

Architecture of Wireless Sensor Networks With Mobile Sinks: Sparsely Deployed Sensors

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- Assumption and Problem Formulation
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Introduction (1/2)

- The one-hop transmission guarantees a long lifetime for wireless sensor nodes
- The tradeoff between the probability of successful information retrieval and node energy-consumption cost is studied

Introduction (2/2)

- MSSN (Sensor Networks with Mobile Sinks) achieves
 - Simplicity in sensor-node design
 - Utilizing the higher storage/computing/communication capabilities of the sink
- TSA-MSSN
 - Transmission-Scheduling Algorithm for wireless Sensor Networks with Mobile Sinks

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Assumption and Problem Formulation (1/3)

□ Assumption

- The sink knows the position of sensor nodes and the number of packets on every node
- We do not assume that mobility information is known at the sink in advance
- Sink mobility (velocity and direction) would remain constant in the future
- Only one packet can be transmitted in one time slot and that every lost packet will be retransmitted in the next assigned slot.

Assumption and Problem Formulation (2/3)

□ Our Approach

- Find the best time slots for packets transmission and use minimum transmission power for those slots
- TSA-MSSN is a highly centralized algorithm

Assumption and Problem Formulation (3/3)

□ TSA-MSSN

- The sink runs TSA-MSSN and assigns the transmission power level to the node at the beginning of every time slot
- The sink can piggyback the assigned transmission power level in the ACK packets, which serve to acknowledge successful or failed data transmission during the previous time slot

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System-State Vector $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(i_0)$ (1/4)

- System state

- $E(i_0) = \{\mathbf{L}_s(i_0), \theta_s(i_0), v_s(i_0), \mathbf{L}_n, K(i_0)\}.$ (1)

- The distance between the sink and the sensor node

- $D(i_0) = \|\mathbf{L}_s(i_0) - \mathbf{L}_n\|$ (2)

- Communication-channel gain between the sink and the sensor node

- $G(i_0) = 10 \cdot \log(A) - 10n \cdot \log(D(i_0)) + \xi$ (dB) (3)

System-State Vector $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(i_0)$ (2/4)

□ $T(i_0)$

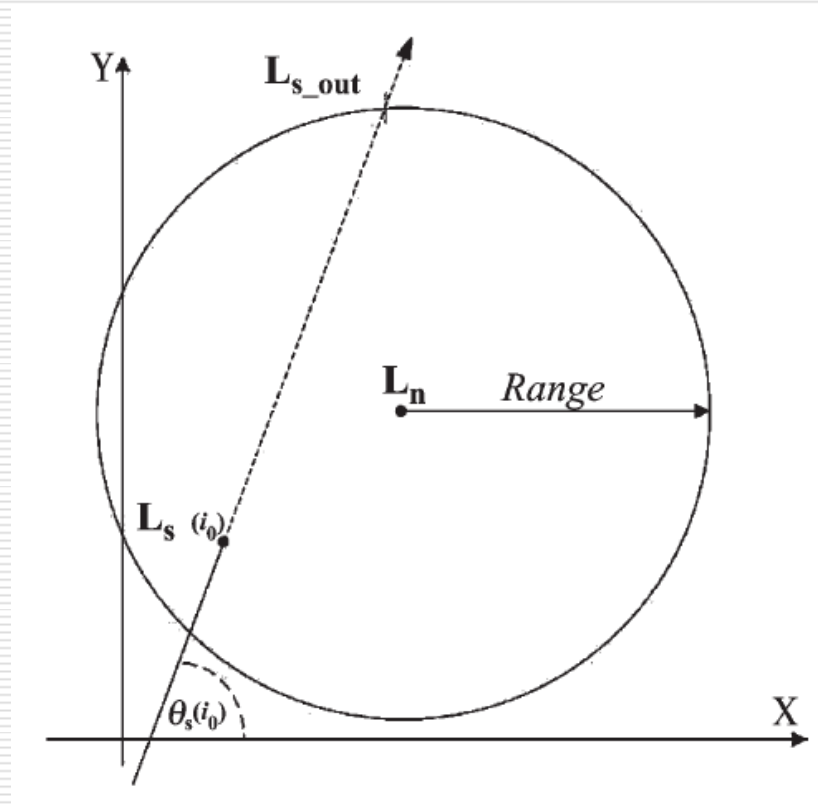
- the **estimated number of transmission time slots** available before the sink moves out of the sensor communication range

