



Ρομποτικά Συστήματα

Ενότητα 14: Area Coverage control techniques

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Τμήμα ΗΜ&ΤΥ

Σκοποί ενότητας

- Σκοπός της ενότητας είναι η παρουσίαση και εξοικείωση με τα ακόλουθα στοιχεία ρομποτικών συστημάτων:
- Area Coverage control techniques



Περιεχόμενα ενότητας

- Area Coverage control techniques



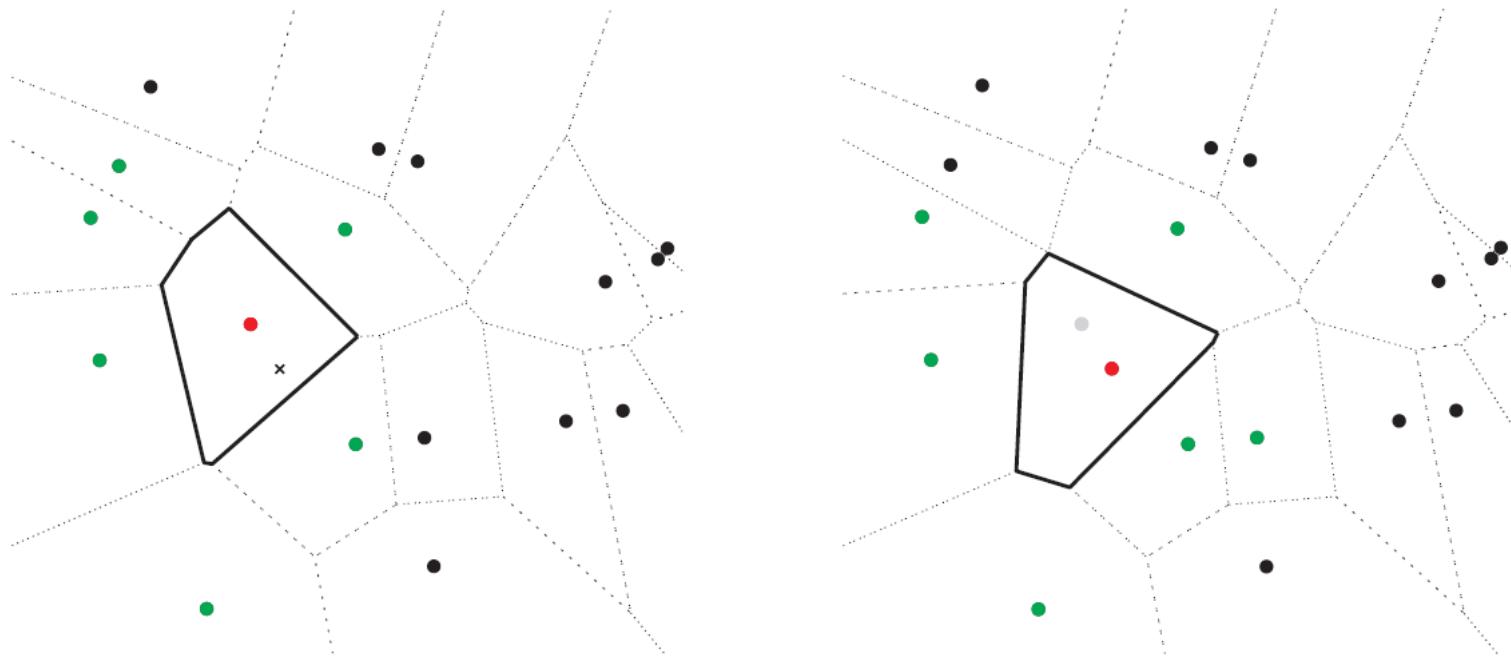
Coordination Scheme

- Move nodes one-by-one: the total coverage area \mathcal{H} of Ω is non-decreasing
- Node-to-move should have sufficient spatial information of the Voronoi cells that will be affected
- Assume node i is the node-to-move in time-step k
- Thus, the only affected Voronoi cells are those in the neighborhood of $i \hookrightarrow$ Delaunay neighbors $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{N}_i^k$



