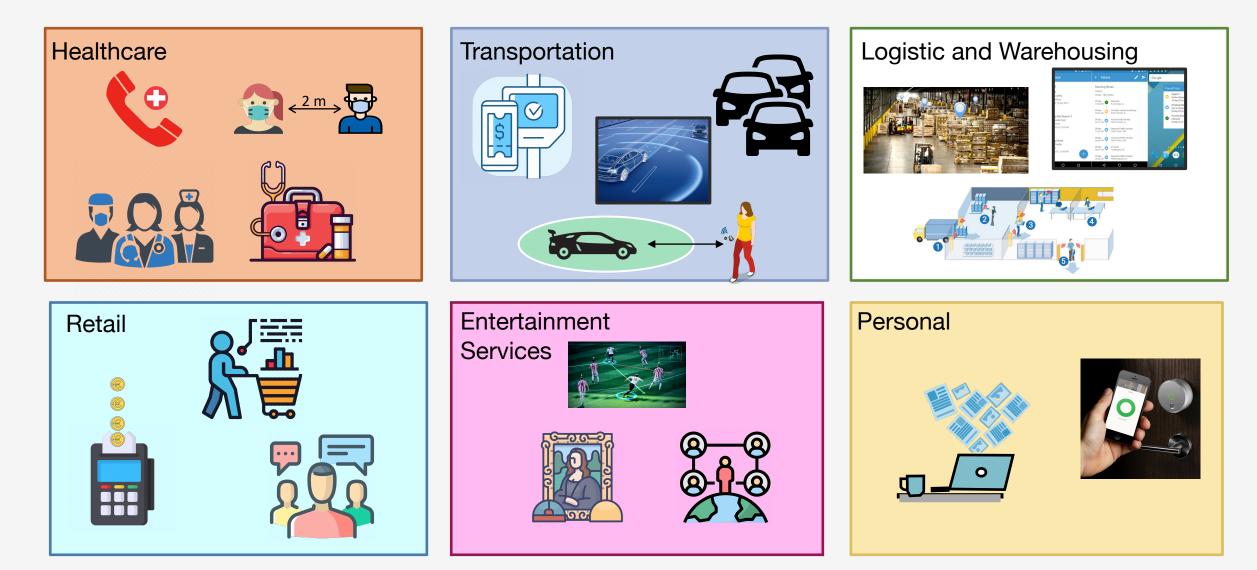


Secure Distance Estimation -Proximity to Positioning

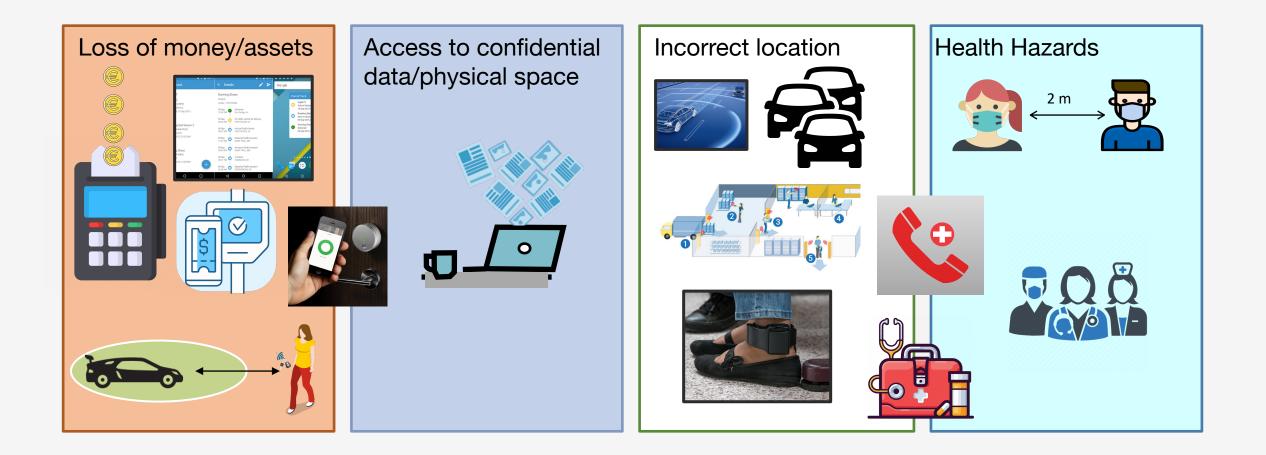
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Implications: Incorrect/Insecure Distance Measurement

