

IoT Standardization

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Phy, MAC and network protocols

- ✓ IEEE 802.15.4, first low-power radio standard (2003)
- ✓ ZigBee alliance: proprietary solutions for ad hoc control network (first solutions since 2006 recently opened up to some ideas of 6LoWPAN)
- ✓ IPSO (IP Smart Objects alliance) founded in 2008 to promote use of IP protocols by smart objects and promote IoT
- ✓ IETF 6LoWPAN: enable effective use of IPv6 on low power low rate simple embedded devices (2005) ← initiated by the initiative also of a group of european industry and research organization, some preliminary contributions in the EC SENSEI project
- ✓ IETF Routing over low power and Lossy Networks (ROLL), 2008
- ✓ ISA 100 industrial automation standard (2008)



Phy, MAC and network protocols

Low Power WAN

- ✓ LoRa
- ✓ SigFox

Cellular Networked Based

- ✓ NB-IoT

IoT variants of traditional WLAN wireless comm

- ✓ Bluetooth Low Energy
- ✓ low power WiFi

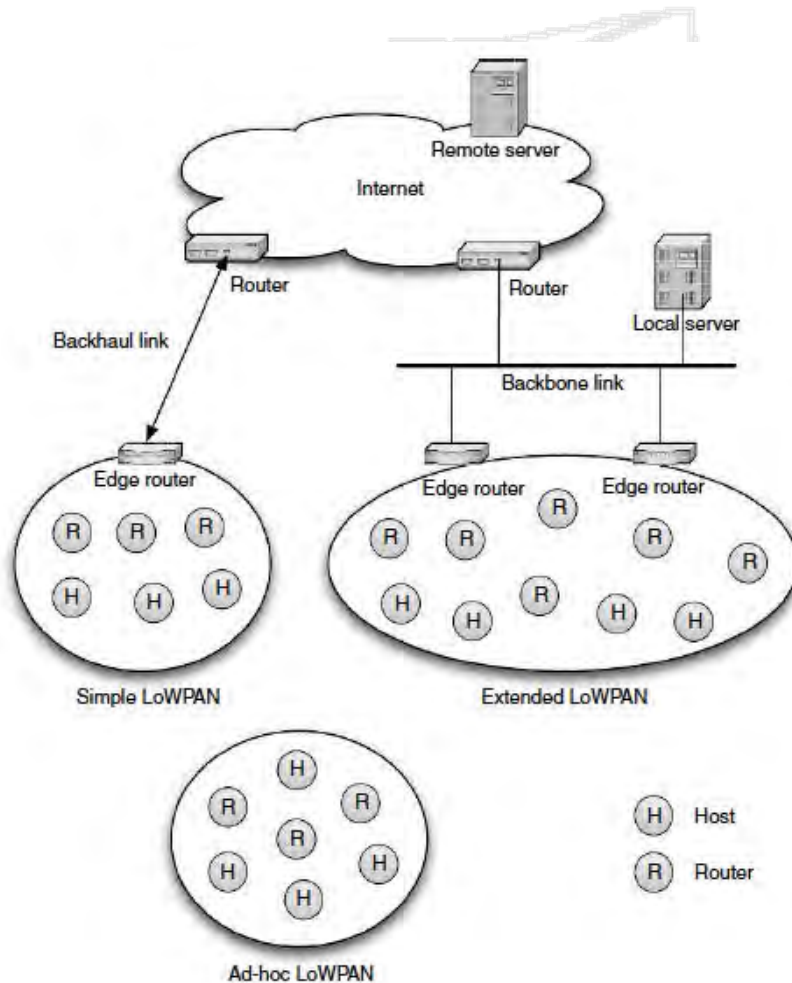


Upper layer protocols and integration with remote Control platforms

- ✓ COAP (Constrained Application Protocol)
- ✓ MQTT (Message Queueing Telemetry Transport)
- ✓ AMQP (Advanced Message Queuing Protocol)

Platforms for IoT

- ✓ AWS IoT (Cloud)
- ✓ Azure (Cloud)
- ...
- ✓ Proprietary SW platforms (typically based on microservice paradigm)



LOW POWER WIRELESS AREA NETWORKS (LOWPAN)

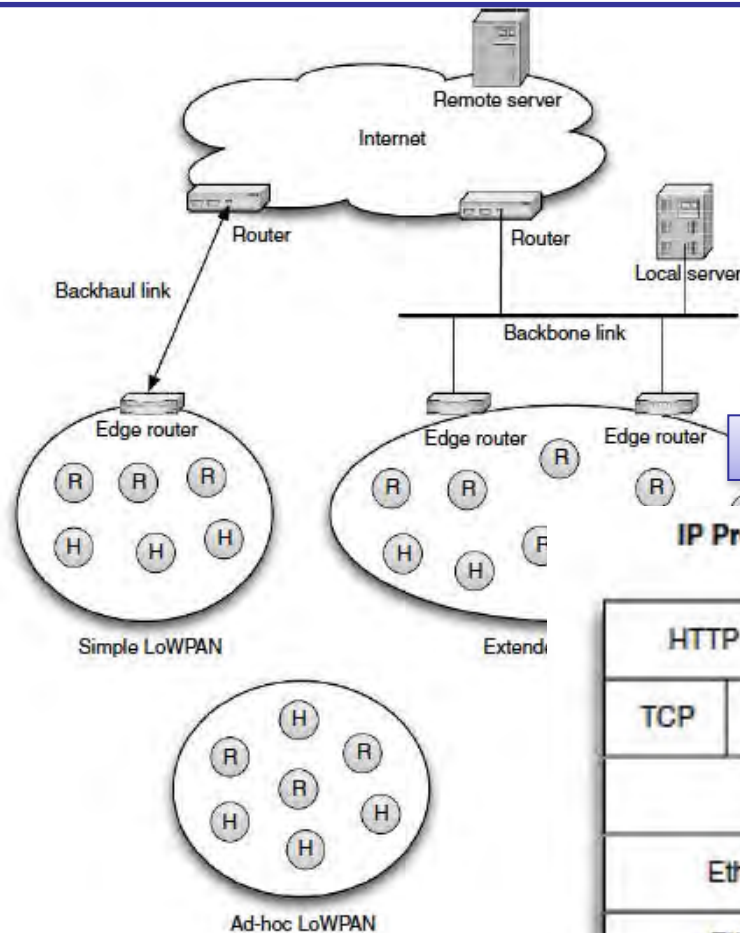
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in IEEE 802.15.4 compliant networks

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Adaptation layer

IP Protocol Stack

HTTP		RTP	
TCP	UDP	ICMP	
IP			
Ethernet MAC			
Ethernet PHY			

Control messages
Neighbor discovery

6LoWPAN Protocol Stack

Application	Application protocols	
Transport	UDP	ICMP
Network	IPv6	
Data Link	LoWPAN	
	IEEE 802.15.4 MAC	
Physical	IEEE 802.15.4 PHY	






Channels	Center Frequency (MHz)	Availability
868 MHz Band	868.2	Europe
915 MHz Band	1	Americas
	2	
	3	
	4	
	5	
	6	
	7	
	8	
	9	
2.4 GHz Band	10	World Wide
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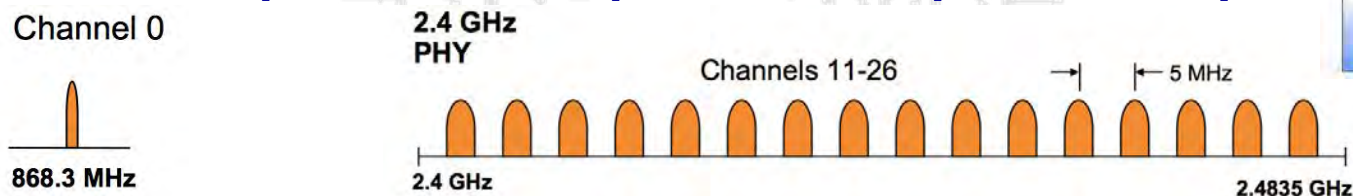
- Material to read:
<http://users.eecs.northwestern.edu/~peters/references/ZigbeeIEEE802.pdf>

Chapter 2, 3, 4






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868 MHz Band	2	868.3	 Europe
	3	868.5	
	4	868.7	
	5	868.9	
	6	869.1	
915 MHz Band	8	915.1	 America
	9	915.3	
	10	915.5	
	11	915.7	
	12	915.9	
	13	916.1	
	14	916.3	
	15	916.5	
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2.4 GHz Band	12	2412	 World Wide
	13	2413	
	14	2414	
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- ISM 2.4Ghz (16 channels), 868MHz (1 channel)

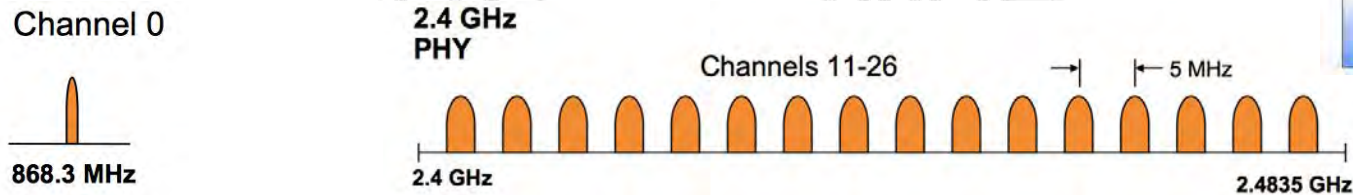


- 20Kbps (868Mhz)-250Kbps (2.4Ghz)
- Phy layer functions:
 - energy detection (ED),
 - link quality indication (LQI),
 - channel selection,
 - clear channel assessment (CCA)



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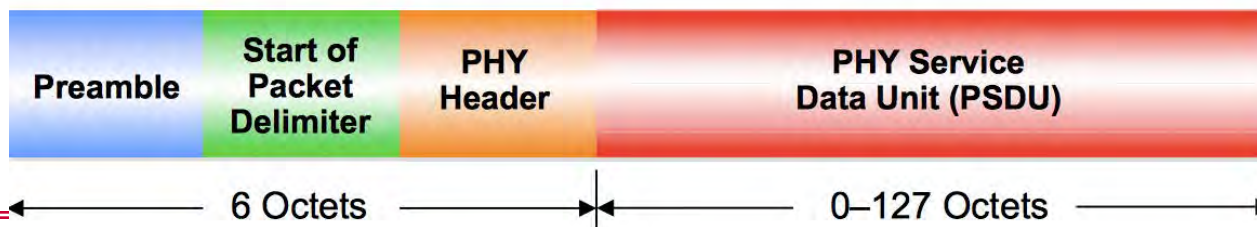
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- Phy PDU structure:

PHY Packet Fields

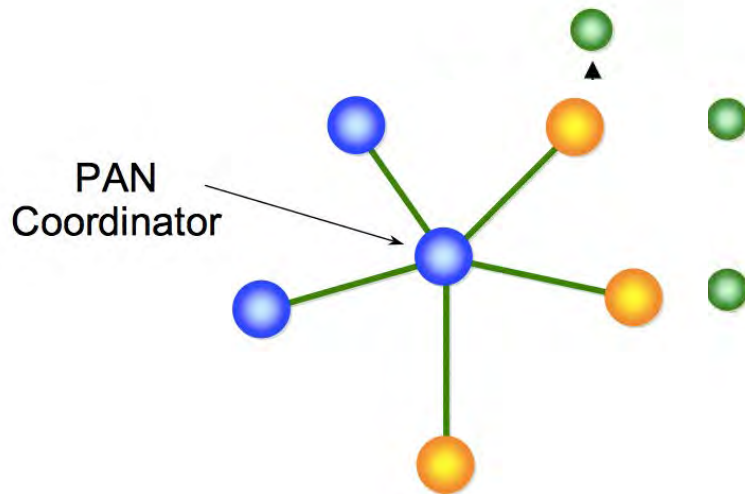
- Preamble (32 bits) – synchronization
- Start of Packet Delimiter (8 bits)
- PHY Header (8 bits) – PSDU length
- PSDU (0 to 1016 bits) – Data field



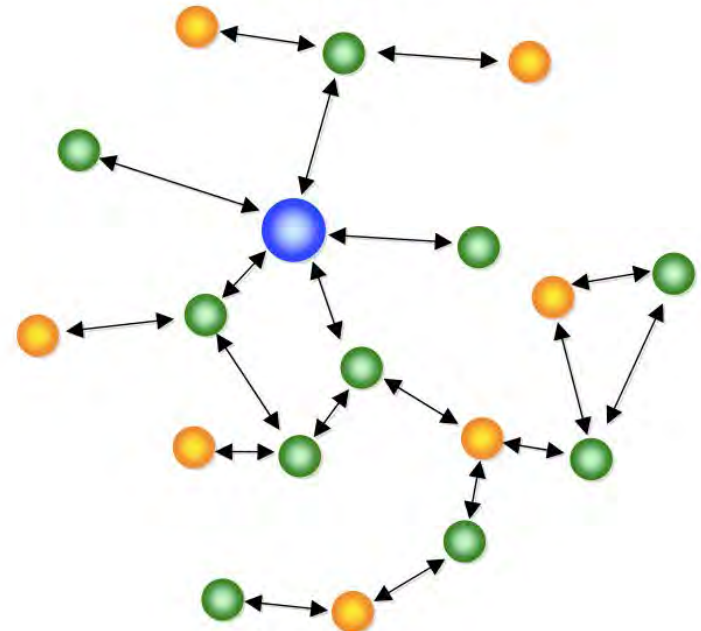


- Very low power
 - low power transmitter/receiver
 - nodes can duty cycle
- Topologies:

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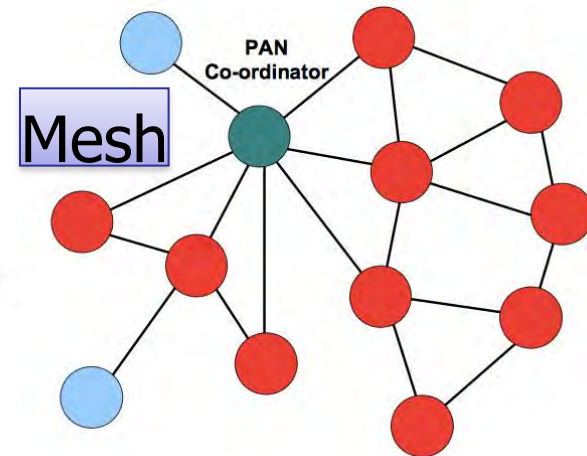
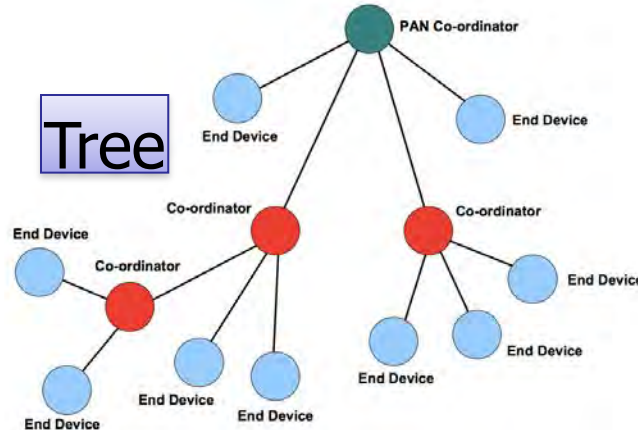
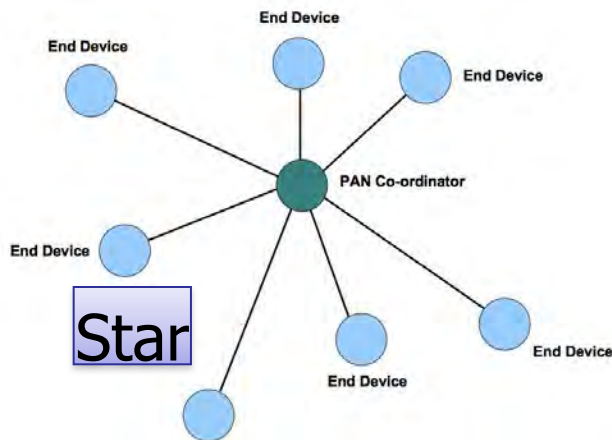


