

A Survey on Performance Analysis of Manets Under Security Attacks

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Abstract—the shift to wireless network from wired network has emerged to be a worldwide trend in the last couple of decades. The mobility and scalability rendered by wireless network have made it feasible in several applications. Among all of the current wireless networks, Mobile Ad hoc NETWORK (MANET) is one among the most essential and distinct applications. Contrary to the conventional network architecture, MANET does not need a predefined network infrastructure; each single node functions both as a transmitter and a receiver. Nodes communicate directly with one another when both of them lie inside the same range of communication. Else, they depend on their neighbors for relaying messages. Owing to the dynamic behavior of mobile Ad-HOC network it is more susceptible to intrusions. Hence, security is a more important challenge compared to infrastructure-based wireless networks. In MANETs, it is hard to find the vicious hosts since the network topology varies dynamically. A malicious intruder can easily intervene a route for which it is one among the forming nodes existing in the communication path. In the earlier works, there are various proposals to identify such dangerous attack like black hole, gray hole, worm hole, collaborative black hole, Byzantine attacks, Sybil and sink hole. The available research techniques are explained with their pros and cons, such that the research works carried out in future can focus them more.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Mobile ad hoc networks (MANETs) are getting increasing more attention as an element of the next-generation network technologies. These networks are generally built by making use of mobile and wireless hosts with minimal or no centralized control point of attachment, like a base station [1]. Every node in MANET is fitted with a wireless transmitter and receiver that permits it to communicate with the rest of the nodes within its radio communication range with no fixed infrastructure. In case a node desires to a packet forwarded to a node, which lies outside its radio range, then it needs the collaboration of other nodes present in the network. Hence,

every node has to don the hat of as both a host and a router simultaneously [2].

MANET is specifically unguarded owing to its basic features, like open medium, dynamic topology, distributive collaboration, and limited capability. Routing has a vital role to play in the security aspect of the whole network. The chief objective of routing protocols in MANET is to reduce the delay and to increase the network throughput, network lifespan and energy efficiency [3]. Routing protocols can be divided into three: Proactive (Table-driven), Reactive (On-demand) and Hybrid. Proactive routing protocols discover routes between each and every source-destination pair and save them in the routing table, even when they are not required. Few of the proactive protocols include Destination Sequenced Distance Vector (DSDV), Wireless Routing Algorithm (WRP), Global State Routing (GSR), etc. These protocols experience very less delay in the determination of route. Since the network is greatly dynamic, periodic update of the routes is required. The routes that are not utilized at all are also maintained and updated often that is again a substantial wastage of resources [4].

Reactive routing protocols discover the routes to destination solely if they are required. They are known as On-demand protocols, since they begin the route discovery process only during demand. Few of the reactive protocols include Dynamic Source Routing protocol (DSR), Ad hoc On-demand Distance Vector (AODV) protocol, Temporally Ordered Routing Algorithm (TORA), etc. There is no overhead due to periodic updates and their scalability is high. These protocols offer better route latency because of route discovery that can be surpassed by route caching. Hybrid routing protocols like Zone Routing Protocol (ZRP) possess reactive and proactive features.

Mobile ad hoc networks are hugely vulnerable to routing threats due to their dynamic topology and absence of any infrastructure. The ad-hoc networks possess a dynamic topology implying that the nodes are characteristically mobile, such that they can join or move away from the network easily at any point of time. On the other hand, they impose several non-trivial problems while designing for security since they are more susceptible to attacks compared to wired networks. They are divided mainly into Active Attack and Passive Attack. A passive attack would not perturb the normal function of mobile ad hoc network, when there is exchange of data from

the network. The intruders do not directly harm to the network. But, they can acquire knowledge for malicious attacks in the future. The kinds of passive attacks include eavesdropping and traffic analysis [5].

In active attack, an intruder always attempts to change or incur damage to the information or normal functioning on MANET. Active attacks could be either internal or external. In the case of external attack, the attacker concentrates on the ways of causing congestion in the network. To do this, they broadcast falsified information or bring in disturbance in the nodes from offering services. In the case of internal attacks, the attacker is required to have the normal access to take part in the activities of the network. The active attacks include dropping, modification, and fabrication and Timing attacks. Moreover, Security attack include Wormhole attack, Blackhole attack, Grayhole attack or Selective packet drop attack, Byzantine attack, Sybil attack and Flooding attack that comes under the network layer attacks.

