

Protocol Design, Testing, and Diagnosis towards Dependable Wireless Sensor Networks

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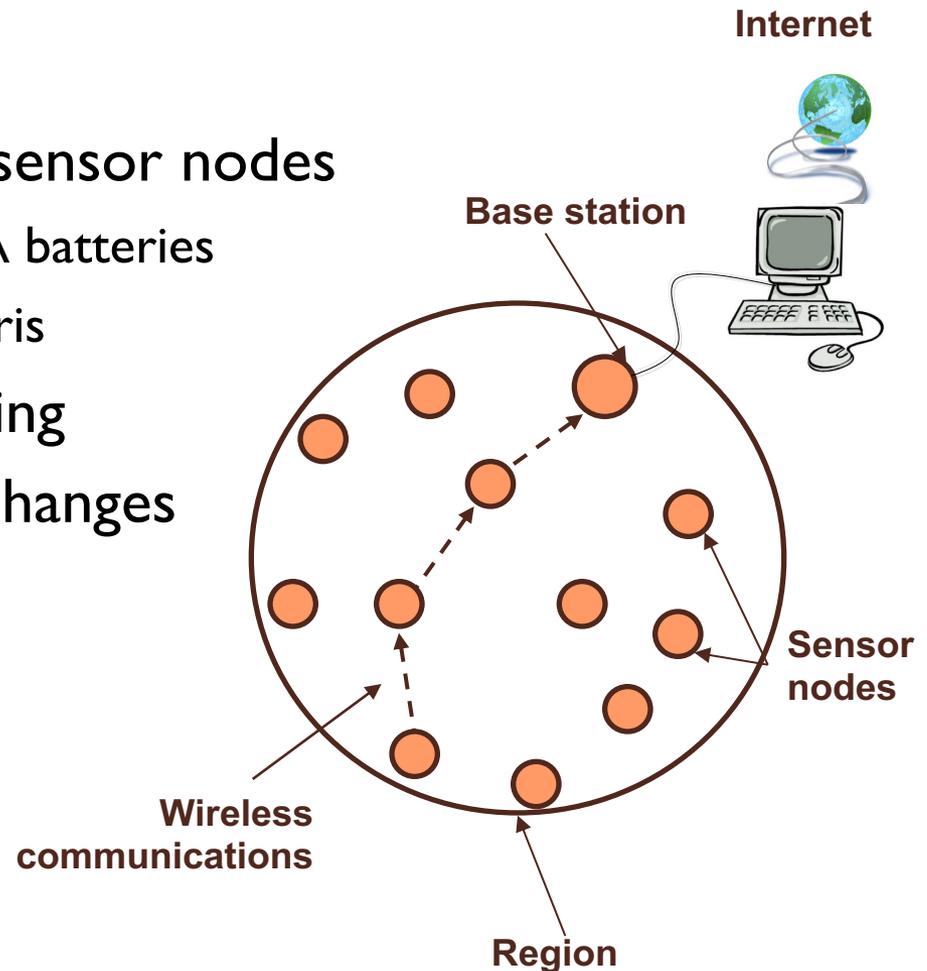
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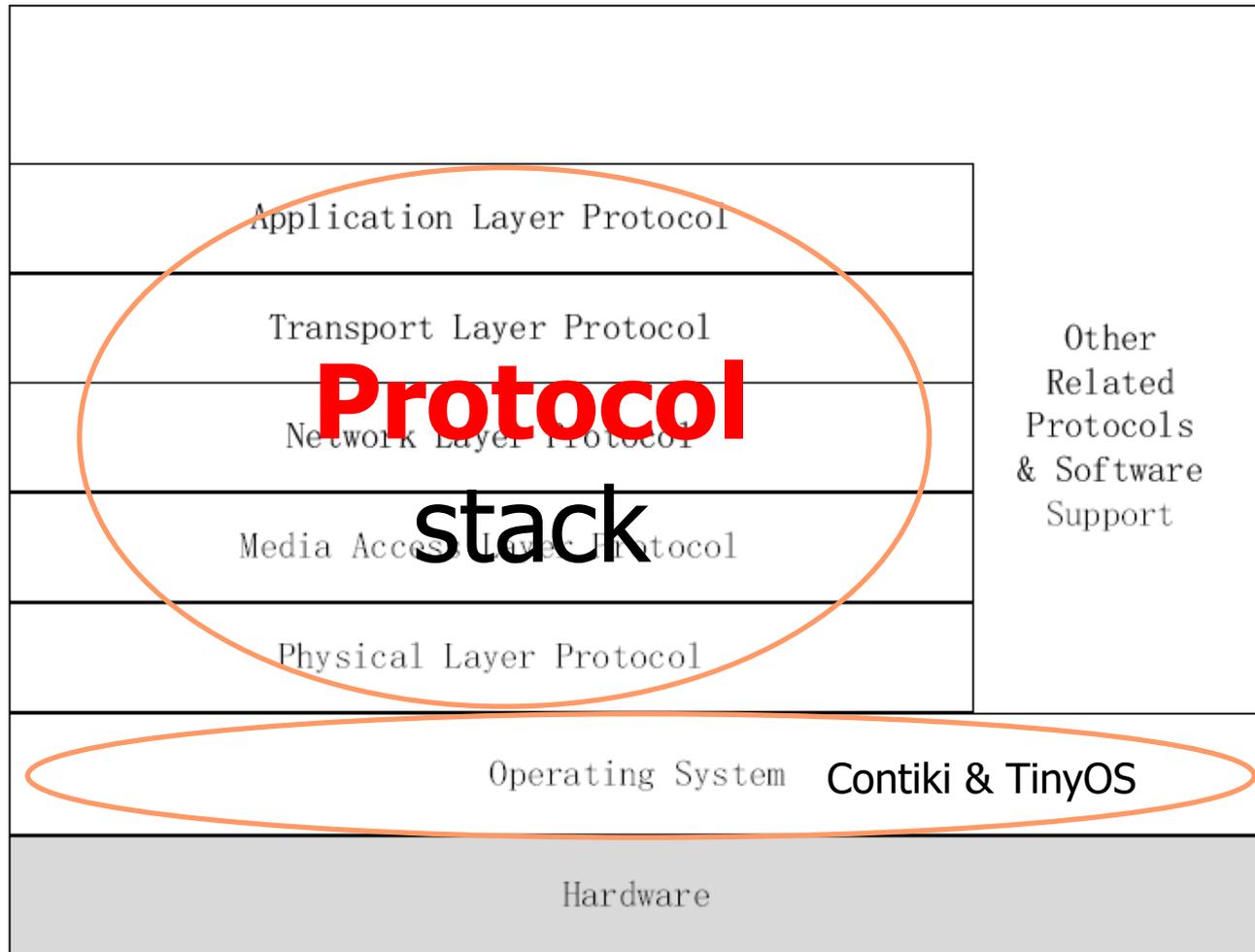
- Introduction to wireless sensor networks
- Part 1: An Efficient MAC Protocol Design
- Part 2: Reliable Protocol Conformance Testing
- Part 3: Mobility-assisted Diagnosis
- Conclusions

Introduction: Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs)

- Application-oriented
 - Surveillance
 - Target tracking
- Resource-constrained sensor nodes
 - E.g. Energy unit: two AA batteries
 - E.g. RAM: 8k bytes for Iris
- Capable of self-organizing
- Subjected to dynamic changes

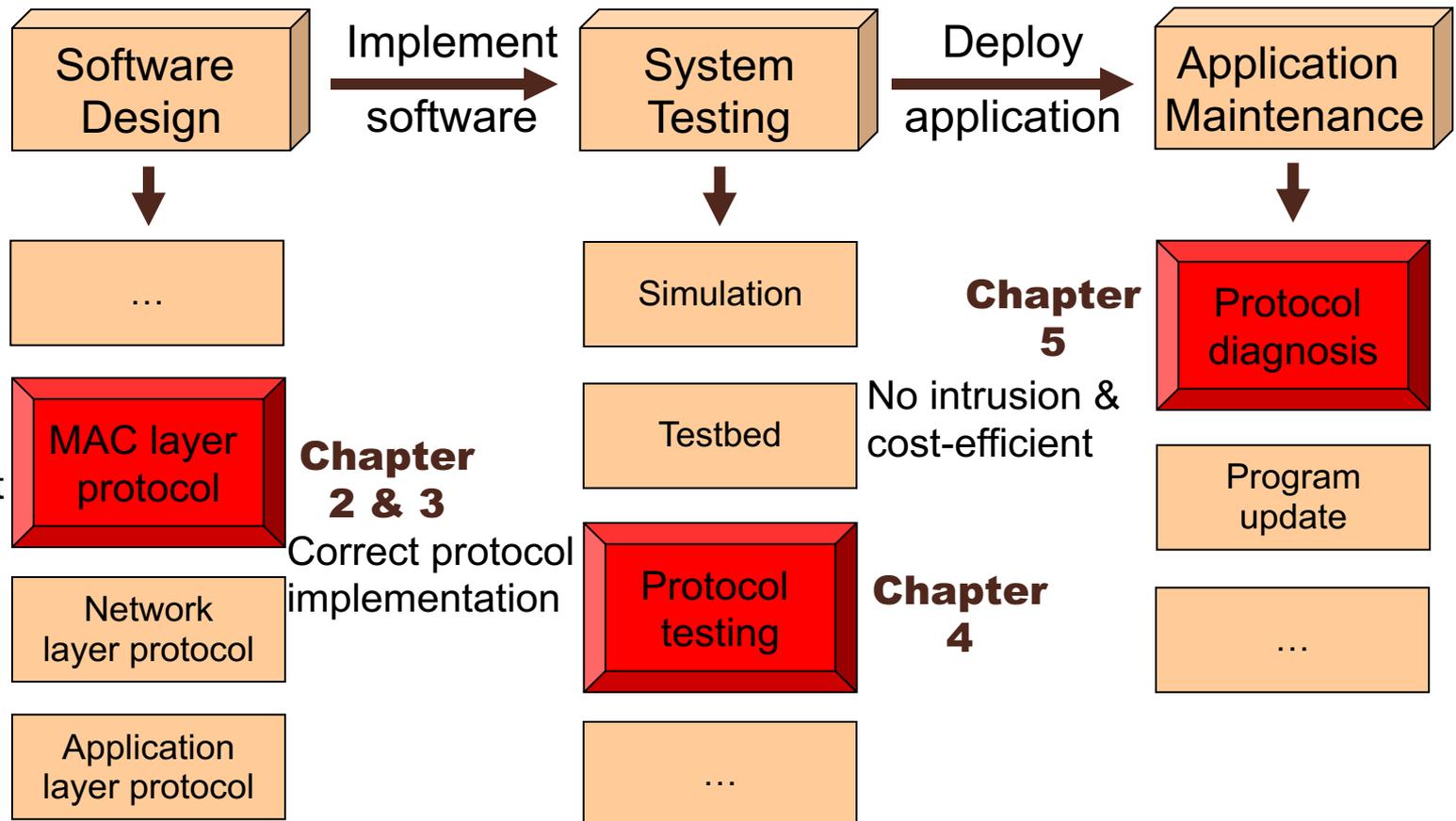


Reference Architecture of A Sensor Node



Introduction: Thesis Scope

Towards successful WSN applications: the development, deployment, and maintenance



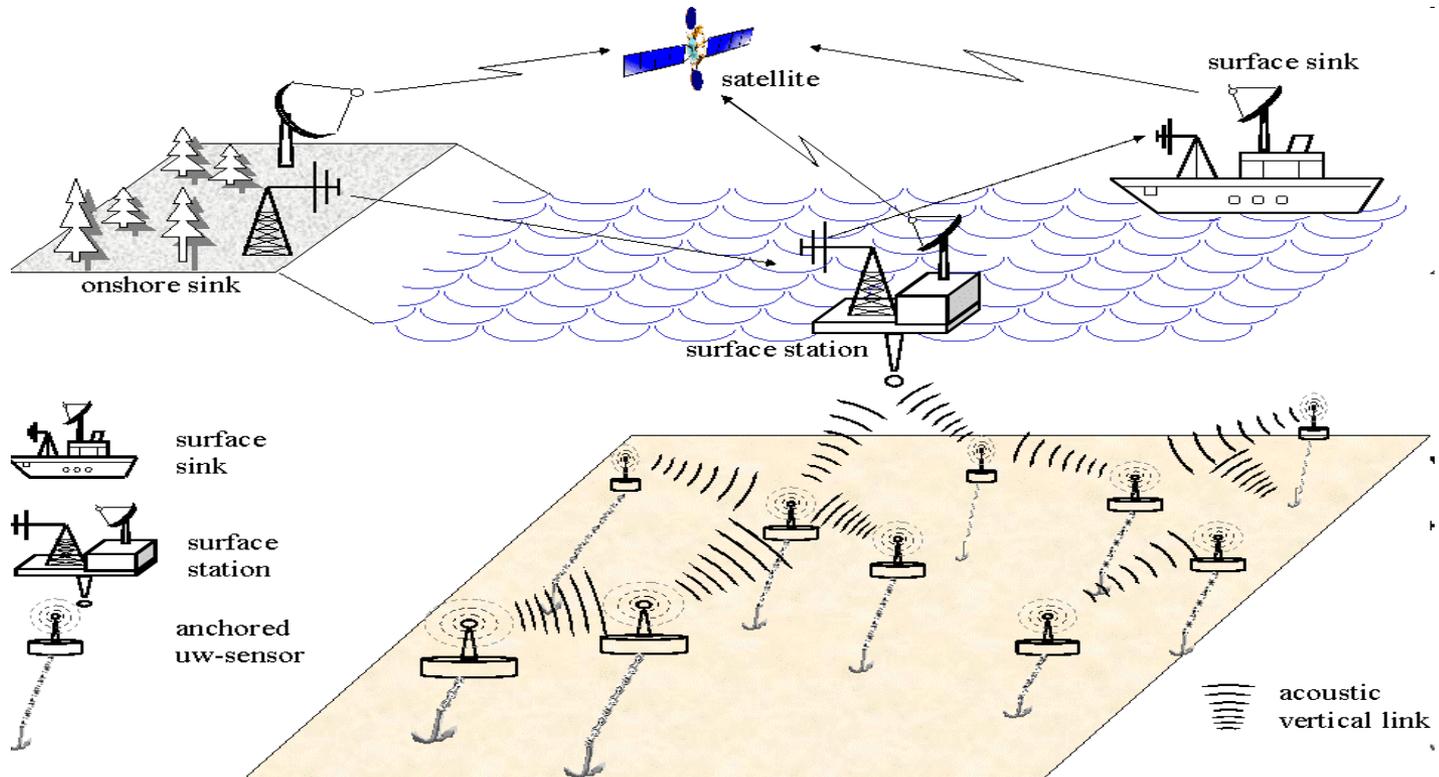
Part I:
An Efficient MAC Protocol Design

Background

- Underwater acoustic sensor networks (UWASNs)
 - WSNs deployed in the water
 - Wireless medium: sound
- Difference from terrestrial wireless sensor networks (TWSNs)
 - Longer latency
 - Higher cost
 - Sparser deployment

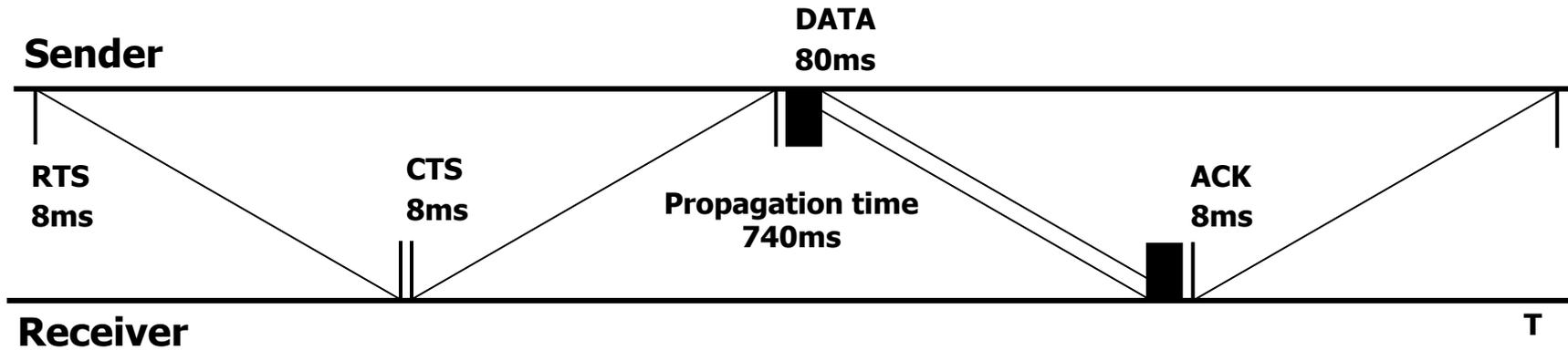
Background

- An ocean bottom surveillance example of UWASNs

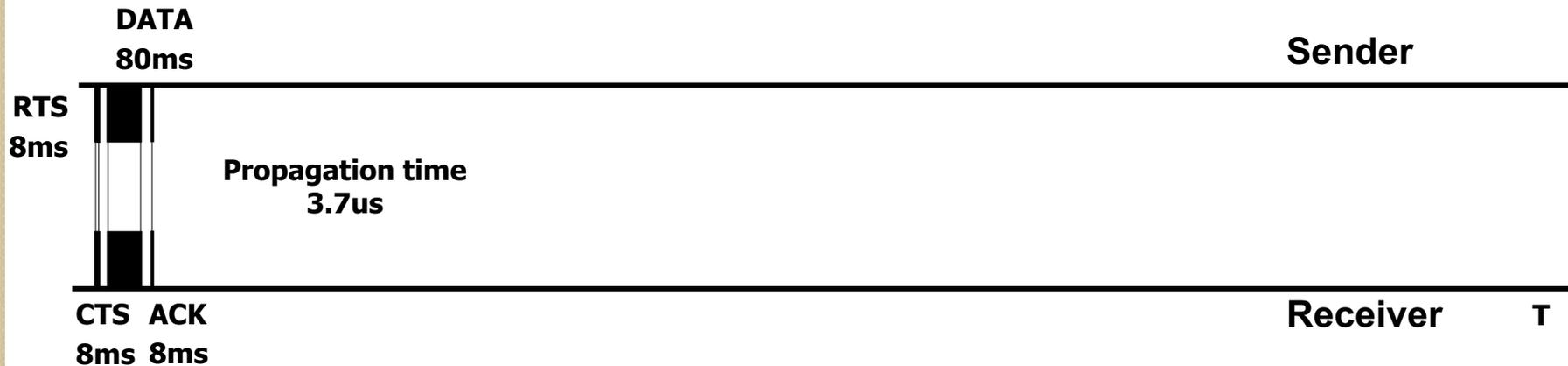


Motivations

- UWASNs VS TWSNs



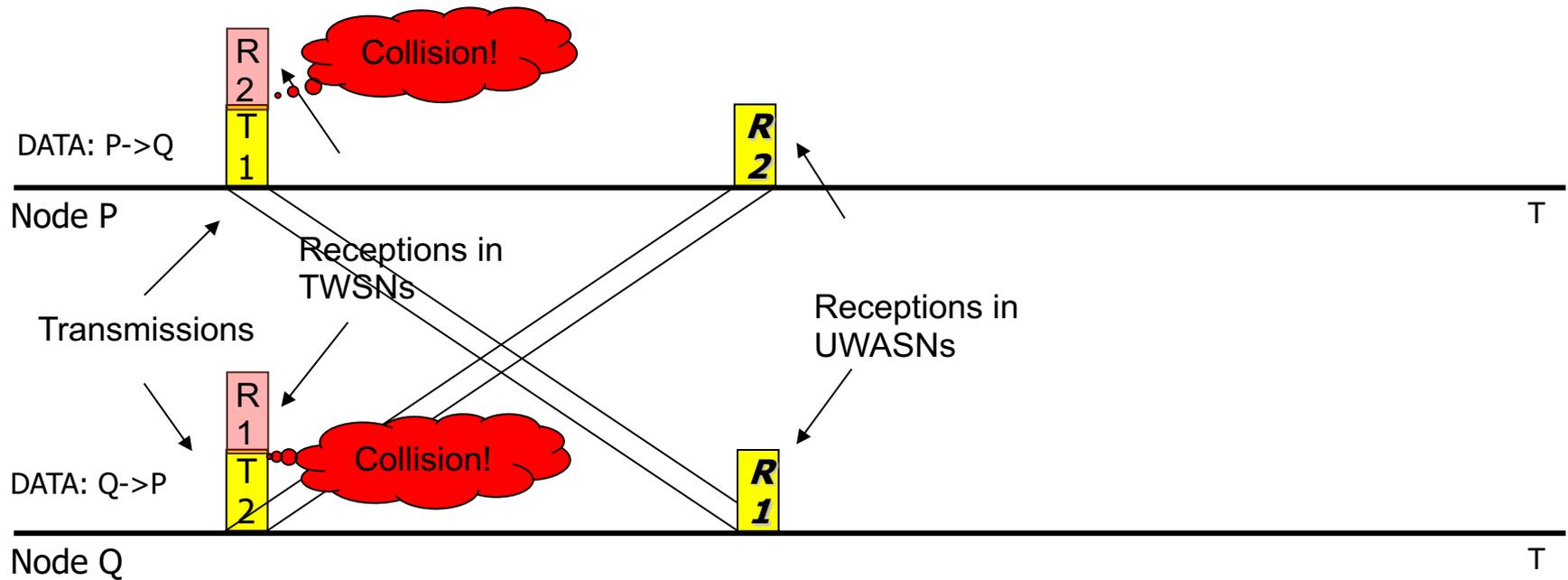
A DATA transmission in UWASNs with CSMA/CA



