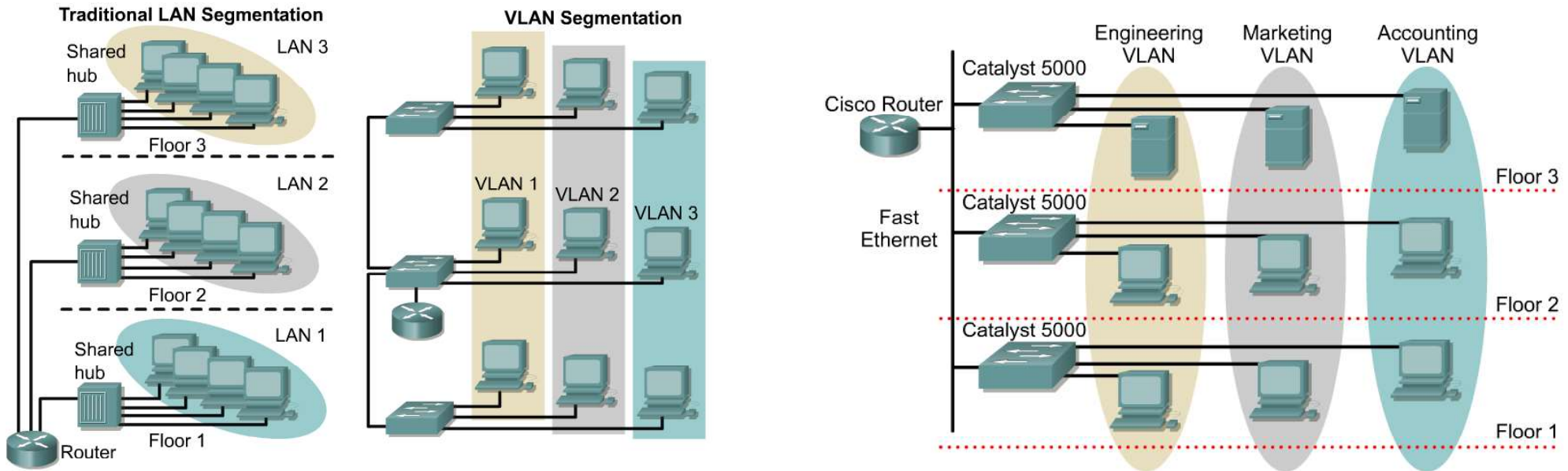


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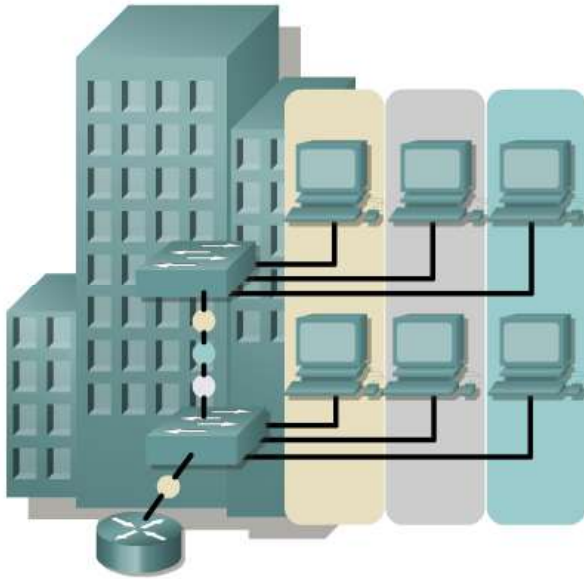
- VLAN
- Trunking
- Configure
- Troubleshoot

# VLAN introduction



- **VLANs provide segmentation based on broadcast domains.**
- VLANs logically segment switched networks based on the functions, project teams, or applications of the organization regardless of the physical location or connections to the network.
- All workstations and servers used by a particular workgroup share the same VLAN, regardless of the physical connection or location.

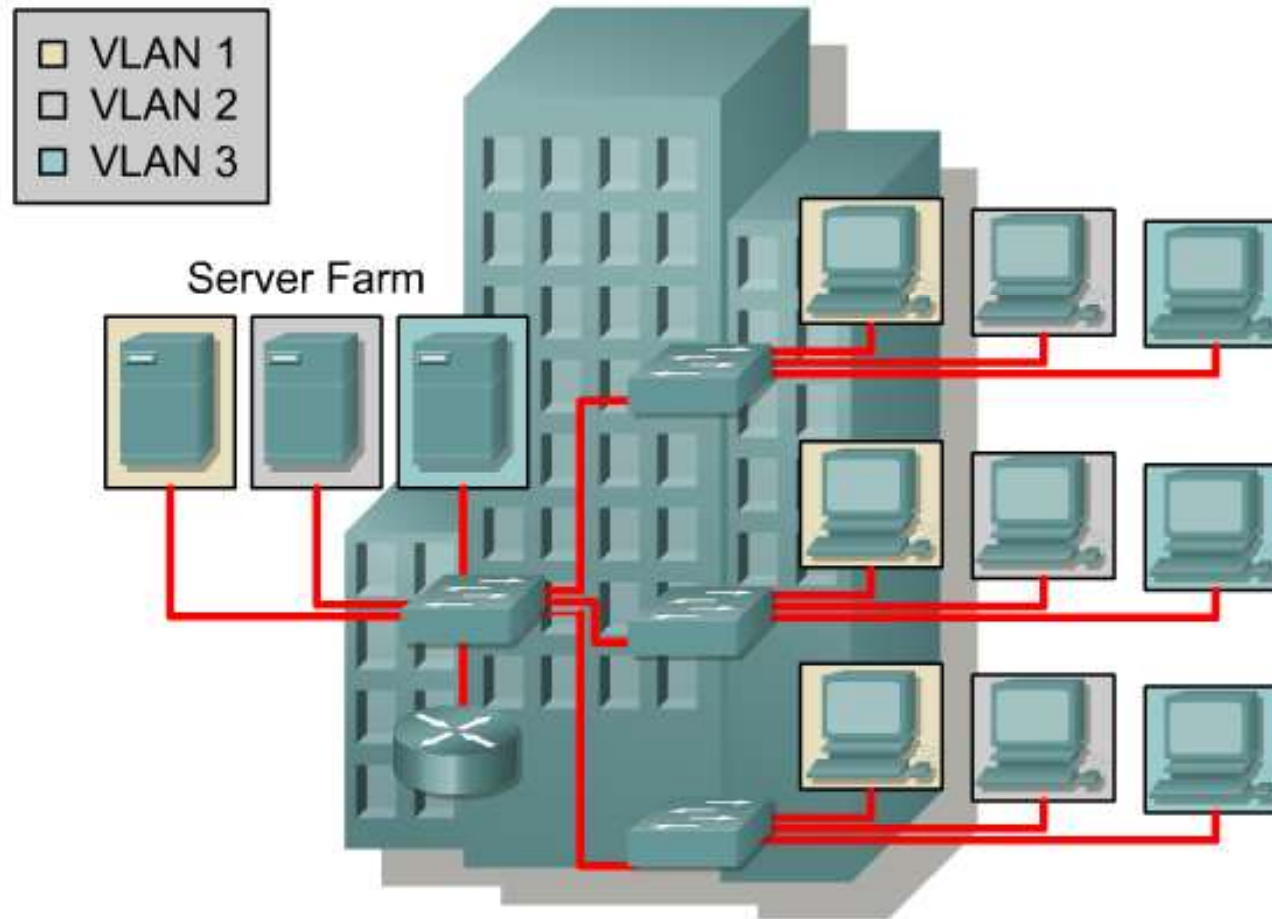
# VLAN introduction



- A group of ports or users in same broadcast domain
- Can be based on port ID, MAC address, protocol, or application
- LAN switches and network management software provide a mechanism to create VLANs
- Frame tagged with VLAN ID

- **VLANs are created to provide segmentation services traditionally provided by physical routers in LAN configurations.**
- VLANs address scalability, security, and network management. Routers in VLAN topologies provide broadcast filtering, security, and traffic flow management.
- Switches may not bridge any traffic between VLANs, as this would violate the integrity of the VLAN broadcast domain.
- Traffic should only be routed between VLANs.

