

Minimum Coverage Breach and Maximum Network Lifetime in Wireless Sensor Networks

Chen Wang (Tsinghua University)

Joint work with:

My Thai (University of Florida)

Yingshu Li (Georgia State University)

Feng Wang (Arizona State University)

Weili Wu (University of Texas at Dallas)



Outline

- Coverage Model with Bandwidth Constraints
- Trade-off Scheme
- LP-relax Algorithm
- Greedy Heuristic
- Numerical Results



Wireless Sensor Network

- Main characteristic:
 - Limited energy
 - Redundancy
- QoS measurement:
 - Network Lifetime
 - Coverage



Single-hop Target Coverage Model

- Coverage Model
 - Target Model and Area Model
 - An area model can be converted into a target model
- Single-hop Target Coverage model
 - Setting:
a set of sensors/targets, and “covering” relations between them
 - Approach: scheduling sensor nodes into subsets, each of which can cover all targets, and is alternatively activated to work
 - Goal: total lifetime is maximized



Bandwidth Constraint

- A major potential problem:
 - Not sufficient bandwidth for a subset of sensors to simultaneously send data
- Bandwidth Constraint:
 - time division scheme of single channel: #time slots
 - multiple channels scheme: #channels
 - Essentially, size of simultaneously active sensors
- When bandwidth is not sufficient
 - Some targets are covered, but others may not be. \$ **BREACH**



Related Work

- Coverage breach issues due to bandwidth constraint is addressed by Cheng et al (05).

- Minimum Breach Problem

- Divide sensors into p disjoint subsets

$$S_1, S_2, \dots, S_p, \text{ where } p = \lfloor n/W \rfloor$$

- Coverage breach is defined as

$$\sum_{j=1}^p$$

(# uncovered targets by S_j)

$$j=1$$

- The use of disjoint subsets simplify the issues but may weaken the solution.



Measurement of Coverage Breach

□ (Total) coverage breach:

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^m (t_{j,i} - t_j z_{jk})$$

$z_{jk} = 1$ indicates at least one sensor in S_j can cover target r_k

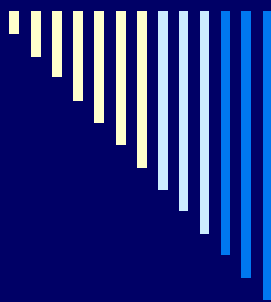
□ Breach Rate (BR)

$$BR = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^m (t_{j,i} - t_j z_{jk})}{m \sum_{j=1}^p t_j}$$



Tradeoff

- In applications, totally coverage may not be necessary.
 - Minimize the coverage breach with a lower bound of NLT
 - Prolong NLT with an upper bound of coverage breach
- The longer network lifetime is gain, the more coverage breach may occur.
- A tradeoff between coverage breach and network lifetime
 - Two different models are proposed for the two scenarios above



Minimum Coverage Breach with Bandwidth Constraints (MCBB)

□ Given:

- Set of sensors $C=\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$
- Set of targets $R=\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m\}$
- Coverage relation between C and R
- Number of available channels W
- Minimum required lifetime T_0

□ Output a optimal schedule of sensors, $\{(S_1, t_1), (S_2, t_2), \dots, (S_p, t_p)\}$, $S_j \gg S$, subject to:

- Total coverage breach is minimized
- total active time for each sensor doesn't exceed 1
- Network lifetime is at least T_0
- Size of each S_j is at most W



Minimum Coverage Breach with Bandwidth Constraints (MCBB)

- Comparison between the Minimum Breach problem
 - Non-disjoint subsets vs. Disjoint subsets
 - Smaller Breach rate may be achieved
 - Arbitrary total lifetime in $(0, n]$ vs. Fixed total lifetime $[n/W]$



Maximum Network Lifetime with Bandwidth Constraints (MNLB)

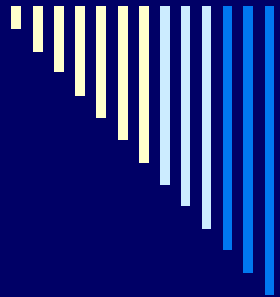
□ Given:

- Set of sensors $C = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$
- Set of targets $R = \{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m\}$
- Coverage relation between C and R
- Number of available channels W
- Max breach rate parameter α

