

Loop Free Convergence Achieved by Integrating LOLS with FCFR and Gives Lower Convergence Time than OSPF

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ABSTRACT

The short-lived failures are reasonably common in IP networks, there are many ways with which local rerouting can be provided for high accessibility but most of them are for single link failure. Here, we are suggesting a Localized On-demand Link State (LOLS) routing to safeguard the forwarding continuity even with multiple failures restraining the propagation of failure information to just a few hops. LOLS cannot promise loop-free forwarding during route convergence and this is the motive why we are working on integrating Fast Convergence Fast Reroute (FCFR) practice with LOLS to ensure loop free rerouting and convergence even with many failures. Fast Convergence with Fast Reroute (FCFR), which uses a fast reroute design such as Not-Via and desires just one additional bit in the packet header with much less per-packet overhead. Integrating LOLS with FCFR is going to hold the excellence of LOLS of loop free forwarding and conquer downside of LOLS by ensuring loop free convergence.

Keywords

Fast Reroute, Failure Resilience, Local Rerouting.

1.INTRODUCTION

The internet plays an important role in our lives these days. Providing nonstop service accessibility even with momentary failures is the foremost dispute for the service providers. Unfortunately, service disorder occur even in well coped networks due to either link or node failure or both. To up keep growing time-sensitive requests in today's Internet, these networks require to tolerate failures with minimal service disturbance. For example, a disturbance time of longer than 50 ms is measured intolerable for mission-critical applications [1]. Hence, it is vital to plan schemes that shield the network against not only single failures but also multiple independent failures.

The vital notion behind LOLS (Localized On-demand Link State Routing) is to have packets transmit a blacklist of degraded links come across along the path that are to be avoided in order to guarantee loop-free forwarding. The interest of LOLS is that a packet's blacklist is reset as soon as it makes forward progress towards the destination, restraining the reach of failure information to just a small amount of hops. LOLS considers a link as degraded if its current state (say "down") is worse than its globally advertised state (say "up"). Under LOLS, each packet carries a blacklist (a minimal set of degraded links come across along its path), and the next hop is determined by excluding the blacklisted links [2]. A packet's blacklist is initially void and remains blank when there is no disagreement between the current and the advertised states of links along its path. But when a

packet reaches at a node with a tainted link neighboring to its next hop, that link is added to the packet's blacklist. The packet is then advanced to an alternate next hop.

The packet's blacklist is re-tune to empty when the next hop makes forward progress, i.e., the next hop has a smaller path to the destination than any of the nodes navigated by the packet. With these simple steps, LOLS propagates the state of degraded links only when essential, and as far as necessary, and confirms loop-free delivery to all local destinations.

LOLS cannot promise loop-free forwarding during route convergence [2]. Traditional routing schemes such as OSPF activate link state advertisements in reaction to a modification in topology, and cause network-wide computation of routing tables. Such a global rerouting suffers some delay before traffic forwarding can resume on another paths. During this convergence delay, routers may have uneven sights of the network, resulting in forwarding or routing loops and dropping of packets [4].

In order to avoid routing loops during this intermediate period, other authors have suggested schemes such as ordered updates [5] and SafeGaurd technique [6]. But ordered updates have extends the convergence period and SafeGaurd technique add multiple bytes in the header. Fast Convergence Fast Reroute (FCFR) is a technique which uses such as Not-Via to create alternate path during the convergence process. This is why we are working on integrating Fast Convergence Fast Reroute (FCFR) technique with LOLS to ensure loop free rerouting and convergence even with multiple failures. Fast Convergence with Fast Reroute (FCFR), which employs a fast reroute scheme such as Not-Via and needs just one additional bit in the packet header with much less per-packet overhead [3].

Integrating LOLS with FCFR is going to retain the quality of LOLS of loop free forwarding and overcome drawback by ensuring loop free convergence too. We provide the details of this integration in next sections.

