



ROUTING ALGORITHMS

Part 1: Data centric and hierarchical protocols



Why can't we use conventional routing algorithms here??

- # A sensor node does not have an identity (address)
 - Content based and data centric
 - * Where are nodes whose temperatures will exceed more than 10 degrees for next 10 minutes?
 - * Tell me the location of the object (with interest specification) every 100ms for 2 minutes.



Why can't we use conventional routing algorithms here?

- # Users interested in collective information from multiple sensors regarding a physical phenomenon
- # Intermediate nodes can perform data aggregation and caching in addition to routing.
 - * Where, When, How?



Why can't we use conventional routing algorithms here?

- ⌘ Not node-to-node packet switching, but node-to-node data propagation.
- ⌘ High level tasks are needed:
 - * At what speed and in what direction was that elephant traveling?
 - * Is it the time to order more inventory?



Challenges

- # Energy-limited nodes
- # Computation
 - Aggregate data
 - Suppress redundant routing information
- # Communication
 - Bandwidth-limited
 - Energy-intensive

Goal: Minimize Energy Dissipation



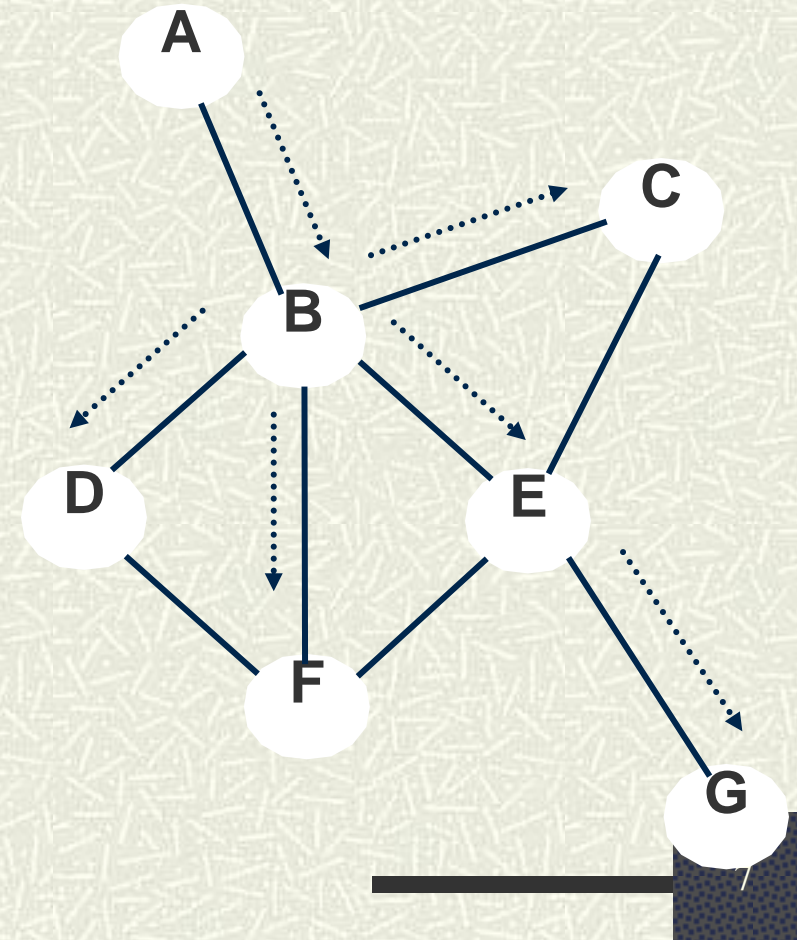
Challenges

- # Robustness: unexpected sensor node failures
- # Dynamic Changes: no *a-priori* knowledge
 - Sink Mobility
 - Target Moving
- # Scalability: ad-hoc deployment in large scale
 - Fully distributed without global knowledge
 - Large numbers of sources and sinks



What should be the Optimum “Ideal” Routing Protocol for WSNs

- Shortest-path routes
- Avoids overlap
- Minimum energy consumption
- Needs global topology information





Taxonomy of Routing Protocols for Wireless Sensor Networks

K. Akkaya and M. Younis, "A Survey on Routing Protocols for Wireless Sensor Networks," AdHoc Networks (Elsevier) Journal, 2005

1. DATA CENTRIC PROTOCOLS

Flooding, Gossiping, SPIN, Directed Diffusion,
Rumor Routing, Cougar, Acquire

2. HIERARCHICAL PROTOCOLS

LEACH, PEGASIS, TEEN (Threshold Sensitive Energy Efficient Sensor Network Protocol),
APTEEN,

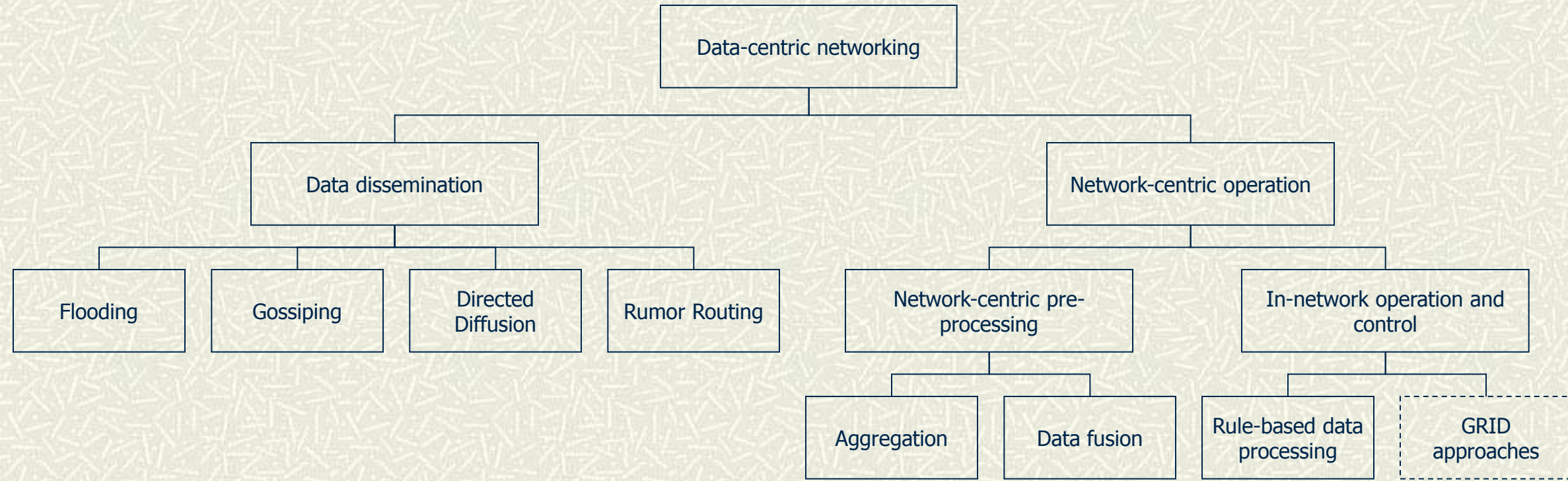
3. LOCATION BASED (GEOGRAPHIC) PROTOCOLS

GPSR(Greedy Perimeter Stateless Routing), GAF (Geographic Adaptive Fidelity),
GEAR(Geographic and Energy-Aware Routing), Trajectory-based Forwarding



Overview and classification

- # Data dissemination – forwarding of data through the network
- # Network-centric operation – data manipulation and control tasks
 - Network-centric pre-processing, e.g. data aggregation and fusion
 - In-network operation and control, e.g. rule-based approaches



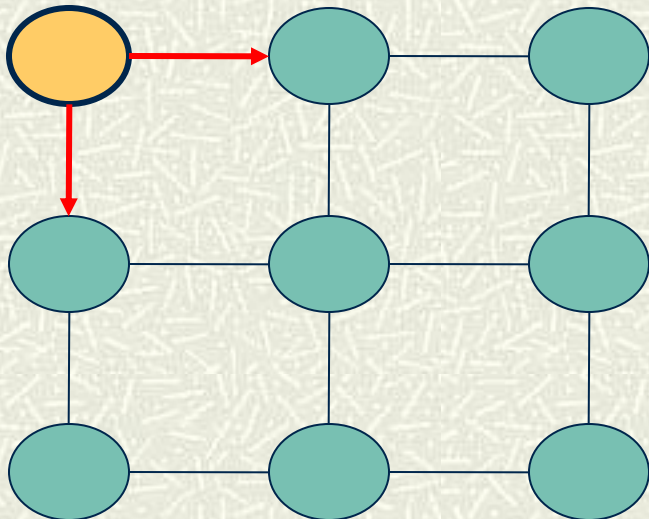


Flooding

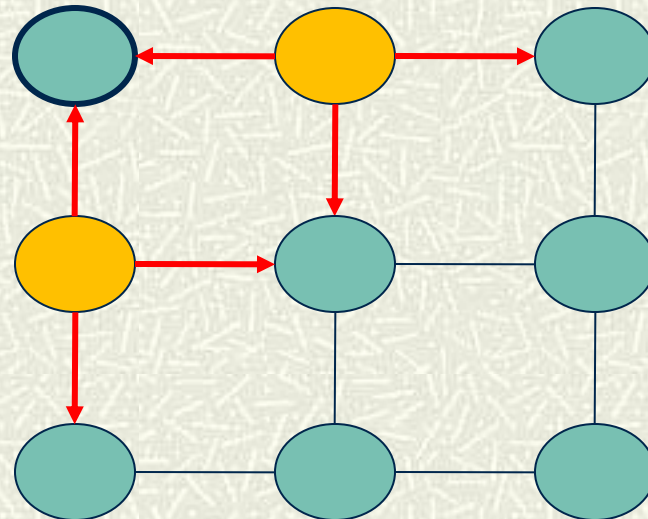
Basic mechanism:

