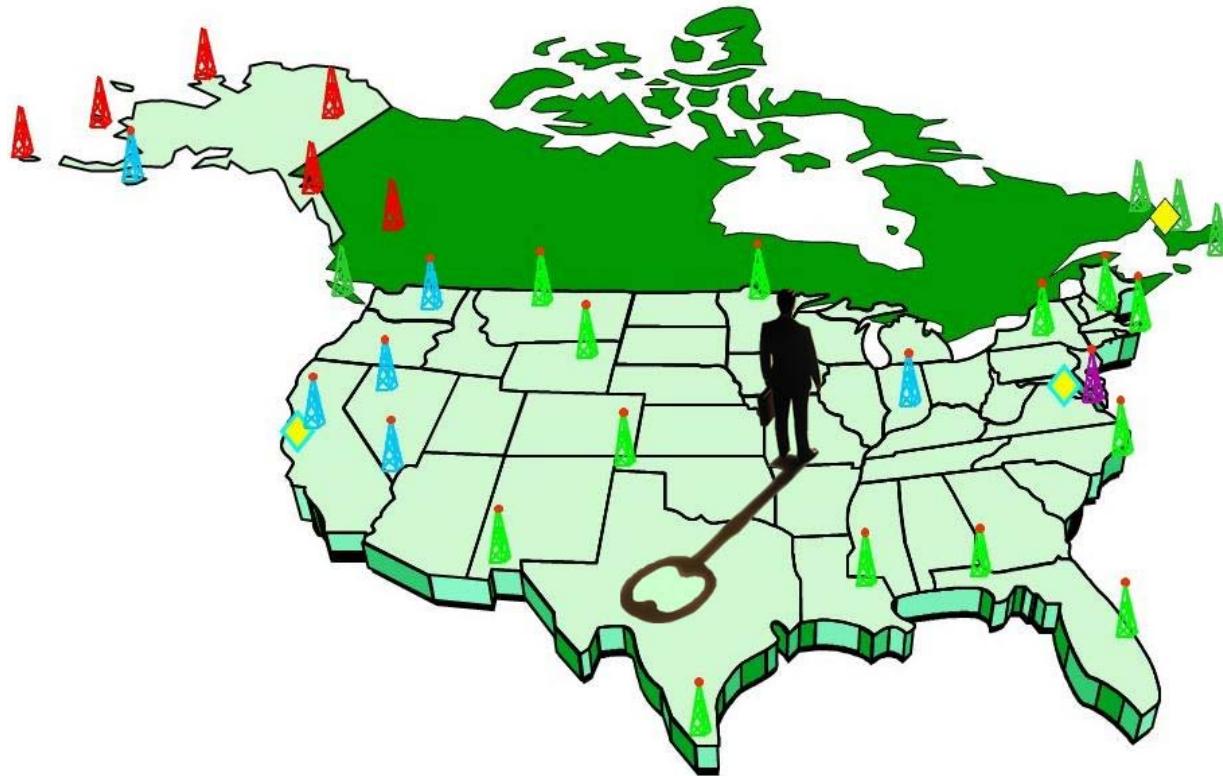


# Geoencryption Using Loran



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# Why Geoencryption?



Unsecure world

- Data/Information security
- Piracy concern



Traditional cryptosystems have inconveniences or weaknesses

- Something you know: PIN, passwords
- Something you have: key, smart card
- Something you are: biometrics

# Location for Security

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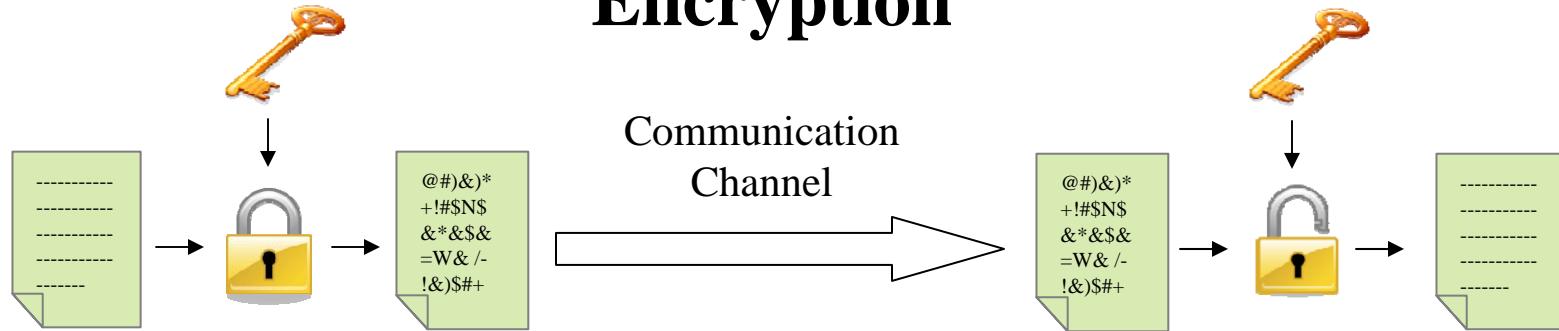


- Universality
  - Do all people have it?
- Collectability
  - How well can an identifier be captured or quantified?
- Circumvention
  - foolproof
- Uniqueness
  - Can people be distinguished based on an identifier?

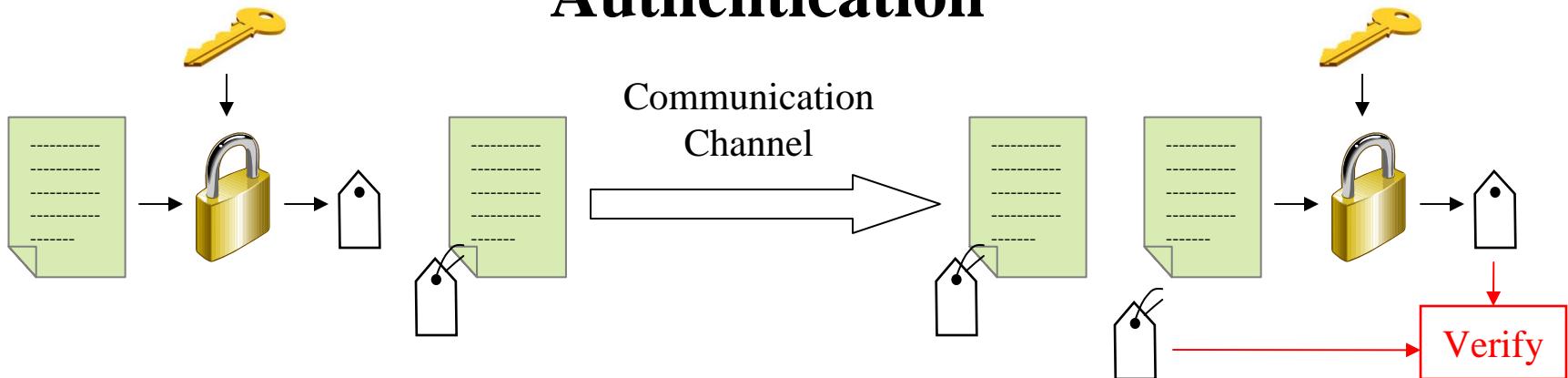
# Encryption and Authentication



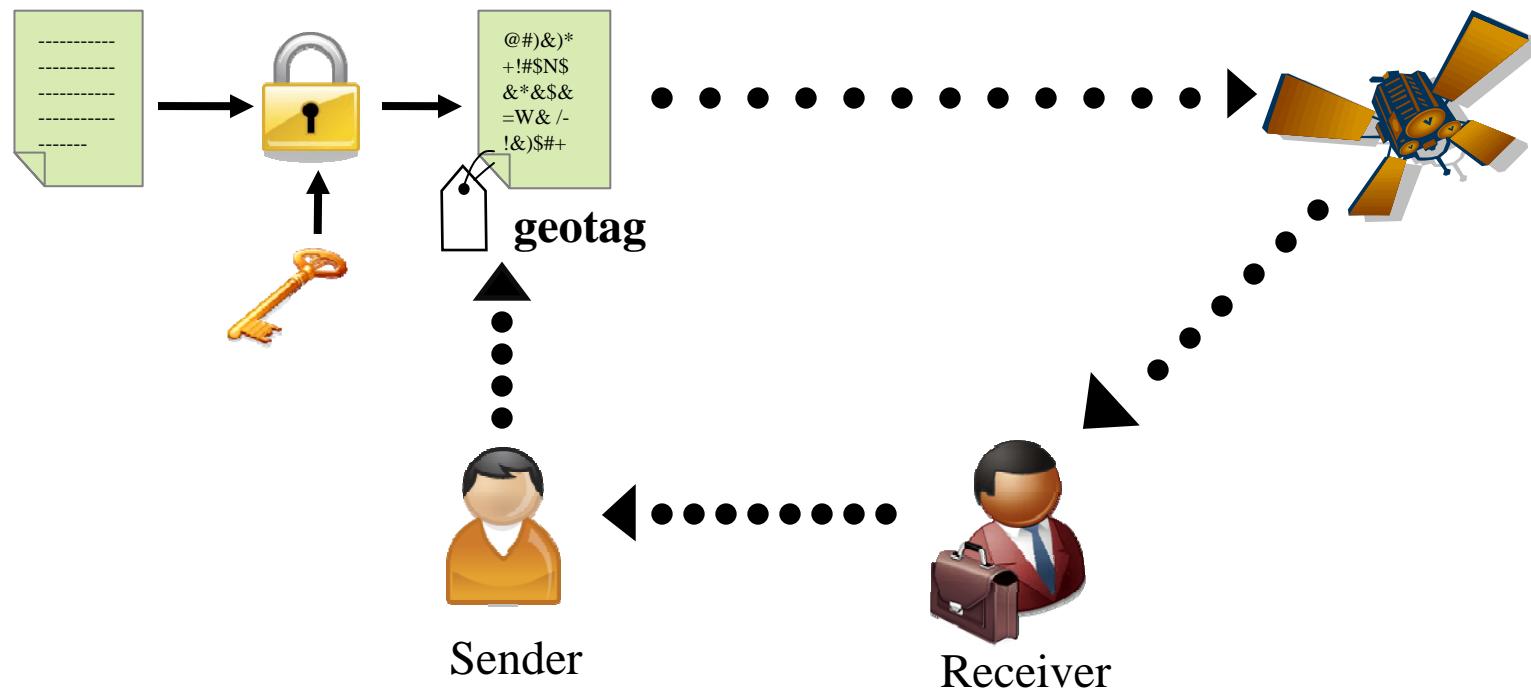
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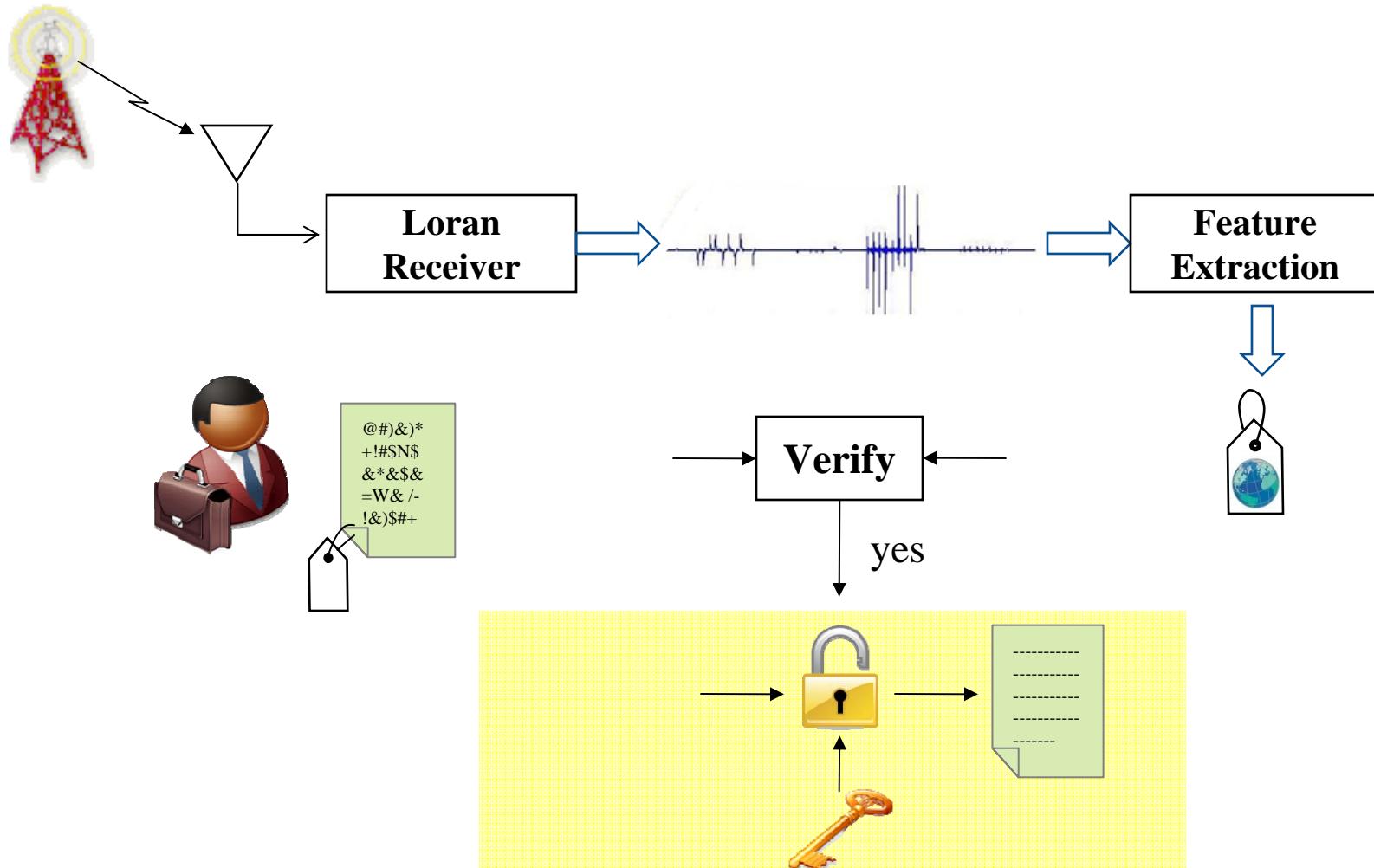
## Authentication



