AODV Project

Instructions:

To run the project execute the command *make aodv.sim*. To send a request message click the button on the source node.

Approach:

Our implementation follows the approach described in [1].

Note:

For all the cases below, the destination node is hardcoded to node8 from any source node.

Testing scenarios

Case01: Source node wants to communicate with destination

Source node will broadcast a message to its neighbour, if the neighbour node contains the route of the destination node in its routing table, it returns a route in the unicast message to the source node. If the route is not present in its table, it will broadcast to its neighbouring nodes until the destination nodes have reached. Once the destination node has reached, the destination node prepares the return request, and instead of broadcasting the return route, it sends the unicast response to its neighbour until it reaches the source node.

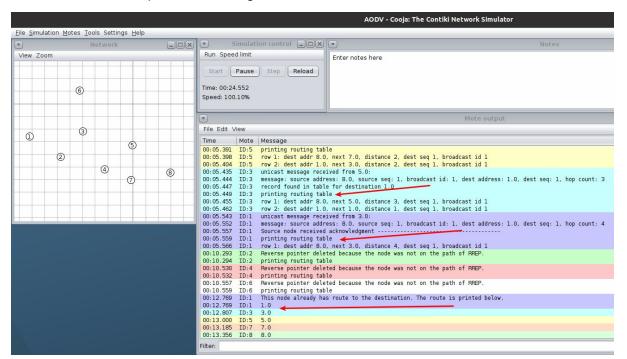


Figure 01

In the Figure1, node1 wants to communicate with node8, node1 will broadcast request (RReq) to its neighbouring nodes (node2 and node3). The neighbouring nodes will broadcast the request to their neighbouring nodes till the request reaches the node8. Upon receiving the request, node8 will prepare the reply packet (RRep) and unicast it backward to the nodes till it reaches the source node1. The node1 will add the entry to its routing table and print the path to the destination in the end.

Case02: Route to destination return by intermediate node

In this case, if another node asks for the route of the destination node. It will ask for the route from its neighbouring nodes by broadcasting the request. If its neighbouring nodes contain the destination route, it will return it to the source node; instead of rebroadcasting the request to the whole network.

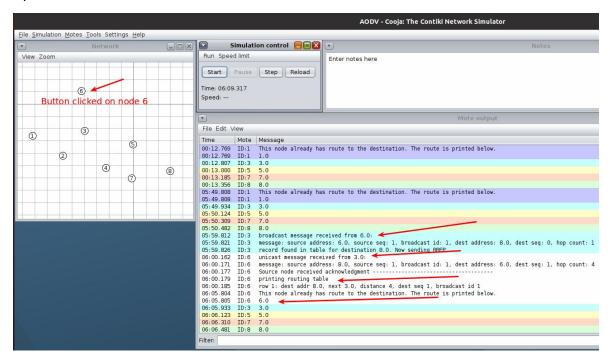


Figure 2

As illustrated in Figure 2, the node6 asks for the route for the node8. It will broadcast the request to its neighbour node3. As node3 already contains the route of node8 in its route table, it will return the route to source node (node6).

Case03: Remove the intermediate node

If one of the intermediate nodes is removed from the network, while the source node communicates with the destination node, the node that finds the broken link will propagate the error message up to the source node and sets the *hop count* to infinity for all nodes in that path. If the source node still wants to send the request to the destination node, it will again send a broadcast request for the new route to its destination with an incremented destination's *sequence number*.

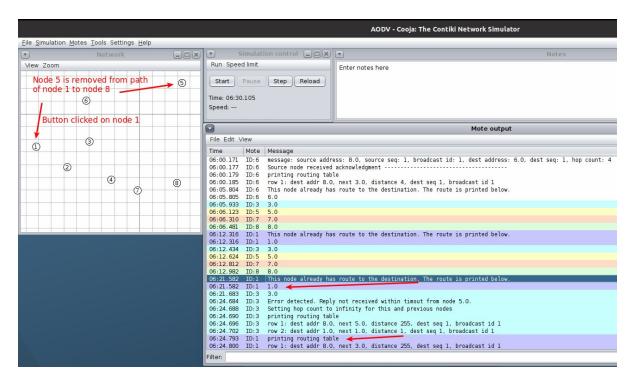


Figure 03

The intermediate node (node5) is removed from the network, so the path between the node1 and node8 is broken. It's shown in Figure3, as the node (node3) discovers the broken link in next-hop, it will generate the error(RERR) and propagate it backwards until it reaches the source node (node1) and sets the *hop count* to infinity (maximum integer value, i.e. 255) of all the nodes in the path.

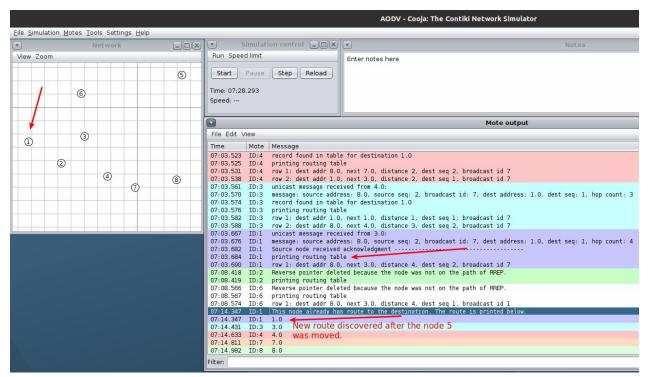


Figure 04

If the source node (node1) still wants to access the destination node (node8) it will restart the route's discovery (on clicking the button again) and increment the destination's sequence number. Then the new route is discovered to reach the destination.

References

1. Perkins, C. E., & Royer, E. M. (1999). Ad-hoc on-demand distance vector routing. *Proceedings - WMCSA'99: 2nd IEEE Workshop on Mobile Computing Systems and Applications*, 90–100. https://doi.org/10.1109/MCSA.1999.749281