A Novel QB Leach Based Heterogeneous Wireless Sensor Network Using IOT


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Abstract: Heterogeneous wireless networks (HWNs) provide flexible and diversified wireless network access by integrating cellular networks, wireless LANs, and ad hoc networks with the Internet. Heterogeneous wireless sensor network is a network connecting different applications and protocols. The smart sensor nodes are used in applications like medical health care systems, industrial monitoring, environmental/earth sensing, air pollution monitoring etc. But these nodes are energy constraint devices. Efficient clustering and appropriate cluster head selection schemes are necessary to improve energy saving of sensor nodes. In this paper, dynamic cluster head selection method (DCHSM) is used where CHs are selected in two phases and network coding algorithm is implemented. Initially, QB-LEACH based clustering is used to divide the monitoring area in polygonal shaped clusters. Then, CH election is performed in two phases. First class of CH is elected based on perceived probability and the second class is elected on the based on the residual energy estimation. Energy consumption is reduced using this algorithm. Simulation analysis show that dynamic cluster head selection method outperforms the conventional methods in terms of network lifetime.

Keywords: Base Station (BS), Cluster Head (CH), Dynamic Cluster Head Selection Method (DCHSM), Internet of Things (IOT), Voronoi Diagram, Wireless Sensor Network (WSN).

I. BACKGROUND

For applications from personal electronics to industrial electronics, IOT is the rapidly growing technology, where sensors are connected wirelessly to internet. IOT connects the world with sensing, actuation, networking and cloud computing [1–3]. The idea of smart world is the outcome of integration of the world with internet. IOT finds application in smart home, smart city, smart automobiles, connected health, connected car, smart grids, industrial internet etc. The Cluster of IOT is WSN. WSN acts as the dominant infrastructure for sensing, networking and routing [4–6].

Low power and low cost sensor nodes are to be developed for applications in health care monitoring, industrial monitoring, intelligent buildings, military services, wildlife monitoring, wildfire monitoring, and intelligent transportation systems etc. Sizable senor nodes positioned randomly in the monitoring area are webbed together using WSNs. Irrespective of the tough environment, the sensor nodes are responsible to sense the monitoring area. The large scale information gathered by sizable number of sensor nodes are processed and finds application in the field of IOT. Hence, WSN plays as the Cluster of IOT.

The sensor nodes tracks the monitoring area heedfully and they are self-organized. For accurate measurements, the nodes should work error free throughout. Batteries are the only source to supply energy to sensor nodes. Sensor nodes spent most of the energy while transmitting and receiving sizable information. Due to the dense condition of environment in which the nodes are deployed, it is difficult to replace the batteries of sensor nodes. Inorder to improve the lifetime of WSN, it is most important to reduce energy consumption of individual sensor nodes thereby avoiding quick battery drain.

Technical committees conducted several researches on clustering techniques for energy saving in WSN [7]. Direct transmission consumes more power compared to clustering techniques, since every sensor node communicate directly with the BS. In clustering techniques, the node with the highest energy is elected as the CH of the respective cluster, communicate its information with the BS due to which unnecessary wastage of energy is eliminated to a large extend. The non CH members are responsible only to sense the environment and communicate with the respective CHs. The individual node energy is saved whenever the non CH members are inactive. The data transmission distance of other non CH members are reduced when CHs of the respective cluster alone are responsible to gather the information and send it to BS. Due to the clustering techniques the
energy consumption is saved thus improving the network lifetime. In order to improve energy consumption of sensor nodes, efficient clustering and proper cluster head selection techniques are required.

Both distributed and centralized clustering schemes play crucial role in energy saving in WSN. BS holds the prime position in the centralized technique. Base station initially collects the energy and location details of each node and utilize these information to form clusters, elect cluster head, and form the network. Although centralized clustering improves efficiency of network in terms of energy saving, it fails to improve efficiency for large scale network. This is because the BS alone finds it difficult to manage the activities of the many number of sensor nodes deployed in the monitoring area. In distributed clustering technique, the sensor nodes self-organized and these sensor nodes are responsible to form clusters, based on the residual energy cluster head is elected and thus network formation is done and network efficiency is improved in terms of scalability [8].

