

Wireless networks

Routing: DSR, AODV

Routing in Ad Hoc Networks

- Goals
 - Adapt quickly to topology changes
 - No centralization
 - Loop free routing
 - Load balancing among different routes in case of congestion
 - Supporting asymmetric communications
 - Low overhead and memory requirements
 - Security

Routing in Ad Hoc Networks (2)

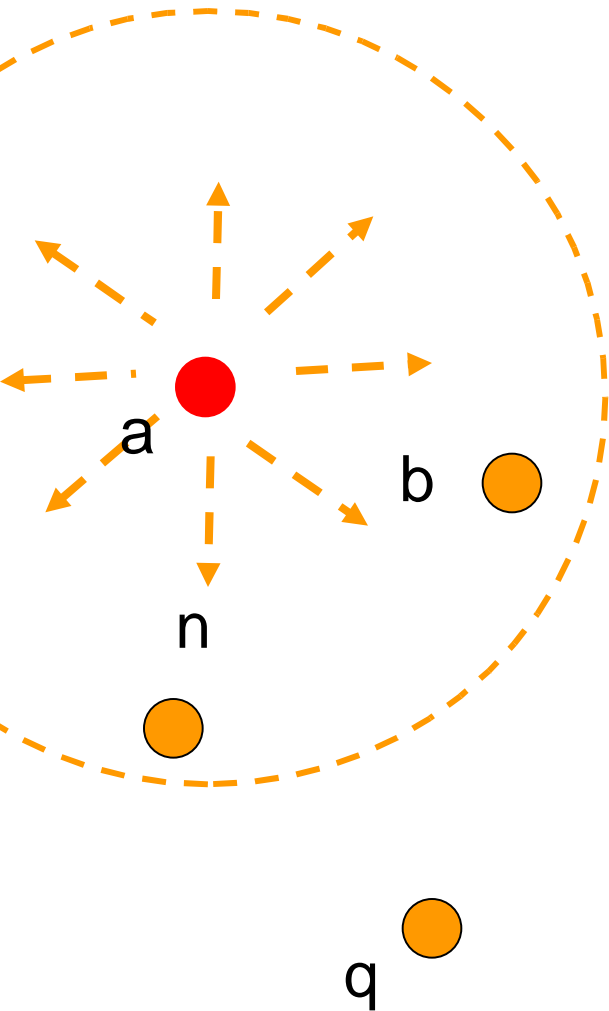
- Many proposal
- Proactive routing protocols
 - attempt to maintain consistent, up to date routing information from each node to every other node in the network
- Reactive
 - Discover a route when desired by the source node
 - DSR AODV
- Hybrid

Routing Model: HN as graphs

- In the discussion of routing algorithm we use a more convenient model for ad Hoc Networks
 - Each terminal/station is represented as a node in a graph
 - Each directed arc (i,j) states that station j is within the radio range of i , and can receive packets from i

Example: HN graph

Stations **n** and **b** are in the radio range
Of **a**



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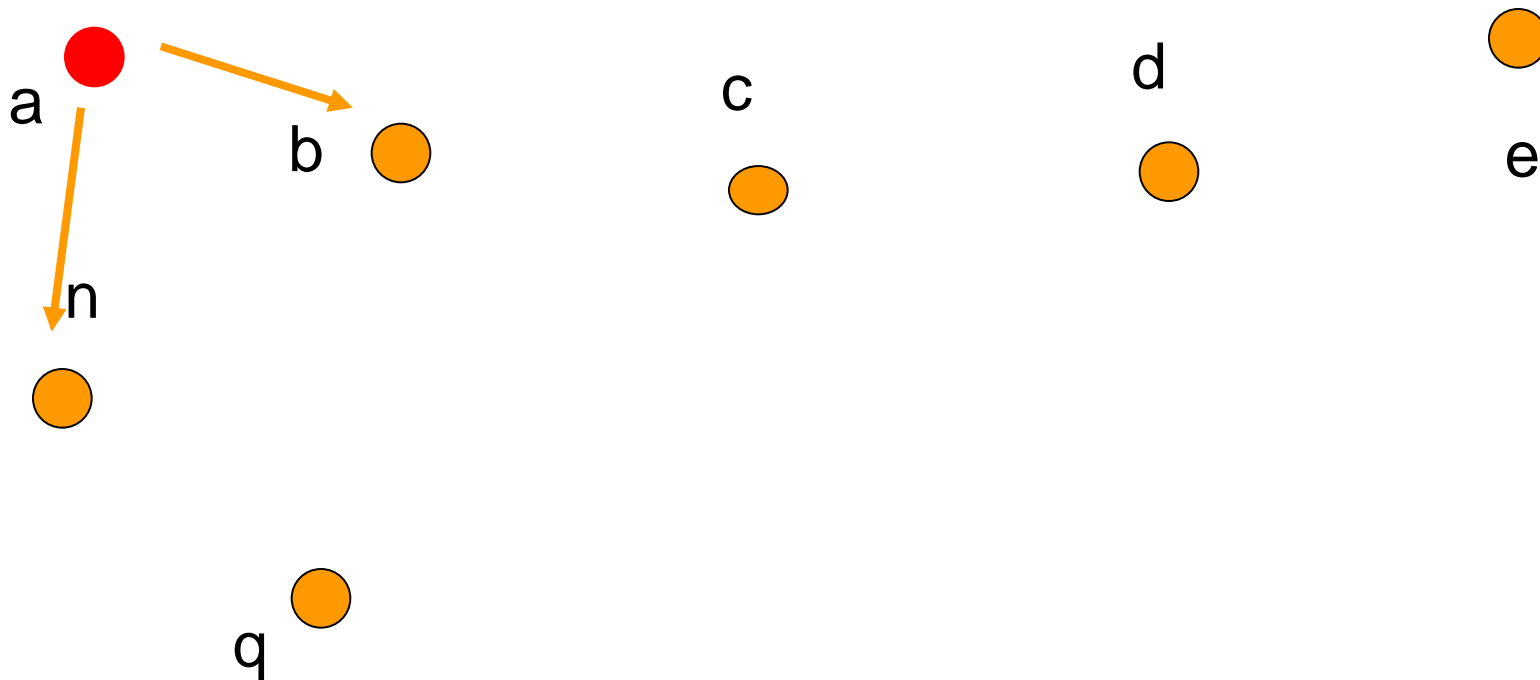
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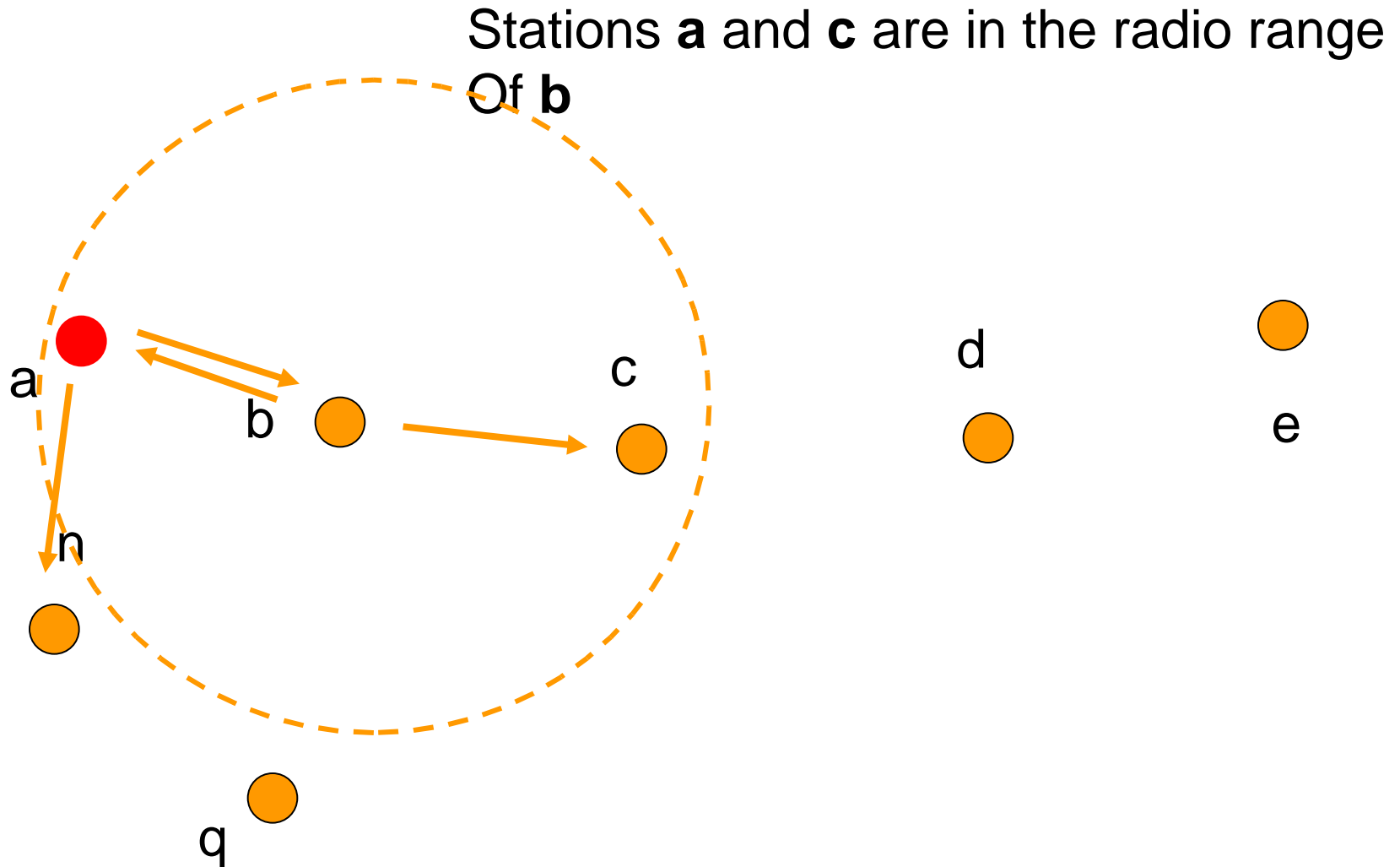
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Example: HN graph (2)

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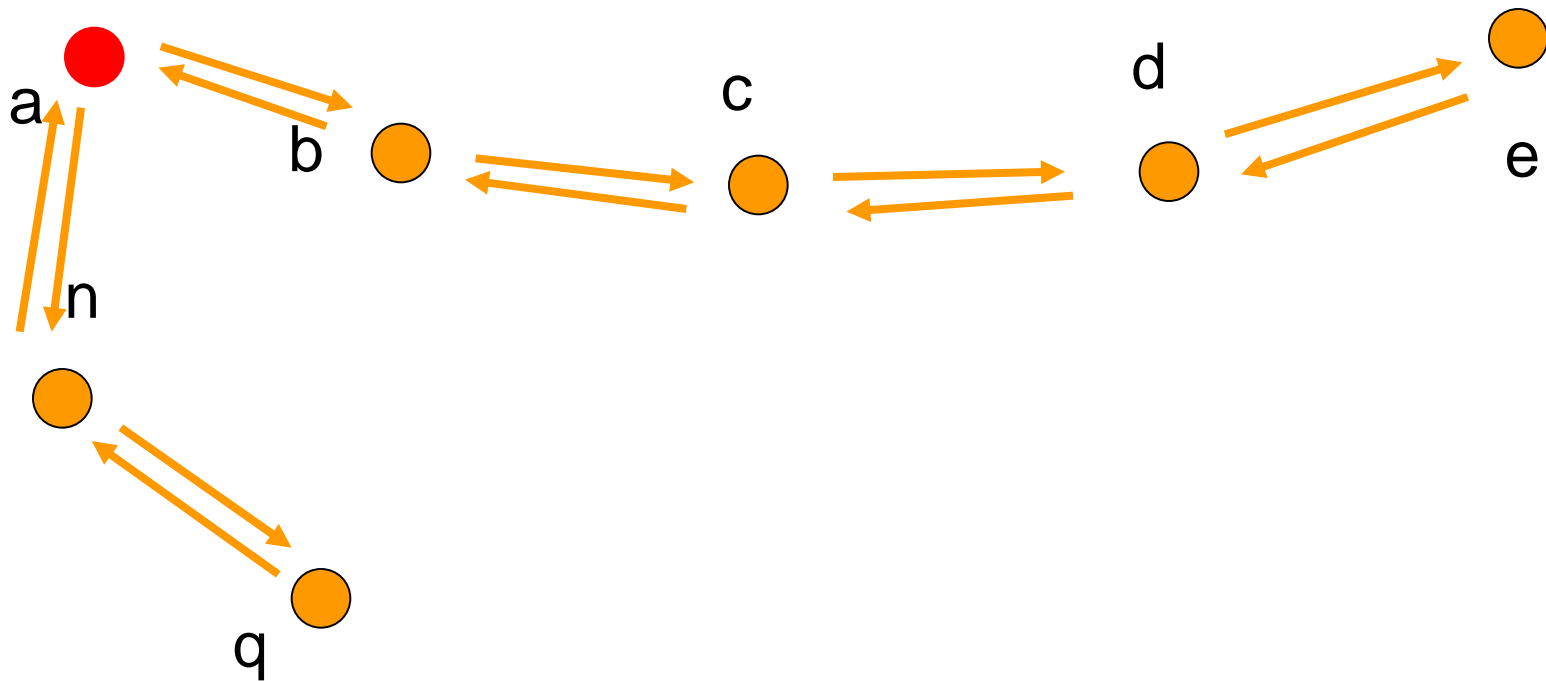


Example: HN graph (3)



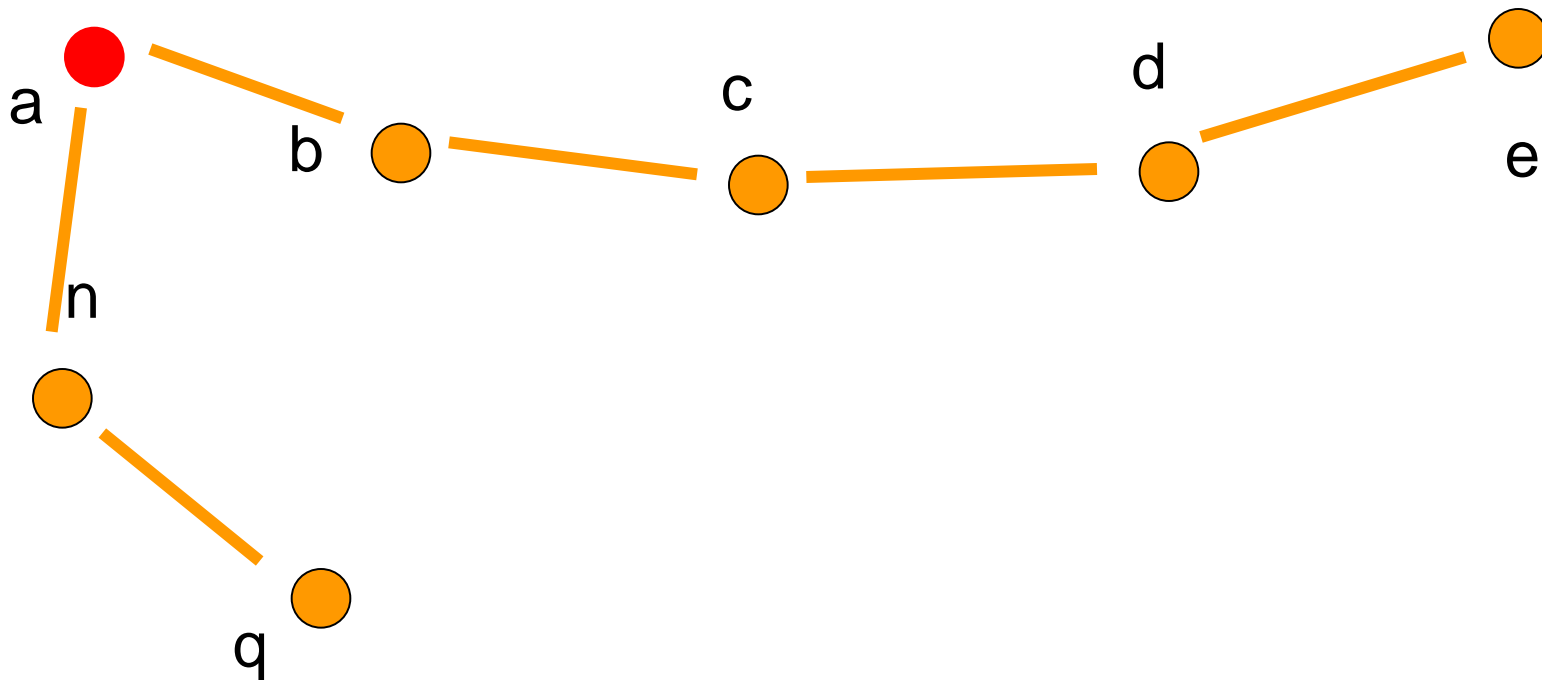
Example: HN graph (3)

Following



Example: HN graph (4)

If we assume same radio range for
All nodes and circular transmission area
Links are *symmetric* and we can use an
undirected graph



Dynamic Source Routing

- RFC 4728 IETF-MANET working group
- Proposed in 1994 by Johnson
 - Monarch Project - CMU
- Source routing
- Goals:
 - Low overhead
 - React quickly to changes in the network
 - No centralization point

DSR: assumptions

- Cooperative nodes:
 - All nodes want to participate fully in the network protocol and will forward packets for other nodes
- Small network diameter
 - The number of hops needed to travel from any node at the extreme edge of the network (*diameter*) is small (around 5-10) but greater than 1

DSR: assumptions (2)

- Corrupted packets
 - A corrupted packet can be recognized and discarded by its destination
- Mobile nodes
 - Nodes in the network may move at any time without notice. Speed is moderate wrt packet transmission latency
- Bidirectional Symmetric links
 - If node i can reach node j in its radio range, then then communication from j to i can be established as well

DSR: basic mechanisms

- **Route Discovery (RD)**
 - By which a node **S** wishing to send a packet to **D** obtains a source route to **D**. It is used only if no route is already known.
- **Route Maintenance (RM)**
 - By which **S**, which already knows a route to **D**, is able to detect that topology has changed and that route is no longer available. In this case **S** can use any other route it happens to know or invoke **RD** again

DSR: Route Discovery

- **S** originated a packet for **D**
 - **S** searches for a source route **r** to **D** in its *Route Cache*
 - If it finds it, **S** places **r** in the header of the new packet and sends it
 - Otherwise it starts a Route Discovery protocol sending a *route request*
 - **S** is called the *initiator* of RD
 - **D** is called the *target* of RD

