

PRIORITY-BASED BROADCASTING OF SENSITIVE DATA IN ERROR-PRONE WIRELESS NETWORKS

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Introduction

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- Broadcasting in wireless networks
 - ▣ Disseminating data and control messages

- Error-prone wireless links
 - ▣ Provide resilience
 - ARQ
 - Erasure codes
 - Hybrid-ARQ
 - Fountain codes (rateless codes)

Observations

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- Errors in packets

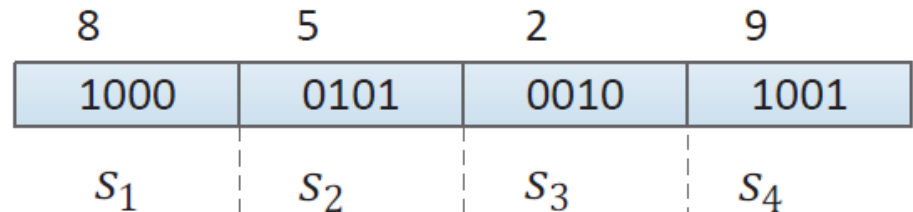
- Not binary

- Numeric data

- Like sensed data by sensor nodes
- The important of the symbols (bits) are different
 - The importance of the symbols should be considered

- Choices for *resilient communication*

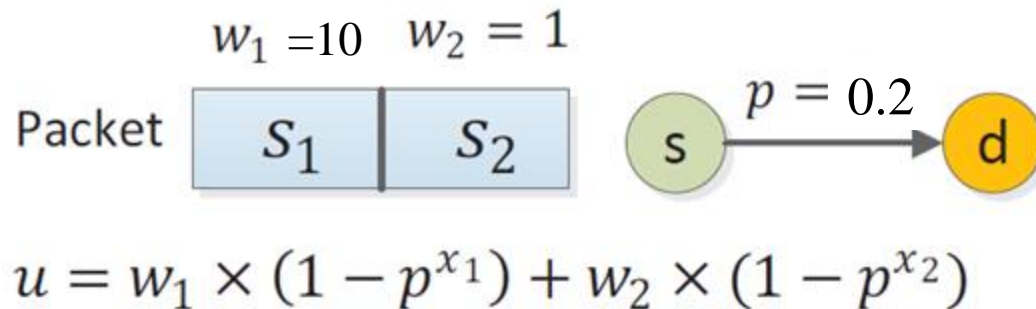
- Reliable transmissions
- Maximizing the expected gain with a fixed given number transmissions



Motivation

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- S_i : symbol i
- x_i : number of transmission of symbol
- w_i : weight of symbol



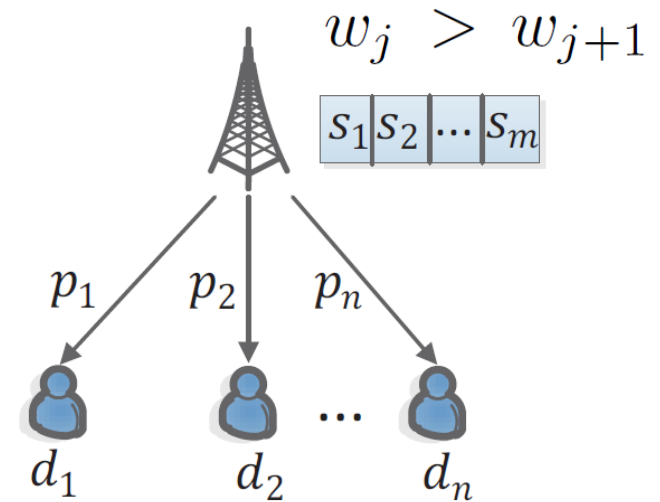
x_1	4	3	2	1	0
x_2	0	1	2	3	4
u	9.984	10.72	10.56	8.992	0.9984

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Setting and Objective

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- One-hop network
- Lossy links
- Transmission window size
 - ▣ t slots for a packet



