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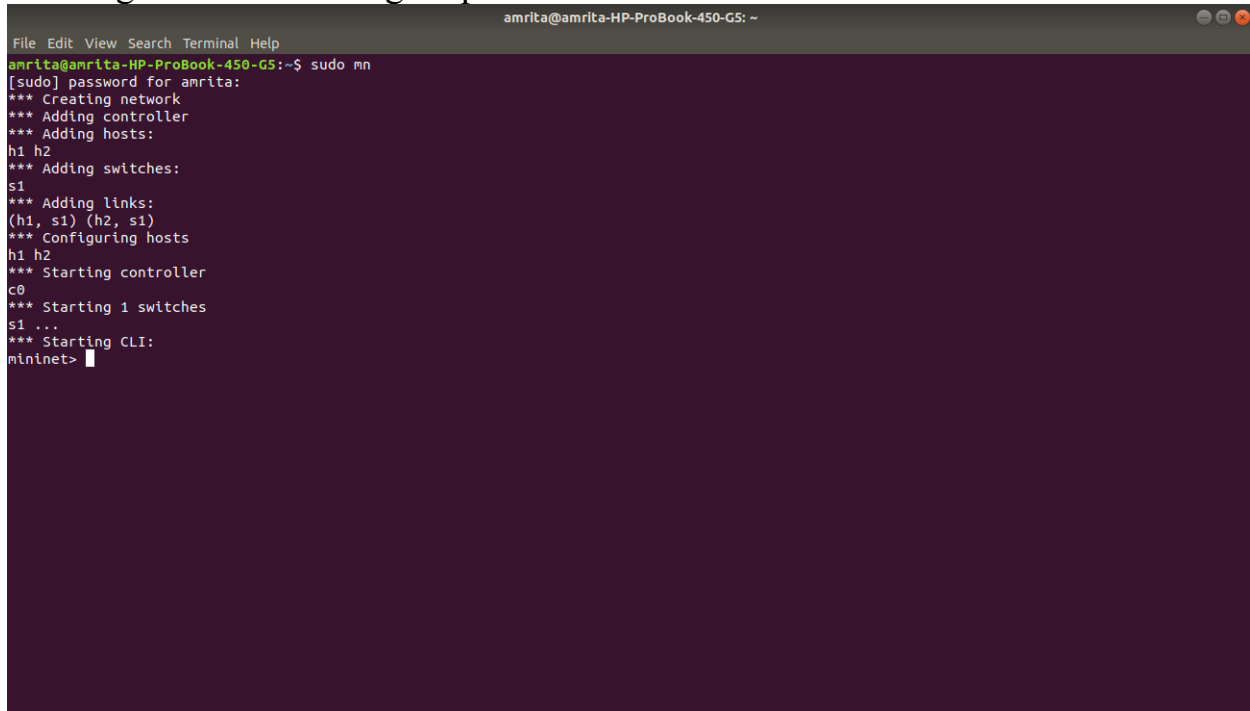
Experiment name: Switching an interface to move a host around a network using mininet.

Objectives: In this lab we are going to work with mininet to combine several networks in one. For this we need to install the mininet first. It can work in windows, linux, ubuntu.

Working Procedure After installation of mininet: After installing the mininet, to check whether it is okay to work with we can write-

Sudo mn

Which gives the following output-

A terminal window titled 'amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~' with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help). The terminal shows the command 'sudo mn' being executed. The output includes: '[sudo] password for amrita:', '*** Creating network', '*** Adding controller', '*** Adding hosts: h1 h2', '*** Adding switches: s1', '*** Adding links: (h1, s1) (h2, s1)', '*** Configuring hosts h1 h2', '*** Starting controller c0', '*** Starting 1 switches s1 ...', '*** Starting CLI:', and finally 'mininet>' with a cursor.

