

Context-aware Wireless Networks: Exploiting Mobility

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Scenarios



Underground or
Basement

Hello?

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High-speed
Transport

Current Scanning Frequencies

802.11

- Active scans every 15-60 seconds^[1]
 - Per saved network (max 16 for Android)

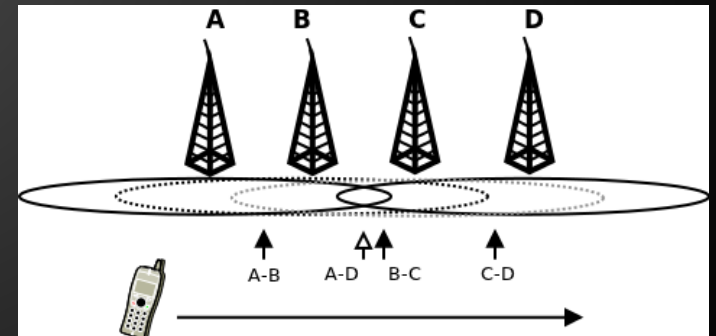
LTE

- Scans once every ~5mins

Wasted energy if in previous scenarios

Future

- Adaptive scanning interval
- Opportunistic active scans
 - Only probe a subset of saved networks
 - 'Seen together' APs
- Predictive handover
 - Historical handovers used



Mobility



Location



Possible Contexts

Environmental



Usage



Social Interaction



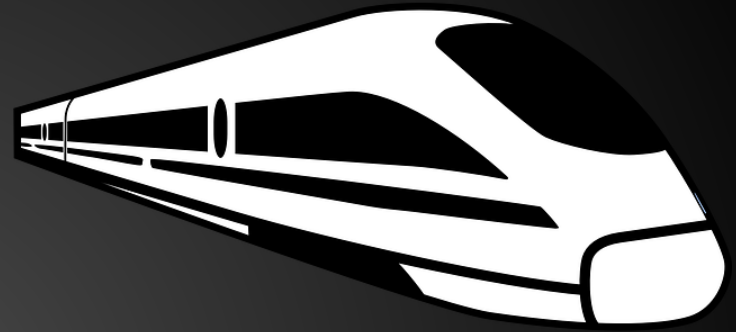
Mobility Context

1) None - You are not moving and your environment is not changing (ignoring fading etc).

Scan less frequent, or not at all?



2) Moderate - You are moving considerably, the environment around you is changing. Frequent scans needed.



3) High - You are travelling at high speed (relative to the world). Should we scan at all at these speeds? What about stopping at station?^[2]

Measuring Mobility

Options

1. Velocity


- Gives us a quantified metric

2. Categorisation via a Classifier

- Binary, i.e. Significant movement
- Types of movement, e.g. None, moderate, high.