□ Output a schedule of sensors,

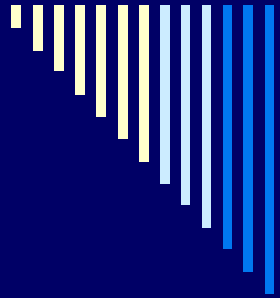
$\{(S_1, t_1), (S_2, t_2), \dots, (S_p, t_p)\}$, $S_i \gg S$, subject to:

- Total network lifetime is maximized
- total active time for each sensor doesn't exceed 1
- Breach rate is at most α
- Size of each S_j is at most W



Relation between MCBB and MNLB

- Strongly related with each other
 - Any algorithm for MCBB can be converted into an algorithm for MNLB using a binary search strategy and vice versa
- How to solve?
 - Both are NP-hard
 - Heuristics are proposed to solve MCBB

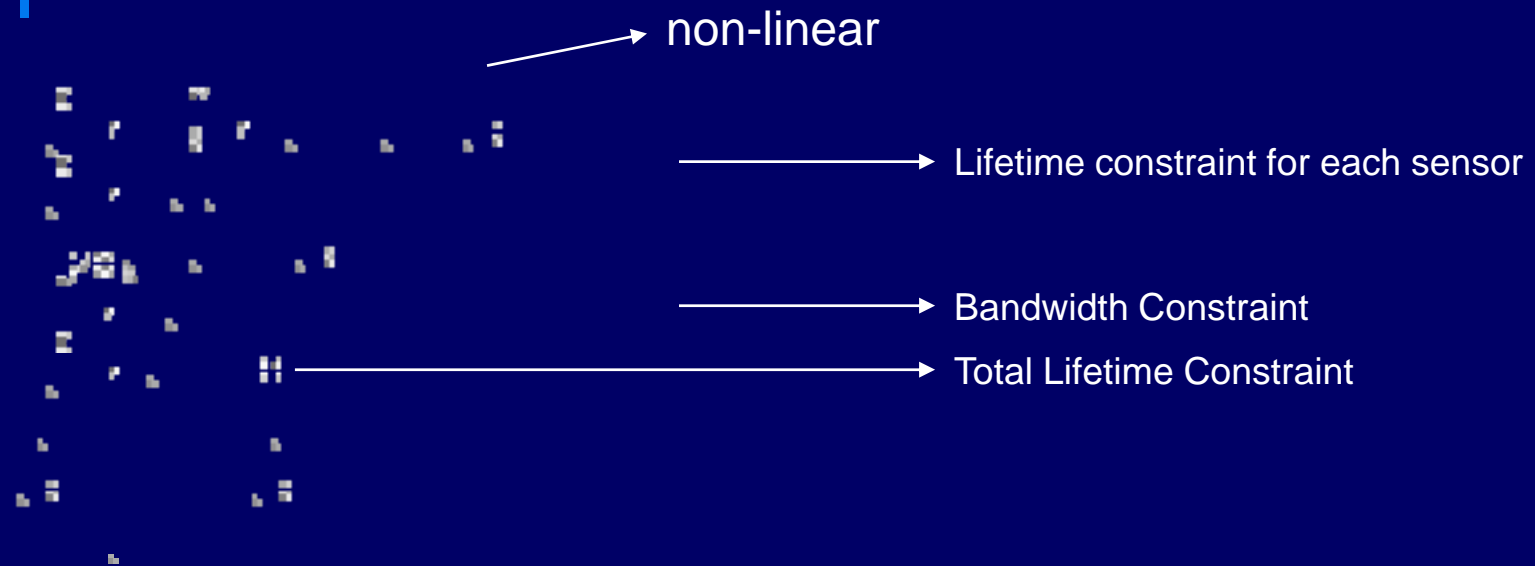


Heuristics for MCBB

— MSCMB: LP-relaxation algorithm

- An LP-relaxation algorithm
- Formulate MCBB into an Integer Linear Programming (IP)

