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# Terminode Routing - A Scalable Routing Scheme for Large Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

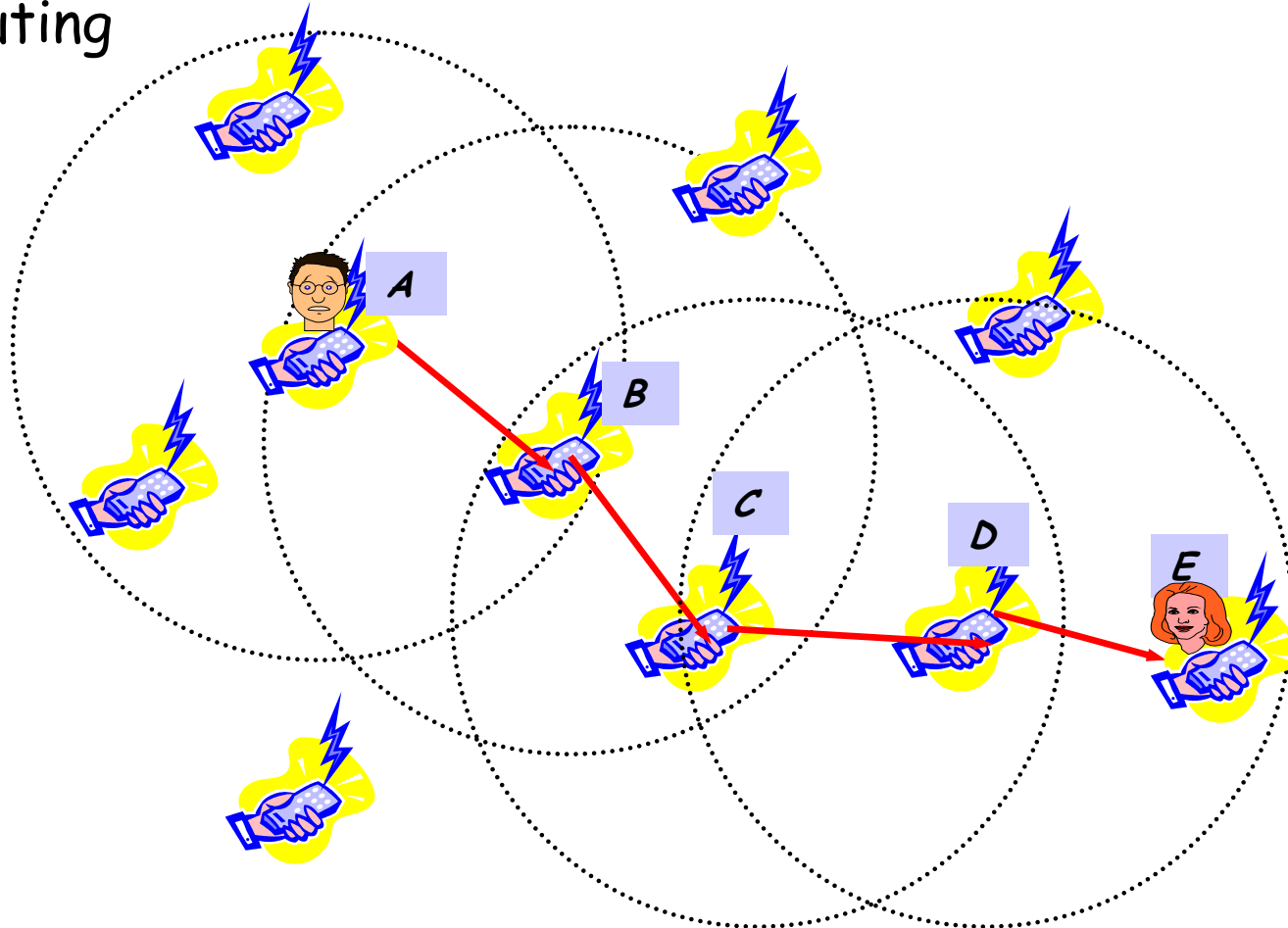
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# Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

- Autonomous system of mobile routers, connected by wireless links
  - we call it **terminode** network
- Network covers area larger than transmission range, by use of routing

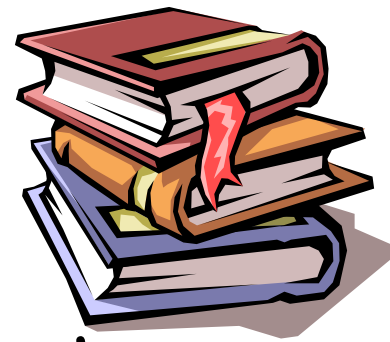


# Goal: Design Routing Protocol for Terminode Network

- Requirements:

- scalability (geography, number of terminodes)
- support dynamicity of network
- minimal intermediate system functions and overhead

# Existing Routing Protocols



- **Topology-based (MANET) protocols use info. about links in network** (ex.DSR,AODV,ZRP, DSDV,OLSR)
  - difficult to maintain topological structure for more than 100 nodes
- **Scalability can be achieved through geography** (ex. LAR,GPSR, GRA, GFP)
  - reduction of control traffic, router state information
  - routes may not be optimal
  - location inaccuracy is not well supported
- **Terminode Routing combines both**
  - geography-based until close to destination; there on MANET-like

