



Approaches for Device-free Multi-User Localization with Passive RFID

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Multimodal Smart Environments - MuSAMA

Main research areas:

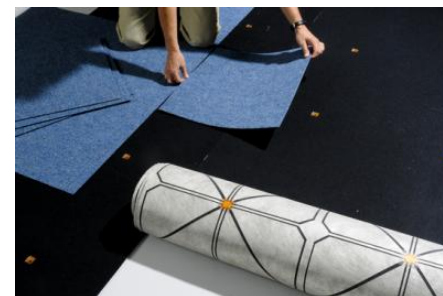
- Context sensing and Analysis
- Multimodal Interaction and Visualization
 - Intention Recognition and Strategy Generation
 - Data Management, Resources and Infrastructure Management
 - Main scenario:

Smart Conference room



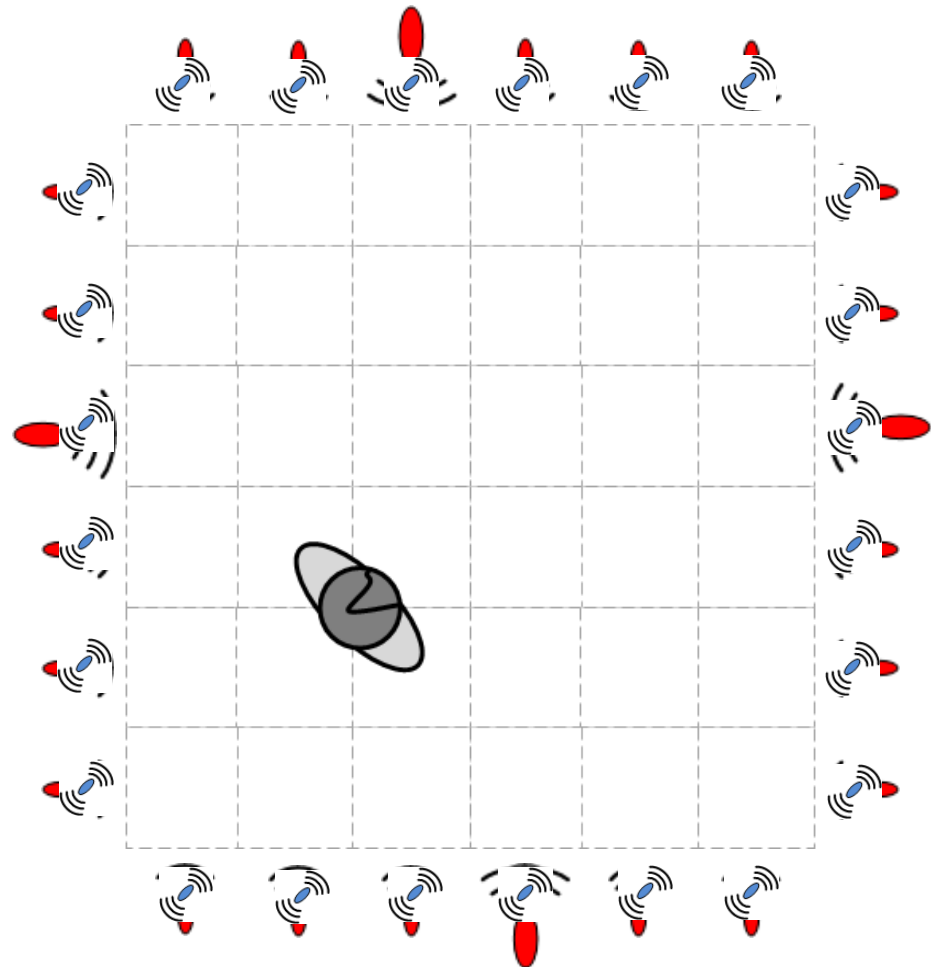
Motivation

- User position as main information source for ubiquitous proactive assistance
- Ubisense:
 - high costs
 - tag based
 - complex deployment
- SensFloor®/NaviFloor®:
 - high costs
 - Complex deployment



