Modelling and Verification of Protocols for Wireless Networks (Lecture 3)

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Contents of this Lecture

What should you have learnt

- A Case Study
 - how AWN can be used in "real life"
- Properties of Routing Protocols
 - liveness vs. safety properties
 - examples for routing
 - reachability vs. invariants





AODV (untimed) A Case Study for using AWN

Case Study: AODV

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+ [ (oip, rreqid) \notin rreqs ] /* the RREQ is new to this node */
   [[rt := update(rt,(oip, osn, kno, val, hops + 1, sip, \emptyset))]] /* update the route to oip in rt */
   [rreqs := rreqs \cup \{(oip, rreqid)\}] /* update rreqs by adding (oip, rreqid) */
      [dip = ip]
                      /* this node is the destination node */
          [sn := max(sn, dsn)] /* update the sqn of ip */
          /* unicast a RREP towards oip of the RREQ */
          unicast(nhop(rt,oip),rrep(0,dip,sn,oip,ip)). AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
           ► /* If the transmission is unsuccessful, a RERR message is generated */
             \llbracket \texttt{dests} := \{(\texttt{rip}, \texttt{inc}(\texttt{sqn}(\texttt{rt}, \texttt{rip}))) | \texttt{rip} \in \texttt{vD}(\texttt{rt}) \land \texttt{nhop}(\texttt{rt}, \texttt{rip}) = \texttt{nhop}(\texttt{rt}, \texttt{oip}) \} \rrbracket
             [[rt := invalidate(rt.dests)]]
             [[store := setRRF(store,dests)]]
             [[pre:=\bigcup{precs(rt,rip)|(rip,*) \in dests}]]
             \llbracket \texttt{dests} := \{(\texttt{rip},\texttt{rsn}) \mid (\texttt{rip},\texttt{rsn}) \in \texttt{dests} \land \texttt{precs}(\texttt{rt},\texttt{rip}) \neq \emptyset \} \rrbracket
              groupcast(pre,rerr(dests,ip)). AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
       + [dip \neq ip]
                          /* this node is not the destination node */
              [dip \in vD(rt) \land dsn \leq sqn(rt,dip) \land sqnf(rt,dip) = kno] /* valid route to dip that is fresh enough */
                 /* update rt by adding precursors */
                 [[rt := addpreRT(rt,dip,{sip})]]
                 [[rt := addpreRT(rt,oip,{nhop(rt,dip)})]]
                 /* unicast a RREP towards the oip of the RREO */
                  unicast(nhop(rt,oip),rrep(dhops(rt,dip),dip,sqn(rt,dip),oip,ip)).
```

Case Study: AODV



- Ad Hoc On-Demand Distance Vector Protocol
 - routing protocol for wireless mesh networks (wireless networks without wired backbone)
 - Ad hoc (network is not static)
 - On-Demand (routes are established when needed)
 - Distance (metric is hop count)
 - developed 1997-2001 by Perkins, Beldig-Royer and Das (University of Cincinnati)
 - one of the four protocols standardised by the IETF MANET working group (IEEE 802.11s)

Case Study

- Main Mechanism
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 - if node has information about a destination UNICAST RREP
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s is looking for a route to d























s has found a route to d

Case Study: AODV



- full specification of AODV (IETF Standard)
- specification details
 - around 5 types and 30 functions
 - around 120 lines of specification (in contrast to 43 pages English prose)

Main Process



Process 1 The basic routine
$AODV(ip, sn, rt, rregs, store) \stackrel{def}{=}$
1. receive(msg).
2. /* depending on the message, the node calls different processes */
3. (
4. [msg=newpkt(data,dip)] /* new DATA packet */
5. NEWPKT(data,dip,ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
6. $+ [msg = pkt(data, dip, oip)]$ /* incoming DATA packet */
7. PKT(data,dip,oip,ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
8. $+ [msg = rreq(hops, rreqid, dip, dsn, dsk, oip, osn, sip)]$ /* RREQ */
9. /* update the route to sip in rt */
10. $[[rt:=update(rt,(sip,0,unk,val,1,sip,\emptyset))]] /* 0 is used since no sequence number is known */$
RREQ(hops,rreqid,dip,dsn,dsk,oip,osn,sip,ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
12. $+ [msg = rrep(hops, dip, dsn, oip, sip)] /* RREP */$
13. /* update the route to sip in rt */
14. $\llbracket \texttt{rt} := \texttt{update}(\texttt{rt}, (\texttt{sip}, 0, \texttt{unk}, \texttt{val}, 1, \texttt{sip}, \emptyset)) \rrbracket$
15. RREP(hops,dip,dsn,oip,sip,ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
16. $+ [msg = rerr(dests, sip)] /* RERR */$
17. /* update the route to sip in rt */
