

# INDOOR NAVIGATION

Service for indoor navigation on  
forums and exhibitions

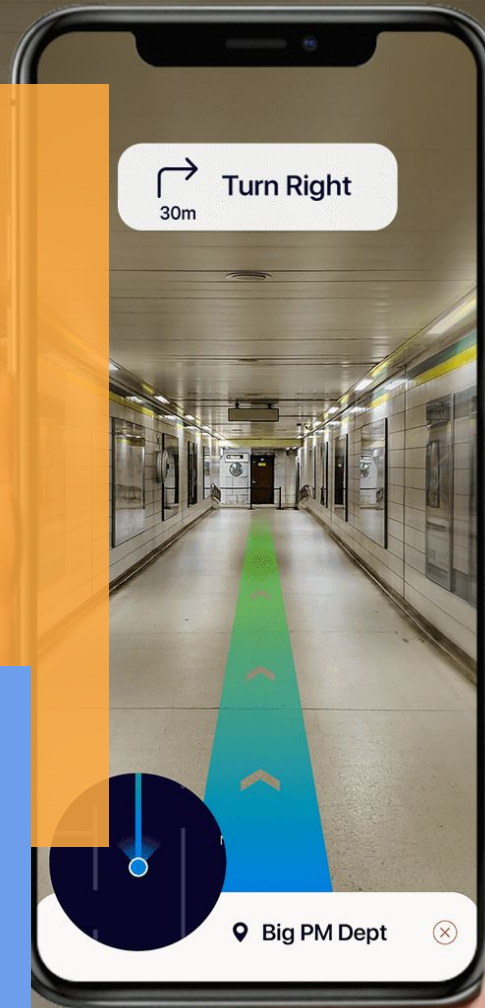
## Technology Planning and Roadmapping

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# Background / Context

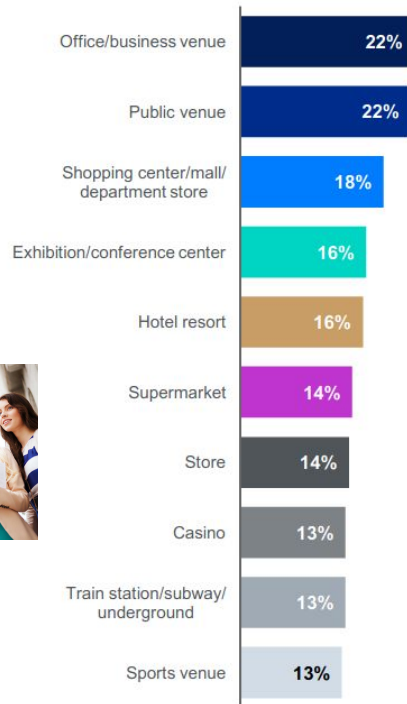
Indoor navigation solutions is a wide range of products and services. While "indoor routing" functionality that guides people through the buildings is important, there are lots of services which support it, such as content management system, mobile and web applications, indoor and outdoor localization, social networks, data analytics and many others.

Why do we need indoor navigation and positioning?

- Convenience of global Geo-services
- GPS reception problems inside buildings



One of understandable example of such kind of products is a Google Maps, which is scaled to work inside the buildings.

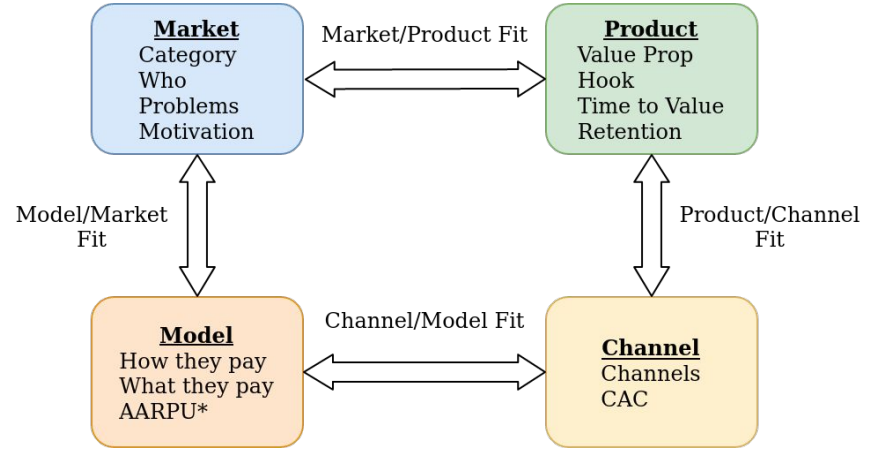
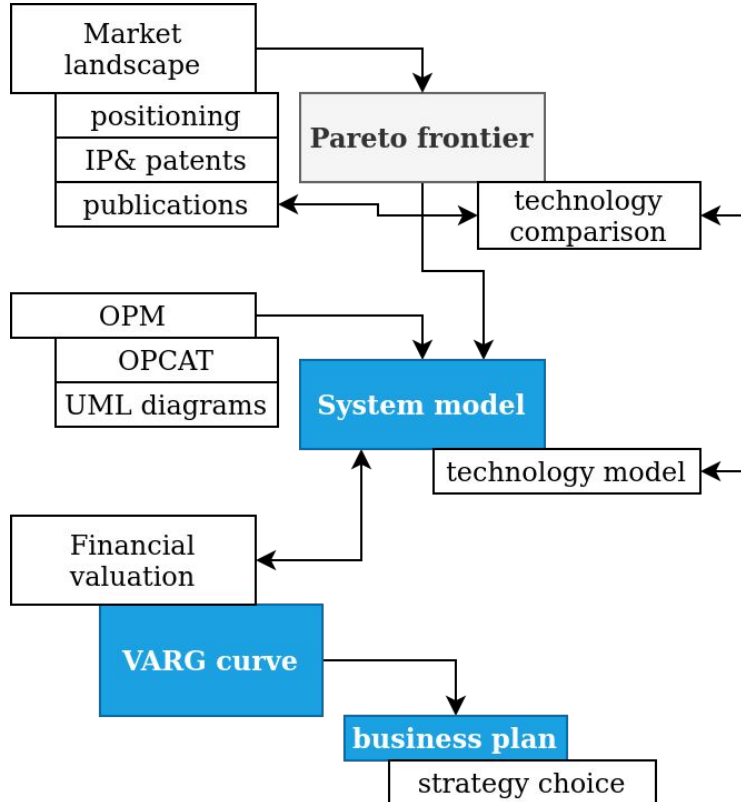


