

Context-Aware Clustering for SDN Enabled Network

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Motivation

Highly dynamic network topology
and limited network resources

Clustered VANETs improve the
network efficiency in vehicular
environments

Different types of applications could have different requirements for network quality

- Vehicular sensor data collections
- Deliver safety messages or control messages
- Vehicle camera data analysis



SDN-enabled context-aware clustering

Related wok

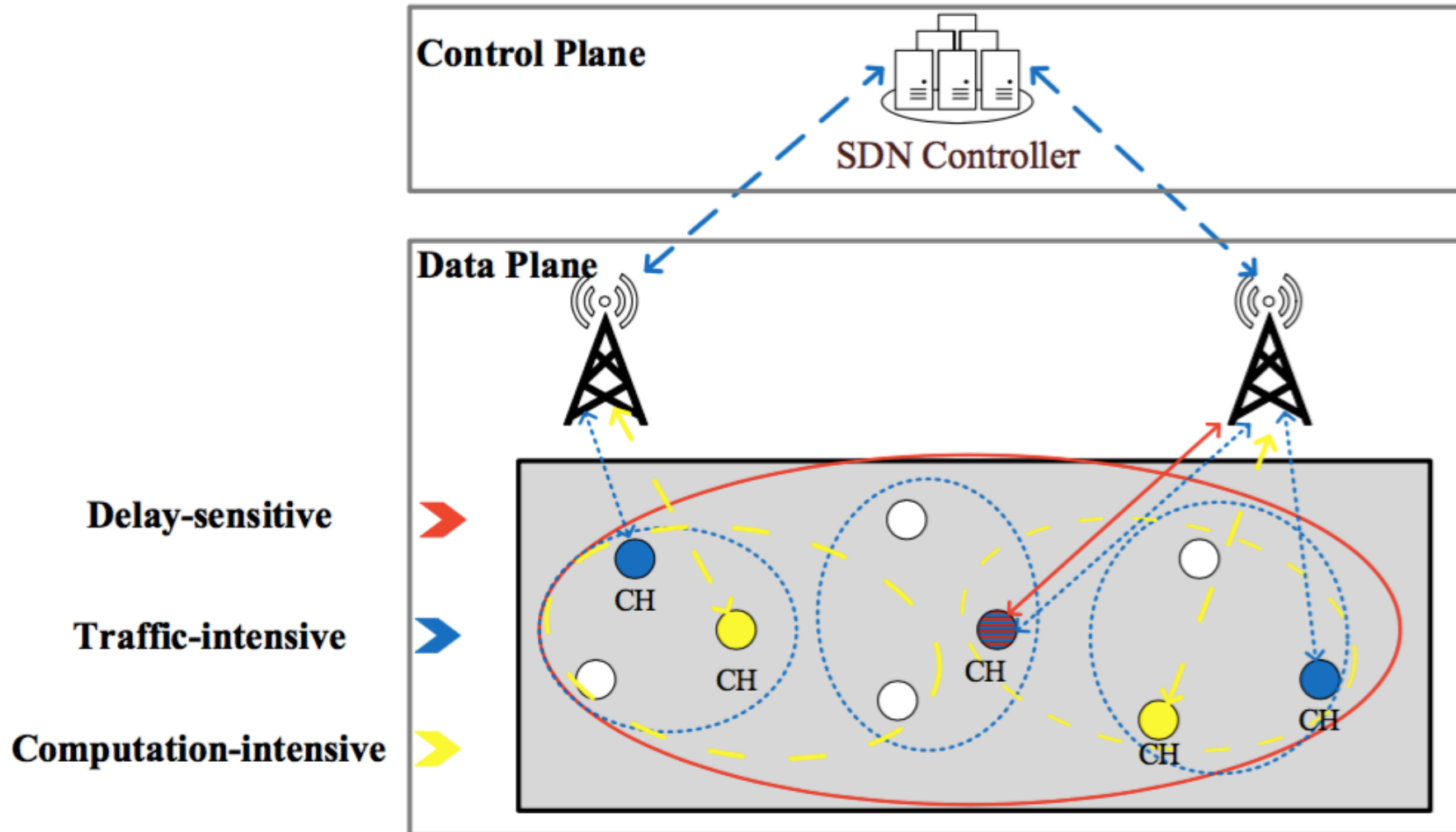
	Research name	Category	Metrics
MANET (Mobile Ad Hoc Network) clustering	Lowest ID [7]	Non	ID
	Highest Degree [8]	Connectivity based	connectivity
	MOBIC [9]	Mobility based	signal power
VANET clustering	CDS-SVB [10]	Mobility based	speed, moving direction, relative location
	HCA [11]	Connectivity based	connectivity status
	Dong et al. [12]	Connectivity based	connectivity status
	Duan et al. [13]	SDN based	signal strength, velocity
	Qi et al. [14]	SDN based	social attributes, inter-vehicle, distance, relative speed

