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Objective:

Install ns-2 and get familiar with the basic commands and script structure.

- Run a simple wired network simulation.
- Analyze the output trace files and understand the format.

The provided script is written in Tcl (Tool Command Language) for use with NS-2 (Network Simulator 2), a popular discrete event simulator for networking research. This script sets up a basic network simulation. Let's break down each part of the script for better understanding:

1. Create a Simulator Object

```
>>set ns [new Simulator]
```

This line creates a new instance of the Simulator object, which is the main object in NS-2 to control the simulation.

2. Setting Up Tracing

NAM Trace (Network Animator)

```
>>set ns [new Simulator]
```

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```
set namf [open wired1.nam w]
```

```
$ns namtrace-all $namf
```

Opens a file named wired1.nam for writing (w) to store the NAM trace.

Instructs the simulator to log all network events into this NAM trace file.

General Trace

```
set tracef [open wired1.tr w]
```

```
$ns trace-all $tracef
```

3. Setting the Color Values

```
$ns color 1 blue
```

```
$ns color 2 yellow
```

```
$ns color 3 red
```

```
$ns color 4 green
```

```
$ns color 5 purple
```

4. Create Nodes

```
set n0 [$ns node] ;# Client1
```

```
set n1 [$ns node] ;# Client2
```

```
set n2 [$ns node] ;# Client3
```

```
set n3 [$ns node] ;# Client4
```

```
set n4 [$ns node] ;# Router
```

```
set n5 [$ns node] ;# Server
```

Creates six nodes in the network, assigning each to a variable (n0 to n5).

These nodes represent four clients (n0 to n3), one router (n4), and one server (n5).

5. Establish Links Between Nodes

```
$ns duplex-link $n0 $n4 2Mb 10ms DropTail
```

```
$ns duplex-link $n1 $n4 2Mb 10ms DropTail
```

```
$ns duplex-link $n2 $n4 2Mb 10ms DropTail
```

```
$ns duplex-link $n3 $n4 2Mb 10ms DropTail
```

```
$ns duplex-link $n4 $n5 1Mb 20ms DropTail
```

6. Label the Nodes

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n0 label Client1"
```

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n1 label Client2"
```

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n2 label Client3"
```

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n3 label Client4"
```

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n4 label Router"
```

```
$ns at 0.0 "$n5 label Server"
```

Labels the nodes at simulation time 0.0 for better visualization in the NAM trace.

7. Set Node Colors

```
$n0 color blue
```

```
$n1 color yellow
```

```
$n2 color red
```

```
$n3 color green
```

```
$n4 color purple
```

```
$n5 color orange
```

Assigns specific colors to each node for visualization purposes.

9. Finish Procedure

```
proc finish {} {  
    global ns tracef namf  
    $ns flush-trace  
    close $tracef  
    close $namf  
    puts "Opening nam..."  
    exec nam wired1.nam &  
    exit 0  
}
```

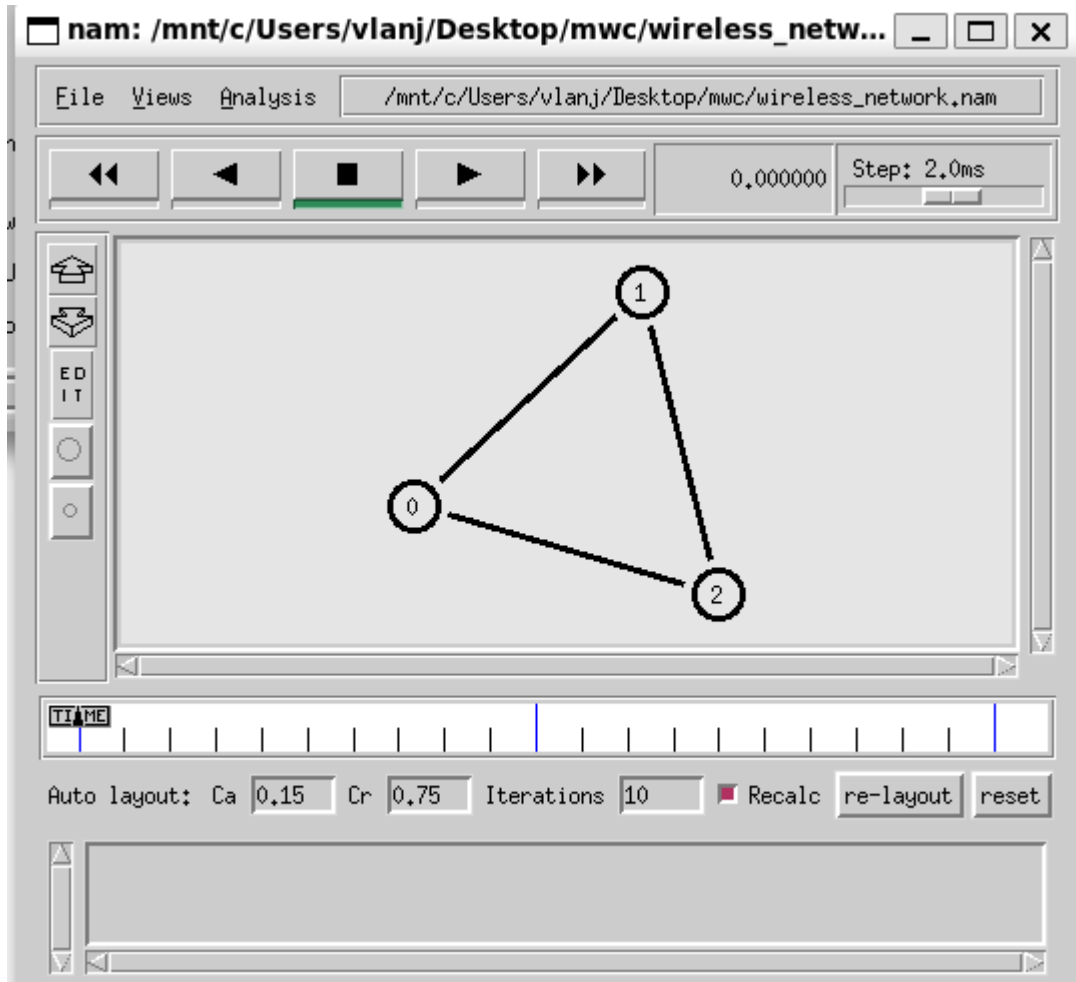
10. Schedule the Finish Procedure

Schedules the finish procedure to run at simulation time 5.0 seconds.

11. Run the Simulation

```
$ns run
```

```
vnb1@LAPTOP-6B7F23AA:/mnt/c/Users/vlanj/Desktop/mwc$ ns ex1.tcl
vnb1@LAPTOP-6B7F23AA:/mnt/c/Users/vlanj/Desktop/mwc$
```



Summary

This script sets up a network simulation with six nodes connected through a router, assigns colors and shapes for visualization, and logs the simulation events to trace files. The simulation runs for 5 seconds and then visualizes the results using NAM.