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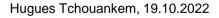
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Fahrzeugvernetzung – V2X

Lecture 3: Geographic Routing and Forwarding





Previous Lecture

- ► Facilities Layer
- ► Cooperative Awareness (CA) Basic Service
- ► Decentralized Environmental Notification (DEN) Basic Service
- ► Message Type and Structure

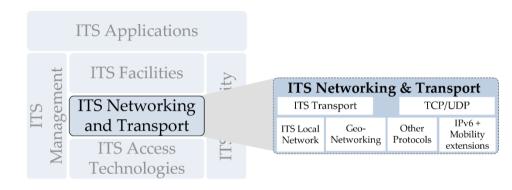


Outline

- ► Geographic Networking (GeoNetworking)
- ► Addressing Methods
- ► Forwarding Algorithms
- ► Location Service
- ► Duplicate Packet Detection Technique



GeoNetworking (1/2)



- ► Network-layer protocol for mobile ad hoc communication based on wireless technology
- Enables a communication in mobile environments without the need for a coordinating infrastructure (e.g. road side unit)
- ► **Geographical positions** are used for dissemination of information and transport of data packets
 - ► No IP addressing
- ► Communication over **multiple wireless hops** could be achieved
 - Nodes in the network can forward data packets to extend the communication range



GeoNetworking (2/2)

- ▶ Works connectionless and fully distributed based on ad hoc network concepts, with intermittent or even without infrastructure access
- ► Adequate for **highly mobile network** nodes and frequent changes in the network
- ► Multi-hop dissemination of packets in geographical regions for
 - ▶ emergency warnings
 - ▶ unicast packet transport for Internet applications



Functions provided by GeoNetworking

▶ Geographical addressing

- ► Unlike addressing in **conventional networks**, in which a node has a communication name linked to its identity (e.g. **a node's IP address**)
- ▶ Data packets are sent to a node by its position or to multiple nodes in a geographical region

► Geographical forwarding

- ▶ Process of transporting information from a source towards its geographical destination
- ► Forwarding usually involves **intermediate nodes** that relay data packets on behalf of the source



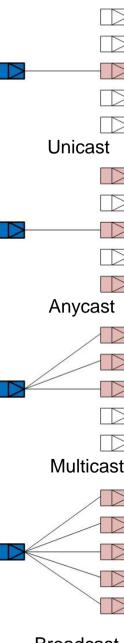
Geographical Addressing

- ► A station can select and specify a **well-delimited geographic area** to which messages should be delivered
- ► Intermediate stations serve as message relays (forwarder) and only the stations located within the target area process the message and further send it to corresponding applications
 - ► Only stations that are actually affected by a dangerous situation or a traffic notification are notified
 - ► Stations unaffected by the event are not targeted



Addressing Methods

- ▶ Unicast: one-to-one
 - Packets are delivered to a single, specific node uniquely identified by a destination address
- Anycast: one-to-one-of-many
 - Packets are delivered to at least one member of a distinct group sharing common criteria
- ► Multicast: one-to-many-of-many
 - Packets are sent to all members of a group
- Broadcast: one-to-all
 - Packets are delivered to all nodes in a certain network
- GeoNetworking
 - Packets are delivered to a group of destination nodes by their geographical locations



Broadcast

Geographical Forwarding

▶ Prerequisites:

- ► Every node has a **partial view** of the network topology in its vicinity
- ► Every packet carries a **geographical address**, such as the **geographical position** or **geographical area** as the destination
- ▶ When a node receives a data packet, it compares the geo-address in the data packet and the node's view on the network topology, and makes an autonomous forwarding decision
- ► Packets are forwarded without need for setup and maintenance of routing tables in the nodes



