

Utilization of Buffer size by modifying Spray and Wait protocol in VDTN

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Abstract—VDTNs have dynamic topology due to vehicles' speed; transfer depends on opportunity and small contact duration. Routing in such sparse and opportunistic network is challenging task as it has direct effect on the performance of network. In Spray and Wait protocol, source node transfers X message copies to first X encounter nodes. Then these X nodes go into wait phase for direct transmission to its destination. It has two modes: Normal mode and Binary mode. The aim of this paper is to enhance the performance of network by modifying existing binary spray and wait routing protocol in terms of main three parameters: Delivery probability, overhead ratio and latency. In this paper we offer proposed flow chart and algorithm for modified spray and wait protocol. The modifications are done based on ratio of number of message copies at sender/relay nodes and encountered nodes. For analysis, series of simulations are done in ONE simulator with version of 1.4.1.

Key Words: VDTN, Spray and Wait, ONE simulator

I. INTRODUCTION

VDTNs are partitioned and sparse networks where communication is depend on contact opportunities. Routing in such opportunistic environment is challenging task that has direct effect on overall performance of the network.

Characteristics of routing protocol for Opportunistic networks:

- It should create less contention under high traffic.
- It should have high delivery probability than other single and multi-copy based routing protocols.
- It should be highly ascendable, means maintain its performance regardless of changes in network parameters.

- Require as little network information as possible, for implementation.

Spray and wait protocol is simple and proficient and justifies all above goals. It is based on flooding strategy. It creates X number of message copies. Where, X is the number of nodes in the network. It has two modes: Normal mode and Binary mode.

(1)**Spray and Wait Normal mode:** Spray and Wait Routing consists of the following two phases: It is based on two Phases, **Spray phase** and **Wait phase**. In Spray phase the Sender forwards X message copies to the first X nodes and comes into Wait phase. In Wait phase all nodes with a single message copy attempts for direct transmission to the destination node.

(2)**Spray and Wait Binary mode:** In this mode, the source node starts with X message copies; any node A that has $m > 1$ message copies (source or relay), and makes a contact with another node B that has no message copy. Than node A gives $m/2$ copies to node B and keeps $m/2$ for itself. Whenever it has only one copy, it shifts to direct transmission.

The Spray and Wait Protocol accomplishes to expressively reduce the transmission overhead of flooding-based techniques and have superior performance with respect to delivery probability in most network scenarios. This is mostly marked when conflict for the wireless network is high. Further, it does not have need of any network information and past encounters history.

II. MODIFIED SPRAY AND WAIT PROTOCOL

For performance enhancement we have two ways. First is by modifying value of performance parameter and second is by modifying existing routing protocol. In paper, for performance enhancement of the network we are going to make modifications in already available Binary mode spray and wait routing protocol and made a comparison

between Binary spray and wait routing protocol and modified spray and wait protocol.

As already mentioned in previous section, In Binary spray and wait protocol the source node initially starts with X number of message copies. When it make a contact with first node(no copies) then it gives 50% (X/2) message copies to that node and keeps 50% (X/2) message copies for itself. This process is repeated until the node is left single message copy, then it goes into wait phase and wait for the direct delivery to its destination.

In modified spray and wait protocol, this 50-50 % ratio in binary spray and wait is replaced with 65-65% and 75-75% ratios. Detailed information about this modification is provided in below section. Due to this modification, dissemination more number of message copies can be achieved in network for each new created message. So, there are more chances of successful delivery. Hence, this will increase the delivery probability.

III. ALGORITHM AND FLOWCHART

This section contains detailed information regarding algorithm for both 65-65% modification ratio and 75-75% modification ratio and flowchart is given in below.

