

On Wi-Fi Fingerprint Datasets

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Outline

- Review of “Wi-Fi crowdsourced fingerprinting dataset for indoor positioning”
- On Wi-Fi Fingerprint Datasets for Indoor Localization & Navigation

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* E. S. Lohan et al., “Wi-Fi crowdsourced fingerprinting dataset for indoor positioning,” *Data*, vol. 2, no. 4, article no. 32, pp. 1-16, 2017. 3

Measurement

- Period: January–August 2017
- Place: A 5-floor building at Tampere University of Technology, Finland
 - The basement was not used.
- Client: Android app coded in Java using
 - Android Studio 2.2.3
 - Google cloud server-based application
- Server: Written in Python 2.7 with
 - REST API based on Flask.
 - Google services based on App Engine SDK for Python.
- The server stored the following information reported by users:
 - 3D Location (local coordinates in meter)
 - Time stamp
 - Device model (total 21)
 - MAC address
 - RSS (dBm in 2.4- and 5-GHz bands; +100 for non-heard APs)

Database

- Total number of fingerprints: 4648
- Randomly split the measurements into non-overlapping subsets:
 - Training: 697 (15%)
 - Test: 3951 (85%)
 - **No problem of mismatched training and dev/test sets.**
 - Note that UJIIndoorLoc DB has this problem.

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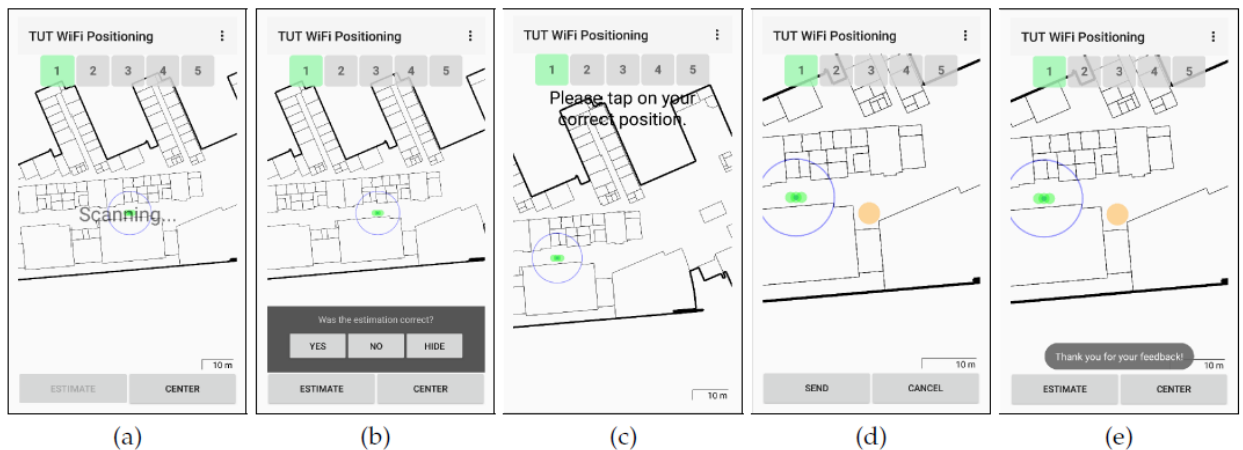


Figure 1. Five snapshots, in chronological order, of the interface of the Android application “TUT WiFi Positioning” used to collect the data. (a) initial position estimate; (b) asking for estimation feedback; (c) selecting the correct floor; (d) selecting the correct location; and (e) notification of received feedback.

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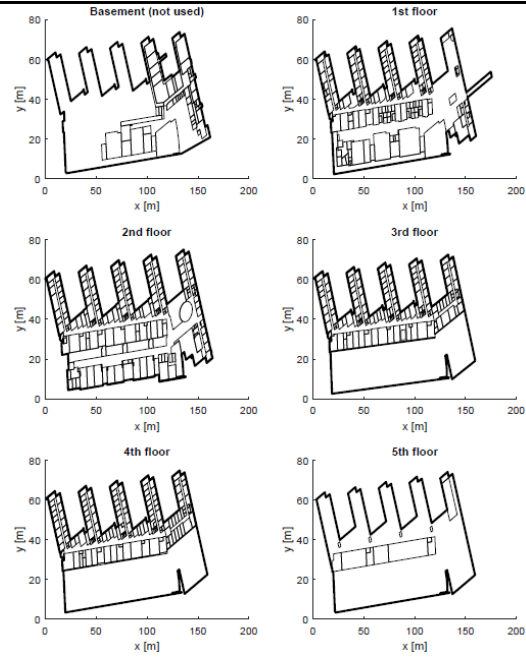