Mesh





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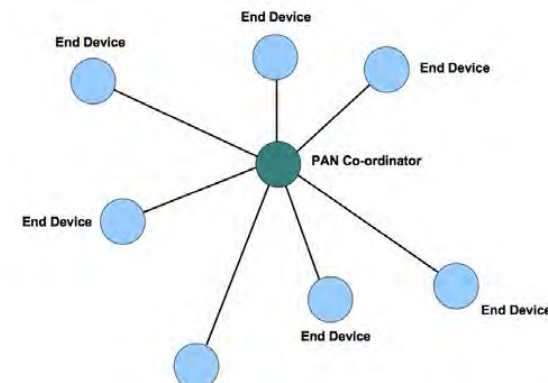


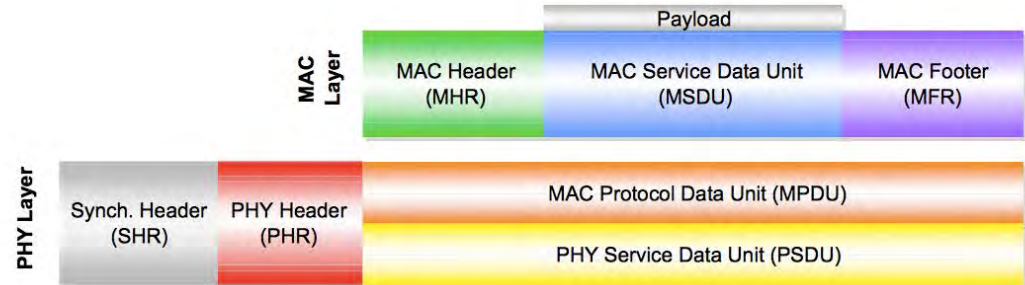
- PAN coordinator tasks: Net ID assignment; Frequency selection; handling request to join; packet relaying
- Co-ordinator: handling request to join; packet relaying



IEEE 802.15.4 ***How a network is started***

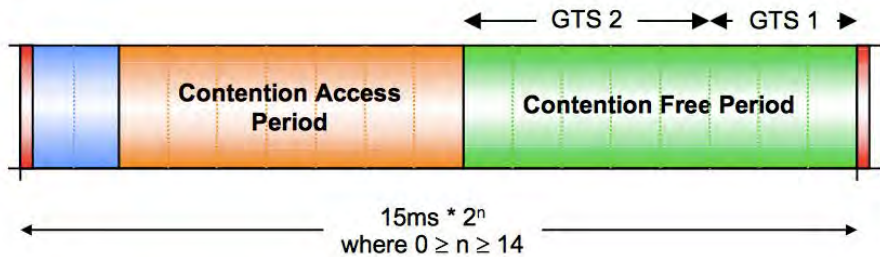
- PAN coordinator election
- PAN coordinator assigns itself a short 16 bit address (not IEEE 64 bit addresses)
- Selects the frequency
- Nodes entering the network perform active scan; discover coordinator
- Send an association request, which is ACK-ed
- PAN coordinator may assign a 16bit address to the joining node







✓ CSMA/CA Based in Beaconless Mode


✓ In Beacon Mode:

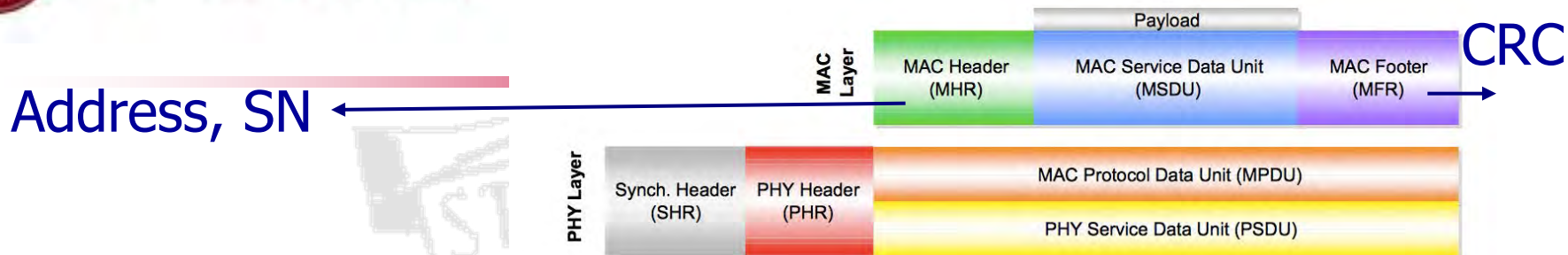


 **Network Beacon**—Transmitted by network coordinator. Contains network information, frame structure and notification of pending node messages.

 **Beacon Extension Period**—Space reserved for beacon growth due to pending node messages.

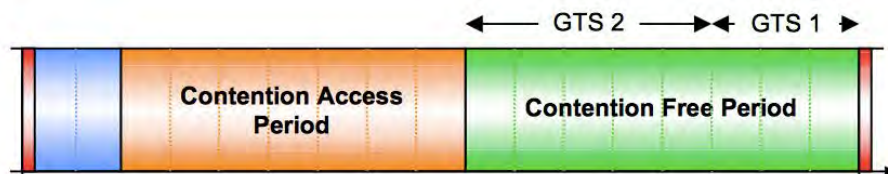
 **Contention Period**—Access by any node using CSMA-CA.

 **Guaranteed Time Slot**—Reserved for nodes requiring guaranteed bandwidth [$n = 0$].



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IEEE 802.15.4e envisions

Other types of MAC.

Standard extended also to other bandwidth

Data frames for the transport of actual data, such as IPv6 frames packaged according to the 6LoWPAN format specification;

Acknowledgment frames that are meant to be sent back by a receiver immediately after successful reception of a data frame, if requested by the acknowledgment request bit in the data frame MAC header;

MAC layer command frames, used to enable various MAC layer services such as association to and disassociation from a coordinator, and management of synchronized transmission; and

Beacon frames, used by a coordinator to structure the communication with its associated nodes.



- CSMA/CA
- If a sender has a packet to transmit, it picks a random backoff delay then it listens to the channel (CCA)
- If free then it sends data which is acked
- If busy it retries after waiting for an increased backoff interval

All MAC protocols for sensing systems we have seen assume to operate on an IEEE 802.15.4 compliant networks operating in beaconless mode



Beaconless to/from a PAN coordinator

- One element is always on? Node wake up request for possible data stored for them or send data through CSMA/CA

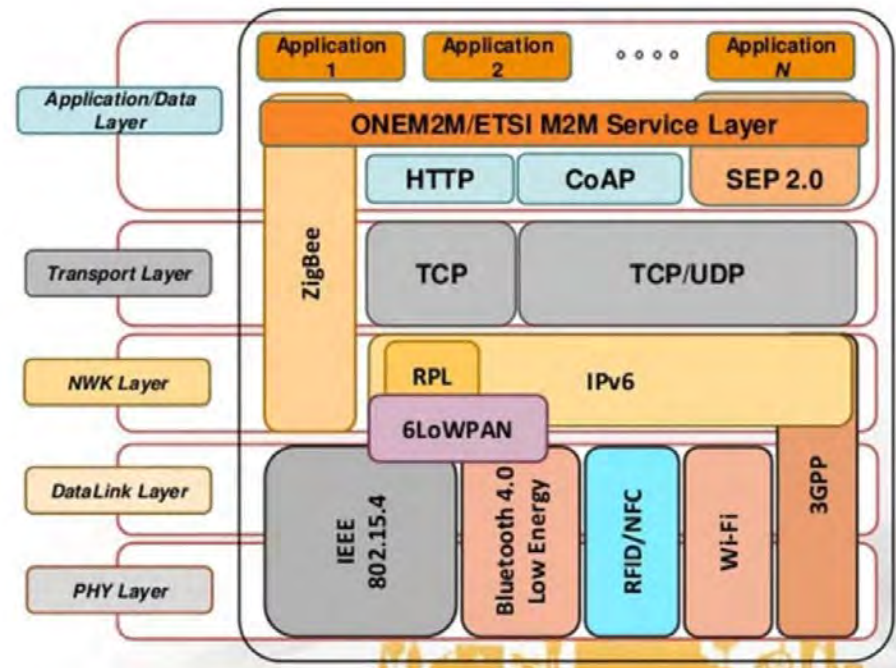
Mesh Network

- Described CSMA/CA protocol
- Nodes duty cycle
- Can be integrated with synchronous/asynchronous MAC protocols we have seen in the last class



First ZigBee protocol stack

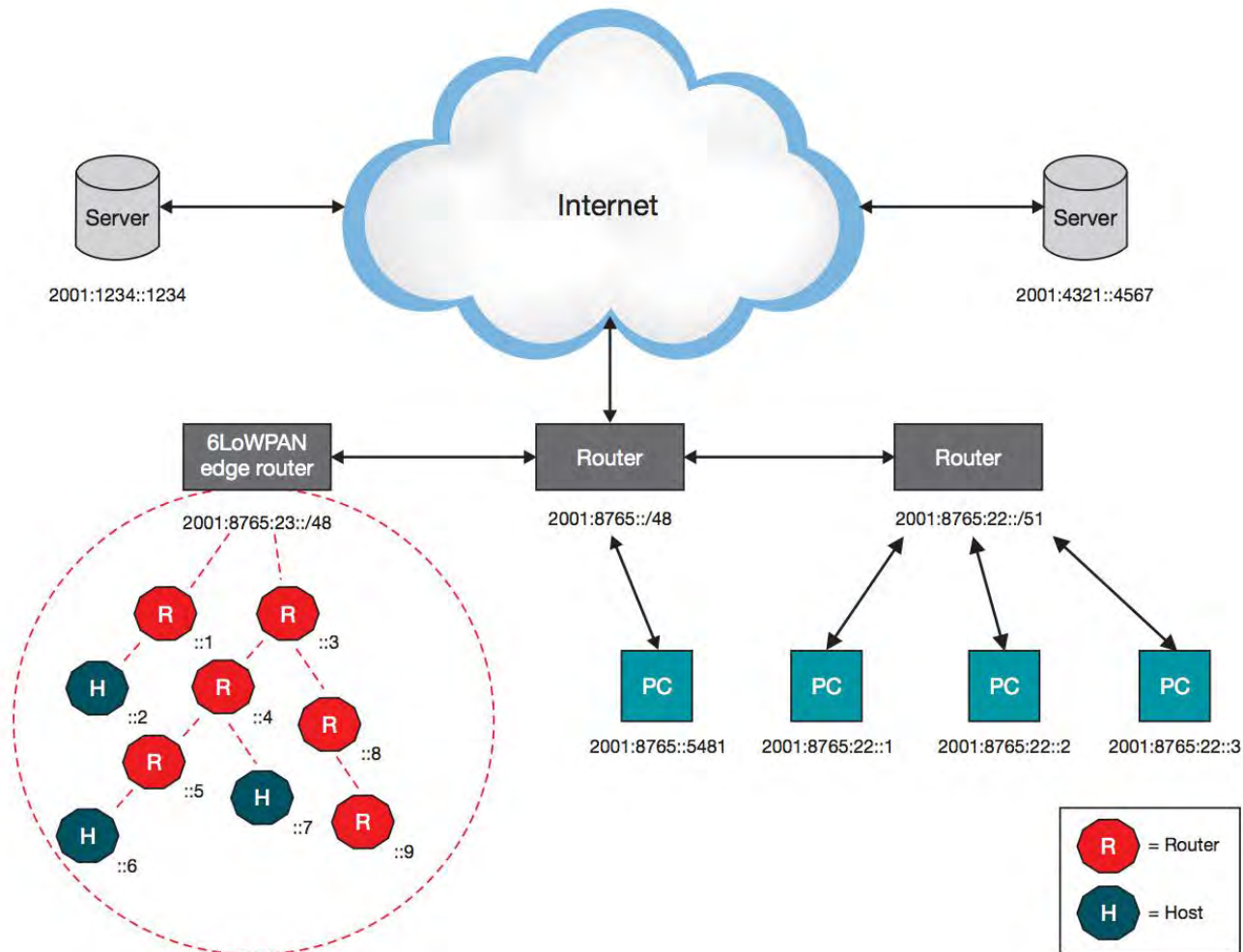
- IEEE 802.15.4
- Lightweight AODV implementation at the routing layer
- Application layers

