



On the Use of Transmission Power Control for Energy-Efficient MANET Services

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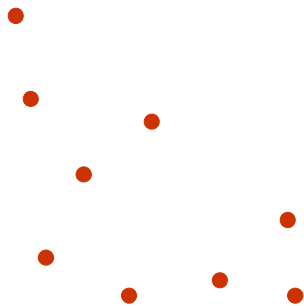
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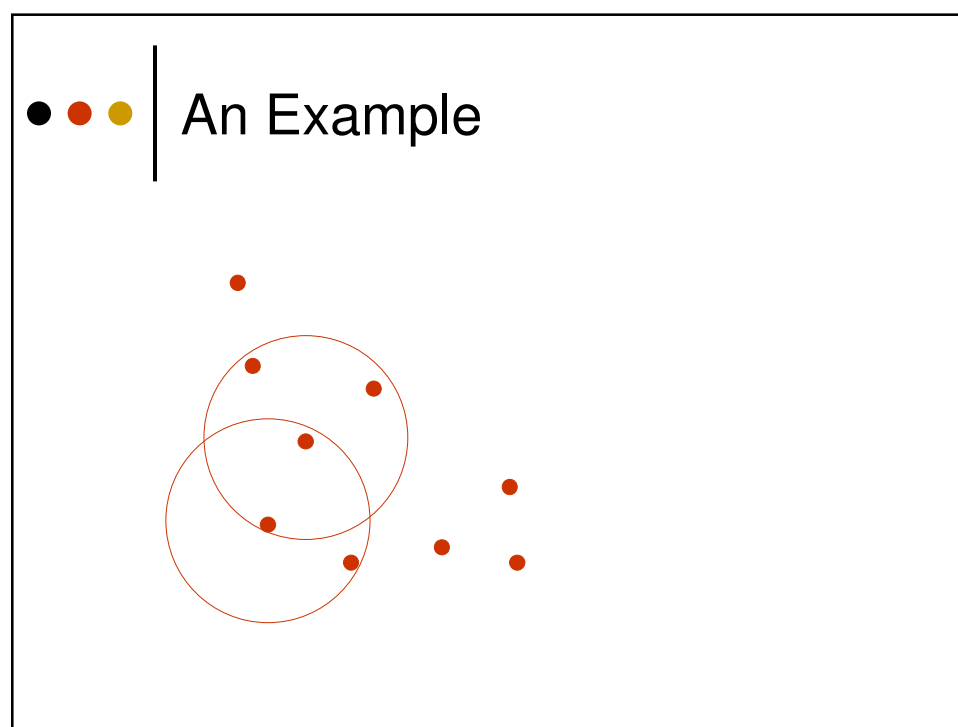
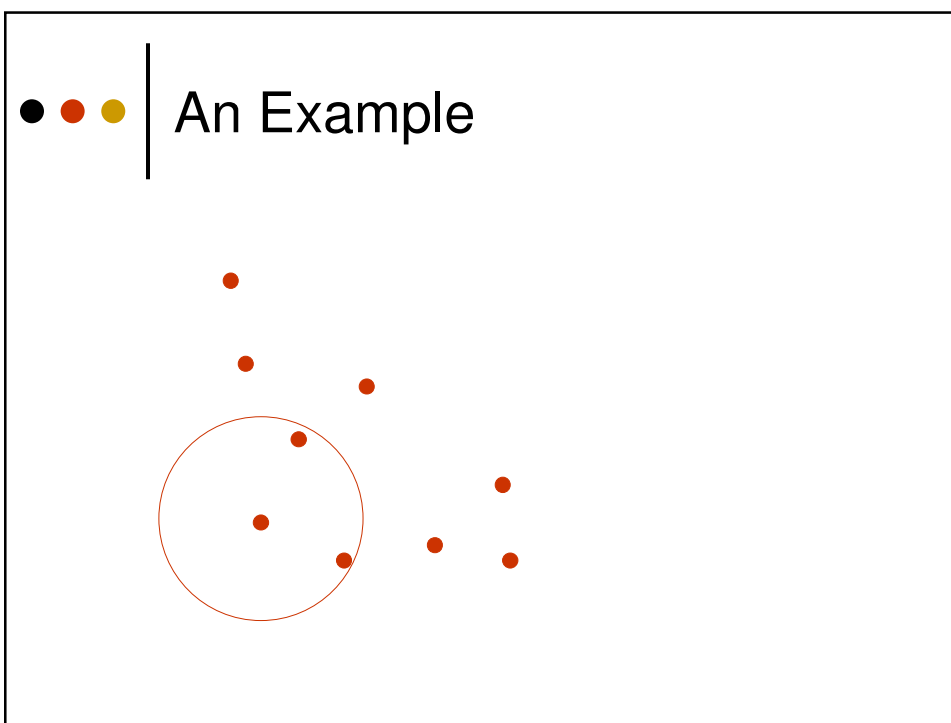
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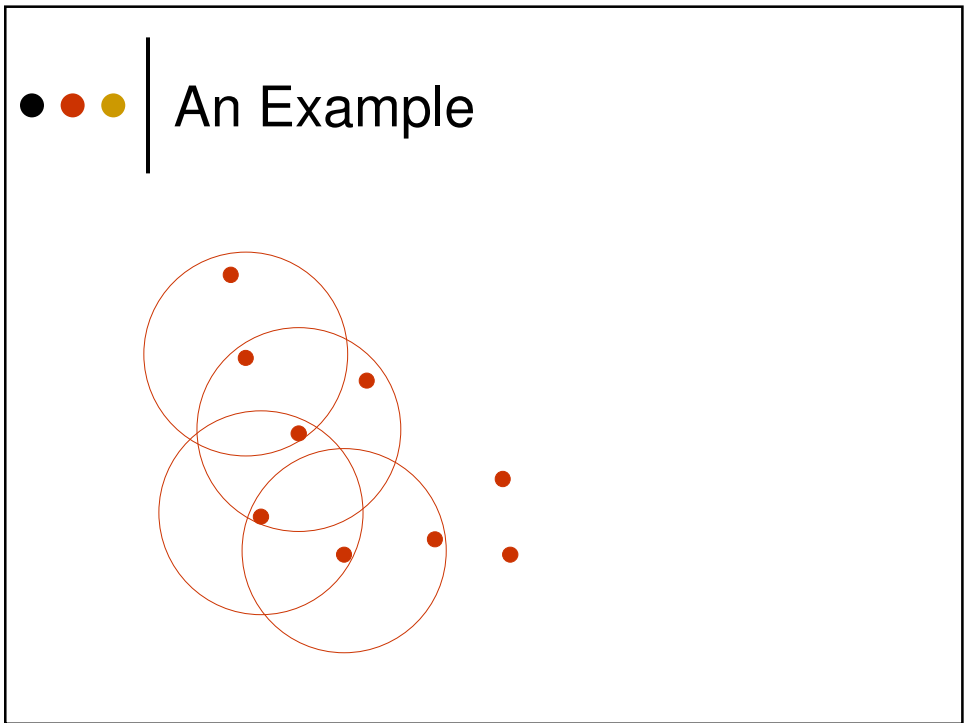
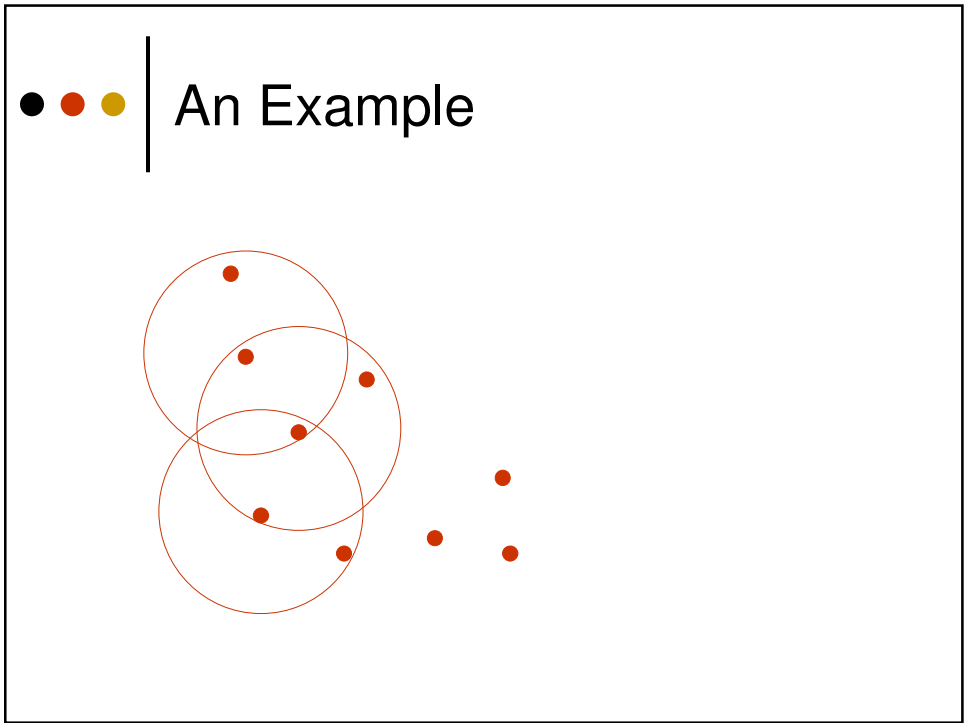
● ● ● | Motivation

