

# Optimal Naming in Multi-hop Beeping Networks

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**Abstract.** The naming or initialization problem is one fundamental problem in distributed computing. In this paper, when the nodes do not know neither  $n$  nor the number of their neighbors, but all nodes have a unique identifier  $ID \in [1, N]$ , we design a deterministic naming and an exact counting algorithm with  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  running times. Our algorithms are optimal in time complexity in view of the  $\Omega(\Delta \log N)$  and the  $\Omega(n)$  lower bounds given in ([5, 3]). If all nodes are initially indistinguishable and know the diameter  $D$  of the network, we adapt our algorithms to have a randomized naming and an exact counting algorithm succeeding with high probability in  $O(n + \Delta \log n + D \log \log n)$  time slots.

## 1 Introduction

In order to compute decentralized tasks in a distributed system, researchers designed various symmetry breaking protocols such as leader election ([4, 15, 13, 21, 20, 10, 11, 16, 23, 22, 14]), maximal Independent Set ([1, 24]) and naming or initialization algorithms ([17, 12, 18, 2, 5]). In this paper, we consider the naming problem on multi-hop beeping networks (the underlying graph of the network is a non oriented connected graph). This consists of assigning to each of the  $n$  nodes of the network, a unique label  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . In Section 2.2, when no node knows  $n$  but all nodes know  $N$  and have unique  $ID \in [1, N]$  ( $N$  is the range of nodes labels, *i.e.*, labels are strings of  $O(\log N)$  bits), we design a deterministic naming algorithm terminating in  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  time slots ( $\Delta$  is the maximum degree of the network). As a consequence, we show how to design a deterministic counting algorithm with  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  time complexity after which all nodes know the exact number of the nodes in the network (Section 2.3). Finally, in Section 3, if all nodes are initially indistinguishable (no node has  $ID$ ) and no node knows  $n$  but all nodes know  $D$  ( $D$  is the hop diameter of the network), we design randomized naming and counting algorithms terminating in  $O(n + \Delta \log n + D \log \log n)$  time slots with high probability <sup>3</sup> (*w.h.p.* for short).

### 1.1 The model

The beeping model, introduced by Cornejo and Kuhn in 2010 [6], makes little demands on the devices which need only be able to do carrier-sensing, differentiating between silence and the presence of a jamming signal on the network

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<sup>3</sup> Event  $\varepsilon_n$  occurs with high probability if  $\mathbb{P}[\varepsilon_n] \geq 1 - \frac{1}{n^c}$  for any constant  $c > 0$

(considered as 1 – *bit* message or one beep). They note that carrier-sensing can typically be done much more reliably and requires significantly less energy and other resources than message-sending models. In such a model, communications occur in synchronous time slots. In each time slot, a sensor can either beep (transmit 1 – *bit* message), listen to the network or remain idle (asleep). Only listening sensors know whether at least one of their neighbors was beeping or all of them remained silent. This model is also called Beep Listen model (*BL*).

## 1.2 Related works

In single-hop radio networks (the underlying graph of the network is complete), Hayashi, Nakano and Olariu ([12]) presented a  $O(n)$  running time randomized protocol solving the naming problem for the model with collision detection. Later, Bordim, Cui, Hayashi, Nakano and Olariu [2] presented  $O(n)$  time complexity algorithm with  $O(\log n)$  energy complexity<sup>4</sup>. In [19], Nakano and Olariu designed a naming protocol terminating in  $O(n)$  time slots *w.h.p.* with  $O(\log \log n)$  energy complexity. Results on beeping model appeared recently when Chlebus, De Marco and Talo [5] presented their naming algorithm terminating in  $O(n \log n)$  time slots *w.h.p.* for the *BL* model and provided a  $\Omega(n \log n)$  lower bound on its time complexity. Moreover, Casteigts, Métivier, Robson and Zemmari [3] presented a counting algorithm for the *BL* model terminating in  $O(n \log n)$  time slots *w.h.p.* and an  $\Omega(n)$  lower bound. For the multi-hop model, Czumaj and Davies [7] designed a deterministic depth first search (DFS for short) algorithm initializing the network in  $O(n \log N)$  times slots. They start by electing a leader in  $O(D \log N)$  time slots, calling the deterministic leader election designed by Förster, Seidel and Wattenhofer [9]. Then, their DFS algorithm visits the leader first, which takes label 1. To choose which node to visit next, all unlabeled neighbors of the leader have to send their ID bit by bit in order to find which of them has the highest ID. The leader sends a token to such node (let say  $s$ ) with highest ID and the DFS algorithm visits  $s$  which gets label 2. They recursively applied this algorithm for all newly labeled node by sending a token to its unlabeled neighbor holding the highest ID (the DFS algorithm visits such a node) and sending back such a token if no unlabeled neighbor remains.

## 1.3 Our approach

Our main idea is to parallelize the computation choosing which node the DFS algorithm will visit next. This can be done in  $O(\Delta \log N)$  time slots (section 2.1) if the nodes are layered (see below). Having this in mind, we first elect a leader in  $O(D + \log N)$  rounds using the algorithm of Dufoulon, Burman and Beauquier [8]. Then, we do a graph layering that consists of putting each node  $s$  into a layer  $L(k)$ ,  $k$  being the hop distance between  $s$  and the leader. After  $O(D)$  time slots of a beep wave [10], the leader belongs to the layer  $L(0)$ , all nodes at hop

<sup>4</sup> Energy complexity represents the total number of rounds during which a node is awake either sending a message or listening to the network's channel.

distance 1 from the leader belong to the layer  $L(1)$ , and recursively, all nodes at hop distance  $k$  from the leader belong to the layer  $L(k)$ . Then, we assign to each node a visit order for the DFS algorithm, in  $O(\Delta \log N)$  time slots. Such an ordering consists of assigning an  $\text{ORDER} \in [0, \Delta]$  to each node such that the DFS algorithm visits the nodes having  $\text{ORDER} 0$  first, then  $\text{ORDER} 1$  and so on. The goal here is to do these computations in parallel for all nodes so that when the DFS algorithm visits any node, the algorithm knows which node to visit next within  $O(1)$  time slots. As a consequence, the precomputation of such visit order leads to a new DFS algorithm terminating in  $O(n)$  time slots.

