Lightweight QoE Driven and Invulnerability Guarantee Opportunistic Control Scheme for Wireless Sensor Networks

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Abstract—this paper proposed the lightweight QoE driven adaptive invulnerability wireless communication control method, including the wireless communication terminal equipment with invulnerability antenna. According to the quality of wireless network channel quality, the lightweight QoE driven scheme was developed. According to user needs, the quality of the network, survivability ability of wireless communication terminal and wireless communication survivability requirements, we proposed three matching rules by considering the wireless hop number, data size and life cycle. The experiments demonstrated that the proposed scheme can optimize wireless communication terminal equipment and wireless opportunistic communication network construction, guarantee the user experience quality and improve wireless communication network survivability.

Index Terms—Wireless sensor networks, Opportunistic Control, Lightweight QoE Driven, Invulnerability guarantee.

I. INTRODUCTION

Opportunistic network technology needs to take up a large number of resources and equipment of wireless terminals, especially the wireless signal transmission and reception module. At the same time, the wireless communication network topology has dynamic characteristics. User experience quality has time variability characteristic. How to seek optimal control scheme between network robustness, user requirements and dynamic changes of wireless networks is a key problem. The existing intelligent control method considered one or two optimization goals of QoE (Quality of Experience) guarantee [1], lifetime [2] [3] and QoS (Quality of Service) support. When considering the three goals at the same time, it is difficult to satisfy the user experience quality directly [4] [5], which leads to the consumption of a large number of resources in the wireless communication network.

How to improve the implementation efficiency of network based on the quality of user experience has been the key issue. Gómez G et al [6] proposed a novel architecture based on quality of experience (QoE) awareness for mobile operator networks. In article [7], the uncertainties of QoE model and playout time were considered jointly for resolving the inherent tension between the test and optimization. A mixed preemptive and non-preemptive resume priority (PRP/NPRP) M/G/1 queuing model was developed by Wu Y et.al [8] for modeling the spectrum usage behavior. A novel architecture was proposed by Lin K et.al [9] for guaranteeing 5G spectrum management based on the various requirements for QoE as the design objective. The self-optimisation video streaming use case was researched by Nightingale J et.al [10] for addressing the network management. The authors combined the monitoring and analysis components for facilitating the user-oriented, quality of experience (QoE) and energy-aware approach. However, Over QoE protection may reduce the life cycle. So we studied the strength of QoE protection.

About Invulnerability guarantee issue, Zhao D J et al [11] studied the invulnerability method of space information network based on the composition and characteristic of space information network, which includes three research levels from microcosmic to macrocosmic. Cheng Ju et.al [12] studied the opinion dynamics in social networks and present a new strategy to control the invasive opinion. Qin X H et.al [13] abstracted enterprise marketing network as complex network for improving the management level of enterprise marketing network. In article [14], the invulnerability problem of combined operations combat network was studied under repair. A key distribution scheme was researched by You L et.al [15] for WSN based on hash chains and deployment knowledge. However, the above researches ignored the relationship between Invulnerability guarantee and QoS support.

For improving the network efficiency, a new method for opportunistic power control was proposed by Javan M R et.al [16] in multi-carrier interference channels for delay-tolerant data services. An Opportunistic Access Scheme was discussed in article [17] through Distributed Interference Control for MIMO Cognitive Nodes. The impacts of cooperative communications were studied in article [18] on topology control in wireless ad hoc networks (WANETs) and the authors proposed a distributed cooperative topology control scheme with opportunistic IC. An automatic control framework was proposed by De S C F et.al [19] to address the problem of distributed and opportunistic transmission power control in wireless communication networks. According to the Energy Conservation requirements in Hybrid Cellular Network, the distributed power control was demonstrated in article [20] with device-to-device communication. The optimal design of channel-aware scheduling and power allocation was formulated in article [21], which could minimize the total power consumption and satisfy the control performance requirements.
In this paper, we analyze the opportunistic control scheme for wireless sensor networks, by considering the QoE driven scheme and invulnerability guarantee issue. We use analytical and simulation approaches to compare transmission delay, bit error rate, and lifetime of QoE driven alone and the proposed scheme with distance and channel quality. The results show that our proposed mechanism is capable of utilizing the network resource and achieve good invulnerability guarantee for wireless sensor networks.

