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Social-Aware D2D Communication Underlaying Cellular Network: Where Mobile Network Meets Social Network

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Cisco Forecast 2013-2018



• Over two-thirds of the world's mobile Source: Clsco VNI Mobile, 2 data traffic will be video by 2018 $1 \exp 10^{18}$ bytes

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New G Mobile Network

- Mobile communications landscape shows that current technology could not meet demand
 - You with your smart phones are creating this exponentially increasing demand
- We are going to "save" future world by **new generation mobile network**
- Long term evolution-advanced (LTE-A) supports mobile content downloading
- A key component of LTE-A: **Device-to-device** (D2D) communication
 - Enhancing bandwidth efficiency and increasing system capacity
 - while reducing power consumption
- New generation mobile network will be **D2D underlaying** cellular network



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Birth of Social Networks

- Digital world reality: where those huge volume of mobile traffics come from ? social networks !
- Mobile devices carried by human beings who form social networks of certain **social structures and phenomenons**
- Birth of social networks \Rightarrow thanks to mobile networks
- More and more people are living in two worlds: "real" physical world and "virtual" digital world
- As they usual to say

©The future is bright the future is orange

We are going to say

©The future is social network the future is mobile network



Social Characteristics

- 1. Social **tie**: characterise strength that two individuals are related to each other
 - In mobile network, social ties identify weak or strong connections among mobile users
- 2. Social **community**: identify groups of individuals sharing same interests or behaviours
 - In mobile network, social communities represent social groupings by interests or background
- 3. Social **centrality**: quantify structural importance of an individual
 - A central user has a stronger capability of connecting others in the network
- 4. Social **bridge**: manifest as connections between communities
 - A bridge provides path to connect two communities, along which information or influence can flow between two groups



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Reality Mining

- 100 smart phones \Rightarrow MIT staff and students for nine months \Rightarrow human social interactions and dynamics
- Users are coloured to identify 9 different **communities**
- User in community has different **centrality**, by size of circle
- Social ties: some user pairs have strong relations, while others have weak ones
- When strong relations occur across two communities, social bridge is observed





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What We Want

• Social networks have benefited greatly from advance of mobile communication technology



• We want to leverage social network characteristics for establish new paradigm of mobile network design



D2D Underlaying Cellular Network



1. **Cellular direct** (original mode); 2. **D2D connected** (relay); 3. **D2D opportunistic** (no end-to-end path) – new paradigm, store-carry-and-forward



Key Technical Problems

- 1. Service and Peer **Discovery**: identify candidate D2D pairs and required services
 - Cellular mediates discovery process, a centralized single-point-of-failure solution, stability and scalability problems
 - Ad hoc network approach, peer discovery by UE themselves, e.g. through beaconing
- 2. Communication Mode Selection: how to utilize all potential transmission modes to maximize data transmission capacity from all BSs to all UEs
- 3. Spectrum Resource Allocation: how to share spectrum between D2D and cellular to attain maximum system throughput
- 4. Interference **Coordination** and Management: how to manage interference between cellular and D2D and across multiple cells
 - Interference coordination for D2D connected can be managed centrally by BSs
 - Interference coordination for D2D opportunistic may require distributed management involving handsets



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Conventional Solutions

- We have been working on communication-domain designs/solutions
 - Collaborative vehicular content dissemination with directional antennas, IEEE Trans. Wireless Communications, vol.11, 2012
 - Optimal beaconing control for epidemic routing in delay tolerant networks,
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Social-Enhanced Solutions: Social Ties

- Social tie-aware peer discovery:
 - links correlated to strong ties offer more communication contacts and have higher data loads
- Instead of randomly beaconing, adjust beacon rates according to strengths of ties



- Allocating more spectrum and energy resources to users with strong ties increases peer discovery ratio, avoid congestion, and improve spectral efficiency
- **Social tie**-aware resource allocation and **relay selection**: Strength of a tie reflects trustfulness of two peers
 - In relay selection, taking social tie information into account improves privacy and security



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Social-Enhanced Solutions: Social Community

- Peer discovery: community structure and encounter patterns helps peer discovery process
 - User in population-dense community can utilise community encounter patterns to aid ad hoc based peer discovery procedure
- Resource allocation: user obtains information and content from community neighbors with less effort, owing to similar interest