DSR: Route Discovery Protocol

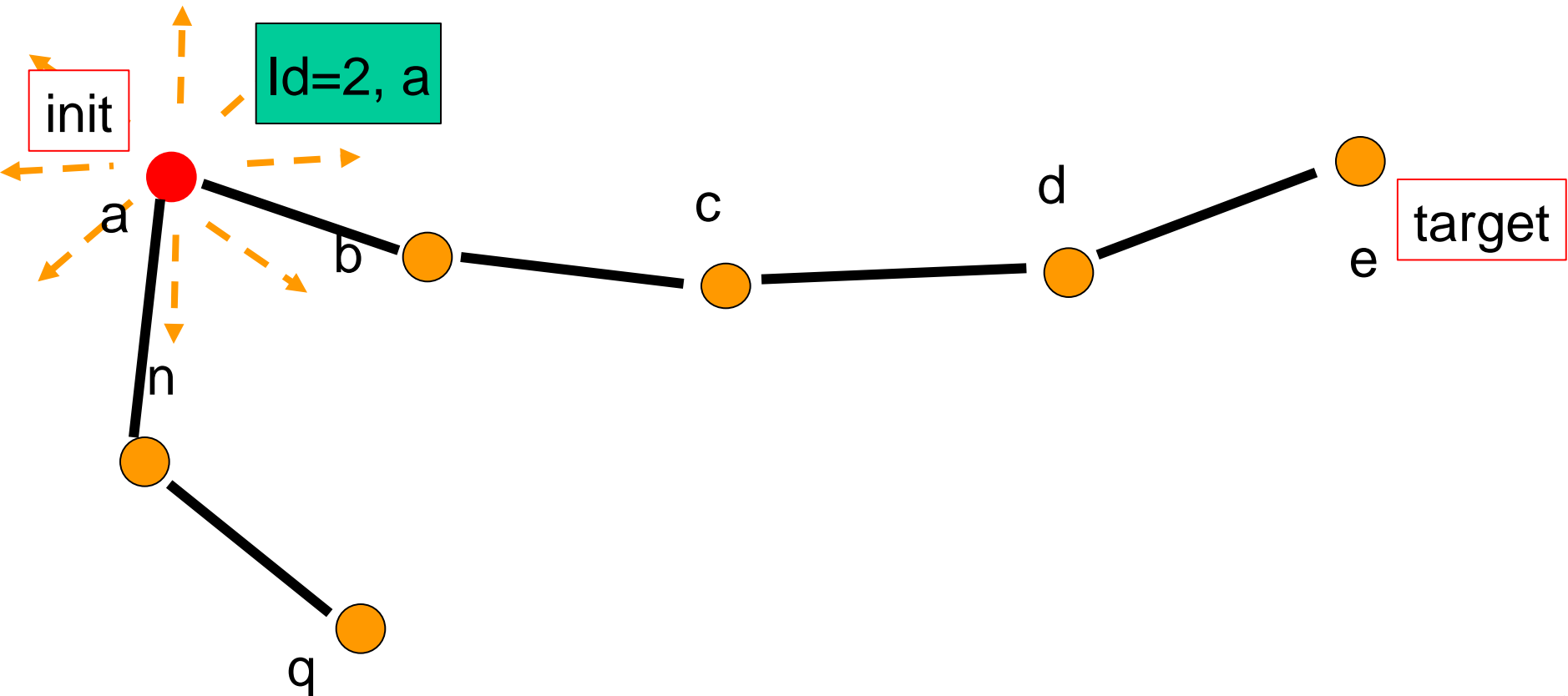
- Sending a Route Request
 - **S** sends a *route request* message to all the nodes it can reach directly (local broadcast)
 - Each copy of *route request* contains
 - initiator, target and (unique) request ID
 - The list of nodes through which this particular copy has been forwarded (initially empty)

DSR: Route Discovery Protocol (2)

- Replying to a Route Request
 - When the target **D** gets a *route request*
 - Returns a route reply message to the route discovery initiator **S** including a copy of the accumulated route record in the request. When the initiator gets this reply it caches the route in its cache for subsequent use.
 - A node **N** (not the target) that gets a *route request*
 - If it is already present in the list, or it has received a request recently with the same ID: discards the message
 - Otherwise it appends its own address to the route record and forwards it with a local broadcast

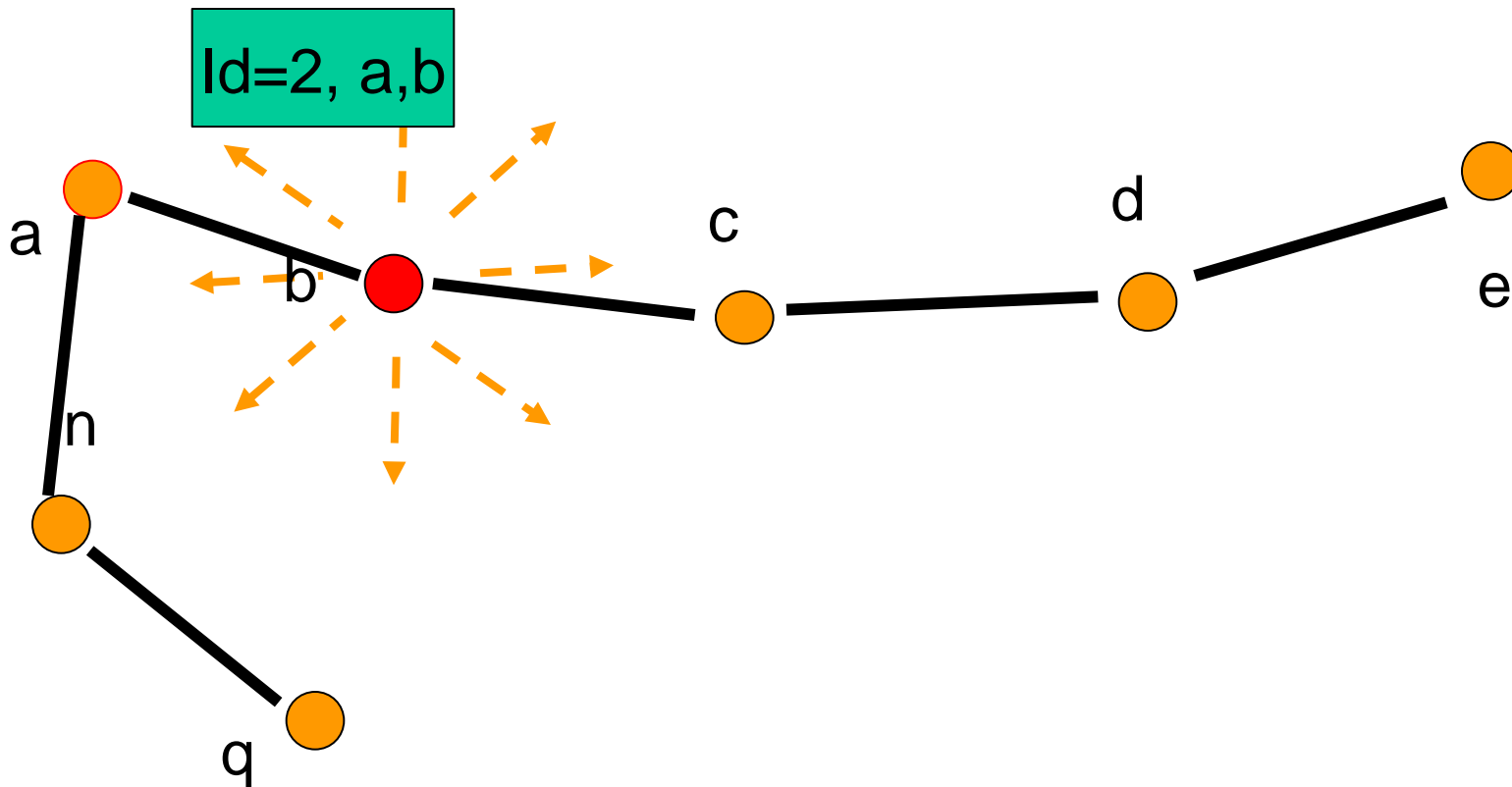
Example: Route Discovery Protocol

a (the initiator) sends a route request, with request ID **2** and route record **a**



Example: RD Protocol (2)

b forwards the route request (ID **2**) with route record **a,b**

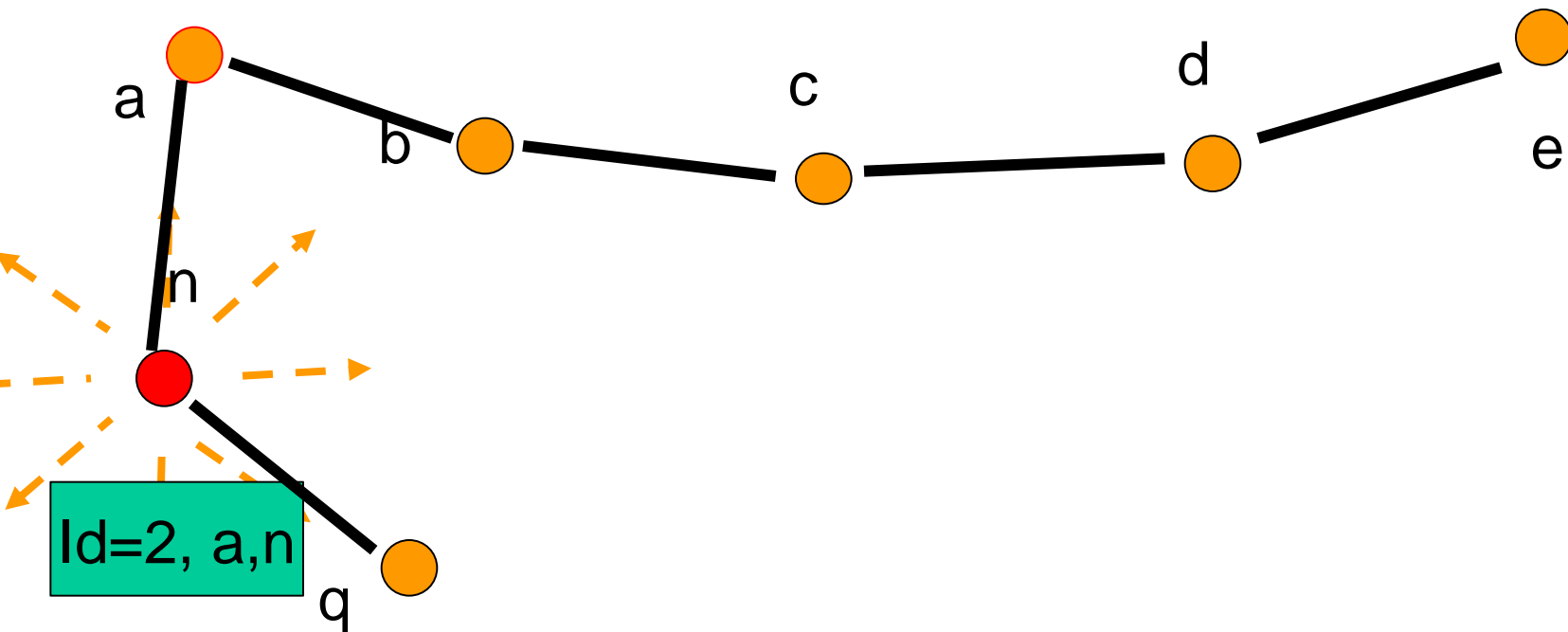


Example: RD Protocol (3)

n forwards the route request
(ID **2**) with route record **a,n**

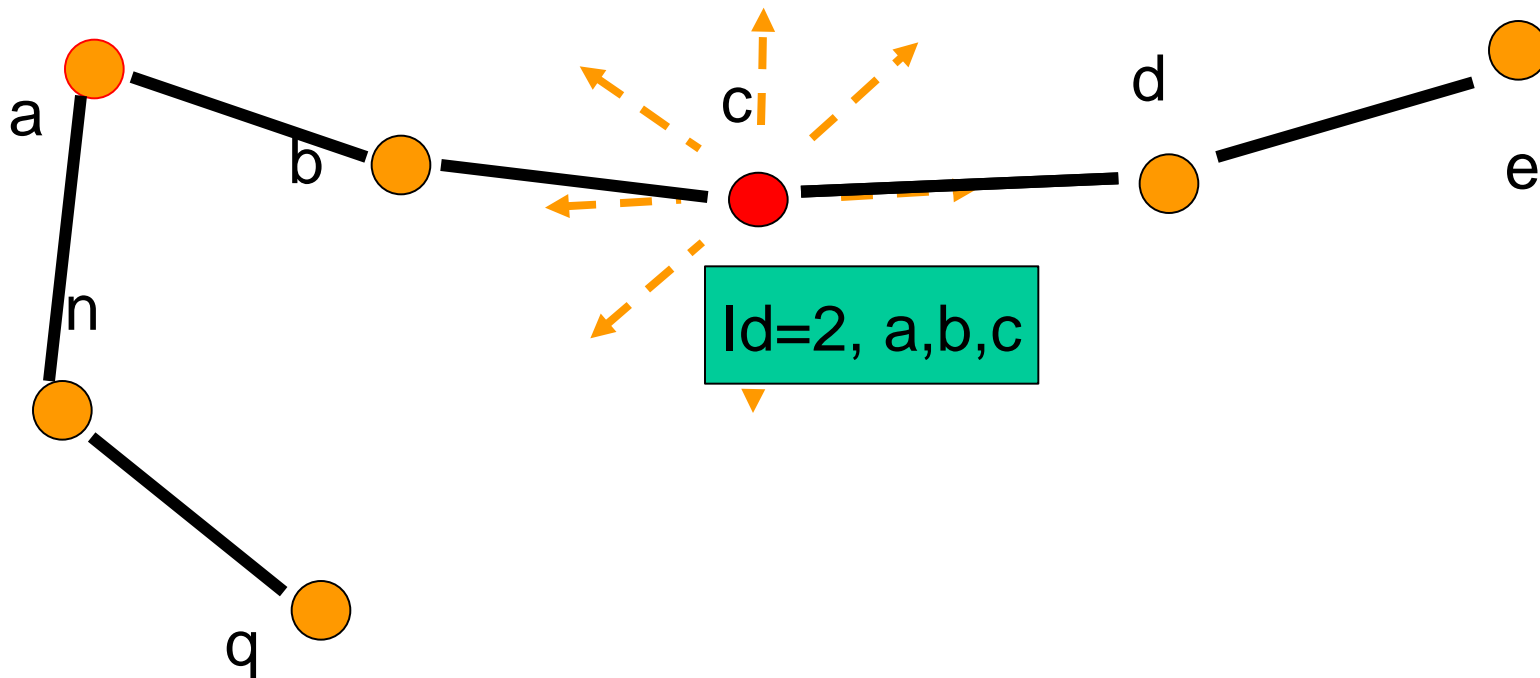
a will discard the msg (already in list)

And **b** will discard the msg (just
processed same id)



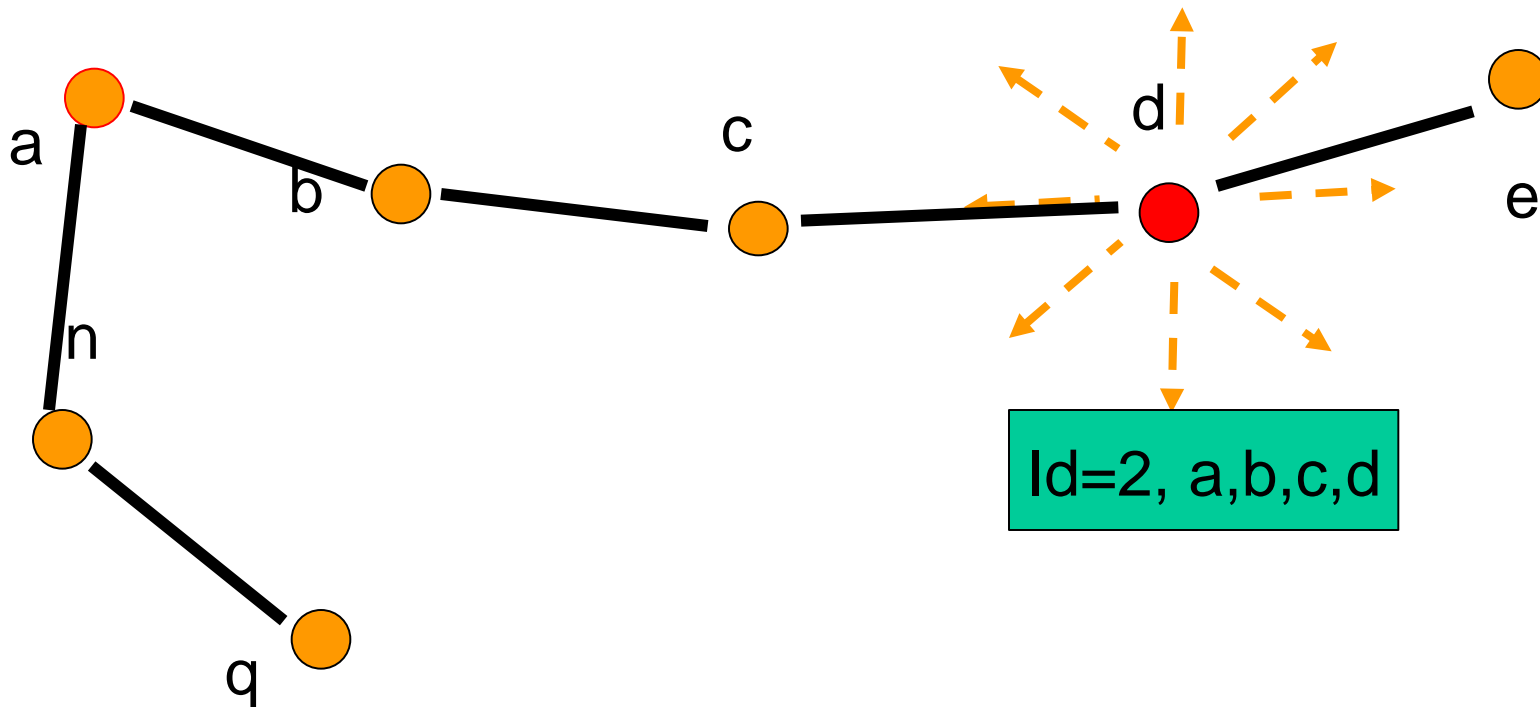
Example: RD Protocol (4)

c forwards the route request (ID **2**) with route record **a,b,c**



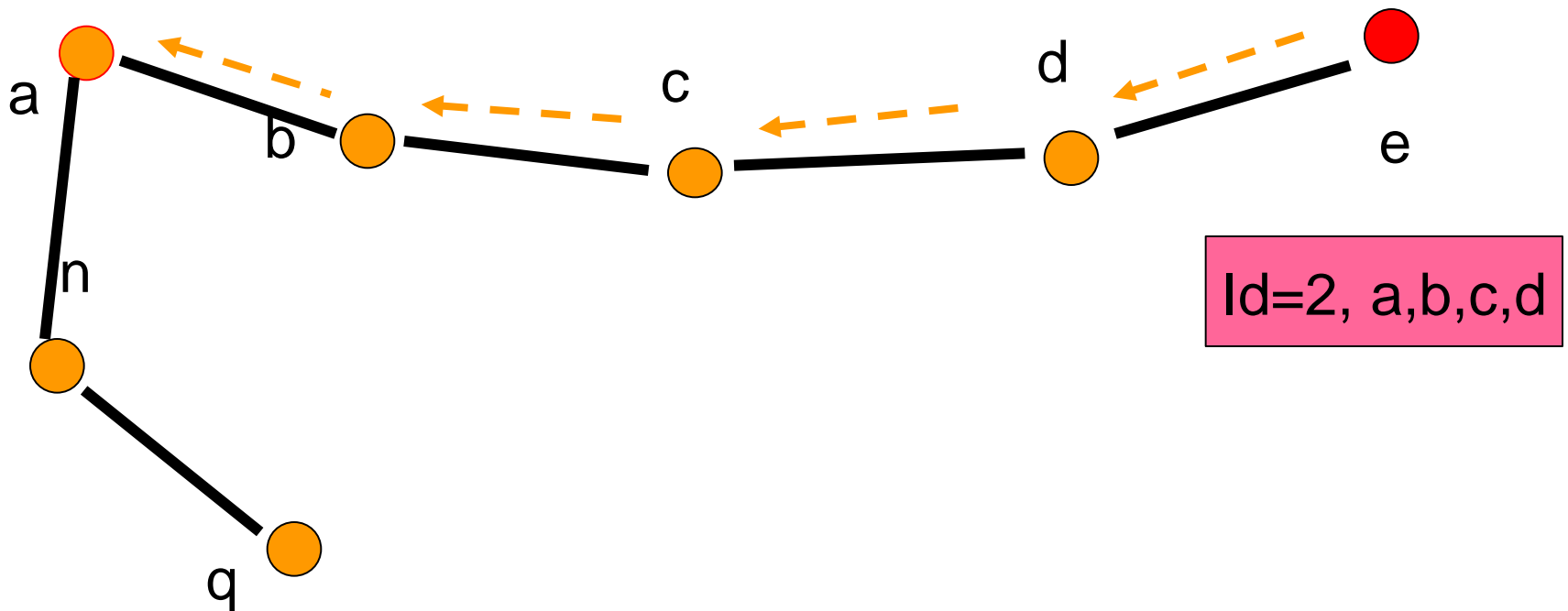
Example: RD Protocol (5)

d forwards the route request (ID **2**) with route record **a,b,c,d**



Example: RD Protocol (6)

e (the target) is reached and sends a route reply with route record **a,b,c,d**



DSR: Returning a route reply

- Examines Route Cache
 - Target looks for a route back to initiator in its own cache and, if found, uses it for delivering the packet containing the Route Reply
- If a route is not known
 - Starts a route discovery, possibly combined with Route Reply packet
 - Reverses the route found from target (works only if we have all bidirectional links)

DSR: Packets waiting for a RD

- Packets that cannot be send because no route has been discovered yet are kept in a *Send Buffer*
 - Expire and are deleted after a timeout
 - Can be evicted with some policy (eg, FIFO) to prevent Send Buffer from overflowing
- While a packet is in the Send Buffer
 - The node occasionally starts a route discovery
 - The rate for new discoveries of the same address is limited to not overflow the network (target may be unreachable). Use *exponential* back-off.