18. $\llbracket \texttt{rt} := \texttt{update}(\texttt{rt}, (\texttt{sip}, 0, \texttt{unk}, \texttt{val}, 1, \texttt{sip}, \emptyset)) \rrbracket$
19. RERR(dests, sip, ip, sn, rt, rreqs, store)
20.)

Main Process (cont'd)



/* send a queued data packet if a valid route is known */ 21. + [Let dip \in qD(store) \cap vD(rt)] $[[data := head(\sigma_{queue}(store, dip))]]$ 22. **unicast**(nhop(rt,dip),pkt(data,dip,ip)). 23. [store := drop(dip,store)] /* drop data from the store for dip if the transmission was successful */ 24. AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store) 25. \blacktriangleright /* an error is produced and the routing table is updated */ 26. $[[dests := \{(rip, inc(sqn(rt, rip))) | rip \in vD(rt) \land nhop(rt, rip) = nhop(rt, dip) \}]$ 27. [[rt := invalidate(rt,dests)]] 28. [[store := setRRF(store,dests)]] 29. $[[pre:=\bigcup{precs(rt,rip)|(rip,*) \in dests}]]$ 30. $\llbracket \texttt{dests} := \{(\texttt{rip},\texttt{rsn}) | (\texttt{rip},\texttt{rsn}) \in \texttt{dests} \land \texttt{precs}(\texttt{rt},\texttt{rip}) \neq \emptyset \} \rrbracket$ 31. groupcast(pre,rerr(dests,ip)) . AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store) 32. + [Let dip \in qD(store) - vD(rt) $\land \sigma_{p-flag}($ store, dip) = req] /* a route discovery process is initiated */ 33. [store := unsetRRF(store,dip)] /* set request-required flag to no-req */ 34. [sn := inc(sn)]/* increment own sequence number */ 35. /* update rreqs by adding (ip,nrreqid(rreqs,ip)) */ 36. [[rreqid := nrreqid(rreqs,ip)]] 37. $\llbracket rreqs := rreqs \cup \{(ip, rreqid)\} \rrbracket$ 38. **broadcast**(rreq(0, rreqid, dip, sqn(rt, dip), sqnf(rt, dip), ip, sn, ip)). AODV(ip, sn, rt, rreqs, store) 39.

Route Reply

Process 5 RREP handling

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RREP(hops,dip,dsn,oip,sip,ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store) \stackrel{uo}{=}
 1. [rt \neq update(rt, (dip, dsn, kno, val, hops + 1, sip, \emptyset))]
                                                                         /* the routing table has to be updated */
       [rt := update(rt, (dip, dsn, kno, val, hops + 1, sip, \emptyset))]
  2.
  3.
                             /* this node is the originator of the corresponding RREQ */
          [oip = ip]
 4.
             /* a packet may now be sent; this is done in the process AODV */
  5.
             AODV(ip, sn, rt, rreqs, store)
  6.
          + [oip \neq ip]
                             /* this node is not the originator; forward RREP */
 7.
  8.
                [oip \in vD(rt)]
                                       /* valid route to oip */
 9.
                    /* add next hop towards oip as precursor and forward the route reply */
 10.
                    [[rt := addpreRT(rt,dip,{nhop(rt,oip)})]]
 11.
                    [[rt := addpreRT(rt,nhop(rt,dip),{nhop(rt,oip)})]]
 12.
                    unicast(nhop(rt,oip),rrep(hops+1,dip,dsn,oip,ip)).
 13.
                       AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
 14.
                    ► /* If the transmission is unsuccessful, a RERR message is generated */
 15.
                       \llbracket dests := \{(rip, inc(sqn(rt, rip))) | rip \in vD(rt) \land nhop(rt, rip) = nhop(rt, oip) \} \rrbracket
 16.
                       [[rt := invalidate(rt,dests)]]
 17.
                       [store := setRRF(store,dests)]
 18.
                       \llbracket pre := \bigcup \{ precs(rt, rip) | (rip, *) \in dests \} \rrbracket
 19.
                       [dests := \{(rip, rsn) | (rip, rsn) \in dests \land precs(rt, rip) \neq \emptyset \}]
 20.
                       groupcast(pre,rerr(dests,ip)).AODV(ip,sn,rt,rreqs,store)
 21.
                + [oip \notin vD(rt)]
                                          /* no valid route to oip */
 22.
                    AODV(ip, sn, rt, rreqs, store)
 23.
              )
 24.
 25.
    + [rt = update(rt, (dip, dsn, kno, val, hops + 1, sip, \emptyset))]
                                                                            /* the routing table is not updated */
 26.
       AODV(ip, sn, rt, rreqs, store)
 27.
```

Case Study: AODV - Analysis



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 - route correctness
 - loop freedom
 - route discovery
 - packet delivery

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(at least for some interpretations)

Case Study: Analysis



- Loop Freedom
 - invariant proof based on about 35 invariants, e.g.