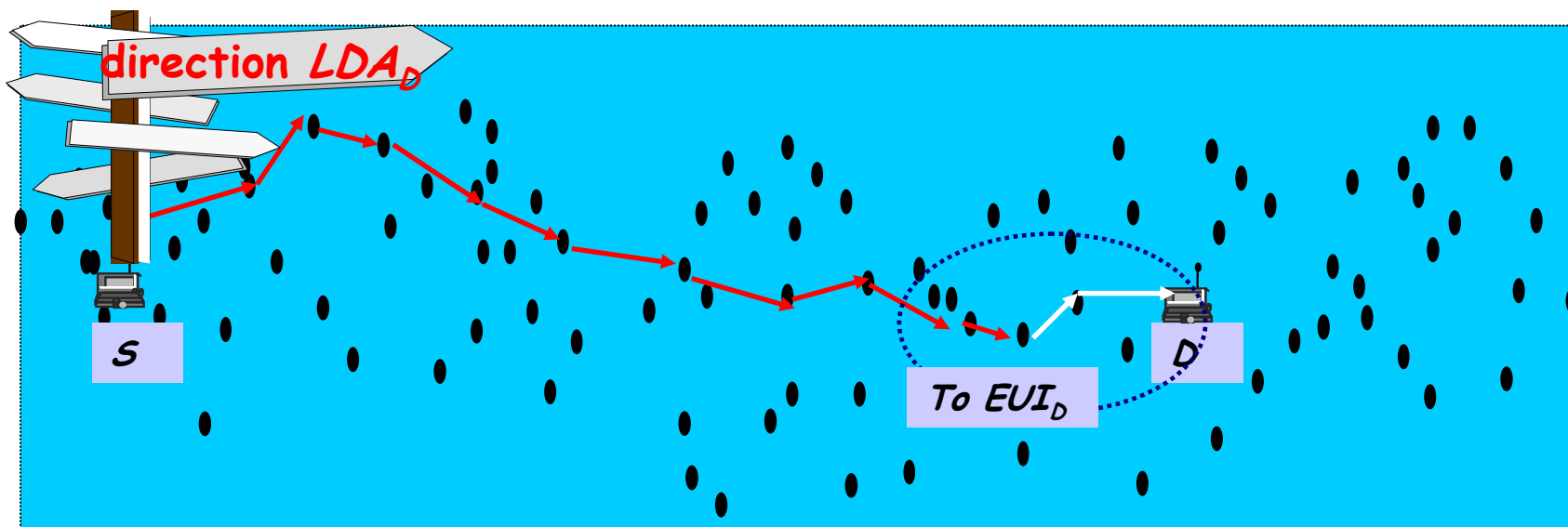
# Terminode Routing



- Every terminode is identified by two addresses:
  - End-system Unique Identifier (EUI)
  - Location-Dependent Address (LDA): (longitude, latitude, height)
    - obtained with *GPS* or *GPS-free* positioning system
    - location management assumed to exist
- Source  $S$  knows  $EUI_D$  and approximate value of  $LDA_D$ .  
How can  $S$  reach  $D$ ?

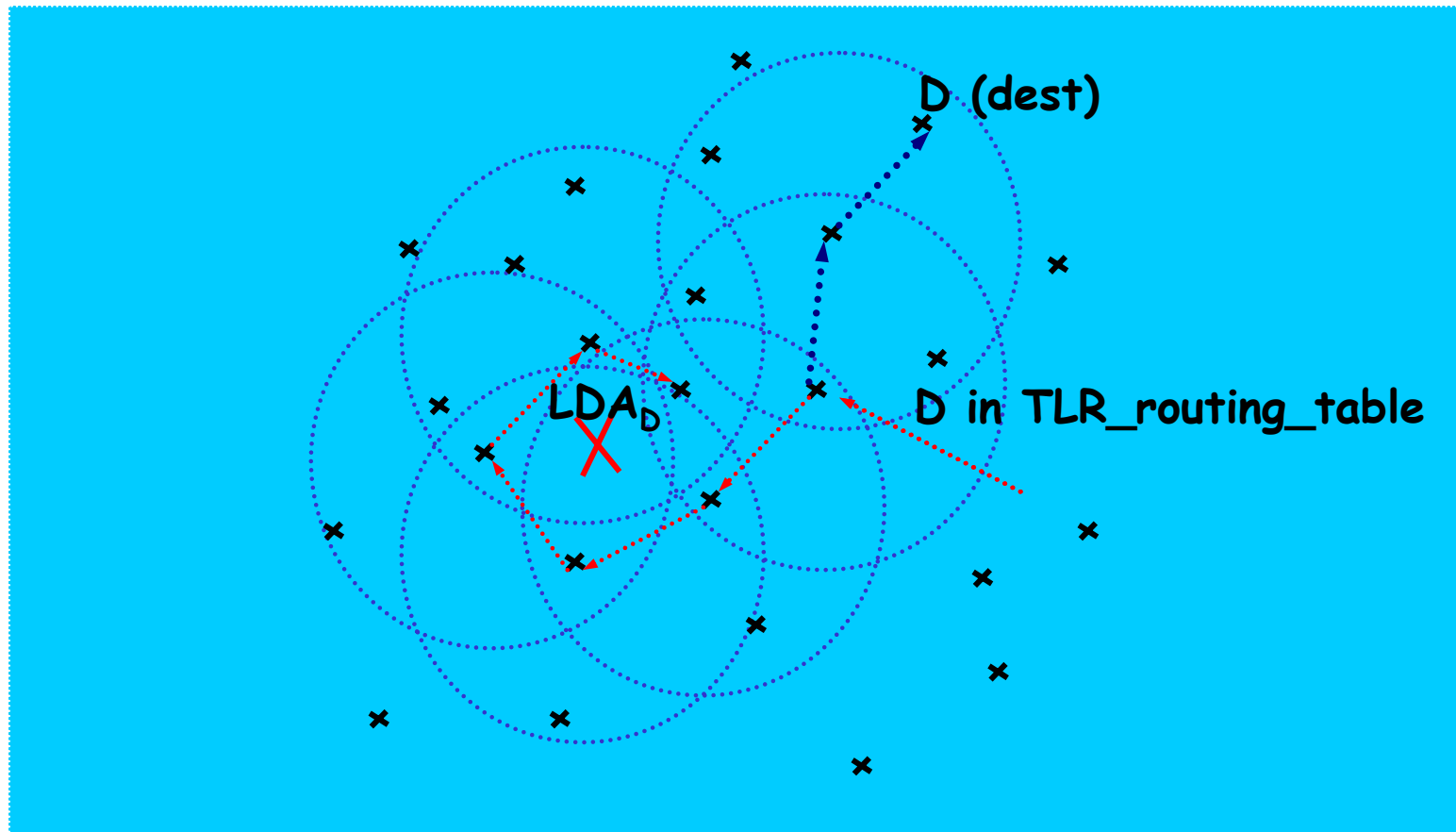
# Terminode routing = TRR(location-based) + TLR(MANET-like)

- Elements of Terminode Routing:
  - Terminode Remote Routing (TRR): location-based, far from destination
  - Terminode Local Routing (TLR): non location-based, close to destination
  - Interworking between the two



# Illustration of advantages with TLR

- TLR helps when the destination has moved from its reference position more than scope of one transmission range



