

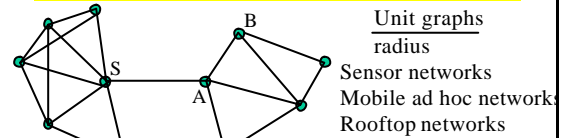
## Broadcasting (flooding) algorithms in wireless (ad hoc) networks

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## Multi-hop wireless networks



**Broadcasting = Flooding =**

sending message from one node S to all other nodes

**One-to-all** and **one-to-one** networks

**Blind flooding** = message retransmitted once by each node **one-to-all** / each edge **one-to-one**

Power efficiency ? Retransmission by A and B suffices

## Broadcasting - applications

- Alarm signal
- Route discovery in non-GPS routing
- Paging
- Destination search in GPS routing:
  - Source S *broadcasts* short message that will search for destination D
  - Destination D will *route* back to S with a short message location report
  - S will *route* full message to D
- Location updates for routing, geocasting, ...

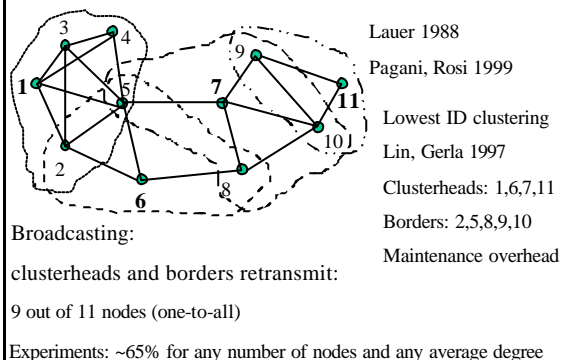
## Broadcasting in one-to-all model

- Centralized vs. **localized** decisions ?
- **Average** or worst case performance analysis ?
- **Localized maintenance** or chain effect ?
- **Deterministic** or stochastic decisions ?
- Guaranteed delivery **yes** = **reliable** (if MAC ideal) or no ?
- Set of transmitting nodes depends on source?
  - yes / **no** (stable sets allow scheduling active periods = scheduling node activity problem)
- **Assumptions** about local knowledge:
  - 1-hop neighbors,
  - 1-hop neighbors + degree of neighbors,
  - location of 1-hop neighbors,
  - 2-hop neighbors

## Dominating set = transmitting nodes

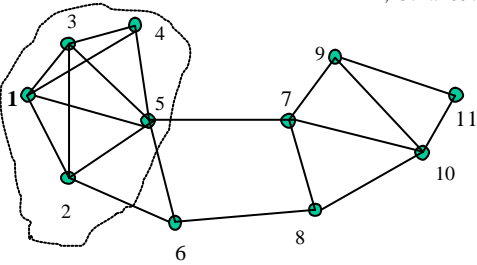
- Each node is either in dominating set or is a neighbor of a node from dominating set
- Broadcasting by retransmitting from nodes in a *connected dominating set*
- Each node receives the message if retransmissions are collision-free
- Finding (connected) dominating sets of minimal size is NP-complete problem (centralized)
- Find connected dominating set of small size by a localized algorithm
- Deterministic: Clustering, covering, forwarding neighbors

## Broadcasting via clustering one-to-all



## Lowest ID clustering – first cluster

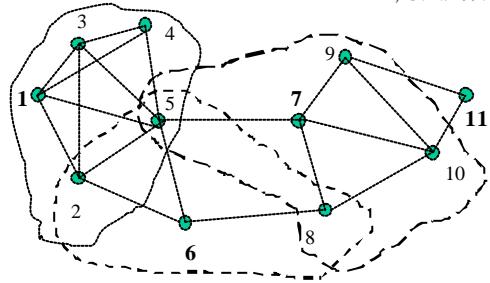
Lin, Gerla 1997



Clusterhead = lowest ID among undecided neighbors next?

## Lowest ID clustering – second and third clusters

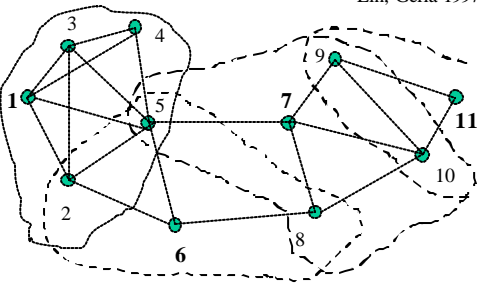
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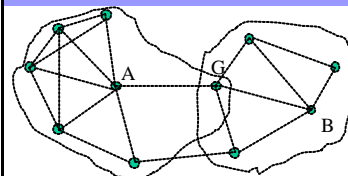
next ?

