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# ABSTRACT

Wireless sensor networks are used in a wide range of applications, including environmental monitoring, industrial automation, and healthcare. In order to effectively gather and analyze data from these networks, it is crucial to accurately determine the position of the sensors. Range-free localization algorithms and techniques are often used for this purpose, as they are able to adapt to changing conditions and do not require the use of fixed ranges or predetermined reference points.

The DV-Hop algorithm is a popular choice for range-free localization, as it is able to adapt to changing conditions and can be used in a variety of environments. However, the DV-Hop algorithm has its limitations, as it can be prone to error and may not be as accurate as other localization methods. In this study, we evaluated the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions in order to determine their accuracy and effectiveness in range-free localization.

Our results showed that the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions are effective at determining the position of the sensors in a range-free wireless sensor network, with the improved versions performing significantly better than the original algorithm. However, there is still a significant level of error present, indicating that further improvements could be made to increase the accuracy of the algorithm. Overall, our study highlights the importance of range-free localization in wireless sensor networks and the need for further research and development in this area in order to improve the accuracy, efficiency, and adaptability of range-free localization methods.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Introduction

The recent new developments in the disciplines of wireless communication have made it possible to improve the ease of use, low power consumption, and small size of multi-practical sensors, as well as communication over relatively close distances. In a wireless sensor system, individual sensor nodes are used. These sensor nodes are small, battery-powered devices that can send and receive signals from other sensor nodes [43]. People now have the ability to monitor and control their houses, as well as metropolitan communities and the environment, thanks to the widespread deployment of intelligent sensor networks, which are taking place in significant numbers these days. They can be applied in a broad variety of ways to the process of creating new technologies for the domains of surveillance and the military, which will pave the way for their expansion. The powerful information transmission that has been discovered is paired with sensors that have been integrated into machinery, structures, and environmental conditions. These sensors can detect changes in temperature, pressure, and humidity. This combination has the potential to bring about significant benefits for the guild. Components for detecting, registering, and communicating are the building blocks of a sensor technology, which serves as a foundation. An administrator is granted the ability to not only monitor the instrument but also respond to the occurrence of events and marvels inside a predefined environment as a result of this capability [38]. It is possible to determine the location of sensor nodes in one of two ways: either by installing global positioning systems (GPS) on each sensor node or by locating the sensor nodes at sites whose coordinates are already known. Both methods are viable options for determining the location of sensor nodes. In either case, completing this assignment is something that is not impossible. In any case, it is possible to determine the location of the sensor nodes using the information available. Because the sensor nodes are scattered at random throughout the sensing field in such a large number, it is not possible to arrange them in the sensing field at a point that is known in advance. This is due to the fact that the sensing field contains so many of them. Additionally, it is not possible to put GPS on each individual sensor node because doing so would make the overall cost of deploying a sensor network greater. For this reason, it is not viable to install GPS on each individual sensor node. This is due to the fact that doing so would result in an increase in the cost of putting in place a sensor network. This is due to the fact that it would be impossible under any circumstances to carry out such a course of action.

Therefore, wireless sensor localization techniques are used to estimate the location of sensor nodes in the network by making use of the a priori location knowledge of a select few sensor nodes that have been put in the sensing area. This knowledge is obtained from the sensor nodes that have already been placed in the sensing area. The sensor nodes that have previously been installed in the sensing region are the source of this information and knowledge. This information and knowledge come from the sensor nodes that were previously deployed in the sensing zone. They are the source of the information. According to the naming convention for this type of node in the network, these sensor nodes are referred to as anchor nodes. Anchor nodes are able to identify their precise locations either through the use of a global positioning system (GPS) or by carefully situating themselves within regions whose coordinates have already been ascertained. When using an application that requires knowledge of global coordinate systems, anchors are used to determine the location of the sensor nodes. The global coordinate system is referred to in order to ascertain how each of the sensor nodes should be positioned. In applications that only need a local coordinate system, the local coordinate system of the network is the factor that is used as the deciding factor when locating the locations of sensor nodes in the network. Nodes that have been exploited by localization algorithms and have been granted known locations can either be referred to as "anchors" or "beacons," depending on the language that is being utilized. The fact that these nodes have been assigned definite locations is what differentiates them from other nodes. In either of these two languages, it is feasible to make allusions to the subject matter that is the main focus of this debate. These two languages both have this capability. Both of these languages have the capacity to transmit the information that is required for this particular subject at hand. Other nodes, also known as sensor nodes, ordinary nodes, or nodes that are not beacon nodes, use beacons to aid them in detecting where in the network they are situated. Beacons are also known as nodes that are not beacon nodes. There is another name for beacons, which is the node that is not a beacon node. Another term for beacons is the node that is not a beacon node, which is also a name for this type of node. The node that is not a beacon node is also referred to as a "beacon node," which is another name for this category of node. Beacons are an example of this kind of node. This type of node also goes by the name "beacon node," which is another name for the category. The node that is not a beacon node is also called a beacon node. This type of node may be illustrated by the use of beacons. This category of node is known by a few different names, one of which is "beacon node," which is another term for this sort of node. It is also possible to refer to a node that is not a beacon node as a beacon node. The use of beacons is one way that this category of node may be shown. One of the names for this type of node is "beacon node," which is also another name for this category of node. This category of node is known by a few distinct names. Another possibility is to use the term "beacon node" to refer to the node that is not actually a beacon node. One manner in which this sort of node may be shown is through the utilization of beacons. The phrase "nodes that are not beacon nodes" is a typical way to refer to beacons, and this word is used rather frequently. It is also a common method to refer to "nodes that are not beacon nodes." In addition to that, it is the typical way to talk about beacons. This is because referring to beacons in such a manner is believed to be standard procedure, which is why this situation has arisen. Another phrase that might be applied is "nodes that are beacon nodes," which is another



way to refer to beacons. Beacons can also be referred to using this term. Beacons are essentially another name for nodes, which are the fundamental components that make up the network. Sometimes nodes, which are also known as beacons, are referred to in certain contexts. There is not an obvious distinction between beacons and nodes. When one is seeking to define a location, one has the choice of utilizing either range-based ways of identifying a place or range-free methods of defining a location. Both of these approaches are available to the individual who is trying to define a location. Both of these strategies have the potential to provide desirable results. This might be the case in a broad variety of settings and applications, each of which is unique to the scenario that is being explored here in terms of its context. Both of these different approaches to solving the issue come with their own individ-

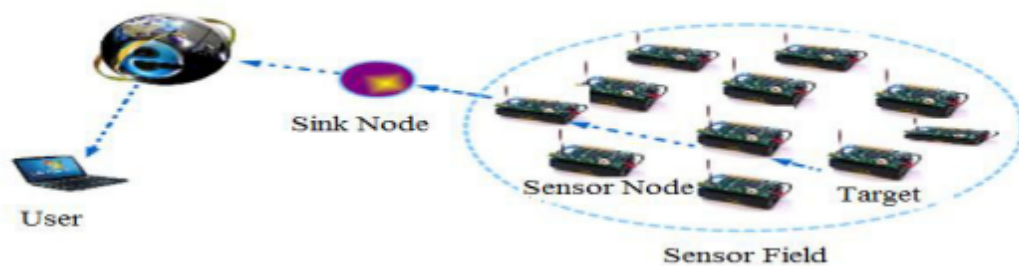


Figure 1.1: Wireless Sensor Network Source [18]

ual set of benefits as well as drawbacks that are connected to them individually and are related to them separately. It's possible that these criteria and the applications that go along with them have absolutely nothing to do with one another in any way, shape, or form. This is something that needs to be investigated. This is something that has to be looked into in great detail. These two ways and approaches are both valid possibilities that might potentially be taken into account while looking for the location of anything else. Both of these methods and approaches can be found here. Range-based algorithms make use of a wide variety of methods in order to compute the distance between two neighboring nodes as well as the angle that separates them from one another. This is accomplished by comparing the distance between the two nodes to the angle formed by their distance from one another. To do this, we will compare the distance that separates the two nodes to the angle that is created by the distance that separates them from one another. In order to accomplish this, we will examine the angle that is produced by the distance that separates the two nodes from one another and compare it to the distance that separates the two nodes from one another. We will achieve this by analyzing the angle that is formed by the distance that separates the two nodes from one another and comparing it to the angle that is produced by the distance that separates the two nodes from one another. We will accomplish this by examining the angle that is created by the distance that separates the two nodes from one another and comparing it to the angle that is produced by the distance that separates the two nodes from one another. This will allow us to determine which angle is more accurate. In order to achieve this goal, a comparison is made between the coordinates of each node in the range and the coordinates of the other node in the range. This comparison is carried out so that

the goal may be achieved. The purpose of making this comparison is to make it possible to obtain the desired result. This particular method is only one of the many other possible approaches that could be utilized, and one of the tactics that could be used is an indicator of the strength of the signal that was received. There are many other potential approaches that might be employed. To put it another way, the aforementioned approach is only one of a plethora of feasible alternative options that may be utilized. This particular tactic is only one of the numerous alternative approaches that can be utilized to accomplish the same objective; there are a great deal of other options to choose from. In light of the circumstances, one has a wide variety of options available to them on how to proceed with their actions. In addition to this, range-based algorithms make use of a significant number of additional potential paths in order to effectively perform the tasks that have been assigned to them and ensure that they meet the expectations that have been set for them. This is accomplished by referring to the network's local coordinate system when doing the calculation. [3, 34, 44, 42, 29]. Recent advancements in microelectromechanical systems (MEMS)-based smart sensors as well as wireless communication technologies have made it possible to produce sensors that consume little power and are priced affordably for the average consumer. The overarching goal of this project is to create a wireless sensor network that can sense its surroundings, perform some computation, and communicate with one another in order to accomplish some task, such as monitoring some phenomena, tracking some target, detecting forest fires, or conducting battlefield surveillance. This network will be able to accomplish tasks such as monitoring some phenomena, tracking some targets, detecting forest fires, or conducting battlefield surveillance[4]. When operating a WSN, it is required to devise a method for overcoming the issue of establishing the exact physical location of each sensor node. This must be done before the network can be considered fully operational. This is because it has applications in a variety of fields, including those listed below: energy-aware geographic routing; (ii) self-organization and self-configuration of networks; and (iii) identification of the source of sensor readings. Finding a solution to this problem is of the utmost importance because it can be used in the fields that have been listed. In addition to the factors that have been mentioned previously, the location itself could be an important piece of information for a wide variety of different applications[9]. The installation of a GPS inside the sensor node is the second method that might be applied to find the node that is being monitored by the sensor. As a part of the amount of work that has been devoted to research, a broad variety of localization methods and algorithms for sensor networks have been published. These can be broken down into three categories: These procedures and algorithms have been detailed in a published article. These are helpful for establishing the exact positioning of things in a given space. As a direct result of the aforementioned reality, a substantial number of publications have been produced in reaction to it. These localization systems and algorithms can be placed into one of two primary categories, called range-based methods or range-free approaches, depending on the method that is used to arrive at an estimate of the position. These categories are range-based methods and range-free approaches, respectively. The names of these categories come from those of the corresponding categories in the estimating strategy. These two types of approaches can be broken down into two categories: those that make use of a range, on the one hand, and those that do not make use of a range, on the other. One can classify these into

one of two categories: range-based methods or range-free strategies. Methods that are based on ranges are a more conventional technique. One further technique that might be used in classifying these things is to think about them on a more fundamental level. The strategy for localization that makes use of this method makes it feasible to acknowledge and take into consideration the multiplicity of different ways in which information can be presented. This strategy also makes it possible to localize the text. Protocols that carry out computations regarding position based on estimates of absolute distance are what set range-based strategies apart from other kinds of techniques. These protocols are what differentiate range-based strategies from other kinds of approaches. The processes that are being detailed here are not used in any manner by any of the other sorts of techniques that are being discussed. In the research techniques known as range-free approaches, no assumptions are made concerning whether or not the content in issue violates the law or how easy it is to obtain access to it. Research is currently being conducted on future solutions in range-free systems as a potentially more cost-effective choice for the most expensive range-based schemes. This is done so as to compare and contrast the two types of systems. In light of the fact that range-based systems are the primary focus of the study at the moment, this would be a response to that fact. This choice was made because there is a growing demand for alternatives to range-based systems, which is what drove the decision. The range-based algorithms are superior to the others in terms of precision, but they have a greater hardware need and are more vulnerable to noise in the channel. On the other hand, range-free algorithms have gained a significant amount of interest over the course of the past several years [47]. This is why this is being done. As a direct result of this, it will be feasible to conduct an investigation into the parallels and dissimilarities that exist between the two separate types of plans. This is due to the fact that the hardware of sensors imposes certain constraints, and these limitations make it difficult to do research on range-based approaches. Consequently, the reason for this is: This is due to the fact that the hardware of the sensors places certain restrictions on their capabilities. The reasoning that led to this conclusion can be summed up as follows: This line of reasoning is directly responsible for the decision to pursue this particular course of action. This is due to the fact that range-based methods are reliant on the concept of calculating the distance that exists between two different locations. As a result of this, this outcome was brought about. This conclusion has been reached as a direct consequence of relying on these factors. As a direct consequence of this, this particular conclusion came about. Because of this, which is also the reason why this is the case, this is the case as a direct result of this, which is also the reason why this is the case. When there are many distinct ways to localize information, a taxonomy is used to classify those different ways of doing things so that they may be found and exploited in an easier manner. This makes it possible to localize information in many different ways. Because of this, it is now able to localize information in a more efficient manner. This taxonomy takes into account a wide range of different criteria, some of which include the dependency of range measurements, the computational model, and the anchor. Additionally, this taxonomy also takes into account a wide variety of other criteria. In addition, this taxonomy takes into account a wide variety of other aspects on a number of different levels. This is another factor that may be found on this list. In addition to that, this taxonomy takes into account a vast range of other criteria, which, depending on where you look, can take on a

few distinct forms. Additionally, there is a chance that it will be located on this list. This is yet another option to consider[31]. Inter-sensor measures are what are used to estimate the locations of sensor nodes in a sensor network when it comes to the process of "localization" of a sensor network. This is because inter-sensor measurements are utilized to determine the distance between sensors. A sensor network is utilized in order to do this. To accomplish this objective, all that is required is knowledge about the locations of a specific subset of nodes, which are referred to collectively as "anchors" in this context. The measurements that are collected between the sensors can be placed into one of three distinct categories: those that are based on the received signal strength (also known as RSS), those that are based on the angle of arrival (also known as AOA), and those that are based on the propagation time. Devices can be localized by utilizing tactics that are centered on RSS, which makes the process possible. This is made feasible by the fact that the vast majority of wireless devices already have a received signal strength indicator, which is also referred to by its acronym, RSSI, pre-installed on their systems [5, 7]. As part of the scope of this inquiry, discussion and analysis are provided regarding the elements that influence indoor RSSI range measurements. The findings obtained for the same pair of sensors through RSS measurements will be proven to be consistent, and this will be shown to be the case by the findings of the tests, provided that the conditions of the environment are kept in the same manner in which they were maintained. In the following, it will be shown that this is, in fact, the case. In this study, we will investigate the ways in which different circumstances, such as the rotation of the antenna, the use of multiple antenna units, and differences in position within the same scenario, can have an impact on RSS measurements. Specifically, we will look at how these factors interact with one another. In this paper, we present an improved version of the DV-hop technique, which aims to improve the accuracy of localization while synchronously lowering the amount of error that occurs during the process. In other words, the goal of this technique is to improve both the accuracy of clustering and the amount of error that occurs during the process. In order to accomplish this, we divide the whole area of the network into sub-areas of equal size, and each node whose location is unknown estimates its position based on the anchor nodes that are located inside the same sub-area. Instead of taking into account the entire of the network, the hop size would be calculated based on the anchor nodes that are stationed within the same sub-area, should this method of calculation be utilized. There have been many different strategies described for the localization of wireless sensor networks. Employing localization algorithms might be able to help address the challenge of properly pinpointing the placement of sensor nodes in a network. This is one of the problems that has to be solved. The localization error produced by a localization algorithm can be used as a measurement of the algorithm's overall efficiency. A localization algorithm's primary objective is to reduce the overall number of translation errors that are produced throughout the process of localization. In addition to this, the sensor nodes that are situated along the perimeter of the deployment field have a bigger location estimate error in comparison to the sensor nodes that are situated deep within the field. The phrase "border problem" is commonly used to allude to this predicament. Notable contributions to the body of research work [39]. A mechanism known as the distance vector (DV) hop algorithm is one of the methods that are employed in this attack. This algorithm is one of the mechanisms used in this assault. This procedure makes use of a variety of different

methods, one of which is this algorithm. The findings of research that has been made available to the general public indicate that the most fundamental hop-based algorithms have been subjected to a lot of adjustments and enhancements over the course of the past several years. This is indicated by the fact that the research has been made publicly available. This is demonstrated by the fact that the findings of the research have been made available to a general audience. Because the findings of the study were presented to the general public, one might draw this conclusion as a direct consequence of having access to the information. In order to take into account, the advancements made in each of these enhanced hop-based algorithms, one of the stages of the initial DV-hop algorithm needed to be adjusted. This allowed the algorithm to take into account the advances made. Because of this, the algorithm was able to incorporate the newly acquired knowledge. It was necessary to carry out these steps in order to provide an accurate picture of the progress that had been made. Because of this, the algorithm was able to take into account the progress that has been made in each of these improved hop-based techniques[22]. DV-HOP is a method that may be used to identify the position of an item without having to rely on one's knowledge of the object's range. This makes the approach particularly useful for tracking down hidden items. Because of this, it is now able to find the object with a greater degree of precision. As a result of this, it is an efficient addition to the traditional methods that are utilized in the process of locating places. One has the ability to follow a variety of distinct courses of action, all of which are legitimate possibilities for the purpose of accomplishing this aim. When the DV-Hop technique is being utilized, the hop count option will initially be set to 0, and the anchor nodes will broadcast their current position to the remainder of the network on an individual basis. The next paragraph will present a study of this tactic, breaking it down into its component parts for further examination. Second, the anchor nodes that are found at the beginning of each hop are the ones who are in charge of doing the computation that is required in order to determine the hop-size distribution. This is done so that a foundation may be laid for the distribution that will follow. It is the obligation of the nodes that come before the anchor nodes in the chain to convey the results of their labor to the nodes that come after them in the chain as soon as the anchor nodes have completed the responsibilities that were given to them. An unnamed node in the network is able to figure out how distant it is from other nodes in the network by calculating the distance between it and known nodes in the network. This is accomplished by making use of the hop size of a nearby anchor node. It is possible to do this by determining the distance between two known nodes in the network and a node in the network with no name. As a consequence of this fact, the node may now calculate the distance that separates it from the other nodes that are part of the network. Due to a limitation in the technology that these devices employ in order to communicate with one another, the range that they are capable of operating within is constrained. As a result of the absence of these restrictions, range-free approaches have emerged as the method of choice when applied to this particular application. As a direct consequence of this fact, range-free methods have emerged as the method of choice. However, none of the algorithms that are presently being used have produced results that are precise enough to be considered adequate in this respect. This is because none of the algorithms have been able to provide results that are precise enough. This is due to the fact that none of the algorithms have been able to produce results that are precise enough for their

