

Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

Overview

- Introduction
- A brief look at the following (w.r.t MANETs)
 - Medium Access Control
 - Routing (unicast)
 - Reactive Protocols
 - Proactive Protocols
 - Hybrid Protocols
 - Transport and Security Issues
- Conclusion

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I. Introduction

Wireless Networks

- **Need:** Access computing and communication services, on the move
- **Infrastructure-based Networks**
 - traditional cellular systems (base station infrastructure)
- **Wireless LANs**
 - typically radio links (802.11, etc), can be Infrared
 - very flexible within the reception area; ad-hoc networks possible
 - lower bandwidth than wired networks (1-54 Mbit/s)
- **Ad hoc Networks**
 - useful when infrastructure not available, impractical, or expensive
 - originally military applications, rescue, home networking
 - interesting potential for Metro-area networking

Cellular Wireless

- Single hop wireless connectivity to the wired world
 - Space divided into **cells**
 - A **base station** is responsible to communicate with hosts in its cell
 - Mobile hosts can change cells while communicating
 - **Hand-off** occurs when a mobile host starts communicating via a new base station

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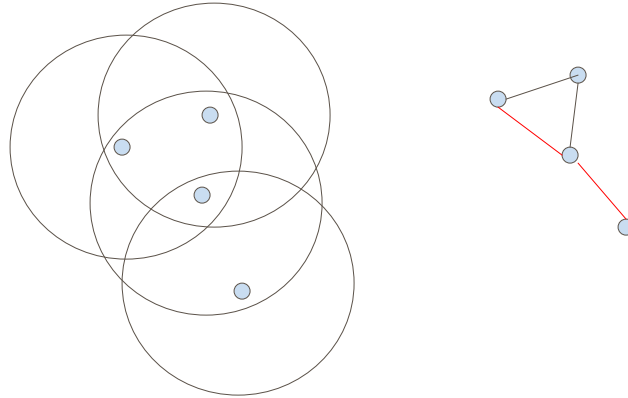
Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs)

- Formed by wireless hosts which may be mobile
- Without (necessarily) using a pre-existing infrastructure
- Routes between nodes may potentially contain multiple hops

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Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs)

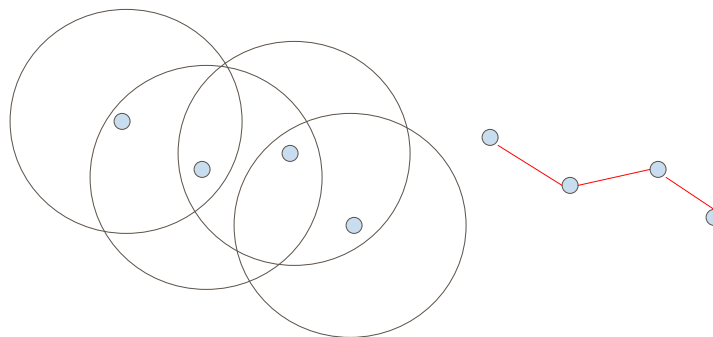
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Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs)

- Mobility causes route changes



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Why Ad Hoc Networks ?

- Setting up of fixed access points and backbone infrastructure is not always viable
 - Infrastructure may not be present in a disaster area or war zone
 - Infrastructure may not be practical for short-range radios; Bluetooth (range ~ 10m)
- Ad hoc networks:
 - Do not need backbone infrastructure support
 - Are easy to deploy
 - Self-configure
 - Useful when infrastructure is absent, destroyed or impractical

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Many Applications

- Personal area networking
 - cell phone, laptop, ear phone, wrist watch
- Military environments
 - soldiers, tanks, planes
- Civilian environments
 - taxi cab network
 - meeting rooms
 - sports stadiums
 - boats, small aircraft
- Emergency operations
 - search-and-rescue
 - policing and fire fighting

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Many Variations

- Fully Symmetric Environment
 - all nodes have identical capabilities and responsibilities
- Asymmetric Capabilities
 - transmission ranges and radios may differ
 - battery life of different nodes may differ
 - processing capacity may be different at different nodes
 - speed of movement
- Asymmetric Responsibilities
 - only some nodes may route packets
 - some nodes may act as leaders of nearby nodes (e.g., cluster head)

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Many Variations

- Traffic characteristics may differ in different ad hoc networks
 - bit rate
 - timeliness constraints
 - reliability requirements
 - unicast / multicast / geocast
 - host-based addressing / content-based addressing / capability-based addressing
- May co-exist (and co-operate) with an infrastructure-based network

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Many Variations

- Mobility patterns may be different
 - people sitting at an airport lounge
 - New York taxi cabs
 - kids playing
 - military movements
 - personal area network

- Mobility characteristics
 - speed
 - predictability
 - direction of movement
 - pattern of movement
 - uniformity (or lack thereof) of mobility characteristics among different nodes

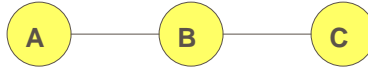
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Challenges in Design & Operation of MANETs

- Lack of a centralized entity
- ALL communications is carried over the wireless medium
 - Limited wireless transmission range
 - Broadcast nature of the wireless medium
 - Hidden terminal problem (see next slide)
 - Exposed terminal problem
 - Ease of snooping on wireless transmissions (security hazard)
- Packet losses due to transmission errors
- Mobility-induced route changes
- Mobility-induced packet losses
- Battery constraints
- Potentially frequent network partitions

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Hidden Terminal Problem



Nodes A and C cannot hear each other

Transmissions by nodes A and C can collide at node B

Nodes A and C are **hidden from each other**

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Challenges in Design & Operation of MANETs

- Given all these challenges, the design of ad-hoc should allow for a high degree of
 - Reliability
 - Survivability
 - Availability
 - Manageability of the network

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II. Medium Access Control Protocols

Motivation

- Can we apply media access methods from fixed networks?
- Example CSMA/CD
 - **Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection**
 - Send as soon as the medium is free, listen into the medium if a collision occurs (original method in IEEE 802.3)
- **Medium access problems in wireless networks**
 - Signal strength decreases proportional to the square of the distance
 - Sender would apply CS and CD, but the collisions happen at the receiver
 - Sender may not “hear” the collision, i.e., CD does not work
 - CS might not work, e.g. if a terminal is “hidden”

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Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance (MACA) [Kar90]

- MACA uses signaling packets for collision avoidance
 - **RTS (request to send)**
 - sender request the right to send from a receiver with a short RTS packet before it sends a data packet
 - **CTS (clear to send)**
 - receiver grants the right to send as soon as it is ready to receive
- Signaling packets contain
 - sender address
 - receiver address
 - packet size
- Variants of this method are used in IEEE 802.11

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Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance (MACA) [Kar90]

- MACA avoids the problem of hidden terminals
 - A and C want to send to B
 - A sends **RTS** first
 - C waits after receiving **CTS** from B
- MACA avoids the problem of exposed terminals
 - B wants to send to A, C to another terminal
 - now C does not have to wait, as it cannot receive CTS from A

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MACAW Scheme [Bha94]

- Suggested use of RTS-CTS-DS-DATA- ACK message exchange for a data packet transmission
 - Two new control packets were added to the packet train: DS and ACK packets
- A new back-off algorithm, the Multiple Increase and Linear Decrease (MILD) algorithm, was also proposed
 - Address the unfairness problem in accessing the shared channel
- The drawback of the MACAW scheme is inherited from the MACA scheme: the RTS/CTS packet collisions in a network with hidden terminals degrade its performance

