



STANAG 5066

Profile for High-Frequency Data Communications:

ROADMAP / STATUS

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STANAG 5066 Edition 1- Scope

- Main body provides overview of the structure of the STANAG 5066

- **List of Annexes**

- A: Subnetwork Interfac
- B: Channel A
- C: F

Current Status: Ratified,
Promulgated, Deployed

(NATO BRASS, BFEM66, USAF SCOPE COMMAND)

- Data Rates above 2400 Bit/s (Mandatory)
- Implementation Guide and Notes (info only)
- Messages and Procedures for Frequency Change (info only)



STANAG 5066 Edition 2 (formerly Edition 1 Amendment 1) - Scope

- Main body provides overview of the standard
- List of Annexes
- A: ...

**Draft 6 Forwarded 26 Sept 2005
and ratified by 14+ nations; to
be promulgated**

- B: ... (Mandatory)
- C: ... (Mandatory)
- D: ... (Mandatory)
- E: ... (Mandatory)
- F: ... (Mandatory)
- G: ... (Mandatory)
- H: Implementation Guide and Notes (info only)
- I: Messages and Procedures for Frequency Change (info only)



STANAG 5066 Edition 3 (formerly Edition 2) –Scope

- Main body provides overview of the structure of the Protocol
- List of Annexes
 - A: Subnetwork Interface Sub-layer
 - B: Channel Access Sub-layer
 - C: Data Transfer Sub-layer
 - D: Interface between Data Link and Physical Communication Sub-layers
 - E: HF Channel Access Sub-layer

Roadmap Endorsed by
BLOS-COMMS AHWG Oct 2005,
work continuing ...

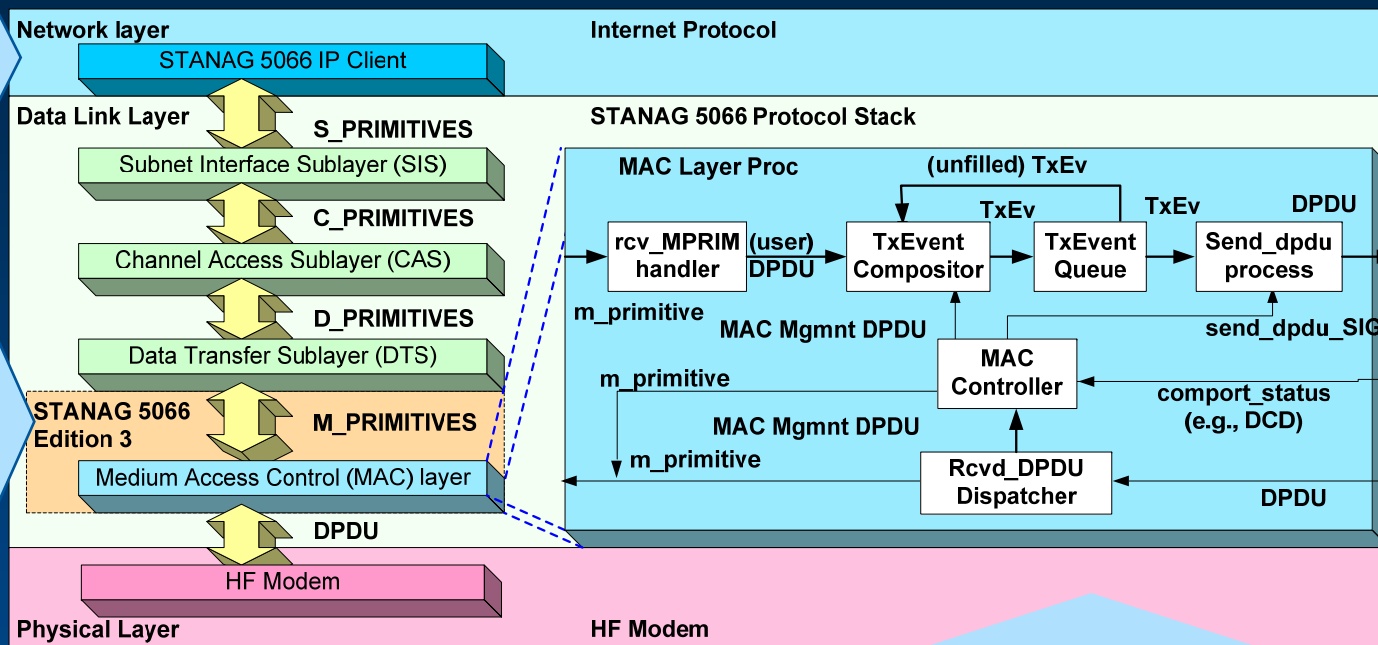
- F: ... (info only)
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- I: ... (info only)
- J: ... (info only)
- K: ... (info only)
- L: ... (info only)
- M: ... (info only)
- N: Addressing Guidance (info only)
- O: Integration with Internet Protocol (IP) Networks (info only)



