



DIVERSITY BASED INTERNET ACCESS IN VEHICULAR NETWORK

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Abstract - Demand for Internet access from moving vehicles has been rapidly growing. Meanwhile, the overloading issue of cellular networks is escalating due to mobile data explosion. Thus, WiFi networks are considered as a promising technology to cellular networks. However, there pose many challenging problems in highly dynamic vehicular environments for WiFi networks. For example, connections can be easily disrupted by frequent handoffs between access points (APs). A scheme, called DIVERSITY, is proposed to support seamless and WiFi-based Internet access from moving vehicles. In uplink, DIVERSITY operates in a “group unicast” manner. All APs are with the same MAC and IP addresses, so that packets sent from a client can be received by multiple APs within its transmission range. Unlike broadcast or monitor mode, group unicast exploits the diversity of multiple APs, while keeping all the advantages of unicast. To avoid possible collisions of ACKs from different APs, the conventional ACK decoding mechanism is enhanced with an ACK detection function. In downlink, a packet destined for a client is pushed to a group of APs through multicast. This AP group is maintained dynamically to follow the moving client. The packet is then fetched by the client. With the above innovative design, DIVERSITY achieves seamless roaming with reliable link, high throughput, and low packet loss. Testbed implementation and experiments are conducted to validate the effectiveness of the ACK detection function. Extensive simulations are carried out to evaluate the performance of DIVERSITY. Experimental results show that DIVERSITY outperforms existing schemes remarkably.

Keywords –ACK detection, Internet access, vehicle, WiFi.

I. INTRODUCTION

With the penetration of portable smart devices, the demand for Internet access from moving vehicles has grown sharply in recent years. An increasing number of commuters and passengers prefer accessing the Internet using their smart phones or tablet computers while traveling, such as browsing the web, dealing with E-mails, making VoIP calls, watching videos. Due to the explosive growth of the subscriber number and the mobile data, cellular networks are suffering overload, and the users are experiencing service quality degradation. WiFi, based on IEEE 802.11, is another technology to provide wireless connectivity. It has undergone rapid development and has entered a new period of prosperity. To date, WiFi hotspots are deployed widely and densely in many cities, and the trend continues [2]. Compared with cellular networks, WiFi has obvious advantages: lower cost and higher peak throughput.

In this paper, it mainly focus on preserving the privacy of individual information from unauthorized user. Here, individual information refers as microdata that contain Name, Age, Gender, Zipcode, Address, and Salary. Anonymization is the process that removes identifiers such as Name, Address, Social Security number which is publicly available data such as Voter Registration data. After removing the identifiers, it classify the table as Sensitive attributes (Medical condition, Salary) and Non-Sensitive attributes (Age, Zipcode, Nationality). Anonymization is performed to hide the sensitive information of a respondent. The attribute values in data stream tuples can be generalized to satisfy given privacy requirements. Generalization of relational data attributes introduces imprecision bound for the query results. This imprecision bound can be used to reduce delay in publishing of stream data.

The advantages of DIVERSITY are summarized below:



- 1) By exploiting the AP diversity and opportunistic transmission, the link reliability is enhanced, and packet loss is reduced.
- 2) An ACK detection function is designed to eliminate the adverse effect of multiple ACKs. This function ensures that ACK-based rate control mechanisms can be adopted in DIVERSITY to improve the efficiency of the channel utilization.
- 3) By all APs with the same setting, both layer-2 and layer-3 handoffs of the mobile client are eliminated, and seamless roaming within the coverage of the entire network is achieved.
- 4) The two-stage packet delivery in downlink communications dramatically increases the probability of transmissions.