- $$T(i_0) = \left\lfloor \frac{\|\mathbf{L}_s(i_0) - \mathbf{L}_{s_out}\|}{v_s(i_0) \cdot \Delta t} \right\rfloor \quad (4)$$

- $$\Delta t = \frac{F_d + F_b}{R} \quad (5)$$

- Duration of one time slot

System-State Vector $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(i_0)$ (3/4)



System-State Vector $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(i_0)$ (4/4)

□ The series of estimated states

■ $\hat{\mathbf{E}}(i_0) = \left[\hat{E}(i_0), \hat{E}(i_0 + 1), \dots, \hat{E}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right]$ (6)

$$\hat{E}(i_0) = E(i_0) \quad (7)$$

■ $\forall i \in \{i_0, \dots, i_0 + T(i_0) + 1\}$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{L}}_s(i) = \mathbf{L}_s(i_0) + (i - i_0) \cdot v_s \cdot \Delta t \cdot [\cos(\theta_s), \sin(\theta_s)] \\ \hat{\theta}_s(i) = \theta_s; \hat{v}_s(i) = v_s \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Markov-Chain Model of $\hat{E}(i_0)$ (1/2)

- The transmission strategy is decided by $P_t(i)$, which is the transmission power at the sensor node (and could be zero if the strategy is to sleep during that slot)
- Given $\hat{E}(i)$ and $P_t(i)$, $\hat{E}(i+1)$ is not related to any previous states before i . Thus, $\{\hat{E}(i)\}$ can be modeled as a Markov chain in time domain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob} \left(\hat{E}(i+1) | \hat{E}(i_0), \dots, \hat{E}(i), P_t(i_0), \dots, P_t(i) \right) \\ = \text{Prob} \left(\hat{E}(i+1) | \hat{E}(i), P_t(i) \right). \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

Markov-Chain Model of $\hat{E}(i_0)$ (2/2)

- State-transferring probability function

$$\text{Prob} \left(\hat{E}(i+1) | \hat{E}(i), P_t(i) \right) = \begin{cases} \text{P}\hat{\text{E}}\text{R}(i), & \hat{K}(i+1) = \hat{K}(i) \\ 1 - \text{P}\hat{\text{E}}\text{R}(i), & \hat{K}(i+1) = \hat{K}(i) - 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

$$\text{P}\hat{\text{E}}\text{R}(i) = 1 - \left(1 - Q \left(\sqrt{\frac{2P_t(i) \cdot \hat{G}(i)}{\sigma_n^2}} \right) \right)^{F_d} \quad (11)$$

$$Q(x) = (1/\sqrt{\pi}) \cdot \int_{(x/\sqrt{2})}^{\infty} e^{-t^2} dt, \quad \hat{G}(i) = A \cdot \hat{D}(i)^{-n} \quad (12)$$

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TSA-MSSN Algorithm and Implementation

□ TSA-MSSN

- the objective of TSA-MSSN is to decide the optimal strategy $P_t^* (E(i_0))$ that maximizes the probability of successful transmission and, at the same time, minimizes the energy consumption. However, these two objectives cannot be achieved simultaneously

- $$P_t^* (E(i_0)) = \arg \max_{P_t(i_0)} \left\{ J \left(P_t(i_0), \hat{E}(i_0) \right) \right\} \quad (13)$$

Recursive Design of Utility Functions (1/3)

□ Given $J(P_t(i+1), \hat{E}(i+1))$, design the utility function $J(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i))$

□ We define
$$U(\hat{E}(i)) = \max_{P_t(i)} \left\{ J(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i)) \right\} \quad (14)$$

□
$$J(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i)) = J_m(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i)) - J_c(P_t(i)) \quad (15)$$

■ $J_m(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i))$ is the figure of **credit** which denotes the expected achievable utility credit by **adopting strategy $P_t(i)$** at state $\hat{E}(i)$. **Successful transmission credit**

■ The $J_c(P_t(i))$ is the figure of **cost**, which is determined by the **energy consumption** associated with $P_t(i)$.