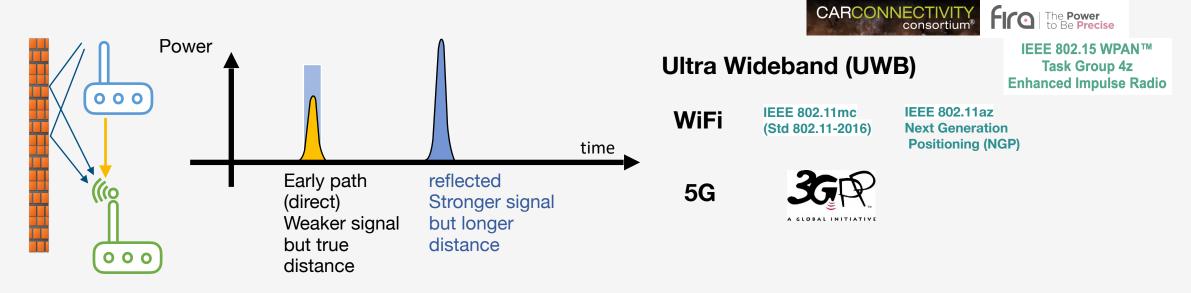








Ranging Techniques (Time-of-Flight)

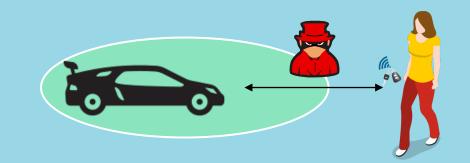


Security depends on logical and physical layer design



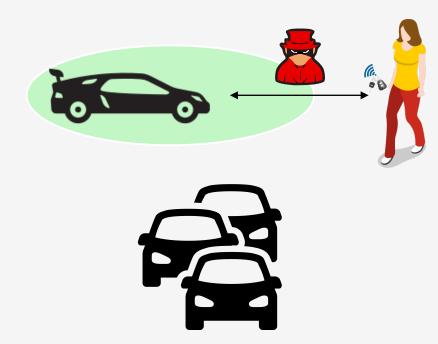
Proximity

Upper and lower bound on the measured distance





Proximity



Attacker Model: Mafia Fraud

Precise and **Performant ranging** under different channel conditions

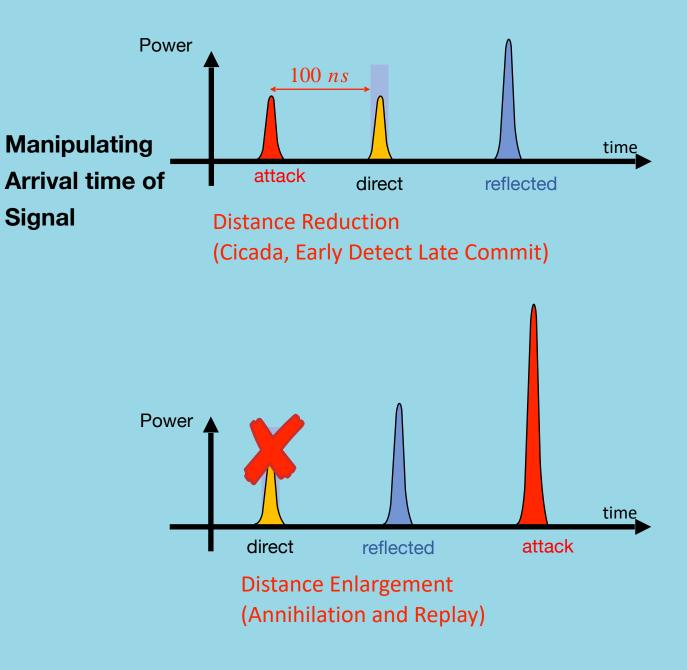
Secure against distance manipulation attacks.