- Allocating more resources in D2D communication for these community links helps to reduce duplicated network load
- Mode selection: relies on knowledge of channel condition, inter-cell interference and network load
- Community structure information simplifies detection and helps to make mode selection quickly and accurately



Social-Enhanced Solutions: Social Centrality

- High degree **centrality** indicates that the user plays **key role** in data dissemination
- As multiple communication paths are built up on it, a central node has **higher demand** on **resources**
- **Centrality** users should possess **high capacity** for data transmission volume and frequency
- A central node has high proximity-encounter possibility with nearby devices
- Central devices may provide alternatives to relieve synchronization and communication work load on BSs
- Instead of randomised beaconing, central node can **proactively** send **beacons** to improve peer discovery ratio



Social-Enhanced Solutions: Social Bridges

- 1. A **bridge** undertakes task to provide information and content exchange among communities
 - Prone to **congestion** under heavy network load conditions
- 2. Resource allocation needs to schedule more resources to bridge users
 - To avoid congestion
- 3. Mode selection needs to give **higher preference** of cellular communication to bridge nodes
 - To avoid congestion
- 4. Bridge user **detection**, bridge-aware resource **allocation** and mode **selection** schemes are challenging problems
 - Have potential for significantly improving overall **throughput** and **coverage** of D2D enabled cellular network



Social-Aware D2D Summary

Peer Discovery

| Ties | Community | Centrality | Bridge |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| beacon rate | peer density | proactive beacons | _ |
| adjustment | encounter patterns | communication demands | _ |

Mode Selection

| Ties | Community | Centrality | Bridge |
|------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | community density | cellular preferential | inter-community |
| _ | community interests | bottleneck detection | demands |

Resource Allocation

| Ties | Community | Centrality | Bridge |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| com demands | community sharing | resource demands | dissemination dominant |
| security, privacy | com demands | bottleneck prediction | bottleneck prediction |

Interference Management

| Ties | Community | Centrality | Bridge |
|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|--------|
| relay selection | resource partition | _ | _ |
| spectrum allocation | distributed coordination | — | _ |



Social Meets D2D: Quantitative Evaluation

System set up for simulated D2D enabled network:

- 1. Use **Reality Mining** trace, the most recognised human social and mobility trace, to drive simulation
- 2. In the area covered by Reality trace, multiple BSs, each with a coverage radius of 400 m, provide a seamless coverage
- 3. Maximum transmission range of D2D nodes is 50 m, and achievable link data rate depends on distance of two UEs
- 4. Other network parameters are based on standard wireless propagation settings
 - **D2D** channel based on scenario that two communicating UEs are physically in close proximity
 - Cellular channel is simulated according to urban microcell scenario

Social-Aware D2D Designs

- 1. Centrality-Aware Peer Discovery: adjust users' beacon rates proportional to centrality values
 - Group users by their centrality values, and allocate a different beacon rate to each group
- **Mode Selection**: first throughput-maximisation to decide 2. Bridge-Aware transmission modes
 - Amend results by setting all bridge users to cellular mode in downloading phase
 - Then set them to D2D mode in data sharing phase to disseminate data to other users
- 3. Community and Ties Guided Resource Allocation:
 - Allocate D2D pairs with same resources of cellular users in different communities (usually not in physical proximity)
 - Within a community, allocate resources for D2D pairs to be proportional to their social tie strengths



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Peer Discovery Efficiency



Comparison of **peer discovery** performance as function of normalised energy consumed for **non-social centrality aware** and **social centrality aware** schemes



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Resource Allocation Performance



Comparison of spectrum efficiencies in terms of sum rate achieved (further first: allocate D2Ds with same resources of cellular users that are

furthest away from the D2D pairs; non-social aware optimal: throughput-maximisation)



Social Bridge Guided Mode Selection



• D2D opportunistic offloads large amount of data from the traditional cellular transmission



Conclusions

- Social networks we inhibit inhibit in mobile networks
 - 1. Understand interplay between social network's characteristics and mobile communication problems
 - 2. Beneficial to exploit social network's characteristics in mobile network design
- Open up new direction for designing next-generation social-aware D2D underlaying cellular system





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