PROJECT DESCRIPTION[1]

In this project, you are required to generate a network model for a wireless sensor network and calculate the network's lifetime.

It is recommended to use Matlab for the required simulations. However, it is not mandatory. Any other network simulator or programming tool can be used.

The wireless sensor network under study is composed of homogeneous sensor nodes that are deployed in the area of interest. Sensors are randomly distributed in the deployment area. It should be noted also that sensor nodes need to be located close to each other to ensure that they always have correlated data.

The sink node is assumed to be static and located far away from the sensors field. Although it may be more energy effective that the sink is located in a nearby location to minimize the communication distances, but in some cases this may be impractical. In some scenarios, the sink may be a mobile one, but this project is targeting static networks in which the sensor nodes, as well as the sink are static.

A. Assumptions

In the model under study, several basic assumptions are considered:

- All the sensors are homogeneous and energy constrained. This imposes the challenge of lifetime elongation subject to this constrained energy.
- All the sensors are sensing the environment at a fixed rate, and thus they all always have data to send at predetermined time instants.
- All the sensors can transmit with enough power to reach the sink if needed. This assumption becomes more valid for small sized networks such as the network example under study.
- The sensors can use power control to vary the amount of transmit power. This allows the sensor nodes to use the minimum amount of energy to ensure that the required message reaches its destination.
- Each sensor has the computational power to perform different signal processing functions. This enables any sensor to be selected for tasks that require high computational power.
- The sensors have a method to be aware of their position after deployment. This can be guaranteed via many methods. Sensor nodes may be equipped with a position finding system (e.g. GPS). Signal strength measurements may be also used to have knowledge about locations.

B. Energy Consumption Model

A sensor node uses its available energy in order to carry out three main functions:

- _Acquisition_: The energy consumed to carry out the acquisition is generally negligible.
- _Communication_: This consumes more energy than any other task. This covers the communication in terms of transmission and reception.
- _Data processing_: The energy consumed for the calculation operations is very low as compared to the communication energy. This processing may be data aggregation, diffusion, packetization and/or coding.

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[1]The problem described in this project, as well as the energy and radio models are adopted from:

Samy S. Soliman, _"Hierarchically Clustered Wireless Sensor Networks: Lifetime Optimization Techniques_," ISBN 978-384-840-321-9, LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing, Mar. 2012.

C. Transceiver Radio Energy Model

A simplistic radio model is considered here. Although there may be more realistic and complex models, yet this model is still used in the literature due to its simplicity.

The model assumes that for transmission, the radio dissipates E_{elec}, which represents the energy dissipated in the electronic circuitry of the transceiver block as well as other electronic circuitry, to run the transmitter circuitry and E_{amp}, which is the energy used by the transmit amplifier to provide the signal with power gain in order to achieve an acceptable signal-to-noise ratio. For reception, the radio dissipates only E_{elec} to run the receiver circuitry.

D. Channel Propagation Model

In a wireless channel, the electromagnetic wave propagation can be modeled as falling off as a power law function of the distance between the transmitter and receiver. So, generally the received power decreases as the distance between the transmitter and receiver increases.

In this project, both the free space model and the multi-path fading model are used, depending on the distance between the transmitter and receiver. For short distance communications, $d \leq d_0$, the free space model, for which the path loss factor is equal to 2, is used. For long distance communications, $d > d_0$, a fading model with path loss factor equals to 4 is used.

To transmit a "k" bits message aver a distance d, the transmitter consumes

$$E_{\text{tx-short}} = k\, E_{elec} + k\, \varepsilon_{\text{amp-short}}\, d^2 \quad \text{, for short distances}$$

$$E_{\text{tx-long}} = k\, E_{elec} + k\, \varepsilon_{\text{amp-long}}\, d^4 \quad \text{, for long distances}$$

where $\varepsilon_{\text{amp-short}}$ and $\varepsilon_{\text{amp-long}}$ are the amplifier gains at the transmitter for short and long distance communications, respectively. To receive a "k" bits message, the receiver consumes

$$E_{rx} = k\, E_{elec}.$$

Network and system parameters are summarized in Table I.

REQUIRED

Part A Generate a WSN that consists of $N = 100$ identical sensor nodes, randomly distributed in a network area $A = 100m \times 100m$
Submit a graph of the generated network topology.

Part B Consider the sink is located at the network center. Assume that all the sensor nodes start with an initial energy of 2 joules. Assume that only direct transmission is used, and that $d_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{\text{amp-short}}}{\varepsilon_{\text{amp-long}}}}$.
Define a cycle as the duration from sensing the data by the sensor till it reaches the sink.
Plot a graph of the number of active (not dead) nodes versus the number of cycles, till the death of the last node.

Part C On the graph obtained in Part B, **Identify** the network's lifetime, T_1, to the death of the first node, the network's lifetime, T_2, to the death of half the sensor nodes and the network's lifetime, T_3, to the death of the last node.
Note: For Part B and Part C, choose an appropriate definition for a node death. Explain your choice.

Part D **Plot** the remaining energies of the N nodes after T_1 cycles. **What** are your observations?

Part E **Plot** the remaining energies of the N nodes after T_2 cycles. **What** are your observations?

Part F **Plot** the remaining energies of the N nodes after T_3 cycles. **What** are your observations?

Part G **Repeat** Parts B - F assuming the sink node is located at one of the network corners.
Compare the figure to those of Parts B - F, and **Comment** on your results.

TABLE I: Network and System Parameters

Parameter	Symbol	Value
Network size	$M \times M$	100 m $\times$ 100 m
Number of sensors	N	100 sensors
Transmitter / Receiver electronics	E_{elec}	50 nJ/bit
TX Amplifier for short distance	$\varepsilon_{\text{amp-short}}$	10 nJ/bit/m^2
TX Amplifier for long distance	$\varepsilon_{\text{amp-long}}$	0.0013 nJ/bit/m^4
Aggregation energy	E_{agg}	50 nJ/bit/signal
Data packet size		500 Byte
Overhead packet size		125 Byte

Deliverable

Deliver, electronically, the following in a .zip file

1) **Source codes** (.m files) of all parts.
2) **Figures** in .fig format.
   Label the axes of each figure properly. Choose meaningful figure names.
3) **A complete .pdf report**, divided according to the required parts, with requirements labeled clearly. Make sure to write your observations and your comments of such observations.
4) A 5-**minutes comprehensive recorded video** showing your functioning simulation and your comments on the results.

Instructions

- Project 2 will be a continuation to this project, so work hard and seriously on this project.
- This is a **team** project, teams can be composed of $2-3$ students.
- All team members are accountable for all project parts.
- Team reports (including source codes, figures or comments) are not to be shared with others, neither before nor after submission. However, in-person discussions are encouraged.
- Any copied reports, either fully or partially, will receive 0 points. This applies to both the original and the copy.
- Late submission will be penalized at the rate of 15% for the first 2 days, another 15% for the next 2 days, after which no submissions will be considered.
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  - **20%:** Comprehensiveness and clarity of content in the recorded video.