#### **CHAPTER I**

#### Introduction

## 1.1 Background

MANET is a highly decentralized wireless network consisting of mobile devices, or nodes that communicate with each other without relying on a fixed infrastructure. MANETs are mostly known for their high mobility, self-configuring and self-organizing characteristics. It can adapt to changes its positions of individual devices, as well as varying channel error rates and link disruptions. MANETS are constructed by dynamic mobile nodes and used dynamic topology, which allows for frequent changes as devices move in and out of the network. This flexibility is critical when supporting communication during disaster scenarios and military operations where traditional infrastructures may not be available.

AODV is a routing protocol based on the DSDV algorithm, operates reactively by establishing routes only when necessary. It ensures a single path without loops, when a source wants to send data to an unknown destination, it initiates a Route Request (RREQ) to discover the route. Intermediate nodes receiving the RREQ established a route if needed to the destination route and if it is the destination then it replays message (RREP) is sent back to the source by the destination or nodes with a route. Nodes without the route rebroadcast the RREQ if the have the route or the destination. The shortest path is chosen if multiple RREPs is received. Data transmission follows the established route. In case of route failure, a RERR is sent to the source, Prompting route cancellation and recovery. The main problem in AODV is link failure problem, because it discovers only one best route based on on-demand distance vector. If the path become vulnerable by a malicious node the whole link may be failed.

The AOMDV routing protocol is as like the AODV in most of the cases including distance vector concept instead of it finds multipaths. It overcomes the link failure problem in ad hoc network. AOMDV shares nodes instead of finding the destination routes from

beginning by RREQ. It works with efficient node switching which allows AOMDV to find next best routes when it fails in one link.

### 1.2 Requirements

In a MANET, there is a sender who sends data and also a receiver who receives the data with several dynamic nodes which forwarding the data. AOMDV routing protocols find multiple routes from source to destination and transmits packets using the route with the minimum hop-count. The multiple paths are considered to be disjoint and active.

Homomorphic Encryption is the cryptographic technique allowing computations on encrypted data without decryption. The homomorphic encryption has several techniques, It can be done by adding, Multiplying or both on the encrypted data. Another technique is called the mixed technique where, performing decryption on the product of one ciphertext plaintext is the same as multiplication of two plaintexts.

#### 1.3 Problem Statements

The security in MANETs has become an active area of research because of various applications. Security concerns arise due to highly decentralized nature, making them more vulnerable to unauthorized access, eavesdropping, and various attacks.

In Multipath routing protocol like AODV, source node at first selects the best routes to the destination nodes and send packets through the routes. But these routes may consist of malicious nodes. The malicious nodes behave like other nodes as other nodes forward packets. A malicious node forward the control packets but drop the data packets so they do not reach the destination.

The entire data is sent via a single path and dropped by the malicious node. However, the data is encrypted but lost so, it makes no sense of the encryption. As entire data is dropped so the attacker gains full knowledge about the data. The goal of the proposed scheme is to deliver the whole data reliably even though there is malicious node in the paths which are not working.

Blackhole Attack means a malicious node falsely claims to have the shortest route to a destination and attracts traffic to itself, subsequently dropping or misrouting the received data packets. In AOMDV, as it supports multiple paths to a destination, however a blackhole node claims to have the shortest path to various destinations, it can lure traffic

onto those paths, disrupting the communication by dropping or manipulating packets. A blackhole node can falsely exploit the on-demand nature of AOMDV's route discovery. When a source node seeks a route, a blackhole node might respond with fake routes that seems optimal. This can divert traffic towards it, leading to potential data loss or compromise.

## 1.4 Objectives

- The provide a reliable and secure AOMDV routing protocol for data transmission.
- Secure data transmission by assuming that routing between sender and receiver is already established.
- To make AOMDV routing protocol more efficient.

