

Multi Objective Data Aggregation Scheduling for Power Efficient WNSN

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Abstract

A nano sensor can be charged using nano batteries. Various methods like energy harvesting had evolved to optimize the power utilization. These methods are helpful to prolong the network life time. Finding the optimum combination of parameters like maximizing the network lifetime from the limited available battery source and minimizing the noise in the channel for minimizing the energy consumption is a challenging task. We model this problem as a multi objective function problem and proposed a data aggregation scheduling method which uses the genetic algorithm. The results prove that this method slightly outperforms the method in [17].

Keywords: WNSN, Bosonic, Data Aggregation, Nanoscale communication, Base Station, Genetic Algorithm.

1. Introduction

With recent advancements in nanotechnology, energy consumption techniques for wireless nano-scale sensor networks (WNSNs) have become many researchers topic. Since battery power and bandwidth are the two limited resources available in WNSNs recharging the nanosensors is a great challenging task for many researchers today. Many researchers had proposed energy harvesting methods to power a nanosensor since it is very difficult to deploy batteries in nanosensors. Since the nanosensors have to aggregate data to the base station, increasing network life time with minimum energy consumption is the major research interests of many researchers today. Hence in this paper we propose the model for the multi objective function for finding an optimal solution which is a optimum combination of these variables.

The rest of paper is organized as follows. In the next section, we introduce the background for the communication model in WNSNs. In Section III we introduce our optimization problem. Simulation results are presented in Section IV, and the conclusions in Section V.

2. Background and Related Work

Operating in the THz frequency allows nanosensors to consume low energy while providing connectivity in the nano to milli meter communication range [8]. The nodes use pulse based communication and Rate Division Time Spread On-Off Keying (RD TS-OOK) [8] as the modulation mechanism. Wireless Nano-scale Sensor Networks (WNSNs) can operate over terahertz band ranging from 0.1-10 THz and this THz band enables nanosensors to consume low energy. And this is reason how nanosensors could detect nanoparticles like hazardous elements in the atmosphere. Since the WNSNs can sense and control important physical processes at the molecular level these are used to enhance the performance of many chemical and biological processes [3, 15, 16].

In [15] Nanosensors are tiny devices made from novel nano materials capable of sensing new types of physical, chemical and biological phenomenon at the molecular level [13]. These are used in many application areas like biology, medicine, chemistry, military, industrial and online microscopic environmental monitoring. Since the nanosensors have to aggregate data to the base station energy consumption methods plays a vital role in WNSN. In [1] the authors proposed a bosonic network model for communication where an optimal schedule through utilizing the observable or measurable physical properties the network topology is suggested.

Several parameters are introduced in the modelling of energy harvesting and consumption that can affect the optimum energy utilization of a nanonode like using the optimum values for code weight, repetition and packet size[14]. Jornet and Akyildiz proposed a energy harvesting and consumption processes in WNSNs [4]. Jornet and Akyildiz [4] argue that using code weight saves energy in transmission since the lower the code weight, the lower the energy for transmission. Doan Duc Tung, Fabio Mottola , Alfredo Testa proposed a method for minimizing power losses in distribution systems using GA in planning and operation. Shipeng Du, Qianzhi Shao and Gang Wang analysed DG influences on system losses in distribution network. Hong Liu, Yinchang Guo, Shaoyun Ge, and Mingxin Zhao studied on the impact of DG configuration on maximum use of load supply capability in distribution power systems. Zeng Pin-zhuo, Wang Ke-you, Li Guo-jie and Jiang Xiu-chen proposed a method for optimization of distributed generation integrated into micro grids considering the correlation of DGs. Xingming Sun¹, Hongwei Qian , Baowei Wang, Qi Liu proposed an enhanced data collection protocol based on CTP. Aijun Zhang, Xingfeng Xiao, Xuan Fu, Dan Wang od on new energy power grid-integration on grid power quality. Chen Wei , Jing Rui , Zhou Wen , LIN Chaoran proposed an innovation network structure of industrial cluster of new energy vehicles in the northeast China. Jinsong Liu studied on the development strategies of new energy automotive industry based on car charging stations and battery management. In this paper we propose a method which is an extension to our method proposed in [17] where the optimal number of concurrent neighbors are obtained. Generally the radio communication in the terahertz band is affected by the chemical compositions of the channel in two different ways[13]. Like the radio signal is attenuated because molecules in the channel absorb energy in certain frequency band and this absorbed energy is re-radiated by the molecules and create noise in the channel. Using these properties the scheduling is proposed and the new schedule improved the network life time.

