

# Accuracy Enhancements of the 802.11 Model and EDCA QoS Extensions in ns-3

Completion Talk

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# Objectives

- Compare 802.11 implementations of new ns-3 network simulator with ns-2.
- Transfer extended ns-2 features added by the DSN to new ns-3 design.
- Implement EDCA extensions in ns-3.
- Evaluate performance gain of switching to ns-3.

# Constraints

- All features must be thoroughly tested, evaluated and documented.
- Integrate cleanly into ns-3 design, which uses state-of-the-art software engineering methods.
- Researchers must be able to use them without detailed lower-layer knowledge.

# Feature Comparison: ns-3.3 vs. ns-2.33

## PHY Layer:

- No probabilistic Nakagami propagation model.
- Lacks modeling of frame capture effect.
- + BER/PER reception criterion for 802.11a.  
Results unequal to ns-2's SINR criterion.

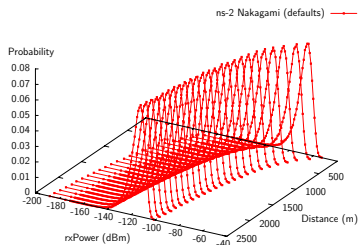
## MAC Layer:

- Support for EDCA extensions missing.
- + Overall good software design.

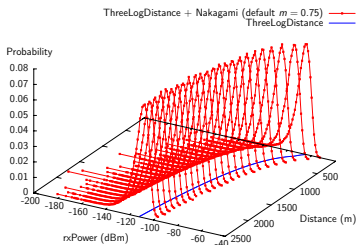
# Nakagami Propagation Loss Model in ns-3

Ported Nakagami propagation loss model to ns-3.  
Extensively verified against ns-2 and the analytic probability density function.

ns-2

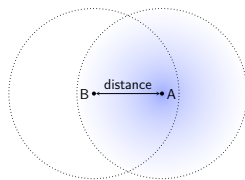


ns-3

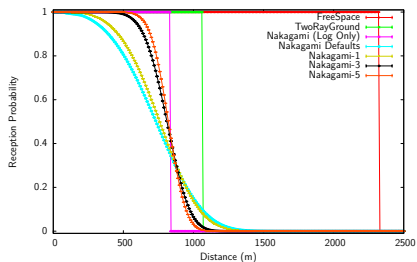


# Reception Criteria: SINR

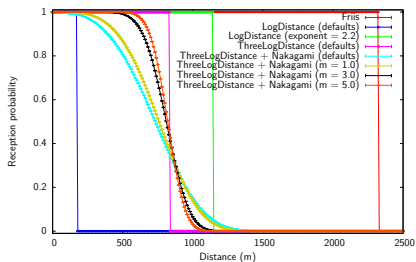
Implemented ns-2's SINR reception criterion in ns-3 as `Ns2ExtWifiPhy`.



ns-2



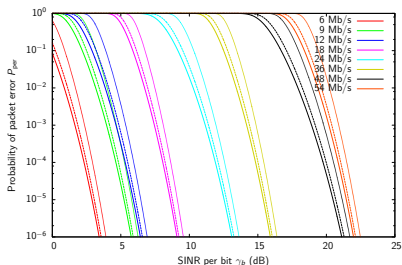
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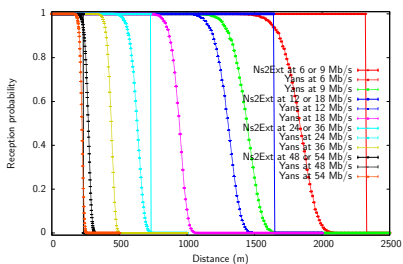
# Discussion of SINR and BER/PER

Detailed explanation of existing BER/PER reception in ns-3. Discussion and comparison against SINR.