## Lowest ID clustering – fourth cluster

Lin, Gerla 1997



## Improved clustering for broadcasting



ConID=(degree, id) Clusterheads=

higher degree nodes, lower id if degrees same

Clusterheads: A, B; border: G - Retransmission by 3 out of 11 nodes

Experiments: ~52% for any number of nodes and any degree

ConID/LowestID ~80%

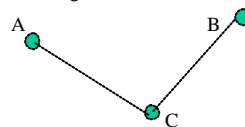
## Chain effect with clustering

- Mobility or change in the activity status of a single node may trigger global update of cluster structure
- Localized algorithm but not localized maintenance
- Localized maintenance is preferred
- Set of border nodes in cluster structure can be reduced (with some overhead)

## Broadcast storm problem

Redundancy, collision, contention:

Ni, Tseng, Chen, Sheu MOBILECOM 1999



Hidden terminal problem:  
collision at C

**RE**: ratio of connected nodes receiving message

**SRB**: ratio of nodes that do not retransmit the message

**RE**achability and **S**aved **RE**roadcasts

## Probabilistic, counter, distance, location and cluster based broadcasting

Ni, Tseng, Chen, Sheu MOBICOM 1999

(delivery not guaranteed even for collision free broadcasting!)

*Probabilistic*: retransmit with fixed probability  $p$

*Counter-based*: retransmit if  $< C$  copies received

*Distance-based*: retransmit if distance to each transmitting neighbor  $> D$

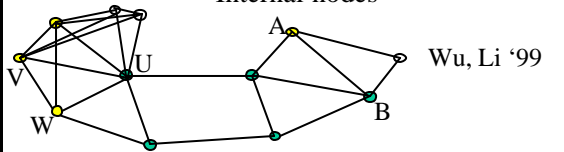
*Location-based*: retransmit if additional area ratio  $> A$   
best (GPS advantage) but SRB low for RE  $> 80\%$

*Cluster based*: reduce above methods to clusterheads and borders

## Stochastic flooding broadcast

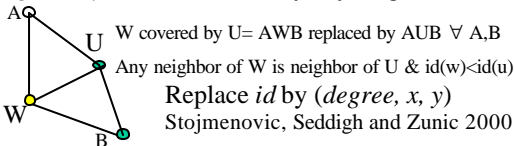
- Cartigny, Simplot and Carle 2002, 4 schemes:
- Probability  $p$  for retransmitting is inversely proportional to local density
- Distance between two nodes is evaluated by comparing their neighbor lists;  $p$  increases with the distance, in favor of nodes at the border of senders
- $p$  depends on both local density and distance
- Plus neighbor elimination is applied: no retransmission if no neighbor exists that did not hear the same message already

## Connected dominating sets by covering = Internal nodes



Wu, Li '99

*Intermediate node* = has two unconnected neighbors (yellow circle)  
*inter-gateway* = + not covered by any neighbor (blue circle)



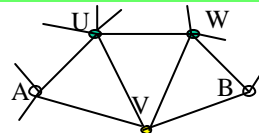
W covered by  $U = AUB$  replaced by  $AUB \forall A, B$

Any neighbor of W is neighbor of U &  $id(w) < id(u)$

Replace *id* by (*degree*,  $x$ ,  $y$ )

Stojmenovic, Seddigh and Zunic 2000

## Gateway nodes



Wu, Li '99

Gateway = inter-gateway + not covered by 2 nodes

V covered by U and W iff

Any neighbor of V  $\rightarrow$  neighbor of U or W &

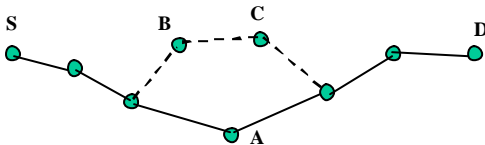
$V(\text{degree}, x, y) < \min(U(\text{degree}, x, y), W(\text{degree}, x, y))$

Internal nodes maintenance:

non-GPS (update list of neighbors of each neighbor)

GPS: update location of all neighbors

## Internal nodes are connected



Nodes on shortest path between S and D are all *intermediate*

If A on the shortest path is not gateway then A is covered by two gateway nodes B and C – S and D remain connected

*Intergateway nodes* – coverage by one other node

*Dominating set*: S and D linked to internal nodes

## Generalized covering rule

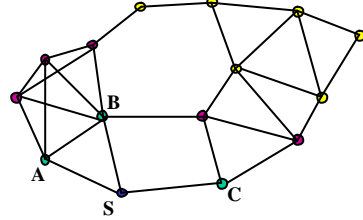
- Dai and Wu 2002
- Each node finds connected components of the subgraph induced by its neighboring nodes
- Node A is not internal if there exist one component so that every neighbor of A is a neighbor of at least one node from the component, and the *key* of A is lower than the *key* of any node in the component
- *Id* used as *key* by Dai and Wu, can be replaced by *degree*, attached to any message from given node
- Localized maintenance, stable selection

