

# **SCPL: Indoor Device-Free Multi-Subject Counting and Localization Using Radio Signal Strength**

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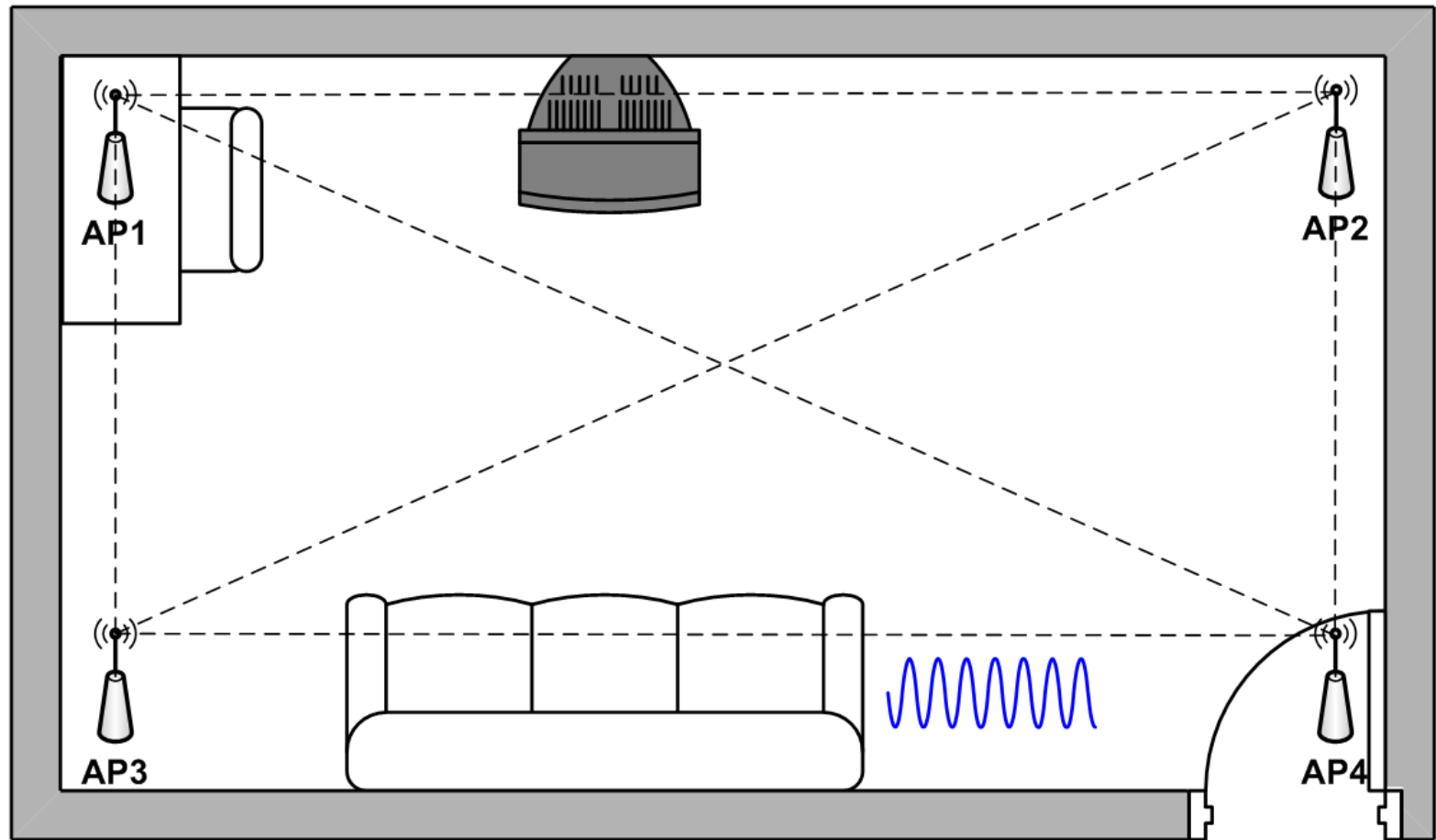
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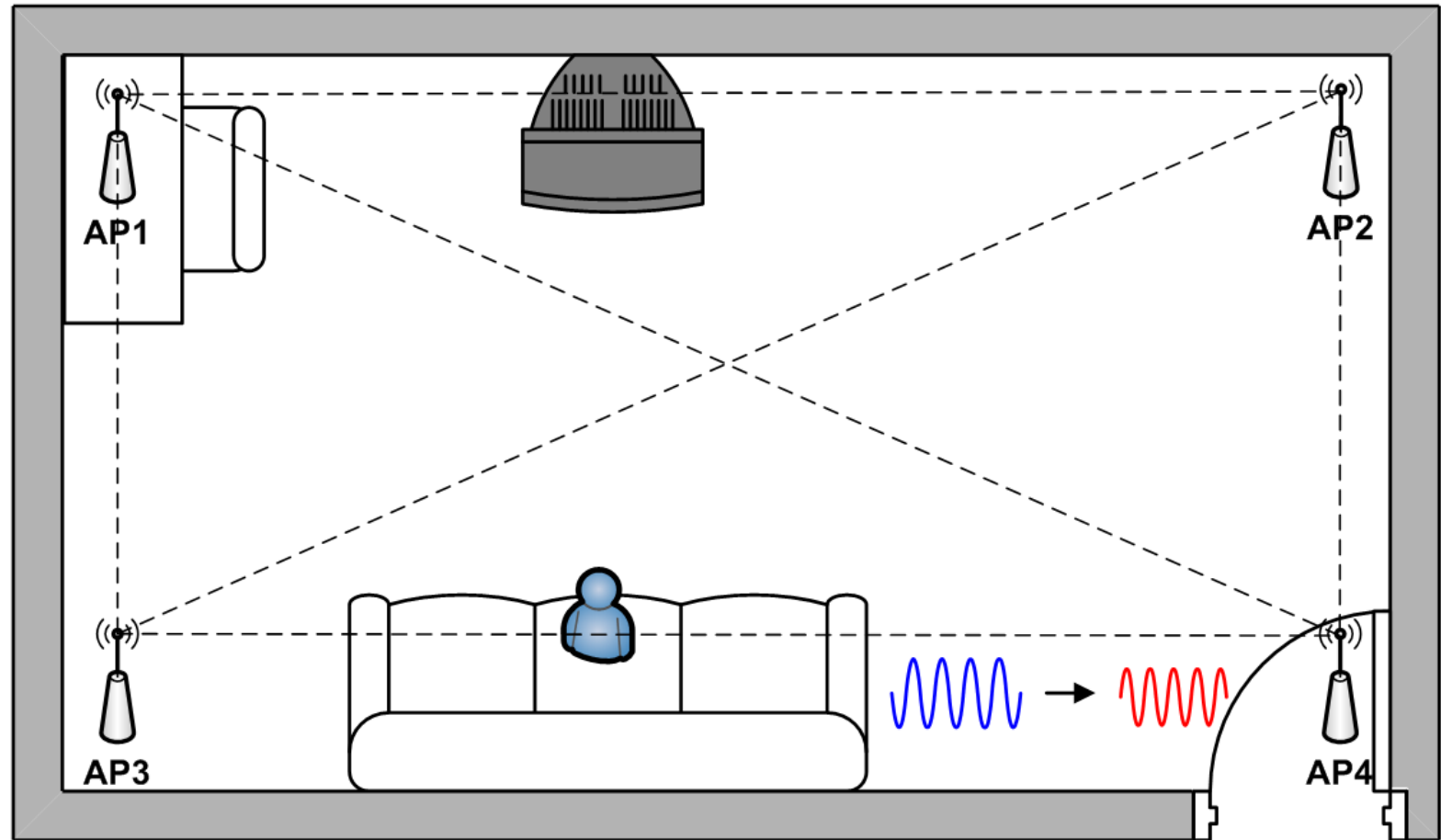
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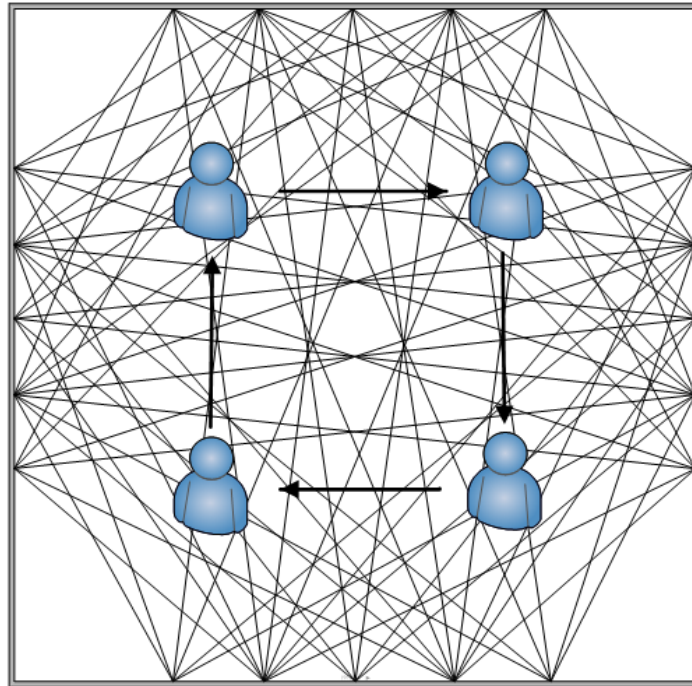
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# Previous Work

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- **Single subject localization**
  - **Fingerprinting-based approach**



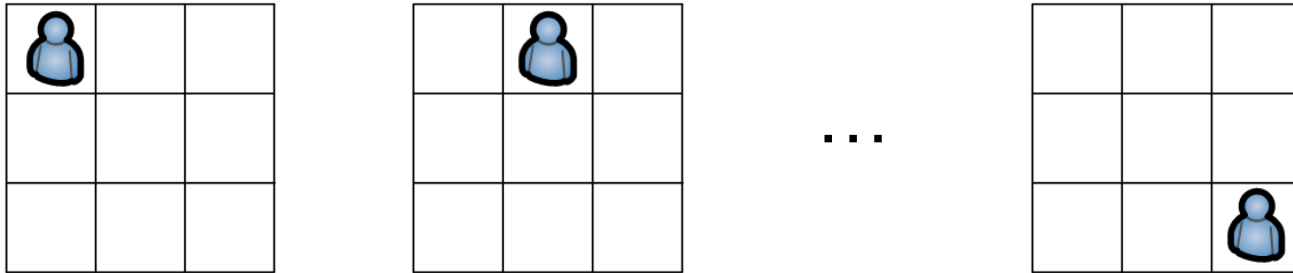
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- ❑ Multiple subjects localization
  - ❑ Needs to take calibration data from **N** people for localizing **N** people

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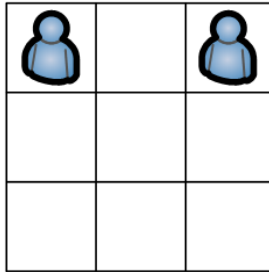
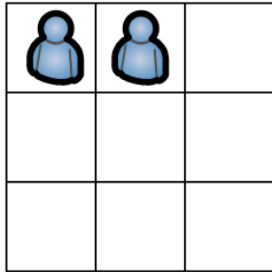
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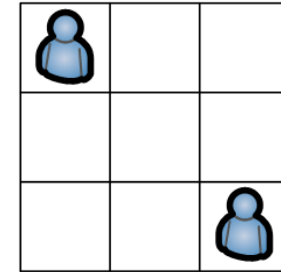
**9 trials in total for 1 person**

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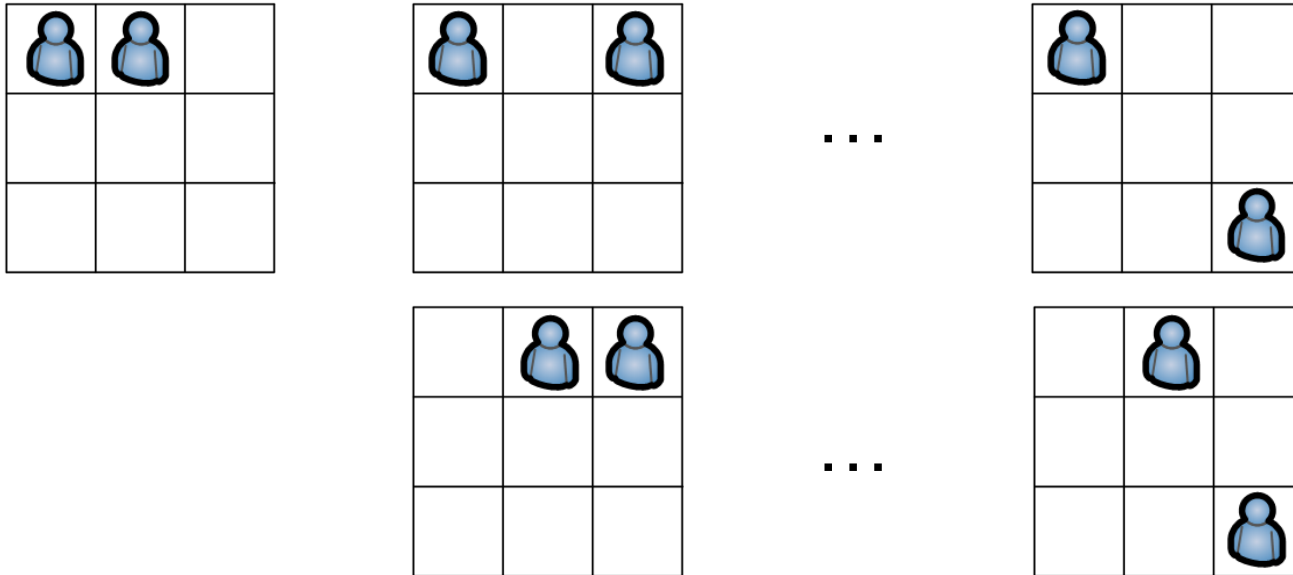
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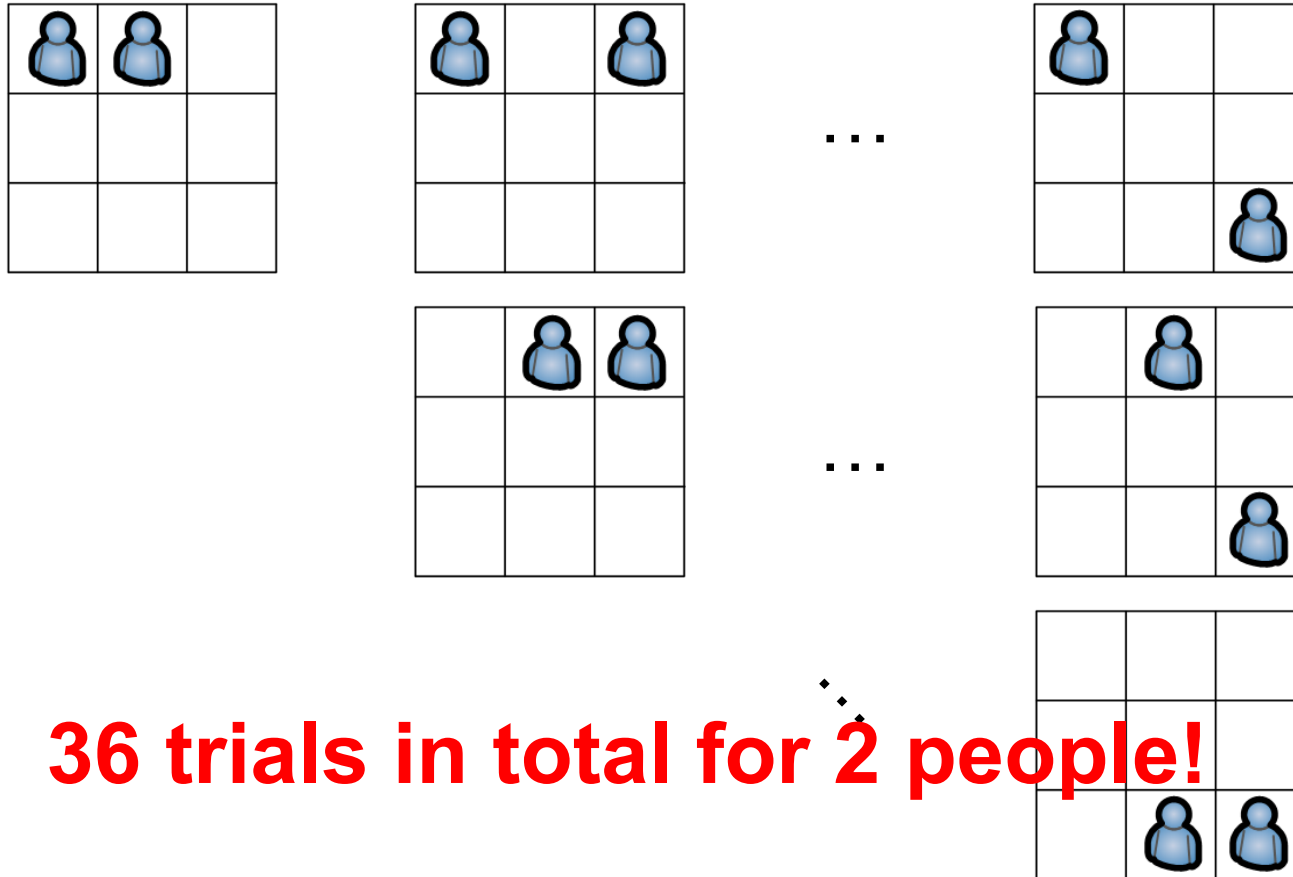


