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## Introduction



### Background

In recent years, the advancement of wireless communication technologies has opened new avenues for various applications beyond traditional data transmission. One such application is using WiFi Channel State Information (CSI) for human activity recognition. CSI provides detailed information about the signal propagation environment, making it possible to detect and classify human movements with high accuracy.





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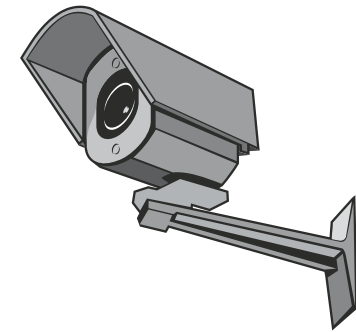
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### Statement of Problem

- Traditional methods of human activity detection often rely on cameras or wearable sensors, which can be intrusive and raise privacy concerns.
- These methods require significant infrastructure and maintenance. Our research addresses these challenges by utilizing WiFi CSI data, a non-intrusive and cost-effective alternative.





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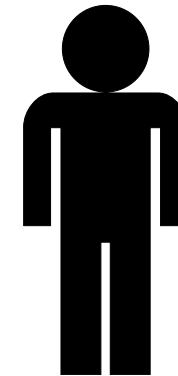
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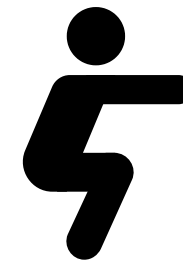
### Objective

The objectives of this research are:

- Develop an effective method for detecting and classifying human activities, specifically standing and squatting, using WiFi CSI data. By employing signal processing techniques and machine learning algorithms, we aim to demonstrate that WiFi CSI can be a reliable tool for human activity recognition in various environments



Standing



Squatting



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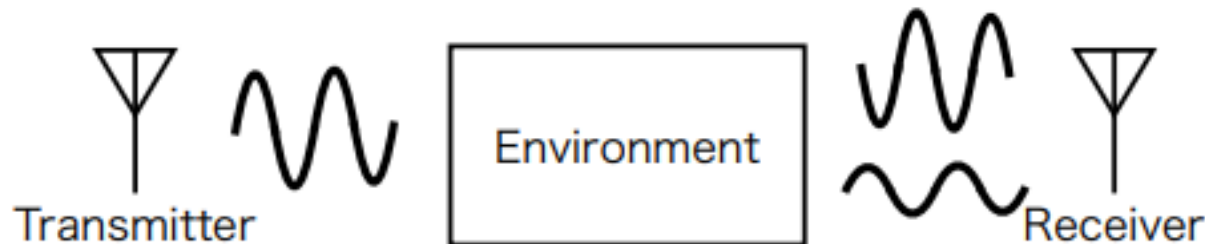
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### What is CSI ?

Channel State Information (CSI) is a critical metric in wireless communication, representing the channel properties of a WiFi signal between the transmitter and receiver.



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### What is CSI ?

The transmitted signal does not reach the receiver without any changes.

- After reflecting off objects in the communication environment, it arrives at the receiver with some delays.
- Assuming that the transmitted signal has reached the receiver via  $M$  different paths, it can be modeled as follows.

$$\bar{h}(t; \tau) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} a_i e^{j\phi_i} \delta(t - \tau_i)$$

- $\bar{h}(t; \tau)$ : Impulse response function of the channel.
- $\sum_{i=0}^{M-1}$ : Summation over all multipath components, from  $i = 0$  to  $i = M - 1$ .
- $a_i$ : Amplitude of the  $i$ -th multipath component. This reflects the strength of the signal for that path.
- $e^{j\phi_i}$ : Phase shift of the  $i$ -th multipath component. The  $j$  here is the imaginary unit, indicating that this part of the signal is in the complex plane.
- $\delta(t - \tau_i)$ : Dirac delta function, which indicates that the signal arrives at the receiver with a time delay of  $\tau_i$  for the  $i$ -th path.



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### Fourier Transform and CSI Measurement

$$H(f) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} a_i e^{j\phi_i} e^{-j2\pi f t_i}$$

Here,  $H(f)$  represents the measured Channel State Information (CSI) in the frequency domain.