## Power-aware connected dominating set

- Wu, Dai, Gao, Stojmenovic, Wu 2001-2
- $Key = (energy, degree, x, y, id)$
- Nodes with more energy are preferred in dominating set, which may change in time
- Routes through nodes in dominating set only
- Broadcasting by nodes in dominating set
- Nodes in dominating set are active = scheduling node activity

## Multipoint relaying

Qayyum, Viennot, Laouiti 2000



S: source or relay point of retransmitting node

Find minimal set of 1-hop neighbors that covers all 2-hop neighbors of S: B and C (relays of S)

Heuristics: B: 4, A: 2, C: 2, choose B; A: 0, C: 0, choose C

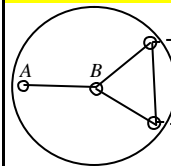
## internal -clustering-multipoint relay

Percentage of retransmitting nodes for 100 nodes

Degree= average number of node's neighbors

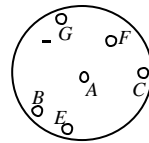
Method/degree	4	6	8	10
lowestID	67	61	67	64
ConID	<b>50</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>54</b>
intermediate	80	88	92	95
Inter-gateway	65	67	69	70
gateway	<b>60</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>45</b>
Multipoint relay	60	60	61	63

## Neighbor elimination



Problem in [NTCS]:

Node A retransmits in all methods but has no neighbor in need of message



Node A eliminates neighbors E and F from its neighboring list;

A retransmits because of G

August 2000: independently

Peng, Lu and Stojmenovic, Seddigh

## Simulation with MAC IEEE 802.11

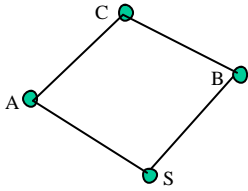
- 100 nodes in  $[0, m]^2$   $R=500$  meters  $m=sR$ ,  $s=1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11$  [NTCS]  $d \sim 97, 25, 10, 6, 3.5, 3, 2.4$
- Bit rate 1M/sec, slot time 20us (microsec), packet size 280bits or  $p \sim 127$  slots; no ack [NTCS]
- A receives packet, waits DIFS ( $\sim 2$ ) slots, chooses random backoff counter BC in  $[0, 31]$
- $BC = \#$  of transmission free slots as sensed by A
- $BC=0 \rightarrow$  A transmits continuously for  $p$  slots
- One broadcast message in the network
- Network static while broadcasting is in progress

## Internal nodes + neighbor elimination

All methods: **RE > 94%**

	dense		medium		sparse	
SRB	1x1	3x3	5x5	7x7	9x9	11x11
Inter-gatew.	97	32	29	34	37	43
gateway	98	76	54	45	41	45
Neigh.Elim.	57	11	14	22	30	45
Int.gat+NE	99	39	36	40	43	54
Gatew.+NE	99	81	60	49	47	55

## Broadcasting with 100% delivery ?



Problem with low delay  $\leq 31$  slots  
and long message length  $p=127$  slots:  
S transmits to A and B simultaneously  
Retransmissions from A and B  
collide at C

### Toward guaranteed delivery RE=100%

**RANA**: Retransmissions After Negative Acknowledgements  
from nodes that experienced collisions but recognized sender

Experiments: over 98% delivery in all cases, SRB -10% or <

## Ongoing work

- Stojmenovic 2000: Forward message to nodes that are further than itself from source, and to closer neighbors that did not transmit within time limits
- Rogers 2001: A forward message received from B to neighbors C for which the angle BAC is  $> T$  (threshold value) – not reliable
- Lou and Wu 2002: forward node set based broadcast in clustered mobile ad hoc networks
- Multipoint relaying = selecting forwarding neighbors variants: Lim and Kim 2000, Calinescu, Mandoiu, Wan and Zelikovsky 2001, Sun and Lai 2001, Lou, Wu 2002
- Covering for unidirectional links: Wu 2002

