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Relational routing in WSN

MoteWorks Tutorial

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1. - INTRODUCTION

In this document, we are going to describe the necessary software and its configuration for starting to work in the project “Routing in Wireless Sensor Network (WSN)”. After following this manual, you will be able to reproduce and check our researches and achievements.

2. - USING A VIRTUAL MACHINE

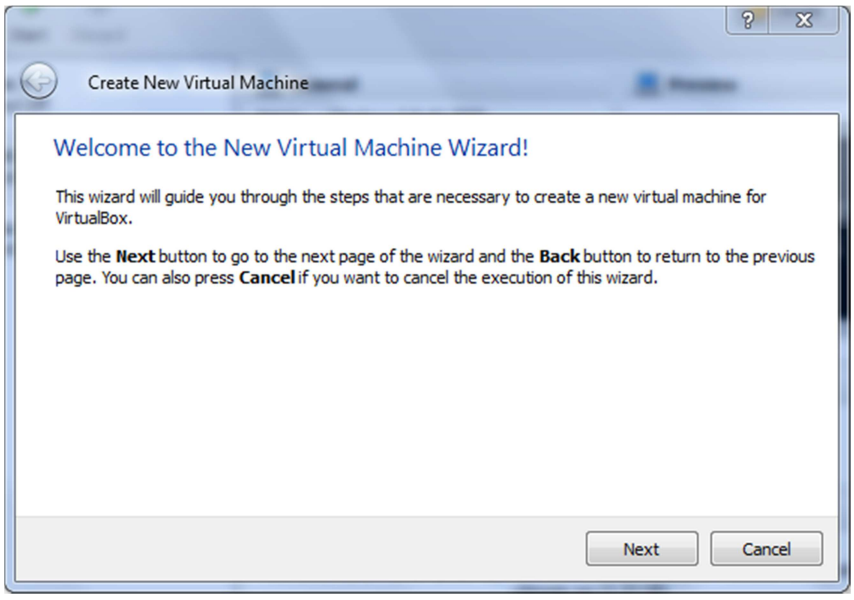
The platform for which is destined this manual is Windows, particularly, Windows XP 32 bits – English (USA). The main reason is that the software provided by Crossbow is not compatible with newer versions of Windows, so the installation process fails. Considering that, we propose using virtualization environment for running Windows XP.

What you will need:

- Virtual Machine. We recommend Oracle VM Virtualbox (link)
- Windows XP ISO file or CD-ROM
- Enough space on your HDD (~10 GB)
- Enough RAM (~512 MB)

Instructions:

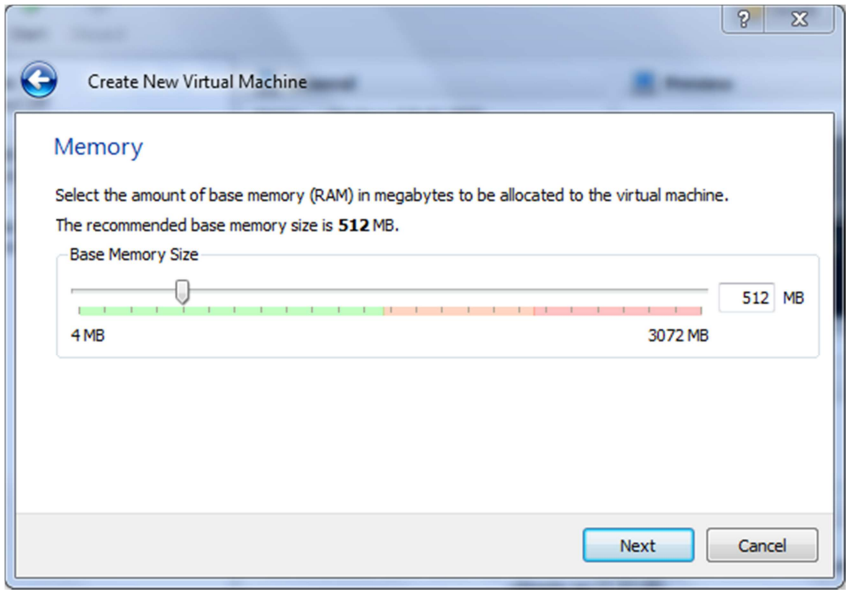
1) Open up VirtualBox and click the 'New' button with a blue sun icon.
2) Click next in this following dialog box that will appear:



3) Type the name of the Virtual Machine and select Windows XP as the OS type, and click Next.