(Reduction and Enlargement Attack)

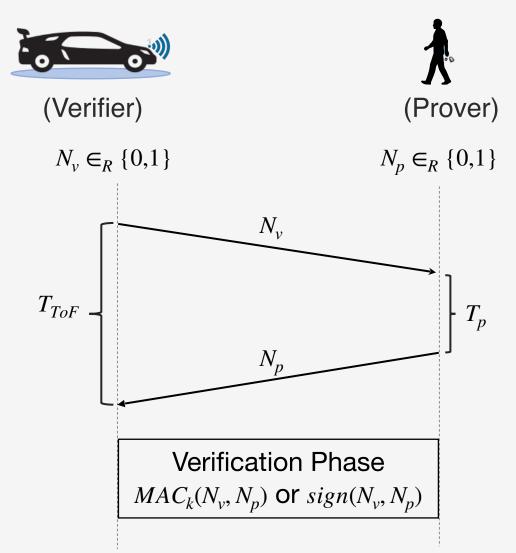


Distance Reduction

Distance Enlargement





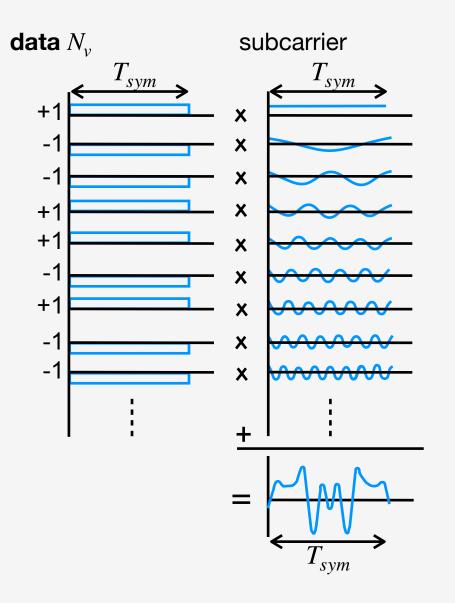


Challenge-Response protocols

 Prevent distance reduction by relay attacks

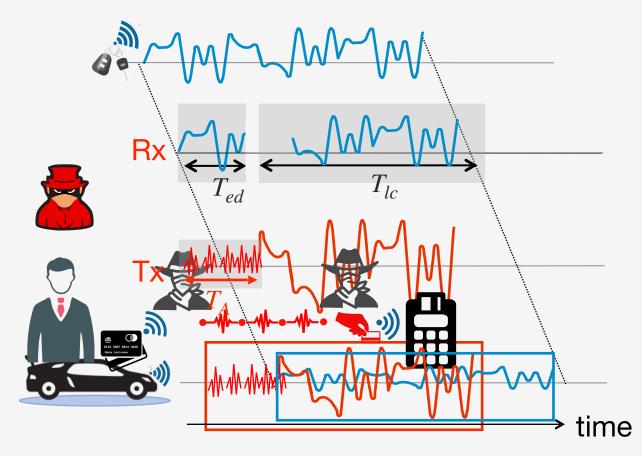
• Probability of distance reduction depend on the attacker's ability of predict (N_v , N_p)