Recursive Design of Utility Functions (2/3)

$$\square J_m \left(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i) \right) = \sum_{\hat{E}(i+1)} U \left(\hat{E}(i+1) \right) \cdot \text{Prob} \left(\hat{E}(i+1) | P_t(i), \hat{E}(i) \right) \quad (16)$$

$$\square J_c \left(P_t(i) \right) = \frac{\lambda}{\max\{P_t\}} \cdot P_t(i) \quad (17)$$

- λ is a weight coefficient indicating the tradeoff between successful transmission credit and energy-consumption cost .

Recursive Design of Utility Functions (3/3)

- Combining previous formulations, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & J \left(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\hat{E}(i+1)} \max_{P_t(i+1)} \left\{ J \left(P_t(i+1), \hat{E}(i+1) \right) \right\} \\ & \cdot \text{Prob} \left(\hat{E}(i+1) | P_t(i), \hat{E}(i) \right) - \frac{\lambda}{\max\{P_t\}} \cdot P_t(i). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Final-State Configuration Application

- when $i = i_0 + T(i_0) + 1$, the J_c is zero for all system states, since there will be no active transmission and, therefore, $P_t(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} J \left(P_t (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1), \hat{E} (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right) \\ &= J_m \left(P_t (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1), \hat{E} (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right) \\ &= J_m \left(\hat{E} (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Final-State Configuration Application – Scenario /

- Assume
 - Every $K(i_0)$ packet is of the same credit
- The number of successfully transmitted packets

$$J_m \left(\hat{E} (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right) = K(i_0) - \hat{K} (i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \quad (20)$$

- If we want to set $J_c(\alpha \cdot \max\{P_t\}) = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\alpha) &= \arg_{\lambda} \{J_c(\alpha \cdot \max\{P_t\}) = 1\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad 0 < \alpha < 1 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

【According to (17)】

Final-State Configuration

Application – Scenario // (1/2)

□ Assume

- The integrity of all $K(i_0)$ packets is essential (22)

$$J_m \left(\hat{E}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \hat{K}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) = 0 \\ 0, & \hat{K}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Placing $\lambda = 1/(T(i_0) + 1)$ implies that the credit of successful transmission equals the cost of the average transmission power $P_{\text{avg}}(i_0) = \max\{P_t\}$

$$P_{\text{avg}}(i_0) = \frac{1}{T(i_0) + 1} \cdot \sum_{i=i_0}^{i_0+T(i_0)} P_t^* \left(\hat{E}(i) \right). \quad (23)$$

Final-State Configuration Application – Scenario II (2/2)

□ If we want to have

$$(T(i_0) + 1) \cdot J_c(\alpha \cdot \max \{P_t\}) = 1$$

, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\alpha) &= \arg_{\lambda} \{(T(i_0) + 1) \cdot J_c(\alpha \cdot \max \{P_t\}) = 1\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha \cdot \{T(i_0) + 1\}}. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

【According to (17)】

$$0 < \alpha < 1$$

Summary (1/2)

Given $E(i_0) = \{\mathbf{L}_s(i_0), \theta_s(i_0), v_s(i_0), \mathbf{L}_n, K(i_0)\}$;

Calculate $T(i_0)$ by Eq. (4):

$$T(i_0) = \left\lfloor \frac{\|\mathbf{L}_s(i_0) - \mathbf{L}_{s_out}\|}{v_s(i_0) \cdot \Delta t} \right\rfloor,$$

where \mathbf{L}_{s_out} is given in Appendix I;

Define the final-state configuration function Eq.(19)

$$\begin{aligned} & J(P_t(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1), \hat{E}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1)) \\ &= J_m(\hat{E}(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1)), \end{aligned}$$

by Eq. (20) or Eq. (22), etc.;

