

CS120: Computer Networks

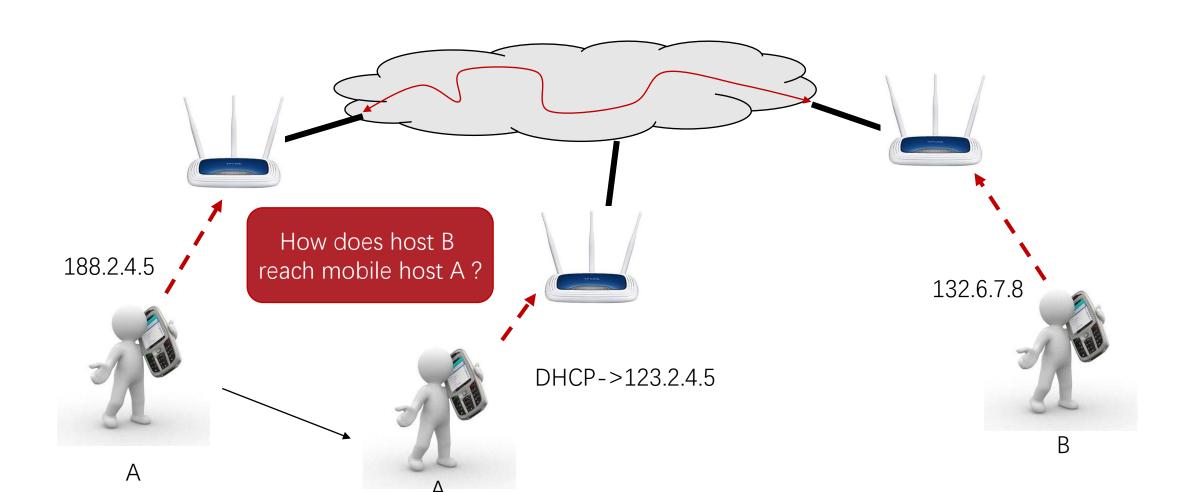
Lecture 14. Mobile Routing

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Outline

- Mobile Routing
 - Mobile IP
 - Mobility Handling in Cellular Network
 - Routing in Mobile Ad Hoc Network (MANET)
 - OLSR

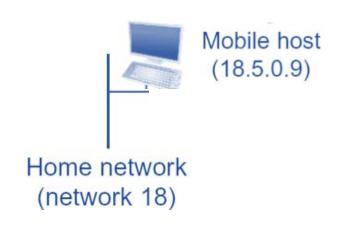
Mobility Challenge in IP Network



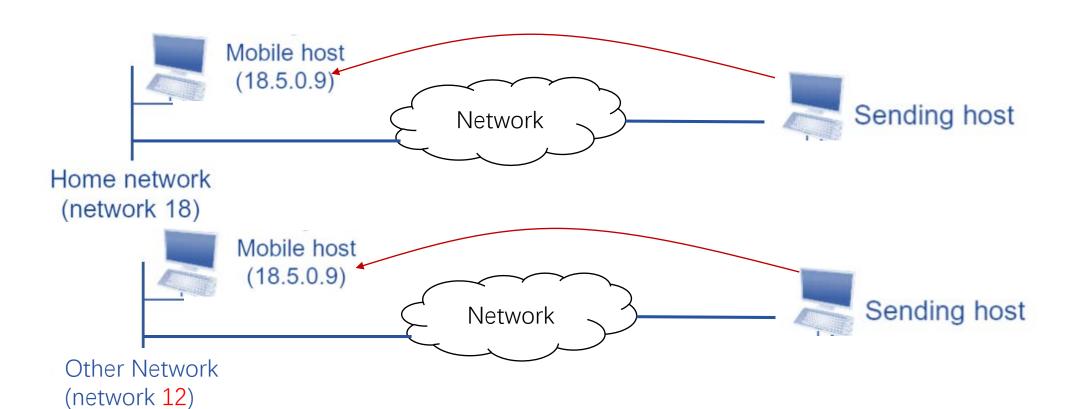
- Goal
 - Mobile IP is designed to provide seamless network connectivity under mobile situation where subnetwork changes may occur.
 - e.g., From one WLAN to another WLAN
- Standard by IETF in 2002
 - Long before ubiquitous smartphones, 4G support for Internet protocols
 - Did not see wide deployment/use



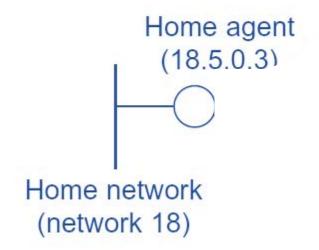
- Home Address
 - Permanent IP address of the mobile host
 - e.g.,18.5.0.9
 - Other host uses it to contact the mobile host
- Home Network
 - The network that the home address resides
 - e.g., 18.5.0/24
 - "Home" network of the mobile host



