

An Enhanced Clustering Algorithm With Fuzzy Logic

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Abstract

All nodes in a network can be organized in hierarchical structures called clusters. Each cluster consists of a cluster head and several member nodes. The member nodes collect data and send it to their cluster heads. The cluster head aggregates and transmits the data to the Base Station. The energy consumption of cluster heads is higher than that for member nodes. Clustering algorithms are required which can efficiently utilize the energy of nodes so that life of network can be increased.

Each non-Cluster Heads selects the best Cluster Head by considering residual energy of Cluster Head and a distance from non- Cluster Heads to Base Station (Sink). These two member functions i.e. residual energy of Cluster Head and a distance from non- Cluster Head to Base Station (Sink) are used in Fuzzy System to give the best probability results for a cluster head to be elected.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A wireless sensor network (WSN) consists of a large number of miniaturized sensor nodes which collect data from environment and send them to the base station via radio transmitter [1]. To keep the cost and size of these sensors small, they are equipped with small batteries, which restrict them to have limited power and computational capacity. This puts significant constraints on the power available for communications, and affects the data rate as well as transmission range [2]. However, against such limitations, WSNs can be used in various applications such as military, biomedical, and environmental applications [3].

Clustering provides an efficient way to save energy inside WSNs and enables efficient resource allocation and it also improves the WSN's scalability. Generally, clustering in WSNs is defined as the process of dividing the network nodes into groups, where each group agrees on a central node, called the cluster head [4]. The cluster head or CH acts as a bridge between other sensor nodes and base station and sometimes between one cluster head and other cluster head in multi-hop cases [5]. Cluster heads have responsibility of locality preserving, adding or leaving of nodes, scheduling time slots for each node, data aggregation and management of messages between nodes and base station [4, 6, 7].

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

In the literature, clustering attributes in WSNs, generally, can be roughly classified into cluster characteristics, cluster-head characteristics, clustering process and entire proceeding of the algorithm. In this section, we discuss a lot of detailed clustering attributes for WSNs, and propose a more comprehensive and fine-grained taxonomy compared to that of previous work. The categories included in the taxonomy are individually analyzed in the subsections that follow.

2.1 Classification of Clustering Attributes in WSNs

The Attributes for clustering are classified according to:

- Cluster Characteristics
- Cluster-Head Characteristics
- Clustering Process
- Entire Proceeding of Algorithm

2.2 Taxonomy of Clustering Methods in WSNs

In this subsection, we integrate the set of attributes that can be use to categorize and differentiate clustering methods for WSNs. Based on the discussion above, a relatively comprehensive and fine-grained taxonomy of clustering methods in WSNs is proposed, which is summarized in Figure 2.1.

2.3 Analysis of Prominent Clustering Routing Protocols in WSNs

In this section, we present a more comprehensive and critical survey of prominent clustering routing protocols for WSNs compared with previous work. We analyze 16 classical WSN clustering routing algorithms in detail based on the classification of different algorithm-stages.

III. Problem Statement

LEACH or Low Energy Adaptive Clustering Hierarchy is proposed by Heinzelman et al. in [8]. In this protocol, time is divided into consecutive rounds and each round is consisting of set-up phase and steady state phase.

In set-up phase, cluster heads are elected and clusters are formed. In steady state phase, environmental data are sensed and transmitted to the cluster head. After a cluster head receives its members' data, it aggregates them and sends it to the sink. At the start of each set-up phase, each sensor node generates a random number between 0 and 1