Sukla Banerjee [6] introduced a technique for discovery/elimination of collaborative black and gray-hole attack in mobile ad-hoc networks. Here, rather than transmitting the entire data traffic at one point of time, the whole traffic is split into few small sized blocks. This way, the compromised nodes can be identified and eliminated during the transmission of two such blocks by guaranteeing an end-to-end verification. Source node transmits a prelude message to the destination node prior to starting to send any block, in order to signal it regarding the incoming data block. Khemariya et al [7] explains their mechanism to be capable of safeguarding against single and cooperative black hole attacks for MANETs. It is stated that even if the node is idle, it is quite successful. Nonetheless, the approach has different strategies for idle and communicating nodes.

Collaborative Attacks (CA) belong to new generation attack that can be described to be a homogeneous attack (i.e. blackhole or wormhole attack), that involves two or more number of intruding nodes; grouped under internal active attack that can be processed employing wired or wireless link and initiated by single or more than one attacker. Every individual intruder may possess specific expertise. Variable number of attacks happens while a system is intervened by multiple attackers, but they may not be necessarily collaborated. Numerous methodologies are studied with which few of the collaborative attacks can be oppressed with and identifying them easily is feasible in many attacks. But all the earlier strategies are susceptible to an entire set of collaborative attacks.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Gupta et al [8] developed a Black hole Avoidance Protocol (BAAP) that prevents black hole attack without using any specialized hardware and relying on physical medium of wireless network. This protocol employs Adhoc on demand

multipath distance vector (AOMDV). Here, in this protocol each node maintains the legitimate nature of their neighboring nodes to create the right path to destination node. In the discovery of path, an intermediate node will try to make a route, which does not pass through a node whose legitimacy ratio cuts across the lower threshold level. If the malicious node is not present, then this protocol needs some more time. With increase in mobility, packet loss also increases.

Hayajneh et al. [9] presented novel approach for wormhole detection known as De Worm that identifies alternative path to get around wormhole, by means of comparison of the length of the routes to certain threshold. De Worm performs the checking of the length of alternative routes between nodes, which are apart by a short distance and employs a forbidden list to prevent the neighboring nodes in the range of wormhole. Sender will then consider two hop neighbors to be the target, and then inform all of its neighbors to look for a path to that hop. Sender will then consider one path, decide its length and then compare it with the longest length. When the length is considerably low compared to the threshold, wormhole is identified; else the process is repeated till it reaches two hop from the actually specified destination. De Worm is not related to a particular routing protocol and this is not verified for mobile systems.

Jian-Ming Chang [10] developed a detection mechanism referred to as the cooperative bait detection scheme (CBDS), for the detection of dangerous nodes in MANETs leading to black hole attack. In this method, the source node arbitrarily chooses the address of a neighbour node to be a bait address and then a bait packet (RREQ') is transmitted to attract the malicious nodes to transmit a reply RREP. As this misbehaving node doesn't cross-check its routing table, it will send a reply although the RREQ' has a fake destination address. Every time the malicious node replies, it is saved in the black list and then it is identified to be a malicious node and stopped from taking part in the routing operation. Moreover, the packet delivery ratio gets checked at the destination and when it slips to a predefined threshold, then an alarm is transmitted by the destination node to the source node in order to initiate the detection mechanism once more.

Ngai et al. [11] first suggested a mechanism for identifying the sinkhole assaults that includes the BS in the location process, conveying a hoisted correspondence cost for the pattern. The system overflows by the BS with a solicitation message that includes the IDs of the impacted hubs. The affected hubs relay an answer to the BS with a message having their IDs, ID of the jump that follows and the corresponding cost. Then data is used from the BS to design a system stream chart for identifying the sinkhole. This detection mechanism is identical to the Ad Hoc On-interest Distance Vector Protocol (AODV) and the Dynamic Source Routing (DSR) Protocol.

