

# Chapter 5: Switch Configuration

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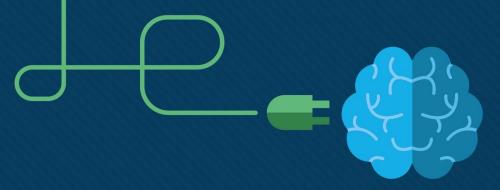
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## Chapter 5 - Sections & Objectives

- 5.1 Basic Switch Configuration
  - Configure basic switch settings to meet network requirements.
  - Configure initial settings on a Cisco switch.
  - Configure switch ports to meet network requirements.
- 5.2 Basic Device Configuration
  - Configure a switch using security best practices in a small to medium-sized business network.
  - Configure the management virtual interface on a switch.
  - Configure the port security feature to restrict network access.



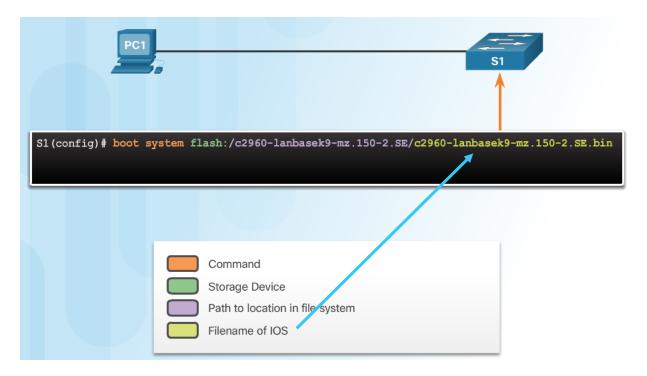
## Switch Boot Sequence

- When a switch is powered on, the boot sequence occurs.
  - Power-on self-test (POST), a program stored in ROM, executes and checks hardware like CPU and RAM.
  - The boot loader, also stored in ROM, runs and initializes parts within the CPU, initializes the flash file system, and then locates and loads an IOS image.
    - The IOS image can be defined within the BOOT environment variable.
    - If the variable is not set, the switch scours through the flash file system searching for an executable image file, loading it into RAM, and launching it if found.
    - If an executable image file is not found, the switch shows the prompt switch: where a few commands are allowed in order to provide access to operating system files found in flash memory and files used to load or reload an operating system.
  - If an IOS operating system loads, the switch interfaces are initialized and any commands stored in the startup-config file load.

The startup-config file is stored in NVRAM.

## Switch Boot Sequence (Cont.)

The boot system command is use to set the BOOT environment variable.





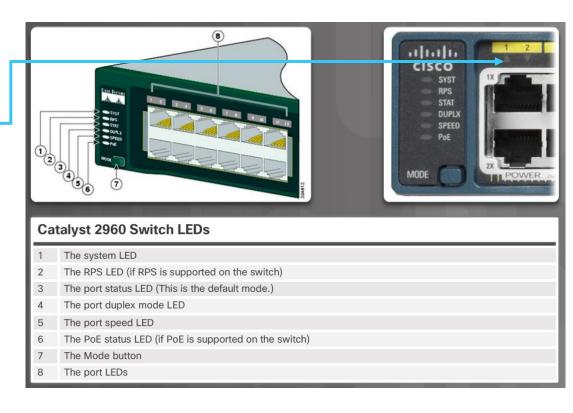
## Recovering From a System Crash

- The boot loader prompt can be accessed through a console connection to the switch:
  - 1. Cable the PC to the switch console port.
  - 2. Configure the terminal emulation software on the PC.
  - 3. Unplug the switch power cord.
  - 4. Reconnect the power cord and at the same time or within 15 seconds, press and hold the Mode button on the front of the switch until the System LED turns an amber color briefly and then turns a solid green.
- The boot loader command prompt is switch: (instead of Switch>).
  - The commands available through the boot loader command prompt are limited.
  - Use the help command to display the available commands.

```
switch: dir flash:
Directory of flash:/
                          Mar 1 2013 03:10:47 +00:00 c2960-lanbasek9-mz.150-2.SE.bin
       -rwx
               11607161
                          Mar 1 2013 00:02:48 +00:00 config.text
                   1809
       -rwx
                   1919
                          Mar 1 2013 00:02:48 +00:00 private-config.text
       -rwx
       -rwx
                  59416
                          Mar 1 2013 00:02:49 +00:00
                                                      multiple-fs
32514048 bytes total (20841472 bytes free)
```