3. Proposed Optimized Model.

Since nano-sensors have extremely limited energy storage capacity, finding a solution to design simple and energy efficient modulation and coding schema are considered a major challenge for the researchers. Our optimization model for minimizing energy consumption is proposed as a multi objective function and is different from previous works. Earlier several methods are proposed like minimizing the energy consumption through adapting the modulation, efficient routing protocols, or adaptive duty cycle of MAC, packet size and code weight for optimization.

Our model introduces the concept of optimizing several communication objective functions simultaneously, by applying the GA method. In our model we take into account the communication energy consumption for both transmitter and receiver, where the noise produced by the concurrent transmitters is also considered.

Consider a wireless sensor network with n arbitrarily distributed nanosensor nodes. A node can act as a cluster head and is adaptive by adjusting the transmission powers based on the communication distance. Each sensor node aggregates data to the base station. The network is divided into clusters and each cluster head aggregates the data to the base

station. Every node forwards data to an optimal cluster head. For data aggregation in this paper we proposed a novel solution for improving the performance of WNSN. It consists of the following three steps:

1. Identification of ConcHead Nodes
2. Constructing a schedule with a list of neighbours of ConcHeads.
3. Finding an optimal schedule.

The optimal cluster head is elected using the following equations

The identification of cluster head contains two phases

Identification of Cluster Head Nodes

Repeat

1. Repeat the following for $i = 1$ to n nodes in the network
 2. For each node V_j $j= 1$ to n where i not equal to j in the network
 3. Find a set of all nodes in the network that can aggregate data to a node V_i in a time slot t_k . Call Find(V_i, V_j)
 4. Let $T(V_i)$ represents the total number of nodes that can aggregate data to V_i
 5. Constructing a schedule with a list of neighbors' of ConcHeads.
 6. Find a node that has maximum in degree that is $T(V_x)$, Call it the cluster head for slot k
 7. Increment k by 1
- until network contains at least two nodes

To find a set of all nodes in the network that can aggregate data to a node V_i in a time slot t_k . Find(Head, Node)

1. V is the set of n ubiquitous nodes and each node can send and receive data in the maximum range c_{max} where the transmission power of a node is always $\leq c_{max}$,
2. Let V_j denote a node that can transmit concurrently with node V_i as the head. For a successful transmission the SINR perceived at the receiver should be greater than or equal to β i.e.

$$\frac{P_s / d_s^\alpha}{N_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{conc} P_r / d_j^\alpha} \geq \beta \rightarrow 1$$

3. Let P_s and P_r denote the transmission powers of sender and receiver nodes respectively. d_a is the distance between sender and receiver nodes and d_j is the distance between a concurrent transmitter and the receiver. α is the path loss ratio, which has a typical value between 2 and 3. N_0 is the ambient noise.

4. β is the threshold for a successful transmission. The transmission becomes successful iff the SINR perceived at the receiver is greater than or equal to a threshold value β .

5. Generally the radio communication in the terahertz band is affected by the chemical compositions of the channel in two different ways [13].

1. The radio signal is attenuated because molecules in the channel absorb energy in certain frequency bands.

2. This absorbed energy is re-radiated by the molecules and create noise in the channel.

Our proposed model considers these two effects [13].

Let the radio channel is a medium consisting of N different chemical species $S_1, S_2 \dots S_N$.

Let the effect of each chemical species S_i on the radio signal is characterized by its molecular absorption coefficient $K_i(f)$ at frequency f .

Let m_i be the mole fraction of chemical species S_i in the medium.

The medium absorption coefficient $K(f)$ at frequency f determines the attenuation and the molecular absorption noise in the radio channel for different molecules in different frequencies ie

$$K(f) = \sum_{i=1}^N m_i K_i(f) \rightarrow 2$$

And is obtained from the weighted sum of the molecular absorption coefficients in the medium:

Hence the total attenuation, i.e. attenuation due to spreading and attenuation due to molecular absorption, at frequency f and a distance d from the transmitter is given by [11]:

$$A(f, d) = \left(\frac{4\pi f d}{c} \right)^2 \times e^{(K(f) \times d)} \rightarrow 3$$

where c is the speed of light in the vacuum.

