



Routing Protocol for Ad Hoc Network Based on Location Information

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Abstract

Geographic routing is a routing principle that relies on geographic position information. Geographic routing protocol employs Boundary State Routing (BSR) with two components namely Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding and Boundary Mapping Protocol. The main idea behind this routing protocol is that the source sends a message to the geographic location of the destination instead of using the network address. The Greedy-BoundedCompass Forwarding strategy can forward packets around concave boundaries without looping. Boundary Mapping Protocol is used to maintain link state information for boundaries containing concave vertices to route packets around local minima.

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1. Introduction

Geographic Routing Protocols typically consist of a primary forwarding strategy and a secondary recovery strategy, which is used when the primary forwarding fails. Here the Boundary State Routing strategy comprises of two components namely Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding and Boundary Mapping Protocol. In Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding, Greedy forwarding [5] is used as the primary forwarding strategy and BoundedCompass is used as the fallback strategy on Greedy failure. This Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding strategy is used to forward packets without looping. But the Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding fails to forward packets around local minima. Routing of packets around local minima can be achieved by means of the Boundary Mapping Protocol, which is used to maintain boundary state information for boundaries that contain one or more concave nodes. This Boundary Mapping Protocol (BMP) comprises of two route discovery phases namely, Discovery Phase and Boundary Discovery Phase. Discovery Phase is used to detect voids in the network topology and Boundary Discovery Phase provides boundary information for the boundary members and is made available for routing.

2. Literature Review

Greedy Perimeter Stateless Routing for Wireless Networks (GPSR)

GPSR [2] is a packet-switched routing protocol implementation of GFG using Greedy forwarding and planar graph traversal. Nodes are only required to maintain 1-hop neighbour location information that is exchanged using periodic beacons. Packets are first transmitted with a mode flag set to Greedy. When the local minima is reached, the flag is changed to the perimeter mode, and a face traversal algorithm is used until Greedy forwarding can be resumed. Packets are not permitted to traverse an edge previously traversed to ensure that the packets do not loop. The main drawback of the GPSR is the addition of location registration and lookup traffic for a location database will increase GPSR's overhead.

2.1 Distance Routing Effect Algorithm for Mobility (DREAM)

DREAM [3] is a routing protocol for ad-hoc networks. It is based on the flooding of data without the prior establishment of a route. Messages are flooded into an area that is limited to an area between the source and a circle, calculated around the destination. However, the use of directional flooding of data

packets, as opposed to flooding of route requests in LAR, may still incur a significant bandwidth overhead.

2.2 Location-Aided Routing (LAR)

LAR [4] is an on-demand routing protocol that uses the last known position of the destination node and its velocity to limit the flooding of route requests toward the destination. Flooding is limited to an area between the source and a circle, calculated around the destination, with its centre at the last known position and a radius, which is determined by the node's velocity. The main drawback of this protocol is scalability and latency associated with on-demand strategies.

3. Proposed System

Boundary State Routing (BSR) strategy incorporates both the Geographic Forwarding strategy called Greedy-BoundedCompass Forwarding and Geographic Routing strategy called Boundary Mapping Protocol (BMP). Greedy-BoundedCompass Forwarding is a combination of primary Greedy forwarding strategy and a secondary BoundedCompass forwarding strategy, and is used when primary forwarding strategy fails.

Boundary Mapping Protocol (BMP) consists of two phases, which plays a significant role in routing around voids.

- Discovery Phase (Helps in void identification)
- Boundary Discovery Phase (Provides Boundary State information to route)

