



Indoor Navigation

Indoor Navigation in the TU-Mensa

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The mensa problem



- ▶ User wants to locate his/her friends using our app
- ▶ todo: Add produced user stories and use cases in a nice graphic

Resulting project questions

- ▶ How to get own position inside buildings?
- ▶ How to find other people inside buildings?
- ▶ Which privacy and security concern can be addressed?

- ▶ No GPS in buildings etc. => topic **Indoor navigation**
- ▶ **todo: More...**

Possible approaches to indoor positioning

- ▶ WiFi, Bluetooth, NFC, QR-Code, manual position pinning[BL09].
- ▶ **todo: Add technology matrix (last meeting)**

- ▶ With use of tubIT API.
- ▶ Provides building name, floor, coordinates.
- ▶ Problem: no coordinates in mensa and library, inaccurate coordinates elsewhere.

- ▶ Estimote beacons
- ▶ Possible positioning approaches
 - ▶ Indoor-Region Based Navigation
 - ▶ Live Indoor-Location Feedback Navigation
 - ▶ D2D Indoor-Navigation via Virtual Beacons
- ▶ Problem: possibly high battery usage

NFC

- ▶ Precondition: NFC tag on every table in mensa.
- ▶ Scenario: First group member that sits down puts phone on the table, phone reads tag and sends location to other group members.
- ▶ Cons: Requires user putting phone on table. High cost of initial NFC tags set-up. Requires NFC-enabled mobile device.

QR code





















- ▶ Precondition: QR code on every table in mensa.
- ▶ Scenario: First group member that sits down scans QR code on the table, phone sends location to other group members.
- ▶ Cons: Requires user scanning codes; impractical, time-consuming.

Manual position pinning

- ▶ Fallback option, if no location can be received automatically.
- ▶ User will have option, to pin own location inside mobile application.
- ▶ Useful in cases of broken infrastructure (WiFi is down, dead batteries in Bluetooth beacons...).
- ▶ Provides alternative for users with high privacy concerns who don't want to automatically share their locations.

- ▶ How much interaction with mobile device are users willing to do?
- ▶ Always-on positioning. Requires always-on Bluetooth.
- ▶ Always-on positioning. Bluetooth turns on when WiFi positioning detects we are in mensa or library.
- ▶ Time based positioning. Application activates only in certain time intervals.
- ▶ Positioning while application is running and Bluetooth is on.
- ▶ Positioning on demand. User have to press a button to share position.
- ▶ User pins own position on map inside application.
- ▶ **todo: Ask the 3 - 4 most important questions**

Technology matrix

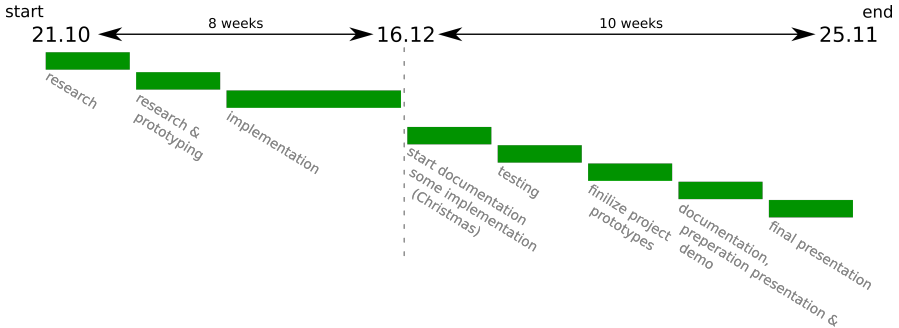
	Accuracy	Battery Consumption	User Interaction	Platform Independency
iBeacon (Bluetooth LE)				
Bluetooth/Pairing (Device to Device)				
WiFi (Localization)				
NFC (Check-In)				
QR-Code (Check-In)				

- ▶ todo: Add graphic - include (at least): Android app, iOS app, local

Our approach - specifics





















- ▶ Client-server architecture
- ▶ Server tasks
 - ▶ Retrieve details about bluetooth beacons.
 - ▶ Share location between users.
- ▶ **todo: Finalize this**

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Do you have questions?

If not - we have! :)

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- **Look** at the **matrix** above
- **Decide** which of the **properties** is **important** for you
- Vote for **2** properties

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