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Dimensional Reduction Analysis for Physical Layer Device Fingerprints with Application to ZigBee and Z-Wave Devices



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Problem Statement



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**Investigate Suitability of p-
Values and Test Statistic Based
Dimensional Reduction Analysis
(DRA) Methods for Device
Fingerprinting Using Radio
Frequency Distinct Native
Attribute (RF-DNA) Features.**



Background

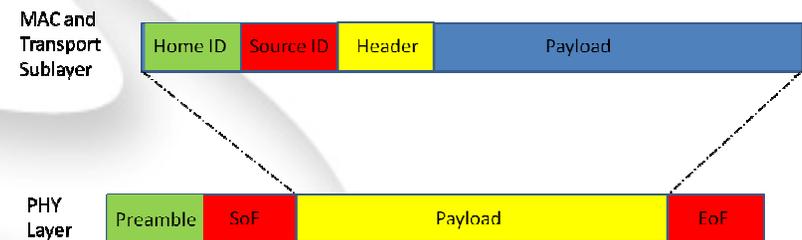
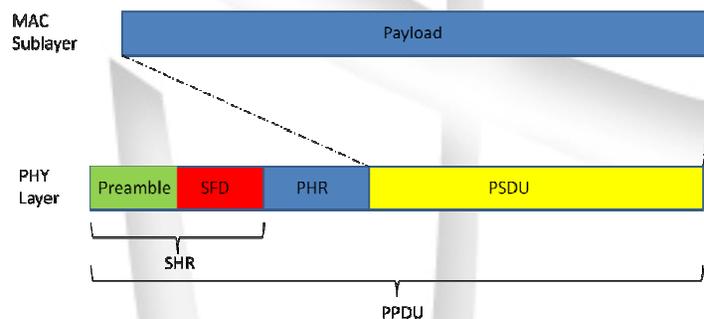
ZigBee & Z-Wave Devices



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	ZigBee	Z-Wave
Standard	IEEE	Proprietary
Frequency	2.4 GHz	906 MHz
Bit Rate	250 Kbits/s	40 Kbits/s
Security	IEEE 802.15.4 Standard	None: 200 and 300 Series AES 128: 400 Series
Latency	50 to 100 mSec	~1000 mSec
Range	10 to 100 m	30 to 100 m
Message Size (Bytes)	127 (max)	64 (max)





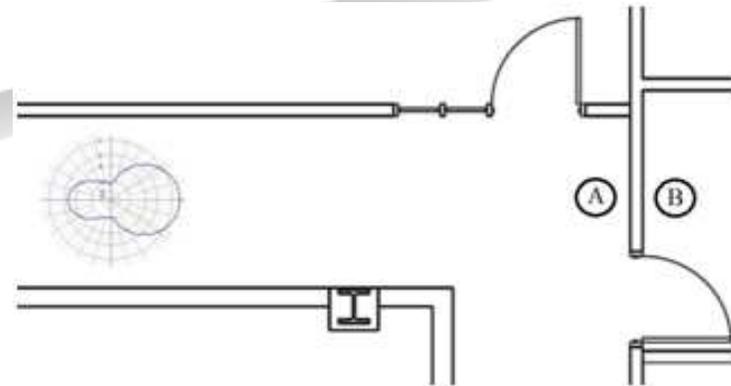
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ZigBee Emission Processing [2, 13, 14]



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- **Experimentally Collected ZigBee Emissions**
 - 10 Like-Model Devices
- **Collection Environments**
 - CAGE – Anechoic Chamber
 - LOS – Hallway Line-of-Sight (LOS)
 - WALL – Through Wall Propagation
- **Authorized Devices**
 - Emissions Collected in CAGE, LOS, & WALL for 4 of 10 Devs (Dev 1 – Dev 4)
 - $N_C = 4$ Like-Model Auth Devs, Different Ser #s
- **Rogue Devices**
 - $N_{Rog} = 9$ Like-Model Rogue Devs, Different Ser #s (Dev 5 – Dev 10)
 - Emissions Collected in Selected Environments (See Table)



ZigBee Experimental Collection Setup for LOS (A) & WALL (B) Environment Emissions [19,54]

ZigBee ID	CAGE	LOS	WALL
Dev5		X	X
Dev6		X	X
Dev7		X	X
Dev8	X		
Dev9	X		
Dev10	X		

ZigBee Rogue Device ID and Collection Environments [19,54]



