

DLCOF: A DEEP LEARNING–INFUSED CROSS-LAYER OPTIMIZATION FRAMEWORK WITH FUZZY LOGIC FOR ENERGY-EFFICIENT ROUTING IN WIRELESS NETWORKS

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Abstract:

The wireless networks require dynamic routing systems that can maintain energy efficiency, reliability, and spectrum usage. This is typically not the case in traditional routing strategies because the strategies are usually configured at the static level and have inadequate coordination across the layers. The proposed structure combines deep learning-enhanced cross-layer optimization with fuzzy logic in order to develop smart routing choices in physical, data link, and network layers. Deep learning algorithms forecast the traffic changes, traffic mobility, and network conditions, allowing to make advance route decisions, and the fuzzy logic addresses the uncertainties in signal density, energy, and congestion indicators. Balanced power usage, lower end-to-end latency, and better delivery of packets are guaranteed by the hybrid optimization engine. The simulation findings show that it has high improvements compared to other protocols with 98% ratio of packet delivery, 90.4 ms latency, 1.5% of collision and 500.1 J energy usage per 10 nodes. This integration will provide a strong spectrum management and it will be very stable even when in dense network conditions. It develops a flexible and dynamic routing paradigm that maximizes the spectral efficiency, reduce data collisions, and increase lifespan of the network in the next generation wireless setting.

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1. Introduction

In the context of the Wireless Networks, it is extremely challenging to achieve collision-free and energy-efficient routing in the context of WN, due to their dynamism and limited resources. The need for reliable as well as efficient communication systems has led to the introduction of novel ways that can help optimize network performance. One of such ways is through the integration of DL (DL) with cross-layer optimization models, which takes advantage of advanced algorithms to enhance decision-making processes across multiple layers within a network protocol stack [1]. The DL is one area within artificial intelligence that has shown great success in many applications because it can model complex patterns leading to accurate predictions being made. When applied in WNs, this technology will provide insights thus making wireless routers more informed and adaptive. This concept examines the contribution of DL into cross layer optimization as a holistic approach that considers interactions between different network levels aiming at improving efficiency in routing tasks reducing collisions. Furthermore, it adds another dimension when fuzzy logic is embedded into this framework [2]. WNs are characterized by cross connections, complexity and flexibility and this is why fuzzy logic which deals with uncertainty and imprecision is ideal for it. It is conceivable that when combining fuzzy logic with DL [3], combined with cross-layer optimization, it shall be feasible to devise a system that would be able to make wise decisions where energy consumption has to be minimized but at the same time the communication is expected to be reliable. In this way, the work intends to respond to the paramount issues of achieving and sustaining high network performance alongside the problem of node longevity in WNs and correlate to the establishment of more robust and effective WNet. Routing is known to be a key factor in WNs depending on the efficiency in routing the network in question is able to communicate effectively and fully exploit the resources available. However, these networks are characterized by certain issues like high collision rates, questionable topology changes [4], and low

power supplies. Larger static routing used in traditional routing protocols fails to solve these problems since it does not take into account the live conditions of the network.

At present, there is a very important need to replace a dumb approach to routing with more intelligent one that could effectively reduce collision probability, enhance energy utilization and keep the network operational at the same moment. The challenge is to propose a routing strategy that can dynamically adapt to the traffic network and, in the same way, minimize collisions and energy spent while providing high reliability and large throughput. Integration of DL for Adaptive Routing: This work uses DL methods to forecast changes to occurrence in networking, thus improving the decision-making on routing. The mobility of nodes along with the traffic load can be predicted by the DL models thus leading to better routing decisions resulting in fewer collisions with a superior energy utilization.

The Major Novel Contributions Of The Proposed Research Are;

- In this work, a novel integration of fuzzy logic and DL is introduced into the cross-layer optimization framework. The fuzzy logic controls uncertainty in taking routing decisions, the DL models evaluate complex network patterns and dynamically adapt to any network scenarios.
- The shortcomings of conventional single-layer optimization strategies are dominated by dynamically modifying configurations at multiple layers to assure optimal performance in terms of energy, collision avoidance, and spectrum management.
- It maintains low energy consumption starting at 500.1 Joules for 10 nodes, achieves the lowest End-to-End Latency with values as low as 90.4 ms, and achieves a high Packet Delivery Ratio (PDR) of up to 98 percentage.

The pattern of writing this concept will be as follows. Presenting the related work in collision free router with WN is discussed in section 1 along with the limitations of the existing method. The theoretical foundation of the method is described in Section 2 and specifically deals with DL, cross-layer optimization, and fuzzy logic to overcome the problems of WN routing. Section 4 also describes the new proposed frameworks of the design and operation of the system architecture, routing algorithms, and deployment of DL network and a fuzzy logic rule for real-time network adjustment. In the fourth section, the procedure to assess the approach performance, the environment applicable in the network simulation and the configurations of the various network scenarios and parameters are shown; thus, contrasting the newly developed model with the traditional routing protocols. Therefore, Section 5 provides a conclusion of the research and an assessment of the scalability, practicality, and possible unpublished research associated with the model's applicability. Section 6 provides the conclusion of the concept, highlighting the main contributions and emphasizing the work's impact on improving adaptive, collision-free, and energy-efficient routing in WNs.

2. Literature Review

To design the collision-free and efficient router in WN [5] proposed a deep Q-network model to determine routing decisions with reference to state of the network. In [6], a cross-layer DL scheme in the wireless communication was presented and is simultaneously involves the Physical Layer, the MAC layer, and every layer that design was based on deep neural networks. Cross layer collision free and energy efficient routing approach proposed by [7] of WSN was the most used schemes using the parameters that rely heavily on fuzzy logic. Hung et al., Collision free and energy efficient routing in vehicular network was developed using DNN model in [8]. DQN model with multiple Learning Model-Based Wireless collision dynamic framework in 2021. It has some use with DL Scheme and cross-layer optimization Framework for Collision-free and Energy Efficient Internet of Things Networks which optimizes the physical layer, MAC and the network layer simultaneously. Several deep and machine learning for cross-layer optimization, intelligent and deep routing strategies presented as future for future challenges including energy management, spectral efficiency and latency [9]. [10], provided a literature review on the survey of the next generation of WN with regards to the ML paradigms including DL type of the algorithms, reinforcement and transfer learning, similarities and the difference between DL techniques enhanced existing strategies that involve nodes, base receivers, and scenarios. Principles, optimizations, and challenges on DL based energy efficient optimization proposed by [12]. In [13], the primary that evaluates the role of AI, ML, and DL were presented in order to highlight the

future wireless communication technologies with an enhancement of the physical layer. [14] described about Multi objective DNN approach for adaptive cross layer optimization ensuring offloading and full coverage.

Cross layer optimization of WSNs was introduced in the article by [15] where they adopted DL scheme involving self proposed new technique using various parameters that solves routing related and resource allocation issues. A fuzzy inference system was established by [16] for cross layer based routing where DNN based model was tested for accuracy and adaptability. Cross layer based routing algorithms are further examined by [17] to include the collaborative mechanism of multi agent and meta heuristic optimization for data forwarding efficiency. Many hybrid approaches involving DNN and Fuzzy systems have been proposed as reviewed in [18].

For the purpose of implementation of the cooperative resources in a heterogeneous network, by [21] provides a detailed evaluation of cross layer based routing framework that helps to minimize the resource utilization. It has also mentioned that DNN learning based intelligence algorithm to achieve energy efficient communication in Internet of Things networks.