- An old(er) problem.
 - Provide distribution of TV/radio broadcasts using relay stations on mountaintops.
- The new twist.
 - Provide broadcast/multicast services in collections of mobile ad hoc networks (MANETs).

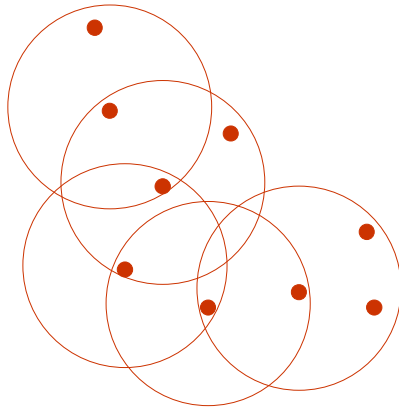
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● ● ● | Mobile Ad-Hoc Networks (MANETs)

- Infrastructure-less wireless communication.
- Multi-hop routing.
- Equal properties/responsibilities of nodes.
- *Why MANETs?*

● ● ● | Broadcast (Multicast) Service

- Deliver data to all (some) of the nodes.
 - Multicast treated as a sub-case of broadcast.
- Why Broadcast/Multicast?
 - It is an *elementary* service, i.e., many applications require broadcast:
 - Resource Discovery
 - Paging/Registration
 - Certain Unicast Routing Algorithms

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● ● ● | Control of Transmission Power

- Four Possible Objectives

- Minimization of Interference
- Minimization of Energy Consumption
- Localization (Reduction) of Congestion
- Maintenance of Connectivity

● ● ● | Energy-Efficiency Objective

- Form a minimum-energy broadcast tree.
 - Rooted at a specific source.
- *The wireless “advantage”*
 - A single transmission received by many nodes.



Wired vs. Wireless Broadcast

Wired Broadcast Cost: $\sum_i c_i$



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Wireless Broadcast Cost: $\sum_j \max_i (c_i)$

● ● ● | Transmission Energy Cost

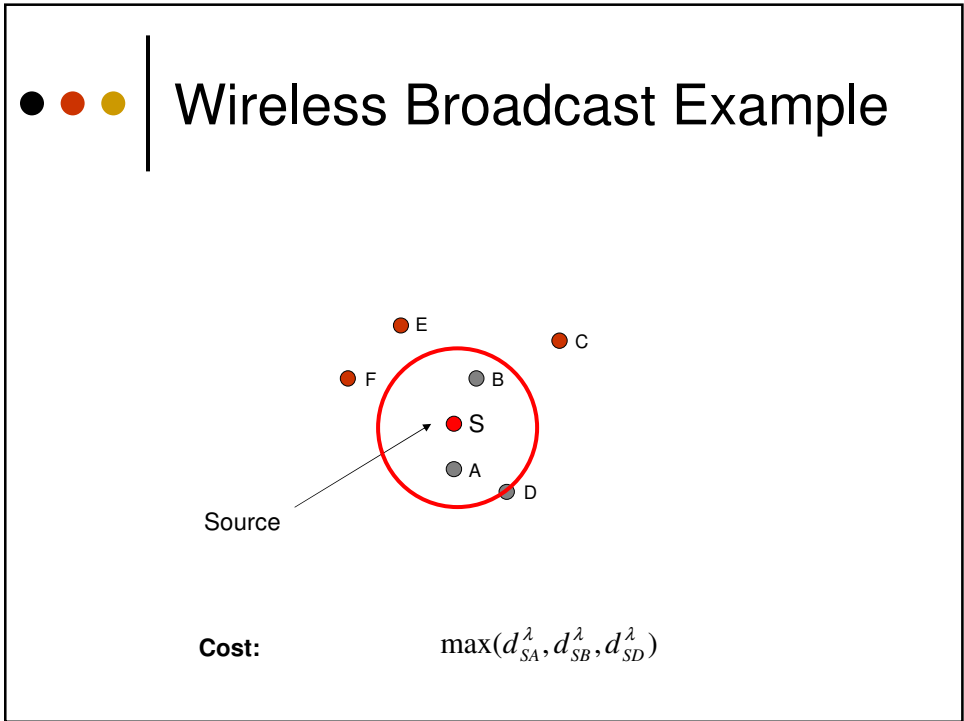
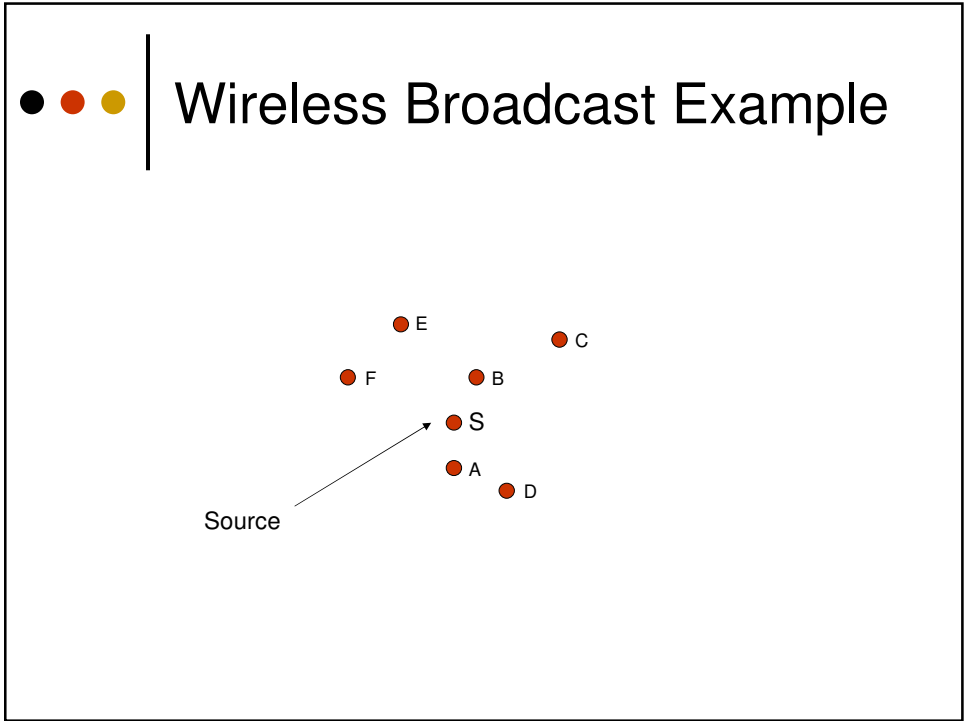
$$c_i = c_{XY} \approx d_{XY}^{\lambda}$$

$$(2 \leq \lambda \leq 5)$$

● ● ● | Technicalities & Assumptions

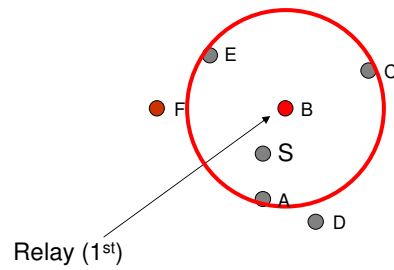
- Quasi-Static Topology
- Acquisition of Cost/Distance Information
 - Passive
 - Measurement of Signal Strength +
 - Transmission Power Info
 - Active
 - Neighborhood Discovery +
 - Quantized Emission Power Levels

(Sufficient to establish emission power vs. reachable subset association.)





