

Security Provision For Mobile Ad-Hoc Networks Using Ntp & Fuzzy Logic Techniques

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Abstract-Ad-hoc Networks are a new generation of networks offeringunrestricted mobility without any underlying infrastructure.Primary applications of Ad-hoc networks are in military, tacticaland other security sensitive operations, where the environment is hostile. Hence, security is a critical issue. Due to the nature of Adhocnetworks, conventional security measures cannot be used.New techniques of security measures are essential for highsurvivability networks. The performance of the network will be severely affected, in the presence of compromised nodes, which cause undetermined and unpredictable complex failures. This project is mainly to identify the misbehaviors caused by some malicious node for NTP (Node Transition Probability) protocol, and eliminate them from the network. The performance analysis is done based upon two cases .In first case the complete network topology is studied and based upon it a threshold value is fixed to detect the malicious activity and eliminate it. In the second case a fuzzy model is introduced so that automation of threshold can be done for anomaly detection of malicious nodes in network with varying topology. In contrast to the case one -- intrusion detection models for ad hoc networks we have implemented an efficient and bandwidth-conscious framework that takes into distributed nature of ad hoc wireless network management and decision policies.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Ad-hoc networks demand a protocol completely different from those used for wired and infrastructured wireless networks. Ad-hoc networks have their own requirements and constraints and require a protocol that takes into account these issues and provide reliable communication under such constraints. This section explains the protocol aspects for ad-hoc mobile networks. In particular, it reveals what are the problems associated with routing in such networks. Although several routing schemes have been proposed, most of them are modified extensions of existing link-state or distance-vector based routing protocols. However, in an ad-hoc mobile network where mobile hosts are acting as routers and have both power and bandwidth constraints, conventional protocols that employ periodic broadcast are unlikely to be suitable. A novel routing scheme is required to provide efficient and high throughput communication among mobile adhoc networks (MANET).

The new routing protocol-NTP that was proposed determines routes based on the probability that the nodes lie within the host node's proximity for a longer time thereby improving the stability of the route. The objective is to enhance the security issues of the NTP protocol.

II. NTP

The proposed a new routing scheme called Node Transition Probability (NTP) based routing, which uses less control packets to determine the routes between two nodes. The proposed algorithm adapts quickly to routing changes when host movement is frequent. NTP based routing algorithm, which determines route using the received power at a particular node from all other nodes. In this algorithm, a node floods a control packet only if there is no neighbor table and has data to send. The neighbor table is computed based on the received replies and we choose the node, which is replied with maximum power for more times as neighbor. By choosing the neighbor table route table is computed for the Source-Destination pair. The performance of this algorithm is studied for various scenarios and compared their performance such as throughput, control overhead and end to end delay with an existing routing protocol. The performance results show that this algorithm maximizes the bandwidth during heavy traffic with less overhead.

A. The Fuzzy Approach

In this paper the traffic pattern of the Node transition based probability protocol is to be established in terms of fuzzy logic parameters. For fuzzification process 'max' method is used and for defuzzification process 'Mirror rule' is applied. We define the traffic levels to be low level, medium level and high level based upon the crisp value of the fuzzy security model. Intrusion detection is an important but complex task for an adhoc network. Many Artificial intelligent techniques have been widely used in intrusion detection systems. There are two main reasons for introducing fuzzy logic for intrusion detection. First, many quantitative features are involved in intrusion detection. Fuzzy set theory provides a reasonable and efficient way to categorize these quantitative features in order to establish high level patterns. Second, security itself is fuzzy. For quantitative features, there is no sharp delineation between normal operations and anomalies. Fuzzy episode rules allow one to create the high-level sequential patterns representing

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normal behavior. With fuzzy spaces, fuzzy logic allows an object to belong to different classes at the same time. This concept is helpful when the difference between classes is not well defined. This is the case in the intrusion detection task, where the differences between the normal and abnormal classes are not well defined. Thus the intrusion detection problem (IDP) is a two-class classification problem: the goal is to classify patterns of the system behavior in two categories (normal and abnormal), using patterns of known attacks, which belongs to the abnormal class, and patterns of normal behavior. In fuzzy logic, fuzzy sets define the linguistic notions, and membership functions define the truth-value of such linguistic expressions.

B. Fuzzy Algorithm

We can determine the crisp value for the different traffic range of the mobile nodes based upon the quality of service parameters for the given Node

Transition Probability protocol [6]

Input (1) ----- Queue length (QL)

Input (2) ----- Data rate (DR)

Input (3) ----- Item size (IT)

Range of the Input levels

Now based upon the input levels selected the 'Rule base' is sorted output for various traffic levels. Membership graph for the three levels of input is shown in the figure 2.5.1.

