



Trustworthy and Protected Data Collection for Event Detection Using Networked Sensing Systems

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Motivation

○ Wireless Networked Sensing Systems

- **Various applications**

- Crowd sensing, structural health monitoring (SHM) or damage event detection

- **Requirements**

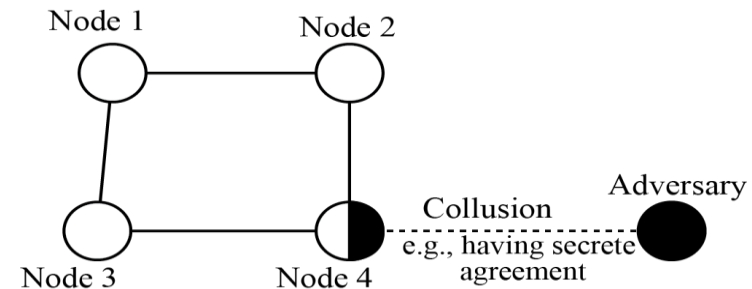
- The quality of the data or the quality of the monitoring and timely detection of an event
 - E.g., Structural damage or fire



Motivation

○ Challenges with the Quality of the Monitoring

- **Untrustworthy data**
 - **Security attack**
 - Collusion attack and the malicious attack
 - Some sensors constantly provide truthful data while others may generate biased, compromised, or even fake data
 - **Fault occurrence**





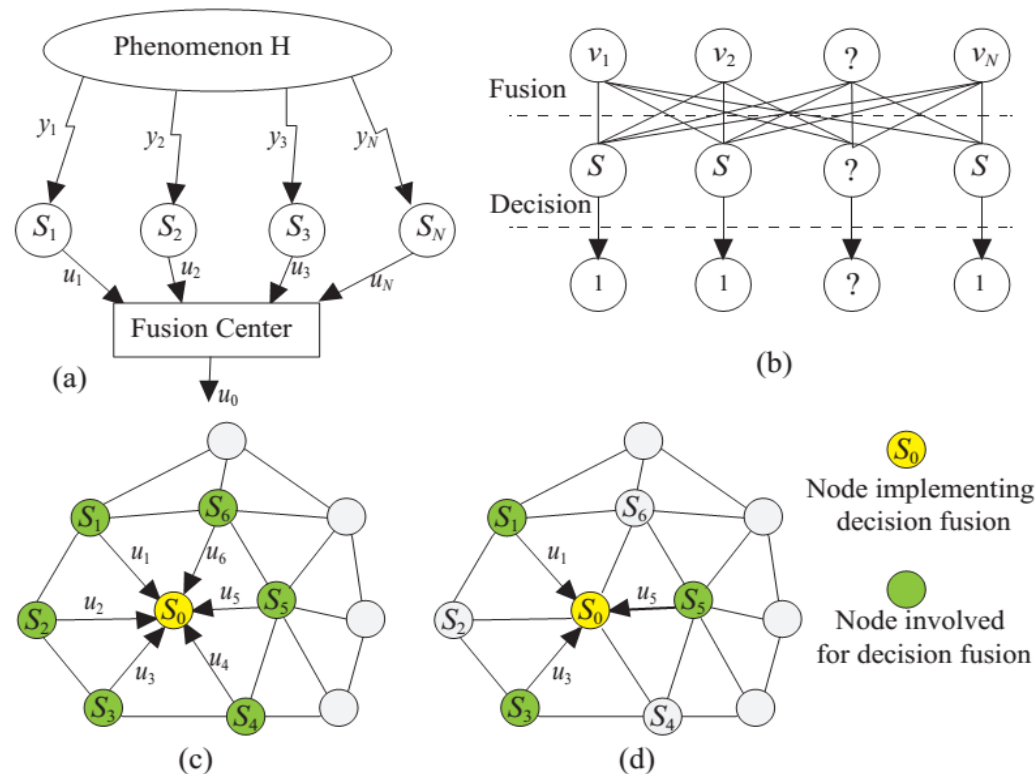
Motivation

- Challenges with the Quality of the Monitoring
 - Unprotected data
 - Data alteration
 - During transmission
 - After transmission, and
 - Before aggregation

