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1. INTRODUCTION

As a new technology, Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) has a wide range of applications [Culler 2001,Bahl 2002,Akyildiz 2001], including environment monitoring, smart buildings, medical care, industrial and military applications. Among them, a recent trend is to develop commercial sensor networks that require pervasive sensing of both environment and human beings, for example, assisted living [Akyildiz 2002,Harvard 2001,CROSSBOW] and smart homes [Harvard 2001,Adya 2001,CROSSBOW].

"For these applications, sensor devices are incorporated into human cloths [Natarajan 2001,Zhou 2006,Bahl 2002,Adya 2001] for monitoring health related information like EKG readings, fall detection, and voice recognition".

While collecting all these multimedia information [Akyildiz 2002] requires a high network throughput, off-the-shelf sensor devices only provide very limited bandwidth in a single channel: 19.2Kbps in MICA2 [Bahl 2002] and 250Kbps in MICAz.

In this article, we propose MMSN, abbreviation for Multifrequency Media access control for wireless Sensor Networks. The main contributions of this work can be summarized as follows.

- To the best of our knowledge, the MMSN protocol is the first multifrequency MAC protocol especially designed for WSNs, in which each device is equipped with a single radio transceiver and the MAC layer packet size is very small.
- Instead of using pairwise RTS/CTS frequency negotiation [Adya 2001, Culler 2001; Tzamaloukas 2001; Zhou 2006], we propose lightweight frequency assignments, which are good choices for many deployed comparatively static WSNs.
- We develop new toggle transmission and snooping techniques to enable a single radio transceiver in a sensor device to achieve scalable performance, avoiding the nonscalable "one control channel + multiple data channels" design [Natarajan 2001].

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2. MMSN PROTOCOL

2.1. Frequency Assignment

We propose a suboptimal distribution to be used by each node, which is easy to compute and does not depend on the number of competing nodes. A natural candidate is an increasing geometric sequence, in which

$$P(t) = \frac{b^{\frac{t+1}{T+1}} - b^{\frac{t}{T+1}}}{b-1},\tag{1}$$

where t = 0, ..., T, and b is a number greater than 1.

In our algorithm, we use the suboptimal approach for simplicity and generality. We need to make the distribution of the selected back-off time slice at each node conform to what is shown in Equation (1). It is implemented as follows: First, a random variable α with a uniform distribution within the interval (0,1) is generated on each node, then time slice i is selected according to the following equation:

$$i = |(T+1)\log_b[\alpha(b-1)+1]|.$$

It can be easily proven that the distribution of i conforms to Equation (1).

So protocols [Bahl 2002,Culler 2001,Zhou 2006,Adya 2001,Culler 2001; Tzamaloukas-01; Akyildiz-01] that use RTS/CTS controls¹ for frequency negotiation and reservation are not suitable for WSN applications, even though they exhibit good performance in general wireless ad hoc networks.

2.1.1. Exclusive Frequency Assignment. In exclusive frequency assignment, nodes first exchange their IDs among two communication hops so that each node knows its two-hop neighbors' IDs. In the second broadcast, each node beacons all neighbors' IDs it has collected during the first broadcast period.

Eavesdropping. Even though the even selection scheme leads to even sharing of available frequencies among any two-hop neighborhood, it involves a number of two-hop broadcasts. To reduce the communication cost, we propose a lightweight eavesdropping scheme.

2.2. Basic Notations

As Algorithm 1 states, for each frequency number, each node calculates a random number (Rnd_{α}) for itself and a random number (Rnd_{β}) for each of its two-hop neighbors with the same pseudorandom number generator.

Bus masters are divided into two disjoint sets, \mathcal{M}_{RT} and \mathcal{M}_{NRT} .

RT Masters. $\mathcal{M}_{RT} = \{\vec{m}_1, \dots, \vec{m}_n\}$ denotes the n RT masters issuing real-time constrained requests. To model the current request issued by an \vec{m}_i in \mathcal{M}_{RT} , three parameters—the recurrence time (r_i) , the service cycle (c_i) , and the relative deadline (d_i) —are used, with their relationships.

NRTMasters. $\mathcal{M}_{NRT} = \{\vec{m}_{n+1}, \dots, \vec{m}_{n+m}\}$ is a set of m masters issuing nonreal-time constrained requests. In our model, each \vec{m}_j in \mathcal{M}_{NRT} needs only one parameter, the service cycle, to model the current request it issues.

Here, a question may arise, since each node has a global ID. Why don't we just map nodes' IDs within two hops into a group of frequency numbers and assign those numbers to all nodes within two hops?

¹RTS/CTS controls are required to be implemented by 802.11-compliant devices. They can be used as an optional mechanism to avoid Hidden Terminal Problems in the 802.11 standard and protocols based on those similar to [Akyildiz 2001] and [Adya 2001].

ALGORITHM 1: Frequency Number Computation

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Input: Node \alpha's ID (ID_{\alpha}), and node \alpha's neighbors' IDs within two communication hops.
Output: The frequency number (FreNum_{\alpha}) node \alpha gets assigned.
index = 0; FreNum_{\alpha} = -1;
repeat
     Rnd_{\alpha} = \text{Random}(ID_{\alpha}, index);
     Found = TRUE;
    for each node \beta in \alpha's two communication hops do
         Rnd_{\beta} = \text{Random}(ID_{\beta}, index);
         if (Rnd_{\alpha} < Rnd_{\beta}) or (Rnd_{\alpha} == Rnd_{\beta} \text{ and } ID_{\alpha} < ID_{\beta});
              Found = FALSE; break;
         end
    end
    if Found then
         FreNum_{\alpha} = index;
         index ++;
    end
until FreNum_{\alpha} > -1;
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Fig. 1. Code before preprocessing.