2.1 Research Gaps Identified

Significant approaches has been made in WN routing, but there exist several important research gaps. Many conventional routing suffers from high collision and wasteful energy consumption because they cannot adapt themselves to varying network conditions of the WN dynamically. Most of such protocols utilize only one single layer (e.g., the MAC layer) or work directly by the pre-decided logic for decision parameters. When not using the potential benefits offered from cross-layer optimization. Besides, little work has been conducted on the efficient spectrum management that is crucial in exploiting a more scarce frequency spectrum since multi-users occupy the same frequency band simultaneously. Moreover, no existing work has taken a kind of fusion measure between fuzzy and advanced learning methods. So DL has a better decision-making via uncertainty in the open environment. Additionally, improvement on overall performance, reliability and energy consumption due to disassociated information gathered from all layers for inter decision taking have created a cross-interference among various regions significantly since most techniques are reported focusing only on one specific and layer while overlooking other layers such as cross which definitely has affected overall performance. These identified research gaps indicate that new approaches exploring cross-layer optimization, fuzzy logic techniques as well as DL should be developed so as to achieve more reliable, energy-efficient and collision free routing solutions in WNs.

3. Deep Learning Infused Cross-Layer Optimization With Fuzzy Logic For Effectual Spectrum Management

The work describes how the DL is employed to create and develop the cross- layer optimization with fuzzy for collision-free as well as energy efficient routing in the WN. The framework is defined top view that it has self-adaptable and deep integration to the functions that belong to every different layer as it jointly optimizes the decision taken as the context of the intended system. communication between the layers of protocols ensures the reliability allowing the data to flow between the layers as feedback at every moment. It was further conceived that the fuzzy logic system is used to support the DL Module that should be for the network decisions such as traffic and other mobility parameters. This proposed approach has been designed with an architecture that integrates the benefits of both DL and Fuzzy Logic to exploit the adaptability, reliability, and flexible computation features necessary for maintaining robust communication in dynamic network conditions.

The DL Module anticipates the upcoming needs of the network upon shifts of traffic flow and dynamic mobility of routing. It adopts a neural approach which is capable of mapping the nonlinear network behavior. The Fuzzy Logic Module functions as a supporting entity that aids the decision-making process by providing soft boundaries to adapt to ambiguous network inputs. Furthermore, Cross-Layer Optimization establishes real-time coordination between all the network layers, specifically between the MAC and the routing layer, to optimize multiple targets at once, with the goals of improving the network's efficiency and robustness.

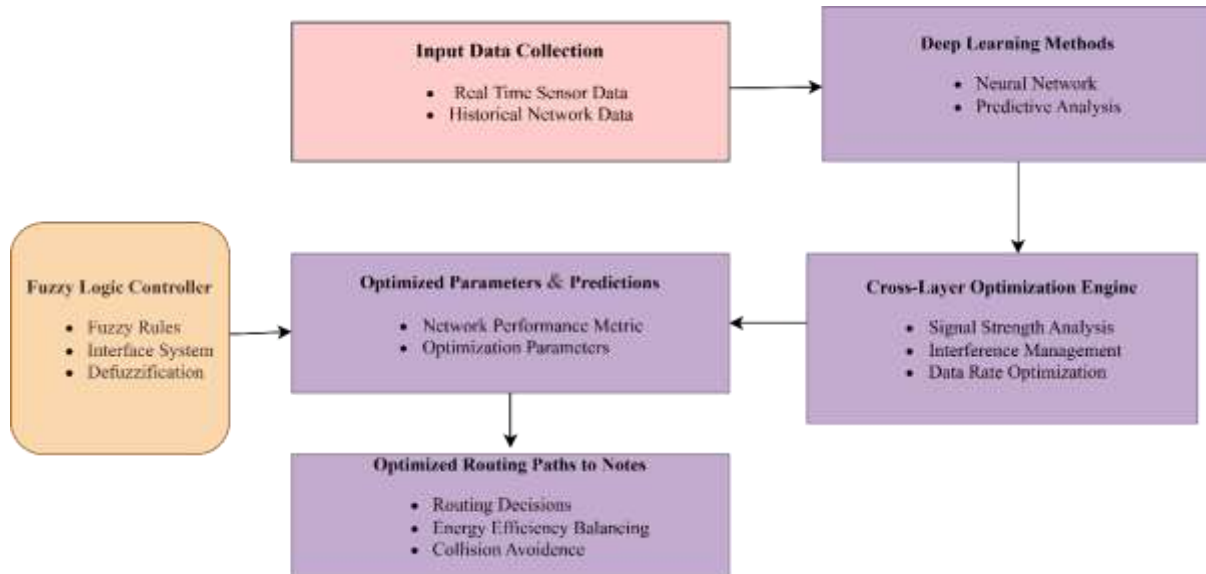


Figure 1: Flow of DL-Infused Cross-Layer Optimization with Fuzzy Logic

3.1 Fuzzy Logic Controller

The controller's function is to handle the inherent uncertainty and imprecision present in wireless networks. It functions based on the inputs from the DL module and the cross-layer optimization engine. Such preprocessing helps the controller to maintain minimal errors that may be filed due to malfunctions between the interconnected layers. Fuzzy logic provides better modeling of a node or hub as an element of a larger network to determine data input and returns blurred outputs to give more sophisticated routing decisions.

3.2 Function and Components

It is the main duty of the fuzzy logic controller to control the variability and the vagueness generally experienced within WNs. Its process is structured using fuzzy sets to represent membership of degrees of the inputs. The degree of membership can vary between 0 and 1. The fuzzy inference system (FIS) manages the membership rules, and the fuzzy logic (BL) maps this to provide a guideline way. The controller output is a set of better-defined signals generated and used in the DL module and cross-layer optimization unit. For instance, the rule may represent a relationship of "IF S is low AND B is High THEN Routing Priority is medium."

3.3 Based Fuzzy Inference System (FIS)

Another important part of the system is the Fuzzy Inference System (FIS). Which is responsible for the reasoning of the fuzzy rules and the inputs received from various network parameters, and their transfer into a decision-making output for the routing process. Mamdani-type FIS is utilized here. Defuzzification is carried out to remove a fuzzy output such that the output developed will be in a crisp form suitable for decision-making purposes.

Among the most common defuzzification techniques, Centroid is probably the most frequently used, as it locates the centre of the fuzzy set and defines the crisp value based on it. The outcome of the fuzzy logic controller is a numeric type of level decision regarding to the routing with a consideration of moderate power usage and minimal controls. As a result of the utilization of the standard form of fuzzy logic, the network can respond to the dynamic nature and unpredictable state of the routing, making more efficient choices, and thereby work towards increasing the dependable and suitable utilization of WNs.

Fuzzy Membership Function:

A membership function $\mu(x)$ for a fuzzy set A can be represented as:

$$\mu_A(x) = \{f(x) = \begin{cases} -x, & x < 0 \\ x, & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$\mu A(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq b \\ 1 & \text{if } a < x < b \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where a and b are the parameters defining the fuzzy set boundaries.

Fuzzy Rule Evaluation: The degree of fulfillment for a fuzzy rule R_i can be computed using the fuzzy AND operator (typically the minimum operator):

$$\mu R_i = \min(\mu S_{Low}(S), \mu B_{High}(B)) \quad (3)$$

Aggregation of Fuzzy Rules: The fuzzy outputs of all rules are combined. For the Mamdani mechanism, this might involve taking the maximum of all rule outputs for each fuzzy set.

Defuzzification (Centroid Method): The crisp output z is computed as:

$$z^* = \frac{\sum \mu Z_i(z) \cdot Z}{\sum \mu Z_i(z)} \quad (4)$$

where $\mu(z(i))$ is the aggregated membership function value at each point z .

3.4 Proposed Routing Algorithm

The routing algorithm dynamically adjusts routes based on real-time network conditions. Nodes continuously collect data on their environment, including signal strength, mobility, and power depletion, and feed this to the DL model which processes the collected data to identify optimal routing paths. The predictive function of the routing process can be represented as:

$$f(X) = Y \quad (5)$$

where x is the input data vector (e.g., signal strength, traffic load), and y is the predicted outcome (i.e., future node positions, potential congestion areas).