## Switch LED Indicators

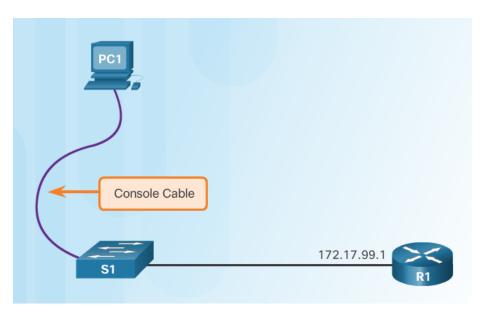
- System LED shows if the switch has power applied.
- Port LED states:
  - Off no link or shut down
  - Green link is present
  - Blinking green data activity
  - Alternating green and amber link fault
  - Amber port is not sending data; common for first 30 seconds of connectivity or activation
  - Blinking amber port is blocking to prevent a switch loop





## Preparing for Basic Switch Management

- To configure a switch for remote access, the switch must be configured with an IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway.
- One particular switch virtual interface (SVI) is used to manage the switch:
  - A switch IP address is assigned to an SVI.
  - By default the management SVI is controlled and configured through VLAN 1.
  - The management SVI is commonly called the management VLAN.
- For security reasons, it is best practice to use a VLAN other than VLAN 1 for the management VLAN.



Remember that the switch console port is on the back of the switch.

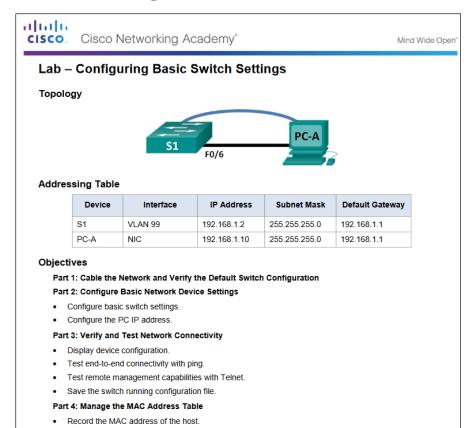
## Configuring Basic Switch Management Access with IPv4

#### Cisco Switch IOS Commands

Enter global configuration mode.	S1# configure terminal
Enter interface configuration mode for the SVI.	S1(config)# interface vlan 99
Configure the management interface IP address.	S1(config-if)# ip address 172.17.99.11 255.255.255.0
Enable the management interface.	S1(config-if)# no shutdown
Return to the privileged EXEC mode.	S1(config-if)# exit
Configure the default gateway for the switch.	S1(config)# ip default-gateway 172.17.99.1 Important Con
Return to the privileged EXEC mode.	S1(config)# end
Save the running config to the startup config.	S1# copy running-config startup-config



## **Basic Switch Configuration**



Determine the MAC addresses that the switch has learned.

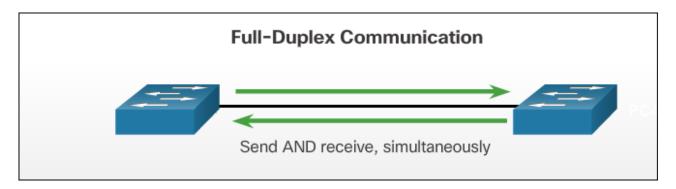
List the show mac address-table command options.



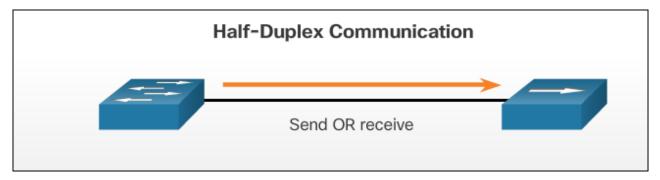
## **Duplex Communication**

Gigabit Ethernet and 10Gb Ethernet NICs require full-duplex connections to operate.

