Multi Drone Task Allocation

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Overview

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Background

- Multi drone task allocation (MDTA) deals with the problem of coordinating a team of drones and assigning them tasks
- This includes the following subtasks:
 - Target search
 - Task allocation
 - Drone monitoring

Project Motivation













Our Application of Drones

Data Collection



Surveillance



Data mule

User Requirements and Requirements Analysis

> Path Planning:

- Target locations
- Restricted Areas

Task allocation

- Avoid task repetition
- **Drone monitoring**:
 - Collision avoidance
 - Restricted area avoidance
 - Power Monitoring

Drone Monitoring

Collision avoidance

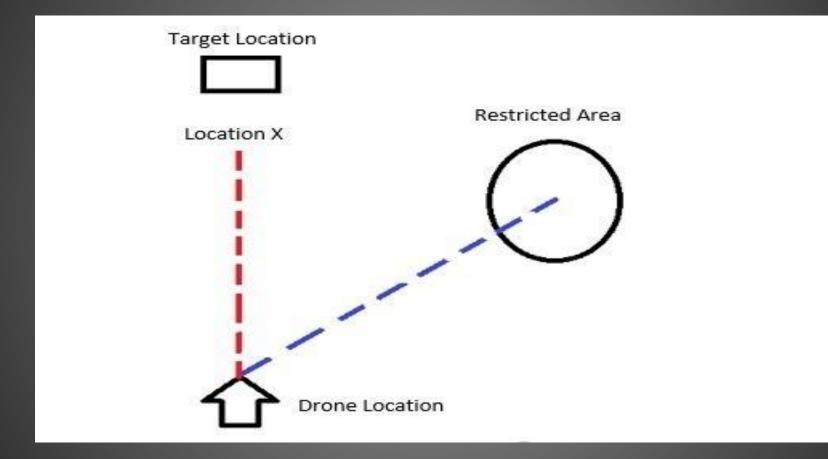
- Track distance between the two drones
- If the distance is increasing, the drones won't collide
- If distance between drones is 2.5m or less, they will most likely collide
- Power Monitoring
 - Retrieve power level
 - Task reconfiguration

Drone Monitoring

Restricted area avoidance

- Calculate distance (d) to restricted area
- Move distance d in the direction of target area
- If the point we end up at is with the radius of the restricted area,
 - Move the drone to a location (L) outer of the radius of the restricted area first
 - Move the drone from the L to the target coordinate

Drone Monitoring



Testing

Travelling salesman performance

Number of inputs	Dynamic Travelling salesman	Greedy Travelling Salesman
5	0.000132s	6.69956207275e-05s
10	0.015s	0.00012s
15	1.324s	0.00022s
20	1 min 36s	0.00036s
25	stopped	0.000481s
50	stopped	0.0020s
100	stopped	0.0080s

Testing

Forward movement

Input distance (meters)	Actual distance travelled (meters)	Percentage Error
20	18.2	9
19	19.7	3.7
18	19.5	8.3
17	16.8	1.1
16	18.1	13.1
15	13.7	8.7
14	15.3	9.3
13	15.1	16.2
12	12.6	5.0
11	11.2	1.8
10	10.4	4.0
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Testing

- Destructive and stress testing
 - Range testing
 - Fault injection
- Integration testing
 - Single Thread testing
 - Master Thread testing

Tools

- Parrot Bebop
- Parrot 2.0
- Wasp Mote
- OpenCv
- Python
- EDIMAX nano USB Wi-fi Adapter

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