2.PROPOSED SYSTEM

2.1 Problem Description:

Using LOLS^[2], the multiple link failure can be handled. This makes sure that the data is delivered to destination even if the link is failed. Moreover, it does not transmit the facts of link failure to all the destinations if the link is failed for the duration less than the threshold.

The problem definition is to handling multiple link failures in IP network using Localized On-demand Link state routing while, to avoid loops at the time of convergence, integrate it with FCFR technique. The problem with the LOLS is that, it does not promise loop free forwarding at the time of convergence. The issue is handled using integrating the same with fast convergence and fast reroute technique, employs a fast reroute scheme such as

Not-Via and desires just one extra bit in the packet header with far less per-packet overhead.

In flow of activities, we will be creating nodes using JAVA programming and enable user of the system to send and receive the packets. To perform the forwarding of the packets, we shall apply greedy forwarding algorithm. While forwarding the packets using greedy forwarding, if we will come across the down link, we will apply the blacklist based forwarding algorithm.

2.2 Greedy Forwarding algorithm:

We need to select a succeeding hop such that the packet does not get trapped in a forwarding loop. An approach to assure loop-freedom is to apply greedy forwarding that forwards the packet along a route with reducing cost to the destination, i.e., every hop makes forward progress in the direction of the destination. It is crucial that the path cost is determined regularly at all nodes based on the broadcasted topology.

A packet is usually advanced in greedy mode to a succeeding hop along the path with reducing cost (w.r.t. the announced topology) to the endpoint. When a packet comes across a dead-end (whose cost to the destination is lesser than any of the potential subsequent hops) in greedy mode, instead of dropping the packet, it is advanced in recovery mode.

In recovery mode, packets carry a blacklist, which is a set of degraded links come across the route. A packet's subsequent hop is selected along a path that does not contain blacklisted links. The forwarding of a packet is swapped back to greedy mode, i.e., the blacklist is returned to empty, when it reaches at a node with lower cost (w.r.t. the announced topology) to the destination than the node at which it moved in the recovery mode. Thus, LOLS successfully transmits link state on demand, and only to as several nodes as essential.

We want to point out that this algorithm is a variation of standard greedy forwarding as it does not continuously select a next hop with maximum forward advancement. Instead, it chooses a next hop such that it aggregates to shortest path forwarding when there are no down links, which is surely a desired.

2.3 Blacklist based forwarding algorithm [2]:

In Localized On-demand Link State routing, every packet p carries a blacklist $p.blist$ with it while traveling through the network in its header, and packet is to destination or next hops based on both $p.dest$ and $p.blist$. The $blist$ that is blacklist is initialized to NULL at the source and it increases or shrinks as and when required during the whole forwarding process.

There are rules present for updating the packets blacklist $p.blist$ at node i , the rules are briefed here.

1. The link from i to j is added to blacklist if
 - a. Link is degraded
 - b. No feasible next hop is present without the link i to j
 - c. If the link i to j had not been down, then this link could have been the shortest path.
2. The blacklist is returned to NULL when
 - a. The feasible next of i is present
 - b. The cost from j to destination is less than that of any other node traversed by packet p .

2.4 Integrating with FCFR

We suggest fast convergence with fast reroute (FCFR), which uses an existing technique such as NotVia to generate

alternate routing during the convergence procedure. Each router preserves two duplicates of their forwarding information table. The before change (bc) forwarding table relates to the fast reroute topology and the after convergence (ac) table is produced once the router has calculated the restructured topology. Each packet carries a bit that specifies its forwarding mode, i.e., which of these two tables are used for forwarding it that particular bit.

The outcome is that routers which have not yet calculated their altered table scan remain to use the bc tables in order to send packets during the convergence procedure. Routers that have a view of the new topology initiate to forward packets with the ac table. However, if the packets reach to a router with only the bc table, the router will revert to using that table. Once a packet has been sent using a bc forwarding table, the packet cannot return using a route from the ac topology.

This promises that packets which originate at an updated router will every time get transported, either along an ac route, or a grouping of an ac route and the bc route. Packets initiating at not yet updated routers follow the bc path all the way to the destination. Thus, FCFR guarantees loop-freedom while advancing packets along the ideal routes as soon as possible.

