Simulator Experiment

Physical Layer



List of Experiment

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- Observation of End-to-end Delay
- Error Rate of Wired Signal
- Transmission Range of Wireless Signal

Simulator Experiment Calculation of Signal Delivery Time

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 trans_time_and_prop_delay.xtpl
trans_time_and_prop_delay_comparison.xtpl



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The Architecture of Simulation Environment

- On the signal transmitter Host 1, the PktGenClient Module is used to send out a frame. On the signal receiver Host 2, the PktGenServer Module is used to receive the frame.
- The behavior of transmission time and propagation delay are simulated by the PHY Module at both sites.
- Note that a FIFO Module has to be inserted below the PktGenClient Module and the PktGenServer Module.



At Stage E, open the node-editor utility first and then open the module-editor utility to edit protocol stack.

 At Stage E, double click on any node to open node editor. On the node-editor window, click the Module Editor button to open module editor.

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On the left side of module-editor window, all available modules are classified by different groups. For example, PktGenServer and PktGenClient modules can be found in the PKTGEN group. Insert required modules into the protocol stack on the right side.



Configuration of PktGenClient Module

- Key in the MAC address of receiver Host 2.
- Key in the length of payload 974 bytes.
- Key in the length of header 14 bytes.
- Payload Length + Header Length = 988 bytes
- Within the MAC8023 module, additional 7byte Preamble, 1-byte Start Frame Delimiter, and 4-byte CRC Checksum fields will be added into the outgoing frame. Thus, the final length of outgoing frame is 1000 bytes.
- Limit the total number of outgoing frame to be 1.
- Set the sending time of the outgoing frame to be 10,000,000 us.

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	Maximum Random Generation Interval 10000 (us
0	Exponential Interval
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Configuration of PktGenServer Module

Once the receiver Host 2 receives a frame, it drops the frame.

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Parameters Setting	
Action on the reception of a packet	
Sink the received packet	
\bigcirc Send back a reply packet with the same size as the received one's	
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Configuration of the Link between Host 1 and Host 2

LINK						
From Node1 to Node2		From Node2 to Node1				
Data Rate: 10_Mbps	▼ C.T.O.D C.T.A.L	Data Rate: 10_Mbps	▼ C.T.O.D C.T.A.L			
Bit Error Rate: 0.0	C.T.O.D C.T.A.L	Bit Error Rate: 0.0	C.T.O.D C.T.A.L			
Propagation Delay: 4000	(us) C.T.O.D C.T.A.L	Propagation Delay: 4000	(us) C.T.O.D C.T.A.L			

• Data Rate = 10 Mbps

Transmission time of a 1000-byte frame = (8*1000)/(10 * 10^6) = 0.0008 sec

Propagation Delay = 4000 us = 0.004 sec

Distance = 0.004 * (2 * 10^8) = 800000 meters = 800 kilometers

Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.



When simulation is done, check simulation results at Stage P.



At Stage P, open the frame trace file to check the logs of frame transmission and reception.

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A frame's transmission time and propagation delay can be observed in the frame trace file. The signal/frame delivery time is the sum of both.



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Quiz

- Use simulator to change a frame's transmission time or propagation delay. See what is the difference between the following two conditions.
 - Transmission Time > Propagation Delay
 - Transmission Time < Propagation Delay





Simulator Experiment Observation of End-to-end Delay

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end_to_end_delay_trans_time_dominates.xtpl



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Build a network at Stage D. Set each link's propagation delay at Stage E. When running simulation at Stage G, execute the ping command to observe end-to-end delays.



At Stage E, set the Progressing Mode to "Try to Synchronize with the Real-world Clock".

Doing this ٠ setting is for slowing down the progress speed of virtual time during simulation so that a user is able to interact with the simulated network.

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1.0.1.3	Set Specific-interface Parameters		Set the F	Progressing Mode ×				
1	Reassign Subnets' IP Addresses			5 5				
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Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.



During simulation, right click on any Host Node to open a command console.



On the command console window, use ping command to observe the Round Trip Time (RTT) between any pair of Host Nodes.



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Quiz

- In terms of end-to-end delay, if the processing delay on network devices are ignored, observe and discuss the following two conditions.
 - Transmission Time >> Propagation Delay
 - Transmission Time << Propagation Delay



Simulator Experiment Error Rate of Wired Signal

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At Stage D, build three independent networks for comparison.





