Detailed Description of Classes in OSPF Simulator

Simulator

This is the main class of the simulator which controls and runs the whole simulator application. In the main function, a single instance of it is created as soon as user runs simulator. Most of the attributes of this class are loaded from the topology described by the user.

private:
    int num_Routers;
    int num_Links;
    int num_Networks;
    Router *routers;
    Link *links;
    Network *networks;
public:
    char topologyFile[256];

num_Routers
Total number of routers in the topology. In an active topology this number can’t be less than 1.

num_Links
Total number of links in the topology. In an active topology this number can’t be less than 1.

num_Networks
Total number of networks in the topology.

routers
List of routers in the topology. The length of this list should be num_Routers.

links
List of links in the topology. The length of this list should be num_Links.

networks
List of networks in the topology. The length of this list should be num_Networks.

topologyFile[256]
String which contains the name of topology file. Emptiness of this string is considered as that there is no active topology.

private:
    int set_Routers (int index, int number, char* id);
    int set_Links (int index, int id, char typ, int id1, int id2, unsigned short cost);
    int set_Networks (int index, int num, char* id, char* mask);
    int getRouterIndex(int routerNumber);
    int getNetworkIndex(int networkNumber);
    int getLinkIndex(int linkNumber);
    int existRouter(int num);
    int existRouter(char* ospfid);
    int existLink(int id);
int existNetwork(int num);
int existNetwork(char* ospfid);

public:
  void dispRouter(char* index);
  void dispTopology();
  void dispLSDB(char* routerIndex);
  void dispRTBL(char* routerIndex);
  int read_Topology();
  int unload_Topology();
  int verify();
  int initialize();
  int simulate();
  int out();

private:
  int addRouterLinks();
  int addLinkEndIPs();
  int countRouterLinks();

set_Routers, set_Links, set_Networks

Modify an entry in routers, links, or networks list. The parameter index specifies the position in the list to modify.

getRouterIndex, getLinkIndex, getAreaIndex

Return the position of a router, link or network in routers, links or networks list if its number is provided.

existRouter, existLink, existNetwork

String input versions of these functions check whether there exists a router or network with specified OSPF id, while int input versions check whether there exists a router, link, or network with specified number. existLink has no string version.

dispRouter

This function displays the detailed information including Link State Database and Routing table of the router specified. Input is the OSPF id of the router.

dispTopology

This function displays a summary about the topology file.

dispLSDB

This function displays the Link State Database of the router whose OSPF id is passed to this function.

dispRTBL

This function displays the Routing table of the router whose OSPF id is given as input.

read_Topology

Read in the topology

unload_Topology

Removes the current active topology from simulator. All fields containing the information of previous topology are flushed.

verify
Verifies topology for correctness.

**initialize**
Performs initialization phase of OSPF.

**simulate**
Performs flooding, shortest path calculation and routing table calculation phase of OSPF

**addRouterLinks()**
Pass references each router’s links to its `Router` instance for performing OSPF operations.

**addLinkIPs**
Identifies the OSPF id of the network or router attached to each link and place this information into that `Link` instance.

**countRouterLinks()**
Identifies and counts the links attached to each router.

### Link

This class describes the instance of an OSPF link. All the links kept in Simulator and Router class are instances of this class. Every point to point link between two routers is specified as two independent entries in the topology file and hence two independent instances are created each belonging to one of the end routers.

```cpp
private:
    int id;
    int end1;
    char type;
    int end2;
    unsigned short cost;
    IP end1IP;
    IP end2IP;
    IP end2Mask;
```

**id**
A unique number that identifies the link instance inside simulator.

**end1**
Router number to which this link belongs.

**type**
Type of the link. Links can be of two types (in this simulator): Point to Point between two routers or to a Stub Network. `P2P` and `SN` are the constants used for these types in this simulator.