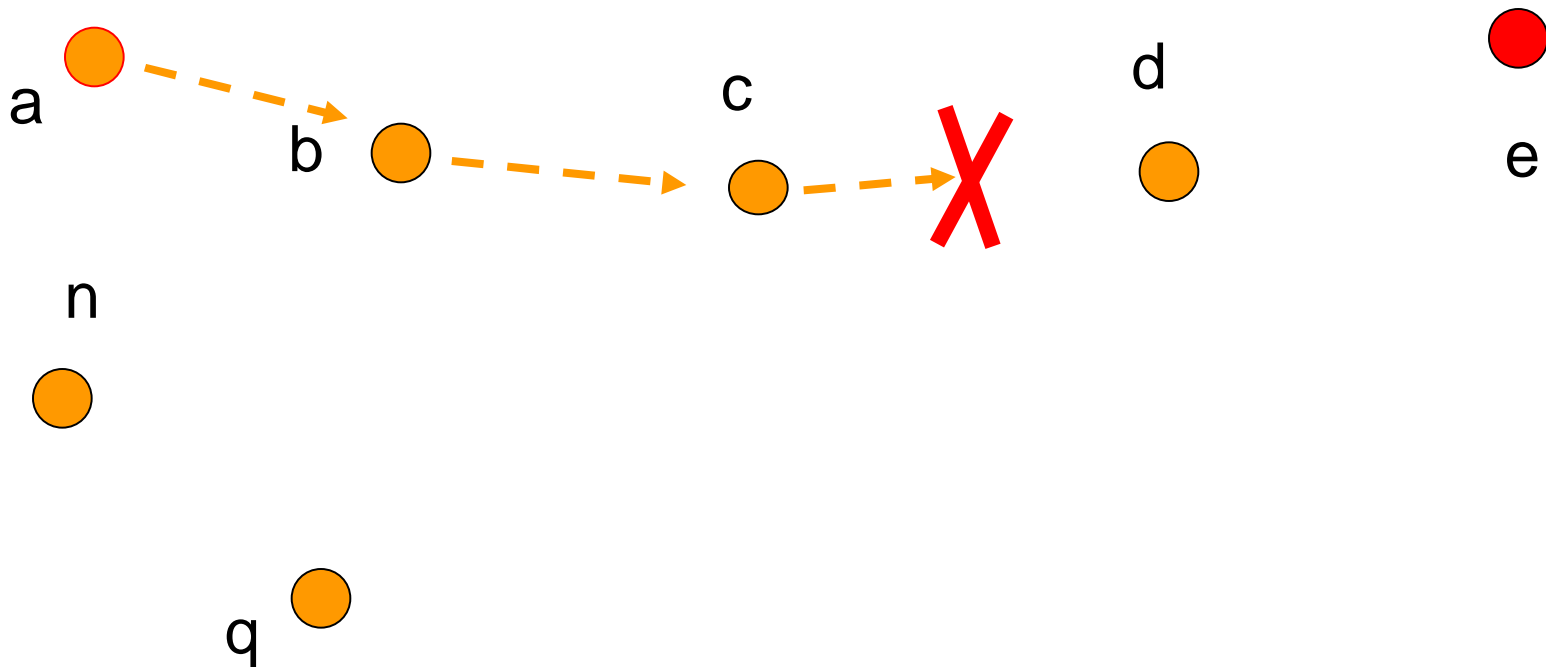
DSR: Route Maintenance

- When sending a packet along a route
 - Each node in the route is responsible of the receipt of the packet at the following hop in the route
 - For instance: Sending from **a** to **e** on route **a-b-c-d**,
 - **a** is responsible for packet receipt at **b**,
 - **b** for packet receipt at **c** etc
 - Packet is retransmitted on a hop up to a max number of times until ack is received
 - Ack can be provided by MAC layer or explicitly sent by DSR level

Example: Route maintenance

Sending to e with route **a-b-c-d**

Link **c** to **d** is down



DSR: Route Maintenance (2)

- When a route link is down
 - A *Route Error* is returned to the sender stating “link broken”
 - The sender removes this route from the cache (and others contacting the same link)
 - Error is reported to the upper layers that can decide for retransmission
 - When retransmission is asked a new route can be extracted from cache or an RD protocol started (if none is present)

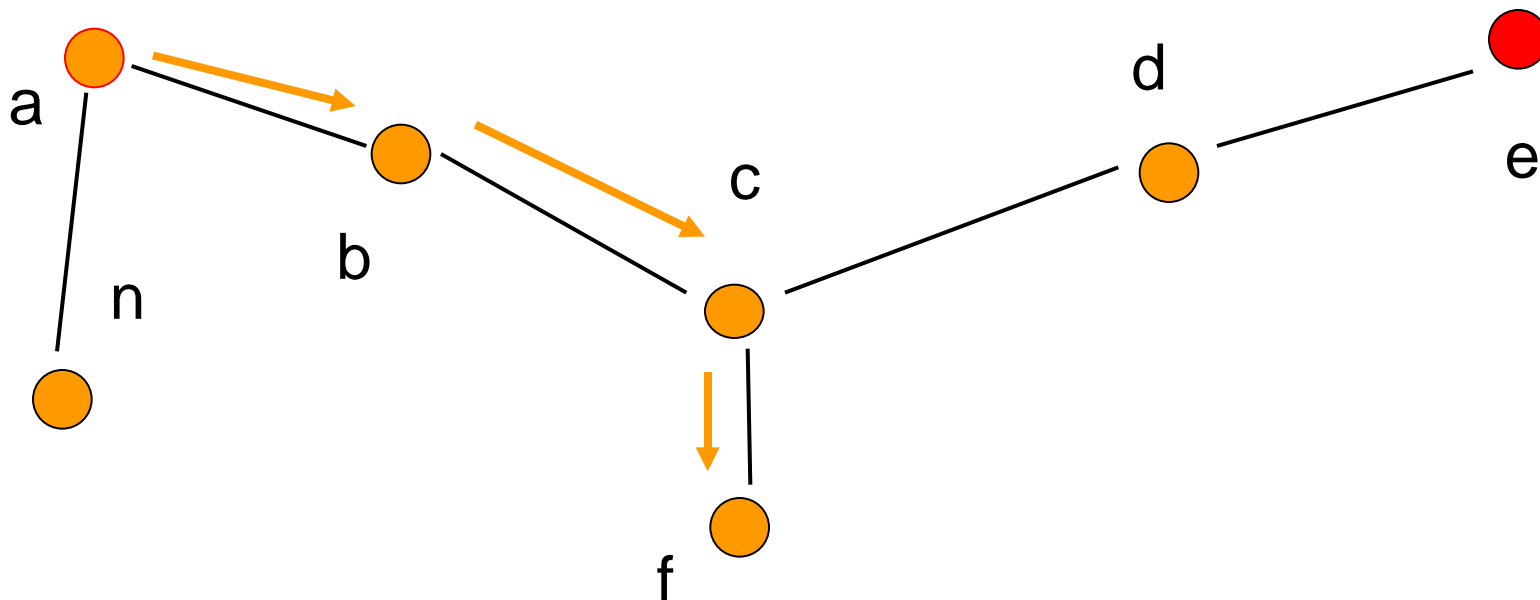
DSR: Additional RD features

- Overheard routing information
 - A node not only caches the results of a RD procedure
 - It can also cache the accumulated route in a Route Request, the route in a Route Reply, or the source route used in a data packet
- Replying to route requests using cached routes
 - If an intermediate node has already a source route to the target in its cache it reply directly with a Route Reply to the initiator

Example: Using cached routes

Route discovery from **a** to **e** reaches **f**

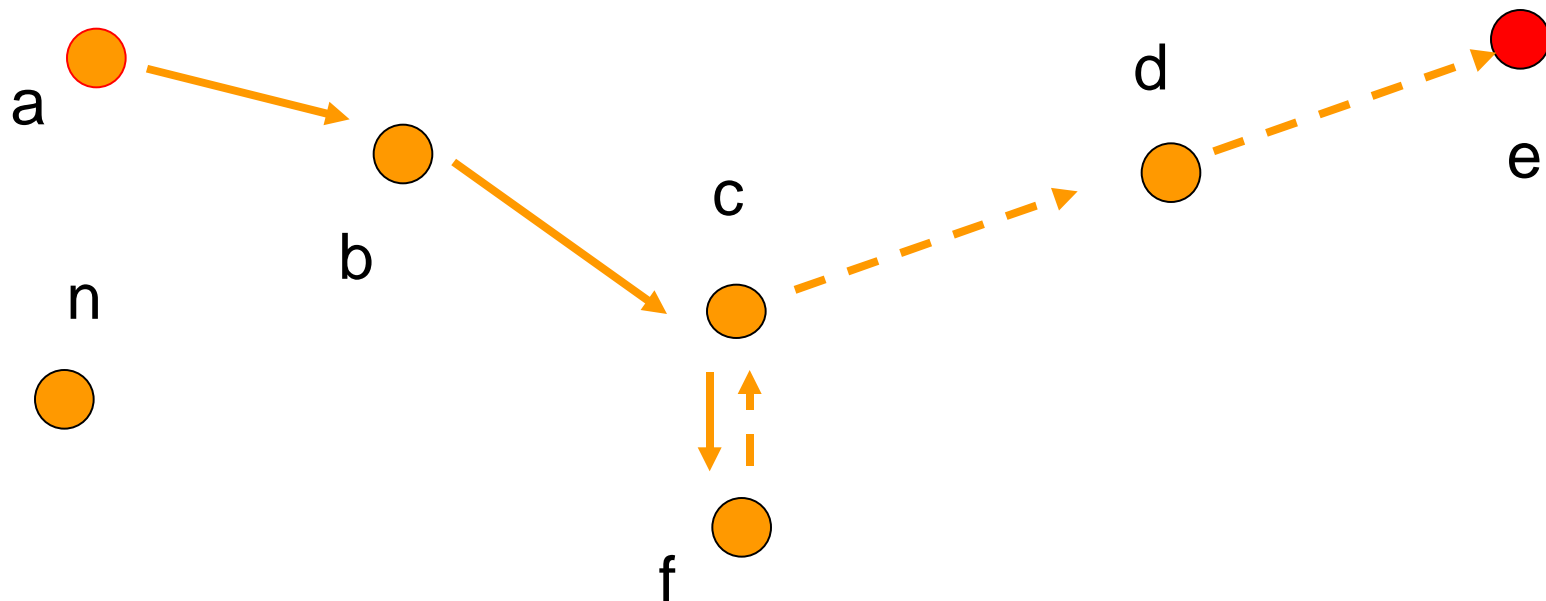
Node **f** has already a route **f-c-d** to **e** in its cache



Example: Using cached routes (2)

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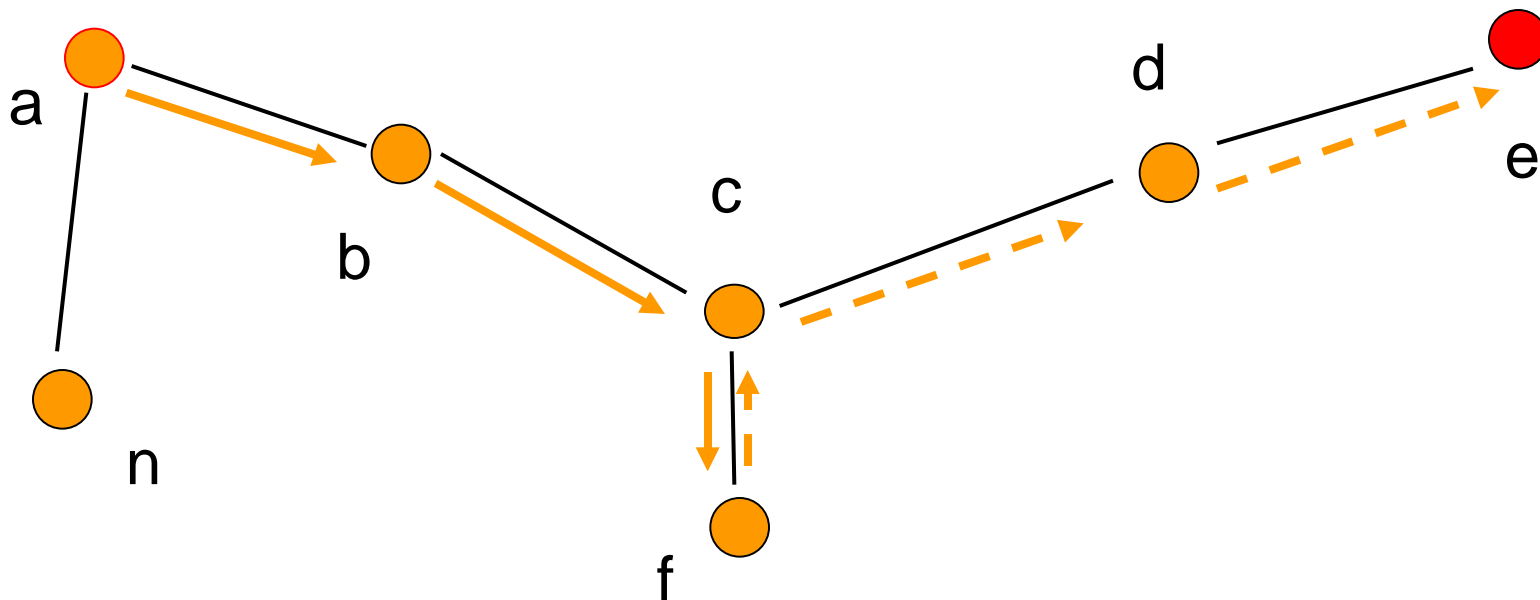


Example: Using cached routes (3)

Route discovery from **a** reaches **f**

Node **f** has already a route **f-c-d-e** in its cache

f cannot reply directly because **a-b-c-f-c-d-e**
has duplicated nodes



DSR: Additional RD features (2)

- Avoiding route reply storms
 - When a node starts an RD many neighbors may have cached route and respond directly
 - To avoid collisions and to favour shortest routes a node must wait for a random period

$$d = H * (h - 1 + r)$$

- h is the length in number of the network hops for the route to be returned
- r is a random number between 0 and 1
- H a constant delay (at least twice the maximum wireless propagation delay)

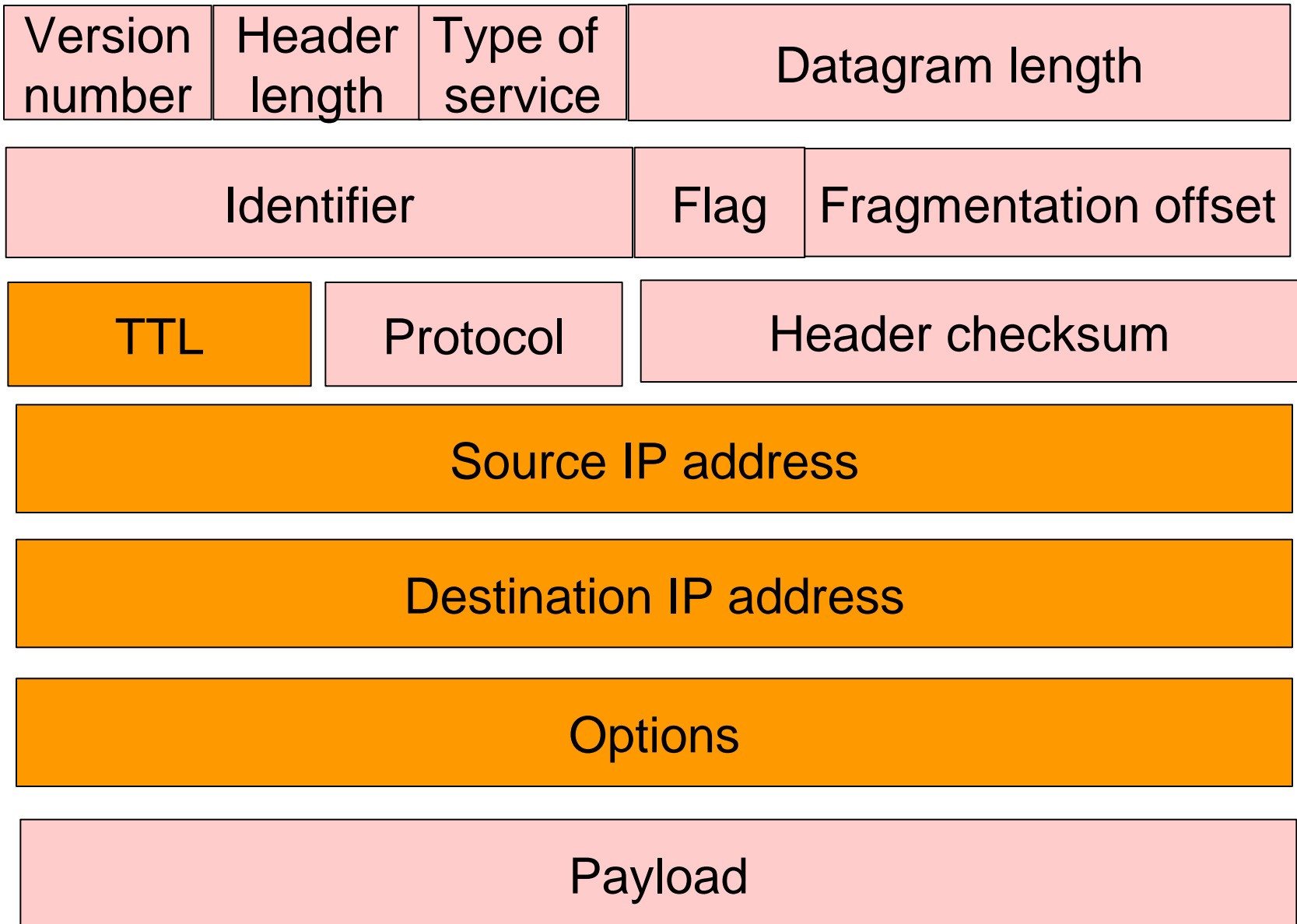
DSR: Additional features

- In RD we can ask for routes with a limited number of hops
- In RM we can:
 - Have intermediate nodes automatically shortening routes where intermediate hops are no longer needed
 - They send back a new route reply with the new route
 - Cache broken links to prevent their use in other routes