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At Stage E, arrange PktGen Module to send out frames during simulation.

- On the signal transmitters Host 1/3/5, the PktGenClient Module is used to send out frames.
- On the signal receivers Host 2/4/6, the PktGenServer Module is used to receive the frames.
- Note that a FIFO Module has to be inserted below the PktGenClient Module and User the PktGenServer Module.



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Hardware.

At Stage E, open the node-editor utility first and then open the module-editor utility to edit protocol stack.

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On the left side of module-editor window, all available modules are classified by different groups. For example, PktGenServer and PktGenClient modules can be found in the PKTGEN group. Insert required modules into the protocol stack on the right side.





Configuration of PktGenClient Module

- Key in the MAC address of receivers Host 2/4/6.
- Key in the length of payload 974 bytes.
- Key in the length of header 14 bytes.
- Payload Length + Header Length = 988 bytes
- Within the MAC8023 module, additional 7-byte Preamble, 1-byte Start Frame Delimiter, and 4byte CRC Checksum fields will be added into the outgoing frame. Thus, the final length of outgoing frame is 1000 bytes.
- When a simulation is started, one frame is sent out every 1000 us. In other words, 1000 frames are sent out every 1 sec.

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		Total Number of Output Packet 10
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	•	Fixed Interval
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	0	Random Interval
		Maximum Random Generation Interval 10000 (us)
1	0	Exponential Interval
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1	0	Ping Pong
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		Maximum Random Generation Interval 10000 (us)
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Configuration of PktGenServer Module

 Once the receivers Host 2/4/6 receive a frame, they drops the frame.

PktGenServer	×
Parameters Setting	
Action on the reception of a packet	
Sink the received packet	
\bigcirc Send back a reply packet with the same size as the received one's	
OK	

At Stage E, set different Bit Error Rate for the three links.

- Set Bit Error Rate to 0.0000125 for the link between Host 1 and Host 2
- Set Bit Error Rate to 0.000025 for the link between Host 3 and Host 4
- Set Bit Error Rate to 0.0000625 for the link between Host 5 and Host 6
- Set Propagation Delay to 4000 us for all three links

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From Node1 to Node2		From Node2 to Node1	
Data Rate: 10_Mbps	▼ C.T.O.D C.T.O.L	Data Rate: 10_Mbps	▼ C.T.O.D C.T.O.L
Bit Error Rate: 0.0000125	C.T.O.D C.T.O.L	Bit Error Rate: 0.0000125	C.T.O.D C.T.O.L
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Before simulation, evaluate the frame error rate according to the bit error rate.

- If the length of a frame is 1000 bytes (8000 bits), and the bit error rate is 1/80000 (0.0000125), that means, there is one bit error every 80000 bits. In other words, there is one frame with a bit error every 10 frames. Thus, the frame error rate is 1/10 (0.1).
 - Bit Error Rate = 0.0000125 (1/80000) → Frame Error Rate = 0.1 (10%)
 - Bit Error Rate = 0.000025 (1/40000) \rightarrow Frame Error Rate = 0.2 (20%)
 - Bit Error Rate = 0.0000625 (1/16000) → Frame Error Rate = 0.5 (50%)
- Consider that each sender sends out 1000 frames every second:
 - Frame Error Rate = 10% → On the receiver, about 100 frames with error and 900 frames received successfully
 - Frame Error Rate = 20% → On the receiver, about 200 frames with error and 800 frames received successfully
 - Frame Error Rate = 50% → On the receiver, about 500 frames with error and 500 frames received successfully

Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.

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After simulation, at Stage P, observe the frame error rate on three different links.



Simulator Experiment Transmission Range of Wireless Signal

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antenna_gain_pattern_adjustment.xtpl



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Factors to determine the transmission range of wireless signals:

- Antenna gain patterns of both sender site and receiver site
- Signal transmission power on sender site
- Signal receiving sensitivity on receiver site
- Signal frequency and environmental parameters (e.g., terrain, surface object, weather, interference, etc.)

See the graph on the right-hand side. Node 1 located on the center is the signal receiver. Node 2, 3, and 4 located around Node 1 are signal senders. The situation is - the signal transmission ranges of Node 2, 3, and 4 are not far enough so that Node 1 receives no signal.

