

# Third-Generation Structured Mesh<sup>TM</sup> for Military Environments

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- Deployed combat environment, not enterprise or municipality
- Coordinated mesh networks optimal
- Distributed channel agility critical
- Maximum hop capacity for lower cost, ease of deployment, survivability



- Resistance to jamming / inadvertent interference
- Dynamic, adaptable for mobile deployment
  - > Hybrid mesh capabilities
- Low latency and jitter for real-time performance
  - > Video, voice



 Multiple mesh vendors for sensor nets, force protection, etc. create challenges

- > Channel interference
- > Management
- Coordinated mesh networks supporting multiple applications are synergistic
  - Each node added improves performance overall, adds survivability



**Distributed Channel Agility** 

Unlicensed spectrum

- > Inadvertent and malicious interference
- > 802.11a backhauls -- more channels, fewer interfering sources
- Near-instantaneous meshing of mobile nodes needed without configuration
- Requires distributed "radio robot" for channel agility



- Minimizes Ethernet drops, attendant costs
- More survivable in emergencies
- Easiest to deploy with less pre-engineering
- Best coverage of large unwired areas
- Most flexibility for mobile node deployment
- Proven high performance in USAF tests



- Higher-performance solution offers headroom for future applications without forklift upgrade
- Primarily software-based, mainly COTS hardware
- Multi-hop capacity minimizes disruption of existing wired networks -- fewer drops



- Mobile nodes, many hops
- USAF Force Protection BattleLab testing
- Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey CA
- COAST testing, trial deployment CA and Thailand
- In-theater extended mobility trial in Iraq (Shotspotter)



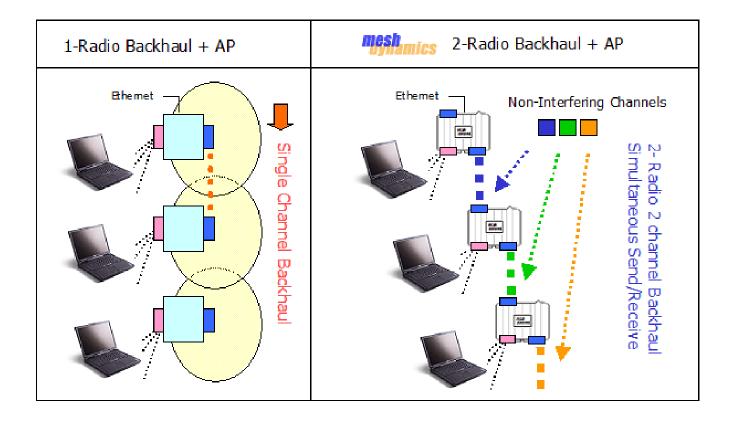
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#### One Radio Backhauls run out of steam

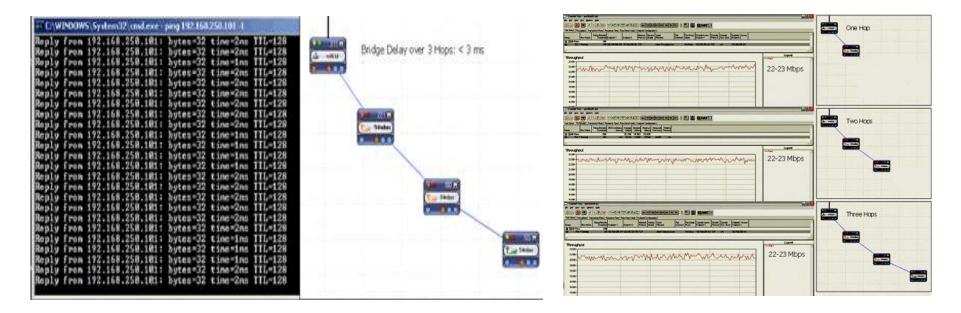
1-Radio Backhaul Cannot Send/Receive Simultaneously

Single Radio Backhaul Multi Radio Backhaul Non-Interfering Channels. AP MD Co-Channel Interference AP MD Simultaneous Step 1, Receive Packet Step 2. Send (on same radio) Receive/Send Mesh Backhaul Radios