- Objective: maximizing the total weight of the received symbols

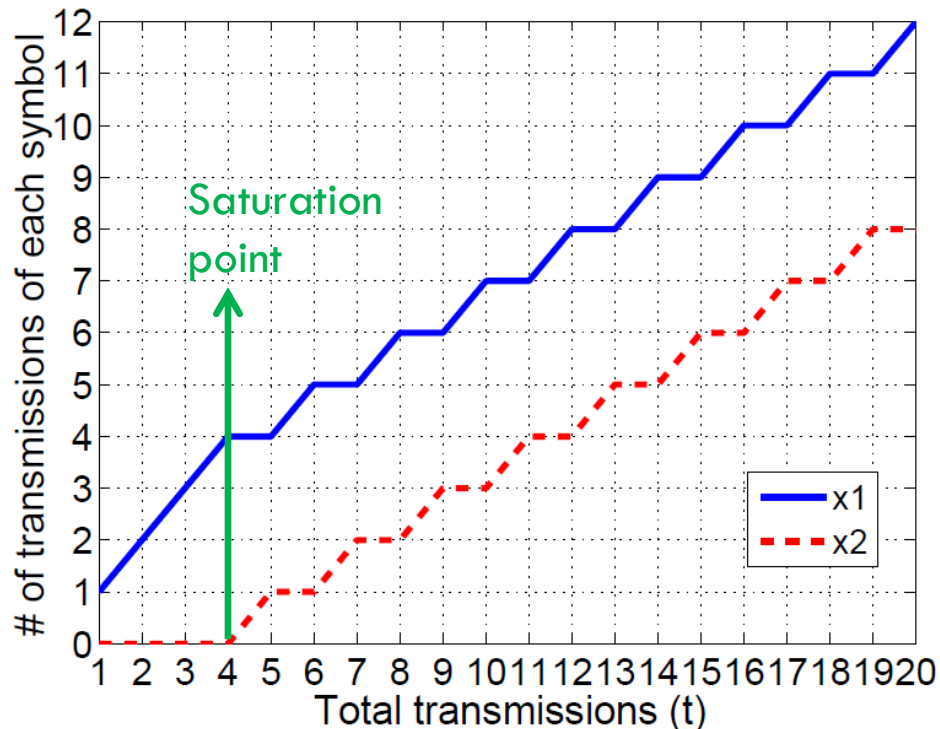
Single Packet (Homogeneous Destinations)

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- The case of a packet size equal to 2 symbols

$$u = w_1 \times (1 - p^{x_1}) + w_2(1 - p^{x_2})$$

$$\text{st. } x_1 + x_2 = t$$



$$w_1 = 5$$

$$w_2 = 1$$

$$\text{Saturation point } p^{x_1} < \frac{w_2}{w_1}$$

Single Packet (Heterogeneous Destinations)

- In the case of different transmission error rates, the round-robin pattern does not exist
- Iterative algorithm
 - ▣ We assign the transmissions to the symbols in t rounds

$$\Delta_{x_i} = w_i \times \sum_{l=1}^n \left[1 - p_l^{x_i+1} - (1 - p_l^{x_i}) \right] = w_i \times \sum_{l=1}^n \left[p_l^{x_i} - p_l^{x_i+1} \right]$$

- At each iteration we assign the current transmission to the symbol with maximum Δ_{x_i}

Multiple Packets

- Our model
 - ▣ The size of the packets are equal
 - ▣ The weights of the i -th symbols in different packets are the same

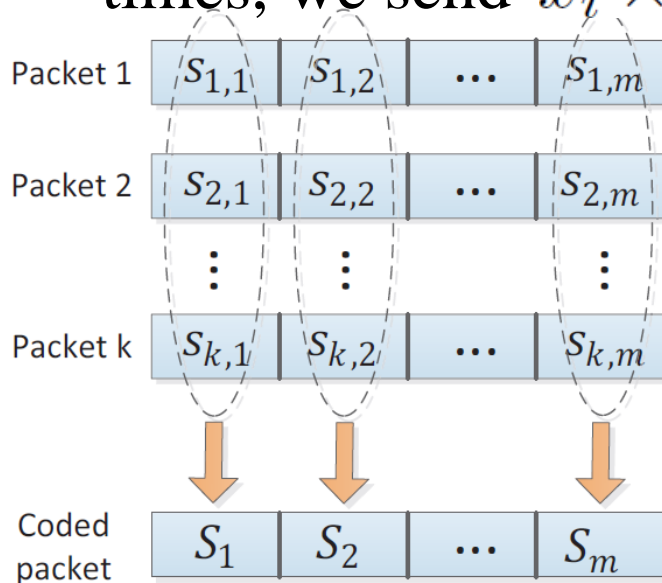
- The problem of sending k independent packets becomes k similar problems with the same solution