- Each node that receives a packet re-broadcasts it to all neighbors
- The data packet is discarded when the maximum hop count (TTL) is reached

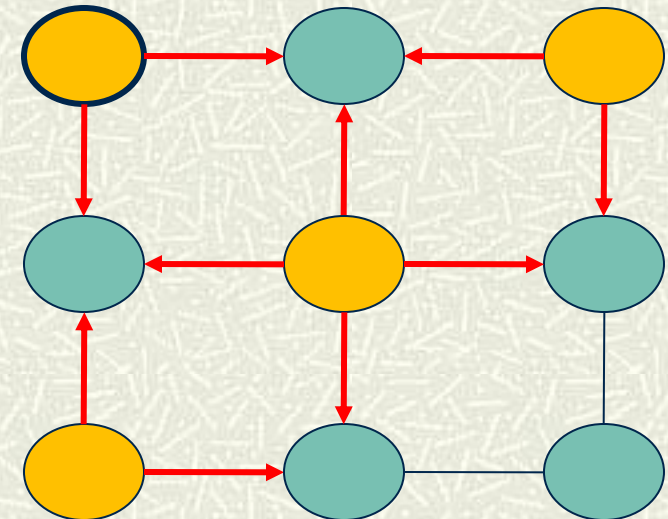
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Step 2



Step 3





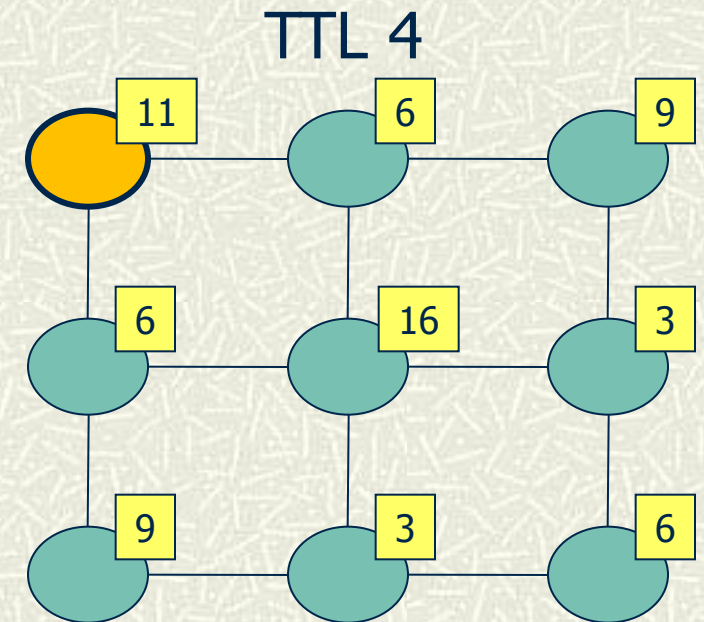
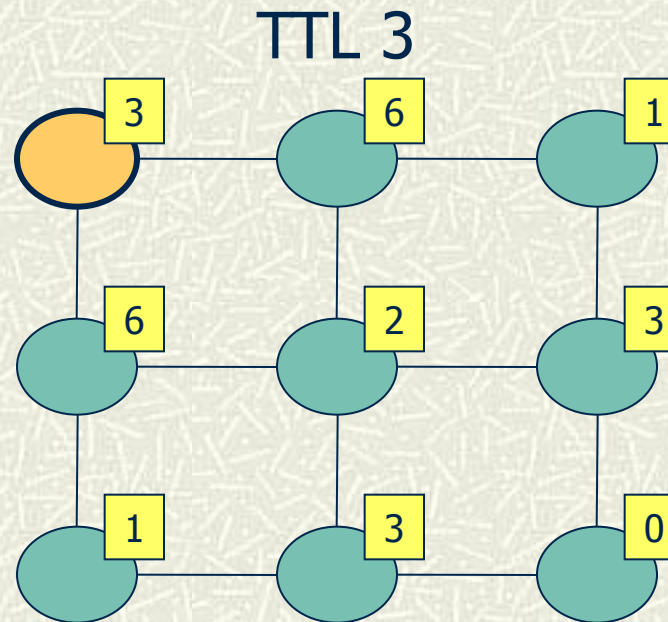
Flooding

Advantages

- No route discovery mechanisms are required
- No topology maintenance is required

Disadvantages

- **Implosion:** duplicate messages are sent to the same node
- **Overlap:** same events may be sensed by more than one node due to overlapping regions of coverage → duplicate report of the same event
- **Resource blindness:** available energy is not considered and redundant transmissions may occur → limited network lifetime





Simple gossiping

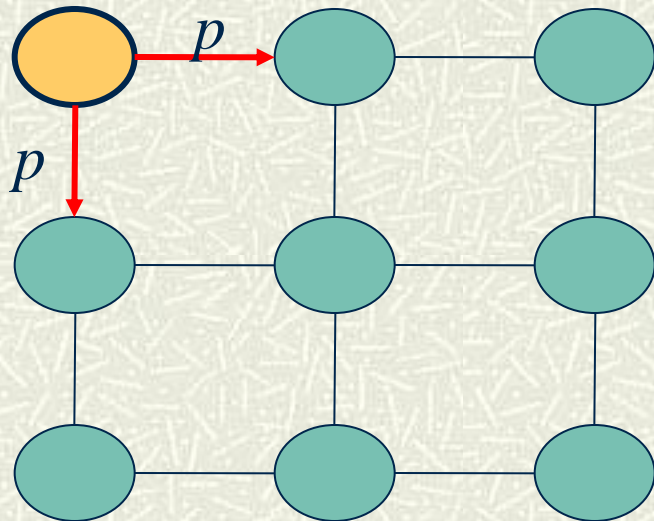
- ⌘ Packets are re-broadcasted with a gossiping probability p
- ⌘ GOSSIP(p) – Probabilistic version of flooding

for each message m

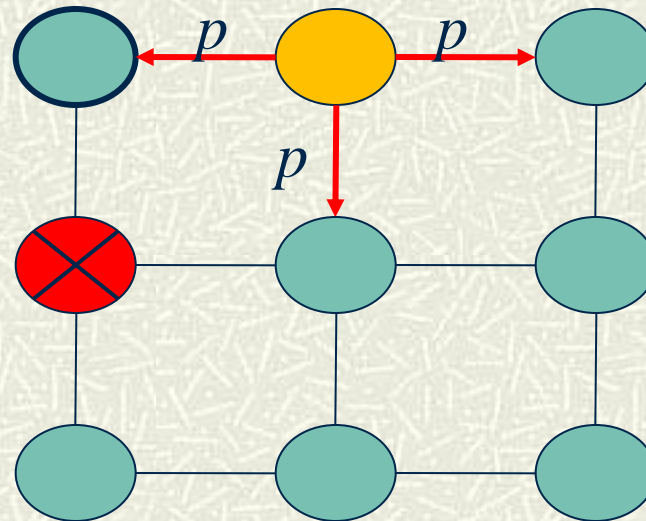
if $\text{random}(0,1) < p$ then rebroadcast message m

(use TTL for termination)

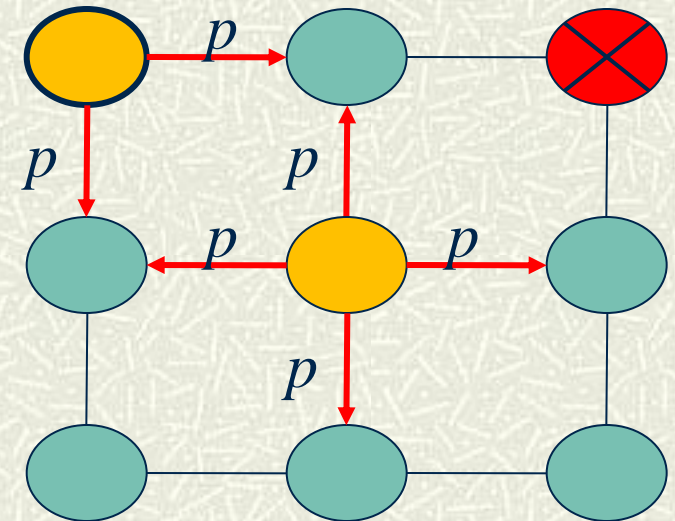
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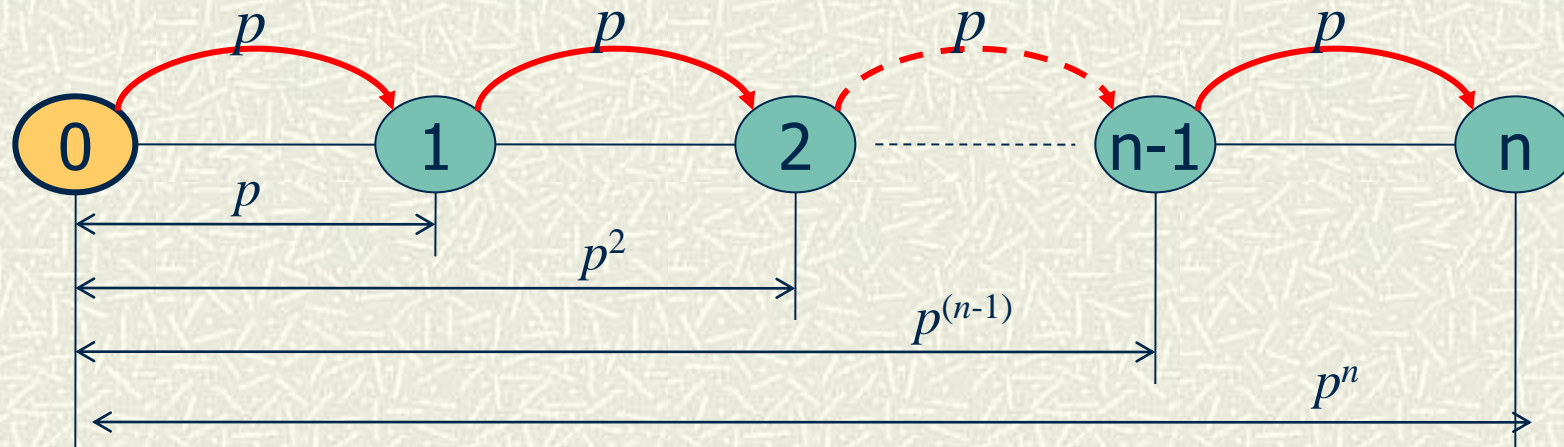
Simple gossiping

