



Introduction to variations of MANETs: VANETs and FANETs

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Abstract: Mobile Ad-Hoc Networks are self-ruling and decentralized remote frameworks. In Mobile Ad-hoc Networks (MANET), every dynamic node goes about as a host and also like a router. The nodes impart to each other by communication of hop-to-hop. [1] The dynamic nature of MANET permits nodes to join and leave the system at any time. Nodes are the frameworks or devices i.e. cell phone, tablet, personal digital assistance, and PC that are partaking in the system and are portable. MANET which using wireless is especially helpless because of its principal qualities, for example, open medium, dynamic topology, appropriated collaboration and obliged ability. Thus, security in MANET is a mind-boggling issue.

Introduction

In MANETs key and trust management is a basic supporting component in any of the security frameworks. Its fundamental operations incorporate the building up key swap and amend, and also secret associations. Keys are the essential squares of symmetric and asymmetric cryptographic capacities, which thus outfit confirmation, privacy, uprightness, and non-repudiation security services. The security in systems administration is as a rule subject to appropriate key management. Management of the Key comprises of different administrations, of which each is crucial for the networking system's security.



Trust model: it must be resolved how plenty of different components in the system can believe each other. Subsequently, the trust connections between system components influence the way the key management framework is developed in system.

Trust third party (TTP): [2] a centralized authority (e.g., a key distribution center [KDC] or certification authority [CA]) is trusted by each substance and an element A is trusted by another if the authority claims A is dependable.

Web-of-trust [3]: There is no specific structure exists in such trust charts. Every element deals with its own trust in light of direct suggestion from others.

Localized trust: [4] this model is the center ground of the past two diagrams. A node is trusted if any k trusted substances among the node's one-hop neighbors assert along these lines, inside a limited time period.

Cryptosystems: accessible for the key management, at times just public or symmetric key techniques can be achieved, while in different settings Elliptic Curve Cryptosystems (ECC) are exists. Even though public key cryptography offers more comfort. Public key cryptosystems are somewhat slower than their secret key partners when comparable level of security is required.

There are bunches of trusted models and protocols for routing which are utilized as a part of MANETs to accomplish security. Distinctive trust methods are utilized to give privacy, uprightness and accessibility in mobile ad-hoc network to pick up the safe environment. Supplying trust in MANET is an extra basic errand due to absence of centralized infrastructure. After all, amid the setting out of MANET nodes that are crisp



keep returning and matured ones go from the cluster/network, there is interest for keeping up the record additionally to give proper affirmation to the arriving node(s) that are new and in addition the present node(s) in the system. In this paper, A review on different sorts of key management schemes with their unique elements is presented. Additionally, a review of MANET interruption discovery frameworks (IDS), which are responsive ways to deal with upset assaults and utilized as a moment line of protection is also proposed. [5] discussed about Reconstruction of Objects with VSN. By this object reconstruction with feature distribution scheme, efficient processing has to be done on the images received from nodes to reconstruct the image and respond to user query. Object matching methods form the foundation of many state- of-the-art algorithms. Therefore, this feature distribution scheme can be directly applied to several state-of- the-art matching methods with little or no adaptation. The future challenge lies in mapping state-of-the-art matching and reconstruction methods to such a distributed framework. The reconstructed scenes can be converted into a video file format to be displayed as a video, when the user submits the query. This work can be brought into real time by implementing the code on the server side/mobile phone and communicate with several nodes to collect images/objects. This work can be tested in real time with user query results.

2.1 FANETS

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) systems, which can fly autonomously without carrying any human personnel, is a consequence of quick development in communication and electronic sensor technologies. Easy deployment, flexibility and low functioning cost



of UAVs have expanded both the civilian and military applications of it; such as border surveillance [1], search and destroy operations [2], relay for ad hoc networks [3,4], managing wildfire, remote sensing [6], traffic monitoring [7] and disaster monitoring [8]. Instead of deploying single UAV, which have been used for decades, using a network of UAVs (FANET) has many advantages such as enables to survey a greater area, raises the scalability and lowers the maintaining effort.

