

# **Drone to the Rescue: Relay-Resilient Authentication using Ambient Multi-Sensing**

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# Outline

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- ▶ Relay Attacks in Authentication Systems
  - ▶ Example Scenarios
- ▶ Our Defense
- ▶ Experiment
- ▶ Results
- ▶ Discussion & Conclusion

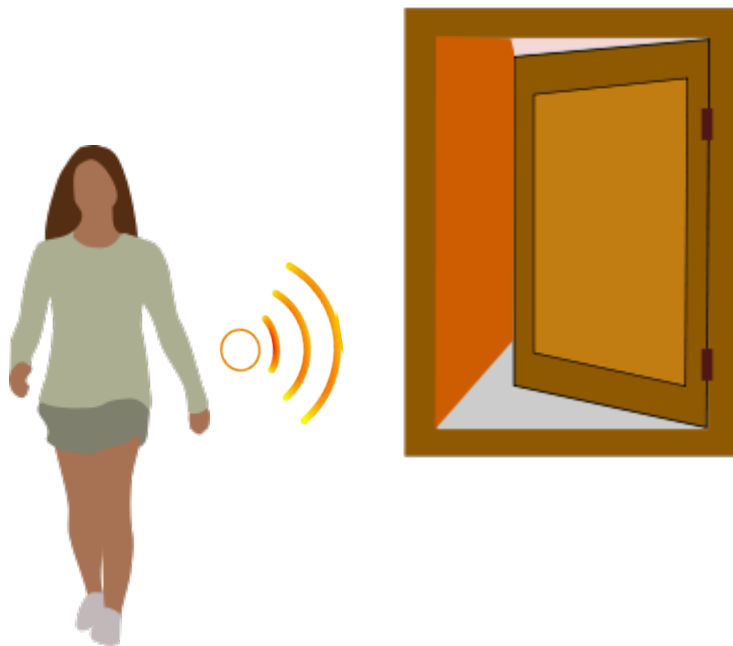
# Zero-Interaction Authentication (ZIA)

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# Zero-Interaction Authentication

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[BlueProximity project in SourceForge](#)  
[Corner and Noble, MobiCom '02](#)