DSR: Packets

- DSR packets are standard IP packets
 - Use a special header in options (next slide for IPv4)
 - Uses standard IP fields such as source and destination address, TTL for hop counting
- DSR option header
 - Fixed portion (4 bytes), including total header length
 - Variable portion : zero or more DSR options, including source route when sending packets
 - Variable formats for different type of packets

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DSR: References

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AODV

- RFC 3561 IETF-MANET working group
- Proposed in 1994 by Perkins
 - Monarch Project - CMU
- NO Source routing
- Goals:
 - Low overhead
 - React quickly to changes in the network
 - No centralization point
 - Integrating unicast, multicast, broadcast

AODV: assumptions

- Cooperative nodes:
 - All nodes want to participate fully in the network protocol and will forward packets for other nodes
- Bidirectional symmetric links
 - A node which has received a packet from a neighbor is able to route it back to the sender using the same link

AODV: basic mechanisms

Unicast route establishment

- *Route discovery:*
 - Broadcasting a RREQ packet
 - Answering a RREP packet
- *Route maintenance*
 - Handling RERR packets
 - Aging routes

AODV: basic data structures

- Route table

- Uses a route table for unicast and one for multicast
- It contains at most one route to each destination
 - For each destination it maintains the next hop to destination and a precursor in the route
 - Each table entry is tagged with a lifetime, if not used within lifetime it expires

- Sequence numbers

- Each node maintains a monotonic sequence number.
 - The sequence number is increased each time a node learns a change in its neighborhood
- Each multicast group maintains a separate seq. number

AODV: Route Discovery

- S originated a packet for D
 - S checks the route table for a current route to D. If it finds it, S sends the packet along it
 - Otherwise S starts a *Route Discovery process*. S broadcasts an RREQ packet including:
 - IP address of source and its current sequence number
 - IP address of destination and last known sequence number
 - Broadcast ID, which is incremented each time node S initiates a RREQ
 - Hop count initially set to 0
 - S sets a timer to wait for a reply

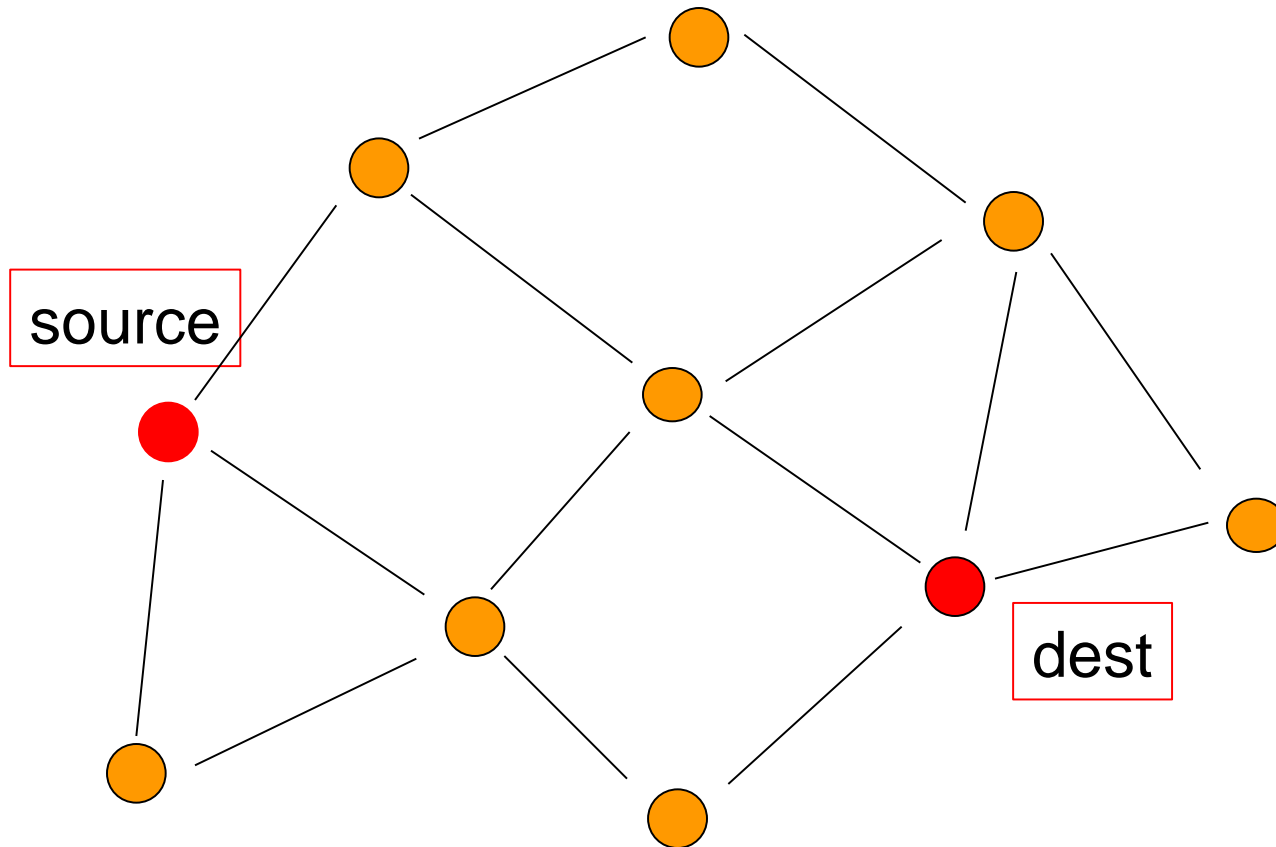
AODV: Route Discovery (2)

- When a node receives a RREQ
 - it first checks if it has seen it before (IP source and broadcast ID)
 - Each node maintains a note of all RREQ seen for a specified length of time
 - If already seen it silently discards it
 - Otherwise it records it and processes it

AODV: Route Discovery (3)

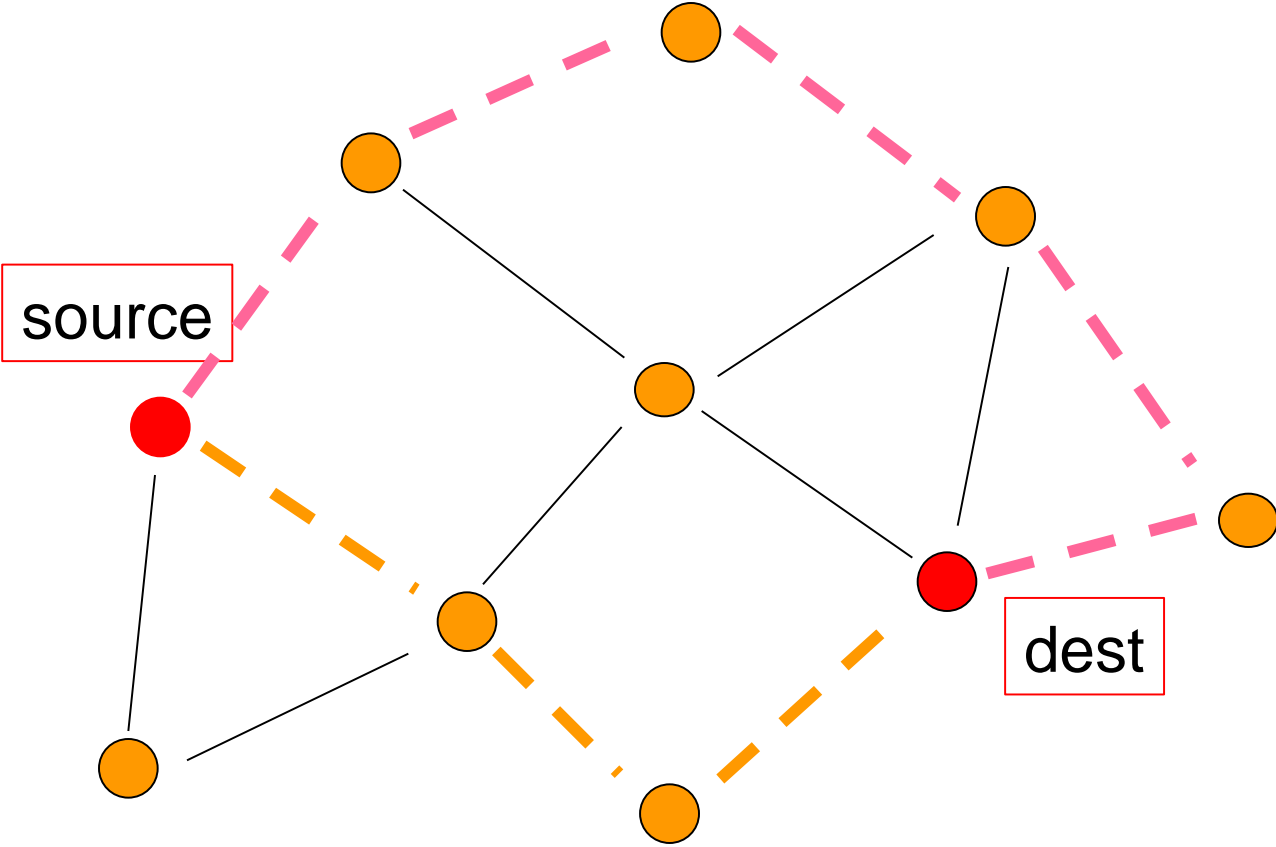
- Processing a RREQ
 - The node sets up a *reverse route* entry for the source node in its routing table
 - IP source and sequence number, number of hops to the source, IP of the neighbor from which request has been received
 - In this way, the node can forward back a RREP if it receives one later on
 - Reverse route entry has a lifetime, if not used for lifetime is deleted to prevent stale info hanging around

Example: Route Discovery



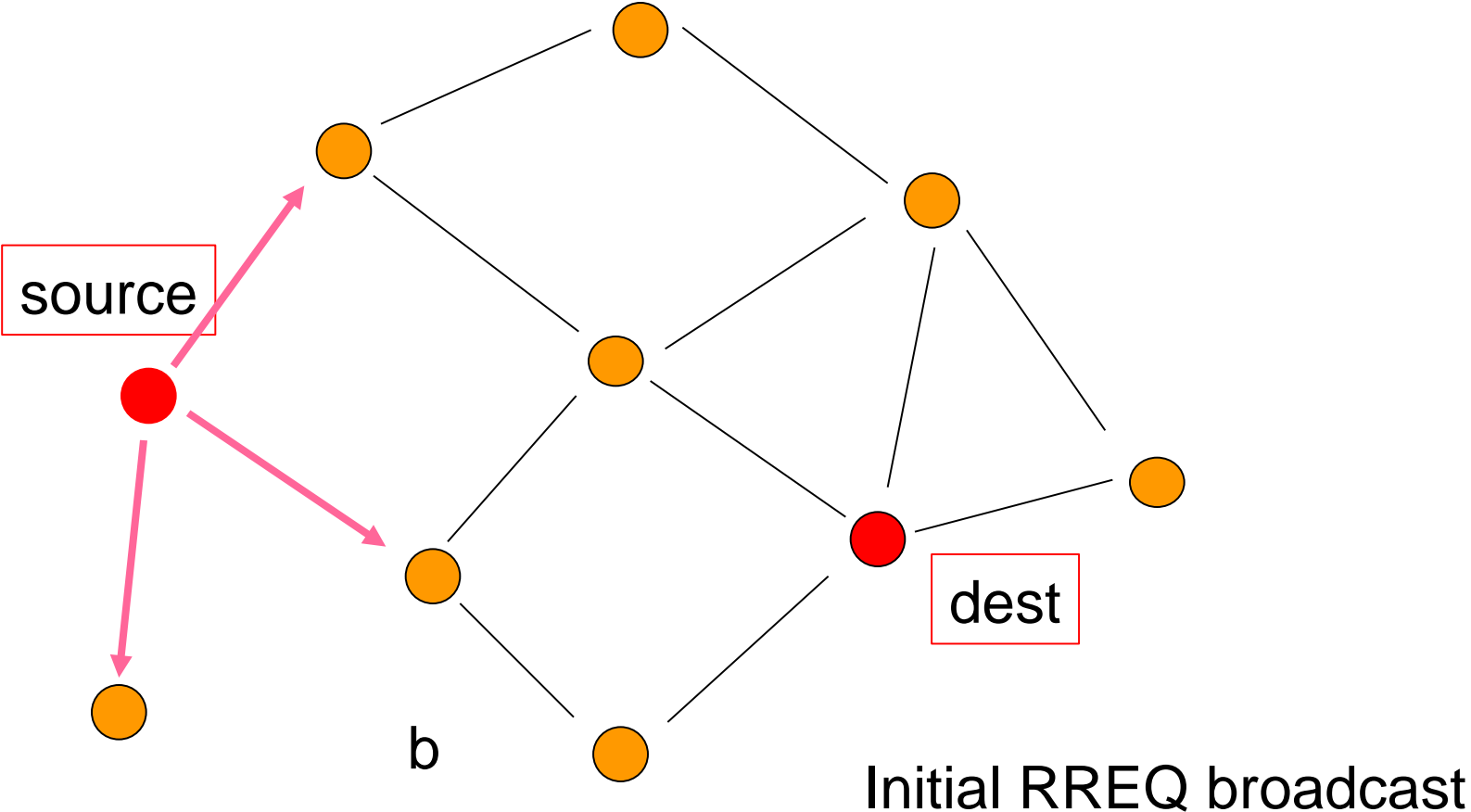
Actual network connectivity

Example: Route Discovery (2)



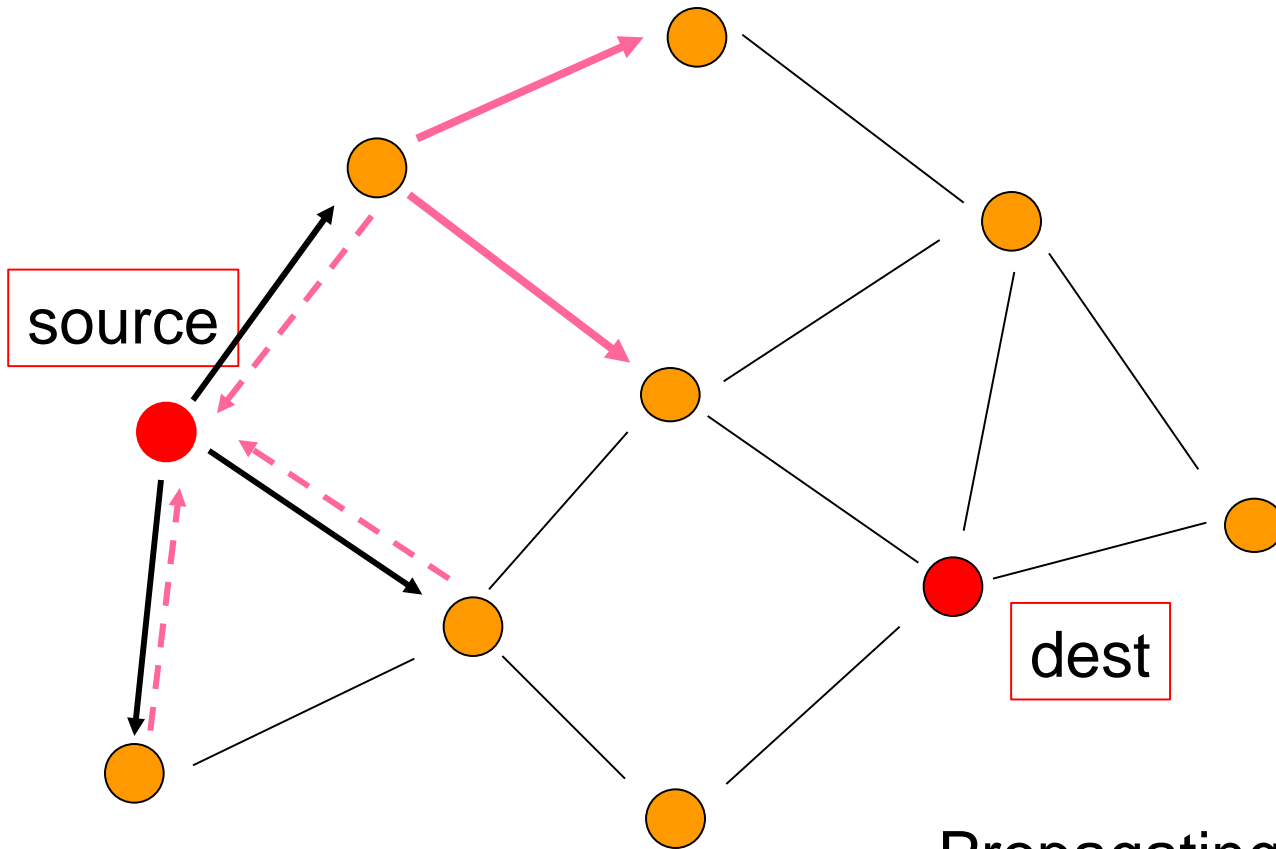
Many possible routes

Example: Route Discovery (3)



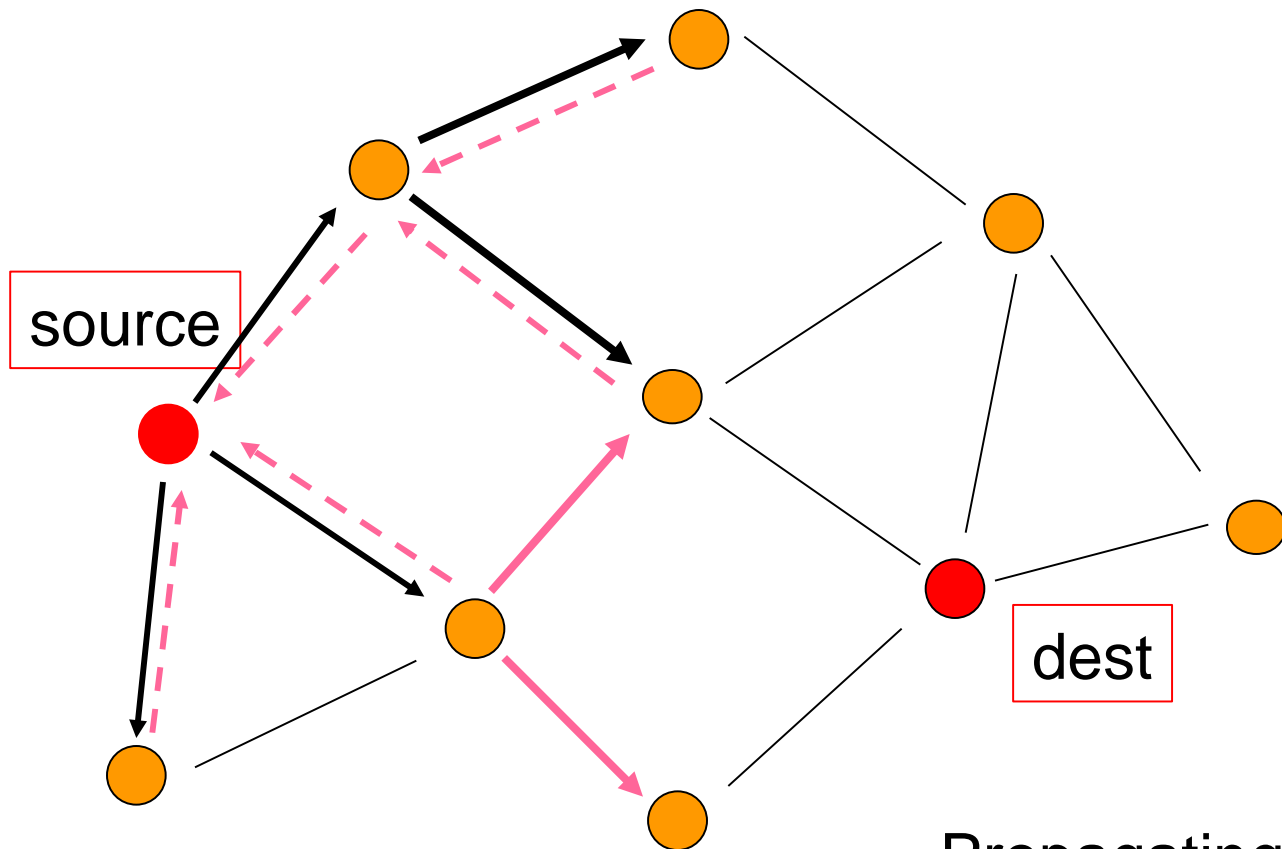
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Example: Route Discovery (4)



