

## Question 1: Fundamental Problems

Describe the fundamental challenges of pervasive positioning and discuss them in relation to solutions presented during the course.

- **Adequately, Anything, Anywhere, Anytime**
  - Tracking humans (phones) vs tracking fish or cows
  - Under water, in buildings, in the desert
  - During business hours, at night, cloudy, fire
- **Quality attributes (CARE)**
  - Coverage - refer to Place Lab (4.5% GPS coverage)
  - Accuracy - gps, wifi, magnetic field
  - Responsiveness - gps vs a-gps
  - Energy efficiency - EnTracked
- **Privacy**

## Question 2: Pervasive Positioning Applications

Describe how pervasive positioning applications can be classified

Discuss the classification in relation to existing applications on common mobile phones (iphone, android, ...)

- **Application categories** (navigation, emergency response, social network, fitness)
- **Positioning type**
  - Signal-strength based → WiFi, GSM
  - Time-of-arrival based → GPS, A-GPS, Ultrasound, UWB
  - Location fingerprinting → WiFi
  - Intertial measurements (sensor fusion) → Accelerometer
- **Positioning methods**
  - Proximity
  - Lateration
  - Angulation
  - Pattern Recognition
  - Dead Reckoning
- **Categorizing location-based service**
  - Reactive → proactive
  - Self-referencing → cross-referencing
  - Single-target → multi-target
  - Content-oriented → Application-oriented

## Question 3: Pervasive Positioning

Describe evaluation criteria, architectural properties and positioning methods and discuss dependencies between them when designing positioning systems (e.g. as in project 1)

- Evaluation criteria
  - **Quality attributes (CARE)**
    - Coverage
    - Accuracy
    - Responsiveness
    - Energy efficiency
  - **Krumm's evaluation criteria**
    - Resolution
    - Infrastructure requirements (Cost)
    - Privacy
    - Accuracy
    - Coverage
    - Spectral requirements
    - Location System Type
- **Architectural properties**
  - Client-based                      A device computes its own location
  - Network-based                  Network infrastructure calculates the position of a device
  - Network-assisted              Device and infrastructure compute location cooperatively
- **Positioning methods**
  - Proximity
  - Lateration
  - Angulation
  - Pattern Recognition
  - Dead Reckoning
- Dependencies - tradeoff (draw graph, coverage vs accuracy)

## Question 4: Applying Techniques I

Explain the technique of location fingerprinting and discuss issues when applying the technique as you did in mandatory project 1.

- **Technique**
  - **Training phase** (offline phase) to build radiomap
    - Radio map consists of signal strengths
  - **Real-time phase** (online phase)
    - Measure AP signal strengths
    - Choose nearest neighbor in signal space
      - K-nearest neighbors
- **Issues**
  - Time consuming
  - AP relocation
  - Orientation (refer to RADAR)
  - Obstructions (meatbags, environmental changes)
- **Model-based approach**
  - Alleviates time consumingness
  - Requires floorplans and building materials
  - Still problem with obstructions (aka. meatbags)

## Question 5: Applying Techniques II

Explain techniques for efficient position updating and discuss issues when applying the techniques as you did in mandatory project 2.

- **Periodic** approach    Many fixes, many uplinks
- **Distance** based        Many fixes, few uplinks
- **Bounded speed**        Fewer fixes (short distance left  $\Rightarrow$  many fixes), few uplinks
- **Accelerometer**        Fewest fixes (removes problem), few uplinks
  
- If the server provides an on-demand service
  - Move (some) responsibility from device to server
    - If data is queried once a day, no need to update every 50 meters
  - Combined **querying / reporting**
- **EnTracked**
  - Power off, power on delays
  - Cold starts vs hot starts

## Question 6: Evaluation I

Discuss the evaluation of pervasive positioning systems and relate the discussion to your own evaluation in mandatory project 1

- **Quality attributes (CARE)**
  - Coverage
  - Accuracy (Discuss both empirical and model based approach)
  - Responsiveness
  - Energy efficiency
- **Krumm's evaluation criteria**
  - Resolution
  - Infrastructure requirements (Cost)
  - Privacy
  - Accuracy
  - Coverage
  - Spectral requirements
  - Location System Type
- **Evaluation**
  - Simulation
  - Emulation
  - Experimentation

## Question 7: Evaluation II

Discuss the evaluation of pervasive positioning systems and relate the discussion to your own evaluation in mandatory project 2

- **Quality attributes (CARE)**
  - Coverage
  - Accuracy (Discuss all four strategies)
  - Responsiveness
  - Energy efficiency (Discuss all four strategies)
- **Krumm's evaluation criteria**
  - Resolution
  - Infrastructure requirements (Cost)
  - Privacy
    - Positioning is done locally so we own the position
  - Accuracy
  - Coverage
  - Spectral requirements
  - Location System Type
- **Evaluation**
  - Simulation
  - Emulation
  - Experimentation