

Energy Efficient Heterogeneous WSN clustering Protocol-A Comparitive study

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LABSTRACT:

Wireless Sensor Networks had become an economically viable solution for various applications, including critical infrastructure monitoring ,military applications ,telecommunications, power grids, agriculture, traffic networks, disaster recovery situations etc.,. Since sensor nodes were battery powered, energy consumption and conservation was a critical factor.

The sever power constraints strongly affected the existence of active nodes and consequently the network lifetime. In order to prolong the network life, one had to overcome the scarcity of energy resources and preserve the processing of the sensor nodes as long as possible. Power management approaches efficiently reduced the sensor nodes energy consumption individually.The adaptive efficient routing technique had greatly appealed a great attention in research for improving network performance.

The clustering Algorithm was a kind of key technique used to reduce energy consumption. It could increase the scalability and lifetime of the network. Energy-efficient clustering protocols should be designed for the characteristic of heterogeneous wireless sensor networks.

This paper evaluated various distributedenergy-efficient clustering schemes DEEC, DDEEC, EDEEC, TDEEC for heterogeneous wireless sensor network in terms of energy consumption, alive nodes, and packet transmission .

II.Introduction:

Wireless sensor networks (WSN) were being increasingly entering into different critical applications, such as environmental monitoring, smart offices, battlefield surveillance, and transportation traffic monitoring. In order to achieve high quality and fault-tolerant capability, a sensor network could be composed of hundreds or thousands of unattended sensor nodes, which were often randomly deployed inside the study area or very close to it¹. Since WSN was usually exposed to adverse and dynamic environments, it was possible for the loss of connectivity of individual nodes. Conventional centralized algorithms needed to operate with global knowledge of the whole network, and an error in transmission or a failure of a critical node would potentially cause a serious protocol failure². On the contrary, distributed algorithms were only executed locally within partial nodes, thus could prevent the failure caused by a single node. It was realized that localized algorithms were more scalable and robust than centralized algorithms.

As each sensor node was tightly power-constrained and one-off, the lifetime of WSN was limited. In order to prolong the network lifetime, energy-efficient protocols should be designed for the characteristic of WSN. Efficiently organizing sensor nodes into clusters was useful in reducing energy consumption. Many energy-efficient routing protocols were designed based on the clustering structure^{3,4}. The clustering technique can also be used to perform data aggregation^{5,6} which combines the data from source nodes into a small set of meaningful information. Under the condition of achieving sufficient data rate specified by applications, the fewer messages were transmitted, the higher energy. Algorithms bring better scalability to large networks than centralized algorithms, which were executed in global structure.

Clustering technique can be extremely effective in broadcast and data query^{7,8}. Cluster-heads would help to broadcast messages and collect interested data within their own clusters saved. Localized algorithms could efficiently operate within clusters without waiting for control messages propagating across the whole network. Therefore localized algorithms bring better scalability to large networks than centralized algorithms, which were executed in global structure. Clustering technique can be extremely effective in broadcast and data query^{7,8}. Cluster-heads would help to broadcast messages and collect interested data within their own clusters.

This paper, evaluated various distributed energy-efficient clustering scheme such as DEEC, DDEEC, EDEEC, TDEEC for heterogeneous wireless sensor network.

In the sensor network considered here, each node transmitted sensing data to the base station through a cluster-head. The cluster-heads, which were elected periodically by certain clustering algorithms, aggregate the data of their cluster members and sent it to the base station, from where the end-users could access. It was assumed that all the nodes of the sensor network were equipped with different amount of energy, which was a source of heterogeneity. It could be the result of reenergizing the sensor networks in order to extend the network lifetime⁹. The new nodes added to the networks would own more energy than the old ones. Even though the nodes were equipped with the same energy at the beginning, the networks could not evolve equally for each node in expending energy, due to the radio communication characteristics, random events such as short-term link failures or morphological characteristics of the field⁹. Therefore, WSN were more

possibly heterogeneous networks than homogeneous ones.

III .RADIO ENERGY DISSIPATION MODEL AND NETWORK MODEL¹

Clustering was optimal in the sense that energy consumption was well distributed over all sensors and the total energy consumption was minimum. Such optimal clustering highly depended on the energy model. For this purpose, the present study used similar energy model as proposed in ¹.

