

# Protection and Guarantee for voice and video traffic in IEEE 802.11e wireless LANs

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# Introduction

- The IEEE 802.11e standard provides QoS feature support to the existing 802.11b
- Hybrid Coordination Function (HCF)
  - Referred to as Enhanced Distribution Coordination Function (EDCF)
  - EDCF provides a priority scheme for difference service
- Without a good control mechanism and a good protection mechanism for QoS requirements

# Introduction

- In this paper , we propose a two-level protection and guarantee mechanism for QoS traffic
- First level
  - Tried and known
  - Early protection
- Second level
  - Dynamic control EDCF channel parameter

# Related work

- The contention based channel access is referred to Enhanced Distributed Coordination Function (EDCF)
  - Channel utilization calculated during each beacon
  - Available/residual budgets are calculated
  - The EDCF works with four Access Categories (AC)
  - EDCF supports eight different priorities

# Related work

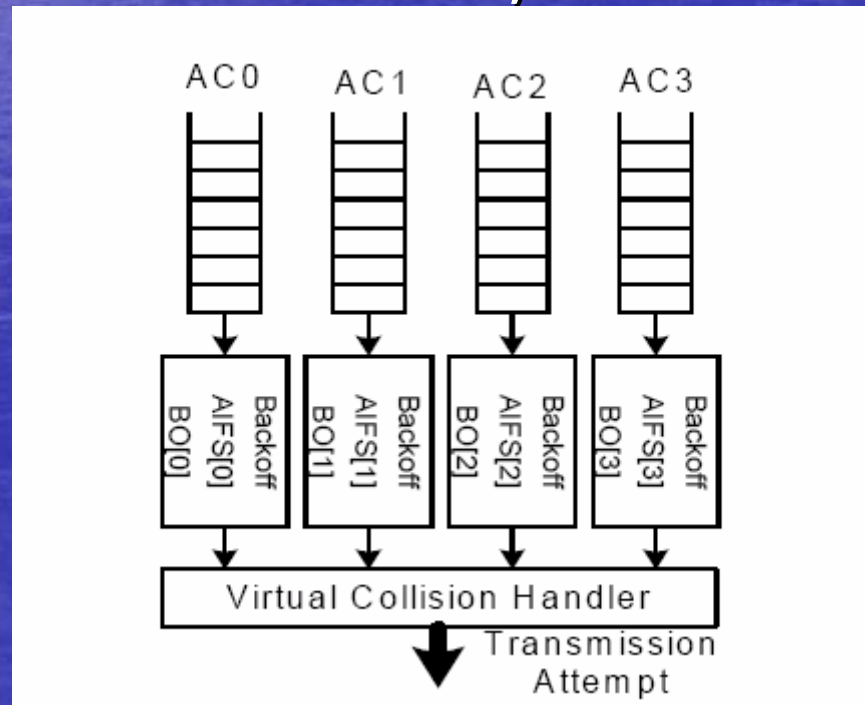
- EDCF priority table
  - The payload from a higher layer is labeled with a priority value

TABLE 1  
PRIORITY TO ACCESS CATEGORY MAPPING

PRIORITY	AC	DESIGNATION
1	0	BEST EFFORT
2	0	BEST EFFORT
0	0	BEST EFFORT
3	1	VIDEO PROBE
4	2	VIDEO
5	2	VIDEO
6	3	VOICE
7	3	VOICE

# Related work

- Each queue has its own back-off counter  $BO[i]$  ( $i=1..3$ )
- Each AC has its own AIFS , Contention window