# Objectives

There are several important points in this scientific area to assist in:

- Taking decision of technology / product choice
- Understanding physical limits with a feasible model of technology
- Understand Timeline and Market scenarios
- Landscape of technology with literature and patent review

# Approach



indoor, building
positioning, localisation, tracking, location
magnetic, fingerprint
WiFi, RSSE, trilateration, iBeacon, RSSI
BLE, Bluetooth
no hardware, wireless
accuracy, precision, latency, cost
exhibition, shop, retail, customer

# Figures of merit

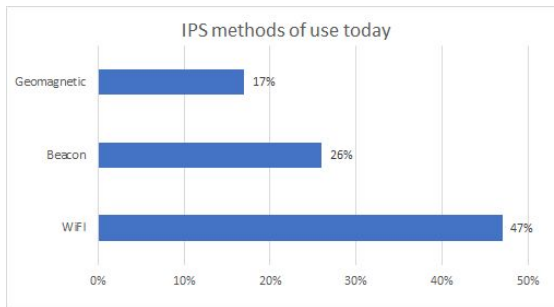
## Technology FOM's

Figure of merit	Units	Description
<b>cost hardware, software</b>	f(USD/sqm)	cost or hardware rent to provide coverage of needed area with normal operating accuracy
<b>accuracy</b>	m	accuracy of localization, difference between real position and measurements
<i>range</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>Not important factor, complexity and scalability are affected by this factor. Not representative, because of different types of implementation. Excluded from FOM's</i>
<i>additional requirements</i>	<i>USD; year</i>	<i>If yes, product is not applicable until they are not solved. Not implemented into model, technologies with additional requirements are not mapped. (Infrastructure Requirements, Impacts and Notes)</i>
<i>Scalability</i>	<i>low/med/high</i>	<i>range of scalability, important factor to consider in strategy choice</i>
<i>Complexity</i>	<i>low/med/high</i>	<i>range of complexity, important factor to consider in strategy choice</i>
<i>Robustness</i>		<i>additional information of what affect the performance of technology</i>

## Product FOM's

Figure of merit	Units	Description
<b>development time</b>	month	time to develop the product based on technology with specified accuracy
<b>accuracy</b>	m	accuracy of localization, RMS error between real position and measurements

# Technology comparison



IPS Technology	Accuracy, m	Scalability	Complexity	Type
Geomagnetic	2	Low	Low	fingerprinting
Photo	1-10	Low	High	camera
Barcodes	1-10	Medium	Low	camera
Video, AR	1-10	Low	High	camera
Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE)	1-3	High	Medium	Radio
RFID, Active	1-10	Medium	Medium	Radio
RFID, Passive	1-10	Medium	Medium	Radio
Wi-Fi	5-10	High	Medium	Radio
Ultra Wide Band (UWB)	0.15-0.5	Low	Medium	Radio
Zigbee	3-5	Low	Low	Radio
FM	2-4	Low	Low	
Lighting-Based – Infrared LED	0.15-3	Low	Low	Lighting
Lighting-Based – Visible LED	0.3-3	Low	Low	Lighting
Audible	0.5	Low	Low	sonic
Ultrasound	0.05-0.25	Low	Medium	sonic
Inertial		Low	Low	supplementary
Pressure				supplementary
GPS	6-10	Low	High	supplementary

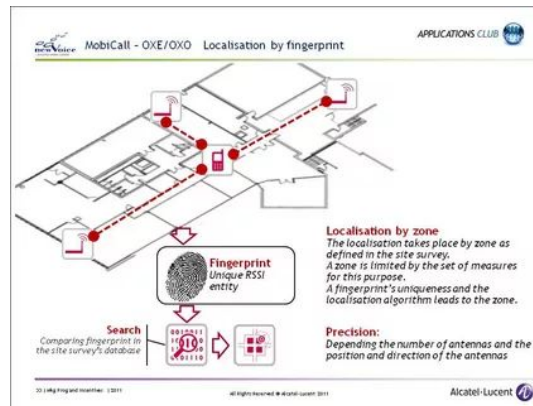
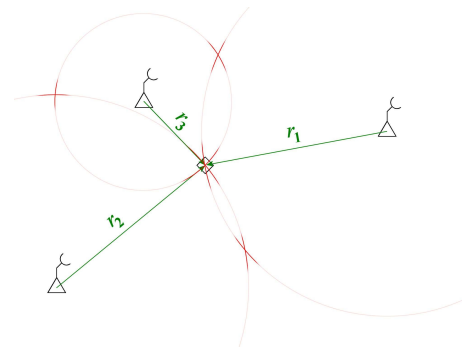
# Technological limits

3 types: radio (*distance*), image (*angle*), fingerprinting (*position*)

Radio (multilateration, distance measurement), fingerprinting: noise level, wave reflections, sensor errors are main limitations.

