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A Novel Scheduling and Queue Management Scheme for Multi-band Mobile Routers

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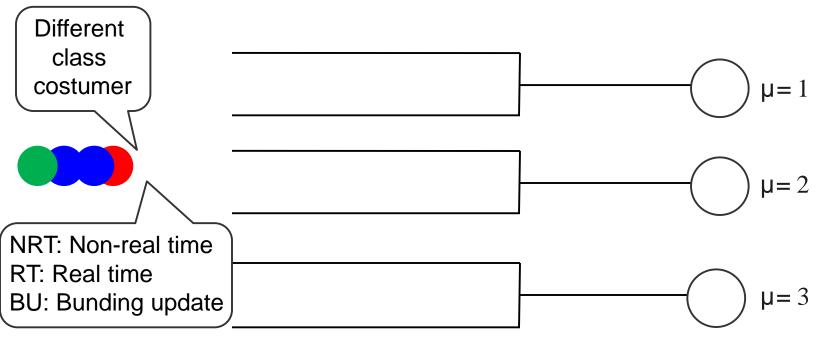
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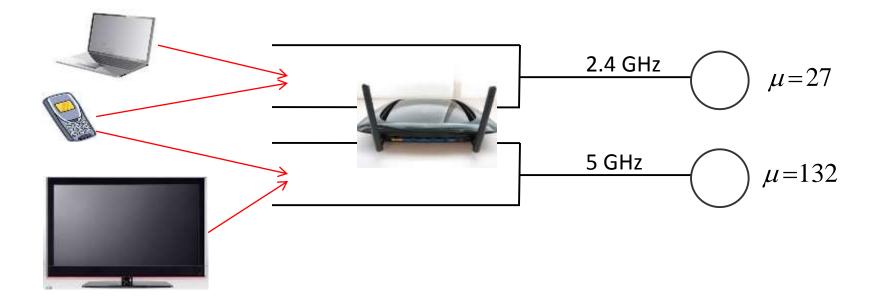
- Typical Multi-band Router Architecture
- Proposed Multi-band Router Architecture
- Analytical Model
- Results
- Conclusion

Heterogeneous Multi Server with Multi Class and Multi Queuing System



- 1) Priority = Which type of customer is served first?
- 2) Flexibility = Which type of customer will be served by which server?
- 3) Performance metrics for queues and classes

Current Multi Band Router System

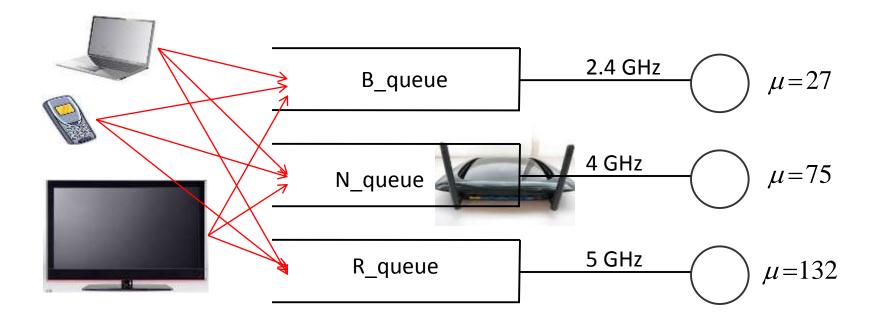


- Each device only can use one band at a time to send and recieve data.
- No sharing of traffic classes among the queues



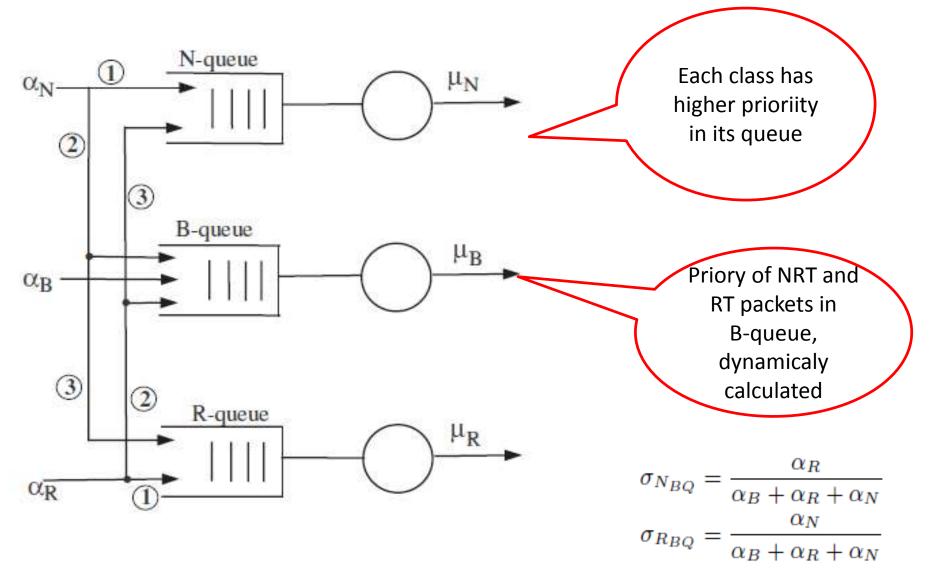
- Proposing a band-sharing router architecture and a novel scheduling algorithm to ensure maximum possible utilization of the system.
- Analytical model of the proposed multi-band system performance.
- Comparing the proposed router architecture with the typical one.