- Orthogonal frequency-division multiplexing (OFDM)
- Used in 5G and WiFi



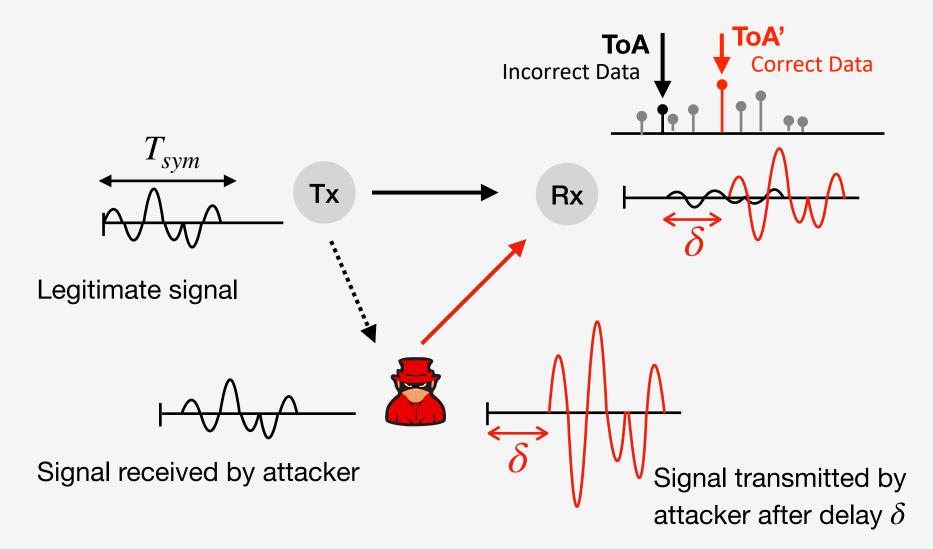


Steps to insert earlier path

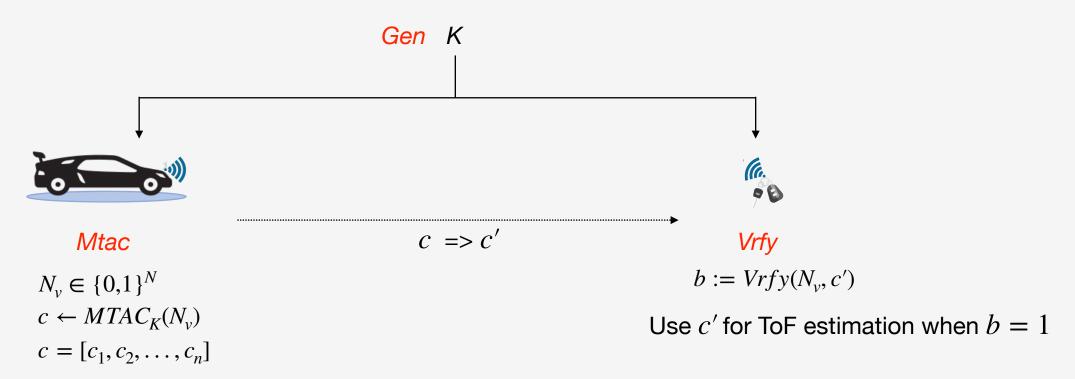
- Send noise in time T_A
- Learn shape of the symbol in time T_{ed}
- Commit correct symbol in time T_{lc}

Early-detect/late-commit (ED/LC) Attack

Distance Enlargement Attack (Overshadowing)



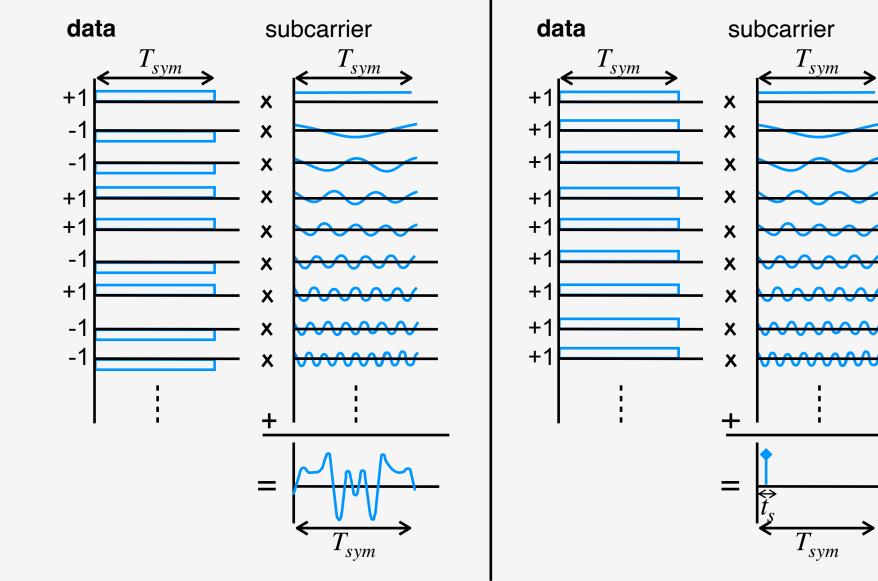




 $\label{eq:main} \textit{Mtac} - \textit{Encode message} \ \textit{m} \ \textit{to a sequence} \ c \\ \textit{Vrfy} - \textit{Check integrity of } c' \ \textit{at physical and logical layer for ToF measurement} \\$

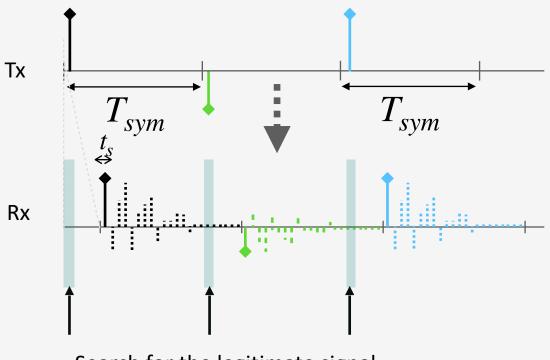
Patrick Leu, Mridula Singh, Marc Roeschlin, Kenneth G. Paterson, Srdjan Capkun, Message Time of Arrival Codes: A Fundamental Primitive for Secure Distance Measurement in IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P), 2020





