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THE PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS OF DTN COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS IN MOON EXPLORATION
PROGRAM.**Abstract**

An Interplanetary communication suffers from a high latency and transmission errors due to the intermittent connectivity and requires a high transmission power for message delivery. Delay/Disruption tolerant network (DTN) has been developed to ensure the message delivery in the challenging interplanetary network and lunar orbit. Contact duration and period between nodes in DTN is critical to reduce an end-to-end latency and to optimally utilize resource at each node. In this paper, we consider a DTN communication system which transmits message from Earth and Moon through network. We demonstrate that a relay system with orbiter reduces the end-to-end latency for message delivery. In addition, we derive proper routing scheme and minimum buffer size at Earth and lunar to ensure the message delivery.