

# Network Systems Capstone @CS.NYCU

Lab5: Traffic generation and Random Backoff

# Example Code

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1. Generate initial packets for each station
2. For each time-slot
  - a. Generate new arrival packets based on the constant inter-arrival time
  - b. Assign each UE a constant backoff counter
  - c. When the medium is idle, check who count to zero and have a buffered packet. Then, use a constant probability to select a winner
  - d. Reset the backoff bounter to the pre-defined constant when count down to 0
  - e. If no collision occurs, remove the successfully delivered packet
3. Calculate the number of Tx attempts and number of collisions
4. Calculate the average throughput

# Parameters of Example Code

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```
NumSta=[10:10:50];

SimuTime=1000;           % Simulation duration
SlotTime=1e-6;           % Duration of each timeslot
PktLen=180;              % Number of bits per packet
DataRate=[6 9 12 18].*1e6; % Available data rate (Mbps)
CWmin=32;                 % Minimum contention window
CWmax=1024;               % Maximum contention window

for i=1:length(NumSta)
    nn = NumSta(i);
    StaRate=DataRate(ceil(rand(1,nn)*4)); % Random rate of each station

    lambda=ones(1,nn)*10000; % Mean arrival of stations
    InterPktTime=(ones(1,nn)./lambda)/SlotTime; % Arrival time of the first packets
    StaPktCnt=zeros(1,nn); % Accumulated packet count of each station
    StaPktQ=[]; % Packet queue of each station
    SentBitCnt=zeros(1,nn); % Number of sent bits per station

    CW=ones(1,nn)*CWmin/8; % CW of each station
    backoff=ones(1,nn).*CW; % Initial backoff counter

    isBusy=0; % flag denoting whether the medium is busy
    NumTx=0; % Accumulated number of transmissions
    NumCollision=0; % Accumulated number of collisions
```

# Snapshot of Example Code

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% TODO: modify the following block to enable CSMA/CA
% identify the station ID of senders
ix = find(backoff(uid)==0);
uid = uid(ix)
winner_ix = find(rand(1,length(uid)) < 0.2/nn*10) % TODO: now pick by probability. Should be removed
winner = uid(winner_ix)
% TODO END
```

Change random selection to random backoff

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% TODO: update the backoff counter of each sender
% TODO: modify this based on exponential random backoff|
backoff(uid) = CWmin/8
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Update backoff boulder based on the Tx result

# Snapshot of Example Code

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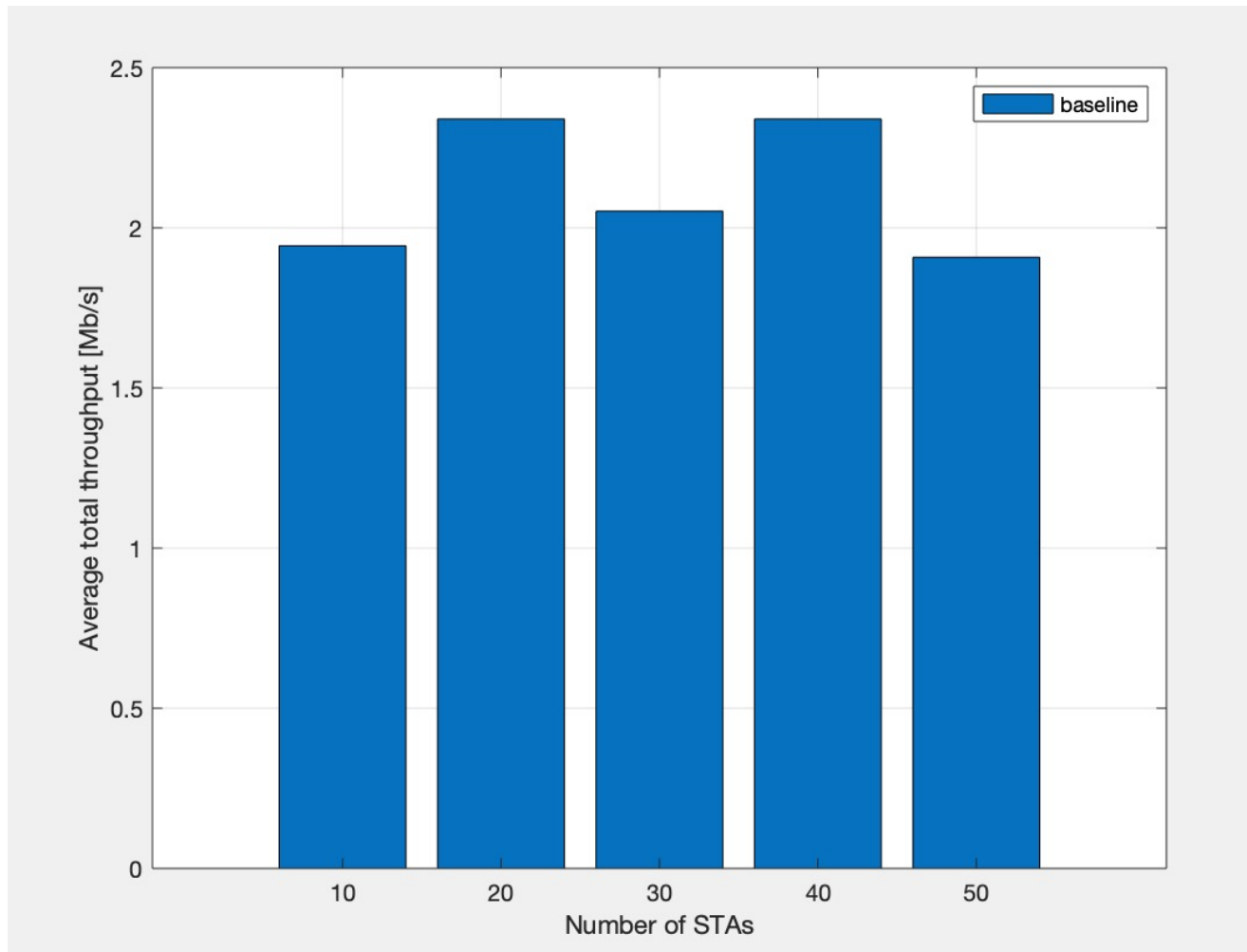
```
function [InterPktTime, StaPktQ, StaPktCnt] = generate_pkt(InterPktTime, nn, PktLen, SlotTime, StaPk
InterPktTime = InterPktTime - 1;
for u=1:length(InterPktTime)
    if(floor(InterPktTime(u)) == 0)
        StaPktCnt(u) = StaPktCnt(u) + 1;
        StaPktQ(u,StaPktCnt(u)) = PktLen;
        InterPktTime(u)=1/lambda(u)/SlotTime;    % TODO: update the interarrival time here
        if (u == nn)    % for debugging
            StaPktCnt
        end
    end
end
return;
```