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Floor Acquisition Multiple Access (FAMA) Scheme [Ful94]

- Each ready node has to acquire the channel (the "floor") before it can transmit its data packets
- Uses both CS and RTS/CTS dialogue to ensure the acquisition of the "floor" and the successful transmission of the data packets
- Was extended to FAMA-NPS (FAMA Non-persistent Packet Sensing) and FAMA-NCS (FAMA Non-persistent Carrier Sensing) [Ful97]
- FAMA-NCS uses carrier sensing to keep neighbor nodes from transmitting while the channel is being used for data packet transmission
- FAMA-NCS out-performs non-persistent CSMA and previous FAMA schemes in multi-hop networks

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Dual Busy Tone Multiple Access (DBTMA) Scheme [Haa02]

- In addition to the use of an RTS packet, two out-of-band busy tones are used
 - Transmit Busy Tone + RTS packet
 - Receive Busy Tone

- *DBTMA* scheme completely solves the *hidden terminal* and the *exposed terminal* problems.
 - forbids the hidden terminals to send any packet on the channel while the receiver is receiving the data packet
 - allows the exposed terminals to initiate transmission by sending out the RTS packets
 - allows the hidden terminals to reply RTS packets by setting up the Receive Busy Tone and initiate data packet reception

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III. Routing Protocols

Unicast Routing Protocols

- Many protocols have been proposed
- Some specifically invented for MANET
- Others adapted from protocols for wired networks
- No single protocol works well in all environments
 - some attempts made to develop adaptive/hybrid protocols
- Standardization efforts in IETF
 - MANET, MobileIP working groups
 - <http://www.ietf.org>

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Unicast Routing Protocols

- Proactive Protocols
 - Traditional distributed shortest-path protocols
 - Maintain routes between every host pair at all times
 - Based on periodic updates; High routing overhead
 - Example: DSDV (destination sequenced distance vector)
- Reactive Protocols
 - Determine route if and when needed
 - Source initiates route discovery
 - Example: DSR (dynamic source routing)
- Hybrid Protocols
 - Adaptive; Combination of proactive and reactive
 - Example : ZRP (zone routing protocol)

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Protocol Trade-offs

- Proactive Protocols
 - Always maintain routes
 - Little or no delay for route determination
 - Consume bandwidth to keep routes up-to-date
 - Maintain routes which may never be used

- Reactive Protocols
 - Lower overhead since routes are determined on demand
 - Significant delay in route determination
 - Employ flooding (global search)
 - Control traffic may be bursty

- Which approach achieves a better trade-off depends on the traffic and mobility patterns

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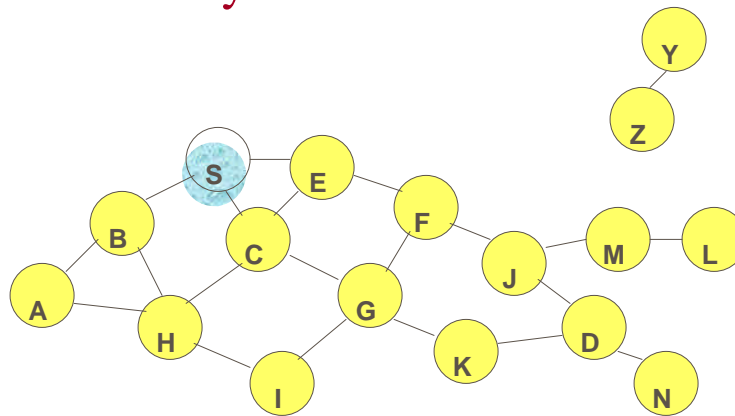
1. Reactive protocols

Dynamic Source Routing (DSR) [Joh96]

- When node S wants to send a packet to node D, but does not know a route to D, node S initiates a **route discovery**
- Source node S floods **Route Request (RREQ)**
- Each node **appends own identifier** when forwarding RREQ

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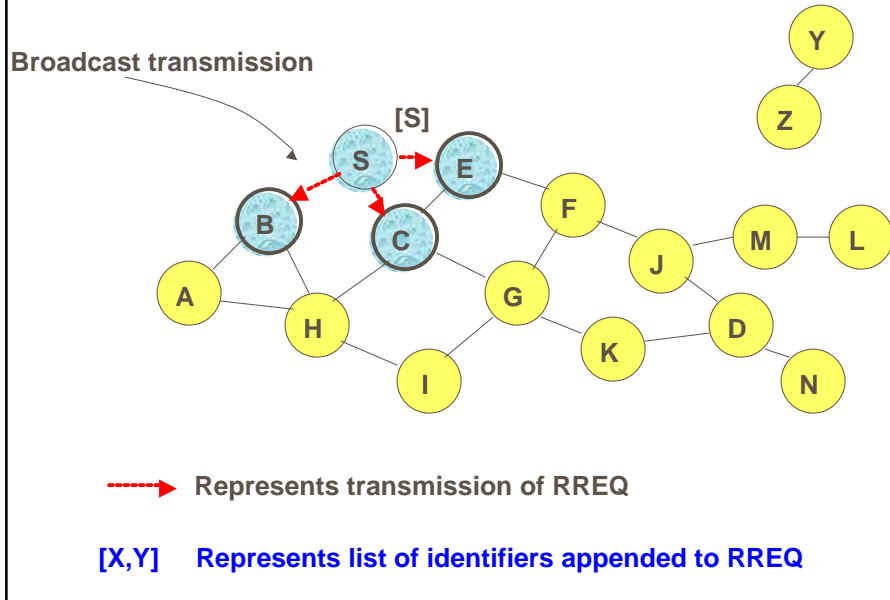
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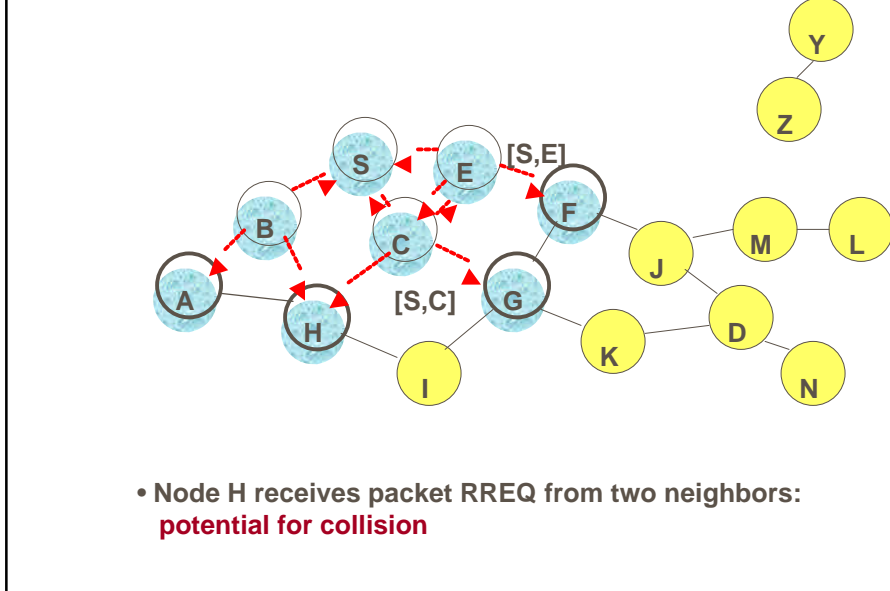
Represents a node that has received RREQ for D from S