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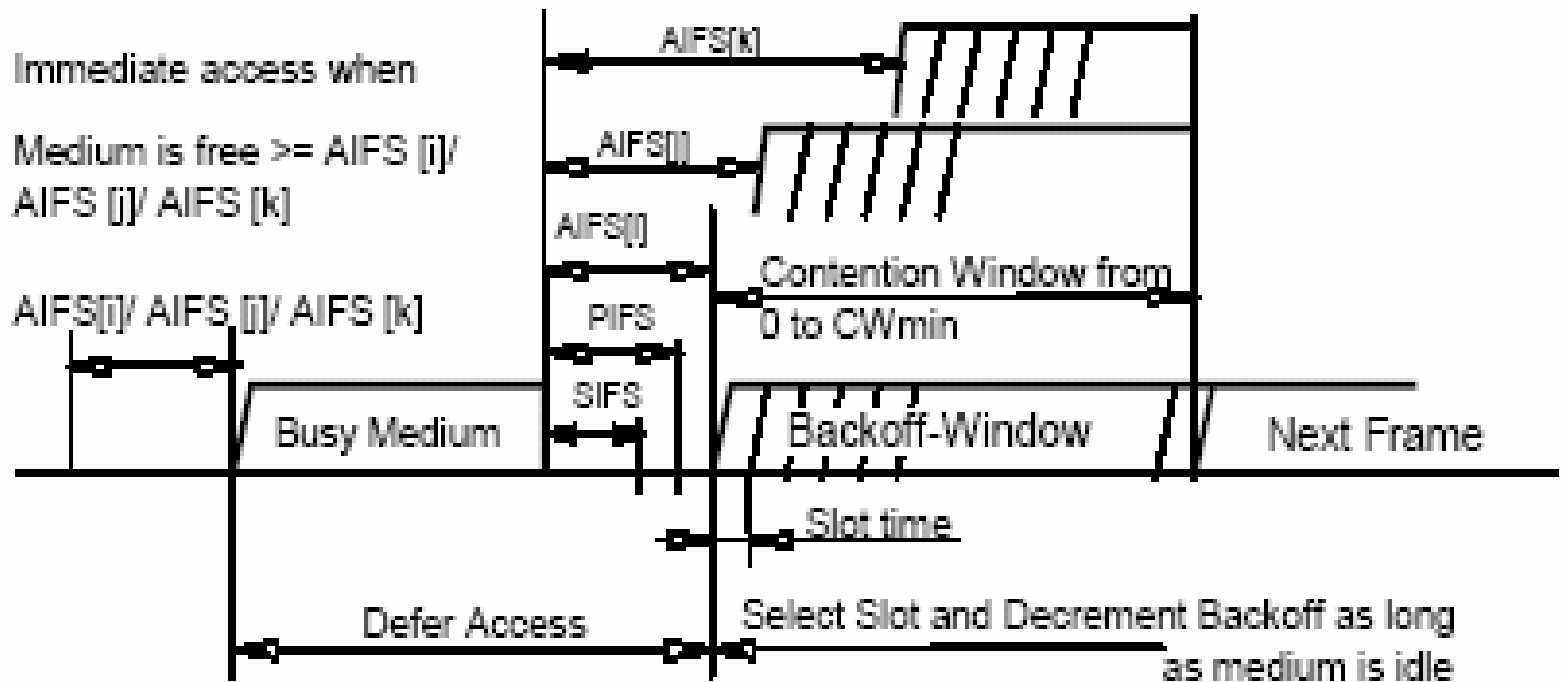


