

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF AODV ROUTING PROTOCOL VS. NODES IN MANET

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Abstract: Mobile Ad-hoc network system (MANET) is a self-ruling, self-organising, self-configured, peer-to-peer positioning of multitalented hubs/nodes analogous by faraway tie-ups. Each and every node/hub acts as termination sub-structure and switch too, to broadcast data packets. The mobility and flexibility of hubs/nodes are authorized to move and organise themselves dynamically to form a network/system. The topology of MANET is change time to time as per need. This feature causes the network unguarded to differing class of attacks. Thus, finding acceptable solutions for prevention of routing protocols is daring job for researcher. Routing protocols plays a remarkable job for magnifying Quality of Service (QoS) in MANET. Countless protocols are proposed by many researchers for this kind of network. Ad-hoc On Demand Distance Vector (AODV) routing protocol being one among them. Routing overhead is minimum in AODV as compared to other protocol, that's why it is always on top choice of user for providing efficient routing in MANET. In this paper, we analysed the performance of AODV based on some performance metrics, which are average end-to-end (E2E) delay, router drop, packet delivery ratio (PDR) etc. The simulation is done via NS2.

Keywords: Initial node, Goal node, Ad-hoc On Demand Distance Vector (AODV), DSN, RREQ, RREP/RRES, Mobile Ad-hoc Network (MANET), NS-2(Network Simulation Tool version 2), Routing Protocol.

INTRODUCTION

Wireless medium is playing a vital role to provide communication to real world by allowing user to take information and service electronically or digitally, spite their topographical site. Wireless connection/communication provide by two types: Infrastructure based (contains Access point) and Infrastructure less (without access point). MANET is infrastructure less network. [1] Wireless network are widely becoming popular and has enabled communication between mobile devices using standard network routing protocols. [2]

I. Mobile Ad-hoc network:-

Mobile Ad-hoc network does not require any licensed frequency band to act and it is free from any investment in infrastructure as it can able to form structure dynamically. These properties play a vital role to make them attractive for selected commercial applications. [3] The applications area of MANET is disaster consolation, hospitality, emergency actions, military purpose, vehicle networks, sensors, IoT, conferences, etc. But, the nodes of MANET have to suffer with resources such as storage, energy and power. Due to mobility, absence of centralized monitoring, limited power supply, scalability, protection less channels, it becomes difficult to provide security (including secure routing) in MANET. [4][5] Secure routing, service location issues and security; all the three are required to provide efficient employment of MANET. [6][7] Secure routing can be achieved by applying secure routing protocol i.e. AODV routing protocol.

II. Routing protocols:-

A routing protocol used to make a tie-up between to nodes and interchange data packets in MANET including proper and secure route organisation, concludes the final step to forward the data, decide or create rules for maintenance of route and healing from routing failure. [8] The main concept behind classification of routing protocol is determination of route i.e. when and how route is found, mainly it has three types; such as:-

II.A Proactive/Link-state Routing Protocols: - The link-state routing algorithm is used by the proactive routing protocol to found the path or make connection between nodes. In link-state algorithm, link information of adjacent node spread speedily over the network. This protocol amassed the path and preserves them too; the paths remain up to date with the help of control packet (RREQ, RREP and HELLO) from their adjacent nodes. The protocols which follow the whole scenario and lies under proactive/link-state routing protocols are DSDV, OLSR, TRRRP and WRP etc. [9] [11].

II.B Reactive/Distance-vector Routing Protocols: - In this protocol, the overhead is diminished. Distance-vector routing approach is used to make connection between nodes that's why it is called Distance-vector routing protocol, But only when the

node requesting for doing so. The protocols which falls in reactive routing protocol are [10] DSR, AODV, TORA and LMR etc. [11]