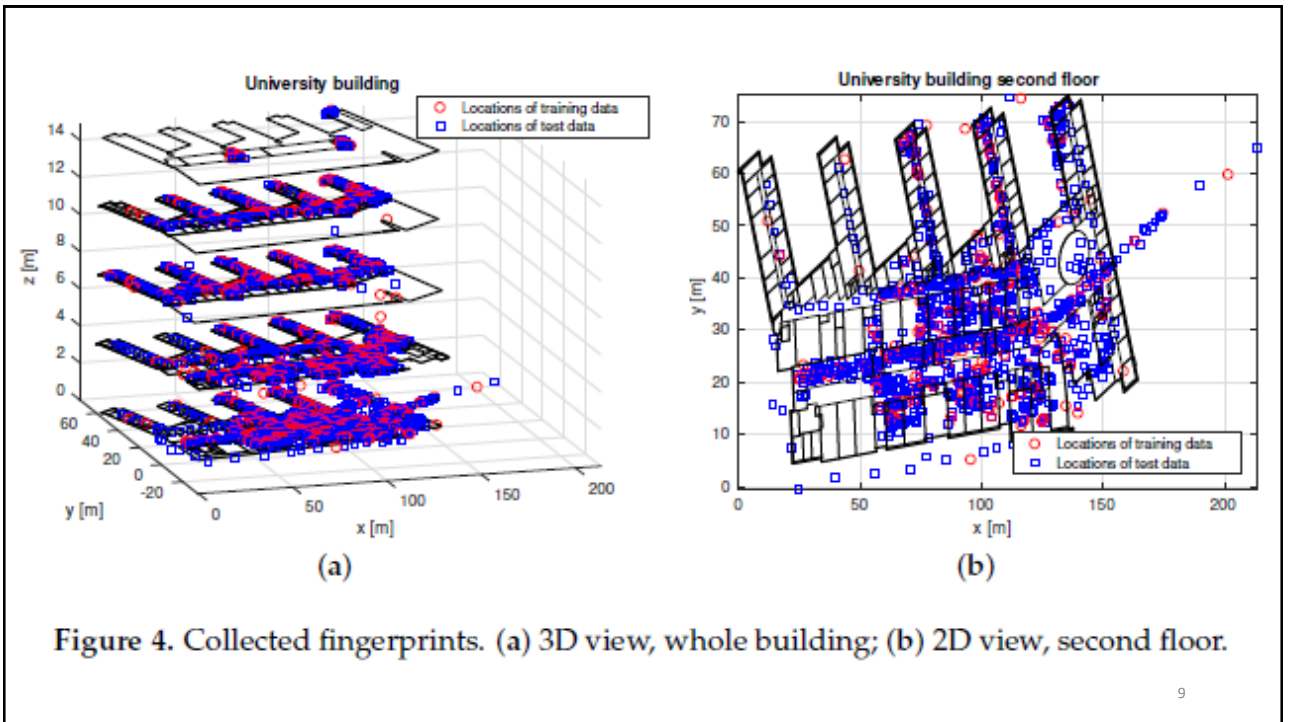
Figure 2. Floor maps of the 6-floor university building in which the measurements were recorded over five floors.

