

Link Quality Prediction for LTE and WiFi Offloading Network Using Machine Learning

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Abstract: *The continuous growth of mobile traffic and limited spectrum resources limits the capacity and data rate. Heterogeneous Networks (HetNet) is a solution with multiple radio interfaces in smartphones to realize such demands. Simultaneous data transfer on Long Term Evolution (LTE) and WiFi has gained attention for data offloading in 5G HetNet. Maintaining the average throughput and minimum delay for LTE users is still a challenge in data offloading owing to the mobility and load in the network. This study explores the benefits of Software-Defined Networking (SDN) based multipath for data offloading schemes for LTE-WiFi integrated networks to maintain the user's average throughput based on channel quality classification. We classify future link qualities using deep learning models such as Long Short-Term Memory Networks (LSTM) and Bidirectional Long Short-Term Memory Networks (BLSTM). The received signal strength indicator (RSSI) and packet data rate (PDR) are parameters used in BLSTM. The results of the prediction were compared with those of state-of-the-art methods. We obtained a 2.1% better prediction than the state-of-the-art methods. The predicted results were used to offload the data using LTE and WiFi. The performance of HetNet was compared with the state-of-the-art method for average throughput, and with the proposed method, a 6.29% improvement was observed.*

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I. INTRODUCTION

A cellular network is utilized all over, supporting different data-rich administrations such as mixed media applications, and video spilling, requesting more information rates. Due to the constrained range, it is troublesome for benefit suppliers to oversee such QoS and tremendous activity request. Contributing in range securing and buying gadgets is one of the arrangements to this issue. In any case, concurring to [1], it is anticipated that benefit suppliers will before long confront the challenge of moo income development. In this manner or maybe than contributing in the range, most benefit suppliers are working intellectuals to compensate the activity request. Numerous procedures have been proposed by benefit suppliers and Client Hardware (UE) producers to fulfill these requirements. Coordinated Multi-Point transmission (CoMP) [2] has been proposed to move forward the gathering execution of a UE at the edge of the cell. The encompassing cells coordinate with a particular UE to make strides the execution by decreasing impedances. Be that as it may, planning with neighboring enodB is as it were now and then conceivable. To bolster CoMP, machine learning-based plans such as Long Short-Term Memory Systems (LSTM) [3], which learns the characteristics of the arrange to anticipate facilitate data that keeps up the normal throughput of the UE, have been proposed. A behavior-aware pillar shaping method [4] was proposed to increment information throughput in cellular systems. MIMO employments beamforming innovation wherein numerous information streams are transmitted through different recieving wires beneath the same carrier. The coexistence of radar and communication frameworks, which work in covering recurrence groups includes agreeable range administration. These methodologies permit both frameworks to share the same assets proficiently without compromising their execution [5]. In spite of these, challenges stay, especially in scenarios with tall activity requests, such as video gaming or ultra-high-definition video spilling (e.g., 4K/8K). In these cases, the current advances may not completely meet the client prerequisites for consistent and tall-quality benefit, demonstrating the require for assist investigate and development in the field. Information offloading is one of the arrangements to overcome the range deficiency issue [6]. Offloading alludes to the utilize of complementary



systems to provide information at first focused on to cellular systems [7]. Most cutting edge smartphones are prepared with Heterogeneous Systems (HetNet) interfacing; in this manner, HetNet is cost-effective for offloading data.

Many HetNet concepts have been investigated utilizing Indus- trial, Logical, and Restorative (ISM) groups with LTE [8] for capacity improvement. In any case, these methods as it were utilize WiFi to offload information at whatever point both alternatives are accessible. So also, it is watched that the normal throughput of the client related with WiFi diminishes with the stack in the organize after a certain level [9]. In this manner, offloading halfway information through both LTE and WiFi would be a superior arrangement for keeping up the normal throughput.