Kalia and Munjal [12] presented a technique that utilizes the fuzzy based control, to identify and mitigate a kind of attack, such as the malicious packet dropping, in wireless ad-hoc network. A dangerous node in a network guarantees to forward the packets but drops or else delays them. In this method, each node in the mobile ad-hoc network transmits the route request and then waits for the acknowledgment. The requesting node evaluates the behavior of unknown node employing fuzzy technique and based on the result, the node considers this node in the route of the packet. Consequently, the states of the nodes can also be used by the routing protocol to get through those dangerous nodes. Their technique indicates that in a dynamically varying network, the method can identify many of the malicious nodes with a considerably high positive rate. Moreover, the packet delivery rate in the MANET can also be incremented in accordance.

Weerasinghe and Fu [13] developed an algorithm to detect the Collaborative Black Hole Attack. In this, the AODV routing protocol is modified slightly by having one more additional table i.e. Data Routing Information (DRI) table and then verifying employing Further Request (FREQ) and Further Reply (FREP). In case the source node (SN) does not possess the route entry to the destination, it will propagate a RREQ (Route Request) message to find a secure route to the destination node just as in the AODV. Any node which has got this RREQ either provides a reply for the request or else broadcasts it again to the network based on the availability of new route to the destination. In case the destination sends a reply, all the intermediate nodes update or insert the routing entry for that destination as the destination is always trusted. Also, the source node trusts the destination node and will begin to transmit data on the route along which reply returns back. Moreover, the source node will update the DRI table with all the intermediate nodes located between source and the destination.

Abbas et.al [14] developed a lightweight mechanism to identify the new identities of Sybil attackers without employing central trusted third party or any additional hardware, like directional antennae or a geographical positioning system. In specific, the new mechanism uses the RSS for the purpose of differentiating between the authorized and Sybil identities. First, the entry and exit characteristic of authorized nodes and Sybil nodes are demonstrated. Secondly, a threshold, which differentiates between the authorized and Sybil identities on the basis of the entry and exit behavior of the nodes. Thirdly, the detection threshold is tuned by including the RSS data fluctuation considered. Depending on the threshold, detection mechanism is applied. The mechanism can be used for both scenarios of Sybil attacks, i.e., if the new identities are formed one after another or at the same time, are just as the same to the detection process.

Yu et.al developed [15] a secure routing protocol to defend against byzantine attacks for MANETs in hostile

environments. One new algorithm identifies the internal attacks by employing both message and route redundancy during the process of route discovery. The route-discovery messages are safeguarded by means of pairwise secret keys between a source and destination and few intermediate nodes along a route created by applying public key cryptographic schemes. Also an optimal routing algorithm is combined with routing metric for the reliability and performance of the node. A node forms its reliability over its neighborhood nodes depending on the observations made on the neighbor nodes' behaviors. Both the algorithms designed can be combined into the already available routing protocols for MANETs, like ad hoc on-demand distance vector routing (AODV) and dynamic source routing (DSR) to accomplish high packet delivery ratio and security.

Shakshuk et.al [16] examined a secure intrusion-detection referred to as Enhanced Adaptive Acknowledgment (EAACK). This novel approach EAACK is developed in order to deal with three of the six drawbacks of Watchdog mechanism, including, false misbehavior, restricted transmission power, and receiver collision. EAACK comprises of three important parts, known as, ACK, secure ACK (S-ACK), and misbehavior report authentication (MRA). In this new system, it is assumed that the link between every node in the network is bidirectional. Moreover, for every communication process, both the source node and the destination node are not adversarial. Except when indicated, all the acknowledgment packets specified in this research work need to be digitally signed by its sender and then checked by its receiver. EAACK exhibits greater malicious-behavior-detection rates in some scenarios whereas it does not impact the network performances greatly.

Rathiga et.al [17] developed a new hybrid black/gray hole detection approach is for the detection of both the black and gray hole attacks in Dynamic Source Routing (DSR) protocol for MANET by employing the same method. DSR protocol dynamically finds a source route across several network hops to any destination present in the MANET. In this hybrid methodology, the initialized monitor nodes gather the packet flow information regarding the neighboring nodes. Thereafter the information distance metric is calculated employing which two detection thresholds are fixed. After this, the comparison of the distance metric for each of the nodes is done with the first threshold. In case the information distance metric of a node is higher compared to the first detection threshold, then the node is treated to be adversarial nodes. Else if the information distance metric of the nodes is less than the second threshold but not smaller than the first threshold, then the nodes are labelled as gray hole attackers whereas if they are higher than the second threshold, then the nodes are labelled as black hole attackers. The hybrid detection mechanism identifies and removes the attacks in an effective manner with better throughput, packet drop rate, packet delivery ratio and routing overhead.