## Packet Error Rate (PER)



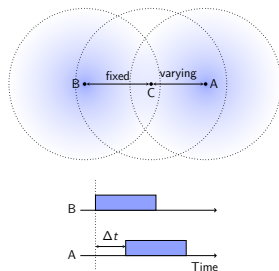
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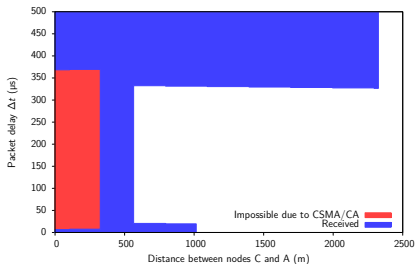


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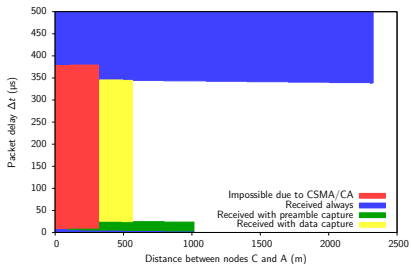
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Evaluated against ns-2.



ns-2

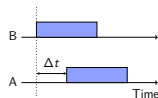
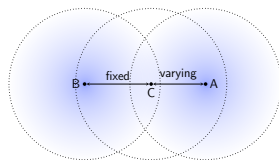


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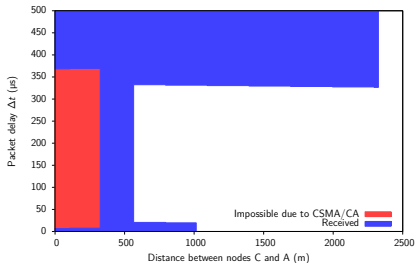


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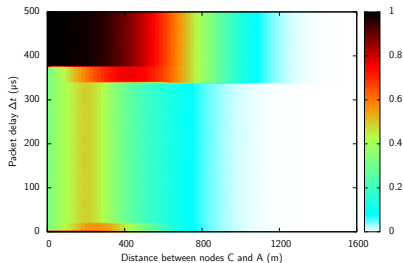
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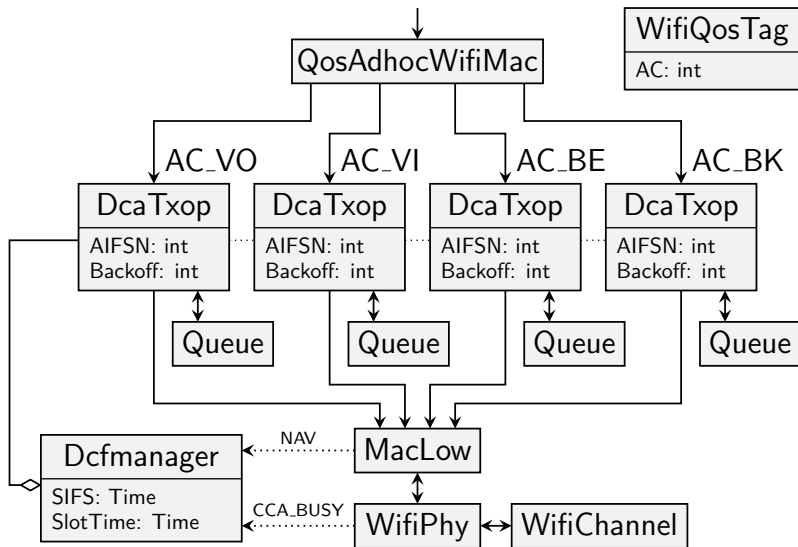


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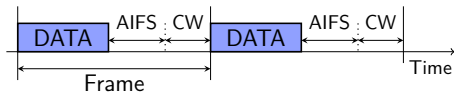


# EDCA Implementation

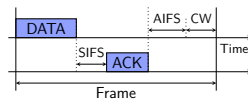
- Extended ns-3 with EDCA capabilities.
- Builds up on the well designed DCF classes.
- Added TXOP limits and burst sequences.
- Tested individual maximum throughput against analytical reference values.
- Experiment with differently prioritized traffic streams shows relative QoS.



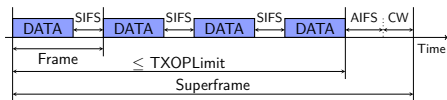
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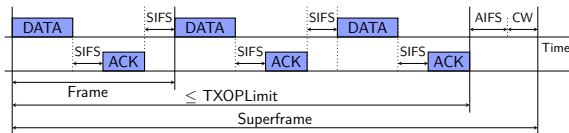
Without ACK