If a route reply is sent by a node ip_c , different from the destination of the route, then the content of ip_c 's routing table must be consistent with the information inside the message.

$$N \xrightarrow{R:*\mathbf{cast}(\mathbf{rrep}(hops_c,dip_c,dsn_c,*,ip_c))}_{ip} N' \wedge ip_c \neq dip_c$$

$$\Rightarrow dip_c \in kD_N^{ip_c} \wedge \operatorname{sqn}_N^{ip_c}(dip_c) = dsn_c \wedge \operatorname{dhops}_N^{ip_c}(dip_c) = hops_c \wedge \operatorname{flag}_N^{ip_c}(dip_c) = \operatorname{val}_N^{ip_c}(dip_c) = \operatorname{val}_N^{ip_c}(dip_c)$$

• ultimately we defined quality on routes the quality strictly increases

$$dip \in vD_N^{ip} \cap vD_N^{nhip} \land nhip \neq dip \Rightarrow \xi_N^{ip}(rt) \sqsubset_{dip} \xi_N^{nhip}(rt)$$

 first rigorous and complete proof of loop freedom of AODV (for some interpretations)

Case Study: Analysis



- Loop Freedom
 - 5184 possible interpretations due to ambiguities
 - 5006 of these readings of the standard contain loops
 - 3 out of 5 open-source implementations contain loops
- Found other shortcomings
 - e.g. non-optimal routing information
 - we proposed solutions and proved them correct

Computer-Aided Verification



- Model Checking
 - quick feedback for development
 - cannot be used for full verification (yet)
- (Interactive) Theorem Proving
 - Isabelle/HOL
 - replay proofs
 - proof verification
 - robust against small changes in specification



Properties of Routing Protocols

Safety & Liveness



• Safety

something bad will never happen [Lamport77]

• Liveness

something good will eventually happen [Lamport77]

Examples for Routing Protocols



- route correctness
- loop freedom
- route discovery
- packet delivery

Proof principles



- Invariants
 - a condition that is true during the execution of a program, or during some portion of it
 - in Computation Tree Logic (CTL): $A G \varphi$ (same as $A \Box \varphi$)

- Reachability
 - a given program state can be reached
 - in CTL: $A F \varphi$ (same as $A \diamondsuit \varphi$)

Formalising Examples





CTL (Computation Tree Logic)

Objective



- Specify *branching time* properties: given a *computation tree*
- Define sets of trees (without enumerating ...)
- All trees are infinite
- Setting: branching time semantics and tree





$\forall n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator A





$\forall n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator A





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$\forall n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator A

 $\exists n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator E





$\forall n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator A

 $\exists n$ -rooted path in the tree: operator E

CTL – Syntax

- True is in CTL
- $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{P}$ is in CTL
- $P, Q \in CTL, \neg P \in CTL and P \land Q \in CTL$
- E X φ is in CTL if φ is in CTL
- A X φ is in CTL if φ is in CTL
- A (φ_1 UNTIL φ_2) is in CTL if $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathsf{CTL}$,
- E (φ_1 UNTIL φ_2) is in CTL if $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathsf{CTL}$,



CTL – Simple Semantics



State formulas only

- $\boldsymbol{s} \models \mathsf{EX}\varphi$, iff $\exists \boldsymbol{s'}, \boldsymbol{s} \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{s'}$ and $\boldsymbol{s'} \models \varphi$
- $s \models \mathsf{AX}\varphi$, iff $\forall s', s \longrightarrow s'$ and $s' \models \varphi$
- *s* ⊨ E(φ₁ UNTIL φ₂) iff

$$\exists \rho = \mathbf{s}_0 \cdots \mathbf{s}_k \cdots \in \mathbf{Runs}(\mathbf{s}), \begin{cases} \exists k \ge 0, \mathbf{s}_k \models \varphi_2 \\ \forall \mathbf{0} \le \mathbf{j} < \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{s}_j \models \varphi_1 \end{cases}$$

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• $s \models A(\varphi_1 \text{ UNTIL } \varphi_2)$ iff $\forall \rho = s_0 \cdots s_k \cdots \in Runs(s), \begin{cases} \exists k \ge 0, s_k \models \varphi_2 \\ \forall 0 \le j < k, s_j \models \varphi_1 \end{cases}$

Useful Derived Operators (1)



E F = E (True UNTIL =)







Useful Derived Operators (2)



A F = = A (*True* UNTIL =)

Useful Derived Operators (2)



A F = = A (*True* UNTIL =)



Useful Derived Operators (2)







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