Network interface quality moreover plays a imperative part in QoS and choice on information offloading. Utilizing low-quality associations would result in numerous re-transmissions. It can contribute to conveyance delays and may moreover be incapable to stow away the instability of remote associations, coming about in message misfortunes. Subsequently, the quality of involvement (QoE) is influenced, and the client can confront a few issues. Proactive optimization of remote communication frameworks can be empowered by earlier information of channel quality with tall accuracy and moo overhead. For illustration, Channel Quality Expectation (CQP) has been proposed for ideal asset allotment. The objective is to classify the connect quality utilizing profound learning models with interface quality measurements to absolutely decide information offloading.

There are two sorts of measurements to gauge connect quality in systems: equipment and software-based measurements [10]. One hardware-based metric is the Gotten Flag Quality Marker (RSSI), which gauges the gotten flag control in a channel. The RSSI run depicts the relationship between the transmitted control, gotten control of remote signals, and remove between hubs. The enlist records the foundation commotion in dBm when there is no transmission. The moment parameter in the hardware-based metric is the Flag to Commotion Proportion (SNR). It is a flag quality/strength degree or the contrast in decibels (dB) between the gotten flag and foundation clamor. It is utilized to compare the wanted flag to the foundation clamor level. The third parameter is the Connect Quality Marker (LQI). This metric demonstrates how well the information bundles gotten by the recipient are. This measurement is utilized to decide the directing metric at the organize layer. The parameters utilized in software-based measurements are the Parcel Conveyance Proportion (PDR), Asked Number of Parcels (RNP), and score-based parameters. The PDR is the proportion of bundles sent by the source to the number of parcels gotten by the goal. This is moreover called the Bundle Gathering Proportion (PRR). The RNP is a metric that calculates the number of transmissions/re-transmissions some time recently effective bundle gathering. Score-based measurements relegate a score or name to a link's quality without alluding to a physical wonder. A few illustrations incorporate the Fluffy Interface Quality Estimator, and Channel State Data (CSI).

The precision given by hardware-based measurements is deficiently due to two essential issues. To begin with, bundles that are effectively transmitted are assessed, and moment, the appraisal does not incorporate the whole gotten parcel, but essentially its to begin with images. RSSI is a hardware-based metric giving a fast and precise assess of whether a connect is great quality or not [9]. Be that as it may, it is improper for utilize as a stand-alone metric for measuring connect quality since it does not capture the sum of damaging impedances on the joins. Due to the challenges related with MAC coordination [11], machine learning approaches have been utilized to foresee channel quality. It is challenging, if not incomprehensible, to precisely compute SNR in hone. We center on the RSSI as a channel quality marker and equipment component. The estimations and calculations included in RSSI are less complicated, and the RSSI values are promptly accessible from the chipsets. Subsequently, we consider one equipment and one computer program metric for anticipating the channel quality.

The organize dataset comprises time-series information. Time- arrangement information are a collection of perceptions gotten through rehashed estimations over time. It comprises a multivariate time arrangement expanded with a organize structure. It depicts the assessment of a set of perceptions at the arrange hubs over time. Machine Learning (ML) and Profound Learning (DL) offer assistance in understanding and anticipating interface quality. LSTM [12] is primarily utilized for the classification and forecast of channel quality. LSTMs guarantee to learn the setting required to make expectations in time arrangement determining issues; they frequently do not require RNNs since a few later occasions inside a few small-time windows pass on all pertinent data approximately the following occasion. Bidirectional Long Short-Term Memory Systems (BLSTM) are utilized for expectations by utilizing data from the past and future through



forward and in reverse sequencing. In this circumstance, the current data depends on past data and is connected to future information.

Propose an LSTM and BLSTM-based channel quality expectation design utilizing single and numerous parameters.

Flowlet-based multipath information offloading plot for LTE and WiFi systems utilizing connect quality.

We actualized channel expectation and information offloading utilizing a Software-defined Arrange (SDN), an developing innovation that isolates information from the control plane. The information plane forms parcel sending at the switch, and an SDN controller performs organize control with a add up to see of the organize utilizing the most prevalent convention, OpenFlow. OpenFlow characterizes the rules for communication between the controller and the switches. With SDN, the organize administrator can apply directing conventions and applications to the organize rapidly and adaptably. Utilizing the previously mentioned preferences of SDN innovation, we executed an LTE-WiFi offloading framework. This gives a tall proficiency in information control traffic.

