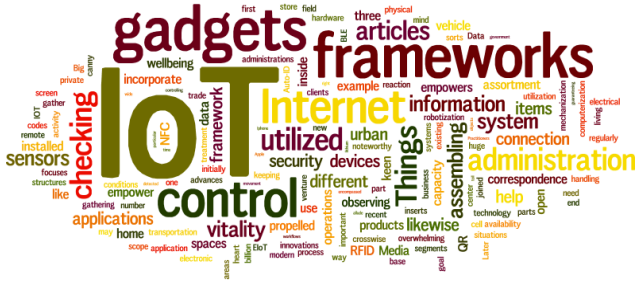
CS578: Internet of Things

Tutorial on
Program Implementation in Contiki OS



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What is Contiki OS ?

- Contiki is an open source operating system for Internet of Things
  - runs on tiny low-power microcontrollers

- It allows to develop applications that make efficient use of different hardware for IoT
  - while providing standardized low-power wireless communication for a range of hardware platforms
  - Mainly, focus on low-power wireless IoT devices

- The Contiki system includes a sensor simulator called Cooja,
  - Cooja simulates of Contiki nodes

How to install Contiki-NG

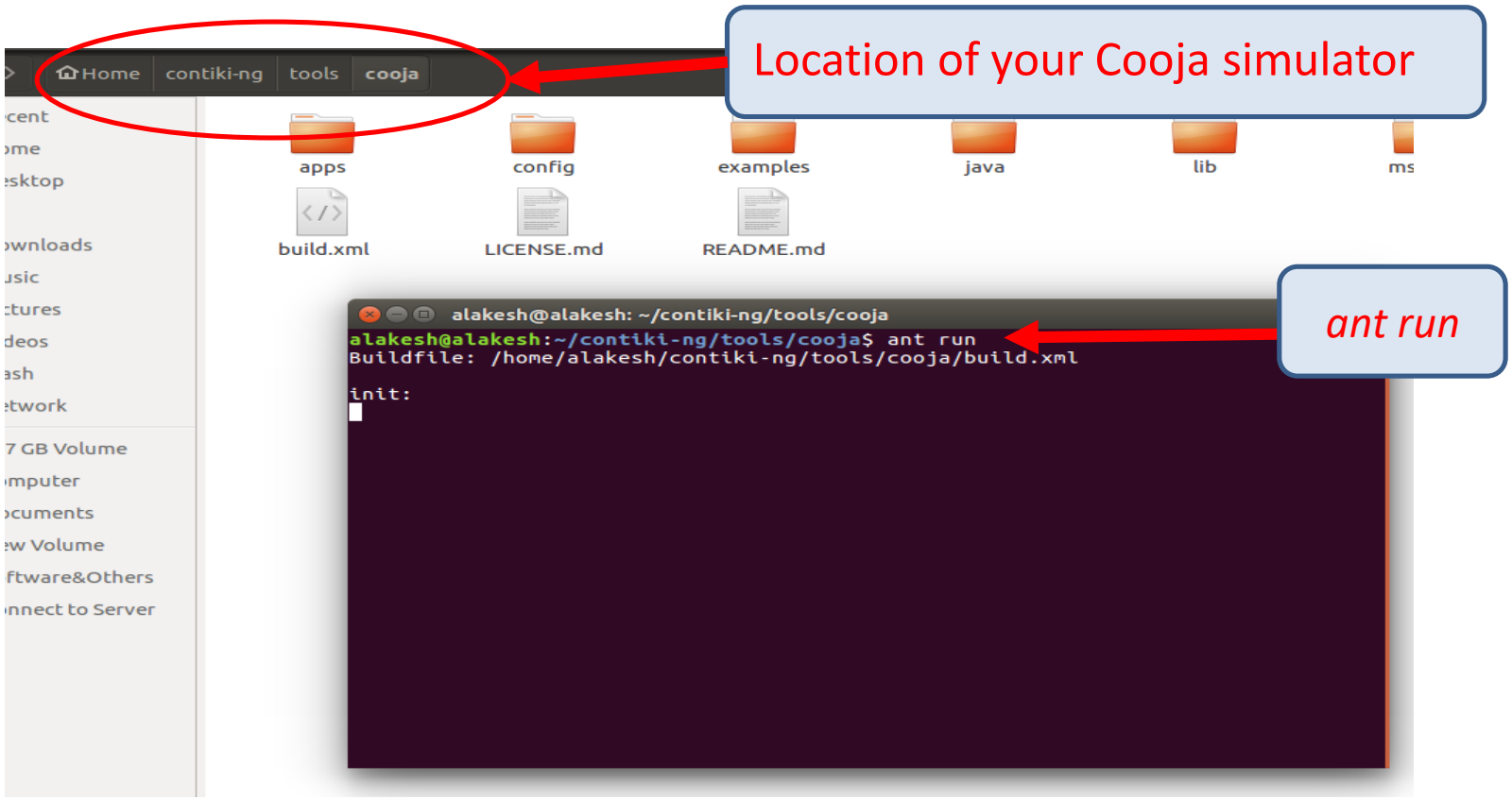
- The latest version of Contiki is known as Contiki-NG (Contiki Next Generation)
- Complete installation procedure of Contiki-NG on Linux can be found at the below link,
  - https://github.com/contiki-ng/contiki-ng/wiki/Toolchain-installation-on-Linux
- One can install Contiki-NG using Virtual Box on Windows OS.

What is Cooja?

- Cooja is a Contiki network simulator
  - To perform IoT network simulations
  - An extensible Java-based simulator capable of emulating various IoT motes such as Tmote sky, Z1 etc.,
  - The code to be executed by the node is the exact same firmware that can be uploaded to physical nodes
  - Allows large and small networks of motes can be simulated at hardware level
- Cooja is a highly useful tool for Contiki development
  - It allows developers to test their code and systems before running it on the target hardware

How to start Cooja?

- After Contiki-NG installation, start Cooja Simulator using the command "*ant run*" inside the Cooja directory of Contiki-NG.



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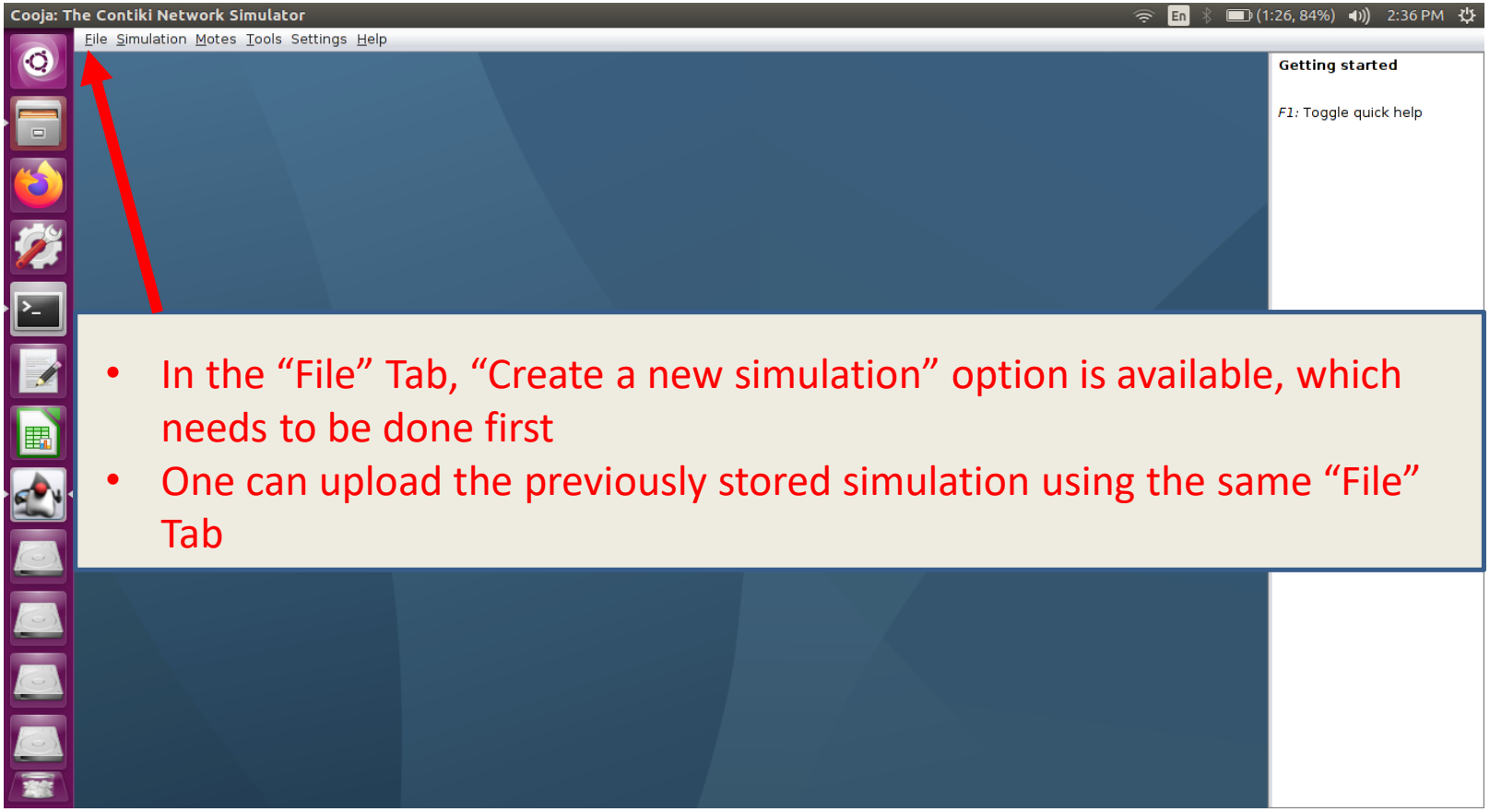
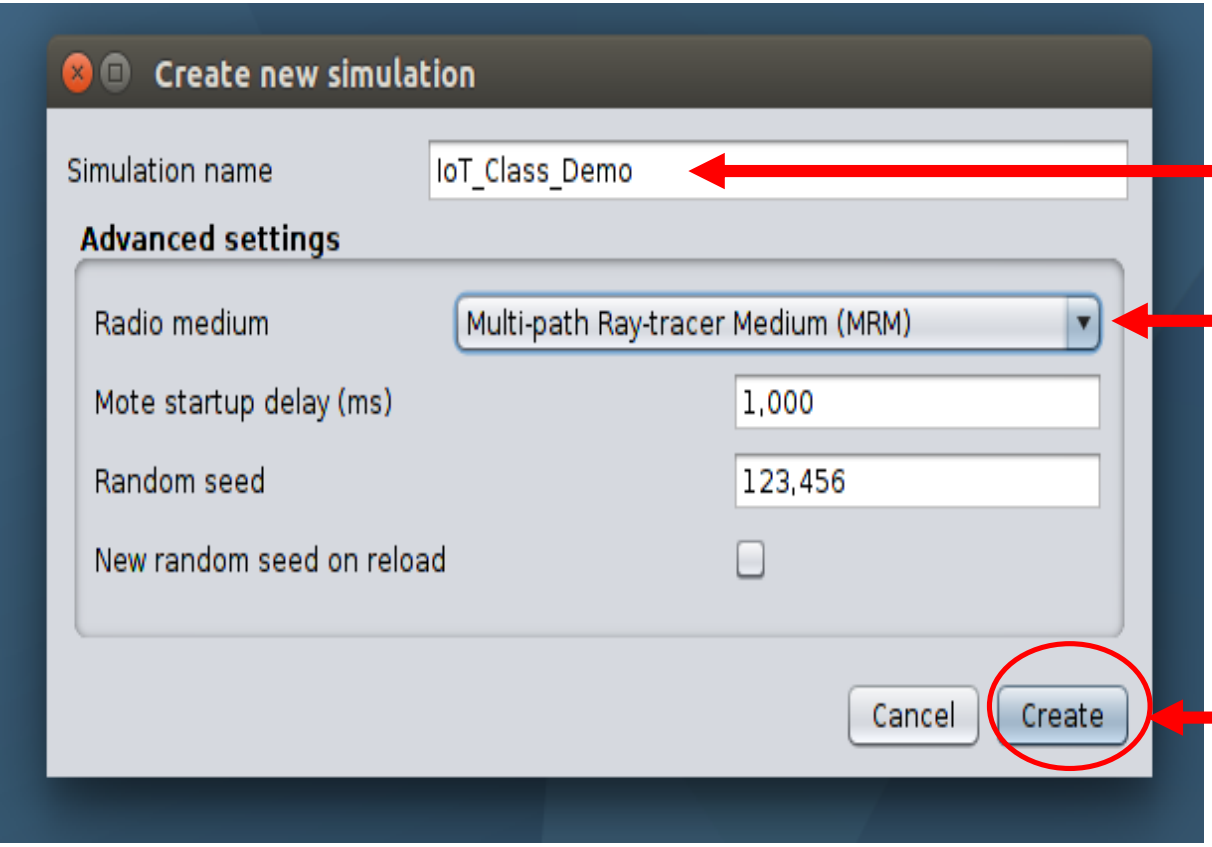
- First interface after the starting of the simulator