Measuring Mobility

Possibilities

Gives us more information


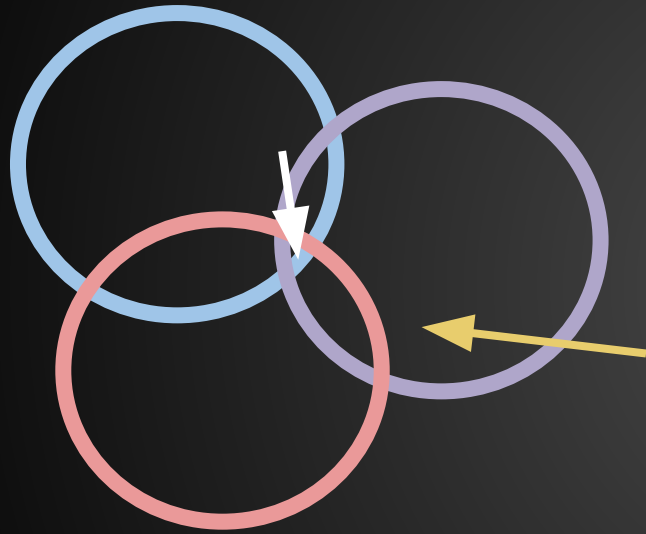
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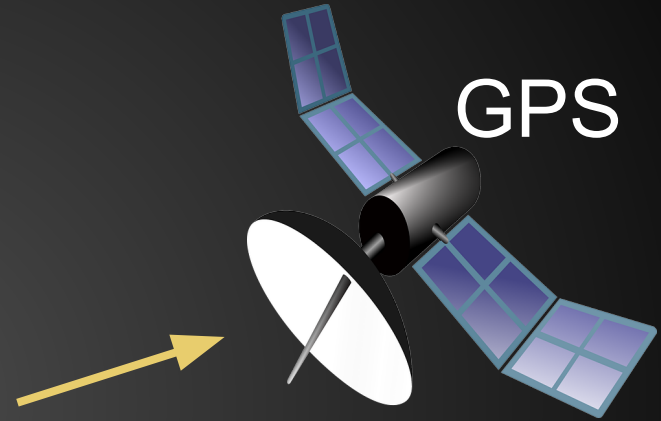
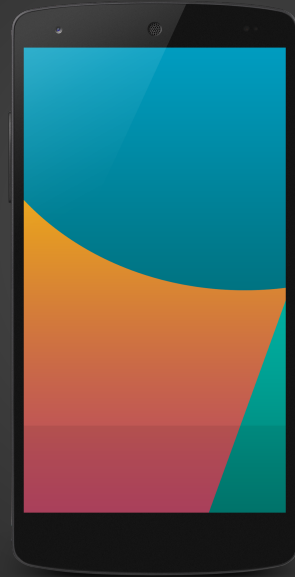
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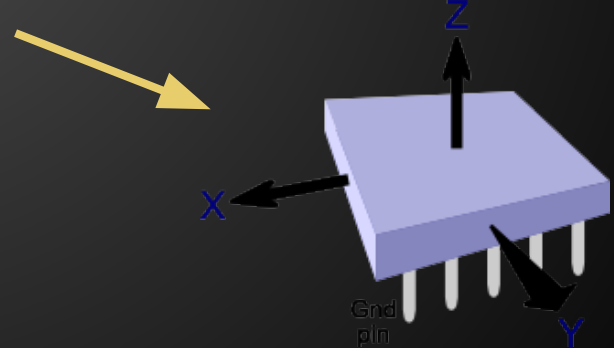
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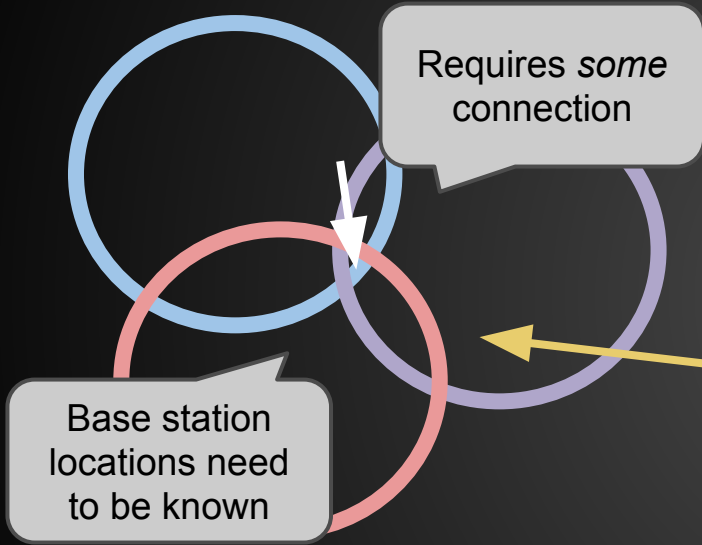