3.1 Design Representation

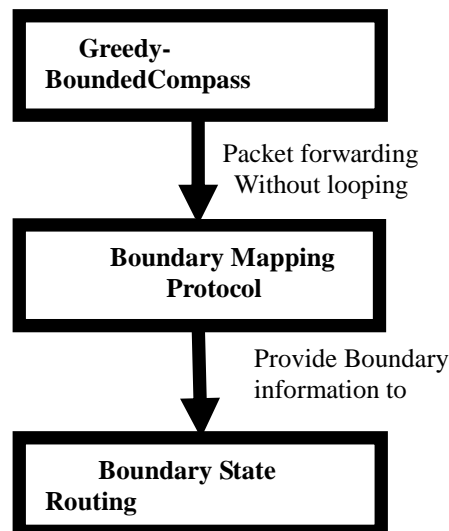


Fig. 1. Overall View of BSR

3.2 Greedy-BoundedCompass Forwarding

Greedy-BoundedCompass forwarding is an improved forwarding strategy. Initially a packet traverses from the source to the location of destination using Greedy forwarding [5],[6],[7]. According to Greedy forwarding the packet from source is forwarded to the node which is in the closest distance towards the destination. When Greedy forwarding fails, then that location is recorded as Closest Ever Location and the packet switches to BoundedCompass mode. In BoundedCompass mode the packet is traversed until a node or next hop, which is closer than Closest Ever Location to the destination, is found out.



And the mode is reset to Greedy. Then the packet from node which is closer than Closest Ever Location is forwarded to the destination using Greedy forwarding. This component is used to route the packets around convex boundaries.

The route query algorithm for Greedy-BoundedCompass Forwarding is as follows.

Route Query Algorithm

If current node is source

Set mode flag to INIT

If destination is directly connected neighbour

Update previous ID and previous location in packet to current node ID and location

Set mode flag to LINK_STATE

Return destination as next hop

Get next hop using Greedy ()

If next hop == Fail

Get next hop using BoundedCompass ()

If next hop != Fail

Update previous ID and previous location in packet to current node ID and location

Return next hop

Algorithm Steps

Step 1: If the current node is source then set the mode flag to INIT.

Step 2: And if the destination node is directly connected to neighbour to the source then update the previous ID and previous location in packet to current node ID and location. Then set mode to LINK_STATE and return destination as next hop.

Step 3: Else, Get next hop using Greedy (). And if, next hop is equal to fail then get next hop using BoundedCompass ().

Step 4: Else if, next hop is not equal to fail then, update previous ID and previous location in packet to current node ID and location. Then return next hop.

4. Boundary Mapping Protocol

Boundary Mapping Protocol (BMP) is used to detect void in the network topology and the outer boundary. Boundary Mapping Protocol comprises of two phases namely Discovery Phase and Boundary Discovery Phase. In Discovery phase, any node on a convex vertex initiates a probe packet and transmits the probe packet to the neighbour on a clockwise rotation/anti-clockwise rotation around the vertex by using right-hand/left-hand rule. When the full boundary has been traversed and the packet returns to the source, it will analysis on the probe packet coordinate list and computes angle change. If the angle change equals +360 degrees, then an interior void has detected. Else, if the angle change equals -360 degrees, then an outer boundary has been traversed. Some modification to the boundary traversal rule is used to overcome edge crossovers and branches.

In Boundary Discovery phase whenever a node initiates a boundary probe, it creates a boundary record, sets its status to Discovery. A Discovery probe is initiated by a node with the source node ID and the boundary ID and then the node sends it to clockwise neighbour. Whenever a node



receives a Discovery probe, then it creates a boundary record and sets its status to Discovery and stores the source node ID of the probe to detect subsequent Discovery probes from the same boundary. If a node is receiving subsequent Discovery probe from the same source then the source node ID in the Discovery probe and Boundary record is compared. And if, the source node ID of Discovery probe is lower than source node ID of the boundary record then the record is updated with the newer source node ID. Else, the probe packet is dropped. When the probe arrives back at source, then the mode is set to Establish and the probe is forwarded around boundary. Each node copies the boundary list into its boundary record and the status is set to Inner Boundary or Outer Boundary.

4.1 BSR Algorithm BSR Route Query

*If current node is source
Set mode flag to INIT*

*If destination is directly connected neighbour
Update previous ID and previous location in packet to current node ID and location
Set mode flag to LINK_STATE
Return destination as next hop
If next hop is available using Greedy ()
Update previous ID and previous location in packet
Set mode flag to Greedy
Return next hop*

*If mode flag \neq BOUNDARY
If next hop is available using Bounde dCompass ()
Update previous ID and previous location in packet*

*If distance from Next Hop to Dest $>$ current node to Dest
If alternate next hop is available using Boundary ()
Set mode flag to Boundary
Return alternate next hop
Set mode flag to COMPASS
Return next hop*

*If next hop is available using Boundary ()
Set mode flag to BOUNDARY
Return next hop*

Return FAIL

Algorithm Steps:

Step1: If current node is source then set the mode flag to INIT.

