

Project Report

CSE – 5344 Computer Networks



Project: **Network Environment Simulation**

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OBJECTIVE

Build a simple topology by ns-3. You need to write a script file by c. You will use ns-3 library. This is a very useful simulation tool which support all kinds of networks and network device, not just fabric and host, but also wifi and SDN-enable switches.

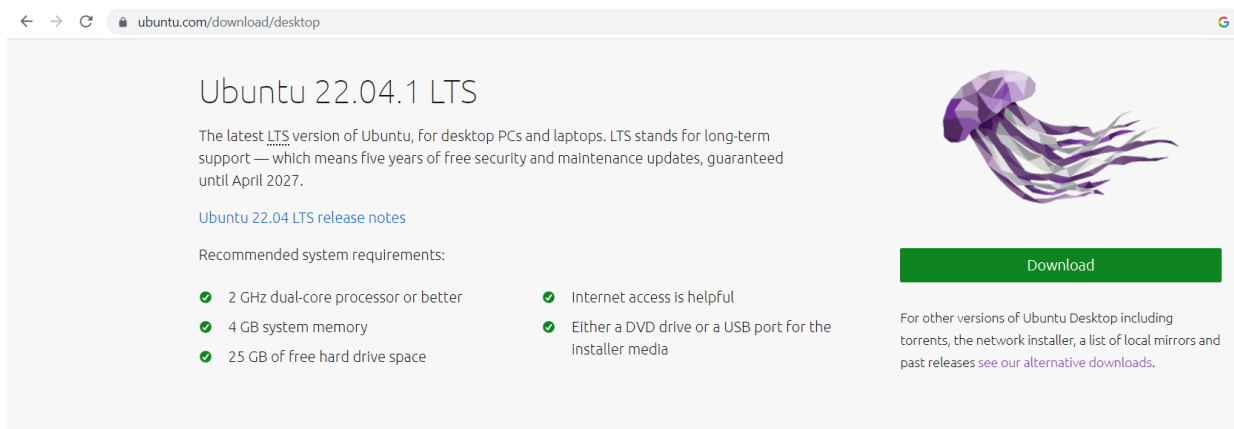
Installation Steps

Installation of ns-3 in Ubuntu:

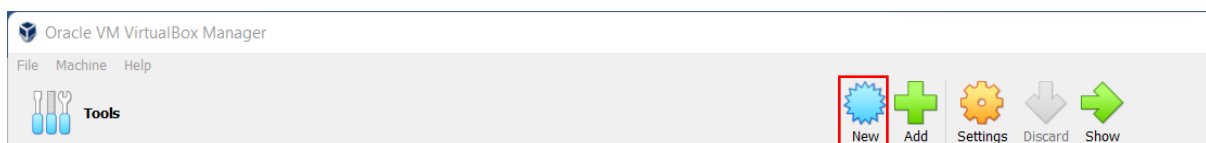
Step 1: Download and install VirtualBox via <https://www.virtualbox.org/>



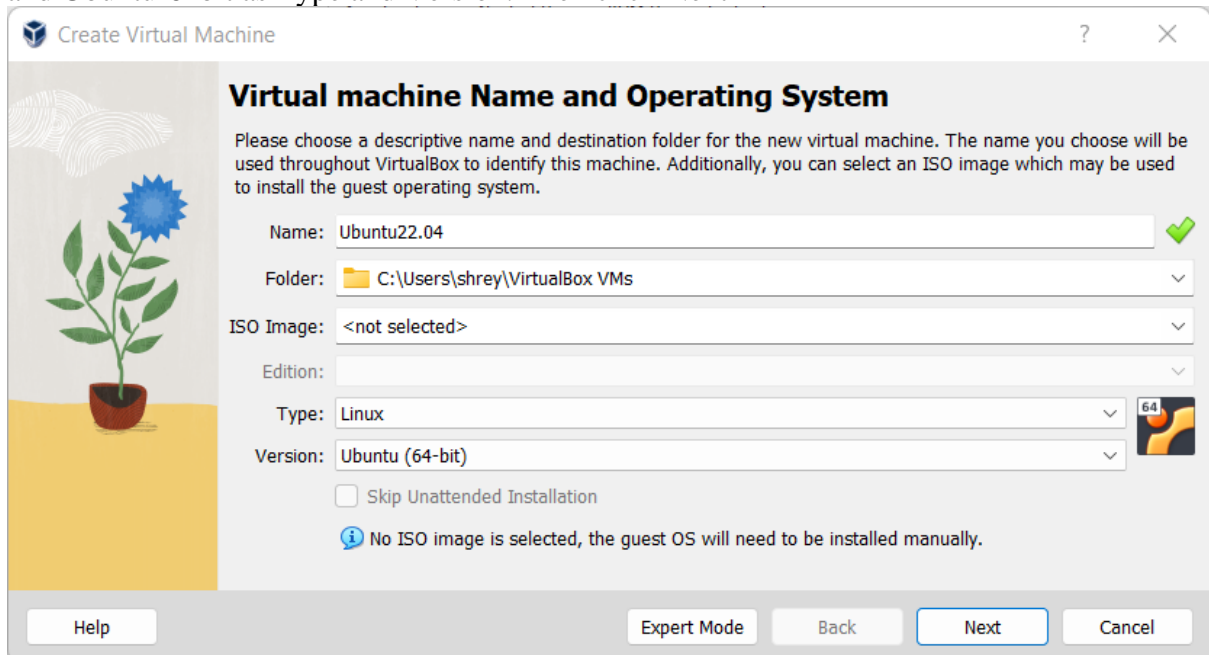
Step 2: Download Ubuntu via <https://ubuntu.com/download/desktop>



