Energy Efficient Priority Based Mobility Aware Heterogeneous WBAN Networks

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Introduction

Wireless Body Area Network (WBAN) is a medical type of network that senses the human body and monitors any critical or periodic events. WBAN consists of a set of medical sensors and wearable devices that continuously collect information and send it to the coordinator (such as healthcare specialists, doctors, pharmacy, ambulance, or physicians) through a gateway. In WBAN, energy efficiency is a major concern. Although the sensors are small and use little power. transmitting the collected data to the coordinator consumes more energy, leading to higher power usage.

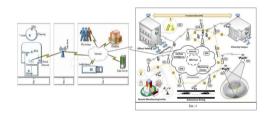


Fig.1: Wireless Body Area Network (WBAN)

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Literature Review

The surveyed literature focuses on remarkable advances in WBAN MAC-layer optimization from the perspectives of energy efficiency, data prioritization, and mobility adaptation. Nevertheless, typical constraints are dominant in most studies, including:

- Lack of real-world hardware verification.
- Scalability limitations in dynamic or multi-WBAN environments,
- Inadequate handling of mobility-aware scheduling under congestion, and
- High computational complexity unsuitable for low-power sensor nodes.

These loopholes underscore the importance of a lightweight, adaptive, and power-aware MAC-layer solution capable of handling dynamic conditions, mobility, and varying traffic patterns in real-time healthcare monitoring systems.

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Objectives

- The main objective of this project is to design and implement an energy-efficient congestion-aware priority-based scheduling mechanism for WBAN IoT networks
- A dynamic MAC scheduling algorithm is developed to improve data transfer and routing efficiency in WBAN.
- The scheduling decisions are based on:
 - Packet data rate.
 - Residual energy of nodes, and
 - Buffer length, Time-sensitive data from sensor nodes.
- This approach ensures optimal resource utilization and reduces power consumption and control over head.

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System Overview of Proposed System

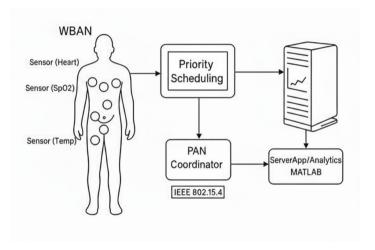


Fig.2: System Overview of Proposed System

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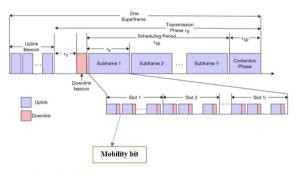
Methodology

Step 1: Network Setup

- Each WBAN consists of multiple sensor nodes and a PAN coordinator (sink node).
- The PAN Coordinator aggregates data and transmits it to a centralized server.
- Use Mobility Models say Random Way point and linear mobility to test under indoor and outdoor WBANs network.

step 2:Define Super-frame architecture

- Each WBAN network operates in a super-frame structure consisting of multiple phases:
- Beacon Phase Data will be transmitted and received in this phase
- Scheduling Period (τ_{sp}) Allocates Slots Based on Packet data rate, Residual energy of nodes, Buffer length, Time-sensitive data from sensor nodes.
- Transmission Phase (τ_{tr}) Data transmission takes place in allocated slots.
- Contention Phase (τ_{cp}) Optional phase for unscheduled communication.



Mobility bit: If bit=0 no mobility Detected

If bit=1 Mobility Detected

Fig.3: TDMA-based MAC for WBAN

Step 3: Scheduling Phase

- WBAN does:
 - Monitors RSSI data/beacon frames from each sensor
 - RSSI variation is analyzed by comparing current signal strength with historical (old) signal values to infer body motion.
 - PAN coordinator allocates slots based on:
 - RSSI (mobility indicator)
 - Data rate requirement
 - Buffer occupancy
 - Remaining energy
 - If mobility is detected (via RSSI variation):
 - ▶ PAN coordinator triggers burst transmission mode.
 - Ensures critical data is sent before connection loss.