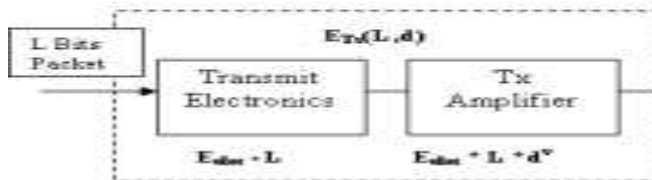


Figure 1: Radio Energy Dissipation Model.

According to the radio energy dissipation model illustrated in figure [1] and in order to achieve an acceptable Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR) in transmitting an L-bit message over a distance d, the energy expended by the radio was given by:

$$E_{tx}(L; d) = \begin{cases} LE_{elec} + LE_{fs}d^2 & \text{if } d < d_0 \\ LE_{elec} + LE_{mp}d^4 & \text{if } d \geq d_0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where E_{elec} was the energy dissipated per bit to run the transmitter (ETX) or the receiver circuit (ERX). The E_{elec} depended on many factors such as the digital coding, the modulation, the filtering, and the spreading of the signal. E_{fs} and E_{mp} depended on the transmitter amplifier model used, and d was the distance between the transmitter and the receiver. If this distance was less than the threshold, free space (fs) model was used else multi path (mp) model was used.

IV. Network Model¹⁵

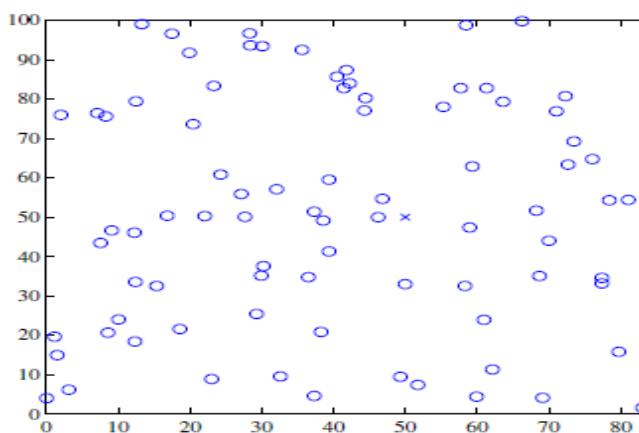


Figure 2 Network model

Network model used consisted of N nodes in M X M network fields as shown in Figure 2. In the network model some assumptions have been made for the sensor nodes as well as for the network. Hence the assumptions and properties of the network and sensor nodes were:

Sensor Nodes were uniformly randomly deployed in the network.

- There was one Base Station which was located at the Centre of the sensing field.
- Nodes always had the data to send to the base station.
- Nodes were location-unaware, i.e. not equipped with GPS capable antennae.
- All nodes had similar capabilities in terms of processing and communication and of equal significance.

Sensor nodes had heterogeneity in terms of energy at different energy levels. All nodes have different initial energy; some nodes were equipped with more energy than the normal nodes

1. Two Level Heterogeneous WSNs Model

Two level heterogeneous WSNs contained two energy level of nodes, normal and advanced ones. Where, E_0 was the energy level of normal node and $E_0(1 + a)$ was the energy level of advanced nodes containing a times more energy as compared to normal nodes. If N was the total number of nodes then N m was the number of advanced nodes where m referred to the fraction of advanced nodes and N (1 - m) was the number of normal nodes. The total initial energy of the network was the sum of energies of normal and advanced nodes.

$$\begin{aligned} E_{total} &= N (1 - m)E_0 + N m(1 + am)E_0 \\ &= N E_0(1 - m + m + am) \\ &= N E_0(1 + am) \end{aligned}$$

The two level heterogeneous WSNs contained a times more energy as compared to homogeneous WSNs.