SDN-enabled VANET architecture

Cluster algorithm

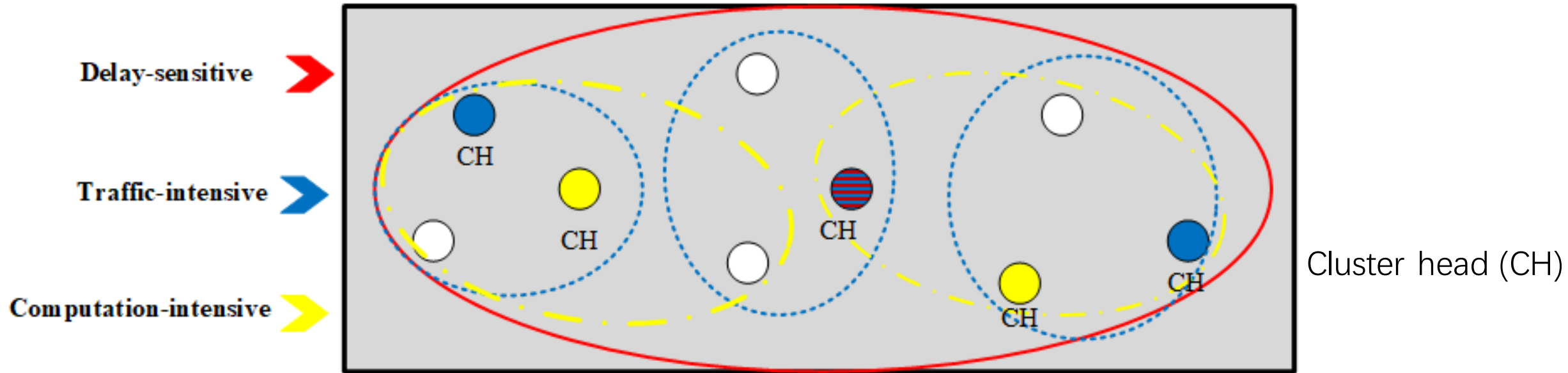
SDN-enabled context-aware clustering

- SDN-enabled VANET architecture



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Identify an application: use IP address and port number pairs

- **Delay-sensitive applications:**
Higher priority
- **Traffic-intensive applications:**
Large amounts of forwarding bytes
- **Computation-intensive applications:**
With few forwarding bytes at the road side but having unique port number

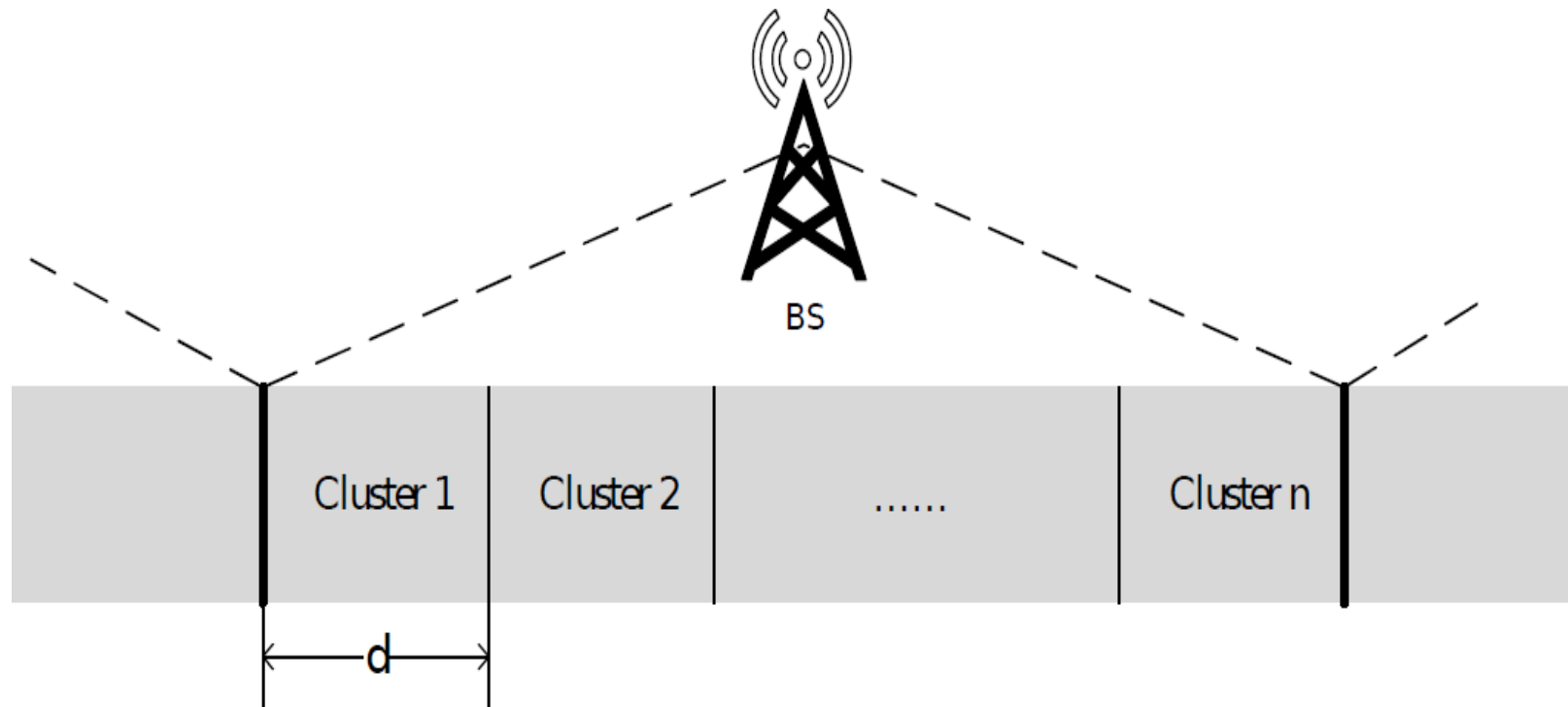
SDN-enabled context-aware clustering - cluster algorithm