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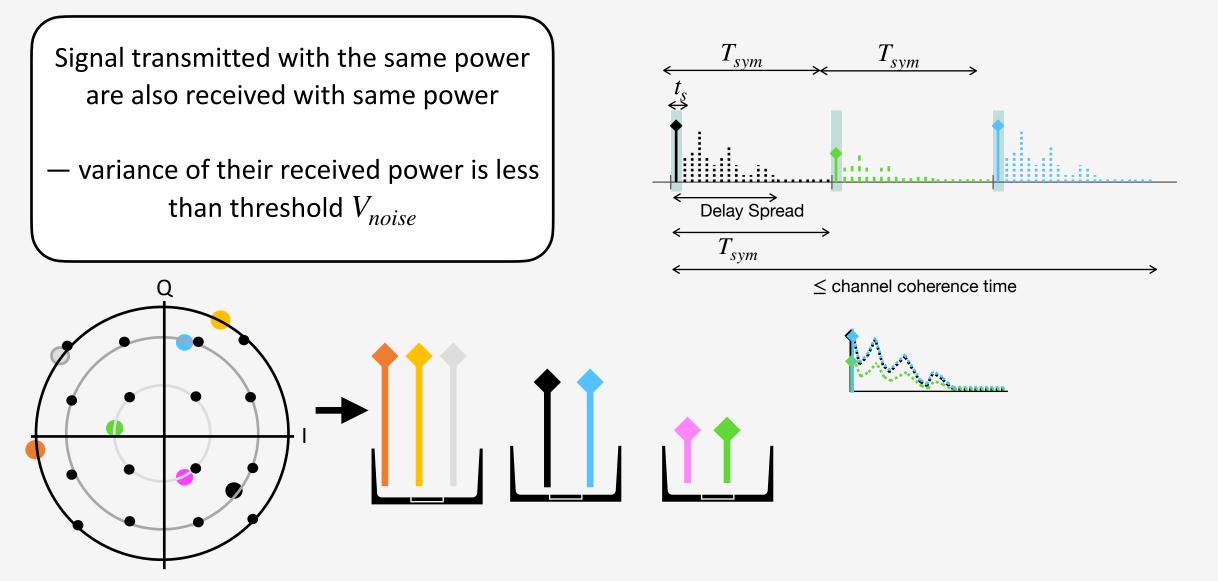


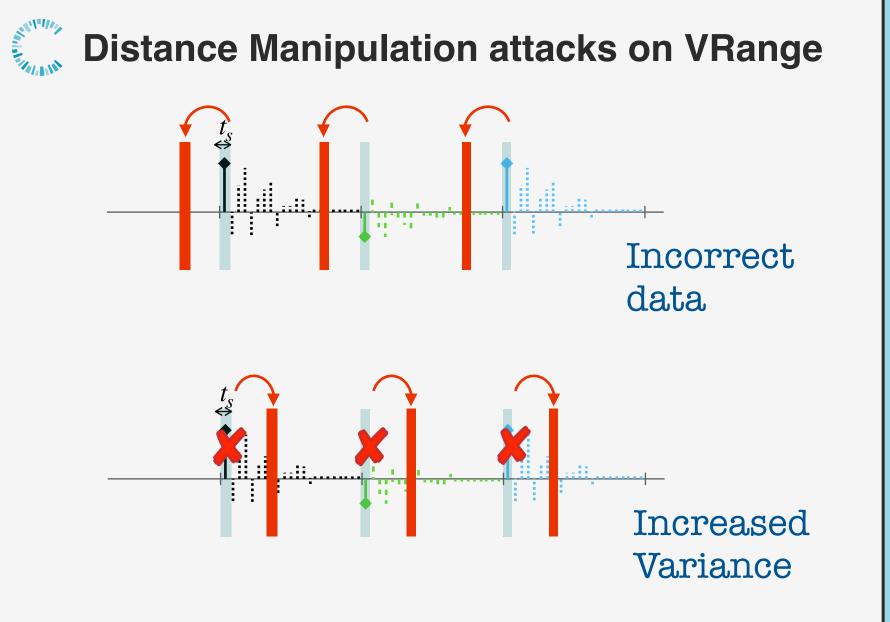
Search for the legitimate signal

Samples collected in time t_s are sufficient to verify ToA (as single carrier symbols)