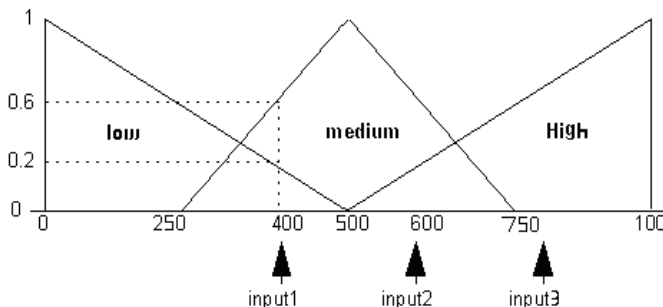


Figure: 2.2.1: Membership graph for the three levels of input.

Rule base:

With respect to the different levels of input traffic the rule base for the fuzzy model is framed as low-level, medium-level and high-level and is shown in table 2.5.1, 2.5.2 and 2.5.3 respectively.

Low level:

Rules	Queue length	Data rate	Item size	Traffic range
Rule1	Low	Low	Low	Low
Rule2	Low	Low	High	Low
Rule3	Low	Low	Medium	Low
Rule4	Low	Medium	High	Low
Rule5	Low	High	Low	Low
Rule6	Low	Medium	Low	Low
Rule7	Low	High	Medium	Low
Rule8	High	Low	Low	Low
Rule9	Medium	Low	Low	Low

Table: 2.2.1 Rule Base for low level range

Medium Level

Rules	Queue length	Data rate	Item size	Traffic range
Rule10	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Rule11	Medium	Medium	Low	Medium
Rule12	Medium	Medium	High	Medium
Rule13	Medium	Low	High	Medium
Rule14	Medium	Low	Medium	Medium
Rule15	Medium	High	Medium	Medium
Rule16	Medium	High	Low	Medium
Rule17	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium
Rule18	High	Medium	Medium	Medium

Table: 2.2.2 Rule Base for Medium level range

High level

Rules	Queue length	Data rate	Item size	Traffic range
Rule19	High	High	High	High
Rule20	High	High	Low	High
Rule21	High	High	Medium	High
Rule22	High	Medium	Low	High
Rule23	High	Low	High	High
Rule24	High	Medium	High	High
Rule25	High	Low	Medium	High
Rule26	Low	High	High	High
Rule27	Medium	High	High	High

Table: 2.2.3 Rule Base for High level range

Thus for the three input parameters queue length, data rate and the packet size we have framed 27 rules for determining the crisp value. Now based upon the crisp value output the threshold parameter associated with respect to the traffic pattern in any routing protocol can be changed to achieve desired flow

control. The Intrusion detection model and the intrusion response model can be improved using this 'crisp value' to reduce the malicious node activity in the given 'MANET'. The fuzzy logic parameters can be selected as the packet size, queue length of the data packets, data rate, power margin of nodes, and mobility range of nodes etc., In this paper queue length, data rate, packet size are taken as the fuzzy parameters, a rule base is formed based upon these parameters. The rule base has three level of ranges based upon the fuzzy parameters selected to determine the crisp value of the traffic range for the given Node Transition Probability model. Now, this fuzzy approach for security enhancement of NTP protocol is the main source for the IDM & IRM model.

C. Algorithm For Intrusion Detection Model

The node sends to neighboring node an intrusion (or anomaly) state request. Each node (including the initiation node) then propagates the state information, indicating the likelihood of an intrusion or anomaly, to its immediate neighbors. Each node then determines whether the majority of the received reports indicate an intrusion or anomaly; if yes, then it concludes that the network is under attack.

Any node that detects an intrusion to the network can then initiate the response procedure.

A node identifies that another node is compromised, when its malcount exceeds the crisp value of the fuzzy approach or threshold value as for (case-1) for allegedly compromised node. In such cases, it propagates this information to the entire network by transmitting a Mal packet. If other nodes also suspect that the node, which has been detected, is compromised, it reports its suspicion to the network by transmitting a ReMal packet.