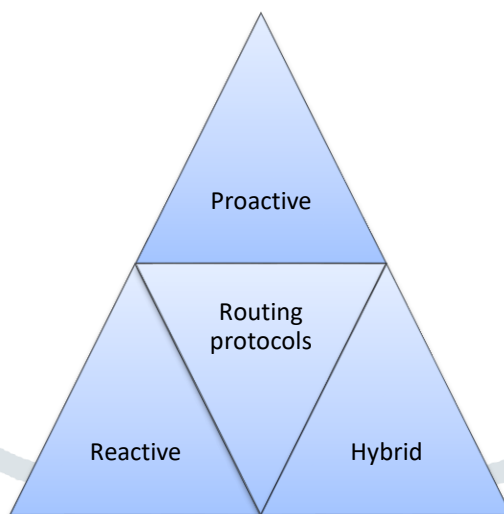


Fig-1 Types of Routing protocols

Table-1 Classification of routing protocols

| Routing Protocol | Classification | Example | |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Routing Protocol | Position Based | ALARM, DREAM, LEKR, DRM | |
| | Topology Based | Proactive | DSDV, OLSR, CGSR, WRP, TRRPF |
| | | Reactive | AODV, TORA, LMR, DSR, LQSR |
| | | Hybrid | ZRP, BGP, EIGRP |

II.C Hybrid Routing Protocols: - This kind of protocols are said to be proactive routing protocol as well as reactive routing protocol. That is... Hybrid routing protocol is the addition of link-state and distance-vector routing protocols. These are some protocols that come under the Hybrid routing protocol ZRP, BGP, EIGRP etc. [11] Table 2 show the how these three protocols (discussed above) are different to each other. [11]

Table-2 Difference between all kinds of routing protocols

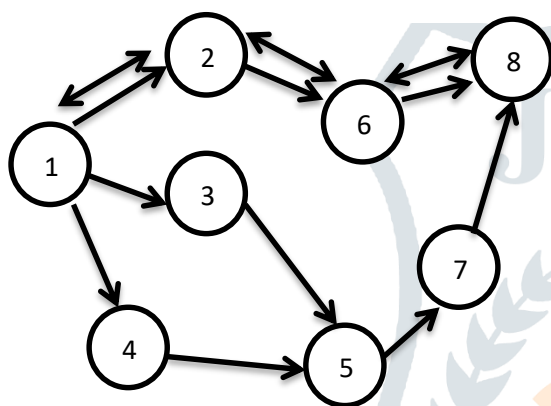
| FEATURES | PROACTIVE | REACTIVE | HYBRID |
|-------------------|---|---|--|
| Latency | Low due to routing table | High due to flooding | Inside low outside high |
| Scalability | Low | Not acceptable for sizable (big) networks | For sizable networks |
| Mobility | Periodic updates | Route maintenance | Combination of both |
| Need of power | High | Low | Medium |
| Need of storage | High | Low | Medium |
| Need of bandwidth | High | Low | Medium |
| Updation | Yes, when topology changes | Not needed | Yes |
| Routing intrusion | Always accessible | Available when needed | Fusion of both |
| Routing overhead | High | Low | Medium |
| Route acquisition | Table | On demand | Combination of both |
| Routing structure | Both | Mostly flat | Hierarchal |
| Control traffic | High | Low | Lower than other two |
| Benefit | Rapid establishment of route and routing information is updated rapidly | Obtain required route when needed, not exchange routing table periodically & loop free. | Limited search Cost, update routing information & scalable |
| Limitations | Convergence count is low, more amount of resource | Routes are not fresh, more end-to-end delay, packet | Needed extra resources for Big sized zones |

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|----------------|--|----------------------------|------|
| | used, flooding of routing information in whole network | dropping is in high amount | |
| Routing scheme | Table-driven | On-demand | both |

III. AODV: - AODV is an on-demand routing protocol. As the name indicate, it tie-up to find route when demand by someone/initial node. Sequence numbers is used by AODV to take guarantee of genuinity of path and to obtained fresh path. [12] AODV is qualified to provide single hop and multi hop routing. Established route/path is conserve until the communication finished by the nodes (initial node, intermedial nodes, goal node). Main blessings of AODV are provide loop free communication and scalable for large number of nodes. [2]

