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Smart Routing Protocol for WSN: An Energy and Load Balancing Platform



Abstract: - The longevity of a tuner sensor system is significantly impacted by three critical factors: node gathering, routing pattern determination, and collection maintenance. In addition to these three characteristics, this study presents a clustered routing protocol that uses fuzzy logic to improve network load balancing and energy efficiency. The routing algorithm chooses the best CHs and establishes the best routing paths by figuring out the most optimal route. Fuzzy logic rules founded on a distinct fitness purpose that takes load complementary, lowest energy consumption, and new determination conditions into account enable the algorithm to rapidly converge. In addition, an energy-efficient adaptive behavior is offered to maintain the clusters while reducing energy usage even more. The suggested approach outdoes LEACH, PEGASIS, and Q Learning-based steering techniques in terms of energy efficiency, load matching, meeting haste, and longevity, according to simulation data.

Keywords: WSNs, clustering, multi-hop routing, energy and load balancing CHs.

I. INTRODUCTION

Wireless sensor networks (WSNs) find extensive application in conservational monitoring, intellectual transportation, disaster prevention, and space examination, owing to the rapid advancements in information technology. WSNs comprise various sensors coordinated into hubs, with energy conservation being a critical concern to enhance network longevity, given the limited resources and energy of WSN nodes. Clustering of nodes and selection of cluster heads (CHs) to supervise clusters form the basis of energy-efficient clustering routing, which has proven to be efficient, reliable, and scalable. One of the pioneering protocols in WSN clustering routing is the LEACH, known for its advantages such as reduced overhead, balanced energy distribution, and prolonged network lifetime. However, LEACH suffers from issues such as random CH selection, fixed round time leading to increased control message overhead, and uneven energy consumption.

Substantial efforts have been made to improve LEACH's performance through various approaches, resulting in significant advancements in clustered routing techniques. The typical stages of clustering routing include gathering, routing, and gathering preservation. The selection of CHs and building of collections are fundamental steps in clustering, with multiple approaches available for CH selection categorized into probability-based, weight-based, and heuristic-based techniques. Probability-based methods designate nodes as CHs based on threshold values, while weight-based techniques choose nodes with large weights as CHs to address premature node death issues. However, both approaches may not effectively solve the NP-hard problem for clustering and can be challenging due to local decision-making and network dynamics.

On the other hand, NP-hard problems can be roughly solved using heuristic-based techniques such as fuzzy logic derivation, PSO, bat algorithm, genetic algorithm, differential evolution, and consensus search. To find the best CHs, these heuristic algorithms use either local or global search techniques. The uniform and energy-efficient clusters are formed by each selected CH broadcasting an advertisement message; the normal nodes pick the CHs according to residual energy and received signal intensity. Routing pathways are generated using weight-based and heuristic-based techniques, which are similar to cluster selection techniques. These methods assign weights to potential relay nodes based on factors such as the distance to the next hop CHs and the remaining energy in the future hop CHs. However, because of network dynamics and local navigation, choosing the optimal routing paths is difficult. Therefore, to determine the best routing patterns for each CH and encourage balanced energy usage and an extended network lifetime, methods including fuzzy logic, PSO, ant colony optimization, and GA are used. To maintain balanced energy consumption among nodes, cluster maintenance involves rotating CHs

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periodically. Traditional approaches, such as LEACH, use fixed round times for cluster reformation, but determining the ideal round time poses challenges and can lead to untimely depletion of CHs with low residual energy, halting communication. Variable round time or CH substitution strategies are proposed to address this issue, preventing the premature depletion of CHs and ensuring normal network communication. These approaches significantly reduce the number of rotations, minimize energy ingesting, and prolong the network's generation.

Fuzzy Logic based directing procedure:

The recommended routing protocol, an energy-efficient fuzzy logic-based cluster-based routing system for wireless networks, is explained in this section. Within the network, devices can communicate locally to improve next-hop selection and optimize energy consumption. Every device in the vicinity that is capable of overhearing a packet uses the information included in the packet header to adjust its routing table. The packet header contains the sender's local data, including device ID, remaining energy, position coordinates, and hop count. This method has three parts, similar to previous cluster-based routing systems: network configuration (including cluster head election), data transmission, and cluster construction.