Advantages

- Avoids packet implosion
- Lower network overhead compared to flooding

Disadvantages

- Long propagation time throughout the network
- Does not guarantee that all nodes of the network will receive the message (similarly do other protocols but for gossiping this is an inherent “feature”)





Problems of Flooding and Gossiping

PROBLEMS:

Although these techniques are simple and reactive, they have some disadvantages including:

- * **Implosion**

(Gossiping version where only one neighbor is selected avoids this; but this causes delays to propagate the data through the network)

- * **Overlap**

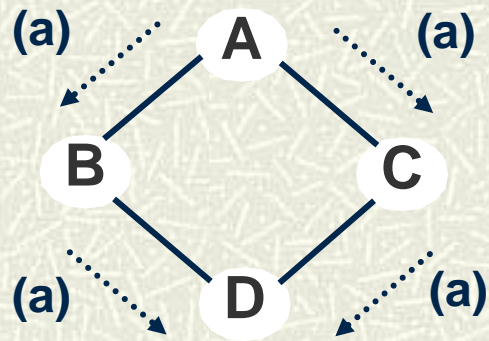
- * **Resource Blindness**

- * **Power (Energy) Inefficient**

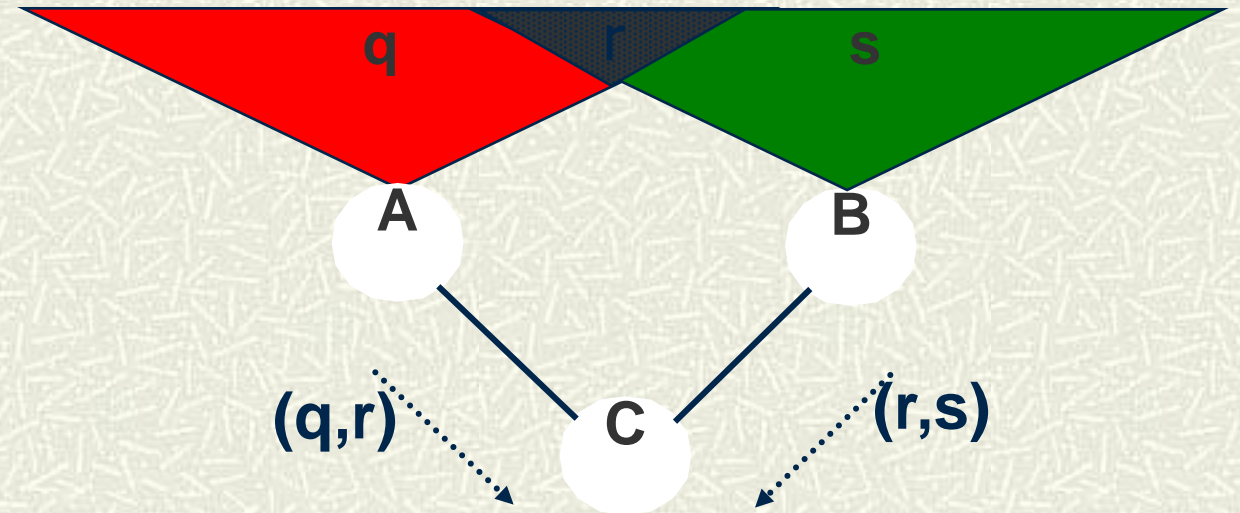


Problems

Implosion



Data Overlap



Resource Blindness

No knowledge about the available power of resources



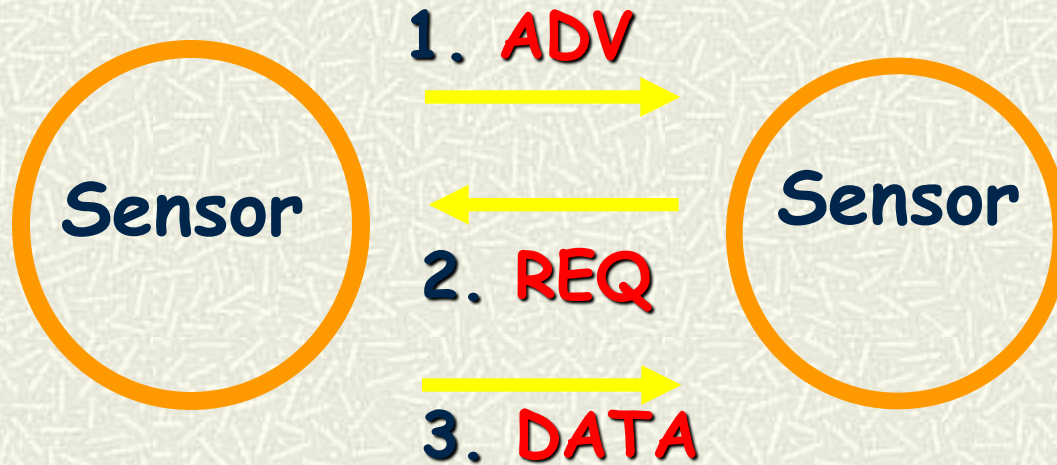
SPIN: Sensor Protocol for Information via Negotiation

- * Uses three types of messages: **ADV, REQ, and DATA.**
- * When a sensor node has something new, it broadcasts an advertisement (ADV) packet that describes the new data, i.e., **the meta data.**
- * Interested nodes send a request (**REQ**) packet.
- * Data are sent to the nodes that request by **DATA** packets.
- * This will be repeated until all nodes will get a copy.



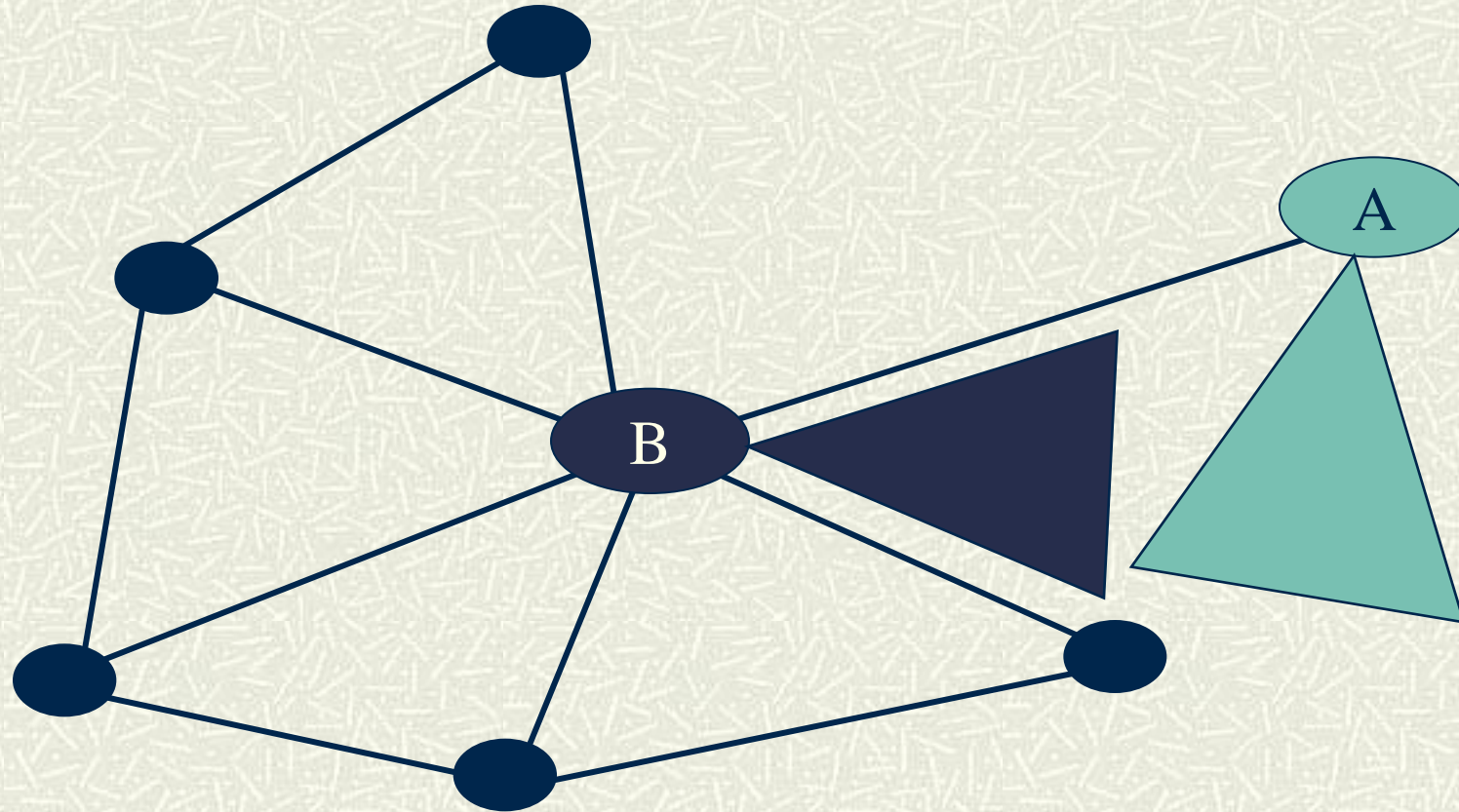
SPIN

- **Good for disseminating information to all sensor nodes.**
- **SPIN is based on data-centric routing where the sensors broadcast an advertisement for the available data and wait for a request from interested sinks**