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Εικόνα 1: Alteration of the Delaunay neighbors of a node caused by the motion of the latter



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- Node $j \in \mathcal{N}_i^k$ leaves set: $j \in \mathcal{N}_i^k \setminus \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1}$, the edge of the moving node's Voronoi cell that corresponds to that node degenerates into a vertex
- Node $j \notin \mathcal{N}_i^k$ enters set: $j \in \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \setminus \mathcal{N}_i^k$, then a vertex of V_i will evolve into two vertices after its motion, adding Δ_{ij} into the set of its Voronoi edges
- Suppose the possible motion of i @ step k restricted in convex compact $\mathcal{W}_i^k \subset \mathcal{V}_i^k$: $x_i^k, x_i^{k+1} \in \mathcal{W}_i^k$. We define the set containing union of k step Delaunay neighbors and node-to-move and $k + 1$ step possible Delaunay neighbors as:

$$\mathcal{F}_i^k = \mathcal{N}_i^k \cup \{i\} \bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in \mathcal{W}_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1}$$



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- Lemma 1: The set \mathcal{F}_i^k contains the nodes of the network whose Voronoi cell is possibly affected by the motion of node i , given the restriction of $x_i^{k+1} \in \mathcal{W}_i^k$
- Communication assumption: The node-to-move i is able to exchange information at each time-step k with the nodes in the set \mathcal{F}_i^k for a given subset $\mathcal{W}_i^k \subset \mathcal{V}_i^k$
- Let $q^\ell|_I$ the evaluation (by node-to-move) of arbitrary variable q at step ℓ based on information from nodes in set $I \subseteq I_n$
- The r – limited Voronoi cell of node $j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k$ evaluated by i at step k is denoted $V_j^r|_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}$



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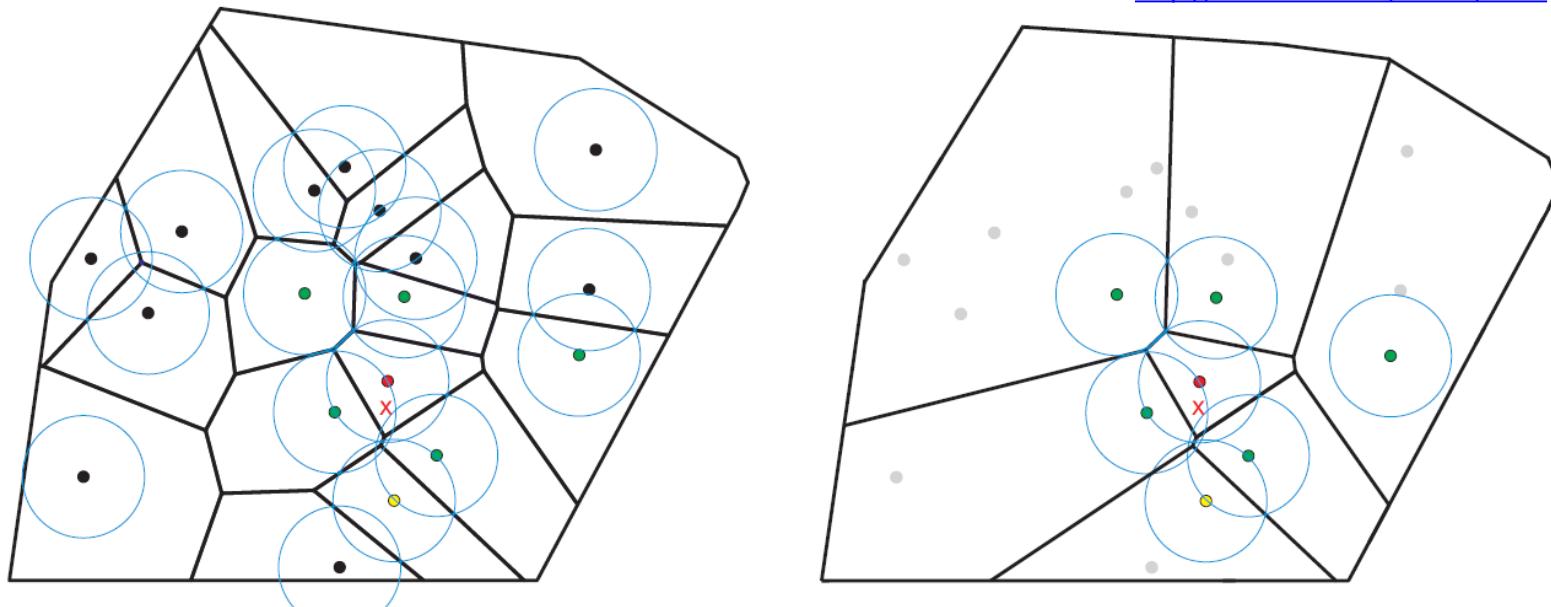
- Coverage optimization: Node i should move at a point x_i^{k+1} such that network's coverage will be increased at the maximum possible rate $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{H}^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} - \mathcal{H}^k|_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}$

