Cooperative Diversity Routing in Wireless Networks

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energy efficiency in wireless networks is critical

□ significant progress at physical layer
 ○ energy-efficient multi-antenna systems
 ○ distributed multi-antenna → cooperative communication

extensive work on energy-efficient routing

O wireless network → a graph of point-to-point links
 O oblivious to specific physical layer characteristics
 → e.g., multi-point-to-point cooperative links

Our work: *joint optimization* of physical-layer cooperation and network-layer routing

Contributions

minimum energy cooperative routing
 only knowledge of channel statistics
 optimal power allocation to form links
 opportunistic routing to select links
 simple heuristic algorithms

□ benefits:

- 60% more energy savings compared to routing along the shortest path
- 20% more energy savings compared to equal power allocation

Outline

- model and assumptions
- cooperative link formation
- optimal route selection
- simulation examples
- □ summary

Channel Model

□ slotted channel



- \Box y_j : signal received at node j
- \Box x_i : signal transmitted by node *i*
- \square n_j : noise at node j
- \square h_{ii} : complex channel gain between nodes *i* and *j*
- \square p_i : transmit power at node i
- \Box d_{ii} : distance between nodes *i* and *j*
- $\square \alpha$: path-loss exponent

Cooperation Model

multiple transmitters to multiple receivers

- cooperative transmission → diversity gain
- \bigcirc individual reception \rightarrow cooperative reception is difficult
- special cases : point-to-point and broadcast

$$T \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & t_m \\ t_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 & r_n \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} R$$

received power
$$p_j = \sum_{t_i} \left(\frac{|h_{ij}|^2}{d_{ij}^{\alpha}} \right) p_i$$

Routing Model

cooperative link l_k
between sets T_k and R_k
C(T_k, R_k): cost of link l_k
cooperative path l
sequence of cooperative links {l₁, ..., l_K}

Minimum Energy Routing Formulation

$$\min_{\ell} \sum_{\ell_k \in \ell} C(T_k, R_k)$$

$$s.t. \quad \rho(\ell) \ge \rho_0 \quad \text{average throughput}$$
path throughput

Cooperative Link Cost

(1) What is the cost of forming a cooperative link for given *T* and *R*?

we are interested in minimizing link cost

$$C(T_k, R_k) = \min_{\mathbf{p}} \sum_{t_i \in T_k} p_i$$

s.t. $\exists \lambda$: $\min_{r_j \in R_k} \rho_j(\lambda) = \rho_0$
 $\rho_j(\lambda) = \lambda(1 - \wp_j(\lambda))$
 \checkmark
average throughput at r_j subject to transmission rate λ

Example: Rayleigh Fading

at receiver r_j

 \Box SNR due to transmitter t_i

$$\gamma_{ij} = \frac{1}{d_{ij}^{\alpha}} \frac{p_i}{P_n} |h_{ij}|^2 \rightarrow \text{Exponentially distributed}$$

 \Box SNR due to transmitting set *T*

$$\gamma_{j} = \sum_{t_{i}} \gamma_{ij} \rightarrow \text{Sum of Exponentials}$$

check the paper for a closed-form expression!
$$\wp_{j}(\lambda) = \Pr(\gamma_{j} < 2^{\lambda} - 1)$$

minimum rate

Optimal Link Selection

cost

(2) How to choose *T* and *R* at every step?

T = {all nodes that previously received data}
 o power allocation algorithm optimally selects transmitting nodes

R: subset of nodes that have not received data yet
 o selected by Opportunistic Bellman-Ford

$$\pi(T) = \min_{R \subseteq \overline{T}} \left\{ C(T, R) + \sum_{R_0 \subseteq R} \pi(T \cup R_0) \cdot (1 - \wp(R_0)) \right\}$$

to reach destination
from set T set of receivers
not in outage

Heuristic Cooperative Routing

optimal routing has exponential complexity

- 1. limited cooperation by limiting the set of transmitters or receivers
- 2. cooperation along the shortest non-cooperative path
- 3. local cooperation with optimal power allocation

Simulation Environment

randomly distributed nodes
node density = 2
max node power = 1
path-loss exponent = 2
path throughput = 0.2



Energy Cost Comparison

ONCR: non-cooperative CASP: along the shortest path DSTC: equal power allocation CASPO: proposed algorithm



Optimal v.s. Heuristic Cooperative Routes



Optimal v.s. Equal Power Allocation

DSTC: distributed equal power allocation

DCASP: proposed distributed optimal power allocation



Limited Cooperation



Summary

optimal cooperative diversity routing
 only statistical knowledge about fading

optimal power allocation
 (20% more energy savings that equal power allocation)

 opportunistic cooperation (60% more energy savings that no-cooperation)

• open problem: distributed implementation

Thank you.