# Geoencryption



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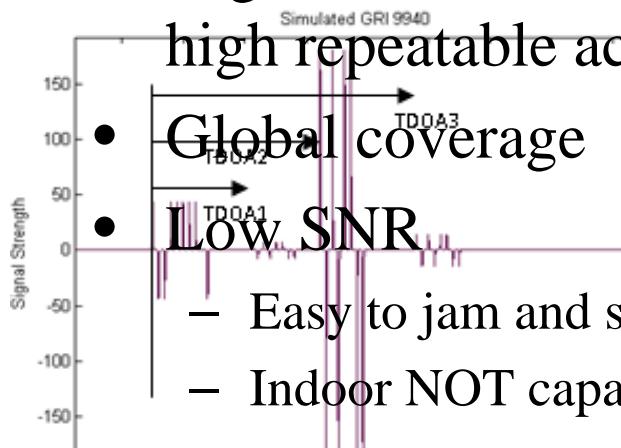


# Why Loran?



## GPS

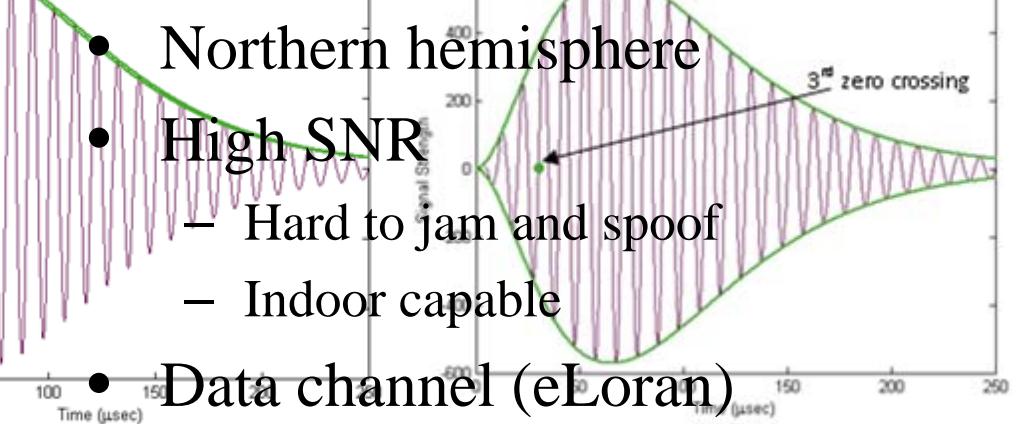
- Non-stationary satellites
- High absolute accuracy, high repeatable accuracy



- Data

## Loran

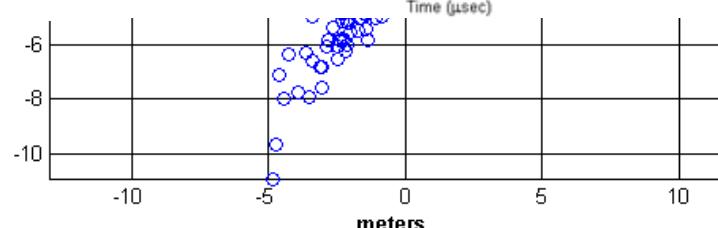
- Stationary transmitters
- Low absolute accuracy, high repeatable accuracy



- Northern hemisphere
- High SNR

- Hard to jam and spoof
- Indoor capable

- Data channel (eLoran)



# Security Analysis Outline



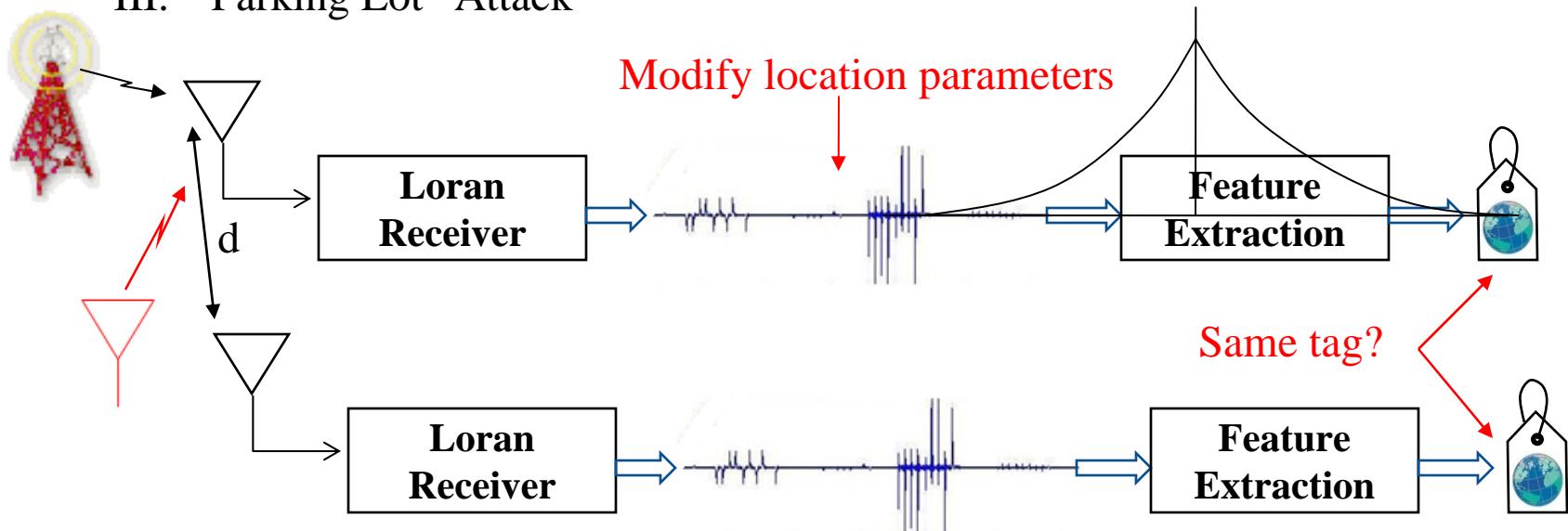
## Security

### *Vulnerabilities of Protocol/Implementation*

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
- III. “Parking Lot” Attack

### *Tag Size*

- IV. Spatial decorrelation

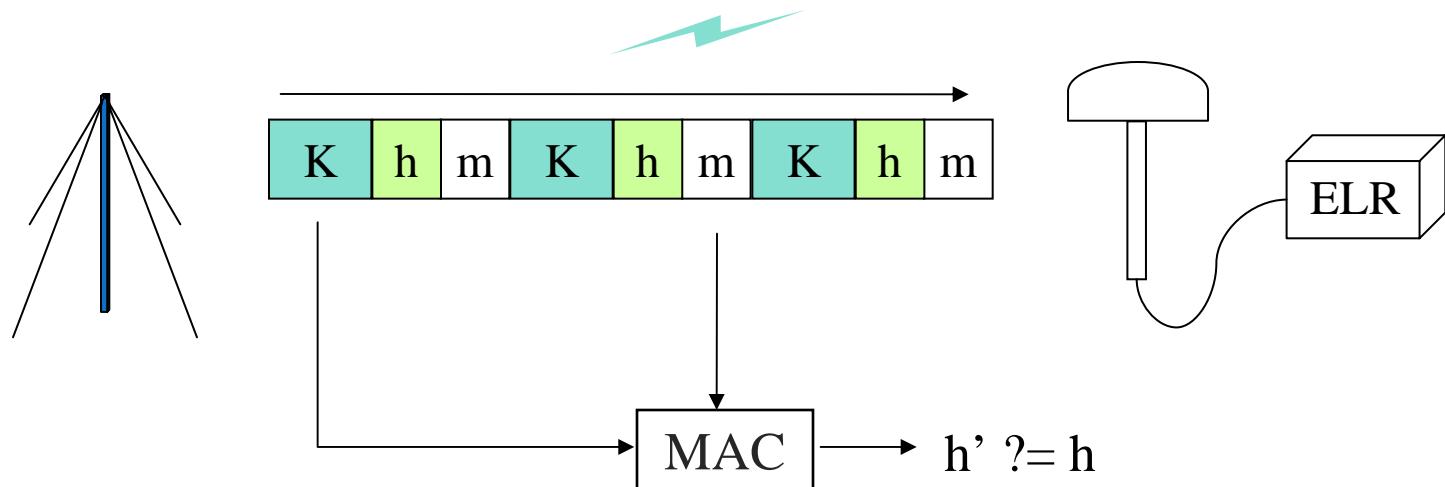


# Signal Authentication

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.