Cluster initialization:

Divide vehicles into groups and satisfy the group scale:

$$d \leq \lambda \times R$$

- R denotes the value of largest IEEE 802.11p communication range.
- λ is a coefficient to control the scale of clusters in different applications.



SDN-enabled context-aware clustering - cluster algorithm

By collecting vehicle' s mobility context, obtain clustering algorithm metrics: $\{D, S, Q\}$

Primary context	Processed parameters
Vehicle velocity	Parameter D for estimating the duration time in the cluster.
Vehicle location	
Vehicle received signal quality	Parameter S for measuring the received signal quality of vehicle.
Computing capability	Parameter Q for measuring the computational capability of vehicle.

SDN-enabled context-aware clustering - cluster algorithm

$$D_k = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (d_k^i)^2}{N}}$$

d_k^i represents connection stability between V_k and vehicle V_i ,
N is number of vehicles in the cluster

$$S_k = \sum_{i=1}^N s_k^i$$

s_k^i means, the received signal power of V_k from V_i

$$Q_k = q_k(1 - \delta)$$

q_k represents the CPU performance of V_k and δ is CPU usage

Normalize $\{D, S, Q\}$ into a value ranging between 0 and 1:

$$D_k^n = \frac{D_k - \min(D_i)}{\max(D_i) - \min(D_i)}, i \in (0, N)$$

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SDN-enabled context-aware clustering - cluster algorithm

Cluster head selection:

- **Delay-sensitive applications:**
 - ✓ Max number of connection and Max D_i^n
- **Traffic-intensive applications:**
 - ✓ Max $para_i = \mu_1 D_i^n + \mu_2 S_i^n$ where $\mu_1 + \mu_2 = 1$
- **Computation-intensive applications :**
 - ✓ Satisfy the application computation requirement and select Max D_i^n