- Goal
 - A sending host can find the mobile host through its home address



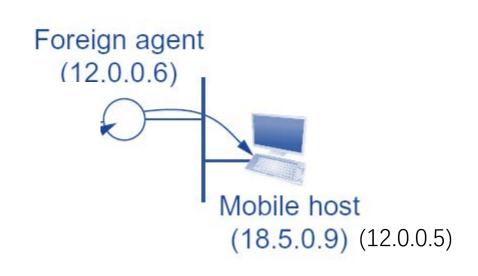
- Home Agent
 - The router in the home network to support mobile IP
 - e.g.: 18.5.0.3
- Foreign Agent
 - The router out of the home network to support mobile IP
 - e.g.: 12.0.0.6



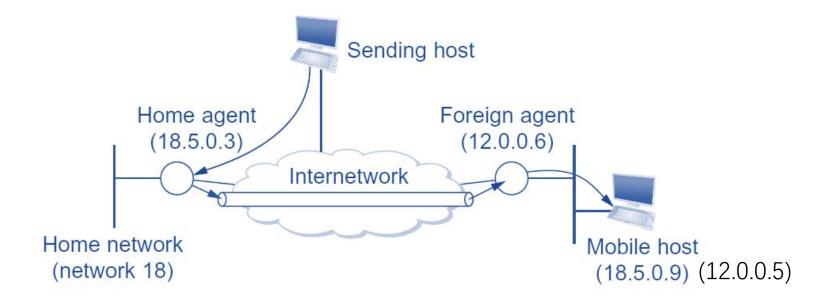


- Foreign Address
 - The IP address of the mobile obtained from the foreign network by DHCP
 - e.g.: 12.0.0.5

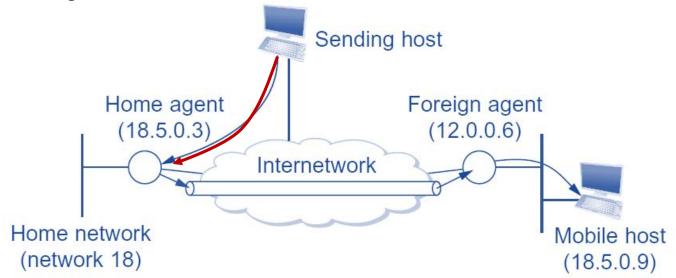




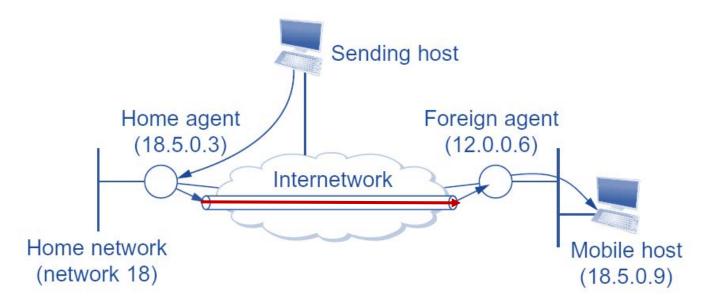
- From mobile host to sending host: direct send packets
- From sending host to mobile host: following steps
 - Packets from sending host to mobile host are routed to home network
 - Home agent redirects packets for mobile host to the foreign agent
 - Foreign agent recognizes and delivers packets for the mobile host



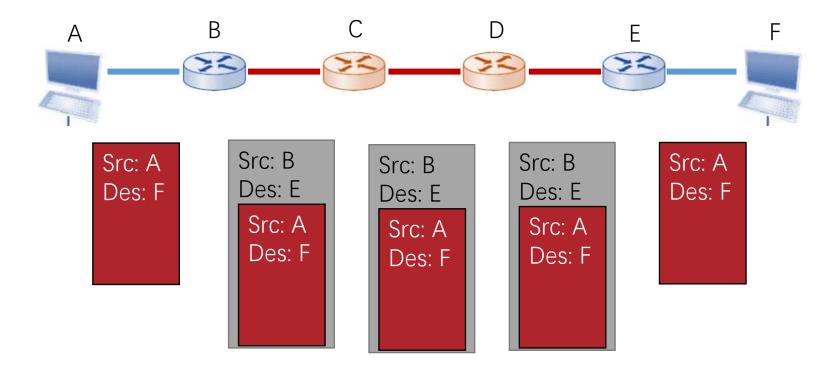
- Step 1
 - Packets from sending host to mobile host are routed to home network
 - Problem: route of sending host to mobile host dost not go through home agent
 - Case1: Sending host is in the home network
 - Case2: Sending host's path does not go through the home agent (Network 18 is connected to multiple routers)
 - Solution: Proxy ARP
 - Home agent broadcasts ARP to bind mobile host's MAC with home agent's IP



