### Wireless Networks II: Mesh Network Routing



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#### Wireless Mesh Networks: Motivation

- Most wireless network traffic goes through APs
- Mesh networks remove this restriction
  - Multiple paths between most pairs: Mesh topology
- Big Impact: Home Mesh, Satellite/Balloon Internet



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  - Broken link
- 2. Destination Sequenced Distance-Vector Routing (DSDV)
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#### Distance Vector Routing: Review

- Every node maintains a *routing table*
  - For each *destination* node in the mesh:
    - The number of hops to reach the destination (metric)
    - The next node on the path towards the destination
- All nodes periodically, locally broadcast routing table, learn about every destination in network



D joins the network



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- D's broadcast first updates C's table with new entry for D



- Now C broadcasts its routing table
  - B and D hear and add new entries, incrementing metric



- Now B broadcasts its routing table
  A and C been and add new entries if show
  - A and C hear and add new entries, if shorter route



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#### Distance Vector - Broken Link

• Suppose link  $C \leftarrow \rightarrow D$  breaks



#### Distance Vector - Broken Link

- 1. C hears no advertisement from D for a timeout period
  - C sets D's metric to  $\infty$



#### Distance Vector - Broken Link

- 1. C sets D's metric to  $\infty$
- 2. B broadcasts its routing table
  - C now accepts B's entry for D (3 <  $\infty$ )



## Broken Link: Counting to Infinity

- 1. C sets D's metric to  $\infty$
- 2. B broadcasts its routing table
- 3. C broadcasts its routing table
  - **B** accepts C's new metric (B's previous next-hop was C)



## Broken Link: Counting to Infinity

- 1. C sets D's metric to  $\infty$
- 2. B broadcasts its routing table
- 3. C broadcasts its routing table
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  - A, C accept B's new metric (previous next-hops: B)



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#### Destination Sequenced Distance-Vector (DSDV) Routing

- Guarantees loop freeness
- New routing table information: Sequence number
  - Sequence number is per-destination
    - Originated by destination
  - Included and propagated in routing advertisements

Destination	Next	Metric	Seq. Nr
Α	Α	0	550
В	В	1	102
C	В	3	588
D	В	4	312

#### DSDV: Route Advertisement Rule

#### Rules to set sequence number:

- Just before node N's broadcast advertisement:
   Node N sets:
  - Seq(N)  $\leftarrow$  Seq(N) + 2
- Node N thinks neighbor P is no longer directly reachable
  - Node N sets:
    - Seq(P)  $\leftarrow$  Seq(P) + 1
    - Metric(P)  $\leftarrow \infty$

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### DSDV: Routing Table Update Rule

#### <u>Rules to update routing table entry:</u>

• Node N gets routing advertisement from neighbor Node P:



- Update routing table entry for node E when:
  - Seq(E) in P's advertisement > Seq(E) in N's table

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• B next broadcasts its routing table



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## Dynamic Source Routing (DSR)

- No periodic "beaconing" from all nodes
- When node S wants to send a packet to node D (but doesn't know a route to D), S initiates a route discovery
- S network-floods a *Route Request (RREQ)* 
  - Each node appends its own id when forwarding RREQ



Represents a node that has received RREQ for D from S



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



#### Represents transmission of RREQ

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



Represents transmission of RREQ

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

## Route Reply in DSR

- On receiving first RREQ, D sends a Route Reply (RREP)
  - RREP sent on route obtained by reversing the route in the received RREQ
  - RREP includes the route from S to D over which D received the RREQ



## Dynamic Source Routing (DSR)

- On receiving RREP, S caches route included therein
- When S sends a data packet to D, includes entire route in packet header
- Intermediate nodes use the source route included in packet to determine to whom packet should be forwarded



### Summary

DV reacts poorly to link failures, which are frequent in wireless

• DSDV is a proactive routing protocol, DSR reactive

- Enable wireless mesh routing, w/appl. in recent/future
  - Home mesh products
  - Satellite internet service providers
  - Balloon/UAV internet service providers