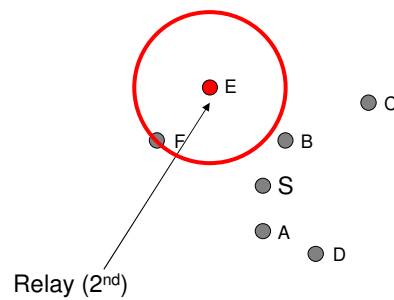
Wireless Broadcast Example



Cost: $\max(d_{SA}^\lambda, d_{SB}^\lambda, d_{SD}^\lambda) + \max(d_{BE}^\lambda, d_{BC}^\lambda)$



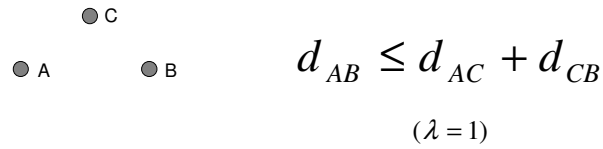
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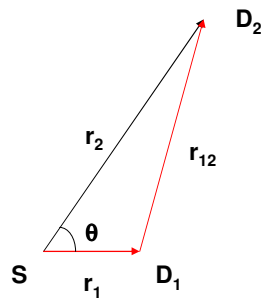
Complication: Lack of Triangle Inequality



Observation: It is generally better (less cost) to use multiple relays.



The Triangle

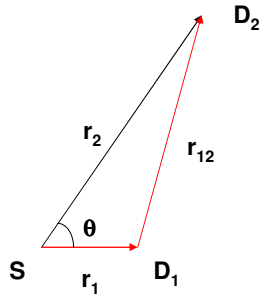


Inverse square of distance cost:

1. Transmit directly to D_2
 - If $r_1 > r_2 \cos \theta$
2. Transmit to D_1 , then D_1 to D_2
 - otherwise



The Triangle (cont.)



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Inverse λ -power ($\lambda > 2$) of distance cost:

1. Transmit directly to D_2
 - $x^\lambda - 1 < (1 + x^2 - 2x \cos \theta)^{\lambda/2}$
 - $x = r_2/r_1$
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 - otherwise



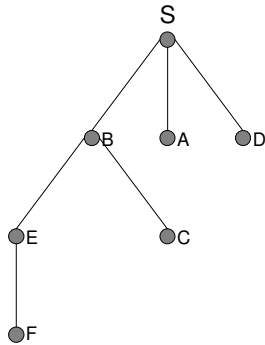
Minimum Energy Broadcast (MEB)

- An NP-hard problem in both its general form and “geometric” form.
- A quick-and-dirty search space upper bound:

$$N^{N-2}$$



The Implicit Tree



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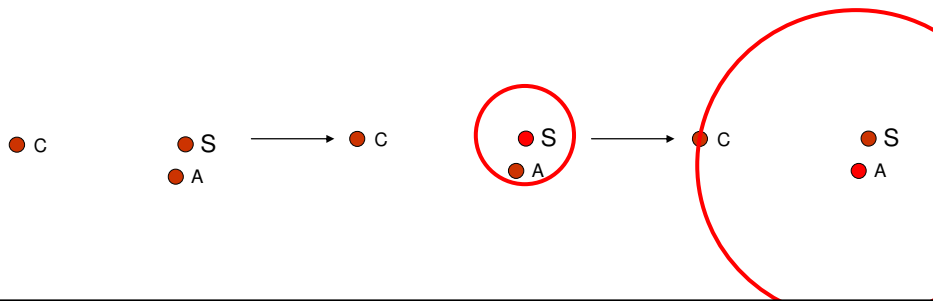


A (Not Surprising) Fact

Greedy Link-based Algorithms Can Fail Miserably

e.g. Minimum Spanning Tree (no wireless “advantage” exploited)

In general, local optimality is a trap.