## 2 N is known and the nodes have unique ID

### 2.1 Ordering the nodes in advance for the DFS visit

To order each node as described in Section 1.3, we were inspired by the parallelization procedure used in the broadcasting algorithm in [7]. Such a parallelization firstly consists of waking only the nodes in layers  $\{L(0), L(1)\}, \{L(3), L(4)\}, \dots, \{L(k), L(k+1)\}$  (such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$ ) to avoid conflicts. The neighbor of any node  $s$  in layer  $L(k+1)$  ( $s \in L(k)$ ) having the highest ID takes order 0, the second highest ID takes order 1 and so on. When the DFS algorithm visits a node  $v$  in any layer  $L(l)$ ,  $l \geq 0$ , it visits the neighbor of  $v$  in layer  $L(l+1)$  having order 0 first. Supposing that all nodes are layered as described in section 1.3 and have already encoded their ID into binary code-word (noted CID), the algorithm is subdivided into at most  $O(\Delta)$  seasons  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_{O(\Delta)}$  (the nodes do not have to know  $\Delta$ ). Each season consists of  $\lceil \log N \rceil + 1$  steps  $t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{\lceil \log N \rceil}$  and each step  $t_j$  is subdivided into four communication time slots  $t_{j_0}, t_{j_1} = t_{j_0} + 1, t_{j_2} = t_{j_0} + 2, t_{j_3} = t_{j_0} + 3$ .

- at  $t_{j_0}$ , the nodes in layer  $L(k)$ ,  $k \geq 0$  beeps in order to signify their neighbors in layer  $L(k+1)$  that they have to take an order.
- unordered nodes in layer  $L(k+1)$  upon hearing a beep at  $t_{j_0}$  beep at  $t_{j_1}$  to notify those in layer  $L(k)$  that there remain unordered neighbors.
- at  $t_{j_2}$ , the nodes in layer  $L(k+1)$  have to send the  $j^{\text{th}}$  bit of their CID.
- at  $t_{j_3}$ , the nodes in layer  $L(k)$  have to notify the nodes in layer  $L(k+1)$  that at least one node in layer  $L(k+1)$  has  $\text{CID}[j] = 1$ .

**Description of the ordering algorithm:** At the beginning, for all  $i \in [0, \lceil \frac{D}{3} \rceil]$ , all nodes in layers  $L(3i)$  beep in parallel at time slot  $t_{0_0}$ . In season  $S_0$ , all unordered nodes in layers  $L(3i+1)$  hearing beep at  $t_{0_0}$  beeps at  $t_{0_1}$  and start sending their CID bit by bit at  $t_{0_2}$ . If an unordered node  $s$  has  $\text{CID}[0] = 1$  ( $j = 0$ ),  $s$  beeps at  $t_{0_2}$ . Each node in layer  $L(3i)$  hearing beep at  $t_{0_2}$  beeps at  $t_{0_3}$ . Each unordered node in layer  $L(3i+1)$ , having  $\text{CID}[0] = 0$  and hearing beep at  $t_{0_3}$  becomes inactive until the end of  $S_0$ . The remaining active nodes having  $\text{CID}[1] = 1$  ( $j = 1$ ) beep at  $t_{1_2}$ , each node in layer  $L(3i)$  hearing beep at  $t_{1_2}$  beeps at  $t_{1_3}$  and so on for all  $j$  from 2 to  $\lceil \log N \rceil$ . The last remaining active unordered node takes  $\text{ORDER} 0$ , we start season  $S_1$  and so on. After these computations, we have to apply it to layers  $\{L(3i+1), L(3i+2)\}$  and  $\{L(3i+2), L(3i+3)\}$  in order to do an ordering for all nodes in all layers.

**Algorithm.1** ORDERING(N) : Ordering the nodes for DFS visits

**Input** : Common value N representing the maximal possible value of ID  
**Output**: Each node  $s$  having an order ORDER

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1   $s$  sets ORDER  $\leftarrow -2$ ,  $status \leftarrow \text{NULL}$ , encodes ID into binary code-word
   CID
2  for  $i$  from 0 to 2 do
3    if  $s$  in layer  $L(k)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = i$  then
4       $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{source}$ , ORDER  $\leftarrow -1$ ,  $j \leftarrow 0$ ,  $count \leftarrow 0$ ,  $s$  beeps
       at  $t_{0_0}$ 
5    end
6    if  $s$  in layer  $L(k)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = i + 1$  then
7       $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{next}$ , ORDER  $\leftarrow -1$ ,  $j \leftarrow 0$ ,  $count \leftarrow 0$ 
8    end
9    while (ORDER = -1)  $\wedge$  ( $status \neq \text{NULL}$ ) do
10     if ( $status = \text{next}$ )  $\wedge$  (ORDER = -1) then
11        $s$  beeps at  $t_{j_1}$ 
12     end
13     if ( $status = \text{next}$ )  $\wedge$  (CID[ $j$ ] = 1) then
14        $s$  beeps at  $t_{j_2}$ 
15     end
16     if  $status = \text{source}$  then
17       if  $s$  doesn't hear beep at  $t_{j_1}$  then
18          $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{NULL}$  and quits the algorithm
19       else
20         if  $s$  hears beep at  $t_{j_2}$  then
21            $s$  beeps at  $t_{j_3}$ 
22         end
23       end
24     end
25     if ( $status = \text{next}$ )  $\wedge$  (CID[ $j$ ] = 0)  $\wedge$  ( $s$  hears beep at
        $t_{j_3}$ )  $\wedge$  ( $j < \lceil \log N \rceil$ ) then
26        $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{inactive}$ 
27     end
28     if  $j < \lceil \log N \rceil$  then
29        $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
30     else
31       if  $status = \text{next}$  then
32          $s$  sets ORDER  $\leftarrow count$ 
33       end
34       if  $status = \text{inactive}$  then
35          $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{next}$ 
36       end
37        $j \leftarrow 0$ ,  $count \leftarrow count + 1$ 
38     end
39   end
40 end

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Figure B.1 in Appendix B shows an example of execution of Algorithm.1.