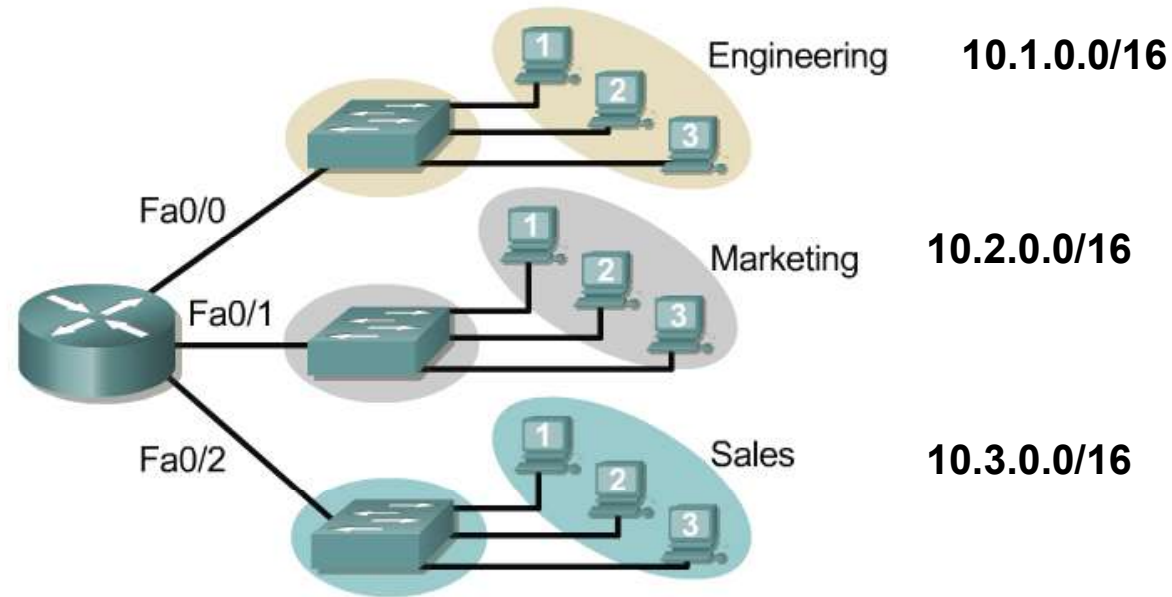
# Broadcast domains with VLANs and routers



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- The network design above creates three separate broadcast domains.

# Broadcast domains with VLANs and routers

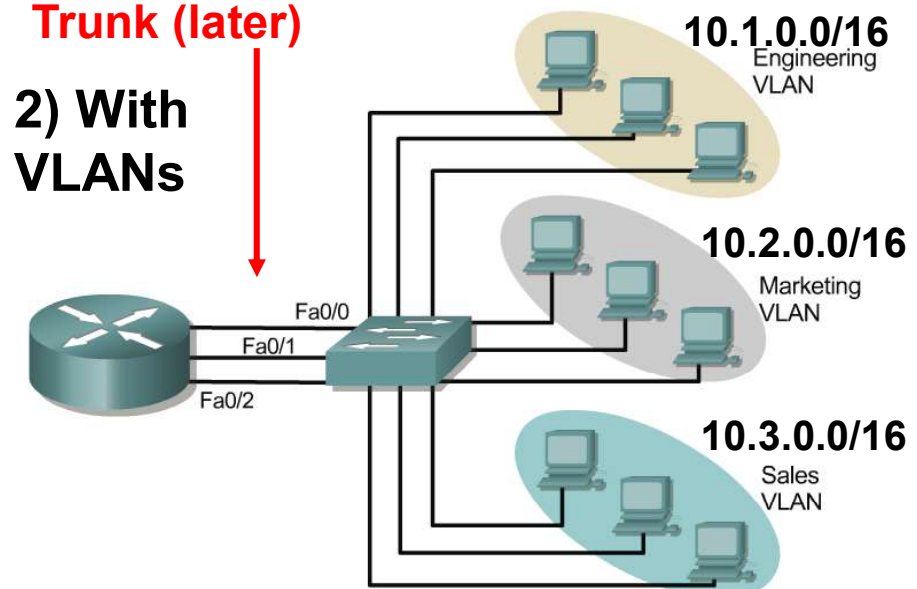
## 1) Without VLANs



- 1) Without VLANs, each group is on a different IP network and on a different switch.
- 2) Using VLANs. Switch is configured with the ports on the appropriate VLAN. Still, each group on a different IP network; however, They are all on the same switch.
- What are the broadcast domains in each?

## 2) With VLANs

**One link per VLAN or a single VLAN Trunk (later)**

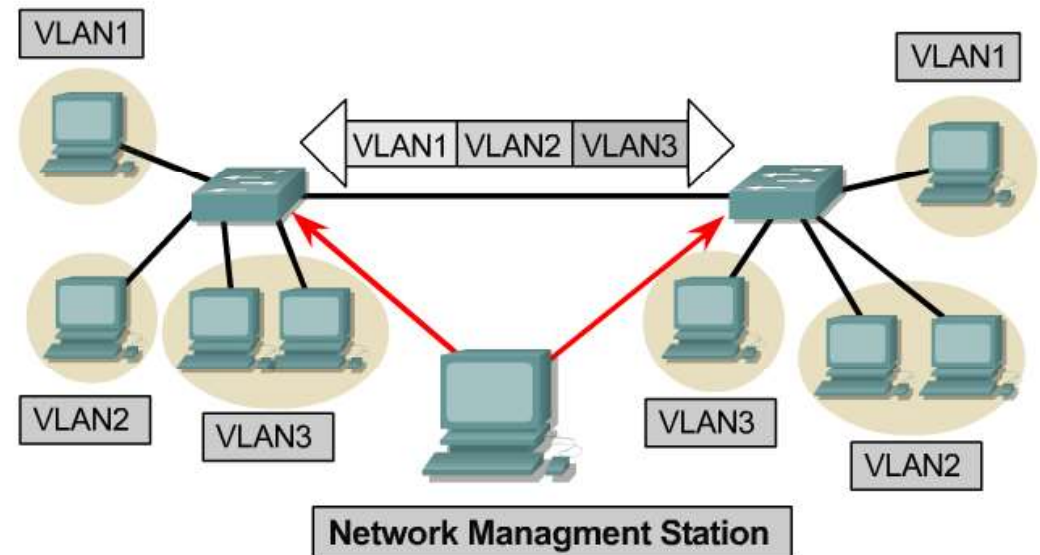


# VLAN operation

Configuring VLANs	Description
Statically	<p>Network administrators configure port-by-port.</p> <p>Each Port is associated with a specific VLAN.</p> <p>The network administrator is responsible for keying in the mappings between the ports and VLANs.</p>
Dynamically	<p>The ports are able to dynamically work out their VLAN configuration.</p> <p>Uses a software database of MAC address to VLAN mappings (which the network administrator must set up first).</p>