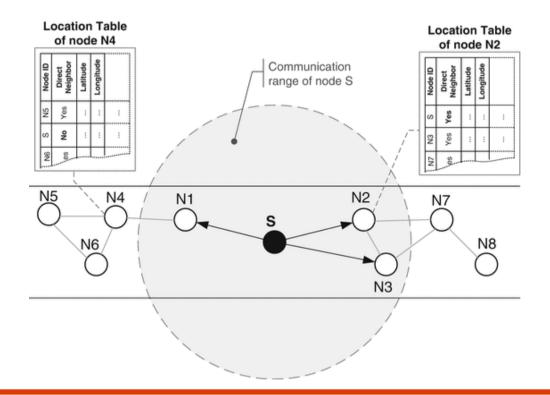
GeoNetworking Beaconing (1/2)

- ▶ In GeoNetworking each mobile node has to periodically inform neighbors about its presence by periodically broadcasting a specific packet called GeoNetworking Beacon (Similar to CAM)
- ▶ Beacons are used to build a Location Table (LT) which can be consulted at any time to know the neighboring nodes and their locations
- ► Location Table is populated not only with information about direct neighbors, i.e. those that are located within one hop communication range but also with farther neighbors, i.e. those located at two-hops distance and more
 - ► In contrary to CAM content which are not forwarded



GeoNetworking Beaconing (2/2)

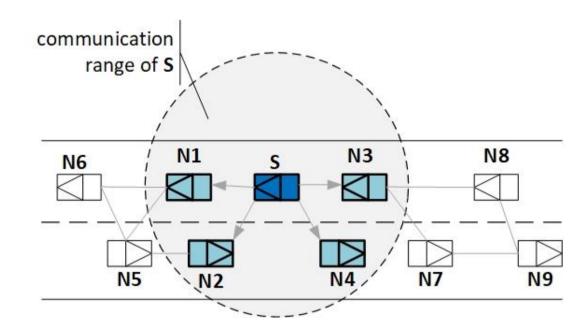
- ► S is surrounded by direct neighbors (N1–N3) as well as non-direct neighbors (N4–N8)
 - ▶ Direct neighbors are inserted into the Location Table of S as soon as a beacon is received from them, while non-direct neighbors are added to the LT of S only if a packet that contains the location information of that neighbor is received





Single-Hop Broadcast (SHB)

- ► Sender S reaches only **neighbor nodes (N1-N4)** within its communication range
- ► It used by safety applications that require fast information dissemination in the surrounding space
 - ► E.g. CAM-based applications
- ► Transmitted packet is never forwarded by the receivers

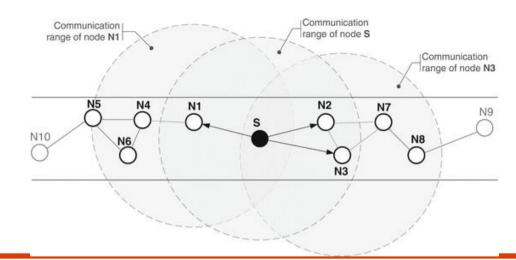




Topological Scoped Broadcast (TSB)

- TSB rebroadcasts a packet from a source to all nodes in the n-hop neighborhood
 - ➤ Single-hop broadcast (SHB) is a specific case of topologically-scoped broadcast, which is used to send packets only to one-hop neighborhood
- ► If as same packet reaches a destination or an intermediate node through different neighbors (i.e., different forwarders), only the very first packet is processed, and all the other duplicates are just dropped
 - ► Sequence Number (SN) is used to detect duplicate packets
 - ► Prevent/limit broadcast storm which may result to severe network congestion