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	1 person
9 cells	9

$$9 \times 1 \text{ min} = 9 \text{ min}$$

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	1 person	2 people
9 cells	9	36
36 cells	36	<b>630</b>

$$630 \times 1 \text{ min} = 10.5 \text{ hr}$$

# Fingerprinting N Subjects

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	1 person	2 people	3 people
9 cells	9	36	84
36 cells	36	630	7140
100 cells	100	4950	161700

**$161700 \times 1 \text{ min} = 112 \text{ days}$**   
**The calibration effort is prohibitive !**

# SCPL

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## □ Input

- Collecting calibration data only from **1** subject (D1)
- Observed RSSI change caused by  $n$  subjects

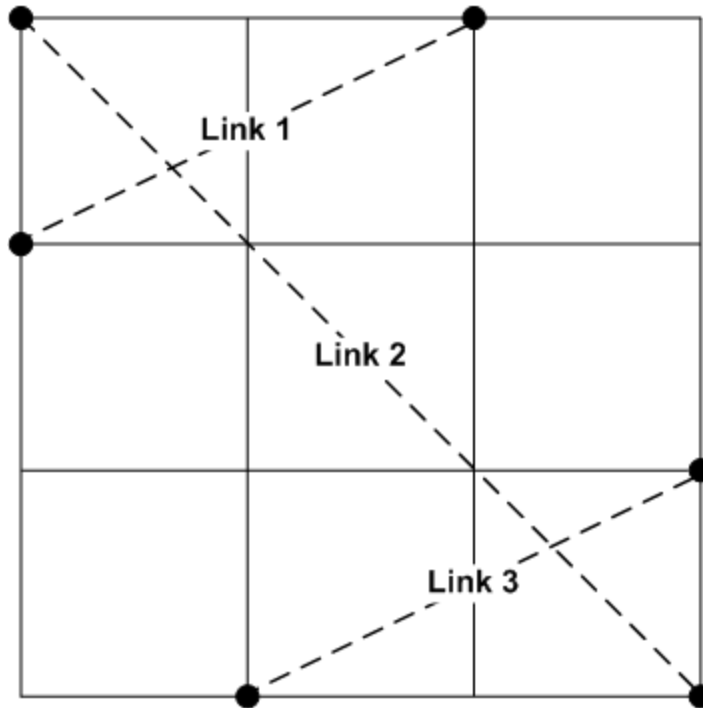
## □ Output

- *count* and *localize* **N** subjects.

## □ Main Insight:

- If the number  $n$  is known, localizing  $n$  subjects

# No Subjects



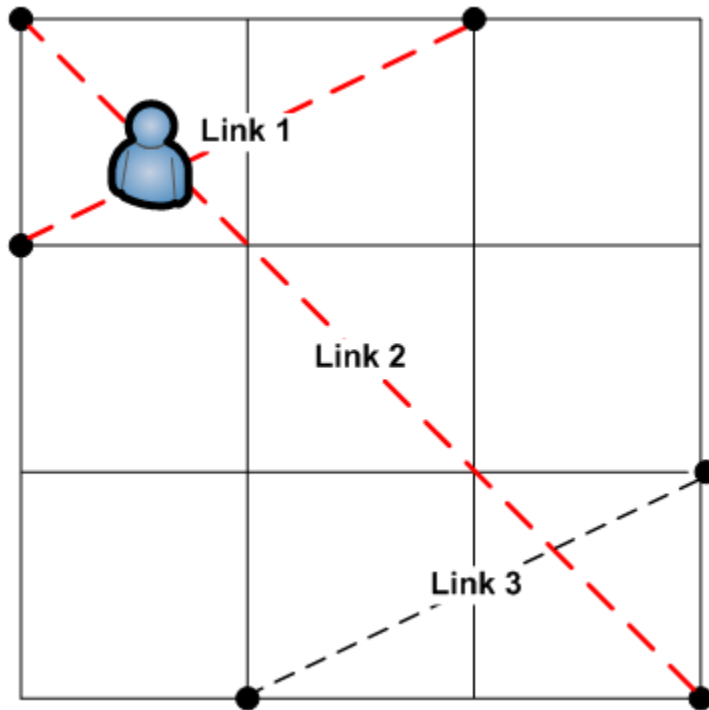
Link 1 change    ~~~~~    0 dB

Link 2 change    ~~~~~    0 dB

Link 3 change    ~~~~~    0 dB



# One Subject

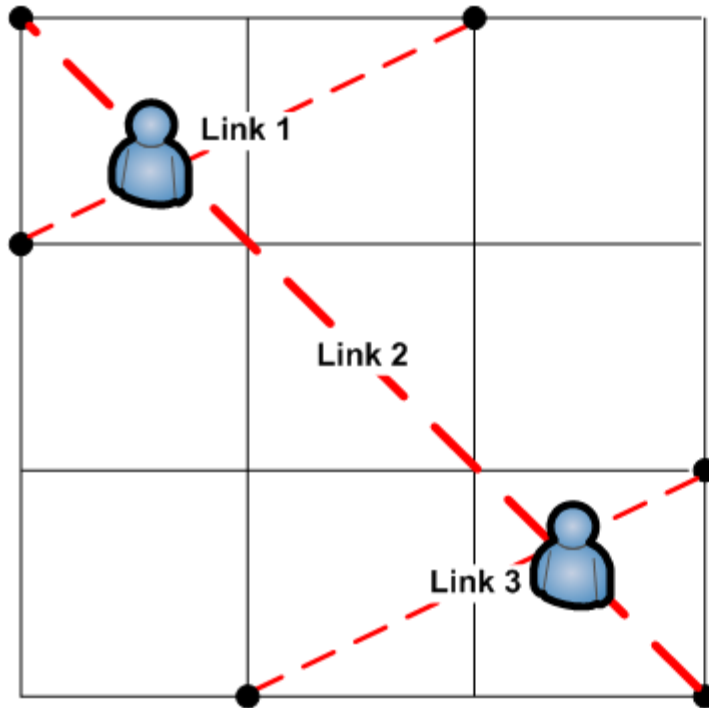


Link 1 change  4 dB

Link 2 change  5 dB

Link 3 change  0 dB

# Two Subjects



Link 1 change  4 dB

Link 2 change  7 dB

Link 3 change  5 dB

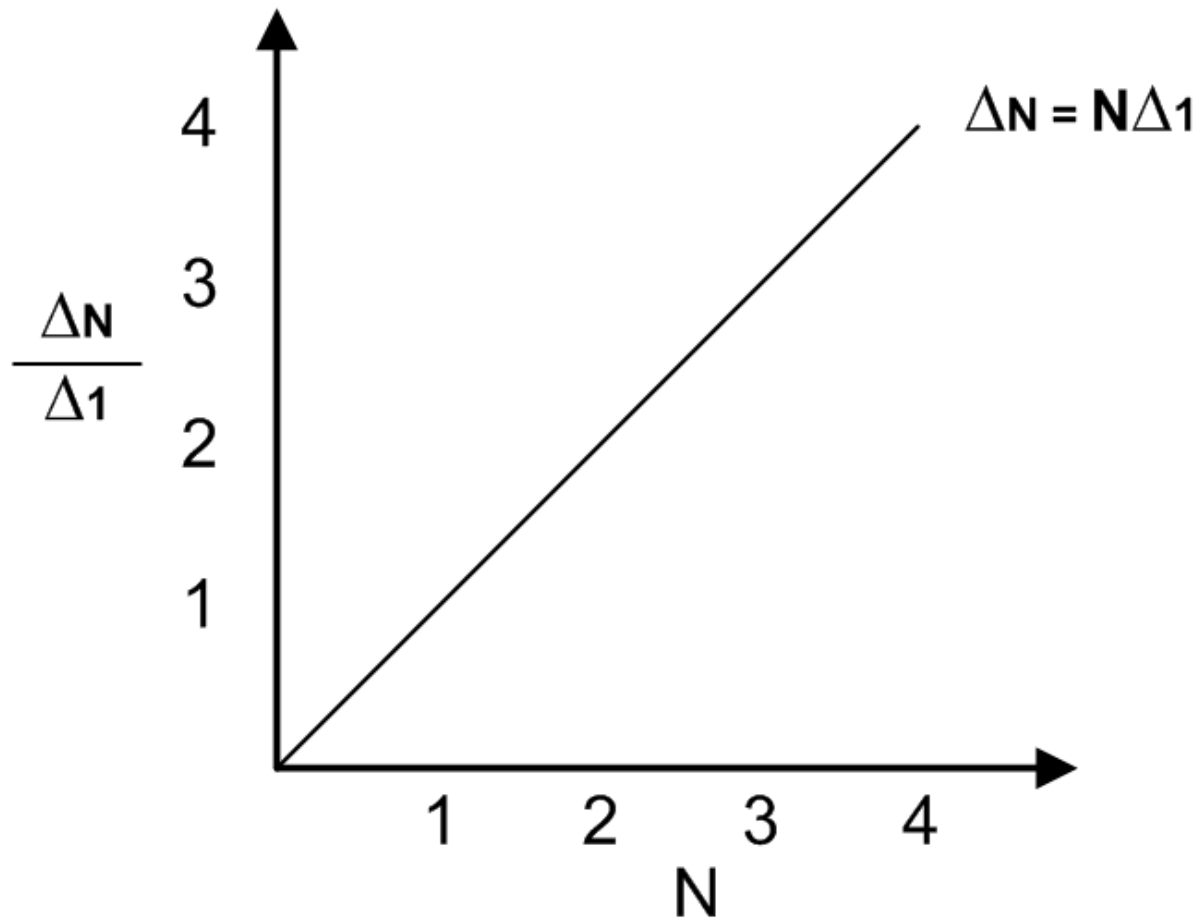
# Measurement

	<b>N = 0</b>	<b>N = 1</b>	<b>N = 2</b>
Link 1	0	4	4
Link 2	0	5	7
Link 3	0	0	5
Total ( $\Delta_N$ )	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>

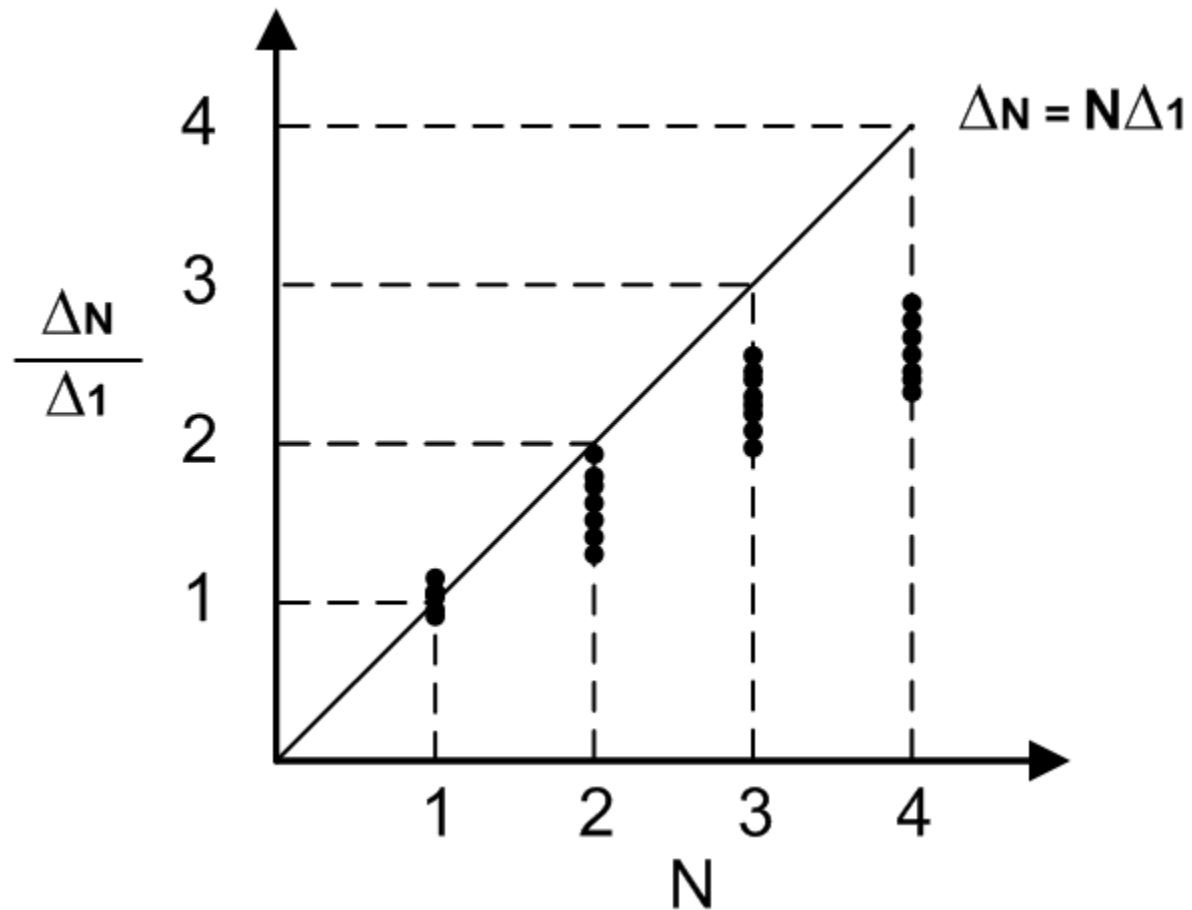
$$\Delta_N \propto N?$$

$$\Delta_N / \Delta_1 = N?$$

# Measurement



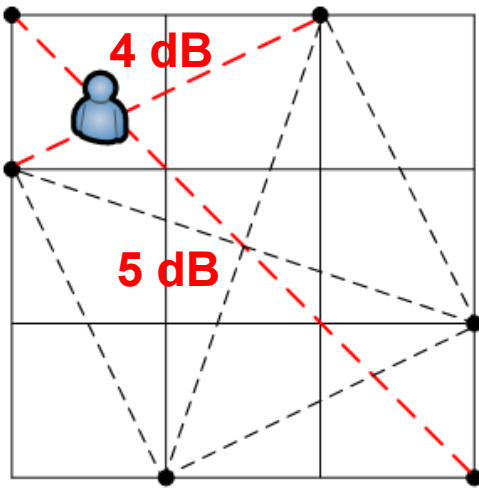
# Measurement



$$\Delta N / \Delta 1 \neq N$$

# Measurement

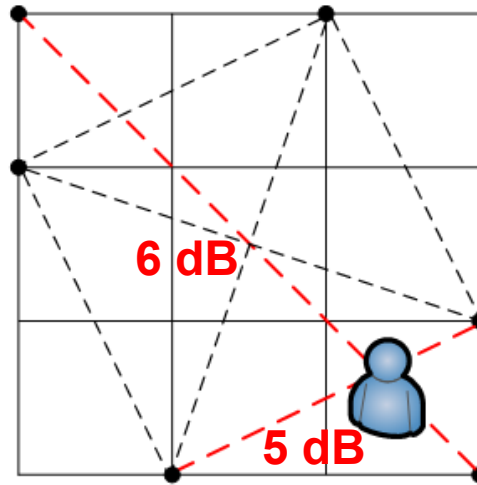
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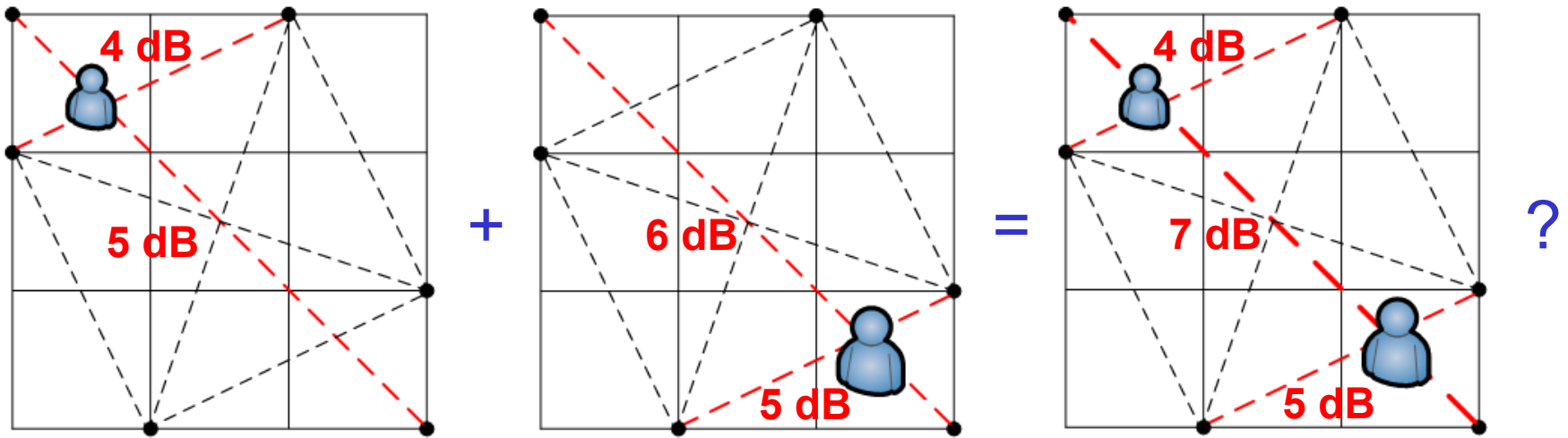