II. RELATED WORK

We separate the related work into channel quality forecast and information offloading.

Channel Quality Prediction

Several CQP approaches have been broadly investigated in different arrange settings to permit for future channel make strides- ments or avoid unfavorable conditions from influencing remote communication frameworks. Liu and Cerpa [13] given one of the most punctual models for the Interface Quality Estimator (LQE), in which they proposed three machine learning calculations: gullible Bayes, neural systems, and calculated relapse, each of which gives a multi-class yield. In any case, time data was not consolidated to anticipate interface quality; hence, energetic connect quality expectation was impossible.

Sindjoug and Minet [14] proposed the expectation of interface quality utilizing two measurements, RSSI and PDR, utilizing ML calculations such as calculated relapse, straight back vector machine (SVM), and Arbitrary Woodland classifier. One of the to begin with profound learning approaches was to gauge connect quality. The restriction was that the generally exactness was low.

One of the most later connect quality classification models by Boucetta et al. [15] compared the KNN and LSTM-based models to classify the interface quality into five classes utilizing RSSI and PDR measurements. Diouf et al. [16] proposed channel expectation utilizing LSTM and RNN-the legitimacy of the proposed profound learning approach based on the root cruel square blunder (RMSE). The exhibitions in terms of RMSE with the same dataset for each of the models utilized in this think about were compared to those of other models. It is watched that LSTM gives a moo RMSE.

Schuster and Paliwal [17] displayed a bidirectional LSTM (BLSTM) as an expansion of the customary LSTM. Nsaif et al. [18] utilized BLSTM for the Link-State Forecast for Software-Defined DCN Control Optimization. The objective is to decrease interface utilization. Be that as it may, the interface state is anticipated based on transmission capacity utilization in the organize. Depending on the sort, existing measurements regularly guarantee either soundness or exactness, but rarely both. Past inquire about has endeavored to classify joins and address interface asymmetry. The middle associations are exceedingly questionable. In this setting, we utilize equipment and software-based markers, that is RSSI and PDR, to classify association quality into great, middle, and terrible classes, comparable to a few of the past works [14], [15], but with progressed expectation exactness and execution. We utilized profound learning calculations to accomplish the same.

DATA OFFLOADING

The integration of LTE-WiFi can be classified into two sorts: organize determination and arrange accumulation. The to begin with approach can be performed without overhauling the LTE and WiFi systems. The complexity is the choice of the best arrange for information offloading. The moment approach employments both systems to increment the information offloading capacity. In this manner, more modern changes are required for both the LTE and WiFi.



Wang et al. [19] proposed an Brilliantly Information Uploading Determination Component for cellular systems. The creators detailed that information offloading diminishes cellular utilization by 50% through the tests. In any case, this work was performed without SDN, and the stack on WiFi was not considered for offloading.

Network choice gives interfacing and insights to switch information between the two systems. Lee et al. [20] considered the financial viewpoints of information offloading utilizing WiFi. They utilized a game-theoretic approach for information offloading. This conspire holds up until the arrange is congested some time recently the offloading is initiated.

Saliba et al. [21] investigate procedures for leveraging WiFi to offload activity from LTE systems inside 5G situations, with the objective of improving by and large organize execution and client involvement. The ponder emphasizes dimensioning strategies that account for client thickness and information request to optimize WiFi arrangement for productive activity administration. In any case, it is imperative to note that this work does not consolidate SDN.

Deng et al. [22] proposed the Delphi strategy, which is a information offloading strategy based on best organize choice. Delphi is a organize choice convention for the transport layer. This convention chooses the best arrange to fulfill client goals. Anbalgan et al. [23] proposed a novel information offloading conspire called the SDN Helped Learning Approach (SALA) for information offloading. They utilized numerous SDN controllers, one at LTE and another at WiFi. Controller- to-controller communication was proposed in this approach. In any case, it employs a single arrange at a time to offload data.

