

# Analysis of Quality of Surveillance in Fusion-based Sensor Networks

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  - Limitations of current studies on coverage & delay

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# Mission-critical Sensing Applications



SensIT @ UW  
75 WINS nodes detect AAV  
[Duarte 2004]

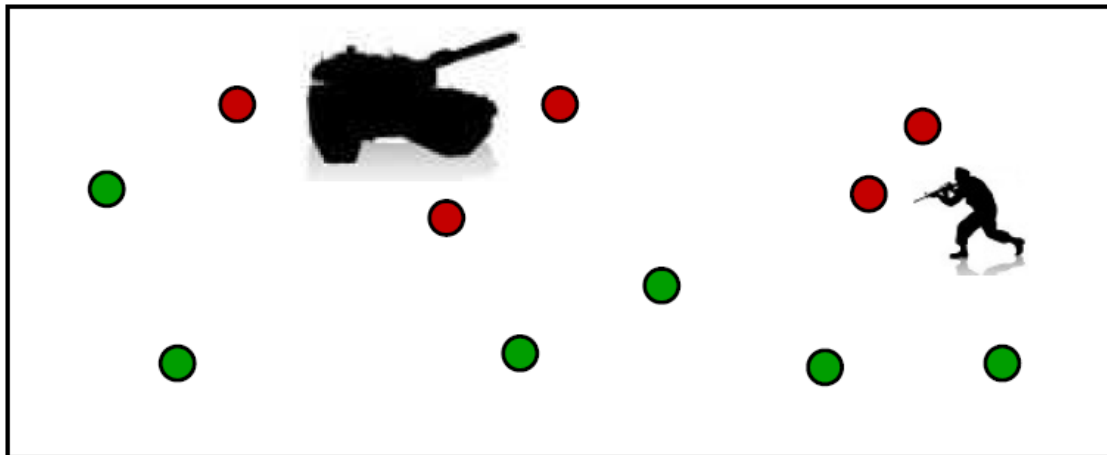


VigilNet @ UV  
scale to 1000 nodes  
<http://www.cs.virginia.edu/wsn/vigilnet/>

- Resource-constrained sensor nodes
- Large spatial deployment region
- Stringent QoS requirements
  - **Short detection delay**, e.g., 5 seconds
  - **Low false alarm rate**, e.g., 1%

# Target Detection Delay

- Fundamental metric of real-time surveillance applications
  - Timeliness of the system
  - **Instant detection:** any target is detected once it appears
- Network density to achieve instant detection
  - Critical cost metric
  - Reducing deployment cost
  - Extending network lifetime