During the forwarding phase the above mentioned algorithms will be used, while during convergence period, the forwarding shall happen according to FCFR technique to ensure loop-free convergence too.

3. RESULTS

LOLS cannot promise loop-free forwarding during route convergence for this reason the use of FCFR is done. By integrating these two eminent techniques, the network will be sustainable for short-lived multiple failures and will be loop free in case of convergence. In this section we have compared LOLS with OSPF (Link State Routing Protocol), we use following given topologies starting from topology 1 to topology 4.

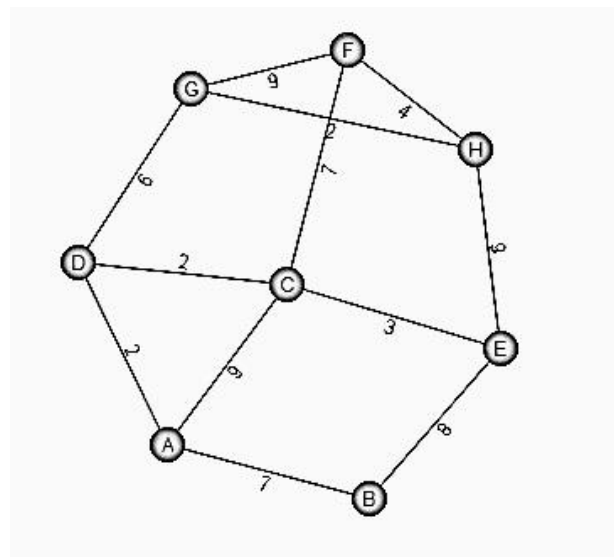


Figure 1: Topology 1

We have measured the performance of LOLS integrated with FCFR technique for above mentioned topologies on the basis of parameters such as Failure Propagation Distance, Path stretch, and Convergence time.

Failure Propagation Distance: We keep track of the distance in hops from the node adjacent to a failure to the farthest node that received the failure information through a packet's

blacklist. In below chart we represent the failure propagation distance in case of LOLS-FCFR and OSPF with scenarios of 2 and 3 failures.

Path Stretch: Path Stretch is the ratio of the path cost under a given idea which can be the idea with which you are comparing your results, and the optimal shortest path. With no failures, there is no variation between the LOLS-FCFR paths and the best possible shortest paths, and so the stretch is 1. In the graphs above, we can see that the Path stretch and Propagation Distance is less than OSPF for all the four topologies considered above. The last and the final result which is convergence time of LOLS-FCFR lower than that of OSPF is shown in figure 9 and 10 respectively for 2 and 3 failures.

With this approach, we can reach both fast rerouting and fast convergence. During the time the network is recompiling new routes, a fast reroute design like NotVia can forward packets to their destinations, though over a sub-optimal path. This in itself is no improved or inferior than any other fast reroute scheme. However, our key benefit is that throughout convergence, we can get loop-freedom without incurring any added cost in

convergence time. Therefore, the network is equipped as soon as possible to battle with a new breakdown.

4.CONCLUSION

In this paper, we presented an idea of LOLS integrating with FCFR, for controlling multiple failures in IP backbone networks and providing loop free convergence. The fundamental notion behind LOLS is to have packets carry a blacklist of degraded links came across the path that are to be escaped in order to guarantee loop-free forwarding. The significant feature of LOLS is that a packet's blacklist is reset to null as soon as it makes forward movement in the direction of the destination, restricting the propagation of failure information to limited hops. LOLS cannot promise loop-free forwarding during route convergence for this reason the use of FCFR is done. By integrating these two eminent techniques, the network will be sustainable for short-lived multiple failures and will be loop free in case of convergence. This technique can be enhanced for the MANET system.