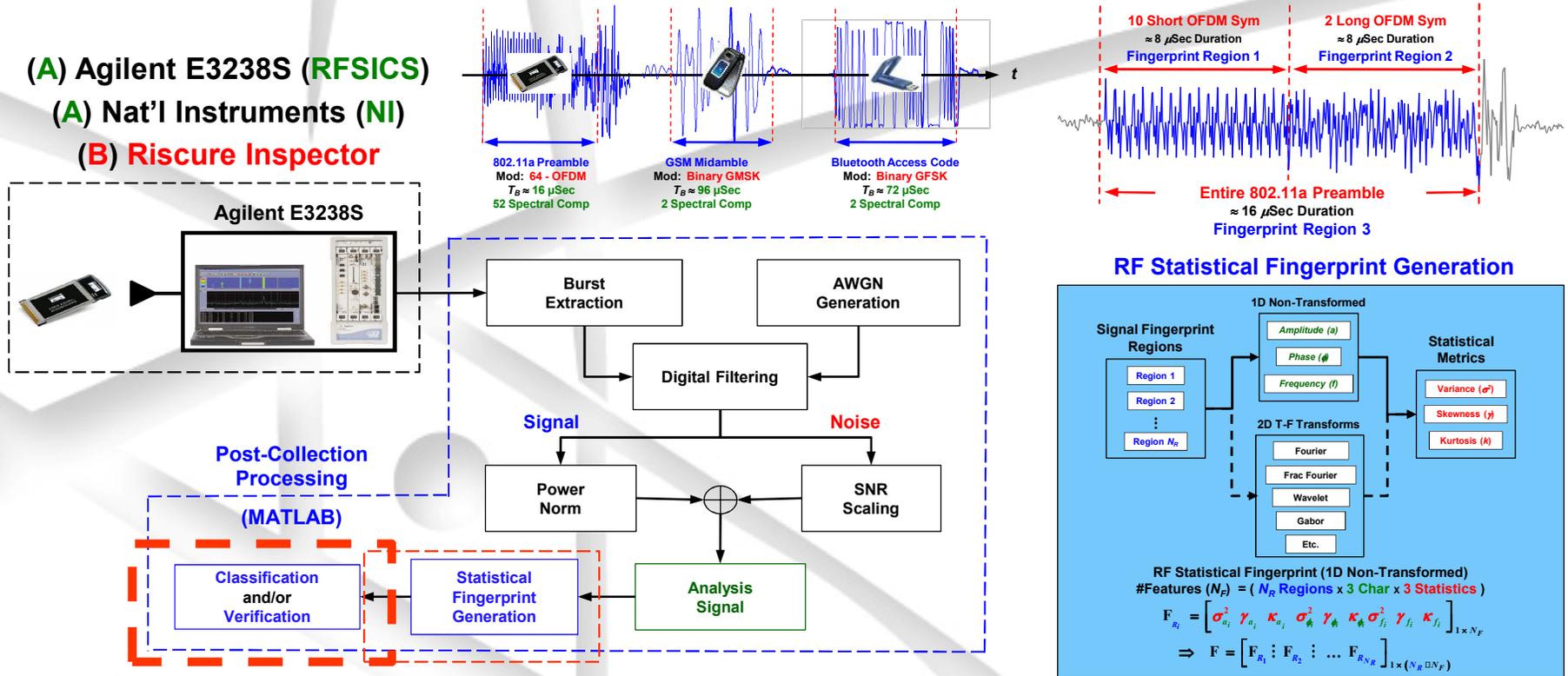
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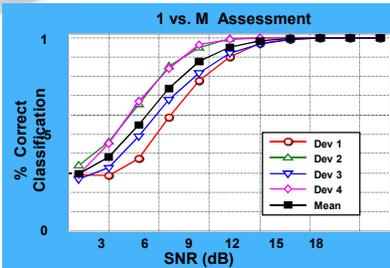
AFIT's RF-DNA Fingerprinting Process [7]

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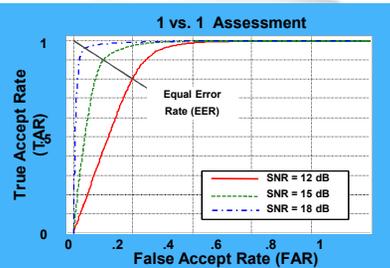
- (A) Agilent E3238S (RFSICS)
- (A) Nat'l Instruments (NI)
- (B) Riscure Inspector



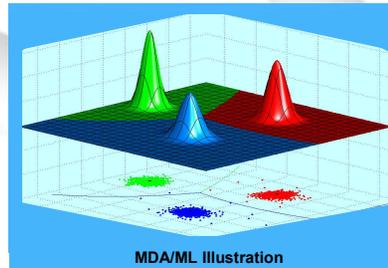
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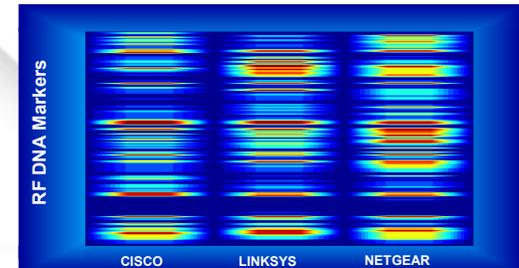
ROC Verification