Simulation

Simulation tools: OMNET+5.0 simulator with INET open-source model

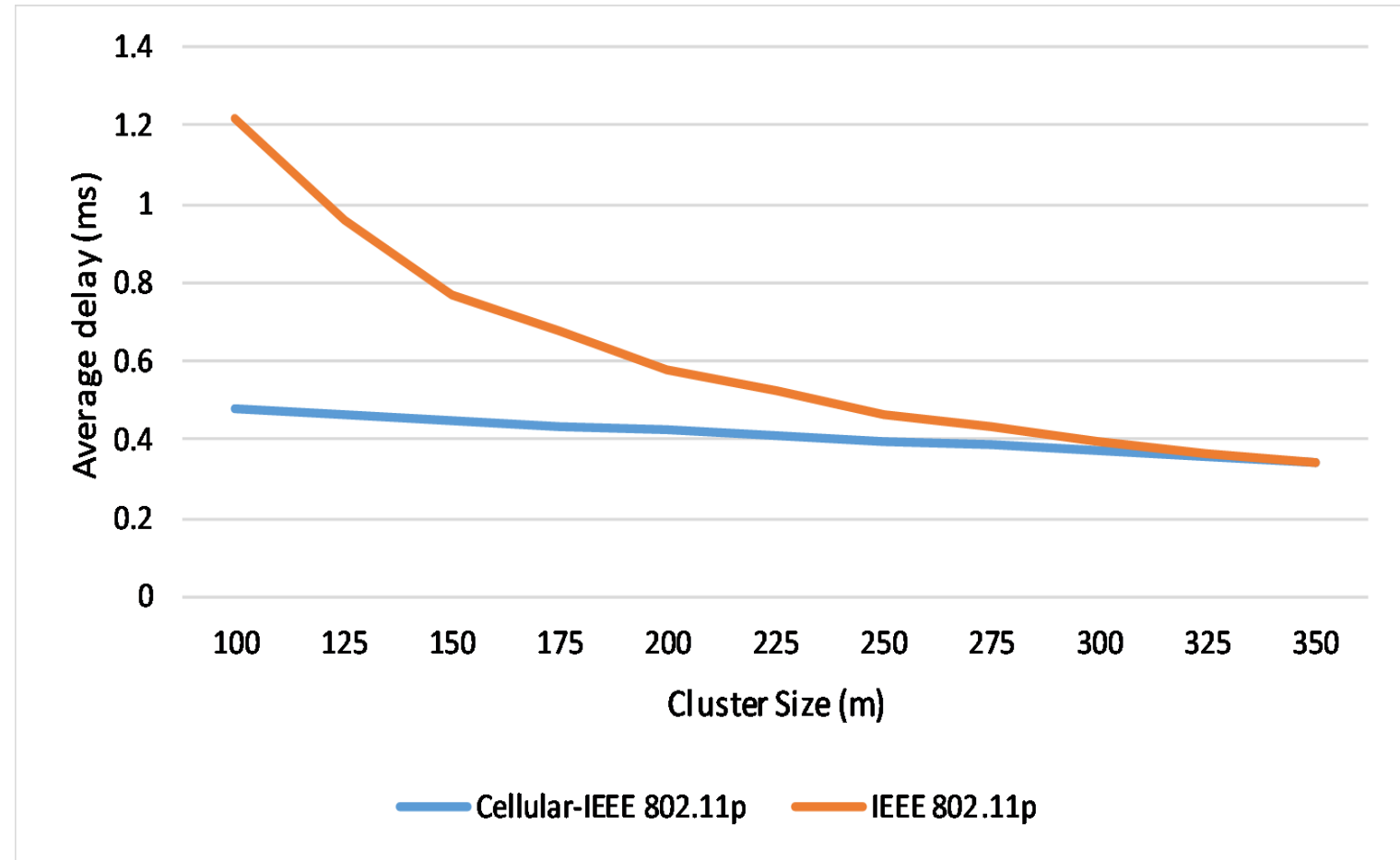
Mobility tools: SUMO mobility simulator

Parameters	Values
Transport Layer	TCP (RENO)/UDP
Interface	IEEE 802.11p/cellular
Data Rate	6Mbps
Beacon Interval	0.1s
Simulation Topology	Straight road
Topology Size	2000m with 4 lanes