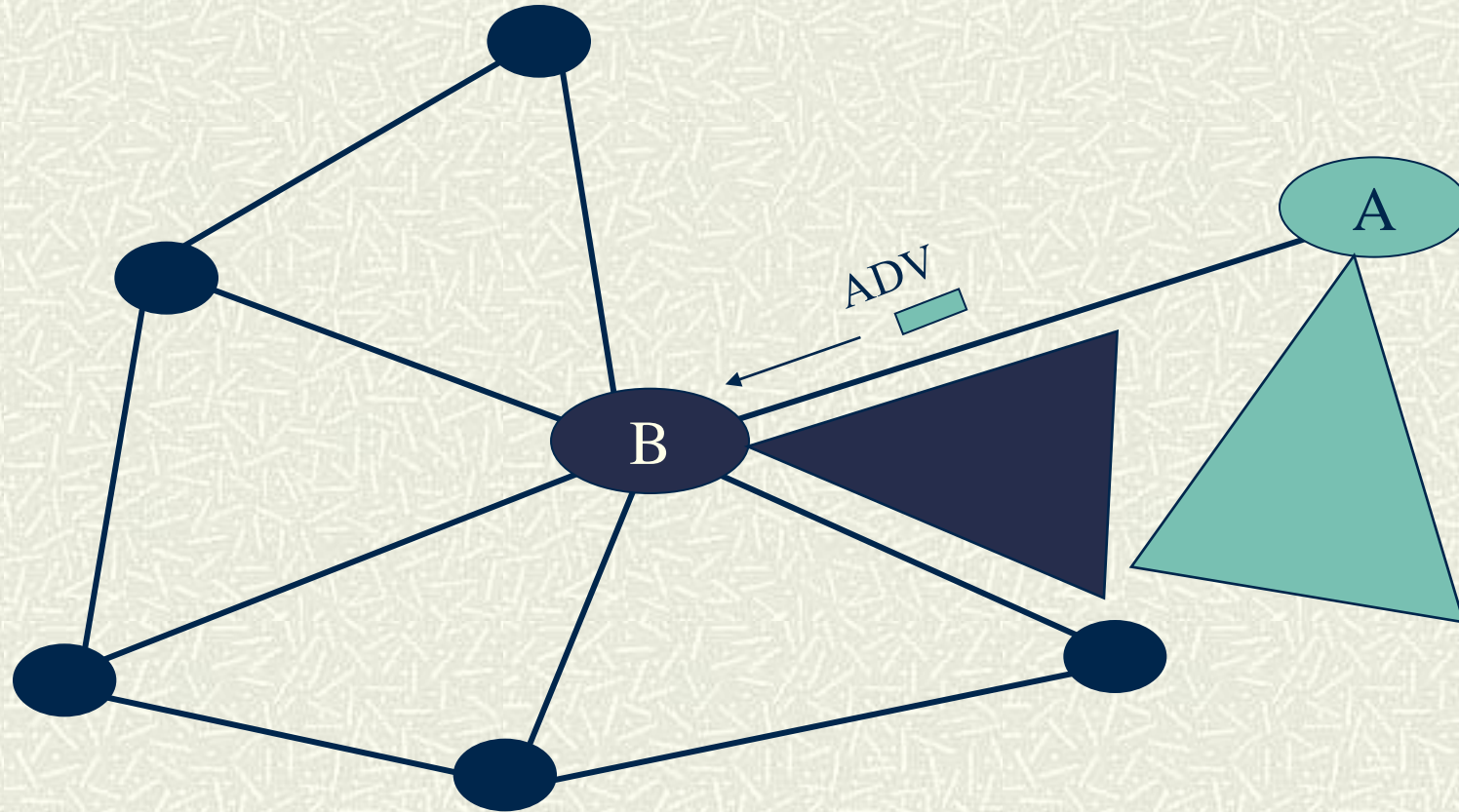


SPIN Example



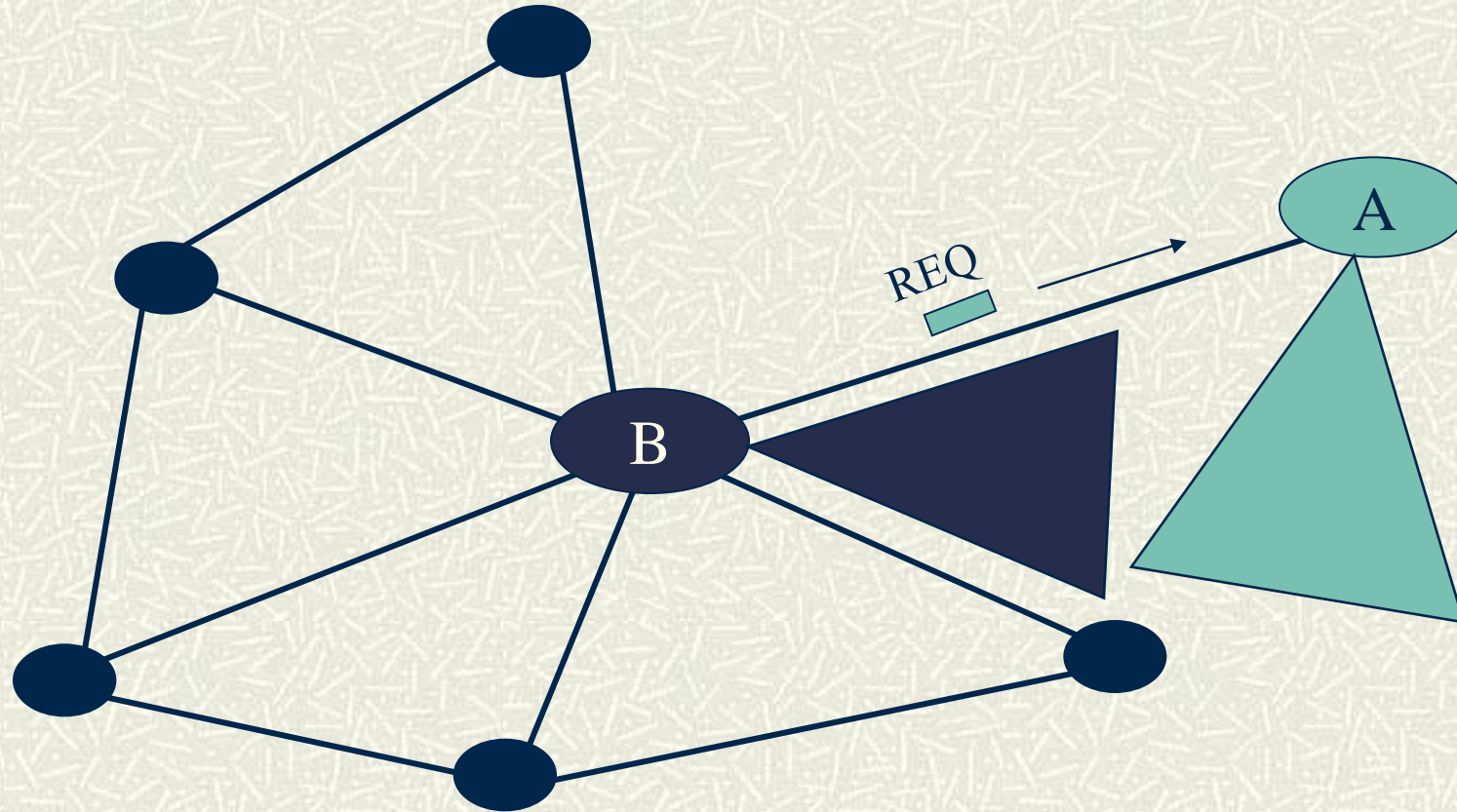


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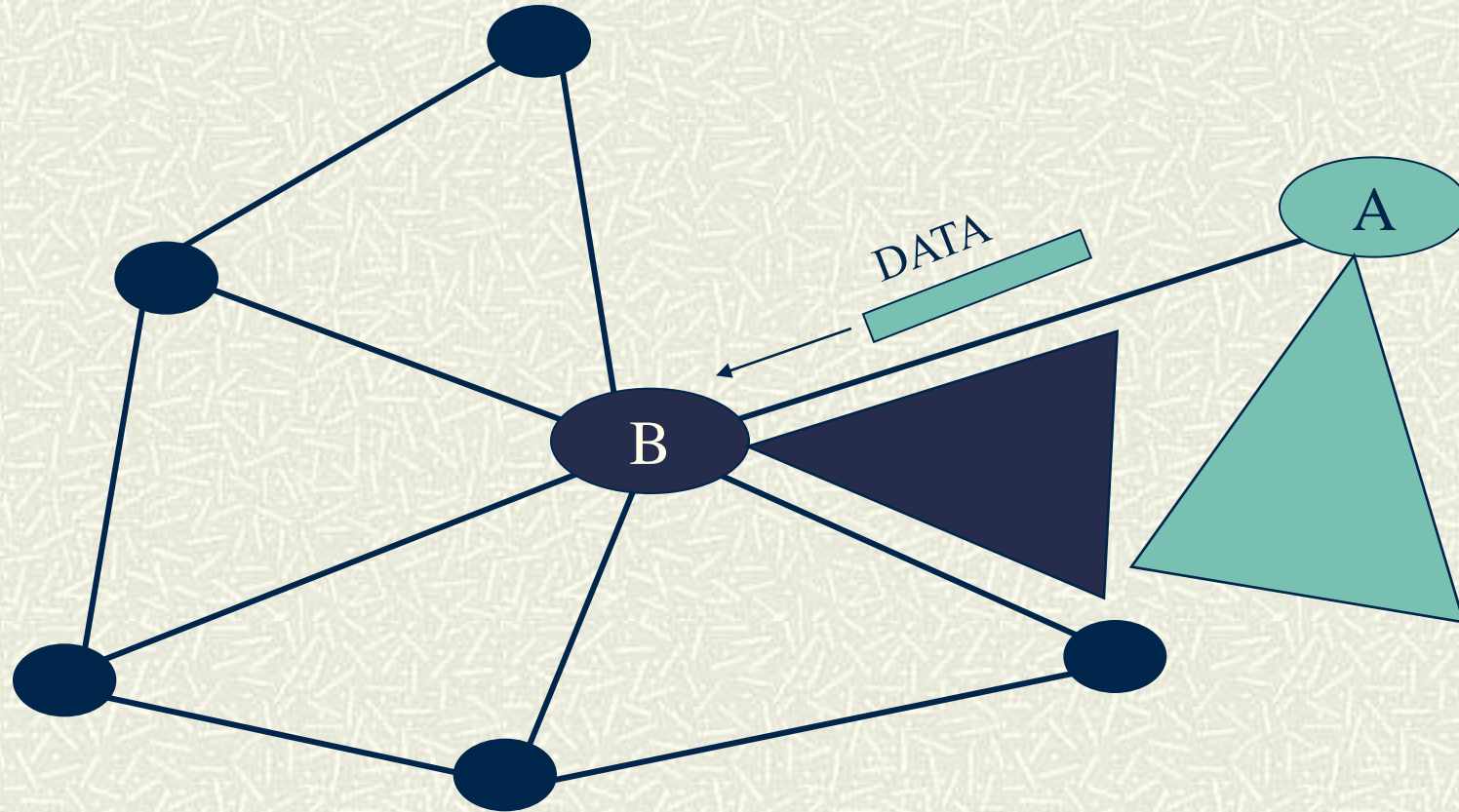