# Mesh Mics Structured Mesh has a Multi-Radio Backhaul



# **Mesh** No Appreciable Performance Degradation

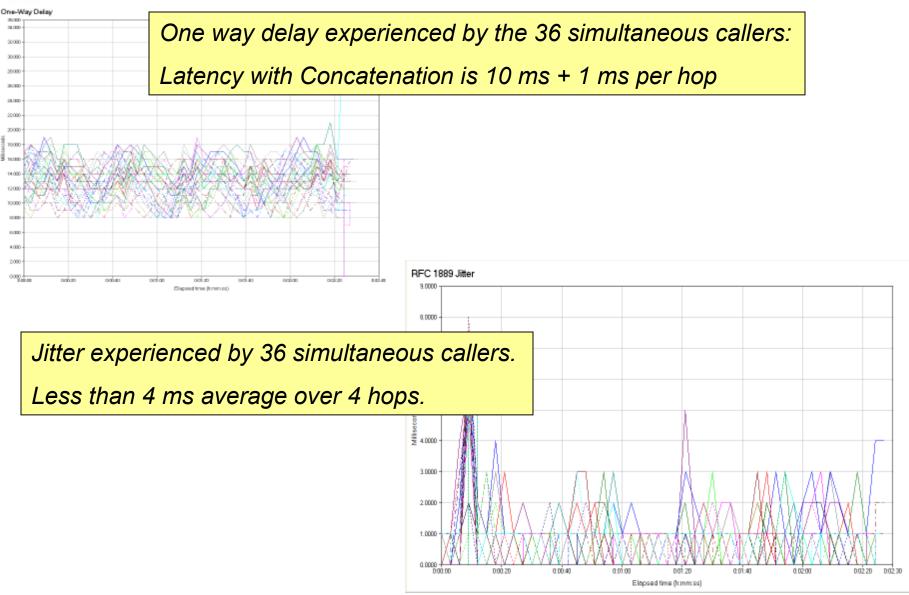


USAF Test Findings at Force Protection Battle Lab.

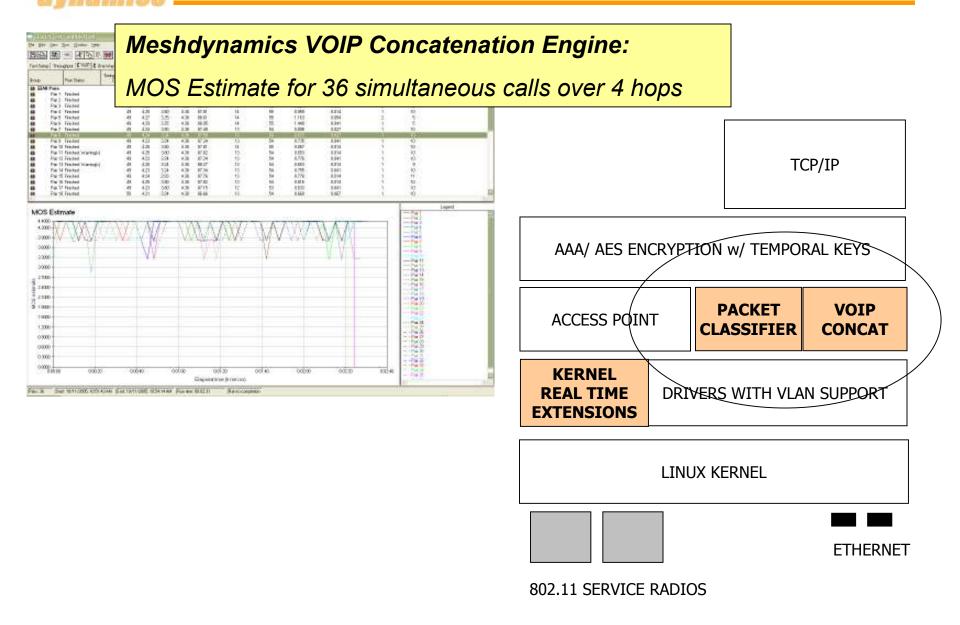
- 1. Bandwidth is preserved
- 2. Latency is less than 1 ms per hop



## Controlled Latency and Jitter (VOIP)



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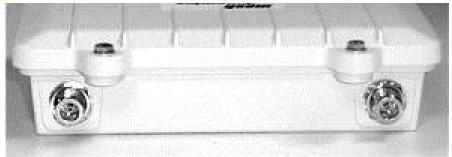
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## **Commercial Product**