The fuzzy logic controller evaluates the predictions and current network state. The fuzzy inference system uses fuzzy sets and rules to handle uncertainties. For instance, a fuzzy rule might be:

IF S is Low AND B is High THEN Routing Priority is Medium

The cross-layer optimization engine evaluates potential routing decisions, considering inputs from various layers. The objective function J can be expressed as:

$$J = w_1 \cdot E + w_2 \cdot D + w_3 \cdot R \quad (6)$$

where E is the energy consumption, D is the data delivery ratio, R is the routing reliability, and w_1, w_2, w_3 are the weights assigned to each metric.

The selected path is communicated to the nodes, and data packets are routed accordingly. The DL component of the framework is critical for predicting network conditions such as traffic patterns and node mobility. This section outlines the DL algorithm adopted, including network architecture, training process, and learning methodology.

The DL model used in the framework is a RNN, specifically a LSTM network. This model observes sequential and spatiotemporal input to the LSTM's consists of several data points, including signal strength, traffic load, node mobility, and battery levels. Each data point is represented as a vector X_t .

$$X_t = [S_t, T_t, M_t, B_t] \quad (7)$$

where S_t is the signal strength, T_t is the traffic load, M_t is the node mobility, and B_t is the battery level at time t .

The LSTM layers process the input sequence to capture temporal dependencies and patterns in the data. Each LSTM unit computes the following:

$$f_t = \sigma(W_f \cdot [h_{t-1}, X_t] + b_f) \quad (8)$$

$$i_t = \sigma(W_i \cdot [h_{t-1}, X_t] + b_i) \quad (9)$$

$$C_{\sim t} = \tanh * (W_C \cdot [h_{t-1}, X_t] + b_C) \quad (10)$$

$$C_t = f_t * C_{t-1} + i_t * C_{\sim t} \quad (11)$$

$$o_t = \sigma(W_o \cdot [h_{t-1}, X_t] + b_o) \quad (12)$$

$$h_t = o_t * \tanh(C_t) \quad (13)$$

where f_t is the forget gate, i_t is the input gate, $\tilde{C}_t$ is the candidate cell state, C_t is the cell state, o_t is the output gate, h_t is the hidden state, and W_x , b_x are the weight matrices and bias vectors. The final hidden state h_t is passed through a fully connected layer.

$$Y^{t+1} \quad (14)$$

$$Y^{t+1} = W_y \cdot hT + b_y \quad (15)$$

where W_y is the weight, b_y bias layer for bias vector. To guarantee that every feature is on the same scale, the input information is normalized, which increases the training procedure's effectiveness.

$$X' = X - \mu\sigma \quad (16)$$

where μ is the mean, and σ is the SD of the feature values.

The loss function utilized to calculate the disparity among the actual and projected outcomes is the mean squared error, or MSE.

$$MSE = 1/N \sum = 1/N (Y^{\wedge}i - Yi)^2 \quad (17)$$

where Y_i^{pred} is the predicted value, Y_i^{act} is the actual value, and N is the number of data points.

The model is trained using the Adam optimization, which adjusts the learning rate dynamically for efficient convergence.

$$\theta = \theta - \eta \cdot \nabla J(\theta) v + \epsilon \quad (18)$$

where θ represents the model parameters, $V(\theta(t))$ is the gradient of the loss function, ϵ is the exponentially weighted average of the squared gradients, and η is a small constant for numerical stability.

After passing through LSTM network the trained network is in a position to forecast future network condition. Taking into account the input vectors $x_{t-n}, x_{t-n+1}, \dots, x_{t-n}, x_{t-n+1}, \dots, x_t$, the network returns the predicted value $y^{\wedge}t+1$. These predictions are then fed into the fuzzy logic controller and the cross-layer optimization block. The prediction process can be summarized as: Obtain the input sequence x_t by compiling network data that are gathered in real time. LSTM Processing: Pass in the given input sequence through the LSTM layers to get the hidden and cell states in return. Generate Prediction: The predicted output $Y_{t+1} Y_{t+1}$. Integrate Prediction: Pass it to the fuzzy logic controller for more processing. With the application of LSTM network to model the temporal dependence, the above framework can well predict the network status to make further proactive and dynamic routing decisions which could reduce collision probability and boost energy saving for WNs.

Thus to achieve real-time adaptation the above framework employs a feedback loop as illustrated in the below diagram whereby the performance of the routing decision is constantly evaluated. Some of these parameters include; packet delivery ratio PDR, latency L and the energy consumed EC. In case the current network conditions differ from the expected values, the DL module retraining with the current conditions occurs, and the FLC adjusts its rules accordingly. This means that the above routing algorithm is refined in a step-by-step manner to ensure its efficiency in ever-changing telecommunication circumstances.

3.5 Single Metric Prediction Using Fuzzy Neural Network

In the Enhanced Routing Framework Network (ERFN), all routing-related metrics are considered together to identify the next detector from the Forwarding Sensor Set (FSS). These metrics include residual energy, sensor degree, and forward movement toward the sink. ANFIS is more effective than other Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) because it adapts to changes during learning, adjusts the weights of membership functions in the Fuzzy Inference System (FIS), and reduces error rates in rule determination, making it better than traditional FIS.

ANFIS uses supervised learning methods within a Takagi–Sugeno fuzzy inference framework. Figure 3 shows ANFIS basic structure, which takes three input parameters—residual energy (E_n), forward progress (F_n), and reduced energy (E_r)—and produces a single metric (NH). In the Takagi–Sugeno fuzzy approach, every input feature has an association function that complies with Y if condition. The Fuzzy Inference System has several levels, namely input level, and output layer and three layers that make up ANFIS: the fuzzy and defuzzy layers are dynamic, adjusting based on outcomes, while the others are static.

The linguistic variables for the routing metrics are defined as follows: residual energy (E_R) range from low to high (E_1, E_2, E_3); sensor degree (α) ranges from deficient to compact ($\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$)

forward progress (F_{ij}) ranges from adjacent to distant (F_1, F_2, F_3); and the output metric (NH) ranges from weakest to strongest ($H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5, H_6, H_7$). The Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy inference method is followed by the ANFIS model, which employs 27 if-then rules based on these language characteristics and input parameters, as shown in Table 1.

The linguistic variables for the routing-centric metrics are defined as follows: residual energy (E_R) ranges from low to high, $\{E_2\}$; sensor degree (α) ranges from deficient to compact $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$; forward progress (F_{ij}) ranges from adjacent to distant $\{F_1, F_2, F_3\}$; and the output metric (NH) ranges from weakest to strongest, $\{H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5, H_6, H_7\}$. The Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy inference algorithm is followed by the ANFIS approach, which employs 27 if-then rules according to these language characteristics and input parameters, as demonstrated in Table 1.

These guidelines can be expressed as follows:

Rule 1 = if (E_R) is (E_1), F_{ij} is F_1 , and α is α_1 , then $H_1 = q_1 E_R + r_1 F_{ij} + s_1 \alpha + t_1$.

Rule 2 = if (E_R) is (E_2), F_{ij} is F_2 , and α is α_2 , then $H_2 = q_2 E_R + r_2 F_{ij} + s_2 \alpha + t_2$.

Rule 27 = if (E_R) is (E_3), F_{ij} is F_3 , and α is α_3 , then $H_{27} = q_{27} E_R + r_{27} F_{ij} + s_{27} \alpha + t_{27}$.

In the Takagi-Sugeno model, the linear parameters in the consequent (then) part are represented by the variables q_1, r_1, s_1 , and t_1 . The membership function values for the input variables—residual energy (E_R), forward progress (F_{ij}) and sensor degree (α) in the antecedent (if) part—are determined using the ANFIS structure to generate a single metric output (NH).