A DATA transmission in TWSNs with CSMA/CA

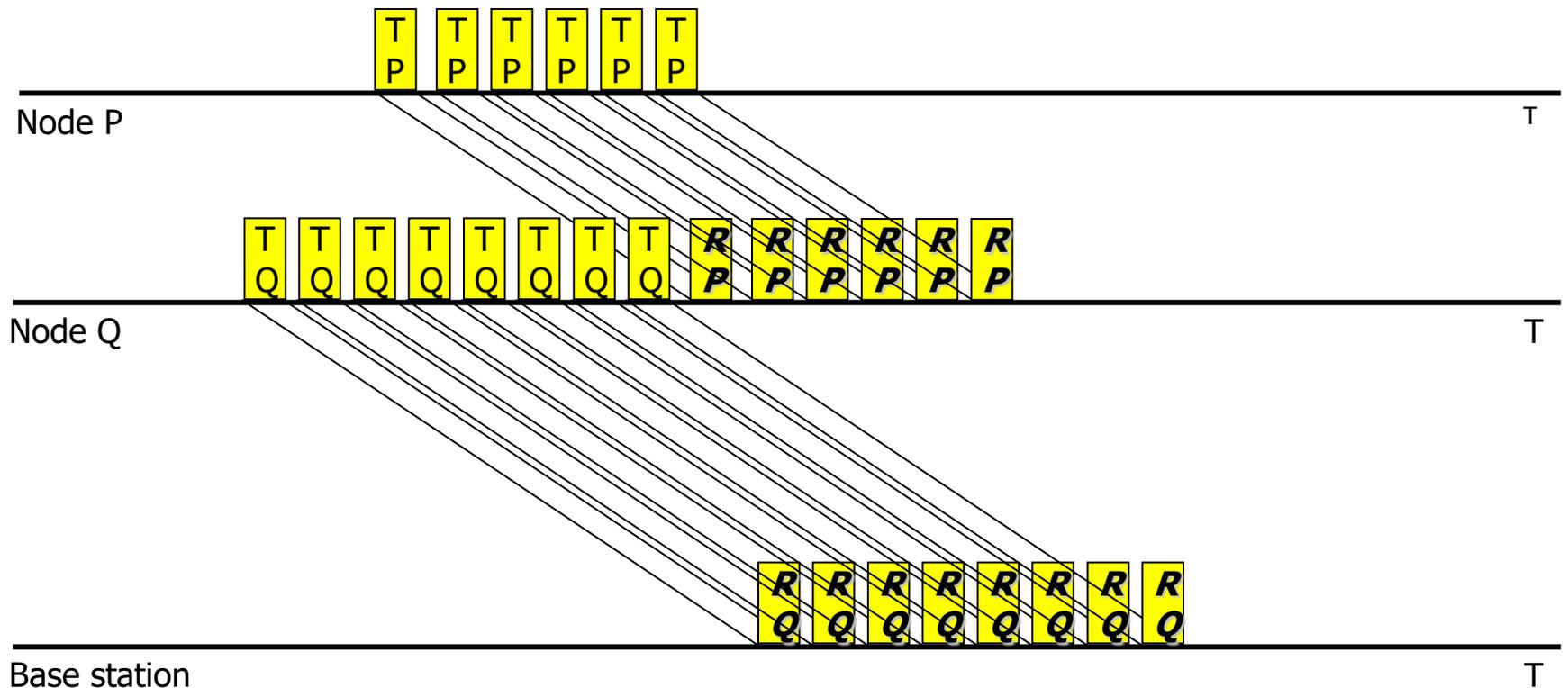
Motivations

- Simultaneous data transmissions: collision or not?



Motivations

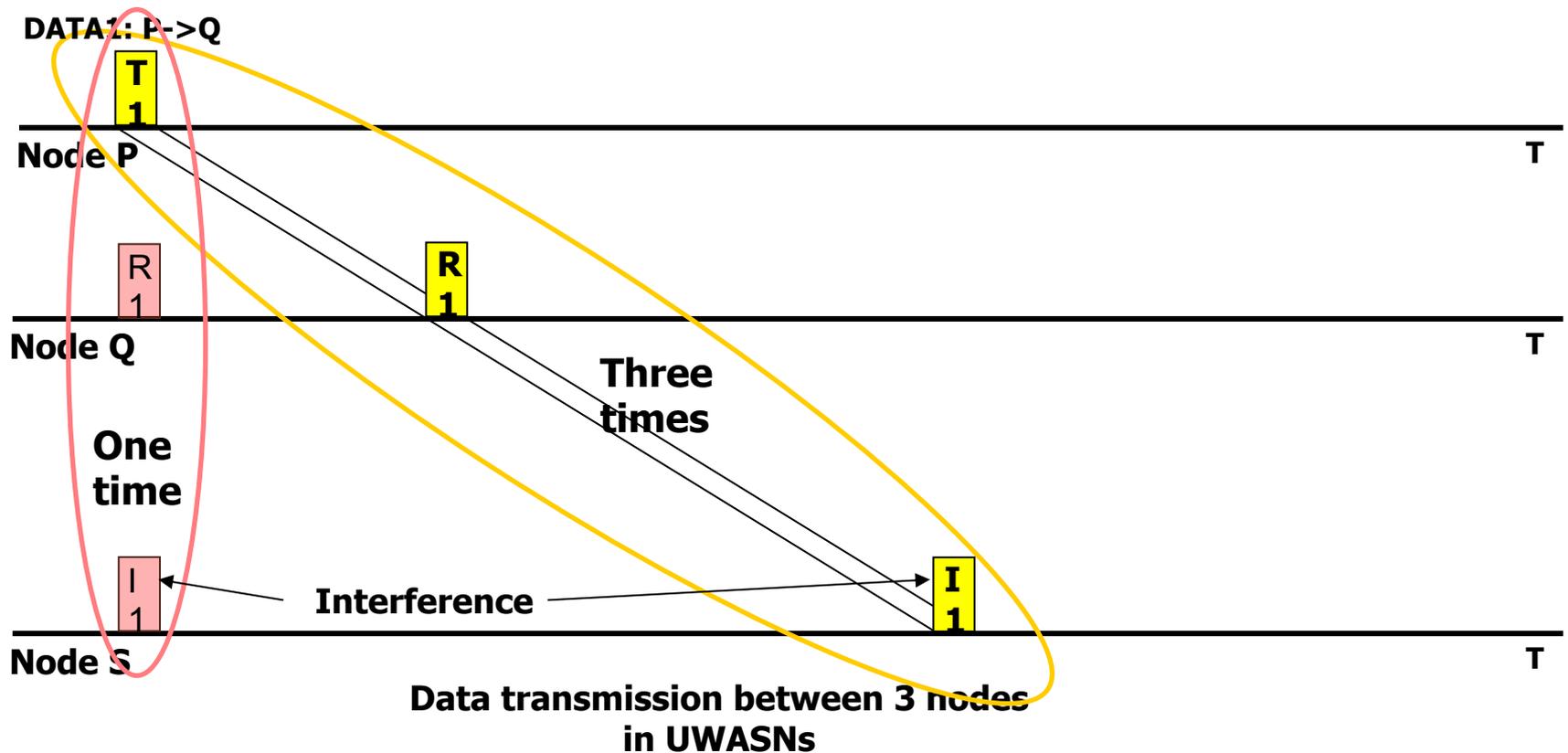
- Use parallel transmissions
- Throughput and delay performance **improvement** with a **compact schedule**



Data transmission between 3 nodes

Scheduling Element

- The scheduling element & scheduling problem in UWASNs is very **different** from that in TWSNs

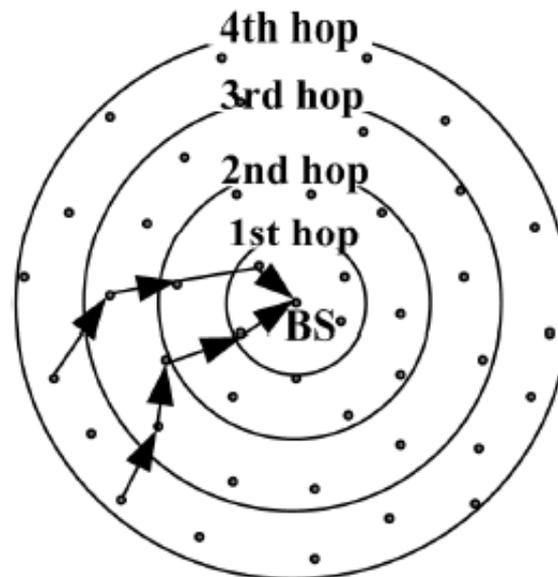


A Routing and Application based Scheduling Protocol (RAS)

- RAS components towards **compact** schedule
 - **TDMA based** MAC mechanism
 - **Utilize** static routing & application data direction **information**
 - Centralized schedule calculation
 - Calculate the traffic of each node
 - **Schedule** the traffic **receptions** and transmissions

Congestion Avoidance Algorithm of RAS

- Towards **better queue utilization** and **fairness** with **priority** scheduling -> **higher** priority to nodes with **heavier** traffic
 - Step1: Schedule the BS's data receptions from 1 hop nodes
 - Step2: Schedule the data receptions tier by tier: from inner tier to outer tier
 - Step3: For data receptions from the same tier, arrange them alternatively

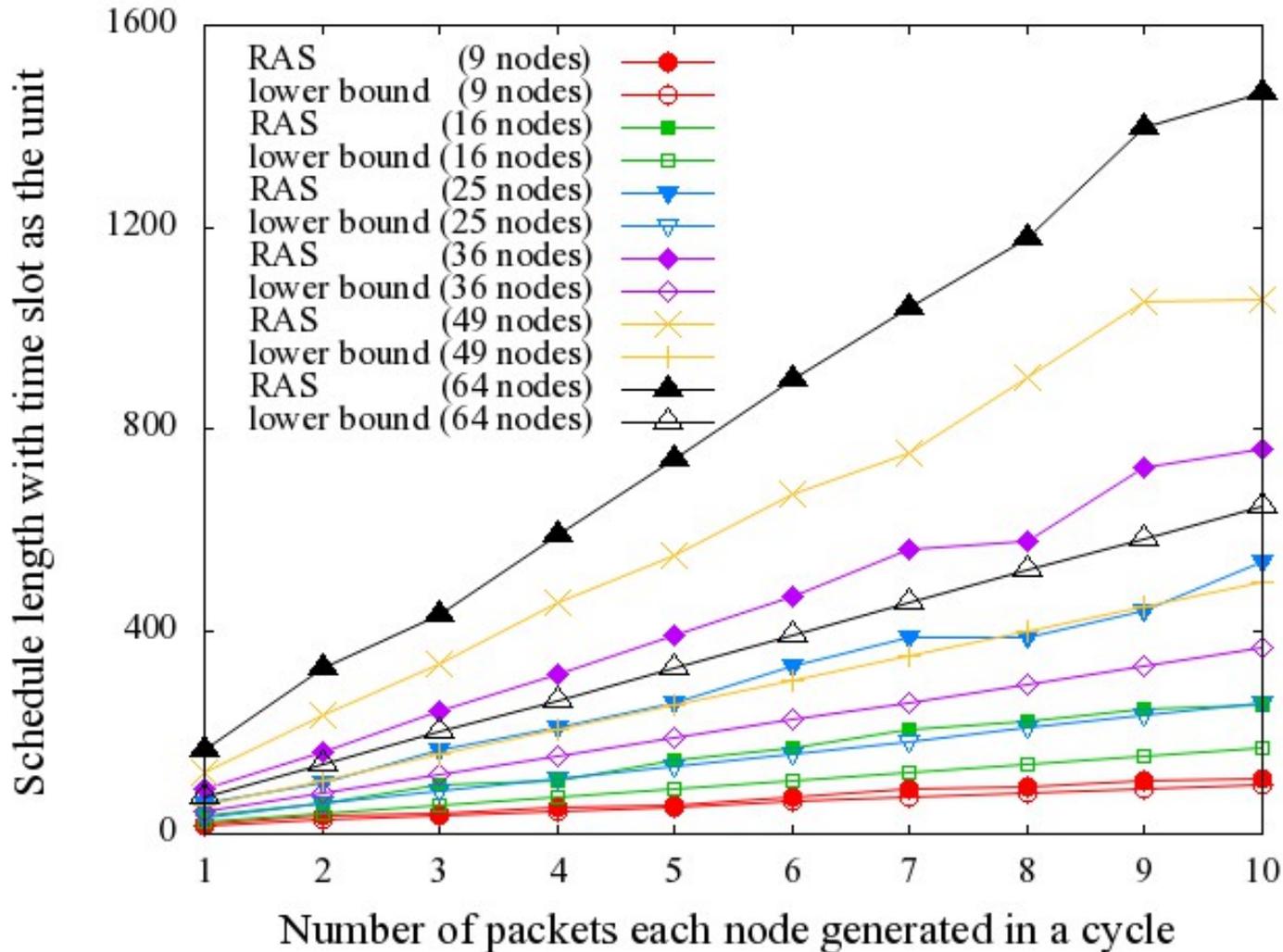


Performance Evaluation

- Simulation settings under NS-3 (network simulator 3)
 - Networks of 6 different sizes: from 9-node to 64-node
 - Nodes are randomly distributed and connected
 - Maximum hop distance range: 1- 7 hops
- In comparison with UW-FLASHR: a distributed TDMA based MAC protocol that utilizes propagation delay to increase throughput