- ❑ TESLA – Timed Efficient Stream Loss-tolerant Authentication
- ❑ Authenticating message = key (K) + tag (h)
- ❑ Tag = MAC (Data, Key)

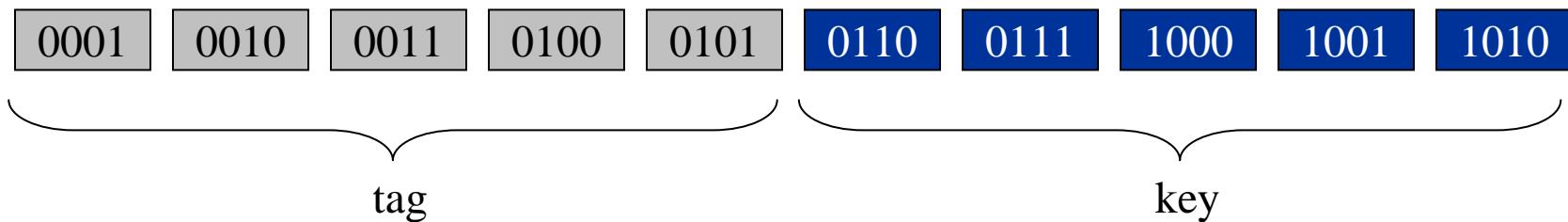


# Authentication Test

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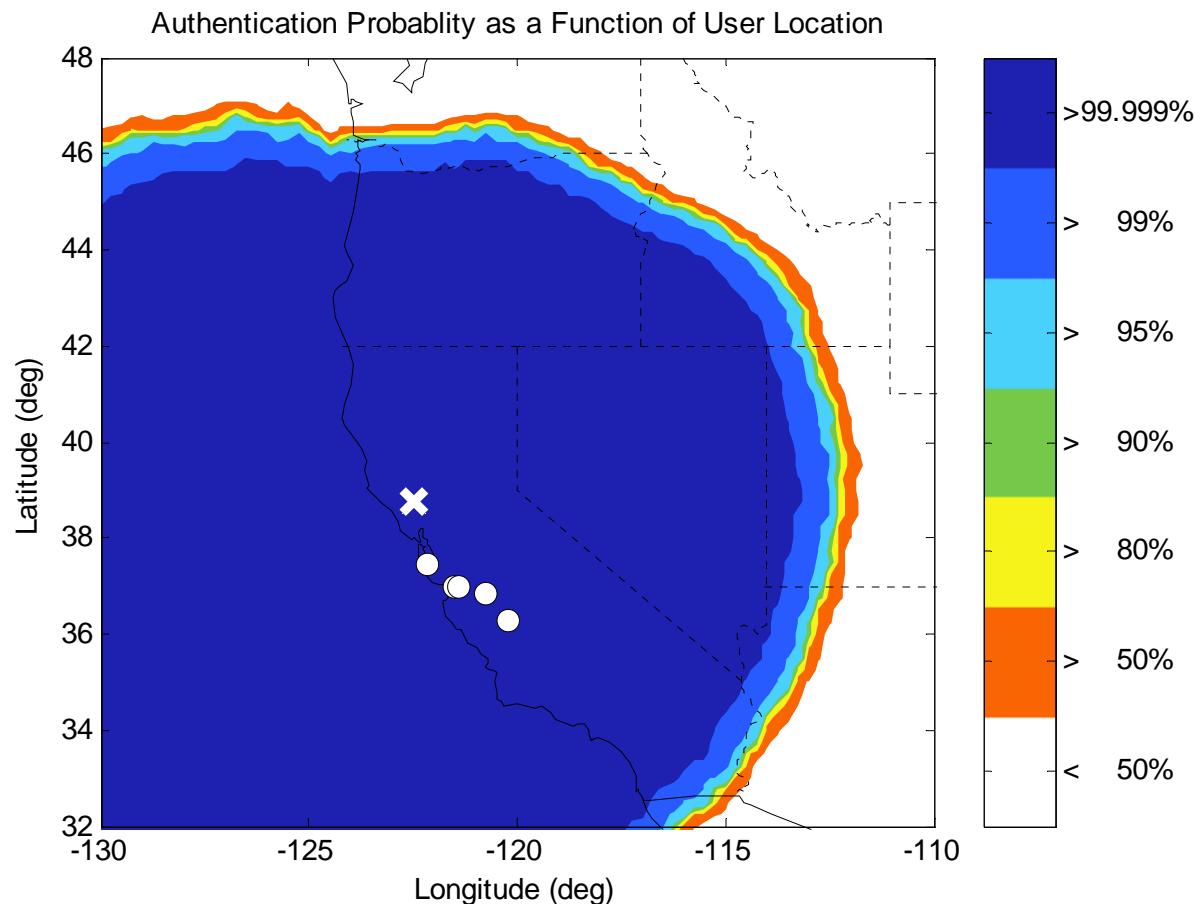


- Middletown
- Circular TESLA chain
- 50% Bandwidth
- Message subtypes
  - Type 1-4 (0001-0100): first 148 bits of the tag
  - Type 5 (0101): last 12 bits of tag,
  - Type 6-9 (0110-1001): first 148 bits of key
  - Type 10 (1010): last 12 bits of key



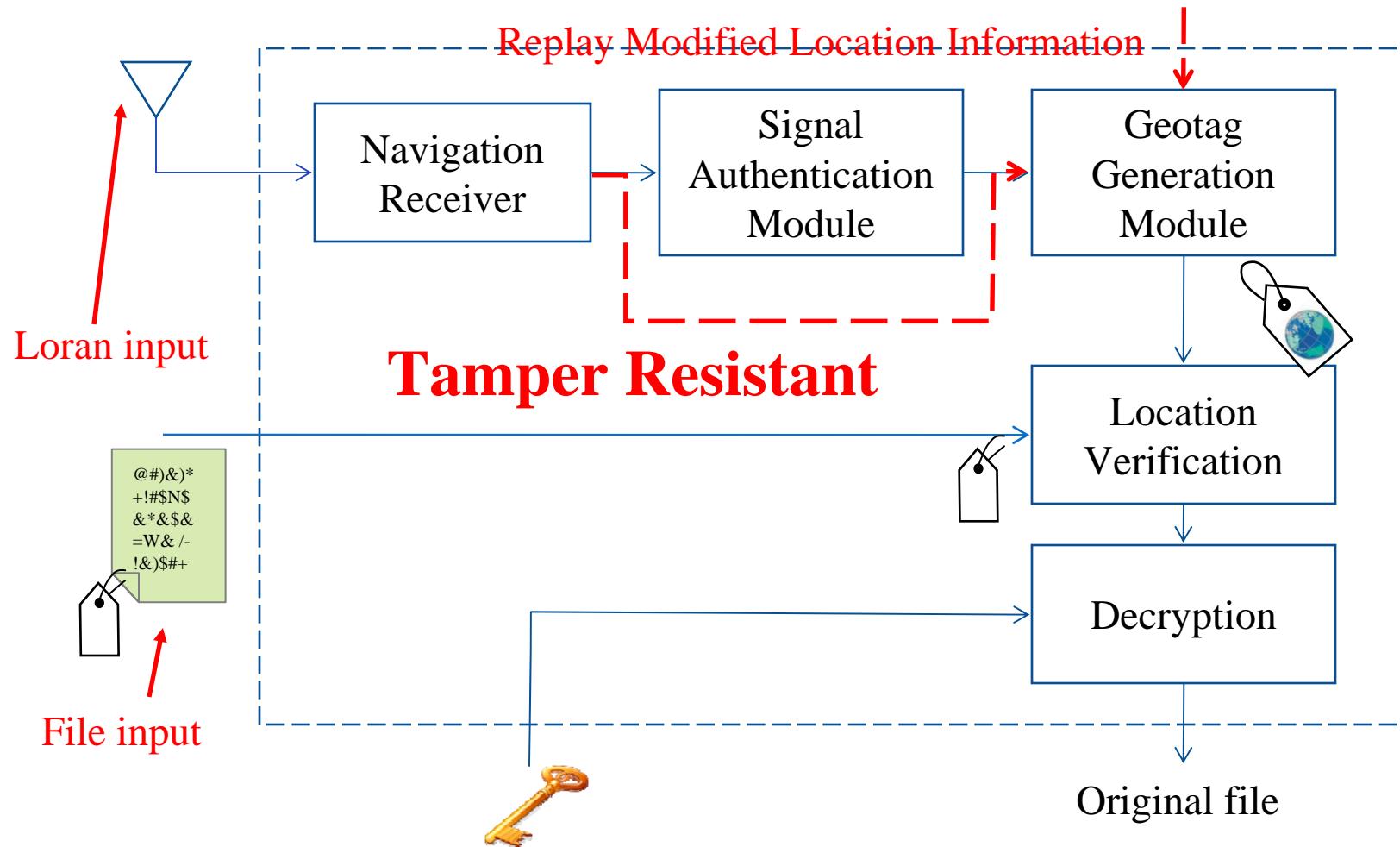
# Authentication Test Result

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- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.



