Dynamic Mobile Charger Scheduling in Heterogeneous Wireless Sensor Networks

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Problem Description

Network Model

- Sensor set: V, mutual distance matrix: D
- battery capacity: E_{max} , energy consumption rate: $r_i(t)$

Charger Model

- single mobile charger
- zero charging time

Optimization Goal

- Coverage Ratio **B**_C
- Energy Storage **B**_E



Problem Formulation

$$\begin{split} \max_{\mathbf{x}^{k}, c_{k}} & B_{C} + \beta B_{E} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{W} (|\mathbf{e}^{k}|_{0} + \beta |\mathbf{e}^{k}|_{1})/N \\ s.t. & e_{i}^{0} = E_{max}, i = 1, 2, ...N \\ & e_{i}^{k} = max(0, e_{i}^{k-1} - \mathbf{x}^{k-1T} \cdot D \cdot \mathbf{x}^{k} r_{i}^{k}) + x_{i}^{k} c_{k}, \\ & i = 1, 2, ..., N, k = 1, 2, ..., W, \\ & 0 \leq e_{i}^{k} \leq E_{max}, i = 1, 2, ..., N, k = 1, 2, ..., W, \\ & \mathbf{1}_{N}^{T} \mathbf{x}^{k} = 1, k = 1, 2, ..., N \\ & x_{i}^{k} \in \{0, 1\}, i = 1, 2, ..., N, k = 1, 2, ..., W, \\ & 0 \leq c_{k} \leq E_{max}, k = 1, 2, ..., W. \end{split}$$

- Maximizing a convex function, discrete constraints
- NP complete
 - proved by reducing the Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP) to it

Related Work

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Challenge

- Shortest Route (TSP) Scheduler
 - charges along shortest route
 - Fail to consider about node urgency



Challenge

Earliest Deadline First (EDF) Scheduler
charges most urgent node
Fail to consider about traveling cost



Challenge

Both traveling cost and node urgency are essential



Spatial Dependent Model

- Cluster Dependency:
 - When charging i, traveling costs for nearby nodes are reduced.



- Path Dependency:
 - When traveling to i, nodes near the path are recharged without much detour



Spatial Dependent Task (SDT) Scheduler

• Idea:

- Searches for the most urgent node cluster
- charges nearby nodes along the path

Solution Overview

- 1. Search the cluster to recharge
- 2. Construct the directed acyclic travel graph
- 3. Searches for the route to travel using critical path algorithm

Spatial Dependent Task (SDT) Scheduler



• Path Priority: $Extra gain \qquad detour cost$ $P_{\mathbf{l}}^{p}(k) = \sum_{v_{j} \in \mathbf{l}} (E_{max} - e_{j}^{k} - d_{v_{j-1}^{*}, v_{j}^{*}} |\mathbf{r}^{k}|_{1})$

Spatial Dependent Task (SDT) Scheduler (cont'd)

Traveling graph definition

Given the distance j

Directed Edge \overline{si} exists if:

 $\angle jsi < \gamma_p$

 $d_{si} < d_{ij}$



Evaluation

• Baseline algorithms

- Shortest Route (TSP) scheduler
- Earliest Deadline First (EDF) scheduler
- Maximum Response Ratio First (MRF) scheduler
- EDF with node insertion (EDF-I)

• Simulation set-up

- energy consumption rate modeling real traces
- 225 nodes in square area
- different sizes and workloads

Evaluation

Influence of work loads

- SDT performs well when energy consumption rates
 - 3 clusters, SDT10% better than TSP, 5% better than EDF



Evaluation

- SDT degrades gracefully. 5% better than EDF
- TSP performs well when network area 4% better than others



Evaluation (cont'd)

Trade-off between traveling time and urgency SDT scheduler spends most of the time charging urgent nodes



Conclusion

- Problem Definition
 - Models and optimization goal
- Challenge
 - NP-Complete
 - Consider both Spatial and temporal constraints
- SDT Scheduler
 - Select cluster
 - Search best path
- Evaluation
 - SDT scheduler Achieves better performance
 - TSP works well in large networks

Future Work

Design algorithms with performance bounds

Questions?