



# Green OLSR in VANETs with Differential Evolution

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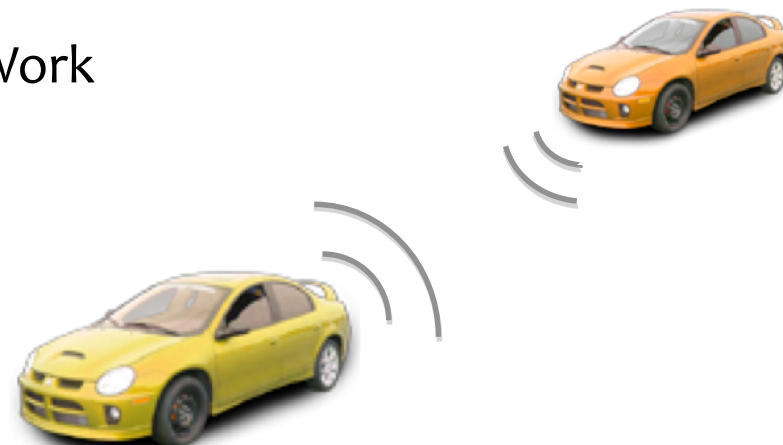
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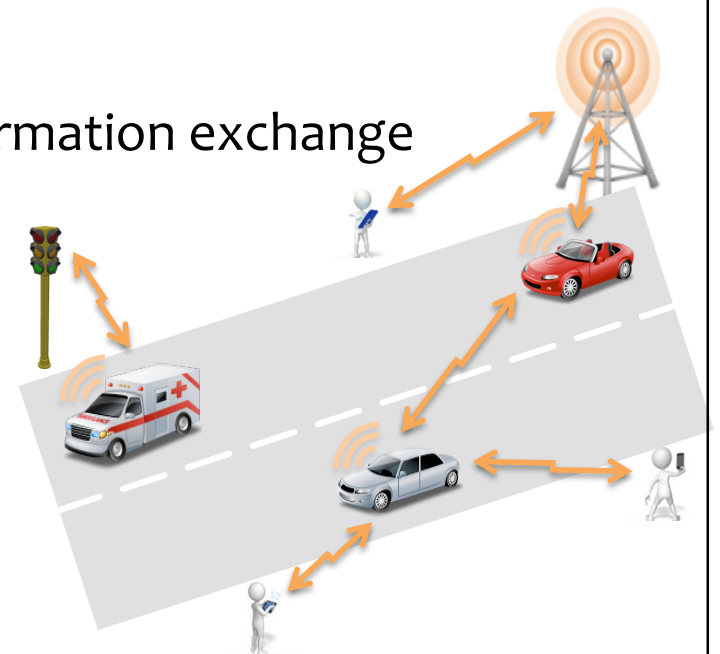
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# 1. Introduction. VANETs and Energy Issues

- **VANETs** are self-configuring wireless ad hoc networks.  
Nodes are **vehicles**, **pedestrian** equipped with personal devices, **sensors**, and elements of **roadside**,
- Deployed to enable up-to-minute road traffic information exchange
  - **Transport Efficiency**
  - **Safety**
- VANETs involve devices fed with **limited power sources**. Power-aware network architectures and protocols are highly desirable
- The **routing protocol** affects the **nodes power consumption**:
  - The **protocol operation** → amount of energy used to compute the routing paths
  - The **computed routing paths** → the terminals power consumption when forwarding packets





## 1. Introduction. Contribution

- We study the application of **Differential Evolution (DE)** to compute **power-aware routing protocol configurations**
  - The optimization process is guided by evaluating tentative solutions (protocol parameterizations) by means of **ns-2 VANET simulations**
- We suggest **new energy-efficient protocol parameterization** that reduces the power consumption with no significant loss in QoS
- We validate the results by an exhaustive analysis of the performance in realistic VANET simulations taken the metropolitan area of Málaga (Spain) as main scenario



## 2. Energy-Efficient OLSR. Problem Definition

- OLSR is a **proactive** routing protocol for mobile ad hoc networks
- OLSR generates significant routing workload that produces **network congestion** and **excessive energy consumption** problems
- Finding the best OLSR configurations to enable **green communications** in VANETs is the main subject of this work
- An excessive energy consumption reduction can lead to protocol **malfunction**
  - QoS restriction → Maximum allowed **PDR degradation 15%** (over the standard)