Step 4: Dynamic Slot Allocation & Contention Handling

- Dynamic Slot Allocation Based on Mobility:
 - Prioritize **non-mobile nodes** (mobility bit = 0) for consistent slot allocation.
 - Assign shorter or adaptive slots for mobile nodes (mobility bit = 1).
- Contention Phase Handling:
 - Allow new nodes to request access during this phase.
 - Enable nodes with missed slots due to mobility to rejoin communication.
- Energy and Buffer Awareness:
 - MAC scheduler integrates remaining energy.
 - Considers **buffer occupancy** (queue length at MAC layer).
 - Gives higher priority to nodes with low energy or high buffer load.

Step 5: Simulation Configuration

• Simulation Parameters used in Implementation is mentioned below in Table 1

Step 6: Performance Metrics

- Track the following during simulation:
 - Packet Delivery Ratio (PDR)
 - Average End-to-End Delay
 - Residual Energy
 - Mobility Models Random Waypoint (RWP), linear mobility

Step 7: Performance Evaluation

- MATLAB(open source)
- Mobility Models

Step 8: PAN Coordinator to Server Communication

- PAN Coordinators send their collected/aggregated data to a Server which is recevied from Multipile sensor nods.
- Used IEEE 802.15.4 for Communication.

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Implementation(Simulation Model)

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Algorithm 1: CoordinatorApp Scheduling Algorithm
    socket.bind(localPort)
    socketBound - true
    for each sensor € sensors do
4:
        if (|sensor.rssi - sensor.prevRssi| ≥ rssiThreshold) then
            mobileDetected ← true
6:
        end if
   end for
8:
   if (mobileDetected) then
9:
        sendBeaconBurst()
10: end if
11: mobileIdx ← findMobileSensor()
12: if (mobileIdx \neq -1) then
13:
        order[0] ← mobileSensor, durations[0] ← mobileSlotSec
14:
        remaining ← superframeDuration - mobileSlotSec
15: else
16:
        sortBvPrioritvScore()
17.
        slotDuration ← superframeDuration / sensors.size()
18: end if
19: sendScheduleToSensors()
```

Fig.4: Algorithm for Coordinator App

implementation Continued..

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Algorithm 2: Priority Calculation Algorithm
                                                                  Algorithm 3: Sensor Data Management Algorithm
                                                                  1: socket.bind(localPort), socketBound - true
    drScore ← min(initDataRate / 50.0, 1.0)
                                                                      scheduleAfter(exponential(1.0/initDataRate), genTimer)
     if (timeSensitive ≥ 2) then timeScore ← 1.0
                                                                      case GEN TIMER:
     else if (timeSensitive = 1) then timeScore ← 0.5
                                                                          bufferLen++, residualEnergy -= uniform(0.00005, 0.0002)
     else timeScore ← 0.0
                                                                      case SLOT START:
     bufScore ← min(bufferLen / 50.0, 1.0)
                                                                          maxPackets + floor(slotDur * initDataRate)
6:
    energyFactor ← max(0.0, 1.0 - residualEnergy)
                                                                          toSend - min(bufferLen, maxPackets)
                                                                          for i - 0 to tosend do
7:
    priorityScore ← 0.35×drScore + 0.30×timeScore +
                                                                              sendDataPacket(), bufferLen--
8:
                      0.20 x bufScore + 0.15 x energyFactor
                                                                  10:
                                                                              residualEnergy -= uniform(0.001, 0.003)
9:
     return priorityScore
                                                                  11:
                                                                          end for
```

Fig.5: Algorithm for Priority Calculation

Fig.6: Sensor Data Management

Priority Scheduling-Explanation

1. Compute Priority Score

- DataScore = $\min\left(\frac{\mathsf{initDataRate}}{50}, 1.0\right)$
- TimeScore = 1.0 (critical), 0.5 (urgent), 0.0 (normal)
- BufferScore = $\min\left(\frac{\text{bufferLen}}{50}, 1.0\right)$
- EnergyFactor = max(0.0, 1 residualEnergy)
- Priority = 0.35·Data + 0.30·Time + 0.20·Buffer + $0.15 \cdot \mathsf{Energy}$

2. Group by Urgency

- Level 2 = Critical
- Level 1 = Urgent
- Level 0 = Normal

Critical and mobile sensors transmit first, while buffer and energy are balanced for optimal WBAN performance.