Proposed Multi Band Router System



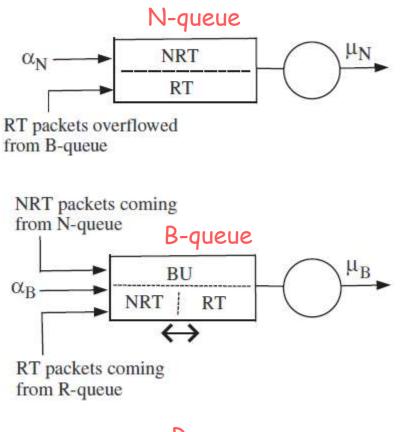
- Each device can use all bands at the same time to send and recieve data.
- Each band carries only one class data.
- If needed, multiple class data can be transfered over one band.

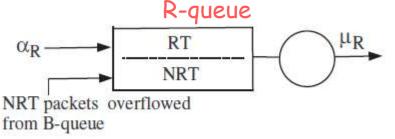
Proposed Multi Band Queuing System



Queue Management



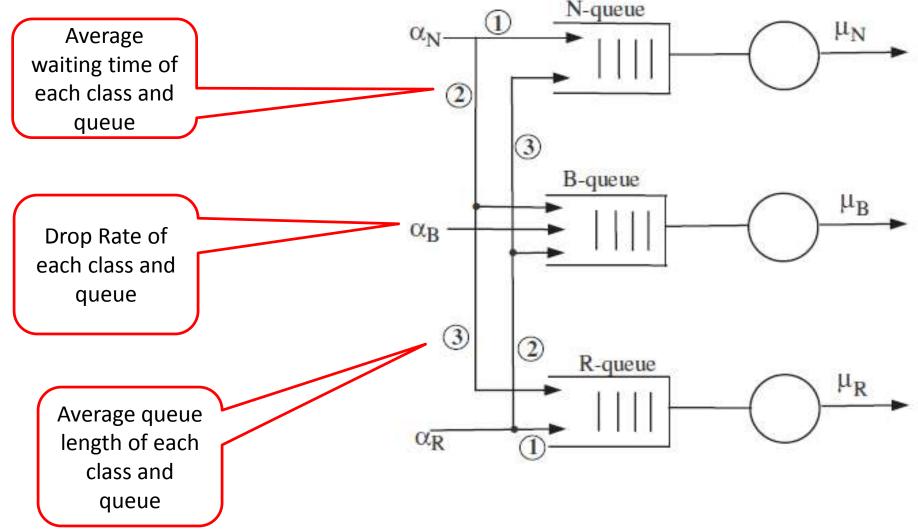




Scheduling Algorithm

- Attempts are first made to queue different class of traffic in their corresponding buffer.
- If N-queue (or R-queue) overflows, traffic is forwarded to B-queue.
 - If insufficient space in B-queue, then overflowed NRT and RT packets compete in B-queue based on priority
- If overflowed RT packets cannot be accommodated in B-queue, they are queued in N-queue (if space)
 - If the RT packets cannot even be accommodated in N-queue, they are dropped from the system.
- Similar policy is enforced when dealing with NRT packets in the Bqueue followed by R-queue.

Analysis of Queuing System



Analytical Model: Queuing Analysis of Proposed Architecture



Assumptions:

- Packet arrivals are Poisson.
- Queue discipline: FIFO with non-preemptive priority among various traffic classes.

Notations

- N_T Queue size of T-queue in the MR,
- α_T Total packet arrival rate at T-queue of *i*-th MN,
- μ_T Service rate at T-queue of *i*-th MN,
- $\sigma_{T_{BQ}}$ Priority of class-T traffic in B-queue,
- $P_{dT_{XQ}}$ T-type packet drop probability in X-queue, where $X \in \{B, N, R\},\$
- $E(D_T)$ Average queuing delay of class T packets,
- $E(n_T)$ Average queue occupancy of class T packets,
- P_{dT}^{sys} Final packet drop probability of class T packets.