**end2**
Network number or router number of the network/router on the other end of the link.

**cost**
cost of the link
**end1IP**
OSPF id of the router mentioned as *end1*.

**end2IP**
OSPF id of the router/network mentioned as *end2*.

**end2Mask**
If it is a SN link, then end2 is a network having some network mask. This mask is stored in this member.

```cpp
public:
    void set(int ownId, char typ, int id1, int id2, unsigned short lCost);
    void setEnds(IP e1, IP e2);
    void setEnds(IP e1, IP e2, IP e3);
    int getID();
    int getRouter();
    char getType();
    int getNet_Router();
    unsigned short getCost();
    IP& getEnd1();
    IP& getEnd2();
    IP& getEnd2Mask();
```

**set**
Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object.

**setEnds**
Sets the OSPF id of both ends of this link. The three parameter version is used when it is a SN and third parameter specifies the network mask.

**getID, getRoute, getType, getNet_Router, getCost, getEnd1, getEnd2, getEnd2Mask**
Get functions for different attributes

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**Network**
This class provides the description of the instance of a network in the topology.

```cpp
private:
    int number;
    IP id;
    IP mask;
```

**number**
A unique identifier assigned to this network in simulator.

**id**
The IP address of the network.

**mask**
The subnet mask of the network.
public:
  int set(int num, char* nid, char* nmask);
  int getNumber();
  IP& getID();
  IP& getMask();

set
Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

getNumber, getID() getMask()
Get functions for different attributes.

Router
This class describes an OSPF router.

private:
  int number;
  IP id;
  int num_Links;
  Link **links;
  OSPF_Packet_Queue inQ;
  OSPF_Packet_Queue outQ;
  int routingTableSize;
  Routing_Table rt;
  LSDatabase lsdb;
  SP_Tree spt;

number
A unique identifier assigned to this router in OSPFSIM

id
The IP address of the router

num_Links
Number of links of this router

links
List of links attached to this router

inQ
Contains OSPF packets received from other routers.

outQ
Contains OSPF packets generated to transmit to other routers.

routingTableSize
Number of entries in routing table.

rt
The routing table of this router.
**lsdb**

Link State Database of this router. Originally, OSPF routers have independent LSDB for each area to which they are connected but in this simulator we have no concept of areas therefore each router has only one LSDB.

**spt**

Just like LSDBs, OSPF routers have independent shortest path tree for each area to which they are connected and there are no areas in this simulator so again each router has only one SPT.

```cpp
public:
    int getNumber();
    IP& getID();
    int set(int num, char* ospfid);
    int setNumLinks(int count);
    int getPacketToSendCount();
    OSPF_Packet* getPacketToSend();
    int packetReceived(OSPF_Packet* packet);
    int initialize();
    int flood();
private:
    int calculateSPT();
    int calculateRoutingTable();
public:
    int addLink(Link* link);
    void display(FILE* outFile);
    void dispLSDB(FILE* outFile);
    void dispRTBL(FILE* outFile);
```

**getNumber, getID**

Get functions for different attributes

**set**

Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

**setNumLinks**

Set the value of `num_Links`.

**getPacketToSendCount**

Returns the length of `outQ`

**getPacketToSend**

De-queues a packet from `outQ`

**packetReceived**

En-queues a packet in `inQ`.

**initialize**

Performs initialization of this router in OSPF initialization phase

**flood**

Performs the flood phase of OSPF for this router.

**calculateSPT**
Calculates shortest path tree for this router.
*calculateRoutingTable*
Calculates routing table for this router.
*addLink*
Adds a link to this router’s list of links.
*display*
Displays attributes of this router including its Link State Database and Routing Table.
*displayLSDB*
Displays Link State Database of this router.
*displayRTBL*
Displays Routing Table of this router.

### LSA Header

All LSA’s begin with a common 20 byte header. This header contains enough information to uniquely identify the LSA (LS type, Link State ID, and Advertising Router). This class is a representation of LSA header as per appendix A.4.1 of RFC 2328.

```cpp
private:
    unsigned short ls_Age;
    char options;
    char ls_Type;
    IP link_State_ID;
    IP advertising_Router;
    int ls_SequenceNumber;
    short ls_CheckSum;
    unsigned short ls_Length;
```

*ls_Age*

The time in seconds since the LSA was originated. This field is always set to zero as aging is not implemented in this simulator.

*options*

The optional capabilities supported by the described portion of the routing domain. Always set to zero.