Researchers are aiming towards improved energy saving in WSNs. Distributed clustering technique is utilized to implement Low energy adaptive clustering hierarchy (LEACH) algorithm. In LEACH algorithm, CH nodes are elected based on the residual energy [9]. Non CH members monitor the environment and communicate the information it gathered with the CH. CH then process the information and communicate it with the BS. Furthermore the algorithm uses the concept of CH rotation to stabilize the network traffic among all nodes in the network thereby improving the lifetime of the sensor Nodes. The algorithm include two phases namely, set up phase and steady state phase. During set up phase, CH is elected and clusters are formed. Steady state phase includes transmission of information. A number is chosen in range of 0 and 1 randomly for each node. If the random number obtained for each node is less than its threshold value then it can hold the position of CH. Proper CH selection schemes are required, in order to improve energy saving of sensor nodes. A deterministic component is added to LEACH algorithm, which concentrate mainly on cluster head selection criteria to develop deterministic LEACH algorithm [10]. The deterministic component added to the threshold value improves energy depletion of sensor nodes by taking into account the residual energy of individual nodes.

Dynamic clustering gained importance since it balances the traffic load among various CHs. Dynamic clustering is an applicable solution for enormous scale of data collection in IOT applications [11]. Here periodic reordering of clusters attracts technical communities in improving the scalability and energy consumption in Wireless Sensor Networks.

A two phase clustering algorithm DCHSM is studied in this research work. Initially, polygonal shaped clusters are created using Voronoi diagram [12]. Then CH is elected in two stages. The first class of CH is selected based on the concept of perceived probability and the second class of CH is elected based on survival time estimation algorithm. The work is arranged as: System architecture and model is explained in Section II. Simulation analysis is specified in Section III following the conclusion in Section IV.

II. PROPOSED SYSTEM

Proposed System Architecture

The proposed routing protocol Quadrant based –Low Energy Adaptive Clustering Hierarchy incorporates three different techniques namely location based routing, restricted flooding and clustering concept. The network region is divided into four quadrants. Clusters are formed randomly within each of these quadrants and each cluster is assigned a cluster head based on the energy. Cluster head acts as a gateway to send the packets from source to destination. Using network coding algorithm, packets in the nodes are encoded using bitwise XOR at the source and decoded at their destination.

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The proposed system is divided into three phases: level assignment mechanism, 2 connected Cluster network formation and finally routing. In first phase, the fig2 represents the base station which assigns level to each sensor node in the network. In next phase, a 2-connected Cluster network is formed using CHs. In third phase, nodes forward their packets to the lower level nodes based on the weight function as detailed subsequently.

**Level Assignment Mechanism**
In this phase, we assign level (L) to every node in the network depending on its Distance from the base station. Initially, level of all the nodes is zero including the base station. The total distance between the last nodes from the base station called as the radius of the network. Then we are applying the weight to the nodes by using the distance from the base station. The nodes which are nearer to the base stations getting higher weight factor and nodes which are far from the base station getting lower weight factor. Then we are assigning the cluster head using the residual energy and based on the centroid approach, that is we are giving priority to the nodes which is nearer to the base station.

**Connected Cluster Network Formation**
In this phase, the Cluster network is formed with cluster heads in the network. Cluster range (CR) is used to provide Cluster connectivity. Cluster range is the range between the connected cluster heads. Here, the cluster heads in level L1 are directly connected to the BS. However, other CHs except nodes in L1 utilize their levels and cluster range for selecting next hop cluster heads.

**Weight Based Routing**
In this phase, routing is performed where cluster head in a level is only allowed to transmit the packet to a next hop node in next lower level based on a weight function W. Here, the weight function takes residual energy level and link distance into account. The weight function can be derived using the following properties,
Received Signal Strength Scheme

In the proposed approach, there are three steps to achieve the probabilistic prediction coefficient in order to estimate the link stability for reliable data delivery in the entire network. The three steps incorporated in the distributed approach for determining the link stability are:

- Estimation of neighborhood stability based on Energy
- Estimation of neighborhood stability based on link loss
- Manipulation of lifetime of mobile node

Network Reconfiguration Phase

Network reconfiguration is important to achieve balanced energy consumption and also to reduce the unnecessary networking overhead due to frequent re-clustering. In this procedure, the average residual energy of CHs is compared with Maximum Threshold MAXTH as well as Minimum Threshold MINTH value. It has three possible cases. These are:

- If the average residual energy of CHs is higher than MAXTH, same forwarder set is used for data forwarding and re-clustering flag is set to 0.
- If the average energy of CHs is between MAXTH and MINTH, then a new set of forwarder nodes is chosen from the existing cluster heads.
- If the average energy is less than MINTH, then the re-clustering process is done in order to select a new set of cluster heads and re-clustering flag is set to 1.