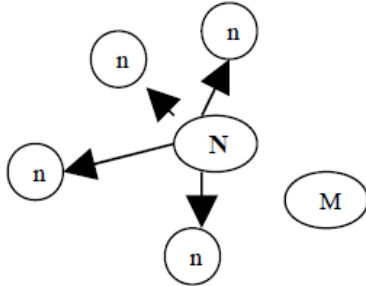


Figure: 2.6.1 Generation of mal Packets

The rationales behind this scheme are as follows. Audit data from other nodes cannot be trusted and should not be used because the compromised nodes can send falsified data. However, the compromised nodes have no incentives to send reports of intrusion, anomaly because the intrusion response may result in their expulsion from the network. Therefore, unless the majority of the nodes are compromised, in which case one of the legitimate nodes will probably be able to detect the intrusion with strong evidence and will respond, the above scheme can detect intrusion even when the evidence at individual nodes is weak.

D. Algorithm For Intrusion Response Model

The following steps are taken after a purge packet is sent to all nodes regarding the malicious node:

- i. All the nodes in the network are made aware of the malicious node.
- ii. All the data, control packets from the purged node is dropped.
- iii. A signal for route table entry modification is sent to all the nodes.
- iv. The purged node is deleted from the neighbor table and seen table for the neighbor nodes.

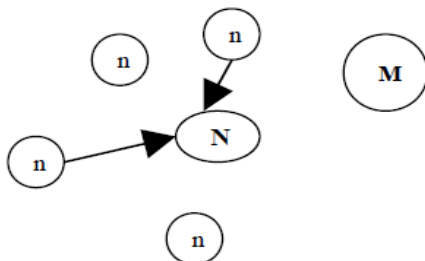


Figure: 2.8.1. Generation of Re-Mal packet by the nodes

E. Implementation

The proposed security measures were implemented using GloMoSim as the simulator. The implementation part consists of following steps:

i. Creation of Malicious Nodes

Out of N nodes in the network 20% of the nodes were made malicious. In the network the malicious nodes are the nodes, which generate more of RouteRequests than the normal value [3]. These nodes were selected randomly. Normally the nodes generate route requests when data is present in their buffer and a proper route to the destination is not known. The randomly selected nodes were made to generate more number of route requests irrespective of their buffer and route discovery status. Each malicious node in the network generates a variable number of route requests to another randomly. The above said IDSIRS operations are done cooperatively by a group of nodes when the confidence percentage level is very low. When the confidence level is very high the alleged node is directly purged from the network increasing the efficiency of the model and thereby decreasing the time taken for the detection and response modules incorporated. Thus the mal nodes are identified through the proposed security model.

III. PERFORMANCE METRICS

A. Control Overhead

The number of control packets transmitted for every data packet is noted down. Each hop of the routing packet is treated as a packet. The following graph shows that the malicious nodes increase the routing load of the network as they generate the false route requests and thereby increasing the number of control packets for each data packet transmitted. After implementing the proposed security model, it considerably decreases the routing load by identifying the malicious nodes and eliminating them from the network and bringing the network near to normal NTP protocol. The performance metrics of control overhead Vs Pause Time is shown in the figure 3.1.

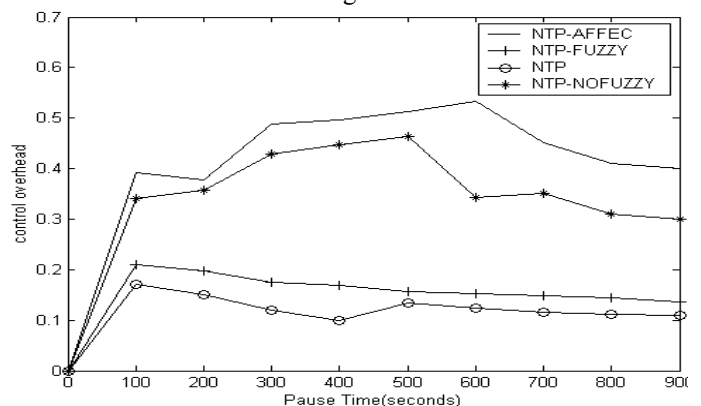


Figure 3.1: Control Overhead Vs Pause Time

B. Packet Delivery Fraction

This is the ratio of CBR packets delivered to that generated and is measured as throughput. For different pairs of the source destination pair corresponding throughput is noted down. The throughputs for the NTP affected with malicious nodes are less when compared with ordinary NTP protocol. After incorporating the fuzzy approach the throughput is getting increased. Thus we prove that fuzzy approach is better than direct assignment of threshold for anomaly detection. The performance metrics of throughput Vs Source-Destination Pair is shown in the figure 3.2.