Create a new Simulation



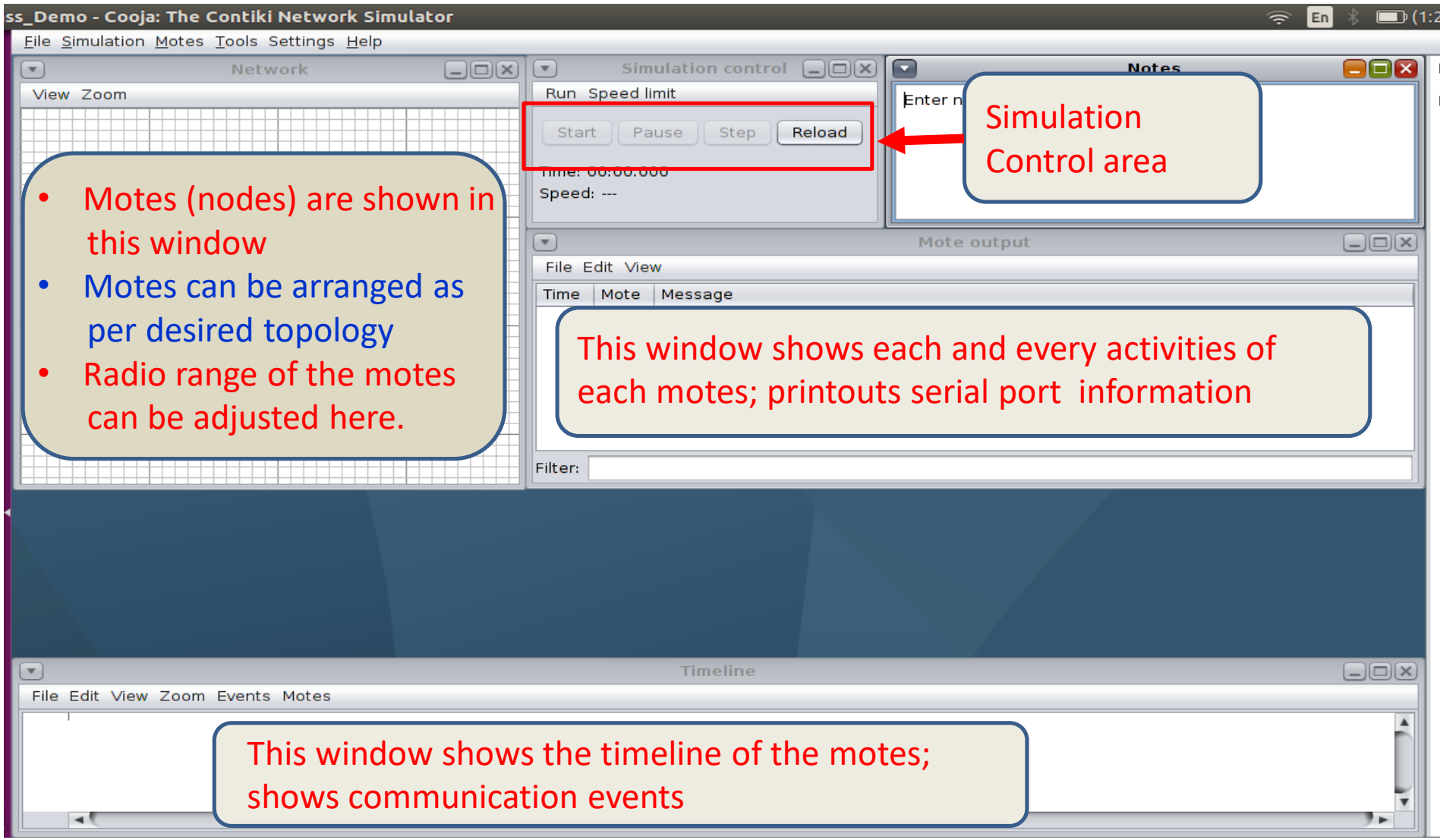
Simulation Name

Select radio medium
1. UDGM
2. MRM

MRM gives more realistic environment for simulation

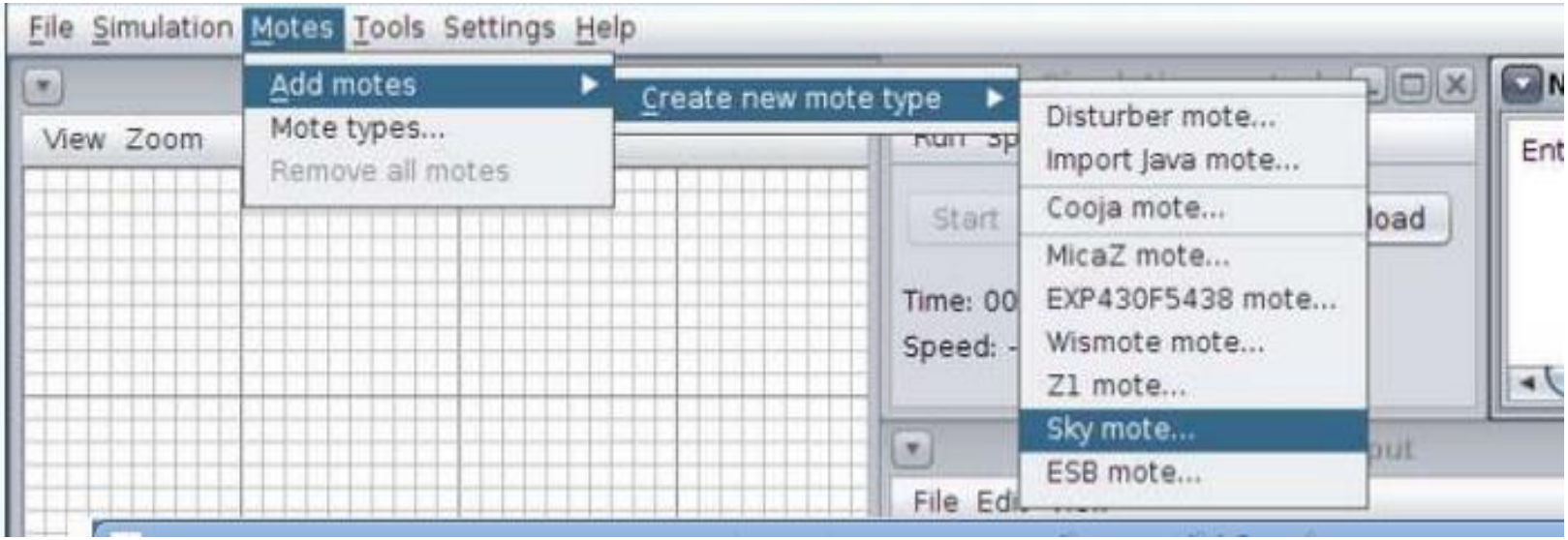
To create the simulation

Basic Simulation Interface



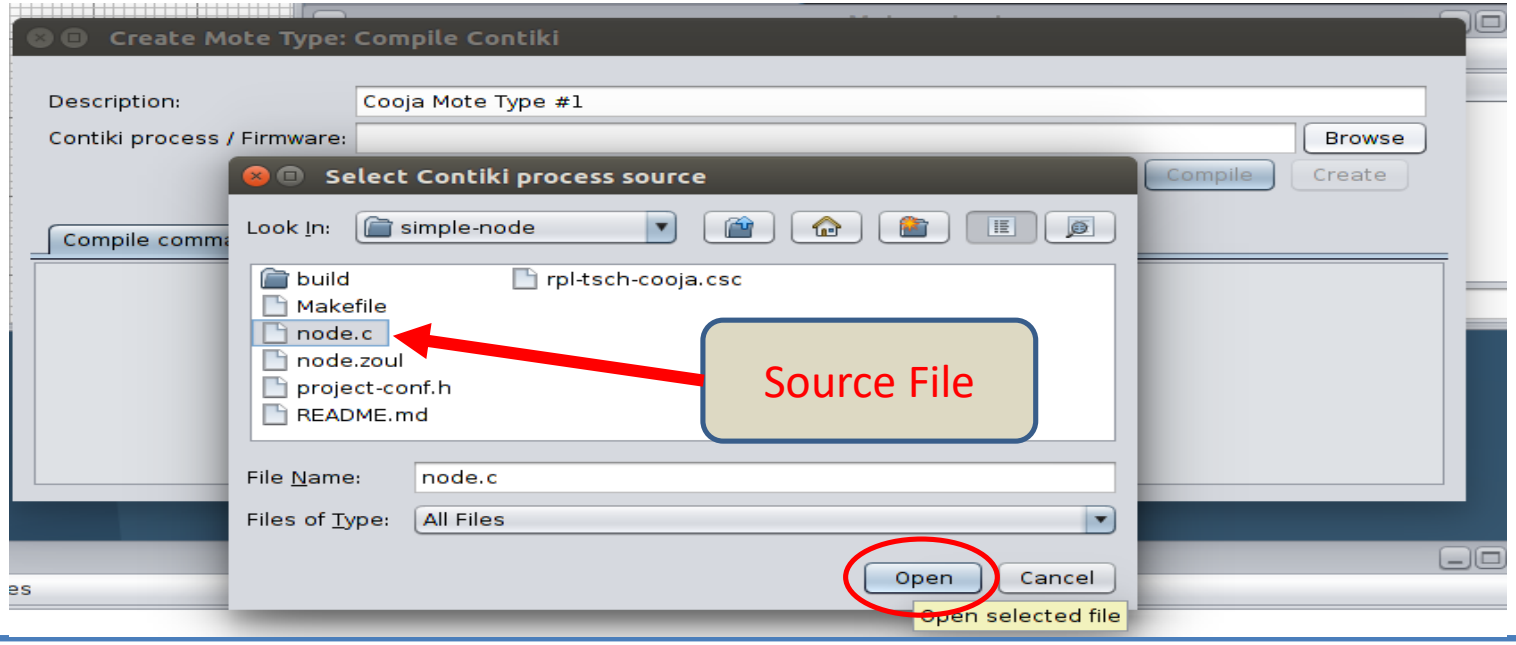
How to add motes (nodes)?

