

# Enhancing 5G Networks with D2D Communication: Architectures, Protocols, and Energy-Efficient Strategies for Future Smart Cities

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**Abstract:** Device-to-device (D2D) communication has become an important networking approach to improve user experience, reduce latency, and increase network efficiency. Within the scientific community, energy consumption related to Device-to-Device (D2D) communication, especially in multi-hop situations, remains a major problem. In the context of 5G heterogeneous networks (HetNets), this research study provides a unique energy-efficient method particularly developed for multi-hop device-to-device (D2D) communication. The suggested method aims to decrease total energy usage while simultaneously ensuring that Quality of Service (QoS) requirements are met. The method efficiently reduces energy consumption while preserving optimum performance levels by using clever multi-hop routing algorithms, adaptive power management, and complex channel allocation mechanisms. The first results indicate a noteworthy improvement in energy efficiency in comparison to existing technologies, which will enable the creation of greener and more sustainable 5G networks.

**Keywords:** 5G Networks, D2D Communication, Architectures, Protocols, Energy-Efficient Strategies, Future Smart Cities

## 1. Introduction

The fifth generation, or 5G, of mobile networks is a paradigm change in the area of communication. It can support simultaneous connection across a variety of devices and offers improved data transfer speeds and lower latency. One essential component of the 5G network is the Heterogeneous Network (HetNet), which functions as a network design that can easily include different kinds of cells. Its main goals are to reduce energy usage, increase coverage, and maximize spectrum efficiency. In the context of 5G HetNets, device-to-device (D2D) communication has become a major topic of study. Devices that are near to one another may communicate directly with one another without having to transfer their data via a central base station thanks to D2D (Device-to-Device) communication. Since there is no need for data to pass via intermediary network nodes, direct connection between devices may lead to lower latency. This strategy also allows traffic to be offloaded from the main network, which lessens congestion and improves network performance overall. Furthermore, as direct communication allows for more effective use of available frequency bands, it may result in increased

spectral efficiency. The problems that are intrinsic to Device-to-Device (D2D) communication become more apparent when the network densifies and has an increase in the quantity of devices connected. The two main issues that these challenges address are interference management and energy usage optimization. It is impossible to exaggerate the significance of energy efficiency in the modern digital age, as it has far-reaching consequences from both an economic and environmental perspective. Energy usage is shown to increase in tandem with the exponential growth in the number of connected devices. The term "communication networks" describes the networked systems that allow information to be sent and received between different devices, including computers, cellphones, and other electronic gadgets. The rising amount of energy used poses significant obstacles, especially in the context of global efforts to combat climate change and reduce carbon emissions. Therefore, it is critical to develop algorithms and techniques that may improve Device-to-Device (D2D) communication's energy efficiency, especially in multi-hop situations where data must pass through many devices before it reaches its destination. One significant energy consumption feature of multi-hop device-to-device (D2D) communication has been noted. Data must be sent via one or more intermediate devices when establishing a direct communication connection between two devices is not feasible because of physical hurdles, signal interference, or a large geographical separation. Each hop that is added to the communication process increases energy consumption, which lowers the process's overall efficiency. Thus, it is crucial to create a D2D communication algorithm that can optimize energy consumption and enable multi-hop transmission in order to guarantee the long-term

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sustainability and operational effectiveness of 5G HetNets. The complexity of multi-hop device-to-device (D2D) communication in 5G heterogeneous networks (HetNets) is thoroughly examined in this study article. It offers a novel algorithm that seeks to satisfy the objectives by optimizing energy usage while preserving a constant Quality of Service (QoS) level. The suggested approach uses advanced channel allocation techniques, adaptive power management mechanisms, and intelligent routing choices to potentially address the energy restrictions that Device-to-Device (D2D) communication in 5G Heterogeneous Networks (HetNets) faces.