The power spectral density (PSD) of the received signal $P_r(f, d)$ [11] at frequency f and distance d is:

$$P_r(f, d) = \frac{U(f)}{A(f, d)} \rightarrow 4$$

where $U(f)$ [11] is the PSD of the transmitted signal at frequency f . The average received energy at distance d is:

$$E_r(d) = \int_B P_r(f, d) T_p df \rightarrow 5$$

where T_p is the duration of the transmitted pulse in second and B is the bandwidth.

And Equation 1 is modified as

$$SINR(t, f, d) = \frac{U(t, f)}{A(t, f, d) N_{abs}(t, f, d)}$$

Where

N_{abs} is the molecular absorption noise is due to the re radiation of absorbed radiation by the molecules and it is given by is due to

$$N_{abs}(t, f, d) = k_B T_0 (1 - \exp(-K(t, f) * d))$$

The Noise factor is calculated using the equations 1 to 7. Every node tunes itself to an optimal power , in such a way that the SINR perceived at the receiver should be greater than or equal to β .

End

Finding an optimal schedule.

Various methods are used to solve multi objective optimization problems, such as the method of objective weighting or min/max formulation [14] , to merge multiple objectives into one objective so that the resulting solution depends mainly on the weight vector assigned to each objective [14]. We would like to use a GA to optimize the number of clusters and sensor connections for an arbitrary network. Once cluster-heads are selected, each regular node connects to its nearest cluster-head. Each node in a network is either a cluster-head or a “member“ of a cluster-head. Each regular node can only belong to one cluster-head. Each cluster-head collects data from all sensors within its cluster and each head directly sends the collected data to the sink. Therefore, GA is used to determine optimal number of CHs and their locations by minimizing the following objective function F(X)[17]:

$$F(X) = w \left(\frac{E_{disp}}{E_{live}} \right) + (1-w) \left(\frac{L}{N_{live}} \right) \rightarrow 6$$

Where E_{live} is the total energy for all live nodes in sensor field. It is described by

$$E_{live} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{live}} E_o(j) = N_{live} E_o \rightarrow 7$$

And E_{disp} is the total dissipated energy of all live nodes in the sensor field.

Inorder to select the optimal node as a cluster head the genetic algorithm is applied.

Initially the sensor network is assumed to be a set of N nodes and with all the edges E.

As in [17] initialize by defining the parameters of the energy model and repeat the following steps until the stopping criteria is met..

Cluster Heads are elected as follows

1. Apply Genetic algorithm by setting P_s initial bits binary chromosome
2. Calculate the objective function for all Chromosomes
3. Find the data aggregation schedules using the equations 1 to 5 and find the optimal schedule for it using the equations 1 to 7.
4. Find the best chromosomes based on the fitness function $1/F(x)$ and using roulette wheel selection algorithm using equations 6-7
5. From each pair of parent chromosomes apply crossover operation based on the rate of crossover
6. Apply mutation to all genes of each child based on the probability of the mutation rate
7. Calculate the objective function for the new chromosomes
8. Select the best chromosome and let the children be the parents for the next generation population pool

5. Results

We assumed 100 homogenous nodes with initial energy of 0.5J scattered randomly within a $100 \times 100 \text{ m}^2$ sensor field. The BS was positioned at point (50,300) m and the packets sent were 2000 bit plus 50 bit control packets. The GA parameters are set as $P_s =$

50 and $p_m = 0.11$ and $p_c = 0.7$ weighting factor w is 0.95 and maximum number of generation is 150. In [17] the first node died after 1184 rounds and all nodes died after 1592 rounds. The number of selected CHs in each round changes from 1 to 5. The proposed protocol slightly outperforms [17] like the first node died after 1294 rounds and all nodes died after 1704 rounds.

6. Conclusions

The proposed method considers optimization model for minimizing energy consumption in WSN. Our model uses a objective function optimization and a GA method. In our model we take into account the communication energy consumption for both transmitter and receiver and the noise produced by the concurrent transmitters. We considered that the radio signal is attenuated because molecules in the channel absorb energy in certain frequency bands and this absorbed energy is re-radiated by the molecules and create noise in the channel. By considering the above principle in finding the number of concurrent transmitters simultaneously applying the GA we increased the network lifetime.

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