**Lemma 1.** *Algorithm.1 terminates in  $O(\Delta \log N)$  time slots. For any node  $s$  in some layer  $L(k)$ , let  $N_s(k)$  be the set of neighbors of  $s$  in layer  $L(k+1)$ . After one execution of this algorithm, all nodes  $u \in N_s(k)$  have a unique order  $\text{ORDER}_u \in \{0, 1, \dots, |N_s(k)|\}$  such that for any node  $s$ , if  $u, v \in N_s(k)$ ,  $u \neq v$ ,  $\text{ORDER}_u \neq \text{ORDER}_v$  ( $|N_s(k)|$  is the number of nodes in  $N_s(k)$ ).*

*Proof.* The main idea of Algorithm.1 is that each node has to send the binary encoding of their ID bit by bit. The nodes which do not have the highest ID are eliminated. By the hypothesis, each ID is unique and after the  $\lceil \log N \rceil$  time slots when each node sent its ID bit by bit, only one node remains. Thus, after each  $4 \times \lceil \log N \rceil$  time slots (4 corresponding to  $t_{j_0}, t_{j_1}, t_{j_2}, t_{j_3}$ ), one node gets an order and quits the algorithm. As a consequence, after  $\Delta \times 4 \times \lceil \log N \rceil$  steps, all nodes in layers  $3i+1, i \in [0, \lceil \frac{D}{3} \rceil]$  are ordered. This is done 3 times (line 3 of Algorithm.1) to add order to all the nodes of the network, implying the  $3 \times \Delta \times 4 \times \lceil \log N \rceil = O(\Delta \log N)$  time complexity of the algorithm.  $\square$

## 2.2 Naming algorithm

We start by electing a leader in  $O(D + \log N)$  time slots using [8]. Then, we put each node  $s$  into a layer  $L(k)$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq D$  in  $O(D)$  rounds (this can be done using for instance the beep waves tool described in [10, paragraph 5.3]). We can now call Algorithm.1 to order all the nodes. With such an ordering, the deterministic naming algorithm visits all nodes one by one starting by the leader by means of a DFS algorithm. Any node  $s$  can take one of these 7 *status*:

- ACTIVE if  $s$  is the currently visited node.
- Supposing that the ACTIVE node is in any layer  $L(k)$ , its neighbors in layer  $L(k+1)$  are called its CHILDREN neighbors.
- ACTIVATED if  $s$  was already visited but has remaining unlabeled CHILDREN.
- WAITING if  $s$  has never been visited.
- ACTIVE LAYER if  $s$  is in the same layer as the currently ACTIVE node.
- Supposing that the currently ACTIVE node is in any layer  $L(k)$ ,  $s$  is ACTIVE CHILD LAYER if it is in layer  $L(k+1)$ .
- DONE if  $s$  is already visited and has no remaining unlabeled CHILDREN.

Not to be confused with round's definition in the literature, here, we redefine one round  $t_j$  as a set of 14 communication sub-steps  $t_{j_0}, \dots, t_{j_{13}}$ , such that  $t_{j_i} = t_{j_0} + i$ .

- At  $t_{j_0}, t_{j_1}, t_{j_2}$ , all nodes in any layer  $\{L(0), L(1)\}, \{L(3), L(4)\}, \dots, \{L(k), L(k+1)\}$  such that  $(k \bmod 3 = 0)$  do some computations in parallel to determine if they are ACTIVE LAYER or ACTIVE CHILD LAYER. At  $t_{j_3}, t_{j_4}, t_{j_5}$  (resp.  $t_{j_6}, t_{j_7}, t_{j_8}$ ), we do the same computation for all nodes in any layer  $\{L(1), L(2)\}, \{L(4), L(5)\}, \dots, \{L(k+1), L(k+2)\}$  (resp.  $\{L(2), L(3)\}, \{L(5), L(6)\}, \dots, \{L(k+2), L(k+3)\}$ ).
- At  $t_{j_9}$ , the ACTIVE node  $s$  (let suppose that  $s$  is in any layer  $L(l)$ ) beeps for asking if there is any unlabeled CHILDREN nodes in layer  $L(l+1)$ .

- All unlabeled ACTIVECHILDLAYER nodes in layer  $L(l+1)$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_9}$  beep at  $t_{j_{10}}$  to notify the ACTIVE node that there remain unlabeled CHILDREN nodes.
- $t_{j_{11}}$  is the feedback step when a CHILDREN node beeps in order to notify the previously ACTIVE node that it gets labeled.
- $t_{j_{12}}$  is the notification step when all nodes hearing beep at  $t_{j_{11}}$  beeps in order to notify its CHILDREN that one of their 2-hop neighbors in layer  $L(l+1)$  gets labeled.
- When the ACTIVE node has no more unlabeled CHILDREN, it has to beep in order to notify the precedent ACTIVE node in layer  $L(l-1)$  at  $t_{j_{13}}$  which is revisited by the DFS algorithm.

With these 14 sub-steps, we can now explain the execution of our naming algorithm. We first define TEST() protocol for doing all computations during  $t_{j_0}$  to  $t_{j_8}$  in any round  $t_j$  as follows. At  $t_{j_0}$ , ACTIVE node in layer  $L(0), L(3), \dots L(k)$  (such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$ ), beeps. The WAITING nodes in layers  $L(1), L(4), \dots L(k+1)$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_0}$  set  $status \leftarrow ACTIVECHILDLAYER$  and beep at  $t_{j_1}$ . All WAITING nodes in layer  $L(0), L(3), \dots L(k)$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_1}$  set  $status \leftarrow ACTIVELAYER$  and beep at  $t_{j_2}$ . All WAITING nodes in layer  $L(1), L(4), \dots L(k+1)$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_2}$  set  $status \leftarrow ACTIVECHILDLAYER$  and a counter  $labeled \leftarrow 0$ . We do the same computations at  $t_{j_3}, t_{j_4}, t_{j_5}$  (resp.  $t_{j_6}, t_{j_7}, t_{j_8}$ ) for layers  $\{L(1), L(2)\}, \dots \{L(4), L(5)\}, \dots \{L(k+1), L(k+2)\}$  (resp.  $\{L(2), L(3)\}, \{L(5), L(6)\}, \dots \{L(k+2), L(k+3)\}$ ).