Edition 3 (formerly Ed. 2) Overview

Annex F, N, O:
IP-over-HF Net-
working, trunking
& subnet relay

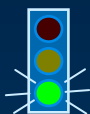
Annex J:
Overview of MAC-
layer functionality
Relationship to
other layers /
annexes



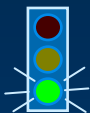
Annexes K, L, M: Tailored MAC-layer functionality for specific requirements:
Annex K: Random-Access Protocols
Annex L: HF Wireless Token Protocol (shown)
Annex M: reserved (e.g., for adaptive TDMA)



Summary – Way Ahead



- Annex J Media Access Control Overview
 - Working Draft 2 reviewed by BLOSCOMMS, no reviewer objections, ready



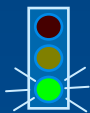
- Annex K Random-Access Control Protocols
 - Working Draft 2 reviewed by BLOSCOMMS, no reviewer objections, ready



- Annex L High-Frequency Wireless-Token-Ring-Protocol
 - Incorporated/addressed comments by Thales
 - Demonstrated limited WTRP interoperability between USN and NC3A implementation
 - Working Draft 3 to be amended to incorporate USN developments in robust token-relay management; planned completion 3Q 2009



- Annex M *unused / reserved*
 - *Determine relevance – intended as placeholder for (adaptive) TDMA approaches based on S'5066*



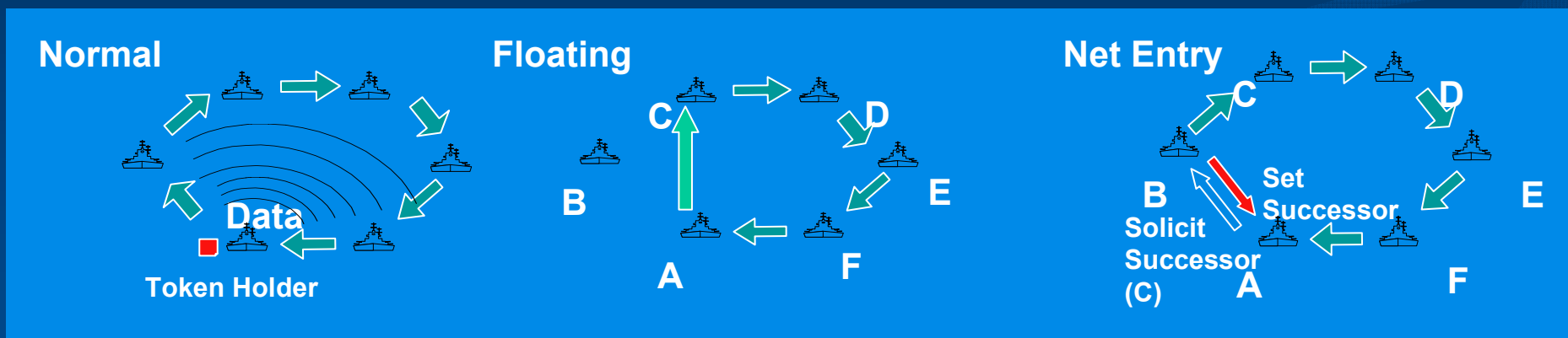
- Annex N Addressing Issues
 - Working Draft 2 reviewed by BLOSCOMMS, no reviewer objections