3. Sort and Schedule

- No Mobility: Order = Critical \rightarrow Urgent \rightarrow Normal $Slot = \frac{superframeDuration}{totalSensors}$
- With Mobility: First slot = mobile sensor $\overline{ ext{(mobileSlotSec)}}$ Others = Critical o Urgent oNormal RemainingTime = superframe transimitung Duration - mobileSlotSec
 - Remaining Time total Sensors 1 Slot =
- **4. Tie-Break Rule** If equal Priority → sensor with **lower** residualEnergy first.

Priority Scheduling – With Example

1. Priority Score Calculation

- DataScore = $\min\left(\frac{\mathsf{initDataRate}}{50}, 1.0\right)$
- TimeScore = 1.0 (critical) / 0.5 (urgent) / 0.0 (normal)
- BufferScore = $\min\left(\frac{\text{bufferLen}}{50}, 1.0\right)$
- EnergyFactor = max(0.0, 1 residualEnergy)
- Priority = 0.35·Data + 0.30·Time + 0.20·Buffer + 0.15·Energy

2. Sensor Example

Sensor	Data	Time	Buf	Energy	Priority
Heart	20	2	15	0.6	0.645
SpO2	15	2	12	0.7	0.592
BP	10	1	8	0.8	0.355
Temp	5	0	3	0.9	0.097

3. Grouping & Ordering

- Critical: Heart (0.645), SpO2 (0.592)
- Urgent: BP (0.355)
- Normal: Temp (0.097)

4. Scheduling (No Mobility)

- Super frame transmision time = 0.1s, Slots = 4
- Each slot = 0.025s
- Order: Heart \rightarrow SpO2 \rightarrow BP \rightarrow Temp

5. Scheduling (With Mobility)

- Heart mobile \rightarrow 1st slot = 0.035s
- Remaining = 0.065/3 0.0217s
- Order: Heart \rightarrow SpO2 \rightarrow BP \rightarrow Temp

Critical and mobile sensors transmit first, balancing data rate, urgency, buffer, and energy.

implementation(Analytical model)

The analytical model is developed using a Markov chain with defined states for CCA1, CCA2, successful transmission, and failure. Nodes access the channel through a CSMA/CA mechanism based on assigned priority levels (Critical, Urgent, and Normal) and mobility detection using Δ RSSI thresholds. The channel behavior is represented by a Gilbert–Elliott two-state model depicting good and bad channel conditions. Transition and success probabilities are computed to evaluate transmission performance. Finally, key performance metrics such as throughput, packet delivery ratio (PDR), delay, and residual energy are analyzed to assess overall system efficiency, below fig 7 shows the markov chainmodel implementation

Markov Chain Model

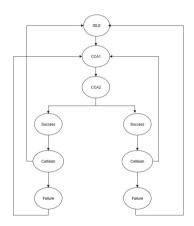


Fig7: Markov Model for implementation

Metrices

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Throughput (bps)} &= \frac{\sum (P_{\text{succ},i} \times L_{\text{pkt}})}{T_{\text{sim}}} - (1) \\ &\quad \text{PDR} &= \frac{P_{\text{recv}}}{P_{\text{sent}}} - (2) \\ &\quad E_{\text{res}} &= \frac{1}{N_s} \sum (E_{\text{init}} - E_{\text{cons},i}) - (3) \\ &\quad \text{Delay} &= \frac{1}{P_{\text{succ}}} \sum (T_{\text{recv},i} - T_{\text{send},i}) - (4) \end{aligned}$$

these formulas are used for calcuating PDR, Throughput, Delay, Residual energy

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Simulation Parameters

Parameters	Values
Simulation time	100 s
Mobile slot	0.035 s
Superframe duration	0.5 s
Maximum CSMA Backoffs	4
Maximum Retry limits	3
Maximum length of payload	127 bytes
macMinBE	3
macMaxBE	5
Multiplicative constant (time to slot length)	80 bits/slot
Data Rate	250 Kbps
Symbol Rate	62.5 kbps
Length of ACK frame	88 bits
Operating frequency	2.45 GHz
MAC Header Size	10 bytes
PHY Header Size	6 bytes

Table 1: Simulation parameters used for the WBAN network evaluation.