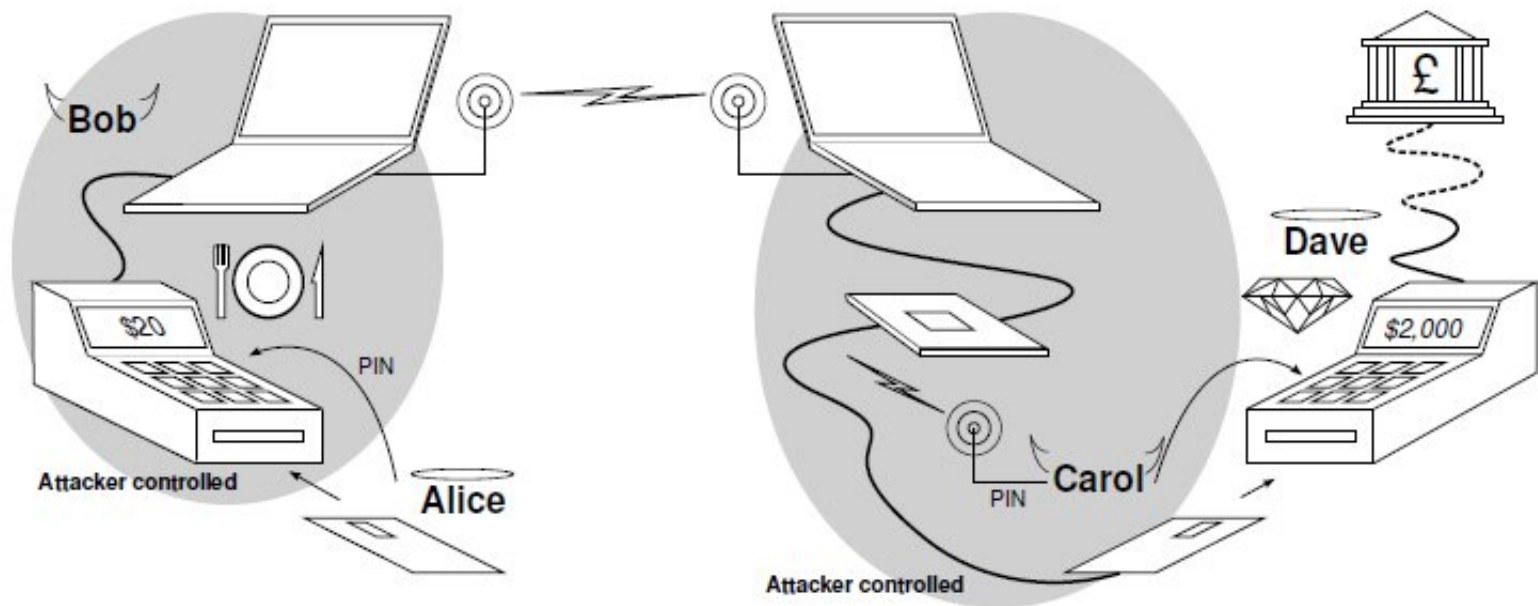


# ZIA Ghost-and-Leech Relay Attack



Kfir and Wool, SecureComm '05  
Francillon et al, NDSS '11

# Reader and Ghost Attack (Payment Tokens)



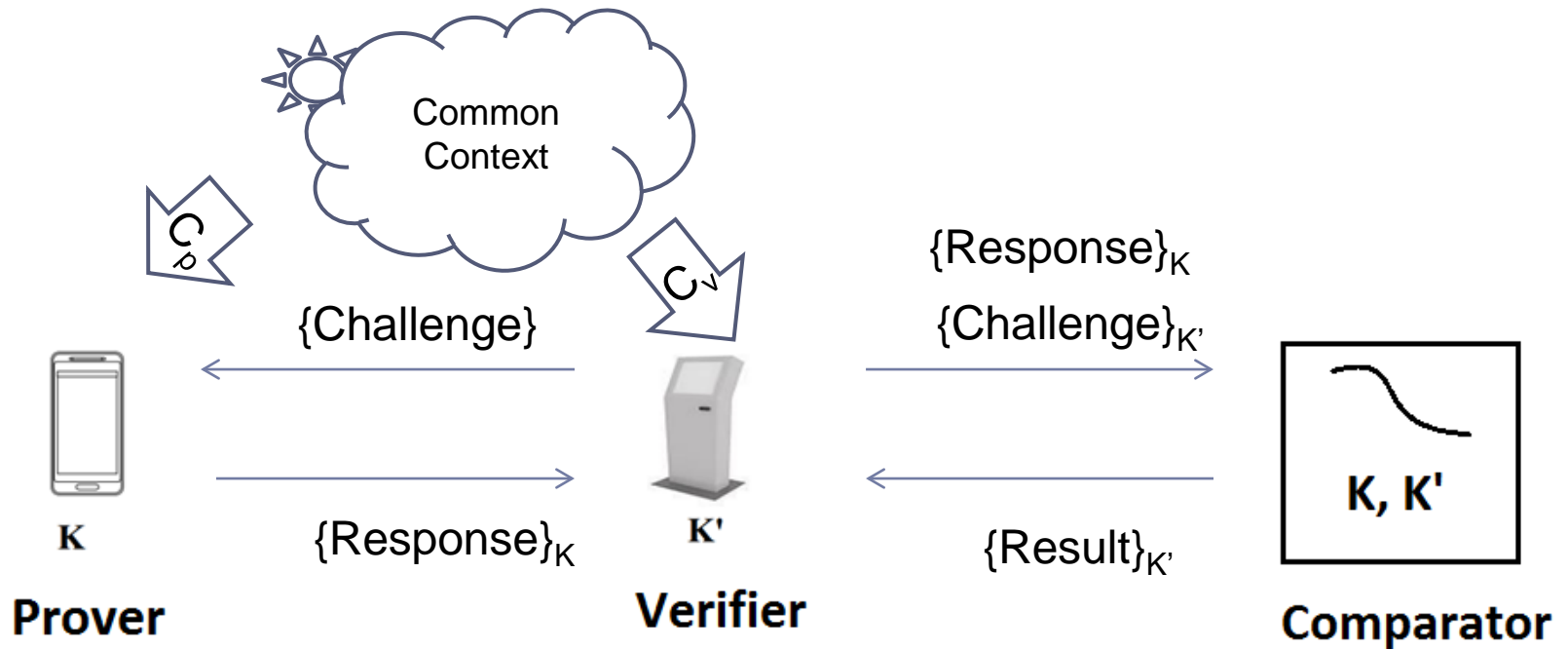
[Drimer and Murdoch in USENIX Security Symposium '07](#)

