Query Control Mechanisms for the Zone Routing Protocol (ZRP)

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Agenda

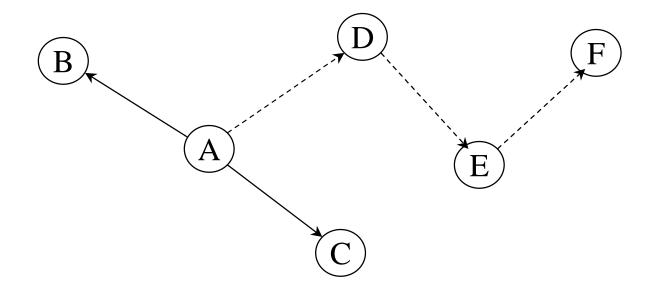
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Mobile Ad-Hoc Networking

◆ Rapidly deploy a regional (~ 100 m - 100 km) network of mobile hosts, anywhere.

- ◆ Why? Coordinate Efforts of Distributed Systems
 - military (battlefield communications)
 - law enforcement
 - construction
 - emergency response

Mobile Ad-Hoc Networking

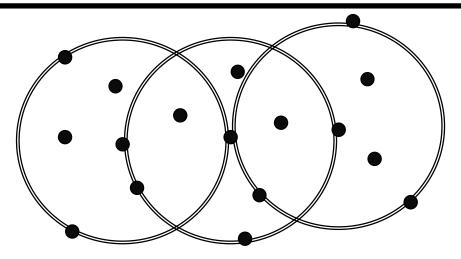


- no infrastructure!
- short range direct communication: A-B, A-C
- nodes act as relays: multihop routing: A-D-E-F

Traditional Routing Schemes

- ◆ Proactive (i.e. distance vector, link state)
 - maintain up-to-date view of network
 - extremely high traffic
 - most routes are not used
- ◆ Reactive (i.e. route query response)
 - acquire routes on demand
 - high traffic
 - route query delays

A Hybrid Approach: Introducing the Routing Zone



Each node:

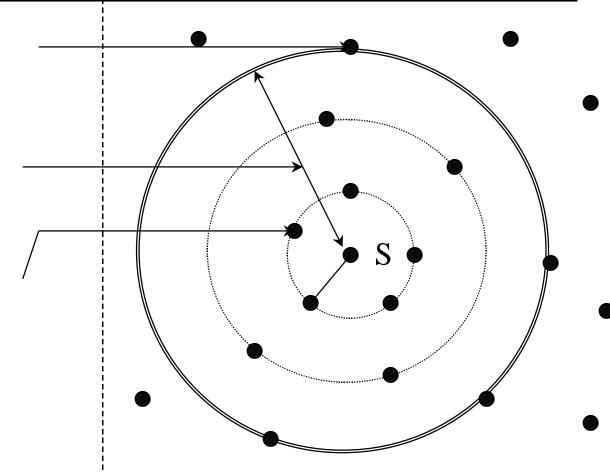
- ◆ **Proactively** tracks topology within its own routing zone
- ◆ **Reactively** acquires routes to nodes beyond routing zone by querying <u>between</u> overlapping zones

Anatomy of a Routing Zone

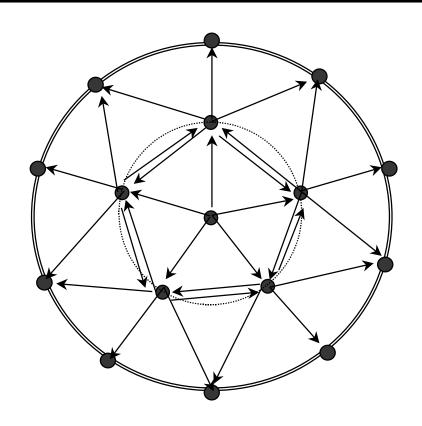
Peripheral Node

Routing Zone Radius: ρ (hops)