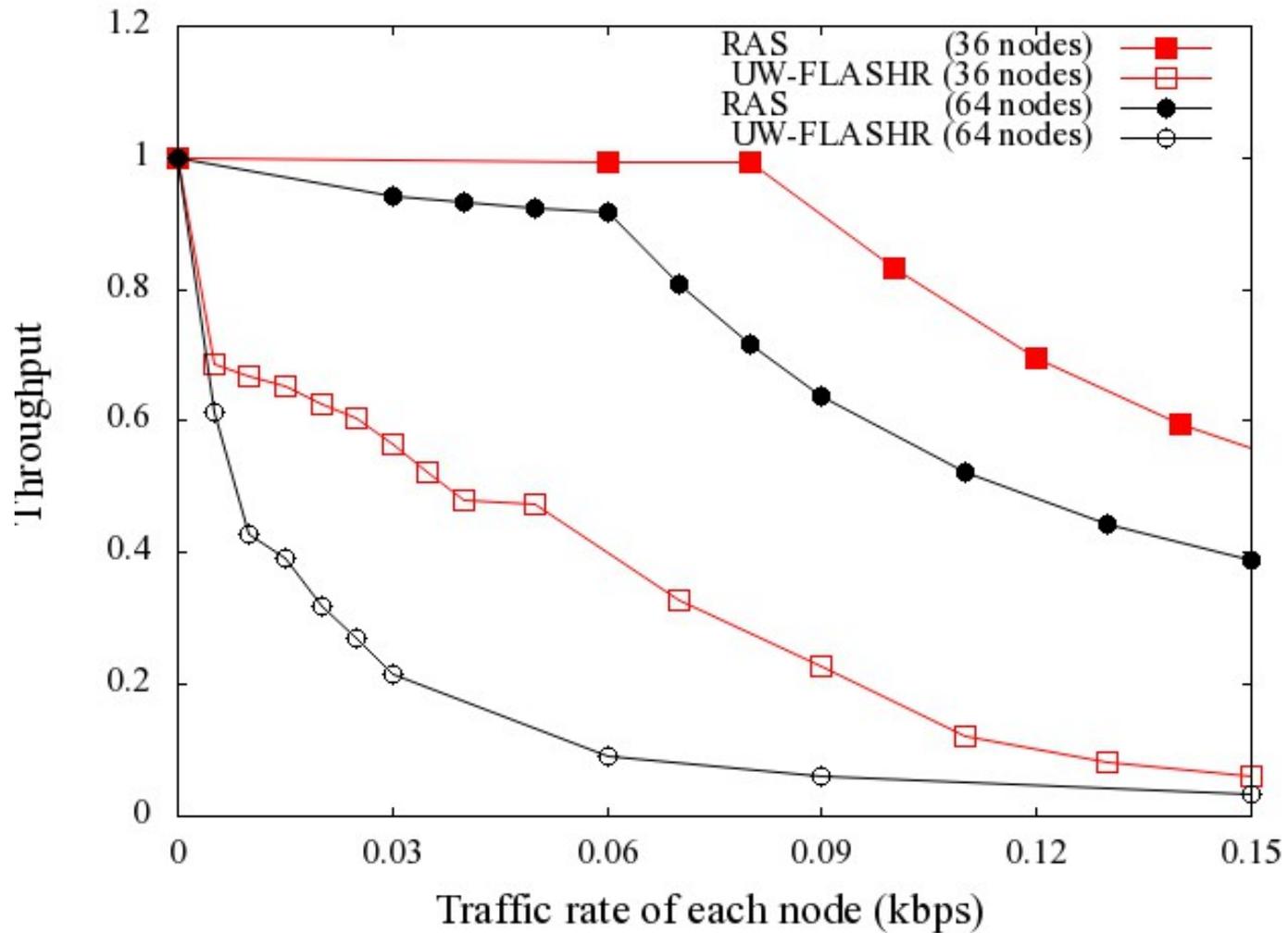
Performance Evaluation

- Schedule length for RAS: **scalable**



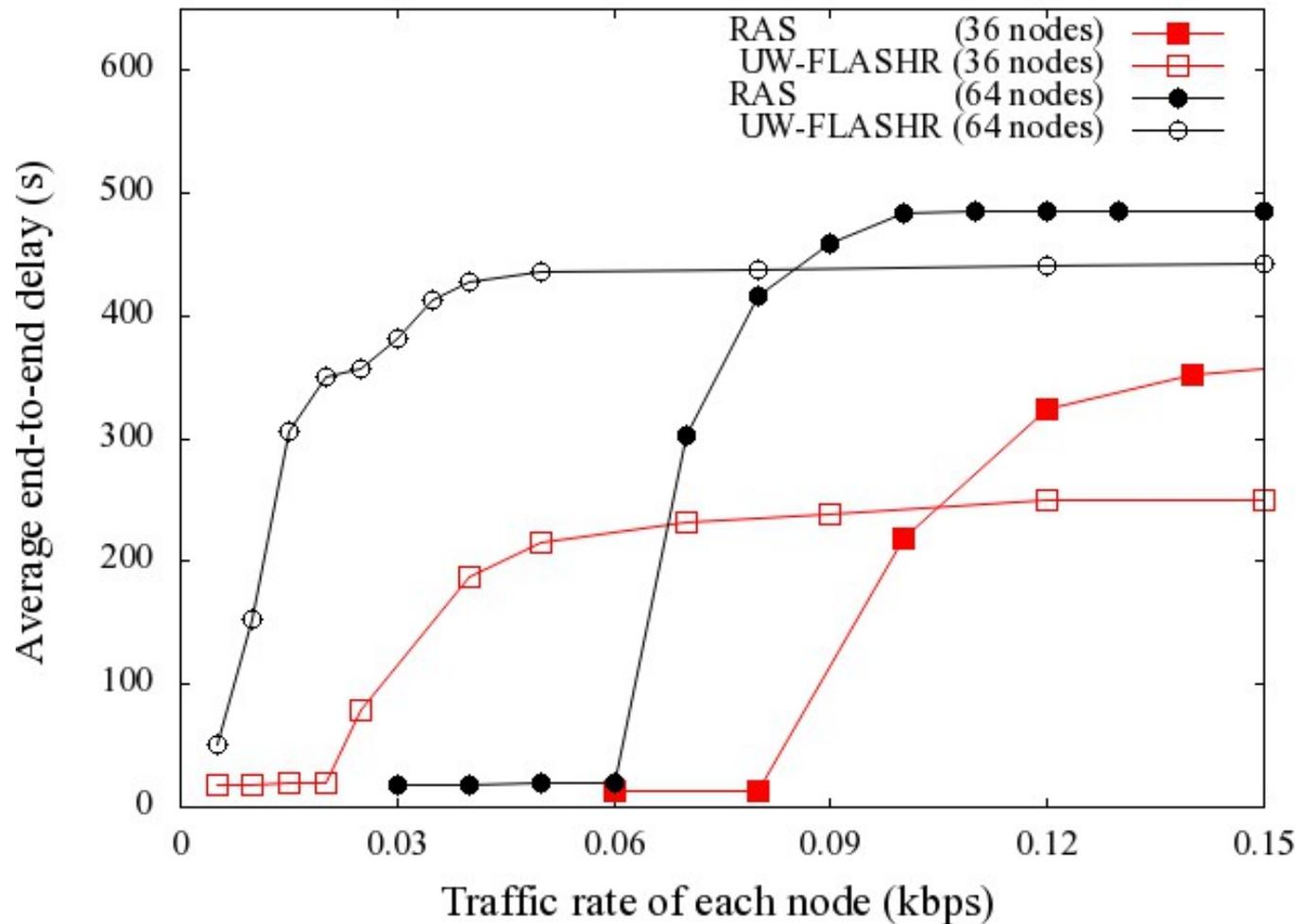
Performance Evaluation

Throughput



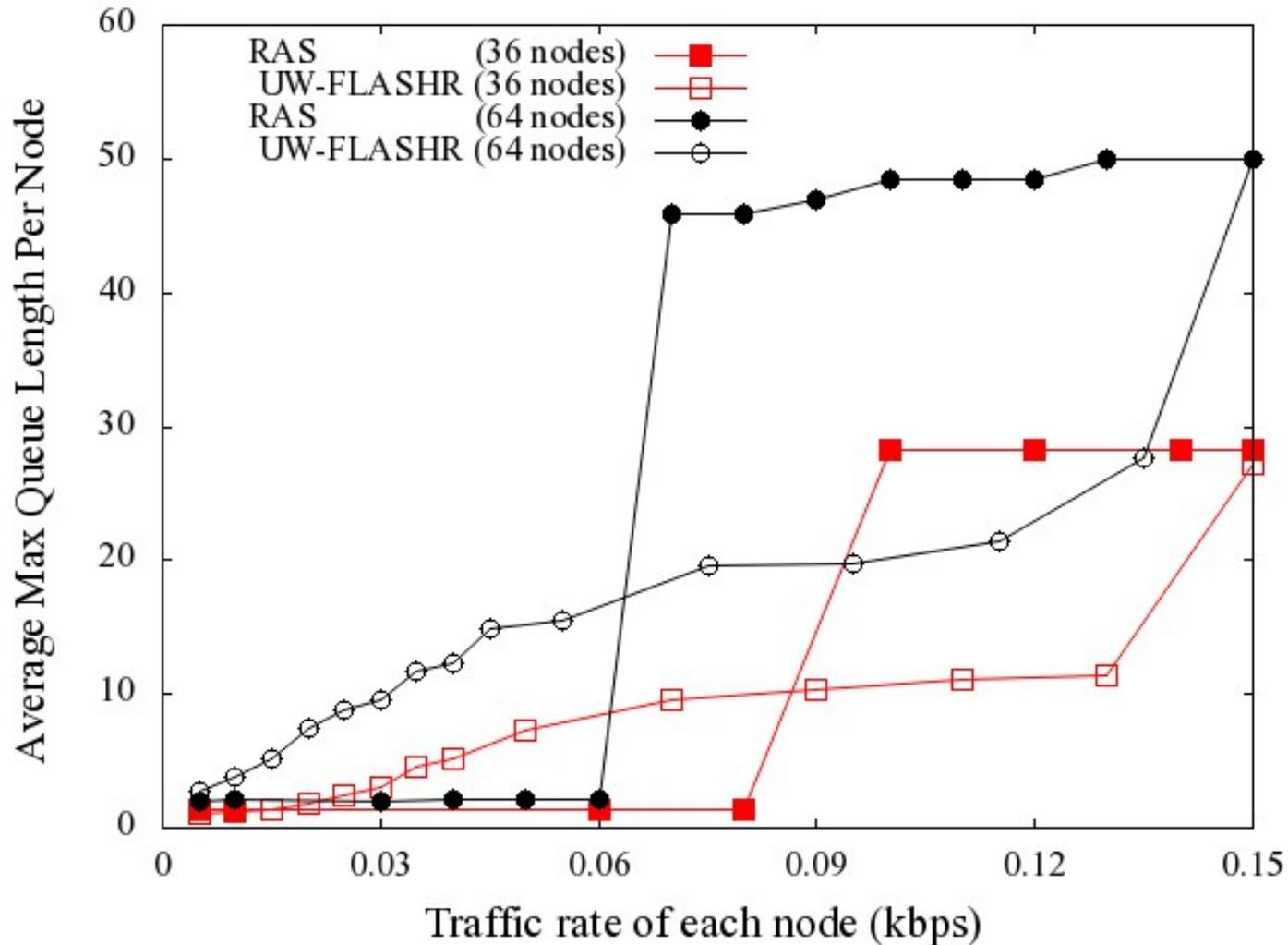
Performance Evaluation

- Average end-to-end delay



Performance Evaluation

- Average maximum queue length per node



Contributions of Part I

- Design a priority scheduling protocol to provide **efficient communications** for UWASNs
 - Allow parallel transmissions, and thus improve the throughput and delay performance
 - Mitigate queue overflow and scalable in calculating proper schedules

Part 2:
Reliable Protocol Conformance Testing

Motivations

- Experiences from **real** deployments show that protocol implementations are prone to **software failures**
 - A three-day **network-outage** on a volcano deployment: a **bug** in the routing protocol Deluge
 - **Sporadic packet loss** on all GSM nodes in the Swiss Alps deployment: a **bug** in the GPRS drivers of the BS
- Very expensive and difficult to fix the bugs after deployment

Related work

- Current main methods in tackling the software bugs in WSNs
 - Simulation: different from real execution (Li & Regehr, 2010; Sasnauskas et al., 2010)
 - Testbeds: designed for network performance evaluation rather than for software bug detection
 - Large-scale real deployment: expensive

We are the **first** to use a small number of **real** sensor nodes to mimic large-scale WSNs and test **the protocol implementation** against **the specification** -> **RealProct**

Challenges

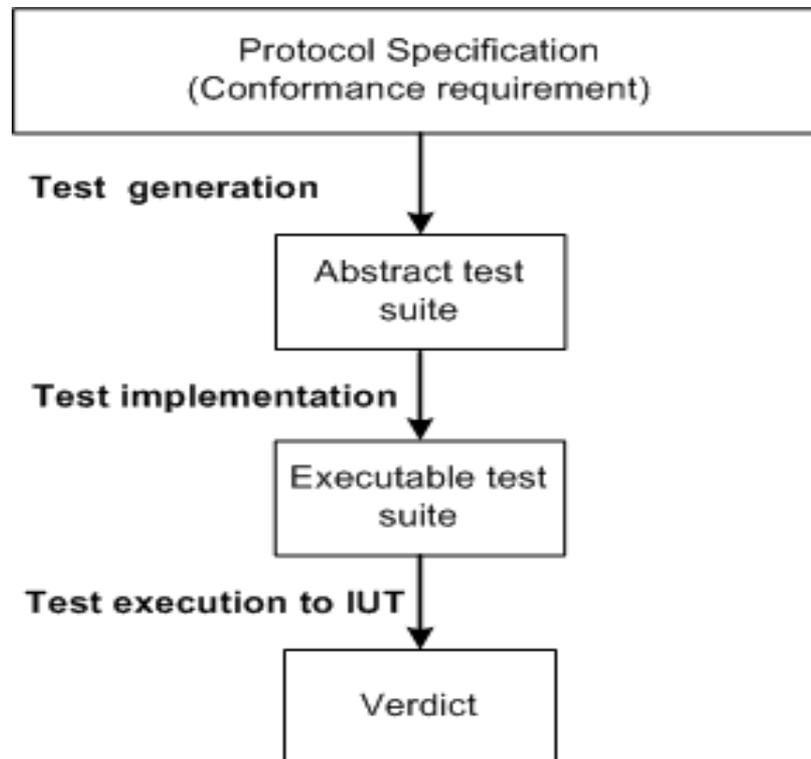
- Sensor node is **difficult to control** than a PC
 - Limited CPU and inconvenient interface
- How to test the protocol with **various** topologies and events with only **a few** real sensor nodes
- Volatile wireless environment will lead to random **packet loss**, and cause problems in testing

RealProct Solutions to the Challenges

- An architecture that enables testing with real sensor nodes
- Topology virtualization and event virtualization
- Dynamic Test Execution

Background

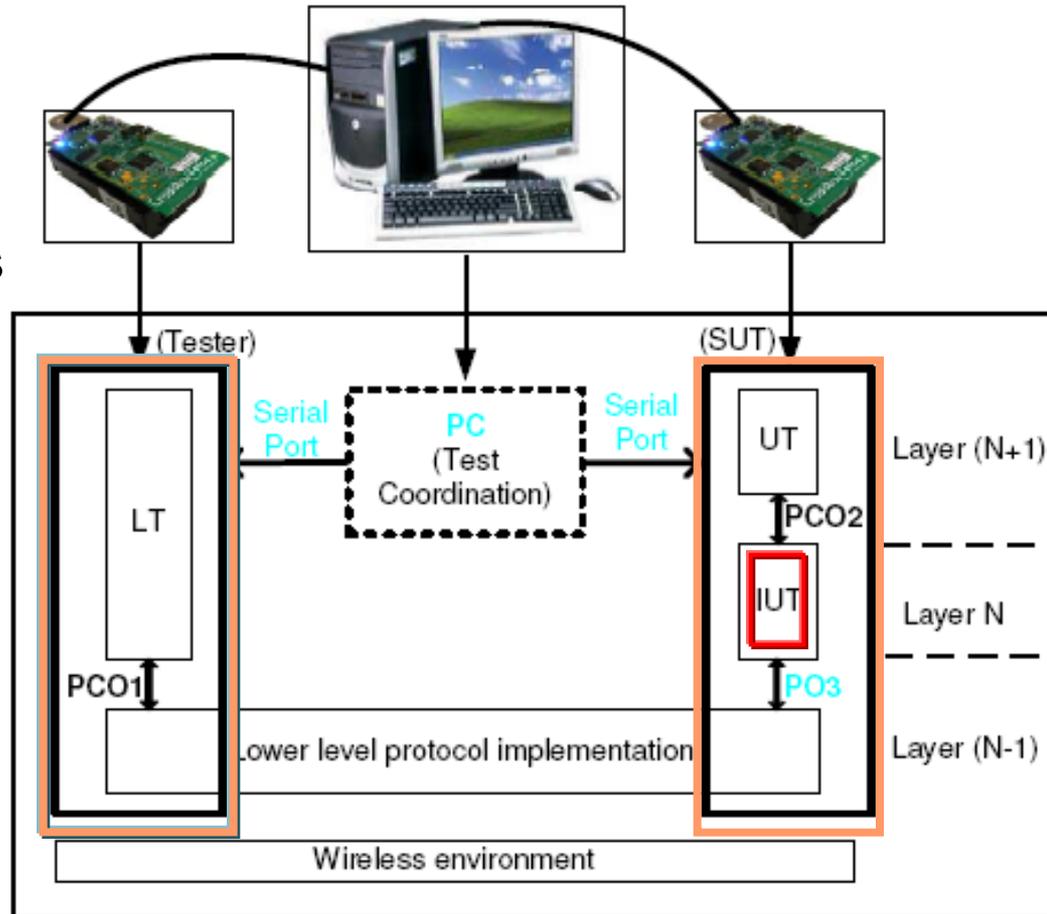
- Protocol conformance testing (PCT) process
 - IUT (Implementation Under Test)



RealProct Architecture

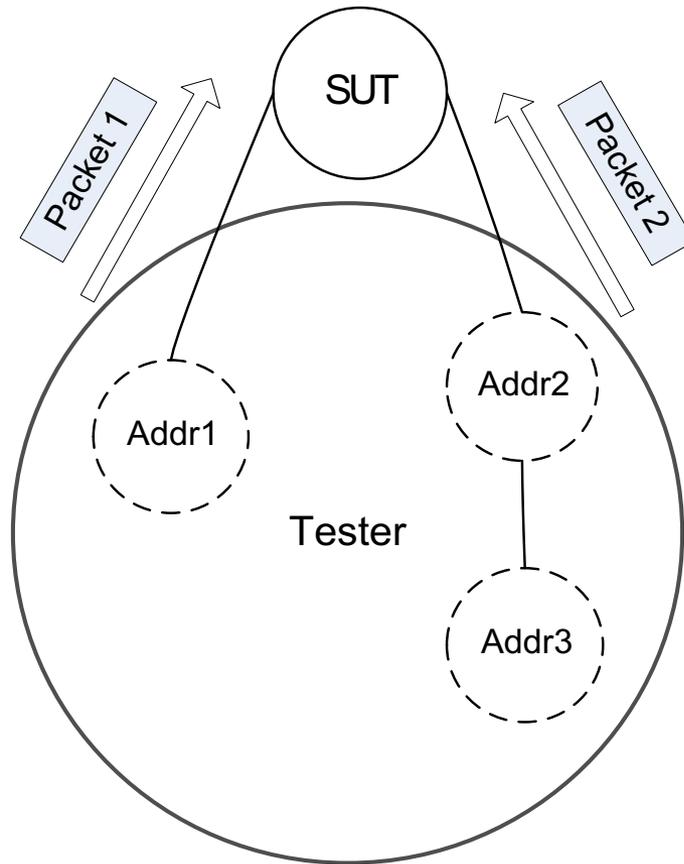
- SUT (System Under Test)

Tester executes test cases



Topology Virtualization

- Use the tester to virtualize a 3-node topology for SUT

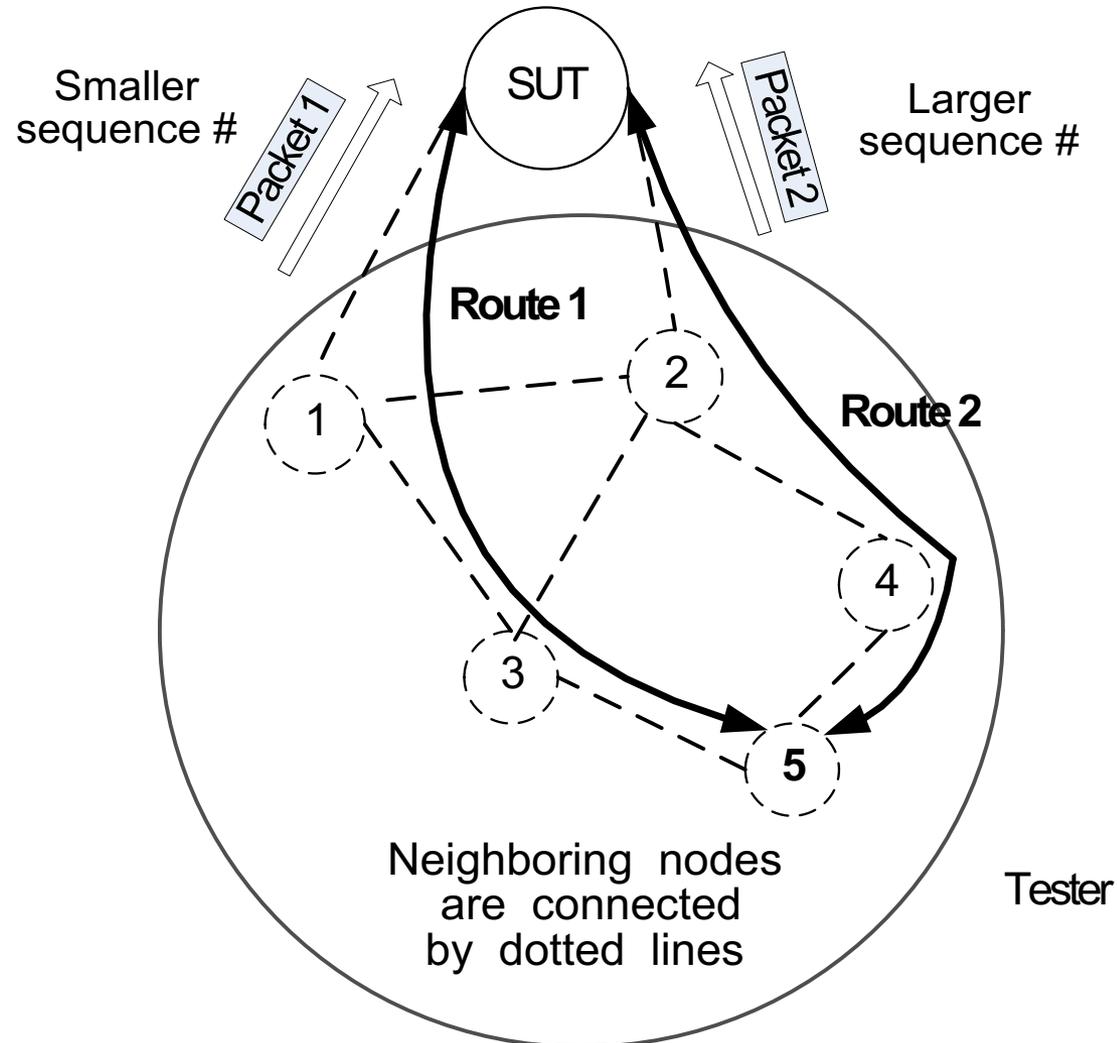


Content of Packet 1:
Sender address is Addr1.