2. Three Level Heterogeneous WSN Model

Three level heterogeneous WSNs contained three different energy levels of nodes i.e normal, advanced and super nodes. Normal nodes contain energy of E_0 , the advanced nodes of fraction m are having a times extra energy than normal nodes equal to $E_0(1 + a)$ whereas, super nodes of fraction m_0 are having a factor of b times more energy than normal nodes so their energy was equal to $E_0(1 + b)$. As N was the total number of nodes in the network, then N m m_0 was total number of super nodes and N m (1 - m_0) was total number of advanced nodes. The total initial energy of three level heterogeneous WSN was therefore given by:

$$E_{total} = N (1 - m)E_0 + N m(1 - m_0)(1 + a)E_0 + N m_0 E_0(1 + b) \quad (3)$$

$$E_{total} = N E_0(1 + m(a + m_0 b)) \quad (4)$$

The three level heterogeneous WSNs contained $(a + m_0b)$ times more energy as compared to homogeneous WSNs.

3. Multilevel Heterogeneous WSN Model

Multilevel heterogeneous WSN was a network that contained nodes of multiple energy levels. The initial energy of nodes was distributed over the close set $[E_0, E_0(1 + a_{max})]$, where E_0 was the lower bound and a_{max} was the value of maximal energy. Initially, node S_i was equipped with initial energy of $E_0(1 + a_i)$, which was a_i times more energy than the lower bound E_0 . The total initial energy of multi-level heterogeneous networks was given by:

$$E_{total} = \sum_{i=1}^N E_0(1 + a_i) = E_0(N + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i) \quad (5)$$

CH nodes consumed more energy as compared to member nodes so after some rounds energy level of all the nodes became different as compared to each other. Therefore, heterogeneity was introduced in homogeneous WSNs and then networks that contained heterogeneity were more important than homogeneous networks.

V. The DEEC (DISTRIBUTED ENERGY-EFFICIENT CLUSTERING PROTOCOL)¹¹

DEEC used the initial and residual energy level of the nodes to select the cluster-heads. To avoid that each node needed to know the global knowledge of the networks, DEEC estimated the ideal value of network life-time, which was used to compute the reference energy that each node should expend during a round. Cluster-head selection algorithm based on residual energy in DEEC. Cluster-head selection algorithm based on residual energy in DEEC.

Let n_i denote the number of rounds to be a cluster head for the node s_i (rotating epoch)

If the rotating epoch n_i was the same for all the nodes as proposed in LEACH, the energy would not be well distributed and the low-energy nodes would die more quickly than the high-energy nodes.

For DEEC

The choice was different n_i based on the residual energy $E_i(r)$ of node s_i at round r .

- $p_i = \frac{1}{n_i}$ average probability to be a cluster-head during n_i rounds
- When nodes had the same amount of energy at each epoch, choosing the average probability p_i to be p_{opt} could ensure that there were $p_{opt}N$ cluster-heads every round and all nodes die approximately at the same time. If nodes had different amounts of energy, p_i of the nodes with more energy should be larger than p_{opt} .

Let $\bar{E}(r)$ denote the average energy at round r of the network, which could be obtained by

$$\bar{E}(r) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N E_i(r) \quad (6)$$

To compute $\bar{E}(r)$ each node should have the knowledge of the total energy of all nodes in the network.

$\bar{E}(r)$ to be the reference energy,

$$p_i = p_{opt} \left[1 - \frac{\bar{E}(r) - E_i(r)}{E_i(r)} \right] = p_{opt} \frac{E_i(r)}{\bar{E}(r)} \quad (7)$$

$\bar{E}(r)$ to be the reference energy, average total number of cluster heads per round per epoch is equal to:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N p_i = p_{opt} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{E_i(r)}{\bar{E}(r)} = n_{opt} \quad (8)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N p_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p_{opt} E_i(r)}{\bar{E}(r)} = p_{opt} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{E_i(r)}{\bar{E}(r)} = n_{opt} \quad (9)$$

n_{opt} It was the optimal cluster-head number that to be achieve

The probability threshold, that each node used to determine whether itself to become a cluster-head in each round, as follow

$$T(s_i) = \begin{cases} \frac{p_i}{\left(1 - p_i \left(r \bmod \frac{1}{p_i}\right)\right)} & \text{if } s_i \in G \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

G (nodes that were eligible to be cluster heads at round r).

If node s_i had not been a cluster-head during the most recent n_i rounds for $s_i \in G$.

