Simulations for Stochastic Geometry on the Performance of V2X Communications in Rural Macrocell Environment

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Introduction

- This paper aims to evaluate the performance of v2x communications in a suburban highway environment.
- What is v2x?
 - Stands for vehicle to everything communications. It involves communication between vehicle to vehicle, vehicle, vehicle to infrastructure (V2I), vehicle to pedestrian (V2P), and vehicle to network (V2N).
- V2X communications are at the most critical moment in its history
 - the federal government's movement that favors the Wi-Fi as an effort to meet the burgeoning bandwidth demand. This affects v2x because it shares a spectrum with Wi-Fi.
 - The spectrum bandwidth for V2X has been reduced from 75 MHz (5.850-5.925 GHz) to 30 MHz (5.895- 5.925 GHz) while granting the remainder of the 5.9 GHz to Wi-Fi.

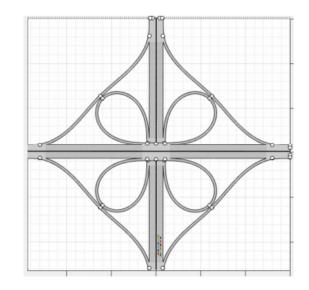
Introduction (cont'd)

- A V2X communications system has been found to be interference-constrained mainly due to a large communications range for each vehicle.
 - Through further analysis we discovered that a suburban geometry yielded a higher level of interference because of the openness in signal exchange among vehicles.
- The framework of this research paper aims to serve as a conceptual basis for further study based on the stochastic geometry, which will more precisely assess the performance of V2X communications in safety-critical use cases.

System Model

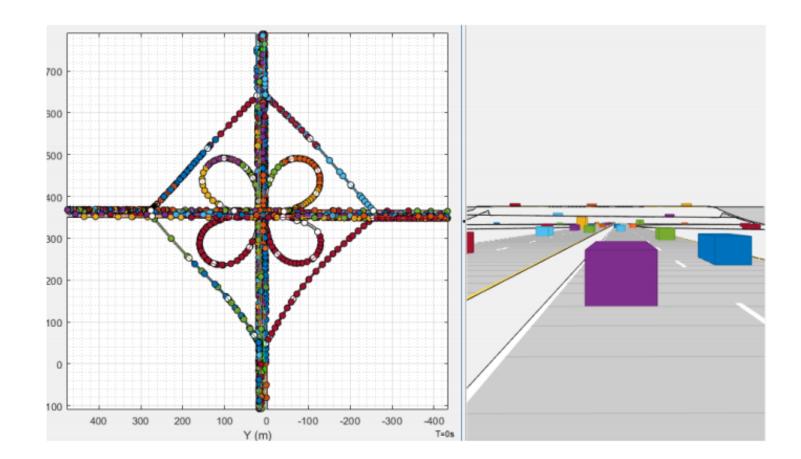
- To capture the unique characteristics of a suburban geometry, this paper adopts a Rural Macrocell (RMa) environment that is defined in the channel model by the 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP)
 [3].
 - Path loss
 - The key characteristics of this scenario are continuous wide area coverage supporting high speed vehicles
 - Distribution of nodes: Uniform
 - Indoor/Outdoor: 50% indoor and 50% outdoor
 - LOS/NLOS: Both LOS/NLOS (Line of sight/Non-Line of Sight)
 - Geometry
 - we create a suburban environment where two highway segments cross, which forms a 4-way junction. (as shown in the pictures)

-	scenario = drivingScenario;	
	SHIGHWAY JUNCTION	
	% % Highways	
-	road(scenario, [-300 -8 0; 300 -8 0], 15); % north	
-	road(scenario, [-300 8 0; 300 8 0], 15); % south	
-	road(scenario, [-8 -300 8; -8 300 8], 15); % east	
-	road(scenario, [8 -300 8; 8 300 8], 15); % west	
	%Adding vehicles	
-	egoVehicle = vehicle(scenario, 'ClassID', 1,	
	'Position', [-232 -10 15]);	
-	egoVehicle2 = vehicle(scenario,'ClassID',2,	
	'Position', [-229 -5 20]);	
-	egoVehicle3 = vehicle(scenario,'ClassID',1,	
	'Position', [-226 -10 15]);	
-	egoVehicle4 = vehicle(scenario,'ClassID',2,	
	'Position', [-222 -5 20]);	
-	egoVehicle5 = vehicle(scenario,'ClassID',1,	