Content of Packet 2:
Sender address is Addr2.
The sender has a neighbor with Addr3.

Event Virtualization

- Use the tester to create a packet disorder event at the SUT



Reason to Use Dynamic Test Execution

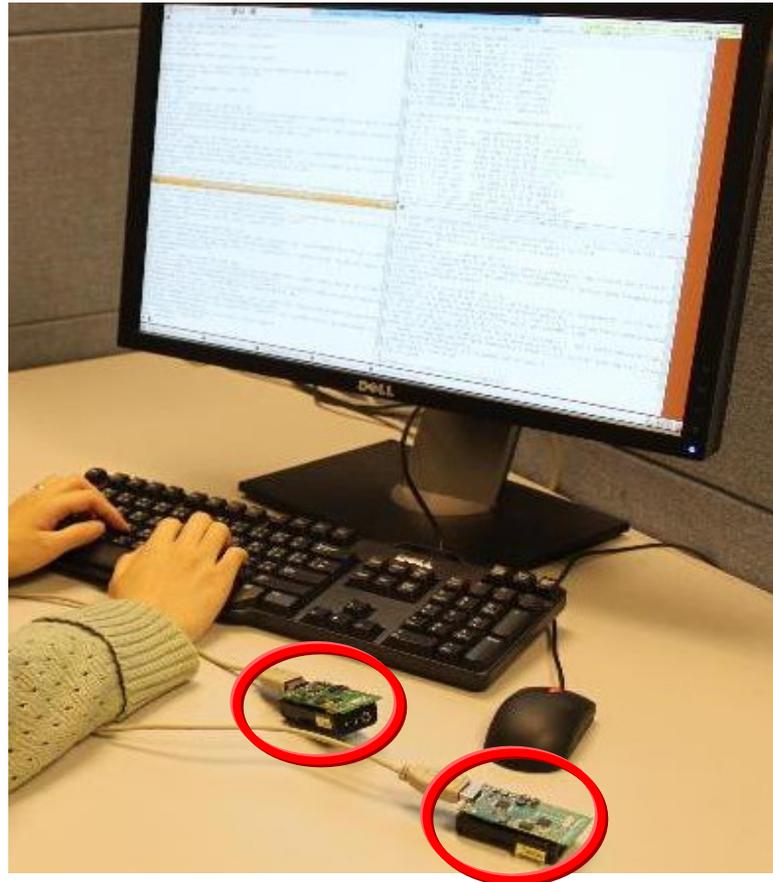
- Suppose packet loss probability is L_0 , a test case is executed n times, and it passes n_1 times and fails n_2 times
 - If $n_1 > n_2$, then declare as **pass**, calculate the **FN (false negative) probability**
 - If $n_1 < n_2$, then declare as **fail**, calculate the **FP (false positive) probability**

Dynamic Test Execution

- To guarantee that the FN and FP error rates are **lower** than a required value, first calculate the **minimum** count to execute each test case
- The actual execution times are **dynamic**
 - Repeat the test case execution until its FN and FP error rates are satisfied

Performance Evaluation

- Equipment: two real TelosB sensor nodes and a PC
 - **Tradeoff** between simulation and large-scale deployment
 - **First** to find **two new** bugs that the developers added into their **bugzilla**



Performance Evaluation

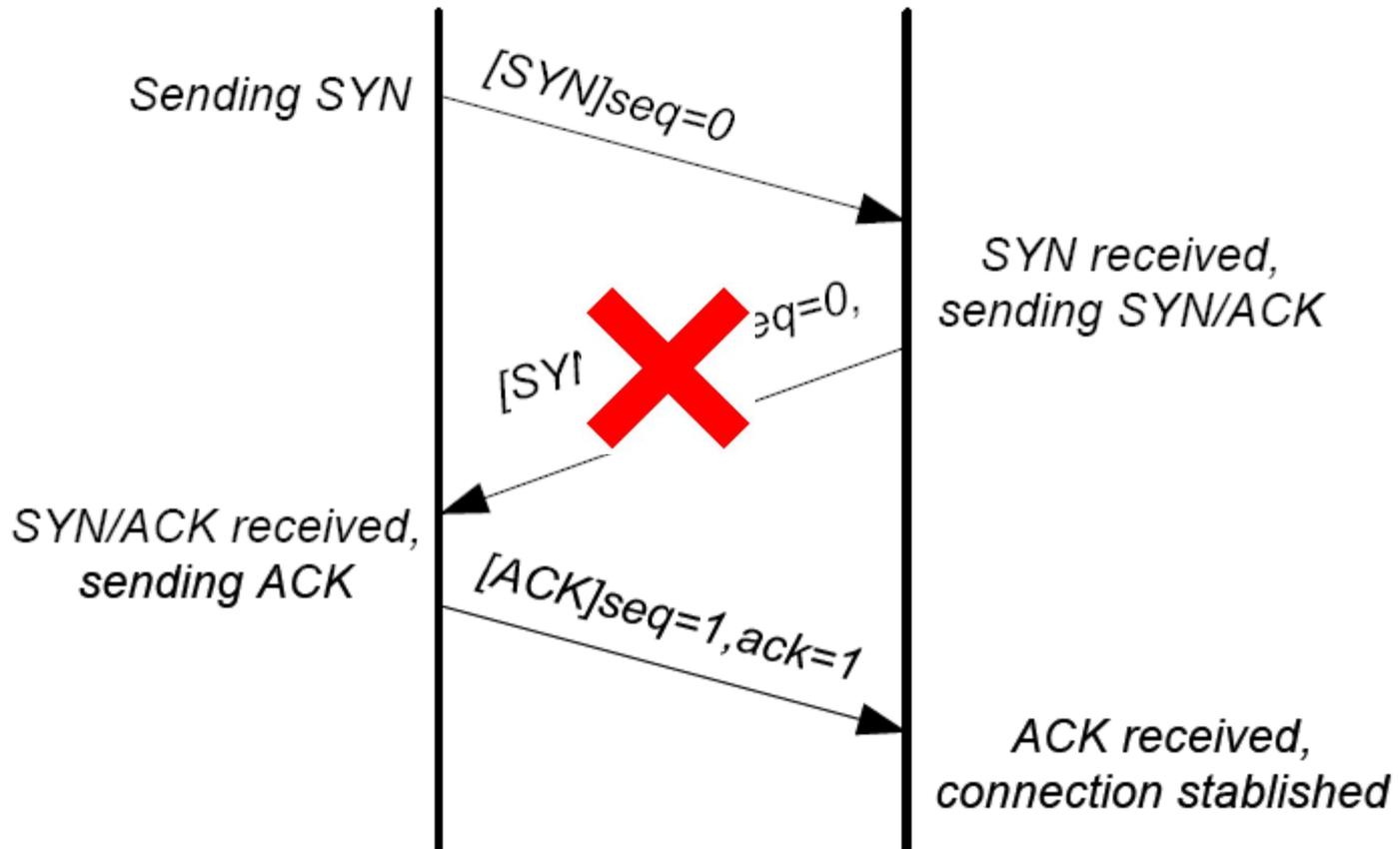
- Protocols tested in OS Contiki 2.4: μ IP TCP/IP protocol and Rime mesh routing protocol for WSNs
- Two **new** bugs found in μ IP TCP/IP and previous bug repetition
 - **Bug 1 & 2** – Connect to opened & unopened TCP ports
 - Bug 3 – SYN/ACK packet loss
 - Bug 4 – SYN packet duplication

Performance Evaluation

- Bug I (new) – Connect to opened TCP ports
 - Test opened port 0 (within 0 to 65535)

TCP client: 1025

TCP server: 80



Performance Evaluation

- Bug 1 – Client (Tester) connects to opened TCP port 0 of Server (SUT)

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user@instant-contiki: ~/contiki-2.4/RealProct/testcase2/server
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help test case 2 Client
user@instant-contiki:~/contiki-2.4/RealProct/testcase2/server$ reset0; dump0
MSP430 Bootstrap Loader Version: 1.39-telos-7
Use -h for help
Reset device ...
connecting to /dev/ttyUSB0 (115200) [OK]
Contiki 2.4 started. Node id is not set.
Rime started with address 155.188
MAC 00:12:74:00:13:7b:bc:9b CSMA X-MAC, channel check rate 4 Hz, radio channel 26
uIP started with IP address 172.16.155.188
Starting 'Example protosocket client'
client*****
eventhandler() ev == PROCESS_EVENT_TIMER, timeout number is 0
void sendSYN()
srcIP 172.16.155.188,destIP 172.16.137.204,vhl:0x45,tos:0x00,total length:0x002C,identification:0x0001,ipoffset:0x0000,ttl:0x40,protocol:0x06,IPchecksum:0x21FD,
TCPheader srcPort:1025,destPort:0,seq:1111,ackno:2222,ipoffset:0x00,flag:0x02,window:0.4
8,TCPchecksum:0xCA15,urg:0.0,TCP_OPT_MSS option indicate MSS is:48,
eventhandler() ev == PROCESS_EVENT_TIMER, timeout number is 1
Timeout, test case fail --> Test result. Bug: Server does not reply correctly when its port 0 receives SYN
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Bug: Client expects SYN/ACK response while it receives no reply

Contributions of Part 2

- As a protocol testing tool with **real** sensor nodes, RealProct finds **two new** bugs, repeats previously detected bugs in the TCP/IP stack of WSNs
- Propose two techniques, topology virtualization and event virtualization, for testing
- Design an algorithm to tackle the inaccuracy problem caused by non-deterministic events in test execution

Part 3:
Mobility-assisted Diagnosis

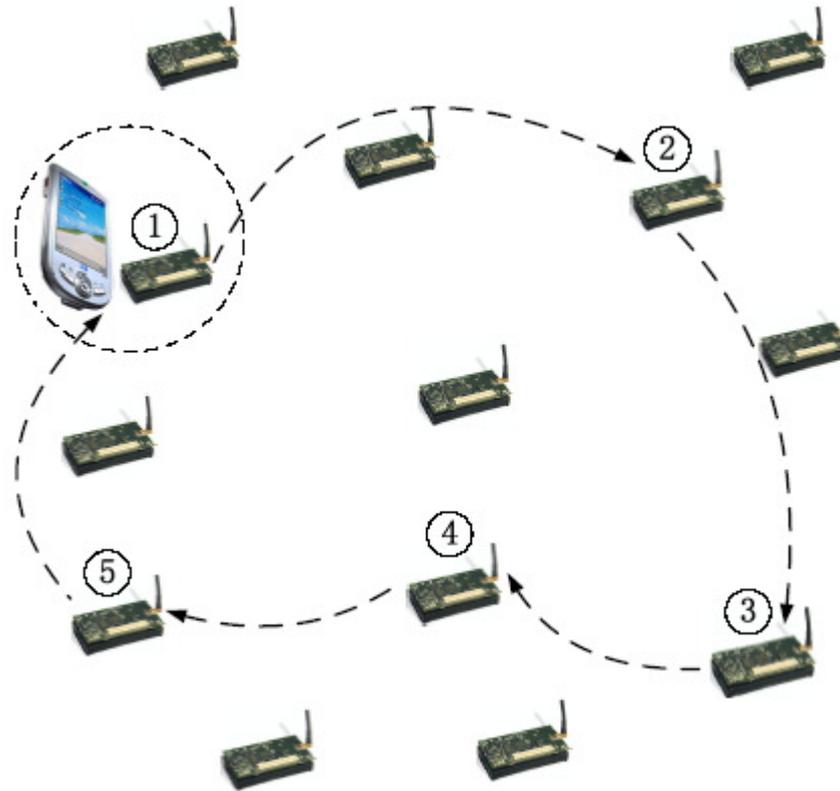
Motivations and Related Work

- Truth: despite extensive testing, bugs still sneak into real deployment
 - In-situ diagnosis in real-time failure detection
- Implant diagnosis agents into each sensor node (Ramanathan et al, 2005; Liu et al.,2011; Miao et al.,2011)
 - Many already-deployed WSNs are not facilitated with the agents
 - Intrude the WSN application
 - Insert agents at all protocol layers: inefficient
- Deploy another network to monitor the WSN (Khan et al., 2007)
 - Inefficient
 - Costly

Overview of Our Solution: MDiag

- **First** to propose a mobility-assisted diagnosis (MDiag) approach to detect failures by patrolling WSNs with smartphones
- Mobile smartphones are increasingly popular
- **Not intrude** the WSN applications during the patrol
 - smartphones collect and analyze packets sent from sensor nodes
- Able to collect **raw** packets (contain **header information** in **all** protocol layers) of **all** types, MDiag frees us from inserting agents at all the protocol layers
- **On-demand diagnosis without** deploying another monitoring network

A Diagnosis Scenario of MDiag



Challenges

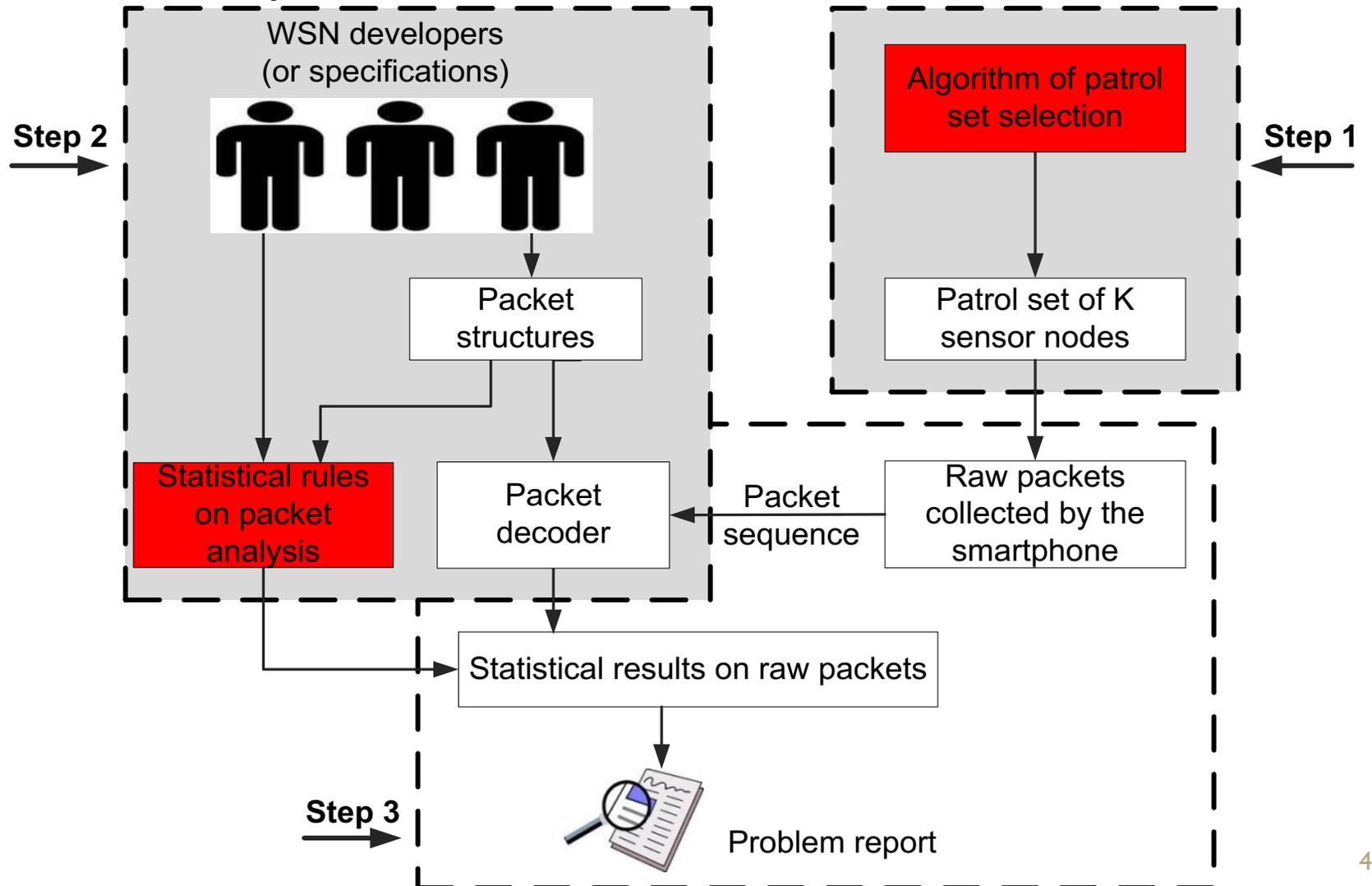
- How to determine the abnormal behaviors from the collected various kinds of raw packets
- How to design the patrol method to increase the failure detection rate

Background: Network Architecture

- A WSN with a BS and static sensor nodes deployed for monitoring applications
- The smartphone is able to receive the packets sent from the sensor nodes as long as
 - equipped with the same reception device as the sensor nodes
 - or attached with a sensor node for snooping purpose only
- We discuss the case of using one smartphone to patrol

MDiag Framework

- Three steps



Statistical Rules on Packet Analysis

- In the statistical results, the following fields are analyzed by the statistical rules:
 - Packet type
 - Packet count of each type
 - Packet directions
 - Neighbor information
 - Packet value, e.g., data content of an application data packet

Statistical Rules on Packet Analysis

- Not applicable to analyze a single packet process, e.g., a random TCP packet loss
- Based on the **targets of all protocol layers**
- In aspect of completeness:
 - More complete than Sympathy (employs only one rule)
 - A subset of the specification-based rules

Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms

- The patrol approach should try to **cover all the sensor nodes** in the WSN
- The problem is the **patrol set** selection rather than the **patrol path** design
 - The cost during the travel is not considered

Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms: Naïve Method (NM)