# State of the Art

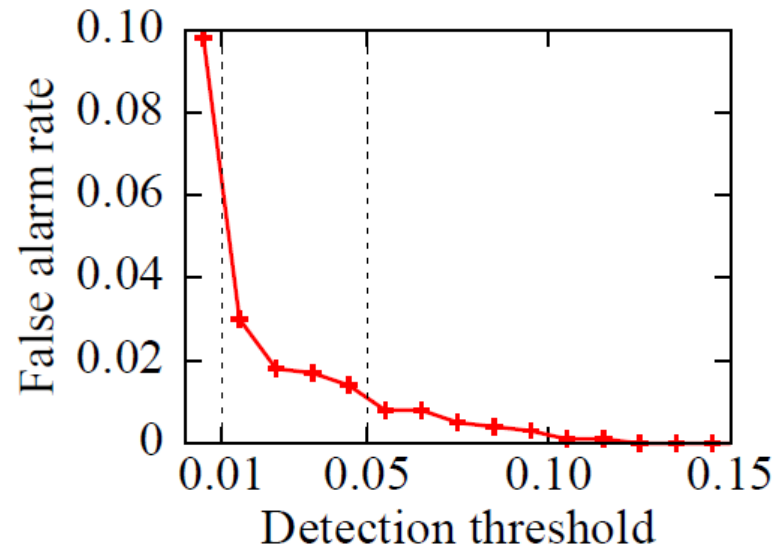
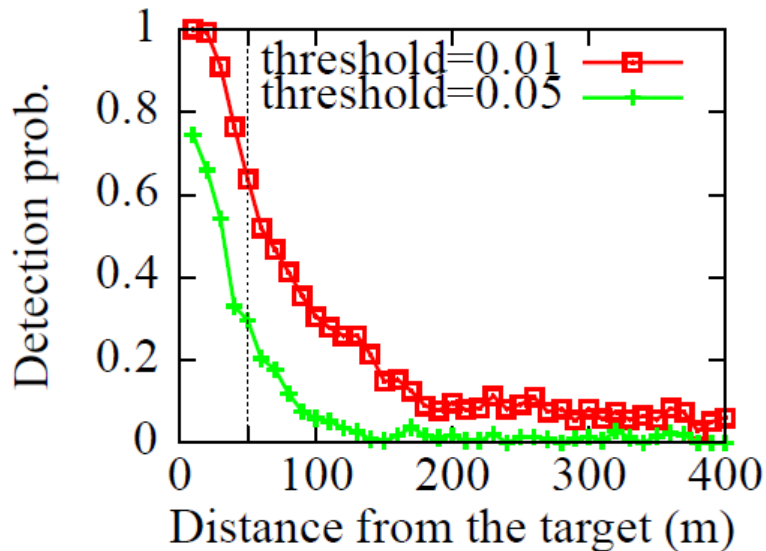
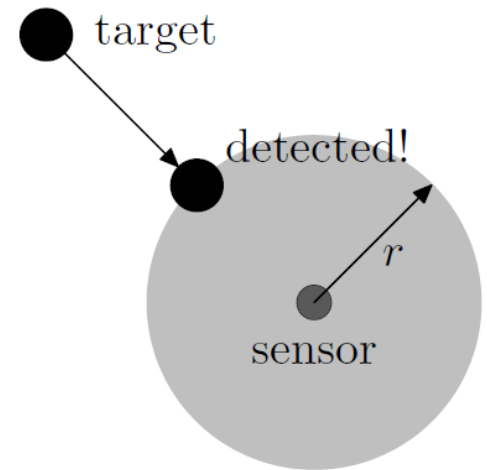
- Numerous studies on coverage and detection delay
- Most existing results are based on simplistic models
  - The (in)famous disc model
  - Ignore sensing uncertainties and sensor collaboration
- Collaborative signal processing theories
  - Focus on small-scale networks
  - Make performance analysis difficult
- Our recent work accounts for stochastic sensing and sensor collaboration
  - MobiCom'09: sensing coverage
  - **RTSS'09: detection delay**

# Extensions

	<b>RTSS'09</b>	<b>This work</b>
<b>Signal decay</b>	A specific inverse-square law  acoustic signal in open space	A general power-decay law  acoustic, seismic, electromagnetic signals
<b>Target speed</b>	High	Arbitrary

# Sensing Model

- The (in)famous disc model
  - Any target within  $r$  is detected
  - Deterministic and independent sensing
- Real-world target detection
  - Probabilistic, no cookie-cutter like “sensing range”!



Real acoustic vehicle detection experiment [Duarte 2004]

# Sensor Measurement Model

- Reading of sensor  $i$  is  $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{s}_i + \mathbf{n}_i$

- Signal follows power-law decay

$$\mathbf{s}_i = \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}) = \Theta(\mathbf{x}^{-k})$$

decay function

- Path loss exponent  $k$  is from 2 to 5

- Gaussian noise:  $\mathbf{n}_i \sim \mathbf{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

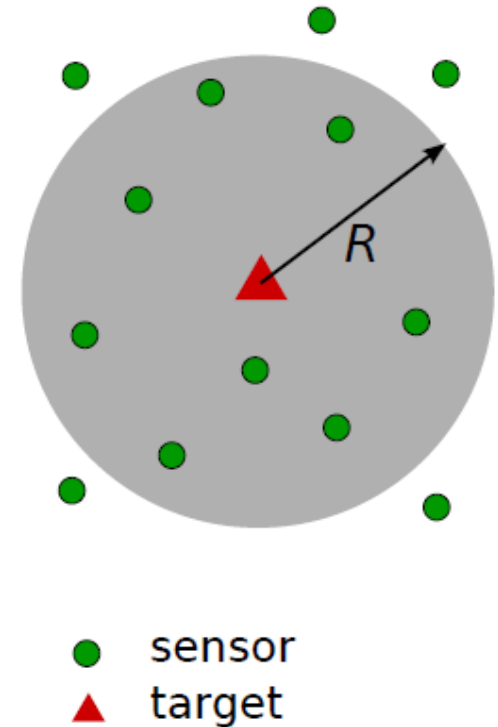
- Signal-to-noise ratio  $\text{SNR} = \mathbf{S} / \sigma$



