

Part I: Fundamentals (con't)

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Outline

- ◆ Goals
- ◆ Essentials
- ◆ Primers
 - Wired world
 - Wireless world
 - Emulator
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ns Primer – Wireless World

- ◆ Ad hoc routing
- ◆ Mobile IP
- ◆ Satellite networking

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Ad Hoc Routing – An Example

- ◆ Scenario
 - 3 mobile nodes
 - moving within 670mX670m flat topology
 - using DSDV ad hoc routing protocol
 - Random Waypoint mobility model
 - TCP and CBR traffic
- ◆ *ns-2/tcl/ex/wireless-demo-csci694.tcl*

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An Example – Step 1

```
# Define Global Variables  
# create simulator  
set ns [new Simulator]  
  
# create a topology in a 670m x 670m area  
set topo [new Topography]  
$topo load_flatgrid 670 670
```

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An Example – Step 2

```
# Define standard ns/nam trace  
  
# ns trace  
set tracefd [open demo.tr w]  
$ns trace-all $tracefd  
  
# nam trace  
set namtrace [open demo.nam w]  
$ns namtrace-all-wireless $namtrace 670 670
```

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An Example – Step 3

```
# Create God  
set god [create-god 3]  
$ns at 900.00 "$god setdist 2 3 1"  
  
◆ God: store an array of the smallest number of  
hops required to reach one node to an other  
◆ Optimal case against which to compare  
routing protocol performance  
◆ Automatically generated by scenario file
```

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An Example – Step 4

```
# Define how a mobile node should be created  
$ns node-config \  
-adhocRouting DSDV \  
-llType LL \  
-macType Mac/802_11 \  
-ifqLen 50 \  
-ifqType Queue/DropTail/PriQueue \  
-antType Antenna/OmniAntenna \  
-propType Propagation/TwoRayGround \  
-phyType Phy/WirelessPhy \  
-channelType Channel/WirelessChannel \  
-topoInstance $topo  
-agentTrace ON \  
-routerTrace OFF \  
-macTrace OFF
```

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An Example – Step 5

```
# Create a mobile node, attach it to the channel  
  
set node(0) [$ns node]  
# disable random motion  
$node(0) random-motion 0  
  
◆ Use "for" loop to create 3 nodes:  
  
for {set i < 0} {$i < 3} {incr i} {  
    set node($i) [$ns node]  
}
```

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An Example – Step 6

```
# Define node movement model  
source movement-scenario-files  
  
# Define traffic model  
source traffic-scenario-files
```

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Scenario Generator: Movement

- ◆ Mobile Movement Generator
 - setdest -n <num_of_nodes> -p pausetime -s <maxspeed> -t <simtime> -x <maxx> -y <maxy>
- ◆ Random movement
 - \$node start
 - Source: ns-2/indep-utils/cmu-scen-gen/setdest/

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A Movement File

```
$node_(2) set Z_ 0.000000000000  
$node_(2) set Y_ 199.373306816804  
$node_(2) set X_ 591.256560093833  
$node_(1) set Z_ 0.000000000000  
$node_(1) set Y_ 345.357731779204  
$node_(1) set X_ 257.046298323157  
$node_(0) set Z_ 0.000000000000  
$node_(0) set Y_ 239.438009831261  
$node_(0) set X_ 83.36418416244  
$ns_at 50.000000000000 "$node_(2) setdest 369.463244915743  
170.51920311152 3.37178589154"  
$ns_at 51.000000000000 "$node_(1) setdest 221.826585497093  
80.855495003839 14.909259208114"  
$ns_at 33.000000000000 "$node_(0) setdest 89.663708107313  
283.494644426442 19.153832288917"
```

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Scenario Generator: Traffic

- ◆ Generating traffic pattern files

- CBR traffic

```
ns cbrgen.tcl [-type cbf/tcp] [-nn nodes] [-seed seed] [-mc connections] [-rate rate]
```

- TCP traffic

```
ns tcpgen.tcl [-nn nodes] [-seed seed]
```

- Source: ns-2/indep-utils/cmu-scen-gen/

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A Traffic Scenario

```
set udp_(0) [new Agent/UDP]
$ns_attach-agent $node_(0) $udp_(0)
set null_(0) [new Agent/Null]
$ns_attach-agent $node_(2) $null_(0)
set cbr_(0) [new Application/Traffic/CBR]
$cbr_(0) set packetSize_ 512
$cbr_(0) set interval_ 4.0
$cbr_(0) set random_ 1
$cbr_(0) set maxpkts_ 10000
$cbr_(0) attach-agent $udp_(0)
$ns_connect $udp_(0) $null_(0)
$ns_at 127.93667922166023 "$cbr_(0) start"
....
```

