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### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

# Frequency Hopping Based Performance Evaluation of AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR for 1 Mbps Using OPNET

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*Abstract— In this paper analysis and performance of AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR is done for 1 mbps data rate. We used OPNET Simulation tool we created a network containing 30 mobile nodes with data rate 1 Mbps with transmission power 0.005 watts and buffer size 1024000 bits each node moves randomly in the network and simulation time was 1500 sec. Routing protocols are compared in terms of WLAN Load, WLAN Media Access Delay, WLAN Retransmission Attempts (packets), WLAN Throughput and WLAN Delay (sec). According to the analysis of resulted performance in 1 Mbps we can say that DSR > GRP > AODV > OLSR. The simulation result of the research has practical reference value for further study.*

*Keywords— AODV, DSR, GRP, OLSR, MANET, OPNET*

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## I. INTRODUCTION

MANET is a dynamic distributed network. This dynamic nature makes the network topology to keep changes randomly. The mobility of nodes in MANETs results in frequent changes of network topology making routing in MANETs a challenging task. Routing protocol is the major issue in data communication's performance of MANET. Protocols like AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR in MANET helps node to send and receive packets and each node acts both as a router and as a host. Hence, routing protocol required is to be effective and accurate so as to handle mobility of nodes for giving best utilization to technology. Nodes are like laptop, computers and wireless phones have a limited transmission range for direct transmission. The success of communication depends on cooperation of other nodes. [5]

The Ad hoc On-Demand Distance Vector (AODV) algorithm enables dynamic, self-starting, multi-hop routing between participating mobile nodes wishing to establish and maintain an ad hoc network. It is a relative of the Bellman-Ford distant vector algorithm, but is adapted to work in a mobile environment. In AODV, every node maintains a table, containing information about which neighbor to send the packets to

in order to reach the destination. AODV allows mobile nodes to respond to link breakages and changes in network topology in a timely manner. [1]

The Dynamic Source Routing (DSR) Protocol is a source routed on-demand routing protocol. A node maintains route caches containing the source routes that it is aware of. The node updates entries in the route cache when it learns about new routes. In its packet head, each given routing packet has a complete and ordered node list which the packet will pass inevitably. [2]

The Gathering based routing protocol (GRP) collects network information at a source node with a small amount of control overheads. According to the information collected, source node can find routes and continuously transmit data even if the current route is disconnected. Mobile Ad hoc network (MANET) is a dynamic network formed without the use of any existing infrastructure or centralized administration. Each device in a MANET is free to move independently in any direction due to its dynamic nature. The mobility of nodes in MANETs results in frequent changes of network topology making routing in MANETs a challenging task. The result of this approach is achieving fast transfer with less overhead of control messages. [3]

The Optimized Link State Routing Protocol (OLSR) is developed for mobile ad hoc networks (MANET's). It operates as a table driven, proactive protocol, i.e., exchanges topology information with other nodes of the network regularly. Each node selects a set of its neighbor nodes as "multipoint relays" (MPR). In OLSR, only nodes, selected as such MPR's, are responsible for forwarding control traffic, intended for diffusion into the entire network. MPRs provide an efficient mechanism for flooding control traffic by reducing the number of transmissions required. [4]

## II. RELATED WORK

Narender[1] In this paper analysis of the performance of AODV routing protocol is done with the use of OPNET simulation tool, they created a 27 mobile nodes networks on data rate 1 and 11 Mbps and transmission power 0.005 watts with buffer size 256000 bits the time of simulation was 1200 sec. AODV routing protocol is compared in terms of AODV Route Discovery time, FTP Download Response Time(sec), HTTP Object Response Time (sec), WLAN Delay (sec) and AODV Total Cached Replies Sent in scenario for the simulation analysis and performances.

Parulpreet[2] This paper evaluates the performance of reactive (DSR) routing protocols in MANETs based on Average end-to-end delay, Throughput using OPNET 14.5. The performance DSR routing protocols is evaluated with respect to throughput and end-to-end delay under different traffic load using OPNET simulator.

Vineet[3] In this paper analysis of Comparative performance of Infra Red WLAN and Extended Rate PHY (802.11g) WLAN is done for 1 and 2 mbps data rate for GRP. We used OPNET Simulation tool we created a network containing 20 mobile nodes with data rate 1 Mbps and 2 Mbps with transmission power 0.005 watts and buffer size 1024000 bits each node moves randomly in the network and simulation time was 1500 sec. Infra Red WLAN and Extended Rate PHY (802.11g) WLAN is compared in terms of 1 Mbps for different QOS's using GRP protocol.