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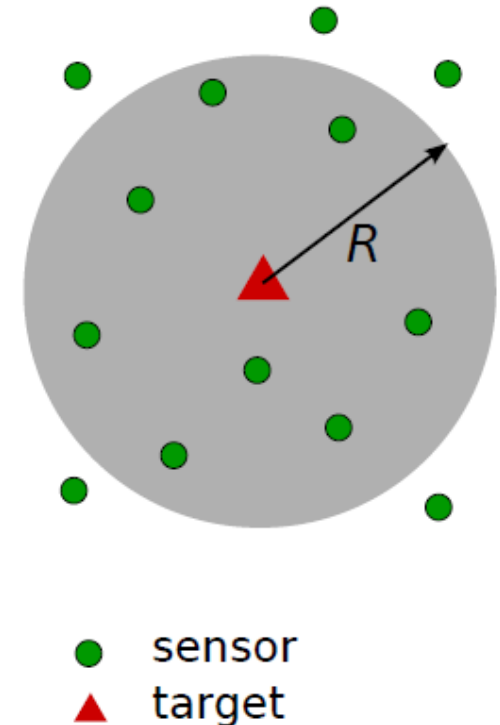
- False alarm rate

$$P_F = Q\left(\frac{\eta - N \cdot \mu}{\sqrt{N} \cdot \sigma}\right)$$

- Detection probability

$$P_D = Q\left(\frac{\eta - N \cdot \mu - \sum s_i}{\sqrt{N} \cdot \sigma}\right)$$

- $N$ : # of sensors in fusion range
- $Q(x)$ : Q-function of  $N(0,1)$
- $s_i$ : target signal at sensor  $i$

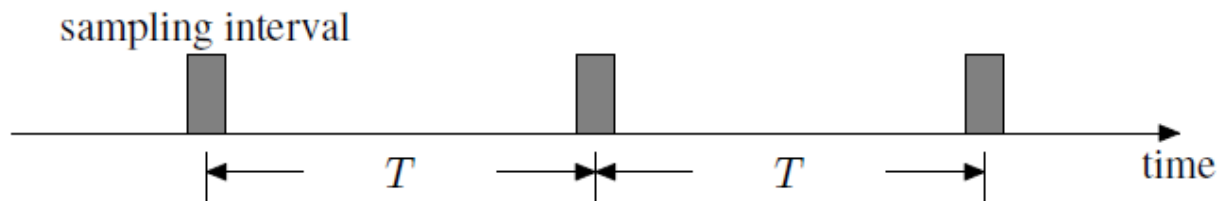


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# Network Model

- Random network deployment
  - 2D Poisson process of density  $\rho$
- Target moves freely in the deployment region
- Each sensor detects target every  $T$  seconds
  - $T$ : detection period
  - Detection in each period is probabilistic



Temporal view of a sensor's operation

# Definition of $\alpha$ -delay

- Fundamental trade-off between  $P_F$  and  $P_D$

$$P_D = 20\%, \quad P_F = 1\%$$

$$P_D = 50\%, \quad P_F = 10\%$$

- Detection delay is closely related to  $P_D$

$$P_D = 20\%, \quad \text{average delay} = 1/P_D = 5, \quad P_F = 1\%$$

$$P_D = 50\%, \quad \text{average delay} = 1/P_D = 2, \quad P_F = 10\%$$

- $\alpha$ -delay is the average # of detection periods before a target is first detected subject to system