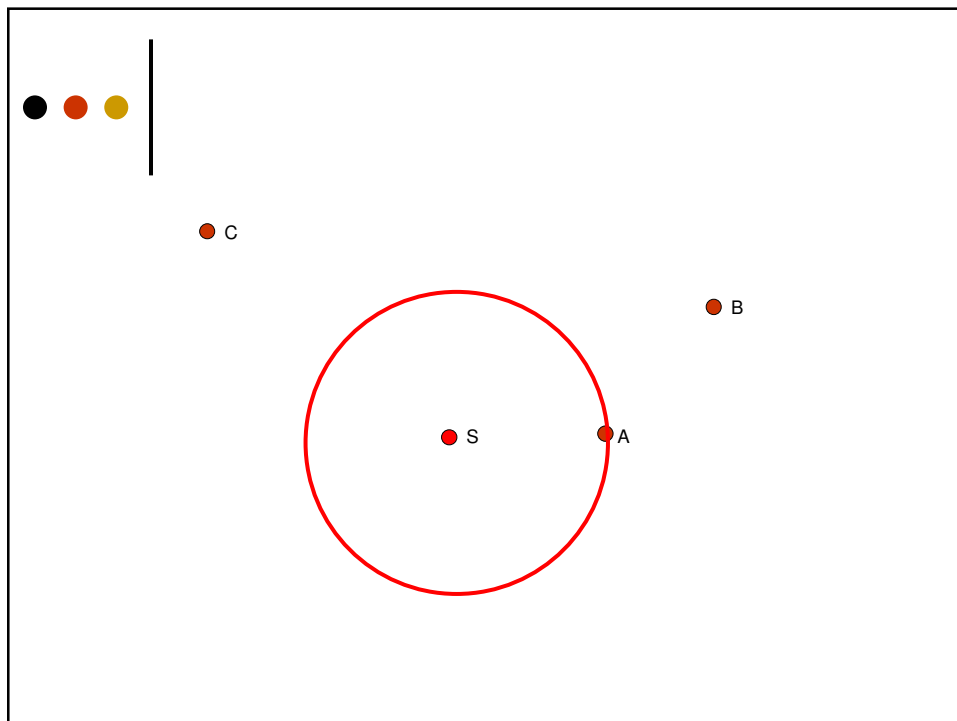


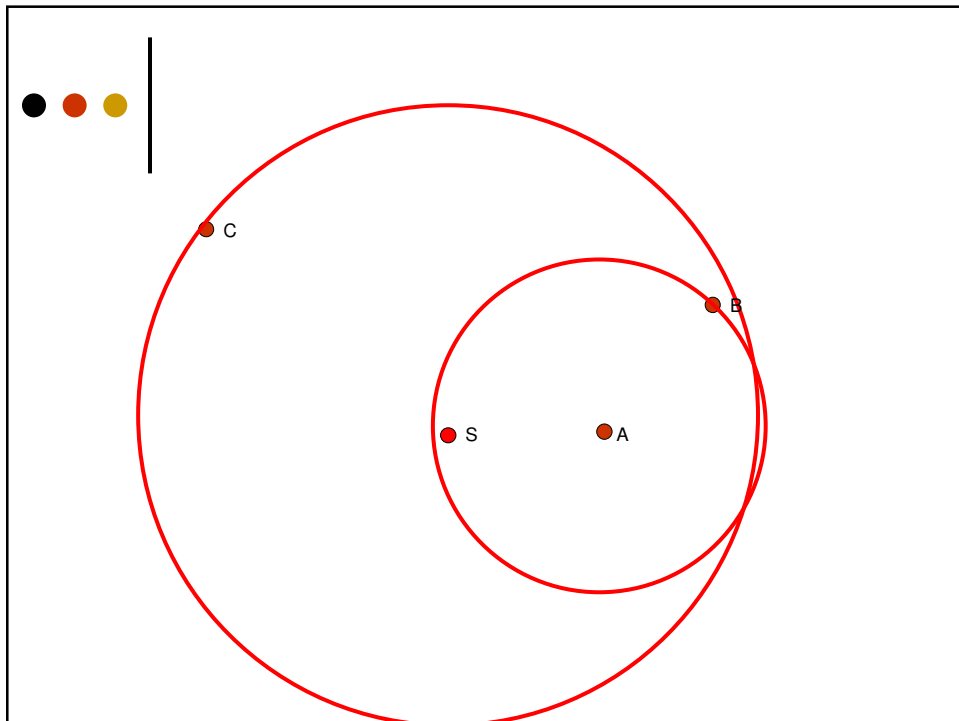
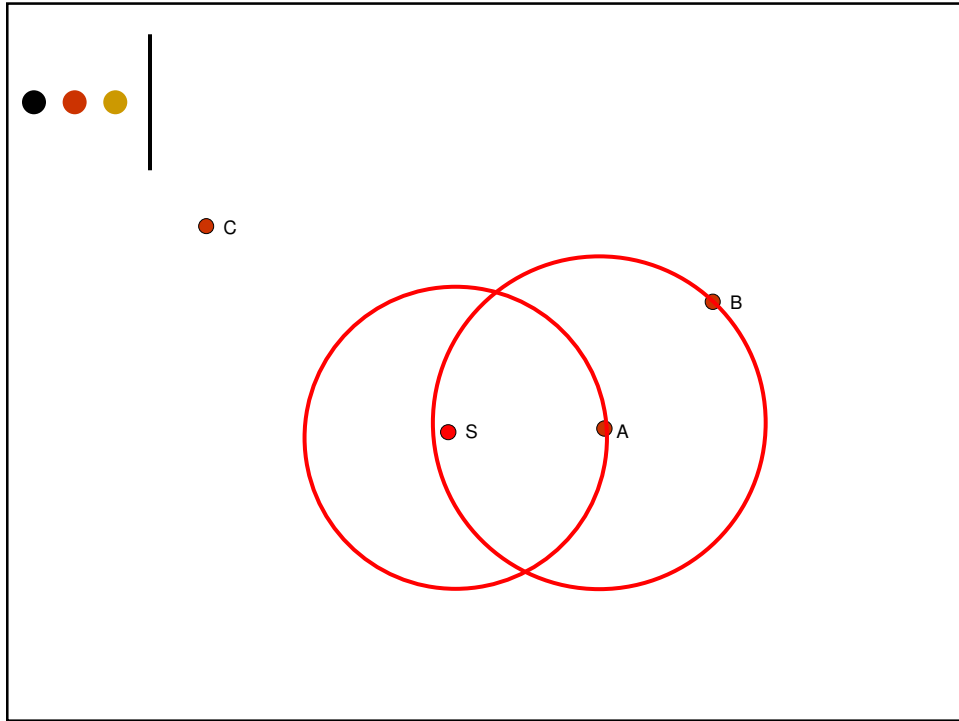
BIP: Broadcast Incremental Power [WNE01]

- o A modification to Prim’s algorithm.
 - Vertices instead of edges.
 - Add vertex (node) that requires the *least additional power*.
 - Additional power = either extension of the range of an already admitted vertex, or relay of a station already reachable but not yet relaying.
- o An incremental algorithm
 - Start with single vertex (source).
 - Add vertices until all are added.

● ● ● | A Pathology of BIP

- By adding vertices (hence adjusting transmission ranges), it is possible that a set of nodes becomes reachable by more than one relay transmission.
 - Perform a “sweep” operation to reduce unnecessary transmissions.





● ● ● | Except for BIP

MST (BLiMST)

Prim's algorithm (edge-wise).

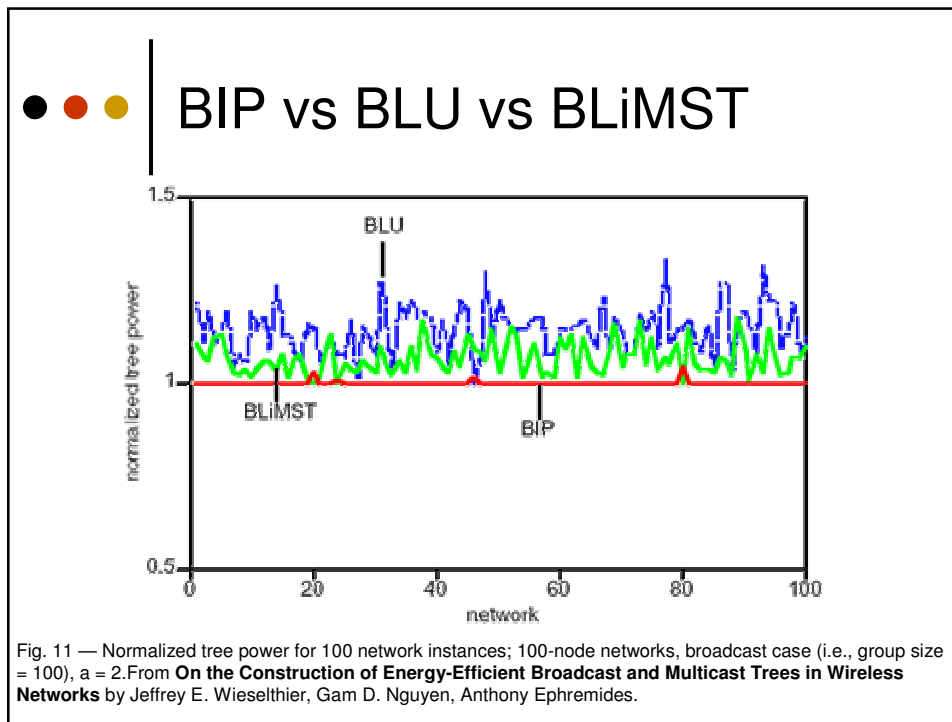
SPT (BLU)

Single source shortest path union.

● ● ● | Previous Results

○ In increasing performance:

- SPT (BLU)
- MST (BLiMST)
- BIP



- ● ● | Sidebar: Multicasting
- Same as broadcasting.
 - Eliminate nodes (leaves and interior) that do not participate in the multicast group.
 - Rather simple-minded approach.
 - The fixed-network alternative is at least a Steiner tree problem – not much hope on that side either.