Model Development



Representative Fingerprints





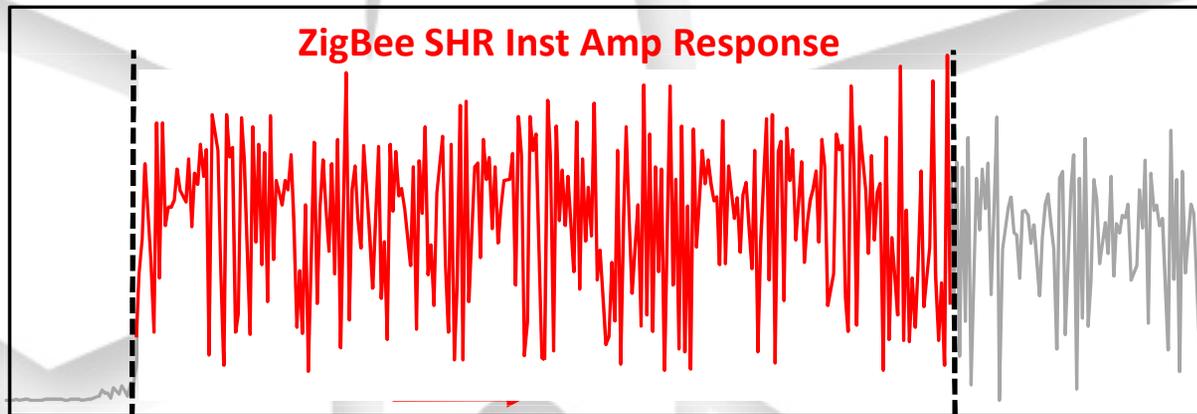
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Time Domain (TD) RF-DNA Fingerprint Generation

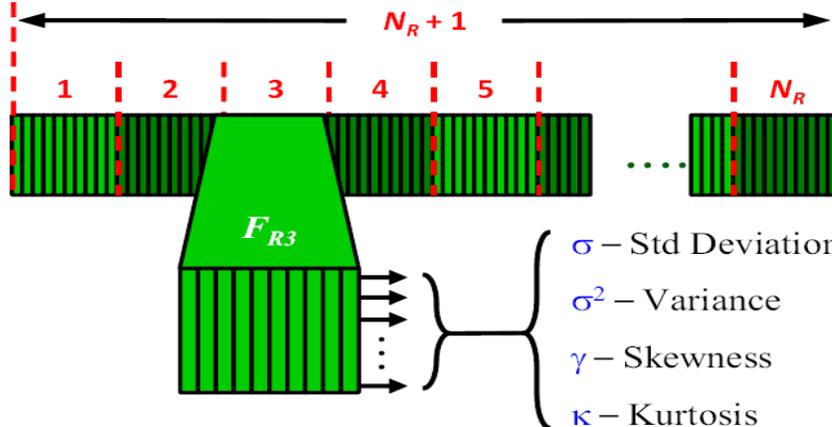


Non-Transformed Instantaneous:

- (a) Amplitude
- (b) Phase
- (c) Frequency

(U) Region of Interest (ROI)

Arbitrary Feature Sequence



$$\mathbf{F}_{R_i} = \left[\sigma_i \quad \sigma_i^2 \quad \gamma_i \quad \kappa_i \right]_{1 \times 4}^{i^{\text{th}} \text{ Region}}$$

Composite Fingerprint

$$\left[\mathbf{F}_{R_1} \quad \mathbf{F}_{R_2} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{F}_{R_{N_R}} \right]_{1 \times 4 \times N_R}$$



Fingerprints Input to Classifier Model Development



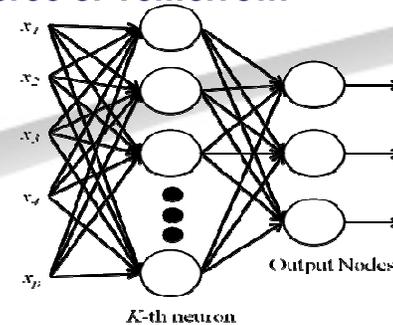
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Device Classification: GRLVQI