For $i = i_0 + T(i_0)$ down to i_0 ,

For all $\hat{E}(i) = \{\hat{\mathbf{L}}_s(i), \theta_s, v_s, \mathbf{L}_n, \hat{K}(i)\}$,

Calculate $J(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i))$ by Eq.(18):

$$\begin{aligned} & J(P_t(i), \hat{E}(i)) = \\ & \sum_{\hat{E}(i+1)} \max_{P_t(i+1)} \{ J(P_t(i+1), \hat{E}(i+1)) \} \cdot \\ & Prob(\hat{E}(i+1) | P_t(i), \hat{E}(i)) - \frac{\lambda}{\max\{P_t\}} \cdot P_t(i); \end{aligned}$$

End for

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Decide the optimal transmission strategy by Eq. (13):

$$P_t^*(E(i_0)) = \arg \max_{P_t(i_0)} \{ J(P_t(i_0), \hat{E}(i_0)) \}.$$

Summary (2/2)

- Number of table entries N_t

$$N_t < \sum_{k=1}^{N_v} \left\lceil \frac{2 \cdot \text{Range}}{k \cdot \Delta v \Delta t} \right\rceil \cdot \left\lceil \frac{\pi \cdot \text{Range}^2}{\Delta S} \right\rceil \quad (25) \quad \left\lceil \frac{2 \cdot \text{Range}}{k \cdot \Delta v \Delta t} \right\rceil$$

- The maximum number of packets : $\left\lceil \frac{2 \cdot \text{Range}}{k \cdot \Delta v \Delta t} \right\rceil$

- The number of grids for L_n : $\left\lceil \frac{\pi \cdot \text{Range}^2}{\Delta S} \right\rceil$

- The number of discrete values for $v_s(i_0)$: N_v

$$N_v = \lceil v_{\max} / \Delta v \rceil$$

- Range = 50m, $V_{\max} = 30\text{m/s}$, $\Delta v = 1\text{m/s}$,
 $\Delta S = 1\text{m}^2$, $F_d = 128 \cdot 8\text{bits}$, $F_b = 20 \cdot 8\text{bits}$, $R = 20\text{kb/s}$,
→ $N_t < 53 \cdot 10^6$

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Simulations

□ Assume

- the sink is installed in a car which is driven along the highway
- the sensor nodes are deployed along the highway
- IEEE 802.15.4