Because of noise, the technology limit can't be reached, only on frequencies where is no external noise, wave reflections - scanning error depends on geometry of signal way.

Image based: accuracy/precision of localisation depends on camera angle resolution. Because trilateration with camera is not possible, error is a linear function of range.

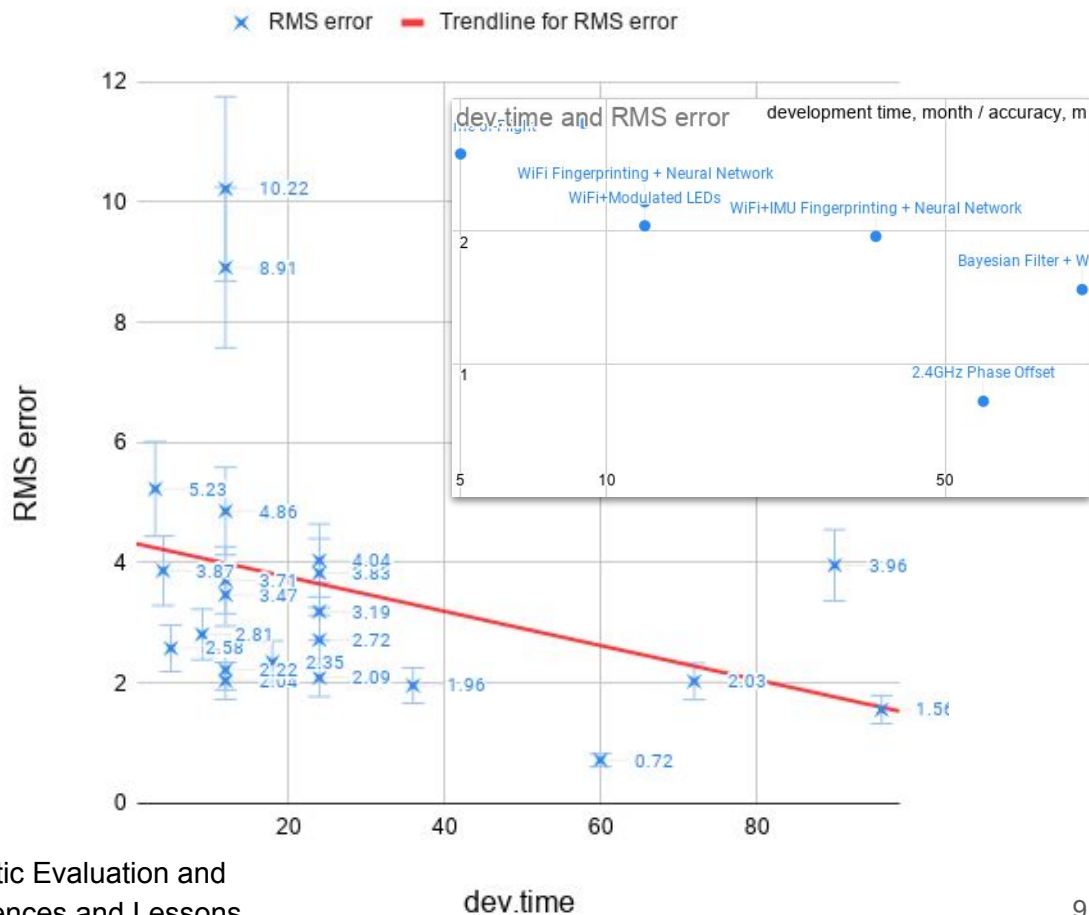




# Technology comparison

Technical Approach	Dev.time, month	RMS error, m
2.4GHz Phase Offset	60	0.72
WiFi+Modulated LEDs	12	2.04
2.4GHz Time-of-Flight	72	2.03
Ultrasonic Time-of-Flight	24	2.09
IR/Radio Time-of-Flight	18	2.35
2.4GHz Time-of-Flight	5	2.58
WiFi+Bluetooth+IMU	24	2.72
Modulated Magnetic Signals	24	3.83
SDR Time-of-Flight	4	3.87
Modulated Magnetic Signals	90	3.96
2.4GHz Phase Offset	24	4.04
WiFi+Sound Time-of-Flight	12	8.91
Steerable Antennas ToF	12	10.22
Bayesian Filter + WiFi Fingerprinting	96	1.56
WiFi+IMU Fingerprinting + Neural Network	36	1.96