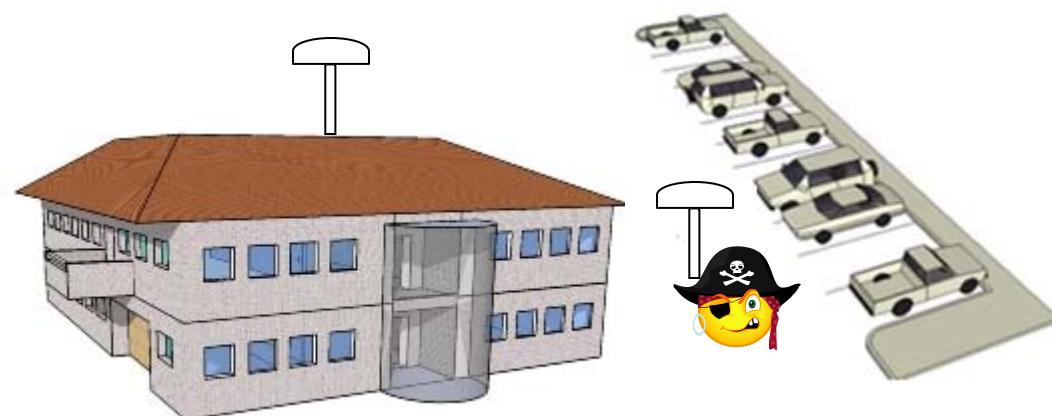
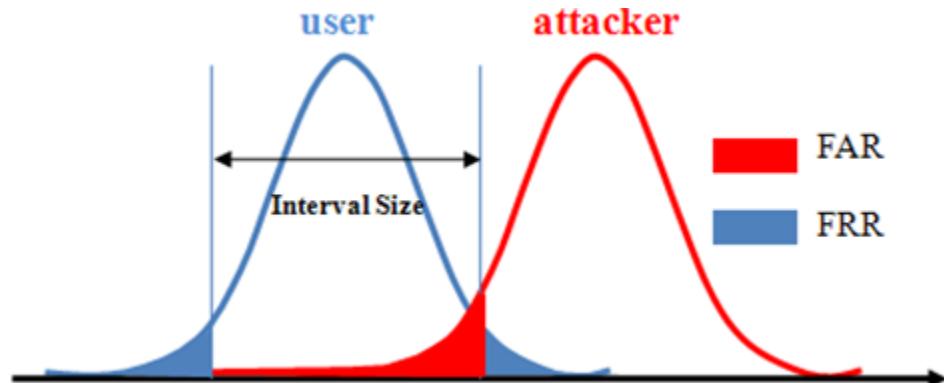
# Loran Certified Receiver

- I. Spoof
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- IV. Spatial decorr.



# Parking Lot Attack

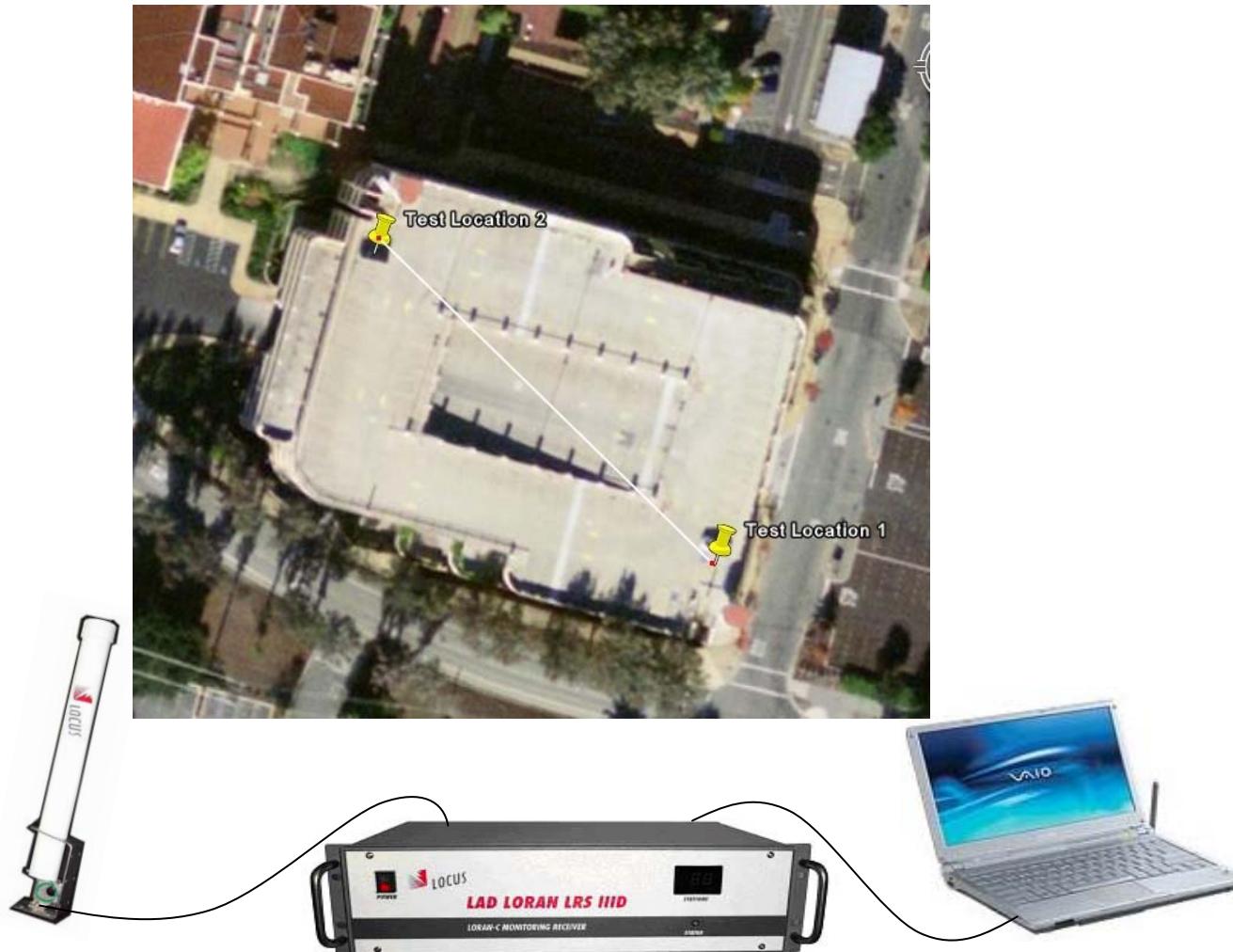
- I. Spoof
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- III. Parking lot
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- False Accept Rate (FAR): % of unauthorized persons accepted in error
- False Reject Rate (FRR): % of authorized persons who are incorrectly denied acceptance
- Trade off between FAR and FRR

# Data Collection

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.

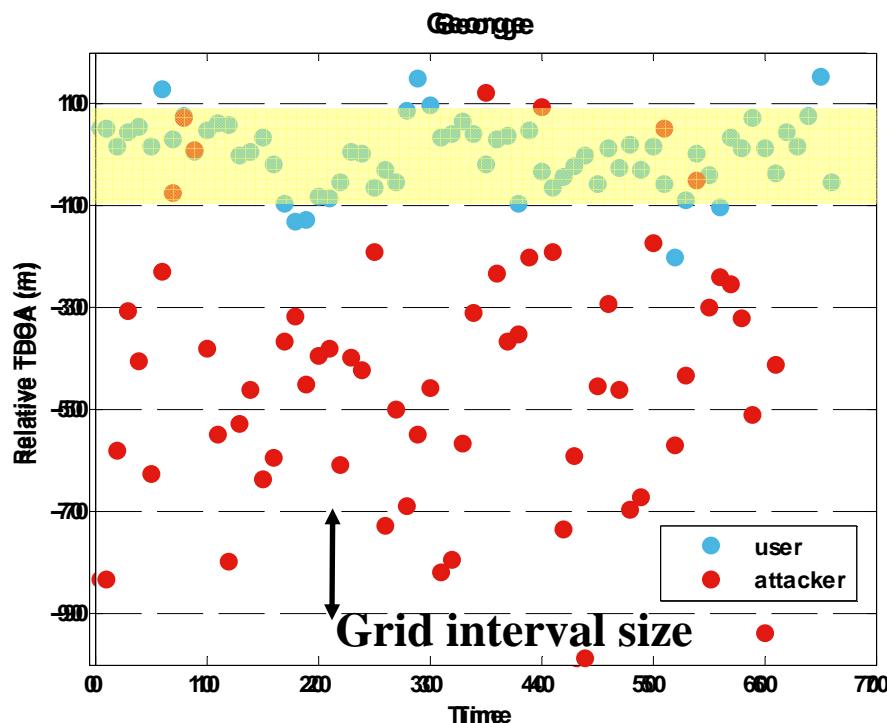


# FAR & FRR Estimation

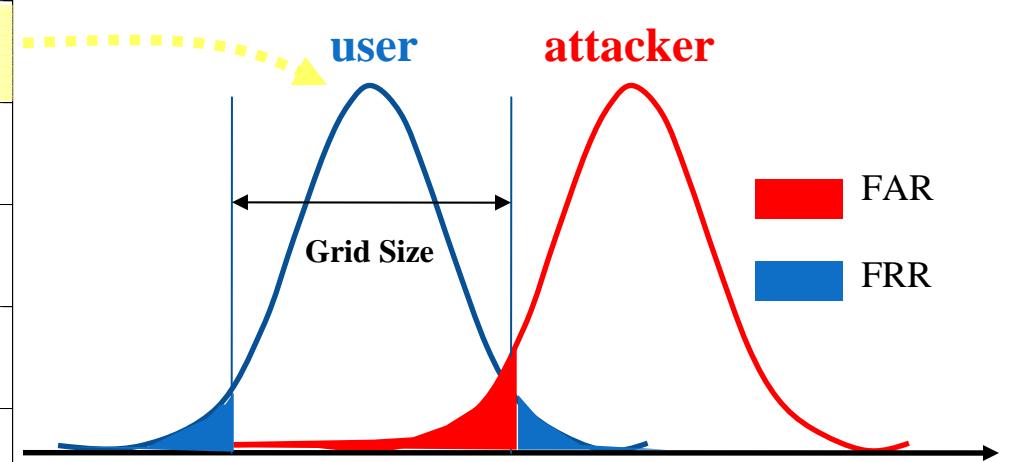
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## Experimental Analysis