intended use. This is because none of the algorithms have been able to give findings that are precise enough for the job that has to be done right now. This is because none of the algorithms have been able to produce results that are precise enough for the applications for which they were designed. We came up with a technique that is absolutely unique to the localization process as a direct consequence of this investigation that we carried out. The RDV-hop localization algorithm is the name that our group has given to this method at the present time. The DV-hop approach serves as the basis for this procedure; hence, the word "foundation" is utilized when referring to the algorithm. Because enhancing the degree of precision with which the localization could be conducted was the primary goal of those methods, the bulk of our efforts were spent on this specific aspect of the assignment. There has been a visible increase in the amount of interest that academic and corporate organizations all over the world have exhibited in wireless sensor networks. This interest has been sparked by the proliferation of wireless sensor networks. This pattern is observable in every region of the planet. People from every part of the world have shown their interest in this topic. They often interact with one another through the utilization of a network of resource-constrained sensor nodes that are networked with one another. These sensor nodes are able to interact with one another and work together to gather data about the environment in which they are located. They also have the ability to exchange information with one another. The formation of wireless sensor networks is an activity that takes place with a reasonable level of regularity. The act of transmitting and receiving data without the need for wires or cables is referred to as "wireless communication," and the use of this particular phrase is what distinguishes wireless communication from other forms of data transfer. The use of wireless communication distinguishes it from other forms of data transfer. a term that can be used to describe any method through which two or more devices that are wirelessly connected to one another can share data and interact with one another. This term is also known as "two-way wireless." It is a generic phrase that may be applied to the explanation of any procedure. One of the components that goes into the construction of a wireless sensor network is a cluster of nodes that each contain a micro sensor. The low cost and extensive dispersion of these micro-sensor nodes over the monitored region are two of their distinguishing characteristics (WSN). The gathering of data inside a wireless sensor network is the responsibility of the sensor nodes, which are randomly dispersed around the network. Following that, the information is sent over to a centralized hub in order for it to be processed there [40]. The aforementioned updated methods all include two primary improvements: a method that calculates the solution to the unknown nodes' coordinates in a manner that is more efficient, and a method that calculates the distance between unknown and anchor nodes in a manner that is more accurate. Both of these improvements are mentioned above. Both of these improvements were described in the preceding sentence. These two improvements were discussed in the sentence that came before this one in the previous paragraph. In the new version, each of these diverse methods of handling the issue has been taken into account. The paragraph that came before the one you are now reading had a discussion that went into further depth on these two enhancements. It is possible to characterize the degree to which there is an increase in location precision as being extremely minute at the very most. This is only one of many possible interpretations of the term. On the other hand, there has been some kind of advancement in this regard. The significance of the development that

was emphasized previously is not diminished in any way by this development. The following are the ones that first come to mind as being very notable and significant: These improved algorithms merely process acquired data by utilizing revised calculation formulas or improved solution methods; however, they do not account for errors that arise as a result of circumstances in which the distribution of nodes does not correspond to the theoretical model. This is because these improved algorithms process acquired data by utilizing revised calculation formulas or improved solution methods. This is because these improved algorithms handle obtained data by using revised calculation formulas or better solution approaches. This is the reason why this is the case. This is because these improved algorithms manage collected data by using new calculation formulas or improved problem-solving methods. The reason for this is described in the next sentence. This is the rationale behind why things are the way they are. This is because better algorithms handle data that has been obtained by employing new calculation formulae or improved approaches to problem resolution. The following phrase will explain the rationale behind this observation: The reasoning for why things are the way they are can be summed up as follows: The data that has been collected is the only focus of the algorithms, and they pay no attention to any potential mistakes that may have been made throughout the data collection process. Due to the fact that this is the case, determining the precise locations of the sensor nodes is of the utmost importance. It is able to self-configure, and it features a lot of other enticing properties in addition to its large size, all of which combine to make it a very appealing option to consider. When it comes to the monitoring activities that are carried out by sensor networks, one concern that is of utmost significance is the positioning of sensor nodes inside wireless sensor networks (WSNs)[31]. During the course of the many years that have gone by, a large amount of research has been carried out on this topic, and the results of that research have been published in the books and journals that are associated with the scientific community. The concept of "object placement techniques" can be construed in an infinite number of different ways, some of which include "range-based procedures" and "range-free approaches," to mention just two examples of the multiple possible interpretations of this concept. It is of the utmost importance to acquire accurate measurements of the distances that separate a target from each reference point in order to apply algorithms that are based on range in order to make any attempt at identifying the position of a target. In order to do this, it is necessary to acquire accurate measurements of the distances that separate a target from each reference point. Accurate measurements of the distances that separate a target from each reference point need to be obtained before this can be accomplished. Before this can be performed, precise measurements of the distances that separate a target from each reference point will need to be gathered. In order to successfully complete this task, it is important to get precise measurements of the distances that separate a target from each of the reference sites[5]. The range-based algorithm technique offers higher levels of accuracy than any of the other devices, but they are all unduly expensive and a waste of resources. The range-based algorithm strategy offers greater levels of precision than any of the other devices. The range-based algorithm approach is the one that provides the highest levels of accuracy compared to the other available options. The range-based algorithm approach gives levels of precision that are superior to those supplied by any of the other devices. These levels of precision may be achieved with more accuracy [7]. As a result of this, there is a

decrease in its overall usefulness. The range-free location technique takes advantage of the known positions of the anchor nodes that are positioned in the surrounding region in order to provide an estimate of the location of the unknown node. These anchor nodes are located in the vicinity. In order to accomplish this objective, the positions of the nearby anchor nodes are employed. Since the machine has been finished, there is no longer a requirement for any other tools or pieces of equipment. In spite of the fact that this technique is not quite as precise as the range-based strategy, it is still usable for the overwhelming majority of wireless sensor networks. As a consequence of this, we place a significant amount of significance on the tactic of range-free localization as a strategic approach. The precise characteristics of a wireless sensor network, in conjunction with the proper algorithms, are utilized by a range-free technique, which allows for the position of a target to be determined without the use of a rangefinder. As a result, the technique may be used even without the requirement of a physical range. This is accomplished without the use of any specialized hardware to achieve the desired results. Due to the fact that there is no necessity for a certain range for translation [39, 22]. DV-Hop has rapidly become the industry standard in the commercial sector for range-free localization as a result of its effectiveness, user-friendliness, and great coverage quality. This is primarily attributable to the fact that it has become the gold standard in its field. It is possible to employ methods that are dependent on range in the process of finding sensor nodes that have not yet been detected. On the other hand, it is also possible to utilize methods that do not require range in order to accomplish so. This is because there are two different kinds of methods, called range-dependent techniques and range-independent methods.



## 1.2 Problem Statement

Wireless sensor networks are used in a wide range of applications, including environmental monitoring, industrial automation, and healthcare. These networks typically consist of a large number of sensors that are distributed over a specific area and are used to gather data about the environment or system being monitored. In order to effectively analyze and use this data, it is crucial to accurately determine the position of the sensors.

However, accurately determining the position of the sensors in a wireless sensor network can be a complex and challenging task. Traditional localization methods, such as GPS and trilateration, rely on fixed ranges and predetermined reference points, which may not be available or may be disrupted in certain environments. Range-free localization algorithms and techniques, on the other hand, do not require the use of fixed ranges or predetermined reference points and are able to adapt to changing conditions.

The DV-Hop algorithm is a popular choice for range-free localization, as it is able to adapt to changing conditions and can be used in a variety of environments. However, the DV-Hop algorithm has its limitations, as it can be prone to error and may not be as accurate as other localization methods. The goal of this study is to evaluate the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions in order to determine their accuracy and effectiveness in range-free localization. By doing so, we aim to identify potential areas for improvement and to determine the most appropriate method for range-free localization in a wireless sensor network.

## 1.3 Motivation

The use of wireless sensor networks has become increasingly prevalent in a wide range of applications, including environmental monitoring, industrial automation, and healthcare. These networks consist of a large number of sensors that are distributed over a specific area and are used to gather data about the environment or system being monitored. In order to effectively analyze and use this data, it is crucial to accurately determine the position of the sensors.

Traditional localization methods, such as GPS and trilateration, rely on fixed ranges and predetermined reference points, which may not be available or may be disrupted in certain environments. For example, GPS may not be effective in indoor or urban environments, where the signal may be blocked or degraded, and trilateration requires the use of at least three reference points, which may not always be feasible.

Range-free localization algorithms and techniques do not require the use of fixed ranges or predetermined reference points and are able to adapt to changing conditions. The DV-Hop algorithm is a popular choice for range-free localization, as it is able to adapt to changing conditions and can be used in a variety of environments. However, the DV-Hop algorithm has its limitations, as it can be prone to error and may not be as accurate as other localization methods.

Given the importance of accurately determining the position of the sensors in a wireless sensor network and the limitations of traditional localization methods, it is crucial to evaluate the performance of range-free localization algorithms and techniques in order to determine the most appropriate method for a given situation. The goal of this study is to evaluate the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions in order to determine their accuracy and effectiveness in range-free localization. By doing so, we aim to identify potential areas for improvement and to determine the most appropriate method for range-free localization in a wireless sensor network.

## 1.4 Methodology

To study the range-free localization of wireless sensor networks with random variables such as network shapes, network areas, anchor nodes, unknown nodes, radio ranges, and sensor densities, we conducted a series of experiments using a variety of different networks. These networks were placed in various locations with different shapes, sizes, and characteristics.

To determine the position of the nodes, we used the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions. The accuracy of the localization was measured using the root mean square error (RMSE) between the determined position and the actual position.

To evaluate the adaptability and scalability of the algorithms, we introduced changes to the variables such as network shape, network area, anchor nodes, unknown nodes, radio ranges, and sensor densities. We also simulated changing conditions by introducing noise and interference into the network.

In addition to the experiments, we also conducted a thorough analysis of the results to identify patterns and trends in the accuracy and adaptability of the algorithms. This included comparing the performance of the original DV-Hop algorithm to the improved versions and analyzing the effect of different variables on the accuracy and adaptability of the algorithms.

Overall, our methodology involved conducting a series of experiments and analyzing the results to evaluate the range-free localization of wireless sensor networks with random variables such as network shapes, network areas, anchor nodes, unknown nodes, radio ranges, and sensor densities. We measured the accuracy, adaptability, and scalability of the algorithms and analyzed the results to identify patterns and trends in their performance. By studying the range-free localization of wireless sensor networks with these random variables, we aimed to determine the most effective method for accurately determining the position of the sensors in a variety of different environments and conditions. This information can be used to improve the accuracy, efficiency, and adaptability of range-free localization algorithms and techniques, making them more effective tools for use in wireless sensor networks.

# Chapter 2

## Relevant Works

Researchers and developers have focused a substantial amount of attention over the past several years on the problem of localization in wireless sensor networks due to the fact that it has gotten a lot of attention in recent years. As a result of our analysis, we have come to the conclusion that a number of different localization procedures have been presented in a wide variety of published sources. These methods are dispersed over a number of different sources. On the other hand, the DV-Hop algorithm has a serious defect that needs to be addressed before it can attain higher levels of placement accuracy. This issue must be resolved before the algorithm can reach its full potential. On the other hand, in recent years, a broad variety of additional approaches and algorithms that are more effective than the DV-HOP have been established. These newer solutions and algorithms have been developed. Even though range-based localization can provide an exact location [40, 50], the algorithms required to do so are challenging, expensive, and power-hungry. Even though range-based localization can provide an exact location, In spite of this, range-based localization is still capable of providing an accurate location. This is the situation, despite the fact that it is feasible to give such a placement in the appropriate location. As a direct result of this, a number of different ways to localize that do not make use of a range have been presented. The DV-Hop method begins with the determination of the hop distance between a pair of anchor nodes and then carries on to the calculation of the shortest paths that connect the pair of anchor nodes. The DV-Hop method is named after the DV-Hop algorithm, which was developed by David V. Hopper. Before beginning construction on the graph, the locations of the anchor nodes had already been selected and specified in advance. These nodes are able to calculate the average hop distance along these lines by dividing the cartesian distance that separates them by the number of hops that are associated with that particular distance. In other words, they take the distance between two nodes and divide it by the number of hops that are associated with that distance. To put it another way, they divide the distance between two nodes by the number of hops that are connected to that distance. The sensor nodes in the network are able to approximate the distance that separates them from each anchor in the network by utilizing this information in conjunction with the typical length of one hop. This allows the sensor nodes to calculate an approximation of

the distance that separates them from each anchor in the network. The sensor nodes are able to make this determination because they are already aware of their distance from the anchors, which enables them to do so. This makes it possible for

this to happen. Checkout DV-hop and Selective 3-Anchor DV-hop are the names of two upgraded algorithms [37, 48] that are described in the study. Further citation is required. The Checkout DV-hop approach, which takes use of the mobile node's nearest nearby anchor, is used in the first scenario in order to acquire an approximation of the location of the mobile node. This is done in order to determine whether or not the mobile node is moving. The checkout DV-hop process is utilized in order to accomplish this goal. In order to get past this obstacle and get on with our job, we make use of a tactic that is known as Selective 3-Anchor DV-Hopping. This allows us to keep moving forward. Because of this, we are able to choose the ideal grouping of three anchors for the task at hand, which ultimately contributes to a reduction in the overall amount of localization error. In conclusion, the work that has been discussed here models a DV-hop protocol in order to give a comprehensive verification of the efficiency of standard algorithms that are based on DV hops. This work was done in order to provide an accurate representation of the efficiency of standard algorithms. The authors developed a stochastic [24] technique as a way of increasing sensor localization within wireless sensor networks in order to enhance the accuracy of the networks. One of the first potential contributions that might be produced as a result of this research is a mathematical optimization model for the network that makes use of the distance that already exists between unknown nodes and anchor nodes. After that, an optimization model is applied to the problem, and a genetic algorithm is used to it in order to discover a solution to the optimization model. This process is repeated until a solution to the optimization model is found. [20] This enhanced DV-Hop format is demonstrated in which can be viewed here. In a variety of various ways, the significance of adjusting the hop size has been brought to the forefront. Anchor nodes are the nodes in a network that are responsible for computing the new hop distance and sending that information to the other nodes in the network. These nodes are referred to as "anchors." The hop size can be simply altered and customized by employing a weighted average of the hop distances that already exist between each of the anchor nodes. This allows for the hop size to be more flexible. Triangulation, one of the most popular mathematical procedures, can also be performed in two dimensions using a technique known as "2-D triangulation." After the node has been moved, the technique of hyperbolic localization is applied in order to determine the exact location of the node in the network. According to the results of our simulations, the new strategy has the potential to improve accuracy; however, this progression may come at the sacrifice of some coverage. Our findings indicate that the new strategy has the potential to improve accuracy. This technological breakthrough, on the other hand, may result in an increase in accuracy. The authors of also claim in that [11] they were able to improve the accuracy of their DV-Hop localization method by making use of the RSSI auxiliary range and an error correction technique based on the neighborhood centroid of the target sensor node [49]. [11] In The authors of also claim that they were able to improve the accuracy of their DV-Hop localization method by making use of the RSSI auxiliary range. They claim that they were successful in accomplishing this goal by honing the precision of their error-correcting strategy. In order to accomplish this goal in a timely and efficient manner, we relied on the DV-Hop method of localization. In order to obtain a position estimate for each sensor node, the DV-Hop method, which is an essential component of the overall process, is implemented right at the beginning of this localization phase. This is done in order to maximize accuracy. This

step is taken in order to guarantee that the process will be successful. After that, a positioning error model is created for each sensor node by taking the difference between the node's centroid and the location that is predicted for it based on the centroid of its neighbors. This is done so that an accurate location can be determined for each sensor node. This is done in order to establish the precise location of each sensor node as accurately as possible. After that has been accomplished, RSSI will use this positioning mistake as an input into a computation so that it may obtain an estimate of the greatest likelihood. In this calculation, the distance between the selected node and its immediate neighbors is taken into account. The author in [16] was the first person to present the idea for the DV-HOP algorithm. They presented a simulation of the performance of the DV-HOP algorithm in this study and compared it to the performance of other algorithms. They demonstrated that the DV-HOP algorithm was superior to other algorithms in terms of both the communication range it could cover and the amount of interference it caused. Since that time, DV-HOP has been implemented in a variety of systems, such as smart grids, monitoring systems, and wireless sensor networks, among others. For instance, the DV-HOP algorithm was utilized in the Smart Grid application in order to broaden the communication range of the nodes and cut down on the interference that occurred between them. In a similar fashion, the algorithm was utilized in the monitoring system in order to lessen the amount of interference and expand the communication range between the nodes. In wireless sensor networks, the DV-HOP algorithm is an effective method for extending the communication range as well as decreasing the amount of interference that is experienced. It is an algorithm for distributed systems that has a low overhead and is simple to put into practice. In addition, it makes relatively little use of energy because the only thing that is required of the nodes is that they broadcast their directed vectors. Because of this, it is a good choice for a wide variety of different uses. The author claim in this [6] It is common knowledge that the Distance Vector-Hop (DV-Hop) algorithm, which is the most well-known range-free localization algorithm in wireless sensor networks and is based on the distance vector routing protocol, does not provide especially accurate results when it comes to localization. This is because the DV-Hop algorithm is based on the distance vector routing protocol. This is due to the fact that the technique is based on a protocol known as "distance vector routing." The improved technique of wireless sensor node localization that is presented in this research is referred to as DEIDV-Hop, and it has been given that name. The differential evolution (DE) algorithm and an updated version of the DV-Hop algorithm underpin this approach to problem solving. The utilization of this methodology contributes to the amelioration of the issue of probable mistakes regarding the average distance traveled in each hop. The individuals that are put through the process of random mutation are also subjected to random mutation, which leads to an increase in the variety that can be found among the population as a whole. This is done to prevent the DE algorithm from becoming trapped in a search state and to prevent premature convergence. Both of these issues can be avoided by doing this. The mutations are inserted at completely unpredictable intervals. The social learning component of the Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) algorithm is included in the crossover process based on the newly produced individual. This takes place on the basis of the PSO algorithm. Not only does this speed up the process by which the method converges, but it also makes the result of the approach's overall optimization better.

