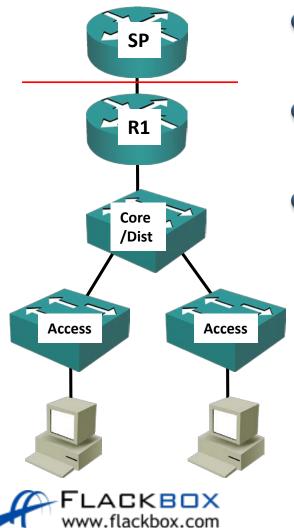
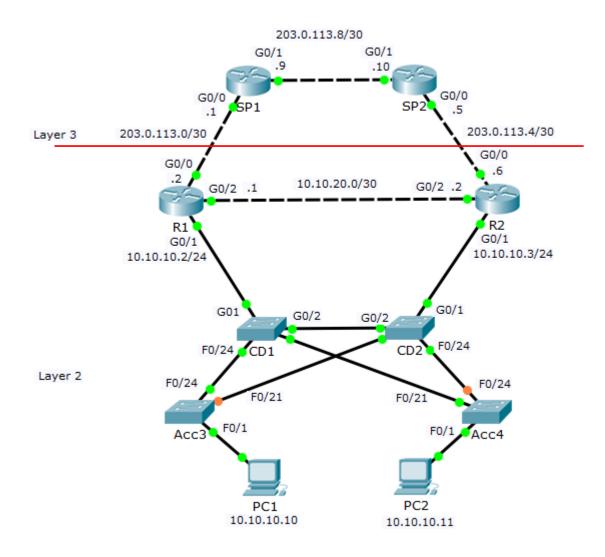
Network Redundancy



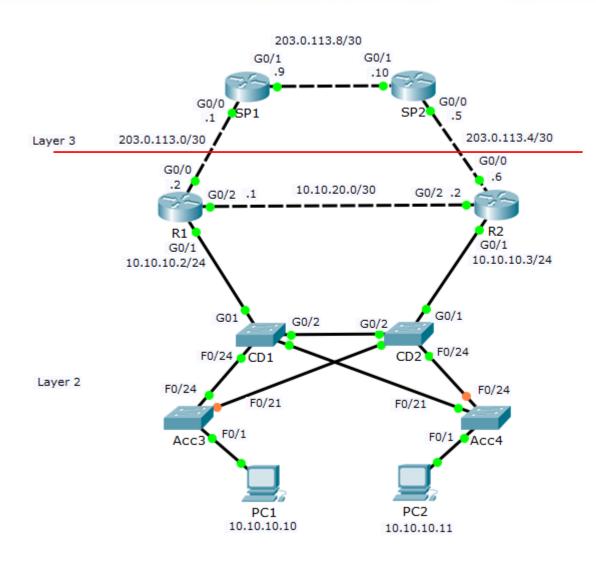
- In this example, all the network infrastructure devices are a single point of failure
- If any switch or router goes down, the PCs will lose their Internet access
- This is common for small branch offices where the cost of adding redundant devices cannot be justified

Network Redundancy



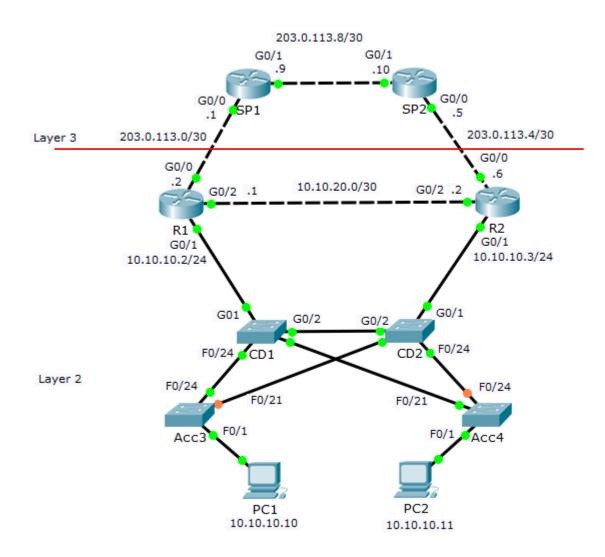
- The point of redundancy is to eliminate single points of failure
- Now we have added redundant switches, routers and Internet connections
- We can still reach the Internet if any core/distribution layer switch, router or link fails

Network Redundancy – Access Layer



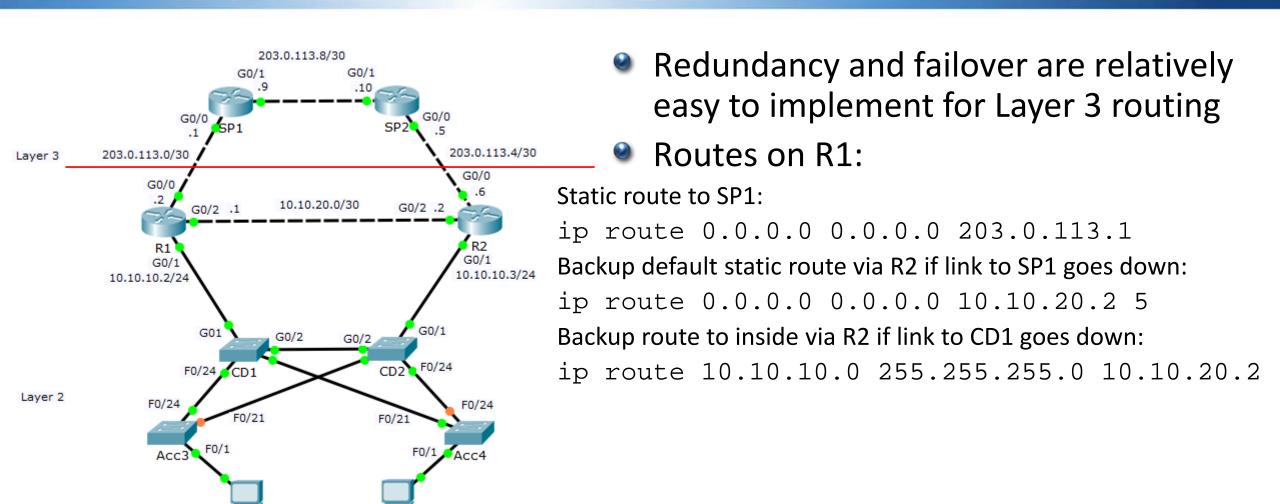
- We do not typically implement redundancy at the access layer because end hosts have only one network card
- Servers with redundant NICs are an exception

Network Redundancy



- In a real world network the core/distribution layer switches would typically be Layer 3 switches
- I'm using Layer 2 switches in the example to aid learning

Network Redundancy – Layer 3 Configuration



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