Existing Work

Existing Work

- Security related work
- Decision-making related work





Our Framework: TPDC

- **Trustworthy and Protected Data Collection**
 - **Identify whether the acquired data is trustworthy or not, and finally transmit the trustworthy data.**
 - **Identify whether the received data is protected or not before aggregation**
- **Two Solutions**
 - **Trustworthy data acquisition**
 - We use 'mutual information independence (MII)' as an indirect signal measurement, assuming that a prior correlation model presents
 - **Protected data collection**
 - We use a truth discovery approach



Our Framework: TPDC

○ A Hierarchical WNSS

- **A set of energy-constrained sensors**
 - Organized into CHs connecting a BS
 - A CH forwards a final decision of an event or aggregated data to the BS
- **Target application: SHM, smart city applications**
- **Event detection and attack/fault detection**
 - A minimum communication range, sensors are allowed to share their signals with their neighbors

Our Framework: TPDC

○ Monitoring the Health of Civil Structures

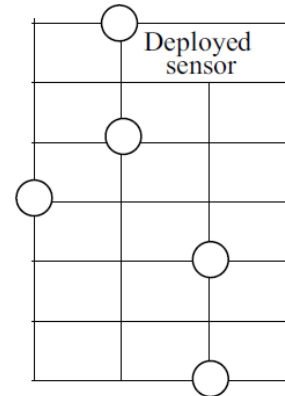
- e.g., building, bridge, aircraft.



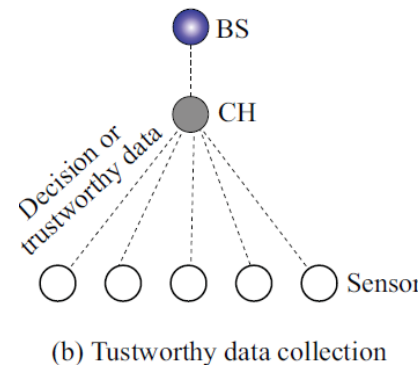
(a) Bird view of GZTV



(b) Global structure



(a) A 2D wall model of a small-scale structure. Sensors are deployed at specified locations throughout the structure



- 4) Truth discovery
- 5) Aggregation

- 1) Data acquisition
- 2) Fault handling
- 3) Trustworthy data transmission by each sensor



Our Framework: TPDC

○ Models

● Security attacks

- Sensors may produce abnormal signals from security attacks
 - Collusion attack
 - Malicious attack

● Sensor faults

- **Debonding fault**— sensor node may slightly or completely detach from the host structure, which affects in vibration capturing
- **Signal fault**—this is caused by precision degradation, breakage, etc., especially in vibration capturing,
- Faults in offset, bias, or amplification gain factors
- Noise faults



Trustworthy Data Collection

○ Signal Comparison

- A sensor compares its acquired signal with a reference signal set and get a **correlation value**
- The sensor exchanges its correlation value with its neighbors in each sampling instant so that any discrepancy in signals can be discovered

○ Signal Correlation Analysis

- Given signals, **MII** is a function, defined by the quantify how much the measurement correlation between the sensor signals, and then between sensor nodes



Trustworthy Data Collection

○ Decision-making

- If the MII value of a signal is larger than a given correlation value (calculated from a set of reference signals), the signal is considered to be compromised by an attack or there is a fault
- Otherwise, the signal is considered **trustworthy**



Protected Data for Aggregation

- Once a sensor has **trustworthy data**, it may be altered at the sensor or intermediate sensor before/after transmission
 - i.e., a CH may receive unprotected (or altered) data for aggregation.
- To discover a unreliable sensor or unprotected data at the CH, we use the **truth discovery** approach



Truth Discovery

- It is used in many domains in order to resolve conflicts with multiple noisy data sensors
 - The medias provide billions of pieces of information, unfortunately, not all are reliable, relevant accurate, unbiased, or up-to-date
 - Before being used, the information are evaluated for truth.