Red x: New position

Green: Delaunay neighbors at time k

Yellow: Future Delaunay neighbors at time k+1

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Εικόνα 2: Illustrative example for definition of $V_j^r|_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}$ sets



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- Lemma 2: For each node $j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k$, it holds that

$$\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,\ell}) = \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,\ell} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^\ell \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,\ell}), \text{ where } \ell \in \{k, k+1\}$$

Proof: Let us first examine the case $\ell = k$. Considering an arbitrary node $j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k$, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(C_j) &= \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) + \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k}) = \\ &= \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \cap \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) + \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k})\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, $\mathcal{A}(C_j)$ can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(C_j) &= \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \cap \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) + \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) \\ &= \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \cap \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) + \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k})\end{aligned}$$



since nodes $m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \cap \mathcal{F}_i^k$ are known to i (which performs the evaluation)

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Combining the above expressions results in:

$$\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) = \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) + (\mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k}))$$

and $U_j^{\Omega,k} = C_j \setminus \Omega \sim$ only on sensing region and pattern \hookrightarrow

$$\mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) = \mathcal{A}(U_j^{\Omega,k}) \text{ which proves the lemma}$$



Coordination Scheme

- Theorem 1: If the node-to-move i has spatial information of the nodes in \mathcal{F}_i^k , then evaluation of the network's coverage-increase by ignoring the rest nodes in the network is the same as if the latter had been evaluated supposing existence of all the network's nodes ↳

$$\mathcal{H}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} - \mathcal{H}^k |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} = \mathcal{H}^{k+1} - \mathcal{H}^k$$

Proof: Considering final equation of previous lecture ↳

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}^{k+1} - \mathcal{H}^k &= \sum_{j \in I_n} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) \right] = \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) \right] + \sum_{j \in I_n \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}) \right]\end{aligned}$$

\emptyset from Lemma 1



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Substitute $\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k}), \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1})$ from Lemma 2:

$$\mathcal{H}^{k+1} - \mathcal{H}^k = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) \right] - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left\{ \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}_j^k \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k+1}) - \mathcal{A}(U_j^{m,k}) \right] \right\}$$

\emptyset , because it consists of the alteration of in the unexploited regions of the nodes in \mathcal{F}_i^k that lay in the Voronoi cells of nodes that belong in $\mathcal{N}_j^k \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k$

Finally, since node i does not have info of existence of nodes $I_n \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k$,

$$\mathcal{H}^{k+1} - \mathcal{H}^k = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) \right] + \sum_{j \in I_n \setminus \mathcal{F}_i^k} \left[\mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) - \mathcal{A}(V_j^{r,k} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}) \right] = \mathcal{H}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} - \mathcal{H}^k |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}$$