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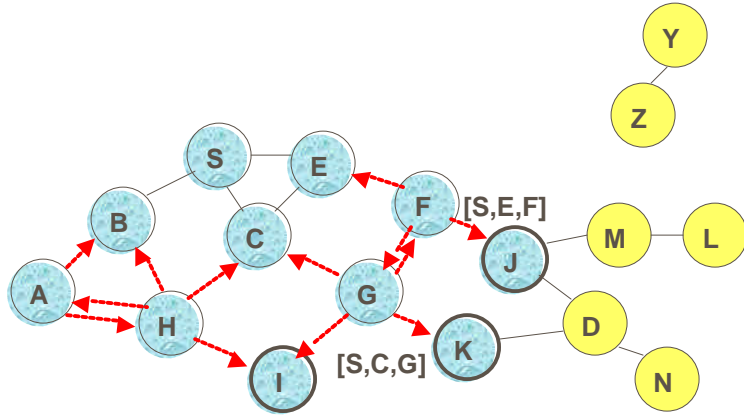
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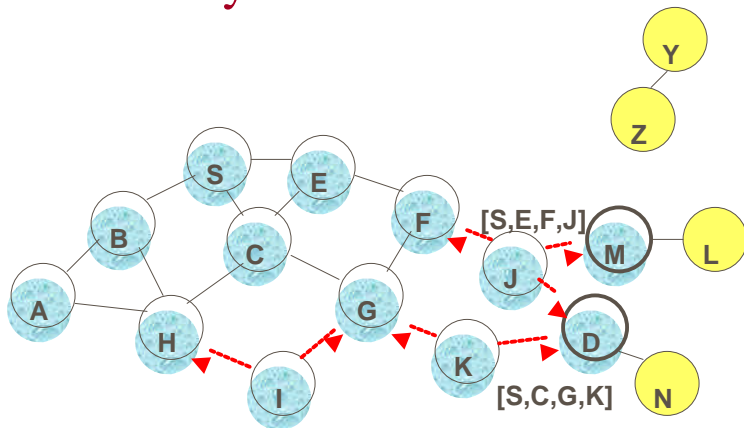
Route Discovery in DSR



- Node C receives RREQ from G and H, but does not forward it again, because node C has **already forwarded RREQ** once

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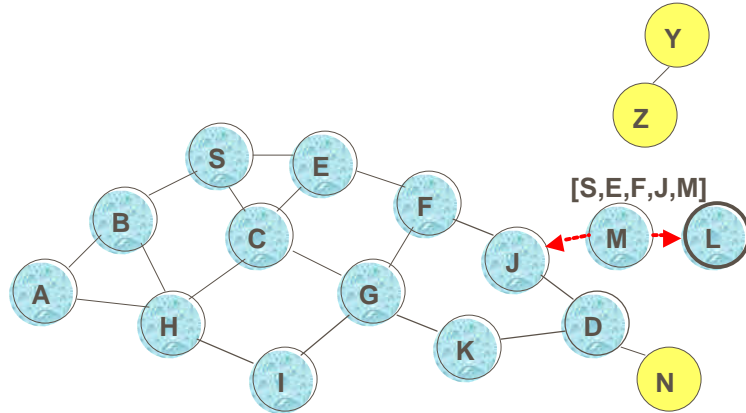
Route Discovery in DSR



- Nodes J and K both broadcast RREQ to node D
- Since nodes J and K are **hidden** from each other, their **transmissions may collide**

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Route Discovery in DSR



- Node D **does not forward** RREQ, because node D is the **intended target** of the route discovery

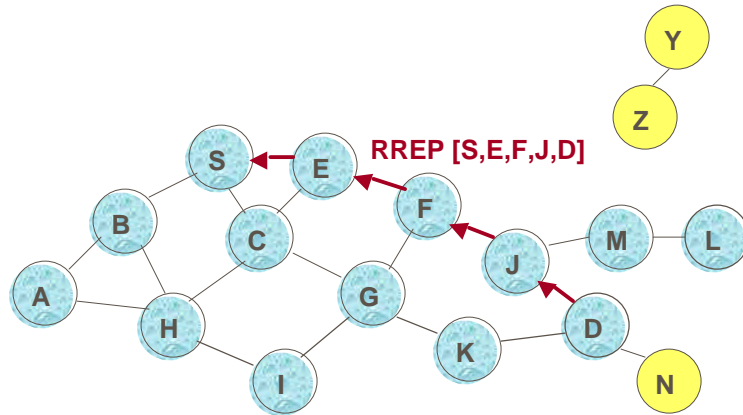
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Route Discovery in DSR

- Destination D on receiving the first RREQ, sends a **Route Reply (RREP)**
- RREP is sent on a route obtained by **reversing** the route appended to received RREQ
- RREP **includes the route** from S to D on which RREQ was received by node D

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Route Reply in DSR



← Represents RREP control message

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Route Reply in DSR

- Route Reply can be sent by reversing the route in Route Request (RREQ) only if links are guaranteed to be bi-directional
 - To ensure this, RREQ should be forwarded only if it received on a link that is known to be bi-directional
- If unidirectional (asymmetric) links are allowed, then RREP may need a route discovery for S from node D
 - Unless node D already knows a route to node S
 - If a route discovery is initiated by D for a route to S, then the Route Reply is piggybacked on the Route Request from D

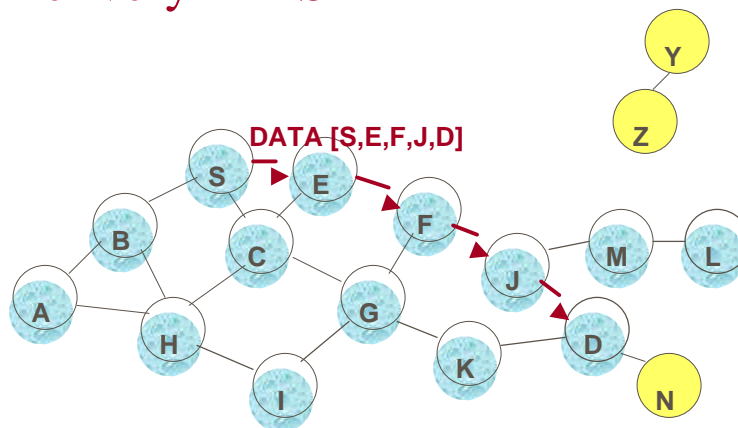
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Dynamic Source Routing (DSR)

- Node S on receiving RREP, caches the route included in the RREP
- When node S sends a data packet to D, the entire route is included in the packet header
 - hence the name **source routing**
- Intermediate nodes use the **source route** included in a packet to determine to whom a packet should be forwarded

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Data Delivery in DSR



Packet header size grows with route length

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DSR Optimization: Route Caching

- Each node caches a new route it learns by *any means*
- When node S finds route [S,E,F,J,D] to node D, node S also learns route [S,E,F] to node F
- When node K receives Route Request [S,C,G] destined for node D, node K learns route [K,G,C,S] to node S
- When node F forwards Route Reply RREP [S,E,F,J,D], node F learns route [F,J,D] to node D
- When node E forwards Data [S,E,F,J,D] it learns route [E,F,J,D] to node D
- A node may also learn a route when it overhears Data packets