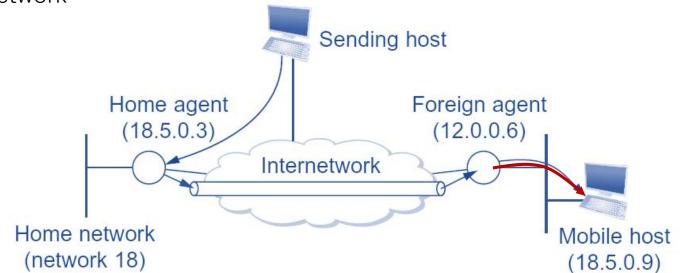
- Step 2
 - Home agent redirects packets for mobile host to the foreign agent
 - Problem: routers in the network cannot correctly forward according to mobile host's home address
 - Solution: tunneling
 - Home agent and foreign agent are connected through IP tunnel



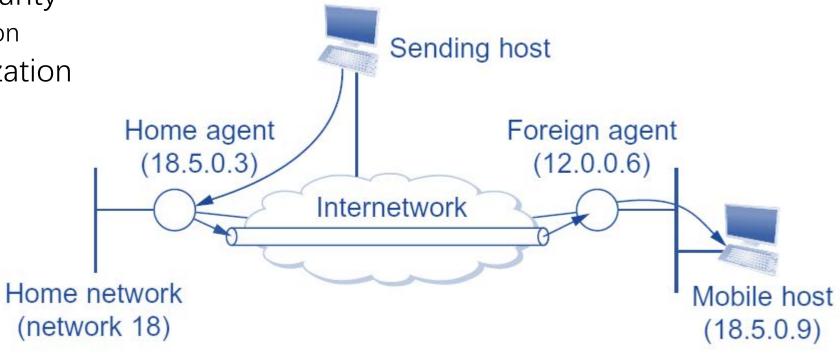
A IP Tunnel Between Host A and Host F



- Step 3
 - Foreign agent recognizes and delivers packets for the mobile host
 - Problem:
 - Why there is a foreign agent
 - Solution: combine foreign agent and mobile host
 - A software in mobile host acts as the foreign agent and obtain DHCP IP from foreign network



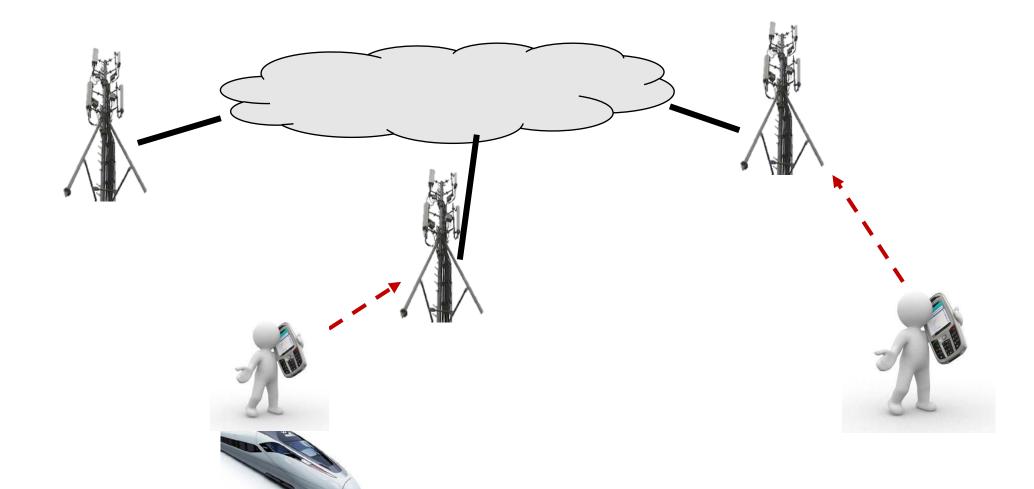
- Other Problems
 - Tunneling Security
 - Authentication
 - Route Optimization



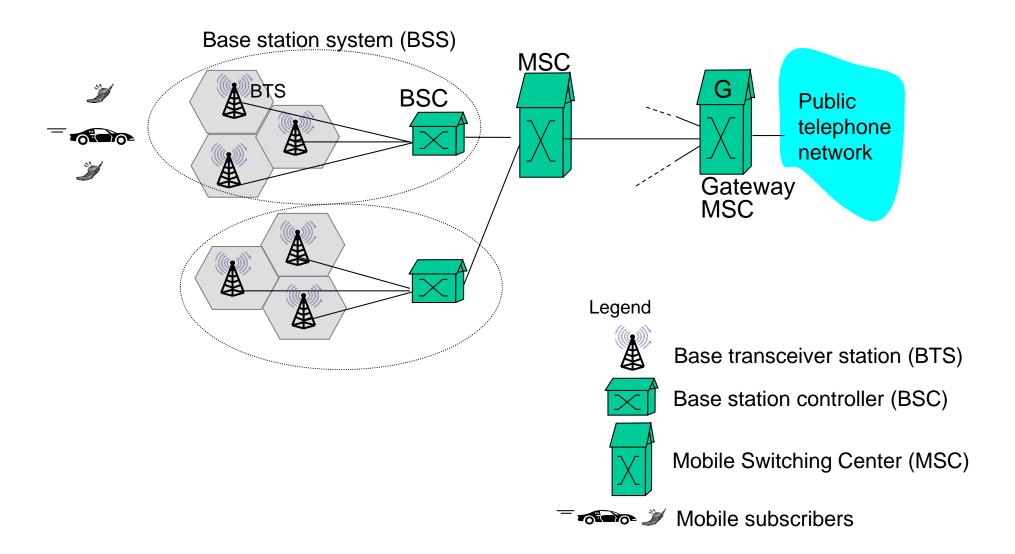
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Mobility in Cellular Network