RMS error vs. dev.time

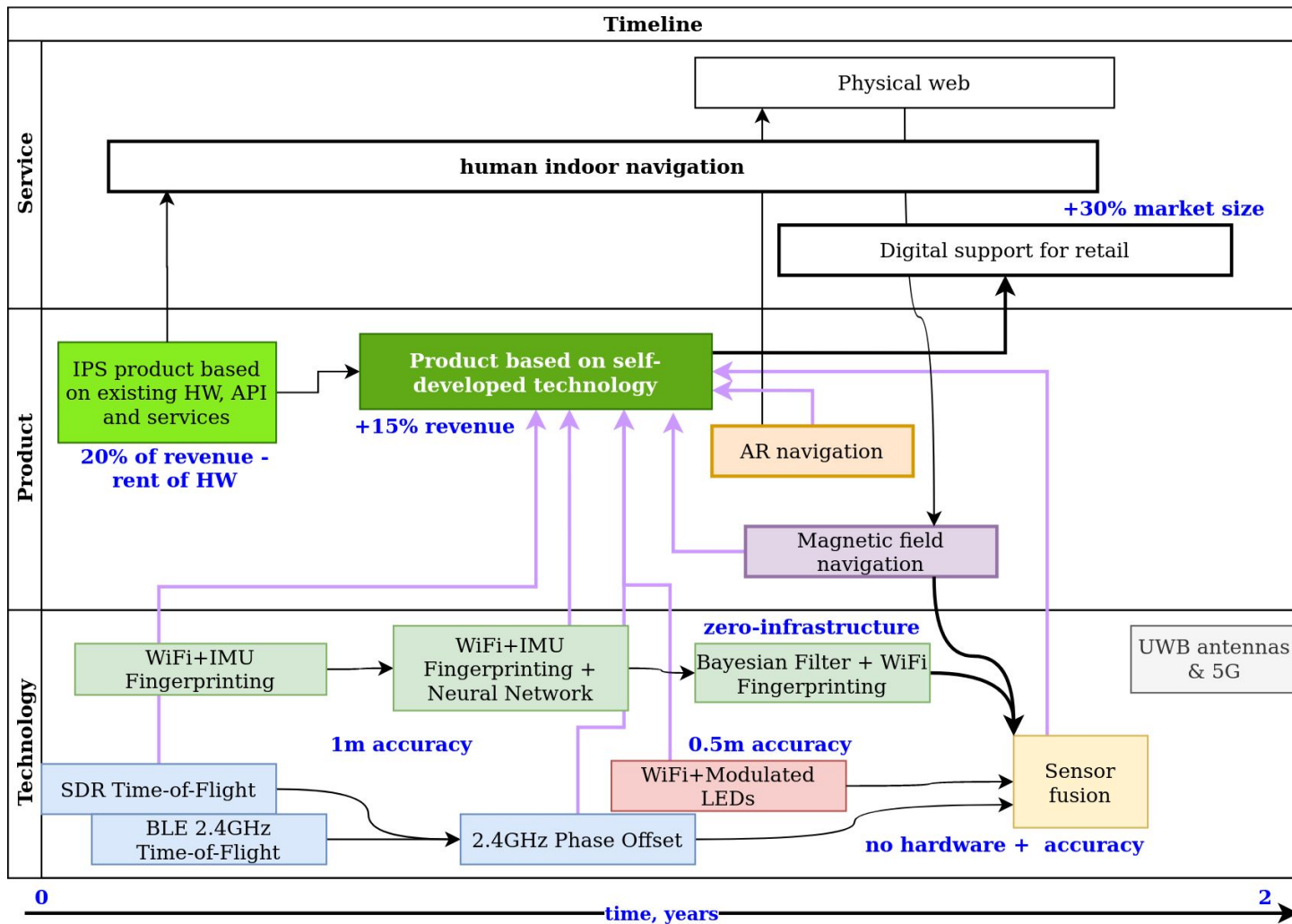


# Technology Strategy Vision

- Merge of indoor and outdoor positioning systems
- Privacy and security in IPS development
- Crowd-source mapping
- Zero-hardware systems
- "China Crisis Ebbs, But Tracking Apps Are Going Strong"- Chinese competitors
- Indoor Location of E911 Mobile Callers - USA market
- Physical web - IOT, connected devices, IPS using existing infrastructure

Deliver the product in least **development time**, reach average **accuracy**.

