

Topology Control in Wireless Ad-Hoc Networks-Shared Links

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Abstract

Mutual Communication (MC) allows save power and extend transmission coverage. However, prior research work on topology control considers MC only in the aspect of energy saving, not that of coverage extension. We identify the challenges in the development of a centralized topology control scheme, named Mutual Bridges, which reduces transmission power of nodes as well as increases network connectivity. Multiple nodes to simultaneously transmit the same packet to the receiver so that the combined signal at the receiver can be correctly decoded. Since MC can reduce the transmission power and extend the transmission coverage, it has been considered in topology control protocols. However, prior research on topology control with MC only focuses on maintaining the network Connectivity, minimizing the transmission power of each node, whereas ignores the energy-efficiency of paths in constructed topologies. This may cause inefficient routes and hurt the overall network performance. In this paper, to address this problem, we introduce a new topology control problem: energy-efficient topology control problem with mutual communication, and propose two topology control algorithms to build mutual energy spanners in which the energy efficiency of individual paths are guaranteed. Simulation results confirm the nice performance of the proposed algorithms.

Keywords

Mutual Communication; Topology, Control, Connectivity

I. Interdiction

Wireless nodes need to save their power as well as sustain links with other nodes, since they are battery powered. Topology control deals with determining the transmission power of each node so as to maintain network connectivity and consume the minimum transmission power. Using topology control, each node is able to maintain its connection with multiple nodes by one hop or multi-hop, even though it does not use its maximum transmission power. Consequently, topology control helps power saving and decreases interferences between wireless links by reducing the number of links. As an example of topology control, the authors of proposed a Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) based topology control algorithm in order to maintain the network connectivity and minimize the number of links. Recently, a new paradigm named the Mutual Communication (MC) technique has emerged and single antenna devices can share the antennas of others that have spatial diversity such as the MST system. MC allows a source node and helper nodes to simultaneously transmit independent copies of analogous data to a destination node so that the destination node can combine partial signals of nodes and decode them [5-8]. One-hop neighbour nodes within the transmission range of a source node can be helper nodes. In other words, individual antennas on multiple nodes can work together to form an antenna array. There are extensive physical layer research efforts on the MC technique and the importance of higher layer research is also being increasingly recognized. Since using MC results in robust connection, coverage extension, and power saving, MC can be applied to various areas such as topology control [12], broad

casting and routing.

A topology control scheme [12], has been proposed for reduced power consumption using MC technology; however, it can be applied only when a strongly connected network topology is given at the initial step. A strongly connected network indicates a network where every node has a route to reach any other node. A wireless ad hoc network can be disconnected due to node mobility, low node density, and power constraint. The authors of have shown that MC technology enhances connectivity among disconnected networks, but there has been no definitive answer given to topology control research considering coverage expansion with MC.

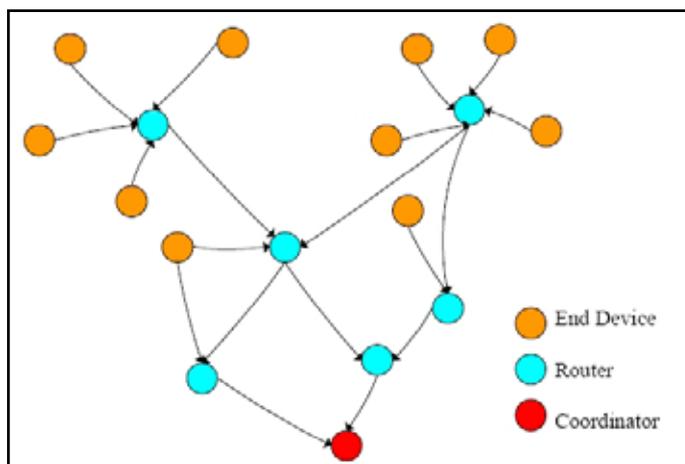


Fig. 1. Inefficiency of Current Topology Control Methods with MC

Therefore, we propose a centralized topology control scheme, which aims to increase network connectivity as well as reduce transmission power by minimizing the number of mutual communication links (MC links) among disconnected networks. As a part of the proposed topology control scheme, we also suggest two helper decision algorithms to minimize transmission power for each MC link; an optimal method and a polynomial time heuristic algorithm. In addition, we also discuss how the proposed topology control scheme is performed in a distributed manner. The main contribution of this paper includes the following aspects.