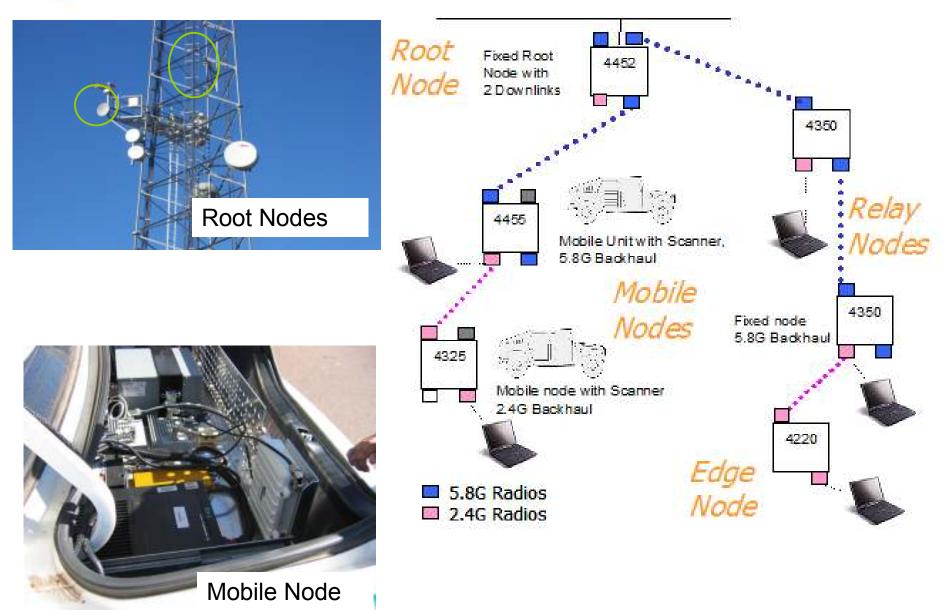
4 N-Female Connectors, 2 Ethernet Ports Module Dimensions: 8" x 6" x 2", 3.0 lbs Top: 2 N-Female connectors to Antennas