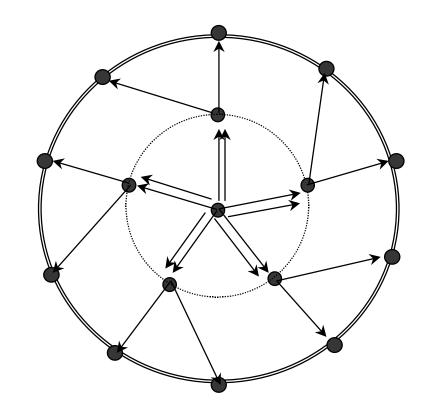
Neighbor Node



Bordercasting

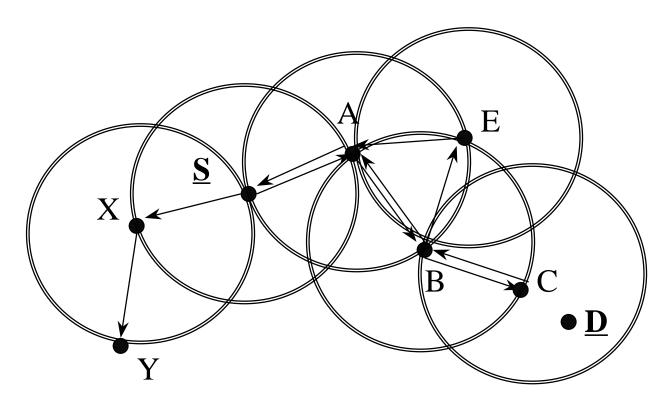


flooding: 30 transmissions



bordercasting: 20 transmissions

Route Discovery Example



1) S-X-Y: terminates because Y has no peripheral nodes

2) S-A-B-E-A: terminates because thread returned to A

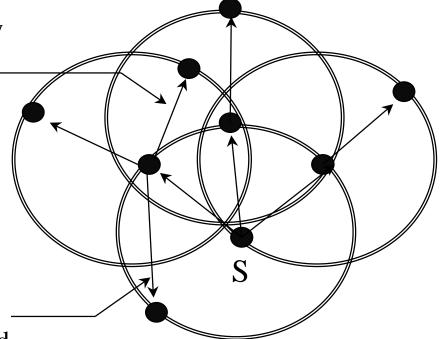
3) S-A-B-C: successful discovery!

Benefits of Routing Zones

- ◆ Proactive: maintain routing zone
 - routing traffic significantly reduced
 - routes used more often
- ◆ Reactive: query only peripheral nodes
 - fewer query packets
 - shorter query packets *
 - reduced delay
 - routes more robust

Routing Zones Overlap

thread enters a zone previously queried by another thread____



thread loops back onto a zone which it already queried.

Overlapping Zones May Lead to Excess Control Traffic

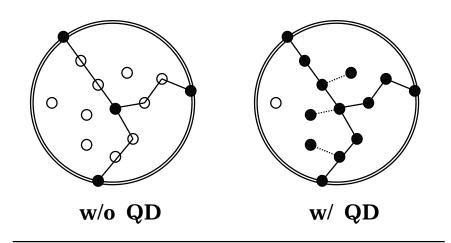
Encourage Outward Propagation of Queries

- ◆ Terminate threads that return to a queried <u>node</u> (not strong enough)
- ◆ Terminate threads that return to a queried <u>zone</u>
 - threads that loopback on themselves
 - threads that overlap with other threads
- ◆ Prevent overlap

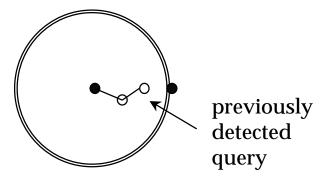
Query Control Mechanisms

Terminate threads when they appear in previously queried zones

Query Detection (QD)
 intermediate nodes can
 detect passing threads



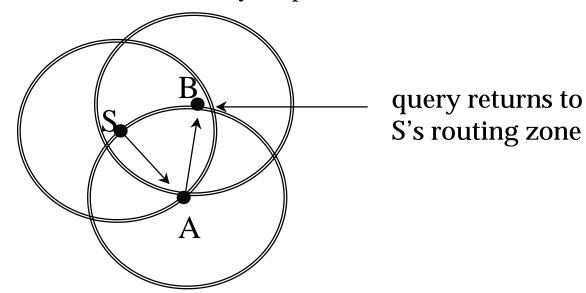
Early Termination (ET)
 intermediate nodes can terminate
 previously detected threads



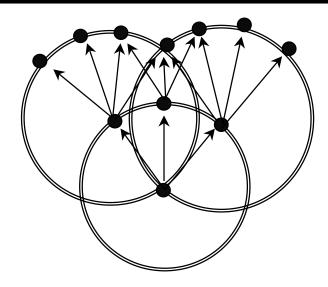
Query Control Mechanisms (cont'd)