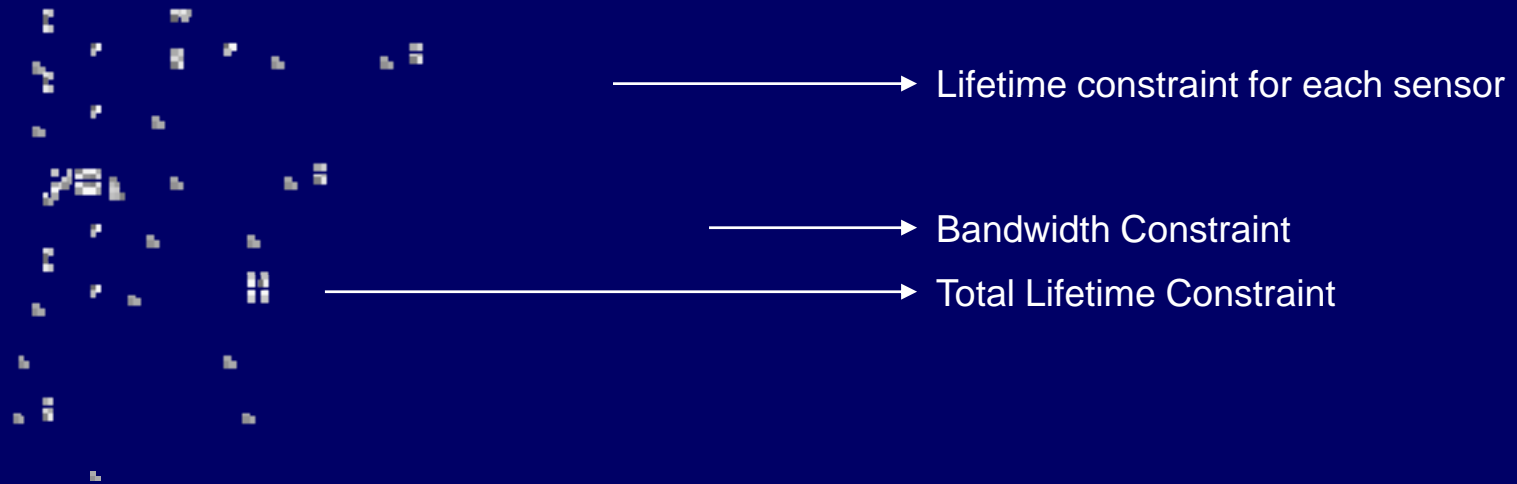
A Integer Programming Formulation of MCBB

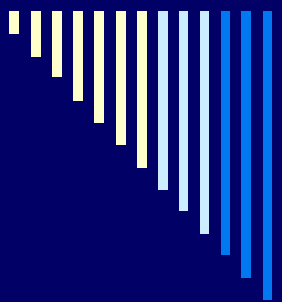


Replace $t_j f_{jk}$ with w_{jk} and replace $x_{ij} f_j$ with y_{ij}



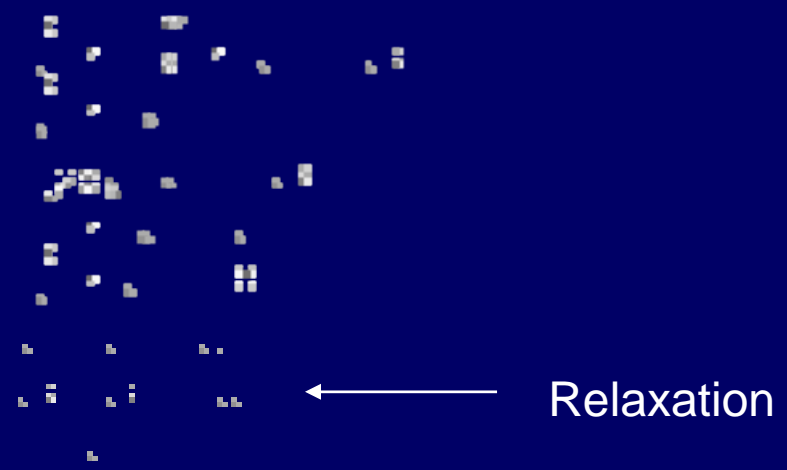
Integer Linear Programming Formulation





Heuristics for MCBB

— MSCMB: LP-relaxation algorithm





Heuristics for MCBB

— MSCMB: LP-relaxation algorithm

- Step 0 : relax the integer constraints on y_{ij} and w_{jk} .
- Step 1 : Solve LP to get the optimal solution y_{ij}^* , w_{jk}^* and z^* .
- Step 2 : Round y_{ij} and w_{jk} according to the optimal value.



Heuristics for MCBB — Greedy-MS algorithm

- Another heuristic based on greedy strategy are also proposed.
 - Step 0 : Set the time granularity $l = T_0/p$
 - Step 1 : Use greedy strategy to iteratively find subsets of sensors with the same time duration l .