- We have derived various performance metrics for the proposed multi-band MR architecture.
 - Packet drop probability
 - Average queue length
 - Average queue occupancy
 - Throughput
 - Average packet delay

For example, Packet drop prob. of RT packets in B-queue

$$P_{dR_{BQ}} = \frac{(1 - \rho_{BR})}{(1 - \rho_{BR}^{N_B + 2})} \rho_{BR}^{N_B + 1} + \frac{\alpha_B}{\alpha'_R} \left(\frac{(1 - \rho_{BR})}{(1 - \rho_{BR}^{N_B + 2})} \rho_{BR}^{N_B + 1} - P_{dB_{BQ}} \right)$$



$$E(n_T) = \begin{cases} \frac{\rho_T - (N_T + 1)\rho_T^{N_T + 1} + N_T \rho_T^{(N_T + 2)}}{\left(1 - \rho_T\right) \left(1 - \rho_T^{N_T + 1}\right)} &, \text{ if } \rho_T \neq 1\\ \frac{N_T}{2} &, \text{ if } \rho_T = 1 \end{cases}$$

Average queue occupancy of RT packets in the system: $E(n_R^{sys}) = E(n_R^{RQ}) + E(n_R^{BQ}) + E(n_R^{NQ})$ $= E(n_R^{RQ}) + \left(E(n_{B+R}^{BQ}) - E(n_B^{BQ})\right) + \left(E(n_{N+R}^{NQ}) - E(n_N^{NQ})\right)$

Throughput of T-type packets:

$$\gamma_T^{sys} = \left(1 - P_{dT}^{sys}\right)\alpha_T$$

Average packet delay of T-type packet:

$$E(D_T^{sys}) = \frac{E(n_T^{sys})}{\left(1 - P_{dT}^{sys}\right)\alpha_T}$$

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Results



- We have used discrete event simulation in MATLAB following M/M/3/N procedures.
- Equal buffer length (of 50 packets) for each queue.
- RT and NRT packets: 512 bytes, BU packets:64 bytes.
- We ran each simulation for 20 trials having different traffic class arrival rates.



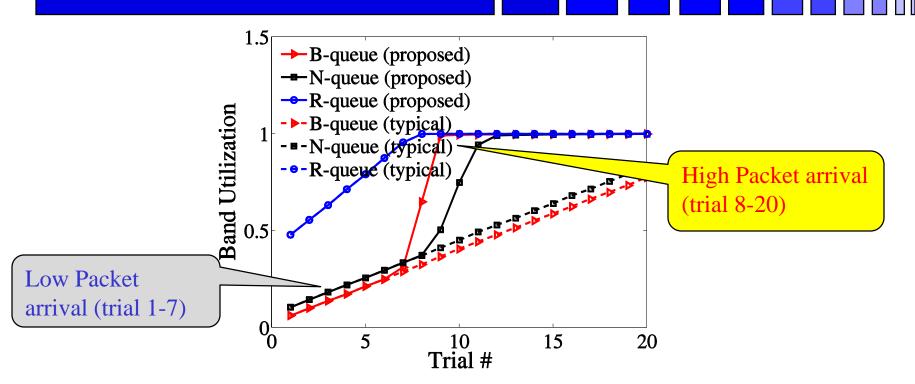
- Simulations were with increased arrival rates of all types of traffic to observe the impact of heavy traffic on the multi-band system.
- Traffic class arrival rates at different trials:

$$\lambda_B(i) = \{ i \}, \lambda_N(i) = \{ 3i \}, \lambda_R(i) = \{ 18i \}$$

where i = 1,2, ..., 20

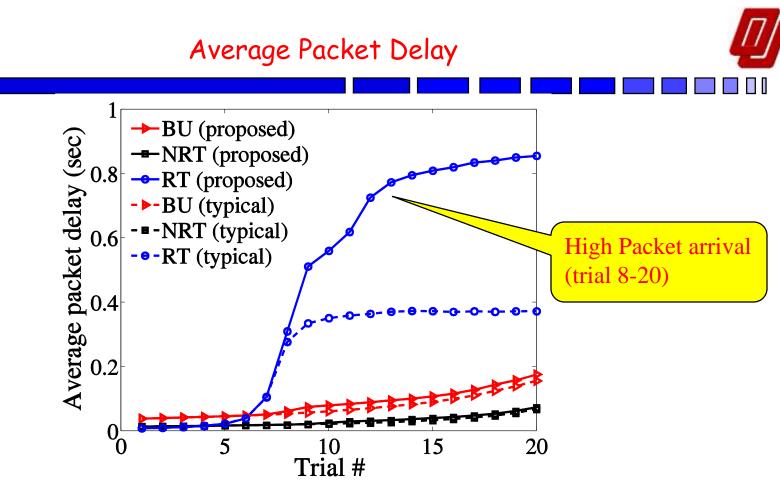
- The arrival rate of B-queue and N-queue are increased slowly in each trial whereas the RT traffic arrival rate are increased at a much higher rate.
 - This eventually saturates the R-queue and we explain the impact of this overflow on different performance parameters of our proposed system and typical multiband router.

