

MISDIRECTION ATTACK IN WIRELESS SENSOR NETWORK: A SURVEY

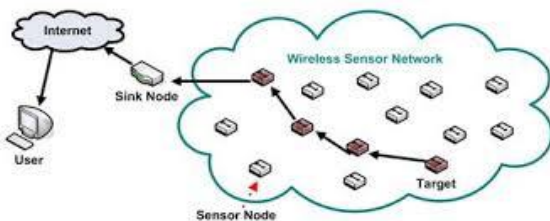
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Abstract: *Wireless Sensor Network (WSN) has a great potential to be deployed in wide range of applications like consumer, industrial and defense sectors. The WSNs consists of thousands of sensor nodes which are battery-powered and one or more sinks or base stations which collect data from the nodes. These sensor nodes are battery-powered with a limited lifetime and additional energy can be harvested from the external environment. Wireless sensor networks are vulnerable to different kinds of attack. Misdirection attack is one of the Denial of Service Attack in which malicious node misdirect the packets to other nodes but not to the intended recipient. So it can reduce the network throughput and also increase end to end delay.*
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I. INTRODUCTION

In, wireless sensor network it consist multiple base station, sink nodes, and Sensor nodes, which are more prone to failure and energy drain, and their battery sources are usually not replaceable or rechargeable. In WSNs there are two other components, called 'base station' and 'aggregation points', which are more powerful resources than other normal sensors. Aggregation points collect information from their neighbors sensors, integrate them and then forward to the base stations according to multi-path routing to process gathered data. The below figure 1 explain basic working of Wireless Sensor Network.



A. Issues and Challenges of Wireless Sensor Network:

- Scalability: In wireless sensor network number of sensor node deployed in sensing area may be increase in the order of hundreds, thousands or more and routing scheme must be scalable enough to respond to the events.
- Fault tolerance: In wireless sensor network, in such cases sensor nodes may blocked or be fail due to physical damage ,lack of power or environmental interference, ability to sustain sensor network functionality without interruption due to sensor node failure.

- Computational capabilities: Embedded processors in sensor nodes generally do not as powerful as they are in wired network.
- Quality of service (Qos): Quality of service required in terms of length of life time, data reliable, energy efficiency and location awareness collaborative processing data within certain period of time form the sensor.
- Communication range: The communication range is limited so actual transmission range is achieved from a given transmission signal strength that generally depend on various environmental factors.
- Random deployment: Random deployment means setting position of wireless sensor network randomly an independently in target area. Sensor nodes are randomly deployed and generally do not fit into any regular topology. Once deployed, they usually do not require architectures, internet of things, outsourcing, etc. That is the reason why cloud is mistaken for any human intervention. Hence, the setup and maintenance of the network should be entirely autonomous.
- Security: Security is the most important challenge in wireless sensor network. In network some confidential data are pass through different node, so that must be secure in network.

B. Different types of attacks in wireless sensor network:

There are various types of attacks in wireless sensor network. Which are categorized below:

List of Attacks	Description of Attacks
Black Hole Attack	The intruder node listens to the route requests and then replies to the intended node informing that it has the shortest path to the base station.
Hello Flood	In a WSNs intruder node send Hello packets just to announce themselves as neighbor to the sensor nodes.

Sybil Attack	Intruder node can behave to be more than one node at the same time using the identities of other nodes. Sybil attack nodes means kind of multiple fake identity.
Selective Forwarding	A intruder node during transmission through routing acts as a normal node, that simply by forwarding messages but selectively drops secure packets which are very hard to detect.
False Identity Broadcast Flooding	Similar to simple broadcast flooding except the attacker deceives with wrong source ID.
False Identity Target Flooding	The intruder uses wrong source ID.
Misdirection Attack	Intruder node can misdirect the packet to different nodes instead of destination node.

Table: Threats And Attacks in Wireless Network [5]

C. Denial of Service Attack:

There are different types of Dos attacks in WSN, which can disrupt the whole network. The main goal of this attack is to overloading targeted network with traffic. Misdirection attack is one of the Dos attack which can decrease the performance of network and increase the end to end delay.

D. Misdirection Attack:

Misdirection attack is the most popular Denial of Service Attack. In this attack, instead of passing packet to the intended node intruder node redirect it to other direction.

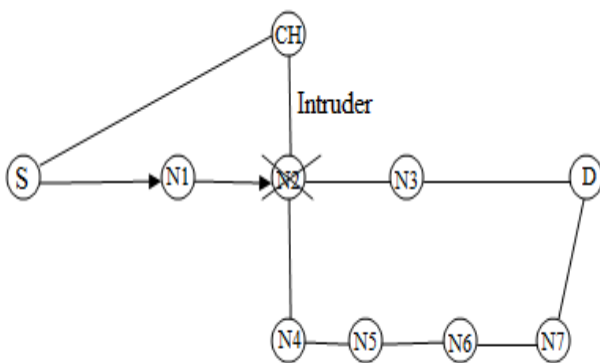


Fig: Intruder node misdirect the packet to other node

Types of Misdirection attack. It can be performed in two ways:[1]

- Packets forwarded to a node large away from the destination: This kind of misdirection attack is very dangerous because all packets are forwarded to a sensor node far away, preventing them to reach the destination so packets will not reach destination. Due to the attack the delay becomes infinite and decrease the throughput.
- Packets forwarded to a node close to actual destination: This kind of misdirection attack is less intense. Because in this, packet is sent to the destination node but via a long route. So network delay is increased and throughput is decrease.