For delay-sensitive application

Running UDP application to simulate network alarm in case of emergency

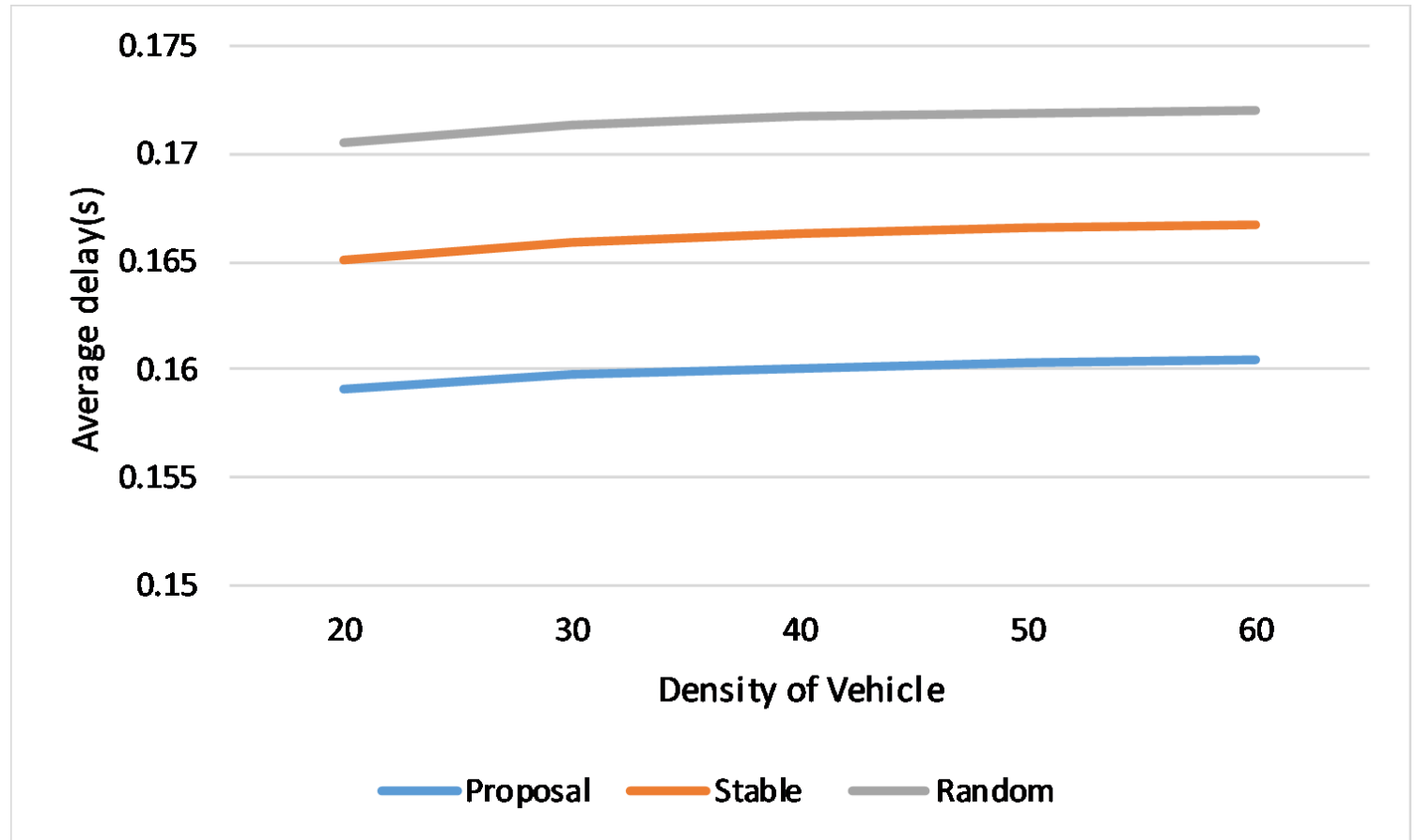
- **Cellular-IEEE 802.11p:**
 - Two hops intra-cluster communication
 - Up to four hops of wireless propagation to reach all vehicles
- **IEEE 802.11p :**
 - Flood to n hops



For delay-sensitive application

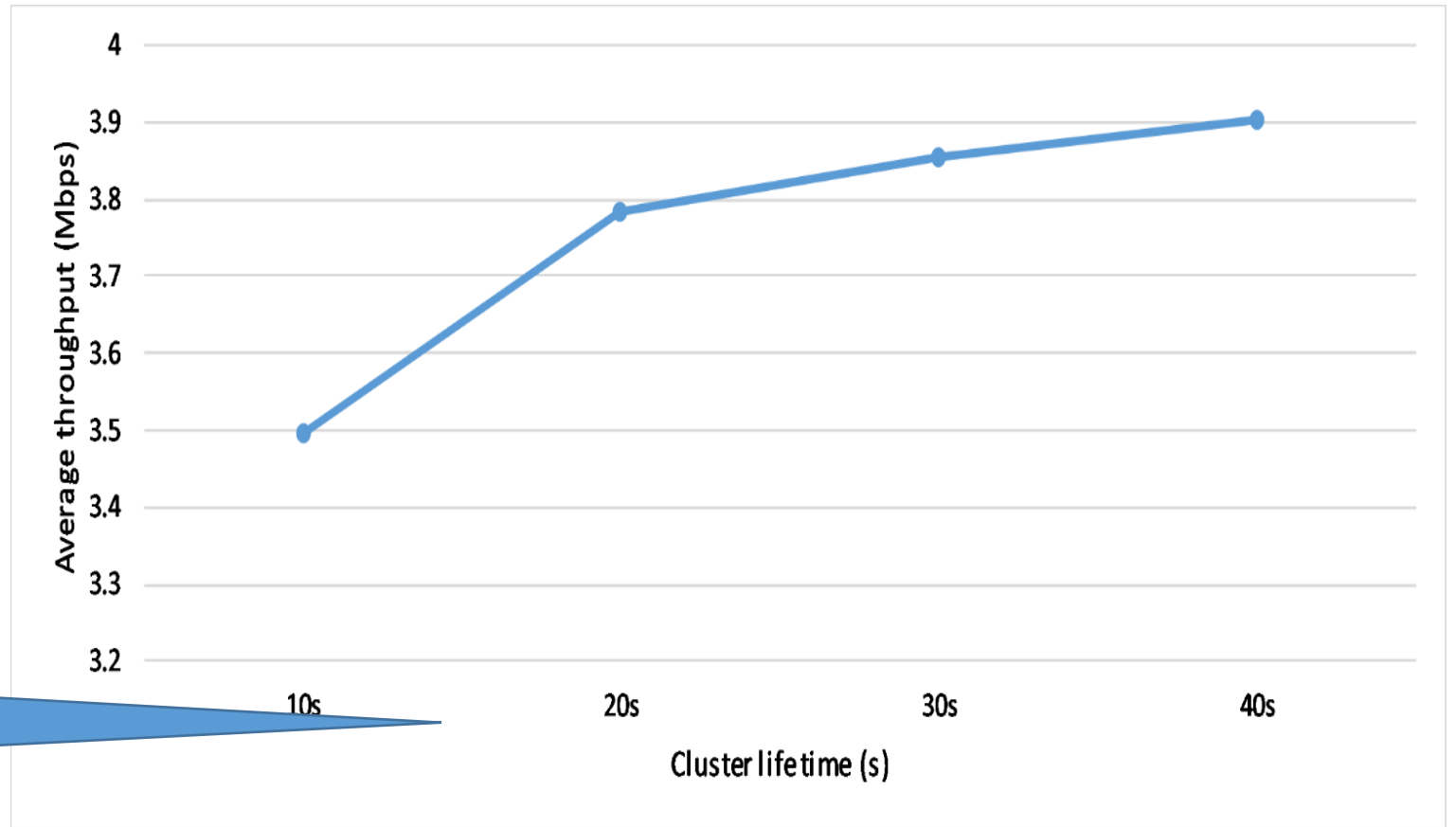
Running UDP application to simulate network alarm in case of emergency

