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## A Model-based Cyber Attack Detection and Identification for Networked Vehicle Systems

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## Background

 The reliance on communication networks to transmit measurements and control signals increases the possibility of cyber attacks against networked vehicle systems.



## **Experimental Results**

- 10 robots are spawned at random pose with a global goal of reaching one common destination (top right corner).
- Attacks are injected into the pose measurements of 3 arbitrarily selected agents when the global clock reached 7 seconds.







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#### **Research Questions**

What if the units that govern safety are being compromised? Is each agent able to detect any unexpected behavior?

## Cyber Attack in This Study

An action which undermines the security of robotic systems for malicious purposes. (e.g. possible sensor failures mainly caused by false data injection attacks, corrupted signal reading, or any combination of these.)

## Approach

#### Model-based Detection Scheme

Focusing on a vehicle's physical behavior, rather than traditional computer-based approaches such as firewalls, encryptions, etc.





Models allow us to predict vehicle's normal behaviors and sensors provide actual behaviors.

System Models under Attacks: Considers a discrete time stochastic LTI system

x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + v(k) $y_{\alpha}(k) = Cx(k) + \alpha(k) + \omega(k)$ 

where  $\alpha$  represents additive attacks on sensors.

Sensor Measurements under Normal Operation

 $y(k) = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_n \end{bmatrix}^T$ 

- State Estimation: Consider the system stays the steady-state before attacks.
- **Residual Generation:** The difference between the actual measurement and the measurement estimate  $m(l_{1} + 1) = C_{2}(l_{2} + 1) + m(l_{2} + 1)$

 $r(k+1) = Ce(k+1) + \alpha(k+1)$ 

• Hypothesis Testing

 $\mathcal{H}_0: r(k+1) \backsim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma) \\ \mathcal{H}_1: r(k+1) \nsim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$ 

If the system is under normal operation, the mean of the residuals will be **zero** otherwise **non-zero**.

 The proposed detector in each robot was able to determine that there was an attack when the residual went above the upper limit of the threshold.



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