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Energy Conservation and Interference Mitigation

-- From Decoupling Property to Win-Win Strategy

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Introduction

- Energy Conservation of mobile terminals in a multi-cell TDMA network
 - Within a cell: TDMA (no interference)
 - Across cells: overlap in time (interference)
- Two trade-offs:
 - Within a cell: transmit energies trade off against each other
$$b = xT = wT \log \left(1 + \frac{E \cdot G}{T \sigma^2} \right)$$
 - Across cells: tradeoff between energy and inter-cell interference
$$b = wT \log \left(1 + \frac{E \cdot G}{T(\sigma^2 + q)} \right)$$
- Airtime allocation within a cell and power control across cells



Network Model

- Power Consumption

- Transmit power: $x = w \log \left(1 + \frac{p \cdot G}{\sigma^2 + q} \right) \Leftrightarrow p = \left(\exp \left(\frac{x}{w} \right) - 1 \right) \frac{\sigma^2 + q}{G}$
- Total power consumption: $f(x) = \begin{cases} \left(\exp \left(\frac{x}{w} \right) - 1 \right) \frac{\sigma^2 + q}{\theta G} + \alpha, & \text{if } x > 0 \text{ (active)} \\ \beta, & \text{if } x = 0 \text{ (idling)} \end{cases}$

- Dynamic Sessions:

- Real-time sessions: Poisson arrival with rate λ
- Energy-Power Equivalence:
 - minimizing the average energy consumption per session \longleftrightarrow
minimizing the average power consumption



Key notations

- M cells: $\{C(m), 1 \leq m \leq M\}$
- Each cell $C(m)$ contains a set of mobile users: $\mathcal{A}(m)$
- \mathcal{S} : the set of mobile users active simultaneously, $|\mathcal{S}| \leq M$
- Total K concurrent transmission sets: $\{\mathcal{S}_k, 1 \leq k \leq K\}$
- Binary coefficient: denote whether user $i(m)$ is scheduled in set \mathcal{S}_k

$$z_{i(m)}(k) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i(m) \in \mathcal{S}_k, \\ 0, & \text{if } i(m) \notin \mathcal{S}_k. \end{cases}$$



Problem Formulation

- \mathbf{x}_{S_k} : the instantaneous rate vector of set S_k
- Given the rate vector, the required SINR vector and the minimum power solution vector can be computed:

$$\mathbf{x}_{S_k}$$

$$\longrightarrow \gamma_{S_k} = \exp\left(\frac{\mathbf{x}_{S_k}}{w}\right) - 1$$

$$\longrightarrow \mathbf{p}_{S_k}(\mathbf{x}_{S_k}) = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}\left(\exp\left(\frac{\mathbf{x}_{S_k}}{w}\right) - 1\right) \mathbf{B}_S\right)^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{D}\left(\exp\left(\frac{\mathbf{x}_{S_k}}{w}\right) - 1\right) \mathbf{v}_S$$



Problem Formulation

■ Problem: Power Minimization in a Multi-cell Network

minimize $\sum_{k=1}^K t_k \left(\sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i(m) \in \mathcal{A}(m)} ((1 - z_{i(m)}(k))) \beta_{i(m)} + z_{i(m)}(k) \left(\alpha_{i(m)} + \frac{p_{i(m)}(k)}{\theta} \right) \right) \right)$

sum over all slots

sum over all cells

power consumption in idle state

power consumption in active state

subject to $\sum_{k=1}^K t_k = 1,$ ← system capacity constraint

$\sum_{k=1}^K z_{i(m)}(k) \cdot x_{i(m)}(k) \cdot t_k = r_{i(m)}, \forall i(m), \forall m,$ ← rate requirement of each user

variables $x_{i(m)}(k) \geq 0, \forall k, \forall i(m), \forall m,$
 $t_k \geq 0, \forall k.$



Decomposition Method

- In general, the **scheduling** and **power control** are coupled
- One simple assumption:
 - Within each cell, the interference experienced by the base station remains constant within a time frame.
- Decomposition method:
 - Solve **intra-cell average power minimization** and **inter-cell power control** separately



