Green Multi-Homing Video Transmission in Wireless Heterogeneous Networks

**ABSTRACT**

The wireless communication medium has become a heterogeneous environment with various wireless access options and overlapped coverage from different networks. Mobile terminals (MTs), equipped with multi-homing capabilities, can explore network cooperation to simultaneously aggregate the offered resources from different networks to support the same application and thus increase the data rate. On the other hand, as the gap between the MT energy demand and battery capacity continues to increase, the MT operational time in between battery charging has become a significant factor in service quality. In this presentation, we introduce an energy management system for MTs to support a sustainable multi-homing video transmission, over the call duration, in a heterogeneous wireless access medium. Through statistical video quality guarantee, the MT can determine a target video quality lower bound for a target call duration. The target video quality lower bound captures the MT available energy at the beginning of the call, the time varying bandwidth availability and channel conditions at different radio interfaces, the target call duration, and the video packet characteristics in terms of distortion impact, delay deadlines, and video packet encoding statistics. The MT then adapts its energy consumption to support at least the target video quality lower bound during the call. Simulation results demonstrate the superior performance of the proposed framework over two benchmarks, and some performance trade-offs.

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