## Analytic Analysis

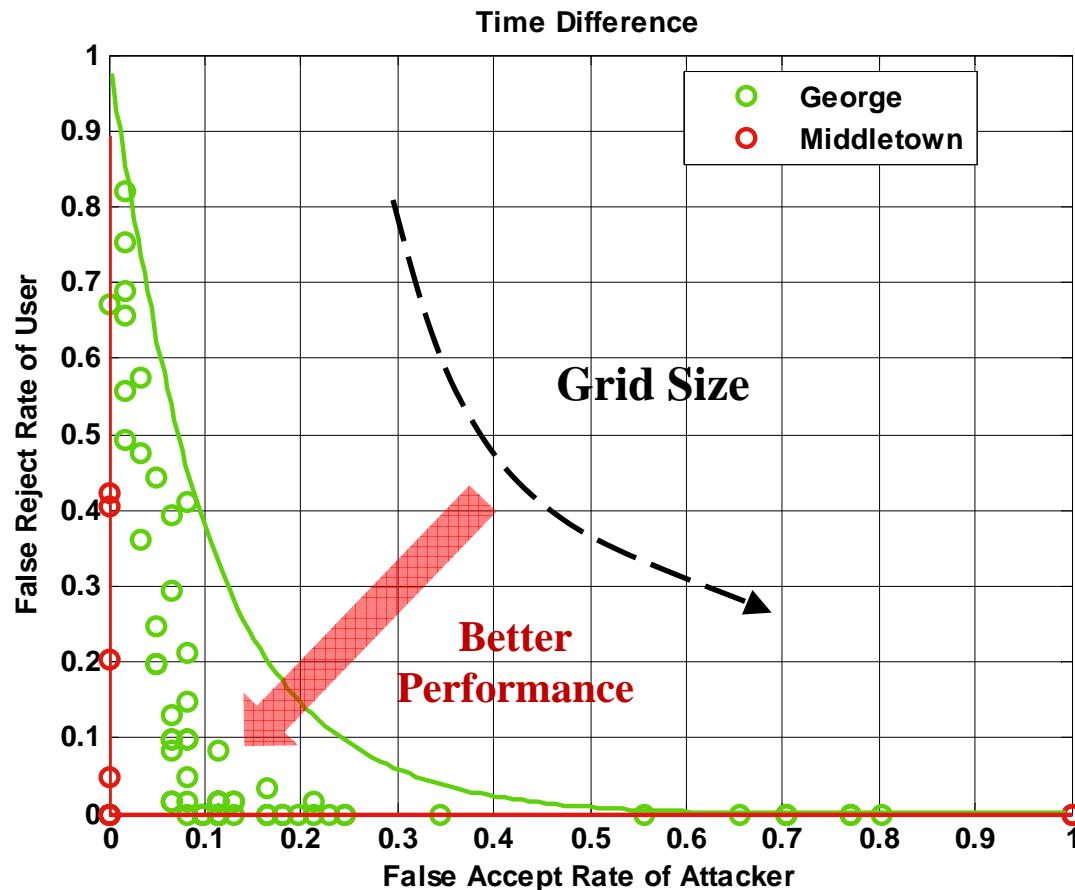


$$\text{FAR} = Q(\text{interval size}, \sigma, \text{distance})$$

$$\text{FRR} = Q(\text{interval size}, \sigma)$$

# Receiver Operating Curve

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.

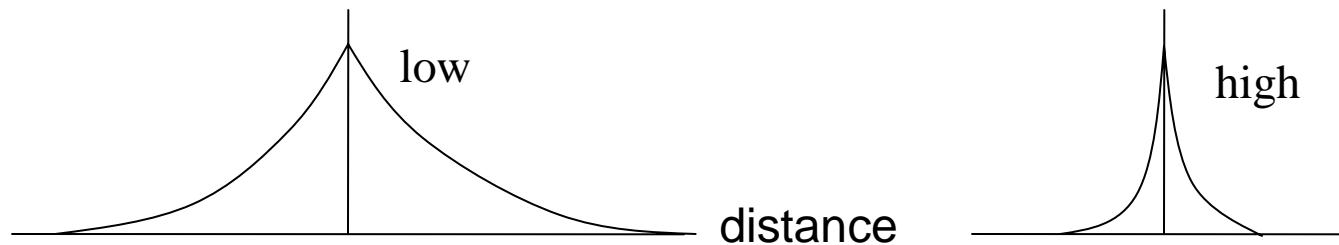


# Spatial Decorrelation

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
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- IV. Spatial decorr.



- High spatial decorrelation is preferred.



- Evaluation functions
  - Distance measure
  - Error rates measure - FAR
  - Information measure - relative entropy  $D(p||q)$
  - Dependence measure - correlation coefficient

# Test Locations

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- II. Replay
- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.



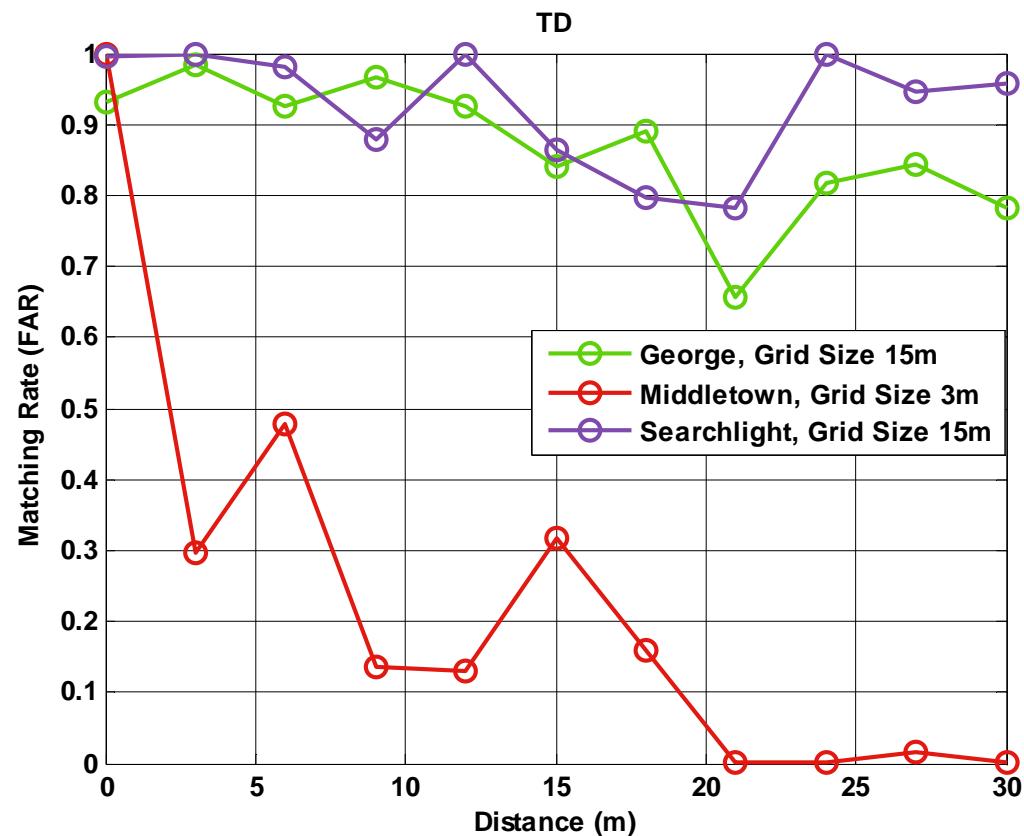
# False Accept Rate

## - Different Stations

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
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Station	SNR (dB)
Fallon	21
George	6
Middletown	32
Searchlight	8

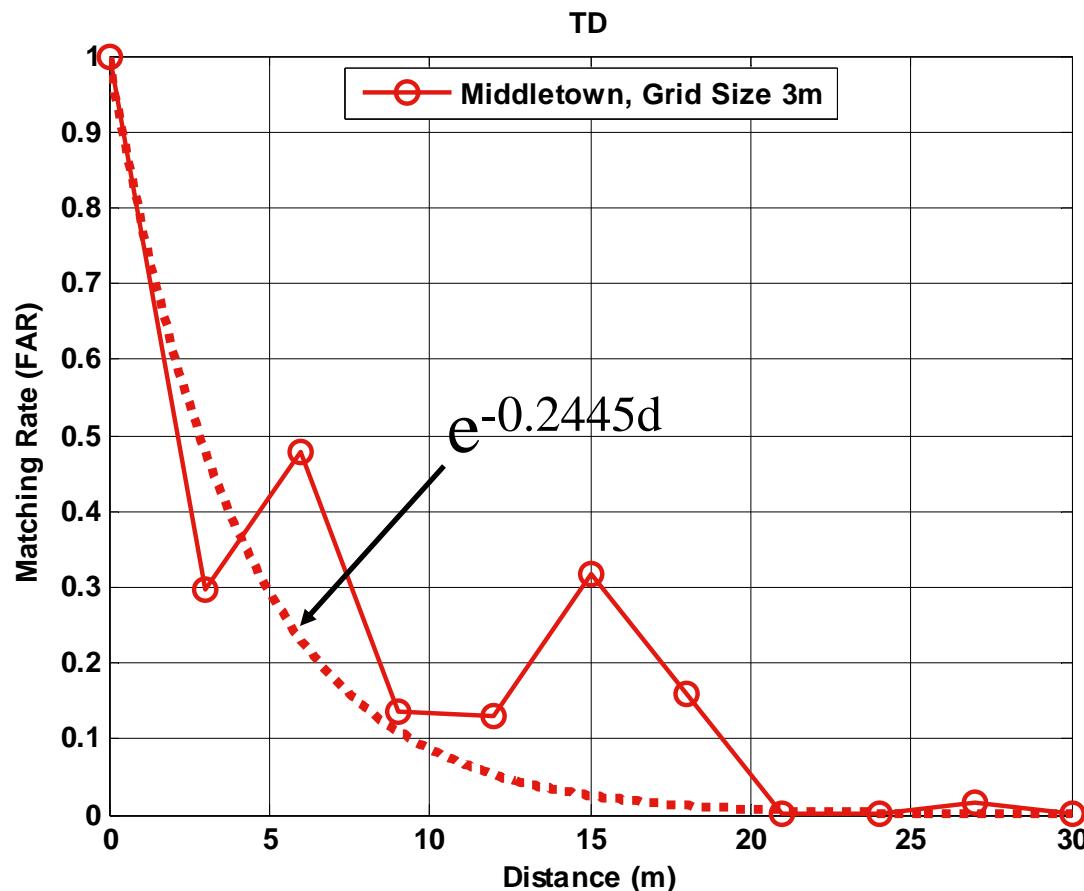


High SNR results in high spatial decorrelation.