(a) Network Setup and Cluster Head Election: This phase involves two parts. Initially, devices compute their initial fitness value using local information obtained during network setup. The base station initiates this process by broadcasting its position coordinates in a heartbeat transmission. Equations (1), (2), and (3) are used by each device to determine the initial fitness value based on its early vigor level and hop count when it receives the packet from the base position. The device also records the position of the sender. CHs and the base position are unglued by a distance threshold in order to reduce network overhead and accommodate sensors located far from the station. It is also expected that the energy levels of each gadget fluctuate. Equation 1 represents the average deviation of the regular remaining power chosen to each load on a CH:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^r \left(\frac{E_{residual}(h_i)}{n_L(h_i)} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r E_{residual}(h_i)}{r} \right)^2}{r}}$$

where r is the amount of rounds enclosed, $E_{residual}(h_i)$ is the remaining power of CH h_i , and $n_L(h_i)$ is load on CH h_i

n_L = Load = Quantity of packets poised at the cluster head for distribution the base station.

NH=Number of hop counts = D_{link}/TX_{range} (2)

Dropping the broadcast distance amid nodes when they transmit information to the cluster head can lead to the clustering of WSN nodes into tight clusters, thereby decreasing communication energy consumption within each cluster. The clustering loss meaning is characterized by Equation (3):

$$J_m = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^C u_{ij}^m \|x_i - c_j\|^2, \quad 1 \leq m \leq \infty$$

In Equation (3), x_i signifies the i th model point, c_j revenue the j th cluster center, $\|x_i - c_j\|$ signifies the distance amid the cluster center and example i . The grade of model i 's connotation in the j th cluster center is signified by u_{ij} . N signifies the amount of samples, CCC indicates the quantity of clusters, and m_j , means the allowance factor with a value of 2.

The gathering technique involves continuous repetition aimed at minimizing the clustering loss purpose J_m . Each iteration leads to an update of the association matrix.

Equation for choosing the best route is:

$$y = F(\sigma, NH, J_m)$$

In the fuzzy logic-based choice scheme for selecting cluster heads, the variable y represents whether a node is chosen as a cluster head or not. When $y=1$, it indicates that the node is not designated as a cluster head, whereas $y=0$, denotes that the node is chosen as a cluster head.

Results and discussion:

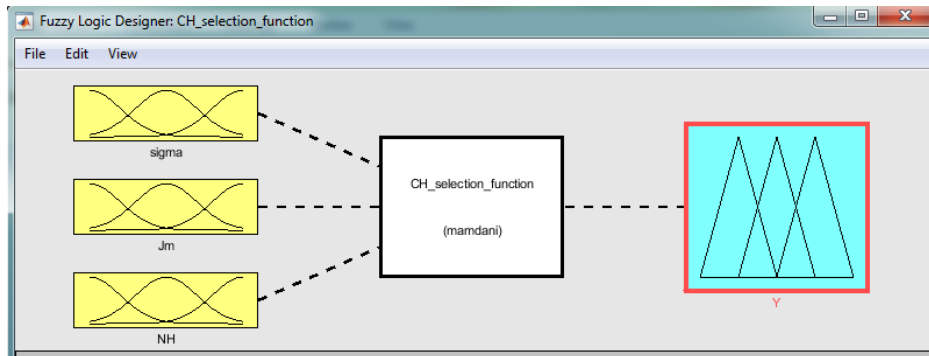


Fig 1: Planned fuzzy logic based choice model

Sensing field size 100.0 ×100.0 m

Number of devices [30.0–100.0]

Transmission range 20.0 m

Initial energy [1-2] joules

Data size 4000 bits

Eelec 50.0 ×10-9 joules/bit

E_{amp} 100.0 ×10-12 joules/bit/m²

Routing Criteria:

The routing method for data transfer involves several rules. When a sensor node runs out of energy, it is first considered inactive and cannot provide any data. Conversely, devices within the transmission range of the base station and nodes with the highest degree of membership as potential cluster heads can communicate directly with the base station, negating the requirement for an intermediary node. When the cluster head is farther away, nodes farther from the base station may relay packets through the closest node in the same cluster.