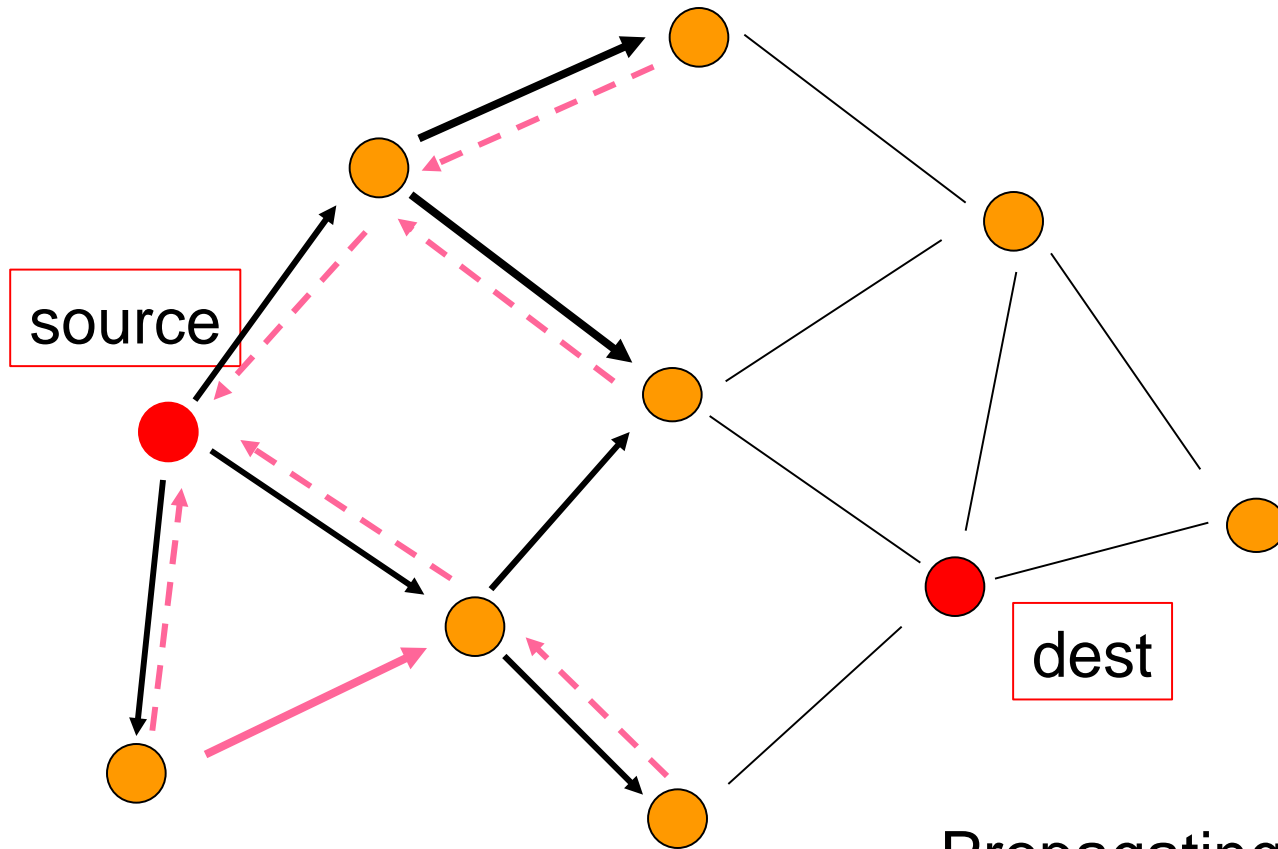
Propagating RREQ broadcast

Example: Route Discovery (5)



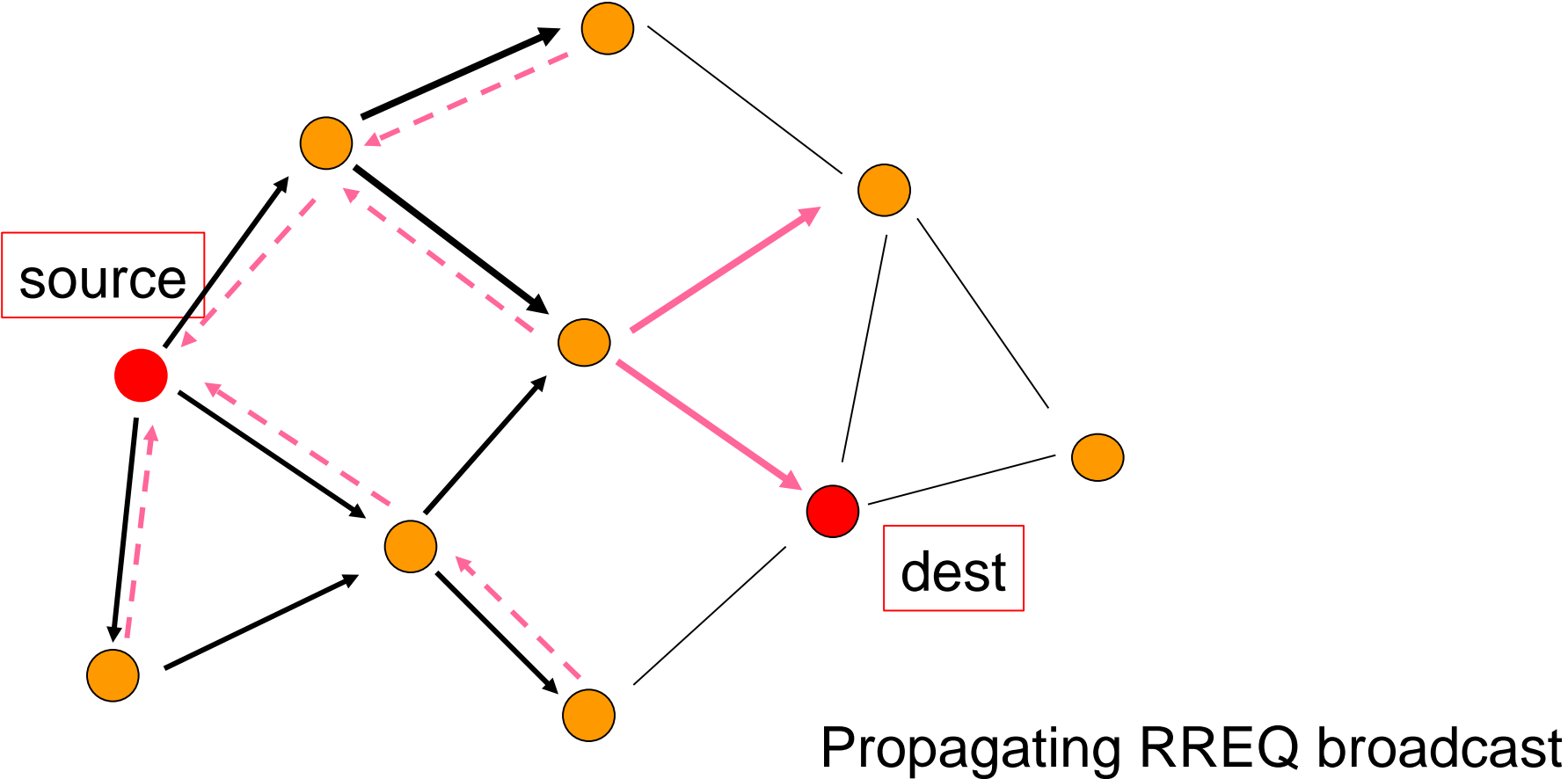
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Example: Route Discovery (6)

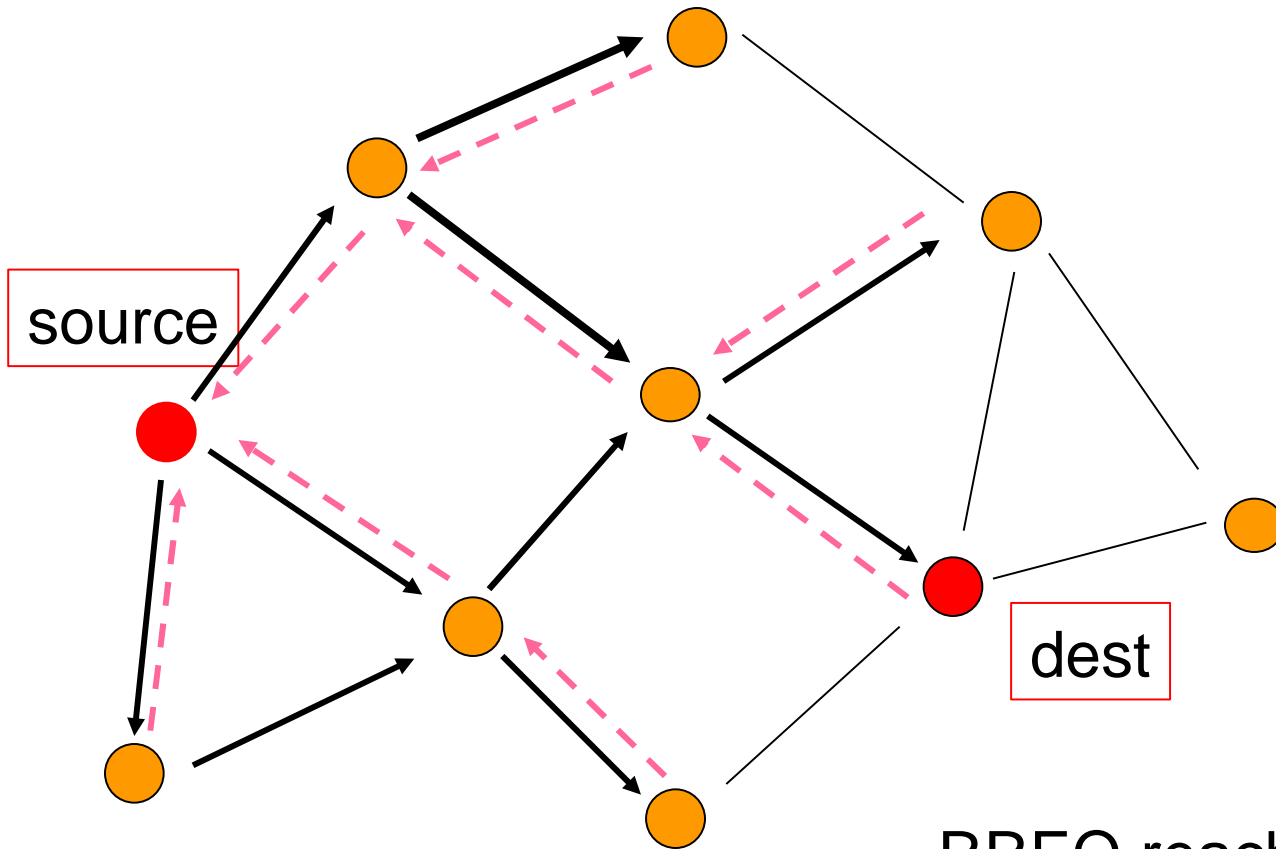


Propagating RREQ broadcast

Example: Route Discovery (7)

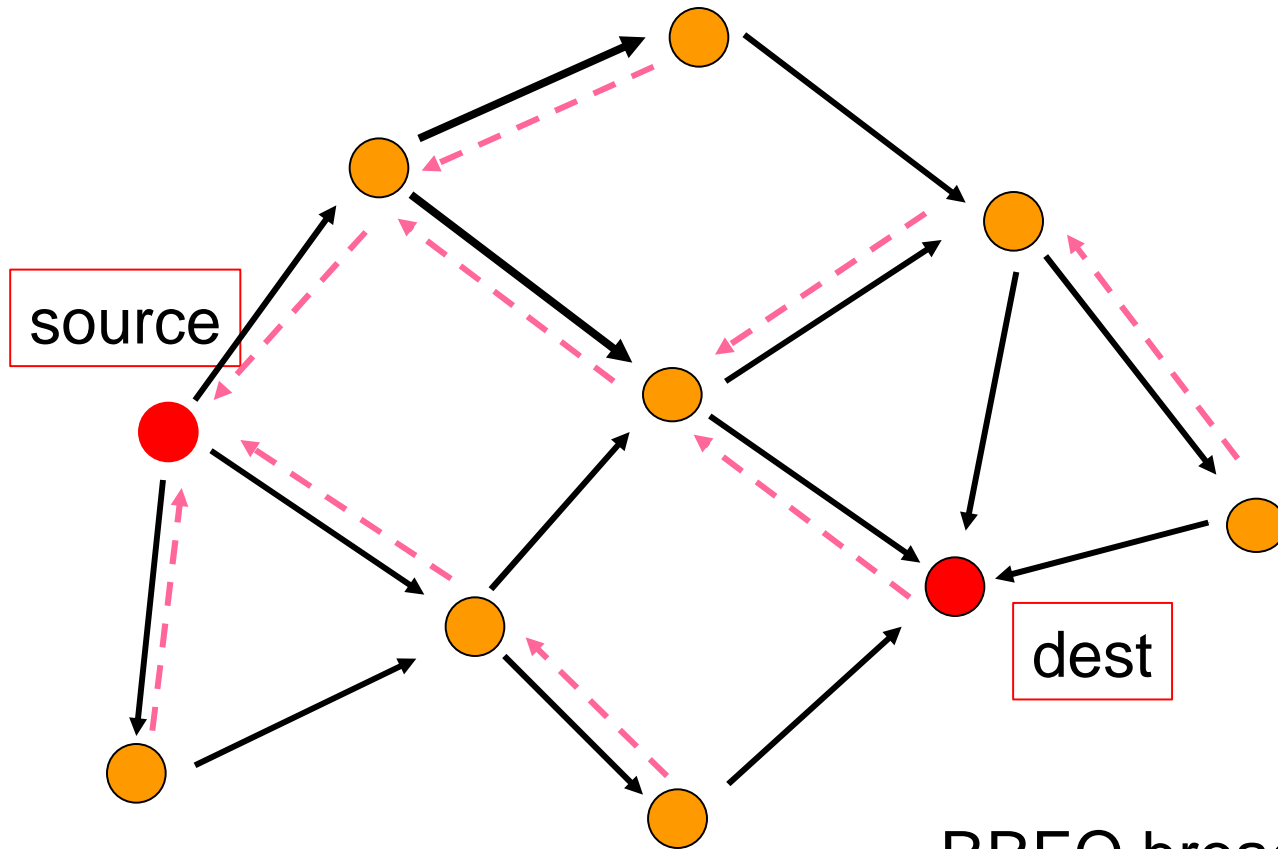


Example: Route Discovery (8)



RREQ reaches deatination

Example: Route Discovery (9)



RREQ broadcast :
Possible completion

AODV: Route Discovery (4)

- Responding to a RREQ
 - To respond, a node must have an unexpired entry for the destination in its route table
 - The sequence number associated with that destination must be at least as great as the *destination sequence number* included in the RREQ
 - Loop prevention: the route returned is never old enough to point to a previous intermediate node (otherwise the previous node would have responded to the RREQ before)
 - If the node is able to respond it unicasts a RREP back to the source using reverse route entries

AODV: Route Discovery (5)

- Responding to a RREQ (contd.)
 - If a node is not able to respond to RREQ it increments hop count in RREQ and broadcasts the packet to neighbors
 - Destination is always able to respond!
 - If a RREQ is lost, the source node can try **rreq_retries** additional attempts

AODV: Expanding ring search

- Flooding all the network may be expensive
 - Set TTL (Time To Live) to initial value **t_{ttl_start}** to simulate expanding rings of research across the network
 - If no answer is seen next time increments TTL
 - After a number of trials RREQ broadcasted across all the network for **rreq_retries** attempts
 - When a route is established the distance to the destination is recorded to set the initial TTL in the next RD for the same destination

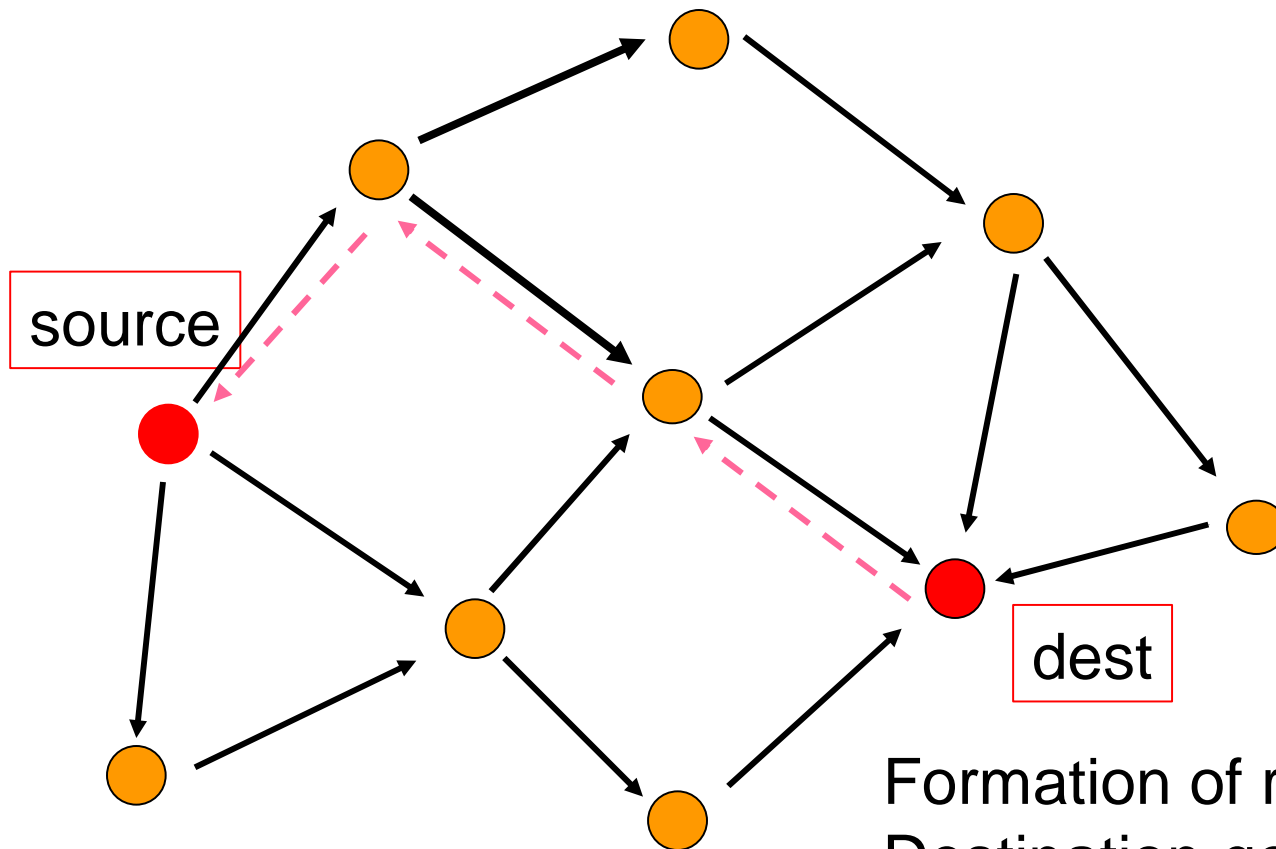
AODV: Forward Path Setup

- Generation of a RREP message
 - RREP contains the IP address of source and destination, destination sequence number, route lifetime and hop count
 - If destination is responding:
 - hop count = 0
 - Sequence number is its current sequence
 - If an intermediate node is responding
 - Hops count is its distance from destination
 - Sequence number is last known sequence number for dest