**Description of the naming algorithm.** At the beginning, all nodes set  $status \leftarrow WAITING$ . The leader gets label  $\ell \leftarrow 0$ , sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ . During  $t_{0_0}$  to  $t_{0_8}$  ( $j = 0$ ), all nodes compute their status by evoking  $status \leftarrow TEST()$ . At  $t_{0_9}$ , the ACTIVE node (leader) beeps. All ACTIVECHILDLAYER nodes hearing beep at  $t_{0_9}$  set  $status \leftarrow CHILDREN$  and beep at  $t_{0_{10}}$ . All new CHILDREN nodes that have no labeled neighbors counter set a counter  $labeled \leftarrow 0$ . The new CHILDREN node having  $ORDER = labeled$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ , gets label  $\ell \leftarrow 1 = (j+1)$  and beeps at  $t_{0_{11}}$ . The ACTIVE node hearing beep at  $t_{0_{11}}$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVATED$  and beeps at  $t_{0_{12}}$ . CHILDREN nodes hearing beep at  $t_{0_{12}}$  increment  $labeled \leftarrow labeled + 1$ . If the ACTIVE node  $s$  does not hear a beep at  $t_{0_{11}}$ ,  $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow DONE$ , beeps at  $t_{0_{13}}$  and quits the algorithm. All CHILDREN nodes reset  $status \leftarrow WAITING$ . The ACTIVATED node hearing beep at  $t_{0_{13}}$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ . After that, we do the same computations for the new ACTIVE node as follows. During  $t_{1_0}$  to  $t_{1_8}$  ( $j = 1$ ), all nodes compute their status by evoking  $status \leftarrow TEST()$ . At  $t_{1_9}$ , the ACTIVE node (node with label 1) beeps. All ACTIVECHILDLAYER nodes hearing beep at  $t_{1_9}$  set  $status \leftarrow CHILDREN$  and beep at  $t_{1_{10}}$ . All new CHILDREN nodes that have no labeled neighbors counter set a counter  $labeled \leftarrow 0$ . The new CHILDREN node having  $ORDER = labeled$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ , gets label  $\ell \leftarrow 2 = (j+1)$  and beeps at  $t_{1_{11}}$ . the ACTIVE node hearing beep at  $t_{1_{11}}$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVATED$  and beeps at  $t_{1_{12}}$ . ACTIVELAYER nodes hearing beep at  $t_{1_{11}}$  beep at  $t_{1_{12}}$ . CHILDREN nodes hearing beep at  $t_{1_{12}}$  increment  $labeled \leftarrow labeled + 1$ . ACTIVECHILDLAYER nodes hearing beep at  $t_{1_{12}}$  increment  $labeled \leftarrow labeled + 1$ . If the ACTIVE node  $s$

does not hear a beep at  $t_{1_{11}}$ ,  $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{DONE}$ , beeps at  $t_{1_{13}}$  and quits the algorithm. All CHILDREN nodes, ACTIVE LAYER nodes and ACTIVE CHILD LAYER nodes reset  $status \leftarrow \text{WAITING}$ . ACTIVATED node hearing beep at  $t_{1_{13}}$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{ACTIVE}$ . Then we do the same computations for  $j$  from 2 to  $O(\Delta)$ . Figure B.2 in Appendix B shows an example of execution of the 5<sup>th</sup> round of NAMING() algorithm.

**Algorithm.2** TEST() at any node  $s$

**Input** : Layered nodes having unique ID  $\in [1, N]$   
**Output**: Each node  $s$  with  $status \in \{\text{ACTIVE}, \text{WAITING}, \text{ACTIVE LAYER}, \text{ACTIVE CHILD LAYER}\}$

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1 for  $i$  from 0 to 2 do
2   if  $s$  is ACTIVE and has layer  $L(k+i)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$  then
3     |  $s$  beeps at  $t_{j_{3i}}$ 
4   end
5   if  $s$  is WAITING and has layer  $L(k+i+1)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$ 
      and hears beep at  $t_{j_{3i}}$  then
6     |  $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{ACTIVE CHILD LAYER}$  and beeps at  $t_{j_{3i+1}}$ 
7   end
8   if  $s$  is WAITING and has layer  $L(k+i)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$  and
      hears beep at  $t_{j_{3i+1}}$  then
9     |  $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{ACTIVE LAYER}$  and beeps at  $t_{j_{3i+2}}$ 
10  end
11  if  $s$  is WAITING and has layer  $L(k+i+1)$  such that  $k \bmod 3 = 0$ 
      and hears beep at  $t_{j_{3i+2}}$  then
12    |  $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow \text{ACTIVE CHILD LAYER}$ ,  $labeled \leftarrow 0$ 
13  end
14 end

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**Lemma 2.** The WHILE loop of Algorithm.3 (lines 9 to 41) terminates in  $O(n)$  rounds assigning to each node a unique label  $\ell \in [0, 2n]$ .

*Proof.* As the time complexity of DFS algorithm is at most  $2n$ , the WHILE loop in line 9 of Algorithm.3 terminates after at most  $2n$  time slots. We can see in line 20 of Algorithm.3 that the labeling  $\ell$  assigned to each node  $s$  corresponds to the time slot when  $s$  is visited first by the DFS algorithm. Thus, after the WHILE loop of Algorithm.3, each node has a label  $\ell \in [0, 2n]$ .  $\square$

Lemma 2 show that we don't have a correct labeling  $\ell$  of the network such that  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . The following Lemma is important to locally compute such correct labeling without sending any message.