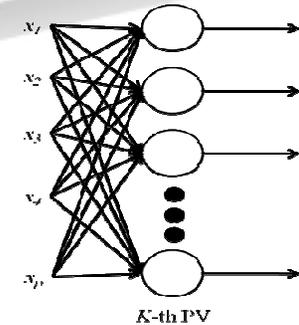


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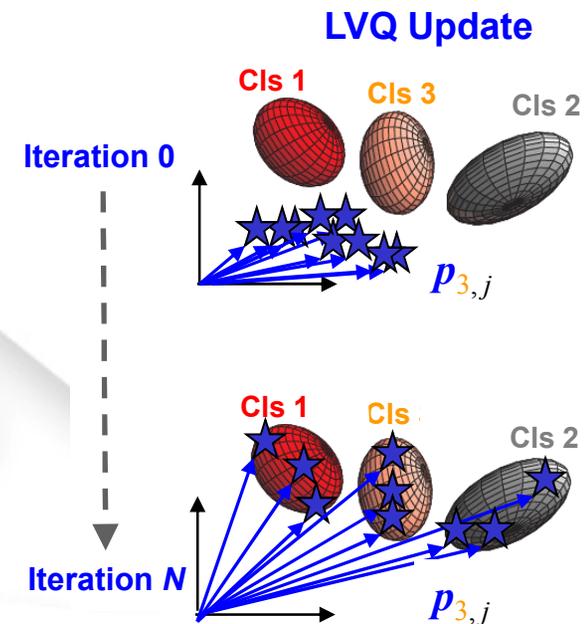
- **LVQ-Based Classifiers**
 - Gradient Descent & Prototype Vector (PV) Approach for Classification
 - Gradient = 1st Derivative of Cost Function
 - Iteratively Examines PV-to-Data Distances
 - Correctly Classified PVs ... Move Toward data
 - Incorrectly Classified PVs ... Move Away From Data
- **GRLVQI ... LVQ Extension [2, 9, 14]**
 - **G** = *Generalized* ... Sigmoidal Cost Function
 - **R** = *Relevance* ... Gradient Descent Feature Relevance Ranking
 - **I** = *Improved* ... Improved Logic, PV Freq, Add'l Learn Rate, Etc.
- **No Explicit Assumption / Knowledge** Required for Data Distribution (PDF)
 - Appropriate PV Initialization Required
 - Normal PVs \Rightarrow Standardized Data



Artificial Neural Net (ANN)



Learning Vector Quant. (LVQ)





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Dimensional Reduction Analysis (DRA)



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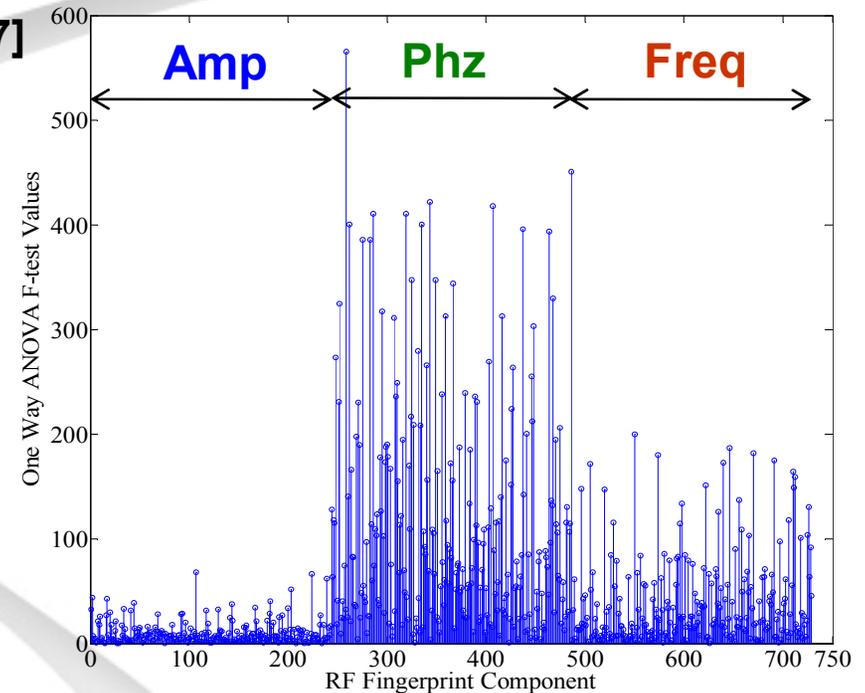
- Method #1: (**Distribution Based**): **Two Sample Kolmogorov–Smirnov (KS)** [13,14, 17]

$$KS = \max(|F_1(x) - F_2(x)|)$$

- Method #2: (**Distribution Based**): **ANOVA F-Statistics** [18]

$$F_{0(i)} = \frac{MS_{Feature(i)}}{MSE_{Model(i)}}$$

- Method #3: (**Classifier Based**) **GRLVQI Relevance** [9]
- Method #4: **Dimensionality Assessment** [18, 21]



Amplitude (a) : ZigBee Feats #1 - #243

Phase (ϕ) : ZigBee Feats #244 - #486

Frequency (f) : ZigBee Feats #487 - #729



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DRA: Dimensionality Assessment