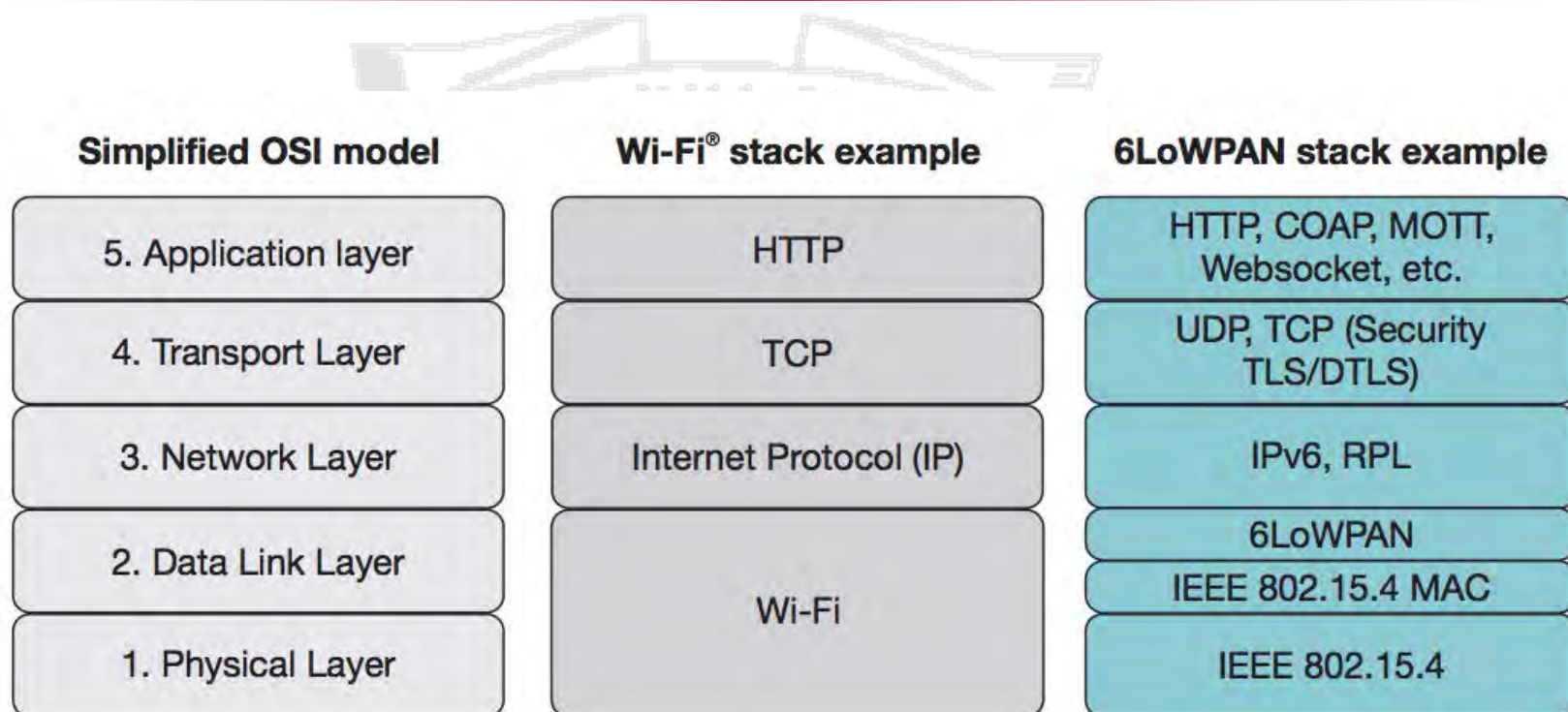




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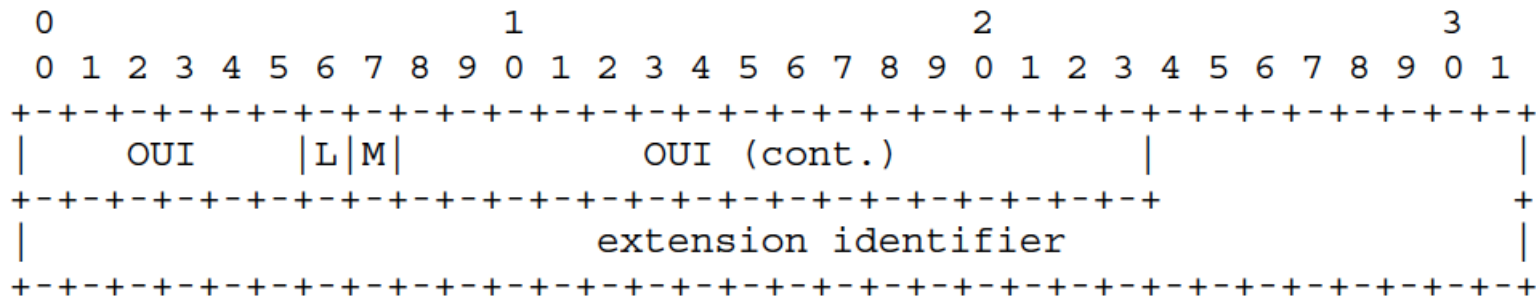
- See:
- <http://www.ti.com/lit/wp/swry013/swry013.pdf>
- 6LoWPAN: Incorporating IEEE 802.15.4 into the IP architecture. Internet Protocol for Smart Objects (IPSO) Alliance, White paper # 3. By Jonathan Hui, David Culler, Samita Chakrabarti.







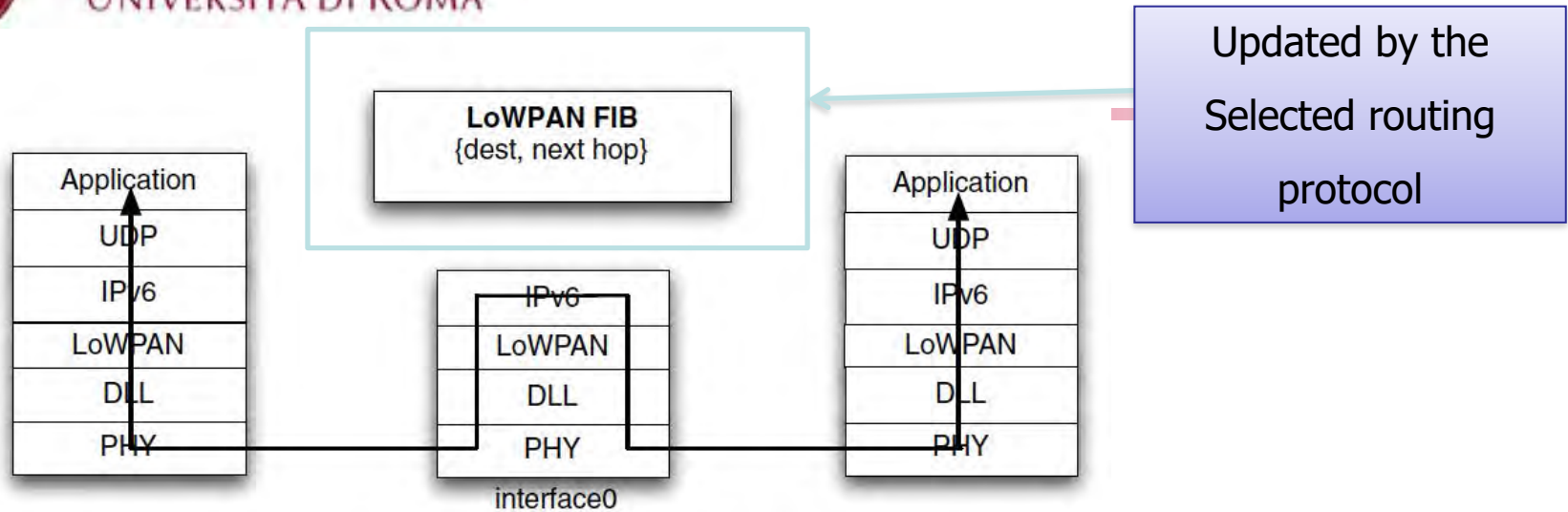
- Addressing: not routable local addresses. Smart objects are permanently identified by EUI-64 identifiers (8 bytes)
 - short 16 bit local address is assigned during network bootstrapping to reduce overhead



- IPv6 address can be (and must be in 6LoWPAN) obtained by concatenating a 64bit network address with the EUI-64



6LoWPAN Routing



```
0          1          2          3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|1 0|V|F|HopsLft|  originator address, final address ...
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

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|1 0|V|F|1 1 1 1|    Hops Left    |  originator address, final address...
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\_ dispatch _/
```

Specifies type and subtype of the header (i.e., which is the meaning of the following information, how many bits Are allocated to each field)



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The fragmentation header is elided for packets that fit into one single IEEE 802.15.4 frame. The mesh header is not used when sending data over one hop only.

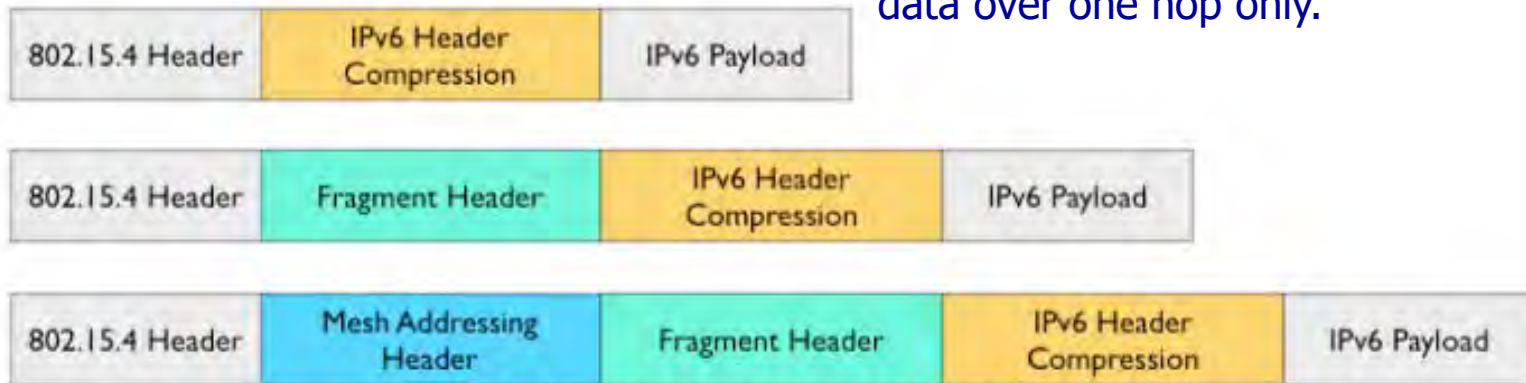


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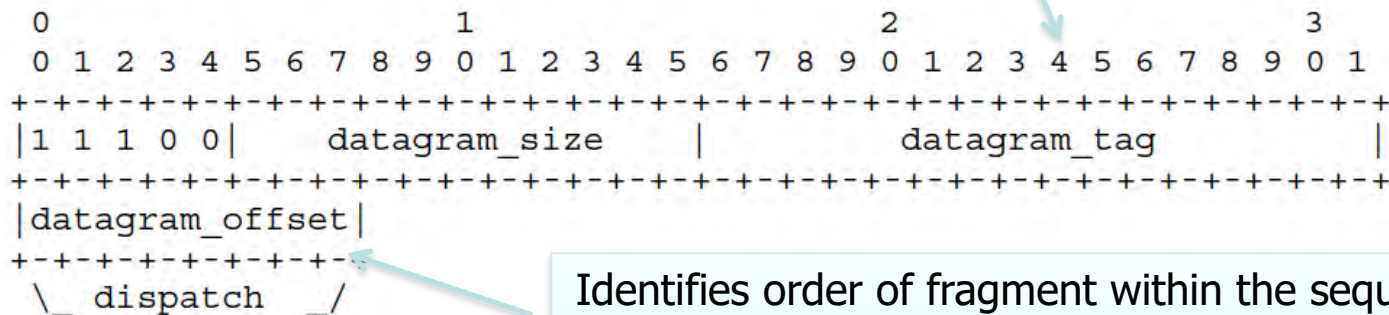
Figure 3. 6LoWPAN Fragment Header.



Fragmentation

- Used when transmitting L2-L3 PDU larger than 128 bytes
- Fragmentation/reassembly performed at the link level.

Fragmentation header:



Together with source/destination used to
Identify the original packet

Identifies order of fragment within the sequence
of fragments of the same packet

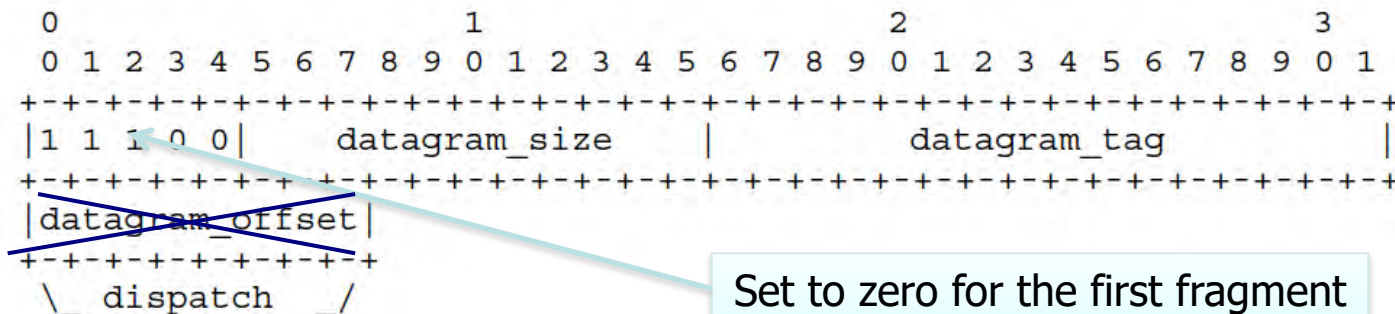
- Compression again as key aspect for header design.



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Fragmentation header:



- Datagram size describes the total (un-fragmented) payload.
- Datagram tag identifies the set of fragments and is used to match fragments of the same payload.
- Datagram offset identifies the fragment's offset within the un-fragmented payload.
- The fragment header length is 4 bytes for the first header and 5 bytes for all subsequent headers



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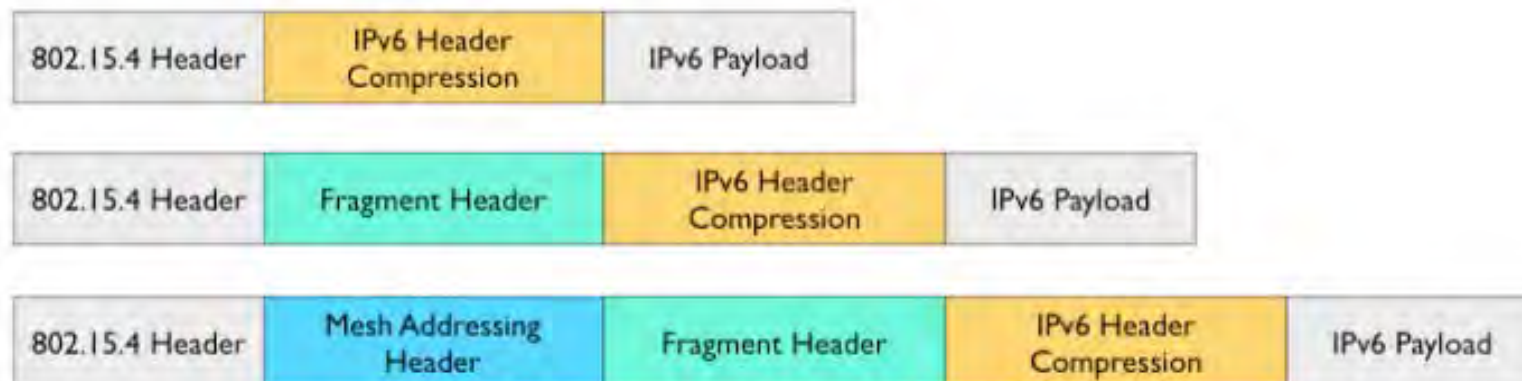


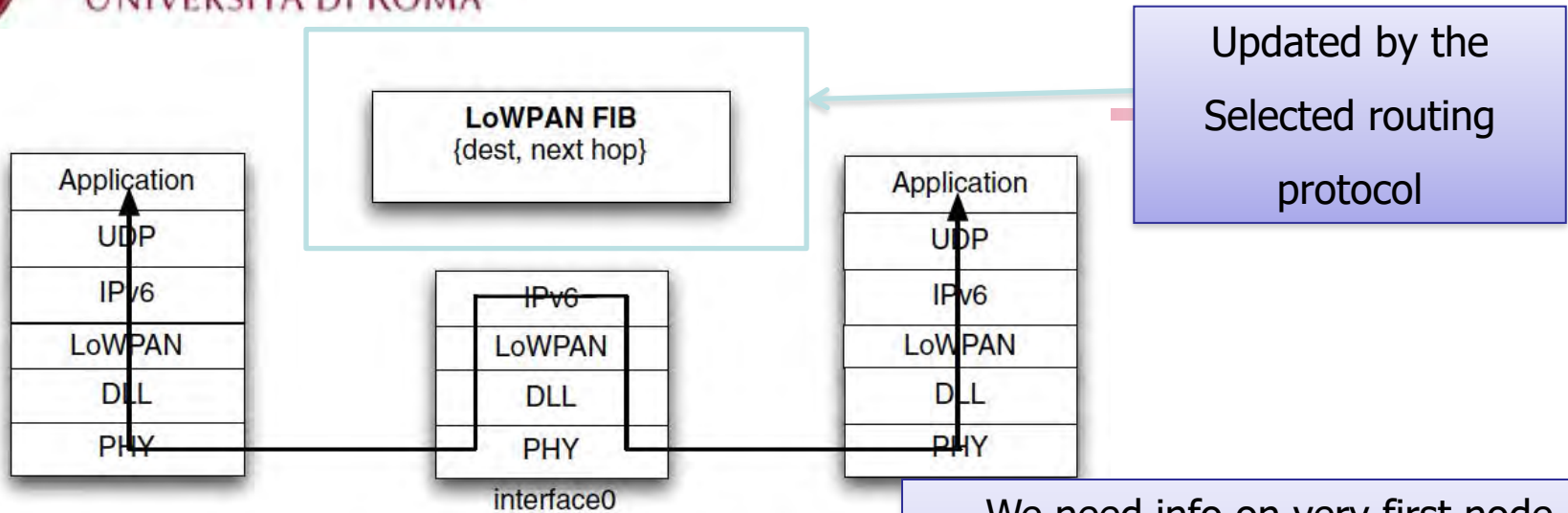
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Figure 4. 6LoWPAN Mesh Addressing Header.



