Creating Wireless Multi-hop Topologies on Space-Constrained Indoor Testbeds Through Noise Injection

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Introduction

- Motivation
 - Create ad-hoc network topologies on space constrained testbeds (ORBIT Grid)
- Challenge
 - Creating multi-hop topologies over a small area
 - Topologies should be repeatable in time
 - □ Topologies should be easy to generate
- Approach
 - □ AWGN Generation to compress space
 - □ Select Interference Fixed Nodes
 - □ Select Nodes Fixed Interference





Radio Mapping

- NS-2 supports
 - Friis free space model
 - Received Power is inversely proportional to square of distance from transmitter
 - Two ray Model
 - □ Shadowing Model
- Assume Friis free space model
- Likely steps in evaluation of new protocols
 - □ Simulation Study
 - □ Controlled Indoor testbed with free-space propagation environment
 - Controlled Indoor testbed with realistic propagation environment
 - Application oriented testbed study





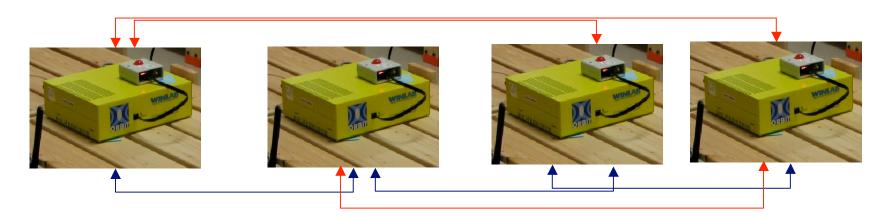
Radio Mapping Problem

Given a set of n two dimensional virtual node positions x1, x2, . . . , xn, configure the testbed so that the packet error rate (PER) on the links between the chosen testbed nodes approximates the PER in the virtual scenario under free-space propagation assumptions (packet collisions are not considered).



Sample link matrix 4 nodes string Topology

	1	2	3	4
1		ир	down	down
2	up		up	down
3	down	ир		up
4	down	down	up	





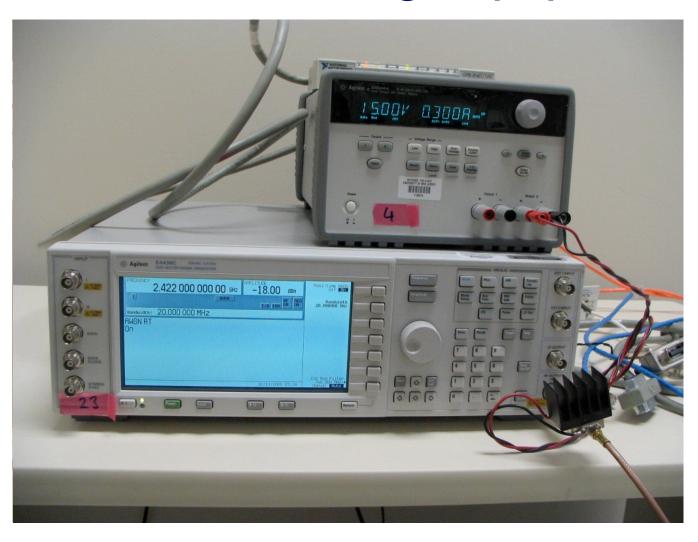


The 64 Node Orbit Grid (sb9)