# Timeline



# Intellectual Property

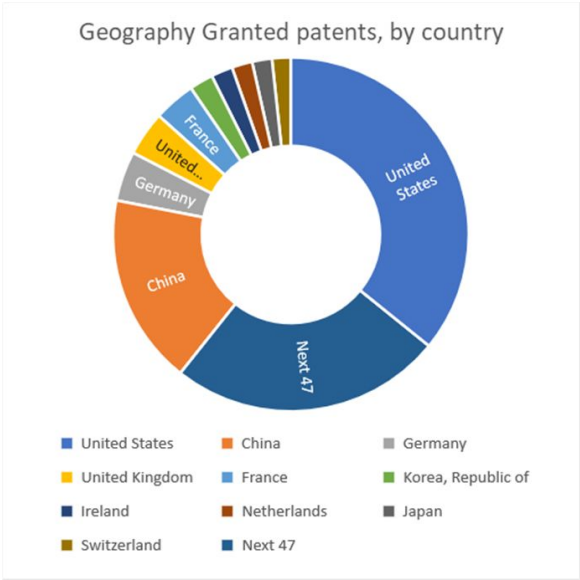
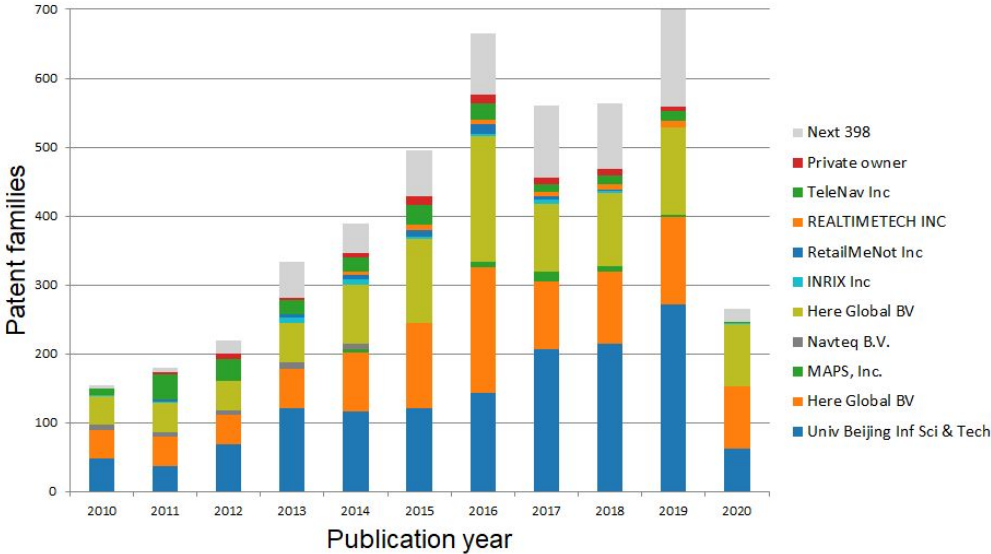
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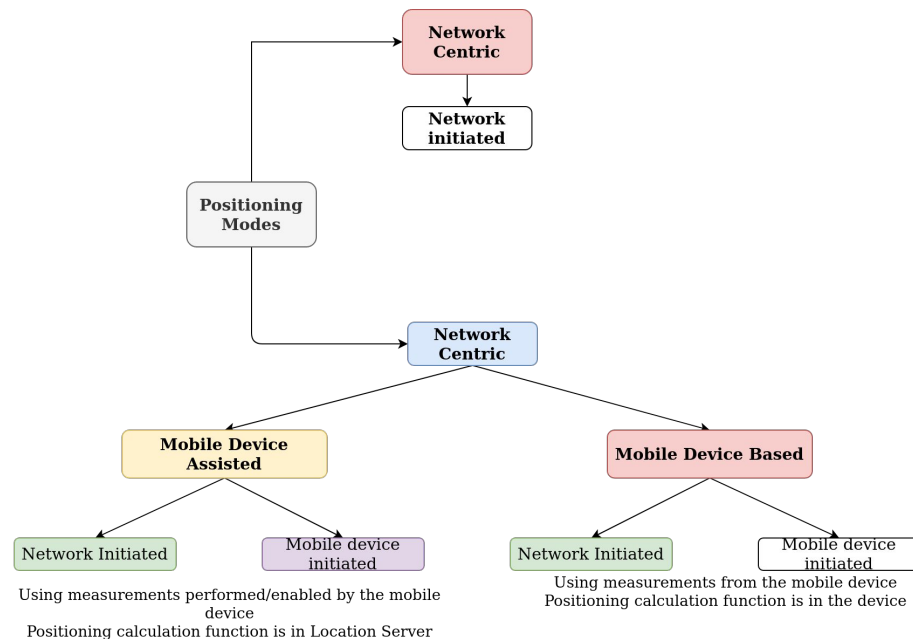
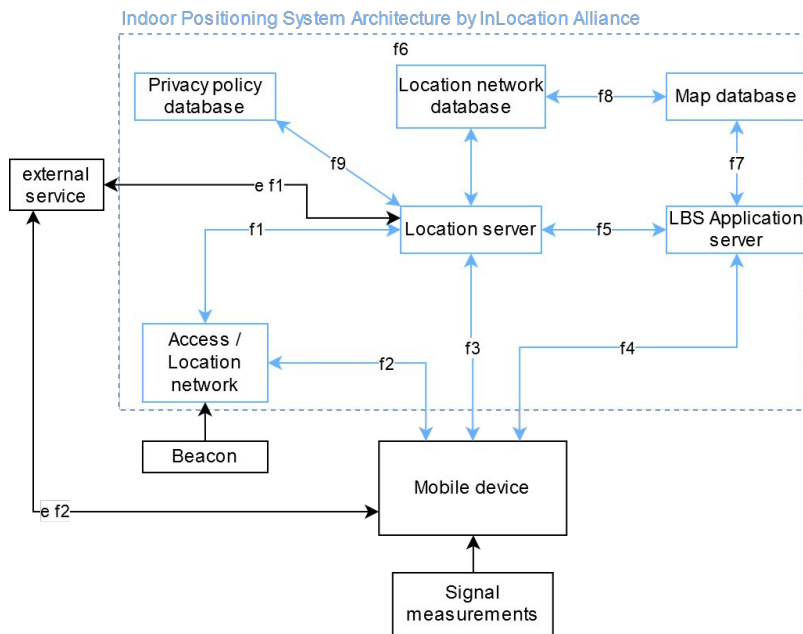
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indoor navigation	459	258	3	6	10	5	64	41	492	1597
Unrelated	568	778	32	27	27	31	124	0	42	2445
TOTAL	1027	1036	35	33	37	36	188	41	534	4042