## 1.5 Unfamiliarity of the Problem

Malicious nodes may be contained in the route and may make blackhole attacks. In this proposed scheme multiple paths are found using AOMDV protocol and sent data by multiple paths dividing the main data into multiple parts and encrypted them by Enhanced homomorphic encryption cryptosystem. The proposed scheme is not intrusion detection algorithm, but it is intrusion avoidance system for malicious nodes.

The idea behind the scheme is to allocate disjoint paths into distinct groups and each group consists of several paths. All the disjoint paths are interconnected between sender and receiver. The message is divided into multiple fragments and each fragment is encrypted using homomorphic encryption. One group is owned one parts of the encrypted message and deliver it to the destination. If one of the nodes is malicious then the message is still able to reach the destination by another safe path. This proposed scheme is able to send the whole message without any attacks or modifications by blackhole attacks.

## 1.6 Project Planning

The plan for this project is organized using a Gantt chart. As the topic is quite new in the arena of research, review of necessary literatures took some time, then to find out some limitations and modifications of the proposed scheme by previous research is still on planning. After that implementation of previous approach as well as newly proposed scheme will be done for comparative study. This comparative study will provide a better

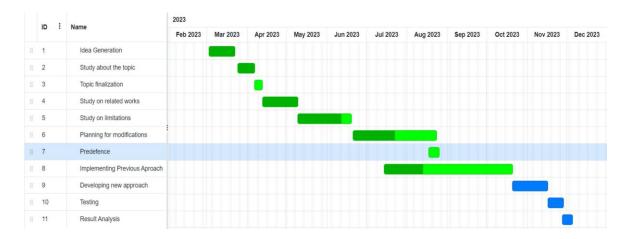


Fig. 1.1. Gantt chart for thesis plan

view of previous results and success rate with the newly proposed idea's result and success rate.

# 1.7 Organization

This thesis progress report is organized as follows. Sections 2 explains closely related work. Section 3 introduces methodology. The problem to be solved in this paper is mentioned in Section 4. The proposed scheme is described in Section 5. Section 6 shows the simulation results. Conclusion with future work is mentioned in Section 7.

#### **CHAPTER II**

## **Related works**

In this chapter, previous related works are discussed. Most of the works are done about secure and reliable MANET routing. A few works are done for securing data forwarding in MANETs. Although some proposal was interesting and effective in data forwarding or data communication on mobile ad-hoc network.

Papadimitratos and Haas [1] proposed a data transmission securing technique in MANETs and the proposed secure data transmission scheme for Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs) functions exclusively through an end-to-end process. It capitalizes on the redundancy provided by multipath routing and ensures its functionality remains robust and efficient even in challenging conditions. The scheme operates independently of constrained knowledge about security associations and network trust. It also accommodates potential data loss while dynamically adapting its operations to the prevailing network conditions.

Lou et al. [2] introduced a security protocol aimed at bolstering data confidentiality in MANETs by ensuring dependable data delivery. The fundamental concept involves converting a confidential message into multiple shares using secret sharing schemes. These shares are subsequently conveyed via distinct, separate paths to the destination. This approach ensures that, even if a limited number of nodes are compromised, the entirety of the secret message remains secure. However, these schemes face a challenge: each node in the network must establish a security association with every other node, leading to increased overhead.

Wazid et al. [3] [4] introduced novel techniques for detecting and preventing multiple attacker nodes in Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs). These methods involve dividing the entire WSN into clusters, with each cluster featuring a powerful sensor node known as a cluster head. These cluster heads are responsible for detecting potential attacker nodes within their respective clusters. Notably, these techniques are well-suited for resource-

constrained sensor nodes due to their minimal computational and communication overheads.

Satav et al. [5] proposed a technique designed to enhance route selection security in challenging environments within Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs). This approach introduces a route reliability parameter to classify paths as reliable or unreliable in the routing table. However, this addition increases computational and storage overhead while diminishing packet delivery ratio and end-to-end delay. This method addresses security concerns during the route discovery phase, whereas our proposal focuses on addressing security issues during the data transmission stage.