$M$  is the number of multipath components (signals taking different paths from transmitter to receiver).

$a_i$  represents the amplitude of the  $i$ -th multipath component.

$\phi_i$  is the phase shift of the  $i$ -th multipath component.

$t_i$  is the time delay for the  $i$ -th multipath component.

$j$  is the imaginary unit.



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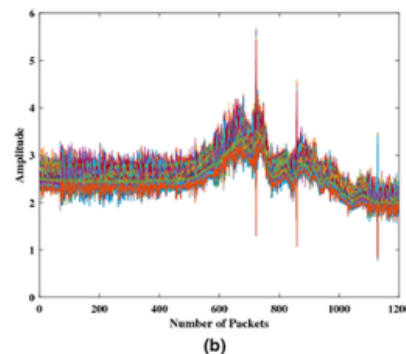
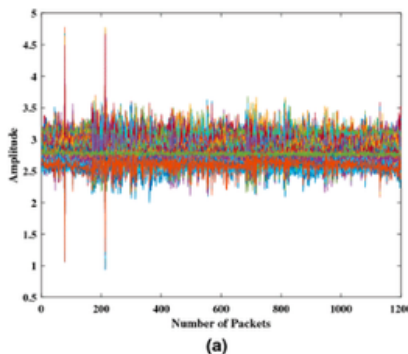
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### ► WiFi Signal (CSI) VS Camera

#### WiFi Signal (CSI)

- Does not capture visual images, more privacy.
- Presence and movements detection based on signals.
- Generally low cost.
- Cover large area, scalable



#### Camera

- Visual capture may be invasive to privacy
- Subject to lighting condition
- Software and hardware cost factor
- Less scalable as it can be costly to cover large area





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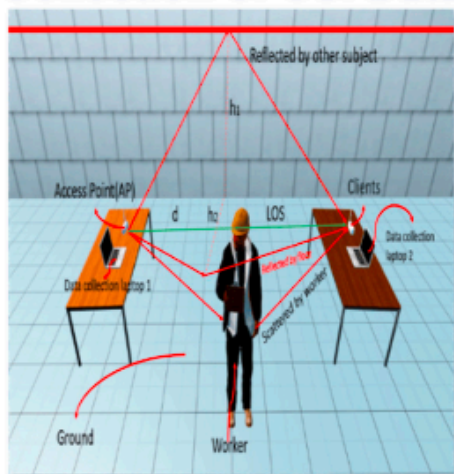
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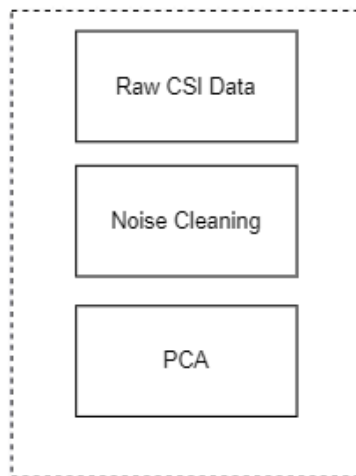