When high-speed UAVs form the network structure of FANET, it becomes different from the existing ad-hoc networks like Mobile Ad-Hoc Network (MANET), Vehicle Ad-Hoc Network (VANET)[9] and Wireless Sensor Network[10] in terms of design and security issues. The higher mobility degrees of FANET nodes result in frequent topological change and unlike other ad-hoc networks the distance between the nodes in FANETs are longer while compared. Hence a fast group forming and key distributing protocol becomes mandatory for FANET while existing mechanisms [11, 12, 13] become ineffective due to the structure and manner of the network.

To cope with the manner of FANET with high speed nodes, a simple yet powerful group key establishment protocol is proposed in this paper. The proposed protocol facilitates group establishment among UAVs of high mobility degree concentrating on their security issues. Classification of wireless ad-hoc networks is done according to their deployment, utilization, communication and purposes. FANET fall under the subgroup of VANET, which again belongs to the subset of MANET. According to this definition, a FANET cannot be formed with single UAV systems, but only with multi-UAV systems. Again, multi-UAV systems cannot be named as FANET until the communication between UAVs



is realized by an ad-hoc network *i.e.* communications between UAVs must not fully rely on infrastructure links.

Flying ad hoc network (FANET) represents a particularly new class of ad hoc networks. FANET is allowed to send information quickly and accurately in a situation, where generic ad hoc networks are not capable to do so. At the time of natural disaster like flooding, earthquakes and even in military battlefield FANET can perform better than other form of mobile ad hoc networks [1]. FANET uses a group of homogeneous flying agents called MAVs (Micro Air Vehicle) communicates with each other locally, and also interacts with their environment to get some sort of information. FANETs do not support central control system [2]. In FANET position of MAVs changes rapidly and because of this, there are frequent changes in topology. High mobility of nodes in FANET is a very big issue, so here we have applied and analyzed OLSR in FANETs. Also try to find a mobility models through which performance of OLSR can be improved for FANET. The use of autonomous vehicles have increased in civil and military applications like observation, search and rescue, surveillance, and reconnaissance, etc. The main reason is the desire to reduce human risk and increase mission efficiency when executing missions [1]. Autonomous vehicles can be terrestrial (Unmanned Ground Vehicles - UGV), aerial (Unmanned Aerial Vehicles - UAV) and others which are generally controlled, managed and monitored in real time by embedded systems, that have severe restrictions about faults once it might cause human deaths and/or losing high value components. Then, these systems are known as critical embedded systems.



Another characteristic of this kind of vehicle is that they are able to function during a long period without the interference of human's operators, and then they can make the navigation basing on a grid or in a way-points sequence[2]. During the operation, these vehicles are subject to threats that might be fixed obstacles (e.g. walls, constructions, vegetation), or mobile (e.g. other vehicles, birds), and then they have to be able to detect them and realize evasive maneuvers. Yang et al [3] states that the major problem of obstacle avoidance can be divided in "sense" or "detection", that is the perception of the obstacle and; "avoidance" that means realize an evasive maneuver in order to avoid the obstacle and reestablish the programmed route before the maneuver. The authors also highlight that this is one of the most challenging problems in autonomous navigation field. Autonomous Vehicles might also form networks and collaborate among them through the exchange of messages.

The communication of these vehicles occurs through vehicular or fly networks. Currently three vehicular network architectures are known: ad hoc pure (VANETs - Vehicular Ad hoc Network), generally used in V2V (Vehicle-to-vehicle) communications; the infrastructure way, used in the communication of the vehicle with a network infrastructure (V2I - Vehicle-to-infrastructure); and the hybrid approach, where the mixture of the architectures ad hoc and infrastructure are used.