Goal:

According to the above-mentioned factors related to signal transmission range, change the corresponding simulation parameters to let Node 1 receive signals.



HOW TO SEE THE TRANSMISSION RANGE OF WIRELESS SIGNAL?



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[Step 1] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



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[Step 2] On the configuration window, choose to observe the transmission range of wireless signal in the perspective of a signal transmitter.

- Choose to use a signal transmitter's perspective.
- Click the button to apply the configured parameters to show the transmission range of wireless signal.

Specify Physical-layer	and Channel Model Parameters ×
Use the Transmitting Node's Perspective For Transmitting Node's Perspective	O Use the Receiving Node's Perspective
Propagation Channel Model Theoretical Channel Model Path Loss Model: 1: Two_Ray_Ground Fading Model: 0: None Empirical Channel Model 11: Suburban_1_9GHz_TB NHY Module's Parameters Frequency (MHz): 5180 C.T.O.I. TransPower Ubm): -19 C.T.O.I.	C.T.O.I. C.T.O.I. C.T.O.I. ChannelModel Module's Parameters FadingVar: 10.0 RiceanK: 10.0 AntennaHeight (m): 1.5 SystemLoss: 1.0 AverageBuildingHeight (m): 10.0 StraetWidth (m): 20.0
Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity	Apply All Parameters to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Display the Transmission Range
Set Wireless Signal Drawing Color	Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Exit
	Cancel the Display of the Transmission Range

[Step 3] Observe Node 1's signal transmission range.


[Step 4] Again, activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.





[Step 5] This time, on the configuration window, choose to observe the transmission range of wireless signal in the perspective of a signal receiver.



[Step 6] Observe the transmission ranges of all the signals that (potentially) are able to be received by Node 1.



INCREASE THE TRANSMISSION POWER OF SIGNAL ON THE SIGNAL TRANSMITTER TO INCREASE THE SIGNAL TRANSMISSION RANGE



[Step 1] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



[Step 2] Adjust the transmission power of signal.

- On the configuration window of Node 1, change the value of TransPower (dbm) from -19 to -10 to increase the transmission power of signal.
 - The unit "dbm" is calculated from a logarithm formula.
 - Assume Power_mW (milliwatt) is the signal power. Power_dbm = 10 * log₁₀ (^{Power_mW}/_{1 milliwatt})
 - In other words, "dbm" is the logarithm operation on the ratio of the signal power to 1 milliwatt.
 - Thus, -19 dbm represents the original signal power is 0.01259 milliwatt while -10 dbm represents the original signal power is 0.1 milliwatt. The latter is nearly 7.94 times the former.
- Press the button C.T.O.I (Copy to Other Interfaces) to copy the modified value to the other three nodes (Node 2, 3, and 4).
 - Increase the transmission power of signal on both signal senders and receivers to achieve bi-directional communication.

Specify Physical-layer and Channel Model Parameters		
Use the Transmitting Node's Perspective For Transmitting Node's Perspective	◯ Use the Receiving Node's Perspective	
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Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity	Apply All Parameters to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Display the Transmission Range Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelModel	
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[Step 3] Observe if the signals sent by Node 1 are able to be received by the other three nodes.

- Choose to use a signal sender's perspective to observe if the transmitted signal can be received by any potential receiver.
- Click the button to apply the configured parameters to show the transmission range of wireless signal.

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Set Wireless Signal Drawing Color	Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelMode and PHY Modules & Exit Cancel the Display of the Transmission Range	el	

[Step 4] Observe if the signals sent by other three nodes are able to be received by Node 1.

- Again, apply the utility "Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal" on Node 1.
- Choose to use a signal receiver's perspective to observe which sender's signals can be received by the receiver.
- Click the button to apply the configured parameters to show the transmission range of wireless signal.



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[Step 5] At Stage E, arrange the PktGen Modules to send/receive frames during simulation.

- On the signal receiver Node 1, the PktGenServer Module is used to receive frames.
- On the signal transmitters Host 2, 3 and 4, the PktGenClient Module is used to send frames.
- Note that a FIFO Module has to be inserted below the PktGenClient Module and the PktGenServer Module.