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amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~$ sudo mn  
[sudo] password for amrita:  
*** Creating network  
*** Adding controller  
*** Adding hosts:  
h1 h2  
*** Adding switches:  
s1  
*** Adding links:  
(h1, s1) (h2, s1)  
*** Configuring hosts  
h1 h2  
*** Starting controller  
c0  
*** Starting 1 switches  
s1 ...  
*** Starting CLI:  
mininet> |
```

Another one is to create ping between two networks

Sudo mn -- test pingall

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amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~$ sudo mn --test pingall  
[sudo] password for amrita:  
*** Creating network  
*** Adding controller  
*** Adding hosts:  
h1 h2  
*** Adding switches:  
s1  
*** Adding links:  
(h1, s1) (h2, s1)  
*** Configuring hosts  
h1 h2  
*** Starting controller  
c0  
*** Starting 1 switches  
s1 ...  
*** Waiting for switches to connect  
s1  
*** Ping: testing ping reachability  
h1 -> h2  
h2 -> h1  
*** Results: 0% dropped (2/2 received)  
*** Stopping 1 controllers  
c0  
*** Stopping 2 links  
..  
*** Stopping 1 switches  
s1  
*** Stopping 2 hosts  
h1 h2  
*** Done  
completed in 2.537 seconds  
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~$
```

From these it's clear mininet can work now. The source code we are going to use is-

Pseudo code:

```
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
```

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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 reattach) an interface"  
        OVSSwitch.addIntf( self, intf, **kwargs )
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    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 )
        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:

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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()

These is a .py or python extension code which is in the example folder which is also under the mininet home folder. For this we need to change the directory so that the linux terminal get access of the code

Cd mininet

Cd examples

Sudo ./mobility.py

The given output is

```
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~/mininet/examples
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~$ cd mininet
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~/mininet$ cd examples
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~/mininet/examples$ sudo ./mobility.py
[sudo] password for amrita:
* Simple mobility test
*** Creating network
*** Adding controller
*** Adding hosts:
h1 h2 h3
*** Adding switches:
s1 s2 s3
*** Adding links:
(h1, s1) (h2, s2) (h3, s3) (s2, s1) (s3, s2)
*** Configuring hosts
h1 h2 h3
* Starting network:
*** Starting controller
c0
*** Starting 3 switches
s1 s2 s3 ...
s1: h1(1) s2(2)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3)
s3: h3(1) s2(2)
* Testing network
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
* Identifying switch interface for h1
* Moving h1 from s1 to s2 port 16
* h1-eth0 is now connected to s2-eth16
* Clearing out old flows
* New network:
s1: s2(2)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3) h1(16)
s3: h3(1) s2(2)
* Testing connectivity:
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amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~/mininet/examples
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
s3: h3(1) s2(2)
* Testing connectivity:
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
* Moving h1 from s2 to s3 port 18
* h1-eth0 is now connected to s3-eth18
* Clearing out old flows
* New network:
s1: s2(2)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3)
s3: h3(1) s2(2) h1(18)
* Testing connectivity:
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
* Moving h1 from s3 to s1 port 12
* h1-eth0 is now connected to s1-eth12
* Clearing out old flows
* New network:
s1: s2(2) h1(12)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3)
s3: h3(1) s2(2)
* Testing connectivity:
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
*** Stopping 1 controllers
c0
*** Stopping 5 links
.....
*** Stopping 3 switches

amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5: ~/mininet/examples
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
* Moving h1 from s2 to s3 port 18
* h1-eth0 is now connected to s3-eth18
* Clearing out old flows
* New network:
s1: s2(2)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3)
s3: h3(1) s2(2) h1(18)
* Testing connectivity:
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
* Moving h1 from s3 to s1 port 12
* h1-eth0 is now connected to s1-eth12
* Clearing out old flows
* New network:
s1: s2(2) h1(12)
s2: h2(1) s1(2) s3(3)
s3: h3(1) s2(2)
* Testing connectivity:
*** Ping: testing ping reachability
h1 -> h2 h3
h2 -> h1 h3
h3 -> h1 h2
*** Results: 0% dropped (6/6 received)
*** Stopping 1 controllers
c0
*** Stopping 5 links
.....
*** Stopping 3 switches
s1 s2 s3
*** Stopping 3 hosts
h1 h2 h3
*** Done
amrita@amrita-HP-ProBook-450-G5:~/mininet/examples$
```

Discussion: In this lab, we learnt how to install the mininet and how does it work specially. The hosts were moving from each switches to another then come back to the first one which shows the absolute mobility test of networks running on mininet based on software.