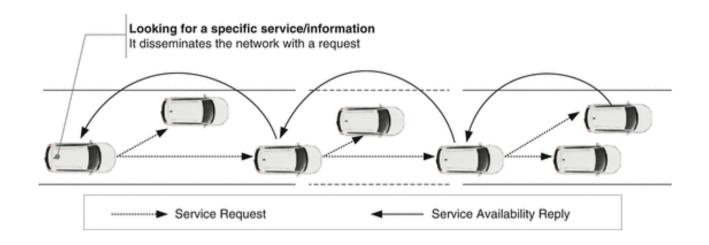
2-hop TSB scenario





TSB Scenario

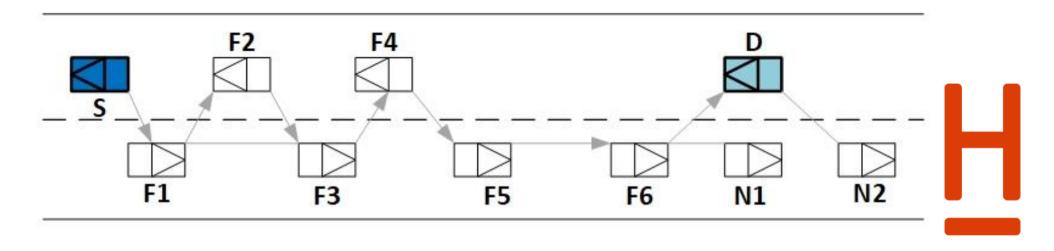
- ► A vehicle using topological broadcast communication to **search** for a wanted service or information within the **surrounding environment**
- ▶ A request for the specific service is disseminated to far-away neighbors through multihop forwarding
 - ▶ not only to those stations within the communication range





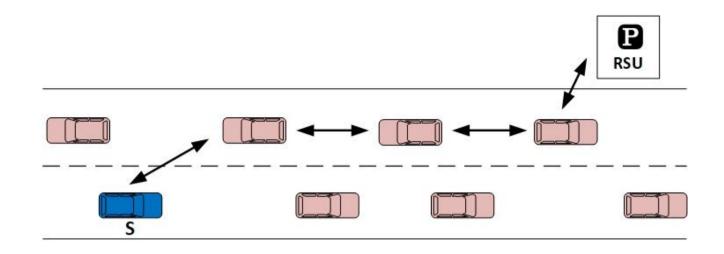
GeoUnicast

- ► GeoUnicast addresses a single and specific station
 - ► When a station wishes to send a unicast packet, it first determines the destination's position and then
 - ▶ forwards the data packet to a station towards the destination,
 - ▶ which in turn **re-forwards** the packet along the **path**
 - ▶ until the packet reaches the **destination**



GeoUnicast Scenario

- ► A multi-hop communication based on GeoUnicast exchange of packets between a vehicle and a parking lot
 - ► A vehicle communication with a parking lot to check parking availability
 - ► Vehicle S sends a **request** for parking reservation
 - ► Parking RSU **replies** to confirm the parking availability along with a reservation number





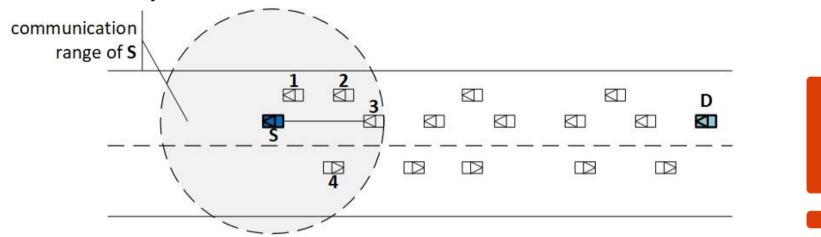
GeoUnicast Forwarding Algorithms

- ► The GeoUnicast forwarding algorithm is executed by a forwarding station to relay a packet to the next hop
- ► Two basic approaches to select the next hop
 - ➤ Sender-based: Explicit selection of a next hop by the current forwarder
 - ► Receiver-based: Implicit selection of a forwarder among all candidates through a decentralized coordination function
 - ► Greedy Forwarding (GF) algorithm
 - ► It follows a sender-based forwarding scheme
 - ► Contention-based forwarding algorithm (CBF)
 - ► It follows a received-based forwarding scheme



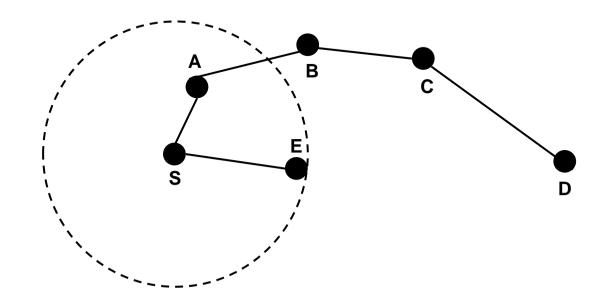
Greedy Forwarding Algorithm (GF)

