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#### **Explosion Source Localization Using Smartphones**

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### >> Introduction and Motivation

- Big picture, what are the underlying reasons for the work?
  - Estimate the location of explosions
    - Utilizing a smartphone sensor network
- What is the fundamental problem you are trying to solve?
  - > Can a smartphone sensor array be used to estimate the location of an explosion?
    - Timing and Location Accuracy







#### Mission Relevance

- How does this work, and the problem you are trying to solve, relate to the NNSA mission?
  - > Explosion detection and source localization is a vital part of non-proliferation monitoring.
  - > Utilizing smartphones as a ubiquitous sensors network.









### >> The Explosions and Sensors

- 3 explosion events
  - ➤ Fuel Air Explosive (6.35 kg)
  - Three Simultaneous Detonations (2.72 kg)
  - One Detonation (3.63 kg)
- Source within 100 meters of all events









East from Reference (km)



## **The waveforms – FAE**







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#### **The waveforms – 3 detonations**







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### **The waveforms – 1 detonation**









### Multilateration (Hyperbolic Positioning)

- Method of determining the location of a source
  - Utilizes the Time Difference of Arrival (TDoA)
  - Uses systems of hyperbolas between sensors
  - Minimum of 3 necessary for 2D multilateration
  - Chose point where hyperbolas overlap
- Calculate for each 3 sensor pairs
  > 9 smartphones = 84 combinations



https://www.andrews.edu/~rwright/Precalculus-RLW/Text/07-04.html







# Multilateration Plots





# **Vetting of the Estimates**

- Inverse Distance Law
  - Check 3 closest smartphones' sensor magnitudes
  - Phone 23 / Phone 22
    - Microphone (2.00, 2.08, 2.14)
    - > Barometer (2.18, 1.36, 2.54)
  - Phone 23 / Phone 24
    - Microphone (4.20, 3.96, 3.39)
    - ➢ Barometer (2.97, 1.71, 2.85)
- Apollonius' definition of a circle
  - Constant distance ratio between two points
  - When ration is greater or less than 1



















# **ETI** Impact

- What is the impact of the ETI on your development?
  - Internship with Idaho National Laboratory
    - Data Collection of Explosions
    - Designs of the techniques for sensor deployments



• Personnel transitions: Plans for future relationship with national labs

Continued relation for Data Collections

- Idaho National Laboratory
- Nevada National Security Site
- Technology transitions

> Applying Multilateration Methods to other sets of explosion data







#### Conclusion and Future Work

- Quantitatively summarize the main results
  - > Multilateration with Smartphone Sensor Networks to determine location of explosions.
  - >95% confidence ellipses of 200~400 meters
  - > Majority of estimates within 100 meters of source
- Provide concluding statements that interpret what the data mean in context of the NNSA mission

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- Smartphone Sensor Networks can be used as part of the arsenal of monitoring techniques for non-proliferation.
- Paper in Progress









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