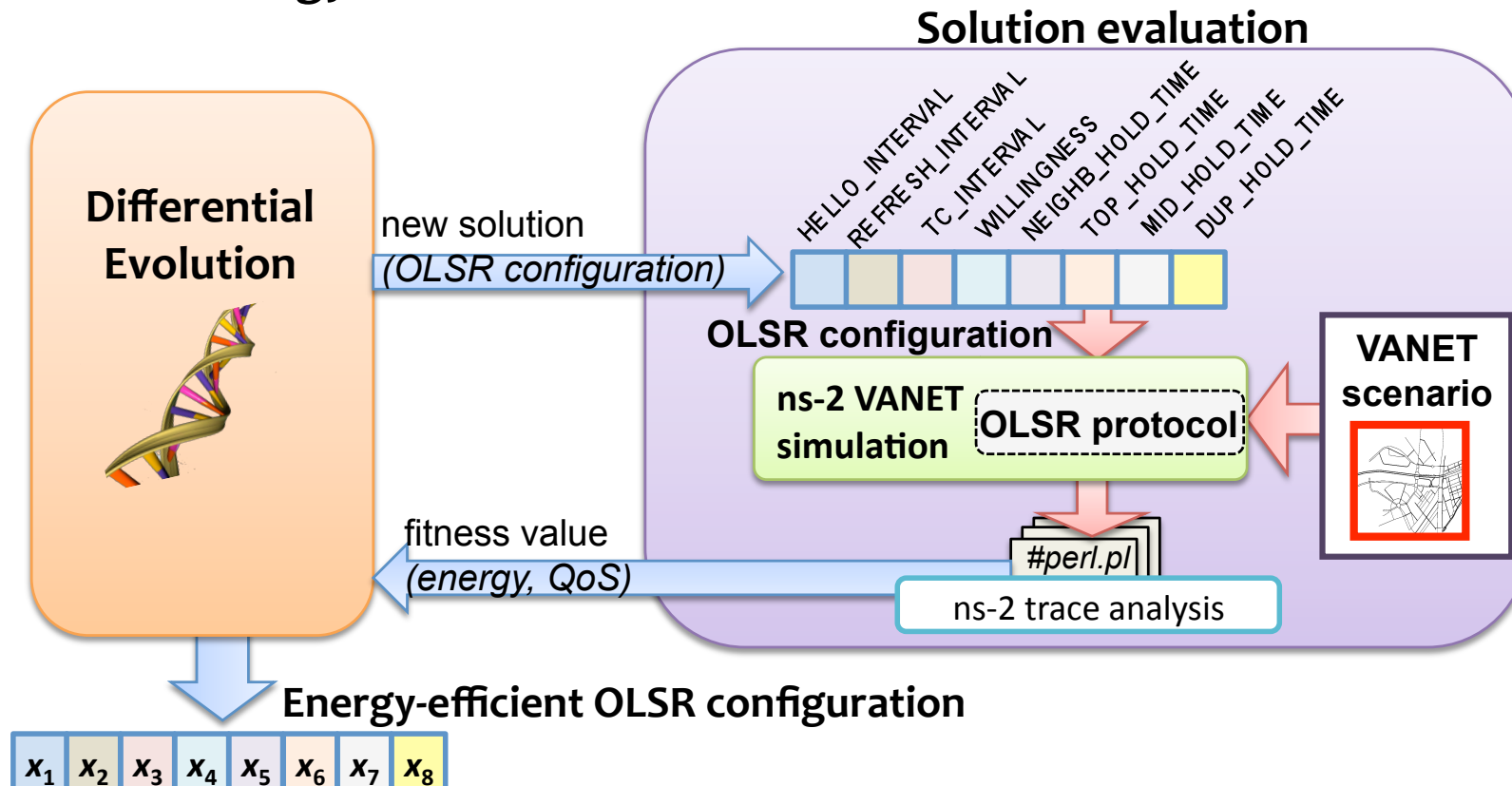
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TC_INTERVAL	5.0 s	real	[4.0, 35.0]
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TOP_HOLD_TIME	15.0 s	real	[10.5, 90.0]
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## 2. Energy-Efficient OLSR. Methodology

➤ Automatic optimization tool coupling **Differential Evolution (DE)** and realistic **VANET simulation (ns-2)**