With ACK



TXOP burst without ACKs



TXOP burst with ACKs

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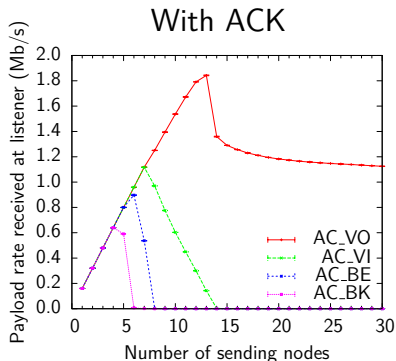
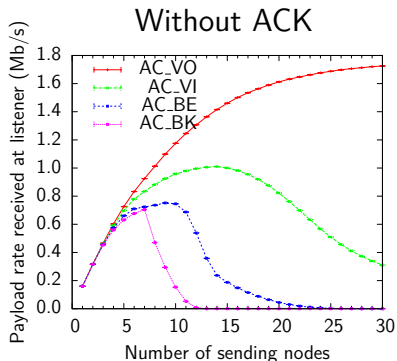
Reference value in B/s and relative difference of experimental result with 99 % error margin for 54 Mb/s data rate.

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DCF	4 522 908	3 176 179	34 810 198
	$0.01 \pm 0.11 \text{ ‰}$	$0.01 \pm 0.10 \text{ ‰}$	$0.01 \pm 0.04 \text{ ‰}$
AC_VO	7 314 286	4 338 983	38 763 407
802.11p/D4.02	$0.03 \pm 0.05 \text{ ‰}$	$0.01 \pm 0.02 \text{ ‰}$	$0.01 \pm 0.01 \text{ ‰}$
AC_BK	3 129 584	2 419 660	31 108 861
802.11p/D4.02	$-0.06 \pm 0.1 \text{ ‰}$	$0.02 \pm 0.09 \text{ ‰}$	$0.01 \pm 0.04 \text{ ‰}$

Tested 216 configurations.

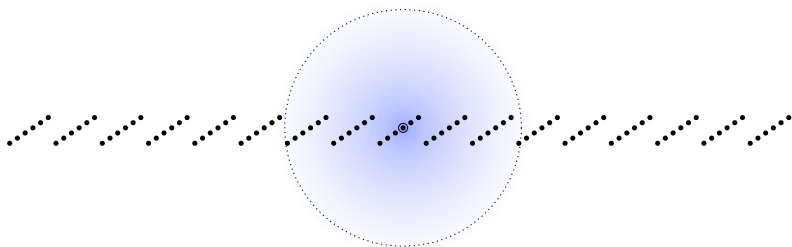
Maximum relative difference was  $0.85 \pm 0.11 \text{ ‰}$ .

# EDCA Traffic Streams Experiment



Each node sends four 160 Kb/s streams with different ACs.  
As the number of nodes increases the medium is saturated.

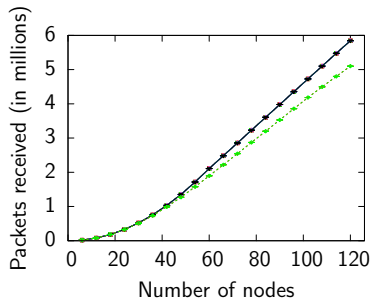
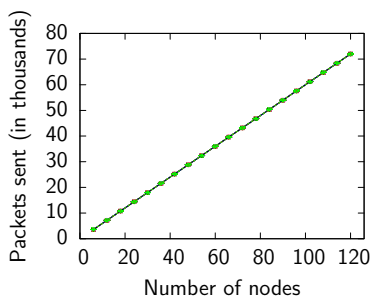
# Speed Comparison – Highway Scenario



- Modeled identically in both ns-2 and ns-3.
- Made possible with newly added components.