Ford et al. [24] proposed an MTCP, that employs numerous TCP streams into the transport layer. This strategy controls sub-flows and clog in the organize. Handover in a versatile situation for an MTCP was proposed in [25]. In any case, all these recommendations depend on the scheduler, which has a neighborhood organize see. A worldwide see of the organize maintains a strategic distance from eager activity planning and decreases the delays. Subsequently, MTCP requires a control plane with a worldwide see. Additionally, these thoughts were built without SDN in their networks. To optimize asset utilization and disseminate handle- ing over CPU centers utilizing SDN, Biersack et al. [26] illustrated how activity administration can be combined with stack- and traffic-aware control administration to decrease control utilization without compromising the capacity to fulfill application necessities. It has an edge server associated to a organize card, that keeps up a all-encompassing see and runs an calculation to adjust to changes in arrange traffic.

An SDN-based control plane for the MTCP was proposed in the SD-MTOP [27]. This understands portability issues between the two advances. Including control at the control plane makes a difference the SD-MTOP arrange the organize stream. It employs a activity directing strategy to offload information. The offloading arrangement decides the arrange that is associated to a given set of clients. in this think about, a throughput maximization issue was tended to utilizing multipath. Be that as it may, MPTCP cannot adaptively control subflows. The clutter of information bundles caused by contrasts between ways leads to destitute execution compared with single-path transmission. It accept that a WiFi arrange is continuously accessible and 50% of the information are offloaded through WiFi. The stack on WiFi influences the execution of the arrange [28], which is not tended to in this paper.

Chen et al. [29] proposed a modern MPTCP subflow control calculation (MSCA) based on a SVM forecast demonstrate. The SDN controller is utilized to persistently screen the arrange status and anticipate the affect calculate of the organize based on the checked way parameters. Hence, agreeing to the affect figure, the subflow setups are powerfully balanced by the framework for each client to move forward the normal throughput.

Most proposed strategies for information offloading utilizing LTE and WiFi utilize a arrange determination conspire. This implies that they attempt to offload the information utilizing WiFi at whatever point the WiFi extend is accessible, since of the tall information rate accessible at WiFi. Be that as it may, it is watched that the normal throughput of the client related with WiFi diminishes with the stack in the arrange after a certain level [9]. Hence, the WiFi stack must be tried some time recently information offloading or offloading through both the systems. As it were a few works such as [27], utilize the arrange accumulation strategy in which the information are offloaded utilizing both LTE and WiFi. Be that as it may, this approach requires a multipath information exchange. Multipath information exchange such as Break even with Taken a toll Multipath (ECMP) [30], is well examined at information centers. The separate between distinctive ways is littler in the information center; hence, bundle reassembly is not a issue. In any case, for utilize cases such as LTE and WiFi, the advantage of multipath transmission is invalidated owing to bundle reassembly issues at the



recipient. There is a require for a multipath plot for information offloading utilizing LTE and WiFi to address bundle reassembly delays.

III. PROPOSED METHOD

The proposed strategy comprised of two parts. To begin with, machine learning predicts channel quality for a given application. Moment, based on the anticipated channel quality, a organize engineering was given to offload the information utilizing LTE and WiFi. Table 1 records the acronyms and documentations utilized in this study.

CHANNEL QUALITY PREDICTION

We utilized LSTM and BLSTM to classify and anticipate the channel quality. We explored the parameters influencing the expectation of channel quality and investigated the comes about gotten utilizing LSTM and BLSTM.

DATA SET

We utilized the dataset accessible in the IoT-LAB [14] for the think about. These information were collected from 50 hubs in 48 hours and connected over 16 channels. The test dataset is as given in Table 2. To begin with, we perform information pre-processing, which incorporates disposing of excess by scaling down and expelling exceptions. In expansion, the lost values were filled with the cruel values. Another, we calculated the standard deviation, cruel, least, and most extreme of each parameters, as appeared in Table 3. As appeared in Table 3, the standard deviation (std) and cruel do not change for the final parameter, Tx_count (the number of parcels sent). So, we drop it.