A. Related Works

The related work can be into three categories. The differences between our solution and the representative schemes in each category are explained below. Internet access from moving vehicles. With a rapid growth of demand for Internet access from moving vehicles, researchers come up with a number of solutions based on the cellular networks or the WiFi networks. MAR [4] is a cellular based solution, while MobTorrent and jointly consider cellular networks and WiFi networks by utilizing their complementary functions. Measurement studies of WiFi connectivity in the vehicular environments can be found in. Drive-thru Internet [9] and Cabernet [10] are designed to maximize the transmission opportunity and link utilization in a network with sparse AP deployment and intermittent connectivity. Several literatures propose particular methods for uploading [11] or downloading has been released to support wireless access in vehicular networks, and many studies are based on this standard, e.g., .The major difference between the above references and our work is that DIVERSITY takes advantage of AP diversity to overcome the issue of unreliable links and unstable connections. AP diversity. The association scheme in the WiFi context is i.e., a client is associated with a certain AP at any time. The consequence of this limitation is that, if the associated AP of the client receives a packet with errors, the transmission fails even if a neighboring AP overhears the packet successfully. In order to from the broadcast nature of the wireless links, a number of works exploit AP diversity to improve system performance.

In our proposed DIVERSITY, the AP diversity is achieved in the same way as [16]. To avoid performance degradation caused by possible collision of ACKs from different APs, the ACK decoding at the client side is enhanced with an ACK detection function. Therefore, ACK-based rate control mechanisms can be easily applied to improve wireless channel utilization. The transmission succeeds if at least one AP receives the packet correctly.

B. Contributions

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II. SYSTEM MODEL

In this model, a system is completely covered by open WiFi access points (APs), and coverage of each AP may overlap with others. Each AP is equipped with two interfaces; one is for client access based on WiFi, while the other uses wired or wireless medium to form a backhaul. Hence, the backhaul can be either a local area network (LAN) or a wireless mesh network. The backhaul connects to the Internet through a gateway. It is assumed that both bandwidth and reliability of backhaul links are higher than that of access links, and packet loss in backhaul is negligible. Moreover, only the between clients and the Internet is taken into account in this paper. When APs have established routing paths to the gateway, the backhaul is organized into a tree topology with the gateway as the root and APs as leaves. In [8], the researchers conduct a large number of measurements in



real vehicular environments, and the following experimental observations are revealed:

- 1) Gray-zone behavior (i.e., intermediate packet loss rate) is a dominating phenomenon;
- 2) Temporal correlation is weak;
- 3) Spatial correlation is weak;
- 4) Incoming and outgoing links exhibit a strong symmetric correlation.

These issues are properly addressed by DIVERSITY. Since packet loss is severe in vehicular environments, APhash function maps a MAC address to a class A private IP address in the form of 10.A.B.C. The default gateway on the client is set to the IP address of the virtual AP. When the client transmits a packet to the virtual AP, actually multiple APs within its transmission range are able to receive the packet. Owing to weak temporal and spatial correlation, the receptions of different APs can be viewed to be independent. When an AP misses a packet, its neighbor AP may receive it. As long as the packet is received by one AP, it can be forwarded to the Internet, and thus the successful transmission probability increases. To avoid performance degradation caused by possible collision of ACKs from different APs, the ACK decoding at the client side is enhanced with an ACK detection function.