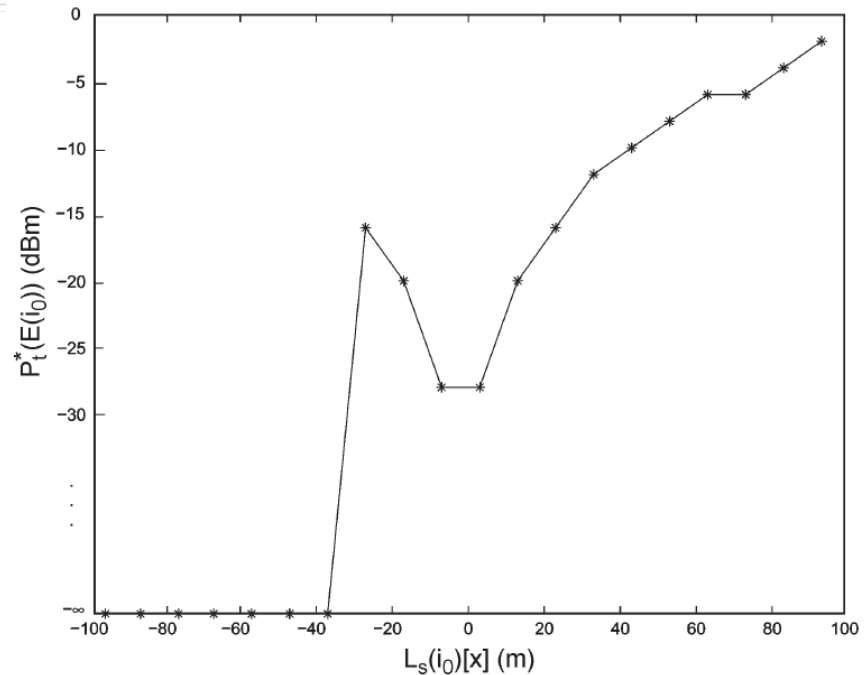
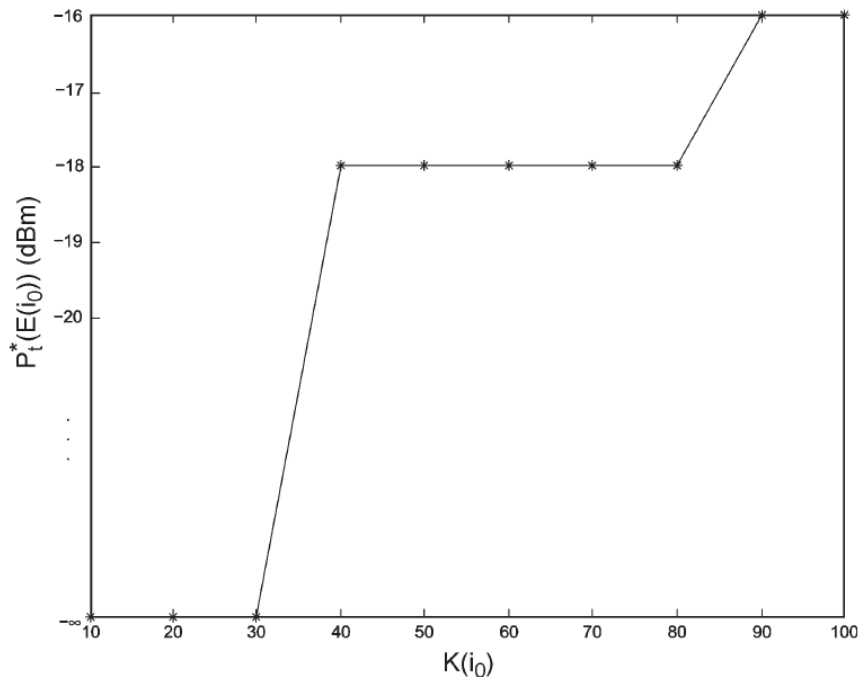
- $P_t(i) \in \{-\infty, -32, -28, -24, -20, -18, -16, -14, -12, -10, -8, -6, -4, -2, 0\}$ (dBm) (26)

| Parameter | Unit | Value |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| F_d | <i>bit</i> | 128×8 |
| F_b | <i>bit</i> | 20×8 |
| R | <i>bits/sec</i> | 20000 |
| n | | 2.5 |
| A | <i>dB</i> | -31 |
| ξ | <i>dB</i> | $N(0, \sigma_\xi^2)$ |
| Range | <i>m</i> | 100 |
| σ_n^2 | <i>dBm</i> | -92 |
| $v_s(i)$ | <i>m/sec</i> | 20 |

Transmission Scheduling in TSA-MSSN – Application Scenario I

□ First, We Fix $L_n = k[0, 0]$, $\theta_s(i_0) = 0$, $L_s(i_0) = [-20, 10]$, $\lambda = 1$