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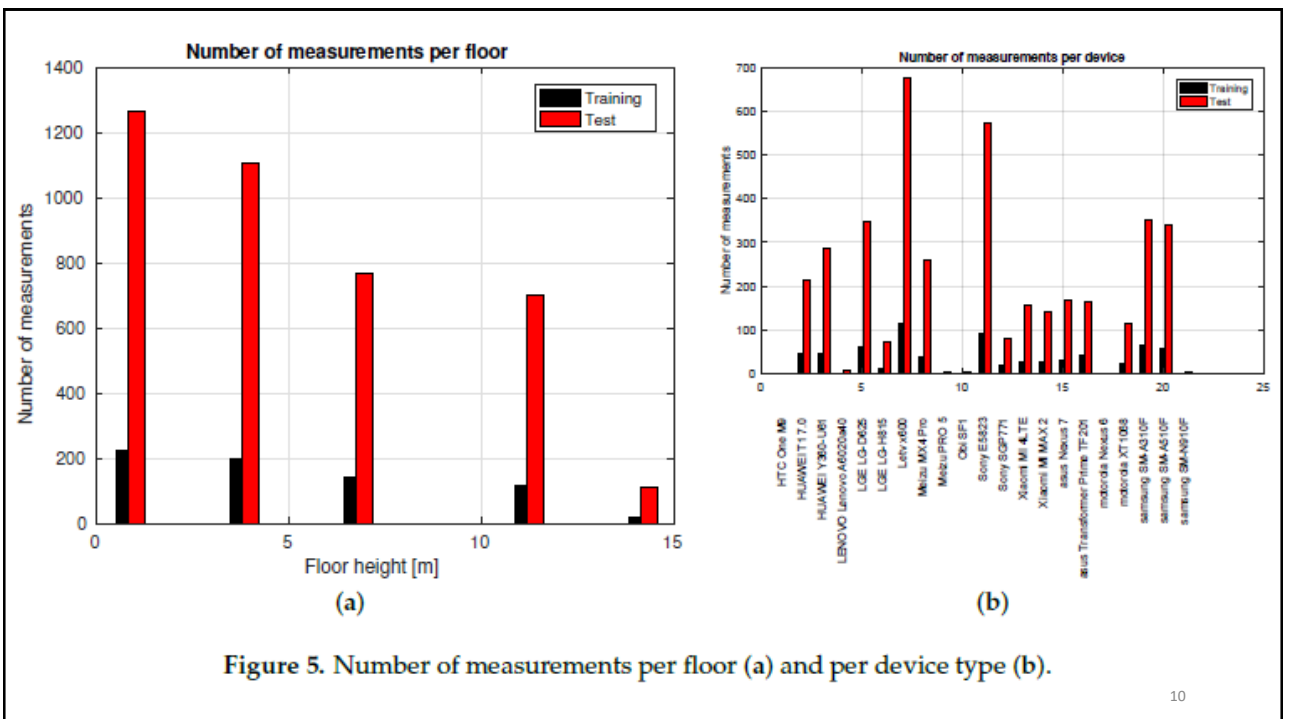


Figure 3. Environment of the measurements: example images at different floors of the building. (a) Main hallway seen from the second floor; (b) corridor partitioned by glass on the 4th floor; (c) restaurant area on the first floor; (d) corridor connecting different office spaces on the 3rd floor.

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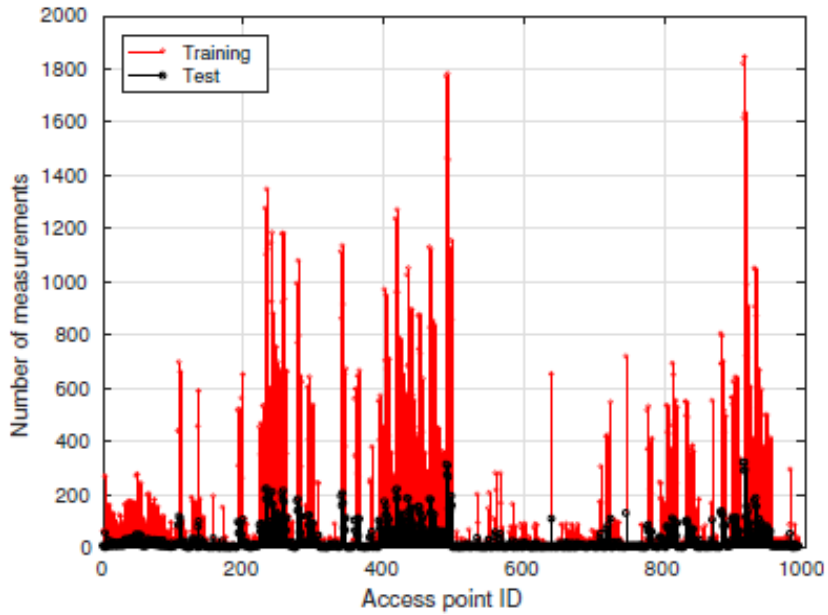