# Decorrelation Distance

FAR < 0.01

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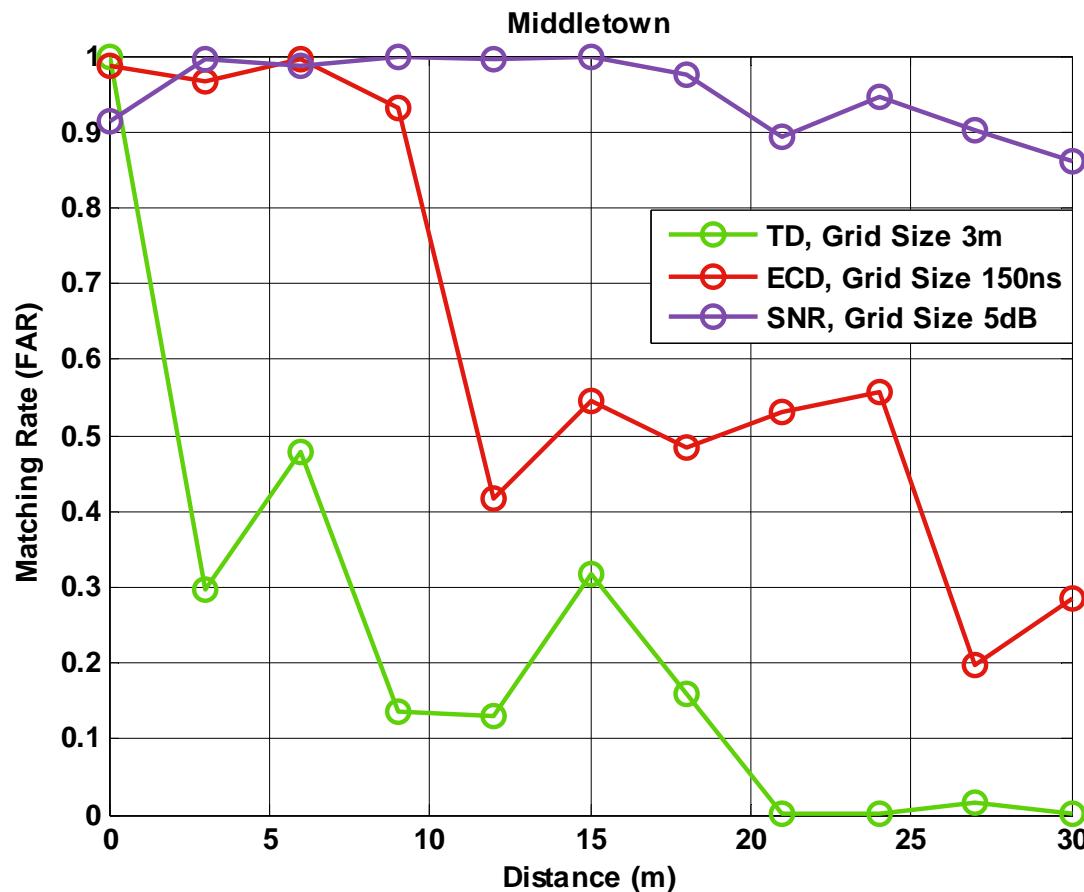


Decorrelation distance is 18 meters for Middletown.

# False Accept Rate

## - Different Location Parameters

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- IV. Spatial decorr.



TDOA/TOA > ECD > SNR

# Geotag Size

- I. Spoof
- II. Replay
- III. Parking lot
- IV. Spatial decorr.



- Information measure
  - Entropy
- Key/Geotag size
  - Station coverage
  - Information density
  - Spatial decorrelation

Parameter	Entropy (bits)
TDOA	15.5
ECD	6.0
SNR	4.3

**25.8 bits**

# Conclusion

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- Defeated vulnerabilities of geoencryption protocol and implementation
  - Signal authentication & certified receiver
- Spatial decorrelation of Loran location parameters
  - Geotag size from Middletown is 26 bits
  - At least  $2^{26}$  trials of different locations to break it
- How to increase geotag size?
  - Look into more parameters
  - Fuzzy extractor

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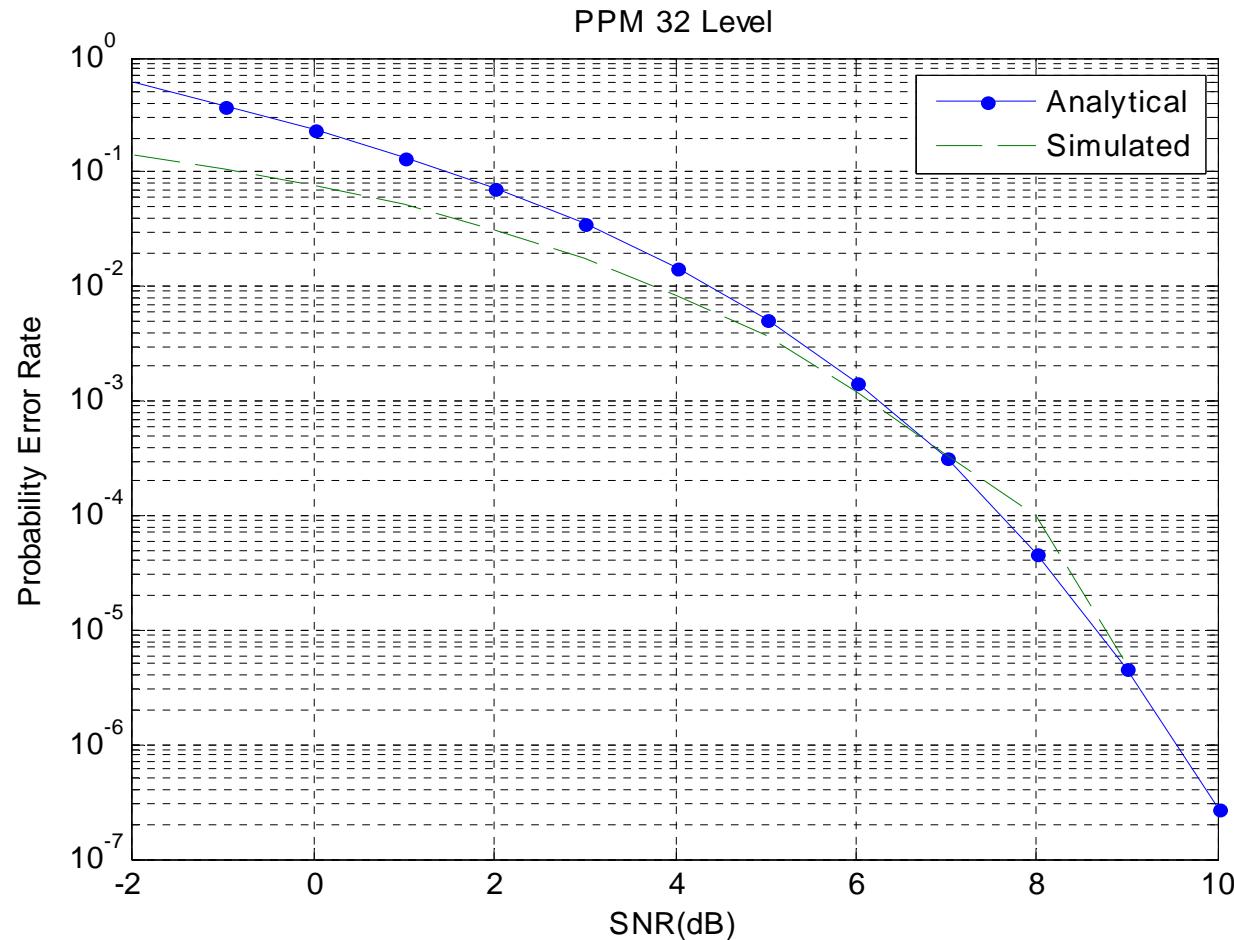


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# Backup Slides

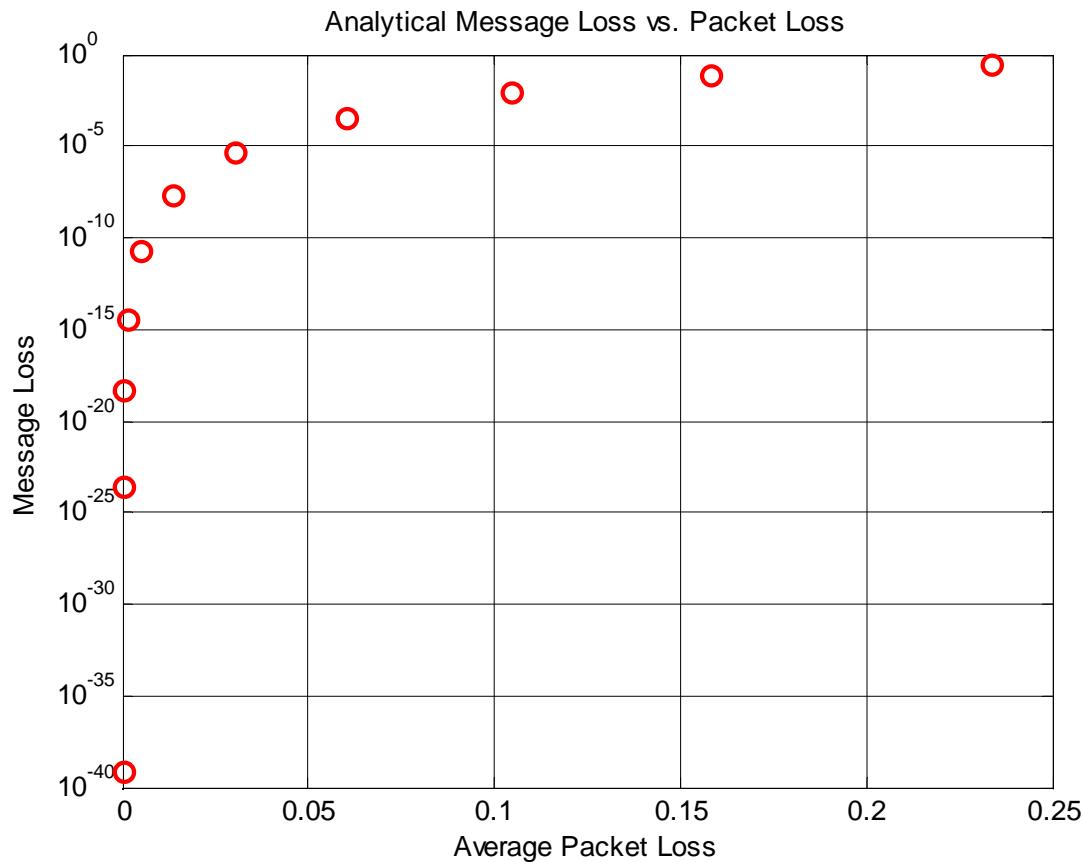
# Demodulation Performance

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# Message Loss

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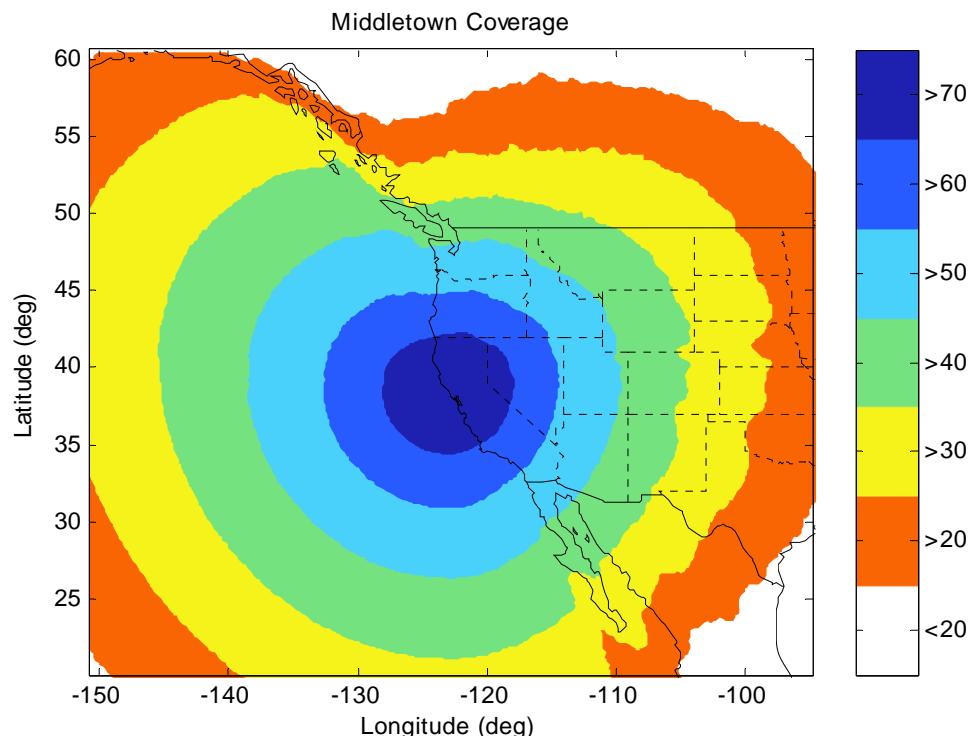
$$\Pr(\text{error / decoder\_failure}) = \sum_{j=t+1}^n \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j}$$

