

Probabilistic Verification of Sensor Networks

Experimenting a New Framework for Sensor Networks

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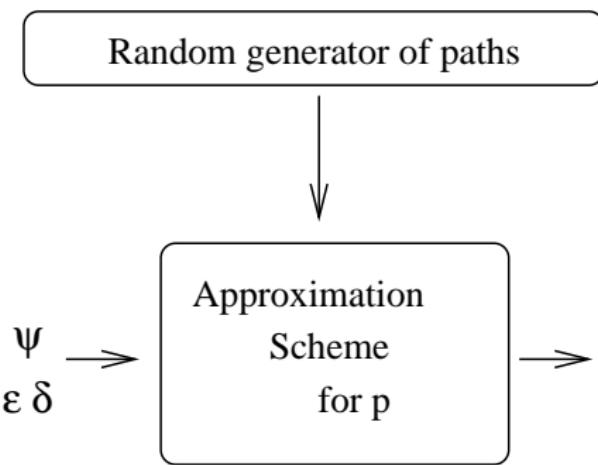
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Random generator of paths



Ψ
 $\varepsilon \delta$

Approximation
Scheme
for p

→ A

Definition (FPRAS)

Fully polynomial randomized
approximation scheme with time
complexity
 $\text{poly}(\log(1/\delta), |\psi|, (1/\varepsilon))$

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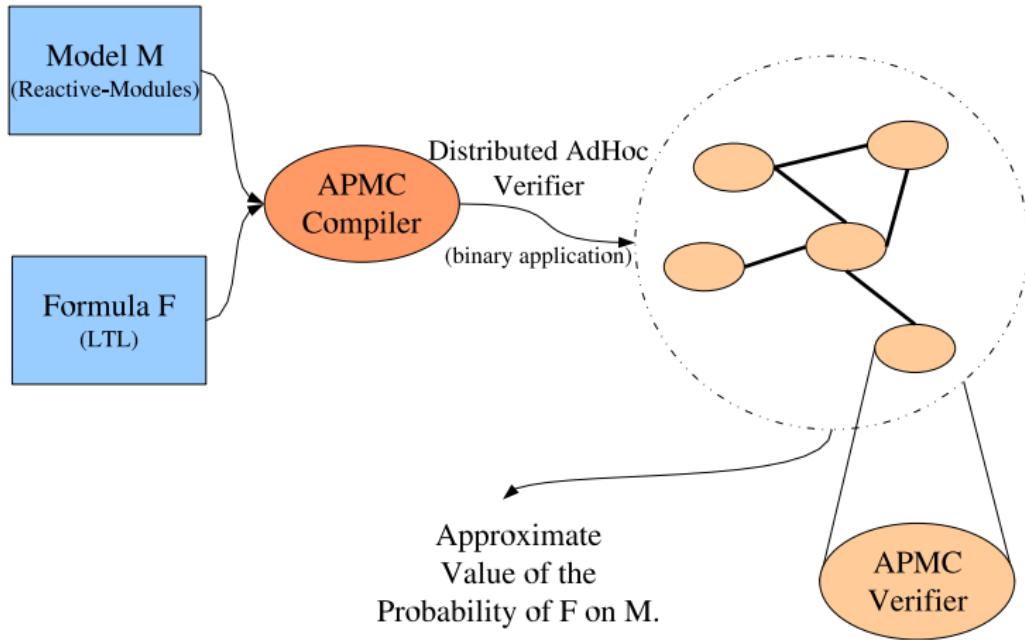
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Theorem