Bidirectional communication

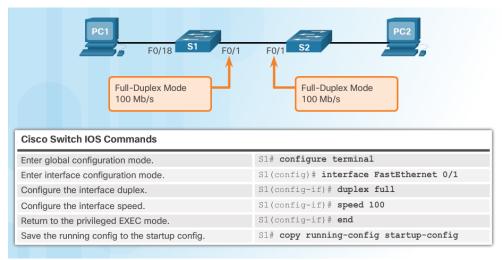


Unidirectional communication



## Configure Switch Ports at the Physical Layer

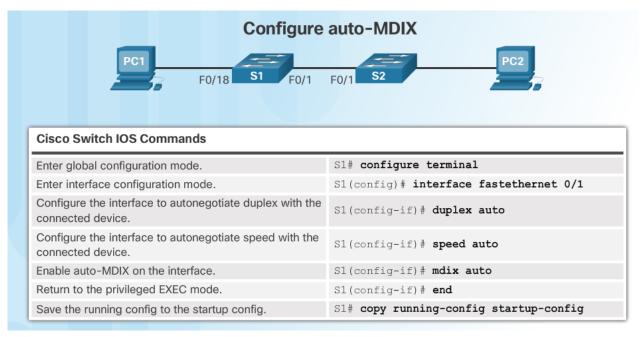
- Some switches have the default setting of auto for both duplex and speed.
- Mismatched duplex and/or speed settings can cause connectivity issues.
- Always check duplex and speed settings using the show interface interface\_id command.
- All fiber ports operate at one speed and are always full-duplex.





### **Auto-MDIX**

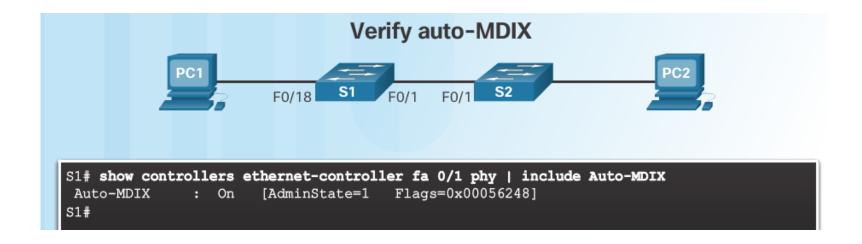
 Some switches have the automatic medium-dependent interface crossover (auto-MDIX) feature that allows an interface to detect the required cable connection type (straight-through or crossover) and configure the connection appropriately.





## Auto-MDIX (Cont.)

Use the show controllers Ethernet-controller command to verify auto-MDIX settings.



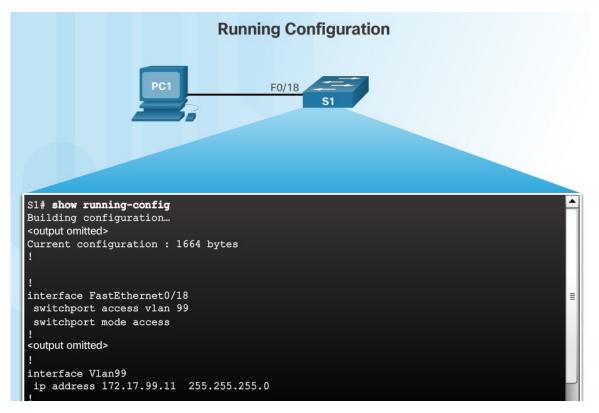
## Verifying Switch Port Configuration

#### Cisco Switch IOS Commands

Display interface status and configuration.	S1# show interfaces [interface-id]
Display current startup configuration.	S1# show startup-config
Display current operating config.	S1# show running-config
Display information about flash file system.	S1# show flash
Display system hardware and software status.	S1# show version
Display history of commands entered.	S1# show history
Display IP information about an interface.	S1# show ip [interface-id]
Display the MAC address table.	S1# show mac-address-table OR S1# show mac address-table

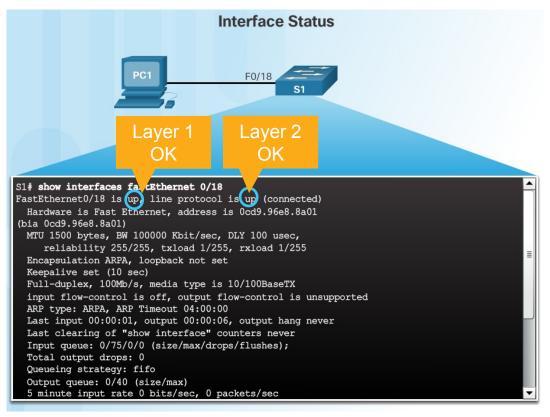


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### Network Access Layer Issues