- The smartphone visits all the sensor nodes one by one
 - Long time
 - Low failure detection

Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms: Greedy Method (GM)

- Utilizing the broadcast nature of wireless communications, the smartphone **visits several** sensor nodes, but is able to **cover all** the sensor nodes



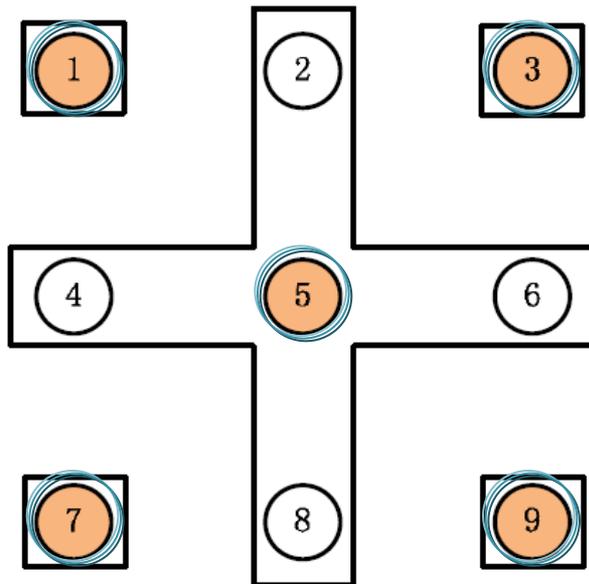
Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms: Greedy Method (GM)

The smartphone always selects to visit the sensor node with the largest degree

Degree(v): sensor node v 's neighbor count

Snooping efficiency (SE) of v : degree(v)

SE of a patrol set S with K sensor nodes: **average** of the K sensor nodes' SE

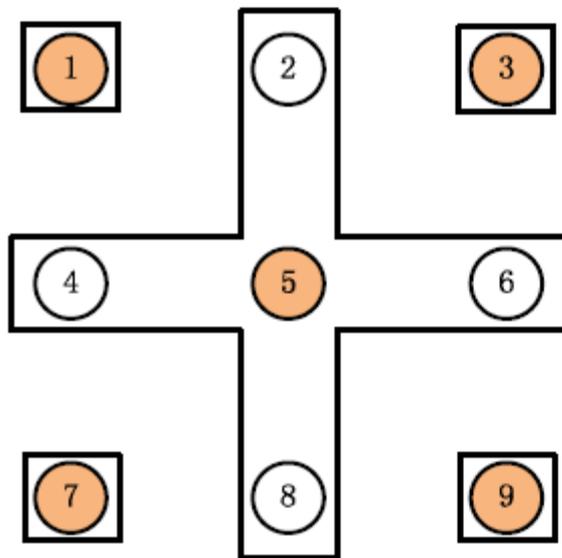


**Aim at improving patrol set
snooping efficiency**

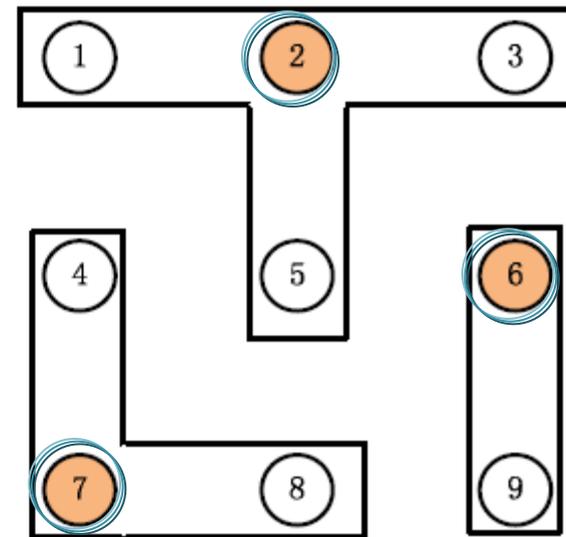
Not the minimum set cover
problem

Part 3: Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms: Maximum Snooping Efficiency Patrol (MSEP)

- MSEP is **better** than GM
 - Cover every sensor node
 - Enhance the **patrol set snooping efficiency** by **reducing small degree** node selection probability



SE of GM patrol set: 2.4



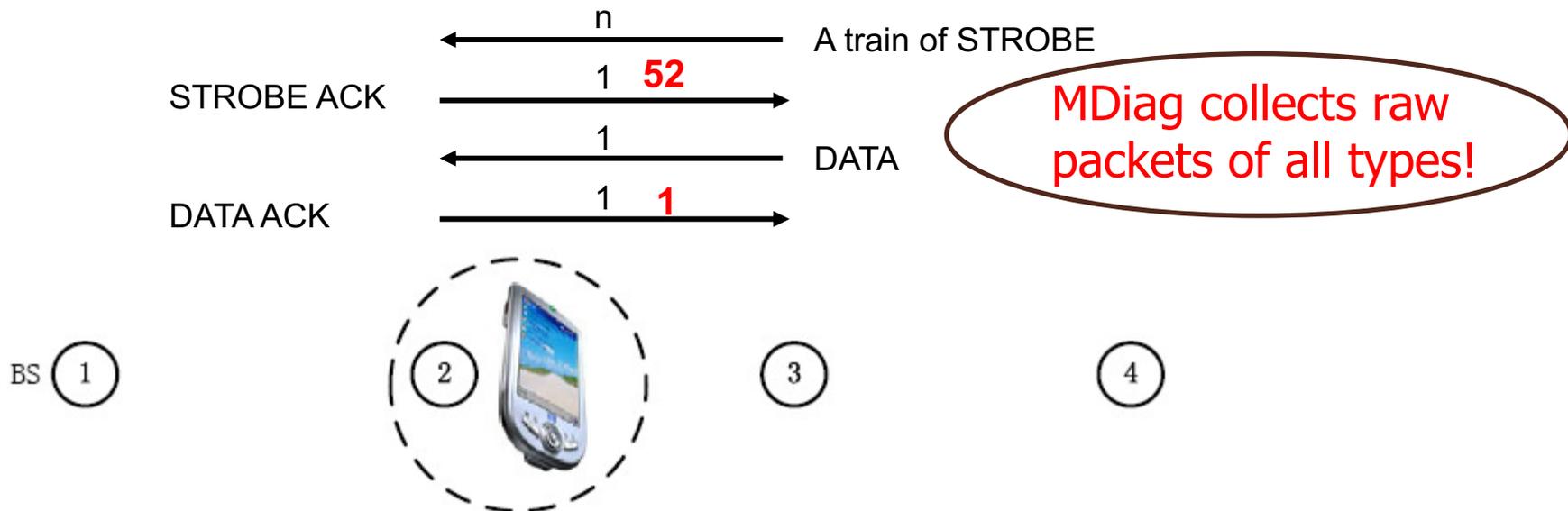
SE of MSEP patrol set: 2.67

Performance Evaluation: Settings

- **Real** experiments and emulations
- An existing data collection application with routing protocol CTP and X-MAC protocol
- Use **real** failures encountered in our experiments and also failures found in the code repositories of OS Contiki
- Besides NM and GM, implement a baseline method called RM-K to compare with MSEP

Performance Evaluation: Permanent Failure Detection

- A rule: **X-MAC** protocol behaviors between a pair of communicating sensor nodes
- Rule is violated: performance **degradation** failure
- **Not** noticeable at the application layer
- **Cannot** be detected by agent approach Sympathy



Performance Evaluation: Permanent Failure Detection

- **Surprising** reason: a **'printf'** statement in the WSN application program
 - Trigger serial port **interrupts**: consume a lot of CPU **resources**
 - CPU is too busy to handle packet transmissions and receptions

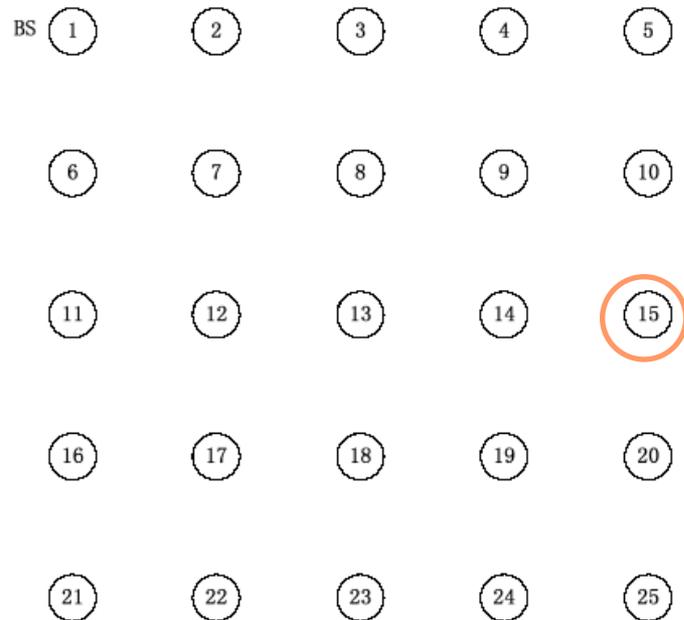
Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

- Short-term failure: **routing fluctuation** after **reboot**
 - Routing fluctuation** -> using each other to forward data -> **bidirectional data exchange** -> **abnormal case (AC)**
 - Disobey a rule on routing behaviors
 - Lasting time is **short-term**: patrol approaches matter



Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

- Topology
 - Due to **no initialization** of the routing value
 - For the BS: initialized as 0
 - For the other sensor nodes: **should be** a **maximum** value (in fact **0**)

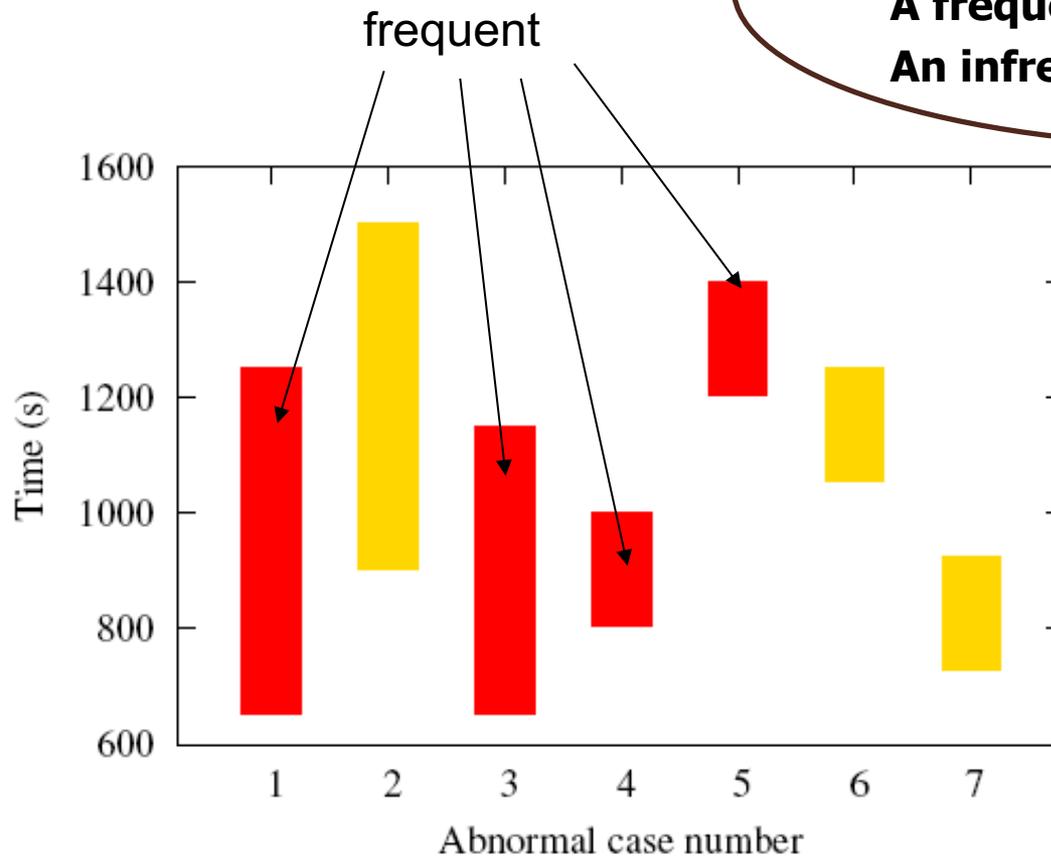


Reboot at 600s

Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

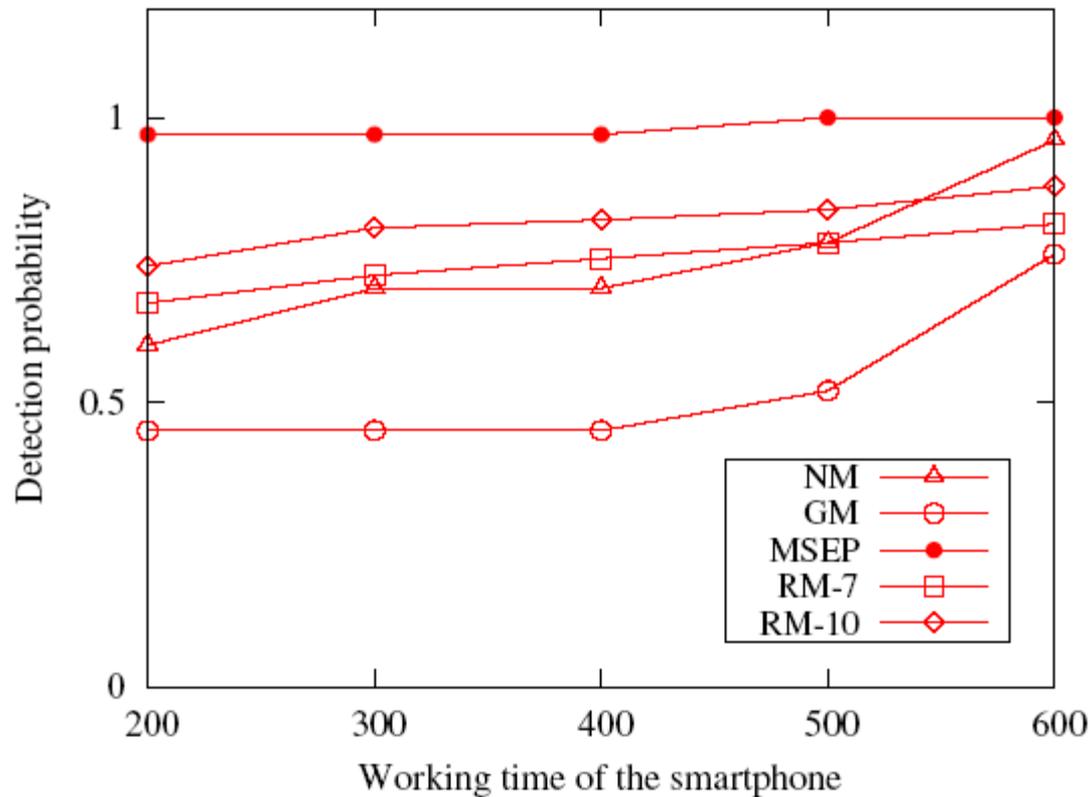
- Abnormal case (bidirectional data exchange)
 - Short & long
 - Frequent & infrequent

R represents a datum in the opposite direction of a datum **D**.
A frequent AC: DRDRDRDRDR
An infrequent AC: DDDDRRRRR



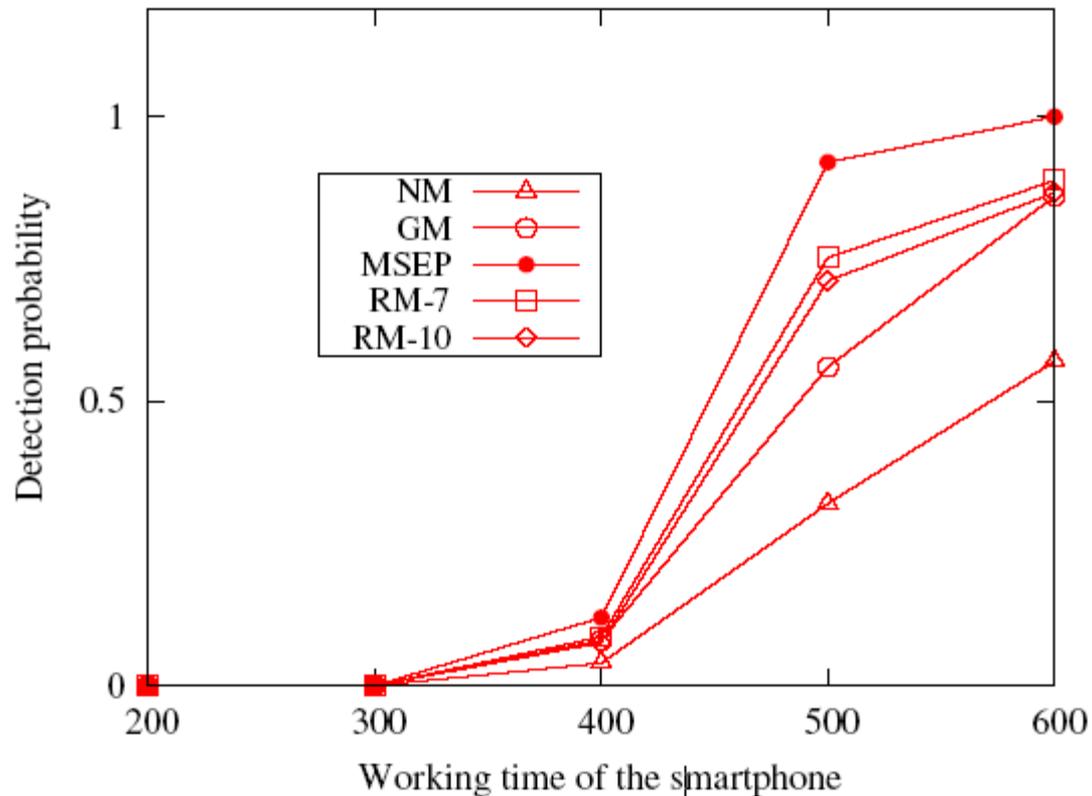
Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

- Detection probability of abnormal case I (long and frequent)