Figure 6. Number of measurements per access point (or MAC address). 11

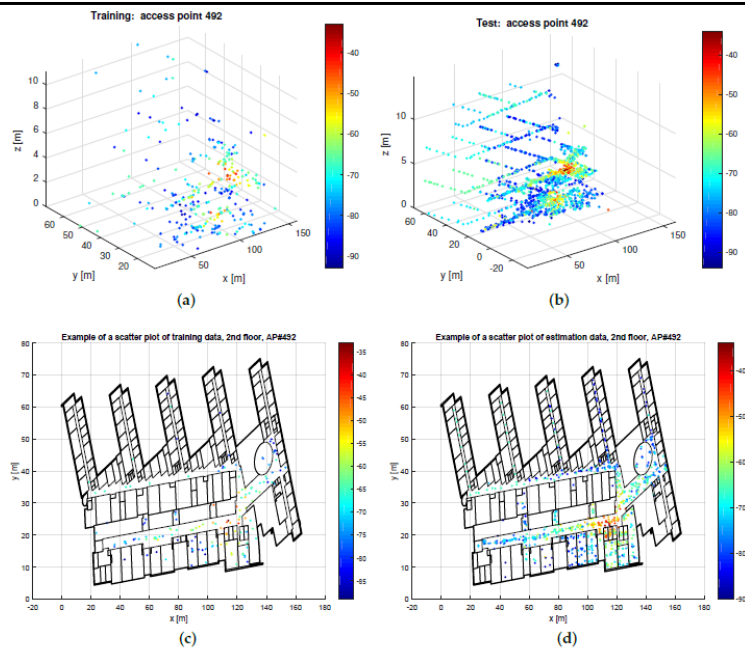
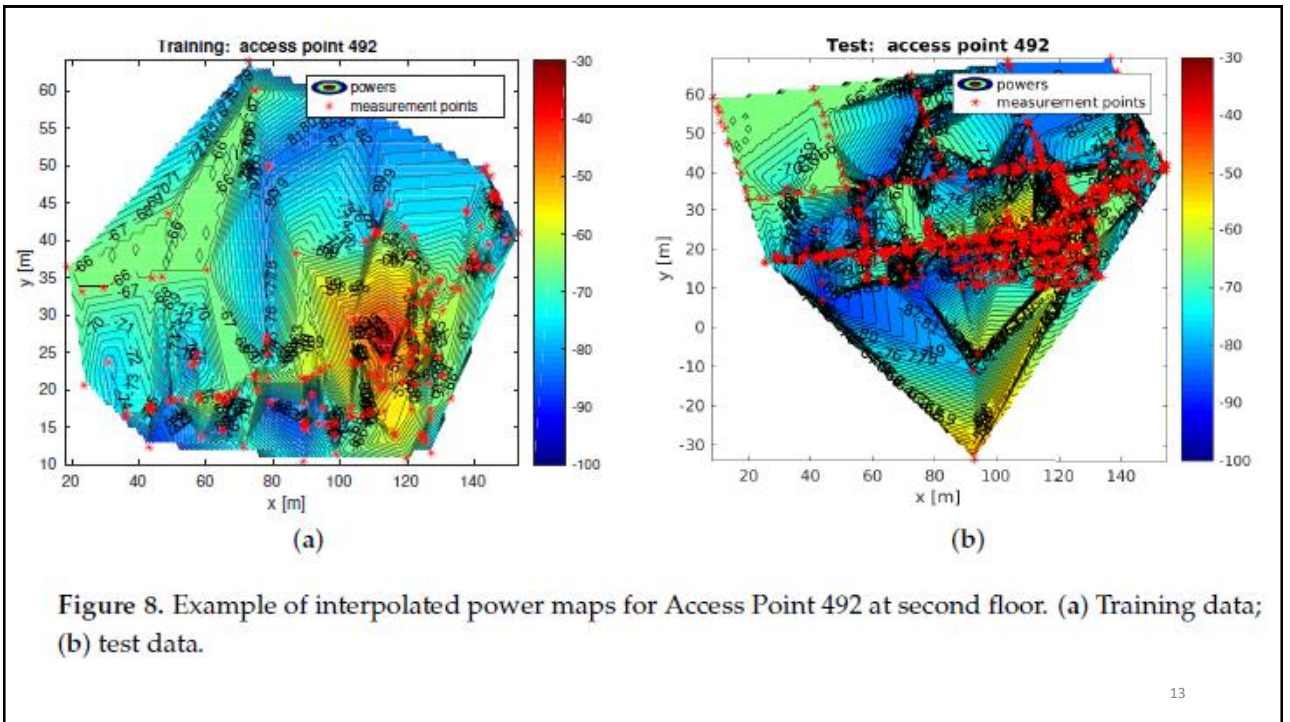