- To the best of our knowledge, we are the first to try topology control considering extended links with MC. While the existing topology control schemes preserve the given connectivity, we propose a new framework of topology control that increases connectivity.
- The connectivity-power-ratio of mutual bridges is similar to or higher than the existing algorithm. Our basic idea is based on a 2-layer MST structure. The MST-based methodology is not original but our problem formulation has novel elements.
- Several studies have been undertaken on helper selection
- Algorithms considering the channel state in order to increase throughput [16]. However, the helper selection algorithm considering energy efficiency has not been identified by prior research.
- This paper describes the trade-off between the power for a MC

link and that for helper links that should be considered so that we can construct an energy efficient MC link. Furthermore, we propose two helper selection algorithms to minimize the power of nodes in order to participate in maintaining a MC link.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Reviews the related work. Section II, describes the network model and formulates our problems. Section IV, proposes our topology control algorithm including helper decision algorithms distributed version.

II. Related Works

Mutual communication is different in that it originates from physical layer techniques; when a source node transmits a message, helper nodes around the source can overhear and retransmit it. Under amplify-and-forward, a helper node receives a noisy signal and amplifies it before retransmission. Under decode-and-forward, on the other hand, a helper node must first decode the signal and then retransmit the detected data. A destination node combines several copies of the signal from a source node and helper nodes, and obtains the advantage of spatial diversity. The concept of combining partial signals has been traditionally known as maximal ratio combining. In order to adapt to various channel states among nodes and to increase throughput, a source node can decide whether it uses only one helper node or two helper nodes simultaneously. It can even select no helper nodes for the same reason. MAC layer-based algorithms for such helper selection have been studied many times. For example, in CoopMAC, a source node records the channel state at each helper and selects the one that has the best state. Propose the optimal algorithm that selects each helper for every source-destination pair in the whole network.

In general, topology control minimizes the total or maximum energy consumption per node. Sometimes it also has other objectives such as to increase the throughput or to meet QoS requirements. Finding a strongly connected topology that has the minimum total energy consumption is known as an NP-complete problem in proved that the optimal topology control problem using MC is also NP-complete, we propose a heuristic algorithm for topology control.

A. Relaying Strategies

- Amplify-and-forward
- Decode-and-forward

In amplify-and-forward, the relay nodes simply boost the energy of the signal received from the sender and retransmit it to the receiver. In decode-and-forward, the relay nodes will perform physical-layer decoding and then forward the decoding result to the destinations. If multiple nodes are available for cooperation, their antennas can employ a space-time code in transmitting the relay signals. It is shown that cooperation at the physical layer can achieve full levels of diversity similar to a system, and hence can reduce the interference and increase the connectivity of wireless networks.

B. Mutual Communications

Mutual transmissions via a mutual diversity MC two consecutive slots. The destination combines the two signals from the source and the relay to decode the information. Mutual communications are due to the increased understanding of the benefits of multiple antenna systems. Although multiple-input multiple-output (MST) systems have been widely acknowledged, it is difficult for some wireless mobile devices to support multiple antennas due to the size and cost constraints. Recent studies show that mutual communications allow single antenna devices to work

together to exploit the spatial diversity and reap the benefits of MST systems such as resistance to fading, high throughput, low transmitted power, and resilient networks.

C. Multi-Hop Transmission

Multi-hop transmission can be illustrated using two-hop transmission. When two-hop transmission is used, two time slots are consumed. In the first slot, messages are transmitted from the source to the relay, and the messages will be forwarded to the destination in the second slot. The outage capacity of this two-hop transmission can be derived considering the outage of each hop transmission.