### Flowchart

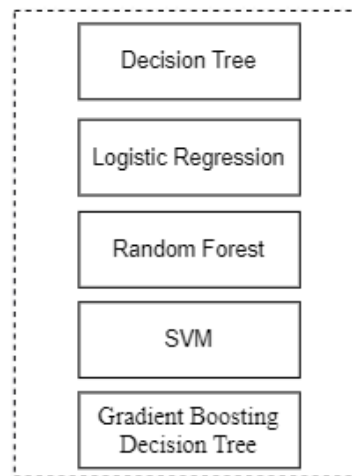
#### Collection of CSI Data



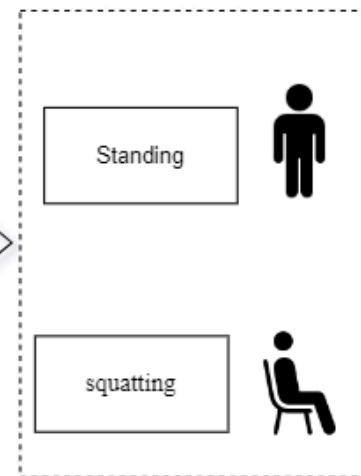
#### Data Preprocessing



#### Classifier



#### Human Detection





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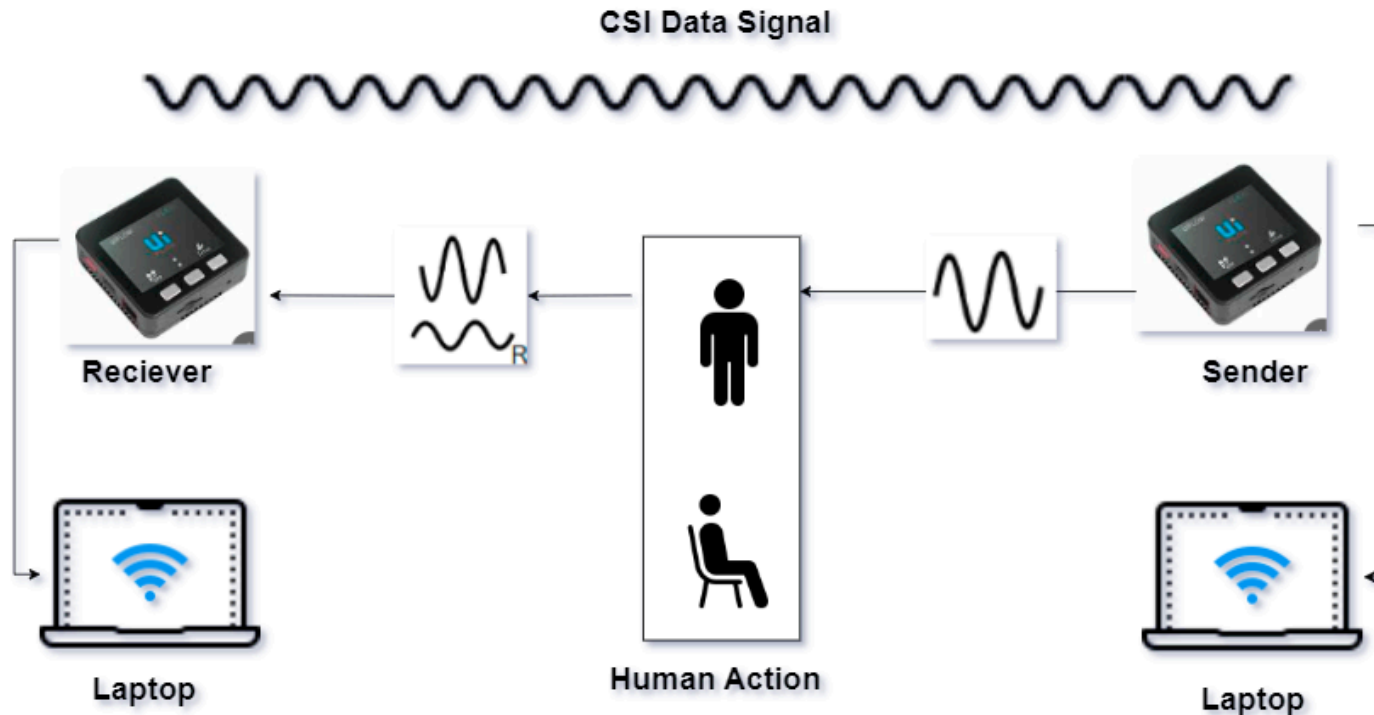
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### Data Collection





