

IoT Homework #3

RFID

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1. Efficiency Computation for Different Initial Frame Sizes

Assuming that after the first frame, the frame size is correctly set to the current backlog size, and using the given durations:

$$L_2 = 4, \quad L_3 = \frac{51}{8}$$

Below are the subsections for the initial frame sizes $r_1 = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$. Each one includes the probabilities of having $s = 0$ to 4 successful transmissions in the first frame, the arbitration duration formula L_4^* , and the efficiency $\eta = \frac{N}{L_4^*}$.

r1 = 1

Efficiency: 0.4071

- $P(s = 0) = 10/64$
- $P(s = 1) = 3/16$
- $P(s = 2) = 9/16$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 6/64$

$$L_4^* = 1 + L_4$$

$$L_4 = \left(\frac{10}{64} \cdot L_4\right) + \left(\frac{3}{16} \cdot L_3\right) + \left(\frac{9}{16} \cdot L_2\right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

r1 = 2

Efficiency: 0.4166

- $P(s = 0) = 1/2$
- $P(s = 1) = 1/2$
- $P(s = 2) = 0$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 0$

$$L_4^* = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot L_4\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot L_3\right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

r1 = 3

Efficiency: 0.4467

- $P(s = 0) = 7/27$
- $P(s = 1) = 8/27$
- $P(s = 2) = 12/27$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 0$

$$L_4^* = 1 + \left(\frac{7}{27} \cdot L_4\right) + \left(\frac{8}{27} \cdot L_3\right) + \left(\frac{12}{27} \cdot L_2\right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

r1 = 4

Efficiency: 0.4533

- $P(s = 0) = 10/64$
- $P(s = 1) = 3/16$
- $P(s = 2) = 9/16$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 6/64$

$$L_4^* = 1 + \left(\frac{10}{64} \cdot L_4 \right) + \left(\frac{3}{16} \cdot L_3 \right) + \left(\frac{9}{16} \cdot L_2 \right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

r1 = 5

Efficiency: 0.4426

- $P(s = 0) = 65/625$
- $P(s = 1) = 16/125$
- $P(s = 2) = 360/625$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 120/625$

$$L_4^* = 1 + \left(\frac{65}{625} \cdot L_4 \right) + \left(\frac{16}{125} \cdot L_3 \right) + \left(\frac{360}{625} \cdot L_2 \right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

r1 = 6

Efficiency: 0.4225

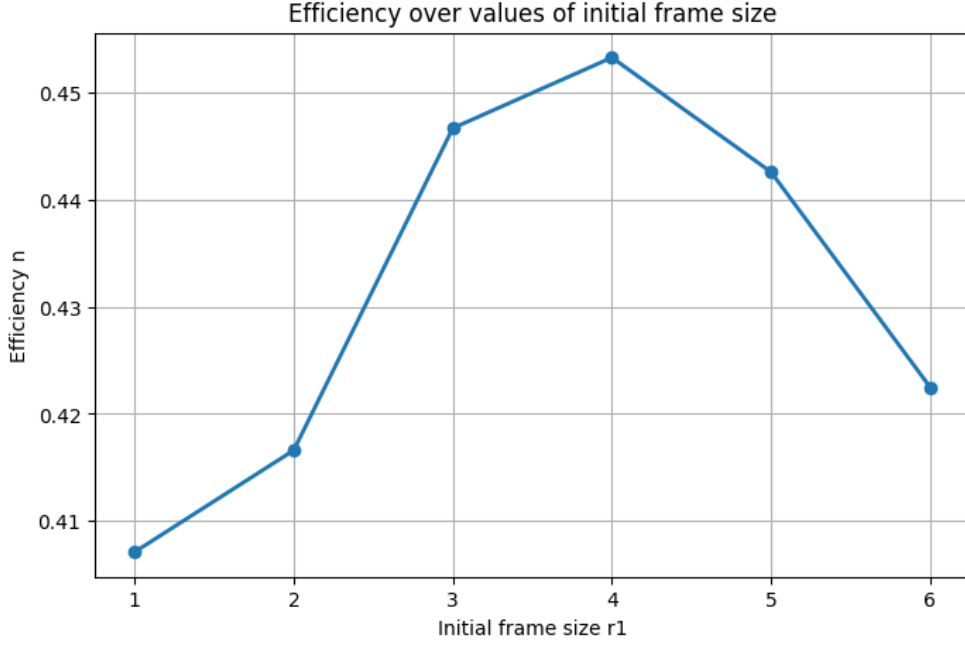
- $P(s = 0) = 96/1296$
- $P(s = 1) = 120/1296$
- $P(s = 2) = 720/1296$
- $P(s = 3) = 0$
- $P(s = 4) = 360/1296$

$$L_4^* = 1 + \left(\frac{96}{1296} \cdot L_4 \right) + \left(\frac{120}{1296} \cdot L_3 \right) + \left(\frac{720}{1296} \cdot L_2 \right)$$

$$\eta = \frac{4}{L_4^*}$$

2. Efficiency Plot

The following plot shows the computed efficiency η over different initial frame sizes r_1 .



3. Analysis of Maximum Efficiency

The goal of this analysis is to determine which initial frame size r_1 yields the highest overall efficiency η , defined as the ratio between the number of tags successfully identified and the total duration of the arbitration process.

Based on the computed efficiencies for each initial frame size:

- For small values of r_1 (e.g., $r_1 = 1, 2$), the frame is too short, leading to a high collision probability and hence an increase in the number of required retransmissions. This results in longer arbitration periods and lower efficiency.
- For large values of r_1 (e.g., $r_1 = 5, 6$), the frame tends to be underutilized, with many empty slots. Although collisions are reduced, the overhead from unused slots causes a drop in efficiency.
- At intermediate values (notably $r_1 = 4$), the frame is well balanced: the number of collisions is limited, and the number of empty slots is still low. As a result, the system achieves its best trade-off, leading to the highest efficiency.

From the plot and from the values of η , we observe that the maximum efficiency occurs when:

$$r_1 = 4$$

This suggests that choosing an initial frame size close to the actual backlog size allows Dynamic Frame ALOHA to operate most effectively, minimizing the expected arbitration time and maximizing throughput.