# Defenses to Relay Attacks

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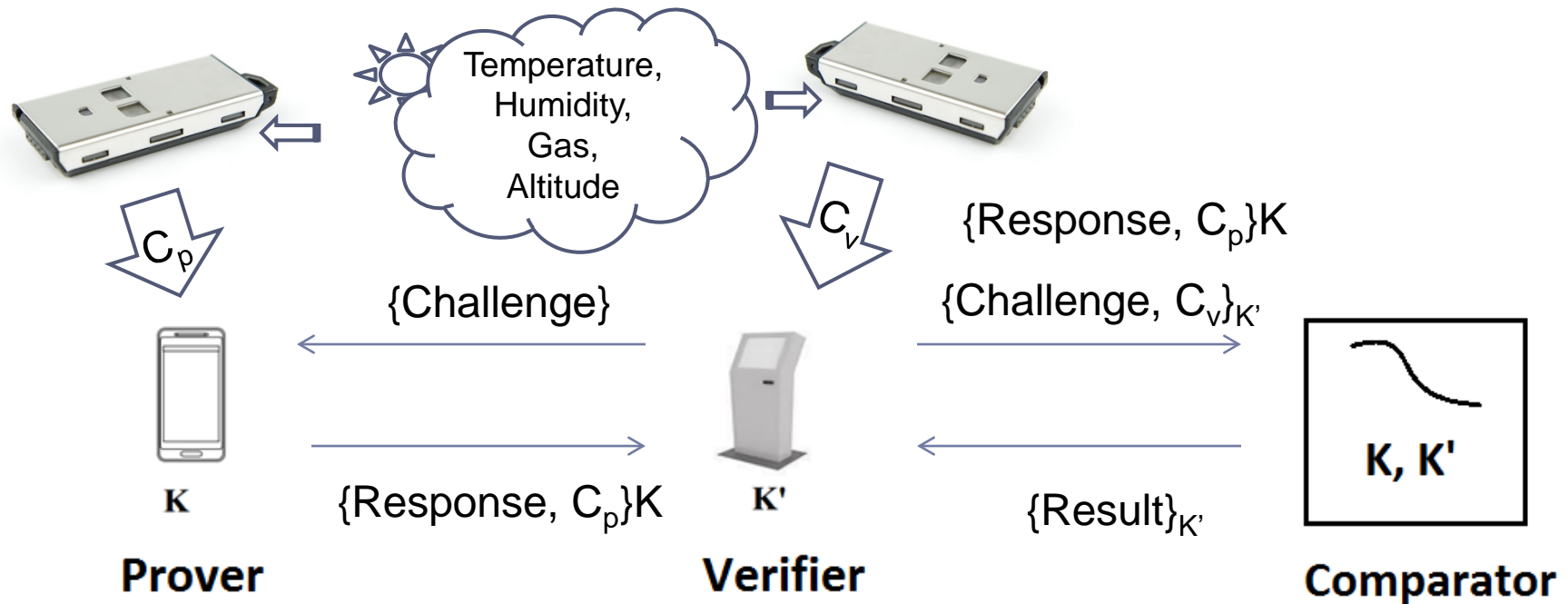
- ▶ Distance Bounding
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- ▶ Contextual Co-presence