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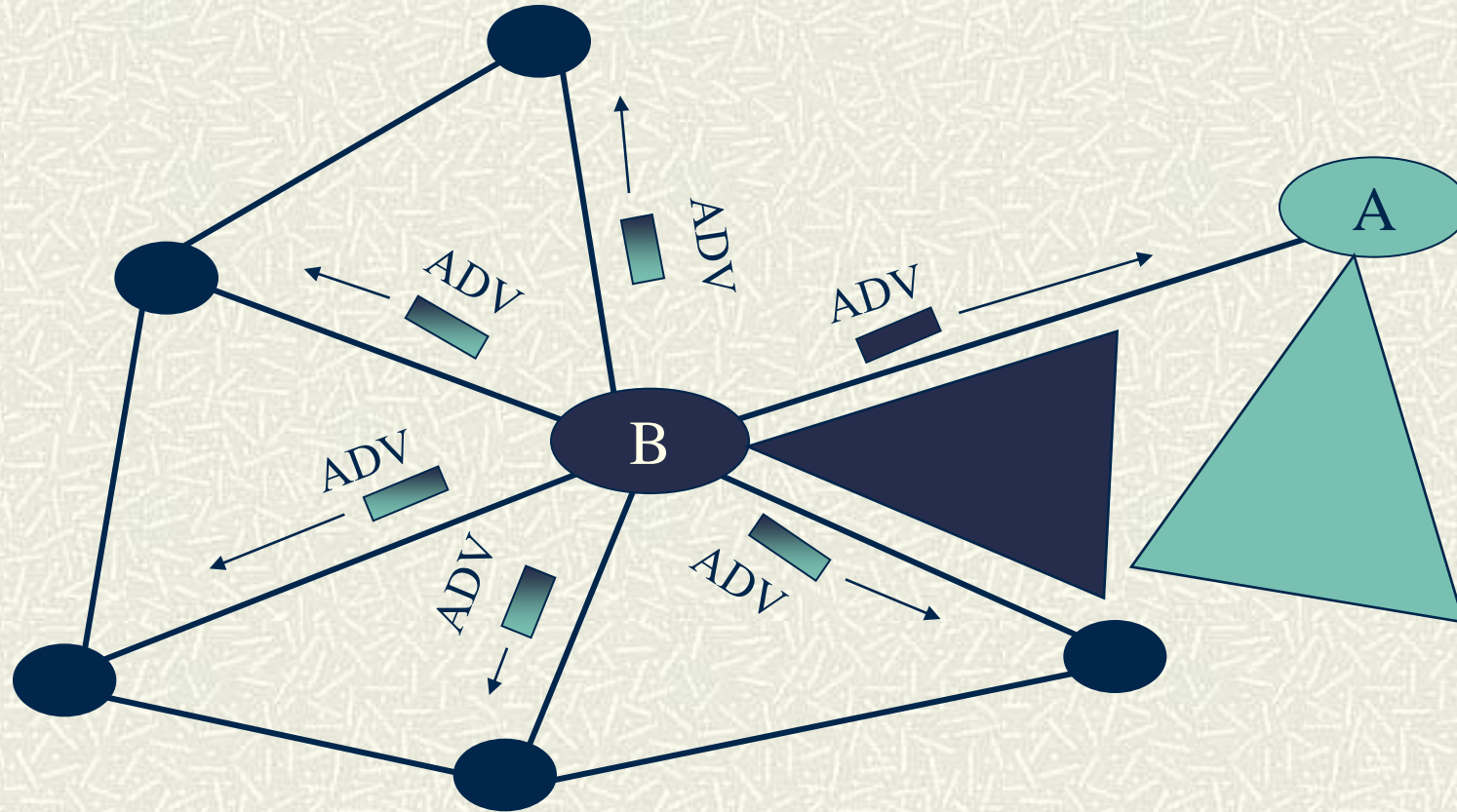


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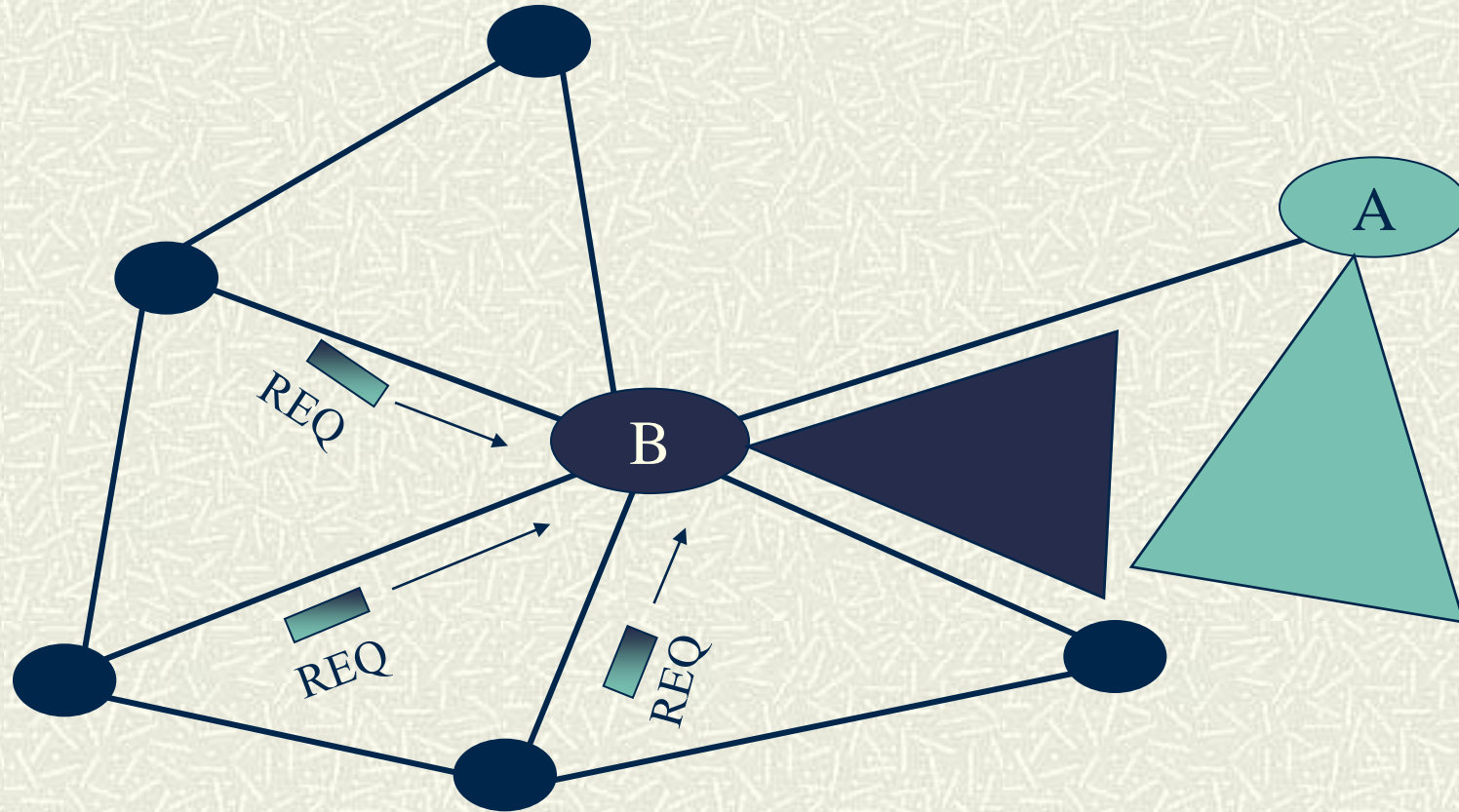