Algorithm:

- 1) Set initial number of copies (X)
- 2) Check any node contact occurs or not?
- 3) If yes
 - Transfer 65% or 75% of X number of message copies to contact node and Set source node with 65% or 75% of message copies.
- 4) Else
 - Go to step 5
- 5) Check if source/relay node is left with only one message copy (=1) or not?
- 6) If yes
 - Direct deliver the message copy to destination.
- 7) Else
 - Repeat steps from 2 to 5

The modified spray and wait protocol-1 (modified with 65-65 % ratio) and modify spray and wait protocol-2 (modified with 75-75 % ratio) both have changes in program that based on java. In the first step, before transfer take place source/relay node with X no. of message copies, stored into variable. Then check whether node contact occurs or not? If contact is done then gives 65% or 75% message copies to the encounter node and set variable with 65 % or 75 % of X. So, by this way both

source/relay node and encounter node both have 65% or 75% message copies.

Flowchart:

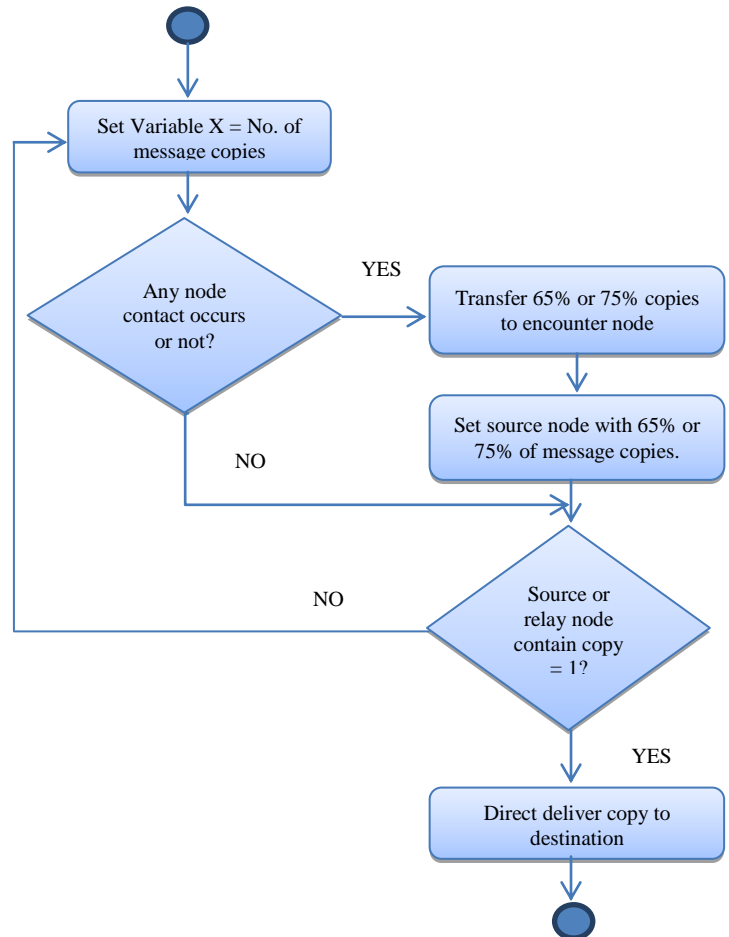


Fig-1: Flowchart

IV.SIMULATION RESULTS

Simulation Setup parameters are given in below table. There are two scenarios, in scenario-1 number of moving nodes (vehicles) are vary by [250,300,350,450] and number of message copies are fixed by 12. In scenario-2 number of copies are vary by [2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20] and number of nodes are fixed by 350.

Table- 1: Simulation Parameters

Parameters	Value
Simulation Time	25000 sec
No. of Nodes	Scenario-1[250,300,350,450], Scenario-2[fixed by 350]
Interface	Bluetooth, WiFi simple, WiFi High-speed
Interface Type	Simple Broadcast
Transmit speed	Bluetooth- 3 Mbps

	WiFi simple- 11 Mbps WiFi High-speed- 50 Mbps
Transmit Range	Bluetooth- 10 m WiFi simple- 70 m WiFi High-speed- 150 m
Movement Model	ShortestPathMapBased Movement
Buffer Size	20 MB
Routing Protocols	Binary Spray and Wait, Modified spray and wait protocol 65-65% and 75-75%
No. of message copies	Scenario-1[12 copies], Scenario-2 [2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20]
Message Size	500 KB to 1 MB
Message Interval	25 to 35 sec
Message TTL	300 minutes

The results of two scenarios are shown in form of graphs as below.