Yang et al. [6] presented a self-organized network-layer security approach. Unlike cryptographic measures applied to messages in transit, this solution focuses on safeguarding the network against malicious nodes through the identification and response to suspicious behaviors. It constitutes a network-layer security strategy that shields routing and forwarding activities within a unified framework. However, a notable challenge of this scheme is its excessive energy consumption, which impacts its feasibility and effectiveness.

Chinthanai et al. [7] introduced an enhanced adaptive acknowledgment technique for intrusion detection. This method employs digital signatures to counteract the fabrication of acknowledgment packets by attackers. Notably, the scheme achieves improved detection rates for malicious behavior in specific scenarios without imposing any negative impact on network performance.

Tan et al. [8] introduced a mechanism that enhances data transmission security by employing the AES cryptographic primitive within the context of the AODV protocol. This approach focuses on countering blackhole attacks, emphasizing the enhancement of network parameters such as throughput and packet delivery ratio.

Ertaul et al. [9] utilized elliptic curve cryptography (ECC) and a threshold cryptosystem (TC) to ensure secure message delivery. Their method entails dividing the message into fragments, individually encrypting each fragment with ECC, and then transmitting these encrypted segments to the recipient. At the recipient's end, the secret shares are decrypted using ECC to reconstruct the original message. A key challenge faced by earlier approaches, however, is the introduction of additional routing overhead, particularly in situations involving a knowledgeable adversary.

Table 2.1: Comparison between the related works and the proposed scheme

work	Key focus	Approach and Features	Overh	Packet	Security	End-to-
			ead	loss	Constrai	end
					ned	delay
[1]	End-to-end secure	Utilizes multipath routing	yes	yes	yes	yes
	data transmission	for resilience and				
	in MANET	adaptability				
[2]	Data	Secret sharing, safe-	yes	no	no	yes
	confidentiality	guard against				
	enhancement in	compromised nodes.				
	MANETs					
[3-4]	Detection and	Divide WSNs in	no	yes	yes	yes
	prevention of	clusters with power-				
	Attacker nodes in	ful nodes.				
	WSNs					
[5]	Route selection	Adds route reliability to	yes	yes	no	yes
	security	routing table				
	enhancement					
	in MANETs					
[6]	Self-organized	Detects malicious nodes,	yes	no	no	yes
	Network-layer	shields routing				
	security in	and forwarding.				
	MANETs					
[7]	Enhanced ada-	Utilizes digital signa-tures	yes	no	yes	yes
	ptive acknowl-	for packet auth-enticity				
	edgement for					
	intrusion detect					
[8]	Data transmis-	Implement AES wit-	yes	no	yes	no
	sion security	hin AODV for black-hole				
	enhancement	defence				
	using AES					
Prop	High reliability	Using Homomorphic	no	no	no	yes
osed	security in da-ta	cryptosystem with				
	transmission	AOMDV protocol				

In overview, the majority of prior endeavors to secure the AOMDV protocol in MANETs struggle to effectively counter black hole attacks, as these attacks lead to data loss even if the data is encrypted. In contrast, our proposed scheme appears to offer a higher level of reliability and security by successfully delivering encrypted data to the intended destination.

#### **CHAPTER III**

## **Required tools**

## 3.1 Ad Hoc On-demand Distance Vector Routing (AODV)

An ad-hoc network involves mobile nodes cooperating without centralized control. [10] Each node acts as a router, acquiring routes on-demand rather than through regular ads. AODV ensures loop-free routes even when repairing broken links. The protocol's efficiency lies in avoiding constant global routing advertisements, conserving bandwidth compared to protocols that rely on such advertisements.

### 3.2 Ad Hoc Multipath On-demand Distance Vector Routing (AOMDV)

AOMDV is extension of AODV. It is a multi-path, disjoint path and also a loop free routing protocol. [11] It is proposed based on the existing single path routing protocol AODV to avoid frequent route discovery [13]. It also solves the route cutoff problem. Reactive routing protocol, which initiates route Computations only.