Truth Discovery

- **Key idea**
 - Evaluating ‘true information’ and its ‘source reliability’
- **Principle**
 - Infer both truth and source reliability from the data

**A source is reliable
if it provides many
piece of true
information**

**A piece of
information is like
to be true if it
provided by many
reliable sources**



Truth Discovery

○ Example 1

- The top search results returned by Google for the query--
the height of Mount Everest

Source	Height	Vote
Source 1	29.035	5
Source 2	29.002	6
Source 3	29.129	3
Wikipedia	29.029	5



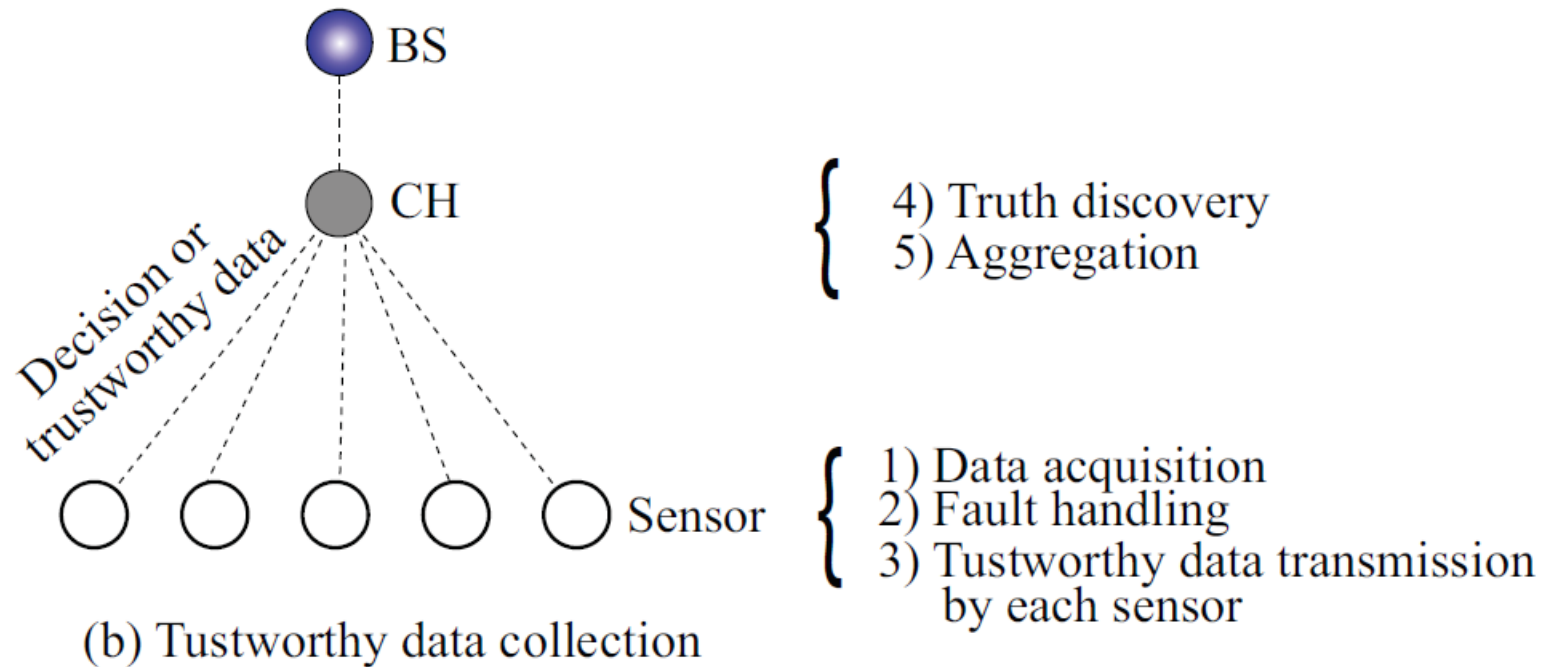
Truth Discovery

- Example 2
 - The birth place

	George Washington	Abraham Lincoln	Mahatma Gandhi	John Kennedy	Barack Obama	Franklin Roosevelt
Source 1	Virginia	Illinois	Delhi	Texas	Kenya	Georgia
Source 2	Virginia	Kentucky	Porbandar	Massachusetts	Hawaii	New York
Source 3	Maryland	Kentucky	Mumbai	Massachusetts	Kenya	New York
Majority Voting	Virginia	Kentucky	Delhi	Massachusetts	Kenya	New York
Truth Discovery	Virginia	Kentucky	Porbandar	Massachusetts	Hawaii	New York

Conflicting multi-source information

Truth Discovery Instead of Voting Scheme



+The amount of truth value provided by sensor