**Lemma 3.** For any node  $s$ , let  $\ell(s)$  be a labeling of  $s$  ( $\ell(s) \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\ell(s)$  is unique). Let  $\ell_A(s)$  (as Assigned label) be the label assigned by the WHILE loop of Algorithm.3 to  $s$  in any layer  $L(k)$  ( $\ell_A(s) \in [0, 2n]$ ). For all nodes and all  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\ell(s) = \frac{\ell_A(s) + L(k)}{2} \quad (1)$$

**Algorithm.3** NAMING(N) at any node  $s$ **Input** : A common value N representing the maximal possible value of ID**Output:** Each node  $s$  having unique label  $\ell$ 

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1   $s$  do leader election algorithm as described in [8]
2  if  $s$  is LEADER then
3     $s$  gets layer  $L(0)$ ,  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ ,  $\ell \leftarrow 0$ ,  $labeled \leftarrow NULL$ 
4  else
5     $s$  gets layer  $L(k)$  using the beep waves tool described in [10,
      paragraph 5.3]),  $s$  sets  $status$  WAITING
6  end
7   $s$  sets round counter  $j \leftarrow 0$ ,  $num \leftarrow ORDERING(N)$ 
8  while  $status \neq DONE$  do
9     $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow TEST()$  during  $t_{j0}$  to  $t_{js}$ 
10   if  $s$  is ACTIVE then
11      $s$  beeps at  $t_{j0}$ 
12   end
13   if  $s$  is ACTIVECHILDLAYER and hears beep at  $t_{j9}$  then
14      $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow CHILDREN$  and beeps at  $t_{j10}$  if  $labeled = NULL$ 
15       then
16          $s$  sets  $labeled \leftarrow 0$ 
17     end
18   if  $s$  is CHILDREN and  $labeled = num$  then
19      $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ ,  $\ell \leftarrow j + 1$  and beeps at  $t_{j11}$ 
20   end
21   if  $s$  is ACTIVE then
22     if  $s$  hears beep at  $t_{j11}$  then
23        $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVATED$  and beeps at  $t_{j12}$ 
24     else
25        $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow DONE$  and beeps at  $t_{j13}$ 
26     end
27   end
28   if  $s$  is ACTIVELAYER and hears beep at  $t_{j11}$  then
29      $s$  beeps at  $t_{j12}$ 
30   end
31   if ( $s$  is CHILDREN or ACTIVECHILDLAYER) and hears beep at  $t_{j12}$ 
32     then
33        $s$  sets  $labeled \leftarrow labeled + 1$ 
34     end
35   if  $s$  is ACTIVATED and hears beep at  $t_{j13}$  then
36      $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow ACTIVE$ 
37   end
38   if ( $s$  is CHILDREN or ACTIVECHILDLAYER or ACTIVELAYER) then
39      $s$  sets  $status \leftarrow WAITING$ 
40   end
41    $s$  sets  $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
42 end
43  $s$  sets  $\ell \leftarrow \frac{\ell + L(k)}{2} + 1$ 

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*Proof.* We first proceed by induction on  $k$ . As  $\frac{0+0}{2} = 0$ , property (1) is always true for  $k = 0$ . Let now suppose that property (1) is satisfied by every nodes in any layer  $L(k)$ ,  $k > 0$ . In layer  $L(k+1)$ , all nodes have an ordering  $0 \leq \text{ORDER} \leq \Delta$  such that the node having  $\text{ORDER} = 0$  is labeled first. We can apply a proof by induction on  $\text{ORDER}$  to all nodes in layer  $L(k+1)$ . To do so, we start by proving that property (1) is true for all nodes having  $\text{ORDER} = 0$ .

-(i) For any node  $s$  having  $\text{ORDER} = 0$  in layer  $L(k+1)$ , we can considering its parent as root of a network of diameter 2 where all nodes are at distance 1 from the root. As  $s$  is visited first by the DFS algorithm after his parent, we have

$$\ell(s) = \ell(\text{root}) + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \ell_A(s) = \ell_A(\text{root}) + 1 \quad (2)$$

By our induction hypothesis,

$$\ell(\text{root}) = \frac{\ell_A(\text{root}) + k}{2}$$

As a consequence,

$$\ell(s) = \frac{\ell_A(\text{root}) + k}{2} + 1 = \frac{\ell_A(\text{root}) + k + 2}{2} = \frac{\ell_A(\text{root}) + 1 + k + 1}{2}$$

Using property (2),

$$\ell(s) = \frac{\ell_A(s) + (k+1)}{2}$$

Thus, property (1) is satisfied for all nodes having  $\text{ORDER} = 0$  in  $L(k+1)$ .

-(ii) Let now suppose that property (1) is satisfied by all nodes having  $\text{ORDER} = i$ ,  $i > 0$  in layer  $L(k+1)$ . For any node  $s, v$  in layer  $L(k+1)$  having respectively  $\text{ORDER} = (i+1)$  and  $\text{ORDER} = i$ , such that  $s$  and  $v$  are connected to the same node in layer  $L(k)$ , let note  $S_T(s)$  (resp.  $S_T(v)$ ) the sub-tree rooted in  $s$  (resp.  $v$ ).  $|S_T(s)|$  is the number of nodes in  $S_T(s)$ .  $t_{\text{DONE}}(s)$  denotes the time slot when a node  $s$  is DONE. We remark that  $\ell_A(v)$  can be interpreted as the first time when  $v$  is visited. By analyzing the behavior of Algorithm.3, we have

$$\ell_A(s) = t_{\text{DONE}}(v) + 2 \quad \text{and} \quad t_{\text{DONE}}(v) = \ell_A(v) + 2 \times |S_T(v)|$$

As a consequence,

$$\ell_A(s) = \ell_A(v) + 2 \times |S_T(v)| + 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \ell(s) = \ell(v) + |S_T(v)| + 1 \quad (3)$$

By applying our induction hypothesis on  $\text{ORDER}$  to (3),

$$\ell(s) = \frac{\ell_A(v) + (k+1)}{2} + |S_T(v)| + 1 = \frac{\ell_A(v) + (k+1) + 2|S_T(v)| + 2}{2}$$

Using (3), we prove that property (1) is true for all nodes in layer  $L(k+1)$ .  $\square$   
We can see an example illustrating Lemma 3 in Figure B.2 (k) of Appendix B.

**Theorem 1.** *In multi-hop beeping networks of size  $n$  where all nodes have unique ID  $\in [0, N]$  and know  $N$ , there is a deterministic naming algorithm, assigning unique label  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  to all nodes in  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  time slots.*

*Proof.* The time complexity of Algorithm.3 is the sum of

- leader election complexity (line 1 of Algorithm.3) :  $O(D + \log N)$
- layering complexity (line 5 of Algorithm.3):  $O(D)$
- ORDERING( $N$ ) complexity (line 8 of Algorithm.3) :  $O(\Delta \log N)$  by Lemma 1
- and the WHILE loop in line 9 of Algorithm.3 times TEST() complexity ( $O(1)$ ):  $O(n)$  by Lemma 2.