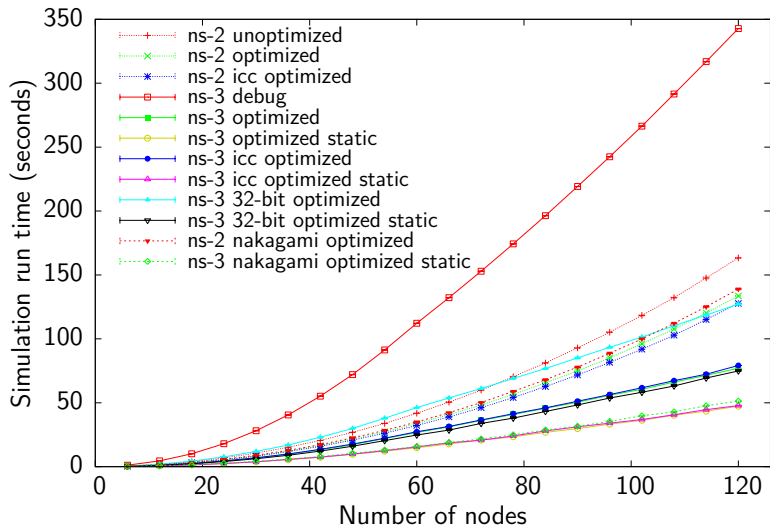


# Speed Comparison – Results



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|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ns-2 unoptimized   | ns-3 optimized            | ns-3 32-bit optimized          |
| ns-2 optimized     | ns-3 optimized static     | ns-3 32-bit optimized static   |
| ns-2 icc optimized | ns-3 icc optimized        | ns-2 nakagami optimized        |
| ns-3 debug         | ns-3 icc optimized static | ns-3 nakagami optimized static |

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- Slowest configuration: ns-3 in debug mode.
- ns-3 optimized mode gives  $76.3 \pm 0.5\%$  reduction.
- ns-3 optimized with static linking yields further reduction of  $42.6 \pm 1.2\%$ .
- Compilation without `-fPIC` yielded a reduction of only  $1.1 \pm 0.3\%$ .
- `icc` vs. `gcc`: no improvement, even slight speed decrease ( $1.9 \pm 0.4\%$ ).
- Speed increase of ns-3 over identical ns-2 simulation:  $58.6 \pm 1.8\%$ .
- Enabling Nakagami propagation increases run time by  $8.1 \pm 1.0\%$  in ns-3 and  $3.8 \pm 0.4\%$  in ns-2.

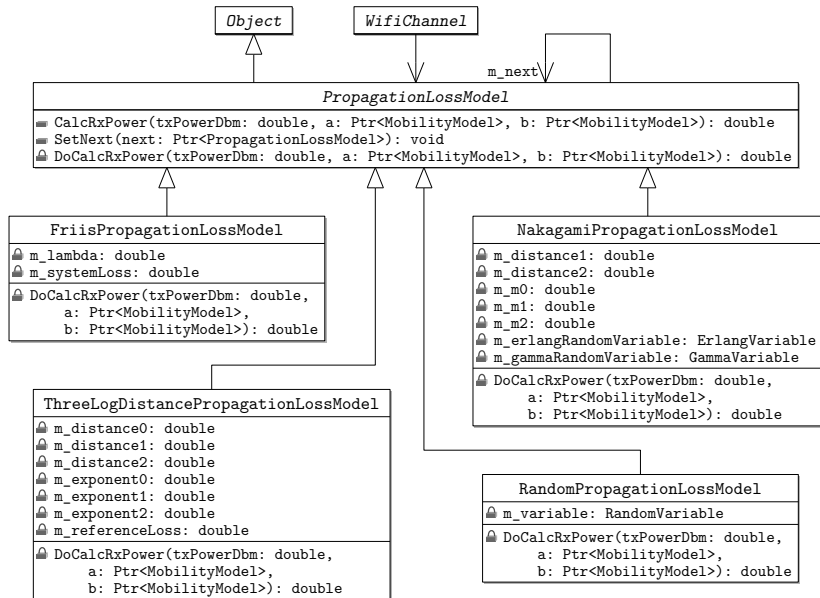
# Conclusion

- Extended ns-3 802.11 PHY layer to show equivalent behavior as ns-2.
- Improved MAC layer with EDCA extensions.
- All enhancements thoroughly verified.
- Speed test of ns-3 shows up to 59% execution time reduction over ns-2.