III.A. Route discovery

AODV broadcast RREQ to all its intermedial nodes, which hold addresses of initial node and goal node, their SN (SSN and DSN), broadcast ID and a counter. When source/initial nodes transmit a RREQ to its intermedial nodes it receive RREP/RRES either from its adjacent node or that adjacent node(s) retransmit RREQ to their adjacent node after making an addition in hop counter. If initial node inherits numerous RREQ from identical transmit ID, then that RREQ dropped to maintain a loop free tie-up [15]



Representation table

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Node 1 | Source node |
| Node 8 | Destination node |
| Nodes 2,3,4,5,6,7 | Intermedial nodes |
| → | RREQ |
| ← | RREP |

Fig-2 Broadcasting RREQ

III.B. Route Table Management

We have to maintain/manage Routing in AODV, for this whenever a connection established; first, unwanted entries (that do not exist) from table has to be removed. It is done via DSN (Destination Sequence Number) [15]

III.C. AODV Route Maintenance

When network finds that a stored path is not workable anymore for communication then that path is deleted. And broadcast RREP/RRES to current active adjacent nodes and ask them to do the same. Only loop free path is maintained by AODV [15]

III.D. Routing Table Fields

- Goal IP address
- DSN
- Genuine DSN Flag
- State and routing flags
- Network Interface
- Hop Count (needed to reach destination)
- Adjacent Hop
- Forerunner record
- Lifespan (route expiration or deletion time)[13][14]

III.E. Control packet

- RREQ – Route request
- RREP – Route reply
- RERR – Route error
- HELLO – For link status monitoring[13][14]

SIMULATIONS AND RESULTS ANALYSIS

In this segment, we explore configuration of tool which used in this project, after that performance evaluation metrics, and last simulation results with analysis.

A. Experimental Configuration

We used NS-2.35 network simulator tool to examine the AODV routing protocol on the basis of nodes. This simulator is for discrete event invented at UC Berkeley. Over wired and wireless network; simulation of TCP, analysing of network, routing and multicast protocols etc is done by NS2 tool. These are the languages which is used to write code in NS2; C, C++, extension of TCL for OOPS, OTCL. [17] NS2 consist two simulation tools NS and NAM. Network simulator (NS) hold all frequently used IP protocols and network animator (NAM) for visualisation.

Table-3 Simulation setup

| Parameter | Value |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Channel type | Wireless channel |
| Radio propagation model | TwoRayGround |
| Network interface type | Wirelessphy |
| MAC type | MAC 802.11 |
| Interface queue type | Queue/DropTail/PriQueue |
| Link layer type | LL |
| Antenna model | OmniAntenna |
| Max packet in ifq | 50 |
| Number of mobile nodes | 7/17/27/47/57/77 |
| Routing protocol | AODV |
| Simulation time | 150.00s |
| X & Y dimensions | 1800*840 sq.m |
| Simulation end | 150.01s |
| Traffic type | TCP/UDP/CBR |
| Size | 1024/512/1500 |
| Rate | 1.0Mb/2.0Mb/4.0Mb |

B. Performance evolution Matrices

The following performance metrics are taken to examine AODV routing protocol vs. nodes i.e. we increase number of nodes (7, 17, 27, 47, 57, 77) while using above parameters (table-3) to analysis of AODV.

1. End-to-end delay: - Total time taken by data packets to hit receiver/destination from sender/source including delay (buffering time, transmission time, re-transmission time, waiting time, propagation time).

$$\text{Delay} = \text{End time} - \text{Start time}$$

2. Packet delivery ratio (PDR): - Total amount of data packets that received by goal/destination wealthy. It is the ratio between received packets to the generated packets.

$$\text{PDR} = (\text{Received packets}/\text{Generated packets}) * 100$$

3. Payload: - It is the amount of packets send by the protocol.

4. Router drop/Packet loss: - It explained as, the amount of packets that didn't receive by destination/goal wealthy. The main reason behind data drop is collision, hardware tempering, malicious behaviour and queue overflow etc.

5. Throughput: - Total amount of data transferred per unit time, i.e. transferred from node to node through a communication tie-up.

