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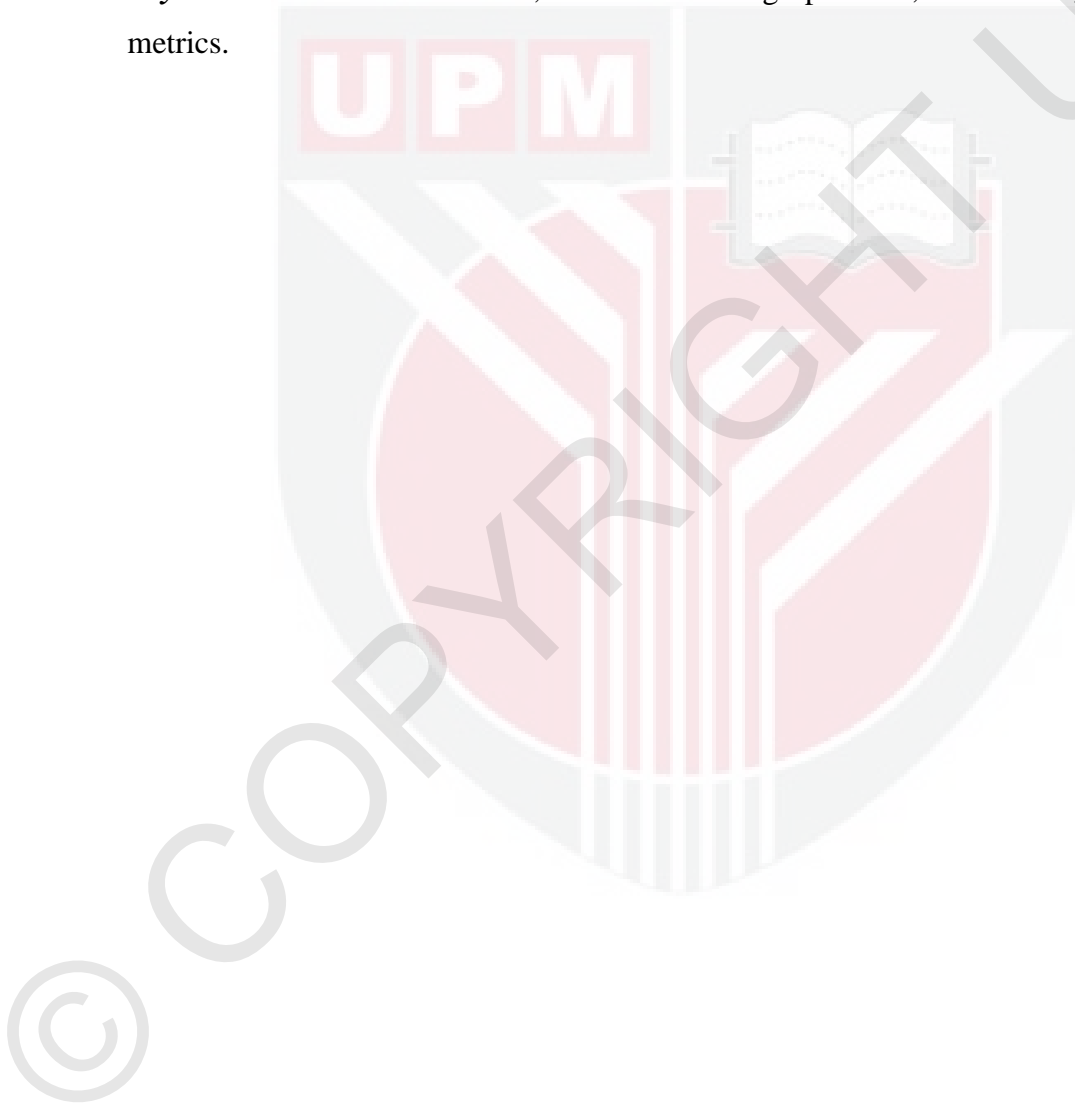
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**Abstract**

Mobile ad-hoc network (MANET) is a standout amongst the most dynamic exploration subjects amid the earlier years. Mobile Ad-hoc networks are wireless, self-configurable as well as infrastructure-less networks which, can help in communicating information from one node to another using the intermediate nodes as a router. As the devices have mobility here, the network is dynamic in nature and it is quite often to re-establish the connection again and again. Because of the environment of ad-hoc network, dynamic, infrastructure-less and self-organizing, MANETs are vulnerable to several kinds of attacks and the black hole is one of the network layer attacks. In this type of attack, the black hole node uses the maximum destination sequence number to lure the sender node, to send packets via the shortest path, so that it will drop or alter the packets intentionally instead of sending them to the destination. Thus, the black hole nodes will reduce the network performance. The major goal of our project is to evaluate the performance of MANETs with and without the black hole node. Network simulator NS2.34 used for the simulation of the network within three different number mobile nodes (50, 150,

and 165). The parameters used for evaluating the network performance are packet delivery ratio, an end-to-end delay, throughput and packet drop. The evaluation of two different scenarios using AODV routing protocol such as varying the number of black hole nodes and different mobility speed of the nodes. The analysis of generated trace files can be performed with the help of awk script. And then we will apply an algorithm that can offer better performance evaluation of the MANET compare to previous work[1].