# Contextual Co-presence





# Our Work: Contextual Co-presence Using **Physical Ambient** Modalities



# Our Contributions

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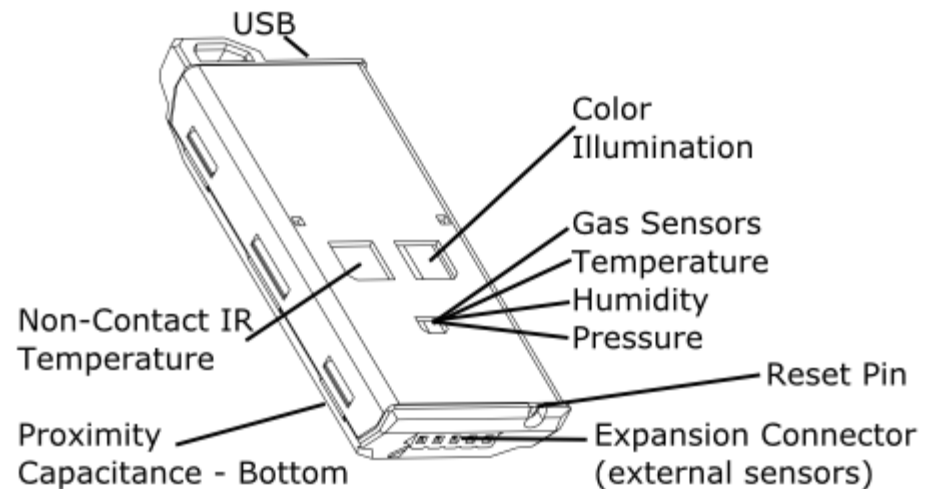
- ▶ Physical Ambient Sensors for Relay Attack Prevention
  - ▶ Off-the-shelf purely environmental sensors
- ▶ Multiple Modality Combinations
- ▶ Experiments & Analysis
  - ▶ Simple data collection application, utilizing Sensordrone



# Sensor Modalities Used

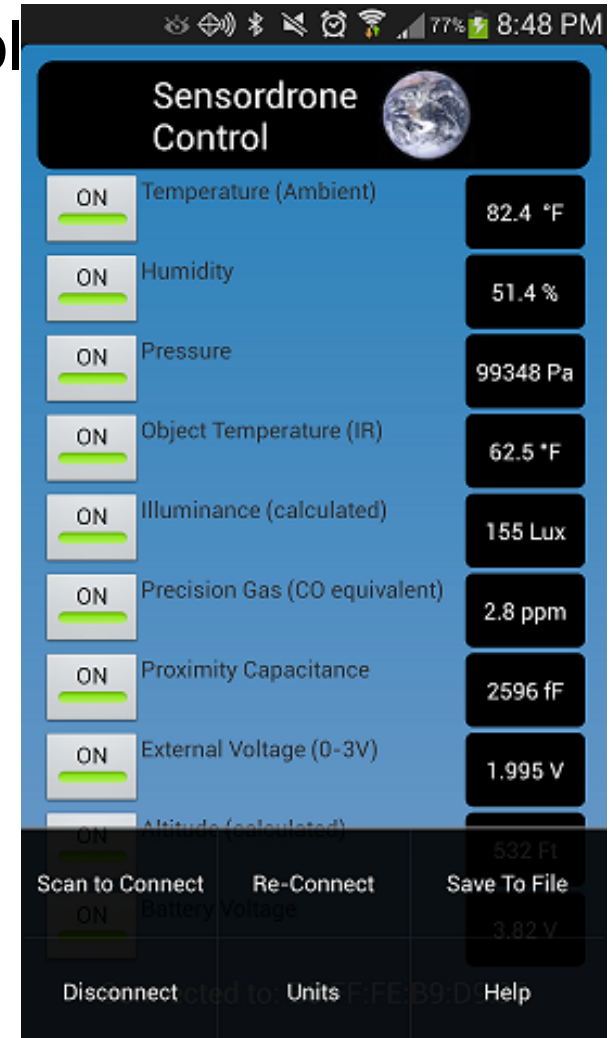
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- ▶ Ambient Temperature
- ▶ Humidity
- ▶ Gas (CO Level)
- ▶ Altitude and Pressure