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At Stage E, open the node-editor utility first and then open the module-editor utility to edit protocol stack.

 At Stage E, double click on any node to open node editor. On the node-editor window, click the Module Editor button to open module editor.

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On the left side of module-editor window, all available modules are classified by different groups. For example, PktGenServer and PktGenClient modules can be found in the PKTGEN group. Insert required modules into the protocol stack on the right side.



Configuration of PktGenClient Module

- Key in the MAC address of receiver Node 1.
- Key in the length of payload 1000 bytes.
- Key in the length of header 14 bytes. •
- When a simulation is started, one frame is sent out every 1000 us. In other words, 1000 frames are sent out every 1 sec.

PktGenClient	*
Parameters Setting	
Destination Node MAC Address 0:1:0:0:0:1	ок
Payload Length 1000 (bytes)	Cancel
Header Length 14 (bytes)	
Limited Number of Output Packet	
Total Number of Output Packet 3	
Packet Generation Mode	
Fixed Interval	
Fixed Generation Interval 1000 (us)	
O Random Interval	
Maximum Random Generation Interval 1000000	(us)
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Configuration of PktGenServer Module

Once the receiver Node 1 receives a frame, it drops the frame.

PktGenServer	×
Parameters Setting	
Action on the reception of a packet	
Sink the received packet	
Send back a reply packet with the same size as the received one's	
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[Step 6] Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.



[Step 7] After simulation, at Stage P, observe the simulation results.

- At Stage P, the frame animation is displayed according to the simulation results. Check the graph on the righthand side. The signals sent from Node 2, 3, and 4 are able to reach Node 1. However, those signals collide with each other because they reach Node 1 nearly simultaneously. In this case, Node 1 receives no signal eventually.
- The problems of signal collision are tackled by data link layer (layer 2). Thus, when watching the frame animation, sometimes a successful frame reception can be seen in both directions.



INCREASE THE RECEIVING SENSITIVITY OF SIGNAL ON THE SIGNAL RECEIVER TO INCREASE THE SIGNAL TRANSMISSION RANGE



[Step 1] Set those modified simulation parameters back to the default values

In the previous experiment, the values of TransPower (dbm) of all nodes (Node 1, 2, 3, and 4) are changed from -19 to -10. Change those values back to -19 first before starting this experiment.

[Step 2] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



[Step 3] Adjust the receiving sensitivity of signal

- Choose to use a signal receiver's perspective. The following parameter configuration tab will be switched to the specific tab for receiver purpose.
- Change the value of Receiving Sensitivity (dbm) from -82 to -91. This parameter represents the minimum signal power that is able to be sensed/received by a receiver. When a signal is propagated through the air, its power attenuates gradually along with the path. When the signal reaches a receiver, its power must be larger than the receiving sensitivity of the receiver so that it can be received successfully.
 - The unit "dbm" is calculated from a logarithm formula.
 - Assume RxPower_mW (milliwatt) is the minimum receiving signal power. RxPower_dbm = $10 \times \log_{10} \left(\frac{RxPower_mW}{1 \text{ milliwatt}} \right)$
 - In other words, "dbm" is the logarithm operation on the ratio of the minimum receiving signal power to 1 milliwatt.
 - Thus, -82 dbm represents the minimum power is 63.1*10^(-10) milliwatt while -91 dbm represents the minimum power is 7.94*10^(-10) milliwatt. The latter is nearly 7.94 times lower than the former. That means, a signal can be transmitted farther and still be received.





[Step 4] Observe if the signals sent by other three nodes are able to be received by Node 1.

 Click the button to apply the configured parameters to show the transmission range of wireless signal.





[Step 5] Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.



[Step 6] After simulation, at Stage P, observe the simulation results.

- At Stage P, the frame animation is displayed according to the simulation results. Check the graph on the righthand side. The signals sent from Node 2, 3, and 4 are able to reach Node 1. However, those signals collide with each other because they reach Node 1 nearly simultaneously. In this case, Node 1 receives no signal eventually.
- The problems of signal collision are tackled by data link layer (layer 2). Thus, when watching the frame animation, sometimes a successful frame reception can be seen in only one direction (Node 2/3/4 to Node 1).