In each round r , when node s_i finds it was eligible to be a cluster-head, it would choose a random number between 0 and 1. If the number was less than threshold $T(s_i)$, the node s_i became a cluster-head during the current round.

n_i was chosen based on the residual energy $E_i(r)$ at round r of node s_i as follow

$$n_i = \frac{1}{p_i} = \frac{\bar{E}(r)}{p_{opt} E_i(r)} = n_{opt} \frac{\bar{E}(r)}{E_i(r)} \quad (11)$$

Where $n_{opt} = \frac{1}{p_{opt}}$ denote the reference epoch to be a cluster-head.

Eq. (11) shows that the rotating epoch n_i of each node fluctuates around the reference epoch.

heterogeneous nodes

Substituting Eq. (7) for p_i on (9), we could get the probability threshold used to elect the cluster-heads.

The threshold was correlated with the initial energy and residual energy of each node directly.

weighted probability shown in Eq. (12)

$$p(s_i) = \frac{p_{opt} N(1+ai)}{N + \sum_{i=1}^N ai}$$

(12)

to replace p_{opt} of Eq. (12) and obtain the p_i for heterogeneous nodes as

$$p(i) = \frac{p_{opt} N(1+a)}{(N + \sum_{i=1}^N ai) \bar{E}(r)}$$

(13)

From Eqs. (12) and (13),

$$I_i = \frac{(N + \sum_{i=1}^N ai)}{p_{opt} N(1+ai)}$$

expressed the basic rotating epoch

of node s_i , (reference epoch). It was different for each node with different initial energy.

Note $n_i = 1/p_i$, thus the rotating epoch n_i of each node fluctuates around its reference epoch I_i based on the residual energy $E_i(r)$.

If $E_i(r) > \bar{E}(r)$, $n_i < I_i$ and vice versa. This implied that the nodes with more energy would have more chances to be the cluster-heads than the nodes with less energy

estimate the average energy

$$\bar{E}(r) = \frac{1}{N} E_{total} \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right) \quad (14)$$

was the total of rounds from the network begins to all the nodes die.

Let E_{round} denote the energy consumed by the network in each round. R could be approximated as follow

$$R = \frac{E_{total}}{E_{round}}$$

(15)

Each non-cluster-head send L bits data to the cluster-head a round. Thus the total energy dissipated in the network during a round was equal to

$$E_{round} = L(2N E_{elec} + N E_{DA} + k E_{mp} d_{toBS}^4 + N E_{fs} d_{toCH}^2) \quad (16)$$

E_{DA} data aggregation cost expended in the cluster-heads

k was the number of clusters

d_{toBS} was the average distance between the cluster-head

and the base station

d_{toCH} was the average distance between the cluster members and the cluster-head

Assuming that the nodes were uniformly distributed, one could get

$$d_{toCH} = \frac{M}{\sqrt{2\pi k}}, \quad d_{toBS} = 0.765 \frac{M}{2} \quad (17)$$

optimal number of clusters as

$$k_{opt} = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{E_{fs}}{E_{mp}} \frac{M}{d_{toBS}^2}} \quad (18)$$

VI. DDEEC (THE DEVELOPED DISTRIBUTED ENERGY-EFFICIENT CLUSTERING PROTOCOL)¹²

DDEEC was based on DEEC scheme, where all nodes used the initial and residual energy level to define the cluster heads. To evade that each node needs to have the global knowledge of the networks, DEEC and DDEEC estimate the ideal value of network lifetime, which was used to compute the reference energy that each node should expend during each round. It was found that nodes with more residual energy at round r were more probable to become CH, so, in this way nodes having higher energy values or advanced nodes would become CH more often as compared to the nodes with lower energy or normal nodes. A point came in a network where advanced nodes having same residual energy like normal nodes. Although, after this point DEEC continued to punish the advanced nodes so this was not optimal way for energy distribution because by doing so, advanced nodes are continuously a CH and they die more quickly than normal nodes. DEEC introduces threshold residual energy as in [10] and given below:

$$Th_{Rev} = E_0 \left(\frac{1 + a E_{dis} N N}{E_{dis} N N - E_{dis} A N} \right) \quad (19)$$

When energy level of advanced and normal nodes fell down to the limit of threshold residual energy then both type of nodes use same probability to become cluster head. Therefore, CH selection was balanced and more efficient. Threshold residual energy Th was given as in [19]

