LANMAR+OLSR: A Scalable, Group Oriented Extension of OLSR

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OLSR

- Link State routing with *Multipoint Relays* (MPRs)
- Efficient in two ways:

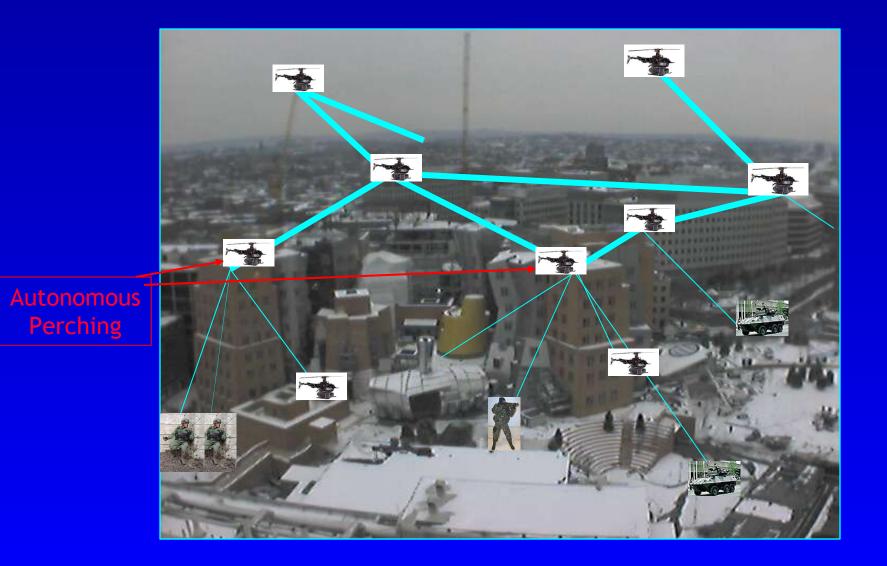
reduces the number of "superfluous" forwardings.

- reduces the size of LS updates.
- reduces table size
- Reductions are most effective with high nodal density

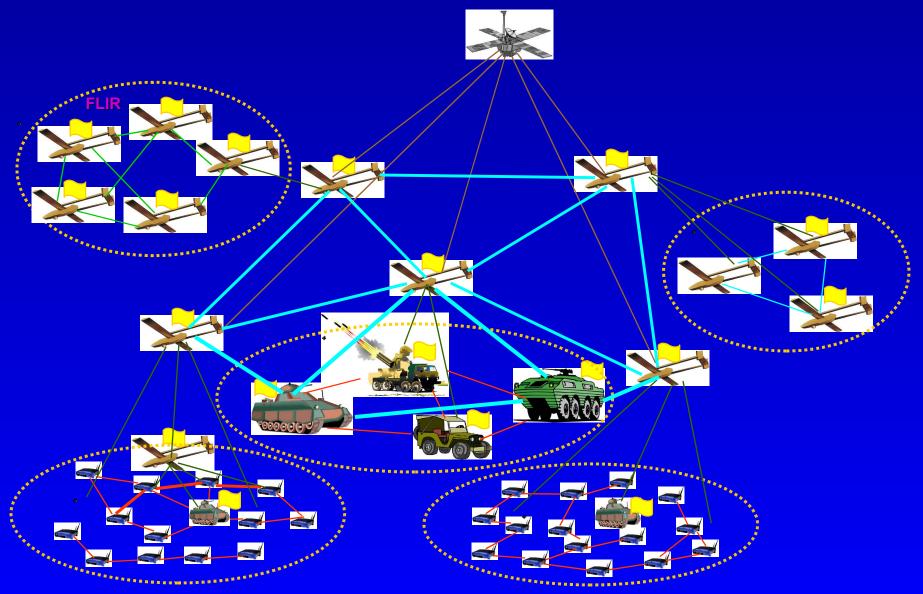
The AINS (Autonomous Intelligent Networked Systems) Program at UCLA

- 5 year research program (Dec 2000 Dec 2005) sponsored by ONR
- 7 Faculty Participants: 3 in CS Dept, 4 in EE Dept
- Goal: design a robust, self-configurable, scalable network architecture for intelligent, autonomous mobile agents

SWARM-enabled communications network



Example of Group Motion Oriented MANET



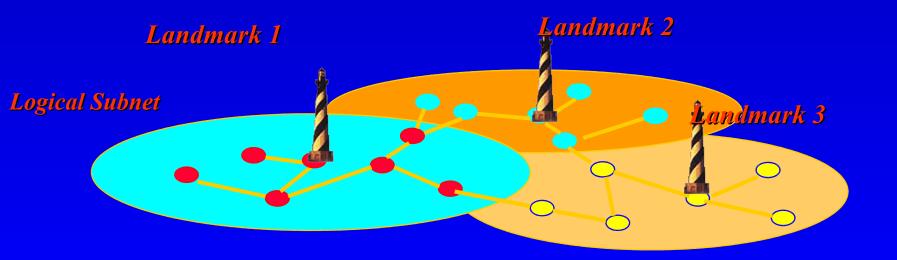
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Group Oriented Routing - LANMAR