This algorithm is an additive FPRAS for $\text{Prob}[\psi]$

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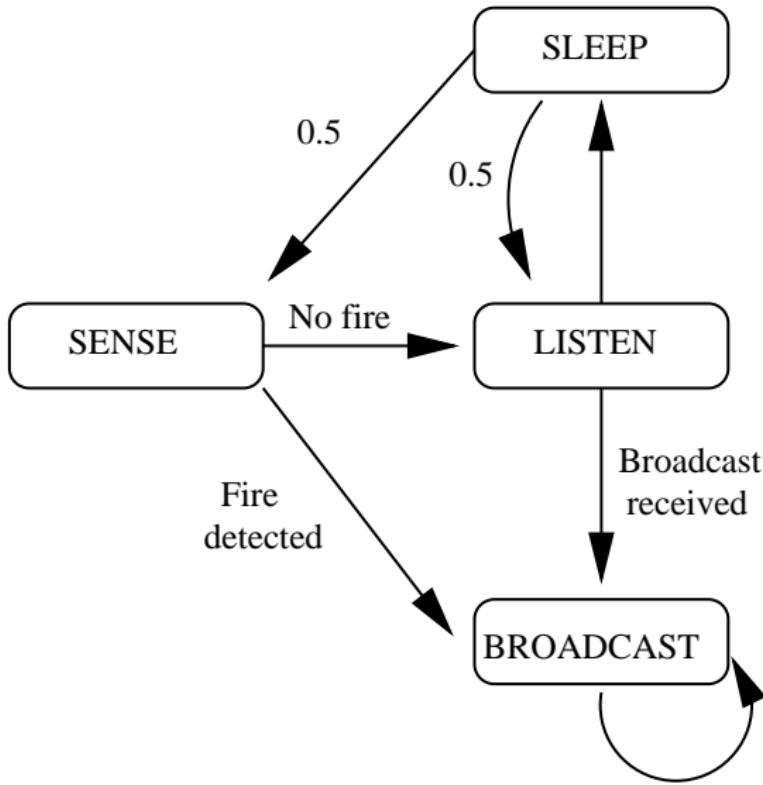
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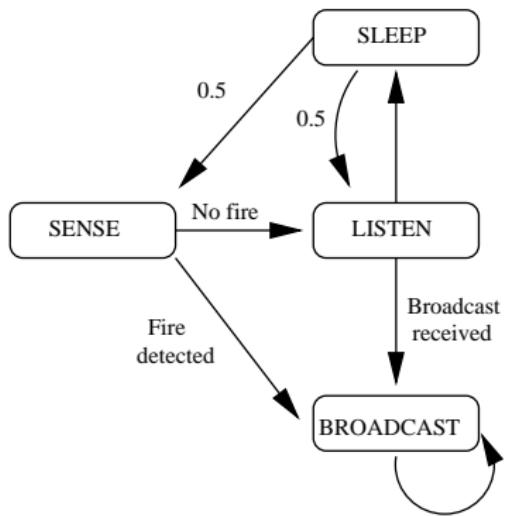
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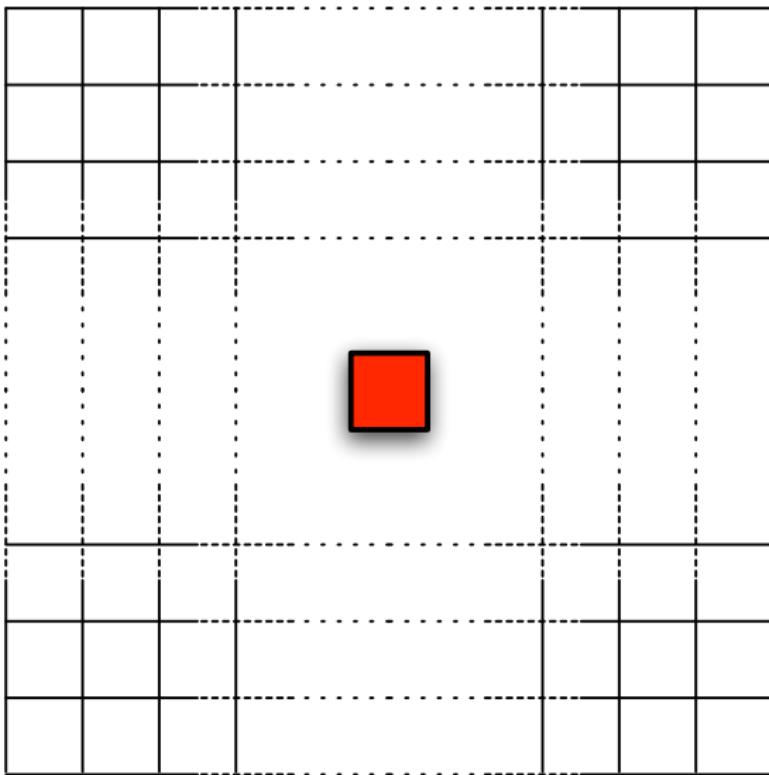
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module sensor

s : [0..4] init SENSE;