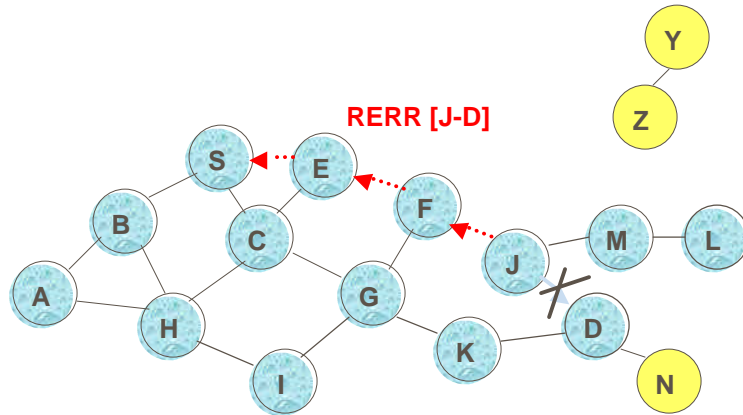
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Use of Route Caching

- When node S learns that a route to node D is broken, it uses another route from its local cache, if such a route to D exists in its cache. Otherwise, node S initiates route discovery by sending a route request
- Node X on receiving a Route Request for some node D can send a Route Reply if node X knows a route to node D
- Use of route cache
 - can speed up route discovery
 - can reduce propagation of route requests

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Route Error (RERR)



J sends a route error to S along route J-F-E-S when its attempt to forward the data packet S (with route SEFJD) on J-D fails

Nodes hearing RERR update their route cache to remove link J-D

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Route Caching: Beware!

- Stale caches can adversely affect performance
- With passage of time and host mobility, cached routes may become invalid
- A sender host may try several stale routes (obtained from local cache, or replied from cache by other nodes), before finding a good route

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Ad Hoc On-Demand Distance Vector (AODV) Routing [Per99]

- DSR includes source routes in packet headers
- Resulting large headers can sometimes degrade performance
 - particularly when data contents of a packet are small
- AODV attempts to improve on DSR by maintaining routing tables at the nodes, so that data packets do not have to contain routes
- AODV retains the desirable feature of DSR that routes are maintained only between nodes which need to communicate

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AODV

- Route Requests (RREQ) are forwarded in a manner similar to DSR
- When a node re-broadcasts a Route Request, it sets up a reverse path pointing towards the source
 - AODV assumes symmetric (bi-directional) links
- When the intended destination receives a Route Request, it replies by sending a Route Reply
- Route Reply travels along the reverse path set-up when Route Request is forwarded

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Temporally-Ordered Routing Algorithm (TORA) [Par00]

- In TORA, routes to a destination are defined by a Directional Acyclic Graph (DAG) rooted at the destination
- It is a merger of the proactive link reversal algorithm for destination-oriented Directional-Acyclic-Graph creation proposed in [Gaf81] and the on-demand query-reply mechanism of Lightweight Mobile Routing (LMR) [Cor95]
- TORA also supports a proactive mode

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2. Proactive protocols

Destination-Sequenced Distance-Vector (DSDV) Routing [Per94]

- Improves over the conventional Bellman-Ford distance-vector protocol
 - It eliminates route looping, increases convergence speed, and reduces control message overhead
- Each node maintains a routing table which stores
 - next hop towards each destination
 - a cost metric for the path to each destination
 - a destination sequence number that is created by the destination itself
 - Sequence numbers used to avoid formation of loops
- Each node periodically forwards the routing table to its neighbors
 - Each node increments and appends its sequence number when sending its local routing table
 - This sequence number will be attached to route entries created for this node

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Destination-Sequenced Distance-Vector (DSDV)

- Assume that node X receives routing information from Y about a route to node Z



- Let $S(X)$ and $S(Y)$ denote the destination sequence number for node Z as stored at node X, and as sent by node Y with its routing table to node X, respectively

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Destination-Sequenced Distance-Vector (DSDV)

- Node X takes the following steps:



- If $S(X) > S(Y)$, then X ignores the routing information received from Y
- If $S(X) = S(Y)$, and cost of going through Y is smaller than the route known to X, then X sets Y as the next hop to Z
- If $S(X) < S(Y)$, then X sets Y as the next hop to Z, and $S(X)$ is updated to equal $S(Y)$

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Wireless Routing Protocol (WRP)

[Mur96]

- Again, improves over the Bellman-Ford distance-vector protocol
 - It reduces amount of route looping, and has a mechanism to ensure reliable exchange of update messages
- Each node maintains a distance-table matrix
 - contains all destination nodes,
 - all neighbors through which the destination node can be reached
 - For each neighbor-destination pair, if a route exists, the route length is recorded
- Each node neighbor broadcasts its current best route to selected destinations on an event driven incremental basis
 - acknowledgments are expected from all neighbor nodes
 - If some acknowledgments are missing, the broadcast will be repeated, with a *message retransmission list* specifying the subset of neighbors that need to respond

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Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

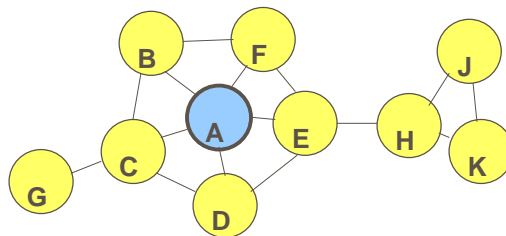
[Jac00]

- It's a link-state protocol where the link information is disseminated through an efficient flooding technique
- The overhead of flooding link state information is reduced by requiring fewer nodes to forward the information
- A broadcast from node X is only forwarded by its *multipoint relays*
- Multipoint relays of node X are its neighbors such that each two-hop neighbor of X is a one-hop neighbor of at least one multipoint relay of X
 - Each node transmits its neighbor list in periodic beacons, so that all nodes can know their 2-hop neighbors, in order to choose the multipoint relays

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Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

- Nodes C and E are multipoint relays of node A

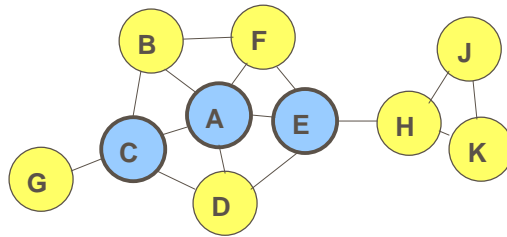


Node that has broadcast state information from A

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Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

- Nodes C and E forward information received from A

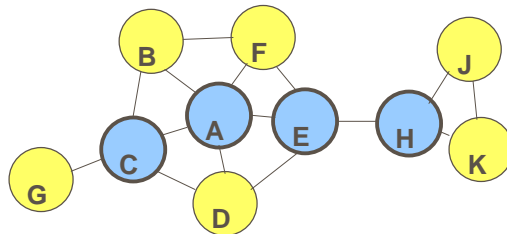


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Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

- Nodes E and K are multipoint relays for node H
- Node K forwards information received from H
 - E has already forwarded the same information once



Node that has broadcast state information from A

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Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

- OLSR floods information through the multipoint relays
- The flooded itself is fir links connecting nodes to respective multipoint relays
- Routes used by OLSR only include multipoint relays as intermediate nodes

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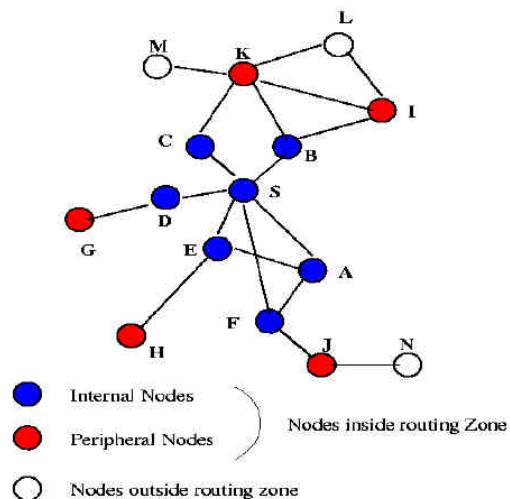
3. Hybrid protocols

Zone Routing Protocol (ZRP) [Pea99]

- ZRP combines proactive and reactive approaches
- All nodes within hop distance at most d from a node X are said to be in the **routing zone** of node X
- All nodes at hop distance exactly d are said to be **peripheral nodes** of node X 's routing zone
- **Intra-zone routing**: Proactively maintain routes to all nodes within the source node's own zone.
- **Inter-zone routing**: Use an on-demand protocol (similar to DSR or AODV) to determine routes to outside zone.