- Before simulation, motes need to be added
- In the "Motes" tab, click on "Add motes"
- Next, click on "Create new mote type" and select the desired available mote (e.g., Cooja mote, sky mote)
- Better to use "Cooja" mote on low configuration system



Select the source file

- Browse the source file that you want to simulate
- In the "example" folder of Contiki-NG, various source files are available
- Select the "node.c" file to compile and then simulate



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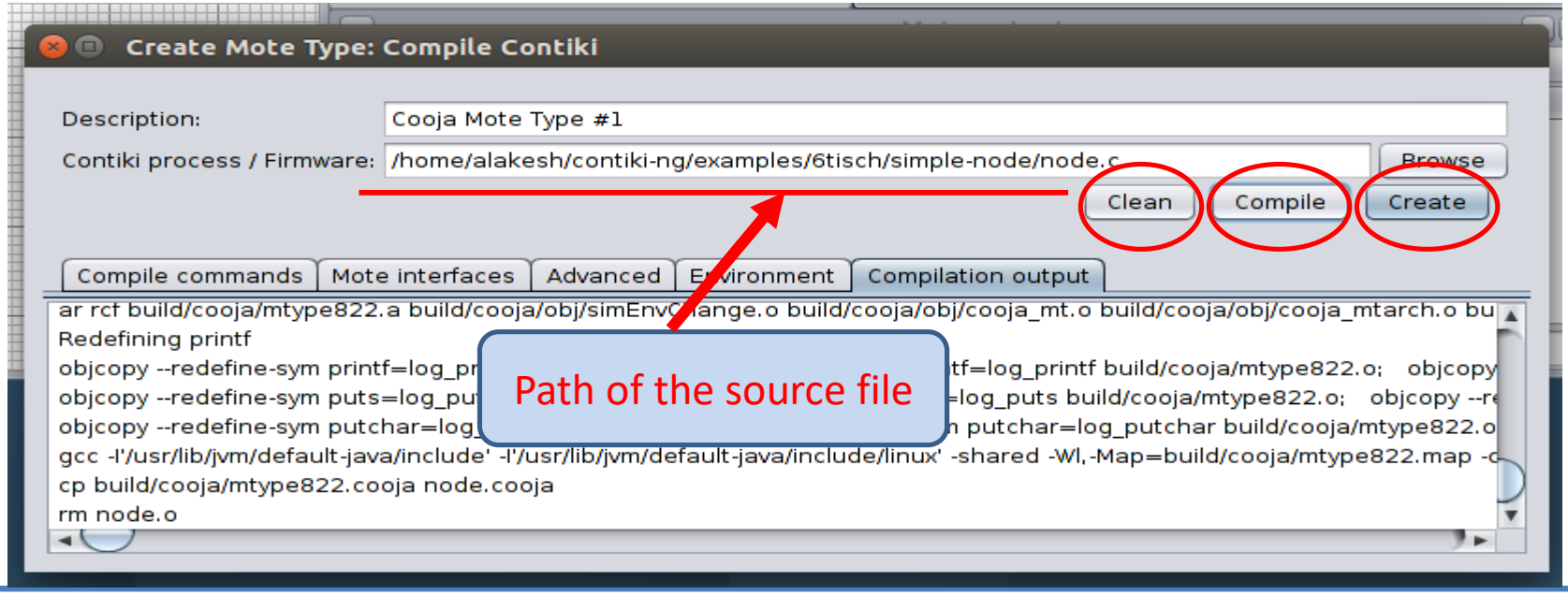
- Before Simulation, selected source file needs to be compiled.
- If any changes made in any of the source file, then click on "clean" before compiling, otherwise, no cleaning is required
- Click on "compile" to compile and then "create" to create the motes



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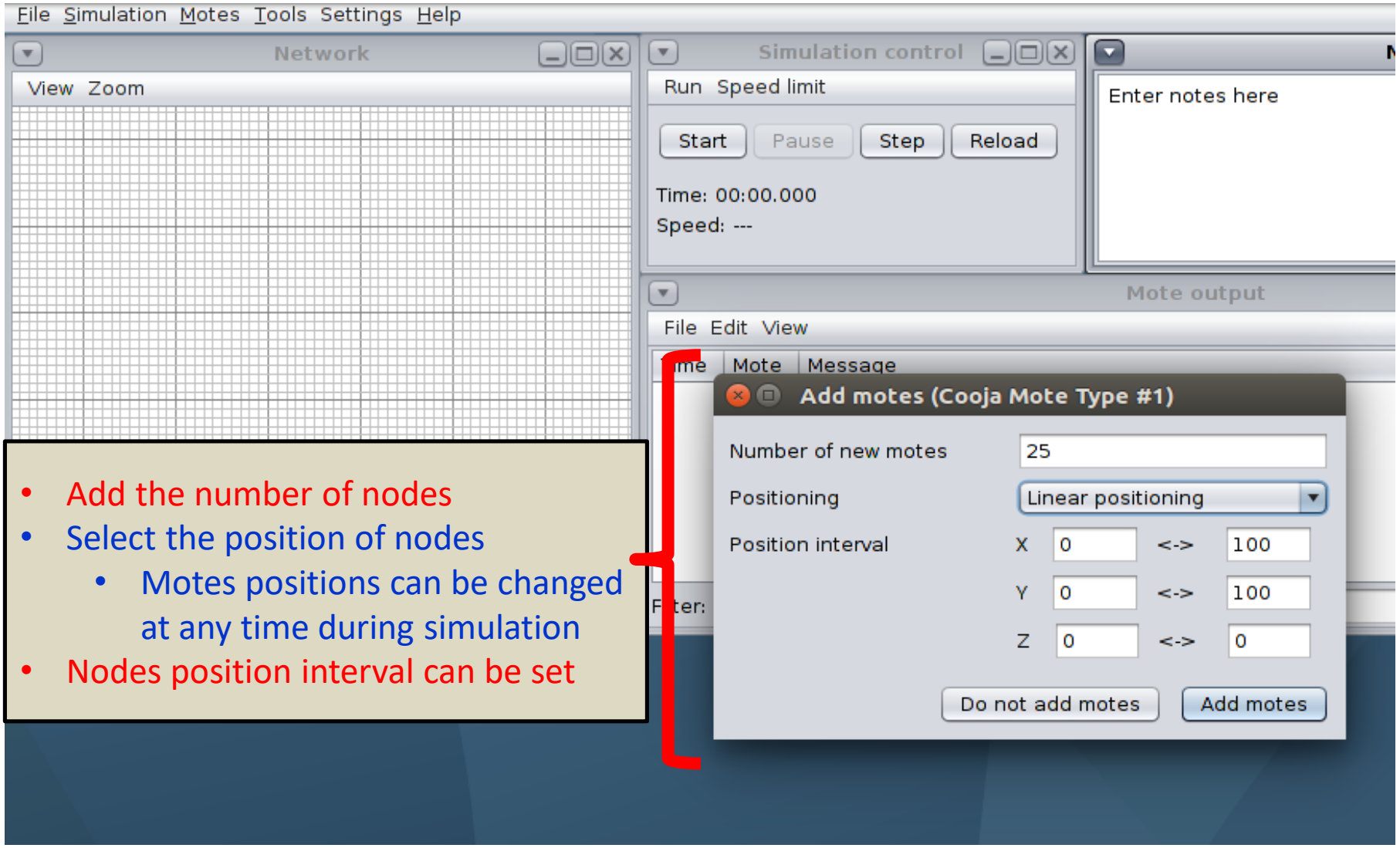
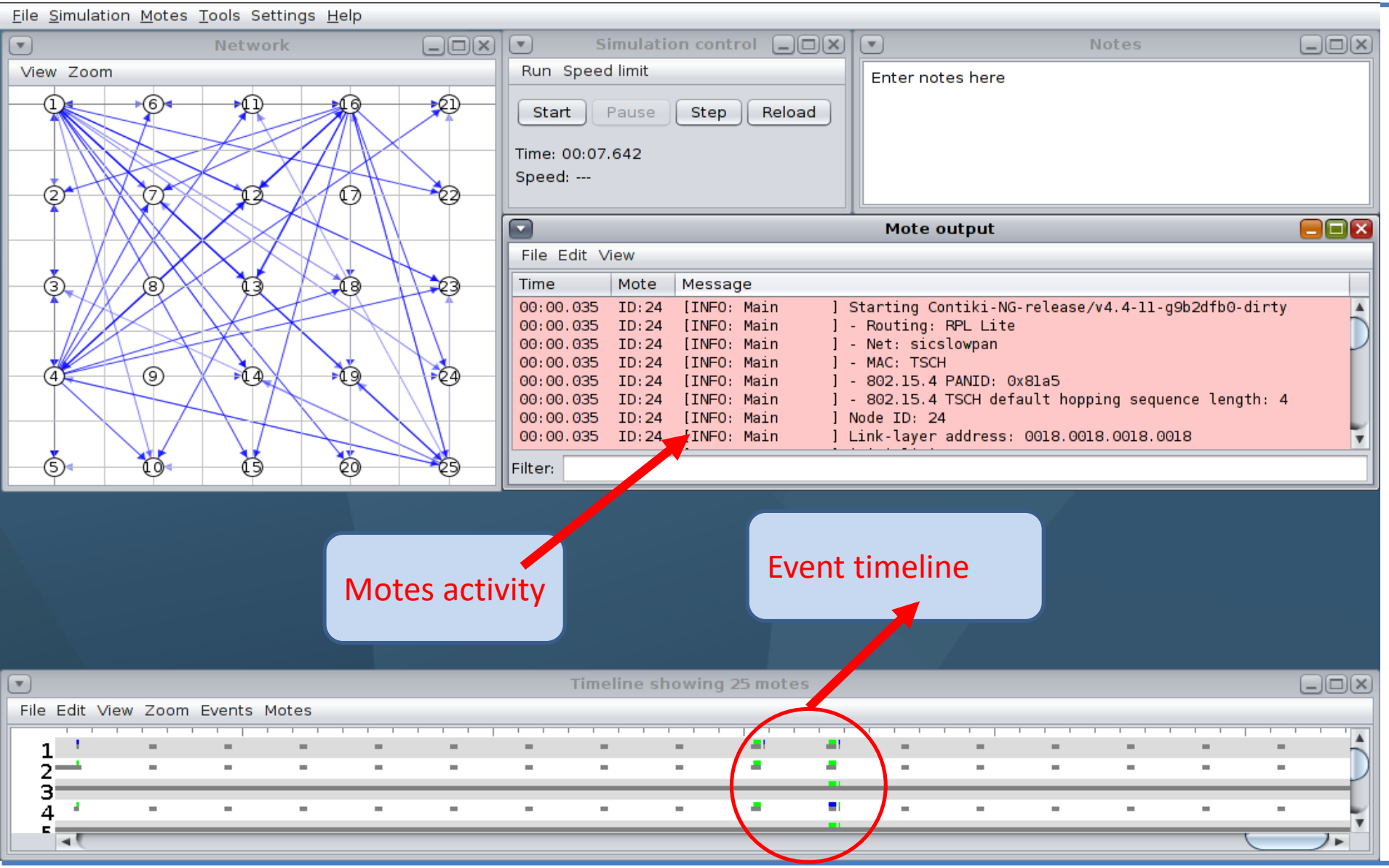


- Add the number of nodes
- Select the position of nodes
  - Motes positions can be changed at any time during simulation
- Nodes position interval can be set