Information Classification

Three classes were characterized: great (G), middle of the road (I), and terrible (B). We compared the classification based on equipment, computer program, and the combined parameters. Equipment classification was performed utilizing as it were the RSSI. Moreover, PDR was utilized for the program. The classification edges for RSSI and PDR are given in Table 4 and 5, separately, and were received from [14]. We moreover examined the impact of the combined components of RSSI and PDR equipment and program measurements to compare the model's forecast. In combination, we have given PDR the to begin with inclination here since it considers all the bundles sent, not at all like RSSI, which as it were considers the gotten parcels, as recorded in Table 6.

FEATURE Building, LEARNING, AND PREDICTION

Because the dataset is a time-series information, we considered daytime as the file. The date were part the information into 80% for preparing and 20% for testing. Table 2 appears that the RSSI and PDR have diverse ranges. For our demonstrate to precisely anticipate without giving inclination to one of the factors with a higher extend esteem, highlight scaling [14] is required. In this think about, we utilized Standard Scaler from scikit-learn [31], which is a machine learning library in Python to scale our factors. The Standard Scaler gets a standardized conveyance with a zero cruel. It standardizes highlights by evacuating the feature's cruel esteem and isolating the result by

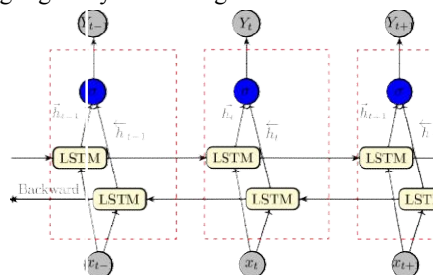


FIGURE 1. BLSTM-based RSSI and PDR quality prediction model.

the standard deviation of the feature. Therefore, if we have a parameter that varies significantly, we scale it in a certain range, for example, $[-1 \ 1]$. After defining the classification parameters and, splitting the data into training and testing



datasets, and scaled/cleaned datasets, we used bidirectional LSTM. We compared our results with those obtained using LSTM [15].

SDN Enabled Architecture For Data Offload

We assume that the HetNet environment has a cellular network and WiFi, and there is mutual agreement between them or the WiFi network of the cellular network. In addition, we assume that the UE has multiple interfaces to support Het-Net communication. We used two SDN controllers, one on the cellular side, which controls the operation of the cellular network, and another to control the WiFi operation as shown in the architecture (see Fig 2). This is because a single SDN controller has several disadvantages in terms of scalability and performance. However, the use of multiple controllers increases the complexity. We must establish communication between the controllers. We used OpenDaylight controllers on both sides, which is an open-source platform that supports clustering. To offload the data, we need specific information, such as the capacity of the WiFi and the cellular network. This information is obtained using [33]. The controller application of the LTE will have an authentication and charging module for identity verification and to maintain the charging account. We included a Data Offloading (DO) module to track data rates in WiFi and cellular networks. There is an application identification module [34] that provides the characteristic features of the application, such as the IP addresses, QoS information bit rate, and port number used as per the traffic flow template (TFT) [35]. Once the authentication is successful, resources are allocated to the user.

The resource monitoring component continuously measures the LTE network's RSSI and PDR and predicts the class of the network.

Traffic Offloading

We aggregated the spectrum by sharing data between the WiFi and the cellular network. Our approach uses LTE as the primary option to offload data. If sufficient channel quality is unavailable or the network is congested for the application, we use WiFi and LTE for offloading using multipaths. This means that we offload the maximum amount of data using LTE and the remaining data using WiFi. It is observed that the average throughput of the user associated with WiFi decreases with an increase in the network load after a certain level [28]. Therefore, it is necessary to consider the load on the WiFi network before offloading the data to ensure that the average data remain within a specific level.

WiFi follows a Distributed Coordinated Function (DCF), which means that when all users have a similar amount of traffic, they have fair, medium access, that is, a max- min fairness system. Therefore, we have adequate capacity sharing for all users within a single WiFi network.