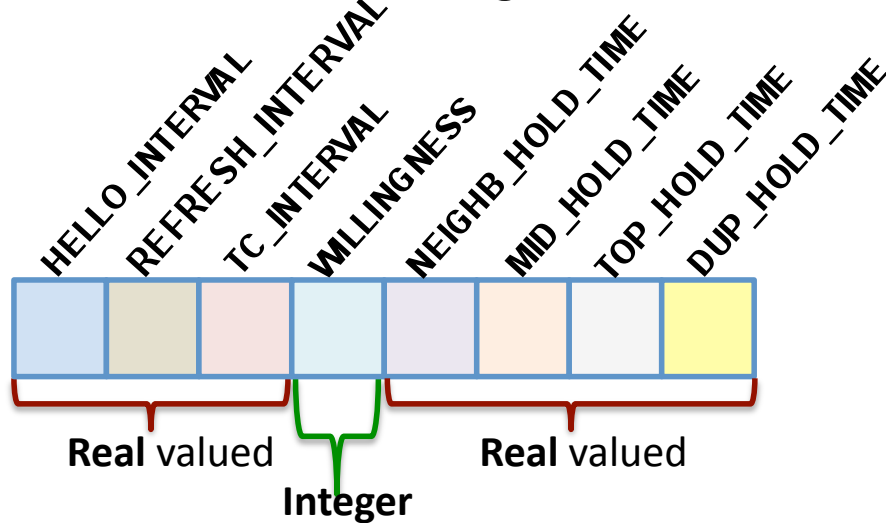
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## 2. Energy-Efficient OLSR. Optimization Method Details

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### ➤ Fitness Function:

$$F(s) = \Delta + \left( \omega_1 \times \frac{E(s)}{E_{RFC}} + \omega_2 \times \frac{PDR(s)}{PDR_{MAX}} \right)$$

$$\Delta=0.1, \omega_1=0.9, \text{ and } \omega_2=-0.1$$

### Penalization model (PDR degradation > 15%)

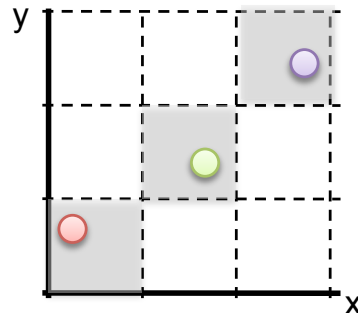
$$F_P(s) = F(s) + \left( (PDR_W - PDR(s)) \times \frac{E(s)}{E_{RFC}} \right)$$



## 2. Energy-Efficient OLSR. Optimization Method Details

### ➤ Initialization:

- **Spreads uniformly** the population over the search space. It splits the search space into *pop\_size* (number of individuals) **diagonal subspaces** and locates each individual in one subspace.



### ➤ Offspring generation:

***Differential-crossover*** and ***Differential-mutation***

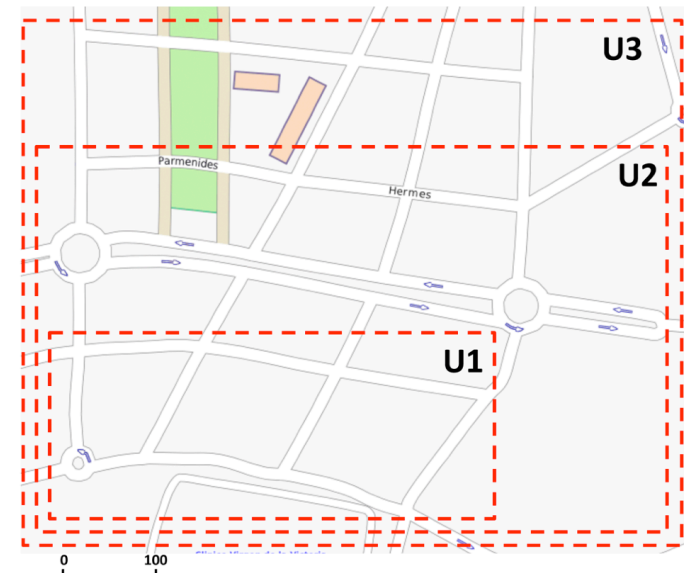




### 3. Experimental Analysis. Experiments Definition

➤ VANET scenarios definition (54 scenarios):

