Explanation:

This assignment in a medium-scale network requires to implement the simulation of a simple worm propagation by utilizing the discrete-time simulation method. Each infected computer "x" randomly picks other 3 IP addresses, within the entire IP address space in a time unit.

What does each simulation code do?

In the l_p_s.py file, which stands for Local Preference Scanning, at each time step an infected computer with IP value "x" chooses the target IP value "y".

In the rndm.py file, which stands for Random Scanning, in a time unit, an infected computer "x" randomly chooses another IPs with the entire IPs space.

Screenshots and Results:

Installing numpy:

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el962065@eustis3:~$ pip3 install numpy

Collecting numpy

Downloading numpy-1.24.2-cp38-cp38-manylinux_2_17_x86_64.manylinux2014_x86_64.whl (17.3 MB)

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Installing collected packages: numpy

WARNING: The scripts f2py, f2py3 and f2py3.8 are installed in '/home/net/el962065/.local/bin' which is not on PATH.

Consider adding this directory to PATH or, if you prefer to suppress this warning, use --no-warn-script-location.

Successfully installed numpy-1.24.2
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Installing matplotlib:

Local Preference Scan:

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el962065@eustis3:~$ python3 l_p_s.py

****** local_preference Scan Worm Propagation: Run1 ******
Time steps: 100 ---- Infected IPs: 126
Time steps: 200 ---- Infected IPs: 975
Time steps: 218 ---- Infected IPs: 1000.
All IPs infected!!!

******* local_preference Scan Worm Propagation: Run2 ******
Time steps: 100 ---- Infected IPs: 453
Time steps: 200 ---- Infected IPs: 990
Time steps: 235 ---- Infected IPs: 1000.
All IPs infected!!!

******* local_preference Scan Worm Propagation: Run3 ******
Time steps: 100 ---- Infected IPs: 584
Time steps: 100 ---- Infected IPs: 584
Time steps: 185 ---- Infected IPs: 1000.
All IPs infected!!!
el962065@eustis3:~$
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Random Scan:

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#***** random_scan Scan Worm Propagation: Runl ******

Time steps: 100 --- Infected IPs: 37

Time steps: 200 --- Infected IPs: 37

Time steps: 300 --- Infected IPs: 930

Time steps: 400 --- Infected IPs: 996

Time steps: 401 --- Infected IPs: 1000.

All IPs infected!!!

******* random_scan Scan Worm Propagation: Run2 ******

Time steps: 100 --- Infected IPs: 53

Time steps: 100 --- Infected IPs: 544

Time steps: 200 --- Infected IPs: 960

Time steps: 400 --- Infected IPs: 988

Time steps: 404 --- Infected IPs: 1000.

All IPs infected!!!

******* random_scan Scan Worm Propagation: Run3 ******

Time steps: 100 --- Infected IPs: 77

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Time steps: 100 --- Infected IPs: 786

Time steps: 200 --- Infected IPs: 786

Time steps: 200 --- Infected IPs: 986

Time steps: 300 --- Infected IPs: 986

Time steps: 500 --- Infected IPs: 998

Time steps: 500 --- Infected IPs: 1000.

All IPs infected!!!

el962065@eustis3:-$
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Usage:

This assignment is written in python language.

First, unzip Homework3. Then add the 2 python files to the Eustis machine (you need to connect to the UCF vpn if you are outside of campus). install numpy by the following command: "pip3 install numpy". Then, install matplotlib by the following command: "pip3 install matplotlib". Later, first run l_p_s.py file by typing "python3 l_p_s.py". At the end, run the rndm.py file by typing "python3 rndm.py"