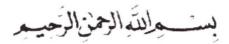
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ABSTRACT

An ad hoc network is an instantly deployable wireless network that does not require the services of any networking infrastructure such as base stations or routers. The key feature of these networks is their ease of deployment that makes it ideally suitable for battlefield, search and rescue and disaster relief operations. These networks can operate on a single-hop or multi-hop basis where nodes in the network are able to act as intermediaries (routers) for communications of other nodes.

Routing in ad hoc networks is nontrivial due to highly dynamic environment. In recent years several routing protocols targeted at mobile ad hoc networks are being proposed and prominent among them are DSDV, AODV, TORA, and DSR.

This project focus on the comprehensive analysis of Dynamic Source Routing protocol (DSR) using OPNET (Optimum Performance Network) modeler 10 simulator. OPNET, a well-known network simulation tool, is used to implement the design and conduct performance of DSR. In simulation, the protocol considered TCP as transport protocol. Results indicate that the performance of reactive routing protocol DSR is better than remaining protocols for TCP based on number of nodes in mobile ad hoc networks. DSR which uses source routing is the best among reactive routing protocols.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

An Ad Hoc Network is a wireless network that does not rely on any access point to handle transaction or communication between nodes in the coverage area. Intelligent signal is passes from one node to another until it reaches the destination. Meaning that, each node has an ability to receive the intelligent signal as well as route and pass it to another node until the destination node is reach. The ability of an ad hoc's node is optimizing if the node really fulfill the requirement wireless networking, which is mobility. Thus, the name Mobile Ad Hoc Network (MANET) is really suitable in order to describe how a wireless node really adopts the mobility trend in the dynamic human life style nowadays.

A mobile ad hoc network is as shown in figure 1.1

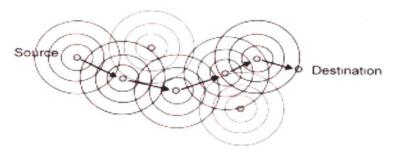


Figure 1.1 Mobile ad hoc network

In the next generation of wireless communication systems, there will be a need for the rapid deployment of independent mobile users. Significant examples include establishing survivable, efficient, dynamic communication for emergency/rescue operations, disaster relief efforts, and military networks. Such network scenarios cannot rely on centralized and organized connectivity, and can be conceived as