- High granularity leads to higher precision
- Can differentiate between legitimate signal, noise (multipath) and attack signal





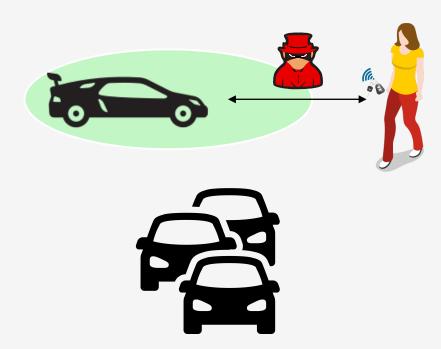


Distance Reduction

Distance Enlargement



Proximity



- Upper and Lower Bound on the measured distance
- Attacker Model: Mafia Fraud

- Distance Bounding at logical layer
- MTAC at the physical layer
- Integrity checks at the receiver

(e.g., VRange, UWB-PR, UWB-ED)



Positioning

Localization, Navigation and Tracking

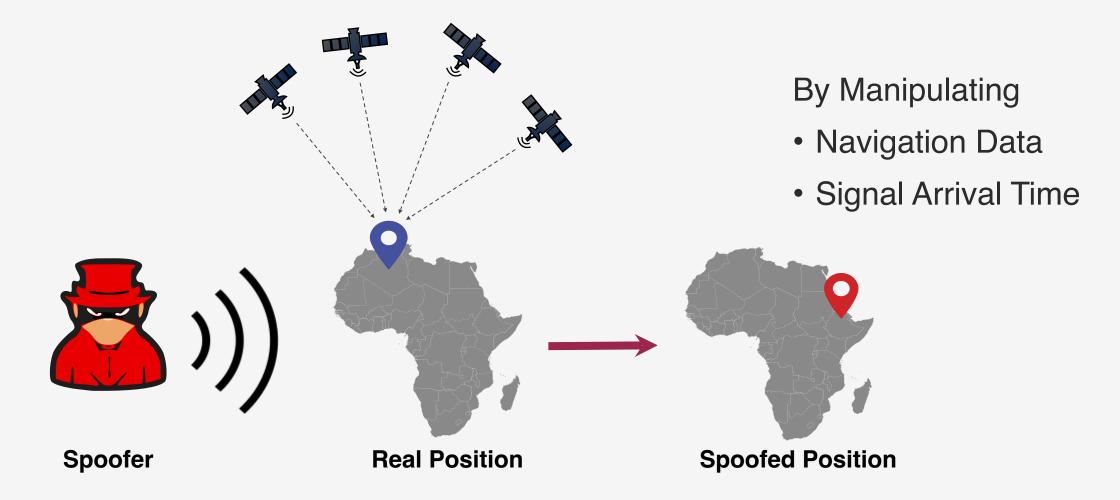




- The de-facto outdoor localization systems for navigation and tracking.
- Each satellite transmits navigation messages containing its location and precise time of transmission
- Unique pseudorandom codes are used
- GPS receiver measures each navigation message's arrival time and estimates its distance to the satellite.

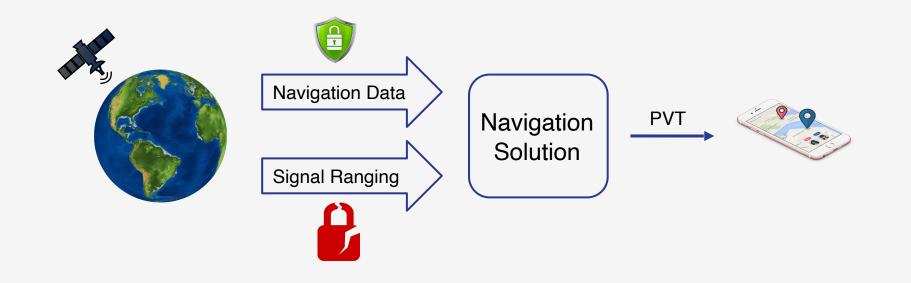
• Receiver's position and time is calculated using trilateration