$$P_F < \alpha$$

– Instant detection:  $\alpha$ -delay  $\rightarrow 1$

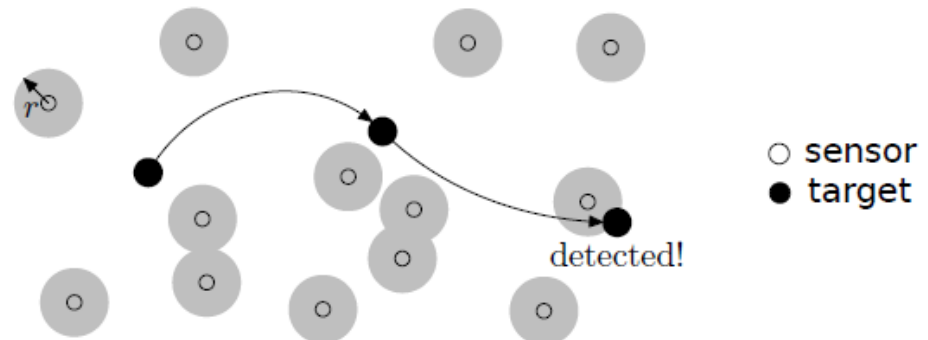
# $\alpha$ -delay under Disc Model

- Choose sensing range  $r$  such that
  - The sensor's  $P_F < \alpha$
  - Any covered target is detected with  $P_D > \beta$

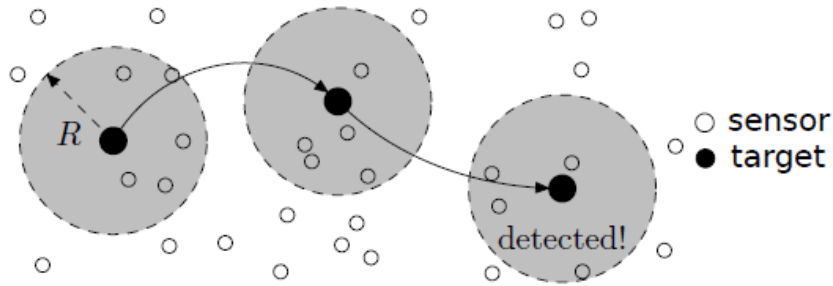
$$r = \sqrt{\frac{SNR}{Q^{-1}(\alpha) - Q^{-1}(\beta)} - 1}$$

- $\beta$ : constant close to 1, deterministic nature of disc model
- $\alpha$ -delay (based on [Liu 2004])

$$\tau \geq \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\rho\pi r^2)}$$