Step 2: And if the destination is directly connected neighbour update previous ID and previous location in packet. Then set mode to LINK_STATE and return destination as next hop.

Step 3: If next hop is available using Greedy () then update previous ID and previous location in packet.

Then set mode flag to GREEDY and then return next hop.

Step 4: If mode flag is not equal to BOUNDARY and if next hop is available using BoundedCompass () then update previous ID and previous location in packet.

If distance from next hop to Dest is greater than current node to Dest and if alternate next hop is available using Boundary (). Then set mode flag to BOUNDARY and return alternate next hop.

Else, Set mode flag to COMPASS and return next hop.

Step 5: If next hop is available using Boundary () then set mode flag to BOUNDARY and then return next hop.

Else, return FAIL.

5. RESULTS

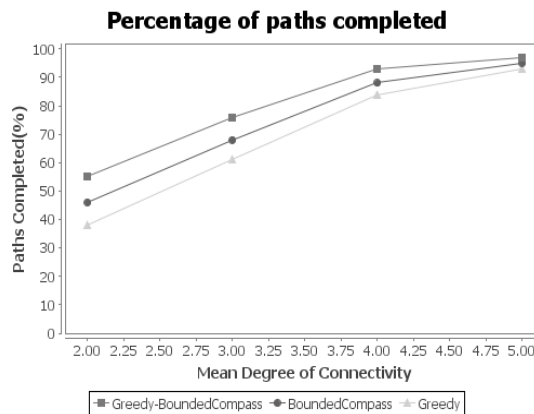


Fig. 2. Comparison between different forwarding strategies for percentage of path completed

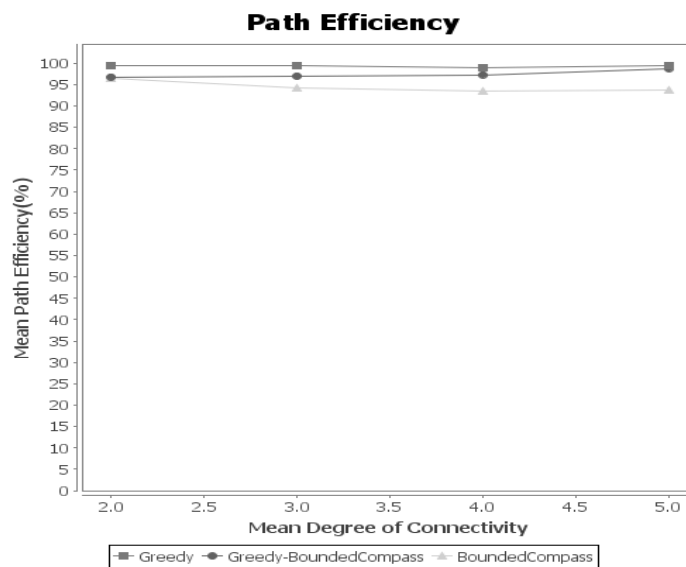


Fig. 3. Comparison between different forwarding strategies for measuring path efficiency



6. Conclusion

An improved forwarding strategy, Greedy-Bounded Compass forwarding is an effective boundary mapping procedure, and a geographic routing protocol BSR, has demonstrated significant improvements in path efficiency. This Greedy-Bounded Compass forwarding has also demonstrated an improved path completion. The BMP maintains the boundary-state information and provides next-hop selection for routing. BMP also minimizes the probing overhead by relying on Greedy with Bounded Compass forwarding to route around convex boundaries.

Future work will improve the boundary selection algorithm to incorporate boundary swapping and pruning of branches before addressing the issues of boundary maintenance and control overhead in mobile topologies.

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