 + the reliability of the sensor



Truth Discovery Instead of Voting Scheme

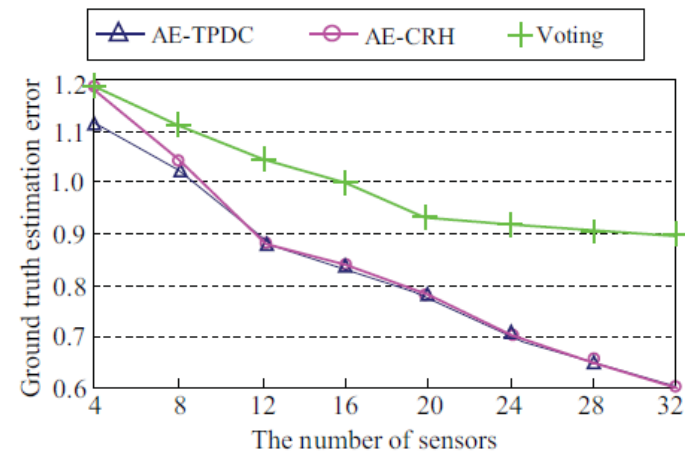
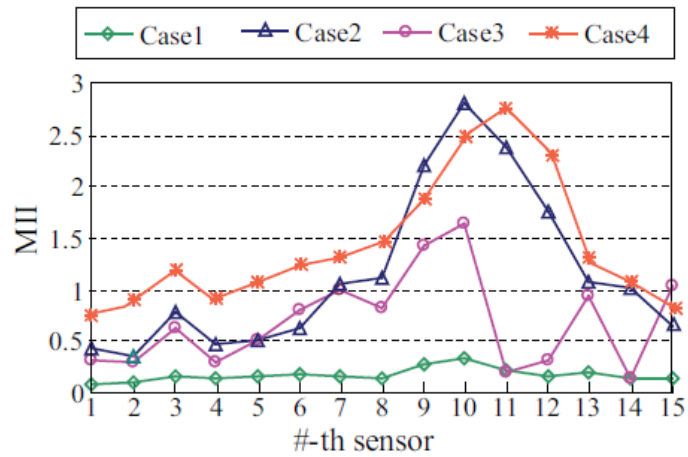
- A sensor's status value is given a high value if the sensor transmitted trustworthy data is close to the estimated ground truths (or given MII values).
- A truth discovery algorithm
 - Begins with a random guess of ground truths
 - Iteratively conducts status value updates and truth updates until convergence.



Performance Evaluation

- **MATLAB**
- **Real data of from 800 sensors collected from GNTVT**
- **We use the data sets for the 100-sensor case in our simulations.**
- **A SHM toolsuite**
- **Attack and fault injection:**
 - **Added additional noise**
 - **Change some sensor data**

Performance Results





Conclusions and Future Work

- **Conclusion:**
 - **0/1 based decision-making or fault-tolerant approaches are not suitable for detecting security attacks and faults**
- **Future work**
 - **Noise vs. security attack**
 - **Noise vs. sensor fault**
 - **Noise vs. event occurrence**
 - **Security attack vs. sensor fault**



Q & A

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