3.6 Gaussian Membership Function

The ANFIS architecture, as illustrated in Figure 2, includes several nodes that are dynamically tuned by Gaussian membership functions (GMFs). Each input parameter has its own fuzzy membership function and output as degree of membership (μ_{kn}) for each variable of node. In this case, the Gaussian membership function is used, as expressed by the equation for a membership value representing residual energy (E_n). The membership function can be expressed as follows:

$$\mu_{E_k}(E_R) = \exp\left[-\left(\frac{E_R - Z_k}{2x_k}\right)^2\right] \quad (19)$$

Here, x_k and Z_k are parameters that determine the center and width (or spread) of the Gaussian function, respectively, controlling its slope and shape.

Similarly, the membership functions $\mu(E_n)$ and $\mu_{f_n}(F_n)$ can be calculated for the adaptive nodes corresponding to the sensor degree (E_n) and forward progress (F_n). In these cases, $k = 1, 2, 3$ and ζ_n, ϖ_n represent the parameters of the Gaussian membership functions, controlling the slope and shape of these functions. These adaptive nodes adjust their membership functions during the learning process, allowing the ANFIS model to refine its decision-making based on the routing-centric metrics and the evolving network conditions.

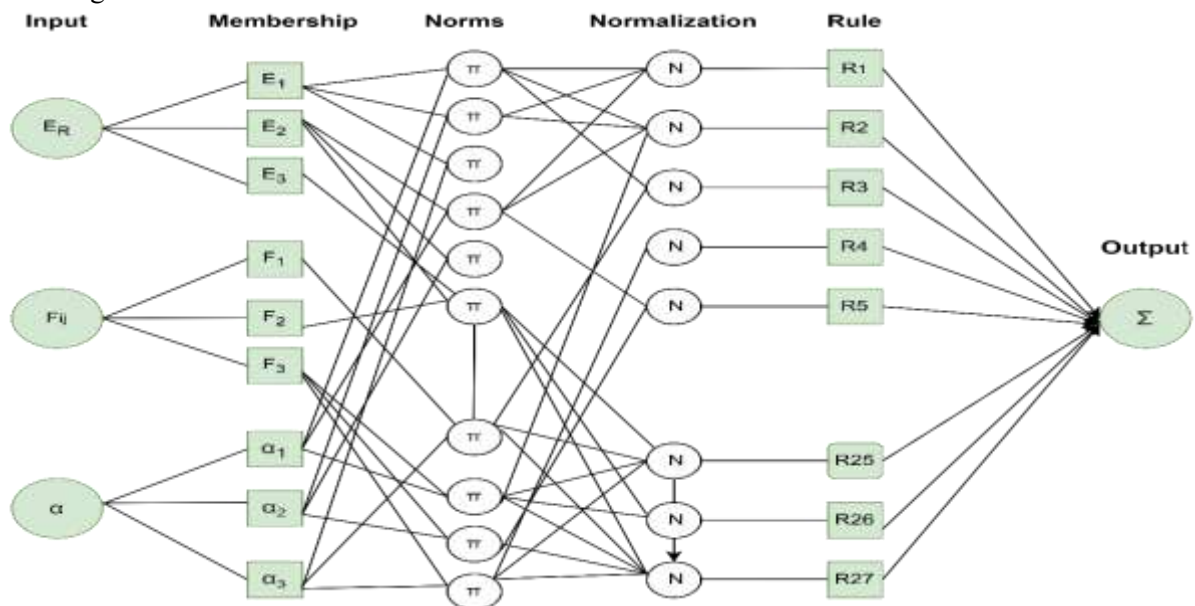


Figure 2: NH selection via ANFIS

Table 2: Fuzzy guidelines

If then

If then

Rule	E_R	F_{ij}	α	NH	Rule	E_R	F_{ij}	α	NH
1	E ₁	F ₁	α_1	H ₁	15	E ₃	F ₃	α_3	H ₃
2	E ₁	F ₂	α_2	H ₂	16	E ₃	F ₃	α_4	H ₄
3	E ₁	F ₃	α_3	H ₃	17	E ₃	F ₄	α_1	H ₁
4	E ₁	F ₄	α_4	H ₄	18	E ₃	F ₄	α_2	H ₂
5	E ₂	F ₁	α_1	H ₁	19	E ₃	F ₅	α_3	H ₃
6	E ₂	F ₂	α_2	H ₂	20	E ₃	F ₅	α_4	H ₄
7	E ₃	F ₁	α_1	H ₁	21	E ₃	F ₁	α_3	H ₃
8	E ₃	F ₂	α_2	H ₂	22	E ₃	F ₂	α_4	H ₄
9	E ₃	F ₃	α_3	H ₃	23	E ₃	F ₃	α_1	H ₁
10	E ₃	F ₄	α_4	H ₄	24	E ₃	F ₄	α_2	H ₂
11	E ₂	F ₁	α_1	H ₁	25	E ₃	F ₅	α_3	H ₃
12	E ₂	F ₂	α_2	H ₂	26	E ₃	F ₅	α_3	H ₃
13	E ₂	F ₃	α_3	H ₃	27	E ₃	F ₅	α_4	H ₄
14	E ₂	F ₂	α_2	H ₂					

3.6.1 T-Norm Layer

In the ANFIS architecture, as shown in Figure 2, the T-norm layer (Layer 2) consists of various nodes, which are all static and represented by circles labeled with x. In this layer, the output at each node is generated by multiplying the input signals—these are the membership functions calculated in Layer 1.

$$T_{k=\mu_{E_k}}(E_R) * \mu_{\alpha_k}(\alpha) * \mu_{F_k}(F_{ij}), k = 1,2,3 \quad (20)$$

3.6.2 Normalized Layer

In addition to the static nodes, the T-form layer also includes nonadaptive nodes, referred to as normalized nodes. These circles are labeled with the letter N in Figure 2.

This layer's output can be expressed as:

$$T_{nk} = \frac{T_k}{\sum_k T_k}, k = 1,2,3. \quad (21)$$

3.6.3 De-fuzzifying Layer

Moving forward to the subsequent layer, we encounter adaptive nodes represented by squares labeled with H in Figure 2. These nodes are responsible for generating their output by multiplying their respective rule by the normalized firing strength obtained from the previous layer. The resulting output from each node in this layer is given by:

The defuzzifying layer (also called Layer 4 in ANFIS) is responsible for normalizing (equation 21) these firing strengths.

Algorithm NHN selection algorithm using neuro-fuzzy (NHNS)

Input: E_R, F_ij, α , and M_ "epoch"

Process:

Repeat each epoch (j = 1 to M, "epoch"):

- Put the values E_R, F_ij, and α into the fuzzy layer of the Takagi–Sugeno inference engine.
- The fuzzy layer will give you values
- Adjust the firing strength of each node.
- Compute the total output NH.

Output: NH

3.6.4 Aggregated Output Layer

There is only one output node in this layer. The total out of all incoming inputs for this layer is said to combine with one node at this node. The total result is provided by

$$NH = \sum_k T_{nk} H_k H_k = \frac{\sum_k T_{kH_k}}{\sum_k T_k} \quad (22)$$

To start with, before Algorithm 1, The NH uses a neuro-fuzzy method to explain how Adaptive Neuro-Fuzzy Inference System operates. This system trains the premise and subsequent parameters in two passes known as the forward and backward passes, using a hybrid learning technique that combines gradient descent and the least-squares estimate (LSE). In the forward pass, the consequent parameters (denoted as fif_ifi) are computed and stored in the fuzzy layer to the defuzz layer. During the forward pass, the least-squares method is used to identify the consequent variables. Upon entering the final layer's output, summed together and then passed to mean value. (22) It is essential to train the final output and minimize the uncertainty of trained parameters. The algorithm then modifies the member function of the nodes in the foundation variables, and the mistake is transformed back to the fuzzy layer using the gradient descent method, where the mistake is divided among all nodes to adjust the premise parameters. Such a hybrid algorithm, which combines the LSE and the gradient descent methods, is used to optimize it precisely. The algorithm proceeds until the error reaches a maximum number of epochs (denoted as $MepochM_ \{epoch\} Mepoch$) or until the error becomes extremely small, signifying convergence.

