

Assignment 02

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Aim : Basics of Network simulator

objectives:- · Learn Basic concepts about NS-2,
download NS-2, install and work with
NS-2

Theory :- Network simulator has become an integral part of most research works in the field of computer networks. Whether it is for understanding the behaviour of existing protocols or determine the performance of a new protocol, one doesn't often get access to real network devices. This gap has been filled up by network simulation to a large extent.

Network simulator version 2 (NS-2) is a discrete event packet level simulator. The Network simulator covers a very large number of applications of different kind of protocols of different network types. consisting of different network elements and traffic models. NS-2 is a package of tools that simulates behaviour of networks such as creating networks topologies, log events that happens under any load analyze the events and understand the network.

NS-2 based on two languages C++ and OTCL (Object oriented version of tool command language). while NS-2 core is written in C++. one use of OTCL is to write the simulation scripts.

• C++ helps in the following way:

- 1) Helps to increase efficiency of simulation
- 2) It is used to provide details of the protocols & their operations.
- 3) It is used to reduce packet and event processing time.

• OTCL helps in following way.

- 1) With the help of OTCL we can describe different network topologies
- 2) It helps us to specify the protocols and their applications.
- 3) It allows fast development.
- 4) Tcl compatible with many platforms and it is flexible for integration.

5] TCL is very easy to use and it is available in free

There is a linkage between etl and otl, which allows us to run the simulation scripts.

- Basics of Tcl programming for NS-2
Network simulator NS-2 would involve the following general steps.

1. Initialization and termination aspects of network simulator object

2. Defining the network topology: nodes, links, queues, mobility of nodes if any.

3. Defining the network traffic: creating agents and their applications.

4. setting trace for the network Animator
NAM

5. Tracing.

1. Write a TCL script to simulate following scenario.

Consider a small network with five nodes n0, n1, n2, n3, n4, forming a star topology. The node n4 is at the center. Node n0 is a TCP source, which transmits packets to node n3 (a TCP sink) through the node n4. Node n1 is another traffic source, and sends UDP packets to node n2 through n4. The duration of the simulation time is 10 seconds.