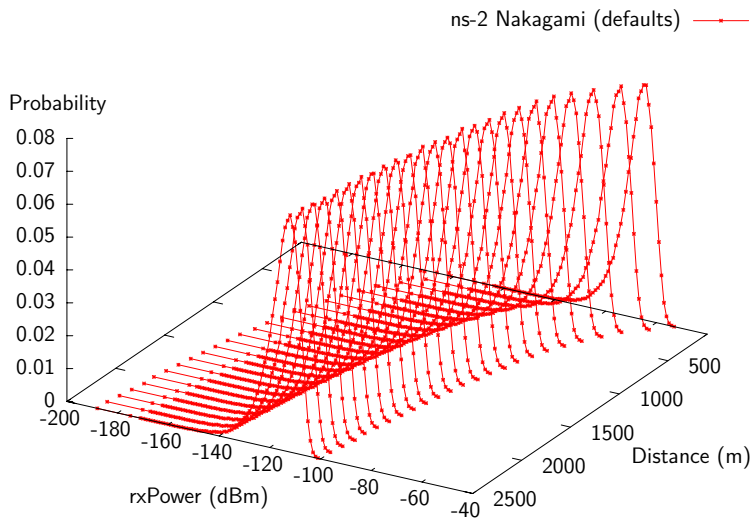
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# Appendix

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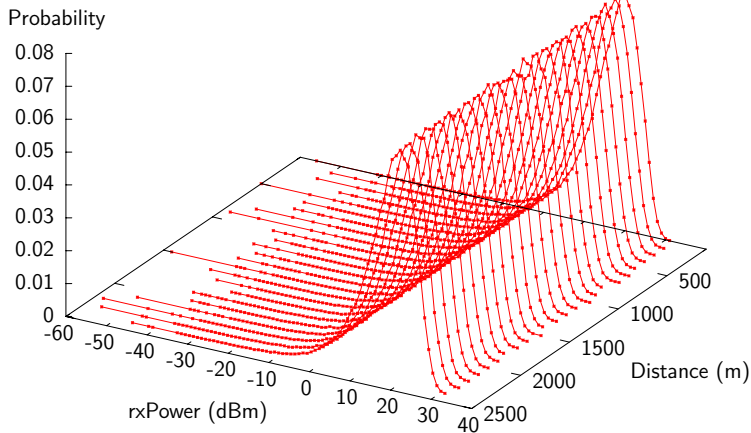