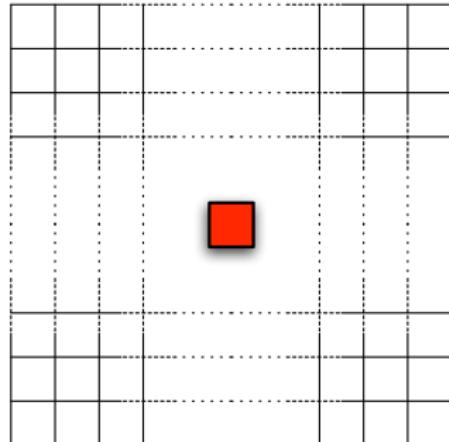
[] s = SENSE
-> s = senses ? BROADCAST : LISTEN;
[] s = LISTEN
-> s = receives ? BROADCAST : SLEEP;
[] s = SLEEP
-> 0.5 : s = SENSE
+ 0.5 : s = LISTEN;
[] s = BROADCAST
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endmodule
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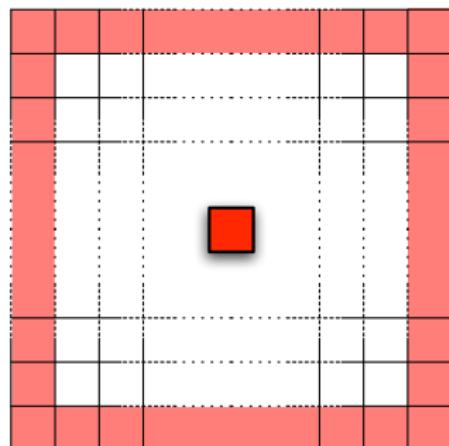


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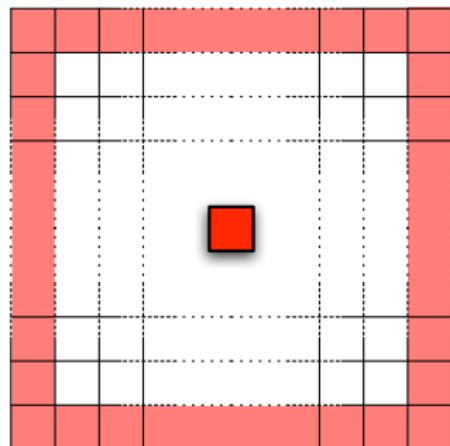


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m4_for([X], [0], MAX_X, [1],  
    [m4_for([Y], [0], MAX_Y, [1],  
        [rm_sensor(X, Y)])])
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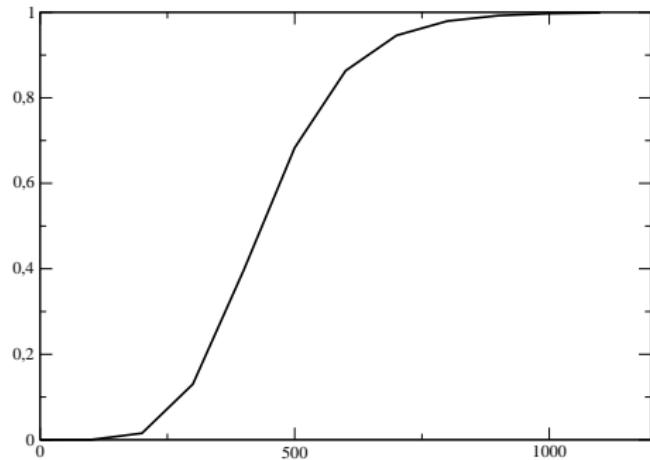


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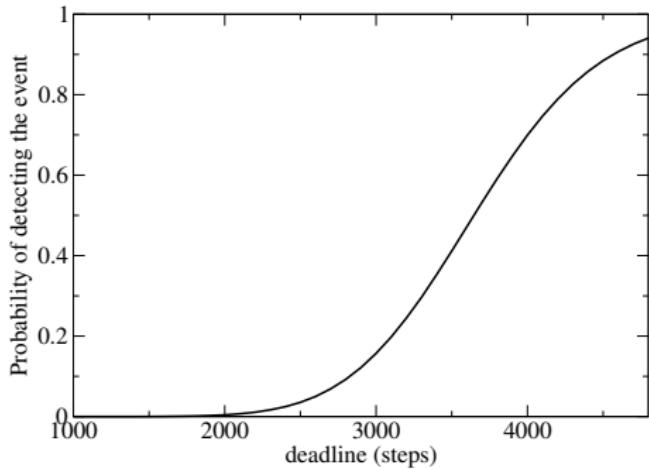
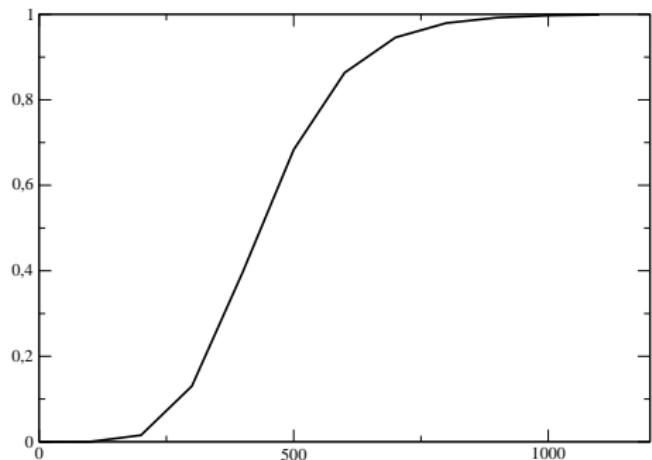