# Measurement

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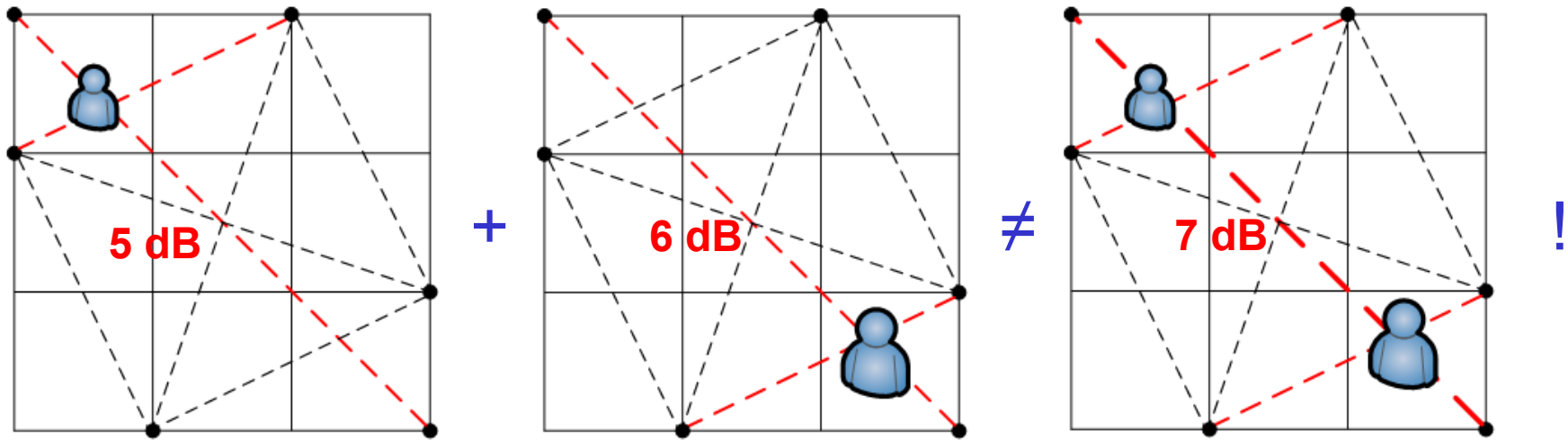


$$4 \text{ dB} + 0 \text{ dB} = 4 \text{ dB} \quad \checkmark$$

$$5 \text{ dB} + 6 \text{ dB} = 11 \text{ dB} \neq 7 \text{ dB} \quad \times$$

$$0 \text{ dB} + 5 \text{ dB} = 5 \text{ dB} \quad \checkmark$$

# Measurement



$$5 \text{ dB} + 6 \text{ dB} \neq 7 \text{ dB} \quad \text{X}$$

**Shared links observe nonlinear fading effect from multiple people**

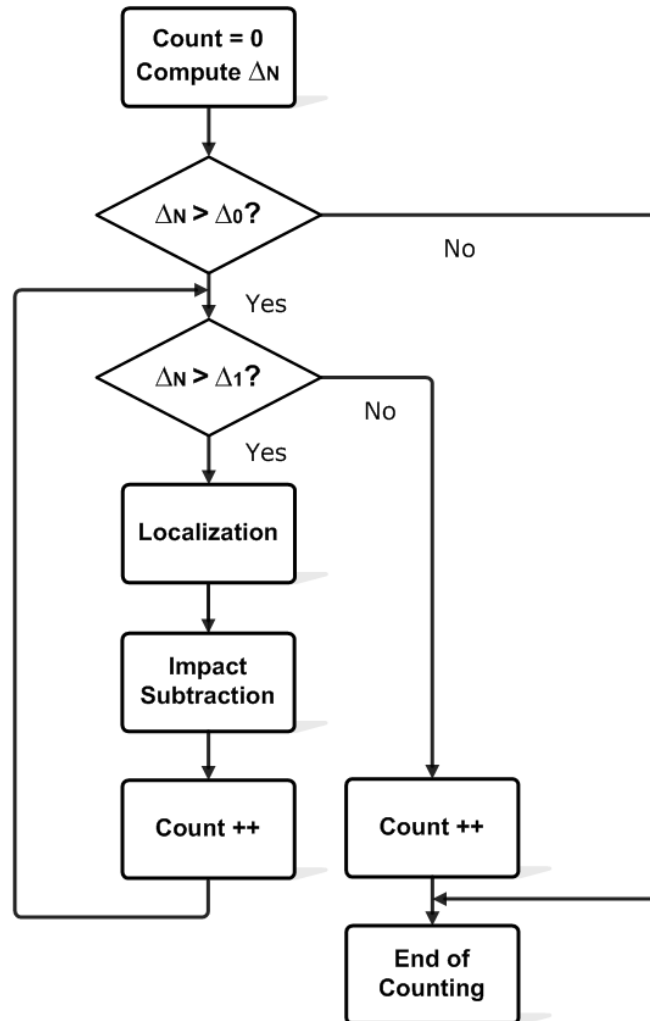
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# SCPL Part I

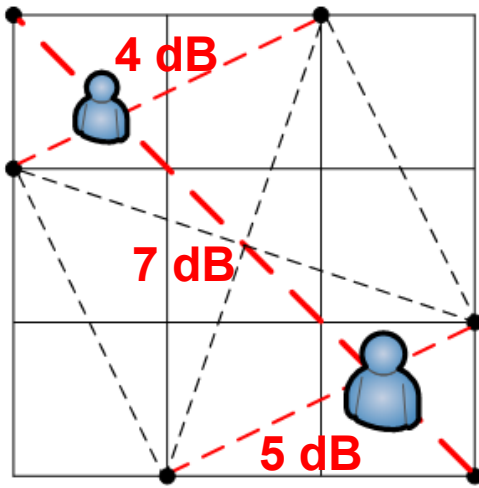
## Sequential Counting (SC)

# Counting algorithm

Sequential  
Counting  
Algorithm



# Phase 1: Detection



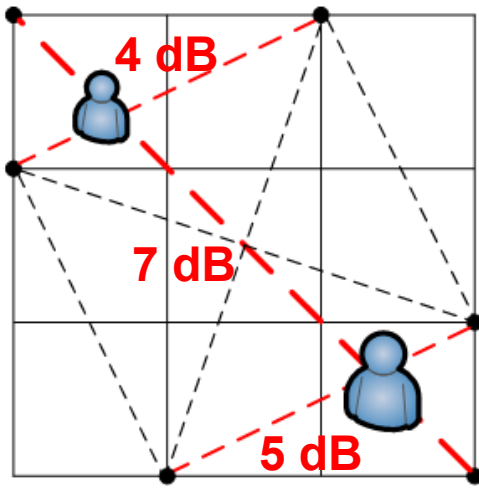
**Measurement  
in 1<sup>st</sup> round**

$$\Delta_N = 4 + 7 + 5 = 16 \text{ dB}$$

$$\Delta_N > \Delta_1$$

**Subject Count ++**

# Phase 2: Localization



**Measurement  
in 1<sup>st</sup> round**

**PC-DfP:**

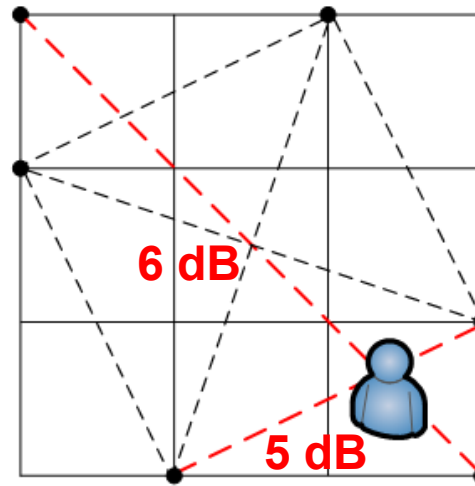
$$q = \operatorname{argmax}_{i \in \mathcal{S}} P(O|S_i)$$

← **Find this guy**

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# Phase 3: Subtraction

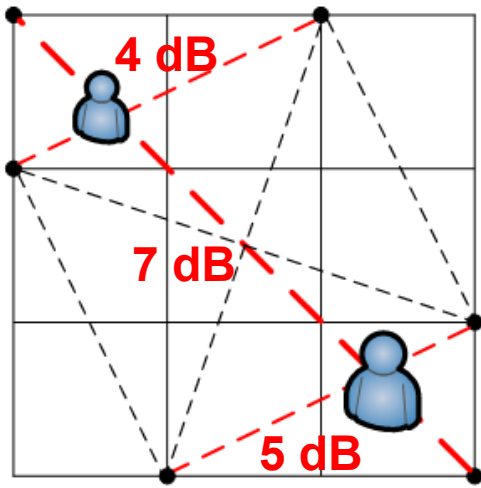
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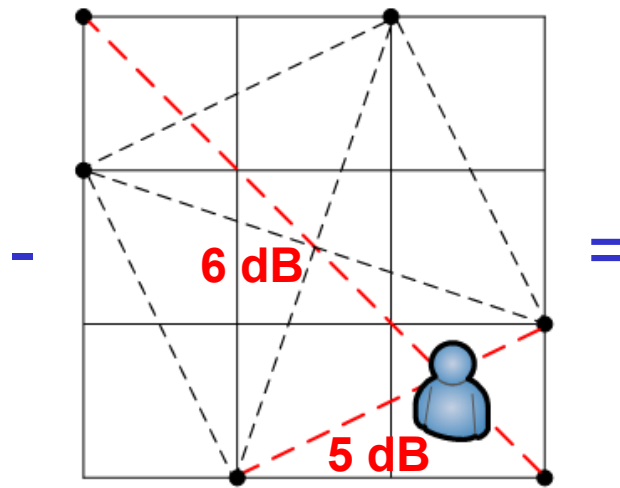
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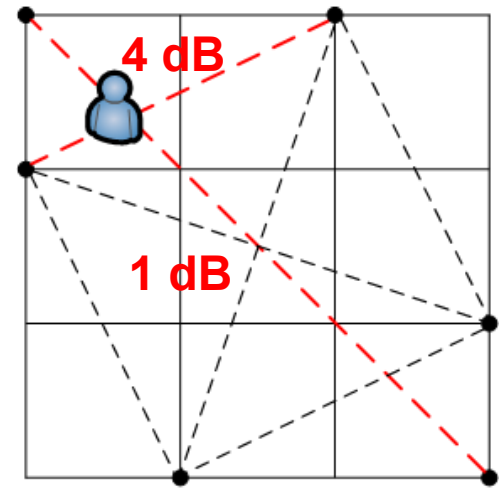
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**Measurement  
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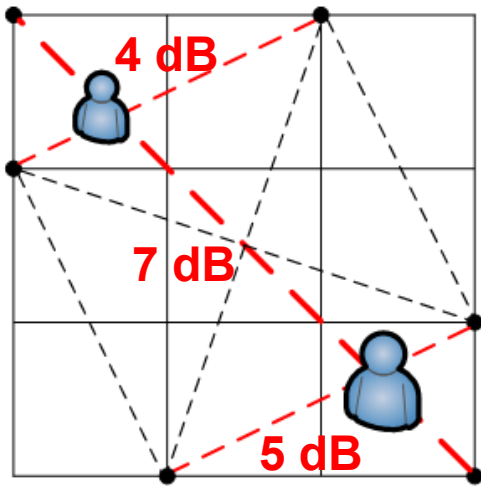
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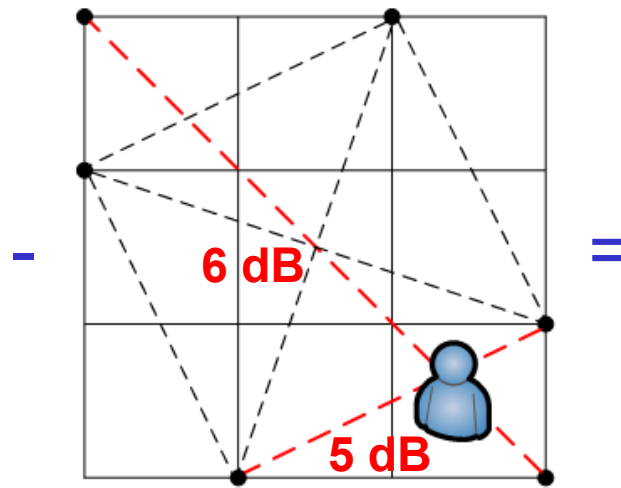
**Measurement  
In 2<sup>nd</sup> round**

**Subject count ++  
Go to the next iteration...**

# Phase 3: Subtraction

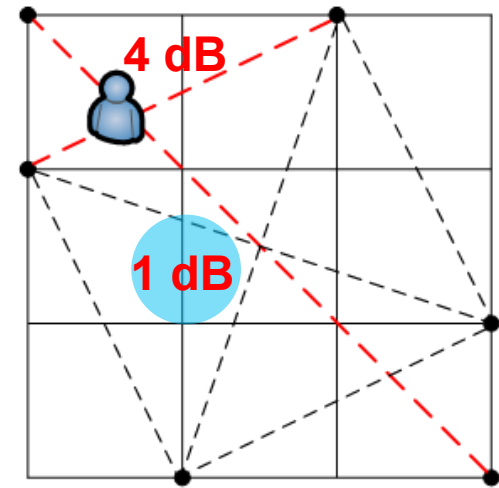


**Measurement  
in 1<sup>st</sup> round**



**Calibration  
data**

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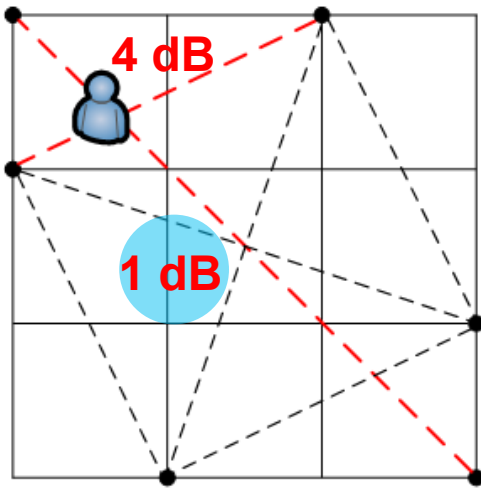
**Measurement  
In 2<sup>nd</sup> round**

