

IoT Homework 2024/2025
PART 3 – Exercise3: RFID

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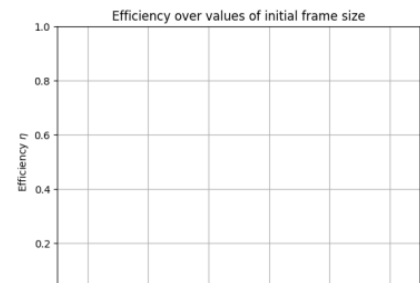
A RFID system based on Dynamic Frame ALOHA is composed of $N=4$ tags

1. Find the overall collision resolution efficiency η in the different cases in which the initial frame size is set to $r1=1,2,3,4,5,6$

- Assume that after the first frame, the frame size is correctly set to the current backlog size
- Assume as given the duration of the arbitration period with $N=2,3$ tags when $r=N$

$$(L_2=4, L_3=51/8)$$

2. After computing the values of the efficiency with the different frame sizes, **produce a plot** with values of η over $r1$ (as figure) -> add in the report



3. For what values of $r1$ we have the maximum value for η ? **Comment.**

1. $\eta = \frac{N}{L_N}$ in our case $N = 4$ tags

We should calculate L_4 for $r1 = 1,2,3,4,5,6$

The general formula is:

$$L_4^* = r1 + \sum_{i=0}^3 P(S=i) * L_{4-i}$$

$$= r1 + L_4 P(S=0) + L_3 P(S=1) + L_2 P(S=2) + L_1 P(S=3)$$

$P(S=k)$ stands for having exactly k slots with only a tag.

So we should calculate this value for different cases ($r1 = 1,2,3,4,5,6$).

I wrote a Python script that enumerates all possible assignments and counts how many of them satisfy the constraint: 'exactly k slots contain exactly one tag'.

Anyway I'm going to show my mathematical logic in first cases.

$r1 = 1$ at beginning we have only one slot

The probability of having 1,2,3 slots with only 1 tag is 0, so $P(S=0) = 1$

$$L_4^* = r1 + L_4 * 1$$

At the second round we have 4 slots and 4 tags, so L_4 on the right of the equation is equal to the left one:

$$L_4 = 4 + L_4 P(S=0) + L_3 P(S=1) + L_2 P(S=2) + L_1 P(S=3)$$

$P(S=0)$ having exactly 0 slot with only a tag

$(1/4)^4 * N$ (number of combination with exactly 0 slot with only a tag).

- each slot contains all 4 tags: 4 combinations.
- 2 slots contains 2 tags, and the other two slots contain 0 tags: 36 combinations.

$$P(S=0) = (4+36) / 4^4$$

The general logic is finding number of combinations of each case and multiply by $(1/4)^{r1}$, obtaining the probability.

So I use my code to find the number of combinations in each case.

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0 slots with 1 tag: 40 combinations
1 slots with 1 tag: 48 combinations
2 slots with 1 tag: 144 combinations
4 slots with 1 tag: 24 combinations
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$$P(S=0) = 40/256$$

$$P(S=1) = 48/256$$

$$P(S=2) = 144/256$$

$$P(S=3) = 0$$

$$L4 = 4 + L_4 P(S=0) + L_3 P(S=1) + L_2 P(S=2) + L_1 P(S=3) \rightarrow L4 = 8.824$$

$$L4^* = 1 + 8.824$$

$$\eta_1 = \frac{4}{9.824} = 0.407$$

r1=2

$$L4^* = r1 + L4 P(S=0) + L3 P(S=1)$$

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0 slots with 1 tag: 8 combinations
1 slots with 1 tag: 8 combinations
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$$P(S=0) = 8/16$$

$$P(S=1) = 8/16$$

$$L4^* = 2 + 8.824 * P(S=0) + 51/8 * P(S=1) = 9.5995$$

$$\eta_2 = \frac{4}{9.5995} = 0.4167$$

r1=3

$$L4^* = r1 + L4 P(S=0) + L3 P(S=1) + L2 P(S=2)$$

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0 slots with 1 tag: 21 combinations
1 slots with 1 tag: 24 combinations
2 slots with 1 tag: 36 combinations
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$$P(S=0) = 21/81$$

$$P(S=1) = 24/81$$

$$P(S=2) = 36/81$$

$$L4^* = 3 + 8.824 * P(S=0) + 51/8 * P(S=1) + 4 * P(S=2) = 8.954$$

$$\eta_3 = \frac{4}{8.954} = 0.4467$$

r1=4:

$$\eta_4 = \frac{4}{8.824} = 0.453$$

r1=5

$$L4^* = r1 + L4 P(S=0) + L3P(S=1) + L2P(S=2) + L1P(S=3)$$

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0 slots with 1 tag: 65 combinations
1 slots with 1 tag: 80 combinations
2 slots with 1 tag: 360 combinations
4 slots with 1 tag: 120 combinations
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$$P(S=0) = 65/625$$