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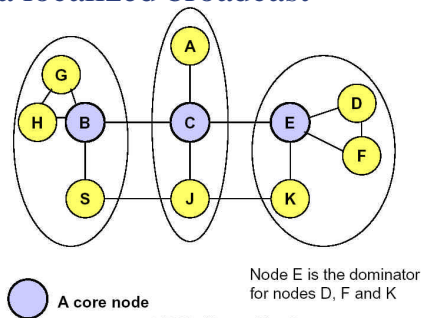
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Core-Extraction Distributed Ad hoc Routing (CEDAR) [Siv99]

- A subset of nodes in the network is identified as the *core*
- Each node in the network must be adjacent to at least one node in the core
- Each core node determines paths to nearby core nodes by means of a localized broadcast



Location-Aided Routing (LAR) [Ko98]

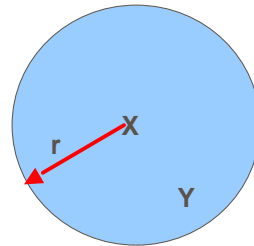
- Exploits location information to limit scope of route request flood
 - Location information may be obtained using GPS
- *Expected Zone* is determined as a region that is expected to hold the current location of the destination
 - Expected region determined based on potentially old location information, and knowledge of the destination's speed
- Route requests limited to a *Request Zone* that contains the Expected Zone and location of the sender node

Expected Zone in LAR

X = last known location of node D, at time t₀

Y = location of node D at current time t₁, unknown to node S

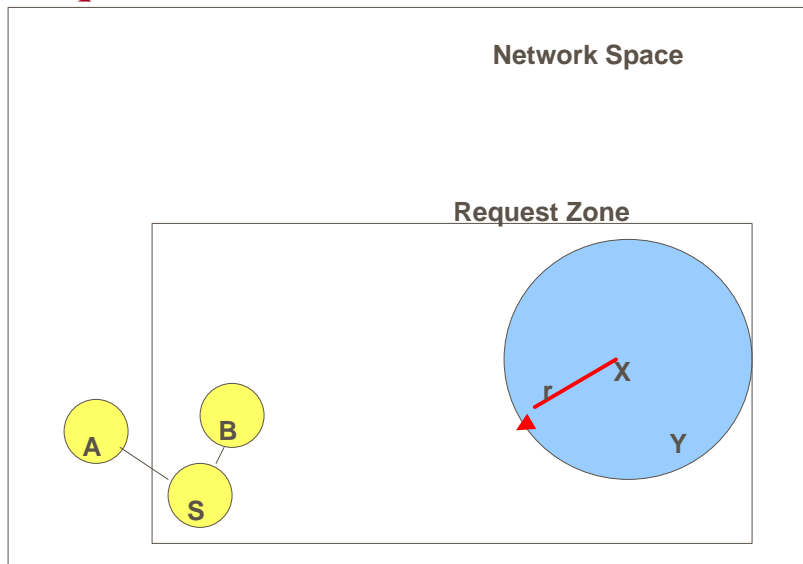
$r = (t_1 - t_0) * \text{estimate of D's speed}$



Expected Zone

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Request Zone in LAR



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LAR

- Only nodes **within the request zone** forward route requests
 - Node A does not forward RREQ, but node B does (see previous slide)
- Request zone explicitly specified in the route request
- Each node must know its physical location to determine whether it is within the request zone

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LAR

- Only nodes **within the request zone** forward route requests
- If route discovery using the smaller request zone fails to find a route, the sender initiates another route discovery (after a timeout) using a larger request zone
 - the larger request zone may be the entire network
- Rest of route discovery protocol similar to DSR

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Other Routing Protocols

- Plenty of other routing protocols
- Discussion here is far from exhaustive

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IV. Transport Issues

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- UDP provides unreliable delivery
- Studies comparing different routing protocols for MANET typically measure UDP performance
- Several performance metrics are often used
 - Routing overhead per data packet
 - Packet loss rate
 - Packet delivery delay

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UDP Performance

- Several relevant studies
[Broch98Mobicom, Das9ic3n, Johansson99Mobicom, Das00Infocm, Jacquet00Inria]
- Results comparing a specific pair of protocols do not always agree, but some general (and intuitive) conclusions can be drawn
 - Reactive protocols may yield lower routing overhead than proactive protocols when communication density is low
 - Reactive protocols tend to lose more packets (assuming that network layer drops packets if a route is not known)
 - Proactive protocols perform better with high mobility and dense communication graph

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UDP Performance

- Many variables affect performance
 - Traffic characteristics
 - one-to-many, many-to-one, many-to-many
 - small bursts, large file transfers, real-time, non-real-time
 - Mobility characteristics
 - low/high rate of movement
 - do nodes tend to move in groups
 - Node capabilities
 - transmission range (fixed, changeable)
 - battery constraints
 - Performance metrics
 - delay
 - throughput
 - latency
 - routing overhead
 - Static or dynamic system characteristics (listed above)

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UDP Performance

- Difficult to identify a single scheme that will perform well in all environments
- **Holy Grail:** Routing protocol that dynamically adapts to all environments so as to optimize “performance”
 - Performance metrics may differ in different environments

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Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

- Reliable ordered delivery
- Implements congestion avoidance and control
- Reliability achieved by means of retransmissions if necessary

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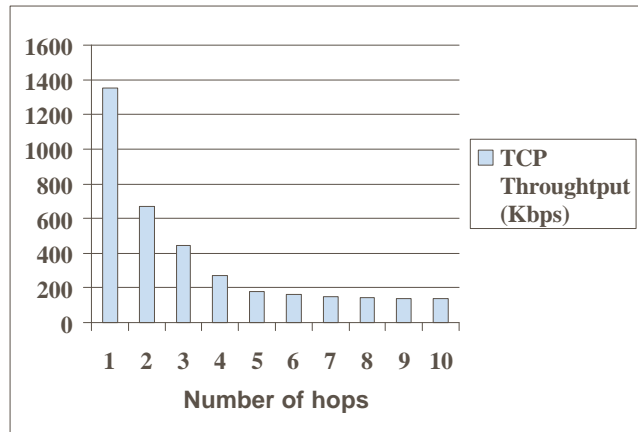
Throughput over Multi-Hop Wireless Paths

[Gerla99]

- Connections over multiple hops are at a disadvantage compared to shorter connections, because they have to contend for wireless access at each hop

