

Introduction to Wireless Networks: protocols and performance analysis

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PHY modelling issues

- Usually the PHY layer is considered a Black box in the simulation model (e.g. when studying higher layers)
- Many PHY parameters can have a deep effect on higher layers' behavior (and are inherently "continuous"...)
 - a modeler needs to know what is required to be modeled for obtaining significant results (e.g. mapping to "discrete"...)
 - simplifying assumptions can lead to wrong results
 - Warning: more analysis?
- Usually the choice is to model only few parameters of the PHY layer, describing the aggregate effect of main parameters (see later) and their values' distributions.
 - Trace driven simulation? Regression data from logged trace results?
 - e.g. channel states → Bit error rate → prob. of packet error?
 - e.g. network topology → interference → bit error rate?
 - e.g. coding and transmission technique → data rate?

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PHY modelling issues

- Homework: analytical analysis of a PHY system**
 - a given channel is DSSS with 8 chips/bit
 - maximum chipping rate = 2.000.000 chip/sec
 - can recover up to 2 chip errors/bit
 - probability of chip error = Pce
 - probability of a bit error?
 - frame length (constant) = 1500 Bytes
 - probability of frame error?
 - will be used as the PHY (black box) reliability parameter...
 - timeout delay before packet retransmission attempt = 1 sec
 - average delay before tagged frame's successful transmission?

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PHY modelling issues

- Homework: Solution**
 - Probability of a bit error?

$$P_{bit_ok} = (1 - p_{ce})^8 + 8 \cdot p_{ce} \cdot (1 - p_{ce})^7 + \binom{8}{2} \cdot p_{ce}^2 \cdot (1 - p_{ce})^6$$

$$P_{bit_error} = 1 - P_{bit_ok}$$
 - Probability of frame error?

$$P_{FrameError} = P\{at_least_one_bit_error\} = 1 - p\{all_bits_ok\}$$

$$P_{FrameError} = 1 - P_{bit_ok}^{(1500 \cdot 8)}$$

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PHY modelling issues

- Homework: Solution**
 - Average delay before successful transmission of a tagged frame?

Avg. Delay = (Avg._Number_Retrans.*Timeout)+Frame Delay

$$avg_delay = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot (p_{FrameError})^{i-1} \cdot (1 - p_{FrameError}) \right] \cdot Timeout + \frac{[1500 \cdot 8 \cdot 8]}{2.000.000}$$

$$avg_delay = \frac{1}{1 - P_{FrameError}} \cdot Timeout + 0.048 = \frac{1}{P_{bit_ok}^{1500 \cdot 8}} \cdot Timeout + 0.048$$

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Modelling network topology and mobility

- Fixed (static) topology**
 - fixed (static) model
- Ad Hoc topologies**
 - many hosts with topology parameters
 - 2D position (X,Y) or 3D position (X,Y,Z)
 - Links: related to mutual reachability (mono,bi-directional)
 - TX Power (Coverage area)
 - circular (multiple coverage sub-areas)
 - exagonal (approximation for regular infrastructure models, e.g. cellular AP)
 - square (highly approximated)
 - Rx sensitivity (reception threshold)
 - Interference model?
 - asymmetric coverage area
 - Obstacles?

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Ad Hoc mobility

- mobility dynamically affects network topology
- many hosts with mobility parameters
 - (assume 2D position (X,Y) for simplicity)
 - host state: fixed or mobile
 - two-state model: probability distribution
 - fixed-position state : zero mobility
 - mobile state : non-zero mobility
 - » various mobility models define the mobility parameters
 - » Velocity is a vector (speed, direction, orientation)
 - » position shift is vector (Velocity*time)
- Problem: mobility is a continuous process
 - how to model mobility effects in discrete event simulation?
 - discrete quantization? -> approximation of effects
 - fine quantization -> many events -> slow simulation

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Random Waypoint model

- is completely random (pattern-less)
- This model is less affected by the initial position of hosts
- Host N
 - step $i = 1..I$ starting at time $T_{n,i}$
 - » Host N selects random target position (x,y) in the plane
 - » host N moves with constant velocity $V_{n,i}$ (randomly generated)
 - » Step duration is a function of distance and velocity
 - node mobility is not correlated -> link failures are independent.

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Random Direction model

- is completely random (pattern-less)
- host mobility characterized by a sequence of "epoch"
- Host N
 - epoch $i = 1..I$ starting at time $T_{n,i}$ with duration $DT_{n,i}$
 - » epoch duration $DT_{n,i}$ is a stochastic variable, exponentially distributed, average $1/\lambda_n$ (consecutive duration independent)
 - » host N moves with constant velocity $V_{n,i}$
 - » host N moves in constant direction $D_{n,i}$ (in polar coordinates)
 - » Number of epochs in a time interval t is a discrete stochastic process $N_n(t)$
 - for each host n , and for each epoch i , $DT_{n,i}$, $V_{n,i}$, $D_{n,i}$ are NOT correlated -> node mobility is not correlated -> link failures are independent.