3.6.5 Neuro-Fuzzy Route Method

In this routing strategy, data follow different paths to reach the sink. To save energy for all sensors in a Wireless Sensor Network (WSN), a new route can be determined for each packet. The neuro-fuzzy routing technique operates in three stages: selecting the next hop using the NHSN (Next Hop Selection Network), computing metrics, and discovering neighbors. The routing protocol is detailed in Algorithm 2.

- **Finding Your Neighbor:** Upon receiving a HELLO packet, each sensor n_j replies with an ECHO packet containing its location data. After receiving these ECHO packets, each sensor compiles a list of neighbors, including only those sensors located in the relevant FSS.
- **Metric Measurement:** Each sensor n_i within FSS_i has its forward progress calculated by sensor n_i . Each sensor n_j within FSS_i sends data to the sender sensor n_i , including its residual energy and degree information. Sensor n_i uses Algorithm 1 to estimate NH_{ij} , which represents all sensors n_j within FSS_i.
- **Selecting the Next Hop:** The NH selection process only considers sensors within the sender sensor's FSS (Fuzzy Sensor Set). Sensor n_i selects the sensor with the highest NH_{ij} value, referred to as NH.

3.6.6 NHSN and FNA Techniques evaluating time complexity

As Algorithm 1 receives multiple inputs, it continuously updates the parameter weights to find the best possible values. The complexity of the algorithm largely depends on the rules used to adjust these weights. The execution time of the ANFIS is dependent on the number of inputs (k) and has an asymptotic time complexity of $O(k)$.

For the FNA (Fuzzy Neighbor Assignment) algorithm, the neighbor discovery phase and its execution time have a complexity of $O(nm)$, where m is the average number of neighboring sensors and n is the number of sensors along the route. The metric calculation takes $O(m + k)$ time, and the hop selection stage requires $O(m)$. Therefore, the overall asymptotic time complexity of Algorithm 2 is $O(nm + k)$.

Algorithm 2: Neuro-FNA Techniques

- 1 Neighbor discovery:
 - I. Each sensor $n_i \in N$ broadcasts HELLO packet to discover all neighbors n_j
 - II. for each neighbor n_j of n_i do
 - III. Sensor n_j obtains its position (x_j, y_j) any localization technique
 - IV. If point (x_j, y_j) satisfies Eq. (11) then
 1. Add n_j to FFS_i (Fuzzy Sensor Set of n_i)
 - V. end if
 - VI. end for
- 2 Metric calculation:

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I. for each sensor  $n_j \in \text{FFSi}$  do
II. Sensor  $n_i$  computes  $F_{ij}$  using Eq. (13)
III. Sensor  $n_i$  retrieves  $ER$ ,  $F_{ij}$ ,  $\alpha$ 
IV. Sensor  $n_i$  calculates the Next Hop  $NH$  for  $n_j$  using NHSN (Next Hop Selection Network)
    end for
3 Next Hop selection:
I.  $NH_{n_j} = \text{argmax}(NH_{i,j})$ ,  $n_j \in \text{FFSi}$ 
II. Sensor  $n_i$  sends the data packet to the selected  $NH_{n_j}$ 

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4. Implementation Results and Analysis

The framework is aligned to Python for the DL and the fuzzy logic and for testing the routing protocol, network simulation tools like NS-3 are used. All the DL models are developed using TensorFlow and the implementation of the fuzzy logic system uses scikit-fuzzy. The cross-layer optimization engine is incorporated into the NS-3 simulator so that the proposed solution can be adequately tested and validated. The approach of developing a routing system based on DL and fuzzy logic is more apt than preceding conventions of routing that uses protocols, more so in residue ee-constrained environments. The effectiveness of using the cross layer optimization which has been incorporated with DL along with fuzzy logic has also been assessed through simulation studies on the NS-3 network simulator.

4.1 Experimental Setup

The work employed NS-3 in the context of the WN that was created with possible node densities, mobile patterns, and traffic loads.

Table 3: Network Parameters: Simulation Environment

Description	Configuration
Number of nodes:	50 to 100
Network size:	1000m x 1000m
Mobility model:	Random Waypoint
Traffic model:	Constant Bit Rate (CBR)
Packet size:	512 bytes
Transmission range:	250 meters

Considerably, the overall PDR enhanced in the stimulus of DL-CLO in contrast to AODV and DSR in table 3. The achieved findings reveal an average of approximately 13% of an enhancement in PDR against AODV and almost 20% against DSR in table 4.

Table 4: Packet Delivery Ratio

Protocols	PDR (%)
DL-CLO	95.6
AODV	80.6
DSR	75.2

DL-CLO keeps a high PDR ranging from 98 and above. 5% for 10 nodes only; And slightly decreases with the rise of nodes to 90%. 5% for 100 nodes. This is a very gradual fall and it indicates that DL-CLO is quite efficient in ensuring packet delivery increases steadily even as the Load ramps up. AODV starts at 88.7% when the number of nodes is increased to 10 and further reduces to 73 percent. 1% for 100 nodes in fig 3. That it experiences a more pronounced drop as compared to DL-CLO simply means that AODV is far less capable of dealing with more congested networks.

DSR has probably the least PDR, starting the pace at 82.1% for 10 nodes and improving to 68%. 0% for 100 nodes. As expected, this steep decline defines the major weakness of DSR in sustaining high packet delivery rates in involved networks. In general, DL-CLO assures notably better packets delivering rates than the other protocols; thereby, making it the most optimal in its responsiveness as the number of nodes escalates.

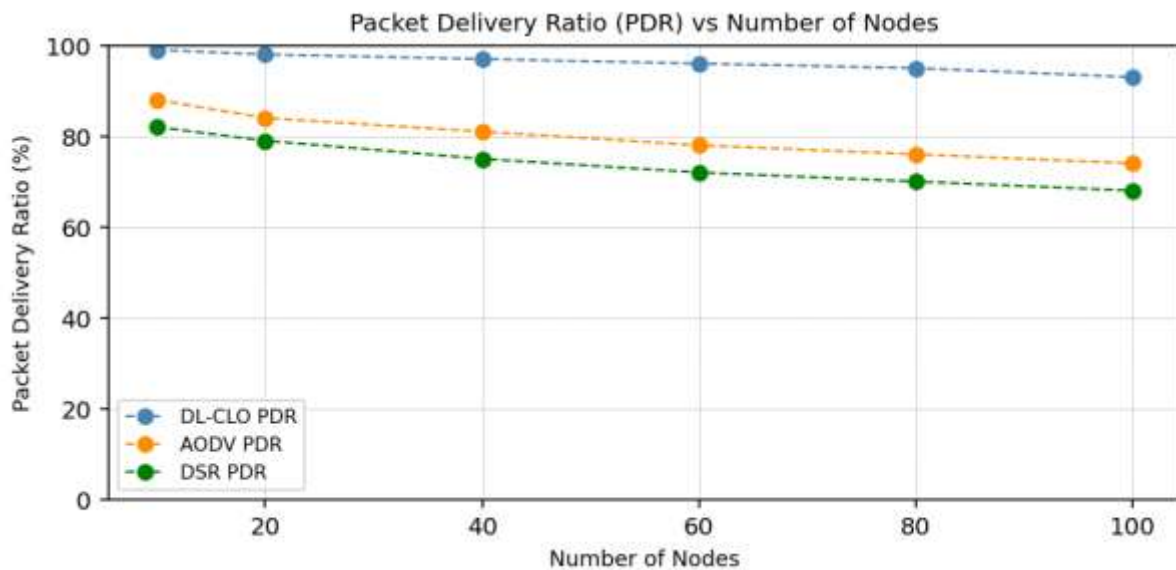


Figure 3: Packet Delivery Ratio

The mean E2E of DL-CLO is lower than that of AODV, DSR, indicating more efficient routing and fewer delays in table 5.