III. Architecture

We propose a Capacity-Optimized Mutual (COCO) topology control scheme to improve the network capacity in MANETs by jointly considering both upper layer network capacity and physical layer mutual communications. Through simulations, we show that physical layer mutual communications have significant impacts on the network capacity, and the proposed topology control scheme can substantially improve the network capacity in MANETs with mutual communications.

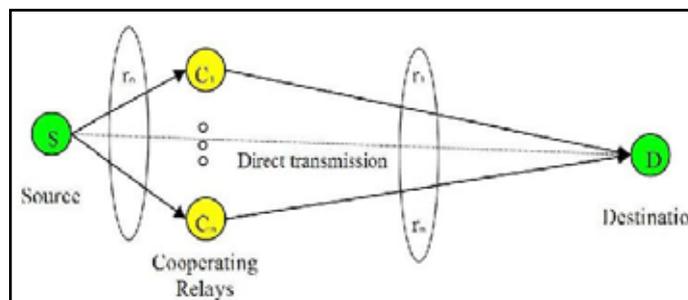


Fig. 2:

A Capacity-Optimized Mutual (COCO) topology control scheme to improve the network capacity in MANETs by jointly optimizing transmission mode selection, relay node selection, and interference control in MANETs with mutual communications. Through simulations, we show that physical layer mutual communications have significant impacts on the network capacity, and the proposed topology control scheme can substantially improve the network capacity in MANETs with mutual communications.

IV. Existing System

Existing works are focused on link-level physical layer issues, such as outage probability and outage capacity. Consequently, the impacts of mutual communications on network-level upper layer issues, such as topology control, routing and network capacity, are largely ignored. Indeed, most of current works on wireless networks attempt to create, adapt, and manage a network on a maze of point-to-point non-mutual wireless links. Such architectures can be seen as complex networks of simple links.

A. Disadvantages

- Low Network Capacity.
- Communications are focused on physical layer issues, such as decreasing outage probability. and increasing outage capacity, which are only link-wide metrics.

V. Proposed System

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jointly considering both upperlayer network capacity and physical layer mutual communications. Through simulations, we show that physical layer mutual communications have significant impacts on the network capacity, and the proposed topology control scheme can substantially improve the network capacity in MANETs with mutual communications.

A. Energy-Efficient Topology Control With MC

In this section, we propose two topology control algorithm switch build energy-efficient mutual energy spanners. To keep the proposed algorithms simple and efficient, we only consider its one-hop neighbours as possible helper nodes for each node when MC is used. Thus, the original mutual communication graph G contains all direct links and MC-links with one hop helpers, instead of all possible direct links and MC-links. In addition, for each pair of nodes v_i and v_j , we only maintain one link with least weight if there are multiple links connecting them. Both proposed algorithms are greedy algorithms. The major difference between them is the processing order of links. The first algorithm deletes links from the original graph G greedily, while the second algorithm adds links into G' greedily. Here G'' is a basic connected sub graph of G. Both algorithms can guarantee the mutual energy spanner property of the constructed graph G'

A. Greedy Algorithm 1 - Deleting Links

We first propose a simple greedy algorithm for energy-efficient topology control, which is inspired by the classical greedy algorithm for low-weight spanner. The general idea is to start with the original mutual communication graph G as described above. Then, gradually delete the least energy-efficient link (the link with highest weight) from G if doing so does not break the energy stretch factor requirement. Finally, the transmission power of each node is decided from the constructed topology G'

The details of these three steps are as follows.

Step 1: Construction of G. Initially, is an empty graph.

First, add every direct links $v_i v_j$ into G, if node v_i can reach node v_j when it operates with P_{MAX}. Then, for every pair of nodes v_i and v_j , we select a set of helper nodes H_{ij} for node v_i from its one-hop neighbours ($v_i v_j$), such that the link weight $w(v_i v_j)$ of the constructed MC-link is minimized. This helper nodes decision problem is challenging even under our assumption that the transmission powers of v_i and its helper node set to maintain MC-link are the same. If we try all combinations of the helper sets, the computational complexity is exponential to the size of (v_i). It is impractical to do so in case of a large number of neighbours.