Fig. 2 EDCF timing diagram

$$CW[i] \geq CW[j] \quad AIFS[i] \geq AIFS[j] \quad 0 \leq i < j \leq 3$$



# The first-level protection and guarantee



- CW
- AIFS
- TXOPBudget
- SurplusFactor
- TxTime

TxUsed  
TxSuccess  
TxLimit  
TxRemainde  
TxMemory

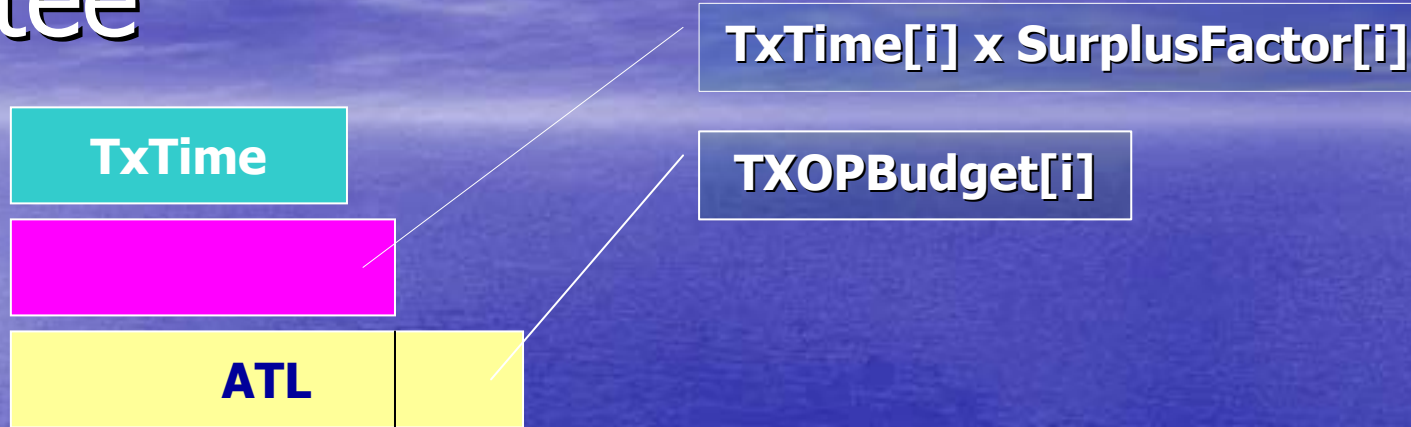


# The first-level protection and guarantee

Procedure at QoS AP :

- The QoS Parameter set element provides information needed by station
- Include CW , AIFS
  - TXOPBudget
  - SurplusFactor
  - TxTime
- $TXOPBudget[i] = \text{Max}(ATL[i] - TxTime[i] \times SurplusFactor[i], 0)$   
(ATL[i] is for the maximum time used for transmission)