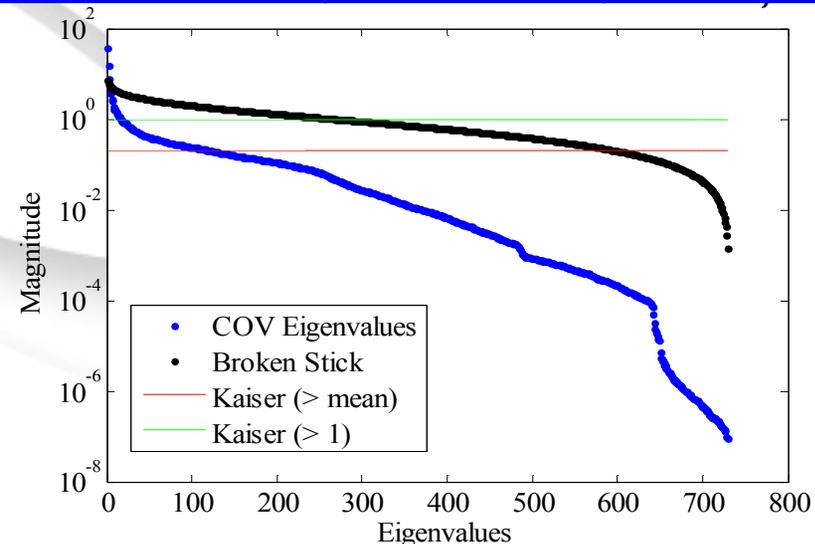
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- Selecting quantity of features in subsets non-trivial
- **Qualitative DRA**
 - Previously Considered [13,14]
 - $N_{DRA, ZigBee} = [25, 50, 243]$
- **Quantitative DRA**
 - Introduced Here
 - Removes Subjectively
 - Intrinsic Data Dimensionality
- **P-value and Data Eigenvalue methods considered**
 - P-values Overestimate Required N_{DRA}
 - Data Eigenvalue Methods Yield N_{DRA} Consistent with Prior Work
 - $N_{DRA, ZigBee} = [17, 123]$
 - $N_{DRA, Z-wave} = [7, 34]$

ZigBee Dimensionality Assessment by Significance Level

SNR (dB)	METHOD	SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL			
		0.1%	1%	5%	10%
0	F-TEST	196	264	350	402
	KS-TEST (Σ P-VALUES)	37	74	130	160
10	F-TEST	589	639	674	688
	KS-TEST (Σ P-VALUES)	337	414	512	557
18	F-TEST	706	713	720	722
	KS-TEST (Σ P-VALUES)	666	692	711	716
30	F-TEST	718	725	727	728
	KS-TEST (Σ P-VALUES)	727	729	729	729

ZigBee Dimensionality Assessment by COV Eigenvalues





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DRA: Test Statistics vs p-Values

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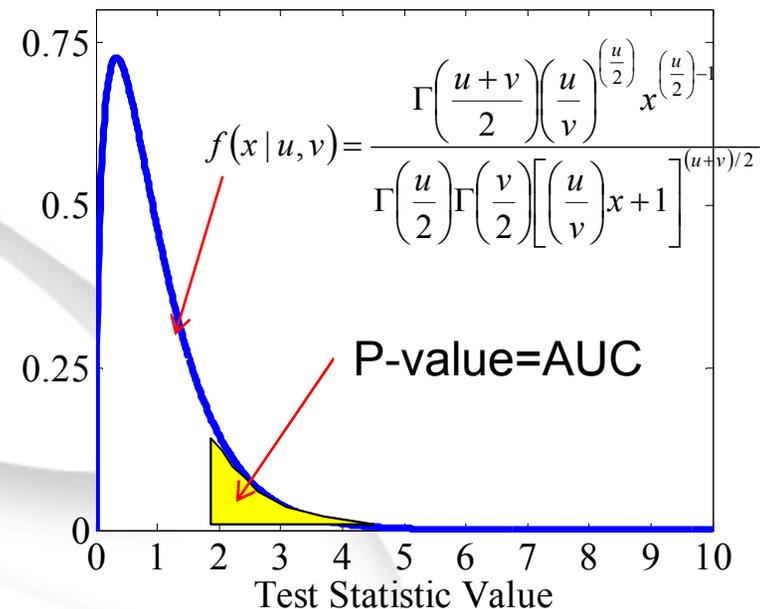
- **Recent RF-DNA DRA Research Focused on p-values for feature relevance ranking** [1, 2, 13-14, 28-29]
 - **Test Statistic to p-Value Conversion Req'd**
- **Computing Test Statistic Values**
 - **Ratio between quantities or a simple relationship**
- **Test Statistics vs. P-Values**
 - **p-Values Represent Area Under a Probability Curve**
- **Computing p-Values Requires** [26]
 1. **Stated Hypothesis Test**
 2. **Test Statistic Value**
 3. **Degrees of Freedom**
 4. **Distributional Assumption**
 5. **Reference Distribution**

(Not all are always considered / stated in DRA, e.g. [1, 2, 13, 14])

- **The mapping between test statistic and p-value is typically nonlinear**
- **Simple F-Test Stat.** [18]

$$F_{0(i)} = \frac{MS_{Feature(i)}}{MSE_{Model(i)}}$$

- **Complicated F-Test p-value** [18]



- **The KS-test involves a similar nonlinear mapping** [17]



