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Experiment name: Switching an interface to move a host around a network using mininet.

Objectives: From this lab we can learn:-

- How to install mininet and use it
- How to prototyping a large network on a single machine by mininet.

Source code:

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from mininet.net import Mininet
from mininet.node import OVSSwitch
from mininet.topo import LinearTopo
from mininet.log import info, output, warn, setLogLevel
from random import randint
class MobilitySwitch( OVSSwitch ):
  "Switch that can reattach and rename interfaces"
  def delIntf( self, intf ):
     "Remove (and detach) an interface"
     port = self.ports[ intf ]
     del self.ports[ intf ]
     del self.intfs[ port ]
     del self.nameToIntf[ intf.name ]
  def addIntf( self, intf, rename=False, **kwargs ):
     "Add (and reparent) an interface"
     OVSSwitch.addIntf( self, intf, **kwargs )
     intf.node = self
     if rename:
       self.renameIntf( intf )
  def attach( self, intf ):
     "Attach an interface and set its port"
     port = self.ports[ intf ]
     if port:
       if self.isOldOVS():
          self.cmd( 'ovs-vsctl add-port', self, intf )
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else:
          self.cmd( 'ovs-vsctl add-port', self, intf,
                '-- set Interface', intf,
                 'ofport_request=%s' % port )
       self.validatePort( intf )
  def validatePort( self, intf ):
     "Validate intf's OF port number"
     ofport = int( self.cmd( 'ovs-vsctl get Interface', intf,
                     'ofport'))
     if ofport != self.ports[ intf ]:
       warn( 'WARNING: ofport for', intf, 'is actually', ofport,
           '\n' )
  def renameIntf( self, intf, newname=" ):
     "Rename an interface (to its canonical name)"
     intf.ifconfig( 'down' )
     if not newname:
       newname = '%s-eth%d' % ( self.name, self.ports[ intf ] )
     intf.cmd('ip link set', intf, 'name', newname )
     del self.nameToIntf[ intf.name ]
     intf.name = newname
     self.nameToIntf[ intf.name ] = intf
     intf.ifconfig( 'up' )
  def moveIntf( self, intf, switch, port=None, rename=True ):
     "Move one of our interfaces to another switch"
     self.detach( intf )
     self.delIntf( intf )
     switch.addIntf( intf, port=port, rename=rename )
     switch.attach( intf )
def printConnections( switches ):
  "Compactly print connected nodes to each switch"
  for sw in switches:
     output( '%s: ' % sw )
     for intf in sw.intfList():
       link = intf.link
       if link:
          intf1, intf2 = link.intf1, link.intf2
          remote = intf1 if intf1.node != sw else intf2
          output( '%s(%s) ' % ( remote.node, sw.ports[ intf ] ) )
     output( '\n' )
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def moveHost( host, oldSwitch, newSwitch, newPort=None ):
  "Move a host from old switch to new switch"
  hintf, sintf = host.connectionsTo( oldSwitch )[ 0 ]
  oldSwitch.moveIntf( sintf, newSwitch, port=newPort )
  return hintf, sintf
def mobilityTest():
  "A simple test of mobility"
  info( '* Simple mobility test\n' )
  net = Mininet( topo=LinearTopo( 3 ), switch=MobilitySwitch )
  info( '* Starting network:\n')
  net.start()
  printConnections( net.switches )
  info( '* Testing network\n' )
  net.pingAll()
  info( '* Identifying switch interface for h1\n')
  h1, old = net.get( 'h1', 's1' )
  for s in 2, 3, 1:
    new = net[ 's%d' % s ]
     port = randint(10, 20)
     info( '* Moving', h1, 'from', old, 'to', new, 'port', port, '\n')
     hintf, sintf = moveHost( h1, old, new, newPort=port )
     info( '*', hintf, 'is now connected to', sintf, '\n')
     info( '* Clearing out old flows\n')
     for sw in net.switches:
       sw.dpctl('del-flows')
     info( '* New network:\n')
     printConnections( net.switches )
     info( '* Testing connectivity:\n')
     net.pingAll()
     old = new
  net.stop()
if __name__ == '__main__':
  setLogLevel( 'info' )
  mobilityTest()
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Output:

Discussion:

Mininet enables to quickly create, interact with, customize and share a software defined network prototype, and provides a smooth path to running on hardware. h1,h2,h3 are hosts and s1,s2,s3 are switches. We move a host from s1 to s2, s2 to s3, and then back to s1. Thus we check simple mobility test among the hosts. From the lab, We check simple mobility test by mininet.