ADJUST THE ANTENNA GAIN PATTERN ON THE SIGNAL TRANSMITTER TO INCREASE THE SIGNAL TRANSMISSION RANGE



[Step 1] Set the modified simulation parameter back to the default value

 In the previous experiment, the value of Receiving Sensitivity (dbm) of Node 1 is changed from -82 to -91. Change the value back to -82 first before starting this experiment.

[Step 2] The principle of adjusting antenna gain pattern to increase the transmission range of signal

- The default antenna gain pattern is isotropic (360°). If an isotropic antenna is used, the available power is used to emit signals in all directions.
- If a directional antenna is used, the available power is used to emit signals in a specific direction.
- If the available power is the same, a directional antenna emits signals farther than an isotropic antenna in a specific direction.
- Thus, we are going to change the antenna gain pattern of Node 2, 3, and 4's antennas from isotropic to directional. In this way, their signal transmission range will be increased to cover Node 1.



[Step 3] Measure the relative angles between Node 2/3/4 and Node 1

- Use the protractor utility to measure the relative angles between Node 2/3/4 and Node 1.
 - Node 2 to Node 1 \rightarrow 320°
 - Node 3 to Node 1 \rightarrow 209 °
 - Node 4 to Node 1 \rightarrow 56 °



[Step 4] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



[Step 5] Adjust Node 2's antenna gain pattern and antenna's pointing direction

	Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity ×
Specify Physical-layer and Channel Model Parameters ×	Antenna Gain Pattern
Use the Transmitting Node's Perspective Use the Receiving Node's Perspective	Use Predefined Antenna Gain Pattern C.T.O.I.
For Transmitting Node's Perspective 1. Use a signal	3 dB Beamwidth: 60 - degrees 3. Set antenna gain pattern
Propagation Channel Model transmitter's perspective	360-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 120-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 60-degree Antenna Gain Pattern
Theoretical Channel Model C.T.O.I.	Use User-defined Antenna Gain Pattern
Path Loss Model: 1: Two_Ray_Ground	Antenna Gain Pattern File: File Browser
Fading Model: 0: None	4. Set antenna pointing direction
C Empirical Channel Model	
11: Suburban_1_9GHz_TB	Pointing Direction (Right: 0, Up: 90, Left: 180, Down: 270): 320 degree(s) C.T.O.I. OK
PHY Module's Parameters ChannelModel Module's Parameters	Rotating Angular Speed (Counterclockwise): 0 degree(s)/sec C.T.O.I. Cancel
Frequency (MHz): 5180 C.T.O.I. FadingVar: 10.0	
TransPower (dbm): -10 C.T.O.I. RiceanK: 10.0	
AntennaHeight (m): 1.5	Sender
2 Set antenna gain	5 Press the
AverageBuildingHeight (m): 10.0	
pattern and directivity StreetWidth (m): 30.0	apply button to
Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity Apply All Parameters to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Display the Transmission Range	see the result
Set Wireless Signal Drawing Color Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Exit	
Cancel the Display of the Transmission Range	Keceiver
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[Step 6] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



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[Step 7] Adjust Node 3's antenna gain pattern and antenna's pointing direction

	Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity ×			
Specify Physical-layer and Channel Model Parameters ×	Antenna Gain Pattern			
Use the Transmitting Node's Perspective Use the Receiving Node's Perspective	Use Predefined Antenna Gain Pattern C.T.O.I.			
For Transmitting Node's Perspective 1. Use a signal	3 dB Beamwidth: 60 - degrees 3. Set antenna gain pattern			
Propagation Channel Model transmitter's perspective	360-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 120-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 60-degree Antenna Gain Pattern			
Theoretical Channel Model C.T.O.I.	Use User-defined Antenna Gain Pattern			
Path Loss Model: 1: Two_Ray_Ground	Antenna Gain Pattern File: File Browser			
Fading Model: 0: None	Antenna Directivity 4. Set antenna pointing direction			
Empirical Channel Model				
11: Suburban_1_9GHz_TB	Pointing Direction (Right: 0, Up: 90, Left: 180, Down: 270): 209 degree(s) C.T.O.I.			
PHY Module's Parameters ChannelModel Module's Parameters	Rotating Angular Speed (Counterclockwise): 0 degree(s)/sec C.T.O.I. Cancel			
Frequency (MHz): 5180 C.T.O.I. FadingVar: 10.0				
TransPower (dbm): -10 C.T.O.I. RiceanK: 10.0				
AntennaHeight (m): 1.5				
2 Set antenna gain	5 Press the Node 2 can Sender			
AverageBuildingHeight (m): 10.0				
pattern and directivity StreetWidth (m): 30.0	apply button to			
Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity Apply All Parameters to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Display the Transmission Range	see the result			
Set Wireless Signal Drawing Color Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Exit				
Cancel the Display of the Transmission Range	Receiver			