Methodology



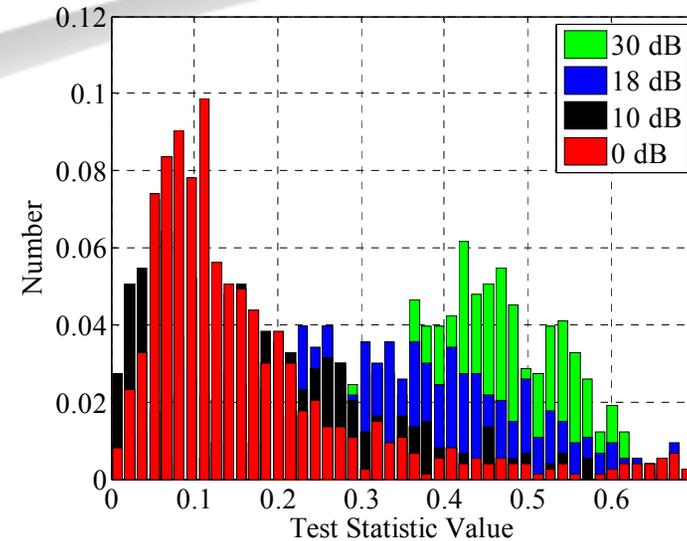
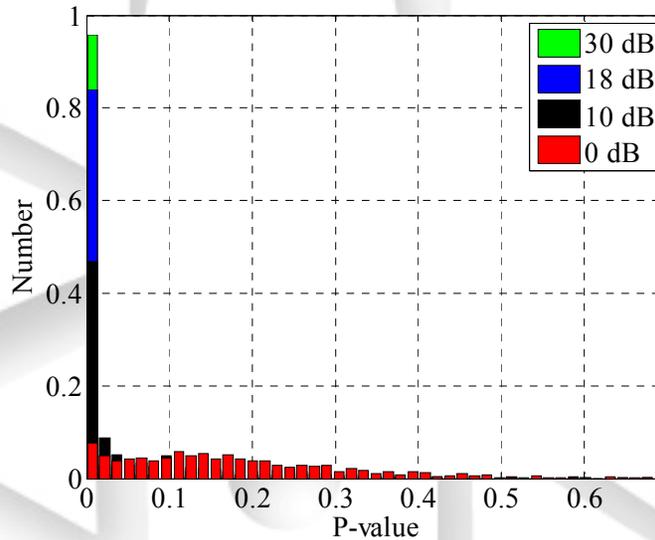
ZigBee DRA: Test Statistics vs P-Values

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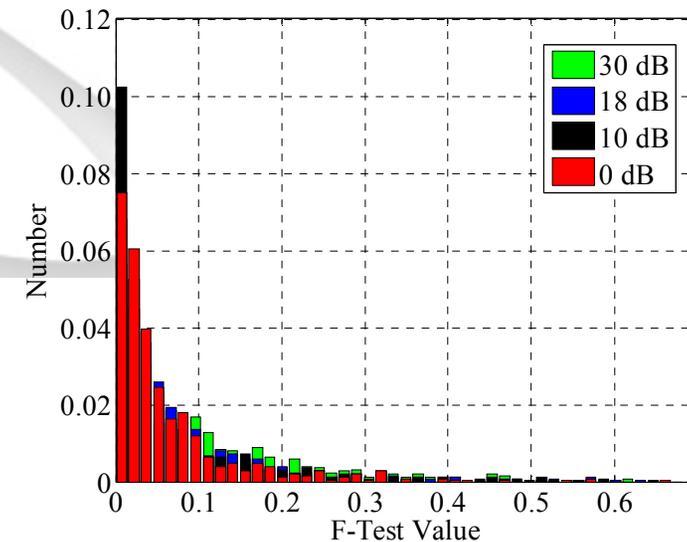
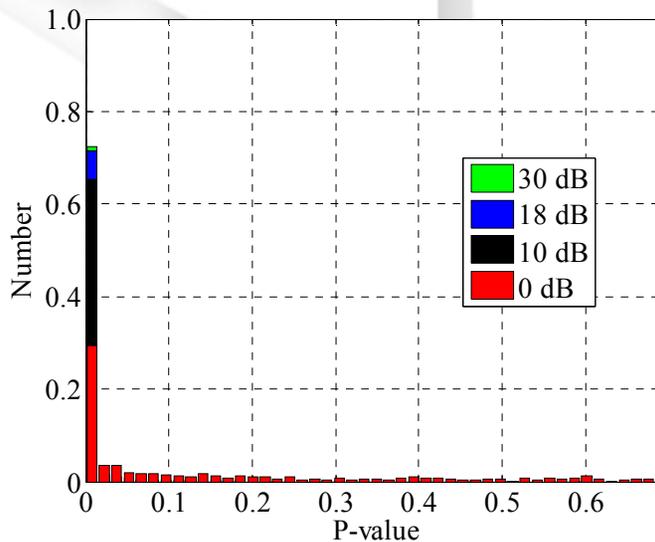
p-values

