

# On the Stability of a Power Control Algorithm for Wireless Networks in the presence of Time-Varying Delays

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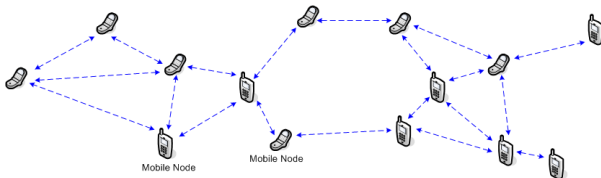
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# Pros and cons of wireless ad hoc networks



## ● Advantages:

- Mobility
- Faster speed of deployment
- Accessibility of areas difficult to reach
- Higher resources utilisation
- Robustness

## ● Disadvantages:

- Short range communications

# Applications

- Battlefield communications
- Disaster recovery efforts
- Impromptu communication between people
- Wireless traffic sensor networks
- Ecological habitat monitoring
- Industrial process control

# Why Power Control?

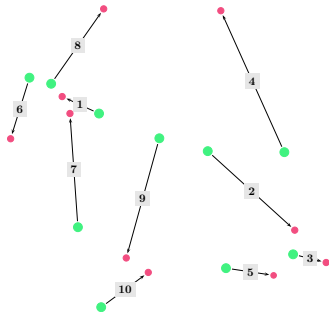
- Multidimensional effect on performance determines:
  - Signal quality.
  - The range of transmission.
  - The magnitude of the interference.
- Power: a valuable resource since batteries have limited lifetime
- Power to be adjusted so that it is high enough to reach the intended receiver while causing minimal interference at other nodes



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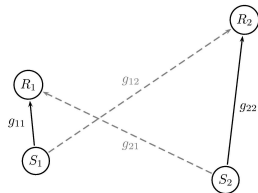


- Planar network
- Half-duplex transceivers  $\Rightarrow$  Unidirectional links
- Omnidirectional antennas

# The channel

We consider the *Physical Model* where receivers experience **interference**:

$$I_i = \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} g_{ji} p_j + v. \quad (1)$$



where

$g_{ij}$  the channel gain on the link between transmitter  $i$  and receiver  $j$ .

$p_i$  the power level chosen by transmitter  $i$ .

$v$  the variance of thermal noise at the receiver.

The link quality is measured by the *Signal-to-Interference-and-Noise-Ratio* (SINR), given by

$$\Gamma_i = \frac{g_{ii}p_i}{\sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} g_{ji}p_j + \nu} . \quad (2)$$

A transmission is successful (error free), if the SINR at the receiver is greater than the *capture ratio*,  $\gamma_i$ :

$$\frac{g_{ii}p_i}{\sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} g_{ji}p_j + \nu} \geq \gamma_i \quad (3)$$

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$$\frac{g_{ii}p_i}{\sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} g_{ji}p_j + v} \geq \gamma_i$$

after manipulation, is equivalent to the following

$$p_i \geq \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right). \quad (4)$$

In matrix form, for a network consisting of  $n$  communication pairs, this can be written as

$$\mathbf{p} \geq \mathbf{C}\mathbf{p} + \boldsymbol{\eta} \quad (5)$$

where

$$\mathbf{p} = ( p_1 \quad p_2 \quad \dots \quad p_n )^T$$
$$C_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ if } i = j, \\ \gamma_i \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} & , \text{ if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$
$$\eta_i = \frac{\gamma_i v}{g_{ii}}$$

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# Review of the Foschini-Miljanic (FM) Algorithm

## 2. Is it possible to find the solution in a distributed manner?

The Foschini-Miljanic algorithm provably succeeds in attaining the required SINRs for all nodes in the network if a solution exists and fails if there does not exist a solution.

- The **continuous-time** algorithm ( $k_i > 0$ )

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{J}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right) \quad (6)$$

- The discrete-time algorithm ( $k_i \in (0, 1]$ )

$$p_i(n+1) = (1 - k_i)p_i(n) + k_i \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{J}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(n) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \quad (7)$$

# FM Algorithm with constant time-delays (1/2)

Original algorithm assumes interference measurements at the receiver are available instantaneously at the transmitter. But delays inevitably exist. Most prominent:

- Processing time (coding and decoding)
- Propagation delays
- Availability of the channel for transmission

**Does the algorithm converge in the presence of constant time-delays?**

The **continuous-time** algorithm now becomes

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{J}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t - T_i) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right). \quad (8)$$

# FM Algorithm with constant time-delays (2/2)

## Theorem [Charalambous *et al*, 2008]

If the spectral radius of matrix  $C$  is less than 1, then the following power control algorithm

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t - T_i) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right), \quad i \in \mathcal{T} \quad (9)$$

for  $\gamma_i, g_{ji}, v > 0$ , is asymptotically stable for arbitrarily large delays,  $T_i > 0$ , for any initial state  $p_i(0) > 0$  and for any proportionality constant,  $k_i > 0$ .