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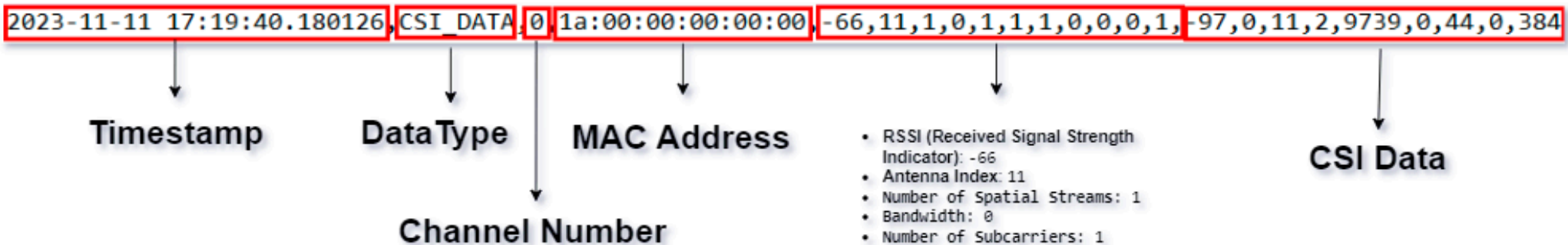
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### Data Structure





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### Convert CSI Data to Amplitude

- CSI values are complex numbers, they provides comprehensive information but may be difficult to interpret to interpret directly.
- Converting it to amplitude simplifies the data and can boost interpretability
- we convert the complex number to an amplitude as following.

$$a = \sqrt{\text{Re}[H(f)]^2 + \text{Im}[H(f)]^2}$$

Where:

- **a** represent amplitude of CSI
- $\text{Re}[H(f)]$  is the real part of the complex CSI.
- $\text{Im}[H(f)]$  is the imaginary part of the complex CSI.

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### Data Pre-processing

The Data pre-processing step include:

- **Clean Noise Data:** The first couple seconds of the data are removed as this is when we start and prepare to monitor the signal transmission
- **PCA:** The data distribution is reduced to a lower dimensions .
- Divide data into training set and testing set.

### Data after Clean

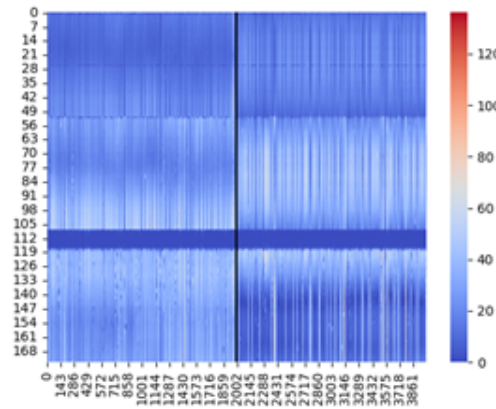


Fig. 3. Heatmap of CSI amplitude for standing and squatting.

### PCA

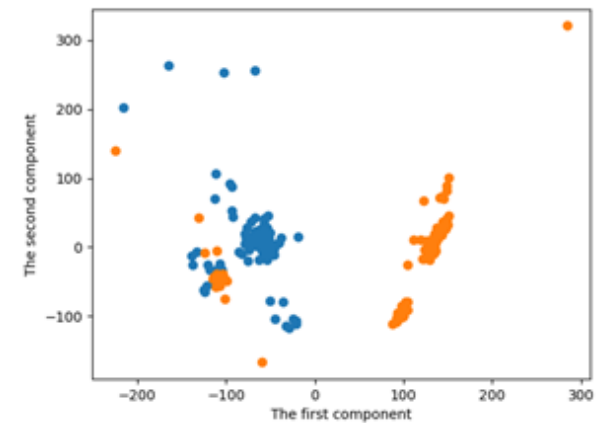


Fig. 4. The data distribution reduced to lower dimensions with PCA.



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## ➤ Result and Discussion

Table 1. Prediction accuracy for test data.

Method	Accuracy
Decision Tree	0.978
Logistic Regression	0.991
Random Forest	0.997
Support Vector Machine	0.994
Gradient Boosting Decision Tree	0.997





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## ➤ Conclusion

we constructed a CSI measurement system using M5Stack and proposed a system for estimating human posture without any cameras. The estimation accuracy achieved was over 99%. This means that a human detection system can be built using CSI and machine learning.

## ➤ Future Work

In the future we hope to develop a system that detects not only human posture but also movements and crowd counting which can be used for various applications such as in elderly caring. Moreover, we will explore other machine learning such as deep learning, to further improve estimation accuracy.





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