Step 3: Create New Virtual Machine Instance



Step 4: Name your virtual machine, choose a folder your file would be stored. Select Linux and Ubuntu-64bit as Type and Version. Then click Next

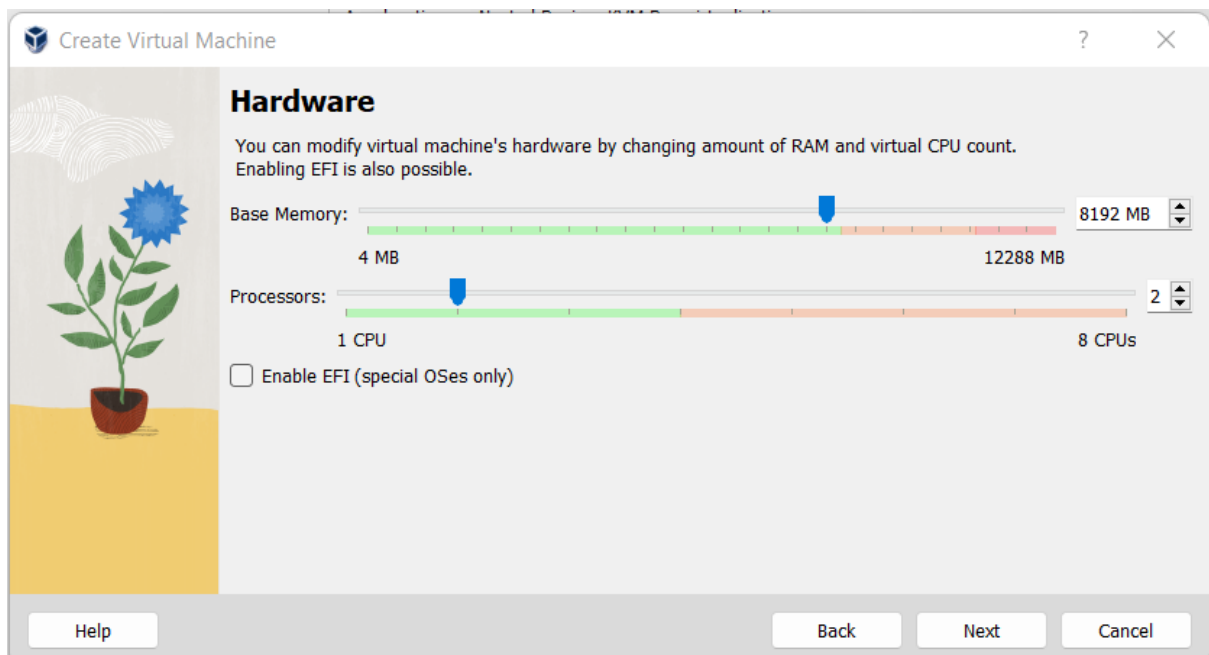


The screenshot shows the 'Create Virtual Machine' window with the 'Virtual machine Name and Operating System' tab selected. The window has a title bar with a question mark and a close button. On the left is a decorative illustration of a potted plant with a blue flower. The main area contains the following fields and options:

- Name:** A text box containing 'Ubuntu22.04' with a green checkmark icon to its right.
- Folder:** A dropdown menu showing 'C:\Users\shrey\VirtualBox VMs'.
- ISO Image:** A dropdown menu showing '<not selected>'.
- Edition:** A dropdown menu.
- Type:** A dropdown menu showing 'Linux'.
- Version:** A dropdown menu showing 'Ubuntu (64-bit)'.
- ☐ Skip Unattended Installation
- An information icon followed by the text: 'No ISO image is selected, the guest OS will need to be installed manually.'

At the bottom, there are four buttons: 'Help', 'Expert Mode', 'Back', and 'Next' (which is highlighted with a blue border), and a 'Cancel' button.

Select appropriate Base Memory and Processors and click Next again

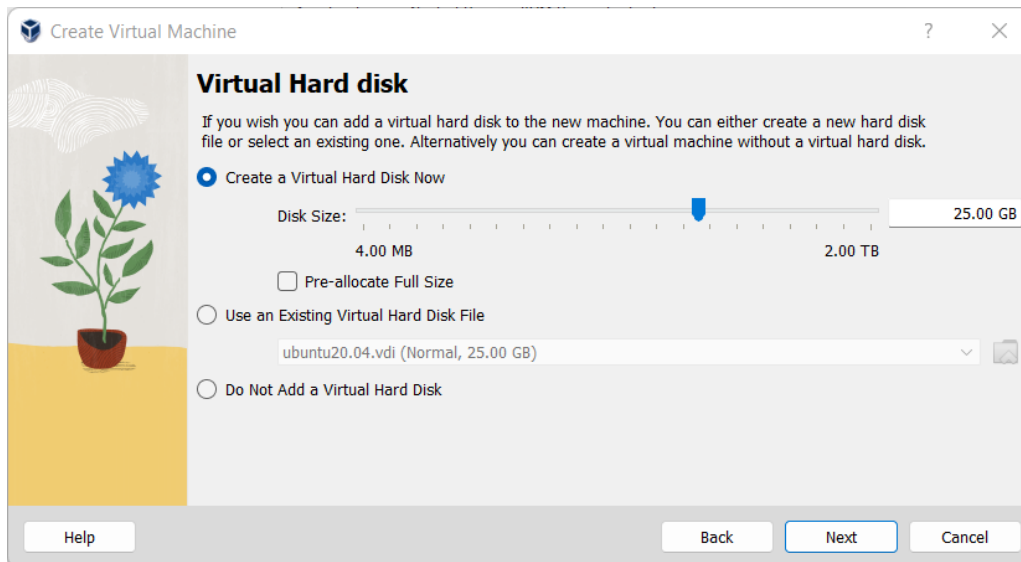


The screenshot shows the 'Create Virtual Machine' window with the 'Hardware' tab selected. The window has a title bar with a question mark and a close button. On the left is the same decorative illustration of a potted plant. The main area contains the following fields and options:

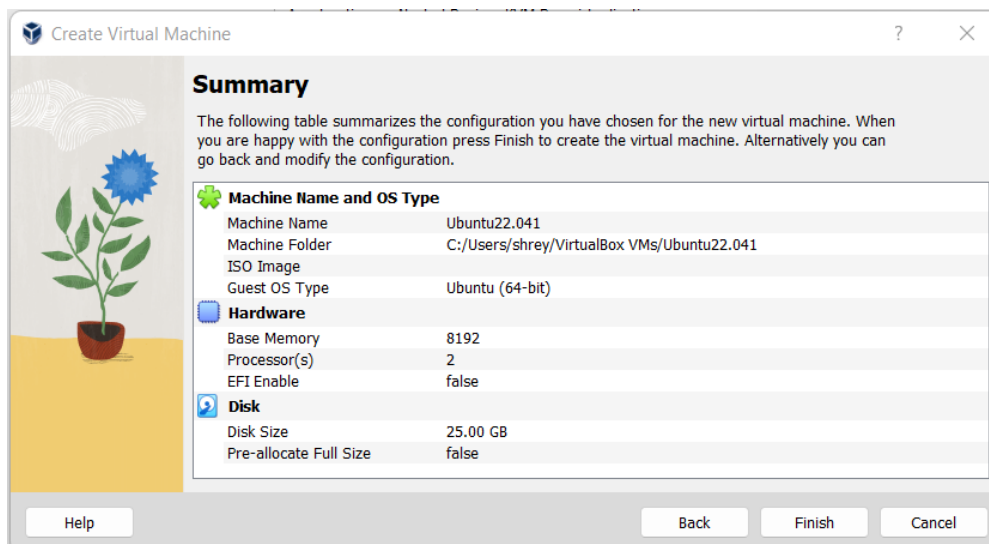
- Base Memory:** A slider bar ranging from 4 MB to 12288 MB, with a blue marker at 8192 MB. The value '8192 MB' is displayed in a box to the right of the slider.
- Processors:** A slider bar ranging from 1 CPU to 8 CPUs, with a blue marker at 2. The value '2' is displayed in a box to the right of the slider.
- ☐ Enable EFI (special OSes only)

At the bottom, there are four buttons: 'Help', 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel'.