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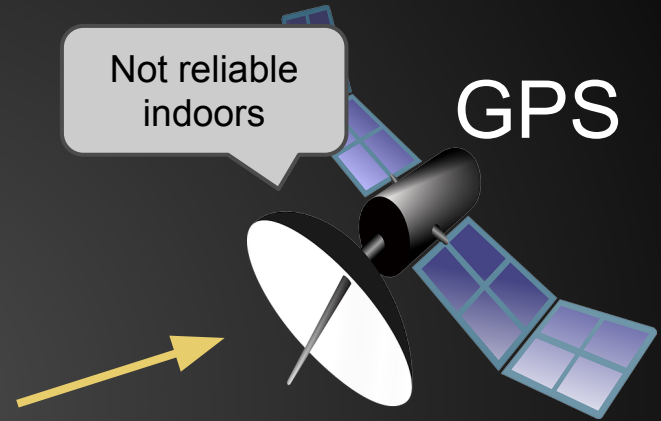
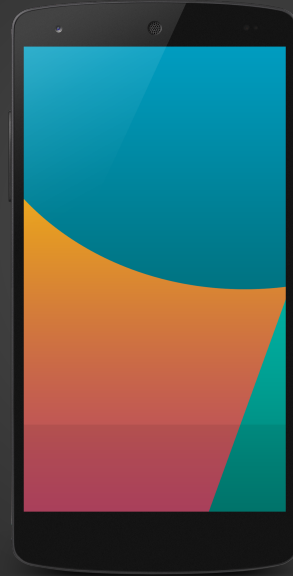
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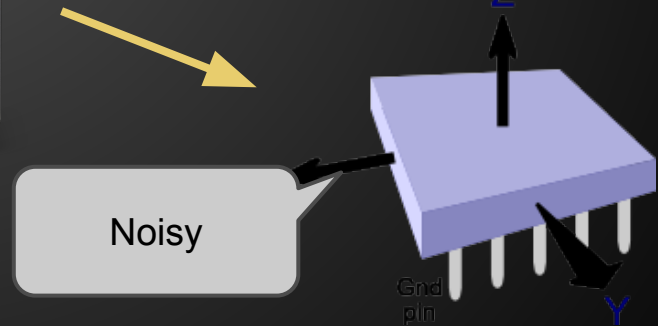
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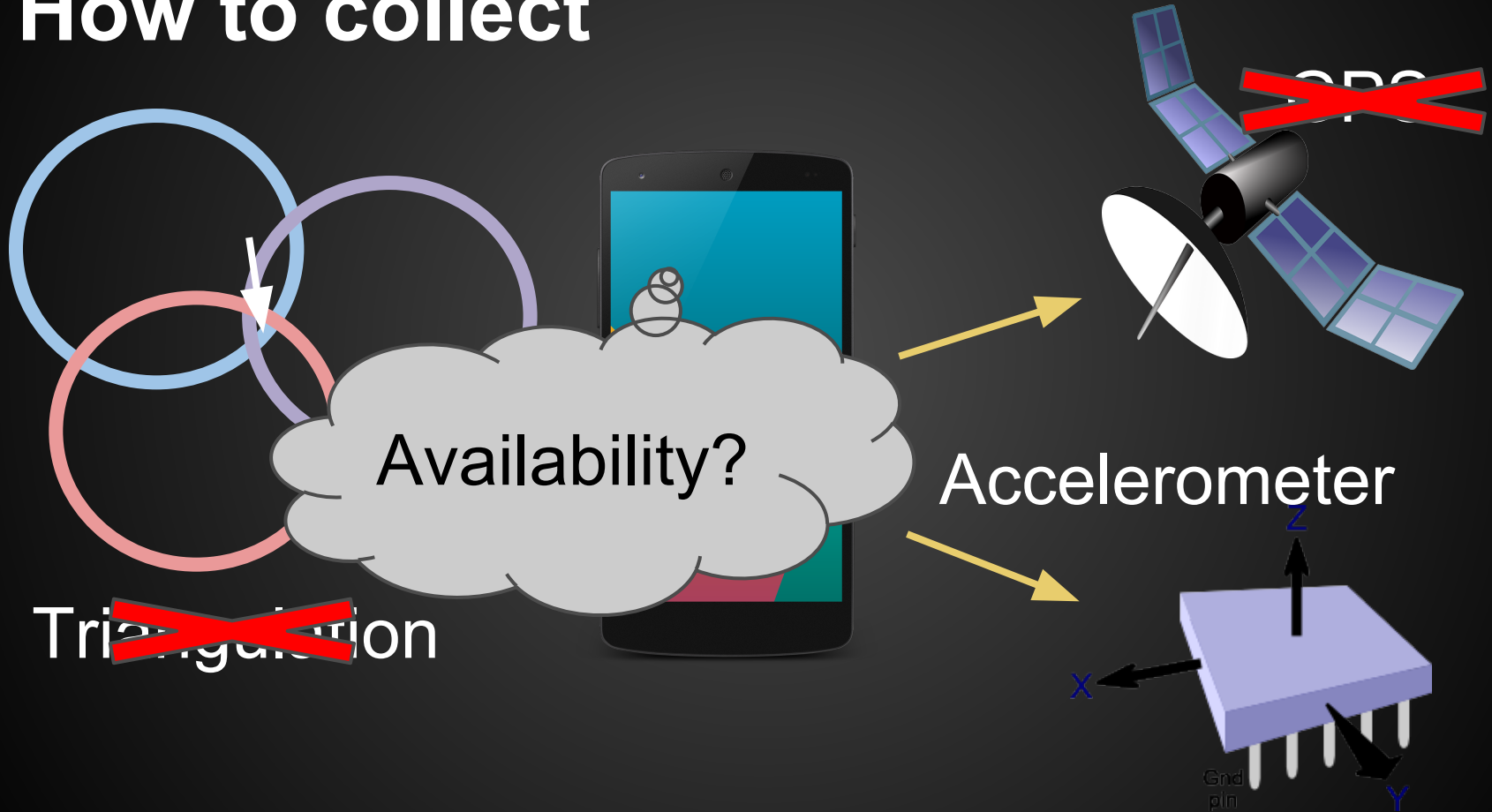
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Accelerometer