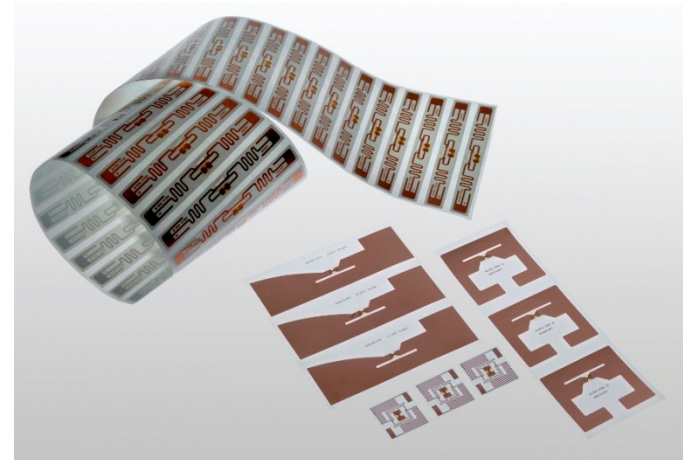
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- User influences RF communication links
- Utilizing attenuation / scatter for user localization
- User do not need to wear hardware



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- Innovation: Use of passive RFID-tags
 - low cost
 - easy deployment
 - adaptive densities possible



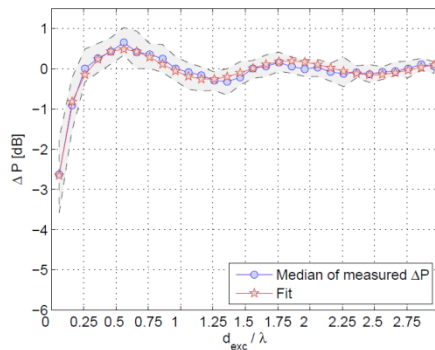
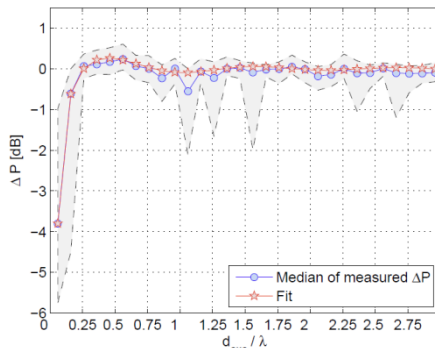


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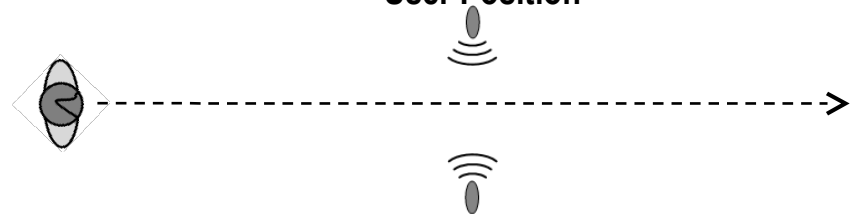
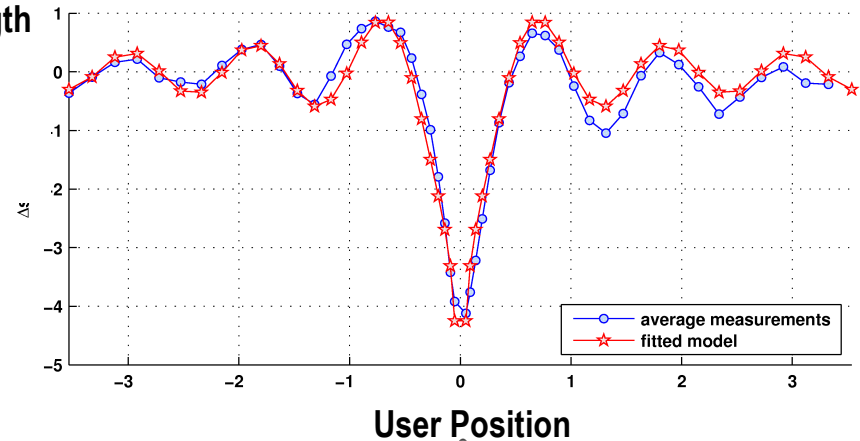
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Methodology