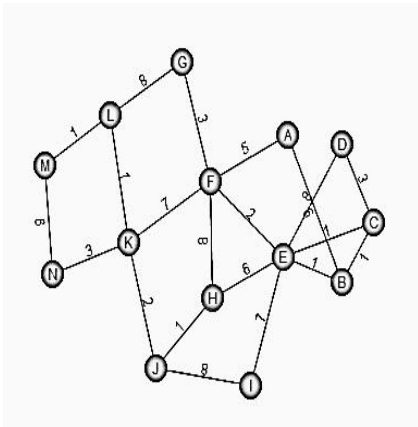


Figure 2: Topology 2

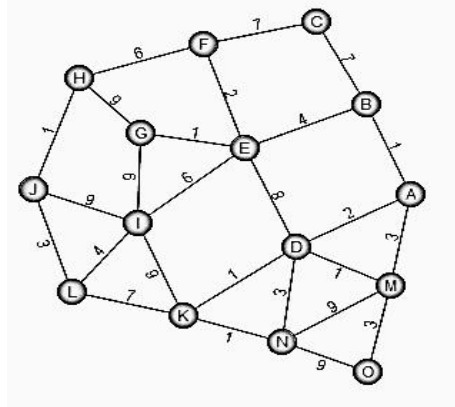


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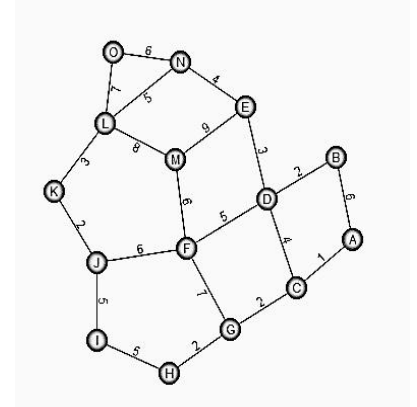