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An Example – Step 7

```
# Define node initial position in nam
for {set i 0} {$i < 3} { incr i} {
    $ns initial_node_position $node($i) 20
}

# Tell ns/nam the simulation stop time
$ns at 200.0 "$ns nam-end-wireless 200.0"
$ns at 200.0 "$ns halt"

# Start your simulation
$ns run
```

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Energy Extension

- ◆ Node is energy-aware

- ◆ Define node by adding new options:

```
$ns_node-config \
    -energyModel EnergyModel
    -initialEnergy 100.0
    -txPower      0.6
    -rxPower      0.2
```

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nam Visualization

- ◆ Use nam to visualize:
 - Mobile node position
 - Mobile node moving direction and speed
 - Energy consumption at nodes (color keyed)

nam Visualization

- ◆ Replace
 - \$ns namtrace-all \$fd
 - with
 - \$ns namtrace-all-wireless \$fd
 - At the end of simulation, do
 - \$ns nam-end-wireless [\$ns now]
- ◆ See an example: 

Summary

- ◆ Mac Layer: IEEE 802.11
- ◆ Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)
- ◆ Ad hoc routing protocols: DSDV, DSR, TORA, AODV
- ◆ Radio Propagation Model
 - Friis-space attenuation at near distances
 - Two ray ground at far distances
- ◆ Antenna: an omni-directional antenna having unity gain

Summary

- ◆ Energy consumption model for sensor networks
- ◆ Visualization of node movement, reachability, and energy
- ◆ Validation test suites

Credit

- ◆ CMU
- ◆ UC Berkeley
- ◆ Sun Microsystem Inc.
- ◆ USC/ISI

A Brief on Satellite Networking

- ◆ Developed by Tom Henderson (UCB)
- ◆ Supported models
 - Geostationary satellites: bent-pipe and processing-payload
 - Low-Earth-Orbit satellites
- ◆ Example: `tcl/ex/sat-*.tcl`
- ◆ Much in-development

A Brief on MobileIP Support

- ◆ Developed by Sun
 - Require a different Node structure than the MobileNode
 - Co-exists with wired world in ns
- ◆ Standard MobileIP
 - Home Agent, Foreign Agent, MobileHosts...
- ◆ Example
 - `~ns/tcl/ex/wired-cum-wireless.tcl`

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Emulation in ns

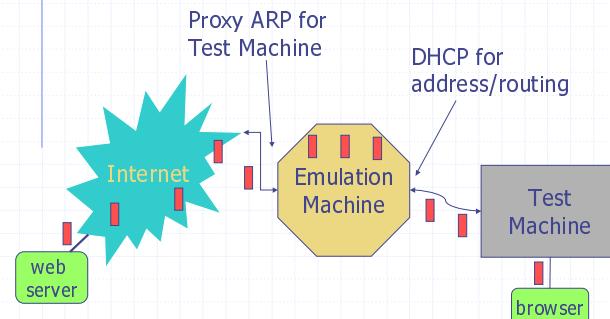
- ◆ Simulator ↔ real network
 - Inject received packets into simulation
 - Emit packets on to live network
- ◆ Usage
 - Subject real implementations to controlled conditions in the simulator
 - Subject simulations to real-world traffic
- ◆ Currently only works on FreeBSD

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Sample Environment

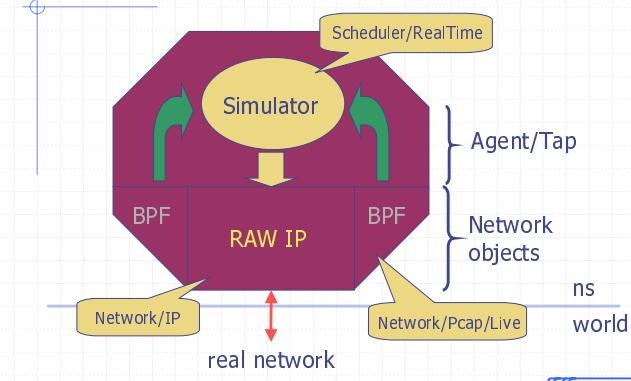


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Emulation Machine



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Realtime Scheduler

- ◆ Extended from Scheduler/List
- ◆ Synchronizes simulation time to real time
- ◆ Fails when simulation time falls behind
- ◆ \$ns use-scheduler RealTime

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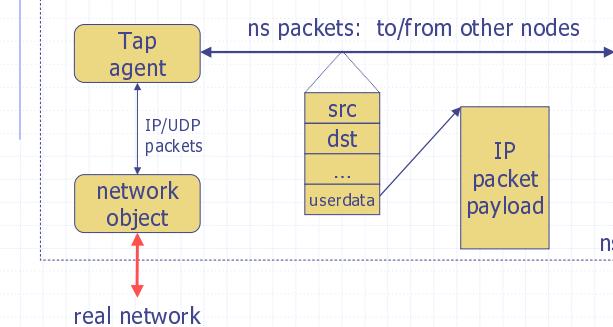
Network Objects