Special Case: thread loops back on itself

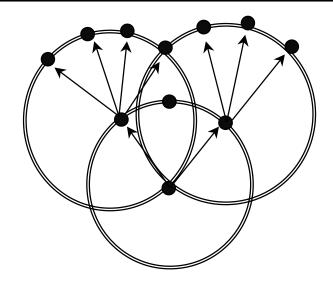
Loopback Termination (LT) (100% effective)
 use accumulated route to identify loopback condition



Query Overlap Prevention: Selective BorderCasting (SBC)



full bordercasting



selective bordercasting

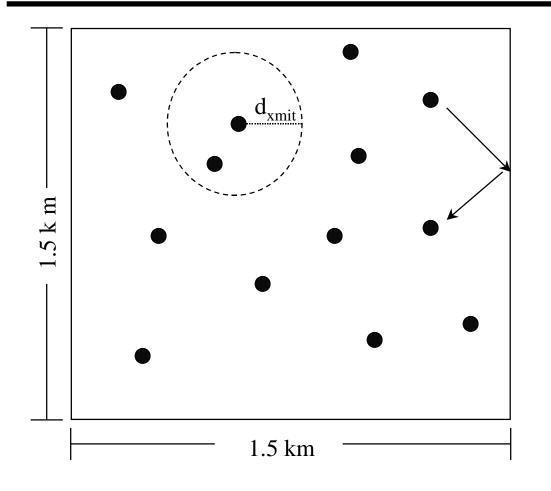
Cover a given set of "outer" peripheral nodes with the fewest "inner" peripheral nodes

Implementing Selective Bordercasting

- Extended Routing Zone (at least 2ρ hops):
- ◆ For each received query packet . . .
 - Compute "best" SBC assignment
 - Send SBC assignments

Do the benefits offset the cost?