By Lemma 3, line 42 of Algorithm.3 assigns to each node a label  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  after  $O(D + \log N + D + \Delta \log N + 2n) = O(n + \Delta \log N)$  time slots without any additional communication.  $\square$

### 2.3 Counting algorithm

Our main idea to design a counting algorithm is to adapt Algorithm.3 such that the last node labeled by Algorithm.3 has to broadcast its label.

**Theorem 2.** *In multi-hop beeping networks of size  $n$  where all nodes have unique ID  $\in [0, N]$  and know  $N$ , there is a deterministic counting algorithm, assigning to all nodes the exact number of participants in  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  time slots.*

*Proof.* we add 2 additional communication steps  $t_{j_{14}}, t_{j_{15}}$  to each round  $t_j$  of Algorithm.3 in order to have an end notification step for the NAMING() algorithm.

- After calling the ORDERING( $N$ ) algorithm, each node know how many CHILDREN nodes it has. Then, we add a CHILDREN node counter to each node that decreases every time a CHILDREN node gets labeled. When the LEADER has only one remaining CHILDREN node, it beeps at  $t_{j_{14}}$ . An unlabeled node  $s$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_{14}}$  knows that it is last labeled node in layer  $L(1)$ . When  $s$  has only one remaining CHILDREN node, it beeps at  $t_{j_{14}}$  to notify the last node in layer  $L(2)$  and so on.

- An unlabeled node  $v$  hearing beep at  $t_{j_{14}}$  that no have any CHILDREN node know that it is the last labeled node on the network.  $v$  starts sending an end notification in  $t_{j_{15}}$  and all nodes hearing beep at  $t_{j_{15}}$  beep at  $t_{(j+1)_{15}}$  and waits for the broadcast from  $v$ .  $v$  broadcasts  $\ell$  in  $O(D + \log n)$  time slots.  $\square$

## 3 $n$ is unknown and the nodes are indistinguishable

If the nodes are indistinguishable and  $n$  is unknown, we have to use randomness in order to generate unique ID for breaking symmetry on the network. To do so, the nodes have to know an upper bound of  $n$ . In order to find such an upper bound, we use the following results. Let  $Y$  be the following discrete probability distribution. Given  $\alpha \in ]0, 1]$ ,

$$p_k = \mathbb{P}[Y = k] = e^{-\frac{1+\alpha}{1-\alpha}k} - e^{-\frac{1+\alpha}{1-\alpha}(k+1)}$$

By taking a suitable value of  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha = \frac{2}{7}$ ), we have

$$p_k = \mathbb{P}[Y = k] = e^{-\frac{9}{5}k} - e^{-\frac{9}{5}(k+1)} \quad (4)$$

The following Lemma states that the maximal of  $n$  copies of random variables distributed as (4) is of the order of  $\Theta(\log n)$ .

**Lemma 4 (Bounds of the maximum).** *For  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , let  $(Y_j)$  be  $n$  independent copies of a random variable distributed as (4). We have*

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\frac{1}{2} \log n \leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} Y_j \leq \frac{3}{4} \log n\right] \geq 1 - O\left(\frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right) \quad (5)$$

*Proof.*

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} Y_j \geq \frac{1}{2} \log(n)\right] = 1 - \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{1}{2} \log(n)} e^{-\frac{9}{5}j} - e^{-\frac{9}{5}(j+1)}\right)^n = 1 - \left(1 - e^{-\frac{9}{5}(\frac{1}{2} \log(n)+1)}\right)^n.$$

Since  $(1 - x) \leq e^{-x}$ , after a bit algebra, we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} Y_j \geq \frac{1}{2} \log(n)\right] \geq 1 - (e^{-ne^{-\frac{9}{5}(\frac{1}{2} \log(n)+1)}})^n \geq 1 - O\left(\frac{1}{e^{n^{\frac{1}{10}}}}\right)$$

In the same way, since  $(1 - x) \geq e^{-x-x^2}$ , the probability that the maximum is at most  $\frac{3}{4} \log(n)$  is

$$\left(\sum_{\delta=0}^{\frac{3}{4} \log(n)} e^{-\frac{9}{5}\delta} - e^{-\frac{9}{5}(j+1)}\right)^n = \left(1 - e^{-\frac{9}{5}(\frac{3}{4} \log(n)+1)}\right)^n \geq e^{-n^{-\frac{7}{20}} - n^{-\frac{34}{20}}} \geq 1 - O\left(\frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right).$$

□

We can now find an upper bound  $u$  of  $n$  in each node of the network as follows.

### 3.1 Finding $u$ such that $n^2 \leq u \leq n^3$

Each node  $s$  generates one local random variable  $Y_s$  distributed as (4). Then, all nodes start finding an upper bound of the maximum of all generated *r.v.* as follows. At the beginning, all nodes having  $Y_s \in [0, 2]$  beeps. The other nodes have to listen to the network during  $D$  time slots and to beep immediately after hearing a beep. Thus, after  $D$  time slots, all nodes know if at least one of them have  $Y_s \in [0, 2]$ . We do the same computation for  $[0, 4]$ ,  $[0, 8]$ ... until reaching the interval in which no node has  $Y_s$ . Then the nodes do a dichotomy on this last interval to find  $\max_{1 \leq s \leq n} Y_s$ . In what follows,  $\text{TESTBEEP}(a, b)$  (see Appendix A) is a local operation called at some time slot  $t_k$ . It works during  $D$  time slots  $t_k, t_{k+1}, \dots, t_{k+D-1}$ . During such time slots, a node  $s$  beeps at the beginning (at  $t_k$ ) if its random variable  $Y_s$  verifies  $a \leq Y_s \leq b$ , otherwise  $s$  listens during

$D$  time slots. Each node hearing beep at any round immediately beeps after. After any  $D$  time slots,  $\text{TESTBEEP}(a, b)$  outputs BEEP if and only if at least one node of the network beeps during these rounds (that is at least one node  $v$  has  $a \leq Y_v \leq b$ ). Observe that during such a rounds, all beeping nodes know they just beeped.