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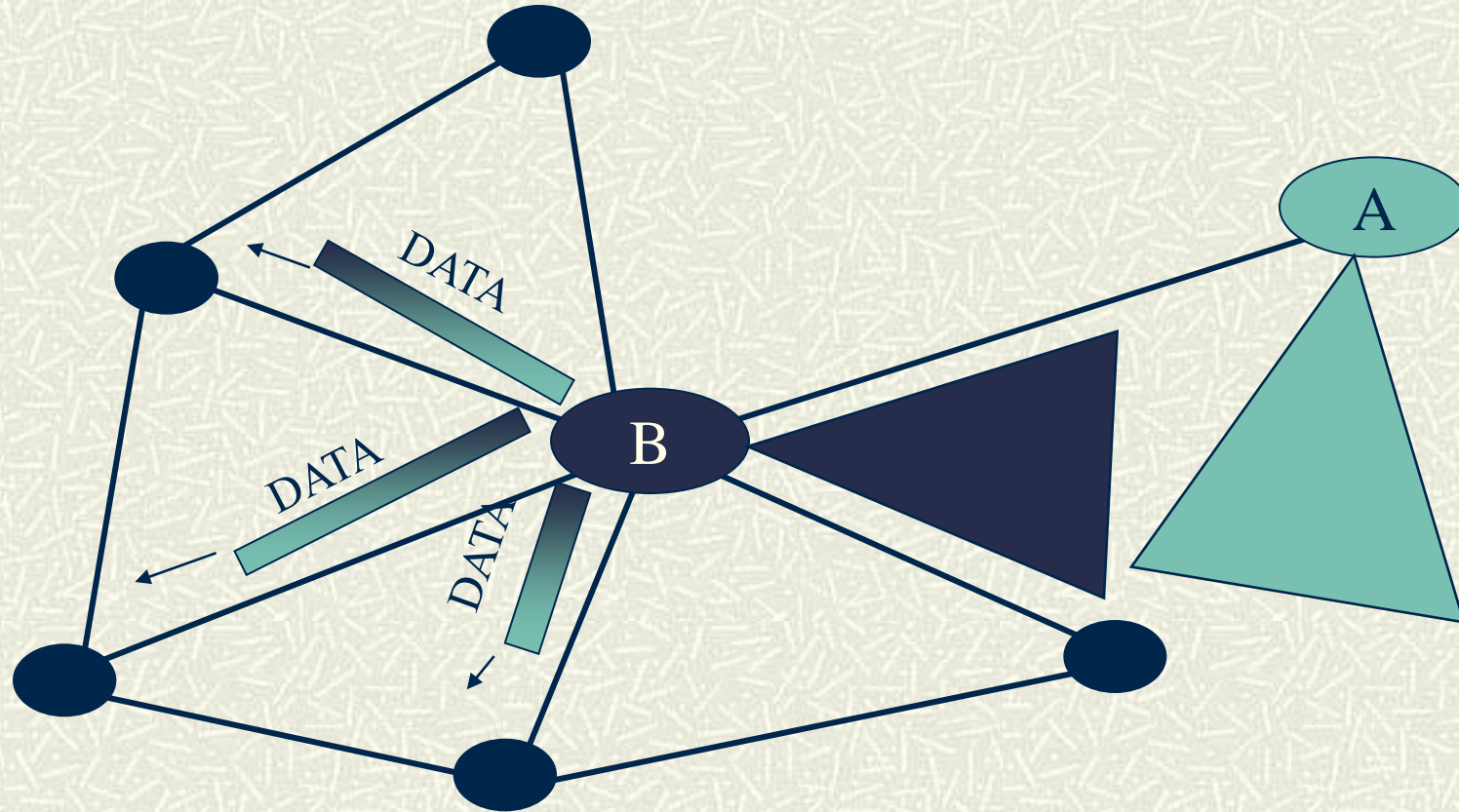


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Family of SPIN Protocols

- **SPIN-PP** – For point-to-point communication
- **SPIN-EC** – Similar to SPIN-PP but with energy conservation heuristics added to it
- **SPIN-BC** – Designed for broadcast networks. Nodes set random timers after receiving ADV and before sending REQ to wait for someone else to send the REQ
- **SPIN-RL** – Similar to SPIN-BC but with added reliability. Each node keeps track of whether it receives requested data within the time limit, if not, data is re-requested



SPIN-PP Protocol

SPIN-PP

- 3-stage handshake protocol

- Advantages

- Implosion avoidance
- Minimal start-up cost
- Simple

- **Disadvantages**

- * **Does not guarantee delivery of data**
- * **Consumes unnecessary power.**



SPIN-EC

Spin-EC

- SPIN-PP + low-energy threshold
- Modifies behavior based on current energy resources



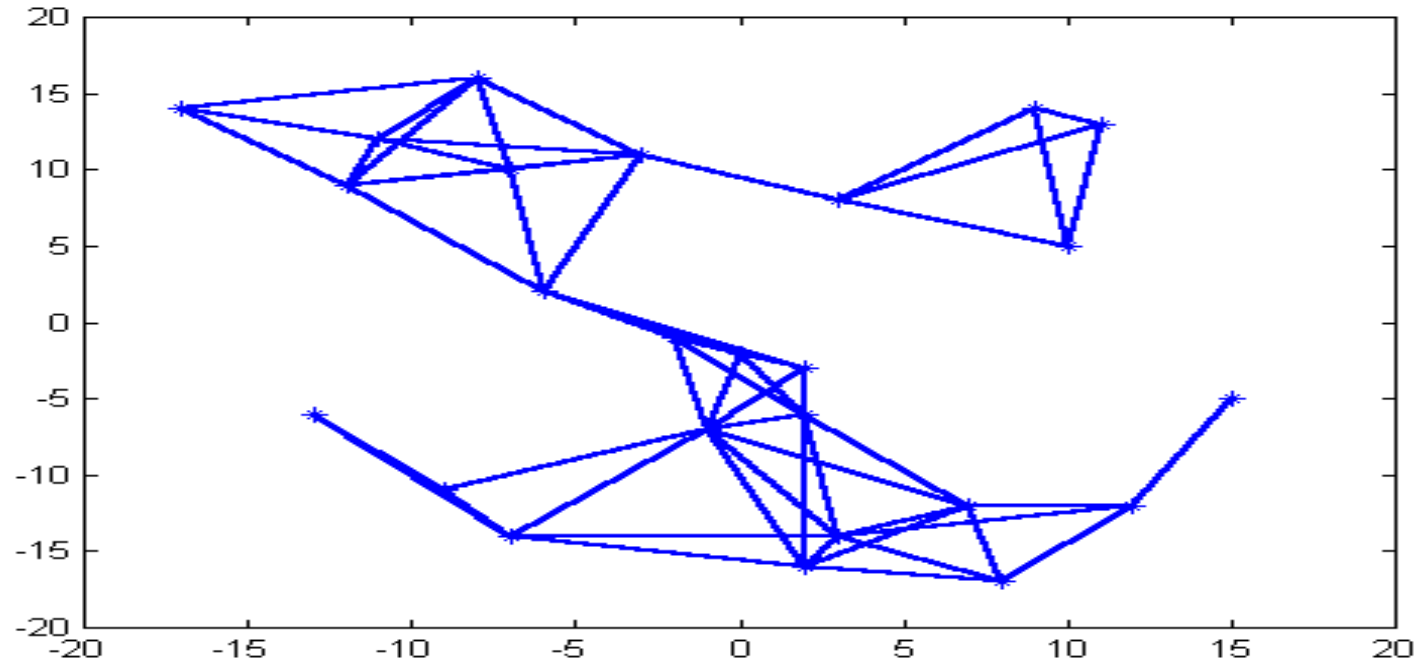
SPIN-EC

- # Adds a simple energy conservation heuristic
- # When energy is plentiful, SPIN-EC behaves like SPIN-PP
- # When energy approaches a low-energy threshold, SPIN-EC node reduces its participation in the protocol (DORMANT)
 - participates in a stage of protocol only if the node believes that it can complete all the remaining stages