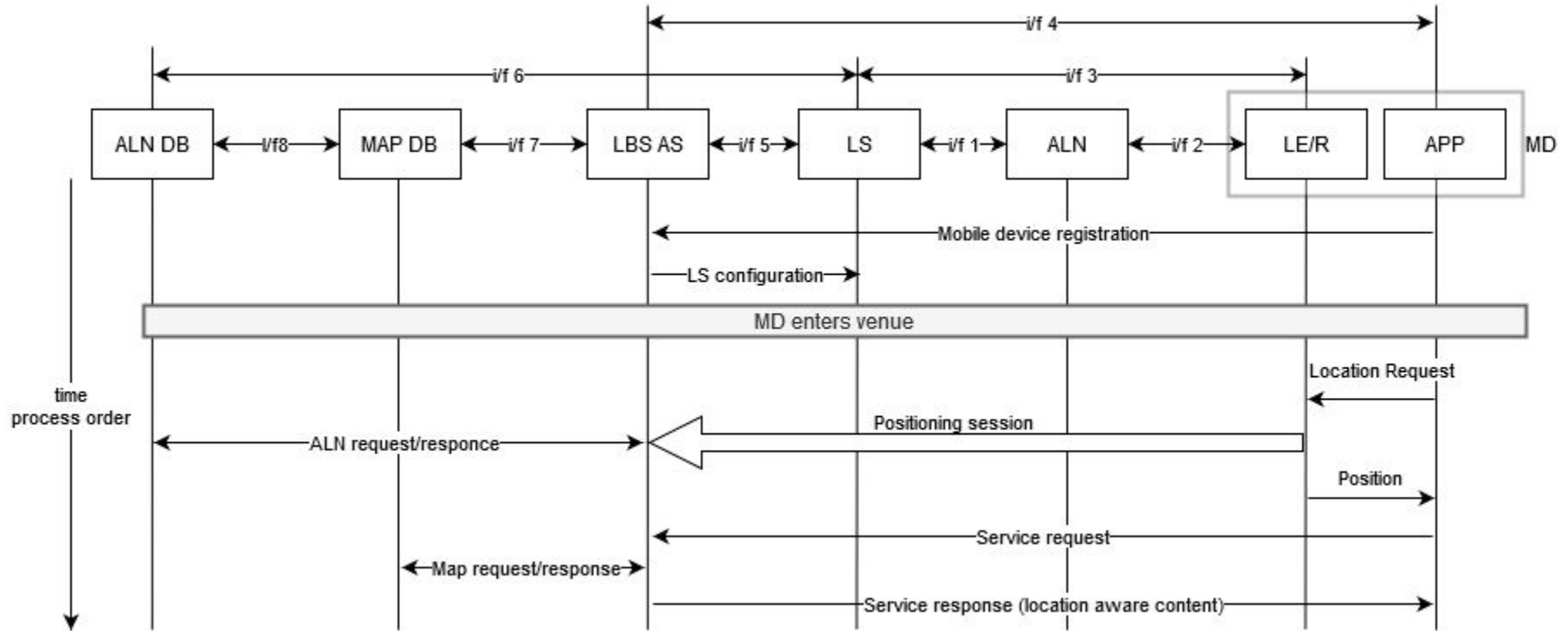
# System Architecture



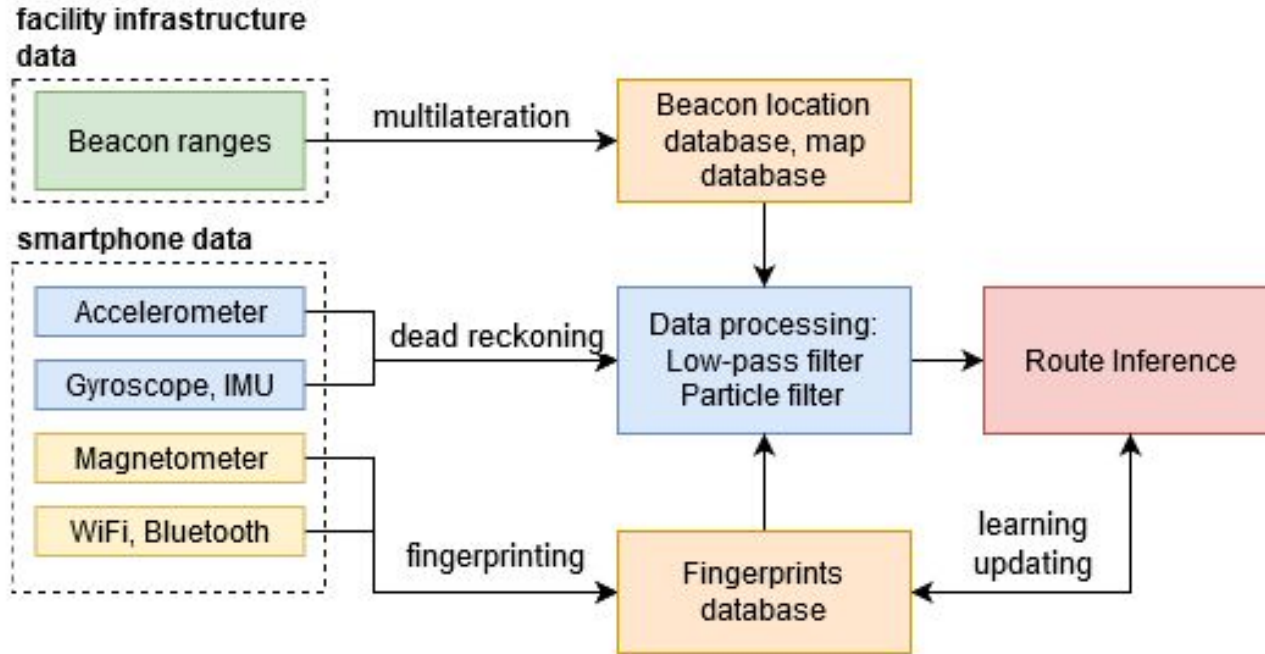
# System Architecture

- Server based systems can be provided by an external vendor - buying a service
- Server based systems are enough cost effective to be used (development of server platforms in 2020 is enough to not care about signal processing on the local devices)
- Mobile device based are harder in development and support
- Mobile device based systems may not require external server and can be run locally - stable work with no internet connection
- Once operating, mobile device based are cheaper, because no server support and rent needed - costs are on user side. Important for scalability (if one million of users will use system, some additional traffic management will be required)
- Emergency help services shall not depend on internet connection - broadcast systems, mobile device used as transmitter - mobile device initiated systems