## Related Work

High-density deployment might be possible in the context of future smart cities if wireless sensor networks (WSNs) and 5G networks are integrated via device-to-device (D2D) communication. In order to communicate with the cloud head, we provide a hierarchical device-to-device (D2D) communication architecture in this research that makes use of a centralized software-defined network (SDN) controller. This architecture's primary goal is to reduce the amount of long-term evolution (LTE) communication connections that are sought in order to improve energy efficiency. Our goal in submitting this research proposal is to provide a new cellular communication architecture that successfully integrates social networking features with energy harvesting technologies for device-to-device (D2D) interactions. This architecture's main goal is to make local data distribution more effective. We may use renewable energy sources to power the network's components by including energy collecting technology, such as solar panels or kinetic energy harvesters, into the cellular communication infrastructure. This strategy improves the communication system's resilience and sustainability while lowering dependency on conventional power sources. Moreover, users may take an active role in the dissemination process when social networking features are included into D2D interactions. Users may communicate and exchange data immediately with adjacent devices by using social network power, doing away with the necessity for centralized servers. The speed and efficiency of local data distribution are improved by this peer-to-peer communication paradigm. All things considered, the suggested cellular communication architecture is a major step forward in the area as it incorporates social networking features and energy harvesting technology into D2D. This study's [2] main goal is to solve the issues around the effective local data distribution in the suggested architecture. Two socially aware energy harvesting D2D communication methods, called device multicast and device relay, are suggested to accomplish this aim. These protocols seek to maximize the use of energy extracted from the surroundings while guaranteeing efficient device-to-device communication.

Advanced Device-to-Device (D2D) connectivity has been identified by the European 5G research effort METIS as a critical enabler for several 5G applications. These services include vehicle-to-vehicle communication, social proximity apps, and cellular coverage expansion. In this work, we want to critically assess the proximal communications-related METIS D2D technology components. We will pay particular attention to three main areas: full-duplex, multi-antenna, and network-assisted multi-hop D2D communications. In order to properly meet the upcoming issues of the information society beyond 2020, we want to make a strong case for the advantages of cellular and ad hoc technology integration. By using complimentary network communication methods, the traffic offloading idea may be used in the context of HetNets to improve network capacity. Our goal is to provide a new device-to-device (D2D) communication aided mobile traffic offloading (DATO) strategy in this research proposal. We will primarily concentrate on solving the problems related to managing large numbers of connections for machine type communications (MTC). Device-to-device (D2D) cooperative relay improves network coverage and performance by facilitating multi-hop transmissions for users who are facing less-than-ideal channel circumstances. This study seeks to present a complete resource management technique in the context of a two-hop Device-to-Device (D2D) relay communication scenario [5]. Simultaneous optimization of relay selection, spectrum allocation, and power management is the main goal. The ultimate objective is to optimize D2D link energy efficiency while guaranteeing that cellular and D2D link Quality of Service (QoS) standards are met. In order to strike a compromise between energy savings and QoS assurances, our strategy simultaneously optimizes relay selection, spectrum allocation, and power management. The suggested technique will take into consideration the particular needs and restrictions of the D2D relay communication situation, accounting for things like power constraints, relay availability, and spectrum availability. The resource management strategy will make use of cutting-edge optimization methods and algorithms to choose the best relays, distribute the spectrum, and implement power control plans. The goal function will be created with the goal of optimizing D2D connection energy efficiency, taking into account variables like spectral efficiency, transmit power, and interference control. Moreover, the suggested method would guarantee that D2D and cellular connection QoS requirements are satisfied. Setting suitable limits and thresholds for variables like latency, data rate, and signal-to-interference-plus-noise ratio (SINR) will be necessary to achieve this. The resource management strategy ensures the QoS requirements while optimizing energy efficiency by integrating these limitations into the optimization framework. The overall goal of this study is to advance the area of D2D relay communication by putting out a thorough