VII. E-DEEC (Enhanced Distributed Energy Efficient Clustering protocol)¹⁴

EDEEC used concept of three level heterogeneous network as described above. It contained three types of nodes normal, advanced and super nodes based on initial

energy. p_i is probability used for CH selection and p_{opt} was reference for p_i . EDEEC uses different p_{opt} values for normal, advanced and super nodes, so, value of p_i in EDEEC was as follows

$$p_i = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{opt} E_i(r)}{(1+m(a+mo.b))E(r)} & \text{if } s_i \text{ was the normal node} \\ \frac{p_{opt}(1+a)E_i(r)}{(1+m(a+mo.b))E(r)} & \text{if } s_i \text{ was the advanced node} \\ \frac{p_{opt}(1+b)E_i(r)}{(1+m(a+mo.b))E(r)} & \text{if } s_i \text{ was the Super node} \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

VIII. TDEEC¹⁵ (Threshold Distributed Energy Efficient Clustering protocol)

TDEEC used same mechanism for CH selection and average energy estimation as proposed in DEEC. At each round, nodes decided whether to become a CH or not by choosing a random number between 0 and 1. If number was less than threshold T_{as} shown in equation 24 then nodes decided to become a CH for the given round. In TDEEC, threshold value was adjusted and based upon that value a node decided whether to become a CH or not by introducing residual energy and average energy of that round with respect to optimum number of CHs. Threshold value proposed by TDEEC was given as follows as

$$T = \frac{p}{\left(1 - p \left(\text{mod} \frac{1}{p}\right)\right)} * \frac{\text{residual energy of a node} * k_{opt}}{\text{average energy of the network}} \quad (21)$$

XI. SIMULATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

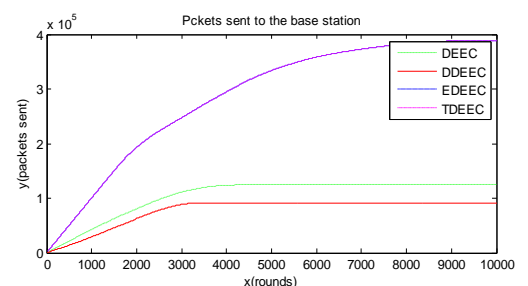
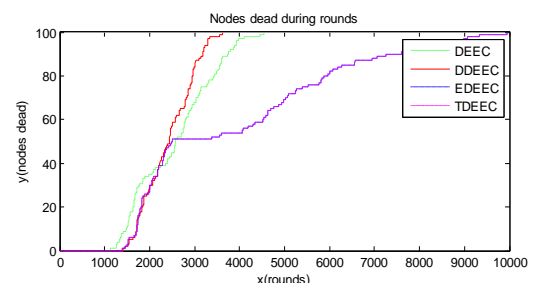
In this section, tried different clustering protocols in heterogeneous WSN using MATLAB and for simulations 100 nodes randomly placed in a field of dimension 100m x 100m. For simplicity, it was considered all nodes were either fixed or micro-mobile as supposed to be in ¹⁵ and ignored energy loss due to signal collision and interference between signals of different nodes that were due to dynamic random channel conditions.

The scenarios described the values for number of nodes dead in first, tenth and last rounds as well as values for the packets sent to BS by CH at different parameters m , mo , a and b . These values were examined for DEEC, DDEEC, EDEEC and TDEEC.