VANETs : Vehicular Ad hoc Networks

Vehicular Ad hoc Network has a special subtype known as FANET (Flying ad hoc network) that is an ad hoc network composed by aerial vehicles. The FANETs has special characteristics from when compared with another network. In FANETs the nodes have greater degree of mobility and hence the network topology changes frequently. Another characteristic is that the distance between the nodes is often higher than in VANETs [4]. In the case of infrastructured networks (V2I), static nodes behave as access points for IEEE 802.11 networks and have the advantages of increasing connectivity and creating the possibility of communicating with other networks, such as, the Internet. However, in infrastructured approach there is the disadvantage of high cost in deployment of network equipment to cover the entire route of the road. In some cases it is possible to reduce costs by deploying a third type of architecture known as hybrid. This last one uses ad hoc communication type associated with a minimal infrastructure to increase network connectivity in service provision. The choice of these model's architecture has to take into account several factors such as the density of vehicles on the road, obstacles in the path and the applications for which the VANET is proposed. There are three main applications of vehicular networks: traffic safety, entertainment and driver assistance. The increase of traffic safety is a major motivation for the use of vehicular networks, because it generally aims to reduce accidents by exchanging information among vehicles and gathering information about the conditions of the road by sensors.



A. Network Architecture

The architecture of FANET can be organized in hierarchical and distributed structures as shown in Fig. 1. In hierarchical networks as shown in Fig. 1(a), there is a chain of command among the UAVs: base stations, group heads and member UAVs. A base station is typically a powerful storage / data processing center, gateway to another network, or works as a human interface. Base stations collect information from UAVs, carry out expensive operations and organize the network. Base stations are considered to be trusted and tamper resistant and register UAVs prior to deployment. Group heads are deployed around the surveillance area each of which can act as a member under another group leader. This structure allows UAVs to monitor a larger area beyond the transmission range of the base station. Each leader maintains a group comprising several member UAVs. Together with members a group leader monitors a pre-assigned area and transmits data to the base station. Data collected by the member UAVs are transmitted through group leaders. Data flow in such networks can be:

- (i) pair-wise (unicast) among member UAVs,
- (ii) group-wise (multicast) within a group of UAVs, and (iii) network-wise (broadcast) from base stations to all UAVs.

Distributed architecture of FANET is illustrated in Fig. 1(b) where, there is no fixed infrastructure and network topology is unknown before deployment. UAVs spread randomly all over the surveillance area. Once deployed, each UAV scans its coverage area to find out its neighbors. Data flow in such network is similar to the data



flow in hierarchical network with a difference that network-wise (broadcast) can be sent by every UAVs.

B. Distinguishing characteristics of FANET

In this subsection, the differences between FANET and the existing wireless ad-hoc networks are explained which make it necessary to propose a different group key management protocol.

Node mobility: The most notable dissimilarity between FANET and the other ad-hoc networks is node mobility. Unlike VANET and MANET, the node's mobility degree can be much higher in FANET. UAVs may have a speed of 30–460 km/h [14] which results in several challenging problems in communication design [15].

Mobility model: MANET nodes, moving on a certain terrain, generally apply the random waypoint mobility model where the speed and the direction of the nodes are selected arbitrarily. In VANET nodes mobility models are highly predictable as their moves are restricted on roads and highways. For FANET, though the preference of global path plans in some multi-UAV applications forces UAVs to move on a predefined path with a regular mobility model, flight plans are not planned in autonomous multi-UAV systems. Moreover, updates in operation or environmental changes always affect the flight plans. In addition, different UAV formations and the sharp and fast movements of UAVs directly influence the mobility model of FANET.



Node density: The average number of nodes in a unit area is defined as node density which is considerably low in FANET. FANET nodes are normally scattered in the sky with a distance of several kilometers even for a small multi-UAV system.

Topology change: Unlike MANET and VANET, FANET topology changes more frequently due to the higher mobility degree. Moreover, FANET topology is also affected by UAV platform failures. Failure of UAVs, also fails the links in which they were involved resulting in a topological update. Link outage is another factor that influences the FANET topology which is caused by frequent change of link quality with UAV movements and variations of node distances.

Conclusion FANETs, VANETs and MANETs are closely related areas with some of the fundamental differences. Lot of research is going in this domain.

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