Test Network

25 Nodes
59 Edges



Average degree = 4.7 neighbors

Network diameter = 8 hops

Antenna reach = 10 meters

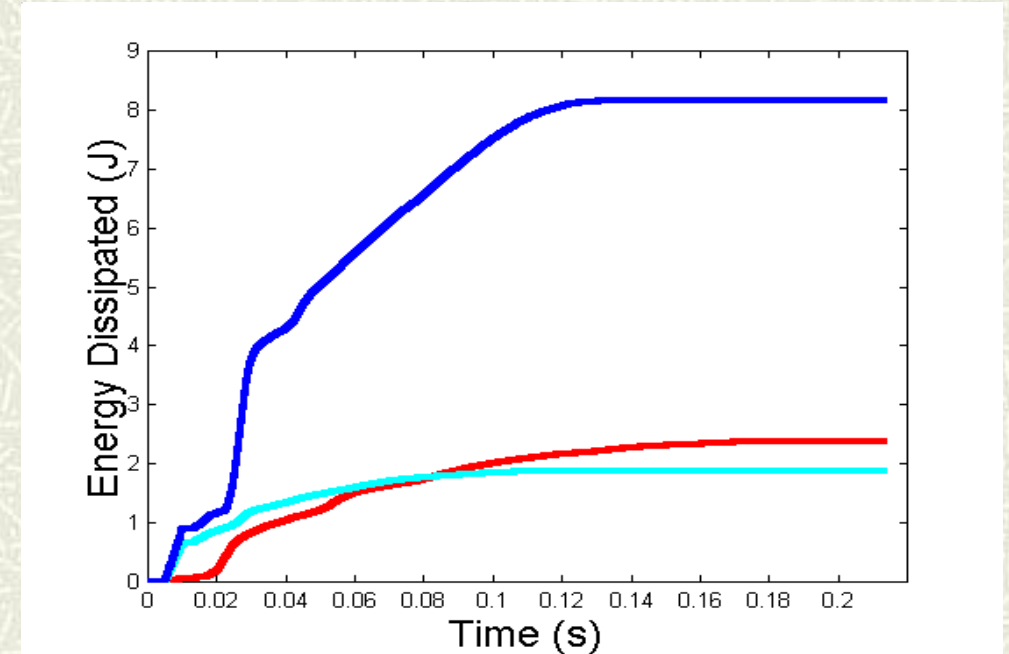
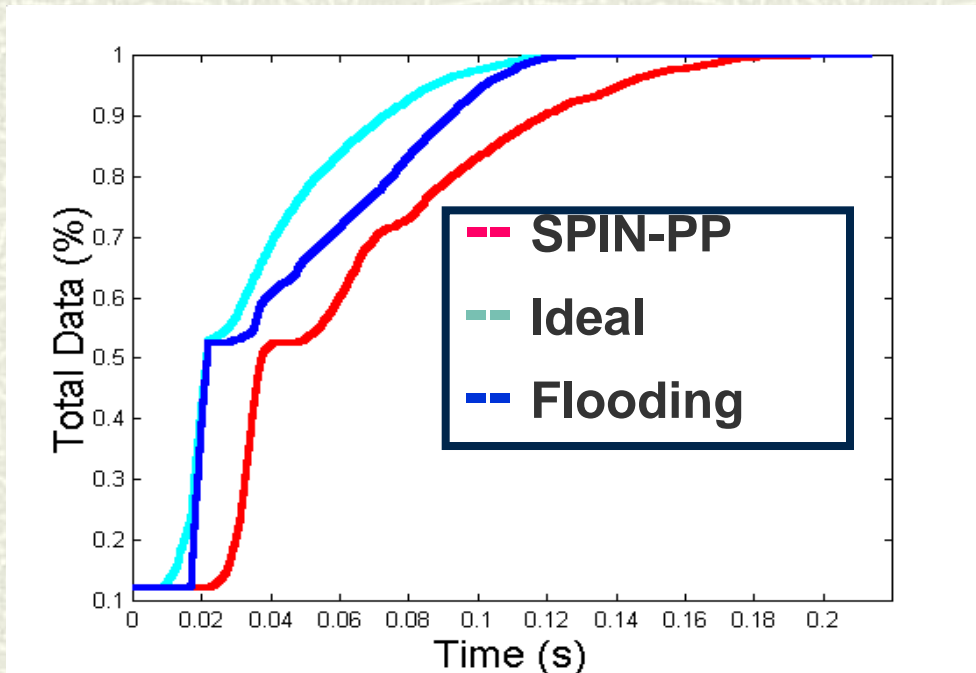
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Unlimited Energy Simulations

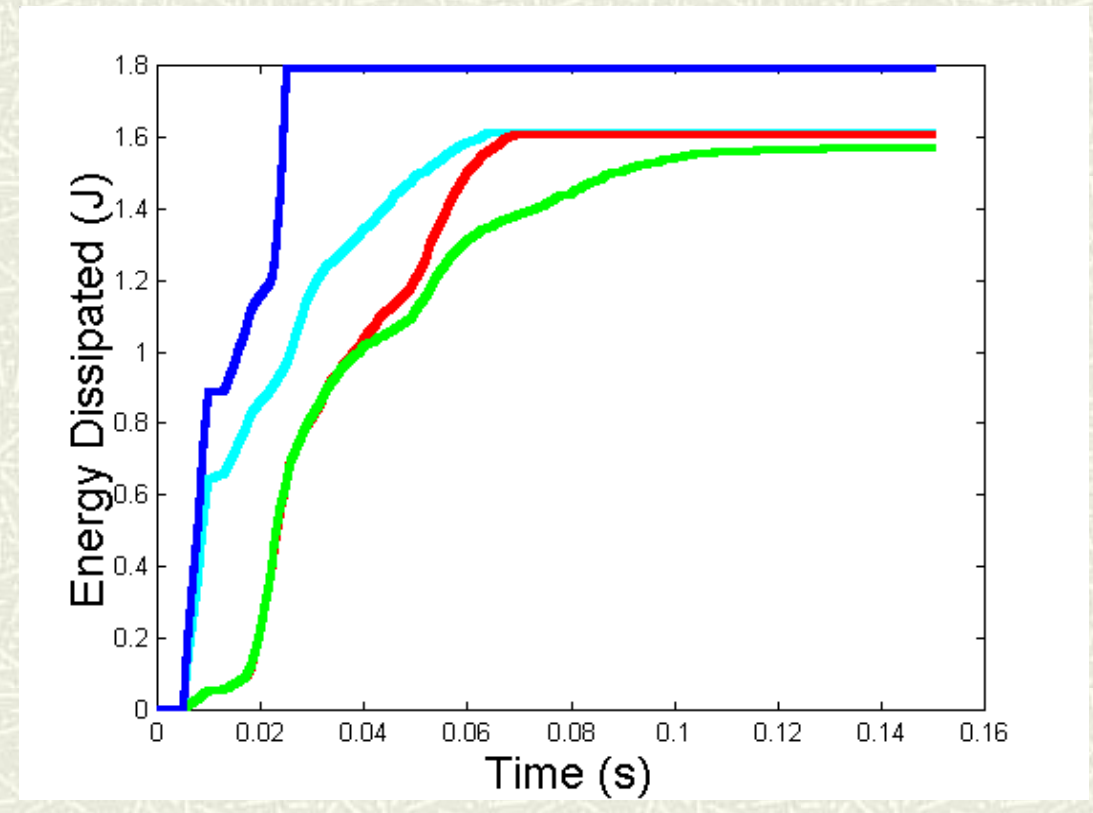
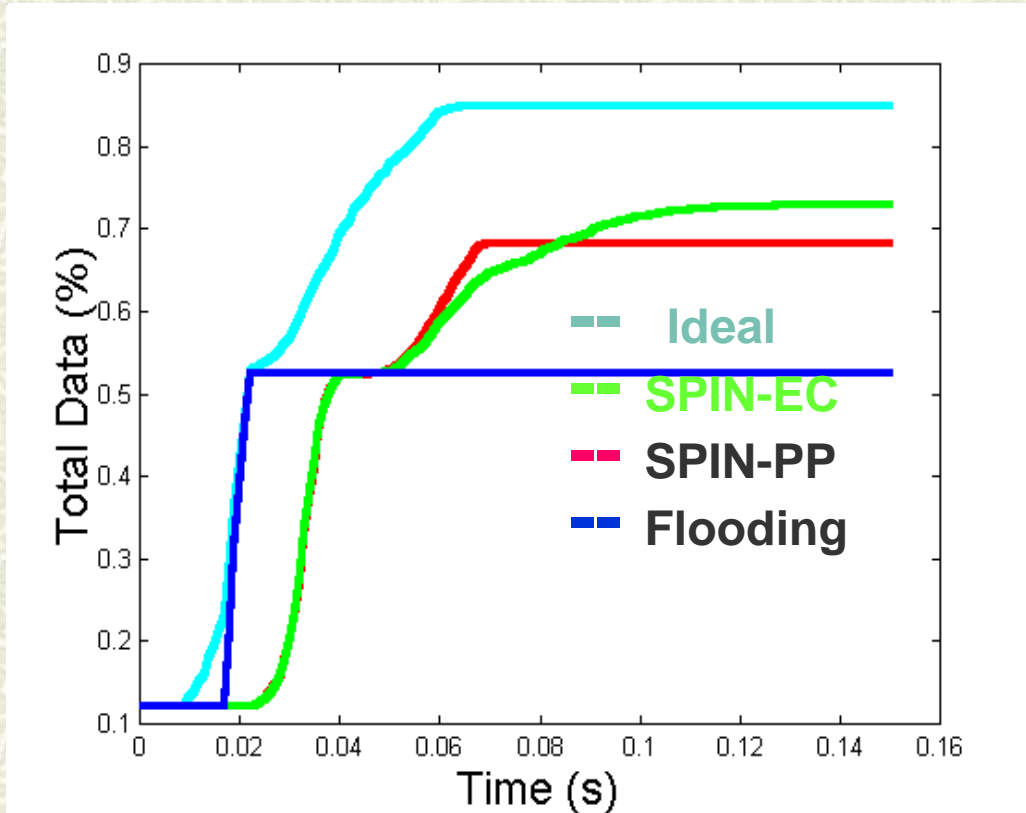


- # Flooding converges first
 - No queuing delays

- **SPIN-PP**
 - **Reduces energy by 70%**
 - **No redundant DATA messages**



Limited Energy Simulations



SPIN-EC distributes additional 10% data



SPIN- CONCLUSIONS

- # Flooding converges first
 - No delays
- # SPIN-PP
 - Reduces energy by 70%
 - No redundant DATA messages
- # SPIN-EC distributes
 - 10% more data per unit energy than SPIN-PP
 - 60% more data per unit energy than flooding



SPIN- CONCLUSIONS (2)

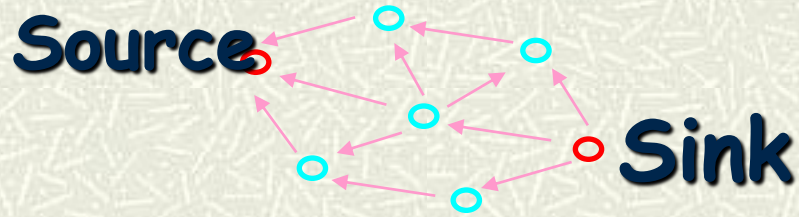
- **Energy** – More efficient than flooding
- **Latency** – Converges quickly
- **Scalability** – Local interactions only
- **Robust** – Immune to node failures