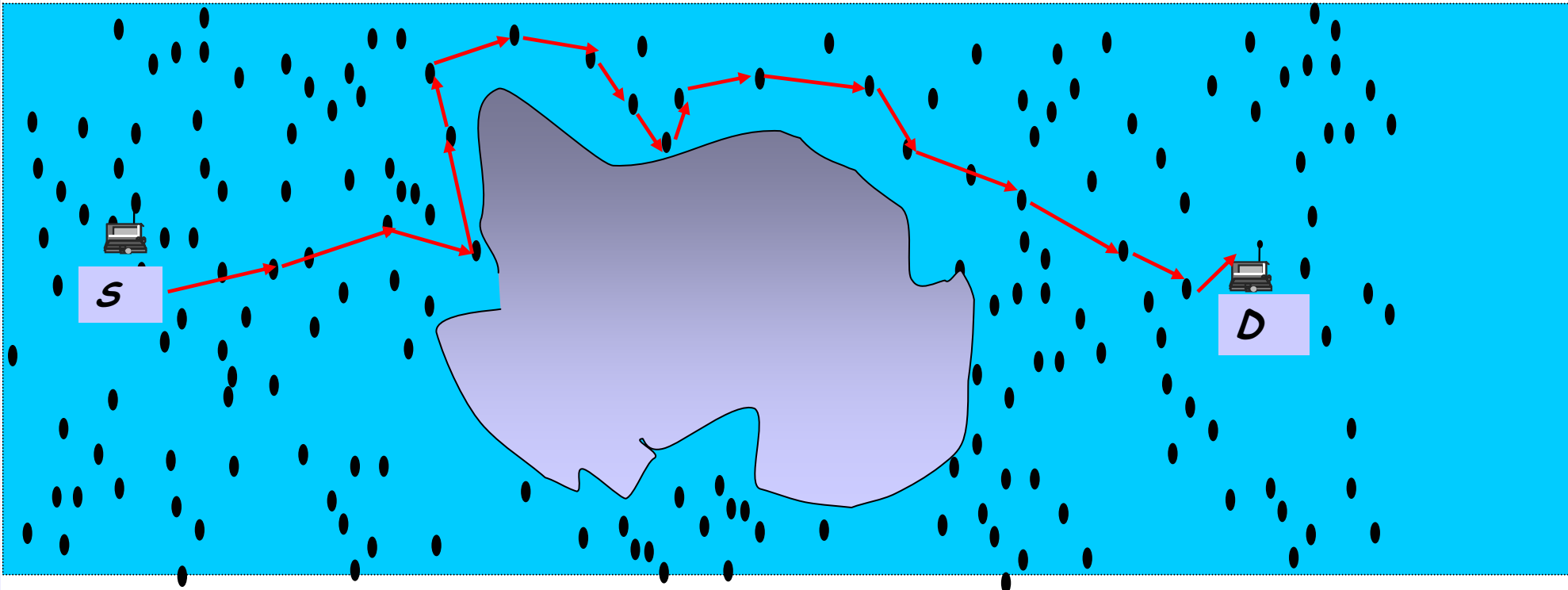
# Terminode Remote Routing (TRR)

- Default method: *Geodesic Packet Forwarding (GPF)*
  - packet is sent to a neighbour geographically closest to D's location
- *Anchored Geodesic Packet Forwarding (AGPF)* helps in case of obstacles and voids

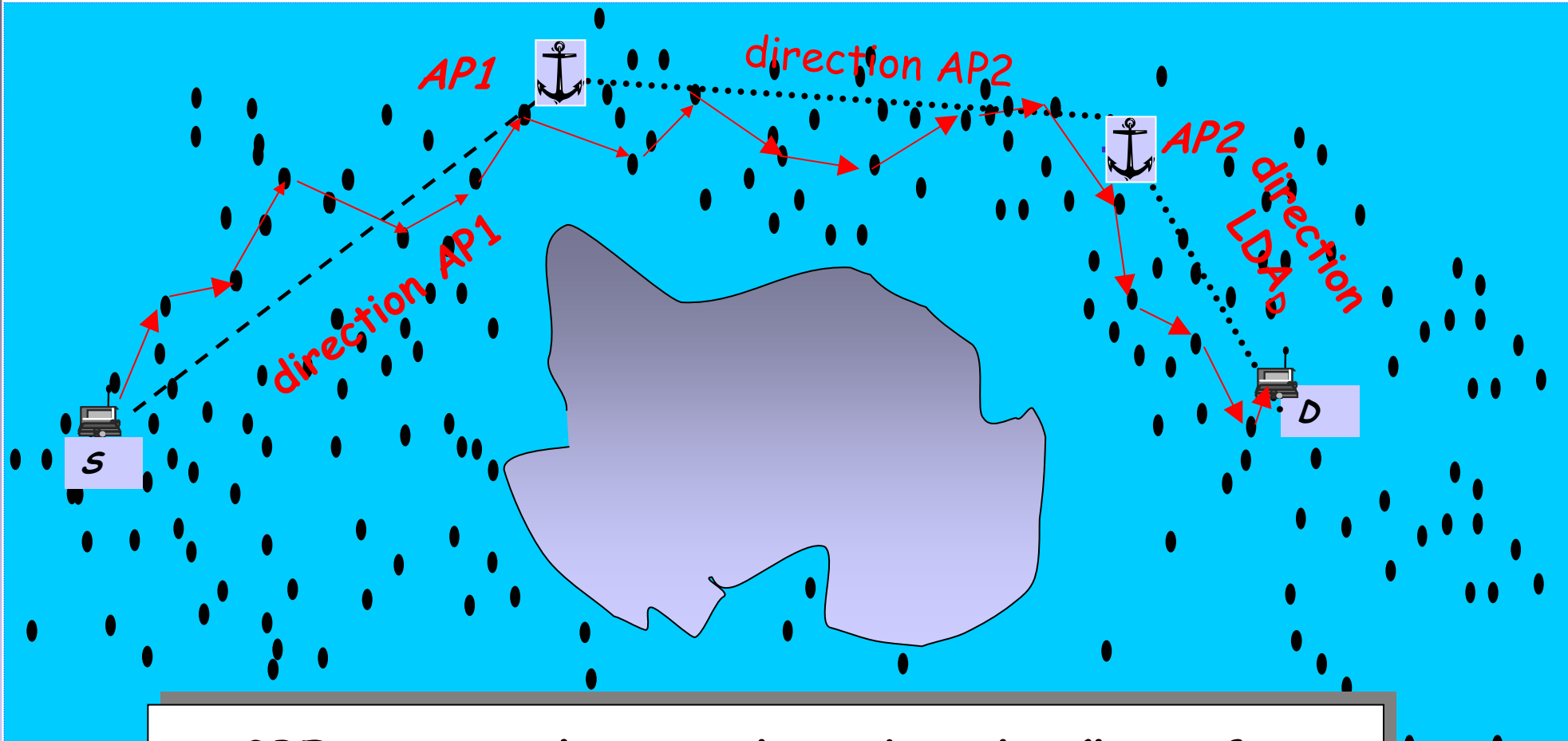


# GPF - Problems

- **Greedy mode:** packet can be "stuck" in local minimum
- **Perimeter mode** is used in that case:
  - uses planar subgraph of wireless network graph to route around perimeter of a void
  - problem: may loop due to mobility