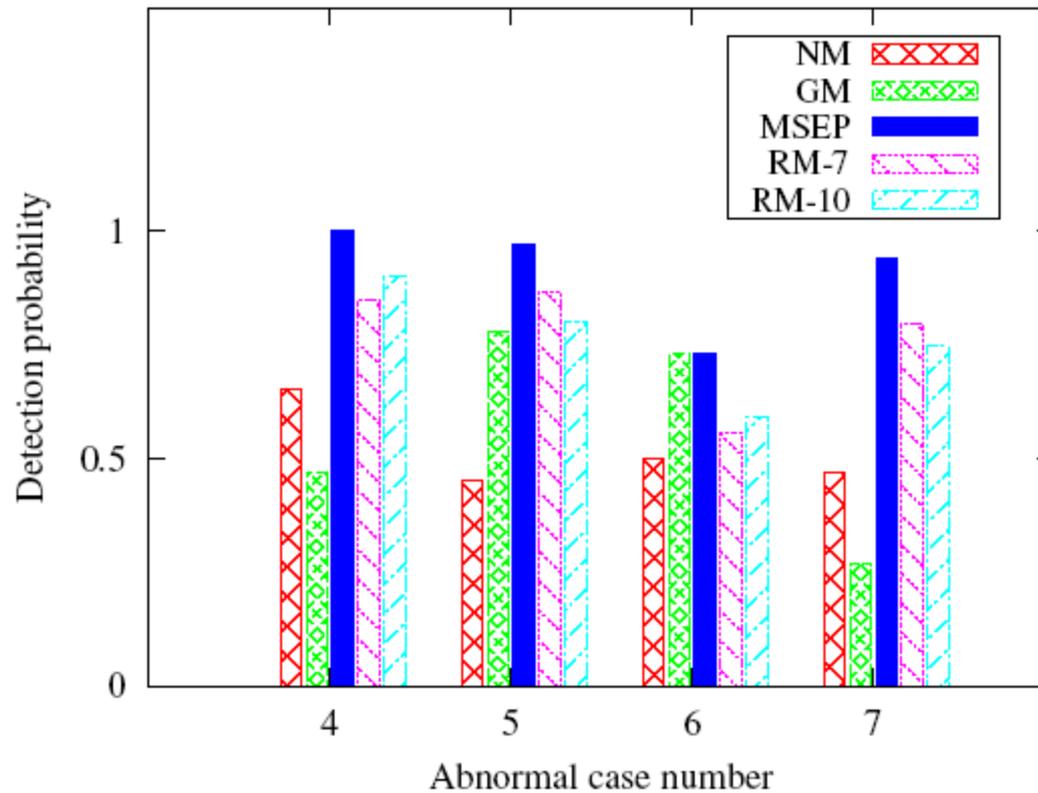
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- Detection probability of abnormal case 2 (long but infrequent)



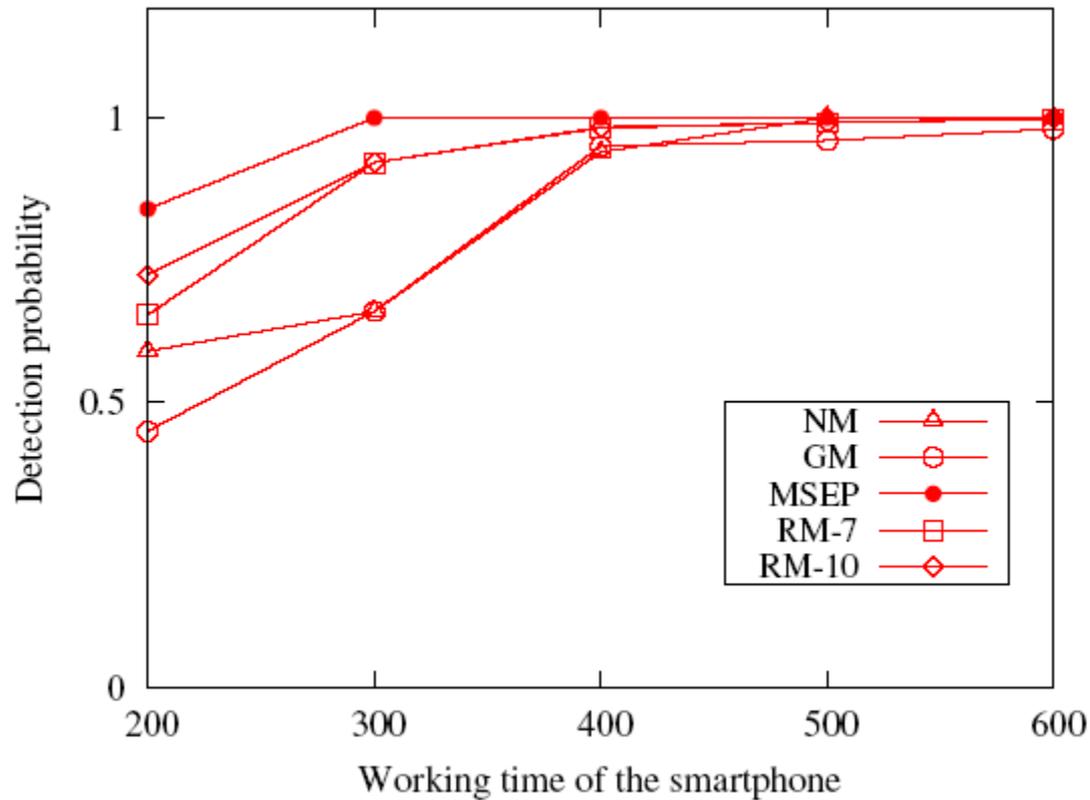
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- Detection probability of abnormal case 4, 5, 6, and 7 (short)



Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

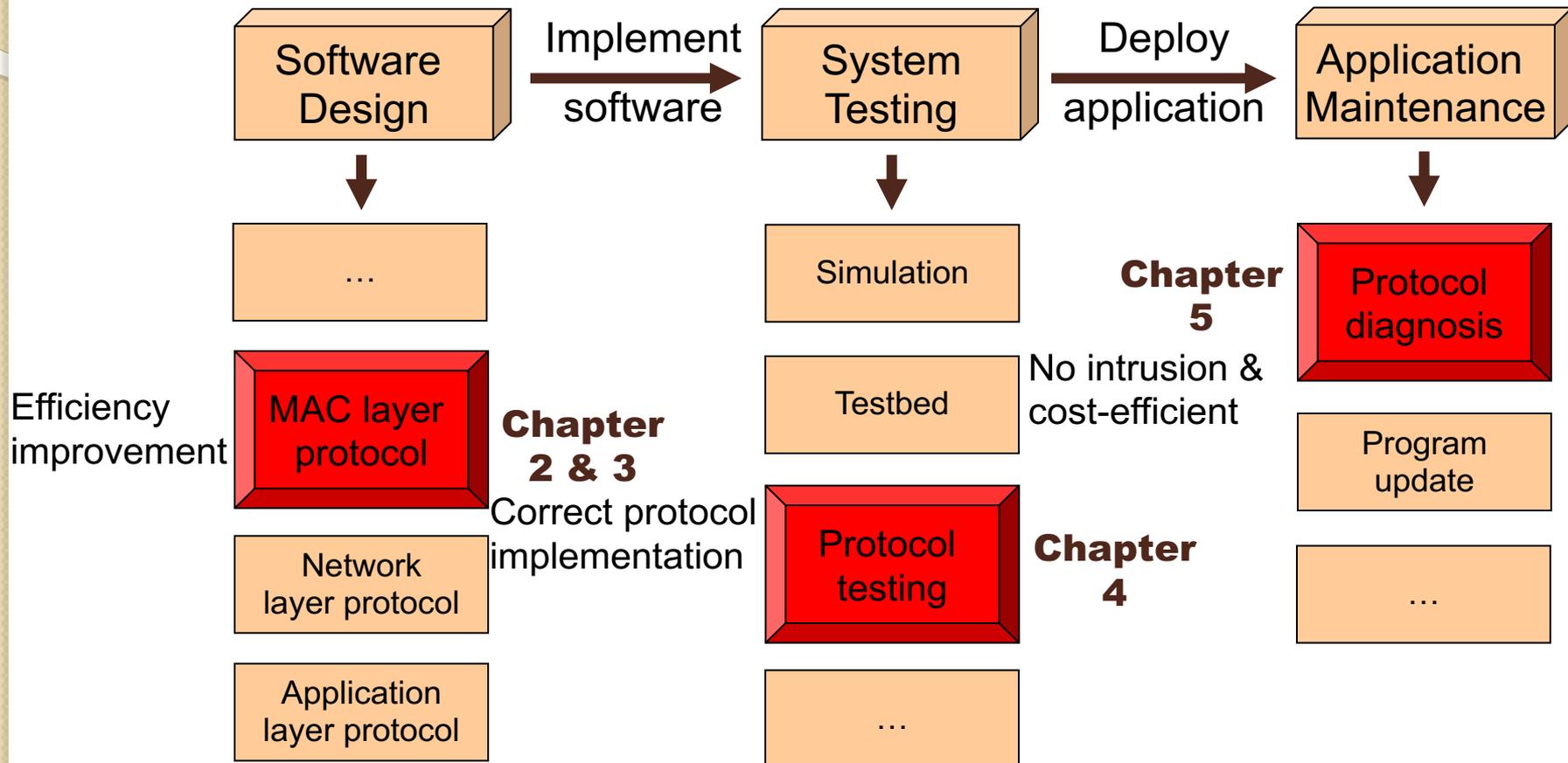
- Detection probability of all ACs



Contributions of Part 3

- Propose a mobility-assisted diagnosis method called MDiag:
 - **Not intrude** the WSNs
 - **More efficient** than deploying another network for diagnosis purpose
 - Able to snoop all kinds of raw packets, it can help **find more failures**
- Design statistical rules to guide the abnormal phenomena determination
- Propose MSEP algorithm to improve the detection rate and reduce the patrol time of MDiag

Thesis Scope Review



Conclusions

- Design a priority scheduling protocol RAS to provide **efficient** communications for UWASNs
- Design a protocol conformance testing tool RealProct with **real** sensor nodes for **correct protocol implementation**
- Propose a protocol diagnosis method MDiag to diagnose the deployed WSNs **efficiently without intrusion**

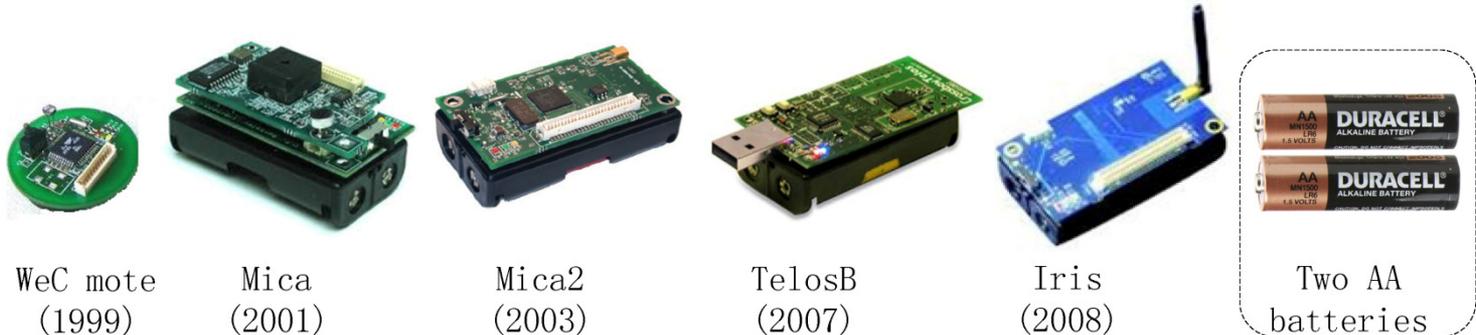
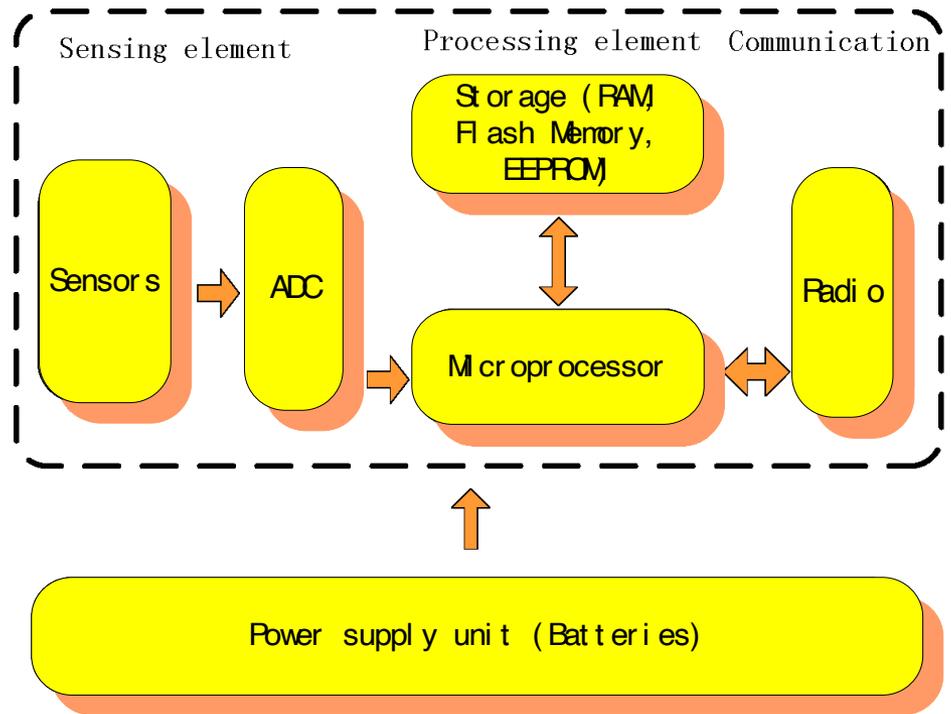
Thank you!

Q & A

Appendix

Introduction: Sensor Nodes

- Power supply unit
- Sensors
- ADC (analog-to-digital converter)
- Microprocessor
- Radio transceiver
- Storage



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(1999)

Mica
(2001)

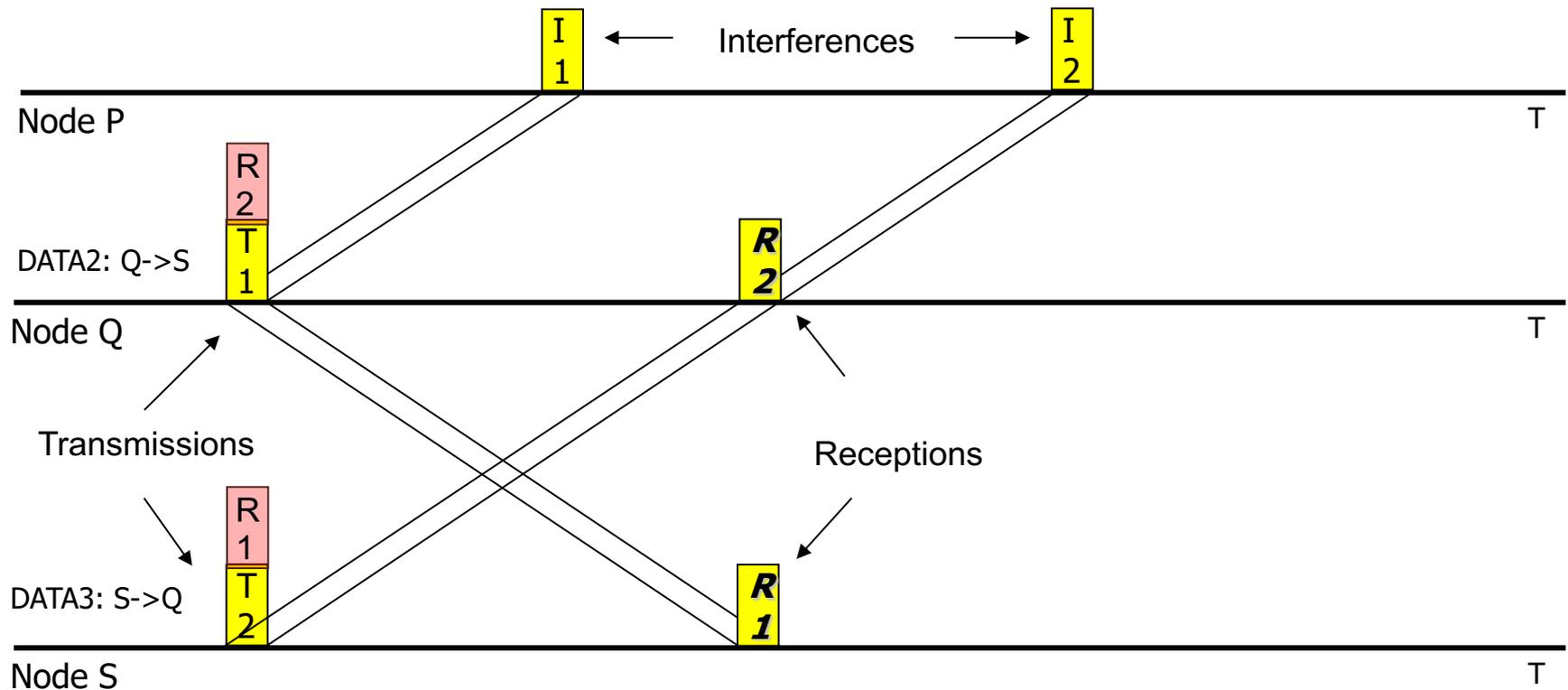
Mica2
(2003)

TelosB
(2007)

Iris
(2008)

Two AA
batteries

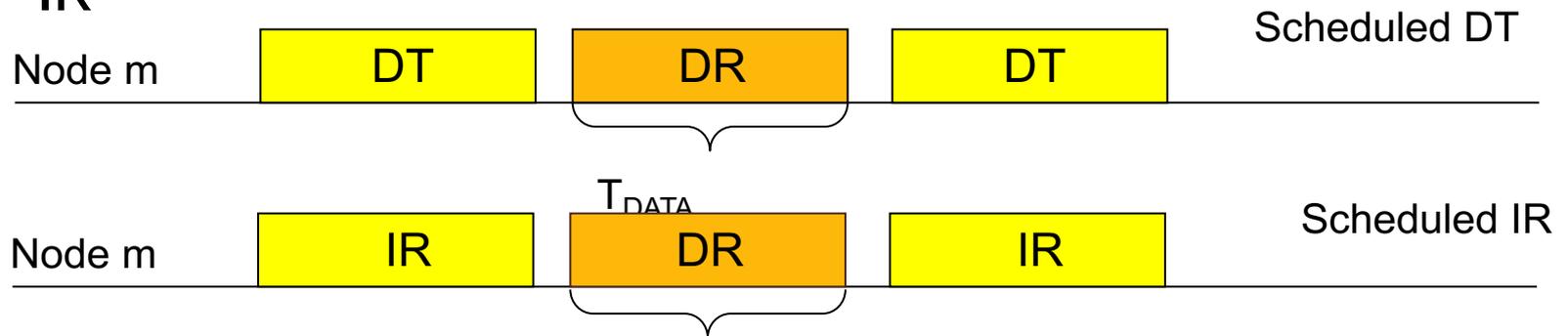
Part I: Motivations



Data transmission between 3 nodes in UWASNs

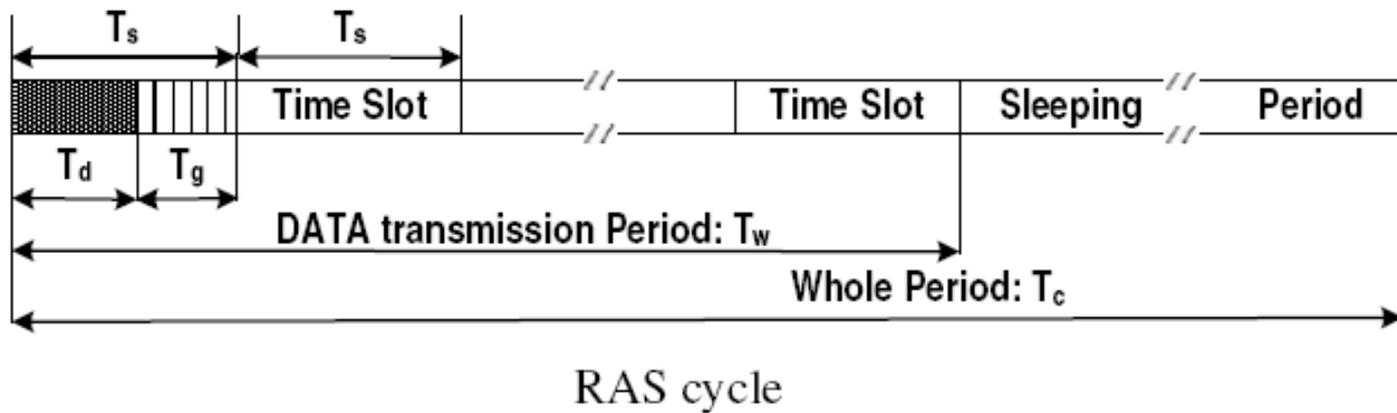
Part I: Scheduling Principles

- At a node, guarantee a DR will not overlap any DT
- At a node, guarantee a DR will not overlap any IR
- At a node, a DT and one or more IR can coexist
- No DR from i -th hop node to $(i+1)$ -th hop node
- At a node, use DR as the scheduling basis rather than DT or IR