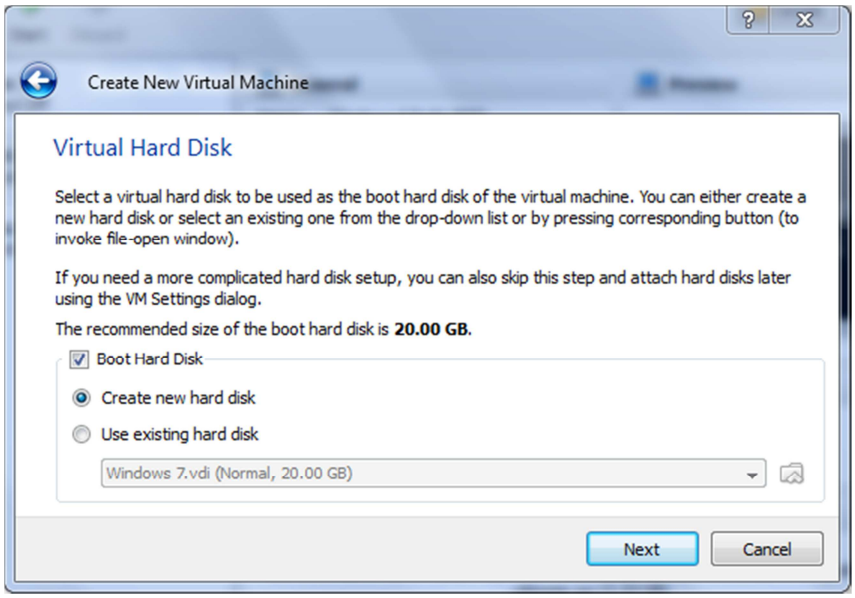
*If you input Windows XP as the name of your VM, the OS Type will auto-adjust to Windows XP.

4) Next, select the amount of RAM in this window (~512MB) and click Next:

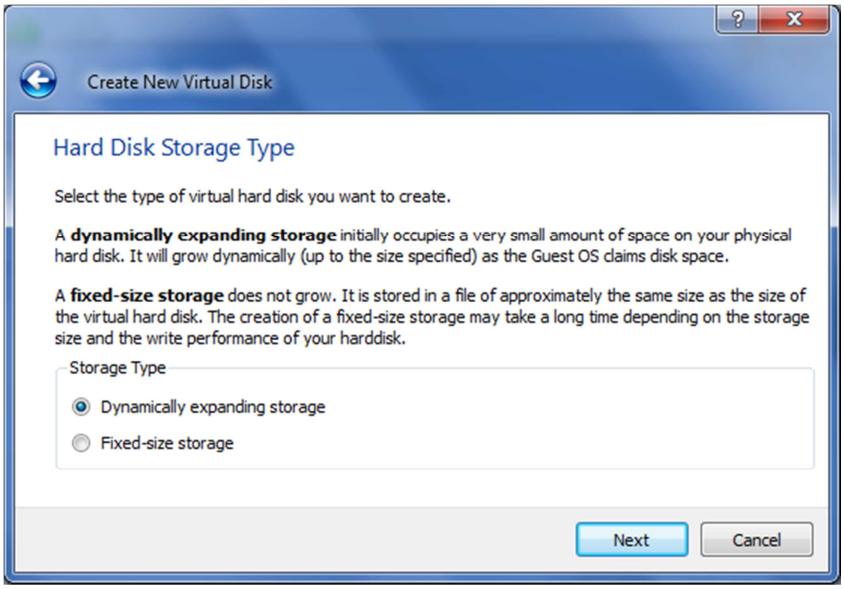


*If you don't have enough RAM to spare, put a bit lesser than 512 MB, but features might be disabled.