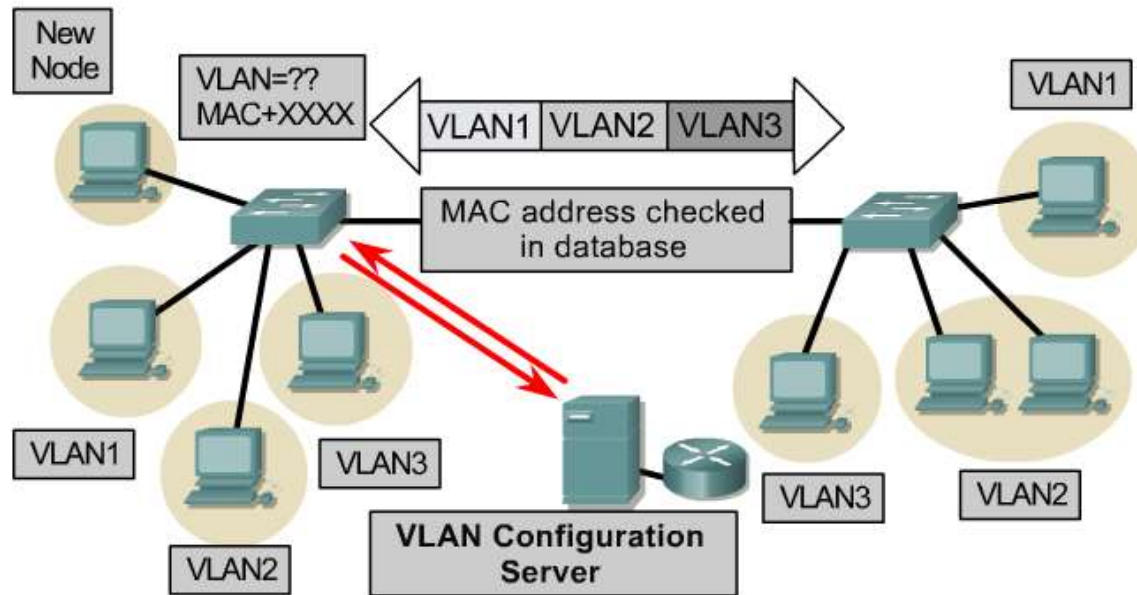
- Each switch port can be assigned to a different VLAN.
- Ports assigned to the same VLAN share broadcasts.
- Ports that do not belong to that VLAN do not share these broadcasts.

# VLAN operation



- **Static membership VLANs are called port-based and port-centric membership VLANs.**
- As a device enters the network, it automatically assumes the VLAN membership of the port to which it is attached.
- “The **default VLAN** for every port in the switch is the management VLAN. The management VLAN is always VLAN 1 **and may not be deleted.**”
  - ***This statement does not give the whole story. We will examine Management, Default and other VLANs at the end.***
- All other ports on the switch may be reassigned to alternate VLANs.
- More on VLAN 1 later.

# VLAN operation

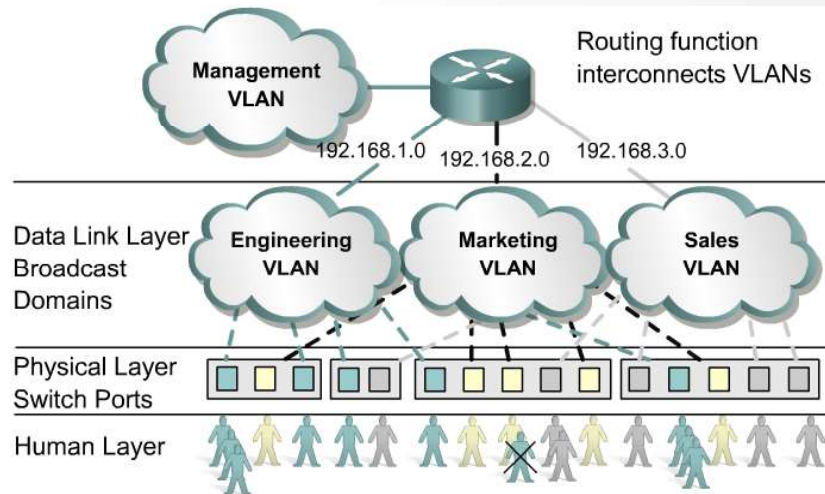


- **Dynamic membership VLANs are created through network management software. (Not as common as static VLANs)**
- **CiscoWorks 2000 or CiscoWorks for Switched Internetworks is used to create Dynamic VLANs.**
- Dynamic VLANs allow for membership based on the MAC address of the device connected to the switch port.
- As a device enters the network, it queries a database within the switch for a VLAN membership.



# Benefits of VLANs

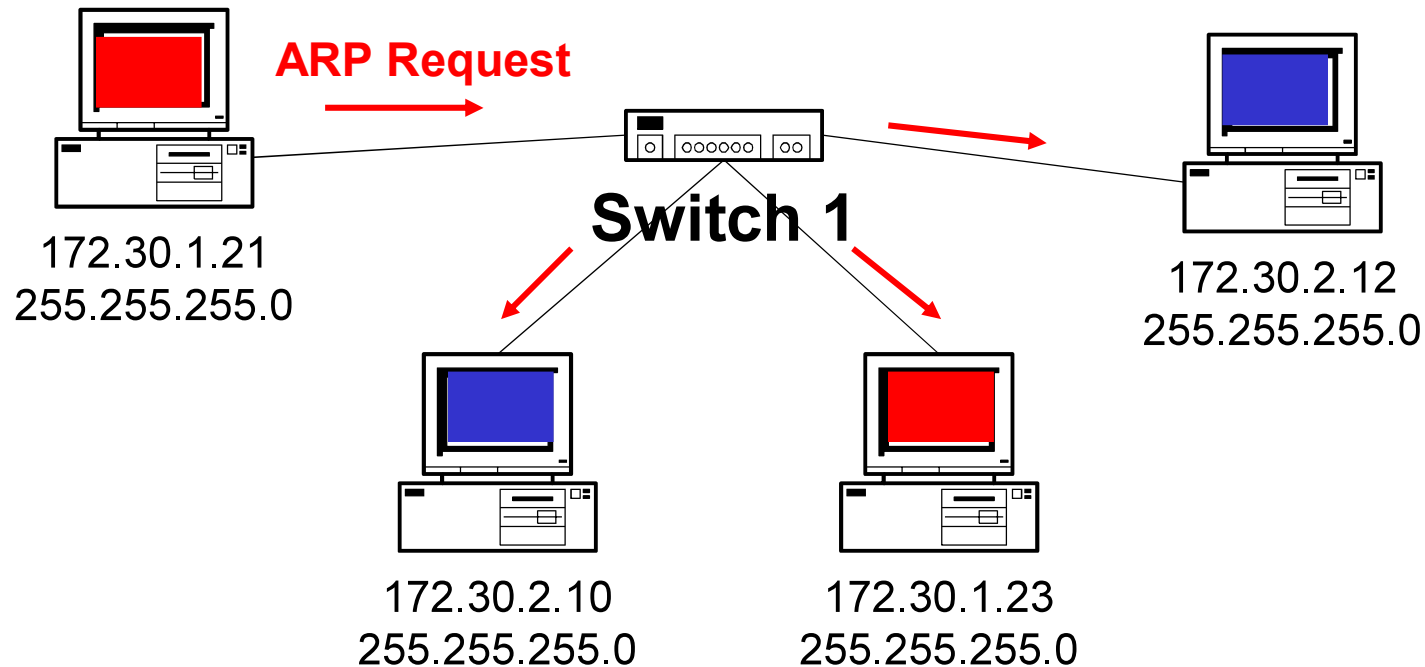
All users attached to the same switch port must be in the same VLAN.



**If a hub is connected to VLAN port on a switch, all devices on that hub must belong to the same VLAN.**

- The key benefit of VLANs is that they permit the network administrator to organize the LAN logically instead of physically.
- This means that an administrator is able to do all of the following:
  - Easily move workstations on the LAN.
  - Easily add workstations to the LAN.
  - Easily change the LAN configuration.
  - Easily control network traffic.
  - Improve security.