Interface during simulation-1



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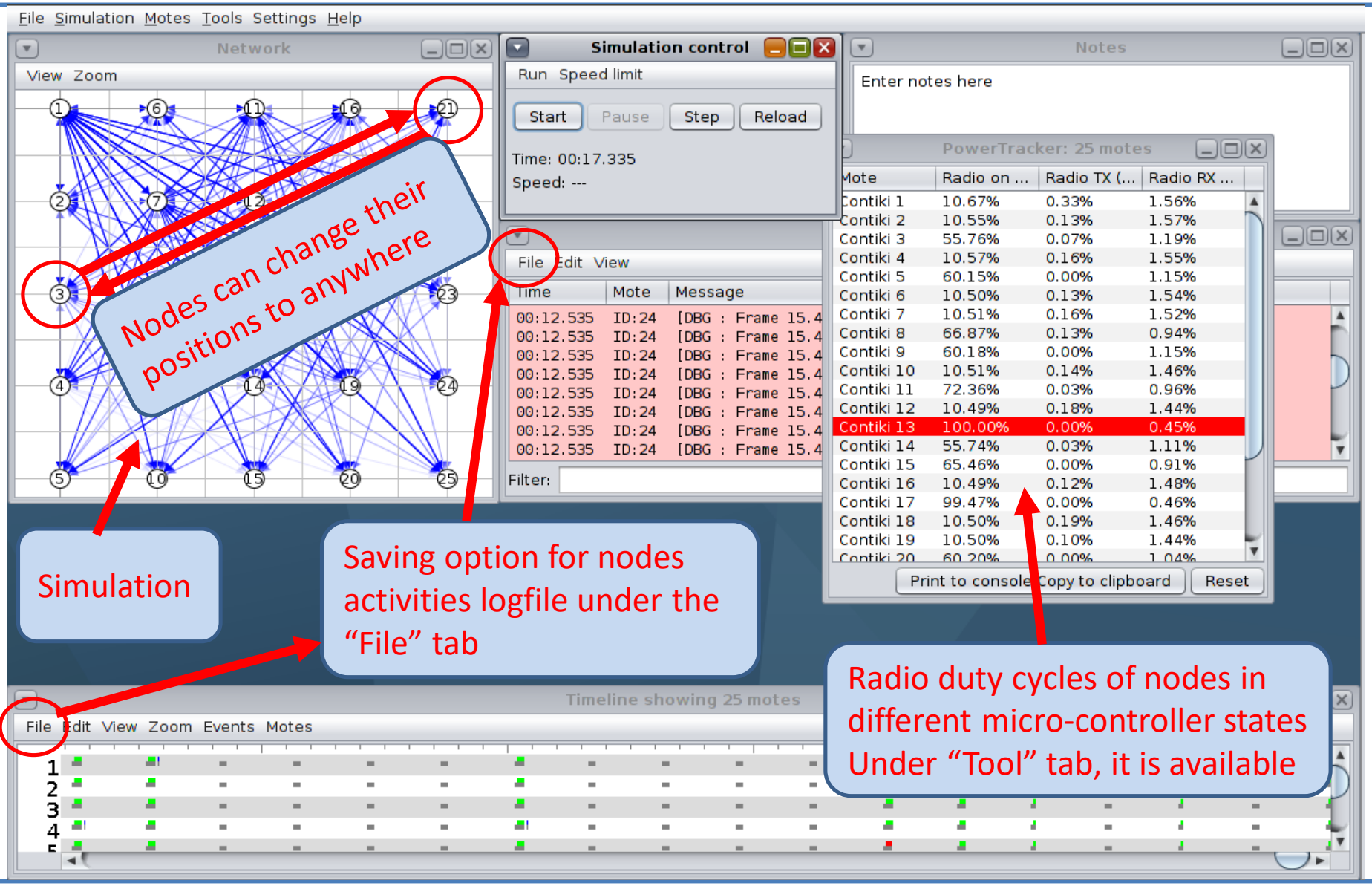
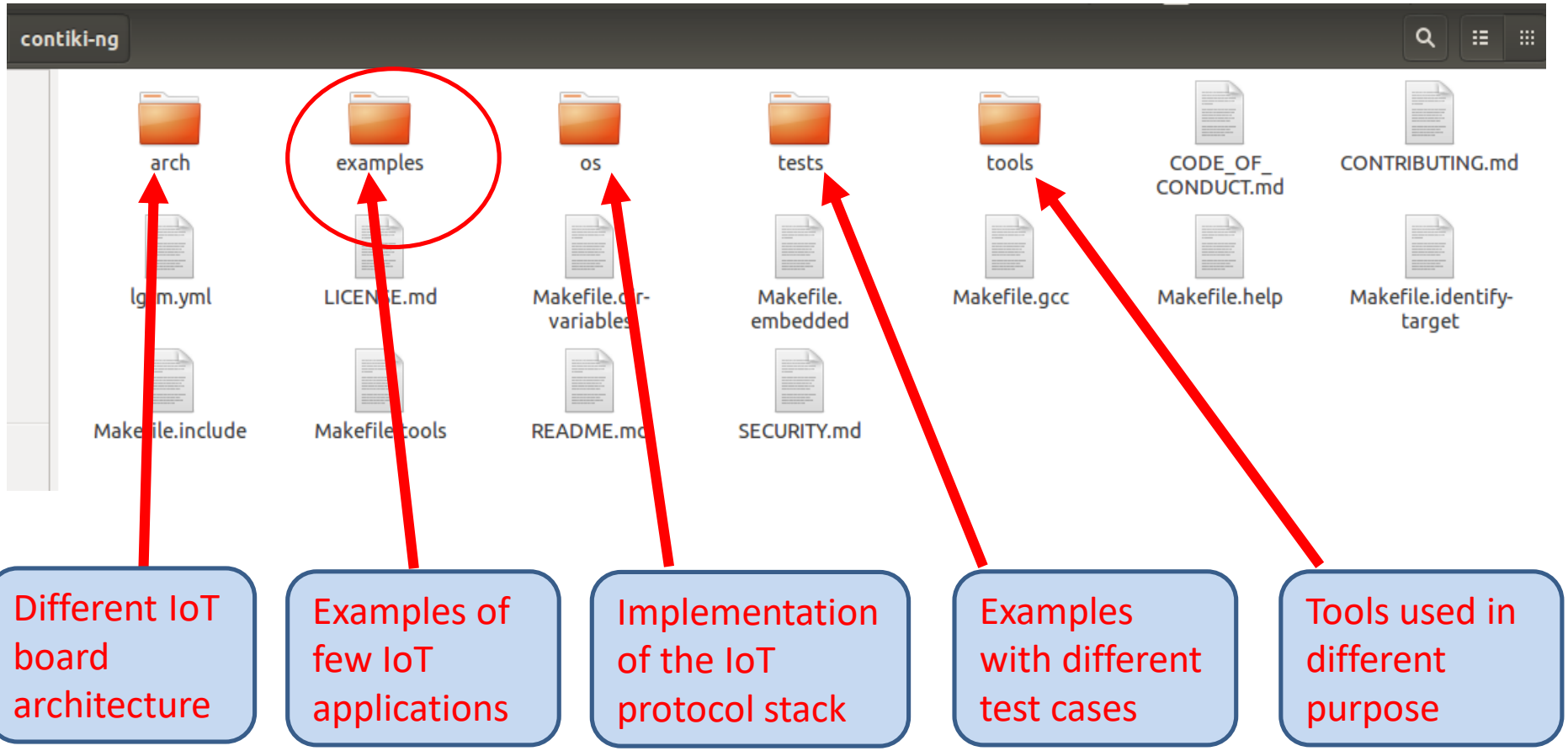


Implementation on Contiki-NG

File Organization in Contiki-NG



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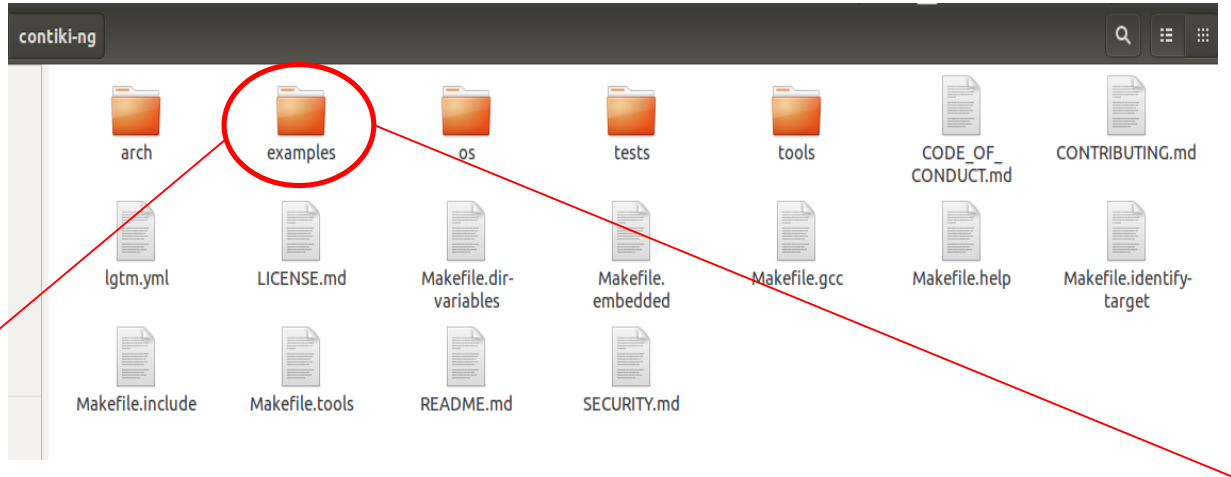

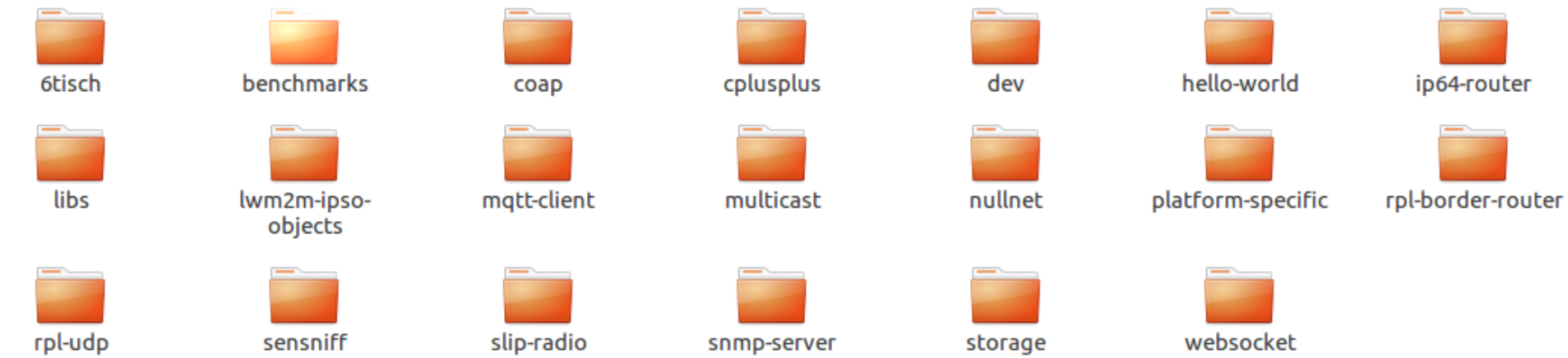

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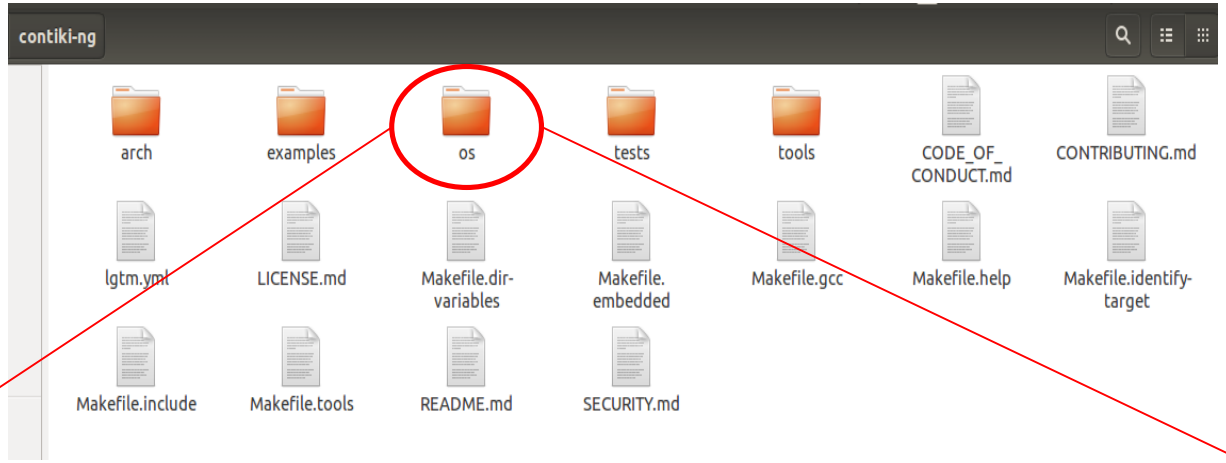