II. LIGHTWEIGHT QOE DRIVEN SCHEME

In wireless sensor networks, we assume that the set NS is composed of n neighbor node of data sending node S. The state of wireless communication node is defined with distance d, antenna area TAS and frequency fOC. The antenna gain of S node is Gt. The work voltage of S node is Vm. The sending power of S node is Pt. The antenna gain of node in NS set is Gr. The remaining energy of node in NS set is ES. The work voltage of node in NS set is VS. The receiving power of node in NS set is Pr. The antenna signal angle between S node and node in NS set is w. According to formula (1), we can obtain the effective energy ratio µER of nodes in NS set. We also can calculate the effective voltage ratio µVR of nodes in NS set on formula (2) and the effective power ratio µPR of nodes in NS set based on formula (3).

\[ \mu_{ER} = \frac{P_G}{4\pi d^2 E_S} \]  
\[ \mu_{VR} = \frac{V_r}{V_S} \cos(\omega t + T_{AS} \pi) \]  
\[ \mu_{PR} = \frac{P}{P_S} G_r \left| f_{OC} \right|^2 \]  

According to formula (1), (2) and (3), the network quality could be evaluated. Figure 2 shows the influence of communication distance d on effective energy ratio µER. Figure 3 gives the influence of antenna area TAS on effective voltage µVR. Figure 4 shows the influence of working frequency fOC on effective power µPR.

From figure 2, we found that the effective energy µER would be increasing with the rising of SNR (Signal to Noise Ratio). When the distance between S node and nodes in NS set is bigger, the effective ratio µER would be also increasing. The higher the energy utilization rate the smaller the distance with the same network quality.

When the network quality is poorer, distance effect on energy utilization rate is low. When the network has good quality, short distance communication could improve energy utilization ratio. Here, the opportunity network has better anti-destroying ability. The above analysis shows that the optimal neighbor nodes should be selected to comprise the opportunistic network based on network quality.

From figure 3, the effective voltage would be increasing by improving the network quality. When the network quality reaches a certain value, the effective voltage would be stable. The effective voltage would be bigger with the increasing of antenna area. However, when the network quality is better, there is the small impact of antenna area on effective voltage with better network quality. So, we should consider the antenna area when we recombine the opportunistic network.

Figure 4 showed that the higher the working frequency, the smaller the effective power ratio when network quality is better. Therefore, we could improve the effective power and the invulnerability of the opportunistic network by adjusting the working frequency of the nodes.

In conclusion, the node selection scheme of opportunistic network based on the effective energy ratio µER, effective voltage ratio µVR and effective power ratio µPR is as follows.
Step 1: the effective energy, voltage and power of nodes in NS set could be calculated based on formula (1), (2) and (3).

Step 2: evaluation threshold of network quality could be obtained by formula (4).

\[ ET_{NO} = \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mu E_i (i) + \mu V_i (i) + \mu P_i (i)) \right) \]

Step 3: the average SNR\(_{avg}\) could be obtained by measurement. If SNR\(_{avg}\) is larger than ET\(_{NO}\), go to the step 4. Otherwise, go to the step 5.

Step 4: the nodes would be selected, effective energy ratio, voltage ratio and power ratio of which are larger than \( \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mu E_i (i)) \right) \), \( \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mu P_i (i)) \right) \) and \( \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mu V_i (i)) \right) \) respectively, to rebuild the opportunistic network nodes set NS\(_1\).

Step 5: the nodes would be selected, distance \( d \) of which is smaller than \( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{oc} \), antenna area of which is larger than \( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{oc} \), and working frequency of which is smaller than \( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{oc} \), to rebuild the opportunistic network nodes set NS\(_1\).

Step 6: send NS\(_1\) set to sending node S.

Assuming that channel quality of the receiving node U is SNRU and lightweight QoE driven weight is \( \alpha \). Let denote the tolerance factor of data different types of U. Quality of experience of users is defined with the bear delay DU, and tolerate data quantity DSU and the transmission time TDU, which could be obtained with formula (5), (6) and (7).

\[ DU = \frac{1}{TMU} \left( \frac{C_U - M_U}{\beta DM_U} \right) \]

\[ DSU = \frac{1}{TMU} \sqrt{TV_U C_U - DM_U^2} \]

\[ TDU = TMU \sqrt{\frac{C_U - M_U}{TV_U}} \]

Here, let \( C_U \) denote the computing ability of U and \( M_U \) denote storing ability of U. Let \( DM_U \) denote the displaying ability of U and \( TV_U \) denote wireless transmission port receiving rate of U. TMU is the user number. The above parameters could be got from U.

