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ndnSIM 2.0: A new version of the NDN simulator for NS-3

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ndnSIM is

- √ an open-source common framework to perform NDN-related experiments
- √ a platform to conduct large-scale NDN experiments
- √ based on the NS-3 simulator framework
- √ implemented in a modular way
- √ extensively documented
- √ actively supported

ndnSIM can

- ✓ run large-scale experiments in a simple way
 - initial topology and link parameters can be defined in a file
 - stack helpers can adjust parameters of individual or multiple nodes at a time
- ✓ collect detailed traces of NDN traffic flow and behavior of each forwarding component

Why new version of ndnSIM?

- ✓ Match the simulation platform to the latest advancements of NDN research
 - updated protocol specification
 - new NDN packet format
 - new forwarding strategies
- ✓ Consolidate research and development efforts
 - re-use existing codebases (ndn-cxx, NFD) in ndnSIM
 - allow easy porting of ndnSIM code into real implementations

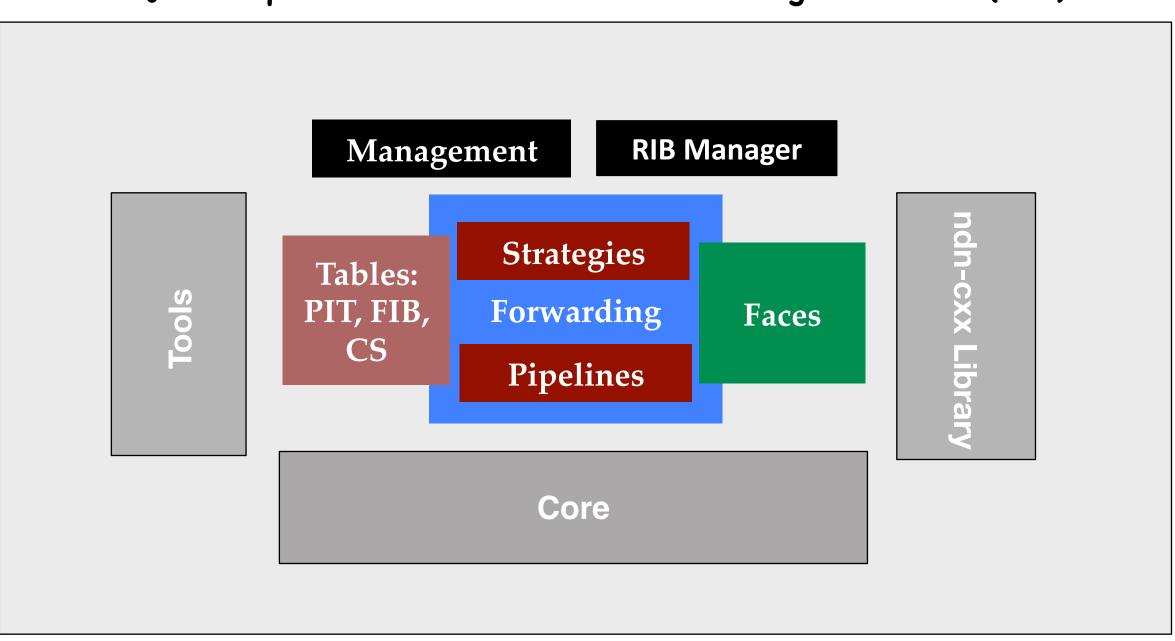
Since its first release

- ✓ ndnSIM has been a useful tool by many researchers around the globe
- √ 32 (known) forks on GitHub
- ✓ ndnSIM mailing list has over 300 subscribers
- ✓ More than 100 papers have been published based on research done using ndnSIM