$$P(S=1) = 80/625$$

$$P(S=2) = 360/625$$

$$L4^* = 5 + 8.824 * P(S=0) + 51/8 * P(S=1) + 4 * P(S=2) = 9.038$$

$$\eta_5 = \frac{4}{9.038} = 0.4426$$

r1 = 6

$$L4^* = r1 + L4 P(S=0) + L3P(S=1) + L2P(S=2) + L1P(S=3)$$

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0 slots with 1 tag: 96 combinations
1 slots with 1 tag: 120 combinations
2 slots with 1 tag: 720 combinations
4 slots with 1 tag: 360 combinations
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$$P(S=0) = 96/1296$$

$$P(S=1) = 120/1296$$

$$P(S=2) = 720/1296$$

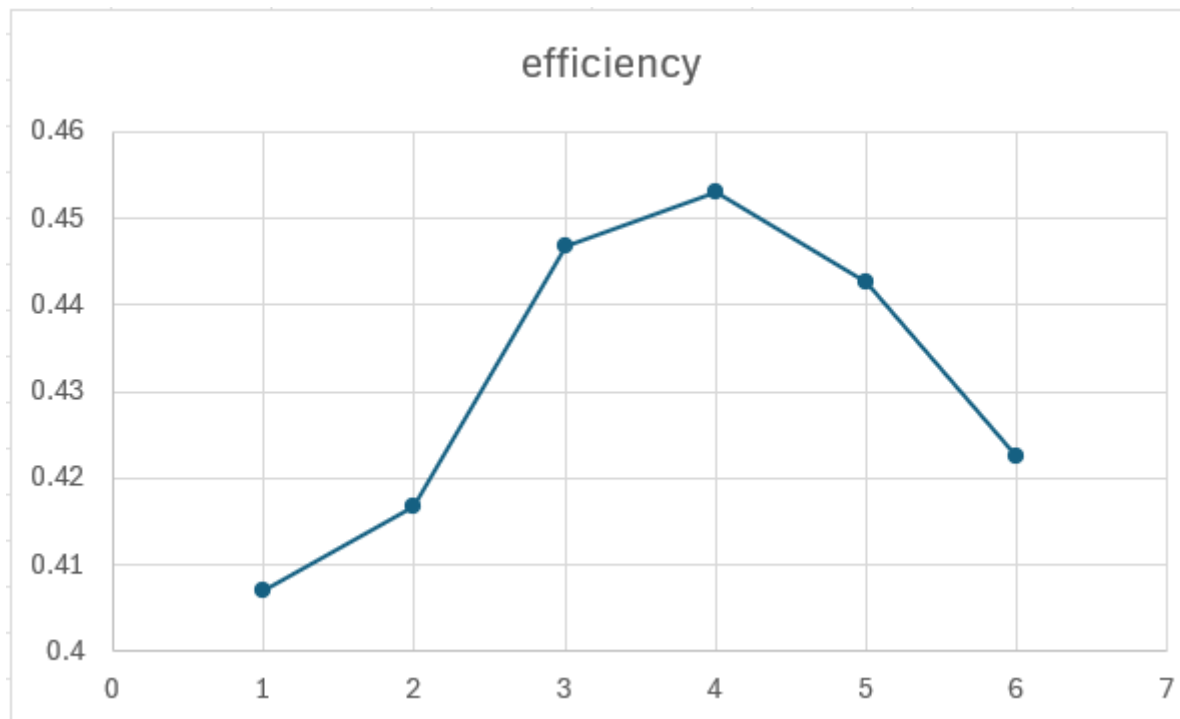
$$L4^* = 6 + 8.824 * P(S=0) + 51/8 * P(S=1) + 4 * P(S=2) = 9.466$$

$$\eta_6 = \frac{4}{9.466} = 0.4225$$

Code I used to find number of combinations:

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1 from itertools import product
2 from collections import Counter
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4
5 positions_6slots = list(product(range(6), repeat=4)) # in the range I insert the number of available slots, and repeat = 4 (tags number)
6 # change the range manually every round 1,2,3,4,5,6
7 resolved_count_distribution_6slots = Counter()
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9 for p in positions_6slots:
10     slot_counts = Counter(p)
11     num_slots_with_one = sum(1 for count in slot_counts.values() if count == 1)
12     resolved_count_distribution_6slots[num_slots_with_one] += 1
13
14 resolved_count_distribution_6slots = dict(sorted(resolved_count_distribution_6slots.items()))
15
16 for num_slots, count in resolved_count_distribution_6slots.items():
17     print(f"{num_slots} slots with 1 tag: {count} combinations")
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r1	efficiency
1	0.407
2	0.4167
3	0.4467
4	0.453
5	0.4426
6	0.4225



We have the maximum value for the efficiency at $r1 = 4$.

This is obvious because we have 4 tags and the initial frame size is set to 4. These two numbers are equal. In this case, the chance of exactly one tag per slot is maximized. It's a balance between too many collisions and too many empty slots.