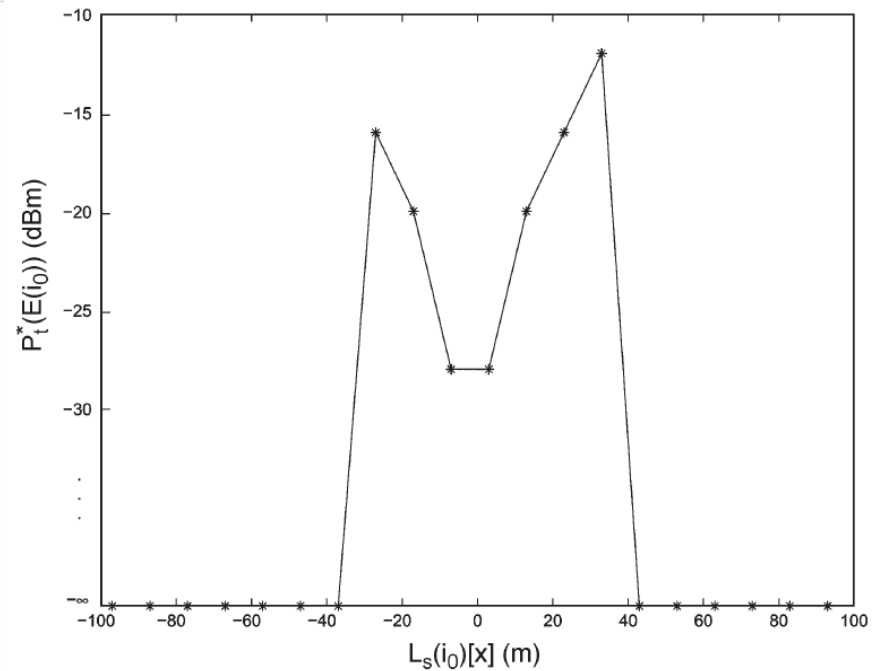
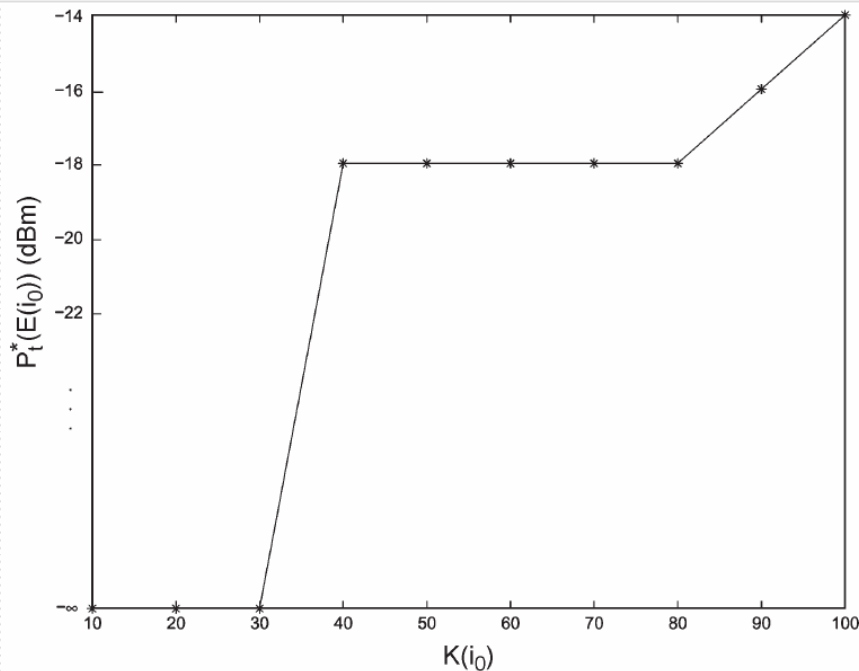
□ Move the location of the sink $L_s(i_0)$ along the map from $[-97, 5]$ to $[97, 5]$ and fix $K(i_0) = 50$