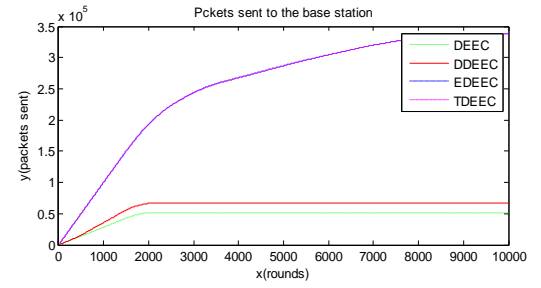
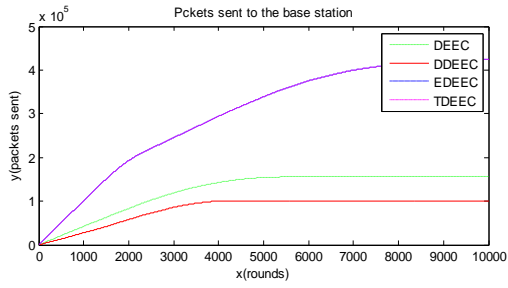
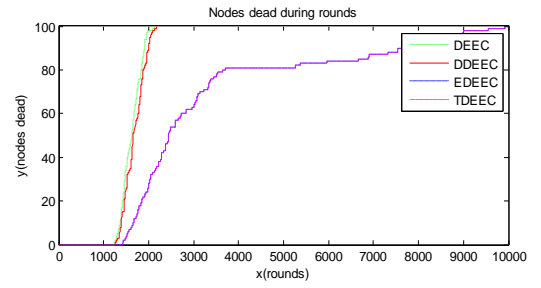
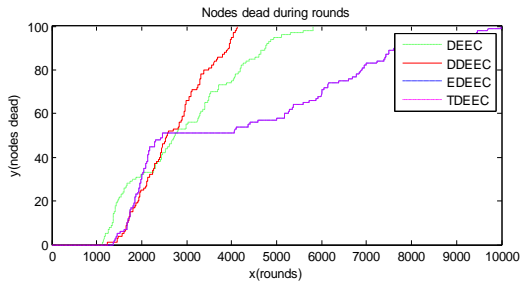
The stability period of the network was the time interval from the start of network operation until the death of the first sensor node, unstable period of the network was the time interval from the death of the first node until the death of the last node, energy consumption, the data sent that were received by the base station ¹⁴ and the lifetime of the network which was number of rounds until the first node die which was simply the stability period of the network (assume all the nodes having equal importance). More stable was the network; more was the lifetime of the network.

Parameters	Value
Network Field	(100,100)
Number of nodes	100
E_o (Initial energy of normal nodes)	0.5 J
Message Size	4000 Bits
E_{elec}	50nJ/bit
E_{fs}	10nJ/bit/m ²
E_{amp}	0.0013pJ/bit/m ⁴
EDA	5nJ/bit/signal
d_o (Threshold Distance)	70m
P_{opt}	0.1

$a=1.5; m=0.5; mo=0.4; b=3$; deployed 20% advanced nodes deployed with 1.5 times more energy than normal nodes and 30% super nodes deployed with 3 times more energy than the normal nodes ($m=0.5, mo=0.4, a=1.5, b=3$). Hence more total initial energy.

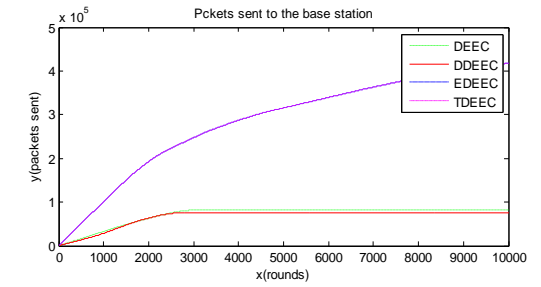
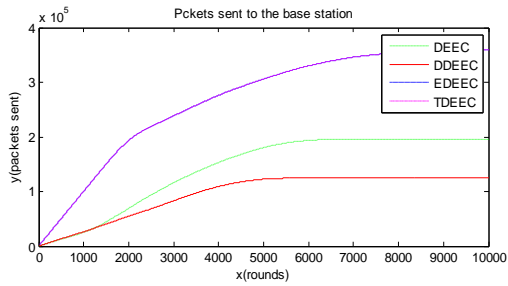
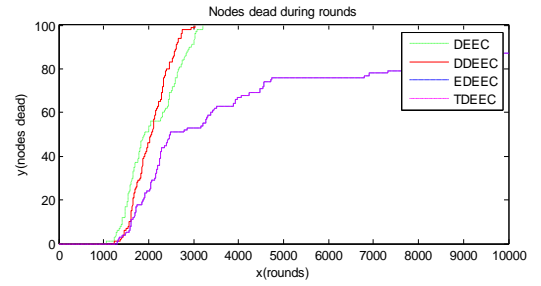
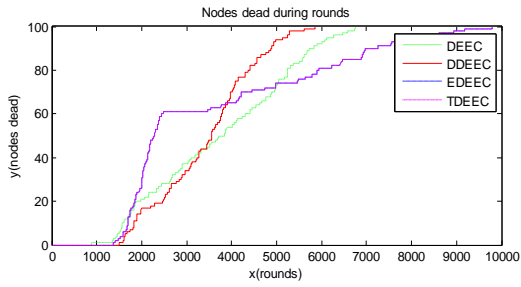