- ► Each station that needs to forward a packet **explicitly selects the next hop** among all its known **neighbors**
- ► Forwarding station uses the location information of the destination carried in the packet header and selects one of the neighbors as the next hop
- ► Most Forward within fixed Radius (MFR) policy is used:
 - ▶ It selects the neighbor with the **smallest geographical distance to the destination**, thus providing **the greatest progress** when the packet is forwarded (e.g. station 3)
 - ► If no neighbor with greater progress than the local forwarding station exists, the packet has reached a **local optimum**



GF Limitation – Local Minimum

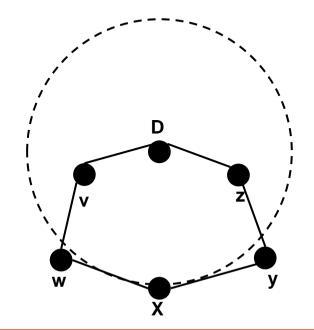
- ► Node E is closer to D than A
- ► S will not choose to forward to A using GF
- ► Although the path $S \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D$ exists
- ► E is a **local minimum** in its proximity to D
- ► Right hand rule is used to solve this issue





GF Limitation – Local Maximum

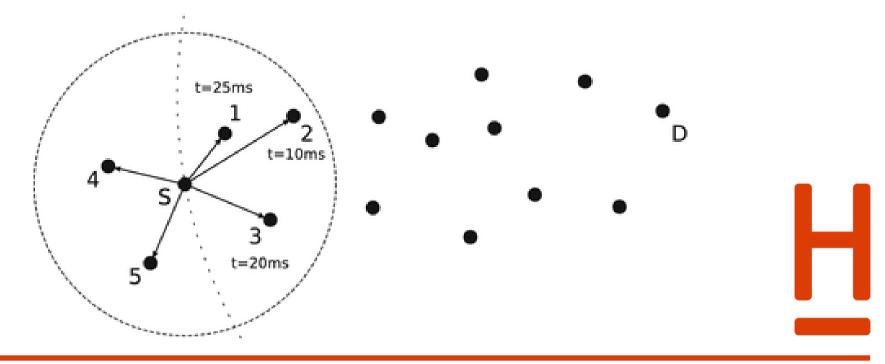
- ► Node X is closer to D than its neighbors w and y
- ▶ D has a radius equal to the distance between x and D
- ► Although two paths $(X \rightarrow y \rightarrow z \rightarrow D)$ and $(X \rightarrow w \rightarrow v \rightarrow D)$ exist
- ➤ X will not choose to forward to w or y using GF
- ► X is a **local maximum** in its proximity to D
- ► Right hand rule will also solve this issue





Contention-based Forwarding (CBF) (1/3)

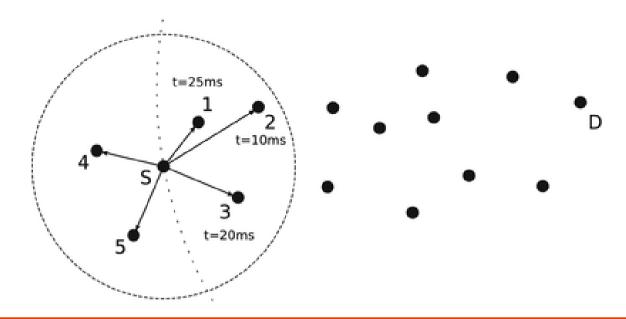
- ► Receiver decides to be a forwarder of a packet
- ► In contrast to the GF which is a **sender-based forwarding** where the sender determines the next hop
- ► The CBF uses a timer-based re-broadcasting with overhearing of duplicates
 - ► Enabling an **implicit forwarding** of a packet by the **optimal station**



Contention-based Forwarding (CBF) (2/3)

► Steps:

- Forwarding node transmits the packet as a single-hop broadcast to all neighbors
- 2. All neighbors, which receive the packet, process it
- 3. The packet is buffered in CBF packet buffer and a timer is started
- 4. Upon expiration of the timeout, the forwarding station re-broadcasts the packet