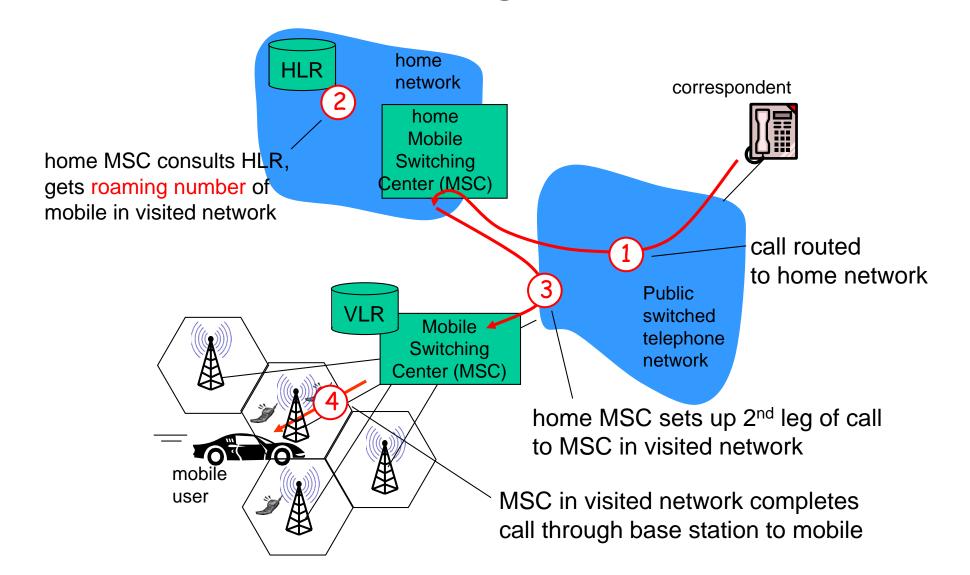
2G (GSM) Network Architecture



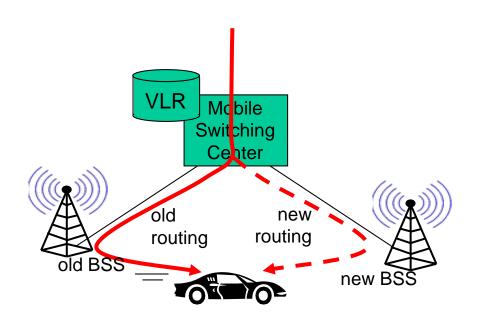
Mobility Handling In Cellular Networks

- *Home network*: network of cellular provider you subscribe to (e.g., China Mobile)
 - *home location register (HLR):* database in home network containing permanent cell phone #, profile information (services, preferences, billing), information about current location (could be in another network)
- Foreign network (Visited): network in which mobile currently resides (provider of other cities, or different provider)
 - *visitor location register (VLR):* database with entry for each user currently in network
 - could be home network

GSM: Indirect Routing to Mobile Host

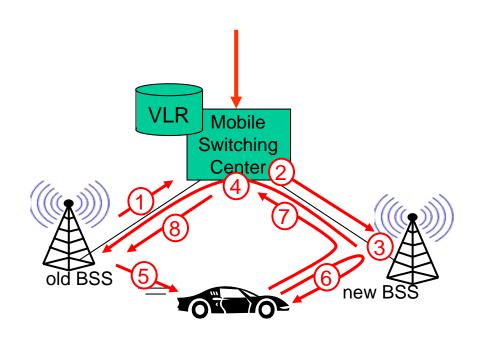


GSM: Handoff with Common MSC



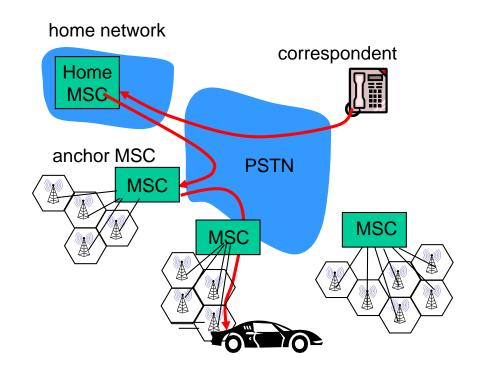
- Handoff goal: route call via new base station (without interruption)
- reasons for handoff:
 - stronger signal to/from new BSS (continuing connectivity, less battery drain)
 - load balance: free up channel in current BSS
 - GSM doesn't mandate why to perform handoff (policy), only how (mechanism)
- handoff initiated by old BSS

GSM: Handoff with Common MSC (Steps)



