

On the path coverage by a non homogeneous random sensor field

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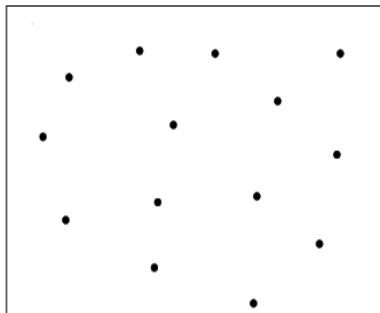
Coverage : fundamental issue

How well do the sensors observe (or sense) the physical space (or sensor field) in the sensor network ?

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Fixed/random sensor network



• Sensor Node

Fixed/given network

Sensor locations and coverages are assumed to be known.

Random network

Sensor locations are random and form a point process on a line, plane or in 3-dimensional space. Coverages are random sets.

Coverage analysis

Coverage by a given network

Algorithmic (deterministic) study using techniques from computational geometry like Voronoi and Delaunay triangulation.

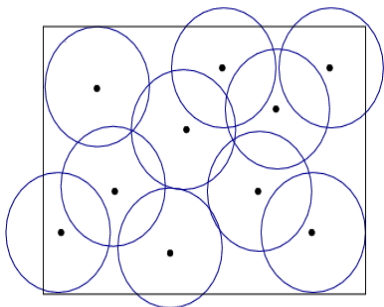
Coverage by a random network

Stochastic analysis using techniques from stochastic geometry and spatial random processes.

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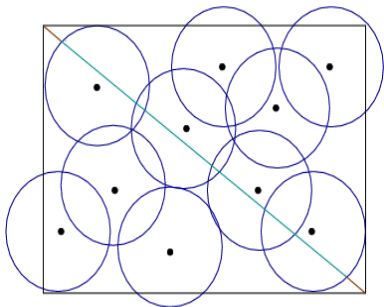
Coverage by sensor field



Coverage of d -dimensional volume

- Area coverage: fraction of geographical area covered
- Line/path coverage: fraction of the line covered
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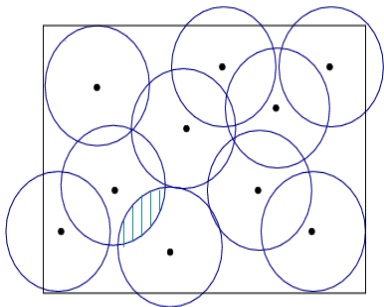
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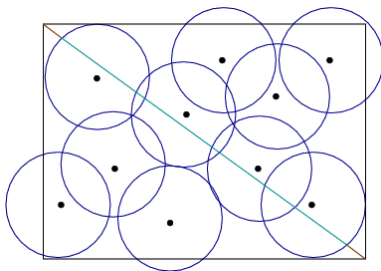
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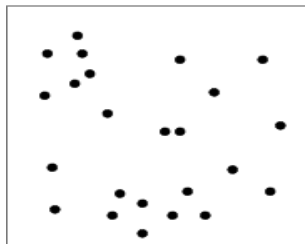
Motivation



Path coverage

- *Coverage of a one-dimensional path induced by a two-dimensional random network.*
- *Applications like intrusion detection, target tracking*

Motivation Cont.



● Sensor

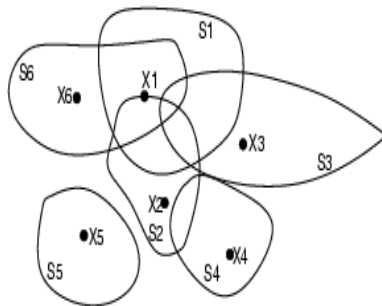
Stochastic analysis: Non homogeneous

- *Due to non homogeneous degradation of the network*
- *Application specific non homogeneous placement of nodes.*

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Stochastic model



Coverage process [Hall 1988]

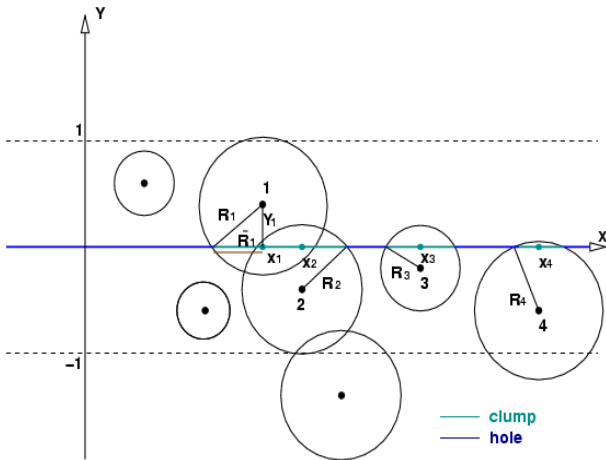
- *Countable collection of points*
- *Countable collection of nonempty sets*