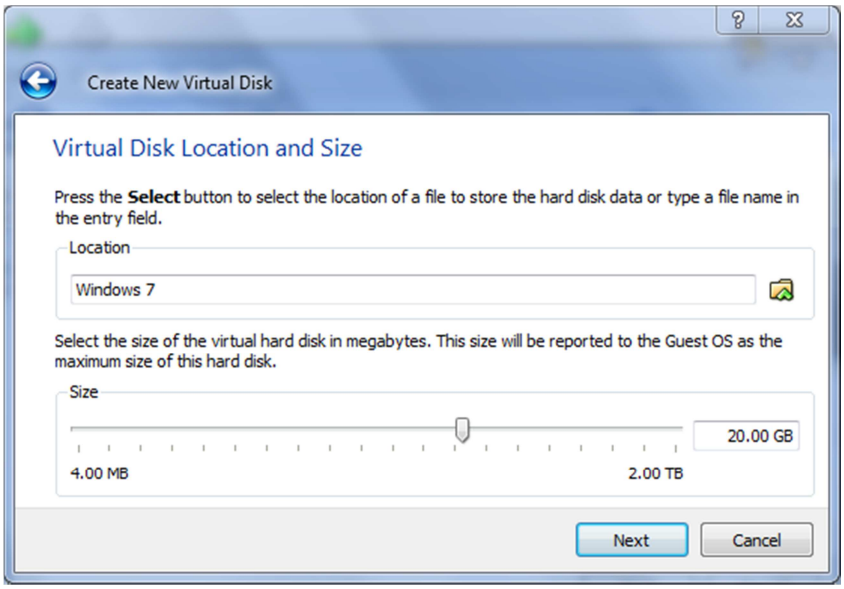
5) Click Next again in this window to create a new virtual disk:



6) A new window will pop-up. Click Next.
7) Select 'Dynamically expanding storage in this window:



8) Click Next in the window.
9) Select 10 GB and click Next in this window:



10) Click Finish in the remaining two windows.
11) Now is the time to go to the Settings page of your new VM and add or disable settings, according to your choice.
12) Double-click on your new Virtual Machine, and a few dialog boxes will popup, ignore them, but not the one that says: 'First Run Wizard' .
13) Navigate to ISO file/CD-ROM by clicking the folder icon with a green arrow and click Next once you're done.
14) Windows XP will now install. Installation will take not much time (probably lesser than 10 minutes).
15) The setup will ask you some info sometimes during the installation process, so don't leave your computer.
16) Done.

3. - INSTALLATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT - MOTEWORKS

MoteWorks is provided with a set of software development tools for custom Mote applications, including custom sensor board drivers, sensor signal conditioning and processing and message handlers. MoteWorks includes an optimized cross-compiler for the target mote platform and an advanced editor for TinyOS application development. MoteWorks automatically installs and configures these development tools for quick set-up and rapid start of development.

3.1. - WHAT YOU NEED FOR INSTALLATION

Requirements:

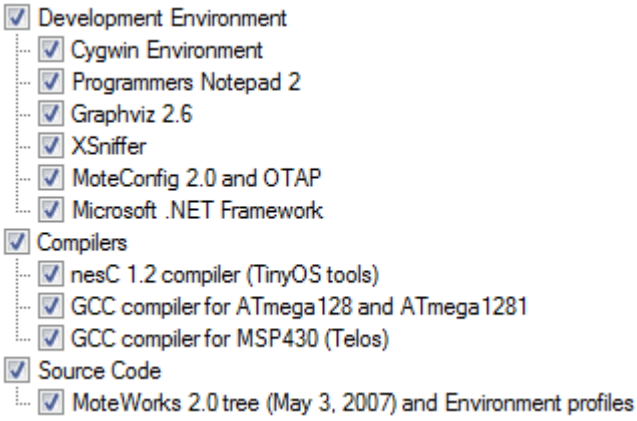
- Crossbow's MoteWorks CD-ROM (link)
- A Windows-based PC
    - Operating System: Microsoft Windows (XP, 2000, NT)
    - 1 GB or more of free space in destination drive
    - 550 MB or more of space in C drive, regardless of destination drive

The MoteWorks InstallShield Wizard setup offers the following software packages:

