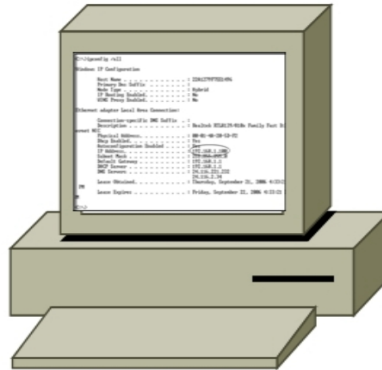


Lab 3.3.6 Determine the IP Address of a Computer



Objective

- Use the **ipconfig /all** command to determine the IP address of a Windows XP host on an Ethernet network.

Background / Preparation

Every computer connected to the Internet has a unique identifier, called an IP address. IP addresses are displayed as four numbers, known as octets, separated by periods (example: 192.168.1.4). The **ipconfig /all** command displays your computer's IP address and information about the network. The following resources are required:

- A workstation that is attached to the local network and that has its IP address already configured
- Access to the **Run** command

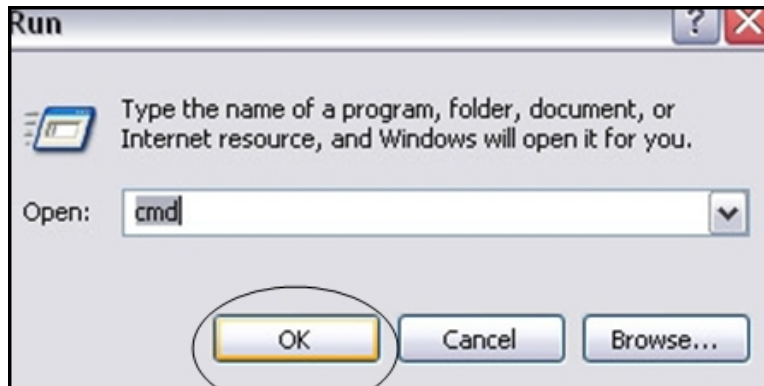
In this lab you will locate your computer's IP address to discover its unique number.

Step 1: Determine the IP address of the computer

- From the Windows XP desktop, click the **Start** button, and then click **Run**.



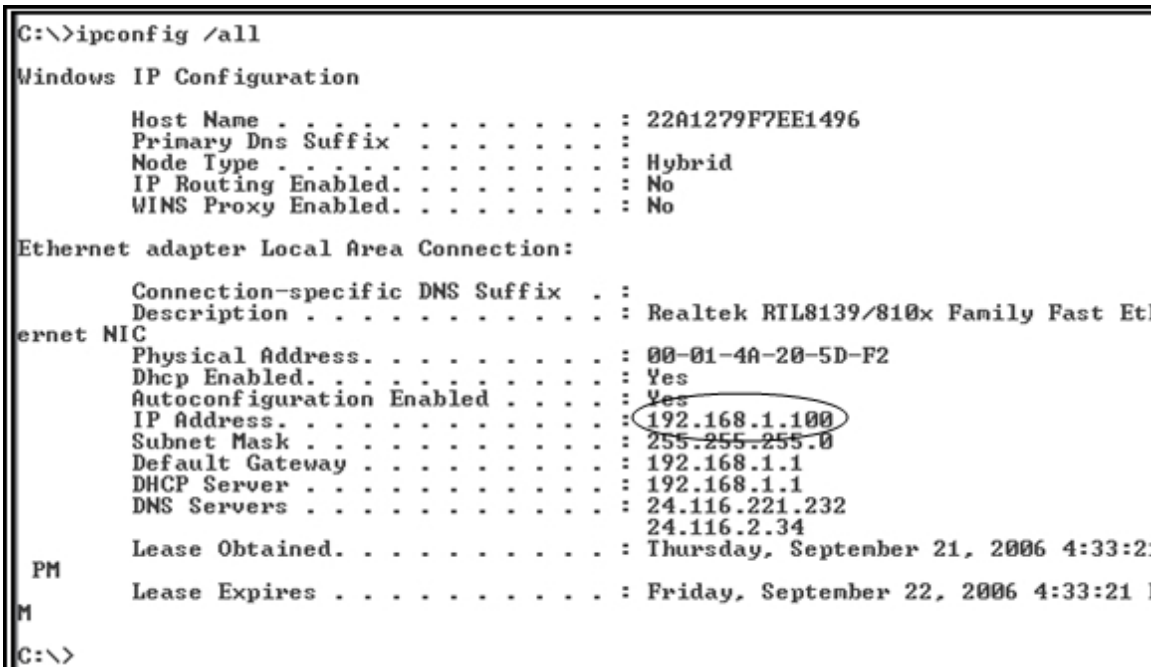
- b. In the Run dialog box, type **cmd** then click the **OK** button.



- c. At the command prompt, type **ipconfig /all** and press Enter.

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C:\>ipconfig /all
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- d. The **ipconfig /all** command then displays a list of information about your computer's IP configuration. An example is shown in the following figure. The information displayed for your computer will be different.



- e. Locate the IP address and record the finding.
IP address _____
- f. Why is it important that a computer get an IP address? _____
