

Topic 9:

Ad hoc Network (Mesh Network)



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Wireless Mesh Network.









Mesh Network Scenario





Multi-channel, Multi-Radio, Directional Antenna





Two Issues for Collaborative Computing

- Network Layer Collaborative:
 - Ad hoc~ Infrastructure-less ~ support "anytime, anywhere"
 - To support communications between ad hoc nodes
 - To guide the packets effectively to satisfy different requirements
 - To adjust to dynamical topology change (due to Mobility)
- Application Collaborative:
 - Video Conferencing, News Broadcasting
 - Group of users to share the same information
 - Mobility Support



Trend Evolution



- The involvement and level of responsibility of end users have dramatically increased
- The freedom has fueled creativity
- Infrastructure-less, self-organized networks
 - The network runs solely by operation of end users
 - Progress of electronic integration and wireless communication
 - Complement these infrastructures in cases where cost, constraints, or environment require self-organized solutions
 - Will be interconnected with the Internet and cellular networks

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Mobile Computing to Pervasive Computing









Mesh Network Scenario











Why not existing routing protocol

 Existing routing protocol search for shortest path not guarantee any QoS.









Traffic aggregation of existing flow







802.11 Bandwidth Estimation







Markov chain model



Wire Fig. 3. Markov chain model for the backoff window size.









Energy constraint of sensor network

- Battery-equipped, limited energy
- Remote environment, re-charge is hard



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Spatial correlation among measured data



Correlated data encoding for energy efficiency

- Exploit spatial correlation to encode measured data to reduce amount of information.
- Explicit communication approach proposed by Razvan Cristescu et al. IEEE/ACM Trans. On Networking 2006.









Explicit communication approach

H(X_i) is entropy of random variable X_i, and represents the amount of information.



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Joint optimization of rate allocation and routing path









Personal Communications have been the dominant paradigm so far, but mobile ad hoc networks open new possibilities, such as the communication between objects







Survey of Ad hoc Researches





Reading



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Agenda



- Overview of Mobile Ad Hoc Networks
- Major Technical challenges:
 - Networking
 - Real time services
 - Software
- Long-term Research Project:
 - Terminodes Projects





Cellular based



GSM Network Infrastructure

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Ad-hoc network

- No centralized controller (base stations)
- No wired inter-connection backbone
- Forwarding function should be provided by mobile nodes

















Mobility in Wireless LANs: Mobile IP









Introduction



Self-Organized Mobile Ad Hoc Networks



Overview (MANET)

- Packet Radio Networks ('70)
 - Research Results
 - Radio Resource Allocation
 - Network Organization
 - An Individual, handheld device
 - Military application (provide person-to-person communications on the battlefield)





MANET



- Potential Applications:
 - Manmade disasters
 - Relief operation
 - Military applications
 - Car-based networks
 - Sensor networks
 - The Provision of wireless connectivity in remote areas
 - Collaborative Computing, Video Conferences







MANET, Peculiarities

- They can act independent of any provider
- They have to be highly cooperative: The tasks are distributed over the nodes
- Any operation is the result of the collaboration of a group of them
- The nodes rely on batteries for their energy, energy saving
- Power aware: the set of functions offered by a node depends on its available power
- Highly dynamic topology
- Security is difficult to implement







Technical Issues

- Routing
- Mobility Management
- IP Address
- Transport Layer
- Air Interface
- Security
- Power Management
- Standards and Products






Routing



- Ad hoc routing
 - Different from traditional solutions in the Internet or cellular phone networks (relative stable, distributed routing databases)
 - IETF (The Internet Engineering Task Force) MANET address the challenge
 - Distant vector, links state, source routing (table driven, on-demand)
 - Geographic methods: nodes are informed of their own geographic position







Routing Protocol

- Traditional Routing
 - Distance Vector (Bellman Ford)
 - Link State
- Ad Hoc Routing Protocols
 - DSDV
 - DSR
 - AODV
 - TORA





Traditional Routing

- Distance Vector (Table Driven)
 - Each node maintains its own routing table
 - Routing table contains

 destination node index next hop metric 	A B-A-1	B A-B-1 C-B-1	C B-C-1	
 Periodic routing table exchange 	B-B-1 C-B-2	A-B-1 C-B-1	B-B-1 A-B-2	
 Disadvantage 	0	1	2	
 Count-Infinity Problem Convergence Problem 	X	1	2	
	X	3	2	
	X	3	4	
	X	5	4	
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Traditional Routing (Cont.)

- Link State Routing
- Procedures
 - Neighbor Discovery
 - Routing Information Broadcast
 - Shortest Path Finding (e.g. Dijkstra's algorithm)
- Disadvantage
 - short-live looping problem





Ad Hoc Routing - DSDV

DSDV

- Destination Sequence Distance Vector Routing
- Each route information is labeled with a increasing sequence number
 - Route info. with greatest number will be update
- Route info. of broken link is broadcast with odd sequence one greater than the original sequence number
- Contribution
 - Main contribution of DSDV is freedom-loop guarantee
- Disadvantage
 - The periodic broadcast adds the overhead into the network



Ad Hoc Routing - DSR

DSR

- Dynamic Source Routing
- Route Discovery
 - Source node flooding routing request (RREQ) packet
 - Destination (inter-node) node reply RREP packet that piggybacks the route info.
 - Source node caches the route info
- Route Maintenance
 - The route info. will be remove after receiving RERR packet
- Advantage
 - Requires no periodical routing exchange
- Disadvantage
 - packet is larger because of carrying route info.