3. SIMULATOR

If the model checker requests successors of a state which are not created yet, the state space uses the simulator to create the successors on-the-fly. To create successor states the simulator conducts the following steps.

- (1) Load state into microcontroller model.
- (2) Determine assignments needed for resolving nondeterminism.
- (3) For each assignment.
 - (a) either call interrupt handler or simulate effect of next instruction, or
 - (b) evaluate truth values of atomic propositions.
- (4) Return resulting states.

Figure 1 shows a typical microcontroller C program that controls an automotive power window lift. The program is one of the programs used in the case study described in Section 3. At first sight, the programs looks like an ANSI C program. It contains function calls, assignments, if clauses, and while loops.

3.1. Problem Formulation

The objective of variable coalescence-based offset assignment is to find both the coalescence scheme and the MWPC on the coalesced graph. We start with a few definitions and lemmas for variable coalescence.

Definition 3.1 (Coalesced Node (C-Node)). A C-node is a set of live ranges (webs) in the AG or IG that are coalesced. Nodes within the same C-node cannot interfere with each other on the IG. Before any coalescing is done, each live range is a C-node by itself.

Definition 3.2 (*C-AG* (*Coalesced Access Graph*)). The C-AG is the access graph after node coalescence, which is composed of all C-nodes and C-edges.

LEMMA 3.3. The C-MWPC problem is NP-complete.

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$TERRAIN^a$	(200m×200m) Square
Node Number	289
Node Placement	Uniform
Application	Many-to-Many/Gossip CBR Streams
Payload Size	32 bytes
Routing Layer	GF
MAC Layer	CSMA/MMSN
Radio Layer	RADIO-ACCNOISE
Radio Bandwidth	250Kbps
Radio Range	20m-45m

Table I. Simulation Configuration

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PROOF. C-MWPC can be easily reduced to the MWPC problem assuming a coalescence graph without any edge or a fully connected interference graph. Therefore, each C-node is an uncoalesced live range after value separation and C-PC is equivalent to PC. A fully connected interference graph is made possible when all live ranges interfere with each other. Thus, the C-MWPC problem is NP-complete. \Box

LEMMA 3.4 (LEMMA Subhead). The solution to the C-MWPC problem is no worse than the solution to the MWPC.

PROOF. Simply, any solution to the MWPC is also a solution to the C-MWPC. But some solutions to C-MWPC may not apply to the MWPC (if any coalescing were made). $\ \square$

4. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

During all the experiments, the Geographic Forwarding (GF) [Akyildiz 2001] routing protocol is used. GF exploits geographic information of nodes and conducts local data-forwarding to achieve end-to-end routing. Our simulation is configured according to the settings in Table I. Each run lasts for 2 minutes and repeated 100 times. For each data value we present in the results, we also give its 90% confidence interval.

5. TYPICAL REFERENCES IN NEW ACM REFERENCE FORMAT

A paginated journal article [Abril and Plant 2007], an enumerated journal article [Abril and Plant 2007], a reference to an entire issue [Abril and Plant 2007], a monograph (whole book) [Abril and Plant 2007], a monograph/whole book in a series (see 2a in spec. document) [Abril and Plant 2007], a divisible-book such as an anthology or compilation [Abril and Plant 2007] followed by the same example, however we only output the series if the volume number is given [Abril and Plant 2007] (so Editor00a's series should NOT be present since it has no vol. no.), a chapter in a divisible book [Abril and Plant 2007], a chapter in a divisible book in a series [Abril and Plant 2007], a multi-volume work as book [Abril and Plant 2007], an article in a proceedings (of a conference, symposium, workshop for example) (paginated proceedings article) [Abril and Plant 2007], a proceedings article with all possible elements [Abril and Plant 2007], an example of an enumerated proceedings article [Abril and Plant 2007], an informally published work [Abril and Plant 2007], a doctoral dissertation [Abril and Plant 2007], a master's thesis: [Abril and Plant 2007], an online document / world wide web resource [Abril and Plant 2007], [Abril and Plant 2007], [Abril and Plant 2007], a video game (Case 1) [Abril and Plant 2007] and (Case 2) [Abril and Plant 2007] and [Abril

and Plant 2007] and (Case 3) a patent [Abril and Plant 2007], work accepted for publication [Abril and Plant 2007], 'YYYYb'-test for prolific author [Abril and Plant 2007] and [Abril and Plant 2007]. Other cites might contain 'duplicate' DOI and URLs (some SIAM articles) [Abril and Plant 2007]. Boris / Barbara Beeton: multi-volume works as books [Abril and Plant 2007] and [Abril and Plant 2007].

6. CONCLUSIONS

In this article, we develop the first multifrequency MAC protocol for WSN applications in which each device adopts a single radio transceiver. The different MAC design requirements for WSNs and general wireless ad-hoc networks are compared, and a complete WSN multifrequency MAC design (MMSN) is put forth. During the MMSN design, we analyze and evaluate different choices for frequency assignments and also discuss the nonuniform back-off algorithms for the slotted media access design.

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