- Use the show interfaces command to detect common media issues.
- The first parameter refers to Layer 1, the physical layer, and indicates if the interface is receiving a carrier detect signal.
- The second parameter (protocol status) refers to the data link layer and indicates whether the data link layer protocol has been configured correctly and keepalives are being received.



Interface Status	Line Protocol Status	Link State
Up	Up	Operational
Down	Down	Interface Problem

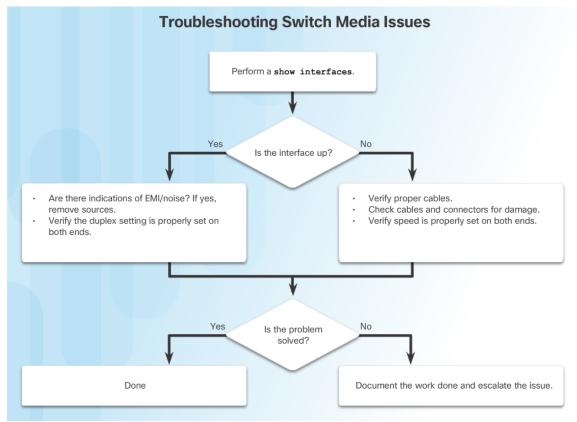
## Network Access Layer Issues (Cont.)

```
S1# show interfaces FastEthernet0/1
FastEthernet0/1 is up, line protocol is upHardware is Fast Ethernet, address is 0022.91c4.0e01 (bia 0022.91c4.0e01) MTU 1500 bytes, BW 100000 Kbit, DLY 100 usec, <output omitted>
2295197 packets input, 305539992 bytes, 0 no buffer Received 1925500 broadcasts, 0 runts, 0 giants, 0 throttles
3 input errors, 3 CRC, 0 frame, 0 overrun, 0 ignored
0 watchdog, 68 multicast, 0 pause input
0 input packets with dribble condition detected
3594664 packets output, 436549843 bytes, 0 underruns
8 output errors, 1790 collisions, 10 interface resets
0 unknown protocol drops
0 babbles, 235 late collision, 0 deferred
<output omitted>
```

Error Type	Description
Input Errors	Total number of errors. It includes runts, giants, no buffer, CRC, frame, overrun, and ignored counts.
Runts	Packets that are discarded because they are smaller than the minimum packet size for the medium. For instance, any Ethernet packet that is less than 64 bytes is considered a runt.
Giants	Packets that are discarded because they exceed the maximum packet size for the medium. For example, any Ethernet packet that is greater than 1,518 bytes is considered a giant.
CRC	CRC errors are generated when the calculated checksum is not the same as the checksum received.
Output Errors	Sum of all errors that prevented the final transmission of datagrams out of the interface that is being examined.
Collisions	Number of messages retransmitted because of an Ethernet collision.
Late Collisions	A collison that occurs after 512 bits of the frame have been transmitted.



## Troubleshooting Network Access Layer Issues



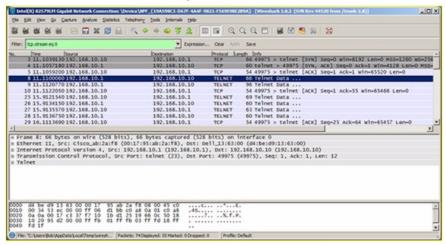


# 5.2 Switch Security

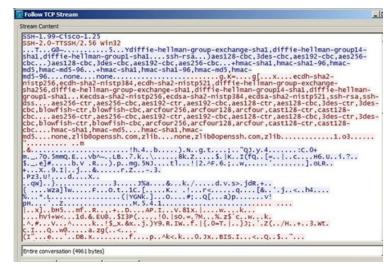
## **SSH Operation**

- Secure Shell (SSH)
  - An alternative protocol to Telnet. Telnet uses unsecure plaintext of the username and password
    as well as the data transmitted.
  - SSH is more secure because it provides an encrypted management connection.

