



Collaborative Spectrum Sensing using Cognitive Adaptive MAC Protocol for CRN

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Abstract: The high energy efficiency for cognitive sensor network (CSN) has been widely studied for supporting various applications in military and civil fields. By identifying time fraction, local detection threshold, and the number of cognitive sensors, we discuss some design considerations for a cluster-based collaborative spectrum sensing scheme. We formulate the optimization problem to maximize energy efficiency of CSN under a collision constraint and false alarm probability constraint. In order to overcome the problem of finding the optimal detection threshold when k-out-of-M fusion rule is used by the sink node (SN), we design a fictitious cognitive sensor (FCS), which has the same sensing performance as SN. The process for finding the optimal local detection threshold can be converted into the process for searching an optimal received SNR of FCS. Theoretical analysis shows that there exists a unique time fraction to maximize the energy efficiency. Finally our theoretical analysis is verified through numeric simulations. The above process is simulated in Network Simulator version 2 (NS 2).

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I. INTRODUCTION

One of the typical application scenarios for a CSN is to monitor the spectrum usage state of wireless devices at a specific time and/or in a specific area. In order to improve spectral efficiency, CSs are permitted to access the idle licensed frequency bands without causing any harmful interference to primary users (PUs). Because of a deep fading and shadowing effects, collaborative negative spectrum sensing is often used to enhance sensing performance at cost of increased overhead traffic, energy consumption, and computational complexity. Energy efficiency, which is defined as the average throughput per Joule of energy, is an important metric to measure the network performance. Research on the collaborative spectrum sensing under energy constrained have become important topics for future wireless communication networks. Some recent works

studies have focused on optimizing the sensing parameters for achieving the better sensing performance. Sensing duration, transmission power. In this letter, we formulate the optimization problem to maximize energy efficiency of CSN under the collision constraint and false alarm probability constraint. In order to improve practicality of our proposed scheme in the actual application, we consider the case that the received power levels of CSs are different. By constructing a FCS, we convert the process for finding the optimal local detection threshold into the process for searching an optimal received SNR of FCS.

II. SYSTEM MODEL

We consider a centralized CSN that consists of one secondary SN and N homogeneous CSs, which are randomly located around a primary network with a licensed frequency band. In order to avoid blocking the



normal communications of the CSs, the sensing, reporting, and transmission cannot occur simultaneously. The CSs are assumed to face the similar electromagnetic environment and operate in a time-slotted fashion. The CSs are grouped into a cluster based on their received power levels. The SN broadcasts the clustering result to all CSs through the control channel only once in the first slot. When the location, quantity, or monitoring frequency band of the CSs change, the CSs will be grouped into a new cluster.

A constant time slot duration T consists of the sensing duration T_s , reporting duration T_r and transmission duration T_a . The α is defined as the time fraction for sensing (referred as the ratio of sensing duration to $T - T_r$). Let $T_d = T - T_r$, $T_s = \alpha T_d$, $T_a = (1 - \alpha) T_d$ and $T = T_s + ntr + T_a$, where $T_r = ntr$, tr is the reporting duration by each CS and n ($1 \leq n \leq N$) is the number of the clustered CSs. The selected CSs report the binary decisions on the activity of the PU to SN, which makes the final decision by using the “k-out-of-M” fusion rule and broadcasts the decision results to the CSs that need to access the licensed frequency band. If the sampling frequency is f_s and energy detector is adopted by each CS to calculate the energy measurement over the sensing duration. The PU’s transmitted signal is assumed to be an independent and identically distributed (i.i.d) random process with zero mean and variance $\sigma^2 x$. The noise is assumed to be a real-valued Gaussian variable with zero mean and variance $\sigma^2 n$. Denote π_0 to be the probability that the licensed frequency band is idle and π_1 to be probability that the licensed frequency band is occupied by PU. $\pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1$, π_0 and π_1 are known to CSs based on the long-term measurements. The received signal power of the i -th ($i = 1, 2, \dots, N$) CS is $\sigma^2 x_i = |h_i|^2 \sigma^2 x$, where h_i is the i -th CS channel gain from PU’s transmitter to CS’s transmitter. Then the received SNR at i -th CS’s transmitter can be expressed as $\gamma_i = \sigma^2 x_i / \sigma^2 n$.

III. PROBLEM FORMULATION

Define P_s , P_r , P_t as the power (Watt) consumed by each CS in sensing, reporting and transmission respectively. The average energy consumed by each CS within one time slot is expressed as $E_{av}(\alpha, \xi, n) = P_s \alpha T_d + P_r tr + P_t (1 - \alpha) T_d * (1 - \pi_1 Q_d - \pi_0 Q_f)$. The energy efficiency $\eta(\alpha, \xi, n) = R(\alpha, \xi, n) / E_{av}(\alpha, \xi, n)$, where the average throughput of the CSN can be defined as $R(\alpha, \xi, n) = (1 - \alpha) T_d / T * C_0 (1 - Q) \pi_0$. C_0 is the volume of data transmission during the duration

T_a . Our goal is to find α , ξ , and n such that the energy efficiency of the CSN is maximized under the collision and false alarm probability constraints. This optimization problem can be expressed.

