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Abstract: One of the essential services offered by a wireless sensor network (WSN) is the tracking of a specified region of interest (RoI). Considering the fact that appearance of holes in the RoI is inevitable due to the inner characteristics of WSNs, random deployment, ecological aspects, and exterior attack, guaranteeing that the RoI is completely and consistently protected is very important. This document looks for to deal with the problem of hole recognition and treatment in mobile WSNs. We talk about the main disadvantages of existing alternatives and we recognize four key components that are crucial for guaranteeing efficient protection in mobile WSNs. These are Identifying the boundary of the RoI, Discovering coverage holes and Calculating their features, Identifying the best focus on places to relocate mobile nodes to fix holes, Distributing mobile nodes to the target locations while reducing the shifting and messaging cost. We recommend lightweight and comprehensive remedy, known as holes detection and healing (HEAL), that addresses all of these aspects. The calculations complexity of HEAL is O(ύ²), where ū is average number of one-hop neighbors. HEAL is a scattered and restricted algorithm that works in two unique stages. The first recognizes the border nodes and find out holes using a lightweight localized method over the Gabriel graph of the network. The second treats the healing of the hole, with novel conception, healing area of hole. We recommend a distributed virtual forces-based local healing approach where only the nodes situated at an appropriate range from the hole will be engaged in the healing process. Through extensive models we show that HEAL deals with holes of various types and dimensions, and provides cost-effective and an precise remedy for hole detection and healing.

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1. Introduction

A wireless sensor network (WSN) consists of little sensors with restricted computational and communication power. By design, sensors are quite delicate and vulnerable to various types of failure, such as unexpected shock triggered by their implementation (air dropping) or reduction of their limited energy sources. This implicit frailty must be regarded as a normal property of the network.

Several flaws can happen in WSNs that damage their desired features leading to the development of different kinds of holes, namely: routing holes, protection holes, earth worm’s holes and performing holes [1]. In this work we are enthusiastic about huge bounded holes, i.e., huge holes that are circumscribed by sensor nodes. In this situation, coverage holes, i.e., places not protected by any node, and communication holes, i.e., places without any nodes, become comparative and will be generally known as holes in the remainder of this document.

One of the essential solutions offered by a WSN is the tracking of a specified region of interest (RoI), where the primary responsibility is sensing the surroundings and communicating the details to the sink. Guaranteeing that the RoI is completely protected at all-time is very essential [2]. However, the appearance of holes in the RoI is inevitable due to the inner characteristics of WSNs, unique implementation, environmental factors, and exterior strikes. Thus, a meeting occurring within these holes is neither recognized nor revealed and, therefore, the primary process of the system will not be finished.

Thus, it is primordial to offer a self-organizing mechanism to identify and restore holes. This document looks for to deal with the issue of hole detection and treatment. Most of the current alternatives use international operations to determine the dimension a big holes and then move a group of cellular sensors to cure the holes. While some existing localized alternatives needs powerful presumptions or even unrealistic ones. The incompleteness of past works motivates our analysis offered here.

We recommend a comprehensive remedy, known as holes detection and healing (HEAL) that has a very low complexity and prevent some disadvantages seen in past performs. HEAL is an allocated and nearby algorithm that operates in two unique stages. The first stage includes three subtasks; hole recognition, hole finding (HF) and border detection. Compared with before initiatives, we recommend a distributed and nearby hole detection algorithm (DHD) that operates over the Gabriel graph (GG) of the system. DHD has a very low complexity and offers with holes of various forms and dimensions despite the nodes submission and density.

The second stage snacks the hole treatment with novel idea, hole healing area (HHA). It includes two sub-tasks; hole healing area dedication and node moving. We propose a allocated exclusive forces-based regional healing approach in accordance with the healing area of hole, in which the forces will be helpful. This permits a local healing where only the nodes situated at an appropriate range from the hole will be engaged in the recovery procedure.

The primary contribution of this work is the design and evaluation of HEAL, an allocated, nearby and
comprehensive two-phase method, that can successfully estimate and improve the place protection in a mobile WSN. This paper makes the following particular initiatives. First, a collaborative procedure, known as distributed hole detection (DHD), is suggested to recognize the boundary nodes and find out holes. We have performed comprehensive simulations to confirm DHD. Second, we existing a virtual forces-based hole healing algorithm. Compared with existing algorithms, our algorithm relocates only the adequate nodes within the quickest times with the cheapest. Experimental outcomes displays that HEAL provide a cost effective and an precise remedy for hole recognition and healing in mobile WSNs.

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 looks at the Literature Review. While Section 2.A consist of Hole and Border Detection. Section 2.B presents Coverage Enhancement and Hole Healing Section 3 concludes the paper.

2. Literature Review

There has been a lot related research on the hole and border detection problem.

