COMP9332 Network Routing and Switching Solution of Self-assessed Tutorial for Geographic Routing

- **Q1.** Geographically, the shortest path between the source and destination is the straight line (assuming a flat terrain) connecting them. Does Greedy Forwarding lead to such shortest paths? Why or why not?
- **A1.** Not necessarily. Greedy Forwarding attempts to find a path that minimizes the number of hops, even if it means taking a slight detour from the straight line between the source and the destination.
- **Q2.** For a given communication, the source is located at (0,0) and the destination at (15,0). There are four other nodes at the following locations:

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N1 at (2,0)
N2 at (5/\sqrt{2},5/\sqrt{2})
N3 at (6,0), and
N4 at (10,0)
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For a radio range of 5 units, what would be the path taken by a packet if Greedy Forwarding is used?

- A2. Source N2-N3-N4-Destination
- **Q3.** There are four wireless nodes, A, B, C, and D, scattered around a field. Each node has a wireless range of 100 meters. Assume that node B is going to forward a packet to node A. For which of the following location combinations (x and y coordinates are shown in parenthesis next to the node IDs) B is going to face a VOID?
 - a) A=(10,120), B=(10,0), C=(-60,0), D=(80,0)
 - b) A=(10,120), B=(10,0), C=(-50,0), D=(70,0)
- **A3.** Both a) and b)
- **Q4.** There are four wireless nodes, A, B, C, D, and E, located at (100,120), (100,0), (30,0), (170,0), and (30,-5), respectively. Each node has a wireless range of 100 meters. Assume that node B is going to forward a packet to node A. For the next-hop forwarding, will basic geographic routing (Greedy Mode) work, or B needs to switch to the Perimeter Mode (explain your answer)?
- **A4.** No, basic Greedy Mode will fail because B faces a void. B will switch to the Perimeter Mode.
- **Q5.** For the previous question, if B switches to the Perimeter Mode, what would be the next hop (which node B will forward the packet to)? Explain your answer.
- **A5.** B will forward the packet to C (BC is the first edge counter-clockwise around BA).