*ls_Type*

The type of the LSA. Each LSA type has a separate advertisement format.

*link_State_ID*

This field identifies the portion of the internet environment that is being described by the LSA. The contents of this field depend on the LSA’s LS type. In Router-LSAs the Link State ID is set to the IP interface address of the router attached to this link.

*advertising_Router*

The Router ID of the router that originated the LSA.
**ls_SequenceNumber**

Detects old or duplicate LSAs. Successive instances of an LSA are given successive LS sequence numbers. This field is always set to zero due to non-availability of this feature in this simulator.

**ls_CheckSum**

The Fletcher checksum of the complete contents of the LSA, including the LSA header but excluding the LS age field. Also set to zero as this simulator doesn’t support any checksums.

**ls_Length**

The length in bytes of the LSA. This includes the 20 byte LSA header.

```c
public:
    int set(char type, IP lsID, IP advRouter);
    int set(char type);
    int setLength(unsigned short length);
    unsigned short getLength();
    IP& getLSID();
    void display(FILE* outFile);
```

**set**

Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

**setLength, getLength, getLSID**

Get/set functions for different attributes.

**display**

Displays attributes of this header.

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**LSA_Base**

This is the base class for different type of LSA’s. However, only Router_LSAs are implemented in this simulator.

```c
protected:
    LSA_Header lsa_Header;
```

**lsa_Header**

The header of this LSA

```c
public:
    IP& getLSID();
    void displayHeader(FILE* outFile);
```

**getLSID**

Get function for link_State_ID of the header of this LSA.

**displayHeader**

Displays attributes of the header of this LSA.
Router-LSAs are the Type 1 LSAs. Each router in an area originates a router-LSA. The LSA describes the state and cost of the router’s links (i.e., interfaces) to the area. All of the router’s links to the area must be described in a single router-LSA. This class is an implementation of appendix A.4.2 of RFC 2328.

```cpp
private:
    char optionsVEB;
    char optionsFixed;
    unsigned short num_Links;
    Link_Data *links;
```

**optionsVEB**
Specifies V, E and B bits for representing the type of the router. Always set to ‘0’ in this simulator.

**optionsFixed**
Always ‘0’ in OSPF.

**num_Links**
The number of router links described in this LSA

**links**
A list of links used to describe each router link

```cpp
public:
    Link_Data getLink(int index);
    unsigned short getNumLinks();
    int addLink(IP id, IP data, char type, unsigned short metric);
    void display(FILE* outFile);
```

**getLink**
Returns a link details from this LSAs list of links with the specified index.

**getNumLinks**
Get function for **num_Links**.

**addLink**
Adds a link to this LSA

**display**
Displays the contents of this LSA.

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**Link_Data**
This class describes each router link stated in a Router LSA. Optional TOS fields are not added in this description.

```cpp
private:
    IP link_ID;
    IP link_Data;
    char type;
```
```cpp
char tosNumber;
unsigned short metric;
```

**link_ID**

Identifies the object that this router link connects to. Value depends on the link’s Type. For connections to stub networks, it specifies the network’s IP address mask while in case of point to point router links, it is other end router’s IP address.

**link_Data**

Value again depends on the link’s Type field. For connections to stub networks, Link Data specifies the network’s IP address mask.

**type**

Type of this router link. Only point to point or stub network links are supported in this simulator.

**tosNumber**

The number of different TOS metrics given for this link, not counting the required link metric. This field is set to 0 in this simulator.

**metric**

The cost of using this router link.

```cpp
public:
    int set(IP id, IP data, char typ, unsigned short cost);
    IP getID();
    IP getData();
    char getType();
    char getTOS();
    unsigned short getMetric();
    void display(FILE* outFile);
```

**set**

Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

**getID, getData, getType, getTOS, getMetric**

Get/set functions for different attributes

**display**

Displays attributes of this link.

