An Application-Specific Protocol Architecture for Wireless Microsensor Networks

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Introduction

- Sensor Network Challenges
 - > Limited communication bandwidth
 - Limited energy
- Parameters (Design goals)
 - > Ease of deployment
 - > System lifetime
 - > Latency
 - Quality
 - ✓ Neighboring nodes may have same data
 - ✓ End user cares about a higher-level description of events

LEACH (Low-Energy Adaptive Clustering Hierarchy)

- Techniques (to achieve the design goals)
 - > Randomized, adaptive, self-configuring cluster formation.
 - Localized control of data transfers
 - ➤ Low energy media access control (MAC)
 - ➤ Application specific data processing, such as data aggregation and compression.

Background

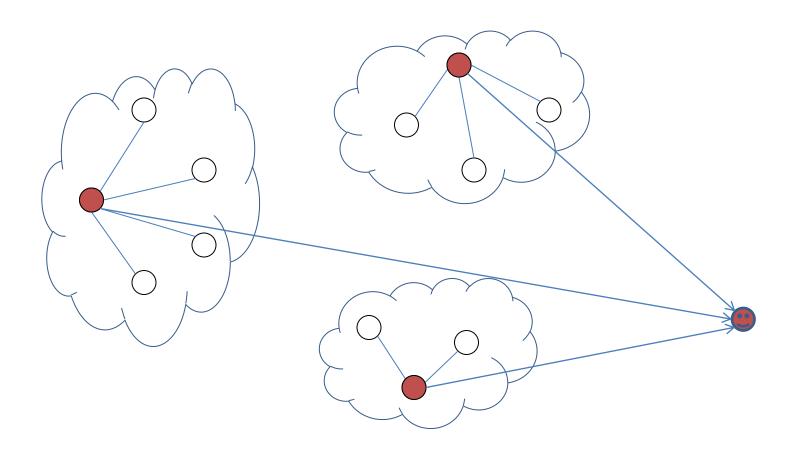
Some application-specific protocols developed for MSN

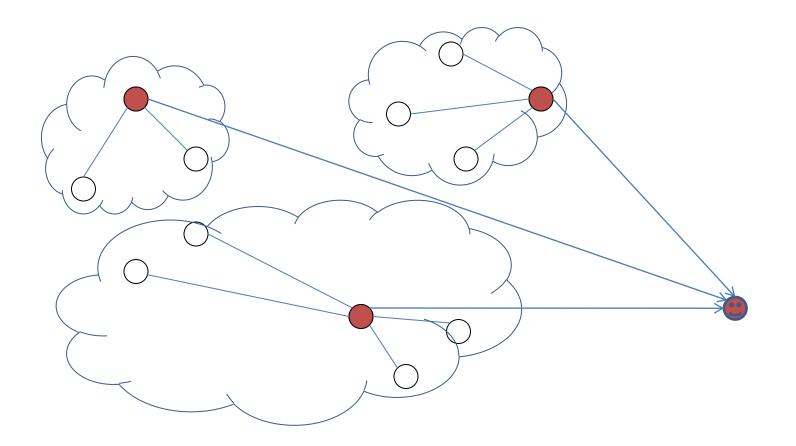
- Time division multiple-access(TDMA) MAC protocol for low-energy operation.
- "Power-aware" routing protocols for wireless networks.
- "Minimum transmission energy" (MTE) routing
- Clustering
 - Nodes send data to central cluster head
 - Cluster head forwards data
 - Cluster head has to be high energy node
 - > Fixed Infrastructure

LEACH Protocol Architecture

LEACH in brief

- Randomized rotation of cluster heads among the sensors
- All non-cluster head nodes transmit data to their cluster head
- CH receives this data and performs signal processing functions on the data and transmits data to the BS





LEACH Protocol Architecture

LEACH Step by Step

- Cluster Head Selection
- Cluster Formation
- Steady State Phase
- LEACH-C: BS Cluster Formation