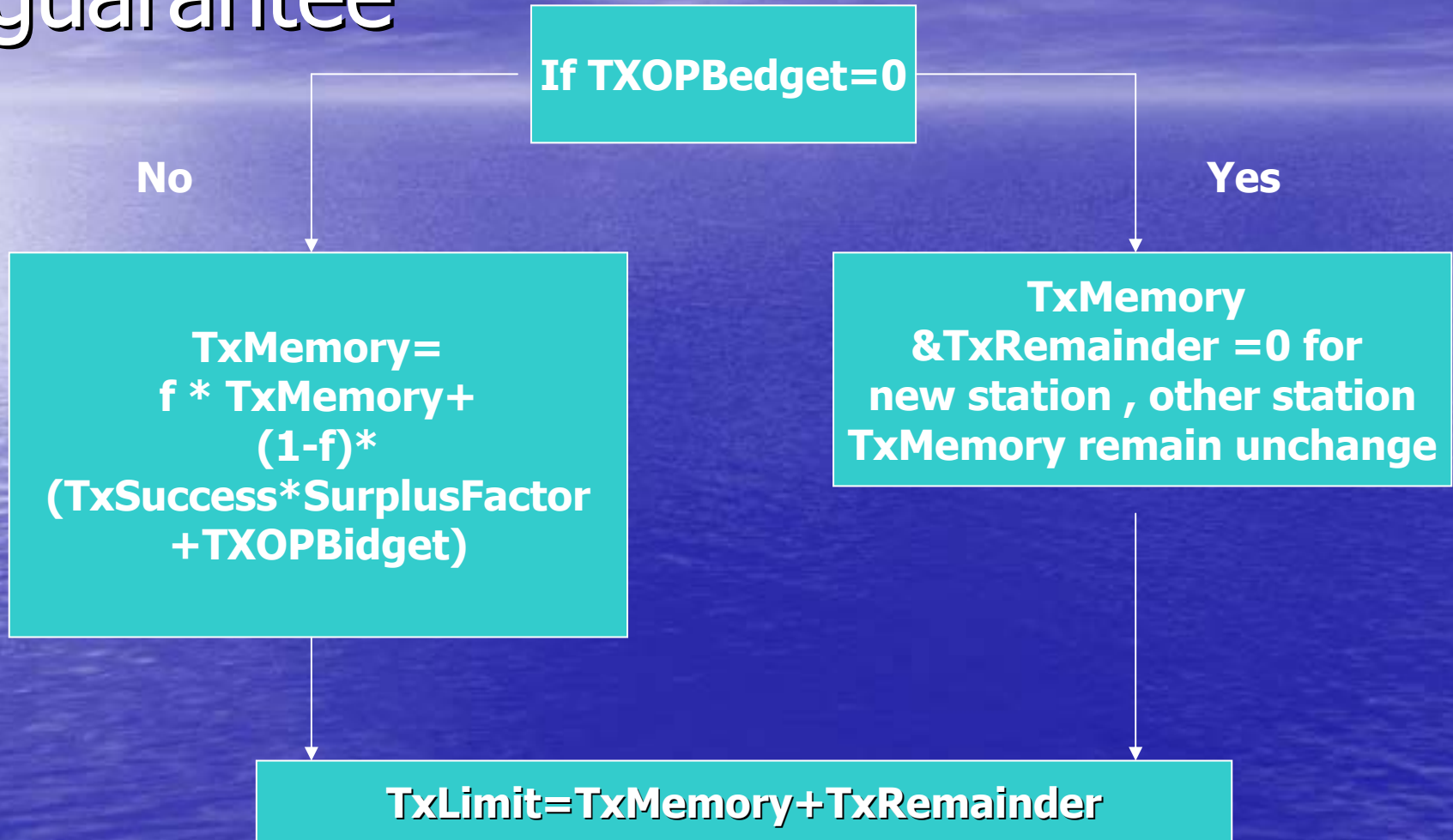
# The first-level protection and guarantee



## Procedure at Station

- Maintain local variable for each AC
  - TxUsed
  - TxSuccess
  - TxLimit
  - TxRemainder ( TxLimit-TxUsed)
  - TxMemory

# The first-level protection and guarantee



# The first-level protection and guarantee

- As long as the transmission budget is larger than zero , TxMemory and TxLimit need be adjusted periodically
- Tried and known :

$$\text{If } \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \text{Throughout}[j]}{k} \leq \alpha T_{\min} \quad \text{and/or} \quad \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \text{Delay}[j]}{k} \geq \beta D_{\max}$$

$0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $\beta > 1$  then this flow rejects itself

# The first-level protection and guarantee

- Early Protection
  - If  $TOXPBudget < Request\_Budget * \Phi$   
=> new flow can't allowed enter
  - If  $TOXPBudget > Request\_Budget * \Phi$   
=> TxMemory is set  
 $0 \sim TXOPBdget/Surplusfactor$
- When the budget is below some threshold, new flows can't enter

# The Second-level protection and guarantee

- The traffic control with TxLimit will cause unfairness among stations
  - =>New stations can't transmit, then suffering from starvation if all the budget for data traffic
- Our approach is to dynamically control data traffic parameter

