

# An Intrusion Prevention Scheme for Wormhole Attacks in Mobile Ad Hoc Networks

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## ABSTRACT

In recent years, wireless ad hoc networks is an increasingly popular topic. It is a node-to-node transmission model. The nodes communicate with each other via wireless ad hoc networks technology, and thus form wireless local area networks. Nowadays, some literature points out that this kind of framework encounters lots of security threats, such as location disclosure, routing table poisoning, wormhole attack and so on. However, the wormhole attack is a more serious threat among them because most secure route mechanisms can not effectively avoid it. This kind of attack gets better transmission parameters than normal route does by quicker transmission through two malicious nodes. And then it controls the route operation under some sections of environment in order to devastate or steal confidential information. Although at present many scholars proposed that wormhole attacks can be detected by intrusion detection systems, most detection mechanisms still rely on special hardware, consume enormous system resources or need to make propose some assumptions which are not under wireless conditions. Consequently, in this thesis, we design an intrusion prevention scheme which needs only low system resources in mobile ad hoc networks to avoid the wormhole attack effectively.

Keywords : wormhole attack ; mobile ad hoc networks ; intrusion prevention ; network security

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