



# Broadcasting in DTN as an Epidemic Dynamics



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## BACKGROUND

❖ Message broadcasting in DTN and epidemic spreading are analogous.

❖ Epidemic spreading models like **SIRS**, SIR, SIS.

❖ Advent of Directional Antenna (DA).

## PROBLEMS ADDRESSED

❖ Modeling broadcasting with mean field approach.

❖ Estimation of broadcasting time in DTN.

❖ Comparative study of omni-directional antenna (OA) and DA.

## AGENT BASED MODEL

❖ Agents are self-propelled and move at constant speed while changing its direction at Poissonian distributed times.

❖ DA changes its orientation at each time with a fixed probability ( $p_{rot}$ ).

❖ Agents can be in one of three possible states:

- **Susceptible** - Active without the message
- **Infected** - Received and broadcasting the message for a given time ( $\tau_I$ )
- **Recovered** - Idle mode for fixed amount of time ( $\tau_R$ ) after broadcasting

❖ States are changed periodically in S-I-R-S cyclic order (**SIRS** model)

## MOBILITY AND SIGNAL TRANSMISSION

❖ The motion of the  $i^{th}$  agent :

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}_i(t) &= v (\cos(\alpha_i)\hat{x} + \sin(\alpha_i)\hat{y}) & \alpha_i & \text{- direction of motion} \\ \dot{\theta}_i(t) &= F_\theta(t) & v & \text{- velocity} \\ & & \theta_i(t) & \text{- antenna orientation} \end{aligned}$$

❖ Power received by agent  $i$  from transmitting agent  $j$  (**Friis eq.**)

$$P_r(\mathbf{x}_i, \theta_i, \mathbf{x}_j, \theta_j) = \frac{\lambda^2 P_t G_T(\theta_j, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_i) G_R(\theta_i, \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)}{(4\pi)^2 |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|^2}$$

$\lambda$  - signal frequency  
 $G_T, G_R$  - gain of the agents in the direction to each other

❖ Agent  $i$  receive the message from  $j$  if  $P_r$  crosses a certain threshold.

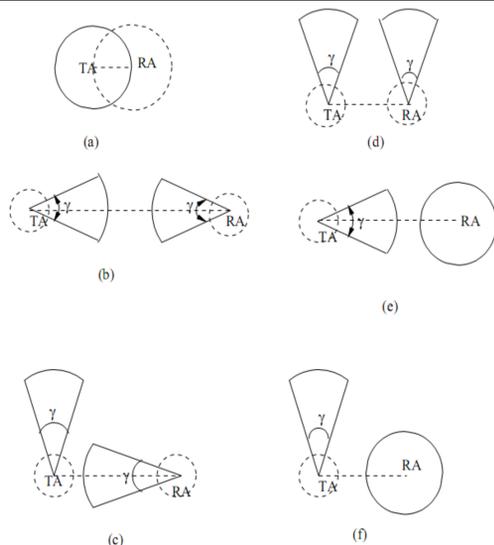
## SYSTEM WITH DA & OA

❖ System can have a mixture of OA and DA agents.

❖ OA and DA both have the same power.

Six possible relative orientations of antennas.

$\gamma$  - antenna beam width  
 $TA$  - transmitter  
 $RA$  - receiver



## MEAN FIELD SOLUTION

❖ Systems with 100% OA can be represented by mean-field approach:

$$\dot{S} = \frac{R}{\tau_R} - (\rho\psi)IS$$

$$\dot{I} = (\rho\psi)IS - \frac{I}{\tau_I}$$

$$\dot{R} = \frac{I}{\tau_I} - \frac{R}{\tau_R}$$

$N$  - total number of agents

$N_S, N_I, N_R$  - number of  $S, I$  and  $R$  respectively

$S = N_S/N$

$I = N_I/N$

$R = N_R/N$

$\rho$  - agent density

$\psi$  - new area an agent explores per time unit

❖ Fraction of informed agents at time  $t$  :

$$Y(t) = \left(\frac{1}{N} - 1\right) \exp\left[-(\rho\psi) \int_0^t dt' I(t')\right] + 1$$

