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**Pu Gao** and **Xavier Pérez-Giménez\***, (xperez@unl.edu), and **Cristiane Sato**. *Packing Edge-disjoint Spanning Trees in Random Geometric Graphs*. Preliminary report.

We consider the problem of packing edge-disjoint spanning trees in the random geometric graph  $G(n, r)$ . This was inspired by some earlier work on the  $G(n, p)$  model, in which we proved that (with high probability)  $G(n, p)$  contains exactly  $\min(\delta, \lfloor m/(n-1) \rfloor)$  edge-disjoint spanning trees, where  $m$  is the number of edges and  $\delta$  is the minimum degree. This result has been recently extended to the random geometric setting for all  $r$  such that  $\delta < \epsilon \log n$ . In particular we show that, for  $r$  in that range,  $G(n, r)$  contains (with high probability)  $\delta$  edge-disjoint spanning trees, and obtain the corresponding hitting-time result for the random graph process in which edges are added one by one in increasing order of length. (Received August 15, 2018)