- Human Influence on Passive Bistatic RFID



Signal Strength



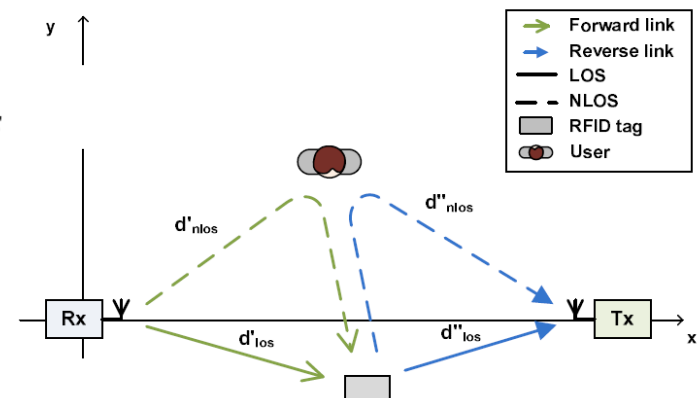
Methodology

- Physical model

$$\Delta \tilde{s}(d_{exc}) \approx Ad_{exc}^B \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\tilde{\lambda}} d_{exc} + \phi_{refl}\right)$$

- Path difference

$$d_{exc} = d'_{nlos} + d''_{nlos} - d_{los}$$



Passive RFID Tomography

- Model

$$\Delta P = W \Delta x + n$$

- Difference between WSN and this pRFID approach

$$n_{tx} \gg n_{rx}$$

- 2 phase measurement: without user presence as calibration matrix

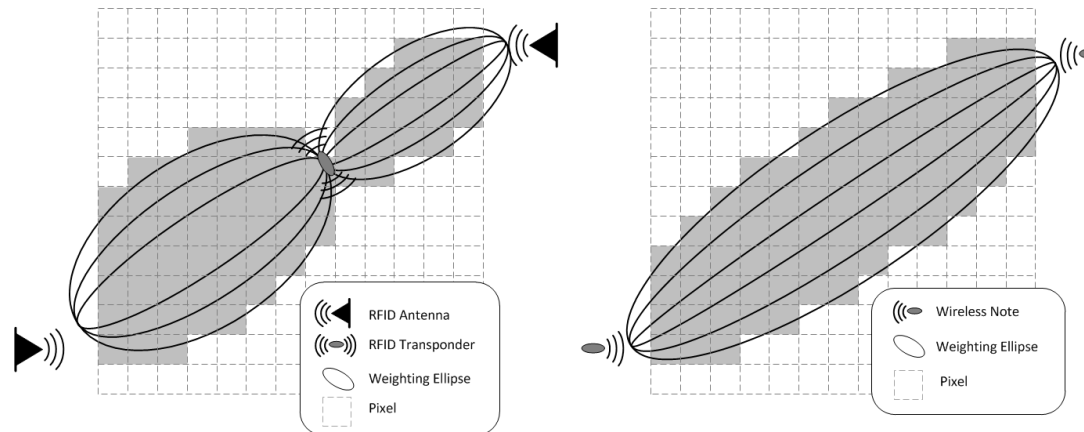
$$\Delta P = P_{meas} - P_{cal}$$

- Image Calculation

$$\Delta x = (W^T W + C_x^{-1})^{-1} W^T \Delta y \quad \text{with } C_x = \sigma_x^2 e^{-d/\delta}$$