### 3.3 Enhanced Homomorphic Cryptosystem (EHC)

In this proposed scheme EHC is used to encrypt the data. The encryption technique uses

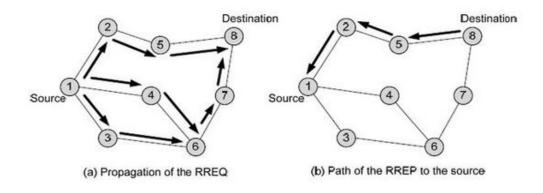


Fig 3.1: Ad hoc on demand distance vector routing scenario [12]

additive homomorphic encryption strategy. Here a large number m consists of two large prime numbers p and q. Here q is the shared secret key. That number m is also a secret key which is used to encrypt the data. Random number is used in this system. Random number makes the cryptosystem strong and impossible to breach. In the principle of the scheme there are three parts. They are: key generation, encryption and decryption.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

# **Proposed Methodology**

## **4.1 Secret Key Generation**

- p, q  $\xi$  P, where P is prime, and m = p \* q.
- Generate a random number r.
- The set of original plaintext message  $p = Z_p = \{x : x \le P\}$ ,  $Z_m = \{x : x \le m\}$  has the set of ciphertext messages.
- Secret values r, m and q
- Shared key k = p.

### 4.2 Encryption

- x € Z<sub>p</sub>
- -The ciphertext C is calculated as  $y = E_p(x) = (x + r \times pq) \pmod{m}$

## 4.3 Decryption

- The Plaintext x is recovered as  $x = D_p(y) = y \mod p$ 

## 4.4 Proposed Scheme

The proposed scheme is implemented by modifying the AOMDV protocol. The scheme is explained below:

• A collection of operational separate routes, denoted as n, is established between a sender and a receiver. In our network layout, n signifies the count of active routes present within the topology. This value is deliberately chosen and kept constant to create multiple routes linking a sender and a receiver, thereby facilitating the

transmission of message components. The sender's routing table is then populated with crucial information necessary for data routing along each chosen path in the topology connecting the sender and the receiver.

- The paths are organized into groups labeled as G, achieved by dividing the total count of paths, n, by the specified quantity of paths intended for each group. This division is carried out with the condition that each group contains at least two active paths, which is represented as G = (n/2 or more).
- Prior to transmitting the message (code), the sender designates a distinct and exclusive message identifier (msg-id) to the complete message. The message is then fragmented into parts equal to the number of groups, denoted as G. This division process generates individual segments labeled as M/G, wherein M signifies the complete message and G stands for the total count of merged active separate paths within groups.
- Additionally, every segment of the complete message, denoted as m, is linked to a
  distinct part message identifier. This identifier, represented as (msg-sp-id1, msgsp-id2,...,etc.), is employed on the receiver's end to reassemble the complete
  message from its individual segments.
- Subsequently, the sender employs the Extended Homomorphic Cryptosystem (EHC) to encrypt all segments of the complete message: m1, m2, m3, ..., etc. The encryption process yields corresponding encrypted parts: Ep(m1), Ep(m2), Ep(m3), ..., etc. Here, 'p' signifies the secret key. The sender transmits these encrypted parts, along with the message identifier (msg-id), part message identifier (msg-sp-id), and the sum of part message identifiers (msg-sp-id-sum), through separate active paths within each group.

As a result of this transmission, each group is equipped with only one encrypted part under the same message identifier and part message identifier.

On the recipient's end, the total count of encrypted segments in the complete
message is determined using the summation of part message identifiers (msg-sp-idsum) embedded within the encrypted parts.