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m4_for([T], [0], LENGTH, [100],  
[true U (t <= T  
  & (0 rm_FOREACH_boundary([X], [Y],  
    [ | rm_state(X, Y) = BROADCAST])))  
])
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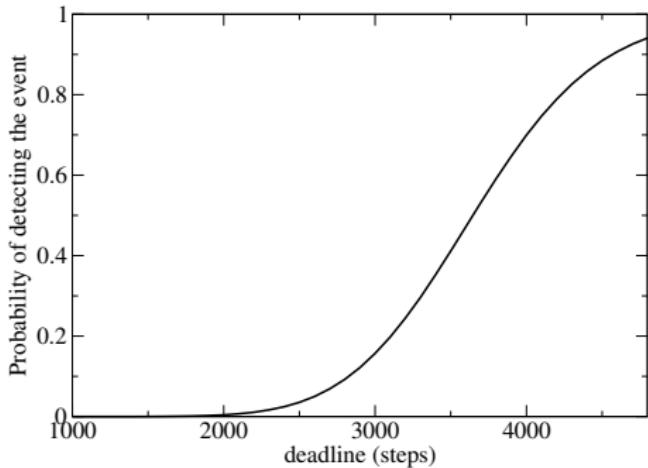
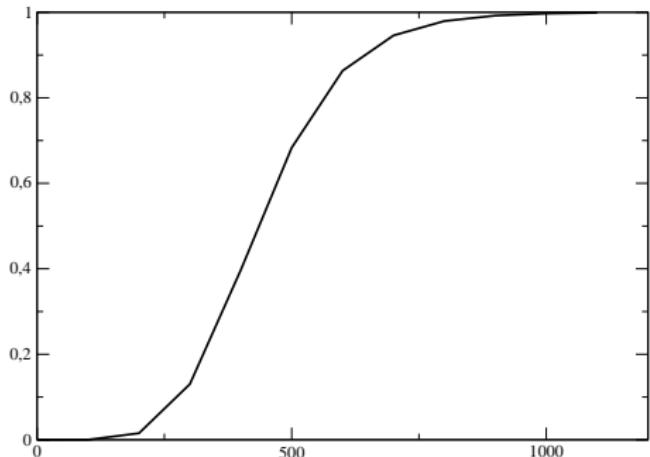
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$$\text{pathlength} = 15 \times \text{area}$$