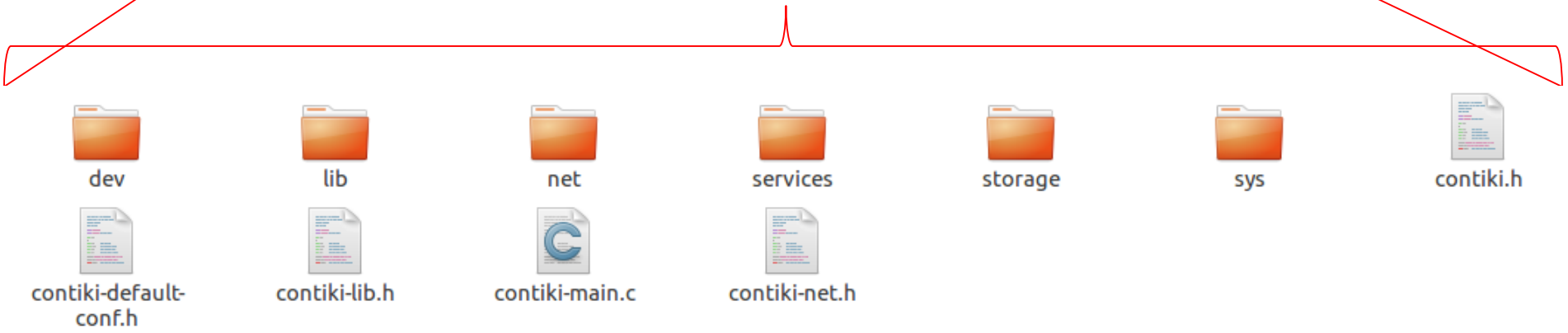

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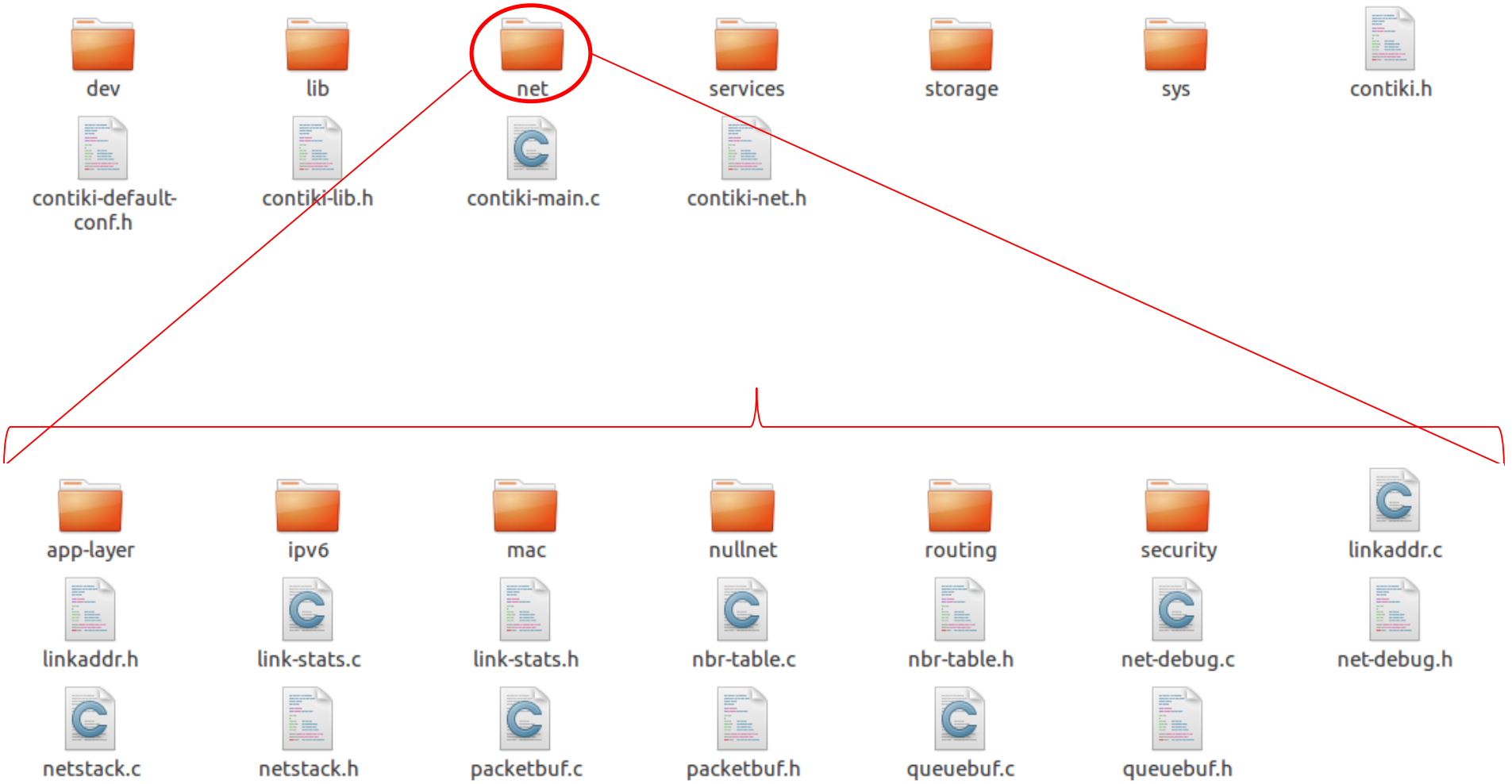

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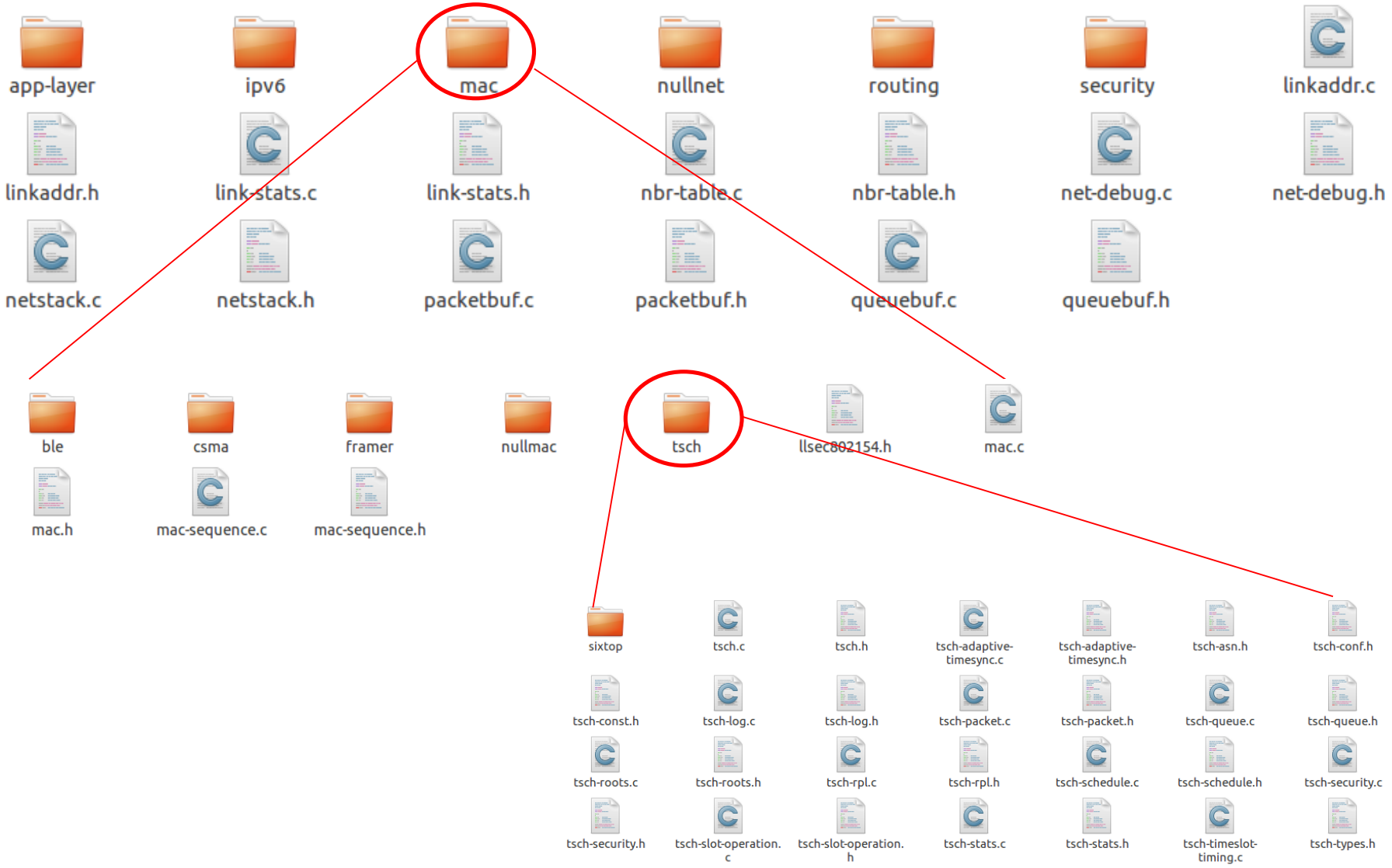