Script :

```
set ns [new Simulator]
set namfile [open ex_01.nam w]
$ns namtrace-all $namfile

set tracefile [open ex_01.tr w]
$ns trace-all $tracefile

set n0 [$ns node]
set n1 [$ns node]
set n2 [$ns node]
set n3 [$ns node]
set n4 [$ns node]

$ns duplex-link $n0 $n4 1Mb 10ms DropTail
$ns duplex-link $n1 $n4 1Mb 10ms DropTail
$ns duplex-link $n4 $n3 1Mb 10ms DropTail
$ns duplex-link $n4 $n2 1Mb 10ms DropTail

set tcp [new Agent/TCP]
$ns attach-agent $n0 $tcp

set sink [new Agent/TCPSink]
$ns attach-agent $n3 $sink

$ns connect $tcp $sink

set ftp [new Application/FTP]
$ftp attach-agent $tcp

set udp [new Agent/UDP]
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$ns attach-agent $n1 $udp

set null [new Agent/Null]
$ns attach-agent $n2 $null

$ns connect $udp $null

$udp set class_ 1
$ns color 1 Blue

$tcp set class_ 2
$ns color 2 Red

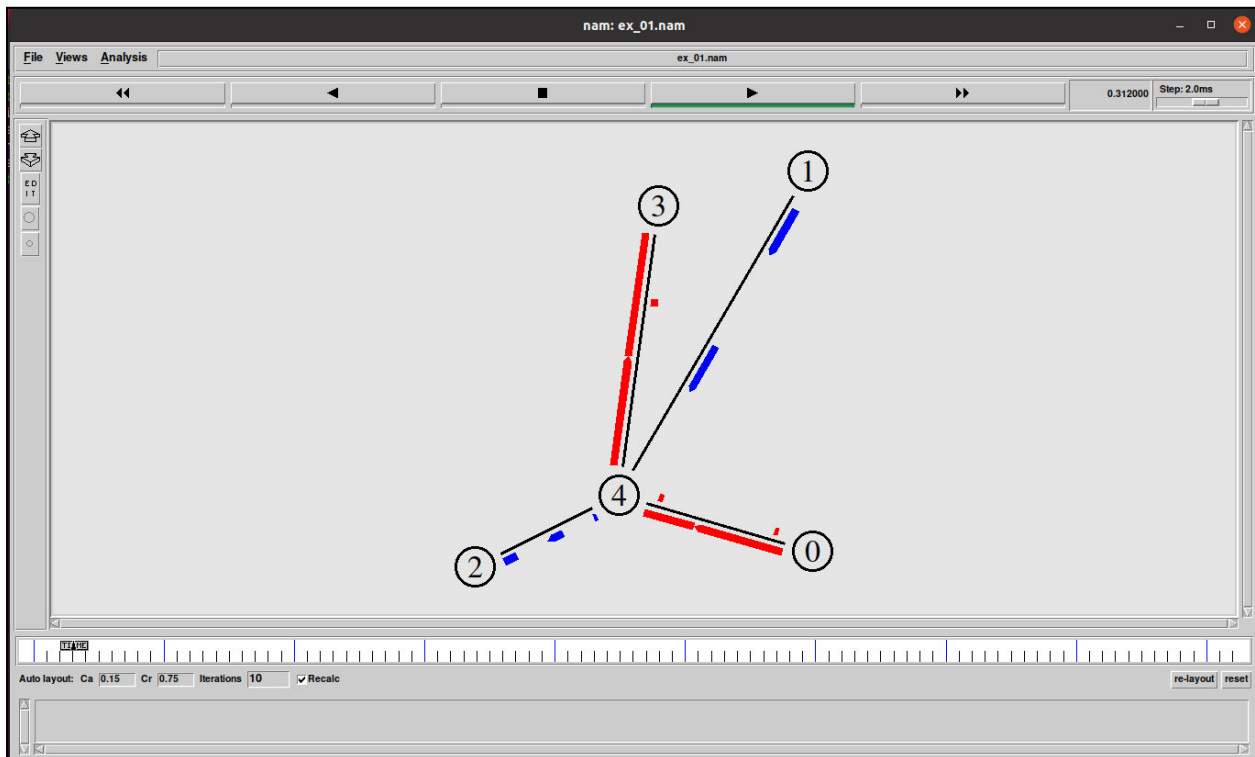
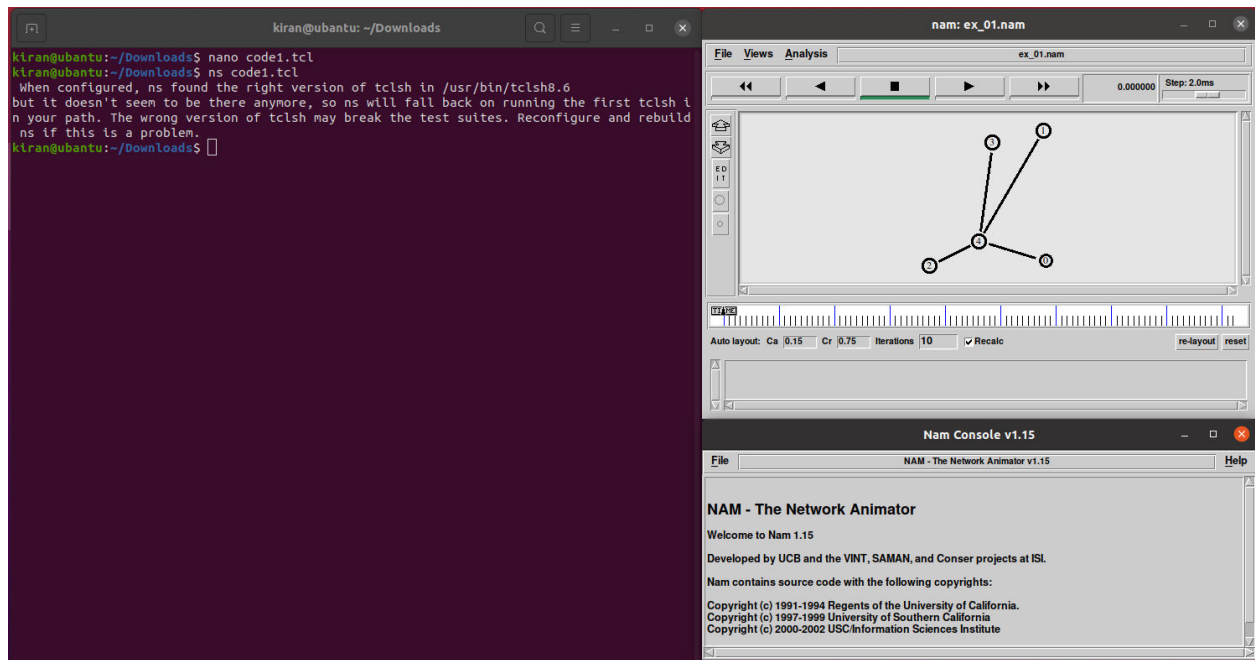
set cbr [new Application/Traffic/CBR]
$cbr set packetsize_ 500
$cbr set interval_ 0.005
$cbr attach-agent $udp

$ns at 0.0 "$cbr start"
$ns at 0.0 "$ftp start"
$ns at 9.0 "$cbr stop"
$ns at 9.0 "$ftp stop"

proc finish {} {
global ns namfile tracefile
$ns flush-trace
close $namfile
close $tracefile
exec nam ex_01.nam &
exit 0
}

$ns at 10.0 "finish"
$ns run
```