In order to acquire the globally optimal solution that corresponds to the position that was calculated for the unknown node, the modified DE approach is utilized as part of the solution-finding process. This is done in order to guarantee that the issue will be resolved in the most efficient manner possible. According to the results of the simulations, the approach that was only recently provided performs better than its predecessors in terms of both its stability and the number of localization errors that it generates in each of the four different network settings. In spite of this, it demonstrates promise for application scenarios that require a higher level of precision and consistency in the localization process. It is essential to have accurate information regarding the locations of the sensor nodes in order to successfully integrate additional network applications within wireless sensor networks (WSNs). Without knowing this information, it is impossible to install new apps over a network. An approach to localization that does not call for a range and is founded on neural network ensembles is something that we propose in this paper [36] as a result of our findings (LNNE). The connection information that is gathered from that network is the only piece of information that is used by the LNNE algorithm to derive an estimation of the position of a sensor node inside the WSN. In this simulation study, the performance of LNNE is compared with that of two well-known range-free localization algorithms, Centroid and DV-Hop, as well as a single neural network-based localization algorithm called LSNN. These algorithms are all used to determine the location of an object without using range information. The purpose of each of these techniques is to pinpoint the location of an object without relying on its range information. Both Centroid and DV-Hop were chosen because the range-free localization that they employ serves as the basis for their respective protocols. According to the outcomes of the studies, LNNE operates in a manner that is invariably superior to that of the other three algorithms when it comes to the accuracy of localization. An upgraded mass spring optimization (EMSO) algorithm is offered as a way of further boosting the performance of LNNE. This is supplied as a method of further enhancing the performance of LNNE. This tactic would make use of the location information that is available from the beacons and nodes that are situated in the immediate region. A new strategy for localizing wireless sensor networks (WSNs) that is based on the DV-Hop method is described in the article [27], which was written by its inventor. Their strategy gets rid of the need for communication throughout the entire network, which makes their proposed method more effective in terms of both the amount of time and the amount of power it uses. Another goal of this mission is to achieve a high degree of precision in localization. Unconstrained optimization is used to determine the position of an unknown node in order to ensure that the error in the estimated distance is as small as feasible. This is done in order to ensure that the estimated distance is as accurate as possible. This version of the technique is described as having a higher degree of generalization. Because calculating the variance of the range estimate inaccuracy is a computationally costly task, using this method to improve the accuracy of localization in the first DV-Hop methodology takes additional time for the computer to complete its processing. Despite the fact that this method improves the accuracy of localization in the first DV-Hop methodology, using it also requires additional time. For wireless sensor networks that are set up in a haphazard manner, [37] advises utilizing the hyperbolic DV-Hop localization strategy in conjunction with the enhanced weighted centroid DV-Hop localization algorithm. [32] also suggests us-

ing the enhanced weighted centroid DV-Hop localization algorithm (IWC-DV-Hop). Because the authors of the original DV-Hop believed that using the average hop size of anchors closest to the unknown node was the cause of significant errors and poor localization accuracy, the hop size of the anchor node has been replaced in these improved algorithms with an average of all anchors' hop sizes. This change was made because these authors believed that using the hop size of anchors closest to the unknown node was the cause of these errors. This is due to the fact that the people who developed the first version of DV-Hop held the belief that making use of this average resulted in substantial errors and low accuracy in localization. Either of these two approaches is capable of enhancing the degree of precision possessed by the conventional DV-Hop method.



# Chapter 3

## Uses and Variations on Localization

### 3.1 Localization

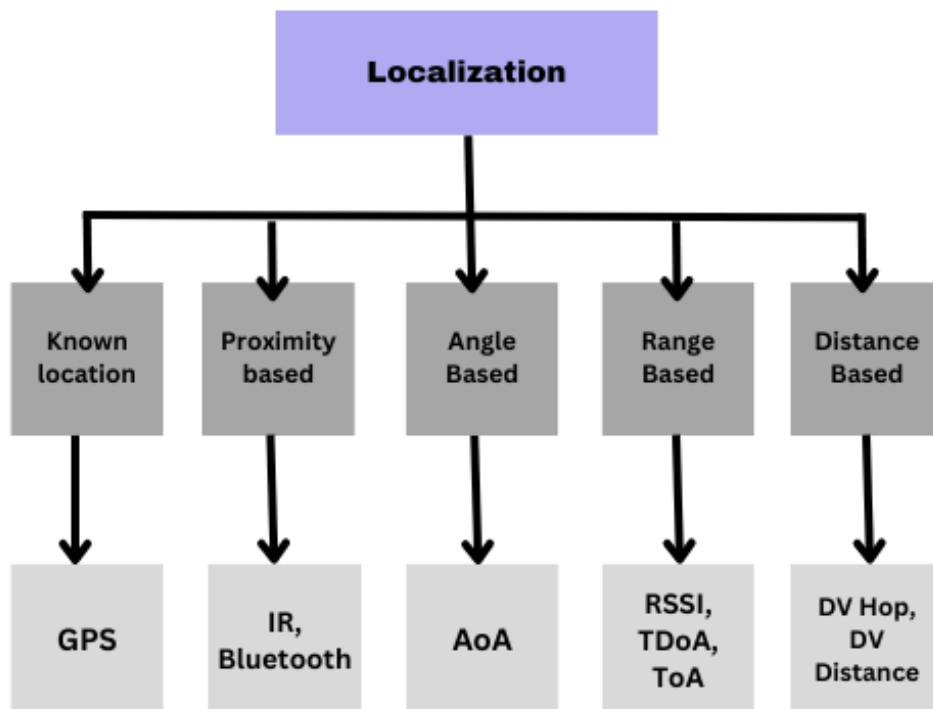


Figure 3.1: localization sketch)

Any wireless sensor network (WSN) would be incomplete without localization, which is a vital component. The nodes in the majority of WSNs are not pre-defined; rather, they must be identified, also known as "localized," in order to guarantee

that data may be sent to and received from each of them. The process of finding the geographical coordinates of the individual nodes that make up a network is referred to as "localization." A map of the network needs to be created, and this process is important to make sure that the nodes can communicate with one another properly. Both centralized and decentralized approaches to localization are possible. When a system is centralized, the position of each node in the network can be determined by using what is called a central hub server. This is accomplished by determining the locations of the nodes by a process known as triangulation, which involves evaluating the signal intensity of each node. Anchor nodes are non-moving nodes that have their placements predetermined, and they are typically utilized in order to facilitate this procedure. Within a decentralized network, each node is responsible for determining its own location. This is accomplished by exchanging data with one another, such as the distance that separates them, and utilizing algorithms to calculate their relative positions to one another. The method that we are referring to here is called distributed localization. Obtaining precise localization can be accomplished through the application of a number of different strategies. For instance, in anchor-based localization, anchor nodes are used to determine the location of other nodes by measuring the signal intensity of those nodes. When using range-based localization, the nodes determine their locations by measuring the distance that separates them from one another and then using trilateration. In angle-based localization, the nodes assess the angle of the signal with respect to one another and then use triangulation to determine where they are located. The process of localization is essential to the operation of any WSN since it ensures that the nodes are able to interact efficiently and makes it possible to construct a map of the network. Additionally, it is essential for a wide variety of applications, including navigation, monitoring, and mapping. As a result, it is absolutely necessary to ensure that the localization process is correct and dependable. Nodes that serve as anchors are those whose locations are always fixed and recognized. These nodes serve as a benchmark for the rest of the network by being strategically positioned at known locations. Data from the anchor nodes is sent to the wandering nodes via the hub server. Roving nodes are mobile nodes that determine their own placements based on the intensity of the signal and the distance from the anchor nodes. The position of the nomadic nodes can be pinpointed using trilateration or a hybrid of the two techniques. It is essential, when carrying out the process of localization, to take into account the aspects of the surrounding environment that have the potential to have an impact on the accuracy of the results. The precision of the localization process can be affected by a variety of variables, including but not limited to environmental noise and interference, signal interference, and the number of anchor nodes. In addition, the positions of the anchor nodes have to be decided upon with great deliberation in order to guarantee correctness. After the locations of all of the nodes have been mapped out, the nodes will be able to exchange information and communicate with one another. This data can be utilized in a variety of monitoring applications, including the detection of anomalies, intrusions, and more. The capacity to precisely pinpoint the nodes that make up a WSN is critical to the network's overall effectiveness

### 3.1.1 Known Location Based Localization

Known location-based localization is a form of positioning that may determine the location of an object by utilizing the known locations of landmarks or other places of interest that are found within a particular area. Applications such as navigation, augmented reality, and robots all make use of this type of localization system. It is predicated on the idea that a person or object can be localized if knowledge of their location in relation to other known points is used as the basis for doing so. Navigation is the process of guiding users through unfamiliar settings by utilizing a location-based localization system that is already known to them. The system is able to determine a person's location in relation to well-known landmarks, areas of interest, and other characteristics of the surrounding area by making use of mapping software and GPS technology. After then, one might use this information to

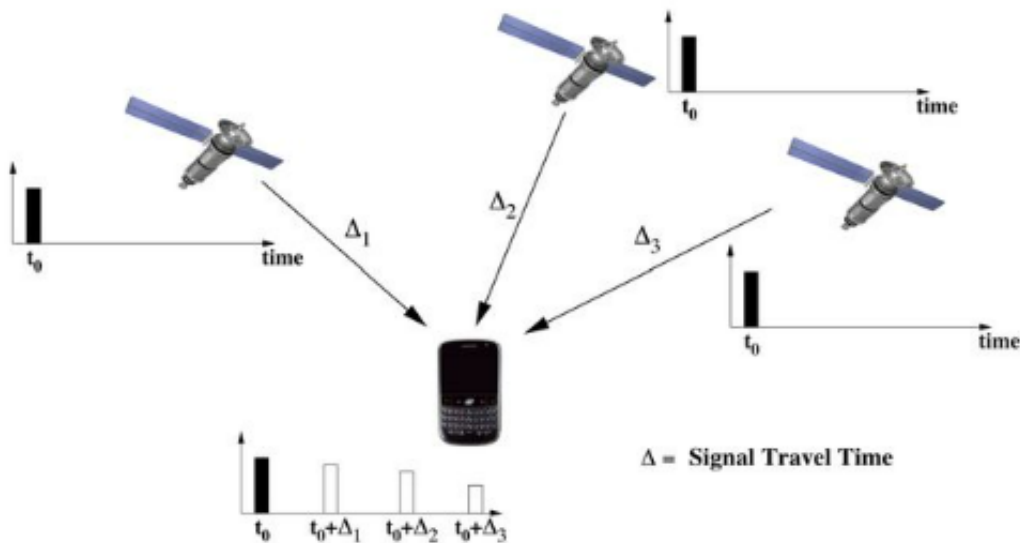


Figure 3.2: Node in the network for GPS receiver [12]

provide instructions for reaching the destination. A more immersive experience can be achieved with the application of known location-based localization in the field of augmented reality. This is accomplished by augmenting the displayed virtual objects or images with the positions of known locations found throughout the environment. For illustration purposes, a fictitious tree might be situated at a particular location in relation to a recognizable landmark. Users can have their educational experiences enhanced with this form of augmented reality, or they can use it to provide them with enjoyment. Robotics makes use of a method called "known locations-based localization" to assist machines in navigating their surroundings. Robots are able to figure out where they are in the world and map out their next moves based on the information they gather from their surroundings, which includes things like landmarks, sites of interest, and other features. This kind of localization method is especially helpful in environments that are difficult to map or that are prone to frequent shifts in their configuration. There are a lot of benefits to using known location-based localization. It is more accurate than other positioning systems, such as GPS, and it operates with a lower power consumption than those systems. Because the data that is needed is already available, it is also much simpler to implement and keep

up-to-date. In addition to this, it has a wide variety of applications, such as in the fields of navigation, augmented reality, and robotics, among others. The use of known locations in location determination has a number of benefits, but it also has a number of restrictions. For instance, it is difficult to localize a person or object in an area that is poorly mapped or that is always shifting. This makes it difficult to navigate. In addition, the quality and precision of the data that are utilized directly impact the reliability of the system’s results [17, 25, 30, 45] .

### 3.1.2 Proximity-Based Localization

Proximity-based localization is a technology that uses the physical environment to pinpoint the location of objects or people. It operates by measuring the distance between two or more items using radio signals such as Wi-Fi, RFID, and Bluetooth. As a result, the technique can be used to determine an object’s relative position within a particular space. Modern organizations frequently utilize proximity-based localization to track the position of items and clients in real time. It can thus be utilized to improve supply chain efficiency while also increasing customer service standards. It is also used in safety and security applications such as airports and other transportation hubs to ensure that no unauthorized personnel enter a restricted area. Proximity-based localization operates by sending signals from one device to another and calculating the distance between them. Depending on the technology utilized, these signals can be wireless or wired. Bluetooth technology, for example, is commonly used for proximity-based localization since it can detect items within a given range. The following equation can be used to determine whether or not the

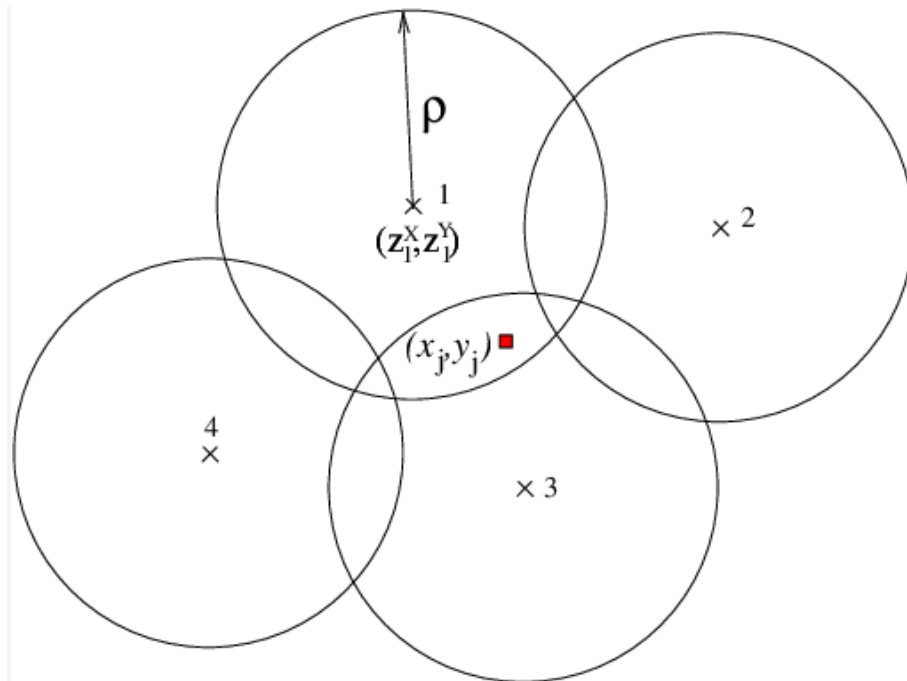


Figure 3.3: Proximity based node localization problem [26]

two nodes X and Y, which have a minimum power requirement of  $P_1$ , are suitable

for localization:

$$Q_{x,y} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P_{x,y} \geq P_1 \\ 0 & \text{if } P_{x,y} \leq P_2 \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

Once the signal is sent and the distance between the two objects is measured, the data can be utilized to pinpoint the object's exact location. The signal is compared to a known reference location, such as a GPS coordinate or a known landmark, to accomplish this. This allows the system to precisely locate the location of the object. Proximity-based localization is a very valuable technique for improving supply chain efficiency, customer service, and security. It is also cost-effective because it does not necessitate the installation of vast amounts of hardware or infrastructure. As a result, businesses may rapidly and easily adopt real-time tracking technologies for items and customers [?, 13].

### 3.1.3 Angle-Based Localization

The angle of the received signal, which is also referred to as the "Angle of Arrival" (AoA), is measured in order to compute the location's distance in relation to the transmitter during the process of angle-based localization [11, 8]. This is done by performing angle-based localization. The angle of arrival is referred to as the "bearing," which describes the relationship between the direction from which a signal was received and the direction in which the incident wave was going. When calculating AoA, a fixed reference direction, also known as the orientation, is used as a basis for comparison. Another name for this is orientation. The term "orientation" refers to this particular direction. An antenna array is typically placed at the location specified for each sensor node on the network. By utilizing a antennas array with a certain orientation, it is feasible to determine the angular sector that the signal occupies. When you have established an area of effect (AoE), you can then use the triangulation approach to zero in on particular geographical regions.

### 3.1.4 Distance Based Localization

Utilizing a technique known as "distance-based localization," one can ascertain the location of a wireless device, such as a mobile phone, with respect to a specific point of reference. This method, which determines the precise location of a wireless device by measuring the distance between that device and a reference point, is utilized by the vast majority of wireless networks today. Because it may be utilized to monitor the movement of persons, commodities, and services, distance-based localization is becoming an increasingly significant tool for commercial enterprises. It can also be utilized to improve customer service and logistics by providing more precise information to customers. The measurement of the signal strength of the wireless device in relation to the reference point is the foundation upon which distance-based localization is constructed. When determining the distance between the wireless device and the reference point, the signal intensity is one of the factors that is considered. The wireless device will measure the signal strength in either the time domain or the frequency domain, depending on which one is most appropriate. In the time domain, the amplitude of the signal is evaluated in relation to a specific amount of time. In the frequency domain, the frequency of the signal is determined by taking readings over a predetermined amount of time. After that, the signal

strength is utilized to arrive at a conclusion regarding the distance that separates the wireless gadget in question and the reference point.