Above all, the algorithm process of lightweight QoE driven scheme is as follows.

1. The channel quality of U SNRU is obtained from measurement.

2. If SNRU is smaller than \( \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\mu E_i (i) + \mu V_i (i) + \mu P_i (i)) \right) \), \( \alpha \in (0.5, 1] \) and \( \beta \in [1, 1.5] \). Otherwise, \( \alpha \) is 0.5 and \( \beta \) is 1.5.

3. According to formula (5), (6) and (7), the value of DU, DSU and TUD could be obtained.

4. Send the parameters value of step (3) to sending node S.

III. INVULNERABILITY GUARANTEE OPPORTUNISTIC CONTROL SCHEME

Based on the nodes set NS\(_1\) from section 2, we designed the following three matching rules for satisfy the QoE driven and invulnerability requirements. These rules could optimize the opportunistic network, which is denoted by NS\(_1\).

Matching rule 1: Maximum hops and tolerate delay matching. That means \( HOP_{max} \times T_{HOP} = DU \). Here, let \( HOP_{max} \) denote the maximum hops. Let \( T_{HOP} \) denote the one hop delay. Sending power of each node of NS\(_F\) set must be larger than minimum power \( P_{min} \), which is given by formula (7).

\[ P_{min} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i}{P_{max} + P_{min}} \right|^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i \]

Here, \( P_{max} \) is the maximum power of nodes in NS\(_1\) set. \( P_{min} \) is the minimum power of nodes in NS\(_1\) set.

Matching rule 2: The smallest size and tolerance data matching. That means \( DS_{min} = DSU \). Here, \( DS_{min} \) is the minimum data scale of opportunistic network. The smallest data size of NS\(_F\) must be greater than or equal to the minimum required data amount of the user. The average transmission power \( P_{avg} \) and the average packet loss rate \( PER_{avg} \) have to satisfy the relationship as formula (8).

\[ P_{avg} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} DS_i (1 - PER_{avg})}{P_{min}^2 + P_{max}^2} \right| \]

\[ PER_{avg} = \frac{m}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{P_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i} \]

Here, \( DS_i \) is the sending data scale of i node in NS\(_F\). Let \( P_i \) denote the sending power of i node.

Matching rule 3: Minimum life cycle and tolerance transmission length matching. That means \( LC_{min} = T_{DU} \). Here, \( LC_{min} \) is the Minimum life cycle of opportunistic. The average energy \( E_{avg} \) and working voltage \( V_{net} \) have to satisfy the relationship as formula (9).

\[ E_{net} = \frac{\sum E_i}{2\pi d^2 G_U} \]

\[ V_{net} = \frac{V}{\sqrt{G_U \cos(\alpha t + TA \cdot 2\pi)}} \]

Here, let \( E_i \) denote the energy of i node.

According to the above matching rules, we improve the opportunistic network NS\(_1\) set based on the following steps.
Step 1. Computing the maximum hops of NS₁ set. If the hop number matches the rule 1 NS₂=NS₁, go to step 5. Otherwise, NS₁ would be improved according to formula (7). We will obtain the optimized NS₂ set.

Step 2. Computing the minimum data scale of NS₂. If the data scale matches the rule 2 NS₂=NS₁, Otherwise, NS₂ would be improved according to formula (8). We will obtain the optimized NS₃ set.

Step 3. Computing the minimum life cycle of NS₃. If the life cycle matches the rule 3 NS₃=NS₁, Otherwise, NS₃ would be improved according to formula (9). We will obtain the optimized NS₄ set.

Step 4. NS₄=NS₁

Step 5. Sending the NS₄ to the sending node S.

For implementing the three matching rules, we designed the antenna pair with invulnerability as shown in figure 4 and 5. The antenna pair of figure 4 would be deployed in S. The antenna pair of figure 5 would be deployed in nodes of opportunistic network. Figure 6 demonstrate the invulnerability opportunistic coupling way for supporting the above request-response antenna.