# Authentication Performance

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## SNR



## Bandwidth

TESLA Segment

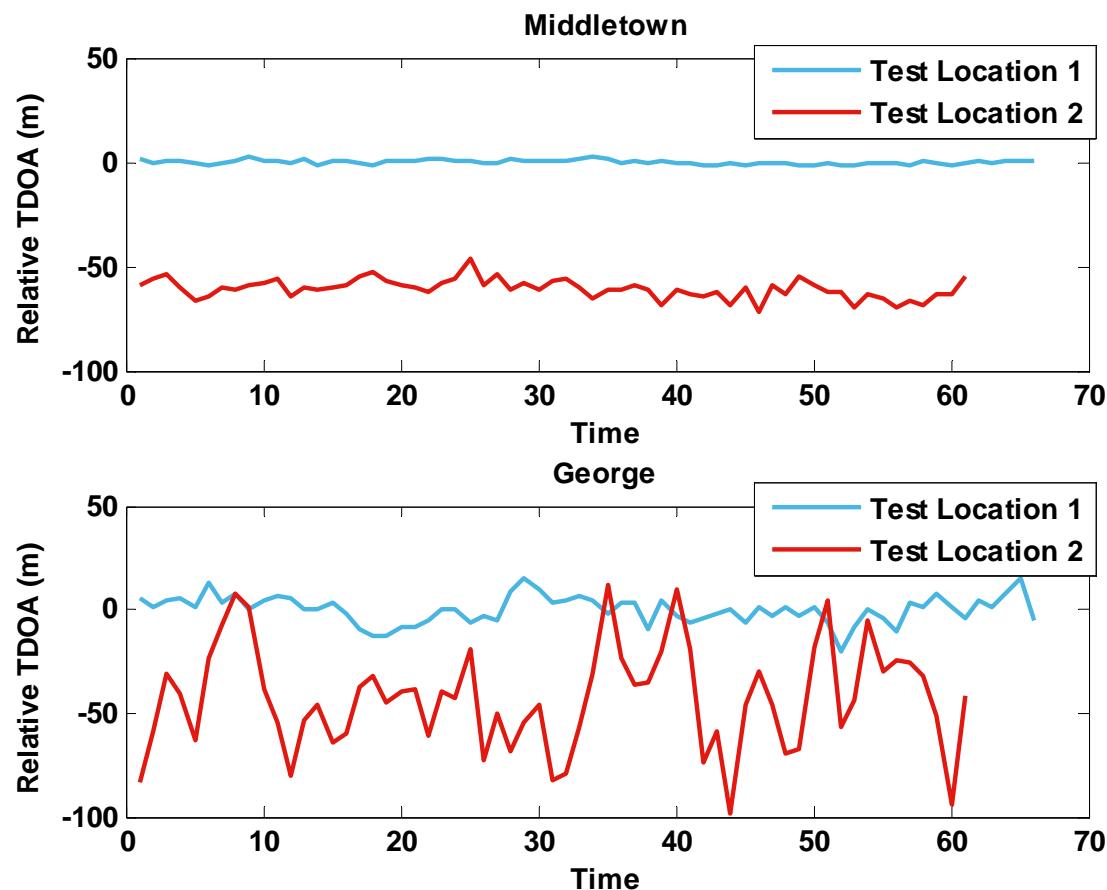
Data Authentication (320 bits)

$320/37 \rightarrow 9$  Loran messages  
 $50\% \text{ BW} \rightarrow 18$  Loran messages

Authentication probability is proportional to SNR & BW.

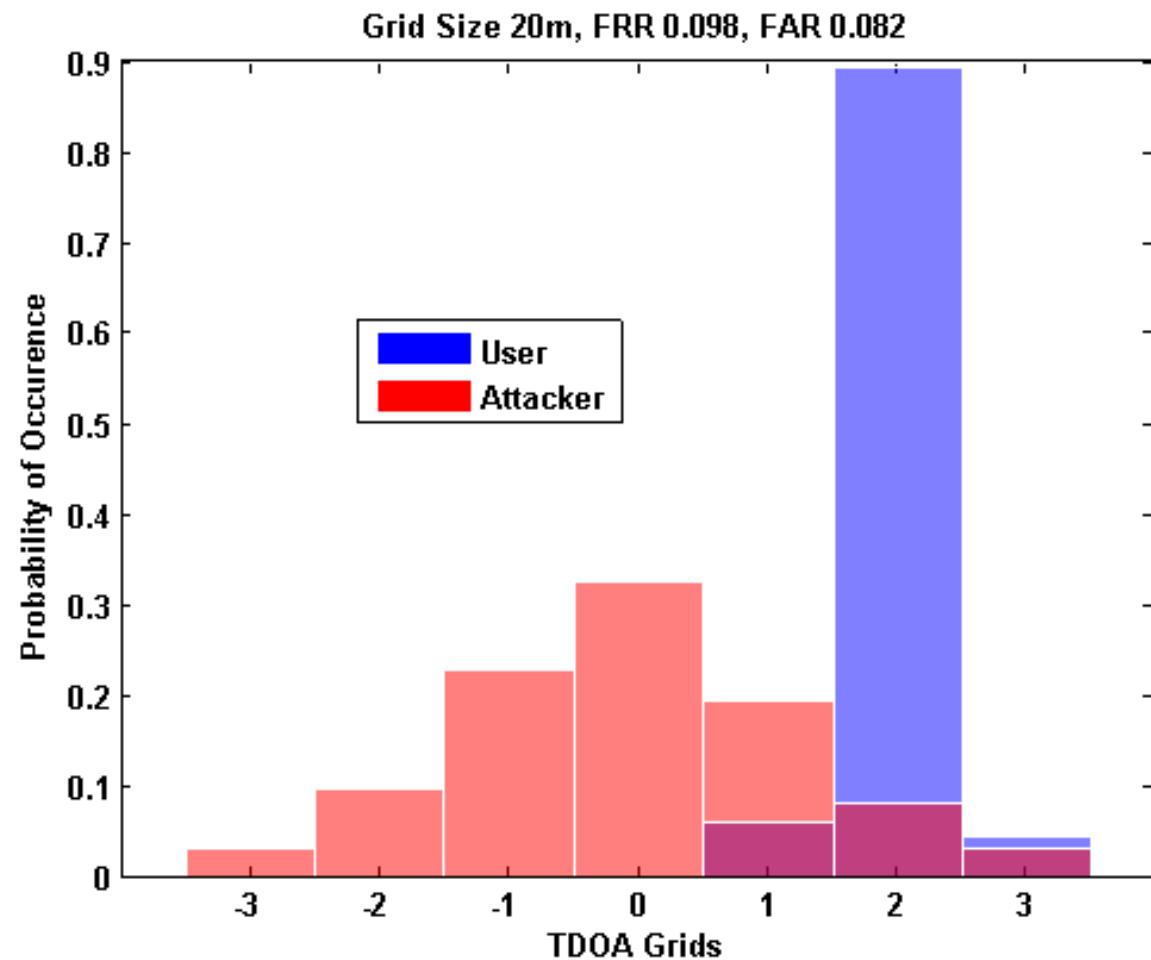
# TDOA Data

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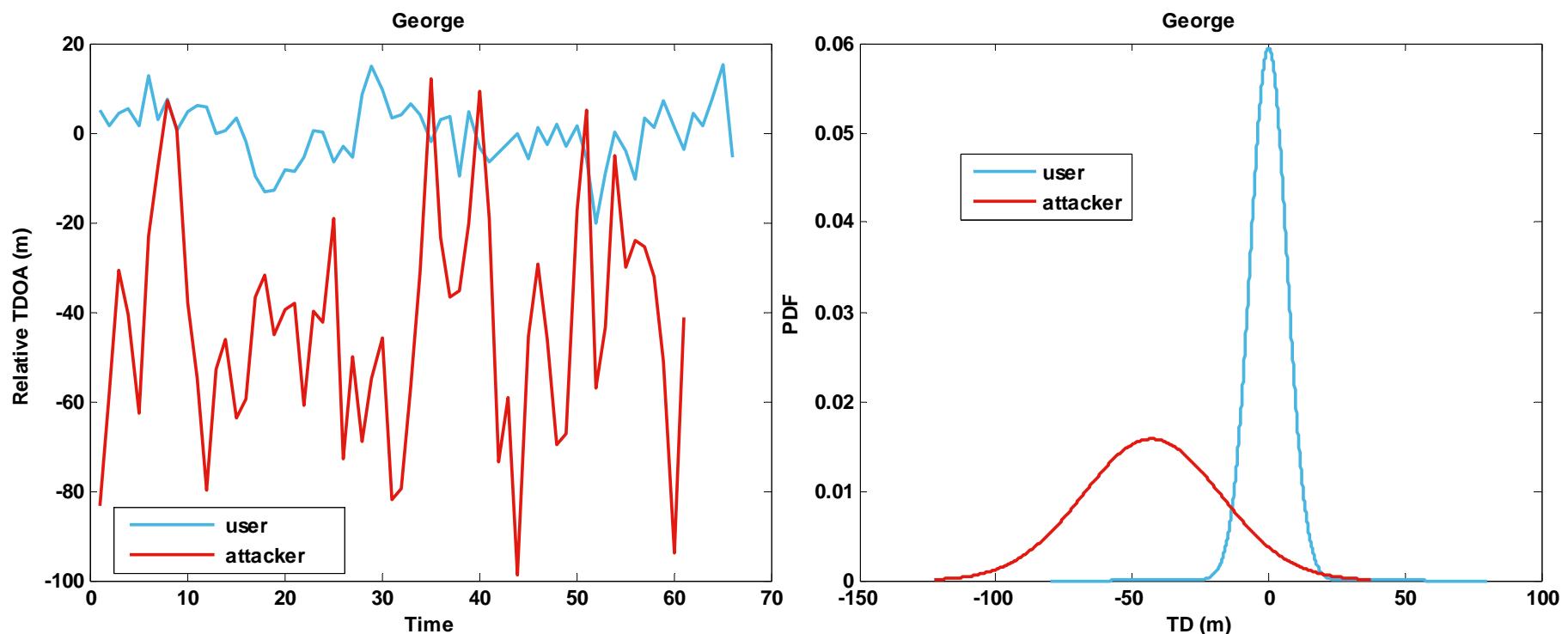