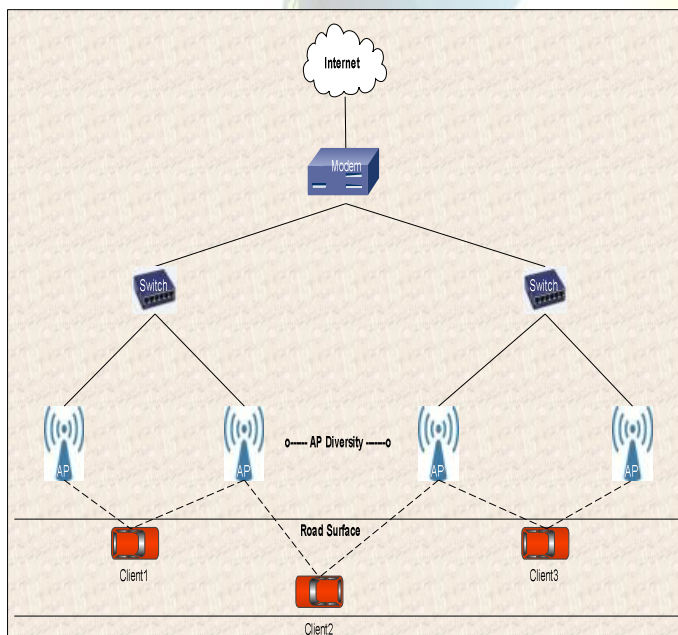


Fig 1. System Architecture

A. Initialize Virtual AP

Configuring all the APs with the same MAC and IP addresses with such a configuration, a client gets a graceful

illusion that only one (“virtual”) AP exists, and will always be associated with this “virtual” AP. A group of APs are employed to communicate with a client (called “AP diversity”). Both IP-layer and MAC-layer handoff are eliminated. Hence, connection disruptions caused by the handoffs and re-associations are avoided.

B. Client Joining

When the client intends to join the network, it is associated with this virtual AP, and requests an IP address through DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol). Christo Ananth et al. [5] discussed about Reconstruction of Objects with VSN. By this object reconstruction with feature distribution scheme, efficient processing has to be done on the images received from nodes to reconstruct the image and respond to user query. Object matching methods form the foundation of many state-of-the-art algorithms. Therefore, this feature distribution scheme can be directly applied to several state-of-the-art matching methods with little or no adaptation. The future challenge lies in mapping state-of-the-art matching and reconstruction methods to such a distributed framework. The reconstructed scenes can be converted into a video file format to be displayed as a video, when the user submits the query. This work can be brought into real time by implementing the code on the server side/mobile phone and communicate with several nodes to collect images/objects. This work can be tested in real time with user query results.

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C. Uplink communication

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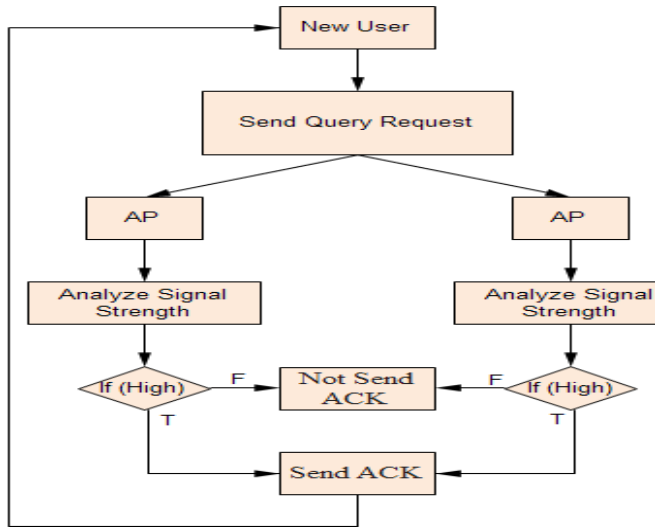


Fig 2. ACK Detection Scheme

3.2) Transmission Redundancy

A packet can be received by multiple APs. If all copies of the same packet are forwarded to the gateway, extra overhead is introduced to the backhaul. An intermediate node in the backhaul network receives a packet that has been forwarded, it simply drops the duplicated packet. To determine whether a packet has been delivered before, a few fields of the packet are checked to identify the packet. When a node transmits a packet to its upper-layer node, other nodes in the same subnet can overhear the packet as well.

