Stream: Low Overhead Wireless Reprogramming for Sensor Networks

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Introduction

- Existing protocol bundling the reprogramming protocol and application as one program image
- Stream: to minimize the size of the part which is need to bound with application.

Deluge

- Using monotonically increase version number for images.
- Segments the binary code image into pages, and pipelines the different pages across the network.
- Three-way handshake: advertisement, request, broadcast.



Deluge – Transmitting Images

DelugeBasic (Preinstalled)

Image: User application + Reprogramming protocol DelugeBasic (Preinstalled)

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Stream Design

- StreamReprogrammingSupport(Stream-RS) as image 0.
- StreamApplicationSupport(Stream-AS) attached to user's application.
- Only transfer user application and Stream-AS
- Stream-AS provides a little reprogramming functionality of reprogramming protocol.

Stream – Transmitting Images



Stream: Protocol design



Stream-AS

- Attached to user application
- Provide the functionality to reboot from image 0

Stream-AS

- Like Deluge, two lines of nesC code most be added:
 - Components StreamASC;
 - Main.StdControl->StreamASC;

Stream-AS

- Steady-state behavior
 - Does not advertise code image meta-data
 - Uses less RAM for Stream than for Deluge

Stream-RS

- Preinstalled in all nodes as node 0
- Executed during reprogramming phase
- Transfer image

Stream-RS

• Three-way handshake



Stream-RS



- Assume retransmission of packet are independent
- The energy cost of transfer a image to a h hop node

$$E_h = \frac{h \times N_p \times N_{pkt} \times C}{P_s}$$

- Ps = the probability of successful transmession
- -Np = number of pages
- Npkt = number of packets in each page
- -C = energy cost of transmitting one packet

• For total energy cost

$$E = \sum_{h=1}^{h=h_{\text{max}}} \left[N_{Nh} \times \frac{h \times N_p \times N_{pkt} \times C}{P_s} \right]$$

 $-N_{Nh}$ = Number of nodes at hop h



A standalone application (which does not perform radio communication)

- •Deluge: increase 20 page
- •Stream: increase 10 pages

Figure 3: Total energy consumed in the 10×10 grid topology with standalone applications



GenericComm component (provided by TinyOS)

Deluge: increase 11pageStream: increase 1pages

Figure 4: Total energy consumed in the 10×10 grid topology with communicating applications

Stream analysis-Convergence Time

• The expected convergence time is

$$T_{conv} = T_r \times (N_p + h_{max} - 1) \times \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} [1 - (1 - (1 - P_s)^{i-1})^{N_{pkt}}]$$

- $-T_r$ = round time
- $-h_{\text{max}}$ = maximum number of hops



Figure 5: Convergence time for 10×10 grid topology with standalone applications

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Figure 6: Convergence time for 10×10 grid topology with communicating applications

Experiments

- Mica2
 - -7.37 MHz, 8-bit microcontroller
 - 128KB program memory
 - -4KB RAM
 - 512KB external flash
 - Communicate via 916MHz radio transceiver
- Topologies:
 - Grid
 - Linear

Experiments - Grid



Figure 7: Reprogramming time for grid networks



Figure 8: Number of bytes transmitted in the network during reprogramming for grid networks

Application: 11 pagesDeluge: add 22 pagesStream: add 12 pages

Experiments - Linear



Figure 9: Reprogramming time for linear networks



Figure 10: Number of bytes transmitted in the network during reprogramming for linear networks

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Simulation

- Use TOSSIM
- Larger grid

Simulation



Figure 11: Reprogramming time for nxn grids



Figure 12: Number of bytes transmitted in the network during reprogramming for nxn grids



Figure 13: Reprogramming time (different node densities)



Figure 14: Number of bytes transmitted in the network during reprogramming for different node densities

Conclusion

- Reduce transmitted bit
- Reduce programming time, energy costs and program memory
- Improve the protocol for a new node to get image from network