AODV: Forward Path Setup (2)

- When an intermediate node receives a RREP
 - Sets up a *forward path* entry in the RT for the destination
 - IP address of destination, IP address of the node from which RREP arrived, hop count (distance) to the destination, lifetime
 - Distance is computed adding 1 to the hop count in RREP
 - Lifetime is taken from RREP
 - Forwards RREP to the source

Example: Route Discovery (10)



Formation of reverse route:
Destination generates RREP
And forwards using reverse route
Entries in RT

AODV: Forward Path Setup (3)

- When more RREP are received
 - A new RREP is forwarded only if
 - Destination seq number is greater
 - Hop count is smaller
 - Otherwise packet is discarded
- The source node can use the first RREP to start transmission
 - Subsequent RREP are used to update RT for subsequent transmission to the same destination

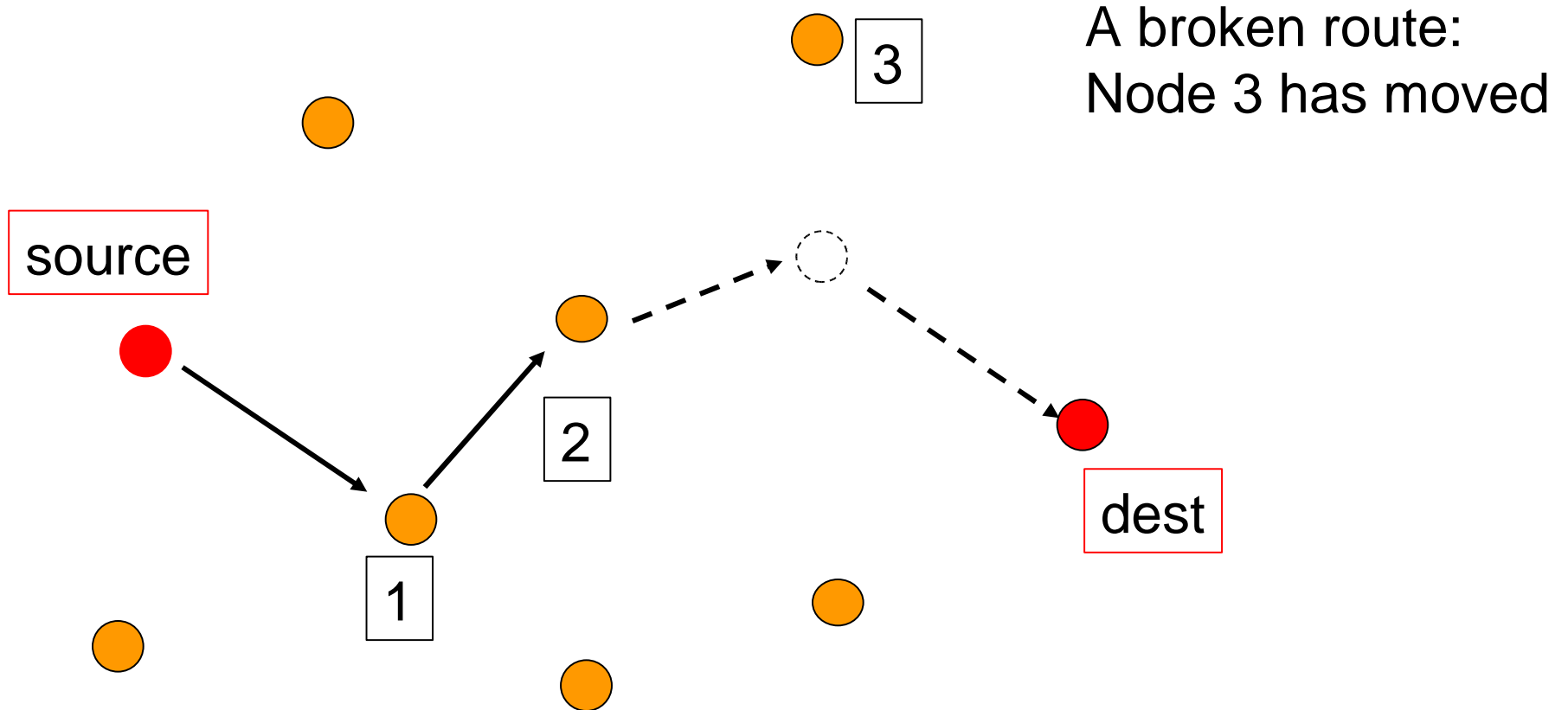
AODV: Route Maintenance

- Each node maintains only *active paths*
 - Active paths correspond to the routes in use
 - *active paths* that include a node which has moved need maintenance
- How we know a node has moved
 - If source moves it is trivial, it knows it must start route discovery again
 - Otherwise we receive a RERR packet while we try to use a route
 - Packets for broken routes are stopped and a RERR generated back

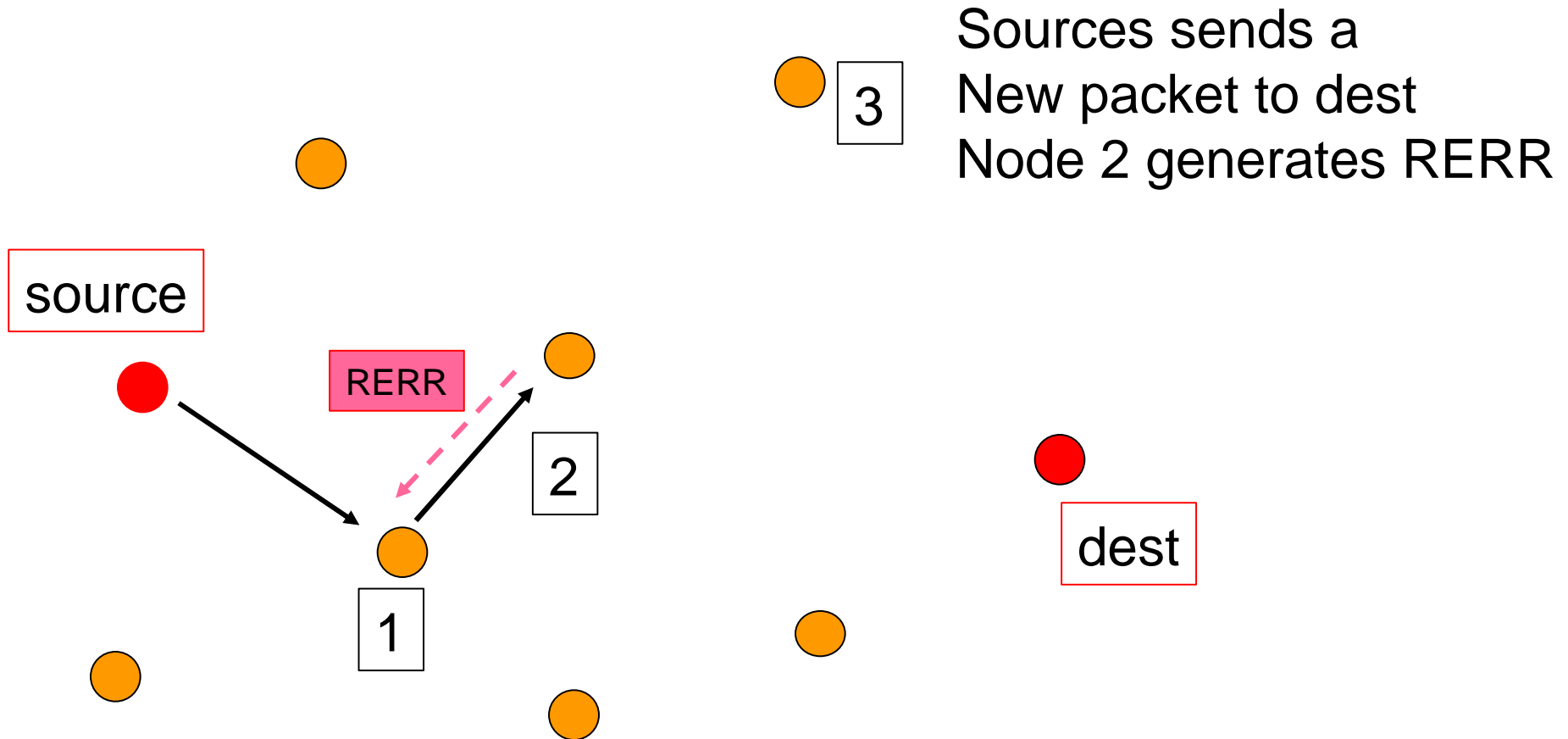
AODV: Route Maintenance (2)

- Dealing with a RERR packet
 - A RERR packet includes a list of now unreachable destinations due to a broken link
 - Forwards RERR to all precursors in routes from source
 - Nodes receiving a RERR for a route, mark it as invalid setting distance to the destination equal to infinity and in turn propagate to precursors
 - When source node receives a RERR packet it starts RD again

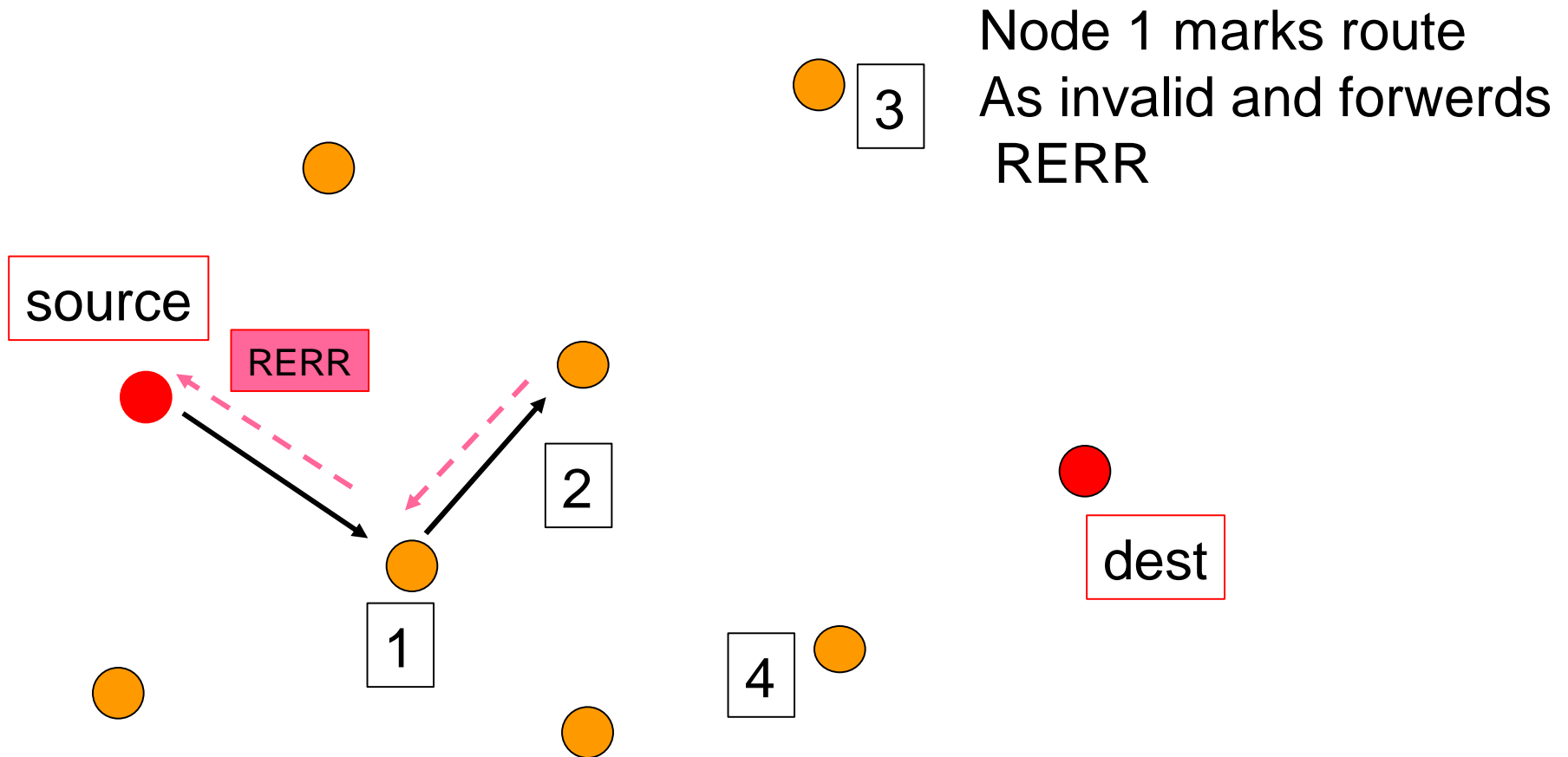
Example: Route Maintenance



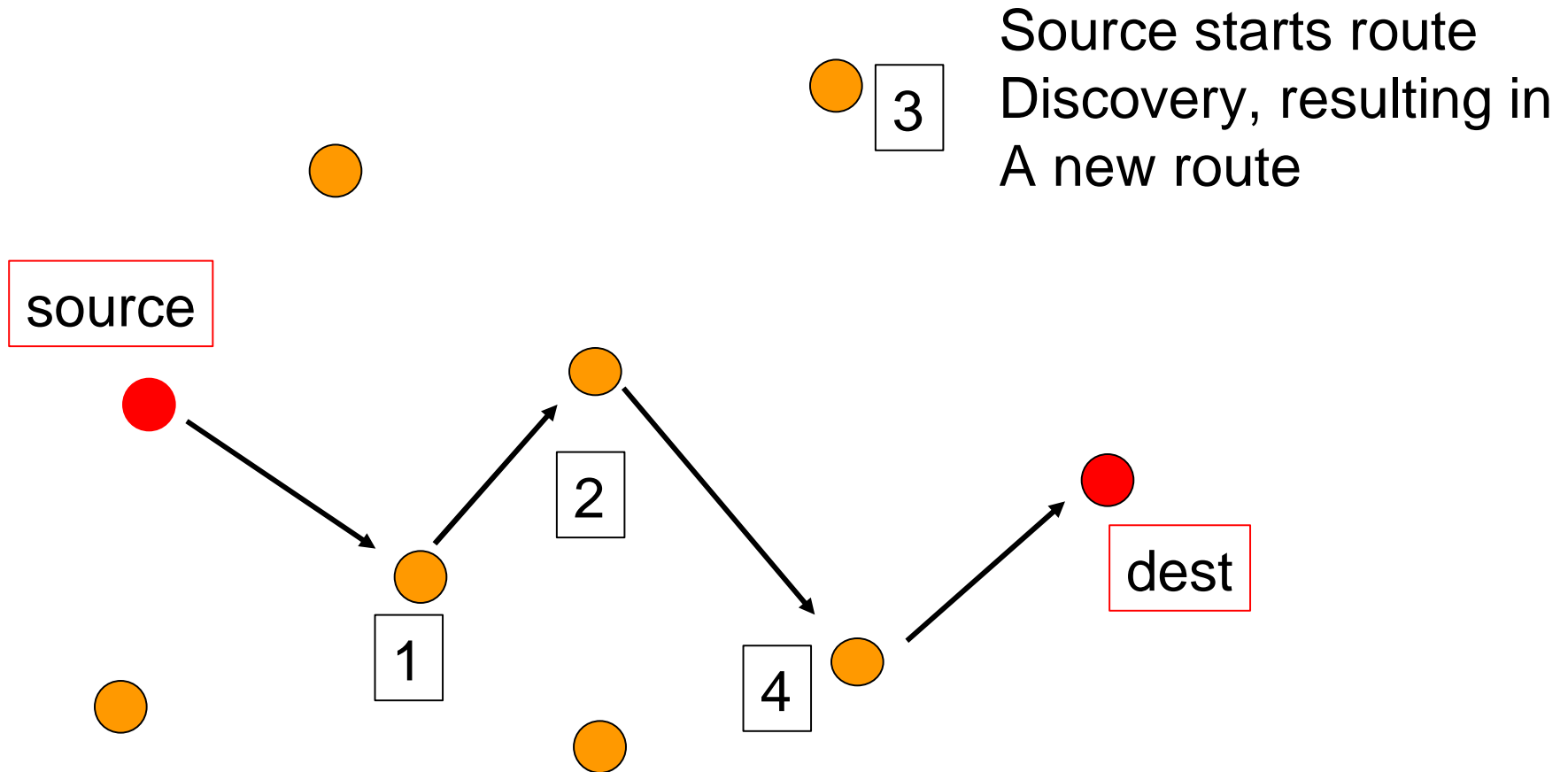
Example: Route Maintenance (2)



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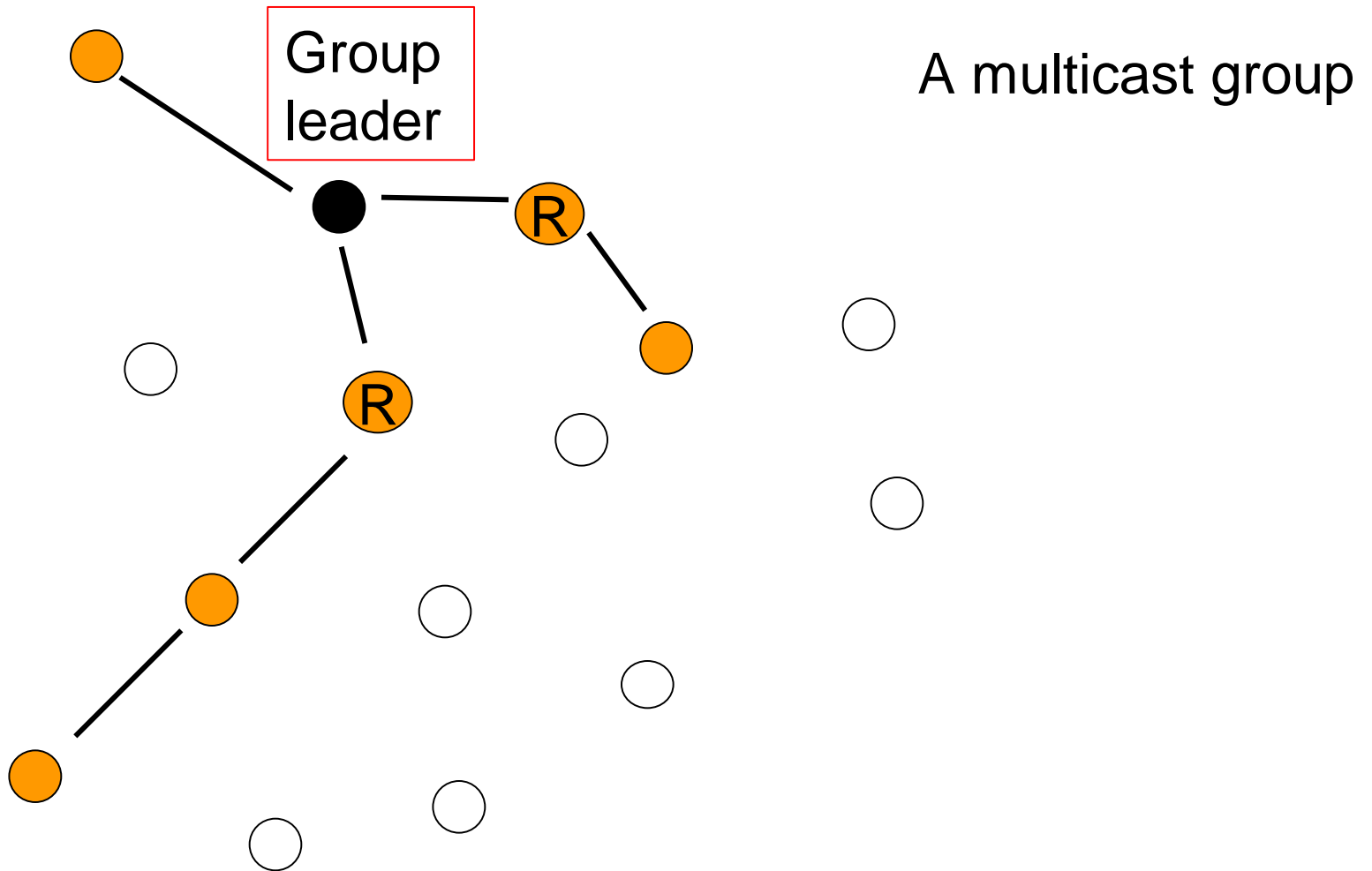
AODV: Route Maintenance (3)