- Annex O Integration with Internet Protocol (IP) Networks
 - Working Draft 1 incorporating current practice (e.g. USN/NC3A), to be coordinated with NATO WIRA and subnet relay requirements

Recent Efforts

- **Principal efforts in finalizing Annex L for Wireless Token Ring Protocol (WTRP), responding to:**
 - review/commentary on earlier draft (primarily by France/Thales, asking for more-capable token-relay support)
 - US Navy initiatives in implementing robust token-relay support sparse topologies (e.g., BLOS HF and UHF)



WTRP – A distributed, self-organizing, self-healing, asynchronous Media-Access-Control Protocol:

- *net start, net entry, lost/missed tokens ...*
- *the ring defines the transmit-access cycle in the radio broadcast medium*



Token – Relay: the debate(1)

- **why and when is token-relay required (as opposed to relay of other traffic) :**
 - to relay the Right-to-Transmit when the successor is not reachable
 - in certain topologies (hub-and-spoke; linear)
 - these can occur as the ring grows in size and evolves even if the network does not require them in a later ring-configuration.
- **how to promote efficiency?**
 - restrict token-relay usage in the ring?
 - through optimistic joining?
 - ring-rethreading?



Token – Relay: the debate(2)

- **to what extent should token-relay be supported?**
 - the previous draft and implementations support one token-relay topology only, i.e., only one token relay is allowed in the network; BUT
 - USN has recently developed and tested a robust token-relay approach for sparse topologies where more than one relay may be required
- **Previous Annex L drafts adopted a conservative approach, previously implemented by US, that restricts the use of token-relay to limiting case of a three-node linear network**
- **What follows incorporates NC3A's present understanding of the current USN proposal and design for robust token-relay, as proposed at the BLOSCOMMS 2008/02 meeting.**