Results of Scenario-1:

It can be clearly seen from Fig.2 that for different number of nodes, modified spray and wait protocol gives excellent probability compare to binary spray and wait protocol.

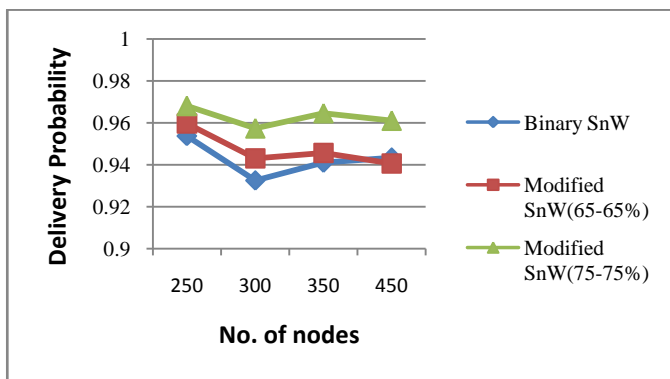


Fig-2: Delivery Probability vs. No. of nodes graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

As shown in Fig.3, we can notice that overhead ratio increases with nodes increases. Modified Spray and Wait protocol with 75-75% ratio has high overhead ratio than other two protocols for each number of nodes.

Average Latency reduces with number of nodes increases for modified spray and wait protocol with both ratios as shown in Fig.4. However, Modified spray and wait protocol with 75-75% ratio provides less latency as compare to other two protocols.

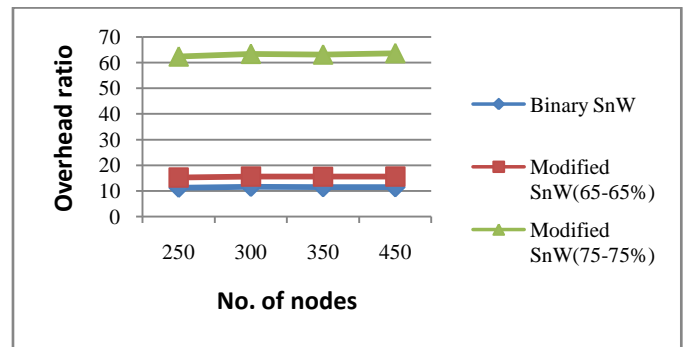


Fig-3: Overhead Ratio vs. No. of nodes graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

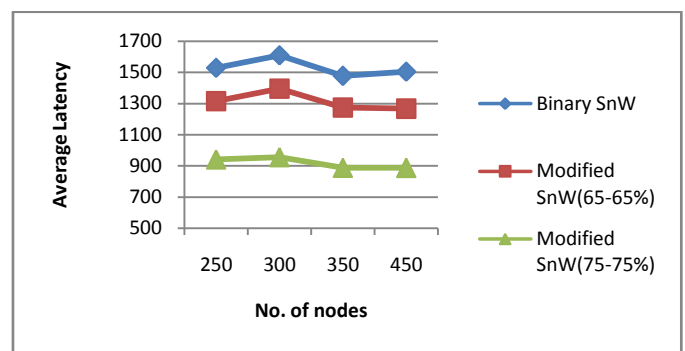


Fig-4: Average Latency vs. No. of nodes graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

Results of Scnrario-2:

From the graph and data table for delivery probability as shown in Fig.5 and Table 2 respectively, the value that obtained for 16 copies in binary spray and wait protocol, that exactly same value we can get for 12 copies in 65-65% ratio and for 6 copies in 75-75% ratio.