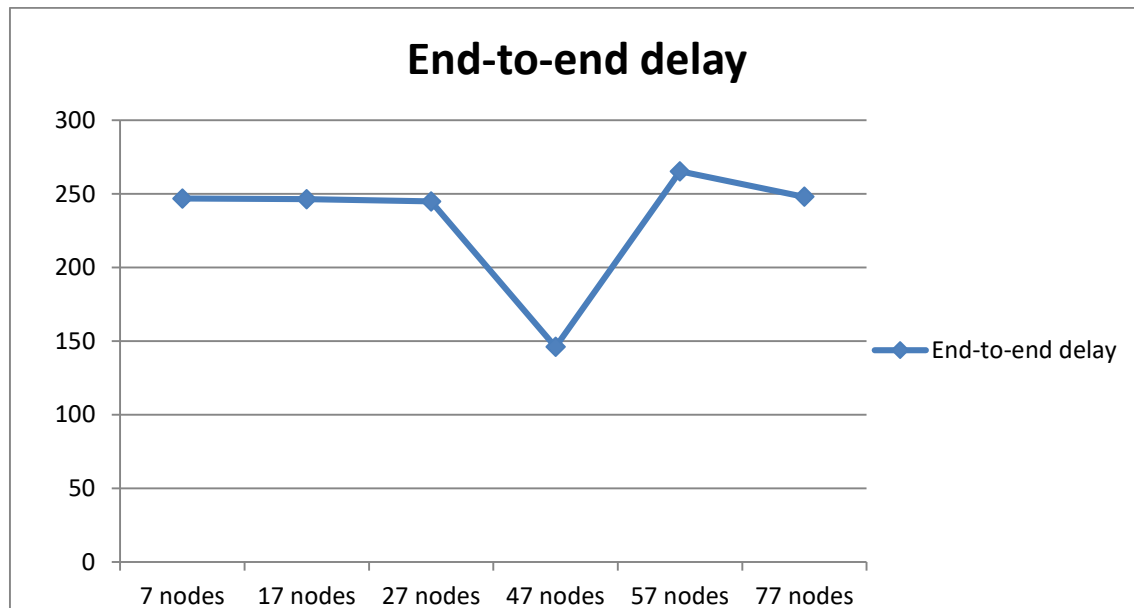
$$\text{Throughput} = (\text{Received data} * 8) / \text{data dissemination interval}$$

6. Control packet: - It is the packet which contains the control information.

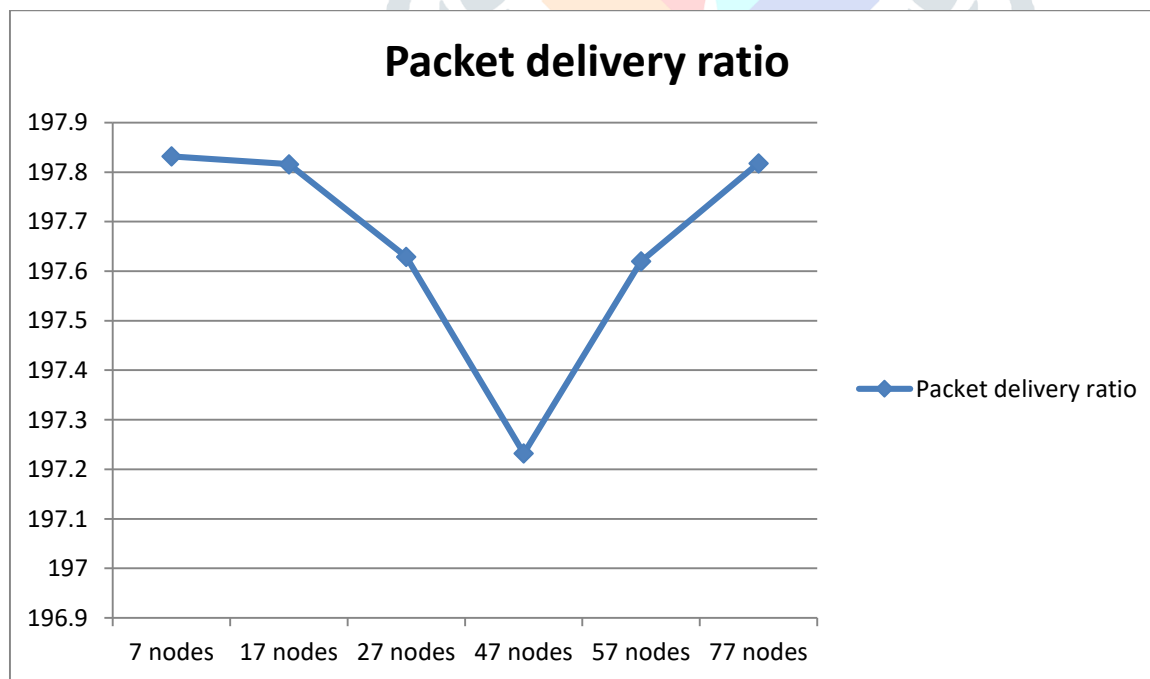
7. Generated&Received packets: - It is the total amount of generated and received data packets during whole simulation.