NFD and ndn-cxx Integration Into ndnSIM 2.0

Introduction

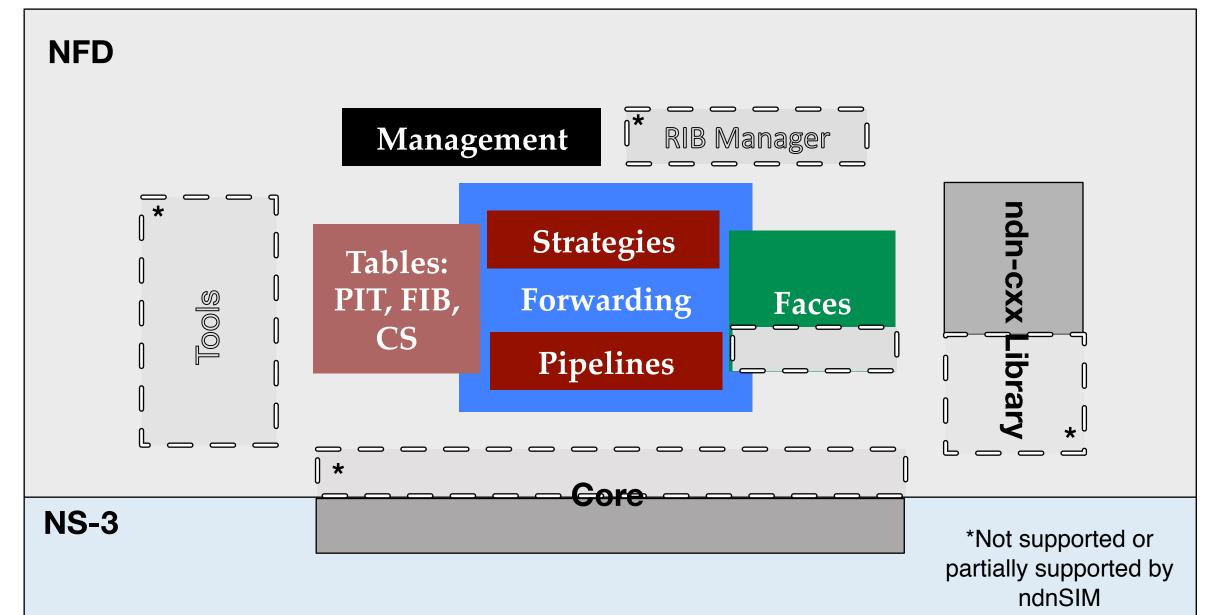
Major Components of Named Data Networking Forwarder (NFD)