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Impact of Multi-Hop Wireless Paths [Holland99]



TCP Throughput using 2 Mbps 802.11 MAC

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Throughput Degradations with Increasing Number of Hops

- Packet transmission can occur on at most one hop among three consecutive hops
 - Increasing the number of hops from 1 to 2, 3 results in increased delay, and decreased throughput
- Increasing number of hops beyond 3 allows simultaneous transmissions on more than one link, however, degradation continues due to contention between TCP Data and Acks traveling in opposite directions
- When number of hops is large enough, the throughput stabilizes due to *effective pipelining*

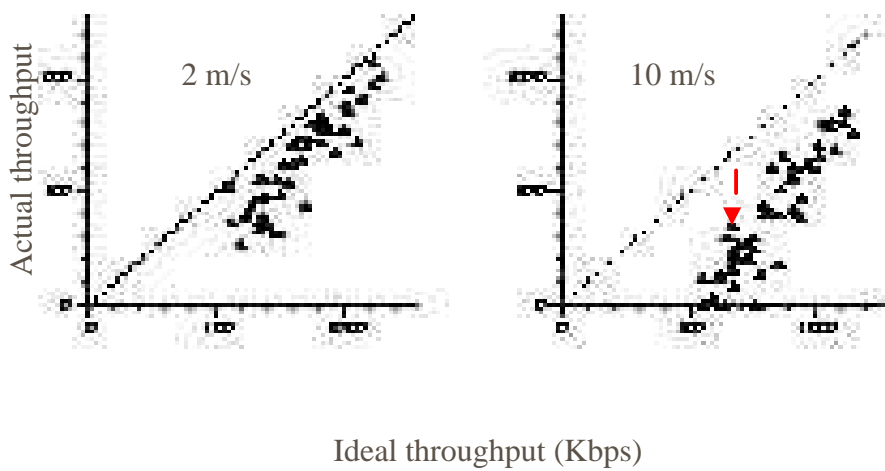
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Ideal Throughput

- $f(i)$ = fraction of time for which shortest path length between sender and destination is I
- $T(i)$ = Throughput when path length is I
 - From previous figure
- Ideal throughput = $\sum f(i) * T(i)$

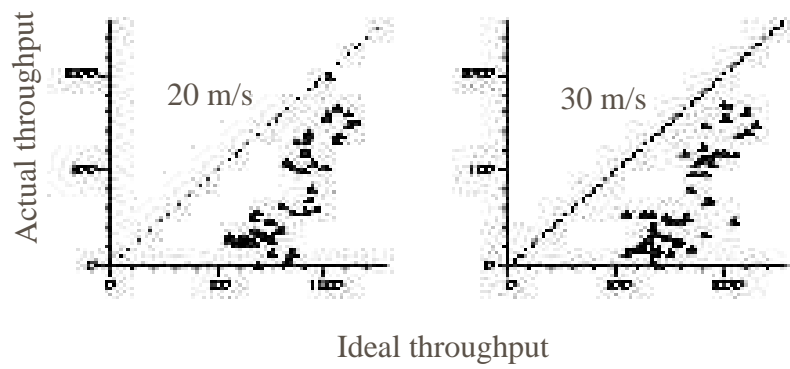
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Impact of Mobility TCP Throughput



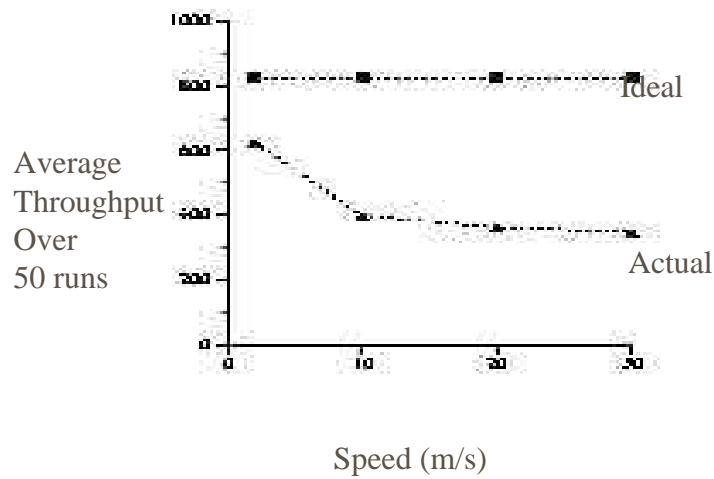
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Impact of Mobility



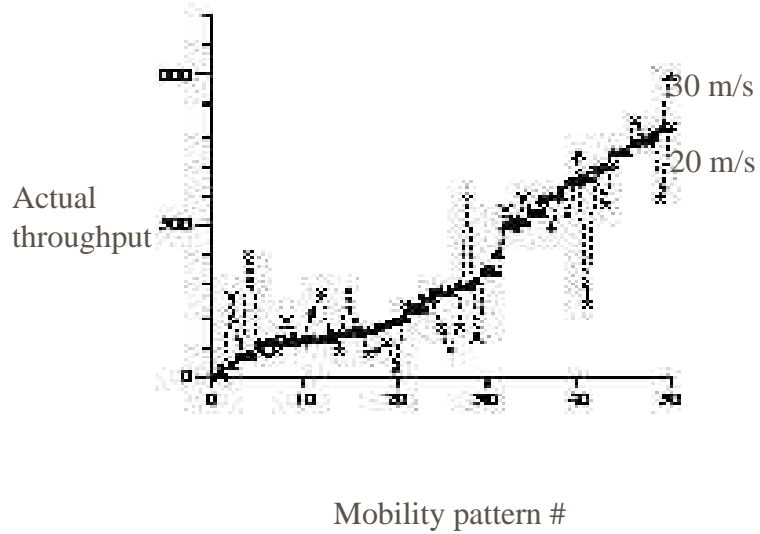
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Throughput generally degrades with increasing speed ...



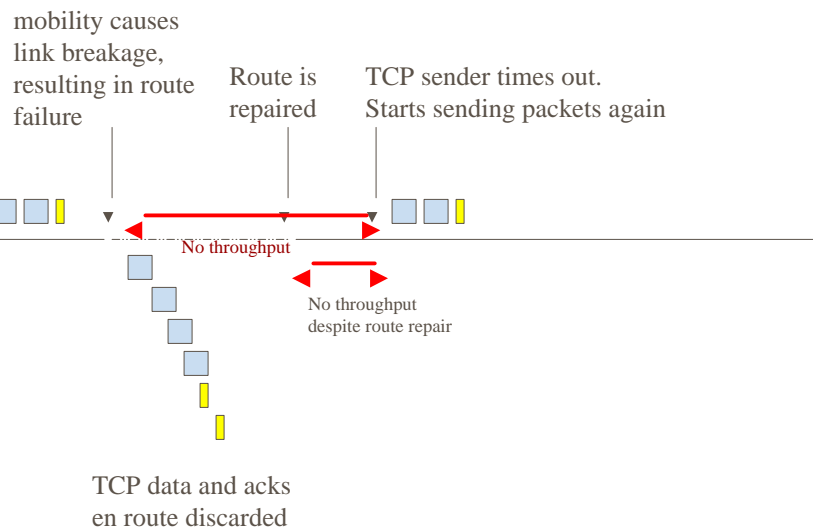
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But not always ...