C. Results (Including snaps)

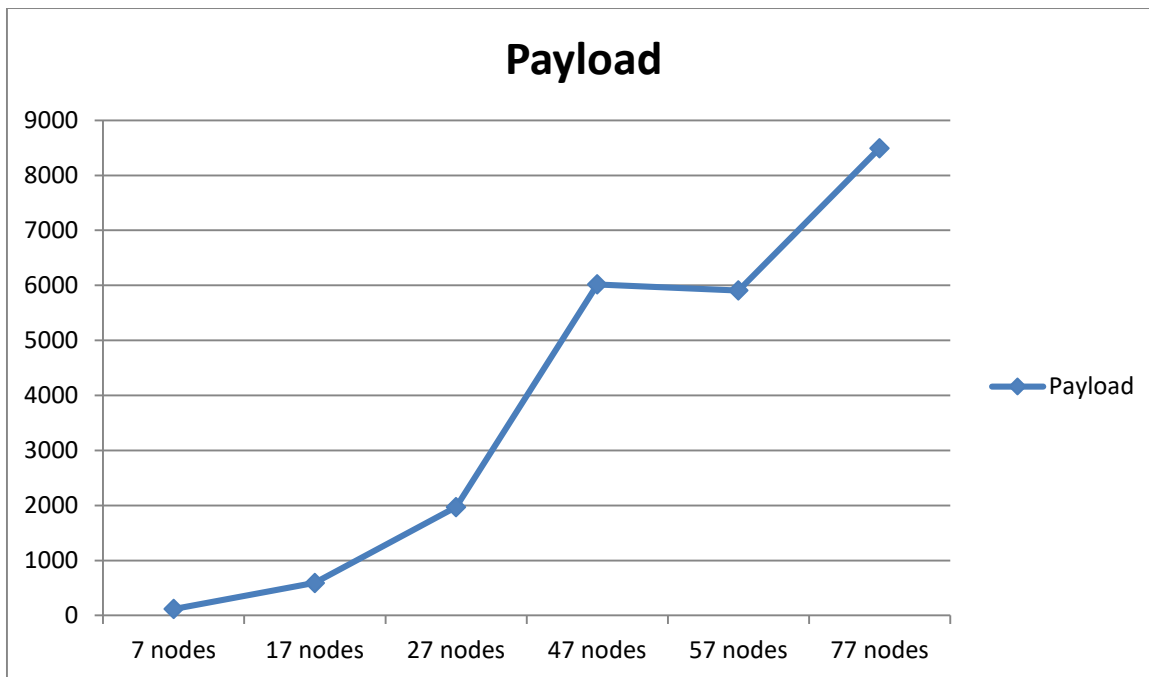
1. End-to-end delay: - to achieve better performance E2E delay should be low. In our project, when we increase number of nodes then end-to-end delay reduces but not constantly, as we can see when numbers of nodes are 57 then graph line increases and then again start to decrease. So we can conclude when we widen the number of nodes in network then end-to-end delay decreases and performances increases.