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**LSDatabase**

This class describes the Link State Database. Originally in OSPF, router has an independent Link State Database for each Area, but in this router due to non-availability of multiple areas, every router will have only one Link State Database. Also, this class contains only router LSAs as other type of LSAs are not supported.

```cpp
private:
    int rLSAs;
    Router_LSA *router_LSAs;
```

**rLSAs**

...
Number of router LSAs present in this Link State Database

(router_LSAs)

Lists of router of LSAs in database

public:
   int getnRLSA();
   int existRouterLSA(IP lsID);
   Router_LSA getRouterLSA(int index);
   Router_LSA getRouterLSA(IP lsID);
   int addRLSALink(IP lsID, IP linkID, IP linkData, char type, short cost);
   int addRouterLSA(Router_LSA rlsa);
   int updateRouterLSA(Router_LSA rlsa);
   void display(FILE* outFile);

getnRLSA
Returns number of router LSAs storeds

existRLSA
Verifies whether a router LSA with specified link state ID present in database.

getRouterLSA
Returns router LSA specified by index or link state ID.

addRLSALink
Adds link to already existing router LSA with specified link state ID.

addRouterLSA
Adds a new router LSA.

updateRouterLSA
Updates the contents of an existing router LSA with same link state ID as the new one.

display
Displays all the stored LSAs.

OSPF_Header

This class is an implementation of appendix A.3.1 of RFC 2328. Every OSPF packet starts with a standard 24 byte header. This header contains all the information necessary to determine whether the packet should be accepted for further processing.

private:
   char version;
   char type;
   unsigned short packet_Length;
   IP router_ID;
   IP area_ID;
   short checksum;
   short au_Type;
   int authentication1;
   int authentication2;
**version**
The OSPF version number (always set to 2).

**type**
The OSPF packet type.

**packet_length**
The length of the OSPF protocol packet in bytes. This length includes the standard OSPF header.

**router_ID**
The Router ID of the packet’s source.

**area_ID**
A 32 bit number identifying the area that this packet belongs to. All OSPF packets are associated with a single area. This value is always set to 0.0.0.0 in this simulator.

**checksum**
The standard IP checksum of the entire contents of the packet, starting with the OSPF packet header but excluding the 64-bit authentication field. This field is always set to 0.

**au_Type**
Identifies the authentication procedure to be used for the packet. Always 0 in this implementation.

**authentication1, authentication2**
A 64-bit field for use by the authentication scheme. Both are not used in this simulator and always have value 0.

```c++
public:
    IP getRouter();
    int set(char typ, unsigned short length, IP router);
    int set(char typ, unsigned short length);
    unsigned short getLength();
    int setLength(unsigned short l);
    char getType();
```

**set**
Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

**getRouter, getLength, setLength, getArea**
Get/set functions for different attributes.

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### OSPF.Packet_Base

This is the base class for different type of OSPF packet classes. However, only Link State Update Packets are implemented in this simulator.

```c++
protected:
    OSPF_Header ospf_Header;
```

**ospf_Header**
The header of this OSPF packet
public:
    char getType();

set
Called first time when this object is created to set main attributes for this object

getType
Returns type of this packet.

struct OSPF_Packet
This structure is used as a queue element for communicating OSPF packets between routers.

    OSPF_Packet_Base* packet;
    int linkID;

packet
The OSPF packet to send.

linkID
The link on which this packet should be sent.

OSPF_Packet_Queue
This class defines incoming and outgoing OSPF packet queues of routers. These queues basically contain list of OSPF_Packet elements.

private:
    int qLength;
    OSPF_Packet **packets;

qLength
The header of this OSPF packet.

packets
List of OSPF packets.

public:
    int getLength();
    int enqueue(OSPF_Packet* packet);
    OSPF_Packet* dequeue();

getLength
Returns length of this queue

enqueue
Adds a packet to this queue.

dequeue
Removes a packet from this queue.
Link_State_Update_Packet : public OSPF_Packet_Base

Described in appendix A.3.5 of RFC 2328. These packets implement the flooding of LSAs. Each Link State Update packet carries a collection of LSAs one hop further from their origin. Several LSAs may be included in a single packet.

```cpp
private:
    int num_rLSA;
    Router_LSA *rLSAs;
```