Contention-based Forwarding (CBF) (3/3)

► The timeout is **inversely proportional** to the **distance** between the **forwarding** position and the **destination's** positions *d*

$$T = \begin{cases} T_{\min} + \frac{T_{\max} - T_{\min}}{D_{\max}} \times d & \text{for } d \leq D_{\max} \\ T_{\min} & \text{for } d > D_{\max} \end{cases}$$

- $ightharpoonup T_{\min}$ is the minimum duration the packet shall be buffered $T_{\min} = 1 \text{ ms}$
- $ightharpoonup T_{\text{max}}$ is the maximum duration the packet shall be buffered $T_{\text{max}} = 100 \, \text{ms}$
- ▶ D_{max} is the theoretical maximum communication range $D_{\text{max}} = 1000 \text{ meter}$
- ▶ Before the timer expires, the forwarding may receive a duplicate of the packet from an another forwarding station with a **shorter timeout**, i.e. with a smaller distance to the destination
 - In this case, the forwarding station inspects its packet buffer, stops the timer and removes the packet from the packet buffer



Greedy vs. Contention-based Forwarding

- Greddy Forwarding (GF)
 - Simple and efficient use of the communication channel
 - Selection of a specific node can have negative consequences for reliability
 - Packets get lost when next hop moved out of transmission range or disappeared
 - Sensitive to packet losses

- ► Contention-based Forwarding (CBF)
 - Reliability mechanism ensures that a packets is re-forwarded by an alternative forwarder
 - ► Implicit reliability mechanism at the cost of larger forwarding delay and increased channel usage
 - Reliability ensures also in the case an optimal forwarder does not receive the packet, e.g. due to packet losses

Location Service (LS)

- ➤ The **location service** is used if a forwarder needs to determine the position of another forwarder. This is the case when a **GeoUnicast packet** is sent from the source to the destination, and the source does not have **the position information** for the **destination** in its location table
- ► LS provides **updated** and **accurate localization** information of the destination node which is at least required by the **GeoUnicast addressing**
 - ► Topology of the vehicular network changes frequently and quickly
- ▶ Whenever the location information of the destination node is either unknown or outdated
 - ► Location Service (LS) is used to determine the most updated location of the destination node
 - ► LS resides on **top of the forwarding functions** and can therefore use any forwarding type

Location Service Mechanisms

- Two main mechanisms:
 - **▶** Reactive
 - ► Location service request is triggered whenever needed (on-demand)
 - **▶** Proactive
 - ► Location information of relevant nodes (or destinations) is kept updated locally through periodic exchange of control packets



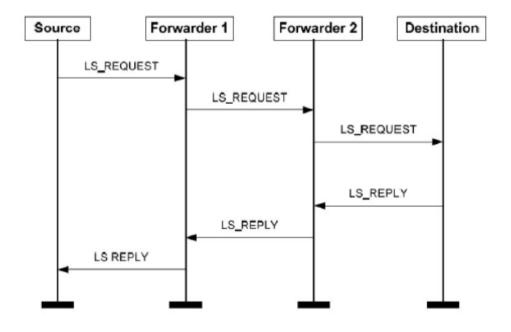
Reactive Location Service (RLS)

- ► Each node in the network maintains locally a location table in which an entry is updated on **on-demand fashion**
 - ➤ When receiving a packet from a direct or a faraway neighbor node and this packet carries **the updated location information** of that node, the receiver updates the related entry in its location table
 - ▶ When a GeoUnicast communication needs to be initiated, the source node looks-up the location of its destination from the location table



Reactive Location Service (RLS)

▶ If the location table does not contain an updated entry for the desired destination node, then a LS request is flooded in the network to trigger a location reply from the wanted destination node itself or any other node in the network that knows the location of the wanted node





Proactive Simple Location Service (SLS)