- 1. old BSS informs MSC of impending handoff, provides list of new BSSs
- 2. MSC sets up path (allocates resources) to new BSS
- 3. new BSS allocates radio channel for use by mobile
- 4. new BSS signals MSC, old BSS: ready
- 5. old BSS tells mobile: perform handoff to new BSS
- 6. mobile, new BSS signal to activate new channel
- 7. mobile signals via new BSS to MSC: handoff complete. MSC reroutes call
- 8 MSC-old-BSS resources released

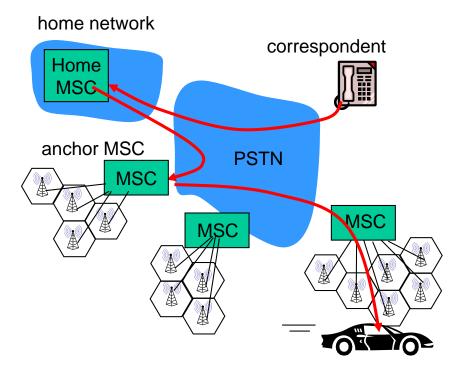
GSM: Handoff between MSCs



before handoff

- anchor MSC: first MSC visited during call
 - call remains routed through anchor MSC
- new MSCs add on to end of MSC chain as mobile moves to new MSC
- optional path minimization step to shorten multi-MSC chain

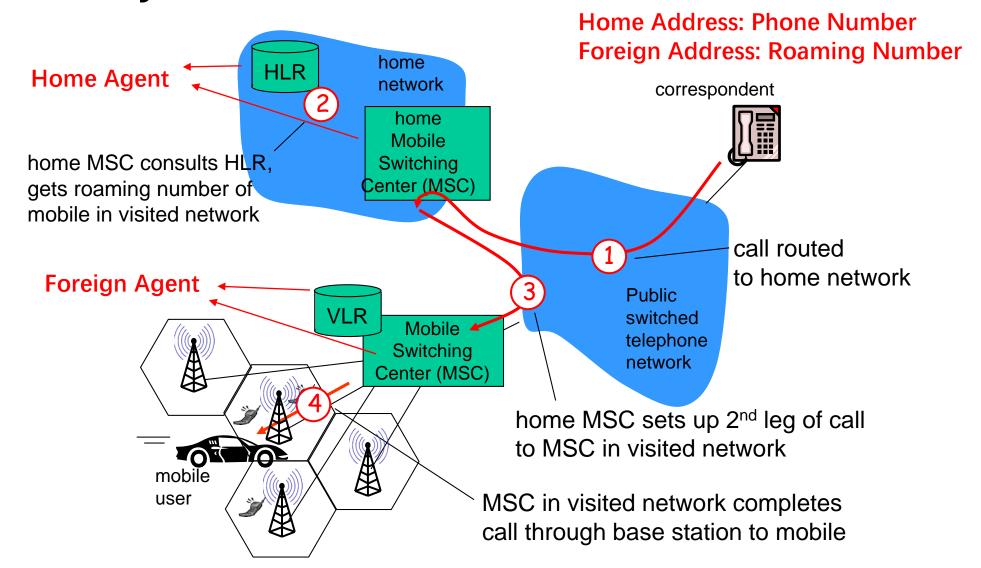
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after handoff

- anchor MSC: first MSC visited during call
 - call remains routed through anchor MSC
- Anchor MSC connects to new MSC

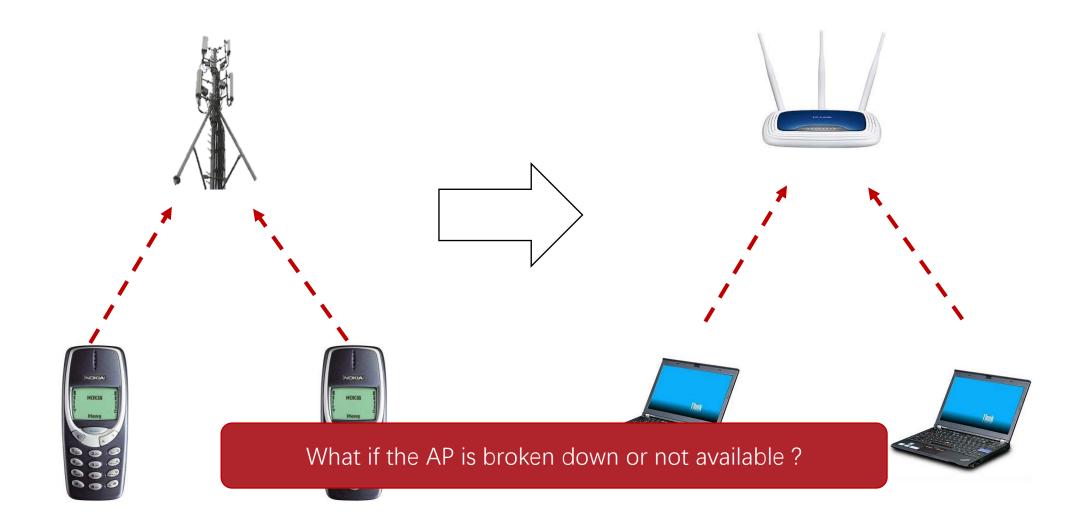
Mobility: Cellular versus Mobile IP



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Wireless Network with Infrastructure