- In some cases network initiated positioning can be useful. For example, if ultrasound waves are used for positioning, sound transmission will happen over short periods of time defined by network, this will reduce level of noise.

# Location aware content example by ILA

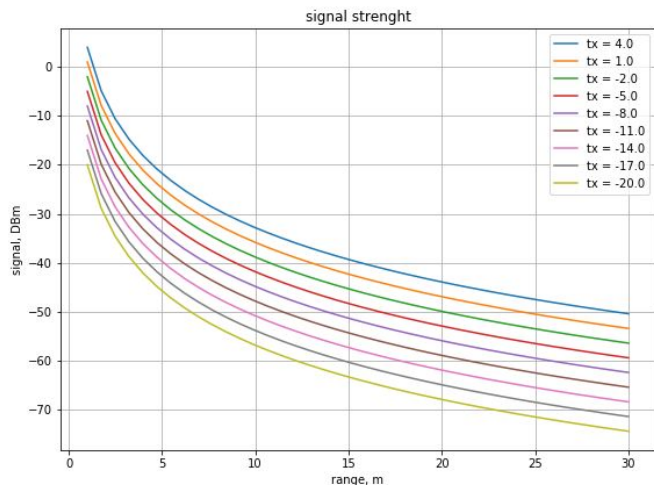


# System Architecture





# Technical feasibility



For BLE, we the normal conditions are as in figure above: with normal operating range of 30m, transmitter power in [4 DBm, -20 DBm] range, receiver sensitivity in range of -40 DBm, -60DBm.

Log-distance path loss model is formally expressed as:

$$PL = P_{Tx_{dBm}} - P_{Rx_{dBm}} = PL_0 + 10\gamma \log_{10} \frac{d}{d_0} + X_g,$$

where

P L is the total [path loss](#) measured in [Decibel](#) (dB)

The free-space path loss (FSPL) formula:

$$FSPL(dB) = 20 \log_{10}(d) + 20 \log_{10}(f) + 92.45$$

Bluetooth Specification	Bluetooth 4.0+
Frequency	2.402GHz - 2.480GHz
Transmit Power	4 to -20dBm With 9 Options
Receiver Sensitivity	-96dBm