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**Hold on ...**

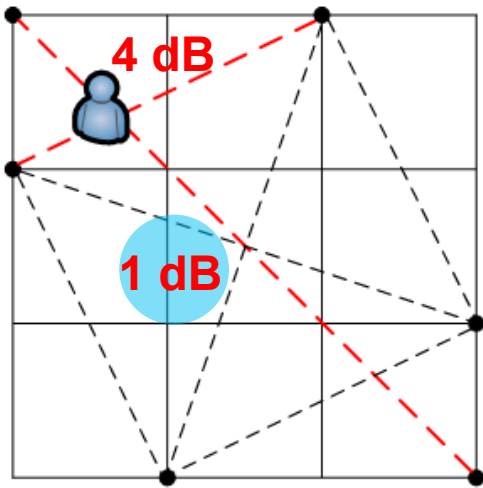
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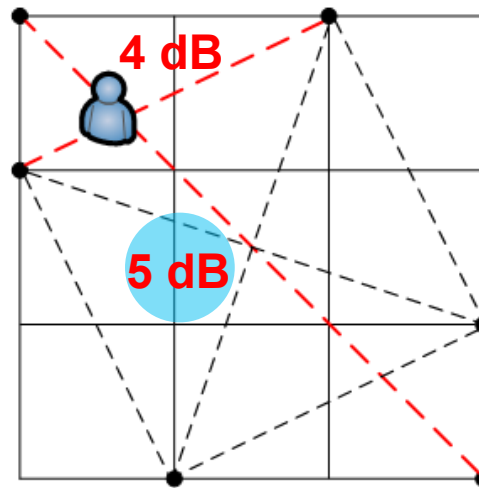


**Measurement  
In 2<sup>nd</sup> round**

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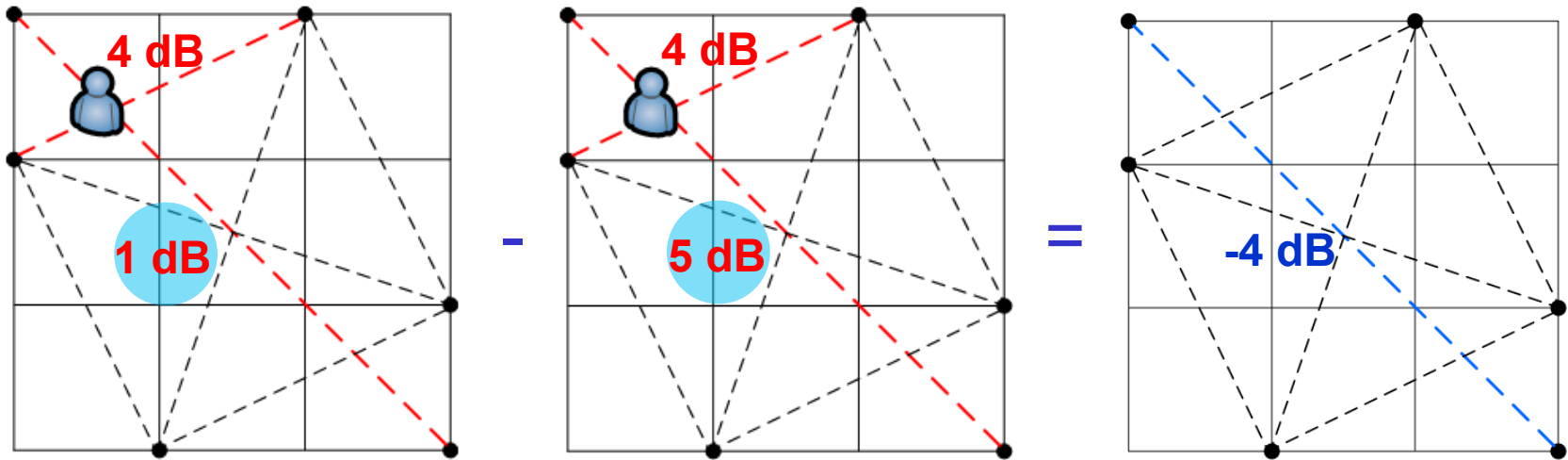


**Measurement  
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**Calibration  
data**

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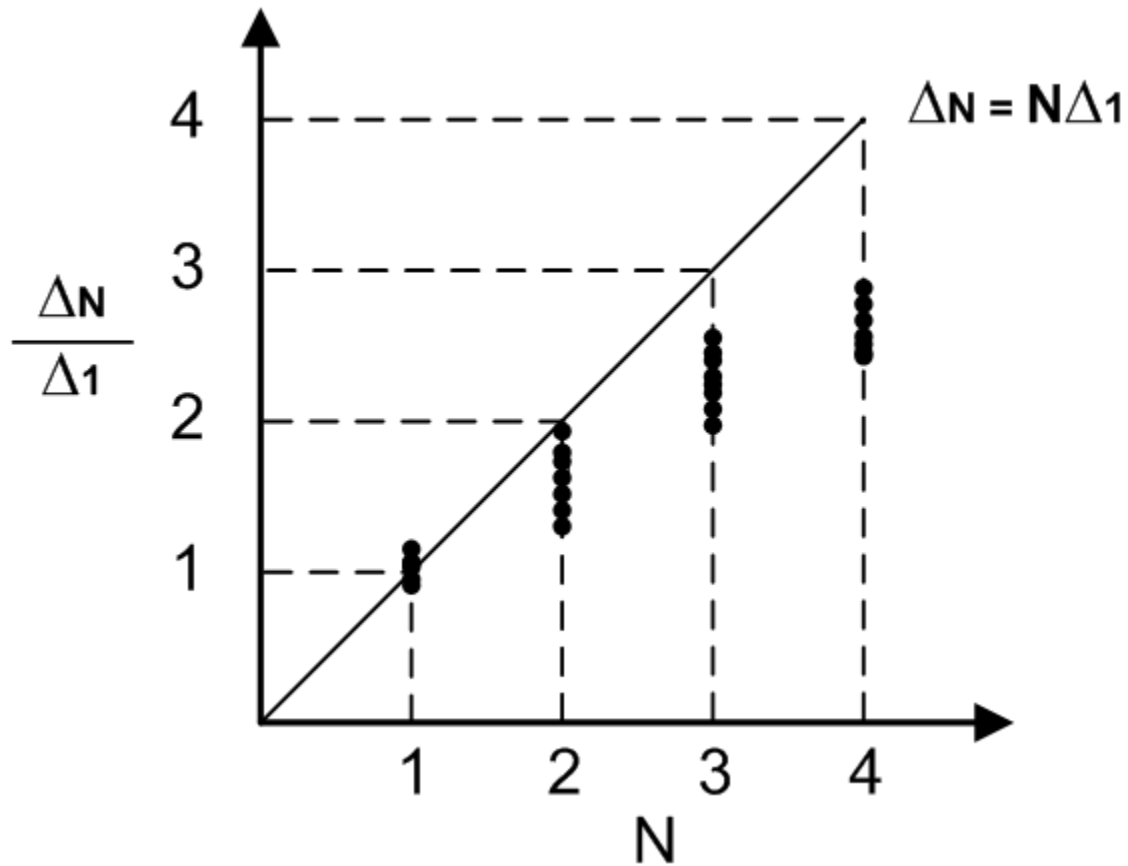


**Measurement  
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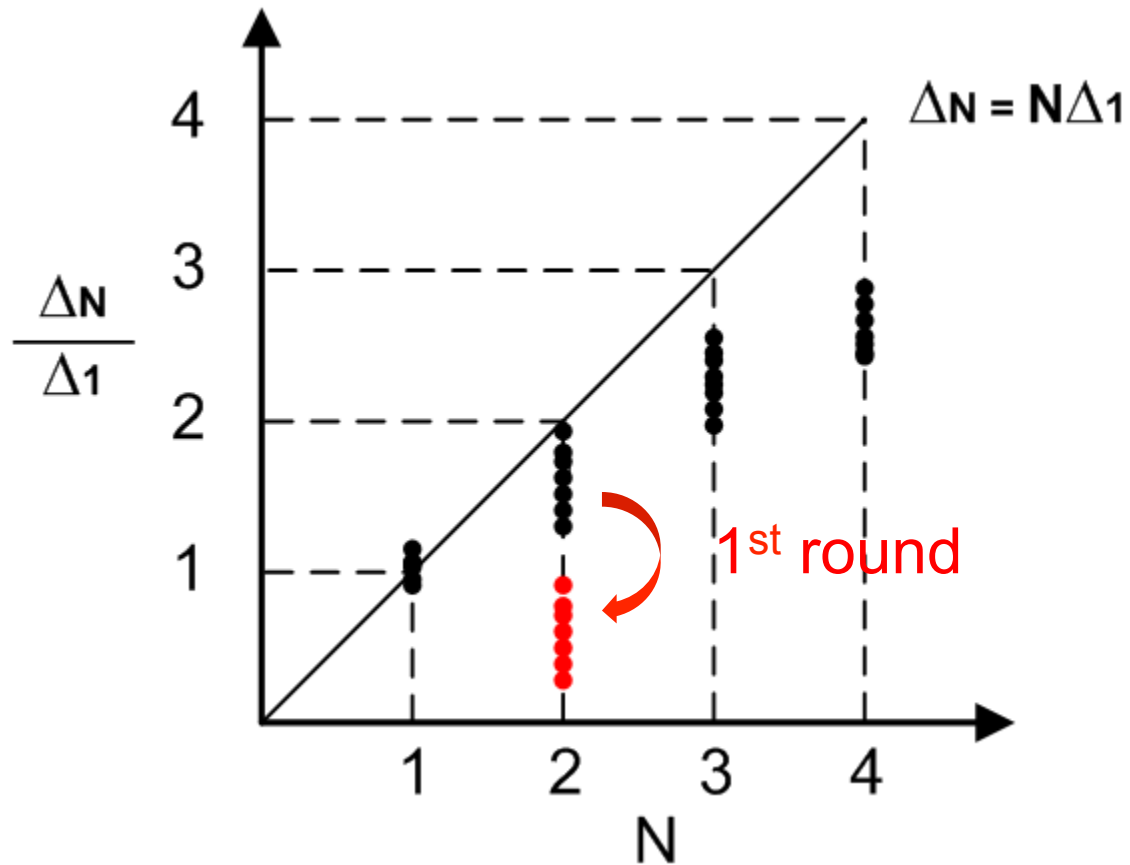
**Calibration  
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**We over-subtracted its impact  
on shared link!**

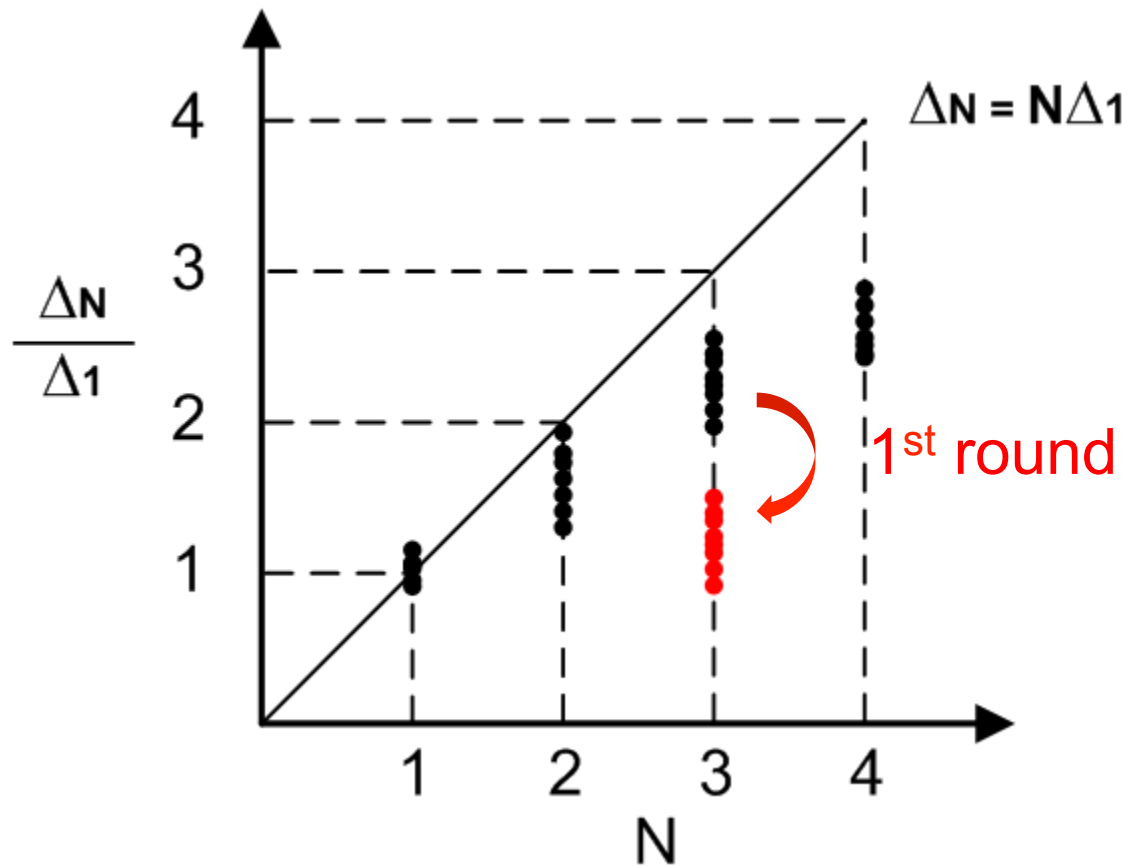
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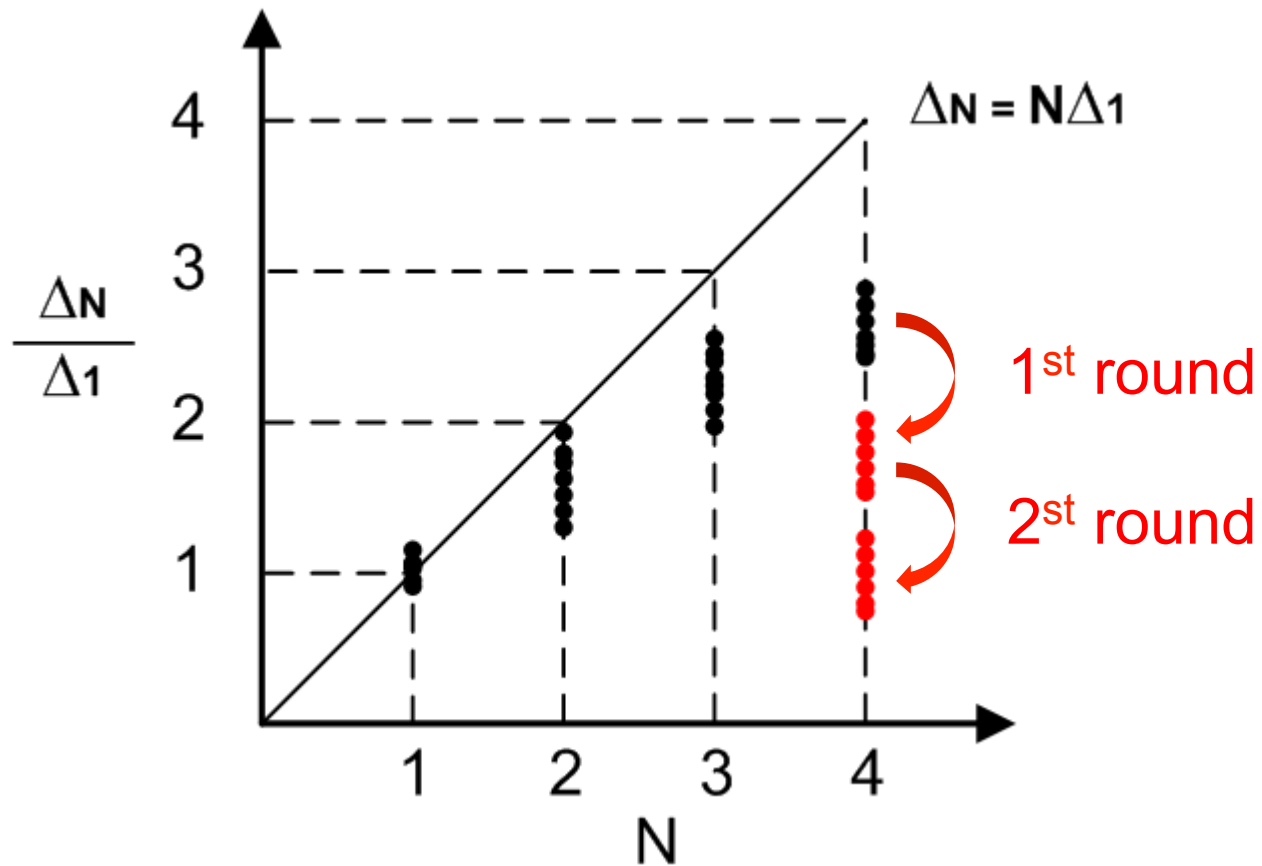