# ns-2 Nakagami Reception Power



# ns-3 NakagamiPropagationLossModel

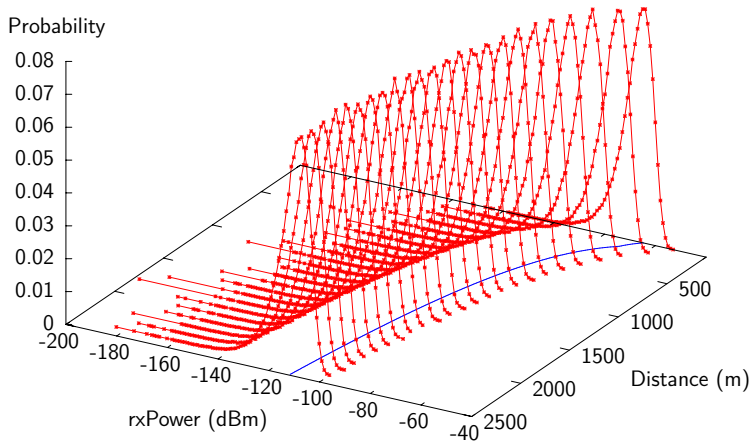
Nakagami (default  $m = 0.75$ ) —●—



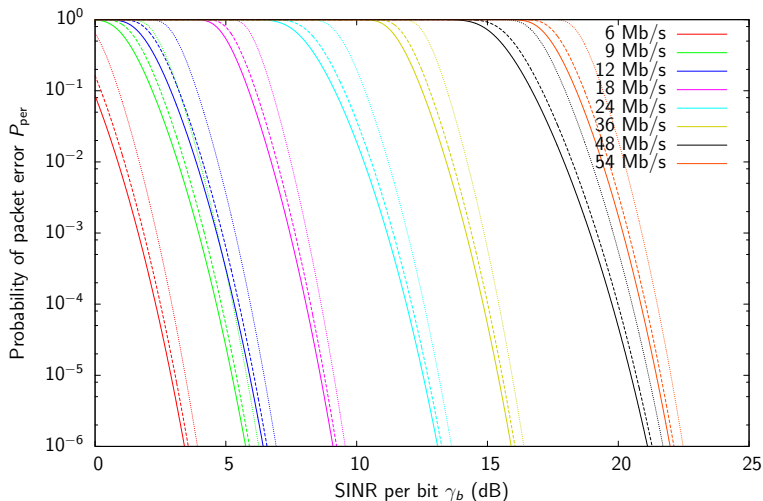


# ns-3 ThreeLogDistance and Nakagami

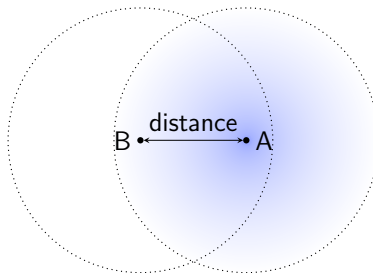
ThreeLogDistance + Nakagami (default  $m = 0.75$ ) —●—  
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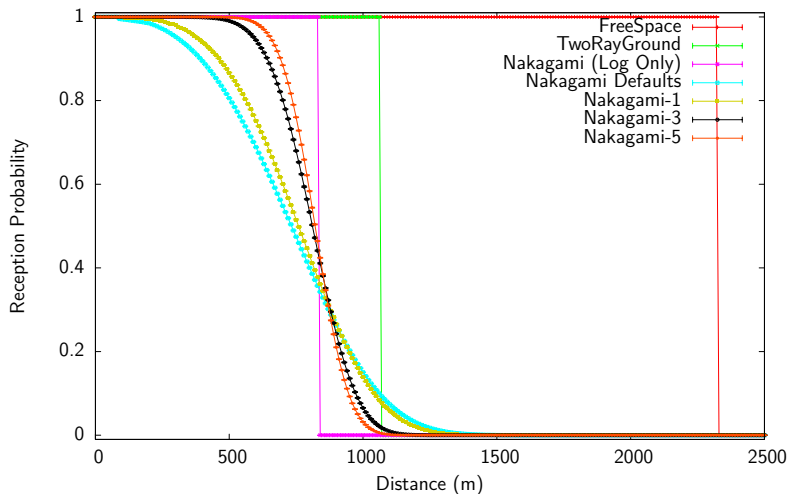
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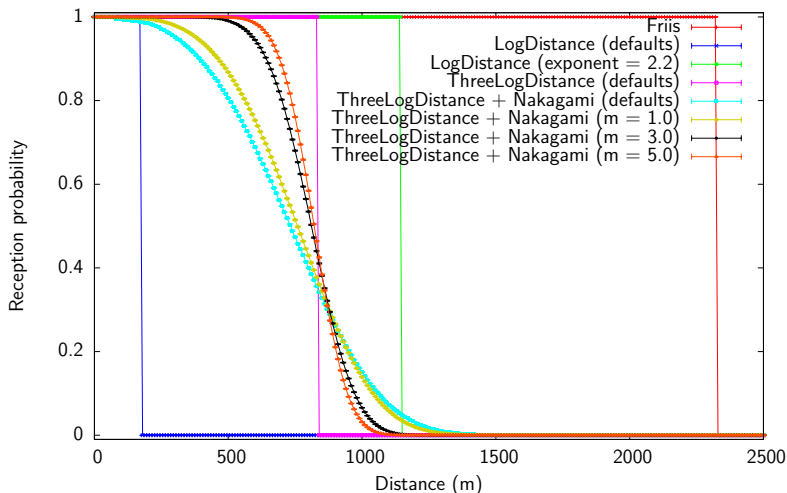
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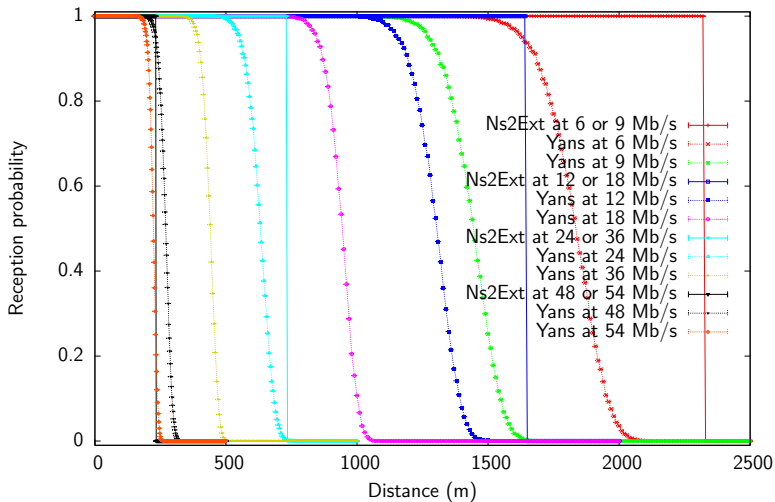
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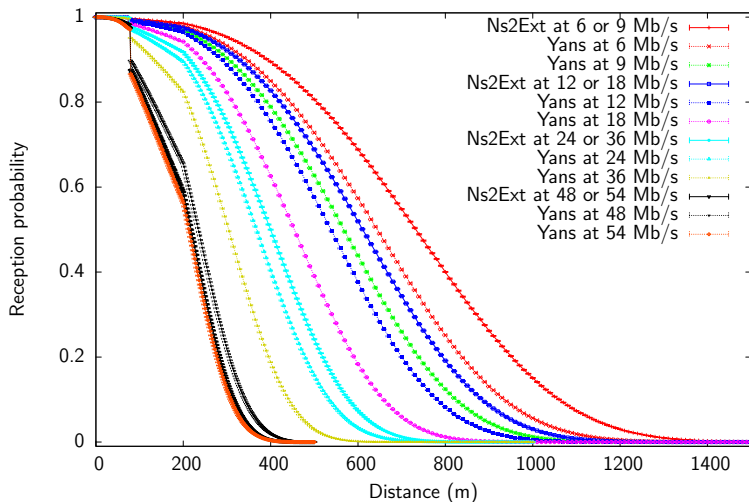
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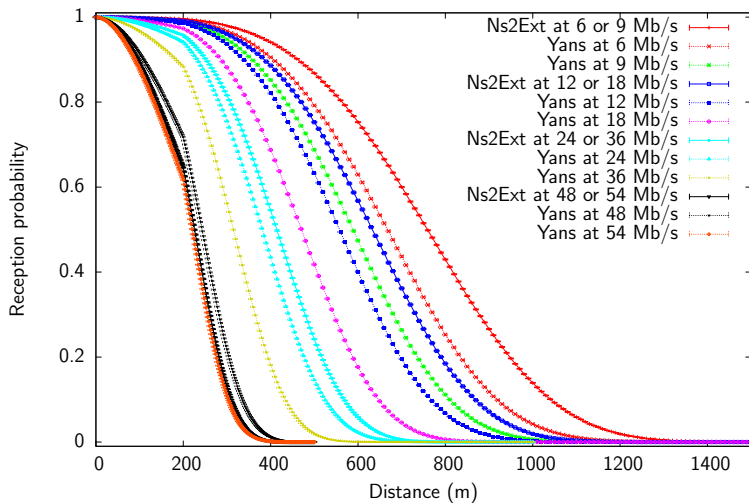
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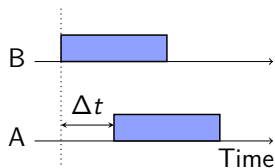
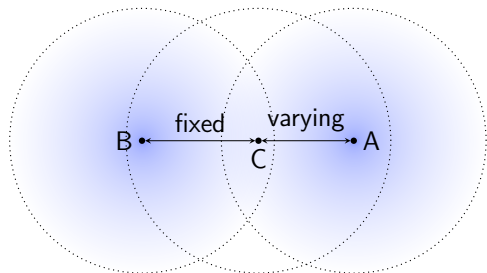