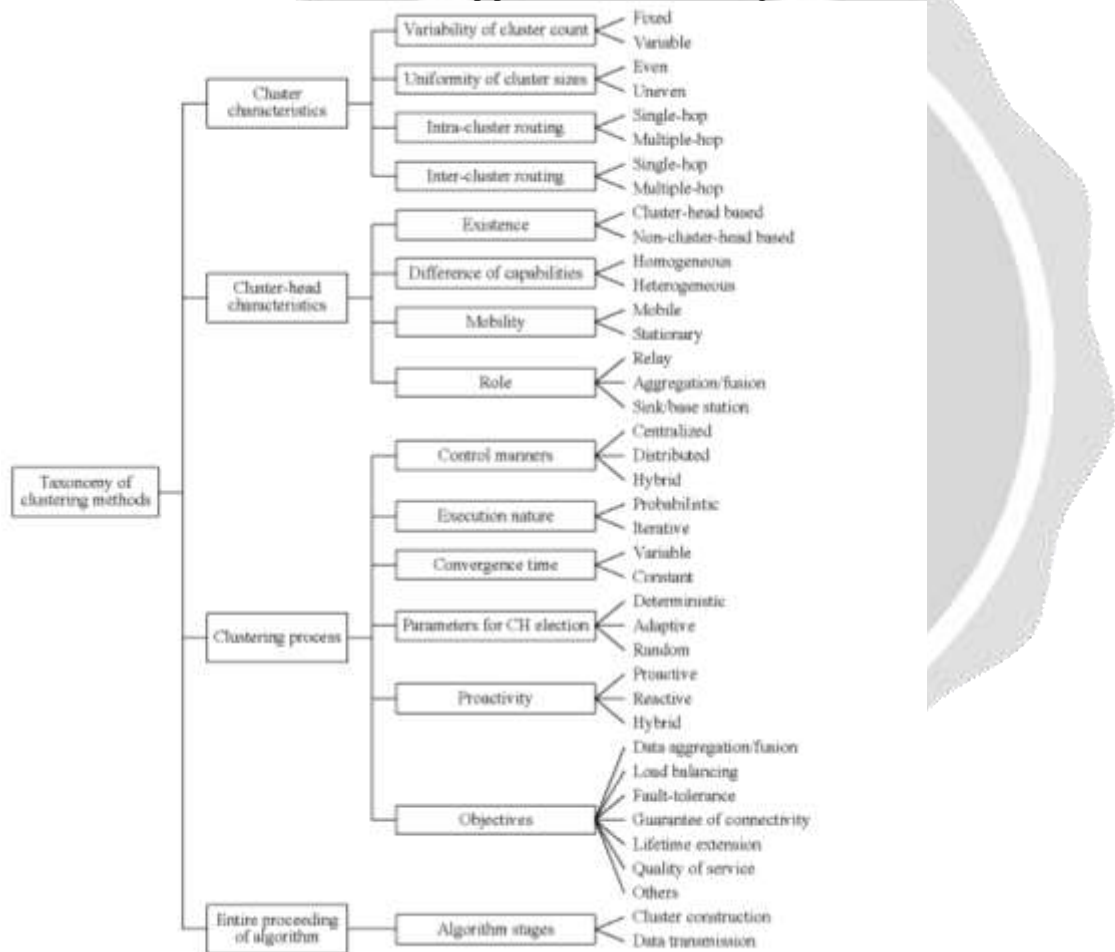


Figure 2.1: Taxonomy of Clustering Methods in WSNs

to determine it will become a cluster-head or not, then compares this number with the threshold value $T(n)$ which is computed by the following equation:

Where P is the desired percentage of cluster heads, $r =$ current round, and G is the set of nodes that have not been cluster-heads in the last $1/P$ rounds. If the number chosen by each node is less than the threshold value $T(n)$, the node becomes a CH for that current round[11].

Although, LEACH is a reliable clustering and routing protocol in WSNs, it applies a probabilistic cluster head selection method which as indicated in Figure 2, it may cause the following problem:

- Because each node independently selects itself as cluster heads, the cluster heads may be positioned near to each other.
- Some nodes which have fewer neighboring nodes may be elected as cluster heads and network may not be utilized form advantages of data aggregation.
- Random selection of cluster heads does not create symmetric clusters and this may increase the total distance of nodes to cluster heads communications. As the distance of communications is increased more energy should be consumed to transfer the sensed data to cluster heads which this finally reduces the network lifetime.

IV. PROPOSED WORK

4.1 Objectives

In this research we study few of clustering Routing techniques in WSN. The summarized of goal of work for the dissertation as follows.

- To study the existing techniques of clustering in Wireless Sensor Networks.
- To propose and implement energy efficient based method for clustering.
- To compare the existing technique with the proposed technique using the parameter Energy Consumption per Round.

4.2. Research Methodology

In hierarchical architectures, the nodes are divided into clusters and a set of nodes is periodically elected as a CH. cluster heads (CHs) are used for more complex tasks, such as: the management of each cluster, collecting data from non-CHs, data aggregation, and sending the collected data to the BS. In this context, it is important to use multiple metrics for cluster head (CH) election to provide an energy-efficient and load balance model. Furthermore, the cluster formation process can lead to poor energy use, if the cluster heads (CHs) that are elected are only based on a single metric. In this context, CLENER [19] proposes an equation, which is used by nodes to enable them to become a CH.

4.2.1 Cluster head (CH) election

During the initialization of the network, base station broadcasts a startup message, which enables the node to compute the distance to BS. Following this, the nodes are able to adjust the transmission power according to distance, which reduces the energy consumption since higher transmission power consumes more energy.

After adjusting the transmission power, each node generates a random number (μ), which ranges from 0 to 1. Then, the node decides to become a cluster head (CH) by comparing μ with the $T(n)$, which is computed by means of Equation 1. If μ is less than $T(n)$, the node becomes a cluster head (CH) for the current round.

$$T(n) = \eta \frac{p}{1 - p \left(r \bmod \frac{1}{p} \right)} + \alpha \left(1 - e^{\frac{-RE^2}{2\sigma_{re}^2 RE}} \right) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Where η and α are weights to give importance, the sum is exactly 1. The Residual Energy is denoted as RE , and σ_{re} means the energy variance, which is used to produce better cluster head (CH) candidates.

Equation 1 uses a gauss function, due to the fact that has better result in terms of energy efficiency and representation in the context of an imprecise environment.