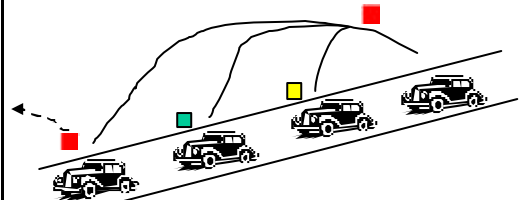
## Relevant problems

- Broadcasting with multi-channels Basagni 2000
- Choose transmission radius at each node so that network is connected and sum of transmission powers is minimized:  
Wieselthier, Nguyen and Ephremides 2000,  
Wan, Calinescu, Li, Frieder 2001, Clementi, Penna, Silvestri, Crescenzi 2001
- Select minimal set of sensors so that every point in a given area is monitored by at least one sensor  
Tian and Georganas, 2002

## Inter-vehicle communication

Sun, Feng, Lai, Yamada, Okada 2000

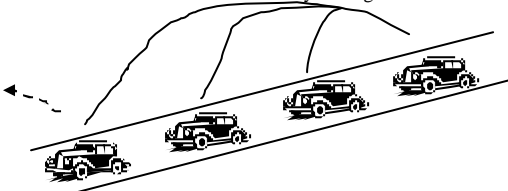
- Learn neighboring cars on the same highway and direction
- include ID of furthest neighbor in the transmitted message
- furthest neighbor retransmits



## Inter-vehicle communication with GPS

Sun, Feng, Lai, Yamada, Okada 2000

- Include LOCATION with the message
- defer time inversely proportional to distance from vehicle
- discard neighbors covered by any of transmissions
- retransmit at end of defer time if any of neighbors is not covered



## Broadcasting in one-to-one networks

Heinzelman, Kulik, Balakrishnan MOBICOM 1999:

Each node sends *short* message to **all** its neighbors  
*Long* messages are sent to neighbors that request it

Subramanian, Katz 2000:

Construct and maintain a spanning tree  
No short messages but maintenance overhead

## Reducing broadcast search

Reduce number of short messages by using  
**internal nodes** and **planar subgraphs**



**I-broadcast**: edges between internal nodes + # non-internal

**P-broadcast**: edges of planar subgraph (e.g. RNG)

**IP-broadcast**: internal nodes, planar subgraph on it

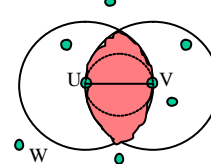
**PI-broadcast**: planar subgraph, internal nodes on it

## Relative Neighborhood Graph

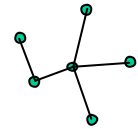
Minimize # of edges in connected subgraph

*Planar graphs*: no two edges intersect

Planar graphs with  $n$  nodes have at most  $3n-6$  edges



$UV \in \text{RNG}$  iff lune has no nodes



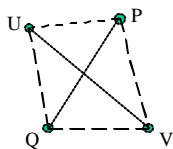
$\exists UWV < p/2$  for any  $W$   $P$  inside lune®  $PU < UV$  and  $PV < UV$

Experiments: average degree of a node is  $< 2.4$  for  $n=100$  nodes

RNG is planar and connected subgraph Toussaint 1980

## RNG is planar graph

Planar graph = no two edges intersect



Proof by contradiction: Assume

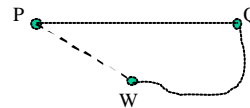
$UV, PQ \in \text{RNG}(S), UV \cap PQ$

$\rightarrow \angle PUQ < \pi/2, \angle PVQ < \pi/2,$

$\angle UPV < \pi/2, \angle UQV < \pi/2,$

$\rightarrow \text{Sum of angles in } UPVQ < 2\pi$

## RNG contains Minimal Spanning Tree



By contradiction: Assume

$PQ \in \text{MST}, PQ \notin \text{RNG};$

$\rightarrow \exists W, PW < PQ$  and  $QW < PQ, PW \notin \text{MST}$

Replace  $PQ$  by  $PW$  in  $\text{MST}$

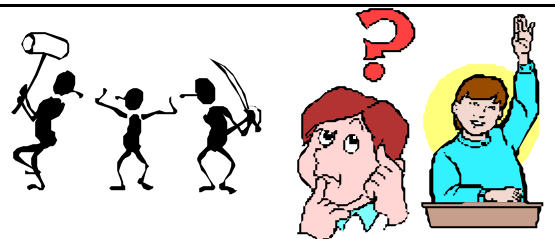
$\rightarrow$  new  $\text{MST}$  has smaller sum of edge lengths. contradiction

$\rightarrow \text{RNG is connected}$

## Performance in one-to-one networks

Percentage of edges for re-transmitting short messages for  $n=100$  nodes  $P=\text{RNG}$   $I=\text{gateway}$

Method/degree	4	5	7	9	15	40
P-broadcast	53	45	33	26	16	6
PI-broadcast	53	45	33	26	16	6
<b>IP-broadcast</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>
I-broadcast	61	52	41	35	21	6



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