

#### Strategic Sensing and Resource Allocation for Pipeline Network Resilience

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#### FORCES research

#### Numerous applications in oil and gas industry

- Optimal sensor placement for failure diagnostics
- UAS-enabled sensing and inspection
- Resilient control in the face of disruptions
- Analytics driven failure models of critical assets
- Related issues:
  - Incentives for utility (regulated monopolist) in investing in monitoring technology and resources
  - Cyber-physical security attacks
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# Monitoring large-scale networks facing disruptions

- Resource allocation problem for monitoring infrastructure networks facing disruptions (both random & adversarial)
- Students: Mathieu Dahan (CSE PhD), Andrew Lee (TR PhD)
- FORCES collaborators: Lina Sela, Waseem Abbas, Xenofon Koutsokos
- Papers: Automatica 16, ACM BuildSys 16, Allerton 16, ICCPS 17, ICUAS 17, Submitted to Operations Research
- Industry collaboration: 3 LGO Students interned at PG&E and 1 LGO student interning at National Grid
- (Potential) Impact:
  - Allocation and tasking of sensing systems to identify failures and minimize time to repair in large-scale water and gas networks
  - PG&E's seismic damage prediction model by incorporating dynamic information from sensing systems and response crews

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# Monitoring large-scale networks facing disruptions

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#### • Key features

- Strategic interaction
- Resource limitations
- Very large (combinatorial) action sets
- Dynamic and asymmetric information

#### **Example settings**

- Hide-and-seek games
- Network security

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- Search and surveillance
- Infrastructure defense

**Our focus:** Allocation of sensing resources in adversarial environments

- Incorporate a generic sensing model
- Ensure desirable performance guarantee (detection rate)
- Compute optimal (equilibrium) allocation

# Network monitoring problem under strategic disruptions

- Large-scale infrastructure network facing strategic disruptions (attacks)
- Sensing model: detect or not based on location of sensor and components
- Attacker: simultaneous edge disruptions
- Operator: (random) sensing over subset of nodes
- Objective: Maximize # of detections (operator) Maximize # of undetected events (attacker)

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- **Formulation:** Mathematical Program with Equilibrium Constraints (MPEC) Minimize # of number of sensors to guarantee that
- Expected detection rate > threshold in *any* equilibrium of induced game
- Find an equilibrium

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#### Our approach

- Study equilibrium properties of operator-attacker game
- Construct an ε-Nash equilibrium based on solutions of
  - Minimum Set Cover [MSC] problem: operator strategy is to randomize over MSC
  - Maximum Set Packing [MSP] problem: attacker strategy is to randomize over MSP
- Compute an approximate solution of the MPEC:
  - # of sensors with optimality gap
  - Guarantee(s) on detection performance

#### Main advantages:

- Scalable to very large networks
- Small optimality gap in most practical cases
- When |MSC|=|MSP|: We obtain an exact solution, and generalize some classical results on hide-and-seek and network security games
- Does not require an exact knowledge of the attacker's resources

#### MSC-MSP based strategy profile

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O MSC: minimum set of nodes that cover all edges

#### Main ideas

- Main case of interest: large network and limited resources
- (# of sensing resources) < |MSC| and (# of attack resources) < |MSP|
- Two tools:
- Strategic equivalence of zero-sum games
  - Linear programming (LP) duality, but LPs are too large to compute NE
- MSC (coverage) and MSP (spread)
  - Weak duality; Both problems can be solved using integer programs

#### **Three techniques:**

- Construct MSC-MSP based strategy profile
- Exploit properties of sensing model:
  - Monotone submodular (with respect to sensor placements)
  - Additive (with respect to attacks)
- NE properties
  - Both players necessarily randomize
  - Each player uses all available resources
  - Sensing strategies in equilibrium "cover" the entire network

#### Tasking mobile sensors for network monitoring

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### Illustration

Notation	Definition	
$t_0$	Time of dispatch	
S	Set of all yards, $s \in S$	

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### Illustration

Yard

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#### **Two Problems**

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# Formulation for the RVRP

Find optimal route(s) for the repair vehicle(s) to the localization sets.

• **Objective:** Minimize the maximum amount of time elapsed from time of failure alert to time of repair among all localization sets

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 $T_{lk}$ : Time at which repair vehicle arrives at location  $0_k$  from  $0_l$  $X_{lk}^s$ : 1 if a repair vehicle from yard s goes from  $0_l$  to  $0_k$ , 0 otherwise

## RVRP

- Objective: Minimize the maximum amount of time elapsed from time of failure alert to time of repair among all localization sets
- Subject to:
  - No more than N<sub>s</sub> repair vehicles dispatched from each yard
  - Flow conservation constraints
  - Each localization set is visited by only one repair vehicle
  - Constraints to bound the time of arrival at yard or localization set
  - Update time of arrival by taking into account the vehicle travel time as well as the time to repair and the optimal sUAS exploration time for each localization set
  - Routing constraints imposed by transportation network

## SNEP

- Objective: Minimize the maximum time to observe all network components, over *R* available sUASs.
- Subject to:
  - No more than *R* sUASs are used
  - Depart and return to temporary base  $O_k$
  - Each monitoring location visited at most once in  $L_k$
  - sUAS can monitor a subset of network components from each monitoring location; each network component is monitored at least once
  - Allow multi-trips; flight travel time constraints for each trip (incorporates recharging)
  - Total cumulative travel time for all trips by each sUAS
  - Airspace restrictions, communication requirements, and other safety considerations
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### **Computational Study**

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#### SNEP

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#### Set up:

- Temporary base  $0_k$  at node 16
- Maximum time for battery life: 1 hour; Time to charge battery (if needed): 5 min
- sUAS can monitor adjacent edges incident to node
- sUAS travels along edges of network (can be generalized)
- Shortest path travel times between each pair of nodes
- Objective is to minimize the maximum amount of time (among all sUASs) to explore  $L_k$

### **Computational Study**

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# **Results and Insights**

- Solutions sensitive to failure alert duration prior to dispatch,  $\theta_k$
- RVRP solution sensitive to  $\xi_k^*$ .
- Computational bottleneck with determining  $\xi_k^*$ 
  - Heuristic approach

# Summary

- Main Contributions
  - Operational end to end framework for infrastructure monitoring and inspection using sUASs
  - Development of MIP models for the RVRP and SNEP
- Other applications: Disaster and Emergency Response
- Relation with other FORCES research:
  - Safety preserving learning and control (Tomlin)
  - Airspace regulations (Balakrishnan and Tomlin)
  - Cyber-Physical security (Koutsoukos, Sastry)