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# The FM algorithm with time-varying delays

The FM algorithm when the constant time-delays are introduced is given by

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t - T_i) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right). \quad (10)$$

When time-varying delays are introduced, then

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t - T_i(t)) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right). \quad (11)$$



In matrix form, in the case of  $N$  nodes,

$$\frac{dp_i(t)}{dt} = k_i \left( -p_i(t) + \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i, j \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{ii}} p_j(t - T_i(t)) + \frac{v}{g_{ii}} \right) \right).$$

can be written as

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}(t)}{dt} = -K\mathbf{p}(t) + K \left( \sum_{k=1}^N A_{d_k} \mathbf{p}(t - T_k(t)) + \boldsymbol{\eta} \right), \quad (12)$$

where

$$\mathbf{p}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} p_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ p_N(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_{d_{kij}} = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ if } j = k \text{ or } i \neq k, \\ \gamma_k \frac{g_{ji}}{g_{kk}} & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$K = \text{diag}(k_i), \quad \boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \frac{v}{g_{11}} \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_N \frac{v}{g_{NN}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Theorem 1

Given scalars  $T_{im} > 0$  and  $\alpha_j \geq 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}$ , the system

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}(t)}{dt} = -K\mathbf{p}(t) + K \left( \sum_{k=1}^N A_{d_k} \mathbf{p}(t - T_k(t)) + \eta \right),$$

is asymptotically stable for any time-varying delays  $T_i(t)$  satisfying  $0 \leq T_i(t) \leq T_{im}$ , and  $\dot{T}_i(t) \leq \alpha_i, \forall t$  and  $\forall i \in \mathcal{I}$ , if there exists  $N \times N$  matrices  $Q_k > 0, S_k > 0, R_k > 0, k = \{1, \dots, N\}$  and  $N \times N$  diagonal matrices  $Z > 0, X > 0, Y > 0$  such that the following LMI holds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Theta_{11} & \Theta_{12} \\ \Theta_{21} & \Theta_{22} \end{bmatrix} < 0 \text{ and } Z \succeq W,$$

where

$$\Theta_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} T & & & \\ \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 + A_{d_1}^T X & \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 + X A_{d_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N + X A_{dN} \\ \vdots & U_1 & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N + A_{dN}^T X & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & U_N \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Theta_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & -Y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 & 0 & \vdots & A_{d_1}^T Y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N & A_{dN}^T Z \end{bmatrix},$$

## Theorem 1 (continued)

$$\Theta_{21} = \Theta_{12}^T,$$

$$\Theta_{22} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & V_N & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -Z \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$T = \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ Q_k + S_k - \frac{1}{T_{km}} R_k \right] - 2X,$$

$$U_k = -(1 - \alpha_k) Q_k - \frac{2}{T_{km}} R_k,$$

$$V_k = -S_k - \frac{1}{T_{km}} R_k,$$

$$W = \sum_{k=1}^N T_{km} R_k.$$

The stabilizing gain  $K = \text{diag}(k_j)$  is given by  $K = Z^{-1} Y$ .

# Sketch of the proof (1/4)

- We consider the following Lyapunov-Krasovskii functional

$$\begin{aligned} V(t, \mathbf{p}_t) = & \mathbf{p}^T(t) P \mathbf{p}(t) + \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{t-T_k(t)}^t \mathbf{p}^T(\theta) Q_k \mathbf{p}(\theta) d\theta \\ & + \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{t-T_{km}}^t \mathbf{p}^T(\theta) S_k \mathbf{p}(\theta) d\theta + \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{t-T_{km}}^t \int_{\theta}^t \dot{\mathbf{p}}^T(u) R_k \dot{\mathbf{p}}(u) du d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

- For some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the Lyapunov-Krasovskii functional condition  $V(\mathbf{p}_t) \geq \varepsilon \|\mathbf{p}_t(0)\|$  is satisfied.

# Sketch of the proof (2/4)

- The derivative along the trajectories of (12) leads to

$$\dot{V}(t, \mathbf{p}_t) \leq \xi^T(t) \Gamma \xi(t) + \dot{\mathbf{p}}^T(t) W \dot{\mathbf{p}}(t),$$

where

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} T & \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 + PKA_{d1} & \dots & \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N + PKA_{dN} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 + A_{d1}^T KP & U_1 & 0 & \vdots & \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N + A_{dN}^T P & 0 & \dots & U_N & 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N \\ 0 & \frac{1}{T_{1m}} R_1 & 0 & \vdots & V_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \frac{1}{T_{Nm}} R_N & 0 & \dots & V_N \end{bmatrix}$$