# Without VLANs – No Broadcast Control

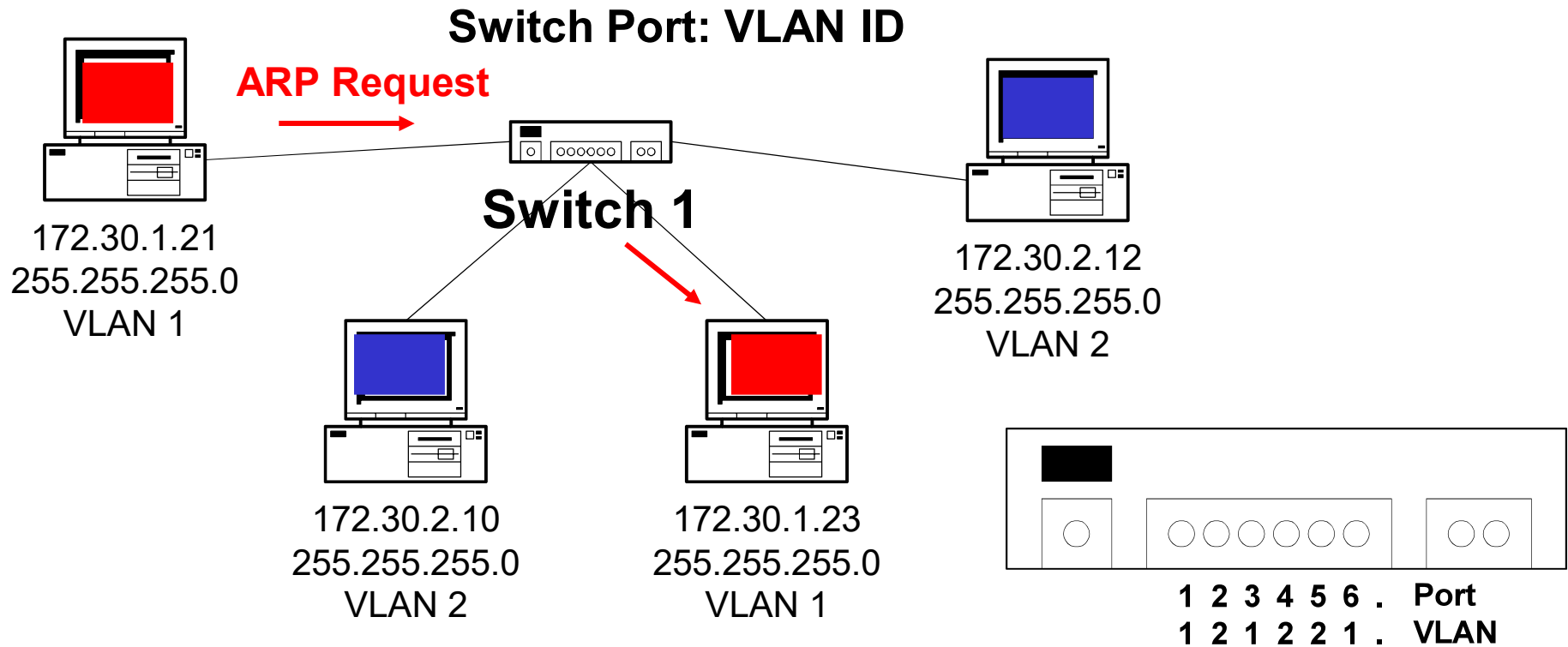


## No VLANs

- Same as a single VLAN
- Two Subnets

- Without VLANs, the ARP Request would be seen by all hosts.
- Again, consuming unnecessary network bandwidth and host processing cycles.

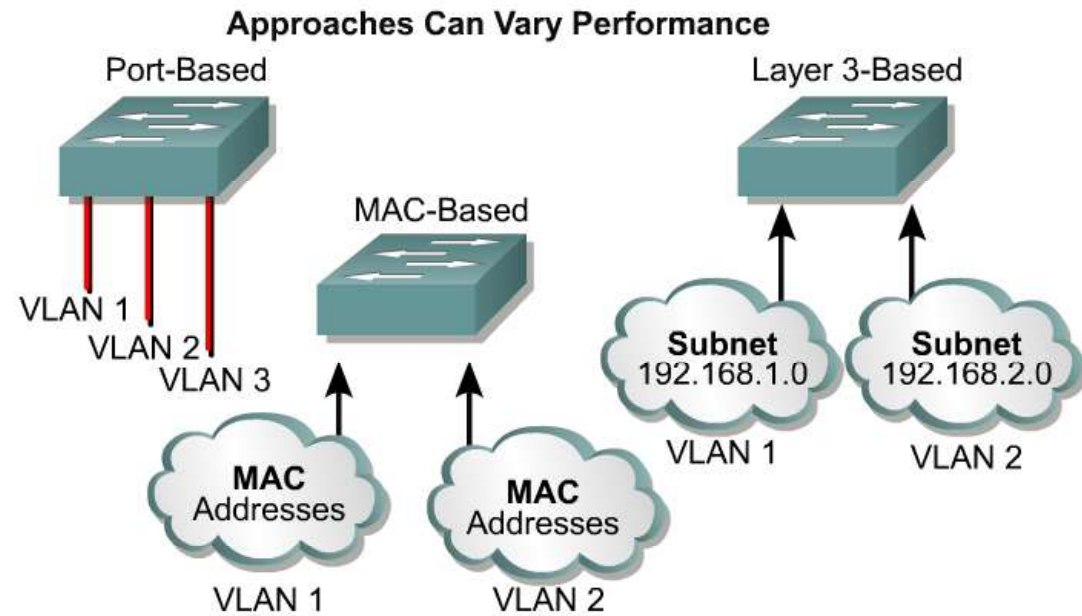
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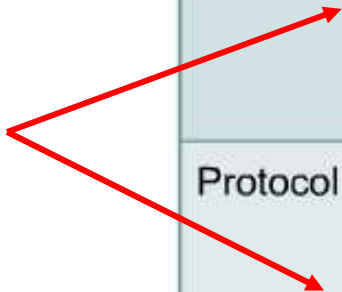
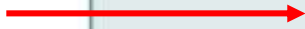
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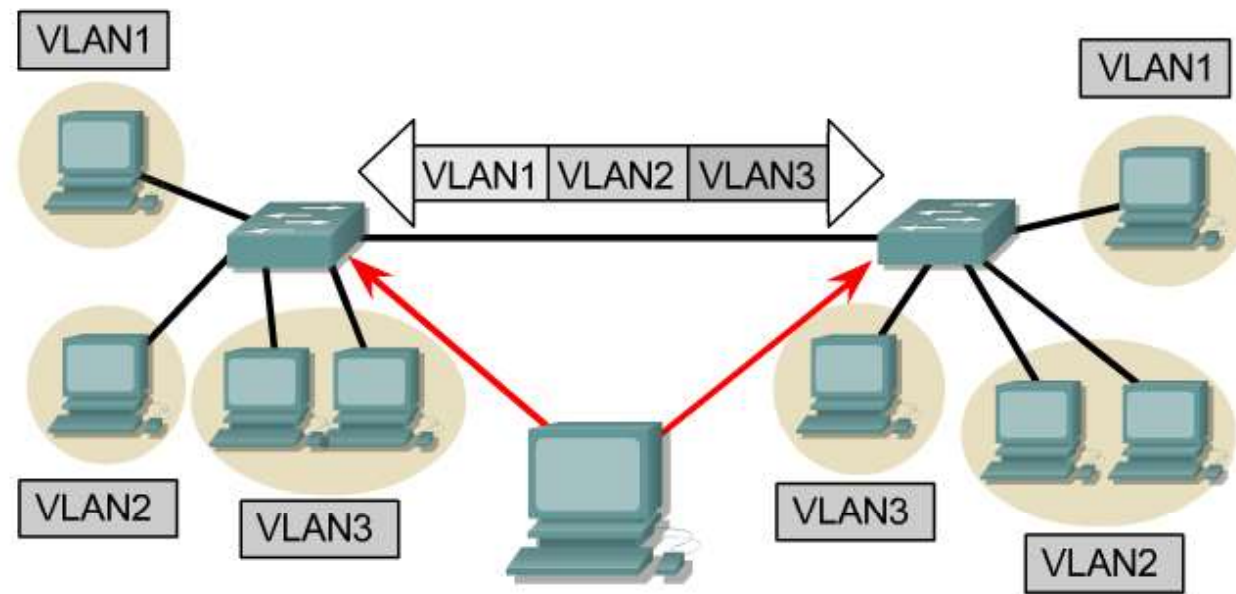
# VLAN Types



