Scheduling in WiMAX: Baseline Multi-class Simulations

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Configuration

- □ Frame Duration: 5 ms
- Downlink ratio: 0.6 (DL 60%, UL 40%) ~ 1.5:1 (0.66 crashes)
- □ Initial Modulation Scheme: DIUC = 2 (QPSK1/2)
 □ 2 bit/symbol × 1/2 repetition ⇒ 1 bit per symbol
- □ Bandwidth: 10 MHz (FFT: 1024)
- □ PUSC #DL Subchannels: 30, #UL Subchannels: 35
- □ ARQ Disabled (Bug: Higher loss with ARQ)



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Workload

- UL only:
 - □ UGS: UDP (CBR) at rate 200 kbps (500 Bytes APDU)
 - □ BE: UDP at rate 150 kbps or 700 kbps (500 Bytes APDU)
- □ UGS: MAC request: 275 bytes every 10 ms ~220 kbps
- □ 1 BS, 1 SS or 3 SSs
- □ Metrics: Application Throughput (kbps)
- □ Simulation starts from 20 sec to 50 sec

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Error Model

- □ Channel model: Cost231
- □ Fading Model: ITU_PDP PED_A



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Max BW and SS Calculation (Uplink)

- □ 1 frame (5 ms): 44 symbols after RTG and TTG
- □ With DL ratio=0.6, DL=26 and UL=18 symbols
- □ Ranging = 2+1, Contention=1+1, 12+1 left for data
- □ Each tile is 3 symbols wide \Rightarrow 12/3 tile-columns
- □ Each slot is 6 tiles high \Rightarrow 1 subchannel
- □ PUSC \Rightarrow 35 subchannels

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- □ Per UL Frame = $35 \times 12/3 = 140$ free slots
- Each slot has 72 symbol-subcarriers but only 48 for data + 24 pilots
- □ QPSK1/2 = 1 bit/symbol, $48 \times 1/8 = 6$ bytes per slot
- UL Capacity = $140 \times 6 \times 8 / (5 \text{ ms}) = 1.344 \text{ Mbps}$ (Max BW)

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Original Scheduling Methodology

- □ For UGS: grant = reserved slots;
- □ For others: grant = request
- **Problems:**
 - □ Can't support overload traffic
 - Does not allocate BW fairly



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New Scheduling Methodology

□ For UGS: grant = reserved slots;

 \Box Left slots = free slots after UGS

□ Fair Share = left slots/#non-UGS connections;

□ For others: if (request < Fair share) grant = request, else grant = Fair share

□ Loop till no more free slots



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UL Throughput for BE (2SS), 700Kbps



Simple Admission Control

- UGS connections are rejected if total load is more than capacity
- For UGS (220 kbps)
 Assuming 20 kbps for packing/segmentation overhead
 ⇒ Can support max 6 SS connections



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Simulation Results for Simple Admission Control



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Simulation Results for BE Traffic



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Throughput for BE (2 SSs, 700 kbps)



□ Capacity = 1.33 Mbps, Load = 1.4 Mbps \Rightarrow Overload Scenario

- □ Throughput: 1218.86 kbps, Drop: 1432 packets
- □ Statistically fair

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- □ Need admission control for classes with guaranteed service
 - □ Implemented a simple admission control
 - Allows us to do simulations with larger number of users without crashing
- □ Need fairness for overload situations

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- □ Implemented a simple fairness mechanism
- □ Both UGS and BE simulations now show fair throughput
- □ Old simulation used to starve some users.

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Future Work

- Debug BE traffic (stop crashes)
- □ Study delay behavior
- Simulate other classes of traffic
- □ Fixed Modulation per connection ⇒ Allows different modulations per SS
- □ Fixed 1 connection per node
 - \Rightarrow Allow multiple connections and classes per SS



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