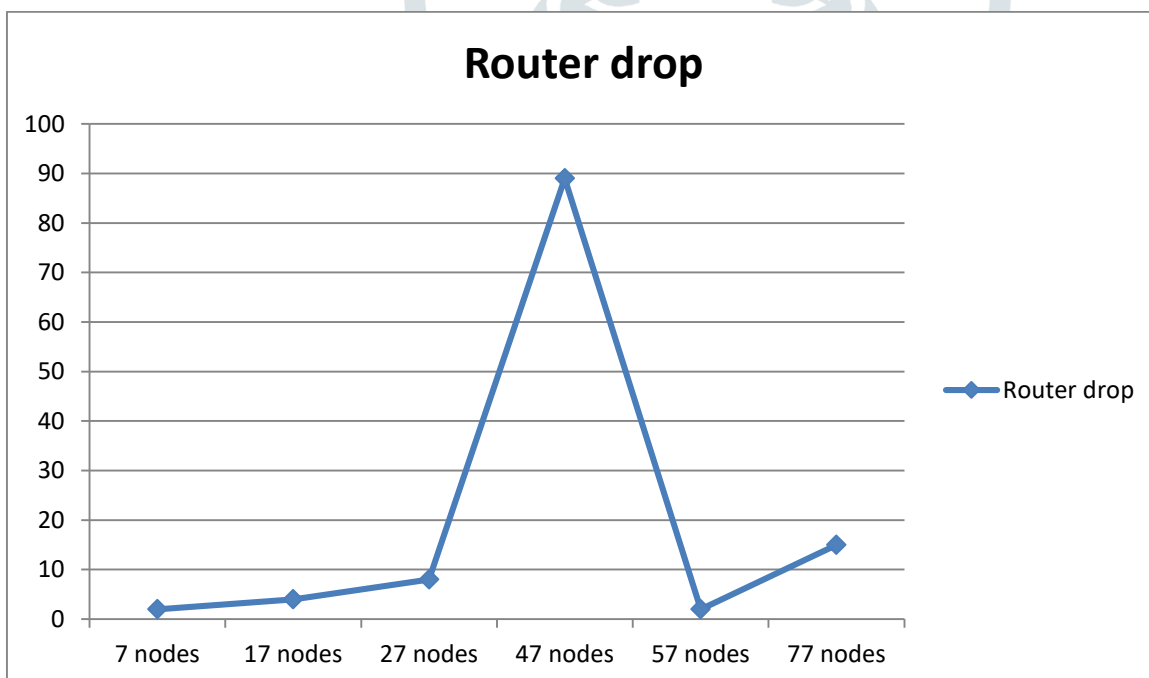
2. Packet delivery ratio: - It should be high. In our project as we can see, when the number of nodes increases then PDR's graph line decreases but again start to increase. So we can conclude that, when we increase the number of nodes then PDR become low but when we use a huge amount of nodes in small area then PDR rate increases.