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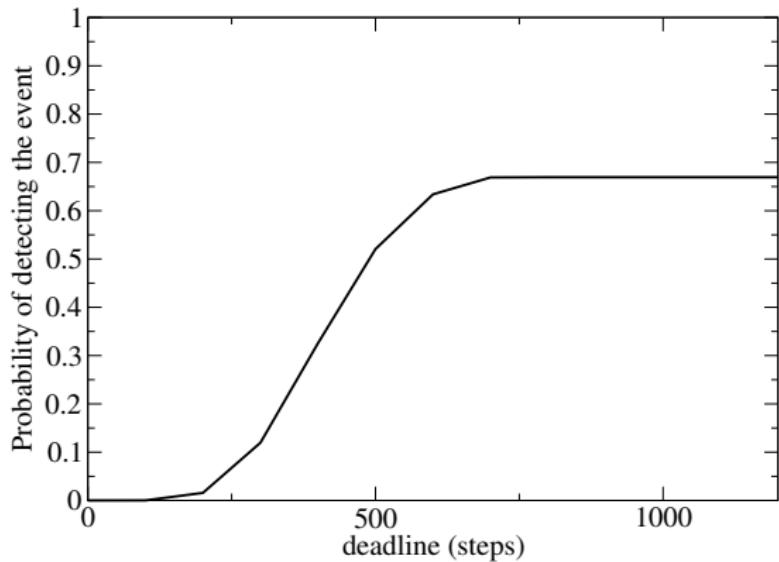
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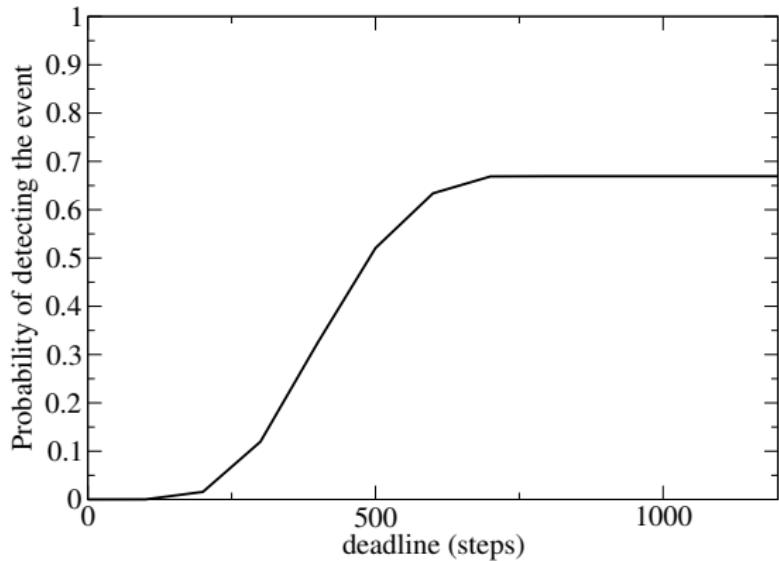
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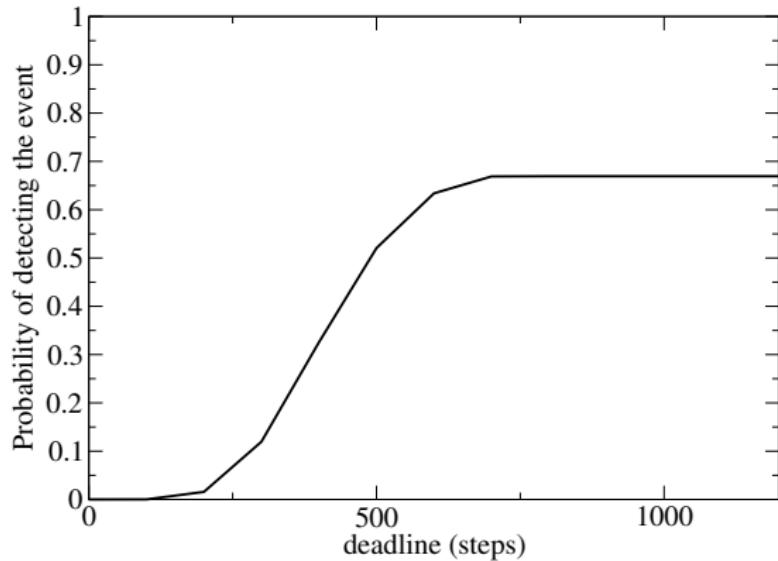
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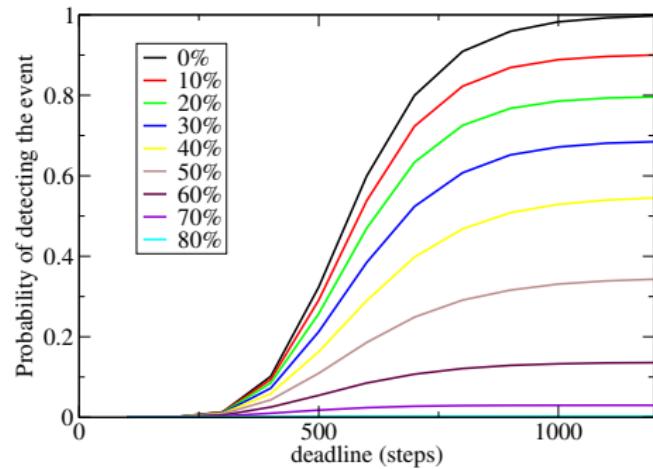
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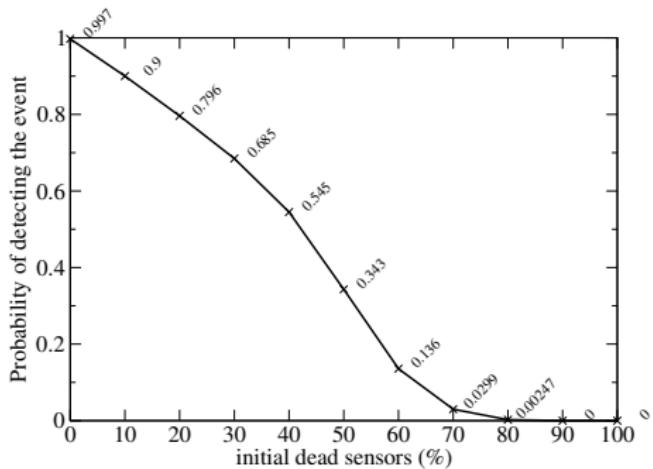
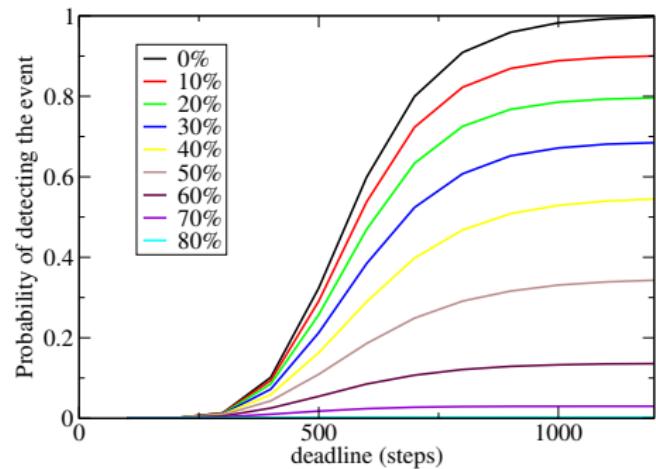
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Application: optimize the time spent in each mode.

