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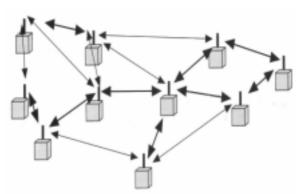
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Context

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 - Ad hoc network with mobile nodes using a simple mobility model
 - We are interested in certain simple stochastic properties of this process
- The assignment is about ...
 - Creating a discrete event simulator for the above network
 - Requires handling of mobile movement but ...
 - NO traffic needs to be simulated

Ad hoc networks

- IETF working group: MANET (Mobile Ad Hoc Networks)
- Characteristics
 - Wireless meshed network where communication occurs over multihop paths
 - No centralized control (no base station)
 - Nodes communicate directly with other nodes that are immediately within radio coverage
 - Nodes act as relays for the traffic from other nodes
 - Nodes can join and leave the network
- Applications
 - Conferences and meetings
 - Tactical communications for military and emergency workers



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Mobility modeling (1)

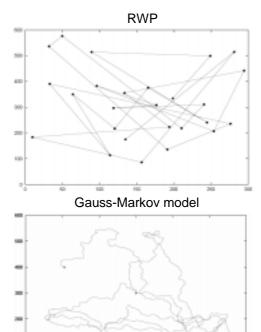
- Much of ad hoc networking research based on simulations
- Mobility model is an important component in the simulations
- Two broad classes of mobility models
 - Simple, so called synthetic models
 - Realistic models
- Mobility affects many aspects in performance of networking mechanisms
 - Traffic load, routing, reliability...

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Mobility modeling (2)

- Realistic models
 - Often utilizes measurement based information
 - More complex to utilize
- Synthetic models
 - Do not aim at imitating human movement
 - Mobility is random and the movement rules are as simple as possible
 - Facilitates implementation but movement is still sufficient for evaluating the performance of a given protocol
 - Also, models that include topography info, group mobility...
- Properties of simple models can be analyzed analytically
 - Impact of mobility on performance may also be analyzed

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CNCL assignment

- In this assignment a very simple mobility model is studied and some of its properties are verified
- You are given an example skeleton code for the task
 - Makefile, cnclexer.c
- Your task is to
 - implement the mobility model
 - implement the statistics collection
 - perform statistical analysis

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