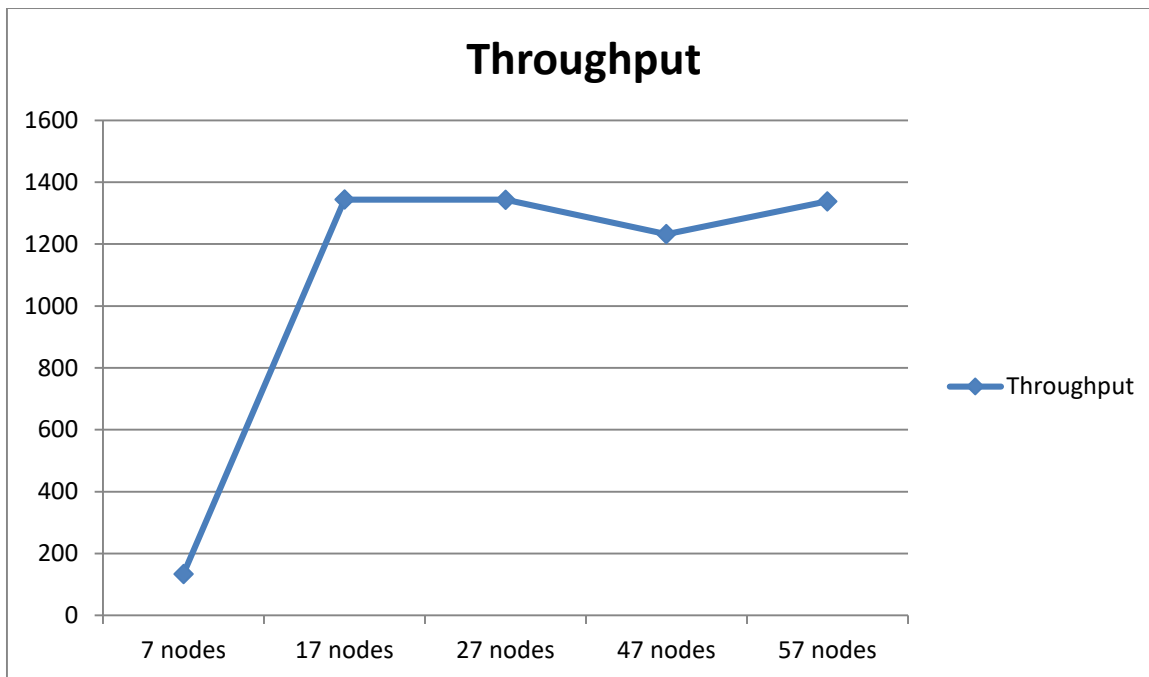
3. Payload: - It should be high excluding fake packets. In our project payload is increases when number of nodes increases. So we can conclude, when number of nodes increases then payload of network also increases.(mostly)



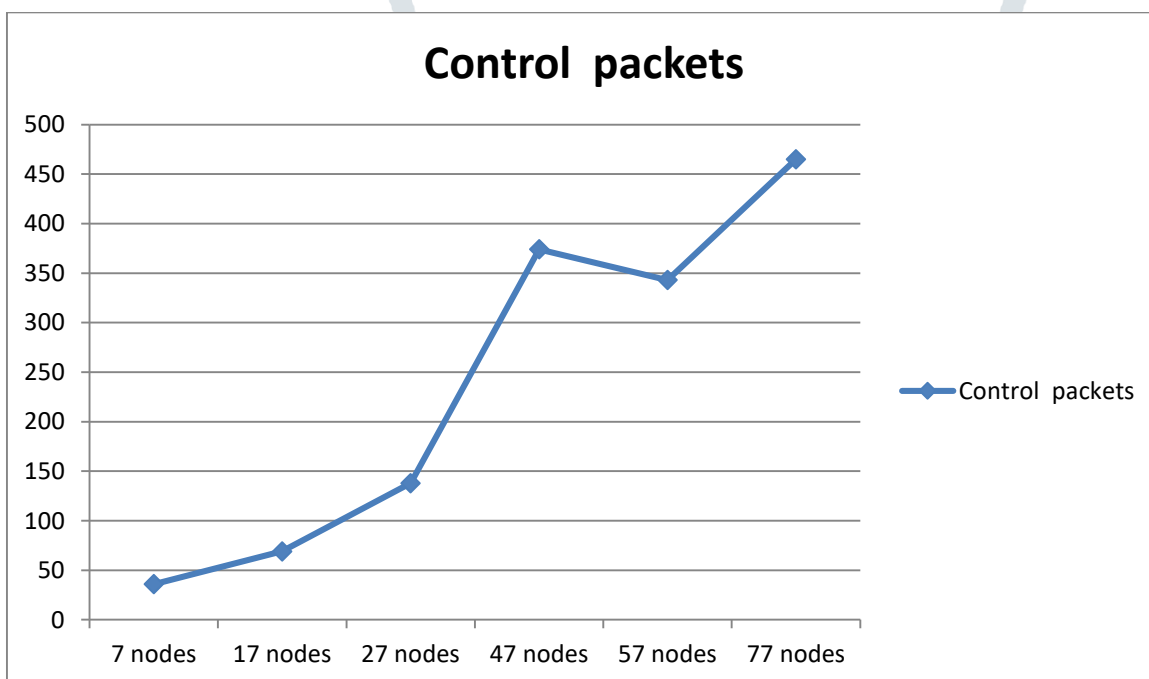
4. Router drop/Packet loss: - It should be low. In our project when we increases nodes then router drop also be increases so we can conclude that when number of nodes widen/increases in network then router drop/packet loss also grow.(but sometime it can be decreases as mobile nature of nodes)