Figure 4: Topology 4

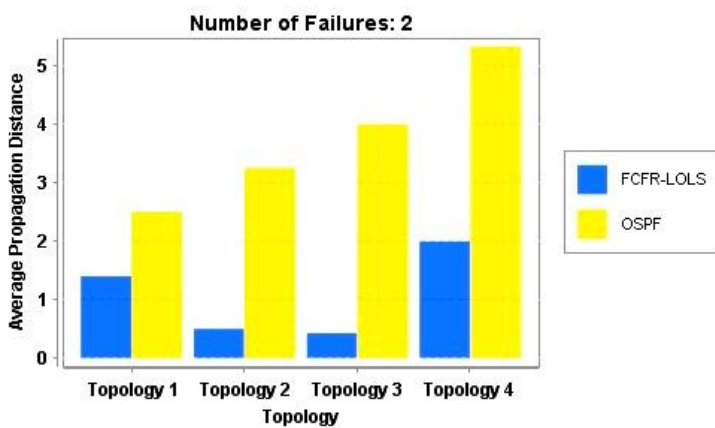


Figure 5: Average Propagation distance for 2 failures

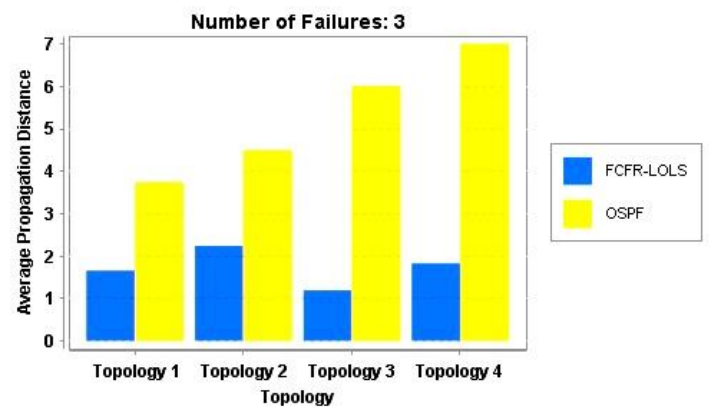


Figure 6: Average Propagation distance for 3 failures

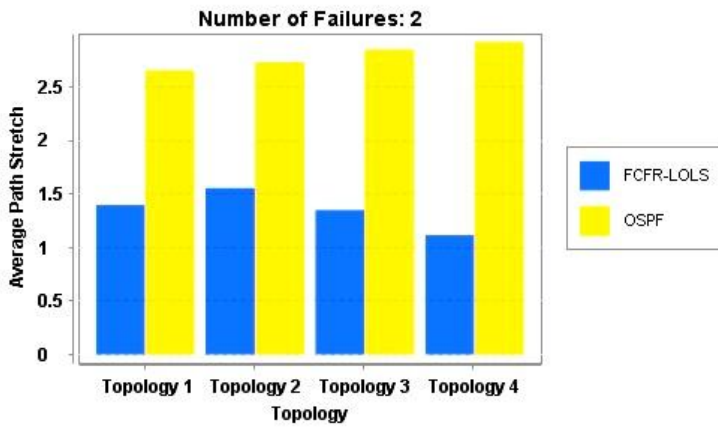


Figure 7: Average Path Stretch for 2 failures

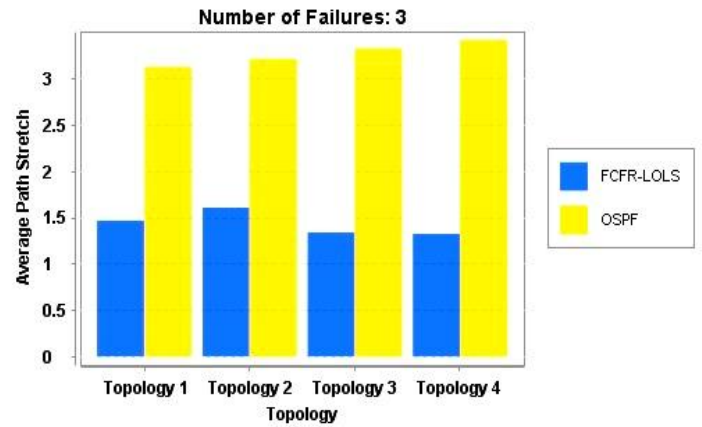


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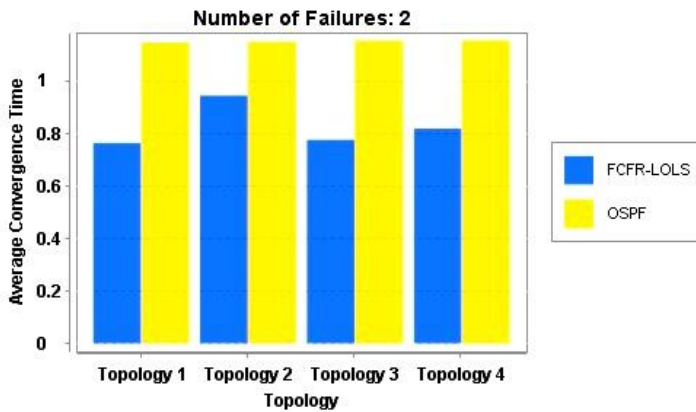


Figure 9: Average Convergence Time for 2 failures

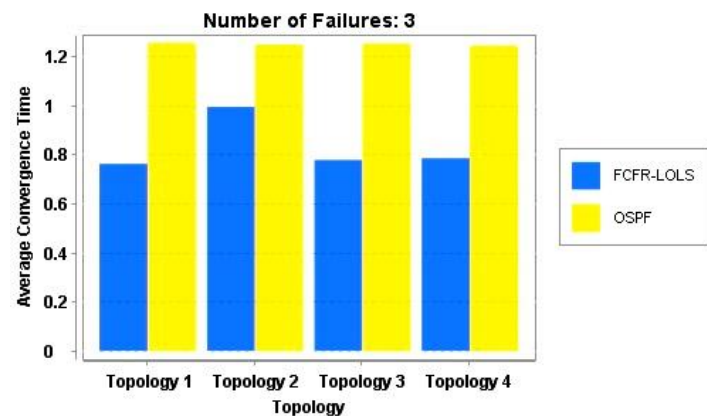


Figure 10: Average Convergence Time for 3 failures

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