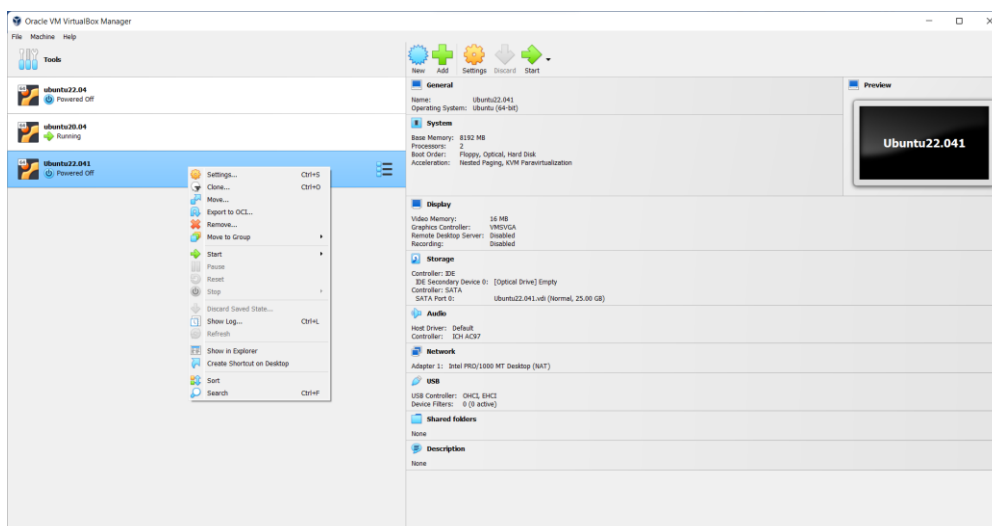
Click Next



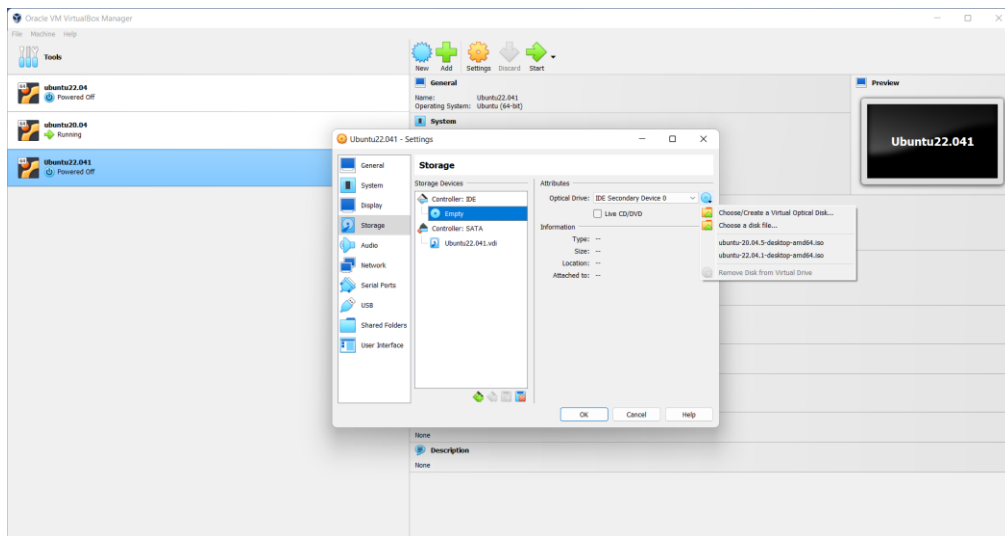
Click Finish



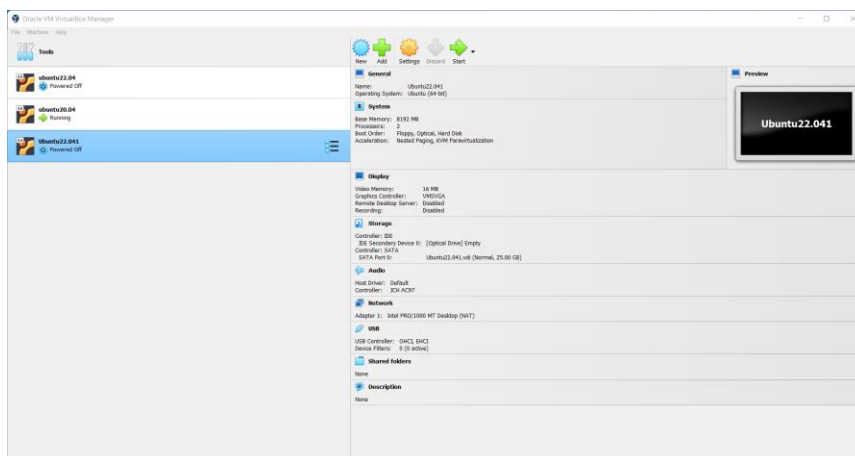
Step 5: Right Click on the Virtual Machine created and click on Settings



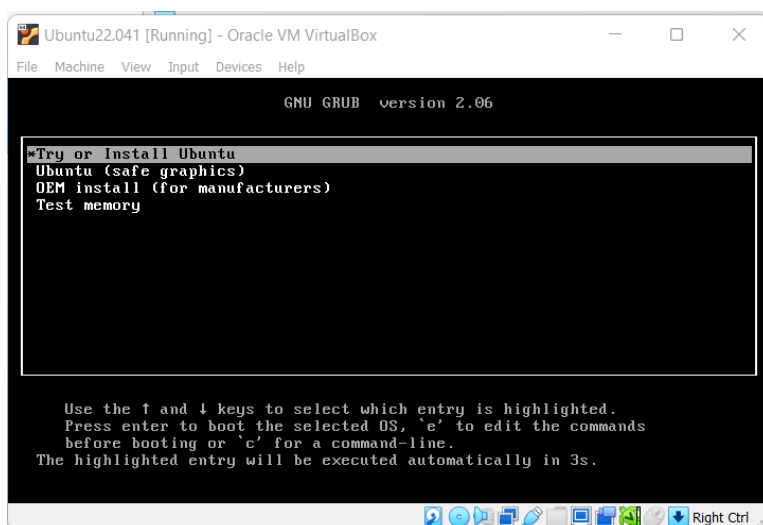
Step 6: Under Storage, click on the disk and choose downloaded Ubuntu file and click Ok



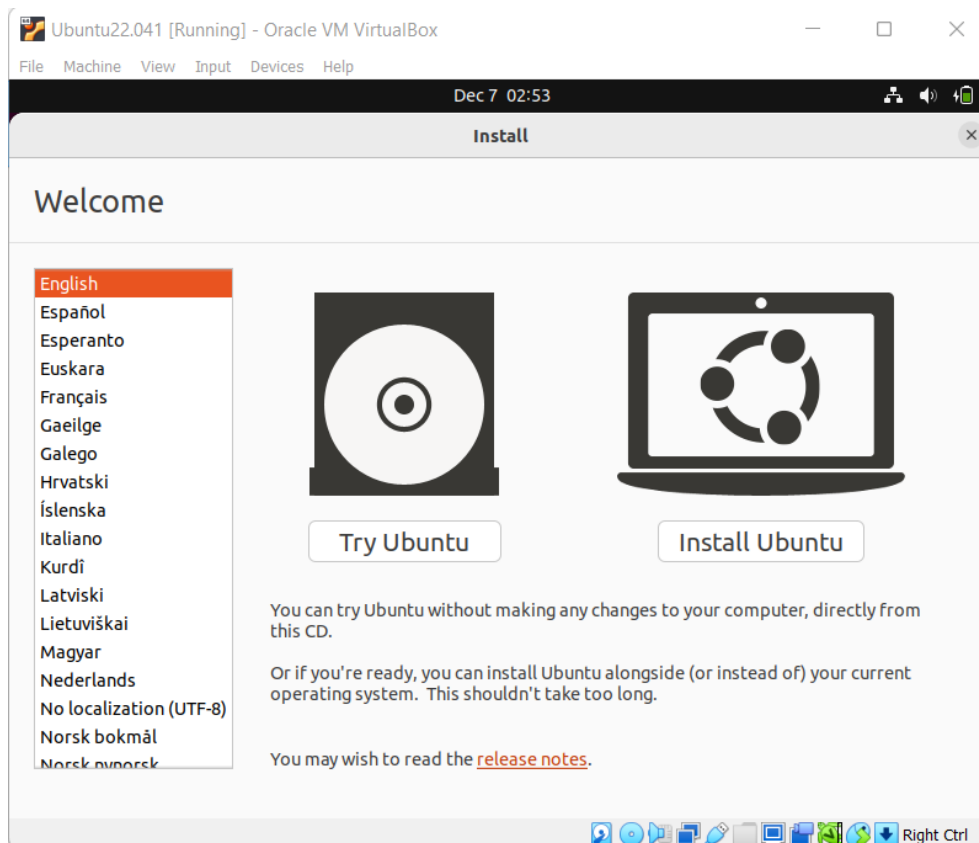
Step 7: Select the Virtual Machine you created and click on Start