Principle of Extensibility : Example: HF-WTRP Token Message for Annex L

Extends S'5066 message catalog

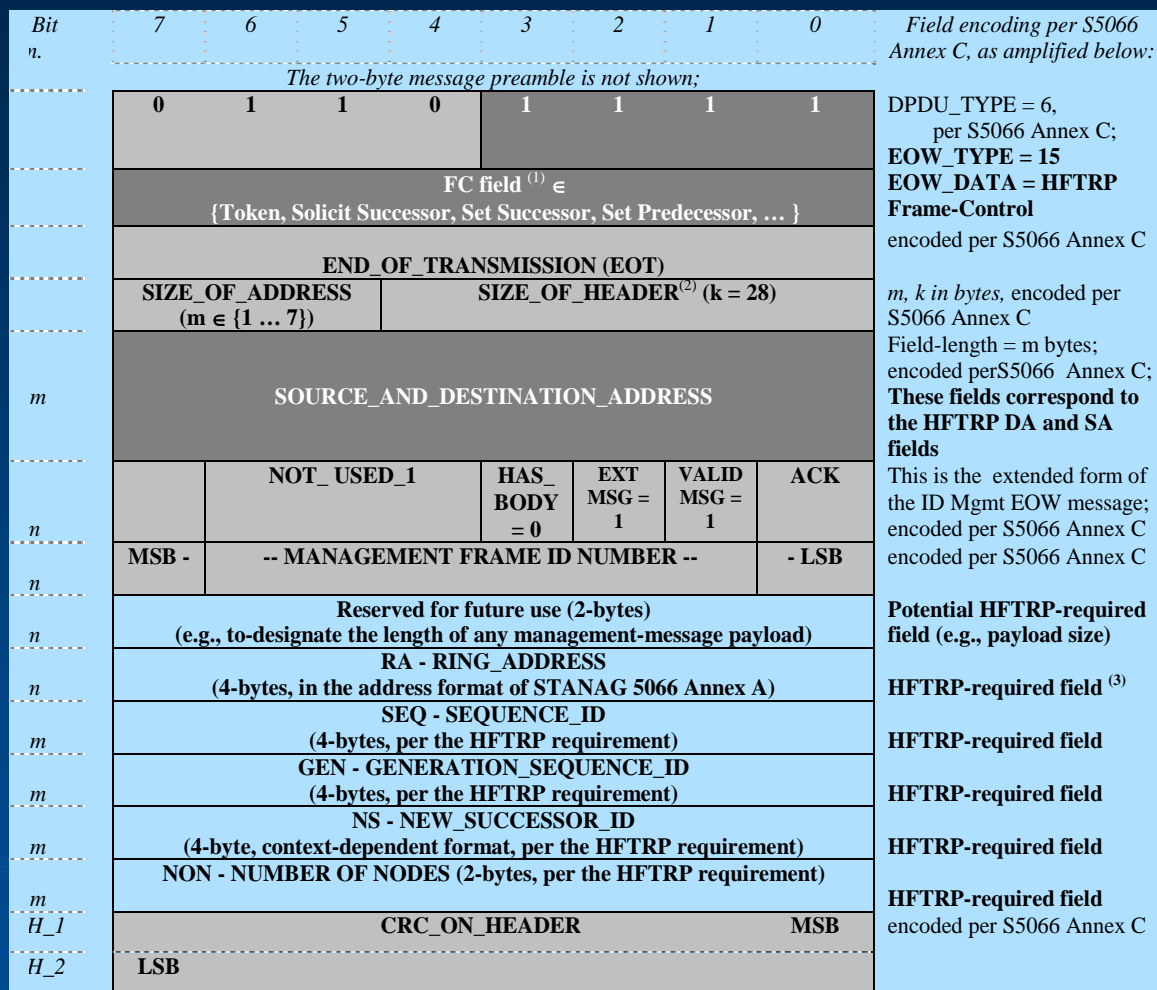
- existing message type, new subtype

HF-WTRP token implemented as a Type-6 DPDU Extended EOW Message

- based on the UC Berkeley WTRP IERs
- UCB-WTRP used wireless Ethernet MAC addresses (6 bytes)
- this design uses 4-byte STANAG 5066 addresses, (w/ variable-length source and destination addresses)

WTRP token fields:

- FC - frame control
- DA - destination address
- SA - source address
- RA - ring address (I.e., address of the node that instantiated the ring)
- SN - sequence number
- GSN - generation sequence number



Legend:

S'5066 Standard

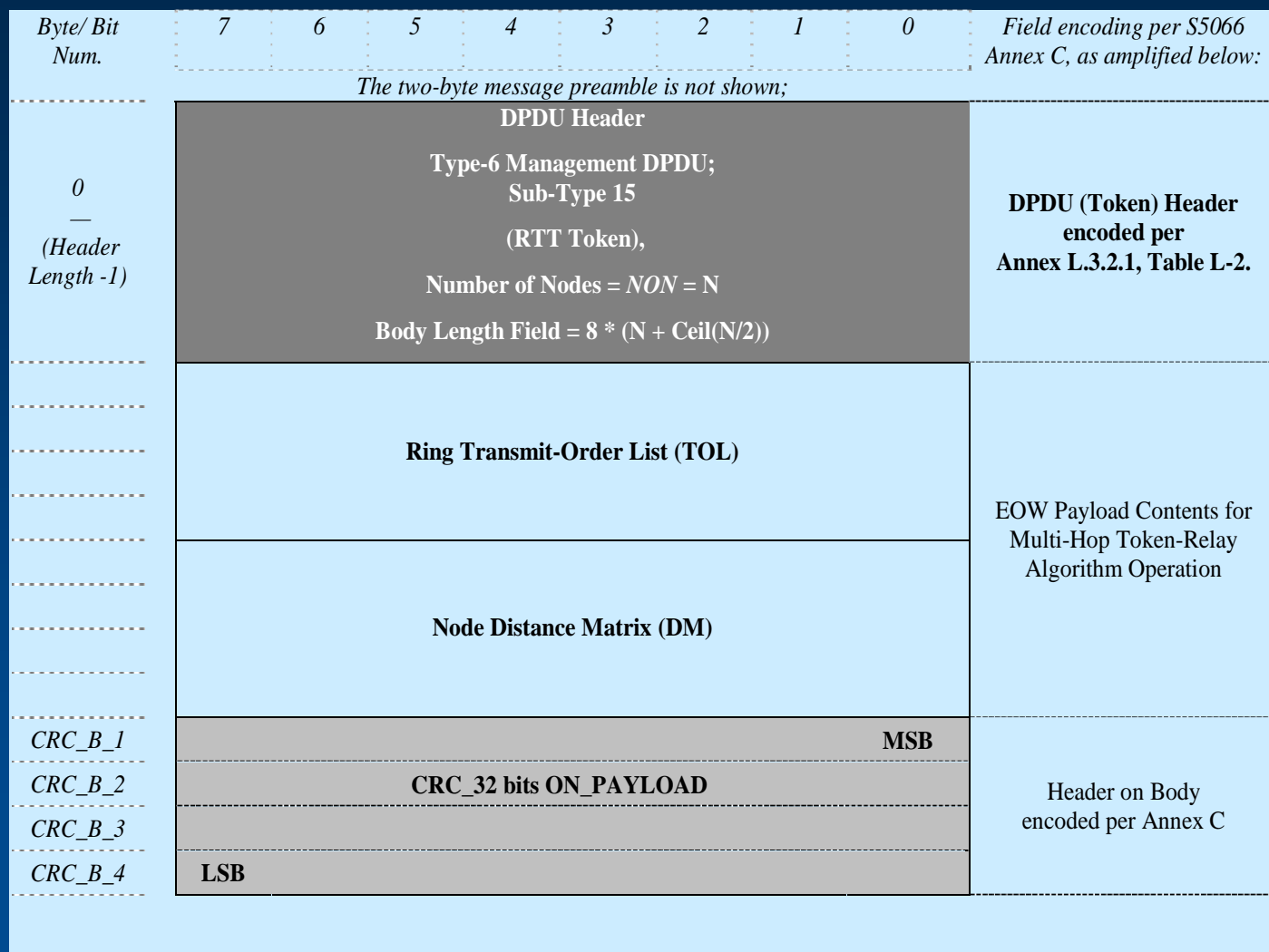
Dual-use: S'5066 & WTRP

HFWTRP-unique



Token Structure for Multi-Hop Token-Relay

- **Explicit inclusion of transmit-order list (TOL) and Distance Matrix, intended to tackle the problems of multi-hop token-relay head on.**
- **Allows fast-response to topology changes**
- **Provides TOL optimization and recovery from sub-optimal TOL creation**





Structure of Transmit-Order-List (TOL)

Provides

- Global knowledge of the Ring Transmit Cycle
- Rapid dissemination of TOL changes
- Advertisement of next solicitor-node
- Support for Interface auto-configuration through linkage of MAC-address to upper-layer protocol info (e.g., IPv4 address)

Byte/ Bit Num.	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	Field encoding per S5066 Annex C, as amplified below:
0	SOL = {0 1}				MSB				First Node-Address-Pair entry (in network-byte order)
1									
2	STANAG 5066 Node-Address 1								
3	LSB								
4	MSB								
5	IP-protocol usage (e.g., IPv4 Node-Address 1)								
6									
7	LSB								
$8(N-1) + 0$	SOL = {0 1}				MSB				N-th Node-Address-Pair entry (in network-byte order)
$8(N-1) + 1$									
$8(N-1) + 2$	STANAG 5066 Node-Address N								
$8(N-1) + 3$	LSB								
$8(N-1) + 4$	MSB								
$8(N-1) + 5$	IP-protocol usage (e.g., IPv4 Node-Address N)								
$8(N-1) + 6$									
$8(N-1) + 7$	LSB								



Distance Matrix Encoding (NON = Even)

- **Dense-packed matrix**
 - Variant packing for N even, and N odd
- **Size: $\text{Ceil}(N^2/2)$**
- **Dist(i,j) encodes the distance from n_i to n_j in 4 bits**