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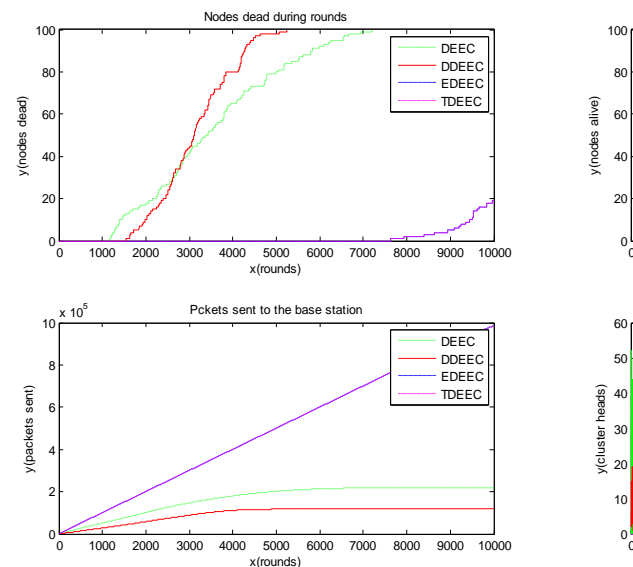
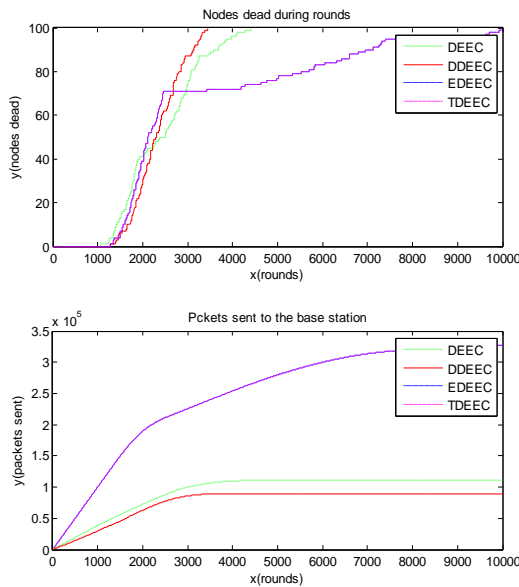
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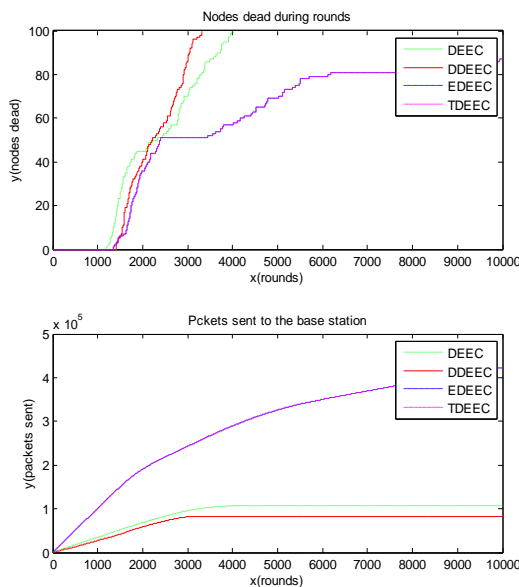


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a=2.5 ,m=1.5; mo=1.5; b=5

X.CONCLUSION

DEEC, DDEEC, EDEEC and TDEEC were examined for heterogeneous WSNs containing different level of heterogeneity. Simulations proved that EDEEC and TDEEC performed well in the networks containing high energy difference between normal, advanced and super nodes. EDEEC,TDEEC had best performance in terms of stability period and life time. In a Enhanced distributed energy-efficient clustering protocol(EDEEC) lifetime might be enhanced by optimizing the probability through soft computing techniques .

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