# Anchors help to go around Connectivity Voids

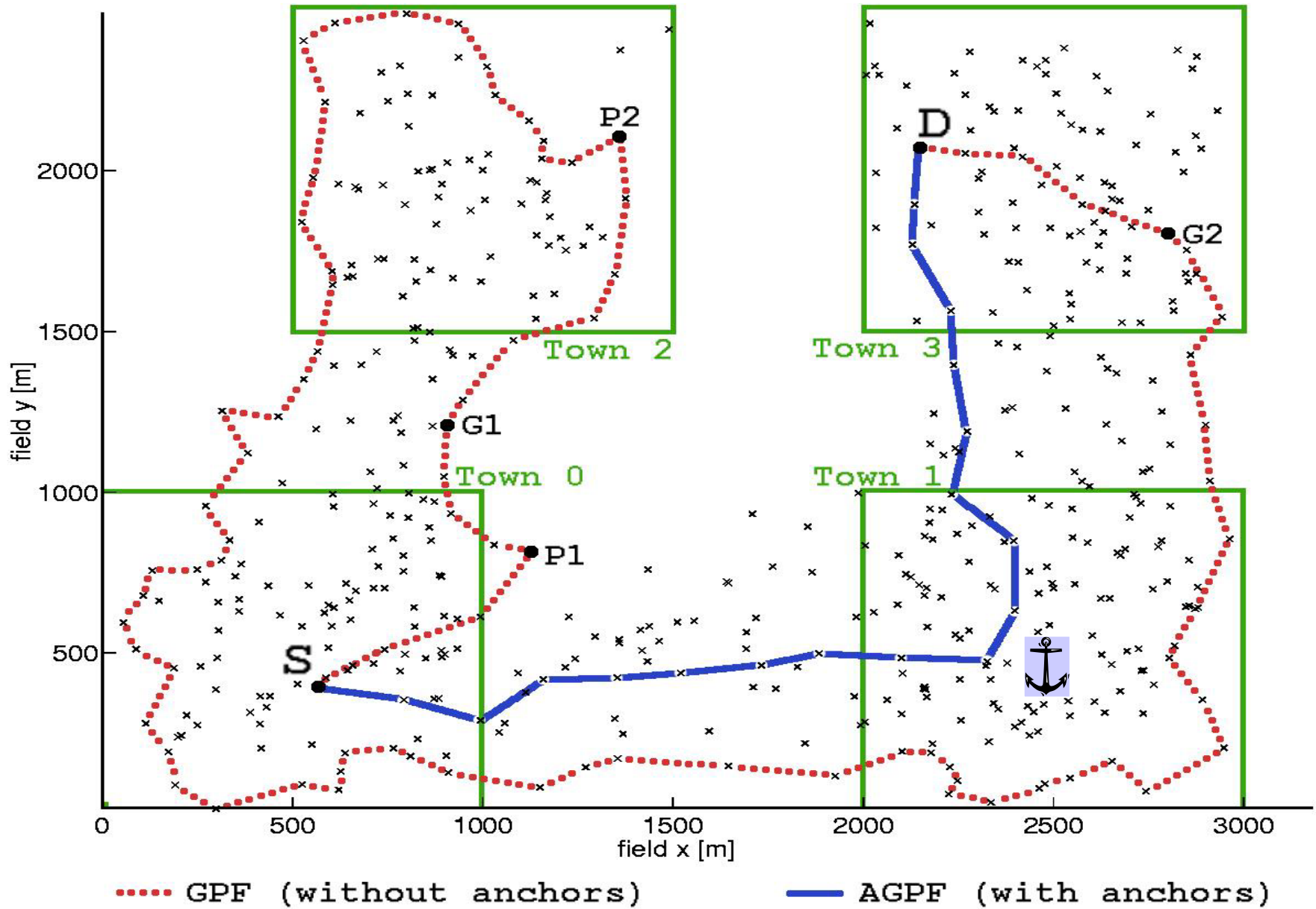


AGPF routes along anchored paths (list of geographic points - anchors)  
AGPF = source routing with anchors

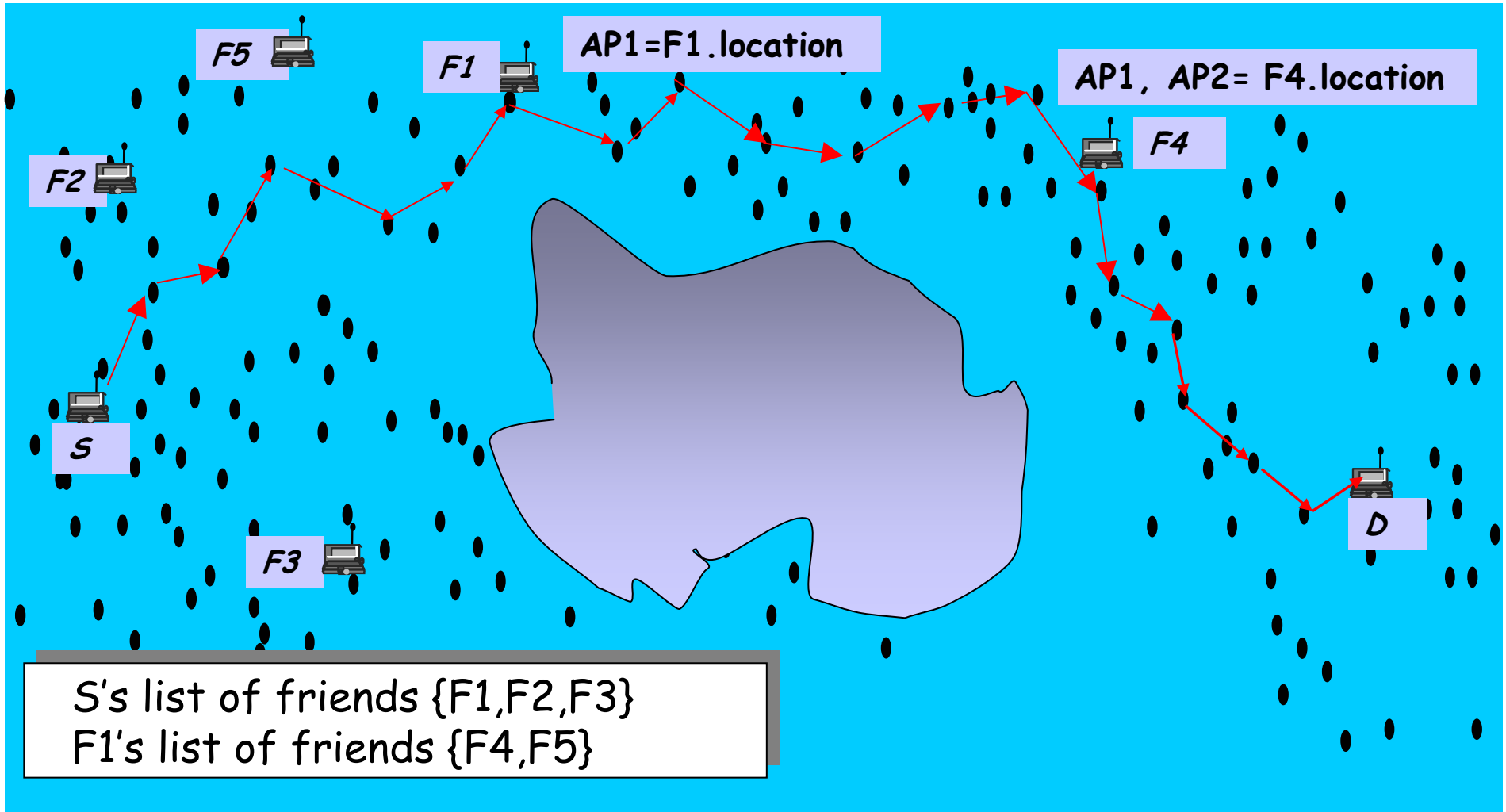
# Anchored Path Discovery

- List of anchors found by GMPD or FAPD
- Geographical Map-Based Path Discovery (GMPD)
  - **map** identifies areas with higher node density (towns and highways)
  - anchored paths found with help of **map**
- Friend Assisted Path Discovery (FAPD)
  - a terminode can ask its **friends** to help in finding a path
  - terminode has a good path to a friend