- Wireless
- Rapidly deployable, self configuring
- No Infrastructure

Emergency

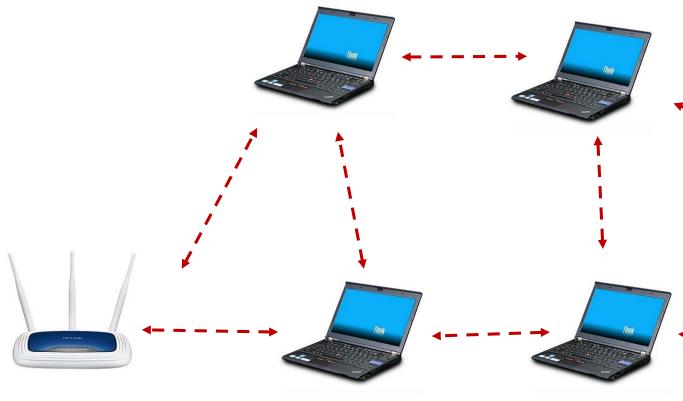


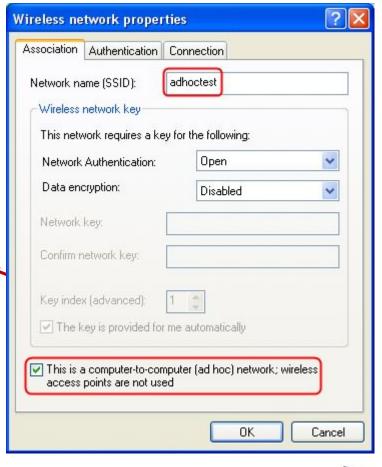
Military





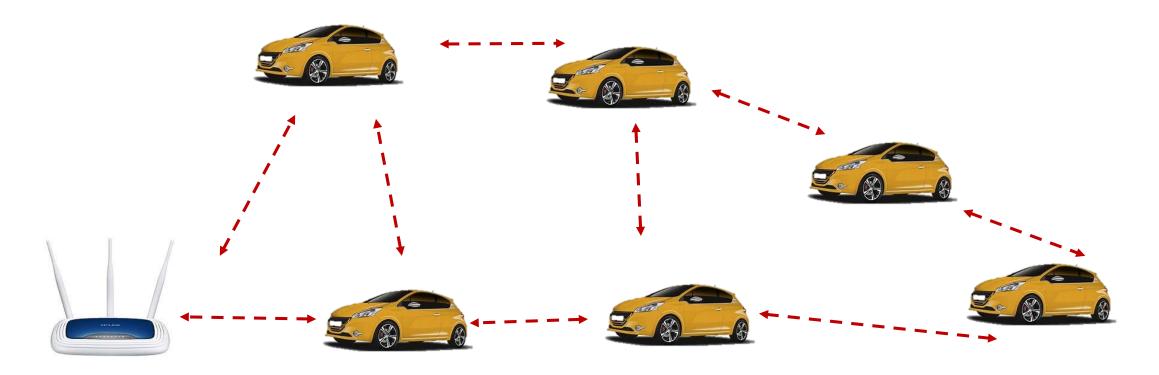
Mesh Network





Wireless Sensor Network

Net of vehicles

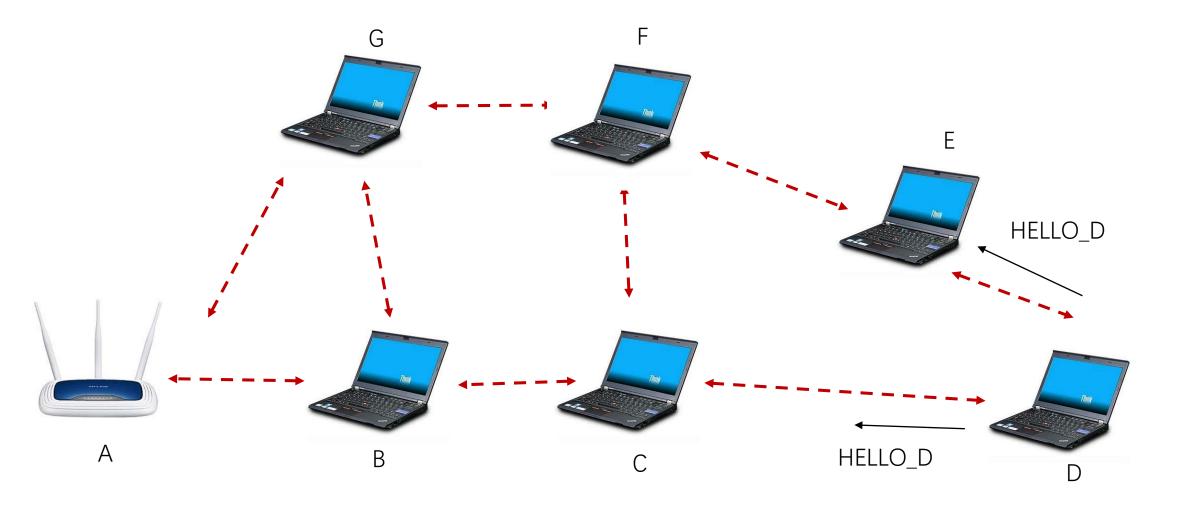


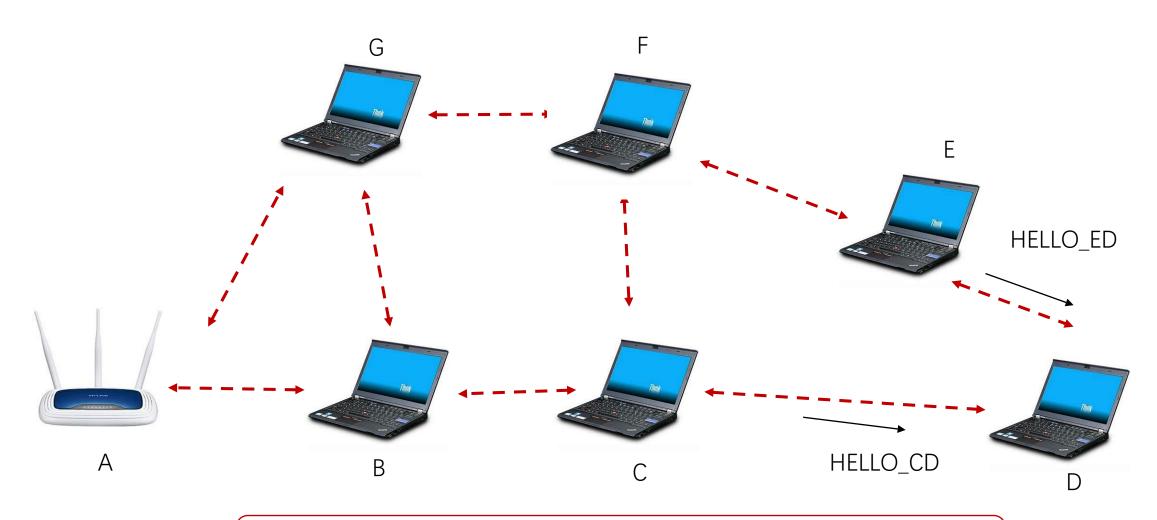
Routing in Ad Hoc Networks

- Problem:
 - Multi-hop operation requires a routing mechanism designed for mobile nodes
- Challenges:
 - Network topology is highly dynamic
 - Connection quality, Mobility of Participant, etc.
 - Resource of mobile devices is very limited
 - Bandwidth, Power, Computing Ability, Storage, etc.
 - Network connections can be asymmetric
 - e.g. A can reach B but B cannot reach A

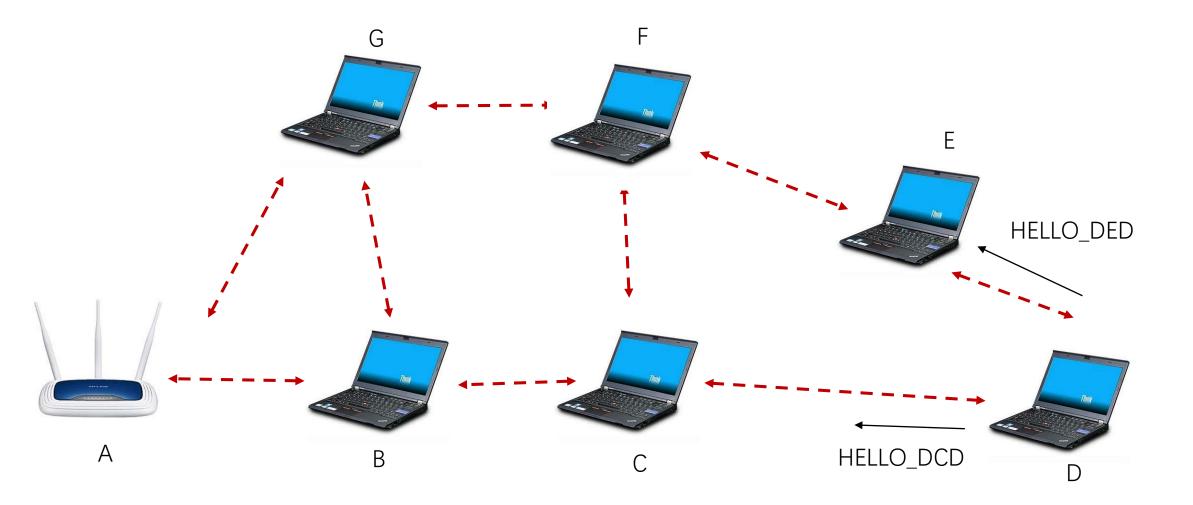
Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

