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Blockchain Simulator

Instructions to run the simulator:

Compile the main.cpp file using g++ main.cpp.

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./a.out <SimulationTime> <NumberOfNodes> <percentSlowNodes> <lambda for
transaction> <lambda for block>
```

Directory Structure

The directory contains the following files:

- main.cpp: Contains the main blockchain simulator code. Takes in the following arguments:
- 1. Simulation time (in seconds)
- 2. Number of nodes in the network
- 3. Percentage of slow nodes (in % between 0 to 100)
- 4. Probability with which two arbitrary nodes are neighbours in the network
- functions.h: Contains the utility functions required for the simulation.
- globalvariables.h: Contains the the global variables that are initialised and updated by variaous other functions.
- structures.h: Contains the following user-defined structures: node, block, event, transaction and their constructors.

Simulation Output

- 1. blockData.txt: Information of the generated blocks
- 2. BlockChain_*.txt: Blockchain tree for each node, with other details
- 3. initialCoins.txt: Coins owned by each node at the start of simulation
- 4. FinalCoins.txt: Coins owned by each node at the end of simulation