- We can solve the problem for a single packet, and repeat it for any packet

Multiple Packets- with Network Coding

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- We first find the optimal x_i
- We code all of the i -th symbols of the k packets together
 - ▣ Instead of sending the i -th symbols of each packet x_i times, we send $x_i \times k$ coded symbols



$$S_i = \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j \times s_{j,i}$$

Multiple Packets- with Network Coding

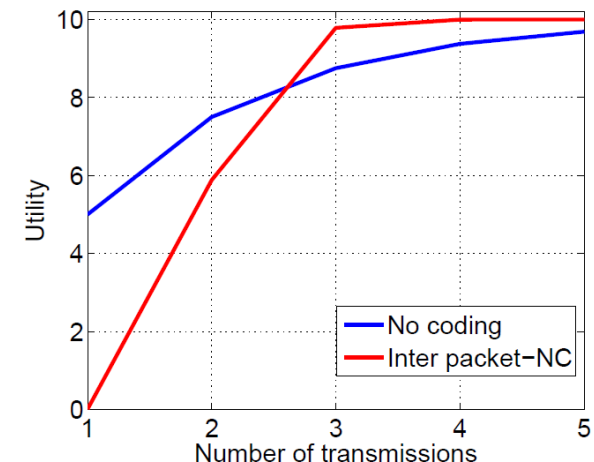
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- Using network coding might increase or decrease the gain
 - ▣ Since partial decoding is not possible
 - ▣ For each set of the i -th symbols we compare the gain of coding and non-coding

$$u_i^{NC} = w_i \times k \times \sum_{l=1}^n \left[\sum_{j=k}^{x_i \times k} \binom{k \times x_i}{j} \times (1 - p_l)^j \times p_l^{x_i \times k - j} \right]$$

$$u_i = w_i \times k \times (1 - p_l^{x_i})$$

- ▣ We turn off coding if it decreases the gain



Priority-based Transmission

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- For each possible distribution:
 - ▣ Check the gain of the i -th symbols of the k packets in the case of coding and non-coding symbols
 - ▣ If coding does not increase the gain of the i -th symbols, do not perform coding

- Select the distribution with the maximum gain

Bursty Errors

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- Errors in wireless networks have burst pattern

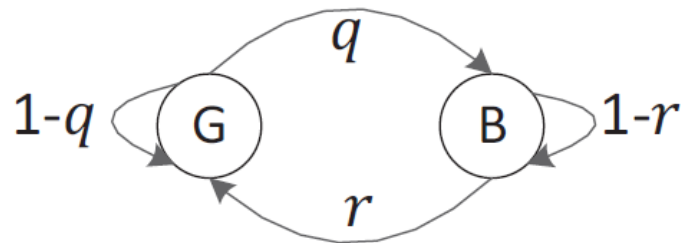
- How to organize the symbols in the packets?
 - Serial
 - Round robin
 - Random

Simulations Setting

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- MATLAB environment
- 1,000 random topologies
 - ▣ Different links' error rates
- Weight of the i -th symbol: 2^{m-i}
- Compare with simple retransmission method
 - ▣ Distribute the transmissions evenly to the different symbols of the packets