Output :



2. Write a TCL script to simulate a file transfer with ns2

Consider a client and a server. The server is running a FTP application (over TCP). The client sends a request to download a file of size 10 MB from the server. Write a script to simulate this scenario. Let node #0 be the server and node #1 be the client. TCP packet size is 1500 B. Assume typical values for other parameters.

Script :

```
set ns [new Simulator]

#Define different colors for data flows (for NAM)
$ns color 1 Blue
$ns color 2 Red

#Open the NAM trace file
set nf [open out.nam w]
$ns namtrace-all $nf

#Define a 'finish' procedure
set outfile [open "bytesReceived.xg" w]

# procedure to plot the bytesReceived window
proc plotWindow {tcpSource outfile} {
    global ns
    set now [$ns now]
    set cwnd [$tcpSource set cwnd_]

    # the data is recorded in a file called bytesReceived.xg (this can be plotted # using xgraph or gnuplot. this example uses xgraph to plot the cwnd_
    puts $outfile "$now $cwnd"
    $ns at [expr $now+0.1] "plotWindow $tcpSource $outfile"
}

proc finish {} {
    global ns nf
    $ns flush-trace
    #Close the NAM trace file
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        close $nf

        #Execute NAM on the trace file
        exec nam out.nam &
        exec xgraph bytesReceived.xg -geometry 500x500 &
        exit 0
    }

    #Create four nodes
    set n0 [$ns node]
    set n1 [$ns node]

    #Create links between the nodes
    $ns duplex-link $n0 $n1 10Mb 10ms DropTail

    #Setup a TCP connection $n0->$n1
    set tcp [new Agent/TCP]
    $ns attach-agent $n0 $tcp
    set sink [new Agent/TCPSink]
    $ns attach-agent $n1 $sink
    $ns connect $tcp $sink
    $tcp set fid_ 1

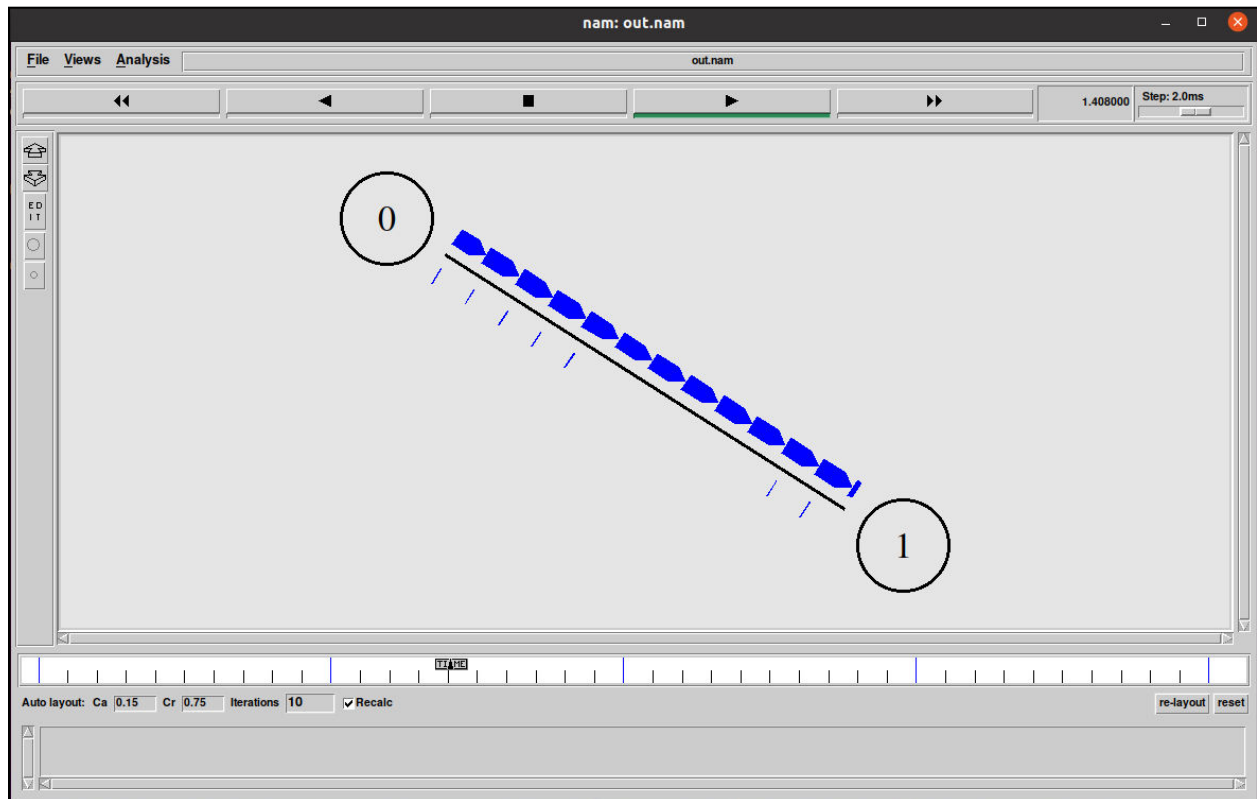
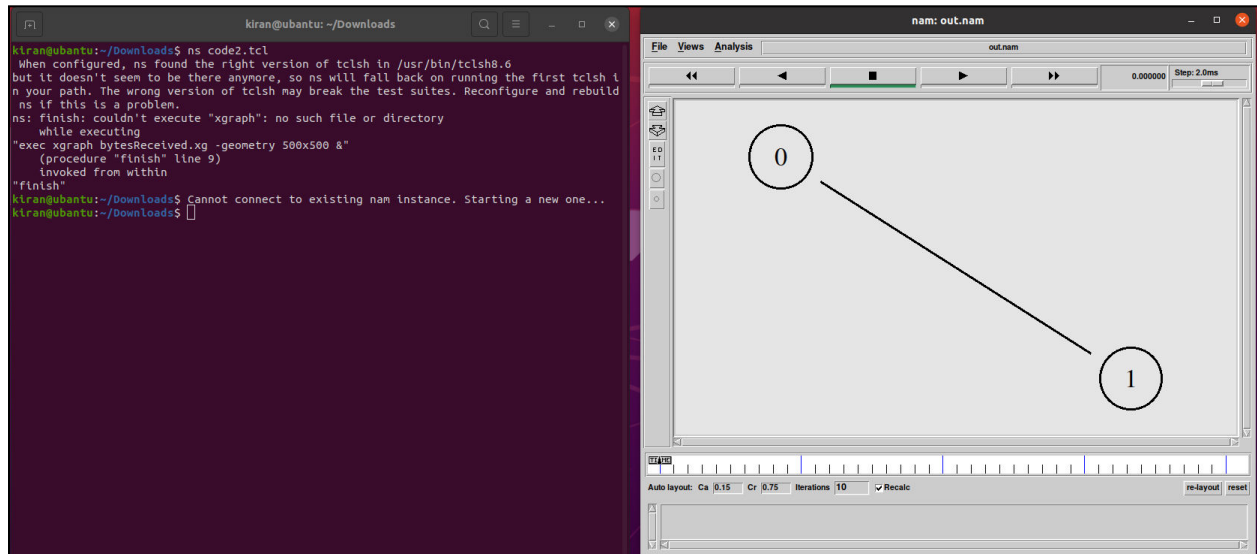
    set ftp [new Application/FTP]
    $ftp attach-agent $tcp
    $ftp set type_ FTP

    #schedule
    $ns at 0.0 "plotWindow $tcp $outfile"
    $ns at 1.0 "$ftp start"
    $ns at 4.0 "$ftp stop"
    #Call the finish procedure after 5 seconds of simulation time
    $ns at 6.0 "finish"

    #Run the simulation
    $ns run

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Output :



Conclusion :

- From this experiment we have learned to install the NS2 then executed the script observed the animated output and various fields of the network simulator.
- while running the script two more files created 1. Filename.tr and 2.filename .nam The .nam file gives the simulation.
- The NS2 has various options like files, views, analysis also we can start, stop fast forward/backword the simulation using NS2.