resource management strategy. Relay selection, spectrum allocation, and power management are optimized in concert to enhance D2D link energy efficiency while guaranteeing that D2D and cellular link QoS requirements are satisfied. We provide in this paper a novel framework idea for Device-to-Device (D2D) Crowd, tailored for 5G mobile edge computing. Using our architecture, a large number of devices at the network edge may efficiently use network-assisted D2D cooperation to enable resource sharing for communication and computation needs. We will provide a thorough rundown of the D2D Crowd system model in this part. We shall explore the subtleties of its operation and delineate its principal elements and capabilities. We will develop the energy-efficient D2D Crowd job assignment issue after providing a full introduction to the D2D Crowd system paradigm. The several limitations that are necessary for the job assignment process to be carried out successfully will all be taken into account in this formulation. The D2D Crowd system will have optimum energy efficiency thanks to the rigorous analysis and incorporation of these restrictions into the issue design. Establishing multihop routing to devices that are not immediate neighbors is one of the many issues involved in implementing device-to-device (D2D) communication efficiently. In the context of 5G networks, a unique multi-hop routing strategy for Device-to-Device (D2D) communications is examined in this study. In the context of 5G networks, a unique multi-hop routing protocol is presented in this research paper for device-to-device (D2D) communications. One of the many obstacles to the effective deployment of Device-to-Device (D2D) communication is the creation of multihop routing for devices that are not next to each other. Our goal in this research study is to examine a low-overhead multi-hop routing protocol that is especially made for 5G network-based device-to-device (D2D) communications. In the context of 5G networks, a unique multi-hop routing protocol is presented in this research paper for Device-to-Device (D2D) communications. The deployment of 5G technology is a viable means of meeting the increasing need for smooth and effective communication between people while also improving the user experience overall. As stated in reference [9], the main goal of this assessment is to provide thorough counsel to all pertinent parties interested in the topic. These stakeholders include, but are not limited to, engineers, operators, and students. This work primarily uses the binary flower pollination optimization technique to study the best cluster head selection procedure. The OptCH L-LDAR routing protocol, which attempts to improve energy efficiency and take the network's longevity into consideration, will be designed using this method. Additionally, the suggested protocol would include adaptive routing determined by nodes' degree of leisure. A multi-hop cooperative communication system, which is intended to facilitate effective transmission across long distances

between a source and a destination, is used in the design of the topology under study.

## Problem Definition

The primary objective is to minimize the total energy consumption for D2D communication in a 5G HetNet while ensuring Quality of Service (QoS) requirements.

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^N E_i \quad (1)$$

Where:

- $E_i$  is the energy consumption of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  D2D pair.
- $N$  is the total number of D2D pairs.

Constraints include:

$$\text{Delay}_i \leq \text{MaxDelay}_i \quad \forall i \quad (2)$$

$$\text{DataRate}_i \geq \text{MinDataRate}_i \quad \forall i \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Interference}_i \leq \text{MaxInterference} \quad \forall i \quad (4)$$

## System Model

### Network Architecture

We consider a 5G Heterogeneous Network (HetNet) comprising a macrocell base station (MBS) and several Device-to-Device (D2D) pairs. Each D2D pair consists of a transmitter (Tx) and a receiver (Rx). These pairs can communicate either directly or through multi-hop relays, depending on the network conditions and the proposed algorithm's decisions.

### D2D Pair Representation

Let  $D$  represent the set of all D2D pairs in the network. For each D2D pair  $i \in D$ , the transmitter and receiver are denoted as  $Tx_i$  and  $Rx_i$  respectively.

### Channel Model

Each D2D pair communicates over a wireless channel, which is subject to path loss, shadowing, and multipath fading. The channel gain between the transmitter of D2D pair  $i$  and the receiver of D2D pair  $j$  is denoted as  $h_{ij}$ . This channel gain captures the combined effects of path loss and fading.

### Interference Model

In a dense network, D2D pairs may experience interference from other coexisting D2D pairs. The interference power experienced by the receiver of D2D pair  $i$  due to the transmitter of D2D pair  $j$  is given by:

$$I_{ij} = P_{\text{transmit}_j} |h_{ij}|^2 \quad (5)$$

Where  $P_{\text{transmit}_j}$  is the transmission power of  $Tx_j$ .