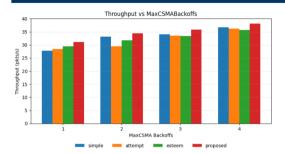


Fig.8: MaxCSMA Backoffs vs Throughput
Fig.8 shows throughput increasing with higher
MaxCSMA backoff values for all protocols. The
proposed scheme achieves 8 percent the highest
throughput at every level, indicating superior
contention handling and efficient channel
utilization

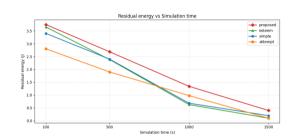


Fig.9: Residual Energy vs Simulation Time
Fig.9 shows that the proposed superframe
scheduling outperforms ESTEEM, M-ATTEMPT,
and SIMPLE. Using mobility- and priority-aware
TDMA slots enables efficient transmission, resulting
in higher residual energy, fewer retries, and reduced
control overhead.

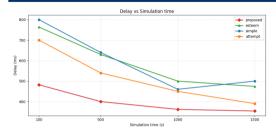


Fig. 10: Delay vs Simulation Time
Fig. 10 shows that the proposed system has a smaller delay(-15 percent)than SIMPLE,
M-ATTEMPT, and ESTEEM. This is due to deterministic TDMA slots allocated based on mobility and priority scheduling, while others rely on single-hop or multi-hop transmissions, causing higher delays.

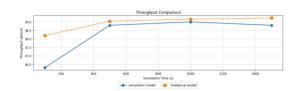


Fig. 11: Throughput vs Simulation Time
Fig.11 confirms the higher throughput of the
proposed scheme through the analytical Markov
model.Mobility-and priority-aware TDMA with
limited in-slot CSMA reduces collisions and
backoffs.The close match between analytical and
simulated results validates the model's accuracy
and efficiency.

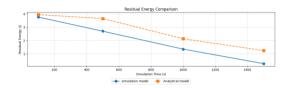


Fig.12: Residual Energy vs Simulation Time
Fig12 shows Analytical residual energy remains
higher as it ignores backoffs and retries, while
simulation energy drops faster due to mobility
bursts and retransmission overheads. The close
match validates the analytical model for realistic
WBAN energy behavior.

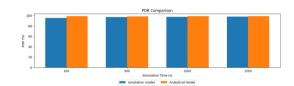


Fig.13: PDR vs Simulation Time Fig.13 ShowsThe analytical model predicts high PDR, closely matching simulations. Slightly higher analytical values are due to averaged loss estimates.

The correlation confirms accurate modeling of priority- and mobility-aware transmission behavior.

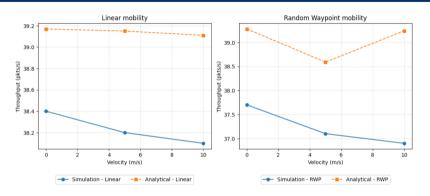


Fig.14: Velocity vs Throughput

Fig.14 shows the analytical model gives higher throughput, serving as an upper bound. Throughput decreases at higher velocities due to mobility and resynchronizations. The close match confirms the accuracy of mobility-aware scheduling.

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Time Frame

SI.NO	Month	Task
1.	June	Literature Survey and Methodology
2.	July	Simulating Model
3.	August	Simulating Model
4.	September	Plotting Graph's and Comparing Results
5.	October	Report Writing

Fig15:TimeFrame

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Conclusion

The proposed WBAN MAC scheme is a mobility- and urgency-aware TDMA MAC with bounded in-slot CSMA. It significantly improves reliability, energy efficiency, and throughput compared to contention-based and routing-only approaches. Analytical modeling and event-driven simulations confirm high accuracy and strong correlation with predicted trends. The scheme maintains higher residual energy and packet delivery ratio by reducing idle listening, redundant backoffs, and retransmissions. Future extensions include machine learning-based parameter tuning and cross-layer interaction to enhance adaptability and overall performance in dynamic WBAN environments.

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