Narender[4] In this paper analysis and performance of OLSR is done for 1 and 11 mbps data rate. We used OPNET Simulation tool we created a network containing 27 mobile nodes with data rate 1 Mbps and 11 Mbps with transmission power 0.005 watts and buffer size 256000 bits each node moves randomly in the

network and simulation time was 2000 sec. OLSR routing protocol is compared in terms of OLSR Performance Topology changes, FTP Download Response Time(sec), HTTP Object Response Time (sec), WLAN Retransmission Attempts (packets) and OLSR MPR count .

### III. SIMLATION SETUP

This research used software known as OPNET Modeler, Which is a tool provided by the OPNET Technologies in order to undertake the experimental evaluation; the version named OPNET Modeler 14.5 has been adopted for study [9]. OPNET is one of the most extensively used commercial simulators based on Microsoft Windows platform, which incorporates most of the MANET routing parameters compared to other commercial simulators. It simulates the network graphically and gives the graphical structure of actual networks and network components.

TABLE I  
SIMULATION PARAMETERS

Simulation Parameter	Value
Simulator	OPNET Modular 14.5
Area	1500*1500
Network Size	30 Nodes
Data Rate	1 Mbps
Mobility Model	Random waypoint
Simulation Time	1500 sec
Address Mode	IPV4
Standard	IEEE 802.11 Frequency Hopping
Routing Protocol	AODV, DSR, GRP, OLSR

TABLE II  
AODV PARAMETERS

Attribute	Value
Active Route Timeout	4.0
Hello Interval(sec)	Uniform(1,1.2)
Allowed Hello Loss	1
Net Diameter	35
Node Traversal Time(sec)	0.04
Route Error Rate Limit (pkts/sec)	10
Timeout Buffer	5
TTL Start	1
TTL Increment	2
TTL Threshold	7
Local Add TTL	2
Packet Queue Size (Packets)	Infinity
Local Repair	Enabled
Addressing Mode	IPV4

TABLE III  
DSR PARAMETERS

Attribute	Value
Request Table Size (nodes)	64
Maximum Request Table Identifiers	16
Maximum Request Retransmissions	16
Maximum Request Period (sec)	10
Initial Request Period (sec)	0.5
Non Propagating Request Timer	0.03
Maximum Buffer size (pkts)	100
Maintenance Holdoff Time (sec)	0.5
Maximum Maintenance Retransmissions	3
Maintenance Acknowledgement Timer	0.7
DSR Routs Exports	Export
Packet Salvaging	Enabled
Broadcast Jitter (sec)	Uniform(0,0.01)

TABLE IV  
GRP PARAMETERS

Attribute	Value
Hello Interval(Sec)	Uniform(1,1.1)
Neighbor Expiry Time(Sec)	Constant(25)
Distance Moved(Meters)	500
Position Request Timer(Sec)	10.0
Backtrack Option	Enabled
Routes Export	Enabled
Number Of Initial Floods	3

TABLE V  
OLSR PARAMETERS

Attribute	Value
Willingness	Willingness High
Hello Interval(sec)	3.0
TC Interval(sec)	10.0
Neighbor Hold Time(Sec)	8.0
Topology Hold Time(Sec)	20.0
Duplicate Message Hold Time(Sec)	20.0
Addressing Mode	IPV4

TABLE VI  
WIRELESS LAN PARAMETERS

Attribute	Value
Physical Characteristics	Frequency Hopping
Data Rate	1 Mbps
Short Retry Limit	9
Long Retry Limit	7

Max Receive Lifetime (sec)	0.5
Buffer Size(bits)	1024000
Roaming Capability	Enabled
Large Packet Processing	Fragment

Fig. 1 shows the simulation environment of scenario containing 30 WLAN mobile nodes, one fixed WLAN Server, Application definition, Profile definition and Mobility config. We configure the nodes in the scenario to work with 1 Mbps data rate in Frequency Hopping.