Step 2: Construction of G'

Copy all links in G to G' , and sort them in the descending order of their weights. Start to process all links one by one and delete the link $v_i v_j$ from G'

If $G' - v_i v_j$ is still a mutual energy t-spanner of G. In addition, when a MC-link $\tilde{v}_i v_j$ is kept in G' , all its helper links must be kept in G' too.

$$g_G^{G'}(v_i v_j) = \sum_{v_p, v_q \in V} (\rho_G^{G'}(v_p, v_q) - \rho_G^{G'+v_i v_j}(v_p, v_q)),$$

Step 3: Power Assignment from G'

For each node v_i , transmission power is decided by

$$P_i = \max\left\{ \max_{\tilde{v}_i v_j \in G'} P_i^d(j), \max_{v_i v_j \in G'} P_i^{cc}(j) \right\}.$$

the following equation.

$$P_i^d(j) = \frac{\tau}{d_{ij}^{-\alpha}} \text{ and } P_i^{cc}(j) = \frac{\tau}{\sum_{v_k \in v_i \cup H_{ij}} (d_{kj})^{-\alpha}}$$

Here are the energy consumption

We call this algorithm Greedy Algorithm 1 (denoted by Greedy Del Link). The guarantee of the energy t-spanner property is straightforward, since links are deleted from G' only when the deletion does not break the t-spanner requirement.

B. Greedy Algorithm 2 - Adding Links

The second topology control algorithm starts with a sparse topology G'' which is strongly connected under MC model. We can use the output of the algorithm in [2] as the initial topology. Then, we gradually add the most energy-efficient link into G'' . Here, the energy-efficiency of a link is defined as the gain on reducing energy stretch factors by adding this link. Our algorithm will terminate until the constructed graph G' satisfies the energy stretch factor requirement.

The detail steps are summarized as follows.

Step 1: Construction of G and G''

The step of constructing G is the same as the one in Greedy Del Link. Then we construct G'' , a connected sparse sub graph of G by calling the algorithm in [2].

Step 2: Construction of G'

Initialize $G' = G''$

For every link $v_i v_j \in G - G'$

Compute its stretch-factor-gain $g_G^{G'}(v_i v_j)$ as follow:

Here, $G' + v_i v_j$ denotes the graph generated by adding edge $v_i v_j$ into G'

- In other words, the total gain of a link $v_i v_j$ is the Summation of the improvement of stretch factors of every pair of nodes in G after adding this link. In each step, we greedily add the link with the largest stretch-factor-gain into G'
- If there is a tie, we use the link weight to break it by adding the link with the least weight. We repeat this procedure until G' meets the stretch factor requirement t.

Step 3: Power Assignment from G'

For every node v_i ... assign its power level P_i .

We call this algorithm Greedy Algorithm 2 (denoted by Greedy Add Link).

The guarantee of the energy t-spanner property is also straightforward since the algorithm terminates adding links until the t-spanner requirement is satisfied.

VI. Conclusion

We proved that this problem is proposed two new topology control algorithms using mutual communications. Both algorithms can build mutual energy spanner in which the energy efficiency of individual paths are guaranteed. Simulation results confirm the nice performance of both proposed algorithms. Increase connectivity for separated networks, considering coverage expansion of mutual communication technology our present study is the first to investigate this approach. Our solution constructs an MST-based network connectivity graph with minimal MC links selected from possible candidates of MC links to reduce transmission power. Furthermore, two helper-node selection schemes to maintain energy-efficient MC links were suggested; the optimal method and the greedy heuristic method. We also applied MST (or DTMC) to each cluster for direct links and it achieved further power reduction. Next, we discussed a distributed version of the proposed topology control scheme. Via simulations, we concluded

thatour algorithms lead to greater enhancements (up to 50%)in connectivity than other topology control schemes with tolerable increase of transmission power. The advantage of theproposed schemes is even bigger when the path loss exponenttends to be smaller and there are more disconnected networks.Our work can provide guidelines on how to construct energy-efficient MC links to extend network connectivity.

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