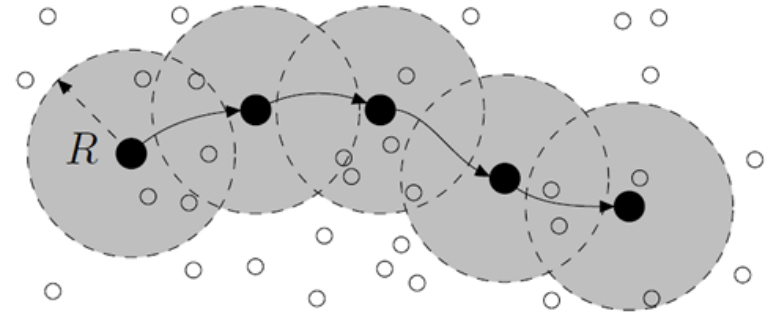
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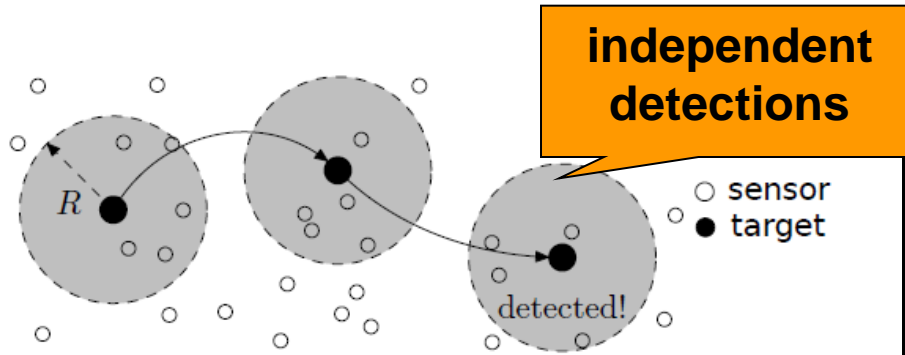
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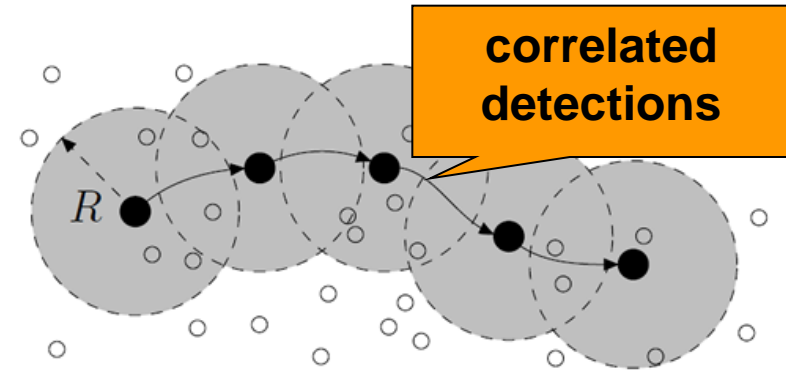
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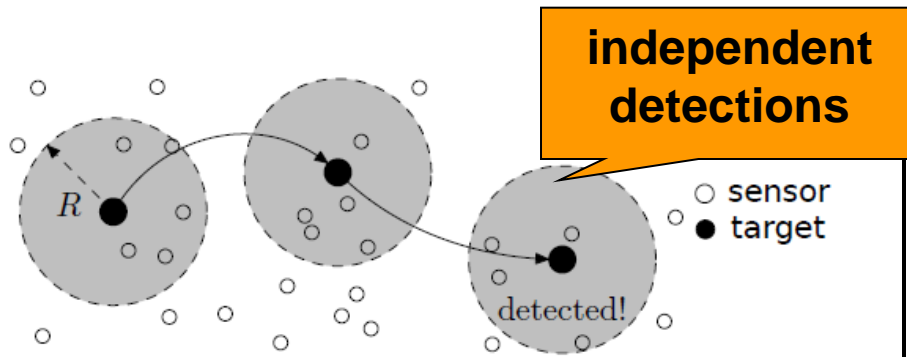
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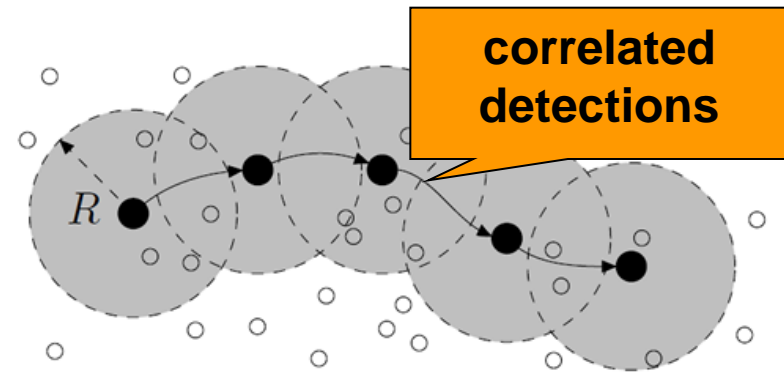
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$$\tau \leq \mathbf{E} \left[ \frac{1}{P_D} \right]$$

- $P_D$ : the system detection prob. in any detection period

$$P_D = f(\alpha, \mathbf{SNR}, \mathbf{N}), \quad \mathbf{N} \sim \text{Poi}(\rho\pi R^2)$$

- Numerically computed

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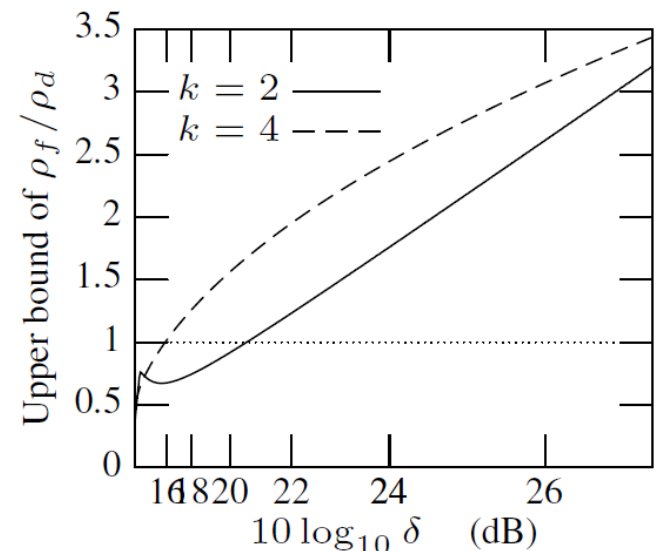
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$\rho_f < \rho_d$  is SNR < 17dB