- ◆ Abstraction of real traffic source/sink
- ◆ Base class for various network types
 - Opened read-only, write-only, or read-write
- ◆ Raw IP and UDP/IP network object
 - Send/receive raw IP packets or UDP/IP
 - IP multicast support
- ◆ Pcap network object
 - Send/receive link-layer frames
 - Use BPF/libpcap filtering language

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Tap Agents



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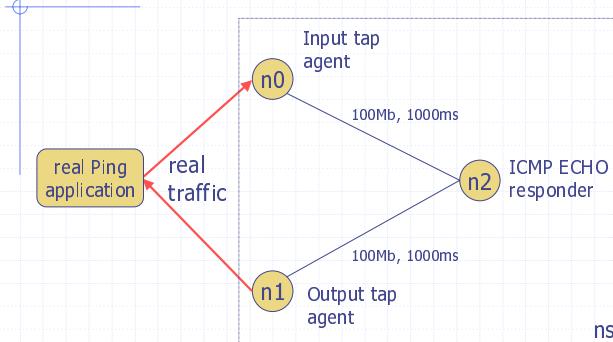
Emulation Modes

- ◆ Protocol mode
 - Simulator interpret/generate live traffic
 - Existing agents: ICMP ECHO, ICMP Redirect, ARP, TCP NAT
- ◆ Opaque mode
 - Simulator does not interpret network data
 - Operations: packet drop/reordering/delay...

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Protocol Mode: Ping Responder



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Ping: Step 1

◆ Stage setup

```
# Create simulator
set ns [new Simulator]
$ns use-scheduler RealTime

# Emulator address
set me [exec hostname]
# Or an arbitrary one (may require ARP support)
# set me "10.11.12.13"
```

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Ping: Step 2

◆ Create I/O network objects

```
# Packet input
set bpf0 [new Network/Pcap/Live]
$bpf0 set promisc_ true
set nd0 [$bpf0 open readonly fpx0]
set filt "(not ip host $me)"
$bpf0 filter $filt

# Packet output
set ipnet [new Network/IP]
$ipnet open writeonly
```

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Ping: Step 3

◆ Agents

```
# Input agent
set pfa [new Agent/Tap]
$pfa network $bpf0

# Output agent
set ipa [new Agent/Tap]
$ipa network $ipnet

# ICMP ECHO agent
set echoagent [new Agent/PingResponder]
```

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Ping: Step 4

◆ Create network topology

```
set n0 [$ns node]
set n1 [$ns node]
set n2 [$ns node]
$ns simplex-link $n0 $n2 100Mb 1000ms DropTail
$ns simplex-link $n2 $n1 100Mb 1000ms DropTail

$ns attach-agent $n0 $pfa
$ns attach-agent $n1 $ipa
$ns attach-agent $n2 $echoagent
$ns simplex-connect $pfa $echoagent
$ns simplex-connect $ipa $echoagent
```

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Ping: Step 5

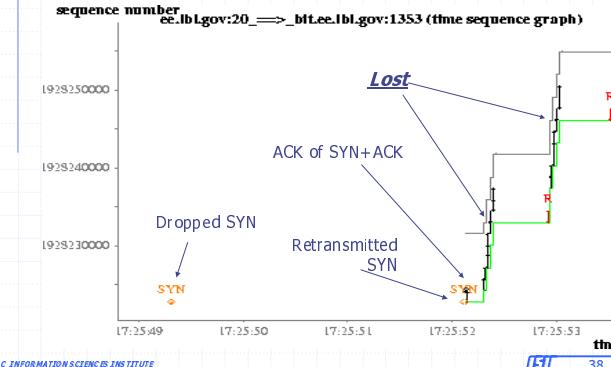
- ◆ Start

```
# Wait for ping to come in...
$ns run
```

- ◆ Result

- 2000.052ms ± 1.021ms

Opaque Mode (TCP: 10 packet periodic drop)



More Examples

- ◆ ~ns/emulate

- ◆ Example scripts

- Protocol mode: ~ns/emulate/empaper.tcl
- Opaque mode: ~ns/emulate/em3.tcl

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Utilities

- ◆ Tcl debugger
- ◆ Topology generation
- ◆ Scenario generation
- ◆ Web cache trace converter

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Debugging Your ns Script

- ◆ tcl-debug 1.9
 - <http://expect.nist.gov/tcl-debug/>
 - Works with Tcl 8.0.4 and below
- ◆ Installation
 - [make distclean] in ns
 - ./configure --with-tcldebug=<dir>
 - make