In figure 4, end a and b are the opportunistic coupling ports, which are used to receiving the feedback signal from neighbor nodes or users. End c is the internal components for enhancing the antenna information. End d is the internal components for enhancing the invulnerability. Port is the serial port or wireless module, which is used to connected with the servers. The proposed opportunistic scheme algorithm is stored in EEPROM. MCU is the micro controller, which is used to control the working sequence and task assignment of the antennas.

In figure 5, port is used to obtain the equipment electrical property parameters from opportunistic network. EEPROM is used to store the opportunistic control algorithm. Component d, e and f are the invulnerability guarantee parts, which could amplify the signal and coupling modulation. End h and l are the antenna pair ends, which could couple modulate with end a and b in figure 4. In figure 6, there is the opportunistic coupling equivalent circuit between sending node and node in opportunistic network.

Based on the research results of section 2 and this section, we propose the opportunistic control scheme with lightweight QoE driven and invulnerability guarantee, as shown in figure 7.

IV. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

In this section, we designed the experiment for evaluating and analyzing the QoS and QoE guarantee ability, as well as invulnerability guarantee of the proposed scheme denoted as LQIOC (Lightweight QoE driven and Invulnerability guarantee Opportunistic Control scheme) with different distance and channel quality. We also compare the above performance with QoE alone scheme. The parameters of experiment are given by Table 1. The parameter metrics are transmission delay, lifetime and bit error rate.

Figure 8 gives the performance comparison results of QoE alone scheme and proposed LQIOC as terms of real time, reliability and lifetime. We found that the performance of LQIOC is superior to the QoE alone. About short distance communication, the proposed scheme can reduce bit error rate and prolong the network life cycle by

| TABLE I. PARAMETER SETTINGS |
|-----------------------------|
| Parameters                  | Value                     |
| Packet size                 | 1024 bytes                |
| Antenna gain of S           | [2, 10] dpi, step is 1    |
| Antenna gain of nodes       | 8dpi                      |
| Node number                 | 50                        |
| Voltage of nodes            | 12V±2                     |
| Frequency                   | 2.4GHz                    |
| Distance                    | [0, 100]m, step is 10m    |
| MAC protocol                | IEEE 802.15.4             |
| Antenna type                | Plate antenna             |
| MCU                         | STC89C52RC                |
| User application space      | 8 K bytes                 |
| On chip RAM                 | 512 K bytes               |
using the invulnerability of antenna array. About long-distance communication, the proposed scheme can not only reduce the transmission delay, but also smooth the data jitter through the opportunity control. In addition, the sensitivity of the proposed scheme is significantly lower than that of the QoE alone scheme. This is achieved through the lightweight QoE driven mechanism.

Fig. 9 shows the performance evaluation results with different SNR. In the high quality channel environment, the proposed scheme can improve the performance of QoE alone scheme, such as reducing the time delay, improving the utilization ratio of network resources and the reliability. This is due to the comprehensive consideration of and QoS and QoE support request. In particular, with the poor channel quality, the proposed scheme adjusted and balanced the relationship between user experience and the network service quality. The proposed scheme updated the network topology and node collection with opportunistic control, which can guarantee the best user experience quality with the minimal resource cost.

Figure 8. Performance with distance. (a) Transmission delay, (b) Lifetime, (c) Bit error rate

Figure 9. Performance with SNR. (a) Transmission delay, (b) Lifetime, (c) Bit error rate
V. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we designed the survivable antenna elements, which can launch opportunity survivability control requirements or accept the opportunity request. According to the wireless network quality, distance, antenna area and working frequency, we compute the effective energy, voltage and power, for selecting the optimal invulnerability nodes, which could improve the resource utilization and lifetime. Based on the channel quality of user, we designed the QoE driven scheme. Then, we calculate the tolerate delay, data scale and transmission cycle. Accordant the use requirements, network scale, invulnerability ability of nodes, we proposed the opportunistic network transmission scheme with hops, data scale and lifetime. The experiment results prove that the proposed scheme can effectively solve the contradiction between the quality of user experience intense demand and wireless source utilization, as well as life cycle.

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