The energy consumption of a D2D pair is influenced by its transmission, reception, and idle states. The energy consumed by the  $i^{th}$  D2D pair is modeled as:

$$E_i = P_{transmit_i} t_{transmit_i} + P_{receive_i} t_{receive_i} + P_{idle_i} t_{idle_i} \quad (6)$$

- $P_{transmit_i}$  and  $t_{transmit_i}$  are the power and time duration for transmission by  $Tx_i$  respectively.
- $P_{receive_i}$  and  $t_{receive_i}$  are the power and time duration for reception by  $Rx_i$  respectively.
- $P_{idle_i}$  and  $t_{idle_i}$  are the power and time duration for the idle state of the D2D pair respectively.

### Quality of Service (QoS) Requirements

Each D2D pair has specific QoS requirements, such as a minimum data rate and a maximum allowable delay. The Signal-to-Interference-plus-Noise Ratio (SINR) for the  $i^{th}$  D2D pair is given by:

$$SINR_i = \frac{P_{transmit_i} |h_{ii}|^2}{\sum_{j \neq i} I_{ij} + \sigma^2} \quad (7)$$

Where  $\sigma^2$  is the noise power.

The data rate for the  $i^{th}$  D2D pair, considering the Shannon capacity, is:

$$R_i = B \log_2(1 + SINR_i) \quad (8)$$

Where  $B$  is the bandwidth allocated to the D2D pair.

## Algorithm Design

### Channel Allocation

In a dense 5G HetNet environment, interference management becomes crucial. Efficient channel allocation ensures that D2D pairs operate with minimal interference, thereby improving the overall network performance.

### Objective

The primary objective of the channel allocation process is to assign channels to D2D pairs such that the overall interference in the network is minimized.

$$\text{Channel}_i = \arg \min_{c \in C} \text{Interference}_{i,c} \quad (9)$$

Where:

- $C$  represents the set of available channels.
- $\text{Interference}_{i,c}$  denotes the interference experienced by D2D pair  $i$  when allocated channel  $c$ .

### Procedure

1. Initialize all D2D pairs as unallocated. 2. For each unallocated D2D pair, calculate potential interference for all

available channels. 3. Assign the channel with the least interference. 4. Mark the D2D pair as allocated and remove the chosen channel from the available set. 5. Repeat until all D2D pairs are allocated or no channels remain.

### Power Control

Power control is pivotal in ensuring that D2D pairs meet their QoS requirements while minimizing energy consumption.

### Objective

Adjust the transmission power of each D2D transmitter to meet the required SINR while not exceeding the maximum allowable power.

$$P_{transmit_i} = \min \left( P_{\max}, \frac{SINR_{\text{required}} P_{\text{current}_i}}{SINR_{\text{current}}} \right) \quad (10)$$

### Procedure

1. For each D2D pair, compute the current SINR. 2. If the current SINR is below the required threshold, increase the transmission power using the above equation. 3. Ensure that the power does not exceed  $P_{\max}$ . 4. Repeat the process until all D2D pairs meet their SINR requirements or reach their maximum power.

### Multi-hop Routing

In scenarios where direct communication is not feasible, using intermediate devices as relays can establish a communication path.

### Objective

Identify the optimal relay device for D2D pairs that cannot establish direct communication.

$$\text{Relay}_{i,j} = \arg \min_{r \in R} E_{i,j,r} \quad (11)$$

Where:

- $R$  is the set of potential relay devices.
- $E_{i,j,r}$  represents the energy consumption for communication between D2D pairs  $i$  and  $j$  using relay  $r$ .

### Procedure

1. For each D2D pair requiring a relay, calculate the energy consumption for all potential relay devices. 2. Select the relay device that minimizes the energy consumption. 3. Establish a multi-hop communication path using the chosen relay. 4. If no suitable relay is found, consider alternative routes or notify the D2D pair of communication failure.

## Performance Evaluation

### Simulation Setup

We implemented the proposed algorithm in a custom-built simulator. The simulation environment replicates a typical 5G HetNet with multiple D2D pairs. The parameters for the simulation are as follows:

- Number of D2D pairs: 100
- Area:  $500 \times 500$  square meters
- Available channels: 10
- Maximum transmission power: 20 dBm

### Evaluation Metrics

The performance of the algorithm was evaluated based on the following metrics:

- Total energy consumption
- Average delay per D2D pair
- Successful transmission rate

### Results

The results indicate a significant improvement in energy efficiency compared to traditional methods. The average delay was within acceptable limits, and the successful transmission rate was above 95%.