Byte/ Bit Num.	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	Field encoding as amplified below:
0	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,0}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,1}$	lsb	First Row of the Distance Matrix		
1	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,2}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,3}$	lsb			
...			
$\text{Ceil}(N/2)-1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,(N-2)}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{0,(N-1)}$	lsb	Second Row of the Distance Matrix		
$\text{Ceil}(N/2)$	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,0}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,1}$	lsb			
$\text{Ceil}(N/2)+1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,2}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,3}$	lsb			
$2*\text{Ceil}(N/2)-1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,(N-2)}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{1,(N-1)}$	lsb	k-th Row of the Distance Matrix		
$(k-1)*\text{Ceil}(N/2)$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),0}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),1}$	lsb			
$(k-1)*\text{Ceil}(N/2)+1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),2}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),3}$	lsb			
$(k)*\text{Ceil}(N/2)-1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),(N-2)}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(k-1),(N-1)}$	lsb	Last Row of the Distance Matrix		
$(N-1)*\text{Ceil}(N/2)$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),0}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),1}$	lsb			
$(N-1)*\text{Ceil}(N/2)+1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),2}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),3}$	lsb			
$N*\text{Ceil}(N/2)-1$	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),(N-2)}$	lsb	msb	$\text{dist}_{(N-1),(N-1)}$	lsb			

N.B.: $\text{Ceil}(x)$ is the smallest integer greater than or equal to x



Distance Matrix Encoding (NON = Odd)

- **Dense-packed matrix**
 - Variant packing for N even, and N odd
- **Size: Ceil (N²/2)**
- **Dist(i,j) encodes the distance from n_i to n_j in 4 bits**

Byte/ Bit Num.	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	Field encoding as amplified below:
0	msb	<i>dist</i> _{0,0}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{0,1}	lsb			First Row of the Distance Matrix
1	msb	<i>dist</i> _{0,2}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{0,3}	lsb			
...			Second Row of the Distance Matrix
Ceil(N/2)-1	msb	<i>dist</i> _{0,(N-1)}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{1,0}	lsb			
Ceil(N/2)	msb	<i>dist</i> _{1,1}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{1,2}	lsb			
N - 1	msb	<i>dist</i> _{1,(N-2)}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{1,(N-1)}	lsb			k-th Row of the Distance Matrix
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k-1),0}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k-1),1}	lsb			
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k-1),2}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k-1),3}	lsb			(k+1)-th Row of the Distance Matrix
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k-1),(N-1)}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k),(N-1)}	lsb			
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k),0}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k),1}	lsb			
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k),(N-2)}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(k),(N-1)}	lsb			Last Row of the Distance Matrix
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(N-1),0}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(N-1),1}	lsb			
	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(N-1),2}	lsb	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(N-1),3}	lsb			
Ceil(N ² /2)-1	msb	<i>dist</i> _{(N-1),(N-1)}	lsb	msb	0	lsb			

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Payload Size vs Network Size

Network Size = (NON)	Payload Size =	TOL Size	+	DM Size
2	18	16		2
3	29	24		5
4	40	32		8
5	53	40		13
6	66	48		18
7	81	56		25
8	96	64		32
N	$8*N + \text{Ceil}(N^2/2)$	$8*N$		$\text{Ceil}(N^2/2)$

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Mapping DM Row/Column Entries to Node Addresses

- **TOL and DM indices correspond:**
 - The i -th TOL entry contains the STANAG 5066 address of the 'from'-node in $\text{dist}_{i,j}$ and the 'to' node in $\text{dist}_{j,i}$
- **Manipulation of the TOL and DM must preserve this correspondence, e.g.,:**
 - insertion of a newly-joined network node into the TOL, shall result in the insertion of corresponding row and column elements in the DM;
 - deletion of a node from the network shall result in the deletion of the node from the TOL and the corresponding row and column elements in the DM;
 - re-ordering of the TOL (e.g., to implement a more efficient transmit sequence) shall result in a re-ordering of the corresponding row and column elements of the DM.



Three Cases/Scenarios that Elicit Change

■ Scenario 1 (Joining Scenario):

- A node joins the network and thereby must be inserted into both the TOL and the DM;

■ Scenario 2 (Transient-Topology Scenario):

- Changes in the network topology may result in changes in the distance matrix and may force a change in the TOL, e.g., when a successor node becomes unreachable (even with relay);

■ Scenario 3 (TOL-Optimization Scenario):

- Sub-optimal TOL (e.g., TOL that use more token relays than necessary) may evolve in a network during Joining or Transient Topology scenarios, and reconfiguration of the TOL to obtain a shorter RCL may be performed when the network topology has stabilized.