Bottom: 2 N-Female, 2 Ethernet Ports with POE



# MeshDynamics Interoperable Framework



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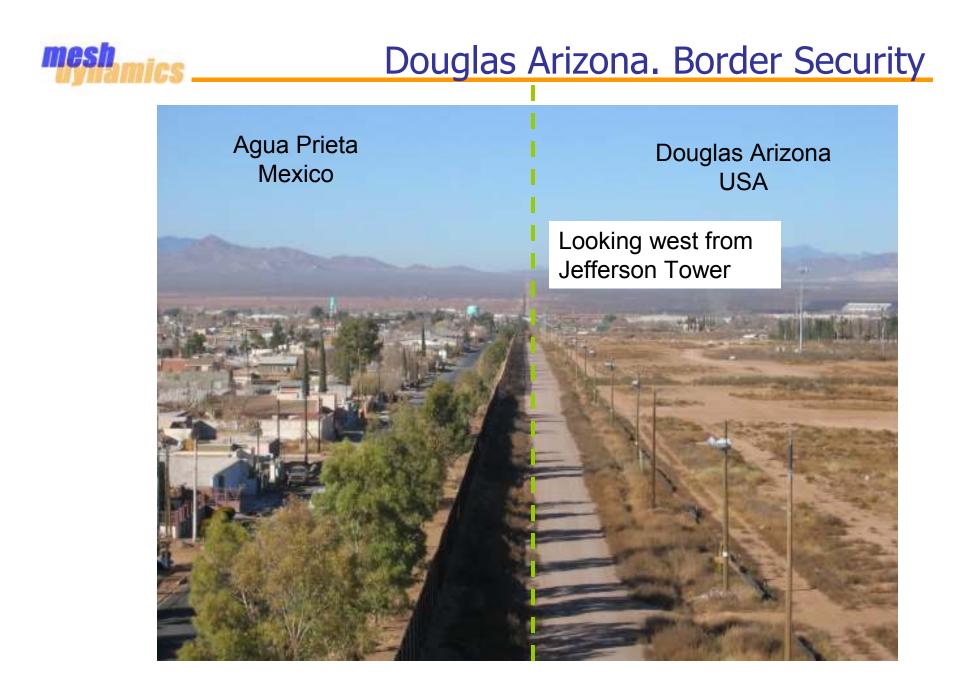
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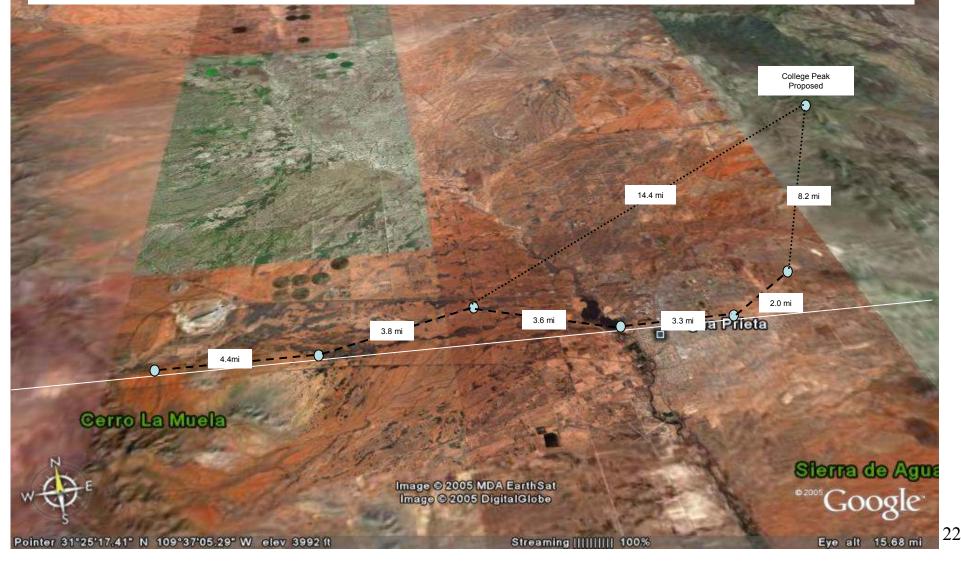
#### Douglas AZ

6 stationary MD4350-AABx-1100, 4 mobile MD4220-BBxx-0000

Backhaul using 29dbi Hyperlink Parabolic Antennas (HG5829d) with UBNT radios, no amps

Backhaul transmit rate is 54Mbps on all links. Throughput is 20Mbps.

SPAWAR has tested a 14mi link that maintained the 54Mps transmit rate.