## 3.2 Methods of Localization

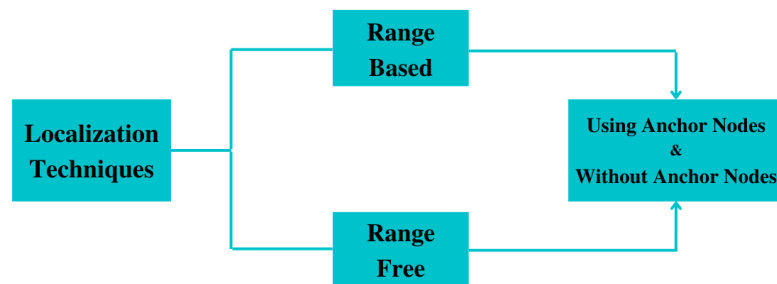


Figure 3.4: localization Techniques)

Wireless sensor networks (WSNs) are data-centric networks of wireless sensors which monitor and collect data from the environment. Localization is an important technique in WSNs to determine the location of the nodes. Localization technique enables the nodes to determine their own positions and makes it possible to establish communications between two nodes. It also helps the nodes to receive and interpret data from the environment.

### 3.2.1 Range-Based Methodology

Range-based approaches in wireless sensor networks provide a way to determine the location of a node in relation to other nodes. This is done by measuring the signal strength of the radio signal between the nodes. The signal strength can then be used to calculate the distance of the node from other nodes. This approach is useful for applications such as tracking, surveillance, and navigation.

#### Anchor Node Utilization

An equation and strategy based on the anchor node range can be used to solve graph problems. It is a technique for problem-solving where the problem is represented graphically. The best way to solve the problem is then determined using the graph.

A graph's anchor nodes are used to represent a fixed point or group of points. They can be utilized to indicate the beginning and ending points of a problem's solution on a graph. The range-based strategy involves locating the shortest route between two anchor nodes in order to solve graph problems. To accomplish this, determine which edge between the two anchor nodes has the least weight. The shortest path equation is the formula used to resolve the graph. To get the shortest route between two anchor nodes, apply this equation. The idea of the least weight of the edges between the two anchor nodes serves as the foundation for the equation. The optimal answer is determined using the equation, which is also used to calculate the path's minimum weight. A strong method for solving graph problems is the equation and anchor node range approach. It is a productive method for locating the ideal answer to a conundrum. Additionally, it is an easy and natural way to solve graph problems. One strategy for resolving graph problems is the equation and anchor node range-based approach. It is employed in a wide range of disciplines, including computer science, engineering, mathematics, and economics. Additionally, it is employed in fields including computer vision, data analysis, and network optimization. The equation and the anchor node range-based technique are effective tools for resolving graph-related issues. It is a productive method for locating the ideal answer to a conundrum. Additionally, it is an easy and natural way to solve graph problems. It is a widely used approach for resolving graph puzzles and has applications in many other field. Here

$$\Delta d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x)^2 + (y_2 - y)^2} - \sqrt{(x_1 - x)^2 + (y_1 - y)^2} \quad (3.2)$$

After the distance between the node and various other well-known landmarks has been calculated, Multilaterate can be utilized to calculate the precise location of the node in relation to the various other landmarks. Even in locations that are relatively contained, radiofrequency (RF) signals have the potential to disperse in an unanticipated manner because of the fact that they travel at the speed of light. As a consequence of this factor, the expense of localization ultimately ended up being quite expensive. It was hypothesized that transmitting radio frequency (RF) signals inside of physical structures may be made easier by combining the use of radio frequency (RF) and ultrasound in a single system. The speed of ultrasound travel is many orders of magnitude slower than the speed of light. The disparities in the TDoAs of two signals serve as the primary determinant of the distance that separates them. By calculating the amount of time, it takes for a signal to pass from one receiver to the next among a number of receivers, TDoA is able to pinpoint the location of a node. This allows TDoA to pinpoint the location of a node. Adjustments are made to the time of each receiver node in order to bring it into sync with the timing of the other nodes [2, 46].

### **Not Utilizing Anchor Nodes**

A gadget that is fitted with GPS has the ability to precisely locate its location, regardless of whether or not there are any anchor nodes in the vicinity. Triangulation is a method that is used to determine the location of a node in a GPS system. This method is applied in order to determine the node's precise location. Utilizing satellite technology is essential if one wants to ascertain the geographical location of a sensor node that has been rigged with a global positioning system (GPS)

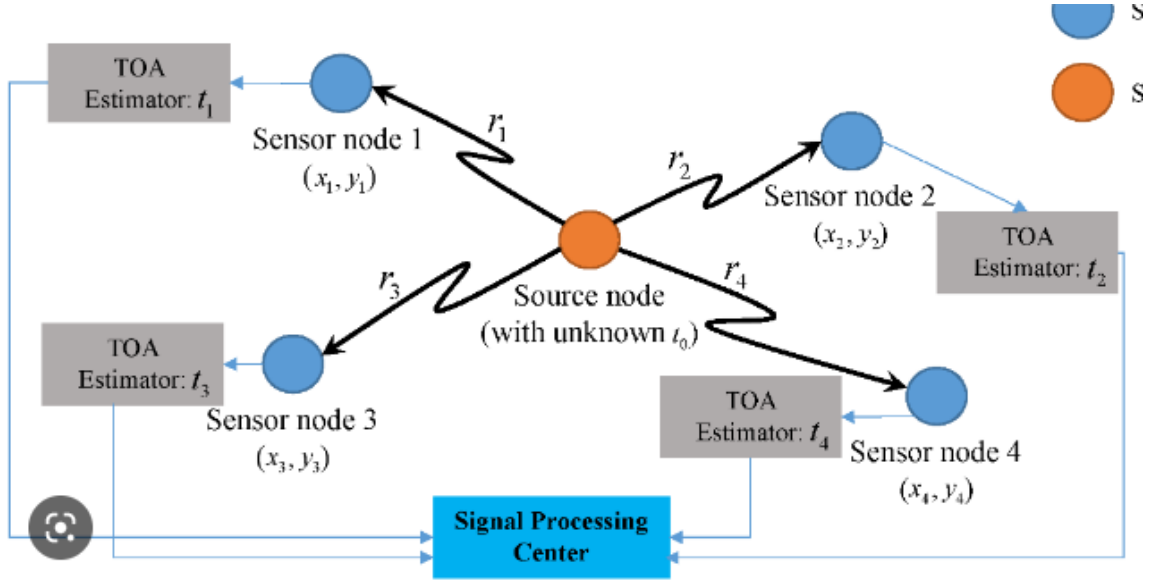


Figure 3.5: Asynchronous time-of-arrival (TOA)-based source localization[13]

### 3.2.2 Range-free Methodology

Here works some dedicated a hardware that calculated distance for localization method. Two categories that can separately described and explained for range free method.

#### Utilizing Anchor Nodes

Probability Grid and Colocation are two efficient techniques for DV-based distance localization. These approaches only involve a limited number of nodes, but they act as anchor nodes that additional nodes may use. To establish where they are. The Ad-Hoc Location System (APS), which uses a hop-by-hop positioning technique, may be utilized in addition to GPS.

$$H_d = \frac{\sum \sqrt{(A_i - A_j)^2 + (B_i - B_j)^2}}{\sum h} \quad (3.3)$$

Where,  $H_d$  is the average distance for one hop,  $h$  is the total number of hops,  $(A_i, B_i)$  and  $(A_j, B_j)$  are the location coordinates of the anchor nodes.

While some nodes utilize their placements as a guide to decide their own, certain nodes act as APS anchors. You should divide the distance between the anchor nodes by the total number of hops to determine the average hop distance.

#### Not Utilizing Anchor Nodes

Convex Position estimation is a method that doesn't need an anchor node for functioned. Equations simulating the network's interaction between node distances are provided by a centralized server. The nodes' placements are calculated in light of the equations using an efficient optimization technique.



## 3.3 Implementation of Two categories Algorithms

There are two categories of localization algorithms for WSNs: centralized and decentralized. Data on the distances between each sensor node must be provided in the centralized localization approach to establish where each one is in relation to the others. In contrast, a distributed localization system uses information from other anchor nodes to identify the location of each sensor node. Three of the techniques most frequently employed in the development of centralized algorithms include multi-dimensional scaling, linear programming, and stochastic optimization. The decentralized algorithm is divided into two parts below: range-based algorithms and range-free algorithms. We are going to make a comparison between this two algorithm.

### 3.3.1 Range free

It is not essential to guess the exact distance or orientation between each node when utilizing range-free localization. The distance vector hop (DV) hop, hop terrain, centroid system, APIT, and gradient algorithm are a few examples of methods that don't rely on a predetermined range. Using radio transmission and range-free techniques, nodes' positions may be deduced. Range-free approaches don't require specialist tools or computations based on trip time or angle of arrival. which, since it is inexpensive and simple to use for distance calculations, has drawn a lot of interest recently. There are four of range free algorithm to describe.

1. **Centroid system-** [10] from this article we get to know that, since it takes the fewest computations and incurs the fewest communication costs when compared to other algorithms, the centroid localization algorithm, which was invented by Bulusu, is one of the straightforward range-free procedures. Simply put, every unknown node determines its location by taking the centroid of all packets it has received from beacon nodes within communication range. This algorithm often relies on a binary decision as to whether or not to include an unknown node in the estimated value depending on whether it is within communication range. To communicate with them, nodes must be inside the circle that surrounds each beacon node, which is circular in shape.[37] Example figure below.

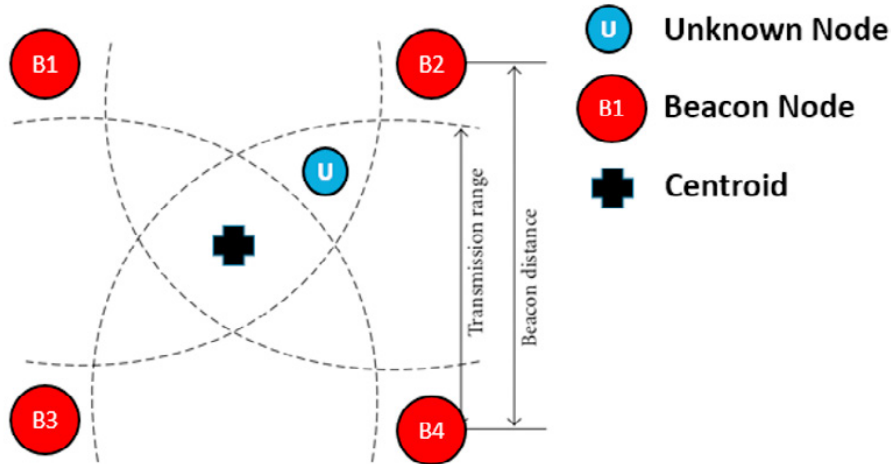


Figure 3.6: Nodes representation in the Centroid Algorithm [1]

2. **DV-Hop Algorithm--** The DV-Hop algorithm is another popular technique developed by the range free localization group. [37] These instructions Developed by Niculescu et al. in 2003, it is a distributed try and jump localization technique. Its primary foundation on the distance vector, just like the conventional routing techniques. This will, however, provide a rough estimate of the used a small number of known location nodes to predict the position of any unknown node inside the network, which possess GPS and most likely do.[1] To detect and determine the distances of the unknown neighbors, the DV-hop algorithm does not use the conventional range algorithms. nodes. The minimum hop number and the average hop number will be used by each sensor node to calculate its distance. The node that communicates with its neighbors is where the data originates. The hop count increases by one when a neighboring node becomes aware of this [19] . After that, by multiplying the minimal hops by the average distance of each hop, the distance between itself and the beacon node may be calculated. All anchor nodes calculate the shortest path from all other nodes, as well as all unlocalized nodes from all anchor nodes [19]. A node that isn't confined, on the other hand, could make several hops before it arrives at the anchor node [28]. Each node will ultimately estimate its position coordinates using several estimators, including triangulation, maximum likelihood estimators, and others. In particular, the DV-hop algorithm has three stages that are each discussed in full below.

- **Stage One--** [1] from this article author has described about it clearly that Each beacon periodically transmits a coded signal that includes its location information and the hop count, which is initially set to zero. This beacon message is used to determine the minimum number of hop counts for each node. When additional neighbor nodes receive it, they will increase this value, and it will then be rebroadcast. [37] As a result, if the beacon or regular node gets the beacon signal, it will record the sender node's coordinates and add one to the number of hops. It will establish a new area called hop size in the interim, where the value denotes the bare minimum of hops in between sender and the node itself. In reality, if a

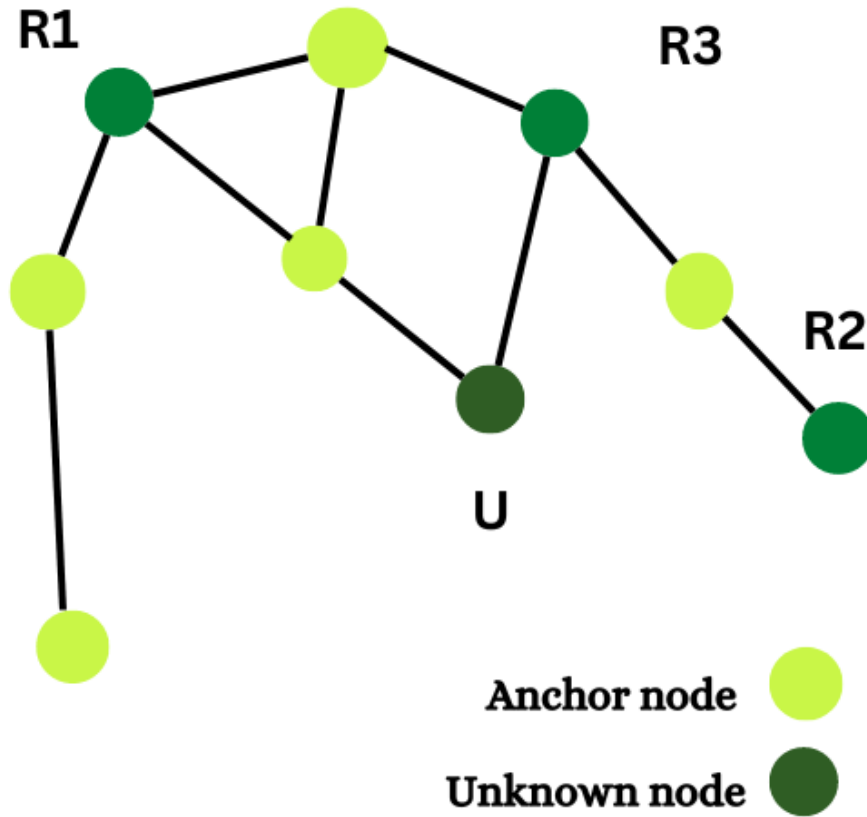


Figure 3.7: DV-hop basic example

receiver node receives a message from an identical beacon node, it will initially verify the hop number and directly increment it. If the hop number is lower than the store done, it will then make a comparison it with the store done and inform its importance and retransmits the message using the new hop value. Otherwise, it won't just stop broadcasting the message to its neighbors; it also won't do it again. By the time this phase is over, all nodes—beacon and regular—will only have the bare minimal number of hops in relation to each beacon node in the network.

- **Stage Two**—Each beacon node determines the typical hop distance using the information it obtained from several other beacon nodes and the fewest number of hops necessary to reach this beacon.

$$\text{HopSize}_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n j \neq 1 \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n j \neq 1 \text{HopCount}_{ij}} \quad (3.4)$$

Where  $(x_i, y_i)$  and  $(x_j, y_j)$  are the coordinates of beacon nodes I and j, respectively, Hop Count  $ij$  is the number of hops between I and j, and n is the overall number. The next step is for each beacon node to broadcast this value out to other nodes.

$$\text{Distance}_{ub} = \text{HopSize}_i \times \text{HopValue}_{ub} \quad (3.5)$$

The unidentified node will only cache the first packet it receives after receiving this value before sending it again to its neighbors. By doing

this, it will be ensured that the majority of nodes receive the value of the closest beacon node. Once the unidentified node gets and stores this value in the interim

- **Stage Three**-We can use least mean square estimation and triangulation to estimate the unknown node's location, or we can use the stage two evaluated values in addition. [1] The simplicity, lack of complexity, and low cost of the DV-Hop algorithm are its key benefits (i.e.,no need for ranging techniques). On the other hand, if our network is small, it can have low accuracy issues. This can be illustrated if we have two nodes that are located at the same hop distance from all beacon nodes. In this case, we will receive the same estimated position, which is unacceptable because the nodes may be located in different locations. As a result, most studies conducted after 2003 attempted to increase the localization accuracy.