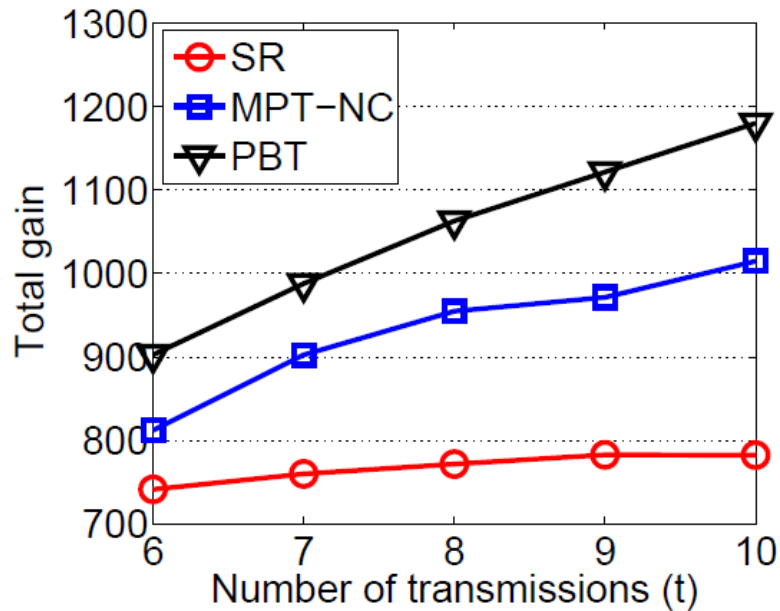
- Gilbert-Elliott model



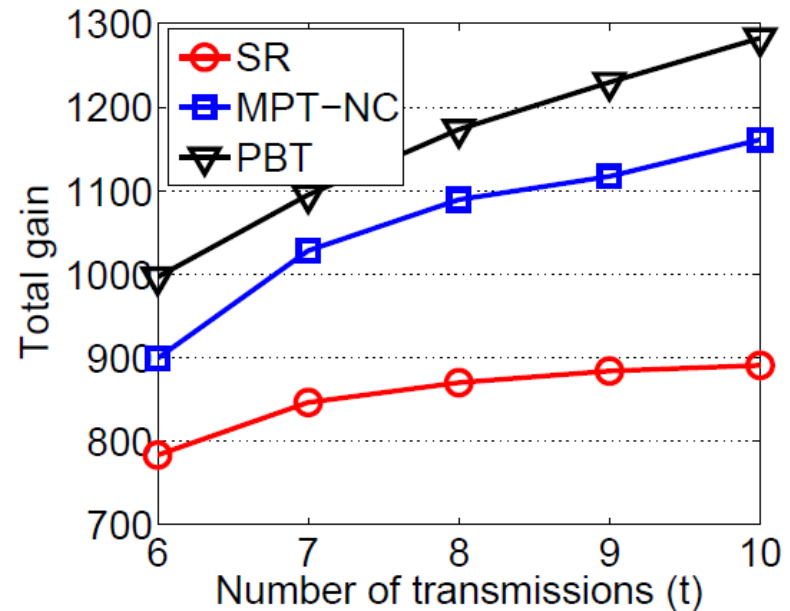
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- Packet size: 5 symbols
- 5 packets
- 10 destinations



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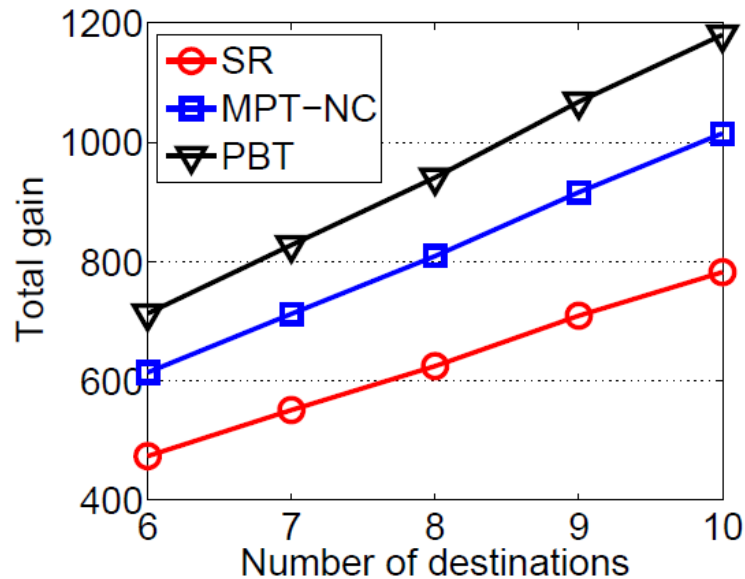