A) Hole and Border Detection

In this document [14], we have suggested a distributed technique to discover the border nodes attaching the holes and the frontier of the system by utilizing only connection details and without any location details. We develop four stages in our technique. They are the closing nodes selection stage, rough border cycles recognition stage, exact border nodes finding stage and servicing of limitations stage. Simulator results show that our technique has higher precise rate on selecting correct border nodes than past perform. Besides, our technique has less control message overhead and simulation time than past perform when variety of holes are larger than 6.

Authors in [3] analyzed the problem of discovering topological holes in WSN with no localization details. They provided a distributed plan that is in accordance with the interaction topology chart. A node chooses whether it is on the border of an opening by evaluating its level with the average level of its 2-hop others who live nearby. Not all border nodes can be recognized properly by this criterion. Indeed, for a huge WSN with few holes this technique is not efficient [3].

An algebraic topological technique using homology concept finds single overlay coverage holes without coordinates [4],[5]. Ghrist and Muhammad [4] employed a central control algorithm that needs connection details for all nodes in the RoI. For N nodes, time complexity is O(N2). For [5], it is O(HD3), where D is the most of other active nodes that overlap a node’s detecting area, and H is the worst-case variety of repetitive nodes in a huge hole, with H ≥ D. In [5], the complexity does not depend on the overall size of the system, whereas the homology algorithm encounters severe difficulties with heavy systems. Additionally, the concept forwarding overhead can be impractically huge, since the algorithm is central.

Funke in [6] provided a heuristic for discovering holes in accordance with the topology of the interaction chart. The heuristic calculations is not nearly as it needs the calculations of distance areas over the whole system In a more latest document [7], Funke and Klein described a linear-time algorithm for hole recognition. They require that the interaction chart follows the unit hard drive chart model. Compared to the heuristic strategy provided in [6], the algorithm does a little bit worse. Furthermore, when reducing the node density, the algorithm smashes down more and more.

Fekete et al. [8] provided a coordinate-free technique to recognize limitations in WSNs. They believe a consistent node distribution in non-hole areas. In a latest document [9], the same authors provided a deterministic strategy for border recognition that does not depend on a consistent node submission but needs high node density. Wang et al. [10] described allocated algorithm to discover the border nodes by using only connection details. They manipulate a special structure of the quickest path tree to identify the lifestyle of holes. The authors did not provide a complexity research but the suggested criterion depends on a recurring network flooding.

Fang et al. [11] suggested the Bound Hole algorithm using the right-hand rule to recognize nodes on the border of geometrical holes. Kroller et al. [12] suggested an overall structure for self-organization depending on topological concerns and geometrical packaging justifications to determine the border nodes and the topology of the whole system. Although, authors make few presumptions, they deal with relatively complicated combinatorial components, such as flowers.

Shirsat and Bhargava [13] provided hole border recognition algorithm supposing the comparative geographical information of 2-hop others who live nearby. The suggested algorithm takes a local best-effort strategy and needs synchronization among nodes.

B) Coverage Enhancement and Hole Healing

C.Y. Chang [15] resolves the coverage difficulty by utilizing a moving machine. They illustrate a tracking mechanism and a robot repairing algorithm. The tracking methodology leaves the robot’s footmark on sensors by which they can find out better routes for transferring repairing requests to the robot whereas the repairing algorithm builds an efficient way that passes through all failure regions.

Li et al. [17] presents a group of localized robot- aided sensor repositioning algorithms, with the help of which mobile robots lift up passive sensors and distribute them to encountered sensing holes.

Nadeem et al. [16] projected MAPC, a mobility-assisted probabilistic coverage for increasing and preserving the region coverage by transferring mobile sensor nodes to purposeful positions in the exposed area.
HEAL depends on a localized healing process that:
1) Minimizes the WSNs’ resources utilization
2) Increase the speed of the healing process
3) Conserve as much as possible the initial WSN topology.
The number of nodes solicited in the healing process depends on the holes attributes. In addition, only the nodes situated at an suitable distance from the hole will be concerned for the healing process.

3. Conclusion

This paper has anticipated and implemented a lightweight and widespread two-stage procedure, HEAL, for guarantee area coverage employing a mobile WSN. The procedure uses a scattered DHD to identify holes in the network. The calculation complication of DHD is $O(\bar{\nu}^2)$, where $\bar{\nu}$ is the average number of 1-hop neighbors. Measure up to the presented schemes, DHD has a incredibly small difficulty and deal with holes of different type and dimension in spite of the nodes sharing and thickness. By exploiting the virtual forces conception, our technique rearranges only the sufficient nodes within the little time and at the minimum cost.

Through the evaluation of performance, we legalize HEAL, using different principle and proved that it identify and heals the holes despite their quantity or amount with less mobility in different situations. The appraisal results reveal that HEAL offer a cost-effective and an accurate result for hole discovery and healing in mobile WSNs.

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