III. SIMULATIONS ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

In this section, we present simulation results on the network loss probabilities of our distributed optimal movement strategy under various setting of buffer sizes and the number of mobile agents as well as different data arrival patterns to the network. In particular, we here demonstrate its considerable performance improvement over the standard random walk strategy in which a random walk at the current node moves to any one of its destination nodes.

In all these simulations, we observe that the network loss probability under our Network coding Algorithm is about 2 times smaller than that of the Distributed optimal Movement Strategy. Note that the network loss probabilities for both the standard random walk strategy and network coding strategy tend to increase with a larger number of sensor nodes (n = 200), since the number of sensor nodes to be covered by a mobile collector itself increases. The amount of reduction in the network loss probability that we achieve from Network coding strategy (in comparison with the standard random walk strategy) is much greater than the existing one. For each arrival pattern (or each simulation figure), the data points are obtained by taking the average of the results under 30 different heterogeneous and spatially-correlated data arrival patterns. We expect that our reasoning behind the Network coding strategy can be applicable for the design of Markovian random walk-based applications sample topologies of each sensor nodes. In all these simulations, we observe that the network loss probability under our Network coding Algorithm is about 2 times smaller than that of the Distributed optimal Movement Strategy model. In all cases, our coding strategy is consistently better than the standard random walk strategy, and the ratio tends to decrease, implying that our strategy is increasingly more advantageous as the buffer size.

We adopt C language to write programs and NS2 to simulation. There are 50 nodes in the Wireless Sensor Network, deployed in the range 1000m x 1000m randomly. The main parameter settings are in the below table:

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<td>Sensor deployment area</td>
<td>1000m x 1000m</td>
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<tr>
<td>Number of nodes</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>Initial energy of node</td>
<td>100 J</td>
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<tr>
<td>Coordinates of base station</td>
<td>(300,720)</td>
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<td>Packet size</td>
<td>512kb</td>
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<td>Data rate</td>
<td>100kbps</td>
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<td>Transceiver energy</td>
<td>31.32 mJ</td>
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Fig 2 - Comparison of Energy efficiency

Represents the energy efficiency with respect to energy and time. The figure 2 is the comparison of energy consumption of two protocols. From the simulation, we can conclude that, the energy consumption of existing protocol is much higher than that of Network coding algorithm. At the time 9s, energy of all nodes in the network is used up in the existing work, however there is much residual energy in the improved algorithm, we consider the rest of the energy of nodes when choosing cluster heads improves the utilization of energy. From this assessment the utilization of energy is decreased in network coding process as shown in figure.

Fig 3 - Comparison of Delivery ratio

Fig 3 represents the delivery ratio with respect to time and no of data packets. From this assessment no of delivery packets is increased compared to the distributed optimal movement strategy.

Fig 4 - Comparison of Average signaling overhead

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Represents the average signaling overhead with respect to time and no of nodes. From the fig4, it is clear that in the running time, there overhead of the existing work is low when compared to proposed work, but whereas in the proposed network coding algorithm; the average signaling overhead of the nodes is relatively stable and maintained till the death of the last node. From this assessment signaling covered over the entire network is comparably high than the existing work.

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IV. CONCLUSION

In this effort, we have experimented the performance of DCHSM in WSN. Initially QB-LEACH based Clustering is used to obtain polygonal shaped clusters. CHs are selected in two different phases. Outcomes for 100 nodes when tested for 2000 iterations shows that DCHSM improves the residual energy in WSN by 5.70% compared to LEACH and 5.58% compared to Deterministic QB-LEACH. Hence DCHSM improves energy consumption thus increasing the network lifetime. The experiment is not tested for sizable nodes. Later, the same can be tested for sizable sensor nodes. Besides, simple energy models are used in the algorithm, which finds inappropriate for technical applications.

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