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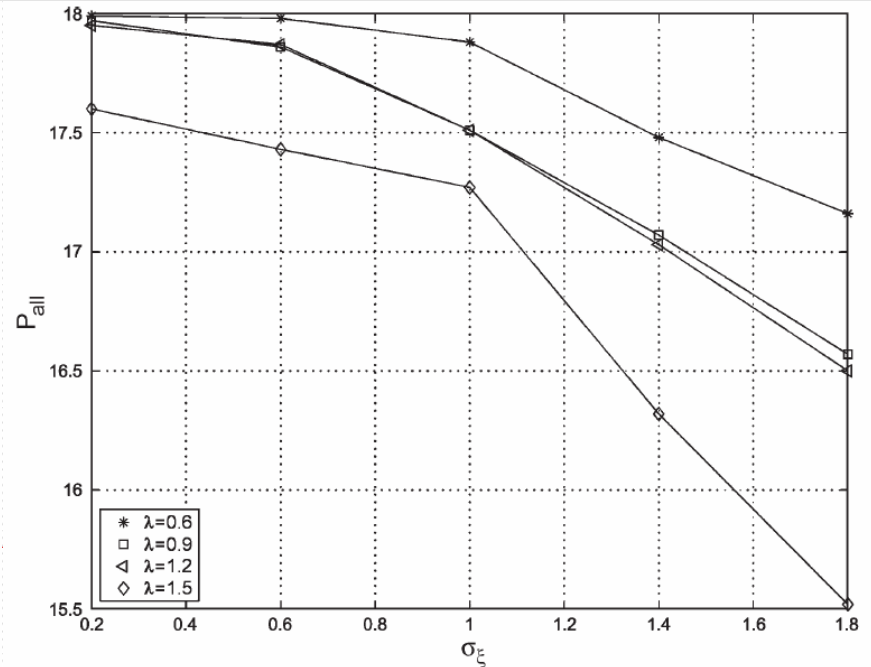
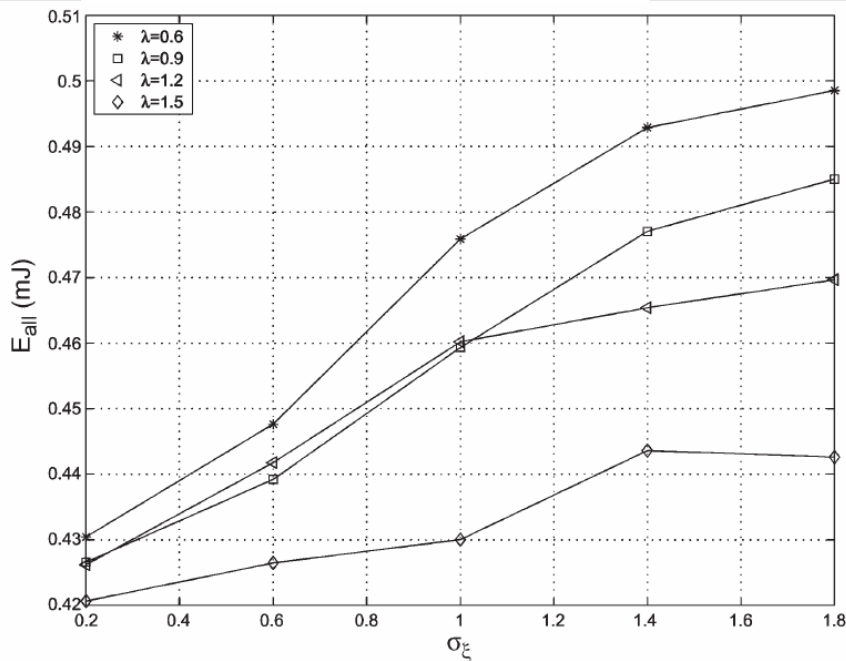


Real-World Simulations - Application Scenario I

- $L_n = [0, 0]$, $\theta_s(i_0) = 0$, $K(i_0) = 18$, $L_s(i_0) = [75, 10]$
- E_{all} : total energy consumption
- P_{all} : number of successfully transmitted packets

$$E_{\text{all}} = \sum_{i=i_0}^{i_0+T(i_0)} P_t^*(E(i)) \cdot \frac{F_d}{R} \quad (27)$$