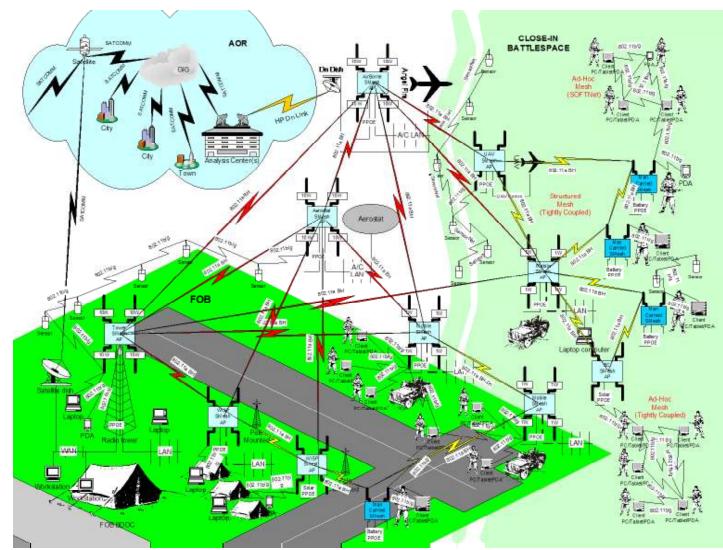




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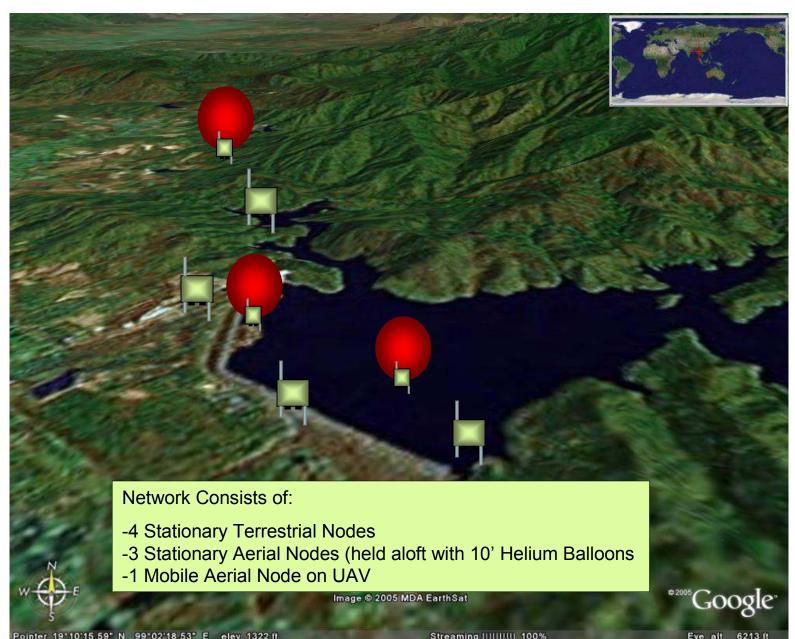
#### **Robust Wireless Network Concept**



Courtesy: Curtis White at Force Protection Battle Labs, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX

#### **Thailand Field Trials**



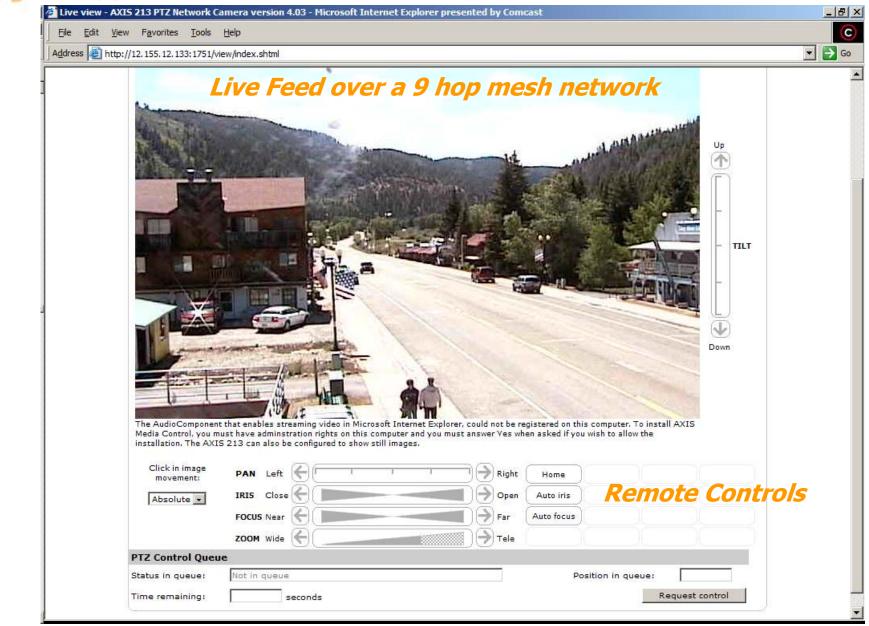


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#### **Video Surveillance Application**