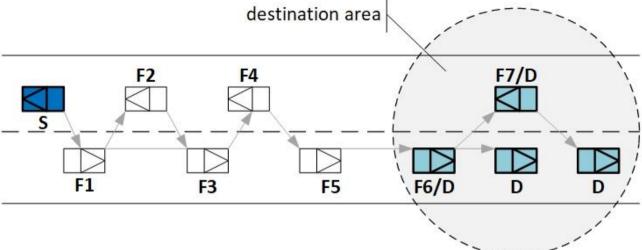
- ► Every node in the network keeps **transmitting periodically** at a certain rate its location information as well as that of **its neighbors to all nodes in the neighborhood** and at a lower rate to faraway neighbors
- ► The most updated location information is available at any time when needed
- ▶ BUT, a high number of control packets need to be flooded in the network to maintain the location information updated at each node → Overload of the network



GeoBroadcast

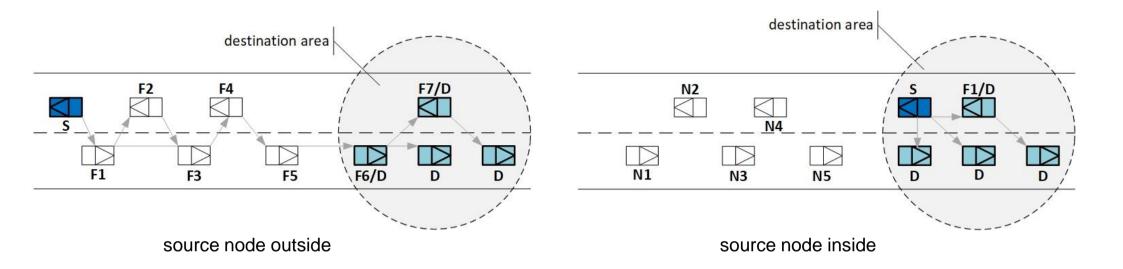
- ► GeoBroadcast addresses all (broadcast) stations within a specific destination area
- ► A **location service** to calculate the location of the destination nodes is **not required**, as the information of the destination area is known at source node

► Roadwork warning application which triggers a GeoBroadcast communication to disseminate the area surrounding the segment of road which is relevant to the road work



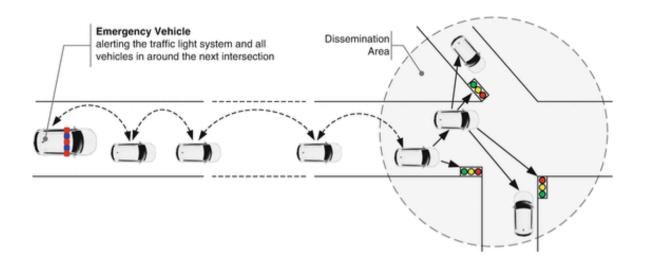
GeoBroadcast

- ▶ The source node can be located either inside or outside the destination area.
- ► Stations may rebroadcast the packet if they are located inside the **destination area**



GeoBroadcast Scenario

- ► An emergency vehicle would inform all relevant vehicles located around the next road intersection about its arrival to allow a smooth and safe intersection crossing
- ► The information about the approaching emergency vehicle is disseminated to all nodes within the destination area, including both vehicles and traffic lights
- ► The packet is forwarded through **intermediate forwarders** till it reaches a vehicle or a roadside unit inside the targeted area, then **broadcast within that area**





GeoBroadcast Forwarding Algorithms

- ► The **GeoBroadcast forwarding algorithm** is executed by a forwarding station to relay a packet to the next hop
- ► Two basic approaches to select the next hop
 - ► Simple GeoBroadcast forwarding algorithm
 - ► Advanced GeoBroadcast forwarding algorithm