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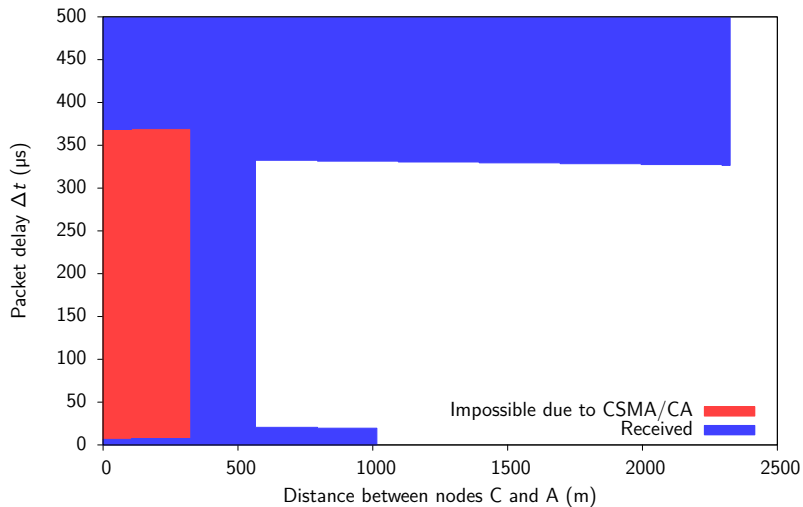