VLAN Types	Description
Port-based	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most common configuration method.</li> <li>• Ports assigned individually, in groups, in rows, or across 2 or more switches.</li> <li>• Simple to use.</li> <li>• Often implemented where Dynamic Host Control Protocol (DHCP) is used to assign IP addresses to network hosts.</li> </ul>
MAC address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rarely implemented today.</li> <li>• Each address must be entered into the switch and configured individually.</li> <li>• Users find it useful.</li> <li>• Difficult to administer, troubleshoot and manage.</li> </ul>
Protocol Based	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Configured like MAC addresses, but instead uses a logical or IP address.</li> <li>• No longer common because of DHCP.</li> </ul>



# VLAN Tagging



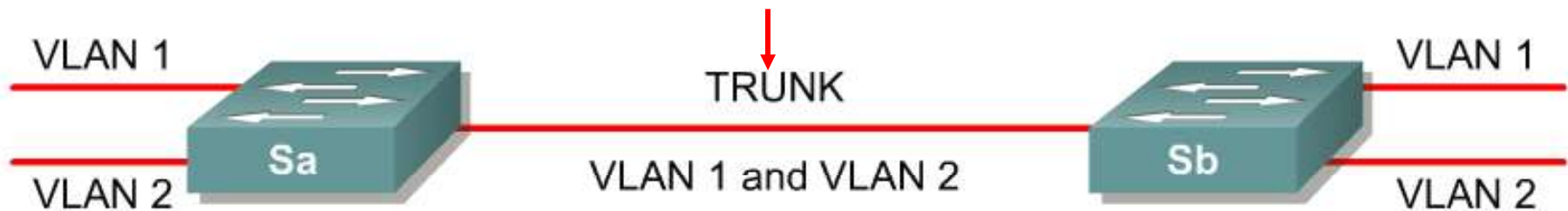
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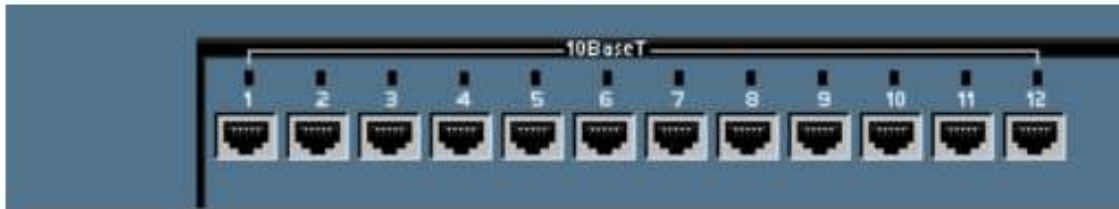
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# VLAN Tagging

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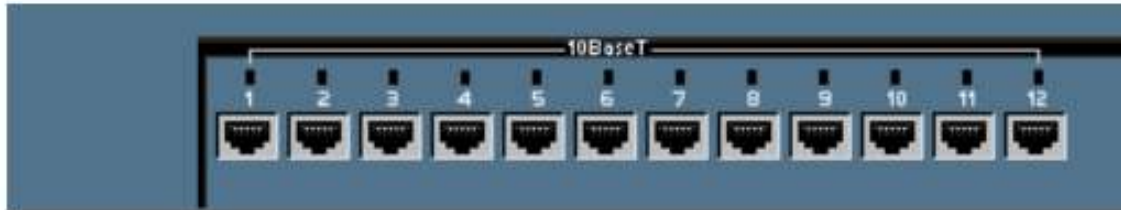
# Configuring static VLANs



- The following guidelines must be followed when configuring VLANs on Cisco 29xx switches:
  - The maximum number of VLANs is switch dependent.
    - 29xx switches commonly allow 4,095 VLANs
  - VLAN 1 is one of the factory-default VLANs.
  - VLAN 1 is the default Ethernet VLAN.
  - Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP) and VLAN Trunking Protocol (VTP) advertisements are sent on VLAN 1.
  - The Catalyst 29xx IP address is in the VLAN 1 broadcast domain by default.



# Creating VLANs



- **Assigning access ports (non-trunk ports) to a specific VLAN**

```
Switch(config) #interface fastethernet 0/9
```

```
Switch(config-if) #switchport access vlan vlan_number
```

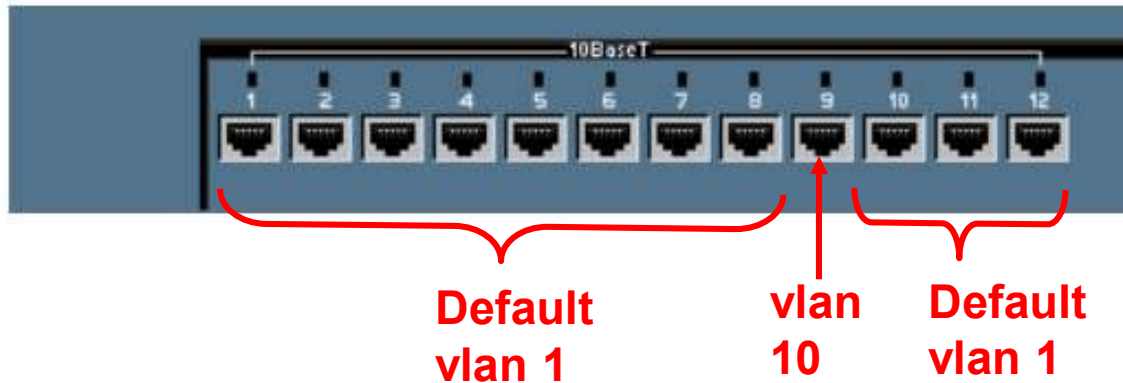
- **Create the VLAN:**

```
Switch#vlan database
```

```
Switch(vlan) #vlan vlan_number
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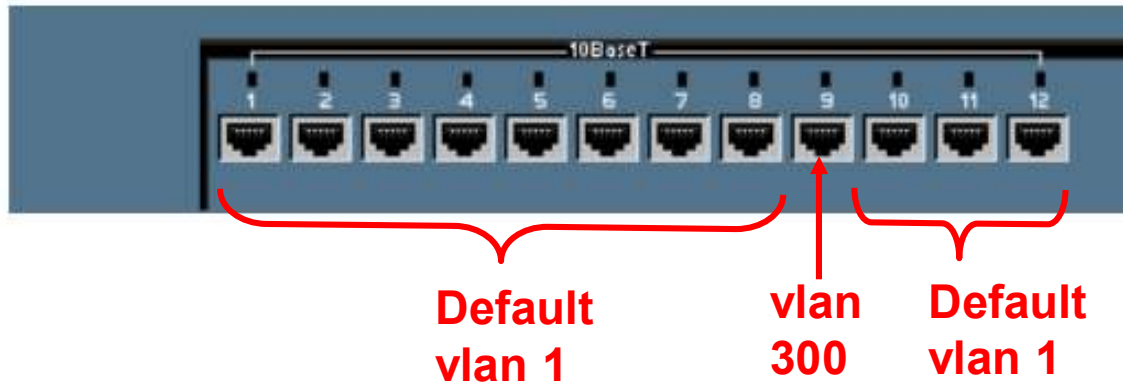
```
Switch(vlan) #exit
```

# Creating VLANs



- Assign ports to the VLAN  
Switch(config) #**interface fastethernet 0/9**  
Switch(config-if) #**switchport access vlan 10**
- **access** – Denotes this port as an access port and not a trunk link (later)

# Creating VLANs

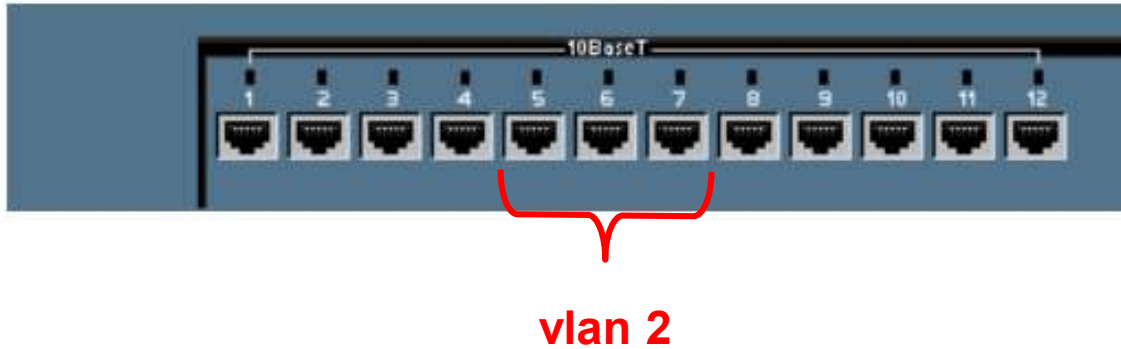


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Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

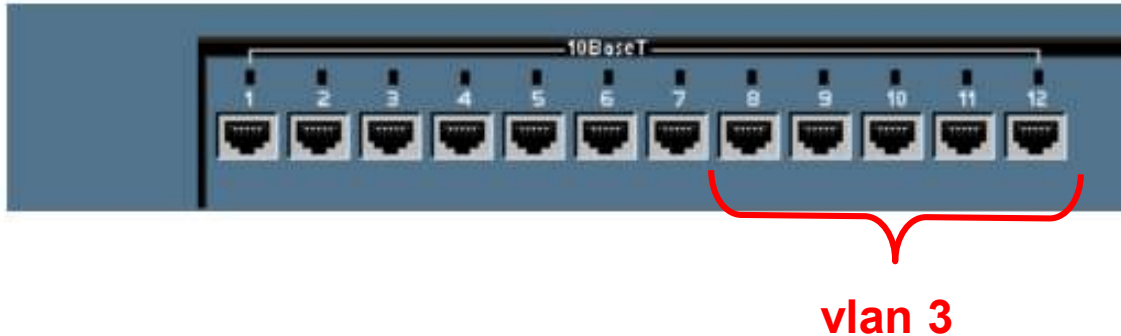
SydneySwitch#config terminal
SydneySwitch(config)#interface fastethernet 0/9
SydneySwitch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 300
SydneySwitch(config-if)#exit
SydneySwitch(config)#exit
```