Urban area	Area size	Num. nodes
<b>U1</b>	120,000 m <sup>2</sup>	10
		15
		20
<b>U2</b>	240,000 m <sup>2</sup>	20
		30
		40
<b>U3</b>	360,000 m <sup>2</sup>	30
		45
		60



Scenario for the optimization process: **U2, 20 nodes, 66 kbps**

■ VANET workload:

*low-rates: 33, 66, and 100 kbps*

*high-rates: 333, 666, and 1000 kbps*



### 3. Experimental Analysis. Experiments Definition

➤ DE was developed by using C++ MALLBA Library:

- Population size = 8 individuals
- Number of generations = 125
- Crossover probability ( $Cr$ ) = 0.9
- Mutation factor ( $\mu$ ) = 0.125

} After performing DE configuration analysis experiments using **U1, 10, 33 kbps** scenario to find the best DE parameterization

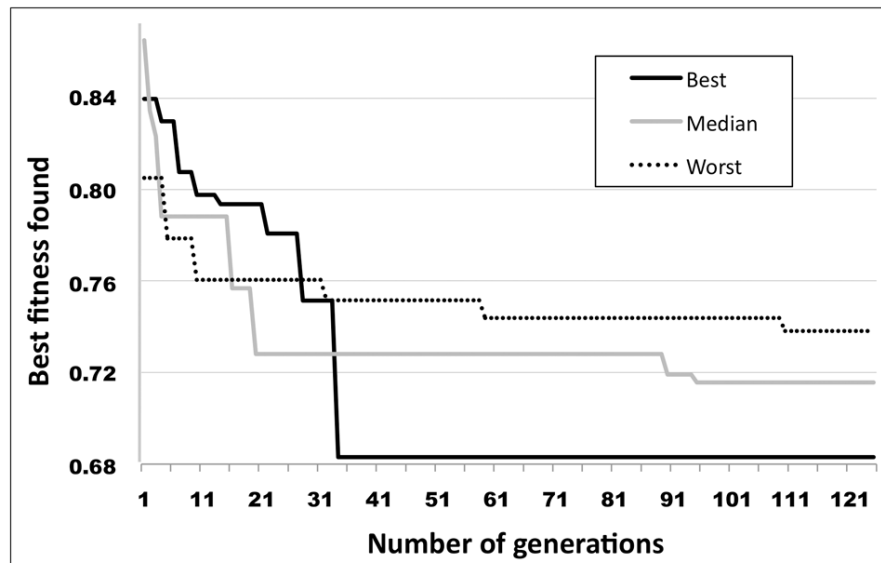
➤ 30 independent runs



### 3. Experimental Analysis. DE Optimization Results

#### ➤ Optimization performance:

Solution	Fitness value	Energy (J)	PDR (%)
<b>Best (Minimum)</b>	<b>0.6831</b>	<b>6684.71</b>	77.76
Median	0.7157	7026.93	78.92
Maximum	0.7382	7256.19	79.08
OLSR RFC	n/a	9104.19	<b>87.12</b>



>25% energy saving

<10% of PDR degradation

- Mean execution time = 4.6 hours (1.6525E+4 secs)
- Best solution found mean time = 2.8 hours (1.0037E+4 secs)



### 3. Experimental Analysis. Validation Results

- Comparison: **DE/EE-OLSR**, standard configuration (OLSR-RFC), and QoS optimized OLSR (DE-OLSR)
  - Over 54 VANET scenarios
- Average **energy consumed** by each node and the **PDR**
- **Friedman statistical test** is applied to rank the configurations regarding the energy consumption



