

Adaptive In-Network Processing for Mission-Aware WSNs



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Protocol Background

•The Adapative In-Network Processing Framework (NUM-INP) allows nodes within a network to compress or fuse sensor data in a dynamic condition-based manner.

•Extends from previous work on Wireless Network Utility Optimization, a provably optimal framework that generates a closed-form solution to network resource allocation.

•The utility of sensor data, along with network conditions determine the level of stream compression, allowing prioritization of flows within a network.

•The expected values of rate and utility obtained through simulation are confirmed through implementation on wireless laptops streaming video samples.



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•Optimization Framework: NUM-INP(U,C,P): max $\sum U ((a^{rec})) = \delta \sum V$

$$\max \sum_{m \in M} U_m(\{x_s^{rec}\}_{s \in sset(m)}) - \delta \sum_{\forall nodes,k} P_{tot}^k$$
(2)

subject to

i)Capacity Constraint:

$$\sum_{\forall (k,i) \in q} \frac{x_{out}(i,k)}{c_{ki}} \leq 1, \forall q \in set \ of \ cliques, \ Q \quad (3)$$

ii)Energy Constraint:

 $P_{tot}^k \le P_{max}^k, \forall nodes, k \tag{4}$

Implementation Architecture

•Implementation of protocol on 7 computers with wireless network interfaces configured in an ad-hoc network using Linux and VLC for streaming video.

•Nodes classified into three groups:

•Sensor / Source – Initial generator of data stream

•Forwarding Nodes – Process data as necessary and forward downstream

•Mission / Sink – Updates the source / sensor with the value of the data

•Control Plane

- •Forward Control Messages (Source to Sink)
 - Updated downstream nodes of rate information
- •Backward Control Messages (Sink to Source)
 - •Updated upstream nodes of sensor data utility (value), downstream node conditions (power) and network conditions (interference).

 Poor downstream network conditions might cause forwarding nodes to compress data



Results



	Without NUM-INP	With NUM-INP
PDR (%)	81.83	93.36
Power (W)	38.38	32.45
Video Quality (PSNR)		
Mission 5 (HPF)	14.86	98.12
Mission 6 (MPF)	15.03	45.86
Mission 7 (LPF)	0	29.15

•Video samples were continuously streamed point-to-point over UDP.

- •Our implementation tested prioritized flows with and without the in-network processing protocol. Screenshots of the received video are shown at the right.
- •We showed that use of the NUM-INP protocol *increased* our packet delivery ratio of our sensor data as well as the video quality at the sinks while *simultaneously decreasing* the amount of power consumed.
- •With a control plane update rate of 1 update / 3 seconds, we saw transmission rate and compression ratio convergence in less than sixty seconds.



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