Ready to Ship In Stock Fast Dispatch

BLE Beacon Bluetooth 5.0 Low Energy i China Manufacturer  
2 buyers

1 Pieces	2-49 Pieces
<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>\$10.50</b>

Supplier Type: Original manufacturer

OEM & ODM

Customization: Customized logo (Min. Orde Customized packaging (Mir

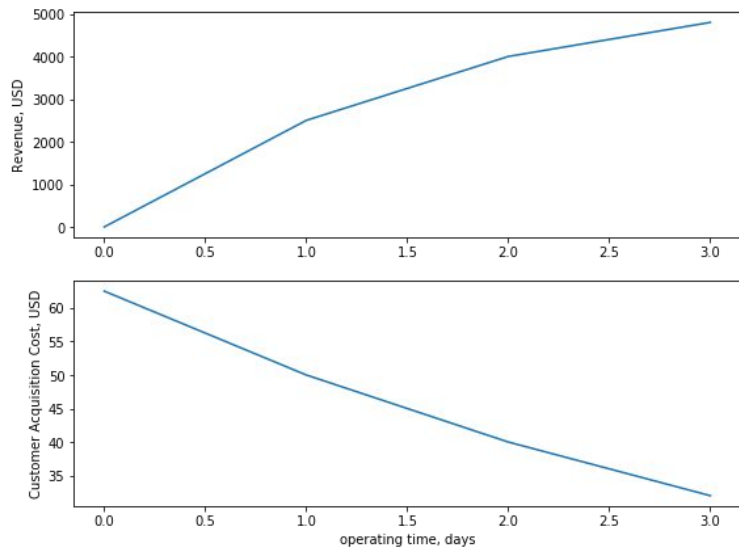
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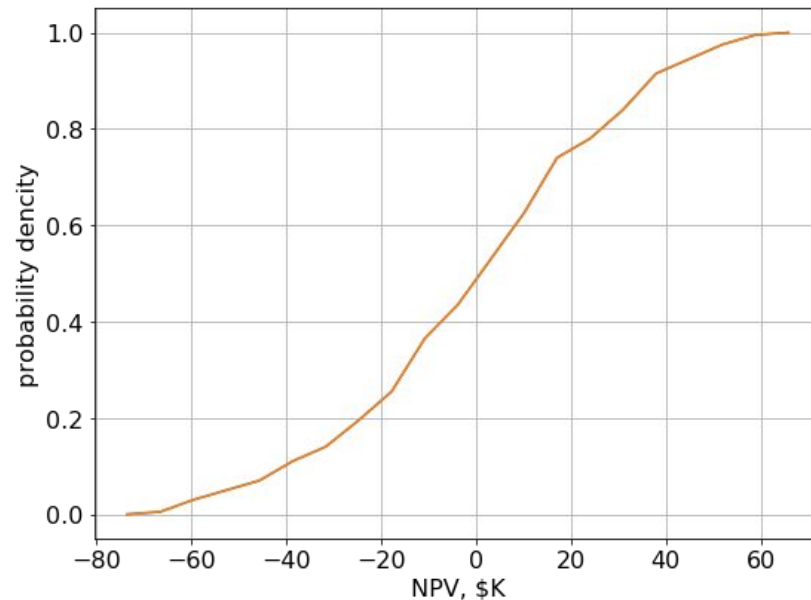
# Financial valuation

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	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2	q3	q4	q1	q2	q3	q4
MANAGEMENT												
wages	4	7	7	7	14	14	18	18	18	18	18	18
office			1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
ENGINEERING												
system programming	0	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5
web platform	0	3	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	5	5	5
hardware implementation	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5
DRM	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
INTEGRATION AND SUPPORT												
fees							2	2	3	3	3	3
maintenance	0	0	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6	6	6
modifications	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4
MARKETING												
conferences	4	4	4	4	12	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
trials	0	5	5	6	8	10	15	22	31	44	63	90
web	1	1	3	3	3	3	5	5	7	7	7	7
COSTS	-10	-22	-36	-40	-62	-60	-77	-84	-96	-110	-129	-156
SALES		10	20	30	30	50	80	90	105	128	164	217
FREE CASH FLOW	-10	-12	-16	-10	-32	-10	103	6	9	18	35	61
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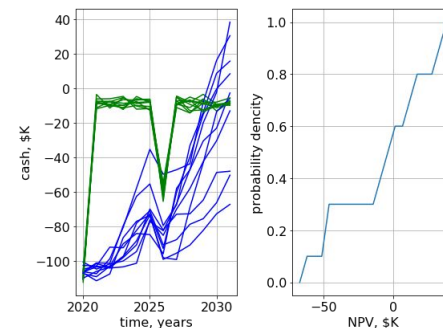
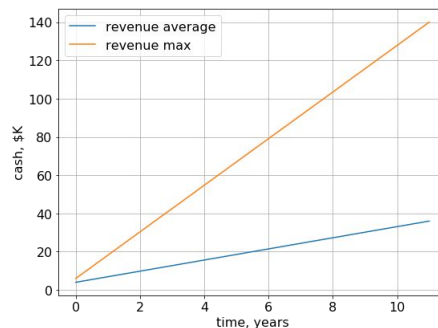
# Financial valuation



Customer acquisition cost diagram



Value at risk gain curve



# Positioning

IndoorAtlas	Android or iOS SDK, MapCreator2 for Android mobile application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geomagnetic fingerprint maps</li> <li>• Pedestrian Dead Reckoning with gyroscope and accelerometer (IMU sensors)</li> <li>• Wi-Fi signals</li> <li>• Bluetooth beacons</li> <li>• Barometric height information</li> </ul>
Navigine	Mobile app on iOS/Android, web-interface/API	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BLE</li> <li>• Wi-Fi</li> <li>• UWB</li> </ul>
Indoo.rs	SDK-free Indoor Positioning with the Location Based Engine- based on REST-API	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• iBeacons</li> <li>• Sensor Fusion</li> <li>• SLAM Engine™ technology</li> </ul>
WRLD	Android SDK and iOS SDK and API	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bluetooth beacons</li> <li>• receiver antenna arrays</li> <li>• WiFi</li> <li>• short-range radio Ultra Wideband</li> </ul>
INFSOft	The SDK is available for android and iOS as an HTML5 plugin. Also they use of frameworks such as PhoneGap or Xamarin is possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wifi</li> <li>• BLE Beacons</li> <li>• UWB</li> <li>• RFID</li> <li>• camera systems</li> </ul>



# Validation

The tech background is validated by comparison of scientific publications and analysis of the existing solutions.

The business model was sequentially developed to satisfy four fits model.

Expert validation. (IndoorAtlas expert interview, customer interview)

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# Conclusions & Lessons Learnt from TPR:F/TPR:A

The indoor navigation product strategy tool is in development now.

It was proven to be viable by customer discovery process and by revenue model & calculation.

However in order to succeed this idea requires:

- to be accurate - proved to be possible but requires lot of engineering
- to be convenient - depends on the way of realization and would require continuous improvements
- the acceptance of the market segment, which shall be accurately chosen
- complexity of either software or hardware

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