**Lemma 5.** *Algorithm 5 (see Appendix A) terminates in  $O(D \log \log n)$  w.h.p.*

*Proof.* By Lemma 4, the maximum of all generated  $r.v.$  by all the nodes is in  $[\frac{1}{2} \log n, \frac{3}{4} \log n]$  w.h.p. As a consequence, finding its upper bound as in lines 2 to 4 of Algorithm 5 ends after  $O(\log \log n)$  loops. In the same way, finding the exact value of such a maximum by mean of a dichotomy ends after  $O(\log \log n)$  loops (lines 7 13 of Algorithm 5). As in each loop, all nodes call the  $\text{TESTBEEP}(a, b)$  algorithm, having  $O(D)$  time complexity, Algorithm 5 terminates w.h.p. after  $O(D \log \log n)$  rounds. Thus, by Lemma 4, the last line of Algorithm 5 provides  $n^2 \leq u \leq n^3$  w.h.p..  $\square$

### 3.2 Naming and counting algorithms

**Theorem 3.** *In multi-hop beeping networks of size  $n$  where all nodes are initially indistinguishable, there is a randomized naming algorithm, assigning unique label  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  to all nodes in  $O(n + \Delta \log N + D \log \log n)$  time slots w.h.p.*

*Proof.* After calling the previous protocols, all nodes can generate unique ID  $s$  w.h.p. and can know  $N$ , the maximal range of all ID  $s$ . Thus, all the nodes can execute the  $\text{NAMING}(N)$  algorithm. As a consequence, the time complexity of such a randomized naming algorithm is  $O(n + \Delta \log N + D \log \log n)$   $\square$

**Theorem 4.** *In multi-hop beeping networks of size  $n$  where all nodes are initially indistinguishable, there is a randomized counting algorithm, assigning to all nodes the exact number of participants in  $O(n + \Delta \log N + D \log \log n)$  time slots w.h.p..*

*Proof.* As the deterministic version, our randomized naming algorithm can be adapted to have a randomized counting algorithm with  $O(n + \Delta \log N + D \log \log n)$  time complexity.

## 4 Conclusion

In this paper, we presented deterministic naming algorithm on multi-hop beeping networks. When no node knows the size  $n$  of the network, and all nodes have unique ID  $\in [1, N]$ , our protocol terminates in optimal  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  rounds assigning unique label  $\ell \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  to each node. Our algorithm can be adapted for the counting problem, returning the exact number of nodes in  $O(n + \Delta \log N)$  rounds. All these algorithms are optimal in time complexity in view of the  $\Omega(\Delta \log N)$  lower bound and the  $\Omega(n)$  lower bound given in ([5, 3]). In the case when the nodes are indistinguishable, we design randomized naming and counting algorithms terminating in  $O(n + \Delta \log N + D \log \log n)$  time slots w.h.p..

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## Appendix

### A Randomized algorithms implementations

**Algorithm 4.** TESTBEEP( $a, b$ ).

**Input** : Each node  $s$  with a local random variable  $Y_s$ , 2 values  $a$  and  $b$   
**Output**: BEEP or NULL

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1 if  $Y_s \in [a, b]$  then
2   | BEEP at  $t_0$ 
3   | return BEEP
4 else
5   | for  $j$  from 1 to  $D$  do
6     | if heard BEEP at  $t_{j-1}$  then
7       | BEEP at  $t_j$ 
8       | return BEEP
9     | else
10      | end
11   | end
12 end
13 return NULL

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**Algorithm 5.** Finding  $u$ .

**Input** : A common constants  $\alpha = \frac{2}{7}$ , the diameter  $D$  of the network  
**Output**: Each node  $s$  knowing a common value  $u \in [n^2, n^3]$ .

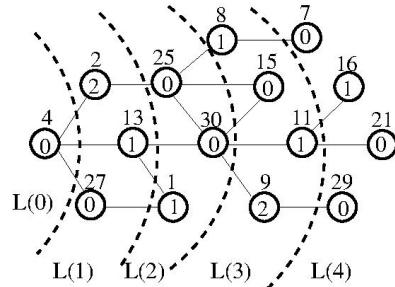
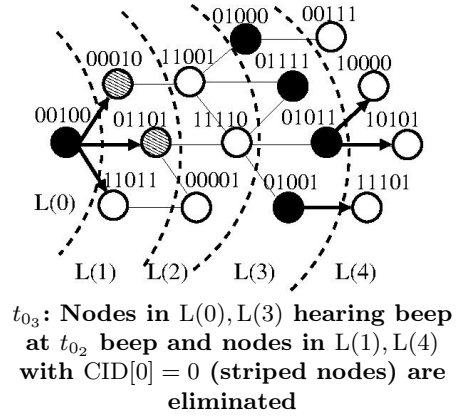
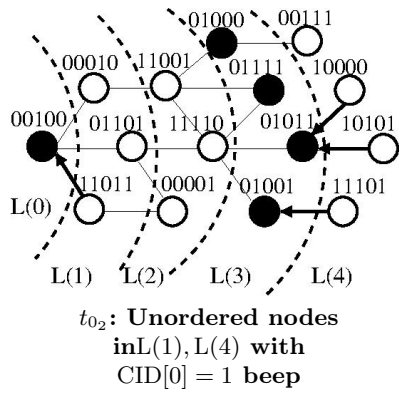
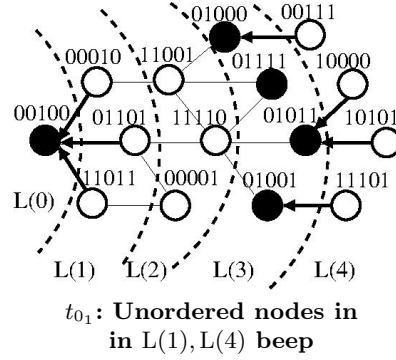
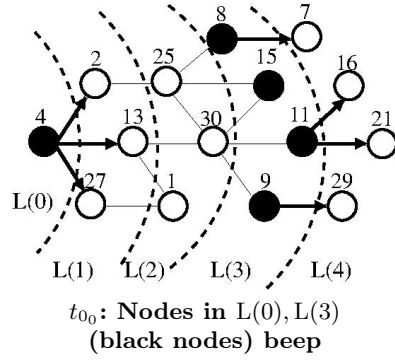
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1 Each node  $s$  generates one r.v.  $Y_s$  as defined by (4) and sets
  status  $\leftarrow$  ACTIVE.
2 All nodes set  $k \leftarrow 0$  and do
3   |  $s$  sets  $k \leftarrow k + 1, \text{SUP} \leftarrow 2^k$ 
4 while TEST(0, SUP)  $\neq$  NULL
5 Each node  $s$  stores the last value of  $k$ 
6 All nodes set INF  $\leftarrow 0$  and SUP  $\leftarrow 2^k$ .
7 while INF  $\neq$  SUP do
8   | if TEST( $\lceil (\text{INF} + \text{SUP})/2 \rceil$ , SUP) = NULL then
9     | SUP  $\leftarrow \lceil \frac{\text{INF} + \text{SUP}}{2} \rceil - 1$ 
10  | else
11    | INF  $\leftarrow \lceil \frac{\text{INF} + \text{SUP}}{2} \rceil$ 
12  | end
13 end
14 All nodes set  $u \leftarrow 2^{4 \times \text{SUP}}$ 