# Experiments

- ▶ Android App (Sensordrone Control)
- ▶ Devices Used
  - ▶ Two Android Phones
  - ▶ Two Sensordrones



# Experiments & Analysis

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## ▶ Data Collection

- ▶ 207 samples at 21 different locations
- ▶ Co-located samples paired to generate co-presence data
- ▶ Samples from different places paired for non co-presence data

## ▶ Feature Calculation

- ▶ Hamming Distance: Difference between samples of each modality at each place

# Analysis

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- ▶ **Weka**
  - ▶ Ten fold cross validation
  - ▶ Multiboost
  - ▶ Random Forest (Best Classifier)
- ▶ **Classification Performance**
  - ▶ False Positive Rate (FPR) => Security,  
False Negative Rate (FNR) => Usability
  - ▶ F-Measure

# Results

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## ▶ Single Sensor Modality

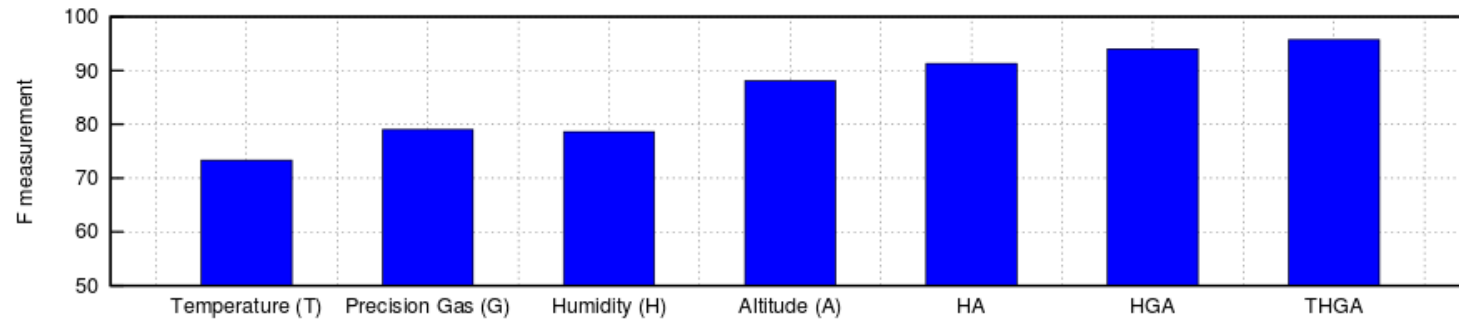
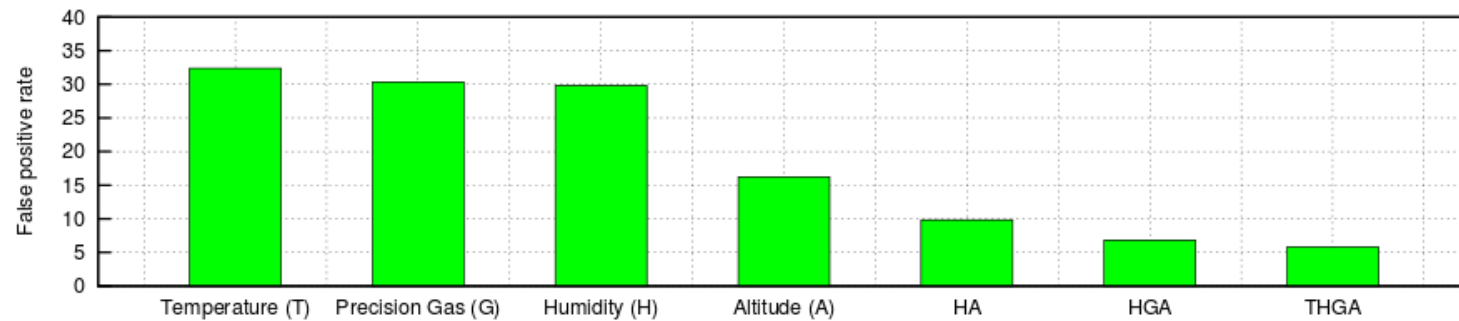
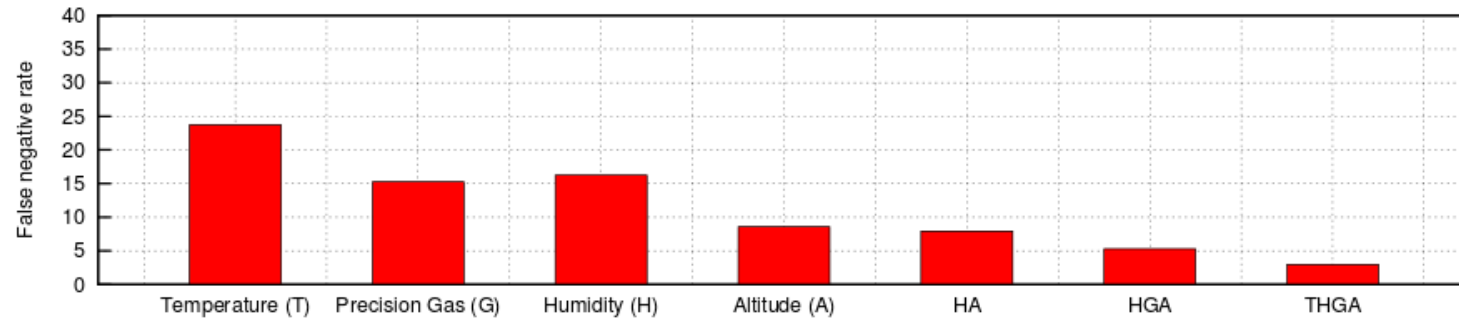
Modalities	FNR	FPR	Precision	Recall	F-Measure
Temperature(T)	23.74%	32.40%	0.705	0.763	0.733
Gas(G)	15.26%	30.36%	0.739	0.847	0.790
Humidity(H)	16.25%	29.81%	0.740	0.838	0.786
Altitude(A)	8.57%	16.25%	0.851	0.914	0.881