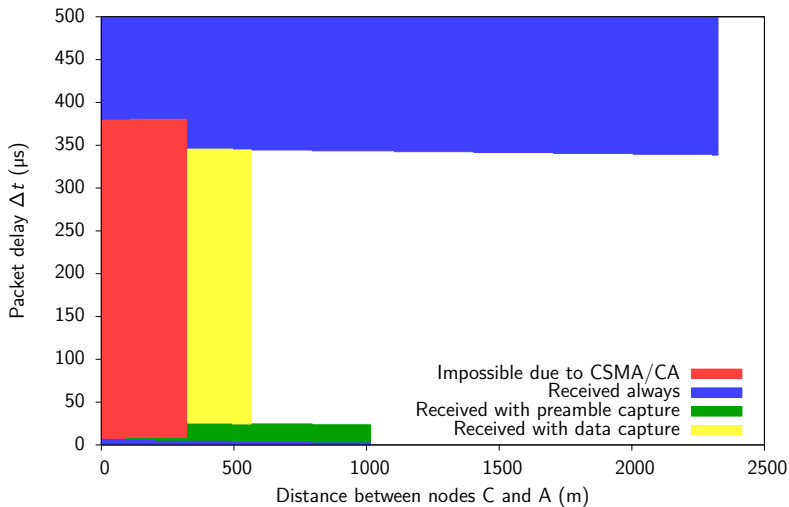
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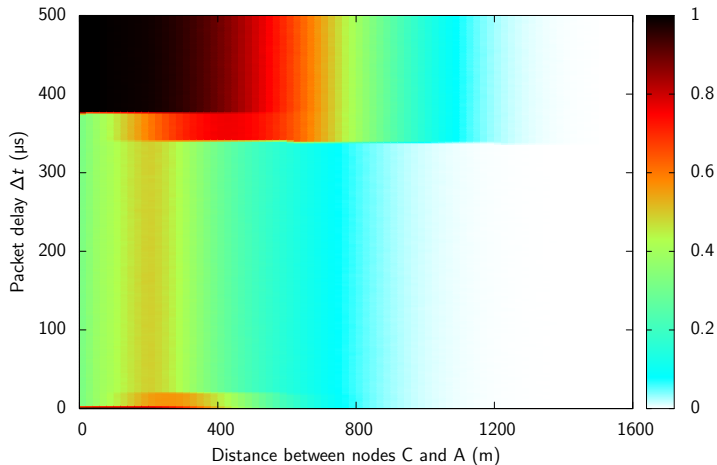
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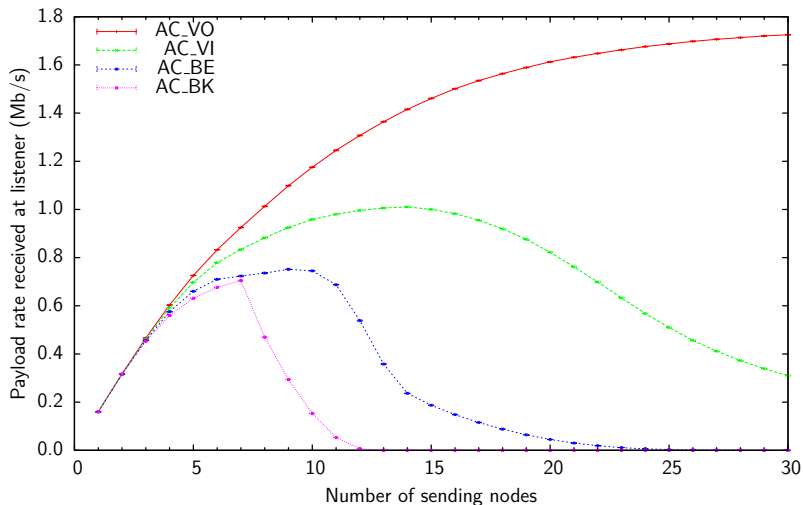
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