- Connectivity management
 - Each time a broadcast from a neighbor is received lifetime of the route to neighbor is updated
 - If neighbor is not in table entry is added
 - Periodically a Hello packet is sent to inform neighbors we are still alive and to trigger RT update
 - Special RREP with IP address and sequence number of sender. TTL is 1 to prevent resend.
 - When no Hello messages are received for a period of time node is considered gone and connectivity updated

AODV: Multicast

- Multicast groups
 - Each MG has a leader and a bidirectional multicast tree
 - Each MG has a sequence number
 - maintained by the leader
 - Nodes can join and leave a group any time
 - Groups use RREQ and RREP
- Multicast Route table
 - Records routes for multicast groups

Example: Multicast group



AODV: Multicast RD

- Multicast route discovery
 - Started when a node wishes to join a group or to send data to a group
 - Node creates a RREQ packet with join flag set if it wants to join
 - RREQ includes known sequence number for group
 - For join, only members of the multicast tree (router nodes) can respond
 - Otherwise any node with knowledge of a route can respond

AODV: Multicast join RD

- For a join RREQ
 - Nodes not belonging to the group receiving a join create a reverse route entry in the MRT and broadcasts the request to its neighbors
 - Non routing nodes add an unactivate entry for the source node in the MRT,
 - until link is enabled (activated) no message is forwarded for the group

AODV: Multicast join RD (2)

- Join -- Forward Path Setup
 - A routing node may answer a join RREQ only if its recorded sequence number is greater than the one in the RREQ
 - The group leader can always reply
 - The responding node updates MRT placing requesting node next hop information and sending back a RREP to the source.
 - Nodes along the path to the source set up a forward path entry for the multicast group in the MRT, incrementing hop count as usual

AODV: Multicast join RD (3)

- Route Activation

- Different RREP may reach the source, only one path need to be selected to connect the join node to the tree
 - The route with highest sequence number and minimum hop count is selected
 - This route is selected by unicasting a multicast activation message (MACT) to activate the corresponding entry in MRTs

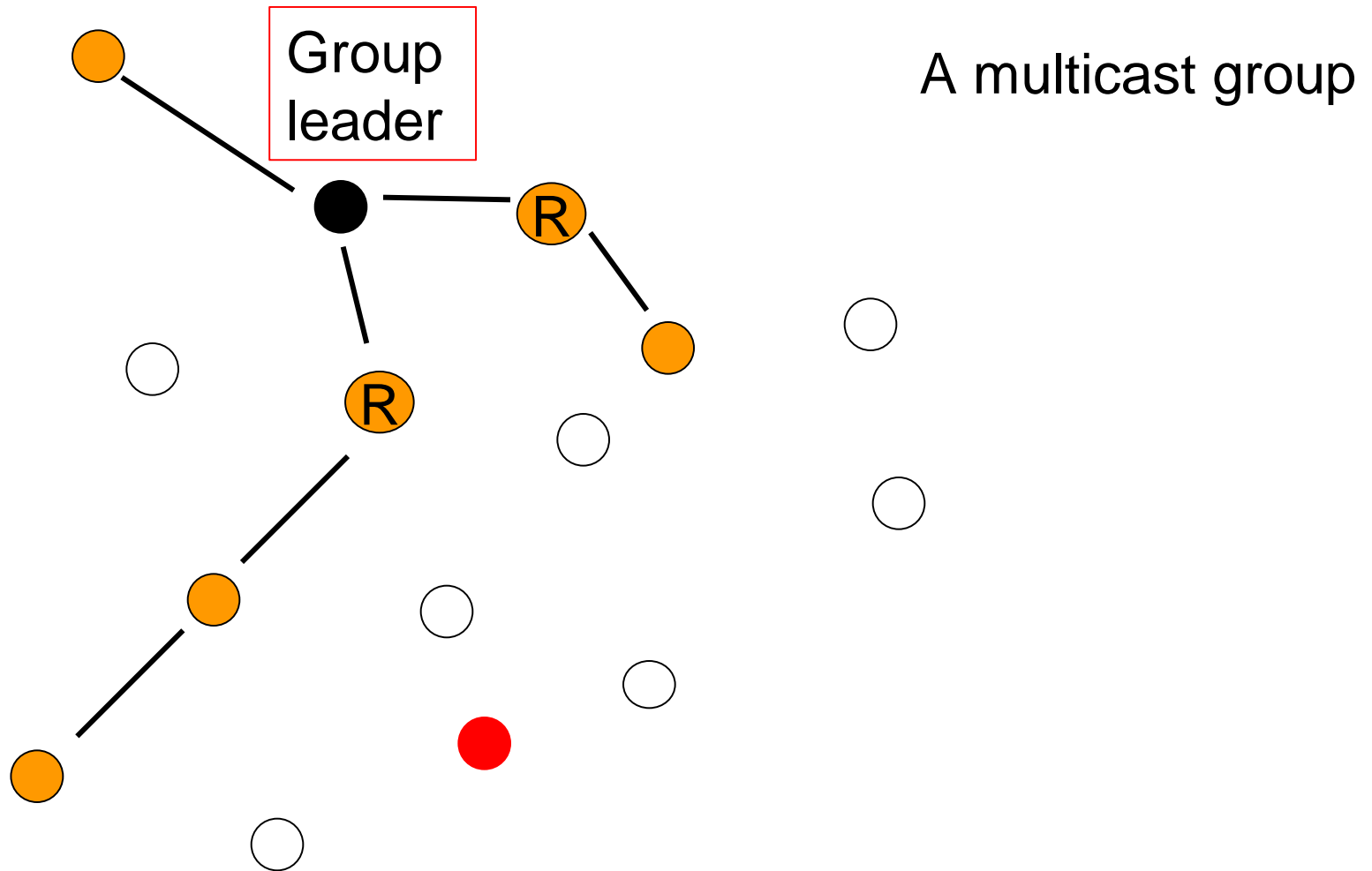
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- A non leaf leaving the tree, must still work as router for the others

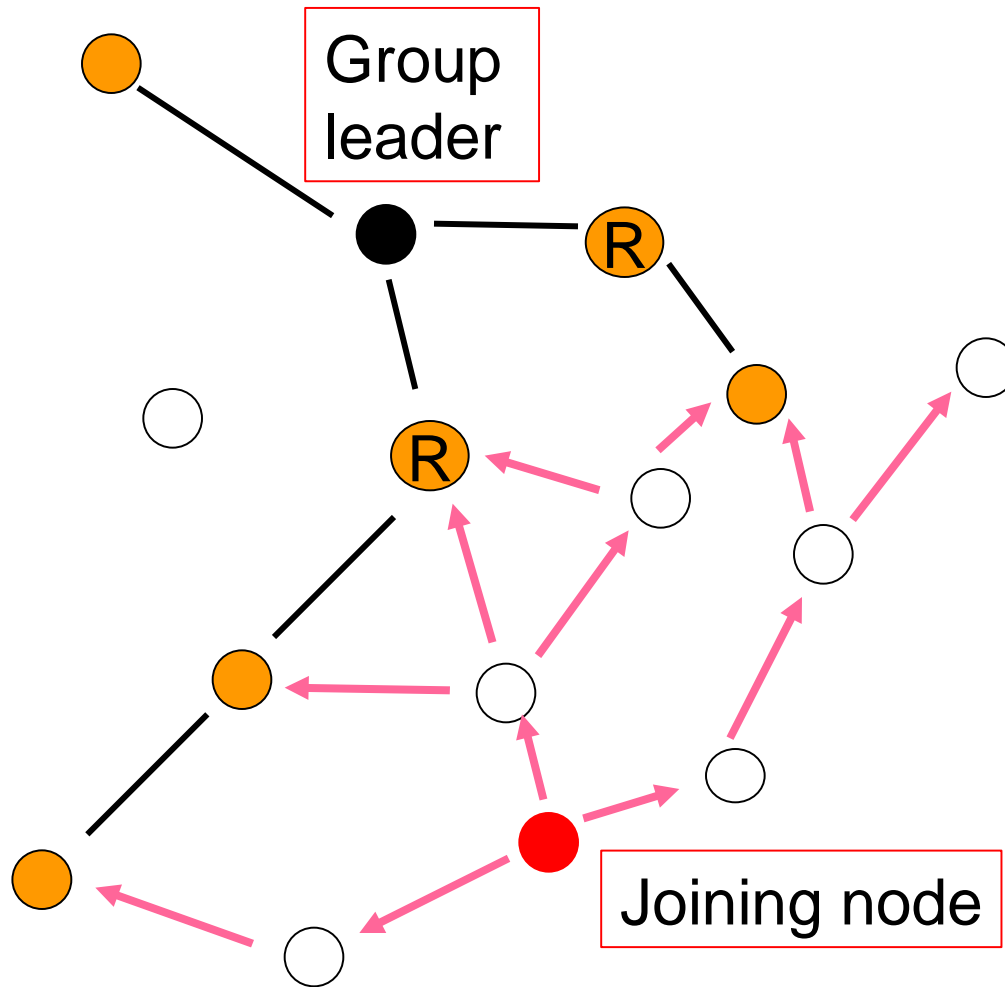
AODV: Multicast join RD (4)

- Leaving the tree
 - A leaf node may leave the tree simply sending a message to its parent, if this is not part of the tree and it is now a leaf it can propagate pruning at the upper levels
 - A non leaf node leaving the tree, must still work as router for the others

Example: Join a multicast group

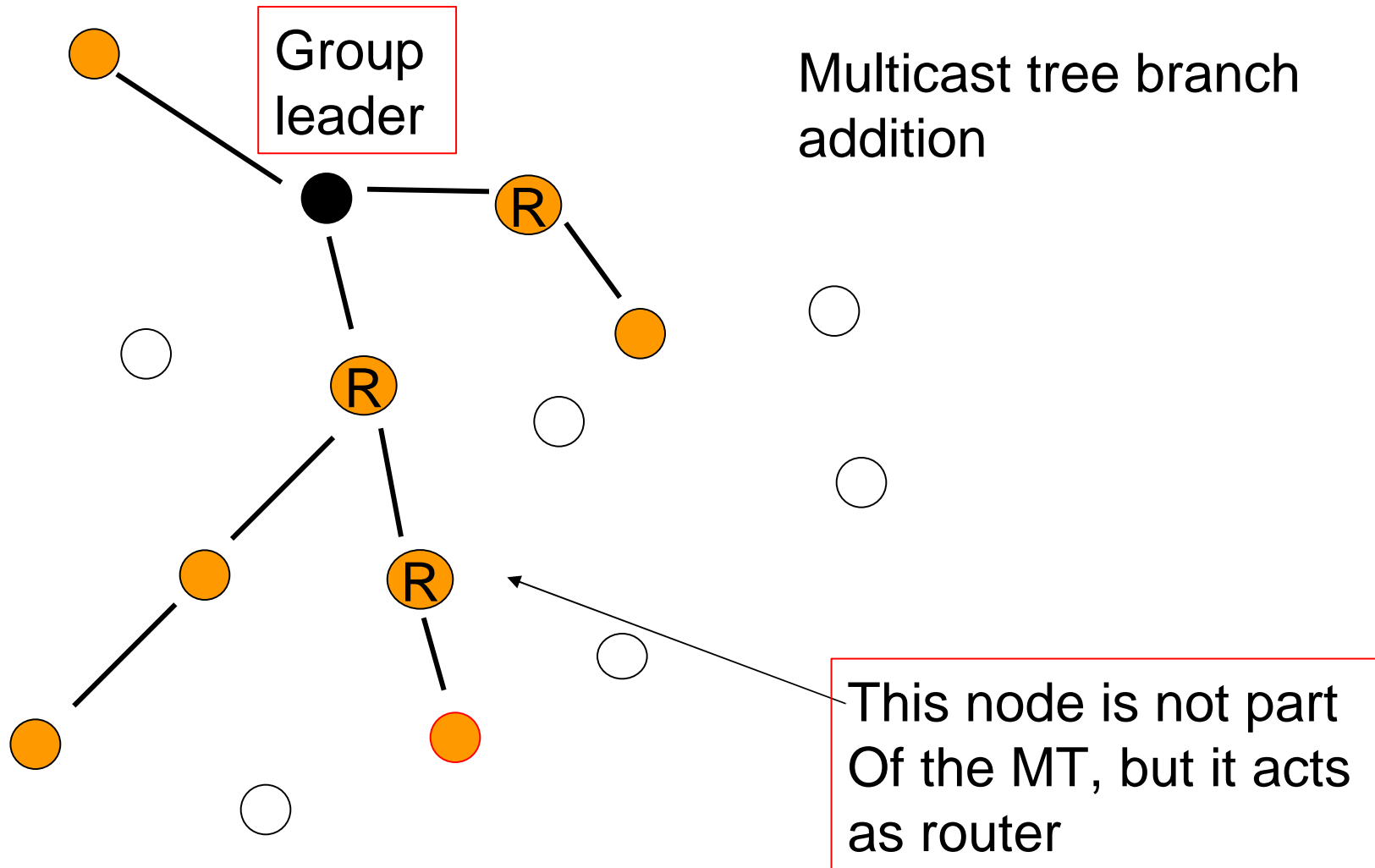


Example: Join a multicast group (2)



RREQ prpagation
Of a joining node

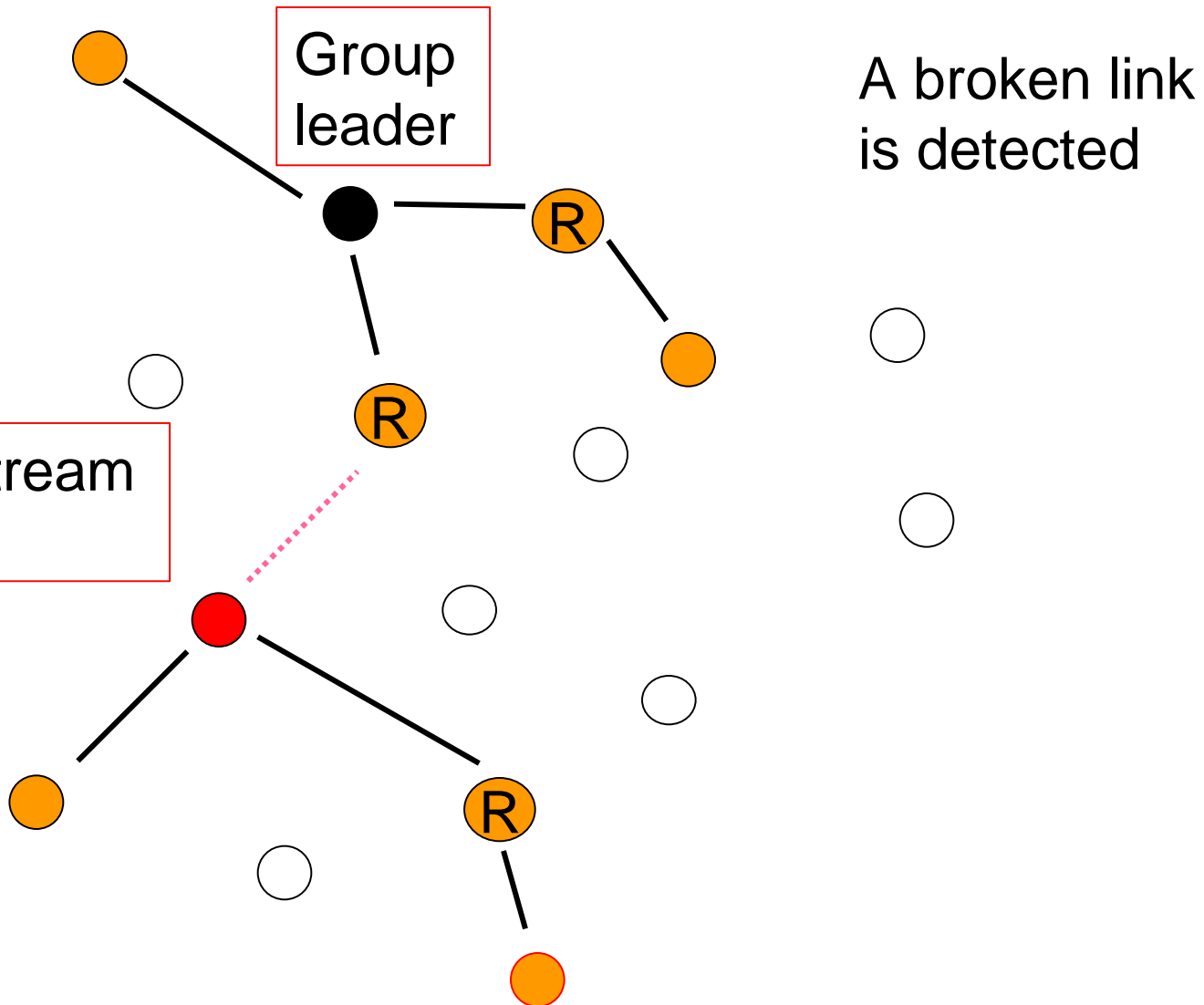
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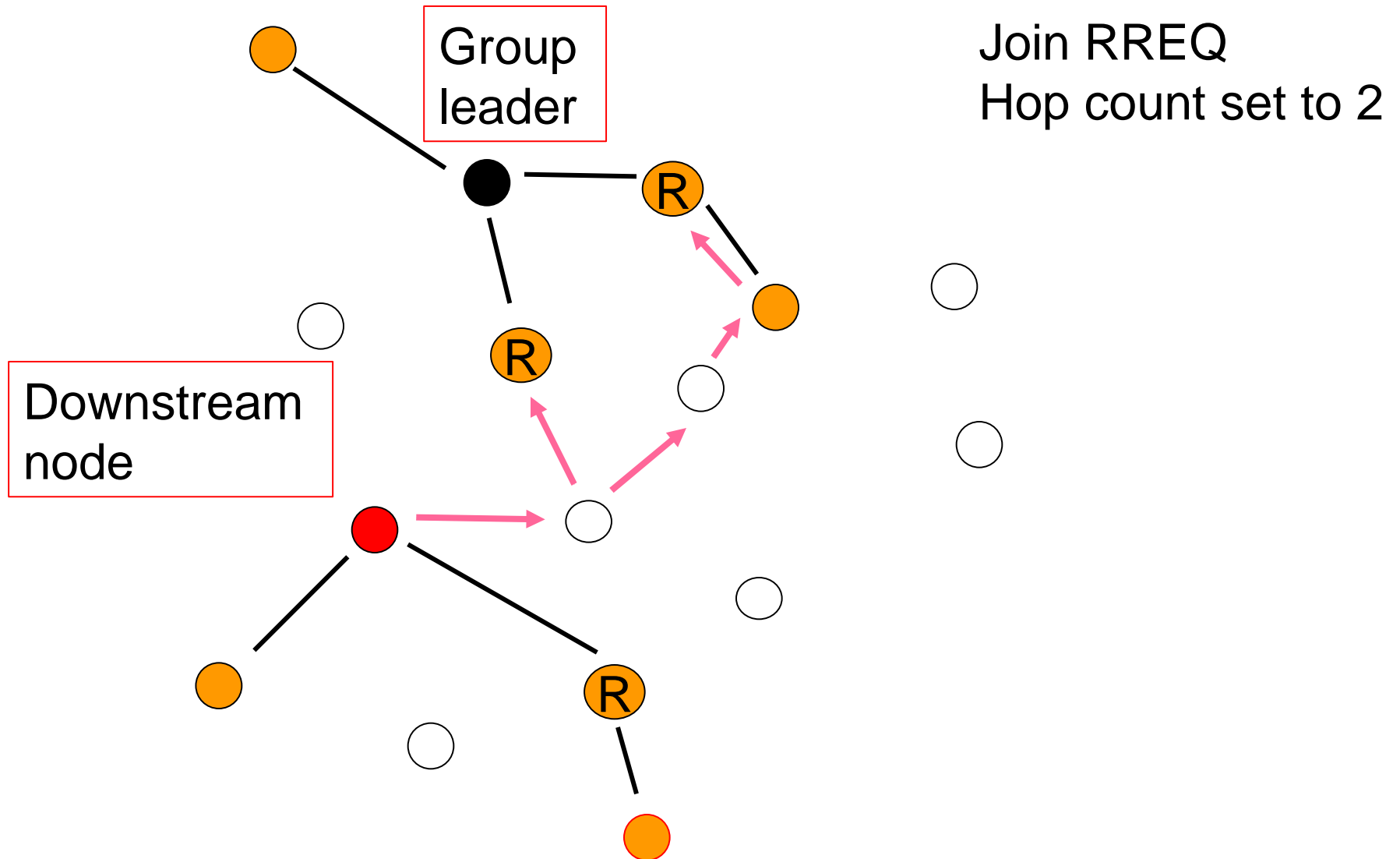
AODV: Multicast Route Maintenance