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Routing in ad hoc network environmen





Routing in heterogeneous environment







Heterogeneous Network Support

Use of Interface Indices in DSR





Internet Interconnection and Mobile IP

 DSR support the seamless interoperation between an ad hoc network and the Internet





On Demand Support Multicast & QoS





Bandwidth (QoS) Parameters

Multicast Join



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Ad Hoc Routing - AODV

- AODV
 - Ad-hoc On-demand Distance Vector
 - Shares the advantages of DSR and distance vector
 - Route Discovery
 - Similar to DSR
 - Route Maintenance Table Entry
 - Destination IP, Destination Sequence, Hop Count, Next Hop, Life Time
 - The route info. Is invalid if
 - Life Time is expired
 - Receive RERR packet



Ad Hoc Routing - TORA

- TORA
 - Temporally-Ordered Routing Algorithm
 - Routing procedures
 - Flood QUERY packet
 - UPDATE packet will be broadcast from destination or inter-node
 - HEIGHT info. is appended to UPDATE packet
 - the node receives UPDATE packet set its height and the forwarding UPDATE packet's height to a value one greater than original one
 - Source node send data to the destination via neighbor that have lower height with respect to the destination
- Advantage
 - Minimizes the reaction due to changes of network topology
- Disadvantage
 - Depend on Internet MANET encapsulation Protocol, the overhead is large

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Ad Hoc Routing - TORA (Cont.)



Directed acyclic graph rooted at destination



ABR (Associativity-Based Routing)

- ABR considers the stability of a link.
 - The metric is called degree of association stability.
- Basic Idea:
 - Each node periodically generates a beacon to signify its existence.
 - On receipt of the beacon, a neighboring node will increase the "tick" of the sender by 1.
 - A higher degree of association stability (i.e., ticks) may indicate a low mobility of that node.
 - A low degree of association stability may indicate a high mobility of that node.
 - When a link becomes broken, the node will set the tick of the other node to 0.



ABR Outline



- Route Discovery:
 - (similar to DSR)
 - On needing a route, a host will broadcast a ROUTE_REQUEST packet.
 - Each receiving host will append its address to the packet.
 - The association stability (represented by "ticks") is also appended in the ROUTE_REQUEST packet.
 - The destination node will select the best route (in terms of association stability), and then respond a packet to the source.





- Route Reconstruction:
 - On route error, a node will perform a local search in hope of rebuild the path.
 - If the local search fails, a ROUTE_ERROR will be reported to the source.



Mobility Management

- Broadcasting a paging message the whole network: won't scale well
- Different from centralized servers (either HLR in GSM), location must be distributed among the nodes
- Prediction of the future locations



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Radio Interface



CSMA/CA: hidden terminal



 Defining master and slaves roles: Bluetooth



MACA/PR



- The key component
 - the MAC protocol for data transmission
 - Reservation scheme for real-time connection setup
 - QoS Routing algorithm



MACA/PR - MAC



- Data-gram Traffic
 - RTS CTS PKT ACK
 - <RTS,CTS> for hidden terminal avoidance, ACK for retransmission
- Real-Time Traffic
 - < RTS CTS > PKT ACK
 - <RTS,CTS> used for first time transmission to set up the reservation
 - ACK for renewing the reservation, not recovery



MACA/PR - Reservation/QoS Routing

- CYCLE is the max. interval allowed between two real-time packets
- Each node maintains its own reservation table
- DSDV routing is employed
- Bandwidth info. can be easily obtained via reservation table





MACA/PR - Properties

- Asynchronous approach
- Low latency, low packet loss rate
 - Hidden Terminal Problem is solve automatically
- Fair bandwidth sharing
- Good mobility handling
 - Maintain secondary routing path
- Low implementation costs







Cluster TDMA





Within each cluster: time-slotted frame





Cluster MACA









The Paradigm Shift and Some Open Research Questions



MANET



Terminodes Projects

- Large scale self-organized mobile ad hoc networks
- All layers and interlay interactions
 - From physical layer up to software architecture and applications
- Try to capture the business and societal potential
- Three levels:
 - Technical challenges
 - Intellectual fantasy
 - Societal/political vision



Terminodes



- Networking Issues
 - Scalability
- Virtual Currency
 - Obligation
- Real Time Services
 - QoS







Networking Issues





Routing for Terminode

- Each Terminode has
 - A permanent unique node identier, EUI (End System Unique Identifier)
 - Location-Dependent Address (LDA)
- Geodesic Packet Forwarding:
 - The packet is forwarded to the neighbor closest to the direction in which the destination is located
- Terminode local routing
 - MANET routing (link State, Distance Vector, Source Routing)



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Networking Issues





Virtual Currency (Nuglet)

- Service Availability is a major requirement for self-organization
- The End users must be given incentive to cooperate
- They must be encouraged to not overload the network







Multiple description coding





Real-Time Services over Ad hoc Networks

- Real-Time Services
 - Voice or video over ad hoc networks
 - Unreliable <-> stringent delay
 - Large error , node failure
- Redundancy, error correction codes over parallel connections



Software Aspects

- Software implementations:
 - Base software: Routing algorithms, accounting system and security system
 - Application software: Software that makes a collection of terminodes useful for a client
 - Flexible software architectures
- Resource Allocations
 - Contract
 - Loader
 - Dynamic checks




Discussions



Three Networks:

- Telecom networks
- The Internet
- Self-Organized Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

Network	Infrastructure	Security	Applications
Telecom networks	Telcos	Telcos	Telcos (IN)
Internet	ISPs + telcos	ISPs + users (PGP)	Users
Self-org. ad hoc NW	Users + vendors	Users + vendors	Users

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