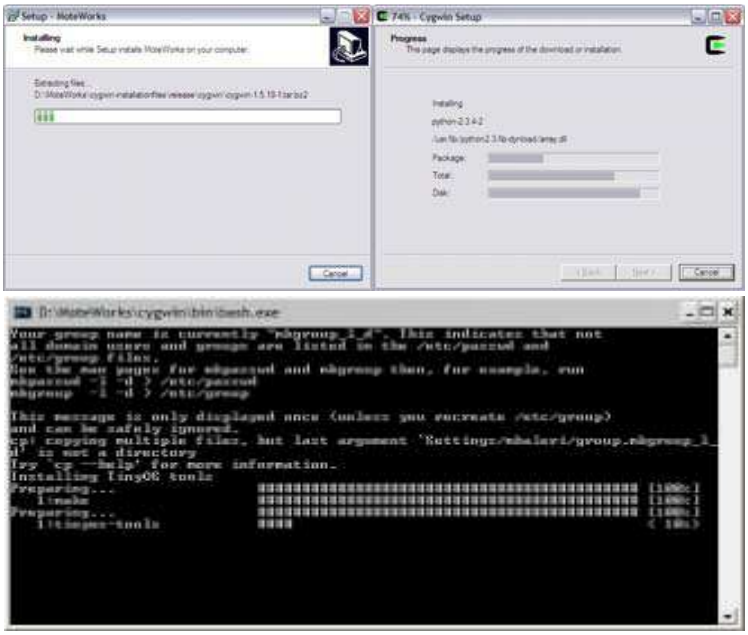
- **TinyOS**: An event-driven OS for wireless sensor networks
- **MoteWorks Tools:** Tools for debugging
- **nesC compiler** - An extension of C-language designed for TinyOS
- **Cygwin** - A Linux like environment for Windows
- **AVR Tools** - A suite of software development tools for Atmel's AVR processors
- **Programmer's notepad** - IDE for code compilation and debugging
- **XSniffer** - Network Monitoring Tool for the RF environment
- **MoteConfig** - GUI environment for Mote Programming and OTAP
- **Graphviz** - To view files made from make docs
- **PuTTY and TortoiseCVS** - Source access through CVS server for Enterprise Users

3.2. - INSTALLATION PROCESS

1) Navigate to folder "MoteWorks" and execute "MoteWorks_2.0.F_Setup.exe" (*2.0.F* is the current version).
2) At the License Agreement page, you should read and check on "I accept the agreement. Click on Next.
3) Specify the destination directory for the MoteWorks (default is *C:\Crossbow*) and click on Next. MoteWorks **should not** be installed to *C:\Program Files\Crossbow*
4) In the Select MoteWorks Components dialog, select Full installation from the drop down (recommended) Click on Next.



5) The windows shown will appear as the installation progresses. Wait patiently for further instructions.

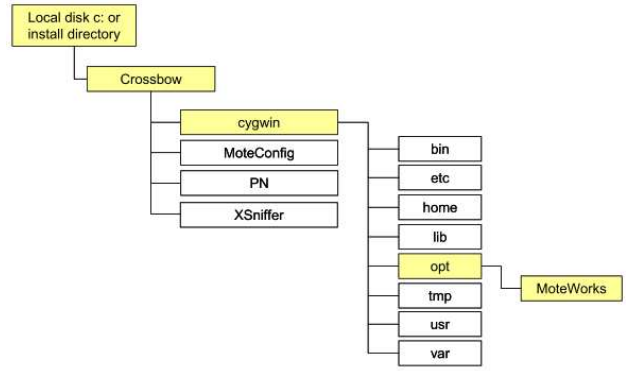


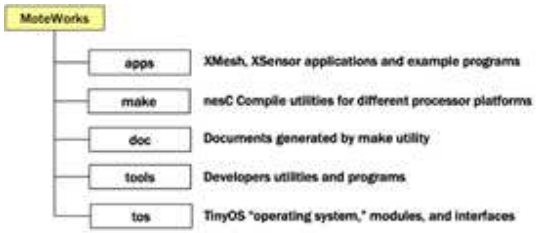
6) The next step is the installation of Programmer's Notepad. At the License Agreement page, you should read and check on "I accept the agreement" before you can proceed further. Click on Next. (Notepad gets installed under the default folder *C:*\ *Crossbow**pn*).