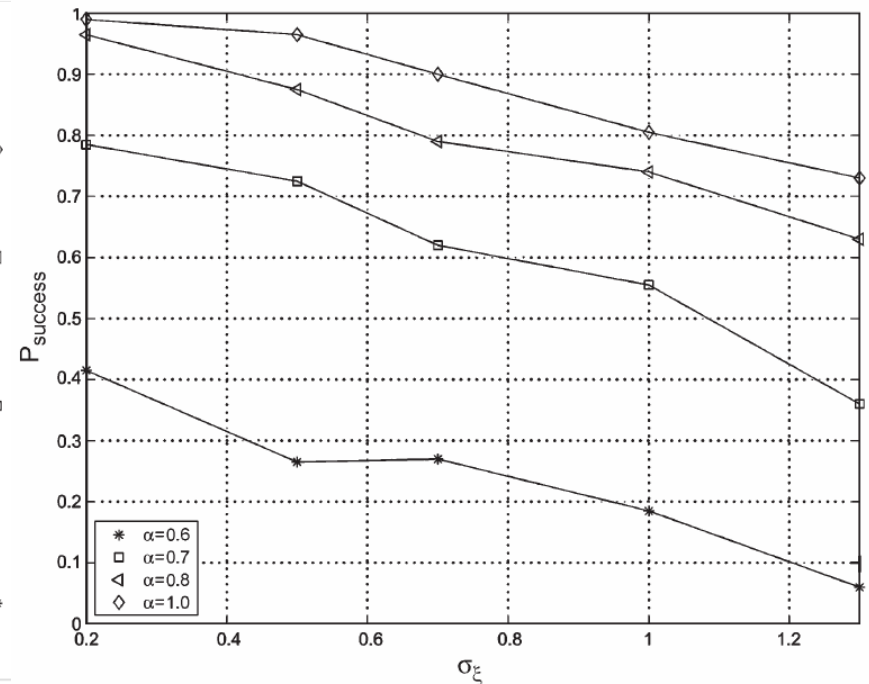
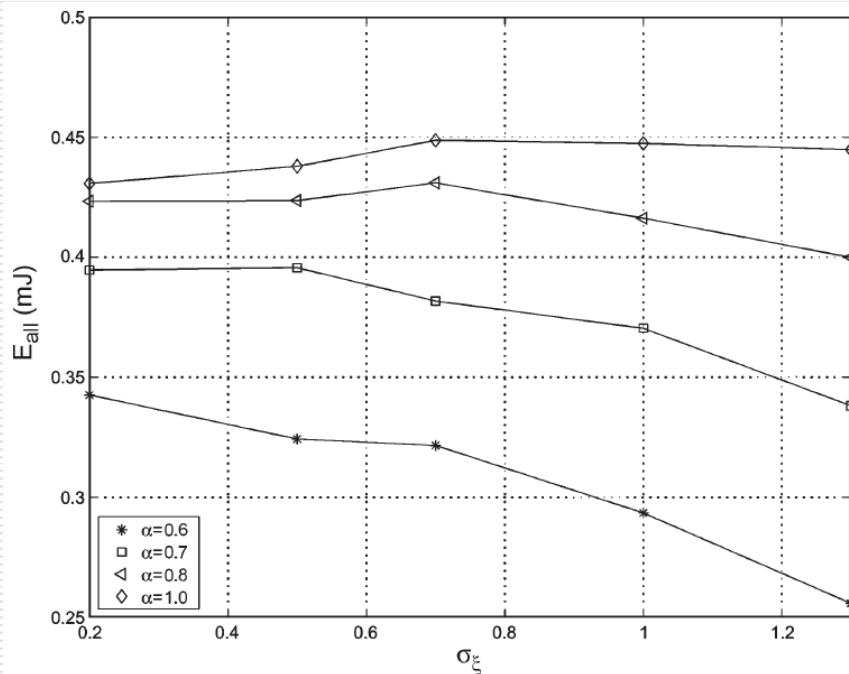
$$P_{\text{all}} = K(i_0) - K(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) \quad (28)$$



Real-World Simulations - Application Scenario //

- E_{all} : total energy consumption
- P_{success} : ratio of successfully transmission

$$P_{\text{success}} = \begin{cases} 1, & K(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) = 0 \\ 0, & K(i_0 + T(i_0) + 1) > 0 \end{cases} \quad (29)$$



Conclusion

- We have proposed an architecture of wireless MSSN.
- In the design of the TSA-MSSN, a coefficient λ has been employed to control the tradeoff between the credit of successful transmission retrieval and the cost of energy consumption.
- The results can possibly lead to an MSSN network deployment for highway-traffic-surveillance applications.
- The final-state configuration decides the packet scheduling at the MSSN to-sink unicast module.