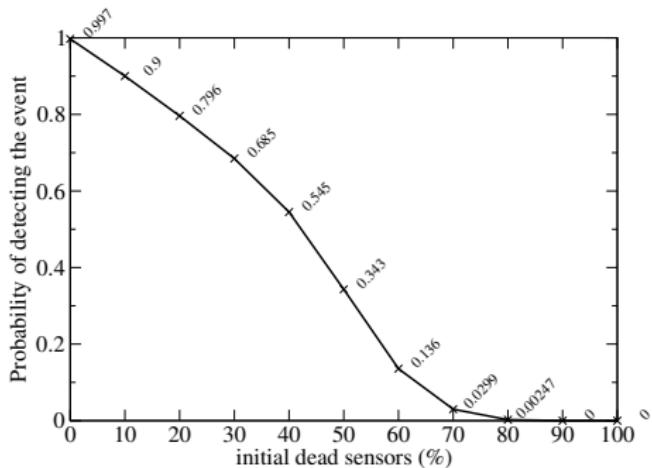
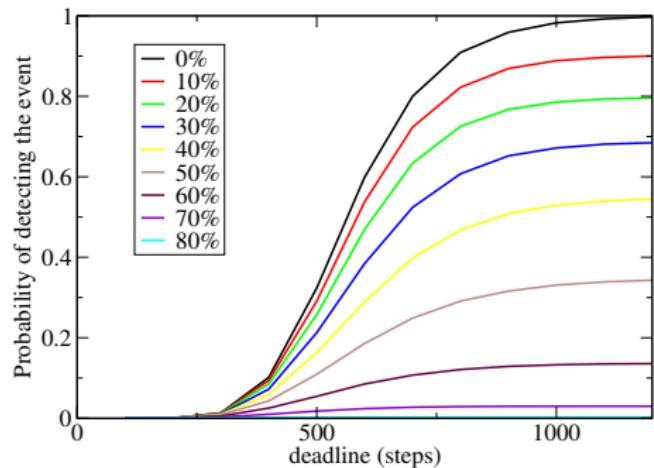
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Two phases:

$\leq 35\%$ linear, elastic, robust — delayed delivery.

$35\% \leq$ brutal decreasing, compromised delivery.

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Questions?