Rationale:

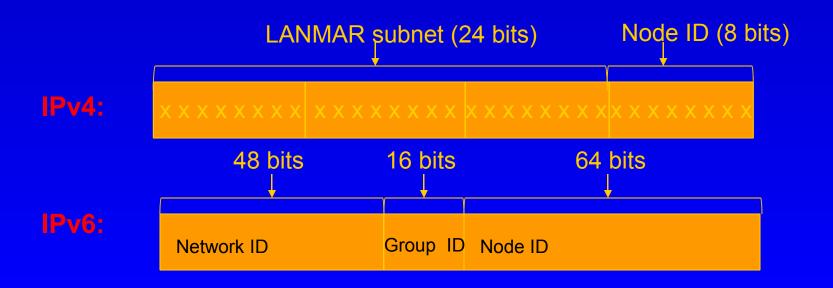
- keep loose track of groups (logical subnets)
 - Landmarks
- while keeping an accurate view of vicinity (N hops)
 - Local Scope



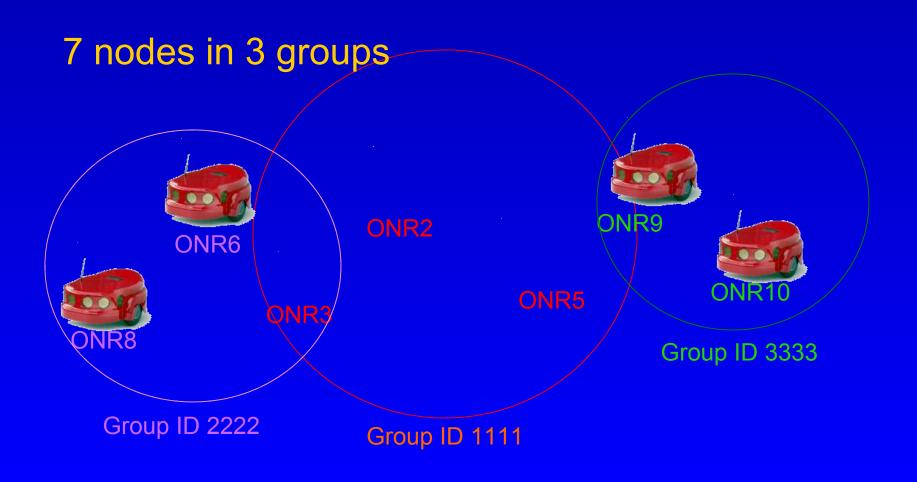
LANMAR for IPv6 environment

• Features:

- Use IPv6's Group ID to distinguish groups
- Support many more members in each group (than IPv4)



Phase 1: LANMAR IPv6 Testbed Demo



Snapshot of LANMAR IPv6 Routing Tables.

Local routing table

| Dest. | Prefix | Next Hop | Metric |
|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| fe80:0:0:1111::dad6 | 128 | :: | 0 |
| fe80:0:0:1111::4352 | 128 | fe80:0:0:1111::cf49 | 2 |
| | 128 | | |

Landmark routing table

| Landmark Address | Prefix | Next Hop | Metric |
|------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| 0:0:0:1111:: | 64 | fe80:0:0:1111::cf49 | 1 |
| 0:0:0:2222:: | 64 | fe80:0:0:1111::cf49 | 2 |

LANMAR+OLSR

• Three components:

- (1) OLSR as a local proactive routing: accurate routes from a source to all destinations within a limited scope N
- (2) LANMAR as a "long haul" distance vector routing: maintain accurate routes to landmarks from all mobiles in the field
- (3) LANMAR runs Landmark election based on local routing table in each logical subnet

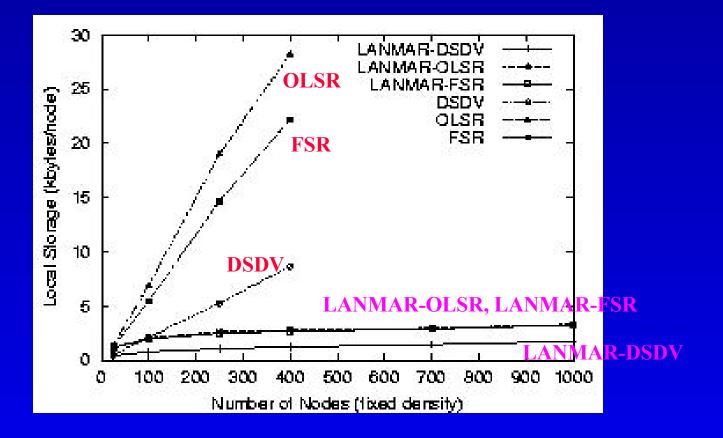
Benefits:

- IP-like route aggregation (CIDR)
- Routing information is suppressed for remote groups.