Test Statistic Values

KS-test



F-test





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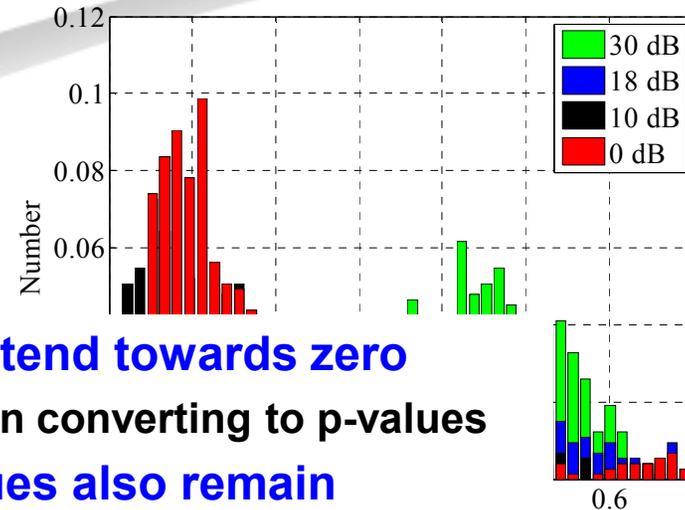
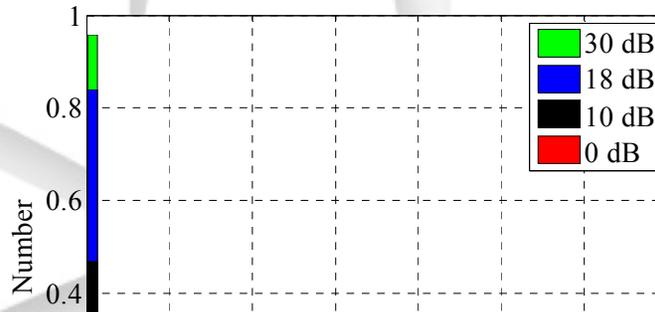
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p-values

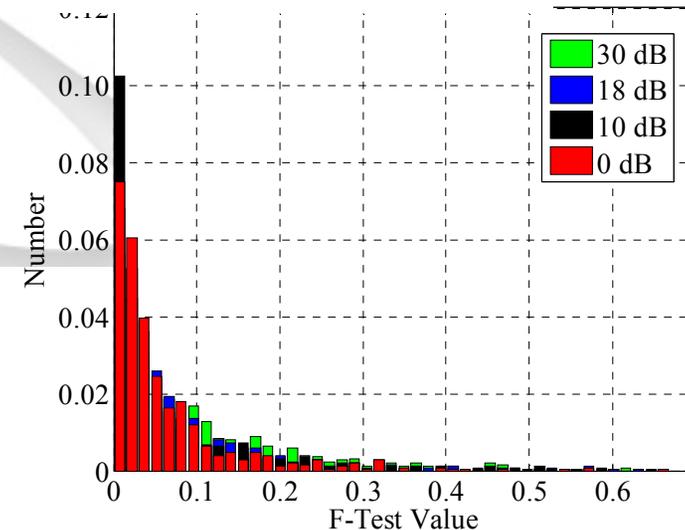
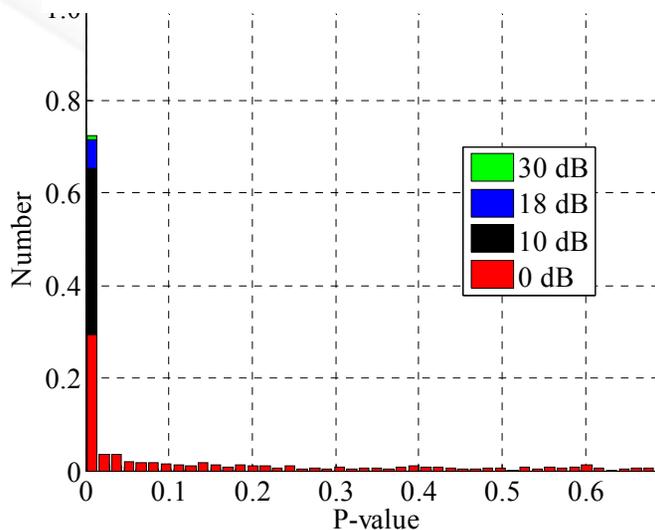
Test Statistic Values

KS-test



- **With large datasets, p-values tend towards zero**
 - Hence resolution is lost when converting to p-values
- **Interpretation/procedural issues also remain**
 - How to compare and rank equivalent values?