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+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|1 0|V|F|HopsLft| originator address, final ad
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|1 0|V|F|1 1 1 1| Hops Left | originator a
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
\_ dispatch _/
```

We need info on very first node (V—source node), e.g., for reassembly, and on final destination (F) for routing. Such information are always provided In the mesh header (which is the first Header in multi-hop networks)

Specifies type and subtype of the header (i.e., which is the meaning of the following information, how many bits Are allocated to each field)



two categories of routing are defined: mesh-under or route-over. Mesh-under uses the layer-two (link layer) addresses (IEEE 802.15.4 MAC or short address) to forward data packets (the network is seen as a single IP SubNet); while route-over uses layer three (network layer) addresses (IP addresses). In the latter case the routing protocol is RPL.

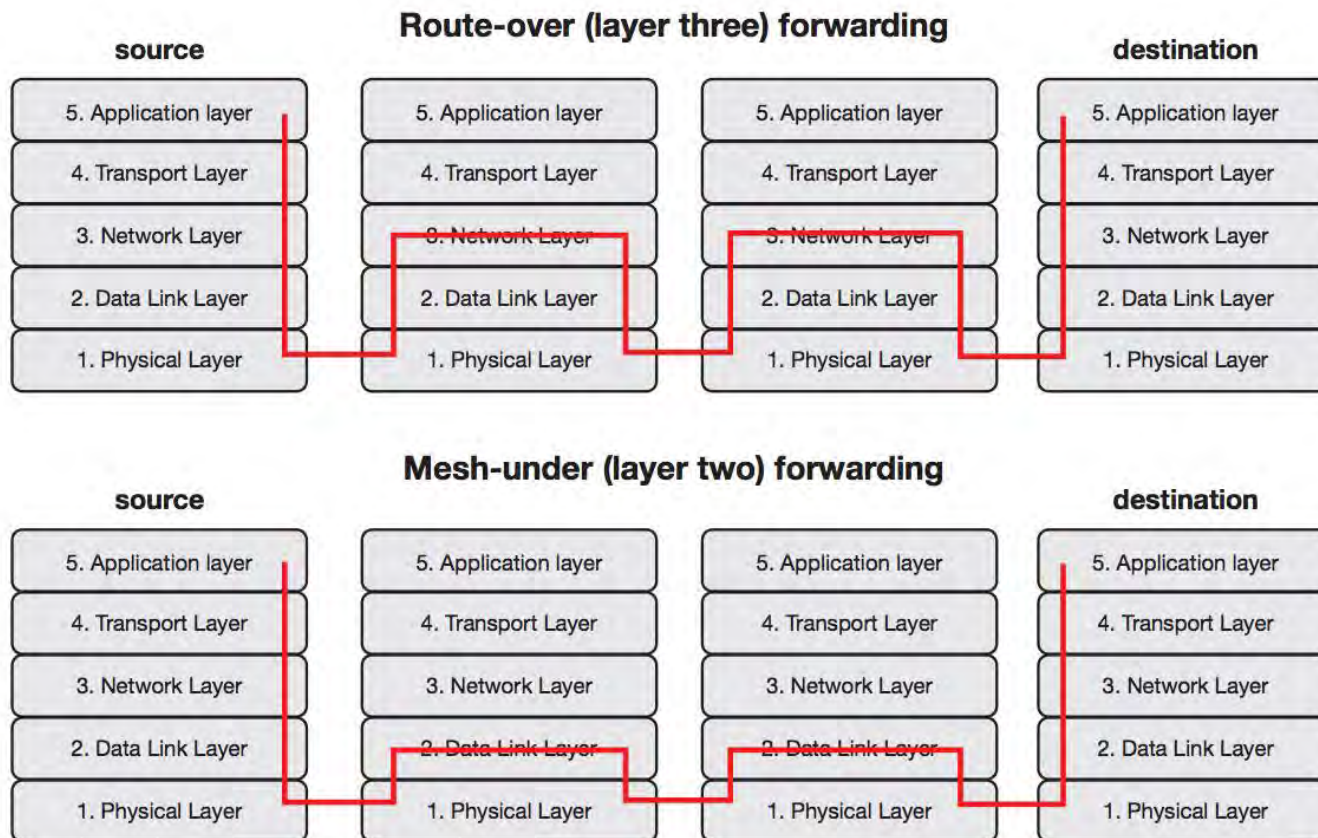
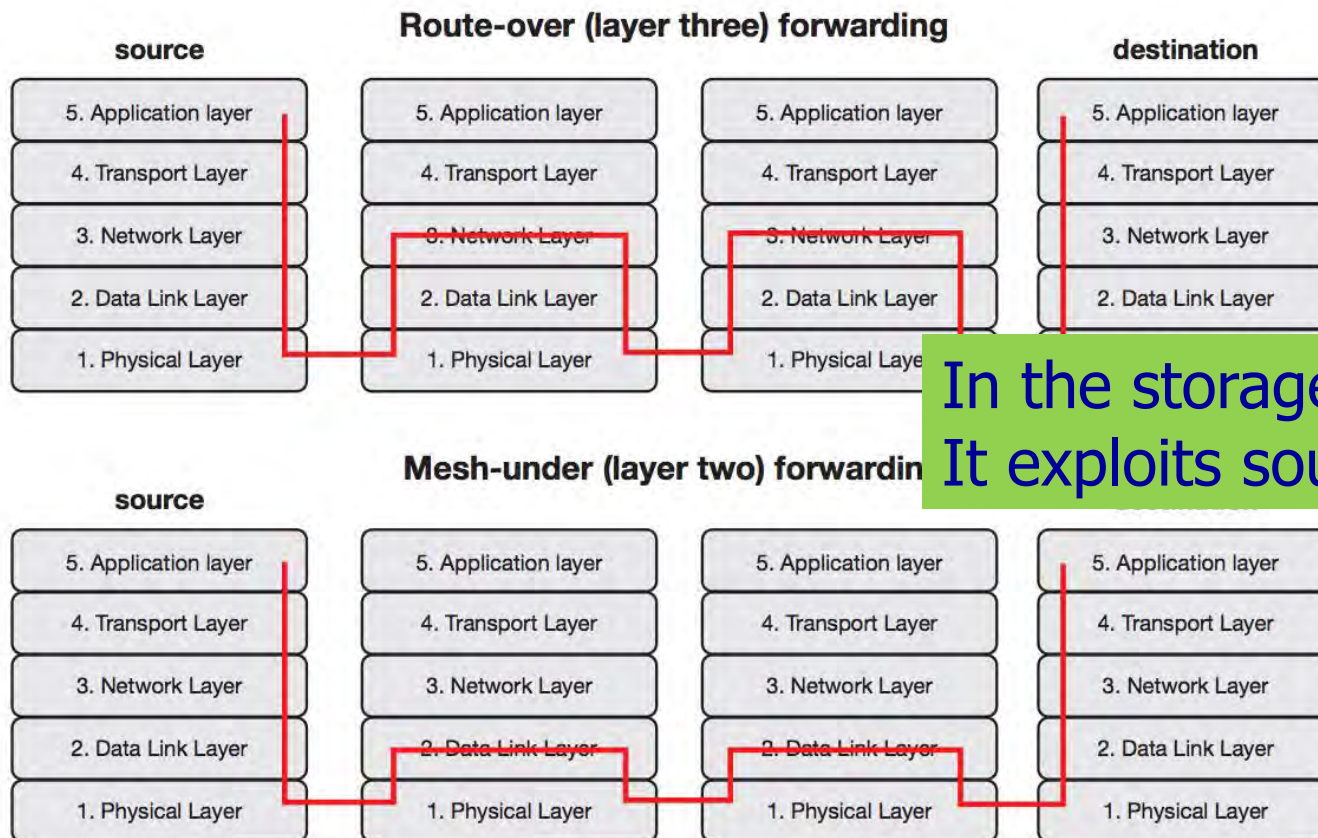


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In the storage free mode
It exploits source routing

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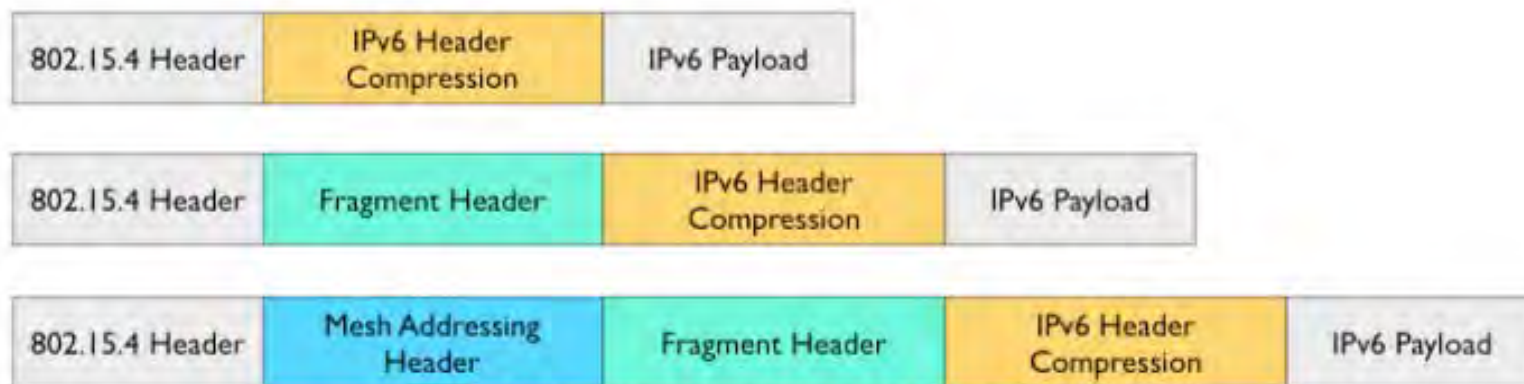


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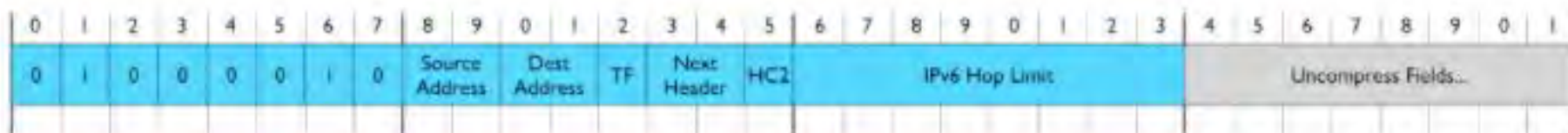
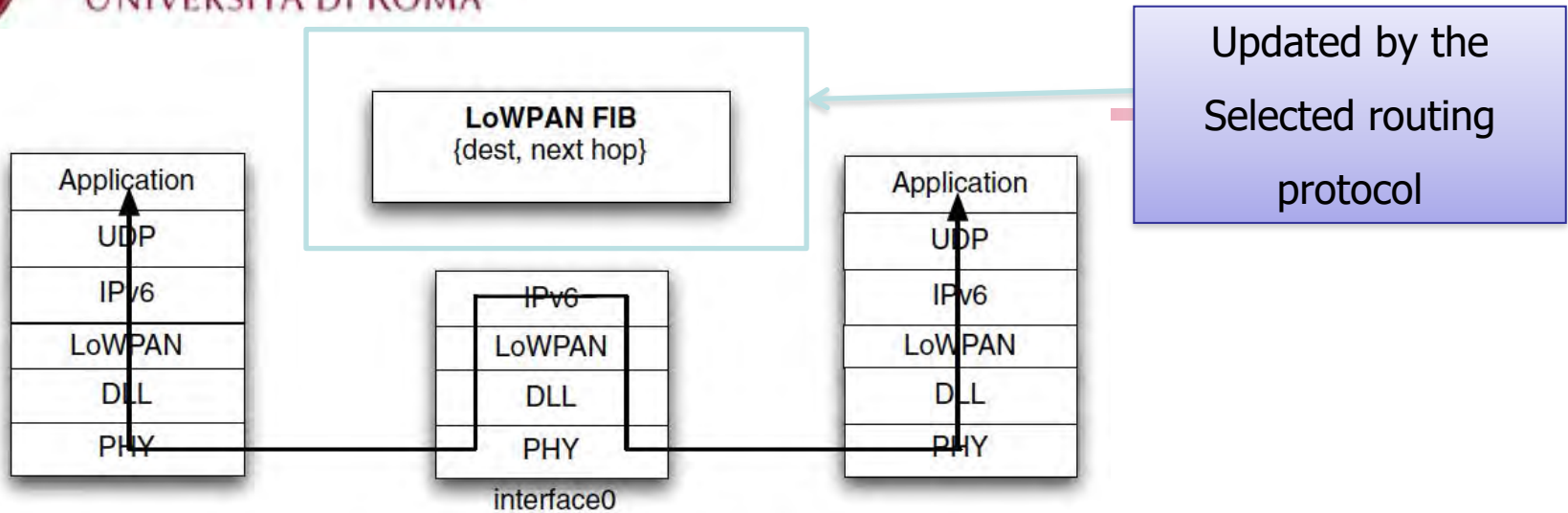


Figure 5. 6LoWPAN RFC 4944 IPv6 Header Compression.





6LoWPAN Routing



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0                               1
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|1 0|V|F|HopsLft| originator address, final address ...
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+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
|1 0|V|F|1 1 1 1| Hops Left | originator address, final address...
+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
\_ dispatch _/
```

V and F bits say whether a 64 or 16 bit
Address will follow

Specifies type and subtype of the header (i.e., which is the
meaning of the following information, how many bits
Are allocated to each field)



- Limited Packet size
- Transmitting 128bits addresses + information needed for security purposes can lead to very high overhead
- Solution: header compression
 - Stateless header compression
 - ✓ HC1: compresses IPv6 headers
 - ✓ HC2 compresses UDP headers

HC1 compression

```
0      1      2      3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+++++
|0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0|SAE|DAE|C|NH |0|      Non-Compressed fields...
+++++
\_ dispatch _/ \_ HC1 header_/
```

Identifies that an HC2 header follows

```
0      1      2      3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+++++
|0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0|SAE|DAE|C|NH |1|S|D|L|_____| N.-C. fields...
+++++
\_ dispatch _/ \_ HC1 header_/ \_ HC2 header_/
```




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Used to avoid transmitting
First 64 bits of the address