Simulation Model



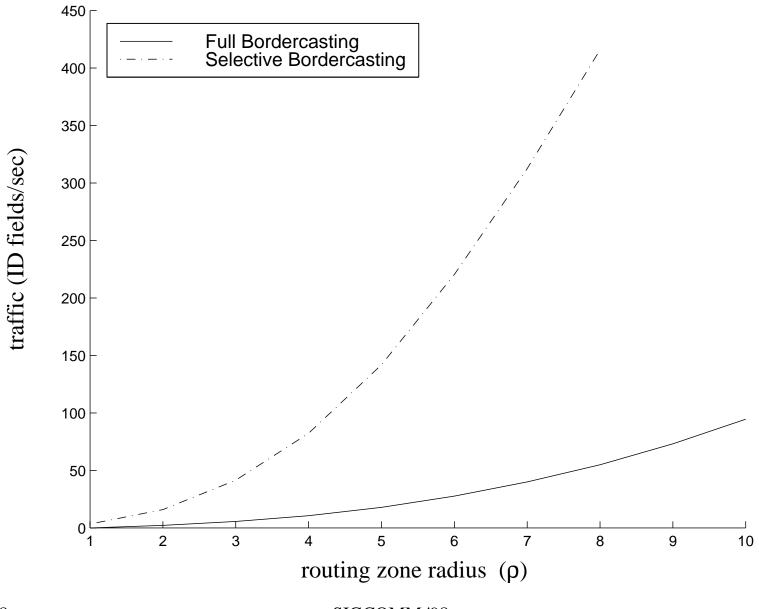
Static Simulation Parameters

d_{xmit}	100m
# nodes	500

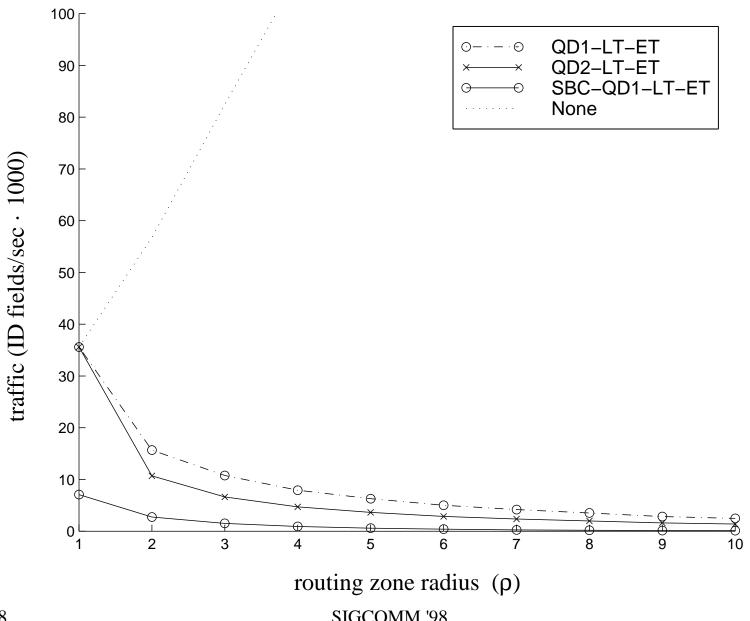
Variable Simulation Parameters

v	10 - 75 m/s
ρ	1-10 hops
R _{query}	0.1 - 10 queries/sec

IARP Traffic per m/s

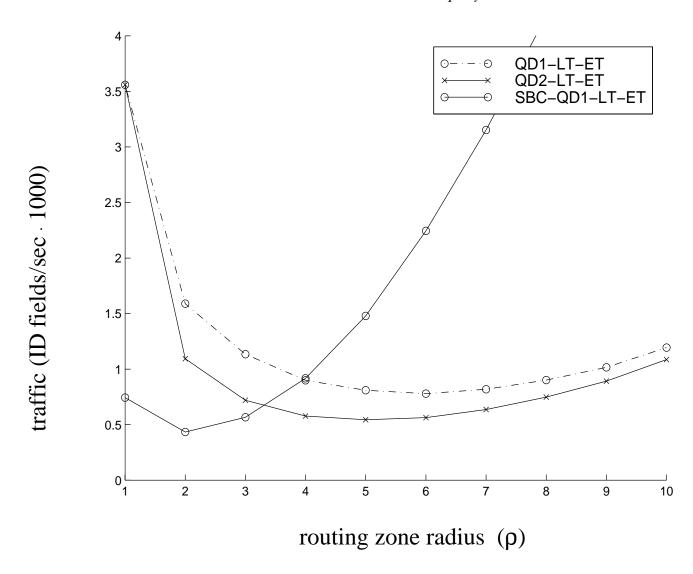


IERP Traffic per Route Discovery

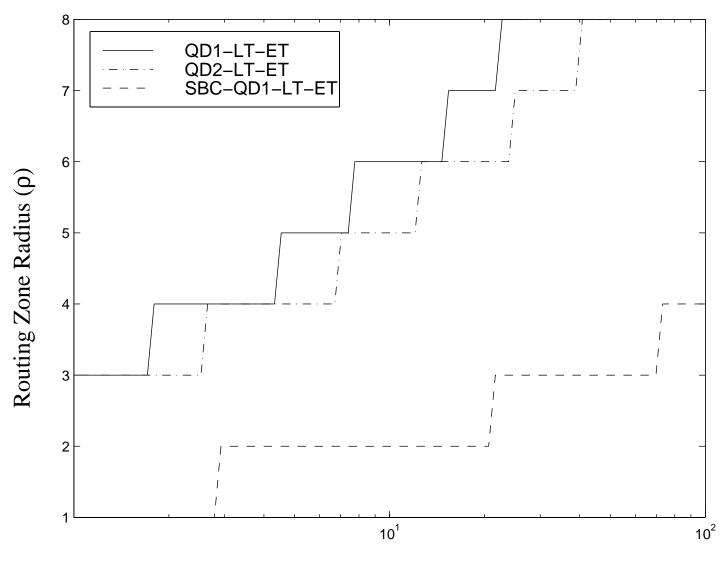


Total ZRP Control Traffic

v = 10 [m/sec] $R_{query} = 0.1 [query/sec]$



Optimal ZRP Configuration



Call to Mobility Ratio (CMR)

Conclusions

- ◆ ZRP can perform worse than flooding <u>without</u> proper query control mechanisms.
- QD, ET and LT provide significant improvements compared with purely reactive ($\rho = 1$) and purely proactive schemes ($\rho \rightarrow \infty$).
- ◆ Optimal ZRP radius is an increasing function of the Call-to-Mobility Ratio (CMR).
- ◆ Use of SBC depends on delay and computational complexity considerations.