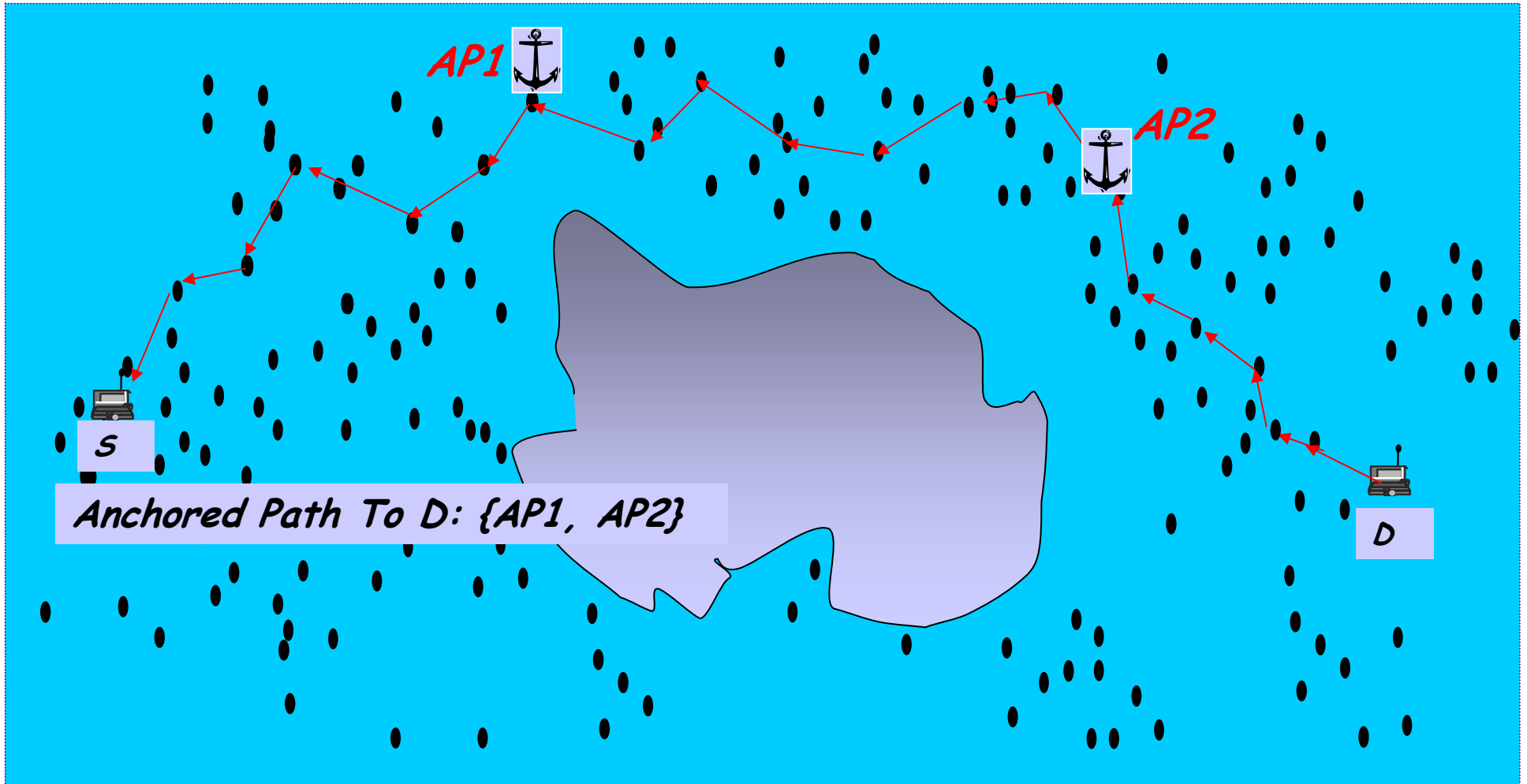
# GMPD Illustrated



# (a). FAPD Illustrated



## (b). FAPD Illustrated



# Terminode Local Routing (TLR)

- Inspired by existing MANET protocols
- Desirable characteristics of TLR:
  - low overhead
  - handles well problems due to location management inaccuracy
  - loop-free at all times

# TLR Operation

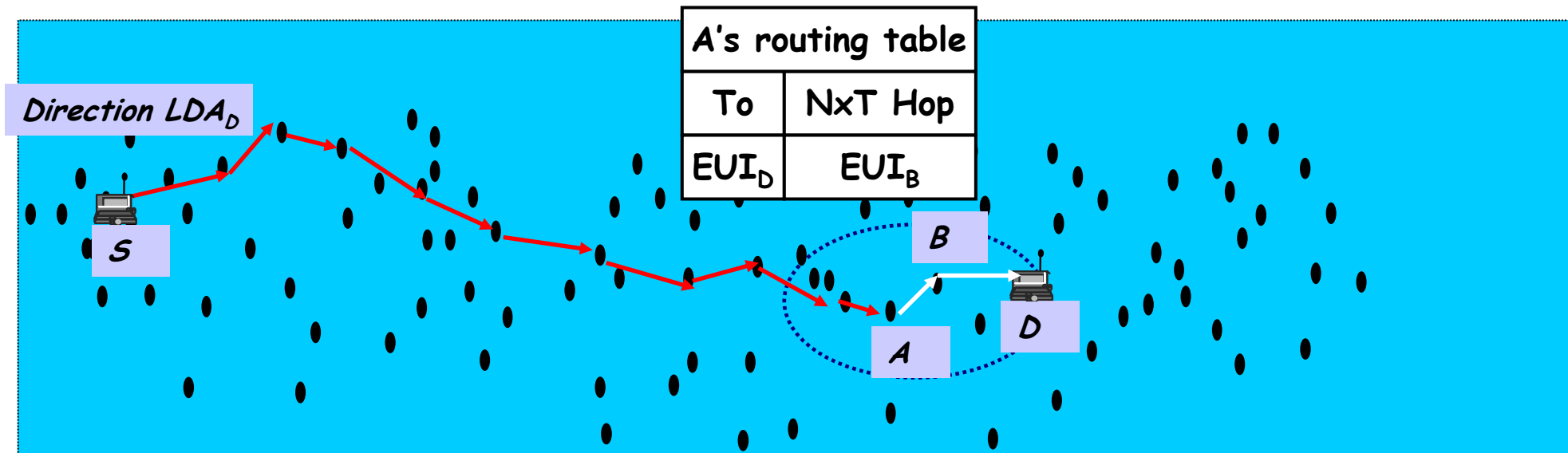
- TLR consists of two methods:
    1. building of TLR routing tables
    2. TLR packet forwarding
- 1 All nodes keep link states for nodes in the 2-hop area
    - $X$  sends in a HELLO message:  $\{EUI_X, LDA_X, EUIs \text{ of its immediate neighbours}\}$ ;
    - HELLO messages are periodically broadcasted at the MAC layer
    - $X$ 's routing table:
      - immediate neighbours' EUI and LDA (used for TRR)
      - 2-hop nodes: EUI and next hop node
    - all entries are associated with a timeout
  - 2  $X$  has packet  $p$  to forward to  $D$  with TLR