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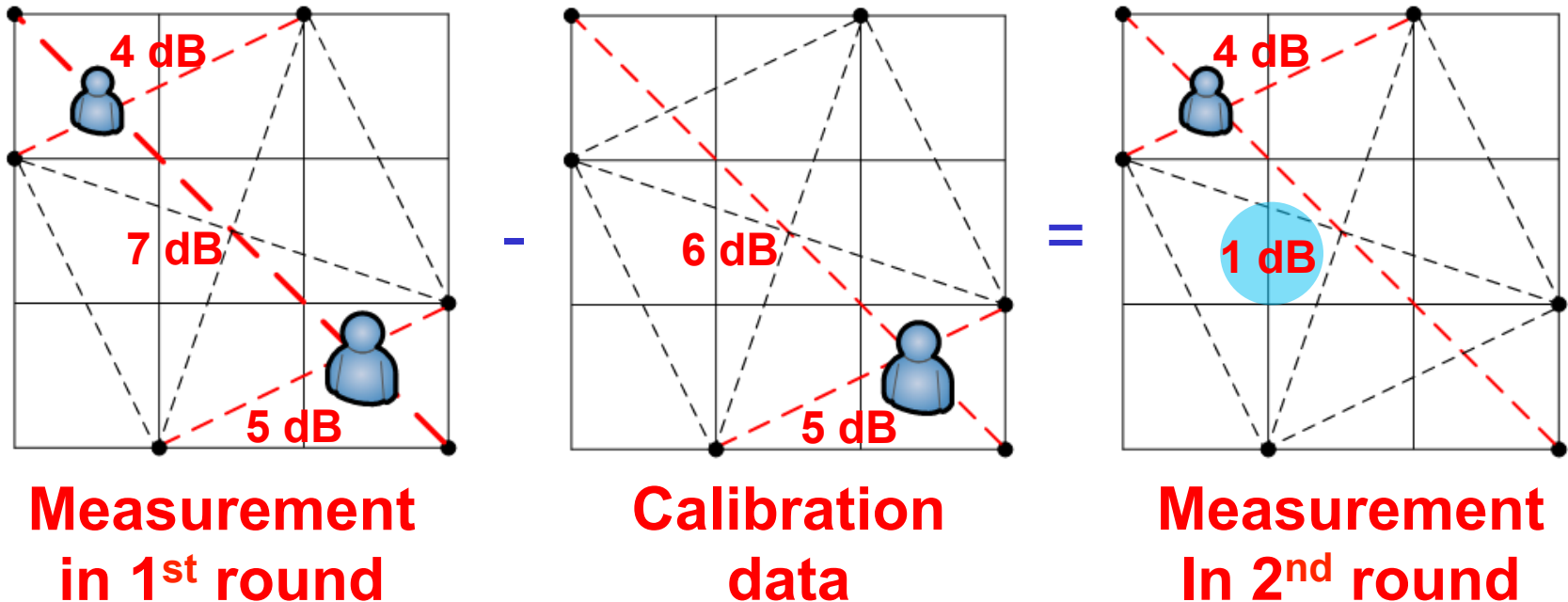




# Measurement



# Phase 3: Subtraction



We need to multiply a coefficient  $\beta \in [0, 1]$  when subtracting each link

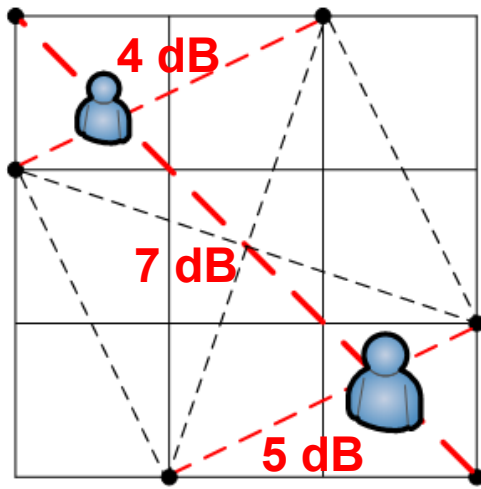
# Location-Link Correlation

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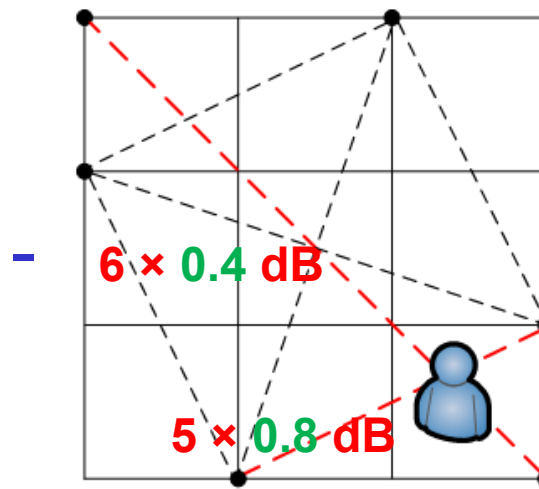
- To mitigate the error caused by this over-subtraction problem, we propose to multiply a location-link correlation coefficient before successive subtracting:

$$\beta_{il} = \frac{h_{ii}^l}{\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^K h_{ij}^l{}^2}} \quad h_{ij} \leftarrow E[\mathcal{D}_{Il}\mathcal{D}_{Jl}]$$

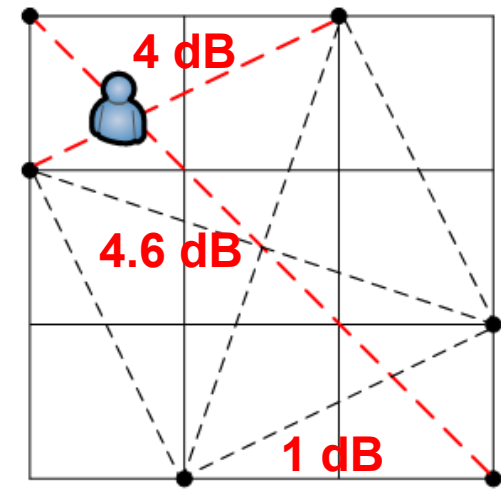
# Phase 3: Subtraction



Measurement  
in 1<sup>st</sup> round



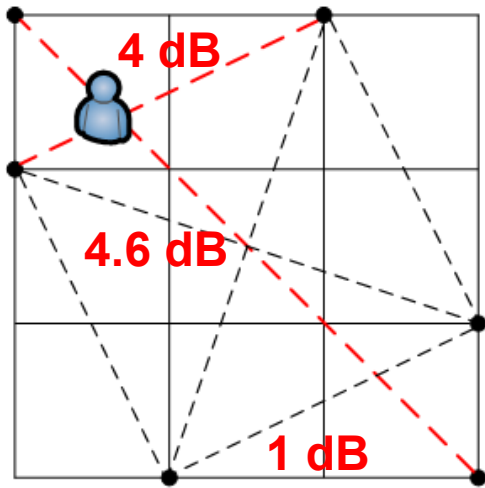
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Data



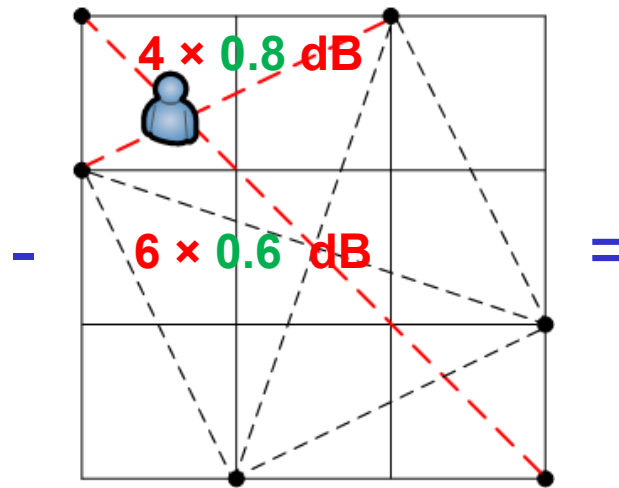
Measurement  
in 2<sup>nd</sup> round

Subject count ++  
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# Phase 3: Subtraction

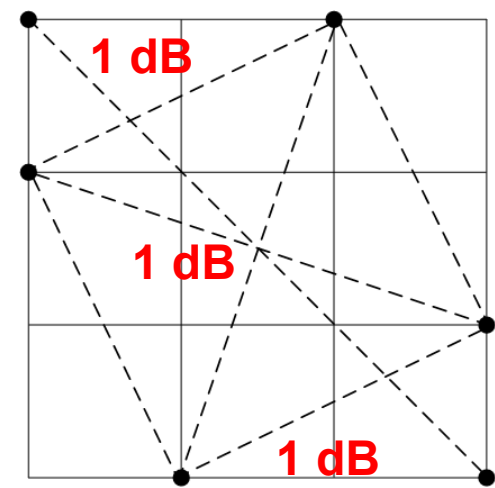


Measurement  
in 2<sup>nd</sup> round



Calibration  
data

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Measurement  
in 3<sup>rd</sup> round

**We are done !**

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# SCPL Part II

## Parallel Localization (PL)

# Localization

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- ❑ **Cell-based localization**
  - ❑ **Allows use of context information**
  - ❑ **Reduce calibration overhead**
  - ❑ **Classification problem formulation**

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# Linear Discriminant Analysis

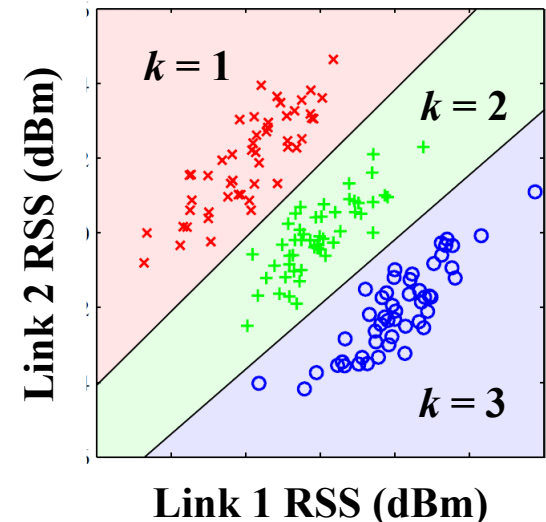
- ❑ RSS measurements with person's presence in each cell is treated as a class/state  $k$
- ❑ Each class  $k$  is Multivariate Gaussian with common covariance

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{L}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_k) \right]$$

- ❑ Linear discriminant function:

$$\delta_k(x) = x^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k + \log \pi_k$$

$$\hat{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_k \delta_k(x)$$



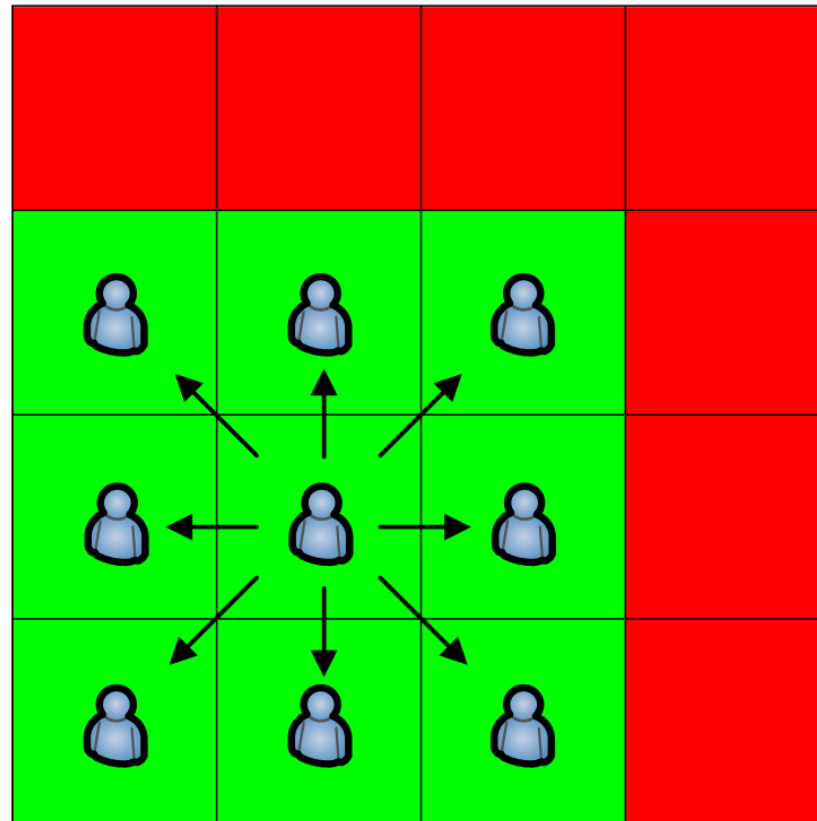


# Localization

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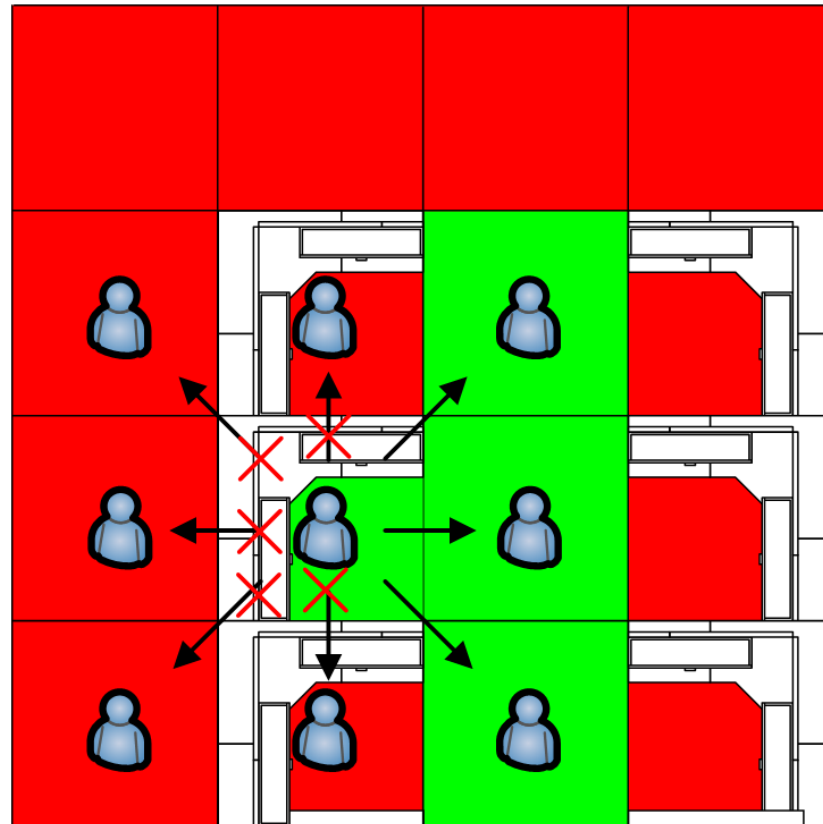
- ❑ **Cell-based localization**
- ❑ **Trajectory-assisted localization**
  - ❑ **Improve accuracy by using human mobility constraints**

