Project 2 - OpenFlow Protocol Observation and Flow Rule Installation

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Part1

1 . How many OpenFlow headers with type "OFPT_FLOW_MOD" and command "OFPFC_ADD" are there among all the packets?

A: 10

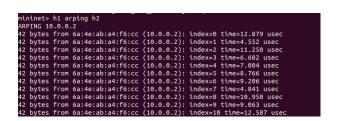
- 2 . What are the match fields and the corresponding actions in each "OFPT_FLOW_MOD" message?
- 3. What are the Idle Timeout values for all flow rules on s1 in GUI?

Match fields Timeout Values	Action	Timeout Values
ETH_TYPE = IPv4 (0x0800)	Output port = OFPP_CONTROLLER	0
ETH_TYPE = BDDP (0x8942)(Unknown)	Output port = OFPP_CONTROLLER	0
ETH_TYPE = APR (0x0806)	Output port = OFPP_CONTROLLER	0
ETH_TYPE = 802.1 Link Layer Discovery Protocol ,LLDP (0x88c)	Output port = OFPP_CONTROLLER	0
IN_PORT = 1	Output port = 2	0
ETH_DST = 72:66:09:c2:f1:ea	Output port = 2	0
ETH_SRC = 92:cc:64:fc:1a:27	Output port = 2	0
IN_PORT = 2	Output port = 1	0
ETH_DST = 92:cc:64:fc:1a:27	Output port = 1	0
ETH_SRC = 72:66:09:c2:f1:ea	Output port = 1	0

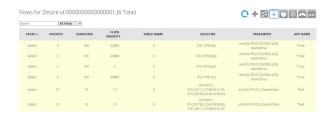
Part2

[one flow rule] Screenshot of the flow rules I installed:





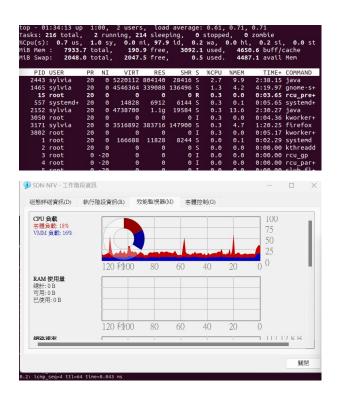
[two flow rules] Screenshot of the flow rules I installed:



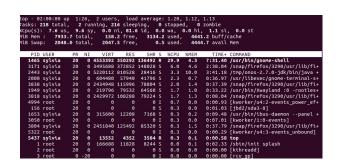
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mininet> h1 ping h2
PING 10.0.0.2 (10.0.0.2) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.735 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.046 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.089 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.075 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.105 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.539 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.0.2: icmp_seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.044 ms
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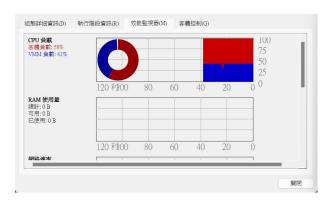
Part3

Screenshot of CPU's utilization - Before:



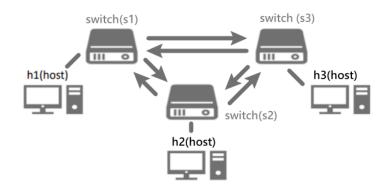
Screenshot of CPU's utilization - After: (top 中CPU的load average超過1, 幾乎是原來的兩倍)





Q: Why the broadcast storm occur?

A: 我先創造出以下的topology, 接著安裝相對應的flow rules, 接著在mininet中執行h1 arping h2。從示意圖中可以看到h1會先送出一個arp broadcast封包, switch (s1) 收到從h1來的封包後會broadcast到switch (s2)與switch (s3), switch (s2)收到從switch (s1)來的封包會broadcast到switch (s3)與h2, 而switch (s3)收到封包後會在broadcast到switch (s2)與 switch (s1), 如此不斷持續broadcast下去, 最終就會導致broadcast storm.



Part4

Activate only "org.onosproject.fwd" and other initially activated APPs.

Use Mininet default topology and let h1 ping h2.

Q: What happens in control and data planes?

Data plane:

- 1. h1將ping packets forward到h2时, packets 先從h1 forward到 s1
- 2. s1收到packets 時, 因為最初沒有適用的flow rule, 因此將packets事件訊號先傳給controller
- 3. packets forward到controller, 由controller做處理與轉發
- 4. 根據Reactive Forwarding app的ONOS controller產生的flow rule, controller將packets forward 到相對應的switch以forward packets到目標host

Control plane:

- 1. Reactive Forwarding app的ONOS controller接收到packets事件訊號。controller會先讀取並檢查 packets(ex: DST, SRC..etc), 並決定處理方式
- 2. controller根據packets內容, 創建flow rule以將packets forward到h2, 而後將其安裝到發送 packets事件訊號的switch中, 以flow rule命令switch根據符合目標特徵的packet進行什麼action
- 3. switch安裝好flow rule後, SDN switch會根據指令, 將後續符合類似條件且來自h1的packets forward到h2。
- 4. 當h2收到ping的packets時, 他會產生一個預計回覆訊號給h1
- 5. 當packets到達連接h2的switch時, switch會查看table找出匹配的flow rule, 並根據其中內容, 將回覆訊號回給h1

6. 當h1收到回覆,即會顯示ping連接成功

What I've learned or solved?

- 熟悉flow rule: 透過part 1/2 兩小題練習flow rule的寫法以及須注意的事項。由於未注意到整體架構, 先把mininet&flow rule重置才做part2第二小題, 導致packets傳不出去, 而更懂得ping連接的要素。
- 熟悉wireshark: 透過part 1/4 兩題練習解讀wireshark每個欄位的大致意義與架構。