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if ( $p.use\_tlr\_bit=0$ )  $p.use\_tlr\_bit:=1$   
if ( $EUI_D$  in  $X.TLR\_routing\_table$ )  
    transmit( $p, X.TLR\_routing\_table.next\_hop(EUI_D)$ )  
else drop  $p$ 
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# Interworking of TRR and TLR

- TRR is performed until some node finds destination to be within 2 hops
  - from there on, only TLR is used



- This simple way may not work ; then use more complex method to expedite termination of TRR

# TRR termination

- If  $D$  has moved considerably from  $LDA_D$  (known at the source), normal termination not possible
  - packet may circulate around  $LDA_D$  and eventually die (after TTL expiration)
- Our goal: detect packet circulation problem and react

Expedite termination of TRR if:

$\text{dist}(LDA_D, LDA_X) < X.\text{transmission\_range}$  &&  $D$  not in  $X.\text{TLR\_routing\_table}$

- One solution is **limiting lifetime of packets:**  
 $X$  sets:  $p.\text{ttl} = \min(3, p.\text{ttl})$

## A variant of how TRR termination is expedited- Restricted Local Flooding (RLF)

- RLF expands search area of  $D$  and improves probability of finding  $D$

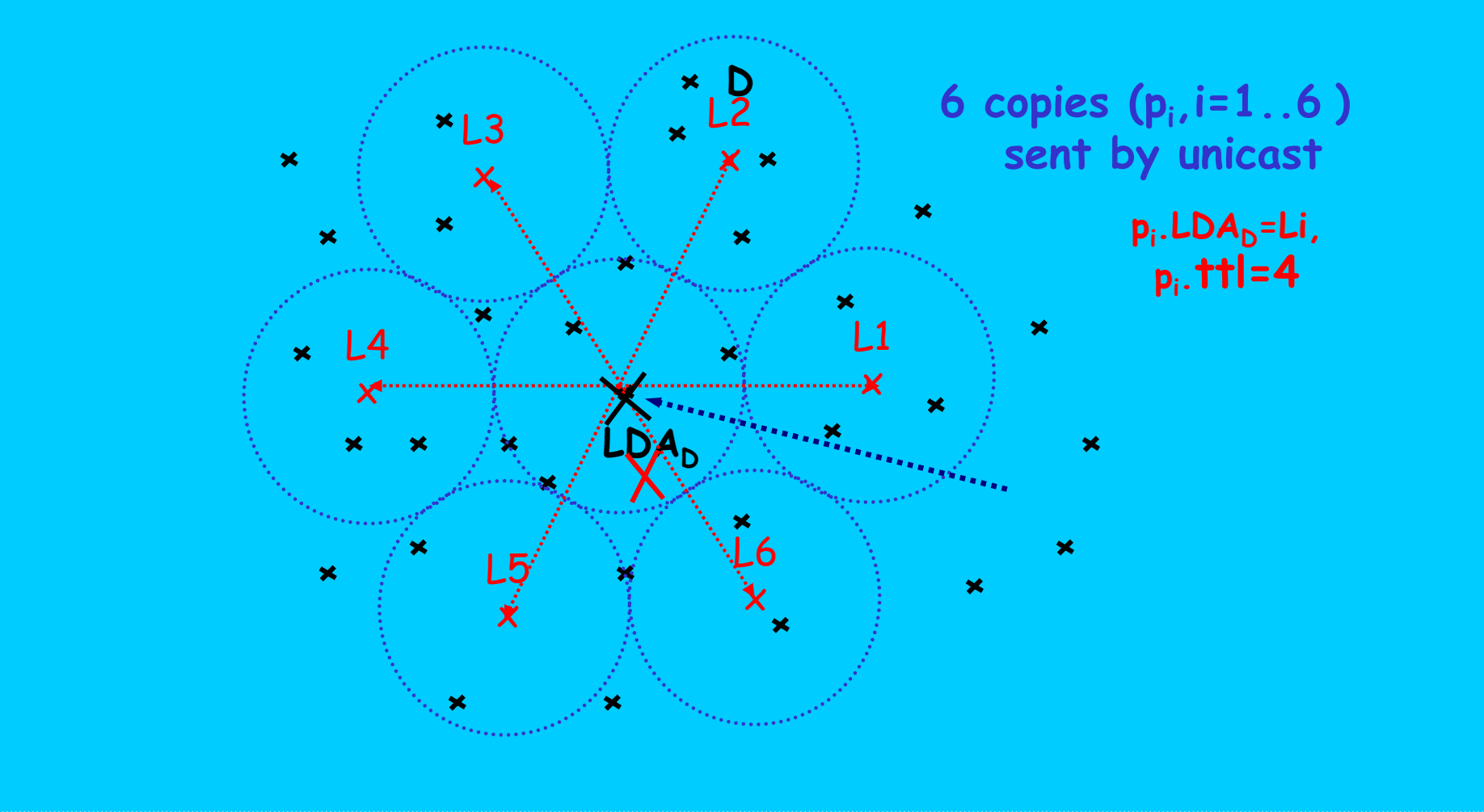
RLF is activated at  $X$ :

$X$  creates several copies of packet ( $p_i$ ) and selects different locations around itself ( $L_i$ ):

$p_i.LDA_D := L_i$   
 $X$  sends  $p_i$  by GPF

- *Restricted* Local Flooding: 6 duplicates, 4 hops
- RLF never results in network-wide flooding