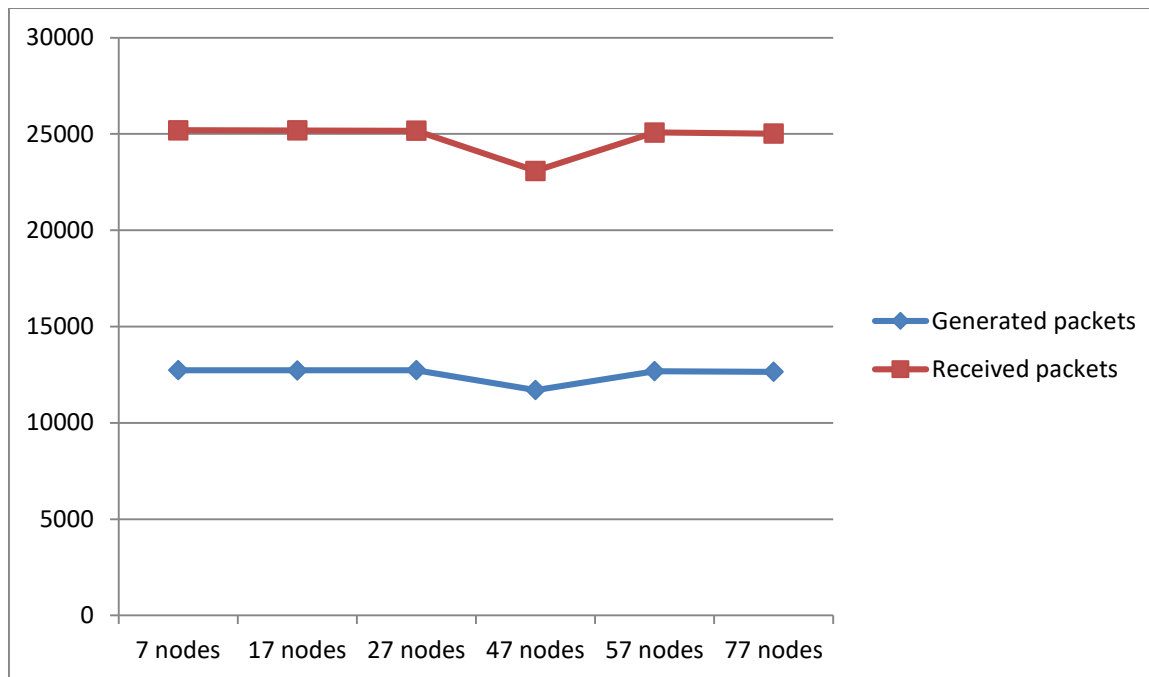
5. Throughput: - It should be high. In our project it is shown that when number of nodes widen then the throughput is also increases. (But sometimes it can also decrease).



6. Control packet: - When the number of nodes increases/expand then control packets also increases (most of the time).



7. Generated&Received packets: - When number of nodes grows then the amount of generated&received packets also grows.



CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have started with wireless network then discussed Ad-hoc network including its blessings, application and limitations. After that, we explain routing protocols, its classifications and differentiate them on the basis of some parameters. Then we elaborated AODV protocol including route discovery process, route table management, route maintenance, routing table fields and control packets. At last simulation of AODV protocol vs. nodes (7, 17, 27, 47, 57, 77) is done and results concluded on the basis of some performance matrices (End-to-end delay, payload, router drop, throughput, packet delivery ratio (PDR), control packets and generated&received packets) using NS2 simulator tool.

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