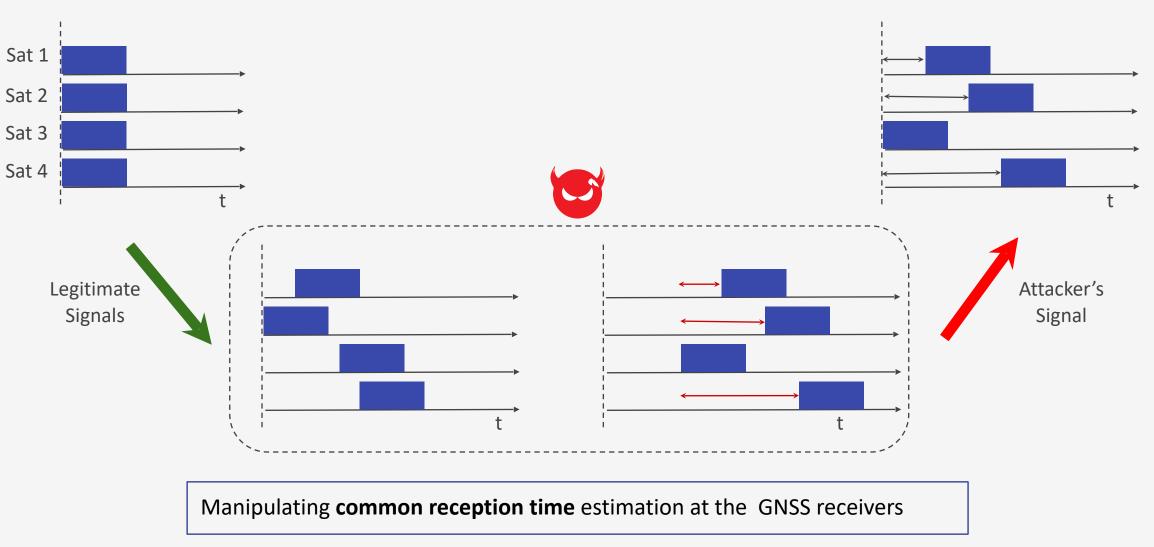


GALILEO: Open Service Navigation Message Authentication (OSNMA)





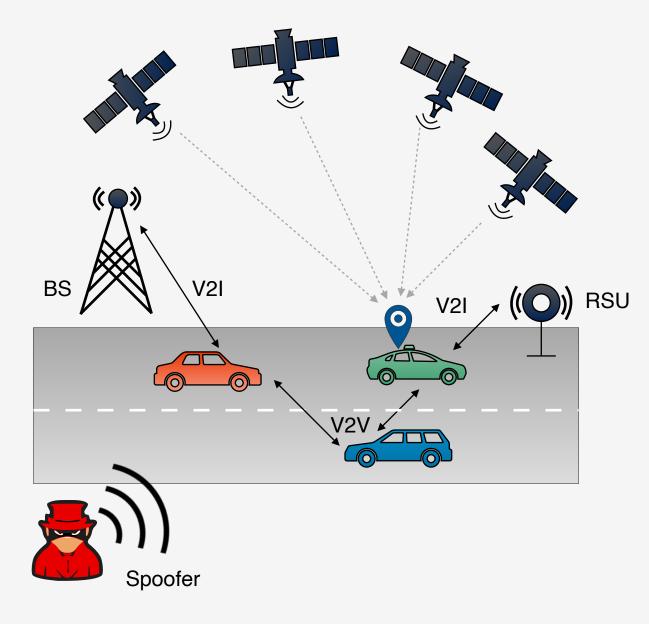
Relative time of arrival at the victim



²³ Maryam Motallebighomi, Harshad Sathaye, Mridula Singh, and Aanjhan Ranganathan, Location-independent GNSS Relay Attacks: A Lazy Attacker's Guide to Bypassing Navigation Message Authentication in WiSec'23 (to appear)



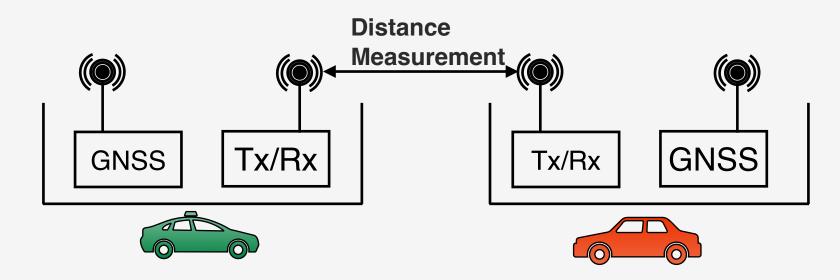
Distance Bounding for Position Verification



Can we use proximity of users to detect GNSS spoofing?