DR: data reception
IR: interference reception
DT: data transmission

Part I: RAS Cycle



Part I: Parameters for Data Transmissions

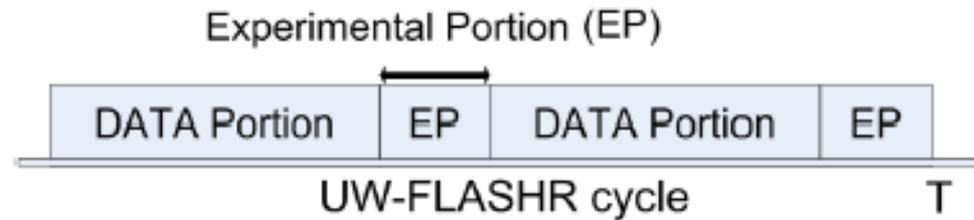


Parameter	Value
Data Rate	10 kbps
Data Packet Size	100 bytes
Control Packet Size	10 bytes
Transmission Range (communication range)	1500 m
Interference Range	3500 m
Average Distance between Two Nodes	1110 m
Guard time	20 ms
Wireless model	TwoRayGround

Part I: UW-FLASHR

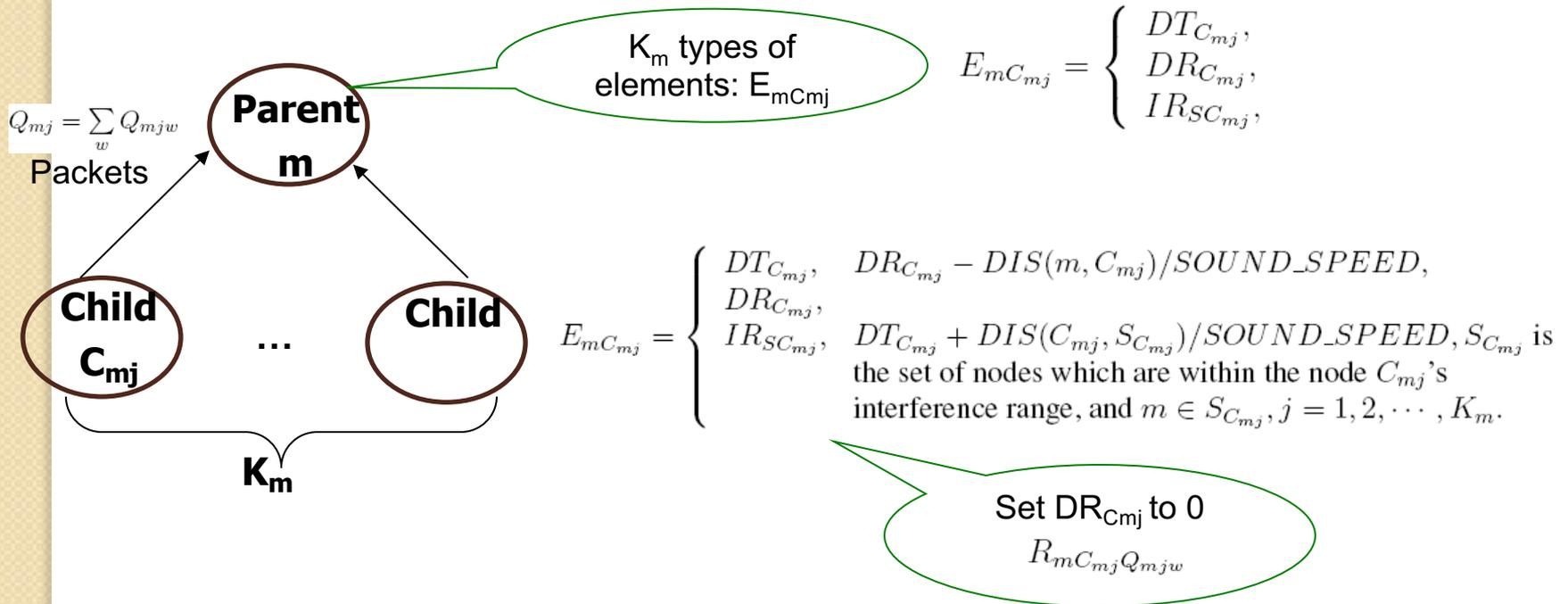
- UW-FLASHR

- is a distributed TDMA based MAC protocol.
- utilizes propagation delay to increase throughput.
- employs no energy-saving mechanism.
- suffers from collisions.



RAS Protocol Design

- Scheduling algorithm formulation
 - Schedule the combination of a DR, a DT and a sequence of IR to the other nodes



RAS Protocol Design

- Scheduling algorithm formulation
 - Schedule according to the principles

$$\min \max R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}}, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, K_m, \sum_w Q_{mjw} = Q_{mj} \text{ and } m \in S. \quad \text{DR : DT}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} + E_{mC_{mj}} \cdot DR_{C_{mj}} > R_{zC_{zj}Q_{zjw}} + E_{zC_{zj}} \cdot DT_{C_{zj}} + D_{DATA}, \text{ or} \\ R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} + E_{mC_{mj}} \cdot DR_{C_{mj}} + D_{DATA} < R_{zC_{zj}Q_{zjw}} + E_{zC_{zj}} \cdot DT_{C_{zj}}, \\ \text{for } C_{zj} = m, z \in S', \end{array} \right\} \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} + E_{mC_{mj}} \cdot DR_{C_{mj}} > R_{zC_{zj}Q_{zjw}} + E_{zC_{zj}} \cdot IR_m + D_{DATA}, \text{ or} \\ R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} + E_{mC_{mj}} \cdot DR_{C_{mj}} + D_{DATA} < R_{zC_{zj}Q_{zjw}} + E_{zC_{zj}} \cdot IR_m, \\ \text{for } z \in S', \end{array} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} > R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw'}}, \text{ or } R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} < R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw'}}, \text{ for } w \neq w', \quad (3)$$

$$R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} > R_{mC_{mj'}Q_{mj'w'}}, \text{ or } R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} < R_{mC_{mj'}Q_{mj'w'}}, \text{ for } j \neq j', \quad (4)$$

$$R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} > R_{m'C_{m'j'}Q_{m'j'w'}}, \text{ or } R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} < R_{m'C_{m'j'}Q_{m'j'w'}}, \text{ for } m \neq m', \quad (5)$$

$$R_{mC_{mj}Q_{mjw}} + E_{mC_{mj}} \cdot DT_{C_{mj}} \geq 0. \quad (6)$$

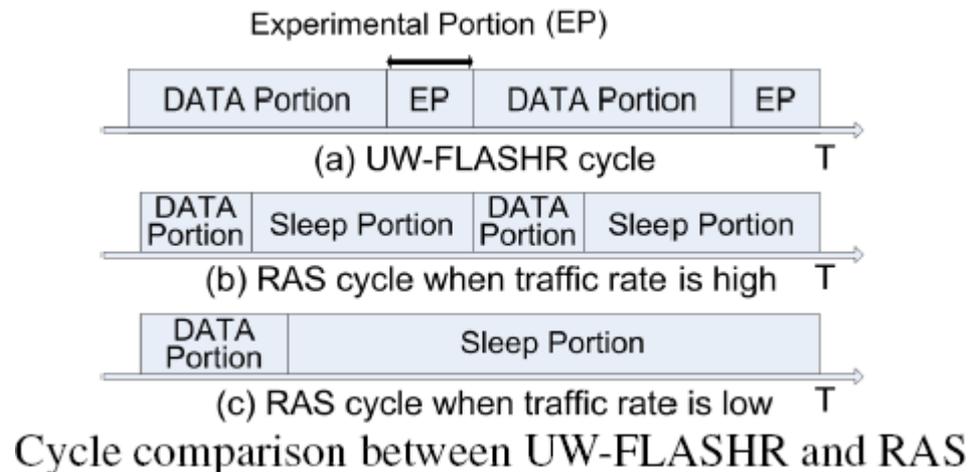
$S' = \{z : \text{the set of nodes } z \text{ that have been scheduled}\}$

One DR

DT >= 0

Part I: Advantages of RAS

- Reduces mutual communications
- Reduces energy consumption
- Avoids collision, increases throughput, and reduces delay and queue overflow probability for each node



Part I: RAS Protocol at the BS

Algorithm 1 RAS protocol at the BS

- 1: Load node position information
 - 2: Calculate distance between any two nodes
 - 3: Calculate all nodes' hop distance to the BS
 - 4: Calculate the number of data to be transmitted and received at each node
 - 5: CalcSchedule() /*Algorithm 3*/
 - 6: The BS broadcasts the routing table and the schedule to all its children with high power
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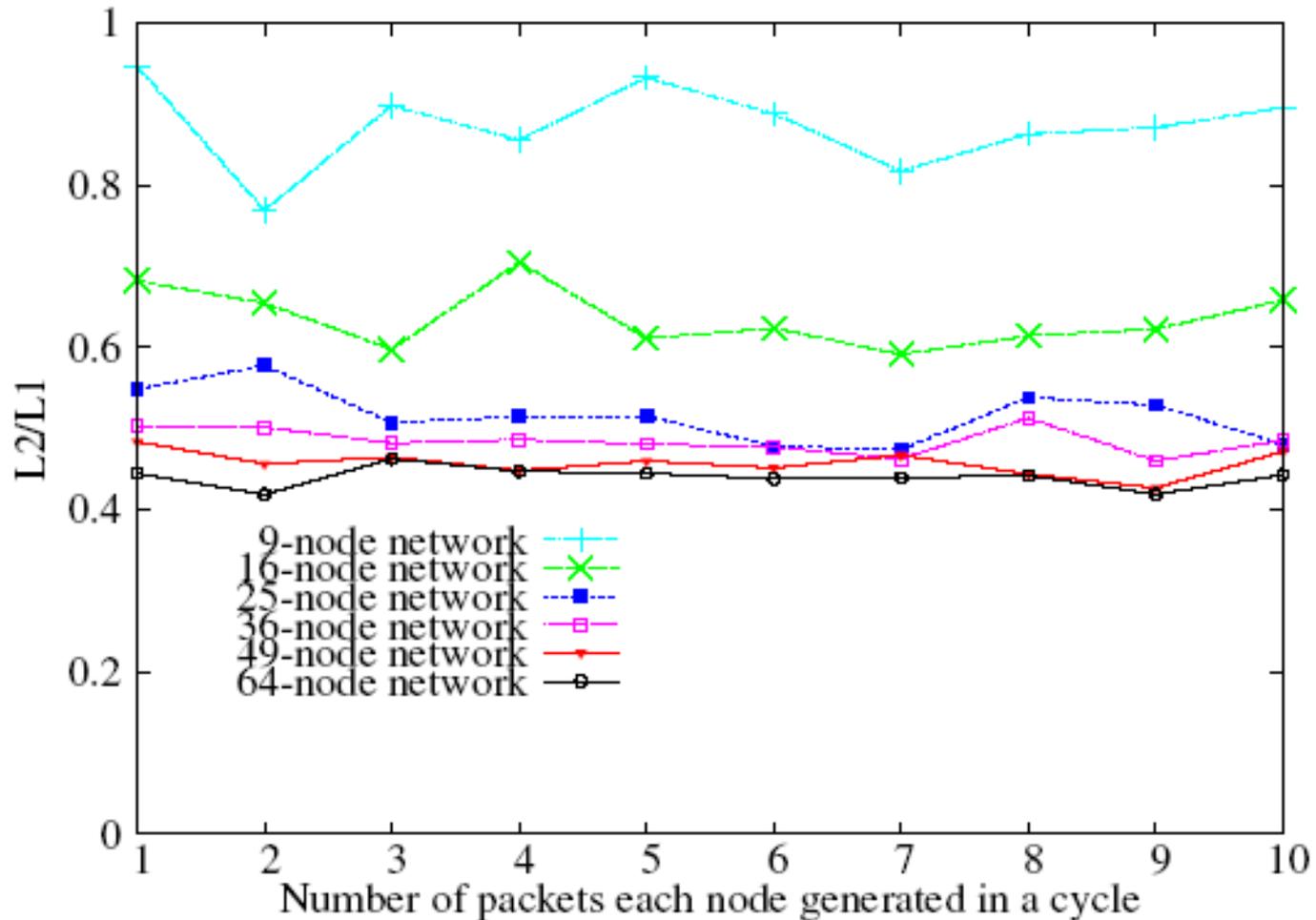
Part I: Congestion Avoidance Algorithm

Algorithm 3 CalcSchedule() function at the BS

```
1: Parent = BS; hop = 1
2: while hop ≤ maxhop do
3:   while Parent has children do
4:     while Parent has data to receive from its children do
5:       if Parent is idle in the Slot then
6:         Parent searches its entire children set to alternatively find a child
           whose transmission results in its reception at the Slot
7:         if Parent finds a suitable child then
8:           schedule the child's transmission and the related reception and
           interference
9:           break searching
10:        end if
11:       end if
12:       Parent fetches the next Slot for reception
13:     end while
14:     fetch the next Parent to schedule reception
15:   end while
16:   hop = hop + 1
17: end while
```

Performance Evaluation

- Schedule ratio: the lower bound schedule length (L_2) divided by the RAS schedule length (L_1)

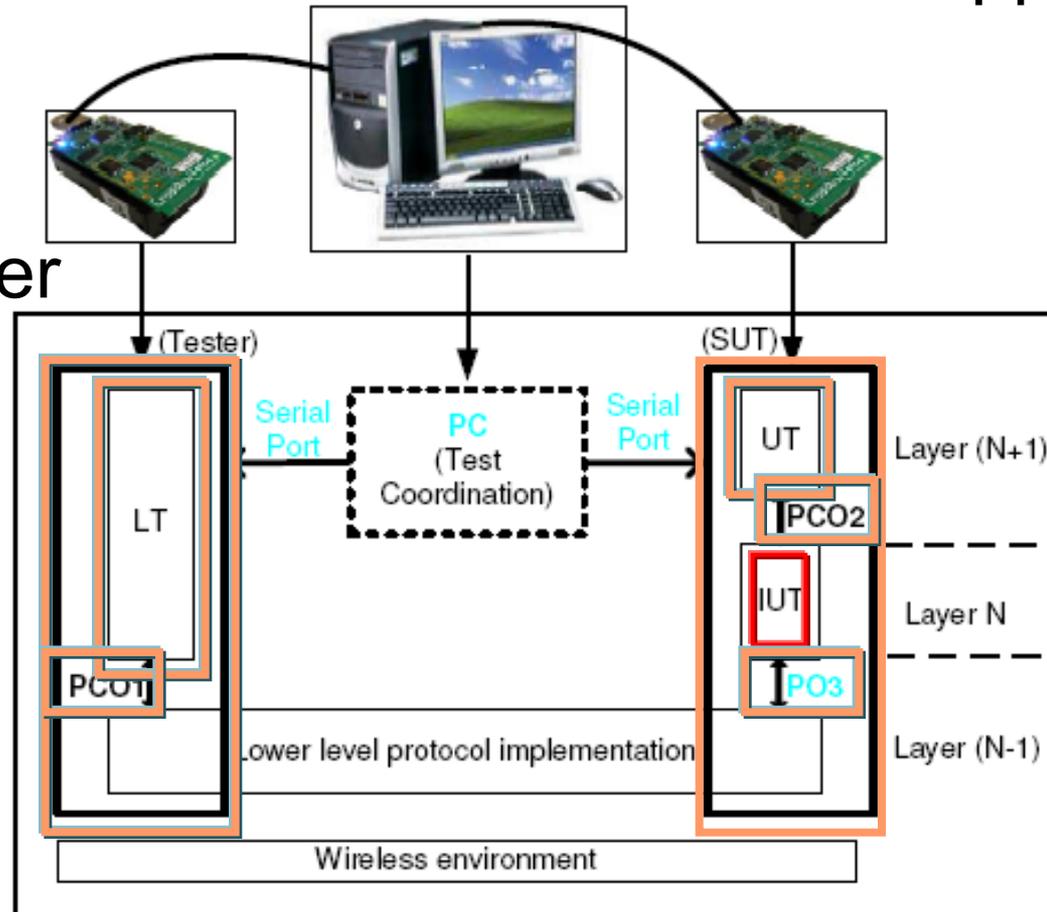


Part 2: RealProct Architecture

Point of Control & Observation SUT (System Under Test)

Upper Tester

Lower Tester



Part 2: Generality of RealProct

- RealProct provides a generic framework and universal techniques to keep the testing process the same and easy to follow:
 - Design abstract test cases according to protocol specification.
 - Translate the abstract cases into executable ones with the **virtualization techniques**.
 - The **PC** downloads each test case into **the tester** (a sensor node) in real-time to execute.
 - Control the execution times are with the **dynamic test execution algorithm**.
 - Repeat the failed test cases to help debug.