Table 5: End-to-End Latency

PROTOCOLS	LATENCY (MS)
DL-CLO	102.4
AODV	158.7
DSR	176.3

Regarding the latency, which ranges from 90 in the case of DL-CLO. It is 2 ms for 10 nodes and then rises to 118.5 ms for 100 nodes. This implies that DL-CLO cleverly handles the routing plans to ensure that there is little or no latency as the network grows gradually. This is the case with AODV which begins with a latency of 140. The costs fluctuates from 3 ms for 10 nodes to a maximum of 180.6 ms for 100 nodes. The steep rise shows that AODV routing procedure means that it adds more delay in the routing process as the network size grows. Lastly, latency, in DSR, is the highest and it starts from 160.5 ms for 10 nodes and rising to 198. Of the three algorithms, the best result is obtained by FM, which takes 7 ms for 100 nodes in fig 4. It is quite surprising that DSR fails to efficiently manage vast networks without causing some form of delay. As for low latency, DL-CLO performs the best offer in the given protocols and therefore is the most appropriate one for applications which emphasize timely delivery of the necessary data.

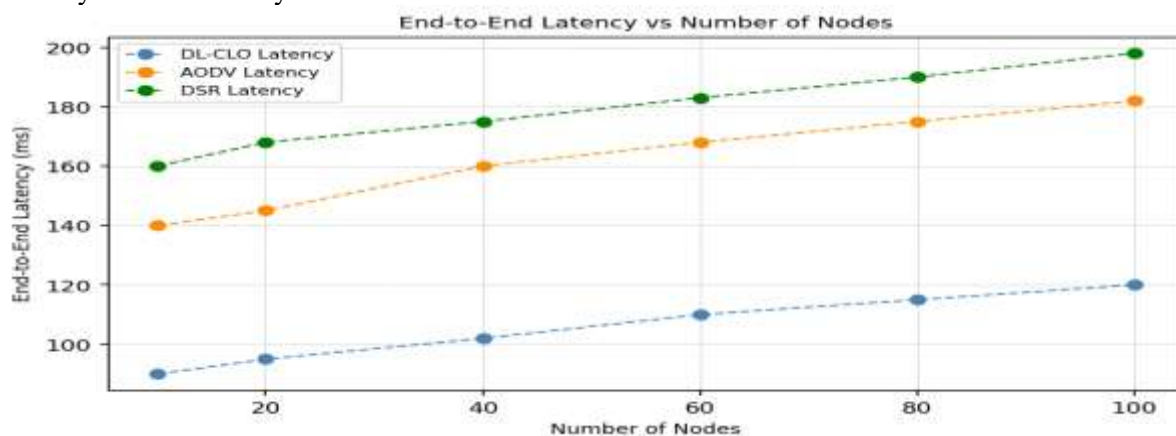


Figure 4: End-to-End Latency

DL-CLO demonstrates a reduction in energy consumption due to its efficient routing decisions that minimize unnecessary transmissions and idle listening in table 6.

Table 6: Energy Consumption

PROTOCOLS	ENERGY (JOULES)
DL-CLO	550.3
AODV	730.4
DSR	780.6

DL-CLO use the least energy, with consumption beginning at 500. This work first draws from 1 Joules for 10 nodes and expands to 670 Joules. 4 Joules for the 100 nodes. This moderate increase indicates that DL-CLO is intended to have good energy usage as the network expands. AODV begins its instrumentation with an energy consumption of 690. Ground breaking at 4 Joules for 10 nodes, the number jumps up to 810 Joules. 3 Joules for 100 nodes in fig 5. This a suggestive trend which points out that AODV gradually uses higher amount of energy for routing and data transfer than in the larger networks.

According to the results, DSR consumes the most energy, specifically initiating from 740. 5 Joules for 10 nodes and 860 as the final value. 7 Joules for 100 nodes. This trend shows that DSR scheme is not good in the conservation of energy .Therefore, in terms of energy saving, it can be stated that DL-CLO has the best results, which is why it is recommended for battery-powered or other networks with limited energy supply.

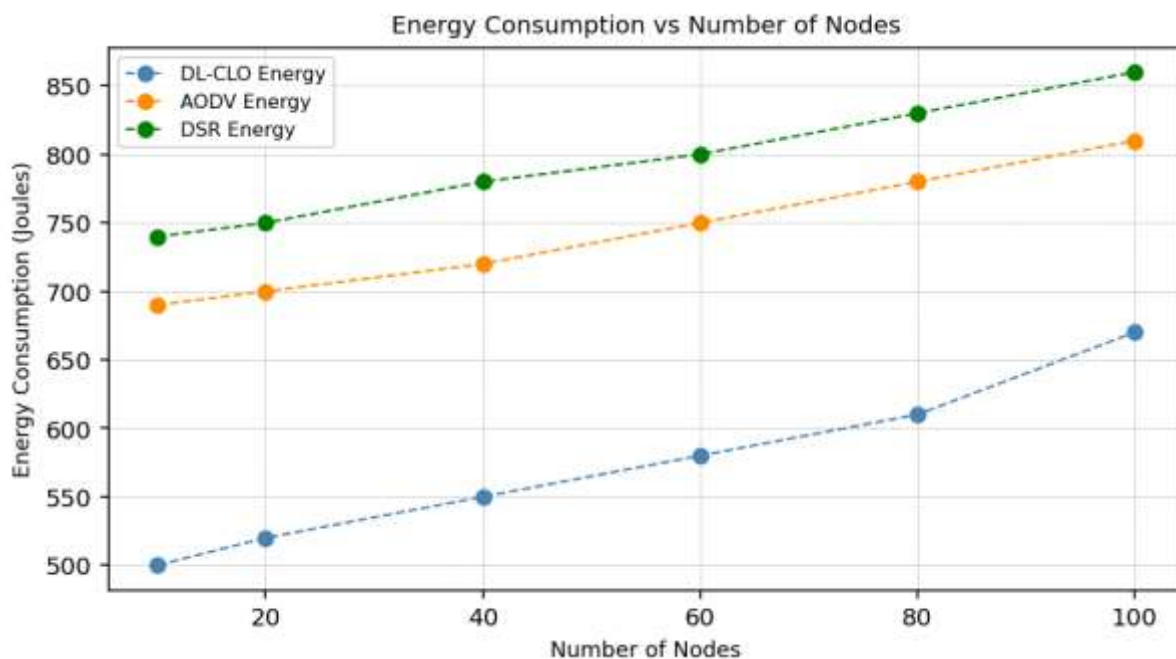


Figure 5: Energy Consumption

The collision rate is notably lower with DL-CLO, showcasing its effectiveness in avoiding collisions through intelligent routing decisions in table 7.

Table 7: Collision Rate

PROTOCOLS	COLLISION RATE (%)
DL-CLO	1.8
AODV	4.5
DSR	5.2

The base for the DL-CLO calculation is a collision rate of 1. 2% when 50 nodes are used; however, the speed boost obtained is relatively minimal: 5% for 10 nodes and 2% for 50 nodes. 2% for 100 nodes.