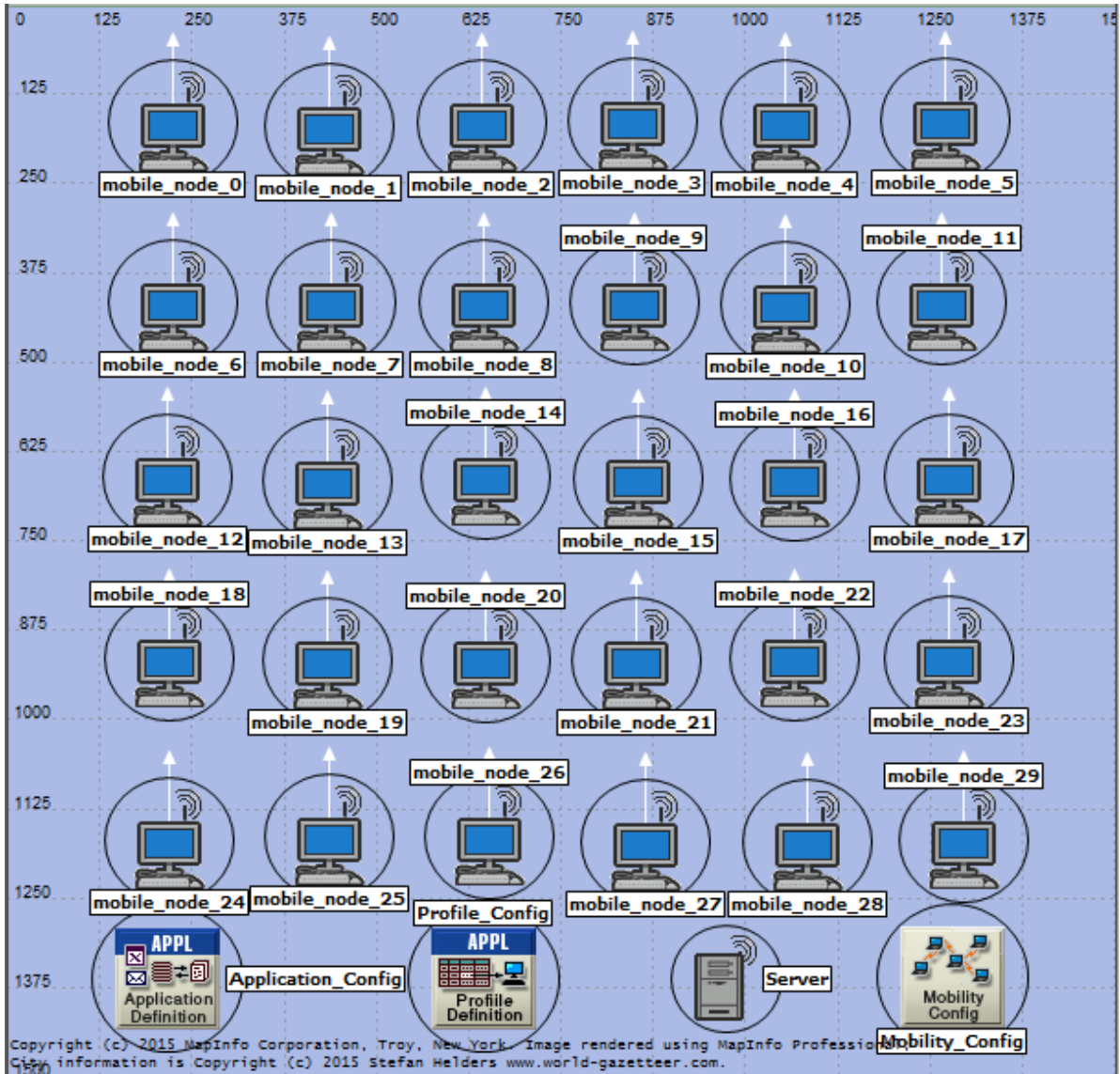


Fig. 1 Network Model for 30 Nodes scenario

#### IV. PERFORMANCE MERICS

##### A. WLAN Load

Represents the total load (in bits/sec) submitted to wireless LAN layers by all higher layers in all WLAN nodes of the network.

*B. WLAN Media Access Delay*

It represents the global statistic for the total of queuing and contention delays of the data, management, delayed Block-ACK and Block-ACK Request frames transmitted by all WLAN MACs in the network.