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Random Direction model

- implementation 1:
 - given $pos(n,i)$ the position of node n in epoch i , and $R_n(i)$ the vector defining the movement in epoch i for node n (constant speed and direction for the time $DT_{n,i}$)
 $pos(n,i+1) = pos(n,i) + R_n(i)$
- Implementation 2:
 - $DT_{n,i}$ is constant (epoch duration is constant)
- Variation:
 - a node after each movement waits for a constant time

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Random Direction model

- how to evaluate the presence of a link between node a and b in a time interval $[t_0, t_1]$?
 - evaluate mobility of node a in $[t_0, t_1]$
 - evaluate mobility of node b in $[t_0, t_1]$
 - evaluate relative mobility of nodes a, b in $[t_0, t_1]$
 - compare with the model assumption about Tx range, etc.
 - N.B. given the model assumption, and given the model parameters, $Prob(\text{link from } a \text{ to } b)$ can be defined analytically
 - N.B. since the model assumptions make the node mobility not correlated, a route between multiple nodes (multi-hop) can be defined analytically with the joint probabilities $P(a \text{ to } b) * P(b \text{ to } c) \dots$
- This is interesting property: can validate simulation results?

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Random Direction model

- is the discrete counterpart of the Brownian motion
 - e.g. see http://galileo.phys.virginia.edu/classes/109N/more_stuff/Applets/brownian/brownian.html
 - e.g. see [Project MFR](#) (credits Quadalti, Massera, Capece)
- it is not much realistic for network scenarios
- can be used sometimes as "worst case" analysis because it describes the most "unpredictable" mobility pattern
- it can be described and validated analytically

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Reference Point Group Mobility (RPGM)

- it relates to group mobility in ad hoc networks
- each "group" of hosts has a "logic centre"
- the "logic centre" mobility defines the global mobility parameters of the group
- mobile hosts are uniformly distributed inside the "domain area" of the "logic center" of the group
- each host has a random mobility around a "reference point" (RP) which moves relative to the "logic center" mobility

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Reference Point Group Mobility (RPGM)

- implementation is based on
 - Vgi: vector for group motion (logic center)
 - Vhi: vector for host motion around RP
- check points define discrete time advance Dt
- at check point time t the group moves to current position
- Advantage
 - can be used to model realistic scenarios
 - can be used for modelling "logged traces" of real mobility pattern (snapshot recorded as vectors Vgi, Vhi for each checkpoint)

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Natural Random Model (NRM)

- a model for highly predictable paths
 - assumes low variation of mobility vector vs. time
- for a given host h:
 - mobility vector $M(xv,yv)$ = the sum of
 - Base Vector $Bh(bx,by)$
 - » main (group) mobility component
 - Variance Vector $Vh(vx,vy)$
 - » models the variation from the base vector of a single host
 - maybe $MIN(xv,yv) < M(xv,yv) < MAX(xv,yv)$ to model realistic range of variation for node speed
 - by using polar coordinates, MIN and MAX variation of direction can be defined
 - finally, acceleration/deceleration can be controlled

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Exponentially correlated random mobility (ECRM)

- host partitioned in \mathcal{G} groups: Si hosts in group i

$$b(t+1) = b(t) \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}} + s \cdot \sigma \cdot \sqrt{1 - e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}}} \cdot r$$

- $b(t)$ is the position (polar coordinates) at time t
- τ is a time constant (position-change rate)
- σ is the variance for the position-changes
- s is the host speed
- r is a gaussian variable

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Exponentially correlated random mobility (ECRM)

- motion of each group is independent
 - from other groups' motion
 - from motion of hosts in the group

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Restricted random waypoint

- based on random waypoint
- applied to large ad hoc networks
 - towns, highways...
- Ordinary hosts
 - follow random waypoint modelling of towns
 - towns are geographic areas (grid)
- commuter hosts
 - after a single motion in town, they move to another town, becoming Ordinary hosts
 - they run (constant speed and direction) over highways

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▪ Column model

- model characterized by "leader" host and a set of related hosts following the leader
- each host i has a reference point $RP_i(x,y)$
- each host i has a random motion component vector RV_i with respect to its reference point RP_i
- each reference point RP has a global motion component vector AV
- position of node i at time $t+Dt$:
 - $pos(t+Dt) = RP(t+Dt) + RV(t)$
 - where $RP(t+Dt) = RP(t) * AV(t)$

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▪ Pursue Model

- model similar to set of nodes following a target host
- non-target hosts are limited in the amount of distance they run towards the target in a given time by $A(target_pos(t))$ (their pursue of the target is approximated)
- non-target hosts motions are biased by the random component vector RV
- position of host i at time $t+Dt$:
 $pos(t+Dt) = pos(t) + A(target_pos(t)) + RV(t)$

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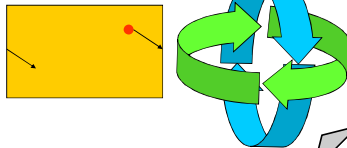
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▪ The area boundary policy

- **reflection** (concentrate host distribution in the middle of the area)



- **toroidal** (uniform distribution)



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