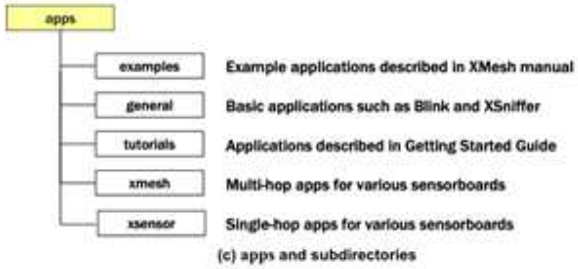
7) The next step is the installation of MoteConfig. Click Next on the welcome window. The installer will guide you through the rest of the process. (MoteConfig gets installed under the default folder *C:*\ *Crossbow**MoteConfig*).

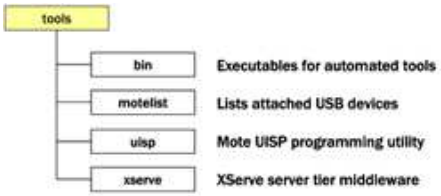
3.3. - MOTEWORKS INSTALLATION STRUCTURE

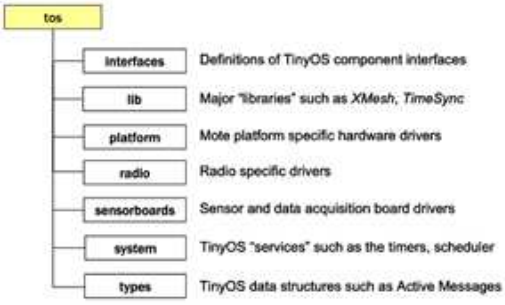
All the MoteWorks components such as *apps/*, *doc/, tools/*, and *tos/* directories are located under *<install dir>/cygwin/opt/MoteWorks/*. In addition the Makefile is in this folder. The environment variables for TOSROOT is set to *<install dir>*. Typically the default *<install dir>* is the *C:\ Crossbow*.











3.4. – CYGWIN

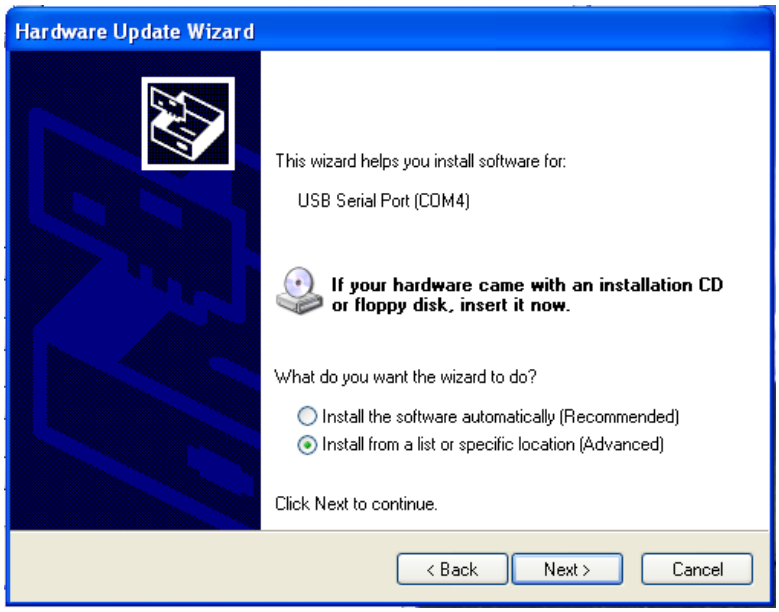
Cygwin is a Unix/Linux emulation environment for Microsoft Windows. It consists of two parts: A DLL (cygwin1.dll) which acts as a Linux API emulation layer providing substantial linux API functionality; a collection of tools, which provide a Linux look and feel. The Cygwin tools are ports of the popular GNU development tools for Microsoft Windows. Cygwin is an optional user interface for compiling and downloading Mote applications in MoteWorks. The Cygwin shell can be started by double clicking on the icon located on your desktop. You should see a new command prompt window.