# Human Mobility Constraints



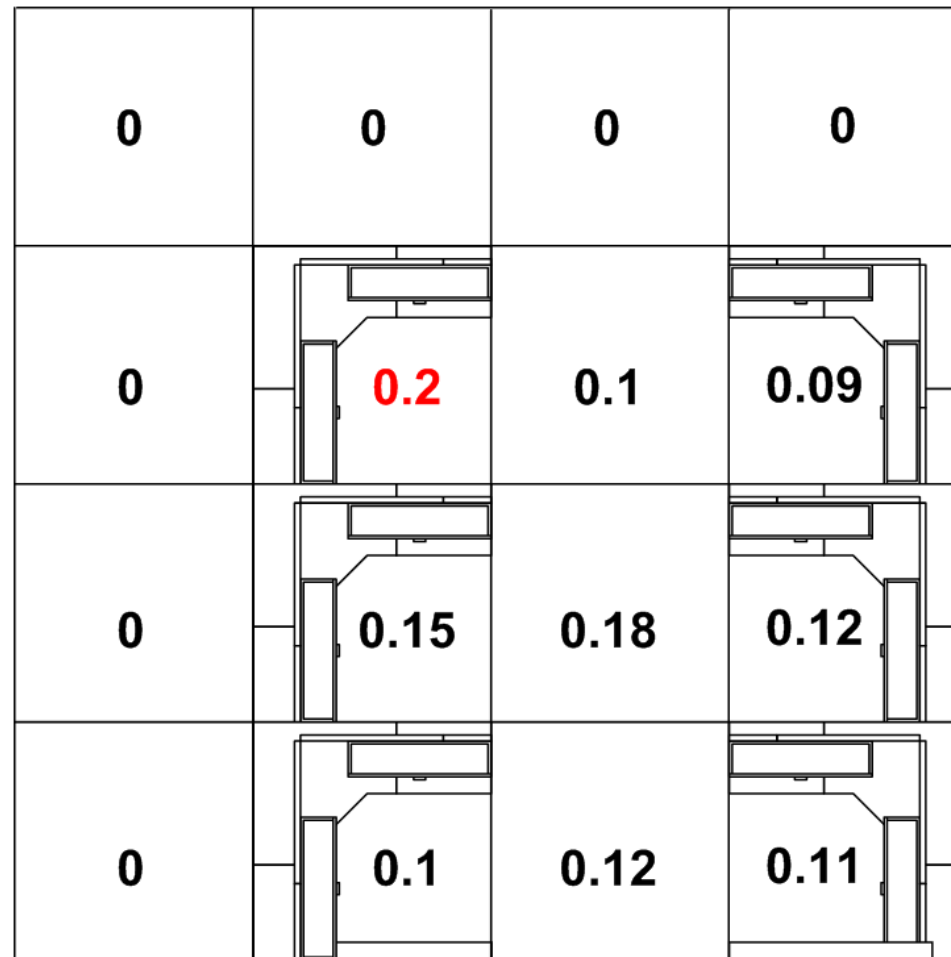
**You are free to go anywhere with limited step size inside a ring in free space**

# Human Mobility Constraints

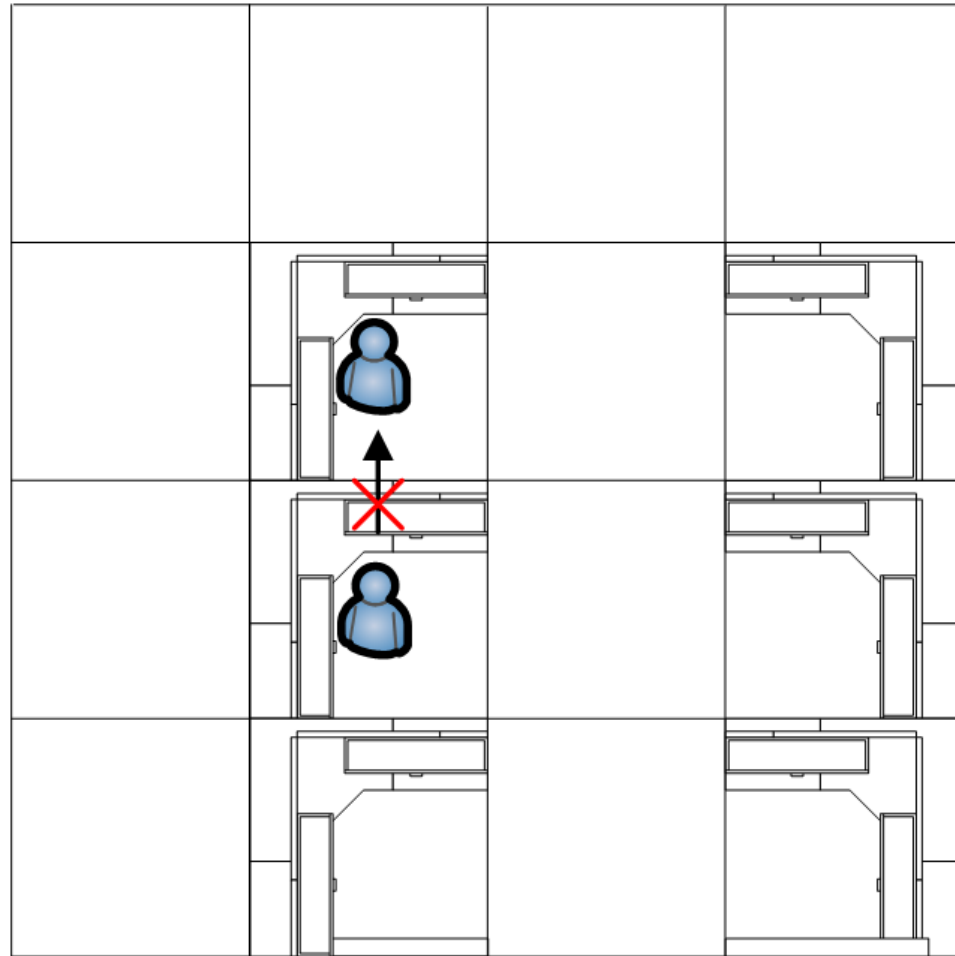


**In a building, your next step is constrained by cubicles, walls, etc.**

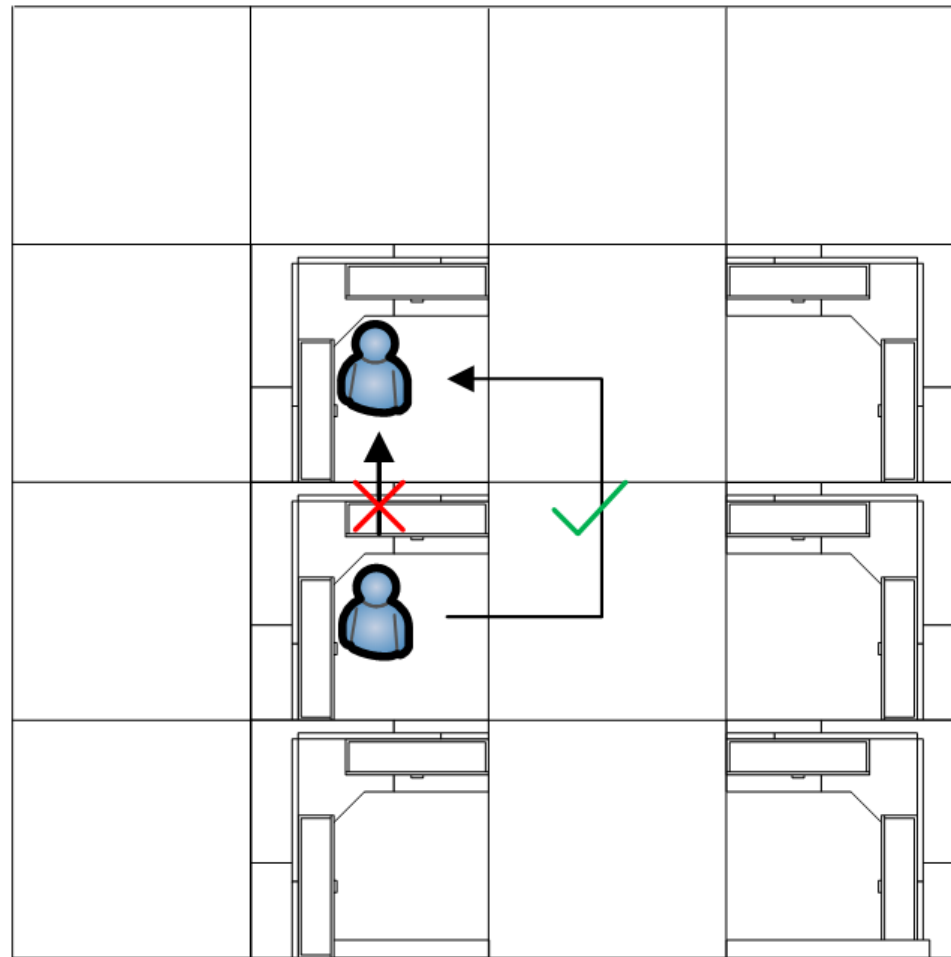
# Phase 1: Data Likelihood Map



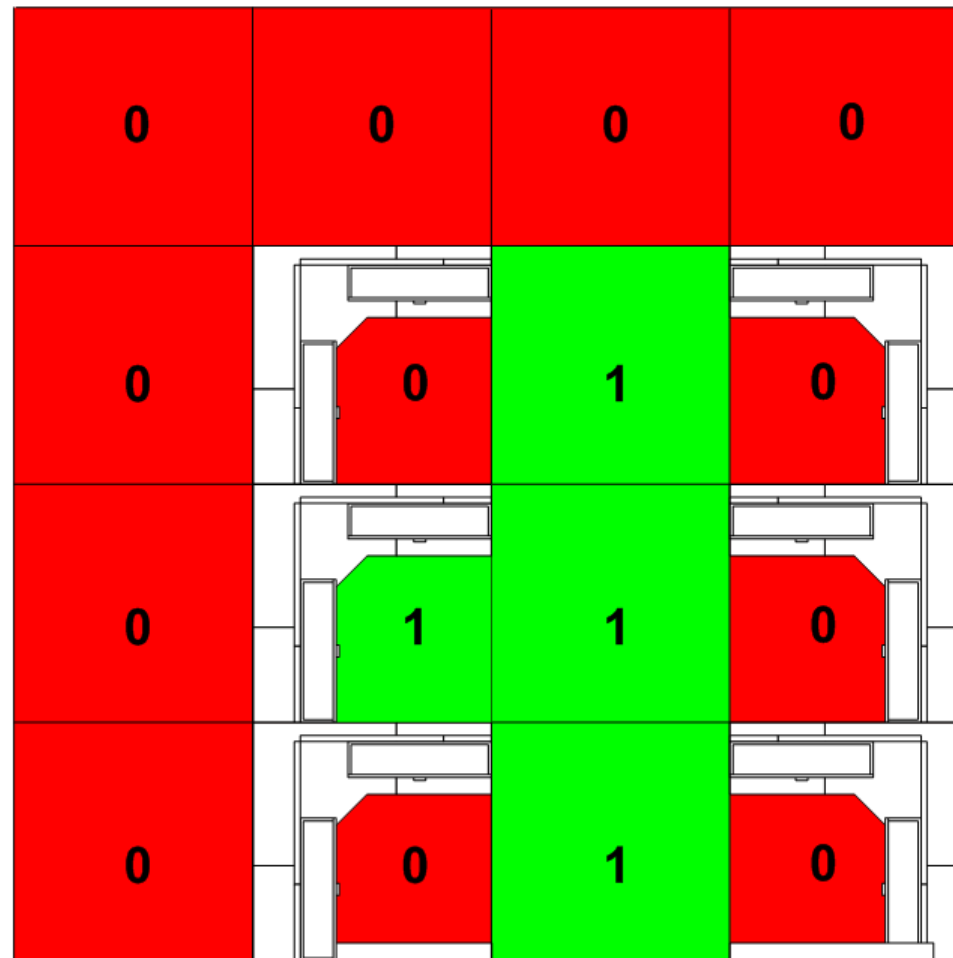
# Impossible movements



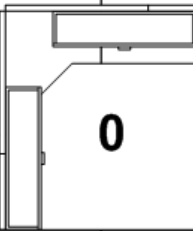
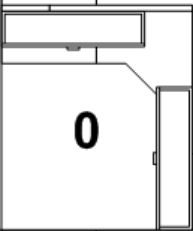
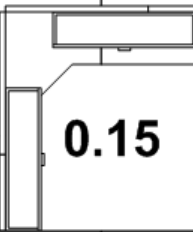
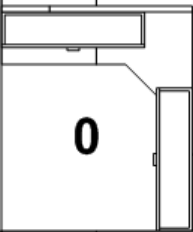
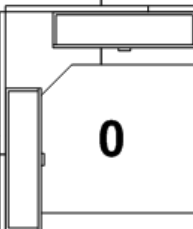
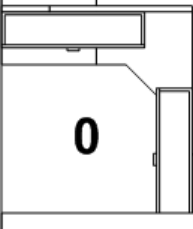
# Impossible movements



# Phase 2: Trajectory Ring Filter

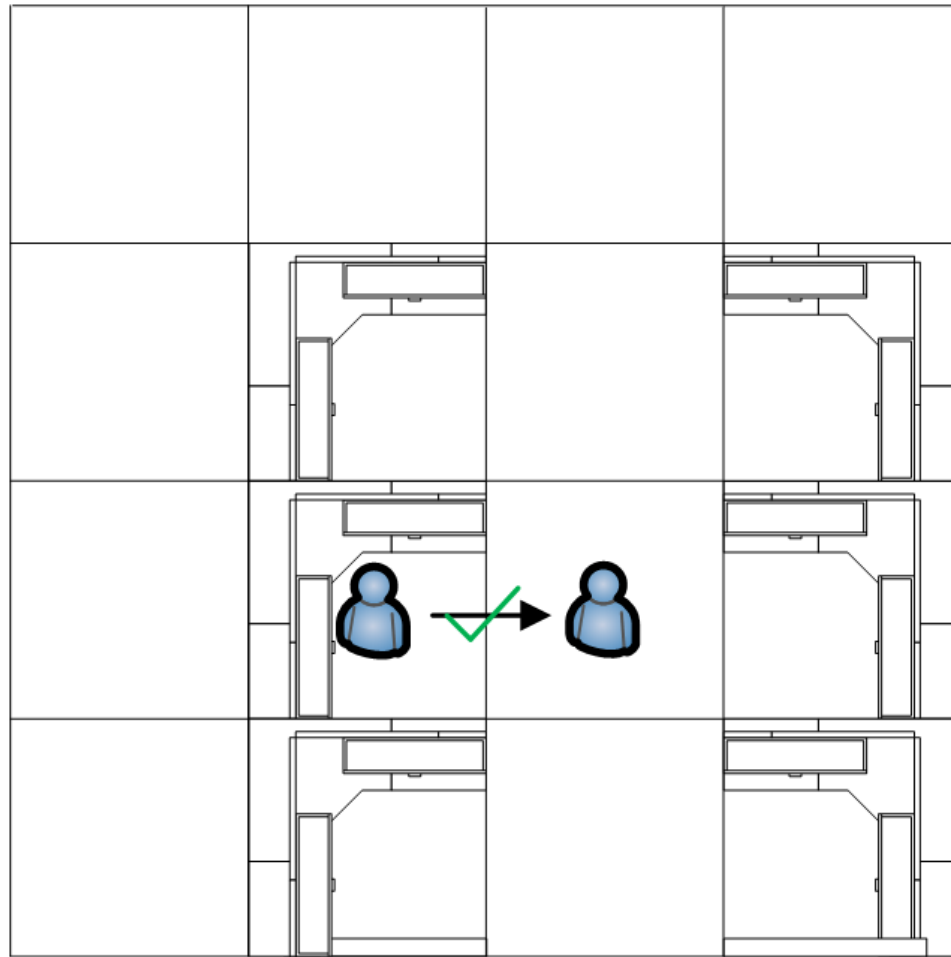


# Phase 3: Refinement

0	0	0	0
0	 0	0.1	 0
0	 0.15	<b>0.18</b>	 0
0	 0	0.12	 0



# Here you are!



# Viterbi optimal trajectory

## □ Single subject localization

$$V_j(t) = \operatorname{argmax}_{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{t-1}} P(q_1 q_2 \dots q_t = j, O_1 O_2 \dots O_t | T, \delta)$$

## □ Multiple subjects localization

$$\text{ViterbiScore} = F_j = \sum_{i=1}^C \delta_{q_t^i}(O_t) T_{q_{t-1}^i q_t^i}$$

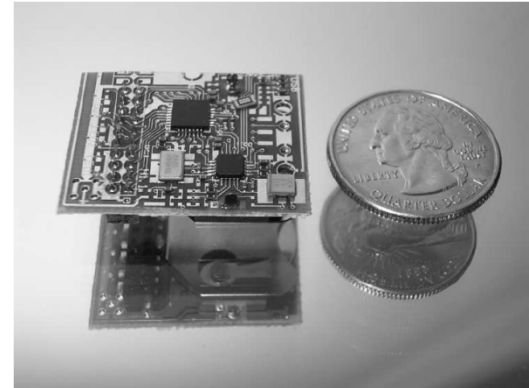
$\Pi \leftarrow$  is the set of all the possible permutations of  $\binom{K}{C}$

$$Q_i \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in \Pi} \text{ViterbiScore}(Q_{i-1}, Q_j, \delta_{1:K}(O_i), T)$$