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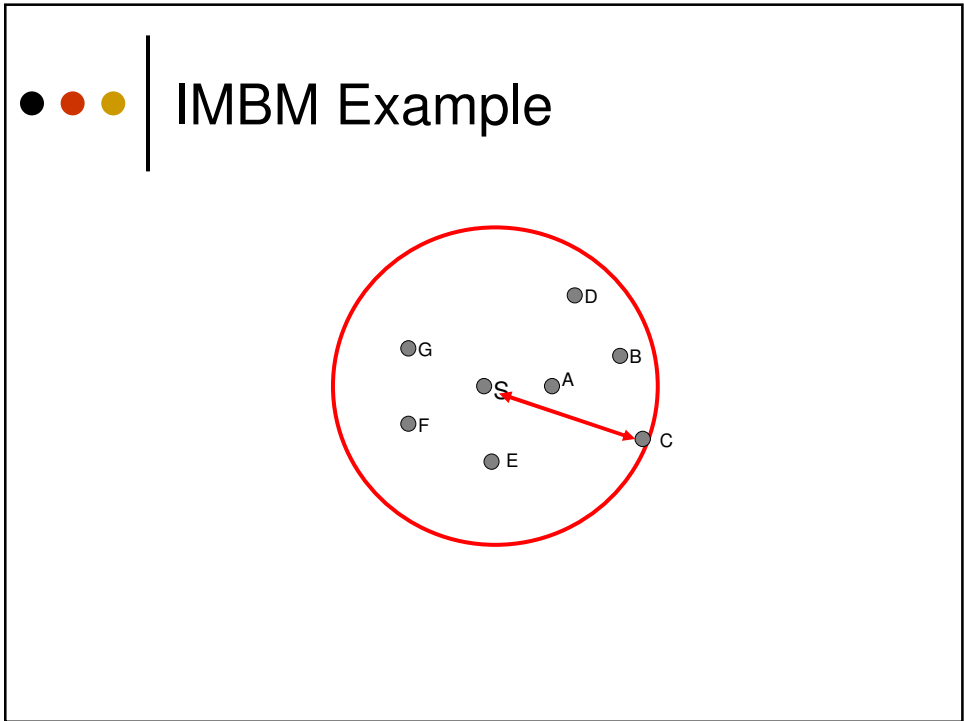
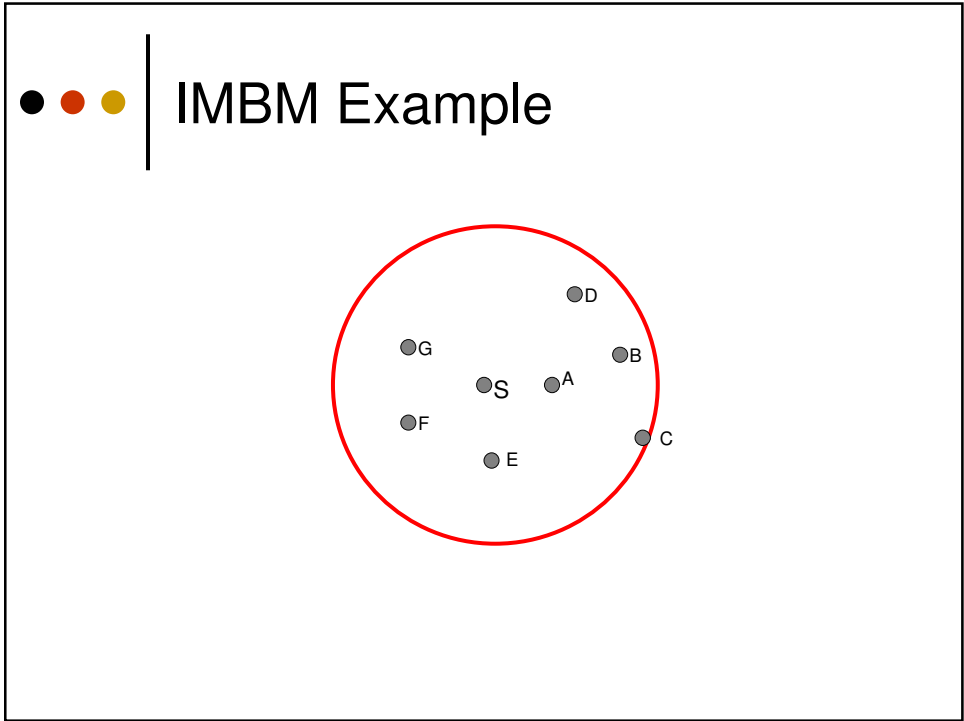
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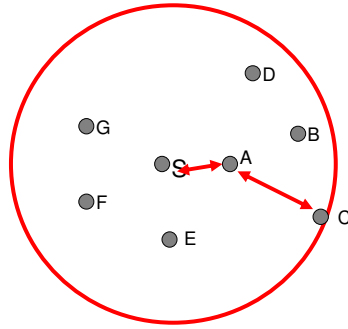
Iterative Maximum-Branch Minimization (IMBM)

1. Form initial (trivial) tree.
2. *Pick* a relay X , and the node Y with max. cost (on the edge of X 's transmission) such that:
 1. Possible to replace the direct XY path with an intermediate relay node (e.g, Z).
 2. Exploit the existence of the new intermediate relay, Z , to reduce costs of other relays even further.
3. Stop when not possible to improve total cost.

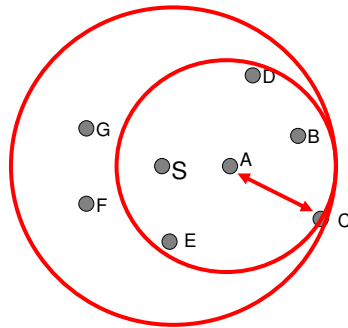
(*Pick*: randomly between all XZ pairs where the combined 2.1+2.2 reduces the overall tree cost).

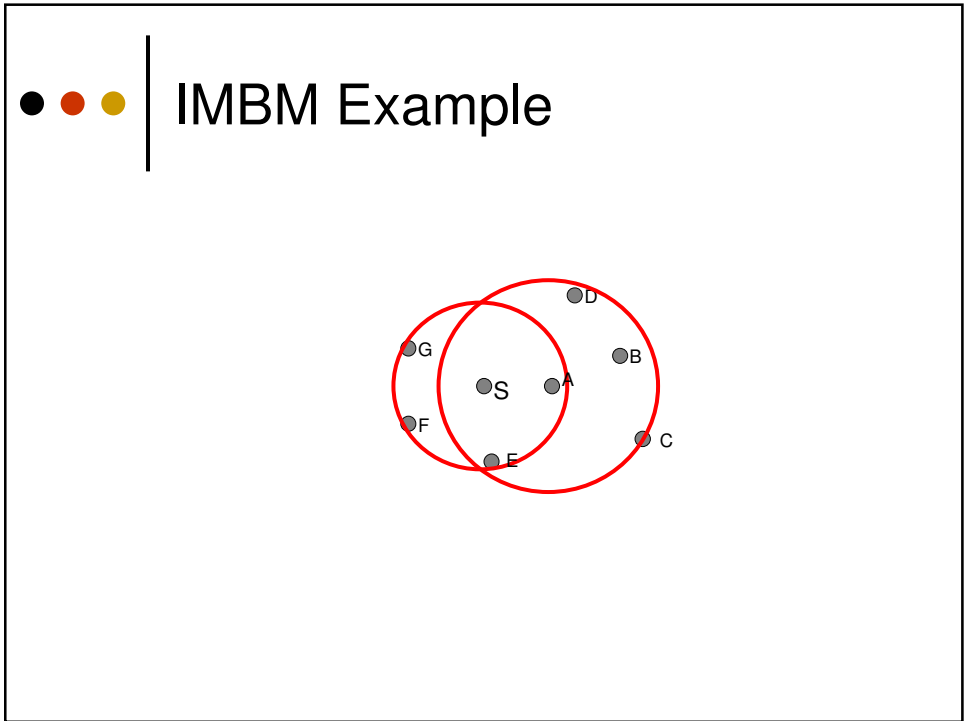
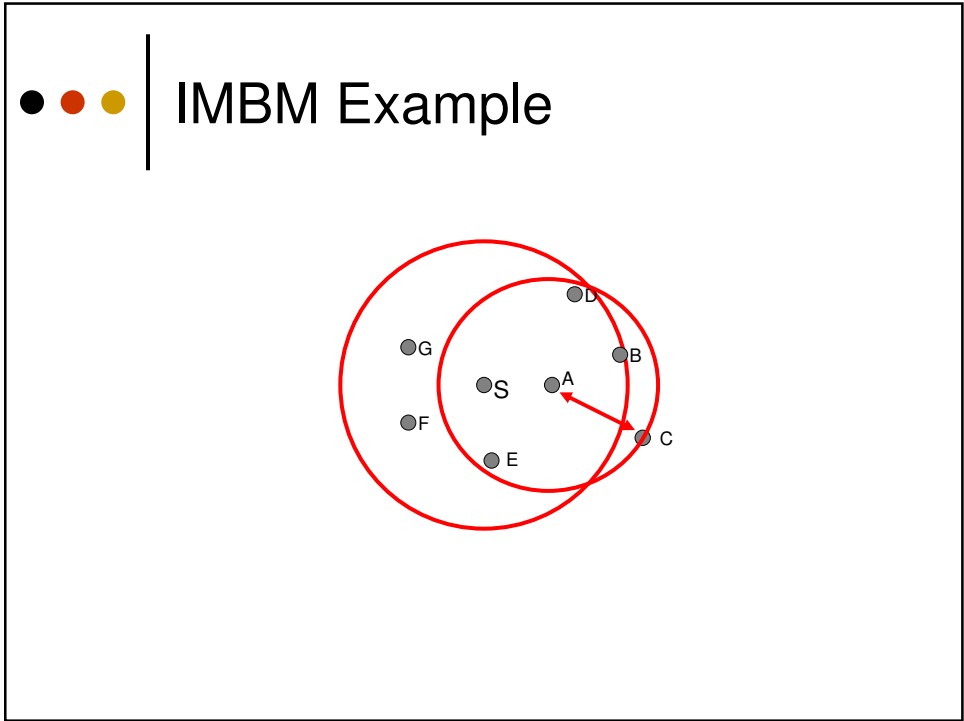