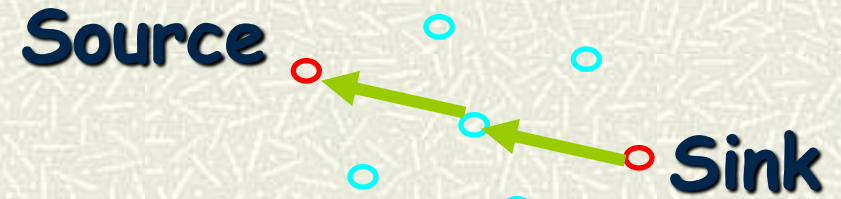
Directed Diffusion Routing Algorithm

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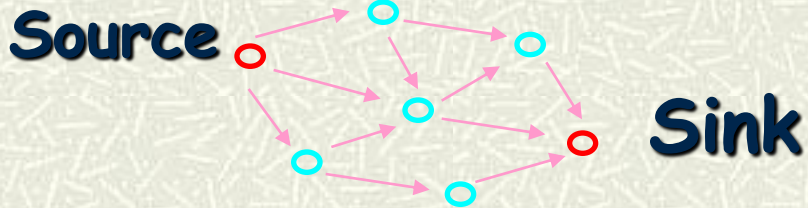
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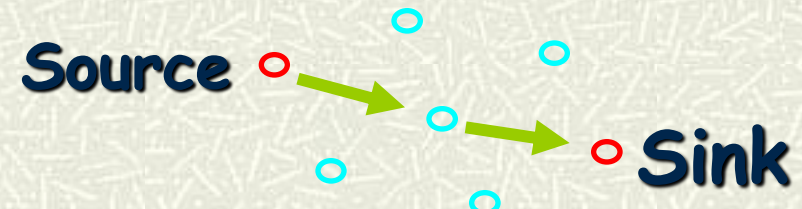
Interest Propagation



Reinforcement



Gradient Setup



Data Delivery



Basic Principles

- **DATA CENTRIC ROUTING scheme**
- **Very large number of sensors → impossible to assign specific IDs.**
- **Without a unique identifier, gathering data may become a challenge.**
- **To overcome this challenge, some routing protocols gather/route data based on the description of the data, i.e., data-centric.**



What is DATA CENTRIC?

Data-Centric

- **Sensor node does not need an identity!!!**
 - What is the temp at node #27 ?
- **Data are named by attributes**
 - Where are the nodes whose temperature recently exceeded 30 degrees ?
 - How many pedestrians do you observe in region X?
 - Tell me in what direction that vehicle in region Y is moving?



What is Data-Centric Routing?

Requires attribute based naming where the users are more interested in querying an attribute of the phenomenon, rather than querying an individual node.

Example:

"the areas where the temperature is over 70F"

is a more common query than

"the temperature read by a certain node (e.g., #27)".



Elements of Directed Diffusion

Naming Scheme

- *Data* is named using attribute-value pairs

Interests

- A node requests data by sending *interests for named data*

Gradients

- *Gradients* is set up within the network designed to "draw" events, i.e. *data matching the interest*.

Reinforcement

- *Sink reinforces* particular neighbors to draw higher quality (higher data rate) events

Pull-based approach



NAMING SCHEME

- * **Data generated by sensor nodes is NAMED by ATTRIBUTE-VALUE pairs**
- * **In order to create a query, an interest is defined using a list of attribute-value pairs such as name of *objects, interval, duration, geographical area, etc.***
- * **An arbitrary sensor node (usually the SINK) uses attribute-value pairs (interests) for the data and queries the sensors in an on-demand basis.**



NAMING SCHEME

Request:

Interest (Task) Description

Example: (Animal Tracking Task)

***Type* = four legged animal (detect animal location)**

***Interval* = 30 s (send back events every 30 s)**

***Duration* = 1h (.. for the next hour)**

***Rec* = [-100,100,200,400] (from sensors within the rectangle)**



NAMING SCHEME

The data sent in response to interests are also named similarly.

Example: REPLY

Sensor detecting the animal generates the following data:

***Type* – four legged animal (type of animal seen)**

***Instance* = elephant (instance of this type)**

***Location* = (125,220) (node location)**

***Intensity* = 0.6 (signal amplitude measure)**

***Confidence* = 0.85 (confidence in the match)**

***Timestamp* = 01:20:40 (event generation time)**



INTERESTS

- * **The sink periodically broadcasts an interest to sensor nodes to query information from a particular area in the field.**
- * **As the interest propagates, data may be *locally transformed* (e.g., *aggregated*) at each node, or be *cached*.**
- * **Every node maintains an interest cache**
- * **Each item corresponds to a distinct interest**
- * **Interest aggregation: identical type, completely overlapping rectangle attribute**



INTERESTS

- * **Each entry in the cache has several fields**
 - * **Timestamp: last received matching interest**
 - * **Several gradients: data rate, duration, direction**
- * **Other sinks may express *interests* based on these attributes**



Interest Propagation and Gradient Set Up

- # Inquirer (sink) broadcasts exploratory interest, *il*
 - Intended to discover routes between source and sink

- # Neighbors update interest-cache and forward *il*

- # Gradient for *il* set up to upstream neighbor
 - No information about the sink
 - Gradient – a weighted reverse link
 - Low gradient → Few packets per unit time needed



Interests

- # When a node receives an interest, it:
 - Checks cache to see if an entry is present.
 - If no entry, creates an entry with a single gradient to neighbor who sent this interest
 - If there is an entry and gradient update timestamp and duration fields (or add new gradient)
 - Gradient specifies the direction and data rate.

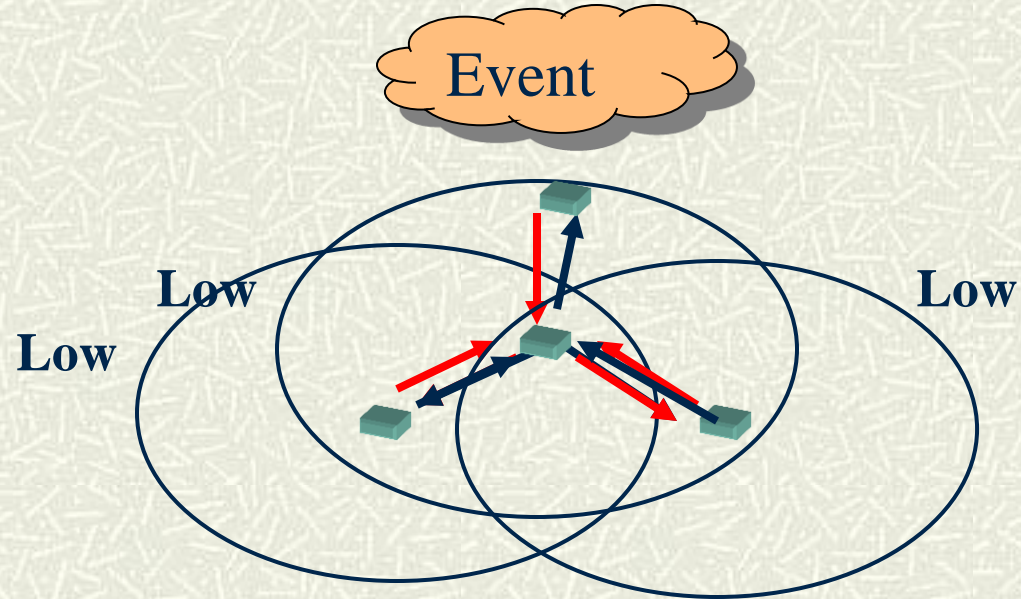


Interests

- # Resend interest to (a subset of) its neighbors
 - This is essentially flooding-based approach
 - Other probabilistic, location-based and other intelligent forwarding approaches possible



Exploratory Gradient



Bidirectional gradients established on all links through flooding

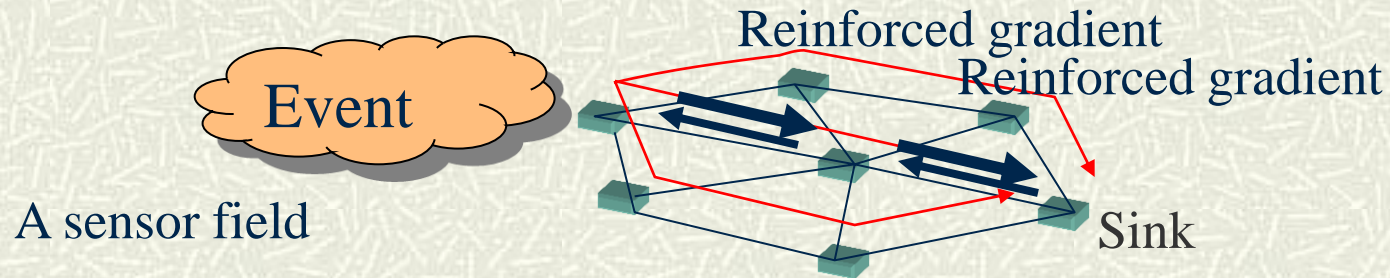


Local Rules for Propagating Interests

- Just flood interest
- More sophisticated techniques possible:
 - * Directional interest propagation based on cached aggregate information

“I recently heard about suspicious activity from neighbor A, so let me try sending this interest for recent intrusions to that neighbor”

Gradient Reinforcement



- From exploratory gradients, reinforce optimal path for high-rate data download → **Unicast**
 - By requesting higher-rate-*il* on the optimal path
 - Exploratory gradients still exist – useful for faults



Gradient Reinforcement

- # The sink selects one of the neighbors as a best-candidate (best link, low delay, etc.) to be reinforced for the particular interest/request.
- # As a result, sink unicasts the reinforcement packet to the next hop.

Subsequently/recursively each node selects one of its (downward) neighbors to be reinforced.

- # At the end, the data path from source to destination will be established.



Event-data propagation

- # Event e_l occurs, matches i_l in sensor cache
 - e_l identified based on waveform pattern matching
- # Interest reply diffused down data gradient (unicast)
 - Data also sent along exploratory gradients to other neighbors
- # Cache filters suppress previously seen data
 - Node maintains data cache in addition to interest cache
 - Helps in loop prevention