Cluster Head Selection Algorithms

• $P_i(t)$ is the probability with which node i elects itself to be Cluster Head at the beginning of the round r+1 (which starts at time t) such that expected number of cluster-head nodes for this round is k.

$$E[\#CH] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} P_i(t) * 1 = k.$$
 k= # of clusters during each round N= # of nodes in the network

- Each node will be Cluster Head once in N/k rounds.
- Probability for each node i to be a cluster-head at time t

$$P_{i}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{N - k * (r \operatorname{mod} \frac{N}{k})} : & C_{i}(t) = 1\\ 0 & : & C_{i}(t) = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (2)

 $C_i(t)$ = it determines whether node i has been a cluster head in most recent $(r \mod(N/k))$ rounds.

Cluster Head Selection Algorithms (cont.)

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i(t)\right] = N - k * \left(r \bmod \frac{N}{k}\right)$$
 (3)

 $\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i(t)$ = total no. of nodes eligible to be a **cluster-head** at time t.

This ensures energy at each node to be approx. equal after every N/k rounds.

Using (2) and (3), expected # of Cluster Heads per round is,

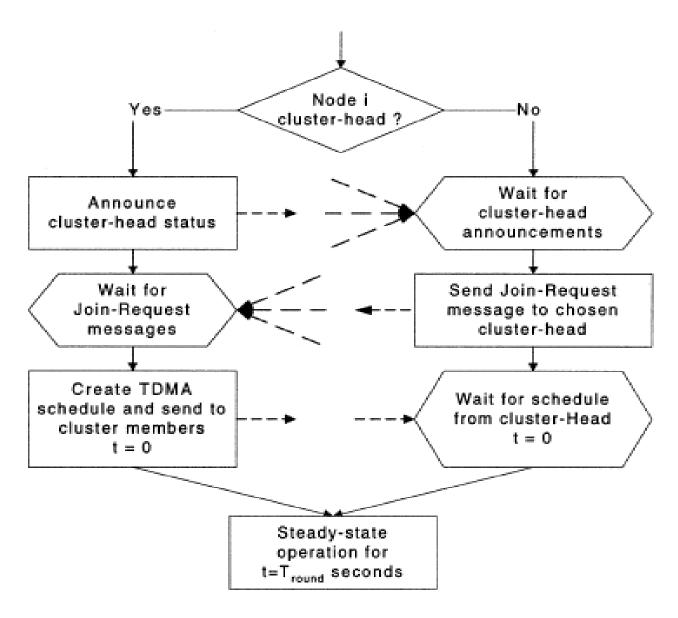
$$E[\#CH] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} P_i(t) * 1$$

$$= \left(N - k * \left(r \bmod \frac{N}{k}\right)\right) * \frac{k}{N - k * \left(r \bmod \frac{N}{k}\right)}$$

$$= k. \tag{5}$$

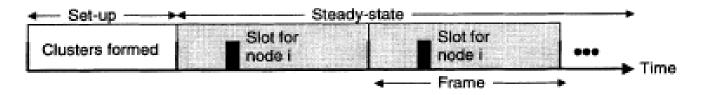
Cluster Formation Algorithm

- Cluster Heads broadcasts an advertisement message (ADV) using CSMA MAC protocol.
 - **❖** ADV = node's ID + distinguishable header.
- Based on the *received signal strength* of ADV message, each non-Cluster Head node determines its Cluster Head for this round.
- Each non-Cluster Head transmits a join-request message (Join-REQ) back to its chosen Cluster Head using a CSMA MAC protocol.
 - **❖** Join-REQ = node's ID + cluster-head ID + header.
- Cluster Head node sets up a TDMA schedule for data transmission coordination within the cluster.
- TDMA Schedule
 - Prevents collision among data messages.
 - Energy conservation in non cluster-head nodes.