Gandhewar et.al [18] investigated on detection and prevention of sinkhole attack on AODV Protocol in Mobile Adhoc. OIT chiefly comprises of four phases as Initialization Phase, Storage Phase, Investigation Phase, and Resumption Phase. This algorithm will be positioned at intermediate nodes in the network. It actually begins with Initialization phase, where AODV commences its route discovery phase by broadcasting RREQ to all of its neighbors for getting the needed shortest & new path to the destination, and then the next subsequent phase of algorithm begins by saving the required information of every RREQ in route the routing

table that chiefly includes the sequence number, hop count & node id. The routing table also saves other information such as hop count, destination sequence number, source & destination address. After this, the third phase of algorithm starts as Investigation where the source sequence number of current and earlier request is taken into consideration and then difference between them is computed. In case the source sequence number of the present route request is too high in comparison with the earlier request then the node from which the current route request received is regarded to be adversarial. This RREQ entry is removed from route routing table.

III. COMPARISON ANALYSIS

S. No	Reference	Method	Merits	Demerits
1.	Gupta et.al, (2011).	Black hole Avoidance Protocol (BAAP)	It employs an extra Legitimacy table for preventing adversarial node	Packet loss in the range of 15% to 20% of is observed.
2.	Hayajneh et al, (2000).	DeWorm scheme	It has the capability of identifying different kinds of wormhole attacks that includes physical layer wormholes	It does not discard the wormhole after its detection.
3.	Jian-Ming Chang et.al, (2015).	Cooperative Bait Detection Scheme (CBDS)	Higher packet delivery ratio Lesser routing overhead	It is not desirable for different collaborative attacks on MANETs.
4.	Ngai et al. (2006)	Network flow graph based intrusion detection	Greater detection accuracy Lesser routing overhead	Efficient statistical algorithms are needed for detecting data inconsistency and thereby locating the malicious nodes correctly
5.	Kalia and Munjal,	Fuzzy based control scheme	It attains a big true positive rate	Greater communication overhead
6.	Weerasinghe and Fu,	Modified AODV protocol	Decent performance in terms of better throughput rate and minimal packet loss percentage	It is capable of detecting just the collaborative black hole nodes.
7.	Abbas et.al, 2012.	Lightweight sybil attack detection	It identifies the Sybil identities with good accuracy even while moving.	At times, it may identify a normal node to be a Sybil node
8.	Yu et.al (2009).	Secure Routing Protocol	Greater packet delivery ratio It minimizes the link breakage rate during implementation It gives an increased prediction accuracy	It only identifies the Byzantine attacks

9.	Shakshuki et.al, 2013.	EACK Scheme	It attains a greater malicious-behavior-detection rate	hybrid cryptography methodologies are needed in order to further minimize the network overhead owing to digital signature
10.	Rathiga et.al, 2016.	hybrid black/gray hole detection approach	It attains a higher throughput, packet drop rate, packet delivery ratio and routing overhead.	It does not consider mobility and traffic factors while identifying the dangerous node.
11.	Gandhewar et.al, (2012)	AODV based Detection and prevention of sinkhole attack	Higher throughput, PDR Lesser end to end delay and Packet loss	An effective scheme is needed in order to boost the detection rate.

IV. CONCLUSION

Mobile Ad Hoc Networks are capable of establishing networks on the run in a hostile environment where it might not be feasible to implement a conventional network infrastructure. When ad hoc networks are greatly promising, there are still several issues that are yet to be overcome. Security is a vital feature for the implementation of MANET. In this research work, the challenges and solutions of the routing security attacks are overviewed in mobile ad hoc networks. Those research techniques are explained in addition to their pros and cons in detail to obtain the efficiency of all the algorithms. Several methodologies are studied with which few of the collaborative attacks can be fought back with and it is possible to have easier detection in many of the attacks. But all of the earlier approaches are susceptible to an entire set of collaborative attacks. This will be taken into consideration in future.

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