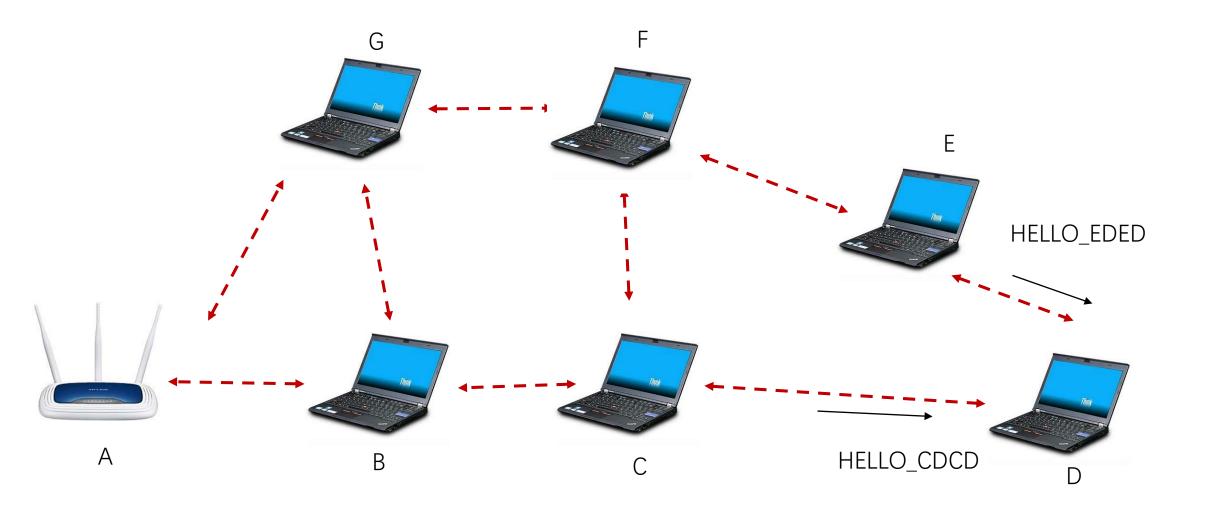
- RFC 3626
- Pro-Active
 - Routes are set up based on continuous control traffic
- Routing Method
 - Link sensing
 - "Selective" flooding
 - Link-State messaging





D knows C and E can receive from D, but C and E do not know whether D can receive from C and E

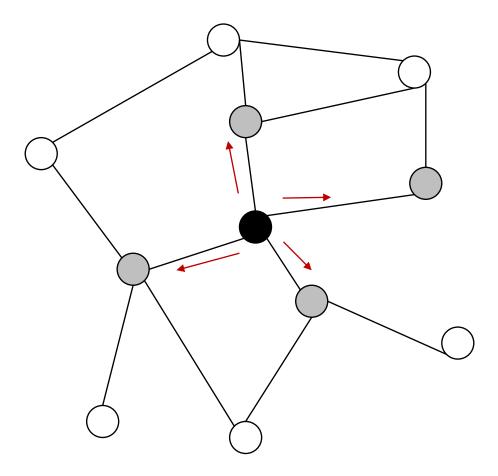




Link Sensing

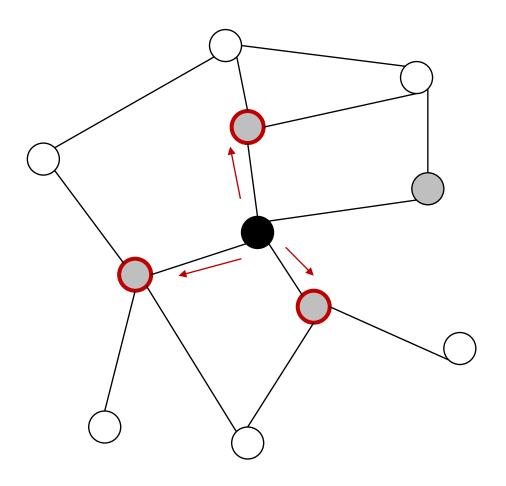
- HELLO messages are used to find symmetric links
- Using HELLO messages each node knows not only its 1-hop neighborhood but its 2-hop neighborhood
 - Similar as OSPF

Normal Flooding



"Selective" Flooding

- Select MultiPoint Relay (MPR)
 - to reduce broadcasting overhead
 - For all 2 hop neighbors there must exist a MPR set so that these 2 hop neighbors can be connected through nodes in MPR



Link-State Messaging

- Flood Link State
 - Similar as OSPF
 - Reduce overhead with MPR

Optimized Link State Routing (OLSR)

- Pro-Active
 - Routes are set up based on continuous control traffic
- Routing Method
 - Link sensing
 - "Selective" flooding
 - Link-State messaging
- Pros and Cons
 - Constant routing overhead
 - Routes are always available

Reference

• Textbook 4.4