IV. SOLUTIONS OF THE FORMULATED PROBLEM

1: Initialize:

2: For each

$S_{i,j} \in S_i, 1 \leq j \leq |S_i|, a_{i,k} \in A_i, 1 \leq k \leq |A_i|$ do

3: Initialize the Q-value representation mechanism $Q_i(S_{i,j}, a_{i,k})$

4: end for

5: Evaluate the starting state

$s = S_{i,j} \in S_i, 1 \leq j \leq |S_i|$

6: Learning:

7: Loop

8: Generate a random number

$r \in u[0,1]$

9: if ($r < \epsilon$) then

10: Select action randomly

11: else

12: Select the action

$a_{i,m} \in A_i$ characterized by the min (Q-value)

13: end if

14: Execute $a_{i,m}$

15: Receive an immediate capacity $C_{LAA,i}$ and cost C_i

16: Observe the next state

$S_{i,l} \in S_i, 1 \leq l \leq |S_i|$

17: Update the Q-table entry as follows:



18:

$$Q_i(S_{i,j}, a_{i,k}) \leftarrow (1 - \alpha)Q_i(S_{i,j}, a_{i,k})$$

 19: $S = S_{i,l}$
 20: end

Find one energy efficiency among N different values and its corresponding pair.

V. SIMULATION

The above theoretical analysis is verified and shown through numerical simulations in this section. Fig. 1 demonstrates the maximum energy consumption and the corresponding throughput R against n for different nodes. From Fig. 1, one can see that there exists an optimal n^* such that the maximum energy efficiency can be achieved. Energy efficiency increases as n when n is small. When the n continues to increase above a certain value, more CSs participate in sensing and less time can be allocated to transmit data, then it will lead to the decreasing of energy efficiency. Fig. 2 plots the effects the packet. of packet loss vs Time. It is the Communication is the difference between generated and received packet. Fig. 3 plots the effect of Throughput vs Time. It is the number of successfully received packets in a unit time and it is represented in bps. Fig. 4 plots the effect of end to end delay vs Time. It is the difference between at which the sender generated the packet at which the receiver the receives

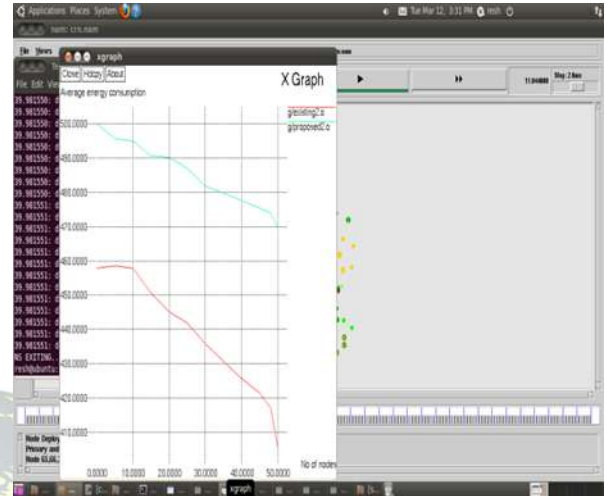


Fig.1

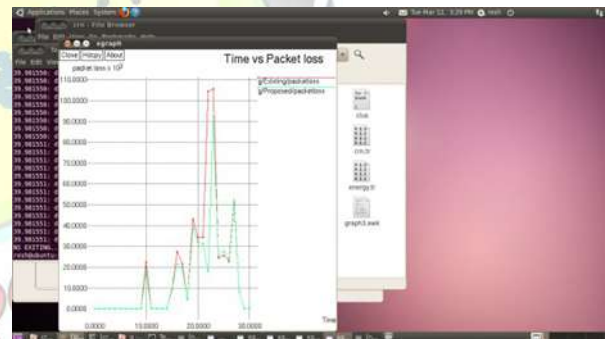


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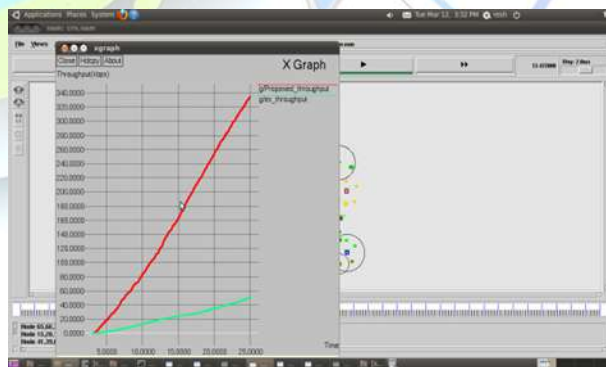


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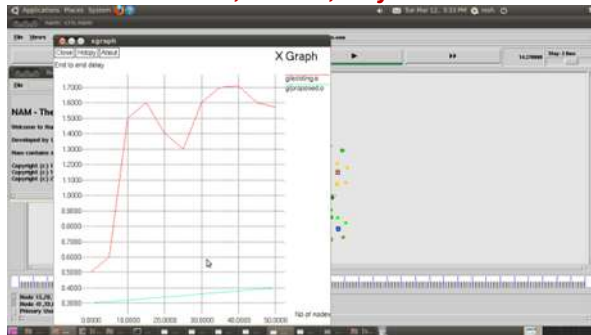


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VI. CONCLUSION

In this Project CR has been realized to benefit the potential advantage of efficient spectrum utilization. This Project used a cluster based collaborative spectrum sensing with cooperative adhoc medium access protocol for spectrum sensing and efficient data transmission between secondary users. The Spectrum Sensing result is made by **K-out of M Rule**. Energy efficient spectrum sensing is achieved by designing a new MAC protocol for CRSNs, which incorporates the dynamic spectrum access feature to provide opportunistic transmission while addressing the issue of power limitation of sensor nodes.

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