#### **Wireshark Capture of Telnet**



#### **Wireshark Capture of SSH**



## SSH Operation (Cont.)

- A switch must have an IOS version (k9 at the end of the IOS file name) that includes cryptographic capabilities in order to configure and use SSH.
  - Use the show version command to see the IOS version.

```
S1> show version
Cisco IOS Software, C2960 Software (C2960-LANBASEK9-M),
Version 15.0(2)SE, RELEASE SOFTWARE (fc1)
<output omitted>
```

## Configuring SSH

- Verify SSH support.
- 2. Configure the IP domain name.
- 3. Generate RSA key pairs.
- 4. Configure user authentication.
- 5. Configure the vty lines.
- 6. Enable SSH version 2.

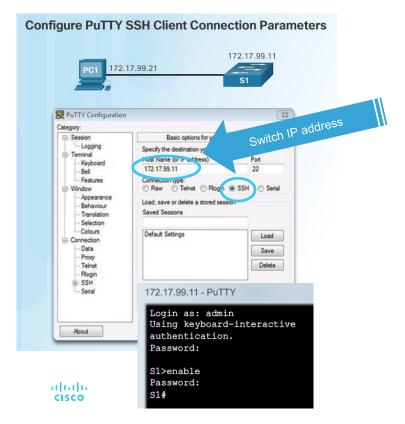
The login local command forces the use of the local database for username/ password.

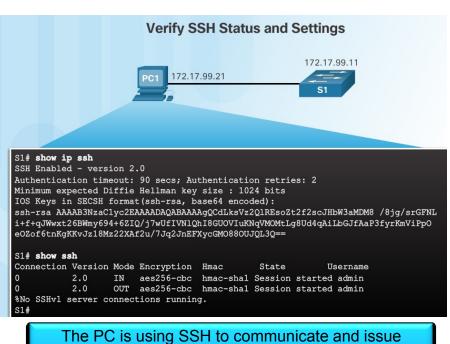
```
Commonly forgotten command that is used in key generation
```

```
S1# configure terminal
S1(config) # ip domain-name cisco.com
S1(config) # crypto key generate rsa
The name for the keys will be: S1.cisco.com
How many bits in the modulus [512]: 1024
S1(config) # username admin secret ccna
S1(config-line) # line vty 0 15
                                            Default is to accept both Telnet
S1(config-line) # transport input ssh
                                             and SSH (transport input all)
S1(config-line) # login local
S1(config-line)# exit
S1(config) # ip ssh version 2
S1(config)# exit
S1#
```

## Verifying SSH

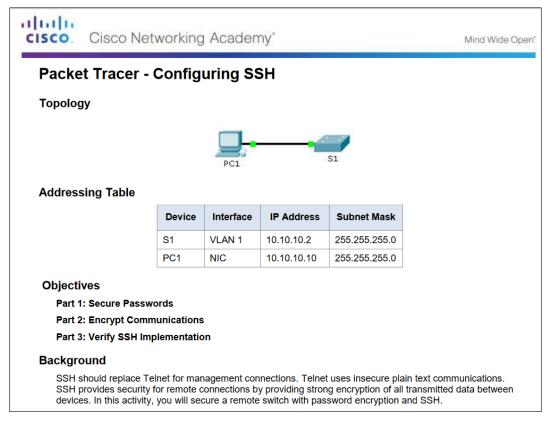
On the PC, connect to the switch using SSH.





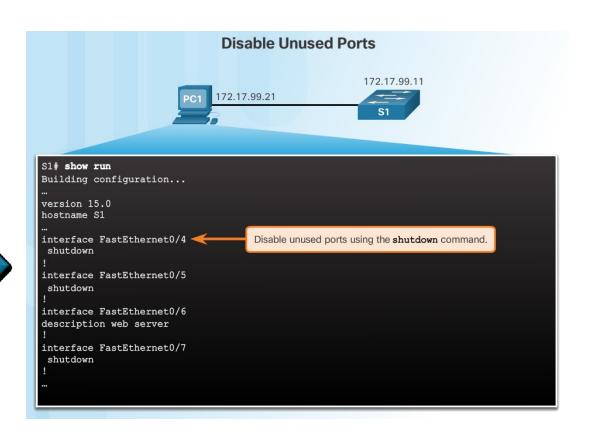
C is using SSH to communicate and issue commands on the switch.