# Configuring Ranges of VLANs



```
SydneySwitch (config) #interface fastethernet 0/5  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #switchport access vlan 2  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #exit  
SydneySwitch (config) #interface fastethernet 0/6  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #switchport access vlan 2  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #exit  
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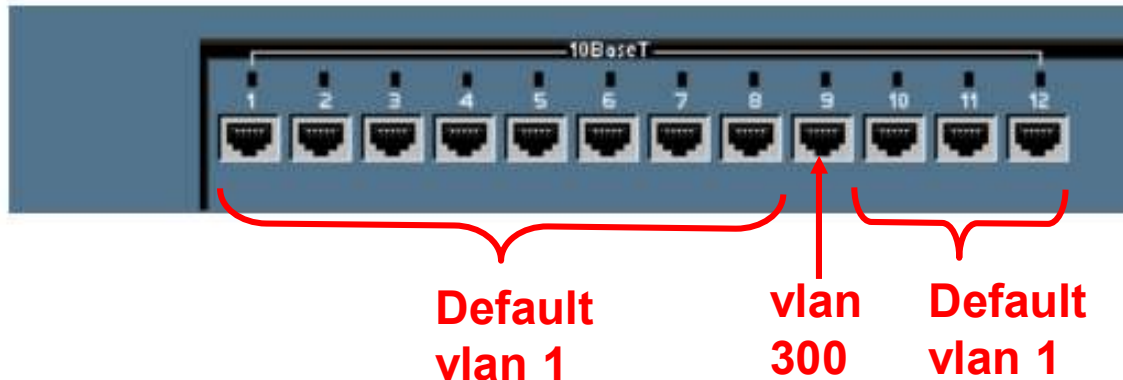
```
SydneySwitch (config) #interface range fastethernet 0/8,  
fastethernet 0/12
```

```
SydneySwitch (config-if) #switchport access vlan 3
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```
SydneySwitch (config-if) #exit
```

**This command does not work on all 2900 switches, such as the 2900 Series XL. It does work on the 2950.**

# Creating VLANs

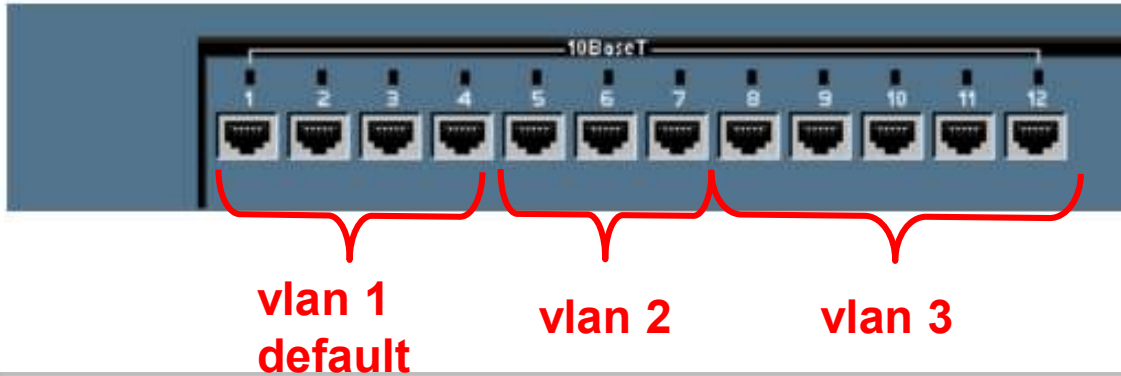


```
SydneySwitch (config) #interface fastethernet 0/1  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #switchport mode access  
SydneySwitch (config-if) #exit
```

**Note:** The `switchport mode access` command should be configured on all ports that the network administrator does not want to become a trunk port.

- This will be discussed in more in the next chapter, section on DTP.

# Verifying VLANs – show vlan



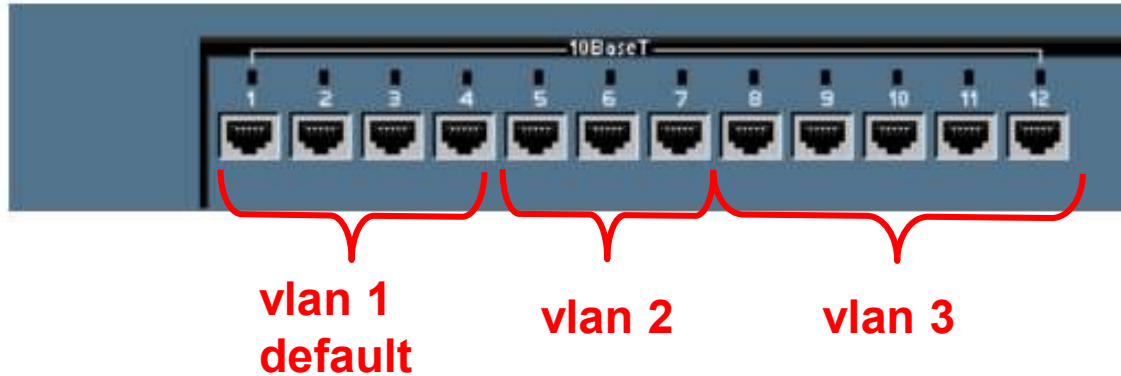
```
SydneySwitch#show vlan
```

VLAN	Name	Status	Ports
1	default	active	Fa0/1, Fa0/2, Fa0/3, Fa0/4
2	VLAN2	active	Fa0/5, Fa0/6, Fa0/7
3	VLAN3	active	Fa0/8, Fa0/9, Fa0/10, Fa0/11, Fa0/12
1002	fddi-default	active	
1003	token-ring-default	active	
1004	fddinet-default	active	
1005	trnet-default	active	

VLAN	Type	SAID	MTU	Parent	RingNo	BridgeNo	Stp	BrdgMode	Trans1	Trans2
1	enet	100001	1500	-	-	-	-	-	1002	1003
2	enet	100002	1500	-	-	-	-	-	0	0

# Verifying VLANs – show vlan brief



```
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```

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1002 fddi-default	active	
1003 token-ring-default	active	
1004 fddinet-default	active	
1005 trnet-default	active	



# vlan database commands

- Optional Command to add, delete, or modify VLANs.
- VLAN names, numbers, and **VTP** (VLAN Trunking Protocol) information can be entered which “may” affect other switches besides this one. (Discussed later).
- This does not assign any VLANs to an interface.

```
Switch#vlan database
```

```
Switch(vlan)#?
```

VLAN database editing buffer manipulation commands:

`abort` Exit mode without applying the changes

`apply` Apply current changes and bump revision number

`exit` Apply changes, bump revision number, and exit mode

`no` Negate a command or set its defaults

`reset` Abandon current changes and reread current database

`show` Show database information

`vlan` Add, delete, or modify values associated with a single VLAN

`vtp` Perform VTP administrative functions.