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- At this point assume circular sensing area of
$$W_i^k = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|x - x_i^k\| \leq \alpha d(x_i^k, V_i^k) \right\}$$
Where $0 < \alpha \ll 1$ and $d(x, M) := \inf \{ \|x - y\| : y \in M \}$
- The optimal position x_i^{*k+1} is achieved through numerical optimization of:

$$\text{find } x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k :$$

$$\text{maximize } \left\{ \mathcal{H}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} - \mathcal{H}^k |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} \right\}$$

$$\text{subject to: } \mathcal{H}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k} > \mathcal{H}^k |_{\mathcal{F}_i^k}$$

- Then the control action can be selected as:

$$u_i^k = x_i^{*k+1} - x_i^k, \|u_i\| \leq \alpha$$



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- Let $\mathcal{R}_i^k(\mathbf{I})$ and $\mathcal{R}_i^k(\mathbf{I})_{wcs}$ min communication radius of i at step k in order to exchange info from a centralized and decentralized point of view respectively
- The minimum range for centralized is:

$$R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^k \right) = 2 \max \left\{ d \left(x_i^k, \Delta_{ij}^k \right) : j \in \mathcal{N}_i^k \right\} = \max \left\{ \|x_i^k - x_j^k\| : j \in \mathcal{N}_i^k \right\}$$

This numerical procedure ends when:

$$R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^k \right)_{wcs} = 2 \max \left\{ \|x_i^k - v_{i,j}^k\| : j \in I_N(V_i^k) \right\}$$

- Thus, the proposed algorithm is formed as follows:



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- 1: \diamond *Goal:* Identify current Delaunay neighbors and Voronoi cell
- 2: $R_i^k \leftarrow 0, S_i^k \leftarrow \emptyset$
- 3: $\hat{V}_i^k \leftarrow \Omega, \hat{\mathcal{N}}_i^k \leftarrow \emptyset$
- 4: **while** $R_i^k \leq 2 \max \left\{ \|x_i^k - \hat{v}_{i,j}^k\| : j \in I_N(\hat{V}_i^k) \right\}$ **and** $S_i^k \subset \Omega$ **do**
- 5: increase R_i^k
- 6: update S_i^k
- 7: **if** node j detected **then**
- 8: $\hat{\mathcal{N}}_i^k \leftarrow \hat{\mathcal{N}}_i^k \cup j$
- 9: update \hat{V}_i^k
- 10: **end if**
- 11: **end while**
- 12: $V_i^k \leftarrow \hat{V}_i^k$
- 13: isolate \mathcal{N}_i^k from the set $\hat{\mathcal{N}}_i^k$