## Packet Tracer – Configuring SSH



#### Secure Unused Ports

The interface range command can be used to apply a configuration to several switch ports at one time.



## Port Security: Operation

- Port security limits the number of valid MAC addresses allowed to transmit data through a switch port.
  - If a port has port security enabled and an unknown MAC address sends data, the switch presents a security violation.
  - Default number of secure MAC addresses allowed is 1.
- Methods use to configure MAC addresses within port security:
  - Static secure MAC addresses manually configure

#### switchport port-security mac-address mac-address

- Dynamic secure MAC addresses dynamically learned and removed if the switch restarts
- Sticky secure MAC addresses dynamically learned and added to the running configuration (which can later be saved to the startup-config to permanently retain the MAC addresses)

#### switchport port-security mac-address sticky mac-address

**Note**: Disabling sticky learning converts sticky MAC addresses to dynamic secure addresses and removes them from the running-config.

## Port Security: Violation Modes

- Protect data from unknown source MAC addresses are dropped; a security notification IS NOT presented by the switch
- Restrict data from unknown source MAC addresses are dropped; a security notification IS presented by the switch and the violation counter increments.
- Shutdown (default mode) interface becomes error-disabled and port LED turns off. The violation counter increments. Issues the shutdown and then the no shutdown command on the interface to bring it out of the error-disabled state.

Violation Mode	Forwards Traffic	Sends Syslog Message	Displays Error Message	Increases Violation Counter	Shuts Down Port
Protect	No	No	No	No	No
Restrict	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Shutdown	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

#### Security Violations Occur In These Situations

- A station with MAC address that is not in the address table attempts to access the interface when the table
  is full.
- An address is being used on two secure interfaces in the same VLAN.



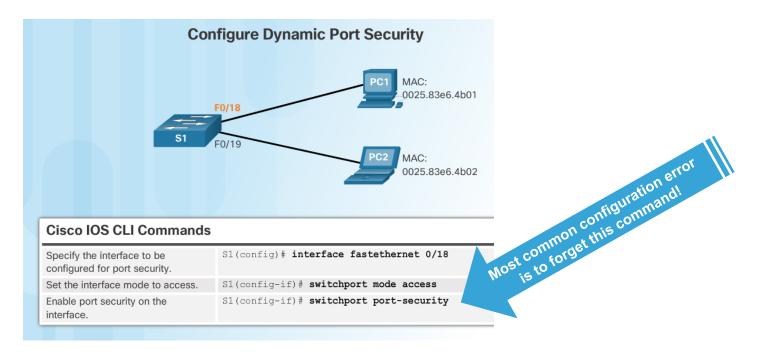
## Port Security: Configuring

Feature	Default Setting
Port security	Disabled on a port
Maximum number of secure MAC addresses	1
Violation mode	Shutdown. The port shuts down when the maximum number of secure MAC addresses is exceeded.
Sticky address learning	Disabled

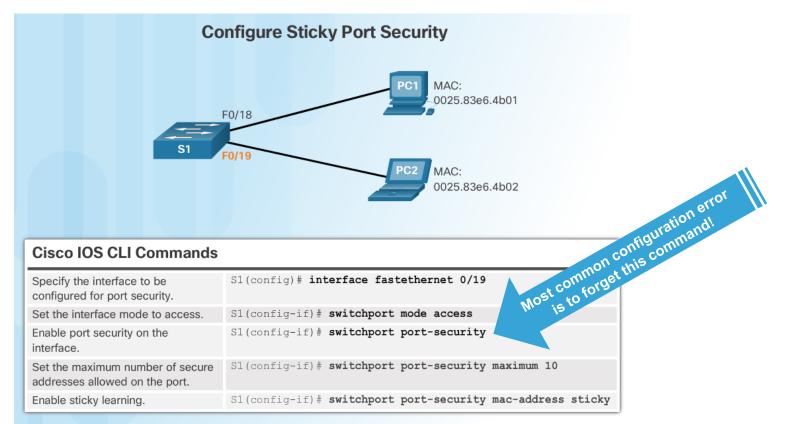


## Port Security: Configuring (Cont.)

 Before configuring port-security features, place the port in access mode and use the switchport port-security interface configuration command to enable port security on an interface.