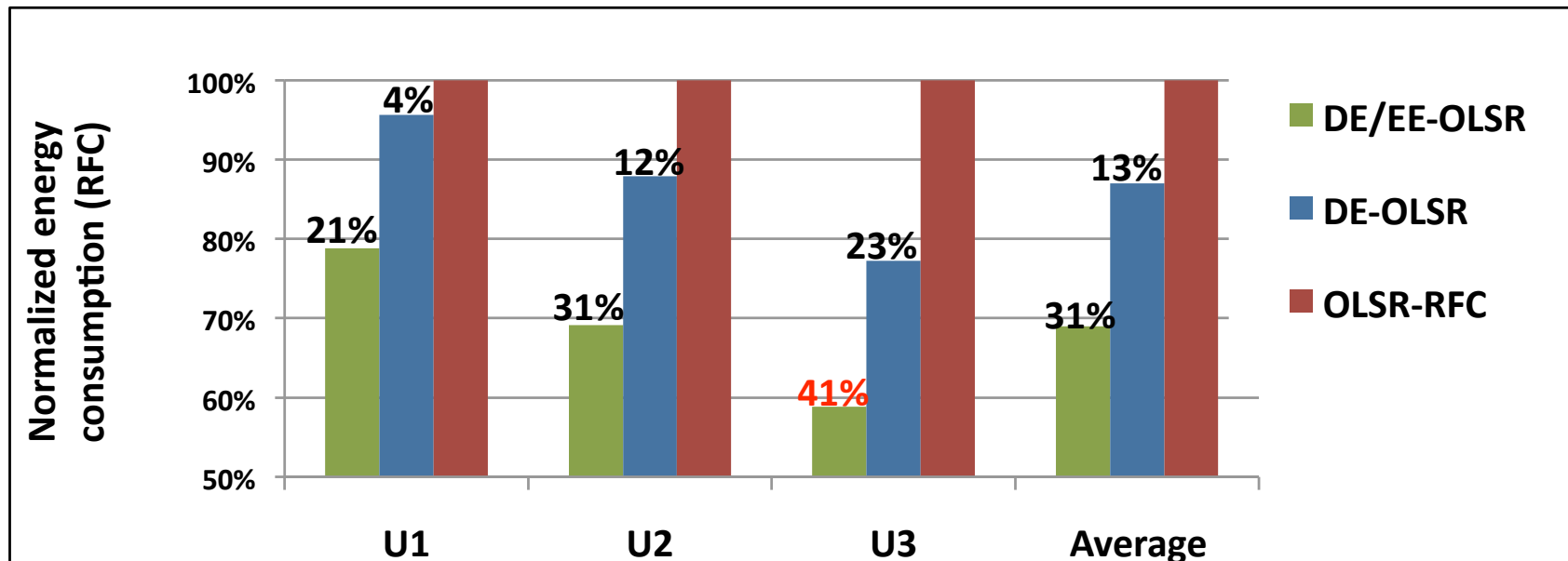
### 3. Experimental Analysis. Validation Results

#### ➤ Energy consumption

- **DE/EE-OLSR** and **DE-OLSR** improve RFC
- The energy savings increase with the size of the VANET
- **DE/EE-OLSR** saves **between 21% and 41%** of power consumption comparing to the standard
- **Friedman** statistical test ranked **DE/EE-OLSR** as the configuration with the lowest power consumption ( $p\text{-value} \ll 0.05$ )

Energy consumption per node (J)

Config.	U1	U2	U3
DE/EE-OLSR	703.21	598.21	516.38
DE-OLSR	853.47	760.33	678.07
OLSR-RFC	892.59	865.08	877.75



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### 3. Experimental Analysis. Validation Results

#### ➤ PDR results

Config.	PDR		
	U1	U2	U3
DE/EE-OLSR	66.11%	62.04%	56.62%
DE-OLSR	69.57%	66.30%	<b>67.70%</b>
OLSR-RFC	<b>71.71%</b>	<b>71.78%</b>	64.00%

- The three analyzed configurations delivered **more than 55%** of the data packets
- The PDR metric decreases with the size of the network
- The PDR **degradation** of DE/EE-OLSR is **lower than 9% (<15%)** regarding OLSR RFC. The energy savings **do not cause malfunction**



## 4. Conclusions and Future Work

- Automatic methodology for computing power-aware OLSR configurations for VANETs, by coupling DE and ns-2 VANET simulator
- Main results:
  - this methodology obtained automatically energy-efficient configurations requiring a mean time of 4.6 hours
  - the best power-aware configuration (DE/EE-OLSR) saved up to 31% of energy, with significant improvements up to 41% in large networks
  - the degradation of PDR is below 9%
- Promising methodology for automatic and efficient customization of VANET routing protocols
- Future work:
  - analyze other metaheuristic techniques to explore the search space
  - analyze new fitness functions considering new power-aware and QoS metrics
  - multi-objective optimization techniques to solve this problem since the energy vary in inverse proportion with QoS



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