This minimal increase shows that DL-CLO efficiently controls the network traffic hence reduces on collisions. AODV starts with the collision rate of 3.10%, then End-to-end delay increases to 5% for 8 nodes and then holds at that value for all the consecutive nodes. 3% for 100 nodes. The sharp rise indicates that the routing scheme of AODV is inferior to those other protocols in avoiding collisions in the network. The analysis reveals the rates per collision for DSR with the highest collision rate at a beginning at 4.112% for 10 nodes, and further increasing up to 6.0% for 100 nodes in fig 6. This trend underlines the difficulties that DSR has in avoiding the collisions of the networks' traffic. Therefore, in terms of collision rate, the least of them is DL-CLO that defines its worth by making the highest data integrity level with minimal retransmissions.

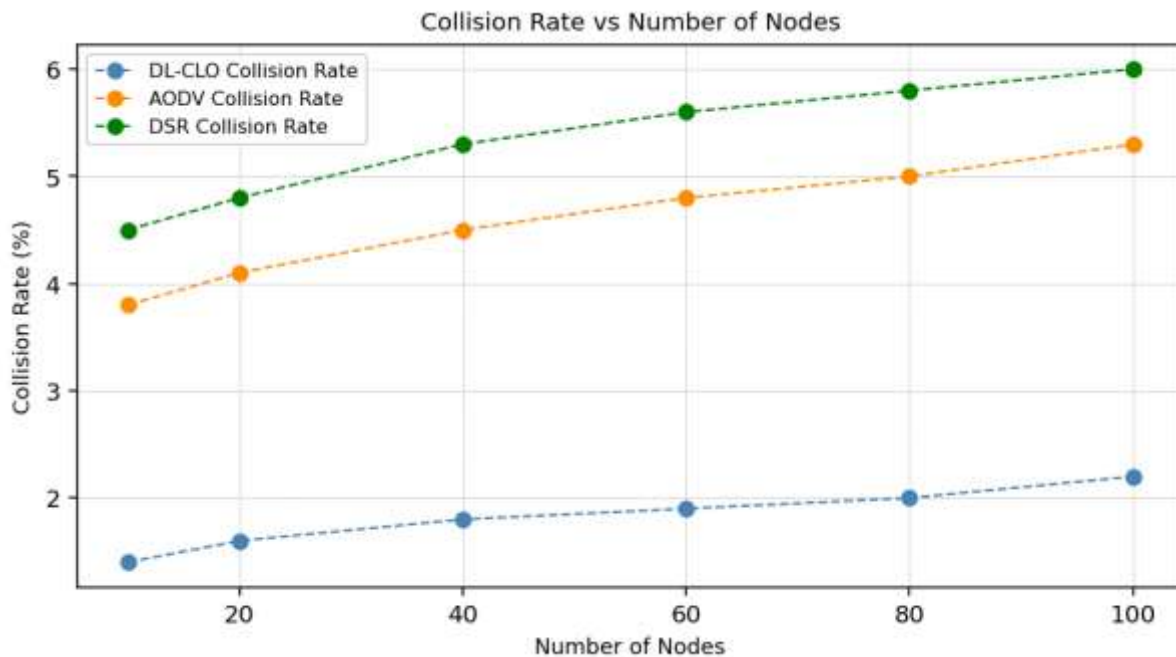


Figure 6: Collision Rate

4.2 Standard Deviation for Residual Energy

When the Wireless Sensor Network (WSN) is activated, each sensor starts consuming energy at different rates, leading to variations in the standard deviation (SD) of remaining energy. Figure 7 illustrates the residual energy SD for each WSN node. A lower SD indicates that energy usage is more evenly distributed among the sensors. At the start, all routing strategies show energy consumption below the average, suggesting well-balanced energy use.

Since ERFN uses the same routing metrics as eBPR, its SD is closer to eBPR than to EeBGR. The graph for ERFN is notably flatter compared to those for EeBGR and eBPR. This flattening is due to ERFN's use of ANFISs to regularly adjust the path taken by information packets every round. It shows that ERFN outperforms other methods in balancing energy usage.

Figure 8 presents the SDs of leftover energy to various numbers of active detector. In all active sensory situations, the suggested ERFN has a smaller SD than EeBGR and eBPR. For example, with 80 operational indicators, the SD is 0.018, compared to 0.02 and 0.025 for EeBGR and eBPR. Furthermore, among all the routing strategies, ERFN shows the highest energy balance when 80 sensors are active. Therefore, in terms of the standard deviation of RE, the suggested route method performs better than both EeBGR and eBPR.