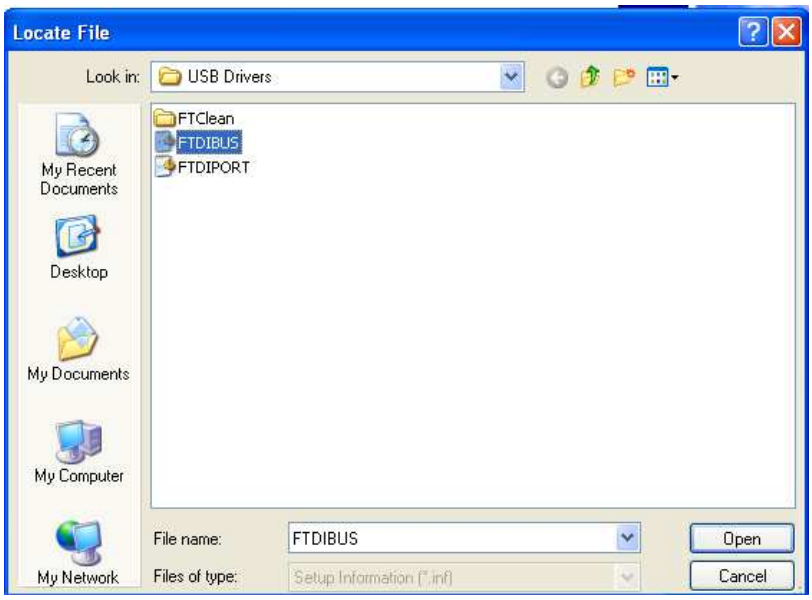
3.5. - CONFIGURING USB

Our platform will be MIB520. It uses the FTDI FT2232C to use the USB port as a virtual COM port. Hence you need to install FT2232C VCP drivers:

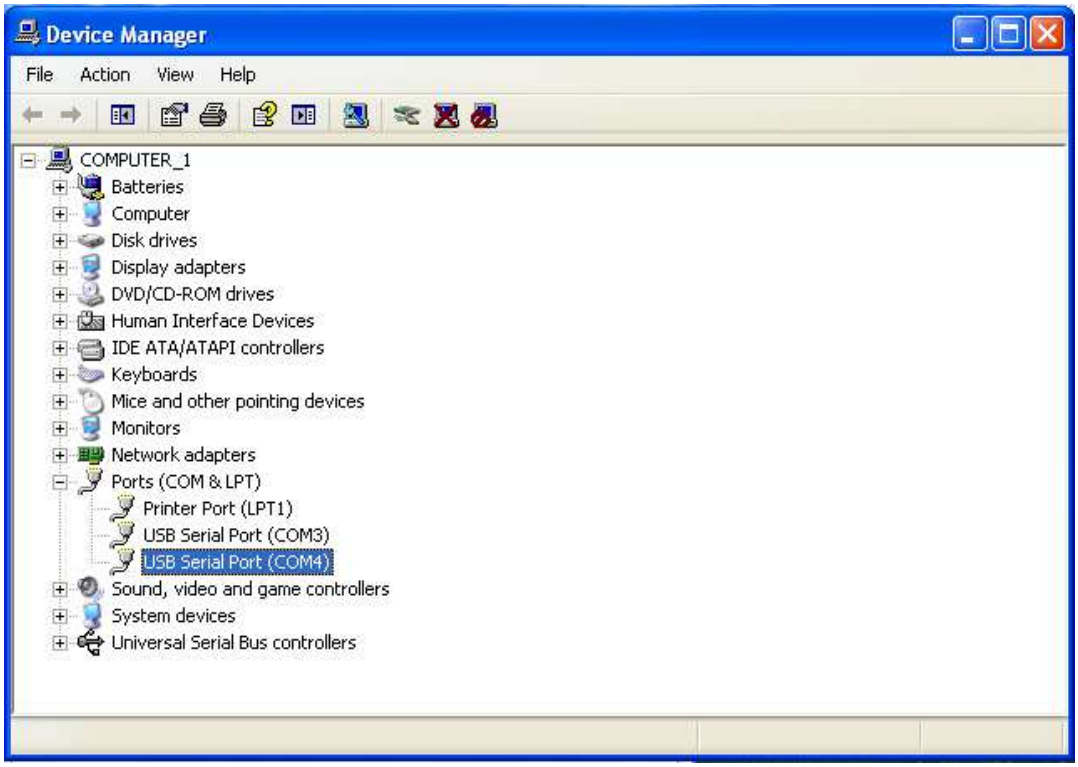
- Plug the USB and click Crossbow MIB520CA [0500]

- When you plug a MIB520 into your PC for the first time, Windows detects and reports it as a new hardware. Please select “Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)” and browse to “MIB520 Drivers” folder of the MoteWorks CDROM. The install shield wizard will guide you through the installation process.