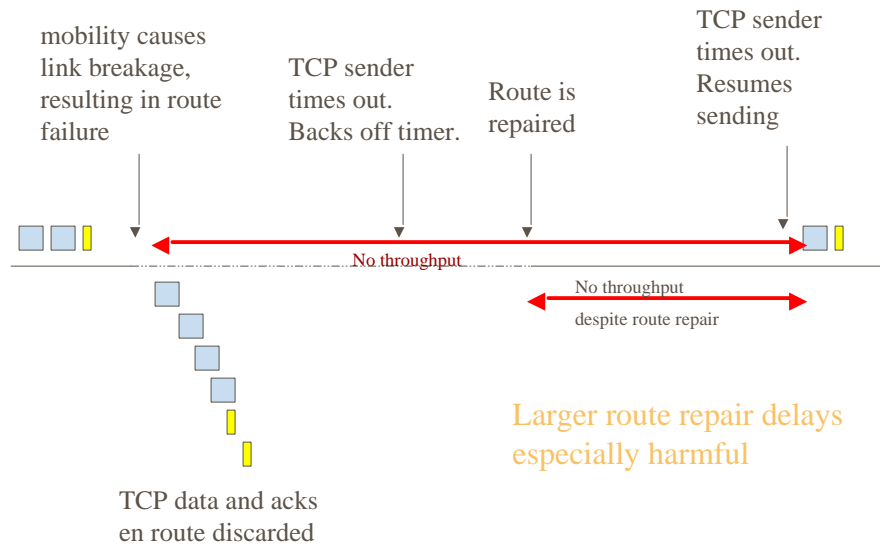
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Why Does Throughput Degrade?



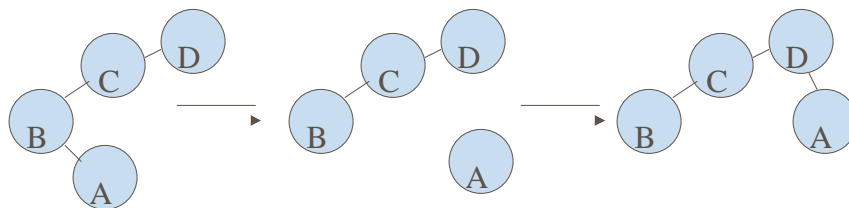
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Why Does Throughput Degradate?



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Why Does Throughput Improve? Low Speed Scenario



1.5 second route failure

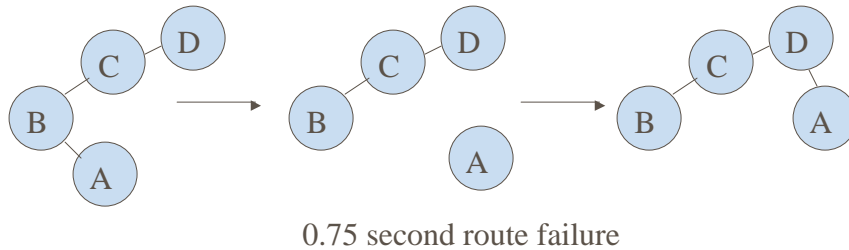
Route from A to D is broken for ~1.5 second.

When TCP sender times after 1 second, route still broken.

TCP times out after another 2 seconds, and **only then resumes.**

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Why Does Throughput Improve? Higher (double) Speed Scenario



Route from A to D is broken for ~ 0.75 second.

When TCP sender times after 1 second, route is repaired.

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Why Does Throughput Improve? General Principle

- The previous two slides show a plausible cause for improved throughput
- TCP timeout interval somewhat (not entirely) independent of speed
- Network state at higher speed, when timeout occurs, may be more favorable than at lower speed
- Network state
 - Link/route status
 - Route caches
 - Congestion

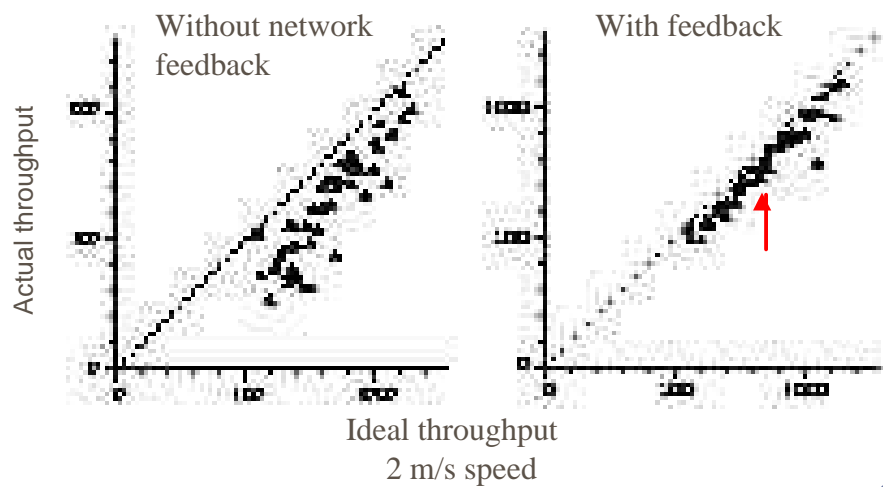
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How to Improve Throughput (Bring Closer to Ideal)

- Network feedback
- Inform TCP of route failure by explicit message
- Let TCP know when route is repaired
 - Probing
 - Explicit notification
- Reduces repeated TCP timeouts and backoff

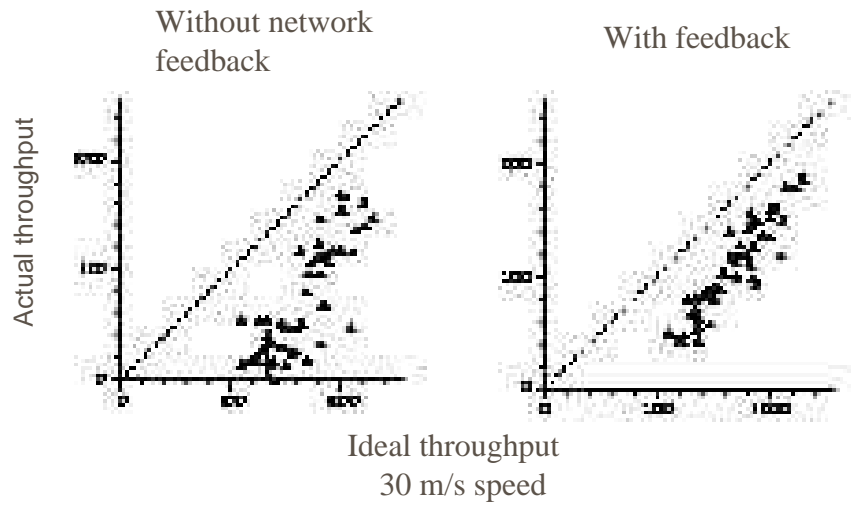
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Performance Improvement