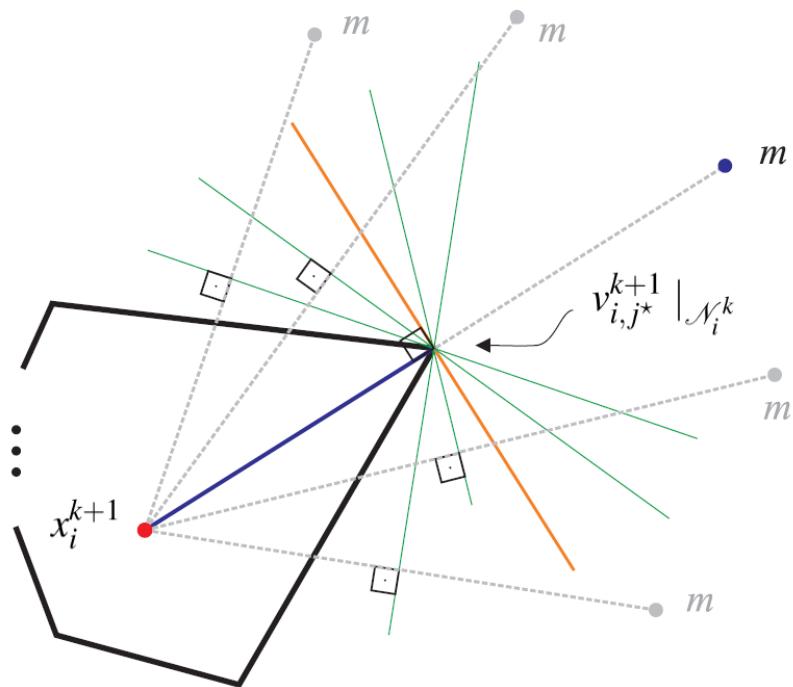


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- New target: Ensure connectivity of i with $\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1}$, from a decentralized point of view
- ↳ worst case scenario:
 $m \in I_n$ enters \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} at x_i^{k+1} . If h_{ij} the equally dividing line
$$h_{ij} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \|x - x_i\| = \|x - x_j\|\}, \quad i, j \in I_n, \quad i \neq j$$
- Moreover, let $v_{i,j^*}^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}$ be the farthest vertex of $V_i^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}$,
where:
$$j^* = \arg \max \left\{ \|x_i^{k+1} - v_{i,j}^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}\| : j \in I_{N(V_i^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{N}_i^k})} \right\}$$