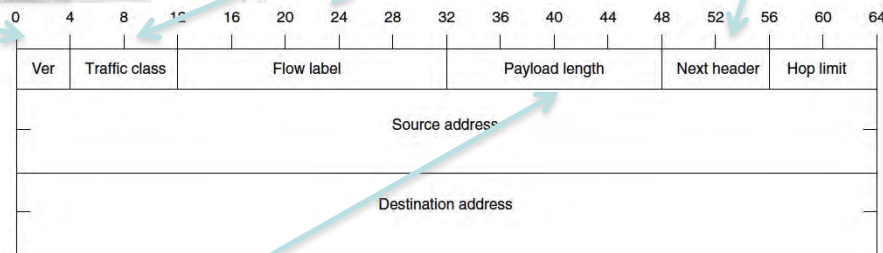
Always 6 not
transmitted in HC1

Often 0. C=1
means their
values are zero

Some likely values
(UDP,TCP,ICMP)
expressed by
The two bit NH. If
NH !=0 can be
skipped

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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0|SAE|DAE|C|NH|0| Non-Compressed fields...
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Can be inferred by other
Headers--Not transmitted



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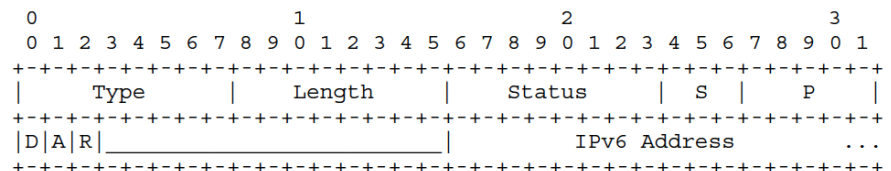
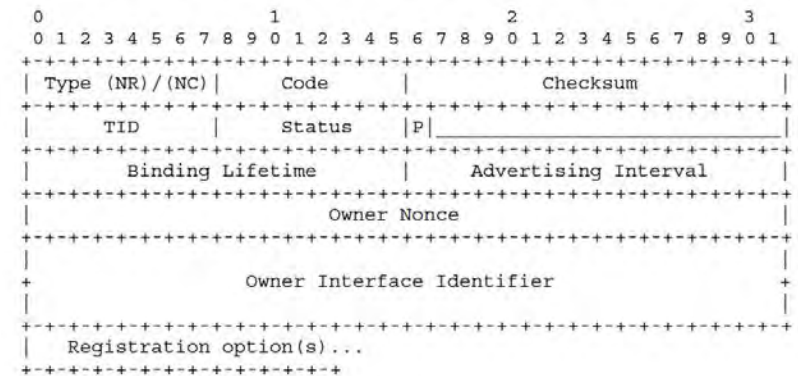
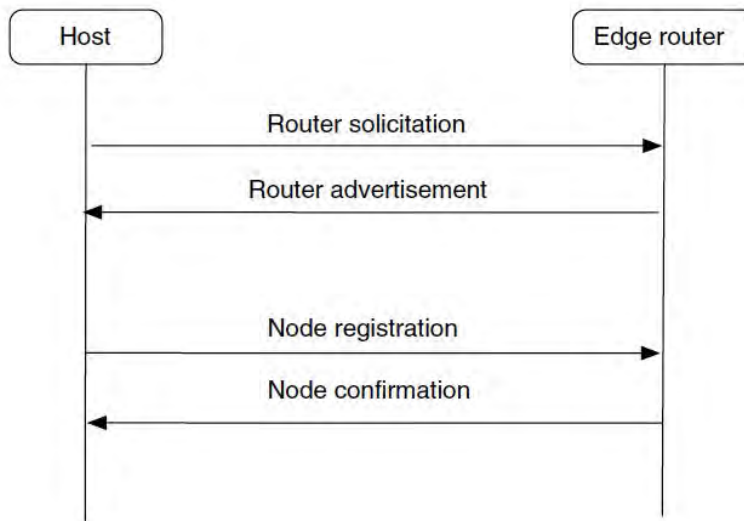
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| 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 | SAE | DAE | C | NH | 1 | S | D | L | _____ | N.-C. fields...
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
\_ dispatch _/ \_ HC1 header_/ \_ HC2 header_/
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Source/destination
port field compression
How? favoring port selection
among a subset of possible
ports

Indicates length size can be
inferred and is thus not included

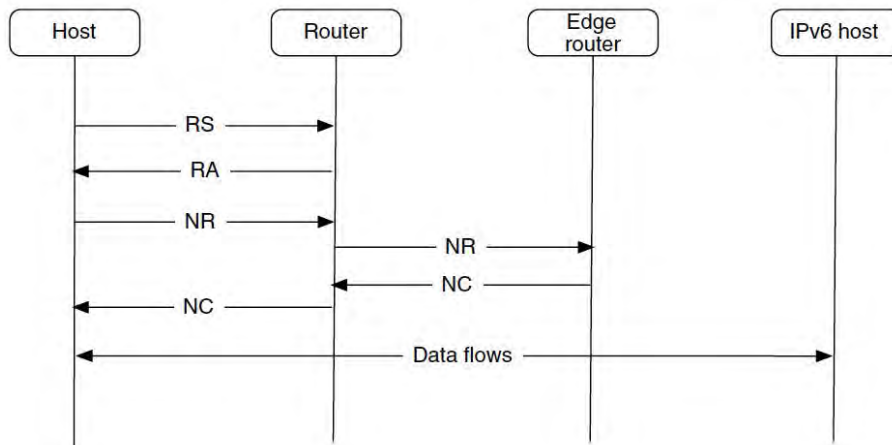


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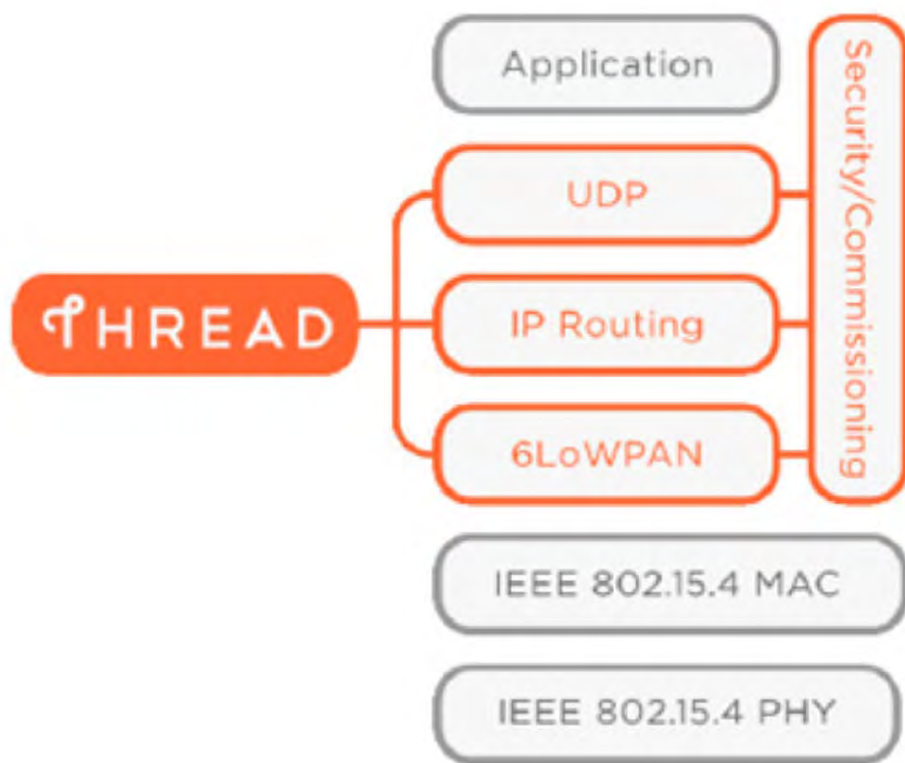
- Router solicitation (RS)
- Router advertisement (RA)
- Neighbor solicitation (NS)
- Neighbor advertisement (NA)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1		
Type										Length						Status						S	P
D A R _____										IPv6 Address												...	



To read:

https://www.threadgroup.org/Portals/0/documents/support/6LoWPANUsage_632_2.pdf



Standard-like routing Protocols for WSNs

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Collection Tree Protocol in Proceedings of ACM Sensys 2009

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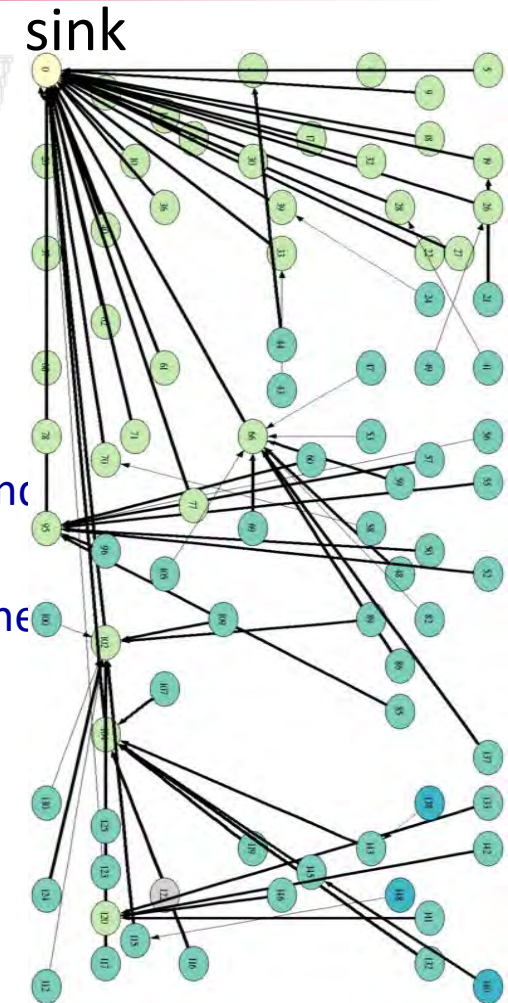
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- Anycast route to the sink(s)
 - Used to collect data from the network to a small number of sinks (roots, base stations)
 - Each node selects one of its neighbors nodes as its parent
 - ✓ Parents handle packets received from the children and further forward them towards the sink
 - ✓ when there are multiple sinks, data are sent to the one with the minimum cost
- A distance vector protocol
 - Metric for selecting next hop:
 - ✓ Distance in hops from the sink
 - ✓ Quality of the local communication link

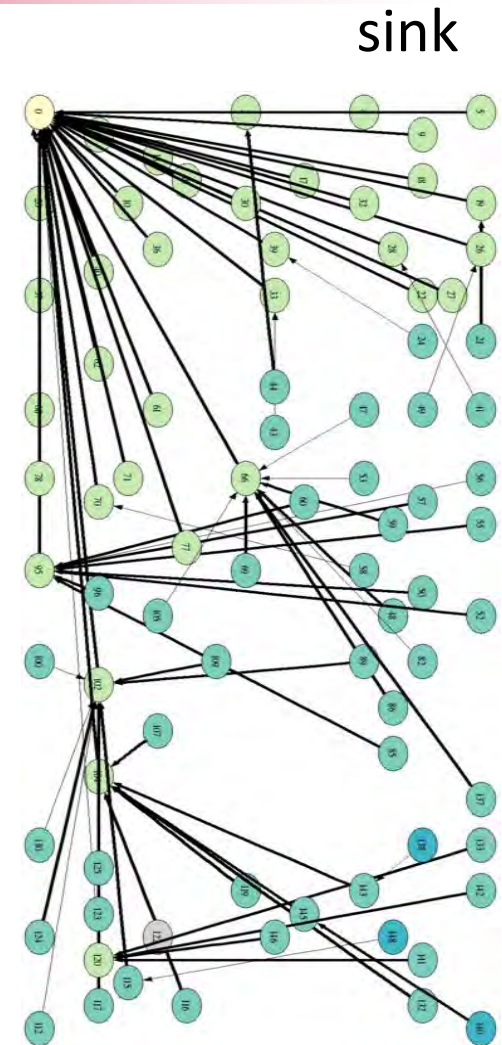




Desirable properties for collection tree protocol

- Reliability: a protocol should deliver at least 90% of end-to-end packets when a route exists
- Robustness: it should be able to operate without tuning or configuration in a wide range of network conditions;
- Energy Efficiency
- Hardware Independence

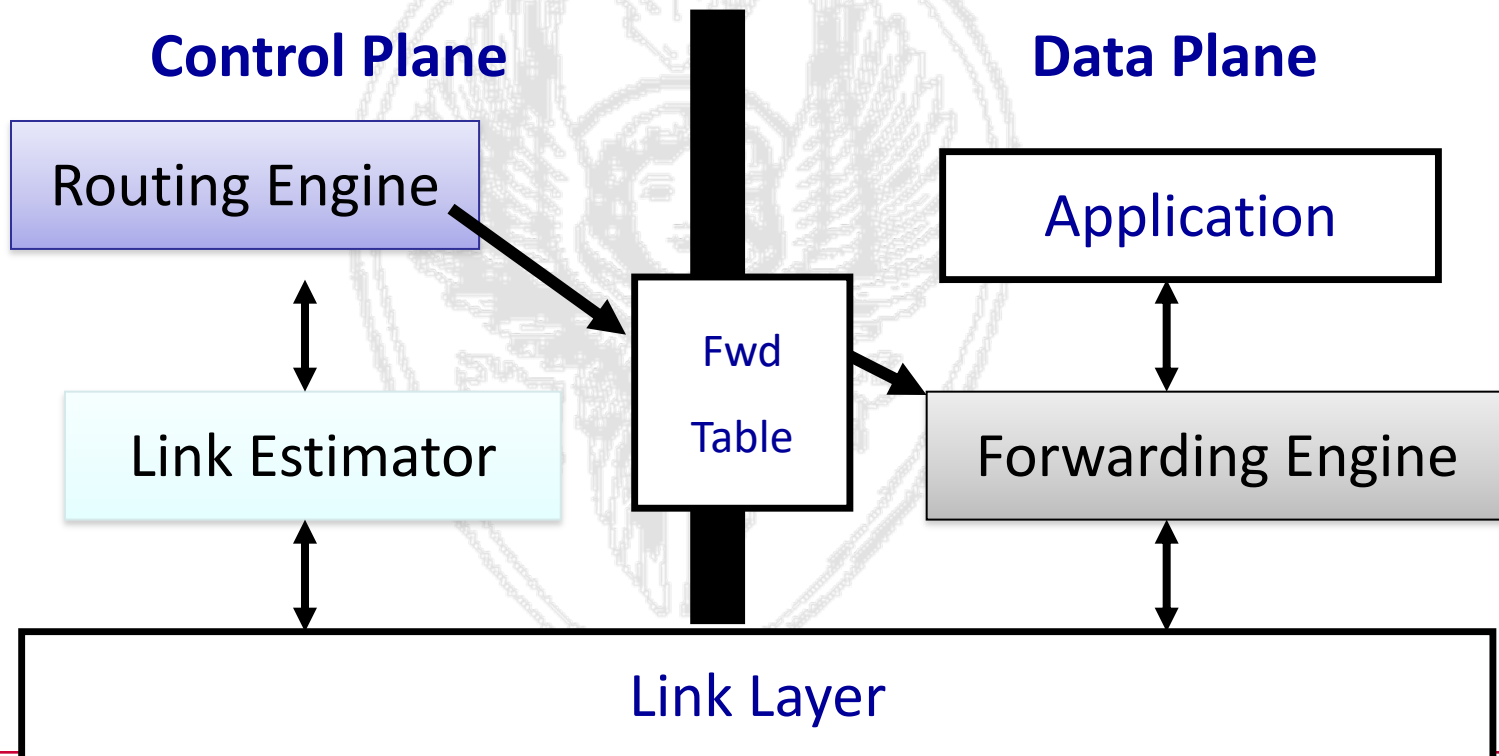
Observation: link quality changes fast (even every 0,5s)