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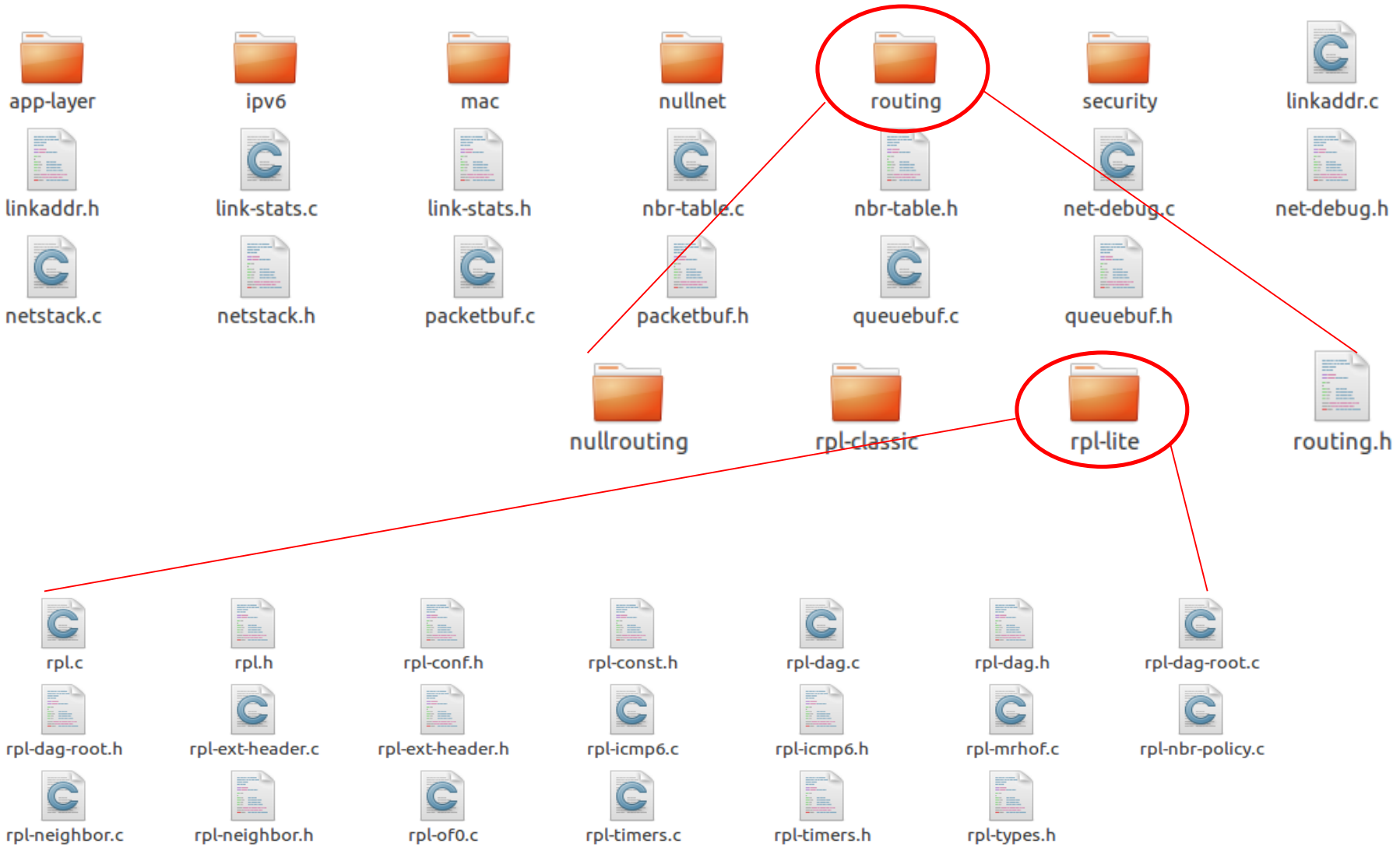
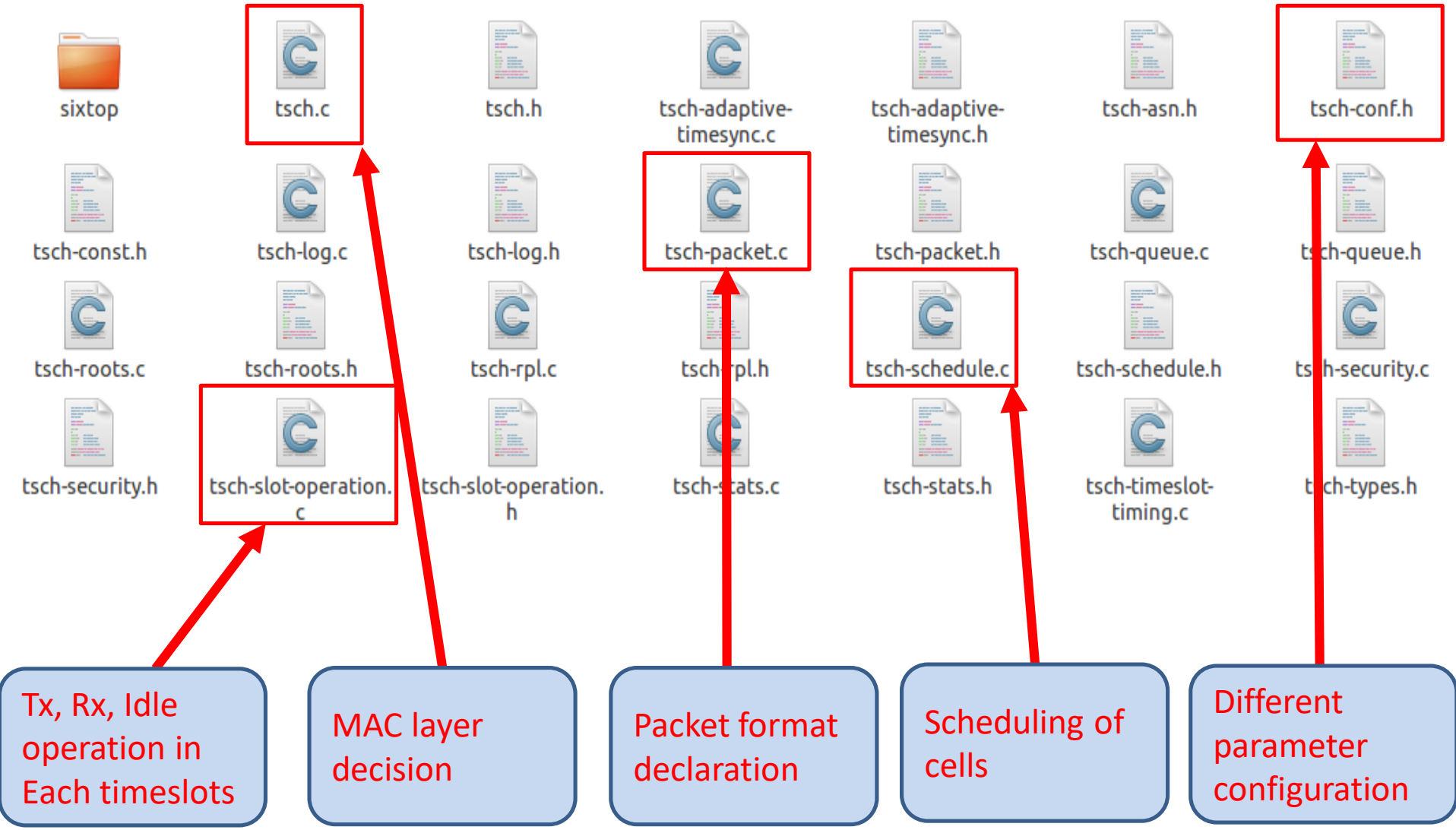


Files inside Contiki-ng/os/net/MAC/TSCH

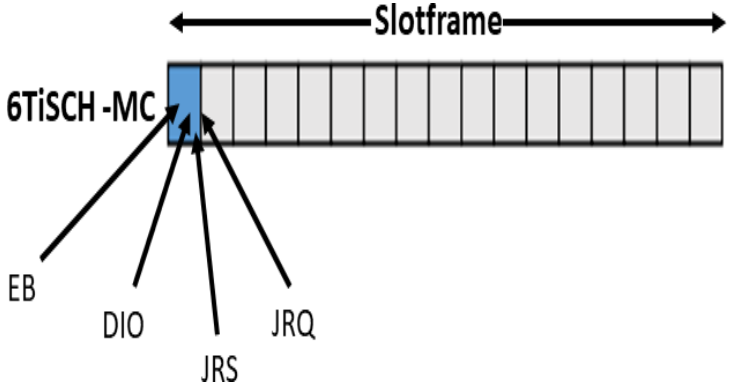


6TiSCH minimal configuration (RFC 8180)

- In 2017, 6TiSCH Working Group released the 6TiSCH minimal configuration standard in order to provide details about the minimal resource usage during network bootstrapping
  - Only one shared cell per slotframe can be used for transmission of control packets by all the nodes
  - Both EB and DIO packets are required to complete joining process
  - EB has the highest priority over other control frames like DIO, DIS, etc.
  - Control packets (JRQ and JRS) for secure enrolment of a node are also exchanged in shared cell

Shortcomings

- Static Allocation
- Joining time is more



Channel Condition Based Dynamic Beacon Interval

We proposed a scheme named *channel condition based dynamic beacon interval* (C2DBI) for efficient joining of nodes in 6TiSCH network based on channel congestion status.

Step 1: Channel Busy Ratio (CBR) is used to find the channel condition as follows,

$$\text{CBR} = \frac{Busy\ Shared\ Slots}{Busy\ Shared\ Slots + Idle\ shared\ slots}$$

Step 2: The value of CBR is used to calculate next beacon interval as follows,

$$I_{eb} = \begin{cases} I_{eb}^{min} & \text{if CBR} = 0 \\ I_{eb}^{min} + (I_{eb}^{max} - I_{eb}^{min})^{CBR} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where, I_{eb}^{min} *and* I_{eb}^{max} is the minimum and maximum beacon interval respectively

Implementation

Algorithm 1 Channel condition based dynamic beacon interval scheme (C2DBI)

1: Input: N_i : Node i; W : CBR period; T_t : Current time; T_{cbr} : Time instant of last CBR calculation
2: Output: I_{eb} for the next period
3: At each timeslot T_t
4: **if** the current $Link_{type}$ is $Shared$ **then**
5: increment $totalSharedSlot$ variable by unity
6: **if** current CCA_{status} is $busy$ or received packet or transmit a packet **then**
7: increment $busySlot$ variable by unity
8: **end if**
9: **end if**
10: **if** the difference between T_t and T_{cbr} is greater than or equal to W **then**
11: $CBR_{(N_i,T_{cbr},W)} = busySlot/totalSharedSlot$
12: **if** the CBR is not equal to 0 **then**
13: $I_{eb} = I_{eb}^{min} + (I_{eb}^{max} - I_{eb}^{min})^{CBR}$
14: **else if**
15: **then** $I_{eb} = I_{eb}^{min}$
16: **end if**
17: Update T_{cbr} by T_t
18: Reset $busySlot$ and $totalSharedSlot$ to 0
19: **end if**


tsch-schedule.c


tsch-slot-operation.c


tsch.c

Scheduling shared cells:

tsch-schedule.c

```
tsch_schedule_create_minimal(void)
{
  struct tsch_slotframe *sf_min;
  /* First, empty current schedule */
  tsch_schedule_remove_all_slotframes();
  /* Build 6TiSCH minimal schedule.
   * We pick a slotframe length of TSCH_SCHEDULE_DEFAULT_LENGTH */
  sf_min = tsch_schedule_add_slotframe(0, TSCH_SCHEDULE_DEFAULT_LENGTH);
  /* Add a single Tx|Rx|Shared slot using broadcast address (i.e. usable for unicast and broadcast).
   * We set the link type to advertising, which is not compliant with 6TiSCH minimal schedule
   * but is required according to 802.15.4e if also used for EB transmission.
   * Timeslot: 0, channel offset: 0. */
  tsch_schedule_add_link(sf_min,
      (LINK_OPTION_RX | LINK_OPTION_TX | LINK_OPTION_SHARED | LINK_OPTION_TIME_KEEPING),
      LINK_TYPE_ADVERTISING, &tsch_broadcast_address,
      0, 0, 1);
/*
   tsch_schedule_add_link(sf_min,
      (LINK_OPTION_RX | LINK_OPTION_TX | LINK_OPTION_SHARED | LINK_OPTION_TIME_KEEPING),
      LINK_TYPE_ADVERTISING, &tsch_broadcast_address,
      25, 0, 1);

    tsch_schedule_add_link(sf_min,
      (LINK_OPTION_RX | LINK_OPTION_TX | LINK_OPTION_SHARED | LINK_OPTION_TIME_KEEPING),
      LINK_TYPE_ADVERTISING, &tsch_broadcast_address,
      50, 0, 1);


    tsch_schedule_add_link(sf_min,
      (LINK_OPTION_RX | LINK_OPTION_TX | LINK_OPTION_SHARED | LINK_OPTION_TIME_KEEPING),
      LINK_TYPE_ADVERTISING, &tsch_broadcast_address,
      75, 0, 1);
*/
}
```