- SNR < 17dB for low-cost sensors (MICA2, ExScal, ...)
- Data fusion is suitable



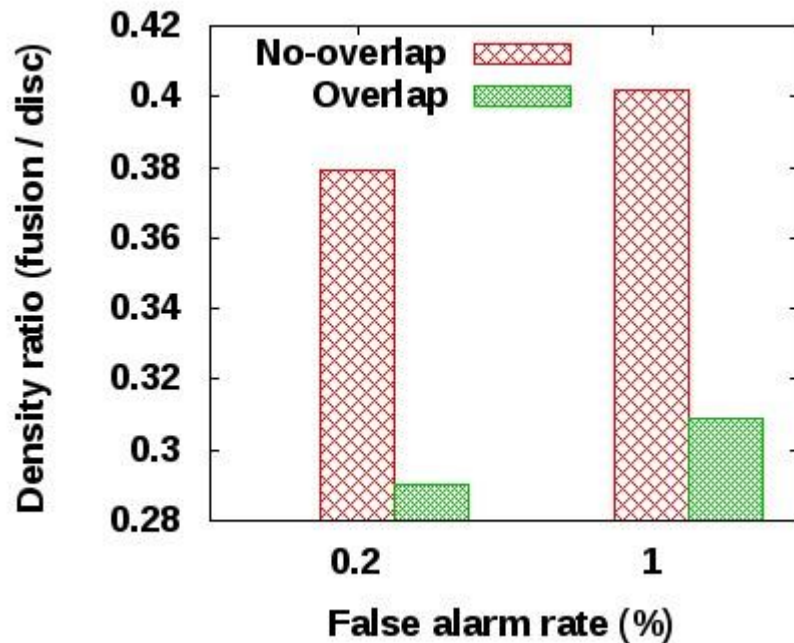
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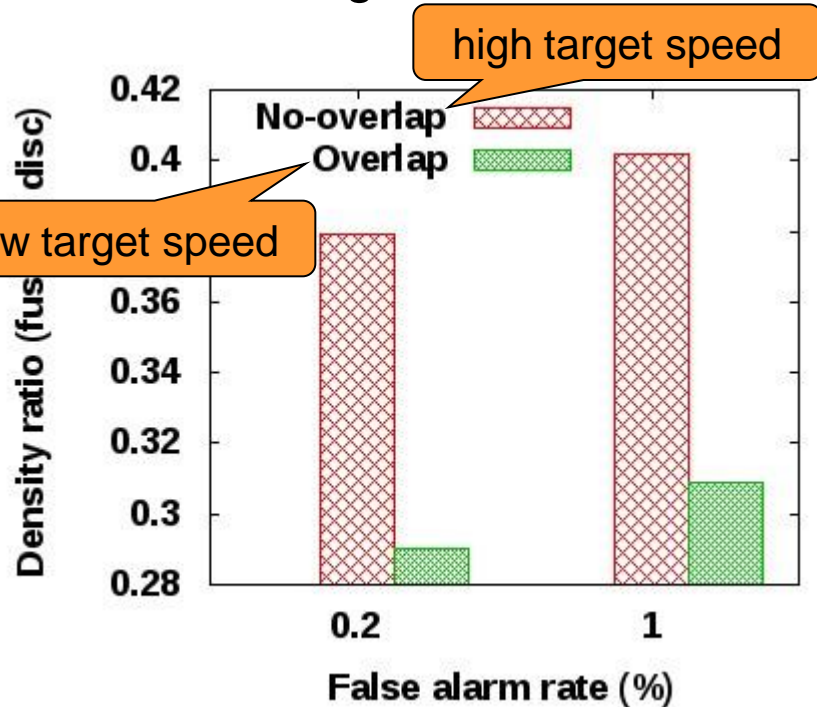
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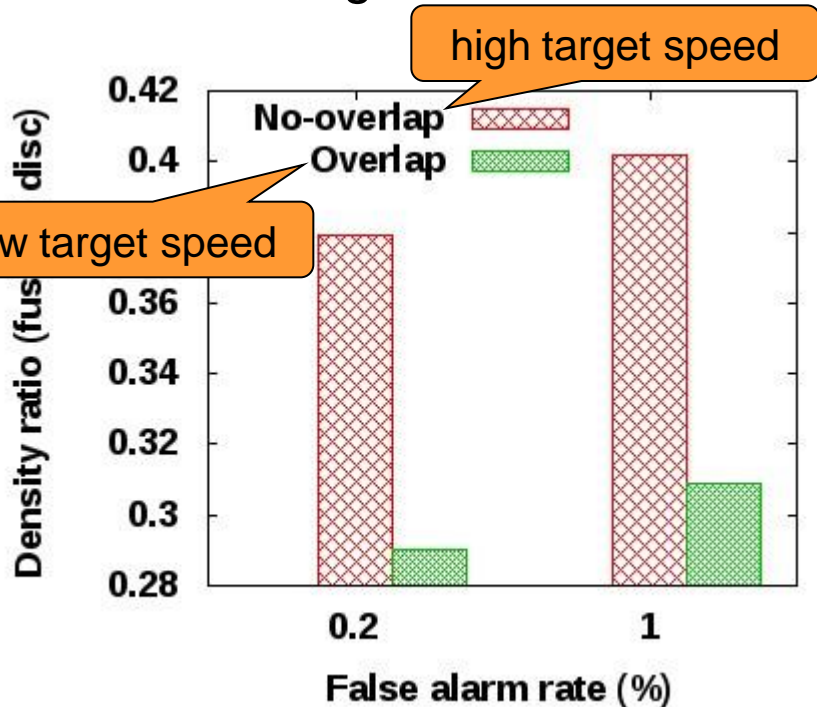
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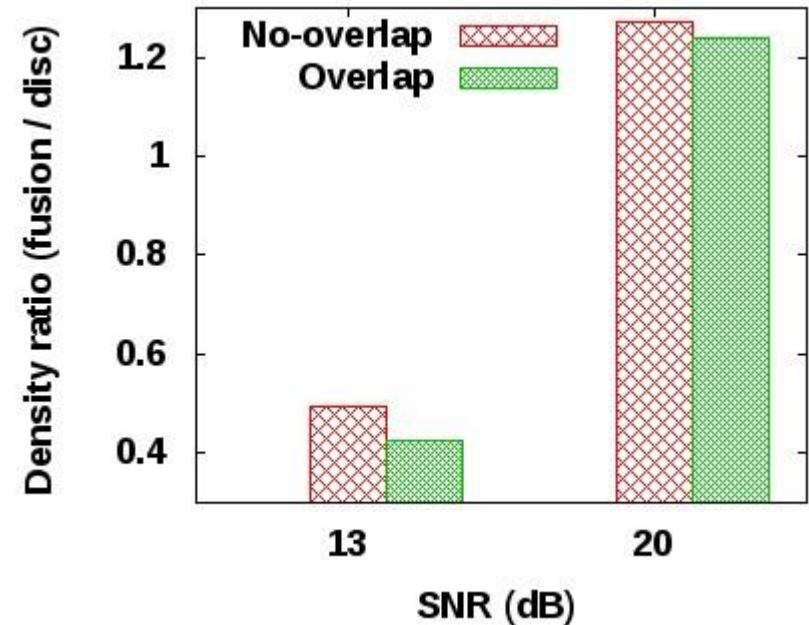
