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K-Group Random Channel Hopping Rendezvous
for Cognitive Radio Networks

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Abstract: Rendezvous is an essential operation for radios in cognitive radio networks. The channel hopping based rendezvous is an important technique for next-generation cognitive radio networks, in which unlicensed users dynamically schedule rendezvous channels using the assigned channel-hopping sequence. In this talk, I will introduce a rendezvous protocol named K-Group Random Channel Hopping (K-RCH) which is based on a symmetric-role model. K-RCH assigns nodes into groups. Each group has at least two nodes, which means the model is more general and can be used in both pairwise and multi-user rendezvous. One of the K-RCH’s features is that it uses a multi-round algorithm to increase its efficiency. Another feature is that it adopts a heterogeneous channel availability model to address complicated communication environments. Simulation results demonstrate that K-RCH achieves a much shorter rendezvous time than the current major rendezvous protocols. The maximum time to rendezvous (MTTR) can complete in three time slots, and the expected time to rendezvous (ETTR) decreases with an increasing number of secondary users.

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