

# Taming Uncertainty and Heterogeneity in Resource Specification for WSN Federations

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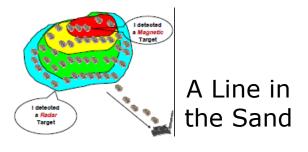








# WSN experimental infrastructures





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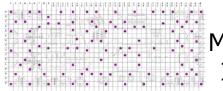
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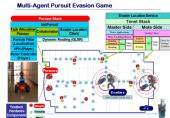




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# Lack of experiment predictability/repeatability

- Conflicting experiment observations
  - Examples
    - wireless interference model (physical vs. protocol)
    - data collection protocol (for periodic monitoring vs. bursty events)
  - Major cause: many uncertainty factors are left unspecified, unmeasured, and implicit
- WSN resource specification is difficult
  - Complex dynamics and uncertainties in WSN
  - Heterogeneous platforms, protocols, and applications

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# RSpecs for uncertainty factors

- Principle #1: Distinguish specified properties of interest as controlled or observed
  - Controllable factors: co-channel interference ...
    Observable-only factors: slow time-varying wireless path loss ...
  - Controllability is context-specific: control by "choice" in WSN federations
    - Path loss exponent ...
- Mechanism: System choose/maintains controllable factors, and monitor/measures observable factors
  - RSpec embedding, passive/active monitoring techniques
  - Resource provisioning for monitoring

# RSpec for heterogeneous, federated WSNs

- Principle #2: Embrace heterogeneity/diversity in RSpec
  - Heterogeneity in resource and resource ontology
    - No consensus on basic issues such as WSN addressing (IP or not)
  - Heterogeneity in RSpec use cases
    - Multiple levels of abstraction: low-level specs for system interactions, high-level specs for researchers and opt-in users
- Mechanism: Enable ontology mapping
  - From high-level spec to low-level spec
  - Between heterogeneous low-level specs

# Network-centric WSN RSpec

- Principle #3: Enable reasoning about relationship/ dependencies among resources
  - Geometric relation among nodes, channel relation (e.g., path loss) among nodes, correlation among links
  - Dependencies among node, radio, and spectrum
- Mechanism: Network-centric measurement and embedding
  - Passive/active monitoring techniques for characterizing relationships/dependencies
  - RSpec embedding

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## WSN extension to NDL: examples

#### Radio

- High-level: standard-based spec such as Zigbee and WiMedia
- Low-level: wireless spectrum, modulation, (programmable) network stack

## Neighborhood

- High-level: connectivity (e.g., neighborhood size)
- Low-level: node location, link properties, correlation among links ...

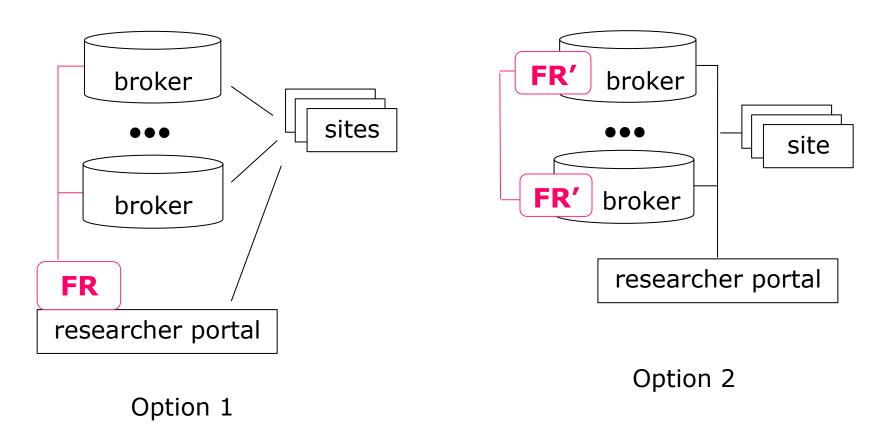
#### Environment

- High-level: application context (e.g., home vs. industrial)
- Low-level: path loss, interference from co-existing nets ...

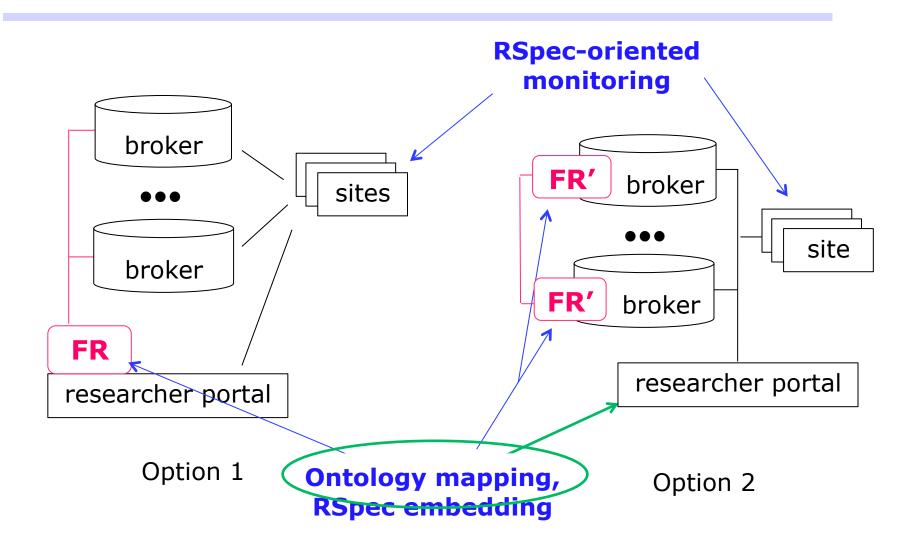
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### WSN federation architecture

Federated resource manager (FR): resource discovery and allocation



# RSpec implementation



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# RSpec roadmap

- Spiral 2
  - Basic WSN RSpec
    - platform and network topology specification
- Spiral 3
  - Basic RSpec-oriented monitoring
  - Refined WSN resource-allocation/RSpec-embedding policies
  - Basic ontology mapping at researcher portal