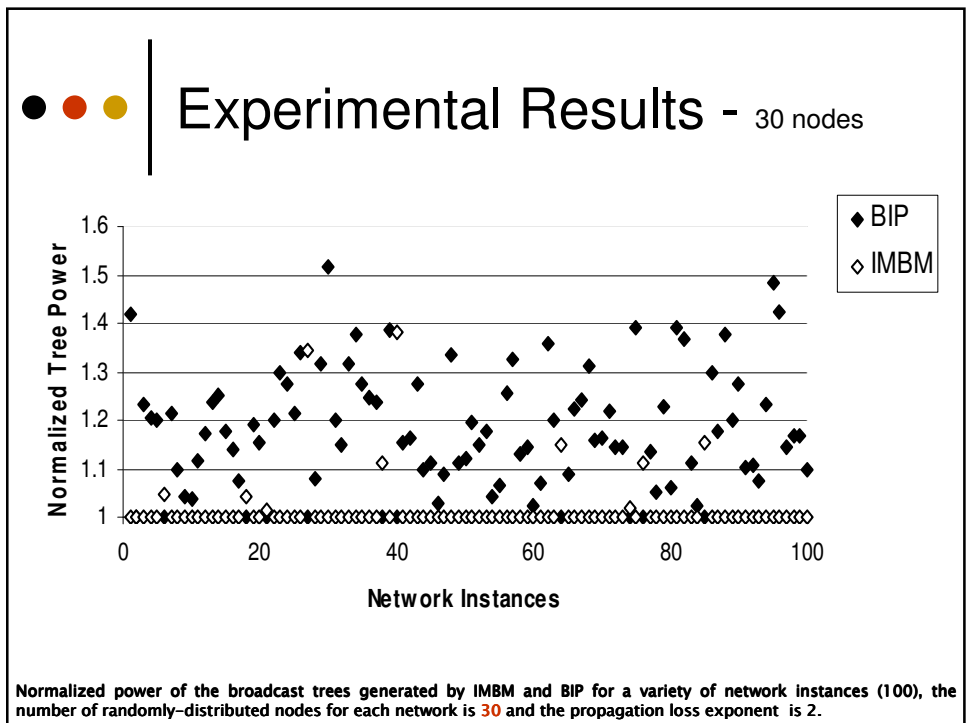
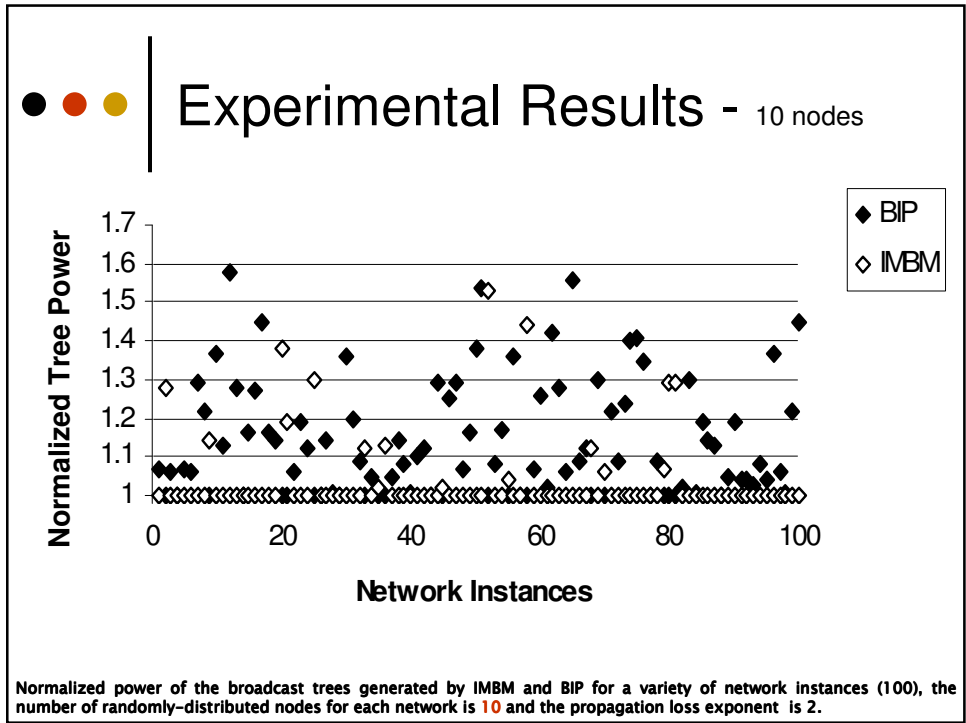
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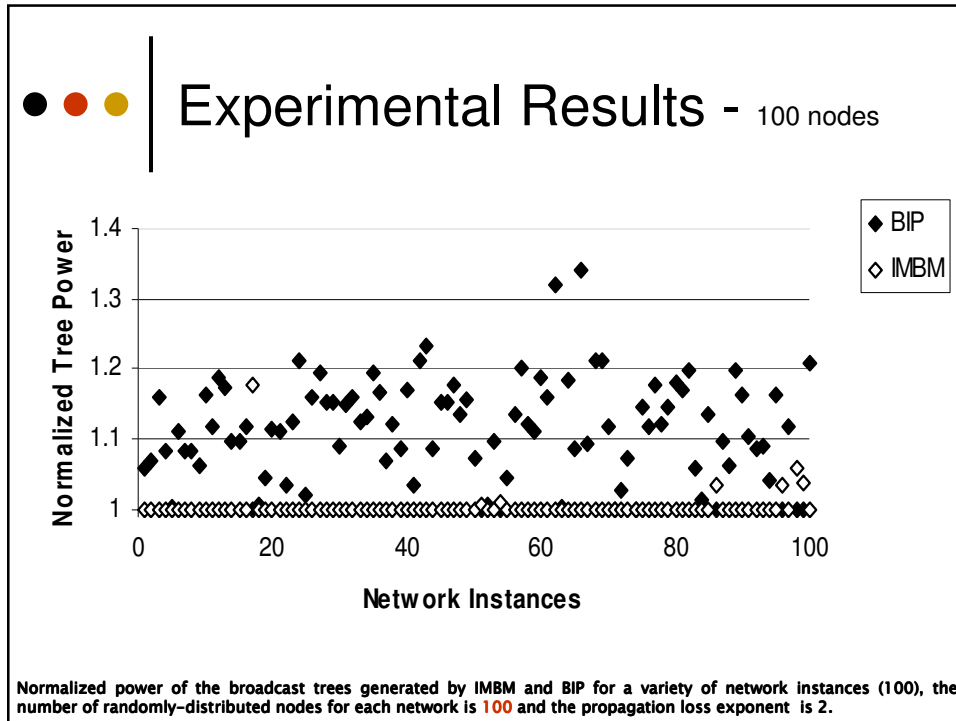


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- ## Current State of Affairs
- BLiMST
 - Between 6 and 12 times the optimal.
 - BIP
 - Between 13/3 and 12 times the optimal.
 - BLU
 - At least $n/2$.
 - IMBM
 - Not known,
 - but not would not be surprising if it is also bad.