- The worst case scenario for the position of node m is when it lays along the line that connects x_i^{k+1} and $v_{i,j^*}^{k+1}|_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}$



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- This worst-case for m is expressed as:

$$x_m^{k+1} = x_i^{k+1} + 2 \left(v_{i,j^*}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{N}_i^k} - x_i^{k+1} \right)$$

Εικόνα 3: Worst case scenario for the existence of a node m that is to enter \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1}

- Then, the adequate communication range for x is:

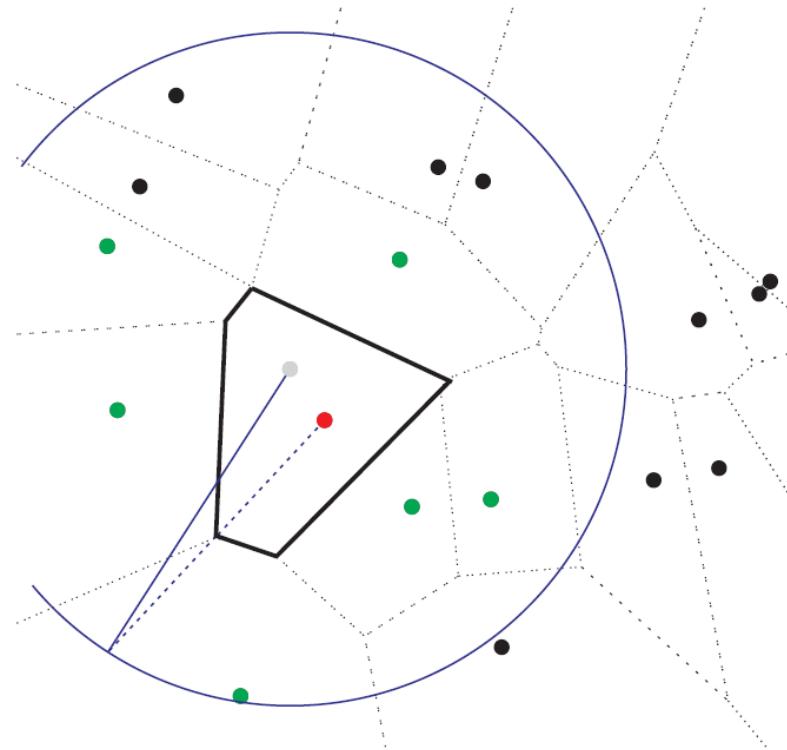
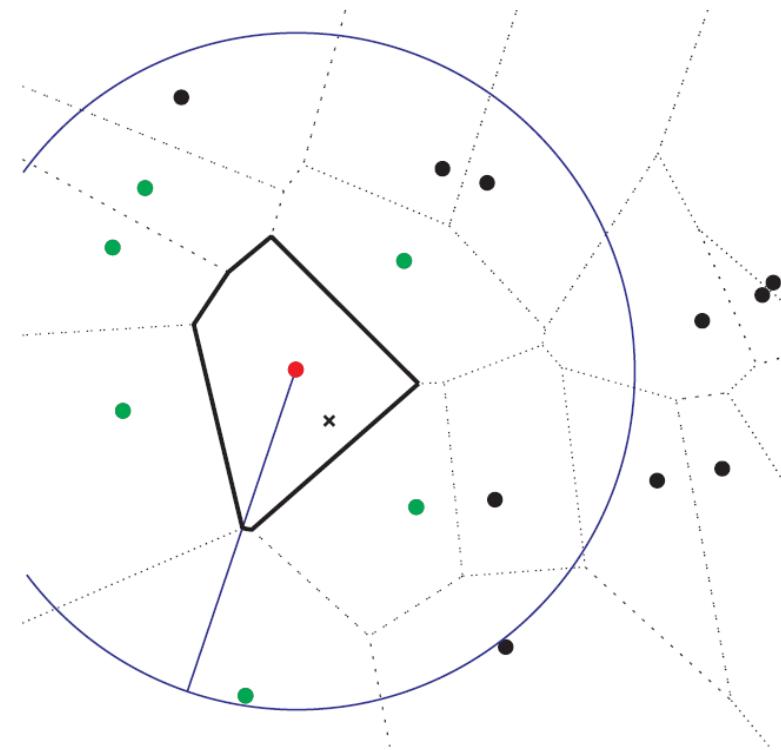
$$R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{wcs} = \left\| x_i^k - \left(x_i^{k+1} + 2 \left(v_{i,j^*}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{N}_i^k} - x_i^{k+1} \right) \right) \right\| = \left\| \left(x_i^k + x_i^{k+1} \right) - 2 v_{i,j^*}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{N}_i^k} \right\|$$