Noise Generating Equipment







Grid PER RSSI Profile

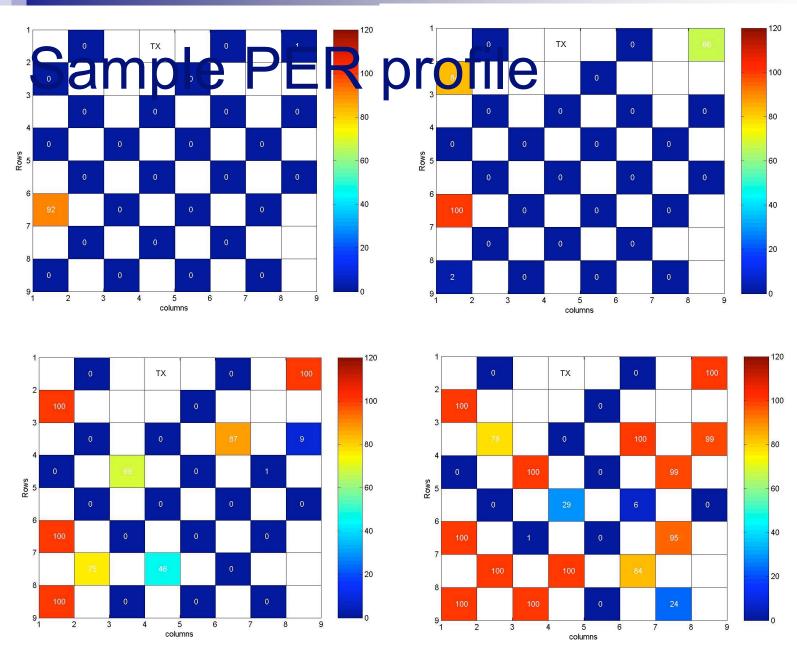
Approach

- □ Select a node on the grid and activate beacon transmission
- Measure PER and average RSSI at all other nodes
- ☐ Get the measurements selecting each node on the grid as a transmitter.
- The above could be repeated for a range of noise levels

What we get...

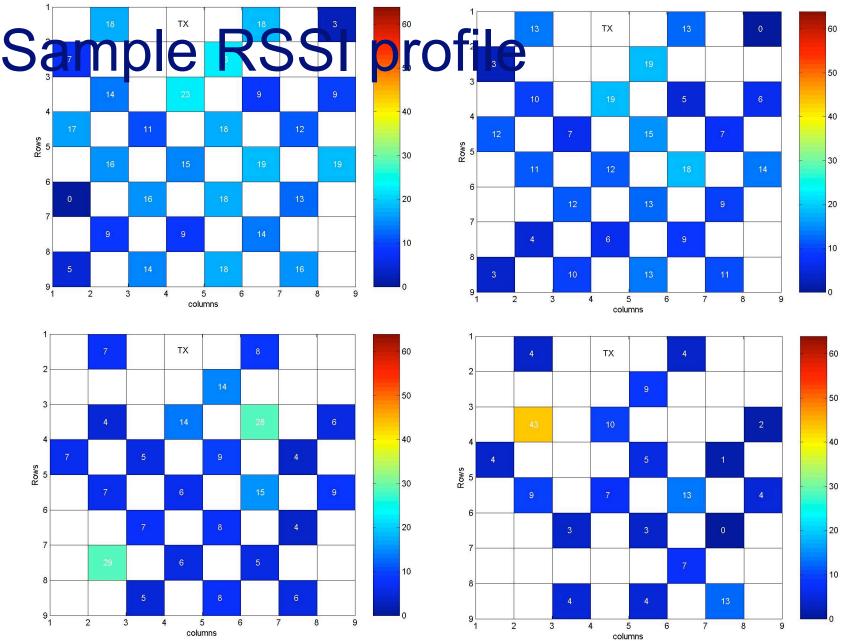
- □ We have a link matrix involving all nodes on the grid for different noise levels
- ☐ The link matrix will be an input to SNFI and SIFN along with a desired link status matrix