## ▶ Combination of Multiple Sensor Modalities

Modalities	FNR	FPR	Precision	Recall	F-Measure
HA	7.93%	9.85%	0.905	0.921	0.913
HGA	5.30%	6.83%	0.934	0.947	0.940
THGA	2.96%	5.81%	0.944	0.970	0.957

# Results

Experiment results





# Discussion

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- ▶ How do Physical Ambient Modalities compare with other commonly available sensor modalities?
  - ▶ Temperature, Humidity, Gas, Pressure/Altitude  
vs
  - ▶ RF Sensors (WIFI, Bluetooth, GPS), Audio



Truong et al. in PerCom. 2014

# Discussion

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- ▶ Response Time
  - ▶ Typically faster than common sensors



# Discussion

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- ▶ **Battery Power Consumption**
  - ▶ Low power consumption compared to common sensors
  - ▶ Minimal influence on the power consumption



# Discussion

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- ▶ **Adversarial Settings**
  - ▶ Changing multiple physical ambient modalities simultaneously
    - ▶ will be harder
    - ▶ increases the likelihood of being noticed



# Discussion

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- ▶ **Privacy**
  - ▶ (Location) Privacy
  - ▶ Modalities keep on changing



# Discussion

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- ▶ Other Sensors?



# Conclusion

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Co-presence detection based on information collected from multiple different **physical ambient sensors**

- ▶ Approach for preventing relay attacks
- ▶ Improved security, efficiency & privacy

# Thank You

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▶ Any Questions?