Intra-Cell Average Power Minimization

Problem: Intra-Cell Average Power Minimization:

minimize $\sum_{i(m) \in \mathcal{A}(m)} \frac{r_{i(m)}}{x_{i(m)}} \left(\frac{\exp\left(\frac{x_{i(m)}}{w}\right) - 1}{\theta G_{i(m)i(m)}} (\sigma^2 + q(m)) + \alpha_{i(m)} + \sum_{j(m) \in \mathcal{A}(m) \setminus \{i(m)\}} \beta_{j(m)} \right)$

sum over all users in a cell

$$+ \left(1 - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}(m)} \frac{r_{i(m)}}{x_{i(m)}} \right) \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}(m)} \beta_{i(m)}$$

power consumption in active airtime

subject to $\sum_{i(m) \in \mathcal{A}(m)} \frac{r_{i(m)}}{x_{i(m)}} \leq 1$

power consumption in idle airtime

variables $x_{i(m)} \geq 0, \forall i(m) \in \mathcal{A}(m).$

- Convex optimization
- Lagrangian method
- In general, optimal solution depends on the inter-cell $q(m)$ interference

Decoupling Property

- When idling power \geq circuit power

Theorem 1:

The solutions to the intra-cell power minimization problem:
optimal rate: $x_{i(m)}^*$
optimal target SINRS: $\gamma_{i(m)}^*$

independent

inter-cell interference power: $q(m)$
circuit power: α
Idling power: β



DSP Algorithm when idling power \geq circuit power

- DSP: **D**ecoupling **S**cheduling and **P**ower control
- when idling power \geq circuit power: totally decoupled

Solve the convex intra-cell power minimization problem using Lagrangian method:

- 1) Compute the optimal Lagrangian multiplier φ^* with Newton method
- 2) Calculate the optimal rate: $x_{i(m)}^* = \left(W \left(\frac{\varphi^* G_{i(m)i(m)} - 1}{e} \right) + 1 \right) w$
- 3) Calculate the optimal target SINR: $\gamma_{i(m)}^* = \exp\left(\frac{x_{i(m)}^*}{w}\right) - 1$



Determine transmit power cross multiple cells:

- 1) Determine all the concurrent transmission sets
- 2) For each set, calculate the minimum transmit power vector:

$$\mathbf{p}_{S_k}^* = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}(\gamma_{S_k}^*) \mathbf{B}_{S_k} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{S_k}$$



DSP Algorithm when idling power < circuit power

- The intra-cell solutions depend on interference power level
- iterative method: update the interference power $\hat{q}(m)$ in each iteration
- Terminate when the total power consumption can not be further improved

Estimate the interference power level $\hat{q}(m)$

Solve the convex intra-cell power minimization problem using Lagrangian method:

1) Compute the optimal Lagrangian multiplier φ^* with Newton method

2) Calculate the optimal rate:

$$x_{i(m)}^* = \left(W \left(\frac{\varphi^* \theta G_{i(m)i(m)} - (\sigma^2 + \hat{q}(m))}{e(\sigma^2 + \hat{q}(m))} \right) + 1 \right)^w$$

3) Calculate the optimal target SINR:

$$\gamma_{i(m)}^* = \exp\left(\frac{x_{i(m)}^*}{w}\right) - 1$$

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3) Calculate the interference power vector:

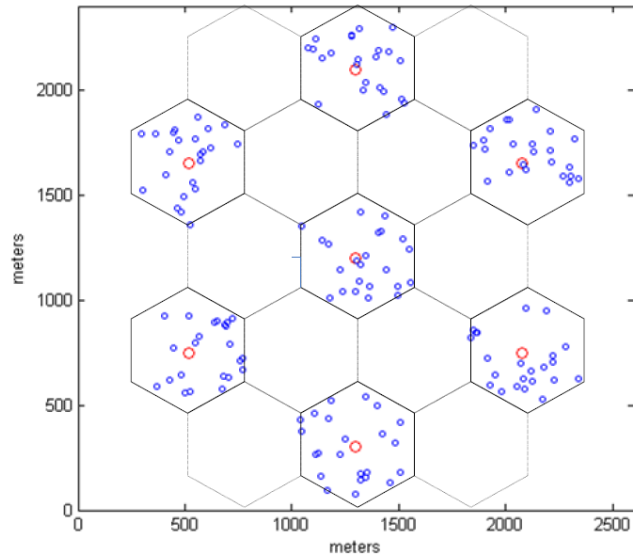
$$\mathbf{q}_{S_k} = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}_{S_k} \mathbf{D}(\gamma_{S_k}^*) \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_{S_k}$$

Update interference power

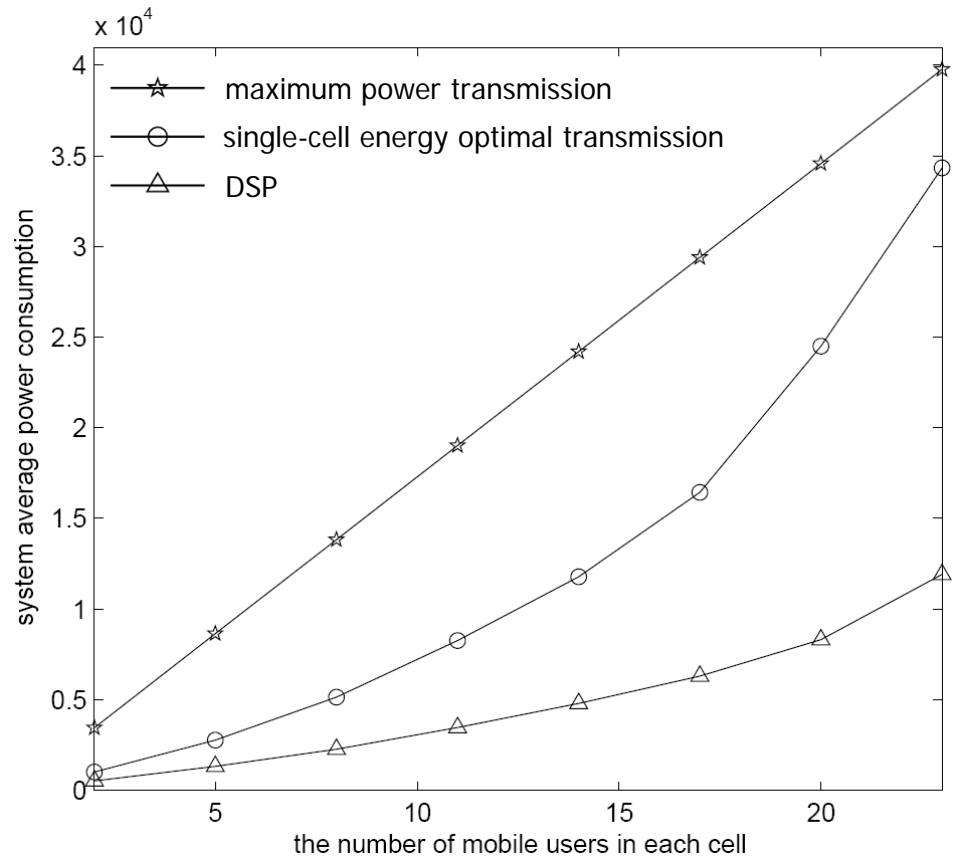


Simulation Results

7-cell network with frequency-reuse factor of 3:



Each cell contains 23 mobile users





Conclusion

- Consider the energy saving of mobile users in a multi-cell TDMA networks
- Propose a decomposition method (DSP):
 - decouples into intra-cell energy optimization and inter-cell power control
- Finds a good feasible solution, albeit not an optimal one
- Win-win: reduce energy consumption and inter-cell interference.



Thanks!