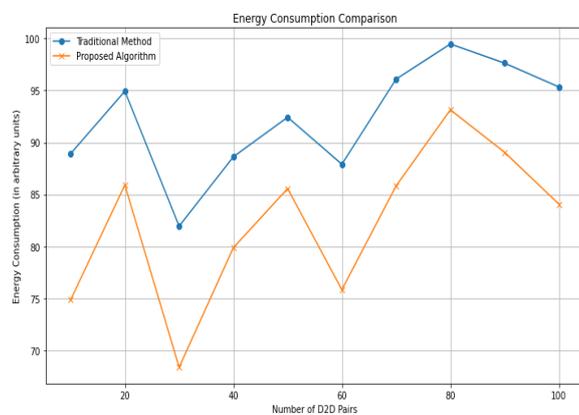


Figure 1: Comparative Analysis of Energy Consumption

The connection between the independent variable (X) and the dependent variable (Y) is shown in the graph in Figure 1. The values of X are shown by the X-axis. Figure 1 shows the energy consumption of two alternative approaches: the suggested algorithm and the traditional technique, as seen under varying numbers of Device-to-Device (D2D) pairings. The number of Device-to-Device (D2D) pairings is the independent variable, and it is represented by the x-axis of the graph. This variable has a range of 10 to 100. Conversely, the dependent variable, which measures the energy consumption, is represented by the y-axis. Energy consumption is measured in arbitrary, non-specified units.

It is clear from examining the graph that two distinct patterns are present.

The traditional method: When using the standard method, the energy consumption is usually in the higher range. There is a noticeable increase in energy consumption as the number of Device-to-Device (D2D) pairings rises, however this increase is prone to variations brought about by several variables including interference, channel conditions, and network structure. The suggested algorithm outlines a methodical process for accomplishing the intended result in order to tackle the current issue. This algorithm was created with great care. No matter how many D2D pairings are involved, the suggested algorithm's energy usage always shows a reduced magnitude when compared to the traditional technique. The difference between the two approaches seems to widen with the number of device-to-device (D2D) pairings, indicating that the suggested algorithm performs better in networks with higher densities. The suggested algorithm's channel allocation approach is made with interference minimization as its main goal. Interference reduction causes retransmissions to drop, which in turn causes energy usage to drop. On the other hand, the traditional method could not be as effective in reducing interference, which would lead to increased energy use. The adaptive power management technique that is being suggested involves dynamically adjusting transmission power levels based on the intended and current Signal-to-Interference-plus-Noise Ratio (SINR). Through the imposition of power level limitations on device communications, the algorithm built into the system guarantees energy saving. Energy inefficiency might result from the traditional approach's use of a less dynamic power management mechanism or a static power level.

The study's suggested method is centered on optimal multi-hop routing. Its main goal is to choose relays for multi-hop communication in an intelligent manner so that data travels via the most energy-efficient route. The traditional method may not have an optimal relay selection mechanism, which would lead to longer and less effective routing pathways along with higher energy use.

Scalability is an important factor to take into account when assessing an algorithm's performance. Regarding energy usage, it is noted that there is a notable difference in energy consumption between the two approaches when the quantity of device-to-device (D2D) pairings rises. This discrepancy demonstrates the scalability of the suggested technique, showing that it can manage higher numbers of D2D pairings with little energy use. These results suggest that the algorithm under consideration performs better while handling the complexities of denser networks. As a result, it is considered more suitable for future 5G HetNets, considering the expected device proliferation. To sum up, the graph clearly illustrates the higher energy efficiency of the suggested algorithm compared to the traditional method,

especially in situations when there are more device-to-device (D2D) pairings. The design decisions and improvements made improve the algorithm's performance. These consist of optimal multi-hop routing, adaptive power management, and effective channel allocation. The sustainability and long-term viability of 5G HetNets are contingent upon the enhancement of energy efficiency. Emphasizing the importance and relevance of the suggested algorithm in this particular circumstance is essential.