Challenges for NFD Integration

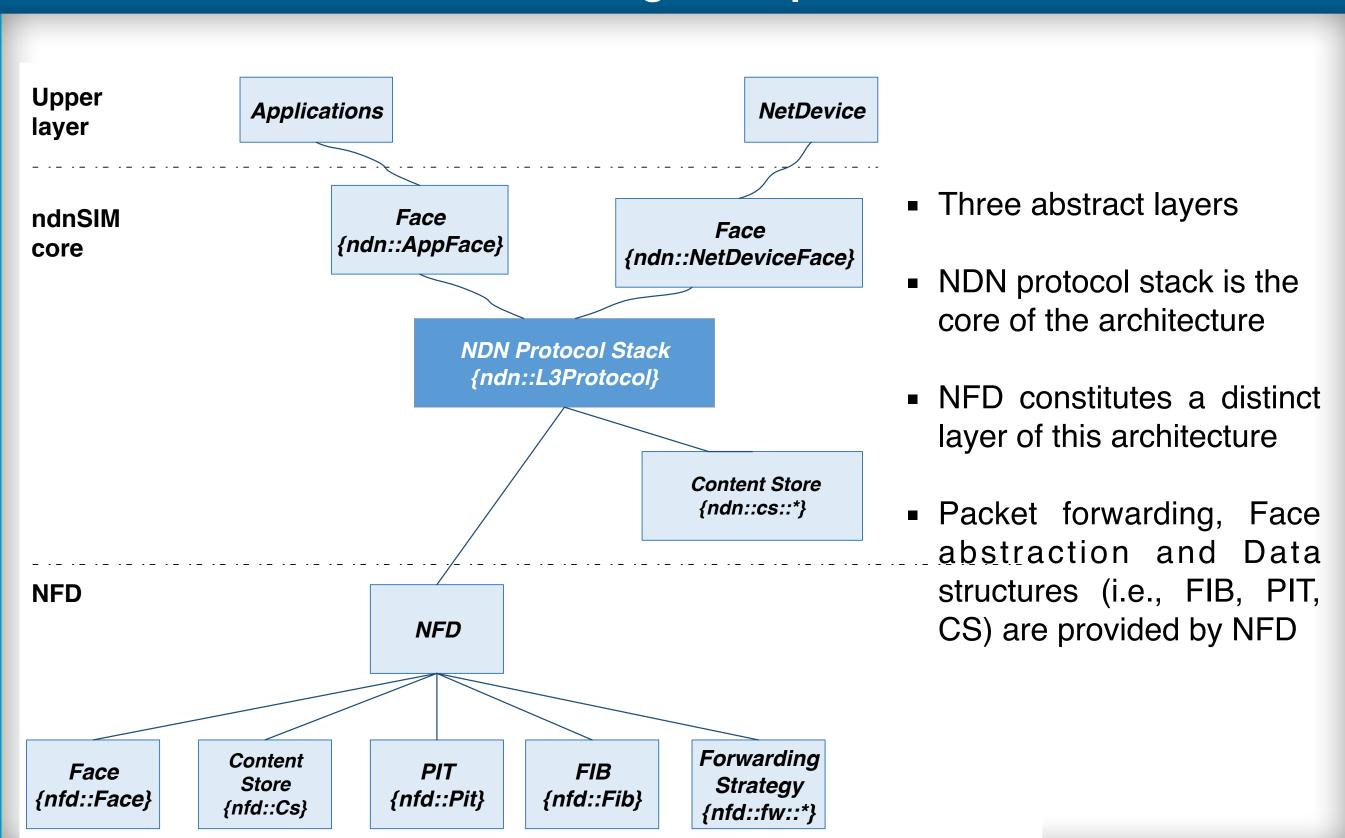
- Core elements must be switched to NS-3 routines
 - event scheduling
 - absolute and relative time operations
 - logging
- Events in NFD should be hooked up with tracing facilities of NS-3
 - tracing of traffic flow, CS, PIT, FIB
- NFD stack configuration needs to be streamlined with ndnSIM helper
 - configure node parameters, set up and update FIB, forwarding strategy, etc.
- New tracing points needs to be added
 - in forwarding pipelines
 - in CS, PIT, FIB
- Crypto overhead should be minimized

NFD Integrated into ndnSIM 2.0



- Management
 - Everything except stripped down
 FaceManager
 - NDN stack, FIB, strategy, and global routing helpers
- Tables
- Everything from NFD
- CS from ndnSIM 1.0
- Faces
 - Only face abstraction and internal faces
 - AppFace
 - NetDeviceFace
- Core
 - everything, except, scheduler, logger, io
 - NS-3 specific scheduler and logger
- Forwarding
 - Everything from NFD
- ndn-cxx Library
 - NDN and NFD management abstractions
 - wire format
 - security library
 - (partially) utils

ndnSIM Design Components



ndnSIM simulation scenario Define Read from file NFD's CS MaxSize topology Define manually *(LRU) → MaxSize ndnSIM 1.0 CS Configure (LFU)NoCache Random **Install NDN** (FIFO) Using GlobalRoutingHelper stack Manually using FibHelper Configure Visualizing Configure strategy Collect metrics selection per namespace **Set Forwarding** using installed Run simulation Install new strategy Strategies tracers

Additional Documentation

- Technical Report
- http://named-data.net/techreport/ndn-0028-1-ndnsim-v2.pdf
- Detailed documentation and examples can be found on the ndnSIM website:
- http://ndnsim.net/
- Source code:
 - https://github.com/named-data/ndnSIM