Coverage process

Non homogeneous spatial process

- *Set of sensor locations: $P = \{X_i\}$, $X_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$. P is a non stationary spatial Poisson process of intensity $\lambda(x, y)$.*
- *Thresholded sensing with sensing area as circle of radius R_i and $\{R_i\}$ are identically distributed with density $f_R(r)$*
- *The coverage process, $C := \{X_i + R_i, i \geq 1\}$ is the Non homogeneous Boolean Model.*
- *Support of R_i is $[0, 1]$*

Coverage process on x -axis



Induced coverage process

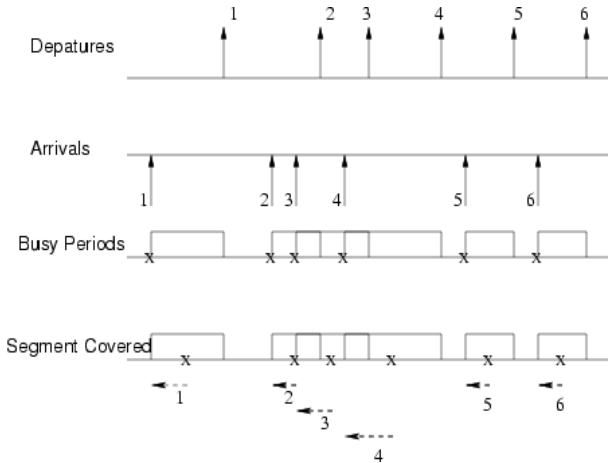
One-dimensional spatial process

- *Induced coverage process in one dimension (WLOG x -axis) shown to be one-dimensional non homogeneous Boolean model.*
- *Clump: A contiguous segment on a line that is sensed, or 'covered', by one or more sensors*
- *A contiguous segment that is not covered by any sensor is called a hole.*
- *Vacancy of the segment is the sum of the hole lengths.*

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Coverage process and $M/G/\infty$ queue



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Clumps are busy periods

- *Number in service at time x = Number of sensors sensing the point x*
- *Coverage statistics for non homogeneous sensor field same as busy period statistics of $M_t/G_t/\infty$ queue*
- *Corresponding $M_t/G_t/\infty$ queue (arrival rate and service time density) are derived.*

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Point *k*–coverage

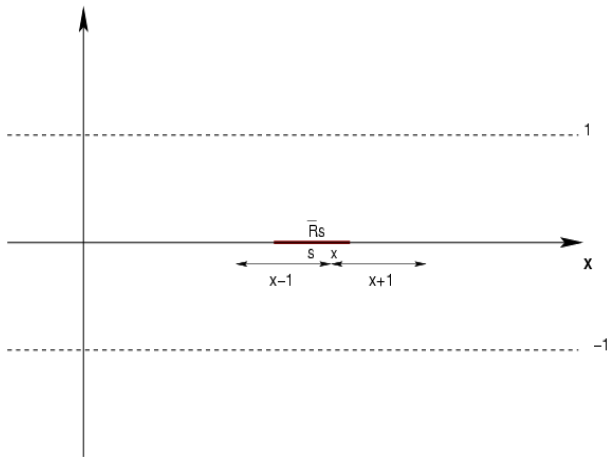
$p_k(x)$, Poisson distributed

- *With expected number of sensors covering the point x*

$$m(x) = \int_{x-1}^{x+1} \bar{\lambda}(s) \gamma(x, s) ds$$

- $\gamma(x, s)$ is the probability that point x is covered by a sensor at s .

Point k -coverage



k-coverage

Results

- *Fraction of the segment covered : Expected vacancy and variance of vacancy obtained.*
- *Complete coverage of the segment : Bounds obtained.*
- *Residual hole and clump lengths*

Numerical study

'Laplacian' intensity function, $\lambda(x, y) = \theta e^{-\mu(|x|+|y|)}$ and $R_i = 1$

$$\bar{\lambda}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{2\theta(1 - e^{-\mu})}{\mu} e^{-\mu|\mathbf{x}|}, \quad f_{\bar{R}_x}(\bar{r}) = \frac{\bar{r} e^{-\mu(\sqrt{1-\bar{r}^2})}}{\frac{(1-e^{-\mu})}{\mu} \sqrt{1-\bar{r}^2}}$$

Summary

Path coverage by random networks

- *k*-coverage analysis for a non homogeneous random sensor network.
- Preliminary results published.[Globecom2006]
- Further analysis in progress.

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