# Sketch of the proof (3/4)

$$\xi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}(t) \\ \mathbf{p}(t - T_1(t)) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}(t - T_N(t)) \\ \mathbf{p}(t - T_{1_m}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}(t - T_{N_m}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ Q_k + S_k - \frac{1}{T_{k_m}} R_k \right] - KP - PK,$$

$$U_k = -(1 - \alpha_k) Q_k - \frac{2}{T_{k_m}} R_k,$$

$$V_k = -S_k - \frac{1}{T_{k_m}} R_k$$

$$W = \sum_{k=1}^N T_{k_m} R_k.$$

# Sketch of the proof (4/4)

- If we introduce a diagonal positive definite matrix  $Z$  (as decision variable) such that  $Z \succeq W$ , the following condition implies  $\dot{V}(\mathbf{p}) \leq 0$ :

$$\xi^T(t)\Gamma\xi(t) + \dot{\mathbf{p}}^T(t)Z\dot{\mathbf{p}}(t) < 0.$$

The condition can be re-written as

$$\xi^T(t)\Gamma\xi(t) + \xi^T(t)N^TZN\xi(t) < 0$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma + N^TZN \prec 0 \text{ and } Z \succeq W \\ \Leftrightarrow & \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma & N^TZ \\ ZN & -Z \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \text{ and } Z - W \succeq 0, \end{aligned}$$

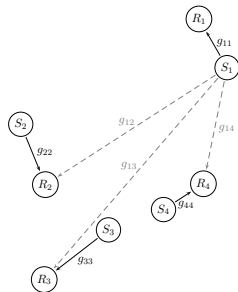
with  $N = \begin{bmatrix} -K & KA_{d1} & \dots & KA_{dN} & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- Then, we perform the change of variable:  $Y = ZK$  and  $X = PK$ .

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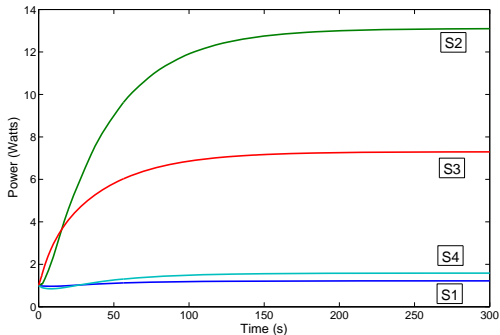
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$$C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.0163 & 0.0108 & 0.0212 \\ 0.0250 & 0 & 1.5124 & 0.2566 \\ 0.0213 & 0.2146 & 0 & 0.3564 \\ 0.0771 & 0.0111 & 0.1224 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$





# Example 1 (2/2)



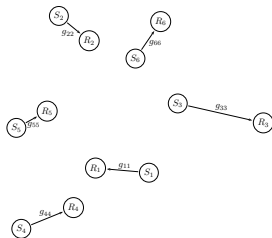
The stabilizing gain matrix ( $K_1$ ) is given by

$$K_1 = \text{diag}(0.1280, 0.0608, 0.0859, 0.0919).$$

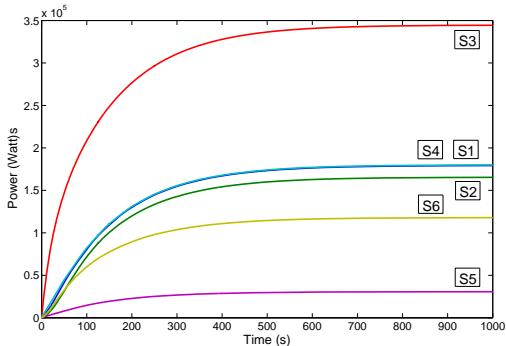
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We set the SINR threshold and the thermal noise for each node to  $\gamma_i = 3$  and  $\nu = 0.04$  *Watts*, respectively. The initial power  $p_i(0)$  for all transmitters is set to 1 *Watt*. The network is described by matrix  $C_2$

$$C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.0414 & 0.2074 & 0.2925 & 0.3998 & 0.1345 \\ 0.0159 & 0 & 0.0506 & 0.0043 & 0.0422 & 1.164 \\ 0.7335 & 0.0626 & 0 & 0.0364 & 0.0477 & 0.4231 \\ 0.6359 & 0.0222 & 0.0644 & 0 & 0.3283 & 0.0447 \\ 0.0227 & 0.0536 & 0.0155 & 0.0215 & 0 & 0.0407 \\ 0.0228 & 0.1114 & 0.2458 & 0.0030 & 0.011 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



## Example 2 (2/2)



The stabilizing gain matrix ( $K_2$ ) is given by

$$K_2 = \text{diag}(0.0300, 0.0435, 0.0401, 0.0427, 0.0538, 0.0391).$$

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# Summary and future work

## Summary:

- Focused on power adaptation in an environment where time-varying delays exist between communicating pairs.
- We derived the stability conditions for which the system is stable by proposing a Lyapunov-Krasovskii functional in the form of a LMI.
- Theorem 1 provides a practical and systematic condition that provides  $k_i$  ensuring the stability of the FM algorithm.
- Once these gains are embedded in each node, each power  $p_i(t)$  will converge to its corresponding equilibrium point in a distributed manner.

## Future work:

- Investigate if the algorithm converges regardless of the nature of the time-delays.
- Investigate how the convergence rate of the algorithm changes with time-delays.

# Thank you



**Questions?**