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# A Brief Journey through "Green Communications and Networking"

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### Introduction

As concerns about climate change, rising fossil fuel prices and energy security increase, companies and governments around the world are committing great efforts to develop new technologies for the green strategies addressing climate change globally and facilitating low greenhouse gas (GHG) development. Currently, the GHG emissions produced by the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) industry alone are said to be equivalent to the GHG emissions of the entire aviation industry. It is estimated that one small computer server generates as much GHG as a sport utility vehicle (SUV). Furthermore, with the increasing demand for higher data rates, the energy consumption for the ICT industry is increasing by 16-20% per year, and the energy costs for mobile network operators can already be as high as half of their annual operating budgets. The role of ICT includes not only the emission reduction and energy savings in ICT products and services, but also enabling low carbon emissions in other industries, such as electric power smart grids. Indeed, networks are crucial technologies for a smart power grid, which monitors, protects and optimizes the operation of its interconnected elements from end to end, with two-way flow of electricity and information to create an automated and distributed energy delivery network.

The contributed articles in this book from the leading experts in this field cover different aspects of modeling, analysis, design, management, deployment, and optimization of algorithms, protocols, and architectures of green viii Preface

communications and networking. In particular, the topics include energy efficiency, resource management, relay techniques, cross-layer design and optimization, rate adaptation, graph-theoretic approach, router architecture, dynamic scheduling, smart grid communications, demand and response in smart grids, and wireless networks in the smart grid environment. A summary of all of the chapters is provided in the following sections.

# PART I: Green Wireless Communications and Networking

As the first chapter of this book, Chapter 1, authored by A. Attar, H. Li and V. C. M. Leung, introduces a novel solution, named broadband wireless access with fiber-connected massively distributed antennas (BWA-FMDA) to deliver green last-mile access. The advantages of BWA-FMDA architecture are its flexibility of deployment, scalability of coverage from a few meters for indoor access to several kilometers for outdoor communications and superior performance in terms of throughput as well as power efficiency. The focus of this chapter is mainly on power saving capabilities of BWA-FMDA compared with state-of-the-art last mile access solutions. In particular they compare the power consumption model for several last-mile solutions and demonstrate that through integrating optical fibers with wireless access a more power efficient access solution can be envisioned which also enhances the network throughput.

Chapter 2, authored by X. Zhang and W. Cheng, develops a Demanding-Based Resources Trading (DBRT) model for green communications. They propose a mechanism to minimize the energy consumption of wireless networks without compromising the quality-of-service (QoS) for users. Applying the DBRT model, they develop a novel scheme - Wireless Networks Resources Trading, which characterizes the trading relationships among different wireless resources for a given number of QoS performance metrics. According to wireless networks resources trading relationships, different wireless resources can be consumed to meet the same set of QoS performance metrics. Therefore, to minimize the energy consumption for given QoS performance metrics. they can trade the other type of wireless networks resources for the energy resources while satisfying the demanded QoS performance metrics. Based on the developed wireless networks resources trading relationships, this chapter derives the optimal energy-bandwidth, energy-time, energy-space and energycode wireless networks resources trading relationships for green wireless networks. Two example-case studies are also conducted to show how to use the available bandwidth or the acceptable delay bound to achieve the minimum energy consumption while guaranteeing the required QoS performance metrics in wireless networks.

Chapter 3, authored by Y. Qi, F. Héliot, M. A. Imran and R. Tafazolli, analyzes the relaying technique at link and system levels from both spectrum efficiency (Se) and energy efficiency (EE) perspectives. A thorough investi-

gation will be provided for a variety of approaches at the relay node (RN) to forward information including amplify-and-forward (AF), decoding-and-forward (DF), compress-and-forward (CF). Advanced relaying schemes, where the conventional relaying schemes are combined in a hybrid manner to adapt to the variations of the channel states, are introduced and investigated. Furthermore, the relaying techniques are combined with retransmission protocols for packet oriented communication systems and a study from spectrum and energy efficiency perspectives is presented. Finally, this chapter also addresses the challenge of designing and positioning RNs in a state-of-the-art wireless cellular system, namely LTE system, coupled with practical power consumption models.

Chapter 4, authored by T. Zhu, S. Xiao and C. Zhou, introduces (i) energy-efficient hardware platforms, (ii) energy-efficient MAC, (iii) energy-efficient networking, and (iv) energy-efficient applications. In addition, motivated by the insufficiency of link-layer designs, the authors introduce cross-layer optimization in energy static low-duty-cycle wireless networks. The cross-layer design in energy dynamic low-duty-cycle wireless networks is also studied in this chapter.

Chapter 5, authored by Z. Zhao, Z. Dou and Y. Shu, studies energy-efficient rate adaptation in long-distance wireless mesh (LDmesh) networks. The authors propose an efficient probing algorithm to obtain the Frame Delivery Ratio (FDR)-Received Signal Strength Indicator (RSSI) envelope mapping for each bit rate. FDR-RSSI is linear and remains invariant for a period of time so that it can be used to facilitate rate selection. Moreover an energy-efficient rate selection approach is presented to leverage the path loss information based on channel reciprocity. In addition, this chapter provides a technique to detect the distortion of FDR-RSSI that arises from external WiFi interference. The simulation results show that the proposed schemes can improve link throughput efficiently with minimum energy consumption.