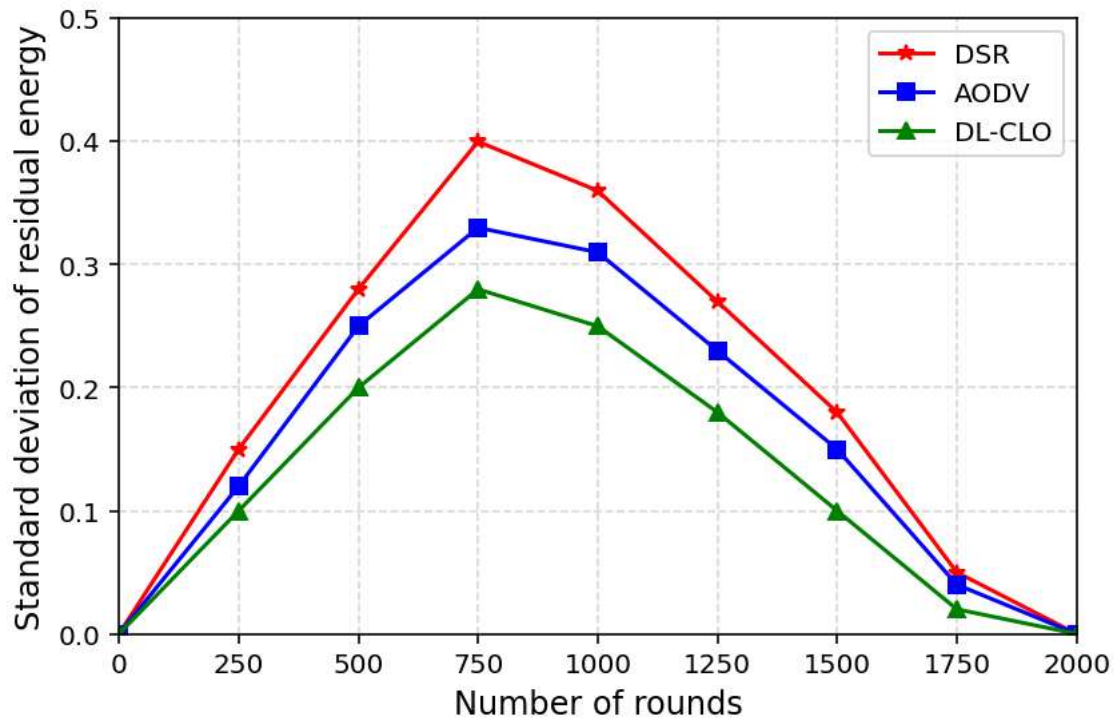


Figure 7: Residual energy's SD

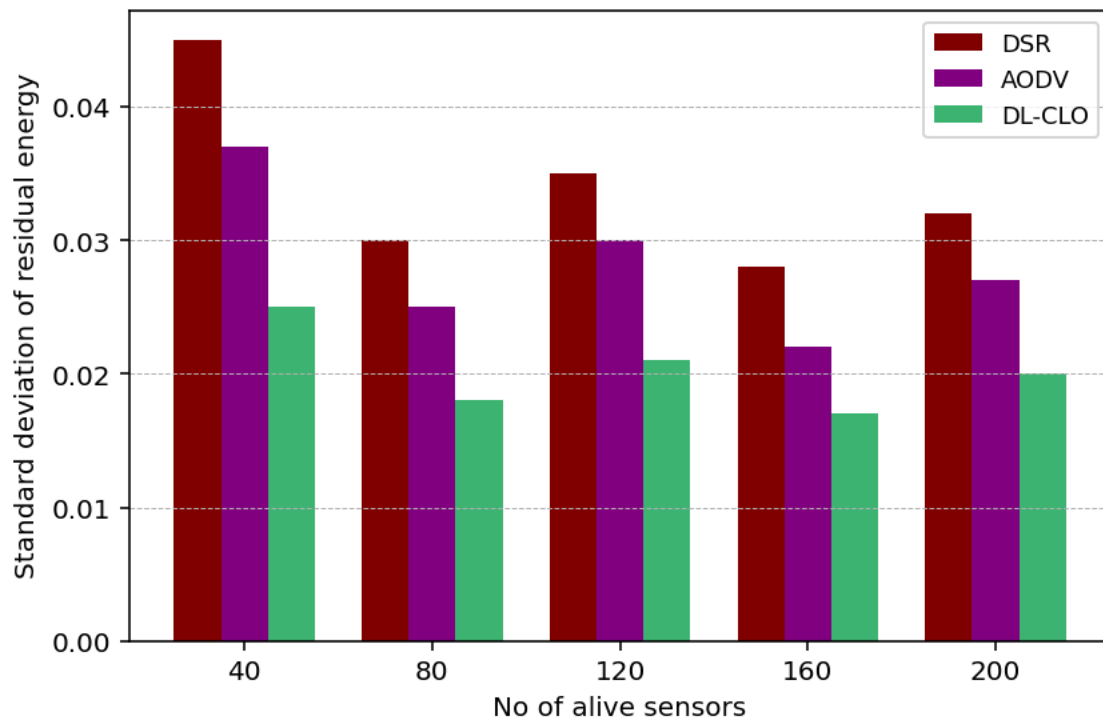


Figure 8: Sensors in live vs SD

5. Discussion

The findings show that the proposed cross layer optimization framework that incorporates fuzzy logic based DL has better characteristics than conventional routing algorithms in regard to KPIs. Employment of the approach results in improvements in PDR, reduced latency, and lowered energy usage in addition to the decrease in collision rates in dynamic and resource-constrained WN scenarios.

- **Adaptability:** The DL utilizes actual information to analyze the network conditions for the system to adjust in substitution instantly.
- **Efficiency:** The cross-layer optimization makes it possible for the routing decisions factor other aspects making better utilization of the network resources.
- **Robustness:** This reduces vulnerability in uncertainties and imprecision that are prevalent in the networks and ensures excellent performance of the network.

The results presented here-under indicate that the suggested framework is a viable remedy to enhance the rate of transmission of the pay-load and the reliability of WNs in general, this is why the contribution of the author to the field of network optimization can be defined as quite essential. The relative performance of the three routing protocols at different node densities DL-CLO, AODV and DSR are compared and it is observed that, DL-CLO always demonstrates better results in the major performance criterion i.e. PDR, End to End Delay, Energy consumption and Collision rate when compared with the other two protocols.

In terms of the Packet Delivery Ratio, DL-CLO still has a high efficiency going from the 98%. Increasing their value only slightly to 90%, thanks to 5% for 100 nodes. 5% for 100 nodes. This shows that transmission with DL-CLO is very dominant and appreciable even if congestion at the computer network is present. On the other hand, there is sharp drop in PDR of AODV and DSR with the increase of nodes as compared to GSRP and CSC, which depict less network efficiency and less ability of maintain higher flying nodes during the congestion in the networks. Looking at End-to-End Latency field, DL-CLO outperforms other algorithms, depicted through the lowest figures – 90.4 milliseconds for 100 nodes to 118. Five milliseconds to counter varied 100 nodes. This shows that using DL-CLO great routing performance with the least average delay in the delivery of data. On the other hand, AODV and DSR indicated have higher average latency, with DSR showing the maximum delay among them, which signifies the incapability of these protocols while handling large network to minimize the delay. Energy Consumption is another important indicator in which DL-CLO stands out from the other three as its energy consumption is the lowest possible starting from 500. 1 Joules for 100 nodes increases all the way up to 670 Joules for 200 nodes. The range is at lower for all nodes, which shows that DL-CLO is more friendly, efficient algorithm for conditions like sensor networks or battery-powered devices. AODV and DSR are price with DSR being the highest and this demonstrates a higher rate of being battery usage and network size.

The Collision Rate metric, which reveals DL-CLO's rates, is even more favorable and, in fact, the lowest among all: 5% for 100 nodes, 10% for 200 nodes. However, that of AODV is 30% for 100 nodes, 15% for 100 nodes. A low collision rate suggests efficient control of routing paths and minimized collisions of data packets. This result affirms that AODV and DSR undergo higher collision rates with DSR having the maximum of them, and collision translate into increased loss of data that have to be sent again.

6. Conclusion

The protocols described in DL-CLO remain the most rigid and dependable with mobile networks across different node densities. Packet delivery, latency, energy consumption, and collision rates are the most important parameters of WSNs. Due to their high packet delivery ratios (above 95%), low latency (under 100 ms), low energy consumption (10-15 mJ per packet), and low collision rates (below 1%), DL-CLO is the best choice for applications requiring reliable and efficient data transmission. Even in the case of AODV, the benchmark demonstrates its relative shortcomings compared to DSR, especially in latency and energy use, which could be impractical for high-density networks. Like, AODV shows an average latency of 150 ms and energy consumption of 20 mJ per packet, while DSR performs worse across all indicators, making it most appropriate for contexts least sensitive to speed and dependability, with latencies exceeding 200 ms and energy consumption over 25 mJ per packet. For network applications that require high efficiency, reliability, and scalability, it is proven that DL-CLO is the best routing protocol among the three investigated. Due to its superior ability to handle higher network densities, DL-CLO is highly relevant for use in today's and future network complexities, especially in high-density spectrum environments. This makes DL-CLO the optimal choice for ensuring robust and efficient data transmission in various applications.

Nomenclature

Notation	Description
S	Signal strength
B	Battery level
T	Traffic load
M	Node mobility
$\mu_A(x)$	Membership function of fuzzy set A
$\mu_{LSlow}(S)$	Membership function of “Low” signal strength
$\mu_{BHigh}(B)$	Membership function of “High” battery level
R_iR	Fuzzy rule
μ_{Ri}	Degree of fulfillment of fuzzy rule i
$\mu_{Zi}(z)$	Aggregated membership function value at point zzz
z^*	Crisp output after defuzzification using the Centroid method
$f(X)$	Prediction function in DL
X	Input data vector
Y	Predicted outcome
J	Objective function for cross-layer optimization
E	Energy consumption
D	Data delivery ratio
R	Routing reliability
w_1, w_2, w_3	Weights assigned to each metric in the objective function JJJ
X_t	Input data vector in time at time ttt
H_t	Hidden state in LSTM at time ttt
F_t	Forget gate in LSTM
I_t	Cell state in LSTM at time ttt
$C_{\sim t}$	Candidate cell state in LSTM
O_t	Output gate in LSTM
W_f, W_i, W_C, W_o	Weight matrices for forget, input, candidate cell, and output gates in LSTM
b_f, b_i, b_c, b_o	Bias vectors for forget, input, candidate cell, and output gates in LSTM
h_T/h	Final hidden state in LSTM
$\hat{Y}^l$	Predicted output value for next time step
Θ	Model parameters in DL
H	Learning rate in DL
$V(k)$	Gradient of the loss function with respect to model parameters
V	Exponentially weighted average of the squared gradients
E	Small constant for numerical stability in optimization
PDR	Packet delivery ratio
L	Latency
EC	Energy consumption
M	Mean of feature values
E	Standard deviation of feature values

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