Sending and receiving beacons
for route construction and maintenance
Creating and updating the routing table

Perform forwarding
Detect and Repair Loops, filter duplicate
packets





- ETX = Expected Number of Transmissions to reach the sink
- Computed based on performance experienced in the recent past by beacon and data packets for the local 1-hop ETX_{loc}

$$Q_u = \frac{n_u}{n_a}.$$

$$Q_b[k] = \alpha_b \frac{n_b}{N_b} + (1 - \alpha_b) Q_b[k - 1].$$

- ETX_{mhp} via a given neighbor computed as the sum of the ETX_{loc} and of the estimated ETX_{mhp} at that neighbor

Number of bits needed
To tx successfully Nb ones

Parent selected only among uncongested nodes



Pull bit

- ETX = Expected Number of Transmissions
- Compute Congested bit format past by beacon and data packets

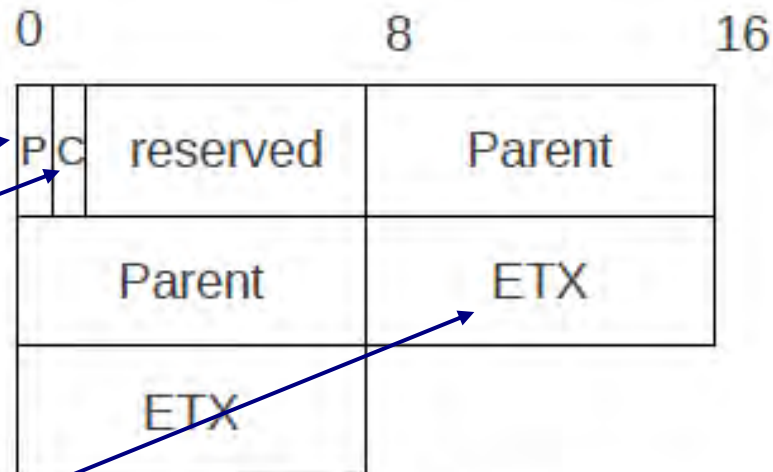
$$Q_u = \frac{n_u}{n_a}$$

Routing cost

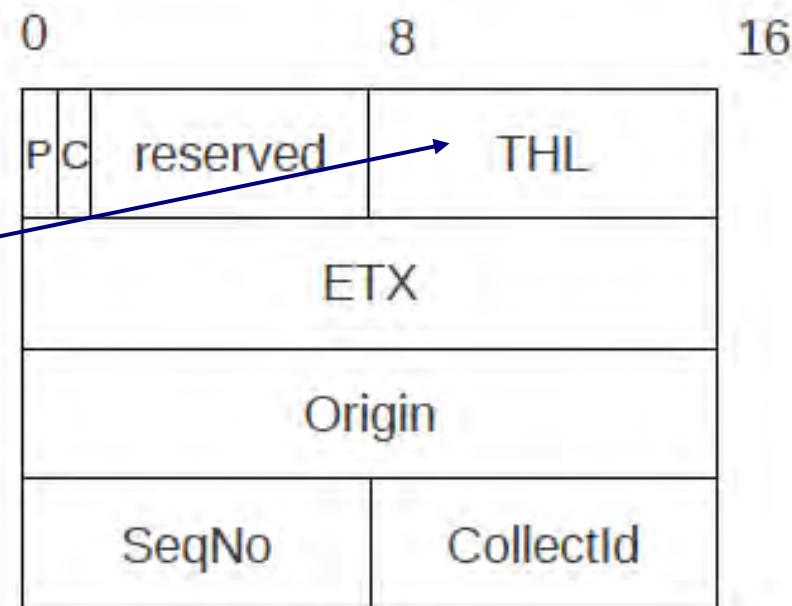
- ETX_{mhp} via a given neighbor compared to ETX_{loc} and of the estimated ETX at that neighbor

Time has lived

Parent selected only among



a. CTP Routing Frame

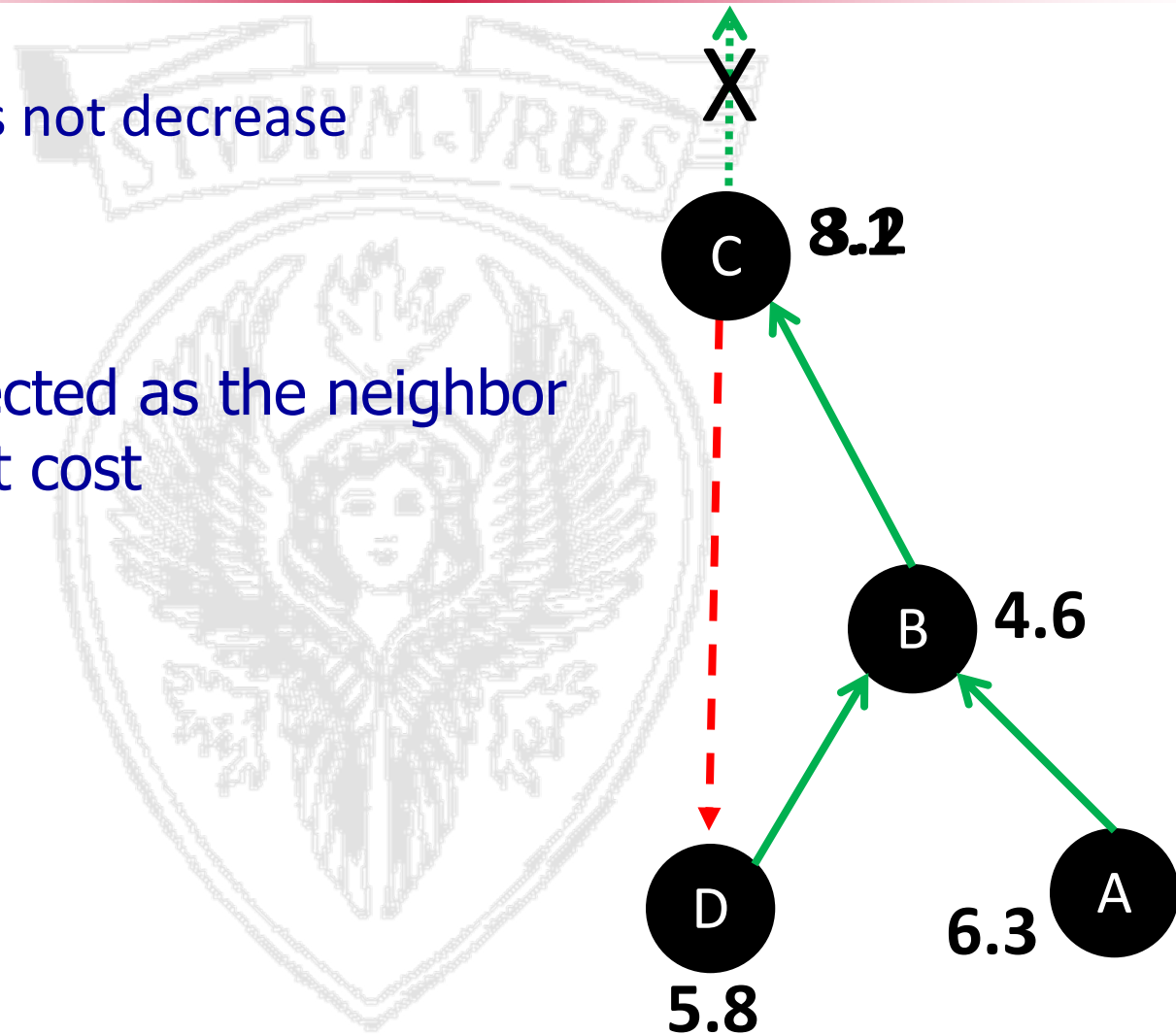


b. CTP Data Frame



- Cost does not decrease

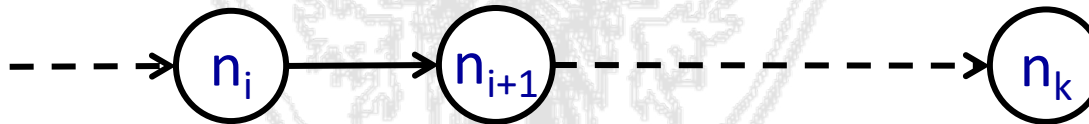
Parent selected as the neighbor with lowest cost



- *Next hop* should be closer to the destination
- Maintain this consistency criteria on a path

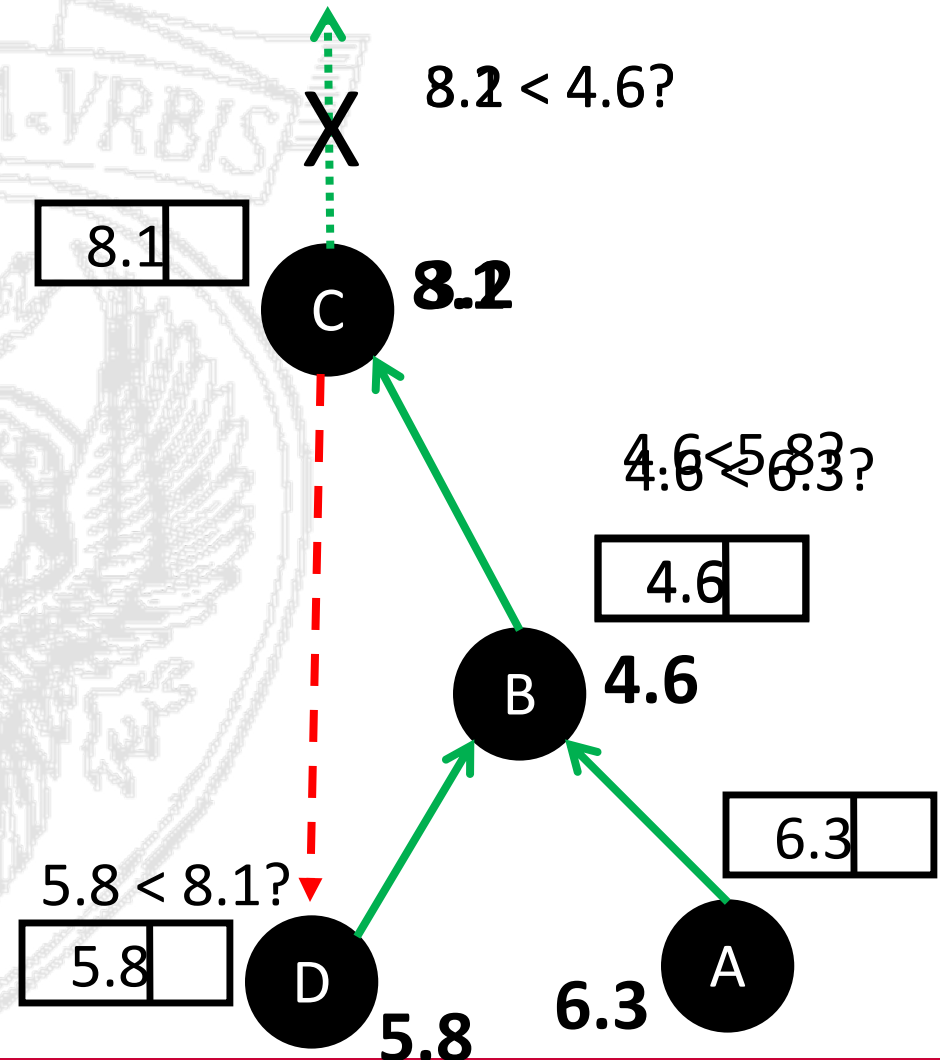
$$\forall i \in \{0, k-1\}, ETX(n_i) > ETX(n_{i+1})$$

- Inconsistency due to stale state



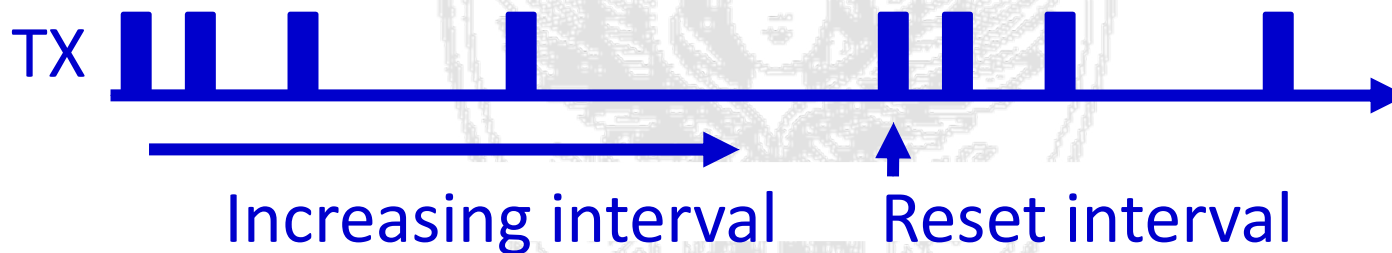


- Datapath validation
 - Cost in the packet
 - Receiver checks
- Inconsistency
 - Larger cost than on the packet
- On Inconsistency
 - Don't drop the packets
 - Signal the control plane



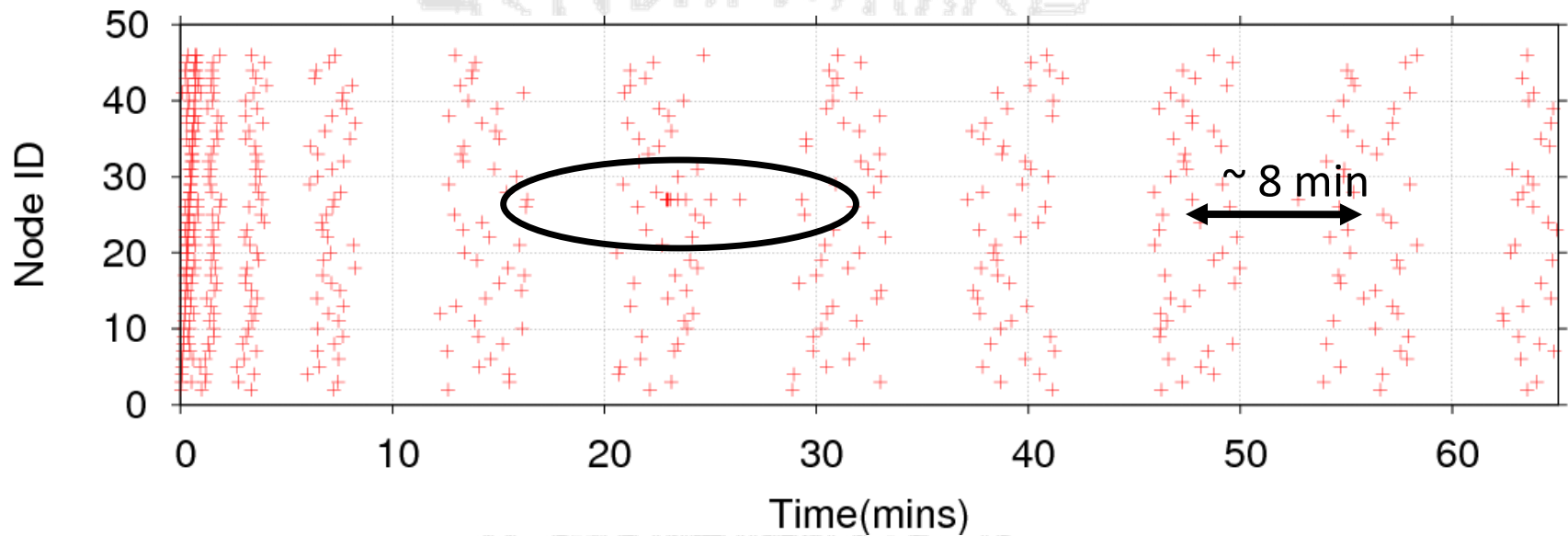


- Extend Trickle to time routing beacons
- Reset the interval
 - ✓ $ETX(\text{receiver}) \geq ETX(\text{sender})$
 - ✓ Significant decrease in gradient
 - ✓ “Pull” bit