# PART II: Green Wireline Communications and Networking

Chapter 6, authored by F. Cuomo, A. Cianfrani and M. Polverini, studies energy saving in the Internet. The authors present graph-theoretic solutions that can be adopted in an IP network for energy saving purposes. The common idea of these solutions is to reduce the number of links, e.g., router line cards, that are used in the network during the off-peak period. To this aim different properties of the graph that models the network are used. By controlling the impact of the removal of some links on the algebraic connectivity, the proposed scheme derives a list of links that can be switched off. It combines the algebraic connectivity also with the edge betweenness. This latter parameter allows to cut from the network graph links that are crossed only by few paths. The resulting graph algebraic connectivity is then used to control that the

network remains connected and that its connection degree is above a suitable threshold.

Chapter 7, authored by C. Hu, B. Liu, M. Zhang, B. Zhang and X. Wang, studies the architectural design of energy-efficient wireline Internet nodes. The authors concentrate on the exploration of power/energy-saving mechanisms through the design of Internet transmission equipment, e.g., routers. By revisiting the characteristics of the Internet behaviors and the modular architecture of routers, this chapter suggests the approach for engineering energy-efficient Internet from three different perspectives and discusses the imposed technical challenges. To address the challenges and seize the energy-saving opportunities, a new conceptual router model/architecture as the guide to design and implement power efficient router, as well as the Internet, is pursued.

Chapter 8, authored by M. P. Anastasopoulos, A. Tzanakaki and D. Simeonidou, studies the converged optical network and IT infrastructures suitable to support cloud services. More specifically, the concept of Virtual Infrastructures (VIs), over one or more interconnected Physical Infrastructures (PIs) comprising both network and IT resources, is considered. Taking into account the energy consumption levels associated with the ICT today and the expansion of the Internet, energy efficient infrastructures with reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions become critical. To address this, a hybrid energy power supply system for the high energy consuming IT resources is adopted. In this system conventional and renewable energy sources are cooperating to produce the necessary power for the IT equipment to operate and support the required services. The reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is further increased by applying energy aware planning of VIs over the converged PI. To quantify the benefits of the proposed approach a Mixed Integer Linear Programming model suitable for planning VIs is proposed and developed. This model takes into account multi-period and multi-service considerations over an integrated hybrid-solar powered IT and optical network infrastructure and aims at minimizing the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the planned VIs. The modelling results indicate significant reduction of the overall  $CO_2$  emissions that varies between 10-50% for different levels of demand requests.

Chapter 9, authored by M. J. Neely, presents a methodology for optimizing time averages in systems with variable length frames. Applications include energy and quality aware task scheduling in smart phones, cost effective energy management at computer servers, and more. The author considers energy-aware control for a computing system with two states: active and idle. In the active state, the controller chooses to perform a single task using one of multiple task processing modes. The controller then saves energy by choosing an amount of time for the system to be idle. These decisions affect processing time, energy expenditure, and an abstract attribute vector that can be used to model other criteria of interest (such as processing quality or distortion). The goal is to optimize time average system performance. The solution methodology of this chapter uses the theory of optimization for renewal systems.

# PART III: Smart Grid Communications and Networking

Chapter 10, authored by Z. Li, D. Ishchenko, F. Yang and Y. Ye, reviews the recent development of utility communication networks, including the advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) and the supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA). The standardizations of communication protocols in both AMI and SCADA systems are the major focus of this chapter. In addition, some potential grid management applications that are facilitated by the real-time communication mechanism and enable efficient grid operations are also discussed.

Chapter 11, authored by Q. Dong, L. Yu and W. Song, surveys the ongoing research through elaborating a representative number of Demand and Response (DR) methods in smart grid and discusses future directions. DR refers to the dynamic demand mechanisms to manage electricity demand in response to supply conditions, and is one of the most important functions of smart grids. DR offers several benefits, including reduction of peak demand, participant financial benefits, integration of renewable resources and provision of ancillary services. This chapter focuses on a classification that is based on the optimization objective. A representative number of DR methods have been stated, which belong to customer profit optimization category operation cost of electric utility reduction category and social welfare maximization category.

Chapter 12, authored by S. Bu, F. R. Yu and P. X. Liu, considers not only energy-efficient communications but also the dynamics of the smart grid in designing green wireless cellular networks. Specifically, the dynamic operation of cellular base stations depends on the traffic, real-time electricity price and the pollutant level associated with electricity generation. Coordinated multipoint (CoMP) is used to ensure acceptable service quality in the cells whose base stations have been shut down. The active base stations decide on which retailers to procure electricity from and how much electricity to procure. We formulate the system as a Stackelberg game, which has two levels: a cellular network level and a smart grid level. Simulation results show that the smart grid has significant impacts on green wireless cellular networks, and our proposed scheme can significantly reduce operational expenditure and  $CO_2$  emissions in green wireless cellular networks.

### Conclusion

A summary of the contributed chapters has been provided that will be helpful to follow the rest of this book. These chapters essentially feature some of the major advances in the research on green communications and networking for the next generation communications and networking systems. Therefore, the book will be useful to both researchers and practitioners in this area. The readers will find the rich set of references in each chapter particularly valuable.

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