# RLF operation



# Terminode Routing Performance Evaluation

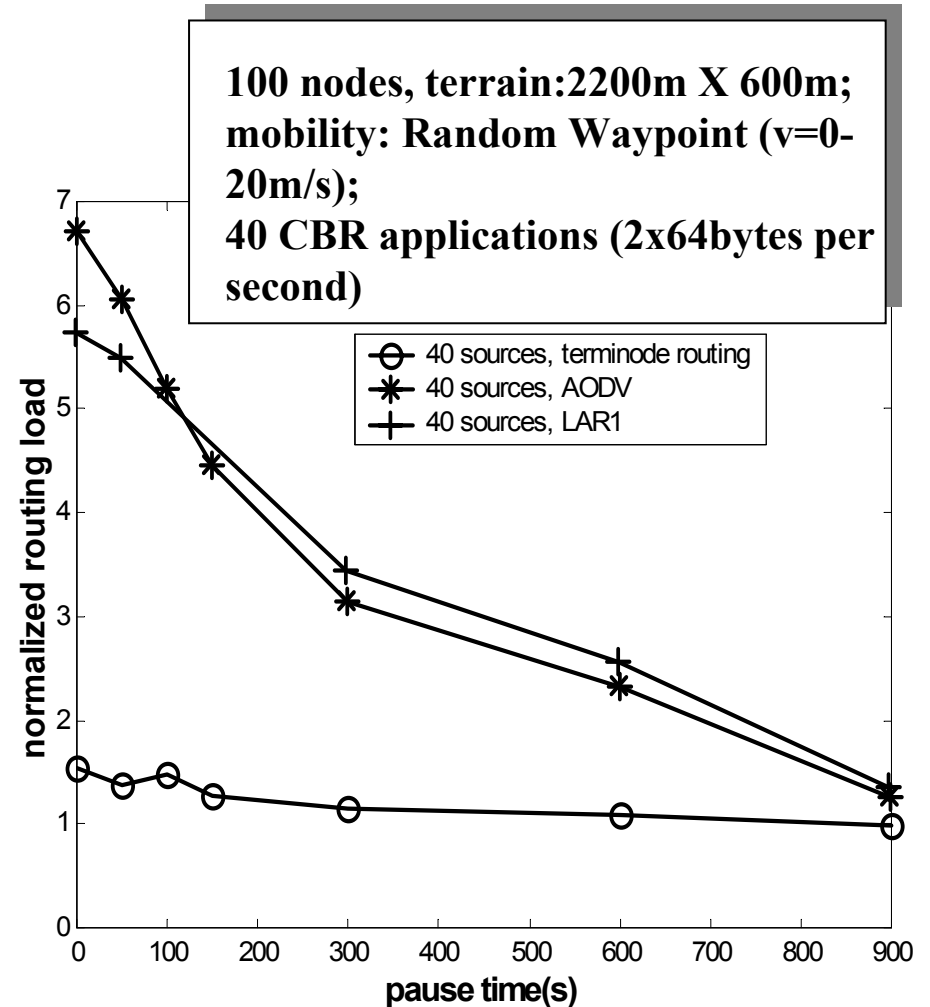
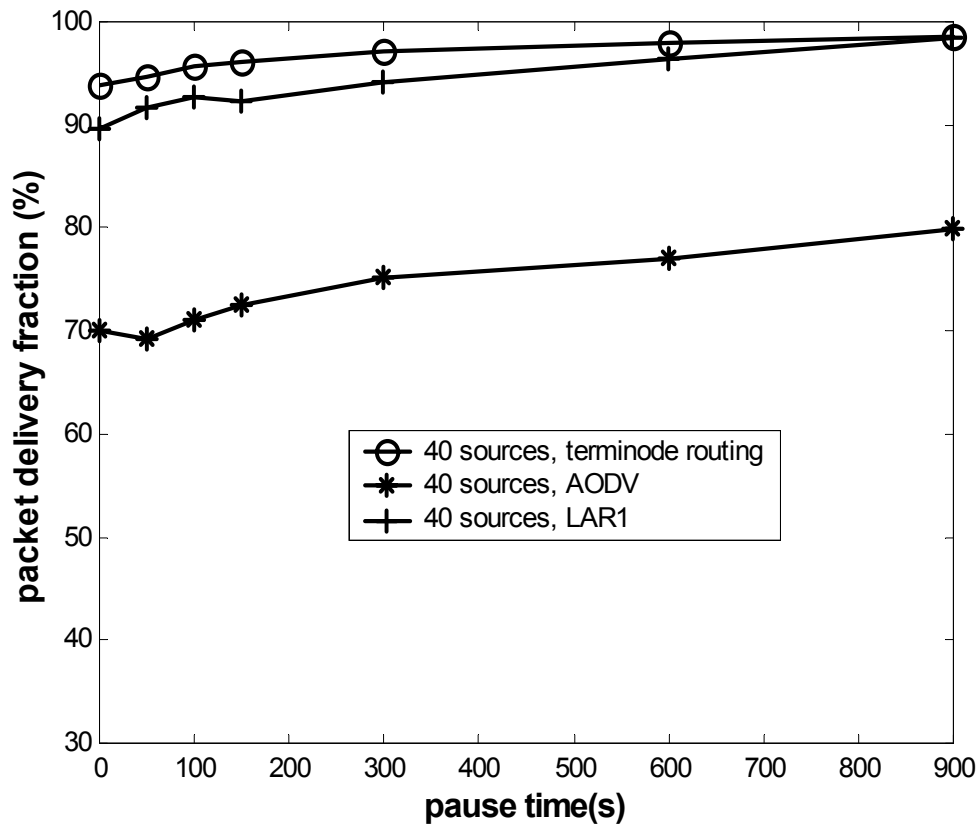
- Simulations were performed in GloMoSim:
  - IEEE 802.11 MAC protocol is used; nominal radio range is 250 meters and 2Mbps data rate (model of the Lucent WaveLAN card)
  - Piggypacking implemented (promiscuous use of network interface)
  - HELLO messages sent every 1 s (if no data is to be sent); TLR routing entries expire after 2s (if not updated)
- Simulation parameters:
  - size of the network
  - node distributions (uniform and non-uniform)
  - mobility level

# Location Management

- In SMALL nets (#nodes=100) our location management:
  - *location discovery* is on-demand: initiated by source, based on controlled flooding of network; destination sends its location back to source
  - *location tracking*: once two nodes begin communication, data packets periodically piggyback local sender's location
- In BIG nets (#nodes=600)
  - we assume idealized location management with no control overhead
  - however, we assume the location information can be stale
  - the *location information lifetime* parameter is the destination location update interval