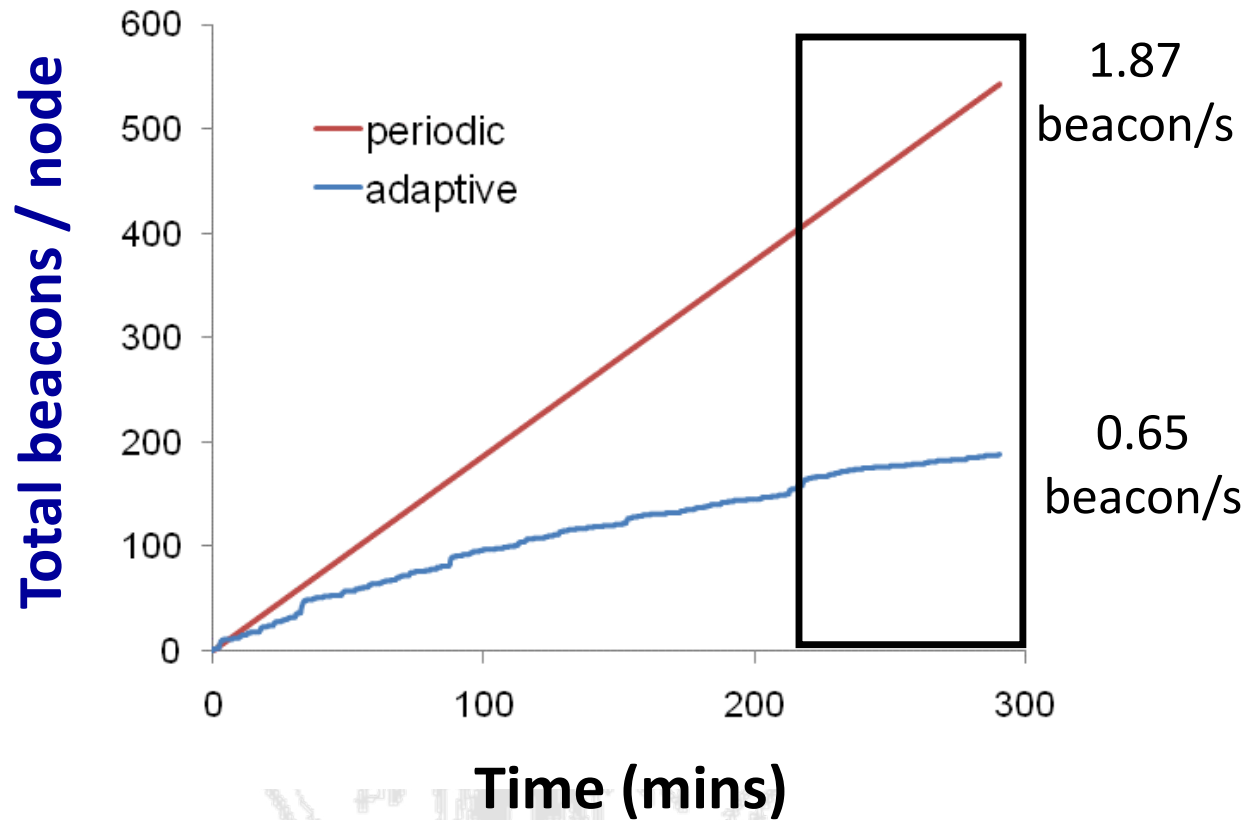
Control propagation rate

- Start with a small interval
- Double the interval up to some max
- Reset to the small interval when inconsistency identified



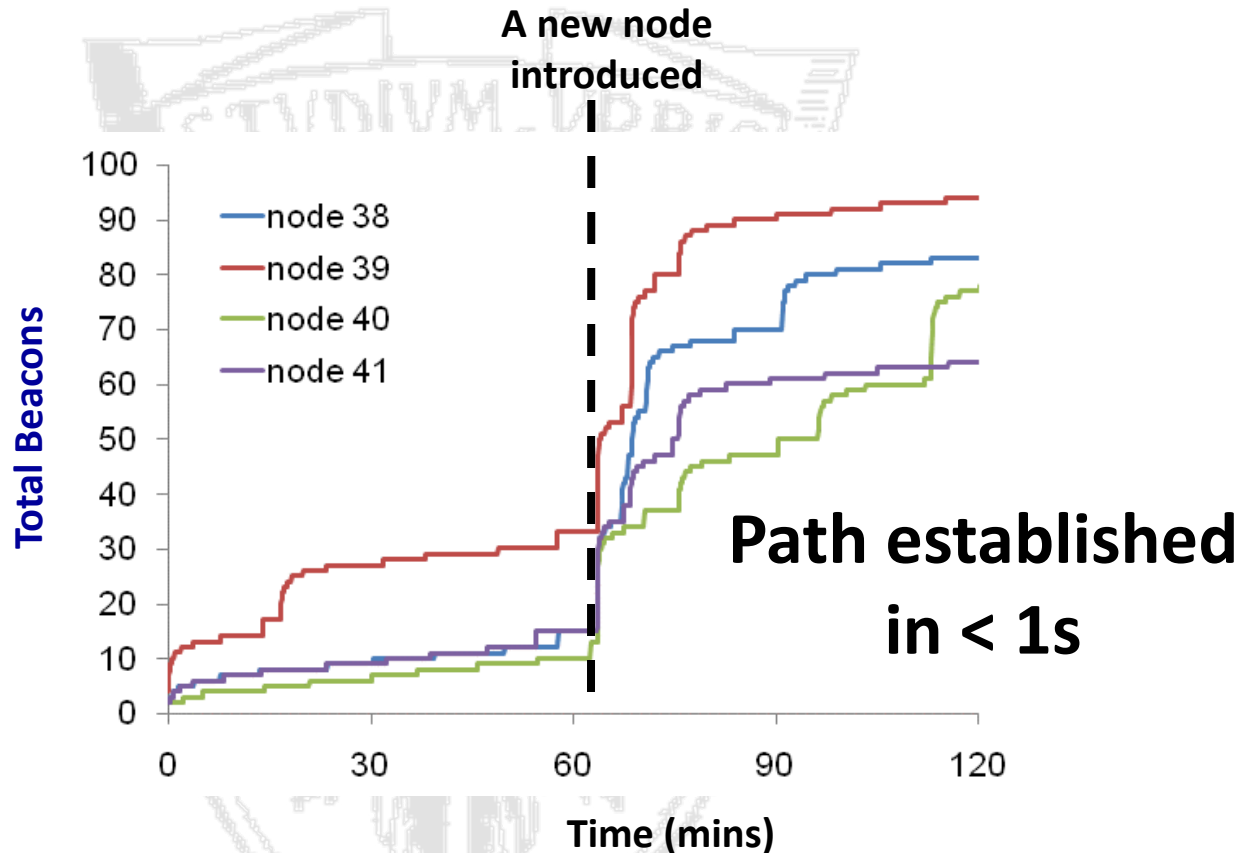
Tutornet

Infrequent beacons in the long run



Tutornet

Less overhead compared to 30s-periodic



Tutornet

Efficient and agile at the same time



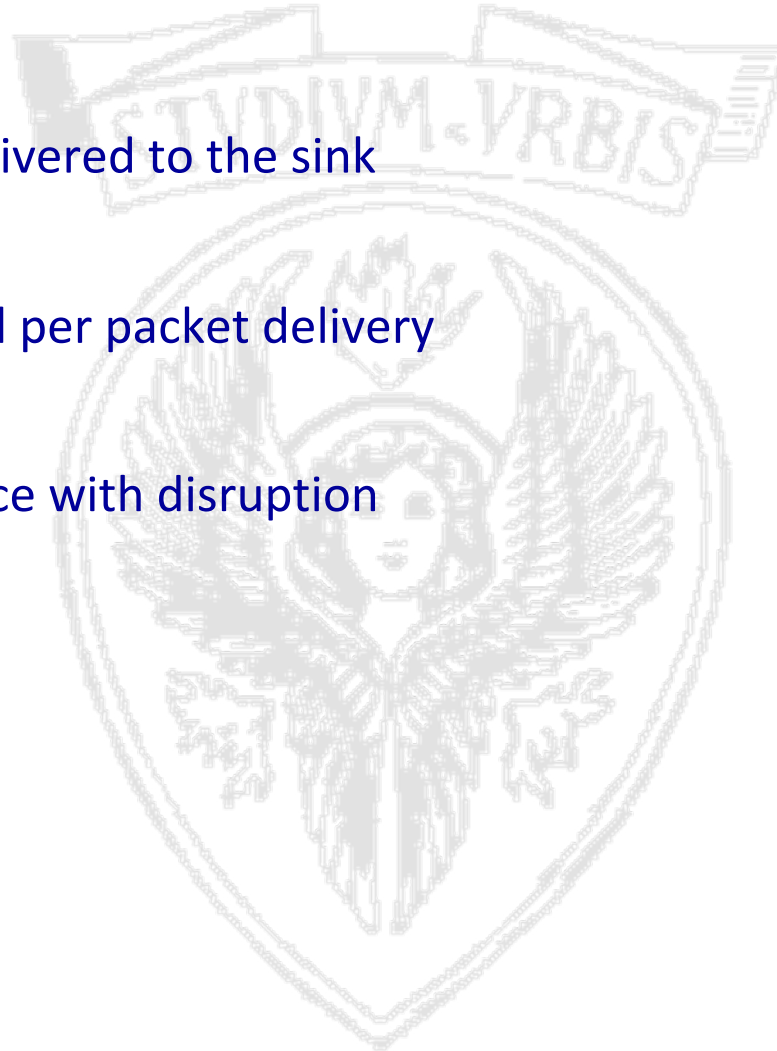
- 12 testbeds
- 20-310 nodes
- 7 hardware platforms
- 4 radio technologies
- 6 link layers

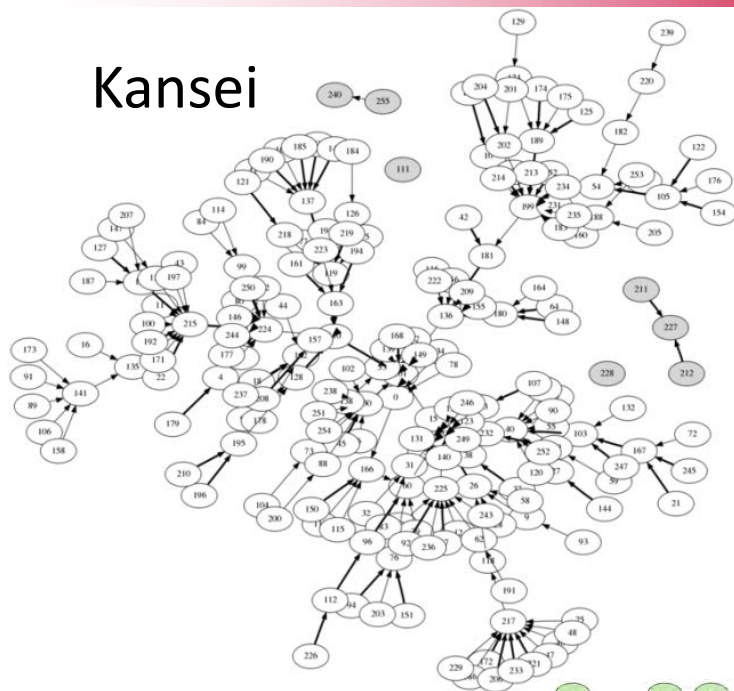
Testbed	Platform	Nodes	Physical size m^2 or m^3
Tutornet	Tmote	91	$50 \times 25 \times 10$
Wymanpark	Tmote	47	80×10
Motelab	Tmote	131	$40 \times 20 \times 15$
Kansei	TelosB	310	40×20
Mirage	Mica2dot	35	50×20
NetEye	Tmote	125	6×4
Mirage	MicaZ	86	50×20
Quanto	Epic-Quanto	49	35×30
Twist	Tmote	100	$30 \times 13 \times 17$
Twist	eyesIFXv2	102	$30 \times 13 \times 17$
Vinelab	Tmote	48	60×30
Blaze	Blaze	20	30×30

Variations in hardware, software, RF environment, and topology

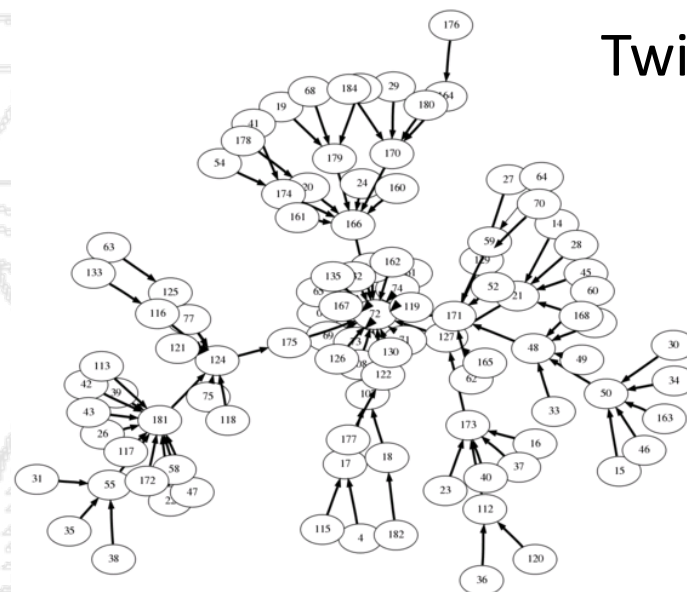


- **Reliable?**
 - Packets delivered to the sink
- **Efficient?**
 - TX required per packet delivery
- **Robust?**
 - Performance with disruption