- Proposal
- Stable: longest life time in the cluster
- Random: randomly select CH.



For traffic-intensive application

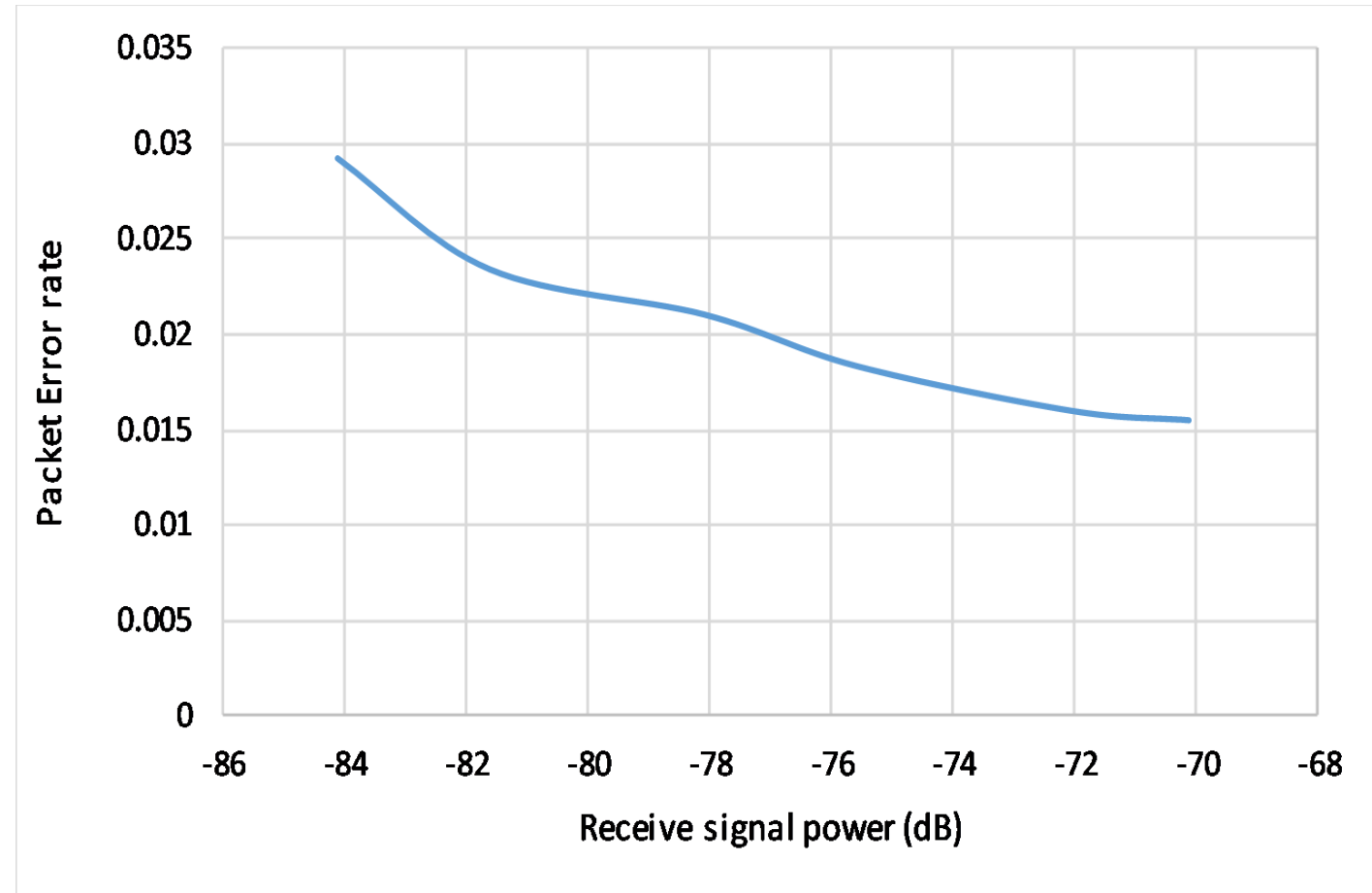
Long cluster life time performs better to the traffic-intensive application !