System Model (cont'd)

- On the created geometry, we move on to distribute vehicles at the density of 100 vehicles per km-2
- The normalization by km2 is attributed to the dimension of the geometry as shown

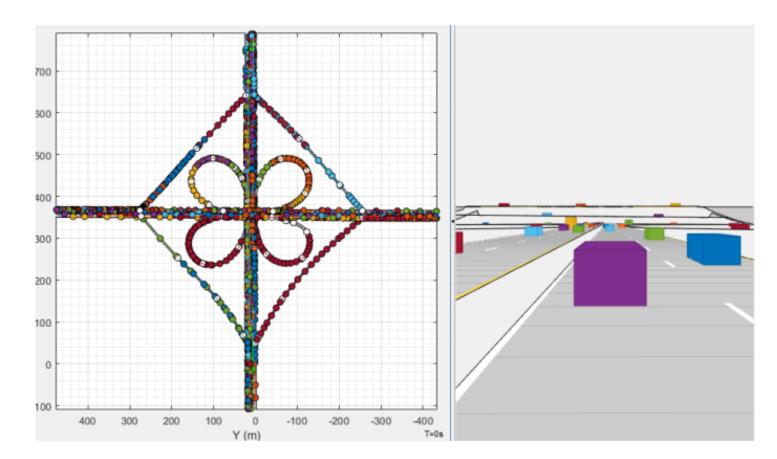


Simulations Methodology

- We found that simulation would accomplish the best efficiency as the main method to evaluate the performance of the proposed mechanism.
- The parameters defining and operating the proposed study are quite diverse in types and values, which makes it challenging to explore the parameters' dynamic orchestration in concert
- A simulation provides a relatively easier control over such a large space composed of various parameters with wide ranges of values
 - It enable computations without being caught up with restrictions or errors caused by computing environmental factors including hardware, compiler, language, etc.

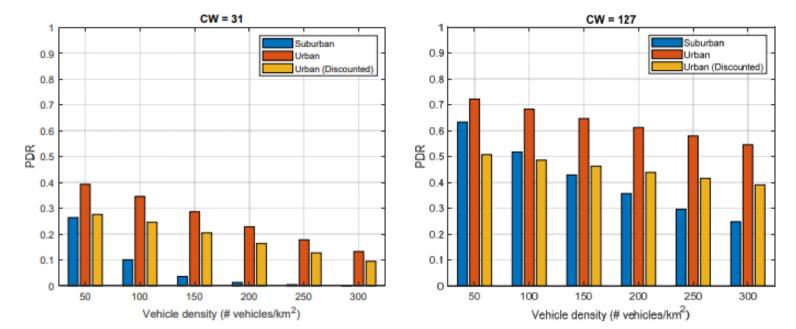
Simulation Methodology

- In the early stages of the project, the attempt to construct the highways in MATLAB programmatically proved to be in efficient for the goal in mind
- Instead of creating the roads programmatically, they were constructed using the Automated driving toolbox.
 - Through use of the automated driving toolbox, the highways were constructed, and the moving vehicles were able to be simulated.



Results

- By comparing the urban and suburban geometries, we calculate the performance of a V2X network in terms of the packet delivery rate
- With CW of 31 and 127, a vehicle can achieve a higher PDR in an urban scenario
 - In an urban scenario, the receivability among the Rx vehicles not undergoing blockage is higher compared to a suburban setting
 - However, this does not mean that an urban setting is more advantageous in the performance of exchanging signals.
- The physical coverage of a message broadcast must be suppressed in an urban setting compared to a suburban scenario where no blockage exists



Conclusion & Future Work

- This paper has presented a simulation framework that provides an analytical capability based on the stochastic geometry.
 - A particular focus was placed on the suburban geometry, in consideration of a higher interference caused by lack of blockage of signals among vehicles.
- The result indicated that a higher PDR could be achieved in an urban setting, but a discount must be applied because the higher performance was achieved only among a certain subset of vehicles due to the blockage.

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