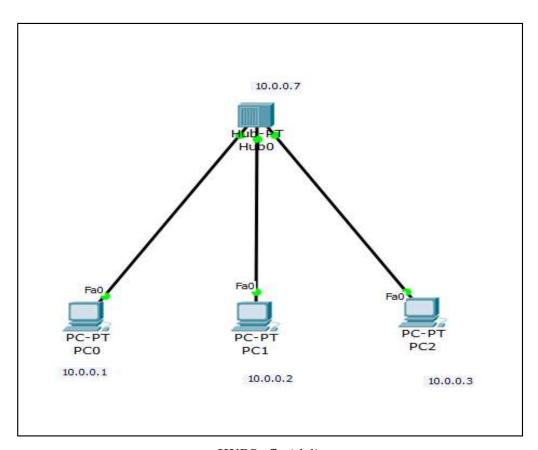
# **Question:**

Create a topology and simulate sending a simple PDU from source to destination using hub and switch as connecting devices and demonstrate ping message.

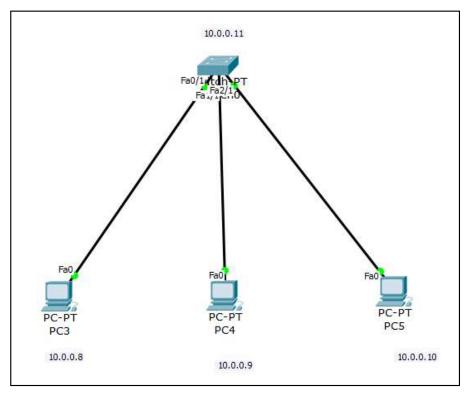
### Aim:

To set up a point - to -point network between a PC & a server, facilitating between a PC and a server, facilitating direct communication to observe data exchange.

## **Topology:**



**HUBS** fig (1.1)



**SWITCH fig** (1.2)

## **Topology Description:**

1. Switch Network: Switch's IP address: 10.0.0.11

• Switch (Switch0) is connected to three PCs:

PC3: IP: 10.0.0.8PC4: IP: 10.0.0.9PC5: IP: 10.0.0.10

All devices are in the same subnet 10.0.0.0 and connected to a switch, which facilitates communication between them at the data link layer.

2. Hub Network: Hub's IP address: 10.0.0.7

• Hub (Hub0) is connected to three PCs:

PC0: IP: 10.0.0.1 Subnet Mask: 255.0.0.0
PC1: IP: 10.0.0.2 Subnet Mask: 255.0.0.0
PC2: IP: 10.0.0.3 Subnet Mask: 255.0.0.0

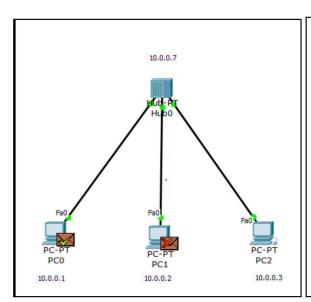
#### **PROCEDURE:**

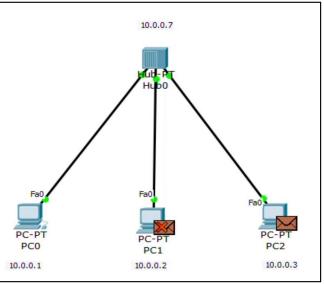
#### A. Connecting the Hub Network (PC0, PC1, PC2)

- 1. Connect PCs to the Hub:
  - Use Copper Straight-Through cables to connect each PC to the hub's ports.
    - $\circ$  PC0  $\rightarrow$  Hub port Fa0/0
    - $\circ$  PC1  $\rightarrow$  Hub port Fa0/1
    - $\circ$  PC2  $\rightarrow$  Hub port Fa0/2
- 2. Assign IP Addresses to PCs:
  - Open IP Configuration for each PC (under the Desktop tab), and assign the following IP addresses and Subnet Masks:
    - o PC0: IP: 10.0.0.1
    - o PC1: IP: 10.0.0.2
    - o PC2: IP: 10.0.0.3
- 3. Send a Simple PDU (Test Packet) Between PCs:
  - In Packet Tracer, use the Add Simple PDU tool:
    - Click on the Add Simple PDU tool (envelope icon).
    - Click on PC0 (source device).
    - Click on PC2 (destination device).
    - This will send a PDU (message) from PC0 to PC2.
- 4. Use Simulation Mode to Track the Packet:
  - Switch to Simulation Mode (bottom-right corner).
  - Press Play to start the packet movement simulation.
    - You will observe the packet being broadcasted by the hub to all connected devices, even though the destination is only PC2.
    - The packet will travel to PC2 successfully, but it will also be visible to PC1 due to the hub's broadcast nature.