## Port Security: Configuring (Cont.)





## Port Security: Verifying

 Use the show port-security interface command to verify the maximum number of MAC addresses allowed on a particular port and how many of those addresses were learned dynamically using sticky.

#### **Dynamic** Sticky

```
S1# show port-security interface fastethernet 0/18
Port Security
                             : Enabled
Port Status
                            : Secure-up
Violation Mode
                            : Shutdown
Aging Time
                            : 0 mins
                            : Absolute
Aging Type
SecureStatic Address Aging : Disabled
Maximum MAC Addresses
Total MAC Addresses
                             : 1
Configured MAC Addresses
                            : 0
Sticky MAC Addresses
                            : 0
Last Source Address: Vlan
                            : 0025.83e6.4b01:1
Security Violation Count
                            : 0
```

```
S1# show port-security interface fastethernet 0/19
Port Security
                             : Enabled
Port Status
                             : Secure-up
Violation Mode
                             : Shutdown
Aging Time
                             : 0 mins
Aging Type
                             : Absolute
SecureStatic Address Aging
                            : Disabled
Maximum MAC Addresses
                            : 10
Total MAC Addresses
                             : 1
Configured MAC Addresses
                             : 0
Sticky MAC Addresses
Last Source Address: Vlan
                             : 0025.83e6.4b02:1
Security Violation Count
                            : 0
```

## Port Security: Verifying (Cont.)

 Use the show running-config command to see learned MAC addresses added to the configuration.

```
S1# show run | begin FastEthernet 0/19
interface FastEthernet0/19
switchport mode access
switchport port-security maximum 10
switchport port-security
switchport port-security mac-address sticky
switchport port-security mac-address sticky
switchport port-security mac-address sticky
0025.83e6.4b02
```

The show port-security address command shows how MAC addresses were learned on a particular port.

secure	e Mac Address Tabi	re 		
Vlan	Mac Address	Туре	Ports	Remaining Age (mins)
1	0025.83e6.4b01	SecureDynamic	Fa0/18	-
1	0025.83e6.4b02	SecureSticky	Fa0/19	_

#### Ports in Error Disabled State

Switch console messages display when a port security violation occurs. Notice the port link status changes to down.

```
Sep 20 06:44:54.966: %PM-4-ERR_DISABLE: psecure-violation error detected on Fa0/18, putting Fa0/18 in err-disable state

Sep 20 06:44:54.966: %PORT_SECURITY-2-PSECURE_VIOLATION: Security violation occurred, caused by MAC address 000c.292b.4c75 on port FastEthernet0/18.

Sep 20 06:44:55.973: %LINEPROTO-5-PPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface
FastEthernet0/18, changed state to down

Sep 20 06:44:56.971: %LINK-3-UPDOWN: Interface FastEthernet0/18, changed state to down
```

## Ports in Error Disabled State (Cont.)

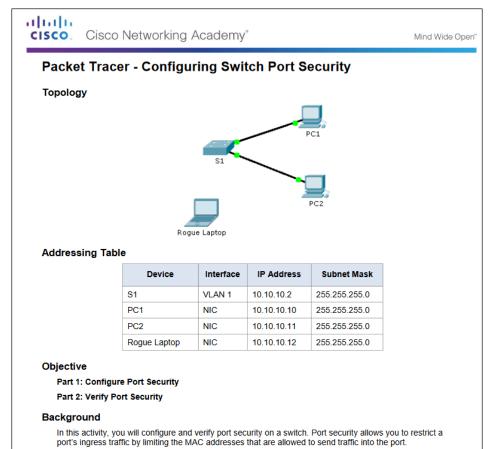
 Check the port status and the port security settings.

```
S1# show interface fa0/18 status
Port Name Status
                         Vlan Duplex
                                       Speed
                                               Type
Fa0/18
           err-disabled 1
                               auto
                                       auto
                                               10/100BaseTX
S1# show port-security interface fastethernet 0/18
Port Security
                            : Enabled
Port Status
                            : Secure-shutdown
Violation Mode
                            : Shutdown
Aging Time
                            : 0 mins
Aging Type
                            : Absolute
SecureStatic Address Aging : Disabled
Maximum MAC Addresses
Total MAC Addresses
                            : 0
Configured MAC Addresses
                            : 0
Sticky MAC Addresses
                            : 0
Last Source Address: Vlan
                            : 000c.292b.4c75:1
Security Violation Count
                            : 1
```