LANMAR+OLSR cont'd

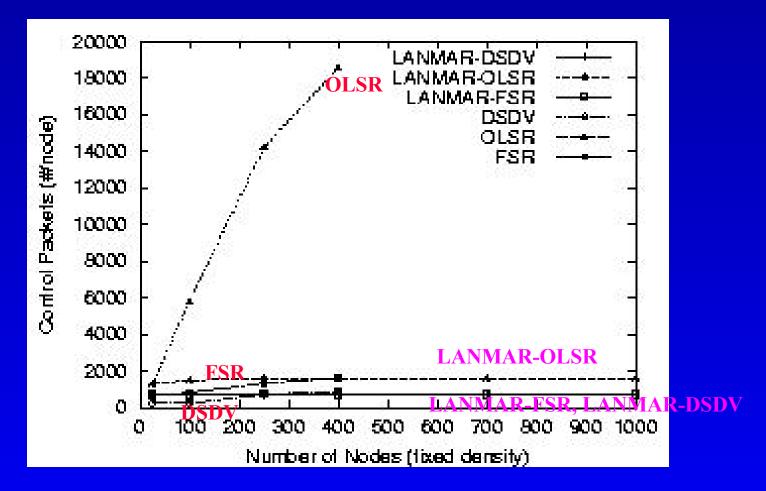
- Routing:
 - A packet to "local" destination is routed directly using OLSR
 - A packet to remote destination is routed to Landmark corresponding to group addr. Once the packet approaches the Landmark, the direct route is found in OLSR table.

Increasing region size: Routing Table Storage



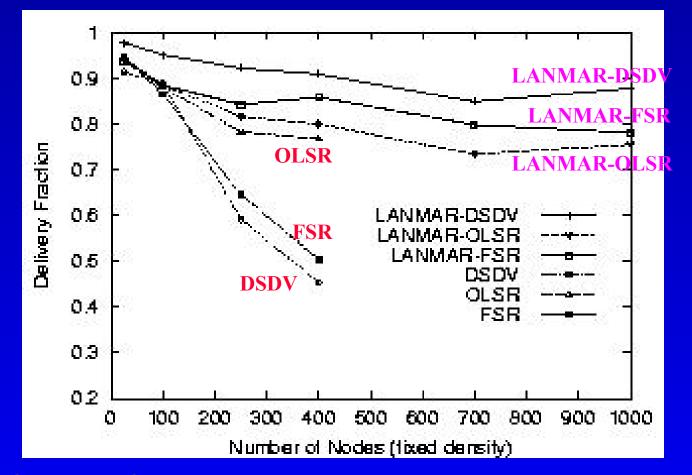
- •LANMAR variants remain low storage.
- •Their original counterparts increase storage linearly. Among them, DSDV increases slow than OLSR and FSR.

Increasing region: # of Control Packets



 Control packets not affected by # of nodes (periodic updates), except for OLSR, it uses triggered updates, so increase linearly.

Increasing region: Delivery Ratio



DSDV and FSR decrease quickly when number of nodes increases.
OLSR generates excessive control packets, cannot exceed 400 nodes.
All LANMAR variants work fine.

OLSR + Fisheye

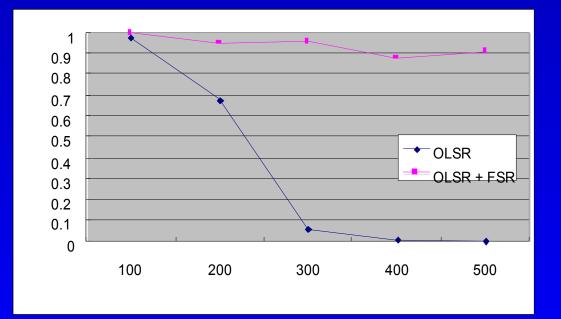
- LANMAR works well with group mobility
- What if the motion is random each node on its own?
- Enter OLSR + FSR
 - Combines OLSR and FSR

Key Features

- Different frequencies for broadcasting Link State packets different hops away (FSR)
- Scalable to large number of nodes: progressive O/H reduction
- Scalable to mobility:
 - Short update interval to keep accurate routing information of local nodes
 - Longer update interval to roughly trace remote nodes

Scalability to Network Size

- Fixed node density as # of nodes increases
- OLSR configuration: hello interval = 2S, TC interval = 4S
- OLSR + FSR configuration: 4 scopes, each scope is 2 hops except last one