How to collect



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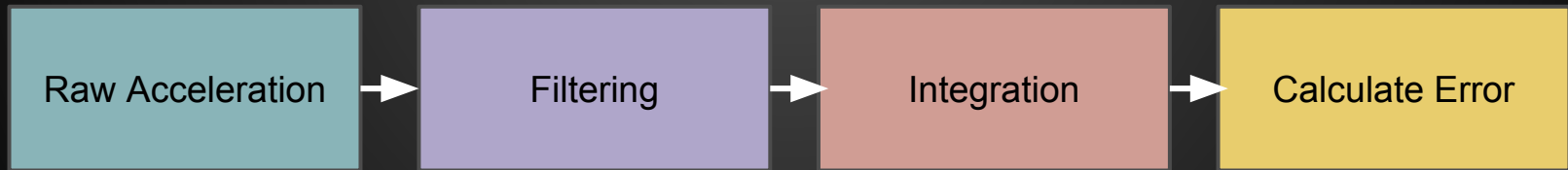
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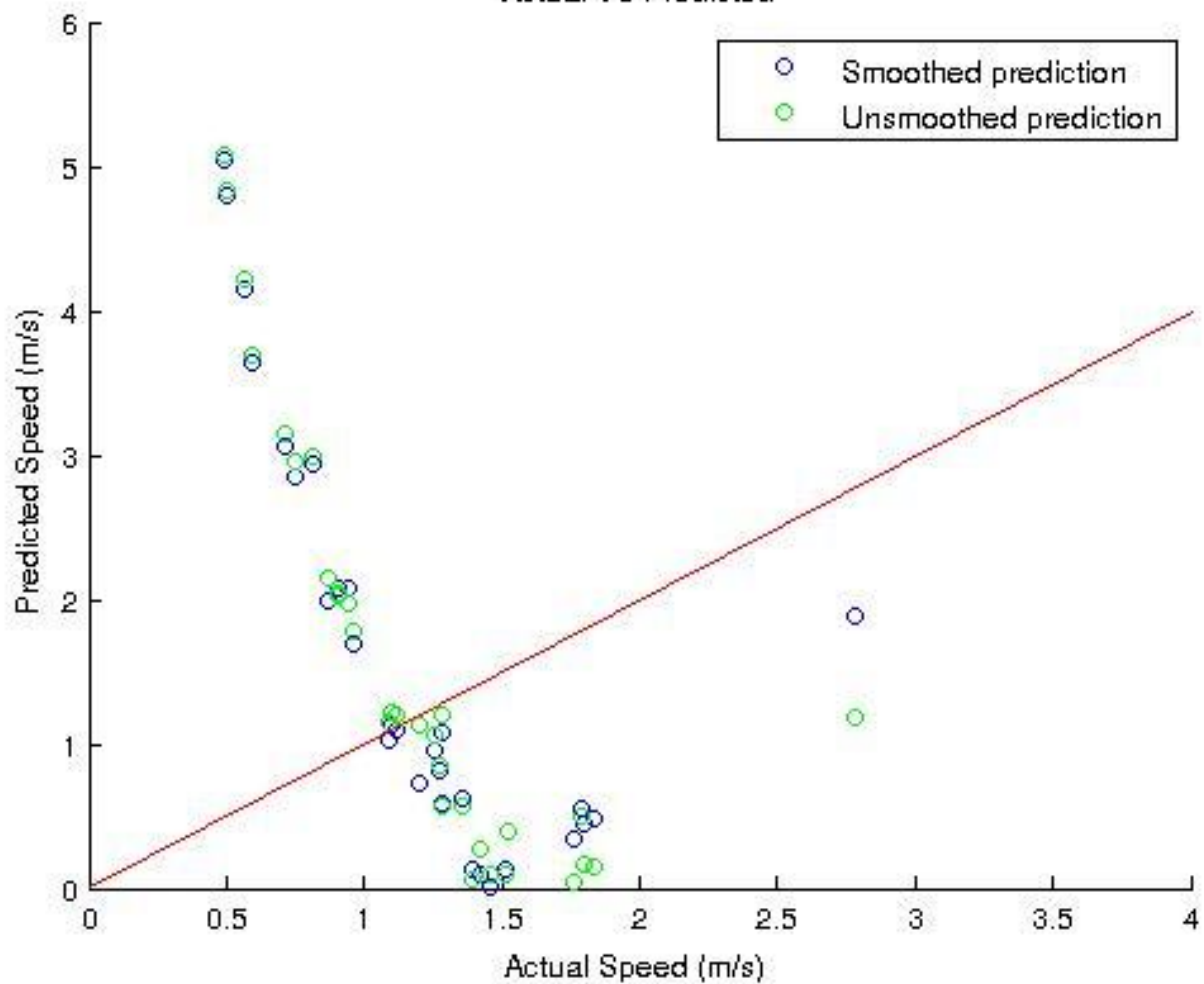
- Accelerometers are noisy
 - Not a good idea to integrate noise
- Problem known about
 - Little evidence to back up claims