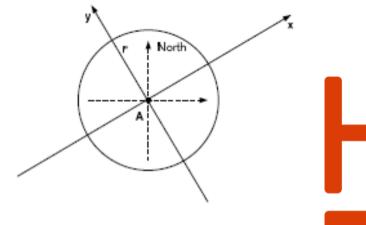


Simple GeoBroadcast Forwarding Algorithm

- ▶ A function F(x, y) is used to determine whether a forwarder with position P(x, y) is located inside, at the border or outside the geographical target area
 - ▶ If the forwarder is inside or at the border of the area, the packet shall be rebroadcasted
 - ▶ If it is outside the area, the packet shall be forwarded by the GF algorithm

$$F(x,y) \begin{cases} = 1 & \text{for } x = 0 \text{ and } y = 0 \text{ (at the centre point)} \\ > 0 & \text{inside the geographical area} \\ = 0 & \text{at the border of the geographical area} \\ < 0 & \text{outside the geographical area} \end{cases}$$

► $F(x,y) = 1 - \left(\frac{x}{r}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{y}{r}\right)^2$ for a circular destination area



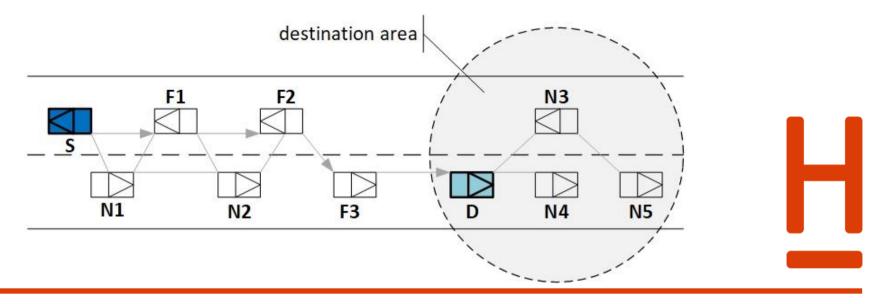
Advanced GeoBroadcast Forwarding Algorithm

- ▶ It relies on three main mechanisms
 - 1. **CBF** is used to deal with uncertainties by potential reception failures caused by node mobility, fading phenomena and packet collisions on the wireless medium
 - 2. To minimize the forwarding delay, CBF is **complemented with the selection of one specific forwarder at the sender**, referred to as next hop
 - ▶ Upon reception of the packet, the next hop in case of correct reception forwards the message immediately
 - ► No need to wait until the timer expires
 - 3. The reliability of the dissemination process is increased by a **controlled packet retransmission scheme** within the geographical target area



GeoAnycast

- ► While GeoBroadcast targets **all nodes** within the destination area, the GeoAnycast target **only one node** within the destination area
- ➤ The packet is **forwarded till it reaches a first node inside** the destination area (so far similar to GeoBroadcast), and then stops at that first node as it is considered as the **destination node**
- ► A location service to calculate the location of the destination node **is not required**, as the information of the destination area is known at source node



Duplicated Packet Detection (1/2)

- ► A station can receive **multiple copies** of the same packet
 - ► The same packet from multiple stations can be forwarded
- ▶ Packets are labeled with a sequence number (SN) and timestamp (TS) after generation
- ► GeoNetworking protocol uses following mechanisms to control/prevent the forwarding of duplicate packets
 - ► Sequence number and timestamp-based
 - Forwarding station maintains the SN and TS of the last packet from the originating
 - ► A duplicated packet is detected and not forwarded if
 - ► SN of the last packet matched with the SN of the current packet, and
 - ► TS of the last packet matched with the TS of the current packet
 - Applies for multi-hop packets: Topological-scoped Broadcast, Geobroadcast, GeoAnycast, and GeoUnicast

Duplicated Packet Detection (2/2)

- **▶** Timestamp-based
 - ► A duplicated packet is detected and not forwarded if
 - ► TS of the last packet matched with the TS of the current packet
 - ► Applies for packets that do not carry a **SN field**, i.e. single-hop packets (beacon)
- ► Remarks:
 - ► GeoNetworking does not provide packet re-ordering
 - ▶ Out-of-sequence packets are discarded



Challenges of Geographic Routing in V2X Networks

- ► High **dynamic** topology of V2X-networks
- Communication links often exist only for a short moment and can suffer from significant fluctuations during their lifetime
- ➤ Traditional routing protocols based on **link state information** to determine end-toend paths require a **massive overhead** to distribute link state updates
- A globally available metric defining how to get closer to the destination is required.



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