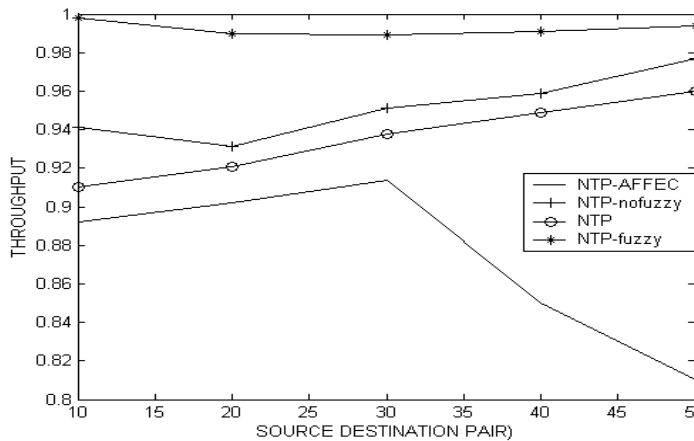


Figure 3.2: Throughput Vs Source-Destination Pair

C. Mobility

For different ranges of mobility the graph is plotted. The system performance has been observed in the presence of malicious nodes and measured. The performance enhancement is due to the implemented model. In the simulation misbehaving node generates false route requests. So the corresponding packet delivery decreases for it. The performance metrics of Packet delivery Vs Mobility is shown in the figure 3.3.

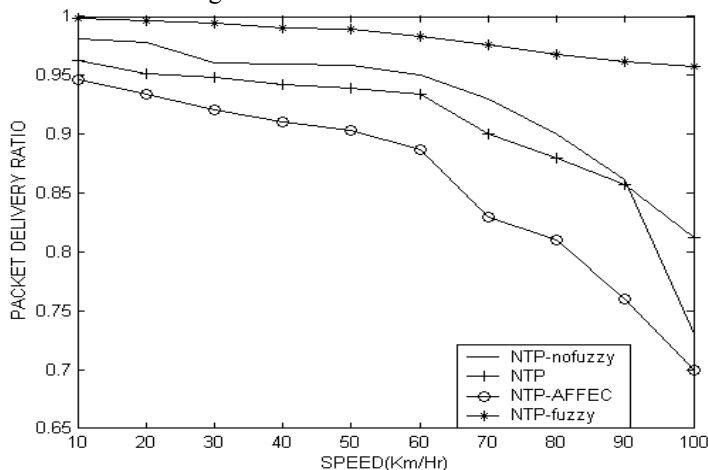


Figure 3.3: Packet Delivery ratio Vs Mobility

D. Average End To End Delay

This is the average of delays incurred by all packets that are successfully transmitted. The following graph shows that the malicious nodes in the network has phenomenally increased the end-to-end delay of the network compared to the normal network as the nodes forward the false RREQs to other nodes and thereby increasing the overall time to process the control packets. The performance metrics of delay Vs Pause Time is shown in the figure 3.4.

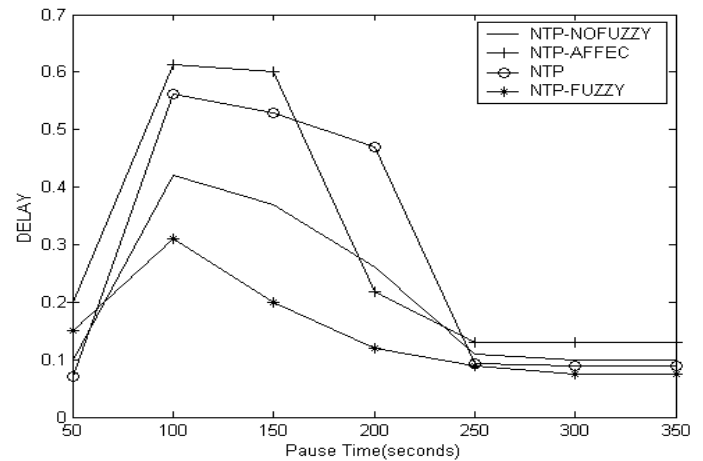


Figure 3.4: Delay Vs Pause Time

After incorporating the fuzzy security scheme the end-to-end delay is brought down to near normal network as intruder nodes are identified and their activities are restricted and intruder nodes are eliminated from the network.

IV. CONCLUSION

The distributed false route request problem increases end-to-end delay, routing overhead and decreasing the throughput and overall efficiency of the network. Our solution to this problem as successfully eliminated the intruder nodes and has brought the network performance near to the normalcy. The performance characteristics of network depicted in the graphs prove this statement.

V. FUTURE WORK

The future work of the paper is to extend the fuzzy automation for the security enhancement of the NTP protocol in terms of power margin and Noise margin.

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