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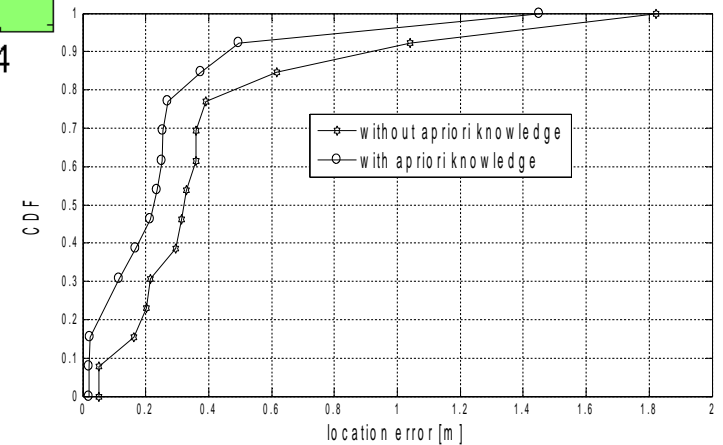
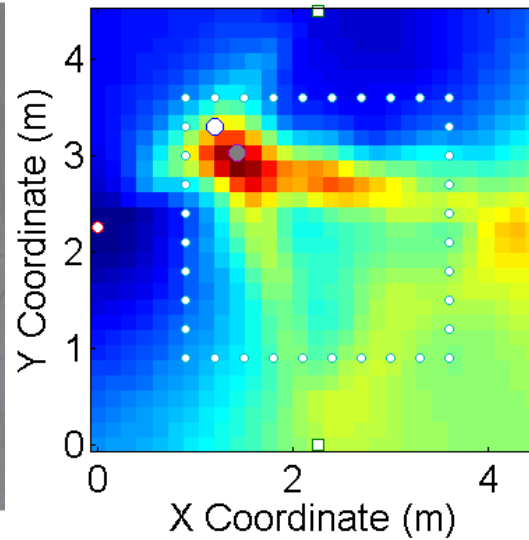
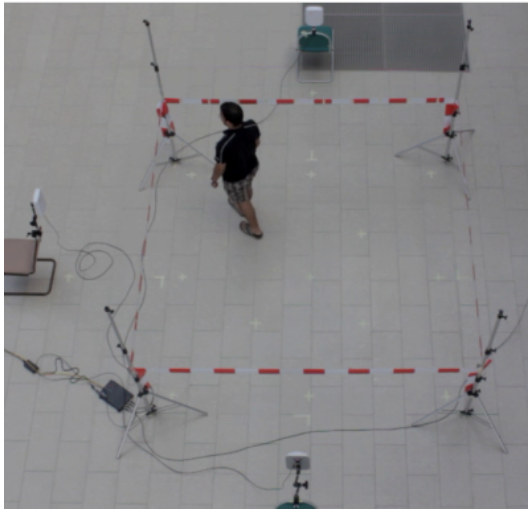
●● Weighting Matrix for radio tomography



$$\text{Forward: } w_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{tx(i) t(i)}}} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d_{tx(i) j} + d_{j t(i)} < d_{tx(i) t(i)} + \lambda_{forw} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Backward: } w_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{t(i) rx(i)}}} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d_{t(i) j} + d_{j rx(i)} < d_{t(i) rx(i)} + \lambda_{backw} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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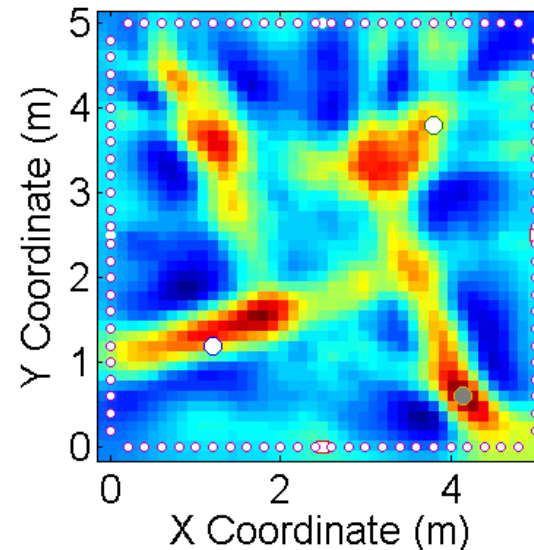
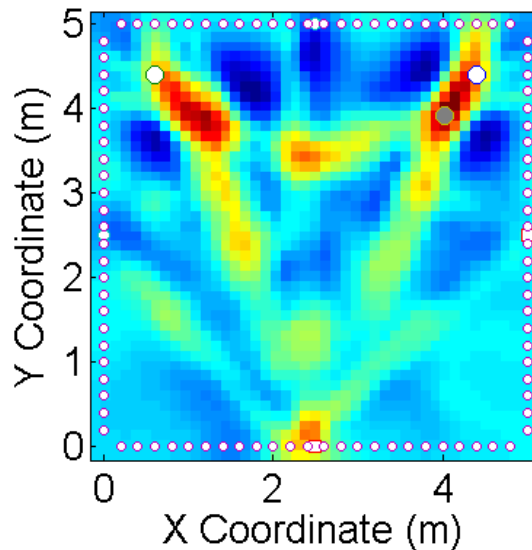


