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Abstract

Using small cells to create an ultra-dense network for 5G and beyond is a promising strategy to improve network coverage, data demands and reduce latency. Despite using small cells, these dense wireless networks result in performance degradation and increased energy consumption. Energy consumption is a crucial parameter for sustainable future wireless networks. In order to improve quality of service (QoS) and Energy Efficiency (EE), efficient resource allocation strategies are required. This paper investigates a Parameterized Double Deep Q-Network (PDDQN) based framework for joint user association and power allocation to improve EE and throughput. Apart from other conventional machine learning approaches, considering single state space of the joint optimization problem, our proposed framework considers both discrete and continuous state spaces. Our proposed PDDQN technique also solves the generalization problem that occurs due to similar states. The simulation results indicate that the proposed work significantly improves energy EE and throughput in large-scale learning problems. © 2023 IEEE.

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