Flowchart of the distributed cluster formation algorithm for LEACH

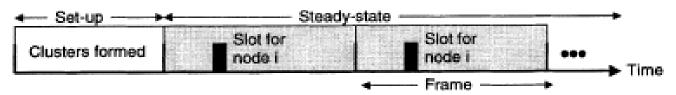
Steady State Phase



Time line showing LEACH operation

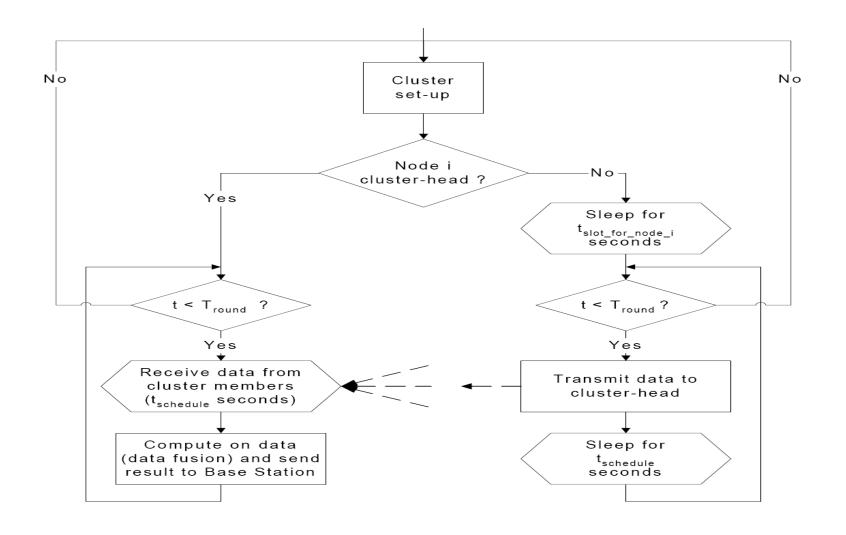
- TDMA schedule is used to send data from node to cluster head.
- Cluster head aggregates the data received from nodes in the cluster.
- Communication is via direct-sequence spread spectrum (DSSS) and each cluster uses a unique spreading code to reduce inter-cluster interference.
- Data is sent from the cluster head nodes to the BS using a fixed spreading code and CSMA.

Steady State Phase



Time line showing LEACH operation

- Assumptions
 - ❖ Nodes are all time synchronized and start the setup phase at same time.
 - **BS** sends out synchronized pulses to the nodes.
 - **!** Cluster Head must be awake all the time.
- To reduce inter-cluster interference, each cluster in LEACH communicates using direct-sequence spread spectrum (DSSS).
- Data is sent from the cluster head nodes to the BS using a fixed spreading code and CSMA.



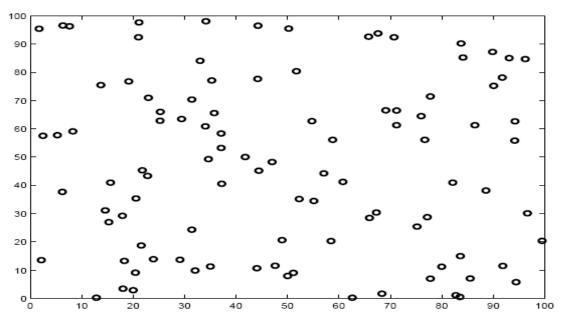
Flow chart for steady state phase

LEACH-C: BS Cluster Formation

Uses a central control algorithm to form clusters

- During setup phase each node sends its location and energy level to BS
- ➤ BS assigns cluster heads and clusters
- ➤ BS broadcasts this information
- ➤ The steady-state phase is same as LEACH