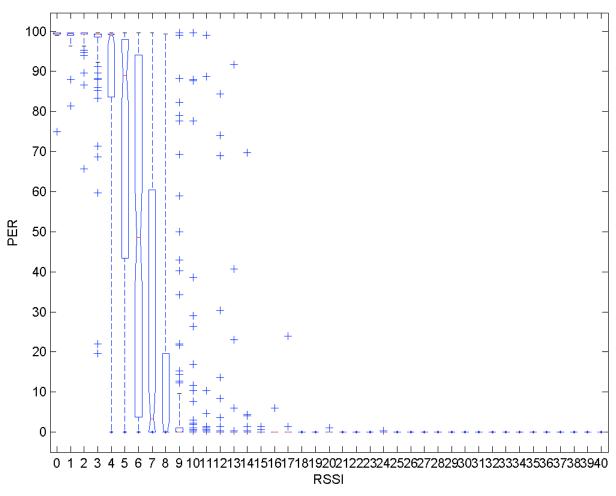






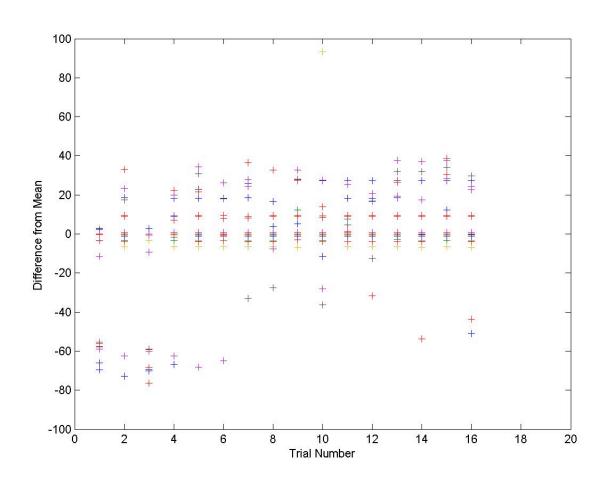


RSSI PER Correlation



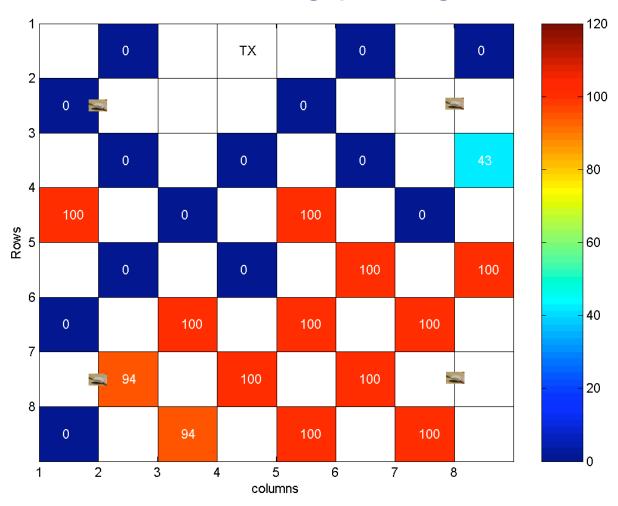


Relative Node Behavior



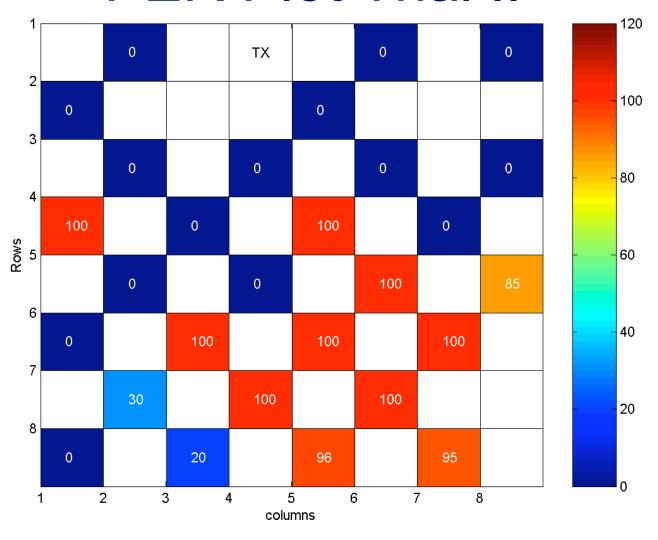


PER Plot Trial I



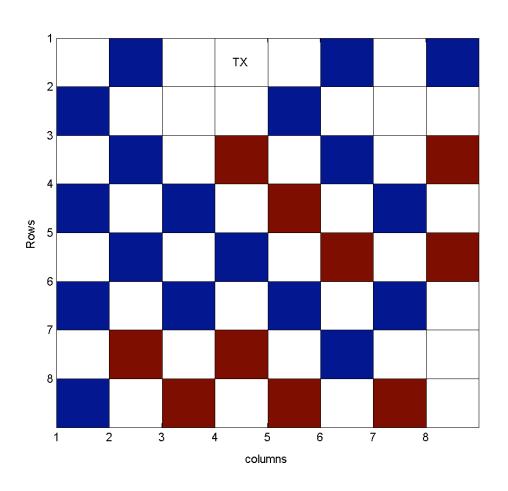


PER Plot Trial II





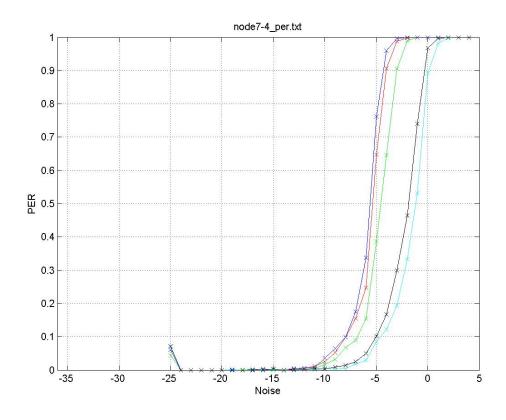
Variance Over VIII Trials





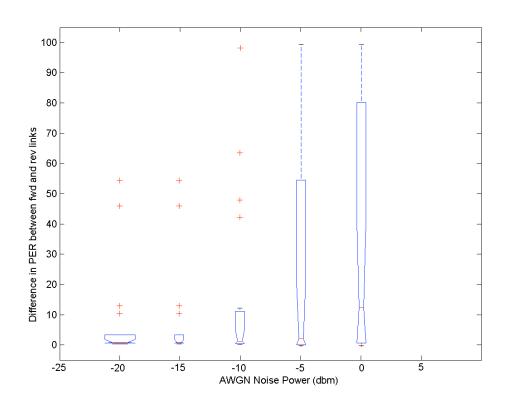


PER With Gradually Increasing Noise



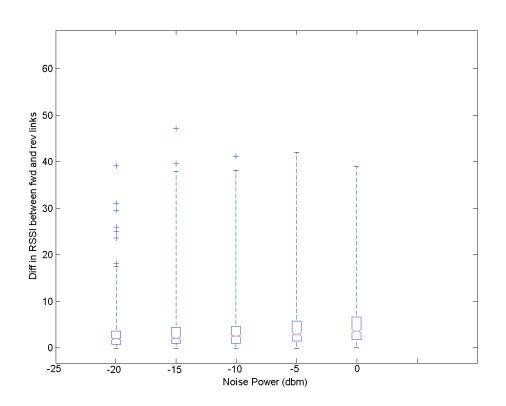


Link Asymmetry – PER metric





Link Asymmetry – RSSI metric







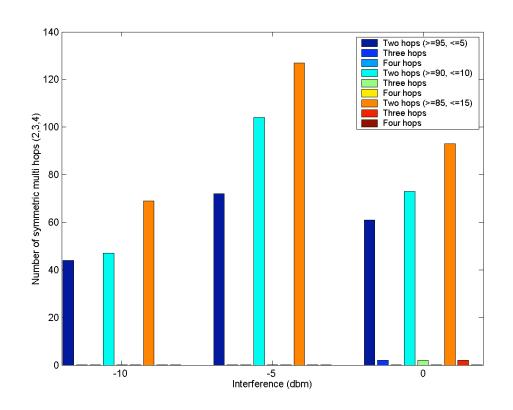
SIFN – Three Hop Topology (9ft)

1-1	TX	1-3	0	1-5	100	1-7	100