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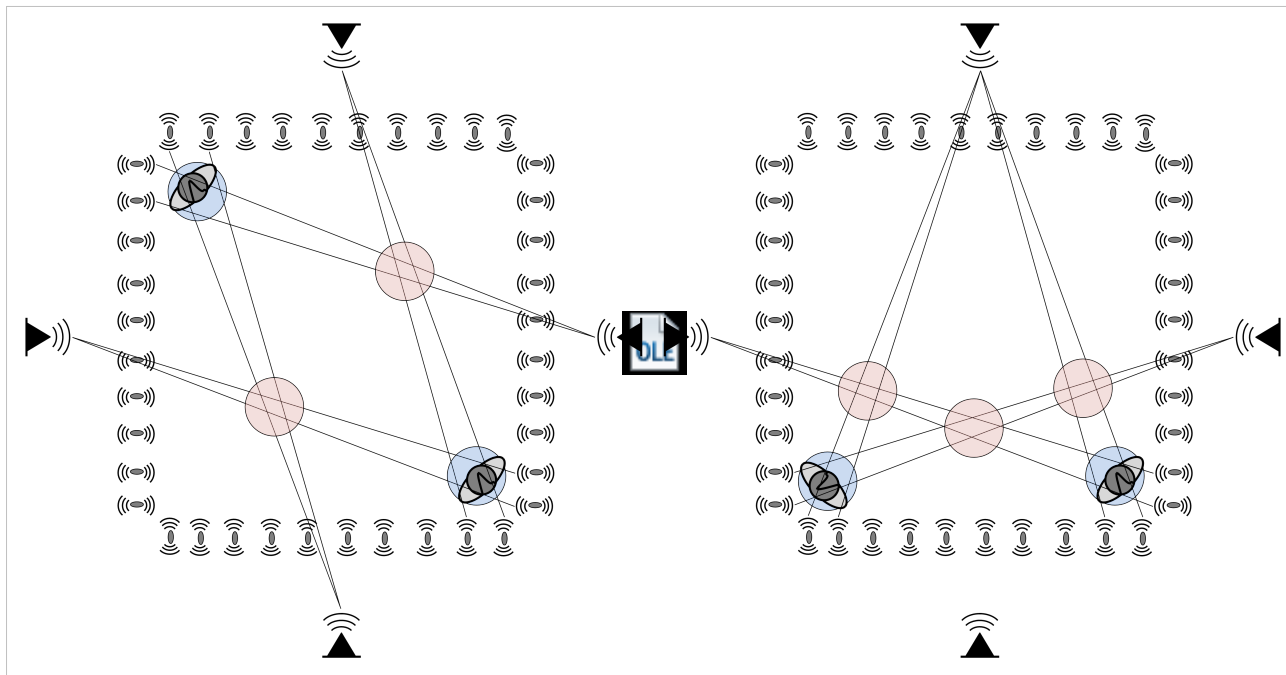
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- Ghost hotspots



