

CNCL: Contents

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Setting the context...

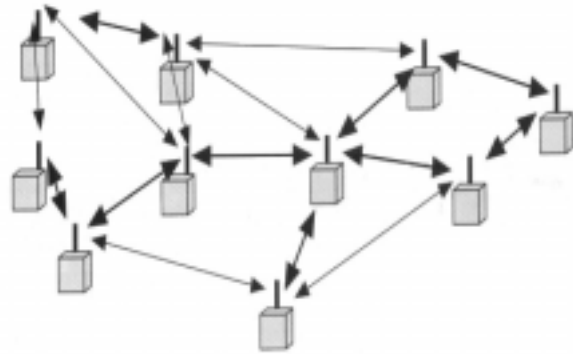
- Context:
 - Ad hoc network with mobile nodes using a simple mobility model known as Random Waypoint
 - We are interested in connectivity properties of such a network assuming a simple node connectivity model (Boolean model)
 - Connectivity is related to network reliability (not to traffic performance)
- The assignment is about ...
 - Creating a discrete event simulator for the above network
 - Requires handling of mobile movement but ...
 - NO traffic needs to be simulated
 - Measuring connectivity requires sampling of the system state at fixed intervals

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Ad hoc networks

- IETF working group: MANET (Mobile Ad Hoc Networks)
- Characteristics
 - Wireless meshed network where communication occurs over multihop paths
 - No centralized control (no base station)
 - Nodes communicate directly with other nodes that are immediately within radio coverage
 - Nodes act as relays for the traffic from other nodes
 - Nodes can join and leave the network
- Applications
 - Conferences and meetings
 - Emergencies, disasters
 - Tactical military



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Connectivity (1)

- Boolean network model
 - Two nodes are connected if distance between them is greater than the transmission range of a node
 - Additionally we assume that all nodes have the same transmission range
 - Only takes into account signal attenuation as a function of distance (ignores interference effects)
- Definition: For a given graph,
 - 1-connectivity: there exists a path from all nodes to all other nodes
 - sufficient to check if from one node all other nodes can be reached
 - k-connectivity: there exists k node disjoint paths from all nodes to all other nodes
 - implies that any k-1 nodes can fail and the network is still connected
- Here we are only interested in properties related to 1-connectivity, and we use just the word connectivity to refer to 1-connectivity

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Connectivity (2)

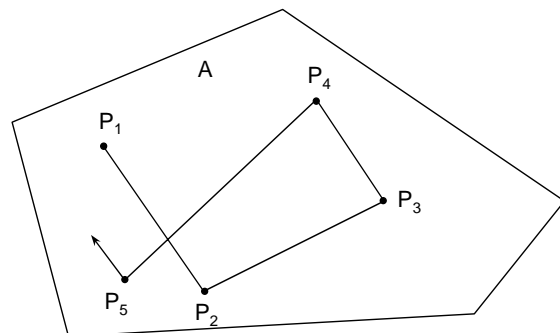
- We are interested in
 - probability of connectivity, and
 - mean length of the connectivity periods
- Probability of connectivity:
 - Probability that the network is connected at an arbitrary point of time
 - By definition, it gives also the fraction of time the network is connected
- Mean length of 1-connectivity periods
 - observing the system state over time, the network is connected (and disconnected) for random periods of time
 - In this exercise, we are only interested in the **mean** length of the connectivity periods

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Random waypoint mobility model

- Node moves within an area A along a zig-zag path
- Each turning point called way point
- Path from waypoint to another called a leg
- At each way point node selects a new destination way point from a uniform distribution over A
- Node moves to the new location at constant speed
- Speed can also be chosen from a given distribution independently of everything else ($v_{\text{Min}} > 0$)
- In case of a network of nodes, each node moves independently
- In this exercise we consider
 - n nodes
 - movement area is the unit square



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Analysis of RWP (1)

- General results: node location distribution, $f(r)$, and mean length of a leg, $\bar{\ell}$
- Example: unit disk
 - pdf of node location distribution

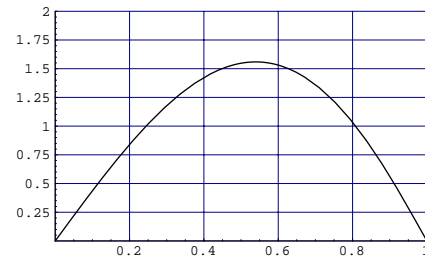
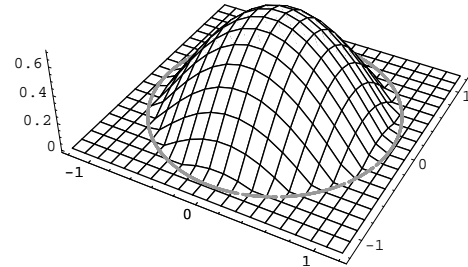
$$f(r) = \frac{2(1-r^2)}{\bar{\ell}\pi^2} \int_0^\pi \sqrt{1-r^2 \cos^2 \phi} d\phi$$

- mean length of a leg

$$\int_{r=0}^1 2\pi r f(r) = 1 \Rightarrow \bar{\ell} = \frac{128}{45\pi}$$

- pdf for distance from center, R

$$g(r) = 2\pi r f(r) \Rightarrow E[R] \approx 0.516$$



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Analysis of RWP (2)

- In this exercise the movement area is a unit square
 - drawing waypoints is very easy: $X \sim U(0,1)$ and $Y \sim U(0,1)$
- Pdf of node location can be numerically computed from the general form

$$f(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\bar{\ell}} \int_0^\pi a_1 a_2 (a_1 + a_2) d\phi$$

- a_1 is the distance to border in direction ϕ and a_2 the same in direction $\phi+\pi$

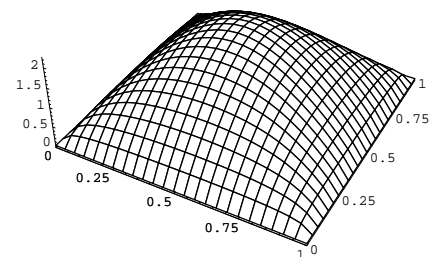
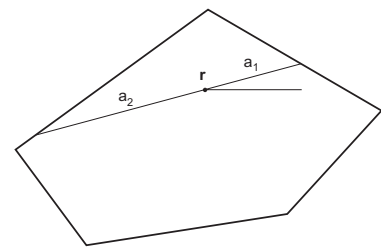
- By normalization we get

$$\int_{\mathbf{r} \in A} f(\mathbf{r}) = 1 \Rightarrow \bar{\ell} \approx 0.521$$

- Mean distance from origin

$$E[R] = \int_{\mathbf{r} \in A} |\mathbf{r}| f(\mathbf{r}) \approx 0.745$$

- Tip: use knowledge of $\bar{\ell}$ and $E[R]$ to verify that your RWP implementation works!



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CNCL assignment

- You are given an example skeleton code for a simulation model of RWP
 - Makefile, cncl_sim.c
- Your task is to
 - implement the RWP mobility model
 - implement the statistics collection
 - implement the main method