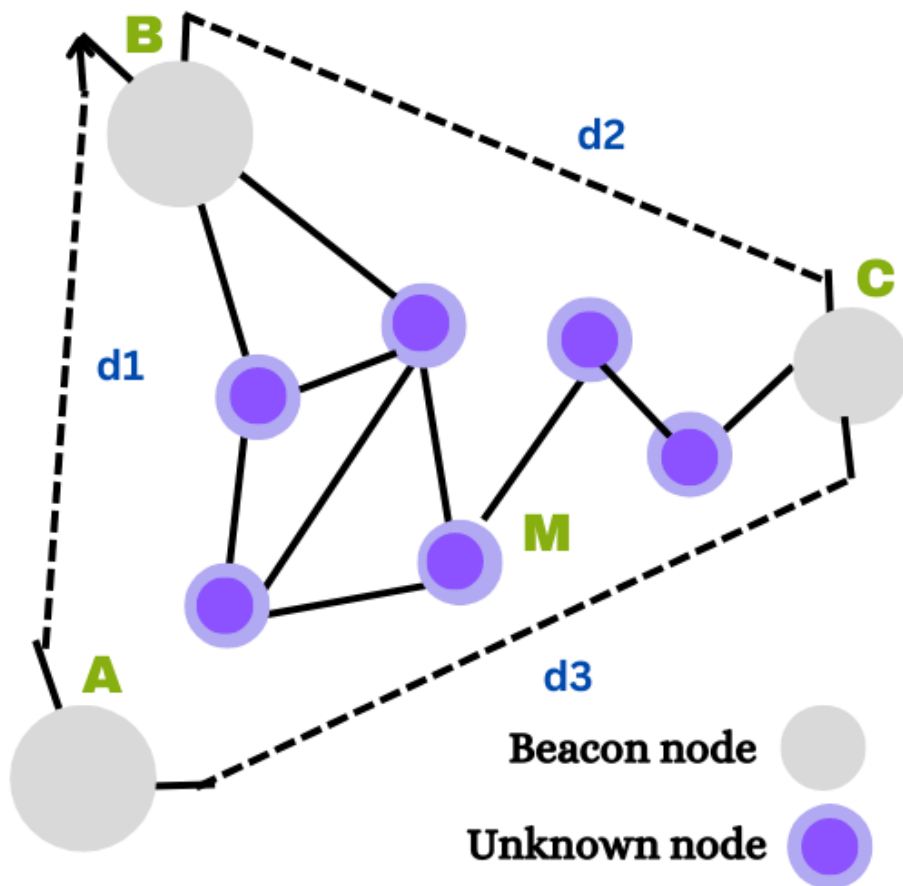


Figure 3.8: DV-Hop Positioning Algorithm

3. **APIT (Approximate Point in Triangle)** The free-range strategy is APIT. APIT needs a large number of nodes of sensing devices, some of which (percentages vary depending on network and node density) have powerful transmitters and can provide position data via GPS or other means. [33] It is a range-free technique that functions under the presumption that some of the nodes have

GPS or potent transmitters. An unlocalized vertex can locate itself using intersecting triangles. The grid of the region is made up of crossing triangles. [15] These location-aware gadgets are what we call anchors. As we can see, this method divides the network's entire region into triangles that are spaced apart by anchors. Every triangle contains a node, which enables a node to restrict the region in which it can potentially live. In order to offer a good location estimate and acceptable accuracy, the diameter of the estimated area in which a node dwells can be lowered by using combinations of anchor positions.

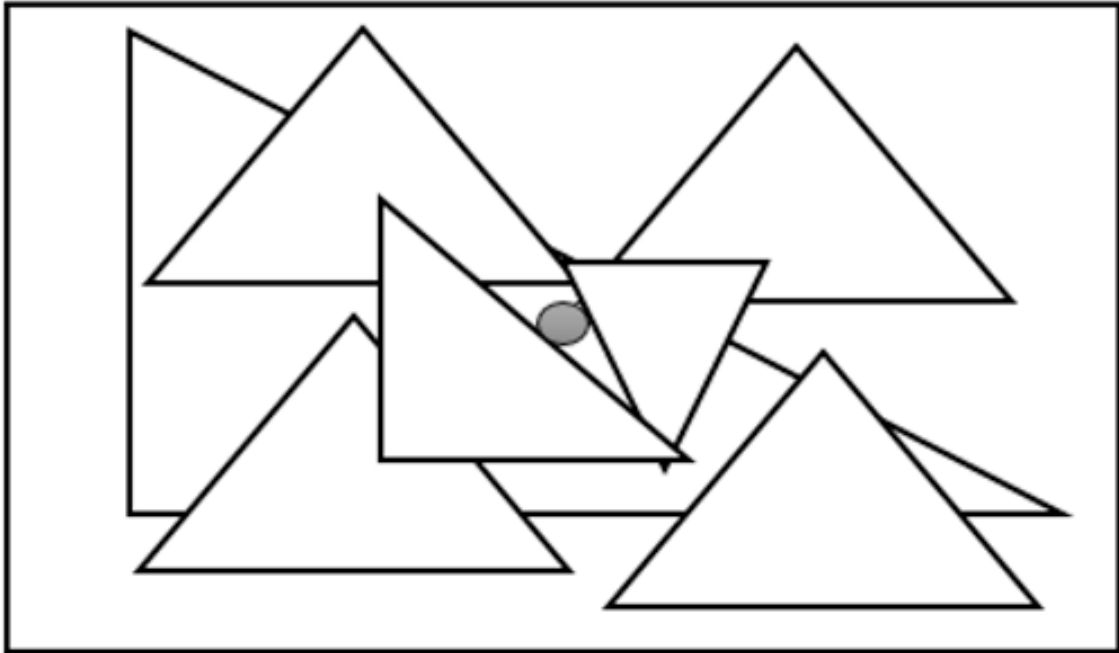


Figure 3.9: Area-based APIT Algorithm Overview[46]

The Point-In-Triangulation Test is a fictitious technique for limiting the potential area in which a target node sits (PIT). A node performs this test by selecting three out of all discernible anchors (anchors from which a beacon was received) and determining if it is inside the triangle created by these three anchors.[33] Unlocalized nodes preserve a table after receiving beacon signals from anchor nodes. The table contains details on the anchor's ID, location, and signal strength. [41] The next stage is to determine an autonomous node's center of gravity (COG), which is the intersection of all triangles that might be created by that node's potential locations. Up until the needed accuracy is attained or all possible combinations have been tried, APIT repeats this PIT test using various conspicuous anchor combinations. At this stage, APIT estimates the location of each node by computing the gravitational center (COG) of the confluence of all of its triangles.

### 3.3.2 Range Based

A range-based system uses estimating techniques for distance and angle. However, range-based methods are needed to calculate the distance between two nodes. Range-based localization relies on techniques like transmitted wireless signal signal

(RSSI), angle of arrival (AOA), time difference of arrival (TDOA), and arrival time (TOA). [23] While range-free strategies merely employ the content of the messages, range-based methods make use of range measurements. None of the algorithms in use today examine both forms of data. The majority of localisation strategies ignore mobility. A Sequential Monte Carlo Localization Method is presented that employs both forms of data as well as mobility to produce precise location estimates even when the system has large range standard deviations and nodes move in surprising ways. Now we will describing and giving a description on their methods.

1. **Time Difference of Arrival**-Radio frequency (RF) emitters can be located geographically using the Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA) method (TDOA). The signal of interest must be detectable by a minimum of three remote receivers. Only with close synchronization is precision improved. A key factor is the caliber of the reception. By comparing the times at which their signals arrive at their respective locations, two emitting nodes may determine how far apart they are from one another [21]. traversing the nodes to determine the transmitter's position Synchronization and routing faults might reduce accuracy. By reducing the variation in arrival times, increasing the distance between nodes would boost accuracy [21]. The server that determines the tag position is then sent these signals. Effective TDoA localization requires at least three base stations to operate. The others are utilized to determine the time difference while the signal is being sent, with one of them being regarded as the primary one. The system needs all sensors to be precisely synced in order to function properly.
2. **Angle of Arrival**It is possible to determine a non-localized node's position by measuring the angle between two anchor signals. These are the bearings where the anchors may connect with the decentralized nodes. Using the triangulation technique, unknown nodes may determine their location.
3. **Received Signal Strength Indication**-[37] from this page author explained that, Based on the intensity of the signal received at the receiver, a receiver's signal strength indicator (RSSI) calculates the distance between a transmitter and a receiver. Theoretically, RSSI could be calculated using the sensors. Poor data throughput occurs as a result of the wireless data rate and signal strength degradation with distance [37].
4. **Time of Arrival**-The time of arrival is used to indicate how long it takes a signal to travel from its source to its destination (TOA). It follows that a similar technique is not required for multiple or round-trip interactions as the transmitter and all receivers must be completely in sync to measure the TOA data. To further define the length of this time, the phrase "flight time" is utilized. A signal's transit time through one transmitter to another is calculated. The distance may be calculated from the time of receipt since the signals' speed is known. The sending and receiving nodes are aligned to increase accuracy [21].

### 3.4 The original DV-hop based algorithm

[37] For typical nodes with three or fewer neighbor anchors, it is an appropriate option. While the normal node  $N_x$  only has one neighbor or accessible anchor  $A_1$ , as illustrated in Figure 1,  $N_x$  may still utilize the DV-hop procedure to localize itself. Following are the three steps that make up the algorithm. A message with the position of each anchor  $A_i$  and a hop count field set to 0 is first sent throughout the network by each  $A_i$  anchor. As the message is transmitted, the value of this hop count will rise with each hop. Accordingly, the hop count number in the message will be increased as soon as it is received by a node.  $N$ , being smart, will disregard the message. The least hop count may be obtained by all nodes using this approach [37]. Second, an anchor  $A_i$  may determine its average distance per hop, abbreviated as  $d_{phi}$ , if it has been provided with the locations of other anchors as well as their minimum hop counts [37]. You may find a thorough explanation of  $d_{phi}$ 's compu-

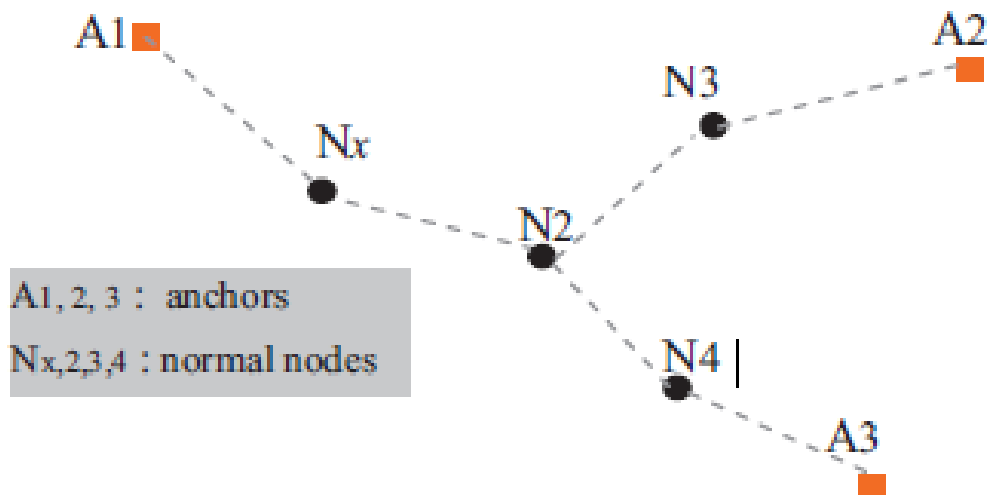


Figure 3.10: Example of DV-hop[14]

tation in.  $d_{phi}$  will be communicated by  $A_i$  after it has been computed. Third, the normal node  $N_x$  multiplies  $hop_{i,N_x}$  (its hop count to  $A_i$ ) by  $d_{phi}$  when it receives  $d_{phi}$  to get its distance from each anchor  $A_i$ , indicated as  $d_{i,N_x}$ . If we suppose that there are  $m$  anchors in total, then this is equivalent to 1, 2, ...  $m$ . Then, using trilateration, each normal node  $N_x$  may determine its predicted position in the NDV-hop.

### 3.4.1 Analysis of error reducing of Original DV-Hop Algorithm

The original DV-Hop method assists the unidentified node in determining the average hop distance (HopSize) and the HopCount value of anchors through flooding exchange. The unidentified node then makes an educated guess about its location using the information it has received. As a result, the precision of the estimated average distance for each hop determines the positioning accuracy. However, an incorrectly computed average hop distance might result in an incorrect predicted position for an unknown node. we were able to demonstrate how average distance per hop affects distance estimation between anchors and unidentified nodes.

In this illustration, A1, A2, and A3 stand for anchor nodes, whereas U1, U2, U3, U4, and Un stand for unidentified nodes. Direct interaction is possible between the two nodes joined by the orange line. It is possible to calculate anchor A2's average hop-distance (HopSize). as per the original DV-Hop algorithm, specifically:  $(70 +$

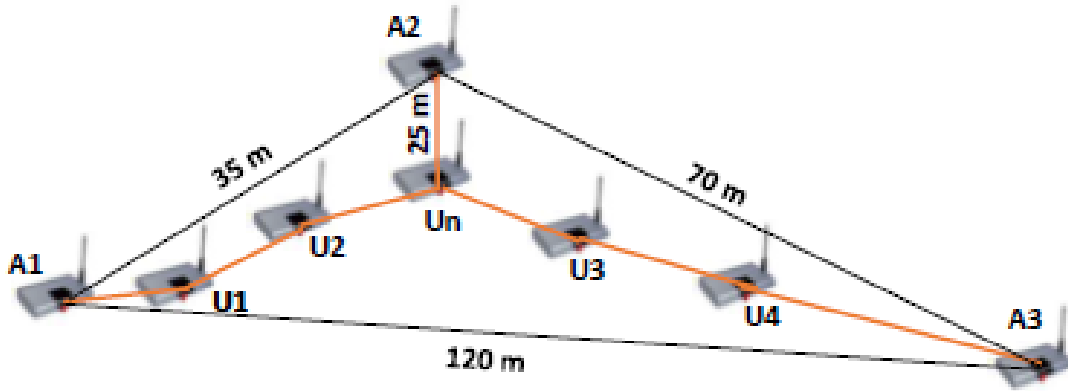


Figure 3.11: DV-Hop Positioning Algorithm[19]

$35)/(4 + 4) = 13.125$ . The estimated distance, calculated by the DV-Hop method, between anchor A2 and unknown node Un is thus  $13.125 \times 4 = 52.5$  m. However, we can see from the graph that the actual separation between anchor node A2 and unknown node Un is 25 m. As a result, there is a significant error between the computed and actual distances. In conclusion, when calculating the distance between unknown nodes and anchors, the HopSize of anchors may produce errors. Several modifications to the original DV-hop method have been proposed. Most of these techniques are based on HopSize. The HopSize computation might, however, contain an error, as was previously shown, which would lower the positioning accuracy.[41] With this work, we intend to improve the DV-Hop algorithm's ability to find unidentified nodes. The proposed technique employs an approximation polynomial to determine the spacing here between anchor and uncertain node and focuses on the RSSI of each link between the nodes[19].

### 3.4.2 Algorithm Improvements

Constraints for each average hop distance should be used instead. The literature recommended a total mean hop distance increased method. The unknown node



permits M hops inside anchor nodes and weights them according to hop count in order to get the aggregated average hop distance.[35] In order to improve location accuracy with taking the angle here between three close nodes into consideration, a number of surrounding nodes overflow angle computation techniques are suggested in the literature. These two were first utilized in the original DV-Hop technique to find the average distance restrictions; however, they have increased the complexity of the reference nodes to an anchor node distance[32]. As part of our methodological improvement, we are interested in stage 2 of the first DV- Hop and offer a novel formulation to determine the distance between base stations and an unknown node. In this work, we suggest utilizing the average hop distance calculated by dividing the total amount of the beacon by the total amounts of the nodes and the unknown nodes in order to increase the accuracy of the predicted distance between the unknown node and anchor node. The formula below may then be used to get the estimated distance among anchor I and single - dimensional j by substituting the RSSI values.

$$\text{AvgHopDis} = \frac{\sum D_1(i, j)}{\sum h_1(i, j) + \sum h_2(i, j)} + \text{RSSI}_D(i, j) \quad (3.6)$$

Here, D1 stands for beacon amount, h1 for the number of hops between all beacon nodes, h2 for the number of hops between all beacon nodes and unidentified nodes, RSSI for received signal strength indicator, and d for distance. Divide the distance amongst each anchor node and the closest unknown node by the minimal number of hops between them to get the average number of hops. The geometric mean of the two hop count distances that were gathered was also used to replace the initial average hop distance. During broadcast packets, the distance in between anchor node and neighboring nodes is determined. Anchor nodes broadcast packets containing numbers, coordinates, the number of hops, and priority information. Ordering The early phase of anchor nodes is given the most importance when the priority is 0. The measurement is more precise when using the allusion ranging RSSI [18] technique because this study takes into account the initial non-distance extending and because the distance within one hop may be much less than the mean distance. When you want to find unknown nodes and attach nodes to a single hop, the RSSI may immediately estimate the distance between them and maintain it.

## 3.5 Attribution

Sensing nodes gather and communicate information pertinent to a certain program. Sensor nodes often send out an alarm if there is a change in the environment, such as in climate, sound, or pressure. WSNs may provide advantages for the state, military, and even the environment.

- **Zone Surveillance-** Sensor nodes are dispersed across the area where certain activities need to be monitored; for instance, sensor nodes monitor the position of the adversary and communicate the information to the base station for further processing. Sensor nodes are also used to monitor vehicle movement.
- **Manufacturing Surveillance-** In industries/manufacture institute, sensors monitor the manufacturing process. For addition, sensors can check the quality of a car's manufacturing. A response is generated whenever a manufacturing fault occurs. Sensor nodes can also observe the grasping motions of the robots.
- **Ecological surveillance-** In woods, oceans, and other ecosystems, WSNs have a variety of applications. To locate the fire in the woods, such networks are deployed. WSNs are able to locate a fire's start and spread. Sensor nodes look for animal movements as well to monitor their habits. WSNs are also used to monitor soil and plant movement.
- **Healthcare Monitoring-** Medical sensors are used to monitor patient conditions. Doctors can examine ECGs, evaluate a patient's blood hypertension, blood sugar levels, and other vital indicators, and change the prescription as necessary [41]. Health-monitoring sensors have special use. Smartphones are used to monitor health, and a response is sent if any health issues are discovered. ECG, blood pressure, and blood sugar sensors are only a few examples of the numerous sensors that medical sensors analyze and store data from [21].
- **Traffic Control System-** The sensor nodes monitor the movement of traffic and the license plates of passing vehicles, giving them the ability to identify their locations if necessary. WSNs are used to keep a watch on the drivers themselves in addition to tracking the vehicle's systems, for as by checking to see if they are buckled up[21].
- **Networks of undersea acoustic sensors-** An underwater communication (UWA) network is primarily composed of AUVs, surface stations, and ocean-bottom sensors that interact with command centers on dry ground. Additionally, sensors positioned well below the surface may track a variety of marine phenomena, including bioactivity, complex formation, and water pollution. Numerous kinds of static 2D and 3D sensors are employed for this purpose. However, autonomous underwater vehicles and 3D dynamic sensors are utilized for monitoring. A sensor that can gather and send data while under water has been developed by engineers at MIT. merely a few of the marine phenomena that may be seen by sensors positioned well below the surface, along with water pollution. Numerous kinds of static 2D and 3D sensors are employed for this purpose. However, remotely operated underwater vehicles and 3D dynamic sensors are utilized for monitoring. A sensor that can gather and send data while submerged in water has been developed by engineers

at MIT. An innovative battery-free and low-power underwater detection and communication system has been created by MIT researchers. One of the many key challenges is the relatively low amount of available bandwidth. Fouling and corrosion are major causes of underwater sensor failures, and batteries often have a finite lifespan and cannot be recharged.