Fig-5: Delivery Probability vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

Table- 2: Delivery Probability vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

No. of message copies	Delivery Probability		
	Binary SnW	Modified SnW(65-65%)	Modified SnW(75-75%)
2	0.7414	0.7412	0.7414
4	0.8619	0.8720	0.9244
6	0.9103	0.8720	0.9457
8	0.9244	0.9244	0.9563
10	0.9386	0.9244	0.9563
12	0.9410	0.9457	0.9646
14	0.9421	0.9457	0.9646
16	0.9457	0.9457	0.9634
18	0.9516	0.9563	0.9634
20	0.9528	0.9563	0.9610

14	13.5689	15.6017	63.1248
16	15.6017	15.6017	125.8664
18	17.5310	31.6235	125.8664
20	19.5366	31.6235	218.4177

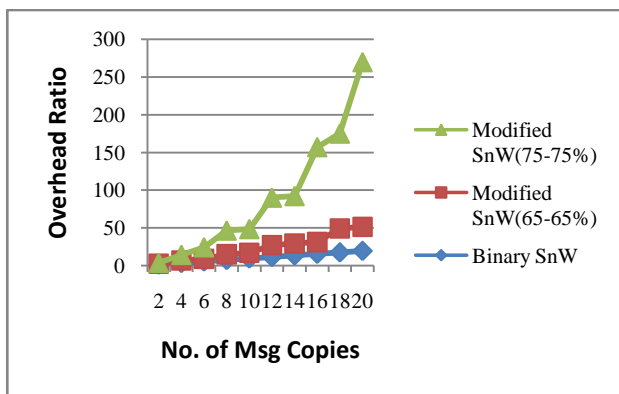


Fig-6: Overhead Ratio vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

From the graph and resultant data table for overhead ratio, it can be seen that as number of message copies increases overhead ratio also increase for all three protocols (existing binary spray and wait, modified 65-65%, modified 75-75%). The same thing is also happened in case of overhead ratio as shown in data table 3.

Table- 3: Overhead ratio vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

No. of message copies	Overhead Ratio		
	Binary SnW	Modified SnW(65-65%)	Modified SnW(75-75%)
2	1.3471	1.3471	1.3471
4	3.4644	3.4644	7.5019
6	5.4475	3.4644	15.6017
8	7.5019	7.5019	31.6235
10	9.4528	7.5019	31.6235
12	11.5031	15.6017	63.1248

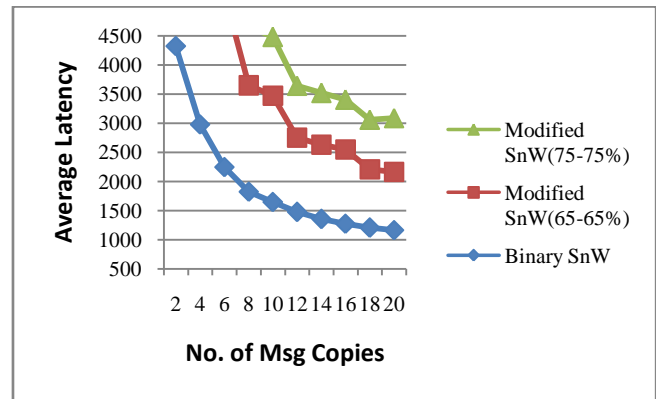


Fig-7: Average Latency vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

According to the graph and data table for Average Latency, it can be seen that as number of message copies increases latency reduces, for all three protocols (existing binary spray and wait, modified 65-65%, modified 75-75%). Here also, The same thing happened, as shown in data table 4.

Table- 4: Average Latency vs. No. of Msg copies graph for comparison between existing Binary spray and wait and Modified Spray and wait protocols

No. of message copies	Average Latency		
	Binary SnW	Modified SnW(65-65%)	Modified SnW(75-75%)
2	4323.1783	4323.1783	4323.1783
4	2977.6466	2977.6466	1825.2248
6	2247.3982	2977.6466	1274.9900
8	1825.2248	1825.2248	1007.5519
10	1647.6340	1825.2248	1007.5519
12	1476.6625	1274.9900	889.2558
14	1355.3596	1274.9900	889.2558
16	1274.9900	1274.9900	852.7157
18	1206.8300	1000.5519	852.7157
20	1166.3371	1000.5519	921.9730

V. CONCLUSION

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By evaluating results of comparison between binary spray and wait protocol and modified spray and wait protocols (65-65% and 75-75% ratio) , we can be conclude that modified spray and wait protocol for both ratios gives higher probability, lowest overhead ratio and small value of latency for less number of message copies. That means it requires less memory i.e. reducing buffer size.

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