- Unique and dynamic nature of the road traffic

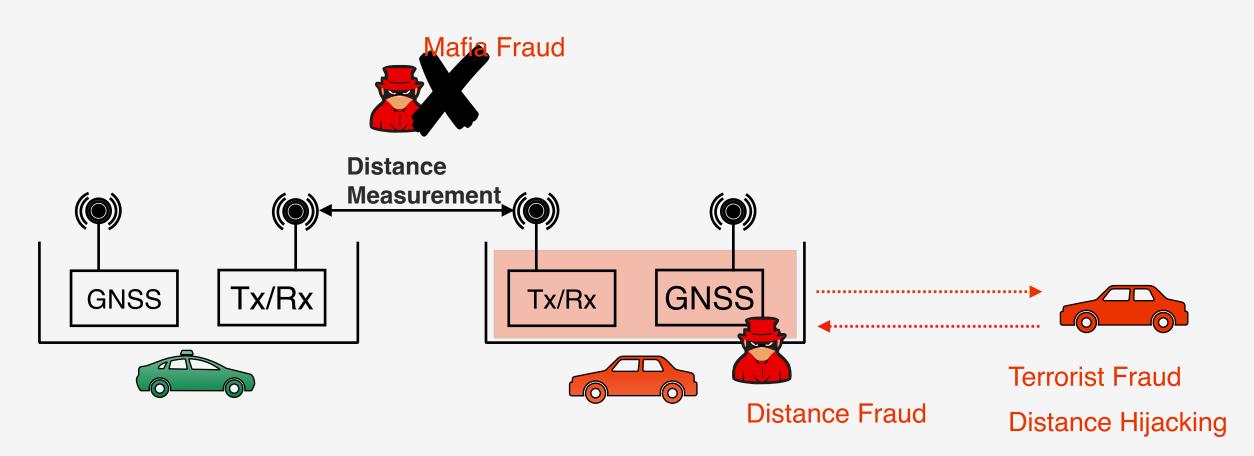




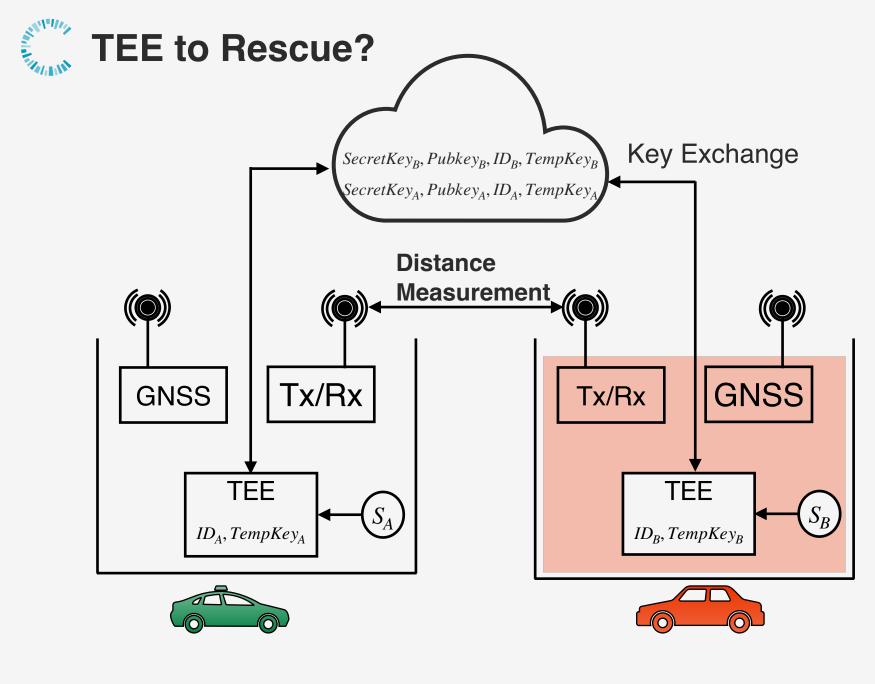
Users share GNSS coordinates and perform Distance Measurement

Compare GNSS coordinates and ToF estimate to validate their position information





Compare GNSS coordinates and ToF estimate



Deter users from colluding

Distance Fraud is still possible



Thank You