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Maximum Removal Iteration (MRI)

- Choose Maximum

$$E(p) = \operatorname{argmax}(\Delta x)$$

- Calculate Correlating Link Matrix

$$i_{corr} = \forall i: (d_{t(i)E(p)} + d_{E(p)rx(i)} - d_{t(i)rx(i)} < \lambda_{backw})$$

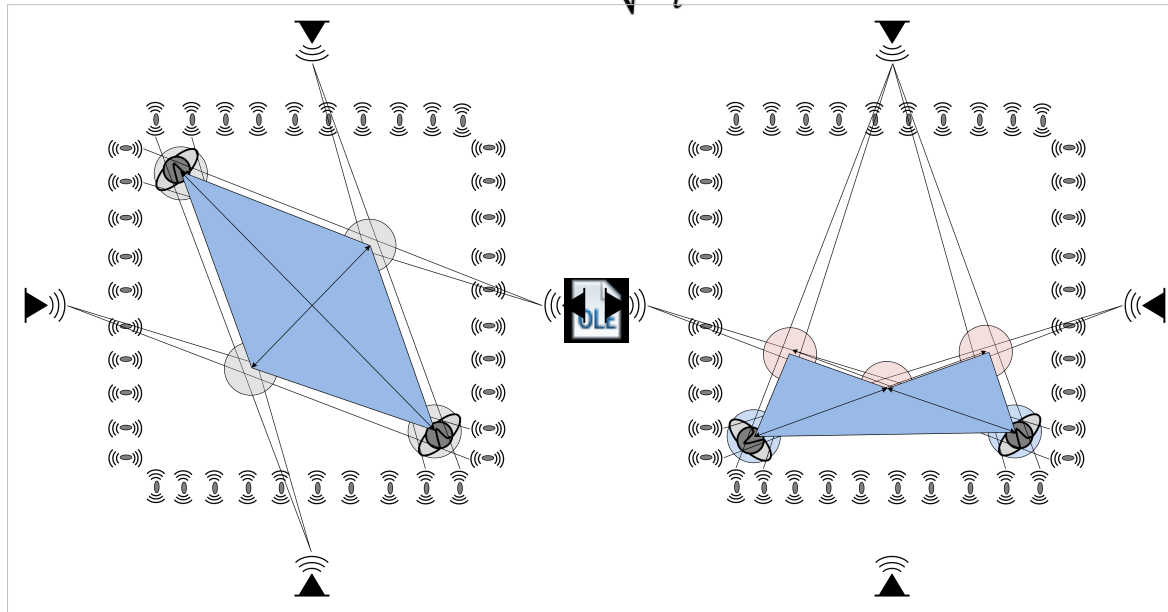
- Replace with Calibration Value

$$\Delta y(i_{corr}) = y_{cal}$$

Polygon Distance Estimation (PDE)

- Polygon n_e edge point calculation

$$E(p, e) = \operatorname{argmax} \left(\sqrt{\sum_i (n_e(1) - n_e(2))^2} \right)$$