# System Description

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- ❑ **Hardware: PIP tag**
  - ❑ **Microprocessor: C8051F321**
  - ❑ **Radio chip: CC1100**
  - ❑ **Power: Lithium coin cell battery**
- ❑ **Protocol: Unidirectional heartbeat (Uni-HB)**
  - ❑ **Packet size: 10 bytes**
  - ❑ **Beacon interval: 100 msec**



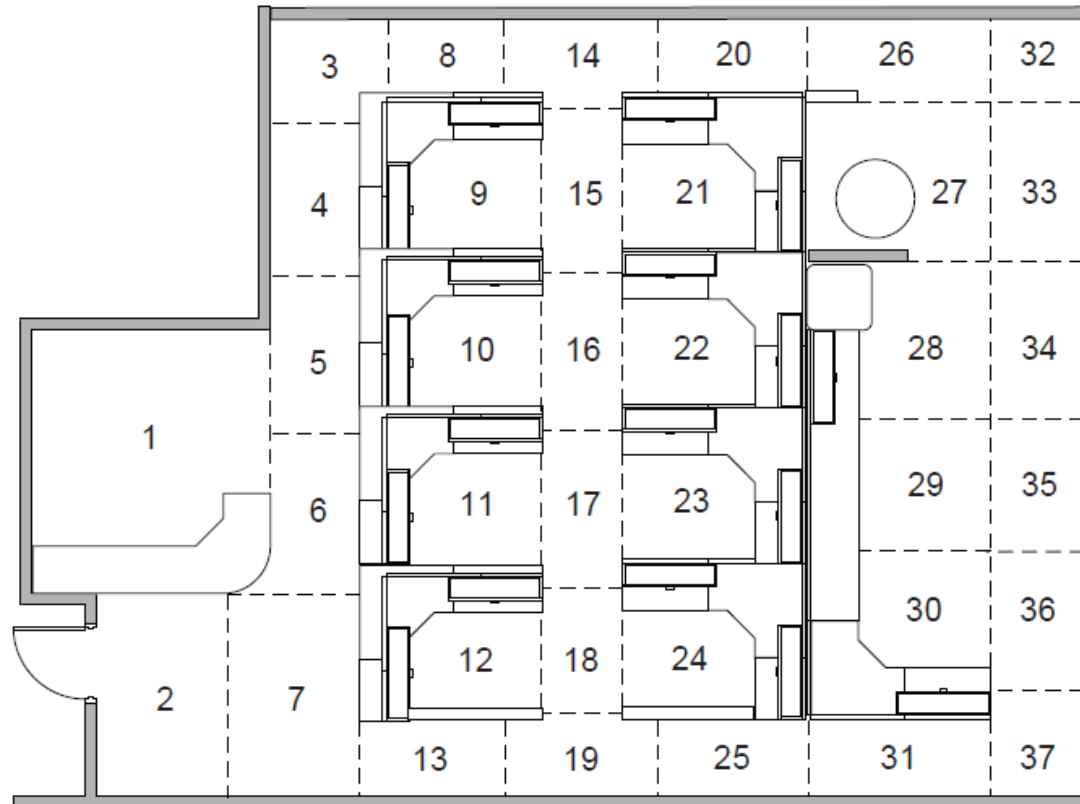
# Office deployment

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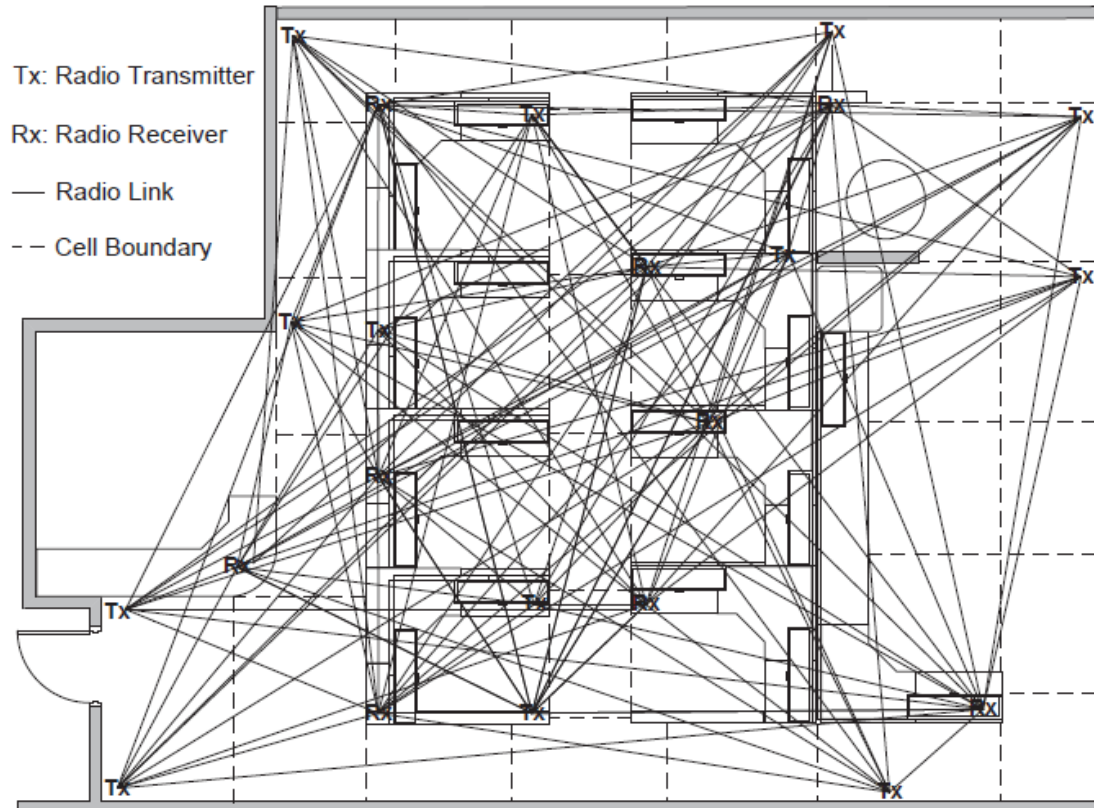
**Total Size: 10 × 15 m**

# Office deployment



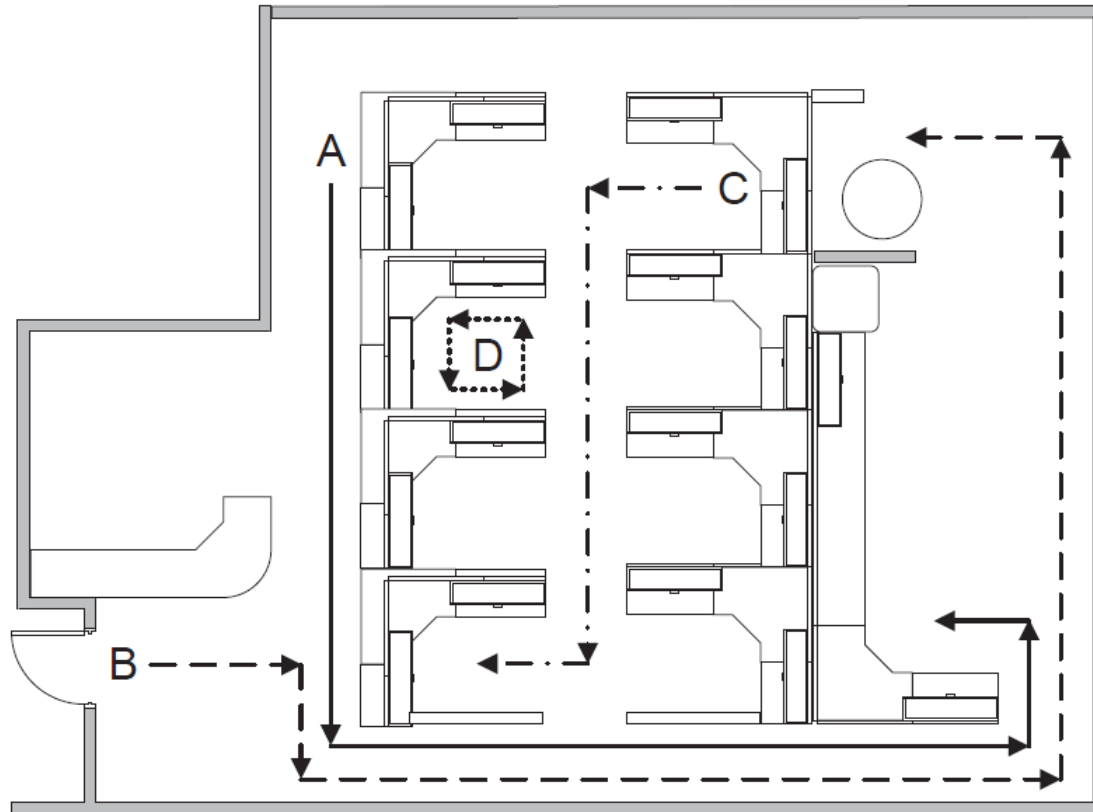
**37 cells of cubicles, aisle segments**