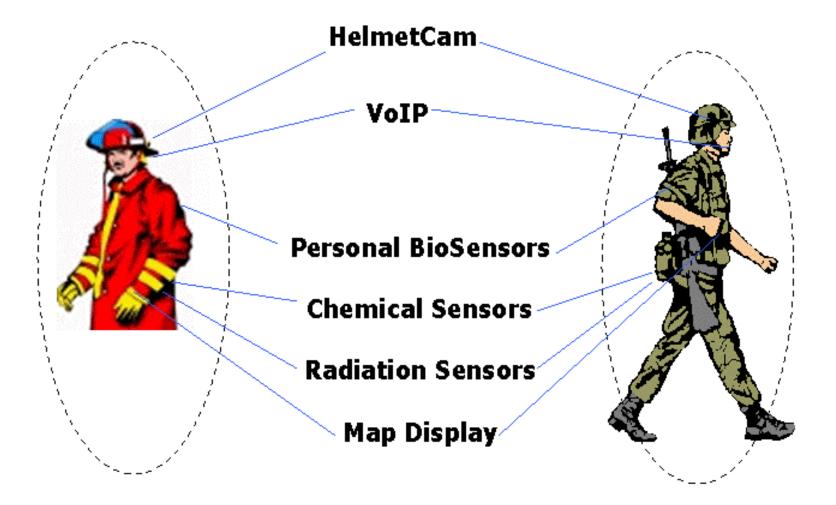
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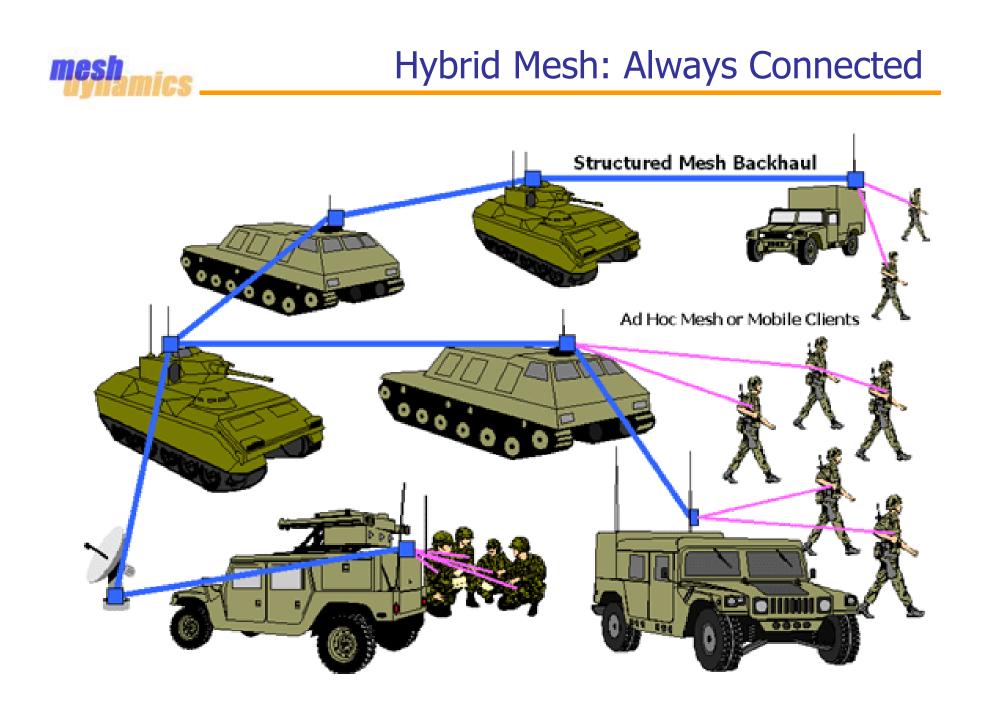


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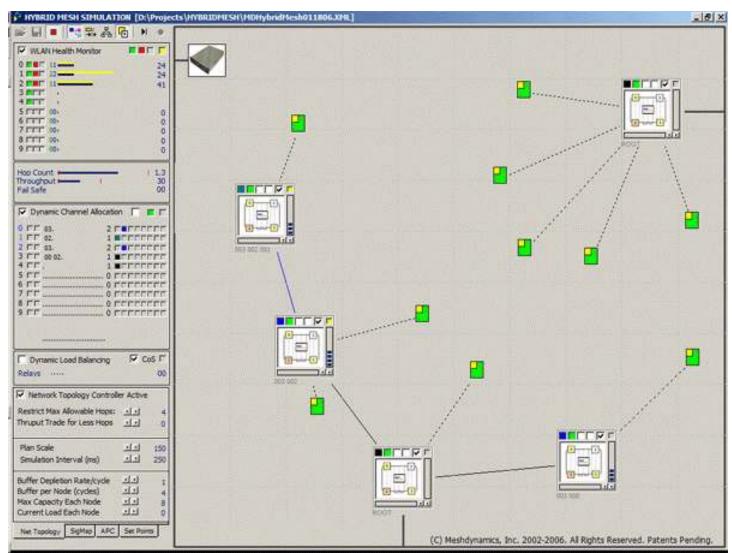
#### Body Area Networks







## Hybrid Mesh: Always Connected





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