Heuristics for MNLB

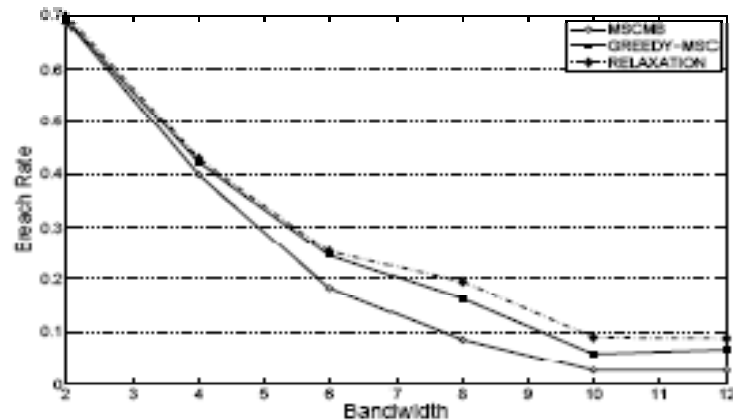
- As we know, both MSCMB and Greedy-MSC algorithm can be used to solve MNLB.
 - MSCMB \S MNLB-LP
 - Greedy-MSC \S MNLB-Greedy



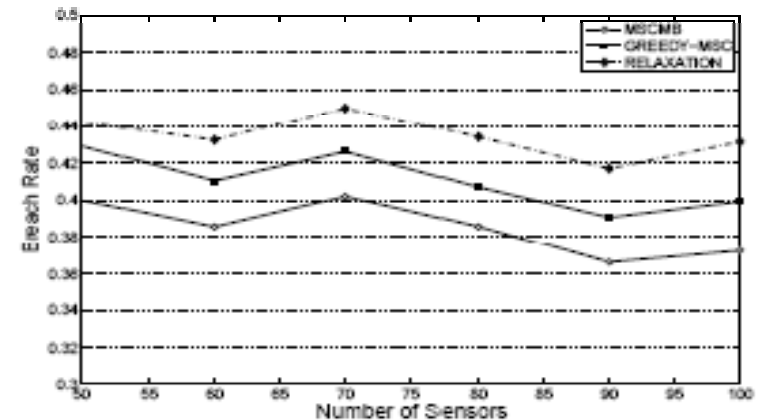
Experimental Performance

- Simulations for MCBB
 - Sensors and targets are uniformly deployed in a 500m by 500m area
 - Default parameters:
 - $n = 50$
 - $m = 30$
 - $W = 4$
 - Sensor range = 150m
 - $T_0 = \lceil n/W \rceil$ ——— for comparison