Experiment

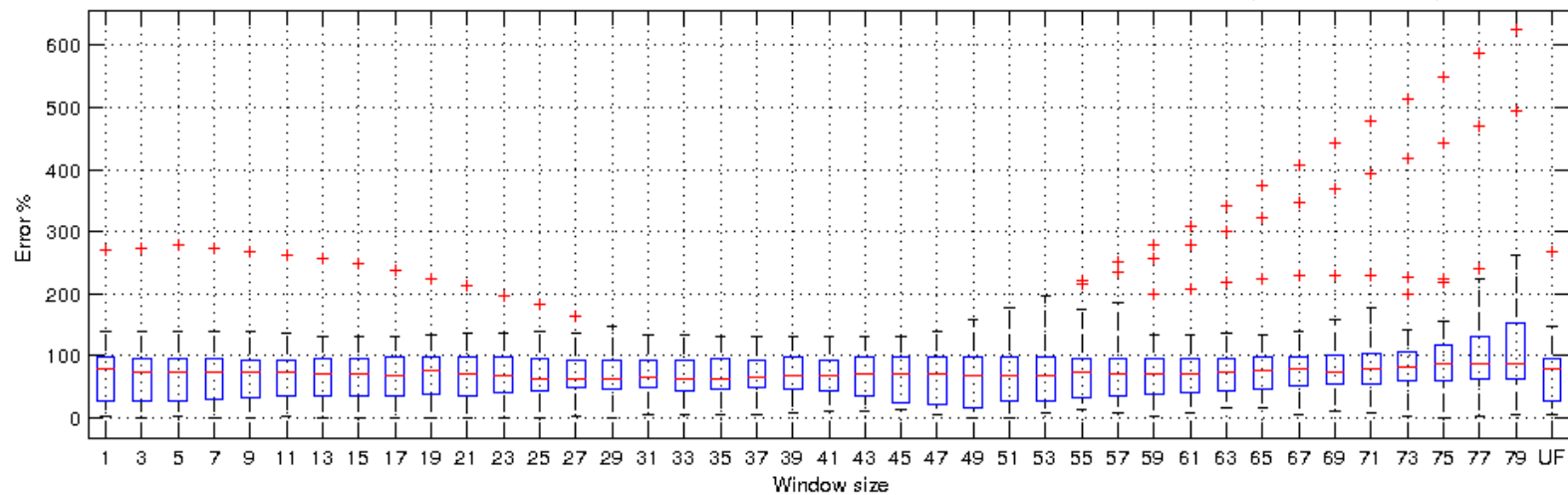
- Simplified experiment
 - Only using one axis
 - Orientation known
 - Burst of acceleration at beginning
 - Recorded average velocity (m/s) = distance/time



