Packet Tracer Lab

Instructions for Submission:

- The lab should be documented in a report format and submitted as a PDF file.
- The report should include screenshots for each step demonstrating the progress and completion of the tasks.
- Ensure that screenshots clearly display the Packet Tracer interface, configurations, and test results.
- A separate image of the badge from the course link provided earlier must also be submitted. This image should not be included in the report but submitted as a separate file.
- Deadline (23-February-2022, 12:00 pm)

Objectives

- Develop an understanding of Packet Tracer's functions.
- Prototype a network with two PCs connected to a switch and configure basic settings.
- Observe network traffic behavior, including ARP and ICMP messages.
- Validate network configurations using connectivity tests.
- Troubleshoot basic network issues using Packet Tracer's simulation tools.

Step 1: Set Up the Network Topology

- a) Add two PCs and a Cisco 2950T switch to the workspace.
- b) Use straight-through cables to connect the devices:
 - Connect PC0 to interface Fa0/1 on Switch0.
 - Connect PC1 to interface Fa0/2 on Switch0.

Step 2: Configure the Devices

- a) Click PCO, open the Config tab, and set:
 - Display Name: PC-A
 - IP Address: 192.168.10.10
 - Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- b) Click PC1, open the Config tab, and set:
 - Display Name: PC-B
 - IP Address: 192.168.10.11

Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

Step 3: Observe Data Flow Using Simulation Mode

- a) Switch to **Simulation Mode** by selecting the stopwatch icon in the bottom-right corner.
- b) Click Edit Filters and deselect all filters. Select ARP and ICMP filters.
- c) Select **Simple PDU (closed envelope icon)** and click PC-A as the source, then PC-B as the destination.
 - Two envelopes should appear beside PC-A (ARP and ICMP).
 - The Event List in the Simulation Panel will show their type.

Step 4: Run and Analyze Network Traffic

- a) Click **Auto Capture / Play** to observe packet movement.
- b) Click Capture / Forward to analyze the process step by step.
- c) Click Power Cycle Devices and confirm the reset.
 - Both ARP and ICMP packets should reappear.

Step 5: Verify and Troubleshoot Network Connectivity

- a) Click PC-A > Desktop > Command Prompt.
- b) Type: ping 192.168.10.11 and press Enter.
 - A successful ping should resemble:

Pinging 192.168.10.11 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 192.168.10.11: bytes=32 time=70ms TTL=128

Reply from 192.168.10.11: bytes=32 time=72ms TTL=128

Reply from 192.168.10.11: bytes=32 time=68ms TTL=128

Reply from 192.168.10.11: bytes=32 time=71ms TTL=128

Ping statistics for 192.168.10.11:

Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss)

Approximate round trip times: Min = 68ms, Max = 72ms, Avg = 70ms

c) If the ping fails, verify cable connections and IP configurations.

Step 6: View and Analyze ARP Tables

- a) Run arp -a on PC-A and PC-B to view the ARP table.
- b) Verify that each PC has the MAC address of the other device in its ARP table.
- c) Close all configuration windows and confirm the correct setup.

interface Fa0/2 switchport mode access switchport access vlan 20 exit d) Verify VLAN configuration using: show vlan brief