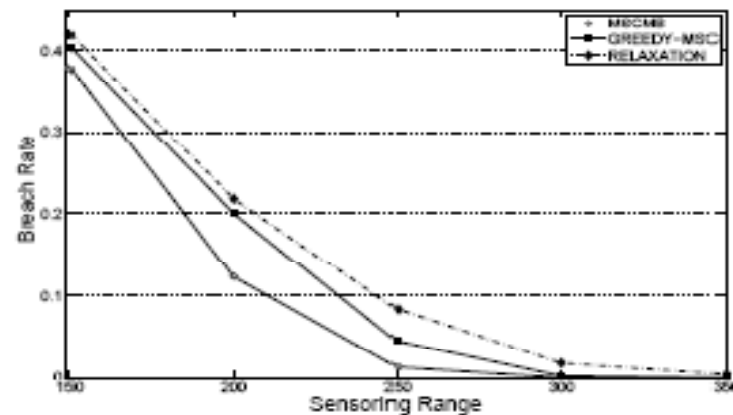
Experimental Performance



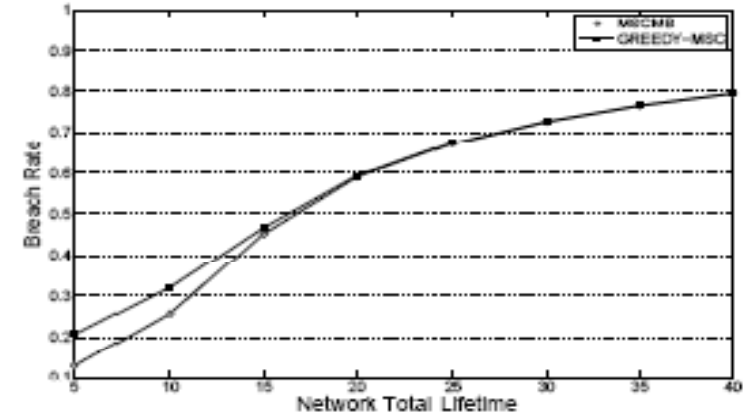
(a) Effect of Bandwidth Constraints



(b) Effect of Sensors Number



(c) Effect of Sensing Range



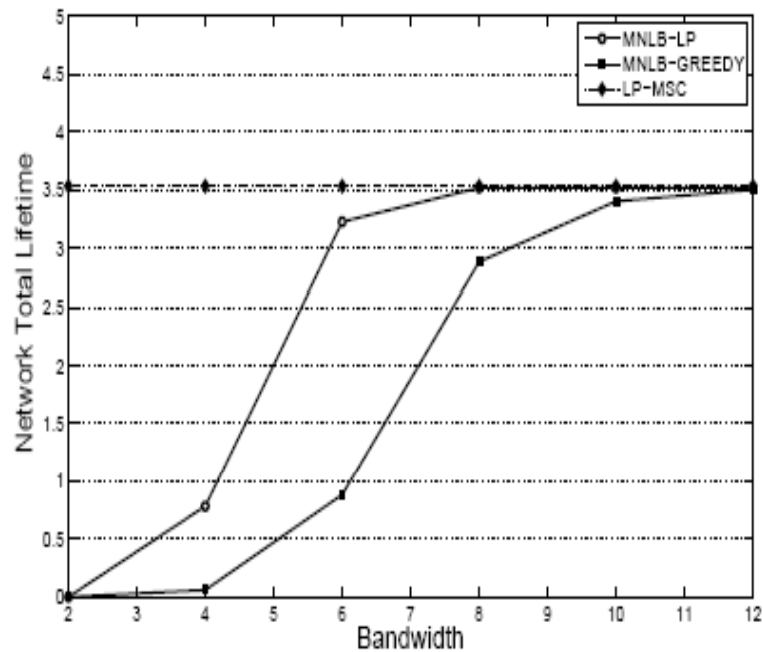
(d) Effect of Network Total Lifetime



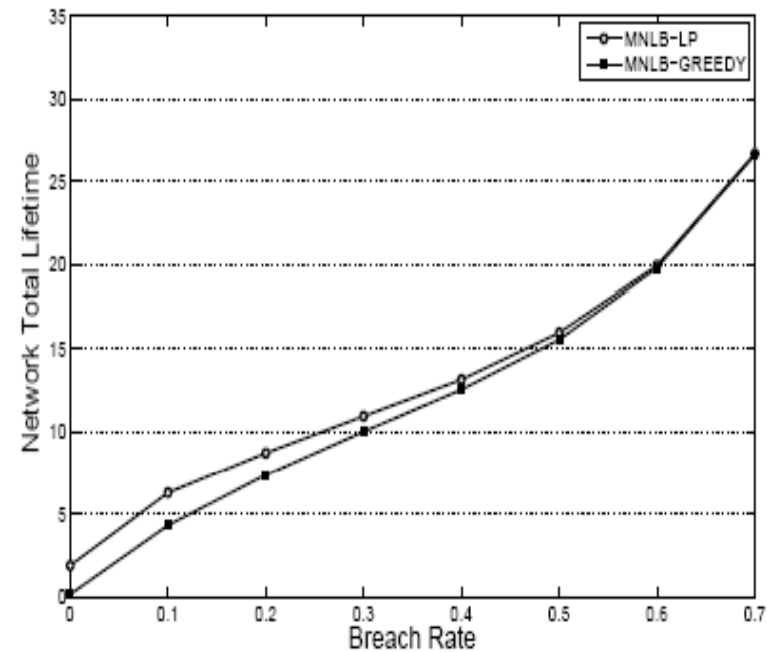
Experimental Performance

- Simulation of MNLB
 - Sensors and targets are uniformly deployed in a 500m by 500m area
 - Default parameters:
 - $n = 50$
 - $m = 30$
 - $W = 4$
 - Sensor range = 150m
 - $BR = 0$

Experimental Performance (cont'd)



(a) Effect of Bandwidth Constraints

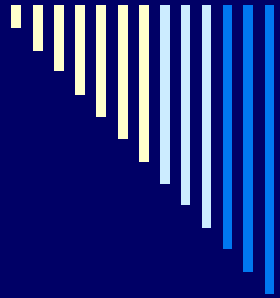


(b) Effect of Breach Rate



Conclusion

- Coverage model with bandwidth constraints are considered: network lifetime and coverage breach.
- A Tradeoff Scheme including MCBB and MNLB are proposed to address the issues.
- A LP-relax algorithm and a greedy heuristic are proposed to solve both problems.
- Simulation results show performances of both of our algorithms as expected.



Q&A

□ Thanks!