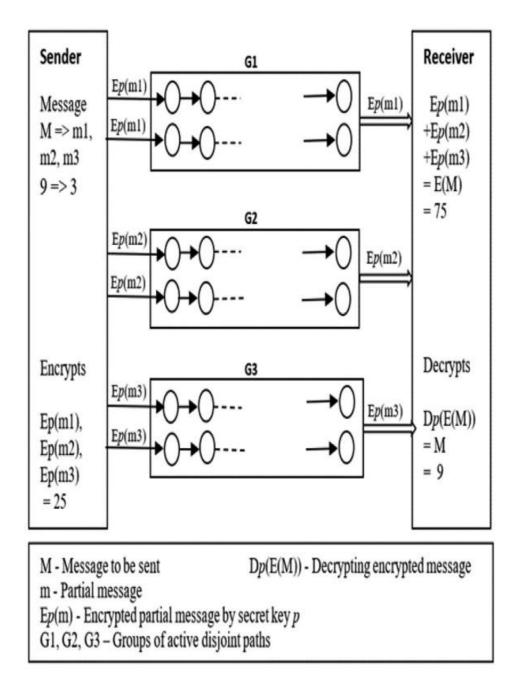


Fig. 4.1. An example of proposed scheme where n = 6 and G = 3

# 4.5 Example Scenario

- The number of disjoint paths n = 6 between the sender and receiver.
- Number of groups () is G = n / two or more paths in each group G = 6 / 2 = 3
- The entire message M = 9.
- Parts of the entire message m = M / G = 9 / 3 = 3 where m is  $m = 1 = m^2 = m^3$
- The message's id for the entire message M is msg id = 1.

- The message part ids for the message parts are msg sp id1 = 1, msg sp id2 = 2, and msg sp id3 = 3.
- So, the message part id's sum is msg sp id sum = msg sp id1 + msg sp- id2 + msg - sp - id3 = 1 + 2 + 3 = 6
- Encrypted the message parts m1, m2, m3 using EHC at the sender before sending them to the destination: We have M = 9 and m1 = m2 = m3 = 9/3 = 3

## **4.5.1 Encryption Process**

Select 
$$p = 11$$
,  $q = 7$  and  $r$  (random) = 2

Then 
$$m = p \times q = 11 \times 7 = 77$$

Ep (m1) = (m1 + r \* pq) (mod m)  
= 
$$(3 + 2*117)$$
 (mod 77) Ep (m1) = 25

And so on for m2 and m3

Ep 
$$(m2) = 25$$
 and Ep  $(m3) = 25$ 

$$E(m1) + E(m2) + E(m3) = 25 + 25 + 25 = 75 = Y$$

• Decrypt the sum of the encrypted parts of entire message to get the original message at the receiver using EHC.

# **4.5.2 Decryption Process**

$$Y = E (m1) + E (m2) + E (m3) = 75$$
 and shared key

$$p = 11 Dp (Y) = Y mod p$$

 $= 75 \mod 11 = 9 = M$  (The original message)

## 4.6 Proposed Algorithm

#### **4.6.1** The Sender Procedure

**Input:** message M, number of active disjoint paths n

**Output:** Encrypted part of message E(m)

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1: Read M, n
                                          // read the entire message and number of active
                                                     paths between source and destination.
2: Set r
                                                                     // number of required
                                                        disjoint active paths in each group.
3: Set G to n/r
                                             // G is the number of groups of disjoint paths.
4: Set m = M / G
                                                          // splitting the original message.
                                       // assign 'message id' value for the whole message.
5: Set msg-id to 1
6: msg-sp-id-sum = 0
                                              // initiate value of the sum of message parts.
7: for (i = 1; i \le G; i++)
8: Set msg-sp-id to i
                                                       // assign 'id' to part of the message.
9: Set E(m) to encrypt m
                                                            // encrypt part of the message.
10: msg-sp-id-sum + = msg-sp-id
                                                 // add to get the sum of message split ids.
11: Write msg-id, msg-sp-id, E(m) // buffer output data.
12: end for
13: Write msg-sp-id-sum
                                            // attend sum of message split ids to the buffer
                                                                                of outputs.
14: Send msg-id, msg-sp-id, msg-sp-id-sum, E(m)
                                                          //send output data to destination
4.6.2 The Receiver Procedure
Input: msg-id, msg-sp-ids, msg-sp-id-sum, encrypted message E(m)
Output: the original message M
1: Set sum = 0, E(M) = 0
2: While (sum != msg-sp-id-sum) do
3: if (msg-sp-id is duplicated) then // msg-sp-id of encrypted message is already received.
4: drop E(m)
                                                  // drop the duplicate encrypted message.
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5: else

6: add E(M)=E(M)+E(m) // add encrypted parts of message.
7: sum = sum+ msg-sp-id // add message split ids of the encrypted parts.