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● ● ● | The Impact of Mobility

- The quasi-static assumption:
 - The network nodes move only occasionally.
- The “true” mobility assumption:
 - Nodes move, then pause, then move, etc.
- A mobility model:
 - Random Waypoint Model (RWP)

● ● ● | RWP (for one node)

- Pick a point (waypoint) within a rectangle.
 - Uniform random on X and Y.
- Select a certain velocity.
 - Uniform random between 0 and V_m .
- Move from current point to waypoint.
- Pause at the waypoint.
 - Exponentially distributed.
- Repeat

● ● ● | Naïve Mobility-Support Scheme

- Construct tree as per BIP/BLU/BLiMST
 - IMBM is similar.
- When mobile, adjust power level to maintain the originally constructed tree.

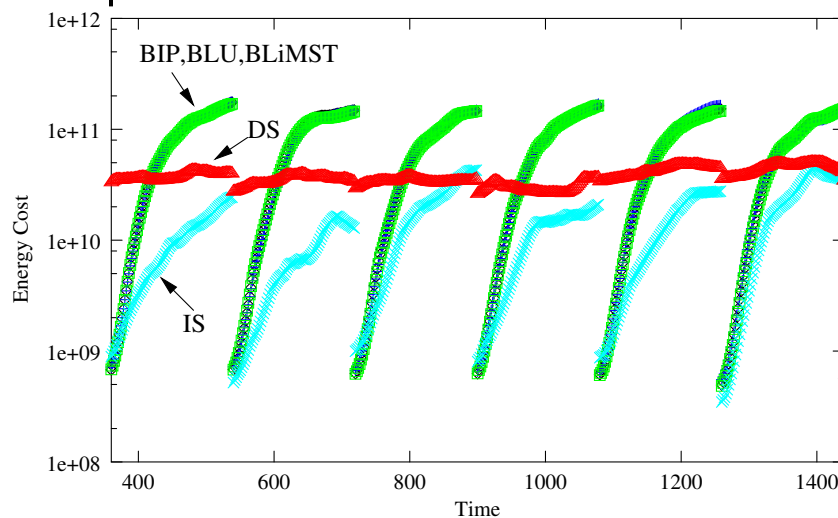


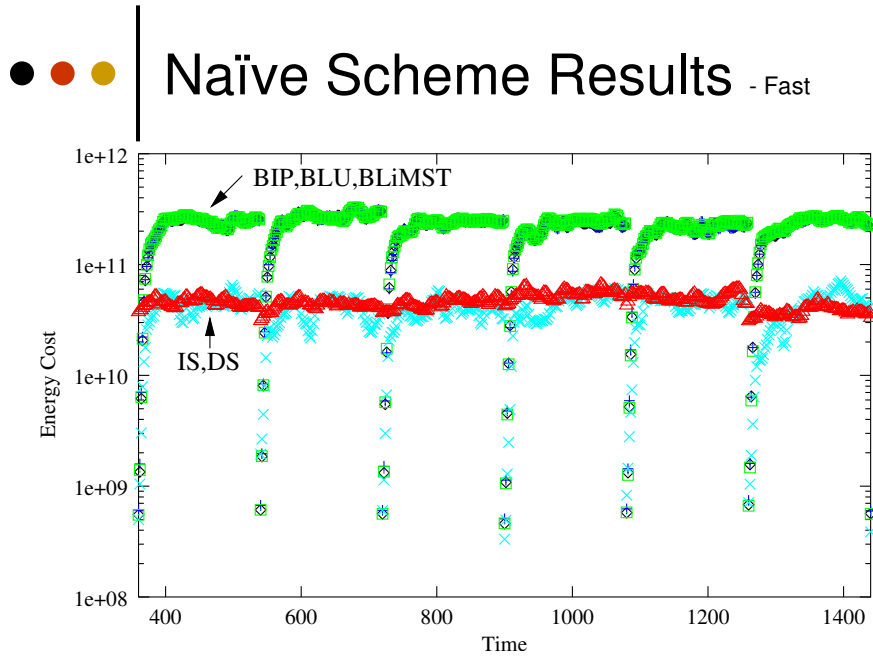
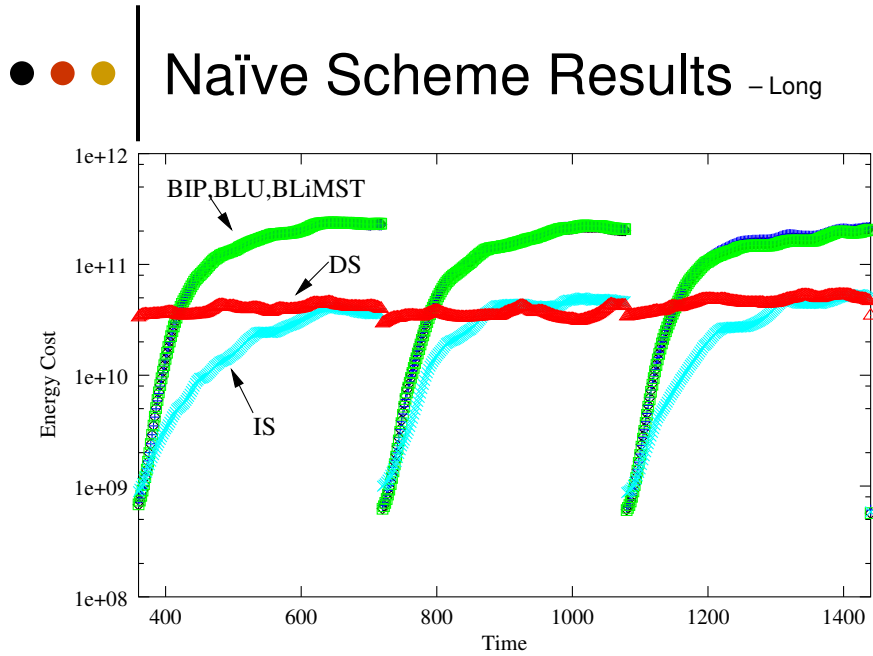
Additional Simplistic Broadcast Tree Construction Schemes

- IS: Incremental Search.
 - Assume initially all nodes are relays with radius 0.
 - Edge list is admitted in minimum additional cost order.
 - Minimum additional cost to expand radius of a relay.
 - Terminate when all vertices reached.
 - A-la Kruskal MST but cycles are allowed.
- DS: Decremental Search.
 - Assume initially all nodes are relays with maximum radius.
 - Edges are *eliminated* in order of maximum cost reduction.
 - Maximum cost reduction by shrinking radius.
 - Terminate when edge removal would disconnect the graph.
 - We start from completely connected graph, but don't go far.



