

UNIT-IV

Mobile Ad-Hoc Networks : Concept

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Ad-Hoc Network

- Sometimes an user may be interested in using a laptop computer **without making routing functions** via global internet.
- For such cases internet protocol (Mobile IP) not required.
- Thus the **mobile computer users can be allowed to set up a short lived network with wireless communication devices**, for a particular moment.
- This network is known as **Ad-Hoc network**
- **It is independent of infrastructure.**
- **Thus even when there is no infrastructure available an adhoc network can be formed.**



Ad-Hoc Network

- The wireless devices are able to communicate with each other in ad-hoc networking, even there is no,
- Routers or
- Base stations
- Internet service providers

Characteristics of Ad-Hoc networks (MANET)

- **Topology of ad-hoc network is dynamic in nature** and changes in their topology is possible. But frequent changes can be avoided to achieve high throughput
- Due to wireless transmission their physical security is limited
- **Capacity is lower** when compared with wired networks
- Experience **high loss rates, higher delays**
- **They use either exhaustible power supply or batteries. In network design it is very important to consider power saving.**
- **It supports all seven OSI layers.**



Characteristics of Ad-Hoc networks (MANET)

- **Designing Ad-Hoc having high complexity** with physical layer setups. (In mobile computing base station will taken care physical layer setups).
- **Information's related with network destiny, link failures,** nodes distributions has to be clearly defined for adhoc networks.
- **Adhoc network is independent of any central control or infrastructure.**
- To obtain a better network structure it is important that the MAC layer and network layer should collaborate with each other

Advantages of Ad-Hoc networks (MANET)

- **Instant infrastructure** in case of sudden meetings, unplanned interpersonal communications, disaster, etc. Planned infrastructure is not required.
- **Remote area networking:** in sparsely populated areas where infrastructure setup is difficult. Adhoc networks can be established.
- **Effective system:** ad-hoc is packet oriented network setup, less expensive and effective.