$$r = 0.24, q \in [1, 0.24]$$

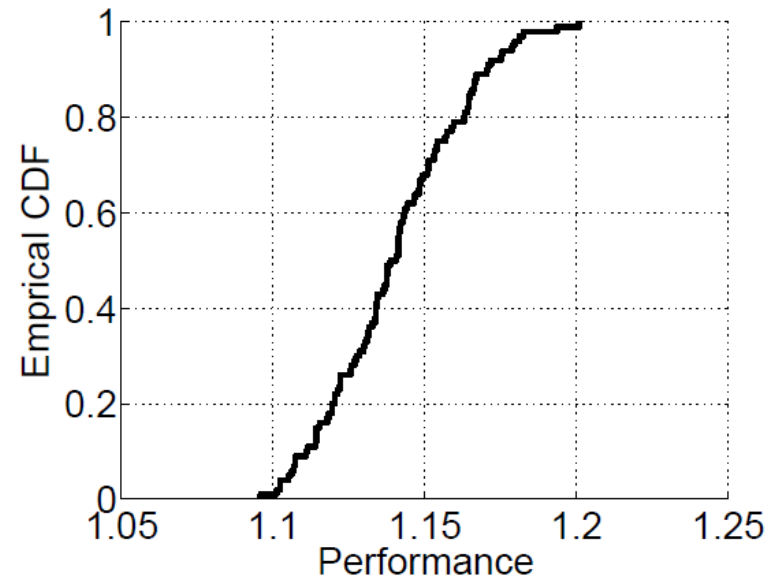
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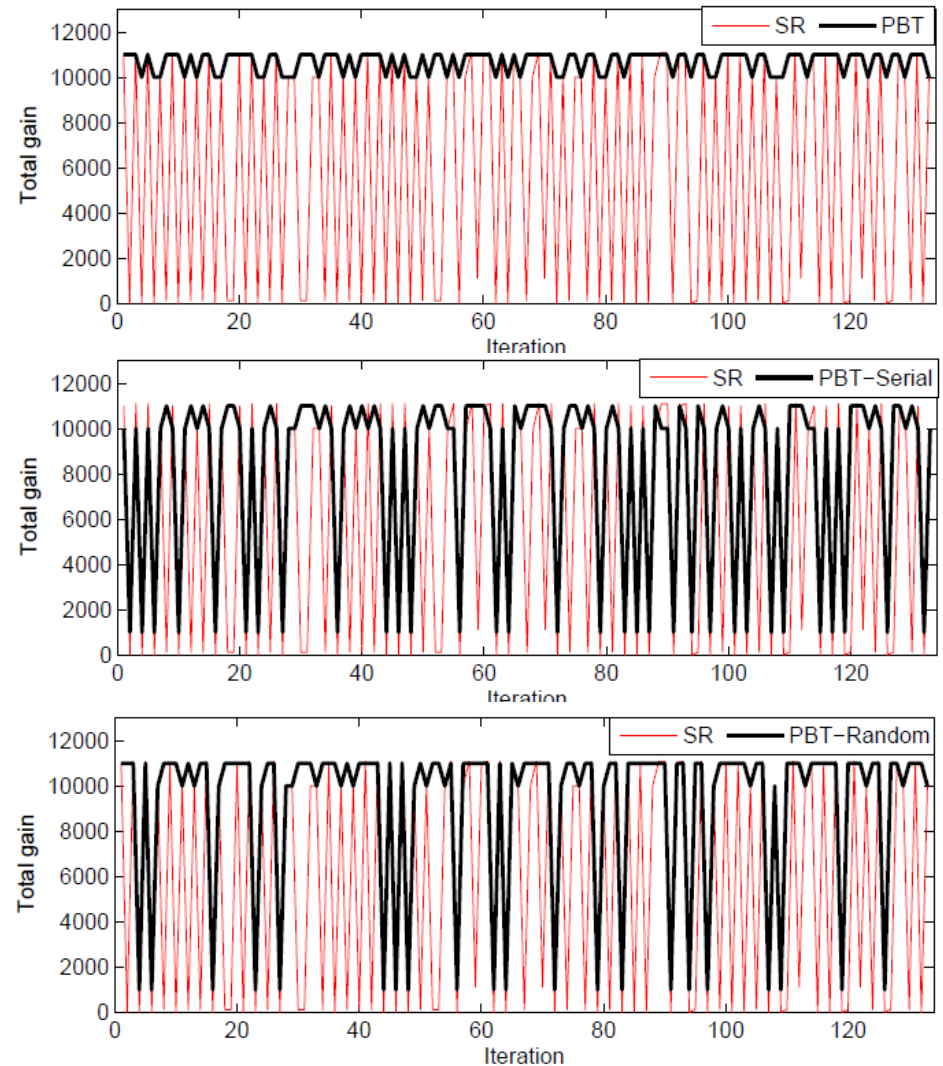


10 destinations

Testbed- USRP devices

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- 3 USRP devices
 - Sender
 - Receiver
 - Interference node
- Narrowband
- Central frequency: 1.26GHz
- Antenna gain: 20 db
- 5-digit BCD number



Conclusion

- There is much work on reliable transmissions over error-prone wireless channels

- We propose a transmission scheme which is based on the importance of the symbols (bits)

- Proposed methods
 - ▣ Network coding
 - ▣ Considering the bursty errors

Future Work

- Security
 - ▣ Encoding the whole data increase cost
 - Workload
 - Time complexity
- It is enough to encode the important parts of the data
 - ▣ Which symbols to encode?
 - Multi-layer vides: the base layer
- We can encode the coefficients of the network coded packets

Questions

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