Band Utilization



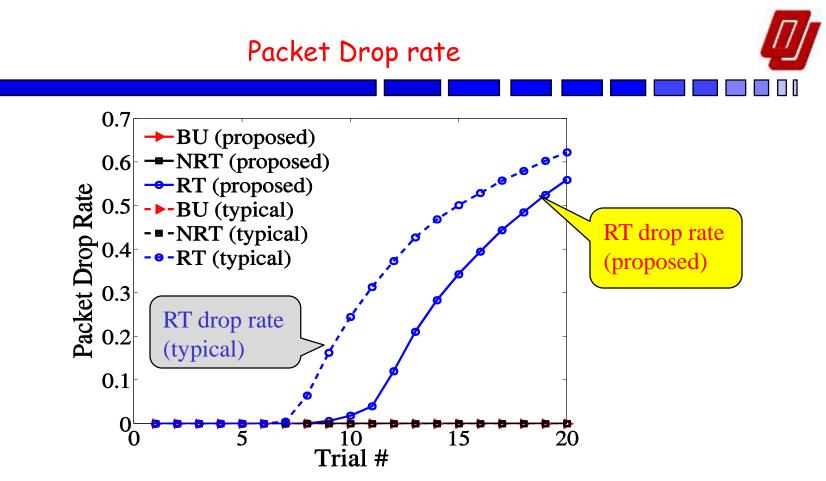
Low arrival rate: Both architecture have similar utilization.

- High arrival rates: B-queue and N-queue utilizations are much higher for proposed architecture than for typical one
 - Reason: Increased number of RT packets are dropped in typical architecture whereas in proposed one, they are accommodated in Bqueue and N-queue, thereby improving their utilizations and maximizing system performance.



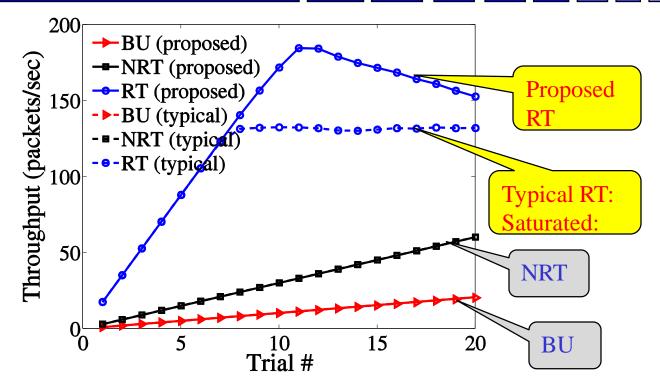
During high arrival rates, the delay for RT traffic in proposed architecture is higher than the typical one.

- Reason: excessive RT packets are immediately dropped in typical architecture and they are NOT considered in delay calculations.
- In proposed architecture overflowed RT packets are queued in B and N-queues before being dropped, thereby increasing the delay.



- For high RT arrival rates, RT packet drop rate gradually goes up for typical (non-shared) architecture.
- However, proposed architecture does not allow RT traffic to drop as long as they can be queued in B- and N-queues.

Throughput



- Throughput of NRT and BU class are increased with the increase of their arrival rates
- For RT class and for the typical architecture, the throughput is saturated
- RT class throughput (proposed architecture) go much higher (due to sharing of other under-utilized bands) and reaches its peak.
- After that it starts to decrease slowly due to the impact of increased arrival rates of other queues (B and N-queue).



- Proposed architecture maximizes utilization through band sharing.
- For RT traffic:
 - Average queue occupancy and delay of RT traffic affected.
 - Packet drop and throughput significantly improved.



Proposed scheduling algorithm for multi-band mobile routers that exploits band sharing.

- Developed analytical model of proposed multi-band system and validated by extensive simulations.
- Proposed architecture maximizes utilization through sharing of capacities among the bands
- Proposed scheduling algorithm can help network engineers build next generation mobile routers with higher throughput and utilization



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