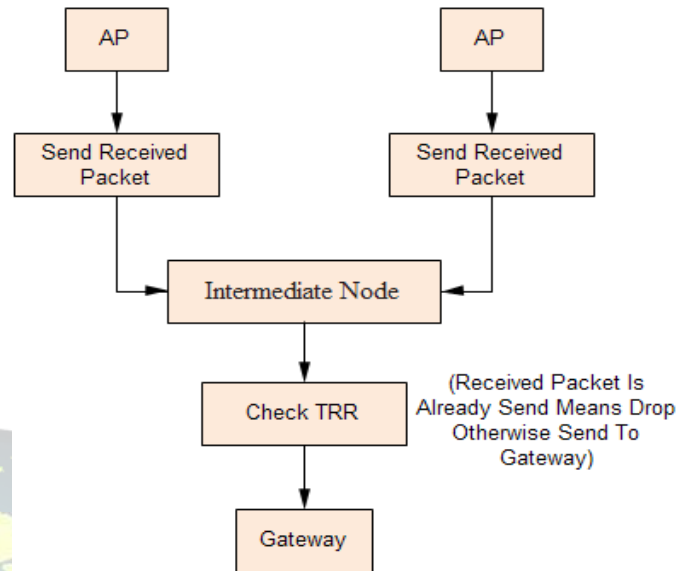


Fig 3. Transmission Redundancy

D. Downlink Communication

The downlink communication is divided into two stages. In the first stage, packets destined for a client are delivered to a group of APs through multicast. This AP multicast group is maintained dynamically to follow the moving client. In the second stage, the client periodically sends downlink packet requests (DPRs) to fetch its packets buffered in the AP group. The two-stage strategy significantly reduces unnecessary transmissions when channel condition is poor, and dramatically improves the downlink transmission efficiency.

III. CONCLUSION

Now a day, WIFI hotspots are deployed widely and densely in many cities and the trend continues. Compared with cellular networks, WIFI has obvious advantages: lower cost and higher peak throughput. Thus, WIFI is considered as a suitable solution for cellular traffic offloading. However, it is still challenging to provide WIFI -based Internet access for users in moving vehicles. The above problems solve our proposed AP DIVERSITY concept. The two-stage strategy significantly reduces unnecessary transmissions when channel condition is poor, and dramatically improves the downlink transmission efficiency. To support seamless and efficient

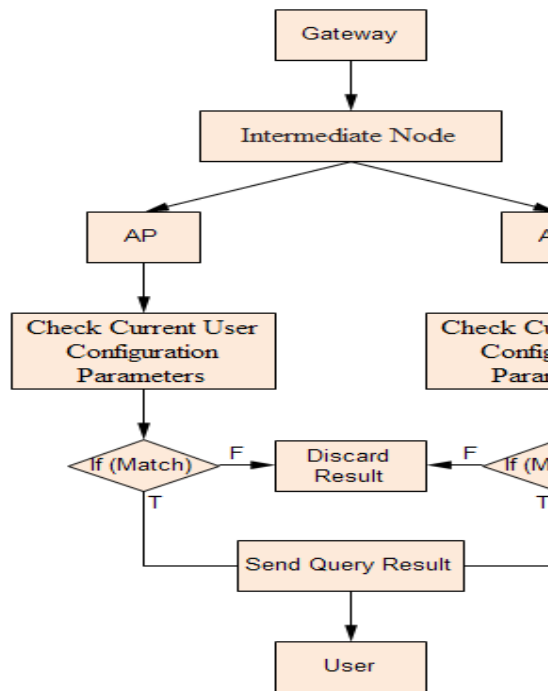


Fig.4 Downlink Communication

WIFI-based Internet access for moving vehicles. It consists of innovative protocols in both uplink and downlink. Seamless roaming of clients was gracefully achieved, while channel utilization efficiency was dramatically improved. Will prove diversity is high performance of compared to existing system.

IV. FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

In future work, DHCP provide network configuration details to new user but DHCP not consider this same configuration is used to any other user or not. It is create a problem of one user's data reached to another user. In this problem rectify our feature work using Bloom filter algorithm. A Bloom filter is a space-efficient probabilistic data structure. That is used to test whether an element is a member of a set. False Positive matches are possible, but false negatives are not, thus a Bloom filter has a 100% recall rate. In other words, a query returns either "possibly in set" or "definitely not in set". Elements can be added to the set, but not removed (though this can be addressed with a "counting" filter). The

more elements that are added to the set, the larger the probability of false positives.

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