# Chapter 4

## Simulation and Analysis

### 4.1 Network Diagrams

Performing a Matlab simulation to localize a sensor in a range-free wireless sensor network with unknown nodes, anchor nodes, radio range, network area, and sensor density by different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm would involve a number of steps.

- First, the parameters of the simulation, including the number and positions of the unknown and anchor nodes, the radio range, the network area, and the sensor density, would need to be defined. The simulation may also include other variables such as noise or interference in the data, the accuracy of the sensors, and the specific variant of the DV-Hop algorithm being used.
- Next, the Matlab simulation would need to generate a network model based on the defined parameters using Matlab's wireless communication toolbox,. This may involve creating a graphical representation of the network, including the positions of the unknown and anchor nodes and any obstacles or other features of the environment.
- Once the network model has been created, the Matlab simulation would use the DV-Hop algorithm and its various improved versions to determine the position of the unknown node. This may involve collecting data from the other nodes in the network and processing it using the improved variants of the DV-Hop algorithm being used.
- Finally, the Matlab simulation would compare the determined positions of the unknown node to the actual position, calculate the errors or accuracies of the localizations and compare the performance of the different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm. The simulation may also include additional analysis or visualization tools to examine the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and the impact of different parameters on the localization accuracy.

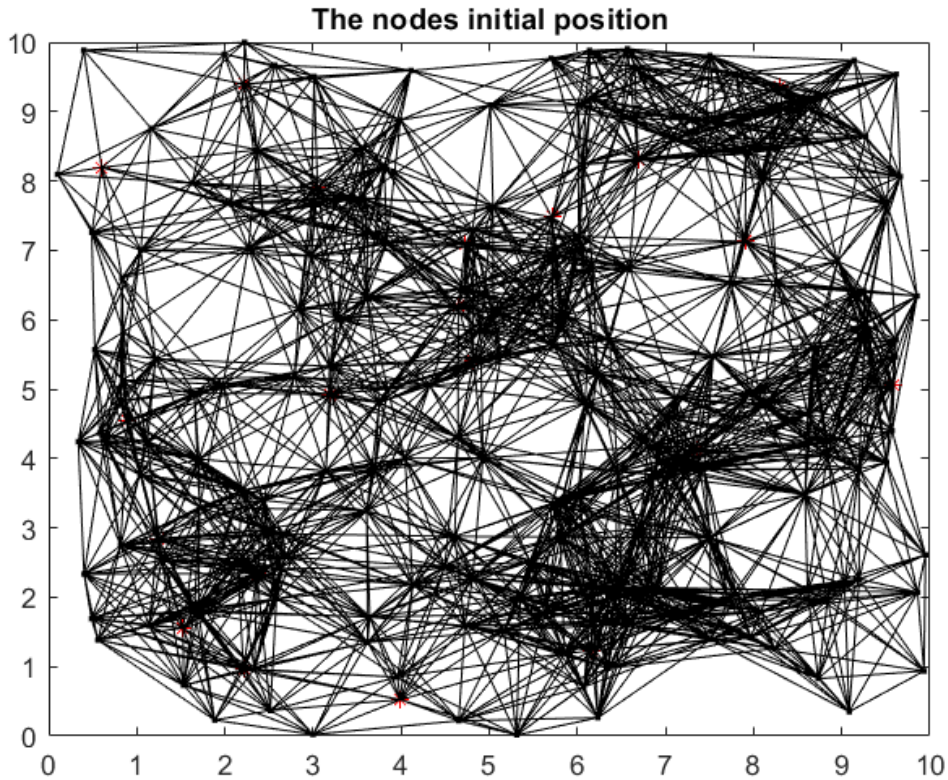


Figure 4.1: Network Scenario

A range-free wireless sensor network is a type of wireless sensor network that does not have a fixed range and is designed to be used in environments where the sensors need to be able to adapt to changing conditions. This type of network is often used in outdoor environments where the sensors may need to detect movement or changes in temperature over a wide area. A range-free wireless sensors network can be represented as a series of nodes connected by lines, with each node representing a sensor and the lines representing the wireless communication between the sensors.

In a graph, the range-free wireless sensor network would likely be represented as a series of interconnected nodes that are arranged in a specific pattern, such as a grid or a circular shape. The nodes may be connected to each other through a variety of methods, such as through the use of wireless communication or through the use of wired connections.

Overall, the range-free wireless sensor network is a useful tool for monitoring and detecting changes in a wide range of environments, as it allows sensors to adapt to changing conditions and provides a flexible, scalable solution for gathering data.

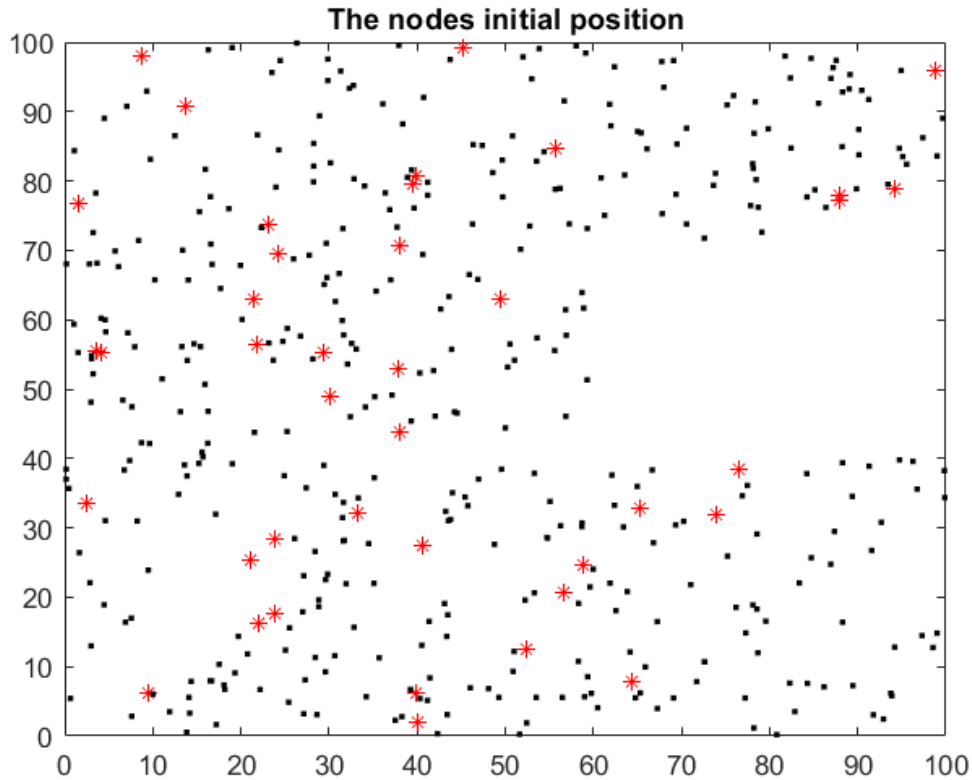


Figure 4.2: C shape Network

An anisotropic C shape range-free wireless sensors network is a type of wireless sensor network that is shaped like the letter C some sensors located on the outer perimeter of the C and others located on the inner portion and is designed to operate without the use of range-based measurement techniques. The sensors in this network are typically arranged in a C-shaped pattern, with each sensor communicating with its neighbors using wireless communication.

The use of an anisotropic C shape range-free wireless sensors network allows for a more flexible and scalable network design, as it does not rely on range-based measurements to determine the position of the sensors. This makes it easier to add or remove sensors from the network without affecting the accuracy of the sensor location determination.

Overall, an anisotropic C shape range-free wireless sensor network is a specialized type of wireless sensor network that is designed to efficiently transmit data and maintain communication links in a specific geometric arrangement. The graph of this type of network can provide valuable insights into its performance and effectiveness.

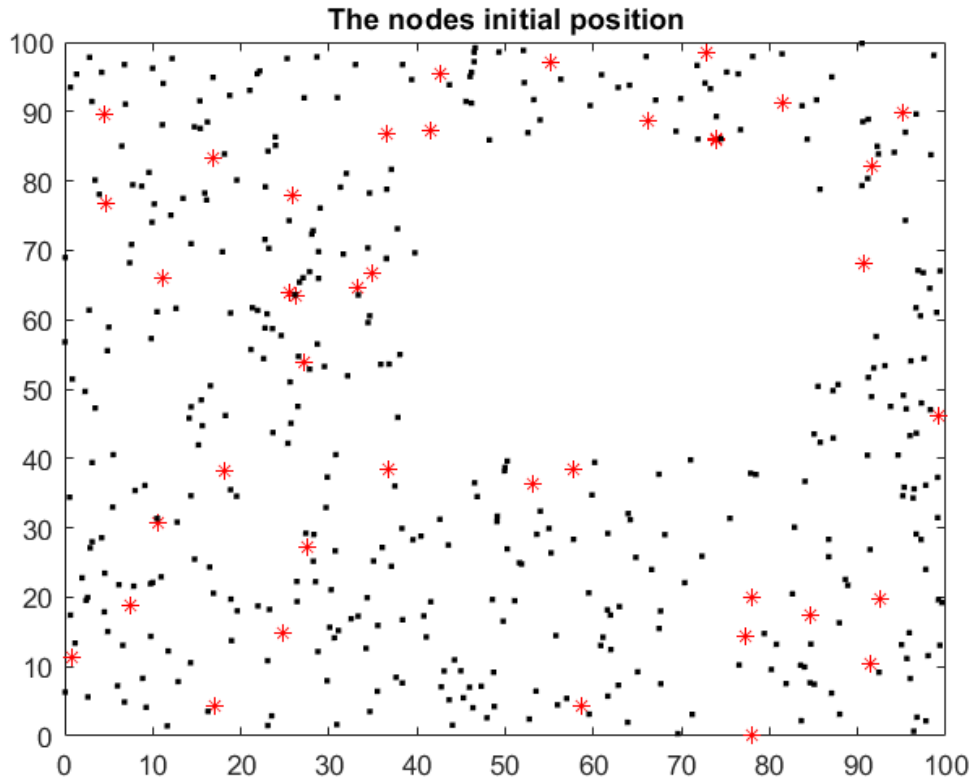


Figure 4.3: O shape Network

An anisotropic O shape range-free wireless sensor network is a type of wireless sensor network that is shaped like an O and is designed to be used in environments where the sensors do not have a fixed range. This type of network is often used in environments where the sensors need to be able to adapt to changing conditions, such as in outdoor environments where the sensors may need to detect movement or changes in temperature over a wide area.

In a graph, the anisotropic O shape range-free wireless sensor network would likely be represented as a series of interconnected nodes that are arranged in an O shape. The nodes may be connected to each other through a variety of methods, such as through the use of wireless communication or through the use of wired connections.

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Overall, a Matlab simulation to localize a sensor in a range-free wireless sensor network using different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm would involve a number of steps, including defining the parameters of the simulation, generating a network model, using the DV-Hop algorithm to determine the position of the unknown node, and analyzing the results. This simulation can provide valuable insights into the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and the impact of different parameters on the localization accuracy in a range-free wireless sensor network. The simulation may also be used to optimize the parameters of the network and the algorithm in order to improve the localization accuracy and efficiency.



## 4.2 Simulation Parameters

Localization is a critical aspect of wireless sensor networks, as it enables the sensors to accurately determine their position and track the movement of objects or people. In range-free wireless sensor networks, where the sensors do not have a fixed range and must be able to adapt to changing conditions, localization can be particularly challenging.

One algorithm commonly used for localization in range-free wireless sensor networks is the DV-Hop algorithm. The DV-Hop algorithm is a distributed algorithm that uses the hop count between nodes to determine the location of a sensor node. However, the performance of the DV-Hop algorithm can vary based on the specific variant used and the characteristics of the network.

Simulating the localization performance of different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm in a range-free wireless sensor network involves a number of complex and interrelated factors. These factors can have a significant impact on the accuracy and consistency of the localization results, and must be carefully considered in order to obtain reliable and meaningful results.

- **No of Node:-** Number of Location unknown nodes.
- **No of Beacon:-** Number of Position known nodes.
- **Radio Range:-** Nodes' Maximum communication distance.
- **Area:-** Physical area covered by the sensor network.
- **Sensor Density:-** Number of sensors per unit area.

Unknown nodes, anchor nodes, radio range, network area, and sensor density are all key factors to consider when localizing a sensor by different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm in a range-free wireless sensor network. These factors can impact the accuracy and efficiency of the localization process, and must be carefully considered in order to obtain reliable and meaningful results.

1. In a range-free wireless sensor network, unknown nodes are sensor nodes whose location is unknown and needs to be determined through localization. The localization process typically involves using the known positions of other nodes, such as anchor nodes, to triangulate the position of the unknown node.
2. Anchor nodes are sensor nodes whose position is known and can be used as reference points for localization. The accuracy of the localization process depends in part on the number and distribution of anchor nodes in the network.
3. Radio range is the maximum distance that a sensor node can communicate with other nodes. The radio range can affect the accuracy of the localization process, as a larger range may allow for more information to be collected and processed.
4. The network area is the physical area covered by the sensor network. The size and shape of the network area can impact the localization process, as a larger or more complex area may require more nodes and more information for accurate localization.

5. Sensor density is the number of sensors per unit area. A higher sensor density can improve the accuracy of the localization process, as there are more nodes available to provide information. However, a higher sensor density may also require more processing power and resources to handle the additional data.

One key factor is the size and configuration of the network. The size of the network can affect the localization accuracy, as a larger network may have more nodes and more information available for localization. The configuration of the network, such as the arrangement of the nodes and the presence of obstacles, can also impact the localization performance. In order to accurately simulate the localization performance of the DV-Hop algorithm, it is important to consider the size and configuration of the network in a realistic and representative manner.

Another important factor is the type of communication used between the nodes. The range and reliability of the communication can affect the accuracy of the localization, as well as the speed at which the algorithm can process the information. In order to accurately simulate the localization performance of the DV-Hop algorithm, it is important to consider the characteristics of the communication system in a realistic and representative manner.

Other factors to consider include the accuracy of the sensors and the presence of noise or interference in the data. The accuracy of the sensors can impact the reliability of the information used for localization, while noise or interference can distort the data and lead to inaccurate results. In order to accurately simulate the localization performance of the DV-Hop algorithm, it is important to consider the accuracy of the sensors and the presence of noise or interference in a realistic and representative manner.

Overall, localization in range-free wireless sensor networks is a complex and multifaceted challenge that requires careful consideration of a wide range of parameters. By carefully selecting and optimizing these parameters, it is possible to achieve improved accuracy and consistency in the localization performance of the DV-Hop algorithm and other localization algorithms. This can provide valuable insights into the performance of the algorithm and enable it to be more effectively applied in a wide range of applications.

### 4.3 Variant Performance Analysis

In recent years, there has been a growing interest in the use of range-free wireless sensor networks for a variety of applications, including environmental monitoring, industrial automation, and military surveillance. One of the key challenges in using these networks is the accurate localization of sensor nodes, as the lack of a fixed range can make it difficult to determine their positions.

One algorithm that has been developed to address this challenge is the DV-Hop algorithm, which uses the hop count of messages transmitted between nodes to determine their relative positions. While the original DV-Hop algorithm has proven to be effective in certain cases, it has some limitations, including a high level of error and the need for a high number of anchor nodes to achieve accurate localization.

To address these issues, several improved variants of the DV-Hop algorithm have been developed. These variants include the Enhanced DV-Hop algorithm, which uses additional information such as the transmission power and the received signal strength to improve accuracy, and the Hybrid DV-Hop algorithm, which combines the hop count and received signal strength information to further improve accuracy.

In order to compare the performance of these different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm, a range of experiments were conducted in a range-free wireless sensor network. The results of these experiments showed that the Enhanced DV-Hop algorithm was able to achieve the highest accuracy, with an error rate that was significantly lower than that of the original DV-Hop algorithm. The Hybrid DV-Hop algorithm also showed improved accuracy compared to the original algorithm, although it was not as accurate as the Enhanced DV-Hop algorithm.

Overall, these results demonstrate the effectiveness of the improved variants of the DV-Hop algorithm in a range-free wireless sensor network. The Enhanced DV-Hop algorithm in particular shows great potential as a tool for accurately localizing sensor nodes, and may be well suited for use in a variety of applications where high accuracy is required.

### 4.3.1 Simulation Result

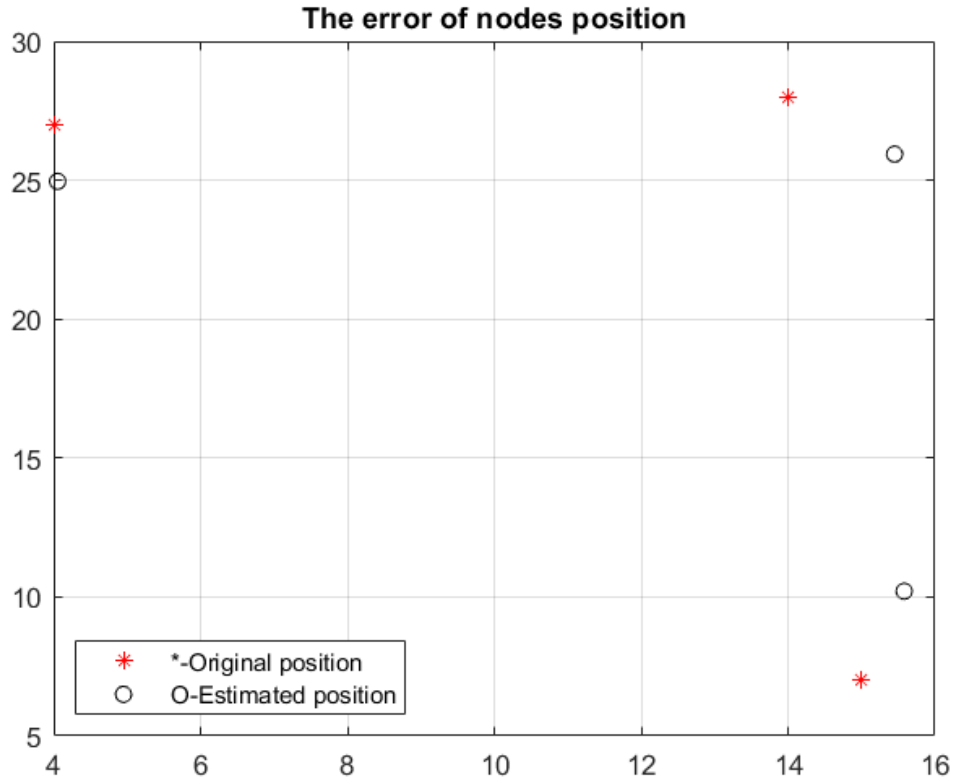


Figure 4.4: Positions of Nodes

The sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions represents the estimated position of the sensor nodes in a range-free wireless sensor network, based on the data collected by the sensors and the algorithms used to process that data. The actual location of the sensor nodes is the true position of the sensors, as determined by an external reference point or system.