8: end while

9: M = decrypt E(M) // decrypt sum of the encrypted parts to get the original Message.

The time complexity of the proposed scheme is analyzed. In the Encryption Homomorphic Cryptosystem (EHC), key operations run in polynomial time, denoted as  $\lambda$ . Encryption time is T. The scheme's overhead is  $T \times \theta(G)$ , where G is the number of path groups and n is active paths.

For the sender, initialization (steps 1-5) takes  $\theta$  (1), encryption (steps 6-12) takes  $T \times \theta(G)$ , and communication (step 14) is  $\theta(G)$ . Storage for variables takes  $\theta(G)$  and  $\theta(1)$  times. The sender's computational time is  $T \times \theta(G)$ . For the receiver, initialization (step 1) is  $\theta(1)$ , addition (steps 2-8) is  $\theta(G)$ , and decryption (step 9) is O(T). Receiver's computation is less than sender. Receiver's storage is also smaller.

The initial AOMDV scheme requires  $\theta(n)$  storage for n paths, with computational complexity of O(n) due to absence of encryption or decryption. Communication complexity is also O(n) in worst case. A comparison of time complexity between the proposed scheme and original AOMDV scheme is provided in Table 4.1.

### 4.7 Financial Analysis and Budgets

- **Hardware Costs:** In this thesis implementation normal daily used personal computer is needed. So, there is no extra cost for hardware.
- **Software Costs:** All The software used for this work is totally free. Linux operating system is used, which is free.
- Labor Costs: No labour cost.
- Training Costs: No labour is needed.

Table 4.1: Comparison of time complexity between proposed scheme and the AOMDV scheme

Scheme	Memory	Encryption	Decryption	Computation	Communication
Proposed	$\theta(n) + \theta(G)$	$T \times \theta(G)$	$T \times \theta(1)$	$T \times \theta(G)$	$\theta(n)$
AOMDV	-	-	-	θ(1)	0(n)

• Operating Costs: NO operating costs.

## 4.8 Socio-Economic Impact and Sustainability

#### 4.8. 1. Socio-Economic Impact:

#### Positive Impacts:

- Enhanced Security: The thesis addresses a critical security concern (blackhole attacks) in mobile ad hoc networks, leading to increased data integrity and network reliability.
- Privacy Protection: The use of homomorphic encryption contributes to protecting users' privacy and sensitive data during communication.
- Trust Building: By mitigating blackhole attacks, users can build greater trust in the network, fostering increased adoption and usage.

#### • Community Empowerment:

The research empowers network users by providing them with a secure and reliable communication framework, which in turn enhances their digital experience.

### • Policy and Industry Implications:

- o The findings can influence network security policies and guidelines,
- o leading to better regulatory practices.

#### **4.8.2.** Economic Impact Assessment:

- Scalability: The improved data forwarding technique using homomorphic encryption could potentially be scaled to larger network deployments, ensuring its relevance in broader contexts.
- Adaptability: The encryption technique is based on a well-established cryptographic concept. It could be adapted to other security challenges, contributing to its long-term viability.

#### **CHAPTER V**

### **Simulation**

In this section, our proposed algorithm is subjected to numerical analysis. When considering that a source node possesses n separate routes to the destination, each route is modelled as a queue denoted as Qi. Each queue has an arrival rate  $\lambda$  from the source node and a service rate  $\mu$ i, as depicted in Figure 5.1. Given that a route consists of multiple nodes, the collective buffer capacity for each route equals the sum of buffers across all nodes. As such, we employ the M/M/1 queue model, assuming unlimited buffers for traffic and First-Come-First-Served (FCFS) service discipline. The structure of the queue model used for our analysis is illustrated in Figure 5.1.