E. Intrusion Detection System (IDS)

In wireless sensor network security is an important issue. So in order to operate in secure way, it is necessary to detect intrusion before attacker can damage the network. Intrusion Detection system is required in Wsn because it can detect the intruder node from network and prevent other sensor nodes from the attacks. "Intrusion is an unauthorized (unwanted) activity in a network that is either achieved passively or actively.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

A. "A Cluster Based Intrusion Detection and Prevention Technique for Misdirection Attack inside WSN". [1]. In this paper a novel Cluster Based Intrusion Detection and Prevention Technique is used for Misdirection Attack. In this paper they selected a cluster head for particular cluster. Sensor nodes users the buffer for store the information. And regarding this information cluster head detect the intruder node.

B. "An algorithm to detect Malicious Nodes in Wireless Sensor Network using enhanced LEACH protocol" [2]. In this paper LEACH approach is used. this protocol balance the energy consumption in sensor network. In the working principle of LEACH CH node is randomly selected. They can use the secret key for check the authentication. Sensor nodes compute MAC with this secret key over message and destination address and then send it to cluster head. CH has its own database key which are preshared with its nodes and base station. CH makes MAC address of received message using this secret key. If it is matched then send message to the node otherwise send back to the sensor node. And they use different types of technique for detection of intruder node.

C. "Preventing Denial service of attack in wireless sensor network" [3]. In this paper they present a method for detection and prevention of Dos attack. In detection method they are used special control nodes for monitoring the throughput of traffic in cluster. In this technique cluster head are selected using recursively LEACH clustering algorithm. If one node transmit packets more than threshold value then node consider it as a intruder node. When this malicious

node is detected in network, All the packets which are sent by this sensor node are blocked and broadcast it as a intruder node in all the cluster.

D. "Intrusion Detection Based Security Solution for Cluster Based WSN" [4]. In this paper they have illustrated MAC address, IP address, Port Number based intruder tracking system for cluster based wireless sensor networks. This proposed system is very energy-efficient for early detection and prevention of security threats and different attacks. Early detection and prevention of the intruder node by efficient security system can prevent many problems like slowing down of the network, sending of forged data, etc. By designing a security system in which the Base Station (BS) keeps track of the security of the Wireless network, high security can be ensured without any significant energy overheads on individual nodes and cluster heads.

E. "Detection and prevention of misdirection attack by third party monitoring in WSN" [5]. In this paper they have illustrated detection and prevention technique for misdirection attack. They are created CH-buffer database and receiver-buffer database for each source and destination transmission. They consist three module, which are Cluster head election, path identification, malicious node detection. Ch selection is done by energy model. Sensor Node which have highest energy is selected as a Cluster head. Path identification can be done using DSDV protocol. In implemented intruder detection source node maintains CH-buffer database and destination node maintains a received-buffer database. After transmission of packet, compare both database if both matches then transmission take place else intruder node is identified.

III. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Wireless sensor networks collect sensitive information from sensor nodes. Sometimes some confidential information is exchange between nodes. This information can be leaked or altered because many attacks are possible. Therefore, securing information is important in designing a sensor network. For example, one of the most challenging security threats is denial of service attack, whose goal is to disrupt the whole operation of sensor network. This can be done by different types of attacks, one of it is a misdirection attack, which is the most popular type of Dos attack. Misdirection attack can be perform in different ways. In misdirection attack intruder node misdirect packets away from the intended destination. Misdirection attack in wireless sensor network reduces the throughput of network along with the introduction of large end to end delay. So, there is some technique required for detection and prevention of intruder in wireless network to protect it from miss direction attack and also maintain network performance. To develop this technique we have to select cluster head for protecting cluster from misdirection attack.

IV. PROPOSED WORK

We can select the cluster head using energy efficient model. So highest energy level node is selected as a cluster head. Source node maintains buffer corresponding to each packet. This buffer contains entry of each sent packet with time stamp value corresponding to each packet sequence number. Source node also shares this buffer to the cluster head. Cluster head compares all sequence numbers of packets stored in its buffer to the sequence numbers of packets stored in buffer of all intermediate nodes with stamp value. If packet mismatch or empty entry is found in the buffer at a particular node, then the previous node will be omitted. The detection process again starts right from the beginning. It again searches for another optimum route for the secure communication. Thus any misdirection attack is easily detected and prevented with the proposed technique.

V. CONCLUSION

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