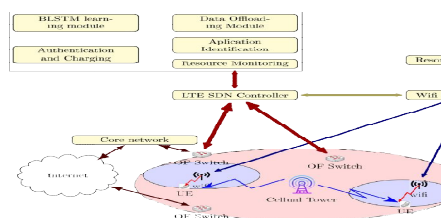


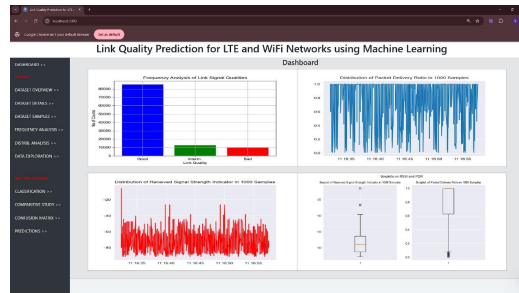
FIGURE 2. SDN-based heterogeneous network architecture.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

Exploratory SETUP

We actualized our proposed information offloading strategy utilizing a later adaptation of the Mininet-WiFi expansion [27], which has a virtualized WiFi interface on remote gadgets able of imitating WiFi versatile stations. It moreover models the remote physical channel characteristics and have development. It too bolsters portability models such as customized development, arbitrary strolling, and arbitrary waypoints. Our Open vSwitch (OVS) is introduced to imitate SDN edge gadgets that communicate with the SDN controller utilizing the OpenFlow convention. The parameter designed for inaccessible radio heads is given the Table 10. The exploratory setup is appeared in Fig.4. The SDN





Result From Data Offloading

Initially, we tried the throughput execution of LTE as it were with our approach, as outlined in Fig.8. The comes about clearly illustrate that the multipath procedure gives critical focal points for tall information rate application exchanges. Figure 9 appears a throughput comparison for a moo stack. When the hub comes to the WiFi systems, our approach is competent of offloading the information to keep up an normal throughput of 5 Mbps by offloading the information through WiFi and LTE together, which can be watched between 35 and 48 seconds. In differentiate, SD-MTOP starts offloading through WiFi at 50%. So also, the MTCP requires time to learn and utilize a single arrange. Be that as it may, we seem not discover a noteworthy contrast in throughput between the MTCP and our approach at a moo stack. The as it were contrast we can watch between 40-50 seconds is that SD-MTOP and MTCP take more time to choose the offloading and a little drop in normal throughput close 40 seconds. So also, we can watch the variety when the yield returns to typical faster (between 40 and 50 Seconds) in our approach than MTCP. It is due to the expectation module we have utilized. For a way better understanding of the throughput, we have plotted the total disseminated work (CDF) as appeared in Fig. 10 appears that our approach is superior due to the forecast, which will not permit dropping the throughput underneath the threshold. We too assessed the throughput at a tall stack utilizing WiFi. We guaranteed that WiFi was stacked at more than 50% of the stack by communicating with other hubs utilizing WiFi. Moreover, we rehashed the same try for a moo stack, and the comes about are appeared in Fig. 11. Since our approach considers the stack on WiFi, it advances information in like manner. Be that as it may, SD-MTOP parts 50% of the information In addition, reordering TCP applications diminishes the throughput in SD-MTOP, and our demonstrate tackles this utilizing a flowlet multipath. It can as it were ensure the normal throughput if WiFi is softly stacked, and the RSSI is underneath the edge. A throughput contrast is watched in the CDF, appeared in Fig. 12. In MTCP, the reordering issue were not considered. Subsequently, our approach appears much superior execution than other state-of-the-art methods.

VI. CONCLUSION

The fast development of information in versatile systems has lead to a gigantic over-burdening of activity in cellular systems. Organize blockage and channel quality are the basic components of information transmission. This paper presents BLSTM-based channel quality classification and expectation utilizing program and hardware-based parameters such as PDR and RSSI. Utilizing the anticipated connect quality, we given a strategy to offload LTE information for tall information rate applications, such as video utilizing SDN, when channel quality and organize blockage fulfill a user's QoS prerequisite. A flowlet-based multipath calculation is displayed, which considers the quality of the channel and the clog in the arrange and offloads the information when the information are endless, which cannot be sent as it were through LTE since of blockage and destitute organize quality. The proposed strategy performed way better than state-of-the-art strategies.

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