# Deleting a Port VLAN Membership

```
SydneySwitch#config terminal  
SydneySwitch(config)#interface fastethernet 0/9  
SydneySwitch(config-if)#switchport access vlan 300  
SydneySwitch(config-if)#exit  
SydneySwitch(config)#exit
```

```
Switch(config)#interface fastethernet 0/9  
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```

Switch(config-if)#**no switchport access vlan *vlan\_number***

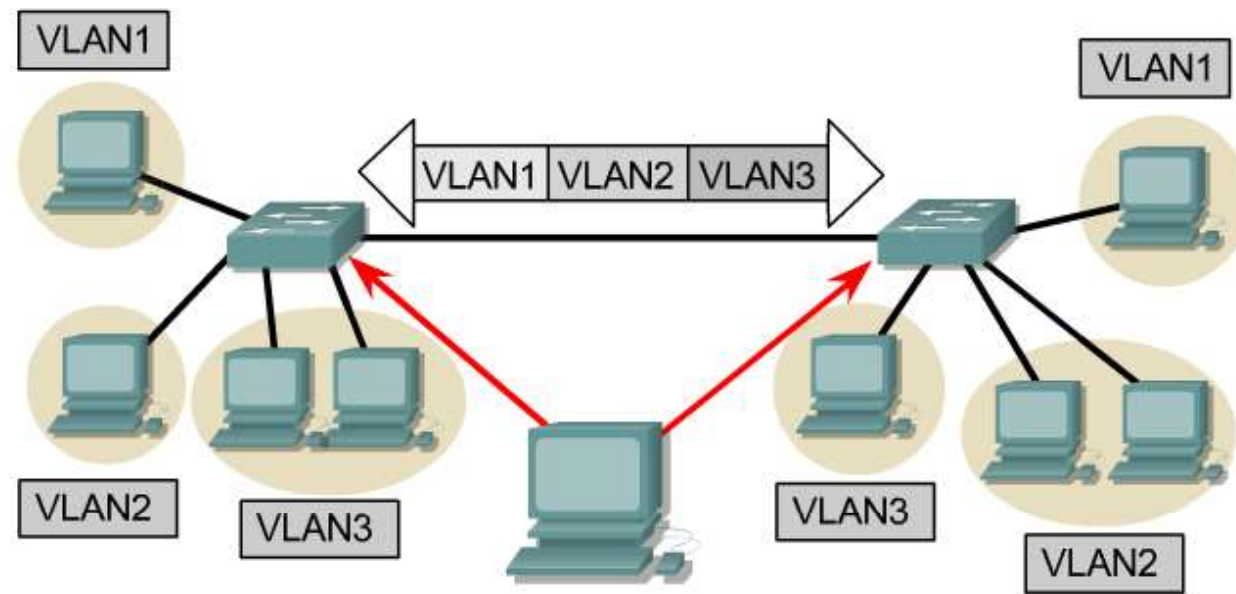
## Deleting a VLAN

- Switch#**vlan database**  
Switch(vlan)#**No vlan *vlan\_number***  
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# VLAN Tagging

We will begin with a review of VLAN tagging and a closer look at ISL and IEEE 802.1Q.

# VLAN Tagging



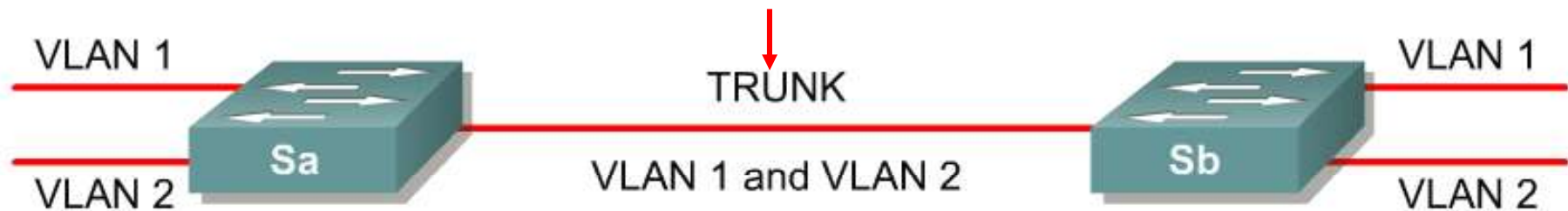
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# VLAN Tagging

## No VLAN Tagging



## VLAN Tagging



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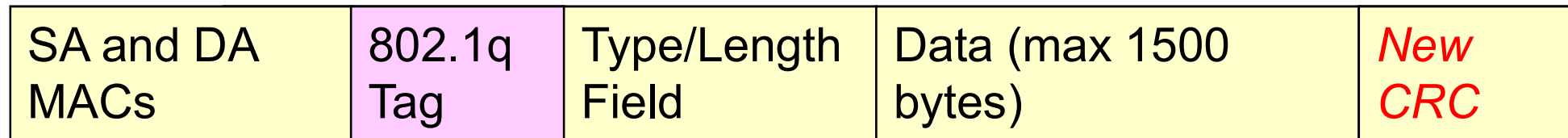
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# IEEE 802.1Q

NIC cards and networking devices can understand this “baby giant” frame (1522 bytes). However, a Cisco switch must remove this encapsulation before sending the frame out on an access link.



2-byte TPID

Tag Protocol Identifier

2-byte TCI

Tag Control Info (includes VLAN ID)

- Significantly less overhead than the ISL
- As opposed to the 30 bytes added by ISL, 802.1Q inserts only an additional 4 bytes into the Ethernet frame

# 802.1q

- A 4-byte tag header containing a tag protocol identifier (TPID) and tag control information (TCI) with the following elements:

## **TPID (Tag Protocol Identifier)**

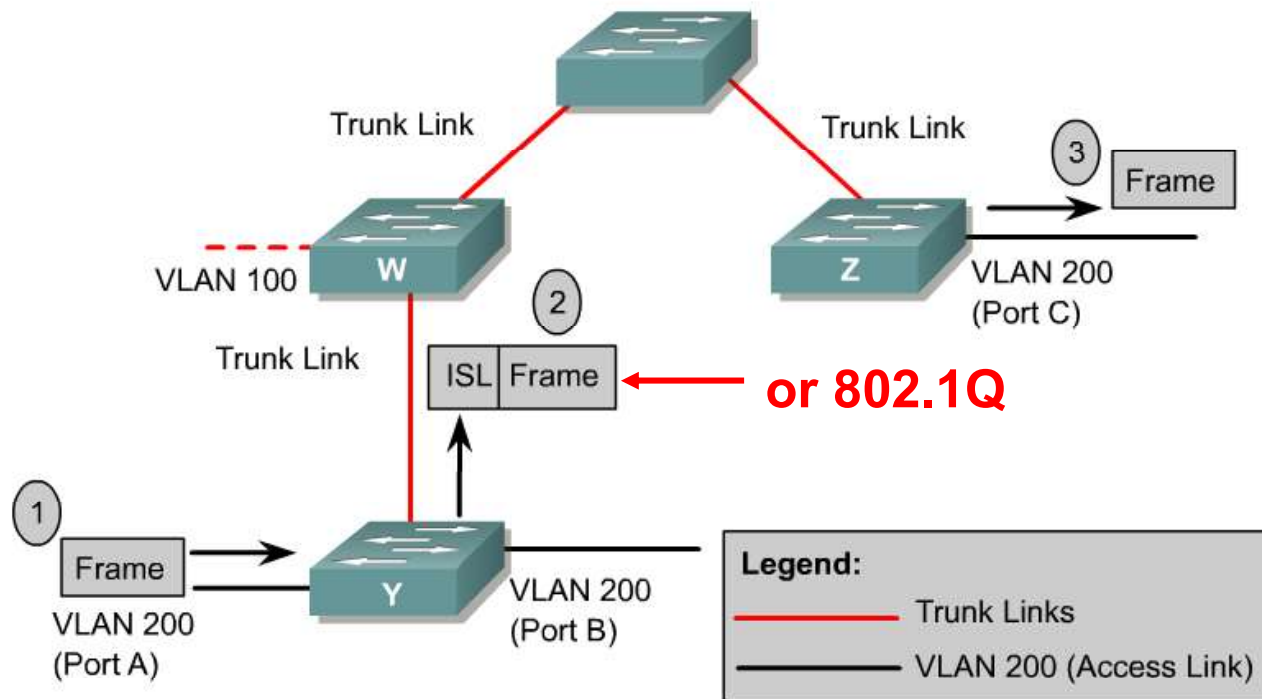
- A 2-byte TPID with a fixed value of 0x8100.
- This value indicates that the frame carries the 802.1Q/802.1p tag information.

## **TCI (Tag Control Information)**

- A TCI containing the following elements:
  - Three-bit user priority (8 priority levels, 0 thru 7)
  - One-bit canonical format (CFI indicator), 0 = canonical, 1 = noncanonical, to signal bit order in the encapsulated frame ([www.faqs.org/rfcs/rfc2469.html](http://www.faqs.org/rfcs/rfc2469.html) - “A Caution On the Canonical Ordering of Link-Layer Addresses”)
  - Twelve-bit VLAN identifier (VID)-Uniquely identifies the VLAN to which the frame belongs, defining 4,096 VLANs, with 0 and 4095 reserved.

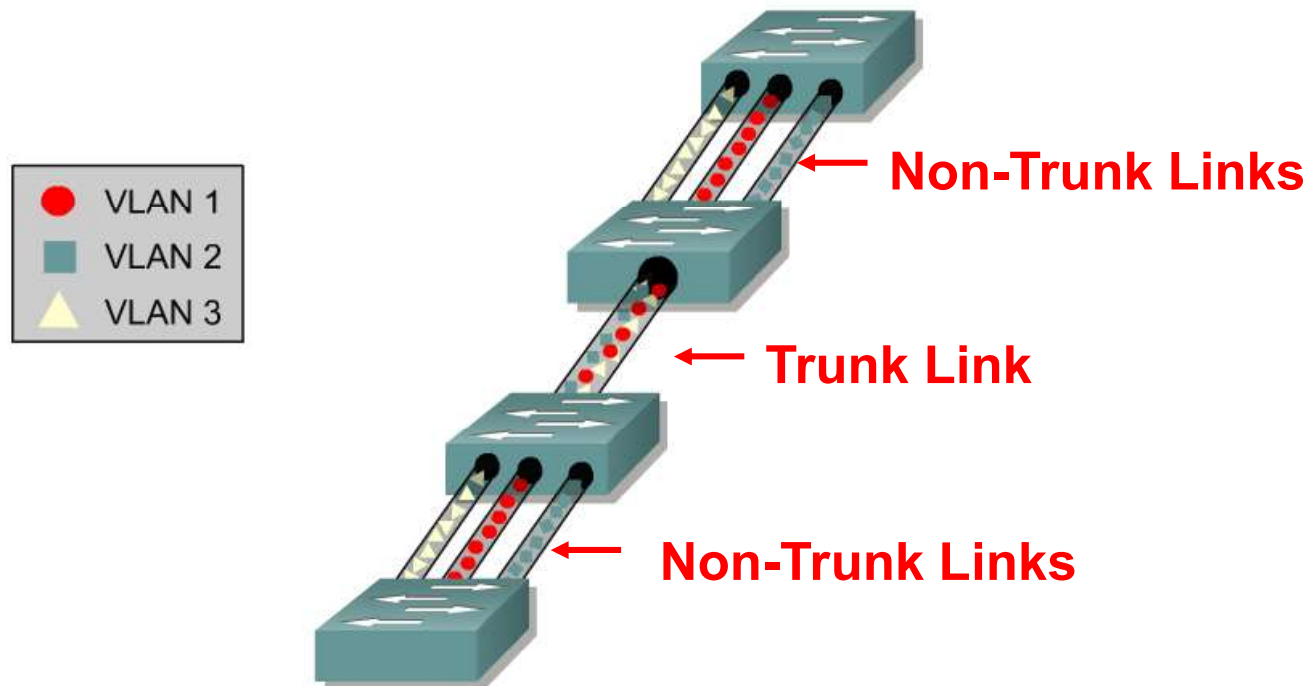


# Trunking operation



- **Trunking protocols were developed to effectively manage the transfer of frames from different VLANs on a single physical line.**
