Demo: Distributed Task Execution in Mobile Ad Hoc Networks using Attributed Task Graphs

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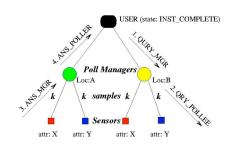
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Demo #1: TG Instantiation



All messages shown are encapsulated as TASK_DATA packets processed by TaskApp layer only.

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(b) Best Case (c) Worst Case

Detection of Disconnections

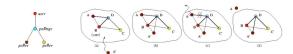
- •Disconnections between instantiated nodes causes tasks to get disrupted
- •These disconnections can be *detected* by periodic soft state HELLO messaging

Recovery from Disconnections (in taskd)

- ·Source of disconnections
 - -Network partitions due to failure or mobility
 - -Route failures for extremely long routes
- •Next steps after detection:
 - -Re-instantiation (replacement of a lost child)
 - -TG-patching (salvaging the tree below the lost child)

Demo #3: TG-Patching

Demo #2: TG Re-instantiation



- D, A, C are instantiated devices for {pollmgr, pollee, pollee} services respectively, B is the user (initiates poll/ coordinator).
- D (pollmgr / local coordinator) periodically monitors its child instances
- A (pollee) moves out of connectivity range of D (pollmgr) but
 A' is a device that also offers pollee service
- D (pollmgr) re-instantiates {pollee} with A'; informs B (user)
- B (user) updates its 2-hop logical neighborhood

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- D, A', C are currently instantiated devices for {pollmgr, pollee, pollee}
 B (user) then discovers D' which offers pollmgr service also (D' is 2
- B (user) then discovers D' which offers pollmgr service also (D' is 2 hops away from B)
- B (user) is periodically monitoring its child instance D (pollmgr) and detects a disconnection
- B (user) re-instantiates {pollmgr} with D' and passes on its 2-hop logical neighborhood information: [A',C] to D'
- D' (pollmgr) then TG-patches A' and C for {pollee}

Summary of Key Research Contributions

•A novel distributed framework for task based resource discovery and deployment

·Algorithms

- -Theoretical foundations: computational complexity issues in embedding TGs onto irregular networks (MANETs)
- New algorithms and protocols for discovery/selection of devices in the network while obeying the TG structure/attributes
- -Approximation bounds for the heuristic algorithms
- -Techniques for efficient adaptation of distributed application / task to device mobility in the MANET

•Performance Evaluation

- -Metrics for analyzing performance of the above protocols
- -Performance evaluation by extensive simulation in ns-2
- -Development of a proof-of-concept prototype in a laboratory environment on off-the-shelf hardware

·Scalability Issues

- -Service composition using hierarchical task graphs
- -Focus: reuse of service instances that have been composed before by other users
- •Future Work: Extending TG concepts to other application scenarios

Selected Publications

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