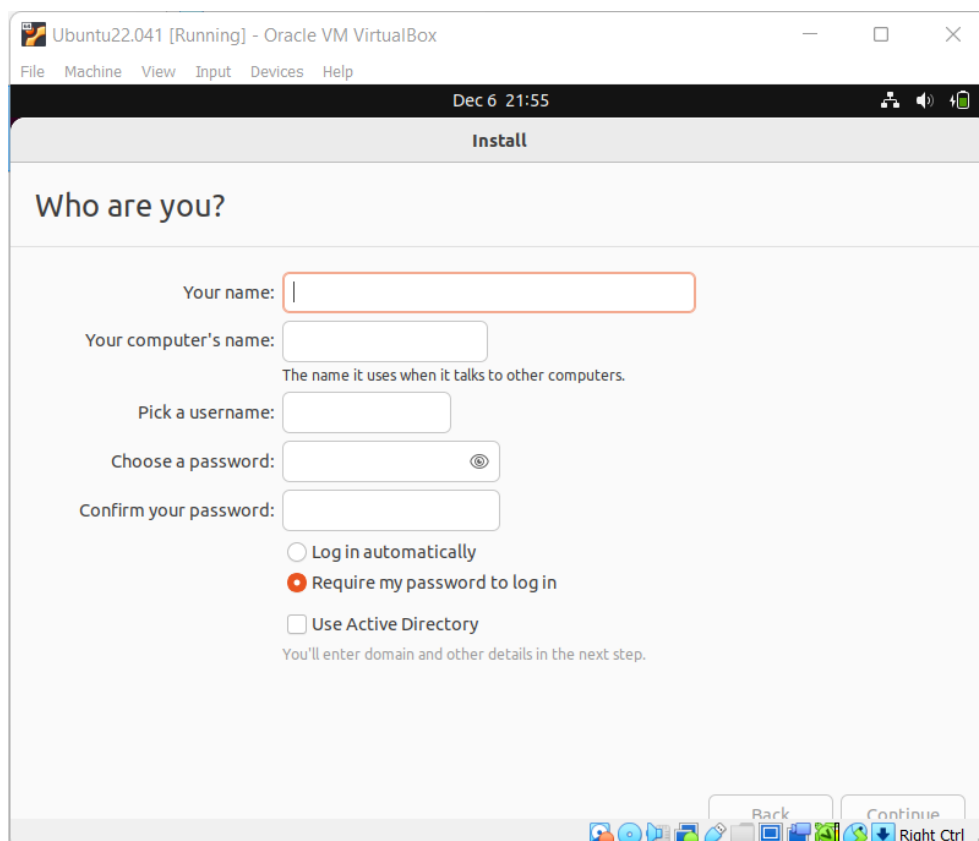
Step 8: Click on Try and Install Ubuntu



Step 9: Click on Install Ubuntu



Step 10: Enter the details and click Continue which install ubuntu



Step 11: Open the Terminal and run following commands to install ns-3 (version is 3.33)

Make sure that you are on the Home Directory

```
cd ~
```

Update the Ubuntu Repo and Existing Applications

```
sudo apt update
```

```
sudo apt -y upgrade
```

Install Core Dependencies for Build and Compilation

```
sudo apt install build-essential libsqlite3-dev libboost-all-dev  
libssl-dev git python3-setuptools castxml
```

Install Dependencies for NS-3 Python bindings

```
sudo apt install gir1.2-gooCanvas-2.0 gir1.2-gtk-3.0  
libgirepository1.0-dev python3-dev python3-gi python3-gi-cairo  
python3-pip python3-pygraphviz python3-pygccxml
```

Install Dependencies for NS-3

```
sudo apt install g++ pkg-config sqlite3 qt5-default mercurial  
ipython3 openmpi-bin openmpi-common openmpi-doc libopenmpi-dev  
autoconf cvs bzip2 unrar gdb valgrind uncrustify doxygen graphviz  
imagemagick python3-sphinx dia tcpdump libxml2 libxml2-dev cmake  
libc6-dev libc6-dev-i386 libclang-6.0-dev llvm-6.0-dev automake
```

Install Additional Python Packages

```
sudo su  
cd  
pip3 install kiwi  
exit  
cd
```