# Office deployment



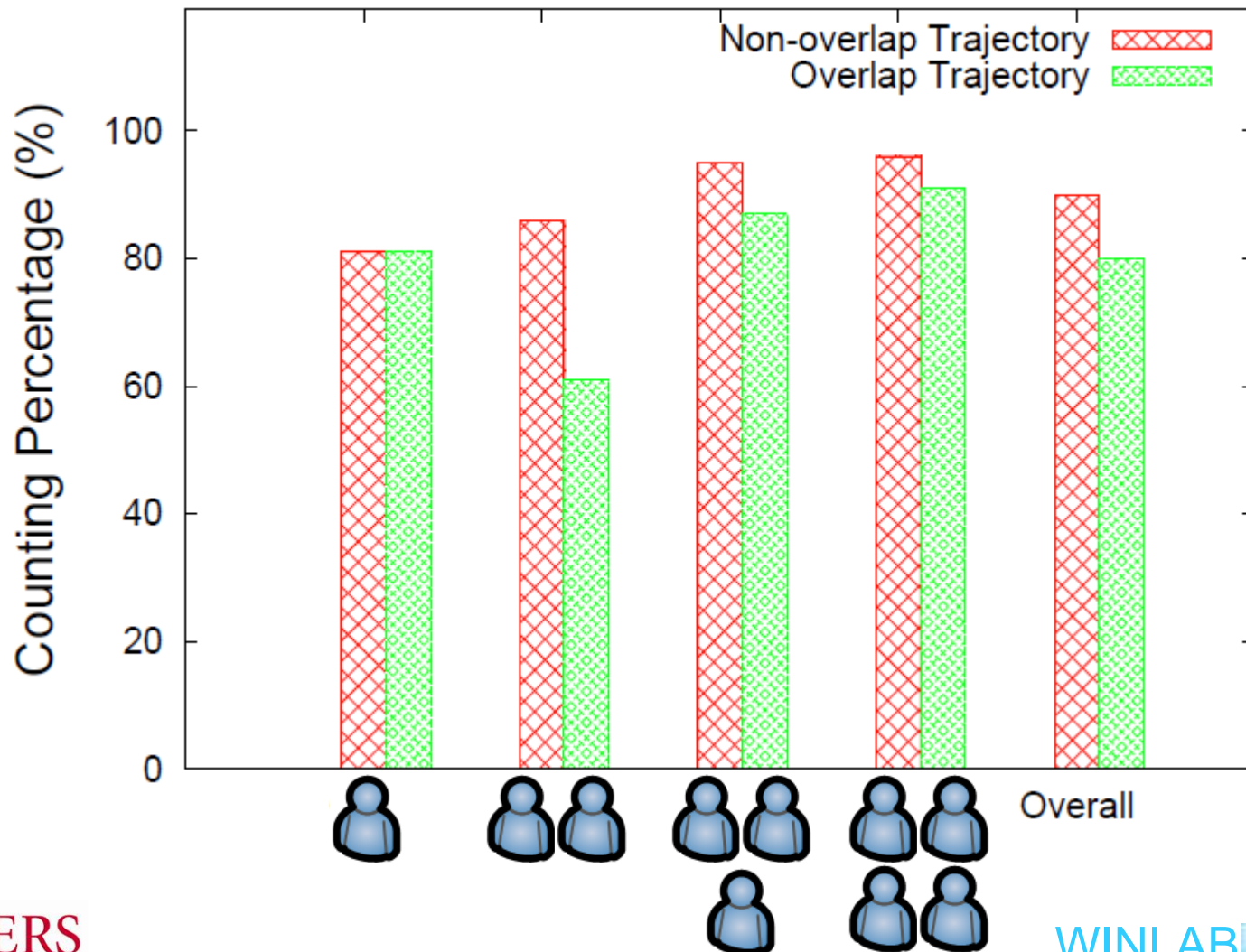
**13 transmitters and 9 receivers**

# Office deployment



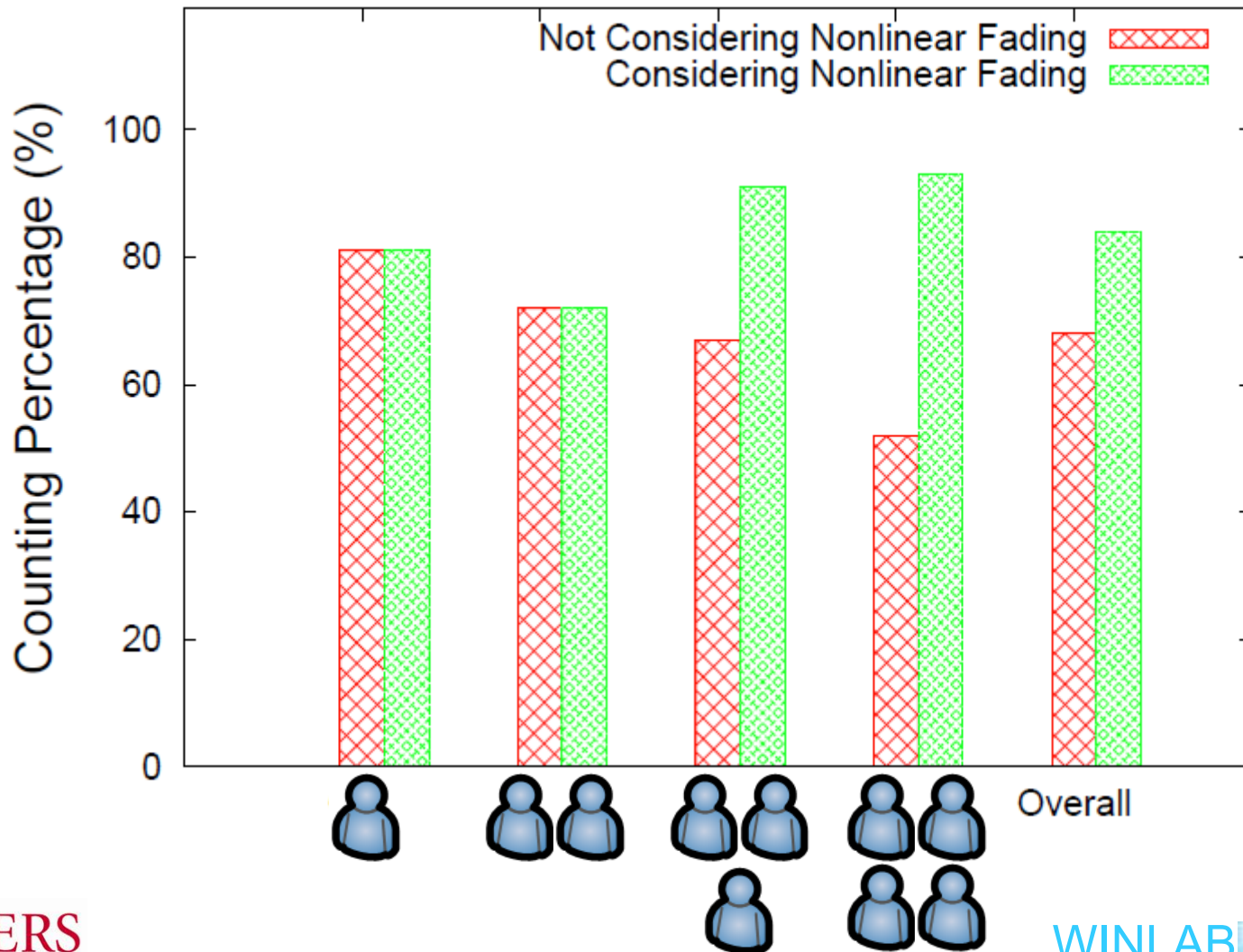
**Four subjects' testing paths**

# Counting results

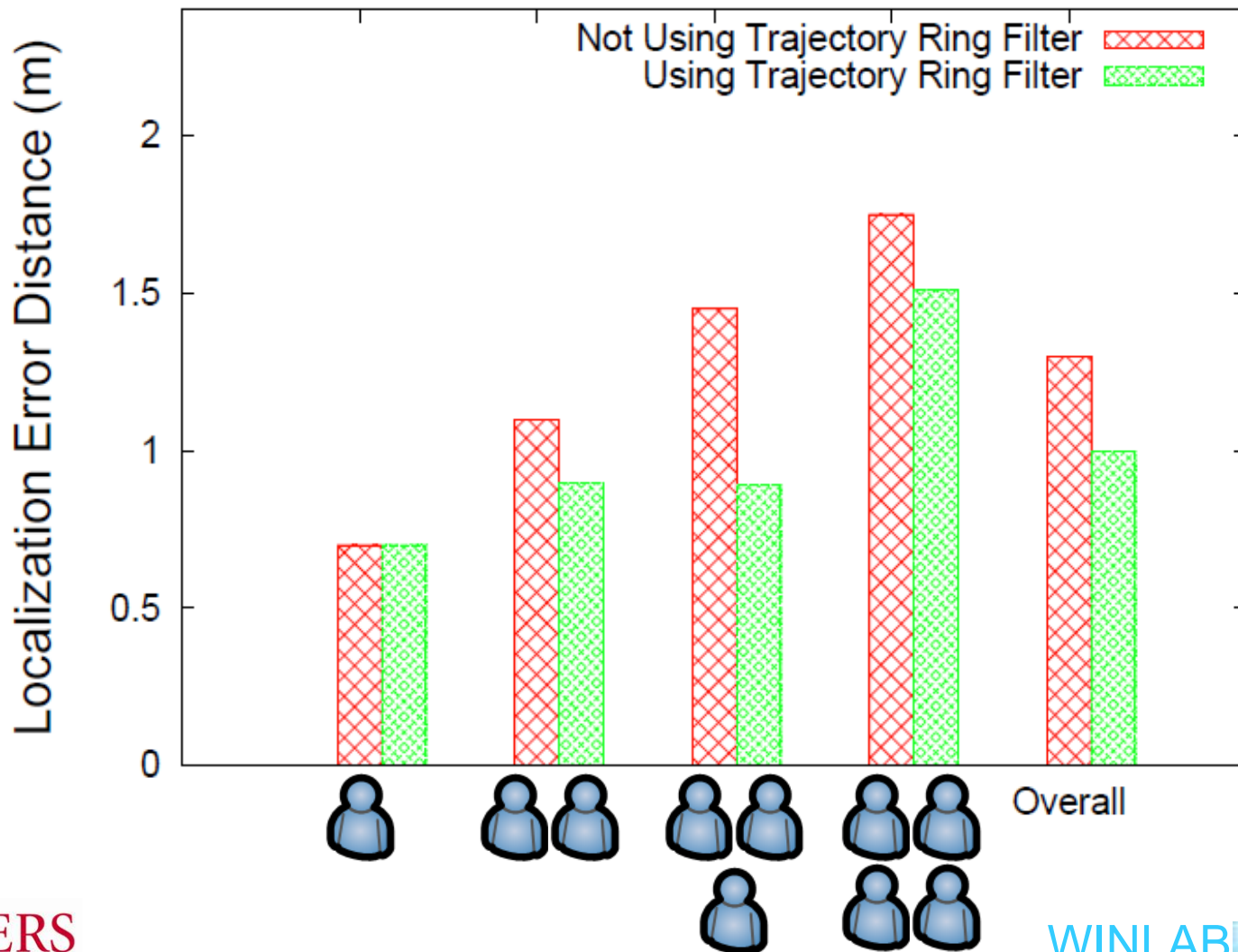




# Counting results



# Localization results



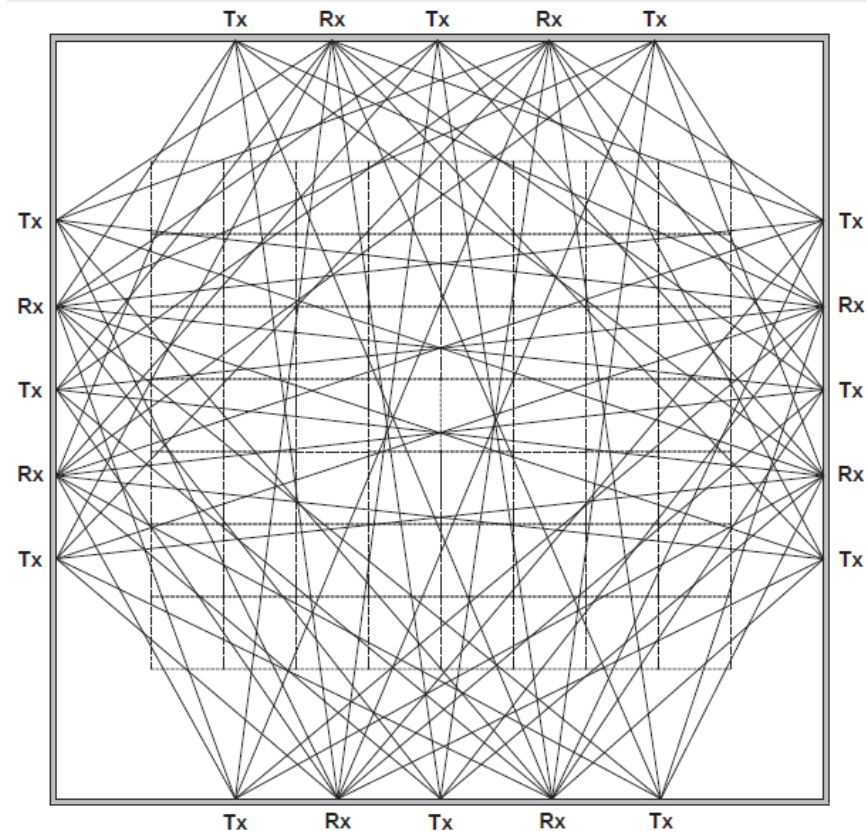
# Open floor deployment

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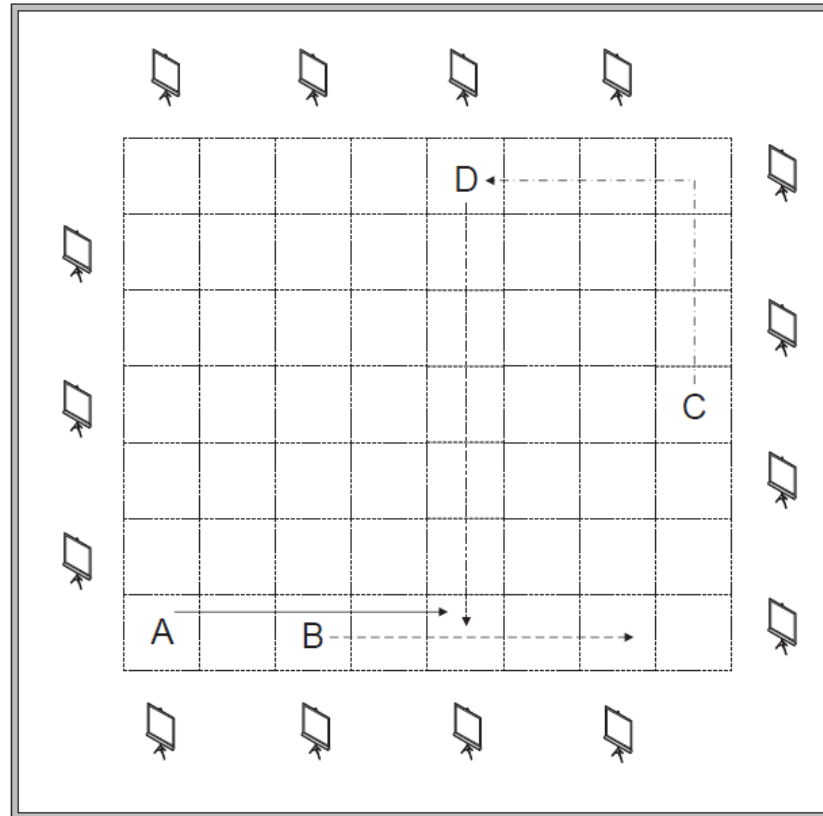
**Total Size: 20 × 20 m**

# Open floor deployment



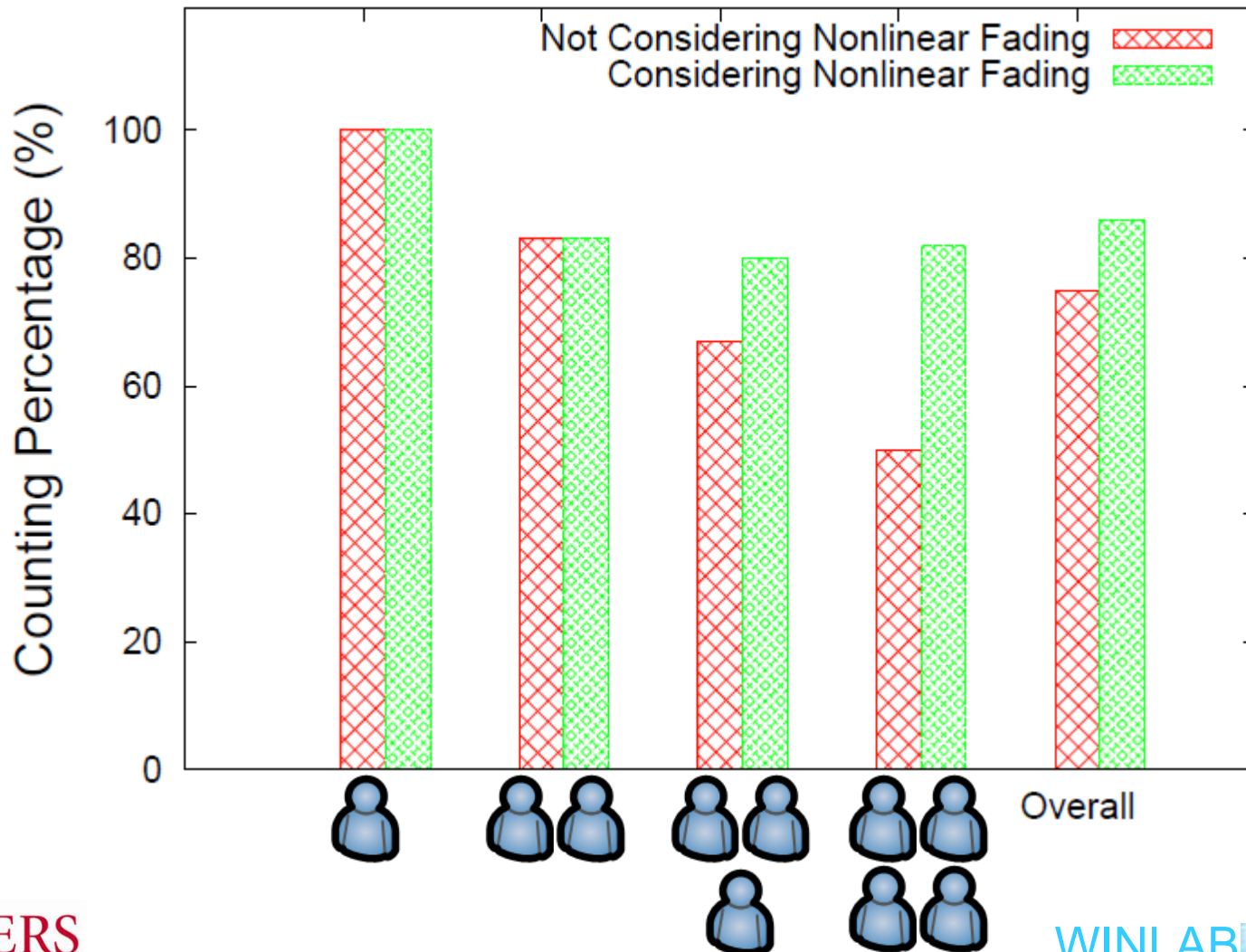
**56 cells, 12 transmitters and 8 receivers**

# Open floor deployment



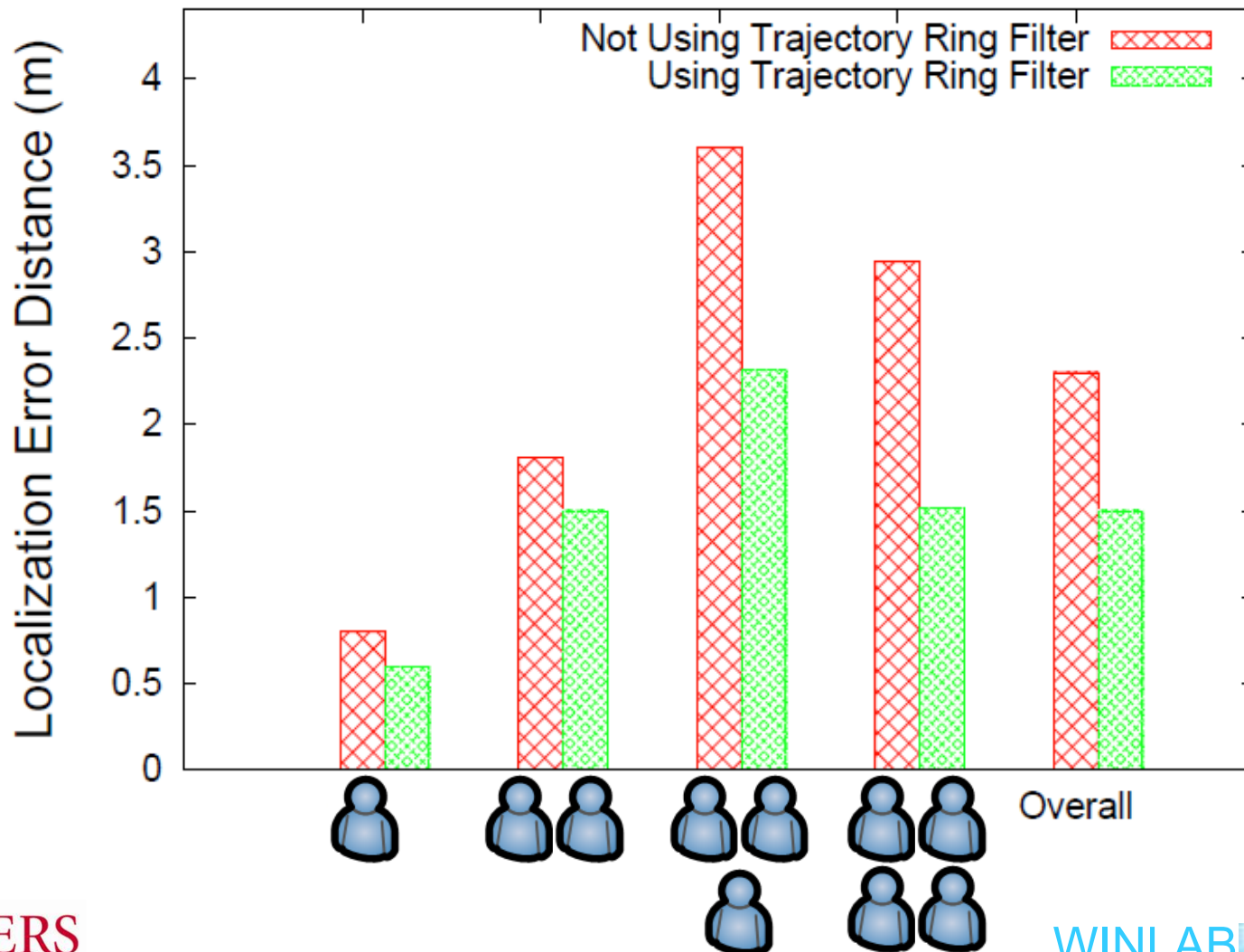
**Four subjects' testing paths**

# Counting results





# Localization results



# Conclusion and Future Work

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## □ Conclusion

- Calibration data collected from one subject can be used to count and localize multiple subjects.
- Though indoor spaces have complex radio propagation characteristics, the increased mobility constraints can be leveraged to improve accuracy.

## □ Future work

- Count and localize more than 4 subjects



# Q & A

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**Thank you**