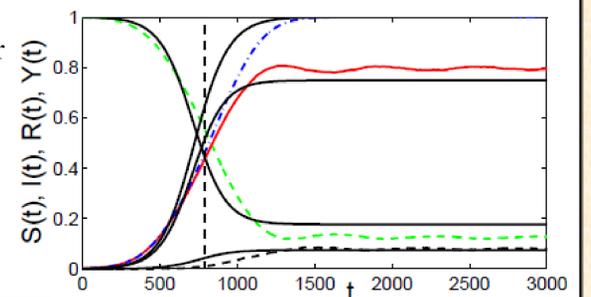
At  $t = 0, N_I = 1, N_S = N - 1, N_R = 0$

$Y(t) = 1$  is possible at infinity

$Y(t)$  experiences a crossover when:

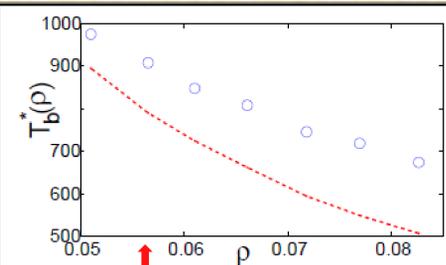
$$\int_0^{T_b^*} dt' I(t') = \frac{1}{\psi\rho}$$

$T_b^*$  is defined as broadcasting time

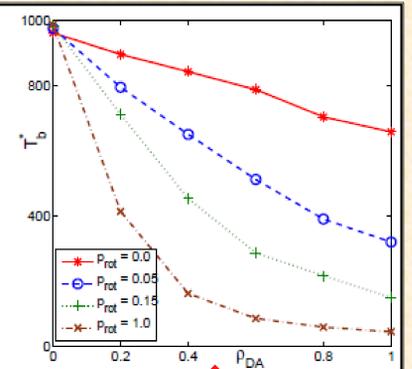


Time evolution of  $S$  (green dashed),  $I$  (red solid),  $R$  (black dashed), and  $Y$  (blue dash-dotted) for a system with  $N = 1000$  agents with OA at a density of 0.06. Black solid curves correspond to the mean-field approach. The vertical black dashed line corresponds to the crossover.

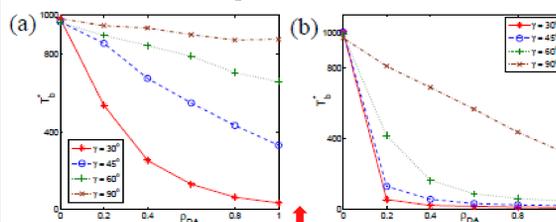
## SIMULATION RESULTS



Average broadcasting time as function of the agent density with 100% OA.  $N = 1000$ . Circle corresponds to simulations, red dashed curve indicates the theoretical prediction

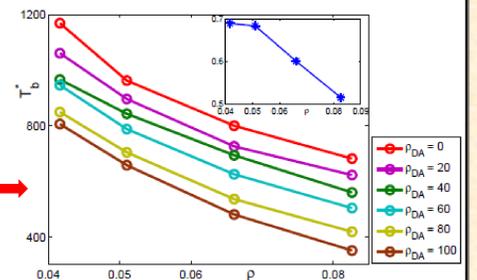


Average broadcasting time vs. DA fraction  $\rho_{DA}$  for various rotation probability  $p_{rot}$ , agent density  $\rho = 0.05$ , beam width  $\gamma = 60$ .



Average broadcasting time vs.  $\rho_{DA}$  for various values of antenna beam width  $\gamma$  with rotation probability (a)  $p_{rot} = 0$  and (b)  $p_{rot} = 1$  for an agent density  $\rho = 0.05$ .

Average broadcasting time vs. agent density for various values of  $\rho_{DA}$ , for  $\gamma = 60, p_{rot} = 0$ . (Inset) - Ratio of average broadcast time of system with  $\rho_{DA} = 100$  and  $\rho_{DA} = 0$  for different agent density.



## CONCLUSIONS

❖ DA agents always perform better than the OA agents.

❖ DA agents with smaller  $\gamma$  are more efficient than those with larger  $\gamma$ .

❖ Rotation of the antenna has a definite positive effect on broadcasting.

❖ More research is needed to explore the effects of DA in DTN.

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