Download and Install NS-3 and NetAnim

```
# download from ns-3 server  
wget -c https://www.nsnam.org/releases/ns-allinone-3.33.tar.bz2  
# extract tar.bz2  
tar -xvzf ns-allinone-3.33.tar.bz2  
# go back to home folder  
cd  
  
# navigate to ns-3 directory (not the NS-3 all in one)  
cd ns-allinone-3.33/ns-3.33/  
# Configure the installation  
./waf configure --enable-examples  
# Build ns-3 installation  
./waf  
# to check whether installation was a success  
./waf --run hello-simulator  
  
# navigate to netanim dir.  
cd ns-allinone-3.33/netanim-3.108/  
# configure the build  
make clean  
# compile the build
```

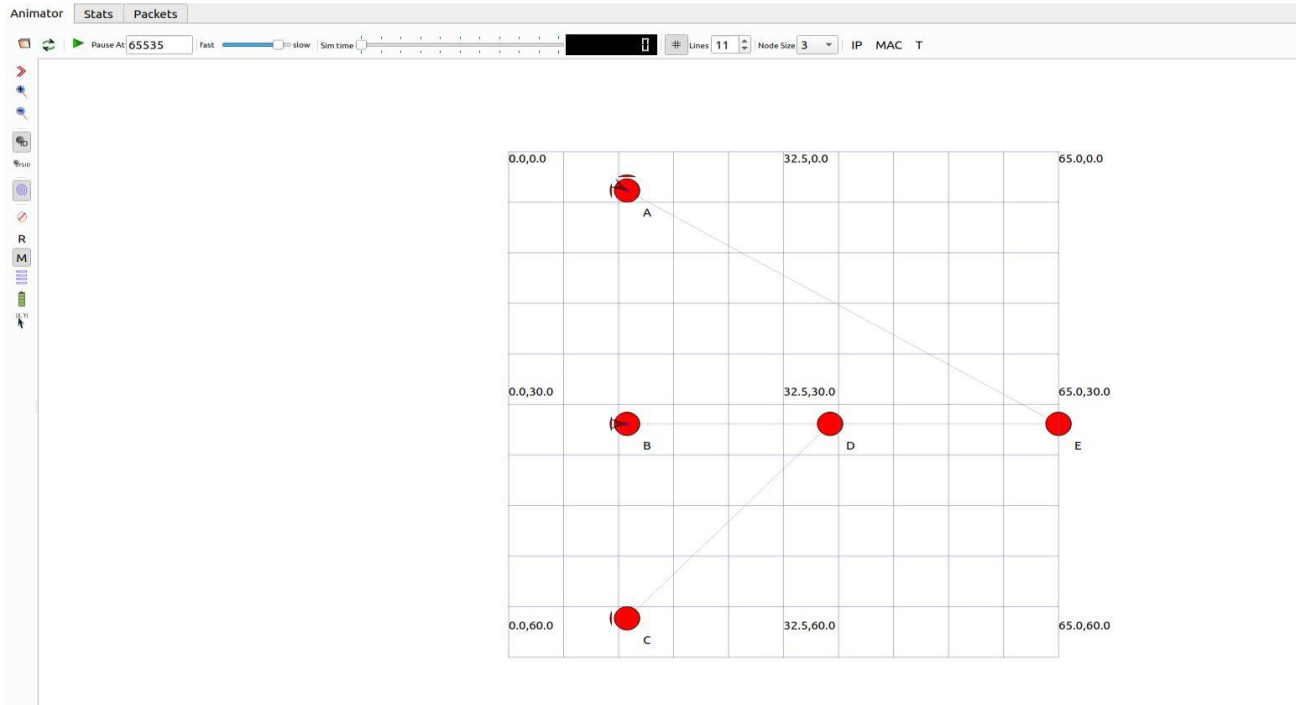
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qmake NetAnim.pro
# build netanim installation
make
# to execute NetAnim
./NetAnim
```

Code Overview

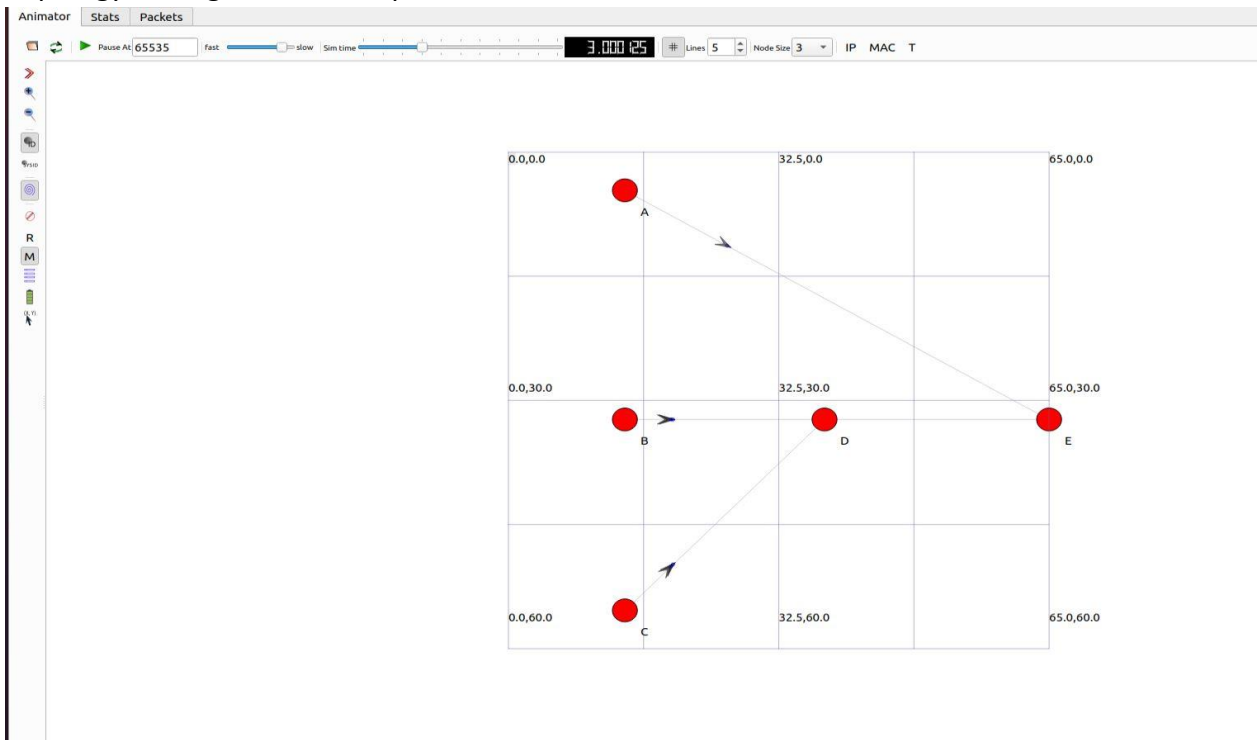
1. Firstly, we create Network Topology
2. Where, we write code to Simulate the Network
3. After that we build topology by generating the nodes and connecting them
4. We assign IPv4 address to each side of the connection