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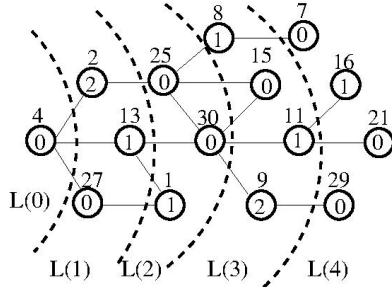
## B Figures

### B.1 Example of execution of ORDERING(N) algorithm

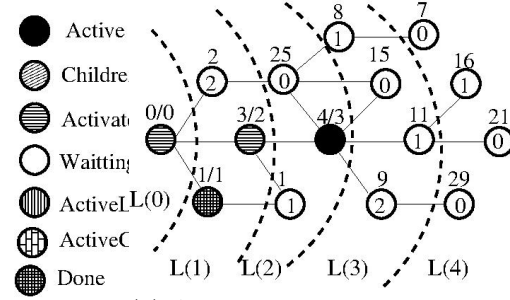




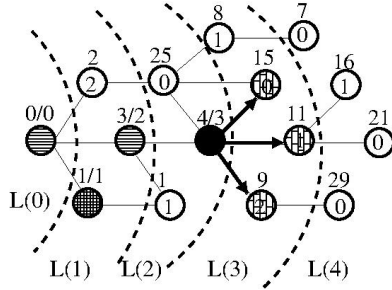
**B.2 Example of execution of the 5<sup>th</sup> round of NAMING() algorithm.**  
 We only show steps  $t_{5_6}, t_{5_7}, t_{5_8}$  for TEST() algorithm because the current ACTIVE node is in layer L(2). In the notation  $A/B$ ,  $A$  corresponds to label assigned by the WHILE loop and  $B$  represents the label  $\ell \in \{1, 2 \dots n\}$ .



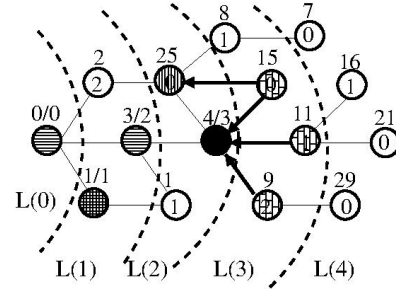
(a) The network after ORDERING(N) algorithm



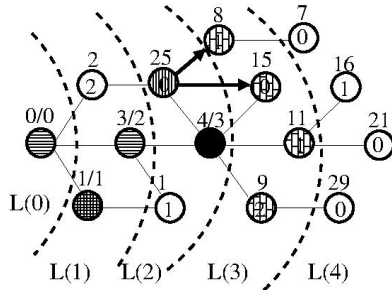
(b) After round  $t_4$  of NAMING(N) algorithm



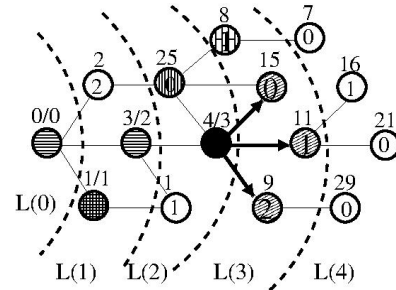
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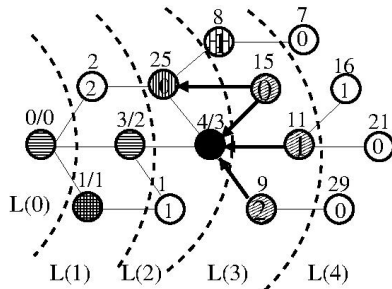
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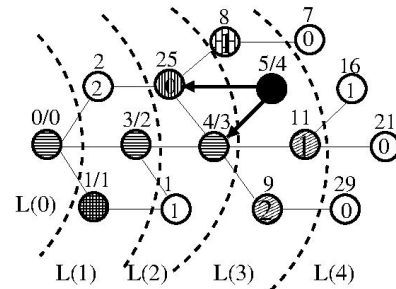
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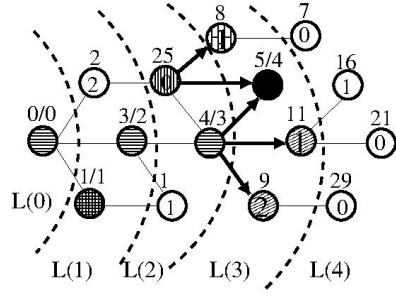
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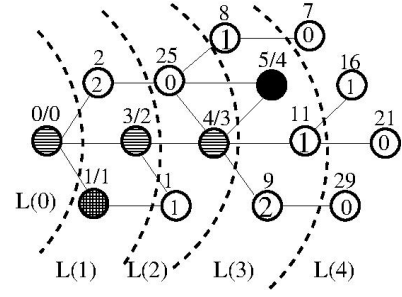
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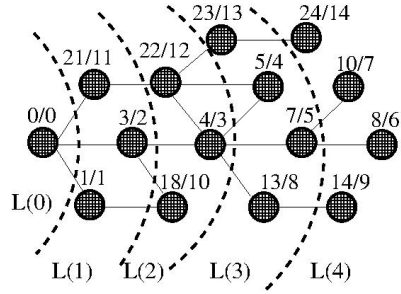
(h) Step  $t_{5_{11}}$



(i) Step  $t_{5_{12}}$



(j) Step  $t_{5_{13}}$



(k) Network after NAM-ING(N)