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[Step 8] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



[Step 9] Adjust Node 4's antenna gain pattern and antenna's pointing direction

	Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity ×
Specify Physical-layer and Channel Model Parameters ×	Antenna Gain Pattern
Use the Transmitting Node's Perspective Use the Receiving Node's Perspective	Use Predefined Antenna Gain Pattern C.T.O.I.
For Transmitting Node's Perspective 1. Use a signal	3 dB Beamwidth: 60 - degrees 3. Set antenna gain pattern
Propagation Channel Model transmitter's perspective	360-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 120-degree Antenna Gain Pattern 60-degree Antenna Gain Pattern
Theoretical Channel Model C.T.O.I.	O Use User-defined Antenna Gain Pattern
Path Loss Model: 1: Two_Ray_Ground	Antenna Gain Pattern File: File Browser
Fading Model: 0: None	4. Set antenna pointing direction
C Empirical Channel Model	
11: Suburban_1_9GHz_TB	Pointing Direction (Right: 0, Up: 90, Left: 180, Down: 270): 56 degree(s) C.T.O.I.
PHY Module's Parameters ChannelModel Module's Parameters	Rotating Angular Speed (Counterclockwise): 0 degree(s)/sec C.T.O.I. Cancel
Frequency (MHz): 5180 C.T.O.I. FadingVar: 10.0	
TransPower (dbm): -10 C.T.O.I. RiceanK: 10.0	
AntennaHeight (m): 1.5	Node 2 cannot
2 Set antenna gain	5. Press the receive
AvrageBuildingHeight (m): 10.0	walk hutter to 30 Node 3 can
pattern and directivity StreetWidth (m): 30.0	apply button to
Set Antenna Gain Pattern and Directivity Apply All Parameters to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Display the Transmission Range	see the result
Set Wireless Signal Drawing Color Do Not Apply Any Parameter to the ChannelModel and PHY Modules & Exit	Receiver
Cancel the Display of the Transmission Range	
	Sender

[Step 10] Activate the utility – Show the Effective Transmission Range of Wireless Signal.



[Step 11] On Node 1, as a signal receiver, observe the signal transmission ranges of other three nodes after the adjustment



[Step 12] Change the operating stage to Stage G to generate all simulation configuration files. Then start simulation.



[Step 13] After simulation, at Stage P, observe the simulation results.

- At Stage P, the frame animation is displayed according to the simulation results. Check the graph on the righthand side. The signals sent from Node 2, 3, and 4 are able to reach Node 1. If more than one signal reach Node 1 nearly simultaneously, these signals collide with each other.
- The problems of signal collision are tackled by data link layer (layer 2). Thus, when watching the frame animation, sometimes a successful frame reception can be seen in both directions.



ADJUST SIGNAL FREQUENCY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PARAMETERS TO OBSERVE SIGNAL TRANSMISSION RANGE


Configure signal frequency and environmental parameters (e.g., terrain, surface object, weather, interference, etc.)

- While developing a communication standard (including physical layer and data link layer), experts determine the used signal frequency and required bandwidth according to the target data rates and environmental parameters where a communication channel is applied to.
- On EstiNet X simulator, the used signal frequencies are based on the IEEE 802.11a/g/p/n standards. If the frequency is changed arbitrarily to one that does not conform the standard, the simulation results could become inaccurate. Thus, no experiment for arbitrarily changing the signal frequency now.
- EstiNet X supports the configuration of several environmental parameters. Different part of these parameters are used by different channel models. Operating on channel models requires advanced professional knowledge. Now we do not step into such advanced field. The default channel model used on EstiNet X is a theoretical model, called two ray ground. There are two other theoretical models for choice - free space and free space shadowing. Now no experiment is designed for channel models.