# The Second-level protection and guarantee

- Dynamically adjusting parameter when fail

$$CW \text{ min} = \theta * CW \text{ min}(\theta > 1)$$

$$AIFS = \lambda * AIFS(\lambda > 1)$$

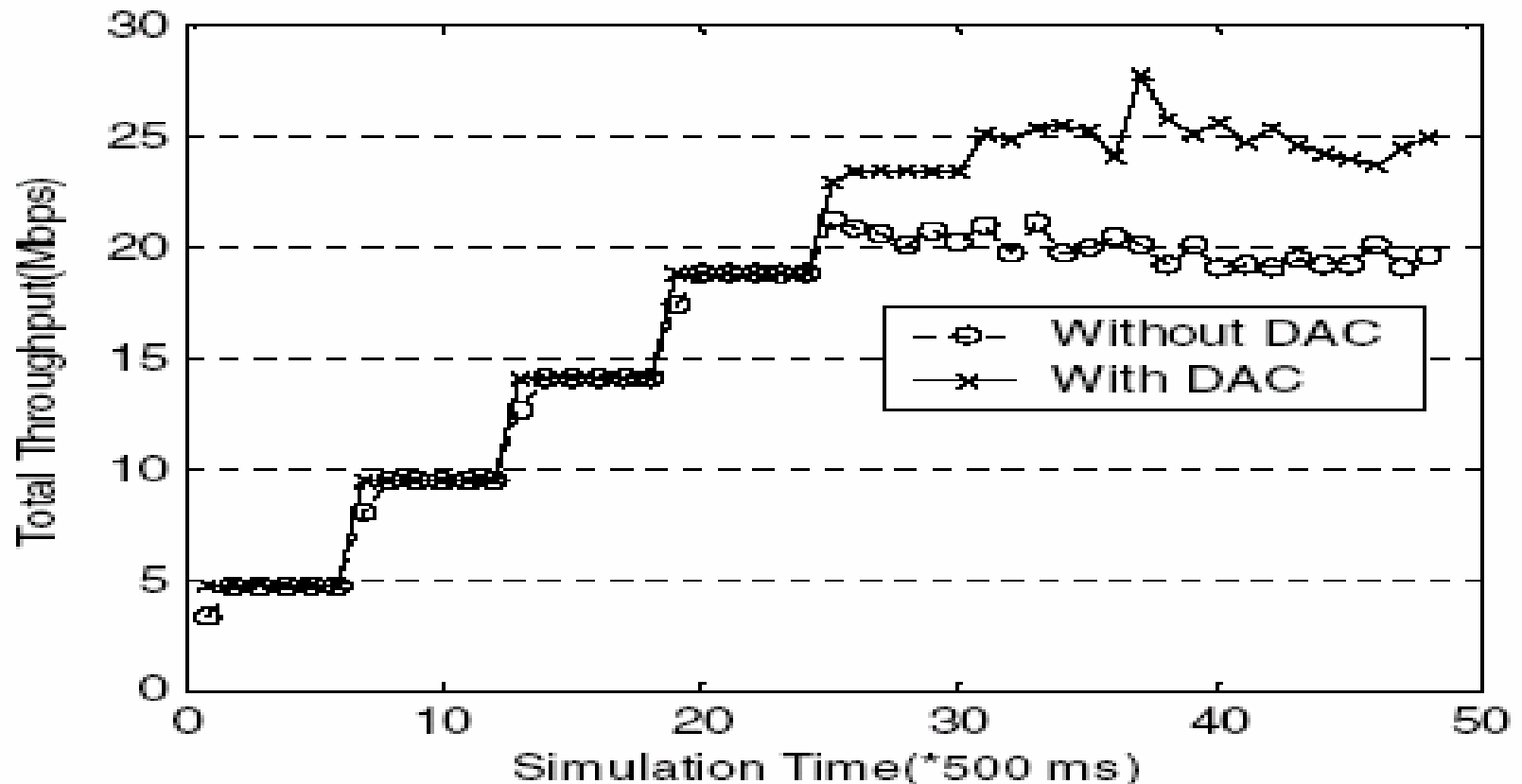
- Dynamically adjusting parameter when consecutive successful