F-test





Results

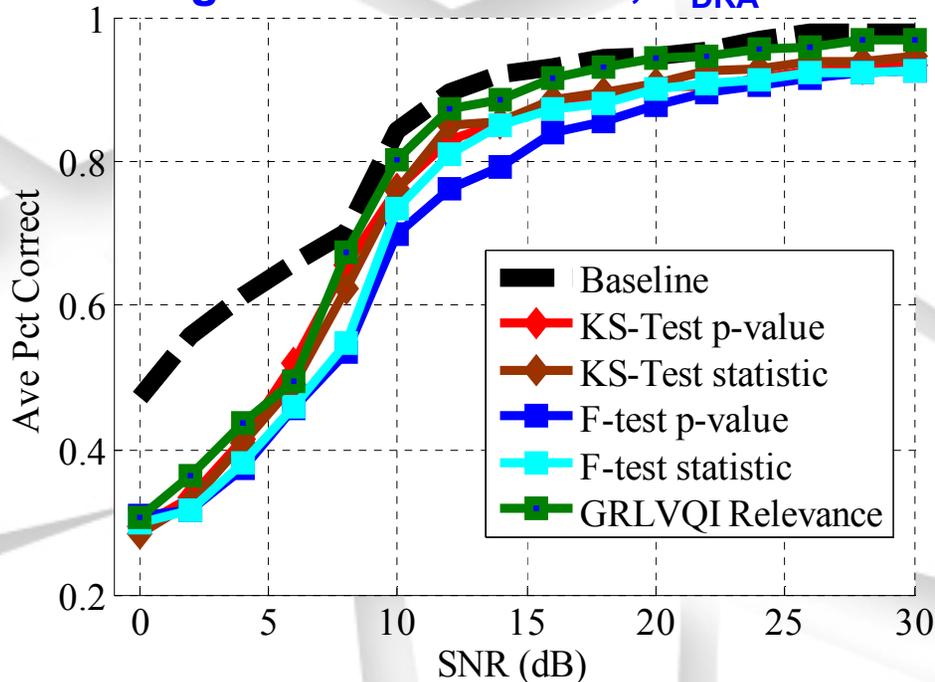


Device Classification: ZigBee & Z-Wave

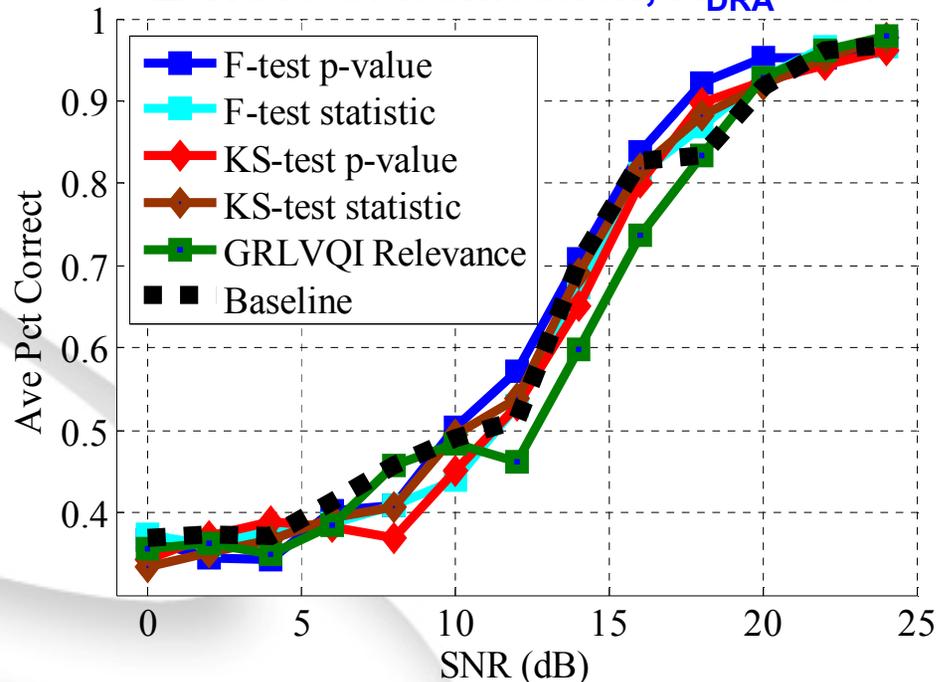
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- Test statistic methods offer comparable or better performance to p -value based methods

ZigBee Classification, $N_{DRA} = 17$



Z-Wave Classification, $N_{DRA} = 34$





Results



Device ID Verification: ZigBee

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- Based on “one vs one” claimed identity scenarios
- Presented as:
 - %TVR = True Verification Rate
 - %RRR = Rogue Rejection Rate
 - Bold Entry - Best or Statistically Equivalent Performance

DRA METHOD	KS TEST STATISTIC			KS Σ P-VALUE		
N_F	17	50	123	17	50	123
TVR	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RRR	8.33%	8.33%	0%	52.8%	2.78%	0%
DRA METHOD	F TEST STATISTIC			F TEST P-VALUE		
N_F	17	50	123	17	50	123
TVR	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%
RRR	8.33%	5.56%	0%	38.9%	19.4%	0%
DRA METHOD	GRLVQI					
N_F	17	50	123			
TVR	25%	50%	50%			
RRR	52.8%	66.7%	72.2%			



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- **Distribution-based DRA offers poor verification performance with non-linear GRLVQI classifier**

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Conclusions & Future Work



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Conclusions

- Introduction of F-test for DRA in RF Fingerprinting
- Test Statistic Methods vs P -values
 - P -values Susceptible to Converge on 0 [26]
 - Test Statistic DRA Offers Robustness
- Introduction Quantitative Dimensionality Assessment
 - $N_{DRA} = 123$ (quantitative) better than $N_{DRA} = 243$ (qualitative) of [14]
- Comparison of 5 DRA Methods for RF Fingerprinting
- First Look RF-DNA Fingerprinting Using Z-Wave Devices

Future Work

- Expand Z-Wave Assessments to Include Rogue Devices
- Reevaluate with an MDA-based classifier



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