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Debugging Your ns Script

◆ Using tcl-debug

- Insert "debug 1" into your scripts, e.g.:

```
set tcp [new Agent/TCP]
debug 1
$tcp set window_ 200
```
- When "debug 1" is executed, ns drops to:

```
vint/ns-2(121): ./ns t.tcl
2: lappend auto_path $dbg_library
dbg2.0>
```

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```
dbg2.0> h
s [#]           step into procedure
n [#]           step over procedure
N [#]           step over procedures, commands, and arguments
c               continue
r               continue until return to caller
u [#]           move scope up level
d [#]           move scope down level
w               go to absolute frame if # is prefaced by "#"
w -w [#]        show stack ("where")
w -c [0|1]      show/set compress
b               show breakpoints
b [-r regexp-pattern] [if expr] [then command]
b (-g glob-pattern) [if expr] [then command]
b {[file:]#}     [if expr] [then command]
                if pattern given, break if command resembles pattern
                if # given, break on line #
                if expr given, break if expr true
                if command given, execute command at breakpoint
b -#            delete breakpoint
b -              delete all breakpoints
```

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Topology Generation

- ◆ <http://www.isi.edu/nsnam/ns/ns-topogen.html>

Packages	Graphs	Edge Method
NTG	n-level	probabilistic
RTG	Flat random	Waxman
GT-ITM	Flat random, n-level, Transit-stub	various
TIERS	3-level	spanning tree

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GT-ITM

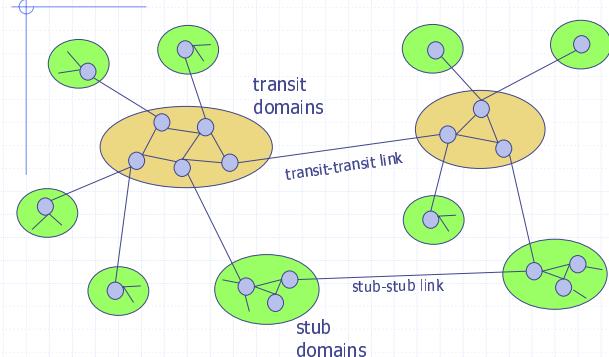
- ◆ Installation
 - Comes with ns-allinone
 - Require Knuth's cweb and SGB
- ◆ Usage
 - itm <config_file>
- ◆ Three graph models
 - Flat random: Waxman
 - n-level hierarchy
 - Transit-stub

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GT-ITM: Transit-Stub Model



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GT-ITM: Example

- ◆ Transit-stub network
- ◆ Config file (e.g., ts1)


```
# <method keyword> <number of graphs> [<initial seed>]
# <# stubs/trans node> <#rand. t-s edges> <#rand. s-s edges>
# {<n> <scale>} <edgemethod> <alpha> [<beta>] [<gamma>]
# (average!) number of nodes = 1x2x(1+3x4) = 26
ts 10 47    # 10 graphs, init seed 47
3 0 0        # 2 stubs per transit nodes
1 20 3 1.0   # n. of transit domains (pure random)
2 20 3 0.5   # n. of nodes per transit domain
4 10 3 0.5   # n. nodes in each stub domain
```

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GT-ITM: Example

- ◆ Run
 - itm ts1
 - Result: ts1-{0-9}.gb
- ◆ Result files in SGB format

Converters for GT-ITM

- ◆ sgb2ns
 - Convert SGB format to ns config file
 - sgb2ns <SGB_file> <OTcl_file>
 - ts2ns: output lists of transit and stub nodes
- ◆ sgb2hier
 - Convert transit-stub information into hierarchical addresses
 - sgb2hierns <SGBFile> <TclFile>

Converters for GT-ITM

◆ Format of generated ns config files

```
proc create-topology {ns ns node linkBW} {  
    upvar $node n  
    upvar $ns ns  
    # Create nodes, links,  
    .....  
}
```

◆ Usage

```
source <OTcl_file>  
create-topology ns nodes 1.5Mb
```

See Your Topology

◆ Create an ns wrapper

```
# Assume you've done "sgb2ns ts1-0.gb ts1.tcl"  
source ts1.tcl  
set ns [new Simulator]  
$ns namtrace-config [open ts1.nam w]  
create-topology ns node 1.5Mb  
$ns at 1.0 "exit 0"  
$ns run
```

Summary of API Changes

New API

- ◆ \$ns_node-config
- ◆ \$ns node
- ◆ no global variable dependency
- ◆ namtrace-all-wireless
- ◆ Energy model support
- ◆ No global definition of channel and propagation models

OLD API

- ◆ {dsr/dsdv/tora}-create-mobile-node
- ◆ strong global variable dependency
- ◆ no nam support
- ◆ no energy model
- ◆ need global channel and propagation models