Counting the shared cells:

tsch-slot-operation.c

```
if(cca_status == 0) {
  mac_tx_status = MAC_TX_COLLISION;

 // printf("Channel is busy\n");
  busyy_count=busyy_count+1.0;
  slott_count=slott_count+1.0;

} else
/* TSCH_CCA_ENABLED */
{
  /* delay before TX */
  TSCH_SCHEDULE_AND_YIELD(pt, t, current_slot_start, tsch_timing[tsch_ts_tx_offset] - RADIO_DELAY_BEFORE_TX, "TxBeforeTx");
  TSCH_DEBUG_TX_EVENT();
  /* send packet already in radio tx buffer */
  mac_tx_status = NETSTACK_RADIO.transmit(packet_len);
  tx_count++;
  /* Save tx timestamp */
  tx_start_time = current_slot_start + tsch_timing[tsch_ts_tx_offset];
  /* calculate TX duration based on sent packet len */
  tx_duration = TSCH_PACKET_DURATION(packet_len);
  /* limit tx_time to its max value */
  tx_duration = MIN(tx_duration, tsch_timing[tsch_ts_max_tx]);
  /* turn tadio off -- will turn on again to wait for ACK if needed */
  tsch_radio_off(TSCH_RADIO_CMD_OFF_WITHIN_TIMESLOT);

  if(mac_tx_status == RADIO_TX_OK) {


   if(is_broadcast  && (link_type_value==1 )){  // i have added broadcast packet
          slott_count=slott_count+1.0;

        }
   if(!is_broadcast && link_type_value==1) {

        slott_count=slott_count+1.0;

        }
```

Counting the busy cells:

tsch-slot-operation.c

```
if(!packet_seen) {
  /* no packets on air */
  tsch_radio_off(TSCH_RADIO_CMD_OFF_FORCE);
  if(link_type_value==3 ||link_type_value==1)
            {
            slott_count=slott_count+1.0;
            }
} else {
  TSCH_DEBUG_RX_EVENT();


    if(link_type_value==3 ||link_type_value==1)
            {
            slott_count=slott_count+1.0;
            busyy_count=busyy_count+1.0;
            }
```

Update the EB rate:


```
int period=4;
current_time=clock_time();


if( current_time-last_time>=period*tsch_current_eb_period-100)

{


double k=powf(8.0,(busyy_count/slott_count));

if (k==1)
        delay=tsch_current_eb_period;
else
        delay =tsch_current_eb_period+ceil(tsch_current_eb_period *k);


//printf("No of busy slot %d\n", (int)busyy_count);
//printf("No of total slot %d\n", (int)slott_count);

busyy_count=slott_count=0;
last_time=current_time;
}
```

Results:


```
    if(associate_var==0){
        LOG_INFO("Associated done : %lu seconds\n", (unsigned long)(clock_time() / CLOCK_SECOND));
        associate_time=clock_time();
        associate_var=1;
    }
    tsch_association_count++;
    LOG_INFO("association done (%u), sec %u, PAN ID %x, asn-%x.%lx, jp %u, timeslot id %u, hopping id %u, slotframe len %u with %u links,
from ",
           tsch_association_count,
           tsch_is_pan_secured,
           frame.src_pid,
           tsch_current_asn.ms1b, tsch_current_asn.ls4b, tsch_join_priority,
           ies.ie_tsch_timeslot_id,
           ies.ie_channel_hopping_sequence_id,
           ies.ie_tsch_slotframe_and_link.slotframe_size,
           ies.ie_tsch_slotframe_and_link.num_links);
    LOG_INFO_LLADDR((const linkaddr_t *)&frame.src_addr);
    LOG_INFO_("\n");


    return 1;
  }
 }
 LOG_ERR("! did not associate.\n");
 return 0:
```