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*Blue circle is the min communication radius



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- Final conclusion(Corollary):

The communication radius of node i at step k in order to guarantee connectivity with both current and all possible future Delaunay neighbors, should be at least

$$R_i^k \left(\mathcal{F}_i^k \right)_{\text{wcs}} = \max \left\{ R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^k \right)_{\text{wcs}}, R_i^k \left(\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}} \right\}$$

- The derived algorithm is formed as follows:

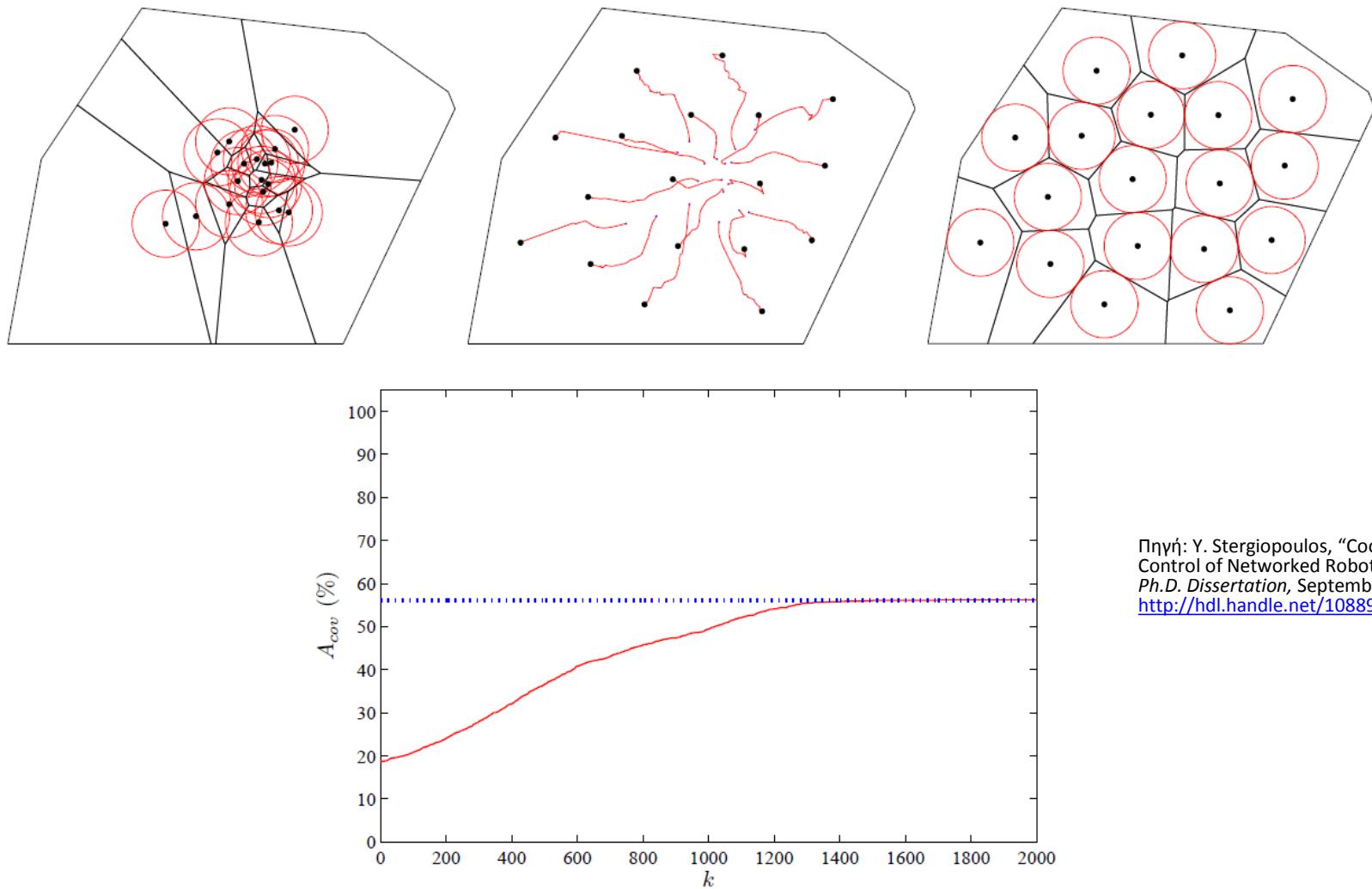


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- 1: \diamond *Goal:* Identify nodes whose Voronoi cells are possibly affected
- 2: $R_i^k \left(\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}} \leftarrow 0$
- 3: identify \mathcal{N}_i^k and V_i^k via Algorithm 1
- 4: perform gridding on W_i^k
- 5: **for** each $x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k$ **do**
- 6: evaluate $V_i^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}$
- 7: evaluate $v_{i,j^*}^{k+1} |_{\mathcal{N}_i^k}$
- 8: evaluate $R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}}$
- 9: $R_i^k \left(\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}} \leftarrow \max \left\{ R_i^k \left(\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}}, R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}} \right\}$
- 10: **end for**
- 11: $R_i^k \left(\mathcal{F}_i^k \right)_{\text{wcs}} \leftarrow \max \left\{ R_i^k \left(\mathcal{N}_i^k \right)_{\text{wcs}}, R_i^k \left(\bigcup_{x_i^{k+1} \in W_i^k} \mathcal{N}_i^{k+1} \right)_{\text{wcs}} \right\}$
- 12: update S_i^k
- 13: identify \mathcal{F}_i^k