$$CW \text{ min} = CW \text{ min} / \theta(\theta > 1)$$

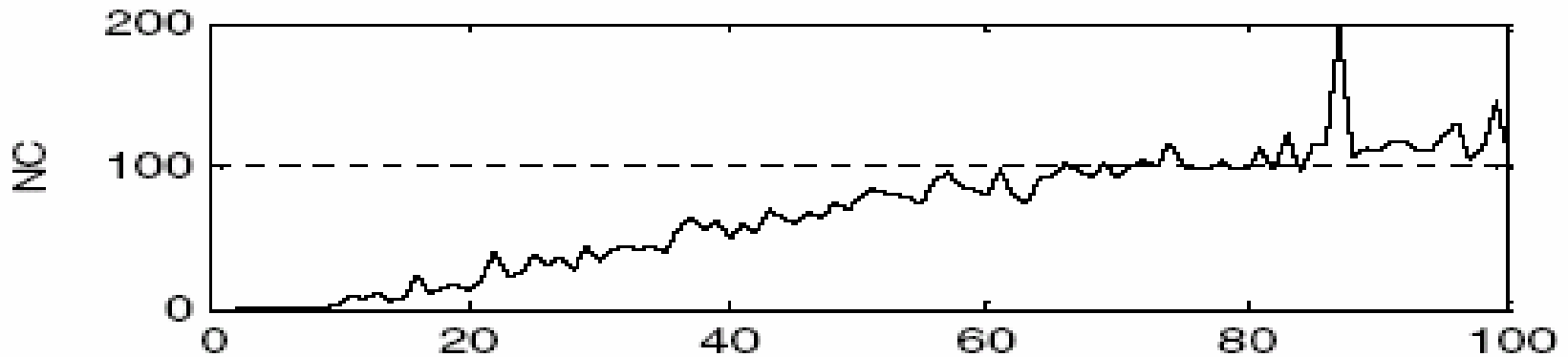
$$AIFS = AIFS / \lambda(\lambda > 1)$$



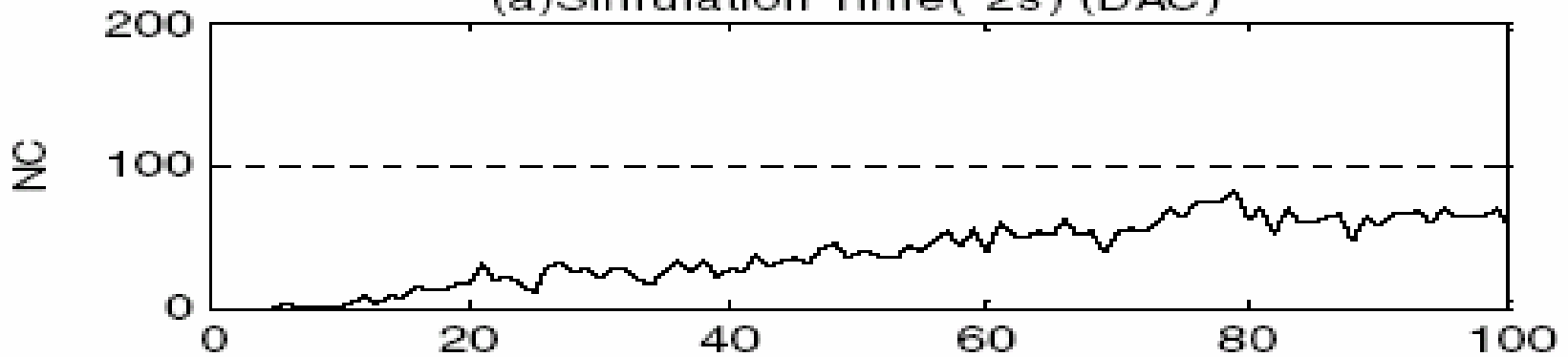
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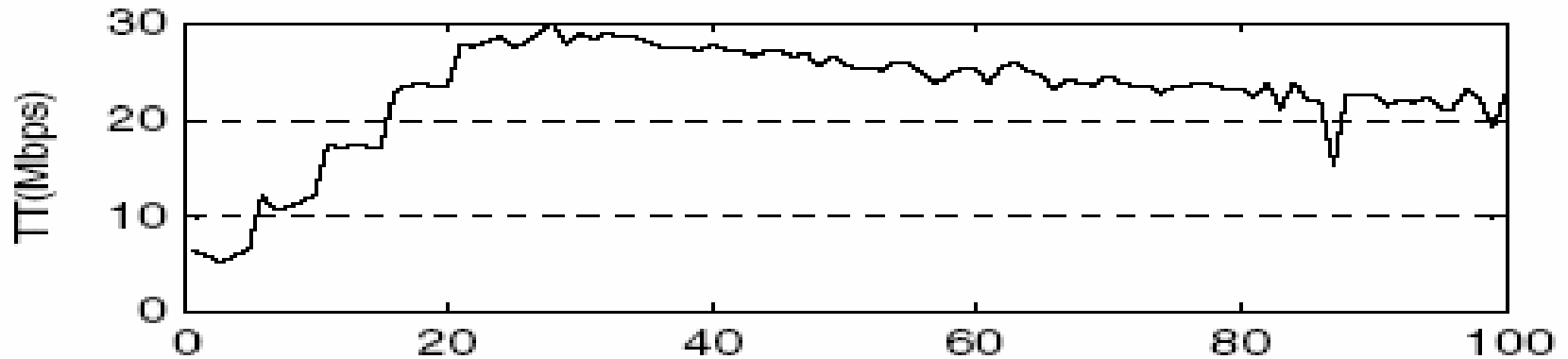