Results:


```
  while(1) {

    unsigned long delay;
    if(tsch_is_associated && tsch_current_eb_period > 0
#ifdef TSCH_RPL_CHECK_DODAG_JOINED
      /* Implementation section 6.3 of RFC 8180 */
      && TSCH_RPL_CHECK_DODAG_JOINED()
#endif /* TSCH_RPL_CHECK_DODAG_JOINED */
      /* don't send when in leaf mode */
      && !NETSTACK_ROUTING.is_in_leaf_mode()
        ) {
      /* Enqueue EB only if there isn't already one in queue */
      if(tsch_queue_packet_count(&tsch_eb_address) == 0) {
        uint8_t hdr_len = 0;
        uint8_t tsch_sync_ie_offset;
        /* Prepare the EB packet and schedule it to be sent */
        if(tsch_packet_create_eb(&hdr_len, &tsch_sync_ie_offset) > 0) {
          struct tsch_packet *p;
          /* Enqueue EB packet, for a single transmission only */
          if(!(p = tsch_queue_add_packet(&tsch_eb_address, 1, NULL, NULL))) {
            LOG_ERR("! could not enqueue EB packet\n");
          } else {
            LOG_INFO("TSCH: enqueue EB packet %u %u\n",
                     packetbuf_totlen(), packetbuf_hdrlen());
            p->tsch_sync_ie_offset = tsch_sync_ie_offset;
            p->header_len = hdr_len;
            if(first_beacon_flag==0)
                {
                      LOG_INFO("First EB is generated : %lu seconds \n", (unsigned long)(clock_time() / CLOCK_SECOND));
                      first_beacon_flag=1;
                      joined_time=clock_time();
                }
          }
        }
      }
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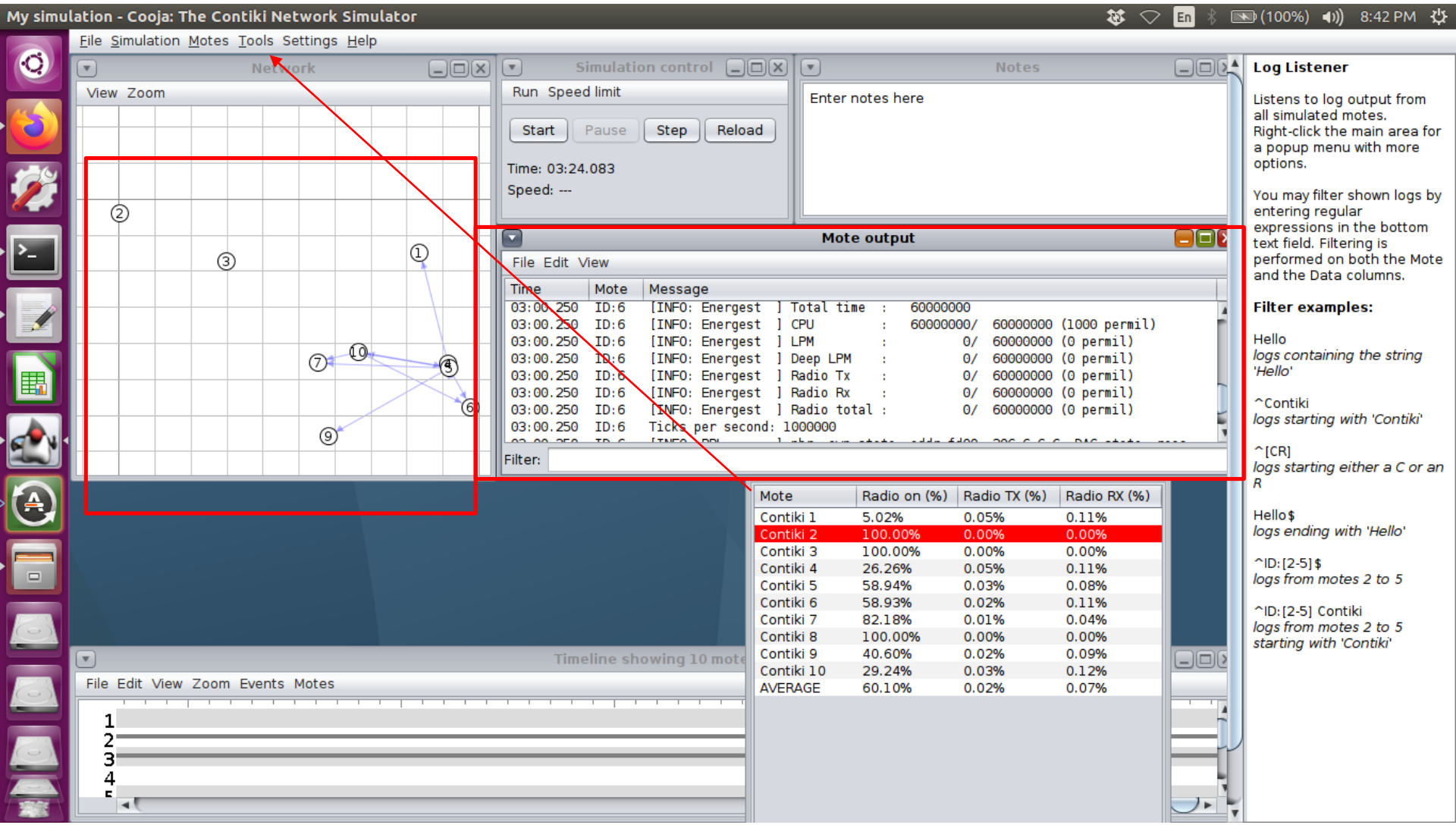
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Network
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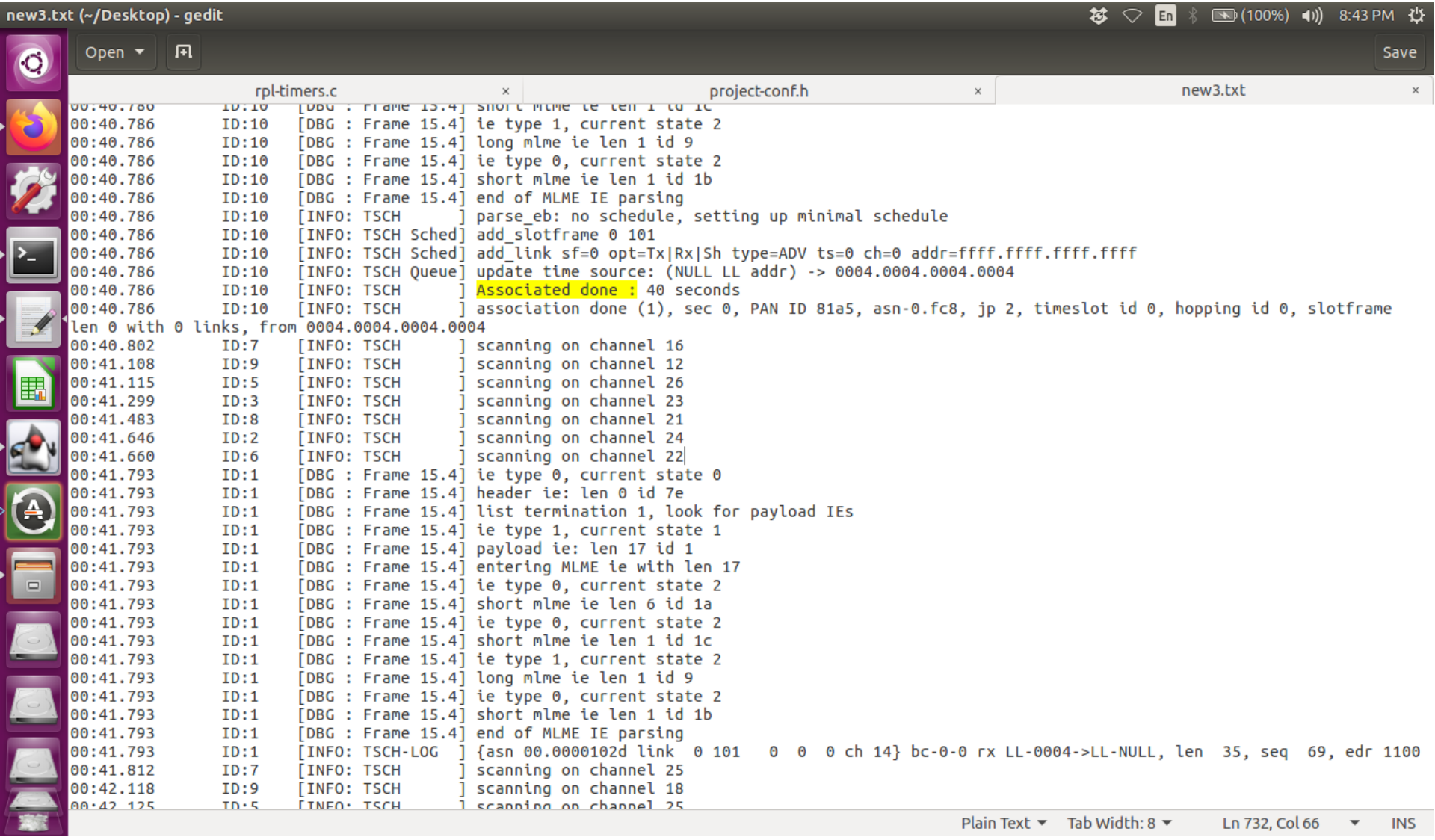
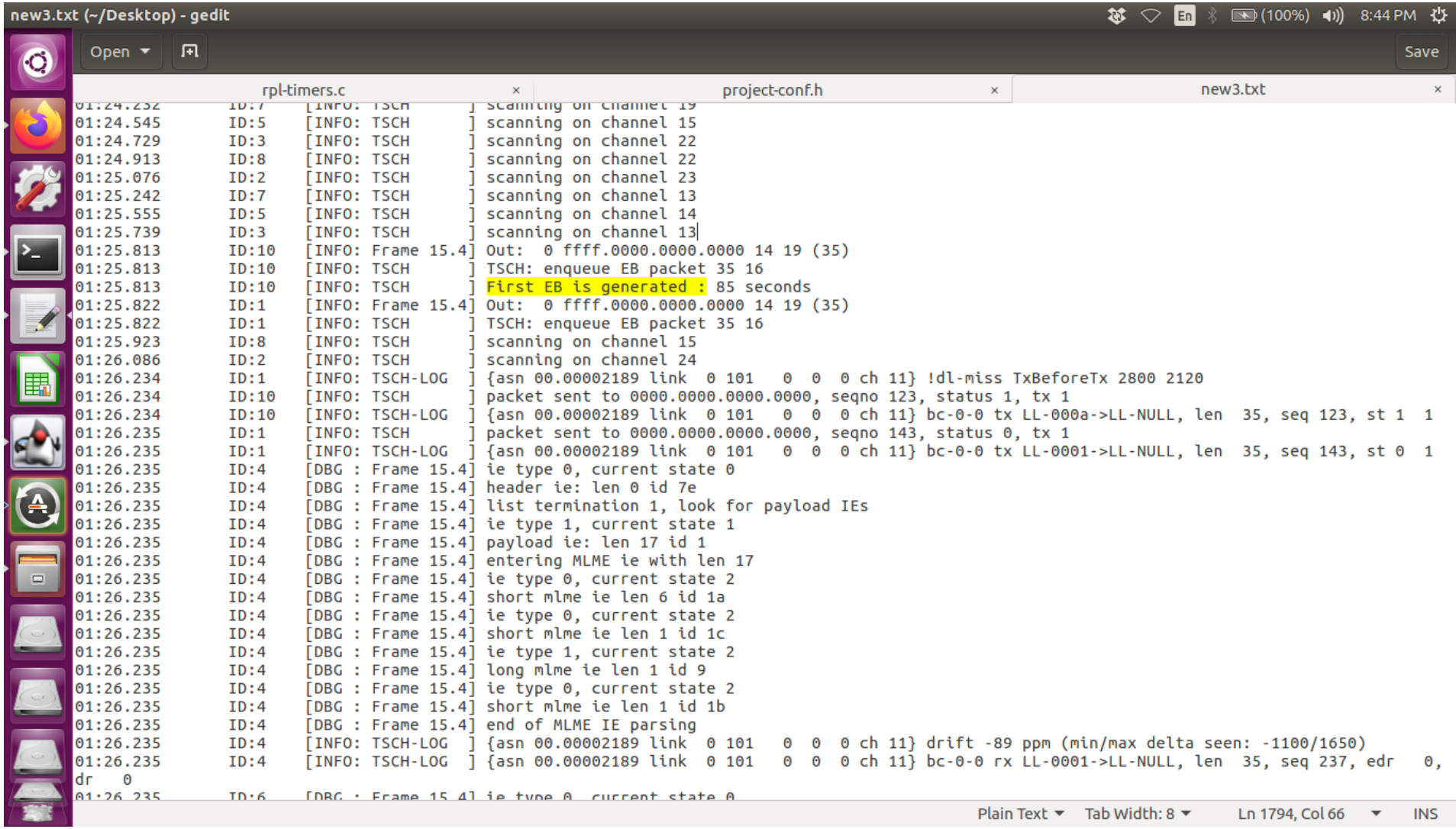
Notes
Enter notes here
Mote output
File Edit View
Time Mote Message
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] Total time : 60000000
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] CPU : 60000000/ 60000000 (1000 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] LPM : 0/ 60000000 (0 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] Deep LPM : 0/ 60000000 (0 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] Radio Tx : 0/ 60000000 (0 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] Radio Rx : 0/ 60000000 (0 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 [INFO: Energest] Radio total : 0/ 60000000 (0 permil)
03:00.250 ID:6 Ticks per second: 1000000
Filter:
Mote Radio on (%) Radio TX (%) Radio RX (%)
Contiki 1 5.02% 0.05% 0.11%
Contiki 2 100.00% 0.00% 0.00%
Contiki 3 100.00% 0.00% 0.00%
Contiki 4 26.26% 0.05% 0.11%
Contiki 5 58.94% 0.03% 0.08%
Contiki 6 58.93% 0.02% 0.11%
Contiki 7 82.18% 0.01% 0.04%
Contiki 8 100.00% 0.00% 0.00%
Contiki 9 40.60% 0.02% 0.09%
Contiki 10 29.24% 0.03% 0.12%
AVERAGE 60.10% 0.02% 0.07%
Timeline showing 10 mote
File Edit View Zoom Events Motes
Log Listener
Listens to log output from all simulated motes. Right-click the main area for a popup menu with more options.
You may filter shown logs by entering regular expressions in the bottom text field. Filtering is performed on both the Mote and the Data columns.
Filter examples:
Hello
logs containing the string 'Hello'
^Contiki
logs starting with 'Contiki'
^[CR]
logs starting either a C or an R
Hello$
logs ending with 'Hello'
^ID:[2-5]$
logs from motes 2 to 5
^ID:[2-5] Contiki
logs from motes 2 to 5 starting with 'Contiki'

Results: TSCH association time

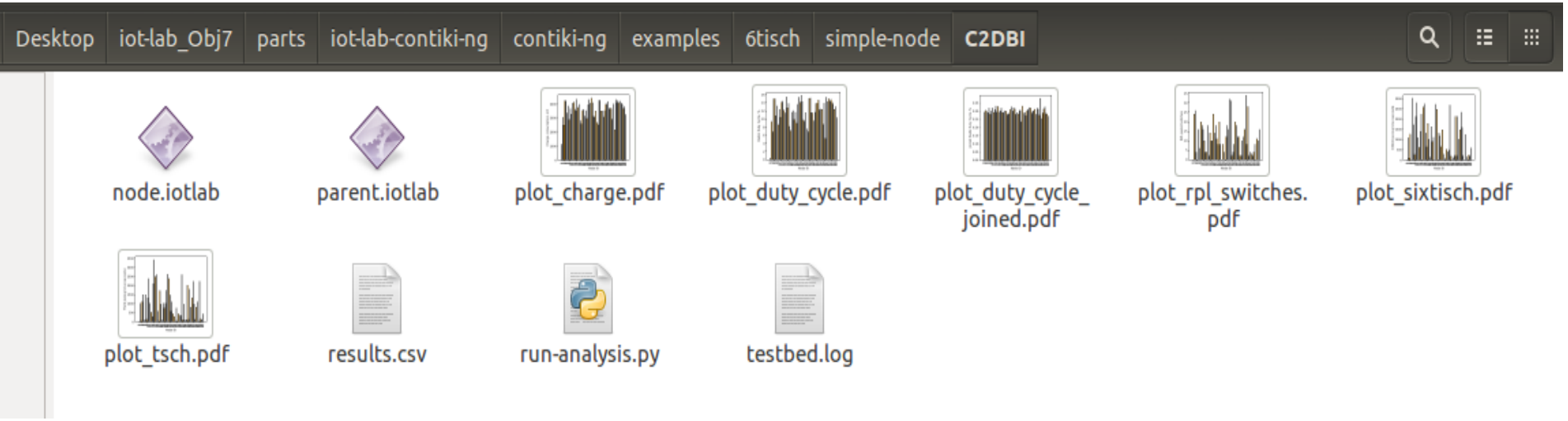


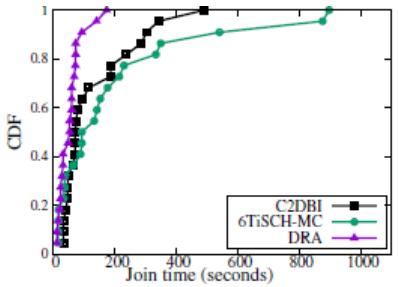
Results: 6TiSCH node



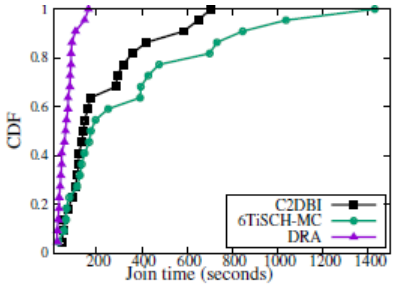
Final Output

➢To get the final desired output you need to filter the logfile generated in Cooja using your preferable language





(a) TSCH formation in 2 × 12



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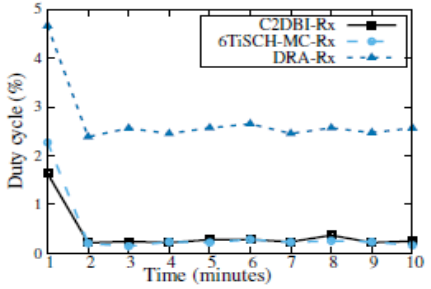

(c) Rx duty cycle in 2 × 12

Thanks!