Part 2: Performance Evaluation

- Bug 2 (new) – Client (Tester) connects to unopened TCP port 0 of Server (SUT).

```
user@instant-contiki: ~/contiki-2.4/RealProct/testcase4/testcase
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help test case 4 Client
user@instant-contiki:~/contiki-2.4/RealProct/testcase4/testcase$ reset0; dump0
MSP430 Bootstrap Loader Version: 1.39-telos-7
Use -h for help
Reset device ...
connecting to /dev/ttyUSB0 (115200) [OK]
Contiki 2.4 started. Node id is not set.
Rime started with address 155.188
MAC 00:12:74:00:13:7b:bc:9b CSMA X-MAC, channel check rate 4 Hz, radio channel 26
uIP started with IP address 172.16.155.188
Starting 'Example protosocket client'
client*****
I am client with IP address 172.16.155.188
eventhandler() ev == PROCESS_EVENT_TIMER, timeout_number is 0
Print step 1
void sendSYN()
tcp packet, please print out more pkt info.
srcIP 172.16.155.188, destIP 172.16.137.204, vhl:0x45, tos:0x00, total length:0x002C, identification:0x001, ipoffset:0x0000, ttl:0x40, protocol:0x06, IPchecksum:0x21FD,
tcp_header: srcPort:1025, destPort:0, seqno:1 1 1 1 ackno:2 2 2 2 tcboffset:0x60 flag:0x02 window:0
8, TCPchecksum:0xCA15, seq:0.0, TCP_OPT_MSS option indicate MSS is:48,
eventhandler() ev == PROCESS_EVENT_TIMER, timeout_number is 1
timeout, test case fail --> Test result. Bug: Server does not reply RST when it should do so.
```

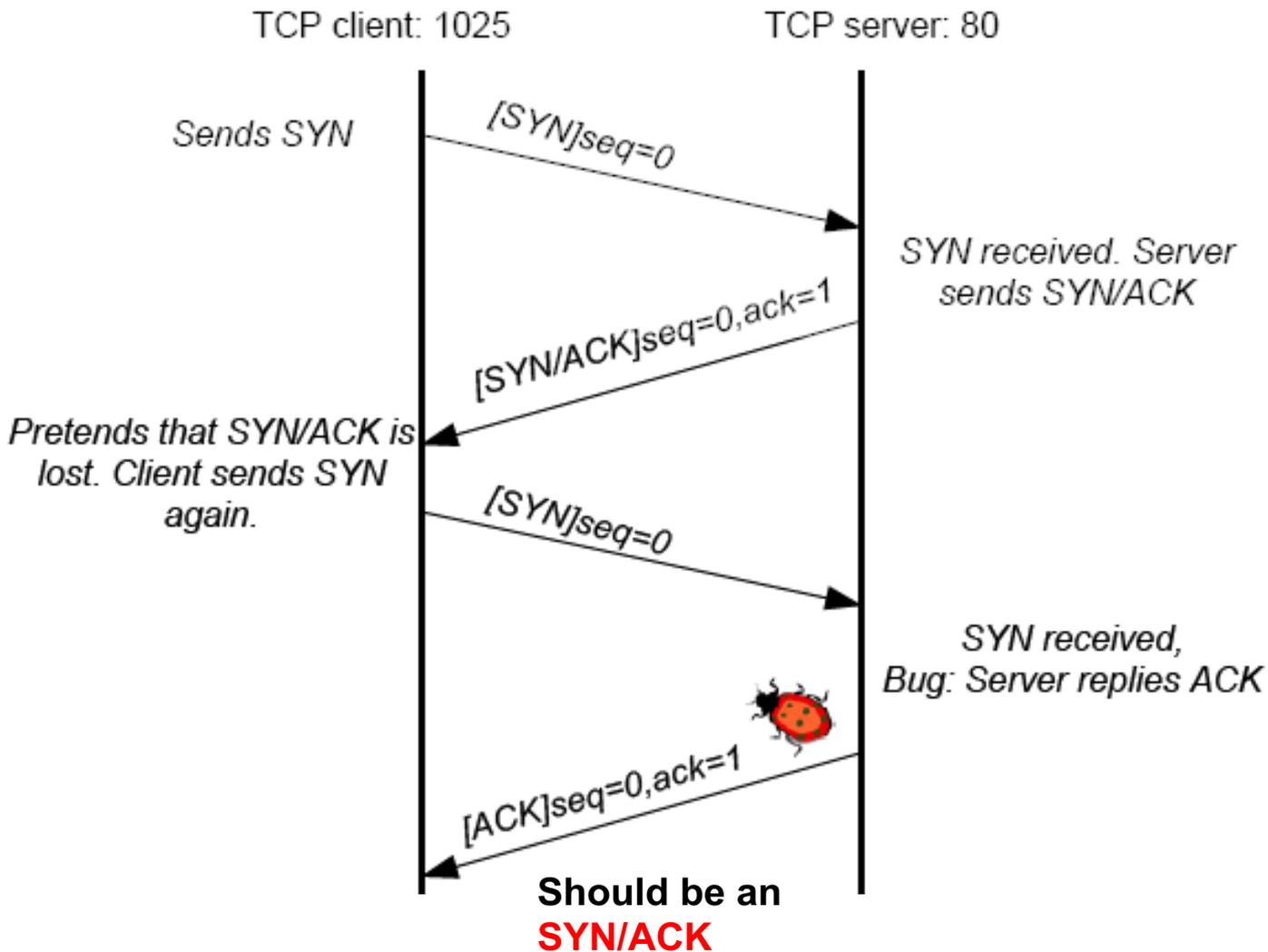
Bug: Client expects RST response while it receives no reply.

[Detailed log](#)
(Do not read it until needed in bug analysis)

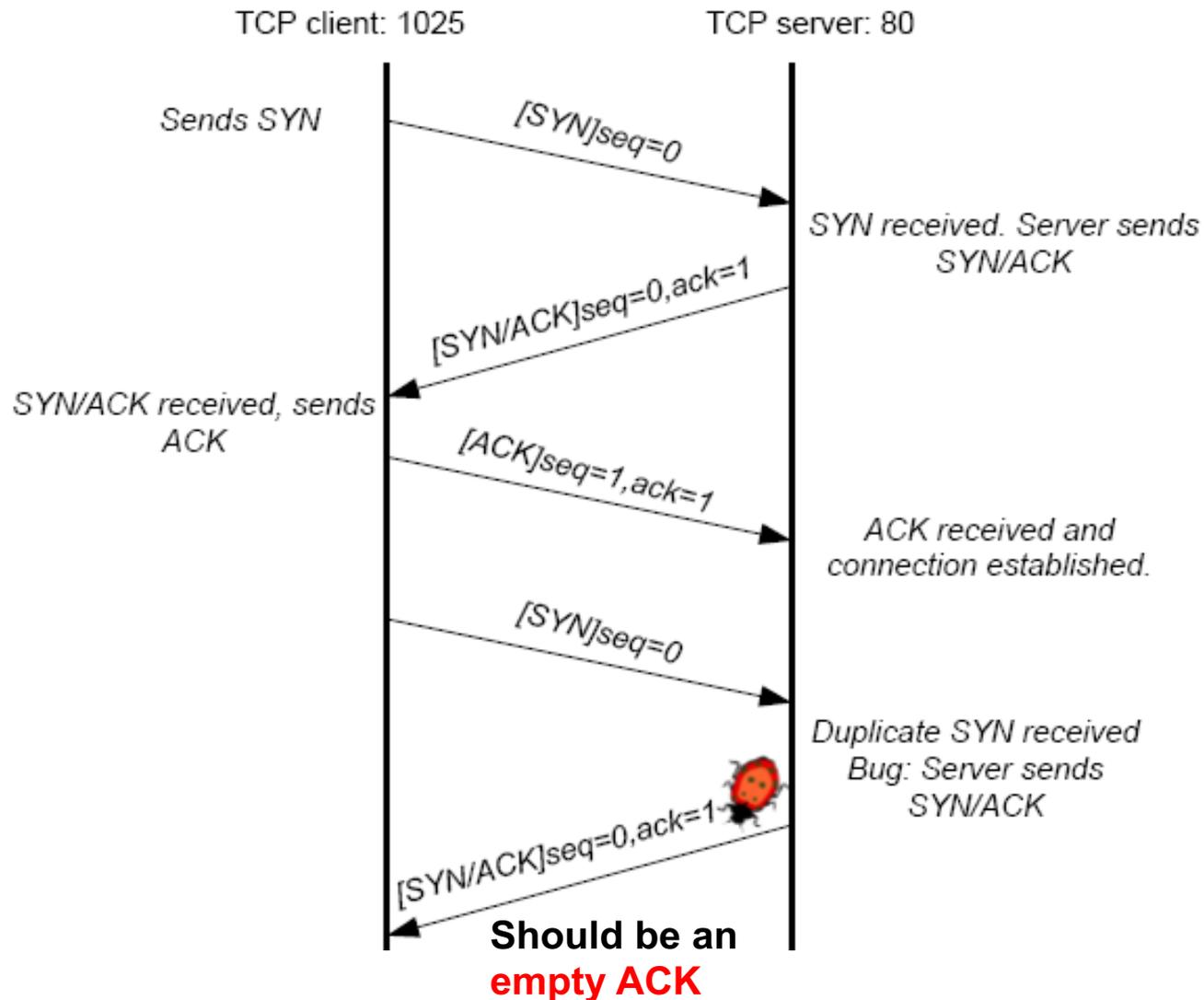
Part 2: Codes that Cause Bugs

```
1 // Make sure that the TCP port number is not zero.
2 if (BUF->destport == 0 || BUF->srcport == 0)
3 {
4     UIP_LOG("tcp: zero port.");
5     goto drop;
6 }
```

Part 2: Repeat Bug – SYN Packet Loss



Part 2: Repeat Bug – SYN Packet Duplication

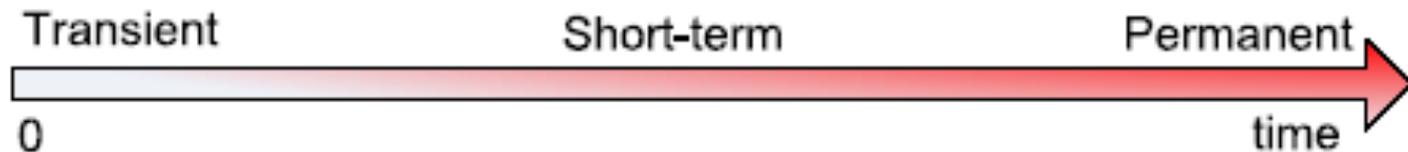


Part 2: Dynamic Test Execution

```
1: Calculate  $n_{min} = \lceil \lg_{L_0}^E \rceil, n = n_1 = n_2 = 0$ 
2: while  $n \leq n_{min}$  do
3:   Execute the test case
4:   if Execution result is pass then
5:      $n_1++$ 
6:   else
7:      $n_2++$ 
8:   end if
9: end while
10: loop
11:   if  $n_1 > n_2$ . then
12:     Calculate  $P(FN) = \binom{n}{n_1} L_0^{n_1} (1 - L_0)^{n_2}$ 
13:     if  $P(FN) \leq E$  then
14:       break //end test execution
15:     else
16:       Execute the test case and increase  $n_1$  or  $n_2$  according to the result
17:     end if
18:   else if  $n_1 < n_2$ . then
19:     Calculate  $P(FP) = \binom{n}{n_1} L_0^{n_2} (1 - L_0)^{n_1}$ 
20:     if  $P(FP) \leq E$  then
21:       break //end test execution
22:     else
23:       Execute the test case and increase  $n_1$  or  $n_2$  according to the result
24:     end if
25:   else if  $n_1 = n_2$  then
26:     Execute the test case and increase  $n_1$  or  $n_2$  according to the result
27:   end if
28: end loop
```

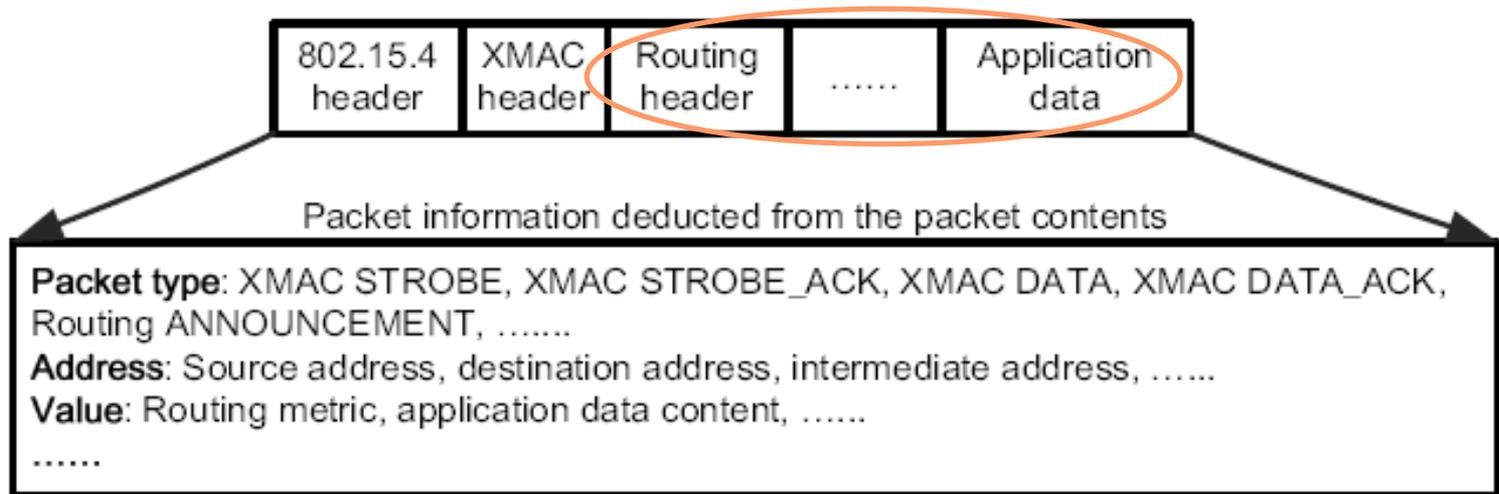
Part 3: Background - Failure Classification

- Transient failure: lasts for a very short period
 - E.g., random packet loss
- **Short-term failure**: lasts only for a longer period
 - E.g., routing failure and link failure
- **Permanent failure**: stays until fixed or for a very long period
 - E.g., node crash and incorrect resource allocation failure



Packet Decoder Input

- Input: raw packets
 - From the radio frequency chip
 - Of various types: e.g., routing packets and application data packets
 - Help **find more failures** than agent approaches that do not insert agents at all the protocol layers



Raw packet structure

Packet Decoder Output

- Output: statistical results for the failure report

For sensor node W_1 ,

W_1 has neighbors:

A, B, C,

W_1 has sent out the following types of packets to neighbor A:

XMAC STROBE count: X

XMAC STROBE_ACK count: Y

XMAC DATA count: Z

XMAC DATA_ACK count: U

Routing ANNOUNCEMENT count: V

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W_1 has send out the following types of packets to neighbor B:

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For sensor node W_2 ,

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An Example of the Statistical Rules

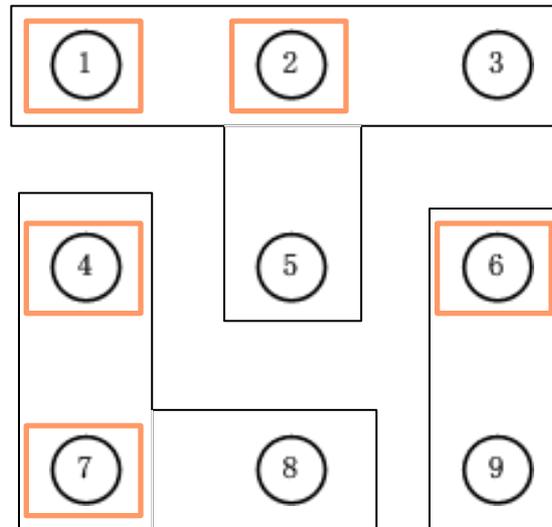
- For the data gathering application with routing protocol CTP and MAC protocol X-MAC:

Statistical rules for a typical WSN application

Layer	Statistical rules
Application layer	<u>Rule 1.</u> For BS, Z , the number of application data sent out, is 0.
Application layer	<u>Rule 2.</u> For sensor nodes other than BS, Z is within the application requirement.
Routing layer	<u>Rule 3.</u> For BS, the legal routing metric is 0.
Routing layer	<u>Rule 4.</u> For sensor nodes other than BS, routing metric value is legal.
Routing layer	<u>Rule 5.</u> For sensor nodes other than BS, no bidirectional data exchange exists, i.e., $Z * U = 0$
MAC layer	<u>Rule 6.</u> For sensor nodes other than BS, the number of each kind of MAC packets sent is normal, i.e., $Y \simeq U, X > \text{ or } \gg Z$.

Coverage-oriented Smartphone Patrol Algorithms: Maximum Snooping Efficiency Patrol (MSEP)

- Cover every sensor node
 - first find i , the sensor nodes with the minimum degree.
- Enhance the patrol set snooping efficiency by reducing small degree node selection probability
 - elect a sensor node j with the largest degree from i 's neighbor set

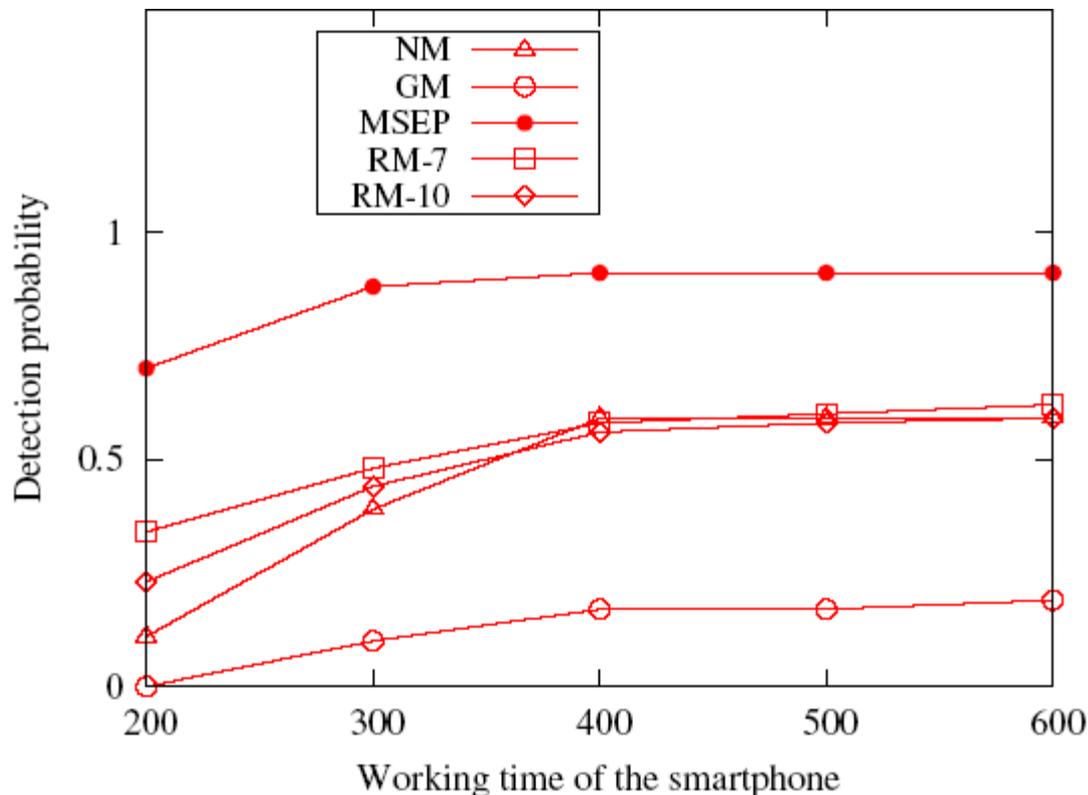


Part 3: Experiment Settings

- Sensei-UU: A Relocatable Sensor Network Testbed (2010)
 - It allows smartphones to be connected to a sensor node.

Part 3: Performance Evaluation: Short-term Failure Detection

Detection probability of AC 3 (a long and frequent AC)



Patrol set size

NM: 25

GM: 10

MSEP: 7

RM-7: 7

RM-10: 10

Patrol time

NM: 625

GM: 260

MSEP: 180

RM-7: [0,625]

RM-10: [0,625]