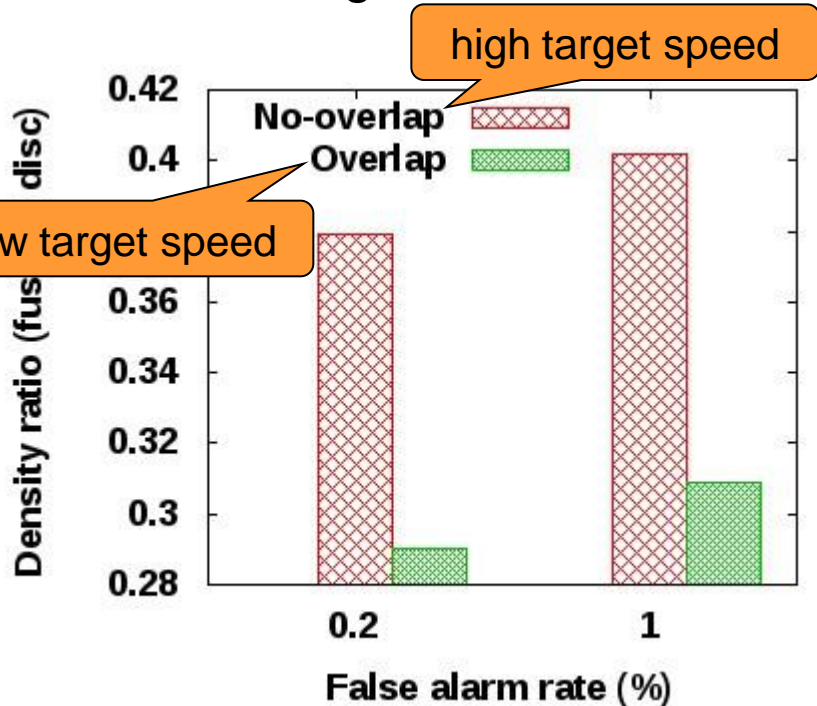
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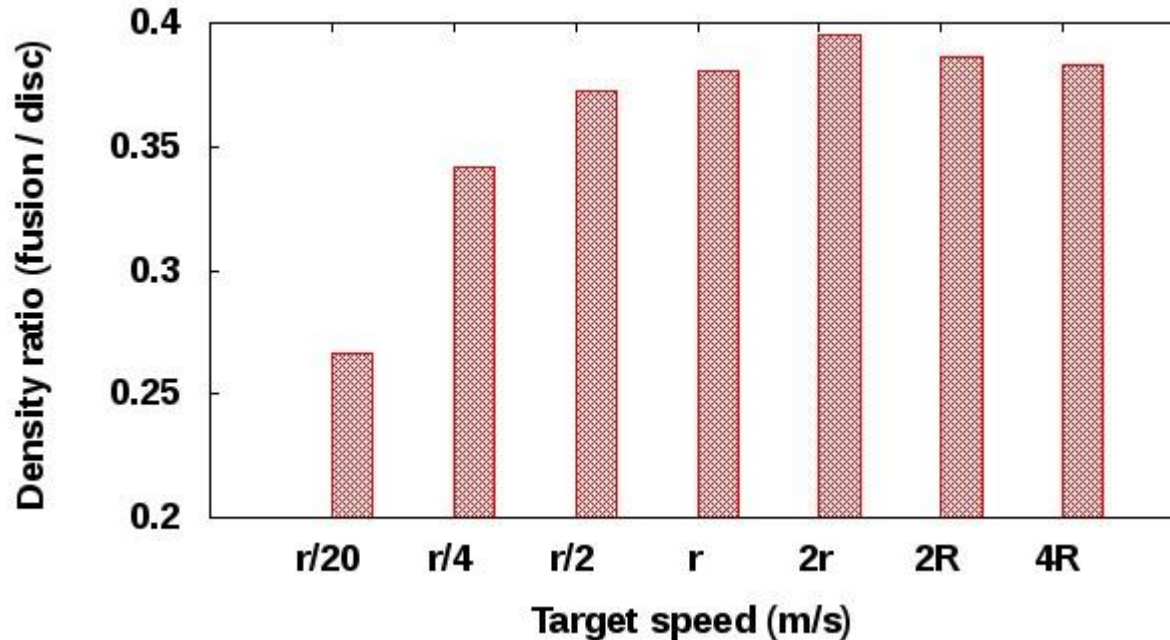
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# Simulations (cont'd)



- Target speed
  - An important factor of the overlap/no-overlap condition
- Fusion model is more robust in detecting slowly moving targets

# Conclusions

- Significant extensions to our previous work
- Reveal limitations of current theoretical results
  - Only applicable for high-SNR scenarios
  - Disc model underestimates the achievable detection performance
- Provide insights into the design of fusion-based network
  - Data fusion reduces detection delay and false alarms
  - Data fusion is robust in detecting slowly moving targets