Packet Delivery Ratio vs. Network Size

Physical, Mobile Backbone Overlay

- Landmarks provide routing scalability
- However the network is still flat paths have many hops → poor TCP and QoS performance!!
- Solution: Mobile Backbone Overlay
- MBO is a physical overlay
- MBO provides performance scalability
- LANMAR + OLSR extends "transparently" to the MBO

Backbone Node Automatic Deployment

Objectives

- Robust and autonomous backbone network maintenance
- Uniform distribution to cover the field

Approach

- Dynamic backbone node election: Deploy redundant backbone capable nodes and select a few
- Backbone node automatic placement: Relocate backbone nodes from dense to sparse regions

Mobile Backbone Reconfiguration

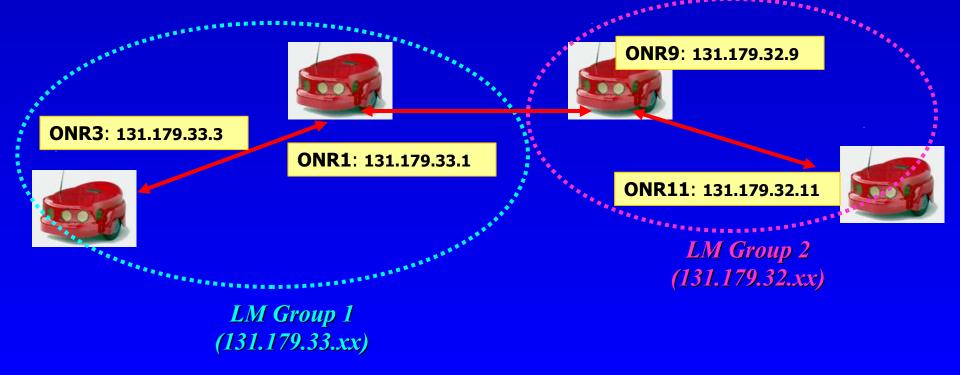
QuickTime^a and a Microsoft Video 1 decompressor are needed to see this picture.

LANMAR+OLSR Implementation Details

- Landmarks are translated into subnet entries in kernel routing table
 - entry match with most specific subnet mask
- Multithreads
 - OLSR send, LANMAR send, listen
- Two ports
 - OLSR and LANMAR use different ports
- OLSR and LANMAR communicate through kernel routing table
 - Protected by a semaphore

Demo Scenario of LANMAR+OLSR Implementation

- Scope: 2 hops
- Landmarks: ONR1 and ONR9
- Observe
 - Kernel IP routing tables
 - Protocol dumps of its internal tables



Implementation of LANMAR+OLSR in Linux

Kernel Routing Table

- For a host address, Linux sends directly.
- For a landmark, Linux routes to node with most specific subnet mask entry

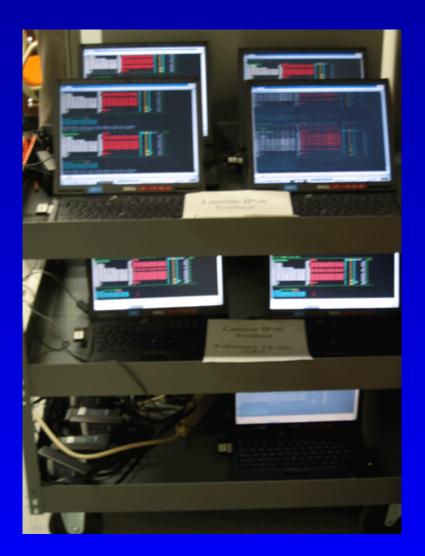
Routing protocol maintains

OLSR tables and LANMAR tables

Kernel IP routing table

| Destination | Gateway | Genmask | Flags | Metric | Ref | Use | Iface |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|-------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|
| 131.179.33.3 | 131.179.33.3 | 255.255.255.255 | U | 1 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |
| 131.179.32.9 | 131.179.32.9 | 255.255.255.255 | υ | 1 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |
| 131.179.32.11 | 131.179.32.9 | 255.255.255.255 | υ | 2 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |
| 131.179.33.0 | 131.179.33.1 | 255.255.255.0 | υ | 1 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |
| 131.179.32.0 | 131.179.32.9 | 255.255.255.0 | υ | 1 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |
| 127.0.0.0 | * | 255.0.0.0 | υ | 0 | 0 | 0 | lo |
| default | 131.179.33.1 | 0.0.0 | UG | 0 | 0 | 0 | eth0 |

Testbed at WAM



Conclusions and Future work

- LANMAR integration extends OLSR scalability in group oriented MANETs
- Fisheye integration helps when motion is random
- Both Compatible with mobile backbone

Future work

- Move to IPv6 environment
- More testbed experiments with larger number of nodes
- Compare OLSR+FSR and OLSR + LANMAR
- OLSR + LANMAR + FSR?
- Mobile Backbone experiments
- QoS extension

The End

Thank You!