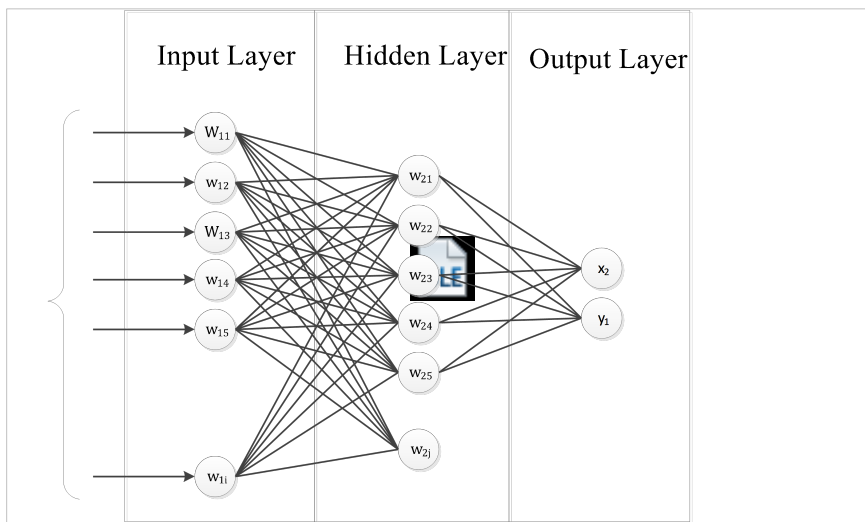


Multi-layer Perceptron Estimation (MPE)

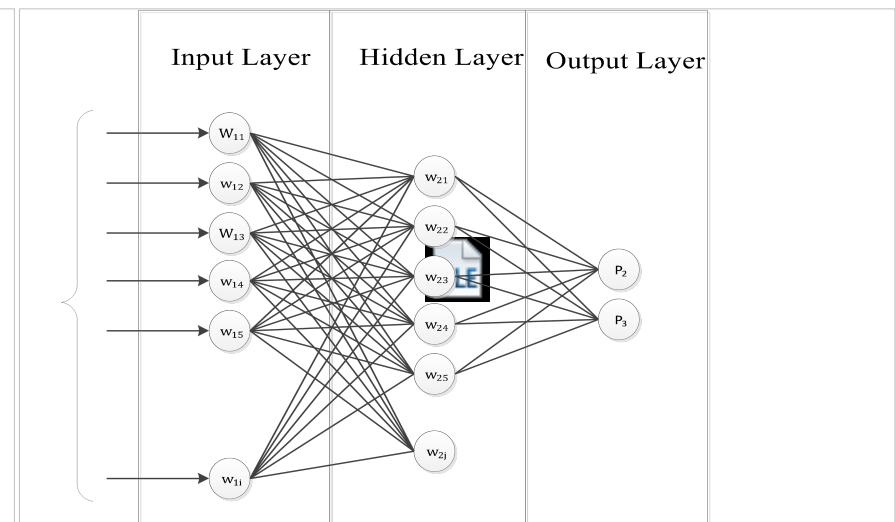
- Multi-layered Perceptrons (MLP)

$$out = t(W \times in + B)$$

Continuous output

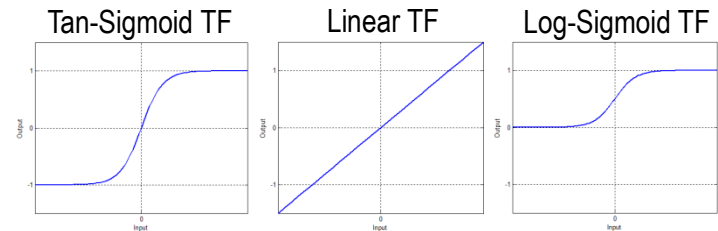
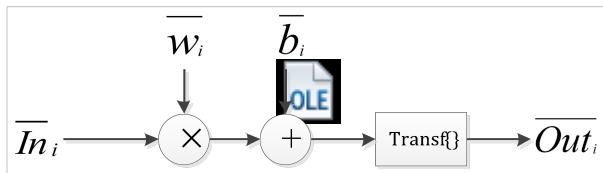


Symbolic output



Multi-layer Perceptron Estimation (MPE)