| Simulation Panel |           |           |          |      |      |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| Event            | List      | ų.        |          |      |      |  |  |  |  |
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|                  | 0.000     | 1122      | PC0      | ICMP | 10   |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.001     | PC0       | Hub0     | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.002     | Hub0      | PC1      | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.002     | Hub0      | PC2      | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.003     | PC2       | Hub0     | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.004     | Hub0      | PC0      | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |
|                  | 0.004     | Hub0      | PC1      | ICMP |      |  |  |  |  |





**Hubs connection (fig 1.1.1)** 

# B. Connecting the Switch Network (PC3, PC4, PC5)

- 1. Connect PCs to the Switch:
  - Use Copper Straight-Through cables.
  - Connect each PC's Fa0 port to the switch's Fa0/1, Fa0/2, and Fa0/3 ports.
- 2. Assign IP Addresses to PCs:
  - o Go to PC3, PC4, and PC5.
  - Open the IP Configuration under the Desktop tab.
  - Set the following IP addresses and Subnet Masks:

O Switch (Switch0) is connected to three PCs:

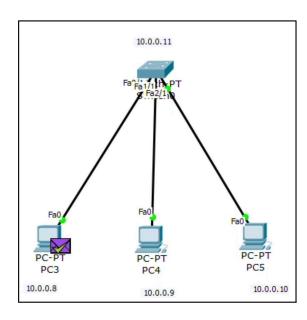
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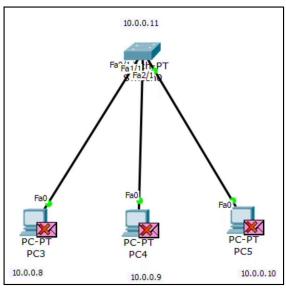
3. Click the Add Simple PDU tool (it looks like an envelope) from the bottom right.

- Click on the source device (e.g., PC3).
- Then click on the destination device (e.g., PC5).
- A message (PDU) will be sent from PC3 to PC5.

#### 4. Use Simulation Mode:

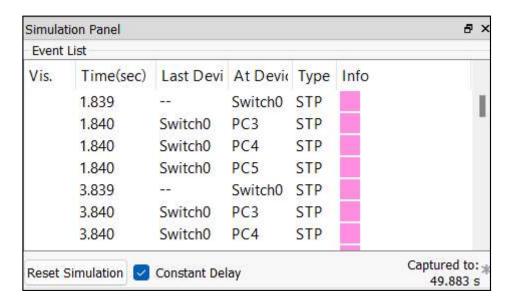
- Click on Simulation Mode (bottom-right corner).
- Press the Play button to simulate the packet movement.
- You will see the packet traveling through the network from one PC to another.
- You can track the packet's path and see if it successfully reaches the destination or encounters issues.





### **Switch connection (fig 1.1.2)**

| Fire | Last Status | Source | Destination | Туре | Color | Time(se | Periodic | Num | Edit   | Delete   |
|------|-------------|--------|-------------|------|-------|---------|----------|-----|--------|----------|
|      | Successful  | PC0    | PC2         | ICMP |       | 0.000   | N        | 0   | (edit) | (delete) |
| •    | Successful  | PC3    | PC5         | ICMP |       | 0.000   | N        | 1   | (edit) | (delete) |



### **Observation:**

- The hub broadcasts packers to all devices, which may cause unnecessary traffic
- The switch forwards packers only to the appropriate device by learning MAC addresses making it more efficient in reducing traffic.