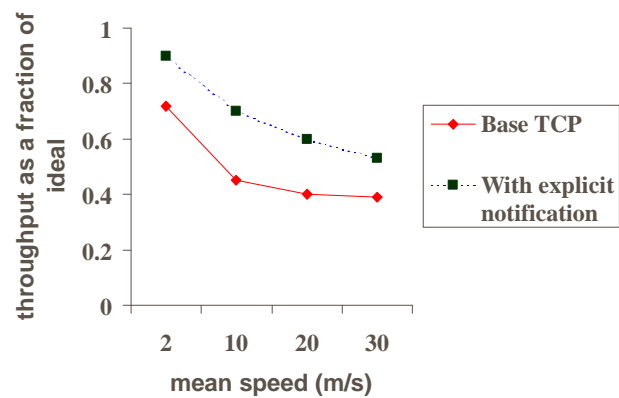


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Performance Improvement



Performance with Explicit Notification

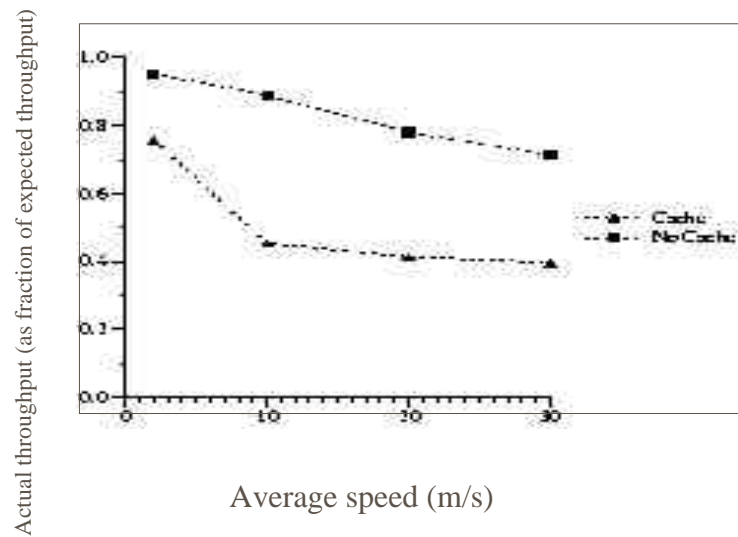


Impact of Caching

- Route caching has been suggested as a mechanism to reduce route discovery overhead [Broch98]
- Each node may cache one or more routes to a given destination
- When a route from S to D is detected as broken, node S may:
 - Use another cached route from local cache, or
 - Obtain a new route using cached route at another node

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To Cache or Not to Cache



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Why Performance Degrades With Caching

- When a route is broken, route discovery returns a cached route from local cache or from a nearby node
- After a time-out, TCP sender transmits a packet on the new route.
However, the cached route has also broken after it was cached



- Another route discovery, and TCP time-out interval
- Process repeats until a good route is found

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Issues

To Cache or Not to Cache

- Caching can result in **faster** route “repair”
- Faster does not necessarily mean **correct**
- If incorrect repairs occur often enough, caching performs poorly
- Need mechanisms for determining when cached routes are stale

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Caching and TCP performance

- Caching can reduce overhead of route discovery even if cache accuracy is not very high
- But if cache accuracy is not high enough, gains in routing overhead may be offset by loss of TCP performance due to multiple time-outs

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TCP Performance

Two factors result in degraded throughput in presence of mobility:

- Loss of throughput that occurs while waiting for TCP sender to timeout (as seen earlier)
 - This factor can be mitigated by using explicit notifications and better route caching mechanisms
- Poor choice of congestion window and RTO values after a new route has been found
 - How to choose *cwnd* and *RTO* after a route change?

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Issues

Window Size After Route Repair

- Same as before route break: may be too **optimistic**
- Same as startup: may be too **conservative**
- **Better be conservative** than overly optimistic
 - Reset window to small value after route repair
 - Let TCP figure out the suitable window size
 - Impact low on paths with small delay-bw product

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Issues

RTO After Route Repair

- Same as before route break
 - If new route long, this RTO may be too small, leading to timeouts
- Same as TCP start-up (6 second)
 - May be too large
 - May result in slow response to next packet loss
- **Another plausible approach:** new RTO = function of old RTO, old route length, and new route length
 - Example: $\text{new RTO} = \text{old RTO} * \text{new route length} / \text{old route length}$
 - Not evaluated yet
 - Pitfall: RTT is not just a function of route length

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V. Security Issues

Security Issues in Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

- Not much work in this area as yet
- Many of the security issues are same as those in traditional wired networks and cellular wireless
- What's new ?

What's New ?

- Wireless medium is easy to snoop on
- Due to ad hoc connectivity and mobility, it is hard to guarantee access to any particular node (for instance, to obtain a secret key)
- Easier for trouble-makers to insert themselves into a mobile ad hoc network (as compared to a wired network)

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Resurrecting Duckling

- Battery exhaustion threat: A malicious node may interact with a mobile node often with the goal of draining the mobile node's battery
- Authenticity: Who can a node talk to safely?
 - **Resurrecting duckling:** Analogy based on a duckling and its mother. Apparently, a duckling assumes that the first object it hears is the mother
 - A mobile device will trust first device which sends a secret key

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Secure Routing

- Attackers may inject erroneous routing information
- By doing so, an attacker may be able to divert network traffic, or make routing inefficient
- Suggests use of digital signatures to protect routing information and data both
- Such schemes need a Certification Authority to manage the private-public keys

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Secure Routing

- Establishing a Certification Authority (CA) difficult in a mobile ad hoc network, since the authority may not be reachable from all nodes at all times
- Suggests distributing the CA function over multiple nodes

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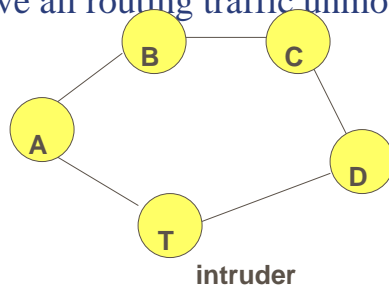
MANET Authentication Architecture

- Digital signatures to authenticate a message
- Key distribution via certificates
- Need access to a certification authority
- Specifies message formats to be used to carry signature, etc.

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Techniques for Intrusion-Resistant Ad Hoc Routing Algorithms (TIARA)

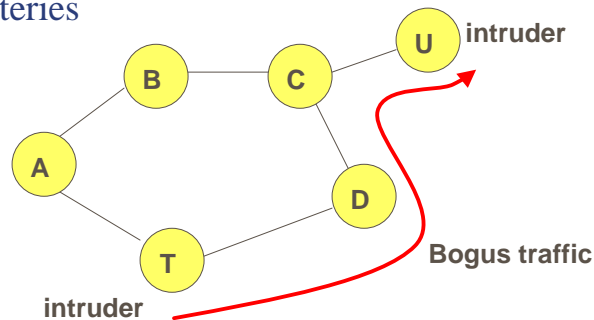
- **Flow disruption attack:** Intruder (or compromised) node T may delay/drop/corrupt all data passing through, but leave all routing traffic unmodified



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Techniques for Intrusion-Resistant Ad Hoc Routing Algorithms (TIARA)

- **Resource Depletion Attack:** Intruders may send data with the objective of congesting a network or depleting batteries



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Intrusion Detection

- Detection of abnormal routing table updates
 - Uses “training” data to determine characteristics of normal routing table updates (such as rate of change of routing info)
 - Efficacy of this approach is not evaluated, and is debatable
- Similar abnormal behavior may be detected at other protocol layers
 - For instance, at the MAC layer, *normal* behavior may be characterized for access patterns by various hosts
 - Abnormal behavior may indicate intrusion
- Solutions proposed in [Zhang00Mobicom] are preliminary, not enough detail provided

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VI. Conclusion

In Conclusion

- Issues other than routing have received much less attention
- **Other interesting problems:**
 - Applications for MANET
 - Address assignment
 - QoS issues
 - Improving interaction between protocol layers

Thank You

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