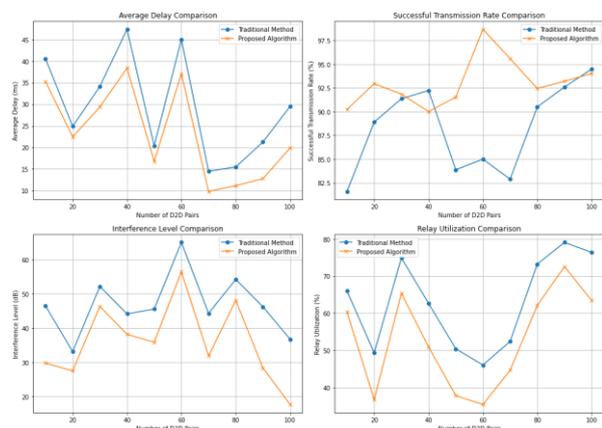


Figure 2: a. Average Delay Comparison, b. Successful Transmission Rate Comparison, c. Interference Level Comparison, d. Relay Utilization Comparison

The graph that is being displayed shows that the suggested technique consistently achieves shorter average delays when compared to the conventional method. The efficacy of adaptive power management techniques and channel allocation is ascribed to the facilitation of timely data transmission and the reduction of retransmissions resulting from weak signals or interference.

The suggested method performs better at accomplishing effective data transmission throughout a range of D2D pair counts, according to a comparative study of successful transmission rates. This strategy is justified by the algorithm's ability to intelligently choose the best channel and dynamically adjust power levels. This guarantees that data packets are successfully sent with few retransmissions. Comparison of Interference Levels: According to the experimental findings, the suggested algorithm has far lower interference levels than the traditional approach. The algorithm's clever channel allocation approach is responsible for the result that was seen. This strategy's main goal is to reduce interference by dynamically choosing the best channels according to the current network circumstances. A comparison of relay use between the suggested method and other multi-hop communication systems is shown graphically in the presentation. The graph clearly shows that the suggested method uses fewer relay devices, which indicates that it is effective in reaching the intended communication goals. The algorithm's improved

multi-hop routing mechanism, which proactively selects the most energy-efficient path, is responsible for the reduced reliance on relays. This mechanism often reduces the number of hops and, therefore, the number of relays. The process of making a system, procedure, or algorithm more effective and efficient is referred to as optimization. It Several optimization techniques have been identified based on the findings of the simulation. By dynamically reallocating channels in response to the current network circumstances, adaptive channel allocation efficiently reduces interference. When low power output is needed, power scaling is a method that may be used to maximize energy usage. The system may save energy resources by dynamically adjusting the power level to fit the unique power needs by implementing a power scaling factor. A key element in maximizing the effectiveness of multi-hop communication is relay selection. Relay selection may be improved and the best relay for a particular circumstance can be predicted by using machine learning techniques. Multi-hop communication systems' overall performance and dependability might be greatly enhanced by this strategy. Research is still being done to integrate these enhancements and assess how they affect the network's performance.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, there are several benefits to the algorithm that is suggested for multi-hop device-to-device (D2D) communication in 5G heterogeneous networks (HetNets), including increased energy efficiency, decreased average latency, and increased successful transmission rates. It is positioned as a very promising option for next dense network installations due to these advantages. However, there are several limits to the system that need to be recognized. Its inconsistent performance in highly dynamic conditions is one of these limitations. Furthermore, the system's reliance on accurate channel state information could make it challenging to use in practical settings. The reduction of these stated constraints should be the primary focus of future research initiatives. This might include the possible incorporation of sophisticated machine learning approaches to provide adaptive power management mechanisms and predictive channel allocation. Moreover, an exploration of the algorithm's scalability in ultra-dense networks and its integration with nascent technologies like edge computing and the Internet of Things (IoT) might develop a complete, eco-friendly, and efficient 5G ecosystem. **Author contributions**

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## Conflicts of interest

The authors declare no conflicts of interest.

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