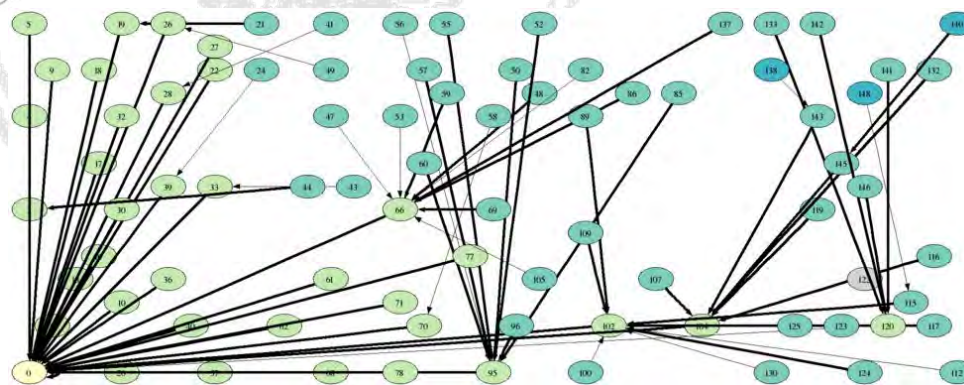


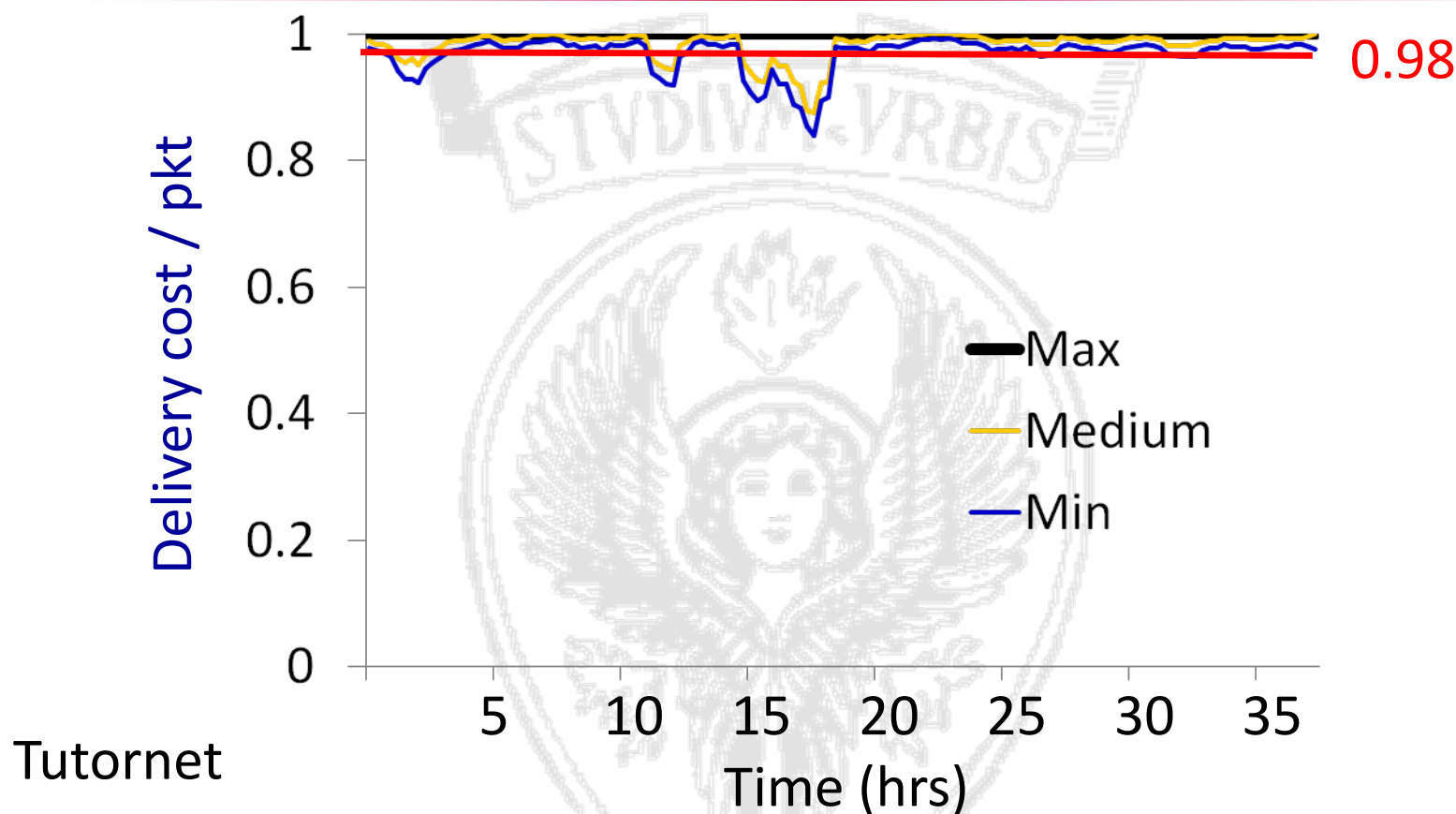
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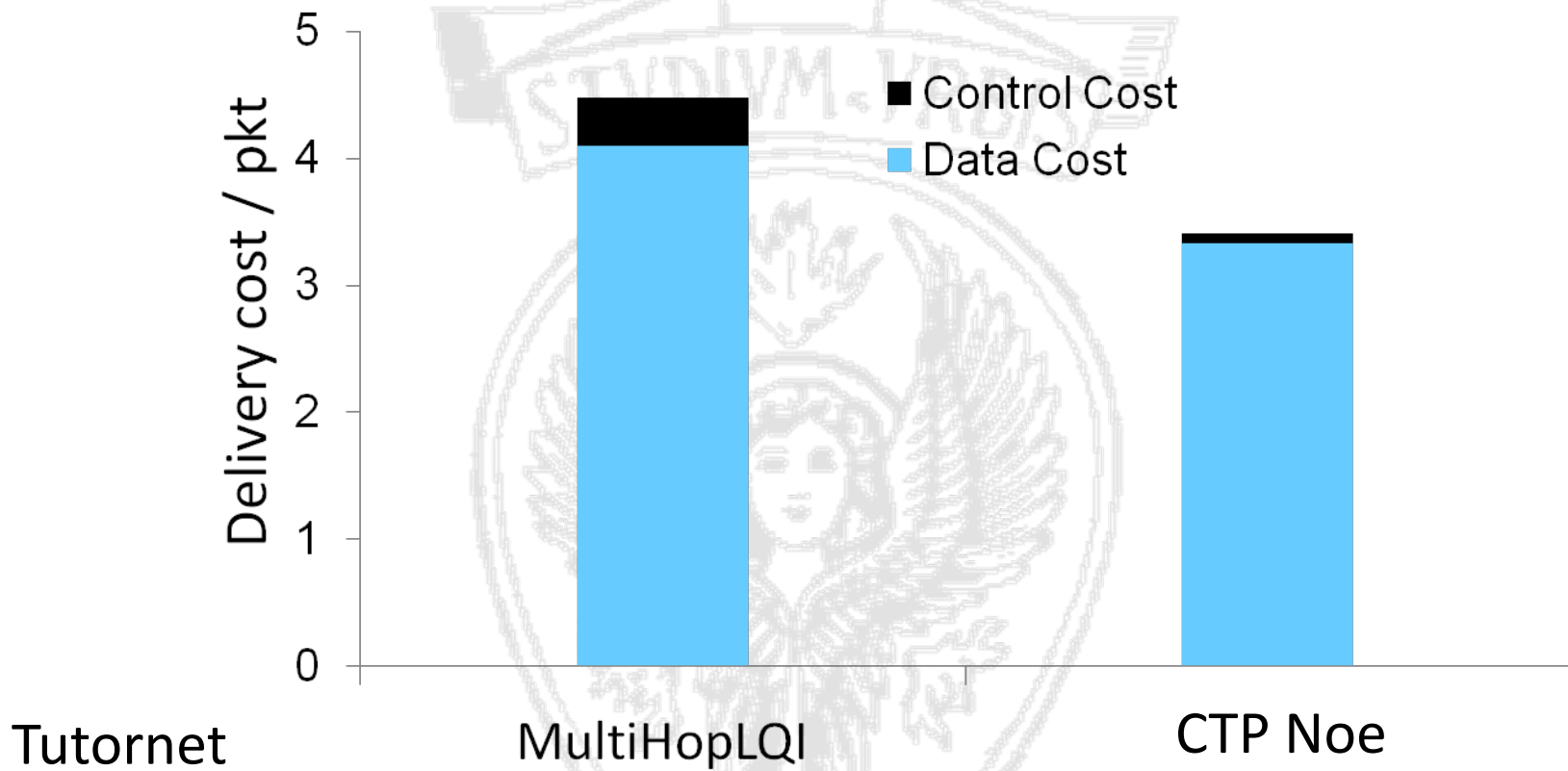
Twist

Mirage





**High delivery ratio across time
(short experiments can be misleading!)**

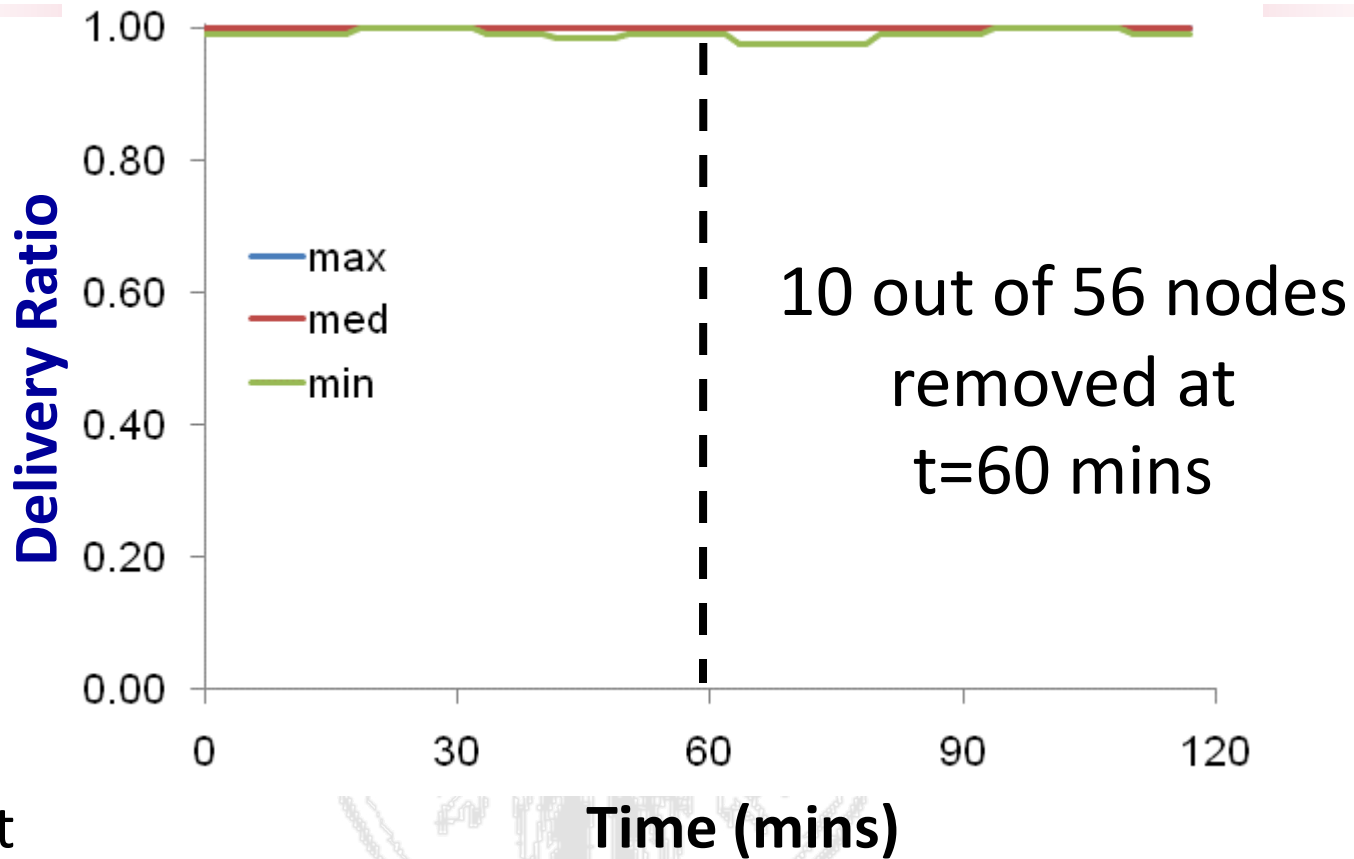


Low data and control cost



Link Layer	Average Delivery	PL	Cost	<u>Cost</u> PL	Duty Cycle	
					Median	Mean
CSMA	94.7%	3.05	5.53	1.81	100.0%	100%
BoX-50ms	94.4%	3.28	6.48	1.98	24.8%	24.9%
BoX-500ms	97.1%	3.38	6.61	1.96	4.0%	4.6%
BoX-1s	95.1%	5.40	8.34	1.54	2.8%	3.8%
LPP-500ms	90.5%	3.76	8.55	2.27	6.6%	6.6%

Low duty-cycle with low-power MACs



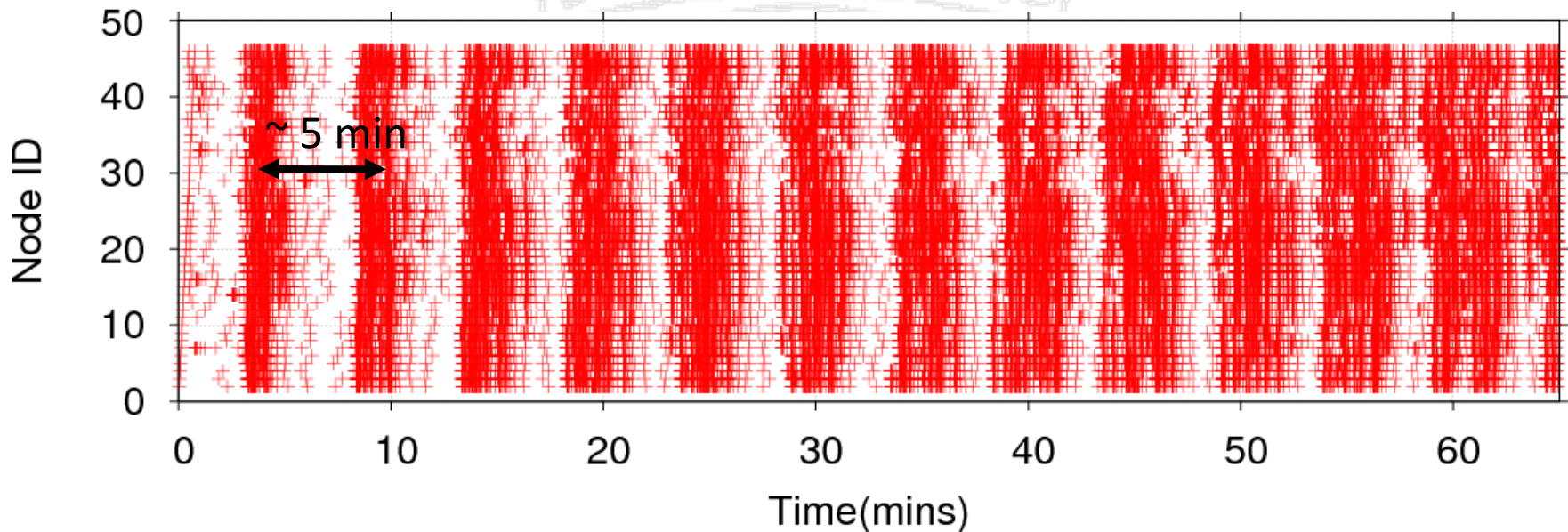
Tutornet

No disruption in packet delivery



Nodes reboot every 5 mins

Routing Beacons



Tutornet

Delivery Ratio > 0.99

High delivery ratio despite serious network-wide disruption
(most loss due to reboot while buffering packet)