- It must be done as soon as the fault is discovered
 - Nodes in the group must stay connected even if no messages are sent to them
 - The downstream node (farthest from the leader) is responsible to repair the link, using a RREQ to join the group again
 - RREQ includes node distance from the group leader and only nodes that far or more can reply to repair
 - This is to involve the “right” nodes, the ones on the group leader side

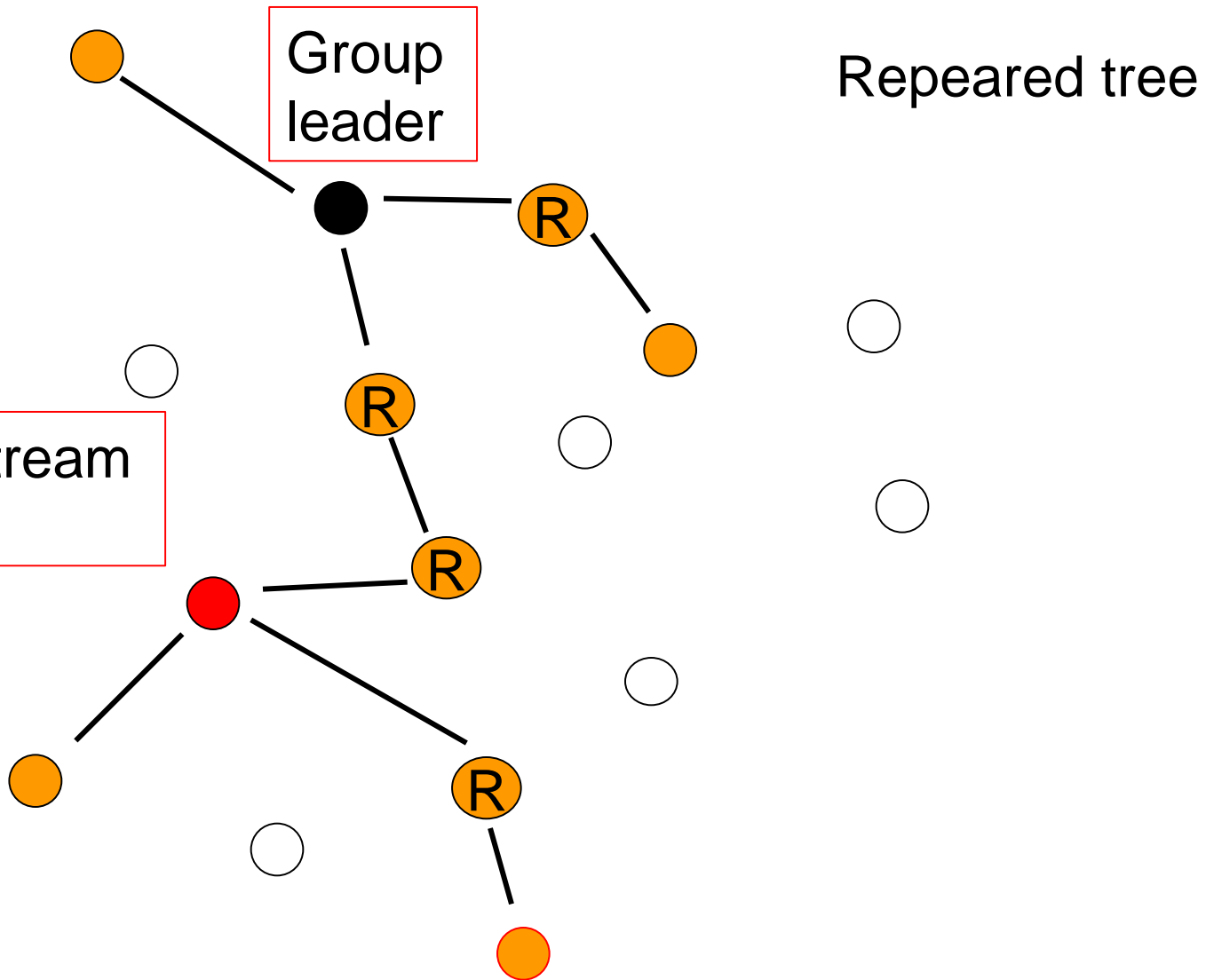
Example: Broken link



Example: Broken link (2)



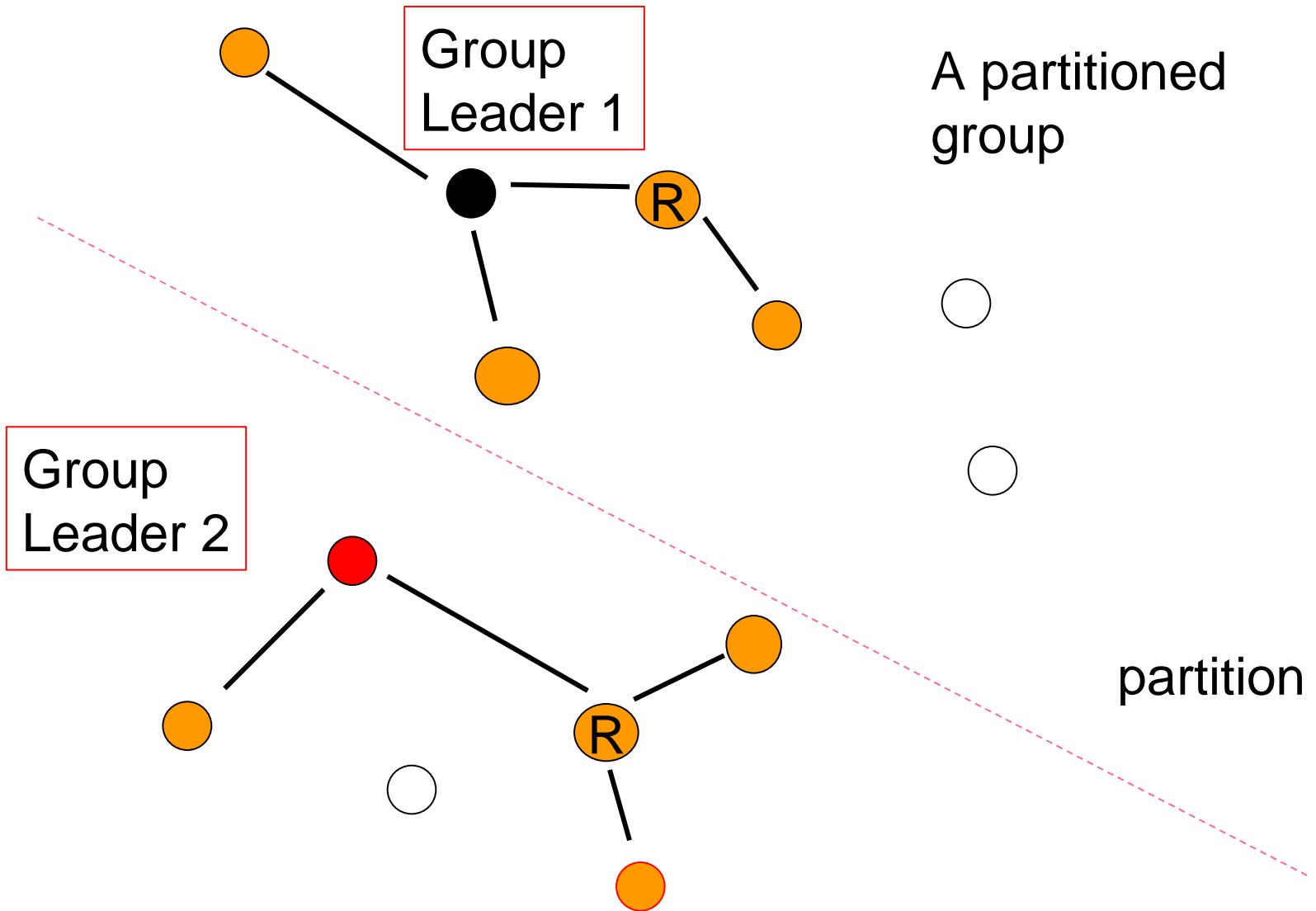
Example: Broken link (3)



AODV: Multicast RM (2)

- If the broken link cannot be repaired
 - The two parts of group remain partitioned
 - A new leader must be elected
 - If down stream is part of the tree it becomes the leader
 - If its is simply a router non part of MT, it sends a message to the other members to select the new leader

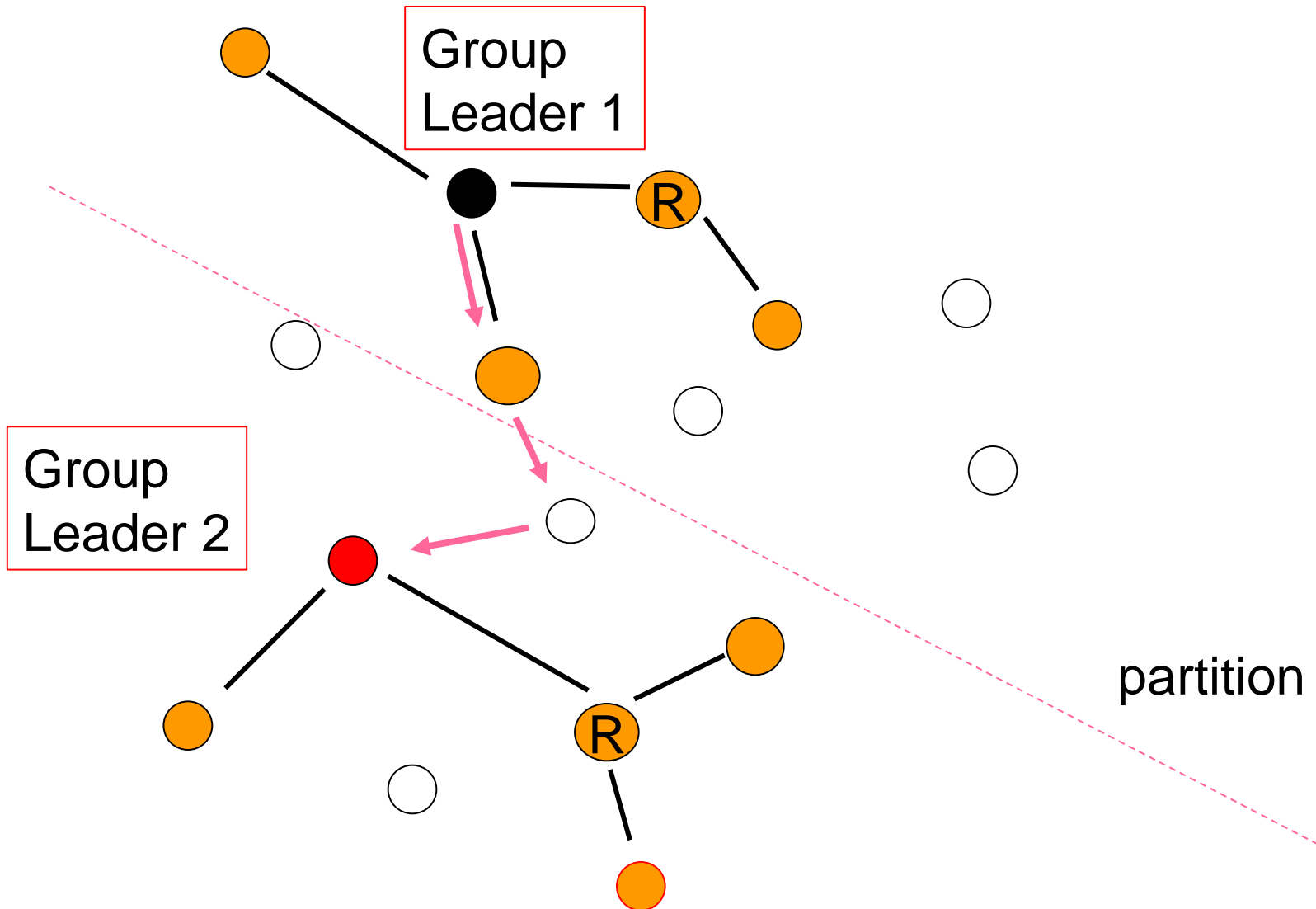
Example: Partitioned Group



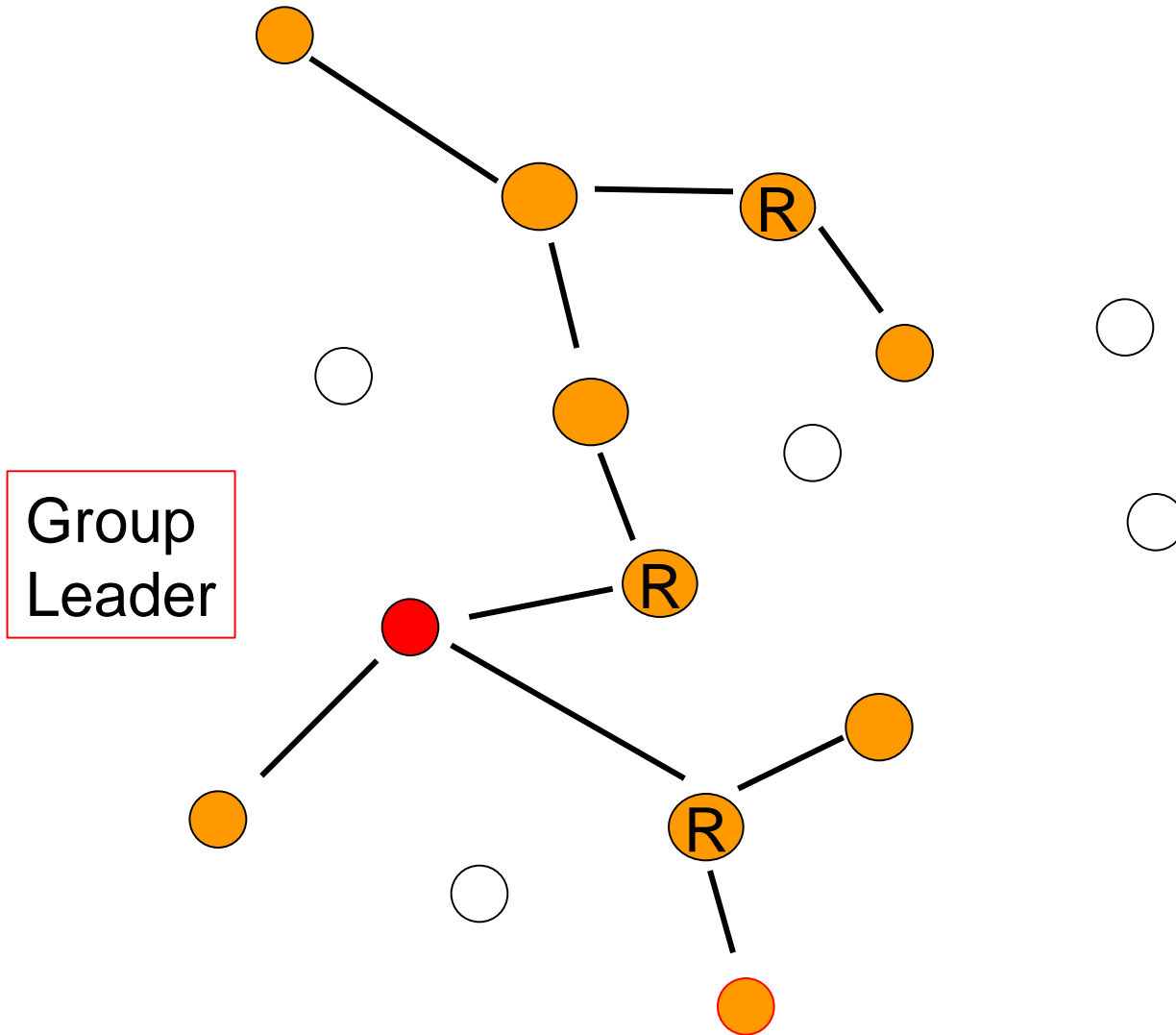
AODV: Multicast RM (3)

- Reconnecting a partitioned group
 - Group leaders broadcast a periodic GRPH (Group Hallo) to the network
 - GRPH includes IP of group leader and sequence number
 - If a leader hears a GPRH with another leader the two groups are within each other RR
 - They must e reconnected
 - GL with lower IP address starts procedure
 - Uses RREQ with repair flag set on

Example: Partitioned Group (2)



Example: Partitioned Group (3)



AODV: Packets

- AODV packets are standard IP packets
 - Uses standard IP fields such as source and destination address, TTL for hop counting
 - Details on RFC

AODV-DSR: Comparison

- Many studies in the literature
- DSR
 - Allows multiple routes
 - Supports unidirectional links
- AODV
 - Supports multicast

AODV-DSR: Comparison (2)

- With low traffic and low mobility
 - Both have an acceptable end-to-end delay, and small routing overhead (control packets)
- With high mobility, high traffic
 - AODV has an higher routing overhead due to control packets:
 - routes become congested and need to be rediscovered
 - DSR pays for multiple routes
 - With high mobility it is difficult to make sensible choices

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