

A Survey of Coverage Issues in UAV networks

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Abstract—UAVs have been widely applied in military, public and civil applications based on their main characteristics of small volume, muscular mobility, flexibility, adaptive altitude and low communication overhead. One of the most active areas of research in UAV networks is that of area coverage problem, which is usually defined as a problem of how well the UAV networks can monitor the given space and how well the UAVs are inside a network can cooperate with each other. In this paper, we take a representative survey of the current work that has been done about this problem and made a general review of the coverage problems of UAVs so that we can give some inspiration to related researchers.

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