Cluster life time increases, the cluster handover frequency decreases

For traffic-intensive application

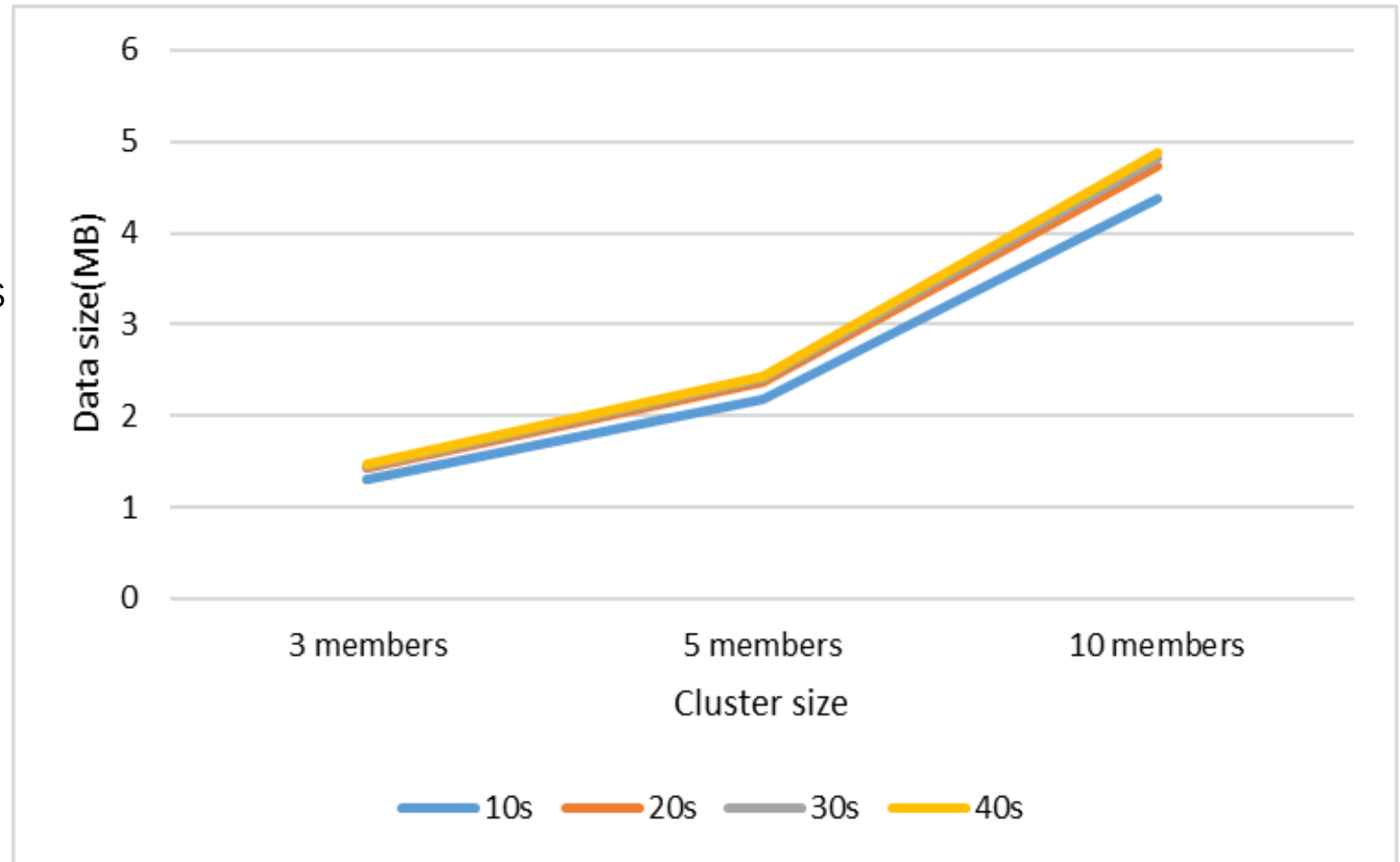
Received signal quality is important in improving transmission capability for traffic-intensive application.



