A Selective Flooding Method for Propagating Emergency Messages in Vehicle Safety Communications

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## Introduction

- Drivers typically rely on the rear brake light of front vehicle in emergency situations.
- The reaction time of drivers ranges between 0.7 and 1.5 seconds.
- If a car suffers an accident and then broadcast the Emergency Warning Message (EWM) immediately, the drivers of rear vehicle platoon may react earlier.



Picture is captured from "Vehicle-to-vehicle wireless communication protocols for enhancing highway traffic safety"

# Introduction

The problem is, in a dense vehicular network, EWMs may suffer serious collisions in conventional flooding.

### Related works

- Exchange location information from GPS.
- Distance Defer Transmission (DDT)
  - Iocation of sender is stamped in EWM, and nodes with longer distance will have shorter defer time.
- Source broadcast EWM periodically, and receivers send their own EWM or ignore the message if the direction is contrary.

# Least Common Neighbor Flooding

#### Common neighbor:

#### A and C have a common neighbor, B



# Least Common Neighbor Flooding

- The Least Common Neighbor node (LCN)
  - Node with minimum number of common neighbors of sender.
- Estimate relative distance from sender.
- No location information exchange periodically.
- LCN has minimum transmission defer time.
- Nodes will discard the duplicate packets.

# Least Common Neighbor Flooding



#### **Table 1. Simulation Parameters**

Simulation parameters		
Parameter	Value	
Node density	50~500	
Vehilce speed	80~120km/h	
Simulation area	2500m X 2500m	
Number of events	10	
MAC protocol	IEEE 802.11	
Radio range	250m	
Emergency message's TTL	5	
Vehicle acceleration	3 times each	
Simulation time	30 seconds	



#### Figure 5. The number of forward packets



Figure 6. The number of received packets



Figure 7. The percentage of effective packets

When the number of nodes is 500:

	Pure Flooding	LCN Flooding
Total forward packets	3,000	750
Total received packets	170,000	70,000
Non-duplicate packets	2%	4%

# Conclusion

#### Advantages:

- Neighbor information is retrieved from overhearing or hello message.
- No location information exchange overhead.
- Node with longest distance will rebroadcast first.
- Disadvantages:
  - Direction problem.