## 5.1 Analytical Model of the Example Scenario

 $\lambda = 1$  packet/second,  $\mu = 2$  packets/second and packet size = 512 bytes. Waiting time W1 in Q1 just for one packet is the mean response time.

Wi = 
$$(1/\mu)/(1-\rho) = (1/2)/(1-0.5) = 1$$
 sec

From our proposal, dividing the first packet for sending it into M/M/1 queues and the capacity of each queue is one packet per second, so the source sends three packets to utilize the whole size of the queue. 4, 096 bits / 3 (# of groups) = 1, 365 bits

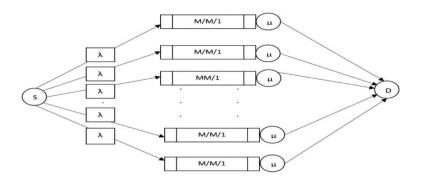


Fig. 5.1. Queue model for proposed protocol

**Table 5.1**. Comparing the throughput from the simulation

Number of malicious nodes	Numerical results	Simulation results
0	24.57	71
1	20.47	61
2	16.38	59
3	12.28	38
4	8.19	34

**Table 5.2**. Simulation parameters

Simulator	Network Simulator 2.35
Number of nodes	100
Malicious nodes	0, 1, 2, 3, 4
Area	1100 m × 1100 m
Communication range	250 m
Packet size	512 bytes
Interface type	Phy/Wireless phy
MAC type	IEEE 802.11
Queue length	50 packets
Propagation type	TwoRayGround
Routing protocol	AOMDV
Transport agent	UDP
Application agent	CBR
Traffic rate	1 kbps
Simulation time	900 s
Simulation time	900 s

Analyzing the M/M/1 queue model with Poisson arrivals (exponential inter-arrival times) and exponential service times requires two key parameters: the mean arrival rate  $\lambda$  and the mean service rate  $\mu$ . The ratio  $\lambda/\mu$  is referred to as the utilization factor or traffic intensity, denoted as  $\rho$ . The queue remains stable when  $\rho$  is less than 1. Here are the fundamental properties of the M/M/1 queue model.

#### **CHAPTER VI**

### **Performance evaluation**

This section presents simulation results for performance evaluation. It starts by explaining the simulation methodology and performance metrics. Subsequently, the obtained simulation results are provided below:

### **6.1 Performance Methodology And Performance Metrics**

We conducted a simulation using the NS-2 network simulator. The AOMDV protocol was adapted to simulate our proposed scheme while introducing malicious nodes. Our simulation consisted of 100 nodes, with some of them behaving as blackhole nodes. Each node's initial position was defined within a  $1100 \times 1100$  m simulation area. Packets were generated using Constant Bit Rate (CBR) with a uniform size of 512 bytes for all mobile nodes. The nodes exhibited a mobility rate of 10 meters per second, and the simulation was run for a duration of 900 seconds. The IEEE 802.11 MAC protocol was employed. Details of the simulation parameters can be found in Table 3. To evaluate the simulation of the original AOMDV and the proposed scheme four metics have been considered.

• Packet delivery ratio (%): the proportion of the total number of packets reached the destination over the number of packets sent by the source.

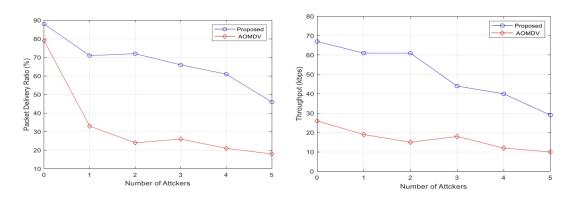


Fig. 6.1. Packet delivery ratio (%)