- Do not re-enable a port until the security threat is investigated and eliminated.
- Notice that you must first shut the port down and then issue the **no shutdown** command in order to use the particular port again after a security violation has occurred.

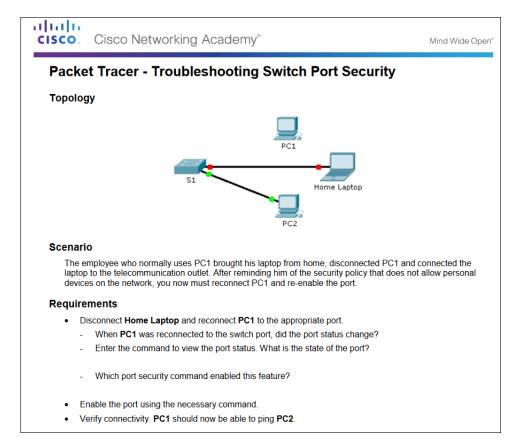
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S1(config)# interface FastEthernet 0/18
S1(config-if)# shutdown
Sep 20 06:57:28.532: %LINK-5-CHANGED: Interface FastEthernet0/18, changed state to administratively down
S1(config-if)# no shutdown
Sep 20 06:57:48.186: %LINK-3-UPDOWN: Interface FastEthernet0/18, changed state to up
Sep 20 06:57:49.193: %LINEPROTO-5-UPDOWN: Line protocol on Interface
FastEthernet0/18, changed state to up
```

## Packet Tracer – Configuring Switch Port Security



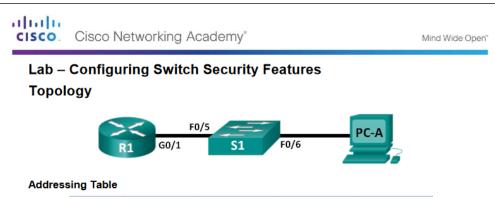


## Packet Tracer – Troubleshooting Switch Port Security





## Packet Tracer – Configuring Switch Security Features



Device	Interface	IP Address	Subnet Mask	Default Gateway
R1	G0/1	172.16.99.1	255.255.255.0	N/A
S1	VLAN 99	172.16.99.11	255.255.255.0	172.16.99.1
PC-A	NIC	172.16.99.3	255.255.255.0	172.16.99.1

#### Objectives

Part 1: Set up the Topology and Initialize Devices

Part 2: Configure Basic Device Settings and Verify Connectivity

Part 3: Configure and Verify SSH Access on S1

- Configure SSH access.
- Modify SSH parameters.
- · Verify the SSH configuration.

#### Part 4: Configure and Verify Security Features on S1

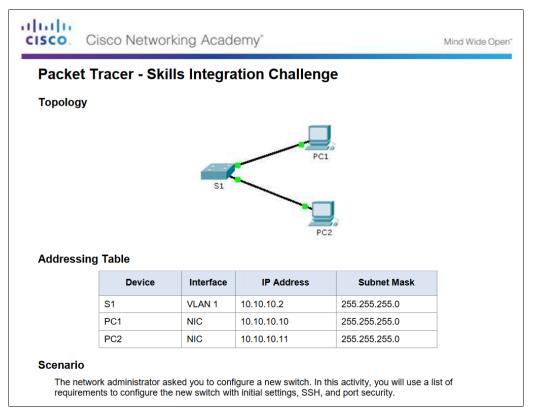
- Configure and verify general security features.
- Configure and verify port security.

# 5.3 Chapter Summary



#### Conclusion

## Packet Tracer - Skills Integration Challenge





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## Chapter 5: Switch Configuration

- Configure basic switch settings to meet network requirements.
- Configure a switch using security best practices in a small to medium-sized business network.