Update the inter-arrival time based on the Poisson dist. with mean arrival rate “lambda”

# Output

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- Average results of 5 iterations



# Debugging

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```
NumSta=[10:10:50];  
NumIter=5;  
  
SimuTime=1000;           % Simulation duration
```

If you want to debug, change the configuration as follows

```
NumSta=[10:10:10];  
NumIter=1;  
  
SimuTime=500;           % Simulation duration
```

TODO



# Tasks

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1. Generate initial packets for each station
2. For each time-slot
  - a. Generate new arrival packets based on the **inter-arrival time of Poisson distribution (20%)**
  - b. Assign each UE an **inirial random backoff counter (10%)**
  - c. When the medium is idle, check who count to zero and have a buffered packet. **Everyon counts down to 0 will transmit (10%)**
  - d. **Update the backoff counter using the exponential backoff algorithm based on the Tx result (20%)**
  - e. If no collision occurs, remove the successfully delivered packet
3. Calculate the number of Tx attempts and number of collisions
4. Calculate the average throughput

# Poisson Arrival

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- Traffic arrival pattern follows the Poisson distribution with mean  $\lambda$ 
  - Check the **CDF**  $f(t)$  of the exponential dist. from Wiki
  - Uniformly pick a random number  $p$  from  $[0,1]$
  - $t = f^{-1}(p)$

# Random backoff in CSMA/CA

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- Initialize the backoff counter to  $CW_{\min}$
- If the transmission is successful,  $CW = CW_{\min}$
- Otherwise,  $CW = \min(CW * 2, CW_{\max})$
  
- $CW_{\min} = 32$
- $CW_{\max} = 1024$

# Code Submission

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- Deadline: May. 27 (Thu.) 23:59
- Submit to new E3
  - Source code: `lab5_<student_id>.m`
  - Figure: `rate_<student_id>.jpg`
  - Report: `report_<student_id>.jpg`, **including a short discussion summarizing your observations**

# Output

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- Output
  - Average rate of the baseline and CSMA/CA
  - Figure: Rate bar graph
    - x-axis: number of stations
    - y-axis: average rate
    - Compare the baseline scheme with CSMA/CA

# Grading

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- Code (60%)
  - Traffic generation (20%)
  - Initial backoff counter (10%)
  - Winner selection (10%)
  - Backoff counter update (20%)
- Report (40%)
  - Figure (20%)
  - Discussion (20%)
- Late penalty
  - 20% off within 1 week of the deadline
  - After a week, 20% off per day