**num_rLSA**
Number of router LSAs present

**rLSAs**
Lists of router LSAs present.

```cpp
public:
    int getnRLSA();
    Router_LSA getRLSA(int index);
    int addRLSA(Router_LSA rlsa);
```

**getnRLSA**
Get function for `num_rLSA`.

**getRLSA**
Returns router LSA with specified index in the list of stored LSAs.

**addRLSA**
Adds router LSA to this Link State Update Packet.

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IP

This class provides definition of a 32 bit IP address and means to work on it.

```cpp
private:
    unsigned char octets[4];
```

**octets**
The four octets of an IPv4 address

```cpp
public:
    void set(char *id);
    void setOctet(int index, unsigned char oc);
    unsigned char getOctet(int index);
```

**set**
Takes a string in “x.x.x.x” format and converts it to IPv4 address.

**setOctet, getOctet**
Get/set functions for `octets`.  

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Routing_Table

This class represents an OSPF Routing Table (section 11 of RFC 2328). It contains multiple instances of \textit{rtEntry} structure each representing and entry. As OSPF supports multiple equal cost paths, therefore, each routing table entry contains list of all the best paths to a particular destination.

\begin{verbatim}
private:
  int size;
  rtEntry* entries;

size
Number of routing entries.

entries
List of all routing entries.

public:
  int addRoute(char dT, IP dID, IP aM);
  int addRoute(char dT, IP dID);
  int addPath(IP dID, unsigned short cost, IP next);
  char getDType(IP dID);
  IP getDID(int index);
  IP getAM(IP dID);
  int getPathCount(IP dID);
  unsigned short getCost(IP dID, int index);
  IP getNH(IP dID, int index);
  char getPathType(IP dID, int index);
  int getSize();
  int initialize();
\end{verbatim}

addRoute

Calls first time when a new entry is created. The three parameter version is for networks (with subnet mask) while two parameter version is for routers.

addPath

Adds a path to already added destination.

\begin{verbatim}
getDType, getDID, getAM, getPathCount, getCost, getNH, getPathType,getSize()
\end{verbatim}

Get/set functions for different attributes.

initialize

Initializes the routing table. Size field is set to zero and entries is set to null.

\begin{verbatim}
struct rtEntry

This structure represents an individual entry in the routing table. As OSPF supports multiple equal cost paths, therefore, each routing table entry contains list of all the best paths to a particular destination.

private:
  char destination_Type;
  IP destination_ID;
\end{verbatim}
IP address Mask;
int pathCount;
path* paths;

destination_Type

Destination type is either network “N” or router “R”.

destination_ID

The destination’s identifier or name. This depends on the Destination Type. For networks, the identifier is their associated IP address. For routers, the identifier is the OSPF Router ID.

address_Mask

Only defined for networks. The network’s IP address together with its address mask defines a range of IP addresses.

path_Count

Number of different equal cost paths to this destination.

paths

The list of different paths.

```c
struct path
```

This structure describes the details of each individual path to the destination.

```c
private:
    char path_Type;//always set to "INTRA_AREA"
    unsigned short cost;
    IP next_Hop;
```

path_Type

Type of this path. Only “INTRA_AREA” is supported in this simulator.

cost

The link state cost of the path to the destination.

next_Hop

The IP address of the next hop router to the destination.

```c
SP_Tree
```

This class describes the shortest path tree instance. Originally, OSPF routers have independent shortest path tree for every Area, but in this simulator, every router has only one such tree. This class has no implementation so that user can have an implementation according to his ease.
This section describes the syntax of different commands that can be used at simulator’s command line to perform different operations.

**load topology_file**
This command loads the topology described in the file name specified.

**unload**
This command unloads the active topology.

**exit**
Exits from OSPFSIM and returns to OS

**run**
Starts OSPF simulation on active topology. The output (router Link State Databases and Routing Tables) is dumped to a file having same name as topology file but with additional extension .out

**display topology**
Displays a summary of topology file contents.

**display router {number}**
Displays a specified (number as in topology file) router’s Link State Database and routing table.

**display lsdb {number}**
Displays a specified (number as in topology file) router’s Link State Database only.

**display rtable {number}**
Displays a specified (number as in topology file) router’s routing table only.