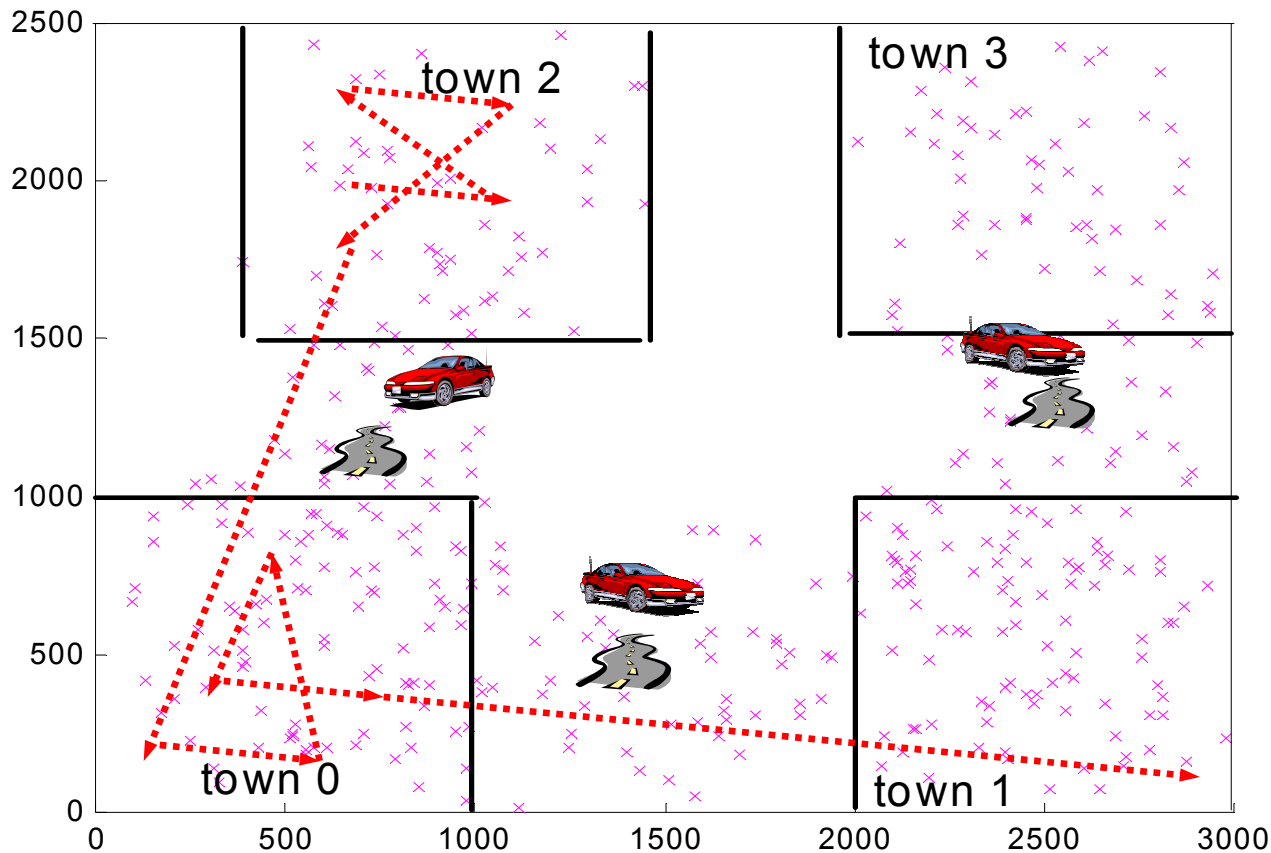
# In small networks TR better than MANET

- Terminode routing outperforms LAR1 and AODV in packet delivery success
- Terminode Routing has lowest routing load compared to LAR1 and AODV



# Large Network, Non-Uniform node distribution

- We designed new mobility model referred to as *restricted random waypoint* that is close to real life
- Nodes move in the same town area by random waypoint model, before moving to a different town
- *stay\_in\_town* parameter defines locality of movements within a town

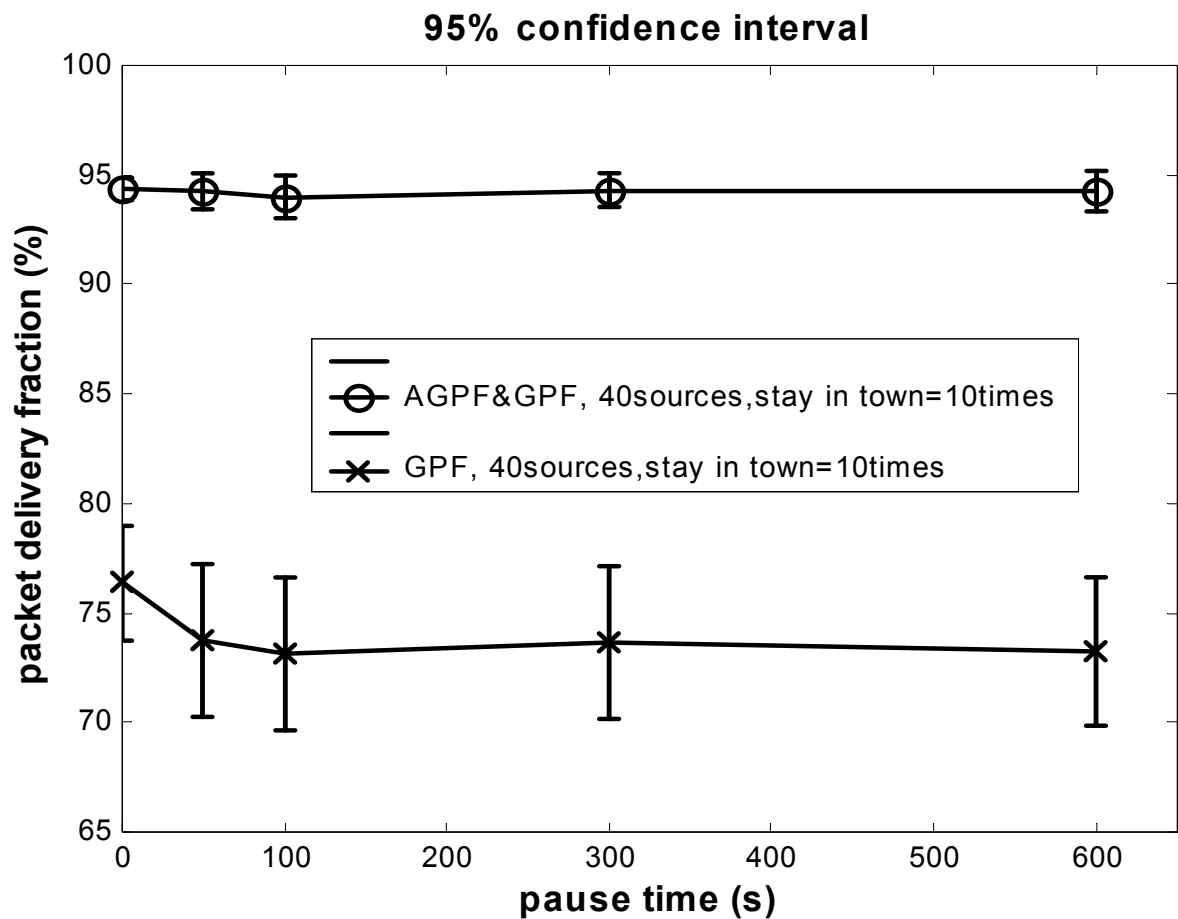




# Results for different levels of mobility while movements are localized

*stay\_in\_town=10*

500 nodes,  
mobility: Restricted Random  
Waypoint ( $v=0-20\text{m/s}$ )  
40 CBR applications  
( $2 \times 64\text{bytes per second}$ )  
location info. lifetime = 5 sec



AGPF improves GPF  
over 20%

# Conclusions

- Designed **terminode routing**: scalable strategy for large mobile ad hoc networks
- Tested: TLR + TRR scales well under different simulation parameters
- Current work: Evaluation of FAPD algorithm