- When the drivers are installed, you will see two serial ports added under the Control Panel>System>Hardware. Make a note of the assigned COM port numbers. In this case, COM3 and COM4.



- The two virtual serial ports for MIB520 are COMx and COM(x+1); COMx is for Mote programming and COM(x+1) is for Mote communication.

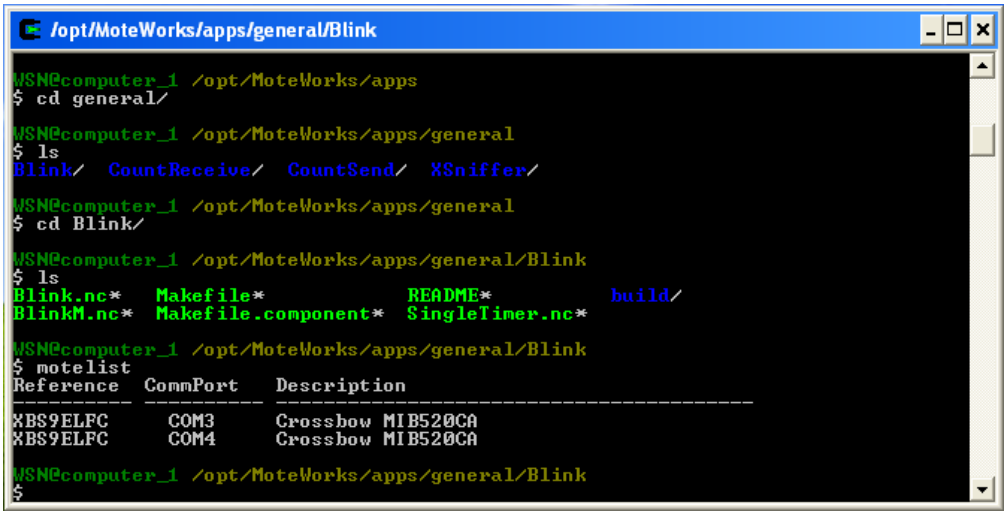
4. – PROGRAMMING BOARDS

4.1. - COMPILING MOTEWORKS APPLICATIONS

The syntax for compiling (building) application code in a Cygwin window is of the form:

```
make <platform>
```

In our case, <platform> is MIB520 (MICAz). Write `motelist` command and you will see the number of the COM ports assigned to the mote:



This example is for programming a MICAz from a MIB510 that is connected to a PC's serial port COM3.

```
make micaz install mib520,com3
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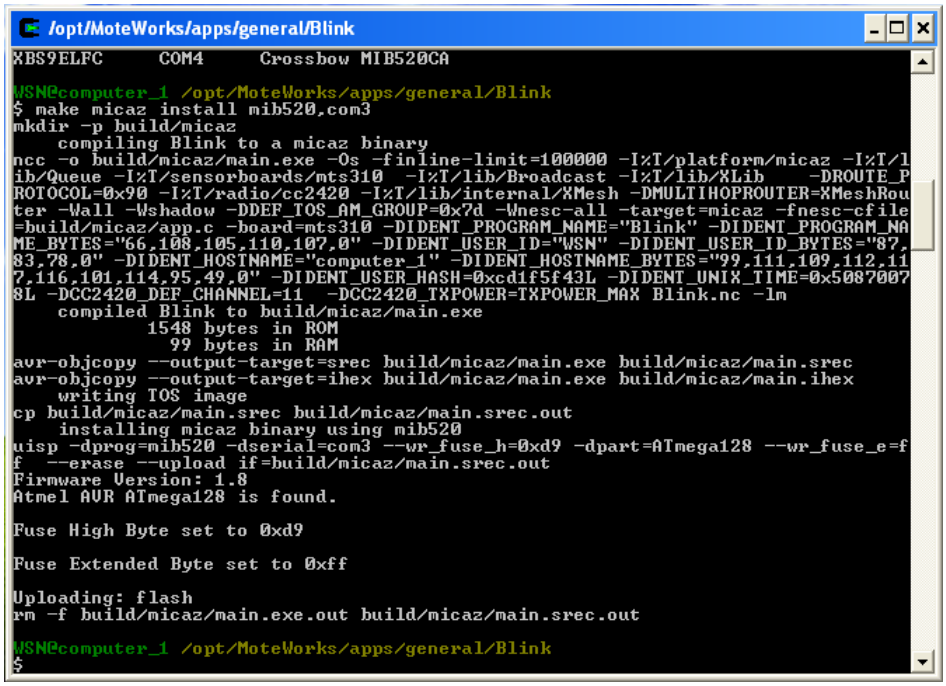
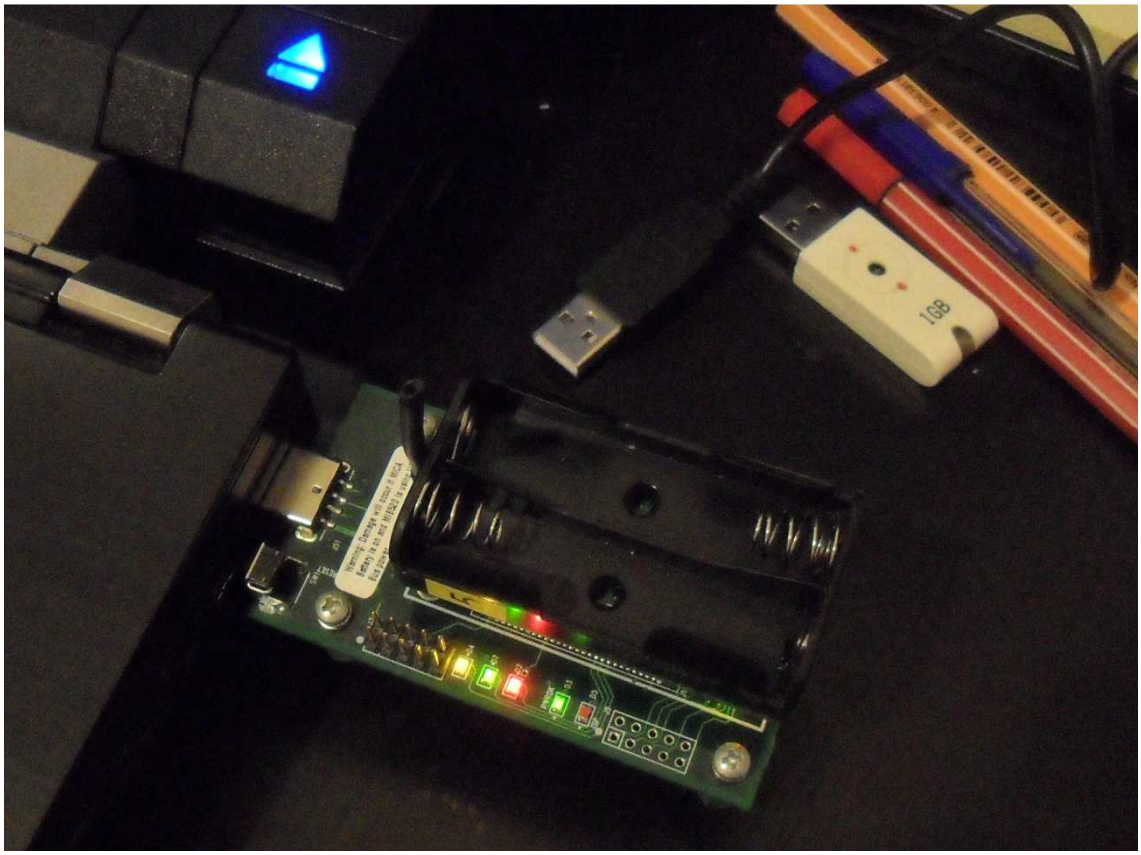


Now, the nesC application is installed and running in the mote:



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