Neuron Structure



Backpropagation Learning

$$\Delta w_i = f(Err_{Out}, \mu)$$

Input layer neurons	160
Hidden layer neurons	10
Training iterations	1k



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Hardware

KATHREIN
RFID

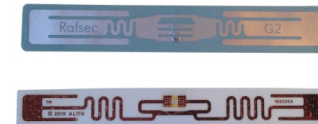
Kathrein
RRU4 UHF Reader



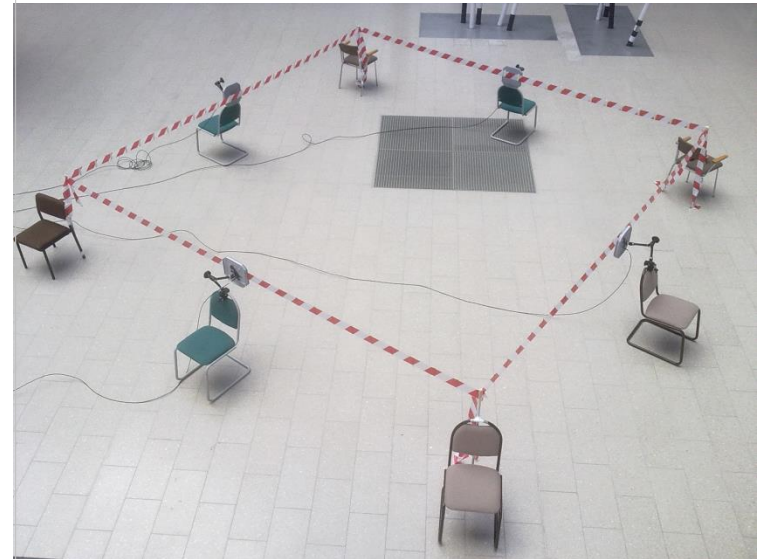
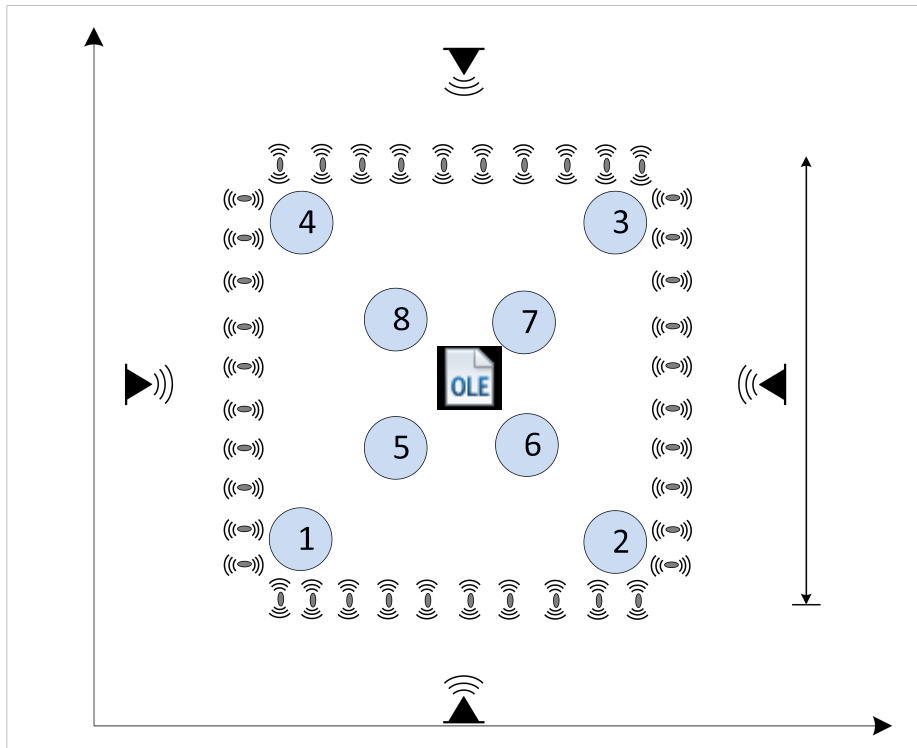
UHF Wide Range Antenna
70° ETSI 868 Mhz



UHF Transponder
„Squiggle“



Setup



Results

- Transponders: 40
- Evaluation Position Combinations: 4
 $\{(1,3);(2,4);(5,7);(6,8)\}$
- Measurement: ~ 40s à ~80 Readings/s
- Answer rate: ~ 90%

Approach	Mean error [m]
MRI	1.2759
PDE	0.2964
MLPE – Cont.	0.1154
MLPE – Symb.	0 %



Thank you !

Questions ?

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