Analysis and Simulation



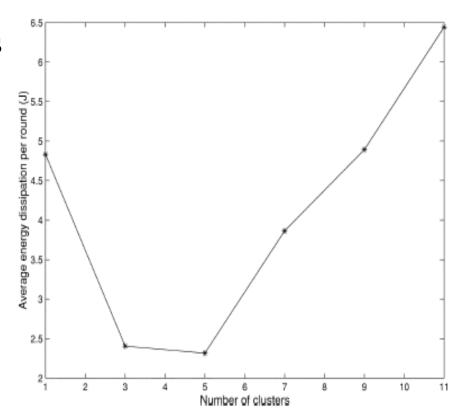
100 node random test network

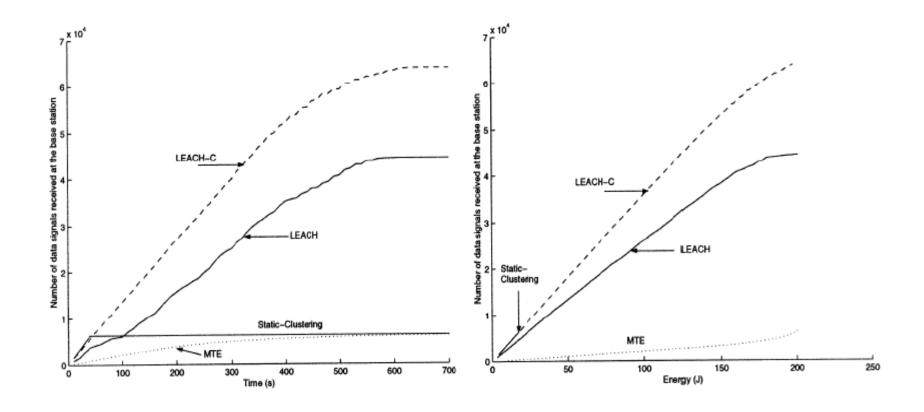
Nodes	100
Network size	$100 \text{ m} \times 100 \text{ m}$
Base station location	(50, 175)
Radio propagation speed	$3x10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Processing delay	$50 \ \mu s$
Radio speed	1 Mbps
Data size	500 bytes

Analysis and Simulation (cont.)

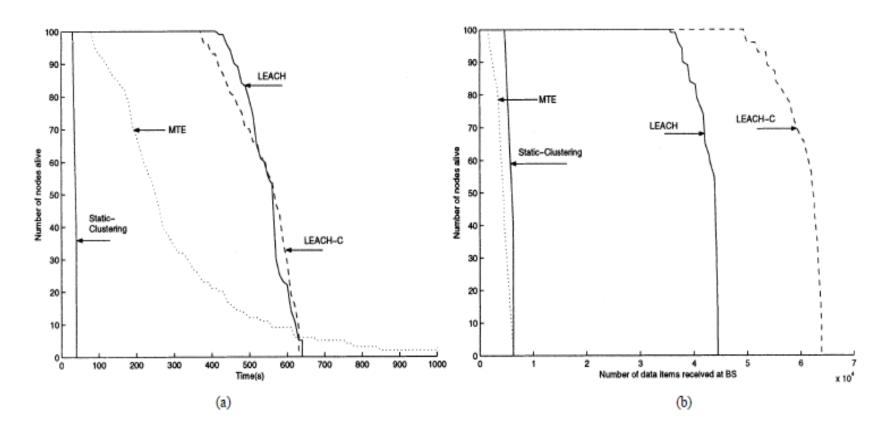
Optimum Number of Clusters

$$k_{opt} = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{fs}}{\epsilon_{mp}}} \frac{M}{d_{toBS}^2}.$$





- LEACH distributes more data per unit energy than MTE
- LEACH-C delivers 40% more data per unit energy than LEACH



- LEACH and LEACH-C's nodes lifetime is much longer than MTE's
- LEACH can deliver 10 times the amount of effective data to the BS for the same number of node deaths

Conclusion

- Microsensor network protocols must be designed for
 - Bandwidth efficiency
 - Energy efficiency
 - > High quality

LEACH

- ➤ Better energy utilization and system lifetime
- ➤ Load balancing is achieved
- > All nodes die at a time

Reference

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Questions&Comments???

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