1-1	0	1-3	TX	1-5	1	1-7	100
1-1	100	1-3	0	1-5	TX	1-7	0
1-1	98	1-3	100	1-5	0	1-7	TX



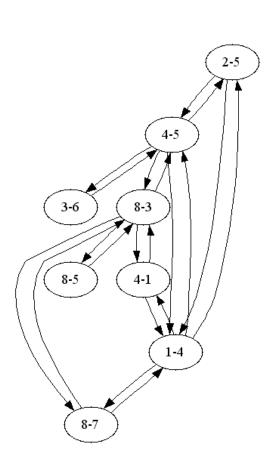


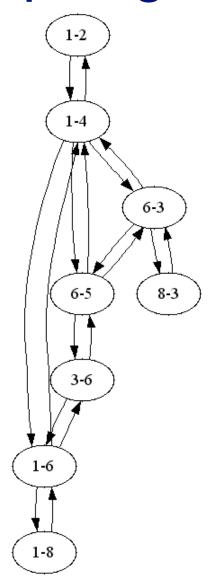
SNFI – Two, Three & Four String Topologies





Complex Topologies









Conclusion

- The hops are there and they are symmetric too!
- SNFI
 - No manual intervention
 - □ Limited antennae
 - □ Can generate number of 2 or 3 hop topologies. A few complex topologies give up to four hops at high interference of 0dbm.

SIFN

- Could be automated via variable attenuators for each antenna.
- □ Will allow greater control with one antenna per node.
- May allow greater repeatability of created topologies.

