



Tips & Tricks Weekly



What is an IP address and How to find it

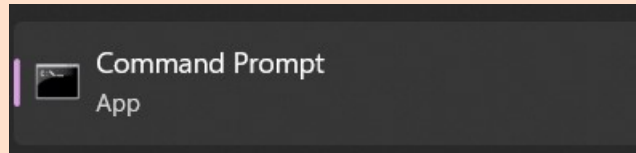
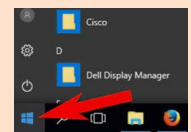
An **IP (Internet Protocol) address** is a unique string of numbers that identifies a computer, printer, or internet connected device on a network. Every device has its own, unique IP address. This is helpful for troubleshooting, providing remote access, adding printers and more.

An IP address will look something like this:

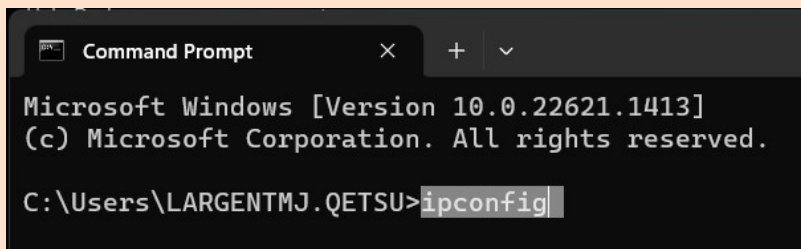
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Finding your IP address is actually rather easy.

1. Click on the **“Start”** button. It looks like Windows icon on most computers. See right:
2. Type **“cmd”** to search for the Command Prompt application. See below:



3. Once Command Prompt is running, simply type **“ipconfig”** and press Enter to list your network information.



Now you can see all of your network information, including your IP Address.

You can see **“ethernet Adapter”** has an IPv4 address listed and highlighted. **This is your IP address** for your wired “ethernet” connection. If you are on the WiFi, you will instead have an IPv4 address listed under **“Wireless LAN Adapter”**.

*Your wired and wireless IP addresses will be different.

*You can even have a wired and wireless IP address at the same time!

*If you see **“Media disconnected”** that just means you are not connected to the internet on that device.