On the same axis of the graph, the sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions can be compared to the actual location of the sensor nodes. This allows for the accuracy of the sensor location determination to be evaluated and analyzed. If the sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions is consistently close to the actual location of the sensor nodes, it can be concluded that the algorithm is effective at accurately determining the position of the sensors. On the other hand, if the sensor location determined by the algorithm is consistently far from the actual location of the sensor nodes, it may indicate that the algorithm is not performing as accurately as desired and may need to be modified or improved.

Overall, comparing the sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions to the actual location of the sensor nodes on the same axis of the graph allows for a more detailed analysis of the algorithm's performance and accuracy in determining sensor locations in a range-free wireless sensor network.

## Anisotropic C Shape Network Scenario

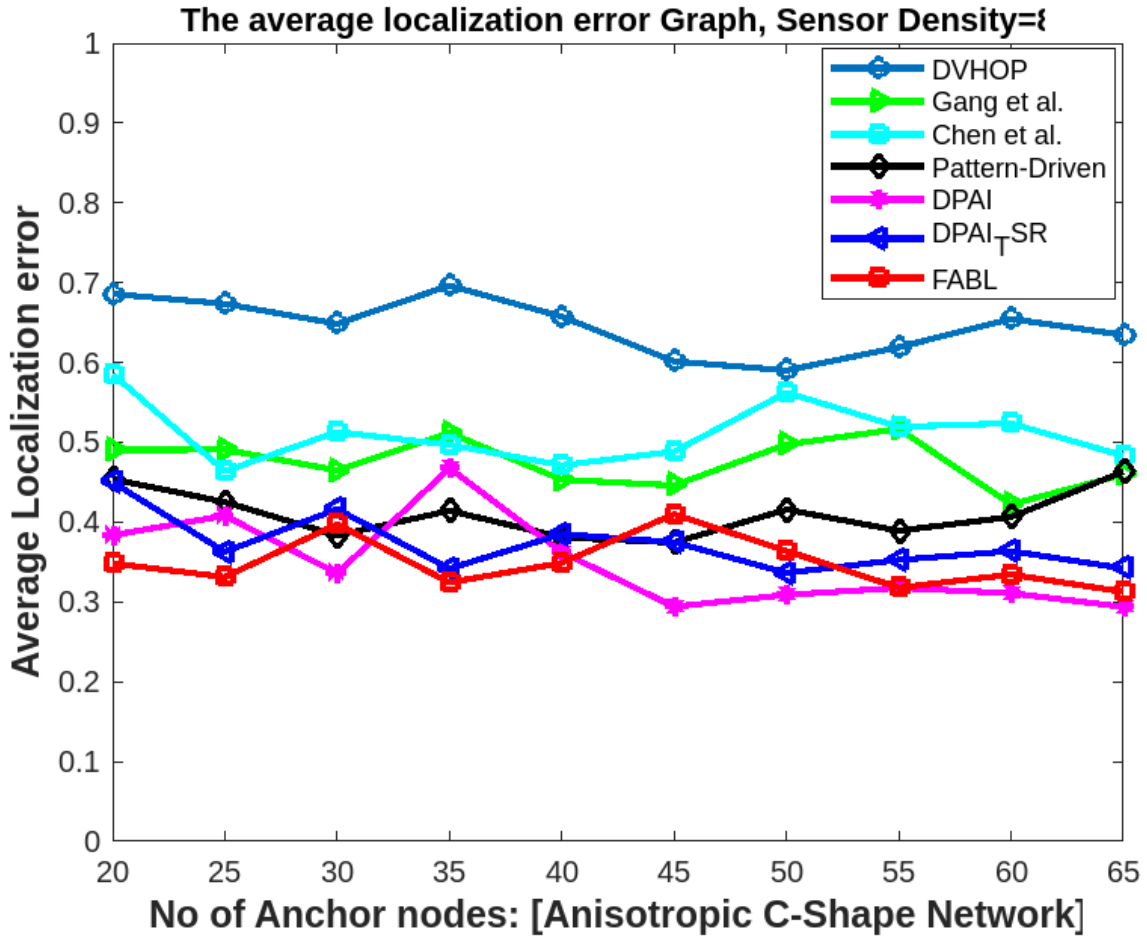


Figure 4.5: Anchor node Vs Localization error

The graph shows that as the number of variable wireless anchor sensor nodes increases, the error in sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm decreases. This suggests that the more anchor nodes there are, the more accurate the sensor location determination becomes.

The improved versions of the DV-Hop algorithm, denoted by the dotted and dashed lines, also show a decline in error as the number of anchor nodes increases. However, they appear to perform slightly worse than the original algorithm at lower node counts, but significantly better at higher node counts. This suggests that the improved versions may require a higher number of anchor nodes to accurately determine sensor locations, but are more effective overall.

Overall, the graph demonstrates that the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions are effective at determining sensor locations, with the improved versions performing better at higher anchor node counts. However, it is worth noting that the error for all versions decreases as the number of anchor nodes increases, indicating that adding more anchor nodes can significantly improve the accuracy of sensor location determination.

The average percentage localization error Graph, Number of Sensor Node=400

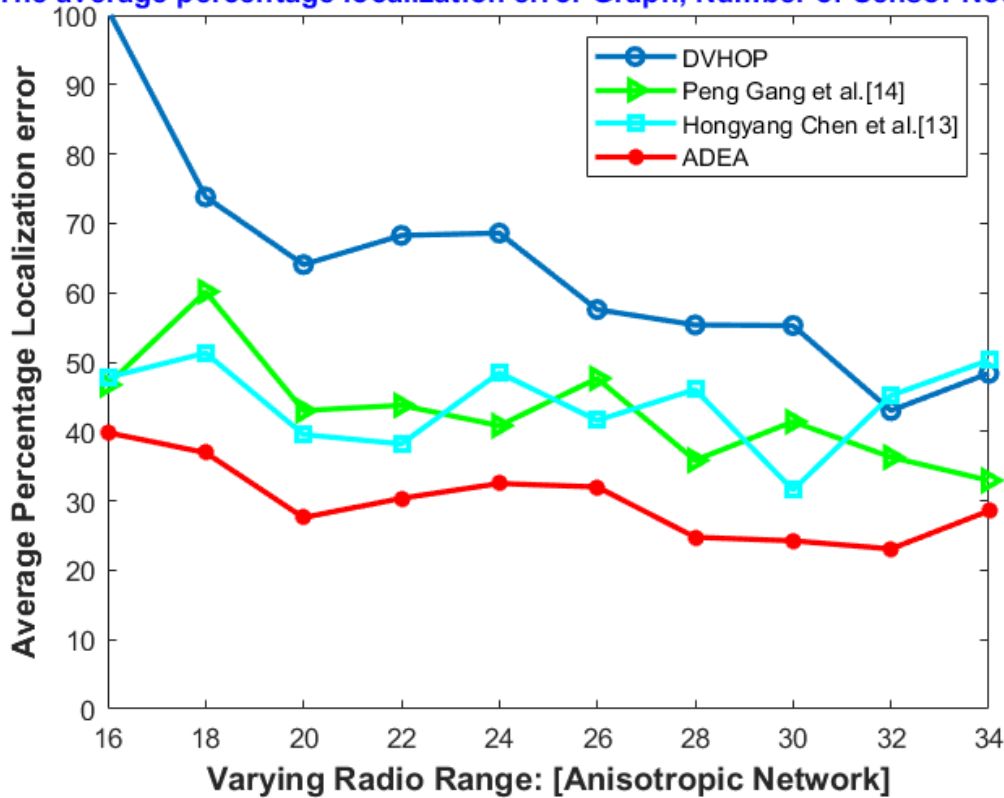


Figure 4.6: Radio range Vs Localization error

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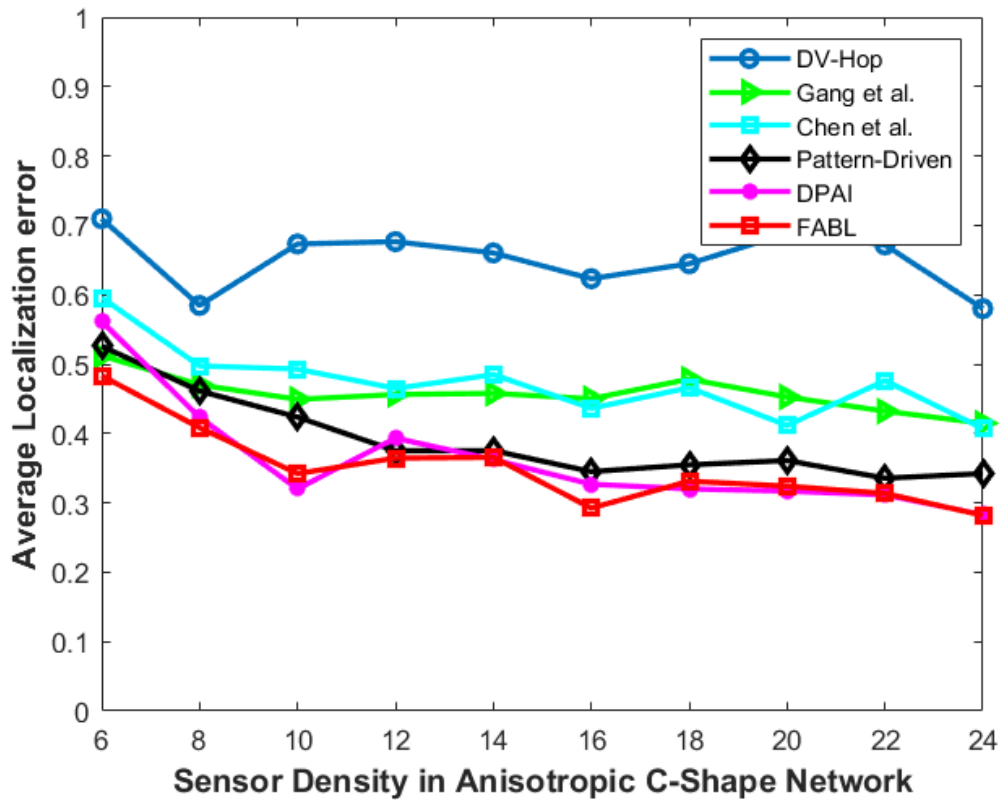


Figure 4.7: Unknown node Vs Localization error

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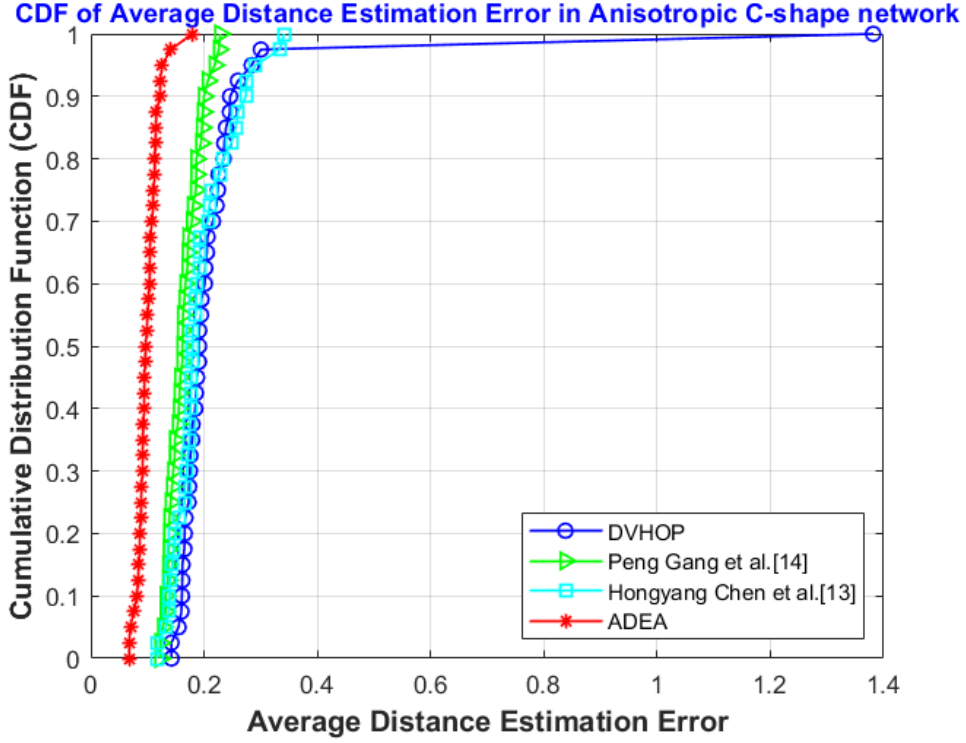


Figure 4.8: Localization error Vs Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

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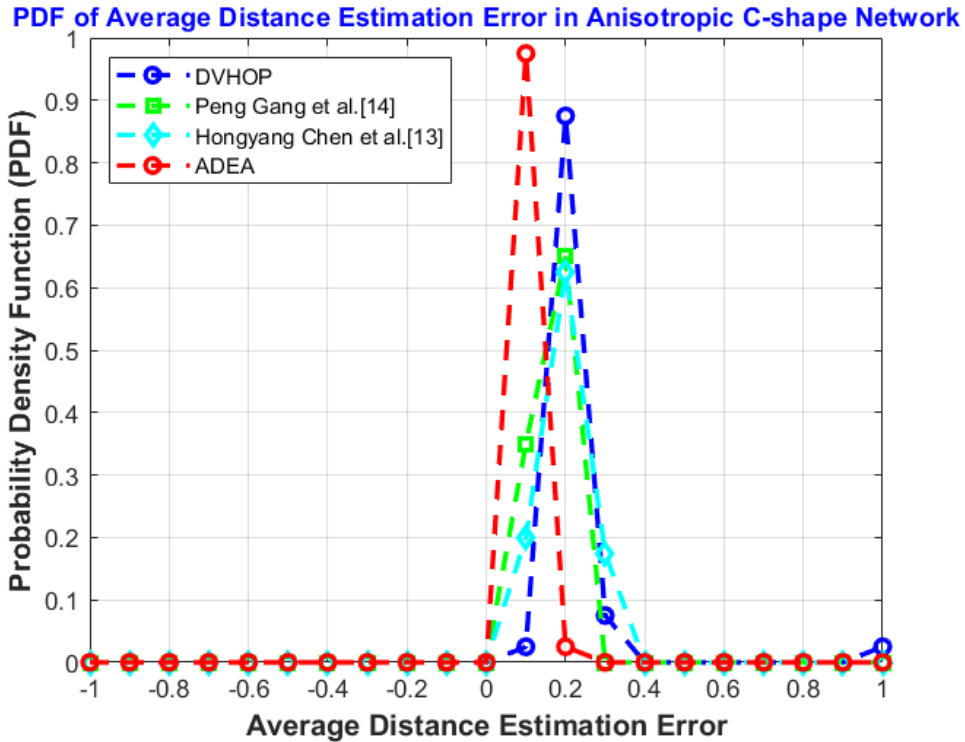


Figure 4.9: Localization error Vs Probability Density Function (PDF)

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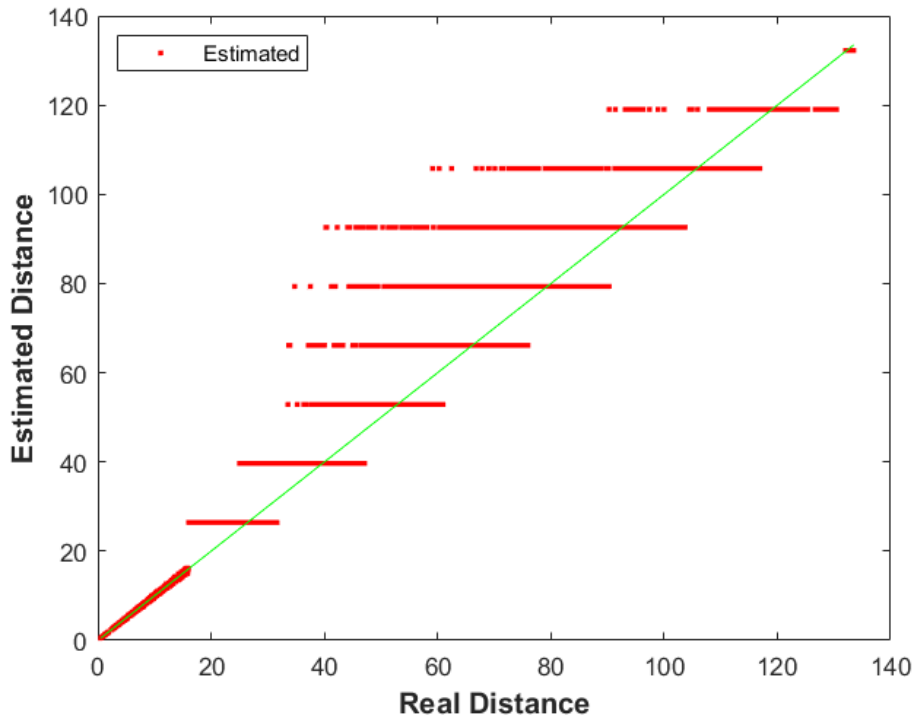


Figure 4.10: Real position Vs Estimated position

The graph shows the relationship between the sensor location determined by the DV-Hop algorithm and its various improved versions and the actual location of variable sensor nodes in a range-free wireless sensor network. The x-axis represents the actual location of the sensor nodes, while the y-axis represents the sensor location determined by the algorithm.