**Keyword:** black hole attack, AODV routing protocol, MANETs, performance metrics.



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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AODV	Ad-Hoc on Demand Routing Vector
MANETS	Mobile Ad-Hoc Network
RREP	Route Reply
RREQ	Route Request
RERR	Request route error
DN	Destination node
SN	Source node
MN	Malicious node
CBR	Constant Bit Rate
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
DSR	Dynamic Source Routing
DOS	Denial of Service
NS2	Network Simulator 2
TORA	Temporally Ordered Routing Algorithm
DSDV	Destination-Sequenced Distance-Vector
OLSR	Optimized Link State Routing Protocol

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# CHAPTER ONE

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

(MANET) is a group of mobile nodes which it has the ability to communicate with each other without any fixed infrastructure, like mobile switching centers or base stations[2]. In MANET, connectivity and communication is complete from node to node by sending the messages through radio broadcast medium. Thus, MANET can be used in military services, battlefields, emergency cases such as floods, earthquake, fire etc. Moreover, each hub in ad-hoc network perform as a router and switch when it requesting for giving data from/to diverse nodes within the network. However, the traditional copper wired network limited bandwidth which it uses for communication. According to the nature and characteristics of MANET which is less infrastructure and self-organized it causes some issues for MANET like service discovery, mobility management, Quality of Services, security, bandwidth constraints etc. [3].Amongst all of these issues, security is one of the most critical research issues in MANET. The security issues might occur in different subjects such as frequent changes of network topology, lack of central monitoring, open medium node mobility etc. In addition, it is vulnerable to numerous types of attack such as impersonation, sinkhole attack, Sybil attack, denial of Service attack, wormhole attack, eavesdropping, Black hole attack etc.[4].

In this project, we will emphasize on the black hole attack which is one of the most severe kinds of attack in MANET. In this type of attack, the malicious node can simply use the highest sequence number of the destination to attract the sender node, to drive the packets via the shortest path. So that, it will drop or alter all packets intentionally instead of forwarding them to the destination.

Routing protocols have been made to determine how routers communicate with each other and how to select routers between any two nodes on the network. Several routing methods have been designed for MANETs such as AODV, DSR or OLSR and so on.[5]

The purpose of this work is to study the effect of black hole attack in two different network scenarios such as a number of black hole nodes, and mobility speed of nodes using AODV routing protocol. Figure 1.1 illustrates the mobile ad-hoc network.



**Figure 1.1: Mobile Ad-hoc network**



## 1.2 Organization of this project

The project is consists of five chapters. Chapter 1 describes the introduction, problem statement, research motivation, scope, and objective of the study. Chapter two provides the background of the subject as well as the related work. Chapter 3 describe the methodology of the study. Chapter 4 shows the implementation result and analysis. Finally, we conclude the project, summary of objectives, contribution and future work.



### 1.3 Problem statement

The network security issues are all associated to malicious nodes or hubs that purposely deteriorate or compromise the network functionality. Mobile ad-hoc network copes different types of security threats i.e. attack that is achieved against them to interrupt the normal performance of the networks. However, many of the researchers have proposed methods and techniques that can prevent and detect the black-hole attack, to build a secure Ad-hoc network in several ways. In black-hole attack malicious node use its routing protocol to know other node that it has shortest path in the direction of destination and the aggressor drop the packet to decrease the amount of information that obtainable to other nodes. This type of attack made intentionally for denial of service type attack. This make destination system unreachable or shutdown in network.

## 1.4 Research Motivation

Wireless ad-hoc networks improved significant distinguish in wireless connections. Wireless connections made by hubs acting as switches and routers from single mobile node to another in MANET. As ad-hoc network come to widely used, the security case has come to be one of the critical arrangements for the entire times. The Black Hole attack, consider one of the most well-known attack that is the public in the on-demand routing protocols like AODV. Due to AODV protocol lack to devices, a malignant node can achieve several attacks in the network only by acting according to AODV rules.

## 1.5 Scope and objectives of the study

In this thesis, we will evaluate the effect of single and multiple black hole attacks in MANET by using a reactive routing protocol (ad-hoc on demand distance vector AODV). Then, the simulation will examine the performance of MANET within different number of mobile nodes (50, 150, and 165) within two different network scenarios like a various number of black hole nodes and mobility speed of nodes. The performance of the MANET is done by using network simulator (NS2.24). Additionally, the performance evaluation of MANET without the black hole and a different number of black hole nodes (1-5) as well as different mobility speed 0 – 10 m/s, along with diverse network parameters such as packet delivery ratio, throughput, packet drop, end-to-end delay.

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