- The trunking protocols establish agreement for the distribution of frames to the associated ports at both ends of the trunk.
- Trunk links may carry traffic for all VLANs or only specific VLANs.

# VLANs and trunking



- It is important to understand that a trunk link does not belong to a specific VLAN.
- The responsibility of a trunk link is to act as a conduit for VLANs between switches and routers (or switches and switches).

# Configuring Trunking

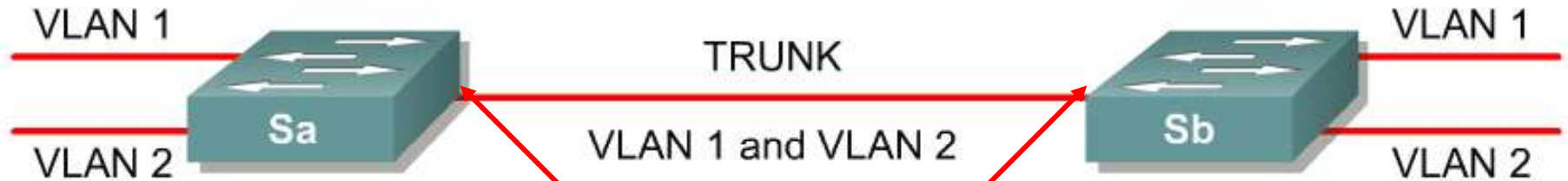
```
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode trunk
Switch(config-if)#switchport trunk ?
allowed          Set allowed VLAN characteristics when
                  interface is in trunking mode
encapsulation    Set trunking encapsulation when interface
                  is in trunking mode
native           Set trunking native characteristics when
                  interface is in trunking mode
pruning          Set pruning VLAN characteristics when
                  interface is in trunking mode

Switch(config-if)#switchport trunk encap ?
dot1q            Interface uses only 801.1q trunking encapsulation
                  when trunking
isl              Interface uses only ISL trunking encapsulation
                  when trunking
```

**Note:** On many switches, the **switchport trunk encapsulation** command must be done **BEFORE** the **switchport mode trunk** command.

- These commands will be explained in the following slides.

# Configuring Trunking



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```

**Switch (config-if) switchport trunk encapsulation [dot1q|isl]**

- This command configures VLAN tagging on an interface if the switch supports multiple trunking protocols.
- The two options are:
  - dot1q – IEEE 802.1Q
  - isl – ISL
- **The tagging must be the same on both ends.**

# Configuring Trunking

```
Switch(config-if)#switchport mode trunk
```

```
Switch(config-if) switchport mode [access|trunk]
```

- An access port means that the port (interface) can only belong to a single VLAN.
- Access ports are used when:
  - Only a single device is connected to the port
  - Multiple devices (hub) are connected to the port, all belonging to the same VLAN
  - Another switch is connected to this interface, but this link is only carrying a single VLAN (non-trunk link).
- Trunk ports are used when:
  - Another switch is connected to this interface, and this link is carrying multiple VLANs (trunk link).