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## Anisotropic O shape Network scenario

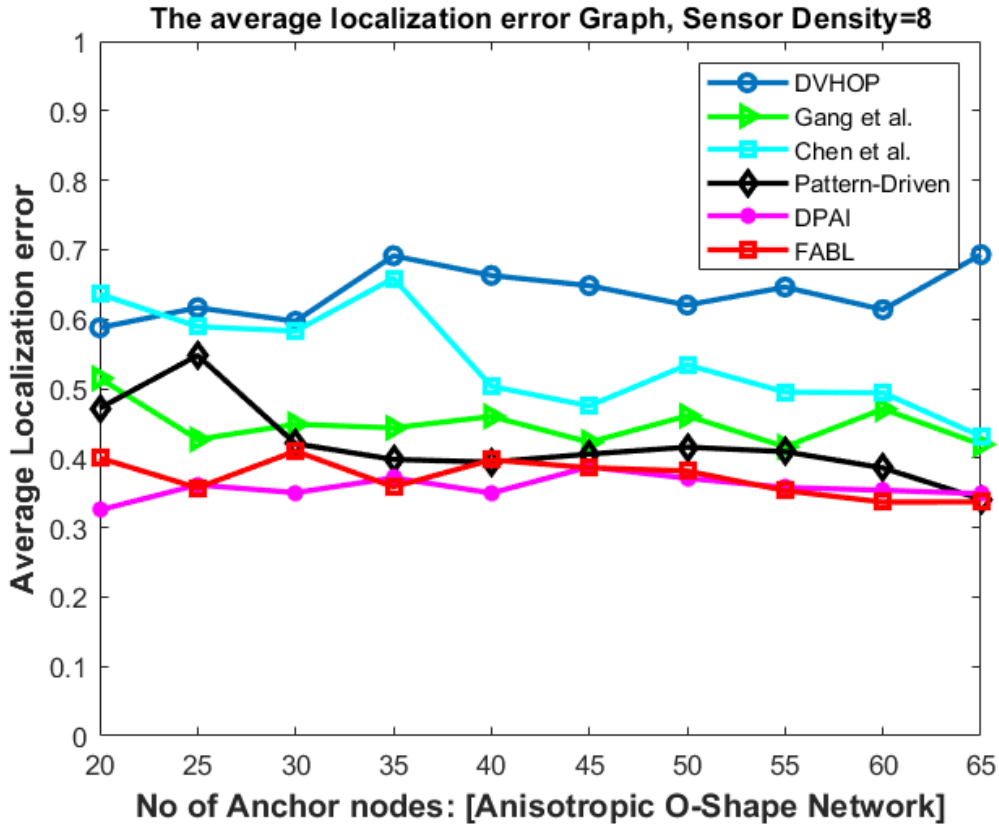


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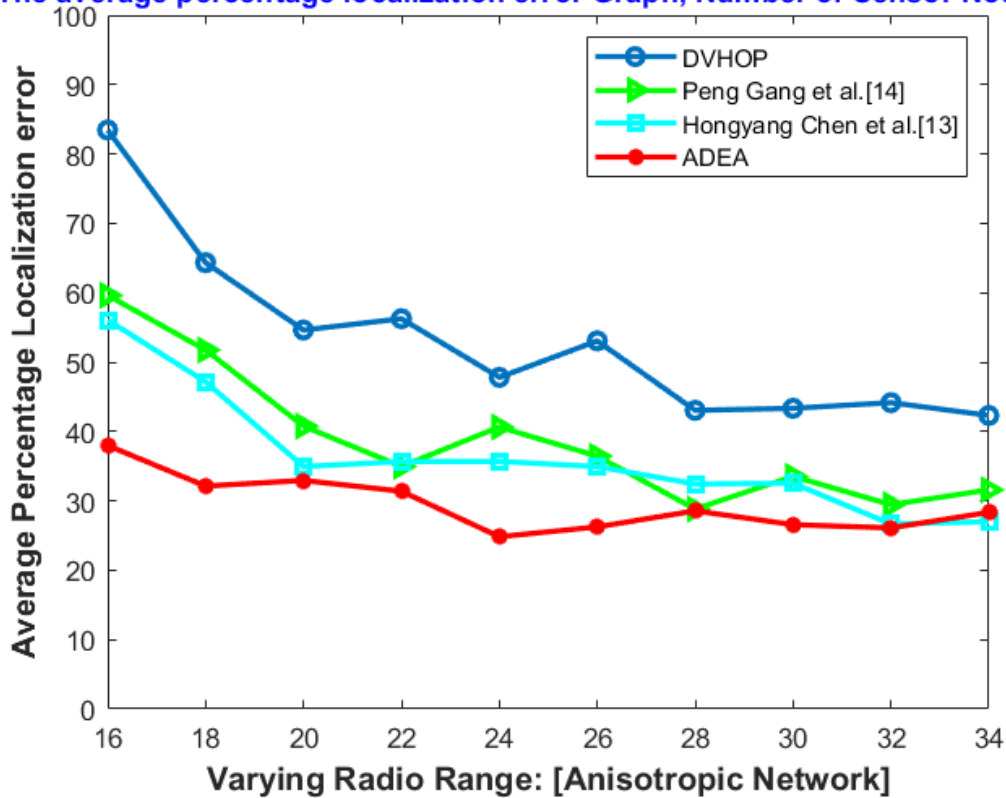


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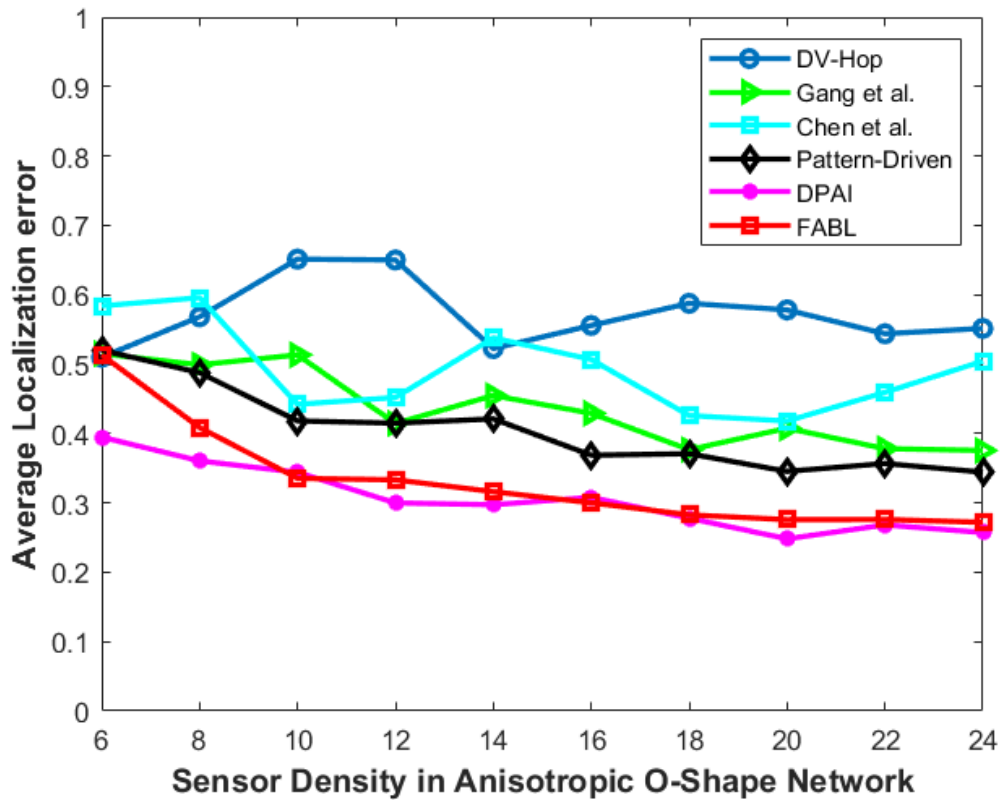


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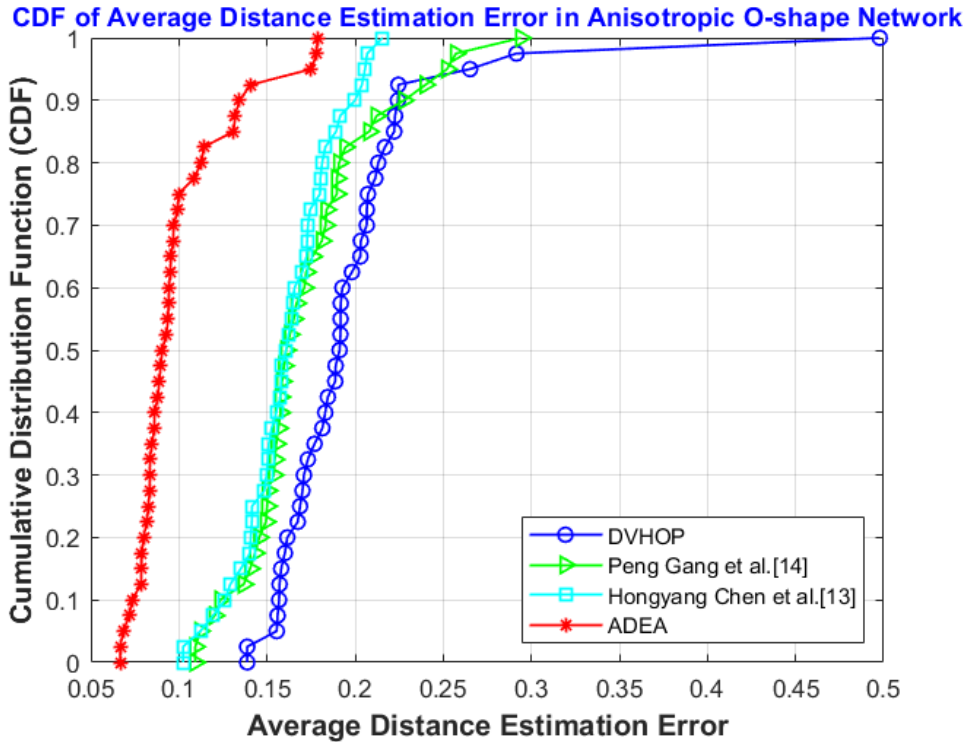


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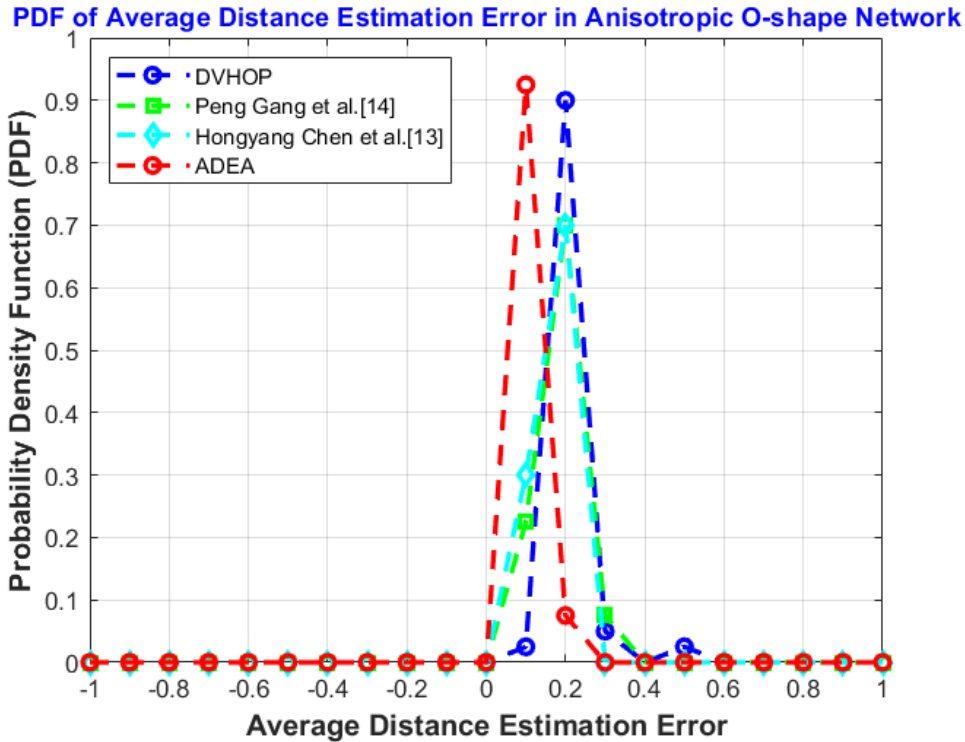


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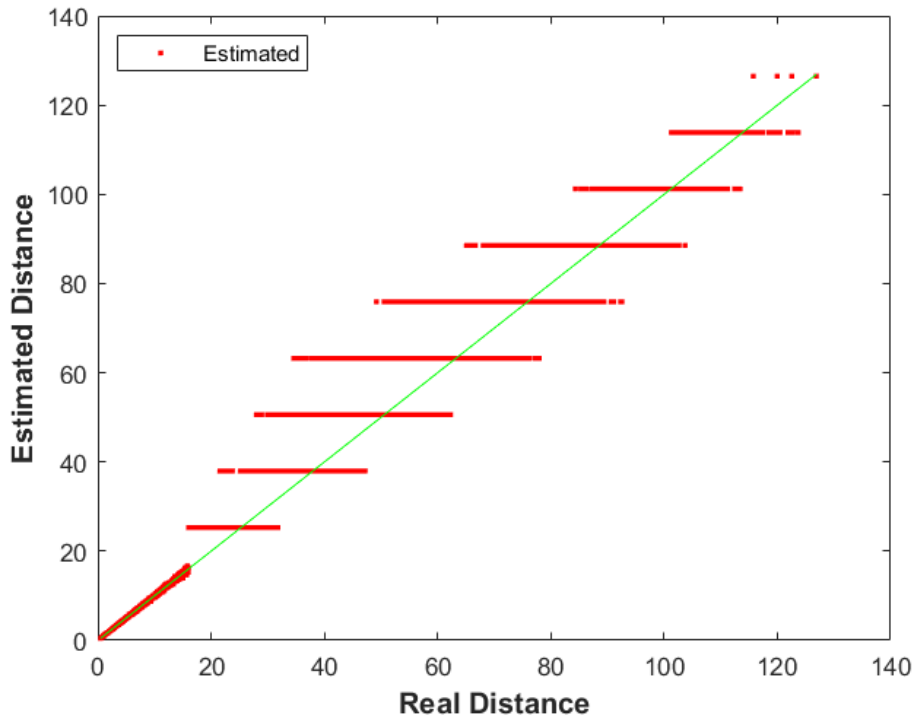


Figure 4.16: Real position Vs Estimated position

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It is worth noting that the range-free wireless sensor network presents unique challenges for determining sensor locations, as the sensors do not have a fixed range and must be able to adapt to changing conditions. The improved versions of the DV-Hop algorithm seem to be more effective at overcoming these challenges and accurately determining sensor locations.

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The graph shows the localization performance of different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm in a range-free wireless sensor network. The x-axis represents the number of sensor nodes in the network, while the y-axis represents the error in sensor location determined by the algorithm.

From the graph, it is clear that the number of sensor nodes in the network has a significant impact on the accuracy of the DV-Hop algorithm. As the number of nodes increases, the error in sensor location determination decreases. This suggests that adding more nodes to the network can improve the accuracy of the algorithm.

However, it is also clear that there is a point of diminishing returns, where adding more nodes does not significantly decrease the error in sensor location determination. This suggests that there is an optimal number of nodes for the DV-Hop algorithm to function at its best.

In terms of the performance of the different variants of the DV-Hop algorithm, it is clear that the improved versions, denoted by the dotted and dashed lines, perform significantly better than the original algorithm. They show a much steeper decline in error as the number of nodes increases, indicating that they are more effective at determining accurate sensor locations. This is especially noticeable at higher node counts, where the error for the improved algorithms remains consistently lower than that of the original algorithm.

Overall, the graph demonstrates that the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions are effective tools for localizing sensor positions in a range-free wireless sensor network. The improved versions show a greater ability to accurately determine sensor locations, especially at higher node counts. However, it is important to note that there is still some level of error present and further improvements could be made to increase the accuracy of the algorithm.

# Chapter 5

## Conclusion

In conclusion, the range-free localization of a wireless sensor network is a complex task that requires the use of advanced algorithms and techniques in order to accurately determine the position of the sensors. The DV-Hop algorithm is a popular choice for range-free localization, as it is able to adapt to changing conditions and can be used in a variety of environments.

However, the DV-Hop algorithm has its limitations, as it can be prone to error and may not be as accurate as other localization methods. This is where the improved versions of the DV-Hop algorithm come into play, as they are able to significantly reduce the error and increase the accuracy of the localization process.

It is important to note that the accuracy of the range-free localization process is not the only factor to consider when selecting an algorithm or method. Other considerations include the scalability of the algorithm, its ability to adapt to changing conditions, and its efficiency in terms of computational resources and energy consumption.

In the case of the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions, it is clear that they are able to adapt to changing conditions and are scalable, as they are able to effectively handle a large number of sensor nodes. However, further research may be needed to determine their efficiency and energy consumption compared to other localization methods.

In addition to the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions, there are many other algorithms and techniques that can be used for range-free localization. These include methods such as trilateration, multidimensional scaling, and fingerprinting. Each of these methods has its own set of strengths and limitations, and the best method for a particular situation will depend on the specific requirements and constraints of the wireless sensor network.

It is important to carefully evaluate the various algorithms and techniques in order to determine the most appropriate method for a given situation. This may involve conducting experiments and simulations to compare the performance and accuracy of different methods, as well as considering other factors such as scalability, adaptability, and efficiency.

In summary, the range-free localization of a wireless sensor network is a crucial task that requires the use of advanced algorithms and techniques in order to accurately determine the position of the sensors. While the DV-Hop algorithm and its improved versions are effective tools for this purpose, there are many other methods available and it is important to carefully evaluate the various options in order to

determine the most appropriate method for a given situation. Overall, there is still a need for further research and development in this area in order to improve the accuracy, efficiency, and adaptability of range-free localization methods.

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