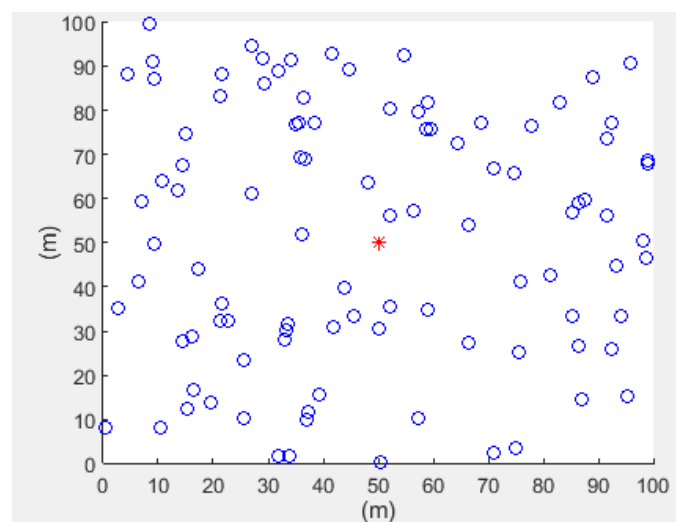


Figure 2: WSN under contemplation

Table: system lifetime enclosed under dissimilar structures and number of nodes

	Number of Nodes:			
	30	50	70	100
Scheme:				
Q learning	713	897	1321	1427
PEGASIS	584	635	655	672
LEACH	433	484	1237	792
PROPOSED	1871	1935	1776	1576

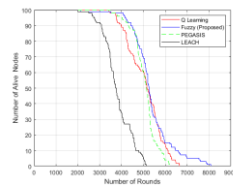


Figure 3: Difference of sum of alive bulges with respect to amount of rounds.

After more than 8000 rounds, all nodes in the suggested fuzzy-based routing technique are seen to be inactive. This shows how the number of active nodes varies with admiration to the number of circles.

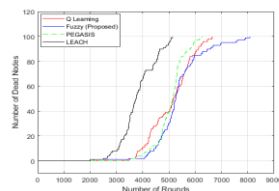


Figure 4: Difference of number of bulges with admiration to amount of rounds.

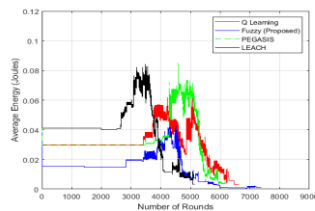


Figure 5: Difference of amount of average vitalities with approbation to amount of rounds.

The planned fuzzy-based steering method demonstrates a minimum vigor consumption per round associated to other algorithms. This trend is observed across varying numbers of rounds, highlighting the effectiveness of the fuzzy-based approach in conserving energy.

Conclusions and Future Considerations

In this study, we introduced a cluster-based energy-efficient routing approach using fuzzy logic, aiming to optimize data transmission channels and prolong network lifetime while minimizing energy consumption. Our proposed protocol demonstrated superior scalability compared to existing designs. The routing strategy involved three key steps: network setup, cluster head (CH) election, and optimization. Initially, the CH election phase utilized initial energy levels and hop count factors to calculate the fitness value. Subsequently, each CH invited nearby devices to form clusters, with remote devices joining the cluster of the nearest CH to the base station. Finally, learning-driven methods were used in the data transmission phase to determine energy-efficient routing paths that took into account both the amount of hops and the residual vigor of the device. Furthermore, a threshold for energy cutoff was established for CH substitution. The simulation results demonstrated our method's advantages over LEACH, Q knowledge, and PEGASIS in terms of network longevity and energy consumption. To further enhance the routing system, future work will incorporate additional factors and optimizations.

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