Now, the node that becomes cluster head (CH) broadcasts a cluster head (CH) *message*, which contains the value of its remaining energy. Then, cluster head (CH) waits for a *join message* from the non-CH nodes. However, if the cluster heads (CHs) do not receive a *join message*, this cluster head (CH) should not become CH.

4.2.2 Cluster Formation

In present work author had used three linguistic input variables of the system are the remaining energy which can be expressed in percentages, the distance between non-CH and cluster head (CH) (expressed in meters) and the distance between cluster head (CH) and Base Station (expressed in meters). The specifications related for the input and output functions of the system and their respective Linguistic Values (LV) are as follows:

Residual energy: $u = [0,100]$: LV = low, average, high;

Distance: $u = [0,100]$: LV = small, average, big;

Probability: $u = (0,1]$: LV = very high, Medium high, high, moderately medium, fairly medium, medium, moderately low, low, very low.

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4.3 Design & Implementation

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The rules are determined on the basis of an analysis of the whole network behavior through extensive simulations over time. They result in a class of higher probability, ensure an excellent chance these nodes will be elected, and differentiate depending on their distance from each CH. Table 4.1 shows the fuzzy inference rules used in the system.

Table 4.1: Fuzzy Inference Rules

Energy	Distance	Probability	
High	Small	very high	$y=1$
High	Average	high	$y=0.9$
High	Big	moderately high	$y=0.8$
average	Small	fairly high	$y=0.6$
average	Average	average	$y=0.5$
average	Big	fairly low	$y=0.2$
Low	high	moderately low	$y=0.1$
Low	average	low	$y=0.07$
Low	low	very low	$y=0.02$

The use of fuzzy logic is appropriate, whenever it is not possible to employ a mathematical model for the system. Additionally, fuzzy can reduce the complexity of the model, computational effort and memory TS receive context information from nodes as input and converts into fuzzy linguistic variable input. The Algorithm of the proposed model is given in figure 4.2.

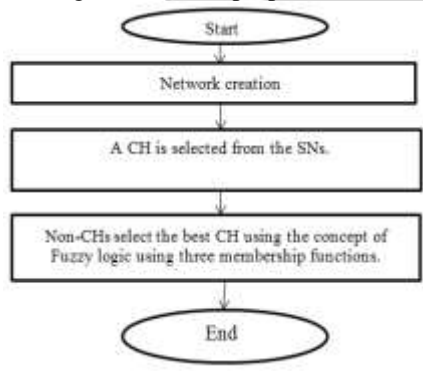


Figure 4.2: Cluster-based approach for energy-efficiency

V. RESULTS

The basic parameters used for simulations are listed in table 5.1.

Table 5.1: Parameters employed in Simulation

Parameter	Value
Field Size	50m X 50m
Location of Base Station	25m X 25m
No. of Nodes	100
Probability of cluster	0.1
Initial Energy of sensor node	20 J
The Data packet Size	4000 bits
Delta T	10
η	0.4
α	0.6
E_{fs}	10 J/bit/m ²
E_{mp}	0.0013 J/bit/m ⁴

Based on these parameters author will carry out the simulations. These parameters are taken after studying different research papers used in Wireless sensor network.

Figure 5.1 shows the comparison of energy consumed by both old scheme and new scheme. It shows that the new scheme is more energy efficient than the traditional old scheme.

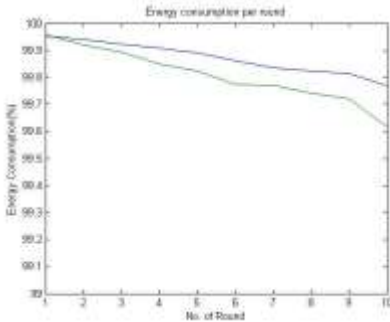


Figure 5.1: Comparison of Energy Consumption

Table 5.1 is showing the average energy Consumption of old and proposed scheme which gives the results that proposed scheme is consuming almost 50% (Approx.) less energy as compared to old scheme. Also the standard deviation for energy consumption of proposed scheme is 30 % (approx.) less.

Table 5.1: Comparison of Energy Consumption & Standard Deviation

Scheme	Round no.	Energy (%)	Energy consumption (%)	Difference in Energy consumption (%)	Standard Deviation
Old	1	99.96	0.34	188.89	0.10
	10	99.62			
Proposed	1	99.95	0.18		
	10	99.77			

V. CONCLUSION & FUTURE SCOPE

5.1 Conclusion

In New scheme fuzzy logic is used in which non-CHs select the best cluster head (CH) by considering residual energy of cluster head (CH) and a distance from non-CH to Base Station (Sink).

The use of fuzzy logic is suitable, whenever it is not possible to use a mathematical model for the system. Additionally, fuzzy can reduce the complexity of the model, computational effort and memory. Energy consumption is affected by message communication between nodes, so our technique is efficient than traditional old scheme.

5.2 Future Work

A further direction of this study can be that the chosen cluster head should be given an extra amount of energy at the time when it will get selected as cluster head. It is for long life of cluster head and Network.

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