Naïve Scheme Results







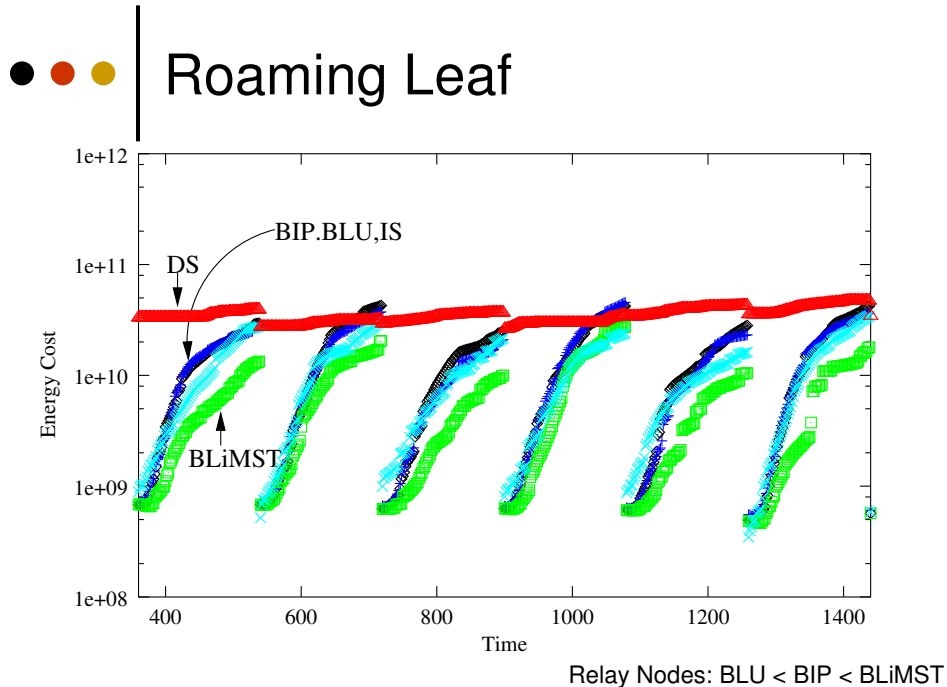
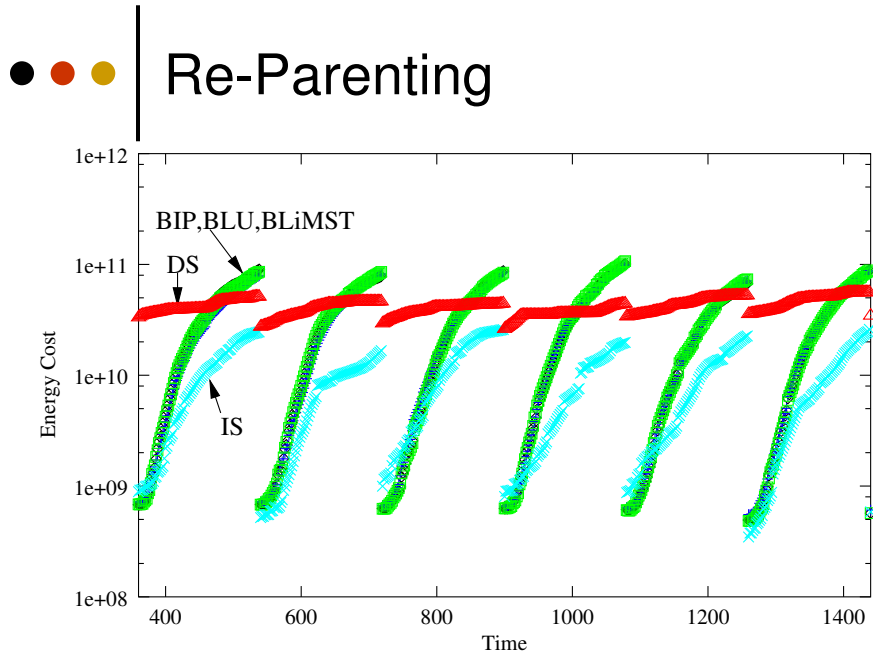
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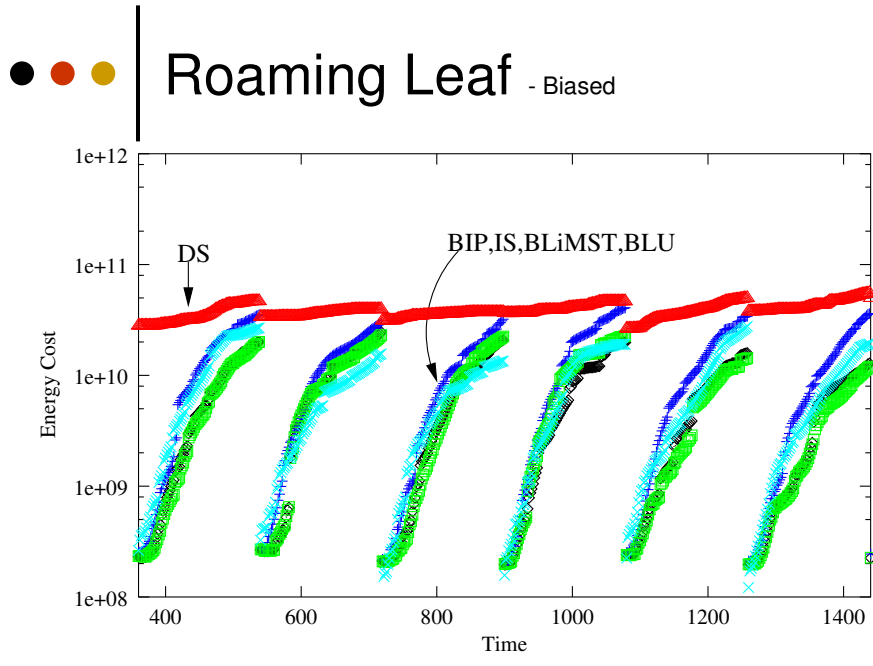
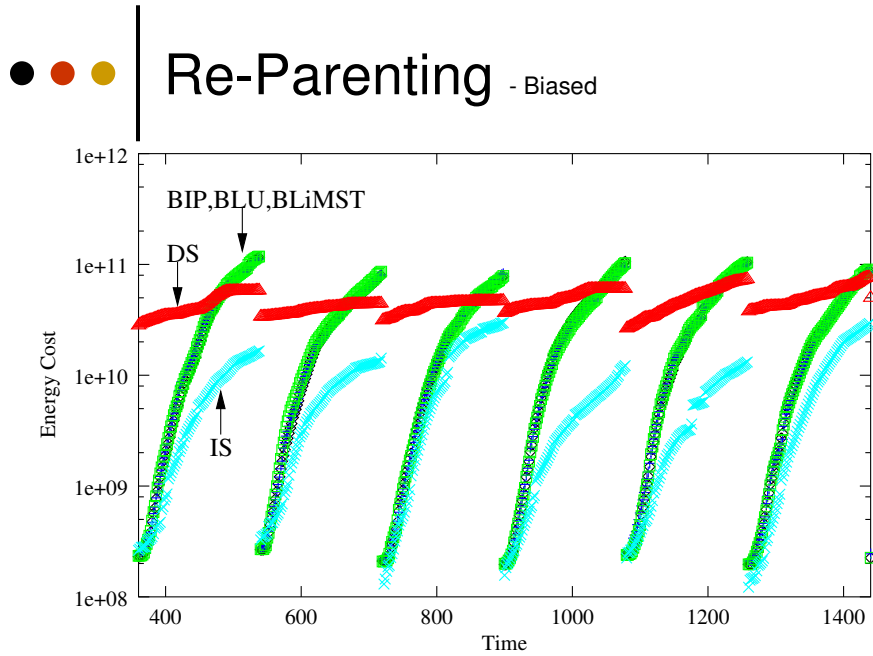
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Towards Addressing Mobility

- Tradeoff of continuously re-running the tree construction and a simple algorithm to *maintain* the tree despite mobility.
- Two simple tree *maintenance* options:
 - Re-parenting
 - Allow movement up one level of a node or a relay node.
 - Roaming Leaf:
 - Leaf nodes: find nearest relay. Relay nodes: re-parenting.
- Two desirable properties:
 - (a) *Localized Search* and
 - (b) *Invariant Relay Set*







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Conclusions

- Greed and local optimality are obstacles in solving the Minimum Energy Broadcast Tree.
- Iterative Maximum-Branch Minimization (IMBM) is a top-down algorithm performing better than the bottom-up Broadcast Incremental Power (BIP).
 - The benefit is reduced for increased λ .
 - Selection of initial tree may have impact.

● ● ● | Future Work

- Improve IMBM.
 - Calibrate initial tree based on λ .
- Cost “Discovery” Protocols
 - The costs can be asymmetric.
 - Possibly unrelated to geometric properties.
- Identify instances that are exactly solvable.
 - In polynomial time.
 - A couple of interesting cases: line topology, line with given distance distribution between points, etc.

● ● ● | Some Observations

- Constraints
 - Limit on per-node capacity (vertex-wise)
 - Transmit power constraints.
- *We know θ IS important.*
 - Directional antennas & inference about θ
 - Recent work of Wieselthier et al.
 - Do exact coordinates simplify the problem?



Mobility

- Protocols for tree maintenance algorithms.
- Establish control over the “depth” and “breadth” of trees.
 - Depth – higher chance that at least an edge needs to be adjusted (cost-wise).
 - Breadth – higher chance that a relay possesses a non-zero number of children after a number of nodes move.



Questions?