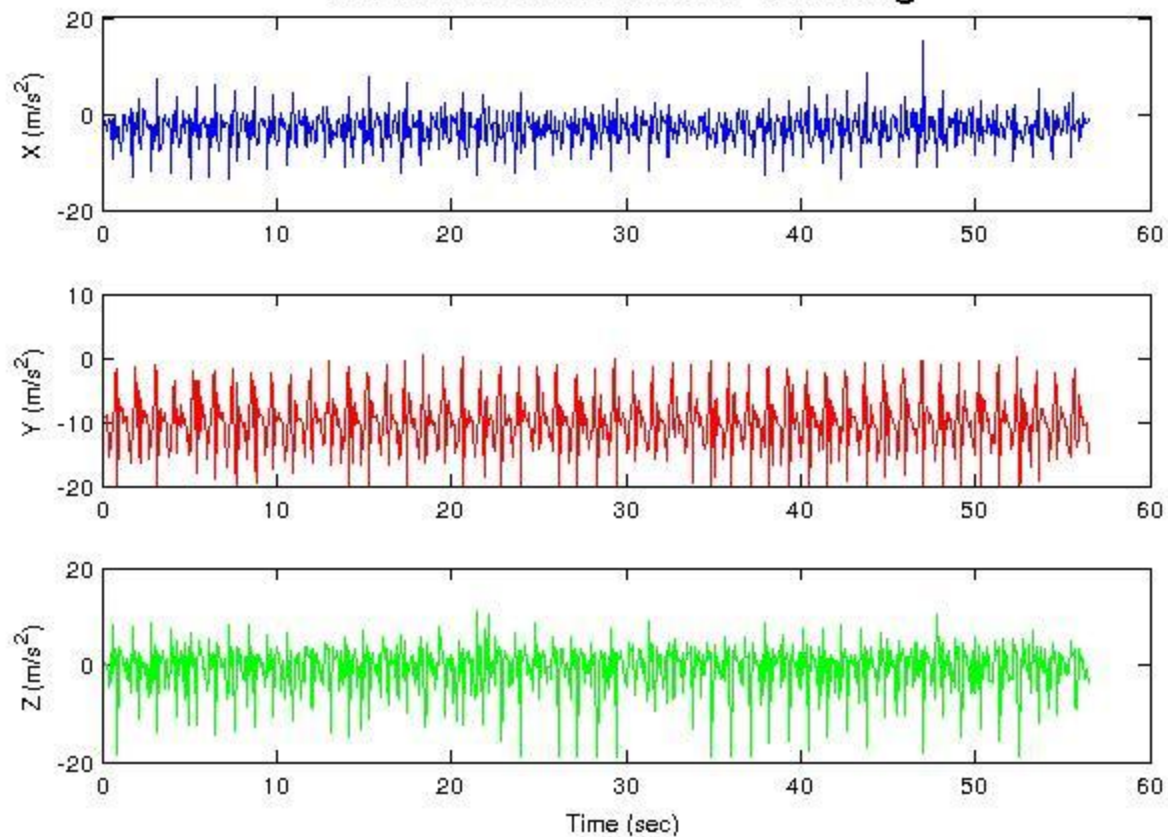
Actual VS Predicted



Relative error using MA smoothing - Outliers removed ($<0.8\text{m/s}$)



Acceleration while walking



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- **Error is over 1000%**

$$\text{Error} = \frac{|\text{predicted-expected}|}{\text{expected}}$$

Experiment - Conclusions

- Getting velocity from accelerometers is hard
 - Experimental data to backup previous claims.
- Will classifiers work better?
 - Maybe - Some correlation, apply regression
- Accelerometers are not useless
 - Repeating pattern in walking data (steps)
 - Use number of steps as a level of mobility?

Questions