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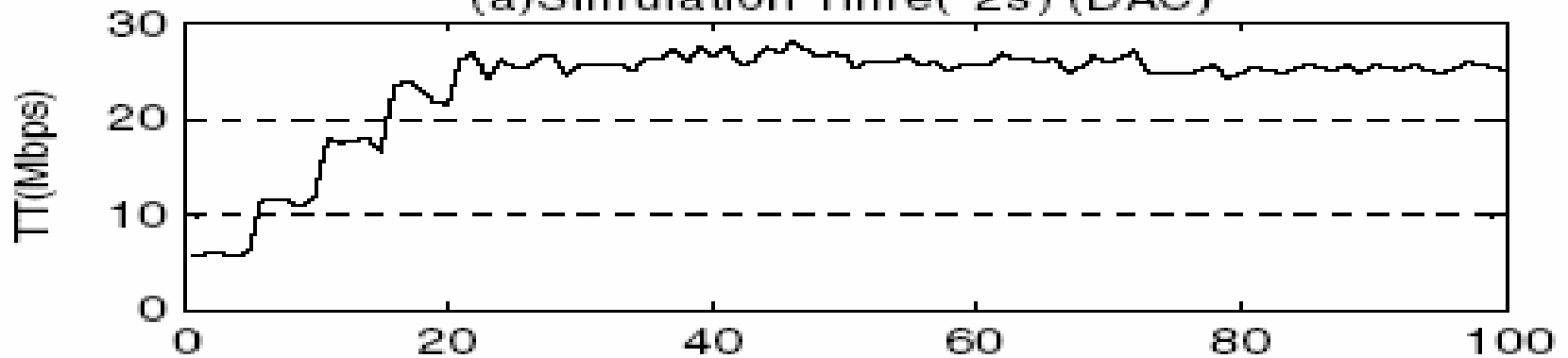


(b) Simulation Time (\*2s) (DAC + ETD + ENB + BF + DAFS)

# Performance evaluation



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(b) Simulation Time e(\*2s) (DAC + ETD + ENB + BF + DAFS)

# Conclusion

- In this paper , a two-level protection and guarantee mechanism be proposed for QoS requirement in wireless LANs