*C. WLAN Retransmission Attempts (packets)*

It is the total number of retransmission attempts by all WLAN MACs in the network until either packet is successfully transmitted or it is discarded as a result of reaching short or long retry limit.

*D. WLAN Throughput*

It represents the total number of bits (in bits/sec) forwarded from wireless LAN layers to higher layers in all WLAN nodes of the network.

*E. WLAN Delay (sec)*

It is the time taken by a packet from the movement it is transmitted on the network by source node to reach the destination node.

**V. SIMULATION RESULTS AND ANALYSIS**

Figure (2 - 6) below shows WLAN Load, WLAN Media Access Delay, WLAN Retransmission Attempts (packets), WLAN Throughput and WLAN Delay (sec) in 30 mobile nodes scenario for IEEE 802.11 Frequency Hopping standard at data rate 1 Mbps with AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR. The color scheme is showing the protocols behavior in different graphs which gives clear visual information on there performance. From these graphs we will conclude the behavior of all these routing protocols.

*A. WLAN Load*

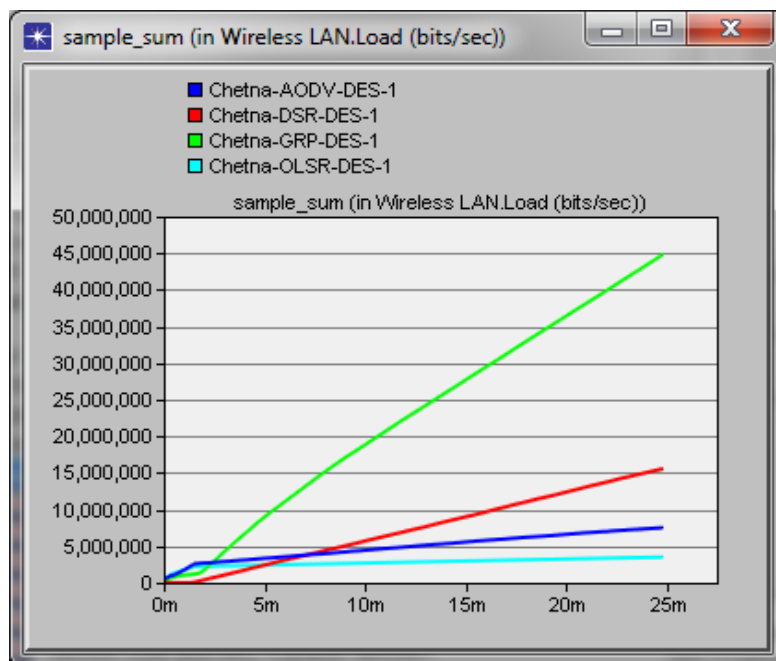


Fig. 2 Sample Sum for WLAN Load in 1Mbps for AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR

According to simulation, as we can see in Fig. 2, Resulted Performance is  $GRP > DSR > AODV > OLSR$

*B. WLAN Media Access Delay*

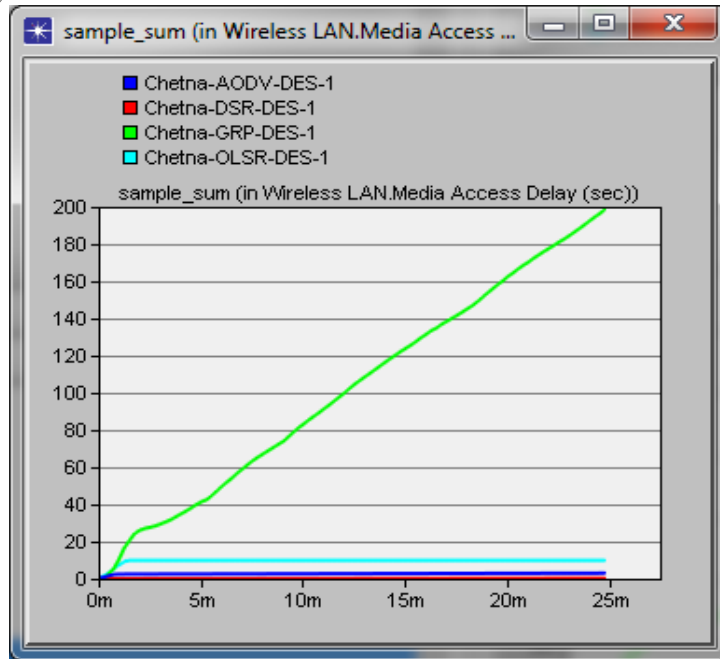


Fig. 3 Sample Sum for WLAN Media Access Delay in 1Mbps for AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR

According to simulation, as we can see in Fig. 3, Resulted Performance is  $DSR > AODV > OLSR > GRP$

*C. WLAN Retransmission Attempts (packets)*

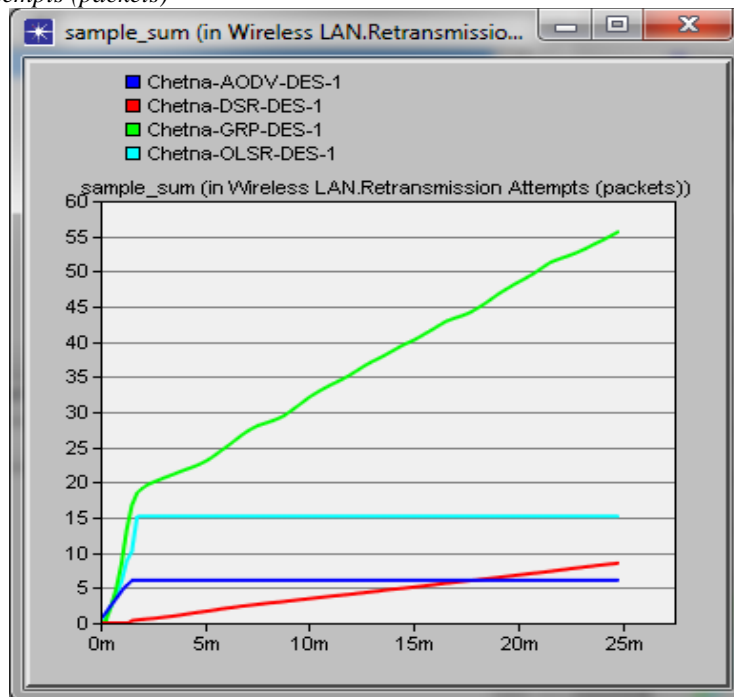


Fig. 4 Sample Sum for WLAN Retransmission Attempts in 1Mbps for AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR

According to simulation, as we can see in Fig. 4, Resulted Performance is GRP > OLSR > DSR > AODV  
 D. WLAN Throughput

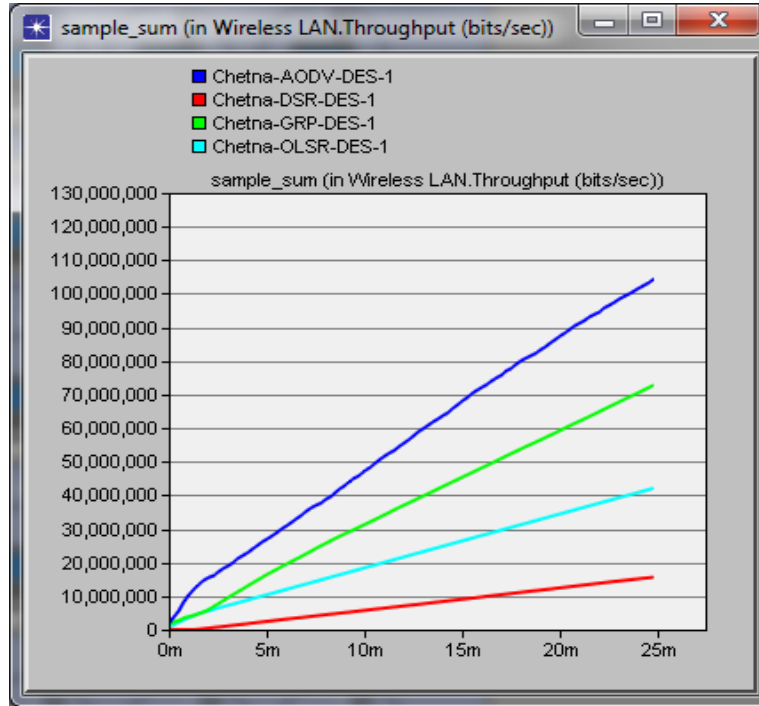


Fig. 5 Sample Sum for WLAN Throughput in 1Mbps for AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR

According to simulation, as we can see in Fig. 5, Resulted Performance is AODV > GRP > OLSR > DSR

E. WLAN Delay (sec)

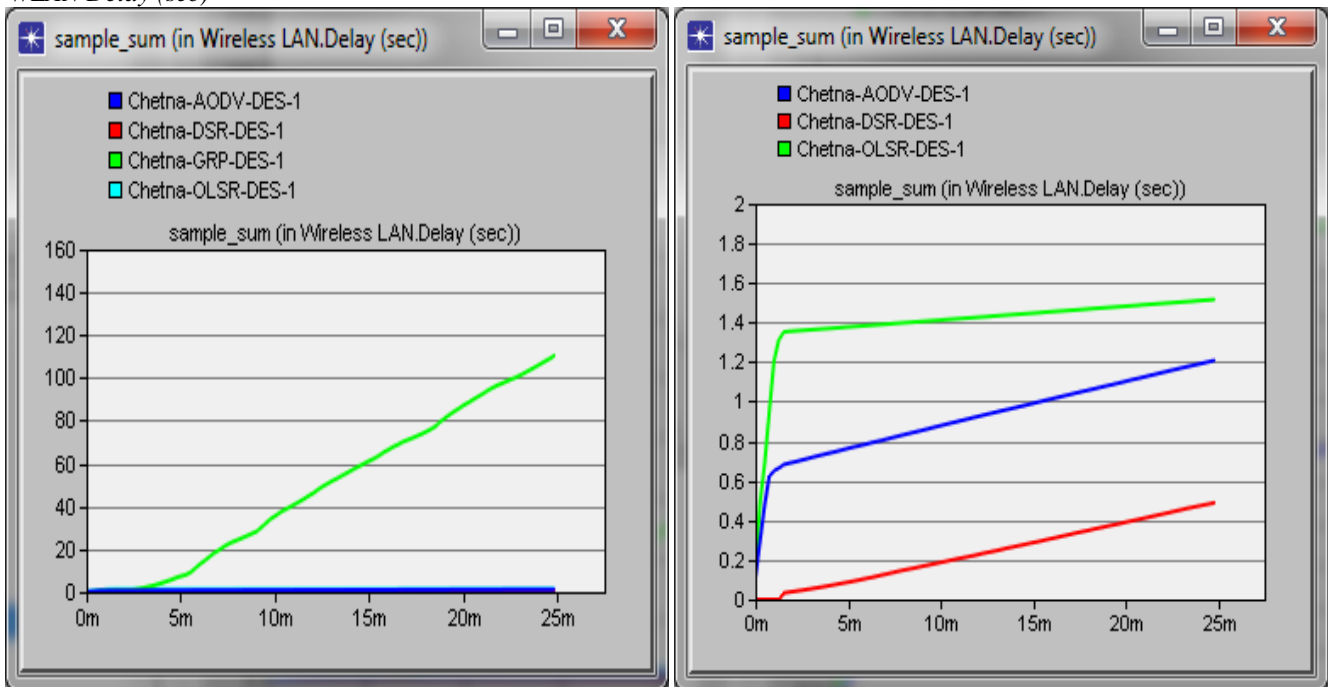


Fig. 6 Sample Sum for WLAN Delay in 1Mbps for AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR

According to simulation, as we can see in Fig. 6, Resulted Performance is DSR > AODV > OLSR > GRP



## VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper performance of AODV, DSR, GRP and OLSR is compared in terms of WLAN parameters like Load, Media Access Delay, Retransmission Attempts, Throughput and Delay. According to resulted performance we can say that DSR performed best for WLAN Media Access Delay and WLAN Delay while GRP performed best for WLAN Load and WLAN Retransmission Attempts and WLAN Throughput is found to be best in terms of AODV.

TABLE VII  
RESULTING VALUES

S.No.	PERFORMANCE METRICS	AODV	DSR	GRP	OLSR
1	WLAN LOAD	3	2	1	4
2	WLAN MEDIA ACCESS DELAY	2	1	4	3
3	WLAN RETRANSMISSION ATTEMPTS	4	3	1	2
4	WLAN THROUGHPUT	1	4	2	3
5	WLAN DELAY	2	1	4	3

**AVERAGE PERFORMANCE IS – DSR > GRP > AODV > OLSR.**

The simulation result of the research has practical reference value for further study.

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