For computation-intensive application

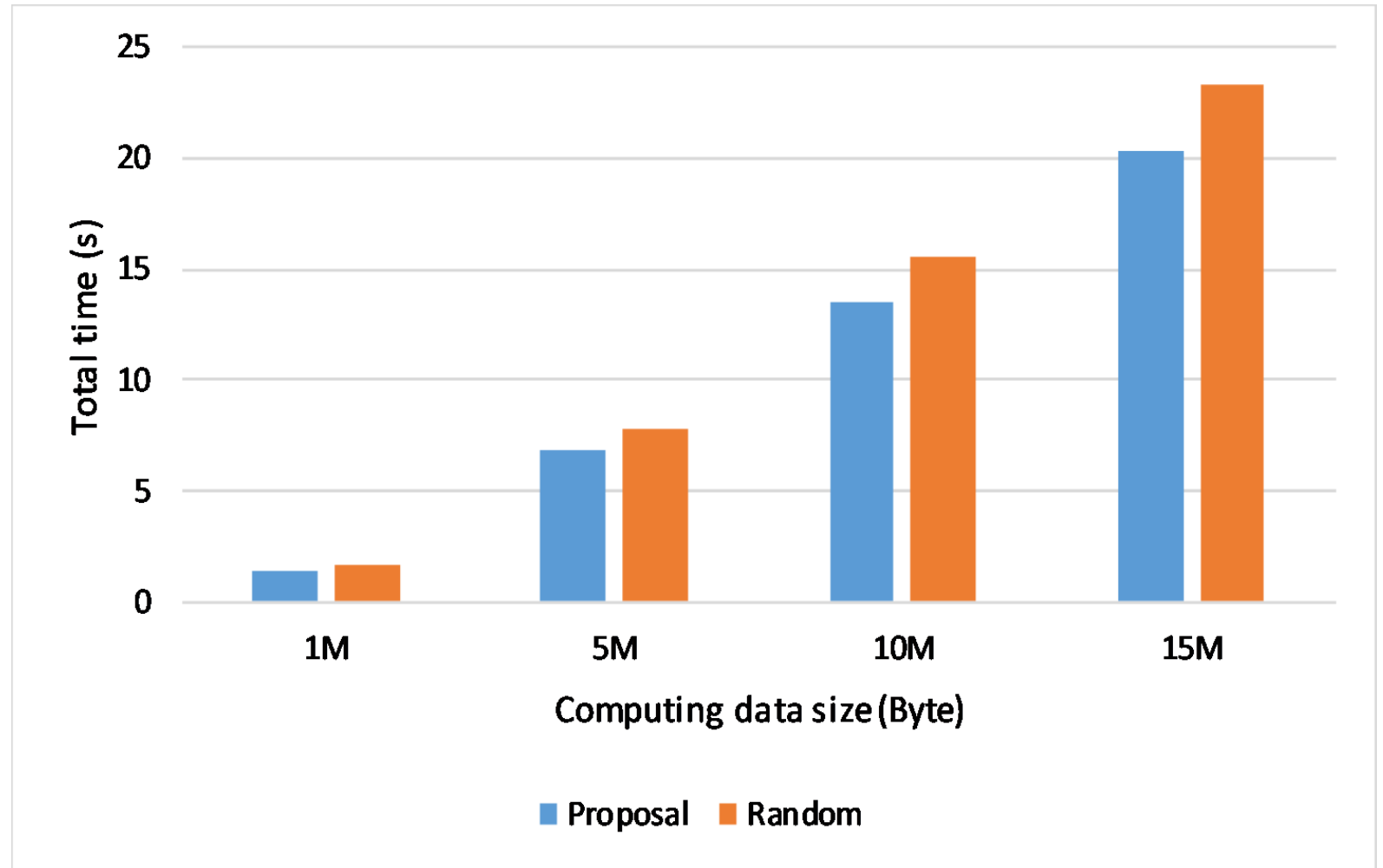
Vehicles are set to run TCP applications communicating with cluster head continuously.

- Computing data size is influenced by the number of cluster members and cluster's life time
- When more vehicles join, computational capability of the cluster head should be considered



For computation-intensive application

- The total required time for the application in computing different size of data.
- The total time is mainly affected by data transmission delay and computation delay.



- ✓ SDN-enabled VANET architecture
- ✓ Clustering algorithm
 - Large cluster size better support delay-sensitive applications.
 - Make connection life time longer for traffic-intensive applications.
 - Offer large computation capability in case of too many cluster members.

Thanks !

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