#### A Robust Boundary Detection Algorithm Based on Connectivity Only for 3D Wireless Sensor Networks

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- Coconut algorithm
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#### INTRODUCTION

- Background
  - Boundary is a key attribute that characterizes a sensor network for geographic exploration and monitoring tasks
  - 3D sensor network has attracted increasing interests recently, e.g. underwater exploration and atmospheric monitoring







#### INTRODUCTION

- Related work
  - 2D boundary detection algorithms can't be applied in 3D wireless sensor networks
  - In 3D WSN:
    - Geometry-based approaches (Fit-ball, UNFOLD)
    - Topology-based schemes (CABET)



#### INTRODUCTION

- Motivation:
  - Require connection only and robust with node density





Topology (non-uniform)

Boundary nodes by CABET



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#### COCONUT ALGORITHM

• Coarse Boundary Surface Construction





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• Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing





#### COCONUT ALGORITHM

#### • Boundary Refinement





- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
  - Voronoi cell construction
  - Tetrahedron construction
  - Triangular surface construction
- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
- Boundary Refinement



- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
  - Voronoi cell construction
    - Random select landmarks, but every two of them are at least K hops away ( $k = 6 \sim 8$ )
    - Every other nodes will be associated with the closest landmark to it
    - Every landmark and its associated nodes form a voronoi cell







- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
  - Voronoi cell construction
  - Tetrahedron construction
    - If there is a shortest path between two landmarks and all the nodes on the path are belong to these two landmarks, these two landmarks are connected







- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
  - Voronoi cell construction
  - Tetrahedron construction
  - Triangular surface construction
    - Surface triangle is shared by one tetrahedron
    - Inner triangle is shared by two tetrahedra
    - Landmarks are divided into two kinds: inner and surface landmarks







- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - Surface Sealing
  - Internal Hollowing
- Boundary Refinement



- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - Surface sealing: differentiate the inner nodes and outer nodes by surface
  - How can we build a skeleton of surface?







- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - Build shortest paths between two nodes on edges of surface triangle,  $\Gamma(p, q)$
  - There are multiple shortest paths between given two nodes







#### COCONUT ALGORITHM

- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - How to choose the right shortest path?
  - Start from  $\Gamma(B,C)$ , make sure nodes in  $\Gamma(p_0, q_0)$  are the *1-hop* neighbor of  $\Gamma(B,C)$



Random selection

1-hop neighbor selection

- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - All the shortest paths (*\Gamma-nodes*) are not enough
  - The *Γ*-*nodes* and their one-hop neighbors form the sealed boundary face (*S*-*nodes*).





- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
  - After Surface Sealing, sensor nodes will be grouped into three types: *internal nodes* (or *I-nodes*), *surface nodes* (or *S-nodes*), and *outside nodes*(or *O-nodes*)
  - *I-nodes* are not boundary nodes that can be removed





- Coarse Boundary Surface Construction
- Surface Sealing and Internal Hollowing
- Boundary Refinement
  - Boundary Landmark Expansion
  - Boundary Face Splitting
  - **Boundary Surface Thinning**
- Algorithm Complexity



- Boundary Refinement
  - **Boundary Landmark Expansion:** push boundary landmark to the surface of network
  - *A'* and *A* are in the same cell and *A'* is a *O-nodes*







- Boundary Refinement
  - **Boundary Face Splitting**: push boundary faces to the surface of the network
  - If there exists an *O-node D* that has equal hop distance (or differed by one) to three landmarks *A*, *B*, *C* of a triangular boundary face,  $\triangle ABC$  is thus replaced by  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle BCD$







- Boundary Refinement
  - After Landmark Expansion and Boundary Face Splitting, there are only few or no *O-nodes* left
  - **Boundary Surface Thinning**: remove the extra nodes in the boundary surface nodes (*S-nodes+O-nodes*) with at most two-hop thickness







#### COCONUT ALGORITHM

• Computational and Communication Complexity

	Computational	Communication	
Surface Construction	O(n)	O(n)	
Surface Sealing & Internal Hollowing	$O(m^2)$	$O(m^2)$	
Boundary Surface Thinning	$O(k^2)$	$O(k^2)$	
$k \ll m \ll n$			

k:# of landmark nodes; m: # of  $\Gamma$ - nodes of one face; n: # of nodes in the network

The over all computational complexity and communication cost is dominant by O(n)



#### SIMULATION

#### • Lake Model:



#### • Cloud Model with a hole:





#### SIMULATION

#### TABLE II BOUNDARY DETECTION RESULTS.

Model	Correct	Missing	Mistaken
Model 1	99.9%	0.1%	47.9%
Model 2	99.9%	0.1%	147.1%
Model 3	98.1%	1.9%	174.9%
Model 4	97.0%	3.0%	54.1%





(b) Mistaken node distribution



#### CONCLUSION

- We have proposed a distributed boundary detection algorithm, dubbed Coconut, for 3D wireless sensor networks
- The proposed Coconut algorithm is a connectivitybased approach
- It has no constraint on communication models, and it's robust about the node density