5. Populate the routing table using the helper function provided by ns-3 and apply them to all the nodes
6. We will configure the servers and clients within the topology after topology construction. In ns-3, as a server, we may use sink helper to set a sink on a node at a certain port. Additionally, we will employ flow helpers like bulk send helpers for each client, which create applications using source node IP and destination node IP information together with port numbers to establish connections.
7. We will calculate the throughput
8. We will calculate the average throughput
9. Gnuplot generated to see the visual effect of the throughput

RESULTS

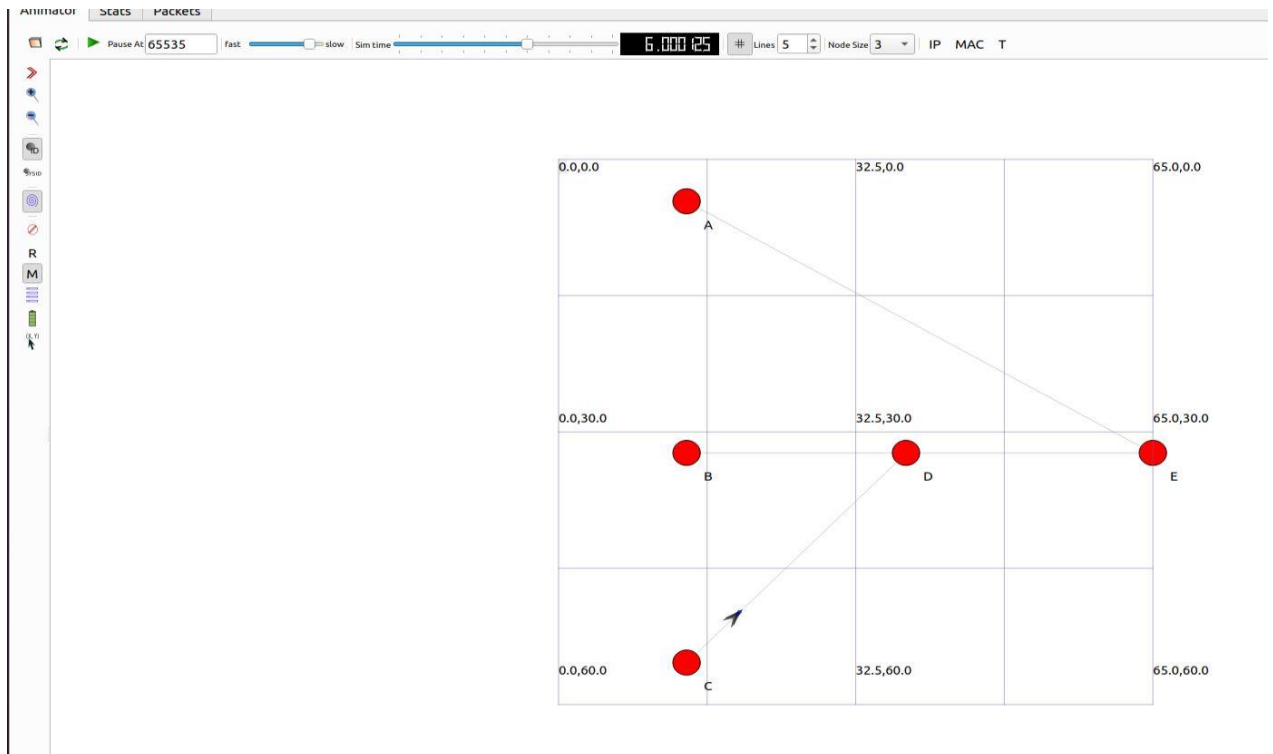
Topology node generated output at 0 second is as follows:



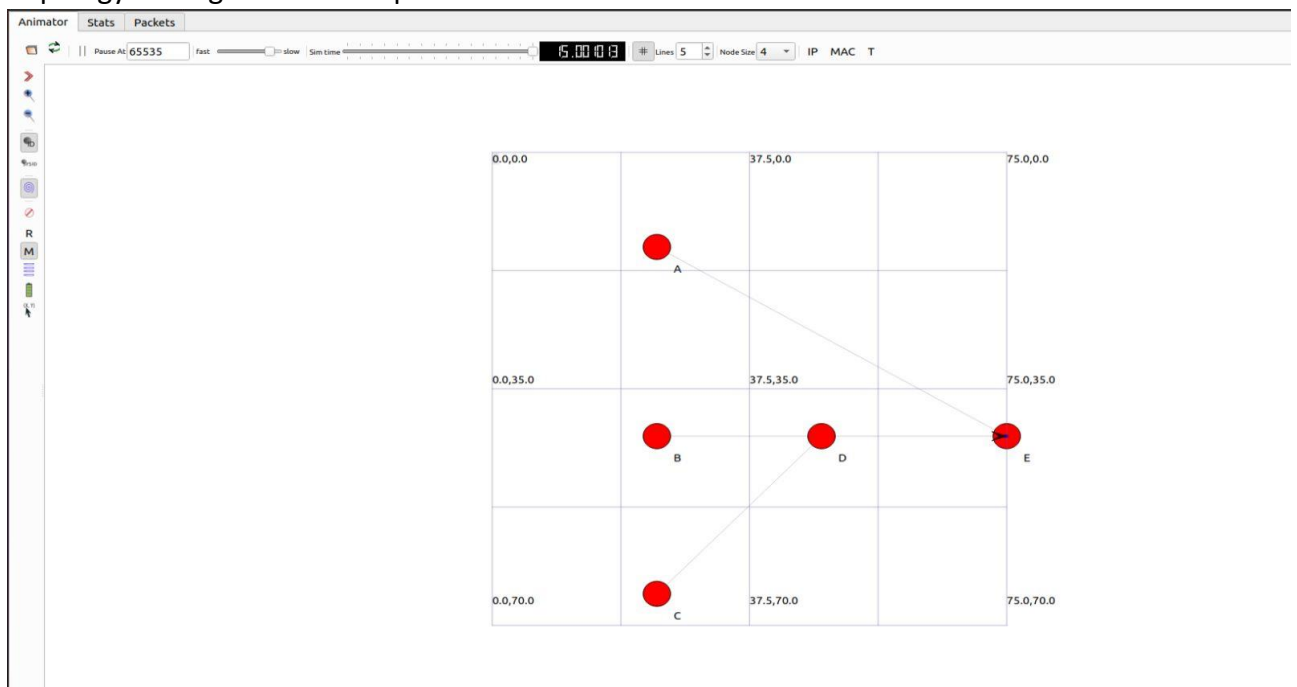
Topology node generated output after 1 second is as follows:



Topology node generated output after 2 second is as follows:



Topology node generated output after 3 second is as follows:



XML file generated: 1001888859_shreyas.xml

META file generated: 1001888859_Meta.dat

Final OUTPUT