Fig. 6.2. Throughput as a function of nodes

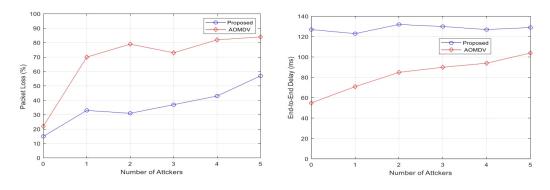


Fig. 6.3. Packet loss as a function

Fig. 6.4. End-to-end delay

- Throughput (bits/sec): the amount of data successfully received at the destination per second.
- Packet loss (%): the average number of lost packets during the data transmission process.
- Average end-to-end delay (sec): the time taken for a packet to reach the destination from the source node

#### **6.2 Simulation Results**

### **6.2.1 Packet Delivery Ratio**

Referring to Figure 6.1, a comparison is made between our proposed scheme and the original AOMDV protocol regarding packet delivery ratio (PDR) in the presence of malicious nodes (blackhole attackers). As the number of attackers increases, the PDR decreases in the original AOMDV scheme. However, in AOMDV, beyond the first attacker, additional attackers have limited impact due to the use of a single path at a time. In contrast, our proposed scheme maintains PDR by ensuring that the original data is received through any available path from the group. This preserves data integrity even in the presence of malicious nodes. Notably, the PDR significantly decreases in the original AOMDV when malicious nodes are introduced, while our proposed scheme manages to maintain a relatively high PDR even with malicious nodes. The effectiveness of our proposed method in preserving packet delivery performance is evident when compared to the original approach.

### 6.2.2 Throughput

In Figure 6.2, a comparison of throughput between the schemes is shown in relation to the presence of malicious nodes (blackhole attackers). Both schemes experience a reduction in data successfully received at the destination per second when an active attacker exists, given the prolonged data transmission duration. Despite this, our proposed scheme maintains a higher throughput compared to the original AOMDV scheme due to its superior packet delivery ratio (PDR) when the number of attackers rises. While our proposed scheme might take longer for packet delivery, its increased reliability in delivering packets with an elevated number of malicious nodes is evident. The observed trend reveals that our proposed scheme consistently achieves higher throughput compared to the original scheme for packet transmission.

#### **6.2.3 Packet loss**

Figure 6.3 illustrates a comparison of packet loss between the schemes concerning the quantity of blackhole attackers. Generally, in multipath routing protocols, an increase in active attackers corresponds to amplified packet loss. In the original AOMDV protocol, the effect on packet loss is minimal when attackers exceed one for a single data transmission. This is due to the scheme employing just a single path at a time. Consequently, the initial attacker in the path has a substantial impact, and subsequent attackers do not significantly influence it, as the encrypted message is already dropped. Conversely, the proposed protocol experiences the impact of multiple attackers, given its simultaneous utilization of multiple paths. While our proposed scheme does exhibit increased data loss with more malicious nodes, it still delivers nearly the entire packet to the destination by distributing it across numerous paths. This approach ensures complete delivery through secure paths, even in the presence of multiple attackers.

### **6.2.4 End-to-end Delay**

Figure 6.4 depicts a comparison of end-to-end delay between the two schemes with respect to the number of blackhole attackers. The delay is observed to be greater in our proposed scheme in comparison to the original AOMDV scheme as the count of malicious nodes rises. This is attributed to the more intricate procedures and security mechanisms embedded in the proposed scheme. While our proposed scheme achieves improved data delivery compared to alternative methods with an increased number of malicious nodes.

#### **CHAPTER VII**

### **Conclusion**

This paper introduces an enhanced AOMDV scheme designed to enhance the reliability and security of data transmission within Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs) in the presence of malicious nodes. The proposed approach achieves this by distributing message components across multiple paths and employing homomorphic encryption for cryptographic protection. Simulation results demonstrate the superiority of the proposed scheme, yielding higher packet delivery ratios and throughput. These advancements are particularly valuable for critical applications in MANETs, especially in emergency scenarios. Furthermore, the proposed scheme demonstrates a high success rate in ensuring packet delivery to the intended destination, primarily due to the utilization of numerous active paths within each network group.

Future research will focus on reducing the end-to-end delay of this scheme, with the aim of implementing it effectively in emergency applications within Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs).

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