# Distribution of Quantized TDOA

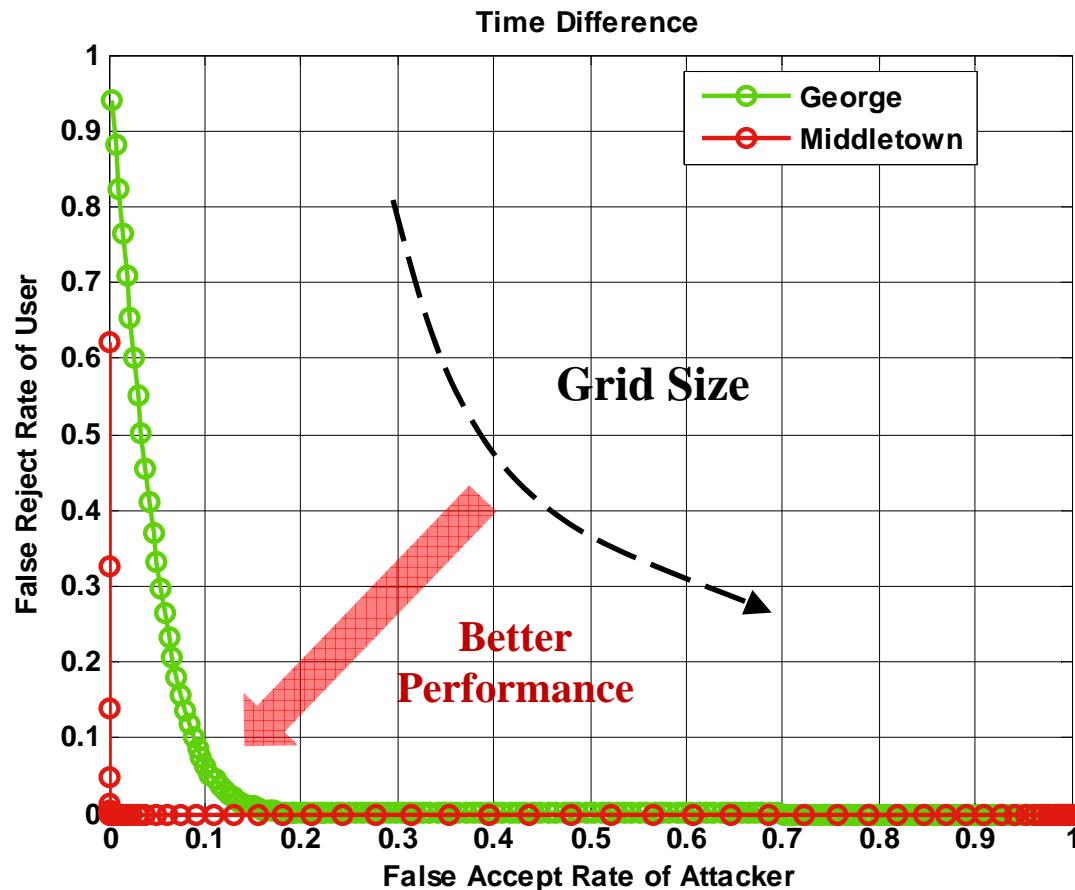
## - Grid Size 20m, Station George



# PDF

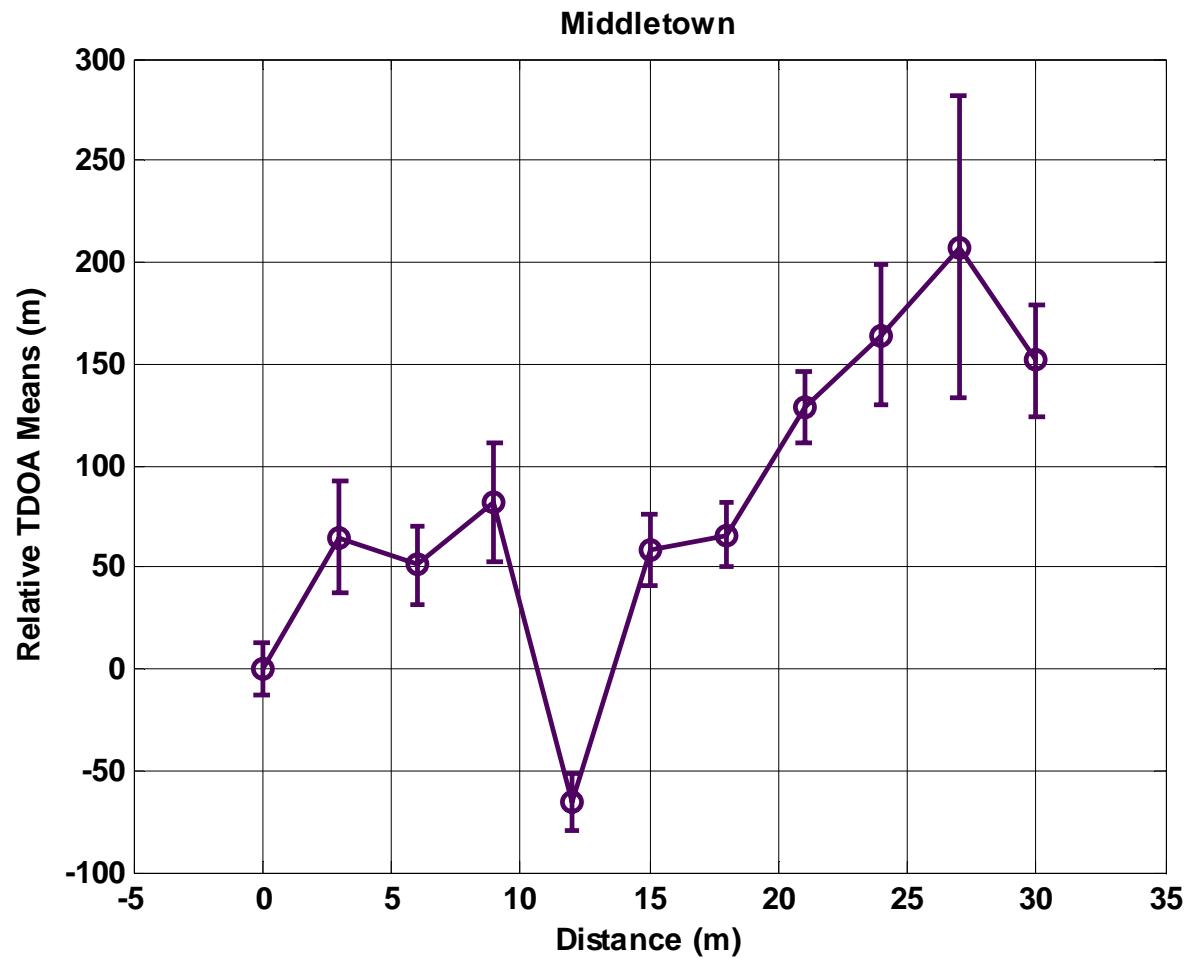


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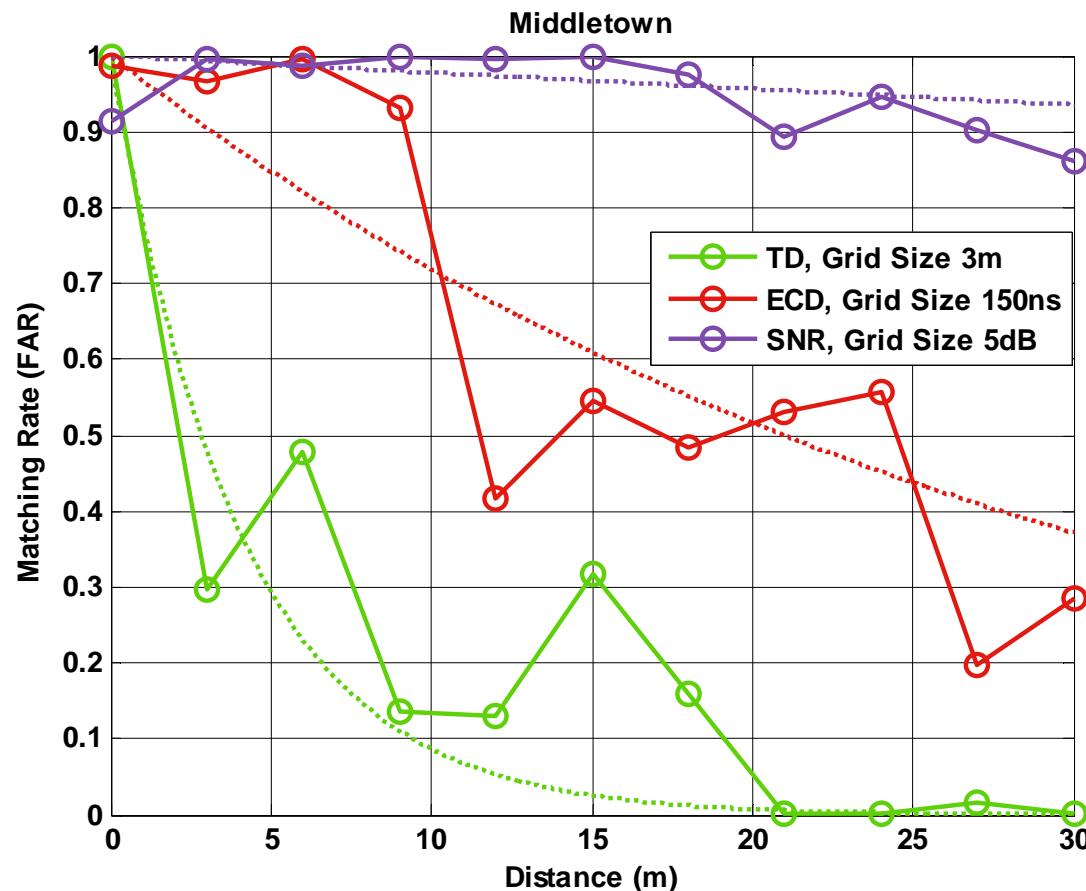
# TDOA Measurements

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# Decorrelation Distances

## - Different Parameters



# Relative Entropies