Figure 7. Examples of the 3D (up) and 2D (down) scatter diagrams (non-interpolated power maps) of AP 492. (a) 3D training data; (b) 3D test data; (c) 2D training data; (d) 2D test data.



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Table 2. Benchmark positioning results based on our dataset. RBF, Rank-Based Fingerprinting.

| Algorithm | Mean 2D Error (m) | Mean 3D Error (m) | Floor Detection (%) | Reference |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Weighted centroid | 10.64 | 11.57 | 83.19 | [18] |
| Log-Gaussian probability ($\sigma = 10, N_{\text{min}} = 3$) | 10.18 | 11.19 | 82.92 | [20,23] |
| Log-Gaussian probability ($\sigma = 7, N_{\text{min}} = 1$) | 9.78 | 11.03 | 85.29 | [20,23] |
| RSS clustering (affinity propagation) | 8.09 | 8.70 | 90.81 | [20] |
| 3D clustering (k-means) | 17.35 | 24.73 | 72.90 | [20] |
| UJI kNN algorithm (data=positive, dist=somnren, $N_{\text{min}} = 1, N_{\text{notheard}} = -103$) | 8.45 | 8.73 | 92.26 | [21] |
| UJI kNN algorithm (data=exponential, dist=neyman, $N_{\text{min}} = 1, N_{\text{notheard}} = -103$) | 8.60 | 9.02 | 91.98 | [21] |
| UJI kNN algorithm (data=powed, dist=somnren, $N_{\text{min}} = 1, N_{\text{notheard}} = -103$) | 8.65 | 8.92 | 92.99 | [21] |
| RTLS@UM (approach = 1, variant = 1, $n = k1 = 5, k2 = 3$) | 9.18 | 10.29 | 86.99 | [31,32] |
| RTLS@UM (approach = 1, variant = 3, $n = 5, k1 = 1, k2 = 3$) | 9.18 | 9.92 | 90.05 | [31,32] |
| RBF ($N_{\text{min}} = 1, \text{distance} = \text{sparmann}$) | 9.77 | 10.32 | 86.51 | [33] |
| Coverage area, pointwise defined (probability of AP match = 0.9) | 10.03 | 9.44 | 86.64 | [34] |
| Coverage area, distribution based (Gaussian distribution) | 13.01 | 11.68 | 69.07 | [36,37] |

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Diversity of The New Database

- A new environment where the AP deployment might highly differ from other available databases.
- A new building where its geometry, building materials, structural elements and obstacles might highly differ from the buildings in other available databases.
- Different conditions (e.g., density of people, and weather, among others).
- A higher number of APs (≈ 1000 MAC addresses).
- Benchmark results with the available dataset.

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Features of The New Database

- Samples are collected at random positions and orientations decided by the user
 - i.e., no grid-based or pre-established mapping.
- Just one sample per reference point.
- Different devices used to generate the database.
- Database division is more challenging
 - 15% of samples for training/reference and 85% of samples for evaluation.

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What To Measure?

- e.g., UJIIndoorLoc database

| Columns | Data |
|---------|--|
| 001-520 | RSSI levels |
| 521-523 | Real world coordinates of the sample points <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Longitude, latitude, floor |
| 524 | BuildingID |
| 525 | SpaceID |
| 526 | Relative position with respect to SpaceID |
| 527 | UserID |
| 528 | PhoneID |
| 529 | Timestamp |

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How To Measure?

- # of people
- # of devices
- Measurement period

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How To Organize Database?

- One common dataset vs. separate ones for training/validation/testing.

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