```
Build commands will be stored in build/compile_commands.json
'build' finished successfully (1.512s)
Flow 1 (10.1.3.2 -> 10.1.3.2)
Tx Packets: 857730
Tx Bytes: 477793559
TxOffered: 99.5750 Mbps
Rx Packets: 877599
Rx Bytes: 479775895
Throughput: 99.7998 Mbps
Flow 2 (10.1.4.1 -> 10.1.4.2)
Tx Packets: 853384
Tx Bytes: 457533594
TxOffered: 99.3579 Mbps
Rx Packets: 853375
Rx Bytes: 458556969
Throughput: 99.3665 Mbps
Flow 3 (10.1.3.1 -> 10.1.3.2)
Tx Packets: 843252
Tx Bytes: 485256351
TxOffered: 8.1429 Mbps
Rx Packets: 843519
Rx Bytes: 485245991s
Throughput: 8.5692 Mbps
Flow 4 (10.1.3.1 -> 10.1.4.2)
Tx Packets: 842147
Tx Bytes: 475231229
TxOffered: 99.4421 Mbps
Rx Packets: 842215
Rx Bytes: 475669541
Throughput: 99.6568 Mbps
Flow 5 (10.1.3.2 -> 10.1.3.1)
Tx Packets: 854523
Tx Bytes: 498971236
TxOffered: 8.1229 Mbps
Rx Packets: 859633
Rx Bytes: 498552399
Throughput: 8.5499 Mbps
Flow 6 (10.1.4.2 -> 10.1.3.1)
Tx Packets: 859480
Tx Bytes: 476325666
TxOffered: 8.7911 Mbps
Rx Packets: 85933
Rx Bytes: 475655531
Throughput: 8.4537 Mbps
Flow 7 (10.1.1.1 -> 10.1.1.2)
Tx Packets: 859555
Tx Bytes: 456895589
TxOffered: 8.7299 Mbps
Rx Packets: 859283
Rx Bytes: 456557374
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Tx Bytes: 396562849
TxOffered: 99.1823 Mbps
Rx Packets: 851947
Rx Bytes: 391527496
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```
1 Waf: Entering directory `/home/shreyas/ns-allinone-3.33/ns-3.33/build'
2 Waf: Leaving directory `/home/shreyas/ns-allinone-3.33/ns-3.33/build'
3 Build commands will be stored in build/compile_commands.json
4 'build' finished successfully (0.708s)
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