Transmit-Order-List Optimization

■ TOL Recomputation

- The ring's TOL is recomputed only after the TOL and the DM have been stable for one or more ring cycles, i.e.,
- A TOL is candidate for recomputation whenever:
 - $(\text{TOL}, \text{DM})_{\text{current}} = (\text{TOL}, \text{DM})_{\text{last}}$ and
 - $\text{RCL} > \text{Number of Nodes} = \text{minimum RCL}$

■ Modified Nearest Insertion Method (MNIM)

- One method for finding approximate solutions to the travelling salesman problem, closely related to finding an optimal TOL
- Effectively performs a virtual joining sequence (VJS), rebuilding the TOL by adding one node at a time.

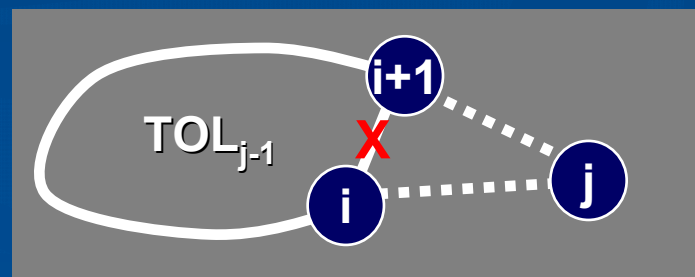
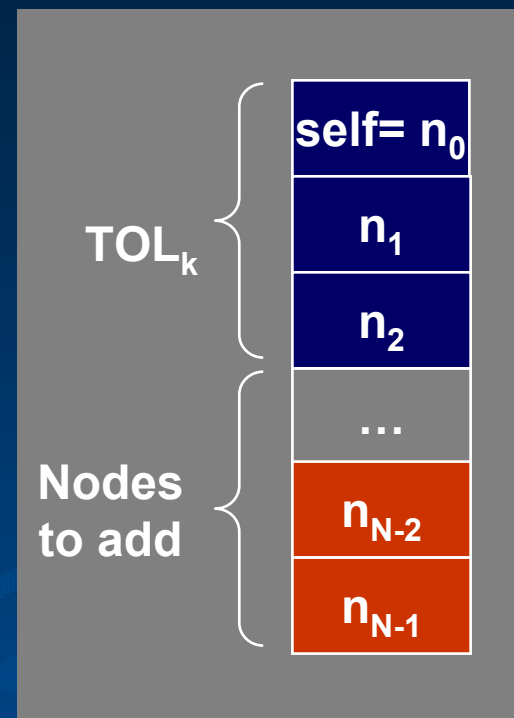


Virtual-Joining Sequence for TOL Reordering

- Randomize the TOL, placing self at top of list
- $TOL_k = (n_0, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k)$
 - the state of the transmit-order list after k nodes have been added,
- randomly choose node n_j from the remaining nodes, and
- insert n_j between the two nodes n_i and $n_{((i+1) \bmod k)}$ that minimizes the increase in RCL, i.e., that minimizes:

$$\Delta RCL_i = \text{dist}(n_i, n_j) + \text{dist}(n_j, n_{((i+1) \bmod k)}) - \text{dist}(n_i, n_{((i+1) \bmod k)})$$

- Repeat until all nodes have been added
- On own RTT, forward as new TOL iff RCL less than current TOL





Status and Way Ahead

- **Currently continuing requirements-capture and performance evaluation of the USN proposal**
 - Recent USN/AUSCANNZUKUS Risk-Reduction Limited-Objective Testing of the protocol at UHF shows good performance in a variety of 'challenging' scenarios ... looking for wider release of results to NATO
 - detailed assessment at lower HF data rates needs to be performed to assess overhead impact
- **NC3A intends to develop ratification-draft re-write of Annex L incorporating multi-hop token-relay capability**
 - Protocol / algorithm / message usage appear conformant with current S'5066 Ed 3 roadmap for robust IP-over-wireless capability
 - Present draft to BLOSCOMMS 09 in March, ratification-draft submission in 3Q 2009 following further tests



Questions?