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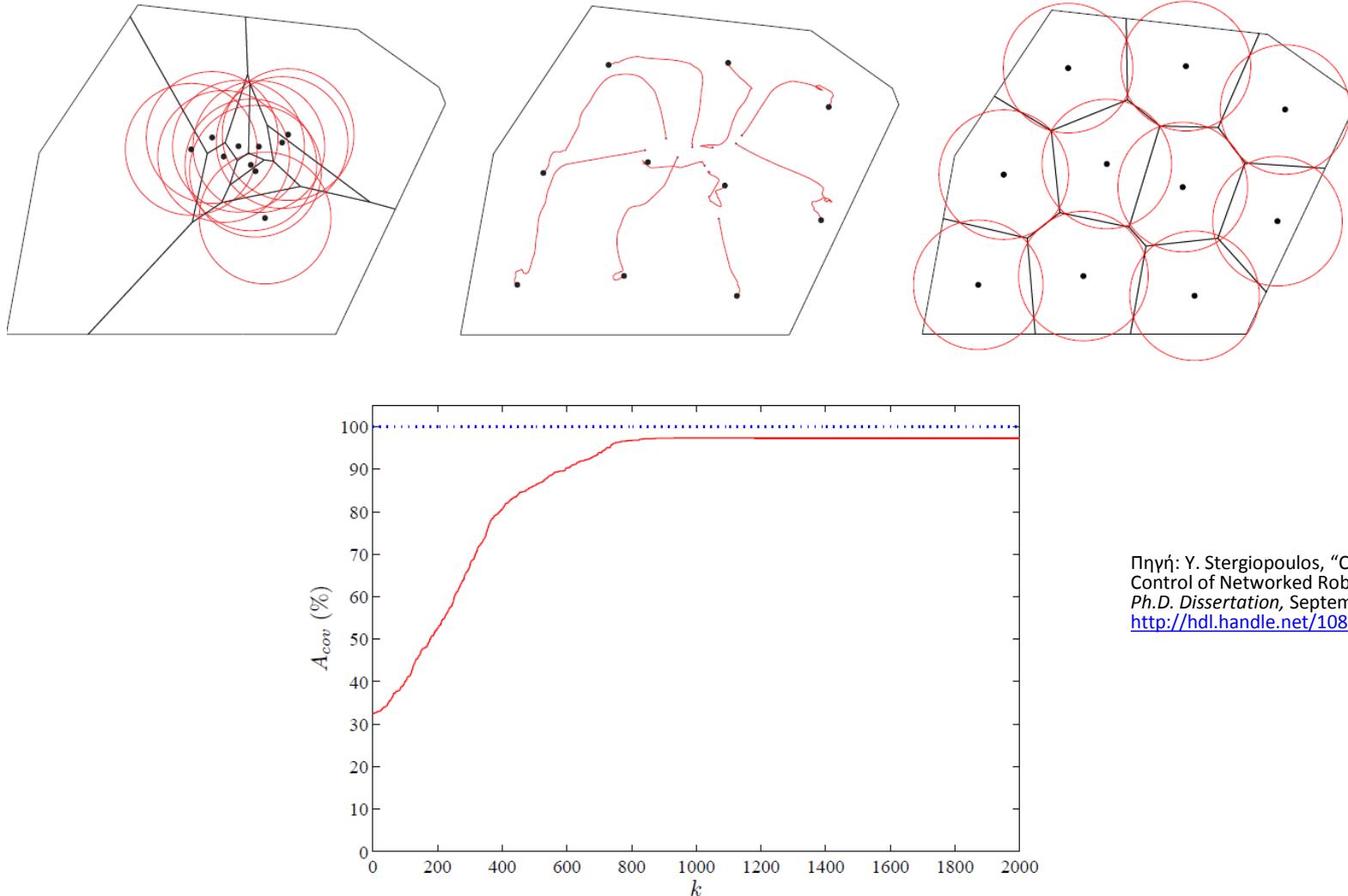


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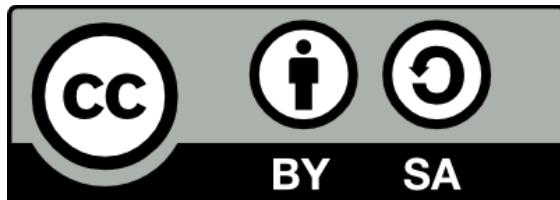
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